

4.6. RECIPROCAL-SPACE IMAGES OF APERIODIC CRYSTALS

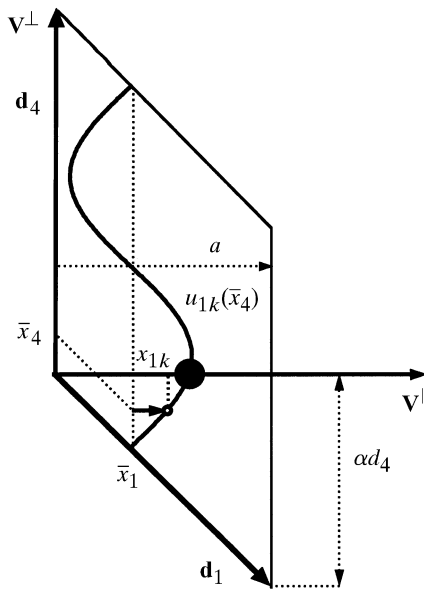


Fig. 4.6.3.2. The relationships between the coordinates x_{1k} , x_{4k} , \bar{x}_1 , \bar{x}_4 and the modulation function u_{1k} in a special section of the $(3+d)$ D space.

$$u_{ik}(\bar{x}_4, \dots, \bar{x}_{3+d}) = \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_d=1}^{\infty} \left\{ {}^u C_{ik}^{n_1 \dots n_d} \cos[2\pi(n_1 \bar{x}_4 + \dots + n_d \bar{x}_{3+d})] + {}^u S_{ik}^{n_1 \dots n_d} \sin[2\pi(n_1 \bar{x}_4 + \dots + n_d \bar{x}_{3+d})] \right\},$$

where n_j are the orders of harmonics for the j th modulation wave of the i th component of the k th atom and their amplitudes are ${}^u C_{ik}^{n_1 \dots n_d}$ and ${}^u S_{ik}^{n_1 \dots n_d}$.

Analogous expressions can be derived for a *density modulation*, i.e., the modulation of the occupation probability $p_k(\bar{x}_4, \dots, \bar{x}_{3+d})$:

$$p_k(\bar{x}_4, \dots, \bar{x}_{3+d}) = \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_d=1}^{\infty} \left\{ {}^p C_k^{n_1 \dots n_d} \cos[2\pi(n_1 \bar{x}_4 + \dots + n_d \bar{x}_{3+d})] + {}^p S_k^{n_1 \dots n_d} \sin[2\pi(n_1 \bar{x}_4 + \dots + n_d \bar{x}_{3+d})] \right\},$$

and for the modulation of the tensor of thermal parameters $B_{ijk}(\bar{x}_4, \dots, \bar{x}_{3+d})$:

$$B_{ijk}(\bar{x}_4, \dots, \bar{x}_{3+d}) = \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_d=1}^{\infty} \left\{ {}^B C_{ijk}^{n_1 \dots n_d} \cos[2\pi(n_1 \bar{x}_4 + \dots + n_d \bar{x}_{3+d})] + {}^B S_{ijk}^{n_1 \dots n_d} \sin[2\pi(n_1 \bar{x}_4 + \dots + n_d \bar{x}_{3+d})] \right\}.$$

The resulting structure-factor formula is

$$F(\mathbf{H}) = \sum_{k=1}^{N'} \sum_{(R, \mathbf{t})} \int_0^1 d\bar{x}_{4,k} \dots \int_0^1 d\bar{x}_{3+d,k} f_k(\mathbf{H}^{\parallel}) p_k \times \exp \left(- \sum_{i,j=1}^{3+d} h_i [R B_{ijk} R^T] h_j + 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^{3+d} h_j R x_{jk} + h_j t_j \right)$$

for summing over the set (R, \mathbf{t}) of superspace symmetry operations and the set of N' atoms in the asymmetric unit of the $(3+d)$ D unit cell (Yamamoto, 1982). Different approaches

without numerical integration based on analytical expressions including Bessel functions have also been developed. For more information see Paciorek & Chapuis (1994), Petricek, Maly & Cisarova (1991), and references therein.

For illustration, some fundamental IMSs will be discussed briefly (see Korekawa, 1967; Böhm, 1977).

Harmonic density modulation. A harmonic density modulation can result on average from an ordered distribution of vacancies on atomic positions. For an IMS with N atoms per unit cell one obtains for a harmonic modulation of the occupancy factor

$$p_k = (p_k^0/2) \{1 + \cos[2\pi(\bar{x}_{4,k} + \varphi_k)]\}, \quad 0 \leq p_k^0 \leq 1,$$

the structure-factor formula for the m th order satellite ($0 \leq m \leq 1$)

$$F_0(\mathbf{H}) = (1/2) \sum_{k=1}^N f_k(\mathbf{H}^{\parallel}) T_k(\mathbf{H}^{\parallel}) \exp(2\pi i \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{r}_k),$$

$$F_m(\mathbf{H}) = (1/2) \sum_{k=1}^N f_k(\mathbf{H}^{\parallel}) T_k(\mathbf{H}^{\parallel}) (p_k^0/2)^{|m|} \exp \left[2\pi i \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 h_i x_{ik} + m \varphi_k \right) \right].$$

Thus, a linear correspondence exists between the structure-factor magnitudes of the satellite reflections and the amplitude of the density modulation. Furthermore, only first-order satellites exist, since the modulation wave consists only of one term. An important criterion for the existence of a density modulation is that a pair of satellites around the origin of the reciprocal lattice exists (Fig. 4.6.3.3).

Symmetric rectangular density modulation. The box-function-like modulated occupancy factor can be expanded into a Fourier series,

$$p_k = p_k^0 (4/\pi) \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(-1)^{n+1} / (2n-1)] \cos[2\pi(2n-1)(\bar{x}_{4,k} + \varphi_k)] \right\}, \quad 0 \leq p_k^0 \leq 1,$$

and the resulting structure factor of the m th order satellite is

$$F_0(\mathbf{H}) = (1/2) \sum_{k=1}^N f_k(\mathbf{H}^{\parallel}) T_k(\mathbf{H}^{\parallel}) \exp \left(2\pi i \sum_{i=1}^3 h_i x_{ik} \right),$$

$$F_m(\mathbf{H}) = (1/\pi m) \sin(m\pi/2) \sum_{k=1}^N f_k(\mathbf{H}^{\parallel}) T_k(\mathbf{H}^{\parallel}) p_k^0 \times \exp \left[2\pi i \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 h_i x_{ik} + m \varphi_k \right) \right].$$

According to this formula, only odd-order satellites occur in the diffraction pattern. Their structure-factor magnitudes decrease linearly with the order $|m|$ (Fig. 4.6.3.3b).

Harmonic displacive modulation. The displacement of the atomic coordinates is given by the function

$$x_{ik} = x_{ik}^0 + A_{ik} \cos[2\pi(\bar{x}_{4,k} + \varphi_k)], \quad i = 1, \dots, 3,$$

and the structure factor by