2. RECIPROCAL SPACE IN CRYSTAL-STRUCTURE DETERMINATION



Fig. 2.3.6.1. Shape of the interference function *G* for a spherical envelope of radius *R* at a distance *H* from the reciprocal-space origin. [Reprinted from Rossmann & Blow (1962).]

quite small. Indeed, all terms with HR > 1 might well be neglected. Thus, in general, the only terms that need be considered are those where $-\mathbf{h}'$ is within one lattice point of \mathbf{h} . However, in dealing with a small molecular fragment for which *R* is small compared to the unit-cell dimensions, more reciprocal-lattice points must be included for the summation over \mathbf{p} in the rotation-function expression (2.3.6.3).

In practice, the equation

$$\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{h}' = 0,$$

that is

$$[\boldsymbol{C}^T]\mathbf{p} = -\mathbf{h}$$

or

$$\mathbf{p} = [\mathbf{C}^T]^{-1}(-\mathbf{h}), \qquad (2.3.6.5)$$

determines **p**, given a set of Miller indices **h**. This will give a nonintegral set of Miller indices. The terms included in the inner summation of (2.3.6.3) will be integral values of **p** around the nonintegral lattice point found by solving (2.3.6.5).

Details of the conventional program were given by Tollin & Rossmann (1966) and follow the principles outlined above. They discussed various strategies as to which crystal should be used to calculate the first (**h**) and second (**p**) Patterson. Rossmann & Blow (1962) noted that the factor $\sum_{\mathbf{p}} |\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{p}}|^2 G_{\mathbf{h}\mathbf{p}}$ in expression (2.3.6.3) represents an interpolation of the squared transform of the self-Patterson of the second (**p**) crystal. Thus, the rotation function is a sum of the products of the two molecular transforms taken over all the **h** reciprocal-lattice points. Lattman & Love (1970) therefore computed the molecular transform explicitly and stored it in the computer, sampling it as required by the rotation operation. A discussion on the suitable choice of variables in the computation of rotation functions has been given by Lifchitz (1983).

2.3.6.2. Matrix algebra

The initial step in the rotation-function procedure involves the orthogonalization of both crystal systems. Thus, if fractional coordinates in the first crystal system are represented by \mathbf{x} , these can be orthogonalized by a matrix [β] to give the coordinates \mathbf{X} in units of length (Fig. 2.3.6.2); that is,

$$\mathbf{X} = [\boldsymbol{\beta}]\mathbf{x}.$$

If the point \mathbf{X} is rotated to the point \mathbf{X}' , then



Fig. 2.3.6.2. Relationships of the orthogonal axes X_1, X_2, X_3 to the crystallographic axes a_1, a_2, a_3 . [Reprinted from Rossmann & Blow (1962).]

$$\mathbf{X}' = [\boldsymbol{\rho}]\mathbf{X},\tag{2.3.6.6}$$

where ρ represents the rotation matrix relating the two vectors in the orthogonal system. Finally, **X**' is converted back to fractional coordinates measured along the oblique cell dimension in the second crystal by

$$\mathbf{x}' = [\boldsymbol{\alpha}]\mathbf{X}'$$

Thus, by substitution,

$$\mathbf{x}' = [\boldsymbol{\alpha}][\boldsymbol{\rho}]\mathbf{X} = [\boldsymbol{\alpha}][\boldsymbol{\rho}][\boldsymbol{\beta}]\mathbf{x}, \qquad (2.3.6.7)$$

and by comparison with (2.3.6.2) it follows that

 $[C] = [\alpha][\rho][\beta].$

Fig. 2.3.6.2 shows the mode of orthogonalization used by Rossmann & Blow (1962). With their definition it can be shown that

$$[\boldsymbol{\alpha}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1/(a_1 \sin \alpha_3 \sin \omega) & 0 & 0\\ 1/(a_2 \tan \alpha_1 \tan \omega) & 1/a_2 & -1/(a_2 \tan \alpha_1)\\ -1/(a_2 \tan \alpha_3 \sin \omega) & \\ -1/(a_3 \sin \alpha_1 \tan \omega) & 0 & 1/(a_3 \sin \alpha_1) \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$[\boldsymbol{\beta}] = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \sin \alpha_3 \sin \omega & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 \cos \alpha_3 & a_2 & a_3 \cos \alpha_1 \\ a_1 \sin \alpha_3 \cos \omega & 0 & a_3 \sin \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $\cos \omega = (\cos \alpha_2 - \cos \alpha_1 \cos \alpha_3)/(\sin \alpha_1 \sin \alpha_3)$ with $0 \le \omega < \pi$. For a Patterson compared with itself, $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}] = [\boldsymbol{\beta}]^{-1}$.

Both spherical (κ, ψ, φ) and Eulerian $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$ angles are used in evaluating the rotation function. The usual definitions employed are given diagrammatically in Figs. 2.3.6.3 and 2.3.6.4. They give rise to the following rotation matrices.

(a) Matrix $[\rho]$ in terms of Eulerian angles $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\sin\theta_1\cos\theta_2\sin\theta_3 & \cos\theta_1\cos\theta_2\sin\theta_3 & \sin\theta_2\sin\theta_3 \\ +\cos\theta_1\cos\theta_3 & +\sin\theta_1\cos\theta_3 \\ -\sin\theta_1\cos\theta_2\cos\theta_3 & \cos\theta_1\cos\theta_2\cos\theta_3 & \sin\theta_2\cos\theta_3 \\ -\cos\theta_1\sin\theta_3 & -\sin\theta_1\sin\theta_3 \\ \sin\theta_1\sin\theta_2 & -\cos\theta_1\sin\theta_2 & \cos\theta_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and (b) matrix $[\rho]$ in terms of rotation angle κ and the spherical polar coordinates ψ , φ :



Fig. 2.3.6.3. Eulerian angles $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$ relating the rotated axes X'_1, X'_2, X'_3 to the original unrotated orthogonal axes X_1, X_2, X_3 . [Reprinted from Rossmann & Blow (1962).]

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \kappa + \sin^2 \psi \cos^2 \varphi (1 - \cos \kappa) & \sin \psi \cos \psi \cos \varphi (1 - \cos \kappa) \\ & + \sin \psi \sin \varphi \sin \kappa \\ \sin \psi \cos \psi \cos \varphi (1 - \cos \kappa) & \cos \kappa + \cos^2 \psi (1 - \cos \kappa) \\ & - \sin \psi \sin \varphi \sin \kappa \\ - \sin^2 \psi \sin \varphi \cos \varphi (1 - \cos \kappa) & - \sin \psi \cos \psi \sin \varphi (1 - \cos \kappa) \\ & - \cos \psi \sin \kappa & + \sin \psi \cos \varphi \sin \kappa \\ & - \sin^2 \psi \cos \varphi \sin \varphi (1 - \cos \kappa) \\ & + \cos \psi \sin \kappa \\ & - \sin \psi \cos \varphi \sin \kappa \\ & - \sin \psi \cos \varphi \sin \kappa \\ & - \sin \psi \cos \varphi \sin \kappa \\ & - \sin \psi \cos \varphi \sin \kappa \\ & \cos \kappa + \sin^2 \psi \sin^2 \varphi (1 - \cos \kappa) \end{pmatrix}$$

Alternatively, (b) can be expressed as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \kappa + u^2 (1 - \cos \kappa) & uv(1 - \cos \kappa) - w \sin \kappa \\ vu(1 - \cos \kappa) + w \sin \kappa & \cos \kappa + v^2 (1 - \cos \kappa) \\ wu(1 - \cos \kappa) - v \sin \kappa & wv(1 - \cos \kappa) + u \sin \kappa \\ & uw(1 - \cos \kappa) + v \sin \kappa \\ & uw(1 - \cos \kappa) - u \sin \kappa \\ & \cos \kappa + w^2 (1 - \cos \kappa) \end{pmatrix},$$

where u, v and w are the direction cosines of the rotation axis given by

$$u = \sin \psi \cos \varphi,$$

$$v = \cos \psi,$$

$$w = -\sin \psi \sin \varphi.$$

This latter form also demonstrates that the trace of a rotation matrix is $2\cos \kappa + 1$.

The relationship between the two sets of variables established by comparison of the elements of the two matrices yields



Fig. 2.3.6.4. Variables ψ and φ are polar coordinates which specify a direction about which the axes may be rotated through an angle κ . [Reprinted from Rossmann & Blow (1962).]

$$\cos(\kappa/2) = \cos(\theta_2/2)\cos\left(\frac{\theta_1 + \theta_3}{2}\right),$$
$$\tan \varphi = -\cot(\theta_2/2)\sin\left(\frac{\theta_1 + \theta_3}{2}\right) \sec\left(\frac{\theta_1 - \theta_3}{2}\right),$$
$$\cos \varphi \tan \psi = \cot\left(\frac{\theta_1 - \theta_3}{2}\right).$$

Since φ and ψ can always be chosen in the range 0 to π , these equations suffice to find (κ, ψ, φ) from any set $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$.

2.3.6.3. Symmetry

In analogy with crystal lattices, the rotation function is periodic and contains symmetry. The rotation function has a cell whose periodicity is 2π in each of its three angles. This may be written as

$$R(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) \equiv R(\theta_1 + 2\pi n_1, \theta_2 + 2\pi n_2, \theta_3 + 2\pi n_3)$$

or

$$R(\kappa,\psi,\varphi) \equiv R(\kappa + 2\pi n_1,\psi + 2\pi n_2,\varphi + 2\pi n_3)$$

where n_1 , n_2 and n_3 are integers. A redundancy in the definition of either set of angles leads to the equivalence of the following points:

 $R(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) \equiv R(\theta_1 + \pi, -\theta_2, \theta_3 + \pi)$ in Eulerian space

or

$$R(\kappa, \psi, \varphi) \equiv R(\kappa, 2\pi - \psi, \varphi + \pi)$$
 in polar space.

These relationships imply an *n* glide plane perpendicular to θ_2 for Eulerian space or a φ glide plane perpendicular to ψ in polar space.

In addition, the Laue symmetry of the two Pattersons themselves must be considered. This problem was first discussed by Rossmann & Blow (1962) and later systematized by Tollin *et al.* (1966), Burdina (1970, 1971, 1973) and Rao *et al.* (1980). A closely related problem was considered by Hirshfeld (1968). The rotation function will have the same value whether the Patterson density at **X** or $[T_i]$ **X** in the first crystal is multiplied by the Patterson density at **X**' or $[T_j]$ **X**' in the second crystal. $[T_i]$ and $[T_j]$ refer to the *i*th and *j*th crystallographic rotations in the orthogonalized coordinate systems of the first and second crystal, respectively. Hence, from (2.3.6.6)

$$([\boldsymbol{T}_i]\mathbf{X}') = [\boldsymbol{\rho}]([\boldsymbol{T}_i]\mathbf{X})$$

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or