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**First-order asymmetry in the Renninger interaction of a strong primary reflection with weak beams.**By HELLMUT J. JURETSCHKE,\* *School of Physics, University of Melbourne, Parkville, Victoria 3052, Australia*

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**Abstract**

Application of perturbation theory to the modification of a strong two-beam reflection near a three-beam point involving a weak secondary reflection shows that in perfect crystals the first-order asymmetry with azimuthal angle of the integrated intensity in a Renninger scan is caused primarily by changes in absorption. The intensity is always enhanced when the third reciprocal-lattice point is outside the Ewald sphere, and thus this asymmetry does not contain any phase information.

Recent perturbation theories of  $n$ -beam X-ray interactions (Juretschke, 1982, 1984; Høier & Marthinsen, 1983) have shown that first-order asymmetries in the wings of multiple-beam-interaction regions of Renninger scans can generally be described quantitatively by introducing an effective structure factor in an otherwise unchanged two-beam formulation. For a primary reflection  $H$  coupling with  $L$ , this effective structure factor has the form ( $\sigma$  polarization)

$$F_{HL} = F_H - (k\Pi_1/2\xi_L)F_L F_{L-\bar{H}}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\xi_L$  is the distance of  $L$  from the Ewald sphere,  $\Gamma = e^2/(\epsilon_0 m \omega^2 v_{\text{cell}})$ ,  $k = \omega/c$ , and  $\Pi_1$  is a geometrical factor less than unity defined in the above references. Equation (1) has been used successfully by Juretschke (1984, 1986) to reproduce all the important structural details of the Renninger scan around  $H = 222$  in Ge reported by Nicolosi (1982) and by Post, Nicolosi & Ladell (1984). In this case considerable changes occur over large angular ranges about the  $n$ -beam points because  $F_H$  is very small compared to  $F_L$  and  $F_{L-\bar{H}}$ . Since the sign of the correction term in (1) depends on the sign of  $F_L F_{L-\bar{H}}/F_H$ , the asymmetry is sensitive to the invariant phase of this combination of structure factors.

For a strong primary reflection  $H$  interacting with a weak contributing term, such as  $H = 311$  and  $L = 222$  in the diamond structure, (1) predicts negligible changes in the Renninger scan except at very small angular deviations from the three-beam point. In such a case the leading term linear in  $1/\xi_L$ , and therefore showing asymmetry, is contained in the shift of the Lorentz point, also predicted by the above theory (Juretschke, 1984). This is expressible in a shift of  $F_o$ , such that its imaginary part becomes

$$|F_o'_{HL}| = |F_o'' - (k\Pi_1/4\xi_L)(F_L F_L + F_{L-\bar{H}} F_{L-\bar{H}})|. \quad (2)$$

Equation (2) affects integrated intensities through their absorption corrections. Thus, for a symmetric Bragg reflection

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Table 1. *Parameters for the interactions H/L = 311/222 and 311/222 in Ge(Cu K $\alpha$ )*

[Structure factors interpolated from the tables in *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1968) and from Hildebrandt, Stephenson & Wagenfeld (1973).]

$L$	222	$\bar{2}22$
$L-H$	$\bar{1}11$	$\bar{5}11$
$F'_H$	-121	-121
$F'_L$	1	1
$F'_{L-H}$	151	-90
$ F'_{L-H}/F'_{L-H} $	0.04	0.05
$\Pi_1$	0.791	0.476
$kI/2\xi_L$	0.030/ $\varphi_T$	0.019/ $\varphi_T$
Sign ( $F_L F_{L-\bar{H}}/F_H$ )	-	+

tion in a centrosymmetric crystal, such a first-order correction gives (Afanas'ev & Perstnev, 1969)

$$I_H = (8/3)(\Gamma|F_H|/\sin 2\theta_B)[1 - (3\pi/4)|F_o''/|F'_H|]. \quad (3)$$

With the assumption that  $F_L \sim 0$ , the insertion of (2) in (3) gives the leading terms in a modified integrated intensity near the three-beam point:

$$I_{HL} = I_H \{1 + (3\pi/4)(k\Pi_1/2\xi_L) \times [(F'_{L-H})^2/|F'_H|]|F'_{L-H}/F'_{L-H}|\}. \quad (4)$$

As predicted,  $I_{HL}$  is linear in  $1/\xi_L$  and therefore shows asymmetries in the intensity around the three-beam point. However, because of the squares and absolute values in (4),  $I_{HL}$  always increases when  $\xi_L > 0$ , i.e. when  $L$  is outside the Ewald sphere. In particular, the asymmetry of (4) is independent of the phase of the triplet  $F_L F_{L-\bar{H}}/F_H$ . The extension of (4) to the other polarization mode is straightforward, using the results of Juretschke (1984, 1986).

Compared to the modification of (3) due to (1), (4) predominates in the modified integrated intensity as long as

$$(3\pi/4)|F'_{L-H}/F'_L||F'_{L-H}/F'_{L-H}| \gg 1. \quad (5)$$

To give a quantitative example, the modification of  $I_{HL}/I_H$  is worked out below for the interactions of  $H = 311$  with  $L = 222$  and  $L = \bar{2}22$ , in Ge ( $\lambda = 1.541 \text{ \AA}$ ). The pertinent numerical factors for these interactions are listed in Table 1. They indicate that the left side of (5) is of the order of 10 or more, so that (4) should offer a reliable description of first-order effects.

The resulting curves for  $(I_{HL} - I_H)/I_H$  are shown in Fig. 1 for both  $L$ 's. Both have the same asymmetry, even though the phase of  $F_L F_{L-\bar{H}}/F_H$  has changed sign. The  $\bar{2}22$  curve is smaller, because of, as follows from the entries in Table 1, the difference in  $\Pi_1$  and the faster relative change of  $\xi_L$  with respect to the azimuthal rotation  $\varphi_T$  of the Renninger scan.

It is clear that the changes produced by (4) are not negligible for angular deviations of the order of a min of arc, and should be seen in experiments having the requisite angular resolution and stability. Inclusion of the 10% contributions due to (1) would enhance the 222 curves, and reduce the  $\bar{2}22$  curves, by the same factor, but without reversing the sign of the latter. Obviously, the curves in Fig. 1, which only include  $\sigma$  polarization, do not account for a finite incident beam width or for possible broadening by imperfections.

Actual experiments are, of course, also influenced by contributions of order  $(1/\xi_L)^2$  to (1), and therefore also to (3), but, since these are intrinsically symmetric in  $\varphi_T$ , they superimpose a symmetric shift on the curves of Fig. 1,

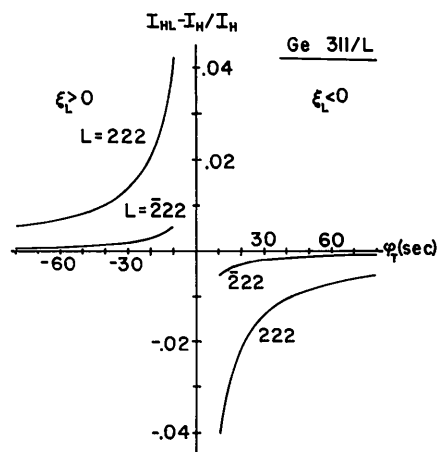


Fig. 1. Relative change of integrated intensity of the Ge 311/L interaction in a Renninger scan with azimuthal angle  $\varphi_T$ , for  $L = 222, \bar{2}22$ ,  $\lambda = 1.541 \text{ \AA}$ .  $\xi_L$  measures the distance of L from the Ewald sphere.  $\sigma$  polarization only.

without eliminating the asymmetry due to (4). First-order theory giving rise to (4) predominates in the far wings. Second-order terms will begin to contribute to Fig. 1 below about  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and much closer to the three-beam point the interaction becomes much more complex.

In conclusion, under the conditions where this analysis applies, the extraction of invariant phases in three-beam interactions when  $F_H$  is large and  $F_L$  is very small is not straightforward as long as the asymmetry of the modified absorption terms is not negligible. More generally, the extent to which phase-sensitive contributions control the observable asymmetry in any particular interaction may play a role in the discussion of experimental results under these conditions (e.g. Post & Ladell, 1985).

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**Lattice complexes and limiting complexes versus orbit types and non-characteristic orbits: a comparative discussion. Erratum.** By ELKE KOCH and WERNER FISCHER, *Institut für Mineralogie der Universität Marburg, Hans-Meerwein-Strasse, D-3550 Marburg, Federal Republic of Germany.*

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In the paper by Koch & Fischer [*Acta Cryst.* (1985), **A41**, 421-426] the words 'or more' are missing on p. 423 (left column, sixth line from bottom). The sentence should read: Then the point configurations of the intersection form

another lattice complex or, in very exceptional cases, two or more other lattice complexes (for a proof see Koch, 1974).

All information is given in the *Abstract*.