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# Scanning of two-dimensional space groups

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Tables of the scanning of two-dimensional space groups are presented to determine the frieze-group symmetry of lines that transect two-dimensional crystals. It is shown how these tables can be used to predict the (001) projection symmetries of migration-related segments of coincidence site lattice tilt boundaries with [001] tilt axis.

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## 1. Introduction

The term *scanning* was introduced by Kopský (1990) for the process of determining the spatial distribution of local symmetries in a crystal. Using this terminology, the description of site point-group symmetries of points by Wyckoff positions in *International Tables for Crystallography*, Volume A, *Space-Group Symmetry* (ITA; Hahn, 2005) and Volume E, *Subperiodic Groups* (ITE; Kopský & Litvin, 2010) is the result of the *scanning* of three-dimensional space groups and subperiodic groups for point-group symmetries of points in a crystal. The description of the symmetries of planes that transect three-dimensional crystals by layer groups in Volume E, *Subperiodic Groups* (ITE; Kopský & Litvin, 2010) is the result of the *scanning* of three-dimensional space groups for the layer-group symmetries of the planes.

In §2 we give tables of the results of the scanning of twodimensional space groups for the frieze-group symmetries of lines that transect two-dimensional crystals. In §3, it is shown how these tables can be used to predict the (001) projection symmetries of migration-related segments of coincidence site lattice tilt boundaries with [001] tilt axis.

### 2. Scanning of two-dimensional space groups

The conventional coordinate system of a two-dimensional space group consists of an origin, denoted by P, and two vectors **a** and **b**, the conventional basis (see Fig. 1). The two-dimensional space can be transected by a straight line in a crystallographic direction given by Miller directional indices [n, m] where n and m are integers. That is, there are pairs of points on this line separated by a vector  $n\mathbf{a} + m\mathbf{b}$ .



Figure 1

Position and direction of a line: P and  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  denote, respectively, the origin and conventional basis of the conventional coordinate system of a two-dimensional space group. The direction of a line transecting a crystal of this two-dimensional space-group symmetry is denoted by Miller directional indices [n, m]. The position of the line is given by a vector  $\mathbf{d}$  and a real number s, the vector  $s\mathbf{d}$  going from the origin to a point  $P + s\mathbf{d}$  on the line.

This guarantees that the subgroup of the two-dimensional space group that leaves the line invariant contains a one-dimensional translational subgroup, *i.e.* that the subgroup is a frieze group. The position of the line in the two-dimensional space is specified by a vector **d** and real number 's',  $P + s\mathbf{d}$  being a point on the line.

The scanning tables of the scanning of two-dimensional space groups to determine the frieze-group symmetry of lines that transect two-dimensional crystals consist of six columns (see Table  $1^1$ ):

(i) *Two-dimensional space group*. Following ITA (Hahn, 2005), the sequential numbering, Hermann–Mauguin symbol and symmetry diagram of each two-dimensional space group are given.

(ii) Direction. The direction of the line transecting a twodimensional crystal of the given two-dimensional space group is specified by Miller directional indices [n, m]. For specific directions, nand m are fixed integers. For general directions, n and m are integer variables. When a two-dimensional space group contains both specific and general directions, the general directions [n, m] do not include the given specific directions. For example, in the case of p4mm (see Table 1), the general directions [n, m] do not include [1, 0], [0, 1],[1, 1] or [1, -1].

Only directions are listed that are directions of lines with friezegroup symmetry having, for some position of the line, nontranslational symmetry operations in addition to the identity symmetry operation. To have such additional symmetry operations, a line must pass through a twofold rotation point, overlap or be perpendicular to a mirror line, or overlap a glide line in the symmetry diagram. Consequently, no directions are listed for the two twodimensional space group Nos. 1 p1 and 13 p3.

(iii)  $\mathbf{a}_{\rm F}$ . The translation  $\mathbf{a}_{\rm F}$  denotes the generator of the translational subgroup of the frieze-group symmetry of the line whose direction is given in the second column. For general directions [n, m] $\mathbf{a}_{\rm F} = n\mathbf{a} + m\mathbf{b}$ .

(iv) **d**. The vector **d**, a translational vector of the two-dimensional space group, along with a real number *s*, specifies a vector *s***d** which is used to determine the position of the line whose direction is given in the second column. The position of the line is specified by a point  $P + s\mathbf{d}$  on the line (see Fig. 1). For general directions [n, m], n and m are mutually prime integers and  $\mathbf{d} = p\mathbf{a} - q\mathbf{b}$  where nq + mp = 1.

(v) *Linear orbit sd.* The infinite set of all parallel lines of a specific direction which transect a crystal can be subdivided into subsets called *linear orbits.* All parallel lines obtained by applying all

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The complete two-dimensional space-group scanning tables are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: TD5021) and at http://www.bk.psu.edu/faculty/litvin/Cv.html.

#### Table 1

Scanning of two-dimensional space group p4mm giving the frieze-group symmetry of lines of a given direction and position  $P + s\mathbf{d}$ .

The origin P is taken to be in the upper left-hand corner of the group symmetry diagram.

Two-dimensional space group	Direction	$\mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{F}}$	d	Linear orbit sd	Frieze group	
No. 11 p4mm	[1, 0]	а	b	0 <b>d</b> , <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> <b>d</b>	p2mm	F6
				[sd, -sd]	p1m1	F3
	[0, 1]	b	a	$0$ <b>d</b> , $\frac{1}{2}$ <b>d</b>	p2mm	F6
				[sd, -sd]	p1m1	F3
	[1, 1]	<b>a</b> + <b>b</b>	a — b	$[0d, \frac{1}{2}d]$	p2mm	F6
				$[\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{d}, \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{d}]$	$p2mg$ ( $\mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{F}}/4$ )	F7
				$[\pm sd, (\pm s + \frac{1}{2})d]$	p1m1	F3
	[1, -1]	a — b	a + b	$[0d, \frac{1}{2}d]$	p2mm	F6
				$[\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{d}, \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{d}]$	$p2mg$ ( $\mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{F}}/4$ )	F7
				$[\pm s\mathbf{d}, (\pm s + \frac{1}{2})\mathbf{d}]$	p1m1	F3
	[n, m]	$n\mathbf{a} + m\mathbf{b}$	$p\mathbf{a} - q\mathbf{b}$	$0$ <b>d</b> , $\frac{1}{2}$ <b>d</b>	p211	F2
				[sd, -sd]	<i>p</i> 1	F1

#### Table 2

Scanning of two-dimensional magnetic space group p4m'm' giving the magnetic frieze-group symmetry of lines of a given direction and position  $P + s\mathbf{d}$ .

The magnetic frieze-group numbering is that of Litvin (2013).

Two-dimensional magnetic space group	Direction	$\mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{F}}$	d	Linear orbit sd	Magnetic frieze group	
<i>p4m′m′</i>	[1, 0]	а	b	0 <b>d</b> , <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> <b>d</b>	p2m'm'	6.3.22
				[sd, -sd]	p1m'1	3.3.10
<b>**</b>	[0, 1]	b	a	$0d, \frac{1}{2}d$	p2m'm'	6.3.22
				[sd, -sd]	p1m'1	3.3.10
	[1, 1]	<b>a</b> + <b>b</b>	a — b	[0 <b>d</b> , <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> <b>d</b> ]	p2m'm'	6.3.22
				$\left[\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{d}, \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{d}\right]$	$p2m'g'(\mathbf{a}_{\rm F}/4)$	7.3.29
				$[\pm s\mathbf{d}, (\pm s + \frac{1}{2})\mathbf{d}]$	p1m'1	3.3.10
	[1, -1]	a — b	a + b	$[0d, \frac{1}{2}d]$	, p2m'm'	6.3.22
				$\left[\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{d}, \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{d}\right]$	$p^{2}m'g'(\mathbf{a}_{\rm F}/4)$	7.3.29
				$[\pm s\mathbf{d}, (\pm s + \frac{1}{2})\mathbf{d}]$	p1m'1	3.3.10
	[n, m]	na + mb	$p\mathbf{a} - q\mathbf{b}$	$0$ <b>d</b> , $\frac{1}{2}$ <b>d</b>	p211	2.1.4
				[sd, -sd]	<i>p</i> 1	1.1.1

elements of the two-dimensional space group to any one line of a specified orientation constitute a single linear orbit. The linear orbit of parallel lines which contain the line at the position  $P + s_1 \mathbf{d}$  is denoted by

## $[s_1\mathbf{d} + n\mathbf{d}, s_2\mathbf{d} + n\mathbf{d}, \dots, s_a\mathbf{d} + n\mathbf{d}]$

where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $s_i \mathbf{d}$ ,  $i = 2, 3, \ldots, q$  are a set of position vectors related to  $s_1 \mathbf{d}$  by non-translational symmetry elements. For typographical simplicity, only these later position vectors are explicitly listed in the tables, *i.e.* a linear orbit is denoted by  $[s_1 \mathbf{d}, s_2 \mathbf{d}, \ldots, s_q \mathbf{d}]$ . If this set of vectors contains a single vector  $[s\mathbf{d}]$  then it is written without the brackets. The *linear orbit or orbits*  $s\mathbf{d}$  of lines of the direction in column two and vector  $\mathbf{d}$  of column four are given in column five.

(vi) Frieze group. The frieze group of lines of direction given in column two and orientation orbit sd of column five is given in column six in both Hermann-Mauguin notation and the sequential numbering of ITE (Kopský & Litvin, 2010). If the origin of the frieze group at  $P + s\mathbf{d}$  is not the same as the choice of the origin in the representative frieze group given in ITE (Kopský & Litvin, 2010), then the origin is translated to  $P + s\mathbf{d} + \tau$  where  $\tau$  is given in parentheses after the Hermann-Mauguin frieze-group symbol. For example (see Table 1), for the direction [1, 1] and linear orbit [ $\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{d}, \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{d}$ ] the frieze group is given as 42mg ( $\mathbf{a}_{F}/4$ ) where  $\mathbf{a}_{F} = \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$ .

Moeck *et al.* (2014) have derived a twostep method to predict the (001) projection symmetries of migration-related segments of coincidence site lattice tilt boundaries with a [001] tilt axis for all holohedral cubic materials. Their method, in the terminology of bicrystallography, is the sectioning of a black–white plane group of a dichromatic pattern, and is analogous to the scanning of magnetic space groups in the analysis of nonmagnetic domain walls (Janovec & Litvin, 2007). As we now show, these two steps are easily performed with the tabular information provided here.

In the example given in Moeck et al. (2014), the first step is the sectioning of p4m'm', a black-white plane group of the overlapping projections of two crystal structures, along lines in the [1, 1] direction. The color exchange operation is interpreted as the exchange of the two crystal structures (Janovec & Přívratská, 2003). This gave rise to three dichromatic frieze groups, p2m'm', p2m'g' and p1m'1, depending on the sectioning line's position. Black-white groups are isomorphic with magnetic groups (Litvin, 2013). Consequently, the sectioning of blackwhite plane groups is isomorphic with the scanning of two-dimensional magnetic space groups. The scanning table of the two-dimensional magnetic space group p4m'm' can be derived from the scanning

table of the two-dimensional space group p4mm (Table 1) (Litvin & Kopsky, 1997; Janovec & Litvin, 2007) and is given in Table 2. The three magnetic frieze groups of lines of the direction [1, 1], *i.e.* the three dichromatic frieze groups p4m'm', p2m'g' and p1m'1 (Moeck *et al.*, 2014) can be read directly off Table 2 along with their positions.

#### Table 3

The reduction in frieze-group symmetry when one structure is removed from one side of the sectioning line and the second structure is removed from the other side of the sectioning line; structures on opposite sides now of opposite color.

Change in origin and convectional basis of frieze group, if any, is given after the reduced frieze-group symbol.

<i>p</i> 1	$\rightarrow$	<i>p</i> 1	/11g	$\rightarrow$	<i>p</i> 1
p11'	$\rightarrow$	<i>p</i> 1	/11g1'	$\rightarrow$	/11g'
$p_{2a}1$	$\rightarrow$		/11g'	$\rightarrow$	/11g'
p 211	$\rightarrow$	<i>p</i> 1	p2mm	$\rightarrow$	<i>p</i> 1 <i>m</i> 1
p2111′	$\rightarrow$	p2'11	p2mm1'	$\rightarrow$	/p2'mm'
p2'11	$\rightarrow$	p2'11	/2m'm'	$\rightarrow$	p11m'
p2a211	$\rightarrow$	$p2'11(\frac{1}{2}, 0; 2a, b)$	/2'mm'	$\rightarrow$	/2'mm'
,		, .2	'∌2'm'm	$\rightarrow$	p2'11
<i>▶</i> 1 <i>m</i> 1	$\rightarrow$	<i>p</i> 1 <i>m</i> 1	/p2a2m'm'	$\rightarrow$	$h^{2}mm'(\frac{1}{2}, 0; 2a, b)$
p1m11'	$\rightarrow$	p1m1	p2a2mm	$\rightarrow$	$h^{2'}mg'(\frac{1}{2}, 0; 2a, b)$
µ1m'1	$\rightarrow$	<i>p</i> 1			/2
$h_{2a}1m1$	$\rightarrow$	h1m1(0, 0; 2a, b)	∮2mg	$\rightarrow$	<i>▶</i> 1 <i>m</i> 1
,		,	/2mg1'	$\rightarrow$	/p2'mg'
<i>▶</i> 11 <i>m</i>	$\rightarrow$	<i>p</i> 1	/2m'g'	$\rightarrow$	/11g
µ11m1′	$\rightarrow$	p11m'	1/2'mg	$\rightarrow$	1/2'mg'
p11m'	$\rightarrow$	p11m'	/2'm'g	$\rightarrow$	p2'11
$p_{2a}11m'$	$\rightarrow$	h11m'(0, 0; 2a, b)	, 0		,
$p_{2a}11m$	$\rightarrow$	p11g'(0, 0; 2a, b)			

The second step is to determine the reduction in frieze-group symmetry when in the overlapping projections of the two crystal structures, one structure is removed from one side of the sectioning line and the second structure is removed from the other side of the sectioning line. The structures on opposite sides of the sectioning line are now of opposite color and frieze-group symmetry elements are limited to (i) twofold rotation points and mirror and glide planes parallel to the sectioning line all coupled (primed) with a color exchange and (ii) mirror planes perpendicular to the sectioning line not coupled (not primed) with a color exchange. This reduction in all types of magnetic frieze groups is given in Table 3. From this table one immediately finds that the three dichromatic frieze groups p2m'm', p2m'g' and p1m'1 are reduced, respectively, to the three groups p11m', p11g' and p1 in agreement with Moeck *et al.* (2014). Discussions with V. Kopský are gratefully acknowledged.

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