

## **Decagonal quasicrystals**

higher dimensional description & structure determination

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# The section method











# Diffraction symmetry & Space groups of d-QC's



### Diffraction patterns of a decagonal quasicrystal

**Z**<sub>V</sub> 021-1-20 1-2-2-10

d-Al<sub>75.2</sub>Ni<sub>14.6</sub>Ru<sub>10.2</sub> a = 0.2764 nm c = 1.6523 nm  $h_1h_2h_3h_40$ reciprocal lattice plane  $d_1^{*\epsilon}$ 







### $h_1h_2h_2h_1h_5$

 $h_1h_2\overline{h}_2\overline{h}_1h_5$ 



### No reflection condition

Reflection condition:  $h_5 = 2n$  for  $h_1h_2\overline{h}_2\overline{h}_1h_5$ 



 $h_1h_2h_3h_40$ 

### $h_1h_2h_2h_1h_5$





### $h_1h_2\overline{h}_2\overline{h}_1h_5$



### along

All reflections can be indexed with five integer using these unit vectors.





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## Decagonal space groups in 5D space with highest symmetries

Point group	Space group	Special reflection condition	
10/mmm*	P10/mmm	No condition	
	P10/mcc	$h_5 = 2n  ext{ for } h_1 h_2 h_2 h_1 h_5$ $h_5 = 2n  ext{ for } h_1 h_2 \overline{h}_2 \overline{h}_1 h_5$	along between
	$P10_5/mmc$	$h_5 = 2n \text{ for } h_1 h_2 \overline{h}_2 \overline{h}_1 h_5$	between
	$P10_5/mcm$	$h_5 = 2n \text{ for } h_1 h_2 h_2 h_1 h_5$	along

\* The order of the point group is 40.

There are 34 decagonal non-equivalent space groups.

Cf. D.A.Rabson et al., Rev. Mod. Phys. 63 (1990) 699-733.









# Unit vectors in decagonal system



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### A flowchart representing a process for determining the unit vectors of d-QC's





## Projections of the unit vectors $\mathbf{d}_i^*$





Reciprocal lattice vectors

**Direct lattice vectors** 

 $\mathbf{d}_{i}^{*} (i = 1, 2, ..., 5) \longrightarrow \mathbf{d}_{i} (i = 1, 2, ..., 5)$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{d}_{i} &= \sum_{j=1}^{5} M_{ij} \mathbf{a}_{j} \\ M &= \frac{2a}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} c_{1}-1 & s_{1} & c_{2}-1 & s_{2} & 0 \\ c_{2}-1 & s_{2} & c_{4}-1 & s_{4} & 0 \\ c_{3}-1 & s_{3} & c_{1}-1 & s_{1} & 0 \\ c_{4}-1 & s_{4} & c_{3}-1 & s_{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{5}c/(2a) \end{pmatrix} \\ c_{j} &= \cos(2\pi j/5), \ s_{j} &= \sin(2\pi j/5) \\ (j = 1, 2, 3, 4) \\ a &= 1/a^{*}, \ c &= 1/c^{*} \end{aligned}$$

### Projections of the unit vectors $\mathbf{d}_i$







### Similarity transformation

Choice of  $\mathbf{d}_i^*$  is not unique.





- The first four vectors,  $\mathbf{d}_i^*$  (i = 1, 2, 3, 4), are relevant to the quasi-periodic plane of d-QC.
- Choice of  $a^*$  is not unique.
- A similarity transformation does not change the size of the 5D unit cell, but changes the scale of the projected vectors in the external and internal spaces.



# Description of d-QC structures



## **D-QC** structure

- Periodic stacking of atom planes along the 10-fold axis.
- Each plane has a quasiperiodic atomic order.
  - A decorated Penrose tiling with atoms would give an example of such atomic plane.











### Construction of the Penrose tiling

### Occupation domains:













# Point density


- The point density is the number of vertices per unit area (or volume) of a tiling.
- Because the density of QC's is a fundamental quantity, therefore it has to be explained by their models.
- The density calculations are based on the fact that an OD at some lattice point *n* intersects the external space at a point and the set of all possible cross points covers the OD homogeneously.





Point density: 
$$ho_{
m pd} = \Omega^1/\Omega_0$$



# Point density of the primitive 4D decagonal lattice



Primitive 4-dimensional decagonal lattice:  $\mathbf{d}_j$  (j = 1, 2, 3, 4)

The unit-cell volume: 
$$arOmega_0 = \det |M| = 4\sqrt{5a^4}$$

Area of the unit cell in the internal space:  $arOmega_0^{
m i}=4 au^3\sin(\pi/5)a^2$ 

Point density:  $\rho_0 = \Omega_0^i / \Omega_0 = \tau^3 \sin(\pi/5) / (\sqrt{5}a^2)$ 











## Simple models of d-QC's

#### Feature of simple models

#### Simple models

- based on the Penrose tiling.
- explain diffraction intensity qualitatively.
- consider no atom shifts from ideal positions.
- can't explain density.















#### Modified Al-Mn model

A.Yamamoto & K.N. Ishihara, Acta Cryst. (1988). A44, 707-714.









### Symmetry & Space group of d-QC's in a little more details



#### Symmetry of d-QC's

- Symmetry reflected in diffraction patterns is that of 5D crystals.
- If a 5D crystal has a (hyper-) glide plane or (hyper-) screw axis, it cause a systematic extinction of reflections.
- Rotational symmetry
   Diffraction symmetry
- Non-primitive translation
   Reflection conditions



- In many cases, OD's are located at the special position of the space group.
- Those OD's are invariant under the sitesymmetry group, which is a subgroup of the point group of the space group.
- The site symmetry restricts the shape of the OD, since the shape has to be invariant under the site-symmetry group.



#### Decagonal space groups with reflection conditions

Point group	Order	Space group	Reflection condition	Point group	Order	Space group	Reflection condition
10/mmm	40	P10/mmm	no condition	10mm	20	P10mm	no condition
		P10/mcc	$\begin{array}{l} h_5=2n \mbox{ for } h_1h_2h_2h_1h_5\\ h_5=2n \mbox{ for } h_1h_2\overline{h_2h_1}h_5 \end{array}$			P10cc	$\begin{array}{l} h_5=2n \mbox{ for } h_1h_2h_2h_1h_5\\ h_5=2n \mbox{ for } h_1h_2\overline{h_2h_1}h_5 \end{array}$
		$P10_5/mmc$	$h_5=2n \mbox{ for } h_1h_2\overline{h_2h_1}h_5$			$P10_5mc$	$h_5=2n \text{ for } h_1h_2\overline{h_2h_1}h_5$
		$P10_5/mcm$	$h_5=2n~{\rm for}~h_1h_2h_2h_1h_5$			$P10_5 cm$	$h_5=2n \ {\rm for} \ h_1h_2h_2h_1h_5$
10/m	20	P10/m	no condition	$\overline{10}m2$	20	$P\overline{10}m2$	no condition
		$P10_5/m$	$h_5=2n \ {\rm for} \ 0000 h_5$			$P\overline{10}c2$	$h_5=2n \mbox{ for } h_1h_2h_2h_1h_5$
1022	20	P1022	no condition			$P\overline{10}2m$	no condition
		$P10_j22$	$jh_5=10n~{\rm for}~0000h_5$			$P\overline{10}2c$	$h_5=2n$ for $h_1h_2\overline{h_2h_1}h_5$
				$\overline{10}$	10	$P\overline{10}$	no condition
				10	10	P10	no condition
						$P10_j$	$jh_5=10n$ for $0000h_5$

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Matrix representation of the generators of 5D space group  $P10_5/mmc$  $R(C_{10}) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ (hyper-) screw  $\{C_{10}|0000\frac{1}{2}\}$  $R(\sigma') = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (hyper-) glide plane  $\{\sigma'|0000\frac{1}{2}\}$  $R(I) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ 







#### What to Remember

A Vector in the external or internal space is transformed into a vector in the same space by a symmetry operation.



# Cluster based models of d-QC's





#### Cluster based model of QC's

#### First applied to

#### icosahedral quasicrystals by

A.Yamamoto and K. Hiraga, 'Structure of an icosahedral Al-Mn quasicrystal', *Physical Review* B, **37** (1988) 6207-6214.

→ model + structure refinement

#### decagonal quasicrystals by

S. E. Burkov, 'Structure model of the Al-Cu-Co decagonal quasicrystal', *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **67** (1991) 614-617.

→ model, no refinement



Feature of the Burkov model

- Space group  $P10_5/mmc$
- Two layered structure ~ 0.4 nm period
- Two types of atom clusters:

decagon and pentagon

- 2 nm 10-fold atomic cluster
- → 1.2 nm cluster linkage



















Feature of the Yamamoto 2nm model

- Space group  $P10_5/mmc$
- Two layered structure ~ 0.4 nm period
- Three types of atom clusters:

decagon, pentagon, and star

- → 2 nm 10-fold atomic cluster
- 2 nm cluster linkage

Pentagonal Penrose tiling






## Construction of cluster based model



$$\pm \mathbf{e}^{\mathrm{e}}_{i} = \mp \mathbf{e}^{\mathrm{i}}_{i} \pm \mathbf{d}_{i} \mp \sum_{l=1}^{4} \mathbf{d}_{l}/5$$

• 
$$\mathbf{d}_{i} = \mathbf{d}_{i}^{e} + \mathbf{d}_{i}^{i}$$
  
•  $\begin{cases} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{e} = \mathbf{d}_{i}^{e} - \sum_{l=1}^{4} \mathbf{d}_{l}^{e}/5 \\ \mathbf{e}_{i}^{i} = \mathbf{d}_{i}^{i} - \sum_{l=1}^{4} \mathbf{d}_{l}^{i}/5 \end{cases}$   
•  $\mathbf{e}_{i}^{e} + \mathbf{e}_{i}^{i} = \mathbf{d}_{i}^{e} + \mathbf{d}_{i}^{i} - \sum_{l=1}^{4} (\mathbf{d}_{l}^{e}/5 + \mathbf{d}_{l}^{i}/5)$   
 $= \mathbf{d}_{i} - \sum_{l=1}^{4} \mathbf{d}_{l}/5$ 

$$egin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_1^{\mathbf{e}} &= -\mathbf{e}_1^{\mathbf{i}} + \mathbf{d}_1 - \sum_{l=1}^4 \mathbf{d}_l / 5 \ &= -\mathbf{e}_1^{\mathbf{i}} + rac{4}{5} \mathbf{d}_1 - rac{1}{5} \mathbf{d}_2 - rac{1}{5} \mathbf{d}_3 - rac{1}{5} \mathbf{d}_4 \ &\equiv -\mathbf{e}_1^{\mathbf{i}} - \sum_{l=1}^4 \mathbf{d}_l / 5 \end{aligned}$$



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## Structure-factor formula for QC's

## Structure factor formula

$$egin{aligned} F(\mathbf{h}) &= \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\{R \mid \mathbf{t}\}^{\mu}} f^{\mu}(\mathbf{h}^{\mathrm{e}}) p^{\mu} \exp\{-B^{\mu}(\mathrm{h}^{\mathrm{e}})^{2}/4\} \ & imes \exp\{2\pi i\,\mathbf{h}\cdot(R\,\mathbf{r}^{\mu}+\mathbf{t})\}F_{0}^{\mu}(R^{-1}\mathbf{h}) \end{aligned}$$

 $\mu$ : Independent occupation domain

 $\{R|t\}^{\mu}: \begin{array}{l} \text{Symmetry operators of space group which generate} \\ \text{equivalent occupation domains in a unit cell from the} \\ \text{independent occupation domain } \mu \end{array}$ 





Provided that the occupation domain consists of  $\nu$  independent triangles (or tetrahedra), it is given by

$$F_0^{\mu}(\mathbf{h}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\nu} \sum_{R'} F_{0i}^{\mu}(R'^{-1}\mathbf{h})$$

R' : Rotational part of site-symmetry operator







## Fourier integral of a tetrahedron

 $F_{0i}^{\mu}(\mathbf{h}) = -iV \frac{q_2 q_3 q_4 \exp(iq_1) + q_3 q_1 q_5 \exp(iq_2) + q_1 q_2 q_6 \exp(iq_3) + q_4 q_5 q_6}{q_1 q_2 q_3 q_4 q_5 q_6}$ 

$$q_{j} = 2\pi \mathbf{h}^{i} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{j}^{i} \quad (j = 1, 2, 3),$$

$$q_{4} = q_{2} - q_{3}, \quad q_{5} = q_{3} - q_{1}, \quad q_{6} = q_{1} - q_{2},$$

$$V = \mathbf{e}_{1}^{i} \cdot [\mathbf{e}_{2}^{i} \times \mathbf{e}_{3}^{i}]$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{3}^{i} \mathbf{e}_{1}^{j} \mathbf{e}_{1}^{i}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{3}^{i} \mathbf{e}_{1}^{j}$$
Asymmetric part





is to determine the size and shape of OD's.