# Probing chirality with high energy synchrotron light

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# Outline





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# **Phase information**

$$\rho(\mathbf{R}) = \rho_A(\mathbf{R}) + \rho_S(\mathbf{R})$$
 Scattering density – two parts  

$$F(\mathbf{Q}) = \sum_A f_A(\mathbf{Q}) \exp(i\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}_A) + \sum_S f_S(\mathbf{Q}) \exp(i\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}_S)$$
  

$$F(\mathbf{Q}) = F_A(\mathbf{Q}) + F_S(\mathbf{Q})$$
 Structure factor – two parts  
Scattered intensity – three contributions

 $I(\mathbf{Q}) \propto |F(\mathbf{Q})|^{2} = |F_{A}(\mathbf{Q})|^{2} + |F_{S}(\mathbf{Q})|^{2} + 2|F_{A}(\mathbf{Q})||F_{S}(\mathbf{Q})|\cos(\phi_{A} - \phi_{S})$ 

Direct phase information is lost in diffraction experiment but we have the cross-term – and structure solution is possible!

 $\cos(\phi_A - \phi_S)$  Cos is even function....









# Anomalously Scattered X-ray -90° phase shift diminished amplitude

#### Selenium atom Excited state





Incident photon

Scattered photon

 $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}_{o} + \Delta \mathbf{f}' + \mathbf{i} \Delta \mathbf{f}''$ 





resonant scattering coefficients for Zr





$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}_{0} + \Delta \mathbf{f}' + \mathbf{i} \Delta \mathbf{f}''$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{R}) = \rho_{J}(\mathbf{R}) + \rho_{K}(\mathbf{R})$$

$$\mathbf{I}$$

$$F(\mathbf{Q}) = \sum_{j} (f_{0}^{j} + \Delta f'^{j}) \exp(i\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}_{j}) + i\sum_{k} (\Delta f''^{k}) \exp(i\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}_{k})$$

$$i e^{(i\phi)} = e^{(i(\phi + \pi/2))}$$
$$i F_K(\mathbf{Q}) = |F_K(\mathbf{Q})| e^{i(\phi_K + \pi/2)}$$

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 $I(\mathbf{Q}) = |F(\mathbf{Q})|^{2} = |F_{J}(\mathbf{Q}) + iF_{K}(\mathbf{Q})|^{2}$  $I(\mathbf{Q}) = |F_{J}(\mathbf{Q})|^{2} + |F_{K}(\mathbf{Q})|^{2} + 2|F_{J}(\mathbf{Q})||F_{K}(\mathbf{Q})|\cos(\phi_{J} - \phi_{K} + \pi/2)$  $I(\mathbf{Q}) = |F_{J}(\mathbf{Q})|^{2} + |F_{K}(\mathbf{Q})|^{2} + 2|F_{J}(\mathbf{Q})||F_{K}(\mathbf{Q})|\sin(\phi_{J} - \phi_{K})$ 

 $\sin(\phi_J - \phi_K)$  - is odd function!



Friedel pairs: Q and -Q

$$F(\boldsymbol{Q}) = \sum_{i} f_{i}(\boldsymbol{Q}) \exp(i\boldsymbol{Q}(\boldsymbol{r}_{i}))$$

$$F(\boldsymbol{Q}) = |F(\boldsymbol{Q})| \exp(i\phi)$$





# Friedel pairs: Q and -Q



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 $I(\boldsymbol{Q}) = |F(\boldsymbol{Q})|^{2} = |F_{A}(\boldsymbol{Q})|^{2} + |F_{S}(\boldsymbol{Q})|^{2} + 2|F_{A}(\boldsymbol{Q})||F_{S}(\boldsymbol{Q})|\cos(\phi_{A} - \phi_{S})$  $\cos(\phi_{A} - \phi_{S}) \quad \text{Cos is even function....}$ 



#### Friedel law: close to resonance



# $I(\boldsymbol{Q}) = |F(\boldsymbol{Q})|^{2} = |F_{J}(\boldsymbol{Q}) + iF_{K}(\boldsymbol{Q})|^{2}$ $I(\boldsymbol{Q}) = |F_{J}(\boldsymbol{Q})|^{2} + |F_{K}(\boldsymbol{Q})|^{2} + 2|F_{J}(\boldsymbol{Q})||F_{K}(\boldsymbol{Q})|\sin(\phi_{J} - \phi_{K})$

 $I(\boldsymbol{Q}) - I(-\boldsymbol{Q}) = 4|F_J(\boldsymbol{Q})||F_K(\boldsymbol{Q})|\sin(\phi_J - \phi_K)$ 

 $\sin(\phi_J - \phi_K)$  - is odd function!

To get phase information from resonance scattering one has to be able to manipulate X-ray energy This is what synchrotron can do!



# Chirality









## **Chirality in MnSi**

Left and Right forms are related by the inversion operation

$$\begin{array}{c} (x, y, z)_L = (-x, -y, -z)_R \\ \phi_L = -\phi_R \\ \hline X (Mn) & X (Si) \end{array}$$

0.137	0.846 L
0.887	0.154 R



 $I(\mathbf{Q}) - I(-\mathbf{Q}) = \pm 2|F_J(\mathbf{Q})||F_K(\mathbf{Q})|\sin(\phi_J - \phi_K)$ 

$$\sin(\phi_J - \phi_K)$$
 - is odd function!

Opposite enantiomeric forms give an interference contribution of he different sign. They are distinguishable due to the resonant contribution.



#### Absolute structure determination

- 1. Resonance contribution  $f(\vec{Q}) = f_0(\vec{Q}) + f'(\lambda) + if''(\lambda)$
- 2. Violation of Friedel law  $|F(\vec{Q})| \neq |F(-\vec{Q})|$  $I(\vec{Q}) - I(-\vec{Q}) \neq 0$
- 3. Flack parameter



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H. D. Flack and G. Bernardinelli (2008). Chirality 20, 681

## Parsons' quotients

Observed: 
$$q_{\rm obs}(\mathbf{h}) = \frac{I_{\rm obs}(\mathbf{h}) - I_{\rm obs}(\bar{\mathbf{h}})}{I_{\rm obs}(\mathbf{h}) + I_{\rm obs}(\bar{\mathbf{h}})}$$

Calculated: 
$$q_{\text{calc}}(\mathbf{h}) = \frac{I_{\text{calc}}(\mathbf{h}) - I_{\text{calc}}(\bar{\mathbf{h}})}{I_{\text{calc}}(\mathbf{h}) + I_{\text{calc}}(\bar{\mathbf{h}})}$$

Structural chirality: 
$$\Gamma = 1 - 2x_F = \frac{q_{\text{obs}}}{q_{\text{calc}}}$$

S. Parsons et al., Acta Cryst. (2013). B69, 249–259



#### Absolute structure determination

$$\frac{I(H) - I(-H)}{I(H) + I(-H)} = \gamma_c \frac{|F_M(H)|^2 - |F_M(-H)|^2}{|F_M(H)|^2 + |F_M(-H)|^2} \qquad \gamma_c = (1 - 2x)$$
Structural chirality – from X-ray diffraction data close to a resonance
$$\frac{I \uparrow (Q) - I \downarrow (Q)}{I \uparrow (Q) + I \downarrow (Q)} = \gamma_m (\mathbf{P}_0 \mathbf{e}_0)$$

Magnetic chirality – from scattering of polarized neutron



## Chirality in MnSi at 18 keV

X (Mn)	X (Si)
0.137	0.846 L
0.887	0.154 R



Mn k-edge: 6.5390 keV Wavelength: 18 keV (0.7 Å)  $R_1$ : 1 – 2% Flack: 0.01(1)

f'(Mn) = 0.2858, f''(Mn) = 0.6739 f'(Si) = 0.0653, f''(Si) = 0.0646

$$q_{\rm obs}(\mathbf{h}) = \frac{I_{\rm obs}(\mathbf{h}) - I_{\rm obs}(\bar{\mathbf{h}})}{I_{\rm obs}(\mathbf{h}) + I_{\rm obs}(\bar{\mathbf{h}})}$$

$$q_{\text{calc}}(\mathbf{h}) = \frac{I_{\text{calc}}(\mathbf{h}) - I_{\text{calc}}(\bar{\mathbf{h}})}{I_{\text{calc}}(\mathbf{h}) + I_{\text{calc}}(\bar{\mathbf{h}})}$$







### Chirality of Cu<sub>2</sub>OSeO<sub>3</sub> (Cu k-edge: 8.9789 keV)

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H.D. Flack and U. Shmueli, Acta Cryst. (2007) A63, 257

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#### Parsons' plot for MnSi





# **F-histogram**

18 keV





# **F-histogram**





#### Weighted **F**-histogram

$$\sigma^{2}(\Gamma) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \Delta I_{i} \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial I_{i}} \right)^{2}$$



$$+\Delta I_{\rm o}^{-} \left[ -\frac{(I_{\rm c}^{+} + I_{\rm c}^{-})(I_{\rm o}^{+} - I_{\rm o}^{-})}{(I_{\rm c}^{+} - I_{\rm c}^{-})(I_{\rm o}^{+} + I_{\rm o}^{-})^{2}} - \frac{I_{\rm c}^{+} + I_{\rm c}^{-}}{(I_{\rm c}^{+} - I_{\rm c}^{-})(I_{\rm o}^{+} + I_{\rm o}^{-})^{2}} \right]^{2}$$



#### Weighted **F**-histogram









#### Weighted **F**-histogram





- Determination of absolute structure using the Flack parameter and Parsons quotients for low energy xrays is a routine procedure.
- Determination of absolute structure far from the resonant scattering is also possible if we apply statistical methods to the quotients distribution.



# **Bleeding edge**



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#### Absolute structure determination using CRYSTALS

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