# La Matematica della cristallografia:

Una breve descrizione

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L’osservabile finale della cristallografia ai Raggi X  che si ottiene a partire
Dalla diffrazione dei raggi X da parte dei cristalli proteici è la MAPPA DI DENSITA’ ELETTRONICA della proteina.

LA MAPPA DI DENSITA’ ELETTRONICA è la trasformata di Fourier dei FATTORI DI STRUTTURA

Con l’ausilio delle prossime diapositive cercheremo di capire cos’è la trasformata di Fourier

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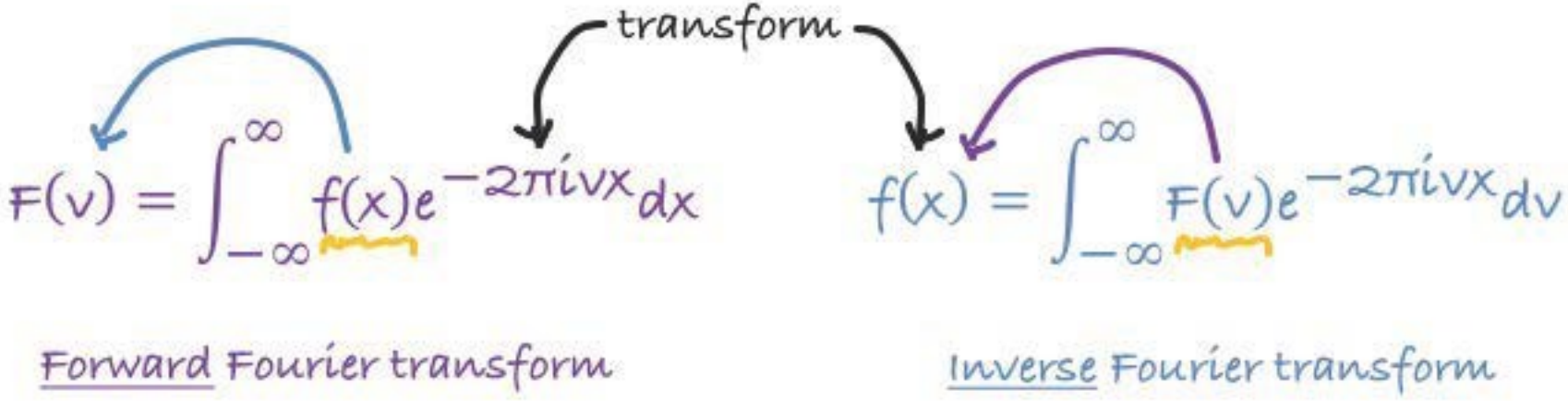
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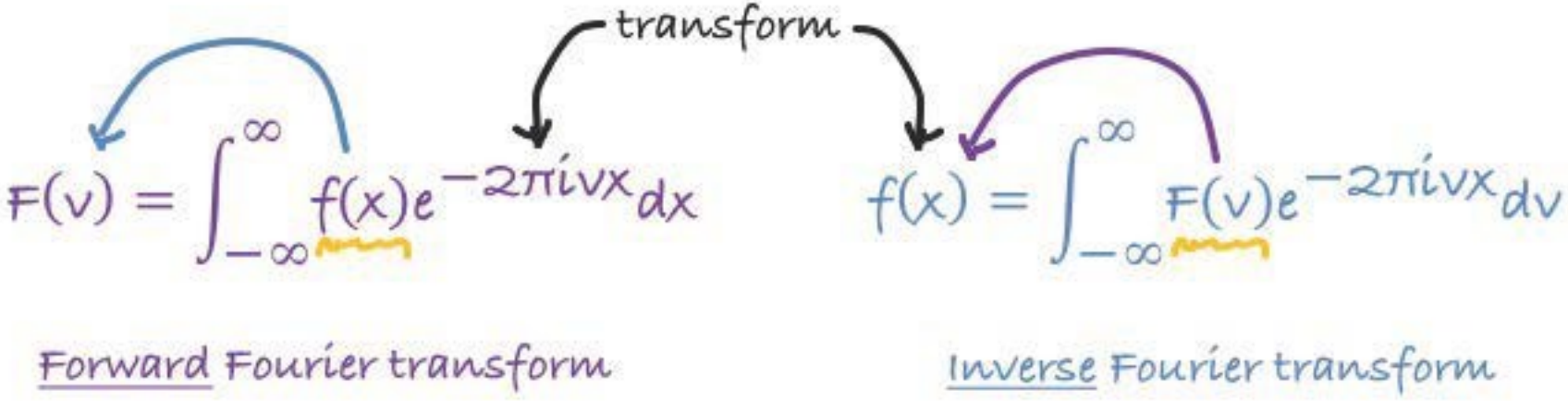
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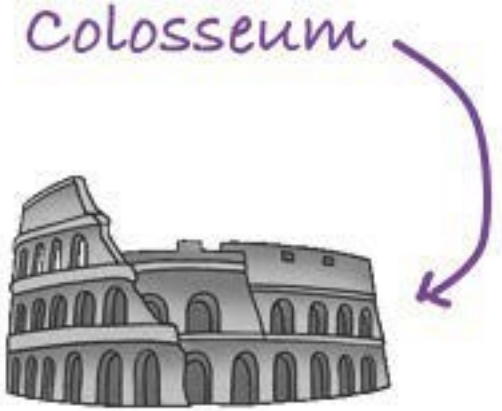
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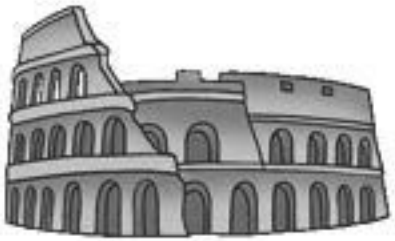
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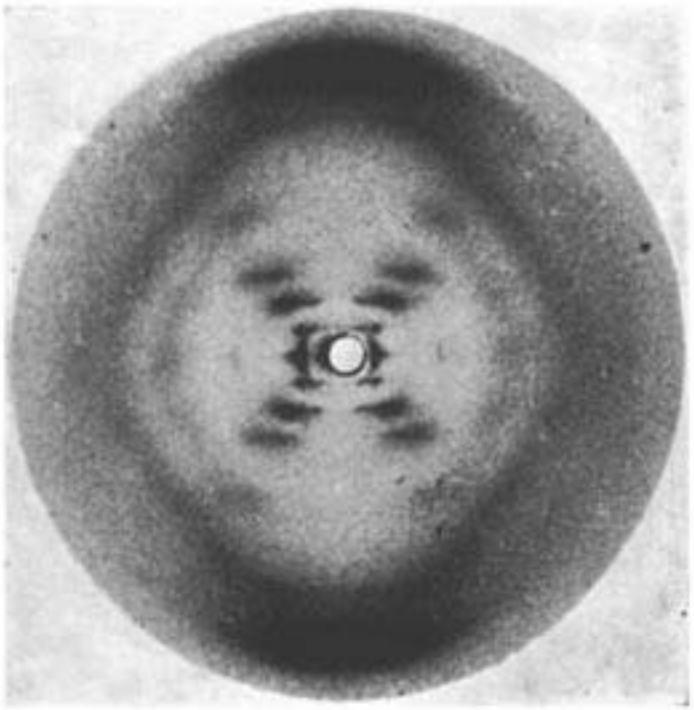


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# A prominent example



Watson-Crick model of B-DNA



Rosalind Franklin, 1952

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Fourier transform

# Fourier series: *Periodic functions as sums simple waves*



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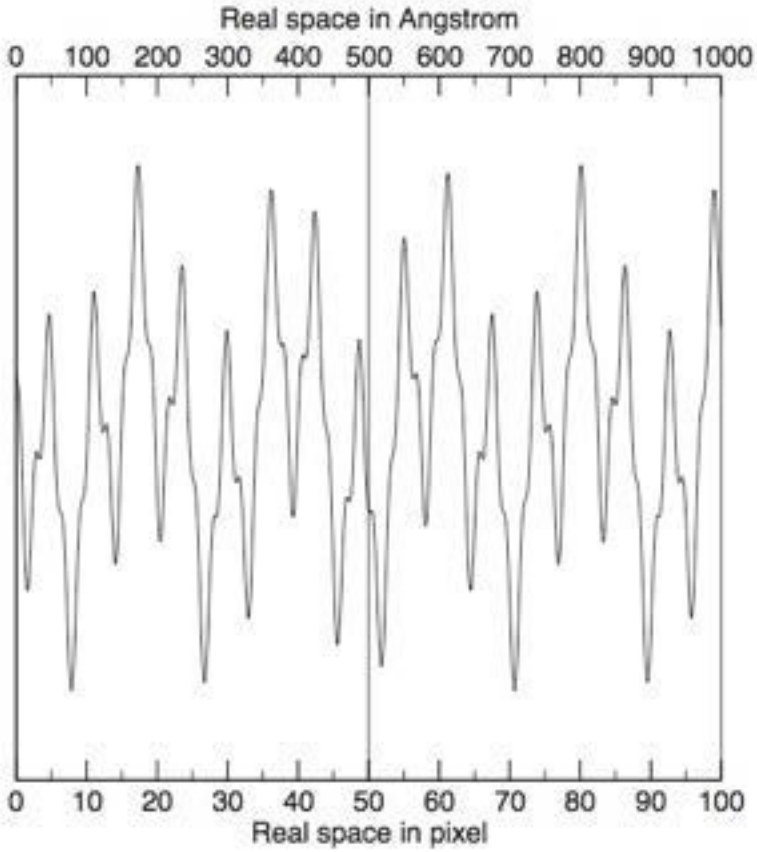
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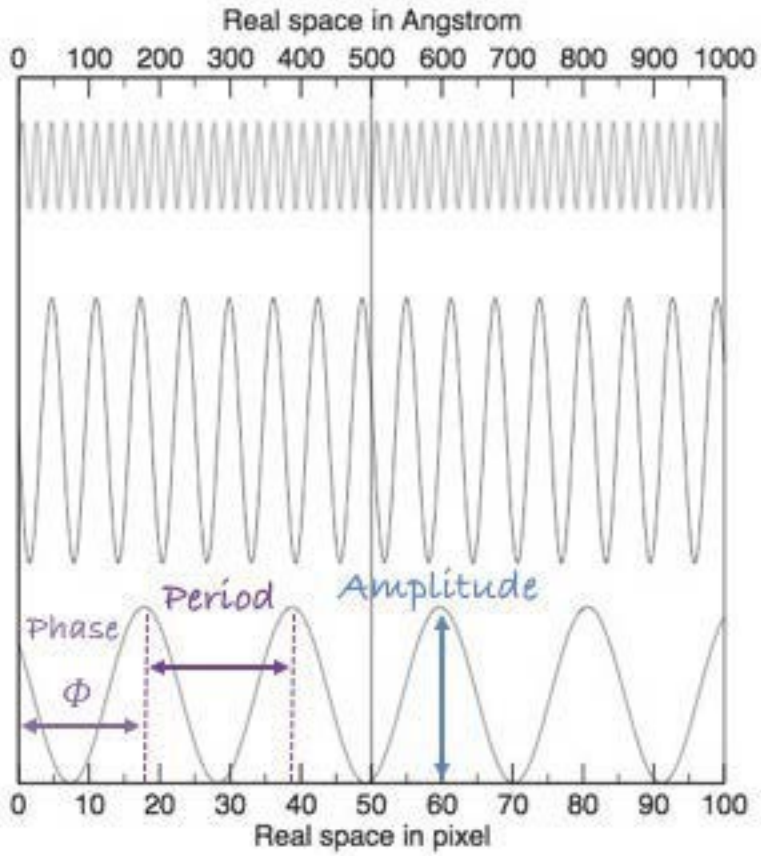
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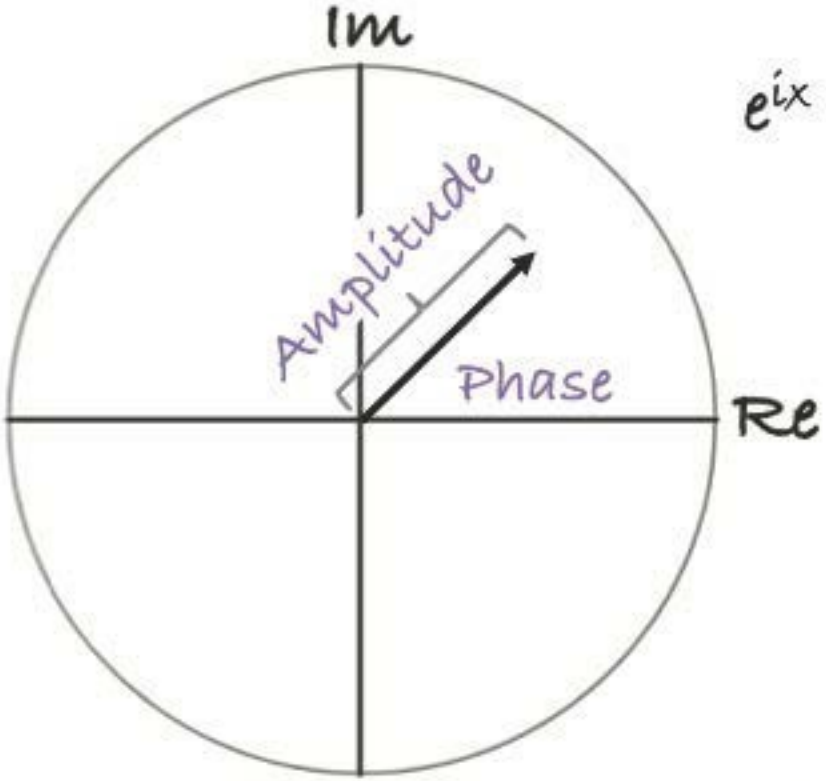
**Superposition of cosine functions**




**Component cosine functions**



# Euler's formula: *Expressing waves as complex numbers*



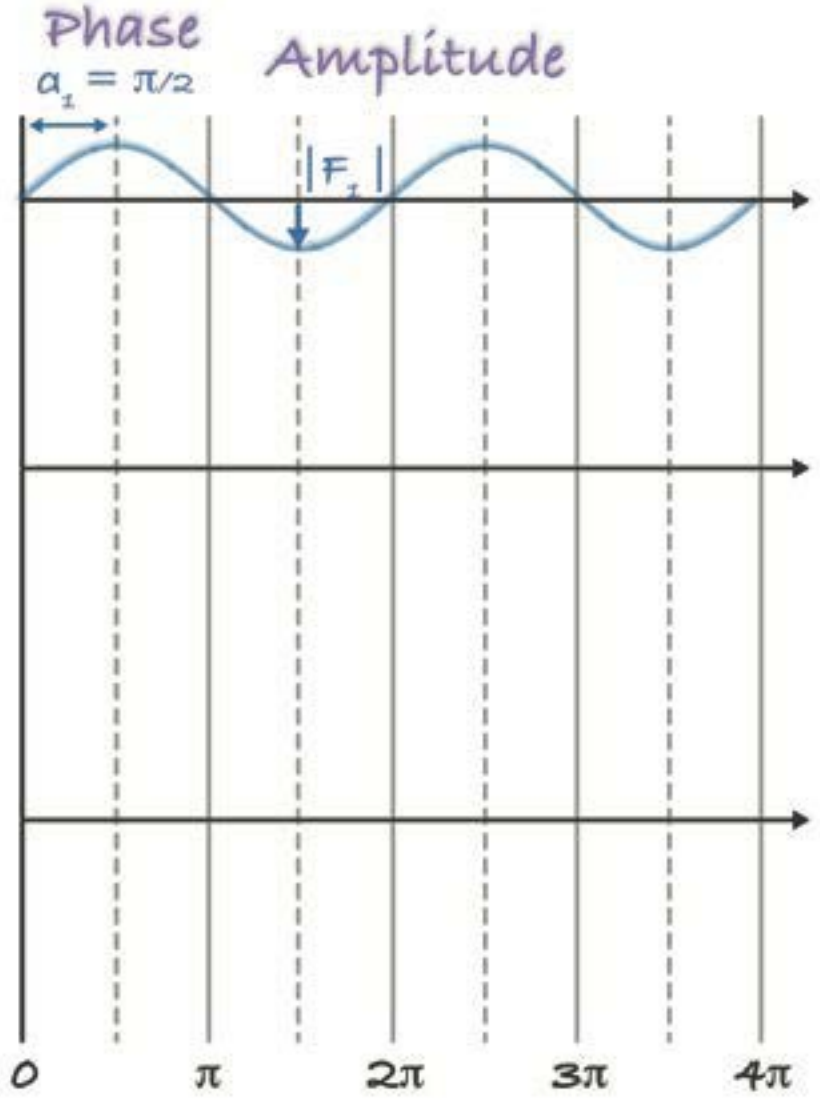

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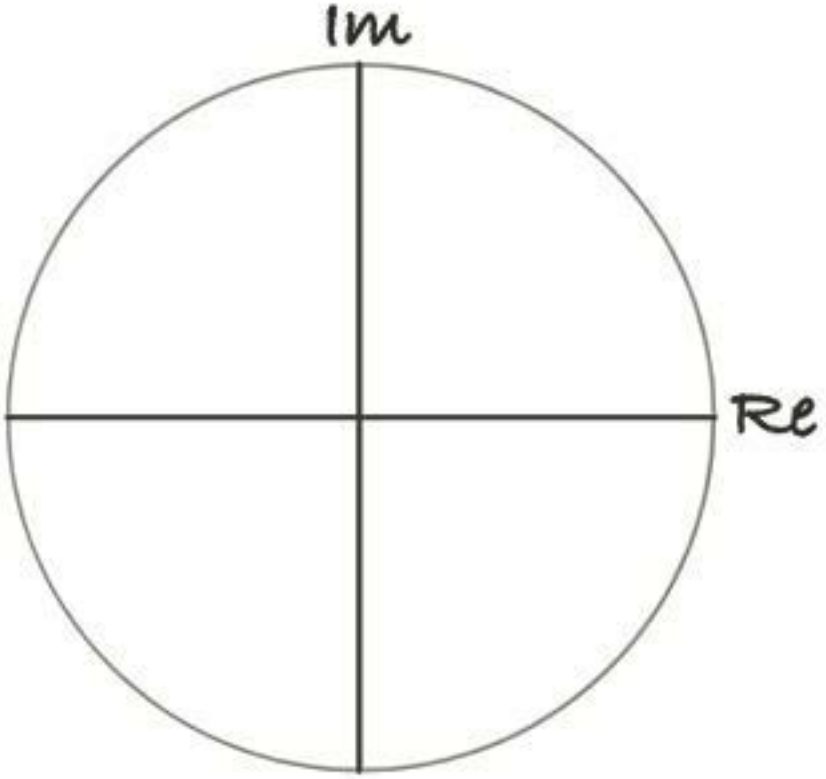
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$X=\alpha$ (FASE)

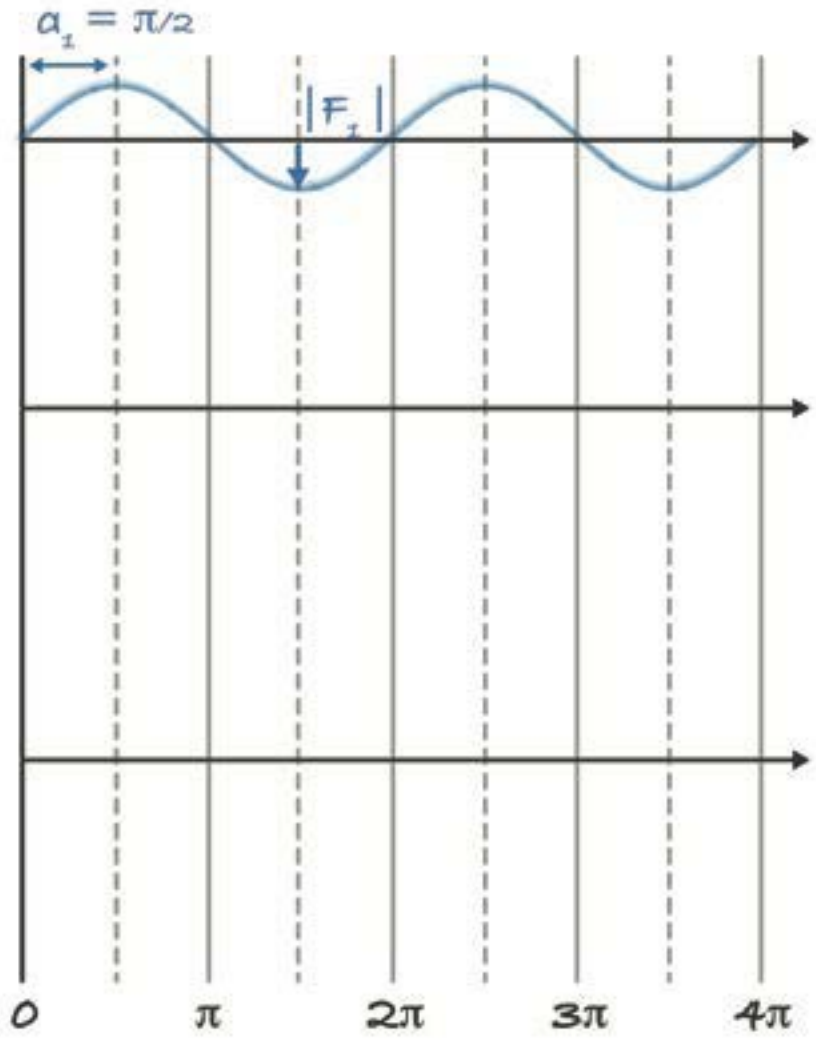
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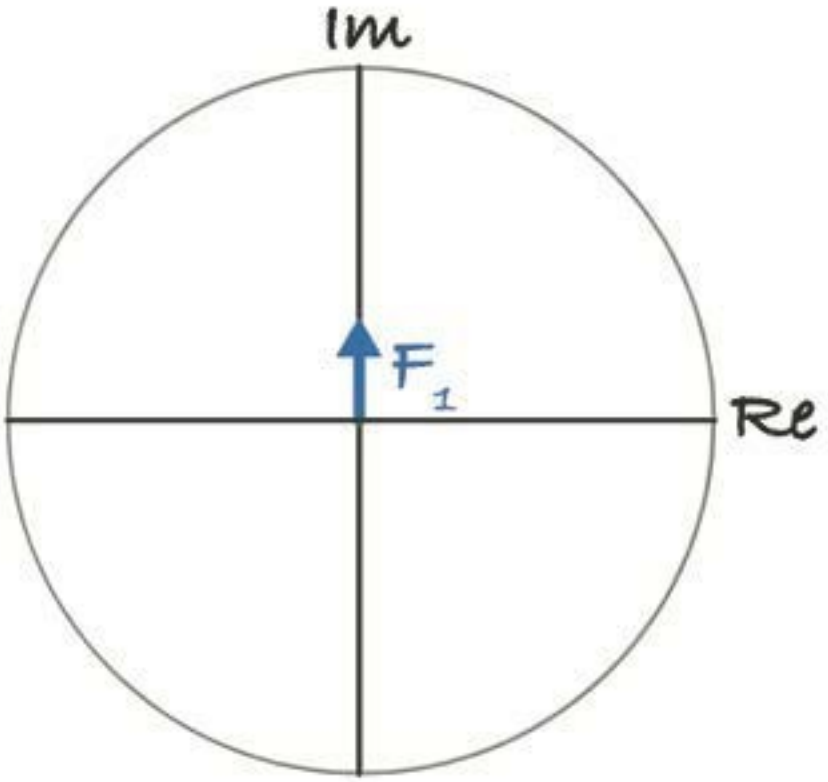
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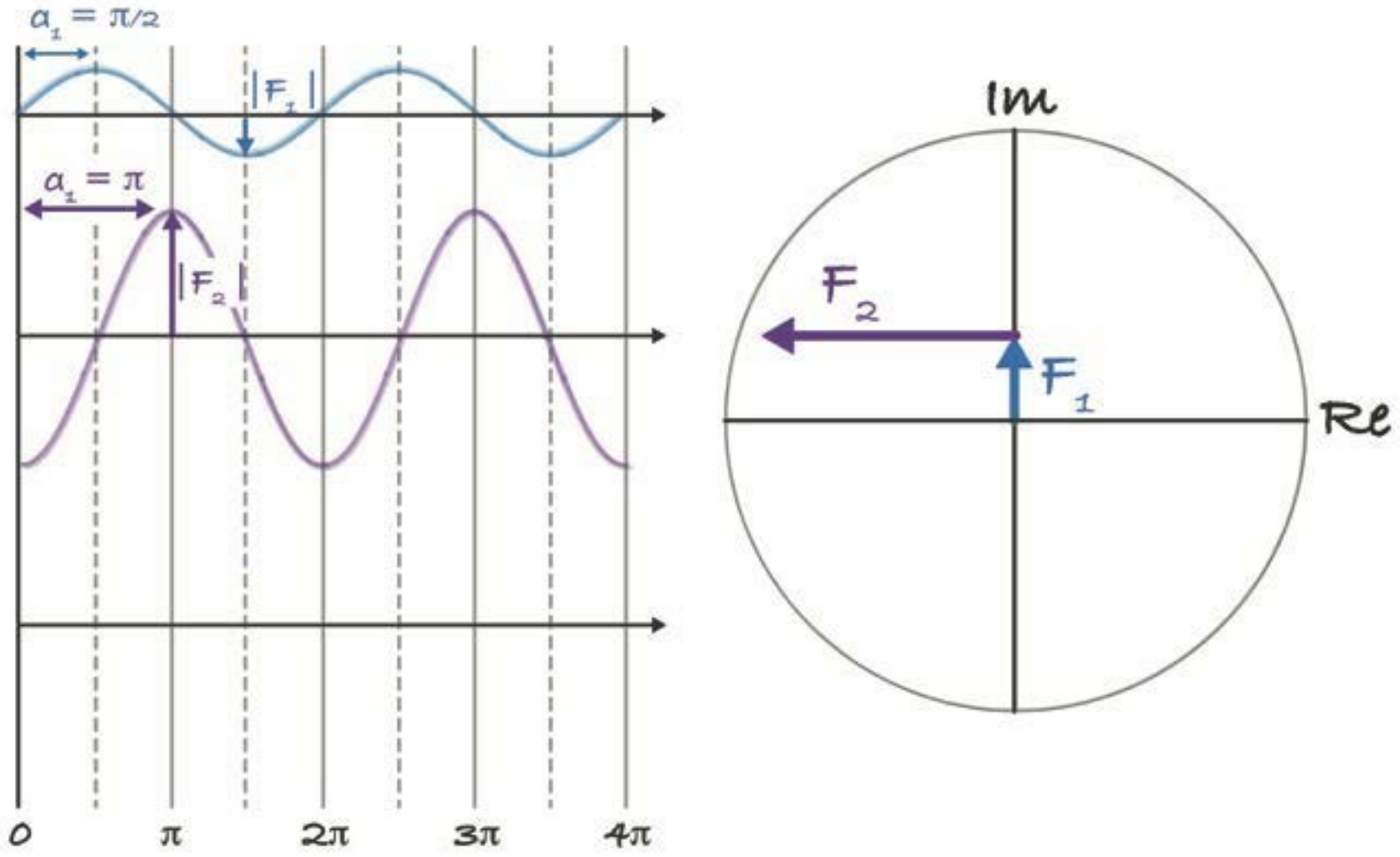
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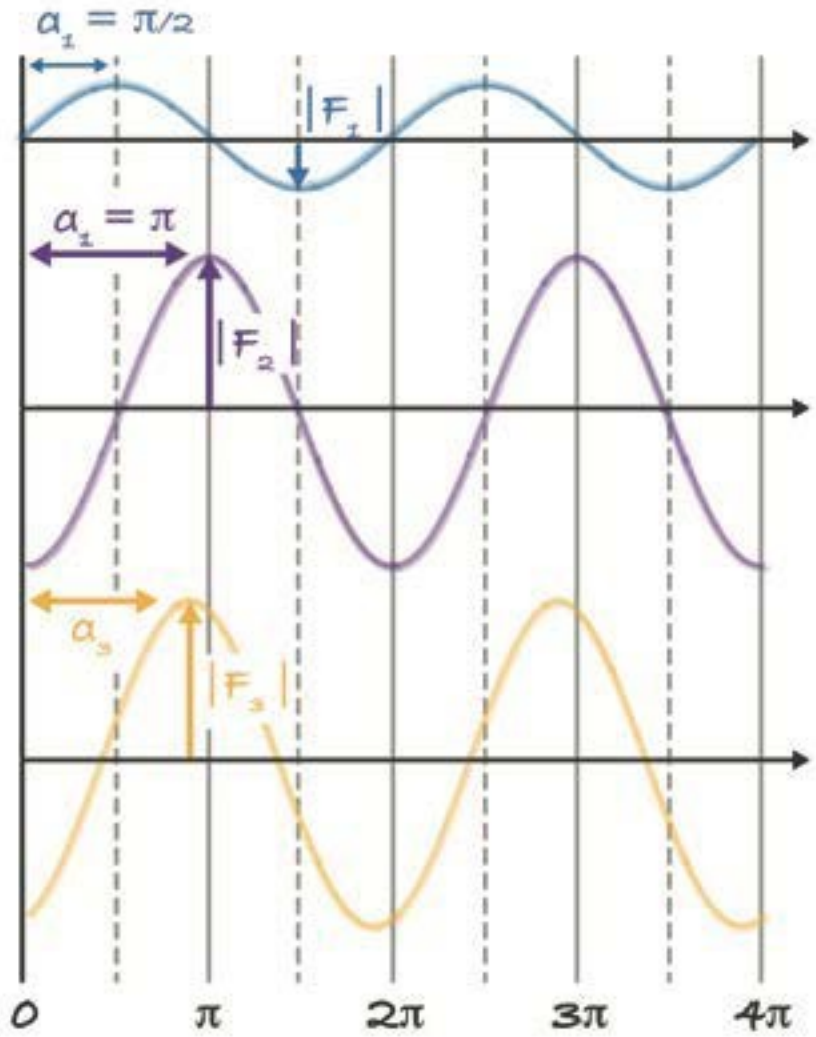



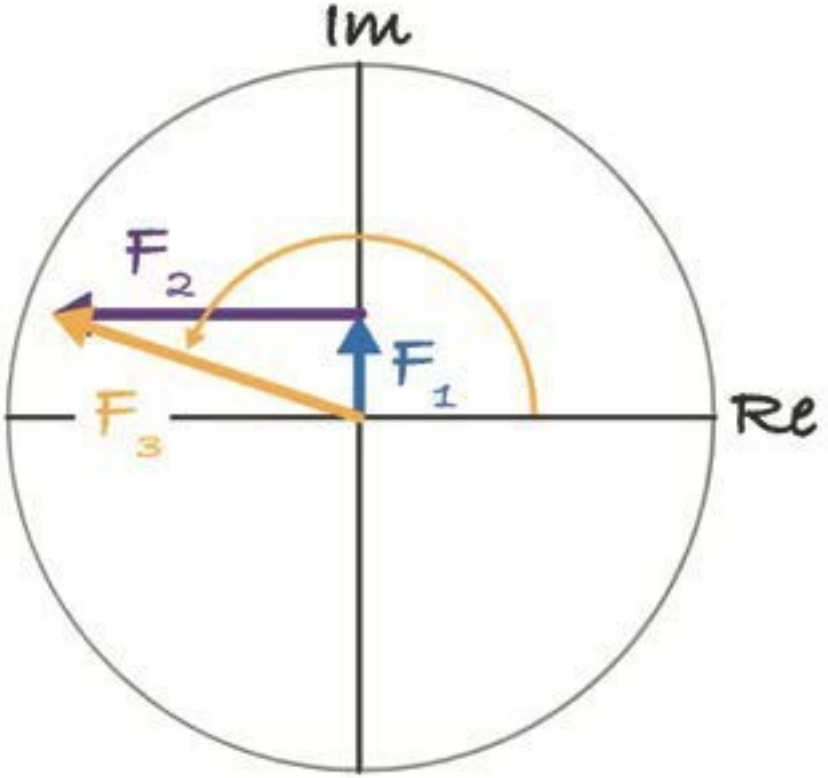

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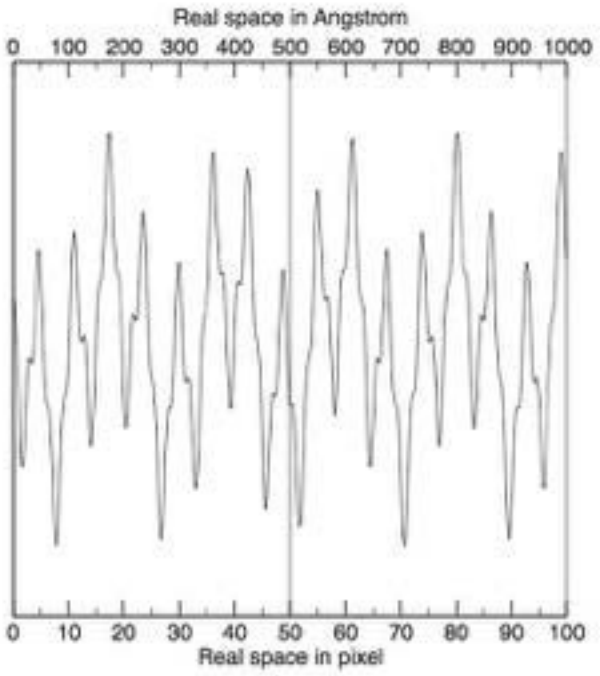


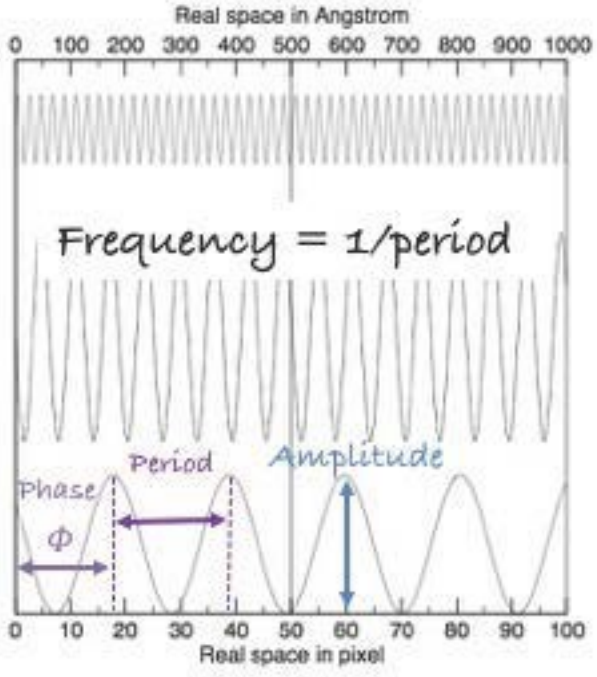

$$f(x) = \sum_{h=1}^{N} F(v)\, e^{-2\pi i v x} dv$$

# Deconstructing periodic functions

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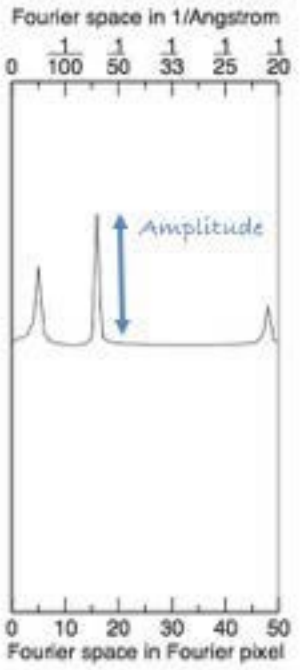



Signal




Wave components

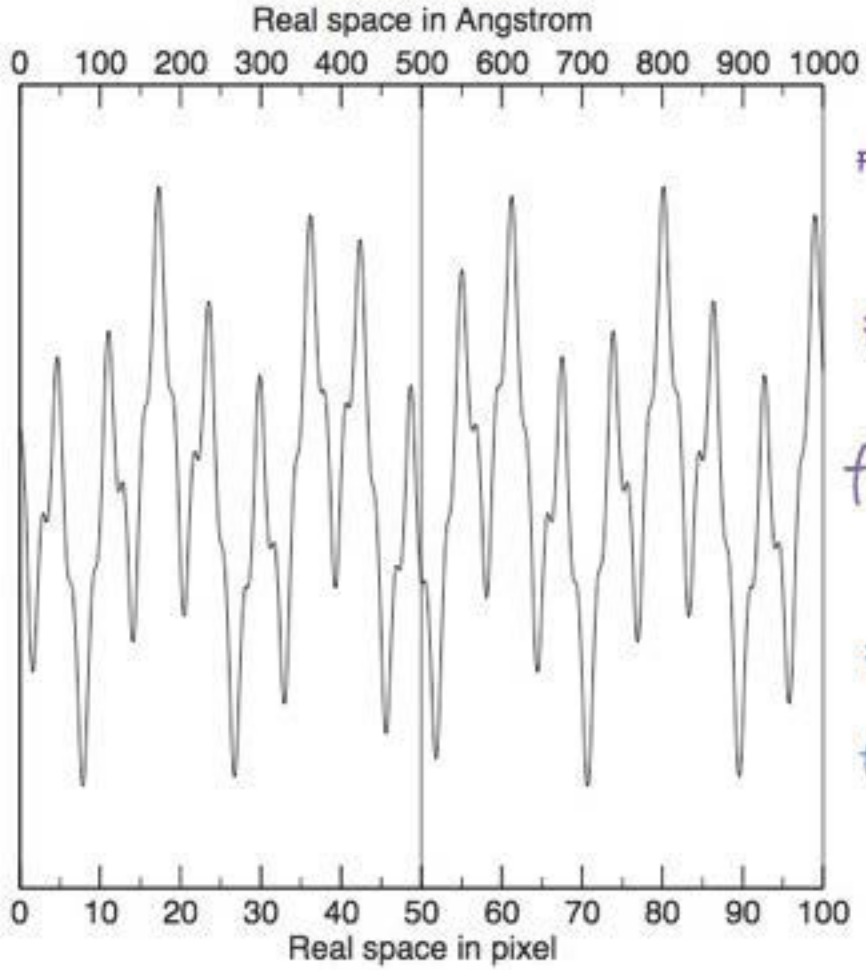
## Frequency domain




Fourier components

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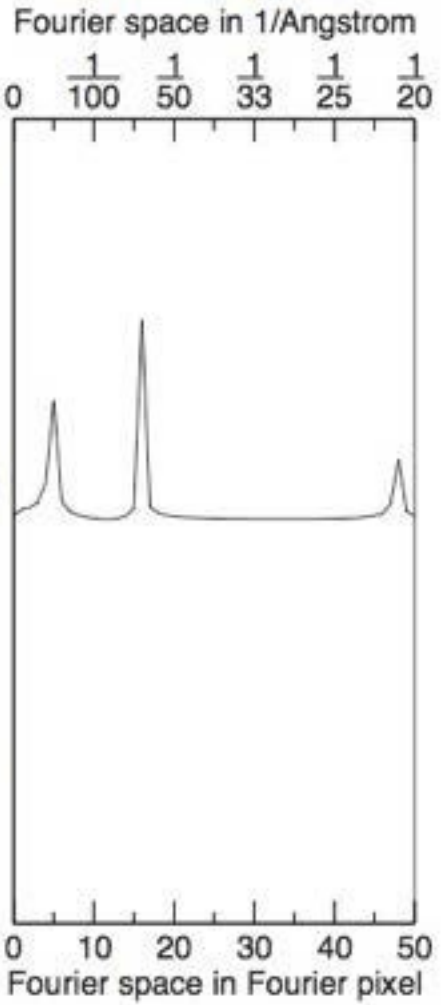
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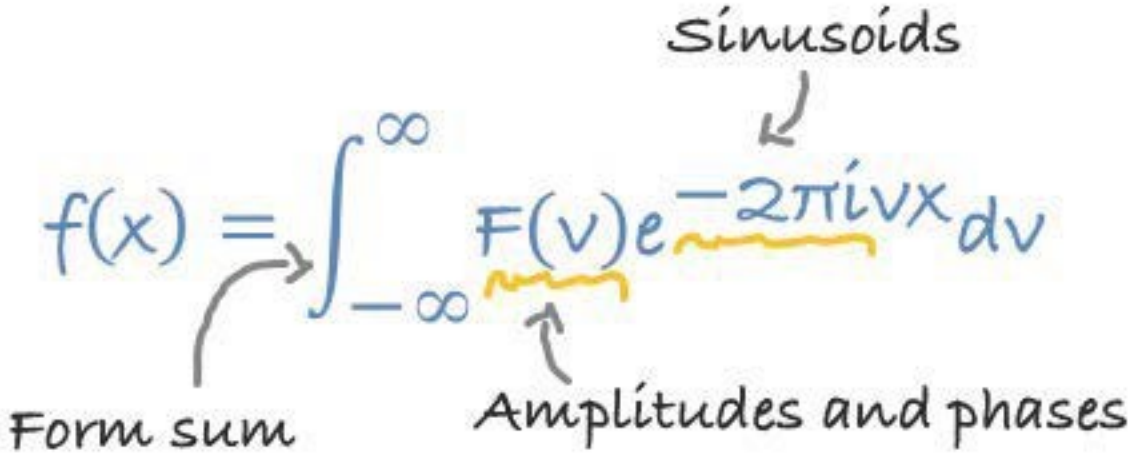
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## Frequency space



# The Fourier transform demystified




- The Fourier allows to switch representation of a function from one domain to another
- Simple instruction how to perform addition and multiplications of sinusoid terms
- Frequency representation can be very useful to perform operations on signal

# I FATTORI DI STRUTTURA

- Quando i raggi X colpiscono il detector producono un segnale con una certa intensità **I**
- Quel segnale dipende dalla somma dei segnali

di tutti gli atomi presenti nella cella unitaria.

La sommatoria di tutte le onde diffratte che danno luogo al segnale in uno specifico punto dello spazio reciproco (che corrisponde alla diffrazione di una famiglia di piani hkl) è il fattore di struttura F(hkl)

$$F_{hkl} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} f_j e^{2\pi i (hx_j + ky_j + lz_j)}.$$

# Relazione tra fattori di struttura e densità elettronica

$$F_{hkl} = \int_x \int_y \int_z \rho(x, y, z) e^{2\pi i (hx+ky+lz)} \, dx \, dy \, dz,$$

o anche

$$F_{hkl} = \int_V \rho(x, y, z) e^{2\pi i (hx+ky+lz)} \, dV$$

Poiché come abbiamo visto la trasformata di Fourier è un'operazione Matematica reversibile abbiamo anche

$$\rho(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_h \sum_k \sum_l F_{hkl} e^{-2\pi i (hx+ky+lz)},$$

Abbiamo che in questo caso l'integrale è sostituito da una sommatoria Perché i fattori di struttura sono rappresentati da grandezze discrete nello spazio Reciproco (spot di una certa intensità)

In pratica la trasformata di Fourier mette in relazione la funzione Densità elettronica Nello spazio reale con i Fattori di struttura nello spazio reciproco

**Per approfondire il concetto che ogni oggetto può essere descritto come una sommatoria di onde** prendetevi il tempo di guardare questi 2 video.

Ricordate che secondo Eulero un onda può essere descritta come **un vettore** con un certo raggio (**ampiezza**) **che ruota** sul piano immaginario ad una certa velocità (**frequenza**) partendo da un certo angolo (**fase**):

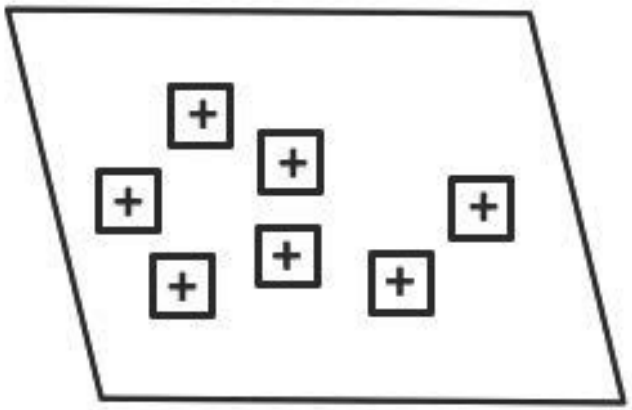
**Epicycles, complex Fourier series and Homer Simpson's orbit**
(25 min)
https://youtu.be/qS4H6PEcCCA

**But what is a Fourier series? From heat flow to circle drawings**
(24 min)
https://youtu.be/r6sGWTCMz2k

# Reconstruction of electron density

Immaginiamo di avere un cristallo bidimensionale, con la cella unitaria come in figura.

Come sarà il «pattern» di diffrazione
Degli oggetti contenuti nella cella unitaria ?

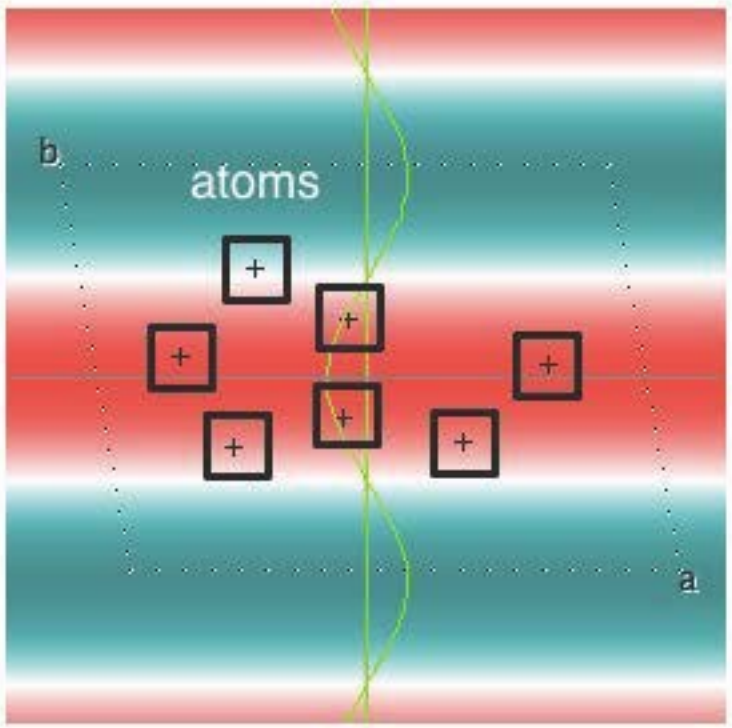


# Reconstruction of electron density in X-ray crystallography

$$\rho(x,y) = \frac{1}{A}\sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty}\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty}\mathbf{F}_{hk}\exp[-2\pi i(hx+ky)$$

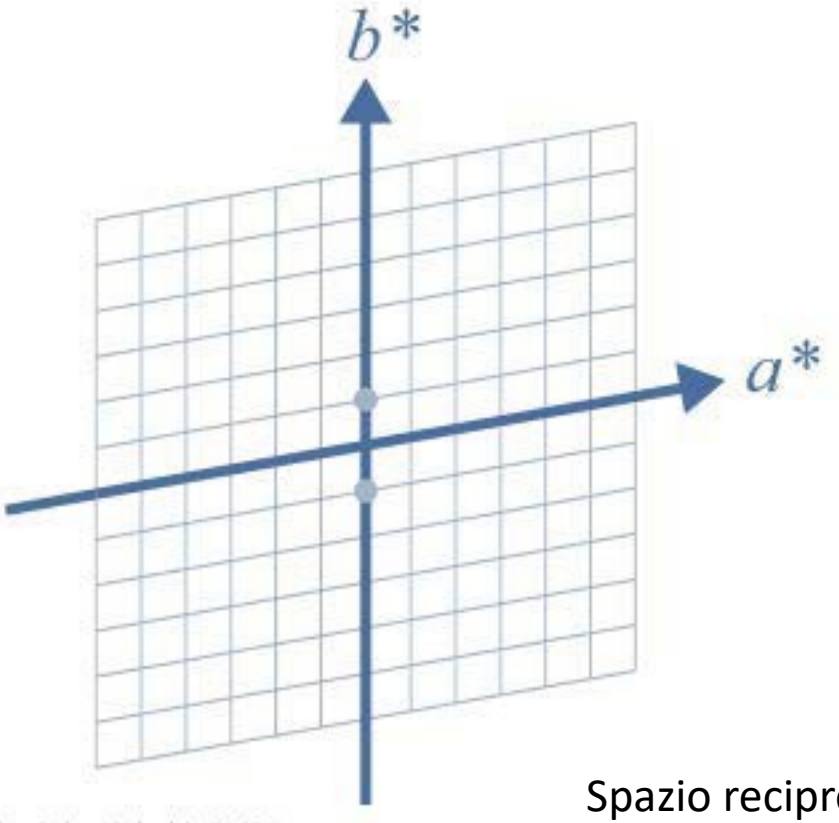
La trasformata di fourier del riflesso 0 1 è semplicemente una funzione sinusoidale con la densità elettronica nel piano 0 1 con picchi positivi (rosso) e picchi negativi (blu)

Spazio reale




h=0,k=1

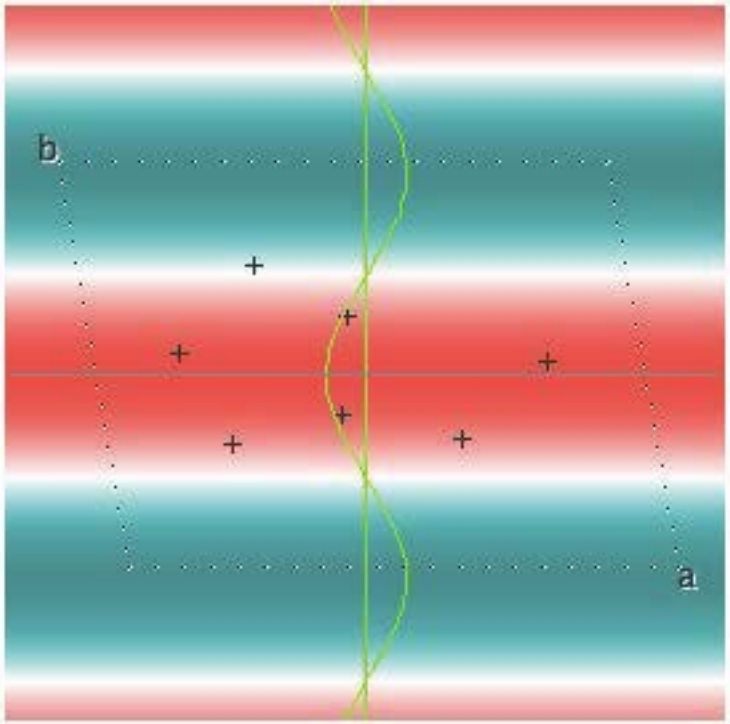
$\mathbf{F}_{01}$




Spazio reciproco

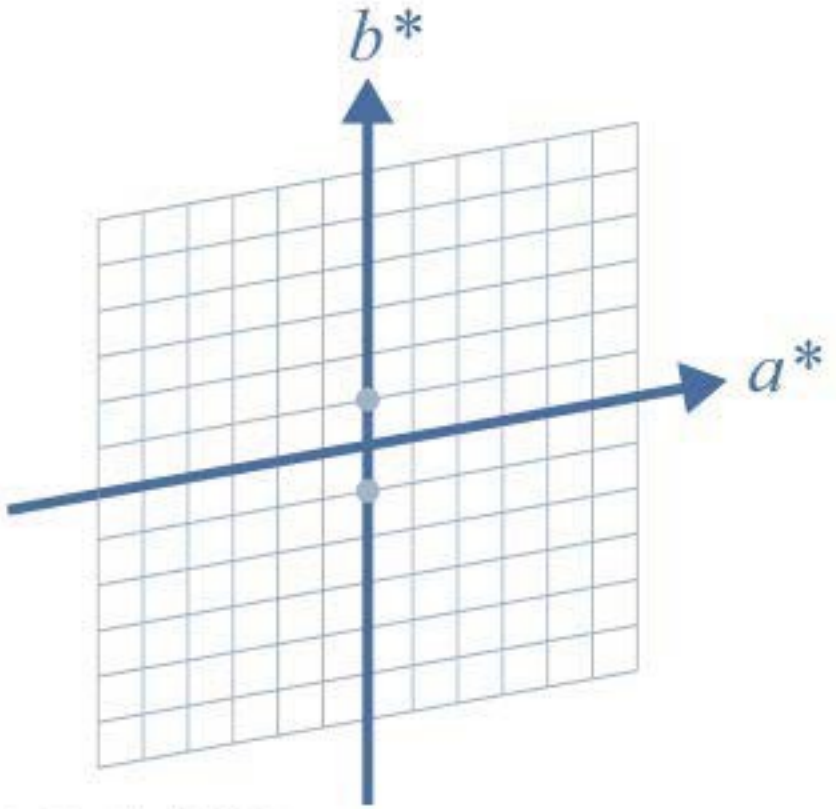
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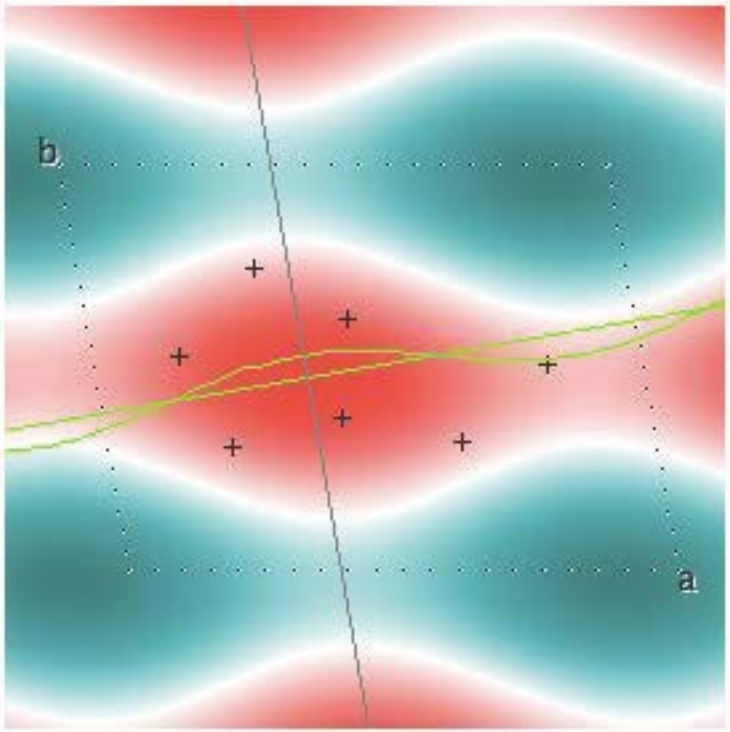
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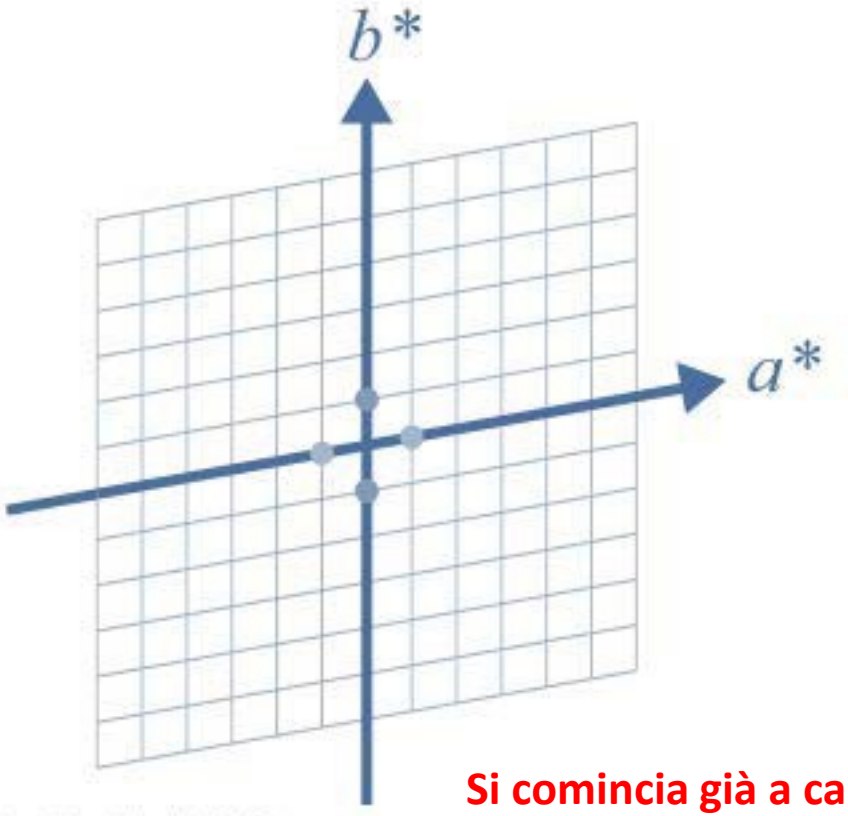
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Quando calcolo la trasformata di fourier dei fattori di struttura di due riflessi F1,0 e F0,1, possiamo apprezzare l'interferenza tra i due. Densità positiva (rossa, quando il il rosso incontra il rosso ; densità nulla (bianca, quando il rosso incontra il blu); densità negativa (blu quando il blu incontra il blu ).




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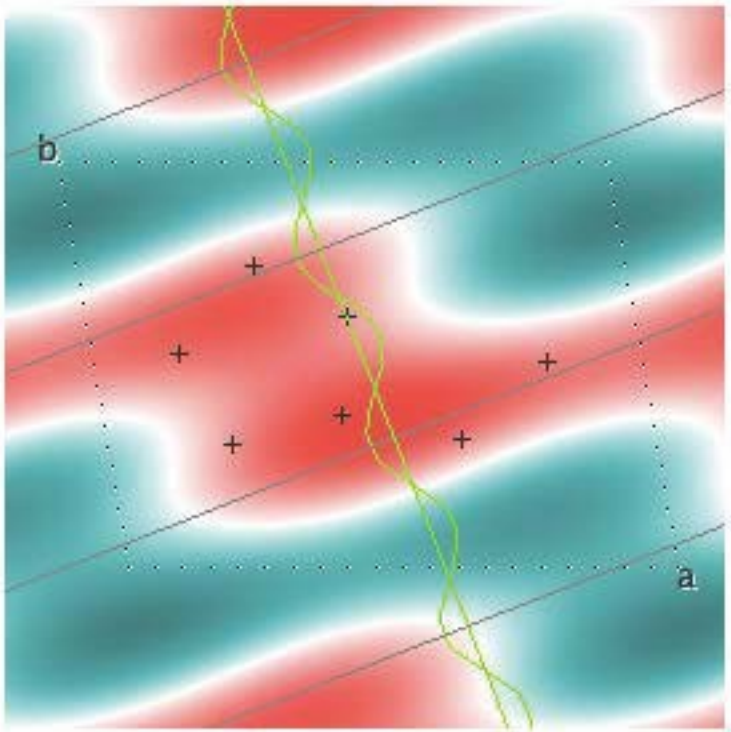
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**Si comincia già a capire**
**Dove si trova la molecola**

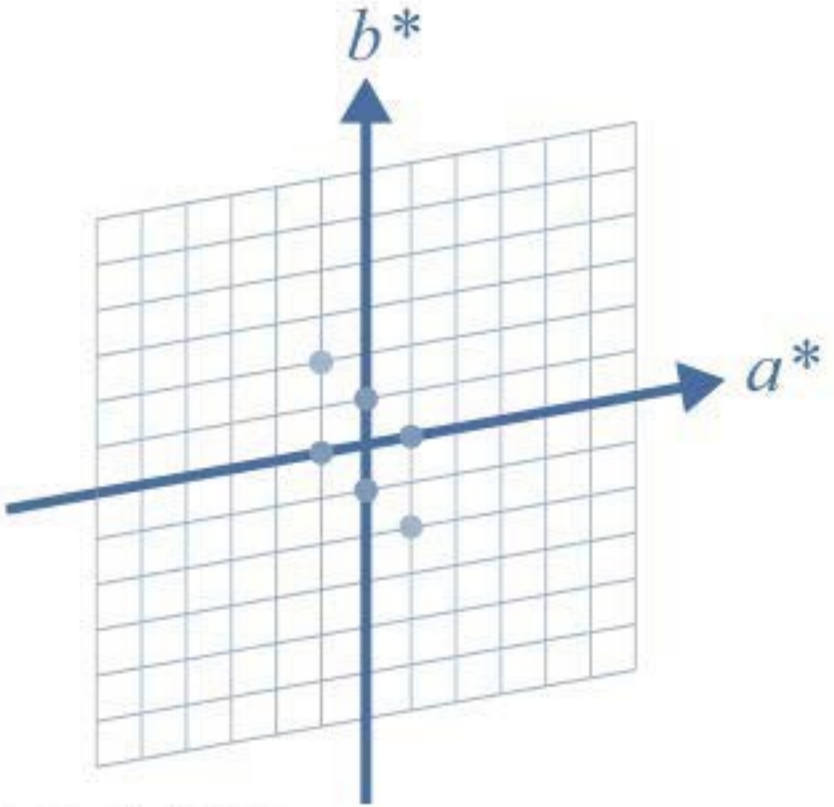
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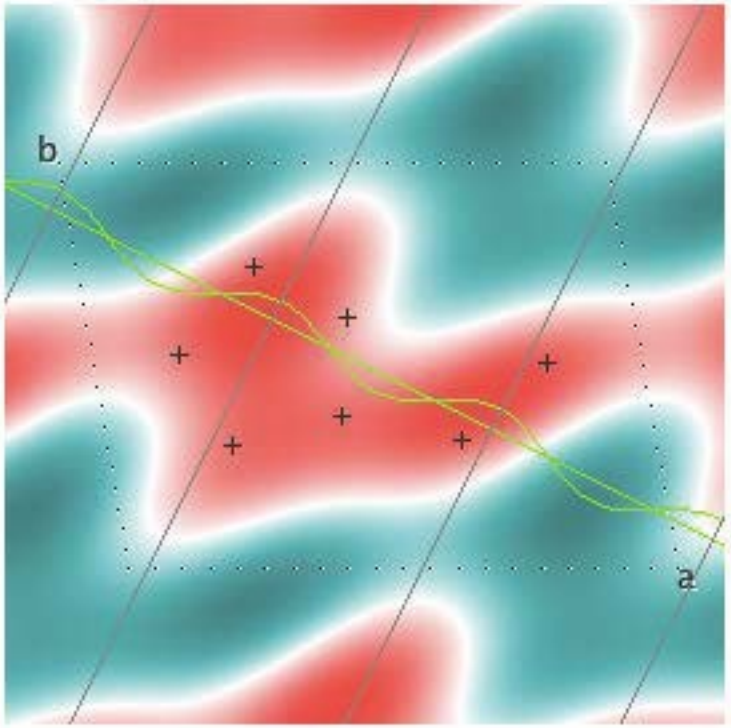

h=-1,k=2

$\mathbf{F}_{-12}$



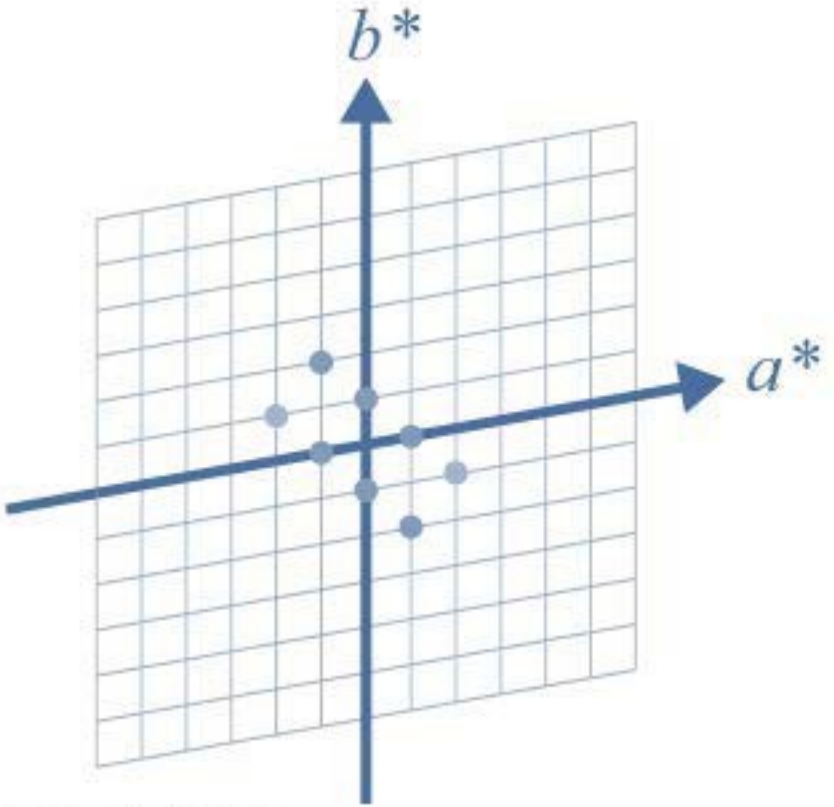
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h=-2,k=1

$\mathbf{F}_{-21}$

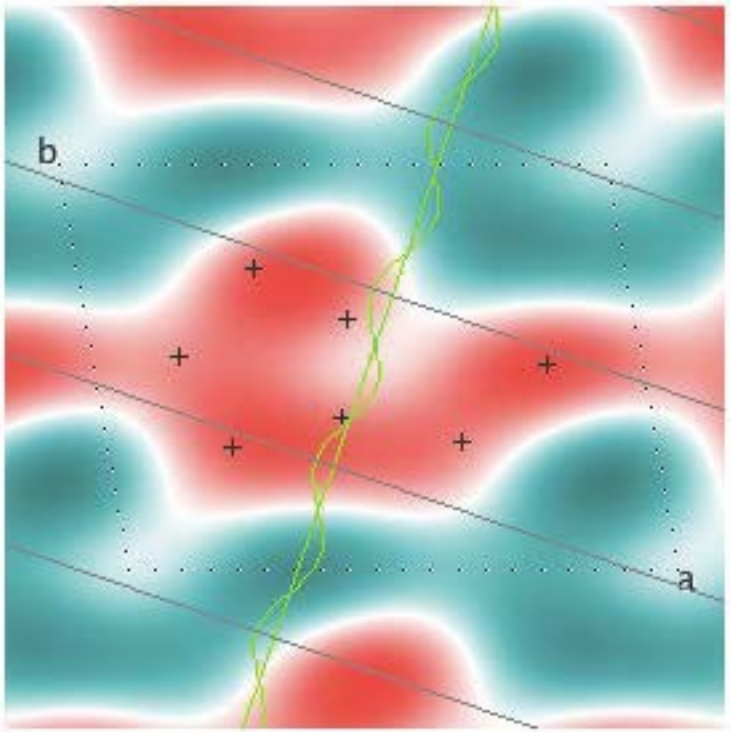


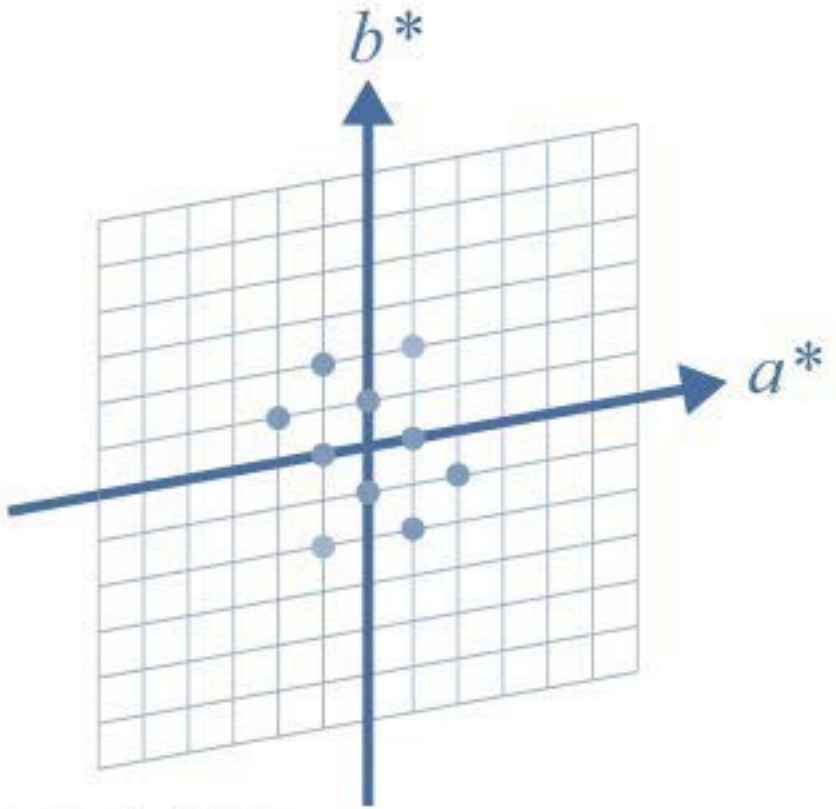
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h=1,k=2

$\mathbf{F}_{12}$



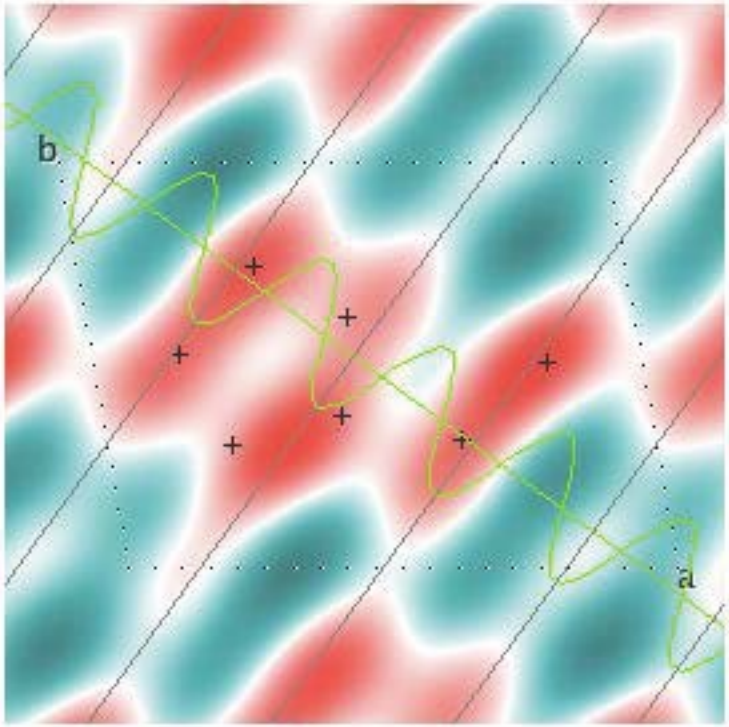



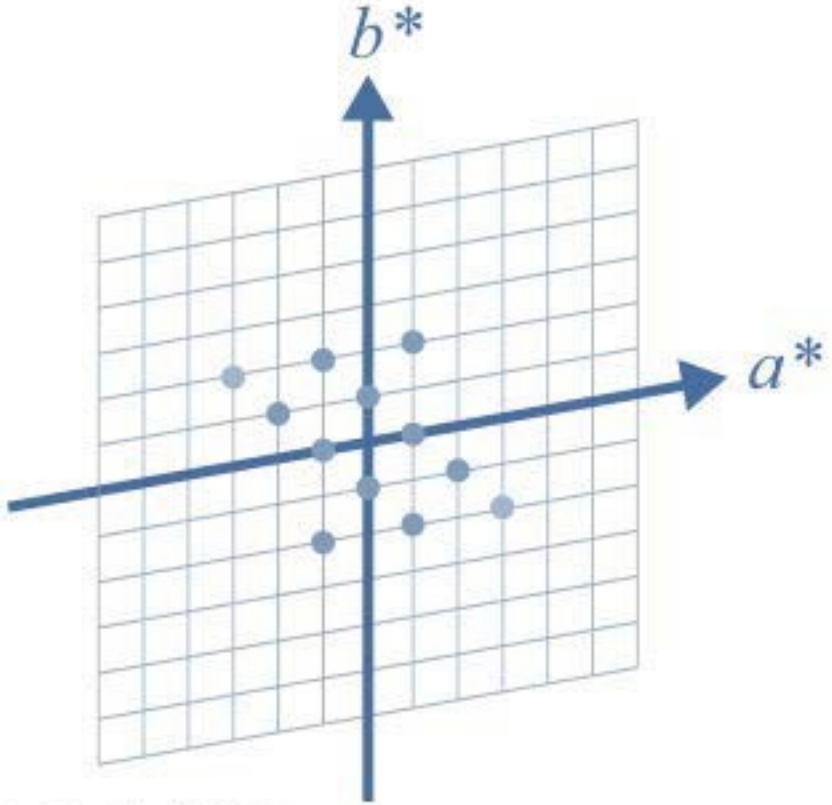
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h=3,k=-2

$\mathbf{F}_{3\text{-}2}$



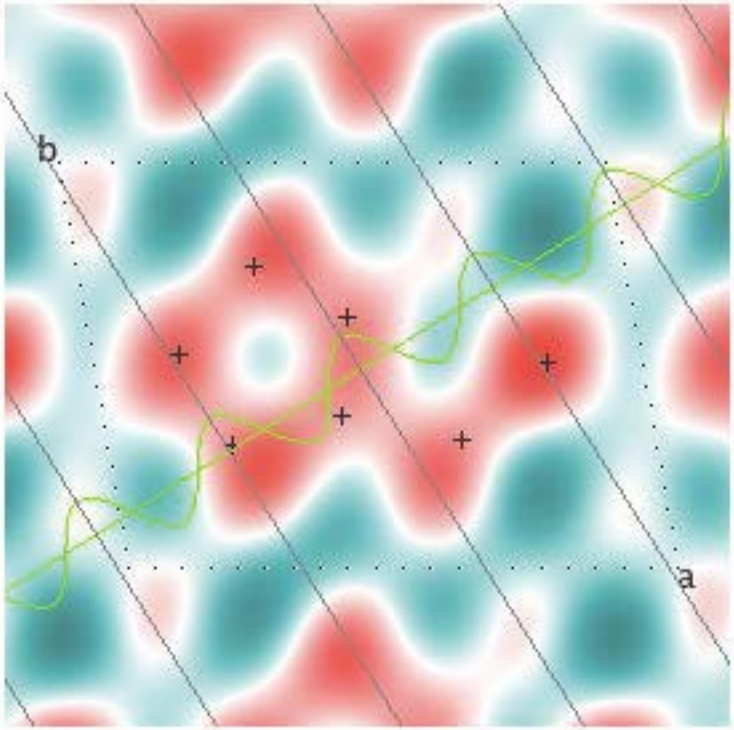



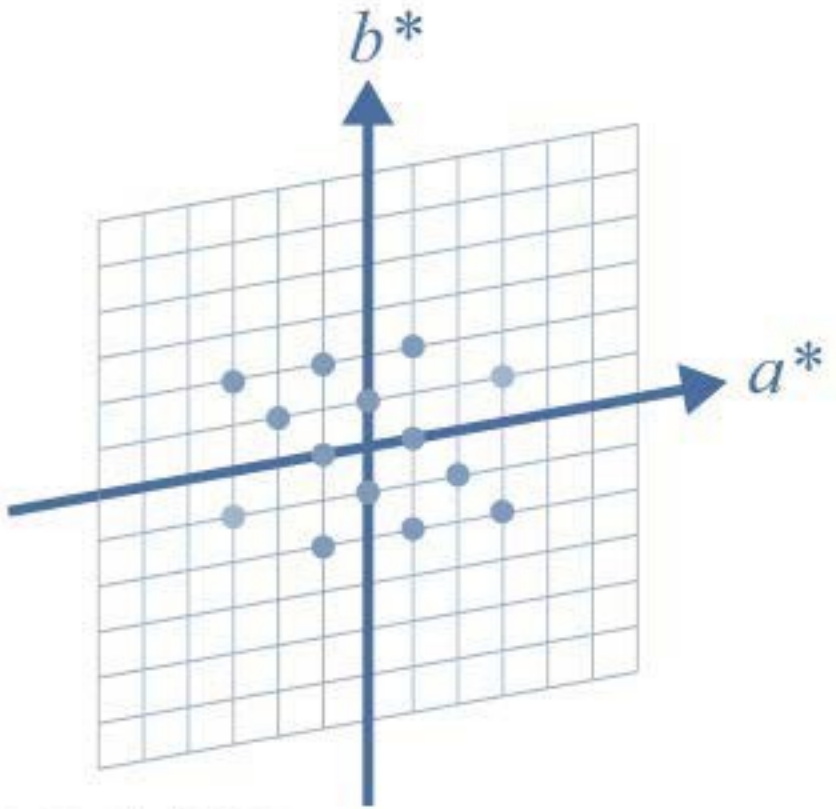
# Reconstruction of electron density in X-ray crystallography

$$\rho(x,y) = \frac{1}{A}\left\{\mathbf{F}_{01}e^{i\varphi_{01}} + \mathbf{F}_{10}e^{i\varphi_{10}} + \mathbf{F}_{\bar{1}2}e^{i\varphi_{\bar{1}2}} + \mathbf{F}_{\bar{2}1}e^{i\varphi_{\bar{2}1}} + \mathbf{F}_{12}e^{i\varphi_{12}} + \mathbf{F}_{3\bar{2}}e^{i\varphi_{3\bar{2}}} + \mathbf{F}_{31}e^{i\varphi_{31}}\right\}$$

h=3,k=1

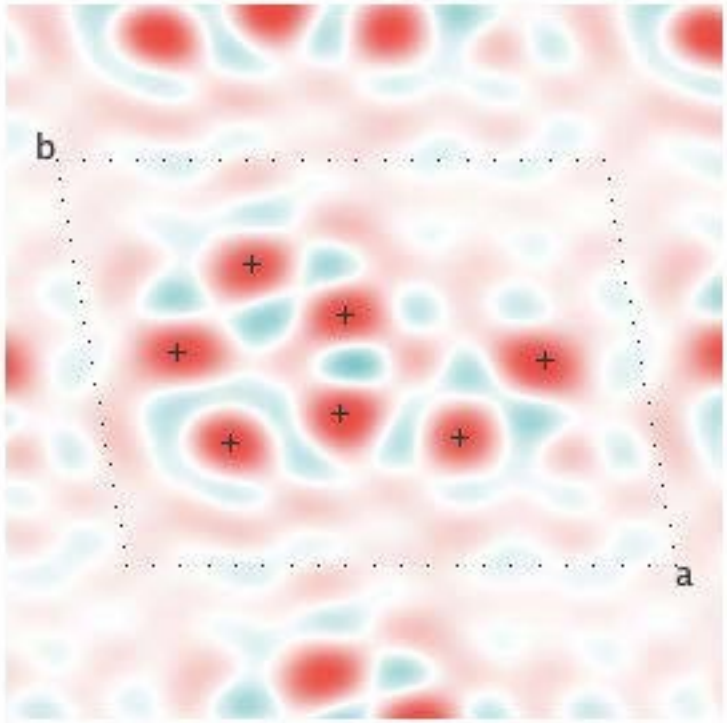
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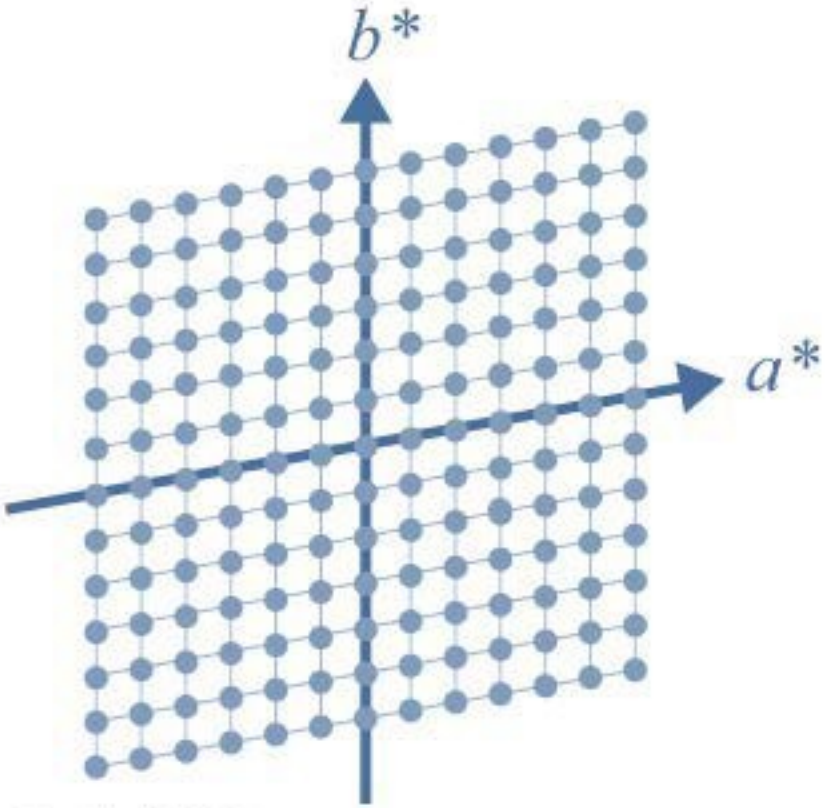


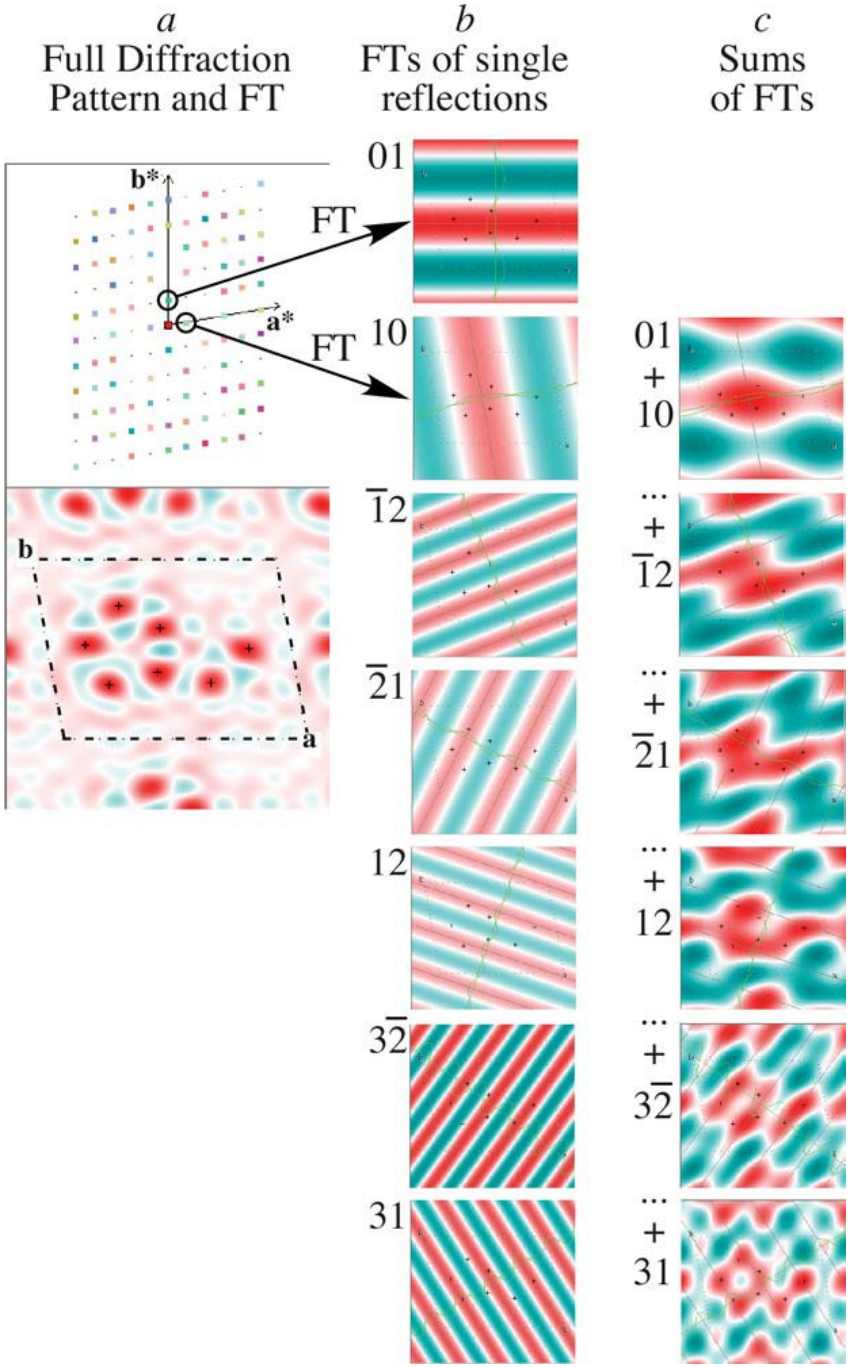



# Reconstruction of electron density in X-ray crystallography

$$\rho(x,y) = \frac{1}{A} \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{F}_{hk} \exp[-2\pi i(hx + ky)$$




a
Full Diffraction Pattern and FT
b
FTs of single reflections
c
Sums of FTs
b*
a*
FT
FT
b
a
01
10
$\bar{1}2$
$\bar{2}1$
12
$3\bar{2}$
31
01 + 10
... + $\bar{1}2$
... + $\bar{2}1$
... + 12
... + $3\bar{2}$
... + 31