

state is due not to the gross laminations but to the fine structure which Meshkovski and Shalnikov¹⁰ found to be interspersed within the normal laminations in their measurements on large spheres. It is possible that the mean spacing of this fine structure is determined more by the local variations of impurities and strains than by the external geometry of the specimen.

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Electric Field and Energy in Dipole Lattices*

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IN theories of ferroelectric crystals, the evaluation of the electric field produced by dipole lattices in every lattice point is needed. A very simple method, which generalizes Ewald's¹ ideas for dipoles, is presented here.

Consider a dipole \mathbf{p} and a spherically symmetrical function $f(r)$ defined in such a manner that

$$\int f(r)dv(r) = 1, \quad (1)$$

and

$$f(r) = 0 \quad \text{for } r \geq R. \quad (2)$$

Then it can be shown that

$$\sigma(r) = -\mathbf{p} \cdot \text{grad}f(r) \quad (3)$$

is the "equivalent electric density of the dipole \mathbf{p} ;" in other words, the potential V at a point \mathbf{R} is given by the classical Coulombian expression,

$$V(\mathbf{R}) = \int \frac{\sigma(r)}{|\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{r}|} dv(r) = \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{R}/R^3. \quad (4)$$

The author has previously developed a method for the calculation of fields, potentials, and energies² in ionic lattices when the charge density around every point of the lattice is given. When this method is applied to the case of periodical lattices of dipoles \mathbf{p}_j in points \mathbf{r}_j of the unit cell with charge densities of the form,³ then the following relations are found to hold for the interaction energy W and the field \mathbf{E}_j in a lattice point \mathbf{r}_j with moment \mathbf{p}_j :

$$W = (2\pi V^{-1}) \sum_{\mathbf{h}} [\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{h}) \varphi(h)/h]^2 - (2\pi/3) \sum_j \mathbf{p}_j^2 \int f^2(r) dv(r), \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{E}_j = -\partial W / \partial \mathbf{p}_j = -(4\pi V^{-1}) \sum_{\mathbf{h}} [\varphi(h)/h]^2 [\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{h})] \mathbf{h} \\ \times \exp(-2\pi i \mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j) - (4\pi/3) \mathbf{p}_j \int f^2(r) dv(r). \quad (6)$$

The notation is as follows: the first summation $\sum_{\mathbf{h}}$ in Eq. (5) is over all the points \mathbf{h} of the reciprocal space. The second summation \sum_j is over the unit cell of volume V . $\varphi(h)$ is the Fourier transform of $f(r)$.

The method allows one readily to take into account the symmetry of the particular space-group by the use of the "dipole structure factor":

$$\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{h}) = \sum_j \mathbf{p}_j \exp(2\pi i \mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j). \quad (7)$$

$f(r)$ and its Fourier transform $\varphi(h)$ can be chosen in such a way as to yield rapidly convergent series.

The field \mathbf{E}_j is a linear function of the moments \mathbf{p}_j , the coefficients of which are the Lorentz factors. The field in points \mathbf{r}_j exterior to atoms has the same form as Eq. (6) but without the last term. It can be shown that in the modification of the Ewald method, as used for instance by Schweinler³ in the case of dipoles,

$f(r)$ is a Gaussian function; but then two series are needed. The physical interpretation is the same as in the ionic case of charges only and has been given first by Ewald⁴ and by the author² in a slightly different form. The second series is merely a correction due to the overlapping of Gaussian charges. The idea of the "equivalent electric density" can be generalized for multipoles. A more detailed paper on the entire subject will appear later.

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Structure and Mass Spectrum of Elementary Particles. I. General Considerations

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AS discussed in previous papers,¹ the nonlocal field was introduced in order to describe relativistically a system which was elementary in the sense that it could no longer be decomposed into more elementary constituents, but was so substantial, nevertheless, as to be able to contain implicitly a great variety of particles with different masses, spins, and other intrinsic properties. However, the conclusions reached so far were very unsatisfactory in many respects.² Among other things, the masses of the particles associated with the irreducible nonlocal fields remained completely arbitrary and simple and plausible assumptions concerning the interaction between fields did not result in the expected convergence of self-energies. It seems to the author that these disappointing consequences are not inherent in nonlocal field theory, in general, but are rather related to the particular type of field to which the author restricted himself. Instead, if we start anew from less restricted nonlocal fields, a more promising aspect of possible nonlocal theories is revealed, as shown in the following.

Let us take a scalar (or pseudoscalar) nonlocal field,

$$(x_{\mu}' | \varphi | x_{\mu}'') \equiv \varphi(X_{\mu}, r_{\mu}),$$

where x_{μ}' , x_{μ}'' ($\mu = 1, 2, 3, 4$) stand for two sets of space-time parameters and

$$X_{\mu} = (x_{\mu}' + x_{\mu}'')/2, \quad r_{\mu} = x_{\mu}' - x_{\mu}''.$$

The free field equation is supposed to have a general form

$$F(\partial/\partial X_{\mu}, r_{\mu}, \partial/\partial r_{\mu}) \varphi(X_{\mu}, r_{\mu}), \quad (1)$$

where the operator F is a certain invariant function of $\partial/\partial X_{\mu}$, r_{μ} , and $\partial/\partial r_{\mu}$ and is independent of X_{μ} so that it is invariant under any inhomogeneous Lorentz transformation. In particular, if we assume that F is linear in $\partial^2/\partial X_{\mu} \partial X_{\mu}$ and separable, i.e.,

$$F \equiv \frac{\partial^2}{\partial X_{\mu} \partial X_{\mu}} + F^{(\nu)} \left(r_{\mu}^{(\nu)}, \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_{\mu} \partial r_{\mu}}, r_{\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial r_{\mu}} \right), \quad (2)$$

we have eigensolutions of the form $\varphi \equiv u(X)\chi(r)$, where u and χ satisfy

$$(\partial^2/\partial X_{\mu} \partial X_{\mu} - \mu)u(X) = 0, \quad (3)$$

$$(F^{(\nu)} - \mu)\chi(r) = 0, \quad (4)$$

μ being the separation constant. Thus, the masses of the free particles associated with the nonlocal field φ are given as the eigenvalues of μ^2 in Eq. (4) for the internal eigenfunction χ . If one chooses the operator $F^{(\nu)}$ such that the eigenvalues $\mu_n \equiv m_n^2$ are all positive and discrete, one can expand an arbitrary nonlocal field φ into a series of internal eigenfunctions, $\chi_n(r)$:

$$\varphi(X, r) = \sum_n u_n(X)\chi_n(r). \quad (5)$$

Now, the field equations for a scalar nonlocal field $(x' | \varphi | x'')$ interacting with a local spinor field $\psi(x')$, for instance, can be