

Prediction parameter gradients

Calculating the detector coordinates of a Bragg spot

Let \vec{R} be the vector from the center of the Ewald sphere to the reciprocal lattice point. The radius of the Ewald sphere is k_{pred} , which is $1/\lambda$ for monochromatic radiation. For wide-bandwidth radiation, take the wavelength which excites the reflection.

$$\vec{R} = \begin{pmatrix} x_l \\ y_l \\ z_l + k_{\text{pred}} \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_l \\ y_l \\ z_l \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_x^* & a_y^* & a_z^* \\ b_x^* & b_y^* & b_z^* \\ c_x^* & c_y^* & c_z^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \\ l \end{pmatrix}.$$

The direction of \vec{R} in reciprocal space is the same as the direction of the diffracted ray. The diffracted ray intersects the detector panel at pixel coordinates (X, Y) . Let the corner of the panel be \vec{C} , and the fast and slow scan basis vectors \vec{f} and \vec{s} respectively. We can write:

$$\mu \vec{R} = \vec{C} + X \vec{f} + Y \vec{s},$$

or equivalently in matrix form:

$$\mu \vec{R} = \begin{pmatrix} c_x & f_x & s_x \\ c_y & f_y & s_y \\ c_z & f_z & s_z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} = \hat{M} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}.$$

Dividing both sides by μ gives:

$$\vec{R} = \hat{M} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\mu \\ X/\mu \\ Y/\mu \end{pmatrix} = \hat{M} \vec{P},$$

which can be solved for X and Y . Since there are usually a large number of reflections, it may be better to calculate and store the inverse of \hat{M} and calculate $\vec{P} = \hat{M}^{-1} \vec{R}$ (as of version 0.11.1, CrystFEL does not do this).

Gradients of spot position

We seek $d/d\bullet(X)$ and $d/d\bullet(Y)$, where \bullet represents any parameter (e.g. c_y, f_x, a_z^*). Start by calculating $d/d\bullet(\vec{P})$ and therefore $d/d\bullet(X/\mu)$ and $d/d\bullet(Y/\mu)$, as well as $d/d\bullet(1/\mu)$. The required gradients can then be calculated using the product rule:

$$\frac{d(X/\mu)}{d\bullet} = \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{dX}{d\bullet} + X \frac{d(1/\mu)}{d\bullet},$$

rearranging to get

$$\frac{dX}{d\bullet} = \mu \left[\frac{d(X/\mu)}{d\bullet} - X \frac{d(1/\mu)}{d\bullet} \right],$$

and similarly for Y . To calculate $d/d\bullet(\vec{P})$, apply the product rule as follows:

$$\frac{d\vec{P}}{d\bullet} = \frac{d}{d\bullet}(\hat{M}^{-1} \vec{R}) = \hat{M}^{-1} \frac{d\vec{R}}{d\bullet} + \frac{d\hat{M}^{-1}}{d\bullet} \vec{R}.$$

This separates the gradients into terms which depend on the detector geometry ($\frac{d\hat{M}^{-1}}{d\bullet}$) and terms which depend on the diffraction physics ($\frac{d\vec{R}}{d\bullet}$).

Detector geometry terms

Convert the derivative of the inverse matrix into the derivative of the original matrix using:

$$\frac{d}{d\bullet} \hat{M}^{-1} = -\hat{M}^{-1} \frac{d\hat{M}}{d\bullet} \hat{M}^{-1}.$$

Physics terms

The gradients of \vec{R} are calculated in vector form by routine `ray_vector_gradient()` inside CrystFEL. The gradient with respect to the reciprocal axis length $|a^*|$ is

$$\frac{d\vec{R}}{d|\vec{a}^*|} = \frac{h\vec{a}^*}{|\vec{a}^*|},$$

and similarly for $|b^*|$ and $|c^*|$. The vector gradients of \vec{R} with respect to rotations around x , y and z are respectively

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -z_l \\ y_l \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} z_l \\ 0 \\ -x_l \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -y_l \\ x_l \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The gradients of \vec{R} with respect to reciprocal inter-axial angles α^* , β^* and γ^* are calculated starting with the following conventions:

- Increasing α^* rotates the b^* axis around $c^* \wedge b^*$.
- Increasing β^* rotates the c^* axis around $a^* \wedge c^*$.
- Increasing γ^* rotates the a^* axis around $b^* \wedge a^*$.

All rotations follow the right hand grip rule convention. For small rotations, the general rotation matrix is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\theta u_z & \theta u_y \\ \theta u_z & 1 & -\theta u_x \\ -\theta u_y & \theta u_x & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where (u_x, u_y, u_z) is the rotation axis and θ is the small rotation angle. The gradient of this matrix with respect to θ is simply

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -u_z & u_y \\ u_z & 0 & -u_x \\ -u_y & u_x & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

which leads to the following gradients (in each case with the axis defined as listed above):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\vec{R}}{d\alpha^*} &= -k (u_z b_y^* + u_y b_z^*), \\ \frac{d\vec{R}}{d\beta^*} &= -l (u_z c_y^* + u_y c_z^*), \\ \frac{d\vec{R}}{d\gamma^*} &= -h (u_z a_y^* + u_y a_z^*). \end{aligned}$$

Gradients of excitation error

The excitation error is defined as $1/\lambda - |\vec{R}|$. The gradient of excitation error is therefore

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{d}{d\bullet} |\vec{R}| &= -\frac{d}{d\bullet} \left[|\vec{R}|^2 \right]^{1/2} = -\frac{d}{d\bullet} \left[x_l^2 + y_l^2 + z_l^2 + \frac{2z_l}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \right]^{1/2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2|\vec{R}|} \left[\frac{d(x_l^2)}{d\bullet} + \frac{d(y_l^2)}{d\bullet} + \frac{d(z_l^2)}{d\bullet} + \frac{2}{\lambda} \frac{dz_l}{d\bullet} \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2|\vec{R}|} \left[2x_l \frac{dx_l}{d\bullet} + 2y_l \frac{dy_l}{d\bullet} + 2z_l \frac{dz_l}{d\bullet} + \frac{2}{\lambda} \frac{dz_l}{d\bullet} \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{|\vec{R}|} \begin{pmatrix} dx_l/d\bullet \\ dy_l/d\bullet \\ dz_l/d\bullet \end{pmatrix} \cdot \vec{R}. \end{aligned}$$

We assume that λ is a constant, so:

$$\begin{pmatrix} dx_l/d\bullet \\ dy_l/d\bullet \\ dz_l/d\bullet \end{pmatrix} = \frac{d\vec{R}}{d\bullet},$$

which allows the formulae from the previous section to be re-used.