Exercise set 1: Elastic scattering

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- $\bullet\,$ Fultz & Howe problem 4.1 and 4.2
- Find (analytically) conditions for reflections from fcc Cu, bcc Fe, and sc Ce, and draw the reciprocal lattice.

Exercise 2

This exercise is divided into several part, where we will try to build a code together to simulate simple kinematical diffraction from clusters of atoms. The goal is to use the expression for the structure factor

$$I = |F(\Delta \mathbf{k})|^2 = |\sum_{j=0}^{N} f_j e^{-2\pi i \Delta \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}_j}|^2$$
(1)

to write a simple Matlab script calculating the intensities of wavelets scattered from many atoms over a range of scattering vectors.

The script should take as input a list of atoms on the form

 $Z_n x_n y_n z_n$

where x,y,z are the fractional coordinates of an atom, and Z is the atomic number. We can use VESTA to build a model of the system we are interested in, and to export such a list. It will need some minor manual editing.

We will make some assumptions that will simplify things a bit:

- We assume that the scattering strength of an atom is equal to its atomic number, and that it is independent of scattering angle.
- For simplicity, we will calculate only one plane in reciprocal space at a time, for example the h-k plane. However, it should be possible to specify the l value we wish to use.

Your task is to start writing snippets of code that we later can try to sew together to make a working code.