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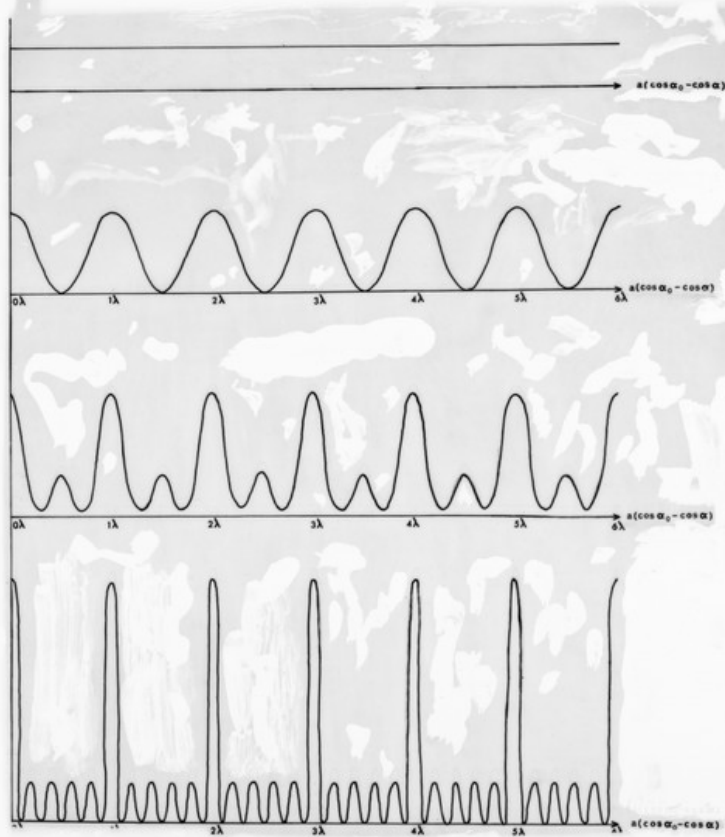
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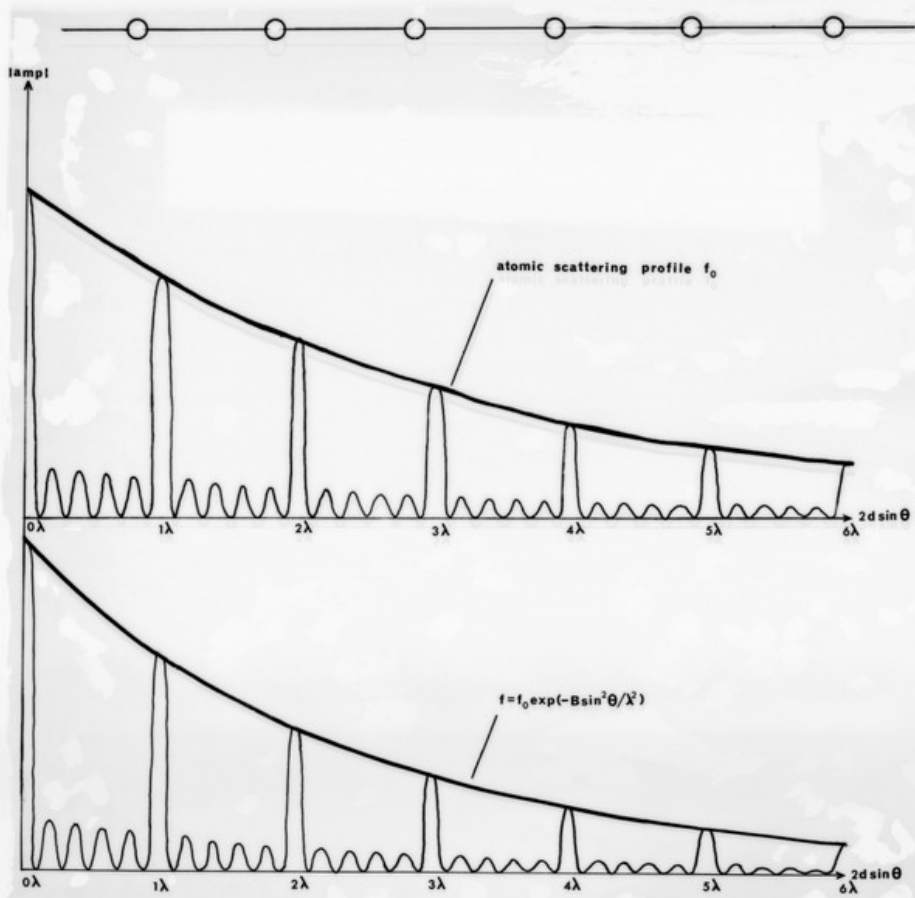
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\cos \phi & -\sin \phi & 0 \\ \sin \phi \cos \tau & -\cos \phi \sin \tau & \sin \tau \\ -\sin \phi \cos \tau & \cos \phi \sin \tau & \cos \tau \end{bmatrix}$$

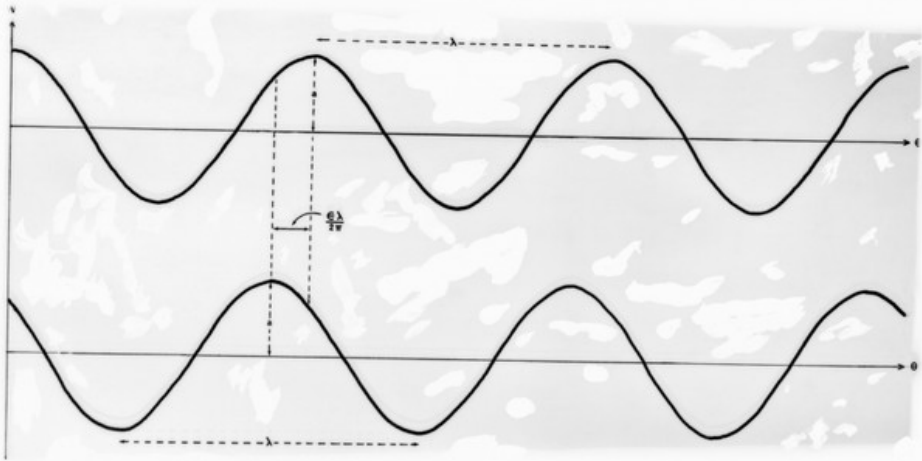
$$L = \begin{bmatrix} L \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

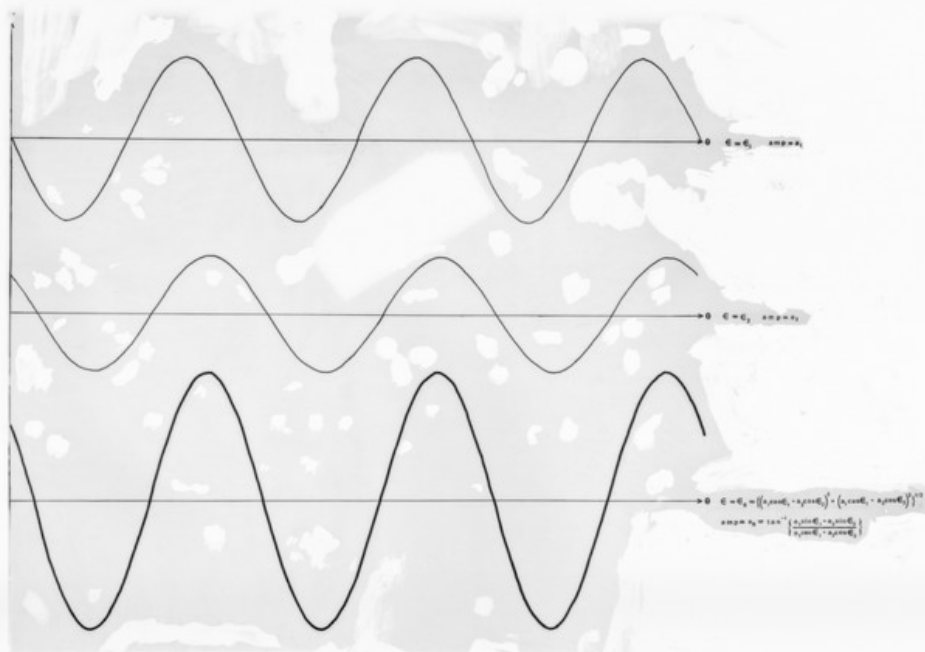
$$X_{n+1} = AX_n + L$$

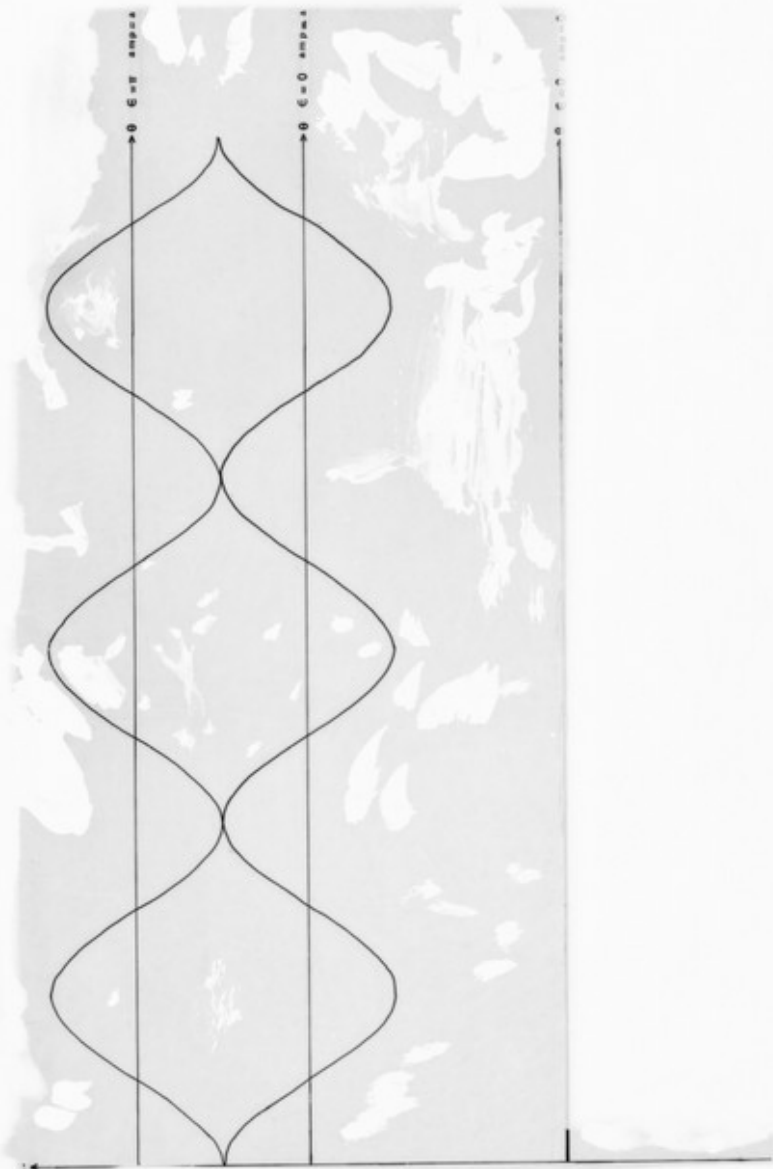
$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 \\ 0 & \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & 0 & -\sin \theta_2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_2 & 0 & \cos \theta_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_3 & -\sin \theta_3 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_3 & \cos \theta_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

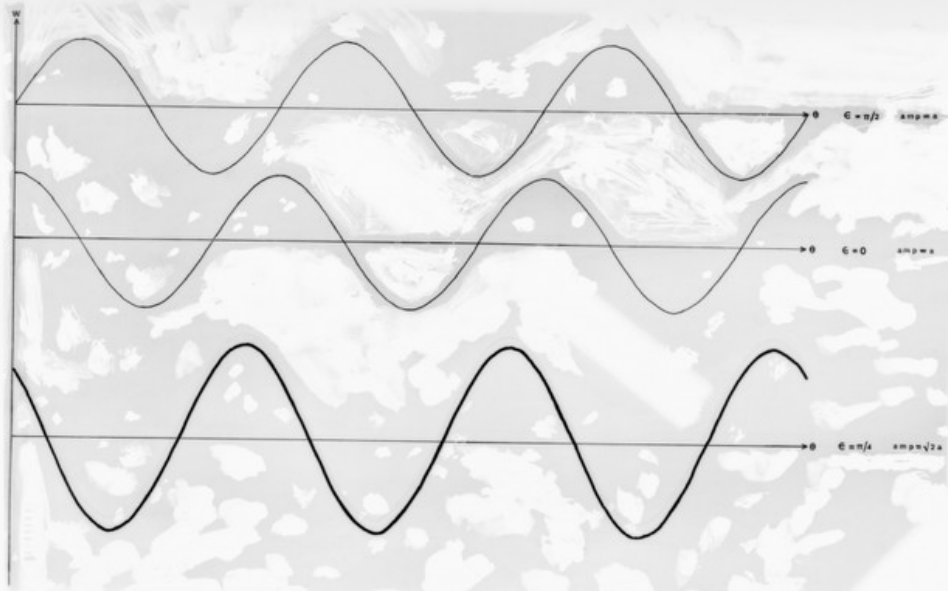




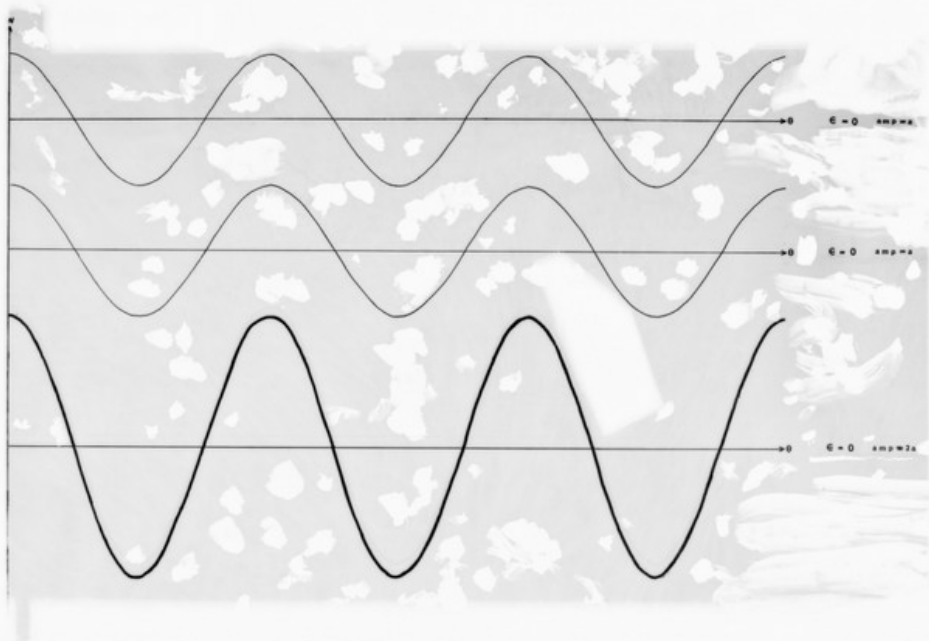








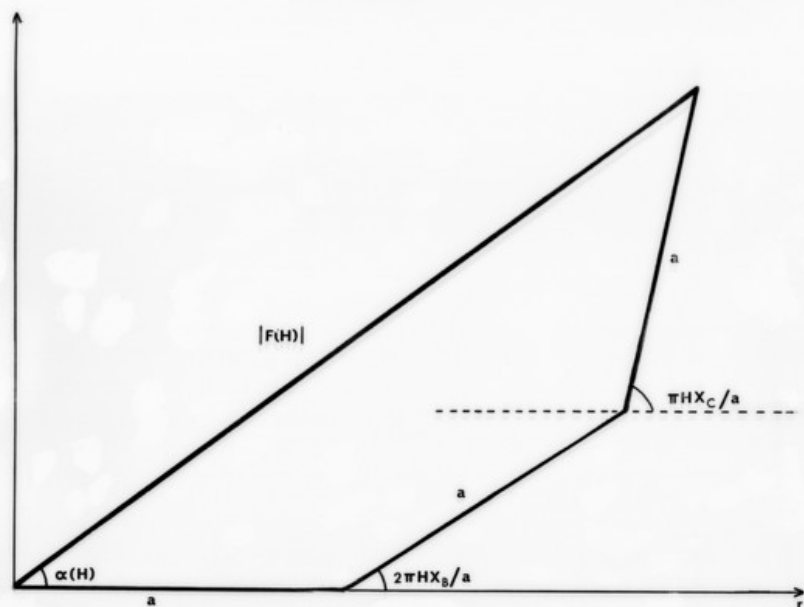
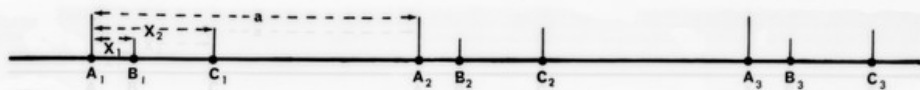


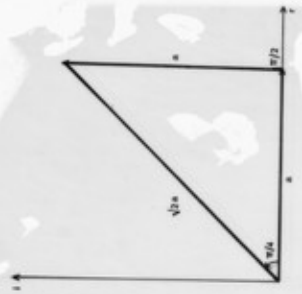
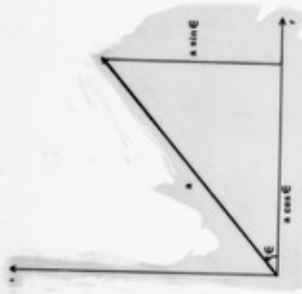


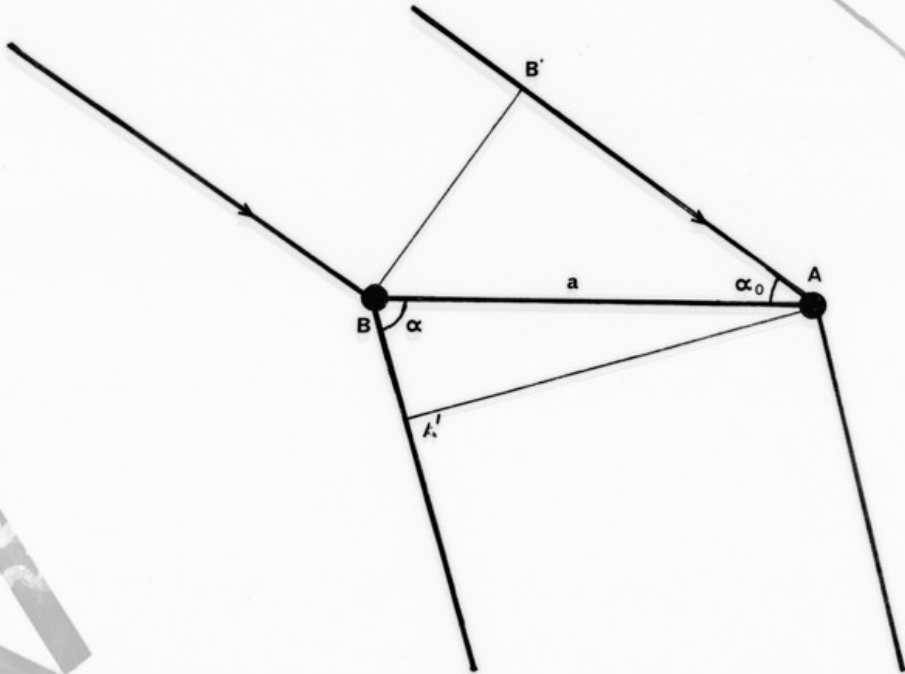
$$F(l, \psi, \xi) = \sum_n \sum_j f_j J_n(2\pi R_j \xi) \exp\{in(\psi - \phi_j + \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{2\pi l z_j}{c}\}$$

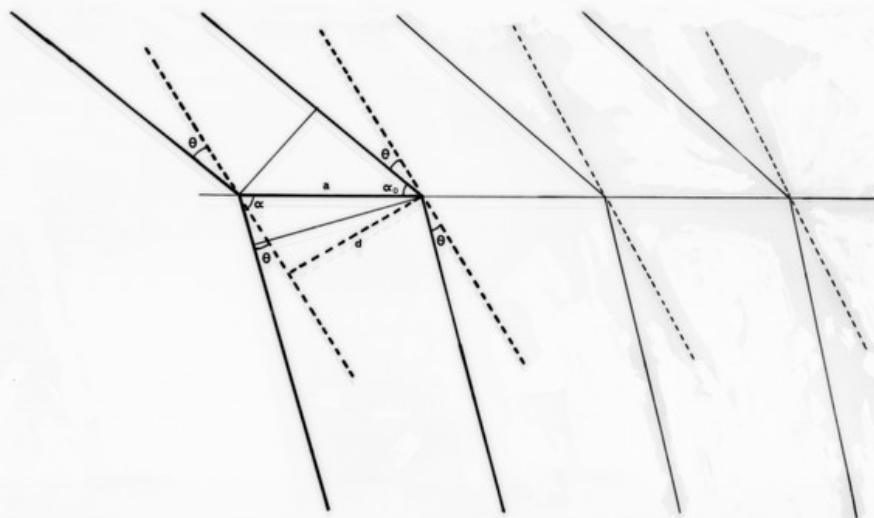
$$J_{n+1}(x) = \frac{2n}{x} J_n(x) - J_{n-1}(x)$$

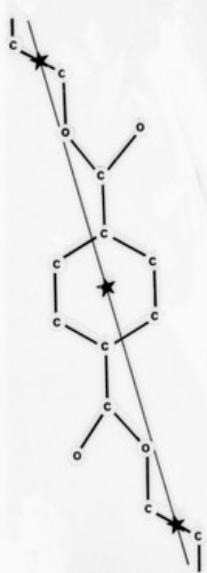
$$2J'_n(x) = J_{n-1}(x) - J_{n+1}(x)$$



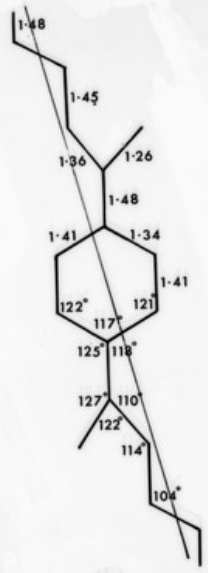




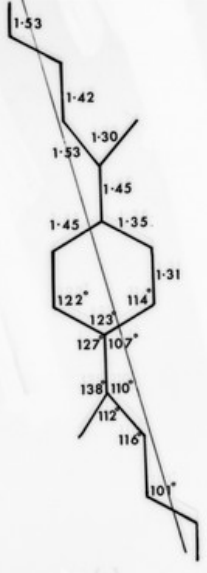




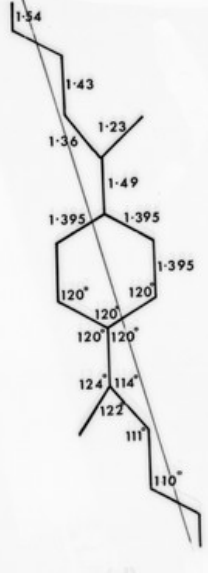
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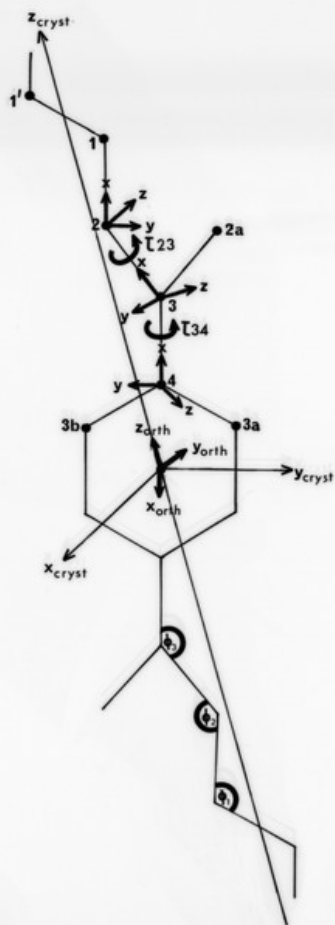
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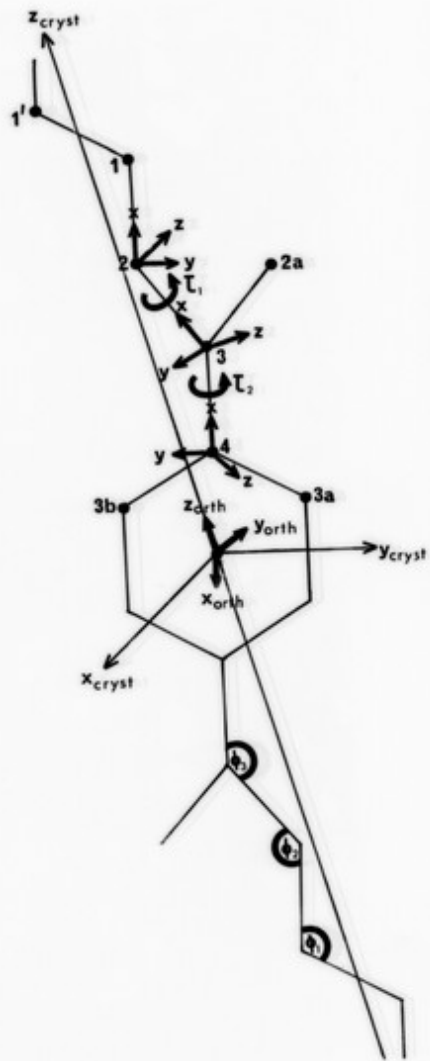
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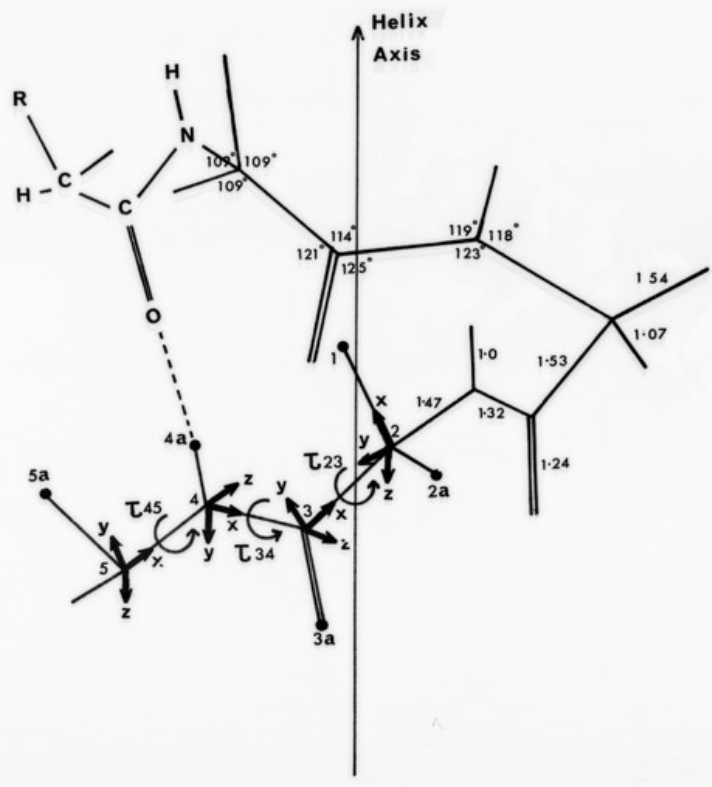


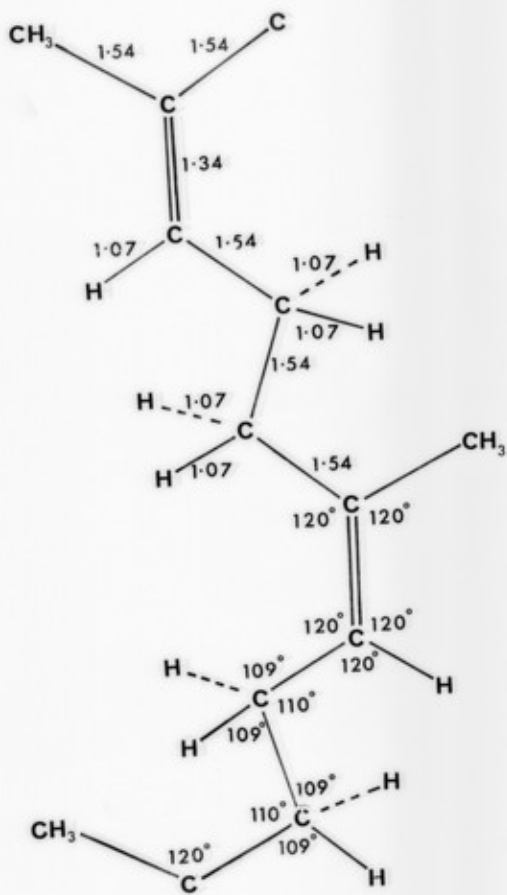
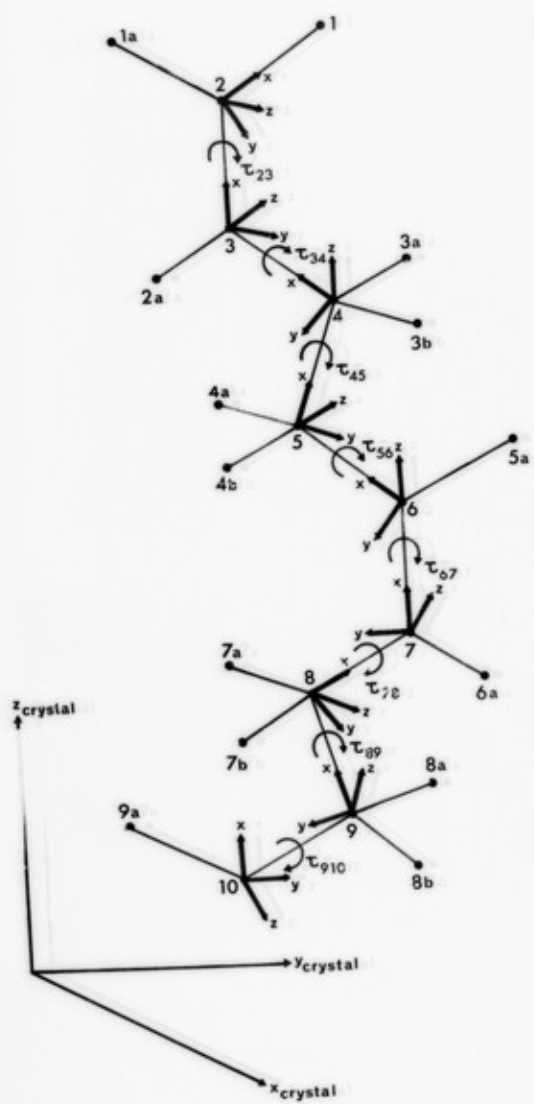
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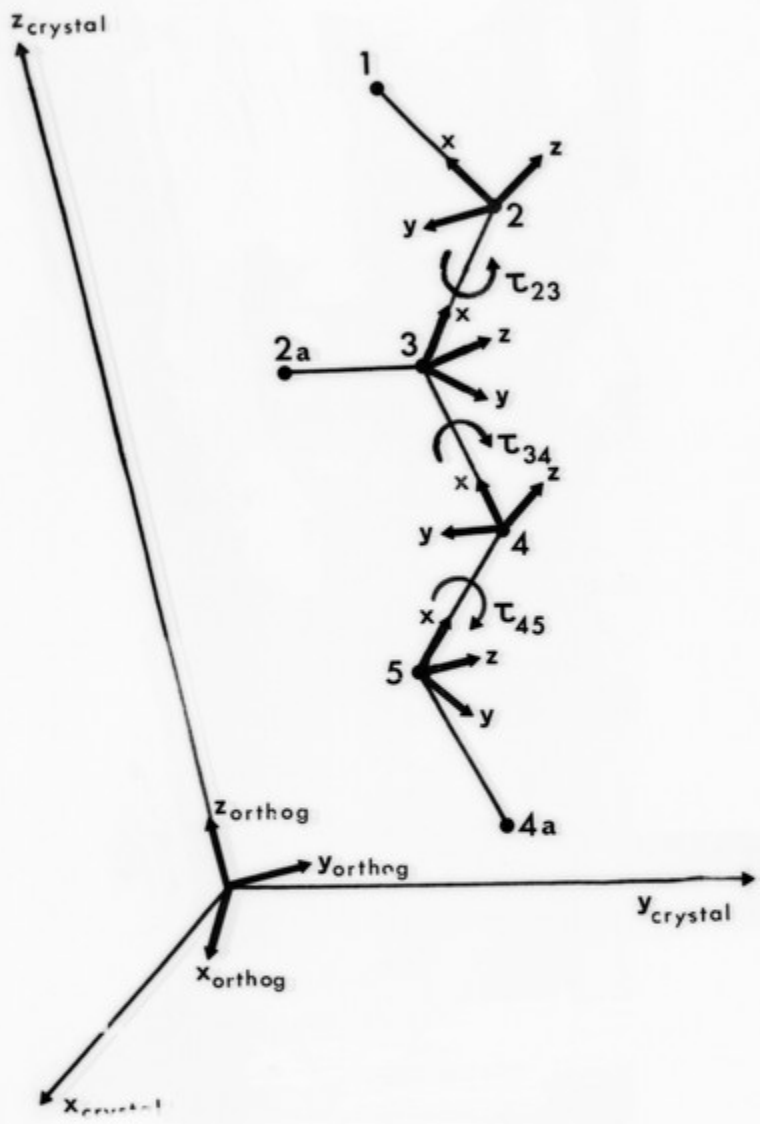


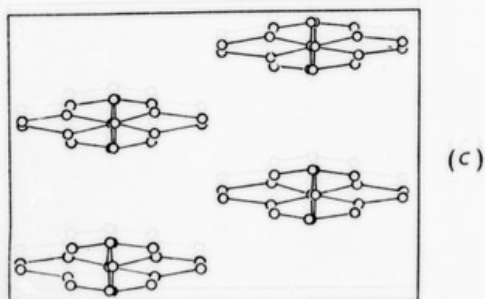
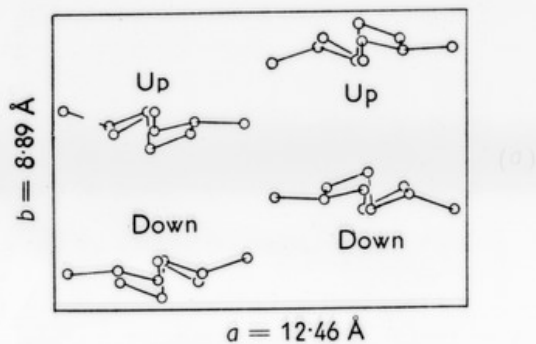
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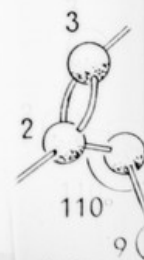


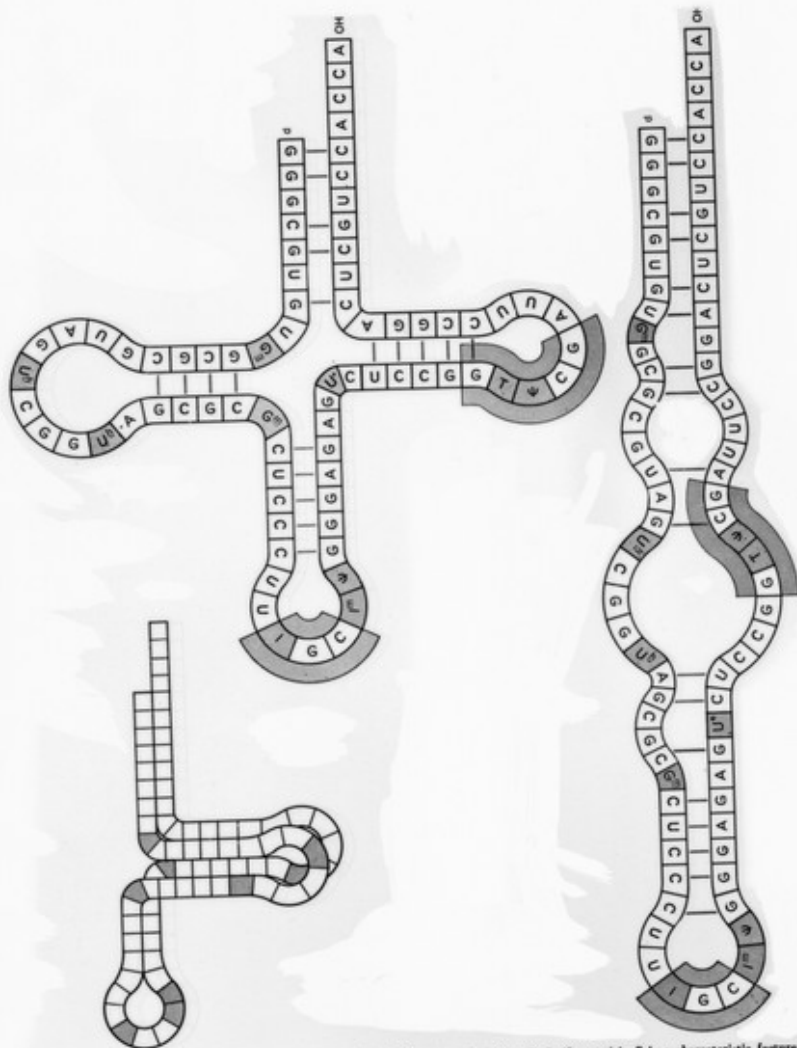


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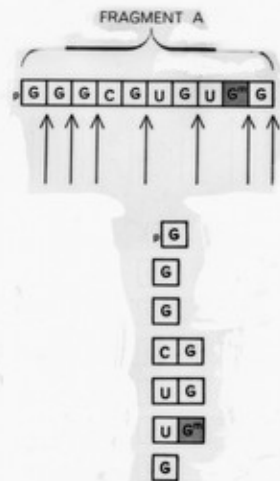
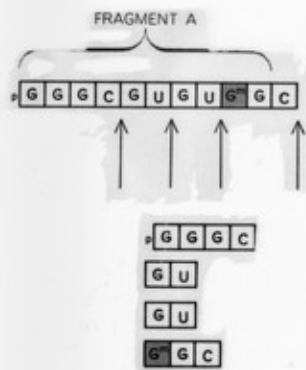
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**HYPOTHETICAL MODELS** of alanine transfer ribonucleic acid (tRNA) show three of the many ways in which the molecule's linear chain might be folded. The various letters represent nucleotide subunits; their chemical structure is given at the top of the next two pages. In these models it is assumed that certain nucleotides, such as C—G and A—U, will pair off and tend to form short double-

strand regions. Such "base-pairing" is a characteristic feature of nucleic acids. The arrangement at the lower left shows how two of the large "leaves" of the "clover leaf" model may be folded together. The triplet I—G—C is the presumed anticodon shown in the illustration on the opposite page. The region containing the sequence G—T—ψ—C—G may be common to all tran...



1	$\text{P-GGGC}$	$\text{G}^m\text{C}$
	$\text{C}$	$\text{C}$
	$\text{C}$	$\text{C}$
	$\text{C}$	$\text{U}$
	$\text{C}$	$\text{U}$
	$\text{C}$	$\text{U}$
	$\text{C}$	$\text{U}$
	$\text{C}$	$\text{U}$
	$\text{C}$	$\psi$
	$\text{C}$	$\text{AGU}^n$
	$\text{C}$	$\text{GGU}^n$
	$\text{C}$	$\psi$
2	$\text{GC}$	$\text{AGC}$
	$\text{GC}$	$\text{GAU}$

TABLE 1

10	$\text{I}^m\text{GC}$
12	$\text{GGT}$
14	$\text{GGAC}$
15	$\text{GGGAGAGU}^n$
16	$\text{C}^m\text{OH}$

$\text{P-G}$	3	$\text{CG}$
$\text{G}$		$\text{CG}$
$\text{G}$		$\text{CG}$
$\text{G}$		$\text{CG}$
$\text{G}$	4	$\text{CG}$
$\text{G}$	5	$\text{UG}$
$\text{G}$	8	$\text{U}^m\text{G}$
$\text{G}$	7	$\text{UAG}$
$\text{G}$	6	$\text{U}^n\text{CG}$
$\text{G}$	9	$\text{U}^n\text{AG}$
$\text{AG}$	11	$\text{C}^m\psi\text{G}$
$\text{AG}$	12	$\text{T}\psi\text{CG}$

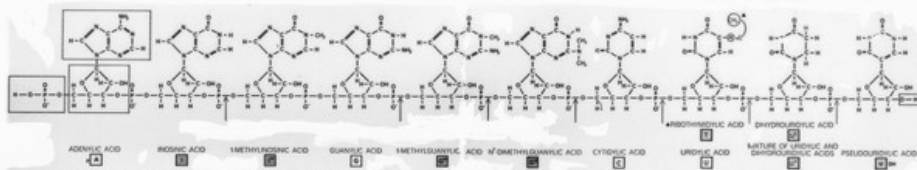
TABLE 2

14	$\text{ACUCG}$
13	$\text{AUUCCG}$
15	$\text{U}^n\text{CUCG}$
10	$\text{CUCCCUU}^n$
16	$\text{UCCACC}^m\text{OH}$

ACTION OF TWO DIFFERENT ENZYMES is reflected in these two tables. Table 1 shows the fragments produced when alanine transfer RNA is completely digested by pancreatic ribonuclease, which cleaves the molecule to the right of nucleotides containing bases with pyrimidine structures (C, U, U<sup>n</sup>, ψ and T). The diagram at top left shows how pancreatic ribonuclease would cleave the first

11 nucleotides of alanine transfer RNA. The diagram at top right shows how the same region would be digested by takadiastase ribonuclease T1. Table 2 contains the fragments produced by this enzyme; they all end in nucleotides whose bases contain purine structures (G, G<sup>m</sup>, G<sup>n</sup> and I). The numbers indicate which ones appear in the consolidated list in Table 3 on the opposite page.



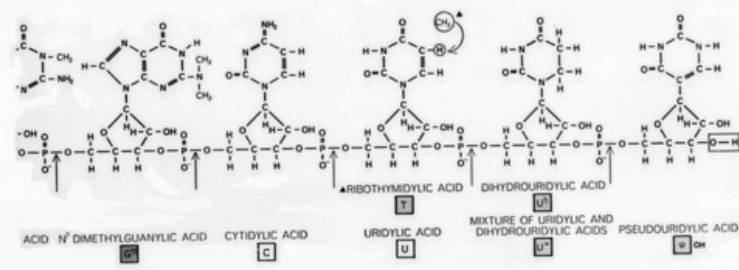
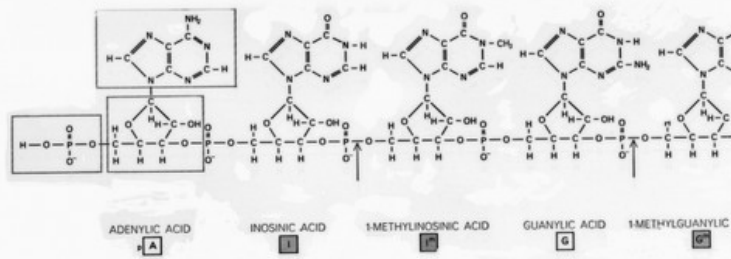


NUCLEOTIDE UNITS found in deoxyribonucleic acid include the base commonly present in RNA (A, G, C, U), plus ones which are variations of the standard structure. Two of these 12 differ...

together in a single RNA chain. The chain begins at the left with a phosphate group (indicated by a small rectangle) and is followed by a ribose sugar group (large rectangle); the two groups alternate...

a hydroxyl group. Each nucleotide contains a phosphate group, a ribose sugar group and a base. The base portion in the nucleotide at the far left, adenine, is indicated by a large rectangle. In the remainder from the second nucleotide on the...

in color. The base structure without color are those commonly found in RNA. Bases shown where RNA chains can be formed by the major subunit of ribonucleic acid. Colored bases shown where RNA chains can be formed by pyrimidine ribonucleic acid.



**NUCLEOTIDE SUBUNITS** found in alanine transfer RNA include the four commonly present in RNA (A, G, C, U), plus seven others that are variations of the standard structures. Ten of these 11 different nucleotide subunits are assembled above as if they were linked together in a single RNA chain. The chain begins at the left with a phosphate group (outlined by a small rectangle) and is followed by a ribose sugar group (large rectangle); the two groups alternate to form the backbone of the chain. The chain ends at the right with

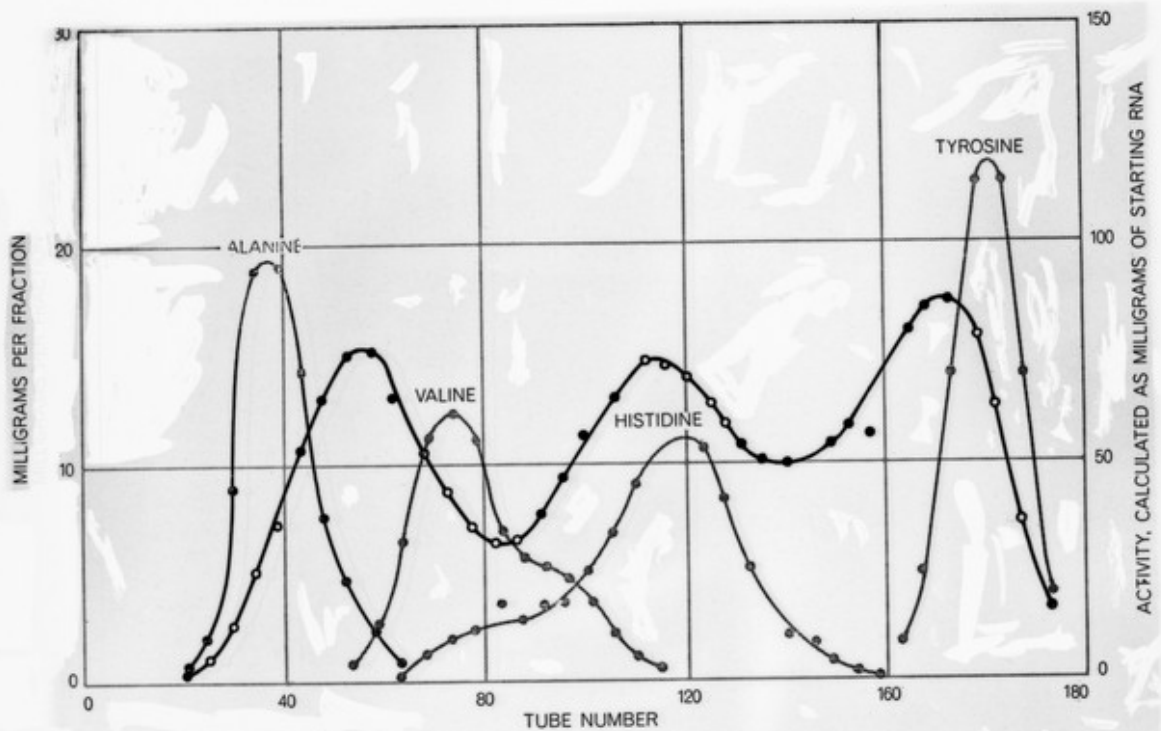
a hydroxyl (-OH) group. Each nucleotide subunit consists of a phosphate group, a ribose sugar group and a base. The base portion in the nucleotide at the far left, adenylic acid, is outlined by a large rectangle. In the succeeding bases the atomic variations are shown in color. The base structures without color are those commonly found in RNA. Black arrows show where RNA chains can be cleaved by the enzyme takediastase ribonuclease T1. Colored arrows show where RNA chains can be cleaved by pancreatic ribonuclease.

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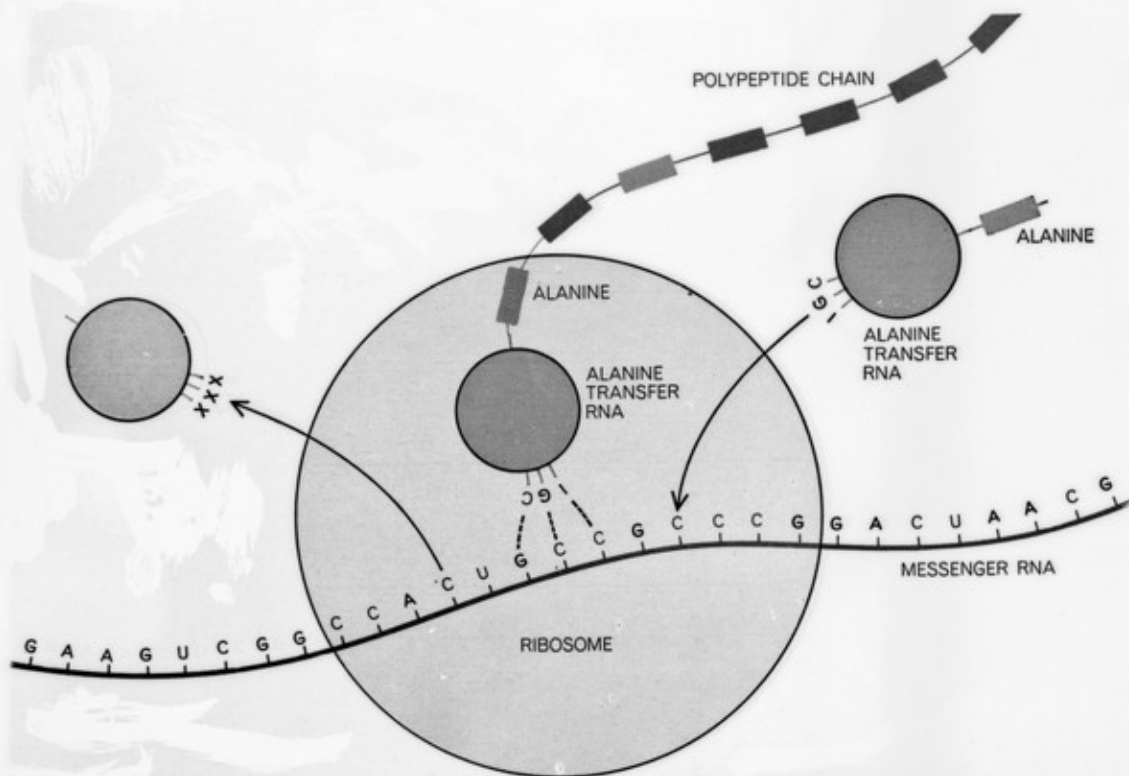
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COUNTERCURRENT DISTRIBUTION PATTERN shows two steps in the separation of alanine transfer RNA, as carried out in the author's laboratory. After the first step the RNA content in various collection tubes, measured by ultraviolet absorption, fol-

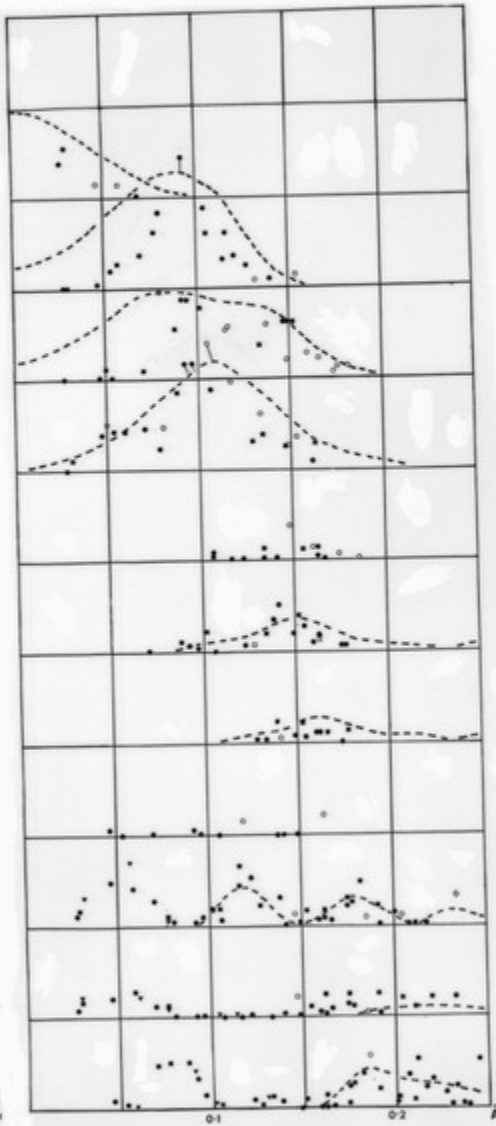
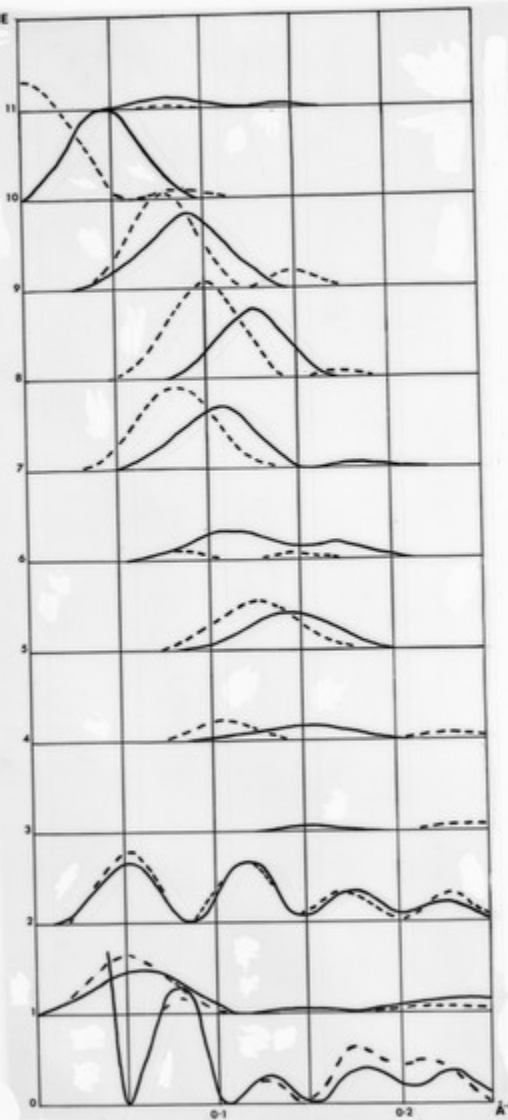
lows the black curve. Biological activity, indicated by the amount of a given amino acid incorporated into polypeptide chains, follows the colored curves. Pure transfer RNA's of four types can be obtained by reprocessing the tubes designated by open circles.



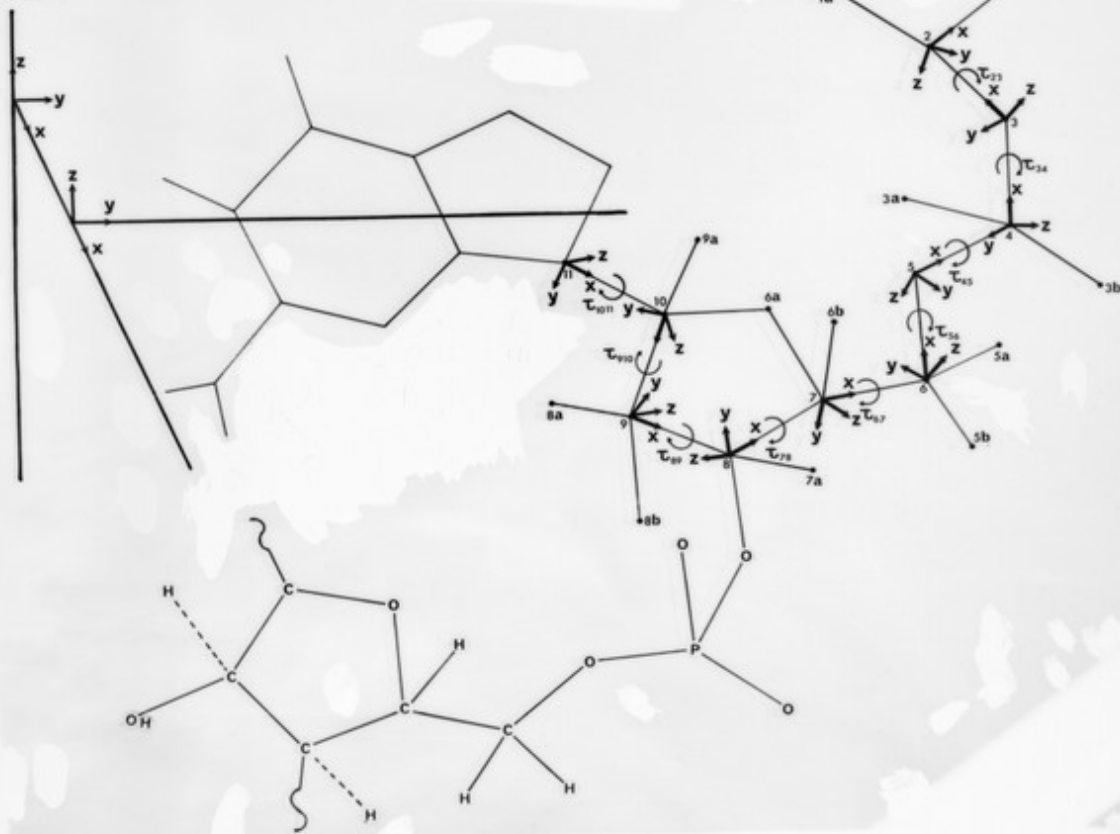
**ROLE OF TRANSFER RNA** is to deliver a specific amino acid to the site where "messenger" RNA and a ribosome (which also contains RNA) collaborate in the synthesis of a protein. As it is being synthesized a protein chain is usually described as a polypeptide. Each amino acid in the polypeptide chain is specified by a triplet code, or codon, in the molecular chain of messenger RNA.

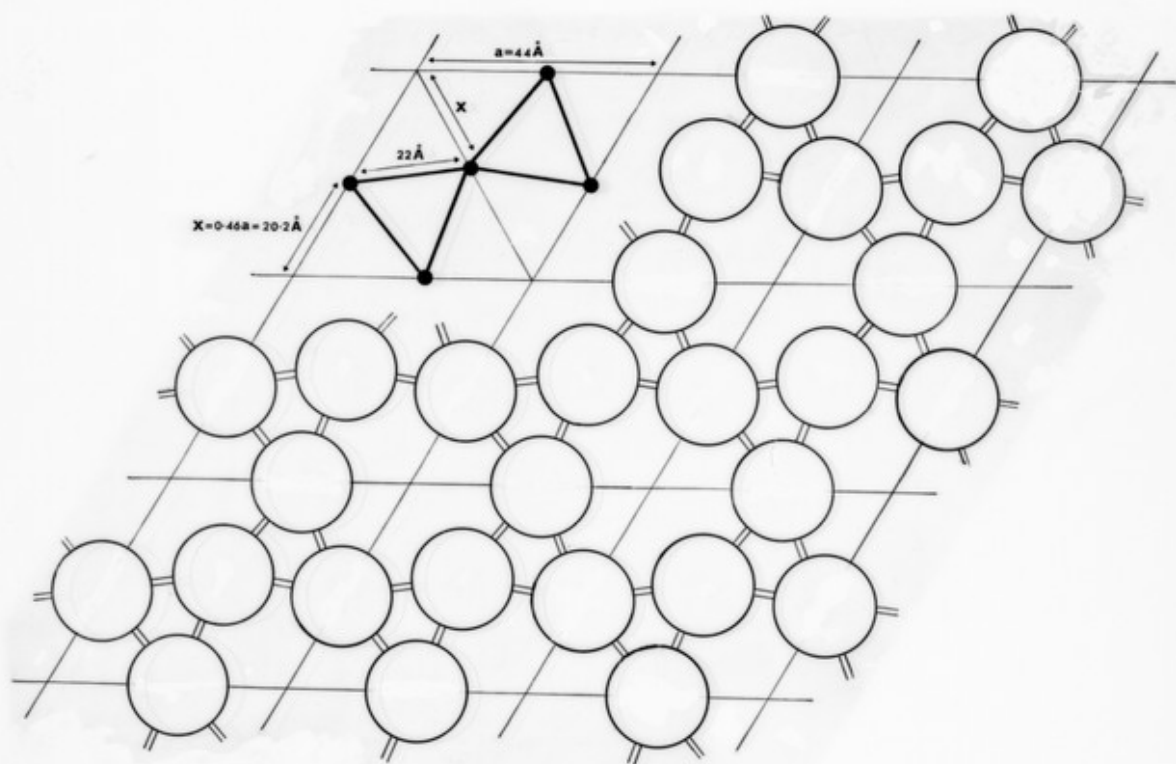
The diagram shows how an "anticodon" (presumably I—G—C) in alanine transfer RNA may form a temporary bond with the codon for alanine (G—C—C) in the messenger RNA. While so bonded the transfer RNA also holds the polypeptide chain. Each transfer RNA is succeeded by another one, carrying its own amino acid, until the complete message in the messenger RNA has been "read."

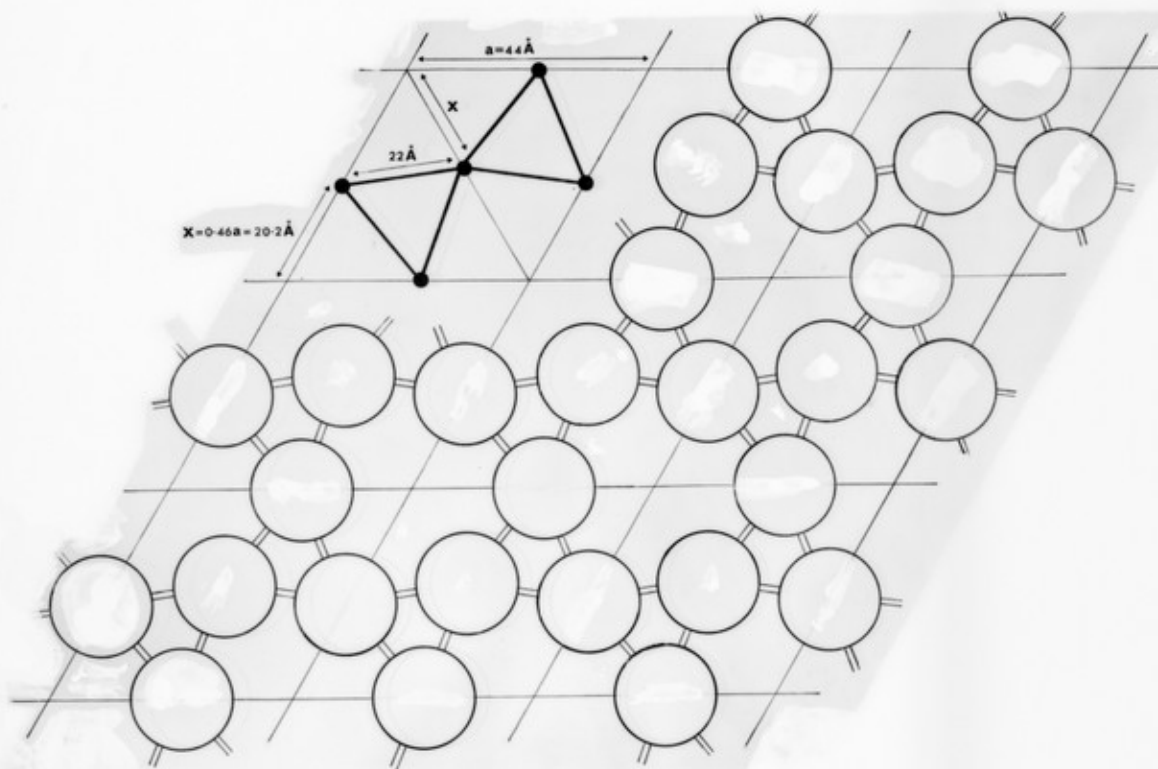
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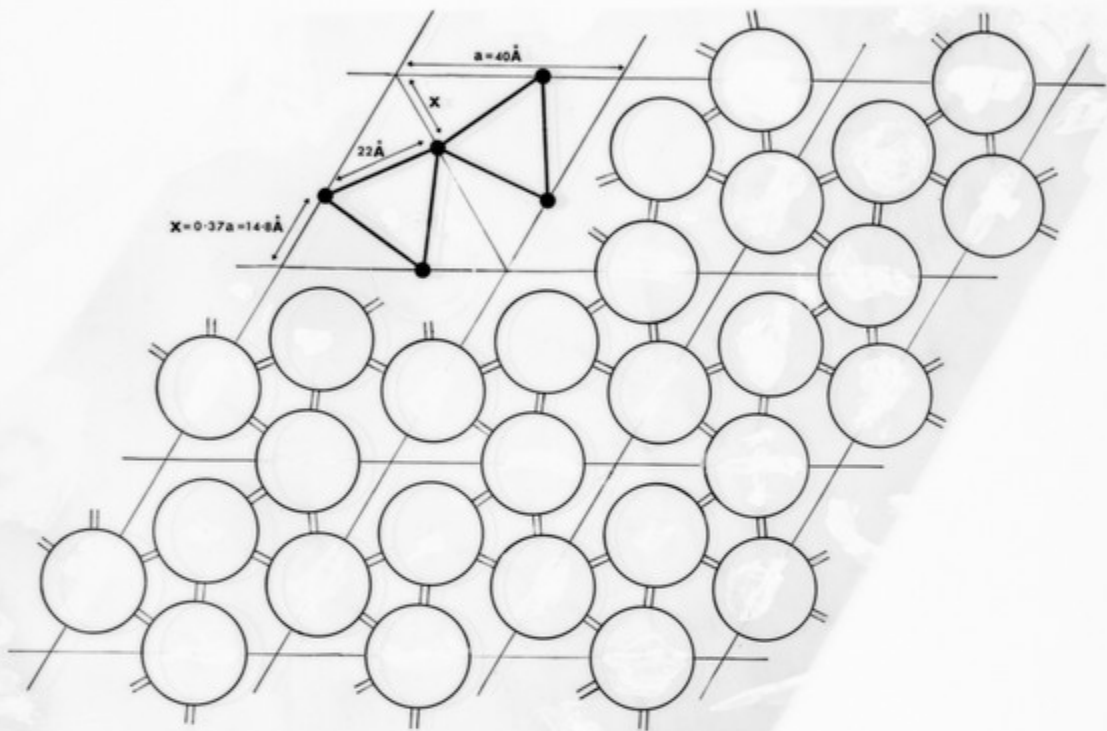
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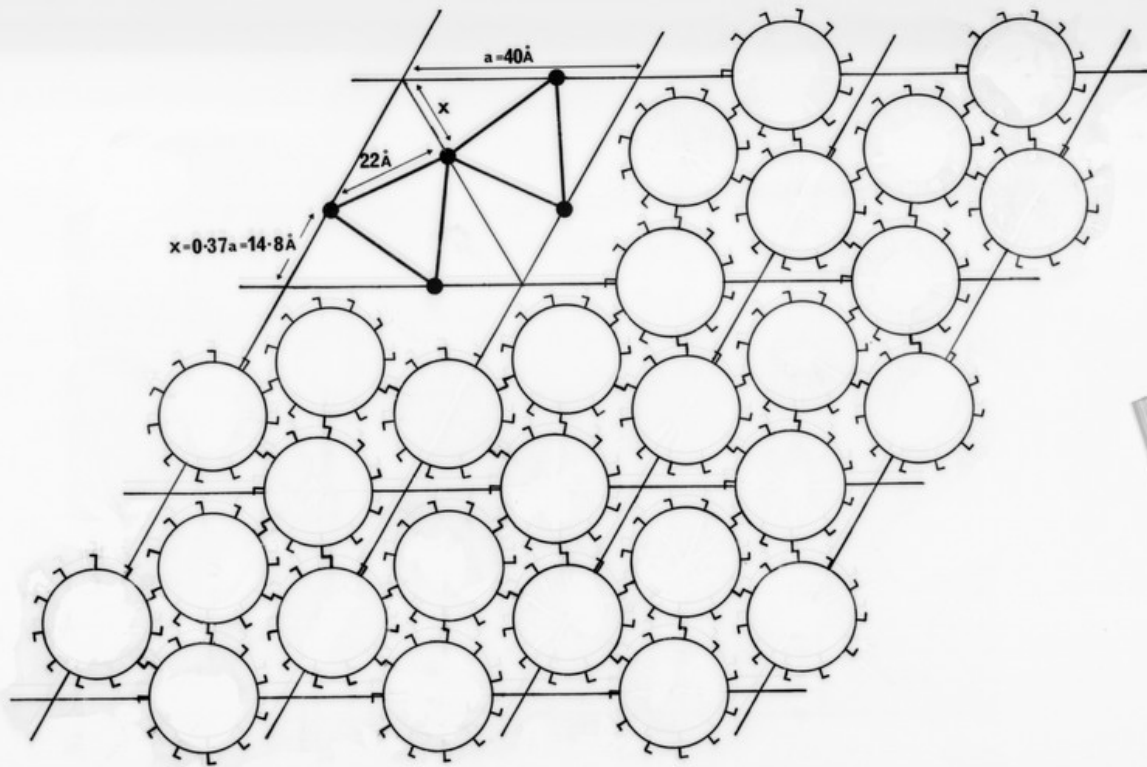


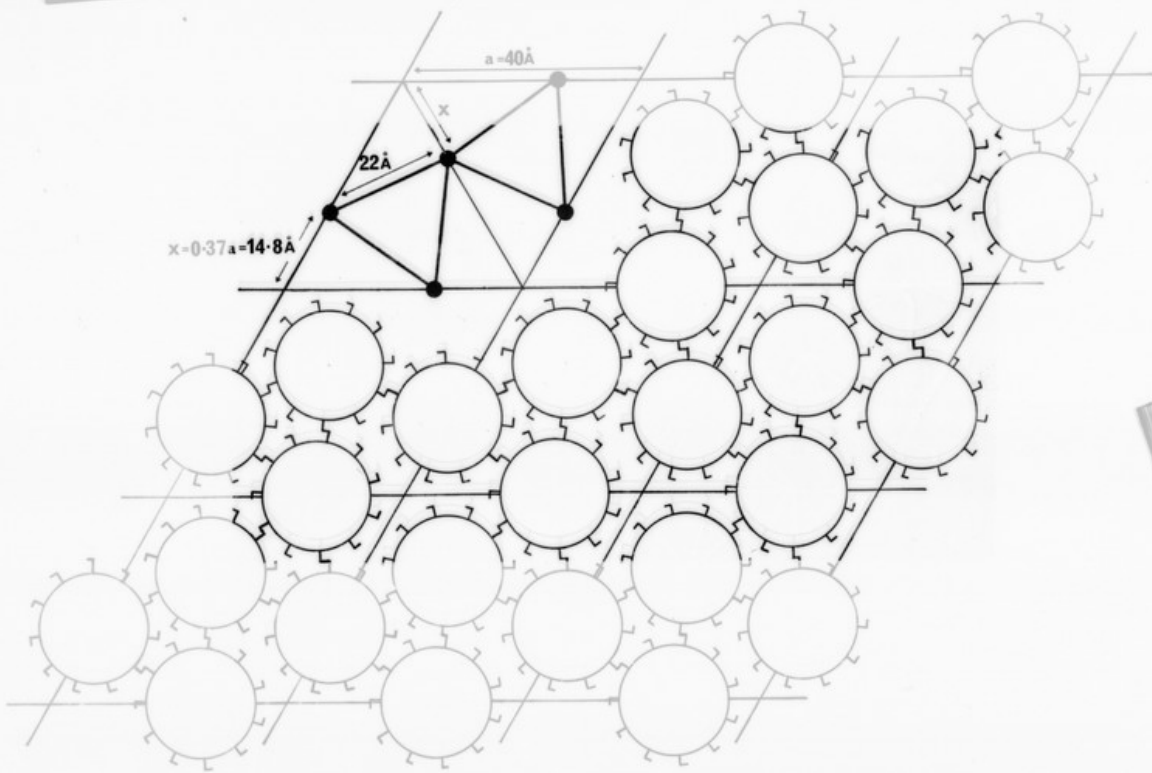


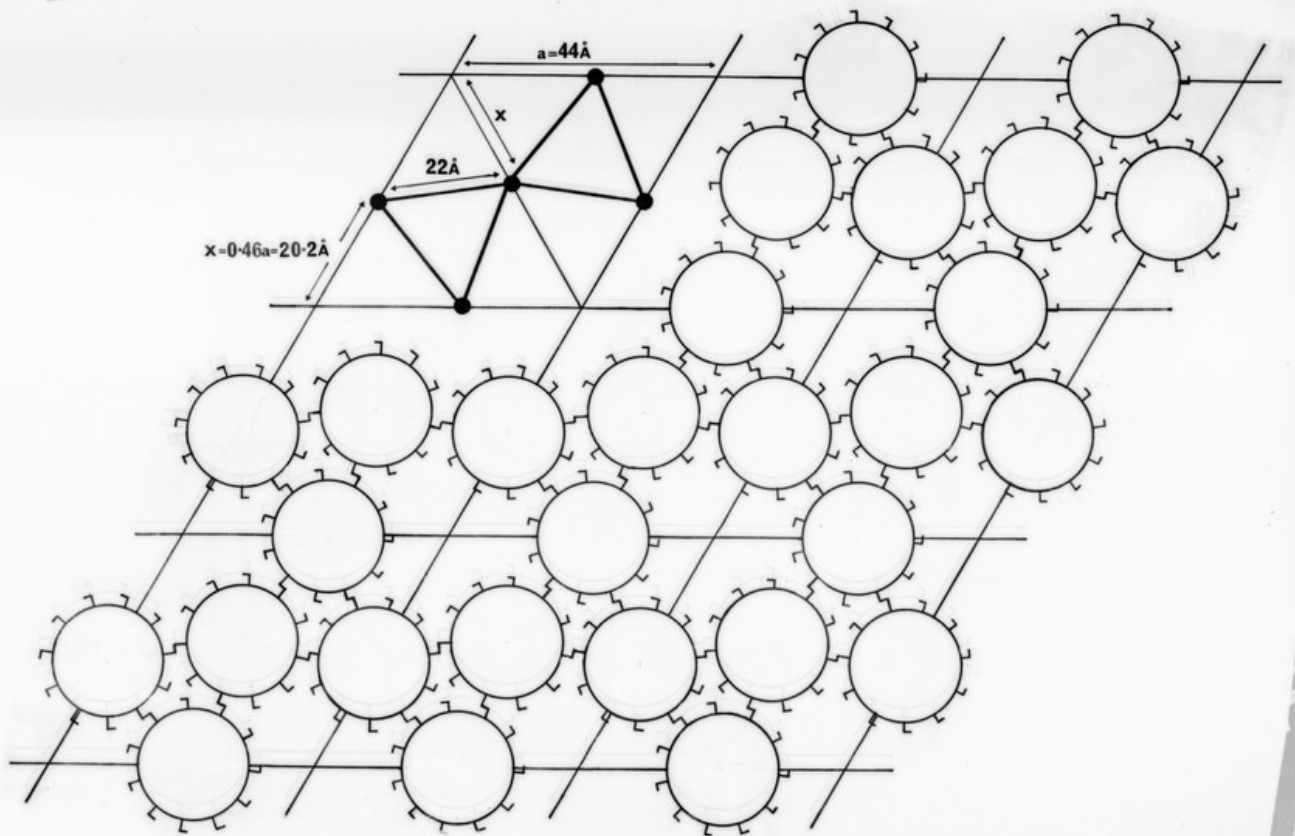


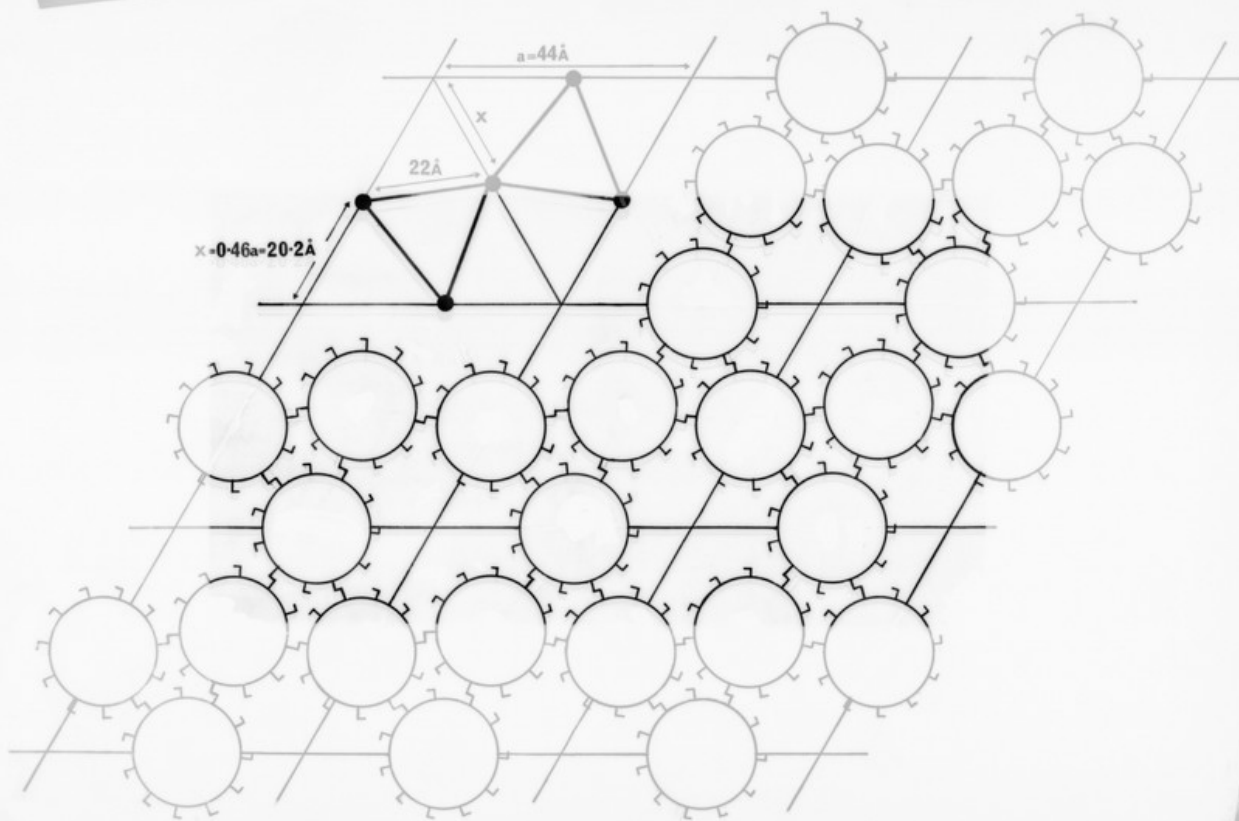












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