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## **Suggested literature**

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J. I. Gersten: Physics and chemistry of materials, Willey 2001



### Lecture content

- Space lattice
- Crystal systems
- Bravais lattices
- Point groups
- Space groups
- Symmetry operations, matrix based definition
- Equivalent positions





The solid state can exist in several forms, crystalline, polycrystal  $\bigcirc$   $_{\rm BY}$   $_{\rm SA}$  amorphous. Crystalline form is periodically ordered on long range. Semi crystalline or polycrystalline is ordered only on small range and the amorphous phases are not periodically ordered at all. The substance with the same composition can exist in both crystal and amorphous form. An example is quartz – crystal form of SiO<sub>2</sub> and opal, amorphous form of SiO<sub>2</sub>.



In the past, nothing was known about internal structure of solid pier BY SA scientist were fascinated by crystal shapes of minerals. Based on the crystal shapes they had predicted the crystals consist of small elemental bricks witch can build the whole crystal. This prediction based on geometrical analysis was nowadays confirmed to be correct by X-ray structure analysis.



Crystalline solids are based on periodically repenting motive. The BY SA typically an atom, a molecule or a cluster of molecules. To simplify the description we characterize the motive position by a point. The points (lattice points) forms a periodic lattice.

# **Relation between lattice and atom positions** Inorganic crystal covalent bonds Molecular crystal – WdV interactions Crystal of a bio-molecule with channels

(cc) For inorganic crystals the motive is typically a group of atoms, be BY 64 by covalent, ion or metallic bonds. The typical motive for organic molecules crystal is a single covalent bonded organic molecule, forming so-called molecular crystals. Even big bio molecules can form crystals – such molecules often contain channels full of disordered solvent molecules.

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To be able to describe efficiently the periodic structure, we shoul BY SA smallest periodic element sufficient for the whole structure generation. This element is called Unit cell. Unit cell should be not only the smallest possible element, but it should reflect the whole symmetry of the structure as well. For this reason we often choose for the structure description a unit with non-minimal volume, the so called centered lattice.



There exist 6 possible centered lattices:

Primitive (P) with one motive in the unit cell.

Side-Centered (A,B,C) with 2 motives in unit cell. For side-centered cell the letters A,B,C are related to the lattice direction in which the cell base is occupied by additional motive.

Body-Centered (I) with 2 motives in unit cell.

Face-Centered (F) with 4 motives in unit cell.



The lattice can be described by 6 lattice parameters:



a, b, c – the lengths' of the lattice edges.

 $\alpha,\,\beta,\,\gamma-$  the angles between b and c, a and c, and a and b vectors respectively.

| Crystal systems |   |                   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Crystal systems | Lattice particle particle particle participations | rameters          | Possible<br>centered lattice |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Triclinic       | a≠b≠c   | α≠β≠γ             | Р                            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Monoclinic      | a≠b≠c   | <b>α=γ=90°≠</b> β | P,C                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Orthorhombic    | a≠b≠c   | α=β=γ=90°         | P,I,C,F                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tetragonal      | a=b≠c   | α=β=γ=90°         | P,I                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rhombohedral    | a=b=c   | <b>α=β=γ≠90°</b>  | R                            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hexagonal       | a=b≠c   | α=β=90°           | Р                            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                 |   | γ=120°            |                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cubic           | a=b=c   | <b>α=</b> β=γ=90° | P,I,F                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Based on the relation between lattice parameters, we can sort all  $\underbrace{\bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc}_{BY \quad SA}$  crystal systems. In each crystal system only selected centered lattice can exist. The reason is some system/centration combination (e.g. F centered monoclinic cell) can be described by smaller unit cell without any symmetry loss. It should be noticed that the rhombohedral structures can be described as hexagonal and the choice of hexagonal/rhombohedral system is partially optional. The table shows the crystal system sorted from the lower symmetry (triclinic) to the highest one (cubic).

| Groups of symmetry – another<br>level of structure description |  |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Name   | Use  | Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plane groups   | 2D crystal description   | 17     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Point groups   | External crystal shape<br>description (no translations<br>elements included) | 32     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Space groups   | Internal structure description   | 230    |  |  |  |  |  |  |

In addition to the periodic symmetry described by the unit cell, there is a dditional symmetry inside the unit cell. Possible combinations of symmetry are called symmetry groups. In 2D there can exist 17 plane groups able to describe internal symmetry of 2D crystals. The so-called point groups (there may be 32 of them) can describe external symmetry of crystals and symmetry of their physical properties. Point groups do not include translation symmetry operation. Finally, the symmetry of 3D crystals can be described by 230 possible combinations of symmetry operations called space groups.



The 230 space groups are created by a combination of symmetry



They can be divided into 2 groups: The one without translation and the one with translation.

No translation is a part of: mirror (m), rotation axis (2,3,4,6), center of symmetry (-1) and axis of inversion (-3,-4,-6).

Translation is a part of: glide plane (a,b,c,n,d) and screw axis  $(2_1 3_1 3_2 4_1 4_2 4_3 6_1 6_2 6_3 6_4 6_5)$ .





Only the symmetry operation listed on previous slide can describ 3D periodic objects. Symmetry operations like 5 fold axis or 8 fold axis generate shapes that are not able to fill space. Such symmetry operation exists only in special non-standard crystals – quasicrystals.



coordinates are converted to x,y,-z for mirror perpendicular to c/z axis. For chiral molecules the mirror reverts chirality.









The operation symmetry without translation is sufficient to describer and the plane groups can be used for description of 2D crystals or decorative motives printed on textile materials.



The operation symmetry without translation is sufficient to describer of the solid phase physical properties. Such properties are e.g. hardness, color, piezoelectricity etc. ... Known space group can help to generate the shape of hypothetical crystals (in this case quartz crystallizing in point group 32).



This slide shows how point group m3 can be used for generating crystal shape of pyrite.





The point group describes the symmetry of atom planes orientation by sa the crystal planes. They can describe the differences in chemical properties of different planes. A plane with hydrophilic atoms can have e.g. different solubility in water than other one. Software tools like program Mercury can show the atom orientation according to different crystal planes and clarify the effect.





axis generates from the atom in x,y,z position an atom in -x,1/2+y,-z position (axis in c/y direction). The 3<sub>1</sub> and 3<sub>2</sub> axis differs in the rotation direction. Generally the axis generates something like the stars in old cylindrical towers. Operation does not revert chirality.



For each space group all information can be found in Internationa By sa ray crystallography. For each group you can find there the group symbol (P-1), the corresponding crystallographic system (Triclinic), the group number (2) and location of the symmetry operation in the unit cell. It is clear from the symbol that this is the Bravais lattice (P). The tables should show the position of the motives (x,y,z and -x,-y,-z) for P-1.



An example of more complex group with more symmetry elemen BY SA number 229, cubic system, symbol I m -3 m. You can see presence of 4-fold. 3-fold and 2 fold axes in both normal and screw forms. Glide planes and mirrors are present as well.

# Group Im-3m – 96 positions

| 96 | l | 1 | (1) $x, y, z$  | (2) $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, z$            | (3) $\bar{x}, y, \bar{z}$            | (4) $x, \overline{y}, \overline{z}$ |
|----|---|---|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|    |   |   | (5) $z, x, y$  | (6) $z, \bar{x}, \bar{y}$            | (7) $\bar{z}, \bar{x}, y$            | (8) $\bar{z}, x, \bar{y}$           |
|    |   |   | (9) $y, z, x$  | (10) $\bar{y}, z, \bar{x}$           | (11) $y, \overline{z}, \overline{x}$ | (12) $\bar{y}, \bar{z}, x$          |
|    |   |   | (13) $y, x, \bar{z}$   | (14) $\bar{y}, \bar{x}, \bar{z}$     | (15) $y, \bar{x}, z$                 | (16) $\bar{y}, x, z$                |
|    |   |   | (17) $x, z, \bar{y}$   | (18) $\bar{x}, z, y$                 | (19) $\bar{x}, \bar{z}, \bar{y}$     | (20) $x, \bar{z}, y$                |
|    |   |   | (21) $z, y, \bar{x}$   | (22) $z, \bar{y}, x$                 | (23) $\bar{z}, y, x$                 | (24) $\bar{z}, \bar{y}, \bar{x}$    |
|    |   |   | (25) $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$   | (26) $x, y, \bar{z}$                 | (27) $x, \overline{y}, z$            | (28) $\bar{x}, y, z$                |
|    |   |   | (29) $\overline{z}, \overline{x}, \overline{y}$                            | (30) $\bar{z}, x, y$                 | (31) $z, x, \overline{y}$            | (32) $z, \bar{x}, y$                |
|    |   |   | (33) $\overline{\mathbf{v}}, \overline{\mathbf{z}}, \overline{\mathbf{x}}$ | (34) $y, \bar{z}, x$                 | (35) $\bar{y}, z, x$                 | (36) $v, z, \bar{x}$                |
|    |   |   | $(37) \ \overline{v}.\overline{x}.z$                                       | (38) v.x.z                           | $(39) \overline{v}.x.\overline{z}$   | (40) $v, \bar{x}, \bar{z}$          |
|    |   |   | (41) $\bar{x}.\bar{z}.v$   | (42) $x, \overline{z}, \overline{v}$ | (43) $x.z.v$                         | (44) $\bar{x}, z, \bar{v}$          |
|    |   |   | (45) $\bar{z}, \bar{v}, x$   | (46) $\bar{z}, v, \bar{x}$           | $(47) \ z, \bar{v}, \bar{x}$         | (48) z. v. x                        |
|    |   |   |  |                                      |                                      |                                     |
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The group I m -3 m generates from one position x,y,z, 96 other provide table shows only the 48 one. The rest is generated by the I Bravais lattice from the x+1/2,y+1/2,z+1/2 position.



All the equations for symmetry operations from previous slides c for units used in crystallography – the fractional coordinates. Fractional coordinates are used to describe the atom or motive positions.

The definition of the fractional coordinate is the point position in the direction of edge vector divided by the edge length. For orthorhombic and higher symmetry, the Cartesian coordinates can be simply divided by the cell lengths to get fractional coordinates. The result is typically a value in <0,1> interval. All information about solved crystal structures stored in databases is usually stored in the form of fractional coordinates.

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For the use with computer programs, it is more efficient to describe y s a operation as matrixes. The positions as listed in International tables can be generated automatically. The matrixes have a rotation part. The input position is multiplied by the rotation part and then the translation part is added. The table and results show the  $2_1$  operation parallel with c/z axis.



For rotation axis there exists a general matrix formula in which the rotation can be entered to get the result. Formula for 4-fold axis is demonstrated. It should be noted that if you multiply the y,-x,z position by the matrix, you will get x,y,z. 4-fold axes generate only 4 positions.



| Specia<br>position | P 2 2<br>D <sup>1</sup> 2                                       | 2      |        | No. 16                                  |                                      | P 2 2 2                              | 222   | Orthorhombic |                      |   |                           |  |  |
|--------------------|---|--------|--------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|--------------|----------------------|---|---------------------------|--|--|
|                    | Number of positions,<br>Wyckoff notation,<br>and point symmetry |        |        |   |                                      | Co-ordinates of equivalent positions |       |              |                      | Conditions limiting<br>possible reflections |                           |  |  |
|                    | 4   | u      | 1      | x,y,z;                                  | <i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , <i>z</i> ;     | x,ÿ,z; x,y,z.                        |       |              |                      |   | General:<br>No conditions |  |  |
|                    |   |        |        |   |                                      |                                      |       |              |                      |   | Special:                  |  |  |
|                    | 2   | t      | 2      | $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, z;$          | $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \vec{z}.$ |                                      |       |              |                      |   | No conditions             |  |  |
|                    | 2   | \$     | 2      | $0,\frac{1}{2},z;$                      | $0, \frac{1}{2}, \overline{z}.$      |                                      |       |              |                      |   |                           |  |  |
|                    | 2   | r      | 2      | 1/2,0, <i>z</i> ;                       | 1/2,0, <i>z</i> .                    |                                      |       |              |                      |   |                           |  |  |
|                    | 2 1   | q      | 2      | 1,0,2;                                  | 0,0, <i>z</i> .                      | 2                                    | ,     | 2            | r 1 1.               | ē11   |                           |  |  |
|                    | 2   | р<br>0 | 2      | 1,y,0;                                  | $\frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, 0.$           | 2                                    | k     | 2            | $x, \frac{1}{2}, 0;$ | x,1,0.                                      |                           |  |  |
|                    | 2   | n      | 2      | $0, y, \frac{1}{2};$                    | $0, \bar{y}, \frac{1}{2}.$           | 2                                    | j     | 2            | $x, 0, \frac{1}{2};$ | $\bar{x}, 0, \frac{1}{2}.$                  |                           |  |  |
|                    | 2   | m      | 2      | 0,y,0;                                  | 0, <i>ÿ</i> ,0.                      | 2                                    | i     | 2            | <i>x</i> ,0,0;       | <i>x</i> ,0,0.                              |                           |  |  |
|                    | 1   | h      | 222    | $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$ |                                      | 1                                    | d     | 222          | 0,0,1/2.             |   |                           |  |  |
|                    | 1   | g      | 222    | $0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}.$          |                                      | 1                                    | с     | 222          | 0,1,0.               |   |                           |  |  |
|                    | 1   | f      | 222    | 1,0,1.                                  |                                      | 1                                    | Ь     | 222          | 1,0,0.               |   |                           |  |  |
|                    | , I   | е      | 222    | ±,±,0.                                  |                                      | 1                                    | а     | 111          | 0,0,0.               |   |                           |  |  |
|                    | Symmetry of special projections                                 |        |        |   |                                      |                                      |       |              |                      |   |                           |  |  |
|                    | (00)  | l) pm  | m; a'· | -a, b'-b                                |                                      | (100) pmi                            | n; b' | =b, c'=      | с                    |   | (010) pmm; c'-c, a'-a     |  |  |

(cc) The individual atom can be placed in the unit cell in the same pos BY symmetry elements. When an atom is placed e.g. on 2 fold axis, it does not generate a second atom. Instead only 1 atom at this position exists. Such positions of atoms are listed in the International tables. They are called special positions. In space group P 2 2 2 the atom can be placed in general position (4 atoms), on 1x 2-fold axis (2 atoms) or on 2x 2-fold axis (only 1 atom is generated).

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This slide shows a real molecule placed partially in special posities by sa are in general position => the space group generates 4 of them. The Zn atom is placed on a mirror => only 2 Zn atoms are generated inside the unit cell.



There exist programs for teaching space group and crystallograph is crystalOgraph (demo will be given during the lacture) is crystalOgraph (demo will be given during the lecture).





There exist free programs for space group/structure handling. On Mercury – freely available for download from CCDC www: https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/solutions/csd-system/components/mercury/

The code can generate atoms position based on symmetry, measure geometry, visualize crystal cell etc.

It is strongly suggested to download the Mercury software and to try the tutorials.

## Chemistry and Physics of Solidslecture 2

#### X-ray diffraction, reciprocal lattice

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#### Lecture content

- Interaction of X-ray with solid state
- X-ray diffraction
- Bragg equation
- Planes (hkl)
- Reciprocal space
- Ewald construction
- Diffractometer constructions



# Properties of radiation used for solid state investigation λ= Planck constant (h) / (m\*v)

•  $\lambda \cong$  typical distance between studied objects

| Radiation     | Source                       | Interaction with the object      |
|---------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| X-ray         | RTG lamp,<br>synchrotron     | Reflection from electrons        |
| Slow neutrons | Nuclear reactor, synchrotron | Interaction with atom nuclei     |
| Electrons     | Electron<br>microscope       | Reflection from<br>ELM potential |



It is impossible to study atomic structure by visible light, e.g. by microscope. The radiation wavelength should be comparable to the studied object size. The typical atom-atom distance is about 10<sup>-10</sup> m, so we must use a radiation with comparable wavelength. The first choice are photons – X-ray. The wavelength of particles can be adjusted by their velocity - neutrons and electrons can be utilized in this way.

|     | Electromagnetic radiation |                          |                   |                            |                  |                           |                  |                               |                         |                 |              |                               |                            |        |
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| 1   | 0 <sup>24</sup><br>Ι<br>Υ | 10 <sup>22</sup><br>rays | 1020              | 10 <sup>18</sup><br>X rays |                  | 10 <sup>14</sup><br> <br> | 1012             | 10 <sup>10</sup><br>Microwave | 10°<br>FM<br>Radio      | AM<br>AM        | 10*<br>1     | 10 <sup>2</sup><br>Long radic | 10 <sup>o</sup><br>v waves | ν (Hz) |
| 10  | -16                       | 10 <sup>-14</sup>        | 10 <sup>-12</sup> | 10 <sup>-10</sup>          | 10 <sup>-8</sup> | 10 <sup>-6</sup>          | 10 <sup>-4</sup> | 10 <sup>-2</sup>              | 10 <sup>0</sup><br>Incr | 10 <sup>2</sup> | 104<br>Wavel | 10 <sup>6</sup><br>ength ()   | $10^{8}$                   | λ (m)  |
|     |                           |                          |                   | Vi                         | sible s          | pectrum                   |                  |                               |                         |                 |              | 0 (                           | - /                        |        |
| 380 | V                         | 450                      | В                 | 495                        | G                | <sup>570</sup>            | 0 0              |                               | R                       |                 | 750          |                               |                            |        |
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The X-ray wavelength is between the UV light and the hard  $\gamma$  rad wavelengths.





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The typical source of X-ray is an X-ray lamp. The electrons are a voltage difference between asthed voltage difference between cathode and anode. The proper choice of anode material can give monochromatic radiation. Unwanted wavelengths can be eliminated by filters. The typical materials of the X-ray lamp anode are Mo, Cu, Ag, Co, Fe.



The left part of the image shows historical models of X-ray lamp construction used in nowadays diffractometers is on the right.





The structure analysis of small crystals or big biological molecule **BY SA** intensity and adjustable wavelength of the radiation. Such source is synchrotron. The electrons circulate in a long evacuated tube. They are accelerated and directed by magnetic fields. The additional energy they get is tangentially emitted. The intensity is several orders of magnitude higher than from X-ray lamp. The photography shows European Synchrotron Radiation Facility (ESRF) in Grenoble, France.

#### Interaction of a crystal with radiation

The radiation can interact with the material in 3 different ways. A  $\beta_{BY} = \beta_{A}$  simply absorbed – this process can be described by Lamber-Beer rule. The second possibility is fluorescence. The material emits a different wavelength (longer  $\lambda$ ) than the  $\lambda$  of the incoming light. For the study of crystals, diffraction is the most important feature. The  $\lambda$  does not change and the photons are re-emitted by vibrating electrons.



Different atoms differ in the ability to re-emit X-rays. The ability BY SA scattering factor. The photons are scattered by electrons, therefore the atom scattering factor depends linearly on the number of elements electrons (and the position in the periodic table). The best scatters are heavy atoms like U, Pb, the worse one is H.





There exists only certain direction is space in which the waves meet in phase only in certain direction.



A real life analogy can be several ducks sitting periodically on a  $\begin{bmatrix} \bigcirc & \bigcirc & \bigcirc \\ & \bigcirc & \bigcirc & \bigcirc \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ &$ 



The direction of the waves satisfying the "to be in phase" condition  $(n^*2\pi)$  to be in phase. This is the d\*sin( $\theta$ ) + d\*sin( $\theta$ ) + distance from the image. If we have 2 planes in distance *d* filled by lattice points the angle of X-ray diffraction can be calculated from the right-angel triangles in the image and the sine function.



There exist infinite number of planes going through all lattice points  $_{\rm EV}$   $_{\rm SA}$  to speak about planes filled by lattice points, we must have a terminology to identify such a plane. Each plane is identified by 3 Miller indices – (h,k,l). The value of the Miller indices is a reciprocal to the distance in with intersect the plane on the unit cell axes. Planes witch intersect the axes in infinity (parallel to the axes) have Miller indices 0 (1/ $\infty$ ). Not to be forced to use the n in Bragg equation we use in calculations planes parallel to existing one (e.g. (4,2,0) parallel to (2,1,0) ).



The image on the left shows different planes going through the ut BY SA (2,0,0) plane does not go through any lattice points, but it is parallel with (1,0,0) and satisfies the diffraction condition in Bragg equation for n=2. Another use for Miller indices is the description of crystal planes on macroscopic crystals. Each crystal plane on a crystal is perpendicular to a layer of lattice points inside the crystal and can be assigned by corresponding Miller indices.



For each crystal system there exists a relation between inter-plana Muller indices and lattice parameters. We can calculate the d value from the Bragg equation. If we have enough d values and corresponding Miller indices (h,k,l) we can solve the equations and calculate lattice parameters.

| Lattice parameters identification – cubic Si   |  |                                 |   |   |  |  |  |
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| 20   | $d=0.5*\lambda/\sin(\theta)$                   | h,k,l                           | Q=h*h+k*k+l*l                                 | a=sqr(Q*d*d)  |  |  |  |
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The question is how to get the correct Muller indices (h,k,l). h,k,l whole number (integer). We can try to solve the lattice equation for different integers. When we get in all cases the same lattice parameters, the problem is solved. The slide shows lattice parameters determination for cubic crystalline silicon.



To be able to geometrically predict the diffraction direction a tran the Real lattice was developed = the Reciprocal lattice. The Reciprocal lattice is constructed in the following way: We choose a real lattice point (P). We make a line perpendicular to the selected plane. On this line we find a point in 1/d distance from the previously selected lattice point (P). The reciprocal lattice is created by points which can be assigned by Miller indices – each point characterizes a set of plane from the crystal. See that e.g. (2,0,0) point is further from origin than (1,0,0) due to the 1/d construction.



This simulation code shows the Reciprocal lattice in the space. The space of O(O) and O(O) by the space of planes instead of positions of motives created by atoms. The lattice is infinite ... The size of the points (weighting) is related to Structure factor which will be described later.



On the other hand the Real space lattice is formed by lattice point motives/atoms location.





The Reciprocal lattice can be utilized for diffraction direction pre BY SA combination with Ewald sphere geometrical construction. The Ewald sphere has a  $1/\lambda$  radius. We place I crystal in the center of the sphere and the (0,0,0) point of Reciprocal lattice on the sphere (in opposite direction than the incoming X-ray).



The rotation of the crystal according to X-ray direction is identicated by BY = SAthe reciprocal lattice along the (0,0,0) point.





Let us inspect the situation when a reciprocal lattice point crosses BY <sub>BY SA</sub> sphere. The distance of such point from (0,0,0) is  $1/d_{hkl}$ . In the image we can see 2 x right triangles. The hypotenuse length is  $1/\lambda$ . Based on the sine function definition we can derive the dependence between d and  $\theta$  angle. It is identical to Bragg equation. We can geometrically determine the 2 $\theta$  angle fulfilling the diffraction condition in this way.



The Ewald construction can be utilized for modelling the key X-r instrument – single crystal diffractometer with area detector. The phosphor screen detects X-ray diffractions in the red lines direction.

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The reciprocal lattice can be used inside a graphical software simes and the software makes it possible to rotate the crystal and change the wavelength. The most common experiments work with fixed wavelength and moving crystal.





We can put in the position of a single crystal a powder sample. The sample identical to random rotation of a single crystal. The detector will show circles, not discrete points. The result is the so called powder diffractogram.

# Possible diffraction experiments

| name                               | radiation     | notice  |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---|
| Single crystal diffraction         | monochromatic | Single crystal necessary                                |
| Single crystal<br>– Laue<br>method | polychromatic | Fast, hard to<br>interpret, single<br>crystal necessary |
| Powder<br>diffraction              | monochromatic | Powder sample,<br>loss of<br>diffraction<br>information |

This table summarizes the possible diffraction experiments and the BY SA advantages/disadvantages advantages/disadvantages.





BY diffractometer with point detector. The disadvantage of this system is speed diffraction intensity is measured only in one point.



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The construction of four circle diffractometer can be improved by BY area detector. Such detector measures X-ray intensity in multiple points and speeds up the measurement.



The construction of diffractometer targeted to measure powder satisfies are used. The result is intensity dependence on the  $2\theta$  angle – powder diffractogram.

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For fast measurement of powder samples an intensity enhancing the second structure BY = SA developed – Bragg-Brentano geometry. This geometry re-focuses diffracted X-rays from a flat sample to speed up the measurement. It is used mainly for routine fast phase analysis.



The speed of powder diffractometer can be enhanced by the use of





Another geometry for powder experiments is Debye-Scherer. The placed in a non diffracting capillary.

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## **Debye-Scherer diffractometer**



Debye-Scherer diffractometer at ESRF Grenoble synchrotron facility

### Chemistry and Physics of Solids– lecture 3

## Structure factor, single crystal and powder diffraction

#### techniques

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#### Lecture content

- Structure factor
- X-ray structure analysis
- Qualitative and quantitative X-ray phase analysis





radiation depends on the reflecting atom type. The X-rays are reflected by electrons. The ability to reflect X-rays depends linearly on atomic number. The property is called atomic scattering factor.





To get the amplitude of a final wave, we must combine waves get  $x_{BY}$  sA atoms in the structure. The waves will differ in amplitude and in phase shift. The amplitude will be determined by the atom specific atomic scattering factor. Fig 1 shows a theoretical structure formed by 2 atoms : a heavy one in position 0,0,0 and a light one in position x,y,z (fractional coordinates). The light atom wave (red) will have lower amplitude and phase shift according to the heavy atom wave (blue) Fig 2. The waves of heavy atoms will have a phase shift equivalent to  $2\pi$  to satisfy Bragg equations. The light atom is not in 0,0,0 position, so its phase shift will be determined by its fractional coordinates  $2\pi x$ ,  $2\pi y$ ,  $2\pi z$ . To be able to work with any planes the final equation for phase shift is  $2\pi(hx+ky+lz)$ .



The wave combination can be visualized in imaginary space. Eac BY is a as a vector with 2 properties: amplitude (length f) and phase angle  $\Phi$ . To get final wave (F) properties we must combine together waves from all atoms (j –index). The length of F can be clouted by Pythagorean theorem F<sup>2</sup>=A<sup>2</sup>+B<sup>2</sup>. A = sum of cos phase shift multiplied by atomic scattering factors. B = sum of sin phase shift multiplied by atomic scattering factors. The F<sup>2</sup> corresponds to the intensity measured by the diffractometer detector. The structure factor equation gives us the key relation between measured intensity , atom positions (x,y,z) and type (f).



The first useful thing for which we can use structure factor is space  $P2_1$ . Such a structure must for each atom in x,y,z, position have another one in -x,-y,z+0.5 (screw axis in z direction). We can calculate the structure factor for (0,0,1) reflection and (0,0,2) reflection. The result is the intensity from  $(0,0,1), (0,0,3) \dots$  will be always 0. This effect can be utilized for space group determination.





The functionality of 4 cycle diffractometer can be simulated by a diffractOgram (see lecture 2).





At the beginning of crystal structure solution, we have access typ BY SA following information: lattice parameters, intensity of several reflections as measured by single crystal diffractometer, elementary analysis and at least some guess about the molecule shape.

# Structure solution – space group determination

- Lattice parameters
- Reflection extinction
- Number of molecules in unit cell
- $Z=(\rho^*V)/(M_r^*U_a), U_a=1.66034*10^{-27}kg$
- Molecule chirality
- Usual space groups: P1, P-1, P2<sub>1</sub>, P2<sub>1</sub>/c, P2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>, Pnma

Before we go on with structure solution, we must identify the spa lattice parameters we can identify the crystal system. In given crystal systems only selected space groups occur. From missing (extinct) reflection we can identify symmetry elements with translation (see Structure factor). From the molecule formula and density we can calculate the number of molecule sin the unit cell. Only 2 molecules in unit cell e,g, avoids 4-fold axis presence. A presence of chiral center avoid presence of symmetry elements avoiding chirality. In addition organic s prefer to occur only in some selected space groups (inorganic one crystals in any one).



It is possible to calculate from the structure factor an electron der EV SA Electron density can be directly interpreted as atom positions. Unfortunately, to be able to make this calculation we need to know both intensity and the phase shift of the F (final wave). The phase shift cannot be experimentally measured. We can measure only the final wave intensity. This issue is called Phase problem.

## Phase problem solution

From some rough model we can calculate rough phases:

 $F_{hkl} = A + iB$  $F_{hkl} = \sum_{j} f_{j} \cos 2\pi (hx_{j} + ky_{j} + lz_{j}) + i \sum_{j} f_{j} \sin 2\pi (hx_{j} + ky_{j} + lz_{j})$ 

We can combine rough phases with measured intensities and calculate electron density and better model.

$$\varrho(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} F_{hkl} \exp\left[-2\pi i(hx + ky + lz)\right]$$

We can cycle this approach and get improved model..

How to get starting model?



When we know the atom position, we can calculate the unknown combine such potentially unknown phases with experimental intensities. The result can be used to calculate electron density map and to improve the model. Such a cycling can help to finalize the model. The key question is how to get any starting model at all?



The phase of the final structure factor is primarily determined by BY SA the most heavy atoms (with high atomic scattering factor). The position of heavy atoms itself can be a good enough starting model. Without knowledge of phases we can calculate the so called Patterson function from the data intensities only. The maxima on Patterson functions show no atom positions but inter-atom vector distances. There exist software and methods how to derive the positions of heavy atoms from the maximum peaks on Patterson map.

#### Known fragment search

Idea:

10 atoms = 10\*3 = 30 x, y, z parameters Systematic search with step  $0.1 = 10^{30}$  calculations

10 atoms in rigid fragment = 6 x, y, z,  $\varphi$ ,  $\chi$ ,  $\psi$  parameters Systematic search with step  $0.1 = 10^{6}$  calculations



It is often sufficient to find 30% of atoms in this way. There can be problems with flexible parts of the molecule



Another method how to get a starting model is fragment search. atoms positions randomly and check whether the model is correct (by comparison of calculated and observed structure factors intensities). Even for 10 atoms such calculation is too computationally expensive to give results within reasonable time. When we place one atom somewhere in space the next atom cannot be anywhere – the structure has a restricted geometry given by typical inter-atomic distances, angles and torsion angles. The position of a rigid fragment from any number of atoms can be described by only 6 parameters. Random search through 6 parameter is an easy task ...

### Known fragment search

Idea:

- generate rigid fragment (from database, Qm calautions e.t.c.)

- vary 6 x, y, z, fi  $\varphi$ ,  $\chi$ ,  $\psi$  and monitor the fit between calculated and observed intensities

Software: DIRDIF, FOX

# Direct (statistic) methods

Electron density properties:

- it is never less than 0

- it is localized in points/speheres

It is possible to determine equations between phases of intensive reflections

Sayre formula:

$$s(F_{h'k'l'}) \approx s(F_{hkl}) s(F_{h'-h,k'-k,l'-l})$$



Another method for solving phase problem are direct methods. The set of the

# Direct (statistic) methods

Idea:

-Randomly chose phases of some strong reflections

- from Sayre formula generate phases of other reflections
- check whatever solutions give sense, repeat if necessary

Software: SHLEXS, SIR92





A modern variant of the direct method is the so-called "Charge fleet based only on the assumption that the electron density cannot be less than 0.

| "Charg   | e flipping" Method   |
|--|--|
| idea:<br>- random phases are ass<br>- electron density is calo<br>- negative electron dens<br>- z new phases are calcu<br>- new phases are combi | aigned<br>culated<br>aity is corrected<br>alated<br>ned with measured intensities.   |
| repeat<br>Software:<br>SuperFlip,<br>CRYSTALS  | Characterization of the second |
|  | Drawing Parameters Par |

The slide shows how the "Charge flipping" method works. A free BY SA charge\_flip.jar exists for graphical demonstration.



#### Structure refinement

$$\left|F_{c}\right| = \left|F_{c}(p_{1} \ldots p_{n})\right|$$

Calculated structure factor depends on model parameters

We want to minimize square of calculated and observed intensities.

$$\sum_{hkl} w_{hkl} [|F_0| - |F_c(p_1 \dots p_n)|]^2 = \min$$

Taylor expansion and conversion to system of linear equation is used (numeric math methods).

$$\sum_{hkl} 2w_{hkl} \left[ \left| F_0 \right| - \left| F_c(p_1^0 \dots p_n^0) \right| - \frac{\partial \left| F_c \right|}{\partial p_1} \Delta p_1 - \dots - \frac{\partial \left| F_c \right|}{\partial p_n} \Delta p_n \right] \frac{\partial \left| F_c \right|}{\partial p_j} = 0$$

The last step of structure determination is Structure refinement. V optimize the structure model to find an agreement between calculated and measured structure factors intensities. The equations are non-linear so the solution is based on Taylor expansion and repeated solution of linear equations.



During the refinement we can modify the following parameters of BY atom positions, description of their thermal motion, disorder (multiple possible locations of one atom)



At the and of the structure solution a check for possible missing a BY SA performed. Electron density calculated from our model will be subtracted from electron density calculated from experimental data. The difference (difference Fourier map) shows often missing atoms – typically hydrogen.



The quality of the result is limited by the number of measured int perfect electron density map can be calculated only from infinite number of measured diffraction intensities. With the help of forward and reverse Fourier calculations, the influence of the intensities number on the map quality can be visualized.

## Model quality evaluation

- R a Rw factors
- Residual electron density
- Errors of parameters (e.s.d.)
- Chemical sense of the result

$$R = \frac{\sum_{hkl} \|F_0\| - \|F_c\|}{\sum_{hkl} \|F_0\|}$$

$$wR = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sum_{hkl} w_{hkl} (|F_0| - |F_c|)^2}{\sum_{hkl} w_{hkl} |F_0|^2}\right)}$$

The quality of the structure model can be determined by comparied by Comparied UP SA diffraction intensities calculated form the model and measured intensities. Quantitative measure as so-called R factors. Other quality indicators: residual electron density, errors of geometry parameters, general molecular geometry sense.

#### Information obtained

- Chemical composition
- Inter molecular bond system
- Intra molecular bond system (bond lengths, angles, torsion angles)
- Absolute configuration (chirality)
- Electron density

From the structure solution process we can get the following info

## Software available

| Target                | name                                     |
|-----------------------|--|
| Structure solution    | Sir92, SHLEXS,<br>DIRDIF, FOX, SuperFlip |
| Structure refinement  | CRYSTALS, SHELX                          |
| Results visualization | Platon, Mercury,<br>DSViewer, Ortep      |

List of existing software for different mentioned tasks.



# CRYSTALS – software demo



Demo of CRYSTALS software (structure solution, structure refinery visualization)

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to a 1D powder diffraction record. On 4 circle diffractometer we will see on the detector circles, not separated points.



The images from area detector illustrate the difference between s powder sample.



The powder data can be described as 1D record – intensity dependent diffraction angle  $2\theta$ .

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For routine phase analyses we use powder diffractometer with brace by semi focusing geometry.

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The prime use of powder data is phase identification. The positio **BY SA** intensities of reflections can be automatically compared to a database of diffraction record and present phases can be identified. The image shows a screenshot from commercial High Score Plus software (PanAnalytical) during phase analysis evaluation.

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|--|----------------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| SiO <sub>2</sub>   | dÅ                         | Int            | hkl               | dÅ                         | Int           | hk                |
| Silicon Oxide Quartz, low, syn   | 4.257<br>3.342<br>2.457    | 22<br>100<br>8 | 100<br>101<br>110 | 1.1532<br>1.1405<br>1.1143 | 1<br><1<br><1 | 31<br>20-<br>30   |
| <b>Rad.</b> CuK $\alpha_1$ $\lambda$ 1.540598 Filter Mono. d-sp Diff.  | 2.282<br>2.237             | 8<br>4         | 102<br>111        | 1.0813<br>1.0635           | 2<br><1       | 312<br>40         |
| Ref. Nat. Bur. Stand. (U.S.) Monogr. 25, (1981)  | 2.127<br>1.9792            | 6<br>4         | 200<br>201        | 1.0476<br>1.0438           | 1<br><1       | 10:<br>40         |
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| group. Silicon used as internal standard. PSC: hP9. To replace 5-490.<br>Plus 6 reflections to 0.9089.   | 1.2558<br>1.2285<br>1.1999 | 2<br>1<br>2    | 302<br>220<br>213 | 1.854                      | 40            |                   |
|  | 1.1978                     | 1 3            | 221               | 1 4 9                      | 1914          |                   |

The information about powder diffraction data are stored in PDF (Powder Diffraction Files). The data contains compound identification, reflection position in d-values, relative reflection intensity. Lattice parameters, space group and reference to structure solution are listed if known.



A mixture of 2 phases gives a record which is a simple summation individual records of both phases.

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The image shows a record of 2 different citric acid phases mixed




For quantitative phase analysis we must at first identify the phase BY SA database we can find the so-called corundum number – intensity ratio of maximal intensity line of the phase and corundum intensity in 50:50 mixture. The corundum number can be utilized for quantitative phase analysis – equations on the slide.

| Free software used in the lectures  |            |  |
|---|------------|--|
| Name  | Screenshot | WWW link   |
| e-Crystallography<br>course<br>(Escher,<br>diffractOgram,<br>crystalOgraph, Charge<br>flipping) |            | http://escher.epfl.ch/eCryst<br>allography/                                    |
| CSD Mercury   |            | http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk<br>/solutions/csd-<br>system/components/mercur<br>y/ |
| CRYSTALS  |            | http://www.xtl.ox.ac.uk/cry<br>stals.1.html                                    |

List of software used during lectures 1-3 with links to the source.



#### Chemistry and Physics of Solids – Lecture 4

#### Introduction to crystal chemistry



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#### Crystal chemistry What does it do?

#### Lecture 4a

"From all of the physical properties of substances, no one is as constant and remarkable in all respects as the same chemical compounds always accept one and the same geometric form with unusual precieves

Whewell William - History of the inductive sciences, 1869

#### Crystal chemistry What does it do?

- Crystal chemistry is essentially inorganic chemistry of crystalline solids. It is the science of crystal structures and their association with the principal of the matter.
- It studies structures of crystals distribution of atoms and their chemical bond in a 3D space.
- It tries to influence the dependence of the physical and chemical properties of crystalline substances on their

# What to do with that ???



After today's 1st and next 2nd lectures you will know how to:

- Determine the coordinate numbers <a>O</a>
  Determine the coordinate numbers
  Determine the coordinate numbers
- Derive the structures of ionic, some covalent and most metal compounds from the concept of close packing of atoms or ions
  - You will understand the structures of silicates and
    - know what solid solutions mean

## Crystal chemistry



It studies the relationships between the inner structure of the crystals and their physico-chemical properties. It studies the arrangement of molecules, atoms or ions in crystals and the existing forces between them. 5

# Crystal chemistry





#### Fullerene

#### Fullerite

#### Atomic radius in covalent, metal, ion, and van der Waals bonds

van der Waals radius characterizes the minimum contacts of the atoms, belonging to different molecules. It is counted as half the smallest distance between atoms with van der Waals bond.



#### Atomic radius in covalent, metal, ion, and van der Waals bonds



# The type of chemical bond can be derived from the radius



#### Trends in atomic sizes

The atomic sizes (radius) increase downwards in groups and from right to left in periods.



# How to determine the radius of an atom in metals?



The first estimates of atomic radius were performed by W. Bragg (1920)

# Atomic radius derived by crystal chemistry

Although there are different types of chemical bonds and structures, with one type of bond and its order, the dAB distance for a given pair of atoms is maintained at an accuracy of the order of 0.05-0.1 Å. This allows the approximate constant "dimensions" - crystal chemical radii to be assigned to atoms for the given or other type of bond in the first approximation.

The main characteristic of crystallochemical radii is the reproduction at summation of chemical bond lengths (radius admitivity).

In accordance with the basic types of chemical bonds, four systems differ crystallochemical radii:

Ionic, covalent, metal and van der Waals

(cc)

## Size of ions

• size of ions A  $Li \longrightarrow Li^{\dagger} + e^{-}$ The radius of the B  $F + e^{-} \longrightarrow F^{-}$ atom varies with

Li  $(1s^22s^1) \rightarrow Li^+ (1s^2)$ F  $1s^22s^22p^5 \rightarrow F^- (1s^22s^22p^6)$ 



ion formation

#### Determination of ionic radii is not clear

ionic radius = d - r(F, O...)



The most important method of the structural analysis: X-ray diffraction



Electron density along the Li-F axis

#### L. Pauling:

- The radius of one ion is fixed usually an oxygen anion (r (O2-) = 140 pm)
- This value was used to build a consistent value set radii of other ions.

#### **Everything in the world is relative** The term radius of atom will be understood as follows:

The distribution of electron density is in fact continuous So what is the "radius"? This is an agreed (conditional) radius



#### Crystal structure

shows how atoms, ions, or molecules are spatially arranged

In describing crystalline structures, we consider atoms as solid (incompressible) spheres having defined diameters; the spheres representing the nearest atoms touch each other



The grid represents a three-dimensional arrangement of points that may not coincide with atomic positions

#### In which directions of the elemental cells BCC and FCC the atoms touch each other?



#### 1) Cubic primitive unit cell

8 atoms are at the corners - the atoms touch along the edges, but not along the diagonals. Coordinate number = 6. 4 in the layer, 1 above and 1 under

1 atom / elemental cell (1/8 × 8 atoms)



## Efficiency of the arrangement

atomic volume in the unit cell\*

volume of the unit cell

\* suppose rigid spheres

• EU of primitive cubic structure = 0.54

EU



#### 2) Cubic body-centered unit cell

8 atoms located at the corners and 1 atom at the center of the cube – the atoms at the corners touch it. Coordination number = 8 atoms above the center and 4 atoms down. Content: 2 atoms / elemental cell (1/8 × 8 atoms + 1 atom in the center)



Efficiency of the arrangement = 68%



4r

#### 3) Cubic face-centered unit cell

8 atoms are located at the corners of the cube and 6 at the center of each surface - the corner atoms touch the atom in the area not at the edges of each other. Coordination number = 12.4 atoms / elementary cell (1/8 x 8 corner atoms +  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 6 atoms in the area).



fcc

# 4) What is the density of packing in the diamond cell

8 atoms are located at the corners of the cube and 6 at the center of each area. 4 atoms are located in  $\frac{1}{4}$  diagonals. Together 8 atoms / elemental cell (1/8 x 8 corner atoms +  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 6 atoms in areas + 4 atoms inside).



The packing density of the diamond structure is 34%

#### Packing of elements (particles)

Irregular particle shapes can also be struck, but spherical symmetry is much better.









periodical packing

## Kepler's presumption





«The crystals are composed of densely arranged spheres » The assumption is very close to the truth than it would seem. 24

Cubic close packing or cubic face centered – FCC Prerequisite: atoms – incompressible, hard balls



The square arrangement of solid spheres is not th pac

By pushing the atoms into a closer arrangement, triangular gaps occur

primitive packing low degree of space filling

Square balls arrangement

Cubic close packing or cubic face centered - FCC Strukture A1

abcabc...



The most effective method of packing balls of the same size - CCP • 6 closest neighbors Coordination number (CN): 6

put the second triangular space The third layer is over vacant cavities.

Coefficient of filling of the closest packing corresponds to 74%.



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Cubic close packing or cubic face centered - FCC Strukture A1



In ABCABC-type packing ... the layers have hexagonal symmetry. Packing leads to the formation of a 3-fold axis with an angle of 54.74 degrees to the original 6-fold axis, and the so-called CCP pattern (FCC elementary cell)

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#### Hexagonal close packing HCP layout. Structure A3



abab...

1. Press each row in the first layer in to the closest packing

2. Place the second now into triangular spaces

3. The third layer of atoms is located directly above the first layer

4. There is a hexagonal elementary cell

5. The tighter structure has a fill space factor of 74%

coordination number = 12

(3 above, 6 in row, 3 under)

Hexagonal close packing HCP layout. Structure A3



Hexagonal close packing HCP layout. Structure A3



#### Structure with Hexagonal Close Packing (HCP) -Unit Cell



Examples of elements with HCP structure :  $\alpha$ -Ti, Zn, Mg, Be, Co... <sup>32</sup>

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- The hexagonal lattice contains two atoms or ions (at (0,0,0),  $\binom{2}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ); ...and the HCP structure is created. In this ideal structure, the ratio is c / a ~ 1.632
- Real crystals with HCP often (mostly!) have c/a ratios different from ideal values



# Theoretical density p

density = 
$$\rho$$
 =

Mass of Atoms in Unit Cell Total Volume of Unit Cell

$$\rho = \frac{nA}{V_C N_A}$$



where 
$$n =$$
 number of atoms/unit cell  
 $A =$  atomic weight  
 $V_C =$  Volume of unit cell =  $a^3$  for cubic  
 $N_A =$  Avogadro's number  
= 6.023 x 10<sup>23</sup> atoms/mol

# Theoretical density p



Ex: Cr (BCC)

A = 52.00 g/mol

*R* = 0.125 nm

*n* = 2







# Polytypes

The ABCABC ... and ABAB ... sequences are just two of an infinite number of possibilities. The point is that at each stage of construction there are positions in A, B or C positions For example:? ABCAB ABCAB ABCAB ...? ABCABCAB ABCABCAB ABCABCAB ... This is why crystals with larger elemental cells are formed If the layers are arranged irregularly - then the crystal does not appear

The composition of the substances may move after a certain branch of the diagram and / or may end up after a certain sequence and its repetition results in the formation of a crystal



Polytype forms have the same lattice parameters the layer and vary in a perpendicular direction directly proportional to the number of layers in the period.

Example: SiC is over 250 polytypes for example, 6H-SiC, packing sequence: ... ABCACB ...

Some polytypes contain long sequences. For example 174R - 436.7 Å 393R - 989.6 Å





**(**)

## Structure of metals

Some metals are soft and ductile (Au, Ag, Cu, Al etc)? Others are hard (Fe, W, Cr, etc.) Why ????

| Н  | Over 90% of elemental metals        |  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    | He |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----|-------------------------------------|--|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Li | Be hcp and fcc structures B C N O F |  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    | Ne |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| Na | Mg                                  | Mg (hcp and ccp have very similar Al CC () ()<br>lattice energies) |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    | Ar |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| К  | Са                                  | Sc   | Ti | V  | Cr | Mn | Fe | Со | Ni | Cu | Zn | Ga | Ge | As | Se | Br | Kr |
| Rb | Sr                                  | Y  | Zr | Nb | Мо | Тс | Ru | Rh | Pd | Ag | Cd | In | Sn | Sb | Те | I  | Xe |
| Cs | Ва                                  | La   | Hf | Та | W  | Re | Os | Ir | Pt | Au | Hg | TI | Pb | Bi | Po | At | Rn |
| Fr | Ra                                  | Ac   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |



BCC

Primitive cubic - PS



HCP

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## FCC and HCP metal structures and INM

Metal structures can be described by the -"closest packing" of atoms in the form of non-pressurized spheres.
Some INM structures can be deries of the binary compounds in which "cavities" in the FCC structure are filled

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#### Close packing and structure types



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# In the closest packings, positions for other atoms appear



The metal structures correspond to the "closest packing" of the ball symmetry atoms Many INMs can be derived from binary compounds by filling the "cavities" in the arrangement of atoms or ions.

# In the closest packings, positions for other atoms appear



## Cubic closest packings



8 tetrahedral positions / unit cell 2 tetrahedral positions / tightly arranged atom



4 octahedral positions / unit cell 1 octahedral position / tightly arranged atom

# ... 8 tetrahedral positions in the closest cubic packing



## What minimal dimension can the cation have to "fit" into the tetrahedral cavity?



# What is the site of the octahedral cavity?

In the NaCl structure, the Na<sup>+</sup> (r+ = 102 pm) cations occupy the octahedral positions in the cubic Cluster Cl anions (r = 182 µm). Suppose ions are "rigid spheres" with radii r+ and r-. Consider geometry:



The cation must have contact with the 6 surrounding anions (KC 6), but must also prevent the anions from contacting each other. Minimum cation radius (r+)<sub>min</sub> :

$$r^{-} + 2(r^{+})_{\min} + r^{-} = \sqrt{2}(2r^{-})$$
  
(r^{+})\_{\min} = (\sqrt{2} - 1) r^{-}  
then (r^{+}/r^{-})\_{\min} = 0.414 7

Red and blue balls showing the most severe type A and B anions arrangement of layers; where do cations come in?



#### The cationic cavities Td are smaller than the Oh cavities Td cavities are 2x more than Oh cavities



#### The most common coordinating polyhedra

| 0.000-0.155 | 2  | Linear          |
|-------------|----|-----------------|
| 0.155-0.225 | 3  | Triangle        |
| 0.225-0.414 | 4  | Tetrahedra      |
| 0.414-0.732 | 4  | Square          |
| 0.414-0.732 | 6  | Octahedra       |
| 0.732-1.000 | 8  | Cube            |
| 1.000       | 12 | Closest packing |



## Compounds with the structure of CCP NaCl (halite) - stoichiometry AB



Sphere model

Polyhedral model



•CCP structure of Cl<sup>-</sup> anions with Na<sup>+</sup> cations occupying all octahedral positions

•n balls and n octahedral cavities on the elementary cell. Stoichiometry of the cation: anion = 1: 1

- •CN (cation) = 6 (octahedral); CN (anion) = 6 (octahedral)
- Fractional coordinates of Cl (0,0,0); Na (1 / 2,0,0)

### Crystal structure of NaCl Calculation of density

The theoretical density of crystalline materials can be calculated from elementary cell parameters In the case of NaCl, a = 2r + + 2r-.



Na<sup>+</sup> Ionic radii (Shannon-Prewitt): Cl<sup>-</sup> r (Na<sup>+</sup>) = 1.16 Å and r (Cl<sup>-</sup>) a = 2 (1.16) +2 (1.67) = a = 5.66 × 10<sup>-8</sup> cm

$$Density = \frac{m}{v} = \frac{\frac{4(22.99) + 4(35.45)}{6.022 \times 10^{23}}g}{(5.66 \times 10^{-8})^3 cm^3} = 2.14g/cm^3$$

The real density is 2.165 g/cm<sup>3</sup> The ratio of radii 1.16/1.67 = 0.69 corresponds to the octahedral coordination of cations

### AB: NaCl

| Representa                                | tive              | The ratio of the NaCl radius |                            |            |  |  |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|--|--|
| NaCl, CaO, Mg                             | O, FeO            | 0.56                         |                            |            |  |  |
| Coordination<br>number of Na <sup>+</sup> | Coordin<br>polyhe | ating<br>dron                | Radius of the cation (Å)   |            |  |  |
| 6   | Octahe            | edral                        | 1.02                       | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |
| Coordination<br>number of Cl <sup>-</sup> | Coordin<br>polyhe | ating<br>dron                | Radius of the<br>anion (Å) | SA         |  |  |
| 6   | Octahe            | edral                        | 1.82                       |            |  |  |

- The most common structural type (includes "ion", "covalent" and "intermetallic" compounds)
  - Most alkaline halides (except CsCl, CsBr, CsI)
  - Most alkaline earth metal oxides / chalkogenides
  - Many nitrides, carbides, hydrides (e.g., ZrN, TiC, NaH)

Valence has only an indirect impact on the coordination numbers, as evidenced by the Na<sup>I</sup>C1, Mg<sup>II</sup>O, Sc<sup>III</sup>N, Ti<sup>I</sup>VC compounds with a 14 rock salt structure, regardless of valence and binding type



- ZnS<sub>4</sub> tetrahedrons
- •CCP = FCC S<sup>2-</sup> anions with Zn<sup>2+</sup> occupying half the tetrahedral cavities •The n sphere is  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the 2n tetrahedral cavities, therefore the stoichiometry of the cation: anion = 1: 1
- The radius ratio is 0.74 / 1.84 = 0.40 => the upper limit of the tetrahedral coordination
- •CN (cation) = 4 (tetrahedral); CN (anion) = 4 (tetrahedral)
- •High contribution of covalent bond
- Fractional coordinates: S at (0,0,0); Zn at (1 / 4,1 / 4,1 / 4)
- For example, BeO, ZnO, ZnS, SiC, BN, GaAs



#### Binding in ZnS is more covalent than ionic

Incomparises of tetrahedral and octahedral coordination? sp<sup>3</sup> linkages => tetrahedral coordination
Incomparise and the statemed and octahedral coordination

## Distances M-X

### ZnS (sphalerite)

The unit cell is a cube (a = 5.43 Å). The inter-atomic distance Zn-S and the size of the body diagonal a√3 are interconnected by:

$$d_{Zn-S} = \frac{a\sqrt{3}}{4} = 2,39$$

Compare ion and covalent radii:  $\Sigma$ ionic radii = r (Zn<sup>2+</sup>) + r (S<sup>2-</sup>) = 2.65Å  $\Sigma$ covalent radii. radii = r (Zn) + r (S) = 2.35Å The latter value is closer to d<sub>Zn-S</sub>. The model is covalent





- •The structure deviates from the concept of the tightest anion arrangement
- •The closest cubic arrangement of Ca<sup>2+</sup> with F<sup>-</sup> in all tetrahedral cavities
- The n-sphere is 2n tetrahedral cavities: the stoichiometry corresponds to a ratio of 2: 1 (the ratio of the ions radii 0.74)
- Fractional coordinates: Ca<sup>2+</sup> at (0.0.0); 2F at (1 / 4,1 / 4,1 / 4) & (3 / 4,3 / 4,3 / 4)
   SrF<sub>2</sub>, BaF<sub>2</sub>, CdF<sub>2</sub>, HqF<sub>2</sub>, UO<sub>2</sub>, ThO<sub>2</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, CeO<sub>2</sub>
- In the structure of antifluorite, the positions of the anions and cations are reversed and hence the stoichiometry corresponds to:
- CCP O2 with Na+ in all tetrahedral cavities Oxides, sulphides, alkali metal tellurides Li<sub>2</sub>O,
- K<sub>2</sub>O, Li<sub>2</sub>S, K<sub>2</sub>S, Li<sub>2</sub>Se, K<sub>2</sub>Se, Li<sub>2</sub>Te, K<sub>2</sub>Te, Na<sub>2</sub>O, Pb<sub>2</sub>O, Na<sub>2</sub>S, Pb<sub>2</sub>S, Na<sub>2</sub>Te, Li<sub>2</sub>Te

•Larger octahedral cavities are not occupied in this structure - very important for the ions movement in defect structures.

# Structures derived from the closest cubic packing



# Coordination and stechiometry

#### Coordination equilibrium

The stoichiometry of the substance is not only associated with the number of atoms of each atomic type in the unit cell, but also with the coordination of:

If the compound has the composition  $M_a X_b$  and only the M-N bonds exist in the structure, then the relationship is fulfilled independently of the type of chemical bond (coordination equilibrium):

> K (M) x a = CN (X) x b or CN (M)/CN (X) = b/a Example 1 In SiO<sub>2</sub> Si is tetrahedral coordinated. What is the O CN?  $4 \times 1 = (CN O) \times 2 \rightarrow Coordination number O = 4/2 = 2$ Example 2 In CaF<sub>2</sub>, Ca is cubic-coordinated with anions F<sup>-</sup>. What is the coordination of F<sup>-</sup>?  $8 \times 1 = (coordination number F<sup>-</sup>) \times 2$  Coordination number F<sup>-</sup> = 4

## **Cubic vacancies**



### Compounds with structures that do not form the closest packing



Cubic unit cell (primitive - not body-centered)
CN (Cs) = 8 (cubic); CN (Cl) = 8 (cubic)
Fractional coordinates: Cl (0,0,0); Cs (1 / 2.1 / 2.1 / 2)
For example, CsBr, Csl, TIBr, TII, TICI, NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, NH<sub>4</sub>Br, CsCN

## Conclusions..

Closest packing of anions and what about cation?



### Hexagonal closest packing (hcp)





hcp ≠ bcc

# HCP: tetrahedral sites



4 sites/unit cell 2 sites/closely packed atom

## HCP: octahedral sites



- 2 sites/unit cell
- 1 site/closely packed atom



## HCP variant of NaCl -NiAs (nickeline)



- The HCP packing of cation and anions occupy all (2) Oh positions
- The cationic layers are superimposed
- CN = 6.6
- In the direction of the c-axis, the Ni-Ni distance is shortened.
   Overlapping orbitals lead to metal bonding
- The structure of NiAs is common for metallic compounds consisting of (a) transition metals with (b) elements which are occupied by the orbitals of As, Sb, Bi, S, Se. For example: NiS, FeS, CoS, PtSn



#### ZnS wurtzite



- HCP of S<sup>2-</sup> with Zn<sup>2+</sup> in the middle of tetrahedral cavities (T + {or T-})
  Stoichiometry of the cation: anion = 1: 1
- CN (Zn) = 4 (tetrahedral); CN (S) = 4 (tetrahedral)
- ZnS bleach and wurtzite are polymorphic modifications. Zn wurtzite is a high temperature ZnS
- Fractional coordinates: 5 (0,0,0) & (2/3,1/3,1/2); Zn (2/3,1/3,7/8) & (0,0,3/8)
- a-ZnS, a-CdS, a-SiC (semiconductors crystallize in both polymorphic forms), AlN, BeO, ZnO.

#### Is there an HCP analogue of fluorite ( $CaF_2$ )?

• The structure of HCP with all filled tetrahedral positions (T + and T-) is not known (i.e., there is no HCP analog of fluorite or anti-fluorite structures).

• T+ and T-interstitial positions above and below the layer of tightly arranged spheres in HCP one too close to each other to allow Coulomb repulsive intervent to be tolerated.







# Unknown analog of fluorite of the HCP type

Fluorite



| Anion                    | T.   | Τ_   | 0    | Structure                                |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|--|--|--|--|
| сср                      | -    | -    | full | Halite, NaCl                             |  |  |  |
| сср                      | full | -    | -    | Sphalerite, ZnS                          |  |  |  |
| сср                      | full | full | -    | Antifluorite, Na <sub>2</sub> O          |  |  |  |
| сср                      | -    | -    | 1/2  | CdCl <sub>2</sub>                        |  |  |  |
| hcp                      | -    | -    | full |  |  |  |  |
| hcp                      | full | -    | -    | Wurtzite, ZnS                            |  |  |  |
| hcp                      | -    | -    | 1/2  | CdI2                                     |  |  |  |
| сср                      | 1/16 | 1/16 | 1/2  | Spinel, MgAl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> |  |  |  |
| hcp                      | 1/8  | 1/8  | 1/2  | Mg <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>         |  |  |  |
| hcp                      | -    | -    | 2/3  | Corundum, Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> |  |  |  |
| сср АО <sub>3</sub>      | -    | -    | 1/4  | Perovskite CaTiO <sub>3</sub>            |  |  |  |
| ccp (only <del>3</del> ) | -    | -    | 1/4  | RhO <sub>3</sub>                         |  |  |  |
|                          |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |
## Oxidic structures and networks

# metal oxides are the important solid inorganic substances

## AB<sub>2</sub>: TiO<sub>2</sub>

| Representative              | Radius of the ions $TiO_2$ |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| $TiO_2$ , $PbO_2$ , $GeO_2$ | 0.52                       |

| Coordination<br>number Ti <sup>4+</sup> | Coordinating<br>polyhedron | Radius of the cation (Å) |  |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 6                                       | Octahedral                 | 0.61 CC () ()            |  |

| Coordination<br>number O <sup>2-</sup> | Coordinating<br>polyhedron | Radius of the cation (Å) |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 3                                      | triangle                   | 1.32                     |

## Rutile TiO<sub>2</sub> stoichiometry AB<sub>2</sub>



•The radii ratio radii TiO<sub>2</sub> = 0.59 assumes CN=6. This is not the closest packing
•Distorted HCP O<sup>2-</sup> with Ti in 1/2 of the octahedral positions
•Tetragonal unit cell (a = b ≠ c)
•CN (Ti) = 6; CN (O) = 3
•Edge-shared Ti-O octahedron strings

### Rutile $TiO_2$ stoichiometry $AB_2$



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- Oxides with magnetic properties
- >  $AB_2O_4$  (MgAl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) a structural combination of NaCl and ZnS
- > The oxygen atoms form the FCC
- Normal spinel [A]<sub>tetr</sub> [B<sub>2</sub>]<sub>oct</sub>O<sub>4</sub>



- > There are different charge combinations (ratio cation:anion = 3:4)
- The repulsion between the cations leads to the fact that adjacent tetrahedral and octahedral positions are not occupied simultaneously

What is the O coordination in the spinel structure?

$$CN \text{ of } O_{Mg} = 1$$

 $6 \times 2 = (CN \text{ of } O_{AI}) \times 4$ CN of  $O_{AI} = 3$  In one form of the spinel unit there are 4 oxygen atoms. In the closest packing, there are two tetrahedral and one octahedral positions per anion. In theory, 8 tetrahedral and 4 octahedral positions should be possible in the spinel:

Mg fills 1/8 of all possible tetrahedral positions Al fills 1/2 of all possible octetric positions



Structurel of common spinel (MgAl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4.</sub>)



Cut out of the spinel structure  $(MgAl_2O_4)$ 

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### Crystal structure of the spinel $AB_2O_4$

1. The basis of the cube structure based on ccp ion A and its distribution into eight small cubes.



The complete elementary cell requires the presence of 32 atoms of O, 16 atoms of Al, and 8 atoms of Mg

2. Paste cubes of  $B_4O_4$  into half  $T_d$ , it means  $A_{1/2}B_4O_4$ 3. To the second half of  $T_d$  add  $AO_4$  cubes, it is  $A_{3/2}O_4$ 

4. STOICHIOMETRY =  $A_{1/2}B_4O_4 + A_{3/2}O_4 = A_2B_4O_8 = AB_2O_4$ 

## ABX<sub>3</sub>: Perovskite

| Representative                          | Radius of the ions  |
|---|---|
| CaTiO <sub>3</sub> , BaTiO <sub>3</sub> | Ca <sup>2+</sup> :O <sup>2-</sup> = 0.75, Ti <sup>4+</sup> :O <sup>2-</sup> =0.52 |

| Coordination<br>number Ca <sup>2+</sup> | Coordinating<br>polyhedron | Radius of the cation (Å) |          |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| 12                                      | Cubic-<br>octahedral       | 0.99 CC D                | SA<br>SA |
| Coordination<br>number Ti <sup>4+</sup> | Coordinating<br>polyhedron | Radius of the cation (Å) |          |
| 6                                       | Octahedral                 | 0.68                     |          |

| Coordination<br>number O <sup>2-</sup> | Coordinating<br>polyhedron | Radius of the cation (Å) |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 4                                      | Square                     | 1.32                     |

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## Structure of perovskite



ABO<sub>3</sub>
 CCP of the A atoms (larger) in corners
 O atoms in the centers of Takes
 Smaller atoms B are in the middle of the unit cell (occupy 25% of octahedral sites)

# Ca fills the vacant site ccp in $\frac{\text{ReO}_3}{\text{packing}}$ , = CaO<sub>3</sub> ccp

Materials with perovskite structure are often characterized by interesting electrical properties (eg piezoelectricity, ferroelectricity 42 and high temperature superconductivity).

# Coordination and stoichiometry

General coordination balance

In the case of an ionic or covalent compound of more complex composition AaBbCc ... ..Xx - where A, B, C ... are cations and X - anions. In the existence of only the cation-anion bond, we get a relationship:

a.CN(A) + b.CN(B) + c.CN(C) + ... = x.CN(X)

Specifically for perovskite it is: 1x12 (Ca) + 1x6 (

Ti (KČ=8)

0 (2Ti + 4Ca)





#### Silicates

#### Composed mostly from Si a O

Charge equilibrium:  $Si^{4+}:O^{2-}=1:2 \longrightarrow SiO_2$ 

Radius ratio:

$$\frac{R_{Si^{4+}}}{R_{O^{2-}}} = \frac{0.040nm}{0.140nm} = 0.286 \longrightarrow \text{CN} = 4$$
(Tetrahedral coordination)

Table 12.3 Ionic Radii for Several Cations and Anions (for a Coordination Number of 6)

|                  | Ionic Radius  |                 | Ionic Radius  |
|------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Cation           | ( <i>nm</i> ) | Anion           | ( <b>nm</b> ) |
| Al <sup>3+</sup> | 0.053         | Br <sup>-</sup> | 0.196         |
| Ba <sup>2+</sup> | 0.136         | Cl-             | 0.181         |
| Ca <sup>2+</sup> | 0.100         | $F^-$           | 0.133         |
| Cs <sup>+</sup>  | 0.170         | I               | 0.220         |
| Fe <sup>2+</sup> | 0.077         | $O^{2-}$        | 0.140         |
| Fe <sup>3+</sup> | 0.069         | S <sup>2-</sup> | 0.184         |
| K <sup>+</sup>   | 0.138         |                 |               |
| Mg <sup>2+</sup> | 0.072         |                 |               |
| Mn <sup>2+</sup> | 0.067         |                 |               |
| Na <sup>+</sup>  | 0.102         |                 |               |
| Ni <sup>2+</sup> | 0.069         |                 |               |
| Si <sup>4+</sup> | 0.040         |                 |               |
| Ti <sup>4+</sup> | 0.061         |                 |               |

However:

% of ionic character = 51% (a relatively lov (cc) 🛈 🧿 bnic character, substantial covalent contribution)

CN = 4

What structures we can expect?

#### Tetrahedron silicate unit



# Structure of silicates

from simple building blocks to complex structures



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Tectosilicates: shared vertexes: 4, SiO<sub>2</sub>

Zeolites: Faujasite: Ca<sub>28.5</sub>Al<sub>57</sub>Si<sub>135</sub>O<sub>384</sub>



Pores  $A_{x/n}$  [Si<sub>1-x</sub>Al<sub>x</sub>O<sub>2</sub>]•mH<sub>2</sub>O Pores

T (=Si,Al)O<sub>4</sub>-Tetrahedra share all of its vertexes, isomorphic Si<sup>4+</sup> exchange, charge cation compensation copying Al content in the skeleton, charge of the microporous matrix n: charge of cation A

- Zeolites aluminosilicates with open cavity channels
- (d <2 nm, "boiling stones")</li>
- Many applications: adsorbents, catalysis ...