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POWDER X-RAY DIFFRACTION

Part I – CRYSTALLOGRAPHY

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2.3.3. - 230 three-dimensional space groups

INTRODUCTION

Crystalline state: defined by a 3-D periodic ordering of atoms

- perfect (no defect)
- infinite

Crystal: limited part of crystalline state

- smooth faces
- regular geometric shapes: set of equal faces (cube, octahedron, prismatic...)
- possibility of cleavage (not possible for amorphous solids)

Geometric model of crystalline state

- infinite point lattices
- 3 non-coplanar vectors: **a**, **b**, **c** (in bold) or $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ (with arrows)

1. – POINT LATTICES

1-D → line lattice: **a**

2-D → plane lattice: **a , b**

3-D → space lattice: **a, b, c**

1. – POINT LATTICES

1.1. - Crystal space lattice (or direct space)

1.1.1. - Definitions

- three vectors + origin point
- lattice translations from origin to any point P_i

$$\mathbf{OP}_i = u_i \mathbf{a} + v_i \mathbf{b} + w_i \mathbf{c} \quad \text{or}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{OP}} = u_i \vec{\mathbf{a}} + v_i \vec{\mathbf{b}} + w_i \vec{\mathbf{c}}$$

- u_i , v_i and w_i are relative integers

Translation vector between two lattice points: $\mathbf{P}_1\mathbf{P}_2$ (see figure)

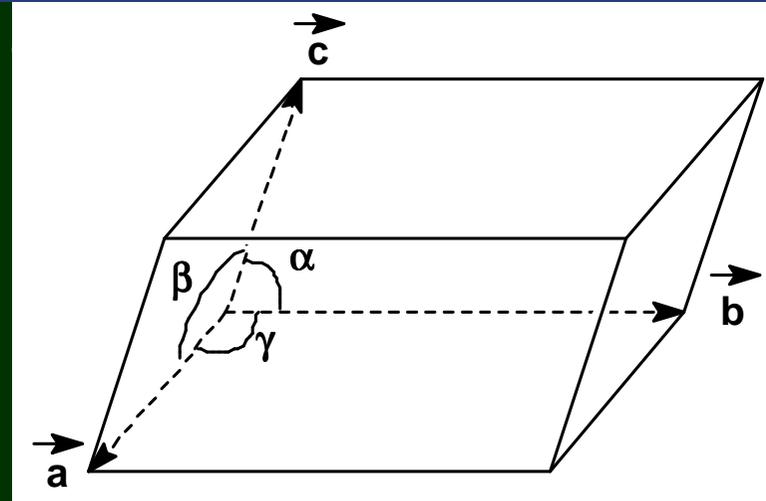
- $\mathbf{OP}_1 = u_1 \mathbf{a} + v_1 \mathbf{b} + w_1 \mathbf{c}$
- $\mathbf{OP}_2 = u_2 \mathbf{a} + v_2 \mathbf{b} + w_2 \mathbf{c}$
- $\mathbf{P}_1\mathbf{P}_2 = \mathbf{OP}_2 - \mathbf{OP}_1 = (u_2 - u_1) \mathbf{a} + (v_2 - v_1) \mathbf{b} + (w_2 - w_1) \mathbf{c}$

1. – POINT LATTICES

The vectors **a**, **b** and **c** define the **unit cell**
6 cell or lattice parameters:

a b c α β γ

$a = |\mathbf{a}| = \text{modulus of } \mathbf{a}$



The unit cell must be **right-handed** (like cork-screw)

This corresponds to a **direct rotation**

Different vector products

- Scalar product: $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$

Do you remember the analytical relation?

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}| \cdot |\mathbf{b}| \cos (\text{angle between } \mathbf{a} \text{ and } \mathbf{b})$$

- Cross product: $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$

The cross product defines a new vector perpendicular to **a** and **b** and right-handed

Do you remember the analytical relation for the modulus of this new vector?

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = |\mathbf{a}| \cdot |\mathbf{b}| \sin (\text{angle between } \mathbf{a} \text{ and } \mathbf{b})$$

1. – POINT LATTICES

Volume of unit cell: $V = (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c})$

triple or mixed product

$$V = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = (\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c})$$

With any 3 non-coplanar vectors we can build a cell:

$\mathbf{OP}_1, \mathbf{OP}_2, \mathbf{OP}_3$ with $\mathbf{OP}_i = u_i \mathbf{a} + v_i \mathbf{b} + w_i \mathbf{c}$

Or $\vec{OP}_1, \vec{OP}_2, \vec{OP}_3$

$$\vec{OP}_i = u_i \vec{a} + v_i \vec{b} + w_i \vec{c}$$

Volume of this cell?

$$(\vec{OP}_1, \vec{OP}_2, \vec{OP}_3) = \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & v_1 & w_1 \\ u_2 & v_2 & w_2 \\ u_3 & v_3 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} (\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c})$$

Value m of this determinant? m is an integer (number of lattice points in the cell)

$m > 0 \rightarrow$ right-handed cell

$m < 0 \rightarrow$ left-handed-cell

$|m| = 1 \rightarrow$ primitive cell

$|m| > 1 \rightarrow$ multiple cell

1. – POINT LATTICES

The unit cell displays the symmetry of the crystal

It can be simple or multiple

Ex.: cubic system

simple cell	$m = 1$	lattice mode P	
multiple cell	$m = 2$	lattice mode I	(body centered cell)
multiple cell	$m = 4$	lattice mode F	(face centered cell)

the simple cell is rhombohedral

Position of any point inside the cell:

$$\vec{OX} = x \vec{a} + y \vec{b} + z \vec{c}$$

x, y and z: fractional coordinates, dimensionless numbers in the range 0 to 1

1. – POINT LATTICES

1.1. - Crystal space lattice (or direct space)

1.1.2. – Lines and planes

Any line is defined by one translation **OP** which is repeated

Notation: [u v w]

Distance between two successive points on the line:

$$\text{line parameter } N_{uvw} = | \mathbf{OP} |$$

$$\vec{OP} = u \vec{a} + v \vec{b} + w \vec{c}$$

The origin of the line can be chosen at any point



Therefore [u v w] represents a set of parallel lines displaying the same line parameter

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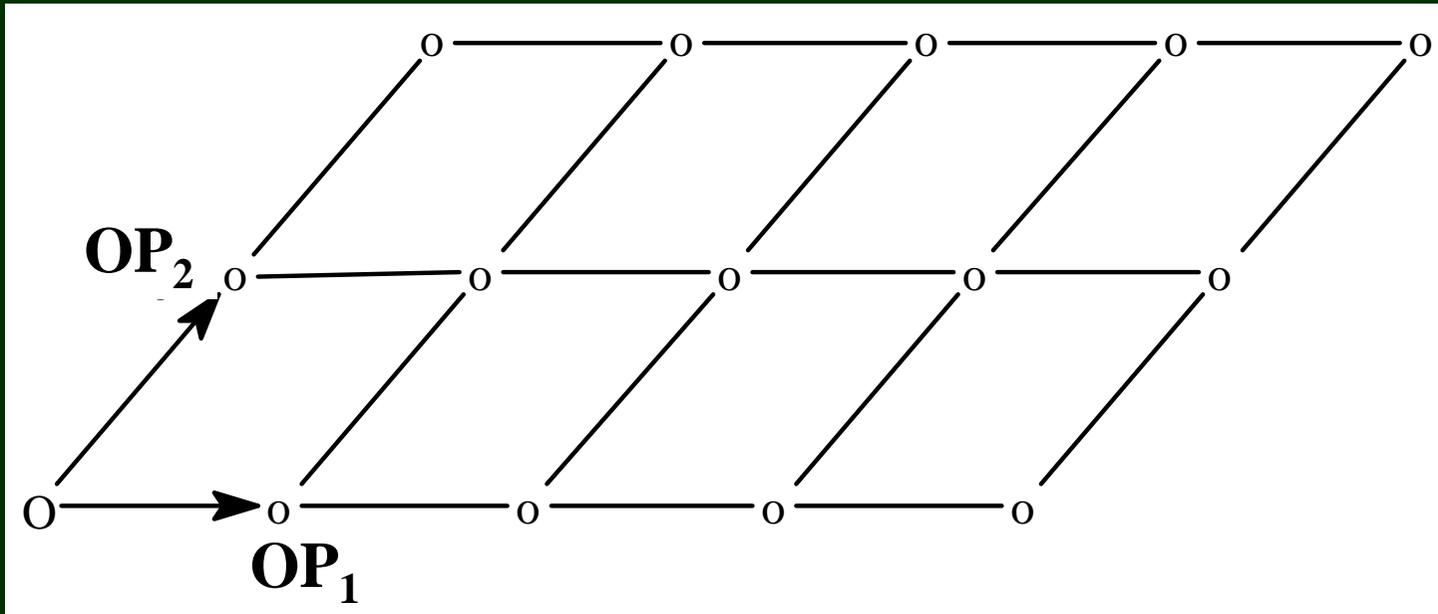
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1.1.2. – Lines and planes

A plane is defined by two translations \mathbf{OP}_1 and \mathbf{OP}_2

Any translation in the plane is represented by

$$\mathbf{T} = u \mathbf{OP}_1 + v \mathbf{OP}_2 \quad u \text{ and } v \text{ are integers}$$

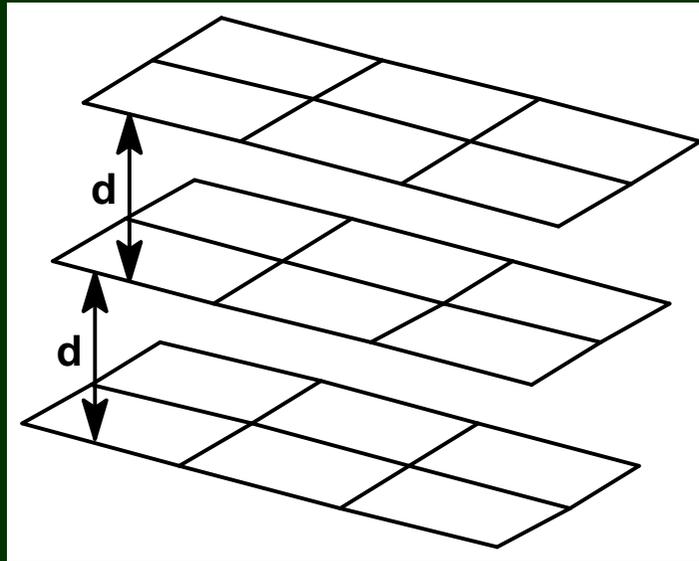


1. – POINT LATTICES

1.1. - Crystal space lattice (or direct space)

1.1.3. – Set of planes – Miller indices

The distance between two successive planes is a constant: d-spacing



If the planes are based on the vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} , how to determine d ?

$$V = (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{c} = |\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| \cdot d \quad \text{or}$$

$$V = (\vec{a} \wedge \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = |\vec{a} \wedge \vec{b}| \cdot d$$

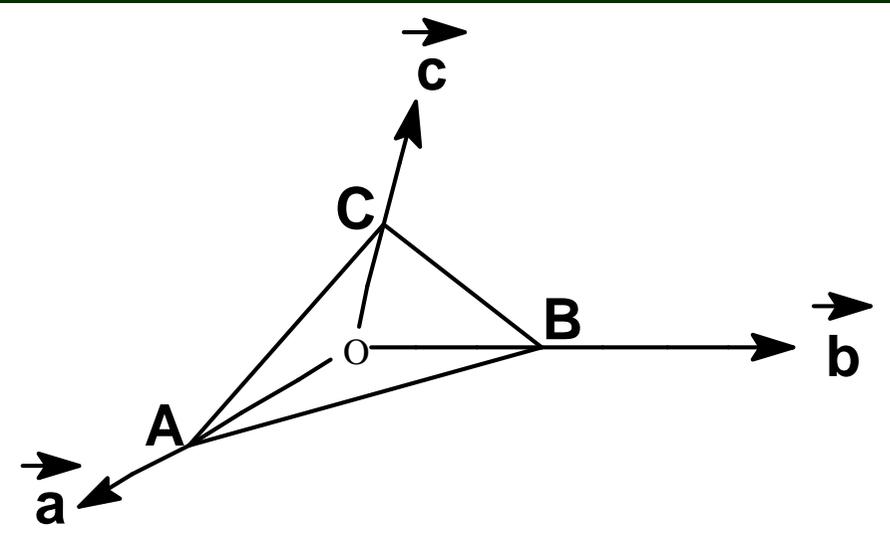
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1.1.3. – Set of planes – Miller indices

Orientation of a set of planes?

We consider the first plane from origin

$$\vec{a} = h \vec{OA} ; \quad \vec{b} = k \vec{OB} ; \quad \vec{c} = l \vec{OC}$$



The three indices h, k and l define the orientation of the plane family: (h k l)

Ex: Fractional coordinates:

$$A \ 1 \ 0 \ 0, \quad B \ 0 \ 1 \ 0, \quad C \ 0 \ 0 \ 1/2 : \\ \rightarrow (1 \ 1 \ 2)$$

$$A \ 1 \ 0 \ 0, \quad B \ 0 \ -1 \ 0, \quad C \ 0 \ 0 \ \infty \text{ (plane parallel to } c) : \\ \rightarrow (1 \ -1 \ 0) \text{ equivalent to } (-1 \ 1 \ 0)$$

$$(h \ k \ l) \equiv (-h \ -k \ -l) \text{ same plane family}$$

d-spacing of the family (h k l)

$$d_{hkl} = f(h, k, l, a, b, c, \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$

Exercices

Ex. 1. Determine the multiplicity of the cell based on the following vectors:

$$\text{a) } \vec{a} - \vec{b}, \vec{a}, -\vec{a} + \vec{c} \quad \text{b) } \vec{a}, 4\vec{a} + \vec{b}, 3\vec{a} - \vec{c}$$

Ex. 2. The angle between the perpendicular lines to the two faces $(h \ k \ 0)$ and $(h \ -k \ 0)$ has been determined for a tetragonal (quadratic) crystal. The experimental value is $53^\circ 10'$. What are the values of the indices h and k ?

Ex. 3. Determine the indices of the line going through the points $3 \ 2 \ 1$ et $2 \ -4 \ 0$.

Ex. 4. Is the line $[-2 \ 1 \ 0]$ contained in the plane $(1 \ 2 \ 3)$?

Ex. 5. What are the indices of the plane which contains the lines $[1 \ 1 \ 1]$ and $[3 \ 2 \ 1]$?

Ex. 6. Determine the indices of the line common to the planes $(3 \ 2 \ 1)$ and $(1 \ 2 \ 3)$.

Exercices

Ex. 7. What is the value of the angle between the lines $[1\ 1\ 1]$ and $[1\ 1\ 0]$ for a tetragonal lattice with cell parameters $a = 5.00\ \text{\AA}$ and $c = 3.00\ \text{\AA}$?

Ex. 8. Determine the value of the angle between the planes $(1\ 1\ 1)$ and $(1\ 1\ 0)$ for a cubic lattice with cell parameter a . Same question for the planes $(1\ 0\ 0)$ et $(1\ 1\ 0)$.

Ex. 9. Can you show that the lines $[-1\ 0\ 1]$, $[-1\ 1\ 0]$ and $[-2\ 1\ 1]$ are lying in the same plane, whatever the lattice? Determine the indices of this plane.

Ex. 10. Determine the indices of the line defined by two planes, the first going through the lattice points $3\ 2\ 1$; $2\ -4\ 0$ and $3\ 3\ -1$, and the second one through the lattice points $-1\ 2\ 1$; $1\ 1\ 1$ and $-2\ 1\ 2$.

Ex. 11. Draw the seven 1-D space groups, using a rectangular triangle as asymmetrical unit.