

## Fundamentals of Materials Science Homework 9

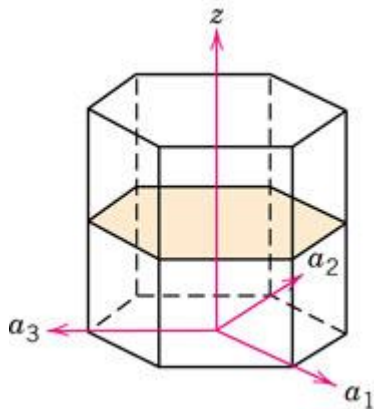
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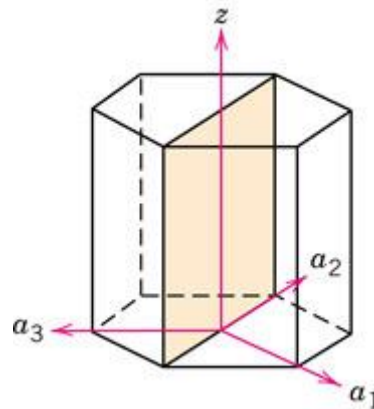
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### Homework Problems:

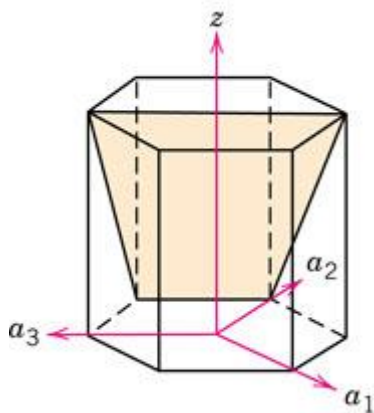
1. Determine the *Miller-Bravais* indices for the planes shown in the following unit cells:



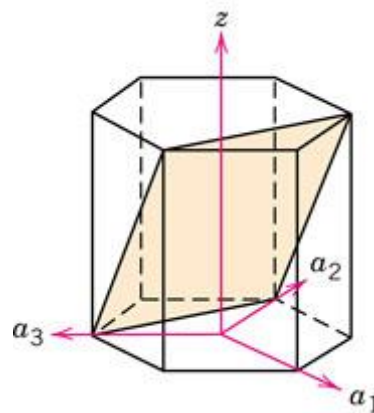
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

**Solution:**

$$(a) \because a_1 = \infty a; a_2 = \infty a; z = \frac{1}{2} c$$

$$\therefore h = 0; k = 0; l = 2; i = -(h + k) = 0$$

$$\therefore (0001)$$

$$(b) \because a_1 = a; a_2 = \infty a; z = \infty c$$

$$\therefore h = 1; k = 0; l = 0; i = -(h + k) = -1$$

$$\therefore (10\bar{1}0)$$

$$(c) \because a_1 = -a; a_2 = a; z = c$$

$$\therefore h = -1; k = 1; l = 1; i = -(h + k) = 0$$

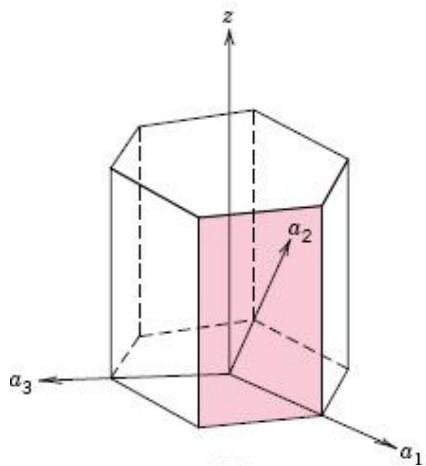
$$\therefore (\bar{1}101)$$

$$(d) \because a_1 = -\frac{1}{2}a; a_2 = a; z = \frac{1}{2}c$$

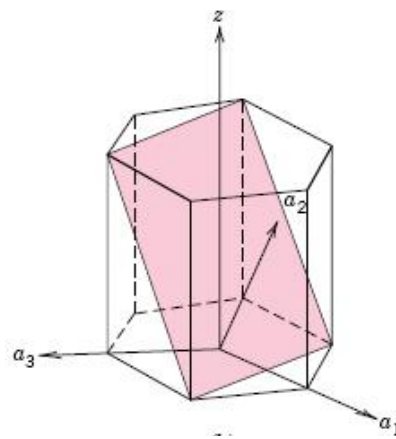
$$\therefore h = -2; k = 1; l = 2; i = -(h + k) = 1$$

$$\therefore (\bar{2}112)$$

2. Determine the *Miller-Bravais* indices for the planes shown in the following unit cells:



(a)



(b)

**Solution:**

$$(a) \because a_1 = a; a_2 = -a; z = \infty c$$

$$\therefore h = 1; k = -1; l = 0; i = -(h + k) = 0$$

$$\therefore (1\bar{1}00)$$

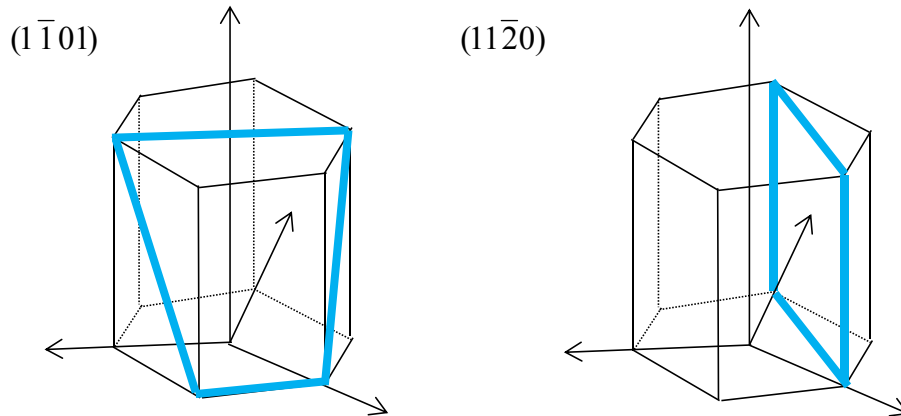
$$(b) \because a_1 = \frac{1}{2}a; a_2 = -a; z = \frac{1}{2}c$$

$$\therefore h = 2; k = -1; l = 2; i = -(h + k) = -1$$

$$\therefore (2\bar{1}\bar{1}2)$$

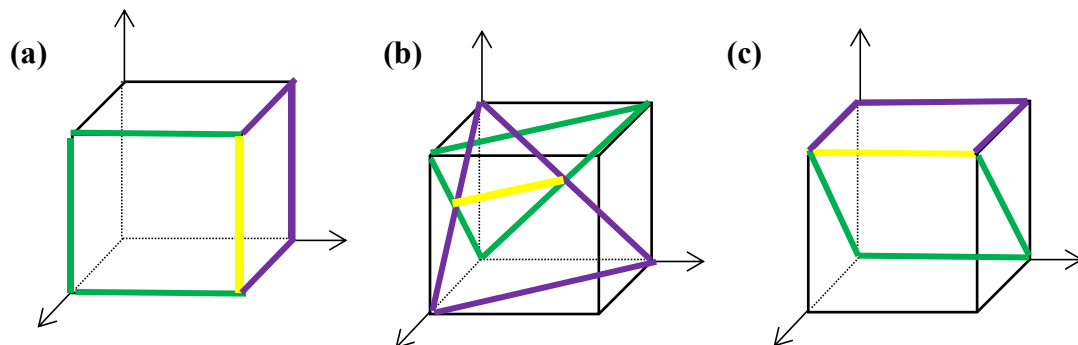
3. Sketch the  $(1\bar{1}01)$  and  $(11\bar{2}0)$  planes in a hexagonal unit cell.

**Solution:**



4. Cite the indices of the direction that results from the intersection of each of the following pairs of planes within a cubic crystal: (a) the  $(100)$  and  $(010)$  planes, (b) the  $(111)$  and  $(11\bar{1})$  planes, (c) the  $(10\bar{1})$  and  $(001)$  planes.

**Solution:**



5. For the HCP crystal structure, show that the ideal  $c/a$  ratio is 1.633. Calculate the atomic packing fraction for the hexagonal close-packed crystal structure for which  $c = a\sqrt{8/3}$ . Remember that the base of the unit cell is a parallelogram.

**Solution:**

$$APF_{HCP} = \frac{nV_1}{V} = \frac{6 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3}{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} a^2 \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} a} = \frac{6 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^3}{3\sqrt{2} a^3} = 0.74$$

- 6. Zirconium has an HCP crystal structure and a density of 6.51 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.**  
**(a) What is the volume of its unit cell in cubic meters?**  
**(b) If the  $c/a$  ratio is 1.593, compute the values of  $c$  and  $a$ .**

**Solution:**

- (a) Atomic weight of Zr : 91.22amu  
 Density of Zr : 6.51g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
 $\therefore$  Zirconium has an HCP crystal structure;  $\therefore n=6$

$$V_{Zr} = \frac{nA}{\rho N_A} = \frac{6 \times 91.22 \text{amu}}{6.51 \text{g/cm}^3 \times 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{atoms/mol}} = 1.4 \times 10^{-28} \text{m}^3$$

(b)  $V_{HCP} = 3 \times a \times \frac{\sqrt{3}a}{2} \times c$

$$\therefore \frac{c}{a} = 1.593 \therefore V_{HCP} = 3 \times a \times \frac{\sqrt{3}a}{2} \times 1.593a = 1.4 \times 10^{-28} \text{m}^3$$

$$\therefore a = 0.323 \text{nm}; c = 1.593a = 0.515 \text{nm}$$

- 7. Rhodium has an atomic radius of 0.1345 nm (1.345Å) and a density of 12.41 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. Determine whether it has an FCC or BCC crystal structure.**

**Solution:**

Atomic weight of Rh : 102.91amu  
 Density of Rh : 12.41g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
 atomic radius : 0.1345nm

(1) FCC:  $\rho = \frac{nA}{V_{Rh} N_A} = \frac{4 \times 102.91 \text{amu}}{\left(2\sqrt{2} \times 0.1345 \text{nm}\right)^3 \times 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{atoms/mol}} = 12.41 \text{g/cm}^3$

(2) BCC:  $\rho = \frac{nA}{V_{Rh} N_A} = \frac{2 \times 102.91 \text{amu}}{\left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \times 0.1345 \text{nm}\right)^3 \times 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{atoms/mol}} = 11.40 \text{g/cm}^3$

So it has FCC crystal structure.

8. Beryllium (Be) has an HCP unit cell for which the ratio of the lattice parameters  $c/a$  is 1.568. If the radius of the Be atom is 0.1143 nm, (a) determine the unit cell volume, and (b) calculate the theoretical density of Be and compare it with the literature value.

**Solution:**

$$(a) V_{HCP} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}a}{2} a^2 \times c = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \times 1.568 (2R)^3$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \times 1.568 \times (2 \times 0.1143 \text{ nm})^3 = 4.867 \times 10^{-23} \text{ cm}^3$$

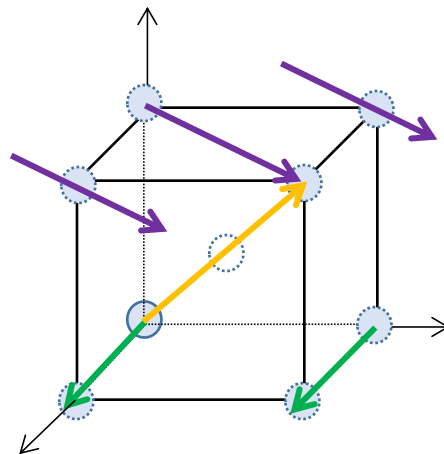
$$(b) \rho = \frac{nA}{V_{Be} N_A} = \frac{6 \times 9.012 \text{ g/mol}}{4.867 \times 10^{-23} \text{ cm}^3 \times 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms/mol}} = 1.845 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

the theoretical density of Be is 1.845 g/mol  
the literature value is 1.85 g/mol

9. Calculate and compare the linear densities for the  $\langle 100 \rangle$ ,  $\langle 110 \rangle$  and  $\langle 111 \rangle$  directions in a BCC unit cell. Which direction is the most close-packed (dense)?

**Solution:**

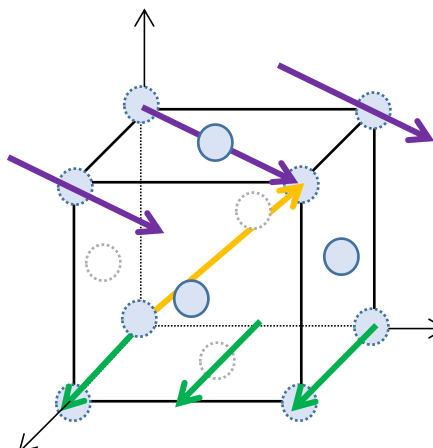
$$\begin{aligned} \text{---} \langle 1 \ 1 \ 0 \rangle LD_{110} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} R} = \frac{3}{4\sqrt{6}R} \\ \text{---} \langle 1 \ 0 \ 0 \rangle LD_{100} &= \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} R} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4R} \\ \text{---} \langle 1 \ 1 \ 1 \rangle LD_{111} &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}a} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3} \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} R} = \frac{1}{2R} \end{aligned}$$



$\therefore LD_{110} < LD_{100} < LD_{111} \therefore \langle 111 \rangle$  is the most close-packed (dense).

10. Calculate and compare the linear densities for the  $\langle 100 \rangle$ ,  $\langle 110 \rangle$  and  $\langle 111 \rangle$  directions in a FCC unit cell. Which direction is the most close-packed (dense)?

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Purple arrow } \rightarrow \langle 110 \rangle LD_{110} &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}a} = \frac{2}{4R} = \frac{1}{2R} \\
 \text{Green arrow } \rightarrow \langle 100 \rangle LD_{100} &= \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}R} \\
 \text{Yellow arrow } \rightarrow \langle 111 \rangle LD_{111} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}a} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}R}
 \end{aligned}$$


$\therefore LD_{111} < LD_{100} < LD_{110} \therefore \langle 110 \rangle$  is the most close-packed (dense).

10. Suppose that FCC rhodium is produced as a 1-mm thick sheet, with the (111) plane parallel to the surface of the sheet. How many (111) interplanar spacings  $d_{111}$  thick is the sheet? See Appendices in your textbook for necessary data.

**Solution:**

Lattice parameter: 0.38044 nm

$$\therefore d_{hkl} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2 + l^2}} \therefore d_{111} = \frac{0.38044 \text{ nm}}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.22 \text{ nm}$$

$$n = \frac{1 \text{ mm}}{d_{111}} = \frac{10^6 \text{ nm}}{0.22 \text{ nm}} = 4.55 \times 10^6$$

11. Determine the minimum radius of an atom that will just fit into (a) the tetrahedral interstitial site in FCC nickel; and (b) the octahedral interstitial site in BCC lithium.

**Solution:**

(a)  $\therefore$  Ni is tetrahedral in FCC  $\therefore$  Coordination number is 4

$\therefore r_c/r_a$  range: 0.225~0.414

Lattice parameter of Ni is 0.35236 nm

$$\therefore r_{Ni} = \frac{a}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{0.35236 \text{ nm}}{2\sqrt{2}} = 0.12360 \text{ nm}$$

$$\therefore \frac{r_{\min}}{r_{Ni}} = 0.225; r_{\min} = 0.225 \times 0.12360 \text{ nm} = 0.02781 \text{ nm}$$

(b)  $\therefore$  Li is octahedral in BCC  $\therefore$  Coordination number is 8

$$\therefore r_c/r_a \text{ range: } 0.414 \sim 0.732$$

Lattice parameter of Ni is 0.35089nm

$$\therefore r_{Li} = \frac{a}{4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{0.35089nm}{4\sqrt{3}} = 0.15194nm$$

$$\therefore \frac{r_{min}}{r_{Li}} = 0.225; r_{min} = 0.414 \times 0.15194nm = 0.06290nm$$

- 12. The atomic packing fraction for the FCC crystal structure is 0.74. This is the densest arrangement of atoms achievable in three dimensions when all atoms have the same radius  $R$ . If atoms in the hard sphere model occupy 74% of the volume of the unit cell, then the other 26% is empty space. Imagine that the empty spaces located at the center of each edge and at the body-centered position of the FCC unit cell are filled with smaller spheres of radius  $r$  such that  $r = 0.414R$ . The smaller atoms fit perfectly in between the atoms of radius  $R$ . (a) By counting in the usual way, how many atoms of radius  $r$  are there per FCC unit cell? (b) What are the coordinates of these atoms of radius  $r$ ? Do not double count atoms. Provide the same number of coordinates as the number of atoms of radius  $r$  per unit cell. (c) What is the atomic packing fraction for this structure?**

**Solution:**

(a) The number of atoms of radius  $r$  in per FCC unit cell:  $N = \frac{1}{4} \times 8 + 1 = 3$

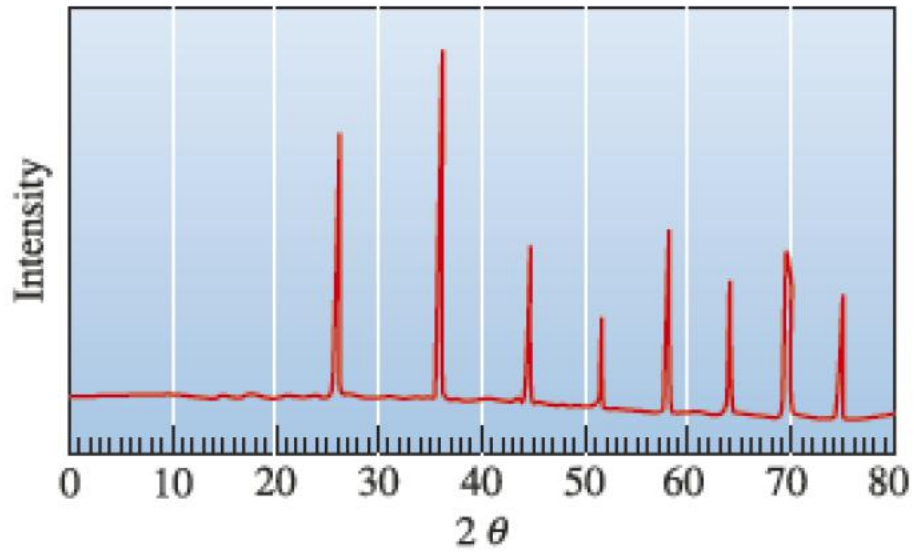
(b) the coordinates of these atoms of radius  $r$ :

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0\right); \left(0, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right); \left(1, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right); \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1, 0\right); \left(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 1\right); \left(0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right); \left(1, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right); \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1, 1\right); \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$(c) APF = \frac{nV_1}{V} = \frac{4 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 + 4 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3}{a^3} = \frac{4 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 + 4 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi (0.414R)^3}{(2\sqrt{2}R)^3} = 0.78$$

- 13. The Figure below shows the results of an x-ray diffraction experiment in the form of the intensity of the diffracted peak versus the  $2\theta$  diffraction angle. If x-rays with a wavelength of 0.07107 nm are used, determine (a) the crystal structure of the metal; (b) the indices of the planes that produce each of the peaks; and (c) the lattice parameter of the metal.**

**Solution: ???**



(a)  $\because n\lambda = 2d_{hkl} \sin \theta \therefore d_{hkl} = \frac{n\lambda}{2 \sin \theta} = \frac{0.07107 \text{ nm}}{2 \times \sin 13^\circ} = 0.1580 \text{ nm}$

(b)

(c)