## **Crystal Structure:**

• Lattice translation vector:

$$\vec{T} = n_1 \vec{a} + n_2 \vec{b} + n_3 \vec{c}$$

Where,  $n_1$ ,  $n_2$  and  $n_3$  are arbitrary constants and a, b, c are lattice parameters.

• Symmetry operations:

Four major types of symmetry operations-

- (i) Translation operation (Translational symmetry)
- (ii) Rotation operation (Rotational symmetry)
- 1- fold, 2- fold, 3-fold, 4-fold, 6-fold rotational symmetry operations are possible.
- 5- fold rotational symmetry operation is not possible.
- (iii) Inversion operation (Inversion symmetry)
- (iv) Reflection symmetry (Mirror symmetry)
- Bravais Lattices:
  - There are 4 two dimensional crystal systems and 5 Bravais lattices in 2 Dimension.
  - (a) Oblique lattice -----  $a \neq b, \gamma \neq 90^{\circ}$
  - (b) Square lattice -----  $a = b, \gamma = 90^{\circ}$
  - (c) Hexagonal lattice -----  $a = b, \gamma = 120^{\circ}$
  - (d) Rectangular lattice ------ (i) Rectangular Primitive ( $a \neq b, \gamma = 90^{\circ}$ )

(ii) Rectangular centred ( $a \neq b, \gamma = 90^{\circ}$ )

There are 7 three dimensional lattice systems and 14 Bravais lattices in 3 dimension.





- Rules for finding Miller Indices
  - $\checkmark$  Find the intercepts of the plane on the crystallographic axes
  - ✓ Take reciprocals of these intercepts
  - $\checkmark$  Simplify to remove fraction

Find the Miller Indices of a plane having intercepts 3a, 3b, 2c

- ▶ Intercepts: 3, 3, 2
- $\blacktriangleright \text{ Reciprocals: } \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}$
- Simplification: 2, 2, 3

The Miller Indices (223)

Interplaner spacing of a set of parallel planes with Miller Indices (hkl)

$$d = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

For a cubic crystal a = b = c

$$\therefore d = \frac{a}{(h^2 + k^2 + l^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Find the interplaner spacing between the (221) planes of a cubic lattice of length 450 pm.

Here, h = 2, k = 2, l = 1 and a = 450 pm = 450 × 10<sup>-12</sup>m  

$$\therefore d = \frac{450 \times 10^{-12}}{(2^2 + 2^2 + 1^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{450 \times 10^{-12}}{3} = 150 pm$$

Angle between two planes with Miller indices  $(h_1 k_1 l_1)$  and  $(h_2 k_2 l_2)$ 

$$\cos\theta = \frac{h_1 h_2 + k_1 k_2 + l_1 l_2}{\sqrt{(h_1^2 + k_1^2 + l_1^2)}\sqrt{(h_2^2 + k_2^2 + l_2^2)}}$$

- In a cubic unit cell, find the angle between the normal to the planes (111) and (121).
  - The normals to the planes (111) and (121) are directions [111] and [121]. Let θ be the angle between the normals.

$$cos\theta = \frac{h_1 h_2 + k_1 k_2 + l_1 l_2}{\sqrt{(h_1^2 + k_1^2 + l_1^2)}\sqrt{(h_2^2 + k_2^2 + l_2^2)}}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times 1 + 1 \times 2 + 1 \times 1}{\sqrt{(1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2)}\sqrt{(1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2)}} = 0.9428$$
$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(0.9428)$$

Relation between lattice constant and density

$$\rho = \frac{nM}{Na^3}$$

where, n = no. of atoms per unit cell

M= Atomic weight, N= Avogadro's number, a= lattice constant,  $\rho$ = density.

- The lattice constant of iron (in bcc) is 2.86 Å. What is the density of iron, taking the atomic weight of iron as 55.85 amu.
  - Given, a = 2.86Å  $= 2.86 \times 10^{-8}$ cm
    - For bcc, n= 2, M=55.86 amu = 55.86 g/mol, N=  $6.023 \times 10^{23}$

$$\therefore \rho = \frac{nM}{Na^3} = \frac{2 \times 55.85}{6.023 \times 10^{23} \times (2.86 \times 10^{-8})^3} = 7.93 \frac{g}{cc}$$

X- rays are used to determine the structure of solids and for the study of X-ray spectroscopy. X- rays have the same order of wavelength as the atomic diameter or interplaner spacing. Thus a crystal acts as a three dimensional grating for X-rays.

- Bragg's law:  $2dsin\theta = n\lambda$ , Where,  $d = interplaner spacing, \lambda = wavelength of X - rays, \theta = Angle of incidence$
- The spacing between successive planes in NaCl is 2.82Å. X- rays incident on the surface of the crystal is found to give rise to 1<sup>st</sup> order Bragg's reflection at glancing angle of 8.8<sup>0</sup>, calculate the wavelength of x-rays. (Given,  $\sin 8.8^{\circ}=0.152$ )
  - → Given, d = 2.82Å=  $2.82 \times 10^{-10}$ m, n= 1, θ =  $8.8^{\circ}$ , sin $8.8^{\circ}$  = 0.152 $\therefore 2dsin\theta = n\lambda$  $=> 2 \times 2.82 \times 10^{-10} \times 0.152 = 1 \times \lambda$  $\lambda = 8.5 \times 10^{-9} m$
- Reciprocal lattice vector,  $G = ha^* + kb^* + lc^*$ 
  - Where,  $a^* = 2\pi \frac{b \times c}{a(b \times c)}, b^* = 2\pi \frac{c \times a}{a(b \times c)}, c^* = 2\pi \frac{a \times b}{a(b \times c)},$
- Bragg's law in reciprocal lattice,  $2\vec{k} \cdot \vec{G} + G^2 = 0$
- Reciprocal lattice:

For simple cubic,  $a^* = \frac{2\pi}{a}\hat{i}$ ,  $b^* = \frac{2\pi}{a}\hat{j}$ ,  $c^* = \frac{2\pi}{a}\hat{k}$ 

For bcc,  $a^* = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{i} + \hat{j}), b^* = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{j} + \hat{k}), c^* = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{k} + \hat{i})$ For fcc,  $a^* = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{\imath} + \hat{\jmath} - \hat{k}), b^* = \frac{2\pi}{a} (-\hat{\imath} + \hat{\jmath} + \hat{k}), c^* = \frac{2\pi}{a} (\hat{\imath} - \hat{\jmath} + \hat{k})$ 

- Simple cubic lattice is self reciprocal whereas, bcc and fcc lattices are reciprocal to each other.
- Atomic scattering factor,  $f = \frac{amplitude \ of \ radiation \ scattered \ from \ an \ atom}{amplitude \ of \ radiation \ scattered \ from \ an \ electron}$

 Geometrical structure factor,  $F = \frac{\text{amplitude of radiation scattered by the entire unit cell}}{\text{amplitude of radiation scattered by a point electron at the origin}}$ 

Brillouine zone: It is the locus of all those k-values in the reciprocal lattice which are Bragg reflected.