# **Structure and Symmetry**

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# Crystallography – The Common Language of Materials Science



Figure 5.63 High-resolution transmission electron micrograph showing high-angle grain boundary in alumina,  $Al_2O_3$ . This particular boundary is a tilt boundary, with 35.2° misorientation about common  $[2\ \overline{1}\ \overline{1}\ 0]$  direction (Kleebe, 1993, p. 365).

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Figure 5.64 High-resolution transmission electron micrograph of grain edge in sintered, reaction-bonded silicon nitride,  $Si_3N_4$ . Grain edge is wetted by amorphous phase (Kleebe, 1993, p. 365).

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# **Crystalline vs. Amorphous**

## The difference is long-range order, and *symmetry*





(b) Amorphous InP

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http://physics.anu.edu.au/eme/research/amorphous.php

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# **Symmetry Evident in Materials**



# Etch pits in single crystal aluminum

Source: J. H. Seob, J.-H. Ryuc, D. N. Lee. "Formation of Crystallographic Etch Pits during AC Etching of Aluminum." *J. Electrochem Soc.*, 150(9):B433-B438 (2003).

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# **Simplest Operation: Translation**



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# **Higher Symmetry**

Place restrictions on  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ , and the angle between them.

## How many combinations can you think of?

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Draw a cell that does the following:

- Contains fewest number of atoms
- Has angles closest to 90 degrees
- Exhibits the most symmetry

## Try with different plane groups in class

# **Choosing Unit Cells Example**



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## **Miller Indices**



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# **Square Lattice Symmetry**



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# Moving to 3D

Four new symmetry operators

- Inversion
- Rotoinversion (rotation & inversion)
- Rotoreflection (rotation & reflection)
- Screw axes (rotation & translation)

## Inversion



Figure 3.33 An inversion center is created between right and left hands when they are positioned as illustrated.





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## **Screw Axes**

Proper rotation axes

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## Rotation followed by translation

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	n	Components	Proper Rotation Axes	The Eleven Permissible Crystallographic Screw Axe	
Screw axes	1	α	0 (or 2π)		
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	2	α	π	π	
ď		au	0	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{T}_{\mu}$	
		Designation	2	2,	
2	3	a	$\frac{2}{\pi}\pi$	$\frac{2}{3}\pi$ $\frac{2}{3}\pi$	
-1	0	7	0	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{T}_{ij} = \frac{2}{2}\mathbf{T}_{ij}$	
		Designation	3	$3_1 3_2$	
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	0	α	37	1m 2m 3m 4m 5m	
		T	6		
3 <sub>1</sub> 3 <sub>2</sub>		Designation	0	$0_1 0_2 0_3 0_4 0_5$	
	Source	Buerger, 1978, p. 204.			

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## **Screw Axes**

## Rotation followed by translation



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## **Generalized Rotation Matrix**

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta + u_x^2 \left(1 - \cos\theta\right) & u_x u_y \left(1 - \cos\theta\right) - u_z \sin\theta & u_x u_z \left(1 - \cos\theta\right) + u_y \sin\theta \\ u_y u_x \left(1 - \cos\theta\right) + u_z \sin\theta & \cos\theta + u_y^2 \left(1 - \cos\theta\right) & u_y u_z \left(1 - \cos\theta\right) - u_x \sin\theta \\ u_z u_x \left(1 - \cos\theta\right) - u_y \sin\theta & u_z u_y \left(1 - \cos\theta\right) + u_x \sin\theta & \cos\theta + u_z^2 \left(1 - \cos\theta\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

Or more concisely:

 $R = \cos\theta \mathbf{I} + \sin\theta [\mathbf{u}]_{\times} + (1 - \cos\theta)\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u},$ Where  $(u_x, u_y, u_z)$  is a unit vector

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## Miller Indices in 3D

Directions – [hkl] Families of directions – <hkl> Planes – (hkl) Families of planes – {hkl}

## **Explore Some Examples**

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## Miller Indices – Lattice Parameter



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# **Miller Indices – Directions**



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# Miller Indices – Direction Examples

Draw the following directions:



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# Miller Indices – Planes

## Example:

- (234)
  - Take reciprocals of indices (<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, 1/3, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>)
  - Multiply so largest index is one (1, 2/3, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>)
  - These are the plane intercepts on lattice axes



# Miller Indices – Directions and Planes



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## Miller Indices – Plane Examples

## Draw the following planes:



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# **Families of Directions & Planes**



Figure 5.4 Equivalence of the {110} planes in a cubic crystal; in (d) the lattice is tetragonally distorted, and the (110) and (101) planes are no longer equivalent.

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# Miller Indices – Directions and Planes

In a cubic lattice directions are normal to planes. Example:

- (234)

- [234]



## Miller Indices – Angle Between Planes in a Cubic Lattice



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# Miller Indices – Angle Between Planes in a Non-Cubic Lattice



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# Miller Indices – Directions Common to Planes



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## **Bravais Lattices**



1) Characterize these systems in terms of a, b, c, and angles

2) Why is body-centered monoclinic equivalent to basecentered monoclinic?

Figure 3.66 The fourteen Bravais lattices and the six crystal systems.

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## **Packing Fraction**

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# **Space Groups**

Unique combinations of symmetry, denoted by certain symbols

Find them in:

The Int'l Tables for Crystallography

http://it.iucr.org/

Or for free at the University College of London: http://img.chem.ucl.ac.uk/sgp/large/sgp.htm

# Example: Triclinic (P1)

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## **Example Space Groups**

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178. <u><i>P</i> 6<sub>1</sub> 2 2</u>	179. <u><i>P</i> 6<sub>5</sub> 2 2</u>	180. <u><i>P</i> 6<sub>2</sub> 2 2</u>	181. <u><i>P</i> 6<sub>4</sub> 2 2</u>	182. <u><i>P</i> 6<sub>3</sub> 2 2</u>	
183. <u>P 6 m m</u>	184. <u><i>P</i> 6 <i>c c</i></u>	185. <u>P 63 c m</u>	186. <u>P 63 m c</u>	187. <u>P -6 m 2</u>	
188. <u><i>P</i> -6 c 2</u>	189. <u>P -6 2 m</u>	190. <u><i>P</i> -6 2 c</u>	191. <u>P 6 / m m m</u>	192. <u>P 6 / m c c</u>	
193. <u>P 6<sub>3</sub> / m c m</u>	194. <u>P 6<sub>3</sub> / m m c</u>	]			
Cubic					
195. <u>P 2 3</u>	196. <u>F 2 3</u>	197. <u>I 2 3</u>	198. <u><i>P</i> 2<sub>1</sub> 3</u>	199. <u><i>I</i> 2<sub>1</sub> 3</u>	
200. <u>P m -3</u>	201. <u>P n -3</u>	202. <u>F m -3</u>	203. <u>F d -3</u>	204. <u>I m -3</u>	
205. <u>P a -3</u>	206. <u>I a -3</u>	207. <u><i>P</i> 4 3 2</u>	208. <u><i>P</i> 4<sub>2</sub> 3 2</u>	209. <u><i>F</i> 4 3 2</u>	
210. <u><i>F</i> 4<sub>1</sub> 3 2</u>	211. <u><i>I</i> 4 3 2</u>	212. <u><i>P</i> 4<sub>3</sub> 3 2</u>	213. <u><i>P</i> 4<sub>1</sub> 3 2</u>	214. <u><i>I</i> 4<sub>1</sub> 3 2</u>	
215. <u>P -4 3 m</u>	216. <u>F -4 3 m</u> © Birkbeck College, content is excluded	217. <u><i>I</i>-43</u> m University of London. All from our Creative Comm	218. <u>P-4 3 n</u> rights reserved. This ons license. For more	219. <u>F -4 3 c</u>	

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## **Example Space Groups**

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188. <u>P -6 c 2</u>	189. <u>P -6 2 m</u>	190. <u>P -6 2 c</u>	191. <u>P 6 / m m m</u>	192. <u>P 6 / m c c</u>
193. <u>P 6<sub>3</sub> / m c m</u>	194. <u>P 63 / m m c</u>			
		Cubic		
195. <u>P 2 3</u>	196. <u>F 2 3</u>	197. <u>7 2 3</u>	198. <u>P 2<sub>1</sub> 3</u>	199. <u><i>I</i> 2<sub>1</sub> 3</u>
200. <u>P m -3</u>	201. <u>P n -3</u>	202. <u>F m -3</u>	203. <u>F d -3</u>	204. <u>I m -3</u>
205. <u>P a -3</u>	206. <u>I a -3</u>	207. <u><i>P</i> 4 3 2</u>	208. <u><i>P</i> 4<sub>2</sub> 3 2</u>	209. <u>F 4 3 2</u>
210. <u><i>F</i> 4<sub>1</sub> 3 2</u>	211. <u><i>I</i> 4 3 2</u>	212. <u><i>P</i> 4<sub>3</sub> 3 2</u>	213. <u><i>P</i> 4<sub>1</sub> 3 2</u>	214. <u><i>I</i> 4<sub>1</sub> 3 2</u>
215. <u>P -4 3 m</u>	216. <u>F -4 3 m</u>	217. <u>I -4 3 m</u>	218. <u><i>P</i> -4 3 n</u>	219. <u>F -4 3 c</u>
220. <u>I -4 3 d</u>	221. <u>P m -3 m</u>	222. <u>P n -3 n</u>	223. <u>P m -3 n</u>	224. <u>P n -3 m</u>
225. <u>F m -3 m</u>	226. <u>F m -3 c</u>	227. <u>F d -3 m</u>	228. <u>F d -3 c</u>	229. <u>I m -3 m</u>
230. <u>I a -3 d</u>	© Birkbeck Colleg content is exclude	e, University of London. d from our Creative Com	All rights reserved. This mons license. For more	

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