

CRYSTAL SYSTEMS

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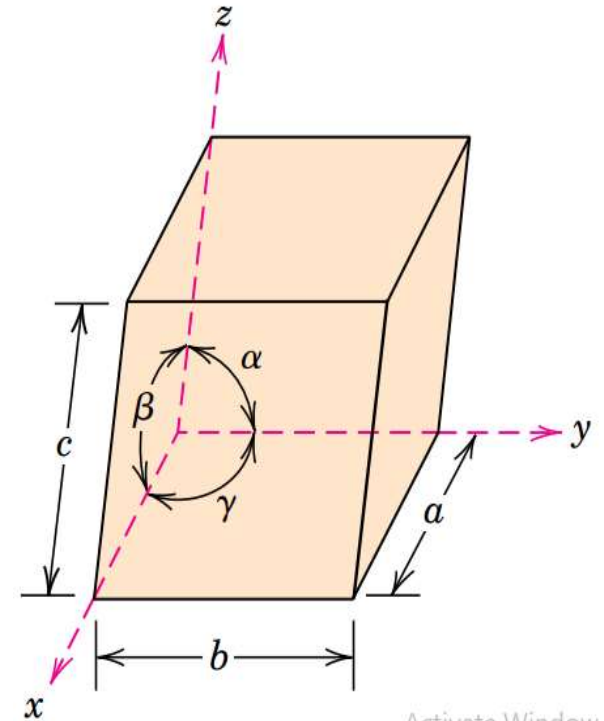
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- Because there are many different possible crystal structures, it is sometimes convenient to divide them into groups according to unit cell configurations and/or atomic arrangements.
- The scheme which is based on the unit cell geometry, that is, the shape of the appropriate unit cell parallelepiped without regard to the atomic positions in the cell.

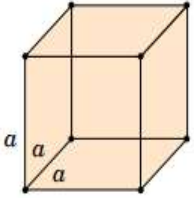
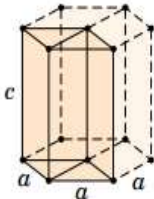
- In the unit cell each of the x , y , and z axes coincides with one of the three parallelepiped edges that extend from this corner.
- The unit cell geometry is completely defined in terms of six parameters: the three edge lengths a , b , and c , and the three interaxial angles α , β , and γ . and are sometimes termed the **lattice parameters** of a crystal structure.
- On this basis there are seven different possible combinations of a , b , and c and α , β , and γ , each of which represents a distinct **crystal system**.

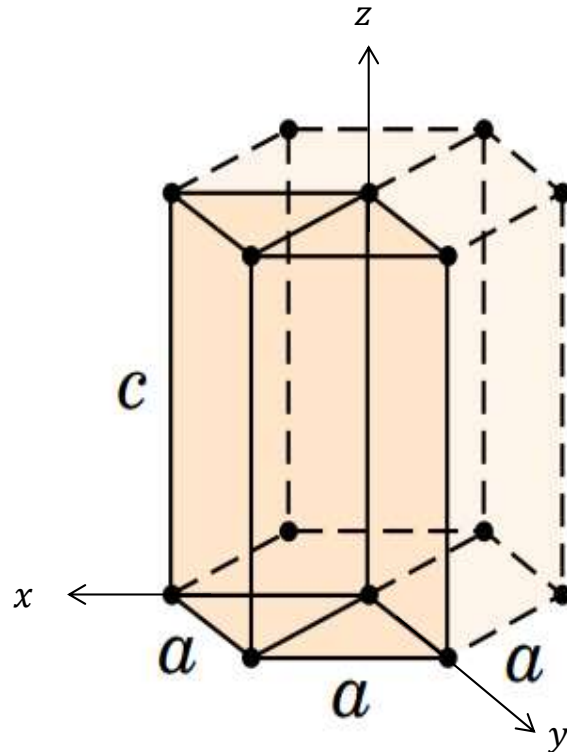


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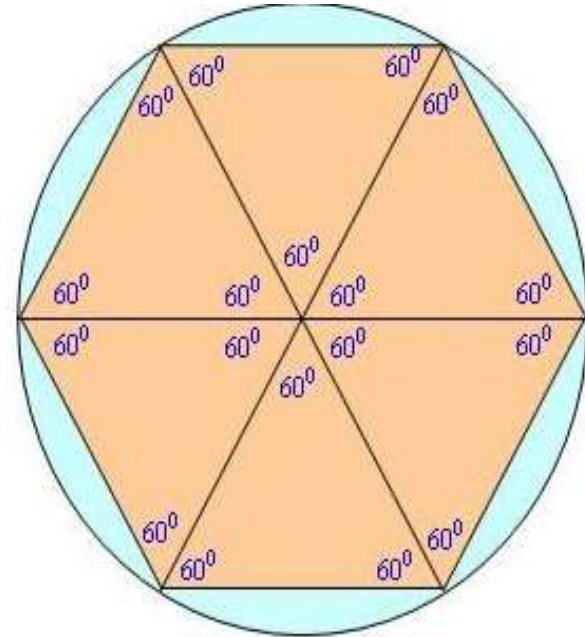
- The seven crystal systems are cubic, tetragonal, hexagonal, orthorhombic, rhombohedral, monoclinic, and triclinic.

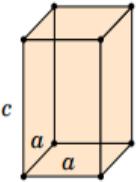
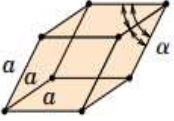
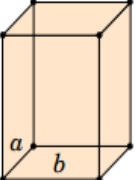
Table below show Lattice Parameter Relationships and Figures Showing Unit Cell Geometries for the Seven Crystal Systems

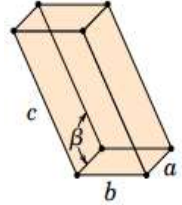
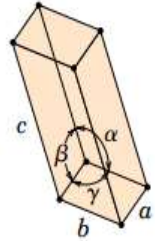
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Cubic	$a = b = c$	$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$	
Hexagonal	$a = b \neq c$	$\alpha = \beta = 90^\circ$ $\gamma = 120^\circ$	



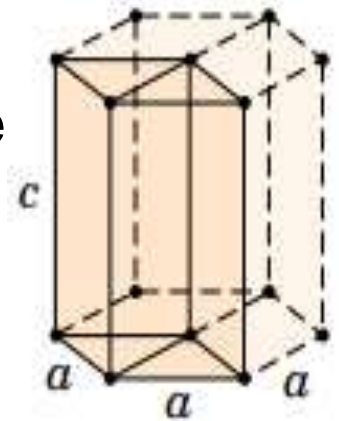
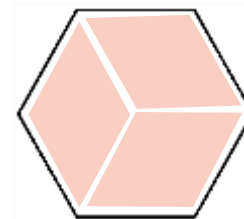
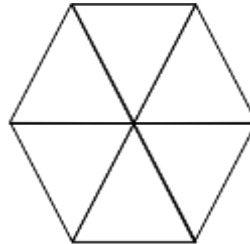
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$$\gamma = 120^\circ$$



<i>Crystal System</i>	<i>Axial Relationships</i>	<i>Interaxial Angles</i>	<i>Unit Cell Geometry</i>
Tetragonal	$a = b \neq c$	$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$	
Rhombohedral (Trigonal)	$a = b = c$	$\alpha = \beta = \gamma \neq 90^\circ$	
Orthorhombic	$a \neq b \neq c$	$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$	

<i>Crystal System</i>	<i>Axial Relationships</i>	<i>Interaxial Angles</i>	<i>Unit Cell Geometry</i>
Monoclinic	$a \neq b \neq c$	$\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ \neq \beta$	
Triclinic	$a \neq b \neq c$	$\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma \neq 90^\circ$	

- The cubic system, for which $a = b = c$ and $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$, has the greatest degree of symmetry. The least symmetry is displayed by the triclinic system, because $a \neq b \neq c$ and $\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma$.
- Both FCC and BCC structures belong to the cubic crystal system.
- HCP falls within the hexagonal system.
- The conventional hexagonal unit cell consists of three parallelepipeds situated as shown in figure below

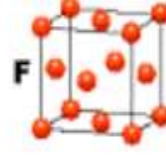
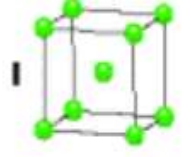
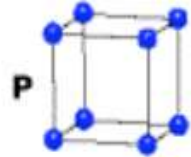


- many of the principles and concepts addressed in previous discussions also apply to crystalline ceramic and polymeric systems.
- The crystal structures are most often described in terms of unit cells, which are normally more complex than those for FCC, BCC, and HCP.
- For ceramic and polymeric systems, are often interested in determining atomic packing factors (APF) and densities (ρ), using modified forms of Equations 3.3 and 3.8.

CUBIC

$$a = b = c$$

$$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$$

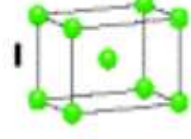
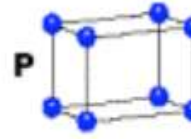


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TETRAGONAL

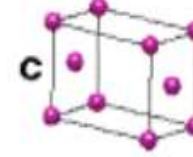
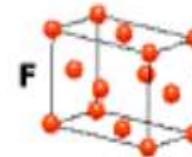
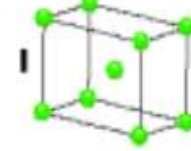
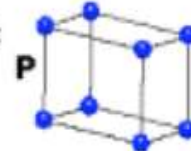
$$a = b \neq c$$

$$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$$

**ORTHORHOMBIC**

$$a \neq b \neq c$$

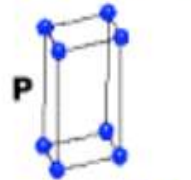
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**HEXAGONAL**

$$a = b \neq c$$

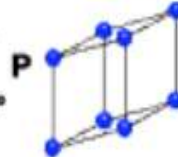
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$$\gamma = 120^\circ$$

**TRIGONAL**

$$a = b = c$$

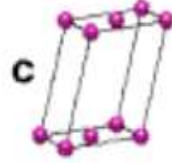
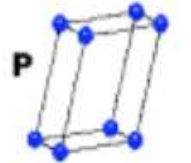
$$\alpha = \beta = \gamma \neq 90^\circ$$

**MONOCLINIC**

$$a \neq b \neq c$$

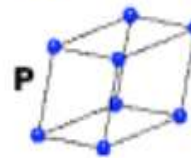
$$\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ$$

$$\beta \neq 120^\circ$$

**TRICLINIC**

$$a \neq b \neq c$$

$$\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma \neq 90^\circ$$

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P = primitive
I = body centered
F = face centered
C = side centered

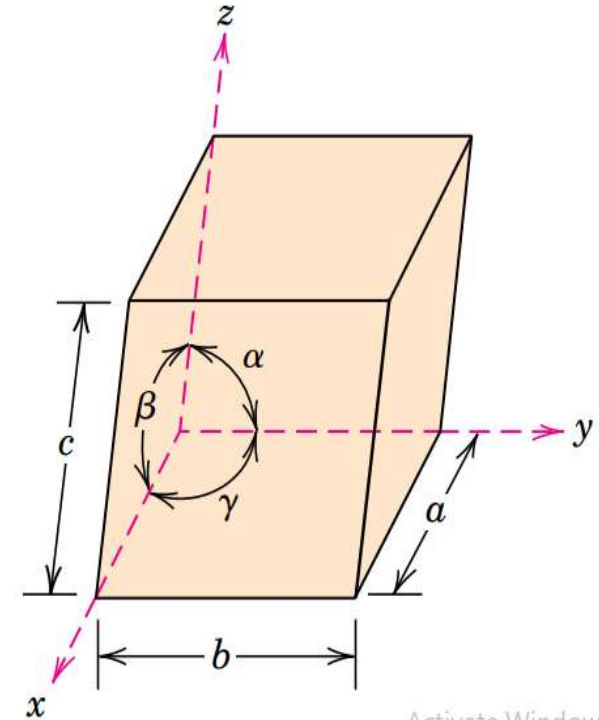
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Crystallographic Points, Directions, and Planes

- When dealing with crystalline materials, it often becomes necessary to specify a particular point within a unit cell, a crystallographic direction, or some crystallographic plane of atoms.
- Labeling conventions have been established in which three numbers or indices are used to designate point locations, directions, and planes.

- The basis for determining index values is the unit cell, with a right-handed coordinate system consisting of three (x , y , and z) axes situated at one of the corners and coinciding with the unit cell edges
- For some crystal systems—namely, hexagonal, rhombohedral, monoclinic, and triclinic—the three axes are not mutually perpendicular, as in the familiar Cartesian coordinate scheme.



POINT COORDINATES

- It is possible to specify a lattice position within a unit cell using three point coordinate indices: q , r , and s .
- These indices are fractional multiples of a , b , and c unit cell edge lengths—that is, q is some fractional length of a along the x axis, r is some fractional length of b along the y axis, and similarly for s ; or

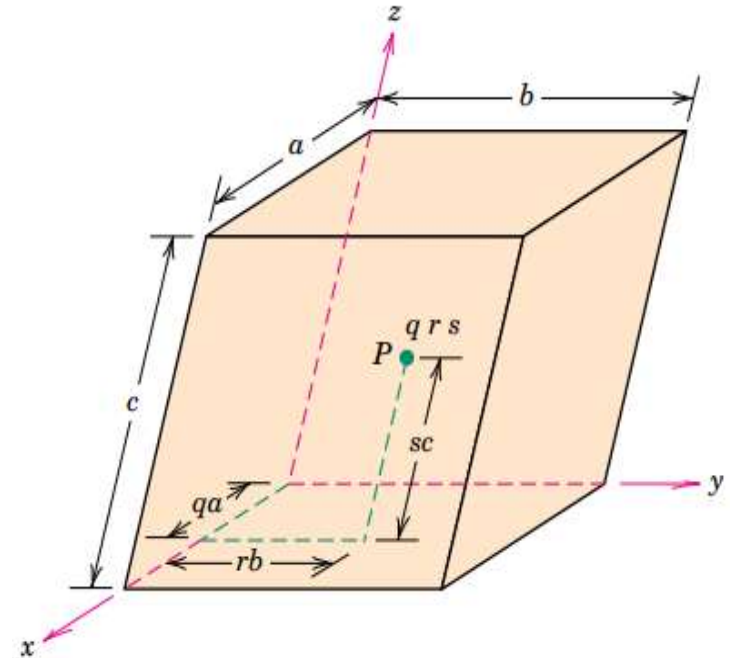
qa = lattice position referenced to the x axis (3.9a)

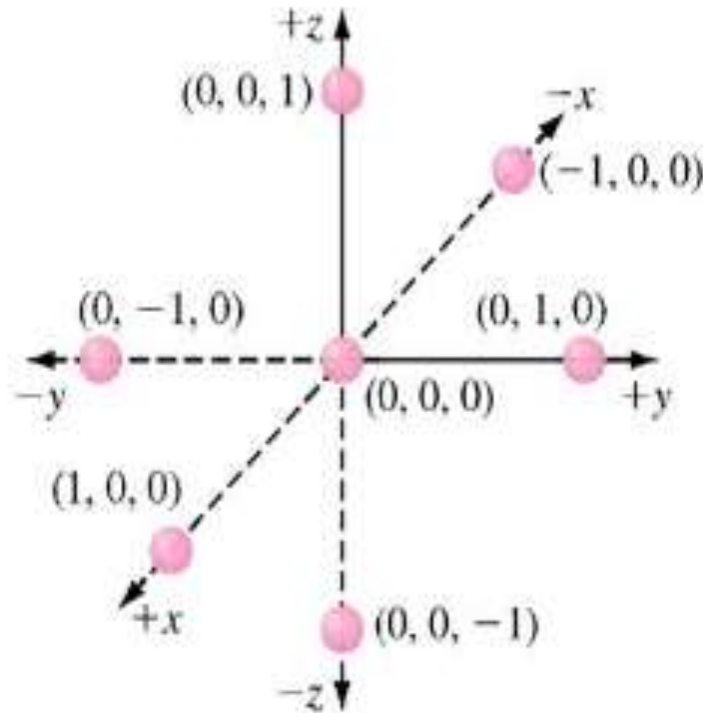
rb = lattice position referenced to the y axis (3.9b)

sc = lattice position referenced to the z axis (3.9c)

To illustrate a lattice position within a unit cell:

- consider the unit cell in Figure below the $x - y - z$ coordinate system with its origin located at a unit cell corner
- the lattice site located at point P .
- The location of P is related to the products of its q , r , and s coordinate indices and the unit cell edge lengths





EXAMPLE

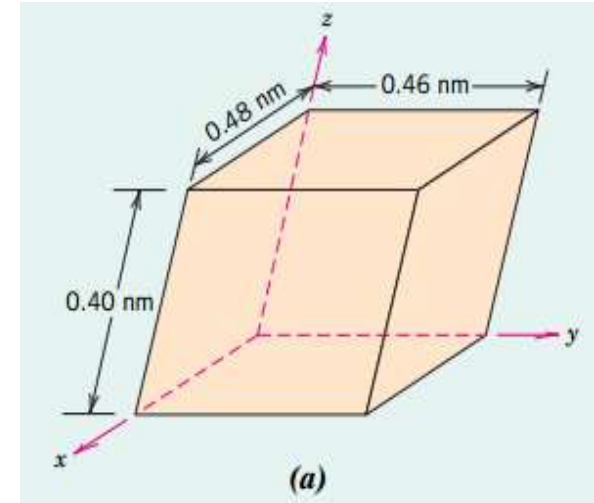
Location of Point Having Specified Coordinates

- For the unit cell shown in the accompanying sketch (a), locate the point having coordinates $\frac{1}{4} 1 \frac{1}{2}$

Solution

From sketch (a), edge lengths for this unit cell are as follows: $a = 0.48 \text{ nm}$, $b = 0.46 \text{ nm}$, and $c = 0.40 \text{ nm}$.

We use Equations 3.9a through 3.9c



qa = lattice position referenced to the x axis (3.9a)

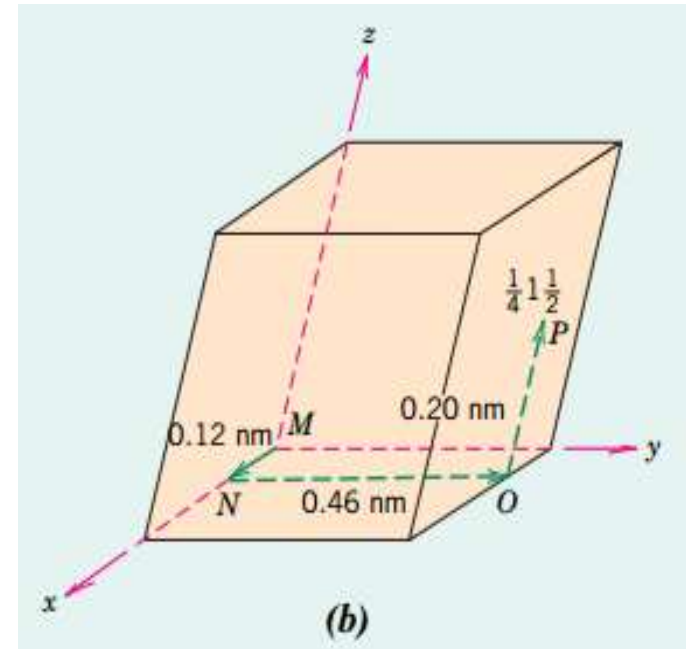
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sc = lattice position referenced to the z axis (3.9c)

$$qa = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)a = \frac{1}{4}(0.48 \text{ nm}) = 0.12 \text{ nm}$$

$$rb = (1)b = (1)(0.46 \text{ nm}) = 0.46 \text{ nm}$$

$$sc = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)c = \frac{1}{2}(0.40 \text{ nm}) = 0.20 \text{ nm}$$



EXAMPLE**Specification of Point Coordinate Indices**

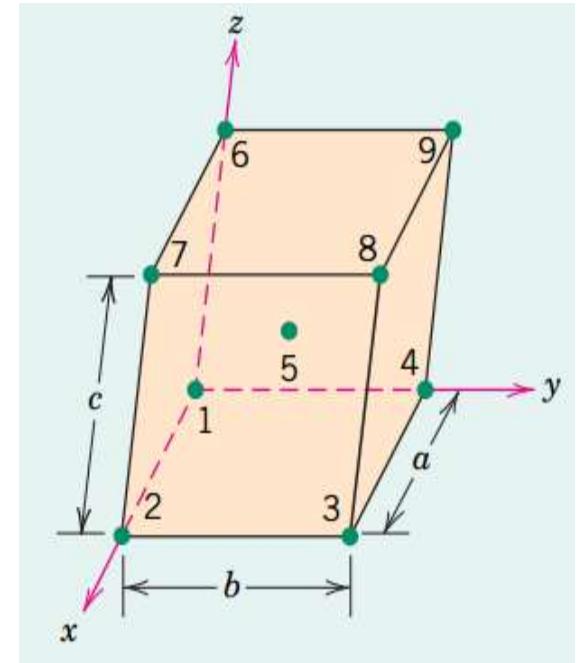
Specify coordinate indices for all numbered points of the unit cell in the Figure below.

Solution

qa = lattice position referenced to the x axis (3.9a)

rb = lattice position referenced to the y axis (3.9b)

sc = lattice position referenced to the z axis (3.9c)



- Point 1 is located at the origin of the coordinate system

lattice position referenced to the x axis = $0a = qa$

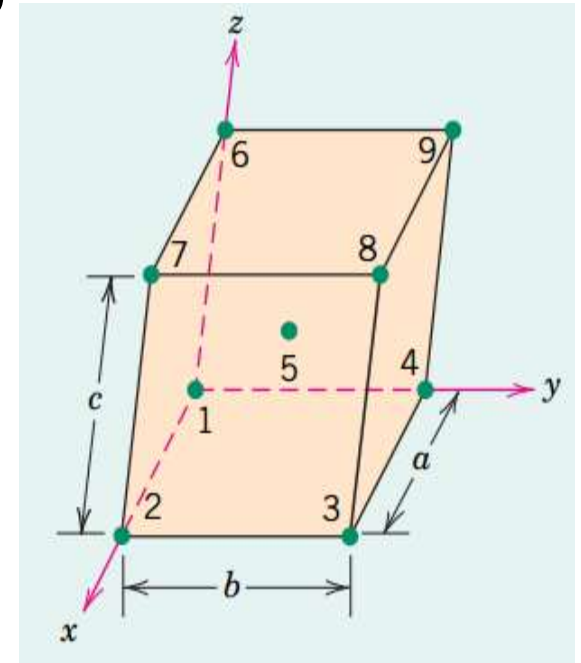
lattice position referenced to the y axis = $0b = rb$

lattice position referenced to the z axis = $0c = sc$

Solving the above three expressions for values of the q , r , and s indices leads to

$$q = \frac{0a}{a} = 0 \quad ; \quad r = \frac{0b}{b} = 0 \quad ; \quad s = \frac{0c}{c} = 0$$

Therefore this is the 0 0 0 point



CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC DIRECTIONS

A ***crystallographic direction*** is defined as a line directed between two points, or a *vector*.

The following steps are used to determine the three directional indices:

1. A right-handed $x - y - z$ coordinate system is first constructed. As a matter of convenience, its origin may be located at a unit cell corner.
2. The coordinates of two points that lie on the direction vector (referenced to the coordinate system) are determined - for example, for the vector tail, point 1: x_1, y_1 and z_1 ; whereas for the vector head, point 2: x_2, y_2 and z_2 .
3. Tail point coordinates are subtracted from head point components—that is, $x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1$ and $z_2 - z_1$

4. These coordinate differences are then normalized in terms of (i.e., divided by) their respective a , b , and c lattice parameters—that is,

$$\frac{x_2 - x_1}{a} \quad \frac{y_2 - y_1}{b} \quad \frac{z_2 - z_1}{c}$$

which yields a set of three numbers.

5. If necessary, these three numbers are multiplied or divided by a common factor to reduce them to the smallest integer values.

6. The three resulting indices, not separated by commas, are enclosed in square brackets, thus: $[uvw]$. The u , v , and w integers correspond to the normalized coordinate differences referenced to the x , y , and z axes, respectively.

In summary, the u , v , and w indices may be determined using the following equations:

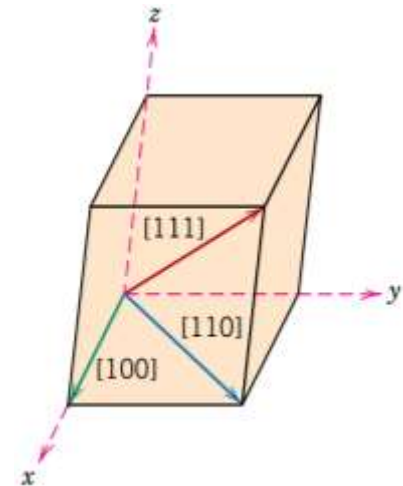
$$u = n \left(\frac{x_2 - x_1}{a} \right) \quad \dots \dots \dots (3.10a)$$

$$v = n \left(\frac{y_2 - y_1}{b} \right) \quad \dots \dots \dots (3.10b)$$

$$w = n \left(\frac{z_2 - z_1}{c} \right) \quad \dots \dots \dots (3.10c)$$

In these expressions, n is the factor that may be required to reduce u , v , and w to integers.

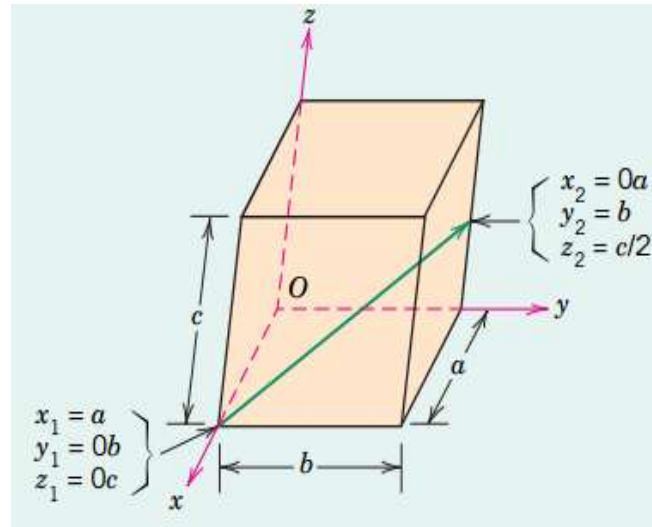
- For each of the three axes, there are both positive and negative coordinates. which are represented by a bar over the appropriate index. For example, the $[1\bar{1}1]$ direction has a component in the $-y$ direction.
- Also, changing the signs of all indices produces an antiparallel direction; that is, $[\bar{1}\bar{1}\bar{1}]$ is directly opposite to $[111]$.
- The $[100]$, $[110]$, and $[111]$ directions are common ones; they are drawn in the unit cell shown in Figure.



EXAMPLE

Determination of Directional Indices

Determine the indices for the direction shown in the accompanying figure.



Solution

the tail coordinates,

$$x_1 = a \quad y_1 = 0b \quad z_1 = 0c$$

For the head coordinates,

$$x_2 = 0a \quad y_2 = b \quad z_2 = c/2$$

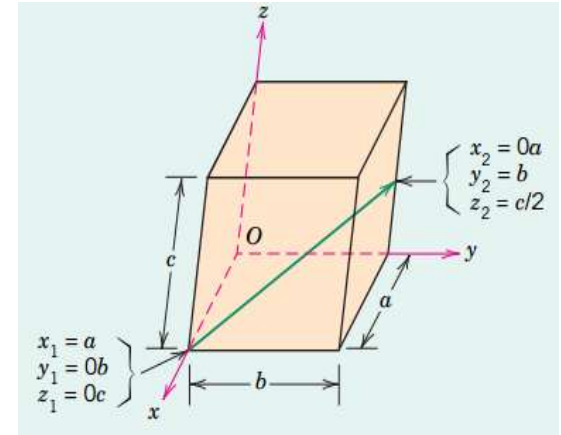
Now taking point coordinate differences,

$$x_2 - x_1 = 0a - a = -a \quad (\text{integers})$$

$$y_2 - y_1 = b - 0b = b \quad (\text{integers})$$

$$z_2 - z_1 = \frac{c}{2} - 0c = \frac{c}{2} \quad (\text{fraction})$$

to compute values of u , v , and w we use Equations 3.10a through 3.10c



in order to have integer values for the three indices, it is necessary to assign n a value of 2. Thus,

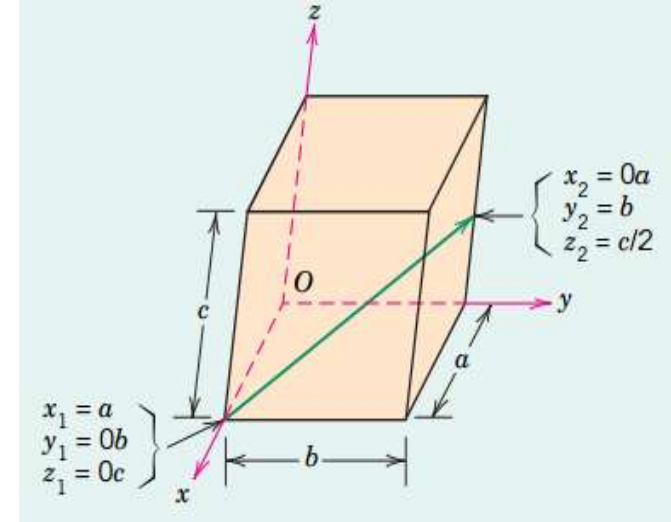
$$u = n \left(\frac{x_2 - x_1}{a} \right) = 2 \left(\frac{-a}{a} \right) = -2$$

$$v = n \left(\frac{y_2 - y_1}{b} \right) = 2 \left(\frac{b}{b} \right) = 2$$

$$w = n \left(\frac{z_2 - z_1}{c} \right) = 2 \left(\frac{\frac{c}{2}}{c} \right) = 1$$

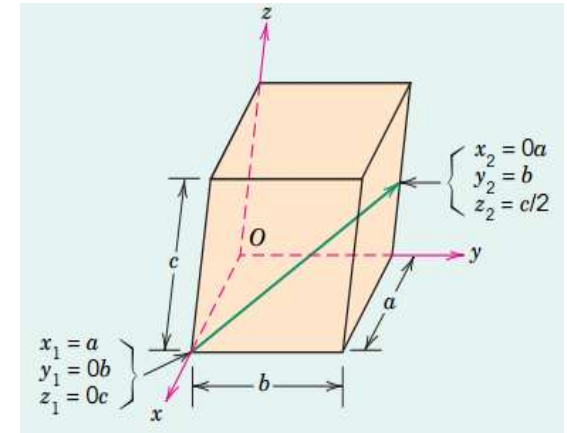
finally enclosure of the -2, 2, and 1 indices in brackets of form $[uvw]$ leads to $[2\bar{2}1]$ as the direction designation.

If these u , v , and w values are not integers, it is necessary to choose another value for n .



This procedure is summarized as follows:

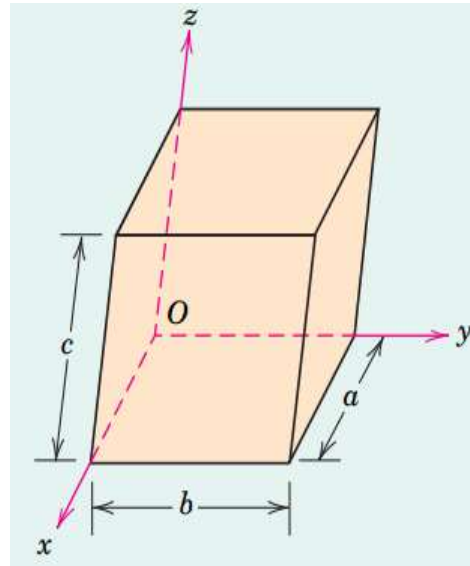
	x	y	z
Head coordinates ($x_2, y_2, z_2,$)	$0a$	b	$c/2$
Tail coordinates ($x_1, y_1, z_1,$)	a	$0b$	$0c$
Coordinate differences	$-a$	b	$c/2$
Calculated values of $u, v,$ and w	$u = -2$	$v = 2$	$w = 1$
Enclosure	$[\bar{2}21]$		



EXAMPLE

Construction of a Specified Crystallographic Direction

Within the following unit cell draw a $[1\bar{1}0]$ direction with its tail located at the origin of the coordinate system, point O .



Solution

This problem is solved by reversing the procedure of the preceding example.

For this $[1\bar{1}0]$ direction,

$$u = 1$$

$$v = -1$$

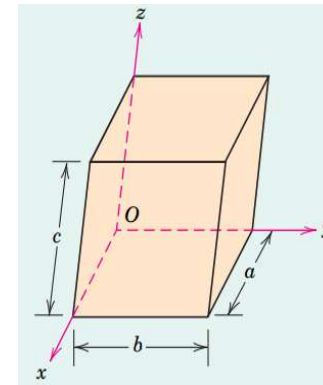
$$w = 0$$

Because the tail of the direction vector is positioned at the origin, its coordinates are as follows:

$$x_1 = 0a$$

$$y_1 = 0b$$

$$z_1 = 0c$$



We now want to solve for the coordinates of the vector head—that is, x_2, y_2 and z_2 .

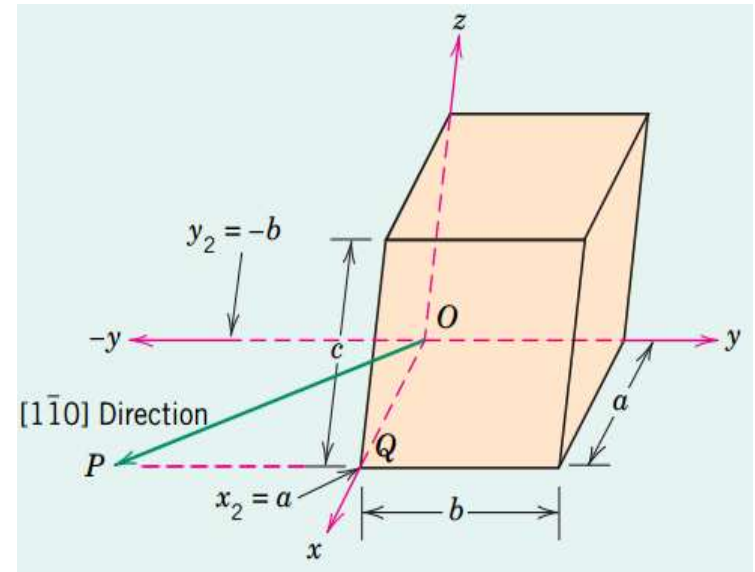
By using rearranged forms of Equations 3.10a through 3.10c

$$x_2 = ua + x_1 = (1)(a) + 0a = a$$

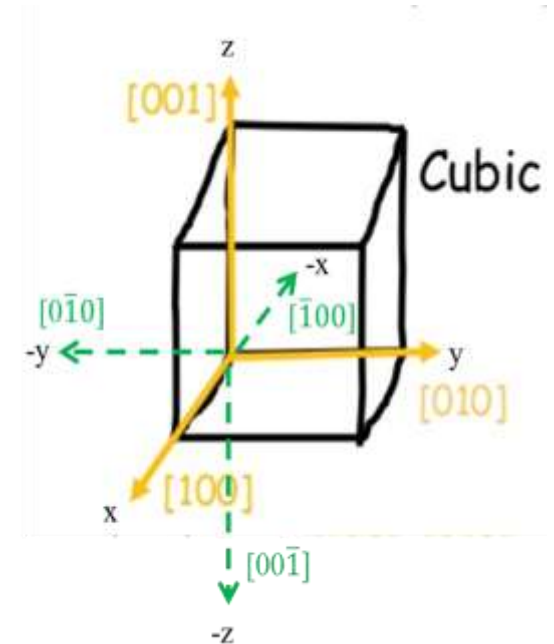
$$y_2 = vb + y_1 = (-1)(b) + 0b = -b$$

$$z_2 = wc + z_1 = (0)(c) + 0c = 0c$$

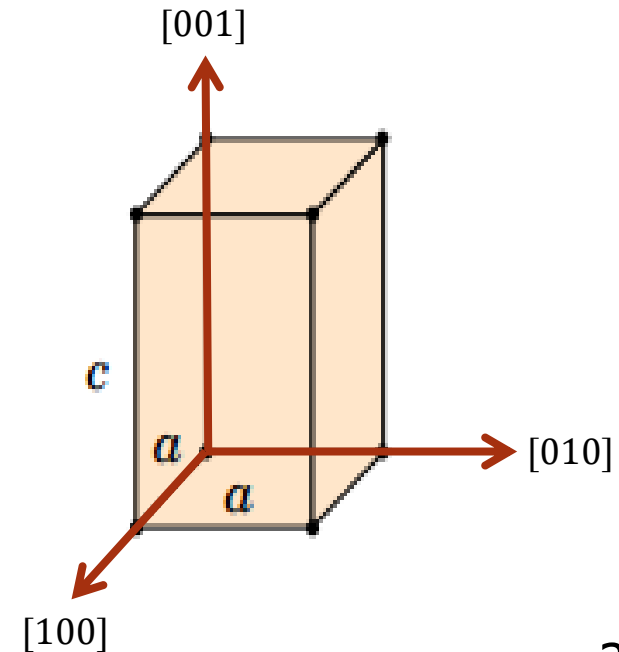
the vector corresponding to this $[1\bar{1}0]$ direction is constructed by drawing a line from point O to point P



- For some crystal structures, several nonparallel directions with different indices are *crystallographically equivalent*, meaning that the spacing of atoms along each direction is the same.
- For example, in cubic crystals, all the directions represented by the following indices are equivalent: $[100]$, $[\bar{1}00]$, $[010]$, $[0\bar{1}0]$, $[001]$, and $[00\bar{1}]$.
- Equivalent directions are grouped together into a family, which is enclosed in angle brackets, thus: $\langle 100 \rangle$.



- directions in cubic crystals having the same indices without regard to order or sign—for example, $[123]$ and $[\bar{2}1\bar{3}]$ —are equivalent.
- This is, in general, not true for other crystal systems. For example, for crystals of tetragonal symmetry, the $[100]$ and $[010]$ directions are equivalent, whereas the $[100]$ and $[001]$ are not.



Thank you for your attention

