## Crystalline solids

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# TYPES OF SOLIDS. BASED ON STRUCTURE 

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# Highly regular arrangement of atoms, ions, molecules - periodic (repeating) 

## Example:NaCl, KCl

## Amorphous solids

No repeating pattern, only short range order, extensively disordered - non crystalline

Example:glasses

## Types of crystalline solids

Metallic
Ionic
Extended covalent (or network) Molecular

## Crystallinity

## a repeating unit = unit cell



## Lattice

is an infinite 1,2, or 3-Dimensional regular arrangement of points, each of which has identical surroundings.

- Any lattice can be described by placing lattice points at equivalent positions within each unit of the pattern.
- To recover original pattern we add the motif to each lattice point.

1-D pattern -------- Line
2-D patterns -------- Planar lattices
3-D pattern -------- space lattices

## The Seven Crystal Systems



## Bravais Lattices



Simple cubic


Simple tetragonal


Face-centered cubic


Body-centered tetragonal


Body-centered
cubic



Body-centered orthorhombic


Simple Monoclinic


Base-centered orthorhombic
 monoclinic


Face-centered orthorhombic


Triclinic

## Bravais lattices of Cubic Lattice

- Simple cubic (also called primitive cubic), lattice points only at corners
- Body Centered Cubic (BCC), lattice points at corners and in middle of cube.
- Face Centered Cubic (FCC) lattice points at the corners and in the middle of each face


## Unit Cells

## How many lattice points "belong" to a unit cell ?

- Corners: The points at the corner of the cell are shared by 8 unit cells in total and is only "worth" $1 / 8$ to each cell.
- Faces : - these lattice points are shared by 2 cells, each one is "worth" 1/2 to each cell.
- Body : - this is the sole possesion of that cell, worth 1.
- Total number lattice points:

Primitive cubic $=8(1 / 8)=1$
FCC $\quad=6 \times 1 / 2+8(1 / 8)=4$
BCC $\quad=8(1 / 8)+1=2$

- Law of constancy of interfacial angles - Law of reciprocal indices


## Lattice dimensions

- Directions



## Miller Planes

(100)


## (110)



## (111)



## (210)




## Theoretical Density

## Density=nM/NV n=No of particles

$\mathrm{M}=$ Atomic mass
$\mathrm{N}=$ Avagadro number
$\mathrm{V}=$ Volume of unit cell

## How can we study their structures?

## By x-ray diffraction

## Bragg's Law

Incident rays
Reflected rays


## X-Ray Diffraction

## Debye



## Close packing of spheres

The vacant spaces are called interstitial holes


Most ettective
(a) $a b a b$ - Closest packing


Top view


Top view


Side view
(b) $a b c a-$ Closest packing


Top view


Top view


Top view


Side view

## Hexagonal Closest Packing



## Cubic Closest Packing (FCC)



An atom in every fourth layer lies over an atom in the first layer.


Unit cell

- Each sphere is surrounded by 12 other spheres ( 6 in one plane, 3 above and 3 below).
- Coordination number: the number of spheres directly surrounding a central sphere.
- If unequally sized spheres are used, the smaller spheres are placed in the interstitial holes.

The Indicated Sphere Has 12 Nearest Neighbors


## The Holes that Exist Among Closest Packed Uniform Spheres

(b)


## Crystal Structure of Sodium Chloride

Face-centered cubic lattice.

- Two equivalent ways of defining unit cell:
$-\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$(larger) ions at the corners of the cell, or
$-\mathrm{Na}^{+}$(smaller) ions at the corners of the cell.

- The cation to anion ratio in a unit cell is the same for the crystal. In NaCl each unit cell contains same number of $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$and $\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$ions.
- Anions ccp (fcc). Radius $\mathrm{Na}+=1.02 \AA$, radius $\mathrm{Cl}-=$ $1.81 \AA ̊$; radius ratio $=0.563$.
- Therefore Na octahedral.
- 1 octahedral / anion therefore $100 \%$ octahedral sites are filled.
- Coordination \# $\mathrm{Na}=6$; coordination $\# \mathrm{Cl}=6$.


# The NaCl Unit Cell Contains $4 \mathrm{Na}^{+}$and $4 \mathrm{Cl}^{-}$ 

## Can you see them?????

$O=\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$
$O=\mathrm{Na}^{+}$


## Three Cubic Unit Cells and the Corresponding Lattices



The Position of Tetrahedral Holes in a Face-Centered Cubic Unit Cell

(a)

(b)

(c)

## Radius Ratio rules.

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rcation }\mp@subsup{r}{\mathrm{ anion }}{}=0.225 0.41
    tetrahedral octahedral
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## Zincblende (Zinc sulfide, ZnS)

## structure

- Anions ccp (fcc). Radius $\mathrm{Zn} 2+=0.6 \AA ̊$, radius S2- = $1.84 \AA ̊$; radius ratio $=0.33$ Æ Zn tetrahedral.
- Have 2 tetrahedral sites/ anion, therefore from formula of ZnS only $50 \%$ of the tetrahedral sites can be filled.
Coordination \# Zn = 4; coordination \# S = 4 .
- Which sites are filled ?: see picture below. Note the filling of diagonally opposite sites to maximize the cation-cation separations
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## Cesium Chloride Structure

- CsCl : radius $\mathrm{Cs}+=1.74 \AA$, radius $\mathrm{Cl}-=1.81 \AA$ A radius ratio $=0.96 \nVdash$ predict cubic coordination.
All cubic sites are filled by Cs cations.
Coordination numbers: $\mathrm{Cs}=8 ; \mathrm{Cl}=8$.
Note Cs and Cl are in contact along the body diagonal



## FLUORITE STRUCTURE (CaF2).

- Simple cubic arrangement of anions - 50\% cubic sites filled. e.g.CaF2
ionic radius $\mathrm{Ca} 2+=1.12 \AA \AA$; radius $\mathrm{F}-=1.31 \AA ̊$; radius ratio $=0.85$ $\notin$ Ca2+ cubic coordination. One cubic site per F anion; from stoichiometry only $50 \%$ cubic sites filled by Ca cations. Arrangement of the filled cubic sites is such that the Ca-Ca distances are as large as possible (compare the Ca distribution to that of Zn in ZnS )
Coordination numbers: Ca2+ surrounded by 8 F- 's; Fsurrounded by 4 Ca2+'s.
Other examples: ZrO2

