

Phy 491  
HW#5-Solutions  
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5.1

(i) BRAVAIS  $\vec{a}_1 = a(1,0,0); \vec{a}_2 = a\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right); \vec{a}_3 = a(0,0,1)$

(ii) NON-BRAVAIS, 3 Atom basis

The primitive lattice vectors are:  $\vec{a}_1 = a(1,0,0); \vec{a}_2 = a(0,1,0); \vec{a}_3 = a(0,0,1)$

The basis vectors are:  $\vec{r}_1 = a(0,0,0); \vec{r}_2 = a\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}\right); \vec{r}_3 = a\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

(iii) NON-BRAVAIS, 4 Atom basis

The primitive lattice vectors are:  $\vec{a}_1 = a(1,0,0); \vec{a}_2 = a(0,1,0); \vec{a}_3 = a(0,0,1)$

The basis vectors are:  $\vec{r}_1 = a(0,0,0); \vec{r}_2 = a\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0\right); \vec{r}_3 = a\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right); \vec{r}_4 = a\left(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

5.2

(a) CsCl: Simple Cubic,

$$n = \# \text{ of atoms/unit cell volume} = \frac{2}{a^3}$$

(b) NaCl: Face Centered Cubic (FCC),  $\vec{r}_{Na} = a(0,0,0); \vec{r}_{Cl} = a\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0\right)$

$$n = \frac{2}{a^3/4} = \frac{8}{a^3}$$

(c) CaF<sub>2</sub>: Face Centered Cubic (FCC),  $\vec{r}_{Ca} = a(0,0,0); \vec{r}_{F1} = a\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right); \vec{r}_{F2} = a\left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$

$$n = \frac{3}{a^3/4} = \frac{12}{a^3}$$

(d) BaTiO<sub>3</sub>; Simple Cubic,

$$\vec{r}_{Ba} = a(0,0,0); \vec{r}_{Ti} = a\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right); \vec{r}_{O1} = a\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right); \vec{r}_{O2} = a\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right); \vec{r}_{O3} = a\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$n = \frac{5}{a^3}$$

5.3

$$\vec{b}_2 \cdot \vec{a}_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{b}_1 = \beta \hat{y}$$

$$\vec{b}_2 \cdot \vec{a}_2 = 2\pi \Rightarrow \beta \hat{y} \cdot (a/2\hat{x} + a\sqrt{3}/2\hat{y}) = \beta a\sqrt{3}/2 = 2\pi, \beta = \frac{4\pi}{a\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\vec{b}_2 = \frac{4\pi}{a\sqrt{3}}(0,1)$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{a}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{b}_1 = \gamma(\sqrt{3}/2\hat{x} - 1/2\hat{y})$$

$$\vec{b}_1 \cdot \vec{a}_1 = 2\pi \Rightarrow \gamma a\sqrt{3}/2 = 2\pi; \gamma = \frac{4\pi}{a\sqrt{3}} = \beta$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = \frac{4\pi}{a\sqrt{3}}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

In the reciprocal space the two primitive vectors are  $\vec{b}_1$  and  $\vec{b}_2$  which generate

A 2d hexagonal lattice (net) with the sides of the triangle  $\beta = \frac{4\pi}{a\sqrt{3}}$

The area of the 1<sup>st</sup> BZ is the area of the primitive cell in the reciprocal lattice

space. This is given by  $A_{BZ} = \beta^2 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{8\pi^2}{a^2\sqrt{3}}$ . The area of the primitive cell in the

direct lattice space is  $A = a^2 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ . Thus we find  $A_{BZ} = \frac{(2\pi)^2}{A}$ .