



## Example Problem

- If you know
  - the crystal structure,
  - the atomic radius
  - the atomic weight,

you can calculate the density of a particular material

### Example:

Copper has an atomic radius 0.128 nm an FCC crystal structure and an atomic weight of 63.5 g/mol. Calculate its density.



## **Crystallographic Directions, and Planes**

Now that we know how atoms arrange themselves to form crystals, *we need a way to identify directions and planes of atoms*.

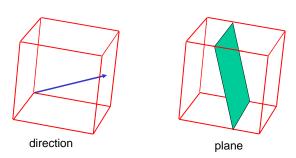
### •Why?

✓ Deformation under loading (*slip*) occurs on certain crystalline planes and in certain crystallographic directions. Before we can predict how materials fail, we need to know what modes of failure are more likely to occur.

 $\checkmark$  Other properties of materials (*electrical conductivity, thermal conductivity, elastic modulus*) can vary in a crystal with orientation.



## Crystallographic Planes & Directions



- It is often necessary to be able to specify certain directions and planes in crystals.
- Many material properties and processes vary with direction in the crystal.
- Directions and planes are described using three integers ...... Indices

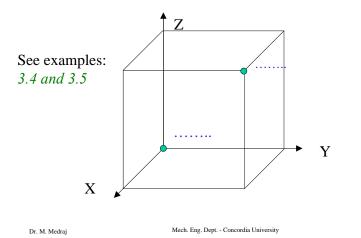
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## Point coordinates

• Point position specified in terms of its coordinates as fractional multiples of the unit cell edge lengths





## General Rules for Lattice Directions, Planes & Miller Indices

- Miller indices used to express lattice *planes* and *directions*
- x, y, z are the axes (on arbitrarily positioned origin)
  *in some crystal systems these are not mutually* ⊥
- a, b, c are lattice parameters (*length of unit cell along a side*)
- h, k, l are the Miller indices for planes and directions expressed as planes: (hkl) and directions: [hkl]
- Conventions for naming
  - There are NO COMMAS between numbers
  - Negative values are expressed
    with a bar over the number
- Crystallographic direction:
   [123]
   [100]
- Example: -2 is expressed 2

– ... etc.





# Miller Indices for Directions

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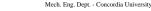
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### <u>Method</u>

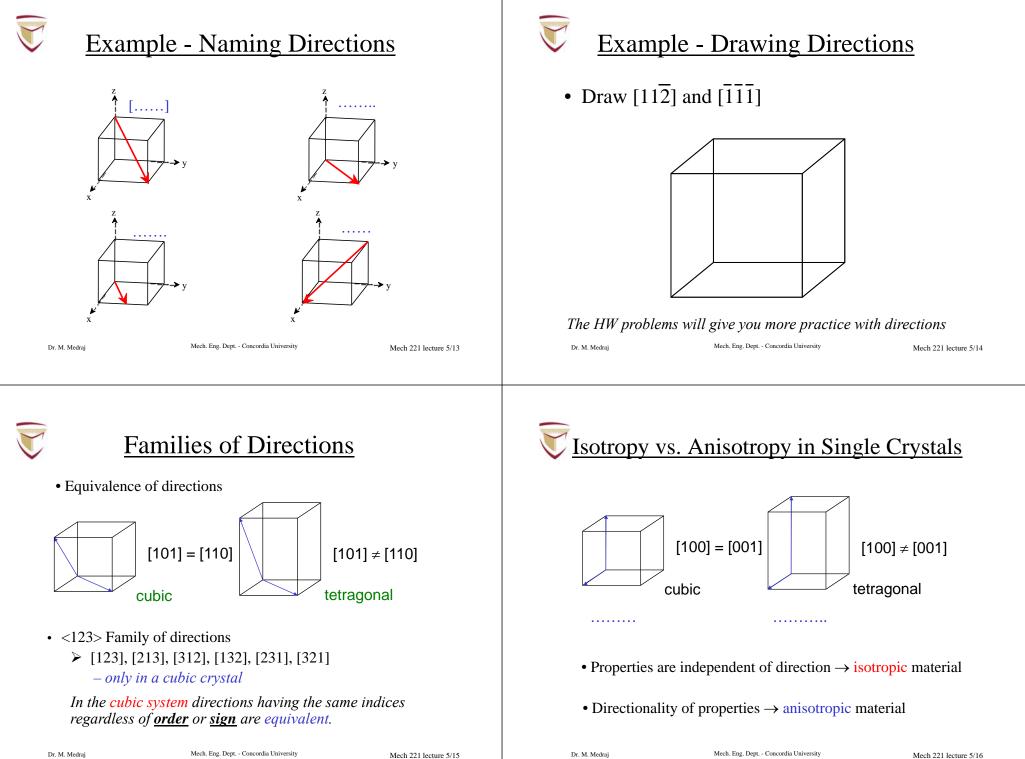
- Draw vector, define tail as origin.
- Determine length of the [???] vector projection in unit cell dimensions, a, b, and c
- Remove fractions by multiplying by smallest possible factor
- Enclose in square brackets
- What is ???

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# Miller Indices for Planes

- (hkl) Crystallographic plane
- {hkl} Family of crystallographic planes - e.g. (hkl), (lhk), (hlk) ... etc.

In the <u>cubic</u> system planes having the same indices regardless of <u>order</u> or <u>sign</u> are equivalent

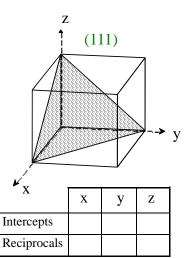
- Hexagonal crystals can be expressed in a four index system (u v t w)
  - Can be converted to a three index system using formulas



# Miller Indices for PLANES

### Method

- If the plane passes through the origin, select an equivalent plane or move the origin
- Determine the intersection of the plane with the axes in terms of a, b, and c
- Take the reciprocal  $(1/\infty = 0)$
- Convert to smallest integers *(optional)*
- Enclose by parentheses



#### see example 3.8

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