Work Sheet # 2

- 1. The packing fraction is a number used to indicate how tightly atoms are packed in a given structure. Find the packing fraction for a simple cubic, body-centered cubic, and face-centered cubic lattices. [Answer: 52%, 68% and 74%, respectively.]
- 2. Find the edge of primitive cell and its corresponding volume of the following structures
 - a) Bcc
 - b) Fcc
- 3. If a set of primitive vectors for face-centered-cubic (fcc) lattice is

given by: $\vec{a}_1 = \frac{a}{2}(\hat{y} + \hat{z}), \quad \vec{a}_2 = \frac{a}{2}(\hat{x} + \hat{z}) \text{ and } \vec{a}_3 = \frac{a}{2}(\hat{y} + \hat{x}), \text{ as}$

shown in the figure, together with Cartesian axes. Find the position \vec{R} of lattice point 1 in terms of the primitive vectors.



4. A set of primitive lattice vectors for a body-centered cubic (bcc) Bravais lattice is given by $\vec{a}_1 = \frac{a}{2}(\hat{y} + \hat{z} - \hat{x})$, $\vec{a}_2 = \frac{a}{2}(\hat{z} + \hat{x} - \hat{y})$ and

 $\vec{a}_3 = \frac{a}{2}(\hat{y} + \hat{x} - \hat{z})$. Show that such a choice of primitive vectors can entirely describe the bcc structure lattice.

The followings are MCQ's. Please choose the correct answer:

- 5. Which of the following statements is correct for the Bravais lattice:
 - a. The three primitive vectors that form the Bravais lattice must be perpendicular to each other.
 - b. All lattice points (or lattice sites) and the corresponding atoms are not necessarily equivalent and of the same kind.
 - c. It is a typical two dimensional lattice that can be generated by any two vectors.
 - d. Bravais lattice is an infinite array of discrete points with an arrangement and orientation that appear the same no matter from which orientation you look at it.
 - e. Bravais lattice is a periodic structure of points that can be constructed by stacking layers of atoms and does not need any kind of vectors to generate it.
- 6. The notation that refers to a family of six equivalent planes in a cubic lattice is

a. < 100 > b. {100} c. (100) d. [100] e. $\pm x, \pm y, \pm z$

7. A plane, in a cubic lattice, together with its intercept values are shown in the figure. The Miller indices (h k l) of the plane are

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| a. (202) | b. (212) | c. (121) | d. (221) | e. (122) |



8. The first nearest neighbor distance (in terms of the lattice constant a) for the face-centered-cubic (fcc) structure is *equal to*

a. a b.
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}a$$
 c. $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}a$ d. $\sqrt{2a}$ e. $\frac{a}{2}$

- 9. Hexagonal-closed packed and face-centered cubic structures are considered as the most highly dense crystalline structures because
 - a. they have stacking layers in their building.
 - b. they have the largest coordination numbers and packing fraction values.
 - c. they have the largest atoms in their structures.
 - d. they have the smallest atoms in their structures.
 - e. the bonds between atoms are very tight and short.
- 10. Which of the following statements is correct?
 - a. In most cases, positions and directions are indexed in terms of primitive rather than conventional lattice vectors, while planes are indexed in terms of conventional lattice vectors.
 - b. In most cases positions, directions and planes of crystals are indexed in terms of primitive rather than conventional lattice vectors.
 - c. In most cases positions, directions and planes of cubic crystal structures are indexed in terms of conventional rather than primitive lattice vectors.
 - d. In most cases, planes and directions are indexed in terms of primitive rather than conventional lattice vectors, while positions are indexed in terms of conventional lattice vectors.
 - e. In most cases positions, directions and planes of crystals are neither indexed in terms of conventional nor indexed in terms of primitive lattice vectors.