

Supplemental Problems for Chapter 3

- 1) Consider a structure with space group $P4_2cm$ (no. 101), and $c = 4a$.
 - (i) Name the point group from which this space group is derived, and sketch a diagram illustrating the general equivalent positions.
 - (ii) Explain the orientation and action of the operators 4_2 , c , and m in this space group.
 - (iii) Find a general equation for the interplanar spacings in this lattice (d-spacings).
 - (iv) Draw a sketch comparing the direct lattice to the reciprocal lattice for this structure, projected along $[010]$. (include at least four unit cells in the plane and label all points and vectors)
 - (v) In this structure, what direction is perpendicular to the (011) plane?

- 2) List the coordinates of all of the special positions in point group $4/m$.

- 3) Use eqn. 3.2 to determine the 3×3 rotation matrix for a triad along the $\langle 111 \rangle$ axis of a cubic system.
 - (i) Starting from the general coordinate x, y, z , what other coordinates are generated by this operator?
 - (ii) How many other triads are there in a cubic point group? What are their rotation matrixes?

- 4) The compound LaMnO_3 crystallizes in the structure described in the table below.
 - (i) What is the Bravais lattice of this structure?
 - (ii) Are the general positions of this group occupied?
 - (iii) Sketch a projection of this structure along the $[001]$ axis.
 - (iv) Define the meanings of "n" and the "a" in the space group symbol. Explain exactly where these operators are in the unit cell and define their action.
 - (v) This group also contains a screw diad (2_1) that is not specified in the name. Where is this located in the unit cell?

Table 1: The structure of LaMnO_3

Formula unit	LaMnO_3
Space group:	$Pnma$ (no. 62)
Cell dimensions:	$a = 5.453 \text{ \AA}$ $b = 7.672 \text{ \AA}$ $c = 5.447 \text{ \AA}$
Cell contents:	4 formula units per cell
Atomic positions:	<p>La in (4a) $0,0,0; 1/2,0,1/2; 0,1/2,0; 1/2,1/2,1/2$</p> <p>Mn in (4c) $x, 1/4, z; \bar{x}+1/2, 3/4, z+1/2;$ $\bar{x}, 3/4, \bar{z}; x+1/2, 1/4, \bar{z}+1/2$ $x = 0.5436$ and $z = 0.0064$</p> <p>O1 in (4c) $x = -0.0108$ and $z = -0.0734$</p> <p>O2 in (8d) $x, y, z; \bar{x}+1/2, \bar{y}, z+1/2;$ $\bar{x}, y+1/2, \bar{z}; x+1/2, \bar{y}+1/2, \bar{z}+1/2;$ $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}; x+1/2, y, \bar{z}+1/2;$ $x, \bar{y}+1/2, z; \bar{x}+1/2, y+1/2, z+1/2;$ $x = 0.3015; y = 0.0385, z = 0.2258$</p>