

ORDER IN ATOMIC ARRANGEMENTS

- No order (e.g., monatomic gases)
 - No regular spatial relationship between atoms
- Short-range order (e.g., inorganic glasses, noncrystalline polymers, molecular liquids)
 - Nearest neighbors may have fixed orientations and separations
- Long-range order (crystals)
 - Identical structural units repeating continuously in three dimensions over hundreds of atomic spacings
– **periodicity**

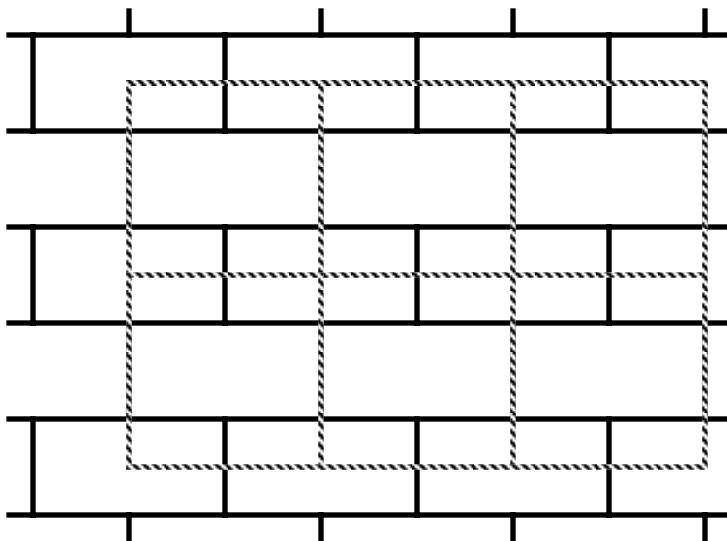
Q: How many atoms in a tiny crystal, $1 \mu\text{m} \times 1 \mu\text{m} \times 1 \mu\text{m}$?

A: Assume a monatomic solid, 10 g/cm^3 , 60 g/mol :

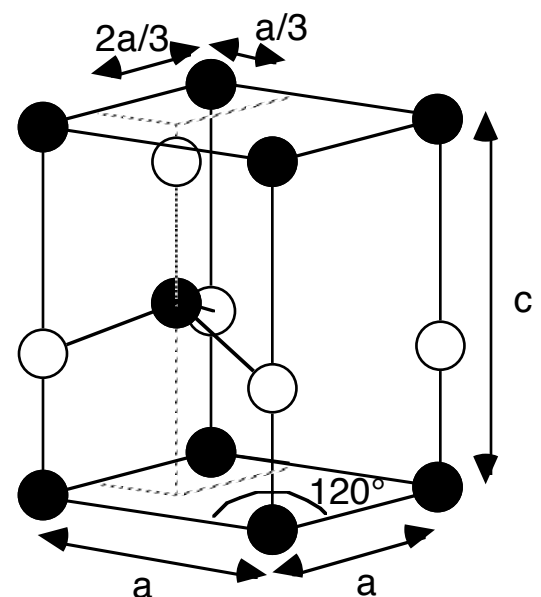
$$\frac{6.0 \times 10^{23} \frac{\text{atoms}}{\text{mol}} \times 10 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3} \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3}{60 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}}}$$
$$= 10^{11} \text{ (i.e., 100 billion) atoms!}$$

LATTICES and CRYSTAL STRUCTURES

- **Lattice** (below left):
 - A regular, periodic configuration of points — the **lattice points** — in space
 - A **mathematical construct** that describes the symmetry of spatially periodic arrangements
 - **Translation vectors** between nearest-neighbor lattice points describe the periodicity of the lattice
 - The translation vectors define the lattice's **unit cell**
 - Lattices can describe the symmetry of ...
 - floor tiling • brickwork • wallpaper
 - fabrics • **crystal structures**
- **Crystal structure** (below right):
 - An arrangement of **atoms** in space, whose symmetry can be described by a lattice



A cinder-block wall (solid lines)
with superimposed 2D lattice
(dashed lines)

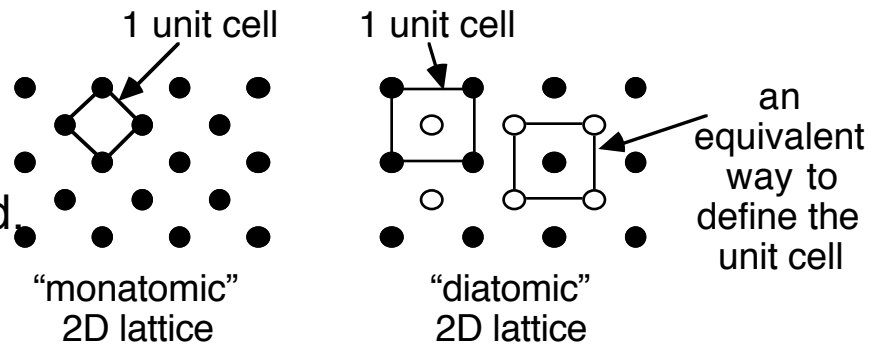


wurtzite structure

UNIT CELL of a lattice

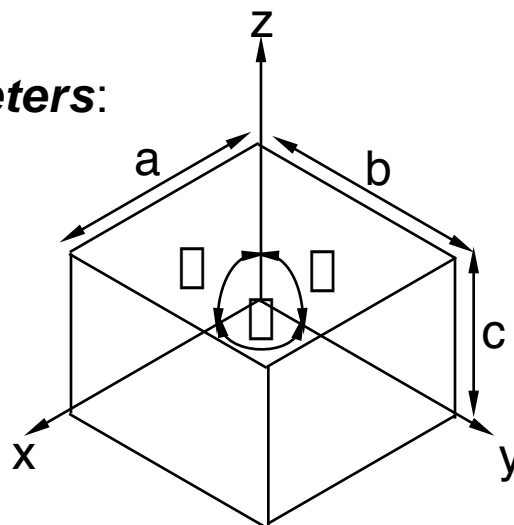
- Polyhedron bounded by the three **translation vectors** that describe the periodicity of the lattice
- Smallest grouping of lattice points which describes the...

- Structure
- Symmetry
- ...of the entire solid.



- Described by **lattice parameters**:

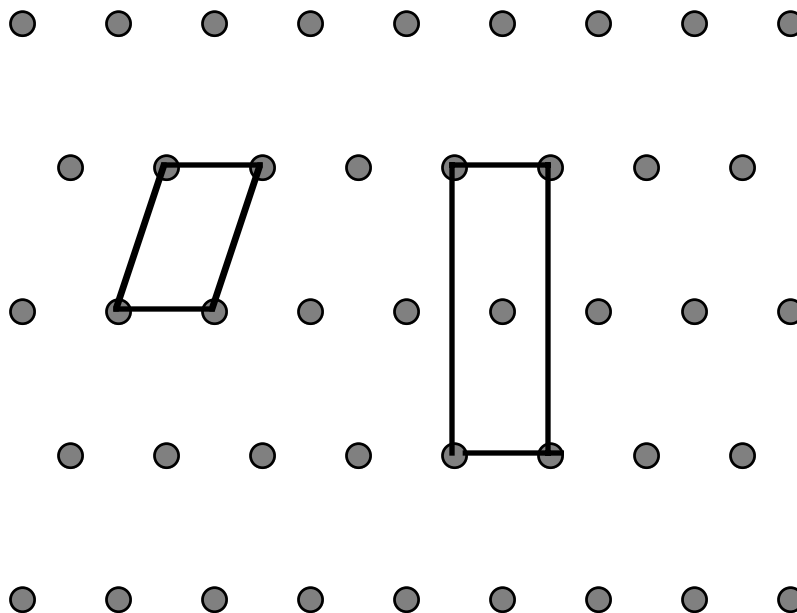
- Cell dimensions a, b, c (lengths of cell edges)
- Angles α, β, γ between cell edges



PRIMITIVE vs. NON-PRIMITIVE UNIT CELLS

- Primitive unit cell: one (net) lattice point per cell
- Non-primitive unit cells: additional lattice points per cell, within a given crystal class

2-D example:*

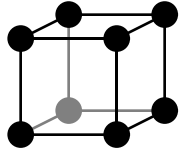
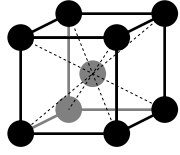
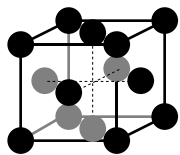
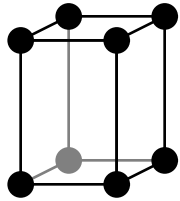
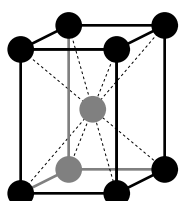
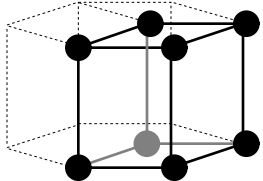
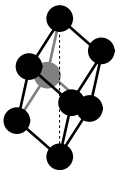


- Every lattice point lies at the intersection of a vertical mirror line and a horizontal mirror line
- The primitive cell (left) can replicate the lattice, ...
- ... but the **non-primitive cell** (right), though larger, **is preferred** because it possesses the full horizontal and vertical mirror symmetry of the lattice
- Similar logic extends to 3-D lattices — the **Bravais lattices**

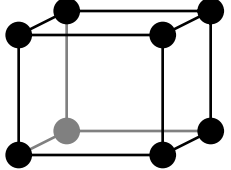
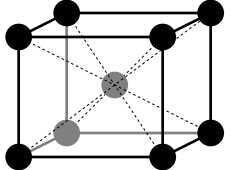
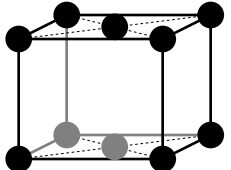
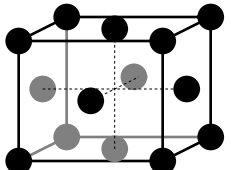
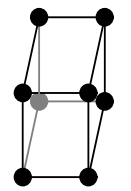
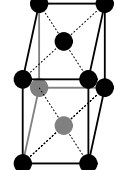
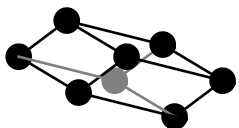
*) After D. W. Oxtoby, H. P. Gillis, and N. H. Nachtrieb, *Principles of Modern Chemistry*, 5th ed., p. 752. Thomson Learning, 2002.

THE BRAVAIS LATTICES (start)

Only unit cells with certain geometries will continuously fill three-dimensional space — the *Bravais lattices*

Class (a.k.a. System)	Type	Minimum lattice points occupied	Unit cell
Cubic $a = b = c$ $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$	Simple (a.k.a. "primitive")	0 0 0	
	Body-centered	0 0 0 $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$	
	Face-centered	0 0 0 $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 0$ $\frac{1}{2} 0 \frac{1}{2}$ $0 \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$	
Tetragonal $a = b \neq c$ $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$ (four-fold symmetry)	Simple	0 0 0	
	Body-centered	0 0 0 $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$	
Hexagonal $a = b \neq c$ $\alpha = \beta = 90^\circ$ $\gamma = 120^\circ$ (six-fold symmetry)	Simple	0 0 0	
Rhombohedral $a = b = c$ $\alpha = \beta = \gamma \neq 90^\circ$ (each face is a rhombus)	Simple	0 0 0	

THE BRAVAIS LATTICES (end)

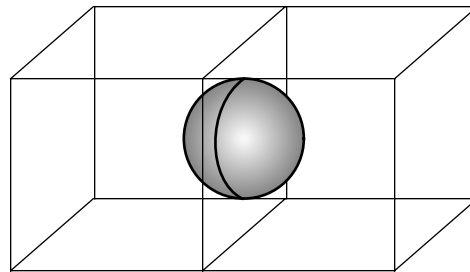
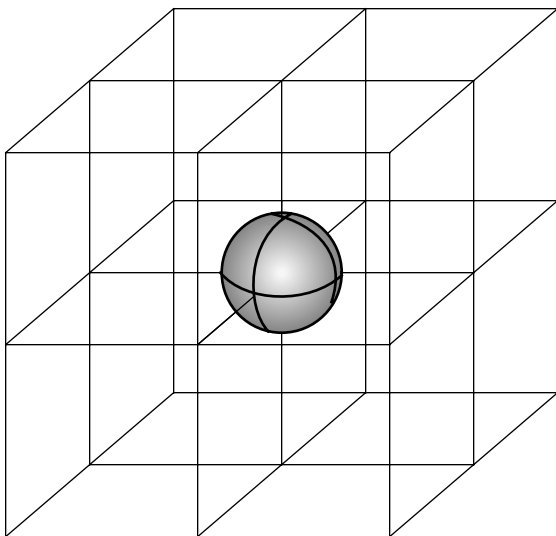
Class (a.k.a. System)	Type	Minimum lattice points occupied	Unit cell
Orthorhombic $a \neq b \neq c$ $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$ (orthogonal axes)	Simple	0 0 0	
	Body-centered	0 0 0 $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$	
	Base-centered	0 0 0 $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 0$	
	Face-centered	0 0 0 $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 0$ $\frac{1}{2} 0 \frac{1}{2}$ $0 \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$	
Monoclinic $a \neq b \neq c$ $\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ \neq \beta$ (one inclined axis)	Simple	0 0 0	
	Base-centered	0 0 0 $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 0$	
Triclinic $a \neq b \neq c$ $\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma$ (three inclined axes)	Simple	0 0 0	

**Total:
7 crystal systems**

**Total:
14 Bravais lattices**

COUNTING ATOMS in a UNIT CELL

- Atoms on **corners** are shared by **eight** unit cells
- Atoms on **faces** are shared by **two** unit cells



[After C. E. Mortimer, *Chemistry — A Conceptual Approach*, 3rd Ed., p. 213. D. Van Nostrand, New York, 1975.]

(Also: **edge** atoms are shared by **four** unit cells)

Q.: How many lattice points (atoms) does a single face-centered cubic cell contain?

$$A.: 8 \frac{\text{corners occupied}}{\text{cell}} \times \frac{1}{8} \frac{\text{atom}}{\text{corner}} = 1$$

$$6 \frac{\text{faces occupied}}{\text{cell}} \times \frac{1}{2} \frac{\text{atom}}{\text{face}} = 3$$

$$\text{total of } 4 \frac{\text{atoms}}{\text{cell}}$$

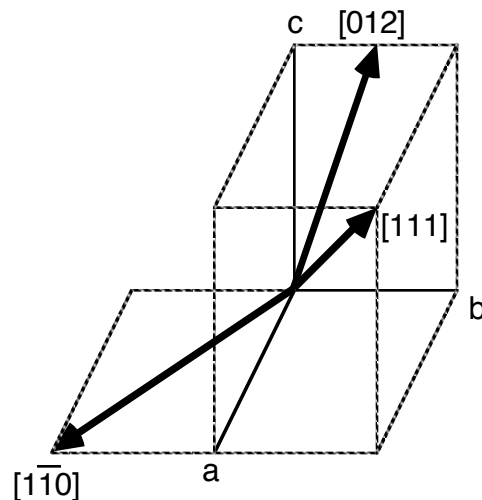
How to specify DIRECTIONS in a lattice:

- 1) Draw a vector, through the origin, that is parallel to the direction of interest.
- 2) Determine the *projections* (components) of the vector along the three axes.

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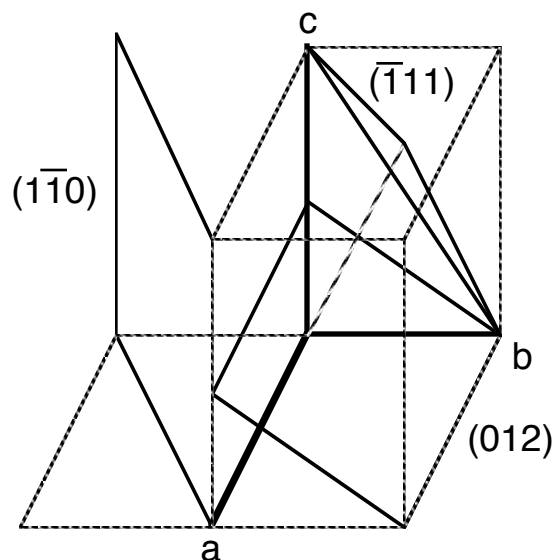
Determine the *coordinates* of any point on the vector.

- 3) Multiply the resulting three numbers by a *common factor* to convert them to the smallest possible integers.
- 4) Enclose the resulting three integers in *square brackets*: [].



How to specify PLANES in a lattice:

- 1) Choose a plane that does not contain the origin.
- 2) Determine the *intercepts* of the plane on the three axes.
- 3) Take the *reciprocals* of the intercepts.
- 4) Multiply the reciprocals by the smallest common factor that will clear all fractions.
- 5) Enclose the resulting integers — the *Miller indices* — in parentheses: $(h k \ell)$.



POINTS ON PLANES

Stated w/o proof: A point with coordinates x, y, z is on a plane with Miller indices $(h k \ell)$ if and only if

$$hx + ky + \ell z = 1$$

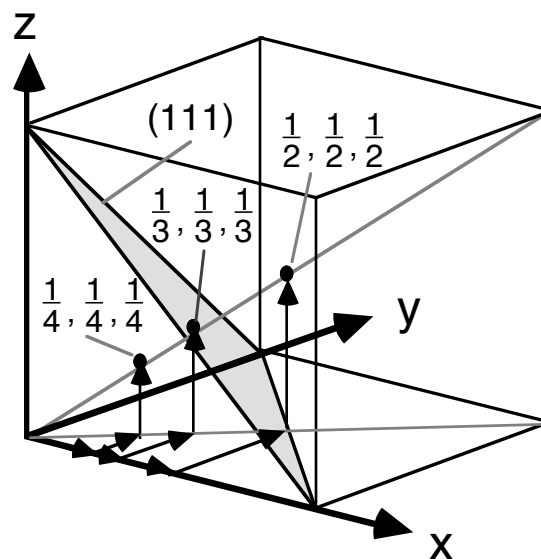
(true for all crystal systems).

So, for example, of the following points,

$$\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} \text{ is NOT on } (111) \quad (\Leftarrow hx + ky + \ell z = \frac{3}{4})$$

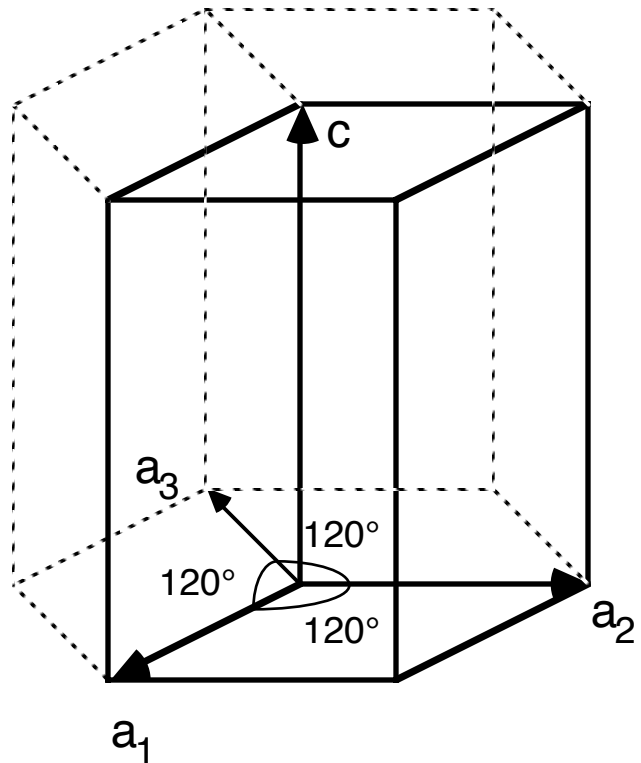
$$\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \text{ IS on } (111) \quad (\Leftarrow hx + ky + \ell z = 1)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \text{ is NOT on } (111) \quad (\Leftarrow hx + ky + \ell z = \frac{3}{2})$$

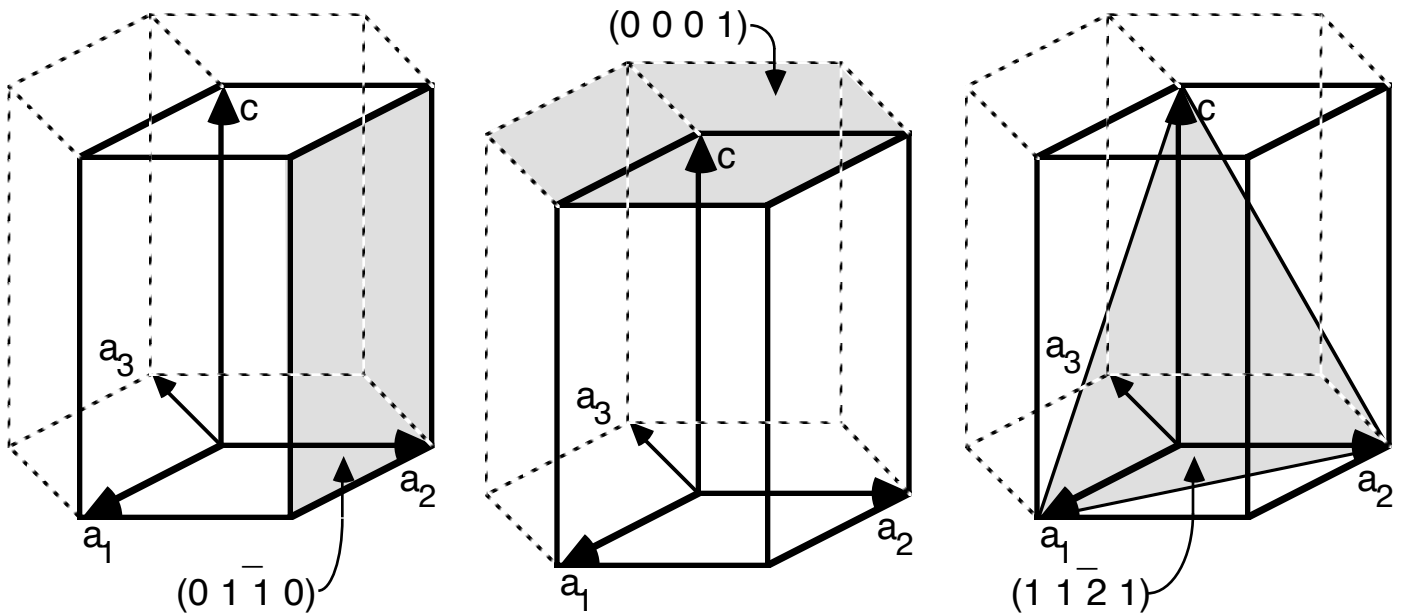


MILLER-BRAVAIS INDICES for planes in hexagonal lattices (start)

- Define a set of *four* basis vectors, a_1 , a_2 , a_3 , and c as shown at right:
- Determine the *intercepts* of the plane of interest on the four basis vectors
- Take the *reciprocals* of the intercepts
- Multiply the reciprocals by the smallest common factor that will *clear all fractions*
- Enclose in parentheses ($h\ k\ i\ l$)



Examples:



- Note: the relationship between a_1 , a_2 , and a_3 is such that

$$\boxed{-i = h + k}$$

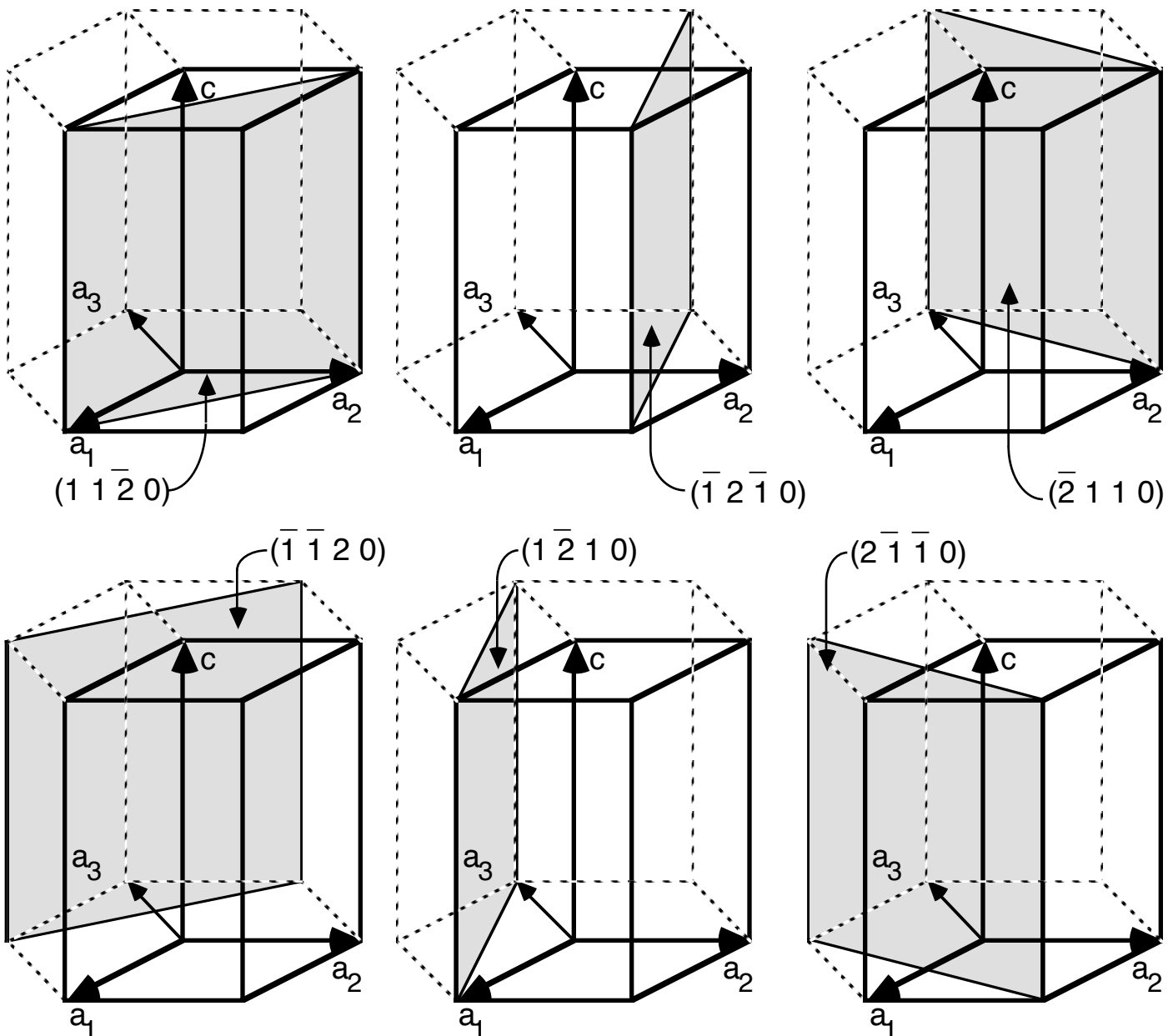
MILLER-BRAVAIS INDICES (end)

Q: Why bother with an extra index?

A: Now planes in the same *family* are identified by **permutations** of the (first three) indices, as with Miller indices for the other systems:

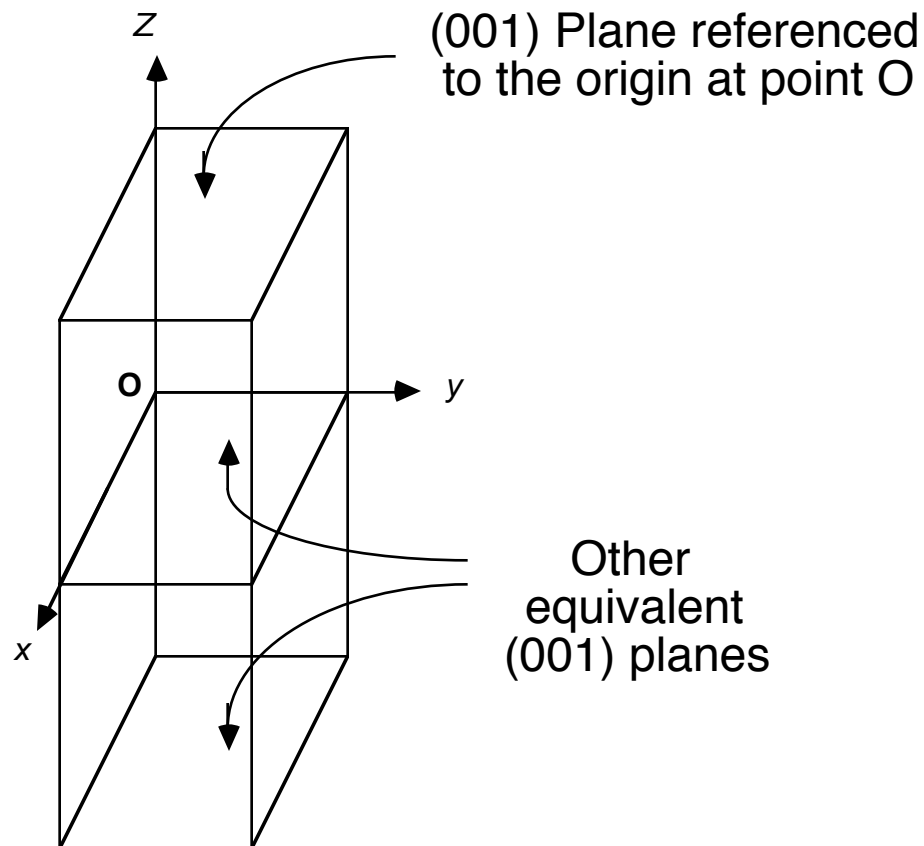
e.g. $\{11\bar{2}0\}$ consists of

$(1\ 1\ \bar{2}\ 0)$ $(\bar{1}\ 2\ \bar{1}\ 0)$ $(\bar{2}\ 1\ 1\ 0)$ $(\bar{1}\ \bar{1}\ 2\ 0)$ $(1\ \bar{2}\ 1\ 0)$ $(2\ \bar{1}\ \bar{1}\ 0)$



EQUIVALENT PLANES**Callister, Figure 3.9**

Equivalent planes: planes that are identical to each other by virtue of the ordinary translational symmetry of the lattice; i.e., they can be generated by translating the unit cell along its base vectors by integral multiples of the respective lattice parameter



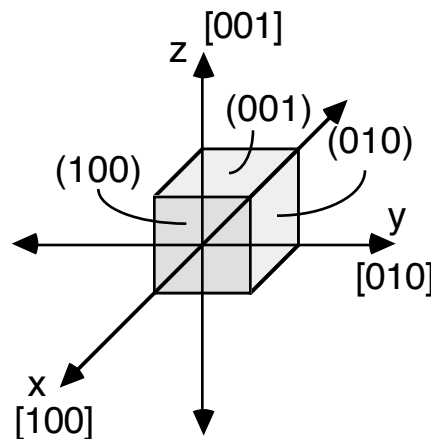
FAMILIES OF PLANES & DIRECTIONS

- Also called **planes of a form** and **directions of a form**
- Are identical to each other by the internal symmetry of the cell (vs. equivalent planes, which are related by the translational symmetry of the lattice):

e.g., in the cubic class,

the cell **faces** lie on planes of a form

the cell **edges** are along directions of a form



Cube faces —
 (100), (010), (001) —
 belong to the family
 of {100} planes

Cube edges —
 [100], [010], [001] —
 belong to the family
 of <100> directions

But note: in the *tetragonal* class,

[100] and [010] belong to
 the <100> family, but
 [001] doesn't

(100) and (010) belong to
 the {100} family, but
 (001) doesn't