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**Series of exercises and problems - Radiocrystallography - No. 01**

**Exercise 1:**

- 1) What is the difference between reflection and diffraction?
- 2) Why there are two types of rays in the X-ray spectrum emitted by any target material?

**Exercise 2:**

The energy of an X-ray photon is given in electron volts, in terms of wavelength, by the following relation:  $E = \frac{12400}{\lambda}$

- 1) State the energy range of X-rays used in crystallography.
- 2) Find the required voltage to produce X-rays by accelerating electrons, to collide with a copper target with an efficiency of 0.3%.
- 3) Determine a range of atomic numbers (Z) for elements that can be used as anticathode to produce X-rays at a voltage of (500 kV) for a crystallographic structural investigation.

**Exercise 3:**

- 1) The tube is equipped with a copper anode. Give the wavelengths and energies of the lines emitted by the anode.
- 2) Calculate the transmission of 0.4 mm thick beryllium window for the  $K\alpha$  line. We have:  
 $I = I_0 e^{-\mu x}$  ;  $\mu = \rho\mu_0$  ;  $l_{bs} = 1/\rho\mu_0 = 5.37 \text{ mm}$
- 3) Repeat questions (1) and (2) for a tungsten anode.

**Exercise 4:**

The gold and copper alloy crystallizes in the cubic system, where the copper atoms' positions are:  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ ,  $(\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2})$ ,  $(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ , and the position of gold atom is  $(0,0,0)$ .

- 1) Determine the Bravais lattice corresponding to this alloy.
- 2) Find the number of the first nearest neighbor and its type and calculate the corresponding distance.
- 3) Deduce the chemical formula of this alloy.

- 4) If the radius of the gold atom is within the range of 1.36 Å, and the radius of the copper atom is 1.32 Å, calculate the weight density of this alloy.
- 5) Considering the Lorentz correction for radiation intensity. Calculate the structure factor and the X-ray intensity for the first six peaks, for a powder sample.

The molecular Weight of gold is **196.97 g/mol**, and the molecular Weight of copper equal to **63.55 g/mol**.

### **Exercise 5:**

Consider the following space groups (orthorhombic system).

*Pban, Cmc21 and Ibam*

- 1) Identify and describe each of the symmetry elements in the previous groups.
- 2) Find the systematic extinctions for these Space Groups.

### **Exercise 6:**

The lattice parameters for the  $\text{Cu}_2(\text{OH})_2$  (*copper(II) dihydroxide*) component in its orthorhombic crystal form (space group **Cmc2<sub>1</sub>**) are typically as follows:

$a \approx 5.02 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $b \approx 3.08 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $c \approx 9.02 \text{ \AA}$ .

In the crystal structure of  $\text{Cu}_2(\text{OH})_2$ , the positions of the atoms vary depending on the structure and the space group, in general description of the positions of the atoms in the lattice: : Two sites for the copper ion in the lattice. The positions can be approximately:

Cu: (0, 0, 0), Cu: (1/2, 1/2, 1/4)

The oxygen atoms in hydroxide groups are at specific positions, often bonded to the copper sites. example, the positions for O could be:

O: (0, 0, 1/2), O: (0, 0, 3/4)

The hydrogen atoms in hydroxyl groups are usually bonded to oxygen atoms. they are at a specific distance from the oxygen, usually given by position coordinates, such as:

H: (0, 0, 1/2), H: (0, 0, 3/4)

bonded to the first and the second oxygen respectively.

- 1) Describe the symmetry space group of this component.
- 2) Draw the projection of the crystal cell on the planes (100), (010), (001).
- 3) Find the systematic extinctions for these Space Groups.
- 4) Considering the Lorentz factor. Calculate the first six peaks for XRD.