

SCHEDULE

	Date	Topic
1.	Wed 01.03.	Lec-1: Introduction
2.	Mon 06.03.	Lec-2: Crystal Chemistry & Tolerance parameter
3.	Mon 06.03.	EXERCISE 1
4.	Wed 08.03.	Lec-3: Crystal Chemistry & BVS
5.	Fri 10.03.	Lec-4: Symmetry & Point Groups
6.	Mon 13.03.	EXERCISE 2
7.	Wed 15.03.	Lec-5: Crystallography & Space Groups (Linda)
8.	Fri 17.03.	Lec-6: XRD & Reciprocal lattice (Linda)
9.	Mon 20.03.	EXERCISE 3 (Linda)
10.	Fri 31.03.	Lec-7: Rietveld (Linda)
11.	Mon 03.04	EXERCISE 4: Rietveld (Linda)
12.	Wed 12.04.	Lec-8: ND & GI-XRD
13.	Fri 14.04.	Lec-9: XRR (Topias)
14.	Mon 17.04.	EXERCISE 5: XRR (Topias)
15.	Wed 19.04.	Lec-10: Synchrotron radiation & XAS & EXAFS
16.	Fri 21.04.	Mössbauer
17.	Fri 21.04.	EXERCISE 6
18.	Thu 27.04.	Seminars: XPS, FTIR, Raman
19.	Fri 28.04.	Seminars: ED, HRTEM, SEM, AFM

EXAM

Periodic table of the elements

period	group 1*	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	1 H																	2 He
2	3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
3	11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
4	19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
5	37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
6	55 Cs	56 Ba	57 La	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
7	87 Fr	88 Ra	89 Ac	104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs	109 Mt	110 Ds	111 Rg	112 Cn	113 Nh	114 Fl	115 Mc	116 Lv	117 Ts	118 Og

lanthanoid series 6	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu
actinoid series 7	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr

*Numbering system adopted by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC).

LECTURE 2: CRYSTAL CHEMISTRY

- Learn to "read" different types of crystal structure representations
- Concepts of coordination number (CN) and coordination polyhedron (= spatial arrangement of nearest-neighbour atoms)
- Ionic radius: dependence on CN and valence (V)
- Tolerance factor concept and utilization

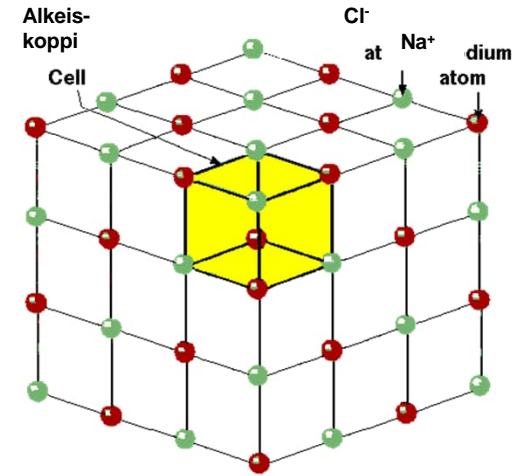
EXAMPLES of "everyday" crystals/structures



Rock salt (NaCl)



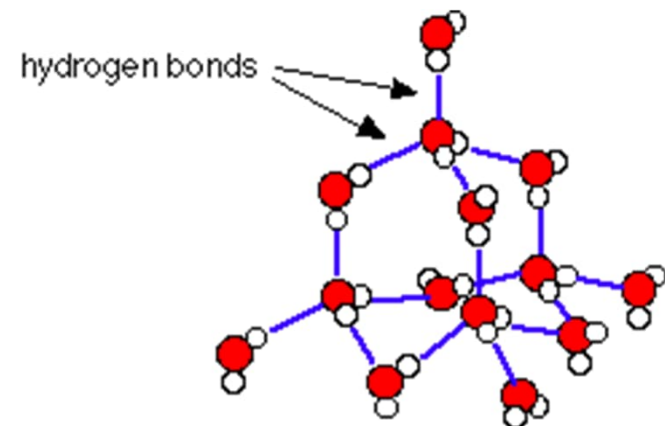
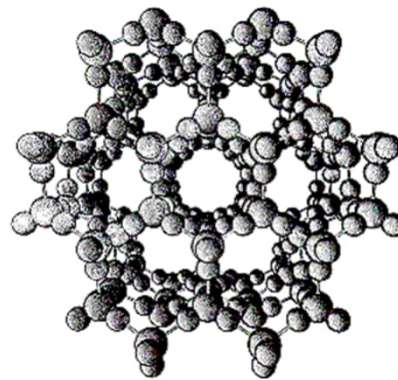
NaCl single crystal



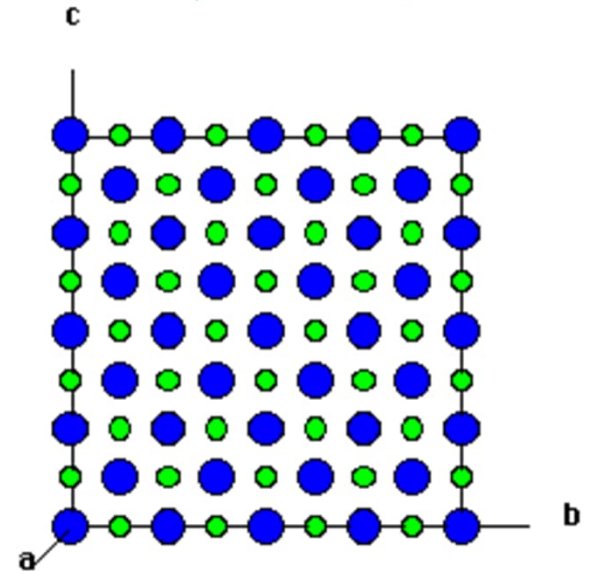
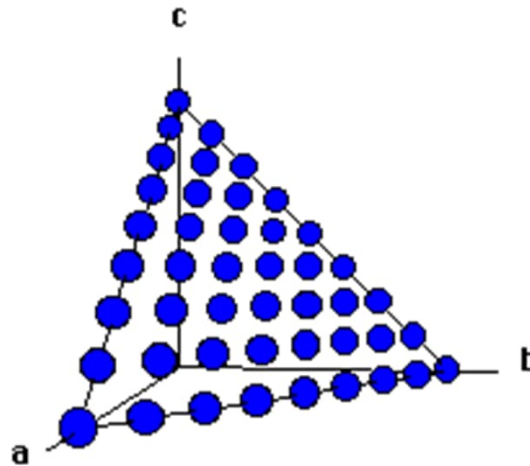
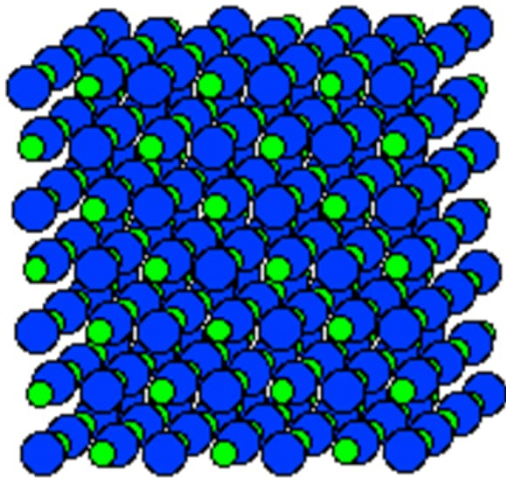
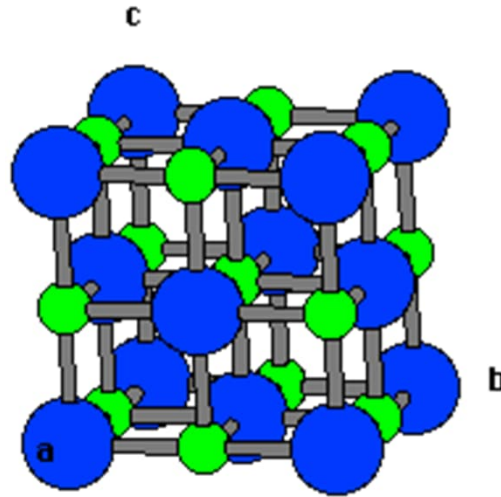
Cubic crystal structure:
high symmetry, ionic bonds
→ extremely stable



Snow flake:
hexagonal

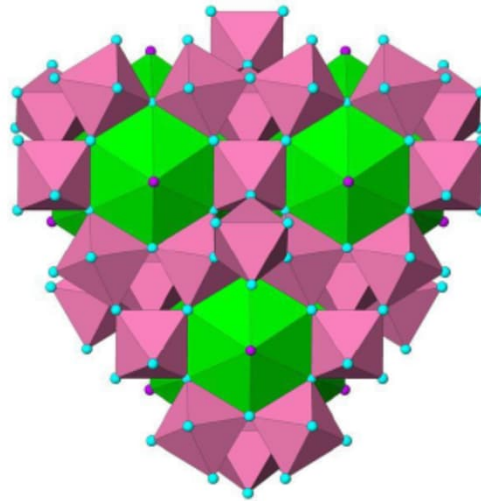
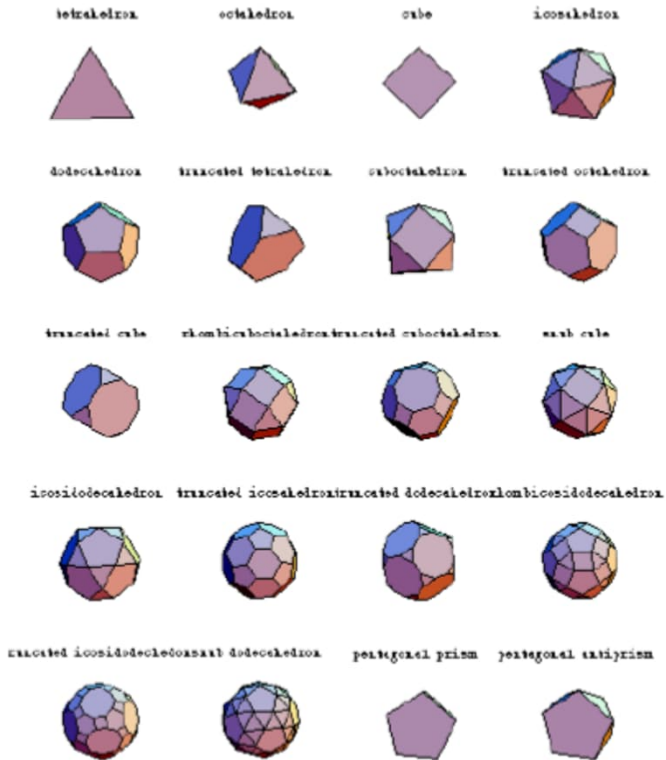


The same (NaCl) crystal structure can be presented in multiple ways

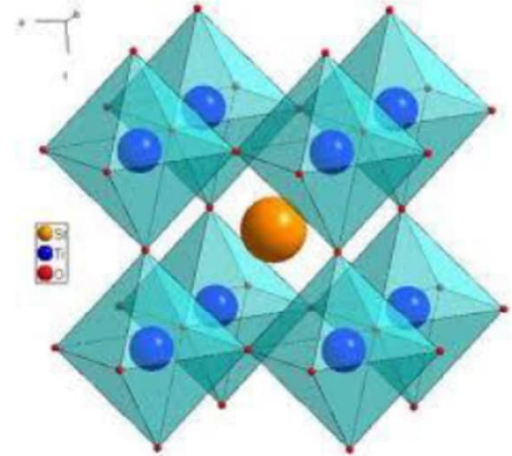


Polyhedra

Generally metal in centre and oxide or halide at vertices

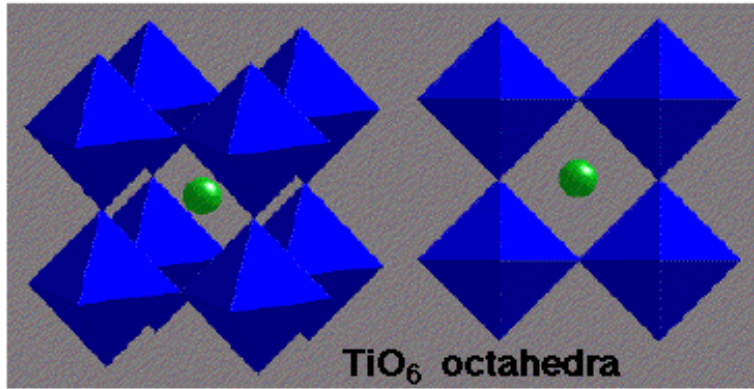


Pyrochlore

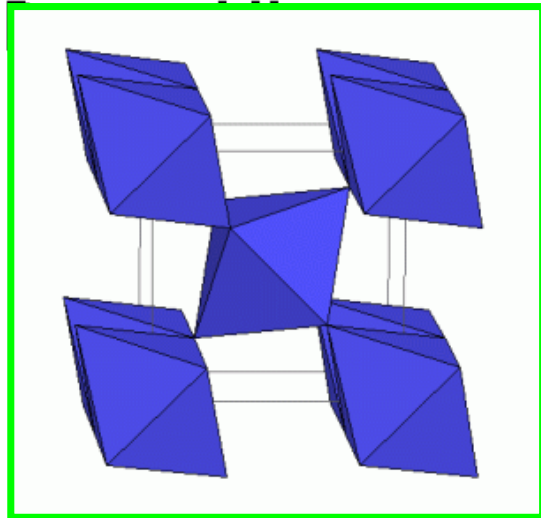


Perovskite

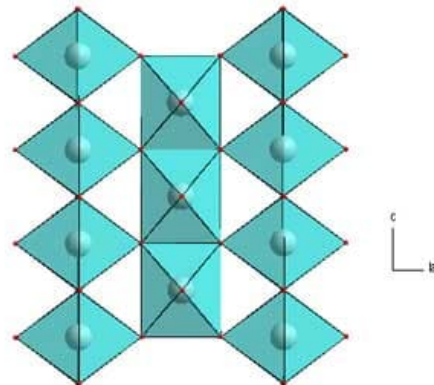
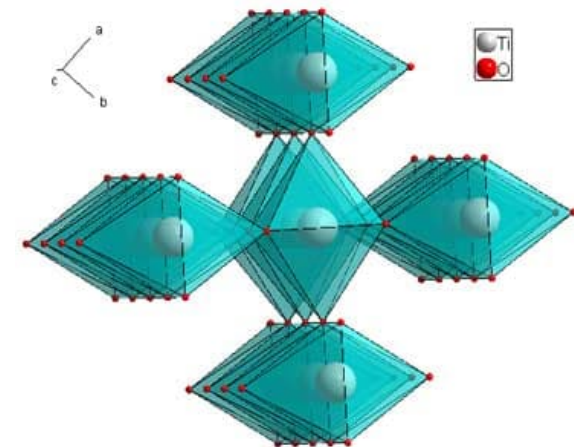
PEROVSKITE CaTiO_3



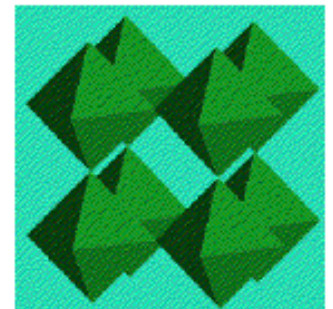
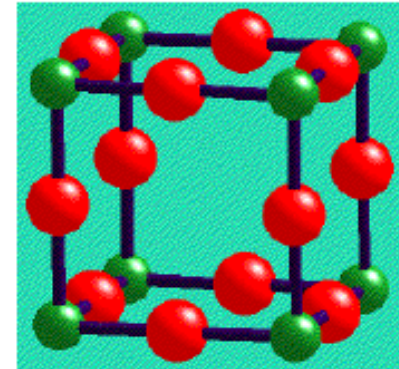
Examples
of related crystal structures:
- Coordination numbers?



RUTILE TiO_2

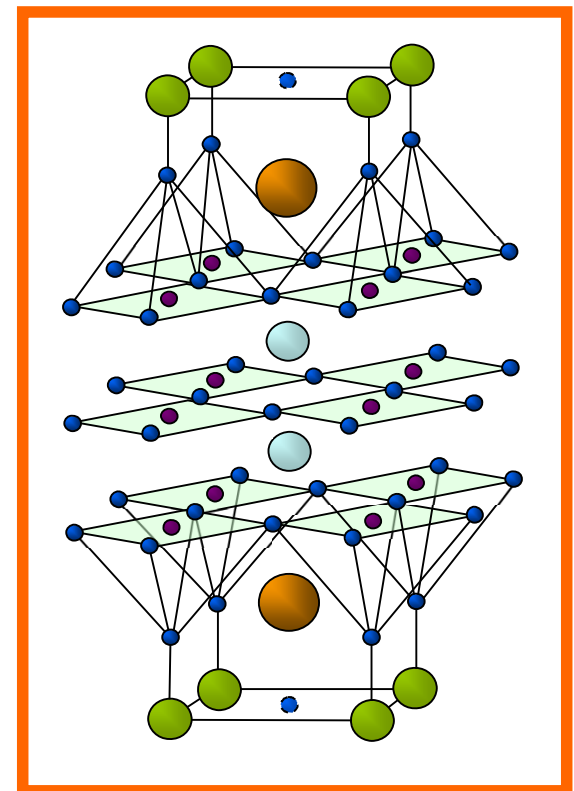
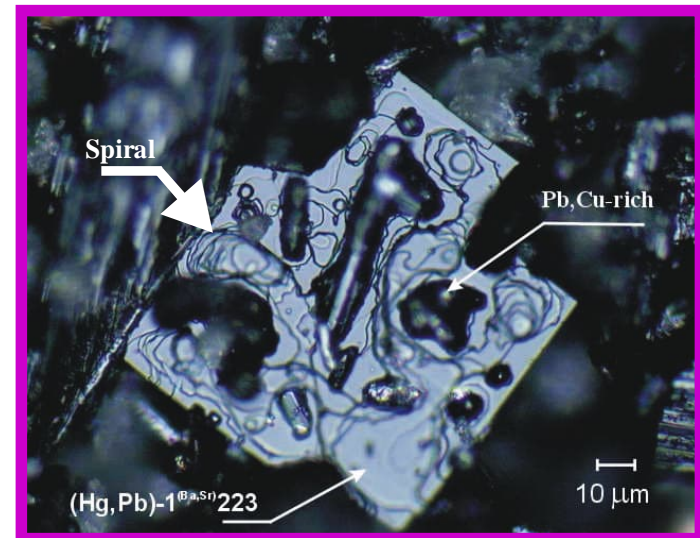


ReO_3



CRYSTAL

- Regularity of small building units in crystalline solids was predicted already in 17th century based on the beautifully symmetric shapes of macroscopic crystals
- Experimentally this was verified in 1912 by showing that crystals work as 3D diffraction gratings for X-rays (with wavelength of the same order as the distances of atoms in crystals)
- Interatomic distances in crystals are of **Ångström-scale: $1 \text{ \AA} = 10^{-10} \text{ m} = 0.1 \text{ nm}$**
- On the right, the tiny crystal (grown from flux by my students) is a single crystal of the record-high T_c (135 K) Hg-Ba-Ca-Cu-O superconductor; crystal structure shown below



WHAT WE LIKE TO KNOW ABOUT THE CRYSTAL STRUCTURE

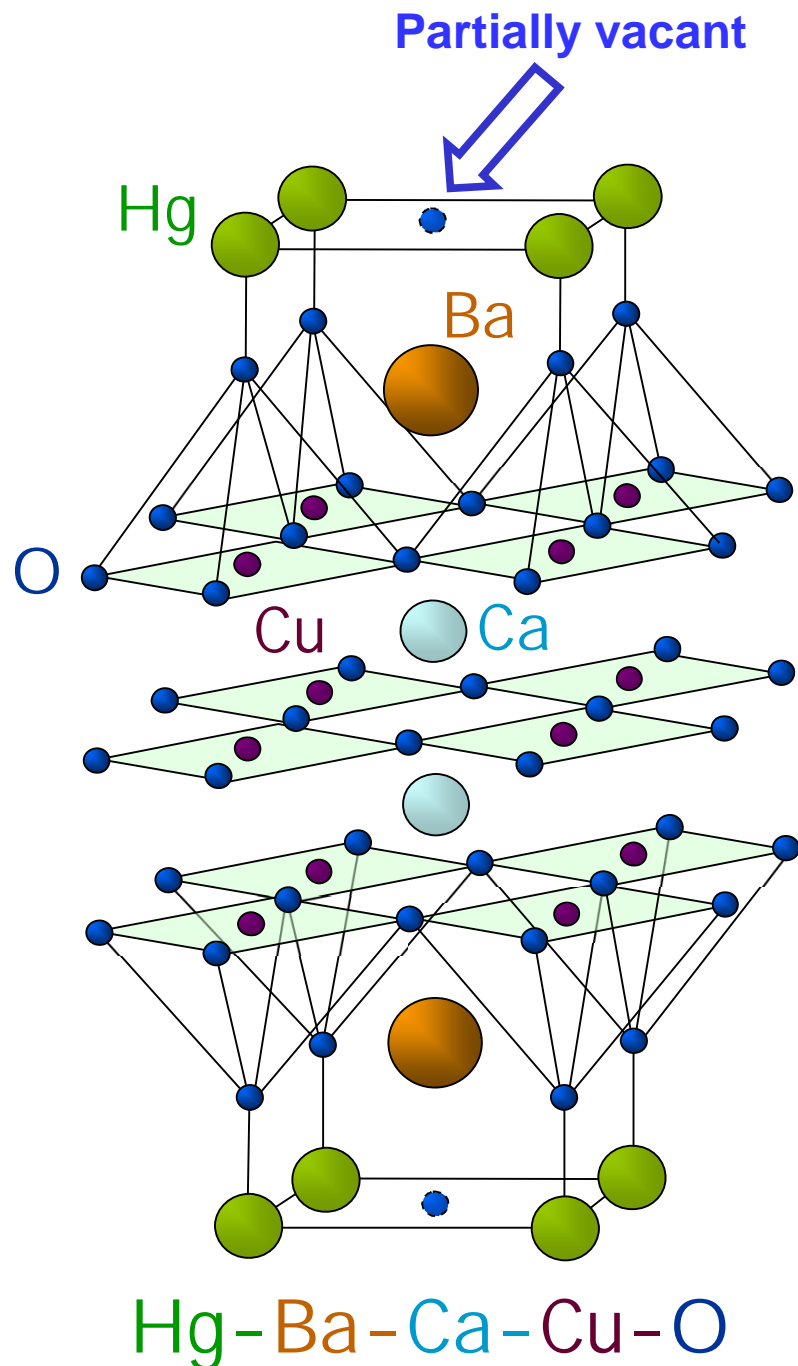
CRYSTALLOGRAPHY

- unit cell
- lattice parameters
- symmetry
- space group
- number of formula units in unit cell
- etc.

CRYSTAL CHEMISTRY

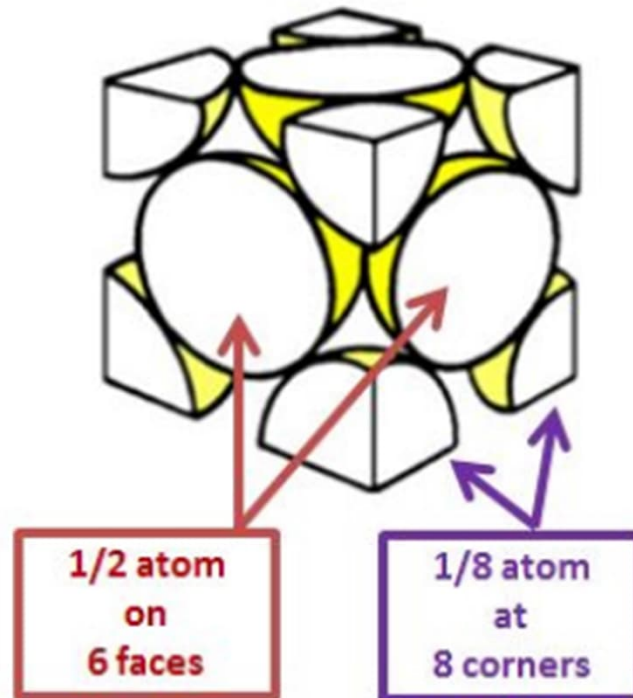
- coordination numbers
- coordination polyhedra
- bond lengths/angles
- occupancy factors
- etc.

This lecture is of **crystal chemistry** !



NUMBER of ATOMS in UNIT CELL

- atom inside unit cell: belongs only to one unit cell → 1
- atom on unit cell face: belongs to two unit cells → 0.5
- atom on unit cell edge: belongs to four unit cells → 0.25
- atom on unit cell corner: belongs to eight unit cells → 0.125



How the atoms are located in the structure depends on:

- relative sizes of atoms/ions
- charges (oxidation states) of ions
- nature of chemical bonds (involvement of different orbitals)

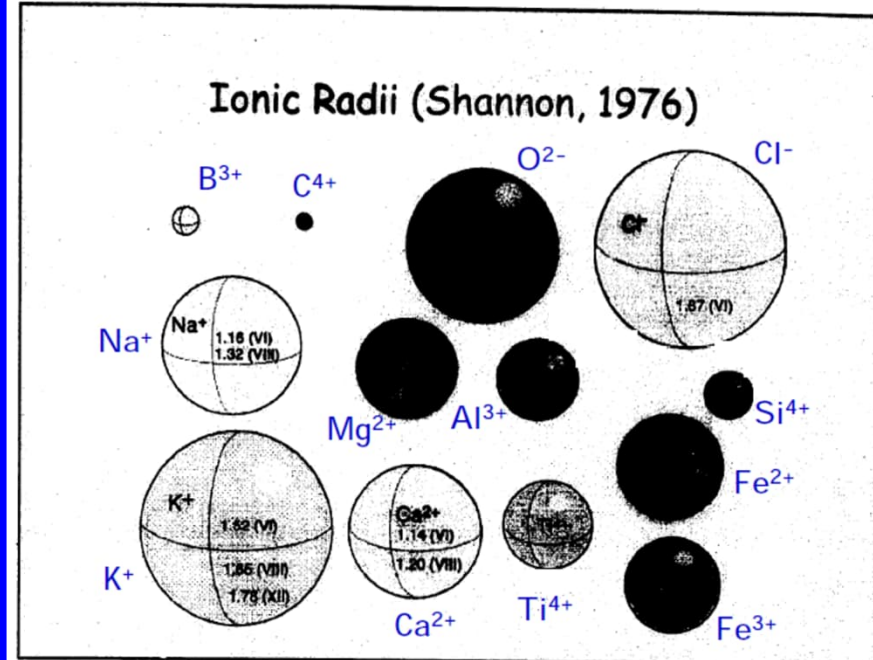
NEXT WE BRIEFLY RECALL & DISCUSS:

- Ion size (ionic radius) and how it affects the structure

Theorists are always predicting new structures that we (experimentalists) can't make. But we keep making structures they can't predict.

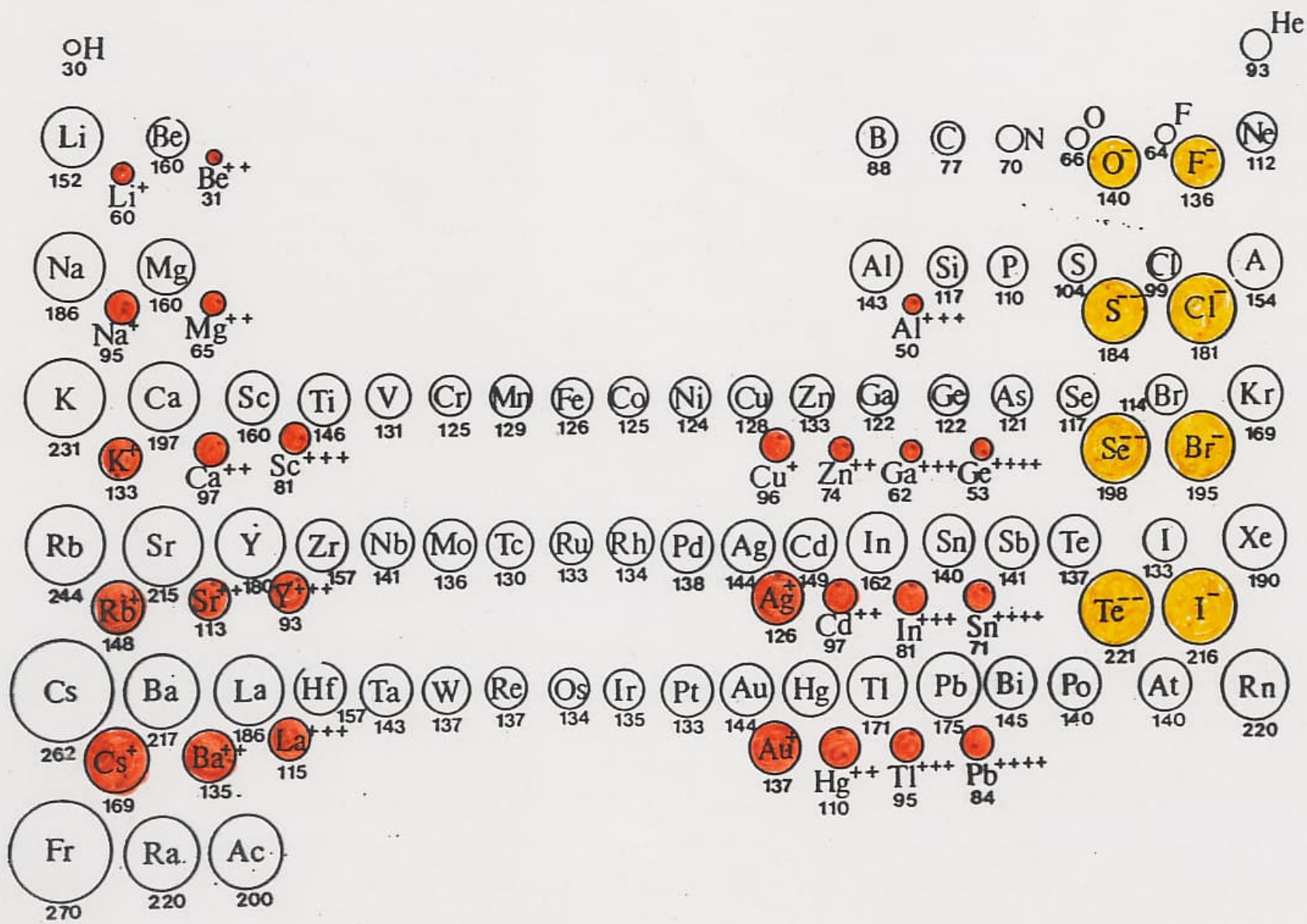
IONIC RADIUS

- It is not possible to measure ionic radius values directly
- The values are estimated (using statistical techniques) for each ion from a large experimental data set for bond lengths between many pairs of two different elements in different (ionic) compounds
- These are tabulated; there are several different ionic radius tables; the most commonly used one is: R.D. Shannon, Acta Cryst. A 32, 751 (1976)
- There are relatively large differences in ionic radii among different ions
- For the same element, ionic radius depends on the oxidation state and coordination number



Ionic Radii - Notable Trends

- The radius increases as you move down a column.
 - $\text{Al}^{3+} = 0.675 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Ga}^{3+} = 0.760 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{In}^{3+} = 0.940 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Tl}^{3+} = 1.025 \text{ \AA}$
- The radius decreases as you move across a period.
 - $\text{La}^{3+} = 1.172 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Nd}^{3+} = 1.123 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Gd}^{3+} = 1.078 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Lu}^{3+} = 1.001 \text{ \AA}$
- The 4d & 5d metals have similar radii due to the lanthanide contraction.
 - $\text{Nb}^{5+} = 0.78 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Ta}^{5+} = 0.78 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Pd}^{4+} = 0.755 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Pt}^{4+} = 0.765 \text{ \AA}$
- The cation radius decreases as you increase the oxidation state.
 - $\text{Mn}^{2+} = 0.810 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Mn}^{3+} = 0.785 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{Mn}^{4+} = 0.670 \text{ \AA}$
- The radius increases as the coordination number increases.
 - Sr^{2+} : CN=6 \rightarrow 1.32 \AA , CN=8 \rightarrow 1.40 \AA ,
CN=10 \rightarrow 1.50 \AA , CN=12 \rightarrow 1.58 \AA



Linus Pauling was the first to predict crystal structures based on relative (cation versus anion) ionic radii

Pauling's Rule for binary AB compounds

$$r_C/r_A < 0.155$$

$$\text{CN} = 2$$

$$0.155 < r_C/r_A < 0.225$$

$$\text{CN} = 3$$

$$0.225 < r_C/r_A < 0.414$$

$$\text{CN} = 4$$

$$0.414 < r_C/r_A < 0.732$$

$$\text{CN} = 6$$

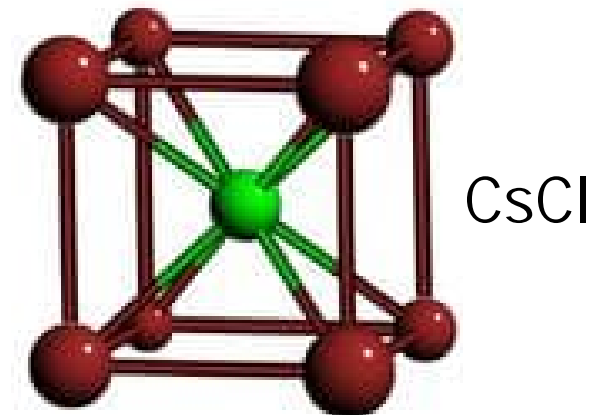
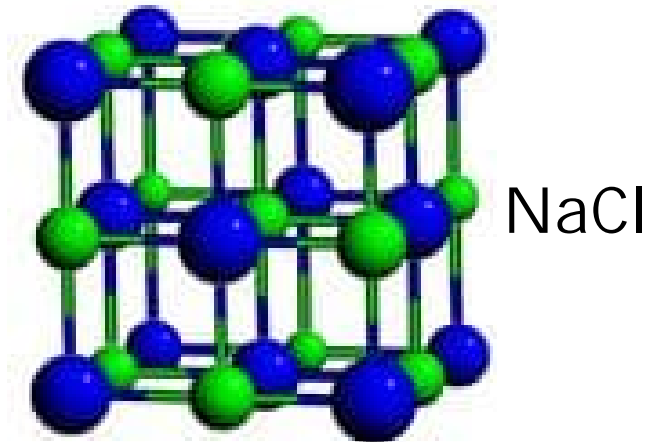
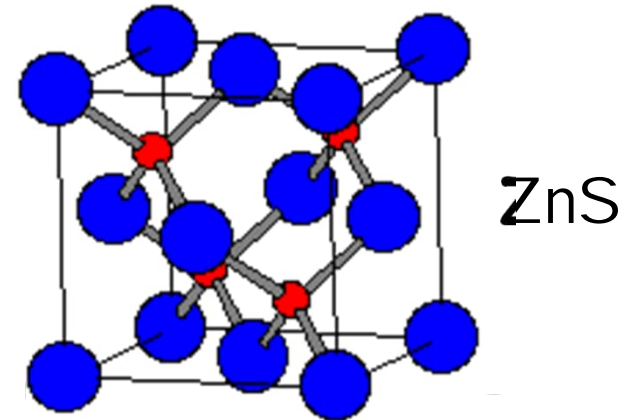
$$0.732 < r_C/r_A < 1.00$$

$$\text{CN} = 8$$

$$r_C/r_A > 1.00$$

$$\text{CN} = 12$$

QUESTION: what are the coordination numbers (CN) in ZnS, NaCl and CsCl ?



Victor Moritz Goldschmidt
(1888-1947)



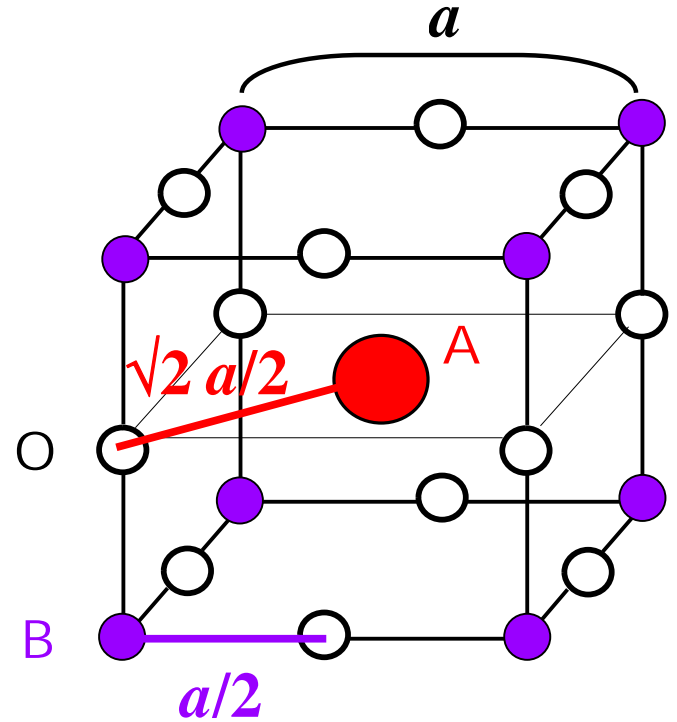
Another approach:

TOLERANCE FACTOR (t)

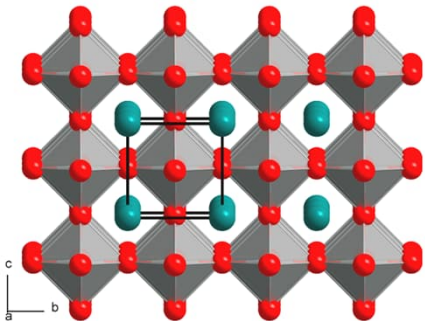
- **1926 Goldschmidt**
V.M. Goldschmidt , “Geochemische Verteilungsgesetze der Elemente”,
Skrifter Norske Videnskaps-Akad, Oslo, I. Mat-Naturr. K1 (1926)
- **t : measure for the degree of mismatch between two different atomic layers: at $t = 1$, perfect match**
- **Calculated from preferred bond lengths**
- **Preferred bond lengths are estimated from ionic radii (Shannon)**
- **Developed first for the perovskite structure, later extended to other structures as well**
- **To understand the stability of the structures and the creation of different distortions/defects (e.g. oxygen vacancies)**

Tolerance factor for ABO_3 perovskite

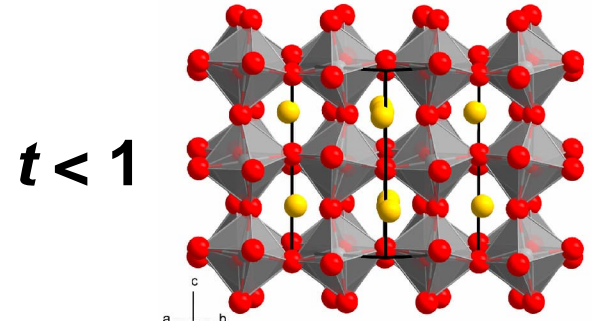
$$t = \frac{(r_A + r_O)}{\sqrt{2} (r_B + r_O)}$$



- $t = 1$: ideal matching (0.80 < t < 1.05 possible)
- $t < 1$: A is too small \rightarrow changes in oxygen position
- $t > 1$: B is too small \rightarrow B is reduced \rightarrow oxygen vacancies



$t = 1$

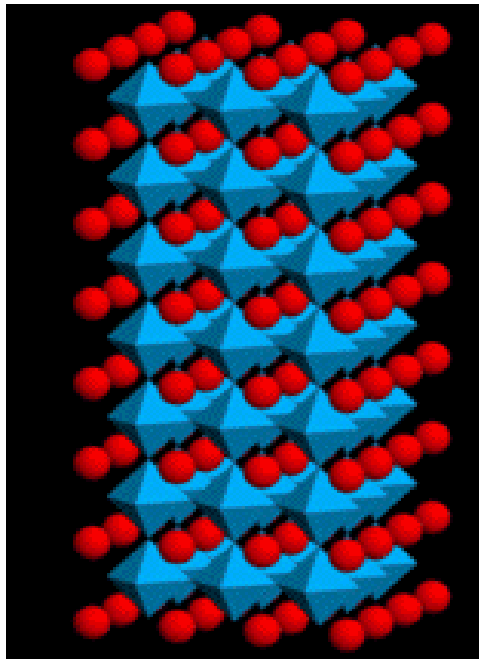


$t < 1$

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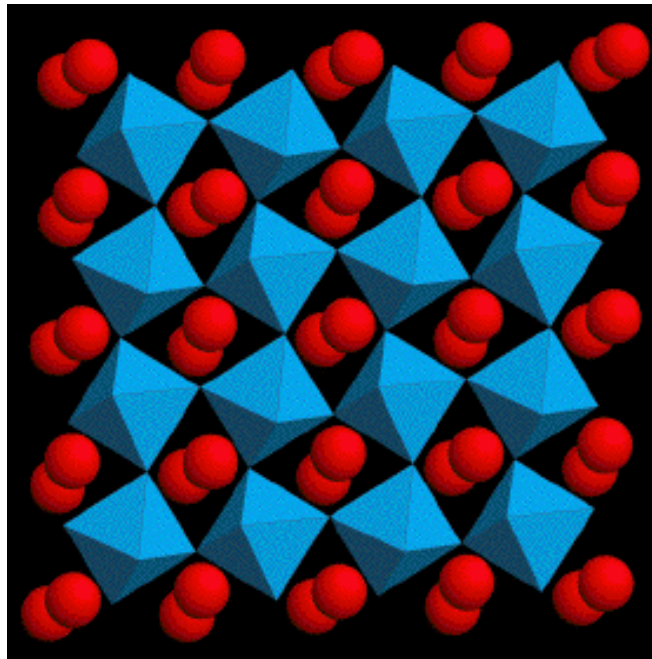
NOTE:
Oxygen vacancies
can be random or
ordered (as below)

$t = 1$



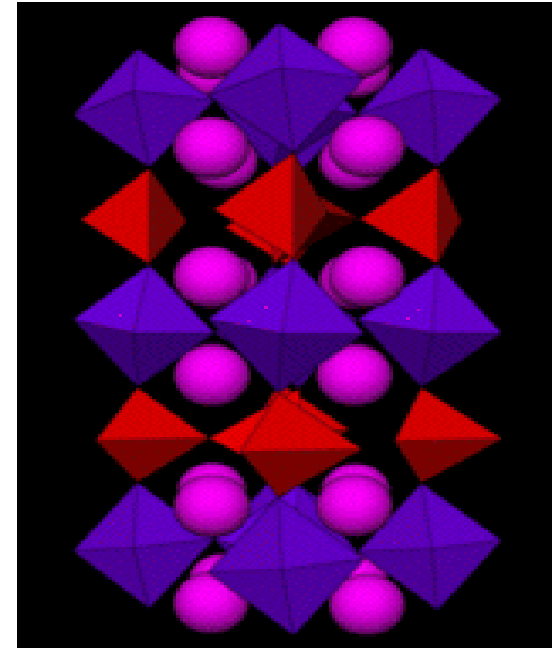
IDEAL

$t < 1$



**Changes in
atomic positions**

$t > 1$



**Oxygen
deficiency**

FOR METAL OXIDES,
defects are usually discussed in
terms of oxygen nonstoichiometry,
but this is not always exactly true

(1) Interstitial oxygen atoms



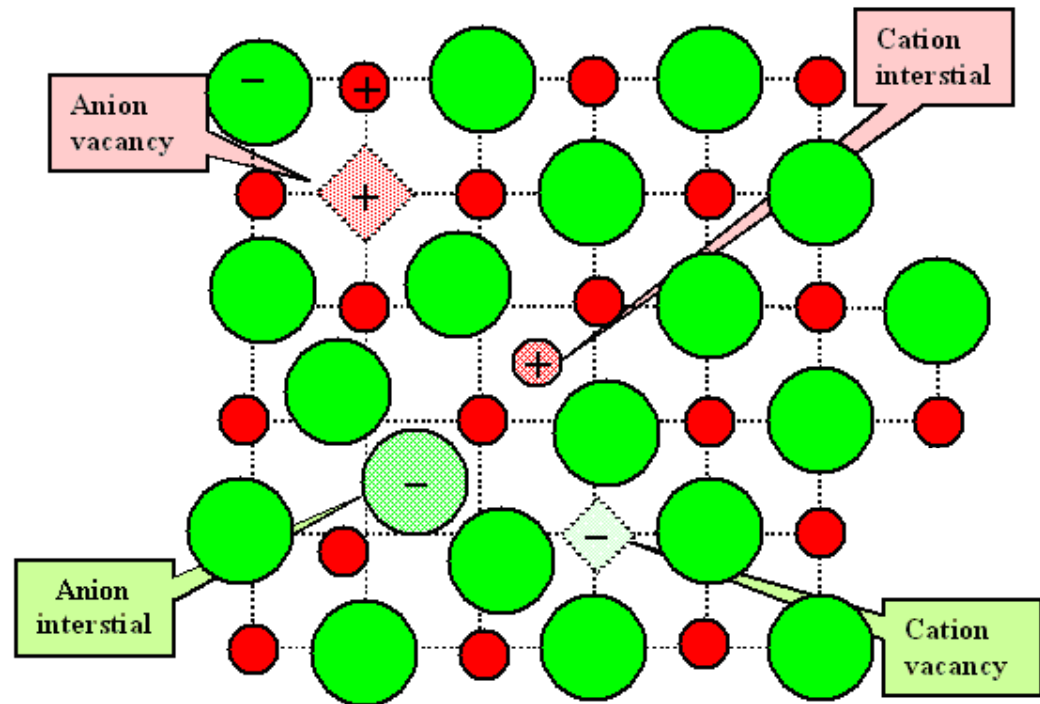
(2) Cation vacancies



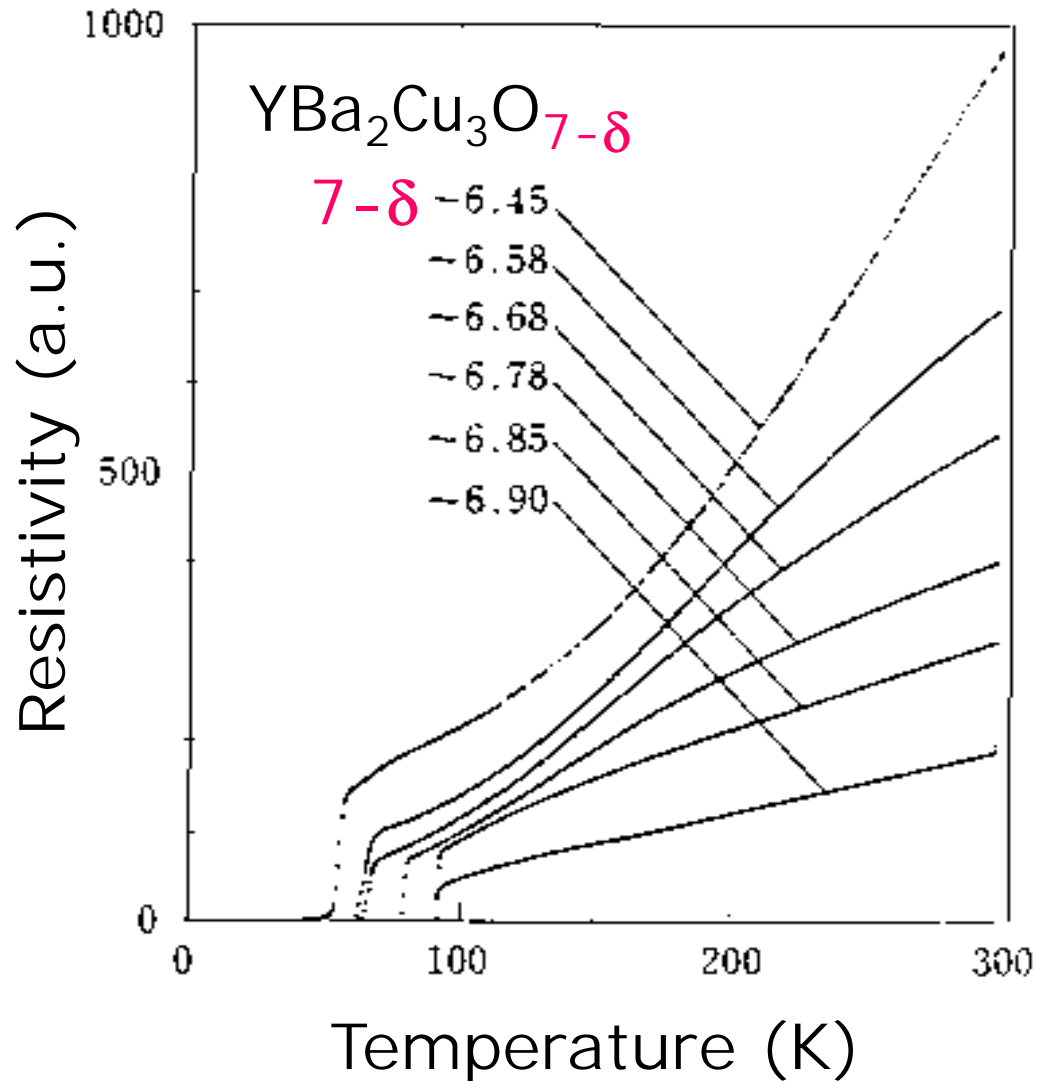
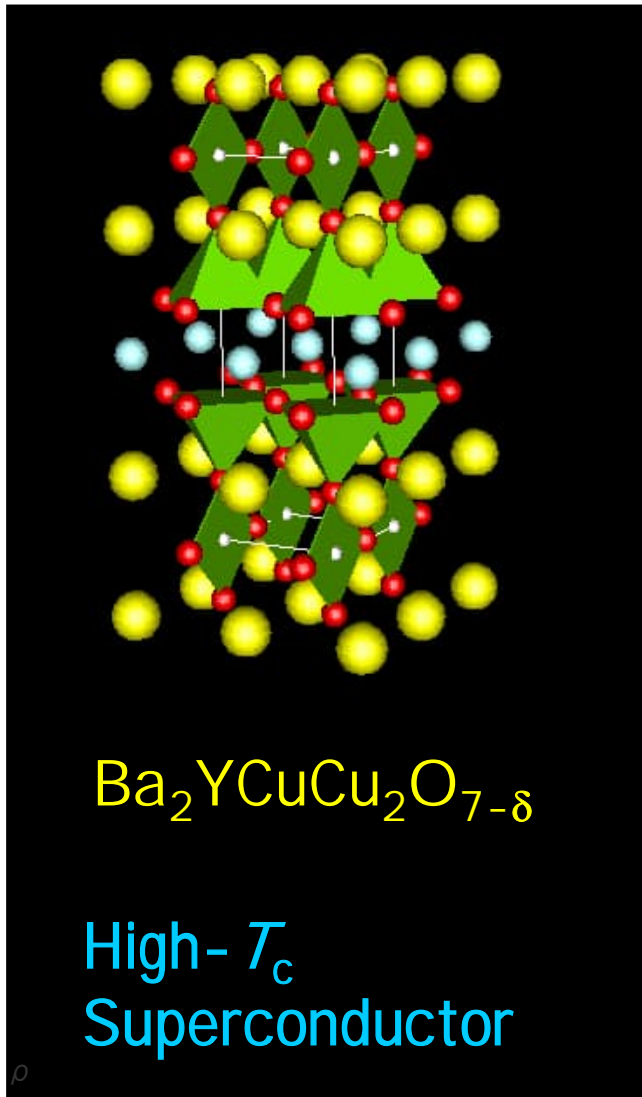
(3) Oxygen vacancies



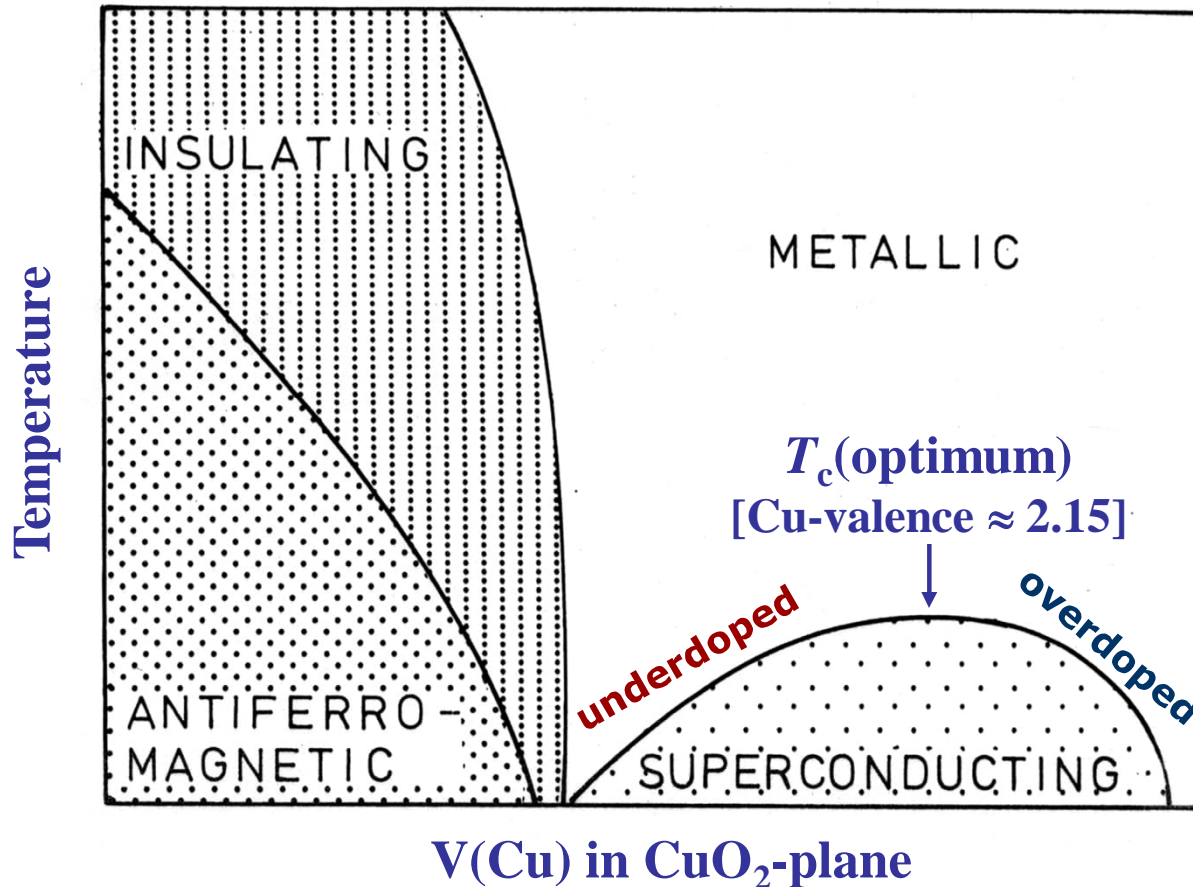
(4) Interstitial cations



$\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-\delta}$ (or $\text{Ba}_2\text{YCu(1)Cu(2)}_2\text{O}_{7-\delta}$ to more properly reflect the structure) is a notorious example of the huge impact of oxygen (non)stoichiometry. In the next lecture we will use BVS technique to look at this more precisely



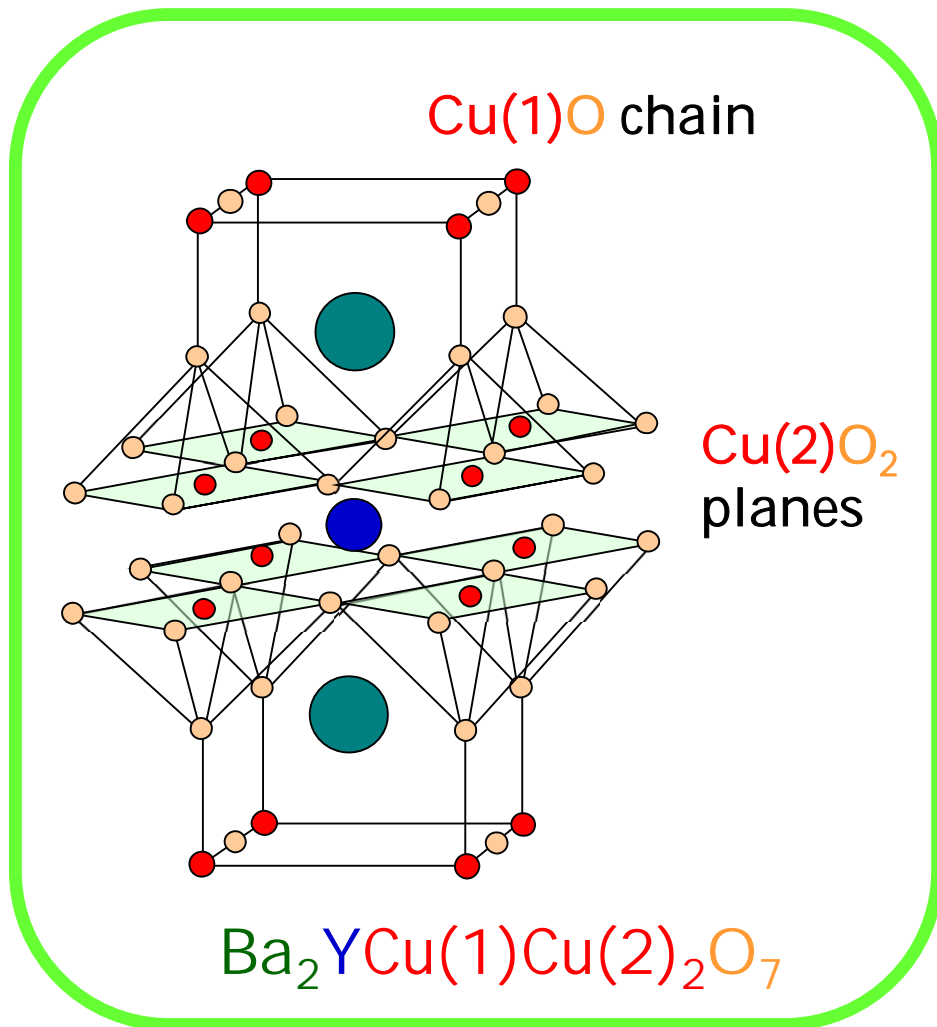
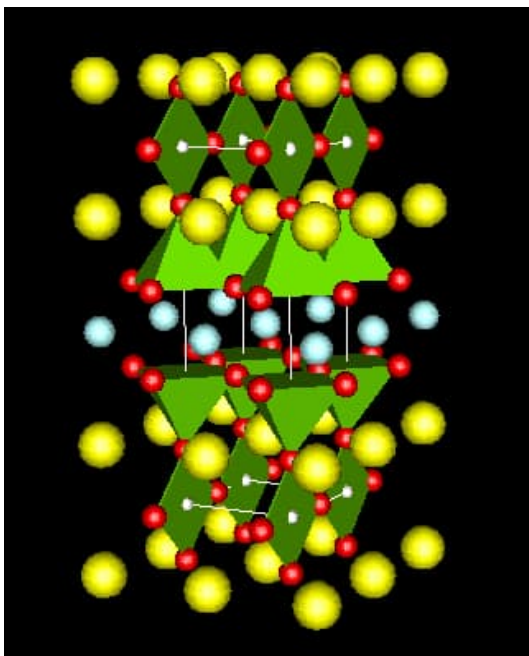
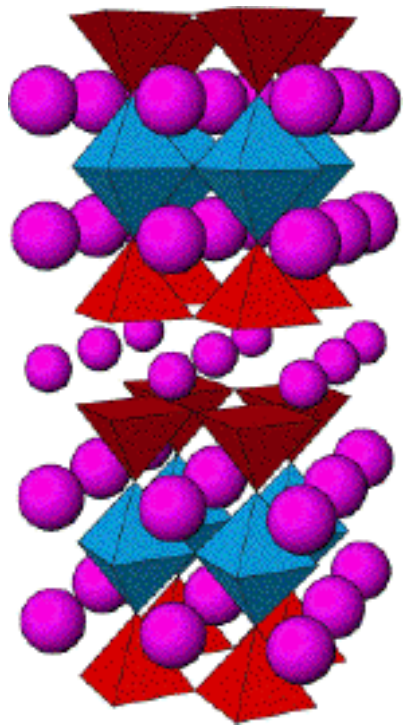
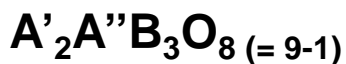
Simplified Phase Diagram of High- T_c Superconductors



Oxygen content in $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-\delta}$ controls the valence state of copper, and thereby the superconductivity (T_c value)

Illustration how the $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-\delta}$ structure is derived from the perovskite structure through cation ordering and ordered oxygen vacancies

A-site ordered &
oxygen-vacancy ordered
TRIPLE PEROVSKITE



EXERCISE 1.1.

- A. Describe shortly by words and/or drawings the following terminologies: oxygen vacancy, oxygen vacancy ordering, and occupancy factor
- B. Describe shortly by words and/or drawings the following terminologies: double perovskite and antisite defect.
- C. Why the same transition metal is smaller as a trivalent cation than as a divalent ion? Give an example with actual numbers for a transition metal of your choice.
- D. Familiarize yourself with the units: Å and nm

You can find ionic radius values at:

<http://abulafia.mt.ic.ac.uk/shannon/ptable.php>

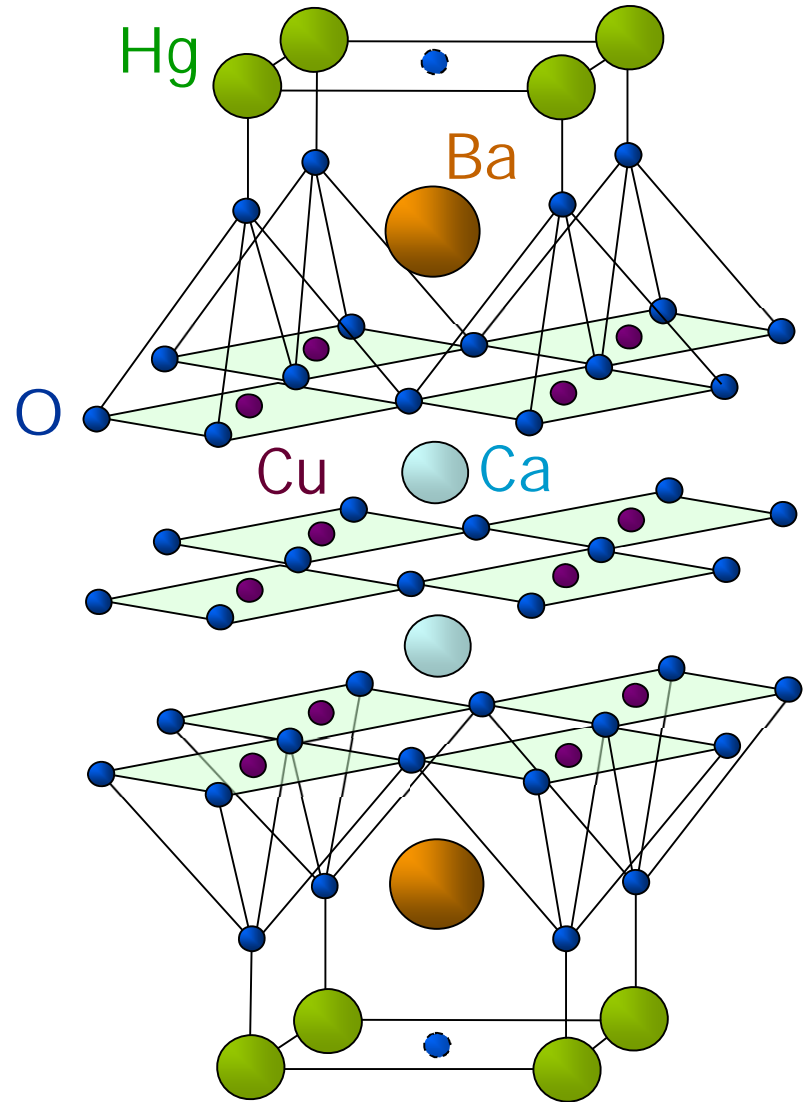
EXERCISE 1.2.

Here is the crystal structure of the highest T_c superconductor Hg-Ba-Ca-Cu-O.

A. From this structure, derive the chemical formula of the compound. (Please explain how you ended up with the formula!)

B. Do you expect fractional occupancies for any of the cation/anion sites in this structure? (Explain!)

C. Do the sizes of the balls properly reflect the ionic sizes of the different cations and anions in the structure?



EXERCISE 1.3.

- A. Search for the ionic radius values for Ca^{2+} , Ti^{4+} and O^{2-} ions, relevant to the perovskite structure (HINT: take into account the coordination numbers).
- B. Calculate the “tolerance factor” for the mineral perovskite CaTiO_3 .
- C. How well Ca and Ti match size-wise with each other considering the ideal cubic perovskite structure?
- D. To improve the match, you could as a chemist consider different modifications, for example, to control the oxygen content or to replace Ca (partly) with other alkaline earth metals. Which option you would select and why?

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EXERCISE 1.4.

- A. Calculate the “tolerance factor” for the perovskite LaMnO_3 .
- B. Based on this value, do you expect that Mn in this compound has a tendency to be reduced or oxidized? Explain!
- C. How do you think this predicted tendency could be realized in this compound? Explain!

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