

# Eðlisfræði þéttfnis I

## Dæmablað 4

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### 1. Scattering data (15)

Powder specimens of three different monatomic cubic crystals are analyzed with a Debye-Scherrer camera. It is known that one sample is face-centered cubic, one is body-centered cubic, and one has the diamond structure. The approximate positions of the first four diffraction rings ( $2\theta$ ) in each case are:

A	B	C
42.4	28.8	42.8
49.2	41.0	73.2
72.0	50.8	89.0
87.3	59.6	115.0

- Identify the crystal structures of A, B, and C
- If the wavelength of the incident X-ray beam is  $1.5 \text{ \AA}$ , what is the length of the side of the conventional cubic cell in each case ?
- If the diamond structure were replaced by a zincblende structure with a cubic unit cell of the same side, at what angles would the first four rings now occur ?

## 2. Structure factor and reflections (10)

The atomic coordinates in a lithium unit cell are (000) and (1/2 1/2 1/2), the coordinates in LiTl are Li at (000) and Tl at (1/2 1/2 1/2).

- (a) Would you expect 100 reflection from either lithium or LiTl ? Explain.
- (b) Calculate the structure factor  $S$  for lithium and for LiTl in terms of the atomic scattering factors  $f_{\text{Li}}$  and  $f_{\text{Tl}}$ .

## 3. Neon (10)

Neon can be modeled as a Lennard Jones solid with  $\mathcal{E} = 3.1$  meV and  $\sigma = 2.74$  Å.

- (a) Calculate the nearest neighbor distance for FCC neon.
- (b) Calculate the binding energy for FCC neon.

## 4. Debye-Waller factor (20)

In the early days of X-ray structure determination, people posed the following objection: Due to the thermal motion, the atoms will not be exactly at their lattice positions but rather oscillate around them. Shouldn't this destroy the sharp Bragg peaks ? To explore this question, assume that the displacement of each atom from its lattice position  $\mathbf{R}_l$  is a random vector  $\mathbf{u}_l$  with a Gaussian distribution

$$P(\mathbf{u}_l) = \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\Delta^2} \right)^{3/2} \exp \left( \frac{-\mathbf{u}_l^2}{2\Delta^2} \right)$$

Average the structure factor

$$S(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_l \exp(j\mathbf{q} \cdot (\mathbf{R}_l + \mathbf{u}_l)) \right|^2$$

Do you still find sharp Bragg peaks ? What happens to the amplitude of the peaks ?