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# MATERIALS ENGINEERING

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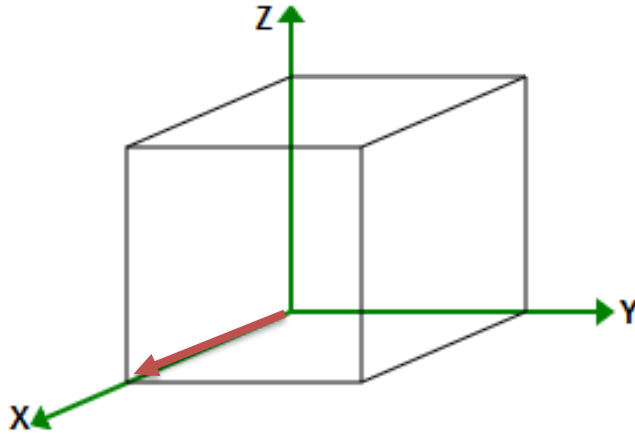


# Miller Indices

## Miller Indices for Directions

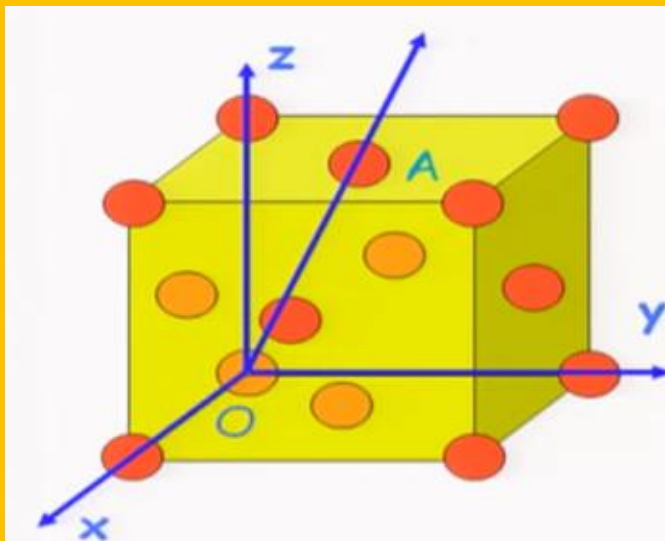
- **A vector** of convenient length is positioned such that it passes through the **origin of the coordinate system**. Any vector *may be translated throughout the crystal lattice without alteration*, if parallelism is maintained.
- The length of **the vector projection on each of the three axes** is determined; *these are measured in terms of the unit cell dimensions  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ .*
- These three numbers are multiplied or divided by a common factor to reduce them to the **smallest integer values**
- **The three indices, not separated by commas**, are enclosed in square brackets, thus:  $[uvw]$ . The  $u$ ,  $v$ , and  $w$  integers correspond to the reduced projections along the  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  axes, respectively





- Choose the origin on the direction
- Choose the co-ordinate system which is parallel to unit cell edges
- Find the point in accordance with  $a, b, c$
- For above example it is  $1a+0b+0c$
- **1 0 0**
- Reduce the co-ordinate to smallest interger 1 0 0
- Put the numbers in square bracket **[1 0 0]**





$$OA = \frac{1}{2} a + \frac{1}{2} b + 1 c$$

$$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1$$

$$[1 \ 1 \ 2]$$

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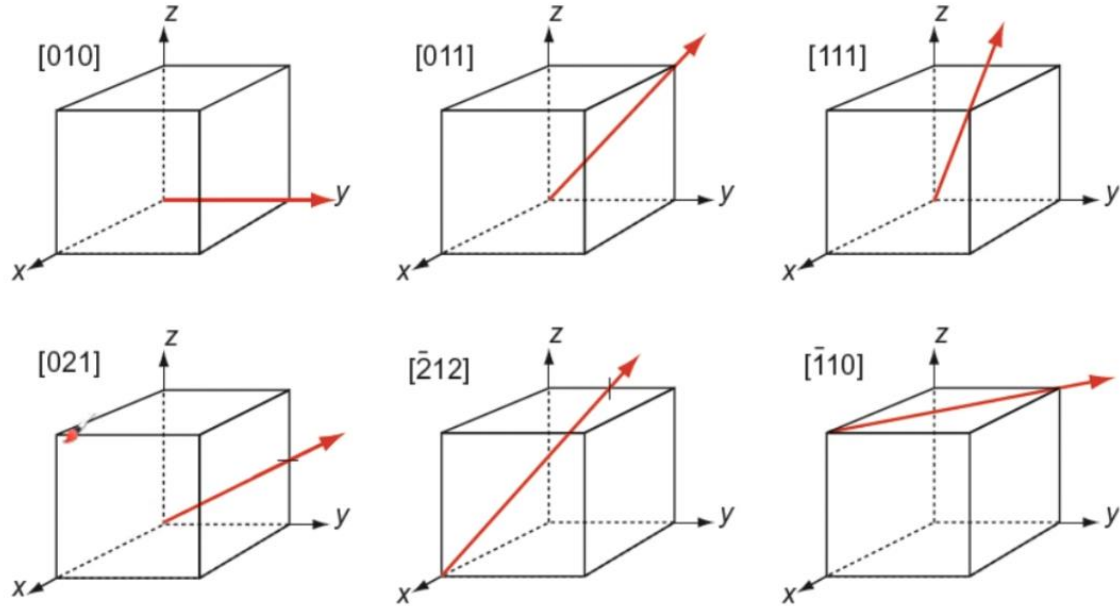
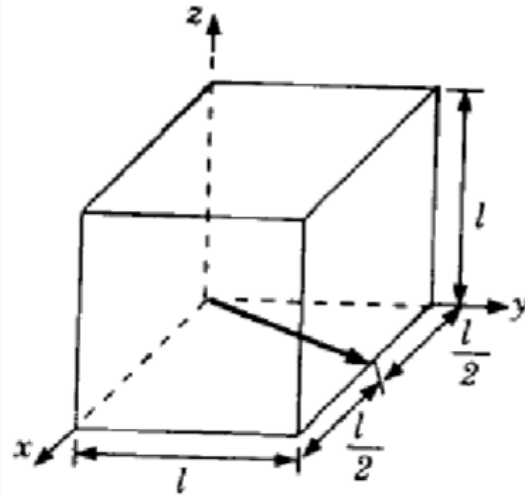


Figure GL1.9 Miller indices of directions. Always translate the direction so that it starts at the origin.



2. A unit cell of a crystal is shown in the given figure. The Miller indices of the direction (arrow) shown in the figure is



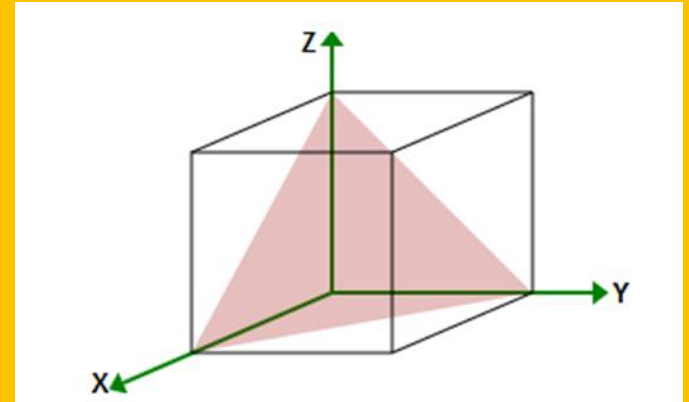
- (a)  $[0\ 1\ 2]$
- (b)  $[0\ 2\ 1]$
- (c)  $[1\ 2\ 0]$
- (d)  $[2\ 0\ 1]$

# Miller Indices for Plane

- The orientations of planes for a crystal structure are represented

Procedure to find miller indices are as follows

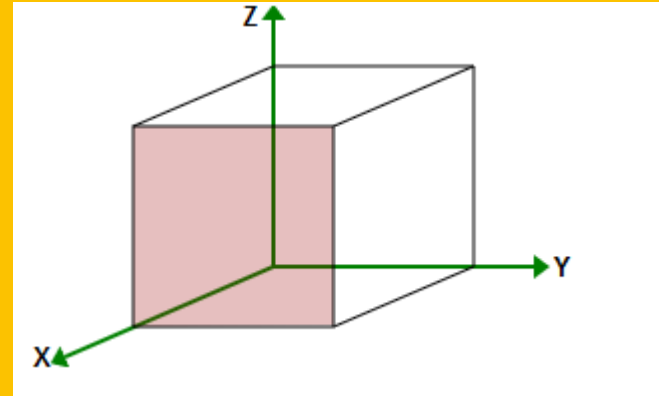
- A co-ordinate system with 3 axis and origin
- Finding the intercept of the plane let call them  $c_1, c_2, c_3$
- They are expressed in terms of axial unit  $c_1=pa, c_2=qb, c_3=rc$
- Take the reciprocal  $(1/p, 1/q, 1/r)$
- Reduce to integer
- Put in parentheses i.e.  $()$

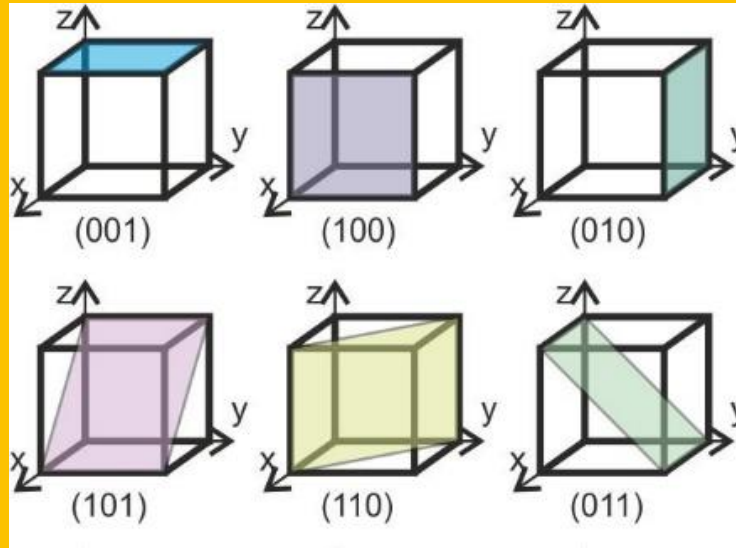


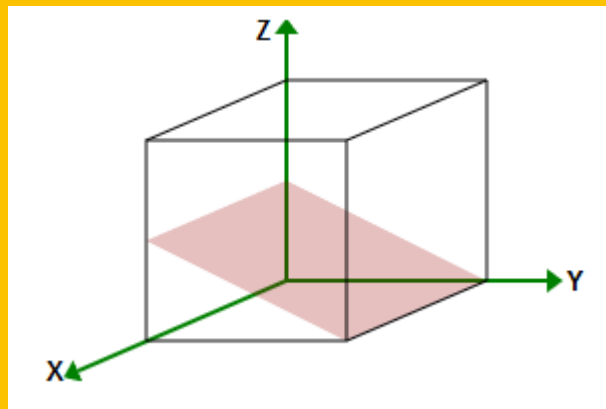


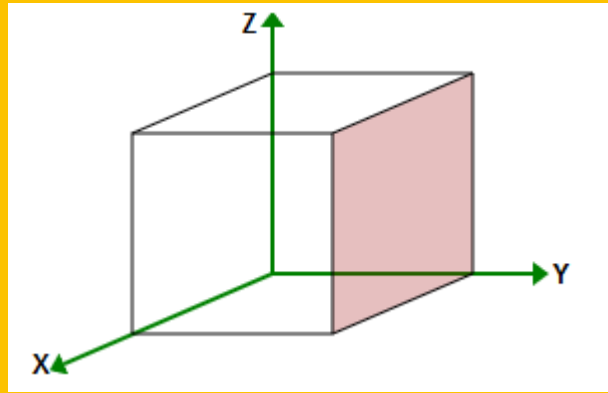
Intercepts  
Reciprocals  
Reduction  
Miller Indices

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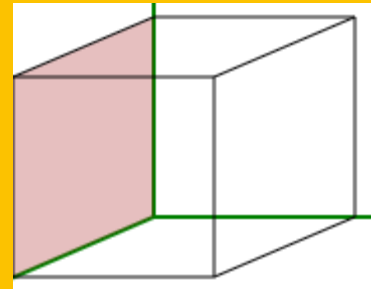


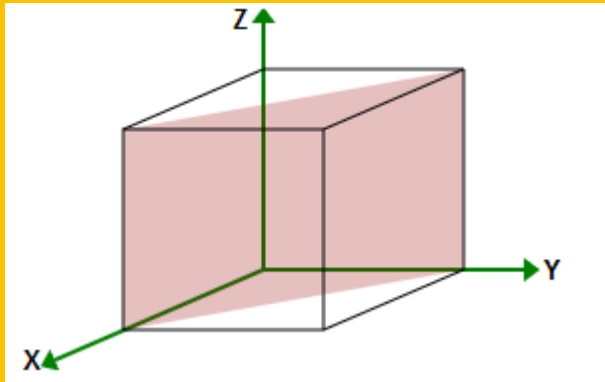
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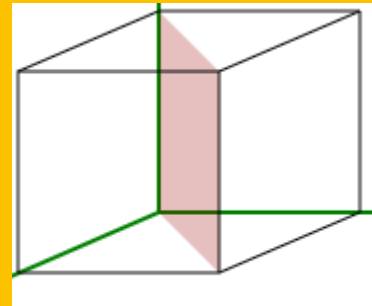
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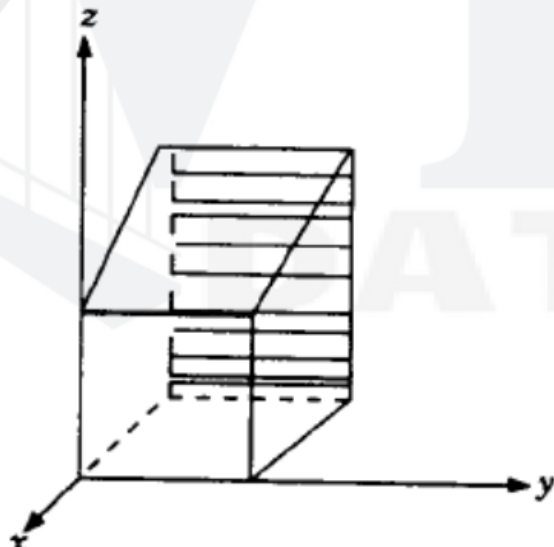
( $\bar{1}\bar{1}0$ )





IES-20. The set of Miller indices of the plane shown in the given figure is [IES-1999]

- (a)  $(\bar{1} 0 0)$       (b)  $(1 0 0)$   
(c)  $(1 0 1)$       (d)  $(1 1 0)$





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