

Self-Assessment: Crystalline Materials

Weekly Homework Quiz – Solution Outlines

Calculate the acceleration potential that will result in electron diffraction from the (311) plane of platinum (Pt) at an angle, θ , of 33.3° . The lattice constant of platinum, a , has a value of 3.92 \AA .

$$\lambda_e = 2 d_{(311)} \sin \theta = 2 \frac{a}{(h^2 + k^2 + l^2)^{1/2}} \sin \theta$$
$$= 2 \times \frac{3.92}{\sqrt{11}} \sin 33.3^\circ = 1.30 \text{ \AA}$$

$$eV = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \quad \therefore v = \sqrt{2eV/m}$$

$$\lambda_e = \frac{h}{m v} = \frac{h}{(2meV)^{1/2}}$$

$$\therefore V = \frac{h^2}{2\lambda^2 m e}$$

$$= \frac{(6.6 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2 (1.30 \times 10^{-10})^2 \times 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{88.4 \text{ V}}}$$

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