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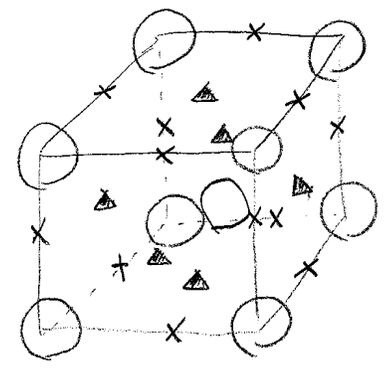
Radius of spheres = $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a$

bcc structure

Radius of the largest sphere that can be introduced at an interstitial site

$$= (a - 2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a) \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= (\frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{4}) a$$



The site is located on 12 edges of the cube (as shown x) and 6 face-centers of the cube (as shown \blacktriangle)

3.

(a) NaCl

For each Na^+ \bullet there is one Cl^- \circ , say the one along the positive x-axis. So this is (probably) the basis. If we consider only Na^+ \bullet atoms, they form a fcc lattice.

Thus :

Bravais lattice : fcc

Basis : 1 Na^+ \bullet and 1 neighboring Cl^- \circ

(Different choices are possible, ex : or or)