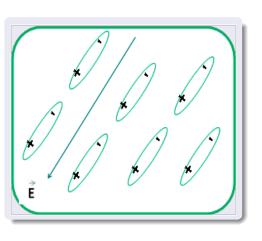
### Liquid



- Particles are spread apart
- Particles move slowly through a container

- Particles are tightly packed and close together
- Particles do move but not very much
- Definite shape and definite volume (because particles are packed closely and do not move)
- Most solids are crystals
- Crystals are made of unit cells (repeating patterns)
  - The shape of a crystal reflects the arrangement of the particles within the solid

# **Types of Solids**

- Crystalline material
- Single Crystal
- Polycrystalline
- Amorphous

# Polycrystalline material

- These ordered regions, or single crystal regions, vary in size & orientation with respect to one another.
- These regions are called grains (or domains) & are separated from one another by grain boundaries.

#### **Amorphous Solids**

 Examples of amorphous material include amorphous silicon, plastics, & glasses.

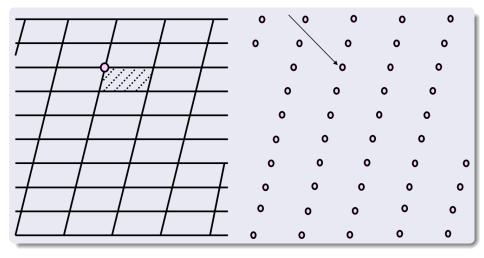
#### Symmetry properties of the lattice

# What about translation?

 Translations are restricted to only certain values to get symmetry (periodicity)

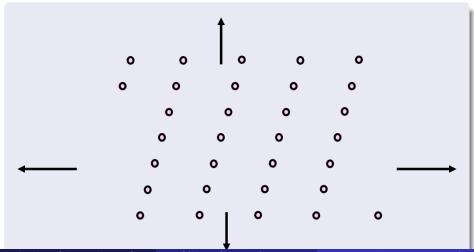


#### Each block is represented by a point



#### **LATTICE**

infinite, perfectly periodic array of points in a space



#### **Summary: Lattice structure**

 An ideal crystal is constructed by the infinite repetition of identical groups of atoms