

Ch. 12 Practice Questions on Crystal Structure

The molar volume of a certain form of solid lead is $18 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mol}$. Assuming cubic closest packed structure, determine the following:

- The number of Pb atoms per unit cell.
 - 1
 - 2
 - 4
 - 6
 - 10

- The volume of a single cell.
 - $1.20 \times 10^2 \text{ pm}^3$
 - $1.20 \times 10^4 \text{ pm}^3$
 - $1.20 \times 10^6 \text{ pm}^3$
 - $1.20 \times 10^8 \text{ pm}^3$
 - none of these

- The radius of a Pb atom.
 - 1.74 pm
 - 17.4 pm
 - 174 pm
 - 1740 pm
 - none of these

- In any cubic lattice an atom lying on an edge of a unit cell is shared equally by how many unit cells?
 - 1
 - 4
 - 6
 - 2
 - 8

5. Aluminum metal crystallizes in a face-centered cubic structure. The relationship between the radius of an Al atom (r) and the length of an edge of the unit cell (E) is:
- A) $r = E/2$
 - B) $r = \frac{E}{\sqrt{8}}$
 - C) $r = \frac{\sqrt{3}E}{4}$
 - D) $r = 2E$
 - E) $r = \sqrt{2}E$
6. You are given a small bar of an unknown metal, M. You find the density of the metal to be 10.5 g/cm^3 . An X-ray diffraction experiment measures the edge of the unit cell as 409 pm . Assuming that the metal crystallizes in a face-centered cubic lattice, what is M most likely to be?
- A) Ag
 - B) Rh
 - C) Pt
 - D) Pb
 - E) none of these
7. A metal crystallizes with a face-centered cubic lattice. The edge of the unit cell is 385 pm . The diameter of the metal atom is:
- A) 385 pm
 - B) 136 pm
 - C) 272 pm
 - D) 193 pm
 - E) none of these
8. If equal, rigid spheres are arranged in a simple cubic lattice in the usual way (i.e., in such a way that they touch each other), what fraction of the corresponding solid will be empty space? [The volume of a sphere is $(4/3)\pi r^3$, with $\pi = 3.14$.]
- A) 0.52
 - B) 0.32
 - C) 0.68
 - D) 0.48
 - E) none of these

9. The unit cell in a certain lattice consists of a cube formed by an anion at each corner, an anion in the center, and a cation at the center of each face. The unit cell contains a net:
- A) 5 anions and 6 cations
 - B) 5 anions and 3 cations
 - C) 2 anions and 3 cations
 - D) 3 anions and 4 cations
 - E) 2 anions and 2 cations

Answer Section

1. ANS: C
2. ANS: D
3. ANS: C
4. ANS: B
5. ANS: B
6. ANS: A
7. ANS: C
8. ANS: D
9. ANS: C