# Chapter - 1

## THE SOLID STATE

#### **QUESTIONS**

### **VSA QUESTIONS (1 - MARK QUESTIONS)**

- 1. What are anistropic substances.
- 2. Why are amorphous solids isotropic in nature?
- 3. Why glass is regarded as an amorphous solid?
- 4. Define the term 'crystal lattice.'
- 8. Define the term voids.
- 9. What type of stochiometric defect is shown by (i) ZnS and (ii) CsCl?

[Hint.: (i) Frenkel defect (ii) Schottky defect]

\*10. If the formula of a compound is A<sub>2</sub>B, which sites would be occupied by A ions?

[Hint.: Number of A ions is double to B ions, so ions will occupy tetrahedral voids]

- 11. What is the coordination number for
  - (a) an octahedral void
  - (b) a tetrahedral void.

[Hint.: (a) 6; (b) 4]

- \*12. How many octahedral voids are there in 1 mole of a compound having cubic closed packed structure? [Ans.: 1 mole]
- 13. Arrange simple cubic, bcc and fcc lattice in decreasing order of the fraction of the unoccupied space.

[Hint.: fcc < bcc < sc]

14. How much space is empty in a hexagonal closed packed solid?

- 15. An element crystallises separately both in hcp and ccp structure. Will the two structures have the same density? Justify your answer.
  - [Hint: Both crystal structures have same density because the percentage of occupied space is same.]
- 16. In NaCl crystal, Cl<sup>-</sup> ions form the cubic close packing. What sites are occupied by Na<sup>+</sup> ions.
- 17. In Corundum,  $O^{2-}$  ions from hcp and  $Al^{3+}$  occupy two third of octahedral voids. Determine the formula of corundum. [Ans. :  $Al_2O_3$ ]
- 18. Why is Frenkel defect not found in pure alkali metal halides?
- 19. Which point defect is observed in a crystal when a vacancy is created by an atom missing from a lattice site.
- 20. Define the term 'doping'.
- 21. Why does conductivity of silicon increase with the rise in temperature.
- 22. Name the crystal defect which lowers the density of an ionic crystal.

[Ans.: Schottky defect]

23. What makes the crystal of KCl sometimes appear violet?

[Hint: F-Centre]

- 24. Which point defect in ionic crystal does not alter the density of the relevant solid?
- 25. Name one solid in which both Frenkel and Schottky defects occur.
- 26. Which type of defects are known as thermodynamic defects?

[Ans.: Stoichiometric defects]

- 27. In a p-type semiconductor the current is said to move through holes. Explain.
- 28. Solid A is very hard, electrical insulator in solid as well as in molten state and melts at extremely high temperature. What type of solid is it?

[Hint: Covalent solid]

### SA (I) TYPE QUESTIONS (2-MARK QUESTIONS)

- 1. List four distinctions between crystalline and amorphous solids with one example of each.
- 2. Give suitable reason for the following-
  - (a) Ionic solids are hard and brittle.
  - (b) Copper is malleable and ductile.
- 3. Define F-centre. Mention its one consequence.
- 4. What is packing efficiency. Calculate the packing efficiency in body-centered cubic crystal.
- 5. Explain:
  - (a) List two differences between metallic and ionic crystals.
  - (b) Sodium chloride is hard but sodium metal is soft.
- 6. Account for the following:
  - (a) Glass objects from ancient civilizations are found to become milky in appearance.
  - (b) Window glass panes of old buildings are thicker at the bottom than at the top.
- 7. Why is graphite soft lubricant and good conductor of electricity?
- 8. What do you understand by the following types of stacking sequences :
  - (a) AB AB .....
- (b) A B CABC .....

What kind of lattices do these sequences lead to?

9. Derive the formula for the density of a crystal whose length of the edge of the unit cell is known?

$$\left[ *Hint : d = \frac{zm}{a^3 \times n_A} \right]$$

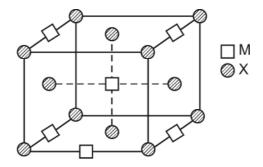
- 10. Explain how much portion of an atom is located at (a) corner (b) body centre (c) face-centre and (d) edge centre of a cubic unit cell.
- \*11. In a fcc arrangement of A and B atoms A are present at the corners of the unit cell and B are present at the face centres. If one atom of A is missing from its position at the corner, what is the formula of the compound?

[**Ans.** :  $A_7B_{24}$ ]

- \*12. A compound made up of elements 'A' and 'B' crystallises in a cubic close packed structure. Atoms A are present on the corners as well as face centres, whereas atoms B are present on the edge-centres as well as body centre. What is the formula of the compound? [Ans. AB]
- 13. Explain the terms:
  - (a) Intrinsic semiconductor
  - (b) Extrinsic semiconductor.
- 14. Explain how vacancies are introduced in a solid NaCl crystal when divalent cations are added to it.
- 15. What is meant by non-stoichiometric defect? Ionic solids which have anionic vacancies due to metal excess defect develop colour. Explain with the help of suitable example.
- 16. Define the term 'point defects' Mention the main difference between stoichiometric and non-stoichiometric point defects.

## THE SOLID STATE (2-MARK QUESTIONS)

 A compound M<sub>p</sub>X<sub>q</sub> has cubic close packing (ccp) arrangement of X. Its unit cell structure is show below :



Determine the empirical formula of the compound. [Ans: MX<sub>2</sub>]

- 18. The concentration of cation vacancies in NaCl crystal doped with CdCl<sub>2</sub> is found to be 6.02 x 10<sup>16</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>. What is the concentration of CdCl<sub>2</sub> added to it?

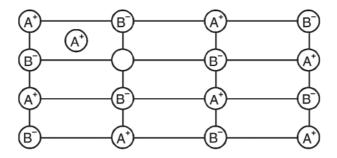
  [Ans: 10<sup>-5</sup> mol% CdCl<sub>2</sub>]
- 19. Iron changes its crystal structure from body contred to cubic close backed structure when heated to 916°C. Calculate the ratio of the density of the BCC crystal to that of CCP crystal. Assume that the metallic radius of the atom does not change. [Ans: 1]

## SA (II) TYPE QUESTIONS (3-MARK QUESTIONS)

- 1. Write the relationship between atomic radius (r) and edge length (a) of cubic unit cell for
  - (a) Simple cubic unit cell
  - (b) Body-centred cubic unit cell
  - (c) Face-centred cubic unit cell

\*Hint: (a) 
$$a = 2r$$
 (b)  $a = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}r$  (c)  $a = 2\sqrt{2}r$ 

- 2. Define a semiconductor? Describe the two main types of semiconductors when it is doped with
  - (a) group 13 element,
- (b) group 15 element.
- 3. Explain the following terms with one example each :
  - (a) Ferrimagnetism
- (b) Antiferromagnetism
- (c) 13-15 compounds
- \*4. Examine the defective crystal lattice given below and answer the following questions:



- (a) Name the crystal defect present in ionic solid.
- (b) Out of AgCl and NaCl, which is most likely to show this type of defect and why?
- (c) Why this defect is also known as dislocation defect?
- 5. Tungsten crystallizes in body centred cubic unit cell. If the edge of the unit cell is 316. 5pm, calculate the radius of tungsten atom?
- 6. Iron has a body centred cubic unit cell with a cell dimension of 286.65 pm. The density of iron is 7.874 g cm<sup>-3</sup>. Use this information to calculate Arogadro number.

(At. Mass of Fe = 55.845u).

#### **NUMERICALS**

- 1. Sodium crystallises in a bcc unit cell. What is the approximate number of unit cells in 4.6 g of sodium? Given that the atomic mass of sodium is 23 g  $\text{mol}^{-1}$ . [Ans.:  $6.022 \times 10^{22}$ ]
- \*2. In a crystalline solid anions 'C' are arranged in cubic close packing, cations 'A' occupy 50% of tetrahedral voids and cations 'B' occupy 50% of octanedral voids. What is the formula of the solid? [Ans.: A<sub>2</sub>BC<sub>2</sub>]
- \*3. Magnetite, a magnetic oxide of iron used on recording tapes, crystallises with iron atoms occupying  $\frac{1}{8}$  of the tetrahedral holes and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the octahedral holes in a closed packed array of oxides ions. What is the formula of magnetite? [Ans. : Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>]
- 4. A metal crystalises into two cubic lattices fcc and bcc, whose edge length are 3.5Å and 3.0Å respectively. Calculate the ratio of the densities of fcc and bcc lattices.
- 5. An element of atomic mass  $98.5 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$  occurs in fcc structure. If its unit cell edge length is 500 pm and its density is  $5.22 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ . Calculate the value of Avogadro constant. [Ans.:  $6.03 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ ]
- 6. An element crystallises in a cubic close packed structure having a fcc unit cell of an edge 200 pm. Calculate the density if 200 g of this element contain  $24 \times 10^{23}$  atoms. [Ans.:  $41.6 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ ]
- 7. Analysis shows that a metal oxide has a empirical formula  $M_{0.96}$ O. Calculate the percentage of  $M^{2+}$  and  $M^{3+}$  ions in this crystal.

[Ans.: 
$$M^{2+} = 91.7\%$$
,  $M^{3+} = 8.3\%$ ]

- 8. AgCl is doped with  $10^{-2}$  mol% of CdCl<sub>2</sub>, find the concentration of cation vacancies. [Ans. :  $10^{-4}$  mol]
- 9. A metallic element has a body centered cubic lattice. Edge length of unit cell is  $2.88 \times 10^{-8}$  cm. The density of the metal is 7.20 gcm<sup>-3</sup>. Calculate
  - (a) The volume of unit cell.
  - (b) Mass of unit cell.
  - (c) Number of atoms in 100 g of metal.

[Ans.: (a)  $2.39 \times 10^{-23}$  cm<sup>3</sup> (b)  $1.72 \times 10^{-22}$  g, (c)  $1.162 \times 10^{24}$  atoms]

10. Molybednum has atomic mass 96 g mol-1 with density 10.3 g/cm3. The

edge length of unit cell is 314 pm. Determine lattice structure whether simple cubic, bcc or fcc.

(Given 
$$N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$
) [Ans. :  $Z = 2$ , bcc type]

\*13. The density of copper metal is 8.95 g cm<sup>-3</sup>. If the radius of copper atom is 127 pm, is the copper unit cell a simple cubic, a body-centred cubic or a face centred cubic structure?

(Given at. mass of Cu = 63.54 g mol<sup>-1</sup> and 
$$N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23}$$
 mol<sup>-1</sup>] [Ans. :  $Z = 4$ , fcc type]

[Hint: d =  $\frac{ZM}{a^3 \times N_A}$  calculate Z/a³ by putting the values given in the question.

Calculate packing efficiency by 
$$\frac{z \times \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \times 100}{a^3}$$
 using value of

 $Z/a^3$ , which is 74%. This shows that Z = 4

14. The well known mineral fluorite is chemically calcium fluoride. It is known that in one unit cell of this mineral there are 4 Ca<sup>2+</sup> ions and 8F<sup>-</sup> ions and that Ca<sup>2+</sup> ions are arranged in a fcc lattice. The F<sup>-</sup> ions fill all the tetrahedral holes in the fcc lattice of Ca<sup>2+</sup> ions. The edge of the unit cell is  $5.46 \times 10^{-8}$  cm in length. The density of the solid is  $3.18 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ . Use this information to calculate Avogadro's number (Molar mass of CaF<sub>2</sub> =  $78.08 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$ )

[Ans.:  $6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ ]