

**SOLID STATE**

1. Atoms of metals x, y, and z form face-centred cubic (fcc) unit cell of edge length  $L_x$ , body-centred cubic (bcc) unit cell of edge length  $L_y$ , and simple cubic unit cell of edge length  $L_z$ , respectively.

If  $r_z = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}r_y$ ;  $r_y = \frac{8}{\sqrt{3}}r_x$ ;  $M_z = \frac{3}{2}M_y$  and  $M_z = 3M_x$ , then the correct statement (s) is (are)

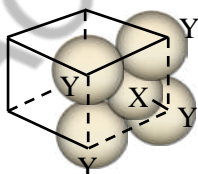
[Given :  $M_x$ ,  $M_y$ , and  $M_z$  are molar masses of metals x, y, and z, respectively.

$r_x$ ,  $r_y$ , and  $r_z$  are atomic radii of metals x, y, and z, respectively.]

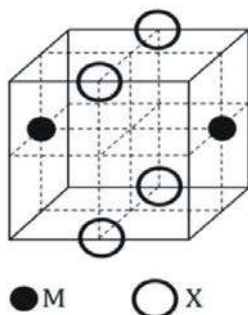
[JEE(Advanced) 2023]

- (A) Packing efficiency of unit cell of x > Packing efficiency of unit cell of y > Packing efficiency of unit cell of z  
 (B)  $L_y > L_z$   
 (C)  $L_x > L_y$   
 (D) Density of x > Density of y
2. Atom X occupies the fcc lattice sites as well as alternate tetrahedral voids of the same lattice. The packing efficiency (in %) of the resultant solid is closest to [JEE(Advanced) 2022]  
 (A) 25 (B) 35 (C) 55 (D) 75
3. For the given close packed structure of a salt made of cation X and anion Y shown below (ions of only one face are shown for clarity) , the packing fraction is approximately [JEE(Advanced) 2021]

(packing fraction =  $\frac{\text{Packing efficiency}}{100}$ )



- (A) 0.74 (B) 0.63 (C) 0.52 (D) 0.48
4. The cubic unit cell structure of a compound containing cation M and anion X is shown below. When compared to the anion, the cation has smaller ionic radius. Choose the correct statement(s). [JEE(Advanced) 2020]



- (A) The empirical formula of the compound is MX.  
 (B) The cation M and anion X have different coordination geometries.  
 (C) The ratio of M-X bond length to the cubic unit cell edge length is 0.866.  
 (D) The ratio of the ionic radii of cation M to anion X is 0.414.

5. Consider an ionic solid MX with NaCl structure. Construct a new structure (Z) whose unit cell is constructed from the unit cell of MX following the sequential instructions given below. Neglect the charge balance. [JEE(Advanced) 2018]

- (i) Remove all the anions (X) except the central one
- (ii) Replace all the face centered cations (M) by anions (X)
- (iii) Remove all the corner cations (M)
- (iv) Replace the central anion (X) with cation (M)

The value of  $\left(\frac{\text{number of anions}}{\text{number of cations}}\right)$  in Z is\_\_\_\_\_.

6. A crystalline solid of a pure substance has a face-centred cubic structure with a cell edge of 400 pm. If the density of the substance in the crystal is  $8\text{ g cm}^{-3}$ , then the number of atoms present in 256g of the crystal is  $N \times 10^{24}$ . The value of N is : [JEE(Advanced) 2017]

7. The **CORRECT** statement(s) for cubic close packed (ccp) three dimensional structure is (are)

[JEE(Advanced) 2016]

- (A) The number of the nearest neighbours of an atom present in the topmost layer is 12
- (B) The efficiency of atom packing is 74%
- (C) The number of octahedral and tetrahedral voids per atom are 1 and 2, respectively
- (D) The unit cell edge length is  $2\sqrt{2}$  times the radius of the atom

8. If the unit cell of a mineral has cubic close packed (ccp) array of oxygen atoms with m fraction of octahedral holes occupied by aluminium ions and n fraction of tetrahedral holes occupied by magnesium ions m and n respectively, are - [JEE(Advanced) 2015]

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{8}$                       (B)  $1, \frac{1}{4}$                       (C)  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$                       (D)  $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}$

SOLUTIONS

1. Ans. (A, B, D)

Sol.

Element	X	Y	Z
Packing	FCC	BCC	Primitive
Edge	$L_x$	$L_y$	$L_z$
Relation between edge length and radius	$L_x = 2\sqrt{2}r_x$	$L_y = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}r_y$	$L_z = 2r_z$
Packing fraction	$\frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}\pi}{8}$	$\frac{\pi}{6}$

$$\text{Now, } r_y = \frac{8}{\sqrt{3}}r_x \text{ \& } r_z = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}r_y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times \frac{8}{\sqrt{3}}r_x \Rightarrow r_z = 4r_x$$

$$\text{So, } L_x = 2\sqrt{2}r_x, L_y = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{8}{\sqrt{3}}r_x, L_z = 8r_x$$

$$L_x = 2\sqrt{2}r_x, L_y = \frac{32}{3}r_x, L_z = 8r_x$$

$$\text{So, } L_y > L_z > L_x$$

$$\text{Density } \frac{4M_x}{L_x^3}, \frac{2 \times M_y}{L_y^3}$$

$$\text{Now, } 3M_x = \frac{3M_y}{2} \text{ or } M_x \times 2 = M_y$$

$$\frac{\text{density (x)}}{\text{density (y)}} = \frac{4M_x}{2M_y} \times \frac{L_y^3}{L_x^3} = \frac{4M_x}{4M_x} \times \frac{\left(\frac{32}{3}\right)^3}{(2\sqrt{2})^3}$$

$$\text{Hence } d(x) > d(y)$$

2. Ans. (B)

Sol. Atom 'X' occupies FCC lattice points as well as alternate tetrahedral voids of the same lattice

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \text{th distance of body diagonal}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}a}{4} = 2r_x$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{8r_x}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Number of atoms of X per unit cell

$$= 4 \quad + \quad 4 \quad = 8$$

(FCC lattice points)                      (Alternate tetrahedral voids)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{\% packing efficiency} &= \frac{\text{Volume occupied by X}}{\text{Volume of cubic unit cell}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{8 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi (r_X)^3}{a^3} \times 100 = \frac{8 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi (r_X)^3}{\left(\frac{8r_X}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^3} \times 100 \\ &= \left(8 \times \frac{4}{3} \times \pi \times \frac{1}{8^3} \times 3\sqrt{3}\right) \times 100 = \frac{\sqrt{3}\pi}{16} \times 100 = 34\% \end{aligned}$$

Hence, option (B) is the most appropriate option

3. **Ans. (B)**

**Sol.** Packing fraction (P.F.) = 
$$\frac{1 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi r_-^3 + 3 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi r_+^3}{a^3}$$

$$\frac{r_+}{r_-} = 0.414 \text{ (square planar void), } a = 2r_-$$

We get,

$$\text{P.F.} = \frac{\frac{4}{3} \pi (r_-^3 + 3r_+^3)}{8r_-^3} = \left[ \frac{\pi}{6} (1 + 3(0.414)^3) \right] = 0.63$$

4. **Ans. (A, C)**

**Sol.** (A)  $Z_M = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$

$$Z_X = 4 \times \frac{1}{4} = 1$$

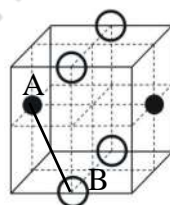
$\therefore$  Empirical formula is MX

(B) Coordinate numbers of both M and X is 8.

(C) Bond length of M – X bond

$$= AB = \sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{a}{2} = 0.866ba$$

(D)  $r_M : r_X = (\sqrt{3} - 1) : 1 = 0.732 : 1.000$



5. **Ans. (3)**

**Sol.**  $X^\ominus \Rightarrow$  O.V.

$M^+ \Rightarrow$  FCC

$M^+$

$X^-$

(i) 4

1

(ii) 4-3

3+1

(iii) 4-3-1

3+1

(iv) 1

3

$$Z = \frac{3}{1} = 3$$

6. **Ans. (2)**

**Sol.** Formula of density  $\frac{Z \times M}{N_A \times a^3}$

For FCC unit cell  $Z = 4$

Edge length  $a = 4 \times 10^{-8}$  cm

$$M = \frac{d \times N_A \times a^3}{Z} = \frac{8 \times 6 \times 10^{23} \times 64 \times 10^{-24}}{4} \text{ gm/mol}$$

$$\text{No. of atoms} = \frac{\text{wt (gm)}}{\text{molar mass}} \times N_A = \frac{256 \times 10 \times 6 \times 10^{23}}{8 \times 6 \times 16} = 2 \times 10^{24} \text{ (Value of } N = 2)$$

7. **Ans. (B, C, D)**

**Sol.** CCP is ABC ABC ..... type packing

(A) In topmost layer, each atom is in contact with 6 atoms in same layer and 3 atoms below this layer.

$$\text{(B) Packing fraction} = \frac{4 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3}{\left(\frac{4r}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^3} = (0.74)$$

(C) Each FCC unit has effective no of atoms = 4

Octahedral void = 4

Tetrahedral void = 8

(D)  $4r = a\sqrt{2}$

8. **Ans. (A)**

**Sol.** Effective number of  $O^{-2} = 4$

Effective number of  $Al^{+3} = 4$  m

Effective number of  $Mg^{+2} = 8$  m

$\Rightarrow$  By charge balance  $12m + 16n = 8$

$3m + 4n = 2$

Possible value of m and n from given equation are

$$m = \frac{1}{2}; n = \frac{1}{8}$$