CHAPTER

11

The Solid State & Surface Chemistry

Section-A JEE Advanced/ IIT-JEE

C MCQs with One Correct Answer

1. CsBr has bcc structure with edge length 4.3. The shortest inter ionic distance in between Cs^+ and Br^- is : *(1995S)*
   (a) 3.72 (b) 1.86
   (c) 7.44 (d) 4.3

2. The coordination number of a metal crystallizing in a hexagonal close-packed structure is *(1999 - 2 Marks)*
   (a) 12 (b) 4
   (c) 8 (d) 6

3. In a solid '*AB*' having the *NaCl* structure, '*A*' atoms occupy the corners of the cubic unit cell. If all the face-centered atoms along one of the axes are removed, then the resultant stoichiometry of the solid is *(2001S)*
   (a) AB_2 (b) A_2B
   (c) A_4B_3 (d) A_3B_4

4. A substance A_xB_y crystallizes in a face centred cubic (FCC) lattice in which atoms 'A' occupy each corner of the cube and atoms 'B' occupy the centres of each face of the cube. Identify the correct composition of the substance A_xB_y *(2002S)*
   (a) AB_3
   (b) A_4B_3
   (c) A_3B
   (d) Compostion cannot be specified

5. Rate of physiorption increases with *(2003S)*
   (a) decrease in temperature (b) increase in temperature
   (c) decrease in pressure (d) decrease in surface area

6. Adsorption of gases on solid surface is generally exothermic because *(2004S)*
   (a) enthalpy is positive (b) entropy decreases
   (c) entropy increases (d) free energy increases

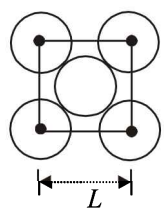
7. In which of the following crystals alternate tetrahedral voids are occupied? *(2005S)*
   (a) NaCl (b) ZnS
   (c) CaF_2 (c) Na_2O

8. Lyophilic sols are *(2005S)*
   (a) Irreversible sols
   (b) They are prepared from inorganic compound
   (c) Coagulated by adding electrolytes
   (d) Self–stabilizing

9. Among the following, the surfactant that will form micelles in aqueous solution at the lowest molar concentration at ambient condition is : – *(2008S)*
   (a) $CH_3(CH_2)_{15}N^+(CH_3)_3Br^-$
   (b) $CH_3(CH_2)_{11}OSO_3^-Na^+$
   (c) $CH_3(CH_2)_6COO^-Na^+$
   (d) $CH_3(CH_2)_{11}N^+(CH_3)_3Br^-$

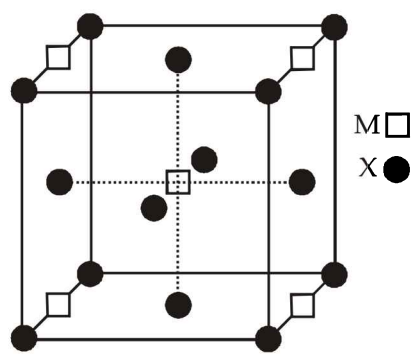
10. Among the electrolytes Na_2SO_4, $CaCl_2$, $Al_2(SO_4)_3$ and NH_4Cl, the most effective coagulating agent for Sb_2S_3 sol is *(2009S)*
    (a) Na_2SO_4 (b) $CaCl_2$
    (c) $Al_2(SO_4)_3$ (d) NH_4Cl

11. The packing efficiency of the two-dimensional square unit cell shown below is : *(2010)*



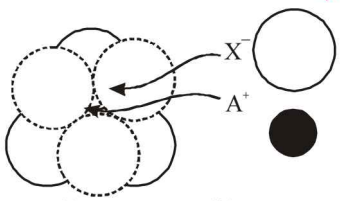
    (a) 39.27% (b) 68.02%
    (c) 74.05% (d) 78.54%

12. A compound M_pX_q has cubic close packing (ccp) arrangement of X. Its unit cell structure is shown below. The empirical formula of the compound is *(2012 - I)*



    (a) MX (b) MX_2
    (c) M_2X (d) M_5X_{14}

13. The arrangement of X^- ions around A^+ ion in solid AX is given in the figure (not drawn to scale). If the radius of X^- is 250 pm, the radius of A^+ is *(JEE Adv. 2013)*



(a) 104 pm (c) 183 pm (b) 125 pm (d) 57 pm

14. Methylene blue, from its aqueous solution, is adsorbed on activated charcoal at 25°C. For this process, the correct statement is *(JEE Adv. 2013)*

(a) The adsorption requires activation at 25°C
(b) The adsorption is accompanied by a decrease in enthalpy
(c) The adsorption increases with increase of temperature
(d) The adsorption is irreversible

D MCQs with One or More Than One Correct

1. Which of the following statement(s) is (are) correct? *(1998 - 2 Marks)*

(a) The coordination number of each type of ion in CsCl crystal is 8.
(b) A metal that crystallizes in bcc structure has a coordination number of 12.
(c) A unit cell of an inoic crystal shares some of its ions with other unit cells.
(d) The length of the unit cell in NaCl is 552 pm. (r_{Na+} = 95 pm; r_{Cl-}=181 pm).

2. The correct statement(s) regarding defects in solids is (are) *(2009S)*

(a) Frenkel defect is usually favoured by a very small difference in the sizes of cation and anion
(b) Frenkel defect is a dislocation defect
(c) Trapping of an electron in the lattice leads to the formation of F-centre
(d) Schottky defects have no effect on the physical properties of solids

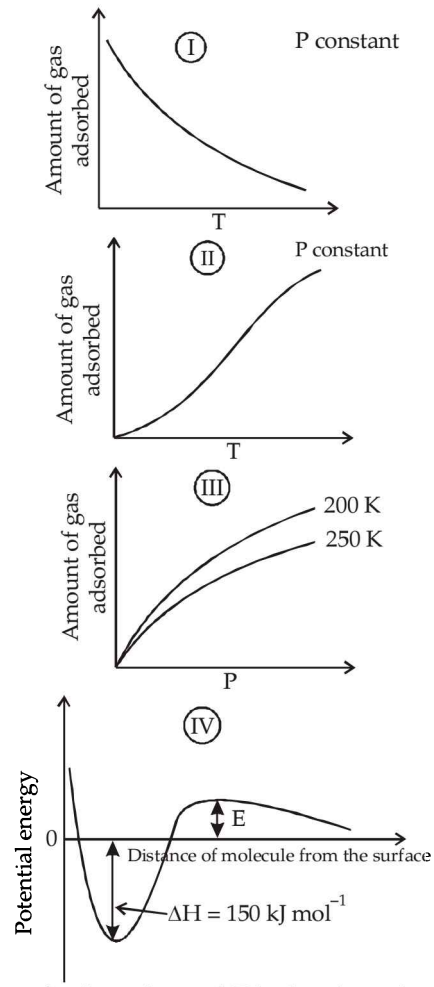
3. The correct statement(s) pertaining to the adsorption of a gas on a solid surface is (are) *(2011)*

(a) Adsorption is always exothermic
(b) Physisorption may transform into chemisorption at high temperature
(c) Physiosorption increases with increasing temperature but chemisorption decreases with increasing temperature
(d) Chemisorption is more exothermic than physiosorption, however it is very slow due to higher energy of activation

4. Choose the correct reason(s) for the stability of the **lyophobic** colloidal particles. *(2012)*

(a) Preferential adsorption of ions on their surface from the solution.
(b) Preferential adsorption of solvent on their surface from the solution.
(c) Attraction between different particles having opposite charges on their surface.
(d) Potential difference between the fixed layer and the diffused layer of opposite charges around the colloidal particles.

5. The given graphs/data I, II, III and IV represent general trends observed for different physisorption and chemisorption processes under mild conditions of temperature and presure. Which of the following choice(s) about I, II, III and IV is (are) correct ? *(2012)*



(a) I is physisorption and II is chemisorption
(b) I is physisorption and III is chemisorption
(c) IV is chemisorption and II is chemisorption
(d) IV is chemisorption and III is chemisorption

6. 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 Adv. 2015)*

(a) $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{8}$ (b) $1, \frac{1}{4}$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}$

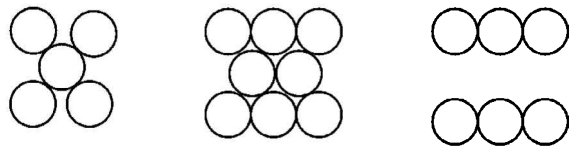
7. When O_2 is adsorbed on a metallic surface, electron transfer occurs from the metal to O_2. The true statement(s) regarding this adsorption is(are) *(JEE Adv. 2015)*

(a) O_2 is physisorbed
(b) Heat is released
(c) Occupancy of π^*_{2p} of O_2 is increased
(d) Bond length of O_2 is increased

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

E Subjective Problems

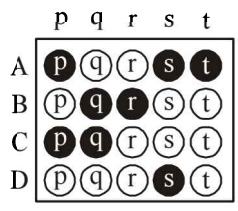
1. The density of mercury is 13.6 g/ml. Calculate approximately the diameter of an atom of mercury assuming that each atom is occupying a cube of edge length equal to the diameter of the mercury atom. ***(1983 - 3 Marks)***
2. Sodium metal crystallizes in body centred cubic lattice with the cell edge, $a = 4.29$Å. What is the radius of sodium atom? ***(1994 - 2 Marks)***
3. A metallic element crystallises into a lattice containing a sequence of layers of ABABAB..... Any packing of spheres leaves out voids in the lattice. What percentage by volume of this lattice is empty space? ***(1996 - 3 Marks)***
4. Chromium metal crystallizes with a body centred cubic lattice. The length of the unit cell edge is found to be 287 pm. Calculate the atomic radius. What would be the density of chromium in g/cm^3? ***(1997 - 3 Marks)***
5. A metal crystallises into two cubic phases, face centered cubic (FCC) and body centred cubic (BCC), whose unit cell lengths are 3.5 and 3.0 Å, respectively, Calculate the ratio of densities of FCC and BCC. ***(1999 - 3 Marks)***
6. The figures given below show the location of atoms in three crystallographic planes in a FCC lattice. Draw the unit cell for the corresponding structure and identify these planes in your diagram. ***(2000 - 3 Marks)***



7. You are given marbles of diameter 10 mm. They are to be placed such that their centres are lying in a square bound by four lines each of length 40 mm. What will be the arrangements of marbles in a plane so that maximum number of marbles can be placed inside the area? Sketch the diagram and derive expression for the number of molecules per unit area. ***(2003 - 2 Marks)***
8. 1 gm of charcoal adsorbs 100 ml 0.5 M CH_3COOH to form a monolayer, and thereby the molarity of CH_3COOH reduces to 0.49. Calculate the surface area of the charcoal adsorbed by each molecule of acetic acid. Surface area of charcoal = 3.01×10^2 m^2/gm. ***(2003 - 2 Marks)***
9. A compound AB has rock salt type structure. The formula weight of AB is 6.023 Y amu, and the closest A – B distance is $Y^{1/3}$ nm, where Y is an arbitrary number. ***(2004 - 2 Marks)***
   (a) Find the density of lattice
   (b) If the density of lattice is found to be 20 kg m^{-3}, then predict the type of defect.
10. In face centred cubic (fcc) crystal lattice, edge length is 400 pm. Find the diameter of greatest sphere which can be fit into the interstitial void without distortion of lattice. ***(2005 - 2 Marks)***
11. 20% of surface sites are occupied by N_2 molecules. The density of surface site is 6.023×10^{14} cm^{-2} and total surface area is 1000 cm^2. The catalyst is heated to 300 K while N_2 is completely desorbed into a pressure of 0.001 atm and volume of 2.46 cm^3. Find the number of active sites occupied by each N_2 molecule. ***(2005 - 4 Marks)***
12. The edge length of unit cell of a metal having molecular weight 75 g/mol is 5Å which crystallizes in cubic lattice. If the density is 2 g/cc then find the radius of metal atom ($N_A = 6 \times 10^{23}$). Give the answer in pm. ***(2006 - 6M)***

F Match the Following

Each question contains statements given in two columns, which have to be matched. The statements in Column-I are labelled A, B, C and D, while the statements in Column-II are labelled p, q, r, s and t. Any given statement in Column-I can have correct matching with ONE OR MORE statement(s) in Column-II. The appropriate bubbles corresponding to the answers to these questions have to be darkened as illustrated in the following example :
If the correct matches are A-p, s and t; B-q and r; C-p and q; and D-s then the correct darkening of bubbles will look like the given.



1. Match the crystal system/unit cells mentioned in Column I with their characteristic features mentioned in Column II. Indicate your answer by darkening the appropriate bubbles of the 4 × 4 matrix given in the ORS. ***(2007)***

Column I	**Column II**
(A) Simple cubic and face-centered cubic parameters	(p) have these parameters, a = b = c and $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$
(B) cubic and rhombohedral	(q) are two crystal systems
(C) cubic and tetragonal	(r) have only two crystallo-graphic angles of 90°
(D) hexagonal and monoclinic	(s) belong to same crystal system

G Comprehension Based Questions

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In hexagonal systems of crystals, a frequently encountered arrangement of atoms is described as a hexagonal prism. Here, the top and bottom of the cell are regular hexagons and three atoms are sandwiched in between them. A space-filling model of this structure, called hexagonal close-packed (HCP), is constituted of a sphere on a flat surface surrounded in the same plane by six identical spheres as closely as possible. There spheres are then placed over the first layer so that they touch each other and represent the second layer. Each one of these three spheres touches three spheres of the bottom layer. Finally, the second layer is covered with third layer that is identical to the bottom layer in relative position. Assume radius of every sphere to be 'r'.

Answer the following questions -

1. The number of atoms in the HCP unit cell is *(2008)*
   (a) 4 (b) 6
   (c) 12 (d) 17
2. The volume of this HCP unit cell is – *(2008)*
   (a) $24\sqrt{2}r^3$ (b) $16\sqrt{2}r^3$
   (c) $12\sqrt{2}r^3$ (d) $\frac{64}{3\sqrt{3}}r^3$
3. The empty space in this HCP unit cell is *(2008)*
   (a) 74% (b) 47.6%
   (c) 32% (d) 26%

H Assertion & Reason Type Questions

Read the following statement (Assertion) and explanation (Reason) and answer each question as per the options given below :

(a) If both *assertion* and *reason* are correct, and *reason* is the correct explanation of the *assertion*.
(b) If both *assertion* and *reason* are correct, but *reason* is not the correct explanation of the *assertion*.
(c) If *assertion* is correct but *reason* is incorrect.
(d) If *assertion* is incorrect but *reason* is correct.

1. **Assertion :** In any ionic solid [MX] with Schottky defects, the number of positive and negative ions are same.
   Reason : Equal number of cation and anion vacancies are present. *(2001S)*
2. **Assertion :** Micelles are formed by surfactant molecules above the critical micellar concentration (CMC).
   Reason : The conductivity of a solution having surfactant molecules decreases sharply at the CMC. *(2007)*

I Integer Value Correct Type

1. The number of hexagonal faces that are present in a truncated octahedron is *(2011)*

Section-B JEE Main / AIEEE

1. The formation of gas at the surface of tungsten due to adsorption is the reaction of order **[2002]**
   (a) 0 (b) 1
   (c) 2 (d) insufficient data.
2. Na and Mg crystallize in BCC and FCC type crystals respectively, then the number of atoms of Na and Mg present in the unit cell of their respective crystal is
   (a) 4 and 2 (b) 9 and 14 **[2002]**
   (c) 14 and 9 (d) 2 and 4.
3. How many unit cells are present in a cube-shaped ideal crystal of NaCl of mass 1.00 g ? **[2003]**
   [Atomic masses : Na = 23, Cl = 35.5]
   (a) 5.14×10^{21} unit cells (b) 1.28×10^{21} unit cells
   (c) 1.71×10^{21} unit cells (d) 2.57×10^{21} unit cells
4. Which one of the following characteristics is **not** correct for physical adsorption ? **[2003]**
   (a) Adsorption increases with increase in temperature
   (b) Adsorption is spontaneous
   (c) Both enthalpy and entropy of adsorption are negative
   (d) Adsorption on solids is reversible
5. What type of crystal defect is indicated in the diagram below?

   $Na^+Cl^-Na^+Cl^-Na^+Cl^-$
   $Cl^-\square\ Cl^-Na^+\square\ Na^+$
   $Na^+Cl^-\square Cl^-Na^+Cl^-$
   $Cl^-Na^+Cl^-Na^+\square\ Na^+$ **[2004]**

   (a) Interstitial defect
   (b) Schottky defect
   (c) Frenkel defect
   (d) Frenkel and Schottky defects
6. Identify the correct statement regarding enzymes **[2004]**
   (a) Enzymes are specific biological catalysts that cannot be poisoned
   (b) Enzymes are normally heterogeneous catalysts that are very specific in their action
   (c) Enzymes are specific biological catalysts that can normally function at very high temperatures (T~1000K)
   (d) Enzymes are specific biological catalysts that possess well-defined active sites

7. An ionic compound has a unit cell consisting of A ions at the corners of a cube and B ions on the centres of the faces of the cube. The empirical formula for this compound would be **[2005]**

(a) A_3B (b) AB_3

(c) A_2B (d) AB

8. The volume of a colloidal particle, V_C as compared to the volume of a solute particle in a true solution V_S, could be

(a) $\frac{V_C}{V_S} \simeq 10^3$ (b) $\frac{V_C}{V_S} \simeq 10^{-3}$ **[2005]**

(c) $\frac{V_C}{V_S} \simeq 10^{23}$ (d) $\frac{V_C}{V_S} \simeq 1$

9. The disperse phase in colloidal iron (III) hydroxide and colloidal gold is positively and negatively charged, respectively. Which of the following statements is NOT correct ? **[2005]**

(a) Coagulation in both sols can be brought about by electrophoresis

(b) Mixing the sols has no effect

(c) Sodium sulphate solution causes coagulation in both sols

(d) Magnesium chloride solution coagulates, the gold sol more readily than the iron (III) hydroxide sol

10. Total volume of atoms present in a face-centred cubic unit cell of a metal is (r is atomic radius) **[2006]**

(a) $\frac{12}{3}\pi r^3$ (b) $\frac{16}{3}\pi r^3$

(c) $\frac{20}{3}\pi r^3$ (d) $\frac{24}{3}\pi r^3$

11. In Langmuir's model of adsorption of a gas on a solid surface **[2006]**

(a) the mass of gas striking a given area of surface is proportional to the pressure of the gas

(b) the mass of gas striking a given area of surface is independent of the pressure of the gas

(c) the rate of dissociation of adsorbed molecules from the surface does not depend on the surface covered

(d) the adsorption at a single site on the surface may involve multiple molecules at the same time

12. In a compound, atoms of element Y form ccp lattice and those of element X occupy 2/3rd of tetrahedral voids. The formula of the compound will be **[2008]**

(a) X_4Y_3 (b) X_2Y_3

(c) X_2Y (d) X_3Y_4

13. Gold numbers of protective colloids A, B, C and D are 0.50, 0.01, 0.10 amd 0.005, respectively. the correct order of their protective powers is **[2008]**

(a) D<A<C<B (b) C<B<D<A

(c) A< C<B<D (d) B<D<A<C

14. Which of the following statements is incorrect regarding physissorptions? **[2009]**

(a) More easily liquefiable gases are adsorbed readily.

(b) Under high pressure it results into multi molecular layer on adsorbent surface.

(c) Enthalpy of adsorption ($\Delta H_{adsorption}$) is low and positive.

(d) It occurs because of van der Waal's forces.

15. Copper crystallises in *fcc* with a unit cell length of 361 pm. What is the radius of copper atom? **[2009]**

(a) 127 pm (b) 157 pm

(c) 181 pm (d) 108 pm

16. The edge length of a face centered cubic cell of an ionic substance is 508 pm. If the radius of the cation is 110 pm, the radius of the anion is **[2010]**

(a) 288 pm (b) 398 pm

(c) 618 pm (d) 144 pm

17. Percentages of free space in cubic close packed structure and in body centered packed structure are respectively **[2010]**

(a) 30% and 26% (b) 26% and 32%

(c) 32% and 48% (d) 48% and 26%

18. In a face centred cubic lattice, atom A occupies the corner positions and atom B occupies the face centre positions. If one atom of B is missing from one of the face centred points, the formula of the compound is : **[2011]**

(a) A_2B (b) AB_2

(c) A_2B_3 (d) A_2B_5

19. Lithium forms body centred cubic structure. The length of the side of its unit cell is 351 pm. Atomic radius of the lithium will be : **[2012]**

(a) 75 pm (b) 300 pm

(c) 240 pm (d) 152 pm

20. According to Freundlich adsorption isotherm which of the following is correct? **[2012]**

(a) $\frac{x}{m} \propto p^0$

(b) $\frac{x}{m} \propto p^1$

(c) $\frac{x}{m} \propto p^{1/n}$

(d) All the above are correct for different ranges of pressure

21. Which of the following exists as covalent crystals in the solid state ? **[JEE M 2013]**

(a) Iodine

(b) Silicon

(c) Sulphur

(d) Phosphorus

22. The coagulating power of electrolytes having ions Na^+, Al^{3+} and Ba^{2+} for arsenic sulphide sol increases in the order : **[JEE M 2013]**

(a) $Al^{3+} < Ba^{2+} < Na^+$ (b) $Na^+ < Ba^{2+} < Al^{3+}$

(c) $Ba^{2+} < Na^+ < Al^{3+}$ (d) $Al^{3+} < Na^+ < Ba^{2+}$

23. CsCl crystallises in body centred cubic lattice. If 'a' is its edge length then which of the following expressions is correct? **[JEE M 2014]**

(a) $r_{Cs^+} + r_{Cl^-} = 3a$ (b) $r_{Cs^+} + r_{Cl^-} = \frac{3a}{2}$

(c) $r_{Cs^+} + r_{Cl^-} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a$ (d) $r_{Cs^+} + r_{Cl^-} = \sqrt{3}a$

24. Sodium metal crystallizes in a body centred cubic lattice with a unit cell edge of 4.29Å. The radius of sodium atom is approximately : **[JEE M 2015]**

(a) 5.72Å (b) 0.93Å

(c) 1.86Å (d) 3.22Å

25. 3 g of activated charcoal was added to 50 mL of acetic acid solution (0.06N) in a flask. After an hour it was filtered and the strength of the filtrate was found to be 0.042 N. The amount of acetic acid adsorbed (per gram of charcoal) is : **[JEE M 2015]**

(a) 42 mg (b) 54 mg

(c) 18 mg (d) 36 mg

26. For a linear plot of log (x/m) versus log p in a Freundlich adsorption isotherm, which of the following statements is correct? (k and n are constants) **[JEE M 2016]**

(a) Only $1/n$ appears as the slope.

(b) $\log(1/n)$ appears as the intercept.

(c) Both k and $1/n$ appear in the slope term.

(d) $1/n$ appears as the intercept.