

Worksheet

(Chapter 3 Crystal Binding)

- Q1. The potential energy of a diatomic molecule in terms of inter atomic distance R is given by

$$U(R) = -\frac{A}{R^m} + \frac{B}{R^n},$$

where A, B, m and n are constants characteristics for the MX -molecules. Attractive and repulsive exponents are related through:

- (a) $n \ll m$ (b) $n < m$ (c) $n > m$ (d) $n \gg m$

- Q2. The potential energy of a diatomic molecule in terms inter atomic distance R is given by

$$U(R) = -\frac{A}{R^m} + \frac{B}{R^n},$$

where A, B, m and n are constant characteristics for the MX - molecules. The equilibrium separation R_e , is obtained as:

- (a) $\left(\frac{nA}{mB}\right)^{\frac{1}{n-m}}$ (b) $\left(\frac{nA}{mB}\right)^{\frac{1}{m-n}}$ (c) $\left(\frac{nB}{mA}\right)^{\frac{1}{m-n}}$ (d) $\left(\frac{nB}{mA}\right)^{\frac{1}{n-m}}$

- Q3. The potential energy of a diatomic molecule in terms of inter atomic separation R is given by

$$U(R) = -\frac{\alpha}{R^4} + \frac{\beta}{R^{12}}$$

The equilibrium separation is obtained as:

- (a) $(3\beta/\alpha)^{1/8}$ (b) $(3\beta/\alpha)^{1/6}$ (c) $(3\beta/\alpha)^{1/4}$ (d) $(3\beta/\alpha)^{1/2}$

- Q4. The potential energy of a system of two atoms is given by

$$U = -\frac{A}{R^6} + \frac{B}{R^{12}}$$

If the atoms form a stable bond with bond length 3\AA and the bond energy 1.8eV the value of the constant A is:

- (a) $1.9 \times 10^{-76} \text{Jm}^6$ (b) $2.9 \times 10^{-76} \text{Jm}^6$ (c) $3.9 \times 10^{-76} \text{Jm}^6$ (d) $4.9 \times 10^{-76} \text{Jm}^6$

- Q5. The potential energy of a system of two atoms is given by

$$U(R) = -\frac{A}{R^6} + \frac{B}{R^{12}}$$

If the atoms form a stable bond with bond length 3\AA and the bond energy 1.8eV the critical separation R_c is obtained as:

- (a) 1.33 \AA (b) 2.33 \AA (c) 3.33 \AA (d) 4.33 \AA
- Q6. If the equilibrium separation between cesium and chlorine atoms is 3.56 \AA , $A=1.76$ and $n=11.5$, the potential energy of CsCl at equilibrium is:
 (a) -2.5 eV (b) -4.5 eV (c) -6.5 eV (d) -8.5 eV
- Q7. A pair of Li^+ and Cl^- ion with their radii 0.60 \AA and 1.81 \AA touch each other, the attractive force between them is:
 (a) $1.96 \times 10^{-9} \text{ N}$ (b) $2.96 \times 10^{-9} \text{ N}$ (c) $3.96 \times 10^{-9} \text{ N}$ (d) $4.96 \times 10^{-9} \text{ N}$
- Q8. Show that the Madelung constant A for an infinite linear chain of ions of alternating charge at an equilibrium separation R_e is:
 (a) 0.3863 (b) 1.3863 (c) 2.3863 (d) 3.3863
- Q9. Show that the potential energy of two particles in stable configuration (at equilibrium) with $m=2$ and $n=10$ is equal to:
 (a) $-\frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{A}{R_e^2} \right)$ (b) $-\frac{2}{5} \left(\frac{A}{R_e^2} \right)$ (c) $-\frac{3}{5} \left(\frac{A}{R_e^2} \right)$ (d) $-\frac{4}{5} \left(\frac{A}{R_e^2} \right)$
- Q10. Assume a repulsive potential of the form B/R^9 acts between the neighboring ions of NaCl . If the nearest neighbor distance is 2.81 \AA and the Madelung constant is 1.7476 , the compressibility NaCl is
 (a) $2.48 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^2 \text{ N}$ (b) $3.48 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^2 \text{ N}$ (c) $4.48 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^2 \text{ N}$ (d) $5.48 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^2 \text{ N}$