



## XII

### Chemistry

#### Ch. 1: The Solid state

#### Important formulae & Concepts

- Number of atoms in different unit cells:
  - Primitive unit cell: 1 atom
  - Face centred unit cell: 4 atoms
  - Body centred unit cell: 2 atoms
- Let the number of close packed spheres = N  
 Number of octahedral voids generated = N  
 Number of tetrahedral voids generated = 2N
- Packing efficiency is the percentage of total space occupied by constituent particles (atoms, molecules or ions).

$$\text{Packing efficiency} = \frac{\text{Volume occupied by spheres in the unit cell}}{\text{Total volume of unit cell}} \times 100\%$$

- Packing efficiency for face centred cubic unit cell = 74%
  - Packing efficiency for body centred cubic unit cell = 68%
  - Packing efficiency for simple cubic unit cell = 52.4%
- Relationship between radius of constituent particle (r) and edge length(a):
    - Simple cubic unit cell:  $a = 2r$
    - Face centred unit cell:  $a = 2\sqrt{2}r$
    - Body centred unit cell:  $a = \frac{4r}{\sqrt{3}}$
  - Volume of a unit cell = (edge length)<sup>3</sup> = a<sup>3</sup>
    - Simple cubic unit cell: Volume = (2r)<sup>3</sup>
    - Face centred unit cell: Volume = (2√2 r)<sup>3</sup>
    - Body centred unit cell: Volume = (4r/√3)<sup>3</sup>
  - Number of atoms in a unit cell (z):
    - Simple cubic unit cell: z = 1
    - Face centred unit cell: z = 4
    - Body centred unit cell: z = 2



7. Density of unit cell:

$$\text{Density of unit cell} = \frac{zM}{a^3 \cdot N_A}$$