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MID-TERM EXAMINATION

Time: 50 min.

MSE 170

Spring Quarter 2009

1(a). The cubic unit cell of MgO which is 0.42-nm along each edge contains 4 Mg<sup>2+</sup> ions and 4 O<sup>2-</sup> ions. Show that the density of MgO is 3.6 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (or 3600 kg/m<sup>3</sup>); it is well to note that the atomic weights are: Mg 24.305 (g per mole) and O 16 (g per mole). For the Avogadro's number, you may use N<sub>A</sub> = 6.022x10<sup>23</sup> molecules per mole.

1(b). The energy required to break the covalent bond between carbon and nitrogen is 5x10<sup>-19</sup> J. What would be the wavelength ( $\lambda$ ) of the photon that can furnish this energy ? The Planck's constant (h) = 6.6256x10<sup>-34</sup> J.sec and the speed of light (c) is 3x10<sup>8</sup> m/sec.

2(a). Show in a tabular form (or otherwise) the relationship between atomic radius (R) and the unit cell dimension (lattice-parameter, a) for the face centered, body centered, and the simple cubic crystals, respectively. Assume one atom per lattice-site.

2(b). Calculate the number of atoms per m<sup>2</sup> on a (100) plane of copper; make a similar calculation for the (110) plane of copper. The lattice-parameter (a) is 0.3615-nm for Cu.

2(c) Gold has an FCC crystal structure with a lattice parameter of 0.407-nm. Calculate the Bragg angle  $\theta$  for the (112) diffraction peak when using X-rays with a wavelength  $\lambda$  of 0.1-nm.

3(a). What should be the concentration-gradient for nickel in iron to obtain a diffusion-rate (flux) of 10<sup>7</sup> atoms/cm<sup>2</sup>.sec at 1300°K ? The coefficient of diffusion for Ni in Fe is: D = 0.77exp (- 33716/T) cm<sup>2</sup>/sec. Assume that D is independent of concentration.

3(b). What is the composition in weight-percent of a Pt-Cu alloy consisting of 95 atom% Pt and 5 atom% Cu ? The respective atomic weights are: Pt 195.09 and Cu 63.54.

4(a). If the critical resolved shear stress ( $\tau_c$ ) for yielding in aluminum is 0.24 MPa, find the tensile stress ( $\sigma_c$ ) that must be applied in order to produce yielding when the tensile axis is [001]. For the FCC crystal, slip occurs on (111) plane along the [011] direction.

4(b). The Hall-Petch equation,  $\sigma_y = \sigma_o + k_y[d]^{-1/2}$ , links the yield stress  $\sigma_y$  with the grain-size d for polycrystalline solids. For an Fe-B alloy, it was found that  $\sigma_y = 196$  MPa at  $d = 0.0625$  mm and  $\sigma_y = 314$  MPa for  $d = 0.0156$  mm, respectively. Use these data to estimate the yield stress for a grain-size of  $d = 0.0278$  mm.

4(c). Show that the true stress ( $\sigma_{tr}$ ) during plastic deformation of a tensile specimen can be related to the nominal or engineering stress ( $\sigma$ ) by the equation  $\sigma_{tr} = \sigma(1 + \varepsilon)$ , where  $\varepsilon$  is strain. Assume that the volume of the specimen remains constant.

In questions #2 and #4, you have the choice of completing any two of the three (a,b,c).

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Mid-term Examination :

total : 80 points

1(a) - 10

1(b) - 10

2(a) - 10

2(b) - 10

2(c) - 10

only two

3(a) - 10

3(b) - 10

4(a) - 10

4(b) - 10

4(c) - 10

only two

Policy :

1. Procedure is correct ; numerical result  
is incorrect (give at least 5 pts.)

2. Error in calculation : remove 2 points  
(see example).

3. NO points off for incorrect units

$$1(a). \text{ mass of } 4\text{Mg}^{2+} \text{ and } 4\text{O}^{2-} = \frac{4(24.305 + 16)}{N_A} = 2.677 \times 10^{-22} \text{ g}$$

$$\text{density} = \frac{\text{mass}}{a^3} = \frac{2.677 \times 10^{-22} \text{ g}}{(0.42 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm})^3} = 3.614 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$1(b). h\nu = 5 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J} ; \nu = \text{frequency}$$

$$\nu = \frac{5 \times 10^{-19}}{h} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}}{6.6256 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J-s}} = 7.547 \times 10^{14} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{wave-length, } \lambda = \frac{c}{\nu} = \frac{3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{7.547 \times 10^{14} \text{ s}^{-1}} = 3.975 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \\ (= 397.5-\text{nm})$$

$$2(a). \text{ FCC: } R + 2R + R = a\sqrt{2} ; a = 2\sqrt{2} R$$

$$\text{BCC: } R + 2R + R = a\sqrt{3} ; a = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} R$$

$$\text{Simple cubic: } R + R = a ; a = 2R$$

2(b). Cu is face-centered-cubic.

$$(100) \text{ plane: number of atoms, } n = 4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 1 = 2$$

$$\text{planar density} = \frac{n}{a^2} = \frac{2}{(0.3615 \times 10^{-9})^2} = 15.3 \times 10^{18} \frac{\text{atoms}}{\text{m}^2}$$

(110) plane:

$$n = 4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2 ; \text{ area} = a(a\sqrt{2})$$

$$\text{planar density} = \frac{2}{(0.3615 \times 10^{-9})^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 10.82 \times 10^{18} \frac{\text{atoms}}{\text{m}^2}$$

$$2(c). \text{ Bragg's law: } n\lambda = 2d \sin\theta$$

$$\text{For } n=1: \sin\theta = \frac{\lambda}{2d}$$

$$d_{112} = \frac{a}{(\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2})^{1/2}} = \frac{0.407}{\sqrt{6}} = 0.1662 \text{ nm}$$

and

$$\sin\theta = \frac{0.1}{2(0.1662)} = 0.3009 ; \theta = 17.5^\circ$$

$$3(a). D = 0.77 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{33716}{1300}\right) = 4.197 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$$

$$J = -D \frac{\Delta C}{\Delta x} = 10^7 \text{ atoms/cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}$$

$$\text{Concentration-gradient} = -\frac{10^7}{4.197 \times 10^{-12}} \frac{\text{atoms}}{\text{cm}^4}$$

$$\frac{\Delta C}{\Delta x} = -2.383 \times 10^{18} \frac{\text{atoms}}{\text{cm}^4}$$

3(b). Pt-Cu solid solution: In 1 mole, there are 0.95 mole Pt and 0.05 mole Cu.

$$m_{\text{Pt}} = 0.95 \times 195.09 = 185.336 \text{ g} = 98.315 \text{ wt\%}$$

$$m_{\text{Cu}} = 0.05 \times 63.54 = \frac{3.177 \text{ g}}{\text{total mass: } 188.513 \text{ g}} = 1.685 \text{ wt\%}$$

4(a). Critical resolved shear stress,  $\tau_c = \sigma_c \cos \phi \cos \lambda$

$$\cos \phi = \frac{0+0+1}{1 \times \sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} ; [001] \nparallel [111]$$

Slip direction:  $[0\bar{1}1]$

$$\cos \lambda = \frac{0-0+1}{\sqrt{2} \times 1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ; [001] \nparallel [\bar{0}11]$$

$$0.24 \text{ MPa} = \tau_c \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ; \tau_c = 0.24 \sqrt{6} = 0.588 \text{ MPa}$$

4(b). Hall-Petch equation:  $\sigma_y = \sigma_o + k_y (\delta)^{-1/2}$

$$196 \text{ MPa} = \sigma_o + k_y (4) \quad \boxed{k_y = 29.5}$$

$$314 \text{ MPa} = \sigma_o + k_y (8) \quad \boxed{\sigma_o = 78 \text{ MPa}}$$

$$\text{At } \delta = 0.0278 \text{ nm: } \sigma_y = 78 + \frac{29.5}{0.1667} = 255 \text{ MPa}$$

$$4(c). A_0 l_0 = A l ; \sigma_{\text{tr}} = \frac{F}{A} = \frac{\sigma A_0}{A}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{tr}} = \sigma \frac{l}{l_0} = \sigma \left( \frac{l_0 + \Delta l}{l_0} \right) = \sigma (1 + \varepsilon)$$

and

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta l}{l_0} = \frac{l - l_0}{l_0} = \text{strain}$$