

GLY 4200C HW1 Answers
Fall 2019

1. The mineral hessite (Ag_2Te) has an isometric unit cell whose dimension is 0.6572 nm above 149.5°C. Isometric means that all three unit cell dimensions are identical. $Z = 4$. What is the calculated value of the density? Express your answer in grams per cubic centimeter, then convert the answer to kilograms per cubic meter.(5 points)

$$D = \frac{Z \cdot M}{N \cdot V} \qquad M = 2 \cdot 107.868 + 127.60 = 343.34 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$V = a^3 = (0.6572 \text{ nm})^3 = (0.6572 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ cm})^3 = 2.839 \cdot 10^{-22} \frac{\text{cm}^3}{\text{mol}}$$

$$D = \frac{4(343.43)}{(6.023 \cdot 10^{23})(2.839 \cdot 10^{-22})} = \frac{1373.72}{170.993} = 8.034 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

1 gram/cubic centimeter = 1 000 kilogram/cubic meter, so:

$$8.034 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3} = 8.034 \times 10^3 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

2. The mineral bismuthinite, Bi_2S_3 , is orthorhombic, with unit cell dimensions:

$$a = 11.13 \text{ \AA}, b = 11.27 \text{ \AA}, c = 3.97 \text{ \AA} \quad Z = 4$$

What is the calculated value of the density, expressed in a) grams per cubic centimeter and b) kilograms per cubic meter? (5 points)

$$M = (2(208.9804) + 3(32.064)) = 514.153 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$V = a \cdot b \cdot c = (11.13 \cdot 10^{-8})(11.27 \cdot 10^{-8})(3.97 \cdot 10^{-8}) = 4.980 \cdot 10^{-22} \frac{\text{cm}^3}{\text{mol}}$$

$$D = \frac{4(514.153)}{(6.023 \cdot 10^{23})(4.980 \cdot 10^{-22})} = \frac{2056.6}{299.95} = 6.86 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

$$6.86 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3} \cdot \frac{10^6 \text{ cm}^3}{\text{m}^3} \cdot \frac{\text{kg}}{1000 \text{ g}} = 6.86 \times 10^3 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

3. The mineral nadorite, PbSbO_2Cl , has a density of $7,024 \text{ kg/m}^3$. Express this density in g/cm^3 . (2 points)

$$7024 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot \frac{\text{m}^3}{10^6 \text{ cm}^3} \cdot \frac{1000 \text{ g}}{\text{kg}} = 7.024 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

4. A sample of claudetite, As_2O_3 , has a weight in air of 11.72 grams. The same sample has a weight in water of 8.90 grams. What is G? (2 points)

$$G = \frac{W_A}{W_A - W_w} = \frac{11.72}{11.72 - 8.90} = \frac{11.72}{2.82} = 4.16$$

5. A sample of strengite, $\text{Fe}(\text{PO}_4)_2 \cdot 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$, is weighed in air. The weight is 18.53 grams. The weight of the same sample in water is 12.07 grams. What is G? (2 points)

$$G = \frac{18.53}{18.53 - 12.07} = \frac{18.53}{6.460} = 2.868$$

4 points for correct number of significant figures throughout paper

Total Possible - 20 points