

## 20 Cohesive Energy

Lennard-Jones potential:  $\phi(r) = -\frac{A}{r^6} + \frac{B}{r^{12}}$

Molecular  
Crystals



$$= 4\epsilon \left[ \left(\frac{\sigma}{r}\right)^{12} - \left(\frac{\sigma}{r}\right)^6 \right]$$

Fits for Noble Gases

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{R \neq 0} \phi(R)$$

per particle

$$u = 4\epsilon \left[ A_{12} \left(\frac{\sigma}{r}\right)^{12} - A_6 \left(\frac{\sigma}{r}\right)^6 \right]$$

$$R = \alpha(R) \cdot r$$

nearest  
neighbor  
separation

$$A_{12} = \sum_{R \neq 0} \frac{1}{\alpha(R)^{12}}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = 0 \text{ works} \rightarrow u(\text{equil.}) = -8.6\epsilon$$

= Cohesive energy

Bulk modulus also works well.

## Ionic Crystals

$$U^{(r)} = U_{(r)}^{\text{core}} + U_{(r)}^{\text{coulomb}}$$

$$r = a/2 \text{ (Cubic)}$$

$$|R| = \alpha(R)r$$

d transl.  $a/2$

$$|R+d| = \alpha(R+d)r$$

$$\frac{-e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \left\{ \frac{1}{\alpha(d)} + \sum_{R \neq 0} \left( \frac{1}{\alpha(R+d)} - \frac{1}{\alpha(R)} \right) \right\} \quad \text{2 atoms basis}$$

$$U = \frac{N}{2} \quad "$$

$$U^{\text{coul}} = \quad " \quad "$$

divide (without 2)  
pairs  
ions

Does not converge.

Depending on sum can get anything.

Sum so that  $Q$ , & surface charge.

Then decay  $1/r^5$ .

Ewald

$$U^{\text{coul}} = -\alpha \frac{e^2}{r}, \quad \alpha = \text{Madelung Constant}$$

Dominant term = Coulomb

Need core-core repuls. to fine tune

## Covalent Crystals & Metals

Tougher since valence electrons distorted  
Need band structure.

Give my interpretation.

## Metals

Electron K.E. + Coulomb

$$u^{\text{coul}} = - \frac{24.35}{(r_s/a_0)} \text{ eV/atom}$$

$$u^{\text{kin}} = \frac{3}{5} E_F = \frac{30.1}{(r_s/a_0)^2} \text{ eV/atom}$$

$$u^{\text{ex}} = - \frac{12.5}{(r_s/a_0)} \text{ eV/atom}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{r_s}{a_0} = 1.6$$

Alkali:  $\frac{r_s}{a_0} = 2$  to  $6$

Not include ionic radius.