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Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word or words (please print). Questions 1 - 8 count 4 points each.

1. The ground electronic state of a neutral Pb atom ( $Z = 82$ ) is  
 $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 4s^2 3d^{10} 4p^6 5s^2 4d^{10} 5p^6 6s^2 4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6p^2$   
(List in order of increasing energy.)
2.  $\langle 110 \rangle$  are close packed type directions in FCC and lies on a  $\{111\}$  type planes, which are close packed.
3. Mixed bonds may involve a combination of metallic and covalent bonds or a mix of covalent and ionic bonds.
4. The primary bonds in Si are covalent bonds, while the primary bonds in Fe are metallic bonds.
5. The HCP crystal structure has a hexagonal Bravais lattice and a basis consisting of two identical atoms.
6. Graphite consists of sheets of carbon atoms bonded to each other by  $sp^2$  hybridized covalent bonds. Adjacent sheets are bonded together by relatively weak secondary bonds.
7. Solids that are non-crystalline (thus, not polycrystalline) are amorphous in structure and are known as glasses.
8. In general, increasing the strength of a material decreases the material's ductility, while increasing a material's ductility decreases its strength.

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Fill in the blanks with the appropriate letter **and** circle the printed answer. Questions 9 - 15 count 4 points each.

- c 9. An atom in the simple cubic structure (SC lattice, 1 atom basis) has a coordination number (CN) of:  
a) 2, b) 4, c) 6, d) 8, e) 12
- b 10. The equilibrium state of a system (at constant temperature and pressure) is that state which minimizes the system's:  
a) Entropy, b) Gibbs free energy, c) Enthalpy, d) Helmholtz free energy
- b 11. An octahedral interstitial site has a coordination number (CN) of:  
a) 4, b) 6, c) 8, d) 12
- f 12. Which is a close packed direction in the FCC structure?  
a) [100], b) (110), c) {100}, d) (111), e) [111], f) [110], g) (110)
- b 13. Along with polymorphic, means capable of more than one crystal structure:  
a) Isotactic, b) Allotropic, c) Atactic, d) Syndiotactic
- d 14. Each cubic unit cell of the zinc blende structure is associated with how many atoms?  
a) 1, b) 2, c) 4, d) 8, e) 12
- c 15. The Miller indices of the close packed planes in FCC are:  
a) {100}, b) [110], c) {111}, d) [111], e) [100], f) <110>

Questions 16 - 19 count 10 points each. **SHOW YOUR WORK** and **CIRCLE YOUR ANSWERS.**

16. Compute the packing factor (PF) for the body centered cubic structure (BCC lattice, one atom basis).

$$PF = \frac{2 \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3}{a_0^3}$$

$$4R = \sqrt{3}a_0 \Rightarrow R^3 = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\right)^3 a_0^3$$

$$PF = 2 \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\right)^3 = 0.68$$



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17. An x-ray diffraction pattern of copper (FCC) using Cu K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.1542$  nm) produces a diffraction maximum (diffraction spot) at a scattering angle of  $2\theta = 50.5^\circ$  corresponding to diffraction from (2 0 0) planes. Calculate the lattice parameter in nm. (Hint: assume  $n = 1$  and note the relationship between the distance between (hkl) planes,  $d_{hkl}$ , and  $a_0$  (lattice parameter) for cubic materials given in the attached *Formula and Data sheet*.)

$$\lambda = 2 d_{200} \sin \theta, \quad \theta = 25.25^\circ$$

$$d_{200} = \frac{\lambda}{2 \sin(25.25^\circ)} = \frac{0.1542}{2 \sin(25.25^\circ)}$$

$$d_{200} = 0.1807 \text{ nm} = \frac{a_0}{(h^2 + k^2 + l^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = (0.1807)(2^2)^{1/2} = 0.361 \text{ nm}$$

18. Identify the indicated features (planes, directions, etc.) of the cubic unit cell in the blanks (use correct notation):

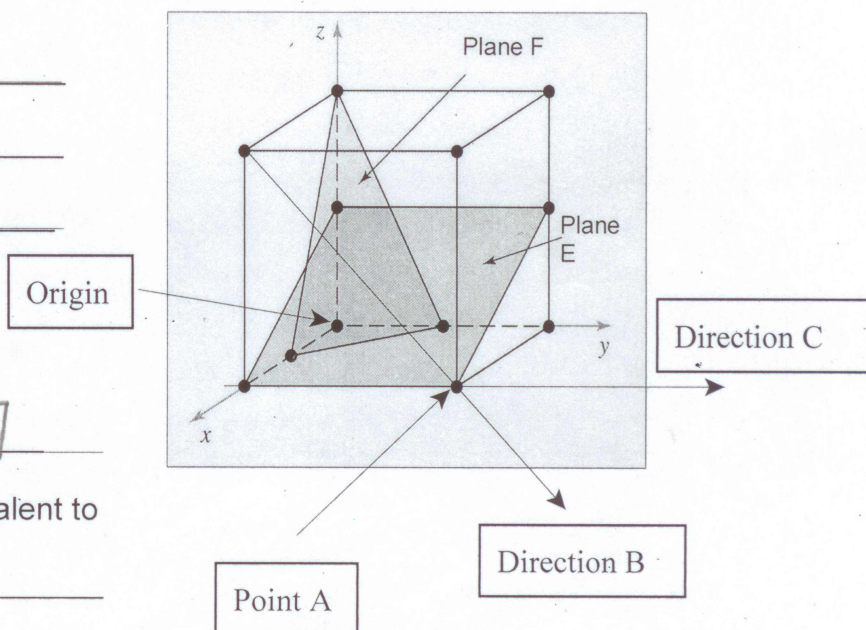
a) Plane E (102)

b) Plane F (221)

c) Point A 1, 1, 0

d) Direction B  $[01\bar{1}]$

e) Family of all directions equivalent to Direction C  $\langle 100 \rangle$



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19. Compute the minimum radius ratio,  $r/R$ , for which an atom of radius  $r$  will simultaneously touch three larger atoms of radius  $R$  ( $R > r$ ). (Hint: The centers of all four atoms lie in a plane.)

$$\cos 30^\circ = \frac{R}{R+r} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} r = R \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{r}{R} = \frac{2 \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.154$$

