

Lattice Energy Chemistry Questions with Solutions

Q1: Many ionic compounds have some covalent ability due to

- a) electron polarization
- b) ion polarization
- c) charge polarization
- d) proton polarization

Answer: b) ion polarization

Q2: Lithium Fluoride's lattice energy to Magnesium oxide is

- a) greater
- b) lesser
- c) same
- d) never known

Answer: b) lesser

- Q3: The value of lattice energy is affected by
- a) size and charge of ions
- b) size of ions only
- c) charge of ions only
- d) mass of ions

Answer: a) size and charge of ions

Q4: Greater polarization of carbonate ion will result in weak

- a) C=C bond
- b) C-H bond
- c) C-C bond
- d) H-H bond

Answer: b) C-H bond

Q5: Lattice energy is inversely proportional to sum of radii of

- a) cation only
- b) anion only
- c) anion and cation
- d) ions

Answer: c) anion and cation



Q6: Define Lattice energy. How is Lattice energy influenced by (i) Charge on the ions (ii) Size of the ions?

Answer:

The energy generated when one mole of crystalline solid is formed by the combination of oppositely charged ions is known as lattice energy.

- As the magnitude of an ion's charge increases, the force of interionic attraction increases, and the value of Lattice energy increases.
- The smaller the ions, the shorter the antinuclear distance and consequently the higher the Lattice energy.

Q7: Which are the factors that contribute to lattice energy of an ionic compound?

Answer:

The strength of the ionic bonds in an ionic compound is measured by lattice energy. It reveals information about ionic materials' volatility, solubility, and hardness, among other things.

- The distance between the ions has an inverse relationship with the lattice energy of an ionic compound. The weaker the electrostatic forces binding ions together in a lattice, the lower the lattice energy.
- The ionic lattice of smaller atoms has smaller interatomic distances and stronger binding forces. As a result, the smaller the constituent ions are, the higher the ionic solid's lattice energy.

Q8: What is the difference between lattice enthalpy and lattice energy

Answer:

LATTICE ENTHALPY

The strength of the forces between the ions in an ionic solid is measured by lattice enthalpy. The stronger the forces, the greater the lattice enthalpy.

LATTICE ENERGY

The energy required to separate a mole of an ionic solid into gaseous ions is known as lattice energy. Although lattice energy cannot be measured experimentally, it can be calculated or estimated using electrostatics or the Born-Haber cycle.

The following equation can be used to represent the molar lattice energy of an ionic crystal in terms of molar lattice enthalpy, pressure, and volume change:



$\Delta_{\rm G} {\rm U} = \Delta_{\rm G} {\rm H} - {\rm p} \Delta {\rm V}_{\rm m}$

Where:

- $\Delta_G U$ denotes the molar lattice energy.
- $\Delta_{G}H$ denotes the molar lattice enthalpy.
- ΔV_m is the change in volume (per mole).
- p is the pressure.

Q9: Mention the general characteristics of Ionic Compounds.

Answer:

(i) **Physical State**: They are crystalline solids with a crystal lattice structure. Unlike other gaseous molecules such as H2, N2, 02, and Cl2, Ionic compounds do not exist as single molecules.

(ii) **Melting and boiling points**: lonic compounds have high melting and boiling points due to the high interionic force.

(iii) **Solubility**: They dissolve in polar solvents like water but not in organic solvents like benzene, CCl4, and others.

(iv) **Electrical conductivity**: They are poor conductors of electricity in their solid state, but they conduct electricity when melted or dissolved in water.

(v) **lonic reactions**: lonic compounds produce ions in the solution, which react quickly with oppositely charged ions.

Q10: Explain the important aspects of resonance with reference to the CO_3^{2-} ion.

Answer:

All C-O bonds in CO_3^{2-} are equal, according to experimental results.

As a result, using a single Lewis structure with one double bond and two single bonds to represent $CO_3^{2^-}$ ion is inefficient.

As a result, the resonance structures of CO_3^{2-} are:





Q11: What are the practical applications of Lattice Enthalpies?

Answer:

Lattice energy is used to evaluate electron and fluoride relationships, to estimate standard enthalpies formation, and to measure the strength of ionic solids. An in-depth explanation is –

When a group of ions come together to form a molecule, the Lattice energy factor helps in determining how much energy is released.

It's primarily used to figure out how strong ionic compounds or solids are. Ionic solids or compounds typically have a high lattice energy, which allows them to achieve greater stability and makes it difficult to break their bond.

Q12: Although both CO_2 and H_2O are triatomic molecules, the shape of the H_2O molecule is bent while that of CO_2 is linear. Explain this on the basis of the dipole moment.

Answer:

 CO_2 has a dipole moment of 0 according to experimental observations. And it's only possible if the molecule's structure is linear, because the dipole moments of the C-O bond are equal and opposite, nullifying each other.



Thus, resultant **µ** = 0

The dipole moment of H_2O is 1.84 D. Since the dipole moments of the O-H bond are unequal, the value of dipole moments indicates that the structure of the water molecule is bent.





Q13: How does charge on the ion effect Lattice Enthalpy?

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Answer:

Because of the electrostatic attraction between the particles in the grid gem, they are drawn in. Given that this power is directly proportional to the magnitude of charge, the larger the charge, the more grounded in the cross-section.

Potassium Chloride and Calcium Chloride, for example, have a similar gem grid game plan, but the last option's cross-section enthalpy is higher than the first. This is because calcium particles have 2⁺ charges while potassium particles only have 1⁺ charge, and because we know that electrostatic power of interest is directly proportional to charge, calcium chloride has a more grounded power.

Q14: Mention the difference between Electronegativity and Electron affinity.

Answer:

Sr. No	Electronegativity	Electron Affinity
1	Electronegativity is the tendency of an atom in a chemical compound to attract shared pairs of electrons.	The electron gain enthalpy of an isolated gaseous atom is its inclination to gain electrons.
2	It differs depending on the element to which it is bonded.	It is unaffected by the element to which it is attached.
3	It is not constant for any element.	It is constant for an element.
4	It is not a measurable quantity.	It is a measurable quantity.

Q15: Which out of NH_3 and NF_3 has higher dipole moment and why?



Answer:

The central atom in NF_3 and NH_3 is the N- atom.

The central atom has one lone pair and three bond pairs. As a result, the shape for both is AB_3E , or pyramidal.

 NF_3 should have a higher dipole moment than NH_3 because the F-atom has a higher electronegativity than the H-atom. However, the dipole moment of NH_3 is 1.46D, higher than that of NF_3 , which is 0.24D.

The directions of individual bond dipole moments in NF₃ and NH₃ demonstrate this.



Since both N-H bonds point in the same direction, they add to the bond moment of the lone pair, whereas N-F bonds point in the opposite way, they cut the bond moment of the lone pair in half.

As a result, NH₃ has a greater dipole moment than NF₃.

Practise Questions on Lattice Energy

Q1: Explain the formation of a chemical bond.

Answer:

Atoms combine to complete their individual octets in order to obtain the stable inert gas structure, according to Kossel and Lewis. This can happen in one of two ways: one or more electrons are transferred from one atom to another, or electrons are shared between two or more atoms.

Q2: Write the favourable factors for the formation of ionic bonds.

Answer:

- Metal atoms have a low ionisation enthalpy.
- Non-metal atoms have a high electron gain enthalpy.
- The compound has a high lattice enthalpy.

Q3: How to Calculate Lattice Enthalpy?



Answer:

It's important to note that you can't measure the enthalpy change of a solid crystal that's been converted into gaseous ions. Calculating the reverse scenario, where you start with gaseous ions and measure the change as they transition to solid-state, is more difficult. However, there are two methods for calculating lattice enthalpies:

To begin, you can utilise a Hess law cycle or a Born-Haber cycle that contains measurable enthalpy changes. Experimental values are lattice enthalpies acquired using this method.

Second, you may do it the physics way by calculating the amount of energy released when ions (as point charges) gather together to create a lattice. The calculation involves lattice energies, and the results are referred to as theoretical values.

Q4: Although geometries of NH_3 and H_2O molecules are distorted tetrahedral, the bond angle in water is less than that of ammonia. Discuss.

Answer:

 NH_3 and H_2O have the following molecular geometry:



In NH_3 , the core atom (N) has one lone pair and three bond pairs. There are two lone pairs and two bond pairs in H_2O .

The two bond pairs are repelled by the two lone pairs present in the oxygen atom of the H_2O molecule. The repulsion between the lone pair and the three bond pairs on the nitrogen atom is much stronger.

The bond angle in water is less than that of ammonia because the repulsions on the bond pairs in H_2O are stronger than those in NH_3 .

Q5: Arrange the bonds in order of increasing ionic character in the molecules: LiF, K_2O , N_2 , SO_2 , and CIF_3 .

Answer:

The differential in electronegativity between constituent atoms determines the ionic characteristic of a molecule. As a result, the greater the difference, the more ionic a molecule is.



As a result, the required ionic character order of the provided molecules is

 $N_2 < SO_2 < CIF_3 < K_2O < LiF.$

