

ChemE 378, Assignment #20
Special Problems

- SP4** Calculate the surface energy for a copper crystal for the (111) plane. Copper has a FCC structure with an interatomic distance of 0.255 nm (2.55 Å). The energy of vaporization is 341 kJ/mol.
- SP5** Estimate the surface energy in Joules per square meter for a covalently bonded crystal silicon (diamond structure) for a plane parallel to (100). The bond energy of Si-Si is 224 kJ/mol of bonds and the lattice constant $a = 0.357$ nm (3.57 Å).
- SP6** Water has a surface tension of about 72 erg/cm². When you add liquid detergent (dish soap) to water, the surface tension drops to 26 erg/cm².
- Draw a possible structure and orientation for a detergent molecule at an air/water interface.
 - Estimate the pressure inside soap bubbles of 10 mm, 0.1 mm and 0.001 mm diameter.
 - Calculate the minimum energy (based on creating new surface) to form 1 liter of pure water drops of sizes 10 mm, 0.1 mm and 0.001 mm diameter.