## Metals and their Compounds Lecture 3.5

## Body-centered cube (p 417 BLB)


cube length $=a \quad$ atom radius $=r$

Atoms touch along body-diagonal of cube, so

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\begin{gathered}
c=4 r \text { and } r=c / 4 \\
b^{2}=2 a^{2} \text { and } c^{2}=a^{2}+2 a^{2} \text { so } c=\sqrt{ } 3 a \\
\text { so } r=\sqrt{ } 3 a / 4
\end{gathered}
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