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Sixth Semester B.Sc. Degree Examination, April 2023 First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Physics

Core Course IX

PY 1641: SOLID STATE PHYSICS

(2018 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

SECTION - A

Answer all questions; each carries 1 mark.

- 1. What is a primitive cell?
- 2. What is rotation symmetry?
- Define fermi sphere.
- Give two applications of Hall effect.
- 5. What is an extrinsic semiconductor?
- 6. Define mobility of a charge carrier.
- 7. Define polarizability.
- 8. Define magnetic susceptibility.
- 9. What is diamagnetism.
- 10. What is isotope effect in superconductors?

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - B

Answer any eight; each carries 2 marks.

- 11. Distinguish between crystalline and amorphous solids.
- 12 Give two uses of x ray diffraction methods.
- 13. Name five types of bonding in solids.
- 14. Give the expression for fermi energy and explain the symbols.
- 15. Give the difference between ferrimagnetism and anti-ferromagnetism.
- 16. Explain the concept of Brillouin zone.
- 17. Which are the sources of polarizability?
- 18. What is electronic polarisability. Give the expression.
- 19. Explain the term hysteresis and coercivity.
- 20. Obtain an expression for London penetration depth of a superconductor.
- 21. What are Cooper pairs? Explain.
- 22. Give three applications of superconductors.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - C

Answer any six; each carries 4 marks.

- 23. Determine the separation between lattice planes (2 1 1) and (0 0 1) in a simple cubic lattice.
- A superconducting material has a critical temperature of 3.7K in zero Magnetic field and a critical field of 0.0306 Am⁻¹ at 0K. Find the critical field at 2K.
- 25. The critical temperature T_C for mercury with isotopic mass 199.5 u is 4.185K. Calculate its critical temperature when its isotopic mass changes to 203.4 u.

- The spacing between the principal plane of NaCl is 2.82 A°. First order Bragg reflection occurs at an angle of 10°. What is the wavelength of x rays.
- 27. Show that average kinetic energy of electron is $\frac{3}{5}E_f$, where E_f is the Fermi Energy.
- 28. Derive the Clausius-Mossotti relation.
- 29. The penetration depth of mercury at 3.5K is about 750 A°. Estimate the penetration depth at 0K.
- 30. The applied magnetic field in Copper is $10^6 Am^{-1}$. If the magnetic susceptibility of Copper is 1.5×10^{-3} . Calculate the flux density and the magnetization in Copper.
- 31. Assuming the Polarisability of Kr atom is $2.18 \times 10^{-40} Fm^2$. Calculate its dielectric constant at 0°C and 1 atm.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - D

Answer any two; each carries 15 marks.

- Explain Meissner effect? Obtain an expression for the London penetration depth for a superconductor.
- 33. Distinguish between dia, para and ferromagnetism. Derive an expression for the diamagnetic susceptibility on the basis of Langevin's classical theory.
- 34. Deduce Bragg's law in X ray diffraction. Describe Bragg's spectrometer and explain how it is used to determine wavelength of X rays.
- 35. (a) Which are the three sources of polarisability.
 - (b) Derive an expression for dipolar polarisability.
 - (c) Draw a graph drawing frequency dependence of various contributions to polarisability.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$