

**I B.Tech Supplementary Examinations, Aug/Sep 2008****APPLIED PHYSICS**

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**Time: 3 hours****Max Marks: 80**

**Answer any FIVE Questions**  
**All Questions carry equal marks**

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1. (a) Define coordination number and packing factor of a crystal. [4]  
 (b) Describe the FCC crystal structure. [6]  
 (c) Obtain an expression for the packing factor of FCC structure. [6]
2. (a) What are Miller indices? Explain. [4]  
 (b) Derive an expression for the interplanar spacing between two adjacent planes of Miller indices (h k l) in a cubic lattice of edge length 'a'. [8]  
 (c) Calculate the interplanar spacing for (321) planes in a simple cubic crystal whose lattice constant is 4.2 A.U. [4]
3. (a) What are matter waves? Explain their properties. [6]  
 (b) Derive the expression for de-Broglie wave length. [6]  
 (c) Calculate the wavelength associated with an electron having energy 2000 eV. [4]
4. (a) What is Fermi level? [2]  
 (b) Explain Fermi-Dirac distribution for electrons in a metal. Discuss its variation with temperature. [8]  
 (c) Calculate the free electron concentration, mobility and drift velocity of electrons in aluminum wire of length of 5 m and resistance 0.06  $\Omega$  carrying a current of 15 A, assuming that each aluminum atom contributes 3 free electrons for conduction.  
 Given: Resistivity for aluminum =  $2.7 \times 10^{-8}$   $\Omega$ -m.  
 Atomic weight = 26.98  
 Density =  $2.7 \times 10^3$  kg/  $m^3$   
 Avagadro number =  $6.025 \times 10^{23}$  [6]
5. (a) What are the properties of diamagnetic materials? [4]  
 (b) Explain why the diamagnetic materials repel the magnetic lines of force. [6]  
 (c) Explain the properties of paramagnetic materials. [6]

6. (a) Distinguish between metals, semiconductors and insulators. [6]  
(b) Explain the effect of temperature on resistivity of a semiconductor. [4]  
(c) Derive an expression for the number of electrons per unit volume in the conduction band of an intrinsic semiconductor. [6]
7. (a) Explain the terms:  
i. temporal coherence  
ii. population inversion  
iii. metastable state  
iv. stimulated emission [10]  
(b) Why is the optical resonator required in lasers? Illustrate your answer with neat sketches. [6]
8. (a) Explain the principle of an optical fibre. [4]  
(b) Explain how the optical fibres are classified. [8]  
(c) Calculate the angle of acceptance of a given optical fibre if the refractive indices of the core and the cladding are 1.563 and 1.498 respectively. [4]

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  - i. basis
  - ii. space lattice and
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- (b) Describe the seven crystal systems with diagrams. [10]
2. (a) State and explain Bragg's law. [6]
- (b) Describe with suitable diagram, the powder method for determination of crystal structure. [6]
- (c) A beam of X-rays of wavelength 0.071 nm is diffracted by (110) plane of rock salt with lattice constant of 0.28 nm. Find the glancing angle for the second order diffraction. [4]
3. (a) Distinguish between Frenkel and Schottky defects. [8]
- (b) Derive an expression for the energy change due to creation of vacancies inside a solid. [8]
4. (a) Explain the origin of energy bands in solids. [6]
- (b) Assuming the electron - lattice interaction to be responsible for scattering of conduction electrons in a metal, obtain an expression for conductivity in terms of relaxation time and explain any three draw backs of classical theory of free electrons. [6]
- (c) Find the temperature at which there is 1% probability of a state with an energy 0.5 eV above Fermi energy. [4]
5. (a) Discuss the spin arrangements in ferromagnetic, ferrimagnetic and anti-ferromagnetic materials. [10]
- (b) How does an anti-ferromagnetic substance differ from diamagnetic substance? [6]

6. (a) Explain the applications of Hall effect. [6]  
(b) Write a note on diffusion length. [6]  
(c) The resistivity of an intrinsic semiconductor is 4.5 ohm-m at 20 °C and 2.0 ohm-m at 32 °C. What is the energy band gap? [4]
7. (a) Explain the characteristics of a laser beam. [4]  
(b) Describe the construction and working of a ruby laser. [8]  
(c) Discuss how lasers are helpful in induced fusion and isotope separation processes. [4]
8. (a) Distinguish between light propagation in  
i. step index and  
ii. graded index optical fibres. [6]  
(b) Discuss the various advantages of communication with optical fibres over the conventional coaxial cables. [6]  
(c) Calculate the refractive indices of core and cladding of an optical fibre with a numerical aperture of 0.33 and their fractional difference of refractive indices being 0.02. [4]

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2. (a) Sketch the planes with Miller indices (123) and (221) in the case of a simple cubic structure. [4]
- (b) Derive Bragg's law for X-ray diffraction in crystals. [8]
- (c) When a beam of X-rays of  $\lambda=1.8$  A.U. is incident on a crystal surface, the second order maximum is obtained at a glancing angle of  $15^\circ$ . Calculate the corresponding inter-planar spacing. [4]
3. (a) Derive time independent Schrodinger's wave equation for a free particle. [8]
- (b) Explain the physical significance of wave function. [4]
- (c) An electron is bound in a one-dimensional infinite well of width  $1 \times 10^{-10}$ m. Find the energy values in the ground state and first two excited states. [4]
4. (a) Explain the origin of energy bands in solids. [6]
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5. (a) Explain ferro-electric hysteresis curve. [4]
- (b) What are the mechanisms of polarization in dielectrics? Discuss the polarization of ionic dielectrics not having permanent dipoles. [8]

- (c) A parallel plate capacitor of area  $650 \text{ mm}^2$ . and plate separation of 4 mm has a charge of  $2 \times 10^{-10} \text{ C}$  on it. What is the resultant voltage across the capacitor when a material of dielectric constant 3.5 is introduced between the plates? [4]
6. (a) Describe Meissner effect. [6]  
(b) Write notes on Type-I and Type -II superconductors. [6]  
(c) Calculate the critical current which can flow through a superconductor wire of aluminium of diameter  $10^{-3} \text{ m}$ . The critical magnetic field for aluminium is  $7.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ amp/m}$ . [4]
7. (a) Explain with a neat diagram  
i. absorption  
ii. spontaneous emission and  
iii. stimulated emission of radiation. [8]  
(b) What is population inversion? How it is achieved by optical pumping? [8]
8. (a) Derive expressions for the numerical aperture and the fractional index change of an optical fibre. [8]  
(b) Write a note on the applications of optical fibres. [4]  
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5. (a) Define the terms magnetic susceptibility, magnetic induction and permeability. How is magnetic susceptibility of a material measured? [10]
- (b) Explain the salient features of anti-ferromagnetic materials. [6]
6. (a) What is meant by superconductivity? Explain. [6]

- (b) Show that the superconductors are perfect diamagnetic materials. [6]
- (c) Write some of the applications of superconductors. [4]
7. (a) Describe the principle, construction and working of a semiconductor laser. [10]
- (b) Write the applications of laser. [6]
8. (a) Write notes on:
- i. fibre materials
  - ii. light sources for fibre optics
  - iii. photo-detectors for fibre optics [6]
- (b) Explain the terms
- i. numerical aperture and
  - ii. acceptance angle of a fibre.
- Derive expressions for them. [10]

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