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B.E. / B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, MAY 2024

Second-Semester

PH18252 – PHYSICS OF MATERIALS*(Common to EC & EE)***(Regulation 2018/2018A)****TIME: 3 HOURS****MAX. MARKS: 100**

COURSE OUTCOMES	STATEMENT	RBT LEVEL
CO 1	Comprehend the behavior of electrons in solids.	2
CO 2	Demonstrate an understanding of various properties of Semiconducting materials and their internal structure	3
CO 3	Analyze the properties of dielectric materials and apply them in various fields.	4
CO 4	Summarize basics of magnetism and superconductivity. Explore a few of their technological applications.	3
CO 5	Develop an understanding the applications of Nano materials and new engineering materials in various fields.	2

PART- A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

(Answer all Questions)

	CO	RBT LEVEL
1. Give any two merits of classical free electron theory.	1	2
2. What is Fermi level and Fermi Energy?.	1	2
3. List any two important properties of semiconductors.	2	3
4. The intrinsic carrier density at room temperature in Ge is $2.37 \times 10^{19} / \text{m}^3$. If the electron and hole mobilities are 0.38 and $0.18 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$ respectively, calculate the resistivity.	2	3
5. Distinguish between dielectric loss and dielectric breakdown.	3	3
6. Calculate the electronic polarizability of neon. The radius of Neon atom is 0.158 nm .	3	4
7. What are 'coercivity' and 'retentivity' of magnetic materials?	4	3
8. Superconducting tin has a critical temperature of 3.7 K at zero magnetic field and a critical field of 0.0306 Tesla at 0 K . Find the critical field at 2 K .	4	3
9. Sketch the two phases which occur in shape memory alloy.	5	2

10. List any two properties of carbon nanotubes.

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PART- B (5 x 14 = 70 Marks)

		Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
11. (a)	Derive an expression for electrical and thermal conductivity of metals.	(14)	1	2
	(OR)			
(b) (i)	Write the expression for Fermi distribution function and explain with suitable diagram. How does it vary with temperature.	(10)	1	2
(b) (ii)	Calculate the Fermi energy and Fermi temperature in a metal if the Fermi velocity of electrons in the metal is 0.86×10^6 m/s.	(4)	1	2
12. (a) (i)	Derive an expression for the carrier concentration in an intrinsic semiconductor by assuming the densities of electron and hole.	(10)	2	3
(a) (ii)	Discuss the variation of Fermi level with temperature in intrinsic semiconductor.	(4)	2	3
	(OR)			
(b) (i)	What is the Hall effect? Obtain expressions to find the Hall coefficient and Hall voltage.	(10)	2	3
(b) (ii)	Mention any two applications of the Hall effect.	(4)	2	3
13. (a)	Explain the different types of polarization mechanisms in dielectric materials and derive an expression for total polarization.	(14)	3	3
	(OR)			
(b) (i)	Explain the temperature and frequency dependence of polarization.	(8)	3	3
(b) (ii)	Give an account on the use of dielectric materials in capacitors.	(6)	3	3
14. (a) (i)	Explain the phenomenon of Hysteresis in ferromagnetic materials.	(8)	4	3
(a) (ii)	Describe the structure of Ferrites.	(6)	4	3
	(OR)			
(b) (i)	Prove that all the superconductors are perfect diamagnets in the superconducting state.	(4)	4	3
(b) (ii)	Distinguish between Type-I and Type-II superconductors.	(10)	4	3
15. (a)	What are shape memory alloys? Discuss the characteristics and properties of shape memory alloys.	(14)	5	2
	(OR)			

- (b) How do nanomaterials differ from bulk materials? Explain the preparation of nanomaterials by Chemical Vapour Deposition method and give their important properties. (14) 5 2

PART- C (1 x 110 = 10Marks)

(Q.No.16 is compulsory)

	Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
16. Deduce the expression for internal field using Lorentz method.	(10)	3	3