2023

5th Semester Examination PHYSICS (Honours)

Paper: C 12-T

[Solid State Physics]

[CBCS]

Full Marks: 40

Time: Two Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Group - A

Attempt any five questions:

 $2\times 5=10$

- 1 Show that, for a simple cubic lattice, d_{100} : d_{110} : $d_{111} = \sqrt{6}:\sqrt{3}:\sqrt{2}$, where d_{hkl} is the separation between adjacent (hkl) parallel planes.
- 2. Taking the origin at the bottom of the conduction band, calculate the crystal momentum for free electron of energy 0.015 eV. Given that the effective mass of electron = $0.25m_0$ where m_0 is the free electron mass.
- 3 Explain the Hall field and Hall voltage.
- 4. What is Pauli paramagnetism?

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5. If an ionic crystal is subjected to an electric field of 1000 Vm⁻¹ and the resulting polarization 4.3×10⁻⁸ C.m⁻², calculate the relative permittivity of NaCl.

- 6. The primitive translation vectors of space lattice are $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j}$, $\vec{b} = 2\hat{j}$, $\vec{c} = \hat{k}$. Find the primitive translation vectors of the reciprocal lattice.
- A. Show that for a 1D mono-atomic lattice the group velocity at the zone boundary is zero.
- Write down the differences between type I and type II superconductors.

Group - B

5×4=20

Attempt any four questions:

9. (a) What is local field in dielectrics? Taking the expression of the local field deduce the Clausius-Mossotti relation in dielectrics.

(b) What is the significance of complex dielectric constant in the case of a dielectric?

- 10. (a) Show that the total magnetic flux threading the circuit cannot change so long as the circuit remains resistanceless.
- (b) The density and the atomic number of Niobium are 8.57×10³ kg/m³ and 93, respectively. It has one conduction electron per atom. Calculate the penetration depth of Niobium.
- (c) What is the isotope effect in superconductors?

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(a) What is transition temperature in ferroelectricity? Comment on the structural phase transition in ferroelectrics.

(b) What symmetry element must be absent for a material to be ferroelectric?

(c) What is plasmon?

12. (a) Discuss the basic features of the Kronig-Penny model.

(b) A silicon plate of thickness 1 mm, breadth 10 mm and length 100 mm is placed in a magnetic field of 0.5 Wb/m² acting perpendicular to its thickness. If 10 mA current flows along its length, calculate the Hall voltage developed, if the Hall coefficient is 3.66×10⁻⁴ m³/C.

13. (a) Define atomic scattering factor and geometrical structure factor. How the factors are related? 2+1

(b) The Bragg angle for first order reflection from (111) plane in a crystal is 60°. Calculate the interatomic spacing, if X-ray of 1.8Å are used.

14 Describe the Langevin's theory of paramagnetism and obtain an expression for paramagnetic susceptibility. 5

Group - C

Attempt any one question:

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(a) What is depolarization field?

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- (b) Derive the dispersion relation for a one-dimensional diatomic lattice and explain the acoustics and optical branches. 4+1+1
- (c) What are Normal Dispersion and Anomalous Dispersion?
- 16. (a) What is the packing fraction in crystals? Find out the value of the packing factor for the FCC structure.
 - (b) Explaining the assumptions clearly, derive an expression for the lattice specific heat according to Debye Model. Discuss the low temperature limit and define Debye's T_3 law. 1+4+2

