

## SECTION A

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### UNIT-1

- a) Crystalline Solid is a category of Solid crystals in which atoms are arranged in a periodic or regular manner that lead to low energy (more stability) of the lattice. This can be further divided into two categories one is single crystal and other is polycrystalline solid.
- b) Space containing the arrangement of imaginary points, that describe the framework of the arrangement of the atoms in a lattice is called space lattice.
- c) Unit cell is the smallest complete arrangement of imaginary points in a lattice that when extended parallelly in different directions produces the complete lattice.
- d) Will send through paper solution.
- e) Will send through paper solution.
- f) Miller indices are defined as the indices which are a simplified version (smallest integral form) of reciprocal of intercepts of a plane enclosed in square bracket and without commas.
- g) Will send through paper solution.
- h) Translational vector is a vector that connects to points in a lattice space and indicates the translation from one point to another.
- j) Primitive cell is the smallest volume unit cell and the effective number of lattice points in a primitive unit cell is always one. All the lattice points lies at the corners of the unit cell.

**BASIS:** A Basis can be defined as an atom or a group of atoms placed in positions of imaginary points in the space lattice and so produces the crystal structure.

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### UNIT-2

- a) X-ray diffraction is a technique used to study the structure of crystalline materials by observing the pattern of X-rays scattered by the crystal. Bragg's law relates the wavelength of X-rays, the distance between crystal planes, and the angle of diffraction, given by  $n\lambda = 2d\sin\theta$ .
- b) Laue Method: Uses a fixed crystal and a continuous spectrum of X-rays to produce diffraction patterns.
- Rotating Crystal Method: A single crystal is rotated in a monochromatic X-ray beam to produce a diffraction pattern.
- Powder Method: A powdered sample is used, and diffraction patterns are obtained as concentric rings, useful for identifying polycrystalline materials.
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d) The direct lattice is the real-space representation of the crystal structure, while the reciprocal lattice is a Fourier transform of the direct lattice. The reciprocal lattice vectors are perpendicular to the planes of the direct lattice and inversely proportional to the spacing between them.

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f) The Laue method allows for the rapid determination of the orientation of large single crystals and can be used with continuous X-ray spectra, making it suitable for studying crystals without requiring rotation or multiple exposures.

g) X-ray diffraction is used in materials science to determine the crystal structure of materials, in chemistry for identifying compounds, in biology for analysing protein structures, and in geology for studying minerals.

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### UNIT-3

a) There are 5 types of crystals based on their bonding. They are,

Ionic Bond based (Ex: NaCl)

Covalent Bond based (Ex: Diamond)

Metallic Bond based (Ex: Ag, Cu)

Van der Waals Forces based (Ex: Solid nitrogen)

Hydrogen Bond based (Ex: Ice)

1. Ionic: Ionic bond is the strongest bond as is formed due to complete transfer of electron creating a strong electrostatic force between them.

2. Covalent: Covalent bonds are formed by mutual sharing electrons. There's no single parent atom holding the valence electron.

3. Metallic: Metallic bond is formed in metallic element solids in which valence electrons are partially shared throughout the crystal and so acting as a glue to bind all atoms together.

4. Van der Waals: These are every weak electrostatic interactions between atoms aroused due to polarization or induced charge effect within molecules.

5. Hydrogen Bond: These are formed between hydrogen atom and highly electronegative atom in a molecule creating an induced polarization effect.

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b) Repulsive interactions in crystal structures are crucial for maintaining the stability and equilibrium distance between atoms. They counterbalance attractive forces, preventing the collapse of the structure and determining the crystal's compressibility and overall mechanical properties.

c) Cohesive energy is the energy required to disassemble a crystal into its individual atoms. It reflects the strength of the bonds holding the crystal together, with higher cohesive energy indicating greater stability and stronger bonding within the crystal lattice.

d) Ionic crystals are characterized by their high melting and boiling points, brittleness, and electrical conductivity when molten or dissolved in water. They consist of positive and negative ions arranged in a regular, repeating pattern and have strong electrostatic forces between the ions.

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f) Van der Waals-London forces are weak intermolecular forces arising from temporary dipoles induced in atoms or molecules. They are significant in molecular crystals, contributing to the overall stability and structure of the crystal by providing additional attraction between molecules.

h) The bulk modulus is a measure of a material's resistance to uniform compression. It is inversely related to compressibility, meaning a higher bulk modulus indicates lower compressibility and greater resistance to volume change under pressure.

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#### UNIT-4

a) Lattice vibrations refer to the oscillations of atoms around their equilibrium positions within a crystal. These vibrations can be modelled as harmonic oscillators and are crucial for understanding thermal properties and phonon interactions in solids.

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c) Phonons are quantized units of lattice vibrations, analogous to photons in light. They play a key role in thermal conductivity and electrical properties of materials by mediating heat and electron-phonon interactions.

d) Fermi energy is the highest occupied energy level at absolute zero temperature. It determines the electrical and thermal properties of metals and semiconductors, influencing electron behaviour and material conductivity.

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f) The Hall Effect refers to the generation of a voltage across a conductor when it is placed in a magnetic field perpendicular to the current flow. It is used to measure carrier concentration and mobility in metals and semiconductors.

g) Band theory arises from the quantum mechanical treatment of electrons in a periodic potential, leading to the formation of allowed and forbidden energy bands. It explains electrical conductivity and the distinction between conductors, insulators, and semiconductors.

h) Holes are the absence of electrons in the valence band of a semiconductor. They act as positive charge carriers and are crucial for understanding the behaviour of p-type semiconductors and electronic devices.

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## UNIT-5

- a) The Nuclear constituents are neutrons (charge-less particles) and protons (positively charged particles).
- b)  $R = KA^{(1/3)}$ . where  $K=1.2$  approx and  $A$  is Mass Number.
- c), d) , e), f), g), h), i), j) Will send through paper solution.

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## UNIT-6

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## UNIT-7

- a) A linear accelerator is a type of particle accelerator that propels charged particles, such as electrons or protons, along a straight path using oscillating electric fields.
- b) The main parts of a proton synchrotron are:
- Injection System
  - magnet System
  - Radio frequency Cavity
  - Vacuum System
  - Beam Diagnostics
  - Extraction System
  - Cooling System
- c) Particle Physics, Nuclear Physics, Medical Sciences, Material Sciences.
- d) The electron cyclotron resonance (ECR) source works on the principle of electron cyclotron resonance, which involves the interaction between electrons and an oscillating electromagnetic field in the presence of a static magnetic field.
- e) Van de Graaf accelerator's ability to produce high-energy particles makes it an invaluable tool for conducting advanced research in nuclear science, hence its association with nuclear science centers.

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## UNIT-8

- a) The baryon number is a quantum number representing the difference between the number of baryons (particles like protons and neutrons) and anti-baryons in a system. It is conserved in most physical processes. For each baryon, the baryon number is +1, for each anti-baryon, it is -1, and for non-baryonic particles, it is 0.

b) The lepton number is a quantum number representing the difference between the number of leptons (such as electrons, muons, and neutrinos) and anti leptons in a system. It is conserved in most interactions. Each lepton has a lepton number of +1, each anti lepton has a lepton number of -1, and non-leptonic particles have a lepton number of 0.

c) Linear momentum is defined as the product of mass of a body with its linear velocity with respect to some frame of reference. It can be used to signify the amount of motion of a body.

d) Angular momentum of a body about a point is defined as the vector product of the position vector and linear momentum of the body with respect to some frame of reference.

e) Bosons and fermions are two classes of elementary particles distinguished by their spin, which determines their statistical behaviour.

Bosons:

Have integer spins (0, 1, 2, ...).

Follow Bose-Einstein statistics.

Can occupy the same quantum state, leading to phenomena like Bose-Einstein condensates.

Examples include photons (spin 1), gluons (spin 1), and the Higgs boson (spin 0).

Fermions:

Have half-integer spins ( $1/2$ ,  $3/2$ , ...).

Follow Fermi-Dirac statistics.

Obeys the Pauli exclusion principle, meaning no two fermions can occupy the same quantum state simultaneously.

Examples include electrons, protons, neutrons (all spin  $1/2$ ), and quarks (spin  $1/2$ ).

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f) Hadrons and baryons are classes of subatomic particles involved in the strong nuclear force.

Hadrons:

Composite particles made of quarks held together by the strong force.

Can be further classified into baryons and mesons.

Examples include protons, neutrons (both baryons), and pions (mesons).

Baryons:

A specific type of hadron consisting of three quarks.

Have a baryon number of +1.

Examples include protons (uud) and neutrons (udd).

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## SECTION B

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### UNIT-1

a) Solids, mainly crystals, can be classified into two categories based on the arrangements of the basis: Crystalline Solids and Non-Crystalline Solids. Crystalline solids are those which possess a regular arrangements of atoms throughout or up to long distances or wide region in the crystal. Most of the solids are crystalline in nature due to the reason that the energy released during the formation of an ordered structure is more than that in unordered structure. Example: Quartz, Diamond, etc.

The Seven Types of Crystal System are:

1. Cubic
2. Tetragonal
3. Orthorhombic
4. Trigonal (or Rhombohedral)
5. Hexagonal
6. Monoclinic
7. Triclinic

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b) Lattice constants are the Linear and angular dimensions of a Crystal System i.e., The edge lengths and angles made with respect to the crystal axes.

A FCC lattice contains 8 atoms on the vertices and 6 atoms on the faces. An atom on the vertex is shared between 8 neighbouring unit cells and an atom on a face is shared between two unit cells. The total contribution of atoms on the vertices of the unit cell is 1 and that of atoms on the faces is 3. Hence, the effective number of atoms in a FCC unit cell is 4.

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d) A cubic crystal System has 3 Bravais Lattices namely Simple, Body Centered, and Face-Centered.

Simple: A simple lattice is just a cube with basis on the vertices.

Body-Centered: This lattice is a cube with a basis in the centre also.

Face-Centered: This lattice is a cube with basis on each face also.

#### EFFECTIVE ATOMS CONTRIBUTION

1. Simple: Since basis on the vertex is shared between 8 neighbouring unit cells, the contribution of each vertex basis to one unit cell is  $\frac{1}{8}$ . Having 8 vertices, the total contribution comes out to be 1 per unit cell

2. Body-Centered: For the vertices, the total contribution is still 1 but it also contains a basis in the centre of the unit cell; So the total contribution turns out to be 2 per unit cell.

3. Face-centered: For Vertices, the total contribution is still 1 but it also contains basis on each face. since each basis on the face is shared between two unit cell, the contribution for each face is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Having 6 faces, the total contribution of face-basis is 3. Hence, the effective number of basis per unit cell is 4.

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## UNIT-2

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e) Characteristics of X-rays:

1. Electromagnetic Radiation: X-rays are a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from 0.01 to 10 nanometers.

2. Penetrating Power: X-rays have high penetrating power, capable of passing through materials that are opaque or partially opaque to visible light.

3. Ionizing Radiation: X-rays possess sufficient energy to ionize atoms and molecules, leading to the production of charged particles and potentially causing biological damage.

### Production of X-rays

1. Bremsstrahlung Radiation: X-rays are produced when fast-moving electrons are decelerated or deflected by the electric field of a heavy atomic nucleus, resulting in the emission of electromagnetic radiation known as bremsstrahlung radiation.

2. Characteristic X-rays: When electrons from an outer shell of an atom fill a vacancy in an inner shell, energy is released in the form of X-rays known as characteristic X-rays. The energy of these X-rays is characteristic of the atom and the energy level transition involved.

3. X-ray Tubes: X-rays are commonly generated using X-ray tubes, which consist of a cathode and an anode. Electrons emitted from the cathode are accelerated towards the anode, producing X-rays upon striking the target material (usually tungsten) via bremsstrahlung radiation and characteristic X-ray emission.

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## UNIT-3

b) Cohesive Energy: Cohesive energy refers to the energy required to completely separate the atoms in a solid and bring them to an infinite distance from each other. It represents the strength of the bonds holding the atoms together in the solid state.

Bulk Modulus (K): Bulk modulus measures the resistance of a material to uniform compression. It quantifies how much pressure or stress is needed to change the volume of a material. Mathematically, it is defined as the ratio of pressure (stress) applied to the resulting fractional volume change.

Compressibility (beta): Compressibility is the reciprocal of bulk modulus ( $\beta = 1/K$ ). It indicates the relative volume change of a material in response to an applied pressure.

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c) Ionic Bond: Ionic bonds form between atoms when one or more electrons are transferred from one atom to another, resulting in the formation of positively charged ions (cations) and negatively charged ions (anions). The electrostatic attraction between these ions holds the atoms together.

Example: Sodium chloride (NaCl) is a classic example of an ionic compound.

**Covalent Bond:** Covalent bonds form when atoms share pairs of electrons to achieve a stable electron configuration. In a covalent bond, electrons are shared between atoms rather than transferred.

Example: Hydrogen gas is a simple example of a covalent compound.

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d) The equilibrium lattice constant is the optimal spacing between adjacent atoms in a crystal lattice, minimizing the potential energy of the system. It reflects the balance between the attractive forces holding atoms together and the repulsive forces between them. Deviations from this spacing can lead to changes in the material's physical and mechanical properties. The equilibrium lattice constant is a crucial parameter in determining the structure, stability, and behavior of crystalline materials.

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**UNIT-4**

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b) Definition: Fermi energy is the highest energy state occupied by an electron at absolute zero temperature in a solid.

**Significance**

1. Energy Reference: Sets the zero-energy level for electrons in a solid.
2. Fermi Level: Determines the probability of electron occupation at different energy levels, with electrons filling states up to Fermi energy level at absolute zero.
3. Conductivity: Influences electrical conductivity; electrons with energy near Fermi Energy contribute most significantly to electrical conduction.
4. Band Structure: For metals, Fermi Energy lies within the conduction band, allowing for the existence of free electrons that contribute to electrical conductivity.
5. Temperature Dependence: Temperature increases cause some electrons to gain energy, shifting the Fermi level and affecting conductivity.

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d) Definition: Paramagnetic susceptibility measures the response of a material to an external magnetic field, indicating the degree to which it becomes magnetized.

- In metals, conduction electrons contribute significantly to paramagnetic susceptibility due to their free movement.
- The susceptibility arises from the alignment of electron spins in response to an external magnetic field, leading to induced magnetization.



## Relation to Free Electron Theory

- Free Electron Theory predicts the behavior of conduction electrons in metals.
- According to the theory, conduction electrons are assumed to behave as free particles moving in a periodic potential.
- Paramagnetic susceptibility arises from the alignment of these free electron spins when subjected to an external magnetic field.

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e) same answer as g).

## g) Distinguishing Different Types of Solids Based on Band Theory

### 1. Conductors (Metals):

- Band Structure: Conduction and valence bands overlap or the conduction band is partially filled.
- Electrical Properties: High electrical conductivity due to free electrons that can move easily.

### 2. Insulators:

- Band Structure: Large energy gap (band gap) between the valence and conduction bands (much greater than 0.7 eV)
- Electrical Properties: Poor electrical conductivity because electrons cannot easily move across the band gap.

### 3. Semiconductors:

- Band Structure: Moderate band gap between valence and conduction bands (around few eV or less)
- Electrical Properties: Conductivity can be controlled by doping (adding impurities) and external factors like temperature or light.

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d) (i) **Magnetic Dipole Moment:** In nuclear physics, the magnetic dipole moment refers to the measure of the strength and orientation of a nucleus's magnetic field. It arises due to the nuclear spins of protons and neutrons, which act like tiny magnets. This moment determines how a nucleus interacts with external magnetic fields and plays a crucial role in nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) techniques.

(ii) **Angular Momentum:** In nuclear physics, angular momentum refers to the rotational motion of a nucleus around its axis. It is a fundamental property arising from the intrinsic spins of protons and neutrons within the nucleus. Angular momentum is quantized, meaning it can only take on discrete values determined by Planck's constant divided by  $2\pi$ . It plays a vital role in determining the energy levels and stability of atomic nuclei.

e) Spin: It represents the intrinsic angular momentum of particles like protons and neutrons. It influences their magnetic properties and interactions with other particles, characterized by half-integer or integer values.

Parity: Parity describes the spatial symmetry of nuclear or subatomic processes, indicating whether they remain unchanged under spatial inversion. Conservation or violation of parity plays a significant role in understanding fundamental interactions, particularly in weak force processes.

Electric Moments: Electric moments in nuclear physics denote the distribution of electric charge within a nucleus, characterized by multipole moments like dipole and quadrupole. These moments influence nuclear structure, behavior in electric fields, and response to external electromagnetic fields.

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## **UNIT-6**

a) The liquid drop model treats the nucleus like a drop of incompressible fluid, emphasizing collective properties of nucleons. It incorporates:

1. Volume Term: Accounts for binding energy proportional to the number of nucleons.
2. Surface Term: Accounts for the decreased binding energy of surface nucleons.
3. Coulomb Term: Represents repulsive energy between protons.
4. Asymmetry Term: Accounts for the energy cost of having unequal numbers of protons and neutrons.
5. Pairing Term: Adds stability for even numbers of protons and neutrons.

### **Correct Predictions**

- Binding Energy Curve: Accurately predicts the general trend of binding energy per nucleon versus mass number.
- Fission: Provides a basis for understanding nuclear fission in heavy nuclei.
- Surface Tension Effects: Explains the lower binding energy of surface nucleons.

### **Failures**

- Shell Effects: Cannot explain the magic numbers and the extra stability associated with them.
- Nuclear Deformation: Fails to accurately describe nuclei with significant deviations from spherical shape.
- Fine Structure: Lacks the detail to account for specific energy levels and nuclear spin states influenced by spin-orbit coupling.

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b) Magic numbers are specific numbers of protons or neutrons in an atomic nucleus that result in highly stable configurations. These numbers correspond to complete shells of nucleons within the nucleus, leading to greater binding energy and stability. The recognized magic numbers are 2, 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, and 126.

Spin-orbit interaction is a coupling between a nucleon's spin and its orbital angular momentum within the nucleus. This interaction arises because the motion of a nucleon in a nucleus generates a magnetic field, which interacts with the nucleon's intrinsic magnetic moment. The effect splits the energy levels of nucleons, contributing to the stability of nuclei with magic numbers and influencing nuclear structure and behavior.

c) Answered in Section C Unit-6.

e) Necessary Conditions for Nuclear Reactions

1. Energy Conservation
2. Momentum Conservation
3. Mass-Energy Equivalence
4. Charge Conservation
5. Nucleon Number Conservation
6. Angular Momentum Conservation

### Two Major Types of Nuclear Reactions

1. Nuclear Fission:

- Definition: A heavy nucleus splits into two or more lighter nuclei, releasing a large amount of energy.
- Example: Uranium-235 fission into barium-141, krypton-92, and neutrons.

2. Nuclear Fusion:

- Definition: Two light nuclei combine to form a heavier nucleus, also releasing energy.
- Example: Hydrogen nuclei (protons) fusing to form helium in the Sun.

### Major Difference Between Fission and Fusion

1. Process:

- Fission: Splitting of a heavy nucleus into lighter nuclei.
- Fusion: Combining of light nuclei to form a heavier nucleus.

2. Energy Output:

- Fission: Releases energy from the splitting of heavy nuclei.
- Fusion: Releases more energy per reaction compared to fission, from the fusion of light nuclei.

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## UNIT-7

a) The Van de Graaff accelerator is an electrostatic particle accelerator that uses a moving belt to transfer electric charge to a high-voltage terminal. Below is the explanation of its working principle:

1. Charge Generation: A comb electrode ionizes air at the base, creating ions.
2. Charge Transfer: An insulating belt picks up these ions and moves them upwards.
3. Charge Accumulation: The belt transfers the charge to a large metal sphere at the top.
4. High Voltage Generation: Continuous charge transfer increases the sphere's potential to millions of volts.
5. Particle Acceleration: The high voltage creates a strong electric field that accelerates injected particles.
6. Target Interaction: Accelerated particles are directed into a beamline for experiments.

b) A cyclotron accelerator works by using a constant magnetic field and an oscillating electric field to accelerate charged particles in a circular path:

1. Magnetic Field: A uniform magnetic field forces charged particles into a circular trajectory.
2. D-shaped Electrodes (Dees): Two hollow, semi-circular electrodes create the circular path.
3. Oscillating Electric Field: An alternating voltage across the gap between the dees accelerates particles each time they cross the gap.
4. Acceleration Process: Particles spiral outward as they gain energy, crossing the gap repeatedly and accelerating with each pass.
5. Increasing Energy: The radius of the particle's path increases with speed, creating a spiral.
6. Extraction: High-energy particles are extracted and directed toward a target for various applications.

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c) A synchrotron accelerator works by accelerating charged particles, such as electrons or protons, using a combination of electric and magnetic fields to keep them on a circular path:

1. Particles are injected into the synchrotron from a linear accelerator or a booster ring with some initial energy.
2. Bending magnets create a magnetic field to keep particles on a curved path, adjusting field strength as particle energy increases.
3. Radio Frequency (RF) cavities provide energy boosts through oscillating electric fields timed with the particles' circulation.
4. The RF frequency and magnetic field strength are synchronized to match the increasing particle energy and relativistic effects.
5. Quadrupole magnets focus the beam, keeping it tightly bunched and stable.
6. High-energy particles are extracted and directed towards experimental targets or secondary accelerators.
7. Relativistic particles emit intense synchrotron radiation, used in imaging, spectroscopy, and materials science.

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d) Advantages of Cyclotron

1. Compact Size: Cyclotrons are relatively small and compact compared to linear accelerators.
2. Cost-Effective: Lower construction and operational costs.
3. Continuous Beam: Produces a continuous beam of particles, beneficial for certain types of research and medical applications.
4. High Beam Intensity: Capable of producing high-intensity beams.

#### Disadvantages of Cyclotron

1. Limited Energy Range: Not suitable for accelerating particles to very high energies (limited by relativistic effects).
2. Fixed Energy Output: Adjusting energy levels is more complex compared to other accelerators.
3. Heavy and Bulky Magnets: Requires large, heavy magnets to maintain the magnetic field.
4. Particle Type Limitation: Best suited for light ions (like protons); not ideal for heavier ions.

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#### e) Advantages of Synchrotron

1. High Energy: Capable of accelerating particles to very high energies.
2. Variable Energy: Adjustable energy levels for different experiments.
3. Synchrotron Radiation: Produces intense, highly collimated radiation useful for imaging and spectroscopy.
4. Stable Beam: Provides a stable and well-controlled particle beam.

#### Disadvantages of Synchrotron

1. High Cost: Expensive to build and operate due to advanced technology and infrastructure.
2. Large Size: Requires a large physical footprint, often several kilometers in circumference.
3. Complexity: Involves complex engineering and maintenance.
4. Radiation Hazard: High-energy particles and radiation require extensive shielding and safety measures.

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### UNIT-8

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b) The quark model describes the internal structure of hadrons, such as protons, neutrons, and other particles. According to this model, hadrons are composed of elementary particles called quarks. Quarks come in six flavors: up (u), down (d), charm (c), strange (s), top (t), and bottom (b). Each quark carries a fractional electric charge of either  $+2/3$  (up, charm, top) or  $-1/3$  (down, strange, bottom).

Quarks combine in specific ways to form hadrons. Baryons, such as protons and neutrons, are made of three quarks. Mesons, on the other hand, consist of a quark and an antiquark pair. The strong force, which binds quarks together within hadrons, is mediated by particles known as gluons.

The quark model explains various properties of hadrons, such as their electric charge, mass, and spin. Moreover, the concept of color charge, an additional property of quarks, ensures that quarks cannot exist in isolation but always form color-neutral combinations. This principle, known as color confinement, is a key feature of QCD and the quark model.

c) Baryons are a class of subatomic particles made up of three quarks bound together by the strong nuclear force. The most familiar baryons are protons and neutrons, which are the building blocks of atomic nuclei. Baryons belong to the larger family of hadrons, which are particles that experience the strong interaction. Each baryon has a corresponding antibaryon composed of three antiquarks. Baryons follow Fermi-Dirac statistics, making them fermions with half-integer spin. The term "baryon" comes from the Greek word for "heavy," reflecting their relatively large mass compared to other particles like mesons.

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d) Leptons are a family of fundamental particles that do not experience the strong nuclear force, unlike quarks and baryons. There are six types of leptons, organized into three generations: the electron (e), muon ( $\mu$ ), and tau ( $\tau$ ), each with a corresponding neutrino ( $\nu_e$ ,  $\nu_\mu$ ,  $\nu_\tau$ ).

1. First Generation:

- Electron (e): A negatively charged particle commonly found in atoms, where it orbits the nucleus.
- Electron Neutrino ( $\nu_e$ ): A neutral, nearly massless particle that interacts very weakly with matter.

2. Second Generation:

- Muon ( $\mu$ ): Similar to the electron but about 200 times more massive. It is unstable and decays into electrons and neutrinos.
- Muon Neutrino ( $\nu_\mu$ ): A neutral particle associated with the muon, also very weakly interacting.

3. Third Generation:

- Tau ( $\tau$ ): Similar to the electron and muon but much heavier. It is unstable and decays into lighter leptons and neutrinos.
- Tau Neutrino ( $\nu_\tau$ ): A neutral particle associated with the tau lepton.

Leptons are fermions and follow the Pauli exclusion principle. Each lepton has an associated antiparticle with opposite charge and quantum numbers, such as the positron ( $e^+$ ) being the antiparticle of the electron ( $e^-$ ).

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e) Mediating quanta, also known as gauge bosons, are particles that mediate the fundamental forces in the universe according to quantum field theory. Each fundamental force has its corresponding gauge boson(s):

1. Electromagnetic Force:

- Photon ( $\gamma$ ): Massless and chargeless, photons mediate the electromagnetic force, responsible for interactions between charged particles. Photons are also the quanta of light.

2. Weak Nuclear Force:

- W and Z Bosons ( $W^+$ ,  $W^-$ ,  $Z^0$ ): These are massive particles that mediate the weak nuclear force, responsible for processes like beta decay. The W bosons are charged, while the Z boson is neutral.

3. Strong Nuclear Force:

- Gluons (g): There are eight types of massless gluons that mediate the strong nuclear force, binding quarks together to form protons, neutrons, and other hadrons. Gluons themselves carry color charge, which is a property related to the strong interaction.

4. Gravitational Force (hypothetical in the context of quantum field theory):

- Graviton (G): A hypothetical massless spin-2 particle proposed to mediate the gravitational force. While not yet observed, it is a key component to unify general relativity with quantum mechanics.

## SECTION C

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### UNIT-1

#### a) Differences Between Amorphous and Crystalline Solids

##### 1. Atomic Structure:

Crystalline Solids: Have a well-defined, long-range ordered structure. Atoms or molecules are arranged in a repeating, orderly pattern extending in all three spatial dimensions.

Amorphous Solids: Lack long-range order. Atoms or molecules are arranged randomly and do not form a regular, repeating pattern.

##### 2. Melting Point:

Crystalline Solids: Have a sharp, well-defined melting point where they transition from solid to liquid.

Amorphous Solids: Do not have a distinct melting point. Instead, they soften over a range of temperatures.

##### 3. Physical Properties:

Crystalline Solids: Exhibit anisotropy, meaning their physical properties (e.g., electrical conductivity, refractive index) vary depending on the direction in which they are measured.

Amorphous Solids: Exhibit isotropy, meaning their physical properties are the same in all directions.

##### 4. Heat of Fusion:

Crystalline Solids: Have a specific heat of fusion, the amount of energy required to change from solid to liquid at the melting point.

Amorphous Solids: Do not have a specific heat of fusion due to the gradual softening process.

##### 5. X-Ray Diffraction:

Crystalline Solids: Produce distinct and sharp X-ray diffraction patterns due to their regular and repeating lattice structure.

Amorphous Solids: Produce diffuse and broad X-ray diffraction patterns, indicating the lack of long-range order.

##### Examples:

Crystalline Solids: Quartz, diamonds, table salt (sodium chloride), metals like iron, and ionic compounds like potassium chloride.

Amorphous Solids: Glass, plastics, gels, and many types of waxes.

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## UNIT-2

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b) Will send through paper solution.

c) Experimental Setup of Powder Method for Crystal Structure Analysis

1. X-ray Source:

- X-ray Tube: Produces monochromatic X-rays, typically using copper radiation with a wavelength of  $1.54 \text{ \AA}$ .
- Monochromator: Ensures the X-rays are of a single wavelength by filtering out unwanted wavelengths.

2. Sample Holder:

- Powder Sample: The material is finely ground to ensure random orientation of the crystallites.
- Sample Mounting: The powder is either pressed into a flat sample holder or placed in a capillary tube. The sample should be evenly distributed to avoid preferred orientation effects.
- Rotation Stage: Some setups use a rotating sample stage to enhance the randomness of the orientations and improve data quality.

3. Goniometer:

- Purpose: Precisely controls the angles at which X-rays are incident on and diffracted by the sample.
- Components: Typically includes a motorized  $\theta$ - $2\theta$  stage that moves the sample and detector in synchrony to maintain the correct diffraction conditions.

4. Detector:

- Types: Photographic film, scintillation counter, etc.
- Function: Captures the diffracted X-rays and records their intensity as a function of the diffraction angle ( $2\theta$ ).

5. Data Collection:

- Step Scanning: The detector is moved stepwise, collecting intensity data at discrete  $2\theta$  intervals.
- Continuous Scanning: The detector continuously moves through a range of  $2\theta$  angles, recording data continuously.

6. Additional Components:

- Incident Beam Optics: Collimators, slits, and mirrors to shape and direct the X-ray beam onto the sample.
- Environmental Controls: Some setups include temperature controllers or environmental chambers for studying samples under different conditions.

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d) Powder Method for X-ray Diffraction

Principle: The powder method is a technique used to determine the crystal structure of materials in powdered form. It relies on the diffraction of X-rays by the crystalline planes within the powder sample, producing a pattern that can be analyzed to identify the material's phase and structural properties.



## Applications of Powder Method

### 1. Phase Identification:

- Purpose: To identify the different phases present in a material.
- Application: Widely used in geology, materials science, and chemistry to analyze multiphase samples, identify unknown minerals, and study phase transitions.

### 2. Crystallite Size and Strain Analysis:

- Purpose: To estimate the size of crystallites and the microstrain within a material.
- Application: Used in materials science to understand the effects of processing conditions on grain size and to study nanomaterials.

### 3. Lattice Parameter Determination:

- Purpose: To measure the lattice parameters of a crystal.
- Application: Helps in the study of solid solutions, thermal expansion, and structural changes due to doping.

### 4. Structure Refinement:

- Purpose: To refine the crystal structure model using Rietveld analysis.
- Application: Provides detailed structural information about the arrangement of atoms within a unit cell, useful in crystallography and materials science.

### 5. Identification of Polymorphs:

- Purpose: To identify different crystalline forms (polymorphs) of a compound.
- Application: Critical in the pharmaceutical industry to control the physical properties of drug substances, such as solubility and stability.

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## e) Laue Method in X-ray Diffraction Experiment

**Principle:** The Laue method is an X-ray diffraction technique used to study the crystal structure of materials. It involves directing a beam of polychromatic (white) X-rays at a stationary crystal. As the X-rays interact with the crystal, they are diffracted in various directions according to the Bragg's law.

### Advantages of the Laue Method

1. **Crystal Orientation:** Ideal for determining the orientation of large, single crystals quickly and efficiently.
2. **Symmetry Information:** Provides information about the symmetry and lattice parameters of the crystal.
3. **Polychromatic Source:** Utilizes a broad range of X-ray wavelengths, which can provide more complete diffraction information from a single exposure.
4. **Non-Destructive:** Typically non-destructive, preserving the sample for further analysis.
5. **Quick Results:** Can produce diffraction patterns relatively quickly, making it suitable for rapid assessments of crystal quality.

## Limitations of the Laue Method

1. **Complex Analysis:** The resulting Laue patterns can be complex and require sophisticated analysis to interpret correctly.
2. **Limited Structural Details:** Not as effective for detailed determination of the crystal structure (atomic positions) compared to other methods like single-crystal X-ray diffraction using monochromatic X-rays.
3. **Crystal Quality Requirement:** Requires high-quality single crystals; not suitable for polycrystalline or powder samples.
4. **Intensity Issues:** The intensity of spots can vary widely, sometimes making it difficult to detect weak reflections.
5. **Overlap of Spots:** For crystals with low symmetry, the Laue spots can overlap, complicating the analysis.

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## ----- UNIT-3

a) The main types of bonding in crystals are ionic, covalent, metallic, van der Waals, and hydrogen bonds. Each type of bond gives the crystal distinct physical properties.

### 1. Ionic Crystals

**Bonding:** Formed by electrostatic attraction between positively charged cations and negatively charged anions.

Examples: Sodium chloride (NaCl), potassium bromide (KBr).

#### Distinguishing Characteristics:

- **High Melting and Boiling Points:** Strong ionic bonds require significant energy to break.
- **Hard and Brittle:** Rigid lattice structure makes them hard, but they can shatter under stress.
- **Electrical Conductivity:** Conduct electricity when molten or dissolved in water, but not in solid state.
- **Solubility:** Generally soluble in water and other polar solvents.

### 2. Covalent Crystals

**Bonding:** Atoms are bonded by shared pairs of electrons forming a continuous network of covalent bonds.

Examples: Diamond (C), silicon carbide (SiC), quartz (SiO<sub>2</sub>).

#### Distinguishing Characteristics:

- **Very High Melting Points:** Strong covalent bonds require a lot of energy to break.
- **Extremely Hard:** Network of strong bonds makes them very hard (e.g., diamond is the hardest known material).
- **Poor Electrical Conductivity:** Most do not conduct electricity (exceptions like graphite have delocalized electrons).
- **Insoluble:** Generally insoluble in most solvents due to strong internal bonding.

### 3. Metallic Crystals

Bonding: Atoms are bonded by a "sea" of delocalized electrons that flow freely among positively charged ion cores.

Examples: Iron (Fe), copper (Cu), gold (Au).

Distinguishing Characteristics:

- Variable Melting Points: Range from low to high depending on the metal.
- Good Electrical and Thermal Conductivity: Free-moving electrons allow for efficient transfer of charge and heat.
- Malleable and Ductile: Can be hammered into sheets (malleable) or drawn into wires (ductile) without breaking.
- Shiny and Lustrous: Delocalized electrons can absorb and re-emit light.

### 4. Van der Waals (Molecular) Crystals

Bonding: Molecules are held together by weak van der Waals forces (London dispersion forces, dipole-dipole interactions).

Examples: Solid carbon dioxide (dry ice,  $\text{CO}_2$ ), iodine ( $\text{I}_2$ ).

Distinguishing Characteristics:

- Low Melting and Boiling Points: Weak intermolecular forces are easily overcome.
- Soft and Easily Deformed: Weak bonds result in soft structures.
- Poor Electrical Conductivity: No free ions or electrons to carry charge.
- Volatility: Tend to sublime or evaporate easily at room temperature.

### 5. Hydrogen-Bonded Crystals

Bonding: Molecules are held together by hydrogen bonds, which occur when hydrogen is bonded to highly electronegative atoms (N, O, F).

Examples: Ice ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), certain organic compounds like urea.

Distinguishing Characteristics:

- Moderate Melting and Boiling Points: Higher than van der Waals crystals but lower than ionic or covalent crystals.
- Soft: Generally softer compared to covalent and ionic crystals.
- Solubility in Water: Hydrogen bonds facilitate solubility in water and other hydrogen-bonding solvents.
- Poor Electrical Conductivity: Lack of free-moving charge carriers.

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## UNIT-4

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b) Fermi Energy: Fermi energy ( $E_F$ ) represents the highest energy level occupied by an electron at absolute zero temperature in a solid. It defines the energy level at which the probability of finding an

electron is 50%.

### Significance

1. **Electronic Occupancy:** At absolute zero, electrons fill available energy states up to ( $E_F$ ), known as the Fermi level. Electrons with energy levels below ( $E_F$ ) are filled, while those above are empty.
2. **Conductivity:** ( $E_F$ ) determines the electrical conductivity of materials. In metals, ( $E_F$ ) lies within the conduction band, allowing electrons to move freely and conduct electricity. In insulators and semiconductors, ( $E_F$ ) lies within the band gap, preventing significant electron movement at low temperatures.
3. **Thermal Properties:** ( $E_F$ ) influences thermal conductivity and specific heat capacity. The density of states near ( $E_F$ ) affects the electronic contribution to thermal conductivity, while ( $E_F$ ) dictates the available energy states for electron-phonon interactions affecting specific heat.
4. **Magnetism:** ( $E_F$ ) determines the behavior of electron spins, influencing the magnetic properties of materials. In ferromagnetic materials, the alignment of electron spins near ( $E_F$ ) leads to magnetization.
5. **Chemical Reactivity:** ( $E_F$ ) affects the chemical reactivity of materials by influencing the availability of electrons for bonding and chemical reactions.
6. **Optical Properties:** ( $E_F$ ) influences the absorption and emission of photons in materials, affecting their optical properties such as reflectivity, transmittance, and absorbance.

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## UNIT-5

### a) Basic Structure of the Nucleus

The nucleus is the small, dense central core of an atom, containing protons and neutrons (collectively called nucleons). The number of protons ( $Z$ ) determines the element, while the number of neutrons ( $N$ ) can vary, resulting in different isotopes of the same element.

### Essential Properties of a Nucleus

#### 1. Size and Shape:

- Radius: Typically on the order of femtometers. Given by  $R = R_0 \cdot A^{1/3}$  where  $R_0$  is approx 1.2 fm and  $A$  is the mass number.
- Shape: Often spherical, but can be ellipsoidal or deformed for some nuclei.

#### 2. Mass and Density:

- Mass: Almost the entire mass of an atom, contributed by protons and neutrons.
- Density: Extremely high, approximately  $10^{17} \text{ kg/m}^3$ , nearly constant for all nuclei.

### 3. Binding Energy:

- Definition: Energy required to disassemble a nucleus into its constituent protons and neutrons.
- Significance: Indicates stability; higher binding energy per nucleon means a more stable nucleus.

### 4. Nuclear Spin:

- Definition: Total angular momentum resulting from the spins of protons and neutrons.
- Implications: Affects magnetic properties and energy levels.

### 5. Nuclear Force:

- Nature: Strong, short-range force binding nucleons together, overcoming electrostatic repulsion between protons.
- Characteristics: Charge-independent and exhibits saturation.

### 6. Radioactivity:

- Definition: Unstable nuclei may decay into more stable configurations, emitting radiation (alpha, beta, gamma) in the process.

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## ----- UNIT-6

### a) Major Features of Nuclear Forces:

1. Strong Interaction: Nuclear forces are one of the fundamental forces of nature, responsible for binding protons and neutrons together in atomic nuclei. They are short-range forces, acting within the range of a few femtometers.
2. Charge Independence: Nuclear forces are charge-independent, meaning they act equally on protons and neutrons, unlike electromagnetic forces, which are repulsive between protons.
3. Saturation: Nuclear forces saturate at short distances, meaning they become negligible beyond a certain range, preventing nuclei from collapsing under the strong attraction.
4. Short-Range Repulsion: At extremely short distances, nuclear forces exhibit a repulsive component, preventing nucleons from collapsing into each other due to the Pauli exclusion principle.
5. Spin-Dependence: Nuclear forces depend on the relative spins of nucleons. When nucleons have parallel spins, the force is slightly stronger due to the exchange of pions between them.

### Role of Neutrons:

- Neutron Stability: Neutrons play a crucial role in stabilizing atomic nuclei, especially in larger nuclei where the repulsive electromagnetic forces between protons would otherwise cause instability.
- Isotopic Variations: Neutrons contribute to the isotopic variety of elements by determining the number of neutrons in a nucleus. Isotopes with different numbers of neutrons may exhibit different stability and nuclear properties.

- Neutron Capture: Neutrons can be captured by atomic nuclei, leading to nuclear reactions such as neutron activation and neutron-induced fission. These reactions are fundamental in nuclear energy production and nuclear processes in stars.

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b) Definition: Nuclear forces, also known as strong nuclear forces, are the forces that act between the nucleons (protons and neutrons) within an atomic nucleus. They are responsible for holding the nucleus together, overcoming the repulsive electromagnetic force between positively charged protons.

### Characteristics of Nuclear Forces

#### 1. Short-Range Force:

- Range: Nuclear forces are effective only at very short distances, typically on the order of 1 to 2 femtometers (fm), which is approximately the size of a nucleus.

- Behavior: At distances greater than a few femtometers, the nuclear force rapidly decreases and becomes negligible.

#### 2. Attractive Nature:

- Binding Nucleons: Nuclear forces are predominantly attractive, ensuring that protons and neutrons are bound together in the nucleus.

- Repulsive Core: At extremely short distances (less than about 0.7 fm), the nuclear force becomes repulsive, preventing nucleons from collapsing into each other.

#### 3. Charge Independence:

- Equality: Nuclear forces act equally between all pairs of nucleons (proton-proton, neutron-neutron, and proton-neutron), although there are subtle differences due to the strong interaction's charge symmetry.

- Symmetry: The force between two neutrons, two protons, or a neutron and a proton is nearly the same, making it independent of the charge of the nucleons.

#### 4. Saturation Property:

- Limited Range: Each nucleon interacts only with its nearest neighbors due to the short range of the force.

- Effect: This leads to the saturation of nuclear forces, where adding more nucleons doesn't proportionally increase the binding energy, resulting in relatively stable nuclei.

#### 5. Strong Interaction:

- Magnitude: Nuclear forces are the strongest of the four fundamental forces, much stronger than the electromagnetic force at short distances.

- Energy Scale: The binding energy per nucleon in a typical nucleus is on the order of a few MeV (million electron volts).

## 6. Dependence on Spin and Isospin:

- Spin Dependence: The nuclear force depends on the relative spin orientations of the nucleons, with different forces acting in parallel and antiparallel spin configurations.

- Isospin Dependence: Isospin symmetry simplifies the description of nuclear forces by treating protons and neutrons as two states of the same particle (nucleon).

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d) In physics, conservation laws state that certain physical quantities remain constant in a closed system, regardless of the processes occurring within the system. These laws are fundamental principles in both classical and modern physics.

### Key Conservation Laws in Nuclear Reactions

#### 1. Conservation of Mass-Energy:

- Law: The total mass-energy in a closed system remains constant.
- Application: In nuclear reactions, the combined mass and energy of the products equal the combined mass and energy of the reactants. Einstein's equation ( $E = mc^2$ ) relates mass and energy, showing they are interchangeable.

#### 2. Conservation of Charge:

- Law: The total electric charge in a closed system remains constant.
- Application: The sum of electric charges before and after a nuclear reaction remains the same. For example, in beta decay, a neutron decays into a proton, an electron, and an antineutrino, conserving the total charge.

#### 3. Conservation of Momentum:

- Law: The total momentum of a closed system remains constant.
- Application: In a nuclear reaction, the vector sum of the momenta of all particles before and after the reaction must be equal. This ensures that the motion of the center of mass remains unchanged.

#### 4. Conservation of Angular Momentum:

- Law: The total angular momentum of a closed system remains constant.
- Application: The sum of the intrinsic spins and orbital angular momenta of particles in a nuclear reaction is conserved. For example, in nuclear decay, the angular momentum before and after the decay must be the same.

#### 5. Conservation of Baryon Number:

- Law: The total baryon number (number of baryons minus the number of antibaryons) in a closed system remains constant.
- Application: In nuclear reactions, the number of baryons (like protons and neutrons) remains unchanged. For instance, in neutron decay, a neutron (baryon) decays into a proton (baryon), keeping the baryon number conserved.

#### 6. Conservation of Lepton Number:

- Law: The total lepton number (number of leptons minus the number of antileptons) in a closed system remains constant.
- Application: In nuclear reactions, the number of leptons (like electrons and neutrinos) remains unchanged. For example, in beta decay, an electron (lepton) and an antineutrino (antilepton) are

emitted, keeping the net lepton number conserved.

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f) Nuclear Fission

Definition: Nuclear fission is a process where a heavy atomic nucleus splits into two smaller nuclei, along with a few neutrons and a large amount of energy.

Example: Uranium-235 Fission

1. Initiation:

- A Uranium-235 nucleus absorbs a slow-moving neutron.

2. Nucleus Splitting:

- The Uranium-236 nucleus, formed momentarily, is highly unstable and splits into two smaller nuclei, such as Krypton-92 and Barium-141, along with additional free neutrons.

3. Chain Reaction:

- The free neutrons released can initiate further fission reactions if they are absorbed by other Uranium-235 nuclei.
- This leads to a chain reaction, releasing a tremendous amount of energy, primarily in the form of kinetic energy of the fission fragments.

Applications:

- Nuclear Reactors: Controlled fission reactions are used to generate electricity.
- Nuclear Weapons: Uncontrolled fission reactions produce explosive energy.

Energy Released:

- The energy released is about 200 MeV (million electron volts) per fission event.

Nuclear Fusion

Definition: Nuclear fusion is a process where two light atomic nuclei combine to form a heavier nucleus, releasing energy.

Example: Fusion in the Sun

1. Proton-Proton Chain:

- Two protons (hydrogen nuclei) collide and fuse, forming a deuterium nucleus (one proton and one neutron), a positron, and a neutrino.
- The deuterium nucleus can further fuse with another proton to form helium-3.
- Two helium-3 nuclei can then combine to form helium-4, releasing two protons in the process.

2. Energy Release:

- These fusion reactions release energy in the form of gamma rays and kinetic energy of the particles.

Applications:

- Stars: Fusion is the fundamental energy source of stars, including the Sun.
- Fusion Reactors: Research aims to achieve controlled fusion for power generation, promising a potentially limitless and clean energy source.



#### Energy Released:

- The energy released in the proton-proton chain in the Sun is about 26.7 MeV for the overall process of fusing hydrogen into helium.

#### Comparison of Fission and Fusion

##### 1. Fuel:

- Fission: Uses heavy elements like uranium-235 or plutonium-239.
- Fusion: Uses light elements like hydrogen isotopes (deuterium and tritium).

##### 2. Energy Output:

- Fission: Produces large amounts of energy, but less per reaction compared to fusion.
- Fusion: Produces more energy per reaction than fission.

##### 3. Byproducts:

- Fission: Produces radioactive waste that requires long-term management.
- Fusion: Produces minimal radioactive waste, mainly helium, which is not harmful.

##### 4. Reaction Conditions:

- Fission: Can be initiated at relatively lower temperatures.
- Fusion: Requires extremely high temperatures (millions of degrees) and pressures to overcome the electrostatic repulsion between nuclei.

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### UNIT-7

a) A Van de Graaff generator is an electrostatic machine that generates high voltages. Its main components are:

- Base and Support Structure: The base houses the motor and provides stability. A vertical insulating column supports the main structure.

- Motor and Belt System: An electric motor drives a belt made of insulating material (rubber, silk, or a similar non-conductive material).

- Pulleys: Two pulleys (one at the bottom, driven by the motor, and one at the top) guide the belt's movement.

- Charge Sources (Combs):

- > Lower Comb: A grounded comb at the bottom near the lower pulley. It transfers electrons to the belt through corona discharge.

- > Upper Comb: A comb near the top pulley collects the charge from the belt and transfers it to the conducting sphere.

- Conducting Sphere: A large, hollow metal sphere mounted on top of the insulating column. It stores the accumulated charge.

- Ground Connection: A grounding connection is often attached to the lower comb or base to facilitate charge transfer.

#### Working Principle of a Van de Graaff Generator

### 1. Charge Generation:

- The motor drives the belt, causing it to move continuously around the pulleys.
- As the belt moves past the lower comb, the high electric field near the comb causes ionization of the air, leading to corona discharge.
- Electrons are either transferred to or removed from the belt, depending on the belt's material and the nature of the comb (positive or negative charging).

### 2. Charge Transport:

- The belt, now carrying an electric charge, moves upward towards the upper pulley and comb.
- The upper comb is positioned close to the belt without touching it. As the charged belt passes the upper comb, the charge is transferred to the comb via induction.

### 3. Charge Accumulation:

- The upper comb is connected to the conducting sphere. The charge from the comb is transferred to the sphere.
- As the belt continues to move, more charge is transferred to the sphere, causing it to accumulate a high voltage potential.
- The insulating properties of the column prevent the charge from leaking away, allowing the sphere to reach very high voltages.

### 4. Electrostatic Discharge:

- The stored charge creates a strong electric field around the sphere.
- When the potential difference between the sphere and the ground (or another object) becomes large enough, a spark or corona discharge may occur, releasing the stored energy.

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d) A synchrotron accelerator is a type of particle accelerator that accelerates charged particles using a combination of electric and magnetic fields arranged in a circular configuration. Its main components are:

- Circular Vacuum Chamber: A ring-shaped, evacuated tube where particles travel, ensuring they don't collide with air molecules.
- RF Cavities: Radiofrequency cavities positioned around the ring to provide the accelerating electric field. These cavities oscillate at specific frequencies to accelerate the particles.
- Magnets:
  - > Dipole Magnets: Located around the ring to bend the particles' path, keeping them in a circular trajectory.
  - > Quadrupole Magnets: Focus the particle beam to keep it narrow and well-collimated.

- Injection System: Introduces particles into the synchrotron at lower energy levels.
- Extraction System: Extracts the accelerated particles for use in experiments or medical treatments.
- Cooling System: Maintains optimal operating temperatures for the components.
- Control System: Manages and monitors the operation of the synchrotron, ensuring synchronization of the accelerating fields and magnet strengths.

### Working Principle of a Synchrotron Accelerator

#### 1. Particle Injection:

- Particles (e.g., electrons, protons) are injected into the synchrotron ring at a low energy through the injection system.

#### 2. Acceleration:

- As particles circulate in the vacuum chamber, they pass through the RF cavities. The RF cavities provide a timed oscillating electric field that accelerates the particles each time they pass through.

#### 3. Bending and Focusing:

- Dipole magnets create a magnetic field that bends the particles' paths, keeping them in a circular trajectory.
- Quadrupole magnets provide focusing forces that keep the particle beam narrow and aligned.

#### 4. Energy Synchronization:

- As particles gain energy, their velocity increases, which changes the timing required to keep them in sync with the RF cavities' electric field.
- The magnetic field strength of the dipole magnets is increased in synchronization with the RF field to keep particles on the correct path.

#### 5. Extraction:

- Once particles reach the desired energy, the extraction system removes them from the synchrotron.
- The high-energy particles can then be directed to target areas for experiments, medical treatments, or other applications.

## UNIT-8

a) The conservation laws of fundamental elementary particles are principles that dictate which properties must remain unchanged in physical processes involving particle interactions and decays.

1. Conservation of Energy: Energy cannot be created or destroyed, only transformed from one form to another. In particle physics, this includes both kinetic energy and rest mass energy ( $E=mc^2$ ).

2. Conservation of Momentum: Both linear and angular momentum are conserved. This means the total momentum (the product of mass and velocity) of all particles involved in a process remains constant. For angular momentum, both the intrinsic spin of particles and their orbital angular momentum are conserved.

3. Conservation of Charge: The electric charge remains constant in any particle interaction. For example, in beta decay, a neutron (neutral) decays into a proton (positive charge), an electron (negative charge), and an electron antineutrino (neutral), keeping the total charge unchanged.

4. Conservation of Baryon Number: Baryons (such as protons and neutrons) have a baryon number of +1, while antibaryons have a baryon number of -1. In any reaction, the total baryon number before and after the reaction must be the same.

5. Conservation of Lepton Number: Leptons (such as electrons, muons, and neutrinos) and their corresponding antileptons have specific lepton numbers. Each type of lepton has its own conservation law (e.g., electron number, muon number). In reactions, the sum of leptons minus antileptons for each type must remain constant.

6. Conservation of Strangeness, Charm, Bottomness, and Topness: These quantum numbers are associated with specific types of quarks:

- Strangeness (S) for strange quarks.
- Charm (C) for charm quarks.
- Bottomness (B) for bottom quarks.
- Topness (T) for top quarks.

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b) Elementary particles are the most fundamental building blocks of matter, not composed of any smaller constituents. They interact with matter and each other through fundamental forces.

### Types of Elementary Particles

#### 1. Quarks:

Types: Six flavors: up, down, charm, strange, top, and bottom.

Properties: Quarks carry fractional electric charges ( $+2/3$  or  $-1/3$ ) and color charge, which is related to the strong force.

Interaction: Quarks combine to form protons, neutrons, and other hadrons via the strong interaction mediated by gluons.

#### 2. Leptons:

Types: Six flavors: electron, muon, tau, and their corresponding neutrinos (electron neutrino, muon neutrino, tau neutrino).

Properties: Leptons have integer charges (electrons, muons, and taus have -1, neutrinos have 0). They do not participate in the strong interaction.

Interaction: Leptons interact via the weak force (mediated by W and Z bosons) and, in the case of charged leptons, the electromagnetic force (mediated by photons).

### 3. Gauge Bosons:

Types: Photon ( $\gamma$ ), W and Z bosons, gluons (g), and the hypothetical graviton.

Properties: Gauge bosons are force carriers.

Interaction: Photon: Mediates the electromagnetic force.

W and Z Bosons: Mediate the weak force.

Gluons: Mediate the strong force between quarks.

Graviton: Hypothetical particle mediating gravity, not yet observed.

### 4. Higgs Boson:

Properties: A scalar particle with no spin.

Interaction: Provides mass to other particles through the Higgs mechanism, interacting with the Higgs field.

## Interactions with Matter

#### 1. Electromagnetic Interaction:

Mediated by: Photons.

Affects: Charged particles (e.g., electrons, protons).

Examples: Atomic bonding, electromagnetic waves, and light.

#### 2. Strong Interaction:

Mediated by: Gluons.

Affects: Quarks and particles made of quarks (hadrons).

Examples: Binding of protons and neutrons in the atomic nucleus.

#### 3. Weak Interaction:

Mediated by: W and Z bosons.

Affects: All fermions (quarks and leptons).

Examples: Beta decay, neutrino interactions.

#### 4. Gravitational Interaction:

Mediated by: Hypothetical gravitons.

Affects: All particles with mass.

Examples: Planetary orbits, gravitational waves.

e) The four fundamental interactions (forces) in nature—gravitational, electromagnetic, strong, and weak—are mediated by particles known as gauge bosons.

### 1. Gravitational Interaction

- Mediating Quanta: Hypothetical graviton (not yet observed).

- Description: The gravitational force is the weakest of the four interactions but has an infinite range and is always attractive. It acts between all particles with mass and energy.

- Role: Responsible for the attraction between masses, governing phenomena such as planetary orbits, the structure of galaxies, and the behavior of objects on Earth.

### 2. Electromagnetic Interaction

- Mediating Quanta: Photon ( $\gamma$ ).

- Description: The electromagnetic force acts between charged particles. It has an infinite range and can be both attractive and repulsive.

- Role: Governs the behavior of charged particles, including electrons and protons, affecting atomic and molecular structures, light, electricity, and magnetism.

### 3. Strong Interaction

- Mediating Quanta: Gluon ( $g$ ).

- Description: The strong force is the most powerful of the four interactions but acts over a very short range, approximately the size of an atomic nucleus. It binds quarks together to form protons, neutrons, and other hadrons.

- Role: Responsible for holding the atomic nucleus together, overcoming the repulsive electromagnetic force between positively charged protons.

### 4. Weak Interaction

- Mediating Quanta: W and Z bosons ( $W^+$ ,  $W^-$ ,  $Z^0$ ).

- Description: The weak force is responsible for processes such as beta decay in radioactive atoms. It has a very short range, much shorter than the strong force, and is weaker than both the electromagnetic and strong forces but stronger than gravity.

- Role: Plays a crucial role in nuclear reactions, such as those that power the sun, and in the decay of unstable particles. It is unique in its ability to change the flavor of quarks (e.g., changing a neutron into a proton, electron, and antineutrino).