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**Instructions for Candidates**

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. Attempt any five questions in total. Question No. 1 is compulsory.
3. All questions carry equal marks.
4. Use of non-programmable scientific calculators is permitted.

1. Attempt any **six** of the following: (3 x 6 = 18)

(a) Draw (221) and (110) planes in a cubic crystal. Also, show [111] direction in a cubic unit cell.

(b) An X-ray beam of wavelength  $1.54 \text{ \AA}$  is diffracted from the (100) planes of a solid with a cubic lattice of lattice constant  $3.05 \text{ \AA}$ . Find the Bragg's angle at which the first-order diffraction occurs.

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- (c) Hall coefficient of a specimen of a strong n-type silicon is  $3.66 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3 \text{C}^{-1}$ . The resistivity of the specimen is  $8.93 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$ . Find the mobility and density of the charge carriers.
- (d) Calculate Einstein's frequency for copper (Cu) metal that has an Einstein's temperature  $\theta_E = 230^\circ \text{ K}$ .
- (e) Discuss various sources of polarizability in a dielectric.
- (f) Explain the B-H curve of a ferromagnetic material.
- (g) Explain Meissner's effect in the superconductor.
2. (a) Explain Ewald's construction and derive Bragg's law  $2\vec{K} \cdot \vec{G} + G^2 = 0$  for X-ray diffraction in a reciprocal lattice, where the symbols have their usual meanings. (12)
- (b) Calculate the packing fraction for face-centered cubic (FCC) crystal. (6)
3. (a) For the Kronig-Penney model of electron behaviour in solids, derive the relation  $P \frac{\sin(\alpha a)}{\alpha a} + \cos(\alpha a) = \cos(ka)$  where  $P$  is proportional to the barrier strength (height and width) between adjacent lattice atoms,  $a$  is the lattice constant,  $k$  is the wavenumber, and  $\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$  .. Sketch the general behaviour of this relation as a function of  $\alpha a$  clearly indicating the value of  $\alpha a = 0$

and the limiting case  $\alpha a \rightarrow \infty$ . By considering the above condition clearly indicate on your sketch the ranges of  $\alpha a$  that correspond to allowed energy bands. (12)

- (b) Show that in the limit of  $P \rightarrow \infty$  the relation leads to discrete allowed energy

$$\text{given by } E_n = \frac{n^2 \hbar^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2}. \quad (6)$$

4. (a) Derive an expression for the lattice specific heat of a solid based on the Debye model and demonstrate that it varies as  $T^3$  at low temperatures. (12)

- (b) Calculate the number of optical and acoustical phonon branches for a NaCl crystal, containing two atoms per primitive unit cell. (6)

5. (a) Describe the Langevin theory of para-magnetism and explain Weiss modification in this theory assuming the existence of an internal molecular field. (12)

- (b) A paramagnetic salt contains  $10^{28}$  ions/m<sup>3</sup>, each with magnetic moment  $9.27 \times 10^{-24}$  A-m<sup>2</sup>. Calculate paramagnetic susceptibility produced in a uniform magnetic field  $H = 10^6$  A/m at  $300^\circ$  K. (6)

6. (a) Define the term "Local electric field" at an atom. Deduce Lorentz relation for  $E_{Loc}$  inside a dielectric. (12)

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- (b) Draw a typical P-E hysteresis curve for a ferroelectric material and give one example. (6)

Charge of an electron =  $1.602 \times 10^{-19}$  C

Planck's Constant =  $6.62 \times 10^{-34}$  J-s

Boltzmann Constant =  $1.38 \times 10^{-23}$  J/K

$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$  Kg m s<sup>-2</sup> A<sup>-2</sup>