



**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE TATI (UC TATI)**

**FINAL EXAMINATION QUESTION BOOKLET**

COURSE CODE	:	DGE 1103
COURSE	:	MATERIALS SCIENCE
SEMESTER/SESSION	:	1-2024/2025
DURATION	:	3 HOURS

**Instructions:**

1. This booklet contains 3 questions. Answer **ALL** questions.
2. All answers should be written in answer booklet.
3. Write legibly and draw sketches wherever required.
4. If in doubt, raise up your hands and ask the invigilator.

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**QUESTION 1**

- a) Define the definition given.
- i. Covalent bond. (2 marks)
  - ii. Proton. (2 marks)
  - iii. Isotope. (2 marks)
  - iv. Relative mass. (2 marks)
- b) By referring to periodic table (see appendix 2) , find for element Ni (nickel), from information obtained :-
- i. Describe the element by its group of element, atomic number, mass number and period. (2 marks)
  - ii. Construct electron configuration for the element by using aufbau's rule. (4 marks)
  - iii. Given the crystal structure of Ni is face centred cube (FCC) with lattice constant  $a = 350 \text{ pm}$  , calculate the radius of Ni atom. (2 marks)
  - iv. Using information from iii), calculate the atomic packing factor of the element. (4 marks)

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**QUESTION 2**

- a) Converting pig iron into steel involves several steps in oxygen furnace.  
Regarding the process :-
- i. List four (4) main component used in the steel production process. (2 marks)
  - ii. Describe the process of steel production from pig iron (5 marks)
- b) Iron with relative mass of 56, can be strengthen by adding carbon which has a relative mass of 12. Regarding to this strengthening methods :-
- i. State the types of hardening mechanism. (2 marks)
  - ii. Illustrate by sketching on how carbon atom will take part in the atomic plane of iron (label your drawings). (4 marks)
  - iii. Explain from your sketching on how carbon addition in iron will make it much stronger. (4 marks)
- c) As an engineer in a metal production company, you have been assigned to proposed a prevention method for products listed below from corrosion. Suggest one (1) method and show how it will protect the metal from corrosion.
- i. Automotive body. (4 marks)
  - ii. Laptop aluminium case. (4 marks)

- d) Describe the Hall-Herot process in converting alumina into aluminium. (9 marks)
- e) Describe for aluminium alloys listed below on term of its major composition and application.
- 1xxx aluminium alloys. (2 marks)
  - 3xxx aluminium alloys. (2 marks)
  - Cast aluminium alloys. (2 marks)

### QUESTION 3

- a) Define for a given term below.
- Mer. (2 marks)
  - Hydrocarbon. (2 marks)
  - Trifunctional mer. (2 marks)
  - Unsaturated hydrocarbon. (2 marks)
  - Co-polymer. (2 marks)
- b) Polymerisation process of ethylene (Figure 1) consist of three (3) steps, which is initiation, propagation and termination. Describe on how a polymer chain will formed by this steps. (12 marks)

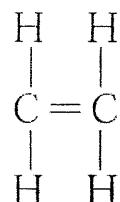


Figure 1

- c) Choose one (1) suitable co-polymer for the applications given and explain why it is suitable for that purpose.
- i. Automotive tyre. (3 marks)
  - ii. Engine seals and gaskets. (3 marks)
  - iii. Tubes for transferring food. (3 marks)
  - iv. Formula 1 racing suit. (3 marks)
- d) Analysis sample taken from polycarbonate manufacturing plant. Given polycarbonate molecular chain formula  $(C_{16}H_{22}O_4)_n$ . Sample of chain molecular weight distribution was taken and tabulated in Table 1. Redraw Table 1 in your answer booklet, and use it to calculate the average molecular weight and degree of polymerisation for the particular sample.
- (6 marks)

Table 1

Molecular weight (gram/mol)	weight fraction
7500	0.06
12500	0.07
17500	0.02
22500	0.20
27500	0.29
32500	0.20
37500	0.20

\*\*\*\*\*END OF QUESTIONS\*\*\*\*\*

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**APPENDIX 1****CRYSTAL PROPERTIES**

$$4R = a\sqrt{3} \quad \text{BCC CRYSTAL}$$

$$4R = a\sqrt{2} \quad \text{FCC CRYSTAL}$$

$$\text{atoms volume} = \text{number of atoms in unit cell} \times \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3$$

$$\text{unit cell volume for BCC and FCC} = a^3$$

$$\text{total atoms mass} = \frac{\text{relative mass}}{N_A} \times \text{number of atom in a unit cell}$$

$$APF = \frac{\text{total atoms volume}}{\text{unit cell volume}}$$

$$\text{density, } \rho = \frac{\text{total atoms mass}}{\text{unit cell volume}}$$

## APPENDIX 2

1	H	2	He
3	4	10	He Helium 4.003
Li Lithium 6.941	Be Beryllium 9.012182	18	Neon Neon 20.1797
11	12	17	Fluorine Fluorine 18.9984032
Na Sodium 22.989770	Mg Magnesium 24.3050	18	Neon Neon 20.1797
19	20	9	F Fluorine 9.84
K Potassium 39.0983	Ca Calcium 40.078	16	Oxygen Oxygen 15.9994
37	38	15	Oxygen Oxygen 15.9994
Rb Rubidium 85.4478	Sr Strontium 87.62	14	Nitrogen Nitrogen 14.00674
55	56	13	Nitrogen Nitrogen 14.00674
Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	14	Carbon Carbon 12.0107
87	88	12	Carbon Carbon 12.0107
Fr Francium (223)	Ra Radium (226)	11	Boron Boron 10.811
58	59	5	Boron Boron 10.811
Ce Cerium 140.116	Pr Praseodymium 140.0765	6	Carbon Carbon 12.0107
90	91	6	Carbon Carbon 12.0107
Th Thorium 232.0381	Pa Protactinium 231.0388	7	Nitrogen Nitrogen 14.00674
1	2	8	Oxygen Oxygen 15.9994
H Hydrogen 1.00794	He Helium 4.003	9	Oxygen Oxygen 15.9994
Li Lithium 6.941	Be Beryllium 9.012182	10	He Helium 4.003
Na Sodium 22.989770	Mg Magnesium 24.3050	11	He Helium 4.003
19	20	12	He Helium 4.003
K Potassium 39.0983	Ca Calcium 40.078	13	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
37	38	14	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Rb Rubidium 85.4478	Sr Strontium 87.62	15	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
55	56	16	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	17	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
87	88	18	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Fr Francium (223)	Ra Radium (226)	19	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
58	59	20	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Ce Cerium 140.116	Pr Praseodymium 140.0765	21	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
90	91	22	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Th Thorium 232.0381	Pa Protactinium 231.0388	23	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
1	2	24	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
H Hydrogen 1.00794	He Helium 4.003	25	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Li Lithium 6.941	Be Beryllium 9.012182	26	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Na Sodium 22.989770	Mg Magnesium 24.3050	27	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
19	20	28	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
K Potassium 39.0983	Ca Calcium 40.078	29	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
37	38	30	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Rb Rubidium 85.4478	Sr Strontium 87.62	31	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
55	56	32	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	33	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
87	88	34	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Fr Francium (223)	Ra Radium (226)	35	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
58	59	36	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Ce Cerium 140.116	Pr Praseodymium 140.0765	37	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
90	91	38	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Th Thorium 232.0381	Pa Protactinium 231.0388	39	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
1	2	40	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
H Hydrogen 1.00794	He Helium 4.003	41	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Li Lithium 6.941	Be Beryllium 9.012182	42	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Na Sodium 22.989770	Mg Magnesium 24.3050	43	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
19	20	44	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
K Potassium 39.0983	Ca Calcium 40.078	45	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
37	38	46	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Rb Rubidium 85.4478	Sr Strontium 87.62	47	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
55	56	48	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	49	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
87	88	50	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Fr Francium (223)	Ra Radium (226)	51	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
58	59	52	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Ce Cerium 140.116	Pr Praseodymium 140.0765	53	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
90	91	54	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Th Thorium 232.0381	Pa Protactinium 231.0388	55	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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Li Lithium 6.941	Be Beryllium 9.012182	58	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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19	20	60	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
K Potassium 39.0983	Ca Calcium 40.078	61	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
37	38	62	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Rb Rubidium 85.4478	Sr Strontium 87.62	63	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
55	56	64	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	65	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
87	88	66	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Fr Francium (223)	Ra Radium (226)	67	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
58	59	68	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Ce Cerium 140.116	Pr Praseodymium 140.0765	69	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
90	91	70	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Th Thorium 232.0381	Pa Protactinium 231.0388	71	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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K Potassium 39.0983	Ca Calcium 40.078	77	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
37	38	78	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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55	56	80	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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55	56	96	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	97	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
87	88	98	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Fr Francium (223)	Ra Radium (226)	99	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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19	20	108	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
K Potassium 39.0983	Ca Calcium 40.078	109	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
37	38	110	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Rb Rubidium 85.4478	Sr Strontium 87.62	111	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
55	56	112	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	113	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
87	88	114	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Fr Francium (223)	Ra Radium (226)	115	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
58	59	116	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Ce Cerium 140.116	Pr Praseodymium 140.0765	117	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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Th Thorium 232.0381	Pa Protactinium 231.0388	119	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
1	2	120	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
H Hydrogen 1.00794	He Helium 4.003	121	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Li Lithium 6.941	Be Beryllium 9.012182	122	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Na Sodium 22.989770	Mg Magnesium 24.3050	123	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
19	20	124	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
K Potassium 39.0983	Ca Calcium 40.078	125	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
37	38	126	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Rb Rubidium 85.4478	Sr Strontium 87.62	127	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
55	56	128	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	129	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
87	88	130	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Fr Francium (223)	Ra Radium (226)	131	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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Th Thorium 232.0381	Pa Protactinium 231.0388	135	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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K Potassium 39.0983	Ca Calcium 40.078	141	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
37	38	142	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Rb Rubidium 85.4478	Sr Strontium 87.62	143	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	145	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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Ce Cerium 140.116	Pr Praseodymium 140.0765	149	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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37	38	158	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Rb Rubidium 85.4478	Sr Strontium 87.62	159	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
55	56	160	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Cs Cesium 132.91545	Ba Barium 137.327	161	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
87	88	162	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
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90	91	166	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Th Thorium 232.0381	Pa Protactinium 231.0388	167	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
1	2	168	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
H Hydrogen 1.00794	He Helium 4.003	169	Aluminum Aluminum 26.981538
Li Lithium 6.941	Be Beryllium 9.012182	170</	

