

2018

PHYSICS

( Major )

Paper : 6.2

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

( **Mathematical Methods** )

( Marks : 15 )

1. Answer any *two* from the following :  $1 \times 2 = 2$

(a) In the language of tensors, what is the type of gradient of a scalar field?

(b) What is the total number of independent components of anti-symmetric tensor  $a_{ik}$  in four dimensions?

(c) Mention whether tensors  $a_i^{\mu} x^i$  and  $a_i^{\nu} x^i$  are same or not.

2. Answer any *four* from the following :  $2 \times 4 = 8$

(a) Under transformation of coordinates, mention whether anti-symmetric property of a mixed tensor is conserved or not. Explain with reason.

- (b) If  $A_{km}^{ijp}$  is a tensor, show that  $A_{km}^{kmp}$  is a contravariant vector.
- (c) Show that the contraction of the outer product of tensors  $C^m$  and  $D^q$  is invariant.
- (d) What is the value of  $\delta_i^i$  in 6-dimensional space? Also evaluate  $\delta_j^i \delta_k^j \delta_l^k \delta^l$  in  $N$ -dimensional space.
- (e) Prove that the sum of two tensors of the same type is also a tensor.

3. Answer any *one* from the following : 5

(a) Define inner product of two tensors. Justify whether the following statement is correct or not :  
 "Inner product of two tensors is same as their outer product followed by contraction."  
1+4=5

(b) The Cartesian components of velocity vector of a fluid in motion in a two-dimensional plane are given by  $v_x = x^2$ ,  $v_y = y^2$ . Find the components of the velocity vector in  $(r, \theta)$  polar coordinates. 5

(c) Show that in cylindrical polar coordinates  $(\rho, \phi, \zeta)$

$$\operatorname{div} A^i = \frac{\partial A^\rho}{\partial \rho} + \frac{\partial A^\phi}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\partial A^\zeta}{\partial \zeta} + \frac{A^\rho}{\rho}$$
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( Solid State Physics )

( Marks : 45 )

4. Choose the correct answer from the following : 1×7=7

(a) The coordination number of an SC structure is

(i) 2

(ii) 4

(iii) 6

(iv) 8

(b) If lattice parameters are  $a = b = c$  and  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma \neq 90^\circ$ , the crystal system is

(i) hexagonal

(ii) tetragonal

(iii) orthorhombic

(iv) trigonal

(c) The FCC structure

(i) is primitive

(ii) is non-primitive

(iii) may be either primitive or non-primitive

(iv) None of the above

- (d) Miller indices  $(hkl)$  represent
- (i) a set of parallel planes
  - (ii) a particular plane
  - (iii) a set of arbitrarily oriented planes
  - (iv) None of the above
- (e) Bloch theorem is applicable to
- (i) constant potential
  - (ii) periodic potential
  - (iii) infinite potential
  - (iv) None of the above
- (f) If temperature increases, the electrical conductivity of semiconductor
- (i) increases
  - (ii) decreases
  - (iii) remains constant
  - (iv) reduces to zero

(g) If the susceptibility of a material is independent of temperature, then it is

(i) paramagnetic

(ii) diamagnetic

(iii) ferromagnetic

(iv) ferrimagnetic

5. Give short answers of the following questions :

2×4=8

(a) Find the Miller indices of a plane having intercepts  $8a$ ,  $4b$  and  $2c$  on the respective crystallographic axes.

(b) A crystalline solid diffracts X-ray. Can the solid also diffract visible light? Justify.

(c) Calculate the mean free path of conduction electron of copper. (Given relaxation time =  $2.47 \times 10^{-14}$  sec and average velocity of electrons =  $1.154 \times 10^5$  m/s.)

(d) Define Fermi energy.

6. Give answers of the following questions  
(any two) :  $5 \times 2 = 10$

(a) Explain the formation of metallic bond in solids. All metals are opaque to visible light and have high luster. Explain.  $3+2=5$

(b) What is superconductivity? Show schematically the variation of electrical resistivity with temperature for a superconductor. What is critical temperature?  $2+2+1=5$

(c) Discuss the important conclusions of Kronig-Penney model. 5

(d) What are ferromagnetic domains? Explain  $B-H$  curve with the help of domain theory of a ferromagnetic material.  $1+4=5$

7. Answer the following questions :

(a) Discuss the success and limitations of classical free electron theory of metals. Using classical theory, obtain an expression for resistivity of metal and comment on the result.  $6+3+1=10$

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Or

- (b) Discuss Langevin's theory of paramagnetism and obtain Curie law. 10
- (c) Describe the seven-crystal system with diagram. 10

Or

- (d) Distinguish among metal, semi-conductor and conductor on the basis of band theory. 10

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