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SIXTH SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2023

(CBCSS - UG)

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CC19U PHY6 B14 / CC20U PHY6 B14 - MATERIALS SCIENCE

(Physics - Elective Course) (2019, 2020 Admissions)

Time: 2.00 Hours Maximum: 60 Marks

Credit: 3

Part A (Short answer questions)

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 1. Explain important properties of solid materials.
- 2. Draw the graph of interatomic separation versus potential energy for two atoms.
- 3. Define unit cell.
- 4. What is Burgers vector?
- 5. What is the driving force behind the diffusion process?
- 6. State the applications of Fick's law.
- 7. What are the different clay products?
- 8. What are Fullerenes?
- 9. What is meant by unsaturated hydrocarbon?
- 10. Define diffraction with example.
- 11. Give a short note on optical microscopy.
- 12. Differentiate between transmission electron microscope and scanning electron microscope.

(Ceiling: 20 Marks)

Part B (Short essay questions - Paragraph)

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

- 13. If the atomic radius of aluminum is 0.143 nm, calculate the volume of its unit cell in cubic meters.
- 14. Calculate the theoretical density of Chromium. Given atomic weight 50g/mol, atomic radius 0.125nm.
- 15. What is the composition, in atom percent, of an alloy that consists of 97 wt% Fe and 3 wt% Si?
- 16. Explain the factors that influence the diffusion mechanism.
- 17. Explain the different applications of advanced ceramics.

- 18. Explain the physical characteristics of a polymer based on its structure.
- 19. Make comparisons of thermoplastic and thermosetting polymers (a) on the basis of mechanical characteristics upon heating and (b) according to possible molecular structures.

(Ceiling: 30 Marks)

Part C (Essay questions)

Answer any *one* question. The question carries 10 marks.

- 20. Explain secondary bonding with suitable examples.
- 21. Derive Bragg's law for X-ray diffraction in crystals. Describe and explain rotating crystal method of crystal structure analysis.

 $(1 \times 10 = 10 \text{ Marks})$
