

- (b) What are color centres? How F centres can be produced in an ionic crystal and what are the properties of these centres? What are F' centres? 1+2+2+2 = 7

UNIT - V

9. (a) When a substance is called liquid crystal? Describe the composition of these materials. 2+2 = 4
- (b) Describe the structures of cholesteric mesophases. Name two distinct types of nematic mesophase crystals? How are they differentiated? 4+2+4 = 10
10. (a) When a substance can be called nanomaterial? Classify nanomaterials according to their physical composition? What are the Top-down and bottom-up approaches for the synthesis of nanomaterials? 1+3+2 = 6
- (b) Write notes on any two of the following: 4+4 = 8
- i) Chemical vapour deposition
 - ii) Laser ablation
 - iii) X-ray diffraction technique

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PHYSICS

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(Condensed Matter Physics - I)

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(Answer any five questions, taking one from each unit)

UNIT - I

1. (a) Derive expressions for velocities of longitudinal and transverse elastic waves propagating in the [110] direction. 10
- (b) Show that the deformed coordinate axes are not orthogonal. 4
2. (a) Describe elastic stiffness and elastic compliance constants. Further, show that for a cubic crystal, there are only three independent elastic stiffness constants. 10
- (b) Derive an expression for dilation. 4

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UNIT - II

3. (a) Explain the failure of the Einstein Theory of Specific heat of solids? 2
- (b) How Debye's theory explain the failure of Einstein theory of specific heat? Derive the Debye's expression for the specific heat of a solid. 2+10=12
4. (a) Assuming the inter-particle interaction having cubic and quartic terms, what are the possible scattering process of phonons? Explain the Normal and Umklapp processes? 3+4=7
- (b) What is Thermoluminescence? Explain in detail the mechanism of the phenomenon of Thermoluminescence? 2+5=7

UNIT - III

5. (a) What is the basis or assumptions of Drude-Lorentz free electron theory? Discuss the limitations of free electron theory? 2+2=4
- (b) Explain the Ohm's law and find the expression for electrical conductivity on the basis of Drude-Lorentz free electron theory. 5+5=10
6. (a) How Sommerfield model explains the failure of classical free electron theory? Show that the available electron states between E and E+dE

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for a cubical metal specimen of side L (volume V) as,

$$Z(E)dE = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} E^{\frac{1}{2}} dE \quad 2+5=7$$

- (b) What is the significance of the Fermi-Dirac distribution? Discuss the effect of temperature on the Fermi-Dirac distribution function? 2+5=7

UNIT - IV

7. (a) What do you mean by lattice defects? Classify lattice defects in different categories according to their nature. What are the effects of these defects on the properties of the crystal? 1+2+2 = 5
- (b) What is meant by slip in dislocation? How dislocation line and Burger vector is defined? What is the difference between edge and screw dislocation? 1+2+1 = 4
- (c) Find the equilibrium concentration of vacancies in case of Frenkel defect at temperature T. 5
8. (a) What is meant by diffusion in solids? Explain in short the mechanisms through which the diffusion takes place? Find the frequency of jumping of atoms in a crystal at temperature T undergoing vacancy motion. 1+3+3 = 7

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