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# M Sc DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2021

### **Third Semester**

Faculty of Science
M Sc PHYSICS

## Elective - PH810301 - SOLID STATE PHYSICS FOR MATERIALS

2019 Admission Onwards A6670946

Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

### Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any **eight** questions.

Weight **1** each.

- 1. What is meant by critical resolved shear stress?
- 2. Define surface imperfections
- 3. Write a short note on atomic packing
- 4. Define Fick's second law
- 5. Briefly explain the experimental procedure of the determination of Kirkendaal effect
- 6. What are covalent crystals?
- 7. Explain the formation of hydrogen bonds
- 8. Distinguish between unary and binary phase diagrams
- 9. Distinguish between large and small polarons?
- 10. Explain the quantization of spin waves in a ferrimagnet.?

(8×1=8 weightage)





#### Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any six questions.

Weight 2 each.

- 11. Explain the formation of Colour centres in alkali halides?
- 12. What is meant by dislocation energy?
- 13. Distinguish between polymorphism and polytypism
- 14. Explain the relation between diffusion and ionic conductivity in solids
- 15. Explain the formation of bonds in inert gases
- 16. Explain the method of calculation of the bond dissociation energy of NaCl molecule
- 17. Explain the longitudinal and transverse plasma oscillations
- 18. What are polarons? How they are created?

(6×2=12 weightage)

#### Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any **two** questions.

Weight **5** each.

- 19. What is meant by point defects in crystal lattice? Explain different types of point defects with suitable examples.
- 20. Define the term: repulsive interaction, cohesive energy and equilibrium lattice constant
- 21. Discuss micro-structural changes during cooling using phase diagrams.
- 22. Explain the nature of excitons in a semiconductor. Plot the band diagram and the show the excitons energy levels in the energy level diagram.

(2×5=10 weightage)

