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Answer ALL Questions

PART A - (10 x 1 = 10 Marks)

1. The average velocity acquired by the free electron of a metal in a particular direction during the application of electric field is called CO1- R
(a) terminal velocity (b) drift velocity (c) escape velocity (d) critical velocity
2. The magnitude of Lorentz number is CO1- R
(a) 2.44×10^{-8} (b) $2.44 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W } \Omega \text{ K}$
(c) $2.44 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W } \Omega \text{ K}^{-2}$ (d) $2.44 \times 10^{-6} \text{ W } \Omega \text{ K}^{-2}$
3. Silicon is _____ valent element. CO2- R
(a) penta (b) hexa (c) tri (d) tetra
4. P – type semiconductor is formed by adding _____ impurity in a pure germanium crystal. CO2- R
(a) divalent (b) trivalent (c) tetravalent (d) pentavalent
5. Diamagnetic material possess CO3- R
(a) no induced dipoles even when external field is applied
(b) induced dipoles along field direction
(c) permanent magnetic dipoles
(d) absence of permanent magnetic dipoles

6. Below transition temperature a super conducting material exhibits CO3- R
- (a) zero resistance (b) zero resistance and diamagnetism
- (c) zero resistance and paramagnetism (d) zero resistance and ferromagnetism
7. The unit for permittivity of free space is CO4- R
- (a) dimensionless (b) H / m (c) m / H (d) tesla
8. The main constituents of ceramics are CO4- R
- (a) silicon only (b) non –metallic solids only
- (c) silicon - non metallic solids (d) silicon and ferrous alloys
9. In nanomaterials with decrease of size the inter atomic spacing CO5- R
- (a) decreases (b) increases
- (c) first increases and then decreases (d) remains unchanged
10. The following is an example for bottom-up fabrication of nanoparticles CO5- R
- (a) sol-gel method (b) ball milling (c) nanolithography (d) photolithography

PART – B (5 x 2= 10 Marks)

11. The electrical conductivity of copper at 300 K is $4.8 \times 10^7 / \Omega \text{ m}$ and free electron density is $8.5 \times 10^{28} / \text{m}^3$. Compute the mean free collision time. (mass of the electron = $9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$). CO1- App
12. Differentiate between elemental and compound semiconductors. CO2- Ana
13. The energy product is an important parameter in designing the permanent magnets. Reason out. CO3- Ana
14. Infer the significance of Clausius – Mosotti relation. CO4- R
15. Recognize two properties of nanomaterials. CO5- R

PART – C (5 x 16= 80Marks)

16. (a) (i) Based on the postulates of classical free electron theory, formulate a mathematical expression for electrical conductivity of metals CO1- U (12)
- (ii) Recall four de-merits of classical free electron theory CO1- U (4)
- Or
- (b) (i) With necessary theory, deduce the expression for density of energy states CO1- U (12)
- (ii) Using the classical expressions, verify Wiedemann – Franz law CO1- U (4)

17. (a) Mathematically show that for an intrinsic semiconductor the Fermi level is located exactly at the mid-point of the energy gap CO2 U (16)
- Or
- (b) Based on Hall effect, show that the Hall coefficient is positive for a P-type semiconductor. Also prove that the Hall coefficient is negative for N-type semiconductor. CO2 U (16)
18. (a) (i) Distinguish between para and ferromagnetic materials. CO3- Ana (8)
- (ii) Compare and contrast the hard and soft magnetic materials. CO3- Ana (8)
- Or
- (b) (i) Distinguish between Type – I & II superconductors. CO3- Ana (8)
- (ii) Explain any four properties of super conductors. CO3- Ana (8)
19. (a) (i) Compute the internal field for a cubic crystalline structure CO4- U (10)
- (ii) Abstract the frequency and temperature dependence of polarization CO4- U (6)
- Or
- (b) (i) Classify the three types of ceramic materials. CO4- U (8)
- (ii) Explain the manufacturing of a ceramic material by slip casting method. CO4- U (8)
20. (a) Explain the fabrication of nanoparticles by physical and chemical vapor deposition techniques. CO5- U (16)
- Or
- (b) (i) Illustrate the synthesis of nanomaterials by ball milling technique CO5- U (10)
- (ii) List six applications of nanomaterials. CO5- U (6)

