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Test Series: CSIR NET/JRF Exam Physical Sciences

Test Paper: Solid State Physics

- Instructions:**
1. Attempt all Questions. **Max Marks: 75**
 2. There is a negative marking of 1/4 for each wrong answer.
 3. Each Question carry 5 marks.

Q.1: Assume Carbon atom sit in the $(1/2, 1/2, 0)$ position in BCC structure metal, using radius of carbon atom $r_c = 0.77 \text{ \AA}$ and radius of metal atom $r_m = 1.24 \text{ \AA}$. By what distance each of nearest metal atom be displaced to accommodate the carbon atom?

- (a) 0.40 \AA (b) 0.75 \AA (c) 0.60 \AA (d) 0.80 \AA

Q.2: The planer packing factor of (111) plane in FCC and (110) plane in BCC lattice respectively are-

- (a) 0.91, 0.83 (b) 0.91, 0.78 (c) 0.86, 0.72 (d) 0.74, 0.68

Q.3: What is the Bragg's diffraction condition when X-Rays of wavelength λ are incident on a sample which has interplaner spacing d , for first order diffraction?

- (a) $\frac{\lambda}{2} \geq d$ (b) $\lambda \leq d$ (c) $\frac{\lambda}{2} \leq d$ (d) $\lambda \leq \frac{d}{2}$

Q.4: The third peak from the lower angle side in the X-Ray diffraction pattern of an FCC crystal was observed at $2\theta = 64^\circ$ using $\text{CuK}\alpha$ radiation of wavelength 0.15405 nm . What is the interplaner



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spacing & lattice constant? (Use $\sin 32^\circ = 0.52$)

- (a) 0.231nm, 0.321nm (b) 0.426nm, 0.755nm (c) 0.426nm, 0.965nm (d) 0.829nm, 0.965nm

Q.5: Consider a 2d triangular lattice described by two primitive vectors in an orthogonal co-ordinate system $a_1 = a(1,0)$ & $a_2 = a(1/2, \sqrt{3}/2)$. What is the two primitive lattice vectors b_1 & b_2 respectively describing the reciprocal lattice?

- (a) $\frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{3}a} i^\wedge, \frac{2\pi}{a}(i^\wedge - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge)$ (b) $\frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{3}a} i^\wedge, \frac{2\pi}{a}(i^\wedge - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge)$ (c) $\frac{2\pi}{a} i^\wedge, \frac{2\pi}{a}(\frac{1}{2}i^\wedge - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge)$ (d) $\frac{2\pi}{a} i^\wedge, \frac{2\pi}{a}(i^\wedge - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge)$

Q.6: In Q.5, what is the area of 1st Brillouin Zone?

- (a) $\frac{8\pi^2}{\sqrt{3}a^2} k^\wedge$ (b) $\frac{8\pi^2}{\sqrt{3}a^2} j^\wedge$ (c) $\frac{4\pi^2}{\sqrt{3}a^2} k^\wedge$ (d) $\frac{4\pi^2}{\sqrt{3}a^2} j^\wedge$

Q.7: Direct lattice vectors of Graphene are given as $\mathbf{a} = \frac{3a}{2}(i^\wedge + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge)$ & $\mathbf{b} = \frac{3a}{2}(i^\wedge - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge)$. What are their corresponding reciprocal lattice vectors respectively?

- (a) $\frac{2\pi}{a}(i^\wedge + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge), \frac{2\pi}{a}(i^\wedge - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge)$ (b) $\frac{2\pi}{3a}(i^\wedge + \sqrt{3}j^\wedge), \frac{2\pi}{3a}(i^\wedge - \sqrt{3}j^\wedge)$
 (c) $\frac{4\pi}{a}(i^\wedge + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge), \frac{4\pi}{a}(i^\wedge - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}j^\wedge)$ (d) $\frac{4\pi}{a}(i^\wedge + \sqrt{3}j^\wedge), \frac{4\pi}{a}(i^\wedge - \sqrt{3}j^\wedge)$

Q.8: The energy electronic excitation in 2d sheet of Graphene is given by

$E(\mathbf{k}) = \hbar v k^2$, where v is the velocity of excitation, the density of states is proportional to

- (a) E (B) E^2 (C) $E^{1/2}$ (D) constant

Q.9: The dispersion relation of phonons in a solid is given by

$\omega^2(\mathbf{k}) = \omega_0^2(3 - \cos k_x a - \cos k_y a - \cos k_z a)$. The group velocity of phonons at zone boundary $k = \frac{\pi}{a}$ is-

- (a) $\frac{\omega_0}{\sqrt{3}} a$ (b) $\omega_0 a$ (c) $\frac{\omega_0}{\sqrt{2}} a$ (d) 0

Q.10: While studying diatomic lattice vibrations, the mass of atoms are m & M where $m < M$, a be the lattice spacing between two unidentical atoms. When m decreases, which of the following



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statement is incorrect?

- (a) As m decreases optical branch move upward & acoustical branch does not affected.
- (b) As m tends to zero optical branch disappears & lattice becomes monoatomic lattice with lattice constant $2a$.
- (c) As M increases optical branch unaffected & acoustical branch yields downwards.
- (d) As M tends to infinite optical branch becomes parallel to k -axis & acoustical branch becomes co-inside with k -axis

Q.11: Giving the tight binding dispersion relation $E(k)=E_0+ A \sin 2ka$, where E_0 & A are the constants and a is the lattice parameter. What is the group velocity at the first Brillouin zone boundary?

- (a) 0
- (b) $\pi a A/h$
- (c) $2\pi a A/h$
- (d) $4\pi a A/h$

Q.12: The energy of a hole in a crystal for a particle in k -direction has the form

$E(k)= A- B \cos 2ka$, where A & B are positive constants. The hole has electron like behaviour over the following range of k -

- (a) $\frac{\pi}{4} < ka < \frac{3\pi}{4}$
- (b) $\frac{\pi}{2} < ka < \pi$
- (c) $0 < ka < \frac{\pi}{4}$
- (d) $\frac{\pi}{2} < ka < \frac{3\pi}{4}$

Q.13: A current of I amperes flows in a cylindrical superconducting wire of radius r cm. When the field produced by the current immediately outside the wire is H_C (in gauss) then the critical current is

- (a) $2\pi r H_C$
- (b) $2r H_C$
- (c) $5\pi r H_C$
- (d) $5r H_C$

Q.14: The critical temperature for lead is $7.18K$ and $H_C(0)= 6.5 \times 10^4$ A/m. What is the critical current for a cylindrical wire of lead having diameter of $1mm$ at $4.2K$?

- (a) $85A$
- (b) $96A$
- (c) $107A$
- (d) $114A$

Q.15: The penetration equation is written as $\lambda^2 \nabla^2 B = B$, where λ is the penetration depth. What is $B(x)$ inside the super conducting plate perpendicular to the x axis and of thickness δ (where B_a is the field outside the plate and parallel to it, here $x=0$ is the centre of the plate)?



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(a) $B(x) = 2B_a \frac{\cosh(x/\lambda)}{\cosh(\delta/2\lambda)}$ (b) $B(x) = B_a \frac{\cosh(x/\lambda)}{\cosh(\delta/2\lambda)}$ (c) $B(x) = 2B_a \frac{\cosh(x/\lambda)}{\cosh(\delta/\lambda)}$ (d) $B(x) = B_a \frac{\cosh(x/\lambda)}{\cosh(\delta/\lambda)}$



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