BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI (END SEMESTER EXAMINATION)

CLASS: IMSC SEMESTER: V
BRANCH: PHYSICS SESSION: MO/2024

SUBJECT: PH302 SOLID STATE PHYSICS

TIME: 3 Hours FULL MARKS: 50

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 10 marks and total 50 marks.
- 2. Attempt all questions.
- 3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
- 4. Before attempting the question paper, be sure that you have got the correct question paper.
- 5. Tables/Data hand book/Graph paper etc. to be supplied to the candidates in the examination hall.

Q	.1(a)	What are Miller indices? Determine the interplanar spacing between two parallel planes with Miller indices (h, k, l) in a cubic crystal of side a.	[5]	CO CO1	BL BL2
Q	.1(b)	What are Brillouin zones? What kind of first Brillouin zone will you expect in a two-dimensional rectangular lattice with lattice parameters: $a_1 = a$ i, $a_2 = 2a$ j. Explain it with the help of a diagram.	[5]	CO1	BL5
Q	.2(a)	Explain the phonon dispersion curve for a diatomic lattice with a basis consisting of two atoms of masses m and M (m $<$ M) placed along x-axis with interatomic distance a . Differentiate between its optical and acoustic branches.	[5]	CO2	BL5
Q	.2(b)	How does the Debye model differ from the Einstein model of lattice heat capacity? What is Debye T^3 law?	[5]	CO2	BL2
Q	.3(a)	Derive an expression for paramagnetic susceptibility and define Curie law of Paramagnetism.	[5]	CO3	BL5
Q	.3(b)	Derive the Clausius - Mossotti relation expressing the relationship between dielectric constant and atomic polarizability.	[5]	CO3	BL5
Q	.4(a)	What is piezoelectricity? Why do piezoelectric crystals having centre of inversion show no piezoelectricity?	[5]	CO4	BL2
Q	.4(b)	What is Hall effect? Obtain the Hall coefficient for an n-type semiconductor.	[5]	CO4	BL5
Q	.5(a)	Explain Meissner effect. Differentiate between type I and type II superconductors using the Meissner effect.	[5]	CO5	BL2
Q	.5(b)	What is a Cooper pair? How does it explain the phenomenon of superconductivity in type I superconductors?	[5]	CO5	BL2

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