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9<sup>th</sup> Semester Regular Examination: 2024-25  
SUBJECT: CONDENSED MATTER PHYSICS-I  
BRANCH(S): M.Sc.I.(AP)

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 70

Q.Code: R157

Answer Question No.1 (Part-I) which is compulsory, any five from rest (Part-II)

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Part-I

Q1 Answer the following questions: (2 x 10)

- Discuss the structure of Brillouin zones.
- What is Fermi surface? What is its significance?
- Mention the outcomes of tight binding approximation.
- What is effective mass of electron? Under what conditions the effective mass of an electron becomes positive, negative, and infinity?
- What are plasmons?
- Briefly explain dielectric loss.
- How Bloch theorem is an important tool in understanding the band theory of solids?
- Silicon has electron and hole concentration  $n_0 = p_0 = n_i = 1.0 \times 10^{16}/\text{m}^3$ . Calculate the Hall co-efficient of Si.
- What is drift velocity?
- Differentiate between classical and quantum Hall effect.

Part-II

Long Answer Type Questions (Answer Any five)

- Q2 Write the wave equation for electron in a periodic potential. Explain formation of energy gap in solid using nearly free electron approximation theory. (10)
- Q3 What are Brillouin zones? How is it constructed? Describe and sketch the first Brillouin zone of BCC and FCC lattices. Mention their importance in crystal analysis. (10)
- Q4 a) What is Kohn effect? Derive expression for dielectric constant and show the variation of screening parameter with wave number graphically to explain Kohn effect. (6+4)
- b) State and explain Friedel Sum rule?

- Q5** a) Derive Lindhard's expression for determination of dielectric function of an interacting electron gas. **(5+5)**  
b) What is Static screening? Derive Debye-Huckel formula.
- Q6** a) Derive Boltzmann transport equation. **(5+5)**  
b) Employing Boltzmann transport equation, find an expression for the electronic thermal conductivity of metals.
- Q7** a) Derive an expression for two band magneto resistance model and give its importance. **(5+5)**  
b) Prove thermoelectric effects from transport theory.
- Q8** Write short notes on any two **(5+5)**  
a) Tight binding approximation  
b) De Hass van Alphen effect  
c) Quantum Hall effect