Write short notes on the following: Photovoltaic effect 5 Optical loss and gain 5 Exciton. 5 (c) **Unit IV** Explain, how can you determine band gap of UV-VIS absorption spectroscopy? 10 What are quantum wells? Give some practical examples of quantum wells. 5 Describe Heterojunction and associated band diagrams. 10 Write short note on density of states in 2D, 1D and 0D.

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SEMICONDUCTOR PHYSICS

Time: 3 Hours [Maximum Marks: 75]

Before answering the question-paper candidates should ensure that they have been supplied to correct and complete question-paper. No complaint, in this regard, will be entertained after the examination.

Note: Attempt *Five* questions in all, selecting *one* question from each Unit. Q. No. 1 is compulsory.

1. (a) Explain free electron theory of electrical conductivity in metals.

- (b) What are E-K diagrams?
- (c) Define mean life time of charge carriers in semiconductors.
- (d) Explain optical refractive index and relative dielectric constant.
- (e) What are quantum wires ? $5\times3=15$

Unit I

- 2. (a) Discuss the origin of energy bands in solids. How does it explain the behaviour of metals, semiconductors and insulators?8
 - (b) What is Fermi level? What does it signify? Discuss, how it changes with temperature and concentration of electrons?
- 3. (a) State and explain Kronig-Penny model of solids.
 - (b) Show that the probability that a state ΔE above the Fermi level E_F is filled equals the probability that a state ΔE below is empty.

Unit II

- 4. (a) What do you understand by drift and diffusion currents in a semiconductor?

 Derive Einstein relation relating to these currents.
 - (b) If a sample of silicon is doped with 3×10^{23} Arsenic atoms and 5×10^{23} atoms of Boron, determine the electron concentration if the intrinsic charge carriers are $2\times10^{16}/\text{m}^3$.
- 5. (a) Draw the energy band diagram of an unbiased PN junction. Explain the terms:
 - (i) barrier energy
 - (ii) barrier potential
 - (iii) depletion region. 10
 - (b) How is a Schottky diode different from a PN junction? 5

Unit III

- **6.** (a) Explain the terms:
 - (i) absorption
 - (ii) spontaneous emission
 - (iii) stimulated emission.
 - (b) Derive Fermi-Golden rule. 9

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