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## **UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM AND ENERGY STUDIES End Semester Examination, May 2022**

**Course: Condensed Matter Physics I** 

Program: MSc (Physics)
Course Code: PHYS 7020

Semester: II Time: 03 hours Max. Marks: 100

## **Instructions:**

- All questions are compulsory (Q9 and Q11 have an internal choice).
- Scientific calculators can be used for calculations.

## SECTION A $(5Q \times 4M = 20 \text{ Marks})$

S. No.		Marks	СО
Q1	What is a reciprocal lattice? Discuss some of its important properties.	4	CO1
Q2	A beam of x-rays is incident on a crystal having lattice spacing of 0.3 nm. The first order Bragg reflection is observed at an angle of 10°. What is the wavelength of x-rays? At what angle would the second reflection occur?	4	CO1
Q3	What are the ferroelectric and piezoelectric materials?	4	CO4
Q4	Superconducting critical temperature $T_{\rm c}$ of a sample with an isotopic mass of 204.87 g/mol is 19.2 K. Find $T_{\rm c}$ when isotopic mass changes to 218.87 g/mol.	4	CO5
Q5	With the help of a diagram illustrate how the density of states changes at a superconducting transition.	4	CO5
	SECTION B		
	(4Qx10M= 40 Marks)		
Q6	Find the volume of the first Brillouin zone of a simple cubic lattice.	10	CO1
Q7	Show that the kinetic energy of a three-dimensional gas of N free electrons at 0 K is $U_0 = 3NE_F/5$ .	10	CO2
Q8	Calculate the Debye specific heat of copper at 10 K, given that the	10	CO2

	Debye characteristic frequency is 6.55 x 10 <sup>12</sup> Hz.			
Q9	Derive the London equations for a superconductor and explain London's penetration depth.			
	OR	10	CO5	
	Derive a relation between the thermodynamic critical field and entropy difference between the superconducting and normal states.			
SECTION-C				
(2Qx20M=40 Marks)				
Q10	Write short notes on			
	a) Crystal momentum			
	b) Electron orbits and hole orbits	20	CO3	
	c) Fermi surface and its importance			
	d) Effective mass of an electron			
Q11	a) What are the characteristics of a ferromagnet. Discuss the magnetic domains and hysteresis in a ferromagnetic material. (10 M)			
	b) Discuss Van Vleck paramagnetism and Pauli spin paramagnetism. (10 M)	20	CO4	
	OR			
	Within the context of dielectrics discuss the local electric field in an atom. Discuss the Lorentz relation.			