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PSP 5405

Condensed Matter Physics-I

Time: 3hr

Max.Mark:75

Part - A

Answer any FIVE from the following questions.

(5 x 15=75)

1. What are Bravais lattices? Explain the Bravais lattices for seven crystal systems with a neat sketch.
2. Obtain Laue's equations for x-ray diffraction by crystals. Show that these are consistent with Bragg's law.
3. Derive an expression for binding energy of an ionic crystal and obtain the expression for Madelung constant.
4. What are the assumptions of Debye model? Describe the Debye's theory of lattice heat capacity.
5. Describe the thermal conductivity of phonon in detail.
6. Discuss the formation of allowed and forbidden energy bands on the basis of Kronig-Penny model.
7. Explain how to determine the intrinsic carrier concentration in a semiconductor.
