

**M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2018**  
**II Year IV Semester**  
**Core Major**  
**CONDENSED MATTER PHYSICS**

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**Max.marks :75**

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9. What is a cooper pair?
10. What are SQUIDS?
11. What are inert gas crystals?
12. What is diamagnetism?

**Section B** ( $5 \times 5 = 25$ ) Marks

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15. Give the band theory of metals and semiconductors.
16. Discuss about Quenching of orbital angular momentum.
17. Derive first London equation and explain its significance.
18. Explain Hall effect.
19. Explain Meissner effect.

**Section C** ( $3 \times 10 = 30$ ) Marks

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