

**M.Sc DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019**  
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**Condensed Matter Physics**

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**Max.marks :75**

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9. Give the state of electrons below and above the transition temperature of superconductors.
10. What is isotopic effect in superconductivity?
11. Define atomic packing factor.
12. What are free electrons?

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14. Explain about Umklapp scattering.
15. Show that the Hall voltage is directly proportional to the applied magnetic field and the current through the specimen for a fixed thickness of the specimen.
16. Give an account of ferromagnetic interactions based on exchange field and hence obtain the Curie-Weiss law.
17. Derive London equation.
18. Establish the relations between  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $a^*$ ,  $b^*$ ,  $c^*$ .
19. Discuss about BCS theory.

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

Answer any **THREE** questions

20. (i) Prove that the reciprocal lattice to BCC is FCC. (ii) Find the reciprocal lattice to FCC and hence find its first Brillouin zone.
21. Describe the Debyes theory of lattice heat capacity.
22. Obtain an expression for concentration of charge carriers in intrinsic semiconductors and find the intrinsic electrical conductivity.
23. Discuss in detail about quantum theory of para-magnetism.
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