

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

M.Sc. CHEMISTRY

CH H 503: SOLID STATE CHEMISTRY

COURSE OUTCOME:

- It is an interdisciplinary course falling at the boundary of physics and chemistry.
- It is aimed at understanding the properties of solids and their possible applications in materials science as superconductors, semiconductors, liquid crystal materials and as magnetic materials.
- Importance has been given to the methods of preparation of solids, understanding the structure-property relationships and their possible applications.
- Importance has also been given to the advanced topics of nanomaterials.

UNIT-I:[15hours]

Surface morphology: Structure of solid surfaces and adsorbed layers. Mechanism of surface reactions. 3hrs.

Crystal Defects and Non-Stoichiometry: Imperfections and defects in crystals. Vacancy, Schottky and Frenkel defects. Thermodynamics of Schottky and Frenkel defect formation, colour centres, non-stoichiometry and defects–Structures of UO2, FeO and TiO2.

4hrs.

Solid State Reactions: General Principles, Wagner's theory. Order- disorder transitions in solids- Bragg- William's theory Mechanism of diffusion, Kirkendall effect. 3 hrs

Preparative Methods: Ceramic, sol-gel, precursor and chemical vapour deposition (CVD) methods. Nucleation & crystal growth techniques-pulling, zoning, flame fusion & skull melting. Basic methods of preparation of thin films. 5 hrs

UNIT-II:[15hours]

Electronic Properties and Band Theory: Free electron theory to band theory of solids, electrical conductivity, Hall effect. Metals, Insulators and Semiconductors. Intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductors, hopping semiconductors. Metal – semiconductor and p-n junctions.

6 hrs

Magnetic properties: Classification of magnetic materials-dia, para, ferro, ferri, antiferro & antiferri magnetic types Langevin diamagnetism. Selected magnetic materials such as spinels & garnets. 4hrs **Ionic Conductors:** Types of ionic conductors, mechanism of ionic

conduction, diffusion superionic conductors; phase transitions and mechanism of conduction in superionic conductors, examples- \Box -alumina, AgI, halide and oxide ion conductors 5 hrs

UNIT - III:

Superconductivity: Meissner effects; Types I and II superconductors, Features of superconductors, isotope effect, high Tc materials. Basics of low temperature superconductivity. 5hrs.

Liquid Crystals: Mesomorphic behaviour, thermotropic liquid crystals, positional order, bond orientational order, nematic and smecticmeso phases; smectic – nematic transition and clearing temperature- homeotropic, planar and schlieren textures, twisted nematics chiral nematics, molecular arrangements in smectic A & C phases. Optical properties of liquid crystals

Nanomaterials: Introduction-importance and characterization of nanomaterials-stability of nanoparticles In solutions – synthesis of metal nanomaterials: Physical methods (Laser Ablation, Evaporation, sputtering and solvated metal dispersion) chemical methods (Thermolysis, Sonochemical approach, reduction of metal ions by hydrogen and methanol) 5hrs.

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