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Special Instructions :

This paper consists of **SIX (6)** questions. Answer any **FOUR (4)** questions in the answer booklet provided. All questions carry equal marks.

Materials permitted : Calculator

Materials provided : Periodic Table

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Question 1

- (a) Metallic bonds one of the primary bonds that can be formed between atoms.
- (i) Sketch a schematic of the metallic bond. (3 marks)
- (ii) Describe how a metallic bond is formed. (5 marks)
- (iii) Name the other types of primary bonds. (2 marks)
- (b) Copper is added to silver to create sterling silver, which is stronger and more durable. The amount of copper added is 7.5 wt %. A sterling silver spoon has a mass of 100 grams. Calculate the number of copper and silver atoms in the spoon. (6 marks)
- (c) What is the chemical formula of an intermetallic compound that consists of 37 wt % Ti and 63 wt % Al? (9 marks)

Question 2

- (a) Write the electron configuration of the following atoms and ions using *spdf* notation.
- (i) Mo and Mo⁴⁺ (4 marks)
- (ii) Se⁶⁺ and Se²⁻ (4 marks)
- (b) A metallic element can have different crystal arrangements, like the face-centered cubic (FCC). For an FCC unit cell,
- (i) How many atoms are inside the cell? (2 marks)
- (ii) What is the coordination number for the atoms? (2 marks)

- (iii) What is the relationship between the length of the side a and the radius of atoms in the cell? (4 marks)
- (iv) Calculate the atomic packing factor. (4 marks)
- (c) Draw in a unit cube a crystal plane that has Miller index of $[3\bar{2}1]$. (5 marks)

Question 3

- (a) The solidification of metals is a key process in producing engineering metals.
- (i) Describe and sketch the three stages of this process. (6 marks)
- (ii) Explain how the degree of undercooling affects the critical size of the nucleus. (2 marks)
- (iii) What is the difference between a nucleus and an embryo? (2 marks)
- (b) Describe and sketch the following types of defects that can be present in a metal.
- (i) Vacancy (3 marks)
- (ii) Interstitialcy (3 marks)
- (c) Calculate the number of atoms in a critically sized nucleus for the homogeneous nucleation of pure iron. Iron forms a BCC structure with atomic radius of 9.72 nm. (9 marks)

Question 4

- (a) The temperature of 1 kg of the alloy shown in Figure Q4 (a) is lowered slowly until the liquid-solution composition is 18 wt % B and the solid-solution composition is 66 wt % B.

Calculate the amount of each phase.

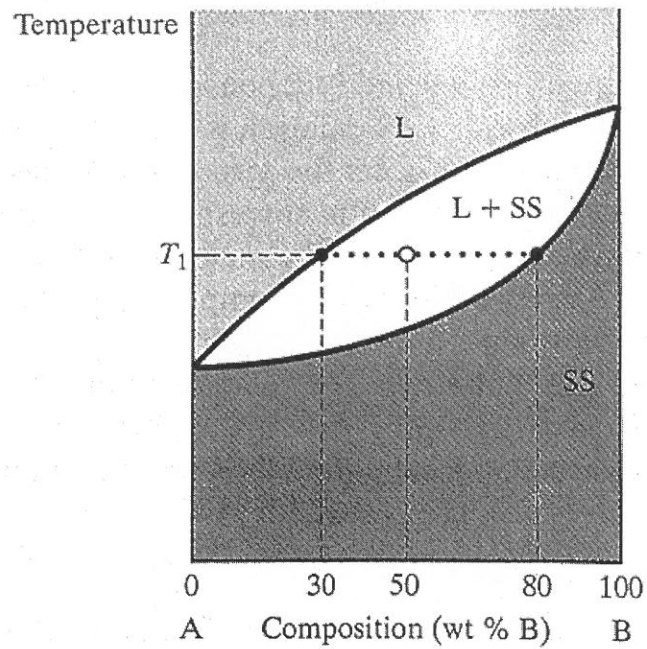


Figure Q4 (a)

(6 marks)

- (b) For 1 kg of eutectoid steel at room temperature, calculate the amount of each phase (α and Fe_3C) presents. Refers to the diagram shown in Figure Q4 (b).

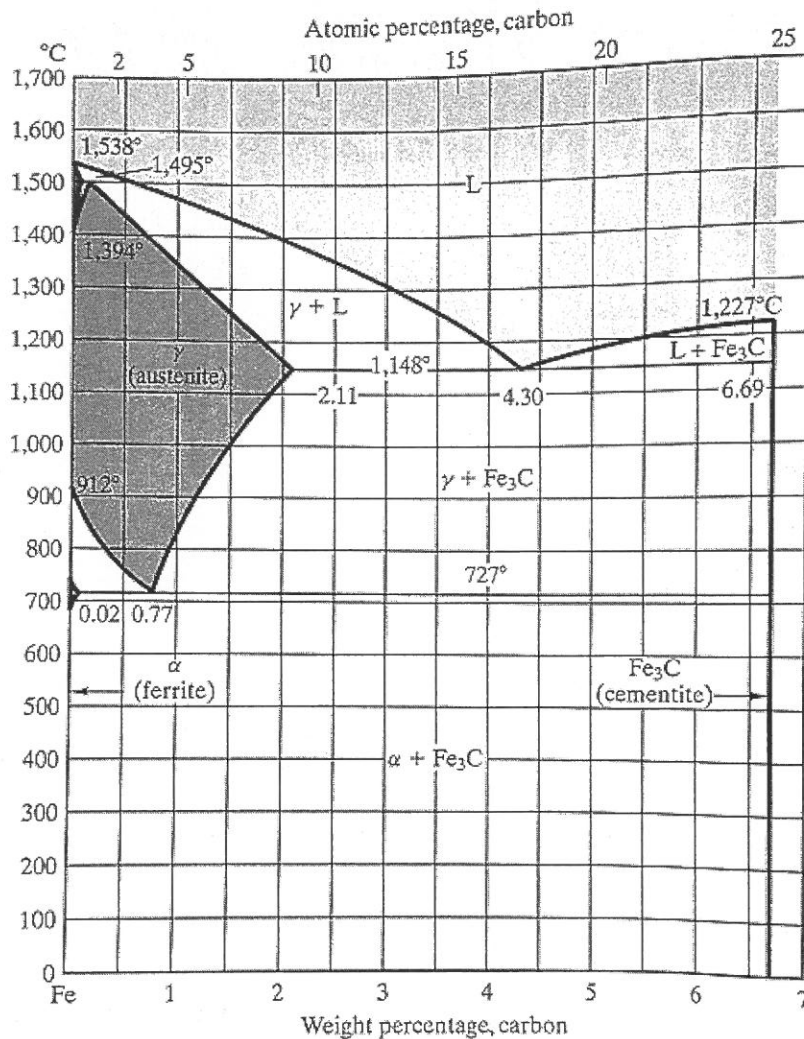


Figure Q4 (b).

(6 marks)

- (c) From Figure Q4 (c), determine:

- the solubility of tin in solid lead (Pb) at 100°C. (2 marks)
- the maximum solubility of lead (Pb) in solid tin (Sn). (2 marks)
- the amount of β that forms if a Pb - 10% Sn alloy is cooled to 0°C. (3 marks)
- the masses of tin contained in the α and β phases. (3 marks)
- the mass of lead contained in the α and β phases. (3 marks)

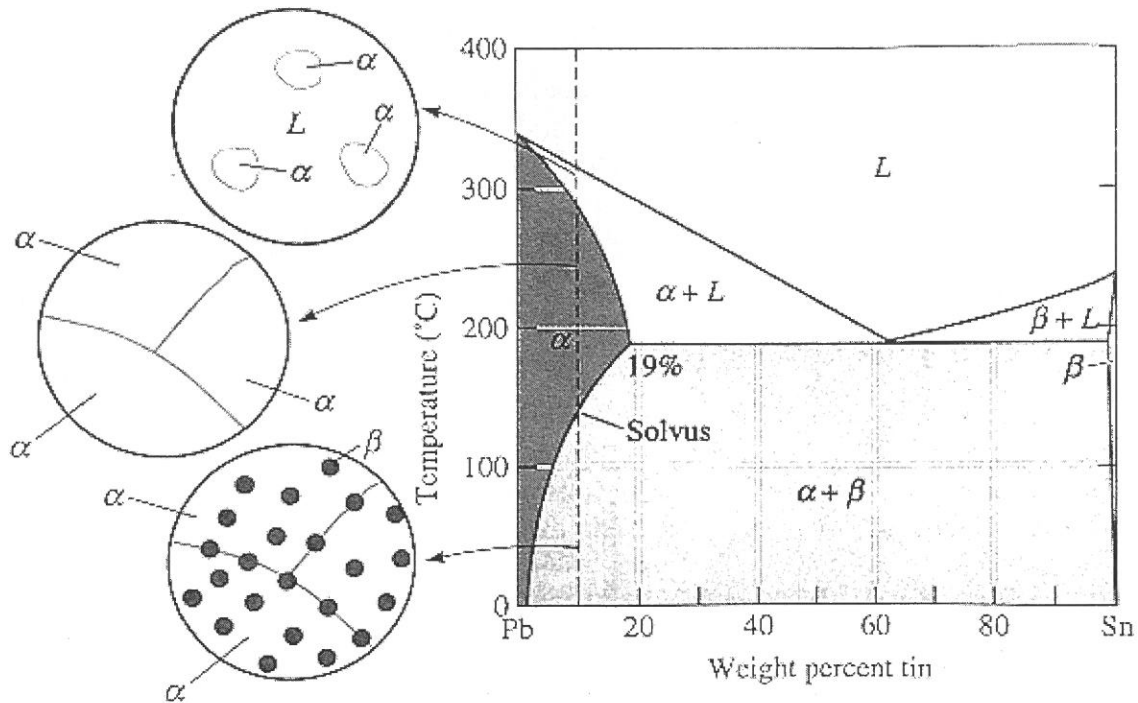


Figure Q4 (c)

Question 5

- (a) Distinguish between natural aging and artificial aging for a precipitation metal hardening (4 marks)
- (b) If a particular type of polyethylene has a molecule mass of 150000 g/mol, what is its degree of polymerization (DP)? (5 marks)
- (c) Distinguish between a homopolymer and a copolymer. (2 marks)
- (d) Illustrate the following types of copolymers by using filled and open circles for their mers:
- random,
 - alternating,
 - block, and
 - graft.

(8 marks)

- (e) List **SIX (6)** mechanical properties of ceramic materials? (6 marks)

Question 6

- (a) Design an electrical transmission line 1500 m long that will carry a current of 50 A with no more than 5×10^5 W loss in power. The electrical conductivity of several materials is shown in Table Q6 (a). (8 marks)

	σ ($\text{ohm}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$)	A (cm^2)	Diameter (cm)
Aluminum	3.77×10^5	0.00199	0.050
Copper	5.98×10^5	0.00125	0.040
Silver	6.80×10^5	0.00110	0.037

Table Q6 (a)

- (b) Write equations for the
- macroscopic. (3 marks)
 - microscopic forms of Ohm's law. (3 marks)

Define the symbols in each of the equations and indicate their SI units.

- (c) Assuming all of the valence electrons contribute to current flow :
- calculate the mobility of an electron in copper. (3 marks)
 - calculate the average drift velocity for electrons in a 100 cm copper wire when 10 V are applied. (2 marks)

(d) Twenty-cm-long rod with a diameter of 0.250 cm is loaded with a 5000 N weight. If the diameter decreases to 0.210 cm, determine:

- (i) the engineering strain at this load and
- (ii) the modulus of elasticity.

(6 marks)

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APPENDIX 1

PERIODIC TABLE

KEY		Atomic Number	Symbol of element	Name of element
79	Au	197.0		Gold
1	H	1.008		Hydrogen
2	He	4.003		Helium
3	Li	6.941		Lithium
4	Be	9.012		Beryllium
11	Na	22.99		Sodium
12	Mg	24.31		Magnesium
19	K	39.10		Potassium
20	Ca	40.08		Calcium
21	Sc	44.96		Scandium
22	Ti	47.88		Titanium
23	V	50.94		Vanadium
24	Cr	52.00		Chromium
25	Mn	54.94		Manganese
26	Fe	55.85		Iron
27	Co	58.93		Cobalt
28	Ni	58.69		Nickel
29	Cu	63.55		Copper
30	Zn	65.39		Zinc
31	Ga	69.72		Gallium
32	Ge	72.59		Germanium
33	As	74.92		Arsenic
34	Se	78.96		Selenium
35	Br	79.90		Bromine
36	Kr	83.80		Krypton
37	Rb	85.47		Rubidium
38	Sr	87.62		Strontium
39	Y	88.91		Yttrium
40	Zr	91.22		Zirconium
41	Nb	92.91		Niobium
42	Mo	95.94		Molybdenum
43	Tc	98.91		Technetium
44	Ru	101.1		Ruthenium
45	Rh	102.9		Rhodium
46	Pd	106.4		Palladium
47	Ag	107.9		Silver
48	Cd	112.4		Cadmium
49	In	114.8		Indium
50	Sn	118.7		Tin
51	Sb	121.8		Antimony
52	Te	127.6		Tellurium
53	I	126.9		Iodine
54	Xe	131.3		Xenon
55	Cs	132.9		Cesium
56	Ba	137.3		Barium
57	La	138.9		Lanthanum
72	Hf	178.5		Hafnium
73	Ta	180.9		Tantalum
74	W	183.9		Tungsten
75	Re	186.2		Rhenium
76	Os	190.2		Osmium
77	Ir	192.2		Iridium
78	Pt	195.1		Platinum
79	Au	197.0		Gold
80	Hg	200.6		Mercury
81	Tl	204.4		Thallium
82	Pb	207.2		Lead
83	Bi	209.0		Bismuth
84	Po	—		Polonium
85	At	—		Astatine
86	Rn	—		Radon
87	Fr	—		Francium
88	Ra	226.0		Radium
89	Ac	—		Actinium
90	Th	232.0		Thorium
91	Pa	231.0		Protactinium
92	U	238.0		Uranium
93	Np	237.0		Neptunium
94	Pu	—		Plutonium
95	Am	—		Americium
96	Cm	—		Curium
97	Bk	—		Berkelium
98	Cf	—		Californium
99	Es	—		Einsteinium
100	Fm	—		Fermium
101	Md	—		Mendelevium
102	No	—		Nobelium
103	Lr	—		Lawrencium
58	Ce	140.1		Cerium
59	Pr	140.9		Praseodymium
60	Nd	144.2		Neodymium
61	Pm	—		Promethium
62	Sm	150.4		Samarium
63	Eu	152.0		Europlum
64	Gd	157.3		Gadolinium
65	Tb	158.9		Terbium
66	Dy	162.5		Dysprosium
67	Ho	164.9		Holmium
68	Er	167.3		Erbium
69	Tm	168.9		Thulium
70	Yb	173.0		Ytterbium
71	Lu	175.0		Lutetium

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