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Programmes : **DIPLOMA IN ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING (DEE)**

Course : **EGM1182: STRUCTURES AND PROPERTIES OF MATERIAL**

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Duration : 2 Hours

Special Instructions :

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

**Students are not allowed to remove this question paper from the examination venue.**

Materials permitted :  
Non Programmable Scientific Calculator

Materials provided:  
Nil

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**Question 1**

- (a) Briefly describe the following types of secondary bonding:  
 (i) fluctuating dipole, and  
 (ii) permanent dipole. (5 marks)
- (b) Write the electron configurations of the following elements and ion by using *spdf* notation:  
 (i) Yttrium,  
 (ii) Hafnium (6 marks)
- (c) What is the chemical formula of an intermetallic compound that consists of 15.68 wt % Mg and 84.32 wt % Al? (8 marks)
- (d) Describe the ionic bonding process between a pair of Na and Cl atoms. Which electrons are involved in the bonding process? (6 marks)

**Question 2**

- (a) Cadmium at 20°C has a HCP structure with atoms of radius of 0.148 nm. Calculate the volume of unit cell of cadmium. Assume that the atomic packing factor for HCP crystal structure is 0.74 (5 marks)
- (b) Assuming that all the valence electrons contribute to the current flow in copper (FCC structure):  
 (i) Calculate the mobility of an electron in copper  
 (ii) Calculate the average drift velocity for electrons in a 100cm copper wire when 10V are applied

Calculate the above with the given resistivity of copper at 0°C is  $1.67 \times 10^{-6} \Omega \cdot \text{cm}$ , charge of electron at  $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ , lattice constant for copper is  $3.62 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$ .

(7 marks)

- (c) From the relationship of length,  $a$  and the atomic radius,  $R$  of a face-centered unit cell (FCC), calculate the radius of an iridium atom. Given that Ir has a FCC crystal structure, a volume density of  $22.4 \text{ g/cm}^3$ , and an atomic weight of  $192.2 \text{ g/mol}$ .  
(5 marks)

- (d) Calculate the electrical conductivity of pure copper at:  
(iii)  $400^\circ\text{C}$   
(iv)  $-100^\circ\text{C}$

Comment on your results obtained in terms of the effect of temperature on conductivity of copper with the given resistivity of copper at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  is  $1.67 \times 10^{-6} \Omega \cdot \text{cm}$  and its temperature resistivity coefficient is  $0.0068/^\circ\text{C}$ .

(8 marks)

**Question 3**

- (a) Draw in unit cubes the crystal planes that have the following Miller indices:

- (i)  $(3\bar{2}1)$   
(ii)  $(\bar{2}1\bar{2})$

(4 marks)

- (b) Sketch the following direction vectors within a cubic unit cell.

- (i)  $[1\bar{1}\bar{1}]$   
(ii)  $[1\bar{1}0]$   
(iii)  $[\bar{1}2\bar{1}]$

(6 marks)

- (c) Describe and illustrate the following imperfections that can exist in crystal lattices:

- (i) Frenkel imperfection, and  
(ii) Schottky imperfection.

(8 marks)

- (d) Describe and illustrate with the aid of sketches, the solidification process of a pure metal in terms of the nucleation and growth of crystals.

(7 marks)

**Question 4**

- (a) Distinguish between homogeneous and heterogeneous nucleation for the solidification of a pure metal.

(4 marks)

- (b) Describe edge-type dislocations and screw-type dislocations. What type of strain fields surround both types of dislocations? Suitable diagrams can be used to assist your illustrations.

(9 marks)

(c) If 500 g of a 40 wt % Ag–60 wt % Cu alloy is slowly cooled from 1000°C to just below 780°C (refer to Figure 4 (a)):

- (i) How many grams of liquid and proeutectic alpha are present at 850°C?
- (ii) How many grams of liquid and proeutectic alpha are present at 780°C +  $\Delta T$ ?
- (iii) How many grams of alpha are present in the eutectic structure at 780°C -  $\Delta T$ ?
- (iv) How many grams of beta are present in the eutectic structure at 780°C -  $\Delta T$ ?

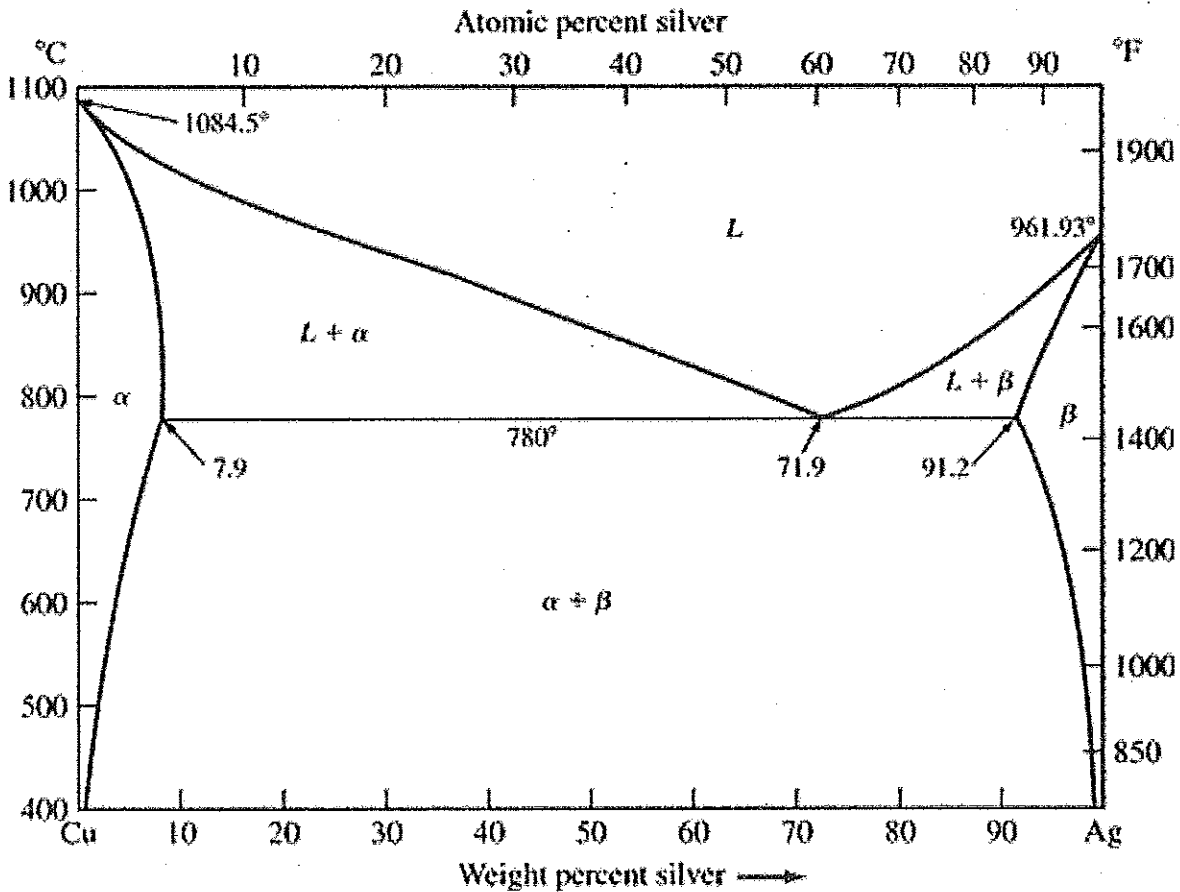


Figure 4 (a)

(12 marks)

### Question 5

(a) Distinguish between traditional ceramic and engineering ceramic materials and for each type of ceramic, gives TWO (2) examples.

(6 marks)

(b) For a ceramic compound, what are the two characteristics of the component ions that determine the crystal structure?

(4marks)

(c) Refer to Figure 5 (a). Define the following phases that exist in the Fe-Fe<sub>3</sub>C phase diagram:

- (i) austenite,
- (ii)  $\alpha$  ferrite,
- (iii) cementite,
- (iv)  $\delta$  ferrite.

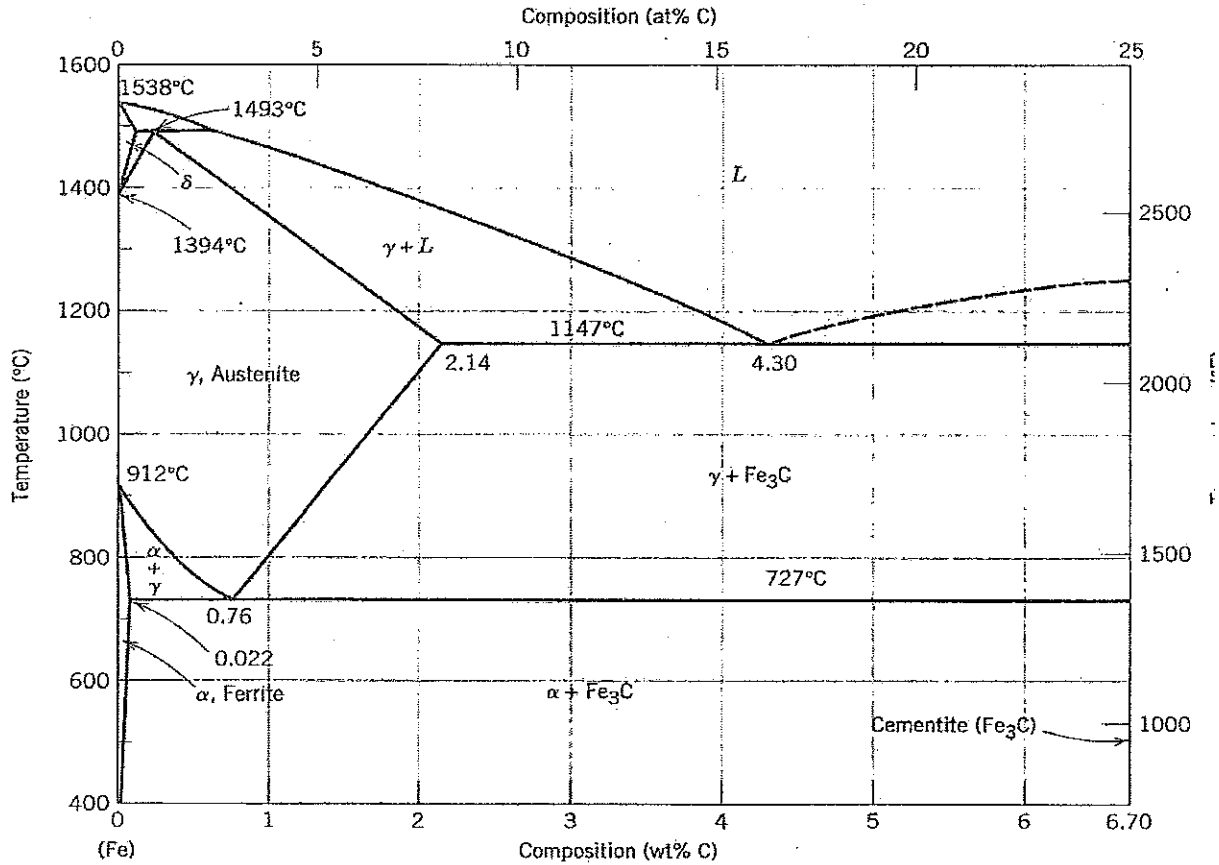


Figure 5 (a)

(12 marks)

(d) Write the Ohm's law equations for the

- (i) macroscopic form and
- (ii) microscopic form.

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

(3 marks)

**Question 6**

- (a) A 0.505-in.-diameter aluminum alloy test bar is subjected to a load of 25,000 lb. If the diameter of the bar is 0.490 in. at this load, determine  
(i) the engineering stress and engineering strain and  
(ii) the true stress and true strain. (9 marks)
- (b) Explain the difference between thermoplastic and thermosetting plastics. (4 marks)
- (c) Sketch the mer structure for the following polymers:  
(i) Polyethylene  
(ii) Polyvinyl fluoride (4 marks)
- (d) Explain, using an energy-band diagram, how electrons and electron holes are created in pairs in intrinsic silicon. (8marks)

**—THE END—**

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APPENDIX I

PERIODIC TABLE

1	H 1.008 Hydrogen	2	He 4.003 Helium
3	Li 6.941 Lithium	4	Be 9.012 Beryllium
5	B 10.81 Boron	6	C 12.01 Carbon
7	N 14.01 Nitrogen	8	O 16.00 Oxygen
9	F 19.00 Fluorine	10	Ne 20.18 Neon
11	Na 22.99 Sodium	12	Mg 24.31 Magnesium
13	Al 26.98 Aluminium	14	Si 28.09 Silicon
15	P 30.97 Phosphorus	16	S 32.07 Sulfur
17	Cl 35.45 Chlorine	18	Ar 39.95 Argon
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	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 Europium	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	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	104	Rf — Rutherfordium

KEY

Atomic Number	79	Au	Symbol of element
Atomic Mass	197.0	Gold	Name of element

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 Europium	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
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

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