

**2024**  
**M.Sc.**  
**Fourth Semester**  
 DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE – 04  
**CHEMISTRY**  
*Course Code: MCHD 4.21*  
 (Nano Chemistry & Polymer Science)

*Total Mark: 70*  
*Time: 3 hours*

*Pass Mark: 28*

*Answer five questions, taking one from each unit.*

**UNIT-I**

1. (a) Discuss the application of nanomaterials and nanotechnology in modern science. 6
- (b) Explain how aluminium oxide is used as nanomaterial. 5
- (c) Write short note on surface plasmon. 3
2. (a) Give a detail account of carbon nanotubes with examples. 5
- (b) Explain how magnesium oxide is used as nanomaterial. 5
- (c) Write short notes on the following: 2×2=4
  - (i) Quantum confinement
  - (ii) Quantum size effects

**UNIT-II**

3. (a) Discuss the top-down and bottom-up approaches for the synthesis of nanomaterials. 6
- (b) Explain the mechanism for nanoparticle synthesis inside the reverse micelles. 5
- (c) Briefly describe sono-chemical method. 3
4. (a) Give the mechanism for nanoparticle synthesis inside the co-precipitation method. 5
- (b) Explain solvothermal method for the synthesis of nanoparticles. 5
- (c) Describe briefly how reverse micelle work as nano reactor. 4

### UNIT-III

5. (a) Discuss in detail the geometrical structure of polymer. 5  
(b) Elaborate on the change of state in polymeric material with change in temperature. 5  
(c) "Swelling and the extend of swelling is controlled by two opposing factors, osmotic pressure  $\Pi$  and elasticity of polymeric chain  $\sigma$ ." Justify. 4
6. (a) Explain how the three (3) parameters namely temperature, amount of catalyst and role of polymerization control the molecular weight or size of the polymer molecule during polymerization. 6  
(b) Discuss how to determine the transition of glass temperature ( $T_g$ ) by free volume method. 5  
(c) Suggest three (3) application of swelling phenomenon of polymers for human use. 3

### UNIT-IV

7. (a) Explain Florry-Huggin's and lattice theory of polymer solution. 6  
(b) Discuss the TGA and DTA method for determining the molecular weight of polymers. 6  
(c) Write a note on entropy of mixing. 2
8. (a) Discuss how to determine the molecular weight and molecular dimension using light scattering method. 6  
(b) Briefly explain polymer degradation and stabilization. 6  
(c) Write a note on enthalpy of mixing. 2

### UNIT-V

9. (a) Discuss in detail the behaviour of an ideal or Newtonian fluid with the help of applied stress and the amount of strain or deformation. 6  
(b) Explain the creep and relaxation of a typical plastics with the help of an experimental curve model. 5  
(c) Write short note on the role of stress and strain in the control of polymer deformation. 3

10. (a) Explain power law. Illustrate with a plot of  $\log \tau_s$  versus  $\log (d\gamma_s / dt)$  for different types of fluid materials. 6
- (b) Suggest a method for measurement of rheological properties of fluid. 4
- (c) Discuss the flow behaviour of a real fluid or non-Newtonian fluid. 4
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