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CHEMISTRY

CHE 3E.03: Polymers and Material Chemistry

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 60

SECTION - A

Answer all questions. Each question carries one mark :

- 1. How does cellobiose differ from maltose?
- 2. What are the starting materials for Bakelite?
- 3. Polydispersity index of a polymer is unity. What does it mean?
- 4. Name any material which is used as the gel in gel permeation chromatography.
- 5. Show a curing reaction of any one polymer.
- 6. Why PVC is highly susceptible to thermal degradation?
- 7. Give an example of a hybrid composite.
- 8. Give the composition of a copper base casting alloy.

 $(8 \times 1 = 8)$

SECTION - B

Answer any eight questions. Answer may be in two or three sentences. Each question carries two marks :

- 9. Give an example of ring opening polymerization.
- 10. What is glass transition temperature of polymers?

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- 11. What is the basic structural difference between starch and cellulose?
- Differentiate between weight average molecular weight and number average molecular weight.
- 13. What is the driving force for polymer solubility?
- 14. Name the factors which affect the swelling of polymers.
- 15. What are polymer blends? Give examples.
- 16. Give an example for hydrolytic degradation of polymer.
- Give two specific examples for the reaction of functional groups on polymeric chains.
- 18. Comment about optical property of any specific engineering material.
- Classify ceramic materials.
- 20. Distinguish between ferromagnetism and paramagnetism.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

SECTION - C

Answer any four questions, each in a paragraph. Each question carries 3 marks :

- 21. How various intermolecular forces affect the physical properties of polymers?
- Illustrate how Ziegler Natta catalyst can be employed to synthesize an isotactic polymer.
- 23. Discuss the relevance of measurement of viscosity of polymer solution.
- Explain briefly the principle and process of ultracentrifugation of a polymeric product.
- 25. Briefly explain two vulcanization methods used in rubber industry.
- 26. Discuss the bulk polymerization process and list the advantages and drawbacks.
- 27. Write a short note on the bearing materials.
- Demonstrate the importance of refractories, taking the example of tungsten based materials. (4x3=12)



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SECTION - D

Answer either A or B of each question. Each question carries 6 marks :

29. A) Explain briefly the mechanism and kinetics of radical chain polymerization.

OR

- B) Enumerate and discuss the mechanical properties exhibited by crystalline polymers.
- 30. A) Discuss the Flory Huggins theory of polymer solution.

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- B) How the measurement of colligative properties can be utilized to calculate the average molecular weight of polymers?
- 31. A) Discuss various methods of degradation of polymers.

OR

- B) Discuss the importance of various types of post-synthetic modification of polymers.
- 32. A) List and elaborate various die-casting alloys used in the tool and die industry.

OR

 B) Write a note on the properties and applications of various classes of composite materials. (4×6=24)

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