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# B.M.S. College of Engineering, Bengaluru-560019

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## January 2024 Semester End Main Examinations

**Programme: B.E.**

**Branch: Institutional Elective**

**Course Code: 21CY7OENMA**

**Course: Nanomaterials - Synthesis, Characterization and Applications**

**Semester: VII**

**Duration: 3 hrs.**

**Max Marks: 100**

**Instructions:** 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each unit.  
2. Missing data, if any, may be suitably assumed.

| <b>UNIT - I</b>   |    |   | <b>CO</b>  | <b>PO</b>  | <b>Marks</b> |
|-------------------|----|---|------------|------------|--------------|
| 1                 | a) | Discuss the classification of nanomaterials based on its dimension with suitable examples.                          | <i>CO1</i> | <i>PO1</i> | <b>6</b>     |
|                   | b) | Explain the history and future scope of nanomaterials.  | <i>CO1</i> | <i>PO1</i> | <b>7</b>     |
|                   | c) | Analyze the following size dependent properties of nanomaterials: (i) Optical properties (ii) surface area          | <i>CO2</i> | <i>PO5</i> | <b>7</b>     |
| <b>UNIT - II</b>  |    |   |            |            |              |
| 2                 | a) | Explain the synthesis of metal oxide nanoparticles through bottom-up approach. Mention any two disadvantages of it. | <i>CO1</i> | <i>PO1</i> | <b>6</b>     |
|                   | b) | What are carbon nanotubes? Explain the classification of CNTs. Give any two applications of CNTs.                   | <i>CO1</i> | <i>PO1</i> | <b>7</b>     |
|                   | c) | Describe magnetron sputtering technique with a neat sketch.   | <i>CO2</i> | <i>PO5</i> | <b>7</b>     |
| <b>OR</b>         |    |   |            |            |              |
| 3                 | a) | Explain the synthesis of $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ nanoparticles through combustion method.                           | <i>CO2</i> | <i>PO5</i> | <b>6</b>     |
|                   | b) | Discuss the principle and synthesis of nanomaterials through Co-Precipitation method with a suitable example.       | <i>CO2</i> | <i>PO5</i> | <b>7</b>     |
|                   | c) | Explain photolithography technique for the synthesis of nanomaterials. Mention the disadvantages of this method.    | <i>CO2</i> | <i>PO5</i> | <b>7</b>     |
| <b>UNIT - III</b> |    |   |            |            |              |
| 4                 | a) | Analyze and explain the effect of quantum confinement on bandgap in nanoparticles.                                  | <i>CO2</i> | <i>PO5</i> | <b>6</b>     |
|                   | b) | Explain the effect of size on thermal and magnetic properties.  | <i>CO3</i> | <i>PO2</i> | <b>7</b>     |
|                   | c) | Elaborate on the effect of size on the lattice parameters in materials.   | <i>CO2</i> | <i>PO5</i> | <b>7</b>     |

**Important Note:** Completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages. Revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator will be treated as malpractice.

| <b>UNIT-IV</b>  |    |   |     |     |          |
|-----------------|----|---|-----|-----|----------|
| 5               | a) | Explain the interpretation of X-ray diffraction data to solve the crystal structure of a solid material.                                    | CO2 | PO5 | <b>6</b> |
|                 | b) | Describe the working principle of SEM with a neat block diagram.  | CO2 | PO5 | <b>7</b> |
|                 | c) | Elaborate on the application of TEM for the identification of imperfections and grain boundary in solid materials.                          | CO2 | PO5 | <b>7</b> |
| <b>OR</b>       |    |   |     |     |          |
| 6               | a) | Describe the particle size calculation using XRD.   | CO2 | PO5 | <b>6</b> |
|                 | b) | Sample charging is a problem in SEM imaging. Explain the technique to mitigate sample charging in SEM. Mention any two applications of SEM. | CO2 | PO5 | <b>7</b> |
|                 | c) | Explain the working of TEM with a neat sketch.  | CO2 | PO5 | <b>7</b> |
| <b>UNIT - V</b> |    |   |     |     |          |
| 7               | a) | Discuss the application of nanotechnology in the field of food and agriculture.   | CO3 | PO2 | <b>6</b> |
|                 | b) | Explain the use of nanomaterials in following fields: (i) sports (ii) medicine.   | CO3 | PO2 | <b>7</b> |
|                 | c) | Explain the application of nanomaterials in defense sector.   | CO3 | PO2 | <b>7</b> |

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