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**B.Tech.**

(SEM. III) ODD SEMESTER THEORY EXAMINATION 2010-11

**POLYMER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

Time : 3 Hours

Total Marks : 100

- Note :** (1) Attempt *all* questions.  
(2) Be precise in your answer.

1. Attempt any *four* parts of the following :— (5×4=20)
- (a) Define and give examples for
- Atactic
  - Monomer
  - Plastics
  - Composite.
- (b) 216 gm butadiene is copolymerized with 104 gm of styrene. What is the molecular formula of the copolymer ?
- (c) A particular sample of a polymer contains 200 molecules with molecular mass  $10^3$ , 300 molecules with molecular mass  $10^4$  and 500 molecules with molecular mass  $10^5$ . Calculate the number average and mass average weight.
- (d) Write short notes on :
- Vulcanization
  - Elastomer.
- (e) Name few pigments and organic colourants used as polymer additives. What colour they impart to the polymer ?

- (f) How would you identify whether a sample is poly (vinyl acetate) or poly (vinyl alcohol) on the basis of IR spectroscopy ?
2. Attempt any **two** parts of the following :— (10×2=20)
- (a) Describe kinetics of Cationic Polymerization.
- (b) Discuss the mechanism of anionic polymerization. Why is this process also called “Living Polymerization” ? Explain.
- (c) What is a plasticizer and how does it function ? What plasticizer would you use with (i) Poly (vinyl chloride), (ii) Nitrocellulose and (iii) Cellulose acetate ?
3. Attempt any **four** parts of the following :— (5×4=20)
- (a) What are Silicones ? Explain the special properties of silicones which have resulted in silicones being used in varied engineering and medical fields.
- (b) Write short notes on the following :
- (i) Initiators
- (ii) High performance polymers.
- (c) Define rubber elasticity. What conditions must be fulfilled by a material to show rubber elasticity ?
- (d) (i) Give comparison of properties of HDPE and LDPE.  
(ii) Distinguish between thermoplastic and thermosetting polymers.
- (e) What are copolymers ? How does Buna-S differ from Buna-N ?
- (f) Why monomers used in step growth polymerization yield long chain polymers ? What polymer is formed when :
- (i) adipic acid reacts with 1, 6—diamino hexane ?
- (ii) terephthalic acid reacts with ethylene glycol ?
- Discuss important applications of the above polymers.
4. Attempt any **two** parts of the following :— (10×2=20)
- (a) What are the characteristics of polymers ? Why do polymers have an average mol. wt ? Define terms weight average mol. weight and no. average mol. wt. Give their mathematical equation also.
- (b) Write a brief note on :
- (i) Emulsion polymerization
- (ii) Application of polymers in medicine.
- (c) What thermal instrument technique would you use to determine T<sub>g</sub> ? Explain. What is the general relationship observed between T<sub>g</sub> and T<sub>m</sub> of polymers ? Use T<sub>m</sub> = 11°C and T<sub>g</sub> = - 72°C for natural rubber to predict the temperature T (max rate) at which this elastomer should show the maximum rate of crystallization ?
5. Attempt any **four** parts of the following :— (5×4=20)
- (a) Write a brief note on the application of polymers in building construction and aerospace.
- (b) Write preparation, properties and applications of PVC and PVA.

- (c) (i) How are polymers classified according to (a) their structure, (b) physical properties (c) their mode of formation ?
- (ii) What is meant by degree of polymerization ?
- (d) (i) Describe the preparation and applications of Bakelite.
- (ii) What is synthetic fibre ?
- (e) (i) How is Teflon obtained ? What are its uses ?
- (ii) Write down the structures of the following polymers :  
(a) Cellulose (b) Natural Rubber (iii) Polymethylmethacrylate.