

FACULTY: ENGINEERING

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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COURSE CODE:MEE 311COURSE TITLE:PHYSICAL METTALLURGY – 3 UNITSDURATION:2 HOURS 30 MINUTES

# INSTRUCTIONS

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- 1. ATTEMPT ANY FIVE QUESTIONS OF YOUR CHOICE
- 2. SEVERE PENALTIES APPLY FOR MISCONDUCT, CHEATING, POSSESSION OF UNAUTHORIZED MATERIALS DURING EXAM
- 3. YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BORROW CALCULATORS AND ANY OTHER WRITING MATERIALS

# **Question One**

1. a. (i) Define Metallurgy.

(ii) Write short notes on the following three main divisions of metallurgy;

Chemical Metallurgy.

- Mechanical Metallurgy.
- Physical Metallurgy.
- b. Differentiate between ferrous and non-ferrous materials.
- c. Write short note on the following Mechanical and Physical Properties of

metals

and alloys;

- Density.
- Hardness.
- Thermal conductivity.
- Malleability.

# Question Two

- 2. a. Write short note on the following hardening processes
  - i. Induction Hardening.
  - ii. Flame Hardening,
  - iii. Case Hardening.
  - iv. Carburising.
  - b. (i) What is tempering?
    - (ii) In 2 steps write tempering procedure.
  - c. (i) What is normalising?
    - (ii) In 2 steps write normalising procedure.

# **Question Three**

- 3. a. (i) What is corrosion?
  - (ii) State three methods which may be used to prevent the rusting of iron.
  - (iii) State one example of metal for each method mentioned in ii above.

b. With the aid of a sketch, explain the electrolytic action or wet corrosion involving

two dissimilar elements in the simple cell.

- c. Write short note on the following protection by metallic coatings
  - (i) Cladding.
  - (ii) Hot dip metal coating.

#### **Question Four**

4. a (i) What is a microstructures?

(ii) What is an alloy?

- b. With the aid of a suitable sketch, explain arrangement of atoms in metals.
- c. Write short notes on the following metals and alloy

(i) Pig iron.

(ii) Alloy Cast Irons.

- (iii) High Duty Cast Iron.
- (iv) Wrought iron; and

(v) Alloy Steel.

**Question Five** 

- 5. a. (i) Write five important characteristics of aluminium.
  - (ii) Explain the usefulness of duralumin.
  - b. (i) Write five principal properties of copper.
    - (ii) Write short notes on
      - Brass.
      - Bronze.
      - Manganese.
      - Chromium.

# **Question Six**

- 6. a. Discuss the use of the following in heat treatment processes.
  - (i) Quenching tank.
  - (ii) Temperature control.
  - b. With the aid of sketch, explain
    - (i) The use of thermo-electric pyrometer.
    - (ii) The principle of optical pyrometer.
    - (iii) Segar cones.
  - c. The service life of a component is determined to a large extent on the surface finish. Discuss.