#### B.Sc. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2023

(2021 Admissions Regular, 2020 Admissions Supplementary / Improvement, 2019 &2018 Admissions Supplementary) SEMESTER IV - COMPLEMENTARY COURSE 2 (PHYSICS)

### (For Chemistry)

# PH4C02B18 - PHYSICAL OPTICS, LASER PHYSICS AND SUPERCONDUCTIVITY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 60

#### Part A

# I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 1 mark

(10x1=10)

- 1. Explain the factors which affect the width of interference fringes.
- 2. When white light is used to produce an interference pattern, compare the fringes produced by red and blue.
- 3. Distinguish between Fresnels and Fraunhofer diffractions.
- 4. Define dispersive power of grating.
- 5. The quarter and half wave plates are generally called retardation plates. Why?
- Explain the significance of blunt corners of the calcite crystal.
- 7. Explain the term principal plane.
- 8. What is metastable state?
- 9. Explain the term population inversion.
- 10. Differentiate between meridional ray and axial ray.
- 11. Explain the purpose of cladding on the fiber cables.
- 12. Describe the features of type I super conductor.

#### Part B

# II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks

(6x5=30)

- 13. Prove that two interfering waves of equal amplitude produce a region of maximum amplitude and complete darkness.
- 14. Plane waves of  $\lambda =$  500nm are incident on a slit. On a screen 3m away from the slit, the first minimum is found to lie at 3mm on either side of the central maximum. Calculate the width of the slit.
- 15. Find the radius and area of the third transparent zones of a zone plate whose first focal length is 1m for a wavelength of 400 nm.
- 16. Discuss the significance of Brewster's angle. Find the polarizing angle of water if μ for water is 1.33.
- 17. A beam of light passing through water strikes a glass plate which is also in water. When the angle of incidence is 51<sup>0</sup>, the reflected beam is found to be plane polarized. Calculate the refractive index of glass with respect to water.
- 18. Explain the working of YAG laser.
- 19. Find the relative population of two states in a ruby laser that produces a light beam of wavelength 694.3nm at 400K and 500K.
- 20. Briefly explain step index and graded index fibers.
- 21. Explain Meissner effect.

### Part C

# III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 10 marks

(2x10=20)

- 22. With a neat diagram, describe Young's double-slit experiment.
- 23. Explain diffraction pattern due to straight edge.
- 24. Explain the phenomenon of double refraction in uniaxial crystals. How is this phenomenon explained using Huygen's theory?
- 25. With necessary theory, describe the lasing action in Helium Neon laser