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**ZCT 307E/3 - Solid State Physics I**  
**[Fizik Keadaan Pepejal I]**

Duration: 3 hours  
[Masa : 3 jam]

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Please check that the examination paper consists of **THREE** pages of printed material before you begin the examination.

*[Sila pastikan bahawa kertas peperiksaan ini mengandungi TIGA muka surat yang bercetak sebelum anda memulakan peperiksaan ini.]*

**Instruction:** Answer all **SIX** questions. Students are allowed to answer all questions in Bahasa Malaysia or in English.

**Arahan:** Jawab kesemua **ENAM** soalan. Pelajar dibenarkan menjawab semua soalan sama ada dalam Bahasa Malaysia atau Bahasa Inggeris.]

1. Plot an experimental graph of specific heat  $C_v$  versus temperature (Show all the physical parameters on the graph) of a typical solid. Explain the failure of the classical law on the basis of Debye's model.  
*[Surihkan graf eksperimen haba spesifik  $C_v$  lawan suhu bagi pepejal tipikal. Jelaskan kegagalan hukum klasik berdasarkan model Debye].*  
 (15/100)
  
2. The specific heat of diamond at 20 °K is 2.45 joule  $\text{kmol}^{-1}\text{kelvin}^{-1}$ . Calculate the highest lattice frequency involed in the Debye theory.  
*[Haba tentu berlian pada 20°K adalah 2.45 joule  $\text{kmol}^{-1}\text{kelvin}^{-1}$ . Hitung frekuensi kekisi tertinggi dalam theory Debye].*  
 (10/100)
  
3. Discuss how Sommerfeld quantum theory of free electrons explain the failure of the classical theory pertaining to the specific heat of solid.  
*[Bincangkan bagaimana theory kuantum Sommerfeld menjelaskan kegagalan teori klasik berkaitan haba tentu pepejal].*  
 (15/100)
  
4. State the nature of the Fermi distribution function (plot the required graph ). How does it varies with temperature?  
*[Nyatakan sifat fungsi taburan Fermi (surihkan graph yang bersesuaian). Bagaimanakah ianya berubah terhadap suhu?].*  
 (10/100)
  
5. (a) The equation below is derived from the Kronig-Penney Model for an electron in a periodic field  
*[Dari model Kronig-Penney persamaan berikut telah diterbitkan]*

$$P \frac{\sin \alpha a}{\alpha a} + \cos \alpha a = \cos ka$$

$$\text{where [di mana] } P = \frac{mV_0ba}{\hbar^2} \text{ and [dan] } \alpha^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}$$

- (i) Explain the physical meaning of all the terms in the equation above.

*[Jelaskan maksud fizikal bagi semua sebutan persamaan di atas.]*

- (ii) Plot a graph of  $P \frac{\sin \alpha a}{\alpha a} + \cos \alpha a$  versus  $\alpha a$ . Discuss what you can deduce from the graph.

*[Plot graf  $P \frac{\sin \alpha a}{\alpha a} + \cos \alpha a$  lawan  $\alpha a$ . Bincang apa yang anda perolehi dari graf tersebut.]*

- (b) Show from the E-k graph that materials can be classified into conductors, insulators and semiconductors.

*[Dari graf E-k bagaimanakah anda boleh mengelaskan bahan konduktor, penebat dan semikonduktor]*

(30/100)

6. (a) Show that for the case of intrinsic semiconductors, the carrier concentration is given by

*[Tunjukkan bagi kes semikonduktor intrinsik, kepekatan pembawa diberi oleh]*

$$n = p = n_i = 2 \left( \frac{k_B T}{2\pi\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} (m_e m_h)^{3/4} e^{-E_g / 2k_B T}$$

- (b) The gap for an intrinsic semiconductor is  $E_g = 0.7$  eV at room temperature (300 K). Determine the position of the Fermi level at 300 K. Also calculate the density of holes and electrons at 300 K. Given  $m_p^* = 6m_e^*$

*[Jurang tenaga bagi sesuatu semikonduktor intrinsik adalah  $E_g = 0.7$  eV pada suhu bilik (300 K). Tentukan kedudukan paras Fermi pada 300 K. Juga hitung ketumpatan lohong dan elektron pada 300 K. Diberi  $m_p^* = 6 m_e^*$ ]*

(20/100)