



**List of Topics Covered****UNIT I CONDUCTING MATERIALS****9**

Conductors – classical free electron theory of metals – Electrical and thermal conductivity – Wiedemann – Franz law – Lorentz number – Draw backs of classical theory – Quantum theory – Fermi distribution function – Effect of temperature on Fermi Function – Density of energy states – carrier concentration in metals.

**UNIT II SEMICONDUCTING MATERIALS****9**

Intrinsic semiconductor – carrier concentration derivation Fermi level – Variation of Fermi level with temperature – electrical conductivity – band gap determination – compound semiconductors -direct and indirect band gap- derivation of carrier concentration in n-type and p-type semiconductor – variation of Fermi level with temperature and impurity concentration – Hall effect –Determination of Hall coefficient – Applications.

**UNIT III MAGNETIC AND SUPERCONDUCTING MATERIALS****9**

Origin of magnetic moment – Bohr magneton – comparison of Dia, Para and Ferro magnetism – Domain theory – Hysteresis – soft and hard magnetic materials – antiferromagnetic materials – Ferrites and its applications Superconductivity : properties – Type I and Type II superconductors – BCS theory of superconductivity(Qualitative) - High T<sub>c</sub> superconductors – Applications of superconductors – SQUID, cryotron, magnetic levitation.

**UNIT IV DIELECTRIC MATERIALS****9**

Electrical susceptibility – dielectric constant – electronic, ionic, orientational and space charge polarization – frequency and temperature dependence of polarisation – internal field – Clausius – Mosotti relation (derivation) – dielectric loss – dielectric breakdown – uses of dielectric materials (capacitor and transformer) – ferroelectricity and applications.

**UNIT V ADVANCED ENGINEERING MATERIALS****9**

Metallic glasses: preparation, properties and applications. Shape memory alloys (SMA): Characteristics, properties of NiTi alloy, application, Nanomaterials– Preparation -pulsed laser deposition – chemical vapour deposition – Applications – NLO materials –Birefringence- optical Kerr effect – Classification of Biomaterials and its applications.