

General Aptitude (GA)

Q.1 – Q.5 Multiple Choice Question (MCQ), carry ONE mark each (for each wrong answer: -1/3).

Q.1	Five persons P, Q, R, S and T are to be seated in a row, all facing the same direction, but not necessarily in the same order. P and T cannot be seated at either end of the row. P should not be seated adjacent to S. R is to be seated at the second position from the left end of the row. The number of distinct seating arrangements possible is:
(A)	2
(B)	3
(C)	4
(D)	5

Q.2	Consider the following sentences:
	 (i) The number of candidates who appear for the GATE examination is staggering. (ii) A number of candidates from my class are appearing for the GATE examination. (iii) The number of candidates who appear for the GATE examination are staggering. (iv) A number of candidates from my class is appearing for the GATE examination. Which of the above sentences are grammatically CORRECT?
(A)	(i) and (ii)
(B)	(i) and (iii)
(C	(ii) and (iii)
(D)	(ii) and (iv)





Q.3	A digital watch X beeps every 30 seconds while watch Y beeps every 32 seconds. They beeped together at 10 AM. The immediate next time that they will beep together is
(A)	10.08 AM
(B)	10.42 AM
(C)	11.00 AM
(D)	10.00 PM

Q.4	If $\oplus \div \odot = 2$; $\oplus \div \varDelta = 3$; $\odot + \varDelta = 5$; $\varDelta \times \otimes = 10$, Then, the value of $(\otimes - \oplus)^2$, is:	
(A)	0	18
(B)	1	6
(C)	4	2
(D)	16	12

Q.5	The front door of Mr. X's house faces East. Mr. X leaves the house, walking 50 m straight from the back door that is situated directly opposite to the front door. He then turns to his right, walks for another 50 m and stops. The direction of the point Mr. X is now located at with respect to the starting point is
(A)	South-East
(B)	North-East
(C)	West
(D)	North-West



Q. 6 – Q. 10 Multiple Choice Question (MCQ), carry TWO marks each (for each wrong answer: -2/3).

Q.6	 Given below are two statements 1 and 2, and two conclusions I and II. Statement 1: All entrepreneurs are wealthy. Statement 2: All wealthy are risk seekers. Conclusion I: All risk seekers are wealthy. Conclusion II: Only some entrepreneurs are risk seekers. Based on the above statements and conclusions, which one of the following options is CORRECT?
(A)	Only conclusion I is correct
(B)	Only conclusion II is correct
(C)	Neither conclusion I nor II is correct
(D)	Both conclusions I and II are correct

Q.7	A box contains 15 blue balls and 45 black balls. If 2 balls are selected randomly, without replacement, the probability of an outcome in which the first selected is a blue ball and the second selected is a black ball, is
(A)	$\frac{3}{16}$
(B)	$\frac{45}{236}$
(C)	$\frac{1}{4}$
(D)	$\frac{3}{4}$





Q.8	The ratio of the area of the inscribed circle to the area of the circumscribed circle of an equilateral triangle is
(A)	$\frac{1}{8}$
(B)	$\frac{1}{6}$
(C)	$\frac{1}{4}$
(D)	$\frac{1}{2}$
Q.9	Consider a square sheet of side 1 unit. The sheet is first folded along the main diagonal. This is followed by a fold along its line of symmetry. The resulting

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(A)	$\frac{1}{4}$
(B)	$\frac{1}{8}$
(C)	$\frac{1}{16}$
(D)	$\frac{1}{32}$

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Q.10	The world is going through the worst pandemic in the past hundred years. The air travel industry is facing a crisis, as the resulting quarantine requirement for travelers led to weak demand. In relation to the first sentence above, what does the second sentence do?
(A)	Restates an idea from the first sentence.
(B)	Second sentence entirely contradicts the first sentence.
(C)	The two statements are unrelated.
(D)	States an effect of the first sentence.





Metallurgical Engineering (MT)

Q.1 – Q.13 Multiple Choice Question (MCQ), carry ONE mark each (for each wrong answer: -1/3).

Q.1	For the matrix given below, the eigenvalues are: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
(A)	0, 2, 2
(B)	1, 1, 2
(C)	0, 1, 2
(D)	0, 1, 3

Q.2	Which one of the following is a homogeneous function of degree three?
(A)	$x^3 + 2x^2y^2$
(B)	$y^2x + 2yx^2$
(C)	$y^3 + 2x^2$
(D)	$xy^2 + 3xy$





Q.3	The divergence of a vector field $\vec{V}(x, y, z)$, where its three components (V_x, V_y, V_z) are functions of x, y, z , is:				
(A)	$\frac{\partial V_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial V_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial V_z}{\partial z}$				
(B)	$\left(\frac{\partial V_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial V_y}{\partial z}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\frac{\partial V_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial V_z}{\partial x}\right)\mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{\partial V_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial V_x}{\partial y}\right)\mathbf{k}$				
(C)	$\frac{\partial V_x}{\partial x}\mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial V_y}{\partial y}\mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial V_z}{\partial z}\mathbf{k}$				
(D)	$\frac{\partial^2 V_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V_y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V_z}{\partial z^2}$				







Q.4	Which one of the following is 'center split' defect in rolling operation?
(A)	
(B)	
(C)	
(D)	

Q.5	Single crystal turbine blades of nickel-based superalloys for aero-engines are manufactured using:		
(A)	Investment casting		
(B)	Die casting		
(C)	Squeeze casting		
(D)	Directional solidification		



Q.6	Elements A and B have the same crystal structure. For a dilute solution of B in A, which one of the following is true? (Given: ΔH_{mix} – Mixing enthalpy, a_B – Activity of B and X_B – Mole fraction of B)			
(A)	If $\Delta H_{mix} = 0$, then $a_B < X_B$			
(B)	If $\Delta H_{mix} = 0$, then $a_B > X_B$			
(C)	If $\Delta H_{mix} > 0$, then $a_B < X_B$			
(D)	If $\Delta H_{mix} < 0$, then $a_B < X_B$			

Q.7	For uniaxial tensile stress-strain behaviour of polycrystalline aluminium, which one of the following statements is FALSE?	
(A)	True stress is always higher than the engineering stress.	
(B)	At the ultimate tensile stress point on the true stress - strain curve, $\frac{d\sigma}{d\varepsilon} = 0$	
(C)	Resilience is the area under the elastic region of the engineering stress - strain curve.	
(D)	Maximum true stress does not correspond to the maximum load.	

Q.8	Which one of the following is FALSE for creep deformation?		
(A)	The minimum creep rate is obtained in the primary stage (stage I).		
(B)	Creep resistance decreases with decrease in grain size.		
(C)	Coble creep occurs via grain boundary diffusion.		
(D)	Nabarro-Herring creep occurs via lattice diffusion.		

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Q.9	Which one of the following elements alloyed with iron is a ferrite stabilizer?	
(A)	Nickel	
(B)	Manganese	
(C)	Carbon	
(D)	Silicon	

Which one of the following is the correct decreasing sequence of Quenching Power for quenchants used in heat treatment of steels?		
Oil > Water > Brine > Air		
Brine > Oil > Water > Air		
Brine > Water > Oil > Air		
Water > Brine > Oil > Air		
Water > Brine > Oil > Air		

Q.11	For a zeroth order chemical reaction, which one of the following is FALSE?	
(A)	Concentration versus time plot is a straight line.	
(B)	Increase in concentration of reacting species increases the rate of reaction.	
(C)	Half-life depends on the initial concentration and zero-order rate constant.	
(D)	Rate of reaction depends on temperature.	





Q.12	Which one of the following elements oxidizes first in basic oxygen steel making process?			
(A)	Silicon			
(B)	Carbon			
(C)	Manganese			
(D)	Phosphorus			

Q.13	Which one of the following is a hydrometallurgical operation?		
(A)	Roasting		
(B)	Leaching		
(C)	Zone refining		
(D)	Smelting		







Q.14 - Q.25 Numerical Answer Type (NAT), carry ONE mark each (no negative marks).

Q.14	The value of $\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin^2 5x}{\sin^2 x}$	is:	(round off to nearest integer).	
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Q.1	5	The grain size (X) of annealed specimens follows a symmetric distribution	
	with a mean (μ) of 5 μ m and a standard deviation (σ) of 0.5 μ m. The		
	percentage of specimens with grain size in the range 5 to 6 µm is exp		
t		to be: (round off to nearest integer).	
		Given: For the symmetric distribution: Probability $P(X \le \mu + 2\sigma) = 0.98$	

Q.16	If $E_{Ni^{2+}/Ni}^{o} = -0.25$ V, the value of $\mu_{Ni^{2+}}^{o}$ (in J mol ⁻¹) at 298 K is:
	(round off to nearest integer).
	Given: F = 96500 C mol ⁻¹

Q.17	Melting point of Cu is 1358 K and its enthalpy of melting is 13400 J mol ⁻¹ . The value of free energy change (in J mol ⁻¹) for liquid to solid transformation at 1058 K is: (round off to nearest integer).
	Assume: $C_P^{liquid} = C_P^{solid}$

Q.18	A body is subjected to a state of stress given by the following stress tensor:	
	$\begin{pmatrix} 50 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 200 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 100 \end{pmatrix}$ MPa. If yielding is predicted by the Tresca Criterion, the uniaxial tensile yield stress (in MPa) of the body should be less than or equal to:	
	(round off to nearest integer).	

Q.19	Consider homogeneous nucleation of a spherical solid in liquid. For a given	
	undercooling, if surface energy of a nucleus increases by 20 %, the	
	corresponding increase (in percent) in the critical radius of the nucleus is:	
	(round off to nearest integer).	





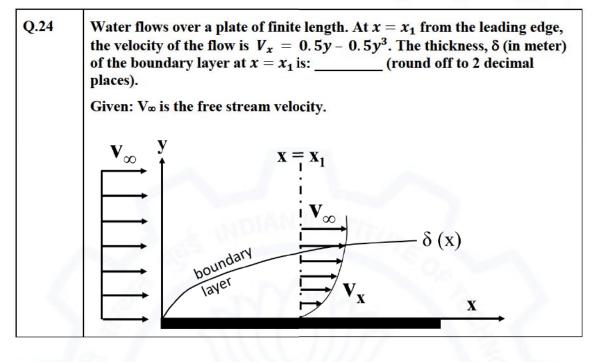
Q.20	If saturation magnetization of iron at room temperature is 1700 kA m ⁻¹ , the
	magnetic moment (in A m ²) per iron atom in the crystal is: $\times 10^{-23}$ (round off to 1 decimal place).
	(Given: Lattice parameter of iron at room temperature = 0.287 nm)

Q.21	In the X-ray diffraction pattern of a FCC crystal, the first reflection occurs	
	at a Bragg angle (θ) of 30°. The Bragg angle (in degree) for the second	
	reflection will be: (round off to 1 decimal place).	

Q.22	A 0.6 wt.% C steel sample is slowly cooled from 900 °C to room temperature. The fraction of proeutectoid ferrite in the microstructure is: (round off to 2 decimal places).	
	Given: Eutectoid composition: 0.8 wt.% C	

Q.23	If the degree of polymerization of polyethylene is 30000, the average molecular weight (in g mol ⁻¹) is: (round off to nearest integer).
	(Given: Atomic weights of carbon and hydrogen are 12 and 1, respectively)





Q.25	The vacancy concentration in a crystal doubles upon increasing the temperature from 27 °C to 127 °C. The enthalpy (in kJ mol ⁻¹) of vacancy
	formation is: (round off to 2 decimal places).
	Given: R = 8.314 J mol ⁻¹ K ⁻¹

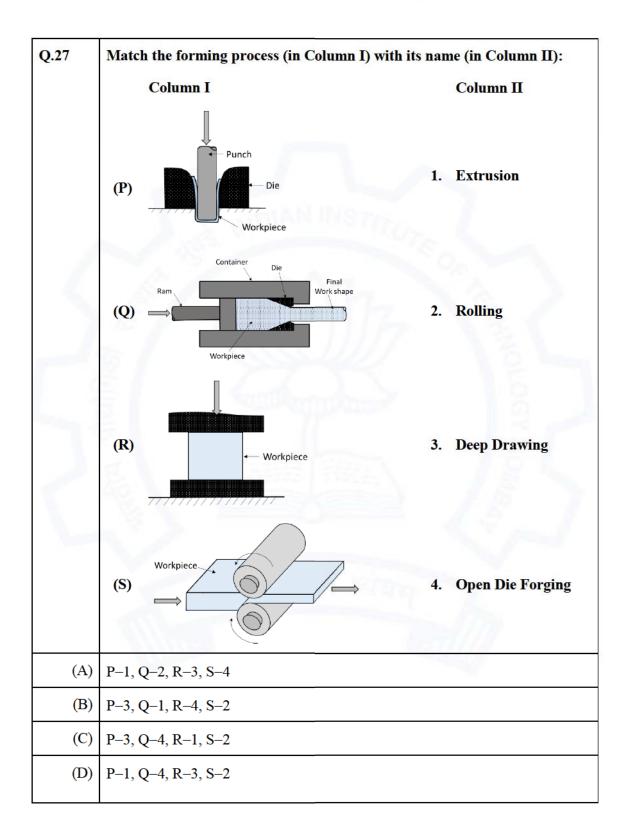


Q.26 – Q.36 Multiple Choice Question (MCQ), carry TWO mark each (for each wrong answer: - 2/3).

Q.26	The minimum value of y for the equation $y = x^2 - 2x + 4$ is
(A)	3
(B)	1 ANIAN INSTA
(C)	4
(D)	6







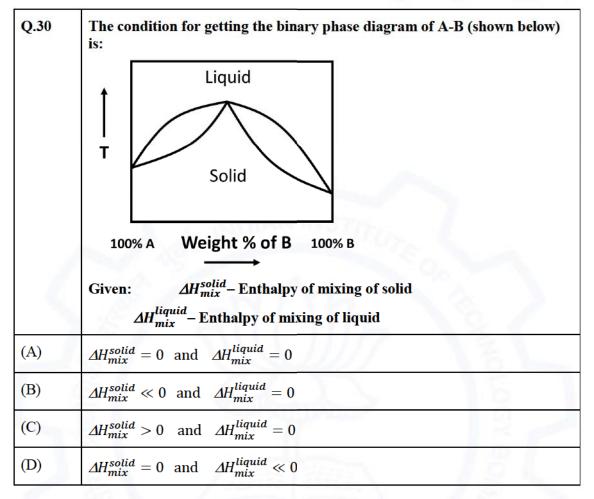


Q.28	Match the nondestructive technique (in Column I) with its underlying phenomenon (in Column II):	
	Column I	Column II
	(P) Dye penetrant test	1. X-ray absorption
	(Q) Radiography	2. Capillary action
	(R) Eddy current test	3. Elastic waves reflection
	(S) Ultrasonic inspection	4. Electromagnetic induction
(A)	P-4, Q-3, R-2, S-1	ML MAN
(B)	P-2, Q-1, R-3, S-4	12 8
(C)	P-2, Q-1, R-4, S-3	
(D)	P-3, Q-2, R-1, S-4	1

Q.29	Number of degrees of freedom for the following reacting system is: M (s) + CO ₂ (g) = MO (s) + CO (g)		
(A)	0		
(B)	1		
(C)	2		
(D)	3		



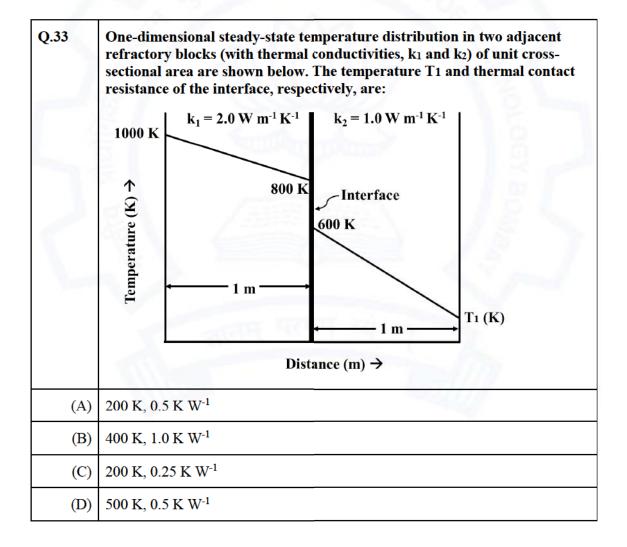




Q.31	In the absence of any external stress, which one of the following statements related to the interaction of point defect and a dislocation is FALSE:		
(A)	An oversized solute atom would preferentially migrate below the slip plane of an edge dislocation.		
(B)	A spherically symmetric point defect can interact with both the hydrostatic and shear stress fields of a dislocation.		
(C)	A point defect can locally modify the elastic modulus and thereby can change the interaction energy.		
(D)	Vacancies are attracted towards the compressive region of dislocation.		

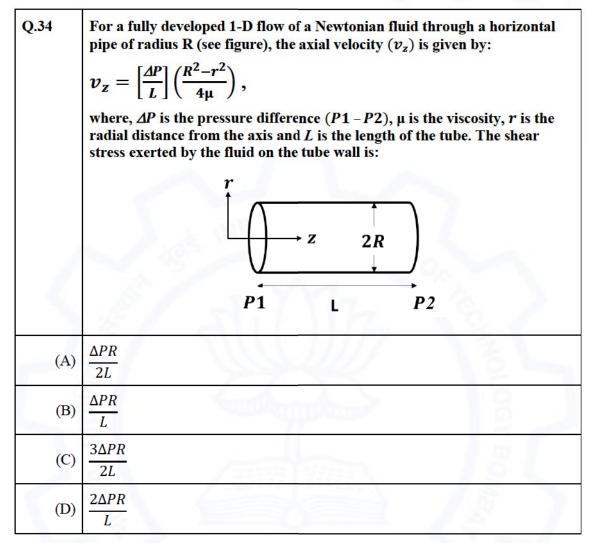


A single crystal aluminium sample is subjected to uniaxial tension along [112] direction. If the applied tensile stress is 100 MPa and the critical resolved shear stress (CRSS) is 25 MPa, which one of the following slip systems will be activated?		
[101](111)		
[110](111)		
[101](111)		
[011](111)		











Q.35	Match the terms (in Column I) with the unit process (in Column II)				
	Column I	Column II 1. Ladle Furnace 2. Continuous Casting 3. LD Converter 4. Blast Furnace			
	(P) Submerged Entry Nozzle				
	(Q) Electric Heating				
	(R) Raceway Zone				
	(S) Oxygen Lancing				
	INDIAN S				
(A)	P-2, Q-1, R-4, S-3	NSTITUTE			
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Q.36	A blast furnace uses hematite ore with 80% Fe ₂ O ₃ and 20% gangue materials. It uses 600 kg coke per ton of hot metal. The coke contains 85% C and 15% ash. The composition of hot metal is 95.5% Fe and 4.5% C. The weight of iron ore used and slag produced per ton of hot metal respectively, are: Given: Atomic weight: O = 16, C = 12, N = 14, Fe = 56 All the compositions are in wt.%. 1 ton = 1000 kg Assume that the gangue materials of the ore and ash content of coke form slag while Fe ₂ O ₃ in the ore is consumed in making hot metal.		
(A)	1705 kg, 431 kg		
(B)	2131 kg, 546 kg		
(C)	1705 kg, 331 kg		
(D)	1500 kg, 431 kg		





Q.37 - Q.55 Numerical Answer Type (NAT), carry TWO mark each (no negative marks).

Q.37	Consider the function $f(x) = x - \cos x$. Using Newton-Raphson method, the estimated root of $f(x)$ after the first iteration is: (round off to 3)
	decimal places).
	Assume: Initial guess of the root = 0.5 radians.

Q.38	The work done by a force $\vec{F} = 2xi + 3yj$ along a straight line from point	
	(0, 0) to (1, 2) is: (round off to nearest integer).	

Q.39	A coin is tossed three times. Given that there are more heads than tails, the		
2.05	probability of getting exactly one tail is: decimal places).	(round off to 2	

Q.40	travel speed of	fillet weld is made using a 3000 W welding machine. At a f 6 mm s ⁻¹ , the cross-sectional area (in mm ²) of the weld is: (round off to nearest integer).
	Given:	The unit energy required to melt the metal is 6 J mm ⁻³ .
	Heat tr	ransfer factor = 0.6
	Meltin	g factor = 0.5

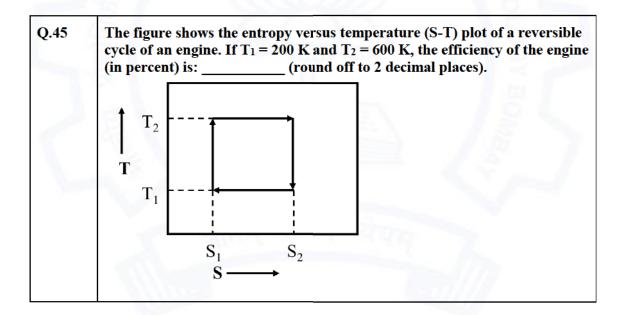
Q.41	Liquid iron is cast into a spherical sand mold (6 cm radius) and a cubical
	sand mold (12 cm edge length). If solidification time is 60 minutes in the
	spherical casting, the time (in minutes) required to solidify in the cubical
	casting is: (round off to nearest integer).

Q. 42	True strain for 60% height reduction of a sample subjected to hot forgi		
	is: (round off to 2 decimal places).		



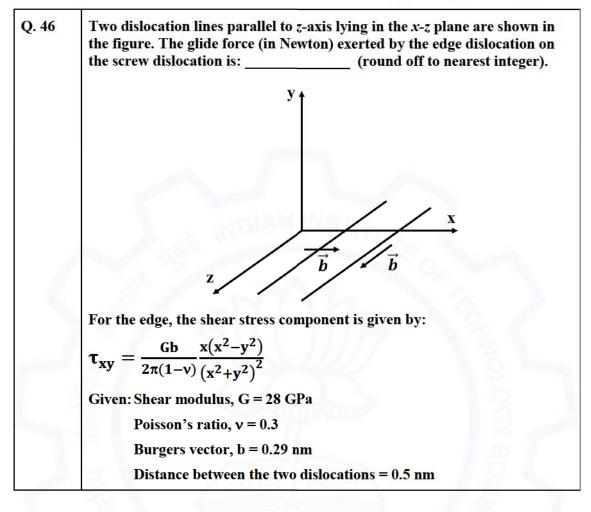
Q.43	For the equilibrium reaction: $2Cu(s) + SO_2(g) = Cu_2S(s) + O_2(g)$, the value of $ln\left(\frac{P_{O_2}}{P_{SO_2}}\right)$ at 973 K is: (round off to 2 decimal places).			
	Given:	$2\mathcal{C}u\left(s\right)+0.5\mathcal{S}_{2}(g)=\mathcal{C}u_{2}\mathcal{S}\left(s\right)$	ΔG° at 973 K = -100 kJ	
		$SO_2(g) = 0.5S_2(g) + O_2(g)$	ΔG° at 973 K = 292 kJ	
		$R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$		
	Assume: C	<i>u</i> and <i>Cu</i> ₂ S are pure solids.		

Q.44	One mole of an ideal gas at 10 atm. and 300 K undergoes reversible adiabatic expansion to a pressure of one atm. The work done (in Joule) by the gas is: (round off to nearest integer).
	Given: $R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$; 1 atm. = 101325 Pa; Cp = 2.5R







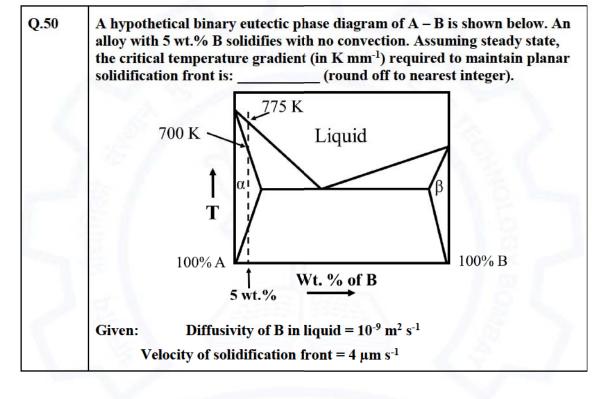


Q.47	In a material, a shear stress of 100 MPa is required to bow a dislocation
	line between precipitates with a spacing of 0.2 µm. If the spacing between
	the precipitates is increased to 0.5 µm, the shear stress (in MPa) to bow the
	dislocation would be: (round off to nearest integer).

Q.48	A metal plate is in a state of plane strain ($\varepsilon_{zz} = 0$) with $\sigma_{xx} = \sigma_{yy} \neq 0$ and
	$\tau_{xy} = \tau_{xz} = \tau_{yz} = 0$. If the Poisson's ratio is 0.3, the ratio, σ_{zz}/σ_{xx} is
	(round off to 1 decimal place).



Q.49	An infinite metal plate has a central through-thickness crack of length $\frac{80}{\pi}$ mm. The maximum applied stress (in MPa) that the plate can sustain in mode I is: (round off to nearest integer).		
	Assume: Linear elastic fracture mechanics is valid		
	Given: Fracture toughness, K_{IC} = 20 MPa m ^{1/2}		



Q.51	A thick steel plate containing 0.1 wt.% C is carburized at 950 °C. The plate's surface carbon concentration is maintained at 1.1 wt.% C. After 9 hours, the depth (in mm) below the surface at which the carbon concentration is 0.6 wt.% C will be: (round off to 2 decimal							
	places). Given: D	iffusivity nction tab	of carbon	_				2 decimai
	z	0.35	0.40	0.45	0.50	0.55	0.60	
	erf(z)	0.3794	0.4284	0.4755	0.5205	0.5633	0.6039	





Q.52	At 25 °C, iron corrodes in a deaerated acid of pH 3 with a corrosion current density of 4 μ A cm ⁻² . The corrosion potential (V) is: (round off to 2 decimal places).				
	Given: $\beta_c = 0.1$ V per decade of current density				
	Exchange current density of hydrogen on iron surface = 10 ⁻⁹ A cm ⁻²				
	$R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}, F = 96500 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$				
	All potentials are with reference to standard hydrogen electrode.				

Q.53	The radius of an interstitial atom which just fits (without distorting the structure) inside an octahedral void of a bcc-iron crystal (in <i>nm</i>) is: (round off to 3 decimal places).
	Assume the radius of Fe atom to be 0.124 nm.

Q.54	Nickel undergoes isothermal oxidation at 800 K for a duration of 400 s resulting in a weight gain of 2 mg cm ⁻² . The weight gain (mg cm ⁻²) after a				
	duration of 1600 s is: (round off to nearest integer).				
	Assume: Weight gain is proportional to square root of time.				





Q.55 A solid sphere (0.5 m radius) is enclosed within a larger hollow sphere (1 m radius), as shown in figure. The radiation exchange takes place between the outer surface (surface 1) of the small sphere and the inner surface (surface 2) of the bigger sphere. The value of the view factor, F₂₂ is: _____ (round off to 2 decimal places). Given: View factor (F_{ij}) is the fraction of the radiation leaving surface i that is intercepted by surface j.

END OF THE QUESTION PAPER

Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE 2021)

Answer Keys and Marks for Subject/Paper: Metallurgical Engineering (MT)

Q. No.	Session	Question Type MCQ/MSQ/NAT	Section Name	Answer Key/Range	Marks	Negative Marks
1	8	MCQ	GA	В	1	1/3
2	8	MCQ	GA	А	1	1/3
3	8	MCQ	GA	A	1	1/3
4	8	MCQ	GA	В	1	1/3
5	8	MCQ	GA	D	1	1/3
6	8	MCQ	GA	С	2	2/3
7	8	MCQ	GA	В	2	2/3
8	8	MCQ	GA	c	2	2/3
9	8	MCQ	GA	В	2	2/3
10	8	MCQ	GA	D	2	2/3
1	8	MCQ	MT	С	1	1/3
2	8	MCQ	MT	В	1	1/3
3	8	MCQ	MT	A_4/	1	1/3
4	8	MCQ	MT	D	1	1/3
5	8	MCQ	MT	D	1	1/3
6	8	MCQ	MT	D	1	1/3
7	8	MCQ	MT	В	1	1/3
8	8	MCQ	MT	А	1	1/3
9	8	MCQ	MT	D	1	1/3
10	8	MCQ	MT	С	1	1/3

GATE 2021 Answer	Key for	Metallurgical	Engineering (MT)

Q. No.	Session	Question Type MCQ/MSQ/NAT	Section Name	Answer Key/Range	Marks	Negative Marks
11	8	MCQ	MT	В	1	1/3
12	8	MCQ	MT	Α	1	1/3
13	8	MCQ	MT	В	1	1/3
14	8	NAT	MT	25 to 25	1	0
15	8	NAT	MT	48 to 48	1	0
16	8	NAT	MT	-48251 to - 48240	1	0
17	8	NAT	MT	-2962 to -2958	1	0
18	8	NAT	MT	150 to 150	1	0
19	8	NAT	MT	20 to 20	1	0
20	8	NAT	MT	1.7 to 2.3	1	0
21	8	NAT	MT	34.8 to 36.1	1	0
22	8	NAT	MT	0.22 to 0.30	1	0
23	8	NAT	MT	840000 to 840000	1	0
24	8	NAT	MT	0.53 to 0.59	1	0
25	8	NAT	MT	6.85 to 7.00	1	0
26	8	MCQ	MT	А	2	2/3
27	8	MCQ	MT	В	2	2/3
28	8	MCQ	MT	с	2	2/3
29	8	MCQ	MT	с	2	2/3
30	8	MCQ	MT	В	2	2/3
31	8	MCQ	MT	В	2	2/3
32	8	MCQ	MT	A	2	2/3
33	8	MCQ	MT	А	2	2/3

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34	8	MCQ	MT	А	2	2/3
35	8	MCQ	MT	Α	2	2/3
36	8	MCQ	MT	Α	2	2/3
37	8	NAT	MT	0.745 to 0.770	2	0
38	8	NAT	MT	7 to 7	2	0
39	8	NAT	MT	0.75 to 0.75	2	0
40	8	NAT	MT	25 to 25	2	0
41	8	NAT	MT	58 to 62	2	0
42	8	NAT	MT	0.90 to 0.94 OR -0.94 to -0.90	2	0
43	8	NAT	MT	−24.00 to − 23.50	2	0
44	8	NAT	MT	2230 to 2270	2	0
45	8	NAT	MT	63.00 to 71.00	2	0
46	8	NAT	MT	0 to 0	2	0
47	8	NAT	MT	40 to 40	2	0
48	8	NAT	MT	0.6 to 0.6	2	0
49	8	NAT	MT	98 to 102	2	0
50	8	NAT	MT	298 to 302	2	0
51	8	NAT	MT	0.65 to 0.75	2	0
52	8	NAT	MT	-0.60 to -0.50	2	0
53	8	NAT	MT	0.017 to 0.023	2	0
54	8	NAT	MT	4 to 4	2	0
55	8	NAT	MT	0.74 to 0.76	2	0