

**PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE**  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
**BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2018**  
(First Semester)

Branch - **ELECTRONICS**

**SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

**SECTION-A (10 Marks)**

Answer **ALL** questions

**ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** marks (10x1 = 10)

- 1 The most commonly used semiconductor is \_\_\_\_\_ .  

(i) germanium	(ii) silicon
(iii) carbon	(iv) sulphur
- 2 The random motion of holes & free electrons due to thermal agitation is called \_\_\_\_\_  

(i) diffusion	(ii) pressure
(iii) ionisation	(iv) none of these
- 3 The knee voltage of a crystal diode is approximately equal to \_\_\_\_\_  

(i) applied voltage	(ii) breakdown voltage
(iii) forward voltage	(iv) barrier potential
- 4 The PIV rating of crystal diode is \_\_\_\_\_ that of equivalent vacuum diode.  

(i) the same	(ii) lower than
(iii) more than	(iv) none of the above.
- 5 In an npn transistor are the minority carriers.  

(i) free electrons	(ii) holes
(iii) donor ions	(iv) acceptor ions
- 6 The current  $I_R$  is \_\_\_\_\_  

(i) electron current	(ii) hole current
(iii) donor ion current	(iv) acceptor ion current
- 7 Snell's law relates \_\_\_\_\_  

(i) light reflection	(ii) light refraction
(iii) light transmission	(iv) light absorption
- 8 The combined package of LED and a photodiode is known as \_\_\_\_\_  

(i) opto coupler	(ii) opto isolator
(iii) optically coupled isolator	(iv) All of the above
- 9 The important advantage of tunnel diode is \_\_\_\_\_ .  

(i) less sensitive	(ii) less noise
(iii) operated safely in high temperature	(iv) None of the above
- 10 An SCR has \_\_\_\_\_ PN junction.  

(i) two	(ii) three
(iii) four	(iv) none of the above.

**SECTION -B (25 Marks)**

Answer **ALL** questions

**ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** Marks (5 x 5 = 25)

- 11 a Explain the working principle of Intrinsic semiconductor.

- 12 a Write a short note on DC or static resistance.  
OR  
b Write a note on Reverse Recovery Time.
- 13 a Explain how the transistor act as switch.  
OR  
b In detail about the working characteristics of depletion type of MOSFET.
- 14 a Give an account on photo electric theory.  
OR  
b Describe the working function of photo transistor.
- 15 a Explain the various specification of MOV.  
OR  
b Write a short note on tunnel diode.

**SECTION -C (40 Marks!**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks ( 5 x 8 = 40)

- 16 a Elaborate the working of n type material in extrinsic semiconductor.  
OR  
b Explain the properties of PN junction.
- 17 a Draw and explain the construction of PN junction diode.  
OR  
b Elaborate the characteristics of zener diode.
- 18 a Illustrate the working principle of FET.  
OR  
b Describe the function of common Emitter transistor.
- 19 a Explain the function of photo voltaic cell.  
OR  
b In detail about the working principle of seven segment display.
- 20 a Elaborate the characteristics function of thermistors.  
OR  
b What is shockley diode? Describe its working with neat diagram.

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