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Subject: Polymer Physics & Properties of Polymer

Total Marks: 70

- N.B. (1) Marks allotted to the question are on its RHS
(2) Illustrate your answers wherever necessary with the help of neat sketches & chemical equations

Q.1. Choose the Correct Answer from the followings:

- 1.1 Identify the correct T_g order for the given below polymers. 1
a) methyl acrylate > ethyl acrylate > butyl acrylate
b) methyl acrylate < ethyl acrylate < butyl acrylate
c) ethyl acrylate > butyl acrylate > methyl acrylate
d) ethyl acrylate < butyl acrylate < methyl acrylate
- 1.2 The force due to presence of electron cloud in hydrocarbon is _____. 1
a) London dispersion b) Dipole c) H-bonding d) Covalent bond
- 1.3 In elastomers, which type of cross-linking is observed? 1
a) Labile b) Light c) High d) None
- 1.4 Which of the Brownian movement is/are activated above T_g in case of polymer? 1
a) EBM b) IBM c) Both d) None
- 1.5 Identify the correct thermal stability order. 1
a) Polyethylene < Polystyrene < Poly- α -methylstyrene
b) Polystyrene > Poly- α -methylstyrene > Polyethylene
c) Polystyrene < Poly- α -methylstyrene < Polyethylene
d) Polyethylene > Polystyrene > Poly- α -methylstyrene
- 1.6 Only T_m can be observed in _____ polymer. 1
a) Amorphous b) Crystalline c) Partly crystalline d) None
- 1.7 The process of dissolution becomes spontaneous when ΔH is _____. 1
a) $\Delta H = -Ve$ b) $\Delta H = +Ve$ c) $\Delta H = 0$ d) None
- 1.8 Which of the following is more thermally stable? 1
a) Polyethylene b) Teflon c) Polypropylene d) polyisobutylene

Q.2. Answer the following short questions (any seven) 14

- a) Define T_g & T_f for polymers.
b) Describe the syndiotactic and isotactic representation of polyvinyl chloride.
c) Define: Crystallites & spherulites.
d) Which of polyethylene and nylon-6 will be more crystalline? Explain.

- e) Which of natural rubber and Gutta-Percha will be more crystalline?
 f) Define heat distortion temperature.
 g) What is plasticizer and how it affects T_g of polymer.
 h) How labile cross-linking differs from light cross-linking.
 i) Which of polyethylene and polyvinyl alcohol have higher T_g ? Explain.
- Q.3 a** Discuss microstructure of polymer based on chemical structure. 6
b Describe the following polymers in isotactic and syndiotactic forms. 6
 i) polystyrene ii) PMMA iii) polyacrylic acid
 And also describe cis, trans and vinyl structure for polybutadiene
- OR**
- Q.3 a** Write a note on state of phases of polymer. 6
b Explain importance of glass transition temperature and discuss dilatometry technique. 6
- Q.4 a** Describe the factors affecting glass transition temperature. 6
b Describe the schematic representation of Brownian movement taking place at various transitions in case of low molecular and high molecular weight compounds. 6
- OR**
- Q.4 a** Describe the factors affecting crystallinity. 6
b Describe the transition curves for crystalline, amorphous and partly crystalline polymers. 6
- Q.5 a** i) Write a note on thermodynamics of polymer dissolution. 6
 ii) Differentiate between unzipping and random degradation.
b What is solubility parameter and derive the equation for heat of mixing for polymer dissolution. 6
- OR**
- Q.5 a** Write a note on degradation of polyvinylchloride. 6
b i) Discuss the degradation mechanism of styrene. 6
 ii) Write a note on oxidative degradation.
- Q.6 a** What is labile and light cross-linking? Explain how light cross-linking affect different properties of a polymer. 6
b i) Describe the factors affecting thermal stability of a polymer 6
 ii) List out the different types of intermolecular forces and explain in brief.
- OR**
- Q.6 a** Explain how polarity affects various properties of polymers. 6
b Discuss the effects of heavy cross-linking on the properties of polymers. 6