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B.Tech.  
PCMT4305

**6<sup>th</sup> Semester Back Examination 2017-18**  
**SOLIDIFICATION AND CASTING**  
**BRANCH : METTA, MME**  
**Time : 3 Hours**  
**Max Marks : 70**  
**Q.CODE : C562**

**Answer Question No.1 which is compulsory and any five from the rest.**  
**The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.**  
**Attempt all parts of a question at a place**

**Q1 Answer the following questions : (2 x 10)**

- What do you mean by equilibrium solidification?
- Draw a graph between total free energy of a spherical nucleus as a function of its radius at different temperatures, these temperatures are  $T_m > T_1 > T_2 > T_3$ ?
- What do you mean by dendrite?
- Mention two characteristics of core.
- Define super cooling.
- What do you mean by lost wax process?
- List out the properties required for moulding materials.
- Define liquidus and solidus line.
- Define microsegregation.
- Write the ratio of pressurized and un-pressurized gating system.

**Q2 a) Derive an expression to find out the critical radius for homogeneous nucleation, assuming the nucleating solid is a sphere. (5)**

**b) Discuss the significance of Ellingham diagram over casting process. (5)**

**Q3 a) Explain Constitutional Super Cooling. (5)**

**b) Estimate the number of crystal like clusters in  $1\text{mm}^3$  of copper at its melting point for spherical clusters containing 60 atoms? The atomic volume of liquid copper is  $1.6 \times 10^{-29}\text{m}^3$ ,  $\gamma_{sl}$ (surface energy) =  $0.177\text{J/m}^2$ ,  $k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23}\text{JK}^{-1}$ ,  $T_m = 1356\text{K}$  (5)**

**Q4 a) What is meant by casting yield and what are the methods available to a casting designer to increase the casting yield? (5)**

**b) Define gating ratio and explain its importance in relation to flow distribution in different kinds of gating system. (5)**

**Q5 a) Describe the kinetics of continuous growth with preferable free energy curves. (5)**

**b) What is lateral growth? Differentiate the continuous growth and lateral growth. (5)**

**Q6 a) Explain the types of mould and mould materials. (5)**

**b) What are the significance of pattern allowances during the mould making process? (5)**

**Q7** Discuss the casting defects attributed to the moulding sand and pouring metal used for casting. Explain the remedial measures you would like to adopt to overcome these defects. **(10)**

**Q8** Write short answer on any TWO : **(5 x 2)**

- a) Growth by screw dislocation.
- b) Vacuum sealed casting.
- c) Solute partitioning.
- d) Centrifugal casting.