

POLYMER CHEMISTRY

UNIT – I

1. Basic concepts of Polymer Science- Molecular forces and chemical bonding in polymers – Classification of polymers – Chain polymerization – Step polymerization – polymerization techniques.
2. Molecular weight and size - Average molecular weight – Number – average and weight – average molecular weights – Sedimentation and Viscosity – average molecular weights – Degree of polymerization – size of polymer molecular. (18 hours).

UNIT – II

3. Kinetics of Polymerization – Free radical chain polymerization- Cationic polymerization – Anionic polymerization – Poly condensation.
4. Glass transition temperature: Glassy solids and Glass transition – associated properties – Factors influencing glass transition temperature – molecular weight – Plasticisers – melting point – importance of glass transition temperature. (18 hours)

UNIT - III

5. Crystalline Nature : Crystalline solids and their behaviour towards X-rays – Polymers and X-ray diffraction – Degree of crystallinity – crystallites – factors affecting crystallinity, Helix structures.
6. Copolymerization : Free radical copolymerization – Ionic copolymerization – Copolycondensation – Individual monomers: Polyethylene, polypropylene, polystyrene, poly acrylonitrile, polymethyl methacrylate, polyesters, polycarbonates, polyamides, polyurethanes, polyvinyl acetate, polyvinyl chloride, poly isoprenes, silicone polymers.(18 hours).

UNIT – IV

7. Polymer degradation – Types of degradation, thermal and mechanical – photo degradation – oxidative and hydrolytic degradation.
8. Polymer reactions – Hydrolysis, acidolysis, aminolysis, hydrogenation, addition and substitution reactions – cyclisation, cross-linking reactions – Graft and Block copolymers.(18 hours).

UNIT - V

9. Experimental methods – Polymer synthesis, isolation and purification of polymers – Fractional - Molecular weight determination – Molecular weight distribution curve – determination of glass transition temperature.
10. Elastometric materials – Fibre forming materials – Plastic material Rheology of polymeric materials – compounding and processing techniques. (18 hours).

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