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| 1. | Title of the course | Quantum Chemistry and Chemical Bonding |
| 2. | Course number | CY501L |
| 3. | Structure of credits | 3-0-0-3 |
| 4. | Offered to | PG |
| 5. | New course/modification to | Modification To CY5101/10 |
| 6. | To be offered by | Department of Chemistry |
| 7. | To take effect from | July 2022 |
| 8. | Prerequisite | Nil |
| 9. | Course Objective(s): To provide requisite foundations in quantum mechanics and its applications in diverse fields in chemistry and materials science, in particularly at understanding bonding in molecules and solids. | |
| 10. | Course Content: Uncertainty Principle; Postulates of quantum mechanics; Schrödinger equation: free particle, particle on ring and in box, harmonic oscillator, hydrogen-like atoms, orbitals, angular momentum, electron spin; Wave functions of many-electron atoms: Slater determinant, Pauli exclusion principle, spin-orbit interaction, fine structure, spectral terms; Variational method and its applications; Time-Independent and time-Dependent Perturbation Theory: Stark and Zeeman Spectroscopies and Radiative Phenomena, Fermi's Golden-Rule; Born-Oppenheimer approximation: H ₂ ⁺ and H ₂ molecules, homo- and hetero-nuclear molecules, correlation diagrams; Valence bond theory and molecular orbital theory, MO diagrams of few molecules; Bonding in pi-electron systems, Hückel treatment for conjugated hydrocarbons, electron densities, bond-order and bonding in solids. | |
| 11. | Textbook(s): 1. Atkins P W and de Paula J, <i>Atkins's Physical Chemistry</i> , Oxford University Press (2010). 2. Levine I N, <i>Quantum Chemistry</i> , Prentice Hall (2016). | |
| 12. | Reference(s): 1. Atkins P W and Friedman R S, <i>Molecular Quantum Mechanics</i> , Oxford University Press (2010). 2. Griffiths J D and Schroeter D F, <i>Introduction to Quantum Mechanics</i> , Cambridge University Press (2018). 3. McQuarrie D A and Simon J D, <i>Physical Chemistry: A Molecular Approach</i> , University Science Books (1997). 4. Zettili N, <i>Quantum Mechanics: Concepts and Applications</i> , Wiley (2009). | |