



National Institute of Technology Meghalaya
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CURRICULUM

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| Programme | Bachelor of Technology | Year of Regulation | 2019-20 |
| Department | Physics | Semester | V |

| Course Code | Course Name | Credit Structure | | | | Marks Distribution | | | |
|---------------|---------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| | | L | T | P | C | INT | MID | END | Total |
| PH 371 | Solar Energy | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 50 | 50 | 100 | 200 |

| Course Objectives | Course Outcomes | CO1 | Able to understand all the physical fundamentals that are required for solar cell in general and different technologies in particular |
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| | | CO2 | Able to identify the different type of semiconductor junctions |
| | | CO3 | Able to acquire the knowledge to characterize the solar cell by introducing the most important parameters and efficiency limit of photovoltaic devices. |
| | | CO4 | Able to understand some general design rules of photovoltaic technologies <i>i.e.</i> crystalline silicon technology and thin film technologies. |
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| No. | COs | Mapping with Program Outcomes (POs) | | | | | | | | | | | | Mapping with PSOs | | |
|-----|-----|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|-------------------|------|------|
| | | PO1 | PO2 | PO3 | PO4 | PO5 | PO6 | PO7 | PO8 | PO9 | PO10 | PO11 | PO12 | PSO1 | PSO2 | PSO3 |
| 1 | CO1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | CO2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | CO3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | CO4 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

SYLLABUS

| No. | Content | Hours | COs |
|--------------------|---|-----------|------------|
| I | Solar Radiation: The Sun, Radiometric properties, Blackbody radiation, Wave particle duality, Solar Spectra | 03 | CO1 |
| II | Semiconductor Junctions: p-n Homojunctions, Heterojunctions, Metal-semiconductor junctions | 03 | CO2 |
| III | Solar Cell Parameters and Losses and Efficiency: External solar cell parameters, The external quantum efficiency, The equivalent circuit, The thermodynamics limit, The Shockley Queisser limit, Additional losses, Design rules for solar cells | 07 | CO3 |
| IV | Crystalline Silicon Solar Cells: Crystalline Silicon, Production of Silicon Wafers, Designing c- Si solar cells, Fabricating c- Si solar cells, High efficiency concepts | 05 | CO3 |
| V | Thin Film Solar Cells: Transparent conducting oxides, The III-V photovoltaic technology, Thin film silicon technology, Chalcogenide solar cells, Organic photovoltaics, Hybrid organic- inorganic solar cells | 06 | CO4 |
| Total Hours | | 24 | |

Essential Readings

1. A. Smets, K. Jager, O. Isabella, R. V. Swaaij and M. Zeman, "Solar Energy: The Physics and Engineering of Photovoltaic Conversion, Technologies and Systems", UIT Cambridge, 2016
2. Chetan Singh Solanki., Solar Photovoltaic: "Fundamentals, Technologies and Application", PHI Learning Pvt., Ltd. 2009.

Supplementary Readings

1. L.D. Partain, L.M. Fraas, "Solar Cells and Their Applications", Wiley, 2010.
2. P. Würfel, Physics of Solar Cells, Wiley, 2013.
3. Stephen J. Fonash, Solar Cell Device Physics, 2E, Academic Press, 2010.