

Programme: M. Sc. Part-II (Chemistry)
Title of the Course: Colloids and Surface Science
Course Code: PCO-505
Number of Credits: 03

Effective from AY: 2019-20

Prerequisites for the course:	Should have studied the courses PCC-401, PCC-402 and PCO-401. Should have basic knowledge of Physical Chemistry.	No. of lectures/ hours
Course Objectives:	To Introduce surface properties of materials and forces at different interfaces. To introduce the concept of micelles, microemulsions. To introduce different adsorption models.	
Course Outcomes:	Students should be in a position to understand surface phenomenon and properties of interfaces. Students should be in a position to understand electrochemical phenomenon at interfaces. Students should be in a position to apply these concepts during the lab course in physical chemistry	
Content:	<p>1. Liquid Surfaces and Interfaces</p> <p>1.1 General Introduction. Microscopic picture of liquid surface.</p> <p>1.2 Surface tension and its measurement. Curved liquid surfaces.</p> <p>1.3 The Kelvin equation and capillary condensation.</p> <p>1.4 Nucleation Theory.</p> <p>1.5 The surface excess. Gibbs energy and surface tension. The surface tension of pure liquids. Gibbs adsorption isotherm.</p> <p>2. Electrokinetic Phenomena and Surface Forces</p> <p>2.1 Electrocapillarity – theory and measurement.</p> <p>2.2 Charged surfaces such as mercury, silver iodide and oxides. Measurement of surface charge densities.</p> <p>2.3 Electrokinetic phenomena: concept of zeta potential.</p> <p>2.4 Surface forces – Van der Waals forces between molecules. Surface energy and Hamaker constant.</p> <p>2.5 Measurement of surface forces. The DLVO theory and beyond.</p> <p>2.6 Contact angle and its measurements. The line tension. Wetting and wetting transitions.</p> <p>3. Solid Surfaces</p> <p>3.1 Surface stress and surface tension. Determination of surface energy. Surface steps and defects</p> <p>3.2 Solid – solid interfaces</p> <p>3.3 Microscopy of Solid surfaces: Optical microscopy, Electron Microscopies, Scanning Probe Microscopy (STM, AFM).</p> <p>3.4 Diffraction Methods.</p> <p>4. Adsorption</p> <p>4.1 Types of adsorption and adsorption times. Classification of adsorption isotherms.</p> <p>4.2 Thermodynamics of adsorption.</p>	<p>7 hr</p> <p>9 hr</p> <p>6 hr</p> <p>6 hr</p>

	<p>4.3 Adsorption Models. The potential theory of Polanyi.</p> <p>4.4 Experimental aspects of adsorption from gas phase.</p> <p>4.5 Adsorption on porous solids.</p> <p>4.6 Adsorption from solution.</p> <p>5. Surfactants, Micelles, Emulsions and Thin films</p> <p>5.1 Classification of surfactants.</p> <p>5.2 Spherical micelles: cmc and influence of temperature. Thermodynamics of micellization. Structure of surfactant aggregates</p> <p>5.3 Macroemulsions: properties, formation and stabilization. Evolution and aging. Coalescence and demulsification.</p> <p>5.4 Microemulsions: size of droplets. Elastic properties of surfactant films. Factors influencing the structure of microemulsions.</p>	8 hr
Pedagogy:	Mainly lectures / tutorials. Seminars/assignments/ presentations/ self-study or a combination of some of these could also be used to some extent. Sessions shall be interactive in nature to enable peer group learning.	
Text Books/ Reference Books	<p>Text Book</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. H J Butt, K. Graf and M. Kappl, Physics and Chemistry of Interfaces, Wiley-VCH, 2006. 2. A.W. Adamson and A.P. Gast, Physical Chemistry of Surfaces, New York John Wiley & Sons, 1976. 3. D. Myers, Surfaces, interfaces, and colloids—principles and applications. VCH Publishers, New York, 1991, 4. R. D. Vold and M.J. Vold, Colloid and Interface Chemistry, Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, 1983. 	