

Energy Science and Engineering

Unit-I Energy and its Usage: Units and scales of energy use, Mechanical energy and transport, Heat energy: Conversion between heat and mechanical energy, Electromagnetic energy: Storage, conversion, transmission and radiation, Introduction to the quantum, energy quantization, Energy in chemical systems and processes, flow of CO₂, Entropy and temperature, Carnot and Stirling heat engines, Phase change energy conversion, refrigeration and heat pumps, Internal combustion engines, Steam and gas power cycles, the physics of power plants. Solid-state phenomena including photo, thermal and electrical aspects

Unit-II Nuclear Energy: Fundamental forces in the universe, Quantum mechanics relevant for nuclear physics, Nuclear forces, energy scales and structure, Nuclear binding energy systematics, reactions and decays, Nuclear fusion, Nuclear fission and fission reactor physics, Nuclear fission reactor design, safety, operation and fuel cycles

Unit-III Solar Energy: Introduction to solar energy, fundamentals of solar radiation and its measurement aspects, Basic physics of semiconductors, Carrier transport, generation and recombination in semiconductors, Semiconductor junctions: metal-semiconductor junction & p-n junction, Essential characteristics of solar photovoltaic devices, First Generation Solar Cells, Second Generation Solar Cells, Third Generation Solar Cells

Unit-IV Conventional & non-conventional energy source: Biological energy sources and fossil fuels, Fluid dynamics and power in the wind, available resources, fluids, viscosity, types of fluid flow, lift, Wind turbine dynamics and design, wind farms, Geothermal power and ocean thermal energy conversion, Tidal/wave/hydro power

Unit-V Systems and Synthesis: Overview of World Energy Scenario, Nuclear radiation, fuel cycles, waste and proliferation, Climate change, Energy storage, Energy conservation. Engineering for Energy conservation: Concept of Green Building and Green Architecture; Green building concepts, LEED ratings; Identification of energy related enterprises that represent the breath of the industry and prioritizing these as candidates; Embodied energy analysis and use as a tool for measuring sustainability. Energy Audit of Facilities and optimization of energy consumption

Reference/Text Books

1. Energy and the Challenge of Sustainability, World Energy Assessment, UNDP, New York, (2000).
2. Perspective of Modern Physics, A. Beiser, McGraw-Hill International Editions (1968).
3. Introduction to Modern Physics, H.S. Mani and G.K.Mehta, East-West Press (1988).
4. Introduction to Electrodynamics, D. J. Griffiths, Fourth Edition, Prentice Hall (2013).
5. Introductory Nuclear Physics, R. K. Puri and V.K. Babbar, Narosa Publishing House (1996).
6. Physics of Solar Cells: From Basic Principles to Advanced Concepts by Peter Würfel, John Wiley & Sons, 2016
7. Principles of Solar Engineering, D.Y. Goswami, F.Kreith and J.F. Kreider, Taylor and Francis, Philadelphia, 2000.