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**Full Marks : 60**

**Time : 3 Hours**

*Candidates are required to give their answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

**NUCLEAR AND PARTICLE PHYSICS**

Answer any **three** from the following questions : 3×20

1. Answer any **ten** questions : 10×2=20

(a) The measured mass of deuteron atom ( ${}_1H^2$ ), Hydrogen atom ( ${}_1H^1$ ), proton and neutron are  $2.01649u$ ,  $1.00782u$ ,  $1.00727u$  and  $1.00866u$ . Find the binding energy of the deuteron nucleus.

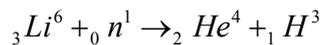
(b) By using single particle shell model predict the ground state spin and parity of  ${}_{29}Cu^{63}$ .

- (c) Consider the particle reaction  $P + n \rightarrow \Xi^- + k^+ + \Sigma^+$

Find the change in strangeness quantum number.

- (d) Using the liquid drop model find the most stable isobar for  $A = 27$ .

- (e) Find out whether the following reaction is exoergic or endoergic



$$M({}_3\text{Li}^6) \rightarrow 6.0151234 \text{ amu}$$

$$M({}_0n^1) \rightarrow 1.0086654 \text{ amu}$$

$$M({}_2\text{He}^4) \rightarrow 4.0026034 \text{ amu}$$

$$M({}_1\text{H}^3) \rightarrow 3.0160294 \text{ amu}$$

- (f) Describe 'Hyper charge' in connection with elementary particles.
- (g) The dead time of a GM counter is  $400 \mu\text{s}$ . What is the true count rate of 1100 counts per minute ?
- (h) Write down Geiger Nuttal law and explain it.
- (i) State C.P.T. theorem for elementary particles.
- (j) Calculate the ionisation current produced by a beam of  $\alpha$  particles of 5MeV energy entering an ionisation chamber at the rate of one particle per second. Given that one ion pair consumes 35 eV energy.
- (k) What is the difference between electron capture and positron emission.
- (l) A 0.01 mm thick  ${}_3\text{Li}^7$  target is bombarded with a beam of intensity  $10^{13}$  protons/sec. As a result  $10^8$  neutrons produced. Calculate the cross section of the reaction given density of lithium =  $500 \text{ kg/m}^3$ .
- (m) Show that the nuclear density of  ${}_1\text{H}^1$  is about 1014 times greater than atomic density. Assume the atom to have the radius of first Bohr orbit.
- (n) Using single particle shell model calculate quadrupole moment of  ${}_{13}\text{Al}^{27}$ .

- (o) A cyclotron has a magnetic field of  $10^4$  gauss and radius of 80cm. Calculate the frequency of the alternating electric field that must be applied and to what energy deuterons can be accelerated ? Mass of deuteron = 2 amu.
2. (a) What are mirror nuclei ? Calculate the  $\beta$  disintegration energy of mirror nuclei.
- (b) Describe Rutherford's experiment on the scattering of  $\alpha$  - particles and state some of the important conclusions drawn from the experiment.
- (c) Explain nuclear binding energy and packing fraction. Discuss graphically the variation of average binding energy per nucleon with A.
- (d) Explain liquid drop model. Give any two achievements of the model. 5×4
3. (a) Determine whether the following relations are allowed or forbidden ?
- (i)  $\pi^+ + n \rightarrow \Lambda^0 + K^+$
- (ii)  $p + \pi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^0 + \eta^0$
- (iii)  $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow n + \mu^+$
- A particle consists of u quark, d quark and s quark. What is its charge ? What is a charmed quark ? 3+1+1
- (b) Explain the working principle of cyclotron and derive the expression for the maximum kinetic energy achieved by a particle.
- Can a cyclotron be used to accelerate electrons ? If not why ? 3+2
- (c) (i) It is found that 20 cm thick sheet of aluminium placed in the path of 1.1 Mev radiation beam reduces the intensity to 2%. Calculate the mass absorption coefficient of aluminium for the radiation. (Density of Aluminium =  $2700 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ).
- (ii) A photon of frequency  $\nu$  is scattered by an electron initially at rest. Derive an expression for kinetic energy of recoil electron. Prove that maximum energy of recoil is
- $$E_{\text{max}} = \frac{h\nu}{1 + \frac{m_0 c^2}{2h\nu}} \quad \text{2+3}$$
- (d) (i) Discuss the origin of asymmetry energy and coulomb energy in semi empirical mass formula.

(ii) Using semi empirical binding energy formula calculate binding energy of  ${}_{20}\text{Ca}^{40}$

Given :  $a_v = 14 \text{ MeV}$ ;  $a_s = 13 \text{ MeV}$ ;  $a_c = 0.6 \text{ MeV}$ ;  $a_a = 19 \text{ MeV}$ ;

$$a_p = (\pm 34.0) \text{ MeV.} \quad 3+2$$

4. (a) What do you mean by internal conversion ? Define internal conversion coefficient.

Explain the process :

- (i)  $\beta$  decay
- (ii) positron emission
- (iii) Electron capture.

Why  $\alpha$  spectra is discrete but  $\beta$  spectra is continuous ? 2+2+4+2

(b) (i) Draw the characteristics curve of GM Counter. Define threshold voltage. An Organic quenched GM tube , operates at 1000 volt and has a wire having diameter 0.2 mm. The radius of the cathode is 2 cm. What is the maximum radial field ? Why can't a GM counter measure the energy of the incident particle ? 2+1+3

(ii) What is the implication of Geiger-Nuttall law in the relation with  $\alpha$  decay ? Given that the range in standard air of the  $\alpha$  particles from radium (half life = 1622 years) is 3.3.6 cm, where as from polonium (half life = 138 days) this range is 3.85 cm. Calculate the half life of RaC for which the  $\alpha$  particle range is 6.97 cm.. 2+2

5. (a) Why are the most stable nuclei found in the region near  $A = 60$  ? Find the energy release, if two  $H^2$  nuclei fuse together to form  $He^4$  nucleus. The binding energy per nucleon of  $H$  and  $He$  is 1.1 MeV and 7.0 Me V respectively. 2+3

(b) What are magic number ? What is the evidence for shell structure of the nucleus ? Sketching the main assumption, explain the shell model of the nucleus. 1+2+2

(c) (i) What is meant by isospin ? Give the value of the isospin and the  $z$  component of the isospin for (i) pions and (ii) nucleons.

- (ii) Explain why the following reaction not allowed under the conservation of baryon number and strangeness number  $\Pi^+ + n \rightarrow K^0 + K^+$ . 3+2
- (d) What is threshold energy in nuclear reaction ? Obtain an expression for threshold energy. 2+3
6. (a) A singly charged positive ion is accelerated through a potential difference of 1000 V in a mass spectrograph. It then passes through a uniform magnetic field  $B = 1500$  gauss, and then deflected into a circular path of radius 0.122 m.
- (i) What is the speed of the ion ? 2
- (ii) What is the mass of the ion ? 2
- (iii) What is the mass number of the ion ? 1
- (b) One milligram of a radioactive material with half-life of 1600 years is kept for 2000 years. Calculate the mass, which would have decayed by this time. 5
- (c) (i) Describe the Fermi's Theory of allowed  $\beta$  decay.
- (ii) Discuss relative merits and demerits of various nuclear models. What is the importance of magic numbers ? 6+4=10
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## ASTRONOMY AND ASTROPHYSICS

Answer any *three* from the following questions : 3×20

1. (a) What are the advantages and disadvantages of the optical telescope ?  
(b) Mention different types of detectors and their detection limit. 10+10
  2. (a) What do you mean by brightness, luminosity, magnitude and temperature of a star ?  
(b) Describe the H-R diagram in details. Show the position of red giants in this diagram. 10+8+2
  3. (a) What are the different types of galaxies ? Give examples.  
(b) Mention the location of the solar system in the universe.  
(c) Define bulges, discs and halo of a galaxy.  
(d) Write down Hubble's Law. 8+2+9+1
  4. (a) What is spectroscopic parallax ? Where it is used ?  
(b) Describe how to determine temperature and radius of a star.  
(c) Differentiate white dwarf and brown dwarf. 6+10+4
  5. (a) Describe solar photosphere and solar atmosphere.  
(b) What is solar corona and solar flare ?  
(c) Describe the "end" of sun like stars. 10+4+6
  6. (a) What do you mean by binary stars and pulser ?  
(b) What is active galactic nuclei ? Mention the properties around the galactic nucleus.  
(c) Write a short note on dark matter. 8+6+6
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## PHYSICS OF EARTH

Answer any *three* from the following questions : 3×20

1. (a) Describe the origin of magnetic field in earth.  
(b) Explain the source of geo-thermal energy. 10+10
  2. (a) What are the origins of oceans, continents, mountains and rift valleys ?  
(b) Describe earth quake and earth quake belts. 10+10
  3. (a) Write a brief description on ocean current system and effect of Coriolis forces on it.  
(b) Explain the origin of tides and Tsunamis. 10+10
  4. (a) Write a short note on green house effect.  
(b) Write a short note on Indian monsoon system. 10+10
  5. (a) Describe water cycle, carbon cycle, nitrogen cycle and phosphorous cycle.  
(b) Explain the role of cycles in maintaining a steady state. 4×4+4
  6. (a) What are geochronological methods ? Mention their application in various geological studies ?  
(b) Describe the history of development in concepts of uniformitarianism, catastrophism and Neptunism. 10+10
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## ADVANCED MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS 2

Answer any **three** from the following questions :

3×20

1. Derive the Euler-Lagrange's equation of motion. Establish Hamilton's principle and Lagrange's equation from the Euler-Lagrange's equation.
2. Discuss briefly about Canonical transformation and Legendre transformation. Show that the following transformation is Canonical

$$P = (qp^2), Q = \frac{1}{p}$$

3. Establish Hamilton's canonical equation of motion in Poisson's bracket form. Show that

$$[q_k, q_l] = [p_k, p_l] = 0$$

$$\text{and } [q_k, p_l] = \delta_{kl}$$

4. Write down the properties that should be hold for forming a group. Show that the symmetry transformations of a square form a group.
5. Consider four-element Abelian group consisting of the set  $\{1, i, -1, -i\}$  under ordinary multiplication, choose the basis vector as  $(1 \ i)^T$ . Find the two dimensional representative matrices corresponding to each elements. Now, change the basis vector  $u = (1 \ i)^T$  to  $u_Q = (3-i \ 2i-5)^T$ . Find the real transformation matrix  $Q$ . Also find the transformed representative matrix  $[D_{QT}(i)]$  corresponding to the element  $i$ .
6. Find the mean and standard deviation of the Poission's distribution. The probability distribution function of the Poission's distribution is given by

$$f(x) = e^{-m} \frac{m^x}{x!}$$

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