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Roll Number

PHYSICS, PAPER-I

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS	PART-I (MCQS)	MAXIMUM MARKS = 20
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PART – II

- Q. 2.** (a) A particle of unit mass moves in potential $V(x) = ax^2 + b/x^2$ where a & b are positive constants. Find the angular frequency of small oscillations? (08)
- (b) A hollow spherical shell carries charge density $\rho = k/r^2$ in region $a \leq r \leq b$. Find the electric field in three regions (i) $r < a$ (ii) $a < r < b$ (iii) $r > b$. (07)
- (c) A projectile is fired in such a way that its horizontal range is equal to three times its maximum height. Determine its angle of projection. (05) **(20)**
- Q. 3.** (a) Assume that a star has uniform density. Show that the gravitational pressure P is proportional to $V^{-3/4}$ where V is volume. (08)
- (b) Derive expressions for potential and electric field associated with point charge q located near an infinite grounded conducting plane. (07)
- (c) Determine equation of motion of masses attached to the string of at-wood machine by Lagrangian methods. (05) **(20)**
- Q. 4.** (a) $Q \text{ cm}^3$ of water flows per second through a horizontal tube of uniform bore of radius r & of length L . Another tube of half the length but radius $2r$ is connected in parallel to same pressure head. What will be the total quantity of water flowing / sec through these two tubes? (08)
- (b) A linear quadruple is an arrangement of a system of charges which consist of $-2Q$ at the origin and $+Q$ at the two point $(\pm d, 0, 0)$. Show that at distances much greater than (*i.e.* $r \gg d$), the potential may be written in the approximate form
- $$V = \frac{Qd^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1), r \gg d$$
- (c) Two soap bubbles with radii r_1 and r_2 coalesce to form a bigger bubble of radii r . Show that $r = (r_1^3 + r_2^3)^{1/3}$. (05) **(20)**

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- Q. 5.** (a) Explain wave function. Derive wave formula and explain phase and group velocity. (08)
- (b) Two semi-infinite grounded metal plates parallel to each other and to the xz -plane are located at $y = 0$ and $y = a$ planes, respectively. The left ends of these two plates at $x = 0$, are closed off by a strip of width a and extend to infinity in the z -direction. The strip is insulated from both the plates and is maintained at a specific potential $V_0(y)$. Find the potential distribution in the slot. (07)
- (c) A two level system has energies 0 & E . The level with zero energy is non-degenerate while the level with energy E is triply degenerate. Find the mean energy of a classical particle in this system at temperature T . (05) **(20)**
- Q. 6.** (a) Explain the particle in finite potential well with all possible cases and solutions and make a comparison with infinite potential well. (08)
- (b) The potential $V_0(\theta)$ is specified on the surface of a hollow sphere, of radius R . Find potential inside the sphere. (07)
- (c) A particle is confined to region $x > 0$ by a potential which increases linearly as $u(x) = u_0 x$. Find the mean position of particle at temperature T . (05) **(20)**
- Q. 7.** (a) When a gas expands adiabatically its volume is doubled while its absolute temperature is decreased by a factor 1.32. Compute number of degree of freedom of gas molecule? (08)
- (b) State and prove Ampere's Law. (07)
- (c) Find the rms speed of oxygen molecules at 0°C ? (05) **(20)**
- Q. 8.** (a) An ensemble of non-interacting spin $-1/2$ particles is in contact with a heat bath at temperature T & is subjected to an external magnetic field. Each particle can be in one of the two quantum states of energies ϵ_0 . If the mean energy per particle is $-\epsilon_0/2$, then find free energy per particle? (08)
- (b) Derive the electromagnetic wave equation in vacuum and also describe the properties of monochromatic electromagnetic waves. (07)
- (c) Discuss adiabatic demagnetization using TDS equations mathematically in detail? (05) **(20)**



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- Q. 2. (a)** An electric dipole, comprising a positive charge q and a negative charge $-q$, is placed on the x -axis. Each charge is at the same distance from the origin. The total separation between the charges is $2a$. Calculate the electric field E due to these charges along the y -axis at the point P, which is at a distance y from the origin. Assume $y \gg a$ ($\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 \text{ N}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$). (10)
- (b)** Write down a mathematical expression to evaluate electric field E at a distance r from the source charge Q in vector form. Sketch the graph of E as a function of r . (6)
- (c)** Define electric field and a dipole. (4) **(20)**
- Q. 3. (a)** Discuss photoelectric effect and establish Einstein's equation for the photoelectric effect. (10)
- (b)** Describe the inadequacy of the wave theory of light to explain the effect. (6)
- (c)** A photon of energy 12 eV falls on a certain metal plate whose work function is 4.15 eV. Find the stopping potential. The mass and charge of electron are $9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ and $1.6 \times 10^{-18} \text{ C}$ respectively and the value of Planck's constant is $6.64 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \times \text{s}$. (4) **(20)**
- Q. 4. (a)** Discuss intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductors. (10)
- (b)** Describe the properties of diamagnetic, paramagnetic and ferromagnetic materials. (6)
- (c)** Briefly discuss the Landé g factor. (4) **(20)**
- Q. 5. (a)** Four charged particles of charge q , $2q$, $3q$ and $4p$ are at the corners of a square of side ' a ' arranged in counter clockwise direction. Determine **(i)** the electric field at the location of charge q and **(ii)** the total electric force exerted on q . (8)
- (b)** A parallel plate capacitor has a plate separation of 1 mm. Calculate the surface area of each plate of the capacitor to obtain a capacitance of 1F. Is it possible to produce such a capacitor in the lab? Comment. ($\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 \text{ N}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$). (6)
- (c)** Define (6) **(20)**
- (i)** Capacitance **(ii)** The unit of capacitance **(iii)** Surface charge density

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- Q. 6.** (a) Set up the Schrodinger wave equation for a particle of mass m confined in a one-dimensional box which has perfectly rigid walls at $x = 0$ and $x = L$. Solve the differential equation to find the expressions for energy and the eigen wave functions of the particle. (10)
- (b) Sketch the graphs for the first three eigen wave functions ψ_1 , ψ_2 and ψ_3 . (5)
- (c) Plot the graphs for the probability densities corresponding to ψ_1 , ψ_2 and ψ_3 . (5) **(20)**
- Q. 7.** (a) Discuss the motion of a charged particle of mass m , charge q and velocity v in a magnetic field B which is directed into the plane of paper. (8)
- (b) Discuss atomic description of dielectrics. (6)
- (c) Let x be the separation between the parallel plates of a capacitor of capacitance C in the absence of a dielectric material. A slab of a material of dielectric constant γ and thickness $\frac{1}{3}x$ is placed between the plates. Calculate the capacitance in the presence of the dielectric material. (6) **(20)**
- Q. 8.** (a) Discuss the properties of three subatomic particles and their corresponding antiparticles. (10)
- (b) Explain in detail, how γ - radiation can be detected? (5)
- (c) How can we prove that an electron does not exist in the nucleus of an atom? (5) **(20)**
