

V Semester B.Sc. Examination, November/December 2014  
(New Scheme) (2013-14 & Onwards)

PHYSICS – VI

Astrophysics, Solid State Physics and Semiconductor Physics

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

**Instruction:** Answer 5 questions from Part – A, 5 questions from Part – B and 5 questions from Part – C.

PART – A

Answer **any five** of the following. **Each** question carries **eight** marks. (5×8=40)

1. a) State and explain Virial theorem. (3+5)
- b) Derive mass-luminosity relation of a star. (4+4)
2. a) What is Supernova ? Explain Supernova explosion. (4+4)
- b) Distinguish between type – I and type – II supernova. (5+3)
3. a) State and explain Moseley's law. Mention any two importances of Moseley's law. (2+6)
- b) Distinguish between the continuous and characteristic X-ray spectra. (5+3)
4. a) Define Hall voltage. Derive an expression for Hall field in the case of metals. (2+6)
- b) What is meant by critical magnetic field in super conductivity ? Explain. (2+6)
5. a) What is Kronig-Penney modes ? Explain. (2+6)
- b) Derive an expression for electrical conductivity on the basis of free electron theory. State Wiedemann-Franz law in the case of metals. (2+6)
6. a) What are intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductors ? (2+6)
- b) Obtain an expression for electron concentration in an intrinsic semiconductor. (2+6)
7. a) Explain the variation of width of depletion with applied forward and reverse voltages. (2+6)
- b) What is static resistance of a p-n junction diode ? Explain. (2+6)
8. a) Distinguish between the saturation and cut-off regions of a transistor. (2+6)
- b) Explain the working of an N-P-N transistor in CE mode as an amplifier. (2+6)

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## PART - B

$$N_A = 6.06 \times 10^{26} \text{ kg - mole} \quad e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \quad 1 \text{ amu} = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

$$h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ JS} \quad m_e = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$$

$$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ JK}^{-1} \quad C = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Answer **any five** of the following. **Each** question carries **four** marks. (5x4)

9. Assuming that the dimmest star visible to the naked eye has a magnitude of about -5 compare its brightness with that of a brightest star whose magnitude is -4.
10. If the luminosity and surface temperature of the star are  $26.1 L_{\odot}$  and  $10000 \text{ K}$  respectively, calculate its Radius, given Stefan-Boltzman's constant  $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ Wm}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-4}$  and luminosity of sun  $3.9 \times 10^{26} \text{ W}$ .
11. Calculate the rotational kinetic energy of a neutron star of mass  $2.5 M_{\odot}$ , radius  $1.5 R_{\odot}$  and frequency 25 rps. Given : Mass of sun and radius of the sun are  $1.989 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$  and  $6.9599 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$  respectively.
12. X-rays of wavelength  $0.3 \text{ \AA}$  undergo a  $60^\circ$  Compton scattering. Find the wavelength of the photon after scattering.
13. Calculate the Fermi energy and Fermi velocity for lithium, given density to be  $534 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$  and atomic weight to be 6.931 amu.
14. Find the mobility of electrons in copper assuming that each atom contributes one free electron for conduction. Resistivity of copper is  $1.7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ ohm - m}$ . Atomic weight of copper is  $63.54 \times 10^3 \text{ kg mol}^{-1}$  and its density is  $8960 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$ .
15. A 24 V, 600 mw Zener diode is to be used for providing a 24 V stabilized supply to a variable load. If the input voltage is 32 V, calculate the value of series resistance.
16. The following quantities are measured in CE amplifier circuit with output A.C short circuited :  $I_b = 10 \mu\text{A}$ ,  $I_c = 1 \text{ mA}$ ,  $V_{be} = 10 \text{ mV}$ . Calculate  $h_{fe}$  and  $h_{ie}$ .

## PART - C

17. Answer **any five** of the following. **Each** question carries **two** marks. (5x2)
- a) The brightness of a star is not a good indicator of its distance. Why?
  - b) The sun is a mediocre member of the main sequence stars. Justify.
  - c) A black hole cannot be seen. Explain why?
  - d) Can ordinary light be used for crystal diffraction? Explain.
  - e) Are ionic crystals good electrical conductors? Explain.
  - f) Are the energy levels completely filled below the Fermi energy level at Absolute zero? Explain.
  - g) Are there holes in the n-type semiconductor? Explain.
  - h) Can the emitter and collector regions of a transistor be interchanged? Explain.