



SM – 350

VI Semester B.Sc. Examination, May/June 2018
(F + R)

(CBCS – 2016-17 and Onwards/NS-Repeaters – 2013-14 and Onwards)
PHYSICS – VII

Atomic Physics, Nuclear Physics and Material Science

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks :70

Instruction : Answer five questions from each Part.

PART – A

Answer any five of the following questions. Each question carries eight marks :

(5×8=40)

1. a) Explain Sommerfeld's atom model.
b) Give an account of the spinning electron hypothesis. (5+3)
2. What is Zeeman effect ? Give the quantum theory of normal Zeeman effect. 8
3. Explain molecular spectra. Obtain an expression for the rotational energy levels of diatomic molecule and the frequency of the rotational spectra. 8
4. a) State the assumptions of Rutherford's α -ray scattering.
b) Obtain the relation between the impact parameter and scattering angle in α -ray scattering experiment. (2+6)
5. With a neat diagram, explain the variation of ionization current with applied voltage in gas ionization detectors. 8
6. What is a Q-value of a reaction ? Explain endothermic and exothermic reaction. Obtain an expression for the threshold energy of an endoergic reaction. 8
7. a) Explain any three distinct properties of nano materials.
b) Mention any two applications of nanomaterials. (6+2)
8. a) Deduce an expression for Lorentz field.
b) Explain any two properties of liquid crystals. (4+4)

PART – B

Solve any five of the following problems. Each problem carries four marks : (5×4=20)

9. The experimental value of Bohr magneton is 9.21×10^{-24} JT⁻¹ and Planck's constant $h = 6.625 \times 10^{-34}$ J-S. Calculate the specific charge.

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10. In the Stern-Gerlach experiment silver atoms traverses a distance of 0.1 m in a non-homogeneous magnetic field of field gradient 55 Tm^{-1} . If the velocity of the silver atoms is 450 ms^{-1} . Calculate the separation between the two trace on the collector plate 0.5 m from the pole pieces.
Mass of silver atom = $1.79 \times 10^{-25} \text{ kg}$.
 $\mu_B = 9.2 \times 10^{-24} \text{ JT}^{-1}$.
11. In an experiment in the study of Raman effect using Hg green radiation of wavelength 5461 \AA , a stokes line of wavelength 5543 \AA was observed. Find the Raman shift and wavelength corresponding to Antistoke's line.
12. Neptunium – $237({}_{93}\text{Np}^{237})$ emits alpha particles of energy 4.19 MeV . Calculate the alpha disintegration energy.
13. The Q-value of $\text{Na}^{23} (n, \alpha)\text{F}^{20}$ reaction is -5.4 MeV . Determine the threshold energy of the neutrons for this reaction. Given mass of neutron = 1.00866 a.m.u. and mass of $\text{Na}^{23} = 22.99097 \text{ a.m.u.}$
14. Determine the radial electric field and life of a GM counter tube operating at 1900V with radii of anode and cathode being 0.09 mm and 1.5 cm respectively. The GM tube has guaranteed life counts of 10^{10} and operates 20 hrs. per day at $2500 \text{ counts per minute}$.
15. Assuming that there are 10^{27} molecules per m^3 in HCl vapour, calculate the orientational polarization at 27°C , if the vapour is subjected to an electric field of 10^6 Vm^{-1} . The dipole moment of HCl molecule is $3.46 \times 10^{-30} \text{ cm}$.
16. The atomic weight and density of sulphur are 32 and $2.08 \times 10^3 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ respectively. The electronic polarizability of the atom is $3.28 \times 10^{-40} \text{ Fm}^2$. If sulphur solid has cubic structure, calculate the dielectric constant.

PART – C

17. Answer **any five** of the following questions. Each question carries **two marks** : **(5×2=10)**
 - a) Is the energy of the electron in the n^{th} orbit in hydrogen atom is negative. Explain.
 - b) What is the direction of magnetic moment of an electron with respect to its orbital angular momentum ? Explain.
 - c) Are Raman scattering and Rayleigh scattering similar ? Explain.
 - d) Is quenching necessary in a GM-counter ? Explain.
 - e) Can a non-radioactive element be changed into a radioactive form ? Explain.
 - f) Can a photon be used as a projectile in a nuclear reaction ? Justify your answer.
 - g) Is silver the best "swimming pool" water purifier ?
 - h) Does the pitch of a chiral nematic liquid crystal get affected by temperature and pressure ?