

2016-17

PHYSICS

SECOND PAPER

Full Marks : 200

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions

GROUP—A

Answer any four questions from the following :

1. (a) State and establish Gauss theorem in electrostatics. Derive an expression for the energy stored in an electric field. 2+4+4=10
- (b) Establish Coulomb's law using Gauss theorem. Find the field due to two concentric charged spherical conductors. 5+5=10
2. (a) How can dielectric constant be determined in the form of a solid slab? 10
- (b) Describe the attracted disc electrometer to determine unknown potential difference. 10

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3. (a) Derive the expressions for the force and torque on a current loop in a uniform magnetic field. 10
- (b) What is magnetic shell? Find an expression for the potential at a point due to a thin magnetic shell. $2+8=10$
4. (a) What is hysteresis loop? How are the values of remanence and coercivity determined from such a loop? $2+8=10$
- (b) Define magnetic permeability and susceptibility. Obtain a relation between them. Discuss in an elementary manner, the atomic origins of dia-, para- and ferromagnetism. $5+5=10$
5. (a) What are Peltier effect and Thomson effect? How would you demonstrate experimentally Peltier and Thomson effects? $2+8=10$
- (b) What is thermoelectric power? Prove that the Peltier coefficient for a pair of metals is product of the absolute temperature and the thermoelectric power. $2+8=10$

6. (a) Describe the necessary theory, construction and working of a Helmholtz galvanometer. 10
- (b) Distinguish between mean value and root-mean-square value of an alternating current. Derive an expression for the r.m.s. value of alternating current. 4+6=10

Answer any *three* questions from the following :

7. Define coefficient of self-induction of a coil. Deduce a mathematical expression for the self-induction of a solenoid. 2+6=8
8. What is resonance in an LCR series circuit? Find an expression for the resonance frequency. What is the value of impedance at resonance? 2+6=8
9. State Kirchhoff's law of current in an electrical network. Deduce the condition of a balanced Wheatstone bridge applying Kirchhoff's law. 2+6=8
10. Discuss the working principle of a simple d.c. motor and find its efficiency. 8

11. Explain the reason of designing transformers with laminated insulated slabs of materials (metals) instead of solid metals. Prove it mathematically.

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GROUP—B

Answer any *four* questions from the following :

12. (a) Describe the Millikan's method of finding the electron charge. Why is oil used in drop? 8+2=10
- (b) How can the unknown mass of a charged particle be determined by Bainbridge mass spectrograph? 10
13. (a) Explain the emission of continuous X-ray spectrum. 10
- (b) What is the difference between continuous and characteristic X-ray spectrums? Explain how the characteristic X-ray spectrum depends upon the nature of target material. 3+7=10
14. (a) What do you understand by mass defect and binding energy of a nucleus? Draw a curve showing the variation of binding energy per nucleon. 6+4=10

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- (b) What is radioisotope? Write its applications. Half-life of Na is 15 hours. How long does it take for 87.5% of the isotope to decay? $6+4=10$
15. (a) Explain with circuit diagram, triode as an amplifier and find the expression for voltage gain. 10
- (b) What is radio broadcasting? How does radio station work? 10
16. (a) Explain how Bohr's theory accounts for the observed spectrum of hydrogen. 10
- (b) Write a short note on G. M. Counter. 10
17. (a) Derive the expression for total energy of an electron revolving around the nucleons of hydrogen atom. 10
- (b) Discuss the neutrino theory of β -decay. How does it explain the continuous energy spectrum of β -decay? 10

Answer any *two* questions from the following :

18. Define thermoionic emission and work function. Write Richardson's equation. What is the conclusion that can be drawn from this equation? $4+4=8$

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19. Distinguish between nuclear fission and nuclear fusion. Explain the principle for the construction of atomic reactor. 4+4=8
20. What is cosmic ray shower? How are cosmic rays affected by latitude and altitude? 4+4=8

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