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**GE2-P1-PHYSICS**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
All symbols are of usual significance.*

**The question paper contains GE-3A and GE-3B.  
The candidates are required to answer any *one* from *two* courses.  
Candidates should mention it clearly on the Answer Book.**

**GE-3A**

**MECHANICS**

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any *five* questions from the following: 1×5 = 5
- (a) What is axial vector? Give an example. 1
  - (b) When the resultant sum of two vectors is zero? 1
  - (c) What do you mean by impulse of a force? 1
  - (d) Give two examples of conservative force. 1
  - (e) What is the radius of gyration? 1
  - (f) What is the condition of a simple harmonic motion? 1
  - (g) Find the dimension of gravitational constant. 1
  - (h) State Kepler's third law of planetary motion. 1

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any *three* questions from the following** 5×3 = 15

2. Define gravitational potential energy and find its expression for a system of masses. 1+4
3. (a) Prove that, the areal velocity of a particle under central force is constant. 3  
(b) Show that, the angular momentum of a particle under central force is constant. 2
4. (a) Define the following terms related to differential equation: 2  
(i) Ordinary (ii) homogeneous  
(b) Solve the differential equation 3

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} = x^3 - 3$$

5. (a) Show that Poisson's ratio of an elastic material lies between  $-\frac{1}{2}$  and  $+\frac{1}{2}$ . 2
- (b) Prove that for a homogeneous medium 3
- $$Y = 3K(1 - 2\sigma)$$
- where the symbols have their usual meanings.
6. (a) Given  $\vec{A} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{B} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ . Find out the unit vector perpendicular to both  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$ . 2
- (b) Prove that, 3
- $$\frac{d}{dt}(\phi\vec{A}) = \phi\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} + \frac{d\phi}{dt}\vec{A},$$
- where  $\phi$  is a differentiable scalar function and  $\vec{A}$  is a differentiable vector.

### GROUP-C

**Answer any two questions from the following**

10×2 = 20

7. (a) Establish the differential equation for a simple harmonic motion and find out its solution. 2+4
- (b) Derive the expression of potential energy for a simple harmonic motion and show that total energy for SHM is constant. 2+2
8. (a) How fast would rocket have to go relative to an observer for its length to be contracted to 98% of its length at rest? 2
- (b) Establish the relativistic equation between the total energy and the momentum of a moving body. 4
- (c) Starting from the relation of variation of mass with velocity establish the equivalence relation of mass and energy. 4
9. (a) Define the bulk modulus and the compressibility. 1+1
- (b) What is the difference between angle of twist and angle of shear? 2
- (c) Calculate the work done in twisting a wire. 3
- (d) Draw and explain stress-strain diagram in connection with the elastic behaviour of a wire. 3
- 10.(a) Establish the relation between the torque and the angular momentum. 2
- (b) If earth suddenly contracts to half of its present radius. What would be the length of a day? 2
- (c) A circular disc of mass  $m$  and radius  $r$  is set rolling on a table. If  $\omega$  be the angular velocity. Show that total energy of the disc is given by  $E = \frac{3}{4}m\omega^2r^2$ . 3
- (d) A sphere of mass 50 g and radius 2 cm rolls with a velocity 5 cm/s. Find out the linear and rotational kinetic energy of the sphere. 3

## GE-3B

## THERMAL PHYSICS AND STATISTICAL MECHANICS

## GROUP-A

1. Answer any *five* questions from the following: 1×5 = 5
- (a) What is the unit of Entropy in S.I. system? 1
- (b) What is the physical significance of the enthalpy? 1
- (c) Write down the expressions of the r.m.s velocity and the most probable velocity of ideal gas particles? 1
- (d) If in a three dimensional space electron density is increased eight times, then how much the Fermi energy is increased? 1
- (e) What is the rotational degree of freedom for a diatomic gas molecule? 1
- (f) What is the value of the chemical potential of a photon gas? 1
- (g) What is the spin of a photon? 1
- (h) What is a throttling process? 1

## GROUP-B

Answer any *three* questions from the following 5×3 = 15

2. (a) Show that for an ideal gas  $C_p - C_v = R$ . 3
- (b) Find out the expression of work done in an adiabatic process for an ideal gas. 2
3. (a) Define the Helmholtz free energy and the Gibbs free energy. 3
- (b) Establish the Clausius-Clapeyron equation from the Maxwell's relations. 2
4. (a) What is the mean free path? 1
- (b) Find out the expression of average velocity of an ideal gas molecule. 4
5. Establish the relation  $PV = \frac{2}{3}E$  for an electron gas at  $T = 0K$ . 5
6. Deduce Wien's displacement law from Planck's law. 5

## GROUP-C

Answer any *two* questions from the following 10×2 = 20

7. (a) What is a heat engine? 2
- (b) Describe, in brief, its working principle. 2
- (c) Show that the thermal efficiency of a Carnot's engine operating between a source at temperature  $T_1$  and a sink at temperature  $T_2$  is  $\eta = 1 - \frac{T_2}{T_1}$ . 6

8. (a) State the Maxwell's Velocity distribution law and draw Velocity distribution curve. 2+1
- (b) Make a comparative discussion on r.m.s average and most probable velocities of an ideal gas molecules. 3
- (c) Prove that  $\gamma = 1 + \frac{2}{f}$  for a mechanical system. (where  $\gamma = C_p/C_v$ ). 4
9. (a) Define a perfect black body, give one example. 1+1
- (b) Use Kirchhoff's law to show that a perfect emitter is also a perfect absorber. 2
- (c) Draw the energy distribution diagram of a perfect black body at two different temperatures. 2
- (d) Suppose the temperature of a body is decreased from 40°C to 30°C in 10 minutes. Let the temperature of the surrounding be 15°C. What will be the temperature of the body after 5 minutes more? 4
- 10.(a) Define phase space. 1
- (b) Explain the concept of microstates with example. 2
- (c) Define the Fermi temperature. If the Fermi velocity of a conduction electron is  $7 \times 10^5$  m/s, then find out the Fermi temperature. 1+2
- (d) In a two-dimensional electron gas, show that the number of electron per unit area is 4

$$n = \frac{4\pi m k_B T}{h^2} \ln(1 + e^{E_f/k_B T})$$

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