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B.Sc. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, OCTOBER 2015

Third Semester

Complementary Course—PHYSICS—QUANTUM MECHANICS, SPECTROSCOPY, NUCLEAR PHYSICS AND ELECTRONICS

(For Chemistry and Geology)

[2013 Admission onwards]

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 60 Marks

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer all questions . 1 mark each.

- 1. What are matter waves?
- 2. What is meant by normalization of wave functions?
- 3. What are the drawbacks of Rutherford's atom model?
- 4. What is Raman Effect?
- 5. What is artificial radio activity?
- 6. Briefly explain the size and shape of a nucleus.
- 7. What is a breeder reactor?
- 8. Draw the forward and reverse characteristics of a junction diode.

 $(8 \times 1 = 8)$

Part B (Brief Answer Questions)

Answer any six questions. 2 marks each

- 9. State and explain Planks quantum hypothesis.
- 10. Briefly explain the conclusions of the Davisson-Germer experiment.
- 11. Explain the fine structure of Hydrogen atom.
- 12. List the salient features of vector atom model.
- 13. Differentiate between half life and mean life of a nucleus.
- 14. State the properties of nuclear forces.
- 15. Briefly explain the liquid drop model of nucleus.

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- 16. Explain the proton-proton cycle of nuclear reactions for stellar energy.
- 17. Bring out voltage regulating action of Zener diode.
- 18. How does a transistor act as an amplifier?

 $(6 \times 2 = 12)$

Part C (Problems /Derivations)

Answer any four questions. 4 marks each.

- Calculate the frequency of radiation, and also the wave number, when an electron jumps from the third orbit to second orbit of hydrogen atom.
- 20. A piece of an ancient wooden boat shows an activity of ¹⁴C of 3.9 disintegrations per minute per gm of carbon. Estimate the age of the boat if the half life of C¹⁴ is 5.568 years. Assume that the activity of fresh carbon -14 is 15.6 dpm. gm.
- 21. The binding energy of neon isotope 10 20 Ne is 160.647 MeV. Find its atomic mass.
- 22. Find the de Broglie wave length of the 40 KeV electrons used in a certain electron microscope.
- 23. Use the semi empirical binding energy formula to calculate the energy that would be released if a U²³⁸ nucleus were to split into two identical fragments.
- 24. A half wave rectifier is used to supply 50 V d.c. to a resistive load of 800 Ω. The diode has a resistance of 25 Ω. Calculate the a.c. voltage required.

 $(4 \times 4 = 16)$

Part D (Long Answer /Problem Questions)

Answer any two questions. 12 marks each.

- 25. What is Photoelectric effect? What are the experimental results observed with the Photoelectric effect? How Einstein explained these results?
- Discuss the theory of vibrational spectra of rigid diatomic molecules.
- Explain nuclear fission and chain reaction. Describe the construction and working of a nuclear reactor.
- 28. Explain the working of centre tap full-wave rectifier. Obtain the expression for its efficiency. What are its advantages and disadvantages?

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