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**M.Sc. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MAY 2018**

**Fourth Semester**

Faculty of Science

Branch II : Physics–A–Pure Physics

PH 4C 12—NUCLEAR AND PARTICLE PHYSICS

(2012 Admission onwards)

[Common for all]

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Weight : 30

**Part A**

*Answer any **six** questions.  
Each question carries a weight of 1.*

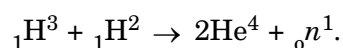
1. Draw the binding energy curve and explain its features.
2. Explain how magnetic dipole moment and electric quadrupole moment arise in a nuclei.
3. What are the characteristics of nuclear forces ?
4. What is Fermi-Kurie plot ?
5. What is compound nuclear reaction and direct reaction ?
6. Explain the concept of effective cross-section in nuclear reactions.
7. Explain the collective model of nucleus.
8. What is a thermonuclear reaction ? Illustrate it with an example.
9. What is strangeness ? Explain conservation of strangeness.
10. What is meant by Quantum Chromodynamics ?

(6 × 1 = 6)

**Part B**

*Answer any **four** questions.  
Each question carries a weight of 2.*

11. Calculate the density in gram/cm<sup>3</sup> for the nuclei <sup>197</sup>Au ?
12. Calculate the Q-value of the following reaction ?



$$m({}_1\text{H}^3) + 3.0169982 \text{ u}, m(2\text{He}^4) = 4.0038727 \text{ u}.$$

$$m({}_1\text{H}^2) + 2.0147361 \text{ u}, 3({}_0n^1) + 1.0089932 \text{ u}.$$

**Turn over**





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13. Obtain the spin and parity for the ground states of  ${}_8\text{O}^{17}$ ,  ${}_{13}\text{Al}^{27}$ ,  ${}_{20}\text{Ca}^{40}$ ,  ${}_{28}\text{Ni}^{61}$  using nuclear shell model.
14. Which of the following processes are absolutely forbidden and why ?
- (i)  $\pi^+ + n \rightarrow \pi^- + \text{P.}$  (ii)  $\pi^0 + n \rightarrow \pi^- + \bar{\text{P.}}$
- (iii)  $n \rightarrow p + \bar{e} + \bar{\nu}_e.$  (iv)  $\pi^0 + \pi^- \rightarrow \bar{n} + \text{P.}$
15.  $\text{P}^{32}$  emits a beta particle with  $E = 1.71 \text{ MCV}$ . Calculate the maximum recoil energy imposed to the nucleus by the beta-particle emission.
16. Analyse the following reactions for possible violations of basic conservation laws.
- (i)  $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow n + \mu^+.$
- (ii)  $\pi^+ + n \rightarrow k^0 + \bar{\text{K.}}$

(4 × 2 = 8)

### Part C

*Answer all questions.*

*Each question carries weight of 4.*

17. Discuss the deuteron system in detail considering it as a rectangular square well potential and deduce an expression for the radius of deuteron.
- Or*
- Discuss in detail the basic properties of nucleus.
18. What is neutrino hypothesis ? Give a detailed account of the Fermi's theory of beta decay.
- Or*
- Deduce an expression for scattering cross-section and reaction cross-section.
19. Discuss how shell model together with spin orbit coupling explains the magic numbers.
- Or*
- Discuss the characteristic of nuclear fission, controlled fission reactions and reactors.
20. Discuss the quark model. Explain the quark structure of nucleons and pions.

*Or*

Illustrate by taking examples the different conservation laws followed by elementary particles.

(4 × 4 = 16)

