

Entrance Examination Syllabus 2018-19 for M.Sc. Physics and M.Sc. Electronics

MECHANICS, OSCILLATIONS AND PROPERTIES OF MATTER

Cartesian, Cylindrical and Spherical coordinate system, Inertial and non-inertial frames of reference, uniformly rotating frame, Coriolis force and its applications. Motion under a central force, Kepler's laws. Effect of Centrifugal and Coriolis forces due to earth's rotation, Center of mass (C.M.), Lab and C.M. frame of reference, motion of C.M. of system of particles subject to external forces, elastic, and inelastic collisions in one and two dimensions, Scattering angle in the laboratory frame of reference, Conservation of linear and angular momentum, Conservation of energy.

Rigid body motion, rotational motion, moments of inertia and their products, principal moments & axes, introductory idea of Euler's equations. Potential well and Periodic Oscillations, case of harmonic small oscillations, differential equation and its solution, kinetic and potential energy, examples of simple harmonic oscillations: spring and mass system, simple and compound pendulum, torsional pendulum.

Bifilar oscillations, Helmholtz resonator, LC circuit, vibrations of a magnet, oscillations of two masses connected by a spring. Superposition of two simple harmonic motions of the same frequency, Lissajous figures, damped harmonic oscillator, case of different frequencies. Power dissipation, quality factor, examples, driven (forced) harmonic oscillator, transient and steady states, power absorption, resonance.

Effect of E and B on charge particles, E as an accelerating field, electron gun, case of discharge tube, linear accelerator, Transverse B field, mass spectrograph, principle of a cyclotron. Mutually perpendicular E and B fields, Parallel E and B fields, principle of magnetic focusing lens.

Elasticity: Strain and stress, elastic limit, Hooke's law, Modulus of rigidity, Poisson's ratio, Bulk modulus, relation connecting different elastic- constants, twisting couple of a cylinder (solid and hollow), Bending moment, Cantilever, Young modulus by bending of beam.

Viscosity: Poiseuille's equation of liquid flow through a narrow tube, equations of continuity. Euler's equation, Bernoulli's theorem, viscous fluids, streamline and turbulent flow. Poiseuille's law, Coefficient of viscosity, Stoke's law, Surface tension.

ELECTRICITY, MAGNETISM AND ELECTROMAGNETIC THEORY

Gradient of a scalar field and its geometrical interpretation, divergence and curl of a vector field, and their geometrical interpretation, line, surface and volume integrals, flux of a vector field. Gauss's divergence theorem, Green's theorem and Stoke's theorem and their physical significance. Kirchoff's law.

Coulomb's law, Work done on a charge in a electrostatic field expressed as a line integral, conservative nature of the electrostatic field. Relation between Electric potential and Electric field, torque on a dipole in a uniform electric field and its energy, flux of the electric field. Gauss's law and its applications.

Dielectric constant, Polar and Non Polar dielectrics, Dielectrics and Gauss's Law, Dielectric Polarization, Electric Polarization vector P, Electric displacement vector D. Dielectric susceptibility and permittivity, Polarizability and mechanism of Polarization, Lorentz local field, Clausius Mossotti equation, Debye equation.

Ferroelectric and Paraelectric dielectrics, Steady current, current density J, non-steady currents and continuity equation, rise and decay of current in LR, CR and LCR circuits, decay constants, AC circuits, complex numbers and their applications in solving AC circuit problems, complex impedance and reactance, series and parallel resonance, Q factor, power consumed by an AC circuit, power factor.

Magnetization Current and magnetization vector M, three magnetic vectors and their relationship, Magnetic permeability and susceptibility, Diamagnetic, paramagnetic and ferromagnetic substances. B.H. Curve, cycle of magnetization and hysteresis, Hysteresis loss, Biot-Savart's Law and its applications, Ampere's law.

Electromagnetic induction, Faraday's law, electromotive force, Mutual and self inductance, Transformers, energy in a static magnetic field. Maxwell's displacement current, Maxwell's equations, electromagnetic field energy density. The wave equation satisfied by E and B, plane electromagnetic waves in vacuum, Poynting's vector.

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THERMODYNAMICS, KINETIC THEORY AND STATISTICAL PHYSICS

The laws of thermodynamics : The Zeroth law, first law of thermodynamics, internal energy as a state function, reversible and irreversible change, Carnot's cycle, Carnot theorem, second law of thermodynamics. Clausius theorem inequality, Entropy, The thermodynamic scale of temperature, Third law of thermodynamics, Concept of negative temperature.

Thermodynamic functions, Internal energy, Enthalpy, Helmholtz function and Gibbs free energy, Maxwell's thermodynamical equations, Application of Maxwell's equation, Joule-Thomson cooling, adiabatic cooling of a system, Van der Waals gas, Clausius-Clapeyron heat equation. Blackbody spectrum, Stefan-Boltzmann law, Wien's displacement law, Rayleigh-Jean's law, Planck's quantum theory of radiation.

Maxwellian distribution of speeds in an ideal gas: Distribution of speeds and velocities, experimental verification, distinction between mean, rms and most probable speed values. Doppler broadening of spectral lines. Transport phenomena in gases: Molecular collisions mean free path and collision cross sections. Estimates of molecular diameter and mean free path. Transport of mass, momentum and energy and interrelationship, dependence on temperature and pressure, Behaviour of Real Gases.

Probability and thermodynamic probability, principle of equal a priori probabilities, statistical postulates. Concept of Gibbs ensemble, accessible and inaccessible states. Concept of phase space, Equilibrium before two systems in thermal contact, probability and entropy, Boltzmann entropy relation. Boltzmann canonical distribution law and its applications, law of equipartition of energy.

Bose-Einstein & Fermi-Dirac conditions, Concept of partition function, Maxwell-Boltzmann, Bose-Einstein and Fermi-Dirac Statistics and their applications.

WAVES, ACOUSTICS AND OPTICS

Waves, Speed of transverse waves on uniform string, speed of longitudinal waves in a fluid, energy density and energy transmission in waves. Waves over liquid surface: gravity waves and ripples. Group velocity and phase velocity, Ultrasonic and infrasonic waves, Reflection, refraction and diffraction of sound, transducers, principle of a sonar system, sound ranging.

Fermat's Principle of extremum path, the aplanatic points of a sphere and other applications. Cardinal points of an optical system, thick lens and lens combinations. Lagrange equation of magnification, telescopic combinations, telephoto lenses. Monochromatic aberrations and their reductions; aspherical mirrors and Schmidt corrector plates.

Interference of light, Thin films. Newton's rings and Michelson interferometer and their applications, Fabry-Perot interferometer.

Diffraction, Types of Diffraction, Fresnel's diffraction, half-period zones, phasor diagram and integral calculus methods, the intensity distribution, Zone plates, diffraction due to straight edge, Fraunhofer diffraction due to a single slit and double slit, Diffraction at N-Parallel slit, Plane Diffraction grating, Rayleigh criterion, resolving power of grating, Prism, telescope.

Polarization of light, Production of polarized light by reflection, refraction and scattering. Polarization by double refraction and Huygen's theory, Nicol prism, Retardation plates, Production and analysis of circularly and elliptically polarized light.

Basic properties of Lasers, coherence length and coherence time, spatial coherence of a source, Einstein's A and B coefficients, Spontaneous and induced emissions, conditions for laser action, population inversion, Types of Laser : Ruby and He-Ne laser and. Applications of laser : Application in communication, Holography and Basics of non linear optics and Generation of Harmonic.

RELATIVITY, QUANTUM MECHANICS, ATOMIC MOLECULAR AND NUCLEAR PHYSICS

Reference systems, inertial frames, Galilean invariance propagation of light, Michelson-Morley experiment, Ether, Postulates for the special theory of relativity, Lorentz transformations, length

contraction, time dilation, velocity addition, variation of mass with velocity, mass-energy equivalence, particle with zero rest mass.

Origin of the quantum theory : Failure of classical physics to explain the phenomena such as black-body spectrum, photoelectric effect, Compton effect, Wave-particle duality, uncertainty principle, de Broglie's hypothesis for matter waves, the concept of Phase and group velocities, Davisson and Germer's experiment. Consequence of de Broglie's concepts, Bohr's atomic model, energies of a particle in a box, wave packets, Uncertainty relation.

Schrodinger's equation, Statistical interpretation of wave function, Orthogonality and normalization of wave function, Probability current density, Operators, expectation values, Ehrenfest's theorem, transition probabilities, applications to particle in a one and three dimensional boxes, harmonic oscillator in one dimension, reflection at a step potential, transmission across a potential barrier.

Spectra of hydrogen, deuteron and alkali atoms spectral terms, doublet fine structure, selection rules. Discrete set of electronic energies of molecules, quantisation of vibrational and rotational energies, determination of inter-nuclear distance, rotational, vibrational and rotational-vibrational spectra, Transition rules, Dissociation limit for the ground and other electronic state, Raman effect, Stokes and anti-Stokes lines.

Interaction of charged particles and neutrons with matter, working of nuclear detectors, G-M counter, proportional counter and scintillation counter, cloud chambers, spark chamber, emulsions, Structure of nuclei, deuteron binding energy, p-p and n-p scattering and general concepts of nuclear forces, Beta decay, alpha decay and continuous and discrete spectra. Nuclear reactions.

SOLID STATE PHYSICS, SOLID STATE DEVICES AND ELECTRONICS

Amorphous and crystalline solids, Elements of symmetry, seven crystal system, Cubic lattices, Crystal planes, Miller indices, Laue's equation for X-ray diffraction, Bragg's Law, Bonding in solids, classification. Cohesive energy of solid, Madelung constant, evaluation of Parameters, Specific heat of solids, classical theory (Dulong-Petit's law), Einstein and Debye theories, Vibrational modes of one dimensional monoatomic lattice, Dispersion relation, Brillouin Zone.

Free electron model of a metal, Solution of one dimensional Schrödinger equation in a constant potential, Density of states, Fermi Energy, Energy bands in a solid (Kronig-Penny model without mathematical details), Difference between Metals, Insulator and Semiconductors, Hall effect, Dia, Para and Ferromagnetism, Langevin's theory of dia and para-magnetism, Curie- Weiss's Law, Qualitative description of Ferromagnetism (Magnetic domains), B-H curve and Hysteresis loss.

Intrinsic and extrinsic semi conductors, Concept of Fermi level, Generation and recombination of electron hole pairs in semiconductors, Mobility of electrons and holes, drift and diffusion currents, p-n junction diode, depletion width and potential barrier, junction capacitance, I-V characteristics, Tunnel diode, Zener diode, Light emitting diode, solar cell, Bipolar transistors, pnp and npn transistors, characteristics of transistors, different configurations, current amplification factor, FET and MOSFET Characteristics.

Half and full wave rectifier, rectifier efficiency ripple factor, Bridge rectifier, Filters, Inductor filter, L and π section filters, Zener diode, regulated power supply using zener diode, Applications of transistors, Bipolar Transistor as amplifier, h-parameter, h-parameter equivalent circuit, Transistor as power amplifier, Transistor as oscillator, principle of an oscillator and Barkhausen's condition, requirements of an oscillator, Wein-Bridge oscillator and Hartley oscillator.

Digital Circuits: Difference between Analog and Digital Circuits, Binary Numbers, Decimal to Binary and Binary to Decimal Conversion, AND, OR and NOT Gates (Realization using Diodes and Transistor), NAND and NOR Gates as Universal Gates, XOR and XNOR Gate, De Morgan's Theorems, Boolean Laws, Simplification of Logic Circuit using Boolean Algebra, Digital to Analog Converter, Analog to Digital Converter.

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