

**BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI**  
(END SEMESTER EXAMINATION)

CLASS: IMSc  
BRANCH: MATHS & COMPUTING

SEMESTER : II  
SESSION : SP/2023

SUBJECT: PH109 PHYSICS-I

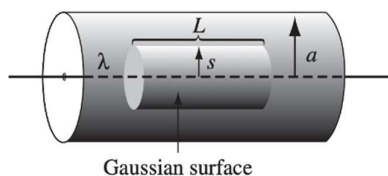
TIME: 3 Hours

FULL MARKS: 50

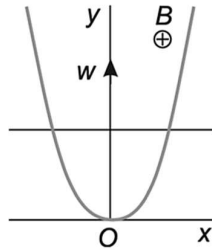
**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 10 marks and total 50 marks.
  2. Attempt all questions.
  3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
  4. Before attempting the question paper, be sure that you have got the correct question paper.
  5. Tables/Data hand book/Graph paper etc. to be supplied to the candidates in the examination hall.
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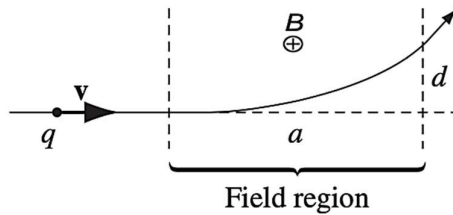
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| Q.1(a) Define Brewster's angle. What is its value for a glass slab ( $n_1 = 1.5$ ) immersed in water ( $n_2 = 1.33$ ) in degrees? Show that at this angle the reflected and refracted rays are perpendicular to each other.  | [5] | 4,2,4 |
| Q.1(b) What do you understand by interference? What are the main methods of observing interference in lab? A narrow slit (in air) on an opaque screen is illuminated by laser of wavelength 1152.2 nm. It is found that the center of the 10 <sup>th</sup> dark fringe in the Fraunhofer pattern lies at an angle of 6.2 degrees off the central axis. What is the slit width? At what angle will the 10 <sup>th</sup> dark fringe appear if the entire setup is immersed in water ( $n = 1.33$ ) instead of air ( $n = 1.0002$ )? | [5] | 4,1,4 |
| Q.2(a) What is an "inertial observer"? Derive the Lorentz transformations connecting 2 inertial observers?   | [5] | 5,5,5 |
| Q.2(b) Define "proper length" and "proper time" in the context of special relativity. A cosmic ray particle (proper mean life time, $\tau = 1$ micro-sec) is created in the upper atmosphere and travels at $0.9c$ , calculate the distance it travels before decay for 2 cases: (a) as measured by an observer on Earth, (b) as measured in the rest frame of the particle.   | [5] | 5,1,5 |
| Q.3(a) Define Binding energy of a nucleus? A nucleus with mass number $A = 235$ splits into two nuclei whose mass numbers are in the ratio 1:2. What is the ratio of their radii?  | [5] | 3,1,3 |
| Q.3(b) Define Isotopes, Isobars and Isotones? Using the Semi-empirical Mass formula below, determine the most stable Isobar for a nucleus having odd mass number ( $A$ ). Take the coefficient values as: $a_1 = 14.1$ MeV, $a_2 = 13.0$ MeV, $a_3 = 0.595$ MeV, $a_4 = 19.0$ MeV.<br>$BE(A, Z) = a_1 A - a_2 A^{2/3} - a_3 Z^2 A^{-1/3} - a_4 (A - 2Z)^2 A^{-1}$  | [5] | 3,5,3 |
| Q.4(a) Define Gauss law of electro-statics? Apply Gauss law to calculate the electric field at a distance $z$ from an infinitely long straight wire carrying a uniform linear charge density $\lambda$ .   | [5] | 1,3,1 |
| Q.4(b) Define the electric displacement vector ( $\vec{D}$ ) for a linear, homogeneous, isotropic dielectric. A long straight wire carrying a uniform linear charge density $\lambda$ , is surrounded by dielectric insulation out to radius $a$ . Find the electric displacement vector.  | [5] | 1,1,1 |



Q.5(a) Define Faraday's law of electro-magnetism. A wire bent as a parabola  $y = bx^2$  (where  $b$  is a constant) is located in a uniform magnetic field  $\vec{B}$ , which is perpendicular to the XY plane and pointing into this page. At the moment  $t = 0$ , a metal rod starts sliding translationally from the parabola apex with a constant acceleration  $\vec{w}$ . Find the induced emf in the loop thus formed as a function of  $y$ . [5] 2,1,2



Q.5(b) Define Lorentz force on a charged particle due to an electro-magnetic field. A particle of charge  $q$  enters a region of uniform magnetic field  $\vec{B}$  (pointing into the page). The field deflects the particle a distance  $d$  above the original line of flight, as shown in the figure below. Is the charge positive or negative? In terms of  $a$ ,  $d$ ,  $B$  and  $q$ , find the momentum of the particle. [5] 2,1,2



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