BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI (MID SEMESTER EXAMINATION MO/SP20**)

CLASS: IMSc SEMESTER:VI BRANCH: PHYSICS SESSION: SP2023

SUBJECT: PH318 INTRODUCTION TO NUCLEAR AND PARTICLE PHYSICS

TIME: 02 Hours FULL MARKS: 25

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 5 marks and total 25 marks.
- 2. Attempt all questions.
- 3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
- 4. Tables/Data handbook/Graph paper etc., if applicable, will be supplied to the candidates

| Q.1(a) Q.1(b) | A nucleus with A=235, splits into two nuclei whose mass numbers are in the ratio 2:1, Find radii of the new nuclei. Discuss briefly Astons mass spectrograph. | [2] [3] | CO 1 | BL I VI |
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| Q.2(a) Q.2(b) | Name the main assumptions of liquid drop model of the nucleus. Using the semiempirical mass formula, determine the most stable isobar for a nucleus having odd A. (a_3 =0.58 MeV, a_4 =19.3MeV) | [2] [3] | 1 | I V |
| Q.3(a) Q.3(b) | Explain magic numbers of nuclei? What are the evidence for shell structure of the nucleus? | [2] [3] | 1 1 | 2 I |
| Q.4(a) Q.4(b) | Discuss the salient features of beta-ray spectra. Explain how Pauli's hypothesis of neutrino beta particle emission solved the anomalies in the beta-ray spectra? | [2] [3] | 2 2 | VI II |
| Q.5(a) Q.5(b) | Distinguish between elastic and inelastic scattering. What is nuclear reactions? Explain exoergic and endoergic reactions? | [2] [3] | 2 2 | IV II |

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