



HDU-CT9

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M. Sc. (Sem. III) (CBCS) Examination

November / December – 2017

Physics : CT-09

(Nuclear & Particle Physics)

Time : $2\frac{1}{2}$ Hours]

[Total Marks : 70

- Instructions :** (1) Attempt all questions.
(2) All questions carry equal marks.

1 Answer in brief any seven : **14**

- (1) Define: Unified mass unit.
- (2) Define: Average binding energy of a nuclear particle.
- (3) Calculate the Coulomb energy constant in MeV ($e = 4.8 \times 10^{-10}$ esu, $R_0 = 1.2$ fm)
- (4) Write the condition for spontaneous emission of β^- decay.
- (5) The decay constant of a β source is 0.001 sec^{-1} . Find its half life time.
- (6) List the fissile nuclides.
- (7) Complete the following decay mode.
 ${}_2\text{He}^6 \rightarrow {}_3\text{Li}^6 + \dots\dots\dots + \bar{\nu}$.
- (8) What do you mean by transfer nuclear reaction? Give one example.
- (9) What do you mean by fermions and bosons?
- (10) Why the process $p \rightarrow e^+ + \gamma$ has never been observed to occur?

2 Answer the following questions : (any two out of three) **14**

- (1) Make a list of basic nuclear properties. Discuss time dependent nuclear properties in detail.
- (2) Discuss the isotopes, isobars and isotones with at least two examples of each.
- (3) What is nuclear binding energy? Define it. Calculate the total and average binding energy of ${}^{12}\text{C}$ nuclide
[$M_{\text{H}} = 1.007825$ u, $M_{\text{n}} = 1.008665$ u, $M({}^{12}\text{C}) = 12.000000$ u].

- 3** Answer the following questions : (all are **compulsory**) **14**
- (a) Write the essential assumptions of a liquid drop model. Derive the Von-Weizsacker's semi-empirical mass formula.
 - (b) Discuss the spin-orbit coupling model in detail. Find the nuclear spin and parity for the following nuclides. ${}^1\text{H}$, ${}^{11}\text{C}$, ${}^{12}\text{C}$, ${}^4\text{He}$.

OR

- 3** Answer the following questions : (all are **compulsory**) **14**
- (a) Discuss a nuclear reaction in lab system with necessary figure and derive nuclear reaction Q equation. Mention its special case.
 - (b) Discuss in detail: Elementary particle quantum numbers.
- 4** Answer the following questions : (any two out of three) **14**
- (1) Discuss neutrino hypothesis.
 - (2) Derive the conditions for spontaneous emission of β^- and β^+ decay.
 - (3) Discuss Compton Effect, when gamma radiations interact with matter.
- 5** Write any **two** short notes : **14**
- (1) Fermi's theory of β decay.
 - (2) Critical energy for nuclear fission.
 - (3) Internal conversion process.
 - (4) Symmetry and conservation laws.