GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. This Question-cum-Answer Booklet has 20 pages consisting of Part-I and Part-II.
2. An ORS (Optical Response Sheet) is inserted inside the Question-cum-Answer Booklet for filling in the answers of Part-I. Verify that the CODE and NUMBER Printed on the ORS matches with the CODE and NUMBER Printed on the Question-cum-Answer Booklet.
3. Based on the performance of Part-I, a certain number of candidates will be shortlisted. Part-II will be evaluated only for those shortlisted candidates.
4. The merit list of the qualified candidates will depend on the performance in both the parts.
5. Write your Registration Number and Name on the top right corner of this page as well as on the right hand side of the ORS. Also fill the appropriate bubbles for your registration number in the ORS.
6. The Question Booklet contains blank spaces for your rough work. No additional sheets will be provided for rough work.
7. Non-Programmable Calculator is ALLOWED. But clip board, log tables, slide rule, cellular phone and other electronic gadgets are NOT ALLOWED.
8. The Question-cum-Answer Booklet and the ORS must be returned in its entirety to the Invigilator before leaving the examination hall. Do not remove any page from this Booklet.
9. Refer to special instructions/useful data on the reverse of this page.

Instructions for Part-I

10. Part-I consists of 35 objective type questions. The first 10 questions carry ONE mark each and the rest 25 questions carry TWO marks each.
11. Each question has 4 choices for its answer: (A), (B), (C) and (D). Only ONE of the four choices is correct.
12. Fill the correct answer on the left hand side of the included ORS by darkening the appropriate bubble with a black ink ball point pen as per the instructions given therein.
13. There will be negative marks for wrong answers. For each 1 mark question the negative mark will be 1/3 and for each 2 mark question it will be 2/3.

Instructions for Part-II

14. Part-II has 8 subjective type questions. Answers to this part must be written in blue/black/blue-black ink only. The use of sketch pen, pencil or ink of any other color is not permitted.
15. Do not write more than one answer for the same question. In case you attempt a descriptive question more than once, please cancel the answer(s) you consider wrong. Otherwise, the answer appearing last only will be evaluated.
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IMPORTANT NOTE FOR CANDIDATES

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- Write the answers to the objective questions by filling in the appropriate bubble on the left hand side of the included ORS.
- Part-II consists of 8 descriptive type questions each carrying five marks.

PART- I: Objective Questions

Q. 1 – Q. 10 carry one mark each.

Q. 1 For vectors \( \vec{a} = \hat{j} + \hat{k} \), \( \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} \) and \( \vec{c} = \hat{j} - \hat{k} \), the vector product \( \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) \) is

(A) in the same direction as \( \vec{c} \)  
(B) in the direction opposite to \( \vec{c} \)

(C) in the same direction as \( \vec{b} \)  
(D) in the direction opposite to \( \vec{b} \)

Q. 2 A particle of mass \( m \) carrying charge \( q \) is moving in a circle in a magnetic field \( B \). According to Bohr’s model, the energy of the particle in the \( n^{th} \) level is

(A) \( \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \frac{hQB}{\pi m} \right) \)  
(B) \( n \left( \frac{hQB}{\pi m} \right) \)

(C) \( n \left( \frac{hQB}{2\pi m} \right) \)  
(D) \( n \left( \frac{hQB}{4\pi m} \right) \)

Q. 3 A conducting slab of copper PQRS is kept on the xy plane in a uniform magnetic field along x-axis as indicated in the figure. A steady current \( I \) flows through the cross section of the slab along the y-axis. The direction of the electric field inside the slab, arising due to the applied magnetic field is along the

(A) negative Y direction  
(B) positive Y direction

(C) negative Z direction  
(D) positive Z direction

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Q.4 A collimated beam of light of diameter 1 mm is propagating along the x-axis. The beam is to be expanded to a collimated beam of diameter 10 mm using a combination of two convex lenses. A lens of focal length of 50 mm and another lens with focal length $F$ are to be kept at a distance $d$ between them. The values of $F$ and $d$ respectively, are

(A) 450 mm and 10 mm  
(B) 400 mm and 500 mm  
(C) 550 mm and 600 mm  
(D) 500 mm and 550 mm

Q.5 Octal equivalent of decimal number $478_{10}$ is

(A) $736_8$  
(B) $673_8$  
(C) $637_8$  
(D) $367_8$

Q.6 A spherical ball of ice has radius $R_0$ and is rotating with an angular speed $\omega$ about an axis passing through its centre. At time $t = 0$, it starts acquiring mass because the moisture (at rest) around it starts to freeze on it uniformly. As a result its radius increases as $R(t) = R_0 + \alpha t$, where $\alpha$ is a constant. The curve which best describes its angular speed with time is

Q.7 In 1-dimension, an ensemble of $N$ classical particles has energy of the form $E = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} kx^2$. The average internal energy of the system at temperature $T$ is

(A) $\frac{3}{2} Nk_B T$  
(B) $\frac{1}{2} Nk_B T$  
(C) $3Nk_B T$  
(D) $Nk_B T$

Q.8 In a photoelectric effect experiment, ultraviolet light of wavelength 320 nm falls on the photocathode with work function of 2.1 eV. The stopping potential should be close to

(A) 1.8 V  
(B) 1.6 V  
(C) 2.2 V  
(D) 2.4 V

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Q. 9 In an ideal operational amplifier depicted below, the potential at node A is

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\begin{array}{c}
\text{(A) } 1 \text{ V} \\
\text{(B) } 0 \text{ V} \\
\text{(C) } 5 \text{ V} \\
\text{(D) } 25 \text{ V}
\end{array}
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Q. 10 To operate a npn transistor in active region, its emitter-base and collector-base junction respectively, should be

(A) forward biased and reversed biased
(B) forward biased and forward biased
(C) reversed biased and forward biased
(D) reversed biased and reversed biased

Q. 11 – Q. 35 carry two marks each.

Q. 11 The value of \( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n \sin(n\theta) \) for \( r = 0.5 \) and \( \theta = \frac{\pi}{3} \) is

(A) \( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \) 
(B) \( \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \) 
(C) \( \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \) 
(D) \( \sqrt{3} \)

Q. 12 In a parallel plate capacitor the distance between the plates is 10 cm. Two dielectric slabs of thickness 5 cm each and dielectric constants \( K_1 = 2 \) and \( K_2 = 4 \) respectively, are inserted between the plates. A potential of 100 V is applied across the capacitor as shown in the figure. The value of the net bound surface charge density at the interface of the two dielectrics is

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\begin{array}{c}
\text{(A) } -\frac{2000}{3} \varepsilon_0 \\
\text{(B) } -\frac{1000}{3} \varepsilon_0 \\
\text{(C) } -250 \varepsilon_0 \\
\text{(D) } \frac{2000}{3} \varepsilon_0
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Q.13  The electric fields of two light sources with nearby frequencies $\omega_1$ and $\omega_2$, and wave vectors $k_1$ and $k_2$, are expressed as $\vec{E}_1 = E_{10} \hat{z} e^{-i(k_1z - \omega_1t)}$ and $\vec{E}_2 = E_{20} \hat{z} e^{-i(k_2z - \omega_2t)}$, respectively. The interference pattern on the screen is photographed at $t = t_0$; denote $(k_1 - k_2)z - (\omega_1 - \omega_2)t_0$ by $\theta$. For this pattern

(A) a bright fringe will be obtained for $\cos \theta = -1$
(B) a bright fringe intensity is given by $(E_{10})^2 + (E_{20})^2$
(C) a dark fringe will be obtained for $\cos \theta = 1$
(D) a dark fringe intensity is given by $(E_{10} - E_{20})^2$

Q.14  A solid metallic cube of heat capacity $S$ is at temperature 300 K. It is brought in contact with a reservoir at 600 K. If the heat transfer takes place only between the reservoir and the cube, the entropy change of the universe after reaching the thermal equilibrium is

(A) 0.69 $S$  (B) 0.54 $S$  (C) 0.27 $S$  (D) 0.19 $S$

Q.15  If the surface integral of the field $\vec{A}(x, y, z) = 2\alpha x\hat{i} + \beta y\hat{j} - 3\gamma z\hat{k}$ over the closed surface of an arbitrary unit sphere is to be zero, then the relationship between $\alpha$, $\beta$ and $\gamma$ is

(A) $\alpha + \beta / 6 - \gamma = 0$  (B) $\alpha / 3 + \beta / 6 - \gamma / 2 = 0$
(C) $\alpha / 2 + \beta - \gamma / 3 = 0$  (D) $2/\alpha + 1/\beta - 3/\gamma = 0$

Q.16  The moment of inertia of a disc about one of its diameters is $I_M$. The mass per unit area of the disc is proportional to the distance from its centre. If the radius of the disc is $R$ and its mass is $M$, the value of $I_M$ is

(A) $\frac{1}{2} MR^2$  (B) $\frac{3}{2} MR^2$  (C) $\frac{3}{10} MR^2$  (D) $\frac{3}{2} MR^2$

Q.17  A rigid uniform horizontal wire PQ of mass $M$, pivoted at P, carries a constant current $I$. It rotates with a constant angular speed in a uniform vertical magnetic field $B$. If the current were switched off, the angular acceleration of the wire, in terms of $B$, $M$ and $I$ would be

(A) 0  (B) $\frac{2BI}{3M}$  (C) $\frac{3BI}{2M}$  (D) $\frac{BI}{M}$

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Q.18 Two points $N$ and $S$ are located in the northern and southern hemisphere, respectively, on the same longitude. Projectiles $P$ and $Q$ are fired from $N$ and $S$, respectively, towards each other. Which of the following options is correct for the projectiles as they approach the equator?

(A) Both $P$ and $Q$ will move towards the east
(B) Both $P$ and $Q$ will move towards the west
(C) $P$ will move towards the east and $Q$ towards the west
(D) $P$ will move towards the west and $Q$ towards the east

Q.19 Two particles $A$ and $B$ of mass $m$ and one particle $C$ of mass $M$ are kept on the $x$ axis in the order $ABC$. Particle $A$ is given a velocity $\vec{v}$. Consequently there are two collisions, both of which are completely inelastic. If the net energy loss because of these collisions is $\frac{7}{8}$ of the initial energy, the value of $M$ is (ignore frictional losses)

(A) 8 m  
(B) 6 m  
(C) 4 m  
(D) 2 m

Q.20 The line integral $\oint \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l}$ of a vector field $\vec{A}(x, y) = \frac{1}{r^2}(-y\hat{i} + x\hat{j})$, where $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$, is taken around a square (see figure) of side unit length and centered at $(x_0, y_0)$ with $|x_0| > \frac{1}{2}$ and $|y_0| > \frac{1}{2}$. If the value of the integral is $L$, then

(A) $L$ depends on $(x_0, y_0)$
(B) $L$ is independent of $(x_0, y_0)$ and its value is $-1$
(C) $L$ is independent of $(x_0, y_0)$ and its value is $0$
(D) $L$ is independent of $(x_0, y_0)$ and its value is $2$

Q.21 Diamond lattice can be considered as a combination of two fcc lattices displaced along the body diagonal by one quarter of its length. There are eight atoms per unit cell. The packing fraction of the diamond structure is

(A) 0.48  
(B) 0.74  
(C) 0.34  
(D) 0.68

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Q.22 Thermal neutrons (energy = 300 $k_B = 0.025$ eV) are sometimes used for structural determination of materials. The typical lattice spacing of a material for which these can be used is

(A) 0.01 nm  
(B) 0.05 nm  
(C) 0.1 nm  
(D) 0.15 nm

Q.23 What is the maximum height above the dashed line attained by the water stream coming out at B from a thin tube of the water tank assembly shown in the figure? Assume $h = 10$ m, $L = 2$ m, and $\theta = 30^\circ$.

![Diagram of water tank assembly]

(A) 10 m  
(B) 2 m  
(C) 1.2 m  
(D) 3.2 m

Q.24 A steady current in a straight conducting wire produces a surface charge on it. Let $E_{\text{out}}$ and $E_{\text{in}}$ be the magnitudes of the electric fields just outside and just inside the wire, respectively. Which of the following statements is true for these fields?

(A) $E_{\text{out}}$ is always greater than $E_{\text{in}}$

(B) $E_{\text{out}}$ is always smaller than $E_{\text{in}}$

(C) $E_{\text{out}}$ could be greater or smaller than $E_{\text{in}}$

(D) $E_{\text{out}}$ is equal to $E_{\text{in}}$

Q.25 A small charged spherical shell of radius 0.01 m is at a potential of 30 V. The electrostatic energy of the shell is

(A) $10^{-10}$ J  
(B) $5 \times 10^{-10}$ J  
(C) $5 \times 10^{-9}$ J  
(D) $10^{-9}$ J

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Q.26  At an instant shown, three point masses $m$, $2m$ and $3m$ rest on a horizontal surface, and are at the vertices of an equilateral triangle of unit side length. Assuming that $G$ is the gravitational constant, the magnitude and direction of the torque on the mass $3m$, about the point $O$, at that instant is

(A) Zero
(B) $\frac{3}{2}G\sqrt{3}m^2$, going into the paper
(C) $3G\sqrt{3}m^2$, coming out of the paper
(D) $\frac{3}{4}G\sqrt{3}m^2$, going into the paper

Q.27  A sine wave of 5 V amplitude is applied at the input of the circuit shown in the figure. Which of the following waveforms represents the output most closely?

(A) 5V  -5V
(B) 5V  -3V
(C) 3V  -3V
(D) 3V  -5V

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Q.28 1011 binary input have been applied at $X_3 X_2 X_1 X_0$ input in the shown logic circuit made of XOR gates. The binary output $Y_3 Y_2 Y_1 Y_0$ of the circuit will be

(A) 1101  
(B) 1010  
(C) 1111  
(D) 0101

Q.29 A ring of radius $R$ carries a linear charge density $\lambda$. It is rotating with angular speed $\omega$. The magnetic field at its center is

(A) $\frac{3\mu_0 \lambda \omega}{2}$  
(B) $\frac{\mu_0 \lambda \omega}{2}$  
(C) $\frac{\mu_0 \lambda \omega}{\pi}$  
(D) $\mu_0 \lambda \omega$

Q.30 A stationary source (see figure below) emits sound waves of frequency $f$ towards a wall. If an observer moving with speed $u$ in a direction perpendicular to the wall, measures a frequency $f' = \frac{u}{u} f$ at the instant shown, then $u$ is related to the speed of sound $V_s$ as

(A) $V_s$  
(B) $V_s/2$  
(C) $V_s/4$  
(D) $V_s/8$

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Q.31 A real gas has specific volume \( v \) at temperature \( T \). Its coefficient of volume expansion and isothermal compressibility are \( \alpha \) and \( k_T \), respectively. Its molar specific heat at constant pressure \( C_p \) and molar specific heat at constant volume \( C_v \) are related as

(A) \( C_p = C_v + R \) \hspace{1cm} (B) \( C_p = C_v + \frac{T\alpha}{k_T} \)

(C) \( C_p = C_v + \frac{T\alpha^2}{k_T} \) \hspace{1cm} (D) \( C_p = C_v \)

Q.32 Two frames, O and O', are in relative motion as shown. O' is moving with speed \( c/2 \), where \( c \) is the speed of light. In frame O, two separate events occur at \((x_1, t_1)\) and \((x_2, t_2)\). In frame O', these events occur simultaneously. The value of \((x_2 - x_1)/(t_2 - t_1)\) is

(A) \( c/4 \) \hspace{1cm} (B) \( c/2 \) \hspace{1cm} (C) \( 2c \) \hspace{1cm} (D) \( c \)

Q.33 White light is incident on a grating \( G_1 \) with groove density 600 lines/mm and width 50 mm. A small portion of the diffracted light is incident on another grating \( G_2 \) with groove density 1800 lines/mm and width 15 mm. The resolving power of the combined system is

(A) \( 3 \times 10^3 \) \hspace{1cm} (B) \( 57 \times 10^3 \) \hspace{1cm} (C) \( 81 \times 10^7 \) \hspace{1cm} (D) \( 108 \times 10^5 \)

Q.34 Four particles of mass \( m \) each are inside a two dimensional square box of side \( L \). If each state obtained from the solution of the Schrodinger equation is occupied by only one particle, the minimum energy of the system in units of \( \frac{\hbar^2}{2mL^2} \) is

(A) \( 2 \) \hspace{1cm} (B) \( \frac{5}{2} \) \hspace{1cm} (C) \( \frac{11}{2} \) \hspace{1cm} (D) \( \frac{25}{4} \)

Q.35 At atmospheric pressure (=\(10^5\) Pa), aluminium melts at 550 K. As it melts, its density decreases from \( 3 \times 10^3 \) kg/m\(^3\) to \( 2.9 \times 10^3 \) kg/m\(^3\). Latent heat of fusion of aluminium is \( 24 \times 10^3 \) J/kg. The melting point of aluminium at a pressure of \( 10^7 \) Pa is closest to

(A) \( 551.3 \) K \hspace{1cm} (B) \( 552.6 \) K \hspace{1cm} (C) \( 558.7 \) K \hspace{1cm} (D) \( 547.4 \) K

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PART - II: Descriptive Questions

Q. 36 – Q. 43 carry five marks each.

Q.36 Find the solution of the differential equation \( \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 5 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \) with the boundary condition \( y(0) = 2 \) and \( \frac{dy}{dx}_{x=0} = 2 \), giving all steps clearly. Find the value of \( x \) where \( y = 0 \).
Q.37 The electric field in an electromagnetic (EM) wave is \( \vec{E} = \sqrt{6\pi} i \sin[2\pi(10^6 x - 3 \times 10^{14} t)] \). What is the intensity of the EM wave and the number of photons per second falling on the unit area of a perfectly reflecting screen kept perpendicular to the direction of propagation? When a photon in this beam is reflected from the screen, what is the impulse it imparts to the screen? Use this to find the pressure exerted by the EM wave on the screen.
Q.38 A uniform rod of mass $m$ and length $l$ is hinged at one of its ends $O$ and is hanging vertically. It is hit at its midpoint with a very short duration impulse $J$ so that it starts rotating about $O$. Find the magnitude and direction of the horizontal impulse that $O$ applies on the rod when it is hit.
Q.39  **An easy derivation of** $PV^{\gamma}=\text{constant for an ideal gas undergoing an adiabatic process:**}

Consider $P$ and $V$ as the basic variables of an ideal gas and write the heat exchanged $dQ$ in terms of $dV$ and $dP$. Next, using the definition of $C_P$ and $C_V$ in the expression for $dQ$, obtain a differential equation relating $P$ and $V$ for an adiabatic process and solve it to get the desired relationship. Derivation SHOULD NOT use the first law of thermodynamics. [For a function $f(x, y)$ the differential $df = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_y \, dx + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)_x \, dy$.]
As shown in the figure below, an unpolarised beam of light of wavelength 500 nm is incident on a linear polariser at AF with vertical polarisation. The light beam then passes through a wave plate BE (half wave or quarter wave plate) of thickness 1.00125 mm and gets reflected from a mirror CD. The reflected light is indicated by the dashed line (DEF) in the diagram. The ordinary and extraordinary refractive indices for the material of the wave plate are 1.658 and 1.558, respectively. Light is incident normally on all surfaces.

(a) What is the polarisation of the beam at C?
(b) What is the polarisation of the beam at E and F?
A standing wave of light is formed between two mirrors and a beam of atoms is incident on it normally (see figure below) from the left. On the right side, atoms are detected in the direction of the beam and also at an angle $\theta$ as shown in the figure. This is due to material waves of atoms diffracted by the standing wave that acts like a grating; the slit width of this grating is given by the distance between two maxima of the light intensity. If the atomic beam is made of atoms of mass $m$ moving with speed $v$ and the light wave has wavelength $\lambda_L$, find the smallest angle $\theta$ by using the diffraction condition.
Q.42 According to Wien’s theory of black body radiation, the spectral energy density in a blackbody cavity at temperature $T$ is given as

$$u_T(\lambda) d\lambda = \frac{\alpha}{c^3 \lambda^5} e^{-\beta \lambda T} d\lambda$$

where $\alpha$ and $\beta$ are constants and $c$ is the speed of light. Further, the intensity of radiation coming out of the cavity is $\frac{u_T c}{4}$, where $u_T = \int_0^{\infty} u_T(\lambda) d\lambda$ is the total energy density of radiation. Given that Stefan-Boltzmann constant $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8}$ Wm$^{-2}$K$^{-4}$ and $\lambda_{\text{max}} T = 2.90 \times 10^{-3}$ m.K, find the values of $\alpha$ and $\beta$. The value of integral $\int_0^{\infty} x^3 e^{-x} dx = 6$. 

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Q.43 A horizontal rod of proper length $L$ moves with uniform speed $V > 0$ along the x-axis of a coordinate frame. A ground observer measures the position coordinates of its two ends at two different times, with time difference $\Delta t > 0$. The observer finds that the difference between the two coordinates is $L$. Calculate $\Delta t$ in terms of $L$, $V$ and the speed of light $c$. If measured correctly, what would have been the length of the rod in the ground frame?
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