

## 2022

## PHYSICS

(Honours)

Paper: PHY-HC-6026

## (Statistical Mechanics)

Full Marks: 60

Time: Three hours

## The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

- 1. Answer any seven questions from the following: 1×7=7
  - (a) What is the minimum volume of the phase cell in quantum statistics?
  - (b) What is the dimension of partition function?
  - (c) Write one limitation of Maxwell-Boltzmann statistics.
  - (d) Name the statistics where Pauli's exclusion principle is used.
  - (e) State Kirchhoff's law of heat radiation.

- (f) What is Fermi energy?
- (g) What is Chandrasekhar mass limit?
- (h) What is the absorptive power of a perfectly black body?
- (i) Write one difference between B-E and F-D statistics.
- (j) The temperature of a black body is increased from 27°C to 327°C. By how many times the emission of energy will be increased?
- 2. Answer **any four** of the following: 2×4=8
  - (a) Define microstate and macrostate.
  - (b) Define phase space and phase line.
  - (c) What is ultraviolet catastrophe?
  - (d) The wavelength of maximum emissive power of sun's heat radiation is 4750 Å. Find the surface temperature of the sun. [Wien's displacement constant = 0.2892 cm-K]
  - (e) Three particles are to be distributed in four energy levels. Calculate all possible ways of distribution when particles are
    - (i) fermions;
    - (ii) classical particles.

- (f) What is degenerate Bose gas?
- (g) What is white dwarf star?
- (h) Define ensemble.
- 3. Answer **any three** of the following:  $5 \times 3 = 15$ 
  - (a) Write a short note on Gibbs paradox.
  - (b) Derive the relation S = klnW, where  $S \rightarrow$  entropy,  $k \rightarrow$  Boltzmann constant,  $W \rightarrow$  probability.

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- (c) Derive the distribution law of M-B statistics.
- (d) Derive the distribution law of F-D statistics.
- (e) Show that Fermi energy of electron gas is independent of shape and size of the material.
- (f) Derive Rayleigh-Jeans radiation law from Planck's radiation law.
- (g) Derive Sackur-Tetrode equation.
- (h) What is radiation pressure? Derive an expression of diffused radiation pressure.
- 4. Answer **any three** questions of the following: 10×3=30
  - (a) State the law of equipartition of energy and prove it. 2+8=10

- Write Planck's quantum postulate and (b) derive Planck's law of black-body 2+8=10radiation.
- Write the differences between photon (c) and ideal gas. Starting from B-E statistics distribution law derive Planck's 3+7=10law.
- (d) Define Stefan-Boltzmann law and deduce it from thermodynamic 3+7=10consideration.
- (e) What is electron gas? Derive the expression of energy distribution of free electrons in a metal using F-D statistics. 2+8=10
- (f) Explain Bose-Einstein condensation. Define critical temperature for B-E condensation. 8+2=10
- From Planck's law, derive (g)
  - (i) Wien's law;
  - Stefan-Boltzmann law. (ii)

Compare among three statistics M-B, B-and F-D. Under what condition dassical statistics approaches guardtum statistics.