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MID SEMESTER EXAMINATION

WINTER SEMESTER, 2016-2017
FULL MARKS: 75

DURATION: 1 HOUR 30 MINUTES

Phy 4141: Physics

Programmable calculators are not allowed. Do not write anything on the question paper.

There are **4 (four)** questions. Answer any **3 (three)** of them.

Figures in the right margin indicate marks.

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| 1. a) | Discuss charge and matter in electrostatics. With the help of a suitable example show that the charge is quantized and conserved. | 7 |
| b) | State and explain Coulomb's law. Describe Millikan's Oil drop experiment to measure the value of the elementary charge e . | 8 10 |
| c) | Three small balls, each of mass 10 gm, are suspended separately from a common point by silk threads, each 1.0 meter long. The balls are identically charged and hang at corners of an equilateral triangle 0.1 meter long on a side. What is the charge on each ball? | 8 8 |
| 2. a) | State and explain Gauss's law in electrostatics. Discuss the nature of electric flux Φ_E and the magnetic flux Φ_B . | 4 7 |
| b) | Apply Gauss's law to calculate the electric field (i) at a distance r in front of a sheet of charge of surface charge density σ and (ii) for points a short distance above the surface of a charged conductor of surface charge density σ . | 10 |
| c) | What is an electric dipole? Discuss what happens when an electric dipole is placed in turn in a dc electric field E , and an ac electric field $E = E_0 \sin \omega t$ ($\omega = 2\pi f$). An electric dipole consists of two opposite charges of magnitude $q = 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ coulomb separated by $d = 2.0$ cm. The dipole is placed in an external field $E = 1.0 \times 10^5$ nt/coul. Calculate the maximum torque exerted by the field on the dipole. | 8 8 |
| 3. a) | Discuss Ether hypothesis. What is the nature of Ether medium according to this hypothesis? Why was this hypothesis proven to be wrong? | 7 |
| b) | Describe Michelson-Morley experiment. How did Michelson and Morley convincingly prove that the speed of Light in free space has the constant value $c = 3.0 \times 10^8$ m/s, and that there is no preferred universal frame of reference? | 10 |
| c) | A spacecraft which is 5.0 m in length is travelling out of earth at a speed of $0.85c$ towards a planet far away. What will be the length of the spacecraft measured by an observer on earth? | 8 |
| 4. a) | Discuss the particle properties of wave. Describe how an electron is regarded as a particle and also a wave. | 7 |
| b) | Discuss photo-electric effect. Draw a neat circuit diagram to explain the working of a photo-electric device. What are the experimental observations of this device and how do they support the quantum nature of light? Draw photoelectron current vs retarding potential (frequency = constant) curve, and photoelectron vs retarding potential (Light intensity = constant) curves. | 10 10 |
| c) | The threshold frequency for photo-electric emission in copper is $1.1 \times 10^{15} \text{ sec}^{-1}$. Find the maximum energy of the photoelectrons (in joules and in electron volts) when light of frequency $1.5 \times 10^{15} \text{ sec}^{-1}$ is directed on a copper surface. | 8 |