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FIRST SEMESTER
MID SEMESTER EXAMINATION

AP-103 APPLIED PHYSICS - I

Time: 1 Hour 30 Minute

Note: Answer ALL questions.

Assume suitable missing data, if any

- 1(a) Show that if V_0 is the rest volume of a cube of side l_0 , then $V_0(1-\beta^2)^{1/2}$ is the volume viewed from a reference frame moving with uniform velocity v in a direction parallel to an edge of the cube.
- (b) Show by direct application of Lorentz transformation that $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 c^2 t^2$ is invariant.
- 2(a) Let us consider two twins A and B, each 20 years of age. Twin A remains at rest at the origin (say at O) and twin B takes a round trip space voyage to a star with velocity v = 0.99c relative to A. The star is 10 light years away from O. Determine the age of A and B as B finishes his journey.
- (b)) Show that the relativistic form of Newton's second law, when F is parallel to v, is $F = m_0 \frac{dv}{dt} (1 \frac{v^2}{c^2})^{-3/2}$
- 3(a) Calculate the resultant line-width, band width and coherence length assuming that we chop a continuous perfectly monochromatic beam of wavelength 6328 Å in 10⁻¹⁰ seconds using sort of shutter.
- (b) A parallel beam of light strikes an oil film (μ = 1.4), floating on a surface of water (μ = 1.33). When viewed at an angle of 30° from the normal 6th dark fringe is seen. Find the thickness of the film. (Given wavelength of light = 589 nm).

