

Part A: Introduction			
Program: Diploma		Class: B.Sc.	Semester: Third Session: 2023-2024
1	Course Code	PSC - 03T	
2	Course Title	THERMAL PHYSICS AND BASIC STATISTICAL MECHANICS	
3	Course Type	Theory	
4	Pre-requisite (if any)	As per norms	
5	Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)	<p>After completion of the course students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the relations between heat energy, work, temperature, and energy. Understand how the thermal energy in a system change and perform useful work on its surroundings. Understand the interrelationship between thermodynamic functions and ability to use such relationships to solve practical problems. Get the understanding about black body radiation. Get the introductory knowledge of statistical mechanics Solve numerical problems based on entire syllabus 	
6	Credit Value	Theory : 3	
7	Total Marks	Max. Marks: 100	Min Passing Marks : 40

Part B: Content of the Course		
Total Hours: 45		
Unit	Topic	Number of Hours
I	<p>Laws of Thermodynamics: Zeroth Law of thermodynamics and temperature. First law and internal energy, conversion of heat into work, various Thermodynamical Processes.</p> <p>Second law of thermodynamics & Entropy, Carnot's cycle, Carnot's theorem, Entropy changes in reversible & irreversible processes, Entropy-temperature diagrams, Third law of thermodynamics.</p> <p>Thermodynamic, Potentials: Internal Energy, Enthalpy, Helmholtz Free Energy and Gibbs function. Maxwell's relations & applications, Clausius-Clapeyron Equation, Expression for $(C_p - C_v)$, C_p/C_v, Joule-Thompson effect, Cooling by adiabatic demagnetization</p>	12
II	<p>Kinetic Theory of Gases: Maxwellian distribution of speeds in an ideal gas: distribution of speeds and velocities, experimental verification, distinction between mean, rms and most probable speed values, Molecular Collision and Mean Free Path, Transport Phenomena in gases: Viscosity, Conduction and Diffusion, Law of equipartition of energy.</p>	11
III	<p>Theory of Radiation: Blackbody radiation, Spectral distribution, Concept of Energy Density, Stefan-Boltzmann Law, Wien's displacement law and Rayleigh-Jeans Law (Only qualitative). Planck's radiation Law, Deduction of Wien's distribution law and Rayleigh-Jeans Law from Planck's law. Experimental verification of Planck's radiation law.</p>	11

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IV	<p>Statistical Mechanics: Introductory Idea, Phase-space, Macro-state and Microstate, Entropy and Thermodynamic probability, fundamental postulates of statistical mechanics. Boltzmann's Canonical Distribution Law. Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution law, Quantum statistics-Fermi-Dirac distribution law and its application for Fermi Levels and Fermi Energy, Bose-Einstein distribution law and its application for Liquid Helium, comparison of three statistics.</p>	11
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