

PG CBCS

M.Sc. Semester-III Examination, 2019

Physics

Paper Code: PHS-303

Special Paper – Cosmology and Astrophysics

Full Marks : 40

Time: 2 Hours

Use Separate scripts for Group A & Group B

Group A

(Electronics: Cosmology)

1. Attempt any two of the following (2 × 2 = 4)

- What are free and dummy indices of a tensor?
- Define co-variant and contra-variant tensors.
- Define symmetric and skew-symmetric tensors.
- State the quotient law related to the rank of a tensor.

2. Attempt any two of the following (4 × 2 = 8)

- Prove that if A^i and B_i are a contra-variant and co-variant vector respectively, then the sum $A^i B_i$ is an invariant. (4)
- If the relation $b_j^i v_i = 0$ holds for an arbitrary co-variant vector v_i , show that $b_j^i = 0$ (4)
- Discuss the Bianchi Identities. (4)
- Discuss the inconsistency of Newtonian gravity with special theory of relativity. (4)

3. Attempt any one of the following (8 × 1 = 8)

- For highly relativistic particles, moving at random in V, show that

$$T_{(m)}^{ik} = \text{diag} \left(\varepsilon, \frac{1}{3} \varepsilon, \frac{1}{3} \varepsilon, \frac{1}{3} \varepsilon \right)$$

Symbols have their usual meaning. (8)

- For a fluid which consist of a collection of particles with small non-relativistic random motion, determine the expression of $T_{(m)}^{ik}$, where symbols have their usual significance. (8)

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Group B

(Electronics: Astrophysics)

4. Attempt any two of the following:

(2 × 2 = 4)

- a) What is largest and smallest planet of solar system?
- b) What is spectral class of Sun?
- c) What is the name of our own galaxy? What is approximate size of it?
- d) What is de Vaucouleurs Law?

5. Attempt any two of the following:

(4 × 2 = 8)

- a) Explain how one can measure distance of a nearby star using method of parallax. (4)
- b) Define absolute magnitude. Vega has parallax $p = 0.129$ arcsec and apparent magnitude of 0.03. Find its absolute magnitude. (2+2)
- c) Discuss Saha's ionisation equation. (4)
- d) Discuss the galaxy classification system proposed by Hubble. (4)

6. Attempt any one of the following

(8 × 1 = 8)

- a) What is Hertzsprung-Russell (HR) diagram? Draw the location of main-sequence stars, super-giants and white dwarfs in HR diagram. Draw the location of Sun in HR diagram. (3 + 3 + 2)
- b) Discuss formation and evolution of solar system. (8)
