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MPYC-205

2nd Semester Regular / Back Examination: 2016-17

Nuclear and Particle Physics

Branch: M.Sc.(AP)

Time: 3 Hours

Max marks: 70

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Answer question no. 1, which is compulsory, and any five from the rest.

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.

Q.1. Answer the following questions:

[2 x 10]

- a) What do you understand by elementary or fundamental particles?
- b) Why a proton does not decay into a positron and a photon?
- c) What are the fundamental differences between Baryons and Mesons?
- d) Write the types of nuclear reaction?
- e) What is nuclear fission? Give example.
- f) State any two limitations of shell model of nuclear structure.
- g) Define mass defect.
- h) What is Parity? What do you mean by even and odd parity?
- i) Write the properties of alpha decay.
- j) Define Q-value of reaction.

Q.2. (a) Show how the concept of binding energy is related to the stability of atomic nucleus. **[5]**

(b) Calculate the binding energy and binding energy per nucleon in the case of ${}_{29}\text{Cu}^{64}$ whose mass is 63.9297 amu. Given $m_p = 1.007825$ a.m.u. and $m_n = 1.008665$ a.m.u. **[5]**

Q.3. (a) Explain liquid drop model of nucleus. Point out its usefulness and limitation in understanding the nuclear phenomena. **[7]**

(b) Write the features of nuclear shell model. **[3]**

Q.4. (a) Describe conservation laws in nuclear reaction. **[4]**

(b) Explain Gamow theory of alpha decay. **[6]**

Q.5. (a) Derive Breit Winger formula for nuclear reactions. **[6]**

(b) Derive a relation between mean life and radioactive constant. **[4]**

- Q.6.** Describe the quark model of particle physics. Draw a diagram of lowest Baryon octet. Write its spin and parity. Label the particles with their charge (Q), isospin (I), third component of isospin (I_3), Strangeness (S), quark content and point the direction of increasing order of mass. **[10]**
- Q.7. (a)** What do you understand by elementary or fundamental particles? List all the fundamental particles with their charge and spin. **[5]**
- (b)** Describe the fundamental differences between leptons and mesons. **[5]**
- Q.8. Write short notes on any two:** **[5 X 2]**
- (a)** Quark Model
 - (b)** Gell-Mann-Nishijima Scheme
 - (c)** Beta decay
