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SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JUNE 2016

(CUCSS)

Physics

PHY 2C 07—STATISTICAL MECHANICS

(2012 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

Section A

Answer all questions.

Each question carries a weightage of 1.

- 1. Define micro canonical ensemble.
- 2. Explain degenerate state and statistical weight factor.
- 3. What is the difference between Bose particles and Fermi particles with respect to their spin and wave function?
- 4. Define density matrix.
- 5. Draw the phase diagram for a particle free to move in one dimension.
- 6. What is grand partition function?
- 7. What is the thermodynamic meaning of Fermi energy?
- 8. Explain Bose-Einstein condensation.
- 9. Explain Gibbs paradox.
- 10. Give the statistical definition of entropy.
- 11. What is the relation between fugacity and q potential?
- 12. Why the electrons in a metal do not contribute to its specific heat at room temperature?

 $(12 \times 1 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

Section B

Answer any **two** questions.

Each question carries a weightage of 6.

13. Derive Liouville's theorem and explain its consequences.

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- 14. Explain the quantum mechanical ensemble theory. Explain density matrix.
- 15. Describe the thermodynamic behaviour of an ideal Bose gas.
- 16. Explain Pauli paramagnetism and obtain the expression for susceptibility.

 $(2 \times 6 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

Section C

Answer any four questions.

Each question carries a weightage of 3.

- 17. Calculate the number of micro-states for four particles having a total energy of 6 E, the energy levels are equally spaced.
- 18. Atomic weight of Li is 6.94 and its density is $530~\rm kg/m^3$. Calculate the Fermi energy and Fermi temperature of electrons.
- 19. Show that when $g_1 >> n_1$ the B.E. distribution formula reduces to M.B. distribution.
- 20. Prove that the phase space area equivalent to one Eigen state of a linear harmonic oscillator is h.
- 21. Find the Fluctuation in the number of particles in a perfect gas obeying F.D. statistics.
- 22. A particle of unit mass is executing S.H.M. Find its trajectory in the phase space.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ weightage})$