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MONDAY, 18 JUNE — MORNING 9.30 to 12.30

Six questions to be answered.

Answer any **three** questions from **Section I** and any **three** from **Section II**.

All the questions carry equal marks.

However, in each Section, one additional mark will be given to each of the first two questions for which the highest marks are obtained.

SECTION I – PHYSICS (200 marks)

1. Answer *eleven* of the following items (a), (b), (c), etc. All the items carry the same marks. *Keep your answers short.*

- (a) What is meant by the *momentum* of a body?
- (b) What is the acceleration of a body when its velocity changes from 3 m s^{-1} to 9 m s^{-1} in 2 seconds?
- (c) State *Newton's law of gravitation*.
- (d) State *Boyle's law*.
- (e) Give one use of a convex (converging) lens.

(f) **Fig. 1** shows an object **O** in front of a concave mirror. Copy the diagram into your answer book and complete the ray diagram to show the image.

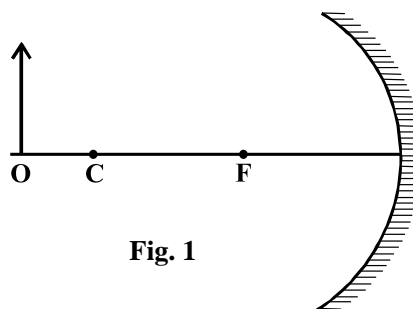


Fig. 1

- (g) Give one example of a *longitudinal wave*.
- (h) What is meant by *dispersion* of light?
- (i) When ultraviolet radiation falls on a clean zinc plate electrons are released from it. What is the name for this effect?
- (j) What is meant by *diffraction* of waves?
- (k) In the equation $E = hf$, what does f represent?
- (l) Copy and complete the statement: "In the atom the.....have a positive charge while the electrons have a.....charge."
- (m) What is the purpose of a fuse in an electric circuit?
- (n) What is the advantage of transmitting electricity at high voltages?
- (o) **Fig. 2** shows an electric current varying with time. What is this type of current called?

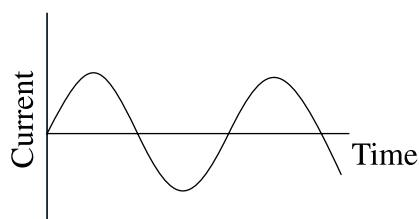


Fig. 2

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2. (a) State any two of *Newton's laws of motion*. (12)

Fig. 3 shows a block of wood being pulled along a smooth table by a force F .

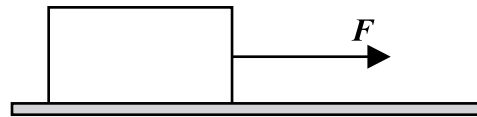


Fig. 3

The mass of the block is 8 kg.
The acceleration of the block is 2.5 m s^{-2} .
Calculate the force F . (9)

If the block starts from rest what distance does it travel in 5 seconds? (12)

- (b) Define *kinetic energy*.
State the *principle of conservation of energy*. (12)

The mass of a car is 1000 kg and it is travelling with a velocity of 20 m s^{-1} .
Calculate the kinetic energy of the car. (12)

The driver brakes and the car stops. What happens to the kinetic energy of the car? (9)

3. (a) Define (i) temperature, (ii) thermometric property. (12)

On which thermometric property is a mercury thermometer based? (3)

Outline an experiment to calibrate a mercury thermometer in the laboratory. (18)

- (b) Give three assumptions of the *kinetic theory of gases*. (9)

What is meant by Brownian motion? (6)

Outline a laboratory experiment to demonstrate Brownian motion. (18)

4. Explain the terms (i) refractive index, (ii) total internal reflection. (15)

Describe an experiment to measure the refractive index of a liquid. (24)

Fig. 4 shows a ray of light entering a block of glass. The refractive index of the glass is 1.5. What is the angle of refraction of the light in the glass? (15)

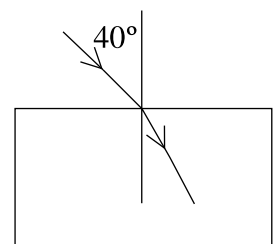


Fig. 4

Give two uses of total internal reflection. (12)

5. (a) What is an electric current? (6)

Describe simple laboratory experiments, one in each case, to show:

- (i) the heating effect of an electric current;
 (ii) that a current-carrying conductor in a magnetic field experiences a force. (24)

Name one device that works on the principle that a current-carrying conductor in a magnetic field experiences a force. (6)

- (b) State the *laws of electromagnetic induction*. (12)

Fig. 5 shows a galvanometer connected across the terminals of a solenoid. When a bar magnet is moved, north pole first, into the solenoid the galvanometer needle is deflected to the right as shown in the diagram.

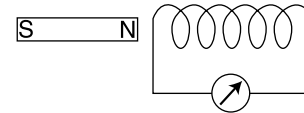


Fig. 5

When the bar magnet is moved out of the solenoid again what deflection occurs in the galvanometer? (6)

What deflection occurs in the galvanometer when the bar magnet is moved south pole first into the solenoid? (6)

Give one practical application of electromagnetic induction. (6)

6. Answer any **two** of the following parts (a), (b), (c) and (d). Each part carries 33 marks.

- (a) Define *capacitance*. (6)

Give two factors on which the capacitance of a parallel plate capacitor depends. (6)

Describe an experiment to show how the capacitance depends on one of these factors. (15)

Give one use of capacitors. (6)

- (b) What is meant by monochromatic light? (9)

Describe a laboratory experiment to measure the wavelength of monochromatic light. (24)

- (c) State *Ohm's law*. (6)

Define *potential difference*. (6)

Fig. 6 shows a circuit containing two resistors connected in parallel with each other. Calculate:

- (i) the effective resistance of the two resistors;
 (ii) the current flowing in the circuit. (21)

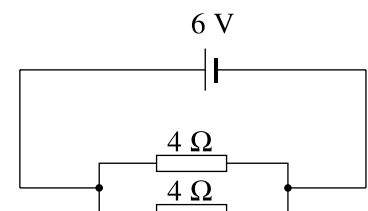


Fig. 6

- (d) What is meant by the terms (i) radioactivity, (ii) half-life? (12)

A radioactive isotope has a half-life of 3 hours. How much of a sample is left after 9 hours? (9)

State two dangers associated with radioactive materials and give two precautions you would take when handling such materials in the laboratory. (12)

SECTION II – CHEMISTRY (200 marks)

7. Answer *eleven* of the following items (a), (b), (c), etc. All the items carry the same marks. *Keep your answers short.*

- (a) What element is represented by the electronic configuration $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$?
- (b) What is meant by an *atomic orbital*?
- (c) Give one example of a *molecular crystal*.
- (d) Sketch the shape of the NH_3 molecule.
- (e) Give one characteristic property of transition elements.
- (f) What is an *endothermic* reaction?
- (g) Which one of the following oxides is amphoteric?



- (h) Calculate the percentage by mass of **Ca** in calcium carbonate, $CaCO_3$.

[C = 12; O = 16; Ca = 40.]

- (i) Write down the functional group in alcohols.
- (j) Copy, complete and balance the following equation:



- (k) Calculate the **pH** of a **0.01 M** solution of hydrochloric acid.
- (l) Name two chemicals which may be used to prepare carbon dioxide in the laboratory.
- (m) Give one everyday use for ethanoic (acetic) acid.
- (n) What is the chemical formula of benzene?
- (o) The relative molecular mass of oxygen (O_2) is 32. Calculate the number of molecules in 8 g of oxygen.

[Avogadro constant = $6.0 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$.] (11 × 6)

8. (a) What is meant by (i) ionic bond, (ii) electronegativity? (12)

Using electronegativity values, show that magnesium oxide (MgO) is an ionic compound. (12)
(See Mathematics Tables, p. 44.)

Give the name and formula of another ionic compound. (6)

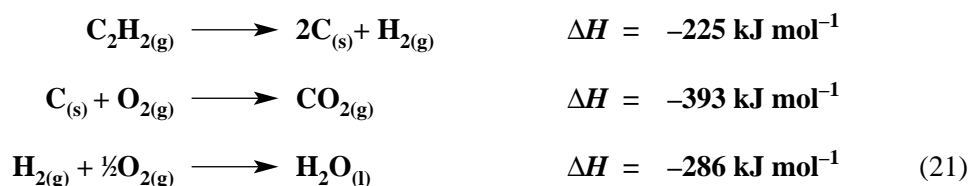
Give one property of ionic compounds. (6)

- (b) Explain the terms (i) mass number, (ii) isotope. (12)

$^{12}_6C$ and $^{14}_6C$ are both isotopes of carbon. State the number of electrons, protons and neutrons in an atom of each of these isotopes. (18)

9. (a) State Hess's law. Define the heat of combustion of a substance. (12)

Using the equation $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2(\text{g}) + 2\frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \longrightarrow 2\text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$, calculate the heat of combustion of ethyne (acetylene), C_2H_2 , from the following data:



- (b) Explain each of the following in terms of electron transfer:

- (i) oxidation;
(ii) reduction. (18)

Identify the substance oxidised and the substance reduced in the following equation:



What is the oxidising agent in this reaction? (3)

10. What is meant by (i) standard solution, (ii) neutralisation? (18)

- (i) Describe how you would carry out a titration of hydrochloric acid with sodium hydroxide. Give two precautions you would take to ensure an accurate result. (21)
- (ii) Name a suitable indicator you would use in this titration and state the colour change at the end-point. (12)
- (iii) The equation for the chemical reaction that takes place in this titration is:



In a titration, 22.5 cm³ of 0.1 M sodium hydroxide (NaOH) were required to neutralise 25.0 cm³ of hydrochloric acid (HCl).

Calculate the molarity of the hydrochloric acid solution. (15)

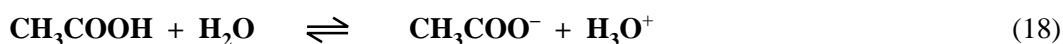
11. (a) What is meant by (i) a saturated hydrocarbon, (ii) a homologous series? (12)

Give the names and the structural formulas for CH_4 and C_3H_8 . (12)

Name the homologous series to which these compounds belong. (6)

- (b) Define (i) acid, (ii) base, (iii) conjugate acid-base pair, in terms of the Bronsted-Lowry theory. (18)

Identify an acid, a base and a conjugate acid-base pair in the following reaction:



12. Answer any **two** of the following parts (a), (b) and (c). Each part carries 33 marks.

- (a) What is meant by a *mole* of a substance? (6)

Carbon burns in air, forming carbon dioxide according to the equation:



If 3.0 g of carbon are burned in an excess of oxygen, calculate:

- (i) the number of moles of CO_2 produced; (9)
(ii) the mass of CO_2 produced; (9)
(iii) the volume of CO_2 produced at STP. (9)

[C = 12; O = 16; molar volume at STP = 22.4 litres (dm^3).]

- (b) The apparatus shown in **Fig. 7** may be used in the electrolysis of acidified water.

- (i) Why is the water acidified? (6)
(ii) Name a material which may be used for the electrodes **X** and **Y**. (6)
(iii) Name the gas liberated at the negative electrode, **X**, and the gas liberated at the positive electrode, **Y**, when an electric current flows through the acidified water. (12)
(iv) How would you identify one of the gases produced? (9)

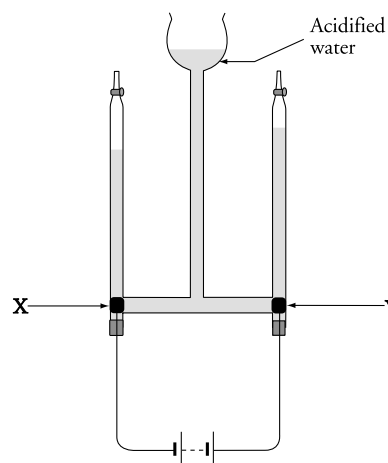


Fig. 7

- (c) What is the *electrochemical series*? (6)

The following list shows three elements in their order in the electrochemical series:

potassium magnesium copper

- (i) Explain why these elements are in this order, taking into account their reaction (if any) with water. (12)
(ii) Describe what happens when a piece of magnesium metal is dipped into a solution of copper(II) ions. (6)
(iii) Copy and complete the following equation:



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