

YMCA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, FARIDABAD
M.SC (PHYSICS) SEM-II EXAMINATION
NUCLEAR AND PARTICLE PHYSICS (PH- 506) (Reappear)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks:60

- Note:
1. It is compulsory to answer the questions of Part -A. Limit your answers within 20-40 words in this part.
 2. Answer any four questions from Part -B in detail.
 3. Different parts of the same question are to be attempted adjacent to each other.

PART -A

- Q1 (a) Define nuclear cross section. What is the unit of nuclear cross section? (2)
- (b) Explain the Geiger Nuttal law of α -decay. (2)
- (c) What do understand by internal conversion? (2)
- (d) Define Straggling and Range. (2)
- (e) Explain the three modes of β -Decay. (2)
- (f) Give one example each of Photo disintegration and Radiative capture. (2)
- (g) Explain neutrino hypothesis. (2)
- (h) Give two examples of (α ,p) reactions. (2)
- (i) Why is beta ray spectrum continuous? (2)
- (j) How can you measure the energy of α -rays? (2)

PART - B

- Q2 (a) What happens when an Alpha particle moves through matter? Hence derive the expression for its stopping power. (5)
- (b) Explain any one method of interaction of Gamma Rays with matter. (5)
- Q3 (a) Describe the construction and working of a Cerenkov detector. (5)
- (b) Derive an expression for the Q - value of nuclear reaction. Also state the significance of +ve and -ve Q-value. (5)
- Q4 (a) A proton whose path has a radius of curvature of 250cm in a magnetic field of 1 Tesla traverses a lead plate whose thickness is 40gm/cm² along the path of the proton. What should be the radius of curvature after it emerges from the plate? (5)
- (b) Explain in detail the compound nucleus theory. (5)
- Q5 (a) Explain the α -decay paradox. Discuss the quantum mechanical theory of α -decay and obtain a relation for barrier penetrability. (5)
- (b) Why is Deuteron a loosely bound structure? Explain. (5)
- Q6 (a) In an absorption experiment with 1.14 MeV Gamma radiation from ⁶⁵Zn, it is found that 25 cm of Al reduces the beam intensity to 2%. Calculate the half value thickness. (5)
- (b) Define continuum. Hence explain the continuum theory of nuclear reaction. (5)
- Q7 Write short notes on: (5)
- (a) Briet-Wigner dispersion formula (5)
- (b) n-p scattering