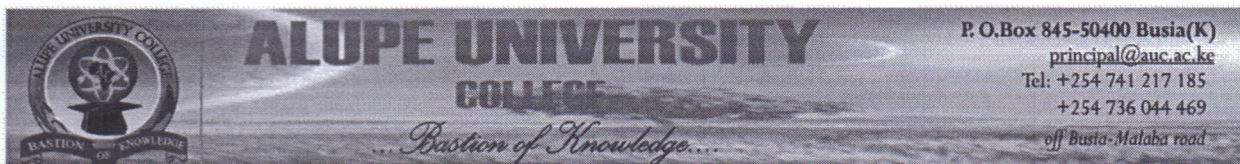


PHY 111



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## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

### 2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER REGULAR EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN  
COMPUTER SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: PHY 111  
COURSE TITLE: BASIC PHYSICS II

DATE: 20/07/2021 TIME: 0800 – 1100 HRS

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### INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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## PHY 111: BASIC PHYSICS II

STREAM: BSC (COM)

DURATION: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

i. Answer question **ONE** and **TWO** in SECTION A and **ANY OTHER THREE** questions in SECTION B.

ii. You may use the following constants:

Electronic charge  $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{C}$ ,

Permeability of free space  $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{N/A}^2$

Unified atomic mass unit  $1u = 1.6606 \times 10^{-27} \text{kg} = 931 \text{MeV}$ ,

Mass of a proton  $M_p = 1.007267u$ ,

Mass of a neutron  $M_n = 1.008665u$ ,

Becquerel  $1\text{Bq} = 1 \text{decay/Sec}$ ,

Curie  $1\text{Ci} = 3.70 \times 10^{10} \text{Bq} = 3.70 \times 10^{10} \text{decay/Sec}$ ,

Rydberg constant  $R = 1.097 \times 10^7 \text{m}^{-1}$ ,

Speed of light  $c = 3.0 \times 10^8 \text{m/s}$ .

Plank's constant  $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{m}^2 \text{Kg/s}$

SECTION A (24 MARKS)**Question One (12 Marks)**

- (a) (i) State Coulomb's law (1 Mark)
- (ii) A point charges of  $+3.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{C}$  is  $12.0 \text{ cm}$  distance from a second point charge of  $-1.50 \times 10^{-6} \text{C}$ . Calculate the magnitude of the force on each charge. (3 Marks)
- (b) Explain the significance of Young's double slit experiment (2 marks)
- (c) State any TWO of Bohr's postulates within the Bohr's model of the hydrogen atom (2 Marks)
- (d) State the laws of reflection (2 Marks)
- (e) Using Bragg's condition, calculate the electron wavelength of the third order diffraction of x-rays with a peak at  $50^\circ$  and atomic spacing of  $2.15 \text{ \AA}$ . (2Marks)

**Question Two (12 Marks)**

- (a) What is half life? (1 Marks)

- (b) State Ohms law (1 Mark)
- (c) A body undergoes blackbody radiation at a temperature of  $2000K$  determine the maximum possible wavelength of the radiation given that Wien's displacement constant is  $2.89 \times 10^{-3}m.K$  (2 Marks)
- (d) An x-ray tube operated at d.c potential difference of  $40kV$  produces heat at the target at the rate of  $720W$ . Assuming 0.5% of the energy of the incident electrons is converted into x-rays, calculate the number of electrons per second striking the target. (3 Marks)
- (e) In a Compton scattering experiment, it was found that the fractional change in wavelength is 1.0% when the scattering angle is  $30^\circ$ . Determine the wavelength of the incident photon. (3 Marks)
- (f) State any TWO limitations of the Rutherford model of the atom. (2 Marks)

**SECTION B (36 MARKS)**

Attempt any **THREE** questions in this section.

**Question Three (12 Marks)**

- (a) With the aid of a schematic set-up of a cathode ray oscilloscope, discuss its working principle. (6 Marks)
- (b) Give any three uses of cathode ray oscilloscope. (3 Marks)
- (c) Differentiate between hard and soft ferromagnetic materials. Give one example for each (3 Marks)

**Question Four (12 Marks)**

- (a) With aid of a diagram describe how X-ray can be produced (4 Marks)
- (b) Find the shortest wavelength present in the radiation from an x-ray machine whose accelerating potential is  $50,000V$ , and its corresponding frequency (4 Marks)
- (c) State any **FOUR** properties of X-rays. (4 Marks)

**Question Five (12 Marks)**

- (a) Explain the difference between nuclear fission and nuclear fusion (2 Marks)



- (b) Define the term radioactivity (2 Mark)
- (c) By denoting the number of nuclides in a radioactive decay process at time  $t_0 = 0$  by  $N_0$  and the number of nuclides at the present time  $t$  by  $N'$  derive the expression connecting  $N$  and  $N_0$ . (4 Marks)
- (d) Determine the number of years it takes for 60 % of a given mass of a radio-isotope whose half-life is 6 years to decay. (4 Marks)

**Question Six (12 Marks)**

- (a) With aid of a diagram describe the hysteresis loop through a magnetization cycle. (5 Marks)
- (b) Consider capacitors  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  arranged in parallel as shown in Fig. 1. The applied p.d  $V$  is the same across each but the charges are different. Compute the effective capacitance for the network in the Figure. (3 Marks)

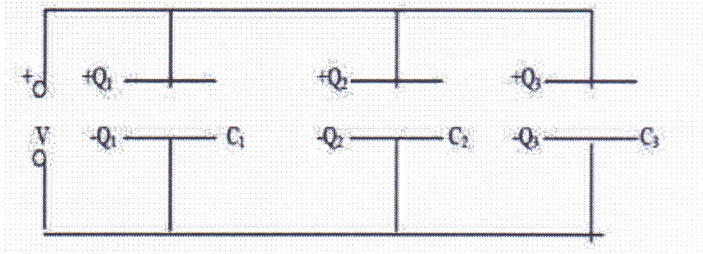


Fig. 1: capacitors in parallel

- (c) (i) What is wave rectification? (1 Mark)
- (ii) With aid of a diagram describe Half-wave rectification (3 Marks)

**Question Seven (12 Marks)**

- (a) State the three types of radiations (3 Marks)
- (b) State any three uses of X-rays (3 Marks)
- (c) Describe the two main defects of Lenses, and state how each can be corrected. (6 Marks)

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