

SECOND SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2010

(CCSS Programme)

Physics—Core Course

PH 2B 03—PROPERTIES OF MATTER WAVES AND ACOUSTICS

Three Hours

Maximum weightage : 30

Section I (Objective Type Questions)

Answer all questions (¼ weightage each)

- The apparatus used to find the rigidity modulus of the material of a wire is _____.
- When the amplitude of a particle executing SHM increases, the time period _____.
- The velocity of longitudinal waves in a rod depends upon _____ of the material besides its density.
- The loudness of sound is related to _____ of the sound wave.
- Poisson's ratio for steel if its Young's modulus is $2 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$ and rigidity modulus is $8 \times 10^{10} \text{ N/m}^2$ is :
(a) 0.25 (b) 0.15 (c) 0.35 (d) 0.1.
- The motion of a particle executing simple harmonic motion is given by $x = 0.01 \sin[100 \pi(t + 0.005)]$ where x is in m and t in s . The time period is :
(a) 0.01s (b) 0.02 s (c) 0.1 s (d) 0.2 s.
- The potential energy of a particle executing simple harmonic motion is :
(a) $\frac{1}{2} kx^2$ (b) kx (c) $\frac{1}{3} kx^2$ (d) $\frac{1}{4} kx^2$
- When you speak to your friend, which of the following parameters have a unique value in the sound produced ?
(a) Frequency (b) Wavelength (c) Amplitude (d) Wave velocity.
- Give *one* example for a damped harmonic oscillator.
- Write the expression for the quality factor.
- Write the limiting values of Poisson's ratio.
- Write the relation between wave velocity and group velocity of a wave.

Section II (Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer all questions (1 weightage each)

- Define Bending Moment.
- Why girders are of I-section form ?

Turn over

15. When a beam is symmetrically placed on two knife edges and is bent by loading at the midpoint why the bending is called non-uniform bending ?
16. What are forced harmonic oscillations ?
17. Define Quality Factor and Damped Harmonic Oscillator.
18. Draw graphs showing the variation of amplitude of forced harmonic oscillator with displacement when damping is high and low.
19. Define Pitch and Loudness of sound.
20. What are Ultrasonic waves ?
21. State Fourier theorem.

Section III (Short Essay/Paragraph Questions)

Answer any five questions (2 weightage each)

22. Find the expression for the twisting couple of a wire.
23. Find the stress to be applied to a steel wire to stretch it by 0.25% of its original length. Young's modulus for steel is 90 GPa.
24. Derive the expression for average power dissipation for a damped harmonic oscillator.
25. Calculate the displacement of a body executing simple harmonic motion, in terms of its amplitude at which the kinetic energy = 3 × potential energy.
26. Prove that the variation of pressure in the case of a longitudinal progressive wave travelling through a gas is given by $P = -E \frac{dy}{dx}$, where E is the bulk modulus and $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is the volume strain.
27. Discuss the modes of transverse vibration of a string.
28. If the intensity of sound wave is increased by a factor of 20, by how many decibels is the sound level increased ?

Section IV (Essay Questions)

Answer any two questions (4 weightage each)

29. What are torsional oscillations ? Explain the experimental determination of the rigidity modulus of a wire using torsion pendulum.
30. Deduce the differential equation for a damped harmonic oscillator and discuss in detail the cases of critical damping and underdamping.
31. Derive the expression for a plane progressive harmonic wave. Derive the expressions for energy density and energy current for such a wave.