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LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034

B.Sc.DEGREE EXAMINATION – **PHYSICS**

FIFTH SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2018

16UPH5MC02- THERMAL PHYSICS

PART - A

Date: 27-10-2018 Time: 09:00-12:00 Dept. No.

Max.: 100 Marks

 $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ MARKS})$

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS:

- 1. Give Maxwell-Boltzmann energy distribution function for an ideal gas.
- 2. At what temperature will the mean speed of hydrogen molecules be the same as that of Nitrogen molecules at 35° C? Molecular weight of N₂ = 28 and that of H₂ = 2.
- 3. What do you mean by quasi-static process? Can it be achieved in practice?
- 4. Distinguish between open and closed systems.
- 5. Write down the limitations of the first law of thermodynamics.
- 6. State Kelvin-Planck statement of second law of thermodynamics.
- 7. Calculate the change in entropy when 10 gram of ice at 0^{0} C is converted into water at the same temperature. (Given: Latent heat of ice = 3.34×10^{5} J-kg⁻¹)
- 8. Are we heading towards the Heat death of the universe? Justify your answer.
- 9. Define Helmholtz free energy.
- 10. What is meant by phase equilibrium?

PART - B

ANSWER ANY **FOUR** QUESTIONS:

- 11. Give the interpretation of temperature on the basis of kinetic theory of gases and interpret absolute zero temperature.
- 12. State and explain zeroth law of thermodynamics. What is its importance? On the basis of this law, introduce the concept of temperature.
- 13. Explain different forms of internal energy and show that the internal energy of a system is a function of state of the system.



 $(4 \times 7.5 = 30 \text{ MARKS})$

14. A certain mass of gas at NTP is expanded to three times its volume under adiabatic conditions. Calculate the resulting temperature and pressure. γ for the gas is 1.40.

15. Prove Clausius inequality.

16. Write short notes on thermodynamic mnemonic diagram with suitable illustration.

PART - C

ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS:

 $(4 \times 12.5 = 50 \text{ MARKS})$

- 17. State the basic postulates of kinetic theory of gases. Derive an expression for the pressure exerted by a gas enclosed in a vessel.
- 18. Derive and discuss the Van der Waals equation of state of a gas.
- 19. Describe Carnot's cycle and obtain an expression for the efficiency of an ideal heat engine working between two temperatures T₁ and T₂.
- 20. Calculate the change in entropy of a system which undergoes (a) a reversible process (b) an irreversible process?

(c)calculate the change in entropy when 10 gm of water is converted into steam at the same temperature. Given latent heat of steam $2.26 \times 10^6 \text{ J-kg}^{-1}$

- 21. Deduce any four Maxwell's thermodynamical relations.
- 22. What do you mean by first order phase transition? Prove that $\left(\frac{dP}{dT}\right) = \frac{S_2 S_1}{V_2 V_1}$ where the terms have their usual meaning.
