LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034

B.Sc.DEGREE EXAMINATION – **PHYSICS**

SIXTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2019

PH 6611- ATOMICS AND NUCLEAR PHYSICS

Date: 03-04-2019 Time: 09:00-12:00

Answer ALL questions:

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Max.: 100 Marks

PART – A

(10x2=20 marks)

(5+7.5)

- 1. Write down the postulates of Bohr's atom model.
- 2. State Pauli's exclusion principle.
- 3. What is meant by spin-orbit coupling?
- 4. What is anomalous Zeeman effect?
- 5. Define mass defect and packing fraction.
- 6. Calculate the binding energy of a deuteron. Given: Mass of $_1H^1=1.008145$ amu, mass of $_0n^1=1.008987$ and mass of ${}_{1}H^{2}=2.014741$ amu.
- 7. Why neutrons are moderated in nuclear reactors?
- 8. Explain the terms, 'critical and supercritical' in nuclear reactors.
- 9. What are cosmic rays?
- 10. Explain dark matter with examples.

PART – B

Answer any FOUR questions:	(4X7.5=30 marks)
11. Explain i) L-S coupling and ii) j-j coupling schemes.	(4+3.5)
12. Discuss the pure vibrational spectra of a diatomic molecule.	
13. Explain the concepts of line and continuous spectrum of decay.	(4+3.5)
14. Brief the methods of detection of slow and fast neutrons.	(4+3.5)
15. a)State the conservation laws in elementary particles.	
b) Explain the conservation of baryon and lepton numbers.	(3.5+4)
16. Give an account of any three sources of neutrons.	

PART – C

Answer any FOUR questions: (4X12.5=50 marks)

17. Explain the principle and experimental arrangement of Stern-Gerlach in support of

spatial quantisation.

18. Derive an expression for Lande's 'g' factor and explain the sodium doublet lines D_1 and D_2 .

19. Discuss in detail Gamow's theory of -decay.

20. Explain the construction and working of a nuclear reactor.

21. Discuss the variation of cosmic ray intensity with i) altitude, ii) latitude and iii) east-west direction.

22. Discuss about (i) particles and antiparticles and (ii) fundamental interactions between

elementary particles. (6+6.5)

