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BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2024 2021 ADMISSIONS REGULAR SEMESTER VI - CORE COURSE (PHYSICS)

PH6B09B18 - Thermal and Statistical Physics

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 60

Part A

I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 1 mark

(10x1=10)

- 1. What are critical constants? Explain briefly.
- 2. What is an indicator diagram? Explain its importance.
- 3. Give Kelvin's and Clausius statements for the second law of thermodynamics.
- 4. Distinguish between open system and closed system.
- 5. What is T-S diagram? Explain its importance.
- 6. What is meant by enthalpy?
- 7. Explain Gibb's free energy.
- 8. Explain the term intrinsic energy of a system.
- 9. Distinguish between μ space and gamma space.
- 10. State and explain the principle of equal a priori probability.
- 11. What is the total number of microstates possible for a system containing N particles distributed in two compartments?
- 12. Explain the concept of cells in phase space. What is the volume of a cell in six dimensional phase space?

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks

(6x5=30)

- 13. Explain the behavior of gases at high pressure.
- 14. Determine the efficiency of a Carnot's engine working between steam point and ice point.
- 15. A Carnot's engine has same efficiency between 1000K and 500K and between xK and 1000K (temperature of the sink). Calculate x .
- 16. Describe how has the idea of a black body been achieved in practice?
- 17. Discuss the Kirchoff's law of heat radiation.
- 18. One mole of oxygen gas expands isothermally to four times its initial volume. Calculate the increase in entropy.
- 19. Write a short note on Gibb's paradox
- 20. What is an electron gas? Starting from Fermi Dirac distribution law, derive an expression for the energy distribution of free electrons in a metal.
- 21. Calculate the probability that in tossing a coin 10 times, one gets a) 5 heads and 5 tails b) 7 heads and 3 tails.

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 10 marks

(2x10=20)

22. Describe Andrew's experiments on carbon dioxide. Discuss the results obtained. What is the importance of these results in the liquefaction of gases?



- 23. Explain the working of a Carnot's engine with the help of an indicator diagram. Arrive at an expression for the work done in a cycle.
- 24. Describe Maxwell's thermodynamic relations using thermodynamic variables.

25. What is Bose – Einstein statistics? Derive an expression for the most probable distribution of a system obeying this statistics.