

B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2018
II Year III Semester
Core Major - Paper V
MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS AND STATISTICAL MECHANICS

Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks :60

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3. Define beta function.
4. Evaluate $\Gamma^{-1/2}$.
5. Prove that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2-2x}}$.
6. Find the value of $H_1(x)$ in terms of x .
7. What is the phase point?
8. What is an ensemble?
9. What do you mean by Fermi energy and Fermi temperature?
10. What are Bosons?
11. How does probability depend upon the number of microstates?
12. What is characteristic equation?

Section B ($5 \times 4 = 20$) Marks

Answer any **FIVE** questions

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14. Evaluate beta function.
15. Derive an expression for the generating function for Laguerre's polynomial.
16. Give the postulates of statistical mechanics.
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18. Show that $\int_0^1 [35x^2 / (32\sqrt{1-x})] dx = 1$ using gamma function.
19. Prove that $J_{-n}(x) = (-1)^n J_n(x)$ where n is a positive integer.

Section C ($3 \times 10 = 30$) MarksAnswer any **THREE** questions

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