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2nd sem M Tech end sem Examination- May 2016
Relativity and Astro Physics- PHY 510 (open elective)



Time : 3 hours

Max. Marks : 50

Answer any **FIVE** full questions

1. A) Deduce Lorentz velocity transformation equations $S' \rightarrow S$, and hence prove that-
 - i) for small speeds the transformation reduces to Galilean transformation equation and
 - ii) Velocity of light is same for both the observers. **5 marks**

B) Obtain an expression for the relativistic kinetic energy of the particle. Show that it reduces to classical expression for low speeds. **5 marks**
2. A) An Astronaut takes a trip to Sirius, which is at a distance of 8 ly from the earth. The astronaut measures the time of the one way journey to be 6 years. If the space ship moves at a constant speed of $0.8c$, how can the 8 ly distance be reconciled with the 6 year trip time measured by the astronaut? What is the time interval observed by the ground based observer? **5 marks**

B) Write a note on tensors. **5 marks**
3. A) Describe Ötvo's experiment and explain the experimental outcome. **5 marks**

B) Deduce an expression for Schwarzschild line element and hence arrive at its solution. **5 marks**
4. A) Estimate the precession of Planet Mercury's orbit. **6 marks**

B) Write a note on HR diagram. **4 marks**
5. Give a brief account of post main sequence stellar evolution. **10 marks**
6. A) Write a note on bolometric magnitude and color index of a star. **5 marks**

B) What is a geodesic? Deduce an equation for the same. **5 marks**
