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END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, APRIL 2018**

**Subject: Nuclear and Particle Physics [code: PHY 4208]
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Time: 3 Hours

Date:

MAX. MARKS: 50

Note: (i) Answer **ALL** questions

(ii) Draw diagrams, and write equations wherever necessary

- 1A. How to estimate nuclear size using mirror nuclei method. [5] CO1 k
- 1B. Obtain momentum distribution function for beta decay and hence sketch beta ray spectra. [5] CO1
- 2A. What is "Stopping Time"? Obtain an expression for stopping time for a charged particle in a traversing medium. [5] CO2
- 2B. What is an ideal scintillator? Explain working principle of inorganic scintillation radiation detector? [5] CO2
- 3A. Draw low lying energy levels in a single particle shell model showing spin-orbit interaction and magic numbers. [3] CO3
- 3B. How does neutron absorption cross section provide evidence for shell structure? [2] CO3
- 3C. For Fe ($Z=26$, $A=57$), compute total binding energy and coulomb energy using semi empirical mass formula. [5] CO3

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$$B(A, Z) = a_v A - a_s A^{2/3} - a_c \frac{Z(Z-1)}{A^{1/3}} - a_{\text{sym}} \frac{(A-2Z)^2}{A} + \delta \begin{cases} a_p A^{-3/4} & \text{even-even} \\ 0 & \text{even-odd/odd-even} \\ -a_p A^{-3/4} & \text{odd-odd} \end{cases}$$

$$a_v = 15.5 \text{ MeV}$$

$$a_s = 16.8 \text{ MeV}$$

$$a_c = 0.72 \text{ MeV}$$

$$a_{\text{sym}} = 23 \text{ MeV}$$

$$a_p = 34 \text{ MeV}$$

4A. Obtain a relation between angles and nuclear reaction cross section in lab and center of mass system. [3] 202

4B. What is saturation property of nuclear force? Explain. [2] 202

4C. Calculate the energy of protons detected at 90° when 2.1 MeV deuterons are incident on Al^{27} to produce Al^{28} with an energy difference $Q = 5.5 \text{ MeV}$. [5] 202

5A. Classify and explain fundamental forces of nature. [4] 204

5B. Write quark structure of neutron and proton. [2] 204

5C. Estimate the time required for a 5 MeV particle to slowdown and stop in Silicon. Given: [4] 02

Range is $22 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$.