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UG TRB - PHYSICS SYLLABUS

Unit - 1 Mechanics

Newton's laws - Impulse and impact - laws of impact - direct impact and oblique impact between two smooth spheres - loss of K.E - motion of two interacting bodies - reduced mass - centre of gravity - centre of gravity of a solid hemisphere - hollow hemisphere - tetrahedron and solid cone - friction - types of friction - angle of friction - equilibrium of rigid bodies - moment of inertia - angular momentum and kinetic energy of a revolving body - moment of inertia of sphere, shell and cylinder - parallel and perpendicular axes theorem - rolling - Kepler's laws of planetary motion - Newton's law of gravitation - determination of G by Boy's method - gravitational field and potential - variation of acceleration due to gravity on height, depth and altitude - orbital and escape velocities - earth and geostationary satellites - limitations of Newton's laws.

Unit - 2-Thermal Physics

Kinetic theory of gases - postulates - mean free path - ideal gas equation - degrees of freedom - Boltzmann's law of equipartition of energy - Maxwell's law of distribution of molecular speed - atomicity of gases - specific heat capacity of gases ratio of c_p and c_v - calculation for monoatomic and diatomic gases - Mayer's relation - experimental determination of c_p and c_v - Joule-Kelvin effect - theory and experiment - liquefaction of gases - hydrogen, oxygen, air, helium - thermal conductivity of solids - Forbe's and Lee's disc method - Stefan's law - determination of Stefan's constant - solar constant - temperature of the Sun - firstlaw of thermodynamics - isothermal, adiabatic, isochoric, isobaric, cyclic processes- Carnot's engine - Carnot's cycle - second law of thermodynamics - Carnot's theorem - entropy - reversible and irreversible process - Maxwell's thermodynamic relations and their applications - thirdlaw of thermodynamics.

Unit - 3 Properties of Matter and Acoustics

Moduli of elasticity - relations among three moduli of elasticity - bending moment - uniform and non-uniform bending - couple per unit twist - torsional oscillation - elastic constants and their determination - viscosity - determination of highly viscous liquid by Stokes' method - streamline and turbulent flow - Reynold's number - Poiseuille's flow - applications of viscosity - surface tension - capillary rise - method of drops - surfacetension of mercury - Quicnke's method.

Simple harmonic motion - combination of two SHMs in straight line and right angles - Lissajou's figures - free, damped, forced oscillations - laws of transverse vibrations - sonometer, and Melde's string - resonance - intensity and loudness of sound - beats- Doppler effect - velocity of sound in solids and gasses - ultrasonic - production, properties and applications - acoustics of auditoria.

Unit - 4 Electricity and Magnetism

Coulomb's law - permittivity - relative permittivity - electric field intensity - due to point charge - Guass' theorem and its applications - electric potential - relation between potential and intensity - electric dipole moment - potential and intensity due to dipole - capacitance - capacity of parallel plates, spherical and cylindrical capacitors - energy stored in a capacitor - electrometers - measurement of potential and dielectric constant - Ohm's law - resistivity and conductivity - Kirchhoff's laws for a loop and a junction - internal resistance of a cell and emf- thermoelectricity - Peltier, Thomson coefficients.

Biot-Savarts law – Ampere's law – magnetic field around current carrying conductors
magnetic force on charge and current elements – force between two current carrying
parallel conductors – Faraday's laws of electromagnetic induction – self and mutual
induction – induction coil and its uses – eddy currents – transformers – energy losses –
skin effect – advantages of ac over dc – dynamos and motors – magnetic poles – magnetic
moments – susceptibility and permeability – dia, para and ferro magnetism – hysteresis –
B-H curve – energy loss due to hysteresis.

Unit – 5 Atomic and Nuclear Physics

Bohr's atom model –hydrogen atom –spectra of hydrogen and hydrogen like atoms – Rydberg's
constant –special quantisation – Sommerfeld model –quantum numbers – vector atom
model – electronic structures –Pauli's exclusion principle –electronic configuration –
magnetic moment due to orbital motion and electron spin – Bohr magneton – Stern and
Gerlach experimental – fine structure of sodium d line – Zeeman effect –anomalous Zeeman
effect – theoretical explanation.

General properties of nuclei and nuclear models – nuclear size, charge and mass
determination – nuclear spin magnetic dipole moment – mass defect, binding energy and
packing fraction – nuclear forces – shell model – liquid drop model – fission, fusion and
nuclear reactions – induced radioactivity – artificial transmutation – application of radio
isotopes – discovery, production and detection of neutrons –cyclotron, synchrotron and
betatron – radiation detectors – ionisation chamber –G.M. counter – elementary particles
– classification –pions, muons, ka mesons hyperons – conservation laws – cosmic rays.

Unit – 6

Quantum Mechanics and Relativity

Wave nature of particles – deBroglie waves – Davison and Germer experiment – waves
and particle duality – photoelectric effect – photo electric multiplier – Einstein's equation
– Compton Effect – experimental verification of Compton effect – wave nature of electron –
Heisenberg's uncertainty principle – position and momentum, energy and time uncertainty
– Schrodinger's wave equation – probability amplitude –properties of wave function–
normalization – potential barriers – tunnelling across barriers – particle in a box (one
dimension only)

Relativity – postulate of Special theory of Relativity – Lorentz transformation of equations
and its application – length contraction, time dilation – variation of mass with velocity –
Mass energy equivalence – Physical Significance.

Unit – 7

Solid State Physics

Crystalline and amorphous solids – crystal lattice – structure of crystals – periodicity and
plane in crystal – translational and rotational symmetry – crystallography – fundamental
types of lattices in two and three dimensions – Bravais lattice – lattice systems, unit cell
– primitive lattice vectors – packing fraction – Miller indices – crystal planes and directions
– reciprocal lattice vectors – x-rays – Bragg's law – crystal diffraction by x rays –x ray
spectroscopy – characteristic x ray spectra – x ray absorption and fluorescence –Mosley's
law – uses of x rays – Laue and Bragg equations – symmetry elements and symmetry
groups – types of crystal – different types of chemical bonds – ionic, covalent, metallic –
vanderWaals bond.

Unit – 8

Optics and Spectroscopy

Defect of images – spherical aberration – methods of minimizing spherical aberration
– chromatic aberration –their rectification – deviation without dispersion and dispersion
without deviation – eyepiece – interference – young's double slit experiment – colours of

thin film – Newton's rings – air wedge – diffraction – Fresnel and Fraunhofer types – zone plate and diffraction grating – prism – Huygens's explanation – polarisation – double refraction – Nicol prism – quarter and half wave plates – production and detection of plane, circular and elliptically polarised light – optical activity – determination of specific rotatory power using polarimeter – optic fiber – fiber optic sensors – fibre optic communication systems and their advantages – laser – stimulated emission – population inversion – ruby and helium-neon laser and applications – UV and IR spectroscopy and applications – Raman effect – explanation on the basis of quantum theory – experimental arrangement – applications of Raman effect.

Unit – 9

Electrical circuits and Electronics

AC circuits with R, L and C – complex impedance and phase diagram – R-L and R-C circuits – series and parallel resonant-LCR circuits – sharpness of resonance Q factor – power in A.C. circuit – choke coil.

Semiconductor – energy band theory of solids and insulators, conductors and semiconductors – intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductors – electrons and holes as charge carriers – P type and N type semi-conductors – junction diodes – characteristics curve of diode – diode applications – Light Emitting Diodes, Photodiodes – junction transistors – characteristics of transistors – rectifier, amplifier and oscillator circuits – AM and FM transmission and reception with block diagrams – Logic circuits – NOT, AND, OR, NAND, NOR and Ex-OR gates – truth tables – Boolean algebra – deMorgan's theorems – Karnaugh map simplification – opamp IC – summing, difference, integrator and differentiator circuits using opamp – astable and monostable multi vibrators – flip-flop circuits.

Unit – 10 Experimental Physics

Errors and approximations – types of errors – absolute, relative and percentage of errors – significant figures – advantages of average – least count of instruments – calibration techniques – curve plotting – least square refinement – dimensional analysis and uses – parallax method – Vernier calipers – screw gauge – travelling microscope – optic lever – Haier's apparatus – calorimeter – Barton's radiation correction – focal length of concave lens by contact – galvanometer – conversion of galvanometer into ammeter and voltmeter – calibration of low range ammeter and voltmeter – ballistic galvanometer – figure of merit – Ohm meter – multimeter – tangent galvanometer – magnetometer – meter bridge – potentiometer – LCR circuits – registers and counters.