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**Values of some physical constants:**

Planck's constant,  $h = 6.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$ , Velocity of light,  $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ,

Gravitational Constant,  $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \text{ Kg}^{-1} \text{ S}^{-2}$  Boltzmann constant,  $k_B = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ m}^2 \text{ Kg s}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-1}$

Electronic charge ( $e$ ) =  $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ , Wien's constant =  $2.898 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m-K}$  Stefan's constant,  $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}$

**SECTION A**

S. No.		Marks	Cos
Q 1	Compute the mass of the Sun if orbital period of the Earth is $3.16 \times 10^7$ sec and average distance between earth and sun is $1.5 \times 10^{11}$ m.	5	CO4
Q.2	Describe briefly how the reddening of the stars is taking place.	5	CO2
Q.3	Define the Earth's Magneto-sphere. Discuss how it is protecting Earth from solar wind	5	CO3
Q.4	Describe the two techniques to measure the mass of galaxies.	5	CO4

**SECTION B**

Q.5	Define the Coriolis force. If Coriolis force is given by $F = 2\Omega \sin(\Phi)v$ in units $\text{m/s}^2$ where $\Omega = 7.27 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$ is the earth's rate of rotation. $\Phi$ denotes the latitude and $v$ is speed in $\text{m/sec}$ relative to Earth of the object in question. Calculate the magnitude of the Coriolis force acting on the body moving with speed $50 \text{ m/s}$ in Northern hemisphere. What will be the direction of Coriolis force acting on the body?	10	CO2
Q.6	(a) A star has an apparent magnitude of 6.0 and 9.0 as minimum and maximum, respectively. Its minimum and maximum effective temperature is $2600\text{K}$ and $1900\text{K}$ . Find the ratio of maximum and minimum radii? (b) Knowing that the apparent magnitude of the Sun is $-26.73$ , calculate its absolute magnitude.	5 5	CO4

Q.7	<p>If we have a star that is at 100 parsecs and if its apparent brightness is 12, then what would have to be its distance in order to be seen with an apparent brightness of 9? Give the distance in parsecs, AU and in light years.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <p>Plot the variation of the day length on a horizontal surface through the year for the place New Delhi (28° 35' N, 77° 12' E). Day length may be calculated on average day of the month.</p>	10	CO4
Q.8	<p>(a) What is Hubble's Law and how is it used by astronomers to measure distances to galaxies?</p> <p>(b) According to the Hubble's law, with <math>H_0 = 70 \text{ Km/sec/pc}</math>, what is the recessional speed of a galaxy at a distance of 200 MPc?</p>	5 5	CO2
<p><b>SECTION-C</b></p> <p><b>Q.9 is compulsory. Attempt any one out of Q.10 and Q.11</b></p>			
Q.9	<p>Write the short notes on the following:</p> <p>(a) Nebula and types of Nebula</p> <p>(b) Black Holes and their properties</p> <p>(c) Big Bang expansion</p> <p>(d) Milky Way Galaxy and Orion arm</p>	20	CO1
Q.10	<p>(a) Write the 10 major effects of space weather on Earth.</p> <p>(b) The NASA, Mars Radiation Environment Experiment (MARIE) measured the daily radiation dosages from a satellite orbiting Mars between March 13, 2002 and September 30, 2003 as shown in the figure given in appendix-II. The dose rate is given in units of milliRads per day. (1 Rad = 2 Rems for cosmic radiation). The six tall 'spikes' are Solar Proton Events (SPEs) which are related to solar flares, while the rest of the plotted data is the dosage caused by galactic cosmic rays (GCRs).</p> <p>(i) By finding the approximate area under the plotted data, calculate the total radiation dosage in Rems for the GCRs during the observation period between 4/03/2002 and 8/20/2003.</p> <p>(ii) Assuming that each SPE event lasted 3 days, and that its plotted profile is a simple rectangle, calculate the total radiation dosage in Rems for the SPEs during the observation period.</p> <p>(iii) What would be the total radiation dosage for an unshielded astronaut orbiting Mars under these conditions?</p> <p>(iv) Are SPEs more important than GCRs as a source of radiation?</p>	10 10	CO3

Q.11	<p>(a) Define the different units for the measurement of ionizing radiations. What is the difference between Sievert and Gray?</p> <p>(b) Spacecraft engineers design space craft by considering the radiation environment to shield the astronauts from harmful ionizing space radiations. For designing purpose, they used the following model for the orbit path as a function of angular position, <math>R(\theta)</math> and radiation dose rates, <math>G(R)</math>.</p> $\frac{R(\theta)}{R_0} = 5.7 - \left[ \frac{210}{100 - 55 \cos \theta} \right]$ <p>where <math>R_0</math> is the earth radius equal to the 6378 Km</p> $T(\theta) = \frac{9}{2\pi} (\theta - 0.55 \sin \theta) \text{ hours}$ $G(R) = 0.136R^6 - 2.194R^5 + 13.89R^4 - \frac{43}{73}R^3 + 71.78R^2 - 57.95R + 18.15 \text{ Grays/hours}$ <p>(i) Construct the function table where the columns are <math>\theta</math>, <math>T(\theta)</math> in hrs, <math>R(\theta)</math> in multiple of <math>R_0</math> and <math>G(\theta)</math> in Grays/hrs.</p> <p>(ii) Plot the graph <math>G(T)</math> in (Grays/hrs) Vs <math>T</math> (in hrs) over one complete orbit over the domain <math>T</math> [0, 9hrs].</p> <p>(iii) Estimate the geometric area under the curve and then calculate the total accumulated dose over the one complete orbit.</p> <p>(iv) If 1 cm thickness of aluminum reduce the radiation by 15 times, then how many cm of shielding will be needed to reduce the total accumulated dose to 1000 Grays over 5 years.?</p>	5	CO3
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## Appendix-I

Table: Recommended Average Days for Months and Values of n by Months

Month	<i>n</i> for <i>i</i> th Day of Month	For Average Day of Month	
		Date	<i>n</i>
January	<i>i</i>	17	17
February	31 + <i>i</i>	16	47
March	59 + <i>i</i>	16	75
April	90 + <i>i</i>	15	105
May	120 + <i>i</i>	15	135
June	151 + <i>i</i>	11	162
July	181 + <i>i</i>	17	198
August	212 + <i>i</i>	16	228
September	243 + <i>i</i>	15	258
October	273 + <i>i</i>	15	288
November	304 + <i>i</i>	14	318
December	334 + <i>i</i>	10	344

### Useful Models and Equations

1. Declination  $\delta = 23.45 \sin \left[ \frac{360}{365} (284 + n) \right]$  *n*: day number

2. Sun set/sun rise hour angle  
 $\omega_s = \cos^{-1}(-\tan \phi \tan \delta)$  where  $\phi$  is the latitude.

3. Day Length

$$N = \frac{2}{15} \omega_s$$

4.  $E_0 = \left( \frac{r_0}{r} \right)^2 = 1 + 0.033 \cos \left[ \frac{2\pi n}{365} \right]$ ; where *n* is the day number and  $r_0$  is the average distance between earth and sun and equal to the  $1.5 \times 10^{11}$  m.

5. Solar time (AST) = local standard time  $\pm 4(L_S - L_C) + Et$  where  $L_S$  is the standard longitude and  $L_C$  is the local longitude.

$$E_t = (0.000075 + 0.001868 \cos \Gamma - 0.032077 \sin \Gamma - 0.014615 \cos 2\Gamma - 0.04089 \sin 2\Gamma)(229.18).$$

where  $\Gamma = 2\pi(n - 1)/365$

Appendix-II

**MARIE Daily Average Dose Rates: 03/13/2002 - 09/30/2003**

