PH3151

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- To make the students effectively achieve an understanding of mechanics.
- To enable the students to gain knowledge of electromagnetic waves and its applications.
- To introduce the basics of oscillations, optics and lasers.
- Equipping the students to successfully understand the importance of quantum physics.
- To motivate the students towards the applications of quantum mechanics.

UNIT I MECHANICS

Multi-particle dynamics: Center of mass (CM) - CM of continuous bodies - motion of the CM - kinetic energy of the system of particles. Rotation of rigid bodies: Rotational kinematics - rotational kinetic energy and moment of inertia - theorems of M .I - moment of inertia of continuous bodies - M.I of a diatomic molecule - torque – rotational dynamics of rigid bodies - conservation of angular momentum – rotational energy state of a rigid diatomic molecule - gyroscope - torsional pendulum – double pendulum-Introduction to nonlinear oscillations.

UNIT II ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES

The Maxwell's equations - wave equation; Plane electromagnetic waves in vacuum, Conditions on the wave field - properties of electromagnetic waves: speed, amplitude, phase, orientation and waves in matter - polarization - Producing electromagnetic waves - Energy and momentum in EM waves: Intensity, waves from localized sources, momentum and radiation pressure - Cell-phone reception. Reflection and transmission of electromagnetic waves from a non-conducting medium vacuum interface for normal incidence.

UNIT III OSCILLATIONS, OPTICS AND LASERS

Simple harmonic motion - resonance –analogy between electrical and mechanical oscillating systems - waves on a string - standing waves - traveling waves - Energy transfer of a wave - sound waves - Doppler effect. Reflection and refraction of light waves - total internal reflection - interference -Michelson interferometer -Theory of air wedge and experiment. Theory of laser - characteristics - Spontaneous and stimulated emission - Einstein's coefficients - population inversion - Nd-YAG laser, CO₂ laser, semiconductor laser - Basic applications of lasers in industry.

UNIT IV BASIC QUANTUM MECHANICS

Photons and light waves - Electrons and matter waves –Compton effect - The Schrodinger equation (Time dependent and time independent forms) - meaning of wave function - Normalization –Free particle - particle in a infinite potential well: 1D,2D and 3D Boxes Normalization, probabilities and the correspondence principle.

UNIT V APPLIED QUANTUM MECHANICS

The harmonic oscillator(qualitative)- Barrier penetration and quantum tunneling(qualitative)-Tunneling microscope - Resonant diode - Finite potential wells (qualitative)- Bloch's theorem for particles in a periodic potential –Basics of Kronig-Penney model and origin of energy bands.

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COURSE OUTCOMES:

After completion of this course, the students should be able to

- Understand the importance of mechanics.
- Express their knowledge in electromagnetic waves.
- Demonstrate a strong foundational knowledge in oscillations, optics and lasers.
- Understand the importance of quantum physics.

• Comprehend and apply quantum mechanical principles towards the formation of energy bands.

TEXT BOOKS:

- 1. D.Kleppner and R.Kolenkow. An Introduction to Mechanics. McGraw Hill Education (Indian Edition), 2017.
- 2. E.M.Purcell and D.J.Morin, Electricity and Magnetism, Cambridge Univ.Press, 2013.
- 3. Arthur Beiser, Shobhit Mahajan, S. Rai Choudhury, Concepts of Modern Physics, McGrawHill (Indian Edition), 2017.

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- 2. Paul A. Tipler, Physic Volume 1 & 2, CBS, (Indian Edition), 2004.
- 3. K.Thyagarajan and A.Ghatak. Lasers: Fundamentals and Applications, Laxmi Publications, (Indian Edition), 2019.
- 4. D.Halliday, R.Resnick and J.Walker. Principles of Physics, Wiley (Indian Edition), 2015.
- 5. N.Garcia, A.Damask and S.Schwarz. Physics for Computer Science Students. SpringerVerlag, 2012.