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**VASAVI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Autonomous), HYDERABAD**  
**B.E. (CBCS) II-Semester Main Examinations, January-2021**

**Applied Physics**

(Mechanical)

Time: 2 hours

Max. Marks: 60

*Note: Answer any NINE questions from Part-A and any THREE from Part-B*

**Part-A (9 × 2 = 18 Marks)**

| Q. No.                            | Stem of the question  | M | L | CO | PO     |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|----|--------|
| 1.                                | Define compound pendulum. A compound pendulum having moment of inertia, $I$ about the point of suspension is displaced by a small angle $\theta$ from the equilibrium position. Write the equation of motion.   | 2 | 3 | 1  | 1,2,12 |
| 2.                                | What is quality factor? Define lightly damped, heavily damped and critically damped oscillators in terms of quality factor.   | 2 | 2 | 1  | 1,2,12 |
| 3.                                | Write the conditions for constructive and destructive interference  | 2 | 1 | 2  | 1,2,12 |
| 4.                                | Light of wavelength $5500\text{\AA}$ falls normally on a slit of width $22 \times 10^{-5}$ cm. Calculate the angular position of first two minima on either side of central maxima.   | 2 | 2 | 2  | 1,2,12 |
| 5.                                | Explain the characteristics of a laser beam.  | 2 | 1 | 3  | 1,2,12 |
| 6.                                | Explain the terms numerical aperture and acceptance angle of an optical fiber.  | 2 | 1 | 3  | 1,2,12 |
| 7.                                | Define intensity of sound and what is its unit?   | 2 | 1 | 4  | 1,2,12 |
| 8.                                | Mention any four applications of ultrasonic waves   | 2 | 2 | 4  | 1,2,12 |
| 9.                                | Write at least four applications of cryogenic liquids.  | 2 | 2 | 5  | 1,2,12 |
| 10.                               | Write any four properties of liquid helium?   | 2 | 5 | 5  | 1,2,12 |
| 11.                               | Define simple harmonic motion and name the physical parameters that characterize a simple harmonic motion.  | 2 | 1 | 1  | 1,2,12 |
| 12.                               | Write a note on double refraction.  | 2 | 1 | 2  | 1,2,12 |
| <b>Part-B (3 × 14 = 42 Marks)</b> |   |   |   |    |        |
| 13. a)                            | Write the equation of motion of a damped harmonic oscillator. Obtain an expression how the energy of a damped harmonic oscillator changes as a function of time and damping constant.   | 8 | 3 | 1  | 1,2,12 |
| b)                                | The amplitude of an oscillator of frequency 200 per second falls to 1/10 of its initial value after 2000 cycles. Calculate (i) its relaxation time (ii) its quality factor (iii) time in which its energy falls to 1/10 of its initial value (iv) damping constant. | 6 | 4 | 1  | 1,2,12 |

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| 14. a) | Obtain the conditions for the interference of light reflected by a thin parallel film.  | 7 | 3 | 2 | 1,2,12 |
| b)     | Describe Fraunhofer's diffraction due to single slit and deduce the position of the maxima and minima.                        | 7 | 3 | 2 | 1,2,12 |
| 15. a) | Describe the construction and working of a ruby laser.  | 8 | 3 | 3 | 1,2,12 |
| b)     | Write the differences between step index multimode fiber and graded index multimode fiber.                                    | 6 | 2 | 3 | 1,2,12 |
| 16. a) | What is reverberation time? Using Sabine's formulae explain how the sound absorption coefficient of a material is determined. | 7 | 4 | 4 | 1,2,12 |
| b)     | What is magnetostriction? Briefly explain how the ultrasonic waves are produced using a magnetostrictive oscillator.          | 7 | 3 | 4 | 1,2,12 |
| 17. a) | Define inversion temperature, Boyle temperature and critical temperature. What is the relation between them?                  | 7 | 2 | 5 | 1,2,12 |
| b)     | Briefly explain how low temperatures can be obtained using adiabatic demagnetization.   | 7 | 3 | 5 | 1,2,12 |
| 18. a) | Define resonance. Sketch how the sharpness of a resonance curve changes with the quality of damping.                          | 7 | 2 | 1 | 1,2,12 |
| b)     | Explain the construction and working of nicol prism.  | 7 | 2 | 2 | 1,2,12 |
| 19.    | Answer any <b>two</b> of the following:   |   |   |   |        |
| a)     | Can we have two-level laser? Justify your answer.   | 7 | 5 | 3 | 1,2,12 |
| b)     | Explain various factors affecting architectural acoustics and their remedies.   | 7 | 2 | 4 | 1,2,12 |
| c)     | Explain the liquefaction of air through Linde process.  | 7 | 3 | 5 | 1,2,12 |

M: Marks; L: Bloom's Taxonomy Level; CO: Course Outcome; PO: Programme Outcome

| S. No. | Criteria for questions   | Percentage |
|--------|--|------------|
| 1      | Fundamental knowledge (Level-1 & 2)  | 56         |
| 2      | Knowledge on application and analysis (Level-3 & 4)                              | 37         |
| 3      | *Critical thinking and ability to design (Level-5 & 6)<br>(*wherever applicable) | 7          |

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