Physics 2

List of possible questions (10 will be selected – max. one from each group):

1: Give Maxwell's equations in integral or differential form.

2a: Explain the character of EM waves (with the right hand rule for wave description).

2b: Explain the role of Poynting vector in EM waves description.

2c: Explain the known EM spectrum, define the limits of visible light wavelengths.

3a: Explain basic properties of light reflection and refraction (and diffraction).

3b: Explain properties of different types of lenses and mirrors (explain optical microscope).

3c: Explain the black body radiation.

4a: Write the law of reflection.

4b: Write the law of refraction.

4c: Write the thin lens formula.

5a: Briefly explain the principle of optical microscope.

- 5b: Briefly explain the principle of light emitting diode.
- 5c: Briefly explain the principle of laser.

6a: Give Einstein's two postulates of Special theory of relativity.

6b: Explain the Lorentz transformations equations (time dilation and length contraction).

6c: Give the known relation between mass and energy.

7a: Explain the spacetime diagram and light cone.

7b: Explain tenets of general theory of relativity and principle of equivalence.

7c: Explain properties of spacetime (curvature, gravitational lensing, etc.).

- 8a: Explain Thomson's, Rutherford's, Bohr's and cloud models of atom.
- 8b: Describe properties of nucleons and first experiments of their detection.
- 8c: Explain photoelectric effect and Plank's (Einstein's) interpretation.
- 9a: Explain the binding energy of nucleus.
- 9b: Explain alpha, beta, gamma and neutron radiation.
- 9c: List four radioactive series and 3 basic types of radiation.
- 10a: Give the four basic classes of phenomena in quantum mechanics.
- 10b: Explain the Heisenberg's uncertainty principle and write the Schrödinger's equation.
- 10c: Give the basic elements of The Standard Model (elementary particles categories and force carriers).

List of possible exercises (2 will be selected):

- 1. What refraction angle has a light ray, entering from air into water under given incident angle? The value of the refraction index for pure water is 1.33.
- 2. Vertical line object with given height is located in a given distance in the front of a camera lens. Find the distance of the image from the lens, when the focal length of the lens is given.
- 3. Certain physical process requires very short time to occur in an atom at rest in a laboratory. How much time will an observer measure, when the atom is moving with a very speed (close to the speed of light)?
- 4. Consider a parallel plate capacitor, which is maintained at electrical potential U. Calculate the displacement current for a very short time interval, when is given the distance between the plates and the area of the plates.
- 5. The half-life of selected radioactive isotope is given. Find the time in which the total amount of not decayed atoms equals to some percentual part of the original amount.