

THE KAVERY ENGINEERING COLLEGE
(An Autonomous Institution)
UG/PG DEGREE END SEMESTER THEORY EXAMINATIONS, APRIL-MAY 2026
Sixth Semester
Computer Science and Engineering
OAS351 – SPACE SCIENCE
 (Common to Electronics and Communication Engineering)
Regulations - 2021

Duration : 3 Hrs

Maximum : 100 Marks

PART – A (ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS) (Marks 10*2=20)

Q.No	Questions	BLT	CO	Marks
1.	Identify any two effects of vacuum in space environment.	L2	1	2
2.	Define space science and mention two of its major applications.	L2	1	2
3.	State the Hubble expansion model and its relevance to cosmic evolution.	L2	2	2
4.	What evidence supports the Big Bang theory?	L1	2	2
5.	List any two features of active galaxies and quasars.	L1	3	2
6.	Name two effects of galactic magnetic fields and cosmic rays.	L1	3	2
7.	Sketch Hertsprung-Russell diagram and label the major regions.	L2	4	2
8.	Define the Chandrasekhar Limit and its significance in stellar evolution.	L2	4	2
9.	Give two examples of artificial satellites and their purposes.	L1	5	2
10.	Recall Bode's Law and indicate how it helps in predicting planetary distances?	L2	5	2

PART – B (ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS) (Marks 5*16 = 80)

Q.No	Questions	BLT	CO	Marks
11. a	Investigate the characteristics of vacuum, plasma, and radiation in the space environment. How do these factors affect spacecraft design and function?	L3	1	16
	Or			
b	Examine different types of space debris and demonstrate the mitigation techniques used by space agencies to manage their impact on spacecraft and satellites?	L3	1	16
12. a	Discuss the roles of dark matter and dark energy in the expansion of the universe?	L3	2	16
	Or			
b	Interpret the implications of cosmic microwave background radiation and summarize its contributions to our understanding of the early universe?	L3	2	16
13. a	Illustrate the interaction between cosmic rays and magnetic fields in the Milky Way. Explain the significance of this interaction in astrophysical observations?	L2	3	16
	Or			
b	Classify different types of galaxies and describe their structural features using neat sketches?	L2	3	16
14. a	Compare the structural characteristics and life cycles of different composite stars?	L3	4	16
	Or			
b	Construct a chart representing the Harvard spectral classes and explain the significance of absorption lines in classifying stars within this system?	L3	4	16
15. a	Demonstrate the application of Kepler's laws by solving a numerical example involving the revolution of a planet around the Sun?	L3	5	16
	Or			
b	Compare the planets in our Solar System based on size, shape, distance from the Sun, period of rotation, and revolution?	L3	5	16