

M.A. Examination, 2018
Semester-IV
Philosophy
Course – XXVI (Special Paper)
(Philosophy of Mind : Unit-II)

Time: Three Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer *any four* questions

1. State the problem of species (or neural) chauvinism. Explain how the functionalist account of mental states can avoid this problem. 4+6=10
 2. State any two objections against functionalism and examine them. 5+5=10
 3. What is the hard problem of consciousness? Does Chalmers think this problem is too hard for our limited minds? Discuss briefly. 5+5=10
 4. State Searle's Chinese Room argument and explain how Searle deals with the common objections against this argument. 5+5=10
 5. What does Levine understand by the 'Explanatory Gap'? Discuss in your own words. 10
 6. Explain how the functionalists characterize mental states as multiply realizable, functional states. 10
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