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Question Paper

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(Under CBCS Pattern)

Semester - V

Subject: PHYSICS

Paper: C11T & C11P

(Quantum Mechanics and Applications)

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 Hours

Candidates are required to give their answer in their own words as far as practicable.

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Group - A

THEORY (Marks : 40)

Answer any *two* from the following questions : 2×20

1. Answer any *five* questions from the following : 5×4=20

(a) What is Gyromagnetic ratio for the orbital and spin motion of an electron in an atom.

(b) State Paul's exclusion principle. Give electronic configuration for the element.

Ni ($Z = 28$).

- (c) Find the precessional frequency of an electron orbit when placed in magnetic field of 6 Wb/m^2 .
- (d) Calculate the value of lowest energy of an electron in a one dimensional force free region of length 4\AA .
- (e) Distinguish between a classical and quantum harmonic oscillator.
- (f) Calculate the normalization constant for a wave function (at $t = 0$) given by $\Psi(x) = ae^{-a^2x^2/2}e^{ikx}$ known as a Gaussian wave packet.
- (g) What is Larmor's theorem ?
2. (a) (i) Using Heisenberg uncertainty principle, calculate the ground state energy and radius of hydrogen and helium atom.
- (ii) Using the energy-time uncertainty principle calculate the width of the spectral line when the atom de-excites to the ground state.
- (iii) Using the uncertainty principle, show that an alpha particle can exist inside a nucleus. 5+2+3
- (b) (i) State and prove Ehrenfest's theorem.
- (ii) What are the continuity and boundary conditions that must be satisfied for a wave function to be physically acceptable ?
- (iii) Show that the uncertainty relation $\Delta x \Delta p \geq \hbar / 2$ is satisfied in the case of particle in a one-dimensional box. $\left(\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}\right)$
- (iv) Calculate the probability that a particle in a one-dimensional box a length L can be found between $0.4 L$ to $0.6 L$ for the (a) ground state, (b) first excited state, (c) second excited state. 3+2+3+2
3. (a) (i) What is Anomalous Zeeman effect ? Explain with the help of diagram the transition between 3d and 2p levels in a Normal Zeeman effect. 3+2
- (ii) Calculate the Lande g factor for the following states : (i) $3^2S_{1/2}$ (ii) $4^2P_{1/2}$. 2+2

(b) (i) The normalized ground state wave function of hydrogen atom is given by,

$$\Psi(r, \theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a^3}} e^{-r/a}, \quad 0 < r < \infty. \text{ Find the value of } \left\langle \frac{1}{r} \right\rangle$$

(ii) Write down the Hamiltonian for the hydrogen atom.

(iii) Prove that for the hydrogen atom the wave functions Ψ_{100} and Ψ_{200} are orthogonal.

(iv) What do you mean by the degeneracy of state ? 4+2+2+2

4. (a) Define the creation (a^+) and annihilation (a) operators for a harmonic oscillator and

show that $\hat{H} = \hbar\omega \left(a^+ a + \frac{1}{2} \right)$ 5

(b) A particle in the harmonic oscillator potential starts out in the state

$$\psi(x, 0) = A [3\psi_0(x) + 4\psi_1(x)]$$

(A) Find A (B) Construct $\psi(x, t)$ and $|\psi(x, t)|^2$ 5

(c) Suppose a particle starts out in a linear combination of just two stationary states :

$$\psi(x, 0) = c_1\psi_1(x) + c_2\psi_2(x)$$

(i) What is the wave function $\psi(x, t)$ at subsequent times ?

(ii) Is it a stationary state ?

(iii) Discuss briefly, with theory, the Stern-Gerlach experiment. Justify the use of a beam of silver atoms in the experiment. 2+3+5

Group - B

PRACTICAL (Marks : 20)

Answer any **one** from the following questions : 1×20

1. Demonstrate in details the tunneling effect in tunnel diode using I-V characteristics.

2. Solve the s-wave radial Schrodinger equation for the vibrations of hydrogen molecule :

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dr^2} = A(r)u(r), \quad A(r) = \frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2} [V(r) - E]$$

Where μ is the reduced mass of the two-atom system for the Morse potential

$$V(r) = D(e^{-2\alpha r'} - e^{-\alpha r'}), r' = \frac{r - r_0}{r}$$

Find the lowest vibrational energy (in MeV) of the molecule to an accuracy of three significant digits. Also plot the corresponding wave function.

Take $m = 940 \times 10^6 \text{ eV}/c^2$, $D = 0.755501 \text{ eV}$, $\alpha = 1.44$, $r_0 = 0.131349 \text{ \AA}$

3. Solve the s-wave radial Schrodinger equation for a particle of mass m :

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dr^2} = A(r)u(r), A(r) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} [V(r) - E]$$

For the anharmonic oscillator potential.

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{2}kr^2 + \frac{1}{3}br^3$$

for the ground state energy (in MeV) of particle to an accuracy of three significant digits. Also, plot the corresponding wave function.

Choose $m = 940 \text{ MeV}/c^2$, $k = 100 \text{ MeV fm}^{-2}$, $b = 0, 10, 30 \text{ MeV fm}^{-3}$.

In these units, $c\hbar = 197.3 \text{ MeV fm}$. The ground state energy I expected to lie between 90 and 110 MeV for all three cases.
