

2021
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PHYSICS
HONOURS

PHY-308

EIGHT PAPER
(Quantum Mechanics)
Theory

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicates full marks for the questions

Answer all the questions.

1. a) Give a precise statements bringing out the difference between Planck's hypothesis and Einstein's hypothesis about radiation.
- b) What makes the classical inadequacy in the study of photoelectric effect? How can it be removed by Einstein?
- c) Show that in order to associate de Broglie wave with the propagation of photons, photons must travel with the speed of light c and their rest mass must be zero. 2+3+2+3=10
2. a) Develop the equation of motion,

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle A \rangle = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle [A, H] \rangle,$$
 where A is a dynamical variable which does not have explicit time dependence and H , the Hamiltonian of motion. 10

Or

- b) Deduce the Ehrenfest's theorem,

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle x \rangle = \frac{1}{m} \langle p \rangle,$$
 where all quantities have their usual physical meanings. 7
- c) Show that in one dimension, the operator $\hat{T} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ is Hermitian. 3
3. a) What are stationary states? Show that if a particle is in a stationary state at a given time, it is always remain in a stationary state. 3
- b) A potential is defined as

$$V(x) = 0, \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq a$$

$$= \infty' \text{ for } x > a \text{ and } x < 0$$
 Solve the Schrodinger wave equation for the system and also develop the energy eigenvalues. 7

Or

- c) Write down the Schrodinger wave equation for the motion of a free particle confined along a particular direction. Obtain the energy eigenstate and energy eigenvalue for the system of motion. 1+6=7
4. a) A free particle travelling in the positive x – direction is incident on a potential step at $x = 0$, given by

$$V(x) = 0 \quad \text{for } x < 0$$

$$= V_0 \quad \text{for } x > 0$$
 If the energy of the particle $E < V_0$, determine the reflection and transmission coefficients and also deduce the condition for having quantum tunnelling effect. 5+5+1=11

Or

- b) Calculate $\langle x^2 \rangle$ and $\langle p^2 \rangle$ for a linear harmonic oscillator at the level of n^{th} state and also deduce that $\langle T \rangle = \langle V \rangle$, where all the quantities have their usual meanings. 4+5+2=11

5. Answer any three of the following:

3x3=9

- a) Neglecting electron spin degeneracy, show that the hydrogen atom energy levels are n^2 – fold degeneracy, with $n > 1$.
- b) Show that the most probable distance of electron from the nucleus in the ground state of hydrogen atom is equal to Bohr's radius.
- c) Calculate the average distance from electron to nucleus at the level of ground state,
 $\psi_{100}(r) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a_0^3}} e^{-\frac{r}{a_0}}$, where a_0 is the Bohr's radius.
- d) Use the radial Schrodinger equation for the hydrogen atom to find the ground state energy E_1 , given that the ground state radial wavefunction is
 $R_{10}(r) = A e^{-\frac{r}{a_0}}$, where $a_0 = \frac{\hbar^2}{\mu e^2}$, the Bohr's radius and A is constant and all other quantities have their usual meanings.

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NINTH PAPER
(Physics of Materials)
Theory

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Answer all the questions.

1. Define crystal lattice and basis. Describe the seven systems of crystals to show that there are fourteen Bravais lattices in three dimensions. 2+8=10

Or

Show that for a simple cubic lattice, $d_{100}:d_{110}:d_{111} = \sqrt{6}:\sqrt{3}:\sqrt{2}$ where d is the distance between consecutive parallel planes. What is reciprocal lattice? Show that f.c.c. lattice is reciprocal lattice of b.c.c. lattice. 5+1+4=10

2. Derive the expressions for electrical conductivity and thermal conductivity on the basis of classical free electron theory. Obtain Wiedemann- Franz law. 8+2=10

Or

State Bloch Theorem and show how Kronig-Penny model leads to the formation of energy bands for an electron in a periodic potential. 2+8=10

3. Derive an expression for the lattice specific heat of a solid based on Einstein's model and discuss the low temperature and high temperature behaviour of this specific heat. 7+3=10

Or

Obtain the dispersion relation for a one-dimensional diatomic lattice. Illustrate with a proper dispersion curve, the occurrence of acoustical and optical branches and give a brief discussion. 7+3=10

4. Give an account of the Weiss theory of ferromagnetism and derive the Curie-Weiss law. 10

Or

Obtain Curie's law of paramagnetism from Langevin's theory. 10

5. Derive the London's equations and obtain an expression of penetration depth. 8+2=10

Or

What are nanomaterials? State three main applications of nanomaterials. What are quantum wells, wires and dots? Mention the four types of nanomaterials. 2+3+3+2=10
