



M.Sc. II Semester Degree Examination, Sept./Oct. - 2024

PHYSICS

Quantum Mechanics

(NEP)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : Answer **any five** of the following questions with Question No.1 (Q1) is **Compulsory**, each question carries **equal** marks.

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| 1. | (a) | Describe Planck's quantum hypothesis and its significance in explaining the black body radiation. | 5 |
| | (b) | State and prove Ehrenfest's theorem $(F_x) = \frac{d(P_x)}{dt}$. | 9 |
| 2. | (a) | Explain the degeneracy and non-degeneracy state of the quantum system. | 5 |
| | (b) | Solve the radial part of the Schrodinger wave equation of the hydrogen atom. | 9 |
| 3. | (a) | Explain the Hilbert space with an example. | 6 |
| | (b) | Evaluate the commutators, $\left[x, \frac{d}{dx} \right]$ and $\left[\frac{d}{dx}, F(x) \right]$. | 8 |
| 4. | (a) | Derive an expression for the linear harmonic oscillator by matrix method. | 7 |
| | (b) | Discuss the Bohr-Sommerfeld quantum condition. | 7 |
| 5. | (a) | Obtain the expression for total scattering cross-section. | 7 |
| | (b) | Explain the Born approximation in the theory of scattering. | 7 |
| 6. | (a) | Normalize the wave function $\psi(x) = A \exp(-ax^2)$, where 'A' and 'a' are constants over the domain $-\infty \leq x \leq \infty$. | 7 |
| | (b) | Discuss the algebra of Bra and Ket. | 7 |
| 7. | (a) | Discuss the normal state of the He-atom using the variation method. | 6 |
| | (b) | Explain the nature of phase shift in the case of repulsive and attractive potentials. | 8 |
| 8. | (a) | Prove that Hermitian operators have real eigenvalues. | 5 |
| | (b) | Explain briefly the theory of alpha decay using the WKB approximation. | 5 |
| | (c) | Write a note on the optical theorem. | 4 |

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