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SEMESTER EXAMINATION: OCTOBER 2019

PH5215 – Quantum Mechanics, Atomic and molecular Physics

Time 2 ½hrs Max Marks: 70

This paper contains 2 printed pages and 3 parts

PART A

Answer any **FOUR** of the following:

(4x10 = 40)

- 1. a) What are the physical significance of a wave function?
 - b) Set up Schrodinger's time dependent wave equation.

(2+8)

- 2. a) Explain diffraction of electrons at a single slit to arrive at Heisenberg's uncertainty principle.
 - b) If two operators commute, write the mathematical expression for that and explain the physical significance of that. Can kinetic energy and linear momentum of a quantum system be determined simultaneously and precisely? Explain. (6+4)
- 3. a) Using separation of variables method, obtain the expression for azimuthal equation $(\Phi \text{equation})$ for a spherically symmetric particle.

(given:
$$\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2}$$
)

b) Explain degeneracy of energy states with example.

(5+5)

- 4. a) Explain zero point energy in the case of harmonic oscillator. Does this concept of zero point energy violate Planck's quantum idea? Justify your answer.
 - b) Explain tunneling effect with one example.

(5+5)

- 5. Explain 'spin' of an electron. Describe Stern- Gerlach experiment with relevant theory. (10)
- 6. What is coherent and incoherent scattering? Explain the experimental arrangement and quantum theory of Raman effect. Elaborate on stokes and antistokes lines. (2+6+2)

Solve any FOUR problems:

(4x5 = 20)

- 7. Show that sinx and sin2x with $0 < x < 2\pi$, are the eigen functions of the operator $\hat{A} = -\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ Find their eigen values.
- 8. A particle on the x-axis has the wave function $\varphi(x) = cx^2$, between x = 0 and x = 2 where c is the normalization constant. Normalize the wave function over the interval and find the expectation value of the particle's position $\langle x \rangle$.
- 9. An electron in a cubical box jumps from the state $n_x = 3$, $n_y = 3$, $n_z = 3$ to the state $n_x = 2$, $n_y = 2$, $n_z = 2$ releasing an electromagnetic wave of wavelength 4040nm. Find the sides of the box.
- 10. An electron is confined in a sphere of radius 1A°. Estimate uncertainty in the kinetic energy of the electron.
- 11. Find the possible values of the total angular momentum quantum number J under L-S coupling of two electrons whose orbital quantum numbers are l_1 = 1 and l_2 = 2. s_1 = s_2 = $\frac{1}{2}$
- 12. The CO molecule has a bond length of 0.113nm. The masses of ¹²C and ¹⁶O atoms are 1.99 x 10⁻²⁶ kg and 2.66 x 10⁻²⁶ kg respectively. Find the moment of inertia of the molecule. If lowest rotational energy is 4.76 x 10⁻⁴ eV, find the angular velocity of the molecule.

PART C

13. Answer any **FIVE** of the following:

(5x2 = 10)

- a) A cricket ball of mass 0.5kg is moving with a velocity 189 km/s. Can we observe de-Broglie wave associated with it? Explain.
- b) Can a single matter wave represent a physical particle? Explain.
- c) The work function for a certain metal is 4.2eV. Will this metal give photo electric emission for incident radiation of wavelength 330nm? Explain.
- d) A bound particle has quantised energy values. Explain.
- e) What are the possible values of l and m_l associated with the principle quantum number n=2.
- f) Differentiate between Normal Zeeman effect and anomalous zeeman effect.

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