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PHYSICS

GPHY5B07T: QUANTUM MECHANICS

Time: 2 Hours

Maximum Marks: 60

SECTION A: Answer the following questions. Each carries *two* marks.

(Ceiling 20 Marks)

- 1. Write the operators associated with energy and momentum.
- 2. What is discrete spectra?
- 3. What is photon? Give two of its properties.
- 4. Why is Thomson's atomic model also known as watermelon model?
- 5. The Compton-scattering formula suggests that objects viewed from different angles should show scattered light of different wavelengths. Why don't we observe a change in color of objects as we change the viewing angle?
- 6. State Bohr's correspondence principle.
- 7. Which one of $\psi_1 = Ae^{x^2}$ and $\psi_2 = Ae^{-x^2}$ is well-behaved quantum mechanical function in the range $-\infty < x < +\infty$?
- 8. What is meant by work function in photoelectric effect?
- 9. Distinguish between normal and anomolus Zeeman effect.
- 10. What is zero point energy?
- 11. Write down the Schrodinger equation for one dimensional hydrogen atom and explain the symbols.
- 12. What is a free particle?

SECTION B: Answer the following questions. Each carries *five* marks. (Ceiling 30 Marks)

- 13. In a Stern-Gerlach type of experiment, the magnetic field varies with distance in the z direction according to dBz/dz= 1.4T/mm. The silver atoms travel a distance x = 3.5 cm through the magnet. The most probable speed of the atoms emerging from the oven is v = 750 m/s. Find the separation of the two beams as they leave the magnet. The mass of a silver atom is 1.8 × 10-25 kg, and its magnetic moment is about 1 Bohr magneton.
- 14. Show that energy levels of Harmonic oscillator are discrete.

- 15. Calculate for hydrogen atom
 - (i) The velocity of the electron in the ground state
 - (ii) The radius of the orbit in the ground state
 - (iii) Time taken by the electron to traverse the first Bohr field.
- 16. Normalize the wave function of a two-dimensional infinite potential well of width L. Given, $\psi_{n_x,n_y}(x,y) = A' \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi}{L}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi}{L}y\right)}{2}; n_y = 1,2,3 \dots ...; n_y = 1,2,3 \dots ...$
- 17. The number of particles scattered at 60° is 100 per minute in an alpha particle scattering experiment, using gold foil. Calculate the number of particles per minute scattered at 90° angles.
- 18. Calculate the probability of transmission of a particle through a rectangular barrier indicated below:

Height of the barrier = 4 eV; The width of the barrier = $2 A^0$;

Energy of the particle = 1 eV; Mass of the particle = $1.6 X 10^{-27} kg$.

 Find the phase and group velocities of the de Broglie waves of an electron whose kinetic energy is 500 keV.

SECTION C: Answer any one question. Each carries ten marks.

20. (i) Derive time independent Schrodinger equation.

(ii) Explain the physical significance of wave function.

21. Discuss in detail the non-classical behaviour of a particle trapped in a one-dimensional rigid box.

(1 x 10 = 10 Marks)