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(For candidates admitted from 2016-2021 Batch)

M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2023.

Physics

QUANTUM MECHANICS

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 75 marks

SECTION A - ($10 \times 2 = 20$)

Answer ALL the questions.

1. State the physical meaning and conditions on the wave function.
2. What is meant by Hilbert space?
3. Find the expectation value $\langle X \rangle$ of the position of a particle trapped in a box L wide.
4. Write a note on Zero point energy of a linear harmonic oscillator.
5. State Stark effect.
6. What is meant by sudden approximation?
7. Define scattering cross-section.
8. Write a note on spin angular momentum.
9. Explain negative energy states.
10. Give a brief note on spin-orbit coupling.

SECTION B - ($5 \times 5 = 25$)

Answer ALL the questions, choosing either, (a) or (b)

11. (a) Explain the properties of Hermitian operators.
(or)
(b) Show that $i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \langle A_s \rangle = [A_s, H]$ in Schrodinger representation.
12. (a) Obtain the energy Eigen value of a rigid rotator.
(or)
(b). Deduce the formula for the energy of n^{th} level of a particle in a box.
13. (a) Explain WKB approximation and apply it to tunneling problem.
(or)
(b) Deduce Fermi's golden rule in harmonic perturbations.

14. (a) How will you calculate the differential scattering cross-section by using Green's function?
(or)
(b) State and explain the properties of L and L^2 .
15. (a) Derive the Kelvin Gordon equation for a free particle and give its solution.
(or)
(b) Write about charge and current densities.

SECTION C - ($3 \times 10 = 30$)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Derive Schrodinger equation and give its plane wave solution
17. Deduce the energy Eigen value of a linear harmonic oscillator using abstract operator method.
18. With necessary theory explain the time independent perturbation theory of first order.
19. Explain Born approximation and derive Rutherford's scattering formula for a screened Coulomb potential.
20. Obtain the Dirac equation for a free particle and deduce the Dirac matrices.
