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Third Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, February 2021.

Physics

PH:231 ADVANCED QUANTUM MECHANICS

(2018 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

PART – A

Answer any **five** questions. Each question carries **3** marks.

- I. (a) Two angular momenta are given by J_1 , and J_2 . Prove that $J=J_1+J_2$ is an angular momentum, while $J'=J_1-J_2$ is not.
- (b) By considering the spin functions of two electrons, explain singlet and triplet states.
- (c) What are the difficulties associated with Klein -Gordan equation?
- (d) Outline the principles of variational method of approximation.
- (e) What are Dirac matrices?
- (f) What are Einstein's coefficients?
- (g) Show that the ground state of hydrogen atom has no first order Stark effect.
- (h) State and explain Fermi's Golden rule.

(5 × 3 = 15 Marks)

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PART – B

Answer **all** questions. Each question carries **15** marks.

- II. (a) Show how the degenerate Levels of the $n=2$ state of hydrogen atom are split in an electric field and obtain the perturbed energy levels.

OR

- (b) Obtain the WKB wave function for the classical and non classical regions and deduce the connection formulae.

- III. (a) What is Born Approximation? Describe the scattering by the screened Coulomb potential based on Born approximation.

OR

- (b) Derive the Hartree - Fock equation based on the symmetry considerations of identical particles.

- IV. (a) What are Pauli's Spin matrices? Give the properties of Pauli's Spin matrices. Using Paul's spin matrix representation, reduce the operator $S_x^2 S_y S_z^2$

OR

- (b) Derive the equations of continuity for the Dirac equation. Show that the spin of the electron is a natural consequence of the Dirac equation.

(3 × 15 = 45 Marks)

PART – C

Answer any **three** questions. Each question carries **5** marks.

- V. (a) A particle is in an eigen state of J_z . Prove that $\langle J_z \rangle = \langle J_y \rangle = 0$
- (b) For Pauli's matrices, prove that (i) $[\sigma_x, \sigma_y] = 2i\sigma_z$ and (ii) $\sigma_x \sigma_y \sigma_z = i$
- (c) Which of the following transitions are electric dipoles allowed?
- (i) $1s \rightarrow 2s$ (ii) $1s - 2p$ and (iii) $2p \rightarrow 3d$



- (d) Derive the Klein – Gordan equation.
- (e) Obtain an expression for the scattering amplitude by a central potential (when δ_i is small) using the method of partial wave analysis.
- (f) If $\psi_e(\vec{r})$ and $\psi_o(\vec{r})$ are the eigen functions of the parity operator belonging to even and odd eigen states, show that they are orthogonal.

(3 × 5 = 15 Marks)

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