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**End Semester Examination of Semester-I, 2016**

**Subject : PHYSICS (PG)**

**Paper : PHSPG-102 (Theory)**

**Group : A & B**

**Full Marks : 40**

**Time : 2 Hrs**

*The figures in the margin indicate the marks  
corresponding to the question*

*Candidates are requested to give their answers  
in their own word as far as practicable.*

*Illustrate the answers whenever necessary*

**Use separate Answer scripts for Group A and Group B**

**Group A (Mark 20)**

Answer Q1 and any one out of Q2 and Q3:

Q1. Answer any five questions:

2x5=10

- a) Check whether the operator  $-i\hbar x \frac{d}{dx}$  is hermitian.
- b) Prove that
  - i) the projection operator  $\hat{P}_i$  is an idempotent operator.
  - ii)  $\hat{P}_i \hat{P}_j = \hat{P}_i \delta_{ij}$
- c) The form of the wave function for the Hydrogen atom is given as

$$\Psi_{nlm} = \frac{1}{162\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{r^2}{a_0^{\frac{7}{2}}} e^{-\frac{r}{3a_0}} \sin^2 \theta e^{-2i\phi}.$$

Find the quantum numbers  $n$ ,  $l$ ,  $m$  and parity.

- d) Let  $\phi_1$  &  $\phi_2$  be two orthogonal eigen functions with energy eigen values 1 eV and 3 eV. A particle is in a state  $\psi$  which is a super position of  $\phi_1$  &  $\phi_2$ . The average value of energy is 2eV. Find the probability of finding the particle in the states  $\phi_1$  &  $\phi_2$ .
- e) The quantum state of a two level system with energy (in eV) is given as  $\psi(\vec{r}, t) = 0.8\psi_1(\vec{r}) + 0.6e^{i\omega t}\psi_2(\vec{r})$ . What are the energy values of the two states? Find the outcome of energy measurements (with probability) on the system.
- f) A particle moving in one dimension is represented by a wave function  $\psi(x) = Ae^{-|x|}$ . Find the form of the potential in which the particle is moving.
- g) Consider two states  $|\phi_1\rangle$  and  $|\phi_2\rangle$  with  $|\phi_1\rangle|\phi_2\rangle = 0$ . Show that these two states remain orthogonal under unitary transformation.
- h) Write down simultaneous eigen functions of Hamiltonian and momentum for a free particle. Also construct simultaneous eigen functions of Hamiltonian and Parity for the free particle.

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2. i) Let  $\psi(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \cos \frac{\pi x}{a} & \text{for } |x| \leq \frac{a}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ .

Calculate the uncertainty product. 5

ii) Let  $\hat{A}$  &  $\hat{B}$  be two Hermitian operators, satisfying the eigen value equations:  $\hat{A}|u_n\rangle = a_n|u_n\rangle$  &  $\hat{B}|v_\mu\rangle = b_\mu|v_\mu\rangle$ . Find the transformation matrix which transforms the basis set  $|u_n\rangle$  &  $|v_\mu\rangle$ . Show that the transformation matrix is unitary. 3

iii) The ground state wave function for hydrogen in coordinate space  $\psi(r) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a_0^3}} e^{-\frac{r}{a_0}}$  where  $a_0 = \frac{\hbar^2}{me^2}$ . Calculate the momentum wave function. 2

3. a) Write down Heisenberg equation of motion for a free particle of mass  $m$  moving in three dimensions. Hence evaluate  $[x_i(t=0), x_j(t=0)]$ ;  $[x_i(t), x_j(t=0)]$  ( $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ ). 2+1+3

b) By what factors do the operators  $(x^2 p_x^2 + p_x^2 x)$  and  $\frac{1}{2}(x p_x + p_x x)^2$  differ? 4

**Group-B (Mark 20)**

Answer Q1, and any one out of Q2 and Q3:

Q1. Answer any five questions:

2x5=10

- a) Find the ratio  $\frac{c}{a}$  ( $c$ ,  $a$  have usual meanings) and the packing fraction of hexagonal close packed structure.
- b) Find the ratio of amplitudes of two types of atoms in a diatomic linear chain for acoustic and optical branches at  $K = 0$  and  $K = \frac{\pi}{2a}$  ( $2a =$  lattice constant)
- c) Show that the anharmonic interactions in crystal can explain thermal expansion of crystal.
- d) Derive the expression of the effective mass of an electron in an one-dimensional periodic potential. Just state the corresponding expression of reciprocal effective mass tensor in three dimension.
- e) Show that density of states becomes infinity at the zone boundary for a linear monoatomic lattice.
- f) Determine the value of cut-off frequency assuming a linear lattice whose inter-atomic distance is given  $3\text{\AA}$ , the velocity of sound in this solid =  $3 \text{ Km/sec}$ .
- g) In an assembly of  $10^{23}$  SHO each has frequency of  $10^{13}$  Hz. Calculate the mean energy of the system (ignoring zero point energy) at  $20 \text{ K}$ .

- viii) Define a screw axis. Give a diagram showing a  $z_1$ , screw axis. 2
2. a) Write the Bloch function for electron states in a periodic potential. Show that the Bloch function is not eigen function of the momentum operator, but it is eigen function of lattice translation operator  $T_{\vec{R}}$  ( $\vec{R}$  = a lattice vector). 4
- b) Find the total number of electron states in a band. Explain the differences between metals, semiconductors and insulators by band theory. Discuss also the overlapping of bands. 3
- c) What is empty lattice approximation? Obtain the low-lying free electron energy bands of empty simple cubic lattice. 3
3. a) What is Debye-Waller effect? Find an expression of Debye-Waller factor. 1+3
- b) Find the structure factor of a face centred cubic crystal and explain related conditions. 2
- c) Explain why silver metal obeys Dulong-Petit law at room temperature but the diamond does not. Assume Einstein frequencies are  $4 \times 10^{12}$  Hz for silver and  $2.4 \times 10^{13}$  Hz for diamond. 2
- d) What are meant by Normal process and Umklapp process? 2
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