

2015

PHYSICS

Paper : PHY 301

ADVANCED QUANTUM MECHANICS

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer the following

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- (a) Dirac - delta function $\delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$ can be written as - 1
- (i) $\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int e^{i\vec{p} \cdot (\vec{r}-\vec{r}')} d^3p$ (ii) $\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int e^{-i\vec{p} \cdot (\vec{r}-\vec{r}')} d^3p$
- (iii) $-\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int e^{-i\vec{p} \cdot (\vec{r}-\vec{r}')} d^3p$ (iv) $-\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int e^{i\vec{p} \cdot (\vec{r}-\vec{r}')} d^3p$
- (b) Klein-Gordon equation is applicable only for 1
- (i) Bosons (ii) Fermions (iii) Weakly interacting particles (iv) All of the above
- (c) The partial wave analysis method is more appropriate for the low energy scattering phenomena. 1
- (i) True (ii) False
- (d) In scattering problem, the Born approximation is applicable only for a weak potential. 1
- (i) True (ii) False

- (e) Dirac equation provides 1
- (i) Positive energy solution
- (ii) Negative energy solution
- (iii) Both the positive & negative energy solution
- (iv) None of the above
2. Answer the following (any five) $3 \times 5 = 15$
- (a) Discuss the canonical quantization procedure to quantize a classical system. 3
- Show that:
- (b) $\gamma^\mu \gamma^\mu = 4$ 3
- (c) $\gamma_\mu \not{A} \gamma^\mu = -2A$ 3
- (d) Prove that $(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{A})(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}) = (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}) + i\vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{A} \times \vec{B})$, where the symbols have their usual meanings. 3
- (e) Briefly discuss the Dirac hole theory. 3
- (f) Establish Dirac equation in presence of electromagnetic field. 3
3. Answer the following (any three) $3 \times 5 = 15$
- (a) Show how one can go from an 1-D discrete system to a continuous field system and derive the corresponding field equation. 5
- (b) 650 MeV π^0 are scattered from a heavy and totally

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- absorbing nucleus of radius 1.4 fm.
- (i) Estimate the total elastic and inelastic cross-sections.
- (ii) Calculate the scattering amplitude and check the validity of the optical theorem. 2+3
- (c) Using Dirac equation, obtain an expression for probability density and current density using the equation of continuity, 5
- $$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0$$
- (d) Calculate the differential cross-section in the first Born approximation for a Coulomb potential $V(r) = z_1 z_2 \frac{e^2}{r}$, where $z_1 e$ and $z_2 e$ are the charges of the projectile and target particle respectively. 5
- (e) Write short note on the Schrödinger's Cat paradox. 5
4. Answer the following (any three) $3 \times 5 = 15$
- (a) Quantize free electromagnetic field and arrive at the expressions for second quantized form of the field operator and the total energy operator. 10
- (b) Why do we impose Coulomb (radiation) gauge in the above quantization? Why does one need to use transverse Kronecker delta in the ETCR of e.m. field in radiation gauge? 5
5. (a) Using partial wave analysis method prove the optical theorem: (3)

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$$\sigma_t = \frac{4\pi}{k} \text{Im}f(0)$$

where the symbols have their usual meanings. 10

- (b) Consider the elastic scattering of 100 MeV neutrons from a nucleus. The phase shifts measured in the experiment are $\delta_0 = 60^\circ$, $\delta_1 = 45^\circ$ and $\delta_2 = 30^\circ$ and all other phase shifts are negligible i.e. $\delta_l = 0$ for $l \geq 3$. Calculate the total scattering cross-section. 5

6. (a) Using Green's function method, derive the expression for differential scattering cross-section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left| \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}'} u(\vec{r}') \psi(\vec{r}') d^3r' \right|^2$$

where the symbols have their usual meanings. 10

- (b) Using first order Born approximation, compute the expression for differential scattering cross-section in case of an elastic collision. Take the potential to be spherically symmetric. 5

7. (a) What do you mean by Lorentz covariance? Show that the Dirac equation is invariant under Lorentz transformation. 9

- (b) Establish the following relation

$$\text{Tr}(\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\alpha \gamma^\beta) = 4 [g^{\mu\nu} g^{\alpha\beta} - g^{\mu\alpha} g^{\nu\beta} + g^{\mu\beta} g^{\nu\alpha}] \quad 6$$