



**LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034**

**M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – PHYSICS**

**FOURTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2015**

**PH 4810 - QUANTUM MECHANICS - II**

Date : 15/04/2015  
Time : 09:00-12:00

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

**PART A**

Answer **ALL** questions:

**10 x 2 = 20 marks**

- 1 Which of the following transitions are electric dipole allowed
  - a.  $1s \rightarrow 2s$
  - b.  $1s \rightarrow 2p$
- 2 Write the principle of LASER.
- 3 A muon is travelling through the laboratory with three-fifth the velocity of light. How long does it last? (Life time of muon is  $2 \times 10^{-6}$ s).
- 4 Calculate the velocity of an elementary particle whose mass is 10 times its rest mass.
- 5 If  $\alpha$  is a Dirac matrix, prove that  $\alpha_x = \frac{1}{2} [\alpha_x \alpha_y, \alpha_y]$
- 6 Write a short note on Lamb shift.
- 7 What is symmetry transformation?
- 8 Illustrate exchange degeneracy with example.
- 9 Describe Bremsstrahlung and pair production.
- 10 Draw the Feynman diagrams corresponding to positron creation and annihilation.

**PART B**

Answer **ANY FOUR** questions

**4x7.5=30 marks**

- 11 Obtain the condition under which stimulated emission equals spontaneous emission. If the temperature of the source is 500K, at what wavelength will both the emissions be equal?
- 12 (a) Discuss the invariant interval in detail. **(3 marks)**  
(b) Two events occurring at the same place in an interval frame are separated by a time interval of 4 secs. What is the spatial difference between these two events in an interval frame in which the events are separated by a time interval of 6 secs. **(4.5 marks)**
- 13 Show that  $(\alpha \cdot A)(\alpha \cdot B) = (A \cdot B) + i\sigma'(A \times B)$  where A and B commute with  $\alpha$  and  $\sigma' = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma \end{bmatrix}$
- 14 Prove that the operator  $c\alpha$ , where  $\alpha$  stands for Dirac matrix can be interpreted as the velocity operator.
- 15 List and explain the configuration space rules for Feynman graphs.
- 16 Discuss the work-energy theorem in relativity.

**PART – C**

Answer any **FOUR** questions:

**4 x 12.5 = 50 marks**

- 17 Discuss the time dependent perturbation theory with reference to harmonic perturbation and obtain an expression for transition probability.
- 18 (a) Explain the salient features of Minkowski's space time diagram.  
(b) Two lumps of clay each of mass (rest)  $m$ , collide head – on at  $3/5 c$ . They stick together. What is the mass ( $m$ ) of the composite lump? **(6.5 +6)**
- 19 Show that Dirac equation gives positive and negative energy solutions. Explain pair production and pair annihilation in the energy spectrum of a free Dirac particle.
- 20 (a)  $N$  non-interacting Bosons are in an infinite potential well defined by  $v(x) = 0$  for  $0 < x < a$ ,  $v(x) = \infty$  for  $x < 0$  and for  $x > a$ . Find the ground state energy of the system. What would be the ground state energy if the particles are fermions? **(6 marks)**  
(b) Prove that the parity of spherical harmonics  $Y_{l,m}(\theta, \phi)$  is  $(-1)^l$ . **(6 marks)**
- 21 Discuss the procedure for quantization of complex scalar field. From the discussion explain the annihilation, creation and particle number operators.
- 22 (a) Explain Compton's scattering and find an expression for the change in wavelength of the scattered X- ray beam.  
(b) Discuss the effect of time reversal in the time – dependent Schrodinger equation. **(7.5 +5)**

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