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M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – PHYSICS

FOURTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2017

PH 4810- QUANTUM MECHANICS - II

Date: 18-04-2017
09:00-12:00

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Max. : 100 Marks

PART A

Answer ALL questions:

10 x 2 = 20 marks

1. Write a note on Rabi cycle.
2. Write the condition under which stimulated emission equals spontaneous emission.
3. Write down the expression for the kinetic energy of a relativistic particle and verify that it reduces to $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$ when the speed of the particle $v \ll c$, the speed of light
4. State work-energy theorem.
5. Write down the Dirac matrices in terms of the (2x2) Pauli spin matrices and unit matrix
6. Write a short note on Lamb Shift.
7. Show that the Eigen values of a particle exchange operator are ± 1 .
8. Distinguish between parahelium and orthohelium.
9. What do you understand by a field?
10. Write a short note on Mollar scattering.

PART B

Answer ANY FOUR questions

4x7.5= 30 marks

11. A system in an unperturbed state n is suddenly subjected to a constant perturbation $H(r)$ which exists during time 0 to t . Find the probability for transition from state n to state k and show it varies simple harmonically with,
Angular frequency = $\frac{E_k - E_n}{2\hbar}$ and Amplitude = $4 \frac{|H_{kn}|^2}{(E_k - E_n)^2}$
12. (a) If a particle's kinetic energy is n times its rest energy, what is its velocity? (b) Two events occurring at the same place in an inertial frame are separated by a time interval of 6 secs. What is the spatial separation between these two events in an inertial frame in which the events are separated by time interval of 4 secs. (4+3.5)
13. For a Dirac particle moving in a central potential, show that the orbital angular momentum is not a constant of motion.
14. The base vectors of a representation are $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Construct a transformation matrix U for transformation to another representation having the base vectors $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ i \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$. Also show that the matrix is unitary.
15. Describe in detail the quantization of a real scalar field.
16. Explain in detail the structure of Spacetime.

PART – C

Answer any **FOUR** questions:

4 x 12.5 = 50 marks

17. Discuss the time dependent perturbation theory with reference to sinusoidal perturbation and obtain an expression for transition probability.
18. (a) A pion at rest decays into a muon and a neutrino. Find the energy of the outgoing muon in terms of the two masses, m_π and m_μ (assume $m_\nu=0$). Also find the velocity of the outgoing muon.
- (b) Two lumps of clay, each of rest mass (m), collide head-on at $\frac{3}{5}c$ if they stick together, what is the mass (M) of the composite lump? (8+4.5)
19. If $\vec{\alpha}$ and β are Dirac matrices prove that
- $\alpha_x = \frac{1}{2} [\alpha_x \alpha_y, \alpha_y]$
 - $\alpha_x \alpha_y \alpha_z = \frac{1}{2} [\alpha_x \alpha_y \alpha_z \beta, \beta]$
 - Trace $(\vec{\alpha} \cdot B) (\vec{\alpha} \cdot C) = 4 B \cdot C$ [3+3+6.5]
- 20.(a) Explain how symmetric and antisymmetric wave functions are constructed from unsymmetrized solution of the Schrodinger equation of a system of indistinguishable particles. (b) If $\psi_+(r)$ and $\psi_-(r)$ are the Eigen functions of the parity operator belonging to even and odd Eigen states, show that they are orthogonal. [6+6.5]
21. What do you understand by Feynman's diagram? What are the rules followed in these diagrams?
22. Klein-Gordon equation is considered as a relativistic equation for a system of arbitrary number of particles and their antiparticles. Why?

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