



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

**B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – PHYSICS**

**FIFTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2017**

**PH 5510- QUANTUM MECHANICS AND RELATIVITY**

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Max. : 100 Marks

**PART-A**

Answer **ALL** the questions

**(10x2=20)**

- 1) Write the photoelectric equation and explain the terms.
- 2) If the Bohr radius is  $0.5 \text{ \AA}$ , in an hydrogen atom. What is the radius of the second excited State?
- 3) Define Group velocity.
- 4) State the Born's interpretation of the wave function.
- 5) What are stationary states?
- 6) State the selection rules for allowed transitions.
- 7) How does the velocity and acceleration transform under Galilean transformation?
- 8) State the postulates of special theory of relativity.
- 9) Find the relativistic kinetic energy of an electron moving with  $v = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} c$ . Given the rest mass of electron is 0.5 Mev.
- 10) State equivalence principle in general theory of relativity.

**PART-B**

Answer any **FOUR** questions

**(4x7.5=30)**

- 11) Describe Davisson-Germer experiment.
- 12) State the postulates of quantum mechanics.
- 13) Explain the theory of  $\alpha$ -decay, through the theory of barrier penetration, and obtain the Geiger-Nuttal law.
- 14) From the Lorentz transformation obtain the relativistic velocity transformation rule. When does it reduce to the Galilean velocity addition rule? If two particles are moving with  $0.75c$ , each, in opposite directions; what is the relative speed of one with the other?
- 15) Explain gravitational red shift.
- 16) Derive Einstein's mass-energy relation. Give the mass equivalent of 0.51 Mev.

## PART-C

Answer any **FOUR** questions

(4x12.5=50)

17) a) Obtain an expression for the change in the wave length of a scattered photon, in Compton effect.

b) Using Heisenberg's uncertainty relation argue that an electron cannot be inside a nucleus.

18) a) Normalize the wave function  $\varphi_n = A \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)$ ;  $0 \leq x \leq L$ .

b) Prove that the eigen values of a hermitian operator are real and the eigen functions corresponding to distinct eigen values are orthogonal.

19) a) Obtain the eigen values of a one dimensional harmonic oscillator, by solving the Schrodinger's equation.

b) Is  $\psi = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}\varphi_1 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}\varphi_2$  a possible state of the oscillator? Where  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are the first and second excited states of the oscillator. Give reason.

20) a) Derive the Lorentz transformation.

b) What is the life time of a mu-meson travelling at a speed of 0.8c. If it's proper life time is  $2 \times 10^{-6}$  sec. (c-speed of light).

21) Discuss the following: a) Bending of light, b) Gravitational lensing and c) Precision of perihelion of Mercury.

22) State and prove Ehrenfest's theorems.

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