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B.Sc.DEGREE EXAMINATION -PHYSICS

FIFTH SEMESTER - APRIL 2018

PH 5510- QUANTUM MECHANICS AND RELATIVITY

Date: 27-04-2018 Dept. No. Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00-12:00

PART A (10X 2 = 20 marks) Answer ALL questions

- 1. Determine the de Broglie wavelength of an electron of energy 1eV.
- 2. State Heisenberg's uncertainty principle.
- 3. Define Hermitian operator.
- 4. Write the time dependent form of Schrodinger's equation.
- 5. What are eigen functions and eigen values of the operator $-i\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$?
- 6. Evaluate $[L_x, L_y]$.
- 7. Define inertial and non -inertial frames of reference.
- 8. A rod 1 m long is moving along its length with a velocity 0.9c.Calculate its length as it appears to an observer on the earth.
- 9. State equivalence principle in general relativity.
- 10. Explain variation of mass with velocity.

PART B $(4 \times 7.5 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Answer any FOUR questions.

- 11. Explain the distribution of energy in the spectrum of a black body.
- 12. Obtain the equation for the conservation of probability density.
- 13. Establish Schrodinger's equation for a linear harmonic oscillator and solve it to obtain its eigen values and eigen functions..
- 14. Discuss length contraction and time dilation..
- 15. Derive Einstein's mass energy relation..
- 16. Describe Davisson and Germer experiments for the study of electron diffraction...

PART C $4 \times 12.5 = 50$)

Answer any FOUR questions

- 17. (i)Explain the principle and working of an electron microscope. (ii) Outline an idealised experiment to bring out the significance of Heisenberg's uncertainty principle.
- 18. State and prove Ehernfest's theorem
- 19. Deduce expressions for the Eigen values of the square of the total angular momentum and its z component.
- 20. Describe the Michelson- Morley experiment. Explain the physical significance of negative results.
- 21. What is general theory of relativity? Discuss the important conclusions derived from it. Explain gravitational red shift.
- 22. With necessary theory explain alpha decay quantum mechanically.
