

(2½ Hours)

[Total Marks :60

- N.B. :** (1) All questions are compulsory.
 (2) **Figures** to the **right** indicate **full** marks.
 (3) **Symbols** have usual meaning unless otherwise **stated**.
 (4) Use of **non-programmable** calculator is allowed.

1. (a) Attempt any **one**:---

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- (i) What are Clebsch-Gordan coefficients?
 Calculate the Clebsch-Gordon coefficients for addition of angular momenta $\vec{J}_1 = 1/2$ and $\vec{J}_2 = 1/2$.
 (ii) $|s, m_s\rangle$ is the simultaneous eigenstates of \hat{S}^2 and \hat{S}_z . Find the matrix representation of operators \hat{S}_x , \hat{S}_y and \hat{S}_z in this basis.

(b) Attempt any **one**:---

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- (i) Find the matrix representations of \hat{J}^2 , \hat{J}_z and \hat{J}_x for $j = 1$ in the $|j, m\rangle$ basis.
 (ii) A spin-1/2 particle is in the state

$$\chi = A \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 2i \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

A) Determine A.

B) What are the probabilities of getting $+\hbar/2$ and $-\hbar/2$ if you measure S_z ?2. (a) Attempt any **one**:---

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- (i) Explain time independent perturbation theory for non-degenerate states. Obtain the first order perturbation correction to the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions.
 (ii) A system described by a Hamiltonian $\hat{H}_0(\vec{r})$ with known solution set $\{E_n, \psi_n(\vec{r}, t)\}$. Initially ($t \rightarrow -\infty$) the system is in the state $\psi_l(\vec{r}, t)$ subjected to a time dependent perturbation $\hat{H}'(\vec{r}, t) = V(\vec{r})f(t)$. Obtain the probability of transition of the system from the state $\psi_l(\vec{r}, t)$ to $\psi_k(\vec{r}, t)$ in time t .

(b) Attempt any **one**:---

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- (i) The energy eigenfunctions for the infinite square well of width a is:

$$\psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right).$$

Find the first order correction to the energies and eigenfunctions for the perturbation:

$$H' = V_0, \quad 0 < x < \frac{a}{2}$$

$$= 0, \quad \frac{a}{2} < x < a$$

(ii) Explain Fermi's Golden rule.

3. (a) Attempt any **one**:---

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(i) Use the variational method to estimate the ground state energy of a particle of mass m in the potential given by

$$V(x) = \infty, \quad x \leq 0 \\ = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2, \quad x > 0$$

Take $\psi(x) = A x e^{-\alpha x^2}$ as the trial wave function where α is the variational parameter and A is the normalization constant.

$$\text{Given: } \int_0^\infty x^{2n} e^{-\beta x^2} dx = \frac{(2n)! \sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2n+1} n! \beta^{(2n+1)/2}}$$

(ii) Use WKB approximation to find the tunneling probability through a potential barrier.

(b) Attempt any **one**:---

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(i) Show that variational method gives the upper bound of the ground state energy.

(ii) Obtain energy eigenvalues of harmonic oscillator using WKB approximation.

4. (a) Attempt any **one**:---

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(i) Derive the expression of scattering amplitude using partial wave analysis.

(ii) Calculate the differential cross-section in the Born approximation for the potential $V(r) = \frac{V_0}{r} e^{-(r/a)}$. Also calculate the total cross-section.

(b) Attempt any **one**:---

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(i) Calculate the total cross-section for low energy (S-wave) scattering of a particle of mass m from the following potential

$$V(r) = -V_0, \quad r < r_0 \\ = 0, \quad r > r_0$$

(ii) Discuss the validity conditions of Born approximation.

5. Attempt any **four**:---

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(a) Show that the components of Pauli spin matrices $\hat{\sigma}$ anticommute.

(b) Calculate: A) $[\hat{f}_x, \hat{f}_y]$ B) $[\hat{f}^2, \hat{f}_y]$

(c) A hydrogen atom is in a constant uniform electric field ' E ' that points in the z direction. Calculate the first order correction to the ground state energy of the atom.

$$\text{Given: Unperturbed ground state of hydrogen atom is } \phi_{100}(r) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi} a_0^{3/2}} e^{-(r/a_0)}$$

- (d) A particle is initially in its ground state in a one-dimensional harmonic potential. A perturbation, $H' = V_0 \hat{x} e^{-t/\tau}$ is turned on at $t = 0$. Calculate the probability that the particle will be found in its first excited state after a sufficiently long time ($t \rightarrow \infty$).
- (e) Use WKB approximation to estimate the transmission coefficient of a particle of mass m and energy E , ($E < V_0$) moving through the following potential barrier
- $$V(x) = 0, \quad x < 0$$
- $$= V_0 - \lambda x, \quad x > 0$$
- (f) Explain briefly the Rayleigh Ritz method using a linear combination of fixed basis function ψ_i as trial wave function and treat the expansion coefficient as variable parameter.
- (g) Explain optical theorem.
- (h) What is scattering amplitude? How is it related to scattering cross section?