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DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCES, M. Sc. (P/C/M/G)  
II SEMESTER END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS  
JUNE 2017

Subject: Quantum Mechanics II (PHY-606)  
(REVISED CREDIT SYSTEM)

Time: 3 Hours

Date: June 2017

MAX. MARKS: 50

Note: (i) Answer any five full questions.  
(ii) Answer the questions to the point.

1. (i) If the eigenvalues of  $J^2$  and  $J_z$  are given by  $J^2|\lambda, m\rangle = \lambda|\lambda, m\rangle$  and  $J_z|\lambda, m\rangle = m|\lambda, m\rangle$ . For the simultaneous eigenvector of  $J^2$  and  $J_z$ ,  $|\lambda, m\rangle$  show  $\lambda \geq m^2$ . Take  $\hbar = 1$ . [3]  
(ii) Show that  $\vec{L} \times \vec{L} = i\vec{L}$ . [4]  
(iii) Determine the orbital momenta of two electrons in the configuration  $p^1d^1$ . [3]
2. (i) Calculate the energy correction due to spin-orbit coupling for hydrogen atom. [5]  
(ii) Given the matrix for  $H^0$  and  $H'$  as  $\begin{pmatrix} E_0 & 0 \\ 0 & E_0 \end{pmatrix}$   $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -A \\ -A & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  in the orthonormal basis  $|1\rangle$  and  $|2\rangle$ , determine the  
(a) energy eigenvalues [2]  
and (b) energy eigenfunctions. [3]
3. (i) The result of the variational method always gives an upper limit for the ground state energy of the system. Why? [4]  
(ii) Use the WKB method to calculate the transmission coefficient for the potential barrier

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} V_0 - ax, & x > 0; \\ 0, & x < 0. \end{cases} \quad [6]$$

4. (i) Use time dependent perturbation theory to obtain an expression for the transition in first order approximation. [5]  
(ii) Calculate the electric dipole transition moment  $\langle 2p_z | \mu_z | 2s \rangle$  for the  $2s \rightarrow 2p_z$  transition in a hydrogen atom. [5]
5. (i) Obtain the expression of differential scattering cross-section in terms of beam luminosity. [4]

(ii) In scattering from a potential  $V(\mathbf{r})$ ; the wave function  $\psi(r)$  is written as an incident plane wave plus an outgoing scattered wave:  $\psi = \exp(ikz) + f(r)$ . Derive a differential equation for  $f(r)$  in the first Born approximation. [6]

6. (i) Explain how the KG equation leads to positive and negative probability density values? [5]

(ii) Obtain the plane wave solutions of the Dirac equation. [5]

Useful formulae:

$$\nabla^2 t = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial t}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial t}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 t}{\partial \phi^2}$$

$$\int_0^\infty \exp(-a^2 x^2) \cos(bx) dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2a} \exp\left(-\frac{b^2}{4a^2}\right)$$

$$\int_0^\infty x^n \exp(-ax) dx = \frac{n!}{a^{n+1}}, \quad \text{where } n \geq 0, \quad a > 0$$

For hydrogen atom:

$$\psi_{1s} = \left( \frac{1}{\pi a_0^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{a_0}\right)$$

$$\psi_{2s} = \left( \frac{1}{32\pi a_0^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( 2 - \frac{r}{a_0} \right) \exp\left(-\frac{r}{2a_0}\right)$$

$$\psi_{2p_z} = \left( \frac{1}{32\pi a_0^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{r}{a_0} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{2a_0}\right) \cos \theta$$