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GATE - 2014

Q.1-Q.25 carry one mark each.

Q1 The unit vector perpendicular to the surface $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3$ at the point (1, 1, 1) is (a) $\frac{\hat{x} + \hat{y} - \hat{z}}{\sqrt{3}}$ (b) $\frac{\hat{x} - \hat{y} - \hat{z}}{\sqrt{3}}$ (c) $\frac{\hat{x} - \hat{y} + \hat{z}}{\sqrt{3}}$ (d) $\frac{\hat{x} + \hat{y} + \hat{z}}{\sqrt{3}}$ Q2. Which one of the following quantities is invariant under Lorentz transformation?

(a) charge density (b) Charge (c) Current (d)Electric field

- Q3. The number of normal Zeeman splitting components of ${}^{1}P \rightarrow D$ transition is (a) 3 (b)4 (c)8 (d) 9
- Q4. If the half -life of an elementary particle moving with speed 0.9c in the laboratory frame is $5 \times 10^{-8} s$, then the proper half-life is _____ $\times 10^{-8} s.(c = 3 \times 10^{8} m/s)$
- Q5. An unpolarized light wave is incident from air on a glass surface at the Brewster angle. The angle between the reflected and the refracted wave is
 - (a) 0° (b) 45° (c) 90° (d) 120°
- Q6. Two masses *m* and 3*m* are attached to the two ends of a massless spring with force constant *K*. If m = 100g and K = 0.3N/m, then the natural angular frequency of oscillation is ______ Hz
- Q7. The electric filed of a uniform plane wave propagating in a dielectric non-conducting medium is given by $\vec{E} = x10\cos(6\pi \times 10^7 t 0.4\pi z)V/m$. The phase velocity of the wave is ______10⁸ m/s
- Q8. The matrix

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i \\ 1-i & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is

(a) orthogonal (b) symmetric

(c) anti-symmetric

(d) Unitary

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Q9. The recoil momentum of an atom is p_A when it emits an infrared photon of wavelength 1500*nm*, and it is p_B when it emits a photon of visible wavelength 500*nm*. The ratio $\frac{p_A}{p_B}$ is
(a) 1:1
(b) $1:\sqrt{3}$ (c) 1:3(d) 3:2Q10. For a gas under isothermal condition its pressure p varies with volume V as $P \propto V^{-5/3}$.
The bulk modules B is proportional to

(a)
$$V^{-1/2}$$
 (b) $V^{-2/3}$ (c) $V^{-3/5}$ (d) $V^{-5/3}$

Q11. Which one of the following high energy processes is allowed by conservation laws?

(a)
$$p + \overline{p} \rightarrow A^{\circ} + A^{\circ}$$

(b) $\pi^{-} + p \rightarrow \pi^{\circ} + m$
(c) $n \rightarrow p + e^{-} + V_{e}$
(d) $\mu^{+} \rightarrow e^{+} + \gamma$

Q12. The length element ds of an arc is given by, $(ds)^2 = 2(ds^1)^2 + (dx^2)^2 + \sqrt{3}dx^1dx^2$. The metric tensor g_{ij} is

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & \sqrt{3} \\ \sqrt{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$
(d) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \\ \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Q13. The ground state and first excited state wave function of a one dimensional infinite potential well are ψ_1 and ψ_2 respectively. When two spin-up electrons are placed in this potential which one of the following with x_1 and x_2 denoting the position of the two electrons correctly represents the space part of the ground state wave function of the system?

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(a) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_1(x_1)\psi_2(x_1) - \psi_1(x_2)\psi_2(x_2)]$	(b) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_1(x_1)\psi_2(x_2) + \psi_1(x_2)\psi_2(x_1)]$
(c) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_1(x_1)\psi_2(x_1) + \psi_1(x_2)\psi_2(x_2)]$	$(d\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[\psi_1(x_1)\psi_2(x_2)-\psi_1(x_2)\psi_2(x_1)])$

Q14. If the vector potential $\vec{A} = \alpha x \hat{x} + 2y \hat{y} - 3z \hat{z}$, satisfies the Coulomb gauge, the value of the constant α is _____

Q15. At a given temperature T, the average energy per particle of a non-interacting gas of two-dimensional classical harmonic oscillators is $____k_BT$ (k_B is the Boltzmann constant)

Q16. which one of the following is a fermion? (a) α particle (b) $_4Be^2$ nucleus (c) Hydrogen atom (d) deuteron

Q17. which one of the following three-quark states (qqq) denoted by X. CANNOT be a possible baryon? The corresponding electric charge is indicated in the superscript.

(a) X^{++} (b) X^{+} (c) X^{-} (d) X^{--}

Q18. The Hamilton's canonical equation of motion in terms of Poisson Brackets are

(a) $\dot{q} = \{q, H\}; \dot{p} = \{p, H\}$ (b) $\dot{q} = \{H, q\}; \dot{p} = \{H, p\}$ (c) $\dot{q} = \{H, p\}; \dot{p} = \{H, p\}$ (d) $\dot{q} = \{p, H\}; \dot{p} = \{q, H\}$

Q19. The Miller indices of a plane passing through the three points having coordinates (0, 0, 1)

$(1,0,0)\left(\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{4}\right)$ are			
(a) (212)	(b)(111)	(c) (121)	(d) (211)

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Q20. The plot of specifies heat versus temperature across the superconducting transition temperature (T_c) is most appropriately represented by



- If \vec{L} is the orbital angular momentum and \vec{S} is the spin angular momentum, then $\vec{L}.\vec{S}$ Q21. does not commute with
 - $(d)\left(\vec{L}+\vec{S}\right)^2$ (b) L^2 (c) S^{2} (a) S_{z}

The energy ε_k for band electrons as a function of the wave vector k in the first Brillouin Q22.

zone $\left(-\frac{\pi}{a} \le k \le \frac{\pi}{a}\right)$ of a one dimensional monatomic lattice is shown as (a is lattice $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}_k$ constant) $\frac{1}{-\pi/a}$ > k0

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 π/a



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The variation of the group velocity v_k is most appropriately represented by



Q23. for a free electron gas in two dimensions the variations of the density of states. N(E) as a function of energy E, is best represented by



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Q24. The input given to an ideal OP-AMP integrator circuit is



Q25. The minimum number of flip-flops required to construct a mod-75 counter is

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Q26. A bead of mass *m* can slide without friction along a massless rod kept at 45° with the vertical as shown in the figure. The rod is rotating about the vertical axis with a constant angular speed ω . At any instant *r* is the distance of the bead from the origin. The momentum conjugate to *r* is



Q27. An electron in the ground state of the hydrogen atom has the wave function

$$\psi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a_0^3}} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{a_0}\right)}$$

where a_0 is constant. The expectation value of the operator $\hat{Q} = z^2 - r^2$, where $z = r \cos \theta$ is

(Hint:
$$\int_0^\infty e^{-ar} r^n dr = \frac{r(n)}{a^{n+1}} = \frac{(n-1)!}{a^{n+1}}$$
)
(a) $\frac{-a_0^2}{2}$ (b) $-a_0^2$ (c) $\frac{-3a_0^2}{2}$ (d) $-2a_0^2$

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Q29. A particle of mass m is in a potential given by

$$V(r) = \frac{a}{r} + \frac{ar_n^2}{3r^2}$$

when a and r are positive constants. When disturbed slightly from its stable equilibrium position it undergoes a simple harmonic oscillation. The time period of oscillation is

(a)
$$2\pi \sqrt{\frac{mr_0^3}{2a}}$$
 (b) $2\pi \sqrt{\frac{mr_0^3}{a}}$ (c) $2\pi \sqrt{\frac{2mr_0^3}{a}}$ (d) $4\pi \sqrt{\frac{mr_0^3}{a}}$

Q30. The donar concentration in a sample of n-type silicon is increased by a factor of 100. the shift in the position of the Fermi level at 300K. assuming the sample to non degenerate is ______meV

$$(k_B T = 25 meV at 300K)$$

Q31. A particle of mass m is subjected to a potential

$$V(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^{2}(x^{2} + y^{2}), -\infty \le x \le \infty, -\infty \le y \le \infty$$

The state with energy $4\hbar\omega$ is g – fold degenerate. The value of g is_____

Q32. A hydrogen atom is in the state

$$\psi = \sqrt{\frac{8}{21}}\psi_{200} - \sqrt{\frac{3}{7}}\psi_{310} + \sqrt{\frac{4}{21}}\psi_{321}'$$

where n, l, m in ψ_{nlm} denote the principal. Orbit and magnetic quantum numbers, respectively. If \vec{L} is the angular momentum operator, the average value of L^2 is ______ \hbar^2

Q33. A planet of mass *m* moves in a circular orbit of radius r_0 in the gravitational potential

 $V(r) = -\frac{k}{r}$, where k is a positive constant. The orbit angular momentum of the planet is

(a) $2r_0 km$ (b) $\sqrt{2r_0 km}$ (c) $r_0 km$ (d) $\sqrt{r_0 km}$

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Q34. The moment of inertia of a rigid diatomic molecule *A* is 6 times that of another rigid diatomic molecule *B*. If the rotational energies of the two molecules are equal, then the corresponding values of the rotational quantum numbers J_A and J_B are

(a)
$$J_A = 2, J_B = 1$$
 (b) $J_A = 3, J_B = 1$

- (c) $J_A = 5, J_B = 0$ (d) $J_A = 6, J_B = 1$
- Q35. The value of the integral

$$\oint_C \frac{z^2}{e^z + 1} dz$$

where *C* is the circle |z| = 4, is

(a)
$$2\pi i$$
 (b) $2\pi^2 i$ (c) $4\pi^3 i$ (d) $4\pi^2 i$

Q36. A ray of light inside Region 1 in the xy-plane is incident at the semicircular boundary that carries no free charges. The electric field at the point $P\left(r_0\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ in plane polar coordinates is $\vec{E}_1 = 7\hat{e}_r - 3\hat{e}_{\varphi}$, where \hat{e}_r and \hat{e}_{φ} are the unit vectors. The emerging ray in Region 2 has the electric field \vec{E}_2 parallel to x-axis. If ε_1 and ε_2 are the dielectric constants of Region 1 and Region 2 respectively then $\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_1}$ is



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Q37. The solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} - y = 0$$

subject to the boundary conditions y(0) = 1 and $y(\infty) = 0$ is

- (a) $\cos t + \sin t$ (b) $\cosh t + \sinh t$
- (c) $\cos t \sin t$ (d) $\cosh t \sin t$
- Q38. Given that the linear transformation of a generalized coordinate q and the corresponding momentum p,

$$Q = q + 4ap$$
$$P = q + 2p$$

is canonical, the value of the constant *a* is ______

Q39. The value of the magnetic field required to maintain non-relativistic protons of energy 1MeV in a circular orbit of radius 100mm is_____Tesla (Given: $m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} kg.e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} C$)

Q40. For a system of two bosons each of which can occupy any of the two energy levels 0and

ε the mean energy of the system at temperature T v	with $\beta = \frac{1}{k_{\beta}T}$ is given by
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(a)	$\frac{\varepsilon e^{-\beta \varepsilon} + 2 \varepsilon e^{-2\beta \varepsilon}}{1 + 2 e^{-\beta \varepsilon} + e^{-2\beta \varepsilon}}$	(b) $\frac{1+\varepsilon e^{-\beta \varepsilon}}{2e^{-\beta \varepsilon}+e^{-2\beta \varepsilon}}$
(c)	$\frac{2\varepsilon e^{-\beta\varepsilon} + \varepsilon e^{-2\beta\varepsilon}}{2 + e^{-\beta\varepsilon} + e^{-2\beta\varepsilon}}$	(d) $\frac{\varepsilon e^{-\beta \varepsilon} + 2\varepsilon e^{-2\beta \varepsilon}}{2 + e^{-\beta \varepsilon} + e^{-2\beta \varepsilon}}$

Q41. In an interference pattern formed by two coherent sources, the maximum and minimum of the intensities are $9I_0$ and I_0 , respectively. The intensities of the individual wave are

(a)
$$3I_0$$
 and I_0 (b) $4I_0$ and I_0

(c) $5I_0$ and $4I_0$ (d) $9I_0$ and I_0

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Q42. ψ_1 and ψ_2 are two orthogonal states of a spin $\frac{1}{2}$ system. It is given that

$$\psi_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ represent the spin-up and spin-down states, respectively. When the

system is in the state ψ_2 its probability to be in the spin-up state is _____

- Q43. Neutrons moving with speed $10^3 m/s$ are used for the determination of crystal structure. If the Bragg angle for the first order diffraction is 30° the interplannar spacing of the crystal is _____ $\stackrel{0}{A}$ (Given: $m_n = 1.675 \times 10^{27} kg h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} J.s$)
- Q44. The Hamiltonian of particle of mass *m* is given by $H = \frac{p^2}{2m} \frac{\alpha q^2}{2}$ which one of the following figure describes the motion of the particle in phase space?
 - (a)





(c)





(b)



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Q45. The intensity of a laser in free space is $150mW/m^2$. The corresponding amplitude of the electric field of the laser is $\frac{V}{m} = \left(\varepsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} C^2 / N.m^2\right)$

The emission wavelength for the transition $D_2 \rightarrow F_3$ is 3122 [']. The ratio of population of Q46. the final to the initial states temperature 5000*K* is at а $(h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} J.s, c = 3 \times 10^8 m/s k_B = 1.380 \times 10^{-23} J/K)$ (a) 2.03×10^{-5} (b) 4.02×10^{-5} (c) 7.02×10^{-5} (d) 9.83×10^{-5}

- Q47. Consider a system of 3 fermions which can occupy any of the 4 available energy states with equal probability. The entropy of the system is
 - (a) $k_B \ln 2$ (b) $2k_B \ln 2$ (c) $2k_B \ln 4$ (d) $3k_B \ln 4$
- Q48. A particle is confined to a one dimensional potential box, with the potential

$$V(x) = 0, \quad 0 < x < a$$

= ∞ , otherwise

If particle is subjected to a perturbation within the box. $W = \beta x$. Where β is small constant, the first order correction to the ground state energy is

(a) 0 (b) $a\beta/4$ (c) $a\beta/2$ (d) $a\beta$

Q49. consider the process $\mu^+ + \mu \rightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^-$. The minimum kinetic energy of the muons (μ) in the centre of mass frame required to produce the pion (π) pairs at rest is ______ *Mev*.

Q50. A one dimensional harmonic oscillator is in the superposition of number state $|n\rangle$ given

by
$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{2}|2\rangle + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}|3\rangle$$

The average energy of the oscillator in the given state is $\hbar\omega$.

Q51. A nucleus X undergoes a first forbidden β -decay to nucleus Y. If the angular momentum (I) and parity (P), denoted by I^P as $\frac{7}{2}$ for X which of the following is a possible I^P value for Y?

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(a)
$$\frac{1^+}{2}$$
 (b) $\frac{1^-}{2}$ (c) $\frac{3^+}{2}$ (d) $\frac{3^-}{2}$

Q52. The current gain of the transistor in the following circuit is $\beta_{dc} = 100$. The value of



- Q53. In order to measure a maximum of 1V with a resolution of 1mV using a n-bit $\frac{A}{D}$ converter working under the principle of ladder network the minimum value of n is
- Q54. If L_+ and L_- are the angular momentum ladder operators then the expectation value of $(L_+L_- + L_-L_+)$ in the state $|l = 1, m = 1\rangle$ of an atom is _____ħ
- Q55. A low pass liter is formed by a resistance *R* and a capacitance *C*. At the cut-off angular frequency $\omega_c = \frac{1}{RC}$, the voltage gain and the phase of the output voltage relative to the input voltage respectively are (a) 0.71 and 45° (b) 0.71 and -45°
 - (c) $0.5 \text{ and } -90^{\circ}$ (d) $0.5 \text{ and } 90^{\circ}$

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Q.1-Q.5 carry one mark each.

Q1.	A student is required to demonstrate a h	igh level of <u>comprehension</u> of the subject,				
	especially in the social sciences.					
	The word closest in meaning to <u>comprehension</u> is					
	(a) understanding	(b) meaning				
	(c) concentration	(d) stability				

Q2. choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following sentence.

One of his biggest ______was his ability to forgive(a) vice(b) virtues(c) choices(d) strength

- Q3. Rajan was not happy that Sajan decided to do the project on his own on observing his unhappiness. Sajan explained to Rajan that he preferred to work independently. Which one of the statements below is logically valid and can be inferred from the above sentences?
 - (a) Rajan has decided to work only in a group
 - (b) Rajan and Sajan were formed into a group against their wishes
 - (c) Sajan had decided to give in to Rajan's request to work with him
 - (d) Rajan had believed that Sajan and he would be working together
- Q4. If $y = 5x^2 + 3$, then the tangent at x = 0, x = 3(a) passes through x = 0, y = 0 (b) has a slope of +1 (c) is parallel to the *x*-axis (d) has a slope of -1
- Q5. A foundry has a fixed daily cost of Rs 50,000 whenever it operates and a variable cost of Rs 800Q, where Q is the daily production in tonnes. What is the cost of production in Rs per tonne for a daily production of 100 tonnes?

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Q.6-Q.10 carry two mark each.

- Q6.Find the odd one in the following group: ALRVX, EPVZB, ITZDF, OYEIK(a) ALRVX(b) EPVZB(c) ITZDF(d) OYEIK
- Q7 Anuj, Bhola, Chandan, Dilip, Eswar and Faisal live on different floors in a six-storeyed building (the ground floor is numbered 1, the floor above it 2, and so on). Anuj lives on an even numbered floor, Bhola does not live on an odd numbered floor. Chandan does not live on any of the floors below Faisal's floor. Dilip does not live on floor number 2. Eswar does not live on a floor immediately above or immediately below Bhola. Faisal lives three floors above Dilip. Which of the following floor-person combinations is correct?

	Anuj	Bhola	Chandan	Dilip	Eswar	Faisal
(A)	6	2	5	1	3	4
(B)	2	6	5	1	3	4
(C)	4	2	6	3	1	5
(D)	2	4	6	1	3	5

- Q8 The smallest angle of a triangle is equal to two third of the smallest angle of quadrilateral. The ratio between the angles of the quadrilateral is 3:4:5:6. The largest angle of the triangle is twice its smallest angle. What is the sum, in degrees, of the second largest angle of the triangle and the largest angle of the quadrilateral?
- Q9. One percent of the people of country X are taller than 6 ft. two percent of the people of country Y are taller than 6 ft. There are thrice as many people in country X as in country Y. Taking both countries together, what is the percentage of people taller than 6ft?

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(a) 3.0	(b) 2.5	(c) 1.5	(d) 1.25

Q10. The monthly rainfall chart based on 50 years of rainfall in Agra is shown in the following figure. Which of the following are true? (*k* percentile is the value such that *k* percent of the data fall below the value)



(iv) In August, there is at least 500 mm of rainfall

(a) (i) and (ii) (b) (i) and (iii) (c) (ii) and (iii) (d) (iii) and (iv)

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