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Section A: Q.1 – Q.10 Carry ONE mark each.

Q1. The total number of Na and Cl ions per unit cell of the NaCl crystal is:

(A) 2	(B) 4
(C) 8	(D) 16

Ans: (C)

Q2. The sum of three binary numbers, 10110.10, 11010.01, and 10101.11, in decimal system is:

(A) 70.75	(B) 70.25
(C) 70.50	(D) 69.50

Ans: (C)

Q3. Which of the following matrices is Hermitian as well as unitary?

$(\mathbf{A}) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	$(\mathbf{B}) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
$(\mathbf{C})\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i\\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$(D) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1+i \\ 1-i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
A)	

Ans: (A)

Q4. The divergence of a 3-dimensional vector $\frac{\hat{r}}{r^3}$ (\hat{r} is the unit radial vector) is:

(A) $-\frac{1}{r^4}$ (B) Zero (C) $\frac{1}{r^3}$ (D) $-\frac{3}{r^4}$ (D) $-\frac{3}{r^4}$

Ans: (A)

Q5. The magnitudes of spin magnetic moments of electron, proton and neutron are μ_e, μ_p

and μ_n , respectively. Then,

(A) $\mu_e > \mu_p > \mu_n$	(B) $\mu_e = \mu_p > \mu_n$

(C)
$$\mu_e < \mu_p < \mu_n$$
 (D) $\mu_e < \mu_p = \mu_n$

Ans: (A)



A particle moving along the x-axis approaches x=0 from $x=-\infty$ with a total energy Q6. E. It is subjected to a potential V(x). For time $t \to \infty$, the probability density P(x) of the particle is schematically shown in the figure.





Q7.



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Q8. If the electric field of an electromagnetic wave is given by,

 $\vec{E} = (4\hat{x} + 3\hat{y})e^{i(\omega t + ax - 600y)}$ then the value of *a* is:

(all values are in the SI units)

(A) 450 (B) -450 (C) 800 (D) -800

Ans: (A)

Q9. A vector field is expressed in the cylindrical coordinate system (s, ϕ, z) as,

$$\vec{F} = \frac{A}{s}\hat{s} + \frac{B}{s}\hat{z}$$

If this field represents an electrostatic field, then the possible values of A and B, respectively, are:

(B) 0 and 1

(D) 1 and -1

(A) 1 and 0

Ans: (A)

Q10. Which of the following types of motion may be represented by the trajectory,

 $y(x) = ax^2 + bx + c?$

(Here a, b, and c are constants; x, y are the position coordinates)

(A) Projectile motion in a uniform gravitational field

(B) Simple harmonic motion

(C) Uniform circular motion

(D) Motion on an inclined plane in a uniform gravitational field

Ans: (A)

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Section A: Q.11 – Q.30 Carry TWO marks each.

Q11. A crystal plane of a lattice intercepts the principal axes \vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2 and \vec{a}_3 at $3a_1, 4a_2$, and $2a_3$, respectively. The Miller indices of the plane are:

(A) (436)	(B) (342)
(C) (634)	(D) (243)

Ans: (A)

Q12. The number of atoms in the *basis* of a primitive cell of hexagonal closed packed structure is:

(A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) 4

Ans: (B)

Q13. Consider the following logic circuit.

- The output Y is LOW when:
- (A) A is HIGH and B is LOW (B) A is LOW and B is HIGH
- (C) Both A and B are LOW (D) Both A and B are HIGH

Ans: (A)

Q14. The value of the line integral for the vector,

$$\vec{v} = 2\hat{x} + yz^2\hat{y} + (3y + z^2)\hat{z}$$

along the closed path OABO (as shown in the figure)

is: (Path AB is the arc of a circle of unit radius)

(A)
$$\frac{1}{4}(3\pi - 1)$$
 (B) $3\pi - \frac{1}{4}$
(C) $\frac{3\pi}{4} - 1$ (D) $3\pi - 1$

Ans: (A)

Q15. In the x - y plane, a vector is given by $\vec{F}(x, y) = \frac{-y\hat{x} + x\hat{y}}{x^2 + y^2}$. The magnitude of the flux of

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 $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}$, through a circular loop of radius 2, centered at the origin, is:

(A) π (B) 2π (C) 4π (D) 0

Ans: (B)

A



Q16. The roots of the polynomial, $f(z) = z^4 - 8z^3 + 27z^2 - 38z + 26$, are $z_1, z_2, z_3 \& z_4$, where

z is a complex variable. Which of the following statements is correct?

(A)
$$\frac{z_1 + z_2 + z_3 + z_4}{z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4} = -\frac{4}{19}$$

(B) $\frac{z_1 + z_2 + z_3 + z_4}{z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4} = \frac{4}{13}$
(C) $\frac{z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4}{z_1 + z_2 + z_3 + z_4} = -\frac{26}{27}$
(D) $\frac{z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4}{z_1 + z_2 + z_3 + z_4} = \frac{13}{19}$

Ans: (B)

- Q17. The ultraviolet catastrophe in the classical (Rayleigh-Jeans) theory of cavity radiation is attributed to the assumption that
 - (A) the standing waves of all allowed frequencies in the cavity have the same average energy
 - (B) the density of the standing waves in the cavity is independent of the shape and size of the cavity
 - (C) the allowed frequencies of the standing waves inside the cavity have no upper limit
 - (D) the number of allowed frequencies for the standing waves in a frequency range vto (v+dv) is proportional to v^2

Ans: (A)

- Q18. Given that the rest mass of electron is $0.511 \text{MeV}/\text{c}^2$, the speed (in units of c) of an electron with kinetic energy 5.11MeV is closest to: (A) 0.996 (B) 0.993
 - (C) 0.990 (D) 0.998

Ans: (A)

Q19. A one-dimensional infinite square-well potential is given by:

$$V(x) = 0$$
 for $-\frac{a}{2} < x < +\frac{a}{2}$

$=\infty$ elsewhere

Let $E_e(x)$ and $\psi_e(x)$ be the ground state energy and the corresponding wave function, respectively, if an electron (e) is trapped in that well. Similarly, let $E_{\mu}(x)$ and $\psi_{\mu}(x)$ be the corresponding quantities, if a muon (μ) is trapped in the well. Choose the correct option:



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- Q24. A tank, placed on the ground, is filled with water up to a height h. A small hole is made at a height h_1 such that $h_1 < h$. The water jet emerging from the hole strikes the ground at a horizontal distance D, as shown schematically in the figure. Which of the following statements is correct? (g is the acceleration due to gravity) (A) Velocity at h_1 is $\sqrt{2gh_1}$ (B) $D = 2(h - h_1)$ h (C) D will be maximum when $h_1 = \frac{2}{3}h$ (D) The maximum value of D is hD Ans: (D)
- Q25. An incompressible fluid is flowing through a vertical pipe (height h and cross-sectional area A_0). A thin mesh, having n circular holes of area A_h , is fixed at the bottom end of the pipe. The speed of the fluid entering the top-end of the pipe is v_0 . The volume flow rate from an individual hole of the mesh is given by:(g is the acceleration due to gravity)

(A)
$$\frac{A_0}{n}\sqrt{v_0^2 + 2gh}$$

(B) $\frac{A_0}{n}\sqrt{v_0^2 + gh}$
(C) $n(A_0 - A_h)\sqrt{v_0^2 + 2gh}$
(D) $n(A_0 - A_h)\sqrt{v_0^2 + gh_0}$

Ans: (A)

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Q26. A ball is dropped from a height h to the ground. If the coefficient of restitution is e, the time required for the ball to stop bouncing is proportional to:

(A)
$$\frac{2+e}{1-e}$$
 (B) $\frac{1+e}{1-e}$ (C) $\frac{1-e}{1+e}$ (D) $\frac{2-e}{1+e}$

Ans: (B)

Q27. A cylinder-piston system contains N atoms of an ideal gas. If t_{avg} is the average time between successive collisions of a given atom with other atoms. If the temperature T of the gas is increased isobarically, then t_{avg} is proportional to:

(A)
$$\sqrt{T}$$
 (B) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}$ (C) T (D) $\frac{1}{T}$

Ans: (A)

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A gas consists of particles, each having three translational and three rotational degrees of Q28. freedom. The ratio of specific heats, C_p/C_v , is: (C_p and C_v are the specific heats at constant pressure and constant volume, respectively) (A) 5/3 (B) 7/5 (C) 4/3 (D) 3/2 Ans: (C) Q29. If two traveling waves, given by $y_1 = A_0 \sin(kx - \omega t)$ and $y_2 = A_0 \sin(\alpha kx - \beta \omega t)$ are superposed, which of the following statements is correct? (A) For $\alpha = \beta = 1$, the resultant wave is a standing wave (B) For $\alpha = \beta = -1$, the resultant wave is a standing wave (C) For $\alpha = \beta = 2$, the carrier frequency of the resultant wave is $\frac{3}{2}\omega$ (D) For $\alpha = \beta = 2$, the carrier frequency of the resultant wave is 3ω Ans: (C) Suppose that there is a dispersive medium whose refractive index depends on the Q30. wavelength as given $n(\lambda) = n_0 + \frac{a}{\lambda^2} - \frac{b}{\lambda^4}$. The value of λ at which the group and phase velocities would be the same, is: (B) $\sqrt{\frac{b}{2a}}$ (C) $\sqrt{\frac{3b}{a}}$ (D) $\sqrt{\frac{b}{3a}}$ (A) $\sqrt{\frac{2b}{a}}$

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Section B: Q.31 – Q.40 Carry TWO marks each.

- A pure Si crystal can be converted to an *n*-type crystal by doping with 031.
 - (A) P (B) As (C) Sb (D) In

Ans: (A), (B), (C)

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Q32. In the following OP-AMP circuit, v_{in} and v_{out} represent the input and output signals,



Choose the correct statement(s):

(A) v_{out} is out-of-phase with v_{in}

(C) v_{out} is in-phase with v_{in}

(D) v_{out} is zero

(B) Gain is unity when $R_1 = R_2$

Ans: (A), (B)

- A spring-mass system (spring constant 80N/m and damping coefficient 40N-s/m), Q33. initially at rest, is lying along the y-axis in the horizontal plane. One end of the spring is fixed and the mass (5kg) is attached at its other end. The mass is pulled along the y-axis by 0.5m from its equilibrium position and then released. Choose the correct statement(s). (Ignore mass of the spring)
 - (A) Motion will be under damped
 - (B) Trajectory of the mass will be $y(t) = \frac{1}{2}(1+t)e^{-4t}$
 - (C) Motion will be critically damped

(D) Trajectory of the mass will be $y(t) = \frac{1}{2}(1+4t)e^{-4t}$

Ans: (C), (D)

- Consider two different Compton scattering experiments, in which X-rays and γ -rays of Q34. wavelength (λ) 1.024Å and 0.049Å, respectively, are scattered from stationary free electrons. The scattered wavelength (λ') is measured as a function of the scattering angle (θ). If Compton shift is $\Delta \lambda = \lambda' - \lambda$, then which of the following statement(s) is/are true: $(h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J.s}, m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}, c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})$
 - (A) For γ -rays, $\lambda'_{\text{max}} \approx 0.098\text{\AA}$
 - (B) For X-rays, $(\Delta \lambda)_{\text{max}}$ is observed at $\theta = 180^{\circ}$
 - (C) For X-rays, $(\Delta \lambda)_{\text{max}} \approx 1.049 \text{\AA}$
 - (D) For γ -rays, at $\theta = 90^{\circ}$, $\lambda' \approx 0.049$ Å

Ans: (A), (B)

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- A particle of mass m, having an energy E and angular momentum L, is in a parabolic Q35. trajectory around a planet of mass M. If the distance of the closest approach to the planet is r_m , which of the following statement(s) is(are) true?(G is the Gravitational constant)
 - (B) E = 0(A) E > 0(C) $L = \sqrt{2GMm^2 r_m}$ (D) $L = \sqrt{2GM^2 mr_m}$

Ans: (B), (C)

The inertial frame S' is moving away from the inertial frame S with a speed v = 0.6cQ36. along the negative x-direction (see figure). The origins O' and O of the frames coincide

at t = t' = 0. As observed in the frame S', two events occur simultaneously at two points on the x'-axis with a separation of $\Delta x' = 5m$. If, Δt and Δx are the magnitudes of the time interval and the space interval, respectively, between the events in S, then which of the following statements is(are) correct? ($c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$)



Ans: (A), (D)

(A) $\Delta t = 12.5 \, \text{ns}$



Q37. For the LCR AC-circuit (resonance frequency ω_0) shown in the figure below, choose the correct statement(s).



(A) ω_0 depends on the values of L, C, and R

(B) At $\omega = \omega_0$, voltage V_R and current *I* are in-phase

- (C) The amplitude of V_R at $\omega = \omega_0/2$ is independent of R
- (D) The amplitude of V_R at $\omega = \omega_0$ is independent of L and C

Ans: (B), (D)

Q38. The P-V diagram of an engine is shown in the figure below. The temperatures at points 1, 2, 3 and 4 are T_1, T_2, T_3 and T_4 , respectively. $1 \rightarrow 2$ and $3 \rightarrow 4$ are adiabatic processes, and $2 \rightarrow 3$ and $4 \rightarrow 1$ are isochoric processes. Identify the correct statement(s).

 P_1

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 $[\gamma \text{ is the ratio of specific heats } C_p \text{ (at constant } P \text{) and }$

 C_{v} (at constant V)]

(A) $T_1 T_3 = T_2 T_4$

(B) The efficiency of the engine is $1 - \left(\frac{P_1}{P_1}\right)$

(C) The change in entropy for the entire cycle is zero

(D) $T_1 T_2 = T_3 T_4$

Ans: MTA

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Q39. A whistle *S* of sound frequency *f* is oscillating with angular frequency ω along the *x*-axis. Its instantaneous position and the velocity are given by $x(t) = a \sin(\omega t)$ and $v(t) = v_0 \cos(\omega t)$, respectively. An observer *P* is located on the *y*-axis at a distance *L* from the origin (see figure). Let $v_{PS}(t)$ be the component of v(t) along the line joining the source and the observer. Choose the correct option(s): (Here *a* and v_0 are constants) (A) $v_{PS}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{av_0}{\sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 \omega t + L^2}} \sin(2\omega t)$

(B) The observed frequency will be f when the source is at x = 0 and $x = \pm a$

(C) The observed frequency will be f when the source is at position $x = \pm \frac{a}{2}$

(D)
$$v_{PS}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{av_0}{\sqrt{a^2 + L^2}} \sin(2\omega t)$$

Ans: (A), (B)

Q40. One mole of an ideal monoatomic gas, initially at temperature T_0 is expanded from an initial volume V_0 to $2.5V_0$. Which of the following statements is (are) correct?

(*R* is the ideal gas constant)

- (A) When the process is isothermal, the work done is $RT_0 \ln 2$
- (B) When the process is isothermal, the change in internal energy is zero
- (C) When the process is isobaric, the work done is $\frac{3}{2}RT_0$
- (D) When the process is isobaric, the change in internal energy is $\frac{9}{2}RT_0$

Ans: (B), (C)

Section C: Q.41 – Q.50 Carry ONE mark each.

Q41. Consider a p-n junction diode which has 10^{23} acceptor-atoms/m³ in the *p*-side and 10^{22} donor-atoms/m³ in the *n*-side. If the depletion width in the *p*-side is 0.16µm, then the value of depletion width in the *n*-side will be ____µm. (Rounded off to one decimal place)

Ans: 1.6

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Q42. The co-ordinate system (x, y, z) is transformed to the system (u, v, w), as given by:



Ans: 4

Q43. Two sides of a triangle OAB are given by:

$$\overrightarrow{OA} = \hat{x} + 2\hat{y} + \hat{z}$$
$$\overrightarrow{OB} = 2\hat{x} - \hat{y} + 3\hat{z}$$

The area of the triangle is _____. (Rounded off to one decimal place)

Ans: 4.2 to 4.4

Q44. A particle of mass 1kg, initially at rest, starts sliding down from the top of a frictionless inclined plane of angle $\pi/6$ (as schematically shown in the figure). The magnitude of the torque on the particle about the point *O* after a time 2 seconds is _____N-m. (Rounded off to nearest integer)



Q45. The moment of inertia of a solid hemisphere (mass M and radius R) about the axis passing through the hemisphere and parallel to its flat surface is $\frac{2}{5}MR^2$. The distance of the axis from the center of mass of the hemisphere (in units of R) is_____. (Rounded off to two decimal places)

Ans: 0.36 to 0.40

Q46. A collimated light beam of intensity I_0 is incident normally on an air-dielectric (refractive index 2.0) interface. The intensity of the reflected light is _____ I_0 . (Rounded off to two decimal places)

Ans: 0.10 to 0.12

Q47. A charge of -9C is placed at the center of a concentric spherical shell made of a linear dielectric material (relative permittivity 9) and having inner and outer radii of 0.1m and 0.2m, respectively. The total charge induced on its inner surface is _____C. (Rounded off to two decimal place)

Ans: 7.90 to 8.10

Q48. A Zener diode (rating 10V, 2W) and a normal diode (turn-on voltage 0.7 V) are connected in a circuit as shown in the figure. The voltage drop V_L across the $2k\Omega$ resistance is ______V. (Rounded off to one decimal place)



Ans: 6.2

Q49. The Fermi energy of a system is 5.5 eV. At 500 K, the energy of a level for which the probability of occupancy is 0.2, is ______eV. (Rounded off to two decimal places) (Boltzmann constant $k_B = 8.62 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/K}$)

Ans: 5.55 to 5.57

Q50. One mole of an ideal monoatomic gas is heated in a closed container, first from 273K to 303K, and then from 303K to 373K. The net change in the entropy is _____R. (Rounded off to two decimal places) (R is the ideal gas constant)

Ans: 0.44 to 0.48



Section C: Q.51 – Q.60 Carry TWO marks each.

Q51. For a simple cubic crystal, the smallest inter-planar spacing *d* that can be determined from its second order of diffraction using monochromatic X-rays of wavelength 1.32Å is _____Å. (Round off to two decimal places)

Ans: 1.32

Q52. A transistor ($\beta = 100, V_{BE} = 0.7V$) is connected as shown in the circuit below.



The current I_c will be _____mA. (Rounded off to two decimal places)

Ans: 1.10 to 1.15

Q53. In the Taylor expansion of function, $F(x) = e^x \sin x$, around x = 0, the coefficient of x^5 is ______. (Rounded off to three decimal places)

Ans: -0.034 to -0.032

Q54. A stationary nitrogen $\binom{14}{7}N$ nucleus is bombarded with α -particle $\binom{4}{2}He$ and the

following nuclear reaction takes place:

 ${}^{4}_{2}He + {}^{14}_{7}N \rightarrow {}^{17}_{8}O + {}^{1}_{1}H$ Mass:4.003*u* 14.003*u* 16.999*u* 1.008*u*

If the kinetic energies of ${}_{2}^{4}He$ and ${}_{1}^{1}H$ are 5.314 MeV and 4.012 MeV, respectively, then the kinetic energy of ${}_{8}^{17}O$ is ______ MeV. (Rounded off to one decimal place) (Masses are given in units of $u = 931.5 \text{ MeV/c}^{2}$)

Ans: 0.4



Q55. A satellite of mass 10kg, in a circular orbit around a planet, is having a speed v = 200 m/s. The total energy of the satellite is _____kJ. (Rounded off to nearest integer)

Ans: -200

- Q56. When a system of multiple long narrow slits (width $2\mu m$ and period $4\mu m$) is illuminated with a laser of wavelength 600nm. There are 40 minima between the two consecutive principal maxima observed in its diffraction pattern. Then maximum resolving power of the system is _____.
- Ans: 246
- Q57. Consider a thick biconvex lens (thickness t = 4 cm and refractive index n = 1.5) whose magnitudes of the radii of curvature R_1 and R_2 , of the first and second surfaces are 30cm and 20cm, respectively. Surface 2 is silvered to act as a mirror. A point object is placed at point A on the axis (OA = 60cm) as shown in the figure. If its image is formed at point Q, the distance d between O and Q is ______ cm. (Rounded off to two decimal places)



Ans: 3.55 to 3.59

Q58. An unstable particle created at a point P moves with a constant speed of 0.998 *c* until it decays at a point Q. If the lifetime of the particle in its rest frame is 632ns, the distance between points P and Q is _____m. (Rounded off to the nearest integer)

 $(c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})$

Ans: 2992 to 2994

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Q59. Two positive charges Q and 2Q are kept at points A and B, separated by a distance 2d, as shown in the figure. MCL is a semicircle of radius 2d centered at the origin O. If Q = 2C and d = 10 cm, the value of the line integral $\int_{M}^{L} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{dl}$ (where \vec{E} represents electric field) along the path MCL will be _____V.



Ans: 0

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Q60. A time dependent magnetic field inside a long solenoid of radius 0.05m is given by $\vec{B}(t) = B_0 \sin \omega t \hat{z}$. If $\omega = 100 \text{ rad/s}$ and $B_0 = 0.98 \text{ Weber/m}^2$, then the amplitude of the induced electric field at a distance of 0.07m from the axis of the solenoid is _____V/m. (Rounded off to two decimal places)

Ans: 1.71 to 1.75

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