Max. Marks: 60

B. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2018

SEMESTER -5: PHYSICS (CORE COURSE)

COURSE: 15U5CRPHY05: CLASSICAL AND QUANTUM MECHANICS

(Common for Regular 2016 admission & Supplementary 2015 & 2014 admissions)

Time: Three Hours

PART A (Very short answer questions)

Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 Mark

- 1. For a pendulum with an extensible string, the constraint belongs to which type?
 - (a) dissipative (b) nonholonomic (c) rheonomic (d) scleronomic
- 2. If Lagrangian is not an explicit function of time, the quantity remaining conserved is
 - (a) Hamiltonian (b) linear momentum (c) angular momentum (d) time
- 3. The dimension of action is same as that of
 - (a) linear momentum (b) angular momentum (c) energy (d) acceleration
- 4. Rayleigh-Jeans law matches with Planck's law at
 - (a) low frequencies (b) high frequencies (c) all frequencies (d) none of these
- 5. The dual behavior of electrons is

(a) only a theory (b) an experimental fact (c) an artifact (d) meaningless

- 6. For a wave function to be normalizable, the norm is to be
 - (a) finite (b) infinite (c) zero (d) complex
- 7. When the number of waves forming a wave packet is increased, what happens to the width of the wave packet?
 - (a) becomes wider (b) becomes narrower (c) becomes zero (d) becomes infinity
- 8. The quantum mechanical operator for momentum is

(a)
$$-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$
 (b) $i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ (c) $-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ (d) $i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$

- 9. An eigen function of the operator $i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ is $e^{-i\omega t}$. What is the corresponding eigen value?
 - (a) ω (b) $i\omega$ (c) $i\omega t$ (d) t
- 10. For a rigid rotator,
 - (a) The energy levels are equally spaced (b) energy levels are un-equally spaced
 - (c) ground state energy is non-zero (d) none of these
- (1 x 1 0 = 10)

PART B (Short answer)

Answer **any Seven** questions. Each question carries **2** Marks

- 11. What do you mean by a cyclic co-ordinate? What is the nature of the conjugate momentum?
- 12. State the Hamilton's principle for a conservative system.
- 13. Compare Lagrange's and Hamilton's equations of motion.
- 14. What is the importance of Davisson-Germer experiment?
- 15. What do you mean by the expectation value of an operator? Give an expression for the same.
- 16. What do you mean by a stationary state?
- 17. Distinguish between the terms phase velocity and group velocity. Give expressions for the same.
- 18. What are the eigen functions and eigen values of the operators L^2 and L_z ?
- 19. Explain the term degeneracy of eigen functions. (2 x 7 = 14)

PART C (Problem/Derivations)

Answer any Four question. Each question carries 4 Marks

- 20. Obtain the equation of motion of a one-dimensional harmonic oscillator employing Lagrangian formalism.
- 21. Using Euler-Lagrange equation, prove that the shortest distance between two points is a straight line.
- 22. An X-ray beam of wavelength 1 pm suffers Compton scattering from a target. Estimate the maximum and minimum wavelength of the scattered X-rays.
- 23. Estimate the de Broglie wavelength of an electron which is accelerated through a potential difference of 100 V.
- 24. Find the expectation value of the momentum of a particle enclosed in a one-dimensional box.
- 25. Verify the commutation relation $[L_x, L_y] = i\hbar L_z$. (4 x 4 = 16)

PART D (Long answer questions)

Answer any Two question. Each question carries 10 Marks

- 26. Obtain the Lagrange's equation of motion for a conservative system from D'Alembert's Principle.
- 27. Derive the least action principle for a conservative system.
- 28. What are the important conclusions of photoelectric effect? Give explanations for these effects based on Einstein's photoelectric equation.
- 29. Obtain the Schrödinger equation for a one-dimensional simple harmonic oscillator. Give expression for the energy eigen values. Plot the corresponding eigen functions. (10 x 2 = 20)