

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE EXAMINATION, 2018
(3rd Year, 1st Semester)
PHYSICS (HONOURS)
Paper - HO - 9

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50
(25 marks for each group)

Use a separate Answer Scripts for each group.

GROUP - AAnswer **q.no. 4** and any **two** questions from the rest.

1. (a) Find the Fourier transform of the following function

$$f(x) = a \delta(x) + b \delta'(x) + c \delta''(x)$$

where a, b and c are real constants and $\delta(x)$ is the Dirac delta-function (prime denotes derivative).

- (b) Solve the following differential equation with the help of Laplace transformation with initial conditions
- $x'(0) = x(0) = 0$
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$$\frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + 4 \frac{dx}{dt} + 4x = 0$$

- (c) Using Generating function show that

$$\cos x = J_0(x) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-1)^i J_{2i}(x)$$

$$\sin x = 2 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{i-1} J_{2i-1}(x)$$

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2. (a) Find the Laplace transform of the following function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{T} & \text{for } 0 < t < T \\ 1 & \text{for } t > T \end{cases}$$

- (b) Find the Fourier transformation of the following

$$\text{function : } \psi(x) = \sin \frac{n\pi x}{a}.$$

- (c) Prove the addition theorem of Bessel function

$$J_n(x+y) = \sum_{k=x}^{\infty} J_{n-k}(x) J_k(y)$$

Hence show that

$$J_0(x+y) = J_0(x)J_0(y) + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} J_k(x)J_k(y) \quad 3+3+4$$

3. (a) Find the value of the following contour integral

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{c^{4z} - 1}{\cosh(z) - 2\sinh(z)} dz$$

around the unit circle C traversed in the anti-clock direction.

- (b) Let $u(x,y) = c^{ax} \cos(by)$ be the real part of a function $f(z) = u(x,y) + ie(x,y)$ of the complex variable $z = x + iy$ where a and b are real constants and $a \neq 0$. If the function $f(z)$ is complex analytic everywhere in the complex plane then find a and b .

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9. Consider a system of N non-interacting atoms each with magnetic moment $\vec{\mu}$, in an external magnetic field $\vec{H}$. The magnetic energy of each atom is given by,

$$\epsilon = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{H} = g\mu_0 H m ; \text{ where } m = -J, -J+1, \dots, J-1, J.$$

Obtain (a) the partition function and (b) the magnetization of the system. In case you cannot execute the calculation for general J , try the problem for $m = -1/2, +1/2$, for partial credit. 3+2

10. Consider an air column above the surface of the earth. The air behaves like an ideal gas under uniform gravity. Its Hamiltonian is,

$$H(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i) = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{|\vec{p}_i|^2}{2m} + mgz_i \right),$$

where z_i is the height of the i th gas molecule. Calculate the density distribution of particles in the column, under the influence of gravity, at a given temperature. 5

11. Consider an ensemble of M identical systems at a given temperature T , volume V and chemical potential μ . Let n_i, N be the number of ensemble members with N particles and energy E_i . Find an expression for the probability distribution $W\{n_i, N\}$. Hence derive the expression for the grand canonical (or macro-canonical) partition function. Find explicit expressions for T and μ in terms of relevant physical quantities. 2+2+1

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6. Consider a system of three non-interacting quantum particles in a cubic box having sides of length L . Find the allowed energy states of the system between energy values $(h^2/8mL^2) \times 7$ and $(h^2/8mL^2) \times 21$ and also their degeneracies (number of microstates that correspond to each of the macrostates). 5

7. Consider an ultra-relativistic ideal gas in 3 spatial dimensions given by the Hamiltonian,

$$H = \sum_{k=1}^N |\vec{p}_k| c.$$

Find the entropy and the equation of state. 3+2

8. (a) Derive an expression for the volume $V_{3N}(R)$ of a $3N$ dimensional hypersphere of radius R .
(b) The Hamiltonian for a system of non-interacting one-dimensional harmonic oscillators is given by,

$$H(\{q, p\}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{p_i^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 q_i^2 \right)$$

Find the phase space volume between the energy values $\left(E - \frac{\Delta E}{2}\right)$ and $\left(E + \frac{\Delta E}{2}\right)$. 2+3

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3. (c) Expand $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z+1)(z+3)}$ in a Laurent series valid for $1 < |z| < 3$. 4+3+3

4. Evaluate the following Brounwich integral

$$I = \int_{a-i\infty}^{a+i\infty} \frac{e^{zt}}{(z^2 + k^2)^2} dz$$

OR

$$I = \int_{a-i\infty}^{a+i\infty} \frac{e^{zt}}{\sqrt{z+1}} dz$$

where a and b are any positive constant. 5

GROUP - B

(Statistical Mechanics - I)

Answer any **five** questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

5. A random walker is moving on a square grid, starting from the origin. If the probability of moving to right, left, forward and backward are equal, what is the probability of his reaching the (2,2) position after a 6-step walk. What is the most probable position after 6 steps. List all possible final positions of the walker after 6 steps. 2+2+1

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