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PH: Physics

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Q1 - Q5 carry one mark each.

Q.No. 1	He is known for his unscrupulous ways. He always shedstears to deceive people.
(A)	fox's
(B)	crocodile's
(C)	crocodile
(D)	fox
Q.No. 2	Jofra Archer, the England fast bowler, isthan accurate.
(A)	more fast
(B)	faster
(C)	less fast
(D)	more faster
Q.No. 3	Select the word that fits the analogy:
	Build : Building :: Grow :
(A)	Grown
(B)	Grew
(C)	Growth
(D)	Growed
Q.No. 4	I do not think you know the case well enough to have opinions. Having said that, I agree
Q.110. T	with your other point.
	What does the phrase "having said that" mean in the given text?
(A)	as opposed to what I have said
(B)	despite what I have said
(C)	in addition to what I have said
(D)	contrary to what I have said
Q.No. 5	Define $[x]$ as the greatest integer less than or equal to x , for each $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$. If $y = [x]$, then area under y for $x \in [1,4]$ is
(A)	1
(B)	3
(C)	4
(D)	6

Q6 - Q10 carry two marks each.

Q.No. 6

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Crowd funding deals with mobilisation of funds for a project from a large number of people, who would be willing to invest smaller amounts through web-based platforms in the project.

Based on the above paragraph, which of the following is correct about crowd funding?

- (A) Funds raised through unwilling contributions on web-based platforms.
- (B) Funds raised through large contributions on web-based platforms.
- (c) Funds raised through coerced contributions on web-based platforms.
- (D) Funds raised through voluntary contributions on web-based platforms.

Q.No. 7 P, Q, R and S are to be uniquely coded using α and β. If P is coded as αα and Q as αβ, then R and S, respectively, can be coded as _____.

- (A) $\beta \alpha$ and $\alpha \beta$
- (B) $\beta\beta$ and $\alpha\alpha$
- (c) $\alpha\beta$ and $\beta\beta$
- (D) $\beta \alpha$ and $\beta \beta$

Q.No. 8 The sum of the first n terms in the sequence 8, 88, 888, 888, ... is _____.

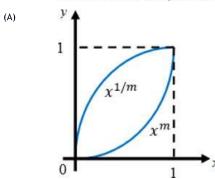
(A)
$$\frac{81}{80}(10^n - 1) + \frac{9}{8}n$$

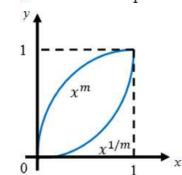
(B)
$$\frac{81}{80}(10^n - 1) - \frac{9}{8}n$$

(C)
$$\frac{80}{81}(10^n - 1) + \frac{8}{9}n$$

(D)
$$\frac{80}{81}(10^n-1)-\frac{8}{9}n$$

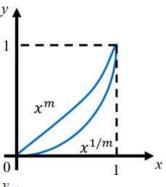
Q.No. 9 Select the graph that schematically represents BOTH $y = x^m$ and $y = x^{1/m}$ properly in the interval $0 \le x \le 1$, for integer values of m, where m > 1.



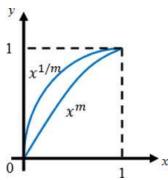


(C)

(B)

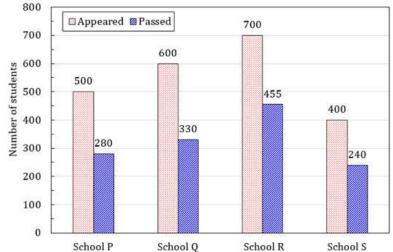






Q.No. 10 The bar graph shows the data of the students who appeared and passed in an examination for four schools P, Q, R and S. The average of success rates (in percentage) of these four schools is _____.

Performance of Schools P, Q, R and S



- (A) 58.5 %
- (B) 58.8 %
- (c) 59.0 %
- (D) 59.3 %

PH: Physics

Q1 - Q25 carry one mark each.

- Q.No. 1 Which one of the following is a solution of $\frac{d^2u(x)}{dx^2} = k^2u(x)$, for k real?
- e^{-kx}
- $\sin kx$
- $\cos kx$

- sinh x
- Q.No. 2 A real, invertible 3×3 matrix M has eigenvalues λ_i , (i=1,2,3) and the corresponding eigenvectors are $|e_i\rangle$, (i=1,2,3) respectively. Which one of the following is correct?

(A)
$$M|e_i\rangle = \frac{1}{\lambda_i}|e_i\rangle$$
, for $i = 1, 2, 3$

(B)
$$M^{-1}|e_i\rangle = \frac{1}{\lambda_i}|e_i\rangle$$
, for $i = 1, 2, 3$

(C)
$$M^{-1}|e_i\rangle = \lambda_i|e_i\rangle$$
, for $i = 1, 2, 3$

- (D) The eigenvalues of M and M^{-1} are not related.
- Q.No. 3 A quantum particle is subjected to the potential

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} \infty, & x \le -\frac{a}{2} \\ 0, & -\frac{a}{2} < x < \frac{a}{2} \\ \infty, & x \ge \frac{a}{2}. \end{cases}$$

The ground state wave function of the particle is proportional to

- $\sin\!\left(\frac{\pi x}{2a}\right)$
- $\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right)$
- $\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2a}\right)$
- $\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right)$
- Q.No. 4 Let \hat{a} and \hat{a}^{\dagger} , respectively denote the lowering and raising operators of a one-dimensional simple harmonic oscillator. Let $|n\rangle$ be the energy eigenstate of the simple harmonic oscillator. Given that $|n\rangle$ is also an eigenstate of $\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\hat{a}$, the corresponding eigenvalue is
- (A) n(n-1)
- (B) n(n+1)
- (C) $(n+1)^2$
- n^2
- Q.No. 5 Which one of the following is a universal logic gate?
- (A) AND
- (B) NOT
- (c) OR

- NAND
- Which one of the following is the correct binary equivalent of the hexadecimal Q.No. 6 F6C?
- 0110 1111 1100 (A)
- 1111 0110 1100 (B)
- 1100 0110 1111 (C)
- 0110 1100 0111 (D)
- The total angular momentum j of the ground state of the ${}^{17}_{8}\mathrm{O}$ nucleus is Q.No. 7
- $\frac{1}{2}$ (A)
- 1 (B)
- $\frac{3}{2}$ $\frac{5}{2}$ (C)
- (D)
- A particle X is produced in the process $\pi^+ + p \rightarrow K^+ + X$ via the strong Q.No. 8 interaction. If the quark content of the K^+ is $u\bar{s}$, the quark content of X is
- CS (A)
- uud(B)
- uus(C)
- $u \bar{d}$ (D)
- A medium $(\varepsilon_r > 1, \mu_r = 1, \sigma > 0)$ is semi-transparent to an electromagnetic Q.No. 9 wave when
- Conduction current >> Displacement current (A)
- Conduction current ≪ Displacement current (B)
- Conduction current = Displacement current (C)
- Both Conduction current and Displacement current are zero (D)
- Q.No. 10 A particle is moving in a central force field given by $\vec{F} = -\frac{k}{r^3}\hat{r}$, where \hat{r} is the unit vector pointing away from the center of the field. The potential energy of the particle is given by
- (A)
- (B)
- (C)
- (D)
- Q.No. 11

Choose the correct statement related to the Fermi energy (E_F) and the chemical potential (μ) of a metal.

- (A) $\mu = E_F$ only at 0 K
- (B) $\mu = E_F$ at finite temperature
- (c) $\mu < E_F \text{ at } 0 \text{ K}$
- (D) $\mu > E_F$ at finite temperature
- Q.No. 12 Consider a diatomic molecule formed by identical atoms. If E_V and E_e represent the energy of the vibrational nuclear motion and electronic motion respectively, then in terms of the electronic mass m and nuclear mass M, $\frac{E_V}{E_e}$ is

proportional to

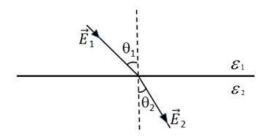
(A)
$$\left(\frac{m}{M}\right)^{1/2}$$

(B)
$$\frac{m}{M}$$

$$\left(\frac{m}{M}\right)^{3/2}$$

(D)
$$\left(\frac{m}{M}\right)^2$$

Q.No. 13 Which one of the following relations determines the manner in which the electric field lines are refracted across the interface between two dielectric media having dielectric constants ε_1 and ε_2 (see figure)?

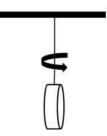


- $\varepsilon_1 \sin \theta_1 = \varepsilon_2 \sin \theta_2$
- (B) $\varepsilon_1 \cos \theta_1 = \varepsilon_2 \cos \theta_2$
- (c) $\varepsilon_1 \tan \theta_1 = \varepsilon_2 \tan \theta_2$
- (D) $\varepsilon_1 \cot \theta_1 = \varepsilon_2 \cot \theta_2$
- Q.No. 14 If \vec{E} and \vec{B} are the electric and magnetic fields respectively, then $\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$ is
- (A) odd under parity and even under time reversal
- (B) even under parity and odd under time reversal
- odd under parity and odd under time reversal
- (D) even under parity and even under time reversal

Q.No. 15 A small disc is suspended by a fiber such that it is free to rotate about the fiber axis (see figure). For small angular deflections, the Hamiltonian for the disc is given by

$$H = \frac{p_{\theta}^2}{2I} + \frac{1}{2}\alpha\theta^2,$$

where I is the moment of inertia and α is the restoring torque per unit deflection. The disc is subjected to angular deflections (θ) due to thermal collisions from the surrounding gas at temperature T and p_{θ} is the momentum conjugate to θ . The average and the root-mean-square angular deflection, θ_{avg} and θ_{rms} , respectively are



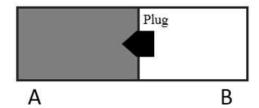
(A)
$$\theta_{avg} = 0$$
 and $\theta_{rms} = \left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha}\right)^{3/2}$

(B)
$$\theta_{avg} = 0$$
 and $\theta_{rms} = \left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha}\right)^{1/2}$

(C)
$$\theta_{avg} \neq 0 \text{ and } \theta_{rms} = \left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha}\right)^{1/2}$$

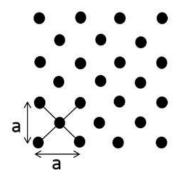
(D)
$$\theta_{avg} \neq 0 \text{ and } \theta_{rms} = \left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha}\right)^{3/2}$$

Q.No. 16 As shown in the figure, an ideal gas is confined to chamber A of an insulated container, with vacuum in chamber B. When the plug in the wall separating the chambers A and B is removed, the gas fills both the chambers. Which one of the following statements is true?



- (A) The temperature of the gas remains unchanged
- (B) Internal energy of the gas decreases
- (c) Temperature of the gas decreases as it expands to fill the space in chamber B
- (D) Internal energy of the gas increases as its atoms have more space to move around

- Particle A with angular momentum $j=\frac{3}{2}$ decays into two particles B and C with angular momenta j_1 and j_2 , respectively. If $\left|\frac{3}{2},\frac{3}{2}\right\rangle_A = \alpha \left|1,1\right\rangle_B \otimes \left|\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}\right\rangle_C$, the value of α is _____.
- Q.No. 18 Far from the Earth, the Earth's magnetic field can be approximated as due to a bar magnet of magnetic pole strength 4×10^{14} Am. Assume this magnetic field is generated by a current carrying loop encircling the magnetic equator. The current required to do so is about 4×10^n A, where n is an integer. The value of n is _____. (Earth's circumference: 4×10^7 m)
- Q.No. 19 The number of distinct ways the primitive unit cell can be constructed for the two dimensional lattice as shown in the figure is ______.



- Q.No. 20 A hydrogenic atom is subjected to a strong magnetic field. In the absence of spinorbit coupling, the number of doubly degenerate states created out of the *d*-level is .
- Q.No. 21 A particle Y undergoes strong decay $Y \rightarrow \pi^- + \pi^-$. The isospin of Y is _____.
- Q.No. 22 For a complex variable z and the contour c:|z|=1 taken in the counter clockwise direction, $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \left(z \frac{2}{z} + \frac{3}{z^2}\right) dz = \underline{\qquad}$.
- Q.No. 23 Let p be the momentum conjugate to the generalized coordinate q. If the transformation

$$Q = \sqrt{2}q^m \cos p$$
$$P = \sqrt{2}q^m \sin p$$

is canonical, then m =____.

A conducting sphere of radius 1 m is placed in air. The maximum number of electrons that can be put on the sphere to avoid electrical breakdown is about 7×10^n , where n is an integer. The value of n is

Assume:

Breakdown electric field strength in air is $|\overline{E}| = 3 \times 10^6 \text{ V/m}$

Permittivity of free space $\varepsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \, \text{F/m}$

Electron charge $e=1.60\times10^{-19}$ C

Q.No. 25 If a particle is moving along a sinusoidal curve, the number of degrees of freedom of the particle is ____.

Q26 - Q55 carry two marks each.

Q.No. 26
The product of eigenvalues of $\begin{pmatrix}
0 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 1 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}$ is

- (A) -1
- (B) 1
- (C) 0
- (D) 2

Q.No. 27 Let
$$|e_1\rangle \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
, $|e_2\rangle \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $|e_3\rangle \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Let $S = \{|e_1\rangle, |e_2\rangle, |e_3\rangle\}$. Let \mathbb{R}^3 denote

the three-dimensional real vector space. Which one of the following is correct?

- (A) S is an orthonormal set
- (B) S is a linearly dependent set
- (c) S is a basis for \mathbb{R}^3

(D)
$$\sum_{i=1}^{3} |e_{i}\rangle\langle e_{i}| = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Q.No. 28 \hat{S}_X denotes the spin operator defined as $\hat{S}_X = \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Which one of the

following is correct?

The eigenstates of spin operator
$$\hat{S}_x$$
 are $\left|\uparrow\right\rangle_x \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\left|\downarrow\right\rangle_x \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{pmatrix}$

The eigenstates of spin operator
$$\hat{S}_x$$
 are $\left|\uparrow\right\rangle_x \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\left|\uparrow\right\rangle_x \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

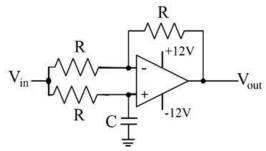
(C)

In the spin state $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$, upon the measurement of \hat{S}_x , the probability for

obtaining
$$\left|\uparrow\right\rangle_{x}$$
 is $\frac{1}{4}$

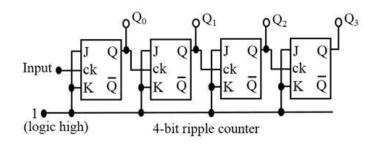
In the spin state $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$, upon the measurement of \hat{S}_X , the probability for obtaining $|\uparrow\rangle_X$ is $\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{4}$.

Q.No. 29 The input voltage (V_{in}) to the circuit shown in the figure is $2\cos(100t)$ V. The output voltage (V_{out}) is $2\cos(100t - \frac{\pi}{2})$ V. If $R = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$, the value of C (in μ F) is



- (A) 0.1
- (B) 1
- (c) 10
- (D) 100

Q.No. 30 Consider a 4-bit counter constructed out of four flip-flops. It is formed by connecting the J and K inputs to logic high and feeding the Q output to the clock input of the following flip-flop (see the figure). The input signal to the counter is a series of square pulses and the change of state is triggered by the falling edge. At time $t = t_0$ the outputs are in logic low state ($Q_0 = Q_1 = Q_2 = Q_3 = 0$). Then at $t = t_1$, the logic state of the outputs is





(A)
$$Q_0 = 1$$
, $Q_1 = 0$, $Q_2 = 0$ and $Q_3 = 0$

(B)

$$Q_0 = 0$$
, $Q_1 = 0$, $Q_2 = 0$ and $Q_3 = 1$

(c)
$$Q_0 = 1$$
, $Q_1 = 0$, $Q_2 = 1$ and $Q_3 = 0$

(D)
$$Q_0 = 0$$
, $Q_1 = 1$, $Q_2 = 1$ and $Q_3 = 1$

Q.No. 31 Consider the Lagrangian $L = a \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2 + b \left(\frac{dy}{dt} \right)^2 + cxy$, where a, b and c are

constants. If p_x and p_y are the momenta conjugate to the coordinates x and y respectively, then the Hamiltonian is

$$\frac{p_x^2}{4a} + \frac{p_y^2}{4b} - cxy$$

(B)
$$\frac{{p_x}^2}{2a} + \frac{{p_y}^2}{2b} - cxy$$

(c)
$$\frac{p_x^2}{2a} + \frac{p_y^2}{2b} + cxy$$

$$\frac{p_x^2}{a} + \frac{p_y^2}{b} + cxy$$

Q.No. 32 Which one of the following matrices does NOT represent a proper rotation in a plane?

(A)
$$\begin{pmatrix} -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \\ -\cos\theta & -\sin\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

(B)
$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\sin\theta & \cos\theta \\
-\cos\theta & \sin\theta
\end{pmatrix}$$

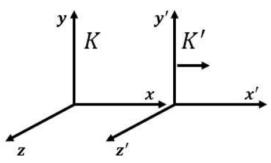
$$\begin{pmatrix}
-\sin\theta & \cos\theta \\
-\cos\theta & \sin\theta
\end{pmatrix}$$

Q.No. 33

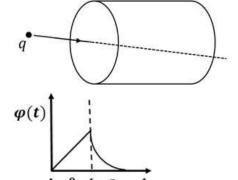
A uniform magnetic field $\vec{B} = B_0 \hat{y}$ exists in an inertial frame K. A perfect conducting sphere moves with a constant velocity $\vec{v} = v_0 \hat{x}$ with respect to this inertial frame. The rest frame of the sphere is K' (see figure). The electric and magnetic fields in K and K' are related as

$$\begin{vmatrix} \vec{E}_{||}' = \vec{E}_{||} & \vec{E}_{\perp}' = \gamma \left(\vec{E}_{\perp} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right) \\ \vec{B}_{||}' = \vec{B}_{||} & \vec{B}_{\perp}' = \gamma \left(\vec{B}_{\perp} - \frac{\vec{v}}{c^2} \times \vec{E} \right) \end{vmatrix}, \ \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}.$$

The induced surface charge density on the sphere (to the lowest order in v/c) in the frame K' is

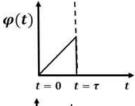


- (A) maximum along Z'
- (B) maximum along V'
- (c) maximum along x'
- (D) uniform over the sphere
- Q.No. 34 A charge q moving with uniform speed enters a cylindrical region in free space at t=0 and exits the region at $t=\tau$ (see figure). Which one of the following options best describes the time dependence of the total electric flux $\varphi(t)$, through the entire surface of the cylinder?

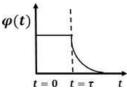


(B)

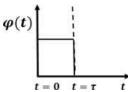
(A)







(D)



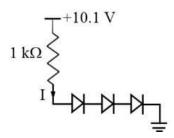
- Q.No. 35 Consider a one-dimensional non-magnetic crystal with one atom per unit cell. Assume that the valence electrons (i) do not interact with each other and (ii) interact weakly with the ions. If *n* is the number of valence electrons per unit cell, then at 0 K,
- (A) the crystal is metallic for any value of n
- (B) the crystal is non-metallic for any value of n
- (c) the crystal is metallic for even values of n
- (D) the crystal is metallic for odd values of n
- Q.No. 36 According to the Fermi gas model of the nucleus, the nucleons move in a spherical volume of radius R (= $R_0A^{\frac{1}{3}}$, where A is the mass number and R_0 is an empirical constant with the dimensions of length). The Fermi energy of the nucleus E_F is proportional to
- (A) R_0^2
- (B) $\frac{1}{R_0}$
- (C) $\frac{1}{R_0^2}$
- (D) $\frac{1}{R_0^3}$
- Q.No. 37 Consider a two dimensional crystal with 3 atoms in the basis. The number of allowed optical branches (n) and acoustic branches (m) due to the lattice vibrations are
- (A) (n, m) = (2, 4)
- (B) (n, m) = (3, 3)
- (c) (n, m) = (4, 2)
- (D) (n, m) = (1, 5)

- Q.No. 38 The internal energy U of a system is given by $U(S,V) = \lambda V^{-2/3}S^2$, where λ is a constant of appropriate dimensions; V and S denote the volume and entropy, respectively. Which one of the following gives the correct equation of state of the system?
- (A) $\frac{PV^{1/3}}{T^2} = constant$
- (B) $\frac{PV}{T^{1/3}} = constant$
- $\frac{P}{V^{1/3}T} = constant$
- $\frac{PV^{2/3}}{T} = constant$
- Q.No. 39 The potential energy of a particle of mass m is given by $U(x) = a\sin(k^2x \pi/2), \quad a>0, \quad k^2>0.$

The angular frequency of small oscillations of the particle about x = 0 is

- $k^2 \sqrt{\frac{2a}{m}}$
- $k^2 \sqrt{\frac{a}{m}}$
- $k^2 \sqrt{\frac{a}{2m}}$
- $2k^2\sqrt{\frac{a}{m}}$
- Q.No. 40 The radial wave function of a particle in a central potential is given by $R(r) = A\frac{r}{a} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{2a}\right), \text{ where } A \text{ is the normalization constant and } a \text{ is positive }$ constant of suitable dimensions. If γa is the most probable distance of the particle from the force center, the value of γ is _____.
- Q.No. 41 A free particle of mass M is located in a three-dimensional cubic potential well with impenetrable walls. The degeneracy of the fifth excited state of the particle is
- Q.No. 42

Consider the circuit given in the figure. Let the forward voltage drop across each diode be 0.7 V. The current I (in mA) through the resistor is _____.



- Q.No. 43 Let u^{μ} denote the 4-velocity of a relativistic particle whose square $u^{\mu}u_{\mu} = 1$. If $\varepsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$ is the Levi-Civita tensor then the value of $\varepsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}u^{\mu}u^{\nu}u^{\rho}u^{\sigma}$ is _____.
- Q.No. 44 Consider a simple cubic monoatomic Bravais lattice which has a basis with vectors $\overrightarrow{r_1} = 0$, $\overrightarrow{r_2} = \frac{a}{4}(\hat{x} + \hat{y} + \hat{z})$, a is the lattice parameter. The Bragg reflection is observed due to the change in the wave vector between the incident and the scattered beam as given by $\overrightarrow{K} = n_1 \overrightarrow{G_1} + n_2 \overrightarrow{G_2} + n_3 \overrightarrow{G_3}$, where $\overrightarrow{G_1}$, $\overrightarrow{G_2}$, and $\overrightarrow{G_3}$ are primitive reciprocal lattice vectors. For $n_1 = 3$, $n_2 = 3$ and $n_3 = 2$, the geometrical structure factor is ______.
- Q.No. 45 A plane electromagnetic wave of wavelength λ is incident on a circular loop of conducting wire. The loop radius is $a(a \ll \lambda)$. The angle (in degrees), made by the Poynting vector with the normal to the plane of the loop to generate a maximum induced electrical signal, is _____.
- Q.No. 46 An electron in a hydrogen atom is in the state n=3, l=2, m=-2. Let \hat{L}_y denote the y-component of the orbital angular momentum operator. If $(\Delta \hat{L}_y)^2 = \alpha \hbar^2$, the value of α is _____.
- Q.No. 47 A sinusoidal voltage of the form $V(t) = V_0 \cos(\omega t)$ is applied across a parallel plate capacitor placed in vacuum. Ignoring the edge effects, the induced *emf* within the region between the capacitor plates can be expressed as a power series in ω . The lowest non-vanishing exponent in ω is _____.
- Q.No. 48 If $x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sin kx$, for $-\pi \le x \le \pi$, the value of a_2 is _____.
- Q.No. 49

Let
$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < -\frac{1}{2n} \\ n, & -\frac{1}{2n} < x < \frac{1}{2n} \\ 0, & \frac{1}{2n} < x. \end{cases}$$

The value of $\lim_{n\to\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_n(x) \sin x \, dx$ is _____.

Q.No. 50 Consider the Hamiltonian $\hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}'$ where

$$\hat{H}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \hat{H}' \text{ is the time independent perturbation given by }$$

$$\hat{H}' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & k & 0 \\ k & 0 & k \\ 0 & k & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } k > 0. \text{ If, the maximum energy eigenvalue of } \hat{H} \text{ is 3 eV}$$

corresponding to E = 2 eV, the value of k (rounded off to three decimal places) in eV is _____.

- Q.No. 51 A hydrogen atom is in an orbital angular momentum state $|l,m=l\rangle$. If \vec{L} lies on a cone which makes a half angle 30° with respect to the z-axis, the value of l is .
- Q.No. 52 In the center of mass frame, two protons each having energy 7000 GeV, collide to produce protons and anti-protons. The maximum number of anti-protons produced is _____.

(Assume the proton mass to be $1 \, \text{GeV}/c^2$)

Q.No. 53 Consider a gas of hydrogen atoms in the atmosphere of the Sun where the temperature is 5800 K. If a sample from this atmosphere contains 6.023×10^{23} of hydrogen atoms in the ground state, the number of hydrogen atoms in the first excited state is approximately 8×10^n , where n is an integer. The value of n is _____.

(Boltzmann constant: 8.617×10⁻⁵ eV/K)

Q.No. 54

For a gas of non-interacting particles, the probability that a particle has a speed v in the interval v to v+dv is given by

$$f(v)dv = 4\pi v^2 dv \left(\frac{m}{2\pi k_B T}\right)^{3/2} e^{-mv^2/2k_B T}$$

If E is the energy of a particle, then the maximum in the corresponding energy distribution in units of E/k_BT occurs at _____ (rounded off to one decimal place).

Q.No. 55 The Planck's energy density distribution is given by $u(\omega) = \frac{\hbar \omega^3}{\pi^2 c^3 (e^{\hbar \omega/k_B T} - 1)}$.

At long wavelengths, the energy density of photons in thermal equilibrium with a cavity at temperature T varies as T^{α} , where α is ____.

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