

M.Sc. Physics Semester – 3 Examination
Phys-C-302 - {Advanced Quantum Mechanics and Statistical Mechanics}
Paper Code: 21709

Time: 01 Hour 30 Min

07 DEC 2020

Maximum Marks: 42

Note: Answer any three questions. Figures to the right indicate marks allotted.
 All symbols have their usual meaning.

1	a)	i) Write detailed note on the spin and helicity of a Dirac particle.	12
		ii) What is Gibbs paradox?	02
		OR	
	a)	i) Derive Dirac's relativistic equation for a free particle. Explain the term negative energy of Dirac particle.	10
		ii) Define: microstate, macrostate, ensemble, phase space.	04
2	a)	i) Give quantum mechanical definition of "ensemble". Define density matrix. Derive quantum-mechanical analogue of classical Liouville equation.	12
		ii) Write two properties of density matrix.	02
		OR	
	a)	i) For a linear harmonic oscillator, derive an equation for partition function, mean energy of the oscillator, and also interpret these results.	12
		ii) Discuss the concept of <i>entropy</i> using quantum mechanical microcanonical ensemble.	02
3	a)	i) What are phonons? Write detailed note on Debye theory of specific heat for solids.	10
		ii) Write detailed note on ultra-relativistic Bose gas.	04
		OR	
	a)	i) For black-body radiation, derive an expression for internal energy and hence derive Planck's distribution law.	10
		ii) Write note on relativistic Fermi gas.	04
4	a)	i) Based on Landau theory, write detailed note on the <i>superfluidity</i> , taking an example of liquid helium. What is <i>roton</i> ?	12
		ii) Write importance of Clausius-Clapeyron equation.	02
		OR	
	a)	i) Write detailed note on neutron stars and white dwarf stars. What is Chandrasekhar limit for limiting mass of a white dwarf star.	10
		ii) Explain with proper graphs P-V and P-T phase diagram of a substance. Discuss first- and second-order phase transition.	04