

B.Sc.-III (Physics)
Semester – V

Physics – PH-501

Paper – IX : Quantum and Laser Physics

Max. Marks: 40
Internal Assessment: 10
Time: 3 hours

Note:-

1. Nine Questions will be set in total
2. Question number 1 will be compulsory and will be based on the conceptual aspects of entire syllabus. This question may have five parts and the answer should be in brief but not in Yes/ No.
3. Four more questions are to be attempted, selecting one question out of two questions set from each unit. Each question may contain two or more parts.
4. 20% numerical problems are to be set.
5. Use of scientific (non-programmable) calculator is allowed.

Unit I: Origin quantum physics (Experimental basis)

Overview, scale of quantum physics, boundary between classical and quantum phenomena, Photon, Photoelectric effect, Compton effect (theory and result), Frank- Hertz experiment, de-Broglie hypothesis. Davisson and Germer experiment, ·G.P. Thomson experiment. Phase velocity, group velocity and their relation. Heisenberg's uncertainty principle. Time energy and angular momentum, position uncertainty. Uncertainty principle from de Broglie wave. (Wave-particle duality). Gamma Ray Microscope, Electron diffraction from a slit. Derivation of 1-D time-dependent Schrodinger wave equation (subject to force, free particle). Time-independent Schrodinger wave equation, eigen values, eigen functions, wave functions and its significance. Orthogonality and Normalization of function, concept of observer and operator. Expectation values of dynamical quantities, probability current density

Unit II: Application of Schrodinger wave equation:

- (i) Free particle in one-dimensional box (solution of Schrodinger wave equation, eigen functions, eigen values, quantization of energy and momentum, nodes and anti nodes, zero point energy).

- (ii) One dimensional step potential $E > V_0$ (Reflection and Transmission coefficient)
- (iii) One dimensional step potential $E < V_0$ (penetration depth calculation).
- (iv) One dimensional potential barrier, $E > V_0$ (Reflection and Transmission coefficient)
- (v) One-dimensional potential barrier, $E < V_0$ (penetration or tunneling coefficient).
- (vi) Solution of Schrodinger equation for harmonic oscillator (quantization of energy, Zero-point energy, wave equation for ground state and excited states).

Unit III: Laser Physics –I

Absorption and emission of radiation, Main features of a laser: Directionality, high intensity, high degree of coherence, spatial and temporal coherence, Einstein's coefficients and possibility of amplification, momentum transfer, life time of a level, kinetics of optical absorption ((two and three level rate equation, Fuchbauer landerburg formula).population inversion: A necessary condition for light amplification, resonance cavity, laser pumping, Threshold condition for laser emission, line broadening mechanism, homogeneous and inhomogeneous line broadening (natural, collision and Doppler broadening).

Unit IV: Laser Physics – II

He-Ne laser and RUBY laser (Principle, Construction and working), Optical properties of semiconductor, Semiconductor laser (Principle, Construction and working), Applications of lasers in the field of medicine and industry.

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