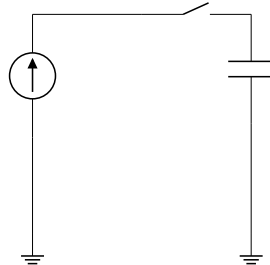


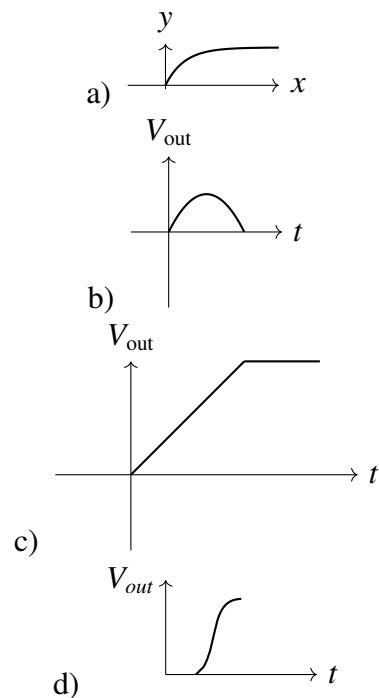
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40. The figure shows a current source charging a capacitor that is initially uncharged

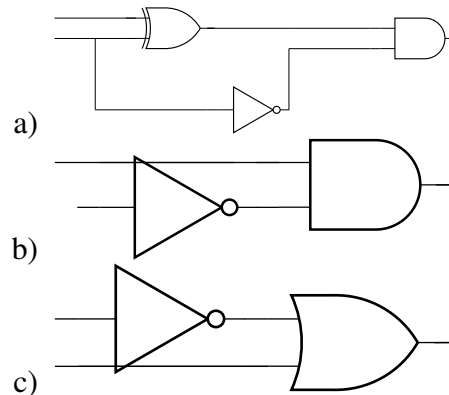


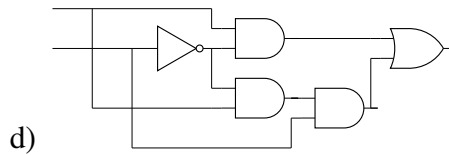
If the switch is closed at $t = 0$, which of the following plots depicts correctly the output voltage of the circuit as a function of time? (2010 – PH)



41. For any set of inputs, A and B , the following circuits give the same output, Q , except one. Which one is it?

(2010 – PH)





42. CO_2 molecule has the first few energy levels uniformly separated by approximately 2.5 meV. At a temperature of 300K, the ratio of the number of molecules in the 4th excited state to the number in the 2nd excited state is about (2010 – PH)

- a) 0.5
- b) 0.6
- c) 0.8
- d) 0.9

43. Which among the following sets of Maxwell relations is correct? (U – internal energy, H – enthalpy, A – Helmholtz free energy) (2010 – PH)

- a) $T = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_S$ and $P = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S}\right)_V$
- b) $V = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial P}\right)_S$ and $T = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial S}\right)_P$
- c) $P = -\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial V}\right)_T$ and $V = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial P}\right)_S$
- d) $T = -\left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial S}\right)_T$ and $V = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial P}\right)_S$

44. For a spin- s particle, the the eigen basis of $\vec{S} \cdot \hat{S}$, the expectation value $\langle sm | S^2 | sm \rangle$ is (2010 – PH)

- a) $\frac{\hbar^2 \{s(s+1) - m^2\}}{2}$
- b) $\hbar^2 \{s(s+1) - 2m^2\}$
- c) $\hbar^2 \{s(s+1) - m^2\}$
- d) $\hbar^2 m^2$

45. A particle is placed in a region with potential $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}kx^2 - \frac{\lambda}{3}x^3$, where $k, \lambda > 0$. Then, (2010 – PH)

- a) $x = 0$ and $x = \frac{k}{\lambda}$ are points of stable equilibrium
- b) $x = 0$ is a point of stable equilibrium and $x = \frac{k}{\lambda}$ is a point of unstable equilibrium
- c) $x = 0$ and $x = \frac{k}{\lambda}$ are points of unstable equilibrium
- d) There are no points of stable or unstable equilibrium

46. A π meson at rest decays into two photons, which move along x -axis. They are both detected simultaneously after time, $t = 10s$. In an inertial frame moving with velocity $V = 0.6c$ in the direction of one of the photons, the interval between the two detections is (2010 – PH)

- a) 15s
- b) 0s
- c) 10s
- d) 20s

47. A particle of mass m is confined in an infinite potential well:

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < x < L, \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

It is subjected to a perturbing potential $V_p = V_0 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right)$ within the well. Let E^1 and E^2 be the corrections to the ground state energy in the first and second order in V_0 , respectively. Which of the following are true (2010 – PH)

- a) $E^1 = 0, E^2 < 0$
- b) $E^1 > 0, E^2 = 0$
- c) $E^1 = 0, E^2$ depends in the sign of V_0
- d) $E^1 < 0, E^2 < 0$

I. COMMON DATA QUESTIONS

Common Data for Questions 48 and 49

In the presence of a weak magnetic field, atomic hydrogen undergoes the transition :

$$^2P_{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow ^1S_{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (2)$$

by the emission of radiation.

48. The number of lines that are observed in the Zeeman spectrum is (2010 – PH)

- a) 2
- b) 3
- c) 4
- d) 6

49. The spectral line corresponding to the transition

$$^2P_{\frac{1}{2}} \left(m_j = +\frac{1}{2} \right) \rightarrow ^1S_{\frac{1}{2}} \left(m_j = -\frac{1}{2} \right) \quad (3)$$

is observed along the direction of the applied magnetic field. The emitted electromagnetic field is (2010 – PH)

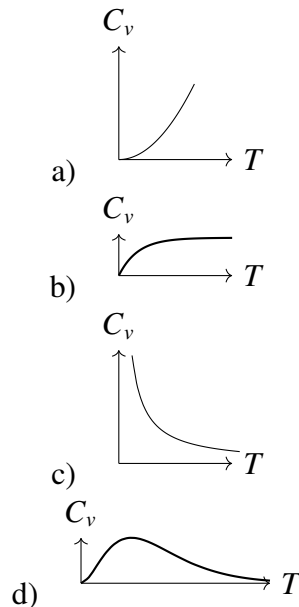
- a) Circularly polarized
- b) Linearly polarized
- c) unpolarized
- d) Not emitted along the magnetic field direction

Common Data for Questions 50 and 51

The partition function for a gas of photons is given by

$$\ln Z = \frac{\pi^2 V (k_B T)^3}{45 \hbar^3 C^3} \quad (4)$$

50. The specific heat of the photon gas varies with temperature as (2010 – PH)



51. The pressure of the photon gas is (2010 – PH)

- a) $\frac{\pi^2 (k_B T)^3}{15 \hbar^3 C^3}$
- b) $\frac{\pi^2 (k_B T)^4}{8 \hbar^3 C^3}$
- c) $\frac{\pi^2 (k_B T)^4}{45 \hbar^3 C^3}$
- d) $\frac{\pi (k_B T)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{45 \hbar^3 C^3}$

II. LINKED ANSWER QUESTIONS

Statement for Linked Answer Questions 52 , 53

Consider the propagation of electromagnetic waves in a linear, homogeneous and isotropic material medium with the electric permittivity ϵ and magnetic permeability μ .

52. For a plane wave of angular frequency ω and propagation vector \mathbf{k} propagating in the medium Maxwell's equations reduce to (2010 – PH)
- a) $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0, \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} = \omega\epsilon\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{H} = -\omega\mu\mathbf{E}$
 - b) $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0, \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} = -\omega\epsilon\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{H} = \omega\mu\mathbf{E}$
 - c) $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0, \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} = -\omega\mu\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{H} = \omega\epsilon\mathbf{E}$
 - d) $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0, \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} = \omega\mu\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{H} = -\omega\epsilon\mathbf{E}$