

# PHYSICS -2008

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- 1) A circular disc of radius  $a$  on the  $xy$  plane has a surface charge density  $\sigma = \frac{\sigma_0 r \cos \theta}{a}$ . The electric dipole moment of this charge distribution is
- a)  $\frac{\sigma_0 \pi a^4}{4} \hat{x}$       b)  $\frac{\sigma_0 \pi a^3}{4} \hat{x}$       c)  $-\frac{\sigma_0 \pi a^3}{4} \hat{x}$       d)  $-\frac{\sigma_0 \pi a^4}{4} \hat{x}$
- 2) At time  $t = 0$ , a charge distribution  $\rho(\mathbf{r}, 0)$  exists within an ideal homogeneous conductor of permittivity  $\epsilon$  and conductivity  $\sigma$ . At a later time  $\rho(\mathbf{r}, t)$  is given by
- a)  $\rho(\mathbf{r}, t) = \rho(\mathbf{r}, 0) \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma t}{\epsilon}\right)$       c)  $\rho(\mathbf{r}, t) = \rho(\mathbf{r}, 0) \exp\left[-\left(\frac{\sigma t}{\epsilon}\right)^2\right]$   
b)  $\rho(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}, 0)}{1 + (\sigma t / \epsilon)^2}$       d)  $\rho(\mathbf{r}, t) = \rho(\mathbf{r}, 0) \frac{\epsilon}{\sigma t} \sin\left(\frac{\sigma t}{\epsilon}\right)$
- 3) A nonrelativistic charged particle moves along the positive  $x$ -axis with a constant positive acceleration  $a\hat{x}$ . The particle is at the origin at  $t = 0$ . Radiation is observed at  $t = 0$  at a distant point  $(0, d, 0)$  on the  $y$ -axis. Which one of the following statements is correct?
- a) The radiation is unpolarized.  
b) The radiation is plane polarized with polarization parallel to the  $x$ -axis.  
c) The radiation is plane polarized with polarization parallel to the  $xy$  plane along a line inclined to the  $x$  axis.  
d) The radiation is elliptically polarized.
- 4) For a physical system, two observables  $O_1$  and  $O_2$  are known to be compatible. Choose the correct implication from amongst those given below:
- a) Every eigenstate of  $O_1$  must necessarily be an eigenstate of  $O_2$ .  
b) Every non-degenerate eigenstate of  $O_1$  must necessarily be an eigenstate of  $O_2$ .  
c) When an observation of  $O_1$  is carried out on an arbitrary state  $|\Psi\rangle$  of the physical system, a subsequent observation of  $O_2$  leads to an unambiguous result.  
d) Observation of  $O_1$  and  $O_2$ , carried out on an arbitrary state  $|\Psi\rangle$  of the physical system, lead to the identical results irrespective of the order in which the observations are made.
- 5) An exact measurement of the position of a simple harmonic oscillator (SHO) is made with the result  $x = x_0$ . [The SHO has energy levels  $E_n (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$  and associated normalized wavefunctions  $\psi_n$ ]. Subsequently, an exact measurement of energy  $E$  is made. Using the general notation  $Pr(E = E')$  denoting the probability that a result  $E'$  is obtained for this measurement, the following statements are written. Which one of the following statements is correct?

- a)  $Pr(E = E_0) = 0$                       c)  $Pr(E = E_n) \propto \psi_n(x)$   
 b)  $Pr(E = E_n) = 1$  for some value of  $n$ .    d)  $Pr(E > E'') > 0$  for any  $E''$ .

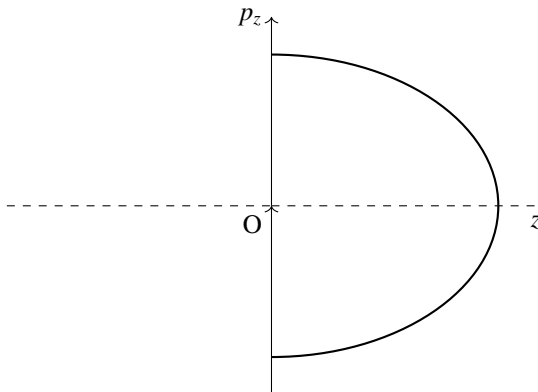
6) Consider the combined system of proton and electron in the hydrogen atom in its (electronic) ground state. Let  $I$  denote the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum and let  $\alpha$  denote the magnitude of the expectation value of the net magnetic moment in the state. Which of the following pairs represents a possible state of the system ( $\mu_B$  is Bohr magneton)?

- a)  $I = 0, \alpha = 0$             b)  $I = \frac{1}{2}, \alpha = 1\mu_B$     c)  $I = 1, \alpha = 1\mu_B$     d)  $I = 0, \alpha = 2\mu_B$

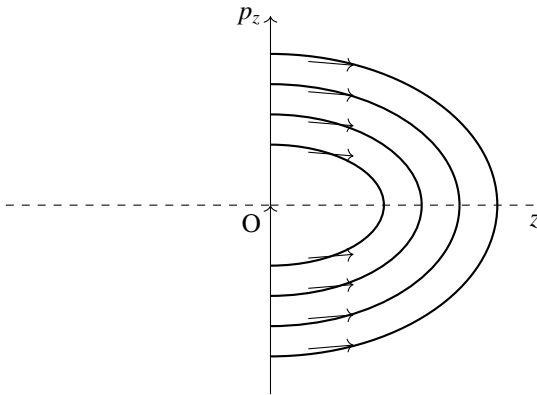
7) A particle is placed in a one dimensional box of size  $L$  along the  $x$ -axis ( $0 < x < L$ ). Which of the following is true?

- a) In the ground state, the probability of finding the particle in the interval  $(\frac{L}{4}, \frac{3L}{4})$  is half.  
 b) In the first excited state, the probability of finding the particle in the interval  $(\frac{L}{4}, \frac{3L}{4})$  is half. This also holds for states with  $n = 4, 6, 8, \dots$   
 c) For an arbitrary state  $|\Psi\rangle$ , the probability of finding the particle in the left half of the well is half.  
 d) In the ground state, the particle has a definite momentum.

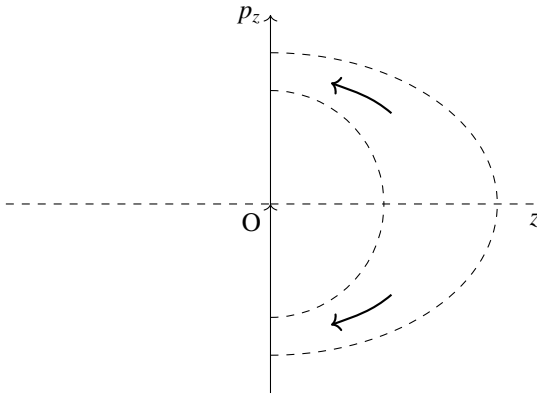
8) A calculator has accuracy up to 8 digits after decimal place. The value of  $\int_0^{2\pi} \sin x dx$  when evaluated using this calculator by trapezoidal method with 8 equal intervals, to 5 significant digits is



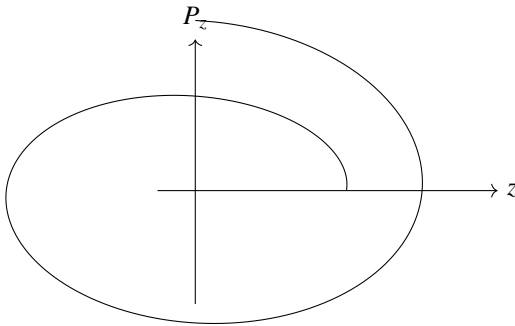
a)



b)



c)



d)

9) A system containing  $N$  non-interacting localized particles of spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  and magnetic moment  $\mu$  each is kept in constant external magnetic field  $B$  and in thermal equilibrium at temperature  $T$ . The magnetization of the system is,

a)  $N\mu \coth \frac{\mu B}{k_B T}$

b)  $N\mu \tanh \frac{\mu B}{k_B T}$

c)  $N\mu \sinh \frac{\mu B}{k_B T}$

d)  $N\mu \cosh \frac{\mu B}{k_B T}$

10) Two identical particles have to be distributed among three energy levels. Let  $r_B, r_F$  and  $r_C$  represent the ratios of probability of finding two particles to that of finding one particle in a given energy state. The subscripts  $B, F$  and  $C$  correspond to whether the

particles are bosons, fermions and classical particles, respectively. Then,  $r_B : r_F : r_C$  is equal to

- a)  $\frac{1}{2} : 0 : 1$       b)  $1 : \frac{1}{2} : 1$       c)  $1 : \frac{1}{2} : \frac{1}{2}$       d)  $1 : 0 : \frac{1}{2}$

- 11) A photon gas is at thermal equilibrium at temperature  $T$ . The mean number of photons in an energy state  $\varepsilon = \hbar\omega$  is

- a)  $\exp(\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}) + 1$       b)  $\exp(\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}) - 1$       c)  $(\exp(\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}) + 1)^{-1}$       d)  $(\exp(\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}) - 1)^{-1}$

- 12) Consider a system of  $N$  atoms of an ideal gas of type  $A$  at temperature  $T$  and volume  $V$ . It is kept in diffusive contact with another system of  $N$  atoms of another ideal gas of type  $B$  at the same temperature  $T$  and volume  $V$ . Once the combined system reaches equilibrium,

- a) the total entropy of the final system is the same as the sum of the entropy of the individual system always.  
b) the entropy of mixing is  $2Nk_B \ln 2$ .  
c) the entropy of the final system is less than that of sum of the initial entropies of the two gases.  
d) *the entropy of mixing is non-zero when the atoms  $A$  and  $B$  are of the same type.*

- 13) Consider a system of two non-interacting classical particles which can occupy any of the three energy levels with energy values  $E = 0, \varepsilon$  and  $2\varepsilon$  having degeneracies  $g(E) = 1, 2$  and  $4$  respectively. The mean energy of the system is

- a)  $\varepsilon \frac{4 \exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T) + 8 \exp(-2\varepsilon/k_B T)}{1 + 2 \exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T) + 4 \exp(-2\varepsilon/k_B T)}$   
b)  $\varepsilon \left( \frac{2 \exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T) + 4 \exp(-2\varepsilon/k_B T)}{1 + 2 \exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T) + 4 \exp(-2\varepsilon/k_B T)} \right)^2$   
c)  $\varepsilon \left( \frac{2 \exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T) + 8 \exp(-2\varepsilon/k_B T)}{1 + 2 \exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T) + 4 \exp(-2\varepsilon/k_B T)} \right)$   
d)  $\varepsilon \left( \frac{\exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T) + 2 \exp(-2\varepsilon/k_B T)}{1 + \exp(-\varepsilon/k_B T) + \exp(-2\varepsilon/k_B T)} \right)$

- 14) Three consecutive absorption lines at  $64.275 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $77.130 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $89.985 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  have been observed in a microwave spectrum for a linear rigid diatomic molecule. The moments of inertia  $I_A$  and  $I_B$  are ( $I_A$  is with respect to the bond axis passing through the centre of mass and  $I_B$  is with respect to an axis passing through the centre of mass and perpendicular to bond axis)

- a) both equal to  $\frac{\hbar^2}{12.855hc} \text{ gm cm}^2$   
b) zero and  $\frac{\hbar^2}{12.855hc} \text{ gm cm}^2$   
c) both equal to  $\frac{\hbar^2}{6.427hc} \text{ gm cm}^2$   
d) zero and  $\frac{\hbar^2}{6.427hc} \text{ gm cm}^2$

- 15) A pure rotational Raman spectrum of a linear diatomic molecule is recorded using electromagnetic radiation of frequency  $\nu_e$ . The frequency of two consecutive Stokes lines are

a)  $\nu_e - 10B, \nu_e - 14B$

c)  $\nu_e + 10B, \nu_e + 14B$

b)  $\nu_e - 2B, \nu_e - 4B$

d)  $\nu_e + 2B, \nu_e + 4B$

- 16) Which one of the following statement is Incorrect in vibrational spectroscopy with anharmonotonicity?
- a) The selection rule for vibrational spectroscopy is  $\Delta v = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
  - b) Anharmonicity leads to multiple absorption lines
  - c) The intensities of hot band lines are stronger than the fundamental absorption
  - d) The frequencies of hot band lines are smaller than the fundamental absorption
- 17) The molecular spectra of two linear molecules O-C-O and O-C-S are recorded in the micro wave region. Which one of the following is correct?
- a) Both would show absorption lines
  - b) Both would not show absorption lines
  - c) O-C-O would show absorption lines, but not O-C-S.
  - d) O-C-S would show absorption lines , but not O-C-O.