Gate Questions

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1) The energy levels of a particle of mass m in a potential of the form
$V(x) = \begin{cases} \infty, & x \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 x^2, & x > 0 \end{cases}$
are given, in terms of quantum number $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots,$ by [February 2007]
   a) $\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\hbar\omega$
   b) $\left(2n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\hbar\omega$
   c) $\left(2n + \frac{3}{2}\right)\hbar\omega$
   d) $\left(n + \frac{3}{2}\right)\hbar\omega$
2) The electromagnetic field due to a point change must be described by Lienard-Weichert potentials when [February 2007]
   a) the point charge is highly accelerated.
   b) the electric and magnetic fields are not perpendicular.
   c) the point charge is moving with velocity close to that of light.
   d) the calculation is done for the radiation zone, i.e far away from the charge.
3) The strangeness quantum numbers is conserved in [February 2007]
   a) strong,weak and electromagnetic interactions .
   b) weak and electromagnetic interactions only.
   c) strong and weak interactions only.
   d) strong and electromagnetic interactions only.
4) The eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ are [February 2007]
   a) $6, 1$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$
   b) $2, 5$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$
   c) $6, 1$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$
   d) $2, 5$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

5) A vector field is defined everywhere as $\left(F\right) = -\frac{y^2}{L}\hat{i} + z\hat{k}$. The net flux of $\left(F\right)$ associated with a cube of side L, with one vertex at the origin and sides along the positive X, Y, and Z axes, is [February 2007]
   a) $2L^3$
   b) $10L^3$
   c) $4L^3$
   d) None of the above

6) If $\left(r\right) = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}$, then [February 2007]
   a) $\nabla \cdot \left(r\right) = 0$ and $\nabla \left|\left(r\right)\right| = \frac{\left(r\right)}{r}$
   b) $\nabla \cdot \left(r\right) = 2$ and $\nabla \left|\left(r\right)\right| = \hat{r}$
   c) $\nabla \cdot \left(r\right) = 2$ and $\nabla \left|\left(r\right)\right| = \frac{\left(r\right)}{r}$
   d) $\nabla \cdot \left(r\right) = 3$ and $\nabla \left|\left(r\right)\right| = \frac{\left(r\right)}{r}$

7) Consider a vector $\left(p\right) = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ in the coordinate system $\left(\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}\right)$. The axes are rotated anti-clockwise about the Y axis by an angle of $60°$. The vector $\left(p\right)$ in the rotated coordinate system $(\hat{i}', \hat{j}', \hat{k}')$ is [February 2007]
   a) $\left(1 - \sqrt{3}\right)\hat{i}' + 3\hat{j}' + \left(1 + \sqrt{3}\right)\hat{k}'$
   b) $\left(1 + \sqrt{3}\right)\hat{i}' + 3\hat{j}' + \left(1 - \sqrt{3}\right)\hat{k}'$
   c) $\left(1 - \sqrt{3}\right)\hat{i}' + \left(3 + \sqrt{3}\right)\hat{j}' + 2\hat{k}'$
   d) $\left(1 - \sqrt{3}\right)\hat{i}' + \left(3 - \sqrt{3}\right)\hat{j}' + 2\hat{k}'$

8) The contour integral $\oint \frac{dz}{z^4+a^4}$ is to be evaluated on a circle of radius $2a$ centered at the origin. It will have contributions only from the points [February 2007]
   a) $\frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}a \text{and} \frac{1-i}{\sqrt{2}}a$
   b) ia and $-ia$
   c) ia,-ia, $\frac{-i}{\sqrt{2}}a \text{and} \frac{1-i}{\sqrt{2}}a$
   d) $\frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}a, \frac{1-i}{\sqrt{2}}a, \frac{-i}{\sqrt{2}}a \text{and} \frac{1-i}{\sqrt{2}}a$

9) Inverse Laplace transform of $\left(\frac{s+1}{s^2-4}\right)$ is [February 2007]
   a) $\cos 2x + \frac{1}{2}\sin 2x$
   b) $\cos x + \frac{1}{2}\sin x$
   c) $\cosh x + \frac{1}{2}\sinh x$
   d) $\cosh 2x + \frac{1}{2}\sinh 2x$

10) The points, where the series solution of the Legendre differential equation

$$(1 - x^2)\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{3}{2}\left(\frac{3}{2} + 1\right)y = 0$$

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will diverge, are located at
   a) $0 \text{and} 1$
   b) $0 \text{and} - 1$
   c) $-1 \text{and} 1$

d) $\frac{3}{2}$ and $\frac{5}{2}$

11) Solution of the differential equation $x\frac{dy}{dx} + y = x^4$, with the boundary condition that $y = 1$ at $x = 1$, is [February 2007]

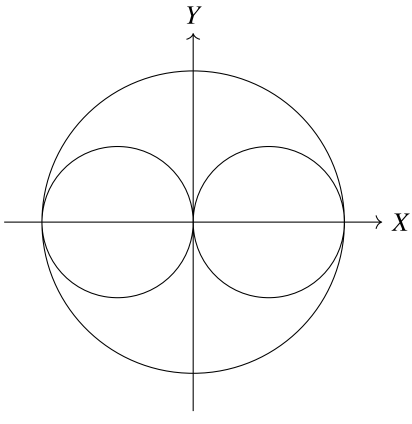
a) $y = 5x^4 - 4$
b) $y = \frac{x^4}{5} + \frac{4x}{5}$
c) $y = \frac{4x^4}{5} + \frac{1}{5x}$
d) $y = \frac{x^4}{5} + \frac{4}{5x}$

12) Match the following [February 2007]

P.	rest mass	1.	timelike vector
Q.	charge	2.	Lorentz invariant
R.	four-momentum	3.	tensor of rank 2
S.	electromagnetic field	4.	conserved and Lorentz invariant

a) $P - 2, Q - 4, R - 3, S - 1$
b) $P - 4, Q - 2, R - 1, S - 3$
c) $P - 2, Q - 4, R - 1, S - 3$
d) $P - 4, Q - 2, R - 3, S - 1$

13) The moment of inertia of a uniform sphere of radius r about an axis passing through its center is given by $\frac{2}{5}\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}r^3\rho\right)$
A rigid sphere of uniform mass density *rho* and radius R has two smaller spheres of radius $R/2$ hollowed out of it, as shown in the figure. The moment of inertia of the resulting body about the Y axis is: [February 2007]



a) $\frac{\pi\rho R^5}{4}$
b) $\frac{5\pi\rho R^5}{12}$
c) $\frac{7\pi\rho R^5}{12}$
d) $\frac{3\pi\rho R^5}{4}$

14) The Lagrangian of a particle of mass m is

$$L = \frac{m}{2}\left(\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}^2\right)\right) - \frac{V}{2}\left(x^2 + y^2\right) + W\sin\omega t$$

where V , W , and ω are constants. The conserved quantities are: [February 2007]

a) energy and z-component of linear momentum only.
b) energy and z-component of angular momentum only.
c) z-components of both linear and angular momenta only.
d) energy and z-components of both linear and angular momenta.

15) Three particles of mass m , each situated at $x_1(t)$, $x_2(t)$, and $x_3(t)$ respectively, are connected by two springs of spring constant k and un-stretched length ℓ. The system is free to oscillate only in one dimension along the straight line joining all three particles. The Lagrangian of the system is: [February 2007]

a) $L = \frac{m}{2}\left[\left(\frac{dx_1}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dx_2}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dx_3}{dt}\right)^2\right] - \frac{k}{2}(x_1 - x_2 - \ell)^2 - \frac{k}{2}(x_3 - x_2 - \ell)^2$
b) $L = \frac{m}{2}\left[\left(\frac{dx_1}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dx_2}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dx_3}{dt}\right)^2\right] - \frac{k}{2}(x_1 - x_3 - \ell)^2 - \frac{k}{2}(x_3 - x_2 - \ell)^2$
c) $L = \frac{m}{2}\left[\left(\frac{dx_1}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dx_2}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dx_3}{dt}\right)^2\right] - \frac{k}{2}(x_1 - x_2 + \ell)^2 - \frac{k}{2}(x_3 - x_2 + \ell)^2$
d) $L = \frac{m}{2}\left[\left(\frac{dx_1}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dx_2}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dx_3}{dt}\right)^2\right] - \frac{k}{2}(x_1 - x_2 - \ell)^2 - \frac{k}{2}(x_3 - x_2 + \ell)^2$

16) The Hamiltonian of a particle is $H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + pq$, where q is the generalized coordinate and p is the corresponding canonical momentum.
The Lagrangian is [February 2007]

a) $\frac{m}{2}\left(\frac{dq}{dt} + q\right)^2$
b) $\frac{m}{2}\left(\frac{dq}{dt} - q\right)^2$
c) $\frac{m}{2}\left(\frac{dq}{dt}\right)^2 + q\frac{dq}{dt} - q^2$
d) $\frac{m}{2}\left(\frac{dq}{dt}\right)^2 - q\frac{dq}{dt} + q^2$

17) A toroidal coil has N closely-wound turns. Assume the current through the coil to be I and the toroid is filled with a magnetic material of relative permittivity μ_r . The magnitude of magnetic induction $\left(B\right)$ inside the toroid, at a radial distance r from the axis, is given by [February 2007]

a) $\mu_r\mu_0 NIr$
b) $\frac{\mu_r\mu_0 NI}{r}$
c) $\frac{\mu_r\mu_0 NI}{2\pi r}$
d) $\frac{2\pi\mu_r\mu_0 NIr}{r}$