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**ZCT 205/3 – Quantum Mechanics**  
***[Mekanik Kuantum]***

Duration: 3 hours  
*[Masa : 3 jam]*

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Please ensure that this examination paper contains **FIVE** printed pages before you begin the examination.

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**Instruction:** Answer all **SIX** questions. Students are allowed to answer all questions in Bahasa Malaysia or in English.

**Arahan:** *Jawab semua **ENAM** soalan. Pelajar dibenarkan menjawab semua soalan sama ada dalam Bahasa Malaysia atau Bahasa Inggeris.]*

1. (a) Discuss how Planck's theory explains the black body phenomenon.  
*[Bincangkan bagaimana teori Planck menerangkan fenomena jasad hitam.]*  
 (50/100)
- (b) Explain de Broglie's hypothesis of duality nature of particles.  
*[Jelaskan hipotesis keadaan dualiti zarah de Broglie.]*  
 (50/100)
2. (a) Clarify the postulates of quantum mechanics.  
*[Jelaskan postulat-postulat mekanik kuantum.]*  
 (50/100)
- (b) (i) Define Hermitian operator.  
*[Berikan definisi operator Hermitian.]*
- (ii) Prove that two eigen functions for a Hermitian operator is orthogonal if the corresponding eigen values are different.  
*[Buktikan yang dua fungsi eigen untuk operator Hermitian adalah ortogonal jika nilai-nilai eigen bersepadanan adalah berbeza.]*  
 (30/100)
- (c)  $\hat{A}$ ,  $\hat{B}$  and  $\hat{C}$  are Hermitian operators. Determine whether  
*[ $\hat{A}$ ,  $\hat{B}$  dan  $\hat{C}$  adalah operator Hermitian. Tentukan sama ada]*
- (i)  $(\hat{A}\hat{B}\hat{C})^+$
- (ii)  $(\hat{A}\hat{B} + \hat{B}\hat{A})^+$
- are hermitian operators  
*[adalah operator Hermitian]*  
 (20/100)
3. (a) Show that two commutative operators have the same set of eigen functions.  
*[Tunjukkan bahawa dua operator komutatif mempunyai set fungsi eigen yang sama.]*  
 (30/100)

- (b) Show that  
*[Tunjukkan bahawa]*
- (i)  $\hat{P}_x$  and  $\hat{x}$  are not commutative.  
*[ $\hat{P}_x$  dan  $\hat{x}$  adalah tak komutatif.]*
- (ii)  $\hat{P}_x$  and  $\hat{P}_y$  are commutative.  
*[ $\hat{P}_x$  dan  $\hat{P}_y$  adalah komutatif.]*
- (20/100)
- (c) Using the relationship of non-commutative commutator, derive the Heisenberg uncertainty relationship.  
*[Menggunakan perhubungan komutator tak-komutatif, terbitkan perhubungan ketidakpastian Heisenberg.]*
- (50/100)
4. (a) Starting by assuming the wave function for a “free particle” along the x direction is in the form of  $\psi = Be^{-i(\omega t - kx)}$ ,  
*[Dengan menganggap fungsi gelombang untuk “zarah bebas” sepanjang arah x dalam bentuk  $\psi = Be^{-i(\omega t - kx)}$ ,]*
- (i) derive the 3-D time-dependent Schrödinger Equation.  
*[terbitkan Persamaan Schrödinger 3-D bersandar masa.]*
- (50/100)
- (ii) show that the Hamiltonian operator,  $H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2 + V(r)$ .  
*[tunjukkan bahawa operator Hamiltonian  $H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2 + V(r)$ .]*
- (40/100)

- (b) If the  $\psi_1(x,t)$  and  $\psi_2(x,t)$  are the solutions for Schrödinger Equation with potential energy of  $V(x)$ , show that the linear combination  $\psi(x,t) = a_1\psi_1(x,t) + a_2\psi_2(x,t)$  is also the solution for Schrödinger Equation with  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are constants.

[Jika  $\psi_1(x,t)$  dan  $\psi_2(x,t)$  adalah penyelesaian-penyelesaian bagi Persamaan Schrödinger dengan tenaga keupayaan  $V(x)$ , tunjukkan bahawa gabungan linear  $\psi(x,t) = a_1\psi_1(x,t) + a_2\psi_2(x,t)$  adalah juga penyelesaian bagi Persamaan Schrödinger dengan  $a_1$  dan  $a_2$  adalah pemalar.]

(10/100)

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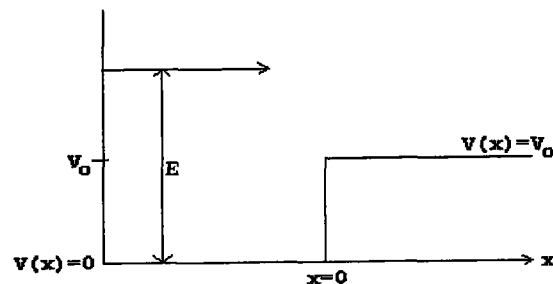


Figure 1 [Rajah 1]

- (a) Determine the reflection,  $R$  and transmission,  $T$  factors for the system in Figure 1 when  $E > V_0$ .

[Tentukan faktor-faktor pantulan,  $R$  dan transmisi,  $T$  untuk sistem dalam Rajah 1 bila  $E > V_0$ .]

(50/100)

- (b) A particle moves freely in a one-dimensional region of length  $L$  and the potential of this system given as

[Suatu zarah bergerak bebas dalam kawasan satu dimensi dengan panjang  $L$  dan keupayaan sistem diberikan sebagai]

$$V = 0 \text{ for [untuk] } 0 \leq x \leq L$$

$$V = \infty \text{ otherwise. [sebaliknya.]}$$

The time-dependent Schrödinger Equation for this region is

[Persamaan Schrödinger bersandar masa untuk kawasan ini adalah]

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \psi'(x,t) + V(x)\psi'(x,t) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi'(x,t).$$

Determine the energy and wave function of this system.

[Tentukan tenaga dan fungsi gelombang untuk sistem ini.]

(50/100)

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6. (a) Discuss three (3) examples of the concept of tunneling effect.  
 [Bincangkan tiga (3) contoh konsep kesan penerowongan.] (50/100)

- (b) The time-independent Schrödinger Equation for an isotropic 3-D harmonic oscillator is  $\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + \frac{1}{2} k r^2 \right] \psi(\vec{r}) = E \psi(\vec{r})$ .  
 [Persamaan Schrödinger tak bersandar masa untuk suatu ayunan harmonik 3-D isotropik adalah  $\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + \frac{1}{2} k r^2 \right] \psi(\vec{r}) = E \psi(\vec{r})$ .]

Show that the energy of the system is discrete with the ground state of  $3/2\hbar\omega_0$ .

[Tunjukkan bahawa tenaga dalam sistem ini adalah diskrit dengan tenaga paras rendah  $3/2\hbar\omega_0$ .]

(50/100)