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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.

*[Sila pastikan bahawa kertas peperiksaan ini mengandungi **LIMA** muka surat yang bercetak sebelum anda memulakan peperiksaan ini.]*

**Instruction:** Answer **ALL SIX (6)** questions. Students are allowed to answer all questions in Bahasa Malaysia or in English.

**Arahan:** Jawab **SEMUA ENAM (6)** yang diberikan. Pelajar dibenarkan menjawab semua soalan sama ada dalam Bahasa Malaysia atau Bahasa Inggeris.]

1. (a) Explain in details the photo-electric effect. Explain clearly how quantum concepts are able to explain the experimental results of the photo-electric effect.  
*[Perihalkan secara terperinci kesan fotoelektrik. Terangkan secara jelas bagaimana konsep-konsep kuantum dapat menjelaskan keputusan-keputusan eksperimen kesan fotoelektri.]*  
(60/100)
- (b) Give three other experiments which demonstrate the failure of Classical Physics that required Quantum Mechanics to explain the experimental results. Explain briefly on each case.  
*[Berikan tiga lain eksperimen yang menunjukkan kegagalan konsep Fizik Klasik yang memerlukan Mekanik Kuantum untuk menjelaskan keputusan-keputusan eksperimen. Terangkan secara ringkas tentang setiap kes.]*  
(40/60)
2. (a) State the postulates of Quantum Mechanics.  
*[Nyatakan postulat-postulat Mekanik Kuantum]*  
(35/100)
- (b) Derive the time-dependent 1-D Schrodinger Equation by assuming that the wave function of a free entity travelling along the positive x-axis is given by  
 $\varphi = Ae^{-i(\omega t - kx)}$ .  
*[Terbitkan Persamaan Schrodinger 1-D bersandar masa dengan menganggapkan bahawa fungsi gelombang bagi suatu entiti bebas yang bergerak ke paksi-x positif diberikan dengan  $\varphi = Ae^{-i(\omega t - kx)}$ .*  
(50/100)
- (c) Derive further the time-independent Schrodinger Equation.  
*[Terbitkan seterusnya Persamaan Schrodinger tak-bersandar masa.]*  
(15/100)
3. (a) State precisely the Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle.  
*[Nyatakan dengan tepat Prinsip Ketakpastian Heisenberg.]*  
(25/100)

- (b) Prove that the eigenvalues of a Hermitian operator are real.  
*[Buktikan bahawa nilai eigen-nilai eigen sesuatu operator Hermitian semestinya hakiki.]*  
(25/100)
- (c) Starting from the Principle of conservation of probabilities and using the Continuous Theorem,  $-\nabla \vec{J} = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$ , derive the expression in 1-D for the probability density current, S. What is this expression,  $\vec{S}$ , in 3-D?  
*[Dengan menggunakan Prinsip Keabadian Kebarangkalian dan merujuk kepada Persamaan Keselarasan,  $-\nabla \vec{J} = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$ , terbitkan bentuk arus ketumpatan kebarangkalian, S, di dalam 1-D. Apakah bentuk  $\vec{S}$  di dalam 3-D?]*  
(50/100)
4. (a) Describe in details the meanings of 'Pure State' and 'Mixed State' in Quantum Mechanics.  
*[Terangkan secara terperinci erti-erti 'Keadaan Tulin' dan 'Keadaan Campuran'.]*  
(40/100)
- (b) The quantum state of a system is given by the expression.  
*[Keadaan kuantum bagi suatu sistem diberikan dengan ungkapan.]*

$$\phi = 3\phi_1 + 2\phi_2 + \phi_3$$

where [*dimana*]

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{H} \phi_1 &= \hbar\omega\phi_1 \\ \hat{H} \phi_2 &= 3\hbar\omega\phi_2 \\ \hat{H} \phi_3 &= 2\hbar\omega\phi_3\end{aligned}$$

$\hat{H}$  is the Hamiltonian (total energy) operator

*[ $\hat{H}$  adalah operator Hamiltonian atau jumlah tenaga]*

- (i) If measurement of total energy is made on the system, what is the probability of obtaining each eigenvalue?

*[Jikalau ukuran jumlah tenaga dilakukan ke atas sistem itu, berapakah keberangkalian untuk mendapat setiap nilai eigen?]*

(30/30)

- (ii) Calculate the expectation value of the total energy of the system.

*[Hitungkan nilai jangkaan jumlah tenaga sistem itu.]*

(30/30)

5. An entity is trapped inside a 2-D well given by –

*[Suatu entiti terkurung di dalam suatu kotak 2-D seperti berikut :-]*

$$V = 0 \quad 0 \leq x \leq a$$

$$V = 0 \quad 0 \leq y \leq b$$

$V = \infty$  in other region *[di kawasan lain]*

- (a) Obtain the wavefunction and energy of the entity

*[Dapatkan fungsi-gelombang dan tenaga entiti itu.]*

(70/100)

- (b) Draw the energy-level diagram up to the sixth excited level. How much

energy is needed to excite the entity from ground state to the 4<sup>th</sup> excited state?

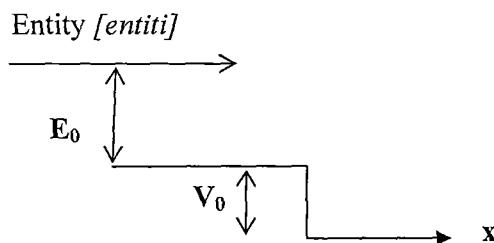
*[Tuliskan rajah tenaga sampai ke paras tenaga teruja ke-enam. Berapakah tenaga yang diperlukan untuk menerujakan entiti dari paras dasar ke paras teraju ke-empat?]*

Is there any degeneracy in this system?

*[Adakah terdapat kedegeneratan bagi sistem itu?]*

(30/100)

6.



An entity is travelling in the positive x-direction as shown in the diagram above.  
*[Suatu entiti bergerak ke arah positif-x seperti yang ditunjukkan di gambarajah diatas.]*

- (a) Obtain the reflection coefficient, R, and the transmission coefficient, T. Discuss these results with those from the Classical Physics.

*[Dapatkan pekali pembalikan, R, dan pekali penghantaran, T. Bincangkan keputusan-keputusan yang terdapat dengan yang daripada Fizik Klasik.]*

(60/100)

- (b) Explain in details the phenomenon of Tunnelling Effect. Give two examples whereby Tunnelling Effect is observed.

*[Terangkan kesan penerowongan secara teliti dan berikan dua contoh kesan penerowongan.]*

(40/100)