

BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI  
(END SEMESTER EXAMINATION)

CLASS: IMSc / MSc  
BRANCH: PHYSICS

SEMESTER : VII/I  
SESSION : MO/2024

SUBJECT: PH404 QUANTUM MECHANICS

TIME: 3 Hours

FULL MARKS: 50

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 10 marks and total 50 marks.
  2. Attempt all questions.
  3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
  4. Before attempting the question paper, be sure that you have got the correct question paper.
  5. Tables/Data hand book/Graph paper etc. to be supplied to the candidates in the examination hall.
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Q.1(a)	Prove that eigenvalues of an Hermitian matrix $H$ are real and eigenfunctions corresponding to different eigenvalues of $H$ are orthogonal.	[10] 1	1,2
Q.2(a)	Write down the postulates of quantum mechanics and provide an algorithm to find the propagator for any quantum system.	[10] 2	1,2
Q.3(a)	Find the average momentum of the electron in a Hydrogen atom in the ground state given by $\psi_{100} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a_0^3}} \exp(-r/a_0)$ .	[10] 3	2,3
Q.4(a)	Find the eigenvalues and normalised eigenfunctions of $S_x$ , $S_y$ and $S_z$ operators.	[10] 4	1,2
Q.5(a)	Find the matrix elements of $S_1 \cdot S_2$ in the product basis of two spin-half particles.	[10] 5	2,3

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