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**Continuous Internal Assessment – II ( October 2025)**  
**V Semester**

**Class: III B.Sc.,**  
**Major: Physics**

**Duration: 2 hours**  
**Max. Marks: 60 Marks**

**23BPHC09 – Quantum Mechanics and Applications**

**Course Outcome:**

1. Understand the quantum theory formulation through Schrodinger equation.
2. Understanding the behavior of quantum particle encountering a barrier potential
3. Applications of Schrodinger equation to hydrogen atom
4. Learn the concept of electric and magnetic fields on atoms and understand the Stark effect and Zeeman Effect respectively.
5. Understand the basic concepts of quantum many body problems

**Part A**

**6x1 =6 Marks**

**Answer all questions**

1. Potential energy of 1D simple harmonic oscillator CO2K1  
a.  $\frac{m\omega^2x^2}{2}$  b.  $\frac{m\omega^2x^2}{4}$  c.  $\frac{\omega^2x^2}{4}$  d.  $m\omega^2x^2$
2. In 1D linear Harmonic oscillator separation between two adjacent energy level is CO2K2  
a.  $\frac{\hbar\omega}{2}$  b.  $\hbar\omega$  c.  $2\hbar\omega$  d.  $\frac{\hbar\omega}{4}$
3. Ground state energy of a hydrogen atom is CO3K2  
a. -13.6 eV b. 13.6 eV c. -3.4 eV d.  $\infty$
4.  $P_0^0(\cos\theta) =$  CO3K2  
a. 1 b. 0 c.  $\sin\theta$  d.  $\cos\theta$
5. According to Pauli's exclusion principle, how many electrons can occupy an orbital? CO5K1  
a. 1 b. 2 c. 3 d. 4
6. The total number of allowed values for the total magnetic quantum number for a given J are \_\_\_\_ CO5K1  
a. J b. 2J c. 2J-1 d. 2J+1

**Part B**

**3 x 6 = 18 Marks**

**Answer ALL questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 400 words or two pages**

- 7a. Describe zero point energy CO2K3
- OR**
- 7b. Compare classical and quantum probability of linear harmonic oscillator CO2 K2
- 8a. Obtain Schrodinger equation in spherical polar coordinates CO3K3
- OR**
- 8b. How the Legendre functions are useful in the case of hydrogen atom to obtain solution of wave equation CO3 K1
- 9a. Explain optical spectral rule and explain fine structure of the sodium D-line CO5K1
- OR**
- 9b. Write a note on spin orbit coupling CO5K2

**Part C**

**3 x 12 = 36 Marks**

**Answer ALL questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 800 words or two pages**

- 10a. Obtain wave equation for the simple harmonic oscillator CO2K2
- OR**
- 10b. Obtain energy eigen function of 1D SHO using Frobenius method CO2K2
- 11a. Obtain the solution of the azimuthal wave equation for the hydrogen atom. CO3K3
- OR**
- 11b. Derive radial wave equation and the total wave function of the hydrogen atom and its allowed energy levels CO3K4.
- 12 a. Describe the vector model of the atom and explain the different quantum numbers associated with it. CO5K2
- OR**
- 12 b. Explain Pauli's exclusion principle as applied to electrons in atoms. Describe how this principle assists in the interpretation of the periodic system of the elements CO5K2

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