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#### PART-A

- A1. Consider the Lagrangian,  $L = \frac{1}{2}x^2 \frac{1}{2}\omega^2 x^2 + \alpha \log x$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\omega$  are constants. Let x > 0
  - (a) Find the equilibrium value of x.
  - (b) Write down the Lagrangian for small oscillations about the equilibrium
  - (c) Work out the frequency of normal mode
- A2. Show that  $u(x, y) = \sin x \cosh y + 2 \cos x \sinh y$  satisfies Laplace's equation in dimensions. If u is taken to be the real part of a complex analytic function f(z) = u + iv that vanishes at z = 0 then find f(z)
- A3. the wave function of a particle of mass m, moving in aone-dimensional box lying between x = 0and x = L, is given at an instant by  $\psi(x) = Cx(L-x)$ , where C is normalization constant. If you measure the energy of the particle at this instant the probability that the particle will be found in its ground state?
- A4. The equation of state for an ideal gas is given by  $p = mk_BT$ , where  $n = \frac{N}{V}$  is the number of particle per unit volume

(a) Find the entropy, S, of the ideal gas ass a function of p and V (up in the undetermined constant)

- (b) Show that the pressure of a gas is given by  $p = n \frac{\partial f}{\partial n} = -f$ , where  $f = \frac{P}{V}$  is the free energy per unit volume. Does it require the gas to be ideal?
- A5. Aluminium has three valence electrons per atom, an atomic weight of 0.02698 kg/mol a density of 2700  $kg/m^3$  and a conductivity of  $3.54 \times 10^7 S/m$ . Assume that all three valence electrons of every atom participate in electrical conduction
  - (a) Calculate the carrier concentration, n.
  - (b) Calculate the mobility,  $\mu$  in aluminium.
- A6. For scalar potential,  $\phi = 0$ , and vector potential  $A = A_0 \sin(kx \omega t)\hat{y}$ , find the corresponding electric field,, *E*, and magnetic field, *B*. Here  $A_0$ ,  $\omega$  and *k* are constants.
  - (b) Under what condition, will all the four Maxwell's equations be satisfied for these E and B?

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### PART - B

- B1. Using dimensional analysis, show that  $\frac{e^2}{\hbar}$  is the quantum unit of electrical conductance
- B2. Calculate the density of states,  $D(\varepsilon)$ , for the free particle dispersion,  $\varepsilon_k = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m}$  is two dimensions. Sketch  $D(\varepsilon)$  vs  $\varepsilon$
- B3. What is the difference between coherence length,  $\xi$  and penetration depth,  $\lambda$  of a superconductor? Which of the two is bigger in a type -1 superconductor?
- B4. In its rest frame, a muon (mass =  $106 \ MeV$ ) has a lifetime of  $2.2 \times 10^{-6}$  sec. what is the lifetime in the laboratory frame if the muon has a kinetic energy of  $500 \ MeV$ ?
- B5. A collection of free spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  particles at temperature, *T*, is placed in a magnetic field of  $2Wb/m^2$ . If the number of spins parallel to the magnetic field is twice as large as the number of antiparallel spins, then what is the temperature, *T*?
- B6. Find the general solution of the ordinary differential equation,  $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + x = t^2$ . Find the solution with the initial condition x(0) = 0 and  $\frac{dx}{dt}(0) = 0$
- B7. For a diatomic molecule of identical atoms with atomic mass  $40 \times 10^{27} kg$ , and bond length of  $2 \times 10^{-10} m$ , calculate (using rigid rotator model) the frequency of rotational transition from the angular momentum state J = 1 and J = 2.
- B8. In the circuit given below, what is the peak output voltage?



B9. The Doppler width of the orange line of krypton at  $\lambda = 6058 \stackrel{0}{A}$  is  $\Delta \lambda = 0.0055 \stackrel{0}{A}$ . What is the bandwidth,  $\Delta v$  of this line?

B10. A spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  particle is given to be in the normalized eigenstate,  $|\uparrow\rangle$ , of the operator  $\hat{S}_z$  such

that  $\hat{S}_{z}|\uparrow\rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2}|\uparrow\rangle$ . Calculate the uncertainty,  $\langle \hat{S}_{x}^{2} \rangle - \langle \hat{S}_{x} \rangle^{2}$ , oof the measurement of  $\hat{S}_{x}$  in this state.