

※ 考生請注意：本試題不可使用計算機。請於答案卷(卡)作答，於本試題紙上作答者，不予計分。

- According to the energy-time uncertain principle, resolving the energy difference before and after the emergence of virtual particles requires waiting for a certain amount of time. When using this principle in a reverse way (i.e., to NOT detect a violation of energy conservation), one can determine the lifetime of particles. How does this lifetime depend upon the particles' mass and momentum (or wavelength)? (10%)
- (a) Derive Planck's expression for the average energy  $\bar{\epsilon} = \frac{h\nu}{\text{Exp}(\frac{h\nu}{kT}) - 1}$  using Planck's postulate and a special form of Boltzmann distribution  $p(\epsilon) = \frac{\text{Exp}(\frac{-\epsilon}{kT})}{kT}$ . (10%) (b) Obtain the Planck blackbody spectrum by multiplying the result of (a) by  $N(\nu)d\nu$ . Here  $N(\nu)d\nu$  is the number of allowed frequencies between  $\nu$  and  $\nu + d\nu$ , which you must compute. (10%)
- The Wilson-Sommerfeld rule can be stated as follow: For any physical system in which the coordinates are periodic functions of time, there exists a quantization condition for each coordinate. These quantization conditions take the form,  $\oint p_q dq = n_q h$ , where  $q$  is the periodic coordinate,  $p_q$  is the momentum associated with that coordinate, and  $n_q$  is a quantum number which takes on discrete values. Show that the Bohr and Planck quantization postulates can be derived from this rule. (20%)
- A particle is in an infinite square well potential with walls at  $x = 0$  and  $x = L$ . If the particle is in the state  $\psi(x) = A \sin(\frac{3\pi x}{L})$ , where  $A$  is a constant, what is the probability that the particle is between  $x = L/3$  and  $x = 2L/3$ ? (10%)
- Suppose the state of a spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  particle is described by the spinor  $\chi = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 + i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $A$  is a normalization constant. Compute the probability of finding the particle with z-component spin  $S_z = -\frac{1}{2}\hbar$ . (10%)
- (a) What are selection rules for the allowed transitions of one-electron atoms? (5%) (b) What are physical principles behind these rules? (10%) Hint: One of clues which can be considered is the photon emission rate or, equivalently, the atomic transition rate,  $R = \frac{4\pi^3 \nu^3}{3\epsilon_0 h c^3} p^2$ , where  $p$  is the matrix element of the electric dipole moment taken between initial and final states.

7. What is the fine-structure constant and what is the physics behind the atomic spectral phenomena it was introduced to explain? (5%)

8. An electron with total energy  $E$  in the region  $x < 0$  is moving in the  $+\hat{x}$  direction. It encounters a step potential at  $x = 0$ . The wave function for  $x \leq 0$  is given by

$\psi = A\text{Exp}(ik_1x) + \text{Exp}(-ik_1x)$ , where  $k_1 = \sqrt{2mE}/\hbar$ ; and the wave function for  $x > 0$  is given by

$\psi = C\text{Exp}(ik_2x)$ , where  $k_2 = \sqrt{2m(E - V_0)}/\hbar$ . Find the reflection coefficient for the system. (10%)

