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The due date for submitting this assignment has passed. **Due on 2016-03-18, 23:59 IST.**

Submitted assignment

1) The degeneracy of the energy level $E = \frac{65h^2}{8mL^2}$ for a particle in a two dimensional square box **1 point** is

- 1
 2
 3
 4

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

4

2) The correct energy level expression for a particle in a two dimensional potential-free **1 point** rectangular box with sides L_1 and L_2 is

$$E_{n_1 n_2} = \frac{h^2}{8mL^2} (n_1^2 + n_2^2); L = \frac{1}{2} (L_1 + L_2)$$

$$E_{n_1 n_2} = \frac{h^2}{8mL_1 L_2} (n_1^2 + n_2^2)$$

$$E_{n_1 n_2} = \frac{h^2}{8m(L_1^2 + L_2^2)} (n_1^2 + n_2^2)$$

$$E_{n_1 n_2} = \frac{h^2}{8m} \left(\frac{n_1^2}{L_1^2} + \frac{n_2^2}{L_2^2} \right)$$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

$$E_{n_1 n_2} = \frac{h^2}{8m} \left(\frac{n_1^2}{L_1^2} + \frac{n_2^2}{L_2^2} \right)$$

3) The probability that a particle in a two dimensional square box of length L be found in the **1 point** area enclosed by $x=0$ and $L/2$ and $y=0$ and L is

- 1/4
 1/2
 1/8
 1

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

1/2

4) A rectangular box has sides L_1 and L_4 designated as x and y directions respectively. The total energy of the particle is $\frac{5h^2}{8mL_1^2}$. The degeneracy of the state is **1 point**

- 1
 2
 3
 4

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

2

5) The number of nodal lines for a particle in a two dimensional box with the energy $E_{n_1 n_2}$ (i. e. $\psi_{n_1 n_2}(x, y) = 0$) is **1 point**

- n_1
 n_2
 $n_1 + n_2$
 $n_1 + n_2 - 2$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

$n_1 + n_2 - 2$

6) For a particle of mass m in a three dimensional cubic box of side L , the energy level expression requires specification of three quantum n_1 , n_2 , and n_3 . Also the expression for the quantized energy is $E_{n_1 n_2 n_3} = \frac{h^2}{8mL^2} (n_1^2 + n_2^2 + n_3^2)$. The lowest energy is thus $\frac{3h^2}{8mL^2}$. The number of distinct quantum states available for $E \leq \frac{6h^2}{8mL^2}$ is **1 point**

- 1
 2
 3
 4

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

4

7) The thermal de Broglie wavelength associated with a particle of mass m is given by $\sqrt{\frac{h^2}{2\pi m k_B T}}$. At thermal energy corresponding room temperature for an electron ($k_B T \simeq 4 \times 10^{-17} J$) whose mass is about $9.31 \times 10^{-31} kg$, the wavelength is of the order of **1 point**

- An Angstrom ($10^{-10} m$)
 A micrometer
 A millimeter
 A meter

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

An Angstrom ($10^{-10} m$)

8) Assume one hydrogen molecule to be present in a cubic three dimensional box of side 1 **1 point**
 micron at a temperature of 300K. Its thermal energy is $\frac{5}{2} k_B T$. The approximate value for the quantum
 number $n = \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + n_3^2}$ is found to be (mass of the hydrogen molecule is 3.4×10^{-27} kg, $k_B =$
 1.38×10^{-23} J.K⁻¹)

- 25000
 2500
 250
 25

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

25000

9) An arbitrary state of a particle in a two dimensional square box of length L is given by **1 point**
 $\psi(x, y) = cxy(L - x)(L - y)$. The normalization constant c is given by (dimensional argument is
 helpful)

- $\frac{30}{L^2}$
 $\frac{30}{L^4}$
 $\frac{30}{L^{9/2}}$
 $\frac{30}{L^{5/2}}$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

$\frac{30}{L^{9/2}}$

10) A wave function of a particle in a two dimensional box is given as $\psi(x, y) = c(L - x)(L - y)$ **1 point**
 . This wave function is not acceptable as correct because

- It can not be normalized.
 The normalization constant is zero.
 The wave function does not go to zero inside the box.
 The wave function does not satisfy the boundary conditions.

No, the answer is incorrect.

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Accepted Answers:

The wave function does not satisfy the boundary conditions.

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