

# TEST SERIES GATE 2018

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- Choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following sentence.  
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(a) secluded (b) derived (c) protected (d) confined
- The question below consists of a pair of related words followed by four pairs of words. Select the pair that best expresses the relation in the original pair:  
After : Before ::  
(a) First: Second (b) Present : Past  
(c) Contemporary : Historic (d) Successor : Predecessor
- The value of  $a$  for which the equation  $x^3 + ax + 1 = 0$  and  $x^4 + ax^2 + 1 = 0$  have a common root is  
(a) 2 (b) -2 (c) 0 (d) 1
- Find the value of  $i + i^2 + i^3 + i^4 + \dots + i^{50}$  where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$   
(a) 1 (b) -1 (c)  $i + 1$  (d)  $i - 1$
- If 'TEMPLE' is coded as 'VHQNIA'. How would you code CHURCH?  
(a) EKYWI (b) EKYQZD (c) EKYPZD (d) EKYQWD

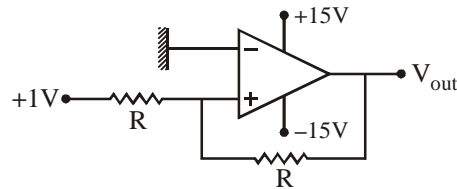
**Q.6-Q. 10 carry TWO marks each.**

- The question below consists of a pair of related words followed by four pairs of words. Select the pair that best expresses the relation in the original pair:  
Stutter : Speech ::  
(a) Blare : Hearing (b) Aroma : Smell  
(c) Novacain: Touch (d) Astigmatism : Sight
- Choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following sentence.  
The age of satellite communication \_\_\_\_\_ in 1962 with the launching of Early Bird, the first Communication Satellite.  
(a) dawned (b) negated (c) ended (d) estimated
- The value of  $\left\{ \frac{1}{\log_{xy}(xyz)} + \frac{1}{\log_{yz}(xyz)} + \frac{1}{\log_{zx}(xyz)} \right\}$  is  
(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3
- For a back sale, Zara baked  $2n$  more pies than Simran. Simran baked half as many pies as Mani, who baked  $\frac{1}{3}n$  pies. No other pies were baked for the sale. What fraction of the total pies for sale did Mani bake?  
(a)  $\frac{1}{16}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{8}$  (c)  $\frac{3}{16}$  (d)  $\frac{13}{16}$
- Consider the following set of lines :  $|x| + |y| = 1$ . Area enclosed by them is  
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

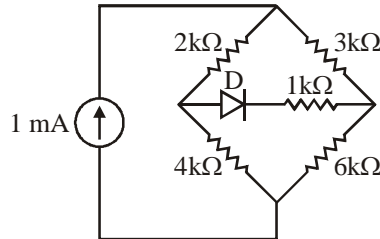
**Q.11-Q.35 carry one mark each.**

- The total energy,  $E$  of an ideal non-relativistic fermi gas in three dimensional is given by  $E \propto \frac{N^{5/9}}{V^{2/3}}$ , where  $N$  is the number of particles and  $V$  is the volume of the gas. The value of  $\frac{PV}{E}$  is \_\_\_\_\_
- One mole of an ideal gas at 300K expands reversibly and isothermally from a pressure of  $1.5 \times 10^3 \text{ N/m}^2$  to  $5 \times 10^2 \text{ N/m}^2$ . The change in entropy (J/K) of the universe is  
(a) -0.21 (b) 19.1 (c) 0.21 (d) 0

13. In the circuit of the figure,  $V_o$  is \_\_\_\_\_ V



14. The diode in the circuit given below has  $V_{ON} = 0.7$  V but is ideal otherwise. The current (in mA) in the  $4$  k $\Omega$  resistor is



- (a) 0                      (b) 0.5                      (c) 0.4                      (d) 0.6

15. A hydrogen atom in its ground state is collided with an electron of kinetic energy 12.97 eV. The maximum factor by which the radius of the atom would increase is \_\_\_\_\_

16. Suppose a spin 1/2 particle is in the state  $|\phi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$ . The expectation value of  $z$ -component of spin angular momentum of the particle is \_\_\_\_\_  $\hbar$

17. The translational operator ( $\hat{T}_L$ ) is defined as  $\hat{T}_L f(x) = f(x-L)$ , where  $f(x)$  is any arbitrary function of position  $x$  and  $L$  is any constant. If the position operator is represented by  $\hat{x}$ , then the value of commutator  $[\hat{T}_L, \hat{x}]$  is

- (a)  $L \hat{x}$                       (b)  $-L \hat{T}_L$                       (c)  $-L \hat{x}$                       (d) 0

18. If  $\sigma_i$  represents ( $i = x, y, z$ ) Pauli's spin operator corresponding to spin-1/2 particle and  $\hat{I}$  is unit operator then  $e^{(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)}$  is given by

- (a)  $e^{\sigma_x} e^{\sigma_y}$                       (b)  $\cosh(1) \hat{I} + \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y) \sinh(1)$   
 (c)  $\cosh(2) \hat{I} + (\sigma_x + \sigma_y) \sinh(2)$                       (d)  $\cosh(\sqrt{2}) \hat{I} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sinh(\sqrt{2}) (\sigma_x + \sigma_y)$

19. According to single particle nuclear shell model, the spin parity of first excited state of  ${}^7_4\text{Be}$  is

- (a)  $\frac{1}{2}^+$                       (b)  $\frac{3}{2}^-$                       (c)  $\frac{1}{2}^-$                       (d)  $\frac{3}{2}^+$

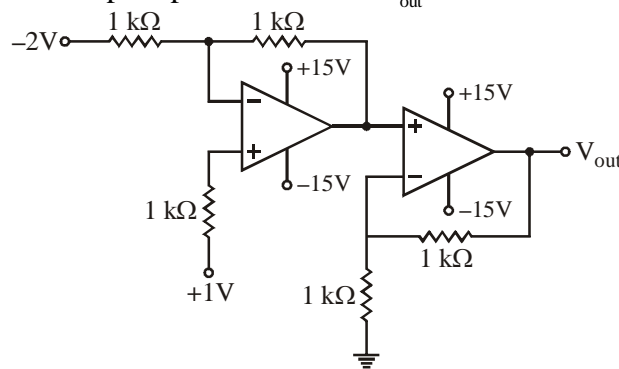
20. The threshold kinetic energy to produce  $\pi$  meson from the reaction,  $p + p \rightarrow p + p + \pi^0$  is \_\_\_\_\_ MeV. ( $m_p = 938 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ,  $m_{\pi^0} = 135 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ )



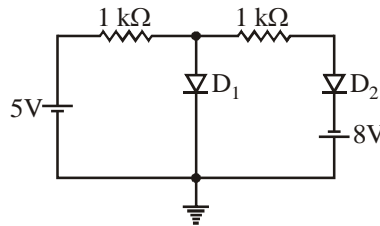
31. A particle of mass  $m$  and velocity  $u$  collides elastically with a particle of mass  $2m$  at rest. The maximum potential energy stored in the system during the collision is  $\beta mu^2$ . The value of  $\beta$  is \_\_\_\_\_ (up to two decimal places).
32. A particle of mass  $m$  is subject to a force  $f(t) = me^{-2t}$  N. The initial position and speed are 0. The distance covered by particle after time  $t = 2$  s is \_\_\_\_\_ m. (up to three decimal place) (given data:  $e^{-4} \approx 0.0183$ )
33. The Hall coefficient  $R_H$  of sodium depends on  
 (a) The effective charge carrier mass and carrier density  
 (b) The charge carrier density and relaxation time  
 (c) The charge carrier density only  
 (d) The effective charge carrier mass.
34. The ratio of nearest neighbour distance of SC crystal to FCC is \_\_\_\_\_
35. The band gap in a BCS superconductor is measured to be 3 meV at 0K. The critical temperature ( $T_c$ ) of the superconductor is:  
 (a) 5K (b) 10K (c) 2K (d) 15K

**Q.36-Q.65 carry TWO marks each.**

36. The equation of state for adiabatic process performed on an ideal gas consisting of non-relativistic rigid triangular molecule in terms of pressure ( $P$ ) and volume ( $V$ ) is given by  $PV^\gamma = \text{constant}$ , the value of  $\gamma$  is \_\_\_\_\_
37. The entropy ( $S$ ) of a thermodynamics system is give in terms of its internal energy ( $U$ ) and volume ( $V$ ) by  $S = cU^{3/4}V^{1/4}$ , where  $c$  is constant. The equation of state of the system is given by  
 (a)  $3PV = 2U$  (b)  $4PV = 3U$  (c)  $3PV = U$  (d)  $3PV = 4U$
38. Consider a system of 2 spin-zero indistinguishable particles, each of which can occupy any of four lowest energy states of one-dimensional infinite potential well. The number of microstates allowed to the system is  
 (a) 16 (b) 10 (c) 8 (d) 6
39. Consider a thermodynamic system which can occupy any of three energy levels (1, 2, 3) with energy  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2$  and  $\epsilon_3$  with corresponding probabilities  $p_1 = 0.9, p_2 = 0.09$  and  $p_3 = 0.01$  at  $T = 300$ K. The energy of level 2 relative to level 1 is \_\_\_\_\_ eV.
40. The partition function ( $Z$ ) of a hypothetical thermodynamic system is given by  $Z = e^{aVT^4}$  where  $a$  is constant, absolute temperature  $T$  and volume  $V$ . If the entropy ( $S$ ) of the system in terms of internal energy ( $U$ ) can be written as  $S = \alpha \frac{U}{T}$ , then the value of  $\alpha$  is \_\_\_\_\_.
41. In the circuit shown below the op-amp are ideal. Then  $V_{out}$  in volts is \_\_\_\_\_



42. A diode whose terminal characteristic are related as  $I_D = I_s e^{\left(\frac{V}{V_T}\right)}$ , where  $I_s$  is the reverse saturation current and  $V_T$  is the thermal voltage ( $= 25 \text{ mV}$ ) is biased at  $I_D = 2 \text{ mA}$ . Its dynamic resistance is  
 (a) 25 ohms (b) 12.5 ohms (c) 50 ohms (d) 100 ohms
43. Assuming that the diodes are ideal in figure, the current in  $D_1$  is



- (a) 8 mA (b) 5 mA (c) 0 mA (d) -3 mA
44. The de-Broglie wavelength of a particle having a mass  $900 \text{ MeV}/c^2$  and kinetic energy  $2 \text{ MeV}$ , is equal to \_\_\_\_\_  $\times 10^{-14} \text{ m}$ .
45. The spin-orbit interaction in an sodium atom is given by  $H = 2\vec{L}\cdot\vec{S}$ , where  $\vec{L}$  and  $\vec{S}$  denote the orbital and spin angular momenta respectively, of the electron. The splitting between the levels  ${}^2P_{3/2}$  and  ${}^2P_{1/2}$  (due to spin-orbit interaction) is (Take  $\hbar^2 = 1$ ) \_\_\_\_\_ units (Your answer should be **an integer**)

46. State of a particle in an infinite potential well is given to be  $\psi(x) = A \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$  where  $0 \leq x \leq L$

Which of the following values will the energy measurement give?

- (a)  $\frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2}, \frac{9\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2}$  (b)  $\frac{2\pi^2 \hbar^2}{mL^2}, \frac{9\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2}$  (c)  $\frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{mL^2}, \frac{2\pi^2 \hbar^2}{mL^2}$  (d)  $\frac{8\pi^2 \hbar^2}{mL^2}, \frac{2\pi^2 \hbar^2}{mL^2}$
47. In the scattering experiment, the potential is spherically symmetric and the particle are scattered such energy that only  $s$ -waves and  $p$ -waves are needed to be considered. Suppose the differential cross section can be written as

$$\frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega} = A + B \cos \theta + C \cos^2 \theta$$

The value of the total cross section can be expressed as

- (a)  $4\pi \left(A + \frac{C}{3}\right)$  (b)  $4\pi \left(A - \frac{C}{3}\right)$  (c)  $4\pi \left(A - \frac{C}{2}\right)$  (d)  $4\pi \left(A + \frac{C}{2}\right)$
48. The quark content of  $k^-$  and  $\Sigma^+$  are respectively  
 (a)  $s\bar{u}$  and  $uud$  (b)  $d\bar{u}$  and  $uud$  (c)  $d\bar{u}$  and  $uus$  (d)  $s\bar{u}$  and  $uus$

49. Match the following reactions on the left with the associated interactions on the right

- |  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| (1) $\pi^- + p \rightarrow \Lambda^0 + k^0$  | (A) strong             |
| (2) $P + \gamma \rightarrow P + \pi^0$       | (B) electromagnetic    |
| (3) $\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda^0 + \pi^-$    | (C) weak               |
| (4) $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^+ + \pi^-$ | (D) forbidden          |
| (a) 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-C                       | (b) 1-A, 2-B, 3-D, 4-D |
| (c) 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D                       | (d) 1-D, 2-D, 3-C, 4-C |

50. Consider the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix  $\exp(i\phi A)$  can be written as

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & i \sin \phi \\ -i \sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix}$

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{i\phi} \\ e^{i\phi} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & i \sin \phi \\ i \sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix}$

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & e^{i\phi} \\ e^{i\phi} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

51. If  $V$  is the volume of the region bounded by surface 'S' and  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ , then the value of  $\iint_S (\nabla r^2) \cdot \hat{n} dS$  is equal to (Here  $\hat{n}$  is unit normal perpendicular and outward to surface) \_\_\_\_\_  $\times V$ .

52. Value of the integral  $I = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos \theta} \cos(\sin \theta) d\theta$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_  $\times \pi$ .

53. The equation of the curve satisfying

$$\sin y \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos y (1 - x \cos y)$$

and passing through the origin will

(a)  $\sec y = x - 1$

(b)  $\sec y = x + 1$

(c)  $\sec y = x + 1 + 2e^{-x}$

(d)  $\sec y = x - 1 + 2e^{-x}$

54. A sphere of radius  $R$  has uniform volume charge density. The electric field at the surface of sphere is  $E_s$ . The electrical potential at the centre of sphere will be

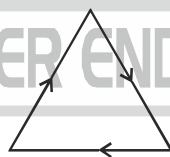
(a)  $\frac{E_s R}{2}$

(b)  $-\frac{E_s R}{2}$

(c)  $\frac{3}{2} E_s R$

(d)  $-\frac{3}{2} E_s R$

55. A current  $I$  flows in a triangular loop of each side  $a$ , magnetic field at centroid of the triangle is



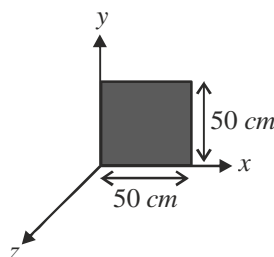
(a)  $\frac{3\mu_0 I}{2\pi a}$

(b)  $\frac{3\mu_0 I}{\pi a}$

(c)  $\frac{3\sqrt{3}\mu_0 I}{2\pi a}$

(d)  $\frac{9\mu_0 I}{2\pi a}$

56. A plane electromagnetic wave  $\vec{E} = \hat{j}E_0 \cos(\omega t - kx)$  propagating in space. If  $E_0 = 5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ V/m}$  and  $\omega = 10\pi \times 10^6 \text{ rad/sec}$ , the amplitude of emf induced in the loop as shown figure is \_\_\_\_\_ mVolt. (answer upto three decimal places)



57. He-Ne laser emits light of wavelength  $6328\text{\AA}$  with spectral width  $\Delta\lambda = 10^{-7}\text{\AA}$ . Its coherence time and coherence length are  
 (a)  $133\ \mu\text{s}$  and  $40\ \text{m}$  (b)  $133\ \mu\text{s}$  and  $40\ \text{km}$  (c)  $133\ \mu\text{s}$  and  $40\ \text{m}$  (d)  $133\ \text{ms}$  and  $40\ \text{km}$
58. If the doublet splitting of the first excited state  $2^2D_{5/2} - 2^2D_{3/2}$  of  $H$  atom is  $0.23\ \text{cm}^{-1}$ , then the corresponding separation of  $He^+$  is \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .
59. The degeneracy of the spectral term  $^3D$  is  
 (a) 15 (b) 20 (c) 25 (d) 10
60. Suppose a charge  $Q$  is distributed within a sphere of radius  $R$  in such a way that the charge density  $\rho(r)$  at a distance  $r$  from the centre of the sphere is

$$\rho(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{3Q}{\pi R^n}(R-r) & \text{for } 0 < r < R \\ 0 & \text{for } r > R \end{cases}$$

The value of  $n$  is \_\_\_\_\_ (answer is an integer)

61. The Lagrangian for a disk rolling down an inclined plane is

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{y}^2 + \frac{1}{4}mR^2\dot{\theta}^2 + mg(y-l)\sin\alpha$$

Where  $m, R, l, g, \alpha$  are constants. The Hamiltonian for this system is

- (a)  $\frac{p_y^2}{m} + \frac{p_\theta^2}{2mR^2} + mg(y-l)\sin\alpha$  (b)  $\frac{p_y^2}{2m} + \frac{p_\theta^2}{mR^2} - mg(y-l)\sin\alpha$   
 (c)  $\frac{p_y^2}{m} + \frac{p_\theta^2}{2mR^2} - mg(y-l)\sin\alpha$  (d)  $\frac{p_y^2}{2m} + \frac{p_\theta^2}{mR^2} + mg(y-l)\sin\alpha$
62. A particle moves under a potential  $V(r) = -\frac{e^2}{r}$ , where  $e$  is a positive constant. Then  
 (a) Only  $E$  is conserved (b) Only  $L$  is conserved  
 (c) Both  $E$  and  $L$  are conserved (d) Neither  $E$  nor  $L$  is conserved
63. An event occurs in  $S$  at  $x = 9 \times 10^8\ \text{m}$  and in  $S'$  at  $x' = 3 \times 10^8\ \text{m}$ ,  $t' = 4\ \text{s}$ . The relative velocity of the systems (in units of  $c$ ) is \_\_\_\_\_  $c$ . (up to one decimal place)
64. The excitation of a three dimensional solid are bosonic in nature with their frequency and wavenumber are related by  $\omega \propto k^2$  in large wavelength limit. If the chemical potential is zero. The behaviour of specific heat of the system at low temperature is proportional to  
 (a)  $T^3$  (b)  $T$  (c)  $T^{1/2}$  (d)  $T^{3/2}$
65. A gold crystal has a FCC lattice with one gold atom per lattice point and a lattice constant of  $4.08\text{\AA}$ . Every gold atom has one valence electron. The fermi energy of the gold crystal is \_\_\_\_\_ eV. (answer upto two decimal places)



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## ANSWER KEY

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|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. (c)               | 2. (d)             | 3. (b)               | 4. (d)               |
| 5. (c)               | 6. (d)             | 7. (a)               | 8. (c)               |
| 9. (b)               | 10. (2)            | 11. (0.66 to 0.70)   | 12. (d)              |
| 13. (15)             | 14. (d)            | 15. (16)             | 16. (-0.1)           |
| 17. (b)              | 18. (d)            | 19. (c)              | 20. (278 to 280)     |
| 21. (b)              | 22. (2)            | 23. (a)              | 24. (0.74 to 0.76)   |
| 25. (c)              | 26. (c)            | 27. (6)              | 28. (b)              |
| 29. (a)              | 30. (0.43 to 0.45) | 31. (0.33 to 0.34)   | 32. (0.753 to 0.755) |
| 33. (c)              | 34. (1.40 to 1.42) | 35. (b)              | 36. (1.30 to 1.34)   |
| 37. (c)              | 38. (b)            | 39. (0.055 to 0.064) |                      |
| 40. (1.20 to 1.30)   | 41. (8)            | 42. (b)              | 43. (c)              |
| 44. (2.03 to 2.09)   | 45. (3)            | 46. (a)              | 47. (a)              |
| 48. (d)              | 49. (c)            | 50. (c)              | 51. (6)              |
| 52. (2)              | 53. (b)            | 54. (c)              | 55. (d)              |
| 56. (0.012 to 0.014) | 57. (b)            | 58. (3.65 to 3.70)   | 59. (a)              |
| 60. (4)              | 61. (b)            | 62. (c)              | 63. (0.8)            |
| 64. (d)              | 65. (5.30 to 5.55) |                      |                      |

