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Programme	: B. Tech.	Semester	: Fall 2021-22
Course	: Introduction to Computational Chemistry	Code	: CHY1005
Faculty	: Dr. Saurav Prasad	Slot/ Class No.	: E21+E22+E23/0321
Time	: 1 ½ hours	Max. Marks	: 50

Answer all the Questions

Q.No.	Sub. Sec.	Question Description	Marks
1		Suppose you are told that the acceleration a of a particle moving with uniform speed v in a circle of radius r is proportional to some power of r , say r^n , and some power of v , say v^m . How can you determine the values of n and m ?	10
2	(a)	The temperatures of two bodies measured by a thermometer are $t_1 = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C} \pm 0.7\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ and $t_2 = 52\text{ }^\circ\text{C} \pm 0.6\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. Calculate the temperature difference and the error therein.	5
	(b)	Solve (show intermediate steps too) and report as per the correct number of significant figures: (i) $\frac{2.45+6.89}{4.001} + 4.67$ (ii) $8 \cdot 61 \times 2 \cdot 215 - \frac{3.456}{2.54}$	5
3		Laplacian operator $\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$ in spherical polar coordinates is given by $\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2}$ Show that function $\frac{\sin \theta \sin \phi}{r^2}$ is an eigenfunction of the Laplacian operator and find the corresponding eigenvalue.	10
4		The ground-state wavefunction for a particle confined to a one-dimensional box of length L is $\psi = \sqrt{\frac{2}{l}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right)$. Suppose the box is 10.0 nm long. Calculate the probability that the particle is (a) between $x = 4.95$ nm and 5.05 nm, (b) in the right half of the box. Use: $\cos(2x) = 1 - 2 \sin^2 x$	10
5		How can Gibb's free energy of the system and entropy of the universe be used to determine the spontaneity of a chemical process? Derive the relation between them. A reaction with $\Delta H = +21\text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ and $\Delta S = +41\text{ J K}^{-1}\text{ mol}^{-1}$ is non-spontaneous at room temperature. Find the temperature above which the reaction will be spontaneous.	10

