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FIZ-314E QUANTUM MECHANICS I (CRN 20983) SPRING 2021

LECTURE HOURS

Monday 8:30-10:30 online
Wednesday 8:30-10:30 online
Friday 8:30-9:30 online

TENTATIVE OUTLINE

- The Wave Function:** The Schrödinger equation, The Statistical Interpretation, Probability, Normalization, Momentum, The Uncertainty Principle.
- Quantum Mechanics in 1-Dimension:** Stationary States, The Infinite Square Well, Parity, The Symmetric Infinite Well, The Harmonic Oscillator, Dirac Delta Function, The Free Particle, Bound & Unbound States, The Potential Barrier, The Finite Square Well.
- Formalism:** Linear Algebra (brief discussion), The Hilbert Space, Postulates of Quantum Mechanics, The Time Evolution of States and Expectation Values, The Energy-Time Uncertainty Principle, The Energy Representation & Harmonic Oscillator.
- Quantum Mechanics in 3-Dimensions:** Generalization to 3 dimensions, The Free Particle (Cartesian Coordinates), Separable Hamiltonians, 3-Dimensional Infinite Well, The Isotropic Harmonic Oscillator, Cental Potentials in 2-Dimension.
- Angular Momentum:** The angular momentum operators, The angular momentum algebra (general formalism of angular momentum), Eigenstates of the orbital angular momentum, The angular momentum matrices, The rigid rotator.

REFERENCES

- Introduction to Quantum Mechanics, D. J. Griffiths, Pearson Prentice Hall, 2nd Ed. 2005.
- Principles of Quantum Mechanics, H. C. Ohanian, Prentice Hall, 1990.
- Introductory Quantum Mechanics, R. Liboff, Addison-Wesley, 3rd Ed. 1998.
- Quantum Physics, S. Gasiorowicz, John Wiley & Sons, 3rd Ed. 2003.
- Quantum Mechanics: classical results, modern systems, and ..., R.W. Robinett, Oxford Univ. Press, 1997.

GRADING

Quizzes 25% (in between 4-10)
Problem Sets (PS) 5% (max. 4)
Midterm Exam 30% (just 1)
Final Exam 40%

QUIZZES

In-class quizzes will be given. The problems on the quizzes will be closely related to those discussed in class.

Every FRIDAY 8:30-9:30

PROBLEM SETS (PS)

Given every 15 days (on **Fridays**) and received next Friday at 8:30
Later on, the answers will be posted

LATE PROBLEM SETS NOT ACCEPTED

MIDTERM EXAM: April 28, 2021 Wednesday, 8:30-10:30

FINAL EXAM: Between **June 14-27, 2021**