QUANTUM MECHANICS I



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TYPE OF COURSE : Rerun | Core | UG

COURSE DURATION: 12 weeks (24 Jan' 22 - 15 Apr' 22)

EXAM DATE : 24 Apr 2022

PRE-REQUISITES: Must have done the sophomore course on quantum physics and applications where Schrodinger equation, wavefunction and expectation values are taught.

INTENDED AUDIENCE: BTech Engineering Physics, B Tech Electrical Eng, MSc Physics, MSc – 5 year integrated Chemistry

COURSE OUTLINE:

This course is a first level course in the Dirac's bra(ket) notation which will set foundation to take up advanced level courses

ABOUT INSTRUCTOR:

My field of research is mathematical physics. I have been working on knot invariants from Chern-Simons theory and topological strings.

COURSE PLAN:

- Week 1: Introduction to Quantum Mechanics-I, Introduction to Quantum Mechanics-II, Review of Particle in Box, Potential Well, Barrier, Harmonic Oscillator-I, Review of Particle in Box, Potential Well, Barrier, Harmonic Oscillator-II
- Week 2: Bound States-I, Bound States-II, Conditions and Solutions for One Dimensional Bound States I, Conditions and Solutions for One Dimensional Bound States II
- Week 3: Linear Vector Space (LVS) I, Linear Vector Space (LVS) II, Linear Vector Space (LVS) III, Basis for Operators and States in LVS I
- Week 4: Function Spaces I, Function Spaces II, Postulates of Quamtum Mechanics I ,Postulates of Quantum Mechanics II
- Week 5: Classical Vs Quantum Mechanics I, Classical Vs Quantum Mechanics II, Compatible Vs Incompatible Observables I, Compatible Vs Incompatible Observables II
- **Week** 6: Schrodinger and Heisenberg Pictures I, Schrodinger and Heisenberg Pictures II, Solutions to Other Coupled Potential Energies-I, Solutions to Other Coupled Potential Energies-II
- Week 7: Hydrogen Atom Wave Functions, Angular Momentum Operators, Identical Particles-I, Hydrogen Atom Wave Functions, Angular Momentum Operators, Identical Particles-II, Identical Particles, Quantum Computer-I, Identical Particles, Quantum Computer-II
- Week 8: Harmonic Oscillator -I, Harmonic Oscillator -II, Ladder Operators -I, Ladder Operators -II
- Week 9: Stern-Gerlach Experiment-I, Stern-Gerlach Experiment-II, Oscillator Algebra Applications-I
- Week 10: Angular Momentum-1 -I, Angular Momentum-1 -II, Rotations Groups -I, Rotations Groups -II
- **Week** 11: Addition of Angular Momentum-I, Addition of Angular Momentum-II, Clebsch-Gordan Coefficient -I, Clebsch-Gordan Coefficient -II
- **Week** 12: Clebsch-Gordan Coefficient -III, Tensor Operators & Wigner-Eckart Theorem-I, Tensor Operators & Wigner-Eckart Theorem-III.