## PHYS 1301 IDEAS OF MODERN PHYSICS

## The following questions will have 4 multi-choice responses.

- You will have up to 3 hours to answer. You will not have any access to books or internet.
- 1. The probability of observing a particular event in quantum mechanics is given by
- 2. Bose-Einstein condensation of liquid Helium suddenly leads to
- 3. Which of the following is *impossible* in Special Relativity?
- 4. Which of the following is necessary laser operation?
- 5. What is the probability of rolling two dice and getting a total of 9?
- 6. Which of the following is *not* evidence for the correctness of General Relativity?
- 7. In which case would two observers *necessarily* agree about the simultaneity of two events?
- 8. According to General Relativity, which of the following did not begin with the Big Bang?
- 9. Which kind of photon has the least energy?
- 10. The patterns observed when two light waves combine are called
- 11. Which of the following is not a direct application of Quantum Mechanics to technology?
- 12. The Copenhagen Interpretation of Quantum mechanics questions objective reality because
- 13. Why does an interference pattern disappear if the photons' path is observed?
- 14. Where are the electrons in the atom that govern the chemistry of an element?
- 15. Which of the following pair of quantities can Heisenberg's uncertainty principle refer to?
- 16. Electron microscopes can be used to see more detail than with visible light because
- 17. The name given to the central part of an atom is
- 18. Which of these is *not* an application of radioactivity?
- 19. Atoms are stable because
- 20. What do spectral lines signify?
- 21. Which atom is the simplest?
- 22. Which scientist's equation describes the movement of quantum probability waves?
- 23. What are the smallest features that a Scanning Tunneling Microscope can see?
- 24. Energy released in a typical nuclear weapon is converted from roughly how much mass?
- 25. What does the acronym LASER stand for?
- 26. Which of the following would indicate random error in an experiment?
- 27. In Feynman diagrams, positive energy anti-particles going forwards in time are understood as
- 28. Which scientists first performed an artificial nuclear reaction?
- 29. Which particles are found in an atomic nucleus?
- 30. Which type of nuclear reaction involves smaller nuclei combining to make bigger nuclei?
- 31. According to the Copenhagen Interpretation, before one looks in the box, Schrodinger's cat is
- 32. Which of the following is *not* an interpretation of the Quantum measurement problem?
- 33. Fermion particles of the same type are such that
- 34. The basic vertex in any QED space-time Feynman diagram involves
- 35. Which form of radioactivity typically has the shortest range?
- 36. Which of the following is *not* a force-carrier particle?
- 37. The amount of naturally-occurring antimatter observed in the universe is
- 38. Quark confinement is a property of which force of nature?
- 39. Which of the following is *not* a consequence of combining relativity and quantum mechanics?
- 40. Which of these is evidence for Dark Matter?