

Practice Questions

- What were the shortcomings of Rayleigh-Jeans law? How Planck's law was able overcome those shortcomings?
- What is a blackbody? Mention its characteristics. Draw Blackbody radiation spectrum curves for three different temperatures for a range of wavelengths.
- Mention assumptions made by Max Planck in formulation of Planck's radiation law to explain Blackbody radiation spectrum curve.
- Explain how uncertainty principle was a consequence of de Broglie's hypothesis.
- What were the major observations and outcomes of Compton scattering experiment. Explain in detail with suitable diagrams.
- What is ultraviolet catastrophe? Explain how Planck's formulation helped to explain the black body radiation curve?
- How did de Broglie's hypothesis prove the angular momentum quantization postulate of Bohr's theory?
- Discuss the implications of Heisenberg's Geadnken Experiment in detail.
- Show that particle velocity of a moving particle is equal to the group velocity of the associated matter waves.
- Why concept of phase velocity is not applicable for matter waves?
- Explain the construction and working principle of a scanning tunnelling microscope with suitable diagrams.
- What are nanomaterials? How does the material property change upon reducing the dimensions in the nanoscale?
- What is quantum confinement? Classify nanomaterials based on quantum confinement.
- Write down in detail any two experiments/phenomena which classical physics couldn't explain.
- Define probability density and probability in context of quantum mechanical wave function.
- Why energy of a particle confined in a 1-dimensional box is quantized?
- Find and sketch the first two eigenvalues and eigen function of a particle trapped in a one-dimensional potential box.
- Arrive at Schrödinger time-independent equation using wave function.
- Arrive at Schrodinger time dependent wave equation.
- Write the properties of the wave function.

- Explain the Compton scattering with suitable diagrams.
- Discuss the de Broglie hypothesis and its experimental verification.
- A small object of mass 1.00 mg is confined to move between two rigid walls separated by 1.00 cm. Calculate the minimum speed of the object.
- For a quantum mechanical particle confined in a 1-D box, obtain the wave function and particle's energy formulae.
- Draw the wave functions and probability densities for first three quantum states. Also write the expressions of both wave function and probability density for each state.
- Determine the ratio of 4th excited state to the ground state energies of a proton trapped in a 1-D box of length 2 nm.
- X rays of wavelength 0.24 nm are Compton-scattered, and the scattered beam is observed at an angle of 60 degrees relative to the incident beam. Find the wavelength of the scattered X-rays.