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BLITZ: Modern Physics Form M-R

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This is a Take Home Exam. You may use your notes but you may NOT use help from human beings.

EXPLAIN IN COMPLETE SENTENCES AND GIVE EXAMPLES:

You MUST HAND WRITE THIS EXAM!! NO TYPED PAPERS WILL BE ACCEPTED!

- 1. A. Describe the Michelson-Morley Experiment and tell what was learned from it. B. What is meant by "The Speed of Light is Invariant"?
- 2. Write the three equations for Einstein's Special Theory of Relativity and tell what the parameters are.
- 3. What are the three effects of approaching the speed of light, and where do we see these really take place?
- 4. In Einstein's General Theory of Relativity, what causes the gravitational attraction?
- 5. What is the meaning of Planck's Quantum Constant and give its value.
- 6. If the Quantum Constant were very large, A. What would happen to a ball confined in a space? B. Where does this happen in real life?
- 7. If the Quantum Constant were very large, A. What would happen to a small animal leaping through a bamboo grove? B. Where does this happen in real life?
- 8. In the city where c = 10 km/hr, what three things happened to Mr. Tompkins, relative to a sidewalk observer, as he approached 10 km/hr?
- 9. In the city where c = 10 km/hr, what color was Tompky to the sidewalk observer when Tompky was approaching? What color when Tompky was receding? **Explain!**
- 10. What effects did Mr. Tompkins notice about his surroundings as he sped down the street?
- 11. On the Paradox of Time Dilation, describe what astounded Mr. Tompkins in the railway station?
- 12. What was Schrödinger trying to illustrate with the Schrödinger's Cat analogy.
- 13. List the Four Forces, tell where they apply, how their strengths compare, and the distances over which they act.
- 14. What are Quarks? Name six types of quarks.
- 15. What is Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle?
- 16. What happened to the ice in *The Quantum Cafe*? How does this apply to radioactivity?
- 17. Give the titles of the three books we should read this summer according to Boom.

When finished, please STAPLE this exam onto your papers and turn in on due date.