

SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY

M.Sc. (Semester-II) Examination

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Time: 10:00 AM to 01:00 PM

Subject: Mathematics

Course No. PS02EMTH04

Mathematical Classical Mechanics

Note: (1) All questions (including multiple choice questions) are to be answered in the answer book only.
 (2) Numbers to the right indicate full marks of the respective question.

Q-1 Choose most appropriate answer from the options given. (08)

- (1) For the motion of a particle on a sphere of constant radius constraints are
 - (a) holonomic and scleronomic
 - (b) holonomic and rheonomic
 - (c) non-holonomic and scleronomic
 - (d) non-holonomic and rheonomic
- (2) Degrees of freedom for a simple pendulum is _____.
 - (a) 5
 - (b) 3
 - (c) 1
 - (d) 0
- (3) For a particle of mass m at height h , potential energy is given by _____.
 - (a) mgh
 - (b) $-mgh$
 - (c) $mgl \cos \theta$
 - (d) none of these
- (4) What are geodesics on a plane?
 - (a) straight lines
 - (b) helix
 - (c) great circles
 - (d) large circles
- (5) $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} L dt$ is called _____.
 - (a) Lagrangian integral
 - (b) action integral
 - (c) Hamiltonian integral
 - (d) energy integral
- (6) Which one of the following is correct?
 - (a) Lagrangian is conserved
 - (b) Hamiltonian is conserved
 - (c) $\frac{dH}{dt} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial t}$
 - (d) none of these
- (7) If M is Jacobian matrix for a canonical transformation then
 - (a) M is Identity
 - (b) $|M| = \pm 1$
 - (c) $MJM^{-1} = J$
 - (d) M is singular
- (8) Which one of the following is correct?
 - (a) $\{u, v\} = \{v, u\}$
 - (b) Lagrange bracket is canonical invariant
 - (c) Lagrange bracket vanishes identically
 - (d) Fundamental Lagrange brackets vanish identically

Q-2 Answer any Seven. (14)

- (1) What is a simple pendulum? Describe constraints for a simple pendulum.
- (2) State Lagrange's equations of motion in case of velocity dependent potential.
- (3) State Hamilton's principle.
- (4) What is the curve for minimum surface of revolution?
- (5) Show that generalized momentum conjugate to a cyclic coordinate is conserved.
- (6) State matrix form of Hamilton's equations of motion.
- (7) State transformation equations for a generating function of type F_1 .
- (8) What are fundamental Poisson brackets?
- (9) Show that $\frac{du}{dt} = [u, H] + \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$, the notations being usual.

Q-3

- (a) Lagrangian for a system is given by L . Show that $L' = L + \frac{dF(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n, t)}{dt}$ (06)
also satisfies Lagrange's equations of motion.
- (b) Obtain Lagrange's equations of motion for a particle moving in XY-plane (06)
in plane polar coordinates.

OR

- (b) Obtain expression of kinetic energy in terms of generalized coordinates
for a double pendulum.

Q-4

- (a) Derive the condition for the extremum for $J = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(y, \dot{y}, x) dx$ (06)
- (b) Define energy function. Explain how it is related with total energy of a
system. (06)

OR

- (b) Using calculus of variations solve the brachistochrone problem.

Q-5

- (a) Using Legendre transformation derive Hamilton's equations of motion (06)
from Lagrange's equations of motion.
- (b) Discuss principle of least action. (06)

OR

- (b) Lagrangian for a system is given by
$$L = \frac{1}{2}(\dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{\phi}^2 \sin^2 \theta) + \frac{1}{2}(\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos \theta)^2,$$

obtain Hamilton for the system.

Q-6

- (a) State and prove Jacobi's identity for Poisson brackets. (06)
- (b) For a system of one degree of freedom Hamiltonian is $H = \frac{p^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2}q^2$. (06)
Show that $u = \frac{pq}{2} - Ht$ is a constant of motion.

OR

- (b) Determine whether the transformation
 $Q_1 = q_1, P_1 = p_1 - 2p_2, Q_2 = p_2, P_2 = -2q_1 - q_2$
is canonical.

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