

SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY

M.Sc. (Semester-II) Examination

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Time: 10:00AM to 01:00 PM

Subject: Mathematics

Course No. PS02EMTH22

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 inside a sphere 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 spherical pendulum is _____.
 (a) 2 (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 sphere?
 (a) straight lines (b) helix (c) great circles (d) large circles
- (5) $\delta \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L dt = 0$ if and only if _____.
 (a) $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j}$ (b) $L = 0$
 (c) $L = \text{constant}$ (d) energy function vanishes
- (6) Which one of the following is correct?
 (a) Energy function is conserved (b) Hamiltonian is conserved
 (c) $H = T + V$ (d) none of these
- (7) If M is a symplectic matrix then
 (a) M is singular (b) $|M| = \pm 1$ (c) $MJM^{-1} = J$ (d) $M = 0$
- (8) Which one of the following is correct?
 (a) $\{u, v\} = \{v, u\}$
 (b) $\{u, v\} = -\{v, u\}$
 (c) Lagrange bracket vanishes identically
 (d) None of these

Q-2 Answer any Seven. (14)

- (1) What is a simple harmonic oscillator? Describe constraints for it.
- (2) State Lagrange's equations of motion general form.
- (3) State Hamilton's principle.
- (4) What is meant by brachistochrone problem?
- (5) Define energy function.
- (6) State Hamilton's equations of motion.
- (7) What is meant by a generating function?
- (8) What are fundamental Poisson brackets?
- (9) Show that $\frac{du}{dt} = [u, H] + \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$, the notations being usual.

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Q-3

- (a) Obtain Lagrange's of motion when frictional forces are present. (06)
(b) Obtain Lagrangian for a double pendulum. (06)

OR

- (b) In usual notations derive, $T = T_0 + T_1 + T_2$.

Q-4

- (a) Discuss law of conservation of angular momentum using Lagrangian formalism. (06)
(b) Lagrangian for a system of three degrees of freedom is given by (06)
 $L = \frac{I_1}{2}(\dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{\phi}^2 \sin^2 \theta) + \frac{I_3}{2}(\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos \theta)^2 - Mgl \cos \theta$. Obtain all generalized momenta. Which of them are conserved?

OR

- (b) Using calculus of variations obtain geodesics in three dimensional Euclidean space.

Q-5

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

OR

- (b) State Lagrangian for a simple harmonic oscillator and hence obtain Hamilton's equations of motion for it.

Q-6

- (a) State and prove Jacobi's identity for Poisson brackets. (06)
(b) Define a symplectic matrix. Show that symplectic matrices form a group. (06)

OR

- (b) Determine whether the transformation
 $Q = \log(\sin p) - \log q, P = q \cot p$
is canonical.

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