

M.Sc.(Maths.) Semester - 1 (CBCS) Examination
Oct/Nov. -2019 - [NEW COURSE]
Classical Mechanics 1(Elective (New))

Time: 2:30 Hours

Marks: 70

Instructions:

1. All questions are compulsory.
2. Figures to the right indicate marks.

Q-1 Answer any **Seven** of the following questions in short. (14)

- (1) Define and give an example of a holonomic constraint.
- (2) Describe constraints in simple pendulum.
- (3) What are geodesics on plane?
- (4) Show that generalized momentum conjugate to a cyclic coordinate is conserved.
- (5) For the Lagrangian $\frac{1}{2}(\dot{r}^2 + r^2\dot{\theta}^2) + \frac{1}{r^2}$, obtain all generalized momenta.
- (6) Define reduced mass in a two-body problem.
- (7) What is meant by inverse square law of force?
- (8) Describe constraints in a rigid body.
- (9) State Euler's theorem on the motion of a rigid body.
- (10) Define infinitesimal rotation.

Q-2 Answer any **Two**. (14)

- (a) State and prove law of conservation of total energy for a system of particles.
- (b) State Lagrange's equations of motion in general for and derive the form in the case of conservative system.
- (c) Giving all details obtain Lagrange's equations of motion for Atwood's machine.

Q-3 Answer the following.

- (a) State Hamilton's principle and derive Lagrange's equations from it. (5)
- (b) Describe the brachistochrone problem and formulate it in the calculus of variations. (5)
- (c) State Kepler's laws of planetary motion. (4)

OR

Q-3 Answer the following.

- (a) Prove the law of conservation of linear momentum of a system in Lagrangian formalism. (07)
- (b) Using calculus of variations obtain geodesics on the surface of a sphere. (07)

Q-4 Answer any **Two**. (14)

- (a) State differential equation of orbit. Solve it to find orbit in Kepler's problem.
- (b) Explain how a central force two-body problem can be solved in terms of formal integrals.
- (c) Obtain degrees of freedom of a rigid body.

Q-5 Answer any **Two**. (14)

- (a) Find force law for the following orbits

$$(i) r = 1 + \cos\theta \quad (ii) x = a \cos t, y = a \sin t$$

- (b) Giving all details discuss Eulerian angles.
- (c) Is it true that infinitesimal rotations commute? Justify your answer.
- (d) Derive Euler's equations of motion for a rigid body with one point fixed.
