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B.Sc.

1st Semester Examination

PHYSICS (Honours)

Paper - C 1-T

(Mathematical Physics)

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 Hours

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in their own words as far as practicable.*

Group - A

Answer any *five* questions : 5×2=10

1. Find whether $d\phi$ is an exact differential where

$$d\phi = (x^2 - y)dx + xdy.$$

2. Show that $\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = 0$ for any vector \vec{A} .

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3. If the magnitude of a vector \vec{A} is constant with respect to time, show that $\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}$ is perpendicular to \vec{A} .

4. The random variable x_1 follows a Gaussian distribution with mean μ and standard deviation σ_1 . A second random variable x_2 also follows a Gaussian distribution with same mean μ but different standard deviation $\sigma_2 (> \sigma_1)$. Roughly sketch the two probability density functions.

5. Show that $\delta(kx) = \frac{\delta(x)}{|k|}$, where k is any non-zero constant.

6. A bag contains 10 black balls and 10 red balls. What is the probability of drawing two balls of the same colour?

7. Solve the equation : $\frac{dy}{dx} + \log_e x^y = 0$.

8. Derive the expression of the volume element dV in spherical polar coordinates.

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Group - B

Answer any *four* questions.

4×5=20

9. (a) Evaluate $\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ along a closed curve C surrounding the origin and lying in the XY plane

$$\text{for } \vec{F} = \frac{\hat{i}x + \hat{j}y}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

- (b) If \vec{r} be the position vector of a point on a closed contour C, prove that $\oint_C \vec{r} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0$. 3+2

10. (a) Find the order and degree of the following differential equation :

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{1/2} + xy = 0.$$

- (b) Solve the differential equation,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} (e^x + 1) + \frac{dy}{dx} = 0. \quad 2+3$$

11. (a) What do you mean by axial vector ?

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(b) Solve the following vector equation for \vec{y} :

$$K\vec{y} + (\vec{y} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{a} = \vec{c}; \quad K \neq 0 \text{ and } K \text{ is a constant}$$

scalar while \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} are constant vectors.

2+3

12. Find a set of vectors reciprocal to the set $(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k})$, $(\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$ and $(-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$. 5

13. The probability that a pen made by a company will be defective is $1/10$. If 12 such pens are manufactured, determine what will be the probability that

(a) Exactly two will be defective,

(b) At least two will be defective, and

(c) None will be defective.

2+2+1

14. (a) If \vec{A} is irrotational, show that $\vec{A} \times \vec{r}$ is solenoidal.

(b) The potential energy function between two atoms in a diatomic molecule is defined for $x > 0$ and

$$\text{given by } U(x) = U_0 \left[\left(\frac{a}{x} \right)^{12} - 2 \left(\frac{a}{x} \right)^6 \right], \text{ where}$$

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U_0 and a are both positive. What will you see the nature of equilibrium during plotting of $U(x)$ vs. x i.e., is it stable or unstable ? 2+3

Group - C

Answer any *one* question :

$1 \times 10 = 10$

15. (a) State Gauss divergence theorem. 2

(b) If $\vec{A} = ax\hat{i} + by\hat{j} + cz\hat{k}$ where a , b and c are constants. Evaluate $\int_S \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{S}$ where S is the surface of a unit sphere. 3

(c) What is the main characteristic of Poisson distribution ? Give two physical examples where this distribution is applicable. 1+1

(d) Write the expression of probability $P(r)$ related to Poisson distribution with r -success. 1

(e) Let X follow the Poisson distribution such that $P(X=1) = P(X=2)$. Obtain the value of $P(X=4)$. 2

[Turn Over]

16. (a) Solve the differential equation :

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dx} + y = \frac{e^x}{x}; y(1) = 0, y'(1) = 1. \quad 4$$

(b) When a force is called conservative ? Is there any chance to get a corresponding potential function ? — Justify with necessary deduction.

1+1

(c) Determine whether the force field given by

$$\vec{F} = x^2 yz \hat{i} - xyz^2 \hat{k} \text{ is conservative or not.} \quad 2$$

(d) Evaluate the integral : $\int_{-1}^5 \delta(t-2) 2e^{4t} dt$. If the lower limit of integration changes to 3, what will be the value of integration ?

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1. Assume that Newton's 2nd law is valid in a reference frame and rest. Now show that it is valid in any reference frame moving with constant velocity. 2
2. A bullet is fired with initial velocity 100 m/s making an angle 45° with horizontal. If $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$ then calculate the maximum horizontal distance travelled by the bullet before touching the ground. 2

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3. A particle moves on X-axis under a potential

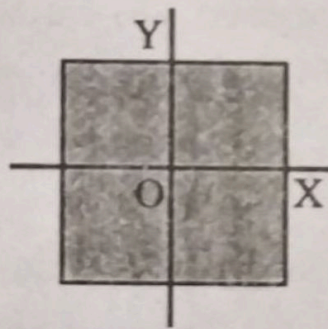
$$V = -\frac{A}{x^n} + \frac{B}{x^2}. \text{ Show that the condition for a stable}$$

equilibrium position of the particle on the X axis is $n < 2$. 2

4. A uniform square lamina is lying in the XY plane as

shown in the following figure. Given : $I_Y = \frac{1}{12} ma^2$.

Find the moment of inertia of the lamina about an arbitrary axis, also lying in the XY plane and passing through the centre of the lamina. 2



5. Show that the total mechanical energy of a particle moving under conservative force is constant. 2

6. Obtain Stokes' law of viscosity by dimensional analysis. 2

7. For an elastic material the Young's Modulus and the Poisson's ratio have the values $7.2 \times 10^{10} \text{ N/m}^2$ and 0.25 respectively. Calculate the modulus of rigidity. 2

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8. Calculate the rest mass and momentum of a photon of energy 5eV. 2

Group - B

Answer any *four* questions 4×5=20

9. (a) Find the position of centre of mass of a uniform solid hemisphere. 3
- (b) Show that the areal velocity of a particle moving under central force (i) is constant and (ii) is equal to half of the angular momentum per unit mass of the particle. 2
10. (a) A frame R is rotating with respect to a fixed frame F with angular velocity $\vec{\omega}$. Show that :

$$\left. \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \right|_R = \left. \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \right|_F \quad 3$$

- (b) A wooden block of mass M is suspended by a string of length l . Initially the block is at rest at its equilibrium position. A bullet of mass m is fired horizontally into the block and is embedded in it. The embedded block-bullet system swings upward and rises till the string makes an angle θ with vertical. Find the velocity of the bullet.

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11. Find the moment of inertia of a uniform solid cylinder about an axis passing through its centre of mass and perpendicular to its length. Now find the ratio of the length of the cylinder to its radius for which this moment of inertia will be maximum. 3+2
12. A small block of mass 100g is suspended from a rigid support by a massless elastic spring. The system performs damped vertical oscillation of frequency 10Hz and the amplitude reduces to half of the undamped value in one minute. Calculate (i) the resistive force per unit velocity. (ii) the quality factor and (iii) the force constant of the spring. 2+1+2
13. (a) A rod of length 60 *cm* and radius 4 *mm* is rigidly fixed at one end. A torque of 5×10^7 *dyne/cm²* applied at the other end of the rod produces a twist of 4.5° . Find the rigidity modulus of the material of the rod. 2
- (b) Obtain the expression of gravitational intensity due to a uniform thin spherical shell at a point inside it. 3
14. Establish relativistic velocity addition formulae starting from Lorentz transformation equations. 5

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Group - C

Answer any *one* question $1 \times 10 = 10$

15. (a) Using Newton's law of gravitation prove Kepler's 1st law of planetary motion. 3
- (b) Show that the potential of the central force is spherically symmetric. 2
- (c) A spaceship of rest length 400 m has speed $0.8c$ with respect to certain reference frame. A small meteorite is at rest with respect to this frame. Calculate the time taken by the spaceship to pass by the meteorite as measured by an observer (i) from the meteorite and (ii) from the spaceship. 2+2
- (d) State the relativistic relation between total energy and linear momentum of a particle of rest mass m_0 . 1
16. (a) Given that the vector equation of motion of a rocket ejecting fuel at a constant velocity \vec{u} and constant rate $\alpha = -\frac{dm}{dt}$ is :

$$\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} - \frac{dm}{dt} \vec{u} = \vec{F},$$

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where \vec{v} is its instantaneous velocity with respect to ground and \vec{F} is the gravitational force.

Find the condition of its soft landing along a vertical line if it starts from rest. 3

(b) Prove the relation $\vec{L} = \vec{L}_0 + \vec{L}'$ for a system of particles, where \vec{L} and \vec{L}' are the angular momenta of the system of particles with respect to the laboratory frame and the center of mass frame respectively and \vec{L}_0 is the angular momentum of the system of particles with respect to the laboratory frame if its total mass is assumed to be conserved at its centre of mass.

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(c) For a forced harmonic oscillator given that : natural frequency $\omega_0 = \pi S^{-1}$ and damping force per unit mass per unit velocity = $1.5\pi \text{ dyne } g^{-1} (\text{cm/s})^{-1}$. Calculate the half power frequencies and sharpness of resonance.

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