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B.A./B.Sc.
Sixth Semester
DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE – 3
PHYSICS
Course Code: PHD 6.11
(Advanced Mathematical Physics – II)

Total Mark: 70

Pass Mark: 28

Time: 3 hours

Answer five questions, taking one from each unit.

UNIT–I

1. (a) Derive the necessary conditions for Legendre transformation. 4
- (b) Use Lagrange's equations to find the equation of motion of a compound pendulum in a vertical plane about a fixed horizontal axis. Hence, find the period of small amplitude oscillations of the compound pendulum. 5
- (c) A surface is generated by revolving a curve $y(x)$ around the x-axis. Apply variational principle to the curve $y(x)$ which passes through two fixed points (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) so that the area is minimum. 5
2. (a) Prove that, if f does not depend on x explicitly, then
$$f - f' \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \text{constant} . \quad 4$$
- (b) Deduce general form of Lagrange's equation using D'Alembert's principle. 10

UNIT-II

3. (a) The Hamiltonian of a particle is given by $H = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2} + v(x)$, where p is the momentum, m is the mass and $v(x)$ is the potential of the system. Find the Lagrangian of the system. 4
- (b) Prove that $[\vec{P}, \vec{L}, \vec{n}] = \vec{n} \times \vec{P}$, $\vec{P} =$ linear momentum, $\vec{L} =$ angular momentum and take $\vec{n} = n_x \hat{i} + n_y \hat{j} + n_z \hat{k}$. 5
- (c) Consider a simple pendulum having a mass ' m ' is attached to a string of length ' l '. Let the length of the string be shortened at a constant rate $\frac{dl}{dt} = -\alpha$, where α is a constant. After the pendulum is set into motion, obtain the Hamiltonian and verify if the total energy is conserved. 5
4. (a) Show that the transformation $q = \sqrt{2P} \sin Q$ and $p = \sqrt{2P} \cos Q$ is canonical. 4
- (b) Prove that for any three functions F, G and K of p_k and q_k , the following holds true: $[F, [G, K]] + [G, [K, F]] + [K, [F, G]] = 0$ 5
- (c) Using Hamilton's equations of motion, show that the Hamiltonian $H = \frac{p^2}{2m} e^{-rt} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2 e^{rt}$ leads to the equation of motion of a damped harmonic oscillator $\ddot{x} + r\dot{x} + \omega^2 x = 0$. 5

UNIT-III

5. (a) Show that the cube root of unity is an Abelian under multiplication. 6
- (b) If $a, b \in G$, then show that the equation $a * x = b$ and $y * a = b$ have unique solution in the group G . 8
6. (a) Find all the generators of the cyclic group $\{a, a^2, a^3, a^4, a^5, a^6, a^7, a^8 = e\}$. 6

- (b) Verify the group property of symmetry of an equilateral triangle (D_3), also known as C_{3V} 8

UNIT-IV

7. (a) Two dice are thrown simultaneously and the sum of the numbers obtained is found to be 7. What is the probability that the number 3 has appeared at least once? 4
- (b) A coin is tossed three times. Find the probability of getting head one time and also the probability of getting tail three times. 5
- (c) Find the constant c such that the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} cx^2, & 0 < x < 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ is a density function and compute $P(1 < x < 2)$. 5
8. (a) A, B and C companies produce 25%, 35% and 40% bulbs respectively out of which 5%, 4% and 2% are defective. A bulb is drawn at random and found to be defective. What is the probability that it is from company B. 4
- (b) Let X be a continuous random variable with probability distribution function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x^{-2} & \text{for } 1 < x < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ Find $E(X)$ and variance. 5
- (c) A urn contains 4 white and 6 red balls. Four balls are drawn at random from the urn. Find the probability distribution of the number of white balls. 5

UNIT-V

9. (a) Fit a straight line to the following data with x as independent variable. 4

x	0	1	2	3	4
y	-1	-0.2	1.3	2.5	4.4

- (b) Show that the normal distribution is the limiting case of a binomial distribution. 10
10. (a) Show that the mean deviation from mean of the normal distribution is about $\frac{1}{5}$ of its standard deviation. 4
- (b) Find the first four moments of binomial distribution. 10
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