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**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024**

(CBCSS)

Physics

PHY1C01—CLASSICAL MECHANICS

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A

*Answer **all** questions.*

Each question carries 1 weightage.

8 short questions answerable within 7½ minutes

1. What are the constraints of a rigid body ?
2. Explain Legendre transformation
3. What are coupled oscillators ?
4. How much is the number of degrees of freedom for a) Four particles moving freely in space ;
b) A rigid body with two points fixed ?
5. Define phase space.
6. Differentiate between forced and free vibrations.
7. State Canonical or Contact transformation.
8. Define Jacobi identity.

(8 × 1 = 8 weightage)

Section B

*Answer any **two** questions.*

Each question carries 5 weightage.

4 essay questions answerable within 30 minutes

9. Derive Lagrange's equation from Hamilton's principle
10. Obtain the equation of motion of two masses connected by a string and passes through a smooth pulley by using Lagrange equation.
11. Define Poisson bracket and discuss any four their properties with proof.
12. Explain normal modes of vibrations.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

Turn over

Section C

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries 3 weightage.
7 problems within 15 minutes.*

13. Calculate the reduced mass of the following : a) Hydrogen atom b) positronium . Show that reduced mass of Hydrogen atom is almost half of positronium.
14. Solve Kepler's problem by using H-J method.
15. Show that Poisons brackets are a) commutative b) distributive.
16. Write the Lagrange's equation of motion of a particle moving under gravity of mass m near the surface of earth.
17. Show that the transformation is canonical.
 - a) $P = 1/2 (p^2 + q^2)^2$.
 - b) $Q = \tan^{-1}(q/p)$.
18. Show that Poisson brackets are invariant under canonical transformations.
19. Prove that two or more successive canonical transformations also is canonical.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)