

PHY–501

Mathematical Physics and Classical Mechanics

M. Sc. PHYSICS (MSCPHY–12/13/16)

First Year, Examination, 2017

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

Note : This paper is of **seventy (70)** marks containing **three (03)** sections A, B and C. Attempt the questions contained in these sections according to the detailed instructions given therein.

Section–A

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Note : Section ‘A’ contains four (04) long answer type questions of fifteen (15) marks each. Learners are required to answer *two* (02) questions only.

1. Using Rodrigue’s formula prove that the following :

(a) $\int_{-1}^{+1} P_0(x) dx = 2$

(b) $\int_{-1}^{+1} P_n(x) dx = 0 \quad (n \neq 0)$

2. (a) Find the Fourier transform of $F(t)$ defined by :

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & |t| < a \\ 0 & |t| > a \end{cases}$$

and hence evaluate :

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \omega t}{\omega} d\omega$$

- (b) Find the Laplace transform of :

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < t < \frac{1}{2} \\ \sin \pi t & t > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

3. (a) If A_i is a covariant vector, show that $\frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x^j}$ is not a tensor but $\frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x^j} - \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x^i}$ is a second order covariant tensor in the generalized co-ordinate system.
- (b) Obtain the Lagrange's equation of motion for simple pendulum.
4. (a) Explain Hamilton's principle and discuss their one application.
- (b) Derive Newton's formula for towards interpolation and explain the assumptions for its validity.

Section-B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Note : Section 'B' contains eight (08) short answer type questions of five (05) marks each. Learners are required to answer *six* (06) questions only.

1. Show that the when n is a positive integer :

$$J_n(x) = (-1)^n J_n(x)$$

2. For Hermite polynomial show that :

$$H_n(-x) = (-1)^n H_n(x)$$

3. Find the finite Fourier sine transform of $e^{\alpha t}$ in the interval $(0, \pi)$.
4. Show that Kronecker delta is a mixed tensor of rank two.
5. Write the covariant derivative of a mixed tensor of rank 2.
6. Discuss in brief Hamilton-Jacobi equations.
7. Show that Poisson brackets are invariant under a canonical transformation are :

$$[x, y]_{q,p} = [x, y]_{Q,P}$$

8. State the assumptions for the validity of Netwon's forward and backward interpolation formulas.

Section-C

(Objective Type Questions)

Note : Section 'C' contains ten (10) objective type questions of one (01) mark each. All the questions of this section are compulsory.

1. The integral $\int_0^\pi P_n(\cos \theta) \sin 2\theta d\theta$, $n > 1$ when $P_n(x)$ is the Legendre polynomial of degree $n > 1$, then equal to :
 - (a) 1
 - (b) $\frac{1}{2}$
 - (c) 0
 - (d) 2

2. For Bessel's function $J_{1/2}$ is given by :

(a) $\sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{x}} \sin x$

(b) $\sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{x}} \cos x$

(c) $\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2x}} \cos x$

(d) $\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\pi x}} \sin x$

3. The Fourier sine integral formula for $f(x)$ is :

(a) $\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty f(t) \sin ut \sin ux \, du \, dt$

(b) $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty f(t) \cos ut \cos ux \, du \, dt$

(c) $\frac{1}{3\pi} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty f(t) \cos ut \sin ux \, du \, dt$

(d) $\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty f(t) \sin ut \cos ux \, du \, dt$

4. Laplace transform of $t^3 e^{-3t}$ is :

(a) $\frac{7}{(s+4)^3}$

(b) $\frac{5}{(s+3)^3}$

(c) $\frac{6}{(s+3)^4}$

(d) $\frac{7}{(s+6)^3}$

5. If A^μ and B_μ are components of contravariant and covariant tensors what is the nature of the quantity $A^\mu B_\mu$?
- Mixed tensor of rank 1
 - A covariant tensor of rank 2
 - A mixed tensor of rank 2
 - Rank zero scale
6. $A_{lm}^{ijk} B_l^m$ is tensor of rank :
- 3
 - 4
 - 5
 - 6
7. The equation $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = 0$, where $L = T - V$:
- Lagrangian equation for conservative system
 - Lagrangian equation for non-conservative system
 - Equation of motion of harmonic oscillator
 - None of the above
8. In the case of canonical transformation :
- The form of the Hamilton equations is preserved.
 - The form of Lagrange equations is preserved.
 - Hamilton's principle is satisfied in old as well as in the new co-ordinates.
 - The form of the Hamilton's equations may or may not be preserved.

9. The differential form of Hermite polynomials is represented by :

(a) $H_n(x) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{-x^2})$

(b) $H_n(x) = \frac{1}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{x^2})$

(c) $H_n(x) = (-1)^n e^{x^2} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{-x^2})$

(d) None of the above

10. Laplace transform of $e^{-2t} \sin 4t$ is :

(a) $\frac{2}{s^2 + 4s + 20}$

(b) $\frac{s - 2}{s^2 + 4s + 20}$

(c) $\frac{s - 4}{s^2 + 4s + 20}$

(d) $\frac{4}{s^2 + 4s + 20}$