

M.Sc. (Mathematics) (NEW CBCS Pattern) Sem-II  
**PSCMTH09 / MSCMTH09 : Classical Mechanics**

P. Pages : 2

Time : Three Hours



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Max. Marks : 100

- Notes : 1. All questions carry equal marks.  
2. Solve all the **five** questions.

**UNIT – I**

1. a) State & obtain the solution for Brachistochrone problem. **10**  
b) Obtain the equation of catenary by the minimum surface of revolution. **10**

**OR**

- c) Derive the Lagrange's equations from the Hamilton's principle. **10**  
d) Discuss the extension of Hamilton's principle to nonholonomic system. **10**

**UNIT – II**

2. a) Show that the momentum conjugate to the time coordinate is the negative of the ordinary Hamiltonian. **10**  
b) Discuss the Routh's procedure & show that this nonignorable coordinates obey the Lagrange equation  
$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial R}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right) - \frac{\partial R}{\partial q_i} = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, s$$
  
With R as a Lagrangian. **10**

**OR**

- c) Derive Hamilton's equations from a variational principle. **10**  
d) Obtain the Hamilton's canonical equations. **10**

**UNIT – III**

3. a) Show that symplectic condition holds for any infinitesimal transformations. **10**  
b) Obtain the equations of canonical transformations. **10**

**OR**

- c) Show that fundamental Poisson brackets are invariant under canonical transformation. **10**  
d) Obtain the equation  
$$p_i \dot{q}_i - H = P_i \dot{Q}_i - k + \frac{df}{dt}$$
 **10**

## UNIT – IV

4. a) Discuss the symmetric group of mechanical system. 10
- b) Show that the constant of motion are generating functions of those infinitesimal transformation that leave the Hamiltonian invariant. 10

**OR**

- c) Obtain the angular momentum Poisson bracket relations. 10
- d) Show that the density of the system in the neighborhood of some given system in phase space remains constant in time 10  
i.e.  $\frac{dD}{dt} = 0$  or  $\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} = -[D, H]$ .
5. a) Show that the shortest distance between two points in a plane is a straight line. 5
- b) Show that :  $\frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial t}$ . 5
- c) State the example of canonical transformation which merely generates the identity transformation. 5
- d) Obtain the relations: 5  
 $\dot{q}_i = [q_i, H], \dot{p}_i = [p_i, H]$ .

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