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Name of the Paper : Mechanics

Name of the Course : B.Sc. (Hons.) Physics (CBCS)

Semester : I

Duration : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

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Attempt any five questions in all.

Q. No. 1 is compulsory.

Use of non-programmable scientific calculator is allowed.

1. Attempt any five of the following : $5 \times 3 = 15$

- (a) Prove that the radius vector sweeps out equal areas in equal intervals of time for any elliptical orbit under central force motion.
- (b) Explain the theory of expanding universe using Doppler effect in light.
- (c) What are the effects of Coriolis force due to Earth's rotation.

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- (d) Show that the ratio of rotational to translational kinetic energy for a solid cylinder rolling down a plane without slipping is 1 : 2.
- (e) Compare gravitational mass with inertial mass of the body.
- (f) Show that $E^2 - c^2 p^2$ is invariant to Lorentz transformations.
- (g) Show that damping has little or no effect on the frequency of a harmonic oscillator if its quality factor is large.
- (h) Explain how a hollow cylinder is stronger than a solid cylinder having same material, mass and length.
2. (a) State and prove Work-Energy theorem. 7
- (b) Show that in an elastic collision of two particles in centre of mass frame of reference, the magnitude of the velocity remains unchanged before and after the collision. 8
3. (a) Find the centre of mass of a uniform solid hemisphere of mass M and radius R w.r.t. its geometrical centre. 7
- (b) Determine the moment of inertia of a uniform hollow sphere of mass M , and radius R about its diameter and tangent. 8

4. (a) Derive the expression for the gravitational potential due to a solid sphere of radius R and mass M at a point outside the shell and also at a point inside the shell. 10
- (b) Show graphically the variation of both gravitational potential and gravitational field as a function of radial distance from the centre of the sphere. 5
5. (a) State and prove theorem of perpendicular axes of moment of inertia for a three-dimensional rigid body. 7
- (b) Establish the relation between Y , K and n where Y is the Young's modulus, K is the bulk modulus and n is the modulus of rigidity of the material. 8
6. (a) Deduce the differential equation of a damped harmonic oscillator and discuss in detail the cases of overdamped, critical and underdamped oscillators. 12
- (b) A condenser of capacity 1 microF, an inductance of 0.2 Henry and a resistance of 800 ohm are connected in series. Is the circuit oscillatory ? If yes, calculate the frequency and quality factor of the circuit. What do you understand by Quality factor of an oscillator ? 3

7. (a) What is Coriolis force ? Show that the total Coriolis force acting on a body of mass m in a rotating frame is $-2m \vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}_{\text{rot}}$, where $\vec{\omega}$ is the angular velocity of rotating frame and \vec{v}_{rot} is the velocity of the body in rotating frame. 9
- (b) Calculate the values of the centrifugal and Coriolis forces on a mass of 20 g placed at a distance of 10 cm from the axis of a rotating frame of reference, if the angular speed of rotation of the frame be 10 radians per second. 4
- (c) Calculate the effective weight of an astronaut ordinarily weighing 60 kg when his rocket moves vertically upward with 5 g acceleration. 2
8. (a) Describe Michelson-Morley experiment and explain the significance of the null result. State the postulates of special theory of relativity. 6,2,2
- (b) The proper mean life time of pi meson is 2.5×10^{-8} sec. Calculate :
- (i) the mean life time of pi meson travelling with velocity 2.4×10^{10} cm/sec.
- (ii) distance travelled by it before disintegrating. 3,2