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**St Aloysius College (Autonomous)**  
**Mangaluru**

**Semester I – P.G. Examination – M.Sc. Physics**  
**February 2021**

**MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS - I**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max Marks: 70

**PART - A**

**Answer all questions choosing ONE from each unit. (15x4=60)**

**UNIT- I**

1. a) Explain concept of Volume integral. If  $\vec{F} = (5xy - x^2)\hat{i} + (2y - 4x)\hat{j}$ , find the integral of  $\vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$  along the curve by  $y = x^3$  in  $x - y$  plane from point (1, 1) to (2, 8). (8)
- b) State Stoke's theorem. Verify Stoke's theorem for  $\vec{A} = (2x - y)\hat{i} - yz^2\hat{j}$ , for the square surface of unit side. (7)

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**OR**

2. a) Express  $\vec{\nabla} \phi$  and  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}$  in cylindrical coordinate system. (8)
- b) Obtain an expression for the curl of a vector function in curvilinear coordinates. Hence, identify it explicitly in spherical coordinate system. (7)

**UNIT- II**

3. a) Find the eigen value and eigen vector of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (5)
- b) Explain with examples the transformation properties of contravariant and covariant tensors. (5)
- c) State and prove quotient law. (5)

**OR**

4. a) Define eigen values and show that the eigen values of Hermitian matrix are real and vectors corresponding to distinct eigen values are perpendicular to each other. (10)
- b) Write a note on algebra of tensors. (5)

**UNIT- III**

5. a) Give an account of classification of second order partial differential equations into elliptic, parabolic and hyperbolic types. Provide an example for each type. (9)
- b) Obtain the general solution of the equation  $\frac{\partial^2 \phi(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi(x, y)}{\partial y^2} = 0$  in Cartesian coordinate system. (6)

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OR

6. a) Separate the equation into three ordinary differential equations in (10)  
cylindrical coordinates.

- b) Solve the partial differential equation  $\frac{\partial^2 U(x,t)}{\partial x \partial t} = 6xe^{-t}$  by direct (5)  
integration.

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UNIT- IV

7. a) Obtain the orthogonality relation satisfied by Bessel functions. (10)  
b) Show that Legendre polynomials satisfy the recurrence relation (5)  
 $(2n+1)xP_n(x) = (n+1)P_{n+1}(x) + nP_{n-1}(x)$

OR

8. a) Arrive at the series solution of Legendre differential equation. (10)  
b) Show that Hermite Polynomial  $H_n(x)$  satisfies the recurrence relation. (5)  
 $2xH_n(x) - 2nH_{n-1}(x) = H_{n+1}(x)$

PART - B

(5x2=10)

Answer any TWO questions:

9. a) Find the gradient of a scalar function  $\phi(r, \theta, \Phi) = r^3 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta \cos \phi \sin \phi$   
in terms of spherical polar coordinates.
- b) Show that  $\sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is both Hermitian and Unitary.
- c) Show that the gradient of a scalar field is covariant vector.
- d) Show that the Hermite polynomials satisfy the relation  
 $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} H_m(x) H_n(x) dx = 0$  if  $m \neq n$ .

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**CLASSICAL MECHANICS**

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**PART - A**

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**UNIT- I**

1. a) Derive Lagrange's equations of motion from D'Alembert's principle. (10)  
b) What are constraints? Discuss their classification with an example. (5)

**OR**

2. a) State and prove work-energy theorem in the case of a single particle system. (5)  
b) Show that if the Lagrangian function does not contain the time explicitly the total energy for the conservative system is conserved. (10)

**UNIT- II**

3. a) Obtain the Hamiltonian and Hamilton's equation for a projectile. (5)  
b) Define canonical transformation and obtain the transformation equation corresponding to all possible generating functions. (10)

**OR**

4. a) Define Poisson bracket. State and prove Poisson's theorem. (7)  
b) Set up Hamilton-Jacobi equation for Hamilton's principal function. (8)

**UNIT- III**

5. a) What is Central force? How do you reduce the two-body problem into one body problem? (8)  
b) Explain classification of the orbits and arrive conditions for closed orbits of a particle moving under a gravitational force. (7)

**OR**

6. a) Derive the Rutherford's formula for scattering of  $\alpha$ -particles by atomic nuclei. (7)  
b) Show that area swept out by the radius vector drawn from sun to the planet in equal times are equal. (8)

**UNIT- IV**

7. a) What are Euler's angles? Obtain an expression for the complete transformation matrix. (10)  
b) Define Inertia tensor. Give its physical significance. (5)

**OR**

8. a) Express angular momentum of a rigid body in terms of angular velocity and moment of inertia. (8)

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- b) Derive Euler's equations of motion for a rigid body. (7)

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9. a) Write the Lagrange's equation of motion for Atwood's machine with  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  as masses suspended by a thread of length  $l$  that passes over a smooth fixed pulley.
- b) Discuss harmonic oscillator as an example of a canonical transformation.
- c) Derive the equations of motion for inverse square law force.
- d) Write note on normal modes of vibration of the system.

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**CLASSICAL ELECTRODYNAMICS**

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 70

## PART - A

Answer all questions choosing one from each unit. (15x4=60)

## UNIT - I

1. a) Define Gauss's Law in Electrostatics. Using this find the field outside a uniformly charged solid sphere of radius  $R$  and total charge  $q$ . (6)
- b) Obtain an expression for multipole expansion for a vector potential of a circular loop carrying current and hence prove that magnetic monopoles do not exist. (9)

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OR

2. a) What is Biot-Savart law? Explain with example. (6)
- b) Using the method of images, find the total charge induced on an infinite grounded conducting plane when a point charge  $Q$  is held at a distance  $d$  above it. (9)

## UNIT - II

3. a) What is gauge transformation? Show that electric and magnetic fields are invariant under a gauge transformation. (7)
- b) Express Maxwell's equations in terms of scalar and vector potentials. (8)

OR

4. a) State and prove Poynting's theorem. (7)
- b) Obtain expressions for Liénard-Wiechert potentials for a moving point charge. (8)

## UNIT - III

5. a) Discuss the propagation of plane electromagnetic waves in conducting media. (10)
- b) Explain the concept of skin depth. (5)

OR

6. a) Describe TE and TM modes of electromagnetic wave propagation in cylindrical waveguide. (10)
- b) Write a note on Q-factor of cavity resonator. (5)

## UNIT - IV

7. a) What are Lorentz transformations? Explain. (5)
- b) Obtain the Lorentz transformations equation for the electric and magnetic fields. (10)

OR

8. a) Express the electromagnetic field in tensor notation. (9)

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- b) Explain the potential formulation of relativistic electrodynamics. (6)

**PART - B**

**Answer any TWO questions:**

9. a) Find the potential inside and outside a spherical shell of radius  $R$  that carries a uniform surface charge.
- b) Write a note on Liénard-Wiechert potentials.
- c) A rectangular waveguide operating in the TE mode, has the dimensions of  $5\text{ cm} \times 3\text{ cm}$ . Calculate its cut off frequency for  $TE_{11}$  mode.
- d) Write a note on Four-vector notations.

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**ELECTRONICS**

Time: 3 hrs.

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**PART - A**

Answer all questions choosing ONE from each unit. (15x4=60)

**UNIT- I**

1. a) Sketch a comparator using op amp and explain its output for a sine wave input. (7)
  - b) What are active filters? Describe the working of low pass and high pass filters with relevant diagrams. (8)
- OR**
2. a) With suitable circuit diagram explain the working of an instrumentation amplifier. Mention its application. (6)
  - b) What is feedback? Explain. Mention its types and describe the voltage series feedback with its circuit. (9)

**UNIT- II**

3. a) Describe the construction and characterization of a UJT. Explain the design of a relaxation oscillator. Derive the expression for its frequency of oscillation. (10)
  - b) What is the difference between the triangular and sawtooth waveforms? Using dual OPAMP circuit explain sawtooth wave generation. (5)
- OR**
4. a) Write the internal circuit diagram of IC 555 timer and explain the working of a monostable multivibrator. (8)
  - b) What is Phase Locked Loop (PLL)? Explain how the PLL can be used as frequency multiplier. (7)

**UNIT- III**

5. a) Explain the concept of class-A and class-B power amplification. Draw the circuit diagram of a class-B push-pull amplifier and explain the working. (9)
  - b) With the circuit diagram and waveform illustrate how AC power control is achieved using Silicon Controlled Rectifier. (6)
- OR**
6. a) What is signal conditioning and why it is required? Develop the block diagram of a DC signal conditioning system and explain the functions of each block. (10)

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- b) What are transducers? Define active and passive transducers. Explain passive transducers. (5)

**UNIT- IV**

7. a) What are synchronous and asynchronous counters? Explain decade counter using a relevant circuit diagram. (10)
- b) With a diagram explain successive approximation ADC. (5)

**OR**

8. a) Explain general microprocessor architecture. (8)
- b) Explain semiconductor memory. (4)
- c) Discuss the theory and circuit of 2 to 4 line MUX. (3)

**PART - B****(5x2=10)****Answer any TWO questions:**

9. a) Explain with the diagram how the OPAMP in the non-inverting configuration can be used as averaging amplifier.
- b) Write a note on voltage controlled oscillator.
- c) What is distortion in amplifier? Explain.
- d) Explain how NAND gate works as a universal gate. Give an example.

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