GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE - NANDIKOTKUR DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

I Year B.Sc. (Hon.) II Semester-Minor Subject-Physics Academic Year 2024-25

Course I: Mechanics & Properties of Matter QUESTION BANK

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UNIT I: Vector Analysis

Short Answer Questions:

- 1.Define Scalar and Vector Fields. Give three examples for each.
- 2.Explain gradient of scalar field.
- 3. Define line integral and surface Integral &Volume Integral

Long Answer Questions:

- 1. Explain gradient of scalar field and give its physical significance
- 2.Define Curl of Vector field and write its significance.
- 3.State and Prove Gauss Divergence theorem.
- 4. State and Prove Stokes Theorem.

UNIT II: Mechanics of Particles:

Short Answer Questions:

- 1.State Newton's laws of motion.
- 2.Distinguish between elastic and inelastic collisions.
- 3. Explain the law of conservation of momentum and energy.
- 4. Write a note on scattering cross section.
- 5.Define impact parameter and scattering cross-section.

Long Answer Questions:

- 1.Describe the equation of motion of a system of variable mass.
- 2.Describe the principle of motion of rocket as a system of variable mass.

- 3.Explain two-dimensional collision in detail
- 4. Explain three -dimensional elastic collision,
- 5. Obtain an expression for Rutherford scattering cross-section.

UNIT III: Mechanics of Rigid Bodies and Continuous Media

Short Answer Questions:

- 1. Define a rigid body. Distinguish between pure translational and pure rotational motion.
- 2. Obtain the equation of motion for a rotating body.
- 3.Define angular momentum. Derive the relationship between angular momentum and kinetic energy.
- 4. What is pure rotatory motion? Define angular velocity, angular momentum and angular acceleration.
- 5. Show that $\tau = I\alpha$ for a rigid body.
- 6. Define Youngs modulus, Bulk modulus, Modulus of rigidity and Poisson's ratio.
- 7.Discuss types of bending.

Long Answer Questions:

- 1. What is symmetric top and precessional motion? Explain the Precession of a top.
- 2.Describe a Gyroscope.
- 3. Explain the Precession of the equinoxes.
- 4. Write a detail note on the elastic constant of isotropic solids and obtain their relation.
- 5. Classify different types of beams
- 6. What are different types of loads?
- 7. Explain point load and distributed load.

UNIT IV: Central Forces

Short Answer Questions:

- 1. Define Central forces and give examples
- 2. Define central forces and write their characteristics.
- 3. Show that central force is conservative.
- 4. Write short note on Motion of satellites.

Long Answer Questions:

- 1. Prove that conservative force is equal to negative gradient of potential energy.
- 2. Obtain the equation of motion of a body under central forces
- 3. State and Prove Kepler's laws of Planetary Motion.

UNIT V: Special theory of Relativity

Short Answer Questions:

- 1. What is frame of reference? Distinguish between Inertial and Non-inertial frames
- 2. Write Galilean transformation equations.
- 3.Explain length contraction.
- 4.Explain Time dilation.
- 5. Explain the addition of velocities.

Long Answer Questions:

- 1.State the Postulates of special theory of relativity. Derive the Lorentz transformation equations.
- 2.Describe the working of Michelson-Morley experiment & Explain negative result.
- 3.Derive Einstein's mass-energy relation.

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