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MATHEMATICS (Honours)

Date : 25/06/2022

Time : 11.00 am – 1.00 pm

Paper : X [CC10]

Full Marks : 50

Group – A

Answer **any two** questions.

[2×10]

1. a) Define astatic equilibrium. Find the necessary and sufficient condition for an equilibrium to be astatic. [1+5]
b) A heavy particle rests on a rough parabola with its axis vertical and vertex downwards. If the latus rectum of the parabola is $4a$, find the greatest altitude above the vertex at which the particle can remain at rest, the coefficient of friction being μ . [4]
2. a) A heavy elastic string whose natural length is $2\pi a$ is placed round a smooth cone whose axis is vertical and whose semi-vertical angle is α . If W be the weight and λ the modulus of elasticity of the string, prove that it will be in equilibrium when in the form of a circle whose radius is $a\left(1 + \frac{W}{2\pi\lambda} \cot \alpha\right)$. [5]
b) A solid hemi-sphere is supported by a string fixed to a point on its rim and to a point on a smooth vertical wall with which the curved surface of the hemisphere is in contact. If θ, ϕ be the inclinations of the string and the plane base of the hemi-sphere to the vertical, prove that $\tan \phi = \frac{3}{8} + \tan \theta$. [5]
3. a) Prove that in a conservative field, the sum of the kinetic and potential energies of a system is constant. [6]
b) A sphere of weight W and radius r lies within a fixed spherical shell of radius R and a particle of weight w is attached to its highest point. Show that the equilibrium will be stable if $W \geq \frac{R-2r}{r} w$. [4]

Group – B

Answer **all** questions, maximum you score 30 marks.

4. Find the tangential and normal components of velocity and acceleration of a particle which describes a plane curve. [6]
5. A particle describes a plane curve under the action of a central force P per unit mass. Prove that, in usual notation, the differential equation of the path of the particle is $\frac{h^2}{p^3} \frac{dp}{dr} = P$. [6]
6. A particle rests in equilibrium under the attraction of two centres of force which attract directly as the distance, their intensities being μ and μ' . The particle is slightly displaced towards one of them, show that the time of small oscillation is $\frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\mu + \mu'}}$. [4]

7. A particle is projected from the earth's surface vertically upwards with a velocity V . If h and H be the greatest heights attained by the particle moving under uniform and variable accelerations respectively, then show that $\frac{1}{h} - \frac{1}{H} = \frac{1}{R}$, where R is the radius of the earth. [5]
8. Find the law of force to the pole when the path is the cardioide $r = a(1 - \cos \theta)$ and prove that if F be the force at the apse and v be the velocity, then $3v^2 = 4aF$. [5]
9. If V_1 and V_2 be the respective velocities of a planet when it is nearest and farthest from the Sun, then prove that $(1 - e)V_1 = (1 + e)V_2$, where e is the eccentricity of the planet's orbit. [4]
10. A particle of unit mass is projected with a velocity V at an angle α above the horizon in a medium whose resistance is k times the velocity of the particle. Show that the direction of its velocity will make an angle $\frac{\alpha}{2}$ above the horizon after a time

$$\frac{1}{k} \log \left(1 + \frac{kV}{g} \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \right). \quad [6]$$

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