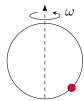
General instructions: answer as much as you can. The person with the highest mark would be scaled to the total 30. Others would have same scaling factor. People caught in the *noble act of cheating* would be given equal *negative* credits.

1. Consider a circular rigid wire in the vertical plane. A bead is constrained to slide along the wire under the action of gravity as shown in the figure. The circular wire is being rotated with a constant angular speed ω about the vertical axis passing through its center.



(a) Classify the constraint (using all four types, as taught in the class). [1]

(b) Identify the generalized coordinates for the bead. [1]

(c) Find the Lagrangian and the equations of motion. [2+1]

(d) Find the Hamiltonian. Is it conserved? [1+1]

(e) Is the total energy conserved? [1]

(f) The bead is released from the rest and is found to be not sliding along the wire. What is the angle of release?

2. A cylinder is rolling without slipping on a horizontal plane under the action of a constant force (F) applied a distance above the axis of the cylinder.



(a) Identify the constraints. [1]

(b) Using Lagrange's equations of the first kind, find the equations of motion. [2]

(c) Find the directions and the magnitudes of the constraint forces. [2]

(d) Is there a value of a for which the constraint force vanishes? Why does it vanish (discuss the reason behind the vanishing constraint force).

(e) For which value of a, the constraint force is maximum?

3. Consider a transformation $(q, p) \to (Q, P)$, such that we have, [3]

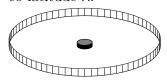
$$Q = q^m p^n; \quad P = q^k p^l$$

where, the numbers in the powers are real.

(a) What are the relations among k, l, m, n, that ensure the above transformation is canonical? [2]

(b) Identify the transformation for k = 0.

4. Consider a puck of mass m released to undergo bouncing motion along the diagonal of a horizontal tray with walls (see the figure below). Assume all motions to be frictionless. The tray is placed at the co-latitude λ .



(a) Find the equations of motion for all velocity components of the puck.

[1]

[2]

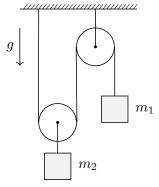
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- (b) Show that the path of the puck rotates about the local vertical axis.
- (c) Find the rate of rotation of the path. [2]
- (d) Is it the same as that of the a pendulum (Foucault)? [1]
- 5. Consider the transformation [4]

$$Q = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{q}{\sqrt{q^2 + \frac{p^2}{\alpha^2}}} \right), \quad P = \frac{1}{2} \left(\alpha q^2 + \frac{p^2}{\alpha} \right).$$

- (a) Show that the above transformation is canonical. [2]
- (b) Find the generating function of (the first kind, i.e. $F_1(q,Q)$) for this transformation. [2]
- 6. Two masses are connected by a massless thin inextensible string and are arranged to move vertically with two massless pulleys as shown in the figure. Both the mass moves only vertically.



- (a) Write down the constraints. [1]
- (b) Identify the virtual displacements. [2]
- (c) Use D'Alembert's principle to find the acceleration of the mass m_1 . [2]
- 7. Suppose a function f(q, p, t) and H are integrals of motion.
 - (a) Show that $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}$ is also an integral of motion. [2]
 - (b) Consider a free particle of mass m. Show that H is an integral of motion. [1]
 - (c) For this free particle show that

$$f(q, p, t) = q - \frac{pt}{m}$$

is an integral of motion.

(d) Verify that $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}$ for the above example is indeed an integral of motion. [1]