## 1 Assignment I

**Problem 1.1.** Define: Generalized coordinates, Degrees of freedom, Constraints (Holonomic and non-holonomic constraints), Generalized velocity, Generalized acceleration, Generalized force, Generalized momentum.

**Problem 1.2.** Derive De'Alembert's principle and hence deduce Lagrange's equation from De'Alembert principle.

Problem 1.3. Define and derive Hamilton principle.

Problem 1.4. Discuss integral principle.

**Problem 1.5.** Which postulate is suitable for working with monogenic system? Discuss with proper logic.

**Problem 1.6.** Distinguish between the concept of configuration space and the physical three-dimensional space.

**Problem 1.7.** Derive Lagrange's equation from Hamilton's principle.

**Problem 1.8.** Use mathematical concept of calculus of variations elaborately to discuss the following properties:

(i) Shortest distance between two points in a plane

(ii) Minimum surface of revolution

(iii) The Branchistochrone problem.

**Problem 1.9.** Discuss the advantage of a variation of principle formulation.

**Problem 1.10.** Find Newton's 2nd law of motion from Hamilton principle.

**Problem 1.11.** Define cyclic coordinates.

**Problem 1.12.** Guptas's Book: P144 (Q. 2,3), P147 (Q. 1,2,3), P150 (Q1)

**Problem 1.13.** Explain the principle of least action with the required diagram features.

**Problem 1.14.** Show the proof of principle of least action.

**Problem 1.15.** Discuss the application of Hamilton equation of motion

(i) simple pendulum

(ii) compound pendulum

(iii) polar coordinates

**Problem 1.16.** Properties (I-IV) P157 (Gupta)

**Problem 1.17.** Derive Hamilton equation of motion.

**Problem 1.18.** Poisson bracket using by first form of generating function.

**Problem 1.19.** How can we get 4 generating function from 4n + 1?

**Problem 1.20.** Why is Lagrangian form convergent to obtain equation of motion?

**Problem 1.21.** Show that the kinetic energy of a system can be written as the sum of three homogeneous function of the generalized velocities.

**Problem 1.22.** Analyze the following with the help of Lagrangian form

(i) Single particle in space

(ii) Cartesian coordinates

(iii) plane polar coordinates.