

Department of Mechanical Engineering  
 Indian Institute of Technology Delhi  
 MCL731: Analytical Dynamics

Time: 9.30 am-10.30 am

Minor Test - II

Maximum Marks: 20

**Instructions**

Use of any electronic devices not permitted; Do not share pencil, eraser, ruler; Assume appropriately any missing data

1. (a) If a coordinate frame is rotated about its  $Z$ -axis by an angle  $\psi$ , followed by a rotation of angle  $\theta$  about the new  $Y$ -axis, then what is the final orientation matrix? Show graphically the final orientation of the coordinate frame, if  $\psi = 90^\circ$  and  $\theta = 30^\circ$ . What is the final orientation matrix? [03]

- (b) If only rotation about  $Y$ -axis is imparted, prove that the angular velocity matrix,  $\Omega_\theta$ , is given by

$$\Omega_\theta = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dot{\theta} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\dot{\theta} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\dot{\theta}$  is the time rate of change of angle  $\theta$ . What is the corresponding angular velocity vector? [02]

2. Given a physical system with a Lagrangian function  $L = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2 + 2\beta z)$  and a constraint  $a\dot{x} + b\dot{y} + c\dot{z} = 0$  where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are the generalized coordinates and  $\beta$ ,  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are some non-zero constants. [03]

(a) Solve for  $\ddot{x}$ ,  $\ddot{y}$ , and  $\ddot{z}$  in terms of the symbols introduced above. [02]

(b) Solve for the constraint forces.

3. Derive Lagrange's equations of motion of the second-kind from Hamilton's principle using the functional  $I$  given by

$$I = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left\{ L(q_1, \dots, q_n, \dot{q}_1, \dots, \dot{q}_n, t) - \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j \phi_j \right\} dt$$

for a holonomic system subjected to  $m$  constraints of the form  $\phi_j(q_1, \dots, q_n, t) = 0$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . [05]

4. The Lagrangian function of an unconstrained physical system can be written in the form

$$L = a(\dot{z} + \dot{y} \cos x)^2 + b(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 \sin^2 x) + c \cos x$$

where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are the generalized coordinates and  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are some non-zero constants. [03]

Find the Routhian function.

5. Is the system in Question 2 conservative or non-conservative? Give reasons. [02]