



Mid-Semester Examination

Ph. D. Coursework, NAS-MUNA

Integrable System

(NWTP 601)

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Date: October 3rd, 2025

Time 10:00 - 12:00 hrs

Total time: 120 minutes

Semester 1/2025

Total marks: 25

Instructions

- I. Attempt all the questions.
- II. Use **ONLY** your class notebook(s).
- III. Use either blue or black ink.
- IV. Try to submit on time.
- V. Individual marks are given in parentheses.

Questions:

1.
 - a) Among Lagrangian and Hamiltonian approaches, which do you think is better and why? Mention one unique property of each approach. [2+1+1]
 - b) Consider a system of two simple pendulum in a 3-dimensional space. What is the dimension of the corresponding phase space? Now replace the strings of each pendulum by a spring and also connect the masses with each other by another spring. What will be the new dimension of the corresponding phase space? [2+3]
 - c) Explain in your own words why observable quantities have to be functionals for a continuous system. Demonstrate it for any one physical quantity of your choice. [2+2]
2.
 - a) Show that the KdV equation is a continuity equation with proper charge and current. [3]
 - b) List 4 different symmetries of the KdV equation. [1+1+1+1]
 - c) Find out a Hamiltonian and the corresponding Poisson Bracket for the KdV system. [3+2]

Best wishes