Three pendula of equal langths, It, and bob masses, m, swing in the vertical plane. Each is connected to the adjacent pendulum by Identical massless springs of unstratched lengths equal to the separations of the hanging points. For small displacements the potential energy of the system is

$$V = \frac{mc}{2} \left((\theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \theta_3^2) + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon (\theta_1 - \theta_2)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon (\theta_2 - \theta_3)^2 \right)$$

where ε is an energy parameter proportional to the spring constant. Use $m = 0 = \ell = 1$ in this problem.

- a) Find the normal mode frequencies.
- b) Describe (qualitatively) the normal mode motions and assign the frequencies of part (a) to them. (If you prefer, you may use physical arguments rather than a full mathematical analysis.)

 $T = \frac{1}{2} m(Q^2 + Q_2^2 + C_3^2)$

 $V = V_{gravitational} + V_{elastic} = mg(-l - lloss, + 1 - leos6_2 + 1$

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Show by any method that the following is a canonical transformation:

$$Q_1 = 2\sqrt{q_2p_2} \ln q_2,$$

$$Q_2 = 2\sqrt{q_1p_1} \ln q_1,$$

$$P_1 = \sqrt{q_2p_2},$$

$$P_2 = \sqrt{q_1p_1}.$$



.) Consider the Hamiltonian from the last problem set:

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2\alpha} - bqp e^{-at} + \frac{b\alpha q^2}{2} e^{-at} (a + b e^{-at}) + \frac{kq^2}{2}.$$

where a, b, α and k are constants.

Consider the transformation:

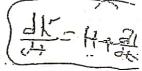
$$Q = q;$$
 $P = p - \alpha b q e^{-at}.$

(a) Show that this is a canonical transformation by showing the symplectic condition for the

Jacobiah matrix is salisfied.

(b) Find the generating function (note there will be explicit time dependence).

(c) Find the new Hamiltonian function and show that it is a constant of the motion?



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. (b) Find $q_1(t)$ and $q_2(t)$ using the initial conditions $q_1(t=0)=\beta_1$ and $q_2(t=0)=\beta_2$. Hence, find

 $\vec{p}_1(t)$ and $p_2(t)$ without further integration using $G = \alpha_2$.

(c) Can there be any other constant of the motion which is explicitly independent of time t? Explain your answer:

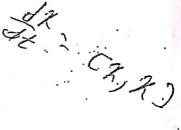
Problem? : Consider a particle moving in a potential V(x,y,z) expressed in Cartesian coordi-

(a) By direct evaluation in terms of canonical variables show that the Poisson bracket of the components of the angular momentum vector $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}$ satisfies

$$:= \{ L_x, L_y \} = L_z; \qquad [L_y, L_z] = L_x; \qquad \text{and} \quad [L_z, L_x] = L_y.$$

(b) If $V(x,y,z) = V(r^2)$ where $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$, show that L_x and L_y are constants of motion using Poisson brackets.

(c) Given the results of (a) and (b) find another constant of motion (other than H).





(c)The tent map is represented by

$$x_{n+1} = 2\alpha x_n$$

for
$$0 < x < \frac{1}{2}$$

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Show analytically that the Lyapunove exponent for the tent map is $\lambda = \ln(2\alpha)$

And discuss the dynamical behavior in term of a.

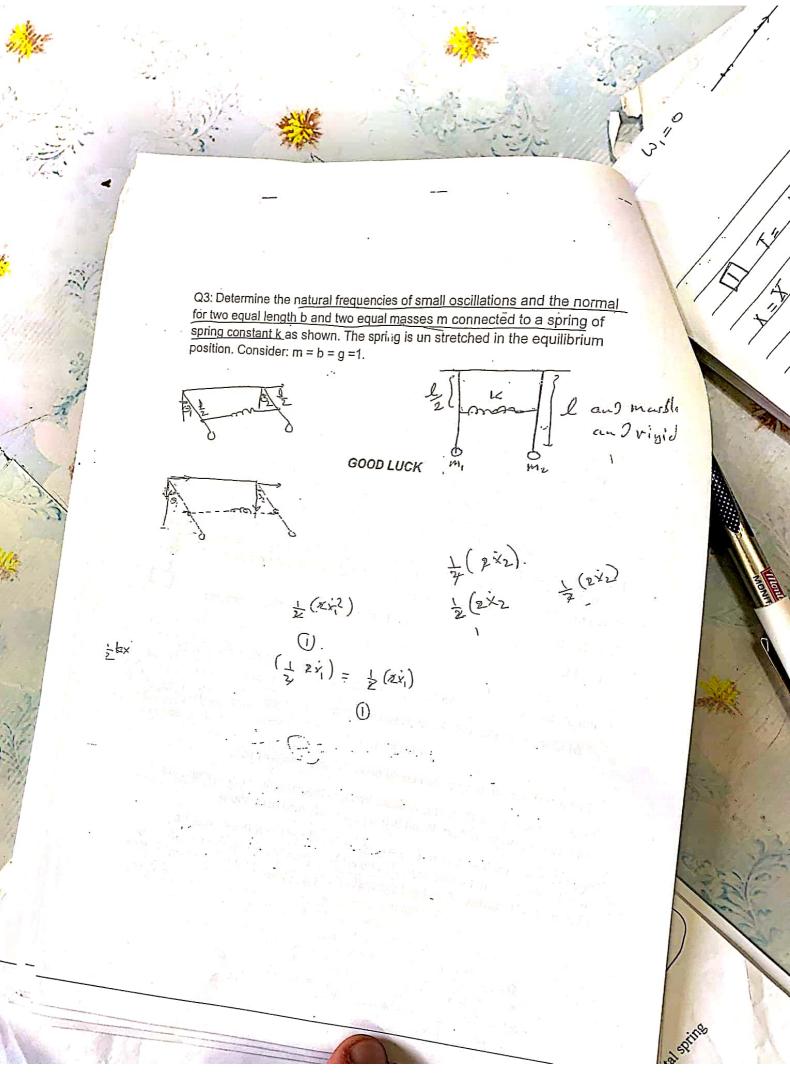
Q4: The moment of inertia of a uniform square sheet of side a and mass m in the xy plane and one corner at the origin along the diagonal is

$$\mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{ma^2}{3} & \frac{-ma^2}{4} & 0\\ \frac{-ma^2}{4} & \frac{ma^2}{3} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2ma^2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

- a) Find the principal moment of inertia of the square sheet about a
- b) Find a set of principal axis associated with the smallest principal moment of inertia.

Good Luck

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Physics 334

Second Exam

Date:24/5/2018

Time: 1.5 hours

Instructor: Dr. E Badran

Q1: A bug crawls outward with constant speed v1 along the spoke of a wheel which is rotating with constant angular velocity ω about a vertical axis.

- a) Find all the apparent forces acting on the bug.
- b) Find how far the bug can crawl before it starts to slip given the (7 points)

Q2: The three principal axes of a tennis racket are (1) along the handle, (2) perpendicular to the handle in the plane of the string and (3) perpendicular to the handle and strings. The moments of inertia are in the following relation

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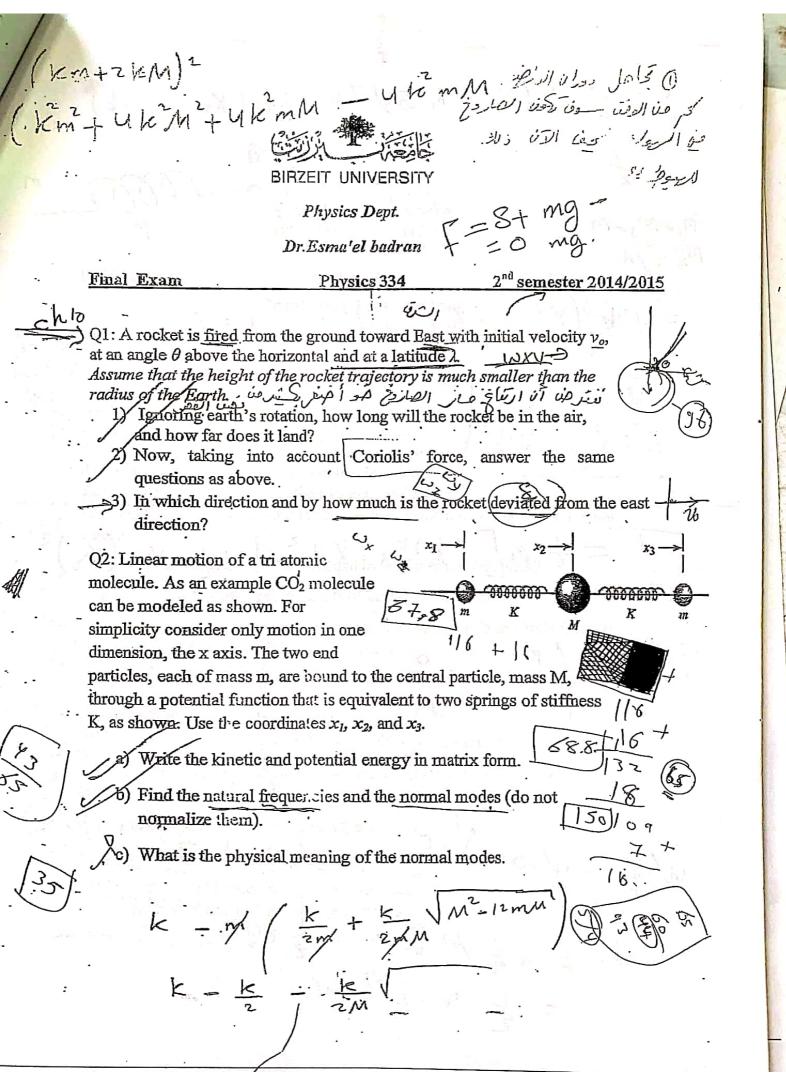
Q3: a) Show that the inertia tensor for a square plate of side a and mass m in coordinate system Oxyz where O is at one corner of the plate and the x and y axes

along the two edges. $I = \begin{pmatrix} ma^2/3 & -ma^2/4 & 0 \\ -ma^2/4 & ma^2/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2ma^2/3 \end{pmatrix}$

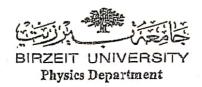
b) Find the angular momentum and kinetic energy of the above plate if it is rotating about the diagonal.

c) Find the principal moments of inertia.

d) Find the principal axes associated with it.(8 points)



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First Exam

Date: 24/3/2015

Time: 75 min.

Instructor: Dr. E. Badran

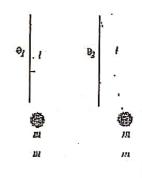
Q1: For a charged particle of mass m, and charge q is moving in the xy plane. The particle is subjected to an electromagnetic field, with vector potential $A = B_0(-y/2, x/2, 0)$ and scalar potential $\varphi(x) = -V_0x$. Then, the Lagrangian can be written as

$$L = T - q \varphi + (q/c) A.v$$

Where ν is the velocity in the xy plane and c is the speed of light.

- A. Find the equations of motion.
- B. Find the canonical momentum in each direction.
- C. Find the Hamiltonian.

Q2: Two identical bobs of mass m are hanging from strings of length *l*. The two pendulums interact with each other through the another supporting string as shown and we assume that the mechanical energy of the system is conserved. The interaction between the two pendulums is modeled as



$$\left\langle V_{int} = -\lambda mgl\theta_1\theta_2 \right\rangle$$

- a) Write the kinetic and potential energy in matrix form.
- . . b) Find the natural frequencies and normal modes of small oscillations
 - c) Discuss the physical meaning of the normal modes.



First Exam hours

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Instructor: Dr. E. Badran

Q1: A spring of rest length L_o (no tension) is connected to a support at one end and has a mass M attached at the other. Neglect the mass of the spring, the dimension of the mass M, and assume that the motion is confined to a vertical plane. Also, assume that the spring only stretches without bending but it can swing in the plane.

- 1. Using the angular displacement of the mass from the vertical and the length that the string has stretched from its rest length (hanging with the mass m), find Lagrange's equations.
- 2. Solve these equations fro small stretching and angular displacements.
- 3. Find the Hamiltonian and set up Hamilton equations

Q2: a) Define chaotic system and how does your definition relate sensitivity to initial conditions to Liapunov exponents?

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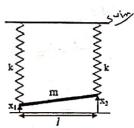
For $\lambda > 0$, where the system could be considered hard or soft.

Draw a phase portrait for this motion. What is the maximum energy and we still have a pound motion. What is the period of small oscillations.

c) Show that the system $y_{n+1} = 1 - yy_n$ with $-(\sqrt{-x_n})$ and 0 < y < 2 can be transformed to the logistic map $x_{n+1} = \alpha x_n (1-x_n)$ by substituting y = cx + d. Find y, c, d in terms of α . Find the first three bifurcations for the system.

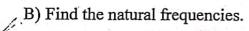
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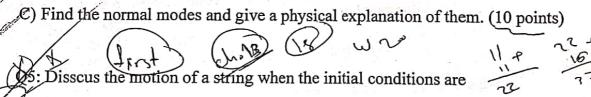
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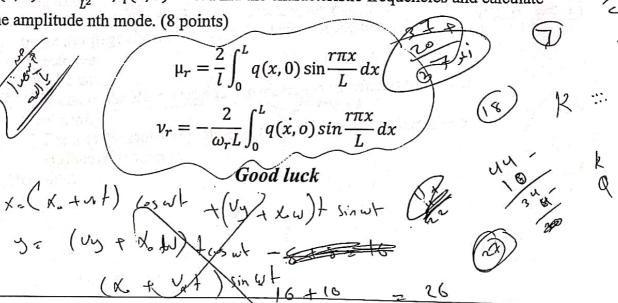
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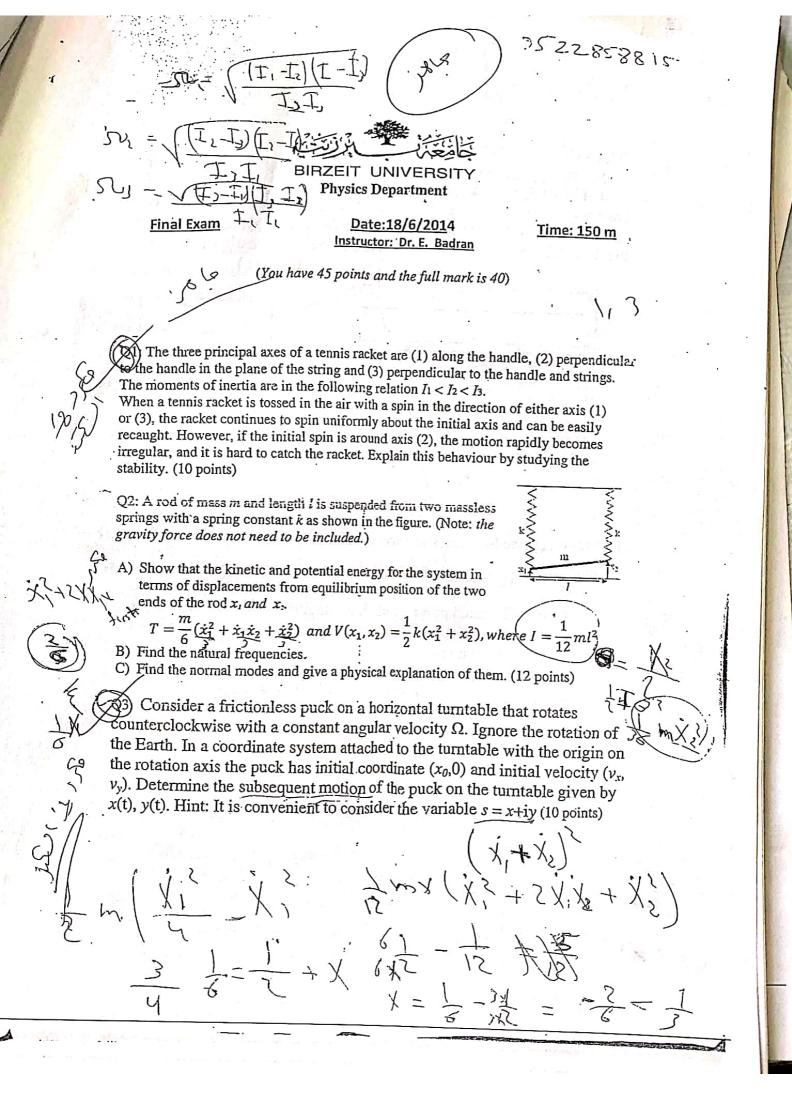


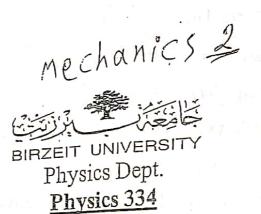


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First Hour Exam Time: 1:15 Hours

Spring 2005/2006 Date: 4/4/2006

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Final Exam

Time: 150 min

Instructor: Dr. E. Badran (The exam has 44 points and the full mark is 40)

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- D) Determine the torques needed to keep the disk spinning without wobble?

E) (10 points)

Consider a cube placed on a flat table with one face directly in front of you.

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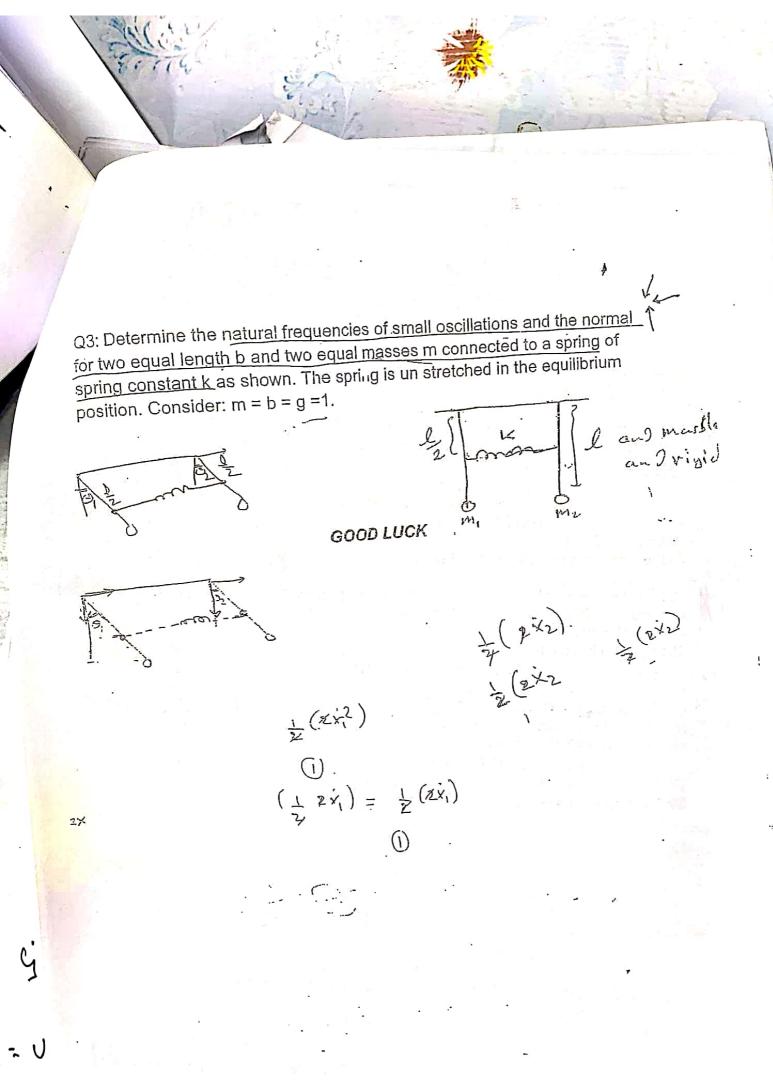
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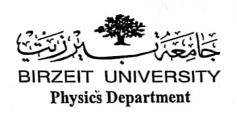
2) Then the cube is rotated by $\pi/2$ about the new x axis.

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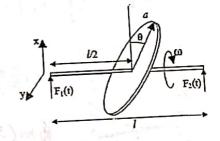
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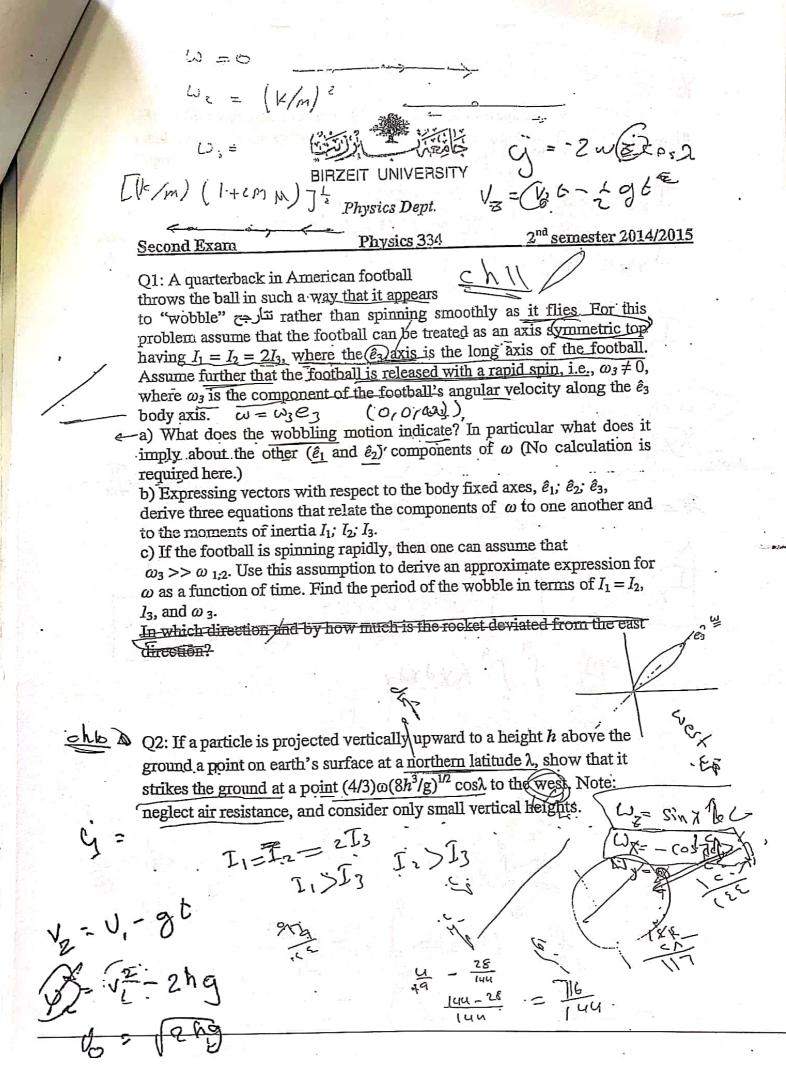
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Q3: Part one: The tent map is represented by the following interaction:

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 for $0 < x < \frac{1}{2}$

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 for $\frac{1}{2} < x < 1$

Where $0 < \alpha < 1$.

- a) Plot the bifurcation diagram for the tent map starting $x_1 = 0.3$ and $x_2 = 0.3$, 0.4, 5.2, 0.6, 0.5
- b) Find analytically the Lyapunov exponent. And how it is related to your bifurcation diagram.

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Second Exam

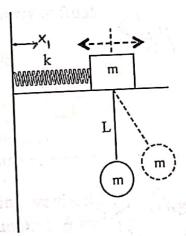
Physics 334

2nd semester 2016/2017

Q1: A pendulum of length L and mass m is connected to a block also of mass m that is free to move horizontally on a frictionless surface. The block is connected to a wall with a spring of spring constant k. For the special case where

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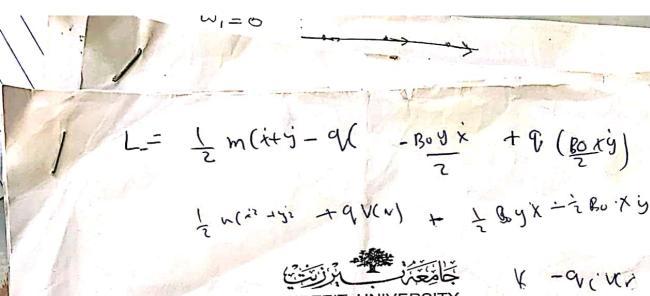
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Physics 334

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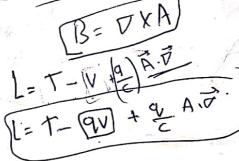
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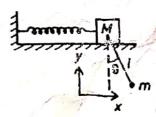
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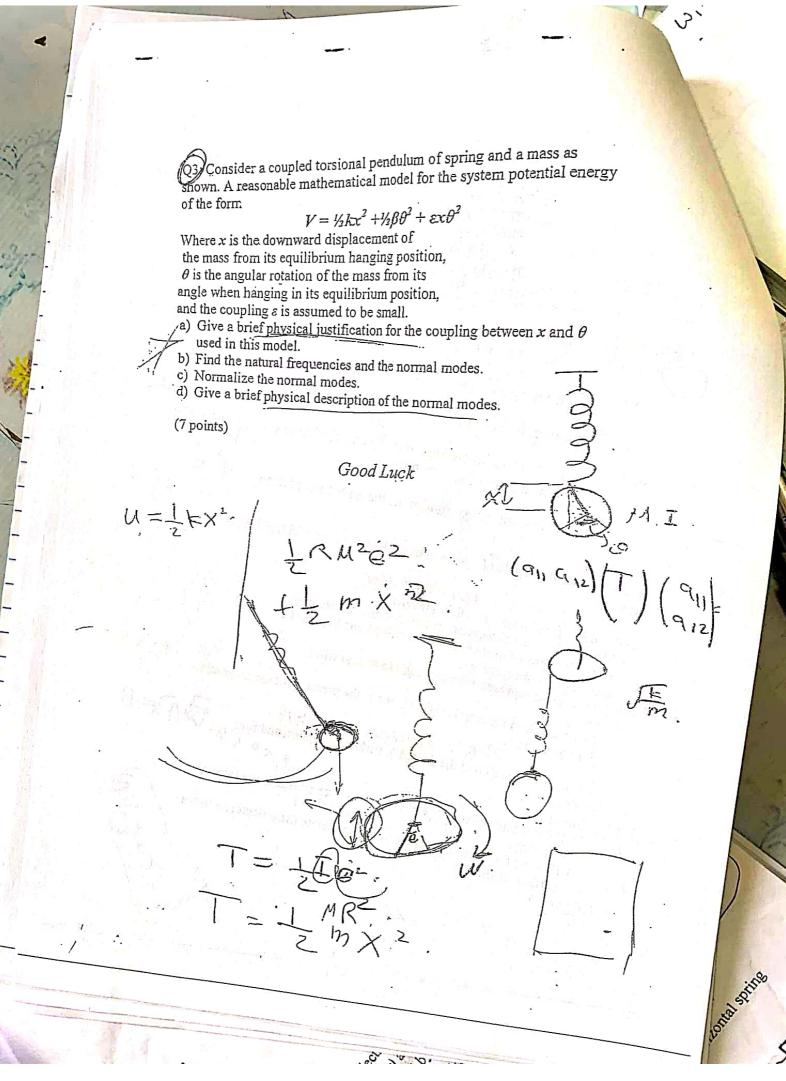
- A) Write the Lagrangian of the system.
- B) Find the Hamiltonian.
- C) Find the equations of motion and solve them.



Q2:A simple pendulum consisting of a mass m and weightless string of length l is mounted on a support of mass M which is attached to a horizontal spring with force constant k as shown in Fig..

- a) Set up the Kinetic and potential energy in matrix form.
- b) Find the frequencies for small oscillations.
- c) Find the normal modes
- d) What is the physical meaning of the normal modes





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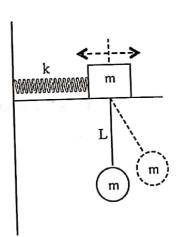
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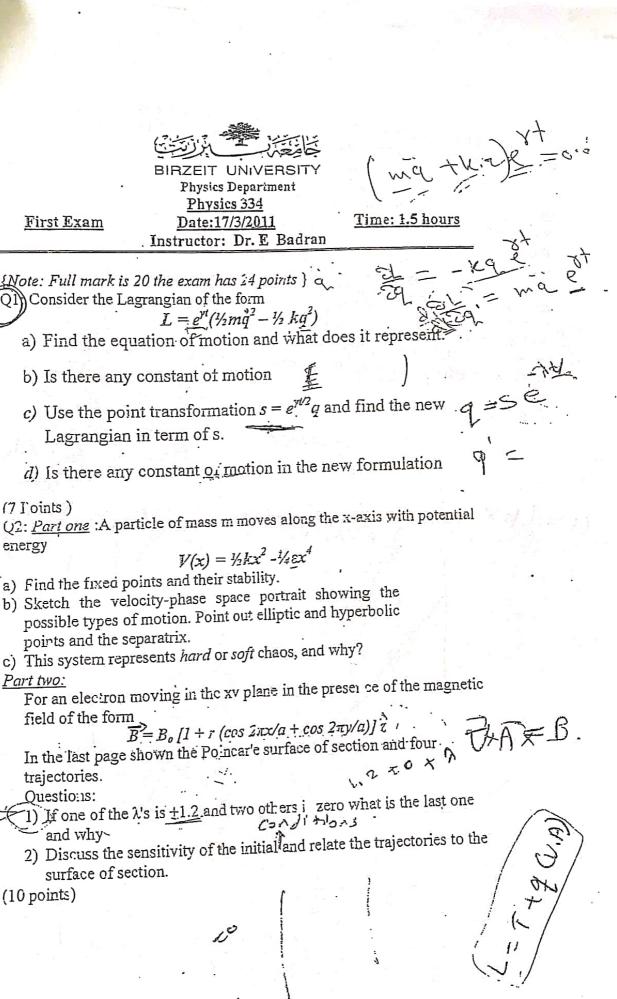
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A) Find the angular momentum and kinetic energy, when it is rotating with angular velocity ω about the diagonal through the origin.

B) Find the angular momentum and kinetic energy, when it is rotating with angular velocity ω about the z – axis.

- C) Find the principal moment of inertia of the rectangular sheet about the corner.
- D) Find the direction of the principal axis of the largest principal moment. (10 points)

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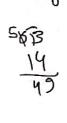
$$\Lambda_{2} = \omega_{2} \sqrt{\frac{(I_{2}-I_{1})(I_{2}-I_{3})}{I_{1}I_{3}}}$$

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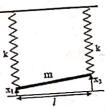
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- B) Find the natural frequencies.
- C) Find the normal modes and give a physical explanation of them. (10 points)
- Q5: Disscus the motion of a string when the initial conditions are

 $q(x,0) = \frac{4x(L-x)}{L^2}$, $\dot{q}(x_L0) = 0$. Find the characteristic frequencies and calculate the amplitude nth mode. (8 points)

$$\mu_r = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^L q(x,0) \sin \frac{r\pi x}{L} dx$$

$$v_r = -\frac{2}{\omega_r L} \int_0^L q(\dot{x}, o) \sin \frac{r\pi x}{L} dx$$

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$$-\frac{8\times + l}{\chi^2}\left(\frac{-l}{n\pi}\cos\frac{n\pi\chi}{l}\right) - \frac{8}{h^2\pi^2}\sin\frac{n\pi\chi}{l}$$

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(c)The tent map is represented by

$$x_{n+1} = 2\alpha x_n$$

for
$$0 < x < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x_{n+1} = 2\alpha(1 - x_n)$$

Show analytically that the Lyapunove exponent for the tent map is $\lambda = \ln(2\alpha)$

And discuss the dynamical behavior in term of a.

Q4: The moment of inertia of a uniform square sheet of side a and mass m in the xy plane and one corner at the origin along the diagonal is

$$\mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{ma^2}{3} & \frac{-ma^2}{4} & 0\\ \frac{-ma^2}{4} & \frac{ma^2}{3} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2ma^2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

- a) Find the principal moment of inertia of the square sheet about a
- b) Find a set of principal axis associated with the smallest principal moment of inertia.

Good Luck

2x1xm2+2xm2+2xx

Show by any method that the following is a canonical transformation:

$$Q_1 = 2\sqrt{q_2p_2} \ln q_2,$$

$$Q_2 = 2\sqrt{q_1p_1} \ln q_1,$$

$$P_1 = \sqrt{q_2p_2},$$

$$P_2 = \sqrt{q_1p_1}.$$



.) Consider the Hamiltonian from the last problem set:

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2\alpha} - bqp e^{-at} + \frac{b\alpha q^2}{2} e^{-at} (a + b e^{-at}) + \frac{kq^2}{2}.$$

where a, b, α and k are constants.

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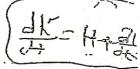
$$Q = q;$$
 $P = p - \alpha b q e^{-at}.$

(a) Show that this is a canonical transformation by showing the symplectic condition for the

Jacobiah matrix is salisfied.

(b) Find the generating function (note there will be explicit time dependence).

(c) Find the new Hamiltonian function and show that it is a constant of the motion?



Problem Given the Hamiltonian $H=q_1p_1-q_2p_2+aq_1^2-bq_2^2$, where a and b are constants: (a) One obvious constant of motion is H itself; Show that $F=q_1q_2$ and $G=(p_1+aq_1)/q_2$ are constants of the motion.

. (b) Find $q_1(t)$ and $q_2(t)$ using the initial conditions $q_1(t=0)=\beta_1$ and $q_2(t=0)=\beta_2$. Hence, find $\vec{p}_1(t)$ and $p_2(t)$ without further integration using $G = \alpha_2$.

(c) Can there be any other constant of the motion which is explicitly independent of time t? Explain your answer:

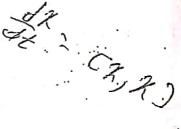
Problem? : Consider a particle moving in a potential V(x,y,z) expressed in Cartesian coordi-

(a) By direct evaluation in terms of canonical variables show that the Poisson bracket of the components of the angular momentum vector $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}$ satisfies

$$:= \{ [L_x, L_y] = L_z; [L_y, L_z] = L_x; \text{ and } [L_z, L_x] = L_y.$$

(b) If $V(x,y,z) = V(r^2)$ where $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$, show that L_x and L_y are constants of motion using Poisson brackets.

(c) Given the results of (a) and (b) find another constant of motion (other than H).





Three pendula of equal langths, It, and bob masses, m, swing in the vertical plane. Each is connected to the adjacent pendulum by Identical massless springs of unstratched lengths equal to the separations of the hanging points. For small displacements the potential energy of the system is

$$V = \frac{mc}{2} \left((\theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \theta_3^2) + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon (\theta_1 - \theta_2)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon (\theta_2 - \theta_3)^2 \right)$$

where ε is an energy parameter proportional to the spring constant. Use $m = 0 = \ell = 1$ in this problem.

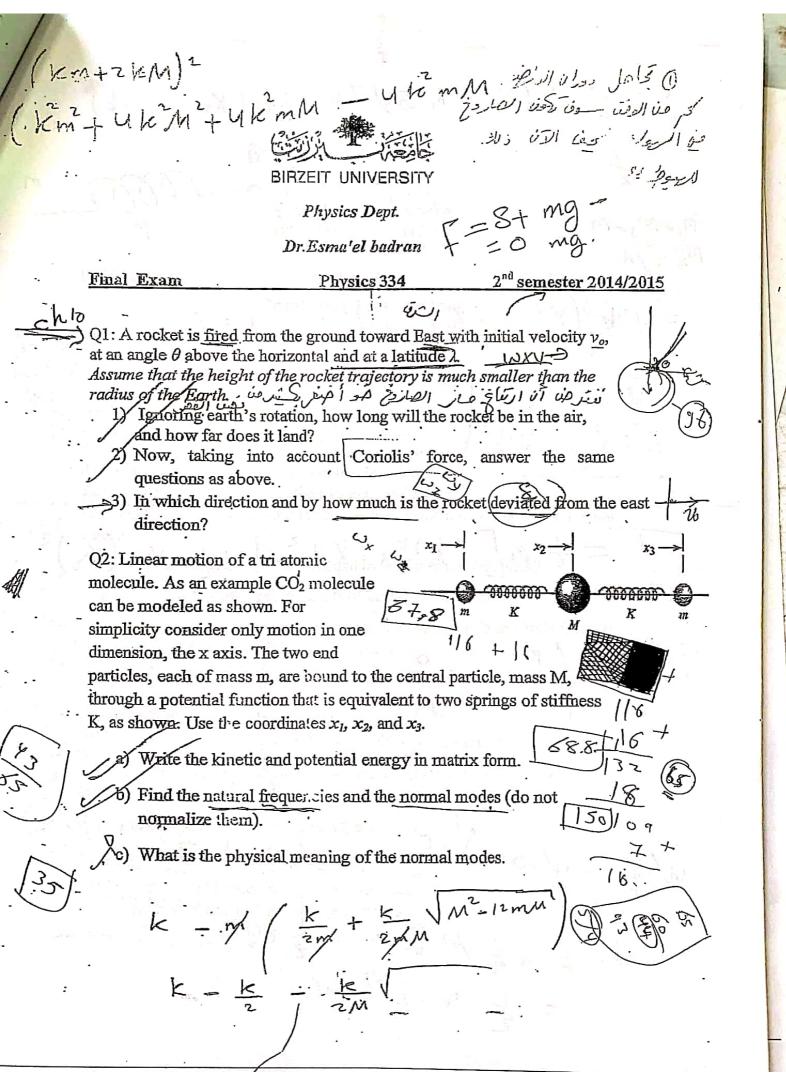
- a) Find the normal mode frequencies.
- b) Describe (qualitatively) the normal mode motions and assign the frequencies of part (a) to them. (If you prefer, you may use physical arguments rather than a full mathematical analysis.)

 $T = \frac{1}{2} m(Q^2 + Q_2^2 + C_3^2)$

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Physics 334

Second Exam

Date:24/5/2018

Time: 1.5 hours

Instructor: Dr. E Badran

Q1: A bug crawls outward with constant speed v1 along the spoke of a wheel which is rotating with constant angular velocity ω about a vertical axis.

- a) Find all the apparent forces acting on the bug.
- b) Find how far the bug can crawl before it starts to slip given the (7 points)

Q2: The three principal axes of a tennis racket are (1) along the handle, (2) perpendicular to the handle in the plane of the string and (3) perpendicular to the handle and strings. The moments of inertia are in the following relation

I1 < I2 < I3, When a tennis racket is tossed in the air with a spin in the direction of either axis (1) or (3), the racket continues to spin uniformly about the initial axis and can be easily recaught. However, if the initial spin is around axis (2), the motion rapidly becomes irregular, and it is hard to catch the racket. Explain this behaviour by studying the stability. (7 points)

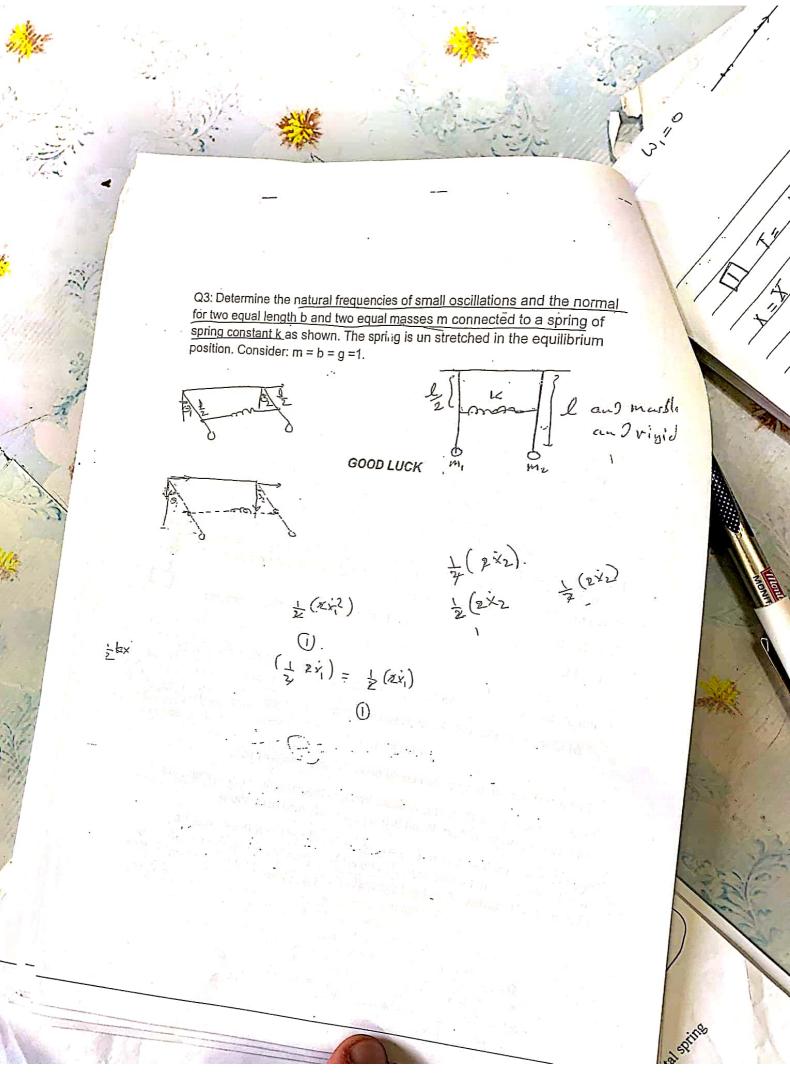
Q3: a) Show that the inertia tensor for a square plate of side a and mass m in coordinate system Oxyz where O is at one corner of the plate and the x and y axes

along the two edges. $I = \begin{pmatrix} ma^2/3 & -ma^2/4 & 0 \\ -ma^2/4 & ma^2/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2ma^2/3 \end{pmatrix}$

b) Find the angular momentum and kinetic energy of the above plate if it is rotating about the diagonal.

c) Find the principal moments of inertia.

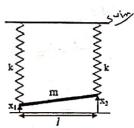
d) Find the principal axes associated with it.(8 points)



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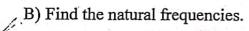
(03: Consider a frictionless puck on a horizontal turntable that rotates counterclockwise with a constant angular velocity Ω . Ignore the rotation of the Earth. In a coordinate system attached to the turntable with the origin on the rotation axis the puck has initial coordinate $(x_0,0)$ and initial velocity (v_x, v_y) . Determine the subsequent motion of the puck on the turntable given by x(t), y(t). Hint: It is convenient to consider the variable s = x + iy (8 points)

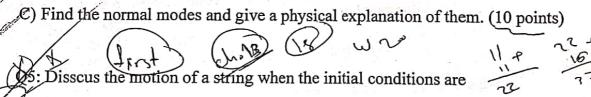
A rod of mass m and length l is suspended from two massless springs with a spring constant k as shown in the figure. (Note: the gravity force does not need to be included.)



A) Show that the kinetic and potential energy for the system in terms of displacements from equilibrium position of the two ends of the rod x_I and x_2 .

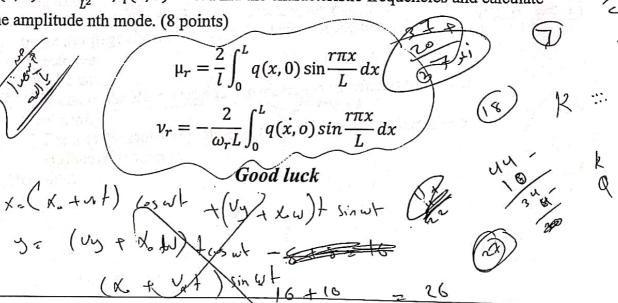
$$T = \frac{m}{6}(\dot{x}_1^2 + \dot{x}_1\dot{x}_2 + \dot{x}_2^2) \text{ and } V(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}k(x_1^2 + x_2^2), \text{ where } I = \frac{1}{12}ml^2$$





 $q(x,0) = \frac{4x(L-x)}{L^2}$, $\dot{q}(x,0) = 0$. Find the characteristic frequencies and calculate

the amplitude nth mode. (8 points)





First Exam hours

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Date:16/3/2010

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Instructor: Dr. E. Badran

Q1: A spring of rest length L_o (no tension) is connected to a support at one end and has a mass M attached at the other. Neglect the mass of the spring, the dimension of the mass M, and assume that the motion is confined to a vertical plane. Also, assume that the spring only stretches without bending but it can swing in the plane.

- 1. Using the angular displacement of the mass from the vertical and the length that the string has stretched from its rest length (hanging with the mass m), find Lagrange's equations.
- 2. Solve these equations fro small stretching and angular displacements.
- 3. Find the Hamiltonian and set up Hamilton equations

Q2: a) Define chaotic system and how does your definition relate sensitivity to initial conditions to Liapunov exponents?

by Consider a particle influenced by a force of the form

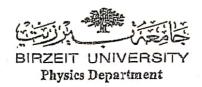
 $F(x) = -kx + \lambda x^2$

For $\lambda > 0$, where the system could be considered hard or soft.

Draw a phase portrait for this motion. What is the maximum energy and we still have a pound motion. What is the period of small oscillations.

c) Show that the system $y_{n+1} = 1 - yy_n$ with $-(\sqrt{-x_n})$ and 0 < y < 2 can be transformed to the logistic map $x_{n+1} = \alpha x_n (1-x_n)$ by substituting y = cx + d. Find y, c, d in terms of α . Find the first three bifurcations for the system.

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First Exam

Date: 24/3/2015

Time: 75 min.

Instructor: Dr. E. Badran

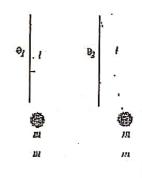
Q1: For a charged particle of mass m, and charge q is moving in the xy plane. The particle is subjected to an electromagnetic field, with vector potential $A = B_0(-y/2, x/2, 0)$ and scalar potential $\varphi(x) = -V_0x$. Then, the Lagrangian can be written as

$$L = T - q \varphi + (q/c) A.v$$

Where ν is the velocity in the xy plane and c is the speed of light.

- A. Find the equations of motion.
- B. Find the canonical momentum in each direction.
- C. Find the Hamiltonian.

Q2: Two identical bobs of mass m are hanging from strings of length *l*. The two pendulums interact with each other through the another supporting string as shown and we assume that the mechanical energy of the system is conserved. The interaction between the two pendulums is modeled as



$$\left\langle V_{int} = -\lambda mgl\theta_1\theta_2 \right\rangle$$

- a) Write the kinetic and potential energy in matrix form.
- . . b) Find the natural frequencies and normal modes of small oscillations
 - c) Discuss the physical meaning of the normal modes.



Final Exam

Time: 150 min

Instructor: Dr. E. Badran (The exam has 44 points and the full mark is 40)

Q1: A disk of mass m and radius is a mounted in the middle of massless rod of length $\it l$. The plane of the disk is tilted by an angle θ away from the normal to the rod. Initially the disk is at rest tilted up, as shown in the figure. At t = 0 it begins to rotate around the axis of

the rod with an angular velocity ω in the direction shown. The rod is supported at the two ends and forces

 F_1 (t) and F_2 (t) are such that it rotates without wobble with a constant angular velocity.

- A) What are direction of the principal axes of inertia of the disk?
- B) Calculate the principal moments of inertia of the disk?
- C) What are the components of the angular velocity ω in the body frame of reference?
- D) Determine the torques needed to keep the disk spinning without wobble?

E) (10 points)

Consider a cube placed on a flat table with one face directly in front of you.

A) Find the matrix of rotation which represent the following displacement of the cube-

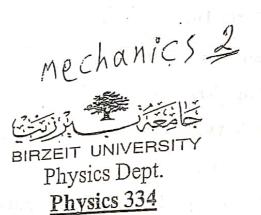
1) The cube is rotated by $\pi/2$ about the y.

2) Then the cube is rotated by $\pi/2$ about the new x axis.

B) Find the axis and rotation angle that will accomplish the same displacement in a single rotation about a single axis. (8 points)

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First Hour Exam Time: 1:15 Hours

Spring 2005/2006 Date: 4/4/2006

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