

Second Semester Examination, November, 2005

MATH4104**ADVANCED HAMILTONIAN DYNAMICS & CHAOS**

(Unit Courses, Inf. Tech.)

Time: THREE HOURS for working

Ten minutes for perusal before examination begins

Check that this examination paper has 15 printed pages!**CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN ONLY FOR WORK WRITTEN ON
THIS EXAMINATION PAPER!**

Students should attempt all questions.

The questions each carry 10 marks and part marks are as indicated.

The exam paper is a total of 60 marks.

Calculators allowed.

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TOTAL MARKS			

Q1. (a) Find the function that is related to

$$L(r, \theta, \phi, \dot{\theta}, \dot{\phi}) = \frac{mr^2}{2}(\dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{\phi}^2) \sin^2 \theta - \frac{A}{r}$$

by a Legendre transform with both $\dot{\theta}$ and $\dot{\phi}$ active and the other variables passive.

Show that the Legendre transform relations hold for your solution.

(4 marks)

Q1.

- (b) Show carefully that the following Hamiltonians are integrable and give their integrals of motion.

(i) $H(q, p, t) = \frac{p^2}{2} + \cos(q + \omega t) \cos(q + 2\omega t)$

(ii) $H(\theta_1, \theta_2, I_1, I_2) = 2I_1^2 + I_2^2 + I_1 I_2 \cos(3\theta_1 - \theta_2)$

(6 marks)

Q2. (a) Give the primary resonance conditions for the following Hamiltonian.

$$H(\theta_1, \theta_2, I_1, I_2) = 2I_1^2 + 3I_1I_2 + 4\epsilon I_1^2 \sin(\theta_2) \cos(\theta_2) \cos(\theta_1)$$

(4 marks)

Q2.

- (b) Construct the near identity transformation that transforms the Hamiltonian in part a) to

$$K(\phi_1, \phi_2, J_1, J_2) = 2J_1^2 + 3J_1J_2 + \epsilon J_1^2 \sin(2\phi_2 - \phi_1)$$

to first order in ϵ . Give the actual functions $\phi_i(\theta_i, I_i)$ and $J_i(\theta_i, I_i)$ to first order in ϵ .

(6 marks)

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Q3. (a) Give the continued fraction expansion of $\frac{47 - \sqrt{5}}{38}$.

(3 marks)

Q3.

- (b) Derive conditions on $f(\theta_n, I_{n+1})$ and $g(\theta_n, I_{n+1})$ for the following twist map to evolve canonically.

$$\begin{aligned} I_{n+1} &= I_n + \epsilon f(\theta_n, I_{n+1}) \\ \theta_{n+1} &= \theta_n + 2\pi\omega(I_{n+1}) + \epsilon g(\theta_n, I_{n+1}), \quad \text{mod}(2\pi) \end{aligned}$$

(3 marks)

Q3.

(c) Show that the Standard Map

$$I_{n+1} = I_n - K \sin \theta_n$$

$$\theta_{n+1} = \theta_n + I_{n+1}$$

is a product of two involutions.

(4 marks)

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Q4 What is the BGS conjecture ? In less than one page explain what it has to say about the quantum description of systems that are classically chaotic.

(10 marks)

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- Q5 Consider a system with integrable (regular) classical dynamics. Suppose the corresponding quantum system is described by an N dimensional Hilbert space. Assume that the dynamics of this system is well described by a suitable random matrix ensemble and order the energy levels so that $\epsilon_1 \leq \epsilon_2 \dots \leq \epsilon_N$. Let $p_r(\lambda)$ be the probability of obtaining an energy level spacing of λ for the r^{th} -nearest neighbour spacing (that is to say the energy level spacing $\epsilon_{n+r} - \epsilon_n = \lambda$ for arbitrary n). Show that for systems with a regular dynamics this is given by

$$p_r(\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^{r-1}}{(r-1)!} e^{-\lambda}$$

assuming we have scaled the energy to give an average level spacing of unity.

(10 marks)

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Q6 Consider a quantum system described by a Hilbert space of dimension N . Let $|\psi_0\rangle$ be an arbitrary initial state. The survival probability, $P_{\psi_0}(t)$, is defined as the probability that the system will still be found in its initial state, $|\psi_0\rangle$, after a time $t > 0$. If we average over all initial states and over a suitable random matrix ensemble it is possible to write the average survival probability as

$$\overline{P(t)} = \frac{2}{N+1} + \frac{N-1}{N+1} \int_0^\infty P^N(\lambda) \cos(\lambda t) d\lambda$$

where $P^N(\lambda)$ is the probability that an energy level spacing of λ occurs between any pair of energy levels.

(a) Show that, in general,

$$P^N(\lambda) = \frac{2}{N(N-1)} \sum_{r=1}^{N-1} (N-r) p_r(\lambda)$$

where $p_r(\lambda)$ is the probability of obtaining an energy level spacing of λ for the r^{th} -nearest neighbour spacing

(2 marks)

(b) Prove that, for a system with regular dynamics the average survival probability, $\overline{P(t)}$, never drops below its long time limit of $2/(N+1)$, while for chaotic systems it may drop below the long time limit for some time.

(8 marks)

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