



CBCS SCHEME

15AE73

Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Aug./Sept.2020

Aircraft Stability and Control

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 80

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. Briefly explain Fuselage contribution to stability using Multhopp's method. (08 Marks)
- b. A wing-body model is tested in a subsonic wind tunnel. The lift is found to be zero at a geometric angle of attack $\alpha = -1.5^\circ$. At $\alpha = 5^\circ$, the lift coefficient is measured as 0.52. Also, at $\alpha = 1.0^\circ$ and 7.88° , the moment coefficients about the center of gravity are measured as -0.01 and 0.05 , respectively. The center of gravity is located at $0.35C$. Calculate the location of the aerodynamic center and the value of $C_{m_{ac_{wb}}}$. (08 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. Derive an expression for elevator angle versus equilibrium lift coefficient. (10 Marks)
- b. For the given general aviation airplane, its forward most center of gravity position is as follows: $C_{m_{cg}} = -0.20 - 0.035\alpha$ where α is in degrees. Estimate flap effectiveness parameter of the airplane at the landing angle of attack of 10° . Assume that the elevator angle is constrained to $+20^\circ$ and -25° .
Reference geometry: $S = 184 \text{ m}^2$, $S_H = 43 \text{ m}^2$, $C_{L_{\alpha_t}} = 3.9$ per rad, $b = 33.4 \text{ m}$, $l_t = 16 \text{ m}$, $c = 5.7 \text{ m}$, $\eta = 1$. (06 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. How Hinge Moment parameters can be estimated? (06 Marks)
- b. Derive an expression for stick-free neutral point with necessary graph and compare it with stick-fixed neutral point. (10 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. Obtain an expression for stick force gradients, $\frac{dF}{dV} = K_\rho V(A + h_{\delta_t} \delta_t)$. (10 Marks)
- b. Write a short note on Weather Cocking effect. (06 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Obtain a relationship to rate of roll for a given stick force varies inversely with the density of the air and with the velocity, V and also inversely with the span to the fourth power. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain Dihedral effect. (06 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. For the NAVION airplane, estimate the roll control power, $C_{l_{\delta a}}$. Assume that the wing and aileron geometry are as:
 $b/2 = 16.7$ m, $\lambda = 0.54$, $C_r = 7.2$ m, $C_t = 3.9$ m, $y_1 = 11.1$ m, $y_2 = 16$ m, $s = 184$ m²,
 $C_{l_{\alpha_0}} = 4.44/\text{rad}$, $\tau = 0.36$.

Take for tapered wing; $C = C_r = \left[1 + \left(\frac{\lambda - 1}{b/2} \right) y \right]$ (06 Marks)

- b. Develop a governing equation for an airplane in pure pitching motion and discuss the angle of attack time history of a pitching model for various damping ratios. (10 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. Briefly explain gravitational and thrust force. (08 Marks)
 b. Starting with X-force equation, use the small disturbance theory to determine the linearized force equation. Assume a steady level flight for the reference flight conditions. (08 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. Derive an expression for change in forward velocity. (08 Marks)
 b. Obtain the derivatives due to the time rate of change of the angle of attack. (08 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. Determine whether the characteristic equations given below have stable or unstable roots:
 i) $\lambda^3 + 6\lambda^2 + 12\lambda + 8 = 0$
 ii) $2\lambda^3 + 4\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 12 = 0$ (08 Marks)
 b. Briefly explain Dutch roll and spiral instability with relevant sketches. (08 Marks)

OR

- 10 Write short notes on:
 a. Wind shear
 b. Flying qualities
 c. Cooper-Harper scale
 d. Auto-rotation and spin (16 Marks)

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