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Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2023 Wind Tunnel Techniques

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

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

Module-1

- 1 a. Write Buckingham's theorem and explain it briefly. What is the relationship of the effect on pressure drop (ΔP) of the variables d , L , ρ , μ , v . (12 Marks)
- b. Define the following non-dimensional numbers:
- Force co-efficient
 - Euler's number
 - Reynolds number
 - Moment coefficient. (08 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. Explain the following:
- Geometric similarity
 - Kinematic similarity
 - Dynamic similarity. (12 Marks)
- b. Obtain the expression for the following non-dimensional number:
- Froude's number
 - Mach's number
 - Reynolds number. (08 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. Explain briefly. How to determine flow angularity in wind tunnel (subsonic wind tunnel). (06 Marks)
- b. Explain the process of setting Mach number in a supersonic tunnel. (04 Marks)
- c. What is meant by low speed wind tunnel and supersonic tunnel? Explain briefly the parameters to be calibrated in each of them. (10 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. Write a short notes on horizontal buoyancy, flow angularity and flow uniformity. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain with a neat sketch, working of Hot-wire anemometer. (10 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Briefly explain the following:
- Tuft flow visualization
 - Smoke flow visualization
 - Oil flow visualization. (08 Marks)
- b. With the aid of a neat sketch, discuss in detail the working of u-tube manometer and multitube manometer. (12 Marks)

Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.
2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg, 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.

OR

- 6 a. With a neat sketch explain the following:
i) A wire-type balance
ii) Strut-type balance
iii) Platform-type balance. (15 Marks)
- b. What are the different types of pressure measuring devices? Explain briefly any one of them. (05 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 Explain the principle of operation of laser-doppler anemometer. List out its advantages and limitation. (20 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. Classification of Non-Intrusive flow measurement techniques. (08 Marks)
- b. Explain the principle of operation of particle image velocimetry. What are its advantages? (12 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. Explain the challenges faced during the design of wind tunnel model. (10 Marks)
- b. List various components of wind tunnel and explain. (10 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. With a neat sketch, explain wind tunnel contractions and at an equation for contraction ratio. (10 Marks)
- b. Write a short note on: i) Honey comb ii) The diffuser. (10 Marks)
