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## Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2024

### Aircraft Stability and Control

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

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

#### Module-1

- 1 a. The wing fuselage pitching moment characteristics of a high-wing, single-engine, general aviation airplane follow, along with pertinent geometric data:  $C_{mC_{g_{wf}}} = -0.05 - 0.0035\alpha$  where  $\alpha$  is the fuselage reference line angle of attack in degrees and wf means wing fuselage.  $S_w = 178 \text{ m}^2$ ,  $\frac{X_{C_g}}{c} = 0.1$ ,  $b_w = 35.9 \text{ m}$ ,  $AR_w = 7.3$ ,  $\tau_w = 5 \text{ m}$ ,  $C_{L_{\alpha_{wf}}} = 0.07/\text{deg}$ ,  $i_w = 2^\circ$ ,  $C_{L_{\alpha=0}} = 0.26$ . Estimate the horizontal tail area and tail incidence angle  $i_t$ , so that the complete airplane has the following pitching moment characteristics.  $C_{mC_{g_{wft}}} = 0.65 - 0.025\alpha$  where  $\alpha$  is in degrees and wft is the wing fuselage tail contribution. Assume  $l_t = 14.75 \text{ m}$ ,  $\eta = 1$ ,  $AR_t = 4.85$ ,  $C_{L_{\alpha_t}} = 0.073/\text{deg}$ . (12 Marks)
- b. Explain longitudinal static stability and its criteria to achieve it. (08 Marks)

**OR**

- 2 a. Derive an expression for wing contribution for the longitudinal static stability of an airplane. (10 Marks)
- b. Derive the expression for elevator control power. (10 Marks)

#### Module-2

- 3 a. Derive the estimation of hinge moment parameters in stick free conditions. (10 Marks)
- b. Derive the expression for stick free neutral point. (10 Marks)

**OR**

- 4 a. Briefly explain about aerodynamic balancing in longitudinal stability. (10 Marks)
- b. Derive stick force gradients in an unaccelerated flight conditions. (10 Marks)

#### Module-3

- 5 a. Briefly explain the following terms with relevant sketches:
  - (i) Adverse yaw
  - (ii) Cross wind landings
  - (iii) Asymmetric power
  - (iv) Spin recovery (12 Marks)
- b. Briefly explain about one engine inoperative condition. (04 Marks)
- c. Explain Rudder lock. (04 Marks)

**OR**

- 6 a. Write short notes on dihedral effect and aileron reversal. (10 Marks)
- b. Obtain the relation for lateral control power. (10 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 e.g. 42.8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.

**Module-4**

- 7 a. Derive rigid body equations of motion. (12 Marks)  
b. Obtain derivatives due to change in forward speed. (08 Marks)

**OR**

- 8 a. Obtain the derivatives due to the time rate of change of angle of attack of an airplane. (10 Marks)  
b. Obtain the derivative due to rolling rate. (10 Marks)

**Module-5**

- 9 a. Explain Dutch Roll and Spiral instability with relevant sketches. (10 Marks)  
b. Briefly explain about the Routh's criteria. (10 Marks)

**OR**

- 10 a. Explain briefly about the Cooper-Harper scale. (10 Marks)  
b. Write short notes on the following:  
(i) Auto rotation  
(ii) Spin  
(iii) Wind shear (10 Marks)

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