

**B.Tech. AEROSPACE ENGINEERING
(BTAE)**

Term-End Examination

December, 2016

BAS-017 : FLIGHT MECHANICS

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : *Attempt seven questions in all. Question no. 1 is compulsory. Attempt any six questions from the remaining questions. Use of scientific calculator is permitted.*

1. Explain the following terms and their importance : 3+3+4
 - (a) Trim Tab
 - (b) Wing dihedral
 - (c) Rudder power

2. Derive the expression for pitching moment curve slope and pitching moment at zero lift for stick-free longitudinal case, i.e., for C_{m_α}' and C_{m_0}' for complete aircraft. 10

3. (a) Define adverse yaw. How can it be taken care of ? Explain the design criteria for rudder in adverse yaw. 2+2+4

(b) Define weathercock stability with the help of sketches. 2

4. Define stick-fixed and stick-free neutral points. Calculate stick-fixed and stick-free neutral points using the following data : 2+2+3+3

$$X_{ac} = 0.25 \bar{C} \qquad C_{L\alpha_w} = 0.11 \text{ per deg}$$

$$\bar{C} = 1.7 \text{ m} \qquad C_{L\alpha_t} = 0.091 \text{ per deg}$$

$$l_t = 7 \text{ m} \qquad \eta_t = 0.95$$

$$S_w = 30 \text{ m} \qquad C_{m\alpha_f} = 0.12 \text{ per rad}$$

$$S_t = 4.5 \text{ m} \qquad C_{h\alpha_t} = -0.016 \text{ per rad}$$

$$AR_w = 8 \qquad C_{h\delta_e} = -0.027 \text{ per rad}$$

$$C_{L\delta_e} = 0.25 \text{ per rad}$$

5. (a) Define dihedral effect. How does dihedral affect the lateral stability of the aircraft ? 2+4

(b) Derive the expression for aileron power. 4

6. Define stick force gradient and explain its importance. How can you estimate maneuver point (stick-fixed) experimentally ? 2+3+5

7. Define the following terms : 5×2
- Damping in yaw
 - Restoring characteristics
 - Elevator effectiveness
 - Trim condition
 - Stability
8. Write short notes on the following : 2×5
- Methods of Aerodynamic Balancing
 - Control of Wing Torsional Diversion
9. Define static stability. Calculate C_{m_0} (pitching moment coefficient at zero lift) and C_{m_α} (pitching moment curve slope) for complete aircraft for stick-fixed condition using the following data : 2+4+4
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| $C_{L_{0w}} = 0.31$ | $C_{m_{acw}} = -0.11$ |
| $C_{L_{\alpha_w}} = 0.11 \text{ per deg}$ | $C_{m_0_{fus}} = -0.01$ |
| $C_{L_{\alpha_t}} = 0.091 \text{ per deg}$ | $C_{m_{\alpha_{fus}}} = 0.12 \text{ per rad}$ |
| $X_{C_\delta} = 0.29 \bar{C}$ | $S_w = 30 \text{ m}^2$ |
| $X_{ac} = 0.25 \bar{C}$ | $S_t = 4.5 \text{ m}^2$ |
| $AR_w = 8$ | $l_t = 5.5 \text{ m}$ |
| $i_w = 1.1 \text{ deg}$ | $\eta_t = 0.92$ |
| $i_t = -1.1 \text{ deg}$ | |
| $\bar{C} = 1.9 \text{ m}$ | |