

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

**Term-End Examination  
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**BAS-023 : AIRCRAFT DESIGN / LAUNCH  
VEHICLE / ROCKET DESIGN**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 70*

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*Note : Attempt any **seven** questions. All questions carry equal marks. Use of scientific calculator is permitted.*

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1. A light UAV is to be designed for carrying an instrument/equipment load of 15 kgs. Its maximum velocity is 75 kmph. A pusher type piston-prop weighing 4.5 kgs capable of delivering 14 IHP is readily available.
  - (a) Work out gross weight for an endurance of 4 hrs.
  - (b) Carry out weight breakdown analysis.
  - (c) Prepare preliminary design of the wing.
  - (d) Work out major dimensions.
  - (e) Prepare a 3-view drawing.

Be reasonable to assume data required with justification.

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2. (a) Make use of representative sketches/diagrams to compare the design features of (i) AN-32, (ii) Boeing 737.

Which of the above is superior to the other in its own way ?

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- (b) Compare the aerodynamic, structural and propulsion aspects of HAL built Avro-748 and NAL designed SARAS airplane. Make use of sketches/diagrams representing these two airplanes.

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3. Explain the role of aircraft mock-up in the design and development of a new airplane. Illustrate with emphasis on structural arrangement, layout and systems deployment.

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4. Explain with representative sketches/diagrams the aerodynamics, structures and propulsion of the supersonic commercial jetliner Concorde.

(a) Which technical/engineering factors were its strong points ?

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(b) What forced Concorde to retire from service ?

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5. What are the possible locations of Jet engines on an airplane (both civil and military) ? Illustrate each of these with sketches/diagrams of existing/past airplanes. Describe the merits of them.

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6. Bring out your choice of the location of the wing of an airplane from the following :

- (a) High wing
- (b) Low wing
- (c) Mid wing

Design for a commercial, long range Jetliner. Argue on the basis of aerodynamics, structures, propulsion and other considerations. Make use of sketches, diagrams and plots to support your choice.

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7. Design a preliminary 3-view layout for a light UAV for a  $V_{\max}$  of 90 kmph,  $W_{\text{gross}}$  of 125 kg and weight of air-borne equipment is 35 kg. A pusher type piston engine of 22 IHP weighing 8.5 kg is readily available. Keep the  $C_D$  as 0.025. Select suitable airfoil section and wing geometry for unmanned airplane. Assume missing data and follow proper design procedure for this problem.

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8. (a) Differentiate between tricycle and tail wheel configurations. 5
- (b) What are the advantages of lower taper ratio? Explain with a neat sketch. 5

9. What is the effect of the following in the performance of an airfoil :  $5 \times 2 = 10$

- (a) Thickness to chord ratio
- (b) Maximum thickness
- (c) Location of maximum thickness
- (d) Leading edge radius
- (e) Location of maximum camber