

**SECOND SEMESTER M.TECH. (AEROSPACE ENGINEERING)****END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, MAY/JUNE 2018****SUBJECT: FLIGHT MECHANICS [ICE 5202]**

Time: 3 Hours

MAX. MARKS: 50

**Instructions to Candidates:**

- ❖ Answer **ALL** the questions.
- ❖ Missing data may be suitably assumed.

- 1A.** Derive the force equations for aircraft motion in the body axis system. **5**
- 1B.** Describe earth axis to body axis transformation with neat diagrams. **3**
- 1C.** An aircraft model T-37 is executing the loop at the following conditions: **2**

Euler angles:  $\psi = 0$  deg.,  $\theta = 30$  deg,  $\phi = 0$  deg

The pilot observes a pure pitch rate at a constant velocity in the body axis system:

$$\vec{\omega}_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0.1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_B \text{ rad/s} \quad \vec{V}_B = \begin{bmatrix} 200 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_B \text{ ft/s}$$

What is the acceleration in the Earth-fixed reference system?

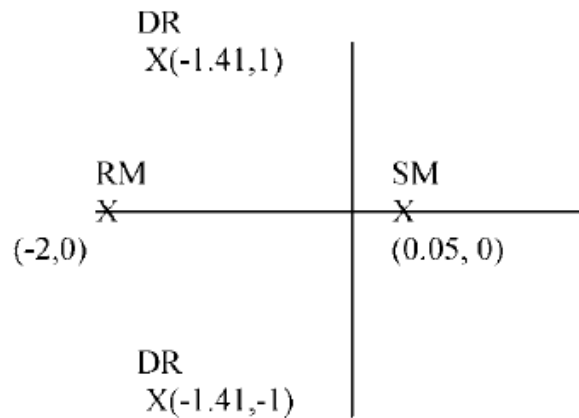
- 2A.** What do you mean by aircraft specific endurance? Derive average value endurance equation and Breguet endurance equation. A **T-37** aircraft model at **20000 ft.** has a drag polar  $C_D = 0.02 + 0.057C_L^2$ . The aircraft has an initial weight of 6000 lb. and 500 lb. of usable fuel. If the TSFC at sea level is 0.9/h, find the maximum endurance. **5**
- 2B.** Derive the expression for turn rate and turn radius for an aircraft in a level turn. Determine the load factor, bank angle and turn radius for an aircraft in a level turn at a true airspeed for 120 km and turn rate of 15 deg/s. **3**
- 2C.** Derive an expression for an aircraft's rate of climb. **2**
- 3A.** Find the expressions for glide range and rate of descent for an aircraft. Also comments on the condition to maximize the rate of descent. **5**
- 3B.** The following data apply to a turbojet aircraft:  $C_D = 0.02 + 0.057C_L^2$ ; Initial weight = **6000 lb**,  $S = 184 \text{ ft}^2$ ;  $TSFC = c = 1.25/\text{h}$  at sea level and  $\rho = 0.008907$ . Find the range for this jet at **30000 ft** if the pilot is flying for max range and has **1000 lb** of fuel available. **3**
- 3C.** An aircraft has a **20-kn** headwind and would like a **200-kn** ground speed. If the aircraft is flying at **10,000 ft** (standard day), what indicated airspeed should it fly if the position error is **-1 kn**? **2**
- Note:  $f$  factor=0.995,  $\rho = 0.00176$ ,  $\rho_{SL} = 0.00238$
- 4A.** Describe trim conditions and stability requirements for longitudinal static stability of an aircraft. **5**
- 4B.** How to estimate aircraft pitching moment coefficient  $C_m$  using first order Taylor series expansion? Illustrate briefly. **3**

- 4C.** Derive an expression for  $C_{mC_L}$  in terms of static margin, noting that  $C_{mC_L} = \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial C_L}$ . **2**
- 5A.** What do you mean by short period and phugoid natural frequencies? The following is the longitudinal characteristics equation for an F-89 Scorpion flying at 20000 ft. at Mach 0.638. **5**

$$(s^2 + 4.2102s + 18.2329)(s^2 + 0.00899s + 0.003969) = 0$$

Determine the short period and phugoid natural frequencies.

- 5B.** Given the location of the following roots on the complex plane, **3**



Determine the time constant for the dutch roll (DR), spiral mode (SM) and roll mode (RM). Also determine the natural frequency and damping ratio of the dutch roll mode.

- 5C.** For the following given equation **2**

$$\ddot{X} + 1.8 \dot{X} + 9X = 9,$$

What is the solution at  $t=0.3s$ ?

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