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V SEMESTER B.TECH. (AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING) END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, NOV/DEC 2019

SUBJECT: ROCKET PROPULSION [AAE 3103]

REVISED CREDIT SYSTEM (22/11/2019)

Time: 3 Hours

MAX. MARKS: 50

Instructions to Candidates:

- Answer **ALL** the questions.
- Missing data may be suitable assumed.
- (Thermodynamics data hand book will be provided)
- The air moving at a velocity of 150 m/s. The static conditions are 100 kPa and 25° C. (02) Calculate the Mach number and stagnation properties.
- 1B. A ramjet engine flies at an altitude of 6500 m and the flight Mach number is M=1.2. (05) The diameter of inlet diffuser at entry is 50 cm and stagnation temperature at the nozzle entry is 1500K. The calorific value of the fuel used is 40 MJ/kg. The properties of the combustion gases are same as those of air (k=1.4; R=287 J/kgK). The velocity of the air at the diffuser exit is negligible. The efficiency of the diffuser =0.9, Combustor =0.98 and the nozzle =0.96

Calculate: (i) the efficiency of the ideal cycle (ii) Flight speed (iii) Air flow rate (iv) Diffuser pressure ratio (v) fuel air ratio (vi) Nozzle jet mach number.

- 1C. Describe the working of a valved type and valveless pulse jet engine with neat (03) sketch.
- 2A. Explain with a neat sketch the characteristic differences between bell nozzle, (03) expansion deflection nozzle, and aerospike nozzles
- 2B. A rocket projectile has the following characteristics: (04) Initial mass =200kg; Mass after rocket operation = 130 kg Payload, non propulsive structure = 110 kg; Rocket operating duration = 3.0 second; Average specific impulse of propellant =240 second Determine, the vehicles mass ratio, propellant mass fraction, propellant flow rate, thrust, thrust to weight ratio, effective exhaust velocity, total impulse, and the impulse to weight ratio

- **2C.** Derive the expression for thrust coefficient (C_F) from fundamentals and show that the (03) obtained expression is dependent on gas property (γ), nozzle geometry (ϵ), and pressure distribution through the nozzle (P_1/P_2)
- **3A.** What are the differences between an inhibitor, liner and internal insulator used in (04) solid propellants? Give any 2 examples of each. What are the properties required for an effective inhibitor?
- **3B.** With neat sketches describe the various tank arrangements for large turbo-fed liquid (02) propellant rocket engines
- **3C.** Explain with a neat sketch the difference between the gas generator cycle and (04) combustion tap of cycle
- **4A.** Explain the main ingredients in the manufacture of composite propellants. Give (04) examples for each
- **4B.** What are Pyrofuse and ZPP initiators made up of? What is the function of an **(03)** initiator?
- **4C.** What are the methods used for thrust extinction in case of solid propellant rockets? (03)
- **5A.** Compare the combustion characteristic of Solid propellant, Liquid propellant and **(04)** Hybrid propulsion systems with neat sketches
- **5B.** List any 4 fuels & oxidizers used in hybrid propulsion rockets? (02)
- **5C.** Explain with neat diagram the construction and working of Magneto-Plasma Rocket (04) Engine