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EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

SMA 533: FLUID MECHANICS II

DATE: WEDNESDAY 27TH APRIL 2011

TIME: 9.00 A.M -12.00 NOON

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO.

QUESTION ONE

- (a) State four differences between open channel and pipe flow. (8 marks)
- (b) Define the following terms
- (i) Depth of flow section
 - (ii) Top width
 - (iii) Wetted area
 - (iv) Wetted perimeter
 - (v) Hydraulic radius (1 marks x 5)
- (c) A triangular gutter, whose sides include an angle of 60° conveys water at a uniform depth of 300 mm. If the discharge is $0.08 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$, determine the gradient of trough. Use Chezy's formula assuming that $C= 52$. (9 marks)
- (d) (i) Define dimensional analysis and state 3 of its advantage. (5 marks)
- (ii) Determine the dimensions Kinematic viscosity. (3 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- (a) Discuss the most economic section of (i) A channel , hence show that a rectangular channel will be most economical when the depth of flow is equal to half the base width any hydraulic radius equal to half the depth of flow. (14 marks)
- (ii) A rectangular channel is to be dug in the rock portion of a soil. Find its most economic cross- section if it is to convey $24 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ of water with an average velocity of 6 m/s take Chezy's Constant $C= 50$. (6 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- (a) (i) Define dimensional homogeneity. (2 marks)
- (ii) State three uses of dimensional homogeneity. (3 marks)
- (b) The resistance R of a supersonic plane during flight can be considered as depend upon the length of the aircraft, velocity v , air viscosity μ air density ρ and modulus of air K . Express the functional relationship between these variables and the resisting force. Explain the physical meaning of the dimensionless group. (15 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) (i) State three advantages of model testings. (3 marks)
- (ii) Differentiate between Kinematics similarity and Dynamics similarity (2marks)
- (iii) Discuss two forces influencing Hydraulic phenomena . (3 marks)
- (iv) A ship 300m long A 1: 100 model of this ship is tested in a wind tunnel. The velocity of air in the wind tunnel around is 60 m/s . Determine the velocity of ship in sea – water and also resistance of the ship in sea water. The density of air is given as 1.24 kg/m^3 . Take the Kinematic Viscosity of sea-water and air as $0.012 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ and $0.018 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ respectively. (6 marks)
- (b) Discuss most economical trapezoidal channel section. (6 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Define the following (i) line source (2 marks)
- (ii) line sink (2 marks)
- (b) Discuss the complex velocity potential dual to a line source and a line sink.(6 marks)
- (c) State and outline the proof of Blasius theorem. (10 marks)
