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B.A./B.Sc. (Honours) Examination 2019

Semester – VI

Mathematics

Course: BMC-64

(Mechanics-IV & Mathematical Modelling)

Time: Three Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Notations and symbols have their usual meanings.

Unit-I (Marks: 24)

Mechanics-IV (Hydrostatics)

Answer *any four* questions

1. a) Define stress, thrust and shearing stress on a surface of a fluid. 1.5
b) Show that in a homogeneous fluid at rest under gravity, the difference of the pressures between any two points in the same vertical line is proportional to the difference of their depths. 2
c) A small uniform circular tube, whose plane is vertical, contains equal quantities of fluids whose densities are ρ and σ , ($\rho > \sigma$), and do not mix. If they together fill half the tube, show that the radius passing through the common surface makes with the vertical an angle $\tan^{-1} \frac{\rho - \sigma}{\rho + \sigma}$. 2.5
2. a) Obtain a necessary condition for a fluid of mean density ρ to be in equilibrium under the external force $\mathbf{F} = (X, Y, Z)$ per unit mass of the fluid. 3
b) Show that if the field of force is conservative, the surface of equi-pressure, equi-density and equi-potential energy coincide. Hence find the differential equations of the equi-density and equi-pressure surfaces. 1.5+1.5
3. a) A given volume V of liquid is acted upon by forces $-\mu x/a^2, -\mu y/b^2$ and $-\mu z/c^2$ along the rectangular Cartesian coordinate axes, where μ, a, b and c are constants. Find the equation of the free surface. 2
b) Show that the pressure at a small depth z below the surface of a sphere of water attracted to the centre of the sphere with a force producing an acceleration μ/r^2 at a distance r is approximately $\Pi + g\rho(z + z^2/a)$, where a is the radius of the sphere, Π the pressure at the free surface, and g the attraction of a unit mass at the surface of the sphere. 4
4. a) Explain the notion of thrust of a heavy homogeneous liquid on a plane surface. 2
b) A hollow weightless cone of vertical angle 2α is filled with fluid, and suspended freely from a point on the rim of its base. Show that the ratio of the thrust on the base and the weight of fluid, the cone would contain, is $12 \sin^2 \alpha : \cos \alpha \sqrt{1 + 15 \sin^2 \alpha}$. 4

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5. a) Define the centre of pressure of a given area in a fluid. Find the depth of the centre of pressure of a plane area immersed in a fluid under the action of gravity. 1+2
 b) A lamina in the shape of a quadrilateral $ABCD$ has its side CD in the surface of a liquid and the sides AD, BC vertical and equal to α, β respectively. Show that the depth of the centre of pressure is $\frac{1}{2} \frac{(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)(\alpha + \beta)}{\alpha^2 + \alpha\beta + \beta^2}$. 3
6. a) State the conditions of equilibrium of a freely floating body immersed wholly or partially in a fluid. 2
 b) Define Metacentre of a freely floating body, and hence obtain the condition(s) for stable and unstable equilibria. What is surface of buoyancy? 2+1+1

Unit-II (Marks: 20)
 Mathematical Modelling
 Answer **any two** questions

1. a) State the concept of mathematical modelling. Sketch a schematic representation of the modelling process. Classify the models and indicate their differences with illustrations. 4
 b) Show that the energy is not conserved in the spring-mass system in the presence of friction unlike that in frictionless system. 4
2. a) Consider $\dot{x} = f(x)$ as one-dimensional autonomous dynamical system with $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which is strongly differentiable on $\mathbb{R}$. If $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ is a fixed point with $f(x_0) = 0$, then show that x_0 is asymptotically stable if $f'(x_0) < 0$ and unstable if $f'(x_0) > 0$. 4
 b) Find the fixed points of the following systems and examine their stability
 (i) $\frac{dx}{dt} = 4x^2(x+1)^3(x-3)^2$
 (ii) $\frac{dx}{dt} = x^2 - x^5$ 4
3. a) Define Lyapunov stability of the solutions of the n -dimensional dynamical system $\dot{x} = X(x, t)$. Hence show that all solutions of the n -dimensional system $\dot{x} = -x$ are stable for $t \geq 0$ in the Lyapunov sense. 4
 b) Evaluate the Jacobian for the following autonomous system

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_1^2(x_1 - x_2)^3$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_2^3(x_1 - x_2)^2$$
 and hence examine the stability of the system at $(0, 0)$. 4