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B.Tech Odd Semester (CBCS) Exam., December—2017

AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING

(3rd Semester)

Course No. : AECC-01

(Fluid Mechanics)

Full Marks : 50 Pass Marks : 15

Time : 2 hours

- Note: 1. Answer any five questions.
 - 2. Begin each answer in a new page.
 - 3. Answer parts of a question at a place.
 - 4. Assume reasonable data wherever required.
 - 5. The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.
 - **1.** (*a*) Define buoyancy. State Archimedes principle. 1+2=3
 - (b) A small gas bubble rising in an open batch fermenter has a radius of 0.5 cm when it is 3 m below the surface (shown in Fig. 1). Determine the radius of the bubble when it is 1 m below the surface. It may be assumed that the pressure inside the bubble is 2 /r above the pressure outside the bubble, where r is the radius of the bubble and is the

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surface tension of the gas-fermentation broth and has a value of 0.073 N/m. The pressure and volume of the gas in the bubble are related by the expression pV c, where c is a constant.





2. *(a)* Define viscosity. How does kinematic viscosity differ from dynamic viscosity?

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(b) A uniform block of steel (SG = 7.85) will'float' at a mercury-water interface as shown in Fig. 2. What is the ratio of the distances a and b for this condition? 7







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- **3.** (a) Explain the terms 'gauge pressure' and 'absolute pressure'.
 - (b) A laboratory rig is used to examine the frictional losses in small pipes (shown in Fig. 3). Determine the pressure drop in a pipe carrying water if a differential head of 40 cm is recorded using an inverted manometer.



Fig. 3

4. (a) Differentiate between Euler's method and Lagrange's method of fluid analysis. 3

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benzene and is pressurized to 200 kPa (gage) in the air gap. Determine the vertical hydrostatic force on circular-arc section *AB* and its line of action.

The tank (shown in Fig. 4) contains





5. (*a*) A steady, incompressible, twodimensional velocity field is given by the following components in the *xy*-plane :

Calculate the acceleration field (find expressions for acceleration components a_x and a_y) and calculate the acceleration at the point (x, y) (1, 2).

(b) Explain the terms 'centre of pressure' and 'centre of buoyancy'.4

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- **6.** (a) Define 'pathline' and 'streak line'.
 - (b) Water at 15 °C (= 999.1 kg/m³ and 1 138 10 ³ kg/m-s) is flowing steadily in a 30 m long and 4 cm diameter horizontal pipe made of stainless steel at a rate of 8 L/s. Determine (*i*) the pressure drop, (*ii*) the head loss and (*iii*) the pumping power requirement to overcome this pressure drop.
- 7. (a) State Bernoulli's theorem.

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(b) Oil with a density of 850 kg/m³ and kinematic viscosity of 0.00062 m²/s is being discharged by a 5 mm diameter, 40 m long horizontal pipe from a storage tank open to the atmosphere (shown in Fig. 5). The height of the liquid level above the centre of the pipe is 3 m. Disregarding the minor losses, determine the flow rate of oil through the pipe.



Fig. 5

- **8.** (a) Define 'steady flow' and 'uniform flow'. 4
 - (b) Water enters a tank of diameter D_T steadily at a mass flow rate of \dot{m}_{in} . An orifice at the bottom with diameter D_o allows water to escape. The orifice has a rounded entrance, so the frictional losses are negligible. If the tank is initially empty, *(i)* determine the maximum height that the water will reach in the tank and *(ii)* obtain a relation for water height z as a function of time.





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