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Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, July/August 2022

Space Mechanics

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. Discuss in detail the three potential problems created by vacuum environment over space craft. (10 Marks)
- b. Give explanation about the effects of space environment on humans. (10 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. Discuss the effect of atmosphere on the life time of satellites. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain the factors that affect the spacecraft structure in the space environment. (10 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. Explain the various reference frames and co-ordinate systems associated with space mechanics. (10 Marks)
- b. Derive two-body problem, explain its significance. (10 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. Discuss and derive the differential equation for N-body problem. (10 Marks)
- b. With necessary diagrams describe the Kepler's law of planetary motion. (10 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Explain the general aspects of satellite injection and describe the orbital deviation due to injection errors. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain different types of satellite orbital transfers in detail. (10 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. What are general and special perturbation methods? Briefly discuss Cowells method. (10 Marks)
- b. What are the most important perturbing forces acting on artificial earth satellite? Explain briefly. (10 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. Discuss in detail about Heliocentric transfer with suitable example. (10 Marks)
- b. Write short notes on sphere of influence and also calculate radius of Earth's sphere of influence of earth-sun system. (10 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. Explain Interplanetary Homann transfer in detail. Derive suitable equations. (14 Marks)
- b. State Lamberts theorem, with diagram. (06 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. Write short notes on influence co-efficients of ICBM. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain significance of Bhoost phase in detail with necessary sketch. (10 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. Derive the equation for time of flight for non-optimal trajectories. (14 Marks)
- b. Explain the importance of impact points and its position with respect to Ballistic Missile Trajectory. (06 Marks)