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Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2016/Jan.2017

Helicopter Dynamics

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.

PART – A

- 1 a. Draw some helicopter configurations. Explain the major components and their functions. (10 Marks)
b. With a neat sketch, explain the genealogical tree of aircraft. (10 Marks)
- 2 a. Write short notes on the following:
(i) Disk loading and power loading.
(ii) Figure of merit. (10 Marks)
b. Derive an expression for axial climb and descent and deduce,
$$\frac{V_i}{V_h} = -\left(\frac{V_c}{2V_h}\right) + \sqrt{\left(\frac{V_c}{2V_h}\right)^2 + 1} \text{ and } \frac{V_i}{V_h} = -\left(\frac{V_c}{2V_h}\right) - \sqrt{\left(\frac{V_c}{2V_h}\right)^2 + 1}$$
 (10 Marks)
- 3 a. Derive an expression for momentum analysis in forward flight. (10 Marks)
b. With a neat sketch, explain cyclic pitch control of a helicopter. (06 Marks)
c. Explain forces acting on helicopter during forward flight with neat sketch. (04 Marks)
- 4 Explain the following with relevant expressions and neat sketches:
a. Factors affecting maximum attainable forward speed.
b. Performance of coaxials and Tandems.
c. Autorotation revisited.
d. Height-velocity (HV) curve. (20 Marks)

PART – B

- 5 a. Explain the following with relevant expressions and neat sketches,
(i) Concept of boundary layer.
(ii) Rotor airfoil requirements. (10 Marks)
b. Write short notes on the following:
(i) Engineering models of dynamic stall.
(ii) Effects of sweep angle on dynamic stall. (10 Marks)
- 6 Write short notes on the following:
a. Static stability.
b. Dynamic stability.
c. Control characteristics.
d. Auto stabilization. (20 Marks)
- 7 a. With the help of flow chart explain Cooper-Harper handling qualities rating scale. (12 Marks)
b. Explain the methods for assessing pilot-vehicle system quality. (08 Marks)
- 8 a. Discuss in detail the reasons why the modern helicopter is still essentially a low speed aircraft. Discuss how a main rotor system might be designed so that a helicopter can achieve higher overall forward flight speed and a possible expansion of the maneuvering envelope. Identify any potential trade-offs with any design option. (12 Marks)
b. Discuss the design of tail rotor. (08 Marks)

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Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.
2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg. 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.