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**FLUID MECHANICS N5**

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**09:00–12:00**

**Nonprogrammable calculators may be used.**

**Candidates will require drawing instruments.**

**This question paper consists of 5 pages and a formula sheet of 2 pages.**

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TIME: 3 HOURS  
MARKS: 100

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**NOTE:** If you answer more than the required number of questions, only the required number will be marked. ALL work you do NOT want to be marked must be clearly crossed out.

**INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

1. Answer any FIVE questions.
  2. Read ALL the questions carefully.
  3. Number the answers according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
  4. Use the value of  $g = 9,81 \text{ m/s}^2$ .
  5. ALL units must be shown in the answers.
  6. Write neatly and legibly.
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**QUESTION 1**

1.1 Define each of the following terms:

1.1.1 Pressure

1.1.2 Atmospheric pressure

1.1.3 Gauge pressure

1.1.4 Absolute pressure

(4 × 2) (8)

1.2 A 2 m<sup>3</sup> square block of ice has a specific gravity of 1,1.

Calculating the following:

1.2.1 Density of the ice (2)

1.2.2 Weight of the ice (3)

1.2.3 Draught of the ice if it is floating in sea water of 1 030 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (4)

1.3 Briefly explain the *surface tension* of a fluid (liquid) and state its units. (3)  
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**QUESTION 2**

2.1 A cylindrical plug, 120 mm long with a diameter of 95 mm, slides concentrically in a fixed cylinder with an internal diameter of 95,2 mm. The radial clearance is filled with oil with a viscosity of 0,2 Pa.s

Calculate the following:

2.1.1 Force required to slide the plug along the cylinder at a speed of 5 m/s against the viscous resistance of the oil (7)

2.1.2 Power lost due to the viscous (2)

2.1.3 Kinematic viscosity of the oil if its density is 850 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (2)

2.2 A pressure intensifier is used in reverse to deboost the pressure in a hydraulic system from 15 MPa to 7 MPa. The volume of fluid required in the low-pressure side is 700 ml and the length of the stroke of the piston is to be half the diameter of the low-pressure piston.

Calculate the diameters of the high-pressure and low-pressure sides as well as the stroke length of the piston. (9)  
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**QUESTION 3**

- 3.1 A circular tank with a diameter of 4,5 m is filled with the two immiscible fluids water to a depth of 3 m and oil with a relative density of 0,9 to a depth of 2 m.

Determine the following:

- 3.1.1 Hydrostatic force acting on the vertical side of the tank (10)
- 3.1.2 Position of the centre of pressure from the oil-free surface (6)
- 3.2 State Archimedes' principle with regard to floating objects on fluid (liquid) and explain the major part that the fluid (liquid) density plays on floating objects. (4)
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**QUESTION 4**

- 4.1 Explain what is meant by the following fluid flow patterns terms below and give example of each:

4.1.1 Steady flow

4.1.2 Unsteady flow

4.1.3 Uniform flow

4.1.4 Nonuniform

(4 × 1) (8)

- 4.2 A petrol transport lorry takes a maximum load of 10 tons of petrol with a relative density of 0,95. The rate of flow at which the petrol is loaded into the tanker is  $12 \text{ l/s}$ .

Determine the following:

- 4.2.1 Time it would take to fully load the lorry (5)
- 4.2.2 Pressure in the feed pipe from the lorry at the valve at ground level if it is fully closed and the petrol-free surface is 4 m above the valve at that time (3)
- 4.2.3 Velocity as the petrol drops into a ventilated underground reservoir if the petrol-free surface is 2 m below ground level. The tanker is also vented. Assume no friction or shock loss occurs. (4)

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**QUESTION 5**

- 5.1 A 25 mm diameter orifice in the bottom side of the tank discharges  $13 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$  into the atmosphere. The head of water in the tank is 60 m above the centre of the orifice.

Calculate the following:

- 5.1.1 Coefficient of velocity, contraction and discharge of the system if the vena contractor diameter is measured at an average value of 13,852 mm during the discharge (11)

- 5.1.2 Head loss due to the fluid resistance in the orifice (3)

- 5.2 A pipe suddenly increases in diameter in such a way that the velocity drops from 6,9 m/s to 3,5 m/s.

Determine the following:

- 5.2.1 Shock head loss under these conditions (2)

- 5.2.2 Pressure rise under these conditions (4)

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**QUESTION 6**

A reducing bend with an inlet diameter of 200 mm and exit diameter of 150 mm bends  $40^\circ$  upwards. The water velocity and corresponding pressure at the inlet to the bend is 4,5 m/s and 70 kPa respectively.

Determine the following:

- 6.1 Weight flow (2)

- 6.2 Water flow velocity at the exit to the bend (3)

- 6.3 Bend exit pressure if the friction head loss through the bend section is 2 m (4)

- 6.4 Magnitude and direction of the resultant force flowing through the bend (11)

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**TOTAL: 100**

**FORMULA SHEET**

$$\rho = \frac{m}{v}$$

$$SG = Rel = \frac{\rho_{\text{substance}}}{\rho_{\text{water}}}$$

$$\text{Specific } \omega = \frac{\text{weight}}{\text{volume}} = \rho g$$

$$P = \frac{F}{A}$$

$$P_{\text{absolute}} = P_{\text{gauge}} + P_{\text{atmospheric}}$$

$$P_{\text{gauge}} = \rho g h$$

$$F_{\text{Surface tension}} = \sigma 2\pi R$$

$$\Delta P = P_i - P_o = \frac{2\sigma}{R} = \frac{4\sigma}{D}$$

$$F_{\text{viscous}} = \frac{\mu A v}{t} \text{ and } v = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$$

$$K_e = \frac{P}{\epsilon_v}$$

$$\epsilon_v = \frac{\Delta V}{V}$$

$$\frac{1}{K_e} = \frac{1}{K_\ell} + \frac{1}{K_c} + \frac{V}{V_t} \left( \frac{1}{K_g} \right)$$

$$K_g = \delta P \text{ and } K_c = \frac{E}{2,5}$$

$$F_{\text{hydrostatic}} = \rho g A \bar{y}$$

$$\bar{h} = \frac{I_g \sin^2 \theta}{A \bar{y}} + \bar{y}$$

$$I_{g(\text{rectangular})} = \frac{bd^3}{12}$$

$$I_{g(\text{circular})} = \frac{\pi D^4}{64}$$

$$W = R = \rho g V$$

$$Q \text{ or } V = A_1 u_1 = A_2 u_2; \quad m = \rho V; \quad W = g m = \rho g A u; \quad P = H W = \rho g Q H$$

$$\frac{P_1}{\rho g} + \frac{u_1^2}{2g} + Z_1 + \frac{P_{\text{pump}}}{W} = H_{\text{total}} = \frac{P_2}{\rho g} + \frac{u_2^2}{2g} + Z_2 + \frac{P_{\text{motor}}}{W} + \frac{P_{\text{turbine}}}{W} + h_{\text{loss}} (J / N, m)$$

$$\frac{P_{\text{turbine}}}{W} = \text{Turbine head}; \quad \frac{P_{\text{pump}}}{W} = \text{Pump head}; \quad \eta = \frac{P_F}{P_m} \times 100; \quad R_e = \frac{\rho v D}{\mu}$$

$$\underline{h_{\text{loss}} (J / N) \text{ or } m:}$$

$$h_s = k \frac{u^2}{2g}; \quad h_s = \left( \frac{1}{C_c} - 1 \right)^2 \frac{u^2}{2g}; \quad h_a = h(1 - C_v^2); \quad h_f = 4f \left( \frac{L_e}{d} \right)_T \frac{u^2}{2g}$$

$$h_s = \frac{(u_1 - u_2)^2}{2g}$$

$$F_{\text{inlet}} = m u_1 + P_1 A_1 \quad \text{and} \quad F_{\text{exit}} = m u_2 + P_2 A_2$$

$$\text{Flat plate: Stationary } F = \rho A u^2 \quad \text{Moving } F = \rho A (u - u_m)^2 \quad \text{Angle } F = \rho A u^2 \cos \theta$$

$$\text{Curved: } X - \text{Direction} \quad F_x = \rho A u^2 (1 + \cos \theta) \quad Y - \text{Direction} \quad F_y = \rho A u^2 \sin \theta$$

$$U_m = \frac{\pi D n}{60}; \quad P = m V_{w_t} u_m; \quad \eta = \frac{2 V_w u_m}{u_1^2} \times 100$$