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ENGINEERING (BSCE)
ECE 2305: HYDRAULICS I

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION
SERIES: APRIL 2013
TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- Answer Booklet

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions.

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** in section **A** and any other **TWO** questions from section **B**

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages

SECTION A

Question One (Compulsory)

- a) Define critical depth and give the equation that is used to calculate critical depth. **(5 marks)**
- b) Define normal depth **(2 marks)**
- c) Define unsteady flow in channels **(2 marks)**
- d) A rectangular channel section of width 1m carries a flow of $0.3\text{m}^3/\text{s}$.
- (i) Assuming Chezy coefficient of 55 and slope of 0.002, estimate the depth of uniform flow.
 - (ii) Assuming the effective surface roughness height of 3.17mm and slope of 0.002, estimate the depth of uniform flow. **(10 marks)**

- e) A rectangular section channel conveys $2.5\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ flow with a bed slope of 0.002. Determine the best hydraulic section dimensions if:
- (i) The effective surface roughness height is 3mm
 - (ii) The Manning roughness coefficient is 0.014
- (11 marks)**

SECTION B (Attempt any TWO questions)

Question Two

Calculate the normal flow depth in a trapezoidal channel with side slopes in 1.5, bottom width 7.6m and channel slope 0.0088, and if the discharge is $42\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ and Manning's $n = 0.02$.

(20 marks)

Question Three

- a) Show that for a circular culvert of Diameter D the velocity of flow will be a maximum when the depth of flow h at the centre is $0.81D$.
- (15 marks)**
- b) A sewer diameter $D = 0.6\text{m}$ has a slope S_o of 1 in 200.
- (i) Calculate the maximum velocity of flow that can occur, and **(3 marks)**
 - (ii) Discharge at this velocity **(2 marks)**
 - (iii) Discharge at this velocity. **(2 marks)**

Question Four

A rectangular sharp-crested weir is to be constructed in a testing station with small stream in which the discharge varies from 50 litre/s and 1250l/s. Calculate the suitable length of weir, if the minimum head to be measured is 50mm and the maximum head on it does not exceed $1/3$ of its length.

(20 marks)

Question Five

- a) Determine the dimensions of force, pressure, power, specific width and surface tension in M-L-T system. **(10 marks)**
- b) Check the dimensional homogeneity of the following common equation in the field of Hydraulics. **(5 marks)**
- c) A rectangular notch 0.5 metres wide has a constant head of 400mm. calculate the discharge over the notch in l/s if the coefficient of discharge for the notch is 0.62 **(5 marks)**