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INSTRUCTION	:	ANSWERS **FOUR (4)** QUESTIONS **ONLY**

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PART A: ANSWER **ALL** QUESTIONS

Q1 A high-speed subsonic aeroplane with 10 m wingspan and a mean chord of 1.5 m is flying at an altitude of 5 km. The pitot tube at the wing leading edge measures the stagnation pressure as 70 kPa.

(a) Determine the outside air temperature (OAT) at the 5 km altitude

(4 marks)

(b) Determine the aircraft's true airspeed (TAS)

(6 marks)

(c) The aeroplane wing has the following characteristic:

Span efficiency factor: 0.9
Profile drag coefficient: 0.0045
Zero-lift angle of attack: -2°
Lift curve slope: 0.12
Angle of Attack: 5°

If the aircraft's indicated airspeed (IAS) at mean sea level and 5 km altitude is the same, compare the lift force, drag force and lift-to-drag ratio produced at mean sea level and 5 km altitude.

(10 marks)

Q2 An aeroplane glides with the engine off at an airspeed of 80 knots, and is found to lose height at the rate of 1500 ft/min.

(a) Determine the glide angle (Assume no wind condition).

(6 marks)

(b) Find the value of the lift to drag ratio for this aeroplane on this glide.

(4 marks)

(c) If the aeroplane weight is 5000 N, drag polar is $0.01 + 0.02C_L^2$ and wing area is 10 m^2, assuming glide angle is very small, examine whether 80 knots airspeed can produce the maximum glide range at sea level and no wind condition.

(10 marks)

Q3 An aeroplane of 1750 kg mass makes a co-ordinated level turn at a bank angle of 25° from a straight and level flight.

(a) Explain why the aeroplane will experience increasing drag during the turn

(2 marks)

(b) Explain why at the beginning of the turn, adverse yaw occurs if the aeroplane is not equipped with necessary devices or the pilot not applying adequate rudder force

(2 marks)

(c) If the airspeed in the turn is 85 knots, what is the radius of the turn?

(6 marks)

(d) Examine whether the 25° bank angle and 85 knots airspeed can make the aeroplane fly at Rate 1 turn.

(10 marks)

PART B: ANSWER **ONE** QUESTION ONLY

Q4 Two commercial twin jet engine aeroplanes, namely Aircraft A and Aircraft B, have the same empty weight W = 80 kN and use identical jet engines that can provide thrust T = 8 kN per engine. Their differences are in term of drag polar and wing area as follow:

		Aircraft A	Aircraft B
Reference wing area, S (m^2)	:	20	30
Drag polar coefficient	:	$C_D = 0.02 + 0.06\ C_L^2$	$C_D = 0.016 + 0.054\ C_L^2$

A buyer wants to buy one of them based on three criteria; (1) which give a higher maximum speed, (2) which has a lower minimum power required and (3) which provide high flight speed at maximum climb angle.

(a) As a consultant, which aircraft will you advise the buyer to buy? Support your advice by providing data based on the required criteria.

(24 marks)

(b) Assume the buyer choose Aircraft A.

(i) If during a climb, the engine is producing 20 kN thrust per engine; determine the climb gradient if one engine inoperative during the climb

(6 marks)

(ii) Calculate the maximum range the aircraft can glide from 10 km altitude if both engines inoperative

(10 marks)

Q5 A jet airplane having a weight of 441450 N and wing area of 110 m^2 has a tricycle type landing gear. Its C_{Lmax} with flaps is 2.7 and other data are given as follows:

The take-off speed $V_1 = 1.16\ Vs$
The transition speed $V_2 = 1.086\ V_1$
The lift coefficient C_{Lg} during ground run is 1.15
The drag polar with landing gear and flaps is $C_{Dg} = 0.044 + 0.05 C_{Lg}^2$
Thrust variation during take-off, $T = 128{,}500 - 0.0929\ V^2$
where, V is the km/hour and gravitational acceleration g is 9.81 m/s^2

If an airport has a 900 m dry concrete runway (μ=0.02),

(a) Evaluate whether the runway length is sufficient for this aircraft to take-off.
(24 marks)

(b) Determine the total time and distance required to reach 15 m screen height.
(16 marks)

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List of Equations

1 m/s = 1.94 knots

Density ratio, $\frac{T}{T_0} = \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{T_0}h\right)$

Pressure ratio, $\frac{p}{p_0} = \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{T_0}h\right)^{5.256}$

Density ratio, $\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{T_0}h\right)^{4.256}$

Temperature Lapse Rate in Troposphere, λ = 6.5°C/ 1000 m

Lift Curve, $C_L = C_{L\alpha}(\alpha - \alpha_0)$

Total drag, $D = D_0 + D_i$

Drag polar, $C_D = C_{D0} + KC_L^2$

Induced Drag, $C_{Di} = \frac{C_L^2}{\pi e A_r}$

Power available, $P_{ave} = \eta BHP$

Power required, $P_{req} = DV = \sqrt{\frac{2W^3}{\rho S}}\left(\frac{C_D}{C_L^{3/2}}\right)$

Climb angle, $\sin\gamma = \frac{V_C}{V}$

Glide Range = Height x (L/D)

Rate of Turn, ROT = TAS/R

Rate 1 turn = 180° turn/ minute

Distance for ground run phase: $S = \frac{W}{2gB}\ln\left(\frac{A}{A - BV_1^2}\right)$

Distance for transition phase: $S = \frac{W}{2g}\ln\left(\frac{V_2^2 - V_1^2}{T - D}\right)$

Distance for climb phase: $S = \frac{Screen\ height}{\tan\gamma}$