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COURSE NAME

: GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY

COURSE CODE

: BNA 40803

PROGRAMME CODE

: BNA

EXAMINATION DATE : JUNE 2017

DURATION

: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION

: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN

SECTION A AND FOUR (4) QUESTIONS IN SECTION B

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SECTION A

Q1 (a) Describe in your own words according to groundwater occurrence in terms of hydrology perspective.

(4 marks)

(b) Rewrite **FOUR** (4) characteristics of groundwater according to water movement, water quality and quantity effects.

(8 marks)

- (c) Compare **TWO** (2) situations with aided sketch of groundwater table interacts for hydraulically connected system with the stream bed.
 - (i) gaining stream
 - (ii) losing stream

(8 marks)



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SECTION B

Q2 (a) Define the terms as follows:

- (i) Groundwater
- (ii) Aquifer

(3 marks)

(b) Explain in your own words the principles of groundwater flow based on force potential and hydraulic head.

(4 marks)

- (c) Give an example of each main factor as follows the ability the ground condition to hold water:
 - (i) porosity
 - (ii) permeability

(6 marks)

(d) Differentiate **FOUR** (4) aquifer characteristics according to confined and unconfined aquifer.

(7 marks)

- Q3 (a) Define the terms as follows:
 - (i) Steady flow
 - (ii) Unsteady flow

(4 marks)

(b) Formulate **TWO (2)** ways of hydraulic head can be measured.

(4 marks)

(c) By referring to **Figure Q3(c)**, formulate the equivalent permeability for flow perpendicular to the horizontal layers.

(4 marks)

A field sample of an unconfined aquifer is packed in a test cylinder. The length and the diameter of the cylinder are 50 cm and 6 cm, respectively. The field sample is tested for a period of 3 min under a constant head difference of 16.3 cm. As a result, 45.2 cm³ of water is collected at the outlet. Determine the hydraulic conductivity of the aquifer sample and identify the type of soil classification as shown in **Table Q3(d)**.

(8 marks)



Q4 (a) Give a simple method to find water underground.

(2 marks)

- (b) Show with aided sketch the head of:
 - (i) Well A from mean sea level
 - (ii) Elevation of bottom well (point A)

(5 marks)

(c) Briefly explain the reason why the pH value measurement must be monitored for groundwater quality.

(5 marks)

- (d) Explain the relationship between water levels in wells and groundwater quality and quantity for situation as follows:
 - (i) unconfined (water-table) aquifers
 - (ii) confined aquifers

(8 marks)

Q5 (a) List **THREE** (3) apparatus normally used for pumping test.

(3 marks)

(b) Identify **FOUR (4)** purposes of test pumping water well.

(4 marks)

- (c) A step test was carried out four 2h steps. The **Table Q5(c)** shows data were obtained for yield (Q) and corresponding drawdown (s_w) in the pumping well. Determine:
 - (i) Value of losses
 - (ii) Percent of well efficiency drops

(13 marks)



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Q6 (a) List SIX (6) applications of artificial recharge.

(3 marks)

(b) Describe the function of recharge estimation according to $R = \delta y \Delta h$.

(4 marks)

(c) Design with aided sketch of the direct subsurface recharge for access deeper aquifers and require less land than the direct surface recharge methods.

(5 marks)

- (d) An unconfined aquifer of clean sand and gravel is located between two fully penetrating rivers with hydraulic conductivity $K = 1 \times 10^{-2}$ cm/s. The aquifer is subject to a uniform recharge of 1.6 m/year. The water surface elevations in rivers A and B are 8.5 m and 10 m, respectively, above the bottom. Given L= 460m and estimate:
 - (i) maximum elevation of the water table and the location of groundwater divide,
 - (ii) travel times from groundwater divide to both rivers ($n_e = 0.35$).

(8 marks)

- END OF QUESTIONS -

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FIGURE

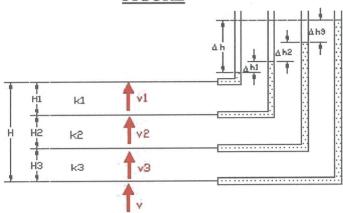


FIGURE Q3(c): Horizontal layer of flows

EQUATIONS

$$A = \frac{\pi D^2}{4}$$

$$Q_s = -K_s \frac{dh}{ds} A$$

$$d = \frac{L}{2} - \frac{K}{W} \frac{\left(h_1^2 - h_2^2\right)}{2L}$$

$$h_{\text{max}}^2 = h_1^2 - \frac{\left(h_1^2 - h_2^2\right)d}{L} + \frac{W}{K} (L - d) d$$

$$V_a = \frac{K}{n_e} \frac{\Delta h}{\Delta x}$$

$$t = \frac{L_A}{V_A}$$

$$K_{eq} = \frac{\Sigma H}{\Sigma \frac{H}{K}}$$

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TABLES

Table Q3(d): Hydraulic conductivity values

Material	K (cm/sec)
Gravel	10 ⁻¹ to 100
Clean sand	10 ⁻⁴ to 1
Silty sand	10^{-5} to 10^{-1}
Silt	10^{-7} to 10^{-3}
Glacial till	10 ⁻¹⁰ to 10 ⁻⁴
Clay	10^{-10} to 10^{-6}

Table O5(c): Pumping test

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Step	Q (1/s)	s _w (m)	$Q/s_w (m^2/day)$	
Rest	0	0	0	
1	14.7	1.43	888	
2	31.5	3.46	787	
3	44.4	5.41	709	
4	57.6	8.90	559	



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