



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

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SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL AND MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN MECHANICAL
ENGINEERING

FLUID MECHANICS II

DATE: 4/8/2016

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS:

Question 1 is compulsory

Attempt any TWO other questions from section

1. a) Explain the following terms as used in fluid mechanics
 - (i) Uniform flow
 - (ii) Steady flow
 - (iii) Mass flow rate
 - (iv) Discharge (3 marks)
- b) Stating the assumptions made, show from basic principles that Frictional head loss h_f of a fluid flowing at a mean velocity, \bar{v} , in an Inclined Pipe of length L and diameter D is given by;
$$h_f = 4f \frac{L\bar{v}^2}{D2g}$$
Where g is gravitational acceleration and f is the friction coefficient.
(15 marks)
- c) Using Rayleigh's method find an expression for the drag force F on smooth sphere of diameter D, moving with a uniform velocity V in a fluid of density ρ and dynamic viscosity μ . (12 marks)

- 2 A "three throw" pump has a cylinder of 250 mm diameter and a stroke of 500 mm each. The pump is required to deliver 0.1 m³/s, at a head of 100 m. The friction losses are estimated to be 1 m in the suction pipe and 19 m in the delivery pipe. Velocity of water in the delivery pipe is 1 m/s, overall efficiency is 85% percentage slip 3%. Determine speed of pump in rev/min and actual power required to drive the pump.

(20 marks)

- 3 Show that when a fluid flows between two parallel plates at a distance h, and length L, the velocity V, of the flow of an elemental strip at a distance y, from the axis of the plates is given by;

$$V = \frac{P}{2\mu L} \left\{ \frac{h^2}{4} - y^2 \right\}$$

Where P is the pressure difference between the ends of the plates and μ is the dynamic viscosity.

(20 marks)

4. The pressure ΔP in a pipe of diameter D and length l due to viscous flow depends on the velocity V, viscosity μ , and density ρ . Using Buckingham's π -theorem, obtain an expression for ΔP .

(20 marks)

5. From basic principles, show that the loss of head, h, when a pipe undergoes a sudden enlargement is given by,

$$H = \frac{(V_1 - V_2)^2}{2g}$$

Where V_1 and V_2 are velocities at sections.

(20 marks)