

IV B.Tech II Semester Supplementary Examinations, Apr/May 2006
BOUNDARY LAYER THEORY
(Aeronautical Engineering)

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 80

Answer any FIVE Questions
 All Questions carry equal marks

1. A sphere 1.4 cm in diameter is placed in a free stream of 18m/s at 20°C and 1 Atm. Compute the diameter Reynolds number of the sphere if the fluid is

- (a) Air,
 (b) water,
 (c) hydrogen. [16]

2. Write a short note on the following things:

- (a) Real fluids and ideal fluids
 (b) Newton's Law of viscosity
 (c) Reynolds number and its importance [16]

3. Given laminar fully developed flow in an elliptical duct of semiaxes a and b. Show that, for a given pressure gradient, the flow rate per unit area is a maximum when a = b. [16]

4. A long, uniformly porous cylinder of radius R exudes fluid at velocity U_o into an unbounded fluid of constant β and μ . The pressure at the cylinder surface is P_o . Assuming purely radial outflow with negligible gravity, find the velocity and pressure distributions in the fluid. [16]

5. Repeat the integral momentum analysis of the flat plate for the assumed velocity profile

$$\frac{u}{U} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{y}{\delta_u} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{y^3}{\delta_u^3}$$

Where δ_u is the velocity boundary-layer thickness. Is this profile any more (or less) realistic than the approximation of Equation $u \approx \{2y/\delta - y^2/\delta^2\}$? For the above profile, compute

- (a) $(\theta/x) \sqrt{Re_x}$
 (b) $(\delta^*/x) \sqrt{Re_x}$
 (c) $(\delta/x) \sqrt{Re_x}$
 (d) $C_f \sqrt{Re_x}$
 (e) $C_D \sqrt{Re_x}$ [16]

6. A horizontal pipe of outer diameter 5 cm is immersed in air at 20°C and 1 atm. If the cylinder surface is at 300°C , how much heat (in W) is lost to the air per meter of pipe length? [16]
7. By direct substitution of the fluctuation definitions and use of the averaging rules, develop the three-dimensional time-averaged x-momentum equation and show what reductions occur in a steady two-dimensional turbulent boundary layer. [16]
8. Use the log-law, to analyze Couette flow between parallel plates a distance $2h$ apart, with the upper plate moving at velocity U . Show that the turbulent-flow velocity profile is S-shaped. Sketch the profile for $Uh/\nu = 10^5$ and compute the ratio $T_w h/\mu U$ for this condition. [16]
