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THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

**FOR THE DEGREE
OF
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL AND STRUCTURAL
ENGINEERING**

COURSE CODE: CSE 354

COURSE TITLE: HYDROLOGY

DATE: TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2020 TIME: 9.00 – 11.00 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This paper contains FOUR questions
2. Answer question ONE (compulsory) and any other TWO question
3. Marks for each question are indicated in the parenthesis.
4. Examination duration is **2 Hour**

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QUESTION 1 [30 MARKS]

- (a) Distinguish between the following as used in groundwater studies
- Drawdown and radius of influence [3 Marks]
 - Specific storage and Specific retention [3 Marks]
- (b) Derive the equation for steady radial flow in a confined aquifer and state the assumptions made. [14 Marks]
- (c) A confined aquifer has a total thickness of 30m with the original piezometric head being 65m. The aquifer is fully penetrated by a well of diameter 40cm and pumped at a rate of $2.0\text{m}^3/\text{min}$. Two observation wells at a distance of 125m and 160m from the pumping well has a hydraulic head of 64m and 64.5m respectively. Determine the coefficient transmissivity of the aquifer and the drawdown at the pumping well. [10 Marks]

QUESTION 2 [20 Marks]

- (a) Differentiate between the direct runoff and overland flow [3 marks]
- (b) Define UH, its implications and assumptions made [9 marks]
- (c) Given the ordinates of a 2-h unit hydrograph below, derive the ordinates of a 6-h unit hydrograph using S-Curve method. [8 Marks]

Time (h)	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22
Ordinates of 2-h UH	0	20	50	100	110	125	120	65	35	15	10	0

QUESTION3 [20 Marks]

- (a) Differentiate between the following as used in hydrological frequency studies:
- Plotting position and Return Period [4 marks]
 - Risk and Reliability [4 marks]
- (b) Given the following 16 years of extreme flow sample data from a population of unknown mean and standard deviations, estimate the magnitude of the annual maximum flow rate with a return period of 25 years. 89, 80, 100, 98, 101, 112, 95, 105, 97, 115, 103, 99, 107, 111, 96, 70 [10 marks]
- (c) For the return period in Q3(b) above, What is the estimated lifespan of the project if the engineer is allowed 6.3%? [2 marks]

QUESTION 4

- (a) Define flood routing and discuss the importance of reservoir routing [4Marks]
- (b) Differentiate between Hydraulic and hydrological routing [3 marks]
- (c) Using Muskingum method for flood routing, determine the following hydrograph through a river reach for which $K=11.0\text{h}$ and $x = 0.12$. At the start of the inflow flood, the outflow is $8.5\text{m}^3/\text{s}$. [13 marks]

Time (h)	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
Inflow(m^3/s)	15	24	48	65	90	76	57	36	22