



## **MASENO UNIVERSITY**

### **UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2016/2017**

#### **FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AND BACHELOR OF EDUCATION WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

#### **MAIN CAMPUS**

#### **MMA 412: FLUID MECHANICS II**

Date: 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2016

Time: 3.30 - 6.30 pm

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#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.
- Start each question on a new page.
- Indicate question numbers clearly at the top of each page.
- Observe further instructions on the answer booklet.



## Question One: (30 marks)

A two dimensional source of strength  $q$  is placed at a distance  $h$  from an infinitely long wall. Body forces are absent and pressure at infinity and in the region behind the wall (i.e.)  $x > 0$  is  $P_\infty$ , the stagnation pressure

(a) Sketch the problem [3 marks]

(b) Show that the magnitude of the force,  $F$ , per unit length of the wall, in the  $z$ -direction, is given by

$$F = \frac{-\rho q^2}{4\pi h},$$

where  $\rho$  is the density of the fluid [13 marks]

The velocity field of an incompressible flow is given by

$$\mathbf{v} = -2ay\mathbf{i} - 2ax\mathbf{j},$$

where  $a$  is a constant

(c) Show that the flow is irrotational [4 marks]

(d) Determine an expression for the velocity potential [5 marks]

(e) Determine an expression for the stream function. Given that  $a > 0$ , sketch the streamlines if the flow is confined in the region  $x \geq 0$  [5 marks]

## Question Two: (20marks)

Consider a velocity potential in cylindrical coordinates given by

$$\phi = \frac{\mu \cos \theta}{r}$$

(a) Write down an expression for the velocity  $\mathbf{v}$  [3 marks]

(b) State the relationship between the components of velocity, the velocity potential and the stream function. Hence obtain an expression for the stream function. By changing to Cartesian coordinates, show that

$$x^2 + \left(y - \frac{1}{2k}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2k}\right)^2,$$

where  $k$  is a constant. Hence sketch the streamlines [17marks]

### Question Three: (20 marks)

(a) Show that if

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3, \dots, \phi_n$$

satisfy Laplace's equation, then the sum also satisfies Laplace's equation  
[3 marks]

(b) If the velocity components of a two-dimensional flow are

$$u(x, y) = \frac{k(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}, \quad v(x, y) = \frac{2kxy}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

where  $k$  is a constant, show that this flow is incompressible [11 marks]

(c) Define the following terms

- (i) upstream velocity
- (ii) stagnation plane

[6 marks]

### Question Four: (20 marks)

(a) A complex potential  $w$  can be expressed as follows

$$w = \phi + i\psi$$

where  $\phi$  is the velocity potential and  $\psi$  is the stream function. Derive the relationship between  $\phi$  and  $\psi$   
[9 marks]

(b) A fixed cylinder is placed in a liquid which is moving steadily and irrotationally. If  $M$  is the moment about the origin, then neglecting external forces, show that

$$M = \text{real part of } -\frac{1}{2}\rho \oint_c z \left(\frac{dw}{dz}\right)^2 dz$$

where  $w$  is the complex potential,  $\rho$  density and the integral is taken around the contour of the cylinder  
[11 marks]

## Question Five: (20marks)

(a) Distinguish between

- (i) inviscid and viscous flow
- (ii) compressible and incompressible flow

[4marks]

(b) The complex potential of a flow is given by

$$w = az^2$$

where  $a$  is a constant. Determine the velocity potential and the stream function. Hence sketch the streamlines and the equipotential lines

[16marks]