

Fluid Mechanics

Code:CE401

Contact: 3L

Credits: 3

Module 1

Fluid statics: Forces on plane and curved surfaces, Center of pressure. Stability of floating bodies, Metacentre [4]

Module 2

Weirs and Notches: Rectangular, triangular, Cippoletti, sharp crested and broad crested weirs, submerged weirs [3]

Module 3

Turbulent flow in circular pipes: Fluid friction in pipes, head loss due to friction. Darcy-Weisbach equation, Variation of friction factor with wall roughness – Moody's chart. Minor losses in pipes [5]

Module 4

Water Hammer: Speed of pressure wave, slow and rapid closure, use of surge tank. [3]

Module 5

Steady uniform flow in open channel: Characteristics, Chezy's, Manning's and Bazin's formulae. Hydraulically efficient cross sections. Flow through channels of circular cross sections – depths for maximum velocity and discharge. [5]

Module 6

Varied flow through open channel: Gradually varied and rapidly varied flows. Definition, Specific Energy, Critical, Sub-critical and Super-critical flows. Channel transitions - constricted or raised bed. Establishment of critical flow, Venturi flume and Parshall flume. Definition and diagram for Specific force, Hydraulic Jump [10]

Module 7

Dimensional Analysis and Model studies: Dimensions and dimensional homogeneity, Importance and use of dimensional analysis. Buckingham's Pi theorem with applications. Geometric, Kinematic and Dynamic similarity. Non Dimensional Numbers. [4]

Module 8

Introduction to Hydraulic Turbines: Working Principles of Pelton, Francis and Kaplan turbines [3]

Module 9

Pumps: Centrifugal pumps, performance characteristic graph – design flow rate. Working principles of positive displacement pumps, gear, reciprocating and vane pumps. Hydraulic Ram [5]