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**Instructions:** 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each unit.  
2. Missing data, if any, may be suitably assumed.

<b>Important Note:</b> Completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages. Revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator will be treated as malpractice.			<b>UNIT - I</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>PO</b>	<b>Marks</b>
	1	a)	Describe three phases of Aircraft design. Describe the requirements and constraints for aircraft design.	CO1	PO1	<b>10</b>
		b)	Describe the steps for the gross weight estimation using the block diagram.	CO1	PO1	<b>10</b>
			<b>OR</b>			
	2	a)	Describe the expression of range for propeller-driven aircraft. Prove that, the maximum range will be achieved at $(Cl/Cd)_{max}$ .	CO1	PO2	<b>10</b>
		b)	Describe the expression of range for jet-driven aircraft.	CO1	PO2	<b>10</b>
			<b>UNIT - II</b>			
	3	a)	Describe the desirable characteristics of an airfoil in aircraft design, highlighting the advantages and consequences of incorporating high camber.	CO2	PO1	<b>10</b>
		b)	Describe the laminar bucket and the disadvantages of laminar airfoils, along with the geometry and advantages of supercritical airfoils.	CO2	PO1	<b>10</b>
			<b>OR</b>			
	4	a)	Describe how airfoil thickness to chord ratio affects the aircraft design. Briefly explain "Fat" airfoil, "thinner" airfoil, and "very thin" airfoil.	CO2	PO1	<b>10</b>
		b)	Write down the advantages and undesirable consequences associated with (i) a higher wing aspect ratio and (ii) a higher wing sweep.	CO2	PO1	<b>10</b>
			<b>UNIT - III</b>			
	5	a)	"Wing loading and thrust-to-weight ratio are closely interconnected for most performance calculations"- Justify the statement with appropriate example	CO3	PO2	<b>10</b>
		b)	What do you understand by power loading and thrust loading? Derive the expression to relate power loading with thrust loading.	CO3	PO2	<b>10</b>
			<b>OR</b>			

	6	a)	What do you mean by wing loading? Derive the expression for the wing loading for maximum endurance of jet-driven aircraft.	CO3	PO2	<b>10</b>
		b)	Write down the advantages and disadvantages associated with a higher thrust-to-weight ratio. Derive the expression for the wing loading for maximum endurance of propeller-driven aircraft.	CO3	PO2	<b>10</b>
			<b>UNIT - IV</b>			
	7	a)	Write short notes on (i) fixed size engine and (ii) rubber engine.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
		b)	Consider designing an aircraft that executes a normal mission profile consisting of takeoff, climb, cruise, and land. Describe the aircraft size estimation procedure with the help of an equation and block diagram when there is a provision of payload drop at some point during the cruise operation.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
			<b>OR</b>			
	8	a)	Demonstrate the procedure for estimating the takeoff gross aircraft weight for the fixed engine when no negotiation is allowed in aircraft performance.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
		b)	Based on the initial estimate of takeoff gross weight, demonstrate the aircraft wing, tail, fuselage, and control-surface sizing procedures. Mention all the important parameters you must concentrate on while calculating geometric sizing.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
			<b>UNIT - V</b>			
	9	a)	Describe two major aerodynamic forces that you must concentrate on for aircraft design.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
		b)	Explain the need for thrust-drag bookkeeping in aircraft design and briefly describe the installed thrust methodology.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
			<b>OR</b>			
	10	a)	Write short notes on (i) maneuver loads, and (ii) gust loads. Use the appropriate diagrams to describe both the loads.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
		b)	Describe air loads on the lifting surface and air loads due to control deflections.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>

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