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**B TECH  
(SEM IV) THEORY EXAMINATION 2017-18  
WATERSHED HYDROLOGY**

**Time: 3 Hours****Total Marks: 100****Note:** Attempt all Sections. If require any missing data; then choose suitably.**SECTION A****1. Attempt all questions in brief. 2 x 10 = 20**

- a. What are the necessary conditions for the formation of precipitation?
- b. What is an isohyet?
- c. What are the precautions to be taken in selecting a site for the location of a raingauge?
- d. Define  $\phi_{\text{index}}$  and  $W_{\text{index}}$ .
- e. What is basin yield?
- f. What are the uses of a flow duration curve?
- g. Why baseflow separated from total runoff?
- h. What does the word unit refer to in the unit hydrograph?
- i. Differentiate between prism storage and wedge storage.
- j. What is the differential equation of storage?

**SECTION B****2. Attempt any three of the following: 10 x 3 = 30**

- a. What is the basis for measurement of precipitation? What are the difficulties that come in the way of accurate measurement of precipitation?
- b. List out the various climatic factors affecting runoff. Specifically discuss the effect of the direction of storm movement and the antecedent precipitation on the peak discharge.
- c. Define unit hydrograph. What are the assumptions underlying the unit hydrograph theory? How do they limit the applicability of unit hydrograph?
- d. Explain the terms risk, reliability and safety factor. A factory is proposed to be located on the edge of the 50 year flood plain of a river. If design life of factory is 25 years, what is the reliability that it will not be flooded during its design life?
- e. On the basis of isopluvial maps the 50 year 24 h maximum rainfall at a city is found to be 16 cm. Determine the probability of 24 h rainfall of magnitude equal to or greater than 16 cm occurring at the city:
  - i. once in 10 successive years
  - ii. two times in 10 successive years
  - iii. at least once in 10 successive years

**SECTION C****3. Attempt any one part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10**

- (a) Describe the principle of working of a tipping bucket type recording rain gauge with a neat sketch. What are its advantages and disadvantages?

- (b) The average annual rainfalls in cm at 4 existing rain gauge stations in basins are 105, 79, 70 and 66. If the average depth of rainfall over the basin is to be estimated within 10% error, determine the additional number of gauges needed.

**4. Attempt any *one* part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10**

- (a) One drainage area 500 ha, an intense rain falls at uniform a rate of 6 cm/h for a period of 69 min. the average infiltration capacity during the entire rain period has been work out as 1.5 cm/h. if the peak discharge based on 10 min interval from the distribution graph for the basin is 18% determine the maximum run off rate.
- (b) Describe how the total precipitation is transformed into the total runoff.

**5. Attempt any *one* part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10**

- (a) Explain with the help of neat sketches, the flow duration curve method and mass curve method to measure the runoff.
- (b) Write in brief the SCS-CN method for estimating the runoff volume. The peak of flood hydrograph due to a 3-h duration isolated storm in a catchment is  $270 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ . The total depth of rainfall is 5.9 cm. Assuming an average infiltration loss of 0.3 cm/h and a constant base flow of  $20 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ , estimate the peak of the 3-h hydrograph (UH) of this catchment. If the area of the catchment is  $567 \text{ km}^2$ ; determine the base width of the 3-h unit hydrograph by assuming it to be triangular in shape.

**6. Attempt any *one* part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10**

- (a) What do you mean by design flood? What are the factors affecting the flood hydrograph? Explain the procedure of using a unit hydrograph to develop the flood hydrograph due to a storm in a catchment.
- (b) What is flood frequency analysis? How flood frequency analysis at a project site is conducted? What are the data requirements?

**7. Attempt any *one* part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10**

- (a) The following are the rates of rainfall for successive 20 minutes period of a 140 minutes storm: 2.5, 2.5, 10.0, 7.5, 1.25, 1.25, 5.0 cm/hr. Taking the value of  $\phi_{\text{index}}$  as 3.2 cm/ hr, find out the net runoff in cm, the total rainfall and value of  $W_{\text{index}}$ .
- (b) Distinguish between:
- i. Rainfall excess and effective rainfall
  - ii. Depression storage and detention storage
  - iii. Direct runoff and baseflow