

**Master of Civil Engineering 1<sup>st</sup> Year 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Examination 2017****Air Pollution and Control**

Time: Three Hours

Full Marks: 100

(60 marks for Part 1 &amp; 40 marks for Part 2)

**Part 1**Answer **Question No. 1** and any **Two** from the rest.

Answers should be brief. Any relevant data may be assumed, if needed. Turner's  $\sigma_y$  and  $\sigma_z$  and Pasquill's stability chart may be allowed. Please answer **Question No. 1** in first few pages of your answer script.

1.
  - a) Why is Gaussian Air Pollution Model (GAPM) essential in environmental impact assessment study?
  - b) What type of model is GAPM?
  - c) What is the significance of 'flat terrain' assumption?
  - d) Name four meteorological input parameters for GAPM.
  - e) Differentiate time-averaged plume boundary and instantaneous plume boundary.
  - f) Name the four factors which are multiplied to get the final expression of GAPM.
  - g) Describe the significance of the point (0, 0, -H), in development of general expression of GAPM.
  - h) Describe the role of a windrose to decide about the downwind and crosswind direction of GAPM.
  - i) Describe 'night' with respect to Pasquill stability class table.
  - j) Draw a sketch to show the effect of two vertical constrains on plume dispersion. 2x10=20

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2. a) The general Gaussian expression is as follows:

$$C_{(x,y,z;H)} = Q/(2\pi \sigma_y \sigma_z U) [\text{Exp}\{-y^2/2\sigma_y^2\}] [\text{Exp}\{-(H-Z)^2/2\sigma_z^2\} + \text{Exp}\{-(H+Z)^2/2\sigma_z^2\}]$$

The notations have their usual meanings. Now find expressions for following modifications (steps should be shown in details): (i) receptor at ground level (GL) &  $x < x_g$  (ii) source is at GL &  $x > x_g$  (iii) source and receptor are at GL &  $x > x_g$

- b) Define plume. Hence, develop *the relation between  $\sigma_z$  and  $H$  at  $x_g$* . How stability class may affect calculation of  $x_g$  and show that with a mathematical example.
- c) A stack with effective height 60m, emitting at the rate of 30 g/s. Winds are estimated at 4 m/s at the stack height, the solar insolation is slight, and there is an inversion at 130 m. Estimate the ground-level concentration at the point where reflections begin to occur from the inversion and at a point twice the distance downwind. How to calculate concentrations between these two points? What may be probable the type of inversion? What may be the probable plume pattern? 5+8+7=20
3. a) Write the relevant assumptions related with GAPM for the following cases  
 (a) mechanical turbulence (b) wind shear (c) type of emission (d) change of mass of pollutant  
 (e) concentration distributions
- b) At a point directly downwind from a ground-level source, the 15 min concentration is  $3.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g/m}^3$ . What would be the 2 hour concentration at this point? The 'p' value may be taken as 0.2.
- c) Find the ratio of *concentrations at GL* to the *concentration at the effective stack height level* for  $x_{\max}$  (the downwind distance of  $C_{\max}$ ). 10+4+6=20

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- a) To predict downwind ground level  $\text{SO}_2$  concentration from a coal fired thermal power plant in a overcast condition, following database is collected:
- Source characteristics: (i) physical stack height = 100m, (ii) internal radius 5 m (iii) exit speed = 20m/s  
(iv) exit temperature = 80°C (v) rate of coal burn = 3000 t/day (vi) S content of coal = 1.4 percent
- Meteorological condition: (i) wind speed at anemometer height = 8m/s (ii) ambient temp = 10°C
- Receptor location = 6 km downwind on flat terrain
- Calculate the said concentration. Briggs' model may be used to calculate plume rise.
- b) Write the co-ordinates of following points in Gaussian Co-ordinate system:
- (i) any point on plume centerline (ii) the virtual source  
(iii) at the stack tip (iv) any point on ground level center line
- c) Write the name of following criteria pollutants:
- (i) coloured gaseous criteria pollutant (ii) secondary gaseous criteria pollutant  
(iii) dissociable criteria pollutant absorbing UV ray and (iv) most abundant criteria pollutant
- d) How is wind direction reported?
- e) Correlate the product of  $\sigma_x$  &  $\sigma_y$  with maximum ground level concentration.
- f) Why is  $\sigma_y$  missing in the expression of line source model?

9+2+2+2+3+2=20

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*Some of the following equations may be required* (notations have their usual meanings):

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| 1) $\Delta h = 2.6 (F/uS)^{1/3}$  | 2) $F = g r^2 v_s (1 - T_a/T_s)$  | 3) $S = (g/T_a)(\Delta T_a/\Delta z + 0.01^\circ\text{C/m})$  |
| 4) $\Delta h = [1.6 F^{1/3} (x_f)^{2/3}]/u$   | 5) $x_f = 120 F^{0.4}$ , if $F \geq 55 \text{ m}^4/\text{s}^3$            | 6) $x_f = 50 (F)^{5/8}$ if $F \leq 55 \text{ m}^4/\text{s}^3$ |
| 7) $C = Q / [(2\pi)^{1/2} u \sigma_y L]$  | 8) $\Delta h = [v_s d / u] [1.5 + 2.68 \times 10^{-3} p (1 - T_a/T_s) d]$ |   |
| 9) $C_{(x,y,0:H)} = [2q / (2\pi)^{1/2} \sigma_z u \sin\theta] [ \text{Exp}(-H^2 / 2 \sigma_z^2)]$ |   |   |

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Use a separate Answer-Script for each part

**Part-II**

Question no. 1 is compulsory

Answer any **two** from the rest*(Assume any data, if required, reasonably)**(Lapple's Efficiency Curve may be used)*

Qs: 1.

- a) Mention at least five action plans in brief to minimize the air pollution of Kolkata. 3
- b) Mention the name of the methods for measuring ambient SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> concentration. 2
- c) Why PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> are considered as criteria pollutants for NAAQS (2009) without considering total SPM? What is your opinion regarding inclusion of PM<sub>1</sub> in future NAAQS of India? 4
- d) Explain the significance of isokinetic sampling for SPM and SO<sub>2</sub> monitoring. 3
- e) Describe one post-combustion non-regenerable wet system of flue gas desulfurisation. 4
- f) Why generation of 'fuel NO<sub>x</sub>' is easier than 'thermal NO<sub>x</sub>' in furnace? Describe one regenerable, post generation, simultaneous SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> control strategy. 5
- g) Mention one catalytic conversion process of CO to CO<sub>2</sub> at ambient temperature. 3

2. An air stream with a flow rate of 6m<sup>3</sup>/s is passed through a cyclone of standard properties. The diameter of the cyclone is 2 m. and the viscosity of air is 2.1×10<sup>-5</sup> kg/m.s. Determine the amount of removal/m<sup>3</sup> of flue gas, for particles with a density of 1.6 g/cm<sup>3</sup> and diameter of 5μm and 10μm (30:70 w/w) when their total concentration is 300 μg/m<sup>3</sup> of flue gas. 8

3. Design a parallel plate single-stage electrostatic precipitator (ESP) from the following data:

Required efficiency = 99.5%; Gas flow rate = 150000 m<sup>3</sup>/hr

Particle drift velocity = 0.16 m/s; Collectrode spacing = 0.25 m

Depth of collectrode = 3.5m; Height of collectrode = 8m; Gas flow velocity = 1.8 m/s

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4.

A Baghouse filter is used to treat 50 m<sup>3</sup>/s of an emission with a particulate concentration of 0.03 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. It is known that  $k_o$  and  $k_d$  (with usual notations) are 50000 N.s/m<sup>3</sup> and 50000 s<sup>-1</sup> respectively. The maximum allowable pressure drop is 4000 N/m<sup>2</sup> and the filter must operate for 8 hrs. between cleanings. If there is no restriction on filtering velocity, determine the number of bags used in the baghouse when the size of each bag is 0.3m in diameter and 6 m long.

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