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EAP581 – Water Supply Engineering

Duration : 2 hours

Please check that this examination paper consists of **SEVEN (7)** pages of printed material including appendix before you begin the examination.

Instructions : This paper contains **FIVE (5)** questions. Answer **FOUR (4)** questions.

All questions must be answer in English.

Each questions **MUST BE** answered on a new page.

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1. (a) Discuss the type of demand and factors affecting the consumption in term of water supply.

[10 marks]

- (b) Describe physical characteristics in water quality parameters.

[5 marks]

- (c) Calculate the total OH^- , CO_3^{2-} and HCO_3^- alkalinity for the following, if the titrant used is 0.02N H_2SO_4 and the sample volume is 50 mL. Report your results in mg/L as CaCO_3 .

Sample	Total ml titrant to reach end point	
	Phenolphthalein	Methyl Orange
V	0.0	10.5
W	15.4	28.2
X	8.2	16.3
Y	6.3	6.4
Z	12.2	29.8

[10 marks]

2. (a) Describe the following terms with respect to potable water treatment:

- (i) Suspension

[3 marks]

- (ii) Coagulation

[3 marks]

- (b) A water treatment plant has a capacity of 2 million liter per day (MLD). Calculate the size of the tank and power input in the coagulation tank based on the following data:

Retention time = 1.5 minutes

Velocity gradient, $G = 700 \text{ s}^{-1}$.

Dynamic viscosity of water = $0.87 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N s/m}^2$.

[7 marks]

- (c) Head loss through an upflow and downflow baffles of a flocculation tank is 0.405 when the output is 20 MLD (million litres per day) at a temperature of 20°C . At this flowrate, the retention time in the flocculation chamber is 30 minutes.

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- (i) Calculate the velocity gradient and camp number for the above condition.
- (ii) Calculate the velocity gradient and camp number when the flowrate is changed to 15 MLD at a temperature of 25°C.

Given that:

At 20°C; absolute viscosity $\mu = 1.005 \times 10^{-3}$ kg/ms and density $\rho = 998$ kg/m³

At 25°C; absolute viscosity $\mu = 0.894 \times 10^{-3}$ kg/ms and density $\rho = 997$ kg/m³

[12 marks]

3. (a) Explain **THREE (3)** types of water softening process that are normally used and for each process explain on its appropriateness.

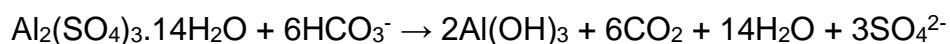
[6 marks]

- (b) A treatment plant with a capacity of 20 MLD (million litres per day) is required to have an ion exchange process due to water hardness containing CaCO₃ [300 mg/L]. Resin media with the adsorption capacity of 100 kg/m³ at flow rate 0.5 m³/min/m² is proposed. Calculate the volume of media required for the water treatment and surface area for the media.

[9 marks]

- (c) Two sets of jar tests are carried out in the laboratory on raw water with a turbidity of 30 NTU and an alkalinity concentration of CaCO₃ [50 mg/L]. Based on Table 1, calculate the optimum pH, coagulant dose and theoretical alkalinity used at the optimum dosage. Given that the molecular weights of aluminium = 27, sulphur = 32, oxygen = 16, hydrogen = 1 and carbon = 12.

Chemical reaction for aluminium sulphate when added with raw water is given as follows:



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Table 1: Jar Test Result

Jar Test 1						
Jar	1	2	3	4	5	6
pH	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.5
Alum dose (mg/L)	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0
Turbidity (NTU)	14.0	9.0	5.0	7.0	11.0	13.0
Jar Test 2						
Jar	1	2	3	4	5	6
pH	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Alum dose (mg/L)	6.0	8.0	12.0	14.0	16.0	18.0
Turbidity (NTU)	14.0	10.0	5.0	4.5	6.5	13.0

[10 marks]

4. (a) Water distribution systems are classified according to their layout. With the help of sketches, explain **THREE (3)** types of water distribution networks.

[6 marks]

- (b) With the aid of sketch diagram, discuss the disadvantages of dead-end water system with respect to water supply engineering.

[5 marks]

- (c) **Figure 1** shows a reticulation system. Estimate the flow rate in each pipeline using Hardy-Cross Method and Hazen-William formula up to two iterations. Adopt Hazen-William coefficient, C , as 100. Use initial flowrate of 65 litres per second (L/s) from point A to B. The lengths and diameters for pipes AB, BC, CD, and DA are as follows:

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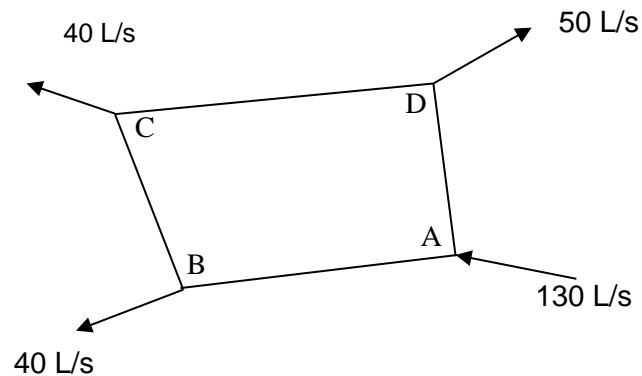


Figure 1: Reticulation system

Pipe AB: length = 950 m and diameter = 250 mm

Pipe BC: length = 750 m and diameter = 200 mm

Pipe CD: length = 750 m and diameter = 200 mm

Pipe AD: length = 900 m and diameter = 250 mm

[14 marks]

5. (a) A small lake has the following characteristics:

Volume = 84 500 m³

Mean depth = 3.5 m

Inflow = outflow = 5000 m³/day

Temperature = 27 °C

The lake receives the input of a pollutant from two sources: a slaughterhouse discharge of 40 kg/d and the inflow stream that has a concentration of 11 mg/L. If the pollutant decays at the rate of 0.30/day at 20 °C ($\theta = 1.05$),

- (i) Compute the assimilation factor
- (ii) Determine the steady state concentration.

[10 marks]

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- (b) A pond is used to treat a diluted municipal wastewater before the liquid is discharged into a river. The inflow to the pond has a flow rate of 4000 m³/day and a BOD concentration of 25 mg/L. The volume of the pond is 20,000 m³. The purpose of the pond is to allow time for the decay of BOD to occur before discharging into the environment. BOD decays in the pond with a first-order rate constant equal to 0.25 day⁻¹. With the help of sketches, determine the BOD concentration at the outflow of the pond, in units of mg/L.

[7 marks]

- (c) Based on the Water Services Act 2006, answer the following questions:

- (i) Explain **TWO (2)** wrongful acts that can lead to the offence of contaminating public water supply.

[4 marks]

- (ii) Describe the differences of the principle roles and authority held by the Federal Government and water authorities owned by State Governments.

[4 marks]

APPENDIX

$$H_L = \frac{10.67}{D^{4.87}} L \left[\frac{Q}{C} \right]^{1.85}$$

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$$k(T) = k(20)\theta^{T-20}$$

$$V \frac{dc}{dt} = W(t) - Qc - kVc - vA_s c$$

$$c = \frac{W}{Q + kV + vA_s}$$

$$c = \frac{1}{a} W$$

$$a = Q + kV + vA_s$$

$$\text{Accumulation} = V \frac{dc}{dt}$$

$$\text{Loading} = Qc_{in}(t)$$

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