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## M.E. (Mechanical) (Design Engineering) VEHICLE DYNAMICS

(2008 Pattern) (Elective - IV(a)) (Semester - II)

Time: 3 Hours [Max. Marks: 100

Instructions to the candidates:

- 1) Answer any three questions from each section.
- 2) Figures to the right indicate full marks.
- 3) Use of non-programmable electronic calculator is allowed.
- 4) Assume suitable data, if necessary.

## **SECTION - I**

- Q1) a) Explain Kinematic behavior of vehicles with rigid wheels and with compliant tires.[8]
  - b) The sprung parts of a passenger car weigh 18 KN and the unsprung parts weigh 960 N. The combined stiffness of the suspension springs is 48.9 KN/m and that of the tires is 646 KN/m. Determine the two natural frequencies of bounce motion of the sprung and unsprung mass.
- Q2) a) A rear engine rear wheel drive passenger car has a mass of 1200 kg. The weight distribution on the front axle is 42 % and that on rear axle is 64 % under static condition. If cornering stiffness each of the front tires is 36 KN/rad and that of rear tires is 39 KN/rad determine the steady state handling behavior of the vehicle. If the vehicle has wheel base of 2.38 m find critical/characteristics speed of vehicle. [8]
  - b) Explain in brief the combined pitch and bounce motion an application to multi wheel station vehicles. [8]

- Q3) a) What are test carried out for determining handling characteristics of vehicle? Explain each test in detail. [8]
  - b) Explain most commonly used frequency weightings for whole-body vibration with example. [8]
- Q4) Explain the significance of steer angle and Derive an expression for the steer angle  $\delta$ f required to negotiate a given turn with usual notations [16]
- **Q5**) Write Short Notes on :

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- a) Two degrees of freedom vehicle model for pitch and bounce.
- b) Characteristic and Critical speeds.
- c) effect of wheelbase in road and suspension modelling.

## **SECTION - II**

- Q6) The sprung parts of a passenger car weigh 9.5 kN and the unsprung parts weigh 850 N. The combined stiffness of the suspension springs is 41.5 kN/m and that of the tires is 551.3 kN/m. Determine the two natural frequencies of bounce motion of the sprung and unsprung mass. Derive the formula used.
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- Q7) A passenger car weighs 18 kN and has a wheelbase of 2.9 m. The center of gravity is 1.2 m behind the front axle and 48 cm above ground level. In practice, the vehicle encounters a variety of surfaces, with the coefficient of road adhesion ranging from 0.3 to 0.8 and the coefficient of rolling resistance of 0.016. With a view to avoiding the loss of directional stability on surfaces with a low coefficient of adhesion under emergency braking conditions, what would you recommend regarding the braking effort distribution between the front and rear axles?
- Q8) Explain with the help of labeled sketch mechanism and handling of military vehicle.

- **Q9**) a) Explain two degree of freedom theory to include effects of traction and braking. [8]
  - b) Explain in Brief the analysis of sprocket torques and speeds, required to skid steer a tracked vehicle. [8]

## Q10) Write short notes:

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- a) Steering force and moments.
- b) Types of dependent and independent suspensions.
- c) ISO Standard for Human Response to Vibrations.

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