



**B.E. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS: APRIL / MAY 2023**

(Regulation 2018)

Fourth Semester

**AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING**

U18AET4004: UAV System Design

**COURSE OUTCOMES**

- CO1:** Discuss the configuration, performance parameters, and design aspects of unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV).
- CO2:** Compare the sensors, payloads and actuators suitable for various UAVs.
- CO3:** Explain the working of UAV propulsion systems.
- CO4:** Discuss the communication and navigation systems in UAV.
- CO5:** Explain the practical limitations in the design and development of an UAV.

**Time: Three Hours**

**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Answer all the Questions:-**

**PART A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)**

**(Answer not more than 40 words)**

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| 1. Differentiate top-down approach from bottom-up approach.  | CO1 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 2. State any four parameters involved in the enhancement of unmanned aircraft system performance.      | CO1 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 3. What is the need of potentiometer in servo-motor?   | CO2 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 4. List out the use of hall affect sensor in drone industries.   | CO2 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 5. How scientific payloads are differing from conventional payloads? List out few scientific payloads. | CO2 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 6. Why rotating parts are important for microjet engines?  | CO3 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 7. Enumerate the operational procedures involved in Brushless Direct Current Motor.                    | CO3 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 8. How many different ways of communication media are available in UAV communication system?           | CO4 | [K <sub>1</sub> ] |
| 9. What is the major output of MEMS accelerometer? Briefly explain it.                                 | CO5 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 10. What did you understand the term “self-contained navigation system”?                               | CO4 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |

**Answer any FIVE Questions:-  
PART B (5 x 16 = 80 Marks)  
(Answer not more than 400 words)**

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| 11. | a) | Explain in detail about the three design stages involved in the development of unmanned aerial vehicles with practical examples.              | 8  | CO1 | [K <sub>4</sub> ] |
|     | b) | How effectively environmental conditions are supports the selection process of unmanned aircraft systems?                                     | 8  | CO5 | [K <sub>4</sub> ] |
| 12. | a) | Write the name of anyone real-time motion sensor imposed in UAVs and explain it components, working principle, and operational procedures.    | 8  | CO2 | [K <sub>4</sub> ] |
|     | b) | What did you understand about Altitude Sensor? Explain in detailed about its main physical principles, sensing elements, and classifications. | 8  | CO2 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
| 13. | a) | Explain in detail about the procedures involved in the design process of payloads assembly in UAV with neat flowchart.                        | 12 | CO2 | [K <sub>4</sub> ] |
|     | b) | Write down any five name of the payloads, which are comes the under the families of Electro-optic and Radar Imaging payloads.                 | 4  | CO2 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
| 14. | a) | List out and explain in details about all the rotating components used in UAV's gas turbine engine.   | 8  | CO3 | [K <sub>4</sub> ] |
|     | b) | Explain in detail about the components and operational procedures of UAV's rotary engine.   | 8  | CO3 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
| 15. | a) | List out and explain in detail about all the modes available in UAV control.  | 8  | CO4 | [K <sub>4</sub> ] |
|     | b) | Compare and contrast the different loops involved in Autopilot system.  | 8  | CO4 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
| 16. | a) | Explain in detail about your observations on the importance of Mission Planning and Control Station in UAVs.                                  | 8  | CO5 | [K <sub>4</sub> ] |
|     | b) | How the working principle of differential GPS is various from GPS's working principle? Explain your answers in a detailed manner.             | 8  | CO5 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |

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