

UNIVERSITY OF RUHUNA
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HONOURS IN FISHERIES AND MARINE SCIENCE
DEGREE

Level - II, Semester - I Examination

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LIM 2111: Physics of Water

Time 1½ hours

Answer all questions in Part - I, II and only one question in Part-III

Part-I

1. Choose the correct statement
 - i. In water molecules, hydrogen bond between molecule is about 5-10% as strong as covalent bond within a molecule
 - ii. Water drops are round in shape because of their adhesive property
 - iii. High heat capacity of water enable spiders to walk on water surface
 - iv. Cohesion causes water drops to cling to other surfaces
 - v. Shear waves are better supported in an aquatic medium

2. Consider the following statements, and select the correct statement/s
 - a. The first law of thermodynamics is a version of the law of conservation of energy
 - b. Heat energy transfer through radio magnetic waves is called convection
 - c. Angle of the water molecule in liquid water is higher than that of ice
 - d. Bacterium has a lower Reynold's number compared to a copepod

i. a and b	iv. a and d
ii. b and c	v. all
iii. c and d	

3. Width, depth and the water flow velocity of a rectangular channel are 34 m, 2.1 m and 4.5 m/s respectively. This channel passes through a narrow channel of 2.7-m wide where flow velocity increases to 6.0 m/s. How deep is this narrow part of the channel?
 - I. 18.9 m
 - II. 24.3 m
 - III. 19.8 m
 - IV. 15.7 m
 - V. 21.6 m

4. Water flow velocity in an open channel is a function of

- i. Wetted perimeter
- ii. Nature of the riparian vegetation
- iii. Slope of the adjacent land
- iv. Area of the bottom substrate
- v. Heat Capacity of water

5. Select the correct statement

- i. Isolated systems only exchanged thermal energy
- ii. The change in the internal energy of a closed system is equal to the heat acquired by the system
- iii. Inertia is the resistance of a body to change its state of motion
- iv. Turbulent flow makes unidirectional forces on aquatic plants
- v. Different phases are clearly visible at the critical point of water

(2 x 5 =10 Marks)

Part-II

1. How can aquatic life survive in frozen lakes during winter?

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(4 Marks)

2. List four ecological importance of high heat capacity of water.

- i.
- ii.
- iii.
- iv.

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3. Briefly explain, why smaller particles take longer time to settle out in water than larger particles

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4. Explain the difference between an open system and a close system

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5. Define the term “phase of a substance”

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6. Show the all possible phase transitions of water

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7. Explain the reason for the low solubility of salts in super critical water.

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8. List four important applications of electrical conductivity in limnological studies

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- iii.
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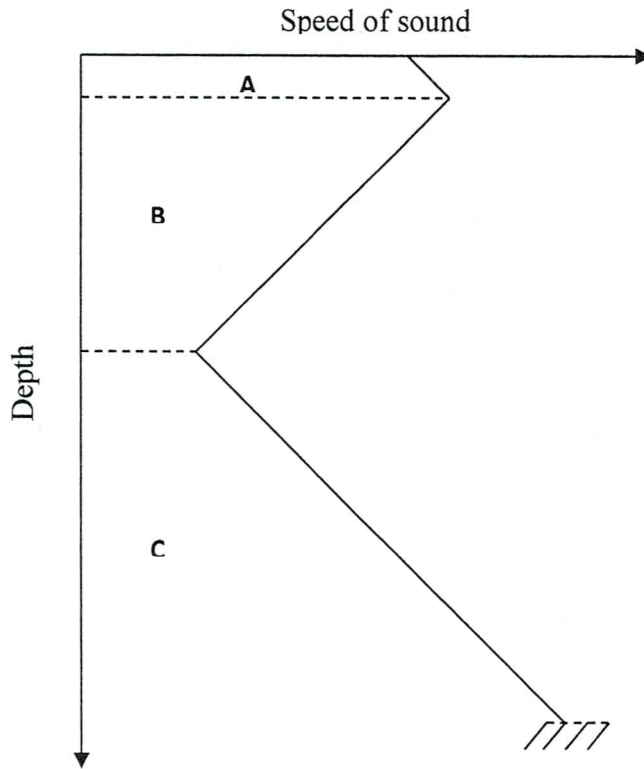
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9. Give four potential applications of sound waves in aquatic ecological studies?

- i.
- ii.
- iii.
- iv.

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10. This question is based on following diagram which shows the behavior of sound speed against the depth of a water body



a. Label the zone A and B

- i. A:
- ii. B:

(02 Marks)

b. List four factors that influence to the behavior of sound in the zone A

- i.
- ii.
- iii.
- iv.

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c. How do you identify the boundaries of the zone B

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d. Define the term "*critical point*" in relation to the sound speed in water and mark it in the above diagram

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Part-III

Answer only one (01) question

(40 Marks)

1. Formation of a fully developed velocity profile inside a pipe is a complex process.
 - a. Describes the flow development process in a pipe
 - b. Water at 20°C flow in a circular pipe of 3.5 cm diameter. Determine the range for the average water flow velocity where the flow is always in transition condition

Note: density and viscosity of water at 20°C are 998 kg.m³ and 1.002 x 10⁻³ kg.ms respectively

2. Application of supercritical water is one of the modern techniques in many processes.
 - a. Describe the process of supercritical water oxidation
 - b. Explain the importance of the supercritical water oxidation process compared to the general incineration
 - c. Write short notes on followings
 - i. Supercritical water biomass gasification
 - ii. Triple point vs Critical point of water