

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING – SEMESTER 8 – EXAMINATION – SUMMER 2026

Subject Code: 2180507

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Subject Name: Transport Phenomena

Time: 10:30 AM TO 01:00 PM

Total Marks: 70

Instructions:

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.

- Q.1**
- (a) Define Scalar, Vector and Tensor quantities used in transport phenomena with examples 03
 - (b) Discuss the application of transport phenomena in Chemical Engineering 04
 - (c) Derive the expression of velocity distribution and momentum flux for Couette Viscometer. 07
- Q.2**
- (a) Explain the concept of shell momentum balance in fluid flow. State the general boundary conditions used in solving momentum transport problems. 03
 - (b) Develop the steady state temperature profile for solid slab between two parallel plates with explanation of molecular heat transport. 04
 - (c) Water at 20 °C is flowing down a vertical wall with $Re = 10$. Calculate (a) the flow rate and (b) the film thickness in inches. 07
 given data: density = 998.2 kg/m³, viscosity = 1.002*10⁻³ kg.m/s and kinematic viscosity = 1.0038*10⁻⁶ m²/s.
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- (c) A thermocouple in a cylindrical well inserted into a gas stream. Estimate the true temperature of gas stream if temperature indicated by thermocouple $T_1 = 500^\circ\text{F}$, wall temperature $T_W = 350^\circ\text{F}$. 07
 Given data: $h = 120 \text{ btu/hr. Ft}^2 \cdot \text{F}$, $k = 60 \text{ btu/hr. Ft}^3 \cdot \text{F}$, thickness of well wall $B = 0.08 \text{ in}$, length of well $L = 0.2 \text{ ft}$.
- Q.3**
- (a) State and explain Fourier's Law of Heat Conduction with its mathematical expression. 03
 - (b) Discuss the dependence of thermal conductivity on temperature and pressure. 04
 - (c) Develop the temperature distribution equation for steady-state heat conduction in a plane wall with uniform chemical heat generation. State all assumptions clearly. 07
- OR
- Q.3**
- (a) What is Thiele Modulus? 03
 - (b) Describe the velocity distribution and shear stress distribution in laminar flow through an annulus. 04
 - (c) Develop the temperature distribution equation for steady-state heat conduction in a plane wall with uniform electrical heat generation. State all assumptions clearly. 07
- Q.4**
- (a) Prove that $J_a + J_b = 0$ 03
 - (b) Explain various experimental and theoretical methods used to determine critical diffusivity $(CDA_A)_c$. 04
 - (c) Derive the expression for molar flux for equimolar counter diffusion of components A and B. Derive the expression for molar flux for equimolar counter diffusion of components A and B. Derive the expression for molar flux for equimolar counter diffusion of components A and B. 07

OR

Q.4

- (a) Define combine molar and mass flux. **03**
- (b) Estimate D_{AB} for the system CO-CO₂ at 296.1 K and 1 atm total pressure. **04**

Properties: $a = 2.745 \times 10^{-4}$, $b = 1.823$

Species	Tc (K)	Pc (atm)
CO	133	34.5
CO ₂	304.2	72.9

- (c) Discuss the diffusion of a gas through a stagnant gas film. Derive the governing equation for molar flux and state the assumptions involved. **07**

- Q.5** (a) Define Prandtl number. Explain how its value varies for gases, liquids. **03**

- (b) Why is diffusion in liquids slower than in gases? Explain in terms of molecular interactions. **04**

- (c) Using conservation of mass, derive the general continuity equation in Cartesian coordinates and explain its physical significance. **07**

OR

- Q.5** (a) Define Schmidt number. Explain how its value varies for gases, liquids, and polymer suspensions. **03**

- (b) Why is heat conduction in metals higher than in non-metals? Explain based on molecular transport mechanism. **04**

- (c) Derive the Navier-Stoke's equation in cylindrical coordinate. **07**
