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AE8501 FLIGHT DYNAMICS

DETAILED SYLLABUS

OBJECTIVE:

To study the performance of airplanes under various operating conditions and the static and dynamic response of aircraft for both voluntary and involuntary changes in flight conditions

UNIT I CRUISING FLIGHT PERFORMANCE

Forces and moments acting on a flight vehicle - Equation of motion of a rigid flight vehicle - Different types of drag –estimation of parasite drag co-efficient by proper area method- Drag polar of vehicles from low speed to high speeds - Variation of thrust, power with velocity and altitudes for air breathing engines . Performance of airplane in level flight - Power available and power required curves. Maximum speed in level flight - Conditions for minimum drag and power required

UNIT II MANOEUVERING FLIGHT PERFORMANCE

Range and endurance - Climbing and gliding flight (Maximum rate of climb and steepest angle of climb, minimum rate of sink and shallowest angle of glide) – Takeoff and landing - Turning performance (Turning rate turn radius). Bank angle and load factor – limitations on turn - V-n diagram and load factor.

UNIT III STATIC LONGITUDINAL STABILITY

Degree of freedom of rigid bodies in space - Static and dynamic stability - Purpose of controls in airplanes -Inherently stable and marginal stable airplanes - Static, Longitudinal stability - Stick fixed stability - Basic equilibrium equation - Stability criterion - Effects of fuselage and nacelle - Influence of CG location - Power effects - Stick fixed neutral point - Stick free stability-Hinge moment coefficient - Stick free neutral points-Symmetric maneuvers - Stick force gradients - Stick force per 'g' - Aerodynamic balancing.

UNIT IV LATERAL AND DIRECTIONAL STABILITY

Dihedral effect - Lateral control - Coupling between rolling and yawing moments - Adverse yaw effects - Aileron reversal - Static directional stability - Weather cocking effect - Rudder requirements - One engine inoperative condition - Rudder lock.

UNIT V DYNAMIC STABILITY

Introduction to dynamic longitudinal stability: - Modes of stability, effect of freeing the stick - Brief description of lateral and directional. dynamic stability - Spiral, divergence, Dutch roll, auto rotation and spin.

OUTCOMES:

• Know about the forces and moments that are acting on an aircraft, the different types of drag, drag polar, ISA, variation of thrust, power, SFC with velocity and altitude.

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- Have understanding about performance in level flight, minimum drag and power required, climbing, gliding and turning flight, v-n diagram and load factor.
- Knowledge about degrees of stability, stick fixed and stick free stability, stability criteria, effect of fuselage and CG location, stick forces, aerodynamic balancing.
- Understanding about lateral control, rolling and yawing moments, static directional stability, rudder and aileron control requirements and rudder lock.
- Understanding about dynamic longitudinal stability, stability derivatives, modes and stability criterion, lateral and directional dynamic stability.

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