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**MAIN EXAMINATION**

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**REGULAR / PART TIME PROGRAMME**

**MAT 604: FLUID MECHANICS IV**

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**Duration: 3 Hours**

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer any THREE Questions**

Q1. Derive the Crocco's first and second integral in forced convection in a laminar boundary layer on a flat plate. **(23 marks)**

Q2. Discuss laminar free convection flow of an incompressible viscous fluid from a heated vertical plate and derive the expression of the local Nusselt number. **(23marks)**

Q3. a) Derive the energy integral equation for two dimensional compressible flow.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^{\delta_1} \rho u c_p (T_1 - T) dy + \frac{d(C_p T)}{dx} Q \int_0^{\delta_1} u (\rho_1 - \rho) dy + \int_0^{\delta_1} \mu \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 dy = Q_w$$

**(15marks)**

b) Hence or otherwise obtain an approximate solution of the boundary layer problem. **(8marks)**

Q4. Discuss Pohlhausen's method of exact solution for the velocity and thermal boundary layers in free convection from a heated vertical plate. **(23marks)**

Q5. a) Show that for an incompressible steady flow with constant viscosity, the velocity components

$$u(y) = y \frac{U}{h} + \frac{h^2}{2\mu} \left( -\frac{dp}{dx} \right) \frac{y}{h} \left( 1 - \frac{y}{h} \right), v = w = 0 \text{ satisfy the equation of motion, when the}$$

body force is neglected  $h, U, \frac{dp}{dx}$  are constants and  $p=p(x)$  **(15marks)**

b) Consider the case of simple Couette flow with velocity and temperature distribution as follows

$$\text{i) } u = \frac{Uy}{h}, v = 0, p = 0$$

$$\text{ii) } \frac{T - T_w}{T_\infty - T_w} = \frac{y}{h} + \frac{\mu w^2}{2k(T_\infty - T_w)} \left( \frac{y}{h} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{y}{h} \right)$$

Where  $T_w$  and  $T$  are temperatures (constant value) of stationary and moving plate, respectively and  $\mu, h$  and  $k$  are constants. Verify that (i) and (ii) are the solutions of the energy equation for steady viscous compressible fluid. **(8marks)**

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