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**Section A**

Answer any **THREE** out of **FOUR** questions. Each question has **25** marks. The figures in the right margin indicate full marks.

1. a) Briefly describe the following terms (**any two**): (6)
  - i. Pan coefficient    ii. Energy balance method    iii. Factors affecting evaporation
- b) Calculate the evaporation rate from an open water source, if the net radiation is  $300 \text{ W/m}^2$  and the air temperature is  $30 \text{ deg C}$ . Assume zero sensible heat, ground heat flux, heat stored in water body and advected energy. The density of water at  $30 \text{ deg C}$  is  $996 \text{ kg/m}^3$ . (5)
- c) A reservoir has an average surface area of  $20 \text{ km}^2$  during March 1980. In that month, the mean rate of inflow =  $10 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ , outflow =  $15 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ , monthly rainfall =  $10 \text{ cm}$  and change in storage =  $16 \text{ million m}^3$ . Assuming seepage losses to be  $1.8 \text{ cm}$ , estimate the evaporation in that month. (4)
- d) How does vapor pressure and wind speed affect the evaporation process? (6)
- e) State the difference between actual and potential evapotranspiration. (4)
2. a) State the differences between recording and non-recording gauges? (5)
- b) Describe two methods for estimating missing rainfall data. (6)
- c) List the different types of hydrologic data. (4)
- d) In a catchment area (Figure 1, attached at the end of the question paper), four rainfall stations are situated inside the catchment and one station is outside in its neighbourhood. Also given are the annual precipitation recorded by the five stations in 1980. Determine the average annual precipitation by the Thiessen polygon method. Consider each square as  $1 \text{ sq km}$ . (10)
3. a) Briefly write down what you know about the Intensity-Duration-Frequency (IDF) curve. (5)
- b) What are differences between frontal and cyclonic weather system? (5)
- c) Define the following terms:    i. Normal precipitation    ii. Return period (5)

d) Estimate the average depth of precipitation over the following catchment based on the isohyetal map given below. The isohytes are given in **mm** and area should be calculated in **sq. km**. Consider each square as 1 sq. km (Figure 2). (10)

4. a) Briefly describe different characteristics of rainfall. (5)  
 b) List the causes responsible for inconsistency in rainfall record. (4)  
 c) Discuss briefly on the climate of Bangladesh. (6)  
 d) Annual rainfall depth data are available below (Table 1) for three consistent gauges (E, F, G) and one inconsistent gauge H. Gauge H was relocated permanently at the end of 1981. Therefore rainfall data for gauge H for the period 1979-1981 must be adjusted to the rainfall characteristics at the new location. (10)

Table 1

Year	Annual rainfall (in)			
	E	F	G	H
1979	22	26	23	28
1980	21	26	25	33
1981	27	31	28	38
1982	25	29	29	31
1983	19	22	23	24
1984	24	25	26	28
1985	17	19	20	22
1986	21	22	23	26

**Section B**  
**Answer any THREE**

5. (a) What are the factors that affect the shape of a flood hydrograph? Describe the different methods of base flow separation. (10)

(b) The following are the ordinates of the hydrograph of flow from a catchment area of 780 km<sup>2</sup> due to a 6-hr rainfall. Derive the ordinates of 6-hr unit hydrograph for the basin. Make suitable assumptions regarding base flow. (15)

Time (hr)	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48
Discharge (cumec)	40	64	215	360	405	350	270	205

Time (hr)	54	60	66	72	78
Discharge (cumec)	145	100	70	50	42

6. (a) What are the assumptions of a unit hydrograph? (3)  
 (b) Explain the procedure of deriving a synthetic unit hydrograph for a catchment by using Snyder's method. (10)

(c) The ordinates of 4-hr UH are given below. Derive the ordinates of an 8-hr UH using S-curve method. (12)

Time (hr)	0	4	8	12	16	20	24	28
4-hr UH ordinates (cumec)	0	24	82	159	184	151	103	64
Time (hr)	32	36	40	44				
4-hr UH ordinates (cumec)	36	17	6	0				

7. (a) The following data were collected for a 24m wide stream at a gauging station. Compute the discharge. (10)

Distance from one end of Water surface (m)	depth, d (m)	Immersion of current meter at 0.6d below water surface	
		REV	SEC
3	1.4	12	50
6	3.3	29	53
9	5.0	35	56
12	9.0	42	59
15	5.4	32	51
18	3.8	33	53
21	1.8	18	50

Calibration equation of current meter:  $v = 0.3N + 0.05$ ,  $N$  = revolutions per seconds,  $v$  = velocity, m/s.

(b) The inflow and outflow hydrographs for a reach of a river are given below. Determine the best values of the Muskingum coefficients  $k$  and  $x$  for the reach. (15)

Time (hr)	Inflow (cumec)	Outflow (cumec)
0	20	20
12	191	30
24	249	120
36	164	176
48	110	164
60	82	135
72	62	116
84	48	90
96	32	68
108	28	52

8. (a) Describe different methods to estimate the magnitude of a flood peak.

(7)

(b) Annual maximum recorded floods in a tributary of the river Brahmaputra for the period 1939 to 1968 is given below which fits well the Gumbel extreme value distribution. Estimate the flood discharge with recurrence interval of (i) 100 years and (ii) 150 years. Also find 95% confidence limits for these estimates.

(18)

Year	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948
Flood (cumec)	14570	8440	14000	22620	4820	29300	24200	12450	7270	6230

Year	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
Flood (cumec)	18300	9680	6480	3680	11430	21240	8500	9720	5810	19650

Year	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Flood (cumec)	37300	7220	20860	18700	7650	6090	4390	10340	12880	42450

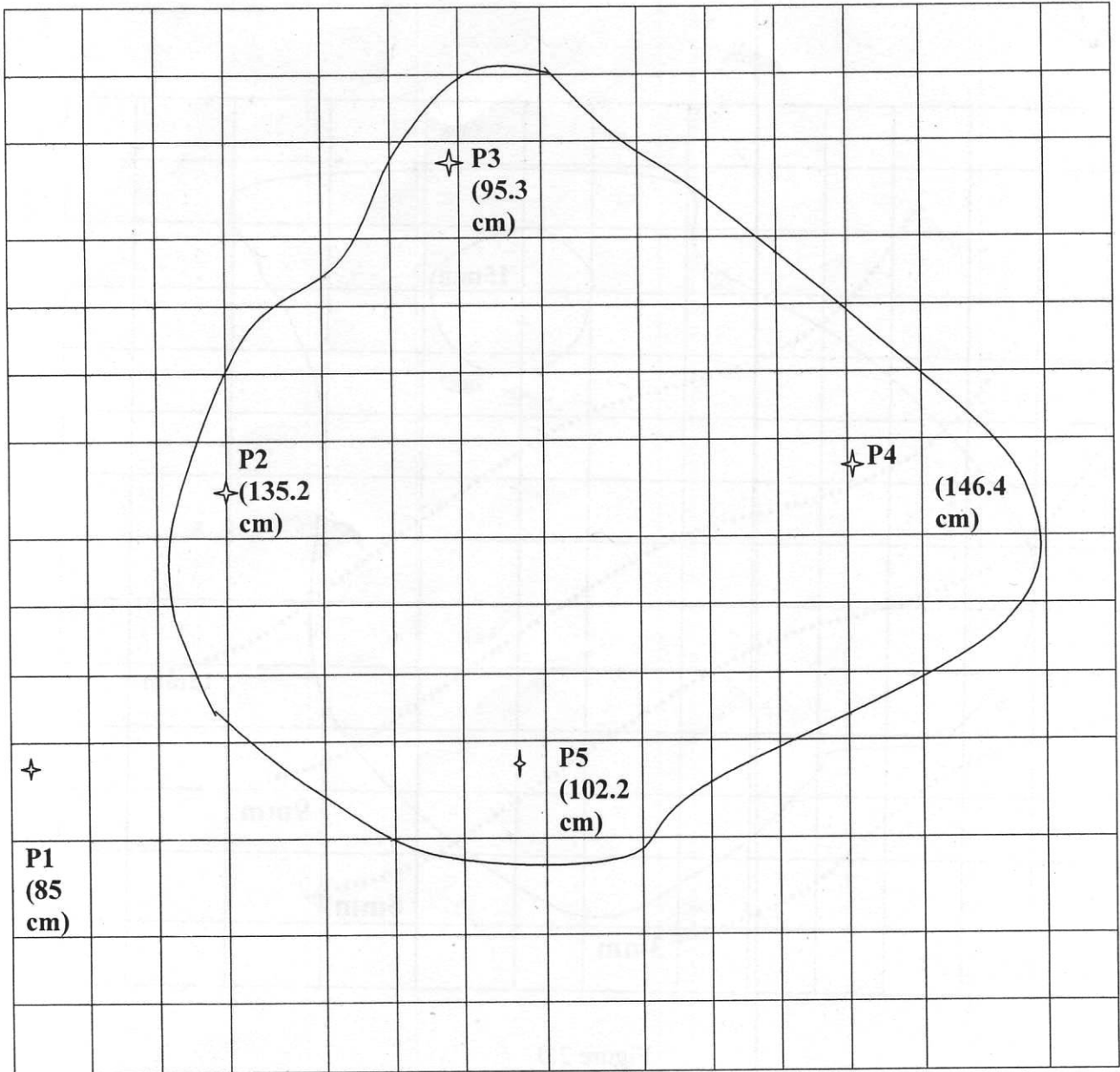


Figure 1.0

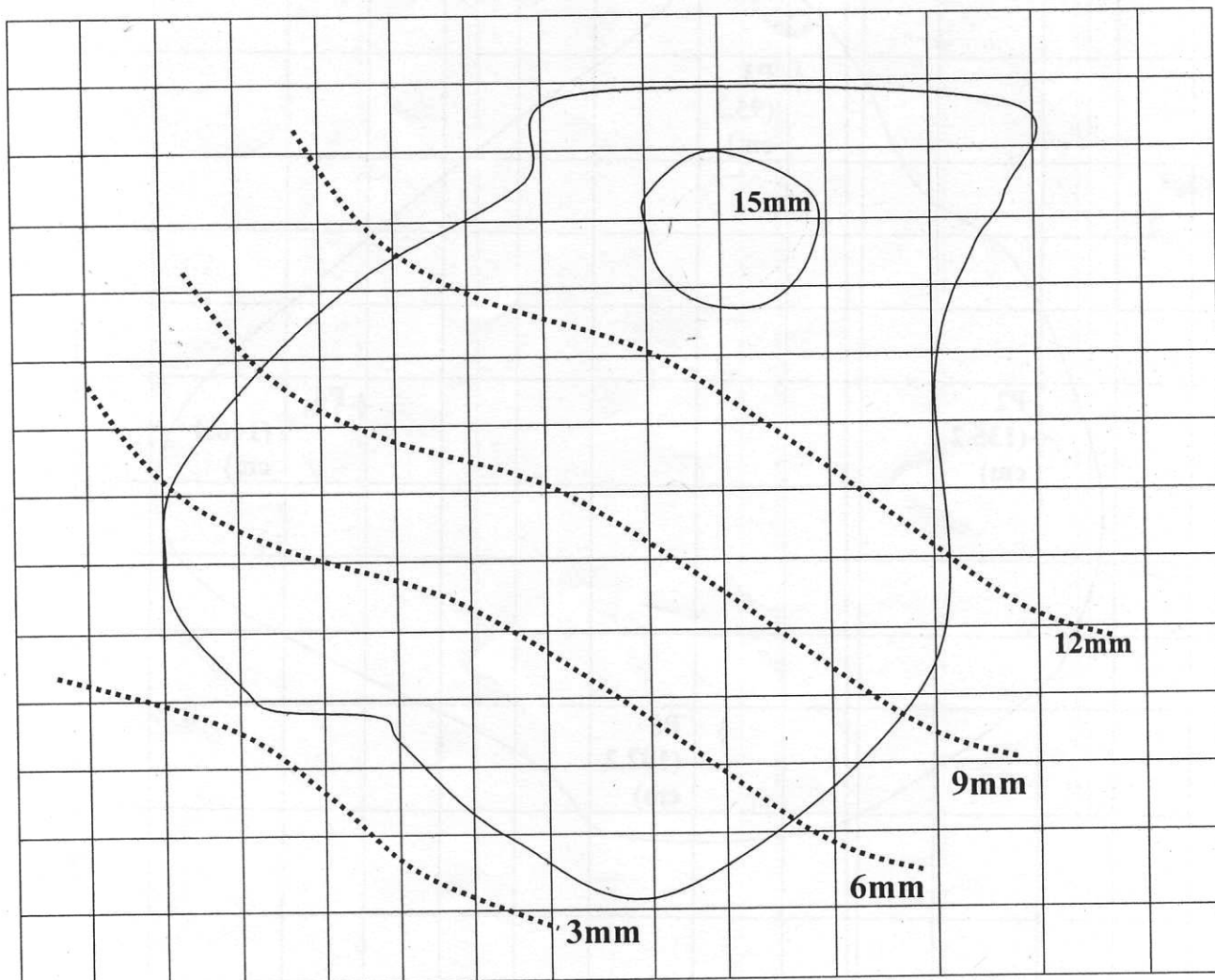


Figure 2.0

$$x_T = \bar{x} + K \sigma_{n-1} \quad \sigma_{n-1} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{N-1}}$$

$$K = \frac{y_T - \bar{y}_n}{S_n} \quad y_T = -\left[ \ln \cdot \ln \frac{T}{T-1} \right]$$

$$T = 1/P \quad P = \frac{m}{N+1}$$

$$H_n = H_a + H_e + H_g + H_s + H_i$$

$$E = \frac{H_n - H_g - H_s - H_i}{l_v \rho_w (1 + \beta)}$$

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$$l_v = 2.501 \times 10^6 - 2370T \quad \text{where } T \text{ is in deg C.}$$

$$x_{1/2} = x_T \pm f(c) S_e$$

$$S_e = \text{probable error} = b \frac{\sigma_{n-1}}{\sqrt{N}}$$

$$b = \sqrt{1 + 1.3K + 1.1K^2}$$

c in per cent	50	68	80	90	95	99
f(c)	0.674	1.00	1.282	1.645	1.96	2.58

TABLE 7.3 REDUCED MEAN  $\bar{y}_n$  IN GUMBEL'S EXTREME VALUE DISTRIBUTION

$N$  = sample size

$N$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	0.4952	0.4996	0.5035	0.5070	0.5100	0.5128	0.5157	0.5181	0.5202	0.5220
20	0.5236	0.5252	0.5268	0.5283	0.5296	0.5309	0.5320	0.5332	0.5343	0.5353
30	0.5362	0.5371	0.5380	0.5388	0.5396	0.5402	0.5410	0.5418	0.5424	0.5430
40	0.5436	0.5442	0.5448	0.5453	0.5458	0.5463	0.5468	0.5473	0.5477	0.5481
50	0.5485	0.5489	0.5493	0.5497	0.5501	0.5504	0.5508	0.5511	0.5515	0.5518
60	0.5521	0.5524	0.5527	0.5530	0.5533	0.5535	0.5538	0.5540	0.5543	0.5545
70	0.5548	0.5550	0.5552	0.5555	0.5557	0.5559	0.5561	0.5563	0.5565	0.5567
80	0.5569	0.5570	0.5572	0.5574	0.5576	0.5578	0.5580	0.5581	0.5583	0.5585
90	0.5586	0.5587	0.5589	0.5591	0.5592	0.5593	0.5595	0.5596	0.5598	0.5599
100	0.5600									

TABLE 7.4 REDUCED STANDARD DEVIATION  $S_n$  IN GUMBEL'S EXTREME VALUE DISTRIBUTION

$N$  = sample size

$N$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	0.9496	0.9676	0.9833	0.9971	1.0095	1.0206	1.0316	1.0411	1.0493	1.0565
20	1.0628	1.0696	1.0754	1.0811	1.0864	1.0915	1.0961	1.1004	1.1047	1.1086
30	1.1124	1.1159	1.1193	1.1226	1.1255	1.1285	1.1313	1.1339	1.1363	1.1388
40	1.1413	1.1436	1.1458	1.1480	1.1499	1.1519	1.1538	1.1557	1.1574	1.1590
50	1.1607	1.1623	1.1638	1.1658	1.1667	1.1681	1.1696	1.1708	1.1721	1.1734
60	1.1747	1.1759	1.1770	1.1782	1.1793	1.1803	1.1814	1.1824	1.1834	1.1844
70	1.1854	1.1863	1.1873	1.1881	1.1890	1.1898	1.1906	1.1915	1.1923	1.1930
80	1.1938	1.1945	1.1953	1.1959	1.1967	1.1973	1.1980	1.1987	1.1994	1.2001
90	1.2007	1.2013	1.2020	1.2026	1.2032	1.2038	1.2044	1.2049	1.2055	1.2060
100	1.2065									



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**Section A (Answer any THREE)**  
 (Assume any reasonable data if not given)

1. (a) Explain the following (any Three) (9)
- i) Consistency test for rainfall records
  - ii) Estimating the missing rainfall data
  - iii) Pan coefficient
  - iv)  $\Phi$ -index
  - v) Initial loss to reduce the water volume available for runoff

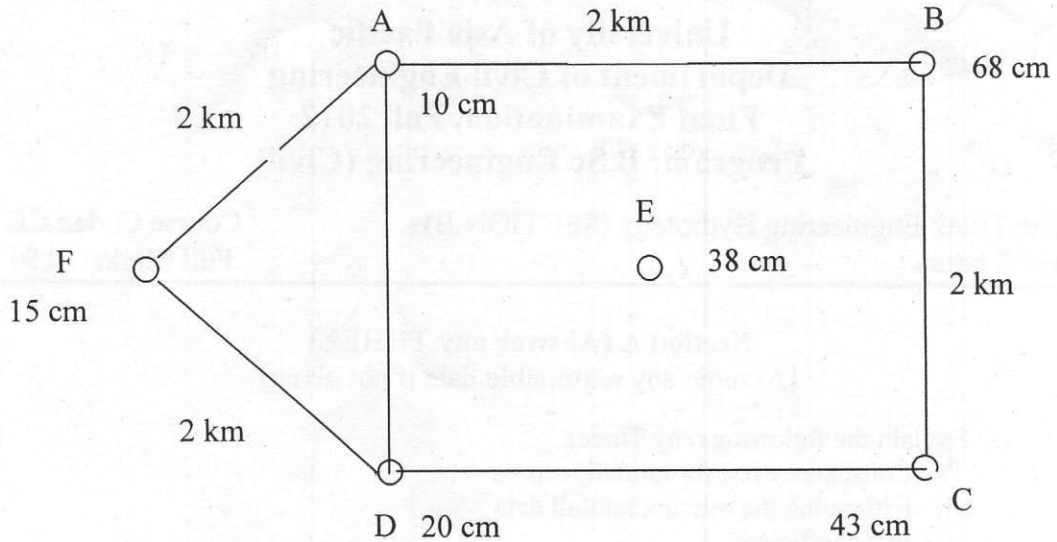
- (b) Distinguish between the following (any Two) (8)
- i) Recording and non-recording rain gauges
  - ii) Infiltration capacity and infiltration rate
  - iii) Field capacity and wilting point

(c) Rainfall of magnitude 3.8cm and 2.8cm occurring on two consecutive 4-h durations on a catchment of area 27 km<sup>2</sup> produced the following hydrograph of flow at the outlet of the catchment. Estimate the rainfall excess and  $\Phi$ -index. (8)

Time (h)	-6	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42
Observed Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	6	5	13	26	21	16	12	9	7

Time (h)	48	54	60	66
Observed Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	5	5	4.5	4.5

2. (a) A reservoir had an average area of 20 km<sup>2</sup>. In a particular month the mean rate of inflow = 10 m<sup>3</sup>/s, outflow = 15 m<sup>3</sup>/s, monthly rainfall = 10 cm and increase in storage = 16 million m<sup>3</sup>. Assuming the seepage losses to be 1.8 cm, estimate the evaporation in that month. (10)
- (b) Find the mean precipitation for the area shown below by Thiessen polygon method. The area is composed of a square plus an equilateral triangular plot of side 2 km. Rainfall readings are in cm at the various stations indicated. (15)



3. (a) Discuss the factors that affect the process of evaporation? (10)
- (c) Estimate the daily potential evapotranspiration for the following data by Penman's formula: (15)
- i) Slope of the saturation vapour pressure vs. temperature at the mean air temperature =  $1.00 \text{ mm}^\circ\text{C}$
  - ii) Mean temperature =  $19^\circ\text{C}$
  - iii) Relative humidity = 75%
  - iv) Wind velocity at 2 m height = 85 km/day
  - v) Saturated vapour pressure  $e_w = 16.5 \text{ mm of Hg}$
  - vi) Net radiation = 1.99 mm of water per day
  - vii) Psychrometric constant =  $0.49 \text{ mm of Hg}^\circ\text{C}$
4. (a) A catchment area has five rain gauge stations. In a year the annual rainfall recorded by the gauges are as follows:
- | Station      | A  | B   | C   | D  | E  |
|--------------|----|-----|-----|----|----|
| Rainfall(cm) | 88 | 104 | 138 | 78 | 56 |
- For a 10% error in the estimation of the mean rainfall, calculate the minimum number of additional stations required to be established in the catchment. (10)
- (b) Rain gauge station D was inoperative for part of a month during which a storm occurred. The storm rainfall recorded in the three surrounding stations A, B and C were 8.5, 6.7 and 9.0 cm, respectively. If the average annual rainfall for the stations are 75, 84, 70 and 90 cm, respectively, estimate the storm rainfall at station D. (10)
- (c) Sketch the schematic diagram of energy budget method of estimating evaporation from a lake. (5)

### Section B

Answer any **THREE**. Each question has **25** marks. The figures in the right margin indicate full marks.

5. a) Describe Horton's infiltration curve and equation. (4)  
 b) Differentiate between the two: (6)  
     i.  $\phi$ -index and W-index.  
     ii. Saturation overland flow and Hortonian overland flow  
 c) Describe the different components of a hydrograph with a figure. (3)  
 d) Calculate the streamflow hydrograph for a storm of 6 inches excess rainfall, with 2 inches in the first half hour, 3 inches in the second half hour and 1 inch in the third half hour. Use the half hour unit hydrograph given below and assume a baseflow of 500 cfs. (12)

Time (0.5 h)	Excess precipitation (in)	Unit hydrograph ordinates (cfs/in)
1	2	404
2	3	1079
3	1	2343
4		2506
5		1460
6		453
7		381
8		254
9		173

6. a) Briefly discuss about the three types of streams: perennial, ephemeral and intermittent. Draw figures. (5)  
 b) Describe how the following factors affect a streamflow hydrograph: (5)  
     i. Shape of the basin   ii. Drainage density   iii. Land use  
 c) Describe different baseflow separation methods using figures wherever possible. (5)  
 d) A 3-h unit hydrograph for a basin has the following ordinates (Table 1). Using the **s-curve** method, determine the 12- h unit hydrograph. (10)
7. a) Define attenuation and time lag using a hydrograph. (4)  
 b) Describe prism and wedge storage in a channel and the role of 'x' in the Muskingum method of channel routing. (6)

**Table 1**

Col 1	Col 2 (3-h UH)
0	0
3	12
6	75
9	132
12	180
15	210
18	183
24	156
27	135
30	144
33	96
36	0

c) A reservoir for detaining flood flows has an outlet structure including a 3 ft diameter rein-forced concrete pipe as the outlet structure. The headwater discharge relation for the outlet pipe is given in **col 2** and **col 3** of Table 2.0. Use the level pool routing method (Goodrich equation) to calculate reservoir outflow from the inflow hydrograph given in **col 6** and **col 7** of Table 2. Assume the reservoir is initially empty. (15)

$$\frac{2S_{j+1}}{\Delta t} + Q_{j+1} = (I_j + I_{j+1}) + \left(\frac{2S_j}{\Delta t} - Q_j\right)$$

Here  $I_j$  and  $I_{j+1}$  are inflows,  $S_j$  is storage and  $Q_j$  is outflow from previous time step and  $S_{j+1}$  and  $Q_{j+1}$  are two unknowns.

**Table 2.0**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
index j	elevation	discharge	storage	$(2S/\Delta t)+Q$	time (min)	inflow 'I' (cfs)
	h-ft	Q-cfs	S-ft <sup>3</sup>	cfs; $\Delta t=10\text{min}$		
1	0	0	0		0	0
2	0.5	3	21780		10	60
3	1	8	43560		20	120
4	1.5	17	65340		30	180
5	2	30	87120		40	240
6	2.5	43	108900		50	300
7	3	60	130680		60	360
8	3.5	78	152460		70	300
9	4	97	174240		80	220
10	4.5	117	196020		90	140
11	5	137	217800		100	0

8. a) What is Intensity-Duration-Frequency (IDF) curve? How is it used in peak flood estimation? (4)
- b) List the different techniques of stream flow measurement. (4)
- c) Briefly explain the concept of 'return period' and 'confidence limit' in flood frequency analysis. (5)
- d) Flood frequency computations for the river Turag was completed using Gumbel's method and following results were obtained. Estimate the flood magnitude in this river with a return period of 500 years. (12)

Return period T (years)	Peak flood ( $m^3/s$ )
50	30,000
100	35,300

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40	0.5436	0.5442	0.5448	0.5453	0.5458	0.5463	0.5468	0.5473	0.5477	0.5481
50	0.5485	0.5489	0.5493	0.5497	0.5501	0.5504	0.5508	0.5511	0.5515	0.5518
60	0.5521	0.5524	0.5527	0.5530	0.5533	0.5535	0.5538	0.5540	0.5543	0.5545
70	0.5548	0.5550	0.5552	0.5555	0.5557	0.5559	0.5561	0.5563	0.5565	0.5567
80	0.5569	0.5570	0.5572	0.5574	0.5576	0.5578	0.5580	0.5581	0.5583	0.5585
90	0.5586	0.5587	0.5589	0.5591	0.5592	0.5593	0.5595	0.5596	0.5598	0.5599
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30	1.1124	1.1159	1.1193	1.1226	1.1255	1.1285	1.1313	1.1339	1.1363	1.1388
40	1.1413	1.1436	1.1458	1.1480	1.1499	1.1519	1.1538	1.1557	1.1574	1.1590
50	1.1607	1.1623	1.1638	1.1658	1.1667	1.1681	1.1696	1.1708	1.1721	1.1734
60	1.1747	1.1759	1.1770	1.1782	1.1793	1.1803	1.1814	1.1824	1.1834	1.1844
70	1.1854	1.1863	1.1873	1.1881	1.1890	1.1898	1.1906	1.1915	1.1923	1.1930
80	1.1938	1.1945	1.1953	1.1959	1.1967	1.1973	1.1980	1.1987	1.1994	1.2001
90	1.2007	1.2013	1.2020	1.2026	1.2032	1.2038	1.2044	1.2049	1.2055	1.2060
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