

SPACE PROPULSION

VI Semester: AE									
Course Code	Category	Hours / Week			Credits	Maximum Marks			
AAE012	Core	L	T	P	C	CIA	SEE	Total	
		3	1	-	4	30	70	100	
Contact Classes: 45		Tutorial Classes: 15		Practical Classes: Nil		Total Classes: 60			
I. COURSE OVERVIEW:									
<p>An aerospace propulsion system is a device that generates forces to push the aerospace vehicles forward. This course discusses about the various Aerospace propulsive devices in micro level, it includes an overview of different types of propulsive system present in aircrafts and rockets such as turbojet, turboprop, turbofan, IC engine, solid propellant, hybrid propellant and liquid propellant engines. Along with that design and analysis will be discussed on the various parameters and components present in aerospace propulsive system.</p>									
II. OBJECTIVES:									
The course should enable the students to:									
I. Evaluate various space missions, parameters to be considered for designing trajectories and rocket mission profiles									
II. Understand the fundamentals of chemical rocket propulsion, types of igniters and performance considerations of rockets.									
III. Discuss the working principle of solid and liquid propellant rockets and gain basic knowledge of hybrid rocket propulsion.									
IV. Illustrate electric propulsion techniques, ion and nuclear rocket and the performances of different advanced propulsion systems.									
III. COURSE OUTCOMES:									
After successful completion of the course, students should be able to:									
CO 1	Explain the different types of air-breathing engines using the Brayton cycle for selecting the suitable engine to an aircraft.						Understand		
CO 2	Determine the performance parameters that will influence the Air-breathing engines by using parameters like SFC, Thrust, Efficiency equation for improving the range and endurance of the aircraft.						Apply		
CO 3	Select the functions and geometrical parameters of different types of inlets, nozzles, combustors and afterburners using aerodynamic principles for selecting of suitable design as per the engine specification.						Apply		
CO 4	Make a use of velocity triangle method to simplify the performance instability of the compressor and turbine blades for increasing the efficiency of the engine.						Apply		
CO 5	Utilize the working principles of solid and hybrid rocket motors using Newton's second law of equilibrium for simplifying the limitations and performances level of rocket engine.						Apply		
CO 6	Distinguish the different propellant feed system and injectors by using equations for thrust vector control for selecting the suitable component in rocket engine.						Analyze		
IV. SYLLABUS:									
UNIT-I	PRINCIPLES OF ROCKET PROPULSION						Classes: 09		
History of rockets, Newton's third law, orbits and space flight, types of orbits, basic orbital equations, elliptical transfer orbits, launch trajectories, the velocity increment needed for launch, the thermal rocket engine, concepts of vertical takeoff and landing, SSTO and TSTO, launch assists.									

UNIT-II	FUNDAMENTALS OF ROCKET PROPULSION	Classes: 09
<p>Operating principle, Rocket equation, Specific impulse of a rocket, internal ballistics, Rocket nozzle classification, Rocket performance considerations of rockets, types of igniters, preliminary concepts in nozzle less propulsion, air augmented rockets, pulse rocket motors, static testing of rockets and instrumentation, safety considerations.</p>		
UNIT-III	SOLID ROCKET PROPULSION	Classes: 09
<p>Salient features of solid propellant rockets, selection criteria of solid propellants, estimation of solid propellant adiabatic flame temperature, propellant grain design considerations.</p> <p>Erosive burning in solid propellant rockets, combustion instability, strand burner and T-burner, applications and advantages of solid propellant rockets.</p>		
UNIT-IV	LIQUID AND HYBRID ROCKET PROPULSION	Classes: 09
<p>Salient features of liquid propellant rockets, selection of liquid propellants, various feed systems and injectors for liquid propellant rockets, thrust control cooling in liquid propellant rockets and the associated heat transfer problems, combustion instability in liquid propellant rockets, peculiar problems associated with operation of cryogenic engines, introduction to hybrid rocket propulsion, standard and reverse hybrid systems, combustion mechanism in hybrid propellant rockets, applications and limitations.</p>		
UNIT-V	ADVANCED PROPULSION TECHNIQUES	Classes: 09
<p>Electric rocket propulsion, types of electric propulsion techniques, Ion propulsion, Nuclear rocket, comparison of performance of these propulsion systems with chemical rocket propulsion systems, future applications of electric propulsion systems, Solar sail.</p>		
Text Books:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Hill, P.G. and Peterson, C.R., “Mechanics and Thermodynamics of Propulsion”, 2nd Edition, Addison Wesley, 1992. Turner, M.J.L., “Rocket and Spacecraft Propulsion”, 2nd Edition, MIT Press, 1992. Hieter and Pratt, “Hypersonic Air breathing propulsion” 5th Edition, 1993. 		
Reference Books:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Sutton, G.P., “Rocket Propulsion Elements” John Wiley & Sons Inc., New York, 5th Edition, 1993. Mathur, M.L., and Sharma, R.P., “Gas Turbine, Jet and Rocket Propulsion”, Standard Publishers and Distributors, Delhi, 1988. Tajmar, M., Advanced Space Propulsion Systems, Springer 2003. 		
Web References:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> https://nptel.ac.in/courses/101106033/ https://nptel.ac.in/courses/112106073/ https://www.coursera.org/specializations/propulsion. 		
E-Text Books:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.scribd.com/document/63588270/Aerospace-Propulsion-Systems https://as.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-1118806778.html https://as.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-1118307984.html https://as.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-0470824972.html 		
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