

Indian Maritime University
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Model Examinations – 2025
Programme Name: B.Sc. (NS)
Semester: III
Subject Code: UG21T6305
Subject Name: Celestial Navigation

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Max Marks: 70

Duration: 03 Hrs

Pass Marks: 35

- (i) All Sections (A, B & C) are to be attempted.
- (ii) Options are specified in respective section.

Section A 10 question 1 mark each

1. Azimuth & Altitude of a celestial body is known as -----
2. Obliquity of Ecliptic is -----
3. LHA of a Celestial body would be 180° when the body is on the observer's -----
4. A new day starts over a place when the ----- is over the ----- of that place
5. An Inferior planet can never be in ----- &-----
6. Duration of Daylight/darkness over a place depends upon -----
7. Azimuth of a cel. body on the Observer's Prime vertical circle(East) would be -----
8. Sidereal Period of moon is -----
9. 'v' corrections are applied with -----
10. Observer on earth within divided umbra shadow will experience -----

Section B Five Questions of 02 Marks each

11. Find the GP of SUN on 19th JAN.2008 @ 1030Hr. GMT
12. Find the GMT if the Sun is over the meridian of an observer at $67^\circ 30'W$
13. Explain kepler's 2nd law of planetary motion.

14. Show by a neat diagram that if the declination of sun is 0° then latitude of an Observer is equivalent to the meridional zenith distance of the sun.

15. Explain 12th time zone by a suitable diagram.

Section C 10 marks each

16.

A) What could be the consequence if the spin axis of the earth would have been at 90° with the orbital plane of the earth?

B) Describe 'Winter solstice' with the daylight & darkness conditions at various places on the earth.

17.

A) Find the LHA γ , If GHA $\gamma = 185^\circ 36'$ & Long of an Observer is $175^\circ 24' E$; Also find the LHA of a star if at that time, the SHA of Star is $225^\circ 30'$.

B) Explain Zone Time. A ship is in $139^\circ 30' E$ and sailing easterly direction. Find the time on board ship would be If the time then is 0930hr.GMT

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A) Show by a diagram True Altitude = Apparent altitude + parallax in altitude

B) On 5th May 2008, the sextant Alt. of the Sun's Upper limb was $56^\circ 11.4'$. If the Index error of the sextant was $2.8'$ off the arc & the height of eye was 12m, find the True Alt. & TZD

19.

On 1st May. 2008, in DR $179^\circ 58' E$, the observed Altitude of the sun's LL on the meridian was $65^\circ 35.9'$ South of the observer. If HE was 25m, find the latitude & state the direction of the LOP.

20. Show the following on the plane of ORH

Lat. Of Obs. = $45^\circ N$ Decl. of CB = $15^\circ N$ & Az = $S45^\circ E$. If the Altitude of the CB is then 55° , Complete the ΔPZX . Identify & measure its sides.