MEng (Engineering) Examination 2017

Year 1

AE1-111 Thermodynamics

Tuesday 30th May 2017: 14.00 to 16.30 [2½ hours]

The paper is divided into Section A and Section B.

Both sections carry the same weight.

Candidates may obtain full marks for complete answers to *ALL* questions.

A Data Sheet is attached.

The use of lecture notes is NOT allowed.

Section A

Each question in Section A carries 10% of the total marks for the paper. Attempt ALL question in this section

(a) Hydrogen gas is contained in a cylinder at a temperature of 300 K and a pressure of 400 bar by a moveable piston. The volume occupied by the gas is 0.02 m³. The surroundings are at a temperature of 300 K and a pressure of 1 bar. Take the gas constant for hydrogen to be 4.12 kJ kg⁻¹ K⁻¹ and the specific heat capacity at constant volume to be 10.2 kJ kg⁻¹ K⁻¹

What is the mass of hydrogen in the cylinder?

[20%]

- (b) The hydrogen undergoes a gradual, isothermal compression to a pressure of 750 bar. Calculate:
 - (i) the amount of work required to compress the hydrogen;

[20%]

(ii) the heat transfer, if any.

[20%]

- (c) After the compression has occurred,
 - (i) explain how the exergy of the hydrogen has altered, if at all;

[20%]

(ii) the maximum quantity of work, if any, that could be obtained in returning the hydrogen to its initial state. [20%]

- 2. (a) A heat engine working in a cycle absorbs 10 MJ of heat from a reservoir at 750 K, and rejects 7 MJ of heat to a reservoir at 350 K.
 - (i) What is the thermal efficiency of the engine? [10%]
 - (ii) For the given reservoirs and heat supplied, what power output would correspond to a second law efficiency of 90%? [20%]
 - (b) Heat engines A and B are each reversible and each also operates between thermal reservoirs at the same hot, T_H, and cold, T_C, temperatures respectively. Show that the thermal efficiency of the two engines must be identical.

[50%]

(c) Given the definition of thermodynamic probability as the number of microstates Ω_k leading to a given macrostate, show that Boltzmann's equation,

$$S = k_B \ln \Omega$$

is consistent with the requirement that the combined entropy of the two systems is equal to the sum of the entropy of each system. [20%]

- 3. (a) A device operating in the steady state draws in surrounding air at 300 K at a rate of 4.0 kg.s⁻¹. The air is returned to the surroundings through two outlets. At one outlet, half the air mass flow exits at 500 K, whilst at the second outlet, the remaining half of the mass flow exits at 350 K. The device produces a power output of 50 kW. Assume the pressure at inlet and at both outlets is 1 bar and neglect all velocities.
 - (i) Write down the energy equation in a form suitable for analysis of the device, explaining the meaning of all symbols used.

[20%]

(ii) Calculate the heat transfer rate to the device.

[30%]

(b) Sketch a *T-s* diagram for a low-pressure ratio gas turbine cycle appropriate for ground based power, and give an expression for the thermal efficiency in terms of the relevant process temperatures.

On a separate sketch show how the T-s diagram would be altered if a single intercooling stage were incorporated.

[50%]

- 4. Consider isentropic flow of a perfect gas through a converging-diverging nozzle.
 - (a) Show that the exit velocity (v_2) and static pressure P_2 are related to total pressure, P_0 , and total temperature T_0 according to:

$$v_2^2 = 2\left(\frac{\gamma R}{\gamma - 1}\right) T_0 \left[1 - \left(\frac{P_2}{P_0}\right)^{\frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma}}\right]$$

and hence find an expression for the maximum theoretical jet exit velocity.

Note: the relation $\mathcal{C}_P = \frac{\gamma R}{\gamma - 1}$ may be assumed.

[70%]

(b) If the nozzle is choked, calculate the ratio of total to static pressure at the throat for a flow of air. [30%]

5.

A satellite for a proposed mission to Jupiter is designed to utilise two power sources: a photovoltaic solar panel array and a radioisotope thermoelectric generator (RTG). After a journey lasting 6 years, the satellite will enter the planned orbit about Jupiter, after which it will spend a further 12 years transmitting data.

Each source is to provide a minimum power of 50 W throughout the mission.

The following parameters are given:

<u>Panel</u>

Solar conversion efficiency: 20%. Solar constant (earth) 1300 Wm⁻². Orbital characteristics of Jupiter:

aphelion, 5.45 AU; perihelion 4.95 AU; orbital period 11.9 years.

RTG

Conversion efficiency 8%.

Source: 5.5 MeV alpha emitter;

half-life: 88 years;

activity at launch: 600 GBq/gram (600x109 decays s-1 g-1).

(a) Calculate the minimum solar panel area required.

[50%]

(b) Calculate the minimum mass of the radioisotope required.

[50%]

Section B

1.

(a) A ramjet is designed to propel an aircraft at Mach 3 at an altitude where the ambient pressure and temperature are respectively 26.4 kPa and 223 K. Flow is heated in the combustion chamber to 2000 K. The intake total pressure recovery factor is 90%. The nozzle flow is fully expanded. For the analysis, neglect the added fuel mass and take the ramjet flow as air with constant properties.

Calculate the specific thrust.

[25%]

(b) Show that for an ideal ramjet, the specific thrust is given by:

$$\frac{F}{m_a a_0} = M_0 \left[\sqrt{\tau_b} - 1 \right];$$

where \dot{m}_a represents the air mass flow rate, $\sqrt{\tau_b}$ represents the ratio of exhaust to inlet total temperature, and subscript 0 represents inlet conditions, with all other symbols having their usual meaning. State any assumptions made.

Compare also the ideal thrust with that calculated in part (a).

[30%]

(c) Write down an energy balance for the air and fuel flow through the engine and use this to show that the fuel/air ratio may be approximated as:

$$f = \frac{\dot{m}_f}{\dot{m}_a} = \frac{c_P T_{\rm T0}}{\Delta H} [\tau_b - 1],$$

where $T_{\rm T0}$ is the inlet total temperature and ΔH is the energy released by combustion.

Hence derive an expression for the (weight) specific impulse, $^F/_{g\dot{m}_f}$

[25%]

(d) Using a sketch, compare the ideal ramjet cycle with that of a turbojet with reheat, assuming the maximum reheat temperature is the same as the ramjet maximum temperature.
[20%] 2.

(a) A shock wave with a pressure ratio of 20 is propagating in a shock tube filled with air. In the undisturbed air ahead of the shock, the pressure is 2 bar and the temperature is 300 K.

Calculate the static and total temperature of the air flow induced by the shock. [30%]

Calculate the velocity of the flow induced by the shock.

[20%]

(b) It is desired to estimate the mean heat transfer coefficient for a sphere in supersonic flow using a thermocouple placed at the centre of a small solid spherical model suspended in a shock tube. The model is of known thermal properties with a high thermal conductivity so that variations in internal temperature are negligible.

Write down an expression relating the rate of temperature increase of the model to the overall heat transfer.

[30%]

Hence explain how the mean heat transfer coefficient could be estimated and any assumptions made.

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[10%]

Explain briefly how radiation between the model and the tunnel walls could affect the measurement and how this might be mitigated.

[10%]

AE1-111 Thermodynamics Data sheet

1: Unless otherwise stated, air may be treated as a perfect gas for which

 γ = 1.4, C_{D} = 1.005 kJ/kg K and R = 0.287 kJ/kg K.

- 2: The Stefan Boltzmann constant $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}^4$.
- 3: <u>Definitions</u>: <u>Nusselt number</u>, $Nu = \frac{hL}{k}$; <u>Prandtl number</u>, $P_r = \frac{C_p \mu}{k}$ where L is a characteristic length and all symbols have their usual meanings.
- 4: The exergy of a system at state "1" in surroundings which are at state "a" is:

$$X = M\phi = M[(u_1 - u_a) + P_a(v_1 - v_a) - T_a(s_1 - s_a)] + \text{K.E.} + \text{P.E. etc.},$$
 where all symbols have their usual meaning.

- 5: Radioactivity. 1 Gigabecquerel (GBq) = 10⁹ decays/sec.

 1 Megaelectronvolt (MeV) = 1.6 x 10⁻¹³ Joules
- 6: For a perfect gas flowing through a stationary normal shock wave

$$\frac{p_2}{p_1} = \frac{2\gamma}{\gamma + 1} M_1^2 - \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma + 1} \quad ; \quad \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} = \frac{(\gamma + 1) M_1^2}{2 + (\gamma - 1) M_1^2}$$

$$M_2^2 = [(\gamma - 1)M_1^2 + 2] / [2\gamma M_1^2 - (\gamma - 1)]$$

and for adiabatic flow

$$\frac{T_o}{T} = I + \frac{\gamma - I}{2} M^2$$

7: Properties of water:

T °C	ρ (kg/m ³)	μ (Pa.s)	$\mathbf{v}(\mathrm{m}^2/\mathrm{s})$	$C_p(kJ/[kgK])$	k (W/[mK])
10	999.8	1.308×10^{-3}	1.308 10 ⁻⁶	4.193	0.582
50	988.0	5.471×10^{-4}	5.537 10 ⁻⁷	4.181	0.640
100	958.3	2.822×10^{-4}	2.945 10 ⁻⁷	4.216	0.677

- 8: Incompressible fully developed laminar flow in a circular tube:
 - (a) constant heat flux at wall: $Nu \approx 4.36$
 - (b) constant wall temperature: $Nu \approx 3.66$
- 9: Incompressible fully developed turbulent flow in a circular tube:

Nu
$$\approx 0.022 \text{ Pr}^{0.5} \text{Re}^{0.8}$$
 (Pr > 0.5, Re < 10⁶)

10: The axisymmetric conduction equation in cylindrical coordinates can be written:

$$\rho C \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = k \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) \right] + S_{\nu}$$

where S_V represents heat generated/unit volume and there is no axial variation.

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Q1 (a)

$$T=300$$
, $P=4\times10^{7}$, $V=0-02$

Exam notes: Generally good, => M = PV = 4×10 ×0.02 Common (1):

* enong : Wrong R (air);

Forgetting in in calculating W; M = 0.647 kg. Ans Assuring isothermal means Q = 0; Mistakes in calculating $x_2 - x_1 \rightarrow net$ seeing shortcut.

(b) (i) P = 400 -> Pz = 750 @ Tenst.

$$\frac{W}{m} = \int P d\nu \left(\text{reversibb} \right); P\nu = RT \Rightarrow P = \frac{RT}{\nu}$$

$$\frac{W}{m} = \int \frac{RT}{\nu} d\nu = RT \ln(\frac{\nu_2}{\nu}) = RT \ln(\frac{P_1}{P_2})$$

(ii) Q-W=DE; SE=0 since ST=0

System).

(c)
$$\Delta X = X_1 - X_2 = M(u_1 - v_2) + P_a(v_1 - v_2) - T_a(s_1 - s_2)$$

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Q1(c) cont'd

$$\Delta X = M_{2}^{2}P_{\alpha}(v_{1}-v_{2}) - T_{\alpha}(s_{1}-s_{2})$$

$$\Delta X = P_{\alpha}(v_{1}-v_{2}) - MRT_{\alpha}\ln(v_{1}/v_{2})$$

$$P_{\alpha}v_{1}^{2}b : -7.7696 \times 10^{5}$$

$$10^{5}(0.c_{\alpha})(1-400) = 9.33 \times 10^{2}$$

$$\Delta X = -7.7603 \times 10^{5} = X_{1}-X_{2}.$$
So ΔX is negative $\Rightarrow X_{2} \times X_{1}$ so exergy is increased. Any increased.

(ii) Max work out = $X_{2}-X_{1} = 7.760 \times 10^{5}$

$$Z = Same as Win - W_{unolon} \int_{P_{\alpha}} dW.$$

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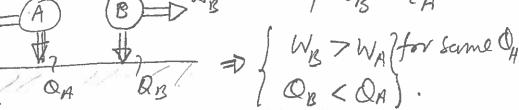
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1/1/750
$$V = W$$
, By 1st Law!
 $V = Q_{H} - Q_{c} = 3$.

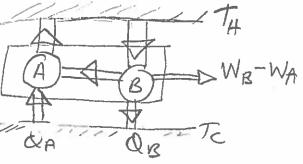
$$2\pi = 2/2$$
 $2c = 1 - \frac{T_c}{T_H} = 1 - \frac{350}{750}$

Enos. Not understanding of W = 4.8 MJ. Ans

BDWB Say 1877A



Reverse (A): For compoun denie, reservon



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Q 2 (4). Smie W_B > W_A by hypotheris there what Wout, and net Qm

Qin = OA - QB from Te

.. squalent to

Te Te

Which molates

Kelven Planck statement: Impossible. * Few good solutions. Many just appealed to n=ne, togething this is a corollary.

02 (c)

A

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For systems A + B, regime SA + SB = STOTEL.

But 52 Total = 52A × 52B by simple

Combinatories

Now ln (SZAXSZB) = ln SZA + ln SZB While is consistent with

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$$Q = 50 + 2(502.5 + 351.8) - 4(301.5)$$

Common enos: Sign wrong in Wx term.

Using Cv and not Cp in enthalpy

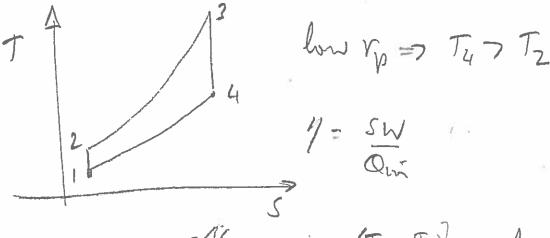
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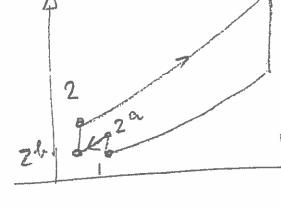
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=)
$$\gamma = 96(T_3 - T_4) - (T_2 - T_1)$$

Sp (T3-T2)



11) Part compress to 2ª

- (2) God to 24
- (3) Firish compression to

A Common enos:

- (1) Drawing T-S chagram for an aero enfine, not for ground-based propulsion (including myslet inlet).
- (2) Only < 50) could sketch intercooling cycle.

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Q4. Mixed Results. ~ 50% fairly good to V. good. (i) Skeady How every equation: ho = court.

Po, To

CpT, + & V, = CpTo

· V2= 2 Cp (To - T2) = 2Cp To (1-T2/6)

Isentropic => Tz = (Pz) 5-1/8;

Cp-Cv=R, Cp6=7=> Cp= &cv

=> Cv(r-1) = R => Cv = R

= Cp= TR

- 12 = 2 TR To /1-(P2/p) -187 Am

(iB) 1/2 max = JZBR To, When P2->0.

* Common errors: Not reading and missing part B.

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Q4(ii)

Isentropic relation
Pop = [1+7-1 M2] 1/8-1

Churhed =) M = 1 at throat = > 10 = (1+1)

tor aux = 1.893.

* This part key eary but many forgst.

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Reasonable attempts though many did not succeed with

(i) For solar panel, reguse 6

Consider worst case => furthest distance

aphelion = 5.45 AU.

Os = Solar flux | r=R_J = Solar flux | r=R_o (Re) =

=> Os = 1 (5.45) 2. Qe = 1300 = 43.8 W/m2.

Welectured = 0.2 Ps = 8.75 W/m2.

=> area = 50 = 5.71 m² (4 × 0.5 × 3) For RTC.
\$ Enos: not taking worst case 5.45 Au.

(ii) For RTG,

Every per down 5.5 MeV = 5.5 × 10 × 1.6 × 10 = 8.8×10-13 J.

Activity - 600 GBq = 600 × 10 9 clocays/s/gm Energy/gm = 600×10 ×8.8×10 = 0.528 W/g CRTG = 528W/kg.

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But We decays in proportion to radioisotope activity. Mission end = to + 18 years. N(t) = No e-At

When N= No/2 => e - 7 = 2 => 2 ty = ln Z 20)= ln2.

Here 7 = ln2/88 = 7.877×10-3 Hence N(18) = No e -7.877(18) = 0.868 No

=7 We(18) = 36.6 W/kg.

So Man reguried = 50 = 1-365 kg.

\$ < 25% succeeded in this part.

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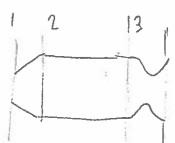
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Marks

Question B1



* Mitahes: Confunito Po ambient

Avenue 6

Below average performance.

$$P_{70} = P_0 \left(1 + \frac{7}{2} (3)^2 \right)^{3.5} = 36.7 P_0$$

$$T_{T3} = 2000 \, \text{K} = T_3$$

$$C_p T_4 + 2 V_4 = C_p T_3 \, \text{i} \, T_4 = T_3 \cdot (P_4/P_3) \, \text{i} \, \text{k}$$

$$T_4 = 2000 \left(\frac{1}{33.06}\right)^{\frac{3}{3}}$$

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In this case
$$f = 299.3 \times 3 \times \left[\frac{2000}{624.4} - 1 \right]$$

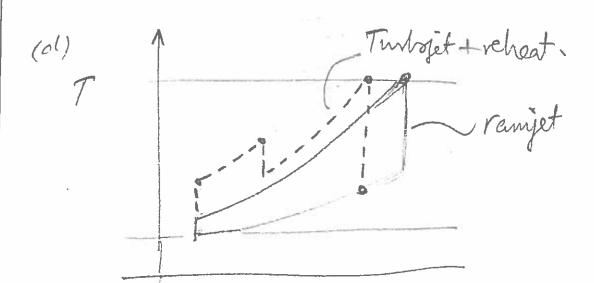
 $\Rightarrow \frac{m_{+}}{m_{-}} \simeq C_{p}(T_{74} - T_{70}) = C_{p}T_{70}[C_{4} - 1]$

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Question B1 cont'd

Impulse



last part well attempted

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Part B Question 2 cont'd.

$$T=?$$
 $\frac{1}{2}$ $T=350K$
 $P_{2}=20$ $P_{3}=1$

Temperature ratio across the shock:

$$\frac{T_{2}}{T_{1}} = \frac{P_{2}}{P_{1}} \frac{S_{1}}{S_{2}} = \frac{[2 + M^{2} - 8 - 1] \cdot [(8 + 1) M^{2}]}{8 + 1} \cdot \frac{[(8 + 1) M^{2}]}{2 + (8 - 1) M^{2}}$$

Smice P2/p = 20 = D Mshock = 4.16

Toz = Tz + 2 Vz, ab. * Notes: < 20% correctly calculated

V2, ab = Vs - Vrel. . V2, rel = V5/4.65 = 310.5 => 1/2, ds = 1444 - 310.5 = 1133.5 m/s

[Compare Toz in a frame mornowth shoch; Here Toz = T2 + Vrel /2Gp = 1338 K.]

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=> h=fcVdTs measure Is and compute de A (TE-TS)

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Overtion 132

When model heats appreciably, 9, 16

Non-negligible. Best to try to reduce

if usuff low & coating on sphere and

try to match. Only a problem for very

mall models since of R h (Tg-T).

of SCR

* Most tathed about sheelding thermocouple and unssed to point completely.