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Faculty of Engineering  
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ME3CO09 Energy Conversion -I  
Programme: B.Tech. Branch/Specialisation: Mechanical

**Duration: 3 Hrs.****Maximum Marks: 60**

Note: All questions are compulsory. Internal choices, if any, are indicated. Answers of Q.1 (MCQs) should be written in full instead of only a, b, c, or d. Use of Steam Table is permitted in the examination hall.

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|-----|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Q.1 | i.   | Which one of these is a once through boiler?                                | 1 |
|     |      | (a) Cochran Boiler (b) Subcritical Boiler                                   |   |
|     |      | (c) Supercritical boiler (d) Either (b) or (c)                              |   |
|     | ii.  | A pressure cooker can be considered as a boiler if-                         | 1 |
|     |      | (a) Pressure above 1atm (b) Volume above 22.7 L                             |   |
|     |      | (c) Either (a) or (b) (d) Both (a) and (b)                                  |   |
|     | iii. | Thermal cycle with maximum efficiency for steam power plants.               | 1 |
|     |      | (a) Carnot Cycle (b) Brayton cycle                                          |   |
|     |      | (c) Rankine Cycle (d) Both (a) and (b)                                      |   |
|     | iv.  | Steam expansion in the turbine is a-                                        | 1 |
|     |      | (a) Adiabatic process (b) Isentropic Process                                |   |
|     |      | (c) Reversible Adiabatic process (d) Both (b) and (c)                       |   |
|     | v.   | In a high-level jet condenser, condenser shell is installed at a height of- | 1 |
|     |      | (a) More than 5.5 m (b) More than 10.33 m                                   |   |
|     |      | (c) Less than 10.33 m (d) None of these                                     |   |
|     | vi.  | Air leakage into the condenser reduces-                                     | 1 |
|     |      | (a) Turbine output (b) Cooling capacity                                     |   |
|     |      | (c) Life of condenser (d) All of these                                      |   |
|     | vii. | For Isothermal compression in a compressor, the compressor should run at-   | 1 |
|     |      | (a) Very high-speed (b) Very slow speed                                     |   |
|     |      | (c) Constant speed (d) None of these                                        |   |

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- viii. Usually, the index of actual compression is- **1**  
 (a) Near to 1 (b) 1.3 to 1.4 (c) 1.1 to 1.3 (d) 1.4 to 1.6
- ix. Flow of fluid is transonic when- **1**  
 (a)  $M > 1$  (b)  $M = 1$  (c)  $M < 1$  (d)  $0.8 < M < 1.2$
- x. For supersaturated flow in the nozzle, the discharge is- **1**  
 (a) Increases (b) Decreases  
 (c) Remains constant (d) None of these
- Q.2 i. Define equivalent evaporation and factor of evaporation with formula indicating proper notations. **4**  
 ii. A boiler uses 16 kg of air per kg of fuel, when the fuel consumption is at the rate of 1800 kg/h. Actual draught required is 20mm of Water when all losses are considered. The surrounding air temperature is  $27^{\circ}\text{C}$  and the flue-gas temperature is  $277^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Determine the chimney height and its diameter if actual velocity of the flue gases is 0.35 times the theoretical velocity due to roughness of interior surfaces of the chimney. **6**
- OR iii. Calculate the equivalent evaporation from and at  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ , for a boiler, which receives water at  $60^{\circ}\text{C}$  and produces steam at 1.5 MPa and  $300^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The steam generation rate is 16000 kg/h. Coal is burnt at the rate of 1800 kg/h. The calorific value of coal is 34750 kJ/kg. Also calculate the thermal efficiency of the boiler. **6**  
 If the thermal efficiency of the boiler increases by 5% due to use of an economiser, find the saving in coal consumption per hour.
- Q.3 i. Compare Carnot cycle with Rankine cycle. Any two significant points. **2**  
 ii. A steam power plant operates on a theoretical reheat cycle. The steam from boiler at 150 bar and  $550^{\circ}\text{C}$  expands through high pressure turbine. It is reheated at constant pressure of 40 bar to  $550^{\circ}\text{C}$  and expands through the low-pressure turbine to a condenser pressure of 0.1 bar. Draw T-s and h-s diagrams and find **8**  
 (a) Quality of steam at turbine exhaust  
 (b) Thermal efficiency of the cycle  
 (c) Steam rate in kg/kWh

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- OR iii. Steam enters the turbine at 3 MPa,  $350^{\circ}\text{C}$  and is condensed in the condenser at a pressure of 75 kPa. Draw T-s diagram and determine thermal efficiency of steam power plant, back work ratio, work ratio and specific steam consumption in Kg/kWh. **8**
- Q.4 i. With the help of block diagram discuss the functioning of condenser and cooling tower. **4**  
 ii. With neat sketch and levelling explain types of jet condensers. **6**
- OR iii. Following data refers to the test of surface condenser of a steam turbine. Absolute pressure of steam entering condenser is 5.628 kPa, temperature of condensate leaving the condenser is  $32^{\circ}\text{C}$ , inlet and outlet temperature of cooling water is  $15^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$  respectively with mass of cooling water per kg of steam is 32 kg. Assuming that all the heat lost by the exhaust steam is taken up by the circulating water, determine the dryness fraction of the steam as it enters the condenser. **6**
- Q.5 i. Classify compressors with the help of tree structure. **4**  
 ii. Derive expression for Indicated work for a single acting reciprocating compressor without clearance. **6**
- OR iii. A single acting, single cylinder reciprocating air compressor is compressing 20 kg/min. of air from 110 kPa,  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$  to 600 kPa and delivers it to a receiver. Law of compression  $PV^{1.25} = \text{constant}$ . Mechanical efficiency is 80%. **6**  
 Find the power input to compressor, neglecting losses due to clearance, leakages, and cooling.
- Q.6 Attempt any two: **5**  
 i. Describe mach number and mach cone. **5**  
 ii. Derive the expression for discharge through an isentropic steam nozzle. **5**  
 iii. Discuss the significance of critical pressure ratio for a steam nozzle. **5**

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**Marking Scheme**  
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		(c) Supercritical boiler			
	ii.	A pressure cooker can be considered as a boiler if-		<b>1</b>	
		(b) Volume above 22.7 L			
	iii.	Thermal cycle with maximum efficiency for steam power plants.		<b>1</b>	
		(c) Rankine Cycle			
	iv.	Steam expansion in the turbine is a-		<b>1</b>	
		(d) Both (b) and (c)			
	v.	In a high-level jet condenser, condenser shell is installed at a height of-		<b>1</b>	
		(b) More than 10.33 m			
Q.2	vi.	Air leakage into the condenser reduces-		<b>1</b>	
		(d) All of these			
	vii.	For Isothermal compression in a compressor, the compressor should run at-		<b>1</b>	
		(b) Very slow speed			
	viii.	Usually, the index of actual compression is-		<b>1</b>	
		(c) 1.1 to 1.3			
	ix.	Flow of fluid is transonic when-		<b>1</b>	
		(d) $0.8 > M > 1.2$			
	x.	For supersaturated flow in the nozzle, the discharge is-		<b>1</b>	
		(a) Increases			
Q.3	i.	Definition with formula of equivalent evaporation	2 marks	<b>4</b>	
		Definition with formula of factor of evaporation	2 marks		
	ii.	Determine the chimney height and its diameter		<b>6</b>	
		Height of Chimney H=40.43 m	3 marks		
		Diameter D=1.375 m	3 marks		
	OR	iii.		<b>6</b>	
		Calculate the equivalent evaporation			
		EE=10.1 kg/kg of fuel	2 marks		
		thermal efficiency of the boiler			
		Efficiency $\eta=71.31\%$	2 marks		
Q.4		Saving in coal consumption per hour			
		Coal Saving=118kg/h	2 marks		
	i.	Compare Carnot cycle with Rankine cycle		<b>2</b>	
		Any two points with diagram 1 mark for each	(1 mark * 2)		
	ii.	T-s and h-s diagrams 1 mark for each (1 mark * 2)	2 marks	<b>8</b>	
		(a) Quality of steam at turbine exhaust, $x=0.88$	2 marks		
		(b) Thermal efficiency of the cycle, $\eta=43.8\%$	2 marks		
		(c) Steam rate, $ssc=2.19$ kg/kWh	2 marks		
	OR	iii.		<b>8</b>	
		Thermal efficiency of steam power plant $\eta=26\%$	2 marks		
Q.5		Back work ratio, $r_{bw}=0.0042$	2 marks		
		Work ratio, $r_w =0.995$			
		Specific steam consumption in Kg/kWh, $SSC=5.06$	2 marks		
	i.	Block diagram	2 marks	<b>4</b>	
		Functioning of condenser	1 mark		
		Functioning of cooling tower	1 mark		
	ii.	Types of jet condensers		<b>6</b>	
		Low-level	2 marks		
		High-level	2 marks		
		Ejector condenser	2 marks		
Q.6	OR	iii.		<b>6</b>	
		Heat balance equation/statement	2 marks		
		Calculation and Dryness fraction $x=0.826$	4 marks		
	i.	Compressors with the help of tree structure.		<b>4</b>	
	ii.	Indicated work for a single acting reciprocating compressor without clearance.		<b>6</b>	
		P-V diagram	2 marks		
		Equations and Derivation	4 marks		
	OR	iii.		<b>6</b>	
		Find the power input to compressor, neglecting losses due to clearance, leakages, and cooling.			
		Indicated Power=58.55 kW	3 marks		
Q.7		Power input BP=73.18 kW	3 marks		
	Attempt any two:				
	i.	Describe mach number	2 marks	<b>5</b>	
		mach cone Definition	2 marks		
		Diagram	1 mark		
	ii.	Derivation for discharge through an isentropic steam nozzle		<b>5</b>	
		As per explanation			
	iii.	Significance of critical pressure ratio for a steam nozzle		<b>5</b>	
		Graph	2 marks		
		Discussion	3 marks		

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