



End Term (Even) Semester Examination May-June 2025

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Name of the Program and semester: B. Tech ME IV Sem

Name of the Course: Additive Manufacturing

Course Code: TME 411

Time: 3 hour

Maximum Marks: 100

Note:

- (i) All the questions are compulsory.
- (ii) Answer any two sub questions from a, b and c in each main question.
- (iii) Total marks for each question is 20 (twenty).
- (iv) Each sub-question carries 10 marks.

Q1. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. Describe the role of powder characteristics (such as particle size and flowability) in the performance of sintering and melting-based AM processes. [CO1]
- b. How has 3D printing contributed to the concept of distributed manufacturing and on-demand production? [CO2]
- c. What are some notable applications of 3D printing in fields such as healthcare, aerospace, and automotive industries? Support your answer with suitable examples. [CO2]

Q2. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. Compare and contrast STL, OBJ, and STEP file formats in terms of their suitability for rapid prototyping. [CO3]
- b. What are the advantages and limitations of using STL files for 3D printing? [CO3]
- c. What are the key challenges and applications of micro- and nano-additive manufacturing technologies? [CO4]

Q3. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. How does reverse engineering support the additive manufacturing workflow, especially in legacy part reproduction? [CO4]
- b. What are the common types of defects in AM processes, and how can in-situ monitoring techniques help in their detection and control? [CO5]
- c. Discuss how additive manufacturing can be integrated into traditional manufacturing workflows to improve efficiency and customization. [CO5]

Q4. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. Differentiate between rapid prototyping and rapid tooling in AM. Provide examples of each and their typical use cases. [CO3]
- b. What are the key criteria to consider when selecting an additive manufacturing (AM) technology for a specific application? [CO3]
- c. Discuss the role of build orientation and layer thickness in optimizing AM process planning. [CO4]

Q5. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. How do material type and part geometry influence the selection of AM technologies? [CO3]
- b. Explain how buoyancy-driven flow occurs in a melt pool and its impact on part microstructure. [CO4]
- c. Describe a case study where simulation of temperature and fluid flow was critical in optimizing process parameters in additive manufacturing. [CO6]



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Note For the question paper setters:

- Question paper should cover all the COs of the course.
- Please specify COs against each question.