

III B. Tech I Semester Regular/Supplementary Examinations, December -2023
THERMAL ENGINEERING - II
(Mechanical Engineering)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

Answer any **FIVE** Questions **ONE** Question from **Each unit**
All Questions Carry Equal Marks

UNIT-I

1. a) What are the various properties of fuel? Explain in detail. [7M]
 - b) Explain the following boilers with their merits and applications: [7M]
(i) Cornish boiler (ii) Lancashire boiler
- (OR)
2. a) What is adiabatic flame temperature? How flame temperature can be calculated? [7M]
 - b) A power generating plant uses steam as working fluid and operates at boiler pressure of 50 bar, dry saturated and a condenser pressure of 0.1 bar. Calculate the following: i) The cycle efficiency; ii) The work ratio and specific steam consumption of Rankine cycle. Take pumping work also into account. [7M]

UNIT-II

3. a) What are the various methods of reducing wheel or rotor speed in steam turbines? [7M]
 - b) A convergent-divergent nozzle is required to discharge 5 kg of steam per second. The nozzle is supplied with steam at 10 bar and 200°C and the discharge takes place against a back pressure of 0.34 bar. Estimate the throat and exit areas. Assume isentropic flow and take the index $n=1.3$. If the nozzle efficiency is assumed to be 85%, determine the exit area. [7M]
- (OR)
4. a) Derive expression for critical pressure ratio for steam flow through nozzle. [7M]
 - b) A steam turbine develops 180 kW, with a consumption of 16 kg/kWh. The pressure and the temperature of the steam entering the nozzle are 11 bar and 200°C. The steam leaves the nozzle at 1 bar. The diameter of the nozzle at the throat is 6.5 mm. Find the number of nozzles. If 7% of the total enthalpy drop is lost in friction in diverging part of the nozzle and exit velocity of the leaving steam. [7M]

UNIT-III

5. a) Show that reaction turbine blades are identical with each other for 50% reaction. [7M]
 - b) During a trial on a steam condenser, the following observations were recorded. [7M]
Condenser vacuum 680 mm Hg, barometer reading 764 mm Hg, mean temperature 36.2°C, hot well temperature 36°C, condensate formed per hour 1780 kg, circulating water inlet temperature 20°C, circulating cooling water outlet temperature 32°C and quantity of cooling water 1250 kg/min. calculate (i) mass of air present per kg of condensed steam (ii) condition of steam as it enters the condenser (iii) vacuum efficiency.
- (OR)
6. a) The following data related to a stage of reaction turbine: mean rotor diameter 1.5 m, speed ratio 0.72, blade outlet angle 20° and rotor speed 3000 rpm. Determine: [7M]
(i) the diagram efficiency, (ii) the percentage increase in diagram efficiency and rotor speed if the rotor is designed to run at best theoretical speed, the exit angle being 20°.
 - b) Explain the effects of air leakage in a steam condenser. [7M]



UNIT-IV

7. a) Differentiate the Rotary and Reciprocating compressors. [7M]
b) Explain the significance of positive displacement compressor used to compress the air. [7M]

(OR)

8. a) Write a note on: [7M]
i) Isothermal efficiency of reciprocating compressor
ii) Volumetric efficiency of reciprocating compressor
iii) Effect of clearance volume of reciprocating compressor
b) Differentiate between positive displacement type compressors and dynamic compressors. [7M]

UNIT-V

9. a) Differentiate between centrifugal compressor and axial flow compressor. [7M]
b) An axial flow compressor with compression ratio as 5, draws air at 20°C delivers it at 50°C . Assuming 50% degree of reaction, find the velocity of flow if the blade velocity is 100 m/s. Also find the number of stages if work factor = 0.85, $\alpha = 10^{\circ}$, $\beta = 40^{\circ}$ and $C_p = 1.005 \text{ kJ/kg K}$. [7M]
- (OR)
10. a) Define the term slip factor and power input factor with respect to the centrifugal compressor. Explain them. [7M]
b) What is the role of impeller in the centrifugal compressor? Explain. [7M]



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UNIT-I

1. a) In a Rankine cycle, the steam at inlet to turbine is saturated at a pressure of 35 bar and exhaust pressure is 0.2bar. Determine (i) Network output (ii) Rankine efficiency (iii) Dryness at the end of expansion, assume flow rate is 9.5 kg/s. [7M]
 b) Define chimney efficiency and derive an expression for the same. [7M]
 (OR)
2. a) Explain the construction and working of a "Babcock and Wilcox" boiler [7M]
 b) Derive an expression for maximum discharge through the chimney for a given Height of chimney. [7M]

UNIT-II

3. a) What do you mean by compounding of steam turbines? List out various methods and discuss at least one method with neat sketch. [7M]
 b) A convergent divergent nozzle is to be designed in which steam initially at 14 bar and 80⁰ C of superheat is to be expanded down to a backpressure of 1.05 bar. Determine the necessary throat and exit diameter of the nozzle for steam discharge of 500 kg/hr, assuming that the expansion is in thermal equilibrium throughout and friction reheat amounting to 12% of total isentropic enthalpy drop to be effective in the divergent part of the nozzle. [7M]
 (OR)
4. a) Explain the functions of the convergent portion, the throat and the divergent portion of a convergent-divergent nozzle with reference to flow of steam. [7M]
 b) The following data related to a stage of reaction turbine: mean rotor diameter 1.5 m, speed ratio 0.72, blade outlet angle 20⁰ and rotor speed 3000 rpm. Determine: (i) the diagram efficiency, (ii) the percentage increase in diagram efficiency and rotor speed if the rotor is designed to run at best theoretical speed, the exit angle being 20⁰. [7M]

UNIT-III

5. a) What is the fundamental difference between the operation of impulse and reaction turbines? Explain the same with neat sketches. [7M]
 b) The vacuum at the bottom of a surface condenser is 65.4 cm of mercury (barometer 75.7 cm), the temperature at the air pump suction is 36.2⁰C. If the rate of air leakage into the condenser is 1 kg per 1000 kg of steam, estimate the mass of air and vapour removed by the air pump per minute when the engine consumption is 136000 kg of steam/hr. [7M]
 (OR)
6. a) Derive an expression for maximum efficiency of reaction turbine. [7M]
 b) Distinguish between jet condensers and surface condensers. [7M]

UNIT-IV

7. a) Discuss about the classification of compressors. [7M]
 b) With the help of neat sketches explain a roots air blower. How its PV diagram is different from a reciprocating air compressor [7M]

(OR)

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8. a) Derive the expression for the volumetric efficiency of a reciprocating air compressor in terms of clearance ratio, pressure ratio and index of the compression. [7M]
- b) A single stage single acting reciprocating air compressor running at 900 rpm delivers air at 12 bar. The induction and free air conditions can be taken as 1 bar and 300 K and the free air delivery as $0.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{min}$. Calculate the bore and stroke, the volumetric efficiency, the indicated power and the isothermal efficiency. Assume the index of compression and expansion is 1.3. [7M]

UNIT-V

9. a) Explain and neat sketch of centrifugal compressor in detail. [7M]
- b) Write down the mechanical details and principles of axial flow compressors. [7M]
- (OR)
10. a) Explain, with a neat sketch the working of an axial flow compressor. [7M]
- b) What are different losses occurring in the centrifugal compressor due to different blade shapes? Explain. [7M]



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UNIT-I

1. a) With neat sketch explain the methods to improving the performance of Rankine cycle? [7M]
b) Explain working principle of boilers and classify various types of boilers? [7M]
(OR)
2. a) What is the Draught? Write down the difference between Induced and forced draught? [7M]
b) In a regenerative cycle the inlet conditions are 40 bar and 400°C. Steam is bled at 10 bar in regenerative heating. The exit pressure is 0.9 bar. Neglecting pump work, determine the efficiency of the cycle. [7M]

UNIT-II

3. a) What are the effects of super saturated flow? [7M]
b) Steam from nozzle enters into a single stage impulse turbine at 350 m/s absolute velocity. The nozzle angle=25°. The blade rotor mean diameter is 100cm and rotating at a speed of 2000 rpm. Find the blade angles if the axial thrust is zero. Find the power developed when the steam flow rate is 500 kg/min. Take blade velocity coefficient=0.9. [7M]
(OR)
4. a) What are the methods to reduce rotor speed in De-laval turbine and explain [7M]
b) Write a short note on [7M]
I. Power developed
II. Effect of friction and
III. Blade efficiency of Impulse turbine

UNIT-III

5. a) Draw the velocity diagram of a reaction turbine and derive the expression for the degree of reaction on the blade. [7M]
b) Enlist the various steam condensers and explain any two of them? [7M]
(OR)
6. a) What is working principle of steam condenser and what are the requirements of steam condensing plant. [7M]
b) Explain the conditions for maximum efficiency in Parson's reaction turbine. [7M]

UNIT-IV

7. a) What are the differences between positive and non-positive displacement types? [7M]
b) Classify compressor and write their advantages and disadvantages. [7M]
(OR)
8. a) Explain working principle of reciprocating compressor. [7M]
b) Explain efficiency considerations for Lysholm compressor. [7M]

UNIT-V

9. a) Explain the working of centrifugal compressor and their function. [7M]
b) Explain velocity diagrams with neat sketch for centrifugal compressor. [7M]
(OR)
10. a) Explain mechanical details of axial flow compressor. [7M]
b) What is work done factor, isentropic efficiency and polytropic efficiency in axial flow compressor? [7M]

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UNIT-I

1. a) Give the comparison for Fire tube boiler and Water tube boiler. [7M]
 b) Steam is generated at 100000kg/hr from a boiler at 150 bar, 500°C with feed water supplied at 150°C. The fuel burnt in boiler has calorific value of 23000kJ/kg and boiler efficiency is 80%. Determine the rate of fuel burnt per hour and percentage of total heat absorbed in economizer [7M]
 (OR)
2. a) What is the function of steam generator? Enlist its basic components. [7M]
 b) What are the essentials of a good steam boiler? Estimate the factors which should be considered while selecting a boiler. [7M]

UNIT-II

3. a) Write the classification of steam turbines in detail. [7M]
 b) Steam initially dry and saturated is expanded in a nozzle from 15 bar at 350°C to 1.0 bar. If the frictional loss in the nozzle is 10 % of the total heat drop. Calculate the mass of steam discharged when exit diameter of the nozzle is 15 mm. [7M]
 (OR)
4. a) How does a steam turbine convert energy in steam to shaft work? And explain the effect of friction? [7M]
 b) What do you mean by compounding of steam turbine? Discuss various methods of compounding steam turbines. [7M]

UNIT-III

5. a) What are the effects of air leakage on the performance of a condenser? Explain [7M]
 b) Explain principle of operation of reaction turbine with neat sketch. [7M]
 (OR)
6. a) What are types of steam condenser? Explain briefly [7M]
 b) Discuss briefly about air leakage source and its affects and cooling water requirement of steam condenser. [7M]

UNIT-IV

7. a) Obtain the volumetric efficiency of multi stage reciprocating compressor with clearance volume. [7M]
 b) Explain the types of non-positive displacement compressors with neat sketches. [7M]
 (OR)
8. a) A double acting single cylinder reciprocating air compressor has a piston displacement of 0.02 cubic metre per revolution operates at 450 rpm and has a 5% clearance. The air is received at 1 bar and delivered at 6 bar. The compression and expansion are polytropic with $n=1.3$. Determine a) Volumetric efficiency b) Power required [7M]
 b) Compare the reciprocating compressor with rotary compressor. [7M]



UNIT-V

9. a) Describe the working of centrifugal compressor. [7M]
b) An axial flow compressor with compression ratio as 5, draws air at 20°C [7M]
delivers it at 60°C . Assuming 50% degree of reaction, find the velocity of flow
if the blade velocity is 150 m/s. Also find the number of stages if work factor =
 0.85 , $\alpha = 10^{\circ}$, $\beta = 40^{\circ}$ and $C_p = 1.005 \text{ kJ/kg K}$.
(OR)
10. a) An axial flow compressor of 50% reaction design has blades with inlet and [7M]
outlet angles of 45° and 10° respectively. The compressor is to produce a
pressure ratio of 6:1 with an overall isentropic efficiency of 0.9 when the air
inlet temperature is 40°C . The blade speed and axial velocity are constant
throughout the compressor. Assuming a value of 200m/s for the blade speed,
find the number of stages required when the work factor is unity
- b) What are different losses occurring in the centrifugal compressor due to [7M]
different blade shapes? Explain concept of slip factor?

