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APJ ABDUL KALAM TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY
THIRD SEMESTER B.TECH DEGREE EXAMINATION(S), MAY 2019

Course Code: ME207

Course Name: THERMAL ENGINEERING-I

Max. marks: 100 Use of steam tables and heat transfer data book permitted. Duration: 3 hours

PART A

Answer any three full questions, each carries 10marks.

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| 1 | a) Explain Kelvin Plank and Classius statements. | (5) |
| | b) Evaluate specific quantities of enthalpy and entropy of steam at 20bar when it is i) wet with dryness fraction 0.85 ii) with degree of superheat 50°C. | (5) |
| 2 | a) Derive an expression for thermal efficiency of Rankine cycle. | (5) |
| | b) In a steam power station, steam flows steadily through a 0.2m diameter pipeline from the boiler to the turbine. The specific values of enthalpy and volume of steam at boiler and turbine end conditions are 3213.6kJ/kg, 0.073m ³ /kg & 3202.6kJ/kg, 0.084m ³ /kg. There is a heat loss of 8.5kJ/kg from pipeline. Calculate steam flow rate. | (5) |
| 3 | a) What are the limitations of First Law of Thermodynamics? | (4) |
| | b) Make a schematic diagram of binary vapour cycle and obtain thermal efficiency of the cycle. | (6) |
| 4 | a) Combining first and second laws of Thermodynamics, obtain Tds equations. | (6) |
| | b) List the different types of surface condensers and explain any one of them. | (4) |

PART B

Answer any three full questions, each carries 10marks.

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| 5 | a) Explain working of Babcock & Wilcox boiler. | (6) |
| | b) Find the percentage saving in work done by a reciprocating compressor in two stages from 1bar to 7bar instead of one stage. Assume compression index as 1.35. The two stage compression process takes place with complete intercooling. | (4) |
| 6 | a) With a neat sketch, explain the working of a reciprocating compressor. | (5) |
| | b) In a thermal plant, steam is supplied at 30bar, 300°C and is expanded to 5bar in the turbine. It is reheated to the same temperature and expanded further to 0.05 bar. Find thermal efficiency of the cycle. | (5) |
| 7 | a) Differentiate between reciprocating and rotary compressor. | (4) |
| | b) Dry saturated steam at a pressure of 8bar enters a convergent divergent nozzle and leaves it at 1.5bar. If the flow is isentropic, find the ratio of cross-sectional area at exit and throat for maximum discharge. | (6) |
| 8 | a) What is meant by reheat factor in multistage turbines? | (4) |
| | b) A single acting reciprocating air compressor has cylinder diameter 200mm and length of stroke 300mm respectively. Air enters the compressor at 1bar, 27°C and delivers at 8bar. Estimate the work done and power developed if the compressor runs at 100rpm. Take $n = 1.25$. | (6) |

PART C

Answer any four full questions, each carries 10marks.

- 9 a) Describe the working of a closed cycle gas turbine power plant. (4)
- b) A furnace wall is made up of refractory bricks of 300mm thick. The inner and outer surfaces of the wall have temperatures 1000°C and 150°C. Find the heat loss per square metre per hour. The outside wall temperature becomes 50°C when it is covered with insulating bricks of 200mm thickness. The thermal conductivities of refractory and insulating bricks are 4.5W/mK and 0.5W/mK respectively. Find the reduction in heat loss. (6)
- 10 a) State and explain Fourier's heat conduction equation. (4)
- b) In a gas turbine plant, air enters at 1bar, 18°C and gets compressed to 4bar in a compressor with efficiency 80%. Temperature of air rises to 645°C in the combustion chamber. If the thermal efficiency of the plant is 19%, find the isentropic efficiency of turbine. Mass of fuel is neglected. (6)
- 11 a) State Kirchoff's Law. What is its significance? (4)
- b) A gas turbine plant consists of two stage compressor with perfect intercooler and a single stage turbine. If the plant works between 1bar, 300K and 16bar, 1000K, find the net power of the plant per kg of air. (6)
- 12 a) Find thermal efficiency of Brayton cycle in which a gas turbine plant works. (5)
- b) How will you calculate heat transfer rate in free and forced convection? What are the non dimensional numbers involved and explain their importance? (5)
- 13 a) List few advantages and disadvantages of gas turbine plants. (5)
- b) Water flows inside a tube of length 3m and diameter 5cm at a velocity 0.8m/s. The mean water temperature is 50°C and wall temperature 70°C. Determine heat transfer coefficient and heat transfer rate. (5)
- 14 a) Define the terms absorptivity, reflectivity and transmittivity. (3)
- b) Determine the efficiency of gas turbine plant with heat exchanger of effectiveness 75%. Gas enters at 290K and the maximum temperature in the cycle is 925K. Assume the turbine efficiency as 88% and compressor efficiency 85%. Find the efficiency of the plant without heat exchanger. (7)
