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APJ ABDUL KALAM TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

Fourth Semester B.Tech Degree (S,FE) Examination June 2022 (2015 scheme)

**Course Code: ME204****Course Name: THERMAL ENGINEERING**

Max. Marks: 100

Use of steam table is permitted.

Duration: 3 Hours

*Missing data if any, may be suitably assumed***PART A***Answer any three questions. Each question carries 10 marks.*

- 1 a) Draw a neat diagram of Benson Boiler. What are its special features? 5
- b) Explain with a neat sketch, the working of binary vapour cycle and represent it on T-s diagram. 5
- 2 a) With suitable sketches, differentiate impulse and reaction turbines based on: 5
 - (i) Blade shape and (ii) Blade efficiency vs velocity ratio plot
- b) Draw velocity triangles for an impulse turbine blading, where steam enters the blade without shock, and leaves the blade in axial direction. Derive the equation for blade efficiency. 5
- 3 a) The blade angles at inlet and discharge of a Parson reaction turbine are 35° and 20° respectively. The speed of rotation is 1500 rpm. At a particular stage, the mean ring diameter is 0.67 m and steam condition is at 1.5 bar, 0.97 dry. Estimate: 10
 - (i) Required height of blading to pass 3.6 kg/s of steam, (ii) power developed by the ring.
- 4 a) A steam power plant operates with a single reheat system. Steam from boiler at 150 bar, 550°C expands through the high pressure turbine. It is reheated at a constant pressure of 40 bar to 550°C and then expands through the low pressure turbine to 0.1 bar. With the help of h-s diagram, find (i) quality of quality of steam at turbine exhaust; (ii) cycle efficiency and (iii) specific steam consumption. State any assumptions if used. 10

PART B*Answer any three questions. Each question carries 10 marks*

- 5 a) Discuss the effect of variation of specific heat on power developed by an Otto cycle with neat sketches. 5

- b) Discuss the purpose of turbocharging with a neat sketch. 5
- 6 a) Define: (i) Mean Effective pressure, (ii) Volumetric efficiency and (iii) specific fuel consumption 5
- b) List out desirable characteristics for SI engine fuels. 5
- 7 a) An engine works on air standard diesel cycle, whose compression ratio is 14. The pressure and temperature at beginning of compression is 1 bar, 300 K respectively. The maximum temperature of the cycle is limited to 2500°C. Determine the thermal efficiency and mean effective pressure of the cycle. 10
- 8 a) Describe any method for experimental determination of the Indicated Power of a multi-cylinder engine with illustration. 10

PART C

Answer any four questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

- 9 a) List out any two biofuels and their characteristics. 5
- b) Write a short note on soot control methods for CI engines. 5
- 10 a) List the stages of combustion in CI engine and explain the events in each stage in detail with the support of pressure vs crank angle diagram. 10
- 11 a) Classify combustion chambers for CI engine. Explain various types of combustion chamber designs with suitable diagrams. 10
- 12 a) Explain with a neat sketch, the CAN-type combustion chamber of a gas turbine plant. Why air supply is staged in primary, secondary and tertiary forms employed in combustors? 5
- b) Explain the effect of intercooling on gas turbine plant output and efficiency. 5
- 13 a) Derive an expression for the optimum pressure ratio producing maximum net specific work output for an air standard Brayton cycle, when compression and expansion are non-isentropic. State all assumptions made 10
- 14 a) The pressure ratio of an open cycle constant pressure gas turbine plant is 6. The temperature range of the plant is 288 K and 1073 K. Take specific heat of air and gases are 1 kJ/kg K and 1.07 kJ/kg K respectively. Calorific value of fuel is 40 MJ/kg. Both compressor and turbine operates with isentropic efficiency of 92%. Determine: (i) thermal efficiency; (ii) indicated power of the plant for air flow rate of 5 kg/s and (iii) Air-fuel ratio. 10
