

Year: 3<sup>th</sup> year Department: *Mechanical Power* Subject: External Combustion System (*MPE314C*) Time Allowed: 3 hrs Date: 14/1/2016

Note: Assume any data required, state your assumption clearly. Answer all the following Questions Question (1) (25 Marks)

- (1.1) Define the followings: Adiabatic flame temperature, Excess air, power plant capacity factor, combustion efficiency, combustion tune up, air preheating factor and lower and higher heating values? [7 marks]
- (1.2) Describe the main boiler types and reasons for heat loss from the boiler? [4 marks]
- (1.3) Estimate the flame temperature by using the Energy balance of the combustion process? [5 marks]
- (1.4) Explain the main difference between, recuperators and regenerators? [4 marks]
- (1.5) A fuel contains 84 % Carbon and 16 % H<sub>2</sub> by mass, after burning it with air, the Orsat analysis of the flue gases gives: 10 % CO<sub>2</sub>, 1 % CO, and 5.35 % O<sub>2</sub>. Determine the percentage of excess air supplied and the mass of the flue gases per 1 kg<sub>fuel</sub>. [5 marks]

Question (2)

(25 Marks)

- (2.1) Describe the function of combustion control systems and its types, explain the circuits, advantages and disadvantages of **two** types only? [7 marks]
- (2.2) Discuss three main factors affecting on the combustion efficiency? [6 marks]
- (2.3) Discuss in detail the different modes for heat transfer in combustion zone from the flame to the surrounding wall? [6 marks]
- (2.4) A boiler power station has the following data. Fuel flow rate: 0.867 t/hr where the fuel is residual fuel oil. Exit flue temperature is 165 C and the actual A/F is 13.5937 kg/kg<sub>fuel</sub>. The ash content is 1% of fuel by weight. The flue gases contain 8% CO<sub>2</sub> and 10% H<sub>2</sub>O, pass through a cylindrical furnace with 0.6 m in diameter. The mean flue gas temperature is 800 C, the wall temperature is 500 C and the wall emissivity is 0.8. The pressure of the flue gases is 1 bar. Determine the rate of total heat transfer to the wall per 1 m<sup>2</sup> of the wall area. The combustion chamber is cooled by water of temperature 20 C and the wall thickness and thermal conductivity are 10 mm and 170 W/m.K, respectively. Take the values of absorptivities of CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O are 0.09 and 0.1, respectively. [6 marks]

## Question (3)

(17 Marks)

- (3.1) What are the different uses of gas turbines? [3 marks]
- (3.2) What are the different essential design criteria that any gas turbine must meet? [3 marks]
- (3.3) Define the availability and reliability of a gas turbine. [3 marks]
- (3.4) An open cycle gas turbine has a single stage compressor and a single stage expander incorporating a heat exchanger. The suction air temperature is 17°C and the pressure 1 bar. For an overall pressure ratio of 4.5 and shaft output of 4000 kW, the mass flow is 40 kg/s. If the thermal ratio of the heat exchanger is 0.6 and the isentropic efficiency of compressor is 0.84,

calculate the isentropic efficiency of the gas turbine for a plant thermal efficiency of 0.29. Take for air:  $\gamma = 1.4$ , cp=1.005 kJ/kg.K; for gas:  $\gamma = 1.365$ , cp=1.07 kJ/kg.K. [8 marks]

Question (4) (18 Marks) (4.1) Explain with drawing one modification to the standard Brayton Cycle to achieve maximum thermal efficiency of the cycle. [2 marks]

- (4.2)Explain with drawing the basic types of combustion chamber systems used in gas turbine engines. [2 marks]
- (4.3) What are the different requirements for a gas turbine engine combustion chamber system? [3 marks]
- (4.4) Explain with drawing the different types of propulsion engines. [4 marks]
- (4.5) A gas turbine unit receives air at 1 bar and 300 K and compresses it adiabatically to 6.2 bars. The compressor efficiency is 0.88. The fuel has a heating value of 44186 kJ/kg and the fuel-air ratio is 0.17 kg<sub>fuel</sub>/kg<sub>air</sub>. The turbine internal efficiency is 90%. Calculate the turbine work, the compressor work and the thermal efficiency. For air cp=1.005 kJ/kg.K,  $\gamma = 1.4$  and for products of combustion cp =1.147 kJ/kg.K,  $\gamma = 1.333$ . [7 marks]

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