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SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL AND MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

MED-PR 212: THERMODYNAMICS II

DATE: 31/5/2017

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer all questions in Section A and choose any other TWO in Section B

SECTION A

1. a) An engine works on the constant volume cycle. It has a bore of 80mm and a stroke of 85mm. the clearance volume of the bore of the engine is 0.06 litres. The actual thermal efficiency of the engine is 22%. Determine the relative efficiency of the engine. (Take $\gamma=1.4$) (10 marks)
- b) A gas engine is supplied with coal gas of the following composition: 53.6% H_2 ; 9% CO ; 25% ; CH_4 3% ; C_4H_2 ; 0.4% O_2 ; 3% CO_2 ; 6% N_2 . If the air fuel ratio is 6.5/1by volume, calculate the analysis of the dry products of combustion. It can be assumed that the stoichiometric air fuel ratio is less than 6.5/1 (10 marks)
- c) 0.3 kg of air at a pressure of 350 KN/m^2 and a temperature of 35°C respectively receives heat energy at constant volume until its pressure becomes 700 KN/m^2 . It then receives heat energy at constant pressure until its volume becomes 0.2289 m^3 . Determine the change of entropy during each process.
(Take $C_p = 1.006 kJ/Kg K$ and $C_v = 0.717 kJ/Kg K$) (10 marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

2. One kilogram of air is taken through a constant volume cycle. At the commencement of the adiabatic compression, the pressure and temperature are 103 kN/m^2 and 100°C respectively. The adiabatic compression has a volume ratio of 6:1. The maximum pressure of the cycle is 3.45 MN/m^2 . Determine, for the cycle;
- a) The pressure, volume and temperature at each of the cycle process change points. (9 marks)
 - b) The heat transferred to and rejected by the air. (5 marks)
 - c) The ideal thermal efficiency and work done (3 marks)
 - d) The mean effective pressure. (3 marks)
- (Take $R = 0.287 \text{ kJ/KgK}$, $\gamma = 1.4$)*
3. 4.5 kg of steam has an initial pressure of 3 MN/m^2 and temperature of 300° . The steam then expands reversibly to a new pressure of 0.1 MN/m^2 with a dryness fraction of 0.96. The expansion of the steam appears as a straight line when plotted on a temperature – entropy chart. Determine:
- a) The heat transfer during the expansion. (10 marks)
 - b) The work done during the expansion. (10 marks)
4. A four-cylinder stroke diesel engine has a compression ratio of 16:1, a bore of 180 mm and a stroke of 320mm. At a speed of 750 rev/min, the brake mean effectiveness pressure is 9.5 bar and the specific fuel consumption is 0.201 kg/kWh . The calorific value of the fuel is 44200 kJ/kg . the atmospheric conditions are 25°C and 0.98bar respectively. If the mechanical efficiency of the engine is 83%, determine the:
- a) Indicated power (7 marks)
 - b) Indicated thermal efficiency (7 marks)
 - c) Volumetric efficiency (6 marks)
- (Take $R = 287 \text{ J/KgK}$)*
5. The analysis of dry exhaust gas from a 4-stroke, 4-cylinder internal combustion engine gave the following result; 12% CO_2 , 2% CO , 4%, CH_4 , 1% H_2 , 4.5% O_2 and the remainder nitrogen. The engine has a bore of 180mm and a stroke of 380mm, with a compression ratio of 18:1. The specific fuel consumption and brake mean effective pressure at an engine speed of 780rpm are 0.2064 kg/kwh and 9.3 bar. The calorific value of fuel is 44.2 MJ/kg and air inlet conditions are 25°C and 1.7 bar. If the mechanical efficiency of the engine is 85%, determine the Ratio of carbon to hydrogen by mass in the fuel assuming it to be a pure hydrogen. (20 marks)