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MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER MAIN EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DEGREE OF B.SC MECHANICAL AND INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

COURSE CODE:

MIE 272

COURSE TITLE:

THERMODYNAMICS II

DURATION: 2 HOURS

DATE: 20-4-2022

TIME: 12.00-14.00 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

(i) Answer Question 1 (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions

(ii) All symbols have their usual meaning

(iii) Use steam tables provided

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QUESTION ONE (Compulsory) - 30 Marks

- a) Define the following terms:
 - (i) Stoichiometric combustion.

(2 Marks)

(ii) Ultimate analysis.

(2 Marks)

b) Use a P-V diagram to explain the processes in an Atkinson cycle

(5 Marks)

c) Define a heat engine

(3 Marks)

d) Define Work ratio

(2 Marks)

e) Briefly explain the following terms

(i) Impulse turbines

(3 Marks)

(ii) Impulse-Reaction turbines

(2 Marks)

- f) Explain the purpose of the following design developments on an ICE:
 - (i) Eco-fan.

(2 Marks)

(ii) Replaceable wet sleeves and cylinders.

(2 Marks)

(iii) Cross-flow aspiration.

(3 Marks)

(iv) Piston spray cooling.

(2 Marks)

(v) Turbo-chargers.

(2 Marks)

QUESTION TWO - 20 MARKS

a) Show from first principles that the indicated work of an air compressor is expressed as:

$$W = \left(\frac{n}{n-1}\right) mR(T_2 - T_1)$$

(8 Marks)

b) A single-acting single-cylinder air compressor running at 290 rpm takes 1m^3 of air per minute at a pressure of 1 bar and 18^{0}C . The compression process which takes place in a single stage follows the law pv^{1.32} = constant. Air is then delivered at a pressure of 8 bar.

Assuming negligible clearance volume, calculate:

(i) Indicated power

(6 Marks)

(ii) Isothermal efficiency

(6 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 Marks)

A sample of coal has elements with the following composition by mass: 88% C, 5% H_2 , 2.5% O_2 , 1% N_2 , 0.5% S, and 3% Ash.

a) Determine the stoichiometric A/F ratio for its combustion.

(10 Marks)

b) Find the actual A/F ratio if 25% excess air is supplied.

(2 Marks)

c) Do a volumetric analysis of combustion products in (b) on a dry basis.

(8 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR – 20 MARKS

A steam power plant operates on a Rankine cycle with reheat between a boiler pressure of 42bar and a condenser pressure of 0.035bar. The steam entering the turbine is initially superheated at 500°C. When the steam is expanded in the turbine to a pressure of 2.3bar, it is reheated to 500°C and thereafter allowed to expand to a pressure of 0.035bar.

Neglecting feed-pump work, calculate the:

a) Cycle efficiency

(15 Marks)

b) Work ratio

(2 Marks)

c) Specific steam consumption

(3 Marks)