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Fourth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2019/Jan.2020 **Turbomachines**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 80

Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing
ONE full question from each module.
2. Use of Thermodynamic data hand book is permitted.

Module-1

- 1 a. Define specific speed of a pump and turbine. Write the equations for the same in dimensionless form. (06 Marks)
 - b. A centrifugal pump delivers, m³/s against a pressure of 40m of water at 1200rpm. Calculate the dimensionless specific speed of the machine. Further, find the speed of rotation and power of the motor (prototype) for delivering 50% more discharge. Take the impeller diameter as 0.5m and overall efficiency of 33%. Assume (D₁ = D₂). (10 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. Derive an expression for Euler turbine equation in alternate form and explain each term with significance, involved in it. (06 Marks)
 - b. Define degree of reaction of a turbomachine. For an impulse type of turbine, why degree of reaction R is zero? Supplement your answer with the definition. (04 Marks)
 - c. An inward flow radial turbine has the following data: Power = 180kW; speed = 34000rpm, outer diameter of impeller = 0.20m; inner diameter of impeller = 0.08m; Absolute fluid inlet velocity = 293m/s (radial). The fluid enters the impeller axially. Determine the percentage of energy transfer due to change of radius. (06 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. With reference to a compression process, define: i) Stage efficiency ii) Overall efficiency.

 Represent the same on a T-S diagram. (08 Marks)
 - b. An air compressor has eight stages of equal pressure ratio 1.3. The flow rate and the overall efficiency are 45 kg/s and 80% respectively. For an inlet condition of 1 bar and 35°C, determine: i) State of air at compressor exit ii) Polytropic efficiency iii) Stage efficiency. (08 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. With the help of a T-S diagram define 'reheat' factor in a turbine. Why 'reheat factor' is greater than unity? Explain. (06 Marks)
 - b. In an expansion process in a turbine, isentropic expansion ($\gamma = 1.4$) is replaced by a polytropic expansion process (n = 1.2). Determine the polytropic efficiency for the expansion process. If the overall efficiency of turbine is 80% and the stage efficiency is 75%, what is the reheat factor? (06 Marks)
 - c. Define the following with reference to an expansion process:
 - i) Total-to-total efficiency
 - ii) Total-to-static efficiency.

(04 Marks)

2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg, 42+8=50, will be treated as malpractice. Important Note: 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.

Module-3

5 a. Define: i) Power input factor ii) Slip factor with reference to a centrifugal compressor.

Derive an equation for Euler work in terms of power input factor and slip factor, assuming a radial vaned impeller for no slip.

(08 Marks)

b. A centrifugal compressor has to deliver 30kg of air per second, the impeller is 70cm diameter revolving at 11000rpm with an adiabatic efficiency of 80%. If the pressure ratio is 4.2:1, calculate the probable axial width of the impeller at the impeller tip, if the radial velocity is 120m/s. The inlet conditions are 1 bar and 47°C. (08 Marks)

OR

6 a. With the help of a schematic diagram explain the working of an axial flow compressor.

(06 Marks)

b. An 8-stage axial flow compressor provides an overall pressure ratio of 6:1 with an overall isentropic efficiency of 89%, when the temperature of air at inlet is 19°C. The work is divided equally between stages. A 50% reaction is used with a mean blade speed of 190m/s and a constant axial velocity of 100m/s through the compressor. Assuming a work done factor of unity, estimate the power required and the blade angles. (10 Marks)

Module-4

a. Construct the velocity triangles for an axial flow turbine for the following conditions:

i) R = 0 ii) R = 0.5 iii) R = 1. Comment on how energy transfer takes place in each of the above cases.

(08 Marks)

b. At a 50% reaction stage axial flow turbine, the mean blade diameter is 60cm. The maximum utilization factor is 0.9. Steam flow rate is 10kg/s. Calculate the inlet and outlet absolute velocities and power developed if the speed is 2000rpm. (08 Marks)

OR

8 a. Define 'nozzle loss' and 'rotor loss' coefficients writing suitable expressions. (04 Marks)

b. In a multi stage Inward Flow Radial turbine (IFR), what are the aerodynamic losses occur in the stage. Discuss. (12 Marks)

Module-5

9 a. Define the following terms with relevant equations, with reference to a centrifugal pump: i) Hydraulic efficiency ii) Mechanical efficiency. (04 Marks)

b. What do you mean by Net Positive Suction Head (NPSH)?

(02 Marks)

c. A centrifugal pump having 120cm diameter pumps 1880 lps running at 200rpm. If the radial flow velocity is 2.5m/s, exit vane angle tangent to the impeller is 26°, determine the manometric efficiency and the minimum speed to start the pump against a head of 6m. The ID of impeller is 60cm. (10 Marks)

OR

10 a. Sketch and explain the working of a Kaplan turbine showing all vital components.

(06 Marks)

b. Two inward flow reaction turbines have same runner diameter of 60cm and same hydraulic efficiency. They work under the same head and have the same flow velocity of 6m/s. Runner B has an inlet vane angle of 110° and runs at 600rpm. The runner A has an inlet vane angle of 65°. For both turbines, discharge is radial at outlet. Determine speed of the runner A, and draw the velocity triangle for both runners. (10 Marks)

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