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Third Semester M.Tech. Degree Examination, Jan./Feb. 2021

Composite Materials

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. Briefly explain the classification of composites. (10 Marks)
b. List out the advantages and disadvantages of composites. (05 Marks)
c. Mention the applications of composites in i) Air craft industries ii) Space craft industries iii) Marine industries. (05 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. What are the functional requirements of matrix and reinforcement? (10 Marks)
b. Explain the effect of size, shape, distribution and volume fraction of reinforcement on the performance of composite. (10 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. Describe polymer matrices and ceramic matrices used in composites. What are their advantages and disadvantages? (10 Marks)
b. List out the different types of metallic matrices, why aluminium is used as matrix in most of metal matrix composites? Explain. (10 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. Explain the manufacturing process of glass fibre and carbon fibre. (10 Marks)
b. Briefly explain the different types of ceramic reinforcements used in composites. (10 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Explain how metal matrix composites are manufactured using solid state diffusion technique. State its advantages and disadvantages. (10 Marks)
b. Briefly explain the steps involved in hot isostatic pressing techniques of manufacturing of composites. (10 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. How ceramic matrix composites are produced using liquid metal infiltration technique? Explain. (10 Marks)
b. Describe the methods used for the manufacturing of Carbon-Carbon composites. (10 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. Explain the steps involved in prepeg technique of manufacturing of polymer matrix composites. (08 Marks)
b. Clearly explain the hand-lay-up process used in the manufacture of PMCs. Mention its advantages, disadvantages and applications. (12 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. What is filament winding? Explain with a neat sketch the processes involved in filament winding. Mention its advantages and disadvantages. (10 Marks)
- b. Write a note on: i) Compression molding ii) Injection moulding. (10 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. How do you determine failure of a composite using i) Maximum stress criteria ii) Maximum strain criteria. (10 Marks)
- b. Assume that one is applying a load of $\sigma_x = 2\text{MPa}$, $\sigma_y = -3\text{MPa}$, $\tau_{xy} = 4\text{MPa}$ to a 60° angle lamina of graphite/epoxy. Find the strength ratio using maximum stress failure theory. Given that $(\sigma_1^T)_{\text{ult}} = 1500\text{MPa}$, $(\sigma_1^C)_{\text{ult}} = 1500\text{MPa}$, $(\sigma_2^T)_{\text{ult}} = 40\text{MPa}$, $(\sigma_2^C)_{\text{ult}} = 246\text{MPa}$, $(\tau_{12})_{\text{ult}} = 68\text{MPa}$. (10 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. Write a note on ply discount truncated maximum strain criteria. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain the use of caplet plots in strength design of laminated composites. (10 Marks)

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