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COURSE NAME : INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE
COURSE CODE : BDE 40603
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EXAMINATION DATE : JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021
DURATION : 3 HOURS
INSTRUCTION : ANSWER FIVE (5) QUESTIONS ONLY. THIS IS A CLOSED BOOK ASSESSMENT. SHOW CLEARLY ALL CALCULATIONS AND ASSUMPTIONS INVOLVED. SUBMIT YOUR SOLUTIONS AS INSTRUCTED VIA THE ONLINE LEARNING MEDIUM.

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Q1 (a) Define the meaning of exhaust back-pressure and elaborate how it can affect the performance of an internal combustion engine.

(4 marks)

(b) A spark-ignition (S.I.) engine working on ideal Otto cycle has the compression ratio (CR) of 6:1. The initial pressure and temperature of the incoming air are 1.013 bar and 37°C. The maximum pressure in the cycle is 30 bar. Assume $\gamma = 1.4$ and $R = 8.314 \text{ kJ/kmol}\cdot\text{K}$. For a given unit mass flow, calculate:

- i. the values of p , V and T at various salient points of the cycle; and
- ii. the ratio of heat supplied to the heat rejected.

(16 marks) ✓

Q2 (a) Spark ignition (S.I.) engines produce high amount of carbon monoxide (CO) and unburned hydrocarbon (HC) emissions during operation. Explain the causes for those emissions and suggest the steps to suppress the emissions generation during the combustion process.

(8 marks)

(b) Compression ignition (C.I.) engine operation can be approximated by the ideal Air-Standard Diesel Cycle.

- i. Justify the assumptions of isentropic compression stroke and the constant-pressure heat addition process used for this idealised cycle;
- ii. Sketch this ideal Air-Standard Diesel Cycle on a P - V diagram; and
- iii. Derive the expression for Diesel Cycle thermal efficiency, based on its temperature values of T_1 , T_2 , T_3 and T_4 .

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Q3 (a) Referring to the exhaust gas aftertreatment process for a compression ignition (C.I.) engines: describe the functions of the oxidation catalyst and the selective catalytic reduction (SCR) systems in reducing the emissions that comprised from nitrogen-based compounds.

(6 marks)

(b) In an engine working on the diesel cycle the ratio of the weights of air and fuel supplied is 50:1. The temperature of air at the beginning of the compression is 60°C and the compression ratio used is 14:1. If the fuel combusted has a calorific value of 43,000 kJ/kg, using relevant assumptions, determine the cut-off ratio and the ideal efficiency of the engine.

(14 marks) ✓

Q4 A V6 research engine with capacity of 3000cc operates on a 4-stroke cycle at 3600 RPM. The compression ratio is 9.49 and the length of the connecting rods is 17.1 cm. Its bore is equivalent with the stroke. At the given engine speed, the combustion terminates at 20°C after-top-dead-centre (aTDC). Calculate:

- i. the cylinder bore and stroke length;
- ii. average piston speed;
- iii. the clearance volume of each cylinder; and
- iv. piston speed at the end of combustion.

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- Q5** A five-cylinder, four-stroke cycle S.I. engine has a compression ratio $r_c=11:1$, bore=5.52 cm, stroke=5.72 cm, and connecting rod length=11.00 cm. Cylinder inlet conditions are 63°C and 92 kPa. The intake valve closes at 41° after-bottom-dead-centre (aBDC) and the spark plug is fired at 1.5° before-bottom-dead-centre (bTDC). Calculate:
- temperature (K) and pressure (kPa) in the cylinder at ignition, assuming Otto cycle analysis (i.e., assume the intake valve closes at BDC and ignition is at TDC);
 - effective compression ratio (i.e. actual compression of the air-fuel mixture before ignition); and
 - actual temperature (K) and pressure (kPa) in the cylinder at ignition.

(20 marks)

- Q6** During a combustion process inside a compression ignition (C.I.) engine, the flame front stops before it reached the walls of the combustion chamber. Consider the unburned boundary layer as a volume of 0.1 mm thick along the entire combustion chamber surface, with the piston having a 3.0 cm hemisphere bowl in its face. Calculate the percentage of fuel that does not get burned due to being trapped in the surface boundary layer. Explain also qualitatively, how this event affects the characteristics of the combustion by-products. Provide your assumptions and justifications.

(20 marks) ✓

END OF QUESTIONS

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The distance between the crank axis and wrist pin axis or piston position is given by, s:

$$s = a \cos \theta + \sqrt{r^2 - a^2 \sin^2 \theta}$$

Where a = crankshaft offset, r = connecting rod length and θ = crank angle, measured from the centerline and it is zero when the piston is at TDC

For an engine with N_c cylinders, displacement volume, V_d :

$$V_d = V_{BDC} - V_{TDC} \qquad V_d = N_c \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) B^2 S$$

Where B = cylinder bore, S = stroke, $S = 2a$

Compression ratio, r_c is defined as: $r_c = \frac{V_{BDC}}{V_{TDC}}$

The cylinder volume at any crank angle is given by: $V = V_c + \left(\frac{\pi B^2}{4} \right) (r + a - s)$

Where V_c = clearance volume

Brake work of one revolution, W_b : $W_b = 2\pi T$; $W_b = \frac{V_d (bmep)}{n}$

Where T = engine torque, bmep = brake mean effective pressure, n = number of revolutions per cycle

Mean effective pressure: $mep = \frac{\dot{W}}{V_d N}$

Engine torque, T, for 2-stroke and 4-stroke cycles:

$$T_{2-stroke} = \frac{V_d (bmep)}{2\pi} \qquad T_{4-stroke} = \frac{V_d (bmep)}{4\pi}$$

Engine power,

$$\dot{W} = \frac{WN}{n} \qquad \dot{W} = 2nNT \qquad N - \text{engine speed}$$

Specific fuel consumption $sfc = \frac{\dot{m}_f}{\dot{W}}$

Instantaneous volume, V at any crank angle, θ :

$$\frac{V}{V_c} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} (r_c - 1) \left[R + 1 - \cos \theta - \sqrt{R^2 - \sin^2 \theta} \right]$$

V_c = clearance volume, $R = r/a$,

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Volumetric efficiency,

$$\eta_v = \frac{m_a}{\rho_a V_d}$$

$$\eta_v = \frac{n \dot{m}_a}{\rho_a V_d N}$$

where

m_a = mass of air into the engine for one cycle

\dot{m}_a = steady state flow of air into the engine

ρ_a = air density evaluated at atmospheric conditions

V_d = displacement volume

N = engine speed

n = number of revolutions per cycle

$$\rho_{air} = 1.181 \frac{kg}{m^3}$$

For a generator, power output is the product of voltage and current.

Average piston speed is $U_p = 2SN$

The ratio of instantaneous piston speed divided by the average piston speed is:

$$\frac{U_p}{\bar{U}_p} = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) \sin \theta \left[1 + \left(\frac{\cos \theta}{\sqrt{R^2 - \sin^2 \theta}} \right) \right]$$

where

$$R = r/a$$

Compound/Element	Molecular weight	Compound/Element	Molecular weight
Air	28.966	Nitric Oxide, NO	30.006
Carbon Dioxide, CO ₂	44.01	Nitrogen, N ₂	28.0134
Carbon Monoxide, CO	28.011	Nitrous Oxide, N ₂ O	44.0133
Isooctane, C ₈ H ₁₈	114.23	Nitrogen dioxide, NO ₂	46.0065
Methane, CH ₄	16.04	Oxygen, O ₂	31.9998
Hydrogen, H ₂	2.016	Water Vapor - Steam, H ₂ O	18.02
Gasoline, C ₈ H ₁₅	111.00	Light diesel, C _{12.3} H _{22.2}	170.00
		Heavy diesel, C _{14.6} H _{24.8}	200.00

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