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FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL
ENGINEERING (BSME)

EMG 2208 : MECHANICS OF MACHINES I

TIME: 2 HOURS

SERIES: MARCH, 2014

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. You are required to have the following for these examinations:
 - Answer Booklet
 - Scientific Calculator
 - Drawing Instrument
2. This paper has **FIVE** Questions.
3. Answer **ANY THREE** Questions.
4. All Questions carry Equal marks.
5. This paper consists of **THREE Printed pages.**

Q.1 In the mechanism shown in Figure Q1, the crank AB 75mm long and rotates uniformly clockwise at 8rad/s. Given that BD=DC=DE and BC = 300mm. Draw the velocity and acceleration diagrams. State the velocity and the acceleration of the pistons.

(20 marks)

Q.2 (a) For power screw raising a load w, show that the torque T is given by:

$$T = \frac{wd}{2} \frac{\tan \alpha + \mu}{1 - \mu \tan \alpha}$$

Where: d = the mean thread diameter
 α = helix angle of the thread
 μ = coefficient of friction

(8 marks)

Q.3 (a) For a flat belt pulley system show that the power transmitted is given by:

$$Power = (T_1 - T_c) \left(1 - \frac{1}{e^{\mu\theta}} \right) V$$

Where: T_c = Centrifugal tension
 T_1 = Tension on the light side
 μ = Coefficient of friction
 Θ = Angle of lap
 V = The linear velocity of the belt

(10 marks)

(b) A belt drive consists of a V-belt working on a grooved pulley, with an angle of lap of 160° . The cross-sectional area of the belt is 650mm^2 , the groove is 30° and $\mu = 0.15$. The density of the belt material is 1.2Mg/m^3 and its maximum safe stress is 8MN/m^2 of cross-section. Determine the power that can be transmitted at a belt speed of 25m/s .

angle

(10 marks)

Q.4 (a) With the aid of sketches explain the following gear trains:

- (i) Reverted compound gear train
- (ii) Epicyclic gear train

(6 marks)

(b) Figure Q4(b) shows an epicyclic gear train in which the wheel D is held stationary by the shaft A and the arm B is rotated at 200rev/min . The wheels E and F are fixed together and rotate freely on the pin carried by the arm. The wheel G is rigidly attached to the shaft C.

G is

The numbers of teeth are as follows $E = 20$, $F = 40$, and $G = 30$. If the gearing transmits 7.5kW determine:

- (i) Speed of shaft C, stating the direction of rotation relative to that of B.
- (ii) The torque transmitted that will be required to hold shaft A stationary if all frictional losses are neglected.

(14 marks)

Q.5 (a) A horizontal engine has a cylinder diameter 100mm and a stroke of 140mm. The connecting rod has a length of 250mm and the crankshaft rotates at 30 rev/s. The reciprocating parts have a mass of 1.2kg. When the crank is at 20° from the inner dead centre and the net pressure on the piston is 0.8MPa determine:

- (i) The resultant load on the gudgeon pin
- (ii) The thrust on the cylinder wall

(10 marks)

(b) A vertical engine has a cylinder of diameter 260mm and a stroke of 450mm. The connecting rod has a length 900mm and the crankshaft rotates at 6rev/s. If the reciprocating parts have a mass of 180kg, what is the crankshaft torque when the crank is at 45° from the inner dead centre and the net pressure on the piston is 1mPa?

(10 marks)