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**M.TECH**  
**P2SUCC10**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Regular Examination 2016-17**  
**COMPOSITE STRUCTURES**

**BRANCH: GEOTECHNICAL ENGG, SOIL MECHANICS, SOIL MECHANICS &  
FOUNDATION ENGG, STRUCTURAL & FOUNDATION ENGG, STRUCTURAL ENGG,  
TRANSPORTATION ENGG,**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Max Marks: 100**

**Q.CODE: Z959**

**Answer Question No.1 which is compulsory and any FOUR from the rest.  
The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.**

- Q1** Answer the following questions: *Short answer type* (2 x 10)
- a) Distinguish the analysis between the conventional materials and the composite materials.
  - b) Distinguish between the properties, *homogeneity* and *heterogeneity*.
  - c) Classify types of materials based on number of independent elastic constants.
  - d) Distinguish between lamina and laminate.
  - e) What are the various types of stresses which are induced at any point in a composite laminate subjected to external loading?
  - f) As per rule of mixture, write the formula to calculate the longitudinal modulus of a composite lamina.
  - g) State various types of fibers and matrices used in the preparation of composite laminates.
  - h) What do you mean by transversely isotropic material?
  - i) Give an example of an angle-ply *balanced laminate*.
  - j) Write all the terms of the transformation matrix  $[T]$  in matrix form.
- Q2** a) For a specially orthotropic lamina, develop the stress strain relationship in the principal material direction in form of compliance matrix. (10)
- b) For a FRP composite of unidirectional lamina with fibre orientation of 45 degree, calculate the compliance matrix, stiffness matrix and transformed reduced stiffness matrix if  $E_{11} = 135$  GPa,  $E_{22} = 8.5$  GPa,  $G_{12} = 7.2$  GPa, and  $\nu_{12} = 0.3$ . (10)
- Q3** a) Develop the transformation matrix  $T$  wrt strain when transformed from principal material axis, 1-2 to the reference axis X-Y. (10)
- b) For a unidirectional lamina, if the reduced stiffness matrix is given by (10)
- $$\begin{bmatrix} 180.0 & 2.90 & 0 \\ 2.90 & 10.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 7.0 \end{bmatrix}$$
- determine the four material properties of the lamina.

- Q4** a) State the basic assumptions in the analysis of laminated composites. (8)  
b) Derive the formula to calculate the stress resultants of a composite laminate as a function of layerwise stiffness matrix. (12)
- Q5** a) Prove that, all the terms of the bending-extension coupling stiffness matrix are zero for a symmetric laminate. (10)  
b) Compute the A matrix for a three layered laminate, [45/30/45] laminate if  $E_1 = 130$  GPa,  $E_2 = 10$  GPa,  $E_6 = 5$  GPa,  $\nu_{12} = 0.3$  and thickness of each layer is 0.5 mm. (10)
- Q6** Derive the Navier's solution for finding deflection at centre of a rectangular orthotropic laminate subjected to uniformly distributed loading with all edges simply supported. (20)
- Q7** Write short notes on the followings. (5x4)  
a) Applications of composites  
b) Characteristics of *special orthotropic materials*.  
c) Shear coupling coefficients  
d) Transformed reduced stiffness matrix