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**M.TECH**  
**CEPE203**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sem Regular / Back Examination – 2015-16**  
**COMPOSITE STRUCTURES**  
**Q.CODE:W776**  
**Time: 3 Hours**  
**Max marks: 70**

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

- Q1 Answer the following questions: (2 x 10)
- Can concrete and mortar be termed as composite materials? Explain.
  - What do you mean by *particulate composite*?
  - In *ceramic matrix composite* category, state specific type of fibres and matrix used.
  - Distinguish between *thermo plastic* and *thermoset*.
  - Give an example of a *regular angle-ply laminate*.
  - State, whether the total no of plies in an antisymmetric laminate is an odd no or even no.
  - Draw the stress distribution diagram along the thickness of a symmetric angle ply laminate under flexure.
  - What do you mean by stacking sequence? Give one example.
  - State three applications of composite materials in different service sectors.
  - In a composite material, define the following elastic modulus values.  $E_{11}$ ,  $E_{22}$ ,  $G_{12}$ ,  $G_{23}$ .
- Q2 Define *weight fraction* and *volume fraction* for matrix and for fibre. In micromechanical analysis, derive the formula for the inplane shear modulus of a composite as a function of the corresponding shear modulus of fibre and the matrix. (3+7)
- Q3 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  $E_{11} = 130$  GPa,  $E_{22} = 8$  GPa,  $G_{12} = 7.0$  GPa, and  $\nu_{12} = 0.32$ . (10)
- Q4 Explain the difference between *principal material axis system* and *reference axis system* with neat sketches for each one. Why is it required for transformation of stresses and strains from one axis system to another? Derive the *transformation matrix*,  $T$  wrt stress when transformed from principal material axis, 1-2 to the reference axis x-y. (2+2+6)
- Q5 For a 0/90/0 symmetric laminate subjected to  $N_x = 120$  MPa-mm thrust, calculate the resultant stresses along the reference axis for each lamina.  $E_1 = 135$  GPa,  $E_2 = 10$  GPa,  $E_6 = 5$  GPa, thickness of each layer is 0.1 mm,  $\nu_{12} = 0.3$ . (10)

Q6 Calculate the A and B matrix for a three layered [0/45/0] laminate if  $E_1 = 125$  GPa,  $E_2 = 8$  GPa,  $E_6 = 5$  GPa,  $\nu_{12} = 0.35$  and total thickness of the laminate is 1.5 mm. (10)

Q7 Derive Navier's solution for finding deflection at centre of a square orthotropic laminate with all edges simply supported. (10)

Q8 Write short notes on any two: (5 x 2)

- a) Assumptions in micromechanical analysis of composites
- b) Mathematical constant and engineering constant
- c) Isotropy and anisotropy
- d) Coupling effects