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CEPE203

2nd Semester M Tech Regular /Back Examination – 2014-15
COMPOSITE STRUCTURES
BRANCH(S): STRUCTURAL AND FOUNDATION ENGINEERING

Time: 3 Hours

Max. marks: 70

Q.CODE: T280

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 briefly. (2 x 10)
- a) Distinguish between the properties, *homogeneity* and *isotropy*.
 - b) State the aircraft and space applications of composites.
 - c) What do you mean by a *specialty orthotropic lamina* ?
 - d) Classify various types of materials based on number of independent elastic constants.
 - e) What do you mean by hybrid composites? Give an example.
 - f) Distinguish between *micromechanics* and *macromechanics*.
 - g) What is the role of transformation matrix $[T]$ in composite mechanics?
 - h) State the formula for *transverse modulus* of a composite as per *rule of mixture*.
 - i) Distinguish between *symmetric* and *antisymmetric* laminates.
 - j) What do you mean by the term, *stacking sequence*?
- Q2 a) In composite mechanics, prove that, $[T^{-1}] = [T(-\theta)]$. (6)
- b) Explain if the laws of stress and strain transformation are independent of material properties. (4)
- Q3 a) Derive the mathematical equations for *stress- strain* and *strain- stress* relationship for a *specialty orthotropic material*. (6)
- b) What are the important observations in the above relationship? (4)
- Q4 For a FRP composite of unidirectional lamina with fibre orientation of 30 degree, calculate the *compliance matrix*, *stiffness matrix* and *transformed reduced stiffness matrix* if $E_{11} = 130$ GPa, $E_{22} = 8$ GPa, $G_{12} = 7$ GPa, and $\nu_{12} = 0.3$. (10)
- Q5 For a 90/0/90 laminate subjected to thrust $N_x = 150$ MPa-mm, find the resultant stresses along the reference axis for each lamina. $E_1 = 125$ GPa, $E_2 = 10$ GPa, $E_6 = 8$ GPa, thickness of each layer is 0.5 mm, $\nu_{12} = 0.3$. (10)
- Q6 (a) Calculate the A and D matrix for a three layered [45/0/45] laminate if $E_1 = 125$ GPa, $E_2 = 9$ GPa, $E_6 = 6$ GPa, $\nu_{12} = 0.32$ and total thickness of the laminate is 1.5 mm. (5)
- (b) Find the *bending-extension coupling stiffness matrix* for a symmetric laminate of 3 layers. (5)
- Q7 a) State the assumptions of Classical Laminated Plate Theory. (4)
- b) Develop the moment equilibrium equations for laminated plates. (6)
- Q8 Write short notes on any **two** of the followings. (5 x 2)
- a) thermoplastic and thermoset
 - b) reduced stiffness matrix
 - c) bending-extension coupling stiffness matrix
 - d) shear coupling coefficients