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B.Tech-8th(M & M)
Composite Materials

Full Marks : 70

Time : 3 hours

Answer six questions including
Q.No.1 which is compulsory

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Symbols carry usual meaning

1. Answer all questions : 2 × 10

- (a) Define matrix and reinforcement.
- (b) Mention at least two disadvantages of a composite material over its matrix and reinforcement.
- (c) What is rule of mixture ? What properties of a composite can be calculated using it ?

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- (d) What is a whisker ? Mention its characteristics features.
- (e) Schematically draw particulate, fiber and laminated composites and specify different constituents.
- (f) What is a nanocomposite ? Mention few of its advantages over other composites.
- (g) What do you mean by green composites ? Give few examples of green composites.
- (h) How the interface affects the strength of a composite ?
- (i) What is pultrusion process ?
- (j) What is CFRP ?
2. (a) What is a composite ? Mention its advantages over the matrix material. 5
- (b) Discuss classification of composite materials. Give examples and applications of each class of composites. 5

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3. (a) Briefly discuss the effect of matrix (polymer, ceramic and metal) on the properties of composite. 5

(b) Briefly discuss the size and shape of reinforcement on the properties of the composite. 5

4. (a) Derive the 'Rule of Mixture' to predict the elastic modulus for a continuous fiber composite loaded (i) parallel and (ii) perpendicular to fiber alignment. 5

(b) An unidirectional Kevlar 49 fiber-epoxy composite contains 60% by volume of Kevlar and 40 % epoxy resin. The density of Kevlar 49 fiber is 1.48 Mg/m^3 and that of epoxy resin is 1.20 Mg/m^3 . Calculate

Scrap glue
 $WT\%_K = 64\%$
 $WT\%_E = 35\%$
 $Scrap = 1.368$

(i) The weight percentage of Kevlar 49 and that of epoxy resin in the composite.

(ii) The average density of the composite. 5

5. (a) What is interfacial reaction in composites ? Briefly discuss the factors that affect the interfacial reaction. 5

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(V-1) (b) Briefly discuss the tensile behavior of continuous and discontinuous fiber composites. 5

6. (a) Briefly discuss at least two methods for the preparation of polymer matrix composite. 5

(b) Briefly discuss at least two methods for the preparation of metal matrix nanocomposite. 5

7. (a) Discuss the effect of particulate reinforcement on the creep behaviour of a metal matrix composite. 5

(b) Briefly explain various fractures modes in fiber reinforced composites. 5

8. Write short notes on any two : 5 x 2

(i) Ceramic matrix composites

(ii) Reinforcement mechanism

(iii) Composite fracture

(iv) Environmental effects on composites.