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B.E. / B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, MAY 2024

Sixth Semester

AE18604 – VEHICLE DESIGN DATA CHARACTERISTICS*(Automobile Engineering)***(Regulation 2018/2018A)****TIME: 3 HOURS****MAX. MARKS: 100**

COURSE OUTCOMES	STATEMENT	RBT LEVEL
CO 1	Examine the assumptions in basic design of vehicle and discuss the effect of design and operating variables on performance and emission.	3
CO 2	Examine and compare the various resistances acting on the vehicle.	3
CO 3	Investigate the performance characteristics of internal combustion engines.	4
CO 4	Solve velocity and acceleration of piston against crank angle and examine the performance characteristic of forces and moments acting on the piston.	3
CO 5	Use the basic principles to design the gearbox of the vehicle.	4

PART- A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

(Answer all Questions)

	CO	RBT LEVEL
1. How dry weight of a vehicle is determined and why is it crucial for shipping and transporting via large trucks?	1	3
2. Identify any two design considerations of a vehicle.	1	2
3. How the weight of the vehicle influences the gradient resistance?	2	2
4. With the help of suitable illustration, how will you determine the vehicle speed at maximum acceleration for a small passenger car?	2	2
5. Compare the under square and over square engine.	3	3
6. Interpret how the variation in stroke length influences the power output.	3	2
7. Illustrate the turning moment diagram for a typical single cylinder four stroke engine.	4	2
8. Identify the significance of side thrust acting on the piston.	4	2
9. In what way automatic transmission system is advantageous over a manual transmission system.	5	3
10. Elucidate the importance of the over drive in a transmission system.	5	2

PART- B (5 x 14 = 70 Marks)

	Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
11. (a) Investigate the most influencing design and operating variables affecting	(14)	1	3

the performance of a compression ignition engine.

(OR)

- (b) (i) Discover and explain the method to measure the frictional power of a multi cylinder SI engine. (7) 1 3
- (ii) Determine the brake thermal efficiency, indicated thermal efficiency, mean effective pressure of cylinder and petrol consumption per kWh of a four stroke four cylinder inline engine with the following specifications. Bore = 101 mm, Stroke = 114 mm, Speed = 1600 rpm, Fuel consumption = 0.204 kg/mm, Heating value of the fuel = 41800 kJ /kg, Difference in tension on either side of brake pulley = 378 N, Brake circumference = 3.35 m and mechanical efficiency = 83 %.

12. (a) A fully loaded truck weighs 100111 N and the engine develops 97 kW at 2400 rpm. The transmission efficiency is 90% in top gear of 3.4:1 and 85% in third gear of 8.4:1. The performance of the vehicle is such that it will just reach a speed of 86.8 km/h at 2400 rpm at wide open throttle when running on the level in still air, and at the same engine speed in third gear it will just climb a gradient of 1 in 14. If the total resistance R in N is given by the formula.

$$R = KW + K_a AV^2 + W \sin \theta$$

Where K is Coefficient of Rolling resistance, K_a is Coefficient of Air resistance, A is m^2 of frontal area and V the speed in km/h.

calculate

- i) K, K_a and hence the engine power required for climbing a grade of 1 in 40 at 48 km/h in top gear.
- ii) How much more weight can be added to the vehicle to use the engine power fully under the above condition. Frontal area of truck is given as $5.575 m^2$.

(OR)

- (b) With the specification of a model car, calculate the rolling resistance, air resistance, total resistance and tractive force at any velocity. (14) 2 3

13. (a) It is assumed that an automobile engine can operate at a thermal efficiency of 22 % when operating conditions are as follows: (14) 3 4

Volumetric efficiency is 80%, Mechanical efficiency is 82 %, Heating value of petrol is 46400 kJ/kg, Theoretical air required per kg of petrol 14.5, Excess air supplied is 25 %, Petrol vapour has density twice the density of air, the mixture at the end of suction stroke is at a pressure of 8.24×10^4 N/m² and a temperature of 333 K, Gas constant for air is 287.14 kJ/kgK. Find the cylinder dimensions of a six cylinder engine for the above conditions when the engine develops its rated power of 66 kW at 4200 rpm. Assume that the stroke is 25 % greater than the diameter.

(OR)

- (b) With the help the pressure-volume diagram, determine the mean effective pressure of a four stroke petrol engine with a compression ratio 8:1 and the suction pressure 0.97 MPa. (14) 3 4

14. (a) With the suitable illustration identify the various forces acting on the piston and connecting rod and derive the expressions for the same. (14) 4 3

(OR)

- (b) The following details are given for the piston, during expansion stroke. (14) 4 3

Crank angle	0°	15°	30°	45°	60°	75°	90°	105°	120°	135°	150°	165°	180°
Gas pressure (kg/cm ²)	50.5	52.5	32.5	24.9	14.5	11.2	9.4	7.5	5.8	4.5	4	3.5	2.25

Find the gas force, inertia force and resultant force. Assume Bore area as 49cm² stroke length as 7.9 cm.

15. (a) Sketch a section through a sliding type gearbox with four forward and one reverse speeds and explain clearly how the different speed ratios will be obtained in the following cases: (14) 5 4

- Gear ratio on top gear = 1:1
- Gear ratio on third gear = 1:38:1
- Gear ratio on second gear = 2.24:1
- Gear ratio on first gear = 3.8:1
- Gear ratio on reverse gear = 3.8:1

Assume counter shaft or layout shaft speed is half that of the engine speed and the smallest gear is not to have less than 15 teeth.

(OR)

- (b)** How is the vehicle speed related to engine rotation? For typical motor car, **(14)** **5** **4**
the road resistance is given by 23 N per 1000 N, the air resistance by the
expression $0.0827 V^2$, transmission efficiency 88 % in top speed; car weight
20 kN when fully loaded. Calculate
- i) The brake power required for a top speed of 144 km/h (The
acceleration in m/s^2 at 48 km/h, assuming. the torque at 48 km/h, in
the top gear 25% more than at 144 km/h.
 - ii) The brake power required to drive the car up a gradient of 1 in 5 at
48 km/h, transmission Efficiency 80% in bottom gear. The
resistance being in N and V the speed in km/h and g = acceleration
due to gravity = $9.81 m/s^2$.

PART- C (1 x 10 = 10 Marks)

(Q.No.16 is compulsory)

	Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
16. How does the inclusion of a gearbox enhance automotive functionality? Summarize the methodology employed to derive gear ratios, particularly in the context of optimizing performance for compact vehicles.	(10)	5	4
