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

Sixth Semester

ME18002 – 3D PRINTING AND DESIGN*(Mechanical Engineering)***(Regulation 2018/2018A)****TIME: 3 HOURS****MAX. MARKS: 100**

- CO 1** Students will be able to understand the principles of AM, file conversion, and STL file structure.
- CO 2** Students will be able to understand various additive manufacturing (AM) processes and the process parameters and calculate the build time.
- CO 3** Students will be able to understand the various design requirements for Additive Manufacturing.
- CO 4** Students will be able to understand various post-processing methods in AM and select suitable property enhancement techniques.
- CO5** Students will be able to explain various applications of AM in various fields.

PART- A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

(Answer all Questions)

| | CO | RBT LEVEL |
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| 1. Justify the need for additive manufacturing technology. | 1 | 3 |
| 2. Why are laser chosen as a light source for AM? | 1 | 3 |
| 3. Explain why the parts made from LENS process are denser compared to parts made from SLS. | 2 | 2 |
| 4. What is photopolymerization? In which AM process this concept is used? | 2 | 2 |
| 5. Differentiate between low-end and high-end post-processing. | 3 | 3 |
| 6. What are the advantages of reducing the part count in a product? | 3 | 2 |
| 7. When do you use Abrasive flow machining process? | 4 | 2 |
| 8. Why is infiltration needed for AM parts? | 4 | 3 |
| 9. Differentiate between soft-tooling and hard-tooling. | 5 | 3 |
| 10. What is remanufacturing? | 5 | 2 |

PART- B (5 x 14 = 70 Marks)

| | Marks | CO | RBT LEVEL |
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| 11.(a) (i) What are the benefits of AM for various stakeholders? | (7) | 1 | 2 |
| (ii) Distinguish between CNC machines and additive manufacturing. | (7) | 1 | 3 |
| (OR) | | | |
| (b) (i) Explain the generic additive manufacturing process. | (7) | 1 | 2 |
| (ii) Explain how reverse engineering helps AM process. | (7) | 1 | 2 |

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| 12.(a) | (i) | Explain the FDM process with a neat sketch. | (7) | 2 | 2 |
| | (ii) | Various process parameters used in FDM process affect the build time, dimensional accuracy, and surface finish. Discuss on this. | (7) | 2 | 2 |
| (OR) | | | | | |
| (b) | (i) | Explain the LENS process with a simple and neat sketch. | (7) | 2 | 2 |
| | (ii) | Compare the parts made from SLS and LENS and decide which process is superior in terms of material properties and applications. | (7) | 2 | 2 |
| 13.(a) | (i) | Explain part orientation and removal of supports. | (7) | 3 | 2 |
| | (ii) | What do you understand by ‘Integrated Assemblies’? What are the advantages of integrated assemblies? Give an example. | (7) | 3 | 3 |
| (OR) | | | | | |
| (b) | (i) | Discuss the challenges the present Solid-Modeling CAD Systems are facing to meet the additive manufacturing’s requirements. | (7) | 3 | 2 |
| | (ii) | Discuss the following (i) Hollowing Out Parts and (ii) Interlocking Features with respect to design for additive manufacturing. | (7) | 3 | 2 |
| 14.(a) | (i) | Discuss on sharp edge contour machining and hole drilling. | (7) | 4 | 2 |
| | (ii) | Explain the machining strategies to be applied for finishing an AM part. | (7) | 4 | 2 |
| (OR) | | | | | |
| (b) | (i) | Discuss the various aspects of Surface Texture Improvement. | (7) | 4 | 2 |
| | (ii) | Discuss the technique of the metal spray process with a simple sketch. | (7) | 4 | 2 |
| 15.(a) | (i) | Explain the process of building medical models. | (7) | 5 | 2 |
| | (ii) | Describe in detail the various applications of AM models in Engineering Analysis. | (7) | 5 | 2 |
| (OR) | | | | | |
| (b) | (i) | Explain the powder metallurgy tooling process. | (7) | 5 | 2 |
| | (ii) | Write short notes on bi-metallic parts and remanufacturing. | (7) | 5 | 2 |

PART- C (1 x 10 = 10 Marks)

(Q.No.16 is compulsory)

| | | | Marks | CO | RBT LEVEL |
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| 16. | A component in the shape of a cuboid must be built using an SLA machine. The cross-section has a length of 400 mm and a width of 300 mm; the height of the cuboid is 300 mm. The layer thickness is 1 mm. The diameter of the laser is 10 mm. The scanning speed is 50 mm/s. Calculate the time taken to build the component. | (10) | 2 | 3 | 3 |
