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GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

BE - SEMESTER-VII (OLD) - EXAMINATION - SUMMER 2017

Subject Code: 170103

Subject Name: Mechanics of Composite Materials

Time: 02:30 PM to 05:00 PM

Total Marks: 70

Date: 04/05/2017

Instructions:

- 1. Attempt all questions.
- 2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
- 3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
- Q.1 (a) What do you understand by mechanical behavior of composite materials?
 (b) Explain strength and stiffness of composite materials and metals with 07 comparison.
- Q.2 (a) Explain a unidirectional lamina and a laminate. Draw the deformation pattern of unidirectional lamina with fibres oriented at 0 degrees and compare it with a unidirectional lamina having fibres oriented 45 degrees.
 - (b) What are the uses of composite materials? Mention their advantages and 07 disadvantages

OR

- (b) Define: Ply, Principal axis, Reference axis, In-plane stress, On-axis system, 07Orthotropic material, Transversely isotropic material.
- Q.3 (a) Derive strain-displacement relationship in detail and also explain the significance 07 of each term with a neat sketch
 - (b) Mention the range of E1, E2 and v12, normally found in uni-directional plies. 07 Plot the variation of Young's modulus, Shear modulus and Poisson's ratio w.r.t the orientation angle. "Give definite reasons" for this pattern of variation.

OR

- A uni-directional lamina is subjected to stresses as follows σ_1 =500 MPa, σ_2 =80 07 **Q.3 (a)** MPa and σ_6 =25 MPa. E= 100 kN/mm2 and v = 0.25. Determine reduced stiffness, reduced compliance matrix and the strain components. Write a note on constituents of fibre reinforced composite materials. 07 **(b)** 0.4 **(a)** Write a short note on symmetric and anti-symmetric laminates with example. 07 What are stress resultants? Explain the importance and use of stress resultants 07 **(b)** in laminates and also explain the stress and strain behavior across the laminates. OR Explain Maximum Stress theory 07 **Q.4 (a)** Describe coupling and the advantages-disadvantages of coupling. Also mention **(b)** 07 the applications of coupling. Write the types of local failure modes at micro-level. Explain longitudinal **Q.5** (a) 07 tension.
 - (b) Describe [A], [B] and [D] matrices and explain its importance 07

OR

- Q.5 (a) Describe a failure envelope and also explain different types of failure criteria.
 (b) Explain in detail volume and weight fractions and write a short note on derivation
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 - (b) Explain in detail volume and weight fractions and write a short note on derivation of transverse modulus
