

**B.Tech. – VIEP – MECHANICAL ENGINEERING  
(BTMEVI)**

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**Term-End Examination**

**December, 2017**

**BIME-002 : THERMAL ENGINEERING – I**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 70*

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*Note : Attempt any seven questions. All questions carry equal marks. Use of steam tables is permitted. Use of calculator is allowed.*

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1. (a) Why is excess air to be supplied in a C.I. engine ? Why is starting a diesel engine difficult in cold weather conditions ?  
(b) Distinguish between detonation and diesel knock. 5+5
2. What is the Joule-Thomson coefficient ? Why is it zero for an ideal gas ? 10
3. What is the effect of reheat on (a) the specific output, (b) the cycle efficiency, (c) steam rate, and (d) heat rate of a steam power plant ? 10

4. (a) What is a binary vapour cycle ?  
(b) What are topping and bottoming cycles ? 5+5
5. (a) What do you understand by choking in nozzle flows ?  
(b) Show that the discharge through a nozzle is maximum when there is a sonic condition at its throat. 5+5
6. Show that the efficiency of the Brayton cycle depends only on the pressure ratio. 10
7. (a) Explain the effects of (i) intercooling, and (ii) reheating on Brayton cycle.  
(b) With the help of flow and T-s diagram, explain the air standard cycle for a jet propulsion plant. 5+5
8. (a) What are the functions of boiler mountings ? Can a boiler work without mountings ?  
(b) How do boiler accessories differ from mountings ? 5+5
9. (a) Define a steam turbine and state its field of application. Enumerate the energy losses in steam turbines.  
(b) Explain the difference between an impulse turbine and a reaction turbine. 5+5

10. The air enters the compressor of an open cycle constant pressure gas turbine at 1 bar, 20°C. The pressure of air at the end of compression is 4 bar. The maximum temperature in the cycle is 700°C. If the air flow rate is 3 kg/s, determine the power developed and thermal efficiency.

( $C_p = 1 \text{ kJ/kg K}$ ,  $\gamma = 1.4$ )

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