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Ph.D. MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



Syllabus for Ph.D. Entrance Test

Mechanical Engineering

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The main streams of syllabi for Ph.D. Entrance Examination will be as under: ---

Section 1: Applied Mechanics and Design

Engineering Materials: Structure and properties correlation; engineering materials (metals, ceramics, polymers and composites) – properties and applications; stress-strain behavior of metals and alloys; iron-carbon phase diagram, heat treatment of metals and alloys, its influence on mechanical properties, stress-strain diagrams for engineering materials.

Engineering Mechanics: Equivalent force systems- Free-body diagrams and equilibrium; trusses and frames; virtual work; kinematics and dynamics of particles and of rigid bodies in plane motion; impulse and momentum (linear and angular) and energy formulations, collisions.

Mechanics of Materials: Stress and strain, elastic constants, Poisson's ratio; failure theories; Mohr's circle for plane stress and plane strain; thin cylinders; shear force and bending moment diagrams; bending and shear stresses; deflection of beams; torsion of circular shafts; Euler's theory of columns; energy methods; thermal stresses; strain gauges and rosettes; testing of materials with universal testing machine; testing of hardness and impact strength.

Theory of Machines: Displacement, velocity and acceleration analysis of plane mechanisms; dynamic analysis of linkages; cams; gears and gear trains; flywheels and governors; balancing of reciprocating and rotating masses; gyroscope. governors and fly wheels; design of bolted, riveted and welded joints; interference/shrink fit joints; design of shafts, keys, spur gears, belt drives, brakes and clutches; pressure vessels.

Vibrations: Free and forced vibration of single degree of freedom systems, effect of damping; vibration isolation; resonance; critical speeds of shafts.

Machine Design: Design for static and dynamic loading; failure theories; fatigue strength and the S-N diagram; principles of the design of machine elements such as bolted, riveted and welded joints; shafts, gears, rolling and sliding contact bearings, brakes and clutches, springs.

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Section 2: Fluid Mechanics and Thermal Sciences

Fluid Mechanics: Fluid properties; fluid statics, manometry, buoyancy, forces on submerged bodies, stability of floating bodies; control-volume analysis of mass, momentum and energy; fluid acceleration; differential equations of continuity and momentum; Bernoulli's equation; dimensional analysis; viscous flow of incompressible fluids, boundary layer, elementary turbulent flow, flow through pipes, head losses in pipes, bends and fittings.

Heat-Transfer: Modes of heat transfer; one dimensional heat conduction, resistance concept and electrical analogy, heat transfer through fins; unsteady heat conduction, lumped parameter system, Heisler's charts; thermal boundary layer, dimensionless parameters in free and forced convective heat transfer, heat transfer correlations for flow over flat plates and through pipes, effect of turbulence; heat exchanger performance, LMTD and NTU methods; radiative heat transfer, Stefan- Boltzmann law, Wien's displacement law, black and grey surfaces, view factors, radiation network analysis.

Thermodynamics: Thermodynamic systems and processes; properties of pure substances, behaviour of ideal and real gases; zeroth and first laws of thermodynamics, calculation of work and heat in various processes; second law of thermodynamics; thermodynamic property charts and tables, availability and irreversibility; thermodynamic relations.

Applied Thermal Engineering: Air and gas compressors; vapour and gas power cycles, concepts of regeneration and reheat. I.C. Engines: Air-standard Otto, Diesel and dual cycles. Refrigeration and air-conditioning: Vapour and gas refrigeration and heat pump cycles; properties of moist air, psychrometric chart, basic psychrometric processes. Turbomachinery: Impulse and reaction principles, velocity diagrams, Pelton-wheel, Francis and Kaplan turbines.

Section 3: Production Technology and Industrial Engineering:

Casting, Forming and Joining Processes: Different types of castings, design of patterns, allowances, moulds and cores; solidification and cooling; riser and gating design. Origin of defects. Plastic deformation and yield criteria; fundamentals of hot and cold working processes; load estimation for bulk (forging, rolling, extrusion, drawing) and sheet (shearing, deep drawing, bending) metal forming processes;

Polymers and Composites: Plastic processing – injection, compression and blow molding, extrusion, calendaring and thermoforming; molding of composites.

Powder processing: principles of powder metallurgy. Production of metal/ceramic powders, compaction and sintering of metals and ceramic powders.

Joining of materials: Principles of fusion welding processes (manual metal arc, MIG, TIG, plasma arc, submerged arc welding processes)–different heat sources (flame, arc, resistive, laser, electron beam), and heat transfer and associated losses, flux application, feeding of filler rod; Principles of solid state welding processes (friction, explosive welding, ultrasonic welding processes); Principles of adhesive, brazing and soldering processes; Design consideration in welding. Origins of welding defects.

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Machining and Machine Tool Operations: Basic machine tools like centre lathe, milling machine, and drilling machine – construction and kinematics; machining processes - turning, taper turning, thread cutting, drilling, boring, milling, gear cutting, thread production, grinding; chip formation, cutting forces, specific cutting energy and power requirements, Merchant's analysis; basis of selection of machining parameters; Mechanics of machining; basic machine tools; single and multi-point cutting tools, tool geometry and materials, tool life and wear; economics of machining; thermal aspects of machining, cutting fluids, machinability.

Advanced Manufacturing: Principles, applications, effect of process parameters on MRR and product quality of non-traditional machining processes – USM, AJM, WJM, AWJM, EDM and Wire cut EDM, LBM, EBM, PAM, CHM, ECM.

Computer Integrated Manufacturing: Basic concepts of CAD/CAM and their integration tools– geometric modeling, CAM – CNC and robotics – configurations, drives and controls, Group Technology and its applications – CAPP, cellular manufacturing and FMS.

Quality Control and Quality Assurance: Inspection and Quality control; Measurement and errors; Limits, fits and tolerances; linear and angular measurements; comparators; gauge design; interferometry; form and finish measurement; alignment and testing methods; tolerance analysis in manufacturing and assembly. Quality concepts; Process Control- Basic Statistics; Quality management: Quality – concept and costs; quality assurance; statistical quality control, Control Charts and its attributes, acceptance sampling, zero defects, six sigma; total quality management; ISO 9000. ISO-14000 series Environment Management standard. Reliability and Maintenance

Industrial Engineering: Product Design and Development, Work System Design (Time study and Work study), Facility Design (Plant layout; assembly line balancing and materials handling systems). Production Planning and Control, Inventory Control, Operations research and Operations management, Engineering Economy and Costing, Human Quality and Culture, Human Factor in quality