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UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM AND ENERGY STUDIES

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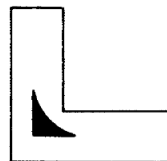
Time: 03 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

Instructions: Choice in Q 5&8. Internal choice in Q 9&10.

SECTION A – 20 marks

S. No.	Question	Marks	CO
Q 1	List two advantages and two limitations of powder metallurgy over other manufacturing processes.	5	
Q 2	Grinding and milling is one of the methods used for making metal powders, but these methods cannot produce uniform particle size or shape. Why?	5	
Q 3	With the help of a mathematical expression, define heat diffusivity of the mould material.	5	
Q 4	Why are chills used in a casting process? Figure below shows an L-section that is to be casted. Show the location where a chill would be placed to make a sound casting.	5	



SECTION B – 40 marks

Q 5	<p><u>Answer any TWO of the following:</u></p> <p>a) Calculate the casting modulus (considering the end-effect also) of a solid cylinder with diameter = 8 cm and length = 30 cm</p> <p>b) Write the mathematical expression for Chvorinov's Rule and draw a schematic graph between $\log(t)$ and $\log(M)$ where t is time required for solidification and M is casting modulus.</p> <p>c) Calculate the horizontal velocity with which the molten metal would enter the cavity given the sprue height is 10 cm. Ignore any friction between molten metal and mould walls.</p>	5+5	
Q 6	<p>a) Discuss the process used for manufacturing tungsten powder.</p> <p>b) Describe the process of creating tungsten carbide powder from the tungsten</p>	6+4	

	powder obtained from above process?		
Q 7	Describe the Metal Injection Moulding (MIM) process used for making powder metallurgy products.	10	
Q 8	Briefly describe any TWO of the following processes used for atomization of molten metal to create powders: Water atomization, Gas atomization, Vacuum atomization, Centrifugal atomization	5+5	
SECTION C – 40 marks			
Q 9	<p>a) Draw a schematic sintering diagram (Ashby’s diagram) and show regions corresponding to adhesion, grain boundary diffusion, surface diffusion and volume diffusion.</p> <p><u>Answer any TWO of the following:</u></p> <p>b) Briefly elaborate the various material transport mechanisms that are involved in sintering process.</p> <p>c) The driving force for sintering process is the reduction in free energy of the system. Which processes are responsible for this free energy reduction?</p> <p>d) Name the process and material variables that affect the sintering process.</p>	10	
Q 10	<p>a) Draw the schematic of grain structure obtained after casting of a binary alloy which exhibits constitutional supercooling. Assume the cavity shape to be a cube.</p> <p><u>Answer any TWO of the following:</u></p> <p>b) The figure below shows three different feeder head designs – cylindrical head, hemispherical head and cylindrical head (with exothermic sleeve). The volume of shrinkage cavity is given for each head as a percentage of total head volume – 14%, 20% and 67%. For a casting of dimensions 100 mm x 50 mm x 25 mm, calculate the minimum riser volume required for each head design. Assume specific shrinkage of the alloy as 4%.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>The diagram illustrates three different feeder head designs for a casting. Each design is shown in a cross-sectional view within a rectangular frame. The first design is a cylindrical head with a 14% shrinkage cavity. The second design is a hemispherical head with a 20% shrinkage cavity. The third design is a cylindrical head with an exothermic sleeve, indicated by diagonal hatching on the sides, with a 67% shrinkage cavity. The label 'Head design' is placed to the left of the first diagram.</p> </div>	4	8+8

c) A casting of dimensions $100 \text{ mm} \times 100 \text{ mm} \times 50 \text{ mm}$ is required. Assume volume shrinkage of casting as 2.6%. A cylindrical riser is to be used for this casting. If the height of the riser is 80 mm and the riser volume desired is 4 times the shrinkage in casting, calculate the minimum riser diameter required.

d) In a sand-casting operation, the total liquid head is maintained constant such that it is equal to the mould height. The time taken to fill the mould with a top gate is 5 minutes. Ignoring the time required to fill the runner and frictional effects, calculate the time required for filling the mould if a bottom gate is used.