

**Prince of Songkla University**  
**Faculty of Engineering**

**Midterm Examination**

**27 December 2011**

**215-665 ENERGY FROM BIOMASS AND CONVERSION**

**Semester 2/2552**

**Time 09:00-12:00**

**Room:**

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**Directions**

- Closed book examination
- All types of calculator are permitted.
- Attempt all 5 questions.
- The exam paper has 11 pages.

**Juntakan Taweekun**  
**Instructor**

<b>Problem</b>	<b>Marks</b>	<b>Your Marks</b>
1	12	
2	20	
3	20	
4	15	
5	20	
Total	87	

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**Question 1 (12 points)**

Explain the meaning of the following words

1.1 Fixed Carbon

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1.2 Volatile Matter

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1.3 Biogas

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1.4 Ultimate Analysis

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1.5 Bulk Density

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1.6 Gasification

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**Question 2 (20 points)**

The capacity of Boiler is 30 Tons/h. Calculate the energy in and energy out for this boiler (in unit of MJ/h). Also calculate the efficiency of boiler, draw the energy balance and sankey diagram. The followings are the parameters using for calculation.

Fuel

- Fiber fed to boiler is 6,000 kg/h.
- Low Heating Value of fiber (Fuel) 11,000 kJ/kg

Air

- The ambient temperature is 30 °C.
- Specific capacity of air 1.1 kJ/kg.°C
- Air flow rate for combustion 13,000 m<sup>3</sup>/h
- Air density 1.2 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

Reference Air Temperature

- Reference air temperature is 25 °C.

Water to Boiler

- Temperature of raw water 29 °C.
- Temperature of feed water is 100 °C.
- Feed water to boiler is 19.2 m<sup>3</sup>/h.

Steam

- Temperature and pressure of steam are 260 °C and 20 bar.
- Enthalpy of steam 2799.50 kJ/kg.
- surface temperature of boiler is 50 °C

Blow Down

The blow down temperature is 90 °C from field measurement and blow down 2 times per hour for 60 seconds per time. Table 1 shows the amount of blow down.

Table 1 Amount of Blow down

Item	Blow down (m <sup>3</sup> )	Time (s)
Manual Blow down		
1	0.3	60

Remark: 2 times per hour

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Flue Gas

Use G = 7.44 Nm<sup>3</sup>/kg

Table 2 Flue Gas Measurement

Item	Measurement Data	Unit	Value
1	Flue gas Temp	°C	280.1
2	Excess air	%	145.3
3	O <sub>2</sub> – Content	%	12
4	CO <sub>2</sub> – Content	%	8.3
5	CO – Content	Ppm	156
6	Eff.Gross	%	85.1
7	Eff.Net	%	90.6
8	Amb.Air.Temp	°C	36.5
9	Flue.Draught	Mbar	-0.78

Table 3 Amount of Ash

Item	Ash (kg/time)	Time (h/time)	Ash (kg/h)	Remarks
Fly Ash				
1	300	4	75	
Bottom Ash				
1	300	6	50	Above grate
2	450	240	2	Under grate
Total Ash			127	

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**Question 3 (20 points)**

The followings are details for floating drum design:

Item	Details	Values
1	Amount of manure	2,900 kg/day
2	Ratio of amount of manure and digester volume	5.7 kg/0.075 m <sup>3</sup>
3	Retention period	60 day
4	Cylindrical Shaped digester - Thick - Ratio of diameter and height	0.15 m 1:1.25
5	Amount of required biogas	105 m <sup>3</sup> /day
6	Coldest ambient temperature	17 °C
7	Surrounding temperature of digester	22 °C
8	Inside temperature of digester	35 °C
9	Thermal conductivity of material for gas holder	3 kJ/(hr.m <sup>2</sup> .°C)
10	Thermal conductivity of material for digester (floor, area between digester and gas holder)	2.5 kJ/(hr.m <sup>2</sup> .°C)

Calculate

3.1 Digester volume, diameter and height of digester.

3.2 Gas holder volume, diameter and height of gas holder.

3.3 Heat loss from digester and gas holder (in unit of kJ/day)

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**Question 4 (15 points)**

There are different types of gasifiers. How many types of gasifier? Explain and draw each type in details. Also explain various zones in each type of gasifier.



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**Question 5 (20 points)**

5.1 Explain the meaning of the following words

1. Low Heating Value (LHV)
2. High Heating Value (HHV)
3. Dry Heating Value

Which heating value is appropriate for the use in industrial sector? Why?

5.2 Explain the meaning of the following words. Also give the 4 examples and application of each item

1. Fossil fuels
2. Renewable energy

TABLE A.1 Thermodynamic Properties of Steam

TABLE A.1.1 Saturated Steam: Temperature Table.

Temp. Sat. °C	Press. Sat. kPa	Specific Volume $m^3/kg$		Internal Energy $kJ/kg$			Enthalpy $kJ/kg$			Entropy $kJ/kg \cdot K$		
		Sat. Liquid $v_f$	Sat. Vapor $v_g$	Sat. Liquid $u_f$	Evap. $u_{fg}$	Sat. Vapor $u_g$	Sat. Liquid $h_f$	Evap. $h_{fg}$	Sat. Vapor $h_g$	Sat. Liquid $s_f$	Evap. $s_{fg}$	Sat. Vapor $s_g$
0.01	0.6113	0.001000	206.14	.00	2375.3	2375.3	.01	2501.3	2501.4	.0000	9.1562	9.1562
5	0.8721	0.001000	147.12	20.97	2361.3	2382.3	20.98	2489.6	2510.6	.0761	8.9496	9.0257
10	1.2276	0.001000	106.38	42.00	2347.2	2389.2	42.01	2477.7	2519.8	.1510	8.7498	8.9008
15	1.7051	0.001001	77.93	62.99	2333.1	2396.1	62.99	2465.9	2528.9	.2245	8.5569	8.7814
20	2.339	0.001002	57.79	83.95	2319.0	2402.9	83.96	2454.1	2538.1	.2966	8.3706	8.6672
25	3.169	0.001003	43.36	104.88	2304.9	2409.8	104.89	2442.3	2547.2	.3674	8.1905	8.5580
30	4.246	0.001004	32.89	125.78	2290.8	2416.6	125.79	2430.5	2556.3	.4369	8.0164	8.4533
35	5.628	0.001006	25.22	146.67	2276.7	2423.4	146.68	2418.6	2565.3	.5053	7.8478	8.3531
40	7.384	0.001008	19.52	167.56	2262.6	2430.1	167.57	2406.7	2574.3	.5725	7.6845	8.2570
45	9.593	0.001010	15.26	188.44	2248.4	2436.8	188.45	2394.8	2583.2	.6387	7.5261	8.1648
50	12.349	0.001012	12.03	209.32	2234.2	2443.5	209.33	2382.7	2592.1	.7038	7.3725	8.0763
55	15.758	0.001015	9.568	230.21	2219.9	2450.1	230.23	2370.7	2600.9	.7679	7.2234	7.9913
60	19.940	0.001017	7.671	251.11	2205.5	2456.6	251.13	2358.5	2609.6	.8312	7.0784	7.9096
65	25.03	0.001020	6.197	272.02	2191.1	2463.1	272.06	2346.2	2618.3	.8935	6.9375	7.8310
70	31.19	0.001023	5.042	292.95	2176.6	2469.6	292.98	2333.8	2626.8	.9549	6.8004	7.7553
75	38.58	0.001026	4.131	313.90	2162.0	2475.9	313.93	2321.4	2635.3	1.0155	6.6669	7.6824
80	47.39	0.001029	3.407	334.86	2147.4	2482.2	334.91	2308.8	2643.7	1.0753	6.5369	7.6122
85	57.83	0.001033	2.828	355.84	2132.6	2488.4	355.90	2296.0	2651.9	1.1343	6.4102	7.5445
90	70.14	0.001036	2.361	376.85	2117.7	2494.5	376.92	2283.2	2660.1	1.1925	6.2866	7.4791
95	84.55	0.001040	1.982	397.88	2102.7	2500.6	397.96	2270.2	2668.1	1.2500	6.1659	7.4159
100	101.35	0.001044	1.6729	418.94	2087.6	2506.5	419.04	2257.0	2676.1	1.3069	6.0480	7.3549
105	120.82	0.001048	1.4194	440.02	2072.3	2512.4	440.15	2243.7	2683.8	1.3630	5.9328	7.2958
110	143.27	0.001052	1.2102	461.14	2057.0	2518.1	461.30	2230.2	2691.5	1.4185	5.8202	7.2387
115	169.06	0.001056	1.0366	482.30	2041.4	2523.7	482.48	2216.5	2699.0	1.4734	5.7100	7.1833
120	198.53	0.001060	0.8919	503.50	2025.8	2529.3	503.71	2202.6	2706.3	1.5276	5.6020	7.1296
125	232.1	0.001065	0.7706	524.74	2009.9	2534.6	524.99	2188.5	2713.5	1.5813	5.4962	7.0775
130	270.1	0.001070	0.6685	546.02	1993.9	2539.9	546.31	2174.2	2720.5	1.6344	5.3925	7.0269
135	313.0	0.001075	0.5822	567.35	1977.7	2545.0	567.69	2159.6	2727.3	1.6870	5.2907	6.9777