

**ADVANCED STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS  
(CIVL 4141)**

Time Allotted : 3 hrs

Full Marks : 70

*Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and  
any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.*

*Candidates are required to give answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group - A  
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)**

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: 10 × 1 = 10

- (i) Flexibility method is a matrix of  
 (a) force method (b) displacement method  
 (c) energy method (d) numerical method.
- (ii) The direction cosines of an octahedral plane to the three axes of reference are  
 (a)  $\pm 1/\sqrt{2}, \pm 1/\sqrt{2}, \pm 1/\sqrt{2}$  (b)  $\pm 1/\sqrt{3}, \pm 1/\sqrt{3}, \pm 1/\sqrt{3}$   
 (c)  $\pm\sqrt{3}/2, \pm\sqrt{3}/2, \pm 1/\sqrt{2}$  (d)  $\pm 1/\sqrt{2}, \pm 1/\sqrt{3}, \pm\sqrt{3}/2$
- (iii) Stress invariant  $I_2$  is given as  
 (a)  $\sigma_x \sigma_y + \sigma_y \sigma_z + \sigma_z \sigma_x$   
 (b)  $\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z$   
 (c)  $\tau_{xy}^2 + \tau_{yz}^2 + \tau_{zx}^2$   
 (d)  $\sigma_x \sigma_y + \sigma_y \sigma_z + \sigma_z \sigma_x - \tau_{xy}^2 - \tau_{yz}^2 - \tau_{zx}^2$
- (iv) Synclastic shell is a  
 (a) singly curved shell (b) developable shell  
 (c) shell in translation (d) doubly curved shell.
- (v) The Navier's solution of bending of simply supported plate is based on  
 (a) double trigonometric series (b) single trigonometric series  
 (c) single Fourier series (d) double Fourier series.
- (vi) The fourth order differential equation of isotropic plate subjected to external load of intensity q is  
 (a)  $\frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} + 2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial y^4} = q/D$  (b)  $\frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} + 2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} = q$   
 (c)  $\frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} + \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial y^4} = q$  (d)  $2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial y^4} = q$



- (vii) The thickness to width ratio in case of thin plate shall be less than  
 (a) 0.1                      (b) 0.2                      (c) 0.01                      (d) 0.02.
- (viii) The finite difference representation of the first derivative is given by  
 (a)  $\frac{1}{2h}(w_{i+1} - w_{i-1})$                       (b)  $\frac{1}{2h}(w_{i-1} - w_{i+1})$   
 (c)  $\frac{1}{h}(w_{i+1} - w_{i-1})$                       (d)  $\frac{1}{h}(w_{i+1} + w_{i-1})$ .
- (ix) Size of the stiffness matrix for a structure having 3 DOF is  
 (a)  $6 \times 6$                       (b)  $3 \times 3$                       (c)  $9 \times 9$                       (d)  $2 \times 2$ .
- (x) The elements stiffness matrix of a two noded bar element is  
 (a)  $\frac{AE}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$                       (b)  $\frac{AE}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\frac{AE}{L} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$                       (d)  $\frac{AE}{L} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Group - B**

- 2. Determine the structure stiffness matrix, the force in each member and deflection of joint A for the two member truss shown in figure 1. AE is constant.

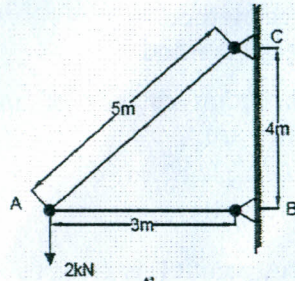


figure 1 12

- 3. Derive the member stiffness matrix of a 2-noded beam and frame element. 12

**Group - C**

- 4. Explain the three different schemes of finite difference method. 12
- 5. Compute deflections at quarter points and centre of a simply supported beam for the loading shown in figure 2 by using finite difference method.

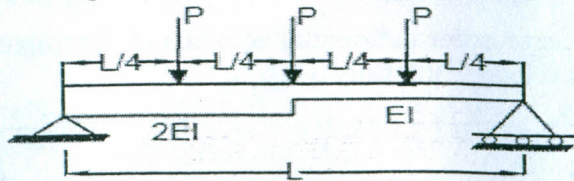


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**Group - D**

- 6. Describe the Navier solution for simply supported rectangular plate. 12
- 7. (a) State the assumption of classical plate theory.  
 (b) Write brief note on Navier's and Levis' solution for plate buckling problem. 5 + 7 = 12

**Group - E**

- 8. The state of stress at a point is given by the following array of terms:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10 & 6 & 3.5 \\ 6 & 4 & 2 \\ 3.5 & 2 & 4.5 \end{bmatrix} MPa.$$

Determine the principal stress and principal directions.

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- 9. Write short note on the following: (4 × 3) = 12  
 (i) Plane stress and plain strain problem  
 (ii) Spherical and deviator stress tensor  
 (iii) Stress invariants  
 (iv) Octahedral stress.