

BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI  
(END SEMESTER EXAMINATION)

CLASS: B. ARCH  
BRANCH: ARCHITECTURE

SEMESTER : III  
SESSION : MO/2022

SUBJECT: AR204 STRUCTURAL MECHANICS

TIME: 3:00 Hours

FULL MARKS: 50

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 10 marks and total 50 marks.
  2. Attempt all questions.
  3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
  4. Before attempting the question paper, be sure that you have got the correct question paper.
  5. Tables/Data hand book/Graph paper etc. to be supplied to the candidates in the examination hall.
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- Q.1(a) Define principal planes and principal stresses for plane stress condition of the body. [CO 1] [BL 1] [2]  
Q.1(b) Define the terms: pure shear, uniaxial, and bi-axial state of stress. [CO 1] [BL1] [3]  
Q.1(c) At a particular point, the material has biaxial state of stress with  $\sigma_x = 14$  MPa and  $\sigma_y = -56$  MPa. [5]  
Determine the orientation of an inclined plane through the point such that the normal stress on the plane is zero. [CO 1, 3] [BL 3]
- Q.2(a) Define shear stresses in beams. [CO 1, 2,3] [BL 1] [2]  
Q.2(b) Outline the assumptions followed to derive the shear stress along the cross-section of the beams. [3]  
[CO 1, 2, 3] [BL 4]  
Q.2(c) Consider a beam of rectangular cross-section with width  $b$  and height  $h$  and it is subjected to shear force  $V$ . Show that the maximum shear stress of the beam is 1.5 times of the average shear stress. [5]  
[CO 1, 2, 3] [BL 1]
- Q.3(a) Describe the double integration method used to determine the deflection of beams. [2]  
[CO 1, 2, 4] [BL 2]  
Q.3(b) Write and explain first and second moment-area theorem. [CO 1, 2, 4] [BL 2] [3]  
Q.3(c) Determine the angle of rotation and deflection at the free end of a cantilever beam subjected to a concentrated load  $P$  at the free end. The beam has length  $L$  and flexural rigidity  $EI$ . Use moment-area method. [5]  
[CO 1, 2, 3] [BL 3]
- Q.4(a) What is Castigliano's first theorem? Explain with an example. [CO 1, 4] [BL 2] [2]  
Q.4(b) A cantilever beam is subjected to a couple  $M_0$  as shown in Figure 1. The beam has length  $L$  and flexural rigidity  $EI$ . Derive the expression of angle of rotation at the free end of the beam using Castigliano's theorem. [3]  
[CO 1, 2, 3, 4] [BL 6]

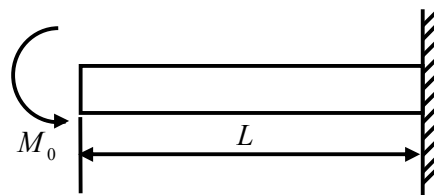


Figure 1

- Q.4(c) A simply supported beam AB of length  $L$  supports uniform load of intensity  $q$  as shown in Figure 2. [5]  
Evaluate the strain energy of the beam from the bending moment of the beam. CO 1, 2, 3, 4] [BL 5]

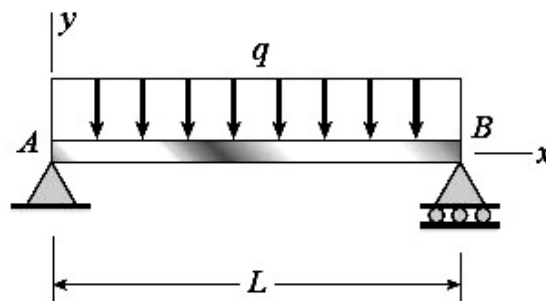


Figure 2

- Q.5(a) Define the critical load and equivalent length of a column. [CO 1, 2] [BL 1] [2]
- Q.5(b) Calculate the ratios of equivalent length and actual length of columns with following end conditions: [3]
- (i) both ends pinned
  - (ii) fixed at base and free at upper end
  - (iii) both ends fixed.
- Q.5(c) Derive the expression for critical load of a column when both the ends of it are pinned. Consider the length and flexural rigidity of the column as  $L$  and  $EI$ , respectively. [CO 1, 2, 3] [BL 3] [5]  
[CO 1, 2, 3] [BL 6]

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