

BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI
(MID SEMESTER EXAMINATION MO/2023)

CLASS: B.ARCH
BRANCH: ARCHITECTURE

SEMESTER : III
SESSION : MO/2023

SUBJECT: AR204 STRUCTURAL MECHANICS

TIME: 02 Hours

FULL MARKS: 25

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 5 marks and total 25 marks.
2. Attempt all questions.
3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
4. Tables/Data handbook/Graph paper etc., if applicable, will be supplied to the candidates

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| Q.1(a) Explain bi-axial state of stress at a point of the body with an example. | [2] | 1 | 2 |
| Q.1(b) At a particular point, the material has biaxial state of stress with $\sigma_x = 14$ MPa and $\sigma_y = -56$ MPa. Determine the orientation of an inclined plane through the point such that the normal stress on the plane is zero. | [3] | 1 | 3 |

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| Q.2(a) Define the terms: Principal planes and principal stresses. | [2] | 1 | 1 |
| Q.2(b) An element of material in plane strain undergoes the following strains: | [3] | 1 | 3 |

$$\epsilon_x = 340 \times 10^{-6}; \epsilon_y = 110 \times 10^{-6}; \gamma_{xy} = 180 \times 10^{-6}$$

Determine the following quantities:

- (a) the strains for an element oriented at an angle $\theta = 30^\circ$, (b) the principal strains, and (c) the maximum shear strains.

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| Q.3(a) Describe briefly about 45° and 60° strain rosette. | [2] | 1 | 1 |
| Q.3(b) During a test of an airplane wing, the strain gage readings from a 45° rosette (Figure 1) are as follows: gage A, 520×10^{-6} ; gage B, 360×10^{-6} ; and gage C, -80×10^{-6} . Determine the principal strains and maximum shear strains. | [3] | 1 | 3 |

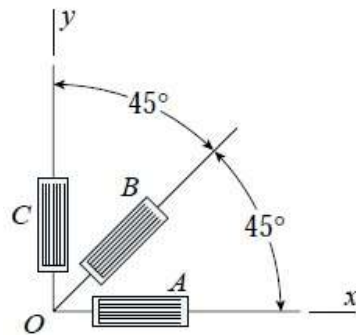


Figure 1

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| Q.4(a) Explain pure bending of beams with a suitable example. | [2] | 1,2 | 2 |
| Q.4(b) Define and explain section modulus of a beam with the help of a suitable example. | [3] | 1,2 | 1,2 |
| Q.5 A simply supported wood beam of rectangular cross section and span length 1.2 m carries a concentrated load P at mid span as shown in Figure 2. The cross section has width 140 mm and height 240 mm. Calculate the maximum permissible value of the load P if the allowable bending stress is 8.5 MPa. | [5] | 1,2 | 3 |

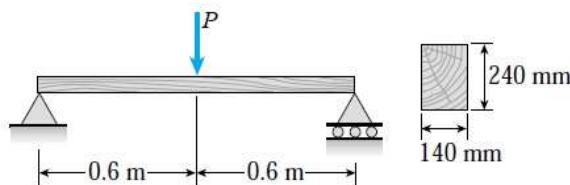


Figure 2