



**B.E DEGREE EXAMINATIONS: APRIL /MAY 2024**

(Regulation 2018)

Fourth Semester

**AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING**

U18AET4003: Aircraft Structures I

**COURSE OUTCOMES**

- CO1: Identify statically determinate and indeterminate structures.  
 CO2: Analyze the response of statically indeterminate structures under various loading conditions.  
 CO3: Determine the reactions of structures using strain energy concept.  
 CO4: Identify different numerical methods available to solve a single structural problem.  
 CO5: Examine the structural failures using failure theories.

**Time: Three Hours**

**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Answer all the Questions:-**

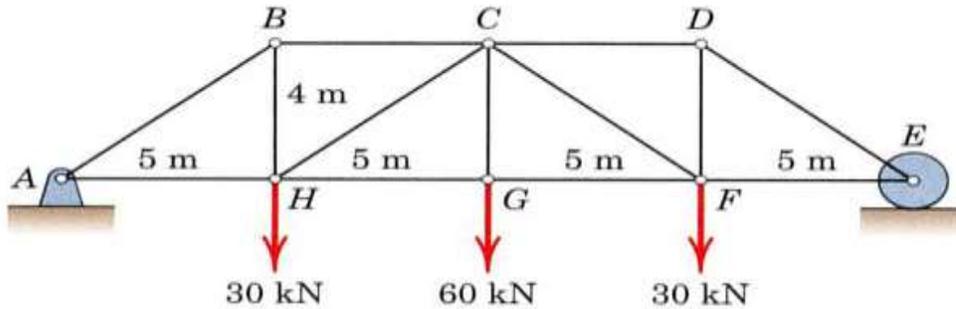
**PART A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)**

**(Answer not more than 40 words)**

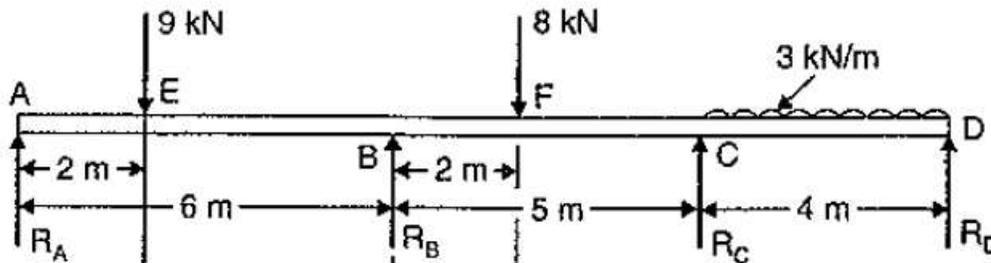
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| 1. Differentiate the statically determinate structures and statically indeterminate structures.   | CO1 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 2. Explain the properties of Ball and Socket Joint.   | CO1 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 3. State second-moment area theorem.  | CO2 | [K <sub>1</sub> ] |
| 4. Define: 1. Stiffness Factor &<br>2. Distribution Factor  | CO2 | [K <sub>1</sub> ] |
| 5. A rod of area 90 mm <sup>2</sup> has a length of 3 m. Determine the strain energy, if the stress of 300 MPa is applied when stretched. Young's modulus is given as 200 GPa.                | CO3 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
| 6. State Castigliano's first and second theorem.  | CO3 | [K <sub>1</sub> ] |
| 7. A specimen of 3m <sup>2</sup> in cross section stretches 0.5cm over 10m gauge length under an axial load of 100kN. Calculate the strain energy stored and Young's modulus of the specimen. | CO4 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
| 8. For the column with constant axial compressive load, which end condition of it will be more stable? Explain.   | CO4 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 9. What are the assumptions followed in Euler's equation?   | CO5 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 10. Define: Short, Medium and Long columns  | CO5 | [K <sub>1</sub> ] |

**Answer any FIVE Questions:-**  
**PART B (5 x 16 = 80 Marks)**  
**(Answer not more than 400 words)**

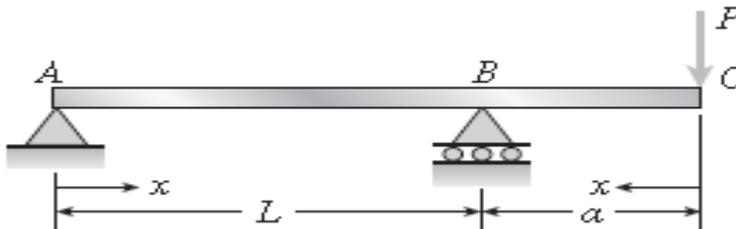
11. Determine the force in each member of the loaded truss. CO1 [K<sub>3</sub>]



12. Using Clapeyron's Three Moment Equation, find the reactions at the supports. CO2 [K<sub>4</sub>]



13. An overhanging beam  $ABC$  supports a concentrated load  $P$  at the end of the overhang. Span  $AB$  has length  $L$  and the overhang has length  $a$ . CO3 [K<sub>4</sub>]
- Obtain the strain energy of the beam and then using Castigliano's theorem.
  - Determine the deflection  $\delta_C$  at the end of the overhang using any one of the strain energy method



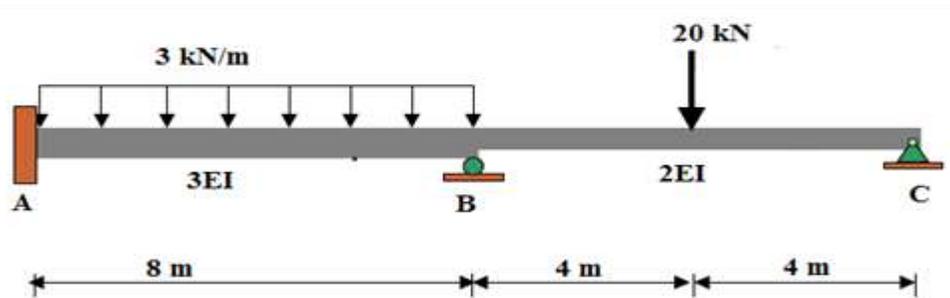
14. a) Derive the Euler buckling load for columns, when both ends of the column are fixed. 6 CO4 [K<sub>3</sub>]
- b) A hollow steel strut hinged at both ends has an outside diameter of 64mm, an 10 CO4 [K<sub>3</sub>]

inside diameter of 52mm and 2.4m long. The load is parallel to the axis but is eccentric.

- a) Determine the maximum value bending stress if the crippling load is 70% of Euler value. The yield stress is 300MPa and  $E = 205\text{GPa}$ .
- b) Determine the maximum value of eccentricity.

15. a) A hollow mild steel shaft having 100mm external diameter and 50mm internal diameter is subjected to a twisting moment of 8kNm and a bending moment of 2.5kNm. Calculate the principal stresses and identify direct stress which, acting alone, would produce the same
- (i) Maximum strain energy,
  - (ii) Maximum shear strain energy, as that produced by the principal stresses acting together. Take Poisson's ratio = 0.25
- b) Explain:
- (i) Maximum principal strain theory
  - (ii) Maximum shear stress theory

16. Analyze the following beam by moment-distribution method. Draw S.F. & B.M. diagrams.



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