

Fifth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2017/Jan.2018

Aircraft Structures – I

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.

PART – A

- 1 a. Sketch and explain all structural components of an aircraft in briefs. (10 Marks)
- b. An airplane as shown in the Fig. Q1 (b) weighs 24000 N. It is flying horizontally at a velocity of 222 m/s. When the pilot pulls it upwards in a curved path with radius of curvature 2500 m. Find the lift force (L), Tail force (T) and Load factor acting on the airplane (Assume $T = D$) (10 Marks)

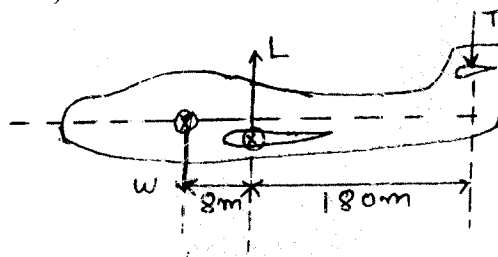


Fig. Q1 (b)

- 2 a. Explain and enlist the importance of Titanium α and β alloys in aircraft industry. (10 Marks)
- b. Enlist various composite materials used in structural components of an aircraft and discuss the advantage of composite materials over metals. (10 Marks)
- 3 a. Explain all the stages of creep phenomenon in metallic components. (08 Marks)
- b. Mention the various stages of fracture in ductile and brittle materials with brief explanation. (08 Marks)
- c. What are the factors that influence the endurance limit? (04 Marks)
- 4 a. Analyse the structures below for determinacy and redundancy. (10 Marks)

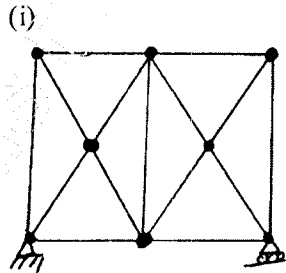


Fig. Q4 (a)

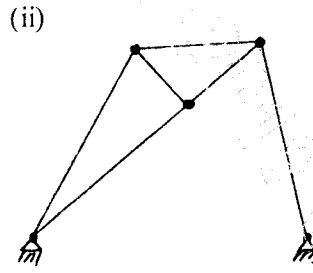


Fig. Q4 (b)

- b. A truss of span 15 m carries a point load. 2 kN at joint D as shown in Fig. Q4 (b). Solve for all the forces and reactions in the truss structure. (10 Marks)

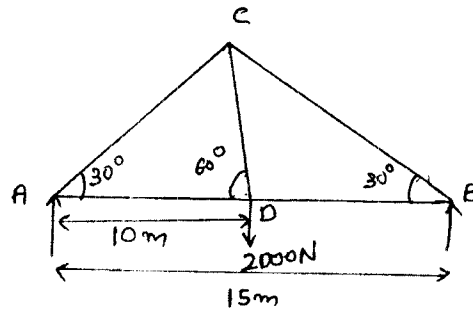


Fig. Q4 (b)

PART – B

- 5 a. Deduce an expression for strain energy of a beam bending condition. (08 Marks)
 b. Define complementary strain energy. (04 Marks)
 c. State and prove Castigliano's I and II theorem. (08 Marks)
- 6 a. Derive an expression for eccentric loading on column. Using Rankine's method for buckling load determination. (10 Marks)
 b. Consider a L section beam as shown in the Fig. Q6 (b). $200 \times 200 \times 20$ mm. Young's modulus $E = 200$ GPa. Find the crippling load for following conditions. Length of the column is 5000 mm.
 (i) Hinged – hinged (ii) Fixed – Free (iii) Fixed – Fixed (iv) Fixed - hinged (10 Marks)

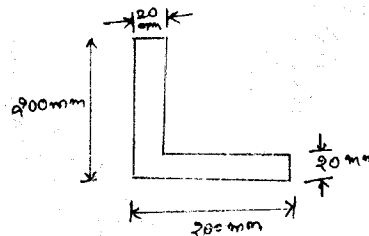


Fig. Q6 (b)

- 7 a. Define plane stress and plane strain. (06 Marks)
 b. Derive an equilibrium equation for 3 D elastic body subjected to surface traction forces. (06 Marks)
 c. Engineering strain components at the point in a body are given by,

$$(\text{strain})\epsilon = \begin{bmatrix} 0.55 & -0.25 & 0 \\ -0.25 & -3 & 0.25 \\ 0 & 0.25 & -0.95 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^{-4}$$

If $E = 25 \times 10^6$ N/m² and Poisson's ratio = 0.25. Determine stress components at this point. (08 Marks)

- 8 a. Deduce and explain (i) Maximum strain theory. (ii) Maximum strain energy theory. (10 Marks)
 b. The principle stresses at a point in an elastic material are $\sigma_1 = 100$ N/mm² (tensile), $\sigma_2 = 80$ N/mm², $\sigma_3 = 50$ N/mm² (compression). If the stress at the elastic limit is 200 MPa. Poisson's ratio = 0.3. Determine FOS and deduce whether the failure in material will occur according to,
 (i) Maximum principle stress theory.
 (ii) Maximum principle strain theory. (10 Marks)

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