

First Semester M.Tech. Degree Examination, February 2013

Finite Element Methods

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions.

1. a. Explain the steps involved in finite element method, with suitable examples. (10 Marks)
 b. Write a note on Iso, Sub and Super parametric elements. (05 Marks)
 c. List the engineering applications of FEM. (05 Marks)

2. a. What are shape functions? Derive the shape function for 1D linear element. (10 Marks)
 b. Write a note on properties that a shape function should satisfy. (05 Marks)
 c. Explain simplex, complex and multiplex elements. (05 Marks)

3. a. Determine the nodal displacement using principle of minimum potential energy for the springs shown in Fig.Q3(a). Take $F_1 = 75 \text{ N}$, $F_2 = 100 \text{ N}$.

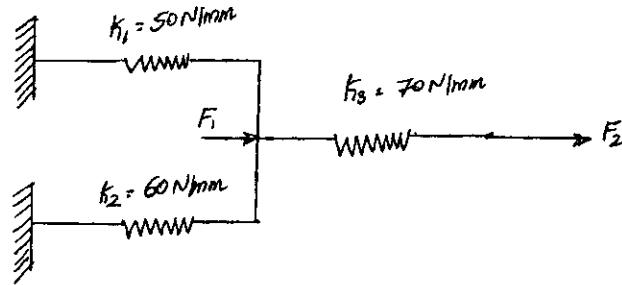


Fig.Q3(a)

(10 Marks)

- b. Using Galerkin's method, find the expression for displacement of a cantilever beam shown in Fig.Q3(b).

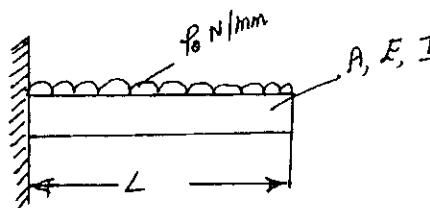


Fig.Q3(b)

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4. a. Derive the element stiffness matrix for a bar element using minimum potential energy approach. (10 Marks)
 b. Determine the displacement at nodes and support reaction for the bar shown in Fig.Q4(b).

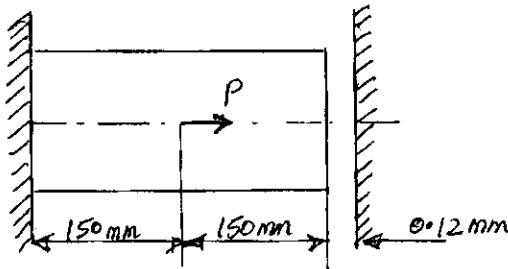


Fig.Q4(b)

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 300 \text{ mm}^2 \\ P &= 600 \text{ kN} \\ E &= 200 \text{ GPa} \end{aligned}$$

(10 Marks)

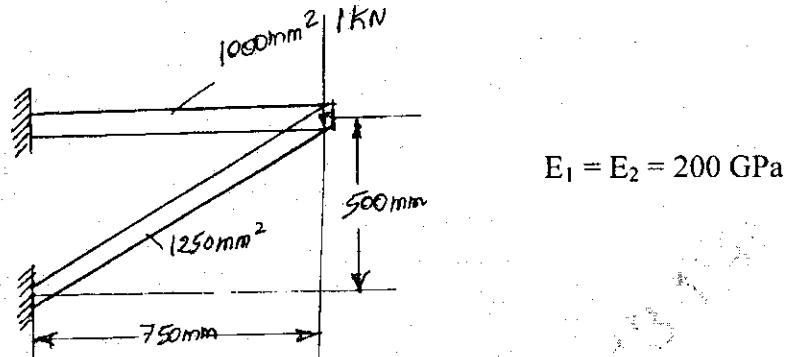


Fig.Q5(b)

- 6 a. Explain parametric and variational design in CAE. (06 Marks)
b. Explain the integrated database management system used in CAE. (08 Marks)
c. Write a note on simulation based design. (06 Marks)

7 a. Explain 3D transformation and 3D rotation of objects. (10 Marks)
b. Write a note on concatenation and 2D reflection. (10 Marks)

8 a. What are the different representation schemes used for representing 3D solid object? Explain with examples. (10 Marks)
b. Write a note on surface creation and NURBS curve. (10 Marks)

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