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Second Semester

Structural Engineering

14PSE201- FINITE ELEMENT ANALYSIS FOR STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING

(Regulation 2014)

Duration: Three hours

Answer ALL Questions.

PART A - $(5 \times 1 = 5 \text{ Marks})$

| 1. | is the variational method | |
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| (a) Least Square | (b) Galerkin's method |
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| (c) Rayleigh Ritz method | (d) Sub domain collocation method |

2. In each node which of the following element of has a 2 degree of freedom

| | (a) bar | (b) beam | (c) truss | (d) none of these | | |
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| 3. | Ten noded triangu | lar element is known | as | | | |
| | (a) CST | (b) QST | (c) LST | (d) NLST | | |

4. The brick element contains

(a) 4 nodes (b) 2 nodes (c) 7 nodes (d) 8 nodes

5. In a thermally isotropic medium, Fourier's law for two dimensional heat flows is given by

| (a) $Q_x = -k \ [\partial T/\partial x]$ | (b) $Q_x = -k [\partial T / \partial y]$ |
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| (c) $Q_x = [\partial T / \partial x]$ | (d) $Q_x = -k \left[\partial T^2 / \partial x^2\right]$ |

PART - B (5 x 3 = 15 Marks)

- 6. State the principle of minimum potential energy.
- 7. State the properties of a stiffness matrix.
- 8. Define plane stress.
- 9. Write a short note on ill conditioned elements.
- 10. Differentiate between damped and undamped vibrations.

PART - C (5 x
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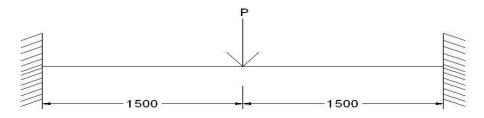
11. (a) The differential equation for a phenomenon is given by $d^2y/dx^2+500x^2=0$, 0 < x < 5, and the boundary condition are Y(0)=0, Y(5)=0. Find the approximate solution using Galerkins method. Start with minimum possible approximate solution. (16)

Or

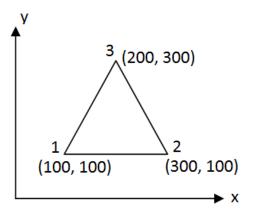
- (b) A cantilever beam is subjected to UDL over entire span and it is subjected to a point load at the centre of the span. Calculate the deflection at the free end by using Rayleigh-Ritz method and compare with exact solution.
- 12. (a) Derive the displacement function (u), shape function (N), stiffness matrix and finite element equation for one dimensional bar element. (16)

Or

(b) A concentrated load $P = 50 \ kN$ is applied at the centre of a fixed beam of length 3m, depth 200mm and width 200mm. Calculate deflection and slope at the midpoint. Take $E = 2 \times 10^5 \ N/mm^2$ and figure 2 shown below. (16)



13. (a) Determine the stiffness matrix for the CST element shown in figure. Assume plane stress condition. Take $\mu = 0.25$, $E = 2 \times 10^5$ N/mm² and t = 20 mm.



Co-ordinates in the figure are in mm

(16)

Or

- (b) Explain the following
 - (i) Derive an expression for the two dimensional plane stresses. (10)
 - (ii) Explain the Isoparametric element. (6)
- 14. (a) (i) Discuss p and h methods of refinement and give applications of each method.

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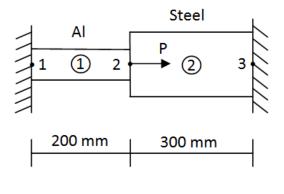
(ii) Comment on discretisation error with an example. (6)

Or

(b) Briefly explain the adaptive mesh generation techniques with suitable examples.

(16)

15. (a) An axial load of 4×10^5 N is applied at 30° C to the rod as shown in figure. The temperature is then raised to 60° C. Calculate (i) Nodal displacements (ii) Stresses in each material (iii) Reactions at each nodal point. For Aluminium A₁ = 1000 mm²; E₁ = 0.7×10^5 N/mm²; $\alpha_1 = 23 \times 10^{-6}$ /°C For Steel A₂ = 1500 mm²; E₂ = 2×10^5 N/mm²; $\alpha_2 = 12 \times 10^{-6}$ /°C



(16)

Or

(b) Discuss your views on materials and also explain the geometrical non linearity in detail. (16)