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FINITE ELEMENT METHODS

(Common to ME, AE, MSNT)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 75

**Note:** This question paper contains two parts A and B.

Part A is compulsory which carries 25 marks. Answer all questions in Part A. Part B consists of 5 Units. Answer any one full question from each unit. Each question carries 10 marks and may have a, b, c as sub questions.

**PART - A (25 Marks)**

- 1.a) What is the principle of finite element method? [2]
- b) Write the stress strain relations for 2 D plane stress and plane strain conditions. [3]
- c) Differentiate between truss and beam element based on degree of freedom. [2]
- d) What is Hermite shape function? [3]
- e) Write the formula for the load vector of a triangular element subjected to body force. [2]
- f) What is the size of the stiffness matrix for axisymmetric triangular element? [3]
- g) What is the degree of freedom for the thermal problems? [2]
- h) Where do you apply finite element analysis for thermal problems? [3]
- i) Explain convergence requirement. [2]
- j) Explain the importance of lumped mass matrix. [3]

**PART - B (50 Marks)**

- 2.a) Why polynomial type of interpolation function is preferred over trigonometric functions? Explain.
  - b) Draw the Pascal's triangle and Pascal's tetrahedron for understanding the interpolations functions. Explain the salient features. [5+5]
- OR**
- 3.a) Explain the steps involved in obtaining an approximate solution using finite element method.
  - b) Explain the equilibrium state of the system, when the system is subjected to different types of loads and explain the stress and equilibrium relations. [5+5]
4. For a two-dimensional truss structure, as shown in the figure 1, determine displacements of the nodes and normal stresses developed in the members using FE. Use  $E = 30 \times 10^6 \text{ N/cm}^2$  and a diameter of the circular cross-section of 0.25 cm. [10]

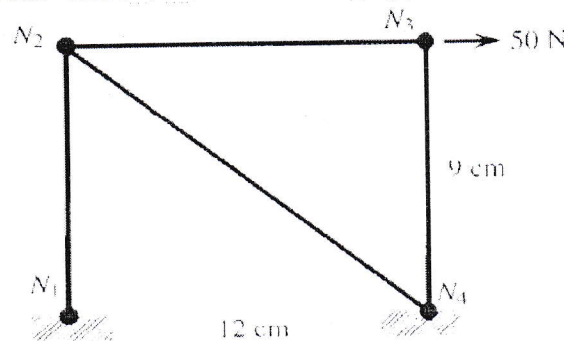


Figure 1

**OR**

5. A beam is fixed at one end and supported by a roller at the other end, has a 20 kN concentrated load applied at the centre of the span of 10 m. Calculate the deflection and

- 6.a) Evaluate the axisymmetric stiffness matrix  $\mathbf{K}$  of the triangular element shown in the figure 2. Consider the coordinates of nodes as 1 (2, 1), 2 (4, 0), and 3 (3, 2). Also assume  $E = 2.6 \text{ GPa}$  and  $\nu = 0.2$ .

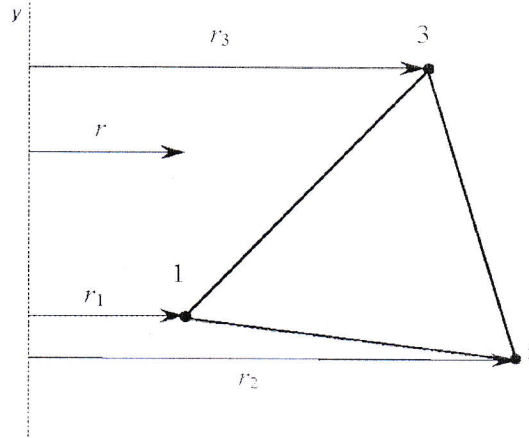


Figure 2

- b) Differentiate between CST and LST with respect to the triangular element. [5+5]  
**OR**
7. Derive the stiffness matrix for the four noded quadrilateral element in terms of natural coordinate system. [10]
8. Consider a brick wall of thickness  $0.3 \text{ m}$ ,  $k=0.7 \text{ W/m K}$ . The inner surface is at  $28^\circ\text{C}$  and the outer surface is exposed to cold air at  $-15^\circ\text{C}$ . The heat transfer coefficient associated with the outside surface is  $40 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}$ . Determine the steady state temperature distribution within the wall and also the heat flux through the wall. Use two elements and obtain the solution. [10]
- OR**
9. Derive the conductivity matrix for two dimensional triangular element subjected to convection on one face of the element. [10]
10. For the stepped bar shown in the figure 3. Develop the global stiffness and mass matrices and also determine the natural frequencies and mode shapes. Assume  $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$  and mass density  $= 7850 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ,  $L_1 = L_2 = 0.3 \text{ m}$ ,  $A_1 = 350 \text{ mm}^2$ ,  $A_2 = 600 \text{ mm}^2$ . [10]

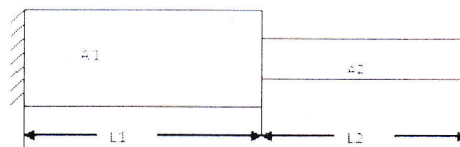


Figure 3

- OR**
- 11.a) Derive the shape functions for the four noded tetrahedron element from the first principles.
- b) Discuss the importance of semi automatic meshing and auto mesh along with the practical applications. [5+5]