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Second Semester, M. Tech - Civil Engineering (MCAD)

Semester End Examination; June - 2017

Structural Stability Analysis Classical and FE Approach

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

*Note: i) Answer FIVE full questions, selecting ONE full question from each unit.
ii) Assume suitable data, if any.*

UNIT - I

- 1 a. Derive the governing differential equation for a beam-column. 10
- b. Derive an expression for deflection of the simply supported beam column subjected to an udl of q /unit length and an axial compressive load P . Length of the beam is L . 10
- 2. Using the fourth order differential equation, determine the first three critical loads for : 20
 - i) Pinned-Pinned column 20
 - ii) Fixed-Fixed column.

UNIT - II

- 3. Determine the critical load for a cantilever column subjected to uniformly distribute axial load. 20
- 4. Determine the expression for the foundation modulus β at which the number of half waves switches over from m to $m+1$ for a simply supported beam subjected to an axial compressive load P and resting on an elastic foundation. Also plot the variation of critical load and foundation modulus. 20

UNIT - III

- 5. Determine the buckling load for the portal frame fixed at the support as shown in Fig.1 20

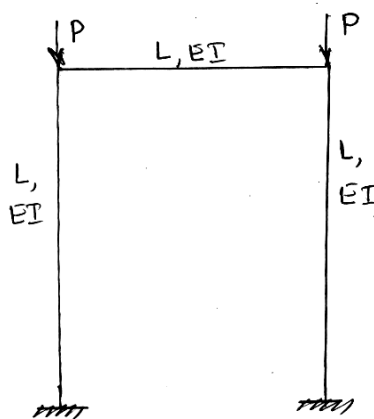


Fig. 1

- 6. Using the shape function of the two noded Euler Bernoulli beam element, derive elastic stiffness coefficient K_{ij} and geometric stiffness coefficient K_{gij} for $i = 1, 2$ and $j = 1, 2, 4$. 20

UNIT - IV

- 7. Determine the critical moment for an I-section beam subjected to pure bending against lateral buckling. 20
- 8. Derive an expression for warping displacement for pure torsion of thin walled open section. Also sketch the variation of warping along the middle line of cross section. 20

UNIT - V

- 9. Determine the buckling load for a rectangular plate under the action of shearing stresses. 20
- 10. Derive the expression for the critical loads for rectangular plate subjected to in-plane loads in two directions. Assume the plates are simply supported along its four edges. 20

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