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ECE 2317 : THEORY OF STRUCTURES IV

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SERIES: JULY 2017

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-*Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID*

-*Drawing instruments.*

This paper consists of five questions.

Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)

- i) Figure Q.1 (a) is a bridge truss loaded at point C and D and resting freely at the two supports. Using Castagliano's 1st theorem and taking the modulus of elasticity as 230KN/mm^2 .



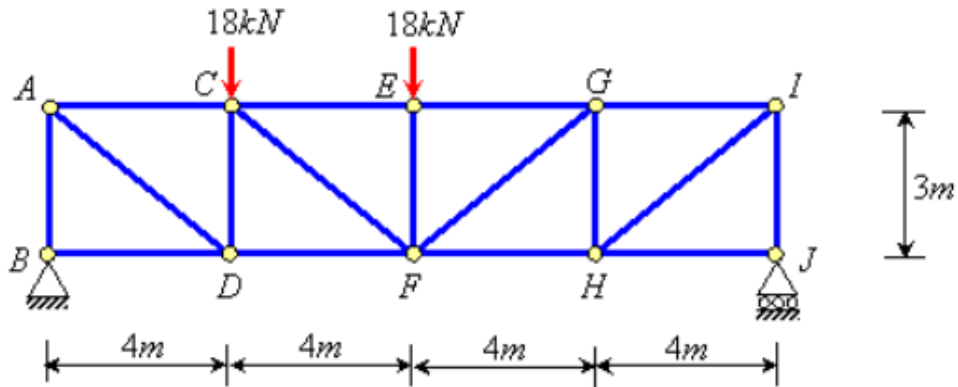


Figure Q.1 (a)

- ii) State Castagliano's 2nd theorem and show that the deflection of a frame using this principle is given by $[-\lambda = \frac{\delta U}{\delta R}]$ (20 marks)

(10 marks)

QUESTION 2

- i) A braced span AB shown in figure Q.2(a) supports a vertical load of 100kN. find the maximum deflection in span AB and the deflection at C in terms of EI using **moment area method**.

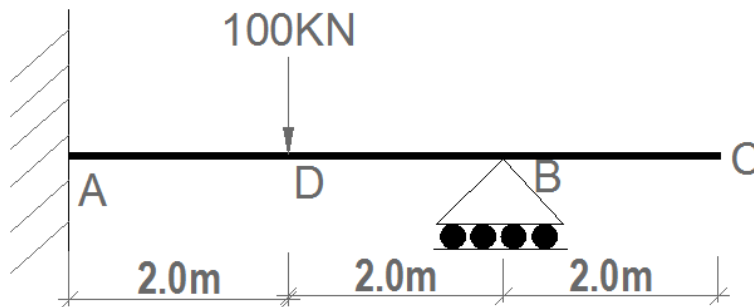


Figure Q.2(a)

- ii) State Castagliano's 1st theorem and show the equation associated with it. (17 marks)
- (3 marks)

QUESTION 3

Figure Q.3 shows a continuous beam loaded with a **udl** along the whole span. Using conjugate beam method, determine deflection at point **d** using **conjugate beam method**.

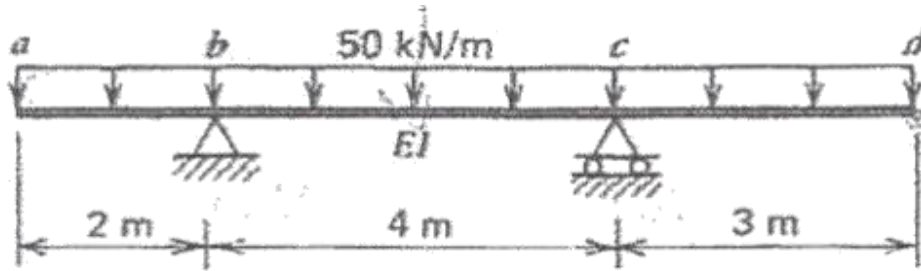
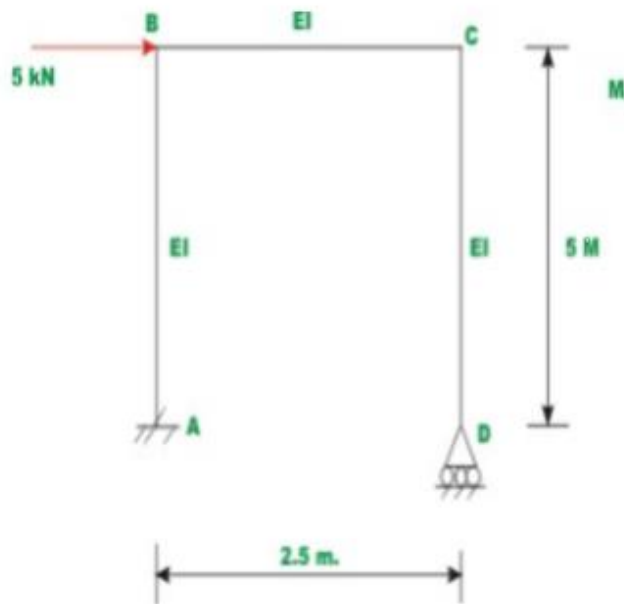


Figure Q.3

(18 marks)

QUESTION 4

- i) State the principle of virtual work and explain how it's applied in the analysis of trusses.
 - i. (3 marks)
- ii) Find the horizontal displacement at joint B of the frame ABCD as shown in Figure Q.4 (b) by virtual work method. Assume EI to be constant for all members.



(17 marks)

Figure Q.4 (b)

QUESTION 5

Determine the value of reaction at support D for the beam shown in figure Q.5 using the method of least work.

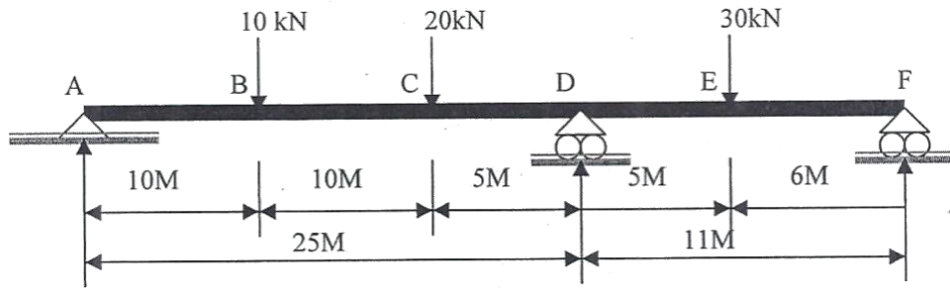


Figure Q.5

(20 marks)

