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**SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION**  
**SERIES: SEPT. 2017**  
**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**Instructions to Candidates**

You should have the following for this examination

*-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID*

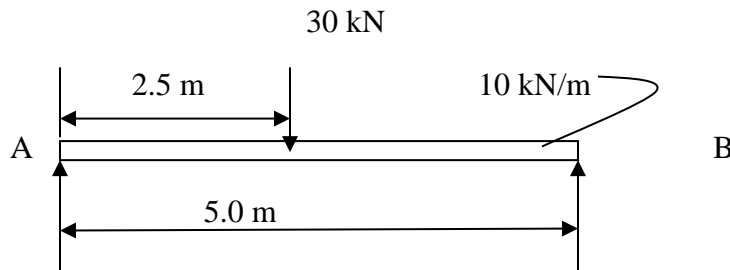
This paper consists of four questions.

Answer question ONE (COMPULSORY) and any other TWO questions

**Do not write on the question paper.**

**QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)**

- (a) A 305 x 102 x 33 kg/m UB has a value of  $Z_{xx} = 414.6 \text{ cm}^3$ . Calculate the safe uniformly distributed load for this beam for an effective span of 4.5 m, if the working stress is  $165 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . **(5.5 marks)**
- (b) A universal beam of 4.0 m effective span is required to carry central load of 50 kN. Select a suitable section from the steel tables provided. Steel working stress  $f = 165 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . **(5.5 marks)**
- (c) A beam of 5.0 m effective span is loaded as shown in Figure 1.1. Assuming a maximum stress of  $165 \text{ N/mm}^2$ , calculate the necessary section modulus of the beam.



**Figure 1.1:** Loaded beam

**(19 marks)**



**Table 4.1:** Effective length of compression members

End conditions		$\frac{\text{effective length}}{\text{actual length}} = \frac{L_e}{L}$
(a)	Restrained at both ends in position and in direction	0.7
(b)	Restrained at both ends in position and one end in direction	0.85
(c)	Restrained at both ends in position but not in direction	1.0
(d)	Restrained at one end in position and direction and at the other end in direction but not in position	1.5
(e)	Restrained at one end in position and direction and free at the other end	2.0

**Table 21, BS 5268****Table 4.2:** Softwood species/grade combinations which satisfy the requirements for strength classes graded to BS4978

Standard name	Strength class				
	SC1	SC2	SC3	SC4	SC5
Redwood			GS/M50	SS	M75
Whitewood			GS/M50	SS	M75
Western red cedar	GS	SS			
Scots Pine			GS/M50	SS	M75

**Table 3, BS 5268****Table 4.3:** Grade stresses and moduli of elasticity for strength classes for the dry exposure condition (based on Table 9, BS5268)

Strength class	Bending parallel to grain (N/mm <sup>2</sup> )	Tension parallel to grain (N/mm <sup>2</sup> )	Compression parallel to grain (N/mm <sup>2</sup> )	Compression perpendicular to grain (N/mm <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>a</sup>		Shear parallel to grain (N/mm <sup>2</sup> )	Modulus of elasticity (N/mm <sup>2</sup> )		Approx. density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>b</sup>
				2.1	1.2		E <sub>mean</sub>	E <sub>min</sub>	
SC1	2.8	2.2	3.5	2.1	1.2	0.46	6800	4500	540
SC2	4.1	2.5	5.3	2.1	1.6	0.66	8000	5000	540
SC3	5.3	3.2	6.8	2.2	1.7	0.67	8800	5800	540
SC4	7.5	4.5	7.9	2.4	1.9	0.71	9900	6600	590
SC5	10.0	6.0	8.7	2.8	2.4	1.00	10700	7100	590/760

<sup>a</sup> When the specification specifically prohibits wane at bearing areas, the higher values may be taken,

<sup>b</sup> Crude estimates of the densities,

**Table 4.4:** Modification factor  $K_3$  for duration of loading

Duration of loading	Value of $K_3$
Long term (e.g. dead + permanent imposed <sup>a</sup> )	1.00
Medium term (e.g. dead + snow, dead + temporary imposed)	1.25
Short term (e.g. dead + imposed + wind <sup>b</sup> , dead + imposed + snow + wind <sup>b</sup> )	1.50
Very short term (e.g. dead + imposed + wind <sup>c</sup> )	1.75

**Table 17, BS 5268**

<sup>a</sup> For imposed floor loads  $K_3 = 1.00$

<sup>b</sup> For wind, short term category applies to class C (15 s gust) as defined in CP 3: Chapter V: Part 2

<sup>c</sup> For wind, very short term category applies to classes A and B (3 or 5 s gust) as defined in CP 3: Chapter V: Part 2

**Table 4.5:** Modification factor  $K_{12}$  for compression members

$\frac{E}{\sigma_c}$	Value $K_{12}$																
	Value of slenderness ratio $\lambda$																
	< 5	5	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	120	140	160	180	200
800	1.00 0	0.97 5	0.95 2	0.903	0.851	0.79 2	0.72 4	0.64 9	0.57 2	0.49 7	0.43 0	0.37 1	0.28 0	0.21 7	0.17 2	0.13 9	0.11 5
900	1.00 0	0.97 5	0.95 2	0.904	0.853	0.79 7	0.73 4	0.66 5	0.59 3	0.52 2	0.45 6	0.39 7	0.30 4	0.23 7	0.18 8	0.15 3	0.12 7

**Table 22, BS 5268**