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HIGHER DIPLOMA 12

EBC 3112: THEORY OF STRUCTURES II

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SERIES: APRIL 2012

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions

Answer any **THREE** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are clearly shown

This paper consists of **FOUR** printed pages

Question 1 (20 marks)

- a) Determine support reactions at support A and B for Three-pinned parabolic arch in figure 1 (15 marks)
- b) Determine moments at points P, Q and R (5 marks)

B

Question 2 (20 marks)

- a) Sketch influence line diagrams for reaction A, B and also influence diagrams for shear force and bending moment at point E for the beam in figure 2 (14 marks)
- b) Determine shear force and bending moment at point E for the TWO travelling loads (6 marks)

D

Question 3 (20 marks)

- a) Determine reactions A and B for the three-pinned arch in figure 3 (14 marks)

- b) Determine bending moments at point D and E
D

(6 marks)

Question 4 (20 marks)

- a) Define the following:

- (i) Reaction influence line
- (ii) Shear force influence line
- (iii) Bending moment influence line
- (iv) Deflection influence line

(8 marks)

- b) Determine positive shear force and bending moment at point C for the beam subjected to travelling load in figure 4
4.0m

Question 5 (20 marks)

- a) Sketch shear stress diagram for the section of beam in figure 5

(12 marks)

- b) Sketch bending stress diagram for the beam in figure 5

(8 marks)

Fig. 5(a)

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