



# THE MOMBASA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

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DIPLOMA IN BUILDING & CIVIL ENGINEERING

**EBC 22011: STRENGTH OF MATERIALS II**

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

**SERIES: NOVEMBER 2011**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**Instructions to Candidates:**

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions

- Answer Booklet
- Pocket Calculator

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** in **SECTION A** and any other **TWO** questions in **SECTION B**

Marks are indicated for each part of the question

This paper consists of **FOUR** printed pages

**SECTION A (Answer all questions in this section - 30 Marks)**

### Question One

- a) With the aid of a stress-strain graph, sketch the behavior of mild steel in tension, indicating all the critical points (10 marks)
- b) Define the following terms related to 1(a)
- (i) Hooke's Law
  - (ii) Limit of Proportionality
  - (iii) Elastic limit
  - (iv) Yield point
  - (v) Maximum stress
  - (vi) Permissible working stress (12 marks)
- c) Resolve the member forces in figure 1. Determine whether in tension or compression (8 marks)

Figure 1

### SECTION A (Answer all questions in this section - 20 Marks each)

#### Question Two

Using the method of joint resolution, determine the forces in each member of the frame and state whether it's a strut or a tie (20 marks)

60°

#### Question Three

- a) Define the following:

- i) Centre of gravity
- ii) Centre of area (centroid)
- iii) Second moment of area (8 marks)

b) For the figure 3 shown, calculate the second moment of area about x-x and y-y (12 marks)

Figure 3

**Question Four**

- a) Define the following
  - (i) Reaction
  - (ii) Shear force
  - (iii) Bending moment (6 marks)
- b) Sketch the shear force and bending moment diagrams for figure 2 indicating the critical values (14 marks)

40KN/m

**Question Five**

a) A short rigid bar weighing 29.4KN is suspended by copper and steel wires of areas 150mm<sup>2</sup> and 60mm<sup>2</sup> respectively as shown in figure 5

Determine:

- (i) The stress in each rod
- (ii) Extension of each rod

$$E_{st} = 205\text{KN/mm}^2$$
$$E_c = 93\text{KN/mm}^2$$

(15 marks)

Figure 5

- b) A mass of concrete pier (column) of a rectangular cross-section 650 x 800mm and 22m long carries an axial compressive load of  $2.5 \times 10^6\text{N}$
- i) Determine the stress in the concrete at the base of the pier
  - ii) The amount of shortening that will occur in the pier. Density of concrete  $24\text{KN/m}^3$
- (5 marks)

