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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

ECE 2317: THEORY OF STRUCTURES IV

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SERIES: DECEMBER 2011

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- Answer booklet
- Battery Powered Programmable Calculators may be used

This paper consists of FIVE questions

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

Maximum marks for each part of a question are clearly shown

This paper consists of THREE printed pages

SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

Question 1 (30 marks)

a) State the following:

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| (i) | Castigliano's First Theorem | (2 marks) |
| (ii) | Castigliano Second Theorem | (2 marks) |
| (iii) | First Moment of Area Theorem | (2 marks) |
| (iv) | Second Moment of Area Theorem | (2 marks) |
| (v) | Principle of Virtual Work | (2 marks) |

b) A beam ABC is simply supported at A and B and overhangs from B to C. The span from A to B has a length of 10m, and the overhang has a length of 4m. A concentrated load of 40KN acts at point D, which is 4m from the support at A, and another concentrated load of 10KN acts at C on

the overhang. Using the moment area method, calculate the angles of rotation θ_A and θ_B and the deflection δ_c at the free end C
Figure 1 (Take $E = 200\text{GPa}$ and $I = 1.28 \times 10^9 \text{ mm}^4$) (20 marks)

SECTION B (Answer any TWO questions from this section)

Question 2 (20 marks)

Using Castigliano's First Theorem determine the vertical deflection at node 3 (20 marks)

Figure 2 (Take $E = 210\text{KN/mm}^2$ and 5cm^2 for all members)

Question 3 (20 marks)

The beam shown is of constant modulus throughout. It is loaded with a single concentrated load of 10KN at end A of the overhang AB. The beam has an internal pin at C. Using the conjugate beam method

- (i) Find the displacement and rotation at point A
- (ii) Sketch the deflection diagram and label the important points (20 marks)

Figure 3 (Take $EI = 10\text{MNm}^2$)

Question 4 (20 marks)

Using Castigliano's Second Theorem determine the member forces in the braced frame shown in the figure below taking 2-5 to be the redundant member (20 marks)

Figure 4 (Assume EA is constant for all members)

Question 5 (20 marks)

The single-bay portal frame ABCDE shown below is of constant cross-section throughout, and pinned to rigid foundations at A and D. It is loaded along the beam with 10KN centrally placed and a uniformly distributed load of 15KN/m.

Determine the bending moment at B and C and draw the bending moment diagram (20 marks)

Figure 5