

III B.Tech I Semester Regular Examinations, November 2006
FINITE ELEMENT METHOD
(Mechatronics)

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 80

Answer any FIVE Questions
 All Questions carry equal marks

1. Explain the different approaches of getting the finite element equations. [16]
2. Derive stiffness equations for a bar element from the one dimensional second order equation by variated approach. [16]
3. Estimate the displacement vector, stresses and reactions for the truss structure as shown below Figure3:

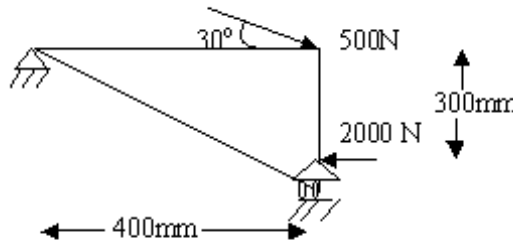


Figure 3

Note: - Area is not given and assumed as $A^{(e)} = 1\text{mm}^2$ 'E' is not given. Assumed as $E = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ [16]

4. Find the deflection at the point of the load of the steel shaft as shown in figure4 : take $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$. [16]

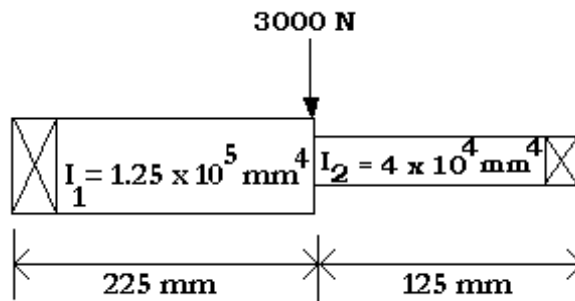


Figure 4

5. (a) Discuss the significance and applications of triangular elements.
- (b) Two dimensional simplex elements are used to find the pressure distribution in a fluid medium. The (x, y) coordinates of nodes i, j and k of an element are given by (2, 4), (4, 0) and (2, 6) respectively. Find the shape functions N_i , N_j and N_k of the element. [10+6]

6. Derive the conductivity matrix and vector for the 2-D element when one of the faces is exposed to a heat transfer coefficient of h at T_∞ and with internal heat generation of q W/m³. [16]
7. Explain the following with examples.
 - (a) Lumped parameter model.
 - (b) Consistant mass matrix model. [8+8]
8. Describe the use of linear interpolation polynomials for a three-dimensional tetrahedron element in terms of natural (volume) coordinate system. [16]

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1. (a) Explain briefly a plane strain problem with suitable examples.
 (b) Derive the material constitutive matrix for a plane stress problem. [8+8]
2. Derive stiffness equations for a bar element from the one dimensional second order equation by variated approach. [16]
3. Estimate the displacement vector, stresses and reactions for the truss structure as shown below Figure3:

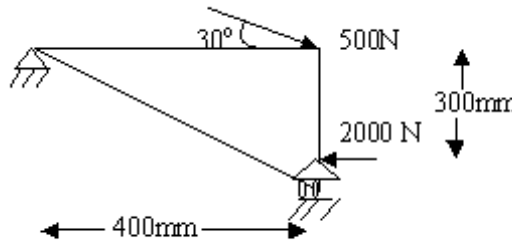


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4. Estimate the stiffness matrix and the deflection at the center of the simply supported beam of length 3 m. A 50 kN of load is acting at the center of the beam. Take $EI = 800 \times 10^3 \text{ N-m}^2$. [16]
5. (a) Discuss the significance and applications of triangular elements.
 (b) Two dimensional simplex elements are used to find the pressure distribution in a fluid medium. The (x, y) coordinates of nodes i, j and k of an element are given by (2, 4), (4, 0) and (2, 6) respectively. Find the shape functions N_i , N_j and N_k of the element. [10+6]
6. The coordinates of the nodes of a triangular element are 1(-1,4), 2(5,2) and 3(3,6) of thickness 0.2 cm. The convection takes place over all surfaces with a heat transfer coefficient of $150 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$ and $T_\infty = 30^\circ\text{C}$. Determine the conductivity matrix and load vector if the internal heat generation is 200 W/cm^3 . Assume thermal conductivity the element is 100 W/m K . [16]
7. Derive the elemental lumped and consistent mass matrices for 1-D bar element and 1-D plane truss element? [16]

8. When will a finite element is called an element from the Lagrange family? Establish shape functions and write Jacobian matrix for any two, three dimensional elements of Lagrange family. [6+5+5]

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1. Explain the different approaches of getting the finite element equations. [16]
2. Explain the mathematical interpretation of finite element method for one dimensional field problems. [16]
3. (a) Compare the characteristics of beam element with the truss element?
 (b) Derive the load vector for the specified uniform distributed load over the plane truss element? [6+10]
4. Consider a beam with uniform distributed load as shown in the figure4. Estimate the deflection at the centre of the beam.
 $E = 200 \text{ Gpa}$; $A = 25 \text{ mm} \times 0.25 \text{ mm}$. [16]

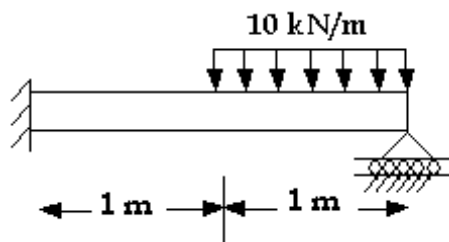


Figure 4

5. Explain in detail how the element stiffness matrix and load vector are evaluated in isoparametric formulations. [16]
6. Compute the elemental conductivity matrix and load vector for the 2-D triangular element as shown in figure6. The faces 1-3 and 2-3 are exposed to a convection and there is an internal heat generation of 50 W/cm^3 . Assume thermal conductivity is 60 W/m K . [16]

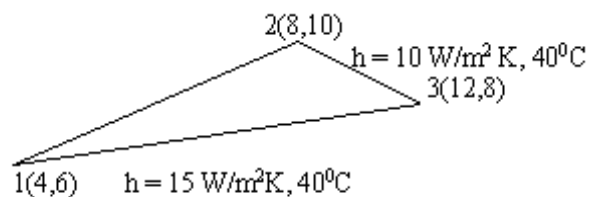


Figure 6

7. Explain the following with examples.

(a) Lumped parameter model.

(b) Consistant mass matrix model.

[8+8]

8. Explain the following semiautomatic mesh generation techniques

(a) Conformal mapping approach

(b) Mapped element approach.

[4+4+4+4]

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1. Derive the various equations for static equilibrium of an elastic body. [16]
2. An elastic bar is having a uniform cross sectional of area 'A' mm² and length 'L' mm. It is fixed at one end and other end is allowed to move along the axis of the elastic bar. A force 'F' KN is acting at the free end and the Youngs Modulus is 'E' N/mm². Calculate the displacement at the free end. [16]
3. Estimate the displacement vector, stresses and reactions for the truss structure as shown below Figure3:

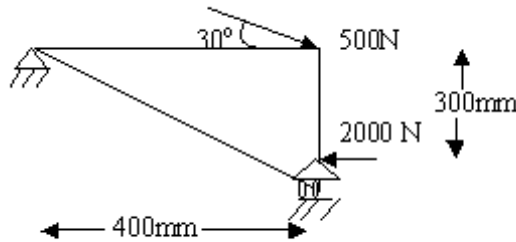


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4. Define and derive the Hermite shape functions for a two noded beam element? [16]
5. Calculate the nodal forces of the four node axisymmetric finite element shown in figure5 when the element is subjected to centrifugal loading. [16]

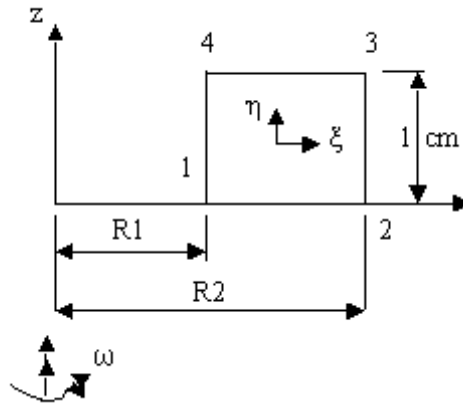


Figure 5

6. Derive the element conductivity matrix and load vector for solving 1-D heat conduction problems, if one of the surfaces is exposed to a heat transfer coefficient of h and ambient temperature of T_∞ ? [16]
7. Consider the axial vibrations of a steel bar shown in the figure7:
- Develop global stiffness and mass matrices,
 - Determine the natural frequencies? [8+8]

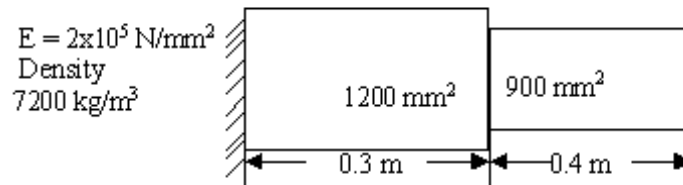


Figure 7

8. (a) Sketch any three 3-D structural element showing their degrees of freedoms.
- (b) Derive the shape function of any one of the 3-D structural element. [8+8]
