

2014

**B.E. (Mechanical Engineering)**  
**Fourth Semester**  
**MEC-402: Mechanics of Solids**

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

**NOTE:** Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting two questions from each Part. Use usual notations and symbols for derivations. Assume suitably missing data if any. All questions carry equal marks.

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**Q.1** Provide brief and clear answers to the following:

- How do brittle and ductile materials fail? What are the failure theories used for them?
- What is Cauchy's stress theorem?
- What is virtual work principle? Explain.
- What is Castigliano's first theorem used for?
- What Soderberg's criteria?

**Part A**

**Q.2** The state of stress at a point in a member relative to a  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  coordinate system is

$$[\sigma] = \begin{matrix} 20 & 10 & 10 \\ 10 & 30 & 0 \\ -10 & 0 & 50 \end{matrix} \text{ MPa.}$$

Determine the normal stress  $\sigma$  and shearing stress  $\tau$  on the surface intersecting the point and parallel to the plane  $2x + y - 3z = 9$ .

**Q.3** If the stress field given by

$$\sigma_x = pyx^3 - 2c_1xy + c_2y$$

$$\sigma_y = pxy^3 - 2px^3y$$

$$\tau_{xy} = \frac{3}{2}px^2y^2 + c_1y^2 + \frac{1}{2}px^4 + c_3$$

acts in the thin plate shown and  $p$  is a known constant, determine the  $c$ 's so that the edges  $x = \pm a$  are free of shearing stress and no normal stress acts on the edge  $x = a$ .

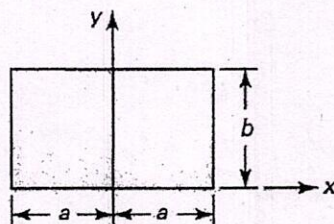


Figure: Q.3

**Q.4** A square prismatic bar of sides 0.05m is subjected to an axial tensile force  $F_m = 90\text{kN}$ . The fatigue strength for completely reversed stress at  $10^6$  cycles is  $S_E = 210\text{MPa}$ , and the static tensile yield strength is  $S_Y = 280\text{MPa}$ . Apply the Soderberg criterion to determine the limiting value of completely reversed axial load  $F_a$  that can be superimposed on  $F_m$  at the midpoint of a side of the cross-section without causing fatigue failure at  $10^6$  cycles.

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## Part - B

**Q.5** A square thin-walled tube of mean dimension  $a \times a$  and a circular thin-walled tube of mean diameter  $c$ , both of the same material, length, thickness  $t$ , and cross-sectional area, are subjected to the same torque. Determine the ratios of the shearing stresses and angle of twist of the tubes.

**Q.6** Cables AB and BC each have an effective area of  $125\text{mm}^2$ . The length of the cables AB and BC are 500mm and 750mm, respectively. A vertical force of  $P = 8\text{kN}$  is applied to joint B. If the cables are steel with  $E = 200\text{GPa}$ , determine the stresses in the cables and the deflection of point B. You *must* use the method of *virtual loads* to solve the problem.

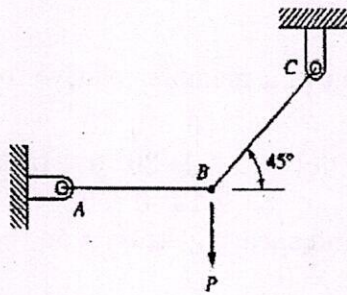


Figure: Q.6

**Q.7** A three element rectangular rosette strain gage is mounted on a steel specimen. For a particular state of loading of the structure the strain gage readings are

$$\epsilon_A = 200\mu, \epsilon_B = 900\mu, \text{ and } \epsilon_C = 1000\mu.$$

Determine the principal strains and stresses and their orientation relative to the axis of the A gage. Let  $E = 200\text{GPa}$  and  $\nu = 0.285$

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