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**B. Tech**  
**FEME 6301**

**Sixth Semester Regular Examination – 2015**

**FINITE ELEMENT METHOD**

**BRANCH : MECH**

**QUESTION CODE : J 440**

**Full Marks – 70**

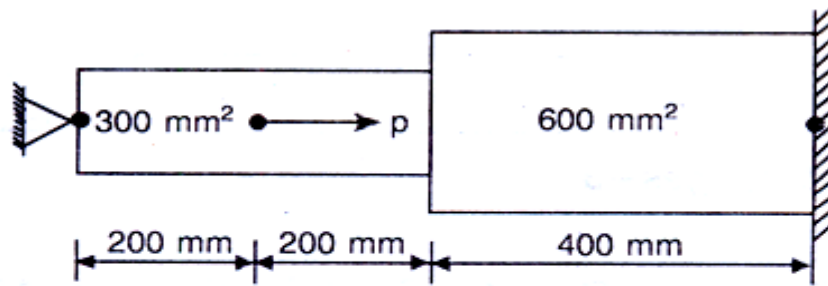
**Time : 3 Hours**



*Answer Question No. 1 which is compulsory and any **five** from the rest.  
The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*

1. Answer the following questions : 2×10
  - (a) During discretization, mention the places where it is necessary to place a node ?
  - (b) State the principle of minimum potential energy.
  - (c) What do you mean by constitutive law ?
  - (d) Why polynomial types of interpolation functions are mostly used in FEM ?
  - (e) What is meant by degrees of freedom ?
  - (f) What are the types of loading acting on the structure ?
  - (g) Write down the expression of stiffness matrix for a truss element.
  - (h) Write down the stiffness matrix equation for one dimensional heat conduction element.
  - (i) Write the post processing steps for FEM.
  - (j) Name two FEA softwares.
2.
  - (a) Describe the general steps of the finite element method. 5
  - (b) Derive the strain displacement matrix for a 2-noded one dimensional bar element. 5
3. Consider the bar as shown in figure below. Calculate the following : 10
  - (i) Nodal displacements
  - (ii) Element stresses
  - (iii) Support reactions.

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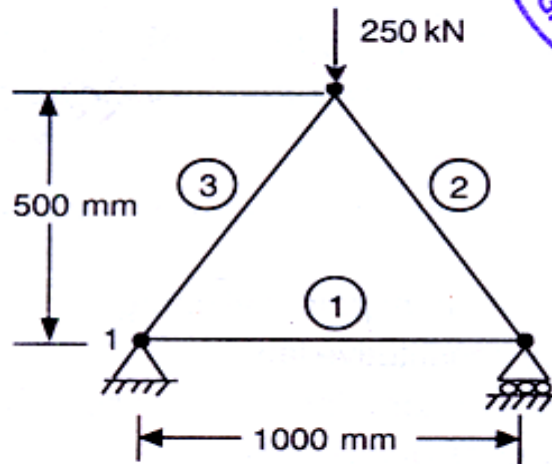
Take  $E = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ ;  $P = 400 \text{ kN}$ .

4. Consider a three bar truss as shown in figure below. It is given that  $E = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . Calculate the following :

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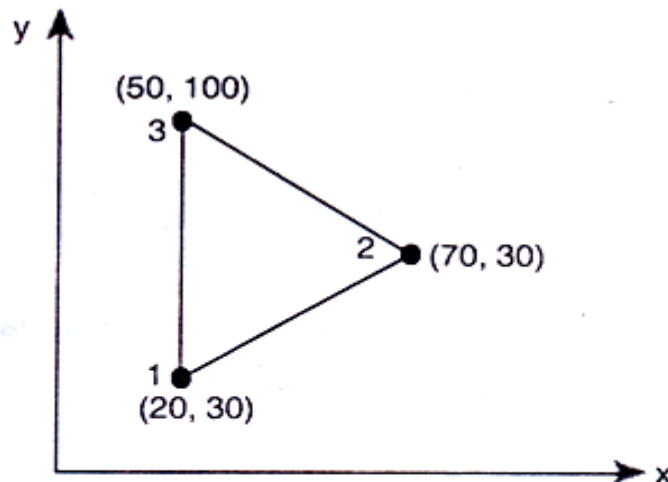
- (i) Nodal displacements
- (ii) Stress in each member
- (iii) Reactions at the support

Take Area of element 1, 2 and 3 are  $2000 \text{ mm}^2$ ,  $2500 \text{ mm}^2$  and  $2500 \text{ mm}^2$  respectively

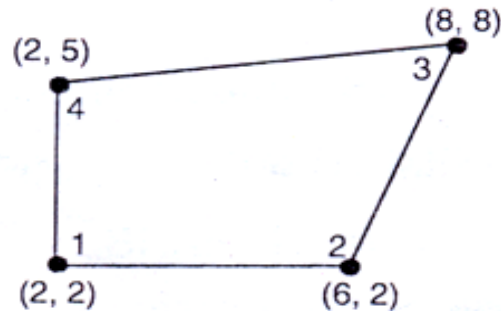


5. Assemble the Strain-Displacement matrix for the CST element shown in figure below. Take,  $t = 25 \text{ mm}$  and  $E = 210 \text{ GPa}$ . The co-ordinates are shown in units of millimeters.

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6. (a) For the isoparametric four noded quadrilateral element shown in figure below, determine the cartesian co-ordinates of point P which has local co-ordinates  $\xi = 0.25$  and  $\eta = 0.25$ . 5

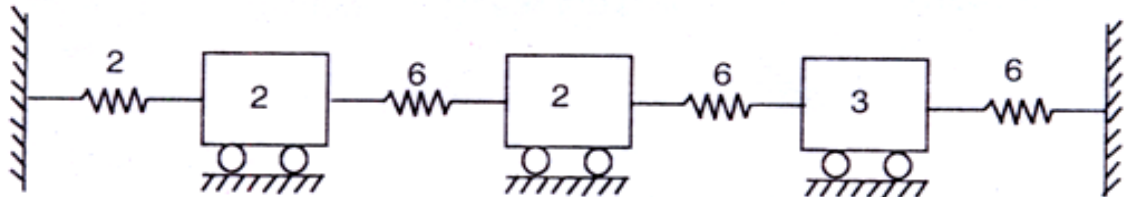


- (b) The nodal co-ordinates for an axisymmetric triangular element are given below :

$$r_1 = 15 \text{ mm}, z_1 = 15 \text{ mm}; r_2 = 25 \text{ mm}, z_2 = 15 \text{ mm}; r_3 = 35 \text{ mm}, z_3 = 50 \text{ mm}.$$

Determine [B] matrix for that element. 5

7. (a) Derive the stiffness matrix for one dimensional heat conduction element. 5  
 (b) Give the FE modeling for vibration of the system given in figure below : 5



8. Write short notes on any **two** :

5 × 2

- The applications of FEM.
- The basic steps involved in FEM.
- Variational Methods.
- Constant Strain Triangle elements.

