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VASAVI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (AUTONOMOUS), HYDERABAD

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B.E. (Mech. Engg.) VII-Semester Main & Backlog Examinations, Dec.-23/Jan.-24

Finite Element Analysis

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 60

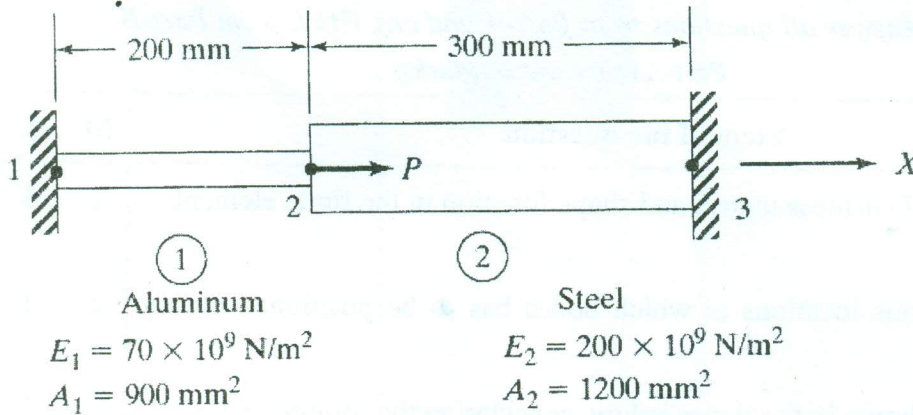
Note: Answer all questions from Part-A and any FIVE from Part-B

Part-A (10 × 2 = 20 Marks)

Q. No.	Stem of the question	M	L	CO	PO
1.	What is the role of stiffness matrix and shape function in the finite element method?	2	1	1	1
2.	Mention the various locations at which nodes has to be positioned during discretization.	2	1	1	1
3.	For the beam as shown in the figure below, considering the minimum number of elements for discretization , compute the global nodal load vector	2	3	2	2
4.	Sketch the shape functions for the beam element (Hermite shape functions).	2	1	2	1
5.	Write the material matrix for plane stress condition in the finite element method.	2	1	3	1
6.	Sketch a 6-noded linear triangular element	2	1	3	1
7.	State the convergence requirements of displacements functions.	2	1	4	1
8.	Calculate the Integral $I = \int_{-1}^1 [x^2 + \sin(\frac{\pi x}{2})] dx$. using 2-point Gaussian Quadrature Method. Given the gauss points are $\pm (\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$ and their weights are 1 , 1 .	2	3	4	2
9.	What is a coefficient matrix and characteristic polynomial in vibration analysis using FEM approach?	2	1	5	1
10.	Write the lumped and consistent matrices for a beam element.	2	1	5	1
Part-B (5 × 8 = 40 Marks)					
11. a)	Discuss in brief the concept of Minimum Potential Energy as applied to finite element method.	3	2	1	1

- b) Calculate the nodal displacements in the stepped bar, when an axial load (P) = 200 kN acts on it as shown in the figure below

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Where A, E denotes the Area of cross section and Young's modulus respectively.

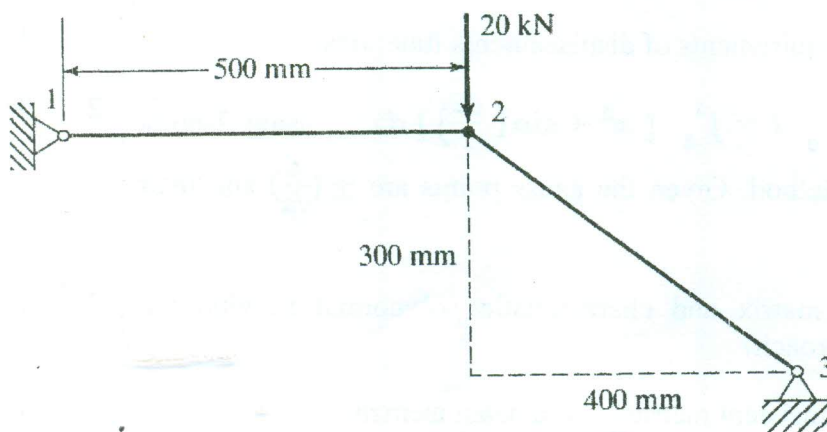
12. a) Derive the stiffness matrix for a truss element in global co-ordinate system.

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- b) For the two-bar truss subjected to a load of (P)= 20 kN as shown in the figure below, compute the

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- a) Element stiffness matrix for each element
- b) Global stiffness matrix



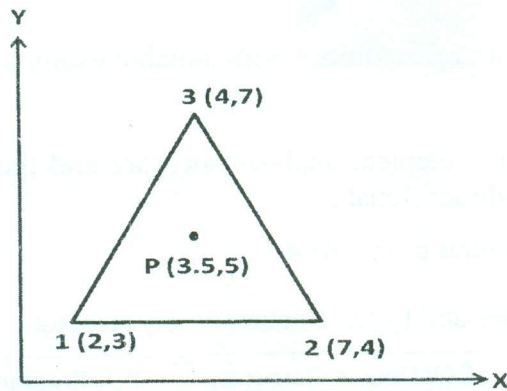
Both the bars are having same Young's Modulus (E) = 200GPa and same cross sectional area (A) = 300mm²

13. a) Derive the shape functions for a 3-noded linear triangular element.

4 2 3 1

b) Calculate the shape functions N_1 , N_2 and N_3 at the interior point P for the triangular element as shown in the figure below.

4 3 3 2



14. a) Derive the thermal stiffness matrix due to heat transfer by conduction alone in the case of 1-dimensional linear element

4 2 4 1

b) Explain in detail the sequence of steps for a structural problem solving through FE software.

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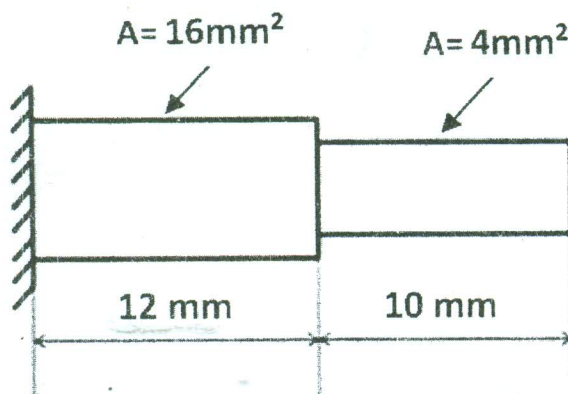
15. a) Derive the consistent mass matrix for a 1-dimensional linear Bar element.

3 3 5 2

b) Compute the natural frequencies of longitudinal vibration of the steel stepped bar as shown in the figure below.

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Consider young's modulus $(E) = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$, density $(\rho) = 7830 \text{ Kg/m}^3$.



Where A denotes the Area of cross section.

16. a) List the steps involved in finite element formulation and discuss about any two engineering applications of the Finite Element Method.

4 2 1 1

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17.	<p>b) Explain the FEM procedure adopted for analyzing any beam subjected to static load. Consider at least 2-elements, point load and distributed load in the finite element model, clearly indicating the stiffness matrices, force vector and the boundary conditions.</p> <p>Answer any <i>two</i> of the following:</p> <p>a) Discuss about plane stress and plane strain conditions with suitable example for each condition.</p> <p>b) Explain the various stages in any finite element analysis software and the type of elements used for analyzing 1-dimensional , 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional structural problems.</p> <p>c) Discuss the importance of Eigen Values and Eigen Vectors of any structure</p>	<p>4 2 2 1</p> <p>4 2 3 1</p> <p>4 2 4 1</p> <p>4 2 5 1</p>
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M : Marks; L: Bloom's Taxonomy Level; CO; Course Outcome; PO: Programme Outcome

i)	Blooms Taxonomy Level – 1	20%
ii)	Blooms Taxonomy Level – 2	40%
iii)	Blooms Taxonomy Level – 3 & 4	40%
