

# GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

BE - SEMESTER-IV EXAMINATION – SUMMER 2025

**Subject Code:3140101**

**Date:19-05-2025**

**Subject Name:Aircraft Structures**

**Time:10:30 AM TO 01:00 PM**

**Total Marks:70**

**Instructions:**

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.

		Marks
Q.1	(a) What are the functions of ribs and spars?	03
	(b) Mention key advantages of sandwich structure.	04
	(c) Explain the types of load on Aircraft and its parts in flight.	07
Q.2	(a) State the uses of stringers and longerons.	03
	(b) Explain the role of bulkheads in detail.	04
	(c) Explain the energy method to calculate the buckling loads in columns.	07
	OR	
	(c) Derive energy equation method for bending of thin plates.	07
Q.3	(a) How the structure of passenger aircraft is different from fighter aircraft? Discuss in detail.	03
	(b) Name the different type of Materials used in Aircraft wing.	04
	(c) Write short note on unit load method.	07
	OR	
Q.3	(a) Define Principal Moment of Inertia.	03
	(b) Suggest different way of reducing the effect of buckling in long column.	04
	(c) Explain the derivation for Bending stress in unsymmetrical section.	07
Q.4	(a) Enlist various methods to find slope and deflection. Mention the assumptions required for deriving the differential equation.	03
	(b) What is load factor? How it is determined?	04
	(c) Define: Crushing Load, Slenderness Ratio and Radius of Gyration.	07
	OR	
Q.4	(a) Explain stress & strain.	03
	(b) Enlist different types of trusses.	04
	(c) Draw the probable sketches that represent the buckled shape of the column with different support conditions.	07
Q.5	(a) What is the difference between Symmetrical Bending and Unsymmetrical Bending?	03
	(b) Explain monocoque fuselage structure.	04
	(c) Explain strain and displacement relationships for open and single cell closed section thin-walled beams.	07
	OR	
Q.5	(a) Write down the difference between torsion of open and closed Sections.	03
	(b) State the assumption made in Euler's theory of column buckling.	04
	(c) Explain stability of beam under transverse and axial loads.	07

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