

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

BE- SEMESTER-VII (NEW) EXAMINATION – WINTER 2024

Subject Code:3171920

Date:27-11-2024

Subject Name: Finite Element Methods

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.

- Q.1** (a) How do you mesh a given geometry? **03**
(b) What are important material property to be considered in FEM? **04**
(c) Enlist step by step procedure for Finite Element Analysis starting from a given differential equation. **07**
- Q.2** (a) Draw different types of 1D, 2D and 3D elements. **03**
(b) State various applications of FEM in different fields of engineering. **04**
(c) Derive the shape function for beam element. **07**
- OR**
- (c) The structure in **Figure 1** is subjected to an increase in temperature $\Delta T = 100^\circ\text{C}$. Determine the displacements, stresses, and support reactions. **07**
- Q.3** (a) Write Boundary conditions, force vector and stiffness matrix for Beams. **03**
(b) What is Linear triangle element in FEA? Derive its stiffness matrix. **04**
(c) Derive the relation between a bar element and a truss element. **07**
- OR**
- Q.3** (a) Write down the shape functions for an axisymmetric element. **03**
(b) Comment on the statement: "Finite Element Analysis plays a crucial role in the new product development process." **04**
(c) Write short note on FEM convergence requirements. **07**
- Q.4** (a) Define shape function. What are the characteristics of shape function? **03**
(b) Discuss the condition in plane stress and plain strain. **04**
(c) Design a beam of ASTM A36 steel with allowable bending stress of 160 MPa to support the load shown in **Figure 2**. Assume a standard wide flange beam from standard material table or some other source can be used. **07**
- OR**
- Q.4** (a) Classify full automatic techniques for mesh generation. **03**
(b) Discuss the term CST & LST. **04**
(c) Derive the stiffness matrix for one dimensional thermal element. **07**
- Q.5** (a) Write the Lagrangian interpolation function. **03**
(b) Discuss the role of interpolation function in FEA and derive shape functions for 1-D linear element. **04**
(c) Illustrate the Plane Frames element with neat sketch indicating degree of freedoms. How it is differed from beam element. Write element stiffness matrix K, transformation matrix L and load vector F. **07**

OR

- Q.5 (a) State the methods of engineering analysis. 03
 (b) In quadratic shape functions give the relationship between local and global coordinate system 04
 (c) Write short notes on:Gaussian quadrature integration technique. 07

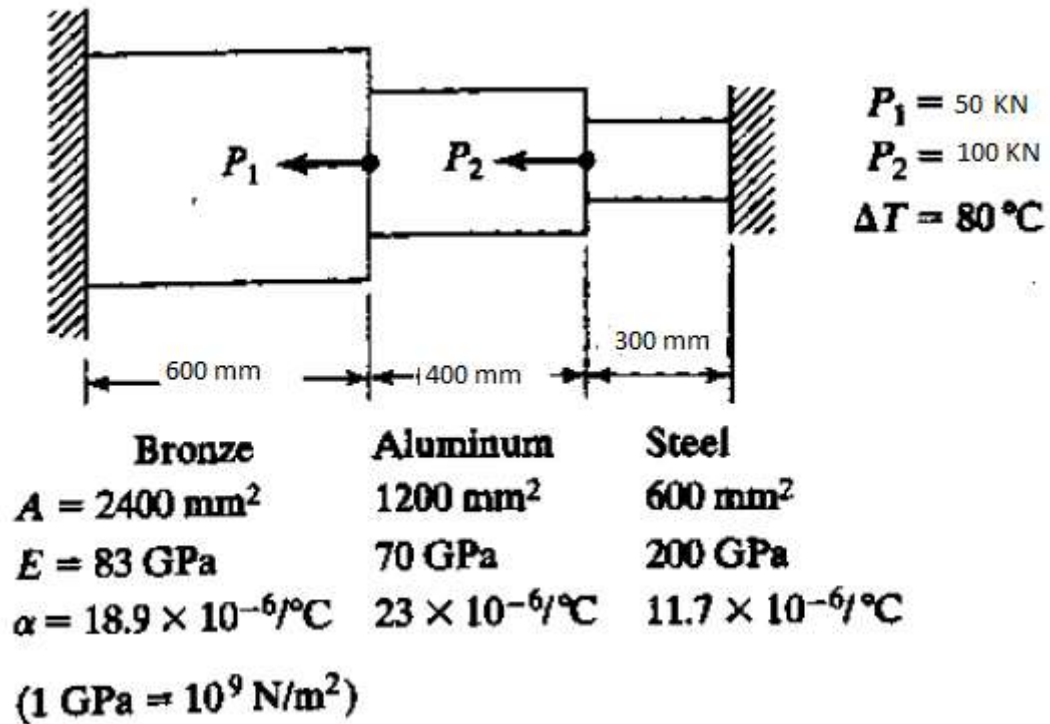


Figure : 1

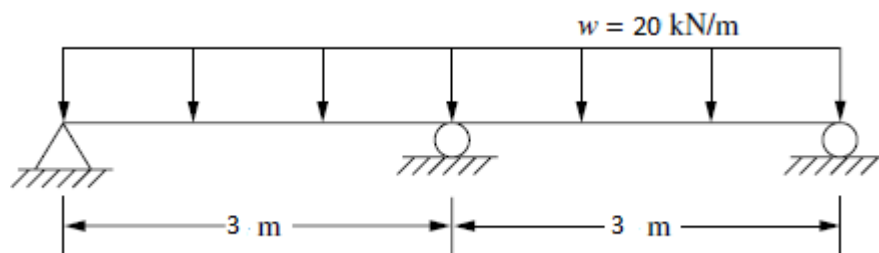


Figure : 2
