

**B.Tech. CIVIL ENGINEERING  
(BTCLEVI)**

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2014**

**BICEE-021 : COMPUTATIONAL METHODS IN  
STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 70*

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*Note : Attempt any **five** questions. All questions carry equal marks. Use of calculator is permitted.*

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1. Define the following : 14
- (a) Isoparametric elements
  - (b) Shape function
  - (c) Constant strain triangle (C.S.T.)
  - (d) Finite element method

2. Solve the following set of equations by Gauss Elimination method. 14

$$y + z = 2$$

$$2x + 3z = 5$$

$$x + y + z = 3$$

3. (a) Locate the stationary points of  $f(x) = 12x^5 - 45x^4 + 40x^3 + 5$  and find out if the function is convex, concave or neither at the points of optima base on testing rules. 7
- (b) Discuss the properties of convex and concave function. 7

4. Minimize  $f = x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + 3x_3^2$  subject to the constraints

$$g_1 = x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3 \leq 12$$

$$g_2 = x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 \leq 18$$

using Kuhn-Tucker conditions. 14

5. Transform the general form of a linear programming problem given below to its standard form and solve it 14

$$\text{Minimize } z = -3x_1 - 5x_2$$

$$\text{Subject to } 2x_1 - 3x_2 \leq 15$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 3$$

$$4x_1 + x_2 \geq 2$$

$$x_1 \geq 0$$

$x_2$  unrestricted.

6. Solve the problem by integer linear programming. 14

$$\text{Maximize } z = 3x_1 + x_2$$

$$\text{Subject to } 2x_1 - x_2 + y_1 = 6$$

$$3x_1 + 9x_2 + y_2 = 45$$

$$x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 \geq 0$$

$x_2$  should be an integer.

7. Invert matrix [a] given by equation

$$[a] = \begin{bmatrix} 30 & -10 & 0 \\ -10 & 15 & -5 \\ 0 & -5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

by Choleski Method.

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