

B.Tech. IN CIVIL ENGINEERING (BTCLEVI)

Term-End Examination

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

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

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

1. Solve the following set of equations by Gauss Elimination Method :

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$$x + y + z = 3$$

$$x + 2y + 2z = 5$$

$$3x + 4y + 4z = 11$$

2. Solve the problem by integer linear programming

Maximize $z = 3x_1 + x_2$

Subject to $2x_1 - x_2 \leq 6$

$$3x_1 + 9x_2 \leq 45$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

x_1 and x_2 are integers.

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3. (a) Discuss the properties of a concave and convex function. 7
- (b) Locate the stationary points of $f(x)$ and find out if the function is convex, concave or neither at the points of optima based on testing rules.

$$f(x) = \frac{2x_1^3}{3} - 2x_1x_2 - 5x_1 + 2x_2^2 + 4x_2 + 5 \quad 7$$

4. Minimize $f = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 60x_1$ subject to the constraints

$$g_1 = x_1 - 80 \geq 0$$

$$g_2 = x_1 + x_2 - 120 \geq 0$$

using Kuhn – Tucker condition. 14

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

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

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 \leq 15$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 3$$

$$4x_1 + x_2 \geq 2$$

$$x_1 \geq 0$$

$$x_2 \text{ unrestricted} \quad 14$$

6. Define any **two** of the following : 2×7=14

- (a) Finite Element Method
- (b) Shape Function
- (c) Duality Theorem
- (d) Kuhn – Tucker Theorem

7. Analyze the rigid frame shown in Fig. 1 by Direct Stiffness Matrix Method. Assume $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$, $I_{zz} = 1.33 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^4$ and $A = 0.04 \text{ m}^2$. The flexural rigidity EI and axial rigidity EA are same for both the beams.

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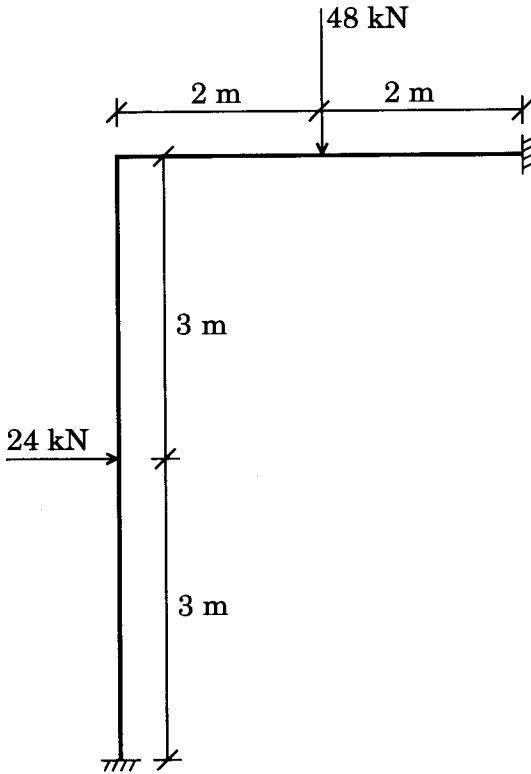


Fig. 1