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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF
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(MMUST)**

MAIN CAMPUS

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE BACHELORS DEGREE

IN

**TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION (CIVIL AND STRUCTURAL
ENGINEERING)**

COURSE CODE: TEB 211

COURSE TITLE: THEORY OF STRUCTURES I

DATE: MONDAY 20TH JANUARY 2020 TIME: 8.00 – 10.00 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer Question **ONE** and any other **TWO** Questions
2. Marks for each question are indicated in the parenthesis.
3. Examination duration is **2 Hours**

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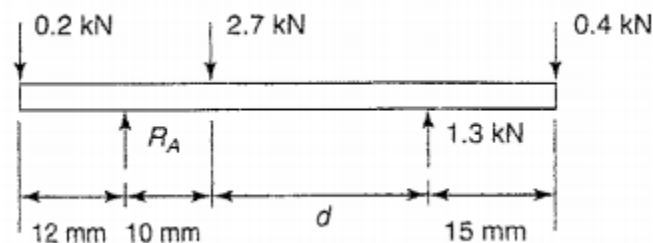
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SECTION A (30 MARKS)**QUESTION 1**

- a) With the aid of sketches explain FOUR Structural Forms. [6 Marks]
- b) Differentiate between:
- i. Pinned and roller support
 - ii. Simply supported and continuous beam
 - iii. Statically determinate and statically indeterminate structures. [6 Marks]
- c) Determine the degree of indeterminacy for the frames shown in **Figure 1**.

**Fig 1a****Fig 1b****[4 Marks]**

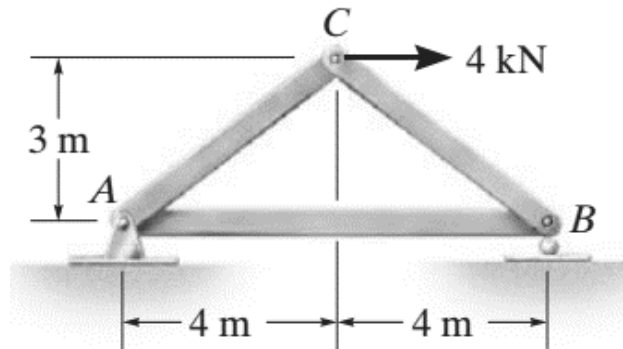
- d) Calculate the force R_A and distance d for the beam shown in **Figure 2**. The mass of the beam should be neglected and equilibrium conditions assumed.

**Figure 2****[10 Marks]**

- e) State the Castigliano's theorem and outline the assumptions made in its application **[4 Marks]**

SECTION B (40 MARKS)**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- (a) The cross-sectional area of each member of the truss shown in **Figure 3** is $A = 400 \text{ mm}^2$ and $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$. Use method of virtual work.

**Figure 3**

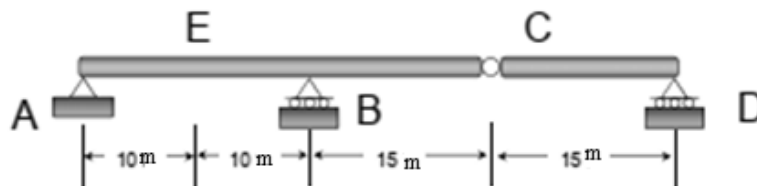
- i. Determine the vertical displacement of joint C if a 4-kN force is applied to the truss at C.

[10 Marks]

- ii. If no loads act on the truss, what would be the vertical displacement of joint C if member AB were 5 mm too short?

[5 Marks]

- (b) Draw the influence lines for the vertical reaction at D and the shear at E in **Figure 4**

**Figure 4****[5 Marks]****QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- (a) A simply supported beam of length 10m, carries the uniformly distributed load and two point loads as shown in **Figure 5**. Draw the shear force and bending moment diagrams for the beam. Also calculate the maximum bending moment.

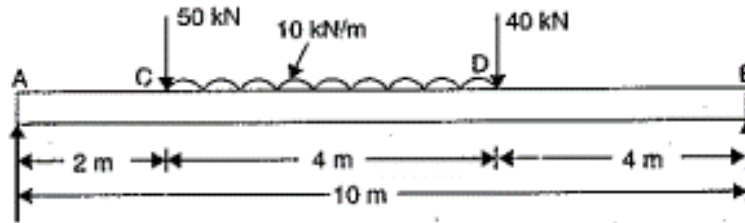


Figure 5

[16 Marks]

(b) Define influence lines and state the Müller-Breslau principle

[4 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Determine the force in each member of the roof truss shown in the photo. The dimensions and loadings are shown in **Figure 6**. State whether the members are in tension or compression.

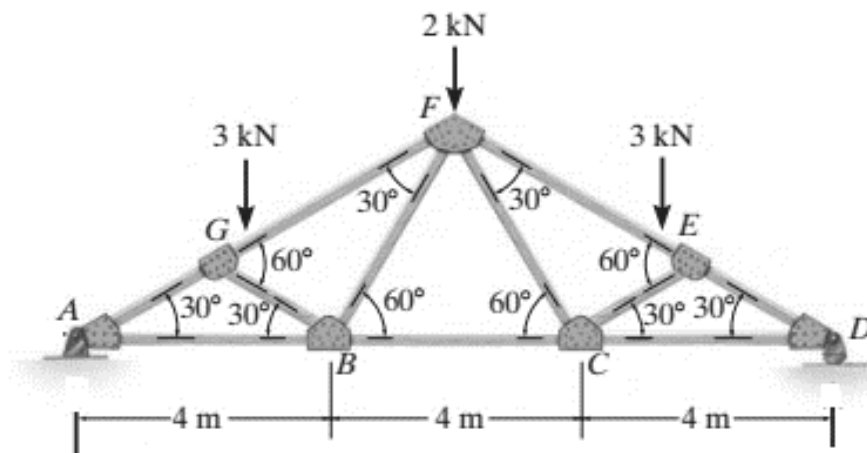


Figure 6

[20 Mark]