



**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF  
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**MAIN CAMPUS**

**UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS  
2014/2015 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

**FOR THE DEGREE  
OF  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL AND STRUCTURAL  
ENGINEERING**

**COURSE CODE: CSE 212**

**COURSE TITLE: THEORY OF STRUCTURES II**

**DATE: THURSDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2015 TIME: 2.00PM – 5.00PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. This paper contains **SIX** questions
2. Answer any **FIVE** Questions
3. Marks for each question are indicated in the parenthesis.
4. Examination duration is **3 Hours**

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**Question One**

- (a) Show your understanding of the Area-Moment Theorems. (4 Marks)
- (b) Using the area-moment theorems find expressions for vertical reactions and moments at supports of the beam shown in Figure Q1a. (10 Marks)

**Question Two**

- (a) State and elaborate the Castigliano's theorems (4 Marks)
- (b) Using Castigliano's theorem determine the forces in the members of the truss shown in Figure Q2 if member BC was short by 5mm before joining it to joint C. All members have same axial rigidity i.e  $100\,000\text{kN/mm}^2$ . (10 Marks)

**Question Three**

- (a) Analyze the continuous beam shown in Figure Q3 by three moment equation. (10 Marks)
- (b) Draw the shear force and bending moment diagrams. (4 Marks)

**Question Four**

- (a) Use moment distribution method to analyze the frame shown in Figure Q4. (10 Marks)
- (b) Draw the shear force and bending moment diagrams. (4 Marks)

**Question Five**

- (a) Analyze the beam shown in Figure Q5 using slope deflection equations. (10 Marks)
- (b) Draw the shear force and bending moment diagrams. (4 Marks)

**Question six**

- (a) Derive the critical (Buckling Load) for a column fixed at one end and free at the other end. (10 Marks)
- (b) If the column in (a) has a length of 4m, what will be the critical load.  $EI = 80000\text{kN/mm}^2$ . (4 Marks)

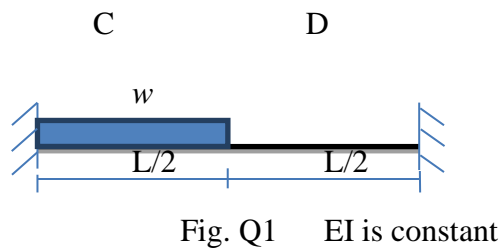


Fig. Q1  $EI$  is constant

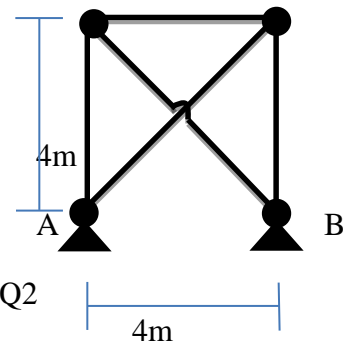


Fig. Q2

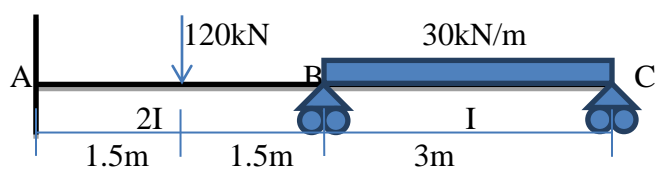


Fig. Q3

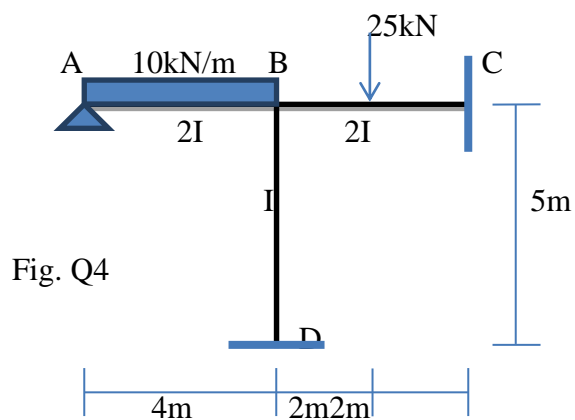


Fig. Q4

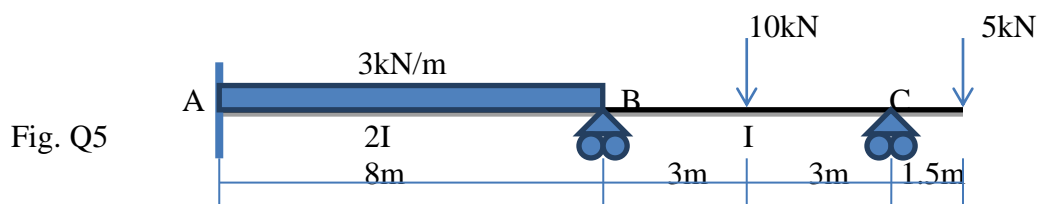


Fig. Q5