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PART I FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS – DECEMBER 2005**

**STRUCTURAL DESIGN I – AAR 2105**

**TIME:** 3 Hours

**TOTAL MARKS:** 100

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

Answer **4** questions.

**QUESTION 1**

- a) Write brief notes on the design process for structures (10 marks)
- b) Why is it necessary to determine bending moments and shear stress diagrams in structural design. (5 marks)
- c) Draw a bending moment and shear force diagrams of the beam below (fig. 1)

**QUESTION 2**

- (a) Show that the moment of Inertia (second moment of area) of a rectangular shaped beam is  $\frac{1}{2} bd^3$  (12 ½ marks)
- (b) Calculate the  $I_{xx}$  of the compound girder shown in fig. 2 below  
disputes? (5 marks)

**QUESTION 3**

- a) A timber joist 75mm wide has to carry a uniform load of 10KN on span of 4m. The bending stress is to be  $6 \text{ Nmm}^2$ . What depth should the joist be? (12 ½ marks)
- b) A 250 mm x 75mm timber with its longer edge vertical spans 2m between supports. What safe uniformly distributed load  $W$  can the beam carry if the permissible bending stress is  $8 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . (12 ½ marks)

#### **QUESTION 4**

- a) A steel beam is required to span 5,5m between centers of simple support carrying a 220mm thick brick wall as detailed on fig. 3. below. Choose from the table of properties attached a suitable beam section given that the permissible stress in bending is  $165 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . Choose from the table of properties attached a suitable beam section given that the permissible stress in bending is  $165 \text{ N/mm}^2$ .
- b) A timber beam 150mm x 300mm deep has two steel plates, each 125mm x 12mm bolted as shown on fig. 4 below. Assume the safe steel stress is  $140 \text{ N/mm}^2$ , E for steel is  $205000 \text{ N/mm}^2$  and E for timber is  $8200 \text{ N/mm}^2$ , calculate the moment of resistance of beam (ignore bolt holes)

(10 marks)

#### **QUESTION 5**

- a) A 457 x 191 UB98 is simply supported at the ends of a span of 7,2m. The beam carries an inclusive udl of 350kN. Calculate the maximum deflection. E for steel is  $205000 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . (12 ½ marks)
- b) Calculate the safe inclusive uniformly distributed load for a 200 mm x 75mm timber joist, simply supported at its ends, if the span is 6m. the maximum bending stress is  $6 \text{ N/mm}^2$  and the maximum permissible deflection is 0,003 of the span.

E =  $9599 \text{ N/mm}^2$

(12 ½ marks)

**END OF EXAMINATION**