

Engineering Tripos Part 1A 2008/09, Paper 2 Structures and Materials

SECTION A – STRUCTURES

Answers

1. (a) $H_A = 80 \text{ kN} \rightarrow, V_A = 400 \text{ kN} \uparrow, H_B = 116 \text{ kN} \leftarrow$
(b) $\text{FOS} = 2.44$
2. (a) $T_{AB} = -W, T_{BC} = -W, T_{CD} = -W, T_{AC} = \sqrt{2} W, T_{AD} = 0$
(b) $\delta_{CH} = (1 + 2\sqrt{2})WL/EA \rightarrow$
3. (a) $M_x = x^3/12 - 3x$
(b) $v = -21.3/EI$ (where v is +ve upwards)
4. (a) $P_{cr \ x-x} = 36250 \text{ kN}, P_{cr \ y-y} = 31990 \text{ kN}$
(b) $P_y = 31200 \text{ kN}$
5. (a) (i) $\sigma_{hardwood} = 8.91 \text{ MPa}$
(ii) $\sigma_{softwood} = 5.94 \text{ MPa}$
(c) $\tau_{max} = 1.43 \text{ MPa}$
(d) $P_{max} = 5.4 \text{ kN}$ (stress in the softwood controls)
6. (a) $V_{BY} = 5/4W \uparrow, T = W/2$
(c) $\delta_E = -WL^3/12EI + 3\sqrt{3} WL/2E_c A_c \downarrow$

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SECTION B – MATERIALS

Answers

7. (b) 0.0156 mm

8. (a) III=A, II=B, I=C

9. (b) $100 \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{1/n} \right)$

11. (a) $E_T = \frac{t_g + t_c + t_m}{t_g/E_g + t_c/E_c + t_m/E_m}, E_L = \frac{t_g E_g + t_c E_c + t_m E_m}{t_g + t_c + t_m}$

12. Aluminium, stiffness limited with a mass of 6.5 g