Examination, May 2019

Choice Based Grading System (CBGS)

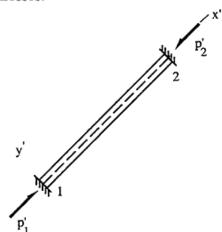
Computational Methods in Structural Engineering

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: i) Attempt any five questions.

- ii) All questions carry equal marks.
- iii) Assume suitable data if any with justification
- 1. A truss member of length L, area of cross section A as shown in Figure. The change in length Δl is given by $\Delta l = \alpha L \Delta T$. Calculate the thermal effect/formation error in terms of induced stresses.



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- 2. Explain with suitable example for the formation of structure (beam) stiffness matrix from its member stiffness matrices.
- 3. Describe about the Transfer Matrix Method (TMM) for continuous and discontinuous no prismatic members.
- 4. Differentiate between direct stiffness method and elastic stability analysis of pin jointed 2-D frames/trusses.
- 5. Describe in detail about use of substructures for reduction in order of stiffness matrix. http://www.rgpvonline.com
- 6. Describe the imposition constraints for Lagrange multiplier and penalty study.
- 7. Describe in detail about theory of elasticity in 2-D frames related to analysis of continuum structures.
- Write short notes on the following:
 - 2-D isoperimetric elements
 - Shape function for a beam element
 - Lagrangian and Serendipity
 - Stiffness matrix for plate bending elements

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