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VI SEMESTER B.TECH. (AUTOMOBILE ENGINEERING)

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SUBJECT: PE-III FINITE ELEMENT METHODS [AAE 4028]

REVISED CREDIT SYSTEM (24/04/2018)

Time: 3 Hours

MAX. MARKS: 50

Instructions to Candidates:

- ✤ Answer ALL FIVE FULL questions.
- ✤ Missing data, if any, may be suitable assumed.
- 1A. Evaluate the stiffness matrix for the element shown in Figure 1. The coordinates (07) are shown in units of inches. Assume plane stress conditions. Let E = 30 e6 psi, v = 0.25, and thickness t = 1 in. Assume the element nodal displacements have been determined to be u1 = 0, v1 = 0.0025 in., u2 = 0.0012 in., v2 = 0, u3 = 0, and v3 = 0.0025 in. Determine the element stresses. (All units in inches)



- **1B.** Enumerate the applications of beam and truss elements in day to day **(03)** applications.
- **2A.** For the spring assemblages shown in Figure 2, determine the nodal **(06)** displacements, the forces in each element, and the reactions. Use the direct stiffness method.



- **2B.** With a neat sketch, deduce the relation for local coordinate conversion to a global **(04)** coordinate. Consider a bar element.
- **3A.** For the plane trusses shown in Figure, solve for the nodal displacements, element (07) forces, stresses and reactions. Let $A = 0.0003 \text{ m}^2$, E = 70 GPa for each truss. Use symmetry.



3B. For the above arrangement, calculate element stresses.

4. For the beam shown in Figure, determine the nodal displacements, forces in each **(10)** element, and the reactions.



- **5A.** Briefly explain CST and LST elements. Mention any 2 use cases for each element. **(05)**
- **5B.** For a 3-spring assemblage with stiffness k1, k2 and k3, with all notations, **(05)** equilibrium equations, deduce the stiffness matrix and mention its reaction forces.

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