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Exam CIE4150 Plastic Analysis of Structures Thursday 22 January 2019, 13:30 – 16:30 hours

Write your <u>name</u> and <u>study number</u> at the top of your work.

Also write whether you were a <u>member</u> of the elastic team, plastic team or no team.





Figure 2. Yield contours

Problem 1

A frame consists of two columns, a beam and a cantilever (Fig.1). The elements have a strength M_p except for the cantilever, which has a strength $3M_p$. The elements are rigidly connected. The support consist of two hinges. The structure is loaded by two evenly distributed line loads q. The relation of Figure 2 exists between the plastic moments and the plastic normal forces.

$$N_p = \beta \frac{M_p}{a}$$

The influence of shear on the yield contour is neglected. Buckling and second order effects are not considered.

- **a** Assume $\beta \rightarrow \infty$. Determine the collapse load *q* for all possible mechanisms. Write the collapse loads as functions of M_p and *a*. What is the decisive collapse load? (1.5 point)
- **b** Assume $\beta \rightarrow \infty$. Draw the bending moment diagram and normal force diagram for the structure at the moment of collapse. (1.5 points)
- **c** Assume β = 12. Choose one of the following problems (You need not do both).

- Determine the largest lower-bound for q.

- Determine the smallest <u>upper-bound</u> for *q*.

You only need to write down the equations and not solve the equations (1.5 points).

Problem 2

A reinforced concrete plate has simply supported edges and free edges (Fig. 3). It carries an evenly distributed load p [kN/m²]. There is no other load on the plate. The plate is homogeneous and orthotropic.



Figure 3. Plate dimensions and reinforcement

a Consider the yield line patterns of Figure 4. Which of these patterns give kinematically possible mechanisms? (1 point)



Figure 4. Yield line patterns of problem 2a

b Consider the yield line pattern of Figure 5. Determine an <u>upper bound</u> for *p* expressed in m_p and *a* (1.5 point).



Figure 5. Mechanism of problem 2b

c Determine the largest <u>lower-bound</u> for *p* using torsion free beams ($m_{xy} = 0$). You only need to write down the equations and not solve the equations. (1.5 point)

Problem 3

- **a** A plate is supported in a 90° corner point. The support is a hinge. The support reaction is perpendicular to the plate. The plate strength is m_p in all directions. The collapse load is ... Choose A, B, C or D. (0.5 points)
 - A πm_p
 - B 2*m*_p
 - $C \leq 2m_p$
 - D 0 because it is a singularity



- **b** In limit analysis, how do we know whether the exact plastic strength has been found? Choose A, B, C or D. (0.5 points)
 - A When the lower- and upper-bound are the same. B When all possible mechanisms have been considered. C When it has been confirmed by finite element analysis. D When Prager's theorems can be proofed.
- **c** Which yield contour is most suitable for modelling metals? How do we know this is true? (0.5 points)



Answer to problem 1b



Answer to problem 1c





> solve({eq1,eq2,E=A},{t1,t2,q});



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Answer to problem 2a

A, B, D, F

3	or less correct	.0 p	oint
4	correct	. 0.3	point
5	correct	0.7	point
6	correct	. 1.0	point

Answer to problem 2b

> E:=mp*4*a*w/(5*a) +2*mp*5*a*w/(4*a) +mp*4*a*w/(5*a) +2*mp*5*a*w/(4*a);

$$E := \frac{33}{5} mp w$$

> A:=4* (p*1/2*5*a*4*a*w/3) -p*2*a*4*a*w/5;
$$A := \frac{176}{15} p a^2 w$$

> p:=solve(E=A,p);

$$p \coloneqq \frac{9}{16} \frac{mp}{a^2}$$

Answer to problem 2c



The latter answer has been computed with the following Maple script. (Not required for the exam.)

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> eq1:=p*2*a-q*2*a+f*3*a=0:
> eq2:=p*2*a*a-q*2*a*3*a+f*3*a*11/2*a=0:
> eq3:=p*2*a-q*x1=0:
> eq4:=p*2*a*(x1+a)-q*x1*x1/2=2*mp:
> eq5:=p*8*a*4*a+q*4*a*6*a-R2*8*a=0:
> eq6:=R2-(q+p)*x2=0:
> eq7:=R2*x2-(q+p)*x2*x2/2=2*mp:
> eq8:=p*8*a*4*a-f*4*a*2*a-R3*8*a=0:
> eq9:=R3-p*x3=0:
> eq10:=R3*x3-p*x3*x3/2=2*mp:
> opl:=solve({eq1,eq2,eq3,eq5,eq6,eq7,eq8,eq9}, {p,q,f,x1,x2,x3,R2,R3});
      opl := \left\{ R2 = \frac{56}{47} \frac{mp}{a}, R3 = \frac{2912}{6627} \frac{mp}{a}, f = \frac{448}{6627} \frac{mp}{a^2}, p = \frac{280}{2209} \frac{mp}{a^2}, q = \frac{504}{2209} \frac{mp}{a^2}, xl = \frac{10}{9} a, x2 = \frac{47}{14} a, x3 = \frac{52}{15} a \right\}
> assign(opl);
> evalf(eq4);
                                                      0.3943463608 mp = 2. mp
> evalf(eq7);
                                                            2. mp = 2. mp
> evalf(eq10);
                                                      0.7616518284 mp = 2. mp
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Answer to problem 3

- **a** B
- **b** A
- c Von Mises, experiments