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Fifth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, July/August 2022
Rock Mechanics

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. Explain the scope and importance of Rock Mechanics in Mining Industry. (10 Marks)
b. Describe the development and application of Rock Mechanics in Mining Industry. (10 Marks)

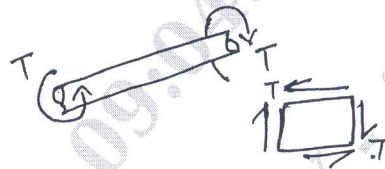
OR

- 2 a. Estimate Joint shear strength of joint using Barton – Bandis model assuming that the joint roughness coefficient = 7.1, Joint wall compressive strength = 170.5 MPa, Residual friction angle = 28.4° and Effective normal stress = 3MPa. (05 Marks)
b. List out the ten parameters used to describe discontinuities in rocks and define any five parameters. (15 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. What are Normal stress and Tangential stress on an incline plane? Give expression to calculate the same and define the parameters used. (10 Marks)
b. When Torsional loading T is applied to bar Fig. Q3(b), it produces a state of pure shear stress in the material. Determine the principal stresses, maximum shear stresses and their planes. (10 Marks)

Fig. Q3(b)



OR

- 4 a. At a certain point, a material is subjected to the following state of strains :
 $\epsilon_x = 400 \times 10^{-6}$; $\epsilon_y = 200 \times 10^{-6}$; $\gamma_{xy} = 35 \times 10^{-6}$.
Determine the magnitudes of the principal strains, the direction of the principal strains axes and the strain on an axis inclined at 30° clock wise to the X – axis. (12 Marks)
b. Illustrate the Elasto – Plastic behavior of Rocks. (08 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Define : Porosity, Durability, Moisture content, Bulk density. (08 Marks)
b. Explain the Laboratory procedure to determine durability of Rocks. (12 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. Discuss the factor responsible for Rock strength. (04 Marks)
b. Explain with neat sketch, how to determine Uniaxial compressive strength of the Rock. (10 Marks)
c. Explain with a neat sketch, how to determine tensile strength of Rock specimen whose t/d ratio is 0.5. (06 Marks)

Module-4

7 Explain with neat sketch, the following :

- a. Borehole Jack Test.
- b. Plate Jacking Test.

(10 Marks)

(10 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. Describe in detail necessity of In – situ tests.
 b. Describe in detail requirements of In – situ tests.
 c. Explain Plate load In – situ test to determine static deformability.

(05 Marks)

(05 Marks)

(10 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. Explain in detail, the Mohr – Coulomb failure criterion. Mention its limitations. (14 Marks)
 b. In series of triaxial compression tests on a sandstone, the following represent the stresses at peak load conditions :

Test	σ_3 (MPa)	σ_1 (MPa)
1	1.0	9.2
2	5.0	28.0
3	9.5	48.7
4	15.0	74.0

Determine values of 'C' and ' ϕ ' that best fit the data.

(06 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. Explain Dynamic properties of Rock and how to determine the same.
 b. Explain in brief, the Hoek – Brown failure criteria.

(12 Marks)

(08 Marks)
