

AE530 Aerospace Structures I – Final Exam

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Total Mark 100 Open Book Exam

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Question ONE (20 Marks)

An aircraft skin panel can be modeled as a simply supported rectangular plate subjected to an edge moment $(M_x)_0$ as shown. Determine the deflection shape of this panel.

Solution:



Question TWO (20 Marks)

An aircraft component can be modeled as a statically <u>indeterminate</u> beam with $EI=3\times10^8$ lb.in². Determine the distribution of the bending displacement w(x). Find also the values of all support reactions.

Solution:



Question THREE (20 Marks)

A cylindrical tank has a suspended conical bottom. The tank is supported along its peripheral as shown and is filled with a liquid of specific density γ . Derive expressions for the membrane forces in both parts as functions of y.

<u>Solution:</u>



Question FOUR (30 Marks)

Consider a $[0/90]_s$ laminate of <u>total</u> thickness 0.08 inch. All layers are of equal thickness and are made of S-2 glass/epoxy with the following stiffness coefficients: $Q_{11} = 7.953 \times 10^6$, $Q_{12} = 0.4444 \times 10^6$, $Q_{22} = 1.576 \times 10^6$, $Q_{66} = 0.5743 \times 10^6$ (psi) **a.** Calculate the elements of the *D* matrix for this laminate.

b. If the laminate is subjected to the moment resultants: $M_x = M_y = M$. Determine the maximum allowable value of M, using Tsai-Hill's criterion. Allowable stresses of S-2 glass/epoxy layers are: X = 150 ksi, Y = 4 ksi, S = 6 ksi.

Solution:

Question FIVE (10 Marks)

Consider the following displacement field:

u = (y - 2z), $v = -(y + 1)^3$, w = z

Determine the principal strains at the point (1,1,1). Is there any question of displacement compatibility here?

Solution:

Good Luck

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$$N_{\theta} = \gamma (H + h - y)t \frac{\tan \alpha}{\cos \alpha}$$
$$N_{s} = \frac{\gamma}{2} \left(H + h - \frac{2}{3}y \right) y \frac{\tan \alpha}{\cos \alpha}$$