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| <b>UNIT – I: BUCKLING OF COLUMNS</b>  |  |          |             |
|---|--|----------|-------------|
| States of equilibrium - Classification of buckling problems - concept of equilibrium, energy, imperfection and vibration approaches to stability analysis - Eigen value problem. Governing equation for columns - Analysis for various boundary conditions - using Equilibrium, Energy methods. Approximate methods -Rayleigh Ritz, Galerkins approach - Numerical Techniques - Finite difference method - Effect of shear on buckling. |  |          |             |
| <b>PART-A</b>   |  |          |             |
| Sl.No   | Questions  | BT Level | Competence  |
| 1.  | List the types of structural failure.  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 2.  | What are the approaches to stability analysis?   | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 3.  | Draw & label the mode shape of buckling.   | BT-3     | Application |
| 4.  | Outline the assumptions made in the Euler theory of long column?   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 5.  | Outline the difference between the Rayleigh-Ritz method and Galerkins method.  | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 6.  | What is meant by elastically restrained column?  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 7.  | Draw& label the load Vs deflection curves of eccentrically loaded columns?   | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 8.  | Examine states of Equilibrium.   | BT-4     | Analyze     |
| 9.  | The support reactions depends on the relative rigidities of the members. Justify.  | BT-5     | Evaluate    |
| 10.   | Construct, why energy approach in structural analysis is considered superior to other methods?                             | BT-3     | Application |
| 11.   | Interpret examples for column with one end fixed and the other end hinged.   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 12.   | Construct the implications of columns with geometric imperfections?  | BT-3     | Application |
| 13.   | Compile the differences between Galerkins method and Rayleigh-Ritz method for calculating the buckling load of the member? | BT-6     | Create      |
| 14.   | What do you mean buckling load?  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 15.   | Examine any two applications where the columns are   | BT-4     | Analyze     |

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|     | eccentrically loaded.   |      |            |
| 16. | Assess how the buckling load of column with variable cross section is obtained? | BT-5 | Evaluate   |
| 17. | List the types of differential equations for column stability analysis.         | BT-1 | Remember   |
| 18. | Analyse shear on buckling.  | BT-4 | Analyze    |
| 19. | Compose the classification of structural instability.                           | BT-6 | Create     |
| 20. | Demonstrate the load deflection curve for initially bent columns.               | BT-2 | Understand |

### PART –B

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| 1.  | Using higher order differential equation, find the critical load for a column one end fixed and other end is hinged.   | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 2.  | Using higher order differential equation, find the critical load for a column one end fixed and other end is free.   | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 3.  | Evaluate the critical load for eccentrically loaded column.  | BT-5 | Evaluate    |
| 4.  | Compose the principle and applications of Energy methods.  | BT-6 | Create      |
| 5.  | Examine the critical load (using energy method) of a hinged-hinged column having uniform varying moment of inertia, $I_0$ .                                    | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 6.  | Develop the differential equation for maximum deflection and maximum bending moment in case of beam column with central load.                                  | BT-3 | Application |
| 7.  | Develop Euler's approach in detail.  | BT-3 | Application |
| 8.  | Formulate the differential equation for maximum deflection and end slopes in case of beam column subjected to end couples.                                     | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 9.  | Outline the differential equation for maximum deflection and maximum bending moment in case of beam column with built in ends.                                 | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 10. | a) Outline the differential equation for beam column. (7)<br>b) Summarize the approximate methods used in the stability analysis and discuss their merits. (6) | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 11. | Demonstrate the differential equation for maximum deflection and end slopes in case of beam column subjected to clamped/ built in ends.                        | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 12. | Determine the critical load of a column which is fixed at one end free at other end using equilibrium approach using fourth order differential equation.       | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 13. | Determine the critical load of a column which is hinged at both the ends using equilibrium approach using fourth order differential equation.                  | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 14. | Determine the critical load of a column which is fixed at both the ends using equilibrium approach using fourth order differential equation.                   | BT-1 | Remember    |

### PART –C

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| 1. | The yield strength of the material used in a column is 250 MPa. It is desired to obtain an allowable stress equal to 100 MPa. Assuming FoS = 5/3, find the maximum allowable slenderness ratio by any suitable method. | BT-1 | Remember   |
| 2. | From first principles, formulate the expression for buckling load of a column fixed at one end and free at other end.  | BT-6 | Create     |
| 3. | Demonstrate<br>a) Flexural buckling (4)<br>b) Torsional buckling (4)<br>c) Flexural – torsional buckling (4)<br>d) Snap-through buckling. (3)  | BT-2 | Understand |
| 4. | Explain finite difference method in detail.  | BT-5 | Evaluate   |

## UNIT – II: BUCKLING OF BEAM-COLUMNS AND FRAMES

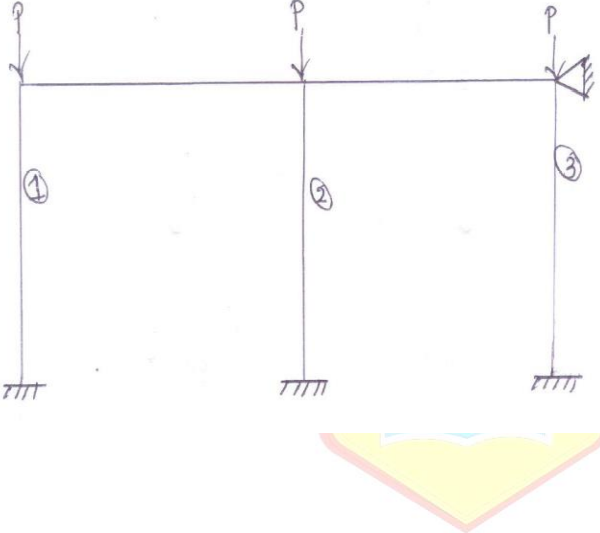
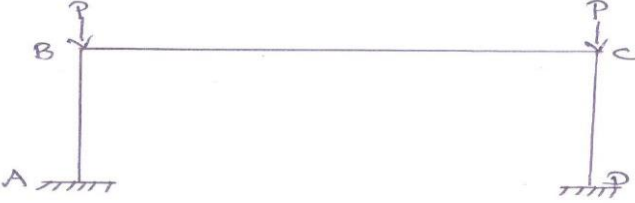
Theory of beam column-Stability analysis of beam column with single and several concentrated loads, distributed load and end couples -Analysis of rigid jointed frames with and without sway-Use of stability function to determine the critical load.

### PART – A

| Sl.No | Questions   | BT Level | Competence  |
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| 1.    | Explain Beam- Column.   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 2.    | Illustrate the modes of buckling in frames.   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 3.    | Construct the term of Load-Deflection Characteristics.                                      | BT-3     | Application |
| 4.    | Outline beam column interaction equation.   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 5.    | Define stability of functions.  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 6.    | Construct the differential equation for a beam column carrying UDL.                         | BT-3     | Application |
| 7.    | Develop the differential equation for a beam column carrying non-central concentrated load. | BT-3     | Application |
| 8.    | Write down the differential equation for a beam column carrying end couples.                | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 9.    | What is an euler ideal column?  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 10.   | Explain perfect column.   | BT-5     | Evaluate    |
| 11.   | Define euler load.  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 12.   | Define superposition.   | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 13.   | Compile stability stiffness influence coefficient.  | BT-6     | Create      |
| 14.   | List out application of beam column.  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 15.   | Outline the slope deflection equations of beam.   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 16.   | Examine moment amplification factor.  | BT-4     | Analyze     |
| 17.   | Compile the fourth order differential equation of equilibrium of a beam –column.            | BT-6     | Create      |
| 18.   | Explain conservative system.  | BT-5     | Evaluate    |

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| 19. | Analyze under what conditions superposition is valid for beam- column problem. | BT-4 | Analyze |
| 20. | Examine distinct stability functions.  | BT-4 | Analyze |

**PART –B**

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| 1. | A beam column is subjected to compressive force at the ends in addition to moments at the two ends which produces zero slopes at the two ends Find the expression for<br>1)Deflection curve (5)<br>2)Max Deflection (4)<br>3)Max Moment. (4) | BT-1 | Remember   |
| 2. | Demonstrate the effect of shear force on the critical load.  | BT-2 | Understand |
| 3. | Find the critical load of the frame using Non Sway Mode.<br>   | BT-1 | Remember   |
| 4. | Find the critical load of the frame using Non Sway Mode.<br>  | BT-1 | Remember   |
| 5. | Find the critical load of the frame.   | BT-1 | Remember   |

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| 6.  | <p>Examine the critical load of the frame.</p>   | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 7.  | Develop the differential equation for maximum deflection and maximum bending moment in case of beam column with central load.  | BT-3 | Application |
| 8.  | Construct the differential equation for beam columns with compressive force and distributed lateral load.                      | BT-3 | Application |
| 9.  | Examine the differential equation for maximum deflection and end slopes in case of beam column subjected to end couples.       | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 10. | Compose the differential equation for maximum deflection and maximum bending moment in case of beam column with built in ends. | BT-6 | Create      |
| 11. | <p>a) Assess differential equation for beam column. (7)</p> <p>b) Defend the approximate methods used in the stability</p>     | BT-5 | Evaluate    |

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|     | analysis and discuss their merits?<br>(6)   |      |            |
| 12. | Examine the differential equation for maximum deflection and end slopes in case of beam column subjected to clamped/ built in ends.         | BT-4 | Analyze    |
| 13. | Illustrate the maximum bending moment in a beam –column on simply support & when subjected to axial load P and concentrated lateral load Q. | BT-2 | Understand |
| 14. | Explain the failure of beam columns.  | BT-2 | Understand |

### PART – C

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| 1. | Illustrate matrix approach for frames.   | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 2. | Enumerate beam column action? List out few examples that are subjected to beam column action.  | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 3. | A beam column is subjected to compressive forces at the ends in addition to moments at the two end, Construct the expression for<br>a) Deflection Curve (5)<br>b) Max deflection (5)<br>c) Max Moments (5) | BT-3 | Application |
| 4. | Conclude, why superposition of deflection is not valid for a beam column?  | BT-5 | Evaluate    |

### UNIT – III: TORSIONAL AND LATERAL BUCKLING

Torsional buckling - Combined Torsional and flexural buckling - Local buckling. Buckling of Open Sections- Numerical solutions. Lateral buckling of beams, pure bending of simply supported and cantilever beams.

### PART – A

| Sl.No | Questions   | BT Level | Competence  |
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| 1.    | What are types of torsion?  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 2.    | Define Warping torsion.   | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 3.    | Construct any two examples for torsional buckling of Columns.             | BT-3     | Application |
| 4.    | Demonstrate the differential equation for non-uniform torsion.            | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 5.    | Outline under what conditions torsional buckling occur?                   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 6.    | List the likely modes of buckling in the case of circular tubular column. | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 7.    | Define Shear centre.  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 8.    | Examine lateral buckling.   | BT-4     | Analyze     |
| 9.    | Identify the factors affect the lateral buckling strength of beam?        | BT-3     | Application |



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| 10. | Apply, how will you strengthen the beam against lateral buckling?                             | BT-3 | Application |
| 11. | Explain inelastic buckling.   | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 12. | Analyze the factors affect the lateral buckling strength of a beam?                           | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 13. | Discuss warping stiffnesses?  | BT-6 | Create      |
| 14. | What do you mean buckling load?   | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 15. | Defend shear on buckling.   | BT-5 | Evaluate    |
| 16. | Defend Initially bent columns.  | BT-5 | Evaluate    |
| 17. | What is torsional-flexural buckling?  | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 18. | Categorize the sections that has torsional flexural buckling load lesser than the euler load? | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 19. | Invent distinct and auxilary stability functions.   | BT-6 | Create      |
| 20. | Explain shear Flow.   | BT-2 | Understand  |

### PART – B

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| 1.  | Compose lateral buckling of simply supported rectangular beam with central concentrated load.   | BT-6 | Create      |
| 2.  | Demonstrate the expression for critical moment for lateral buckling of rectangular beam in pure bending?.   | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 3.  | Derive the expression for critical moment for lateral buckling of an I section beam in pure bending.  | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 4.  | Derive lateral buckling of simply supported rectangular beam with UDL   | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 5.  | Determine lateral buckling of cantilever beam with moment at the free end.  | BT-5 | Evaluate    |
| 6.  | Explain 'Lateral buckling' in beams and performance of the beam subjected to lateral buckling.  | BT-3 | Application |
| 7.  | Analyze the main difference between torsional and flexural buckling with appropriate examples.  | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 8.  | Explain the critical load for hinged column bases.  | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 9.  | Find the critical load of a hinged-hinged column of length 2.5 m. The column is made with a thin walled channel section having flange with of 100 mm, mean deapth of 220mm and uniform thickness of 2mm. The load is applied axially at the centroid. Take modulus of elasticity as 200Gpa and Modulus of rigidity as 80 Gpa. | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 10. | Explain non uniform torsion of thin walled bars of open cross section with neat sketches.   | BT-3 | Application |
| 11. | Examine the expression for pure torsion of thin walled bars of open cross section.  | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 12. | Derive lateral buckling of simply supported beam of narrow  | BT-1 | Remember    |



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|     | rectangular section.  |      |          |
| 13. | Briefly describe torsional buckling, lateral buckling and inelastic buckling. | BT-1 | Remember |
| 14. | Examine the critical load for fixed column bases.                             | BT-4 | Analyze  |

### PART – C

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| 1. | Write a short notes on torsional buckling and also explain pure torsion of thin walled bars of open cross section | BT-6 | Create      |
| 2. | Investigate torsional-flexural buckling of columns.   | BT-5 | Evaluate    |
| 3. | Derive the critical load of cantilever columns.   | BT-3 | Application |
| 4. | (i) Explain the Tangent modulus theory. (8)<br>(ii) Explain the Double modulus theory. (7)                        | BT-2 | Understand  |

## UNIT – IV: BUCKLING OF PLATES

Governing differential equation- Buckling of thin plates, various edge conditions- Analysis by equilibrium and energy approach- Finite difference method.

### PART – A

| Sl.No | Questions  | BT Level | Competence  |
|-------|--|----------|-------------|
| 1.    | What is lateral buckling?  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 2.    | What is post buckling strength?  | BT-4     | Analyze     |
| 3.    | How will you strengthen the beam against lateral buckling?   | BT-5     | Evaluate    |
| 4.    | What is inelastic buckling?  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 5.    | What factors affect the lateral buckling strength of a beam?   | BT-3     | Application |
| 6.    | What are the differences between Galerkin's method and Rayleigh-Ritz method for calculating the buckling load of a member?   | BT-5     | Evaluate    |
| 7.    | Give any two examples for torsional buckling of columns.   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 8.    | What are the assumptions made in the behaviour of thin plates?   | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 9.    | A structure which maintains equilibrium may not remain stable- why?  | BT-3     | Application |
| 10.   | Why energy approach in structural analysis is considered superior to other methods?  | BT-6     | Create      |
| 11.   | What are thick plates?   | BT-6     | Create      |
| 12.   | What are thin plates?  | BT-4     | Analyze     |
| 13.   | What are the implications of columns with geometric imperfections?   | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 14.   | Draw the typical buckling mode for a rectangular plate size "a × 3a" When it is simply supported along all edges and uni-axially compressed along the shorter edges. | BT-3     | Application |
| 15.   | Outline the idealizations made in the analysis of thin plates.   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 16.   | Define finite Difference operators.  | BT-4     | Analyze     |
| 17.   | Explain the stress distribution in post buckling   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 18.   | Explain the stress distribution in pre buckling  | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 19.   | Draw Load Deflection curve for post buckling region.   | BT-1     | Remember    |

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| 20. | Define Inelastic buckling of plates. | BT-2 | Understand |
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### PART B

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| 1.  | Derive the expression for critical load of a plate uniformly compressed in one direction. The plate is simply supported with sides a,b and loaded with compressive force $N_x$ .   | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 2.  | Derive the expression for strain energy of bending in a plate?   | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 3.  | Derive the expression for critical moment due to lateral buckling of an I- section beam in pure bending?   | BT-3 | Application |
| 4.  | A Prismatic member is simply supported and subjected to combined axial force P and a transverse load of W at the mid-span. Derive the equation which defines its failures criteria. The member is adequately laterally supported against lateral/weak axis buckling? | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 5.  | A beam column member is subjected to an axial compressive load of P. Find the maximum permissible lateral load that the beam can carry without causing elastic buckling?   | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 6.  | Determine the lateral buckling moment of resistance of a beam of I-section subjected to pure bending.  | BT-3 | Application |
| 7.  | Derive the ultimate strength of axially compressed plates  | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 8.  | Briefly describe torsional buckling, lateral buckling and inelastic buckling.  | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 9.  | Discuss the stability of plates under in plane and transverse loading.   | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 10. | Derive the critical value of the compressive force for buckling of simply supported rectangular plates uniformly compressed in one direction.  | BT-5 | Evaluate    |
| 11. | Derive the critical value of the compressive force for buckling of simply supported rectangular plates uniformly compressed in two directions.   | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 12. | Compose plate buckling by finite elements.   | BT-6 | Create      |
| 13. | Using energy method determine the critical load of a square plate of size "a × a" Whose edges are fixed and compressed by a uniformly distributed force " N" along the entire boundary.  | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 14. | Using finite difference method determine the critical load of a square plate of size "a × a" Whose edges are simply supported and compressed by a uniformly distributed force " N" along the entire boundary. Assume the plate is divided into 16 elements.          | BT-1 | Remember    |

### PART –C

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| 1. | Explain post buckling behaviour of thin plates.   | BT-3 | Application |
| 2. | Illustrate the design provisions for local buckling of plates.  | BT-6 | Create      |
| 3. | Compose the plate-buckling coefficients for various cases.  | BT-5 | Evaluate    |
| 4. | Determine the critical loading for a simply supported ,square plate loaded in two perpendicular directions by uniformly distributed load. Obtain an exact solution by solving the | BT-2 | Understand  |

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|  | governing differential equation. |  |  |
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## UNIT – V: INELASTIC BUCKLING

Double modulus theory- Tangent modulus theory- Shanley's model- Eccentrically loaded inelastic column- Inelastic buckling of plates- Post buckling behaviour of plates.

### PART – A

| Sl.No | Questions   | BT Level | Competence  |
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| 1.    | Demonstrate the basic difference between elastic and inelastic buckling.            | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 2.    | What are the assumptions made in Tangent modulus theory?                            | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 3.    | What are the assumptions made in Double modulus theory?                             | BT-4     | Analyze     |
| 4.    | How it is possible that a plate can carry load even after buckling?                 | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 5.    | Draw the stress distribution of double modulus for a rectangular section.           | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 6.    | Draw the strain distribution of double modulus for a rectangular section.           | BT-3     | Application |
| 7.    | Define Inelastic buckling of plates.  | BT-5     | Evaluate    |
| 8.    | Where double modulus theory is applied.   | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 9.    | A structure which maintains equilibrium may not remain stable- why?                 | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 10.   | Why energy approach in structural analysis is considered superior to other methods? | BT-5     | Evaluate    |
| 11.   | Load deflection curve for post buckling region                                      | BT-6     | Create      |
| 12.   | Give the equation of inelastic critical stress for plates.                          | BT-3     | Application |
| 13.   | What are the assumptions made in Shanley theory of inelastic buckling?              | BT-6     | Create      |
| 14.   | Define inelastic buckling of columns  | BT-4     | Analyze     |
| 15.   | Demonstrate Rayleigh-Ritz method.   | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 16.   | What is the strain energy of bending in a plate?                                    | BT-1     | Remember    |
| 17.   | Outline types of differential equations for column stability analysis               | BT-3     | Application |
| 18.   | Define shear on buckling?   | BT-4     | Analyze     |
| 19.   | Give the equation of plasticity reduction factor.                                   | BT-2     | Understand  |
| 20.   | Outline the Galerkin's equation.  | BT-1     | Remember    |

### PART-B

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| 1. | Explain the Tangent Modulus and Double Modulus theories.                              | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 2. | Explain the various assumptions made in the double modulus theory.                    | BT-3 | Application |
| 3. | Explain the inelastic buckling of a column with built-in ends subjected to axial load | BT-5 | Evaluate    |

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| 4.  | Explain the orthogonal relation of buckling problems  | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 5.  | Explain the following:<br>a . Inelastic buckling of columns. (5)<br>b . Mathematical treatment of stability problems (4)<br>c . Effect of shear on critical load of columns (4) | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 6.  | Explain 'Inelastic buckling' and its importance   | BT-3 | Application |
| 7.  | Derive expression for Reduced Modulus of I Section.   | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 8.  | Derive the expression for inelastic buckling of a column which is rectangular in cross section with both ends hinged using Double modulus theory.                               | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 9.  | Illustrate Shanley's theory of inelastic buckling.  | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 10. | Derive the expression for inelastic buckling of a column which is rectangular in cross section with both ends fixed using Double modulus theory.                                | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 11. | Detail the difference between elastic and inelastic buckling theories.  | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 12. | Derive the expression for inelastic buckling of a column which is rectangular in cross section with one end is hinged other end fixed using Double modulus theory.              | BT-1 | Remember    |
| 13. | Outline the strain reversal concept.  | BT-4 | Analyze     |
| 14. | Formulate the differential equation for plate buckling.   | BT-6 | Create      |

### PART –C

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| 1. | Demonstate the finite difference method for plate stability  | BT-2 | Understand  |
| 2. | Derive the critical load for the square plate $a \times a$ simply supported on all edges subjected to inplane compressive force. | BT-6 | Create      |
| 3. | Explain the orthogonal relation of buckling problems   | BT-3 | Application |
| 4. | Using matrix method ,obtain critical load for a fixed –fixed column.   | BT-1 | Remember    |