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Mid-term Examination for Semester: 2

Academic Year: 2006

Date: December 19, 2006

Time: 9.00-12.00

Subject: 237-508 Structures and Mechanical Properties of Materials

Room: R200

**Instruction**

1. There are 3 problem sets. Please do all of them. Write your answers in the space provided. If you need more space, you can write on the back of paper.
2. Only one (1) piece of A4-size note is allowed. You may write on both sides of the note. Please return it with your answers.
3. Dictionary, calculator, and stationery are also allowed.
4. Text books and other studying materials are not allowed.
5. This mid-term exam is counted for 30% of the total grade.

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Problem No.	Full Score (points)	Student's Score (points)
1.	60	
2.	40	
3.	50	
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>	

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1. The 3-D state of stress is given by:

$$\sigma_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -240 & 0 \\ -240 & 200 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -280 \end{bmatrix} \text{ MPa}$$

- (a) Calculate the three invariants of stress ( $I_1, I_2, I_3$ ) (15 points)
- (b) Calculate the principal stresses ( $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$ ). Please show your work. (30 points)
- (c) Write a new stress tensor  $\sigma'_{ij}$  from the principal stresses (part (b)) in the form given below, using the convention that  $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$ . Calculate the invariants of the stress tensor  $\sigma'_{ij}$  and compare with the answer in part (a). (15 points)

$$\sigma'_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ MPa}$$

Given:

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} - \sigma & \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{13} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} - \sigma & \sigma_{23} \\ \sigma_{31} & \sigma_{32} & \sigma_{33} - \sigma \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$I_3 - \sigma I_2 + \sigma^2 I_1 - \sigma^3 = 0$$

where,

$$I_1 = \sigma_{11} + \sigma_{22} + \sigma_{33}$$

$$I_2 = (\sigma_{11}\sigma_{22} - \sigma_{12}\sigma_{21}) + (\sigma_{22}\sigma_{33} - \sigma_{23}\sigma_{32}) + (\sigma_{11}\sigma_{33} - \sigma_{13}\sigma_{31})$$

$$I_3 = \sigma_{11}(\sigma_{22}\sigma_{33} - \sigma_{23}\sigma_{32}) + \sigma_{21}(\sigma_{13}\sigma_{32} - \sigma_{12}\sigma_{33}) + \sigma_{31}(\sigma_{12}\sigma_{23} - \sigma_{13}\sigma_{22})$$

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