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Mid-term Exam for Semester: 2

Academic Year: 2010

Date: December 21, 2010

Time: 9.00-12.00

Subject: 237-508 Structures and Mechanical Properties of Materials

Room: ห้วพุ่นฯ

Instructions

1. There are 4 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. Text books and other studying materials are not allowed.
3. Dictionary, calculator, and stationery are also allowed.
4. This mid-term exam is counted for 25% of the total grade.

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Problem No.	Full Score (points)	Student's Score (points)
1.	20	
2.	40	
3.	30	
4.	10	
Total	100	



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2. The three-dimensional state of stress is given by

σ = [ [-300, 0, 100], [0, 100, 0], [100, 0, -100] ] MPa.

- 2.1 Determine the three principal stresses. (15 points)
2.2 Calculate the maximum shear stress. (5 points)
2.3 Determine the normal stress (σ) and shear stress (τ) acting on a plane with normal n = (1/√2, 1/√2, 0). (20 points)

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**Formula**

$$\vec{s} = \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{n}$$

$$s_i = \sum_{j=1}^3 \sigma_{ij} n_j$$

$$s^2 = s_1^2 + s_2^2 + s_3^2$$

$$\sigma = S_1 \cdot n_1 + S_2 \cdot n_2 + S_3 \cdot n_3$$

$$s^2 = \sigma^2 + \tau^2$$

where,

$s$  = Total stress acting on the plane,  
 $\sigma$  = Normal stress acting on the plane,  
 $\tau$  = Shear stress acting on the plane,  
 $n_1, n_2,$  and  $n_3$  are the direction cosines.