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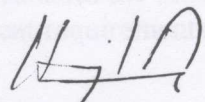
CE073 - Reinforced Concrete I

Quiz I

Time = 90 minutes

Closed Book and notes

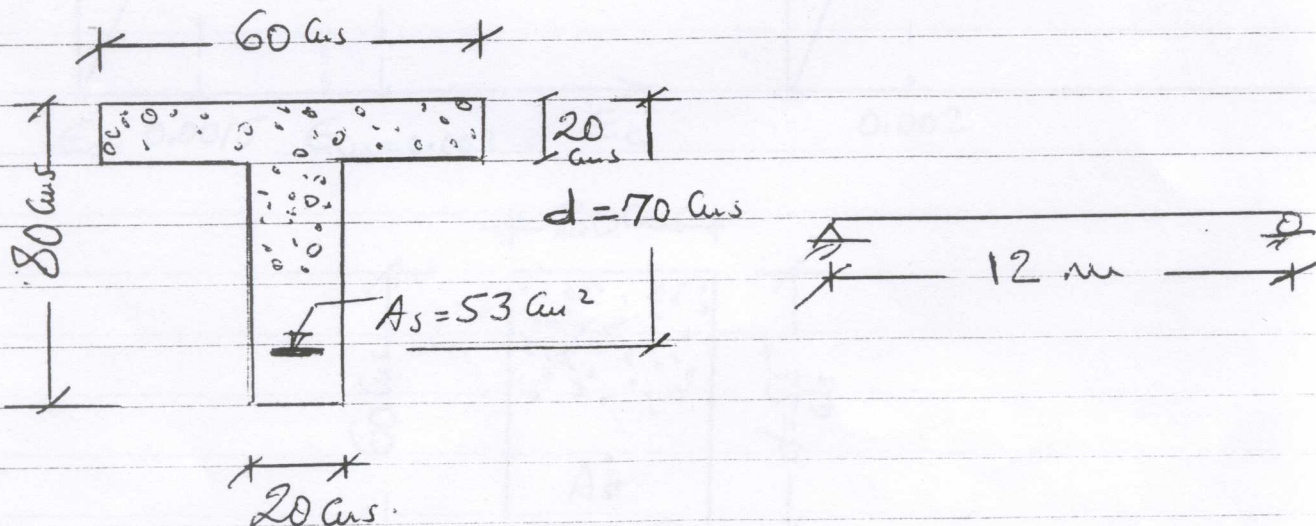
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Problem No. I (45%)

Give the simply supported T beam with section dimensions and reinforcement as shown in the figure below.  $f_c = 210 \text{ kg/sq.cm}$ ;  $f_y = 4200 \text{ kg/sq.cm}$ .

1. Calculate the nominal flexural strength of the beam in accordance with ACI 318-95.
2. If superimposed dead load ( $W_s$ ) = 2.5 T/m, what is the maximum uniformly distributed live load  $W_L$  that the beam can support to still satisfy the ultimate flexural strength requirements of the ACI building code.
3. Given  $W_L = 1.25 \text{ T/m}$ . Calculate the **service** load stresses in the steel and concrete caused by **live load alone** (assume  $n = E_s/E_c = 8.0$ ).



**Problem No. II (35%)**

Design a simply supported R/C beam with rectangular cross section, and span length = 10 m. Given: superimposed dead load = 2.5 T/m; live load = 1.0 T/m.

**Note:** You are free to select any design method provided that the beam satisfies the ACI code serviceability (deflection), and maximum and minimum reinforcement requirements.

**Problem No. III (20 %)**

Given the idealized stress-strain curves of concrete and steel and the reinforced concrete section as shown in the figure below. **NOTE: DO NOT USE WHITNEY APPROXIMATION OR THE ACI BUILDING CODE APPROACH.**

Using the stress-strain curves, calculate the area  $A_s$  of reinforcing steel such that the N.A. depth at nominal flexural strength ( $\epsilon_c = \epsilon_{cu} = 0.003$ ) of the section is equal to 20 cms. Compute accordingly the nominal flexural resistance of the section.

Good Luck

