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**DIPLOMA IN BUILDING TECHNOLOGY  
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**MODULE II**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

*You should have the following for this examination:*

*Answer booklet;*

*Drawing instruments;*

*Scientific calculator.*

*This paper consists of EIGHT questions in THREE sections; A, B and C.*

*Answer FIVE questions choosing TWO questions from section A, TWO questions from section B and ONE question from section C.*

*All questions carry equal marks.*

*Maximum marks for each part of a question are indicated.*

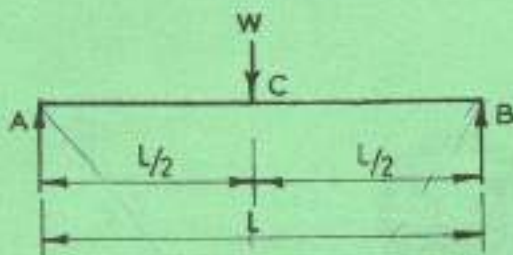
*Candidates should answer the questions in English.*

**This paper consists of 6 printed pages.**

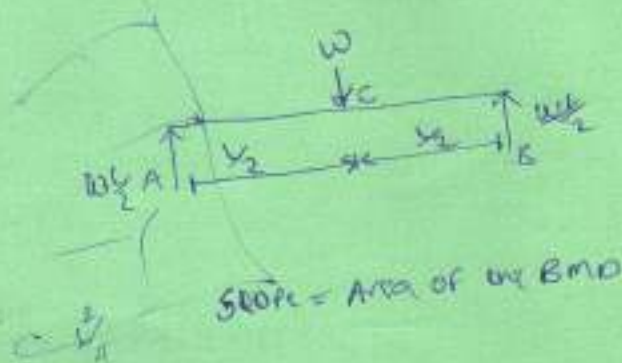
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the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**

**SECTION A: STRUCTURES II**  
Answer **TWO** questions in this section.

1. (a) Figure 1 is a simply supported beam carrying a point load as shown:



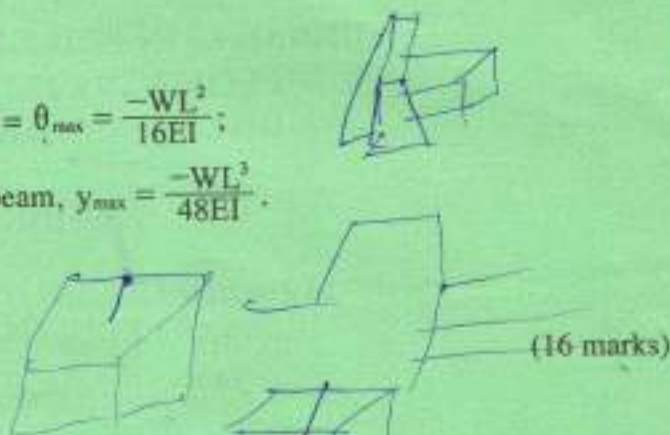
**Figure 1**



From Mohr's principles, prove that:

- (i) maximum slope of the beam  $= \theta_{max} = \frac{-WL^2}{16EI}$ ;  
 (ii) maximum deflection of the beam,  $y_{max} = \frac{-WL^3}{48EI}$ .

Where  $E$  = modulus of elasticity;  
 $I$  = moment of inertia.



- (b) A simply supported beam of span 3 m is subjected to a central point load of 10 kN. By using Q 1 (a) above, determine:

- (i) the maximum slope of the beam;  
 (ii) the maximum deflection of the beam.

Take  $I = 12 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4$   
 $E = 200 \times 10^3 \text{ N/mm}^2$ .

(4 marks)

2. (a) Differentiate between active earth pressure and passive earth pressure.

(4 marks)

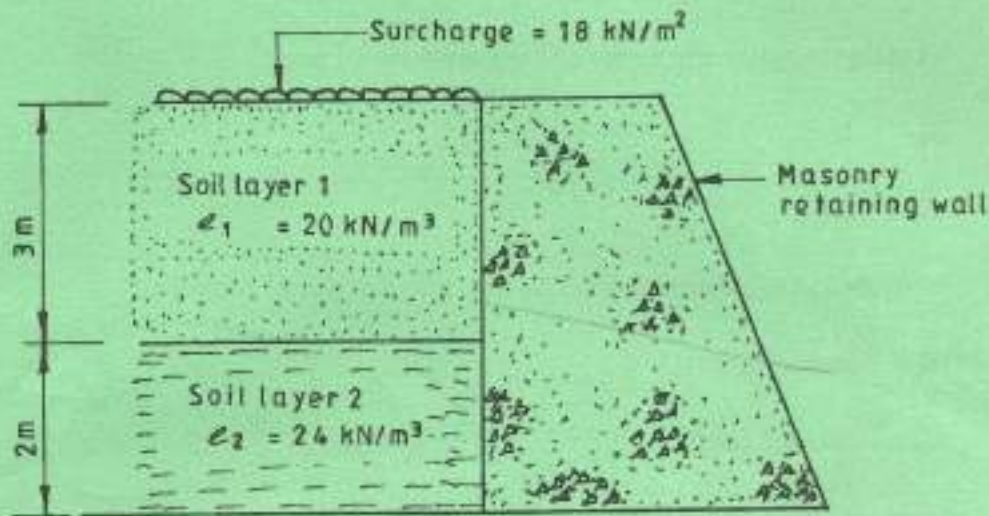


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$$\frac{2}{3} \times$$



- (b) Figure 2 shows a masonry retaining wall supporting two layers of soils.



NOTE :

- Angle of repose for both soils =  $30^\circ$

Figure 2

Determine:

- the resultant lateral force on the wall;
- the distance of the point of application from the bottom of the wall.

(16 marks)

3. A 150 mm thick reinforced concrete slab simply supported on 200 mm thick walls has effective spans of 6.6 m x 3.0 m. Use the data provided below to design for bending only and hence sketch the slab showing reinforcement details.

Data

Imposed load	-	2.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup> ;
Finishes	-	0.4 kN/m <sup>2</sup> ;
Concrete density	-	24 kN/m <sup>3</sup> ;

Take:

Cover as 15 mm thick

Concrete grade C30

$f_y = 460 \text{ N/mm}^2$ .

loading - dead load = 1 x 1  
imposed load = 2.6 x 2.4 = 6.24

$$0.15 \times 1 \times 24 = 3.6$$

effective span  
= 6.6 m x 3.0 m

$$\frac{6600}{3000} = 2.2$$

$$1.4 \times 3.6 + 1.6 \times 2.4 = 9.2$$

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$$m_m = \frac{1.4 \times 3.6}{3.0} = 1.76$$

$$0.054 \times 9.2 \times 3^2 = 4.5$$

$$0.059 \times 9.2 \times 3^2 = 4.8$$

$$m_u = 0.156 \times 60 \times 4 = 46.08$$

$$m_u = 0.156 \times 460 \times 100 \times 100 = 716160$$

d = h - cover

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$$d = 150 - \frac{15}{2} = 132.5$$

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## SECTION B: GEOTECHNOLOGY II

Answer **TWO** questions from this section.

4. (a) Explain the following terms of the elements of faults:

(i) fault;

(ii) dip.

(5 marks)

- (b) With the aid of sketches, describe the following types of faults:

(i) normal faults;

(ii) reverse faults.

(12 marks)

- (c) State the **three** recognition of faults.

(3 marks)

5. (a) Explain **three** factors that influence the method of breaking a hard rock.

(6 marks)

- (b) Describe the drilling and blasting method of breaking a hard rock.

(8 marks)

- (c) Explain:

(i) handling misfire of explosives;

(ii) storing explosives.

(6 marks)

6. (a) Distinguish between inlier and outlier.

(4 marks)

- (b) Discuss the term time-scale as used in geology.

(4 marks)

- (c) **Map 3** shows the plan of a geological map.

(i) determine the gradient of the beds;

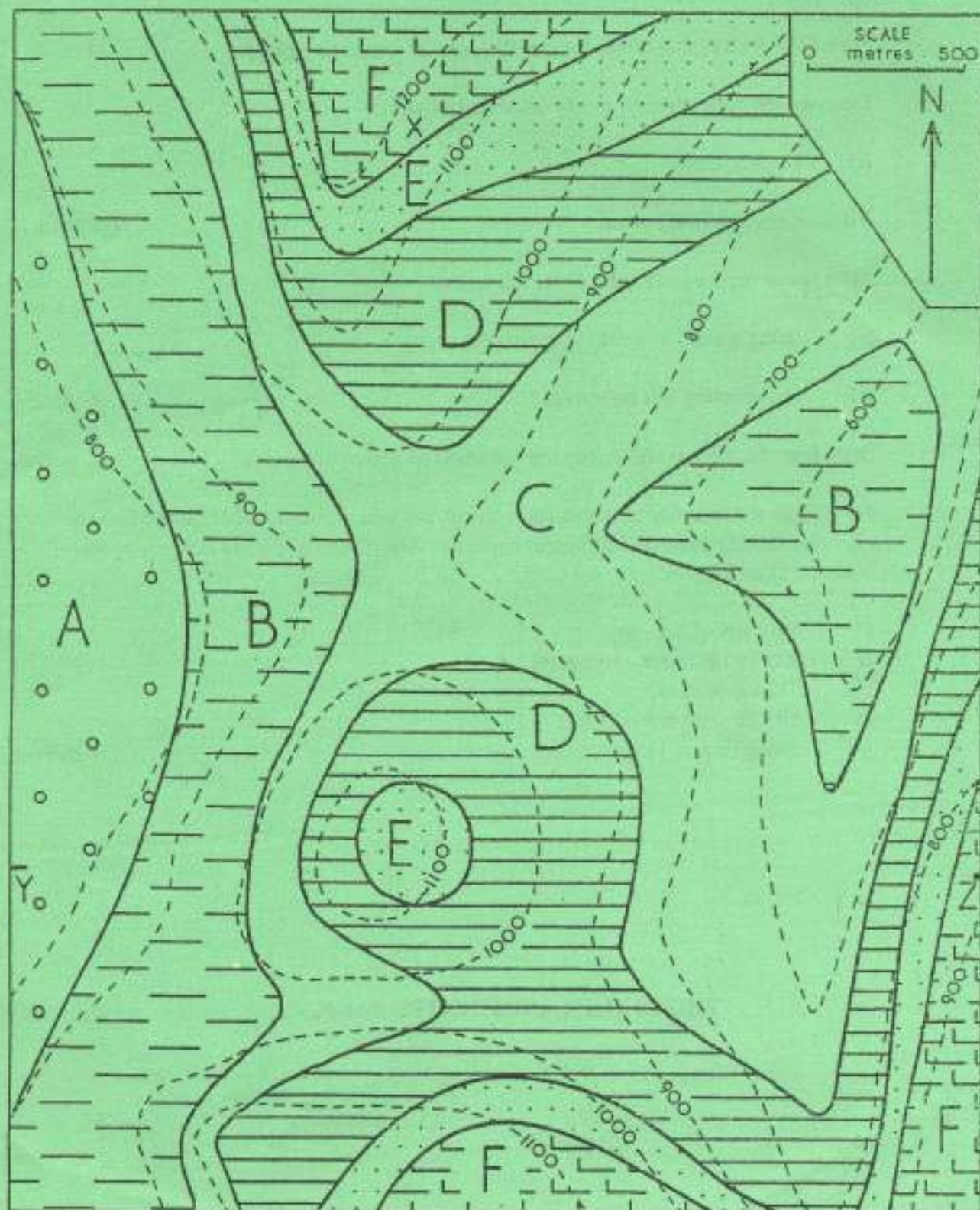
(ii) draw a geological section along Y-Z to show the layers A, B, C, D and E;

(iii) on the geological section, indicate an inlier and outlier.

(12 marks)



# MAP 3



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## SECTION C: CONCRETE TECHNOLOGY II

Answer **ONE** question from this section.

7. (a) State **four** factors that affect the productivity of concreting plants. (4 marks)
- (b) Describe the following types of concreting plants:
- (i) trucker mixer;
  - (ii) central mixing plant. (10 marks)
- (c) State **three** precautions to be observed when:
- (i) using a hoist as a lifting appliance;
  - (ii) transporting wet concrete. (6 marks)
8. (a) State **four** factors that influence the selection of concreting plant. (4 marks)
- (b) Determine the quantity of materials required per batch and probable output from a concrete mixing plant of 1200 litres capacity. The design per 1000 litres of mixed concrete is as follows:
- I 5.6 bags of cement;
  - II 923 kg of coarse aggregates;
  - III 715 kg of sand;
  - IV 195 litres of water;
  - V fixing time = 115 seconds. (16 marks)

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