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Guidelines for completion of test:

- On each page, fill in your name and your application code
- Each question has four answers while only one answer is correct.
- Marked correct answer means 4 points
- Marked incorrect answer means -1 point
- Unmarked answer means 0 points.
- Correct answer shall be marked with a cross across the letter indicating the correct answer.
- To undo the crossed answer, draw a circle around the crossed letter.
- Other ways of marking the answer are considered incorrect (-1 point)
- Duration of the test is 90 minutes.

The exam questions:

1) Determine the characteristic value of axial force at the base of the internal reinforced concrete column S2. Consider the loading from one floor (self-weight, live load, dead load). The influence area of column is defined by the mid-span of adjacent spans. The density of reinforced concrete is $25 \mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}^{3}$.


- Depth of RC slab: $h_{d}=240 \mathrm{~mm}$
- Other dead load: $(\mathrm{g}-\mathrm{go})_{\mathrm{k}}=2 \mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$
- Live load: $\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{k}}=3 \mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$
- Column dimension: $400 \times 500 \mathrm{~mm}$
- Column height: h=3.0 m


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2) 4-storey RC in-situ frame system (uniformly distributed load in all spans + wind load parallel to the frames' plane); spacing of frames is even, columns and beams have constant sections. Compare values of loading for edge frame $A$ and inner frame $B$ :
[A ] Both vertical load and wind load are bigger for frame B than for frame A
[B] Both vertical and horizontal load are the same for both frames
[ C ] Vertical load is same for frame A and B, wind load is bigger for frame B
[D ] Vertical load is bigger for frame B, wind load is the same for both frames

3) What does the creep of concrete mean?
[A ] The increase in strain with time resulting from the drying of concrete
[B] The increase in strain with time resulting from long-term sustained load
[C ] The decrease in stress in concrete with time resulting from the constant deformation
[D ] The decrease in compressive strength of concrete with time due to concrete aging
4) The effect of corrosion induced by carbonation does not have to be considered for:
[A] Plain concrete
[B] Reinforced concrete
[C] Pre-stressed concrete
[D ] Steel fiber reinforced concrete
5) What does the water to cement ratio mean?
[A ] The weight ratio of the amount of water to the amount of cement
[B] The volume ratio of the amount of water to the amount of cement
[C] The volume ratio of the amount of water to the amount of concrete
[D ] The weight ratio of the amount of cement to the amount of concrete
6) The overhanging under-reinforced concrete beam is subjected to point loads " F " (see picture). The first flexural cracks are expected to occur:
[ A ] At the midspan of the beam
[ B ] Over the supports of the beam
[C ] Over the supports and at the midspan of the beam at the same time
[D] At the beam ends

7) Which of the following loading fits into the group of permanent loads?

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[A] Self-weight
[B] Snow load
[C] Wind load
[D ] Live load (imposed load)
8) Determine the minimum height H of the attic to ensure the stability of the reinforced concrete awning (consider only the self-weight of the structure). The density of both materials is $2500 \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}$; all safety factors equal to 1 .
[A ] 800 mm
[B] 1000 mm
[C] 1200 mm
[D] 1400 mm

9) The flexural capacity of non-reinforced concrete cross-section of the depth „2h" in comparison with the cross-section of the depth „, ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ is:
[ A ] 2x higher
[ B ] 4x higher
[C] $8 x$ higher
[D ] 16x higher

10) Axial force is zero in the members:
[A] 1,2,9,10
[B] 1,2,3,9,10
[C] 3,6,9,10
[D ] None of the above statements is valid

11) The core of the cross-section has shape:
[A] Square
[B] Tetragon


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[C] Pentagon
[D] Hexagon
12) The planar structure is statically indeterminate:
[A] $3 x$
[B] $2 x$
[C] $5 x$
[D] $4 x$

13) The planar frame is solved by the slope deflection method. How many unknown displacements, linear and angular, we must introduce? The structure has N degrees of freedom:
[A] $4 x$
[B] $6 x$
[C] $5 x$
[D] $7 x$

14) The theoretical effective length of columns supporting a rigid plate in the plane is:
[A] $L=2^{*} h$
[B] $L=0.5^{*} h$
[C] $L=h$
[D] L=0.7*h

15) The value of the hogging bending moment My over the middle support of steel beam class 3 with uniform continual load $g_{d}$ is:
[A] $(1 / 12) * g_{d} * L^{2}$
[B] $(1 / 8) * \mathrm{~g}_{d} * L^{2}$
[C] $(1 / 8) * \mathrm{~g}_{d} * L$
[D ] $(1 / 4) * g_{d} * L^{2}$


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16) Critical force of ideal member is possible express by following formula:
[A] $\quad N_{c r}=\frac{\pi \cdot E \cdot I^{2}}{L}$
[B] $\quad N_{c r}=\frac{\pi^{2} \cdot L \cdot I}{E}$
[C] $\quad N_{c r}=\frac{\pi^{2} \cdot E \cdot I}{L^{2}}$
[D] $\quad N_{c r}=\frac{\pi^{2} \cdot E \cdot L^{2}}{l}$
17) Elastic section modulus ( $\mathrm{W}_{\mathrm{el}, \mathrm{y}}$ ) of „," profile shown in the picture is:
[A] $216000 \mathrm{~mm}^{3}$
[B] $176000 \mathrm{~mm}^{3}$
[C ] $216000 \mathrm{~mm}^{4}$
[D ] $106000 \mathrm{~mm}^{3}$

18) In fire design of timber structure using reduced cross-section method is strength and rigidity drop compensated by:
[A] Increasing of the charring depth
[ B ] Increasing of the characteristic strength of timber
[C ] Increasing of the time when the fire affecting the structure
[D ] All factors mentioned above
19) To perform its essential function, the reinforcement plaster mesh should be positioned:
[A ] In the bottom third of plaster thickness (in the third furthest from the surface)
[B] In the top third of plaster thickness (in the third closest to the surface)
[C ] At the interface between masonry and plaster
[D ] None of the above, the mesh acts in the same way regardless its position in the plaster layer
20) A building component has thermal transmittance $U=0,5 \mathrm{~W} /\left(\mathrm{m}^{2} \cdot \mathrm{~K}\right)$. The area of the building component is $A=10 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ and the temperature difference across the building component is $20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The heat loss through this building component is:

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| [A] | 200 W |
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| [B] | 100 W |
| [C ] | $100 \mathrm{~W} / \mathrm{K}$ |
| [D ] | $200 \mathrm{~W} / \mathrm{s}$ |

21) The action of the resulting lateral pressure on an existing retaining wall:
[A] Is higher if the underground water is below the foundation level of the wall
[B] Is not changed by elevation of the water level above the foundation level
[C ] Is lower if the underground water is below the foundation level due to uplift
[ D ] Is lower if the underground water is below the foundation level
22) Relationship between active earth pressure and angle of internal friction of soil:
[A ] Active pressure is higher if the angle of internal friction increases
[B] Active earth pressure decreases if the angle of internal friction increases
[C ] Active earth pressure is not related to the angle of internal friction
[D ] Active earth pressure is related to the hydrostatic pressure only
23) Resistance of a vertically loaded pile which is embedded in dense sand is composed of:
[ A ] The shaft resistance (skin friction) but the toe (tip) resistance is negligible
[ B ] The shaft and the tip resistance
[C] The tip resistance but the shaft resistance is negligible
[ D ] The resistance of both (shaft and tip) but the total pile resistance is negligible because of the sand which is non-cohesive soil
24) Heat recovery in the ventilation equipment is used usually for:
[A ] Heating of the supply air with heat from the exhaust air.
[B] Direct heating of hot water with waste heat from the fan drive.
[C ] Adjustment of absolute supply air humidity.
[D] Drive fan motor.
25) Condensing boiler:
[ A ] Utilizes changes in the state of water in the flue gas to increase efficiency.
[B] Produces steam from the condensate in the steam heating system.
[C ] Is used to increase the return water temperature in the hot water system.
[D ] Is in the district heating station.
