## Indian Institute of Science UE 204: Midsemester Test

Date: 26/2/14. Duration: 10.00 a.m.–12.00 noon Maximum Marks: 100

- 1. A bar fixed at both the ends is subjected to loads  $2Pe_x$  and  $-Pe_x$  at points B (20) and C at distances L/3 and 2L/3, respectively, as shown in Fig. 1. Assuming the Young modulus to be E, cross sectional area to be A, and using a 1D approximation  $\tau = E\epsilon$ , find the stresses  $\tau_{AB}$ ,  $\tau_{BC}$  and  $\tau_{CD}$  in the sections AB, BC and CD, and the displacements  $\Delta_B$  and  $\Delta_C$  of the points B and C.
- 2. A two-bar truss has pin joints at A, B and C, and is subjected to a vertical (40) load of P as shown in Fig. 2. Given that  $E_{AB} = E_{BC}$ ,  $A_{AB} = A_{BC} \cos^3 \theta$ , determine the angle  $\theta$  such that the *magnitudes* of the horizontal and vertical deflections under the load P are the same.
- 3. A cantilever beam of length L and unit width (into the paper) makes an angle  $\theta$  with the vertical (z-axis), and has water on one side as shown in (40) Fig. 3. The pressure p in the water is governed by the differential equation  $dp/dz = \rho g$ , where  $\rho$  is the density, and g is the gravitational acceleration (both are constant). Assuming that p = 0 at z = 0, find the pressure field as a function of z. Using the sign convention introduced in the class, determine the (internal) shear force V and bending moment M for the beam as a function of the local coordinate  $\bar{x}$  shown in the figure ( $\bar{x} = 0$  at the fixed end and  $\bar{x} = L$  at the free end.). Assume the pressure on the lower side of the beam to be zero as shown in the figure.



Figure 1:



Figure 2:



Figure 3: