

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING – SEMESTER 6 – EXAMINATION – SUMMER 2026

Subject Code: 3164103

Date: 29/05/2026

Subject Name: Modelling and Simulation

Time: 10:30 AM TO 01:00 PM

Total Marks: 70

Instructions:

- 1. Attempt all questions.**
- 2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.**
- 3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.**
- 4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.**

- Q.1**
- (a) List advantages of modeling and simulation. **03**
 - (b) What is the primary purpose of data exchange standards in computer-aided design, and why are they vital for collaborative engineering projects? **04**
 - (c) What role does Modeling and Simulation play in product data management and communication? **07**
- Q.2**
- (a) Distinguish briefly between Bottom-Up and Top-Down assembly design approaches. **03**
 - (b) Elaborate on the architecture and application of the Graphical Kernel System (GKS) as a standard for computer graphics. **04**
 - (c) Discuss Open Graphics Library (OpenGL) in detail. **07**
- OR
- Q.2**
- (c) Explain parametric representation with example. **07**
- Q.3**
- (a) Differentiate between a node and an element within a discretized mesh. **03**
 - (b) Explain the concepts of Mesh Refinement and Mesh Enrichment. **04**
 - (c) Discuss the step-by-step generalized procedure of the Finite Element Method (FEM) for solving a continuum structural engineering problem. **07**
- OR
- Q.3**
- (a) What is a Natural Co-ordinate System and what is its main advantage over a global coordinate system? **03**
 - (b) Explain different Boolean commands used for modeling. **04**
 - (c) List and explain types of elements used in modeling. **07**
- Q.4**
- (a) Differentiate between a Scalar Variable Problem and a Vector Variable Problem regarding degrees of freedom per node. **03**
 - (b) Compare the structural differences, strengths, and standard applications of IGES and STEP data exchange standards. **04**
 - (c) Explain the step-by-step mathematical framework of Variational Formulation (Rayleigh-Ritz Method). **07**
- OR
- Q.4**
- (a) What do you mean by Boundary Condition in the field of modeling? **03**
 - (b) Discuss the engineering challenges associated with handling interferences of positions and orientation when combining parts from different designers in a unified assembly environment. **04**

(c) Differentiate clearly between the assumptions and application boundaries of Plane Stress and Plane Strain formulations in 2D vector problems. 07

Q.5 (a) Define Von Mises Stress and state why it is widely used by design engineers to predict failure. 03

(b) Define the term Poisson's Ratio and state its typical range for engineering metals. 04

(c) Discuss different types of analysis for FEM, also mention advantages and limitations of FEM. 07

OR

Q.5 (a) Explain the importance of "Discretization" in FEA. What happens if the mesh size is made extremely fine? 03

(b) Name three commercial CAD/CAE software packages commonly used in engineering industries for modeling and simulation. 04

(c) Figure shows the compound section fixed at both ends. Estimate the reaction forces at the supports and the stresses in each material when a force of 200 kN is applied at the change of cross section. 07


