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Course Title: Construction Materials and Engineering Mechanics

Lecture No. 42:

Problems on Centre of gravity and Moment of Inertia

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Lecture Intended Learning Outcomes

At the end of this lecture, students will be able to:

- Calculate the co-ordinates of the centroid of the composite section by breaking into simple regular areas
- Solve for the Moment of Inertia of sections with respect to the considered axis
- Apply parallel axis theorem to obtain the MI of the sections

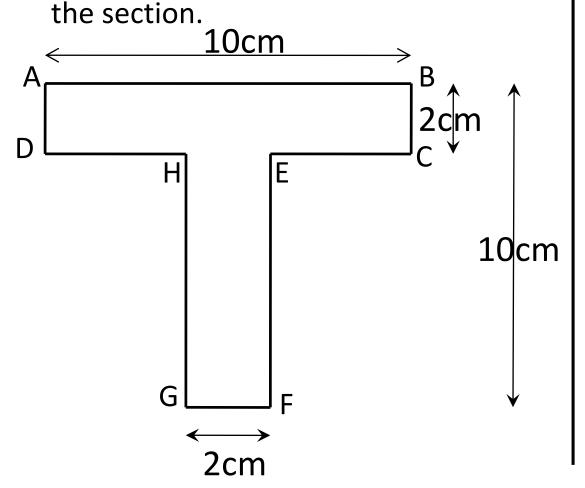


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1.Determine the moment of inertia of the given section about the horizontal and vertical axes passing through the centre of gravity of



Solution:

Step 1. Determine centroidal axis of the section

Step 2. Apply parallel axis theorem and obtain the MI of the simple composite areas with respect to the CG axis

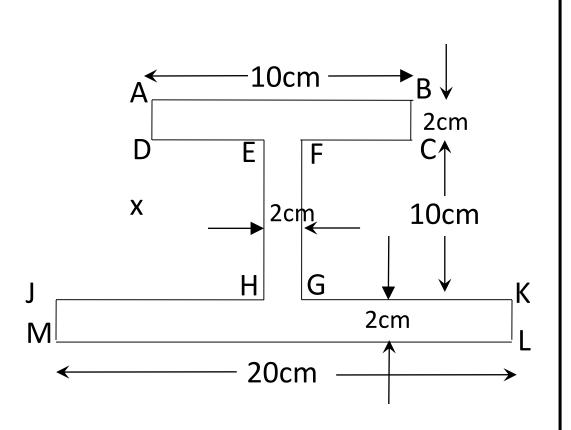
Ans:

$$I_{XX} = 314.24cm^4$$

$$I_{yy} = 172.00cm^4$$



2. Determine the moment of inertia of the given section about the centroidal axis X-X perpendicular to the web.



Solution:

Step 1. Determine centroidal axis of the section by determining the co-ordinates of CG

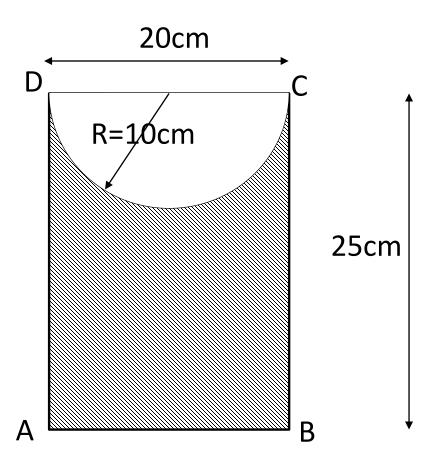
Step 2. Apply parallel axis theorem and obtain the MI of the simple composite areas with respect to the CG axis.

Ans:

$$I_{xx} = 2166.66cm^4$$



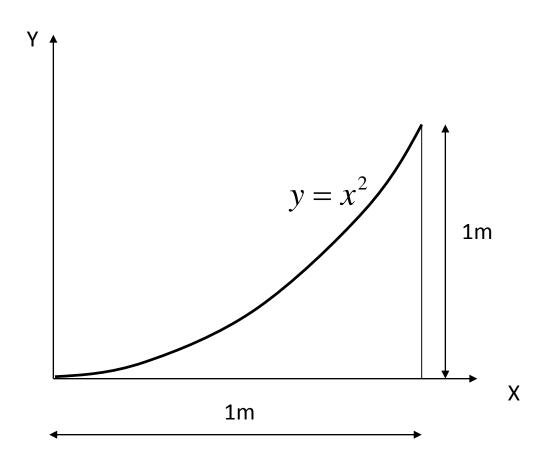
3. Find the MI of the area shown shaded in the figure about base AB.



Ans:

$$I_{AB} = 32,533cm^4$$

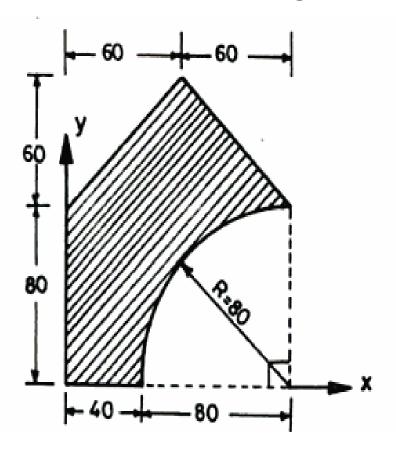
4. Locate the centroid of the area given.



$$\bar{x} = \frac{3}{4}m$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{3}{10}m$$

5. Locate the centroid of the shaded area given.

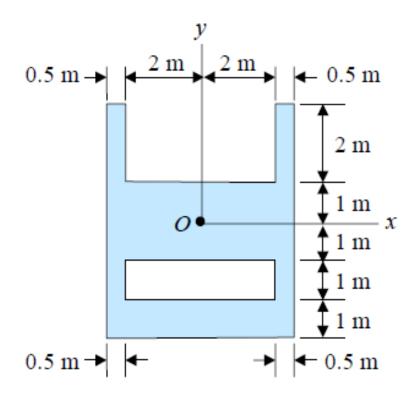


$$x = 44cm$$

$$y = 70.12cm$$



6. Locate the centroid of the area given.



$$x = 2.5m$$

$$y = 2.44m$$



Summary

- The composite areas are divided into simple areas and the coordinates of the centre of gravity are determined
- Integration method is adopted to find out the centre of gravity for irregular shapes
- Parallel axis theorem is applied to find out the MI of the section

