

**MEng (Engineering) Examination 2016**

**Year 1**

**AE1-110 Introduction to Structural Analysis**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016: 14.00 to 16.00  
[2 hours]**

The paper is divided into Section A and Section B  
and contains ***FOUR*** questions.

In each section, the FIRST question has  
HALF the weight of the SECOND question.

Candidates may obtain full marks for complete answers to ***ALL*** questions.

**You must answer each section in a separate answer booklet.**

A data sheet is provided

**The use of lecture notes is NOT allowed.**

## Section A

Note that Question 1 is worth half the marks of Question 2.

1. (a) For each of the three pin-jointed frameworks shown in Figure 1a determine whether it is statically determinate, statically indeterminate, a mechanism, or a combination of these. If the framework is a mechanism sketch a possible deformed strain-free configuration, and state what assumptions must be made for this deformed configuration to occur. [50%]

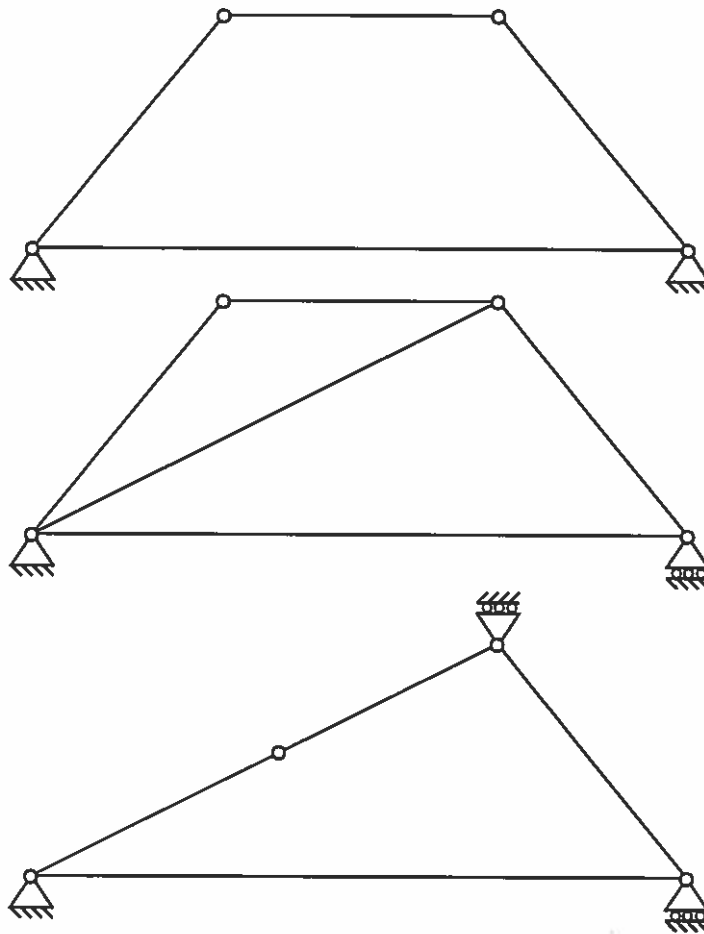


Figure 1a

*(Question continued overleaf)*

- (b) In the pin-jointed framework shown in Figure 1b, all members have Young's modulus  $E$ , constant cross section area  $A$ , and coefficient of thermal expansion  $\alpha$ . The horizontal and vertical members all have length  $L$  and the diagonal members are oriented at  $45^\circ$  to the horizontal. The nodes are numbered as shown. Bar 13 is subjected to a temperature change of  $\Delta T$  which results in the displacement  $u$  of node 3 which by symmetry is oriented along the same direction as bar 13. Geometric relationships between the bar extensions and the displacement  $u$  are tabulated below.

BAR	Length ( $\times L$ )	Extension ( $\times u$ )
13	$\sqrt{2}$	1
23	1	$1/\sqrt{2}$
34	1	$1/\sqrt{2}$

- Write expressions for the strains in the bars in terms of the displacement  $u$ . [10%]
- Using Hooke's Law in one dimension write expressions for the forces in the bars in terms of  $u$  and  $\Delta T$ . [15%]
- Using expressions of nodal equilibrium and your previous answers determine the displacement  $u$  resulting from  $\Delta T$ . [25%]

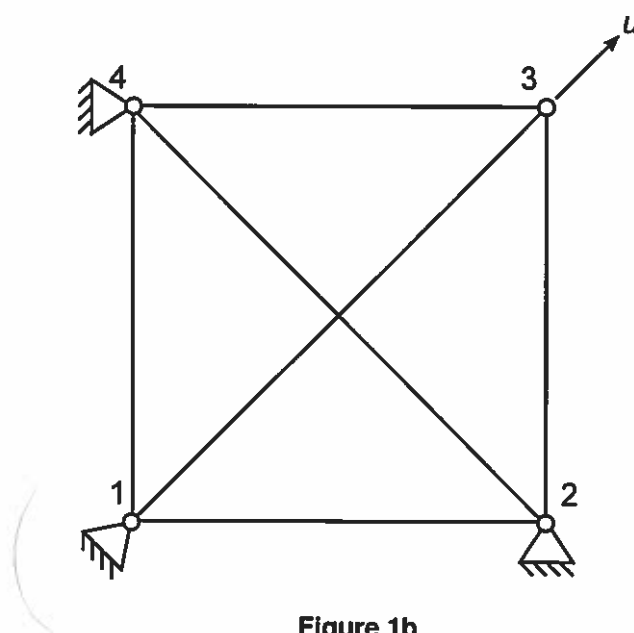


Figure 1b

2. Figure 2 shows a pin-jointed framework with members having Young's modulus  $E$ , cross-sectional area  $A$ , and coefficient of thermal expansion  $\alpha$ . All the horizontal members have initial length  $L$ . All diagonal members are oriented at  $45^\circ$  to the horizontal. Boundary conditions are applied to nodes 1 and 3 as shown.

- (a) Confirm that the structure is statically determinate. [5%]
- (b) Using the virtual work method determine the vertical deflection of node 2 resulting from a vertically-downward applied force  $P$  applied at node 5. [55%]
- (c) The force  $P$  is removed and a temperature increase  $\Delta T$  is applied to bar 25. Determine the resulting vertical deflection of node 2. [20%]
- (d) The temperature change  $\Delta T$  is removed and actuators cause the lengths of bars 15 and 35 to contract by an amount  $\delta$ . Determine the resulting vertical deflection of node 2. [20%]

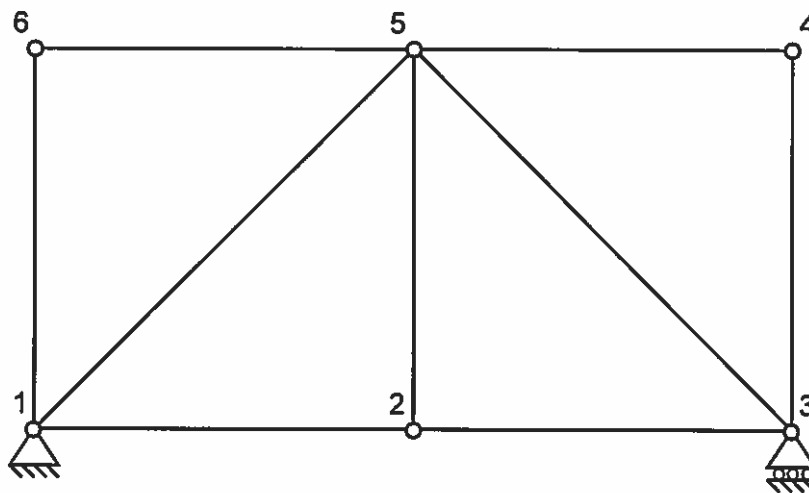


Figure 2

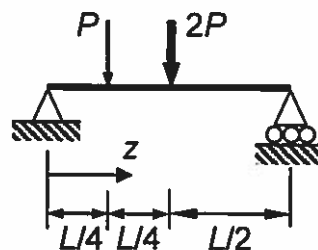
**Section B**

**Note that Question 3 is worth half the marks of question 4.**

3.

(a) Figure 3a shows a simply supported beam subjected to two point loads.

- i. Determine the support reactions. [15%]
- ii. Determine the bending moments at  $z = L/4$  and  $z = L/2$ . [20%]
- iii. Without any further calculation sketch the bending moment diagram for the beam. Mark clearly on the diagram the direction of curvature. [15%]



**Figure 3a**

*[Question continued overleaf]*

- (b) Figure 3b shows a cantilevered bar subjected to a torque of 30 Nm at  $z = 1$  m and includes the resulting twist at the free end ( $z = 4$  m).

Figure 3c shows the same cantilevered bar subjected to a torque of 1 Nm at the free end and again gives the resulting twist.

The same bar is now supported and loaded as shown in Figure 3d. For this case

- determine the reaction torque at  $z = 4$  m; [20%]
- determine and sketch the distribution of the internal torque in the bar. [30%]

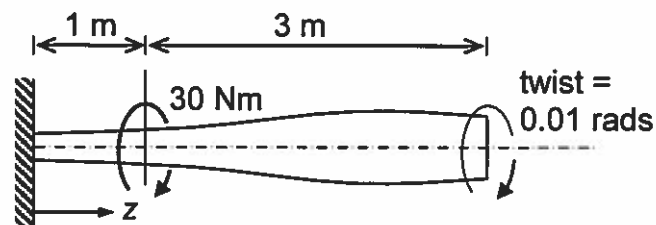


Figure 3b

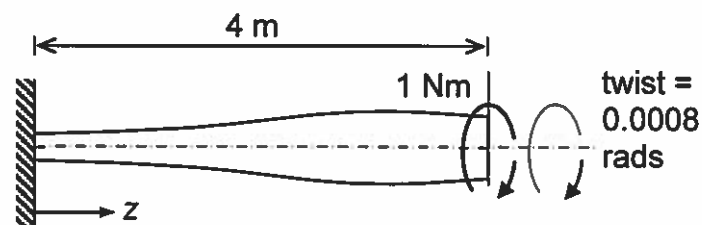


Figure 3c

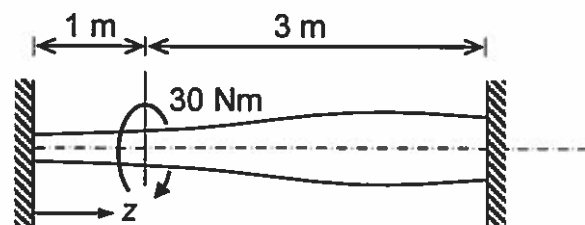


Figure 3d

4.

- (a) Figure 4a shows a simply supported beam which projects beyond the right-hand support. The beam is subjected to a uniformly distributed load over  $0 < z < L$  and a point load at  $z = 2L$ .

Derive equations for the shear force and bending moment distributions for the beam. Sketch the corresponding shear force and bending moment diagrams. On the bending moment diagram, indicate the values of any maxima or minima and clearly mark the direction of curvature. [32%]

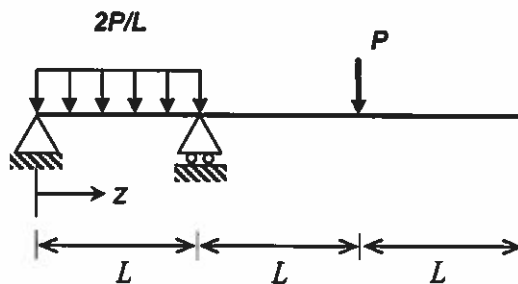


Figure 4a

- (b) Figure 4b shows a simply supported beam subjected to a downward linearly varying distributed load and includes the equation for the bending moment.

Derive an equation for the vertical displacement of the beam as a function of  $z$ . [20%]

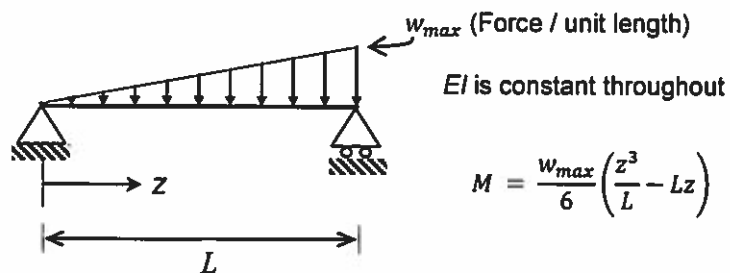


Figure 4b

[Question continued overleaf]

- (c) Figure 4c shows a simply supported beam which has a flexural stiffness of  $2EI$  over  $0 \leq z < L$  and  $EI$  over  $L \leq z < 2L$ . The beam is subjected to a concentrated moment  $M^*$  at  $z = 2L$  and the resulting vertical deflection at this position is given in the figure.

Figure 4d shows the same beam subjected to a unit vertical force at  $z = 2L$  and gives the bending moment distribution.

The same beam is now additionally supported at  $z = 2L$  and subjected to a concentrated moment  $M^*$  at  $z = 2L$  as shown in Figure 4e. Determine the reaction force at  $z = 2L$  and the bending moment at  $z = 3L/2$ .

[48%]

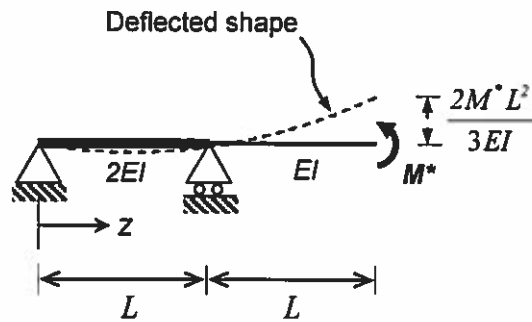
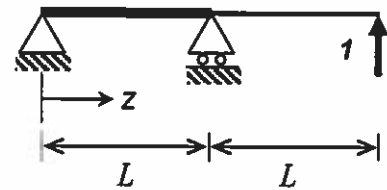


Figure 4c



$$M = -z \quad M = z - 2L$$

Figure 4d

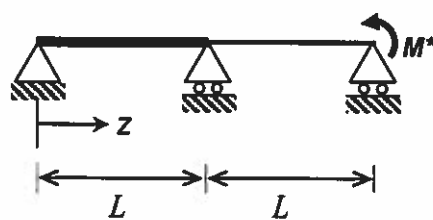


Figure 4e



## Introduction to Structural Analysis Data Sheet

**Constitutive Stress/strain Law (Hooke's Law):**

$$\varepsilon_{xx} = \frac{1}{E} (\sigma_{xx} - \nu \sigma_{yy} - \nu \sigma_{zz}) \text{ etc.}$$

$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{G} \text{ etc.}$$

**Compatibility:**

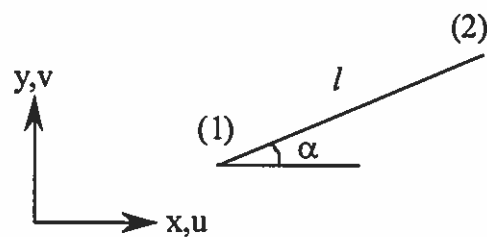
$$\varepsilon_{xx} = \frac{du}{dx} \text{ etc.}$$

**Elastic constants:**

$$\text{Shear modulus, } G = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)}$$

$$\text{Bulk modulus, } K = \frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)}$$

**Stretch of a pin-jointed bar in terms of end displacements:**



$$\Delta l = (u_2 - u_1) \cos \alpha + (v_2 - v_1) \sin \alpha$$

**Virtual Work (unit load) theorem for pin-jointed frameworks:**

$$\bar{1} \cdot \delta = \sum \bar{T}_{ij} \cdot e_{ij}$$

**Virtual Work (unit load) theorem for beams:**

$$\bar{1} \cdot \delta = \int \frac{\bar{M} M}{EI} dz$$

**Stress–moment–curvature relationships for beams:**

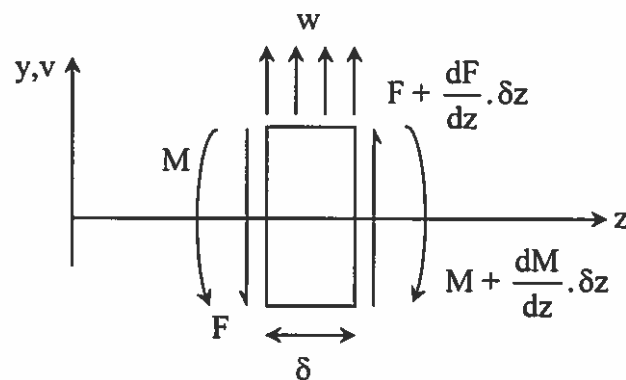
$$\frac{\sigma}{y} = \frac{M}{I} = \frac{E}{R} \quad \text{where } \frac{1}{R} = -\frac{d^2v}{dz^2}$$

**Stress-torque-twist relationship for circular section tubes:**

$$\frac{\tau}{r} = \frac{T}{J} = G \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dz}$$

**Load–shear–moment relationship:**

$$-w = \frac{dF}{dz}; \quad F = \frac{dM}{dz}$$



**The torsion constant** for a thick circular tube of outer and inner radii  $R_0$  and  $R_1$  is

$$J = \frac{\pi}{2} (R_0^4 - R_1^4)$$

and for a thin-walled tube of mid-line radius  $R$  and wall thickness  $t$ ,  $J = 2\pi R^3 t$ .

**Unit load method for singly redundant beam:**

$$X \cdot \delta_1 + \delta_0 = 0$$

$$\text{where } \delta_0 = \int \frac{M_0 \cdot \bar{M}}{EI} dz; \quad \delta_1 = \int \frac{\bar{M}^2}{EI} dz$$

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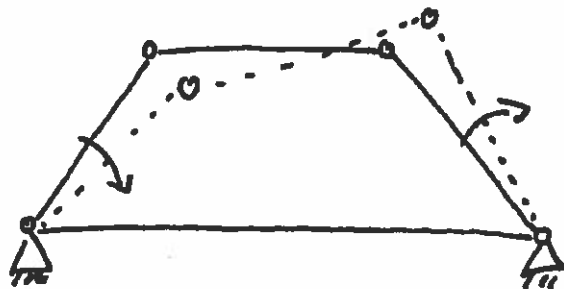
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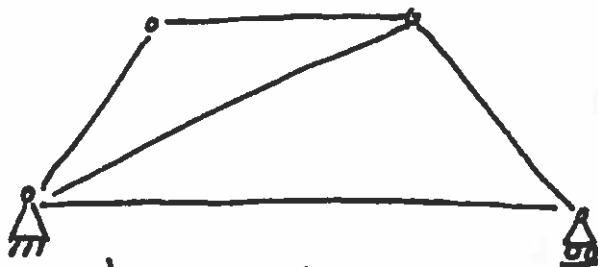
$$b + r - 2j$$

$$4 + 4 - 8 = 0$$

by inspection, one mechanism &amp; one redundancy

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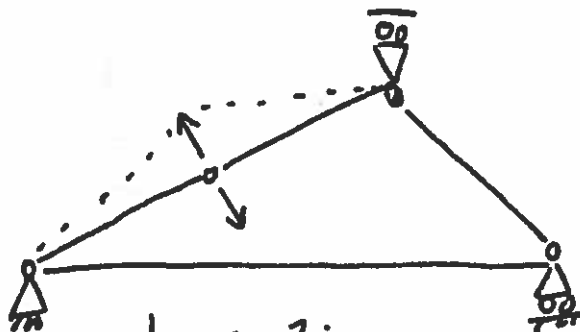
$$b + r - 2j$$

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and by inspection statically determinate

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$$4 + 4 - 8 = 0$$

by inspection an infinitesimal mechanism

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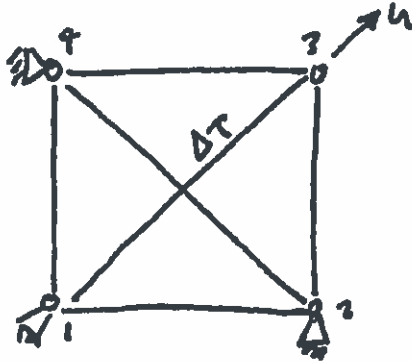
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Bar	Length (xL)	Extension (x u)
13	$\sqrt{2}$	1
23	1	$1/\sqrt{2}$
34	1	$1/\sqrt{2}$

All other bars have  
zero extension

$$i) \epsilon_{13} = \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}L} = \frac{T_{13}}{AE} + \alpha \Delta T$$

$$\epsilon_{23} = \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}L} = \frac{T_{23}}{AE}$$

$$\epsilon_{34} = \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}L} = \frac{T_{34}}{AE}$$

$$ii) T_{13} = \frac{uAE}{\sqrt{2}L} - AE\alpha\Delta T$$

$$T_{23} = \frac{uAE}{\sqrt{2}L}$$

$$T_{34} = \frac{uAE}{\sqrt{2}L}$$

$$iii) \begin{array}{c} \leftarrow T_{34} \\ \swarrow T_{13} \\ \downarrow T_{23} \end{array} \quad \frac{T_{13}}{\sqrt{2}} + T_{23} = 0$$

$$\frac{uAE}{2L} - \frac{AE}{\sqrt{2}}\alpha\Delta T + \frac{uAE}{\sqrt{2}L} = 0$$

$$u = \left( \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{2+\sqrt{2}} \right) L\alpha\Delta T$$

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 $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}+1}$

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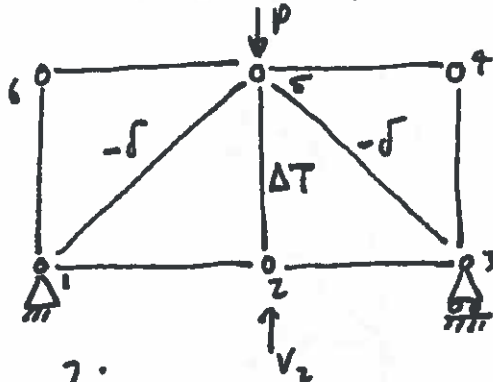
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(i)

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$$a) \quad b + r = 2j$$

$$9 + 3 - 12 = 0 \quad \text{and by inspection stat. det.}$$

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BAR	Length ( $\times L$ )	$T$ ( $\times P$ )	$e$ ( $\times \frac{PL}{AE}$ )	$T_{v_2}$	$e_{\Delta T}$	$e_{\delta}$
12	1	$1/2$	$1/2$	$-1/2$	0	0
15	$\sqrt{2}$	$-1/\sqrt{2}$	-1	$1/\sqrt{2}$	0	$-\delta$
16	1	0	0	0	0	0
23	1	$1/2$	$1/2$	$-1/2$	0	0
25	1	0	0	-1	$L \times \Delta T$	0
34	1	0	0	0	0	0
35	$\sqrt{2}$	$-1/\sqrt{2}$	<del><math>-1/2</math></del>	$1/\sqrt{2}$	0	$-\delta$
45	1	0	0	0	0	0
56	1	0	0	0	0	0

$$P \cdot \delta = T \cdot e \quad (20) \quad (5) \quad (15) \quad (10) \quad (10) \rightarrow$$

$$b) \quad 1 \cdot v_2 = \left(-\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \frac{PL}{AE} = \left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \frac{PL}{AE} = -\left(\sqrt{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{PL}{AE} \quad 15$$

$$c) \quad 1 \cdot v_2 = -L \times \Delta T \quad 10$$

$$d) \quad 1 \cdot v_2 = -\frac{\delta}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{2}} = -\sqrt{2} \delta \quad 10$$

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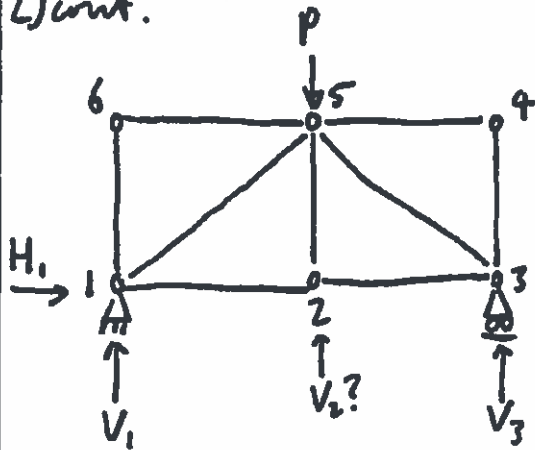
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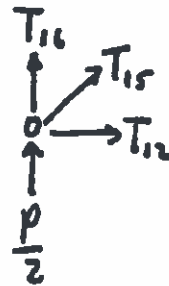
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$$H_1 = 0$$

$$V_1 = V_3 = \frac{P}{2}$$



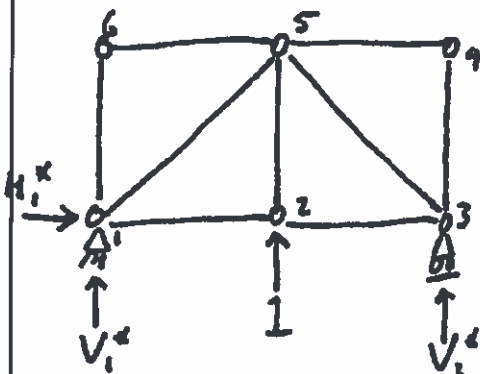
$$T_{16} = T_{34} = T_{15} = T_{56} = 0$$

$$T_{25} = 0$$

$$\frac{P}{2} + \frac{T_{15}}{\sqrt{2}} = 0 \quad T_{15} = -\frac{P}{\sqrt{2}} = T_{35}$$

$$\frac{T_{15}}{\sqrt{2}} + T_{12} = 0 \quad T_{12} = \frac{P}{2} = T_{23}$$

Fictitious Loading



$$H_1^f = 0$$

$$V_1^f = V_3^f = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$T_{16}^f = T_{34}^f = T_{15}^f = T_{56}^f = 0$$

$$T_{25}^f = -1$$

$$\frac{T_{15}^f}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$T_{15}^f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = T_{35}^f$$

$$\frac{T_{15}^f}{\sqrt{2}} + T_{12}^f = 0$$

$$T_{12}^f = -\frac{1}{2} = T_{23}^f$$

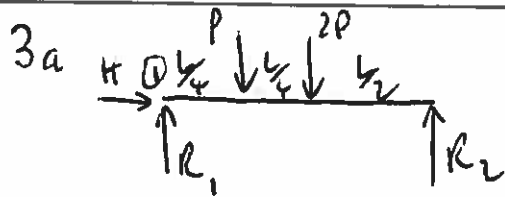
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i) Horiz eq  $\Rightarrow H=0$ . Moments eq.  $\circlearrowleft \Rightarrow \frac{PL}{4} + PL - R_2L = 0$

$\therefore R_2 = \frac{5P}{4}$ . Vert eq  $\Rightarrow R_1 + R_2 - 3P = 0$

$\therefore R_1 = \frac{7P}{4}$

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ii) at  $z = \frac{L}{4}$  Fbd:

Moments eq about cut  $\circlearrowleft \Rightarrow \frac{7P}{4} \cdot \frac{L}{4} + M = 0$

$\therefore M = -\frac{7PL}{16}$

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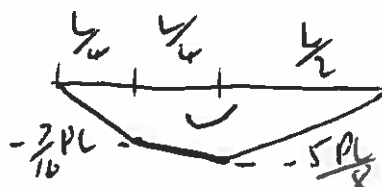
at  $z = \frac{L}{2}$  fbd:

Moments equilibrium about cut  $\circlearrowleft \Rightarrow -\frac{5P}{4} \cdot \frac{L}{2} - M = 0$

$\therefore M = -\frac{5PL}{8}$

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iii) BM diag



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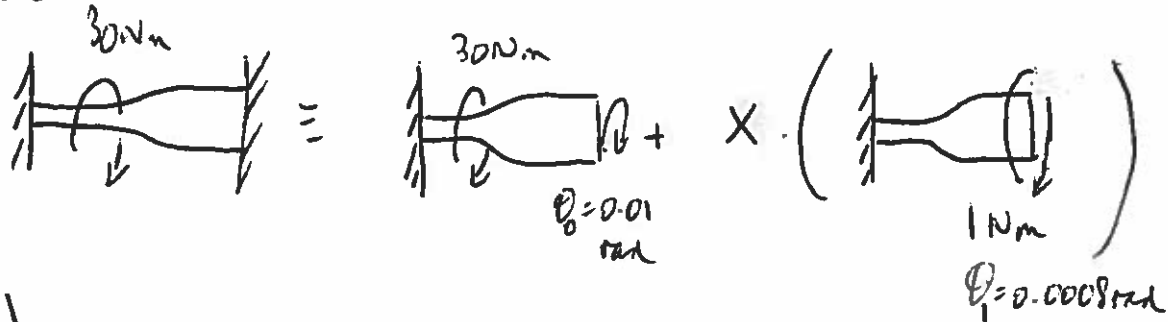
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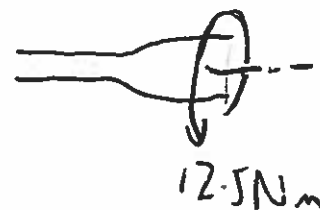
(i)

Require  $\theta_0 + X \cdot \theta_1 = 0$

$\therefore 0.01 + X \cdot 0.0008 = 0$

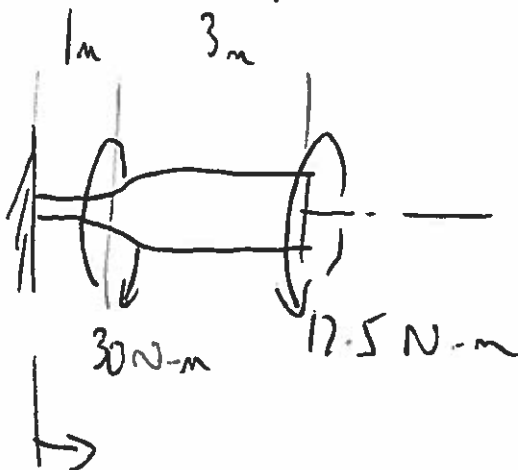
$\therefore X = \frac{-0.01}{0.0008} = -12.5$

$\therefore$  reaction torque is  $-12.5 \text{ N.m}$



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(ii)



$1 < 3 < 4$

fbd :



$\theta_1 = T = 12.5 \text{ N.m}$

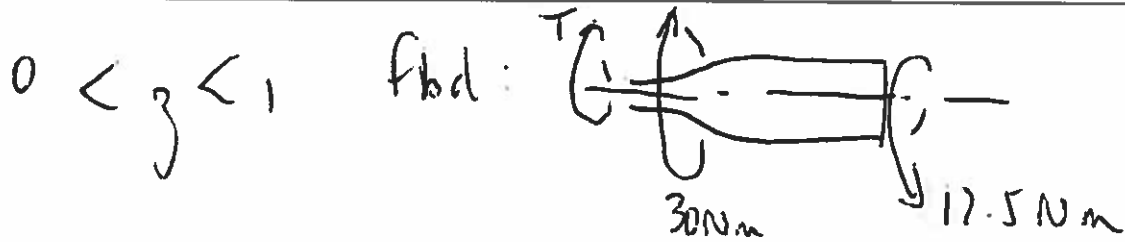
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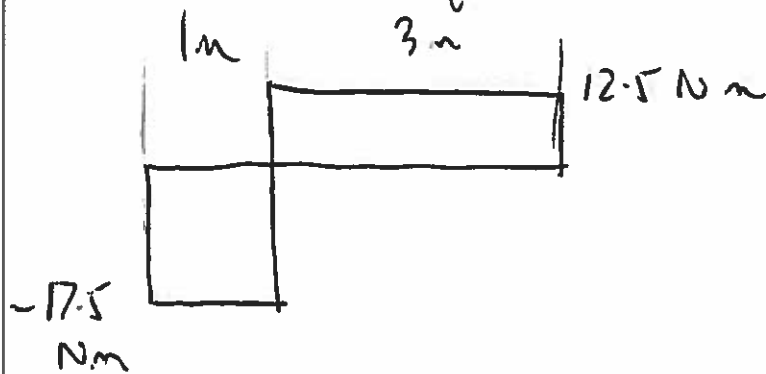
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$$\sum \tau \Rightarrow T + 30 - 17.5 = 0$$

$$\therefore T = -17.5 \text{ Nm}$$

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Internal torque distrib:



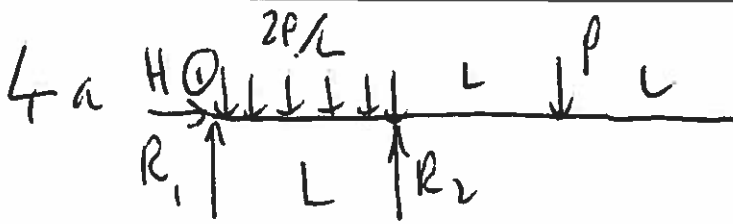
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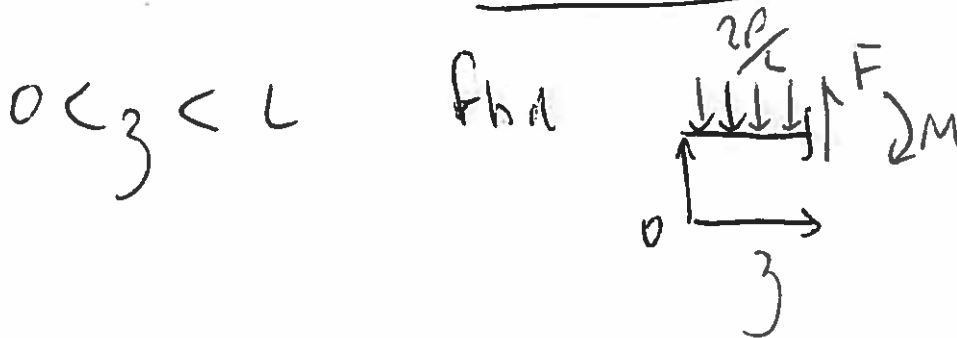
Horiz eq  $\Rightarrow H = 0$

Moment eq  $\Rightarrow \frac{2P}{L} \cdot L \cdot \frac{L}{2} + P \cdot 2L - R_2 L = 0$

$$\therefore \underline{R_2 = 3P}$$

Vert eq  $\Rightarrow R_1 + 3P - \frac{2P}{L} \cdot L - P = 0$

$$\therefore \underline{R_1 = 0}$$



Vert eq  $\Rightarrow \frac{2P}{L} \cdot z - F = 0 \quad \therefore \underline{F = \frac{2P}{L} z}$

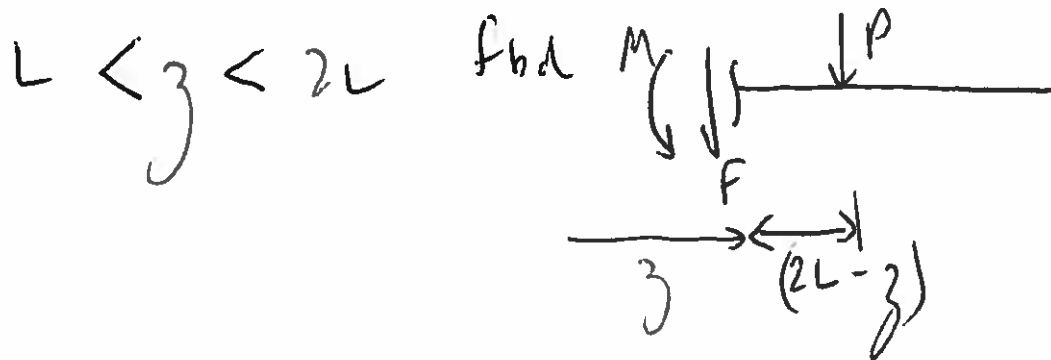
Moment eq about cut  $\Rightarrow M - \frac{2P}{L} \cdot \frac{z^2}{2} = 0$

$$\therefore \underline{M = \frac{2P}{L} \frac{z^2}{2} = \frac{Pz^2}{L}}$$

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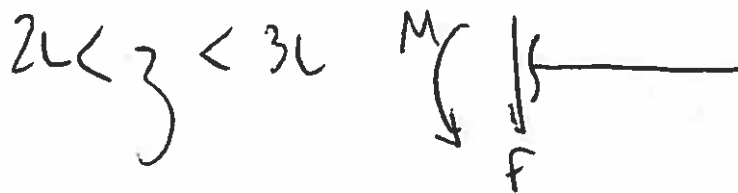
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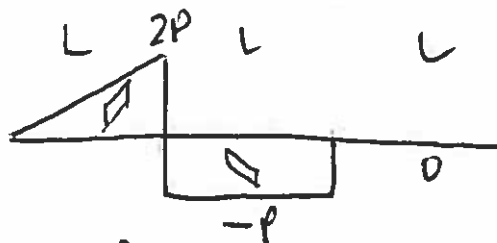
Vert eq  $\Rightarrow F + P = 0 \therefore \underline{F = -P}$

Moments eq about cut  $\Rightarrow P(2L - z) - M = 0$   
 $\therefore \underline{M = P(2L - z)}$

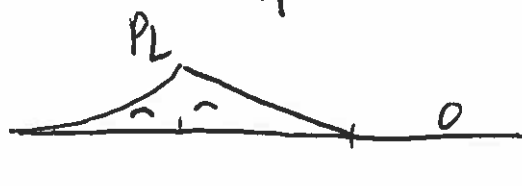


Vert & Moments eq  $\Rightarrow \underline{F = 0}$   
 $\underline{M = 0}$

F diag



M diag



Marks

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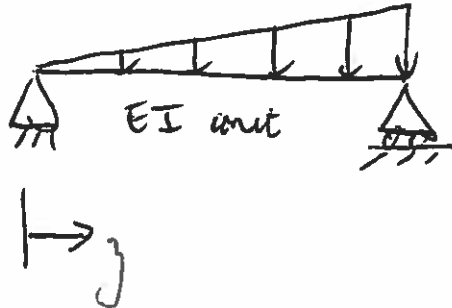
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4b



$$M = \frac{w_{max}}{6} \left( \frac{z^3}{L} - Lz \right)$$

$$(i) \frac{d^2 v}{dz^2} = -\frac{M}{EI} = -\frac{w_{max}}{6EI} \left( \frac{z^3}{L} - Lz \right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{dv}{dz} = -\frac{w_{max}}{6EI} \left( \frac{z^4}{4L} - \frac{Lz^2}{2} \right) + C_1$$

$$\therefore v = -\frac{w_{max}}{6EI} \left( \frac{z^5}{20L} - \frac{Lz^3}{6} \right) + C_1 z + C_2$$

$$\text{at } z=0 \quad v=0 \quad \therefore 0 = 0 + 0 + C_2$$

$$\therefore C_2 = 0$$

$$\text{at } z=L, \quad v=0$$

$$0 = -\frac{w_{max}}{6EI} \left( \frac{L^5}{20} - \frac{L^4}{6} \right) + C_1 L$$

$$\therefore C_1 = -\frac{w_{max}}{6EI} \cdot \frac{7L^3}{60}$$

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$$\therefore v = \frac{-w_{max}}{6EI} \left( \frac{z^5}{20L} - \frac{Lz^3}{6} + \frac{7L^3}{60}z \right)$$

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(ii) for  $v_{max}$  find where  $\frac{dv}{dz} = 0$ 

$$\frac{dv}{dz} = -\frac{w_{max}}{6EI} \left( \frac{z^4}{4L} - \frac{Lz^2}{2} + \frac{7L^3}{60} \right) = 0$$

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$$\therefore \frac{z^4}{4L} - \frac{Lz^2}{2} + \frac{7L^3}{60} = 0$$

$$z^4 - 2L^2z^2 + \frac{28L^4}{60} = 0$$

$$\therefore z^2 = \frac{2L^2 \pm \sqrt{4L^4 - \frac{28L^4}{15}}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2L^2 \pm 1.46L^2}{2}$$

$$= 1.73L^2 \text{ and } 0.27L^2$$

$$\therefore z = 0.52L$$

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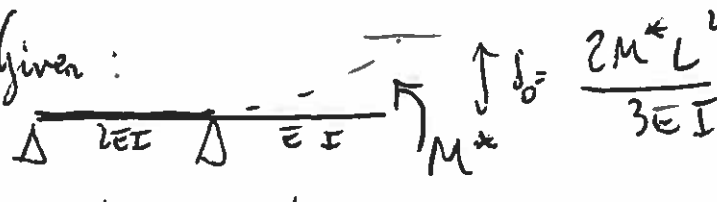
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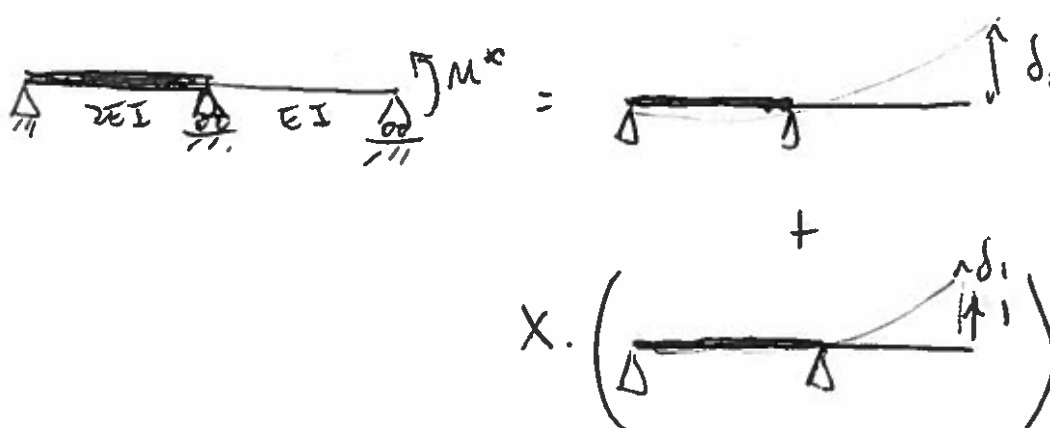
$$V_{max} = \frac{-W_{max}}{6EI} \left( \frac{0.52^5 L^6}{20} - \frac{0.52^3 L^6}{6} + \frac{7 \times 0.52 L^6}{60} \right)$$

$$= -0.0065 \frac{W_{max} L^4}{EI}$$

4c Given:



$$\delta_0 = \frac{2M^* L^2}{3EI}$$

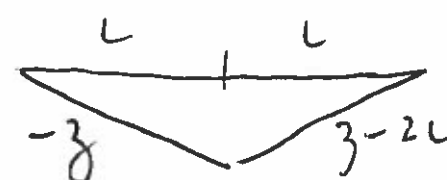


$$M^* \delta_0 + X \delta_1 = 0$$

Minimize  $\delta_0 + X \delta_1 = 0$

To determine  $\delta_1$

given M diag  $M_1$ :



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$$\delta_1 = \int_{\text{beam length}}^L \frac{M_1^2}{EI} dz$$

$$= \int_0^L \frac{z^2}{2EI} dz + \int_L^{2L} \frac{(z-2L)^2}{EI} dz$$

$$= \left[ \frac{z^3}{6EI} \right]_0^L + \left[ \frac{(z-2L)^3}{3EI} \right]_L^{2L}$$

$$= \frac{L^3}{6EI} + \frac{L^3}{3EI}$$

$$= \frac{3L^3}{6EI} = \frac{L^3}{2EI}$$

Substituting  $\delta_0$  &  $\delta_1$  into

$$\delta_0 + X\delta_1 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{2M^*L^2}{3EI} + X \frac{L^3}{2EI} = 0$$

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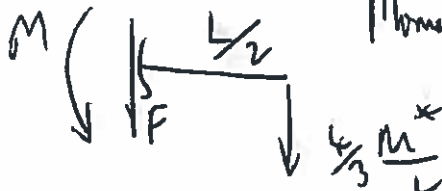
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$$X = - \frac{4}{3} \frac{M^*}{L}$$


This is the  
reaction at  
 $z = 2L$

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BM at  $z = \frac{3L}{2}$  in Fig 4c :

due to  $X$  :  Moments Equilib about cut  $\Rightarrow$   
 $M = \frac{2}{3} M^*$

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due to  $M^*$  fbd :   $M^*$

Moments equilib. about cut  $\Rightarrow M = -M^*$

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$\therefore M$  at  $z = \frac{3L}{2}$  in 4c

$$= -M^* + \frac{2}{3} M^*$$

$$= \underline{\underline{-\frac{M^*}{3}}}$$

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