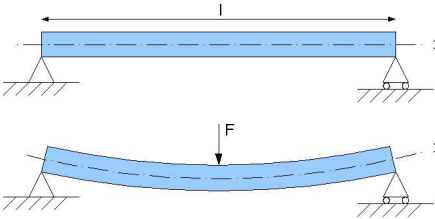


here are the different types of beams and loads with neat sketch figures:

Types of beams

- Simply supported beam: A beam that is supported at both ends by supports that allow free rotation.



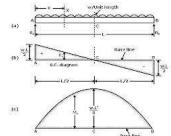
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Simply supported beam

- Cantilever beam: A beam that is supported at one end only and free at the other end.



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Uniformly distributed load

- Triangular load: A load that increases linearly from zero at one end of the beam to a maximum value at the other end.

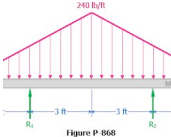


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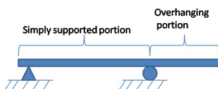
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Triangular load

- Trapezoidal load: A load that increases linearly from a minimum value at one end of the beam to a maximum value at the other end, and then decreases linearly to zero.

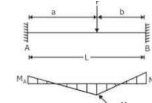
Cantilever beam

- Overhanging beam: A beam that is supported at both ends, but the end portions extend beyond the supports.



Overhanging beam

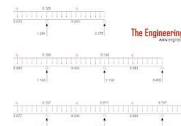
- Fixed beam: A beam that is supported at both ends by supports that do not allow free rotation.



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Fixed beam

- Continuous beam: A beam that is supported at more than two points.

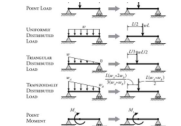


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Continuous beam

Types of loads

- Point load: A load that is applied at a single point on the beam.



Structures

Point load

- Uniformly distributed load: A load that is distributed evenly over a certain length of the beam.

The loading function of a beam is the function that describes the distribution of forces and moments along the length of the beam. The loading function can be a point load, a uniformly distributed load, a triangular load, or any other type of load.

The relationship between the bending moment, shear force, and loading function can be summarized as follows:

- The shear force at a point is equal to the rate of change of the bending moment at that point.
- The bending moment at a point is equal to the area under the shear force curve up to that point.

The shear force and bending moment diagrams are graphical representations of the shear force and bending moment functions. These diagrams can be used to analyze the behavior of a beam under loading.

For example, the maximum shear force in a beam will always occur at the supports, and the maximum bending moment will generally occur somewhere between the supports. The location of the maximum bending moment will depend on the loading function of the beam.

The shear force and bending moment diagrams can be used to determine the following:

- The maximum shear force and bending moment in the beam.
- The points of maximum shear force and bending moment.
- The regions of the beam where the shear force and bending moment are positive or negative.
- The critical sections of the beam where the shear force and bending moment are highest.

The shear force and bending moment diagrams are an important tool for the analysis of beams. They can be used to determine the strength and stiffness of a beam, and to ensure that the beam will not fail under loading.

13.

The theorem of parallel axes, also known as Steiner's theorem, relates the moment of inertia of a rigid body about an axis parallel to and at a distance from the body's center of mass to its moment of inertia about an axis through the center of mass. The theorem states:

"The moment of inertia of a rigid body about any axis parallel to an axis through its center of mass is equal to the sum of the moment of inertia about the center of mass and the product of the mass of the body and the square of the distance between the two parallel axes."

Mathematically, the theorem can be expressed as:

$$I_{\text{parallel}} = I_{\text{cm}} + md^2$$

where:

I_{parallel} is the moment of inertia about the parallel axis,
 I_{cm} is the moment of inertia about the center of mass,
 m is the mass of the body,
 d is the distance between the two parallel axes.

Proof of the theorem of parallel axes:

Let's consider a rigid body with mass m and its center of mass located at point O . We want to find the moment of inertia of this body about an axis parallel to the axis passing through point O .

Consider a small element of mass dm within the body, located at a distance r from point O .

The moment of inertia of this small mass element about the axis passing through point O is given by $dm \cdot r^2$.

To find the moment of inertia of this small mass element about the parallel axis, we need to consider the perpendicular distance between the two axes, which is d .

According to the Pythagorean theorem, we can express r in terms of d and the distance from point O to the parallel axis, x , as $r^2 = d^2 + x^2$.

Substituting this expression into the moment of inertia of the small mass element, we get $dm \cdot (d^2 + x^2)$.

To find the total moment of inertia about the parallel axis, we need to sum up the contributions from all the small mass elements that make up the body. This can be done by integrating the expression over the entire body.

Integrating $dm \cdot (d^2 + x^2)$ over the body gives the total moment of inertia about the parallel axis, which we denote as I_{parallel} .

The integral of dm over the body represents the total mass of the body, denoted as m .

The integral of $x^2 dm$ represents the moment of inertia of the body about its center of mass, denoted as I_{cm} .

Therefore, we have $I_{\text{parallel}} = \int (d^2 + x^2) dm = \int d^2 dm + \int x^2 dm = d^2 \int dm + \int x^2 dm$.

The first term $d^2 \int dm$ represents the product of the mass of the body (m) and the square of the distance between the two parallel axes (d^2).

The second term $\int x^2 dm$ represents the moment of inertia of the body about its center of mass (I_{cm}).

Thus, $I_{\text{parallel}} = d^2 \cdot m + I_{\text{cm}}$.

Hence, the theorem of parallel axes is proved.

14.

The theorem of perpendicular axes, also known as the perpendicular axis theorem, relates the moments of inertia of a planar object about two perpendicular axes. The theorem states:

"The moment of inertia of a planar object about an axis perpendicular to the plane of the object is equal to the sum of the moments of inertia about two perpendicular axes within the plane of the object, intersecting at the point where the perpendicular axis passes through."

Mathematically, the theorem can be expressed as:

$$I_{\text{perpendicular}} = I_x + I_y$$

where:

$I_{\text{perpendicular}}$ is the moment of inertia about the perpendicular axis,
 I_x is the moment of inertia about the x -axis within the plane of the object,
 I_y is the moment of inertia about the y -axis within the plane of the object.

Proof of the theorem of perpendicular axes:

Let's consider a planar object in the xy -plane, and we want to find the moment of inertia of this object about an axis perpendicular to the plane.

We can divide the object into infinitesimally small elements, each having a mass dm .

The distance from each small mass element to the x -axis is denoted as x , and the distance to the y -axis is denoted as y .

The moment of inertia of each small mass element about the x -axis is given by $dm \cdot y^2$.

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To find the total moment of inertia about the perpendicular axis, we need to sum up the contributions from all the small mass elements that make up the object. This can be done by integrating the expressions over the entire object.

Integrating $dm \cdot y^2$ over the object gives the total moment of inertia about the x -axis, which we denote as I_x .

Integrating $dm \cdot x^2$ over the object gives the total moment of inertia about the y -axis, which we denote as I_y .

The integral of dm over the object represents the total mass of the object, denoted as m .

Therefore, we have $I_x = \int y^2 dm$ and $I_y = \int x^2 dm$.

The integral of $x^2 dm + y^2 dm$ over the object gives the total moment of inertia about the perpendicular axis, which we denote as $I_{\text{perpendicular}}$.

Using the fact that $x^2 + y^2$ represents the square of the distance from each small mass element to the perpendicular axis, we can rewrite the expression as $(x^2 + y^2) dm$.

The integral of $(x^2 + y^2) dm$ over the object represents the moment of inertia of the object about the perpendicular axis.

Thus, we have $I_{\text{perpendicular}} = \int (x^2 + y^2) dm = \int x^2 dm + \int y^2 dm = I_x + I_y$.

Hence, the theorem of perpendicular axes is proved.

15.

The theory of simple bending is a fundamental concept in structural mechanics that is used to analyze the behavior of beams under bending loads. The theory is based on a set of assumptions that simplify the analysis while still providing reasonably accurate results. The key assumptions made in the theory of simple bending are as follows:

The material of the beam is homogeneous and isotropic. This means that the material properties, such as elasticity and strength, are uniform in all directions and do not vary along the length or cross-section of the beam.

The beam is initially straight and remains straight after deformation: The theory assumes that the beam is initially straight and that bending does not cause significant deformations or changes in the overall shape of the beam.

Plane sections remain plane and perpendicular to the neutral axis: The theory assumes that before and after bending, the cross-sections of the beam remain planar and perpendicular to the neutral axis of the beam. This assumption implies that there is no significant warping or distortion of the cross-sections.

The modulus of elasticity (Young's modulus) is constant: The theory assumes that the modulus of elasticity of the material does not change during the bending process. In other words, the stress-strain relationship of the material remains linear within the operating range.

Stresses are within the elastic limit: The theory assumes that the stresses induced by bending are within the elastic limit of the material. This assumption implies that the beam does not experience permanent deformation or failure due to excessive stress.

The cross-section of the beam remains planar: The theory assumes that the cross-sections of the beam do not deform out of the original plane during bending. This assumption is valid for beams with slender proportions and small deformations.

It's important to note that these assumptions simplify the analysis of bending behavior, and in practice, real-life beams may deviate from some of these idealized conditions. However, for many engineering applications, the theory of simple bending provides a good approximation and is widely used in structural analysis and design.

18.

To derive the formula for the moment of inertia, let's consider a small mass element, dm , located at a distance r from a given axis of rotation. The moment of inertia of this small mass element about the axis is given by $dm \cdot r^2$.

To find the moment of inertia of an entire object, we need to consider the contributions from all the small mass elements that make up the object. This can be done by integrating the expression over the entire object.

Let's assume we have an object with mass m , and we want to find its moment of inertia about a specific axis of rotation. The object can be divided into infinitesimally small mass elements, each having a mass dm .

The moment of inertia of each small mass element about the axis is given by $dm \cdot r^2$, where r is the distance from the element to the axis of rotation.

To find the total moment of inertia of the object, we need to sum up the contributions from all the small mass elements. This can be done by integrating the expression $dm \cdot r^2$ over the entire object.

Integrating $dm \cdot r^2$ over the object gives the total moment of inertia, which we denote as I .

The integral of dm represents the total mass of the object, denoted as m .

Therefore, we have $I = \int r^2 dm$.

To evaluate the integral, we need to express dm in terms of a differential element related to the geometry of the object.

For example, if we have a one-dimensional object with a linear density function $p(x)$, where x is the coordinate along the axis of rotation, then $dm = p(x) dx$.

If the object is two-dimensional, we could have a surface density function $p(x, y)$, where x and y are coordinates in the plane of rotation, and $dm = p(x, y) dA$, where dA is a differential element of area.

If the object is three-dimensional, we could have a volume density function $p(x, y, z)$, where x , y , and z are coordinates in space, and $dm = p(x, y, z) dV$, where dV is a differential element of volume.

Substituting the expression for dm into the integral, we get $I = \int r^2 p(x) dx$ or $I = \int r^2 p(x, y) dA$ or $I = \int r^2 p(x, y, z) dV$, depending on the dimensionality of the object.

Finally, we can evaluate the integral to obtain the moment of inertia of the object about the given axis.

The specific form of the moment of inertia formula will depend on the geometry and mass distribution of the object being considered. For common shapes like cylinders, spheres, rectangles, etc., specific formulas for the moment of inertia can be derived using techniques such as integration or the parallel axis theorem. These formulas are often tabulated for easy reference in engineering and physics textbooks.

19.

To find the moment of inertia for I-section, T-section, and L-section, we need to consider their respective cross-sectional geometries. The moment of inertia depends on the distribution of the area and the distance of the elements from the centroid (or center of mass) of the section.

Moment of inertia for I-section:

An I-section consists of two flanges and a web in between, forming a shape resembling the letter "I". Let's assume the total height of the I-section is "h", the width of the flange is "b", the thickness of the flange is "tf", and the thickness of the web is "tw". The moment of inertia for the I-section about its centroidal axis (neutral axis) can be calculated as follows:

$$I_{I\text{-section}} = (1/12) \cdot b \cdot h^3 - 2 \cdot (1/12) \cdot (b - tf) \cdot (h - 2 \cdot tf)^3$$

Moment of inertia for T-section:

A T-section consists of a flange and a stem, forming a shape resembling the letter "T". Let's assume the total height of the T-section is "h", the width of the flange is "b", the thickness of the flange is "tf", and the thickness of the stem is "ts". The moment of inertia for the T-section about its centroidal axis can be calculated as follows:

$$I_{T\text{-section}} = (1/12) \cdot b \cdot h^3 - (1/12) \cdot (b - ts) \cdot (h - ts)^3$$

Moment of inertia for L-section:

An L-section consists of two perpendicular legs forming an "L" shape. Let's assume the width of one leg is "b", the height of the other leg is "h", and the thickness of both legs is "t". The moment of inertia for the L-section about its centroidal axis can be calculated as follows:

$$I_{L\text{-section}} = (1/12) \cdot b \cdot h^3 - 2 \cdot (1/12) \cdot (b - t) \cdot (h - t)^3$$

These formulas provide the moment of inertia for I-section, T-section, and L-section about their respective centroidal axes. The moment of inertia is a critical parameter in structural analysis and design, as it governs the section's resistance to bending and torsional loads.

20.

To derive the relation between maximum shear stress and average shear stress for rectangular and triangular sections, we'll consider the shearing of these sections under a transverse load.

Rectangular Section:

Let's consider a rectangular section with width (b) and height (h) subjected to a transverse load.

The shear force is uniformly distributed across the section.

The average shear stress (τ_{avg}) can be calculated by dividing the shear force (V) by the cross-sectional area (A):

$$\tau_{avg} = V / A$$

The maximum shear stress (τ_{max}) occurs at the neutral axis, which is located at the center of the section.

To determine τ_{max} , we can consider a vertical rectangular element at the top or bottom edge of the section. The shearing force acting on this element is the maximum and equal to V.

The maximum shear stress can be obtained by dividing this shearing force by the area of the rectangular element:
 $\tau_{max} = V / (b \cdot t)$

Here, t represents the thickness of the rectangular element.

The relationship between the maximum and average shear stress for a rectangular section is given by:
 $\tau_{max} = 1.5 \cdot \tau_{avg}$

Triangular Section:

Now, let's consider a triangular section with base (b) and height (h) subjected to a transverse load. Again, the shear force is uniformly distributed across the section.

The average shear stress (τ_{avg}) can be calculated by dividing the shear force (V) by the cross-sectional area (A):
 $\tau_{avg} = V / A$

The maximum shear stress (τ_{max}) occurs at the neutral axis, which is located at one-third the height from the base.

To determine τ_{max} , we can consider a vertical triangular element at the top or bottom edge of the section. The shearing force acting on this element is the maximum and equal to V.

The maximum shear stress can be obtained by dividing this shearing force by the area of the triangular element:
 $\tau_{max} = V / (0.5 \cdot b \cdot t)$

Here, t represents the thickness of the triangular element.

The relationship between the maximum and average shear stress for a triangular section is given by:
 $\tau_{max} = 3 \cdot \tau_{avg}$

These relationships provide a useful way to estimate the maximum shear stress based on the average shear stress for rectangular and triangular sections subjected to transverse loads.