

Find the rotation  
 $\theta$  (in deg) at  
 $x = L/2$

### Data

$$L = 400 (1 + A/10) \text{ mm}$$

$$EA = 7.2 \cdot 10^4 \text{ N}$$

$$EJ = 1.25 \cdot 10^8 (1 + C/10) \text{ N mm}^2$$

$$K = 60 \text{ N/mm}$$

$$P = 5000 \text{ N}$$

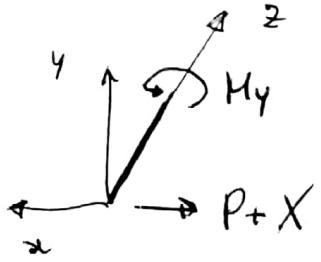
Solution ( $A = C = 0$ )

Evaluate the reaction force in correspondence of the spring

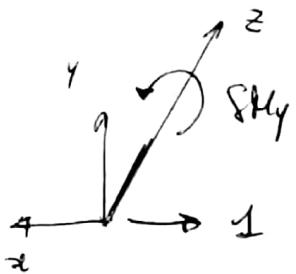


Real

Dummy



Rest



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$$M_y = -(P+X)z$$

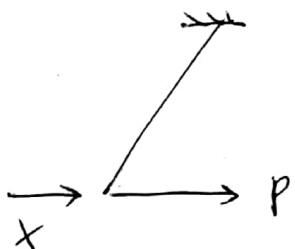
$$\delta M_y = -z$$

$$\int_0^L \frac{M_y \delta M_y}{EI} dz + \frac{X}{K} = 0$$

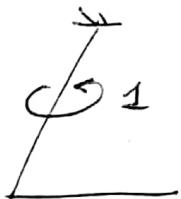
From which:

$$X = - \frac{P}{\left(1 + \frac{3EI}{KL^3}\right)}$$

Evaluate now the rotation



Rest



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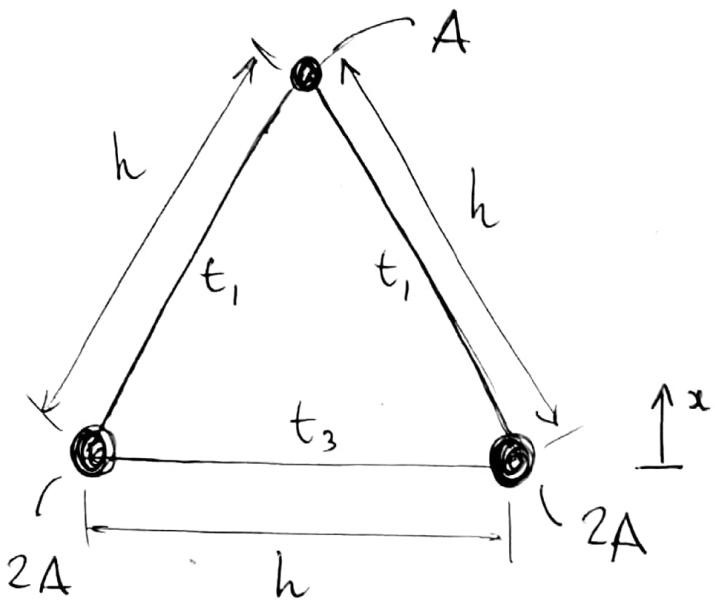
As before

$$\delta M_y = -1 \quad z > L/2$$

$$\int_{L/2}^L \frac{M_y \delta M_y}{EJ} dz = \theta$$

From which

$$\theta = \frac{3L^2(P+X)}{8EJ} = 12.23^\circ$$



Find the vertical position of the shear center (measured from  $x=0$ ).

Dots

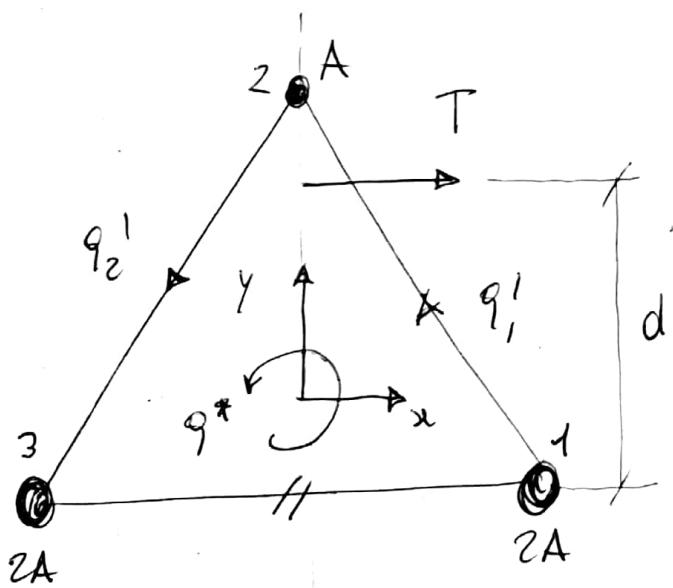
$$A = 500 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$h = 150 \text{ mm}$$

$$t_1 = 1 \cdot (1 + F/10)$$

$$t_3 = 2 \cdot (1 + A/10)$$

Solution ( $A=F=0$ )



Apply  $T$  at an arbitrary distance  $d$  from the reference position  
 $(T = 1000 \text{ N})$

$$J_{yy} = 2A \left( \frac{h}{2} \right)^2 2 = Ah^2$$

$$S_{y_1}' = 2A \frac{h}{2} = Ah$$

$$S_{y_2}' = Ah$$

Applying the shear flow equation two times:

$$q_1' = -T \frac{S_{y_1}'}{J_{yy}} = -T/h = -6.67 \text{ N/mm}$$

$$q_2' = -T \frac{S_{y_2}'}{J_{yy}} = -T/h = -6.67 \text{ N/mm}$$

Equivalence wrt 1

$$2q_* \Omega + 2q_2' \Omega = -Td$$

Impose  $\Theta' = 0$

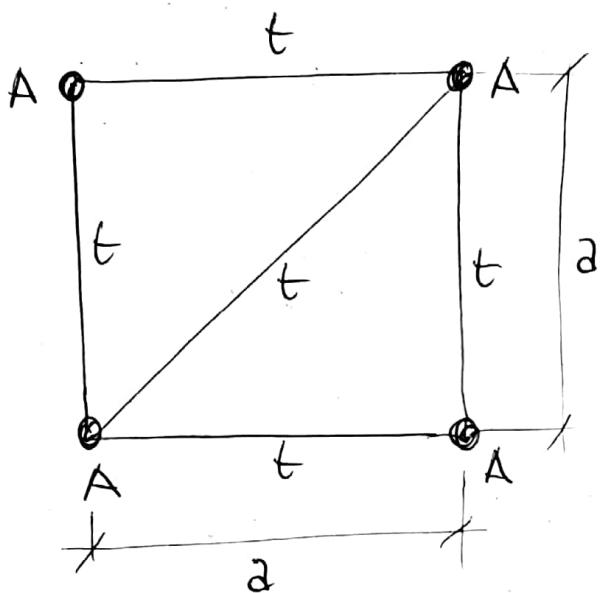
$$\Theta' = \frac{1}{2G\Omega} \sum_i \frac{q_i l_i}{t_i} = 0$$

$$\frac{q_1 h}{t_1} + \frac{q_2 h}{t_1} + \frac{q_3 h}{t_3} = 0$$

$$(q_1' + q^*) + (q_2' + q^*) + \frac{t_1}{t_3} q^* = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow q^* = \frac{2T}{h} \frac{1}{2 + t_1/t_3} = 5.33 \text{ N/mm}$$

$$d = -\frac{2\Omega (q_* + q_2')}{T} = 25.98 \text{ mm}$$



Find the torsional stiffness of the section  $GJ/GJ_{ref}$

### Data

$$A = 600 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$2 = 400 (1 + B/10) \text{ mm}$$

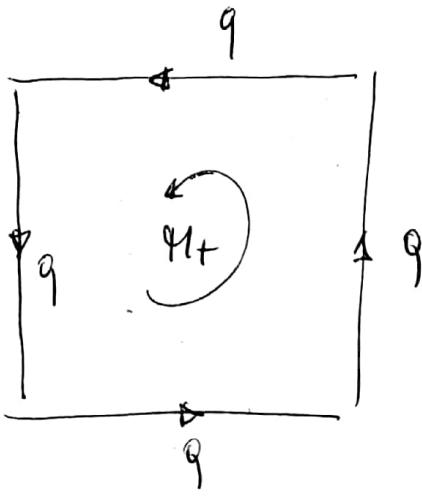
$$t = 1 (1 + A/10) \text{ mm}$$

$$G = 2.7 \cdot 10^4 \text{ MPa}$$

$$GJ_{ref} = 1 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ Nmm}^2$$

### Solution ( $A = B = 0$ )

From the symmetries of the section it is immediate to note that the position of the shear center is in the middle of the section. Therefore the shear flow along the oblique panel does not provide any torsional resistance. Therefore, owing to the symmetry of the section, the flows on the four remaining panels is equal.



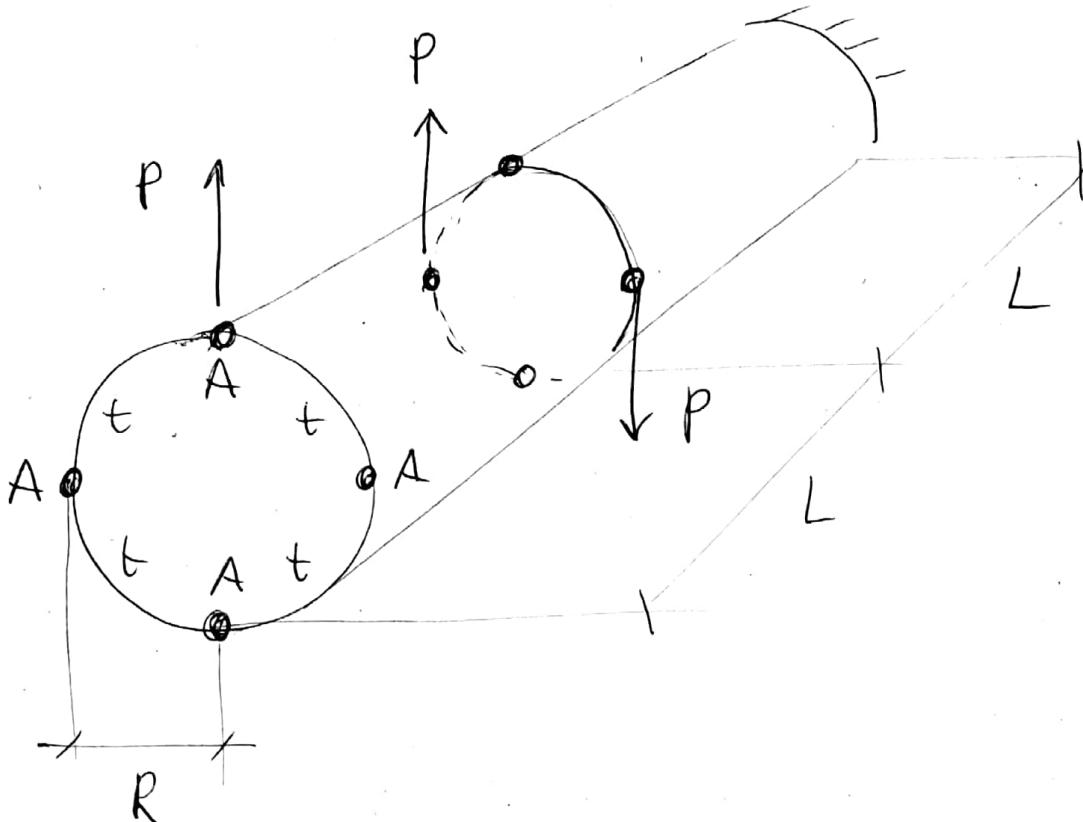
$$M_t = 2R_c q \quad \text{with } R_c = a^2$$

$$q = \frac{M_t}{2a^2}$$

From which

$$GJ = G a^3 t \quad \text{and so:}$$

$$\frac{GJ}{GJ_{ref}} = \frac{6a^3 t}{GJ_{ref}} = 172.80$$



Evaluate the rotation  $\theta$  (in deg) at the free end.

$\Delta \text{eff}$

$$A = 500 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$G = 27000 \text{ MPa}$$

$$R = 80 \text{ mm}$$

$$P = 7500 \text{ N}$$

$$t = 1.2 (1 + A/10) \text{ mm}$$

$$L = 2500 (1 + F/10) \text{ mm}$$

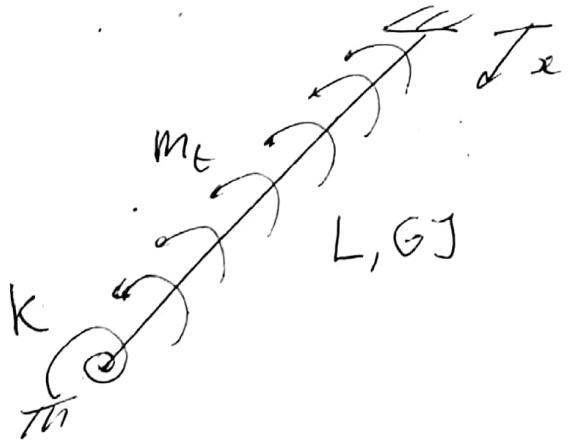
Solution ( $A=F=0$ )

From Bredt's formula:  $GJ = G 2\pi R^3 t$

and so:

$$\theta' = \frac{M}{G 2\pi R^3 t} = \frac{2PR}{G 2\pi R^3 t} = \frac{P}{G\pi R^2 t} \Rightarrow \theta'L = \theta$$

$$\theta = 1.65^\circ$$



Use the Ritz method  
and a 1-dof polynomial  
approximation to  
determine the  
torsional moment

$$M_t / M_{t \text{ ref}} \text{ at } \varphi = L/2$$

### Data

$$L = 3700 \text{ mm}$$

$$GJ = 2.2 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Nmm}^2$$

$$k = 1 \cdot 10^4 (1 + D/10) \text{ Nmm}$$

$$m_t = 520 (1 + A/10) \text{ N}$$

$$M_{t \text{ ref}} = 3 \cdot 10^4 \text{ Nmm}$$

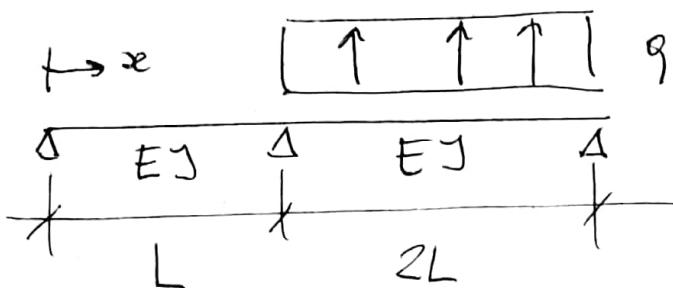
### Solution ( $A = D = 0$ )

$$\theta = \varphi q_1 ; \quad \theta' = q_1$$

$$\int_0^L \delta \theta' GJ \theta' dx + \delta \theta(L) k \theta(L) = \int_0^L \delta \theta m_t dx$$

$$\delta q_1 (GJL + kL^2) q_1 = \delta q_1 \frac{L^2}{2} m_t \quad \text{so:}$$

$$M_t = GJ \theta' = GJ q_1 = GJ \frac{L^2 m_t}{2(GJL + kL^2)} ; \quad \frac{M_t}{M_{t \text{ ref}}} = 1.8$$



Use the Ritz method and a 1-dof Trifunctional approximation to determine the

vertical displacement at  $x = L/2$

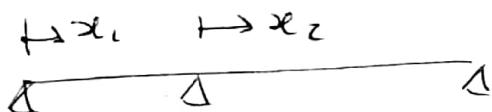
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$$L = 300 (1 + B/10) \text{ mm}$$

$$EJ = 1.25 \cdot 10^8 \text{ N mm}^2$$

$$q = 0.2 \text{ N/mm}$$

### Solution (B=0)



$$w_1 = \sin \frac{\pi x_1}{L} q_1$$

$$w_2 = \sin \frac{\pi x_2}{2L} q_2$$

$$w_1(L) = w_2(0) \rightarrow \text{identically satisfied}$$

$$w_{1/x}(L) = w_{2/x}(0) \rightarrow \text{to be imposed, so:}$$

$$w_1 = \sin \frac{\pi x_1}{L} q_1$$

$$w_2 = -2 \sin \frac{\pi x_2}{2L} q_1$$

$$\int_0^L \delta w_{1xx} EI w_{1xx} dx_1 + \int_0^{2L} \delta w_{2xx} EI w_{2xx} dx_2 = \\ = \int_0^{2L} \delta w_2 q dx_2 , \text{ from which:}$$

$$q_1 = - \frac{8L}{\pi} q \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\pi}{L}\right)^4 EI \frac{3}{4} L}$$

The displacement in  $x = L/2$  is

$$w_1(L/2) = \sin \frac{\pi}{2} q_1 = q_1 = -0.452 \text{ mm}$$

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