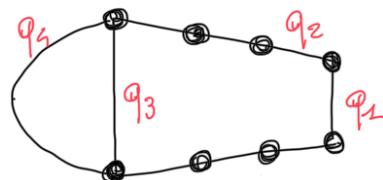
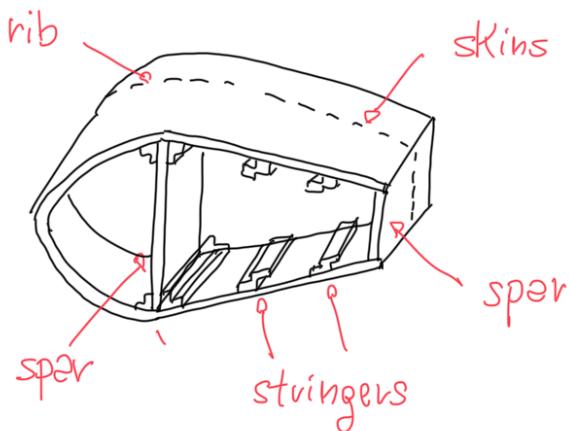
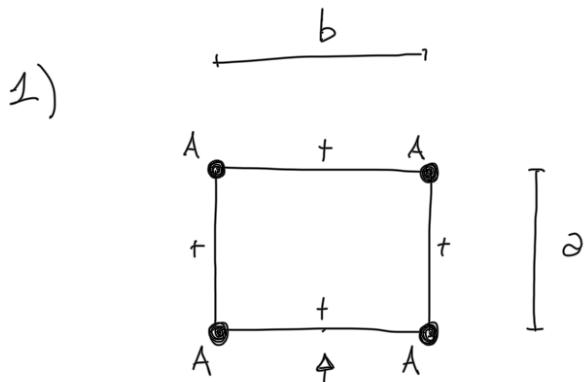


LAB 7 - Semi - Monocoque Approximation



Semi - Monocoque Assumptions:

- panel thickness t is small $\rightarrow \tau$ is constant through the thickness
- panels carry shear loads only \rightarrow shear flux is constant between any couple of directly connected stringers
- Area of panels is concentrated in the stringers
- stringers must have an area which is smaller than the dimension of the section.
- Ribs (if present) have infinitely high stiffness in-plane



Let's find the shear fluxes

T_y this force is applied to the section

$$\overbrace{b/2}$$

- CENTROID

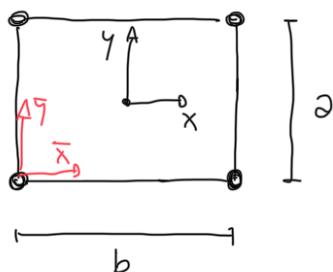
centroid = geometrical center

$$r_c = \frac{\int_A r \, dA}{\int_A dA}$$

center of gravity = mass center

$$r_{CG} = \frac{\int_V \rho(r) \, dv}{\int_V dv}$$

if the density is uniform \rightarrow centroid = center of gravity



$$\bar{x}_c = \frac{\sum_i A_i \bar{x}_i}{\sum_i A_i} \stackrel{\text{# Areas}}{=} \frac{2Ab + 2A \cdot \phi}{GA} = \frac{b}{2}$$

$$\bar{y}_c = \frac{\sum_i A_i \cdot \bar{y}_i}{\sum_i A_i} \stackrel{\text{# Areas}}{=} \frac{2A\alpha + 2\alpha \cdot \phi}{GA} = \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

- Static Moments

$$S_x = \int_A y \, dA \rightarrow S_x = \sum_i A_i \cdot y_i \stackrel{\text{# Areas}}{=}$$

$$S_y = \int_A x \, dA \rightarrow S_y = \sum_i A_i \cdot x_i$$

- Inertias wrt Centroid

$$J_{xx} = \int_A y^2 \, dA \rightarrow J_{xx} = \sum_i A_i \cdot y_i^2 = 2A \cdot \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)^2 + 2A \cdot \left(-\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)^2 = A\alpha^2$$

$$J_{yy} = \int_A x^2 \, dA \rightarrow J_{yy} = \sum_i A_i \cdot x_i^2 = Ab^2$$

$$J_{xy} = \int_A x \cdot y \, dA \rightarrow J_{xy} = \sum_i A_i \cdot x_i \cdot y_i = \phi \rightarrow x \text{ and } y \text{ are}$$

PRINCIPAL INERTIAL AXIS

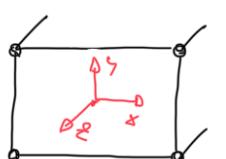
If $J_{xy} \neq 0$, M_x and M_y are coupled:

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_x \\ M_y \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} EJ_{xx} - EJ_{xy} \\ -EJ_{xy} J_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_x \\ \kappa_y \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{curvatures}$$

then we must rotate x and y of an angle α :

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{atan} \left(\frac{2 J_{xy}}{J_{yy} - J_{xx}} \right)$$

- Axial stress in the stringer

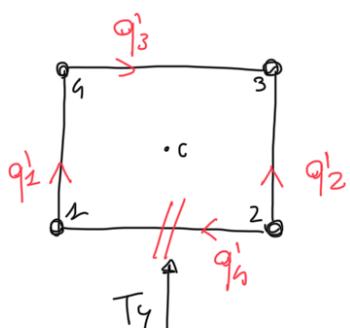


$$\sigma_{zzi} = \frac{T_z}{\sum_i A_i} + \frac{M_x \cdot y_i}{J_{xx}} - \frac{M_y \cdot x_i}{J_{yy}}$$

Stringers

- SHEAR FLUXES IN THE PANEL

- Open cell Fluxes



Assumption: An open-section beam have a negligible torsional stiffness

→ we are isolating the shear fluxes given by the shear forces applied to the section

Let's define a conventional sign for the shear flux in each panel **ARBITRARY!**

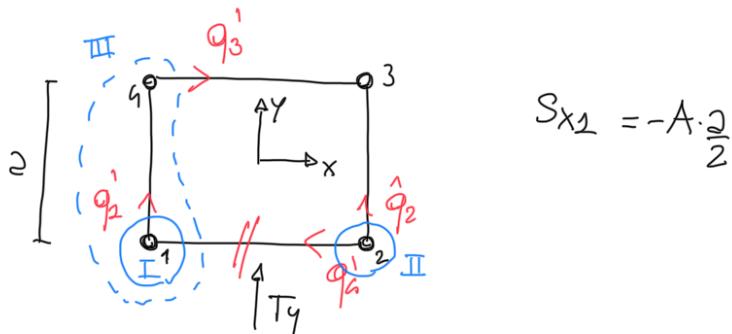
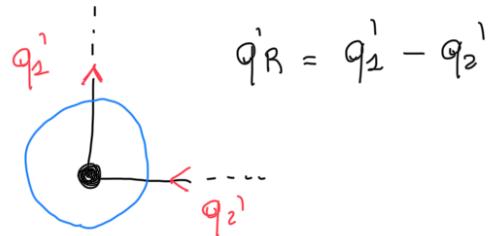
Then, for each region R of our section:

$$-1 - \tau_{\text{c}, \dots} + \tau_{\text{c}, \dots} - i = \# \text{ Areas included } R$$

$$q'_R = -1y \frac{\leftarrow_{\text{outward}}}{J_{xx}} - 1x \frac{\leftarrow_{\text{outward}}}{J_{yy}} \rightarrow \cdot \cdot \cdot$$

total shear flux passing through the boundary of R:

- OUTWARD \rightarrow POSITIVE
- INWARD \rightarrow Negative



$$\text{I}) \quad q_1' - q_2' = -T_y \cdot \frac{S_{xz}}{J_{xx}} = -T_y \cdot \frac{-\frac{1}{2}A_2}{A_2^2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{T_y}{2}$$

$$\text{II}) \quad q_2' = -T_y \cdot \frac{S_{xz}}{J_{xx}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{T_y}{2}$$

$$\text{III}) \quad q_3' = -T_y \cdot \frac{(S_{xz} + S_{x4})}{J_{xx}} = -T_y \cdot \frac{-\frac{1}{2}A_2 + \frac{1}{2}A_2}{A_2^2} = \emptyset$$

• Moment Equivalence

these shear fluxes are EQUIVALENT to T_y

Torsional moment given by the shear fluxes

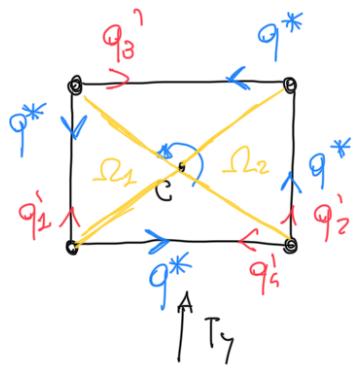
thus, from T_y

$$M_z = \sum_i q_i \cdot 2\Omega_i \quad \text{wrt an arbitrary point, e.g. centroid}$$

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Panels

Ω_i is the area formed by the chosen point and the panel





Let's define q^* as the shear flux given by the torsional moment, such that for each panel i :

$$q_i = \underbrace{q_i^1}_{\text{SHEAR FORCES}} + \underbrace{q^*}_{\text{TORSIONAL MOMENT}}$$

Moment of External Forces = Moment of the shear fluxes w.r.t Centroid

$$T_y \cdot \phi = \sum_{\substack{i \\ \# \text{Panels}}} (q_i^1 + q^*) \cdot 2\Omega_i$$

$$\phi = +q^* \cdot 2\Omega_{\text{CBL}} - q_1^1 \cdot 2\Omega_1 + q_2^1 \cdot 2\Omega_2$$

$$\phi = q^* \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot b - \frac{T_y}{2} \cdot 2 \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{b}{2} + \frac{T_y}{2} \cdot 2 \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{b}{2}$$

$$q^* \cdot 2ab = \phi \quad q^* = \phi$$

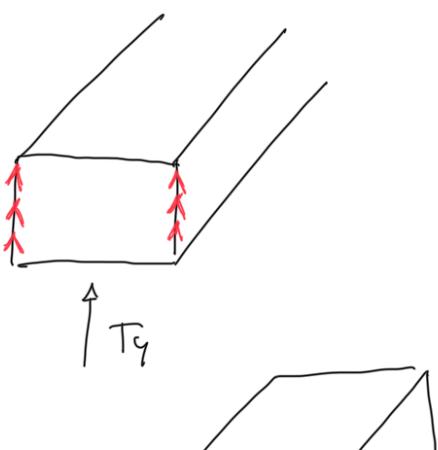
- Compute Total Fluxes

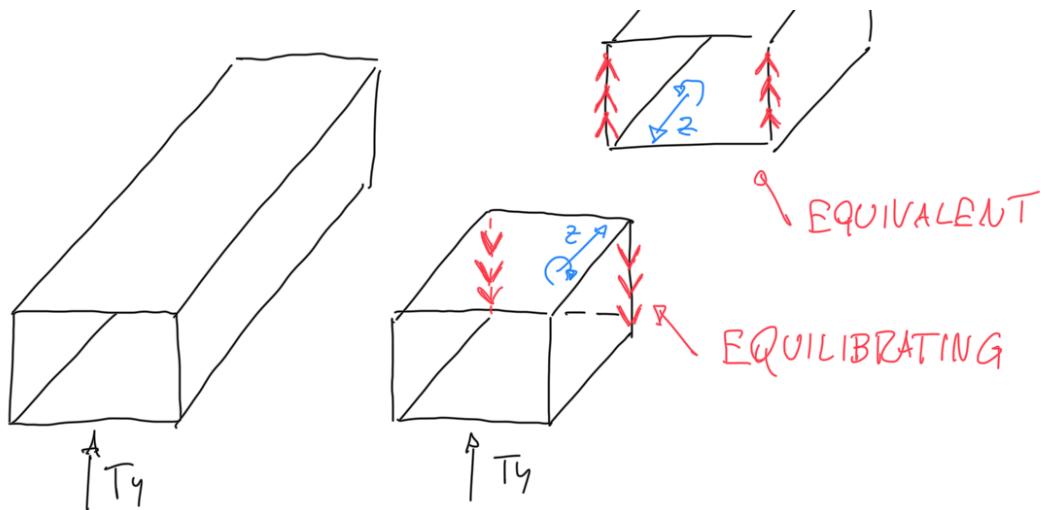
$$q_1 = q_1^1 - q^* = \frac{T_y}{20}$$

$$q_2 = q_2^1 + q^* = \frac{T_y}{20}$$

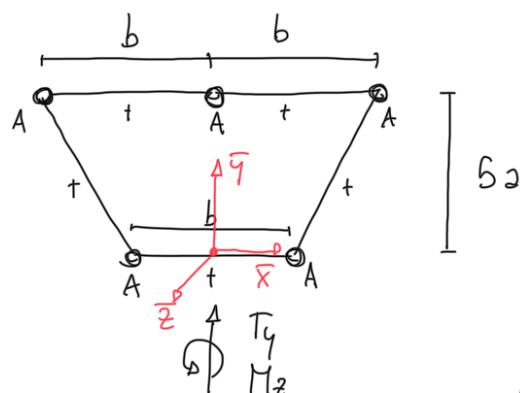
$$q_3 = q_3^1 - q^* = \phi$$

$$q_4 = q_4^1 - q^* = \phi$$





2)



DATA

$$A = 250 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$z = 50 \text{ mm}$$

$$b = 600 \text{ mm}$$

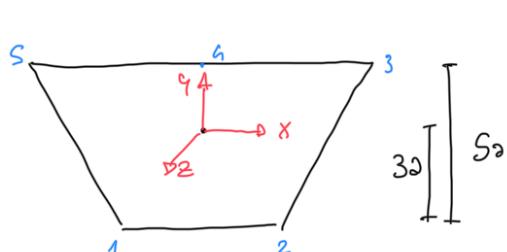
$$T_y = 3000 \text{ N}$$

$$M_z = 450,000 \text{ Nmm}$$

Let's find the shear fluxes

- Centroid and Inertias

$$\bar{x}_c = \frac{\sum_i A_i \bar{x}_i}{\sum_i A_i} = \phi \quad \bar{y}_c = \frac{3A \cdot 5a}{SA} = 3a$$

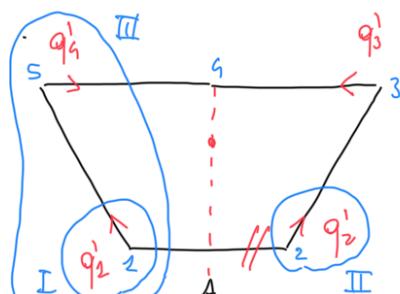


$$J_{xx} = \sum_i A_i y_i^2 = 3A \cdot (2a)^2 + 2A \cdot (3a)^2 = 30Aa^2$$

$$S_{x1} = S_{x2} = A \cdot (-3a) = -3Aa$$

$$S_{x3} = S_{x4} = S_{xs} = A \cdot (2a) = 2Aa$$

- Open Cell Fluxes



$$\text{I}) \quad q_1^1 = -T_y \cdot \frac{S_{x1}}{J_{xx}} = \frac{T_y}{10a}$$

$$\text{II}) \quad q_2^1 = -T_y \cdot \frac{S_{x2}}{J_{xx}} = \frac{T_y}{10a}$$

$$\text{III}) \quad q_3^1 = -T_y \cdot \frac{2Aa - 3Aa}{J_{xx}} = T_y$$

$\text{---} \quad | \quad T_y$

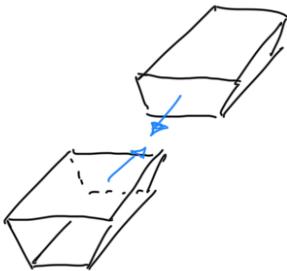
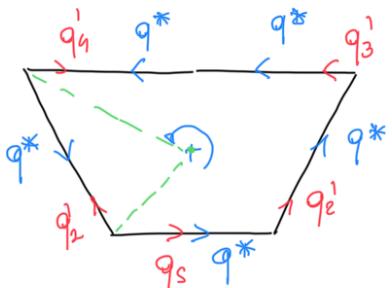
$\rightarrow \quad l^n \quad l \quad J_{xx} \quad 302$

$$q_3^1 = q_5^1 \quad \text{for symmetry}$$

- Moment Equivalence (wrt Centroid)

Moment of external forces = Moment of shear fluxes

$$M_z + T_y \cancel{\cdot} \cancel{x} = q^* \cdot 2\Omega_{\text{ext}} - q_2^1 \cdot 2\Omega_1 + q_2^1 \cdot 2\Omega_2 + q_3^1 \cdot 2\Omega_3 - q_5^1 \cdot 2\Omega_4$$



$$\Omega_{\text{ext}} = \left(\frac{1}{2} b \cdot 50 \right) \cdot 3 = \frac{150}{2} b$$

$$q^* = \frac{M_z}{2\Omega_{\text{ext}}} = 1 \text{ N/mm}$$

$$q_2 = q_2^1 - q^* = 5 \text{ N/mm} \quad q_s = q_s^1 + q^* = 1 \text{ N/mm}$$

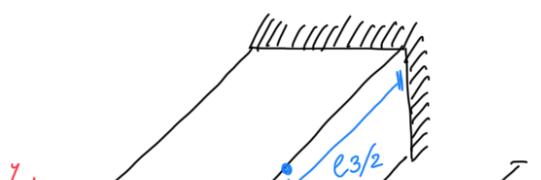
$$q_2 = q_2^1 + q^* = 7 \text{ N/mm}$$

$$q_3 = q_3^1 + q^* = 3 \text{ N/mm}$$

$$q_5 = q_5^1 - q^* = 1 \text{ N/mm}$$

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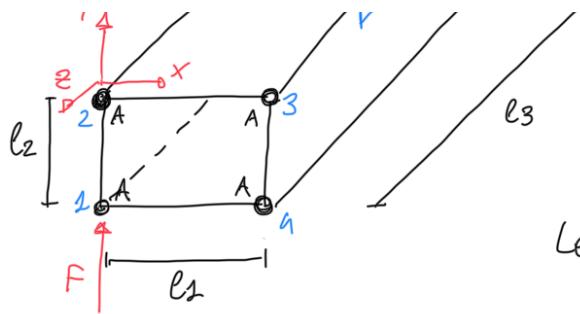


DATA

$$l_1 = 600 \text{ mm}$$

$$l_2 = 250 \text{ mm}$$

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$$l_3 = 2000 \text{ mm}$$

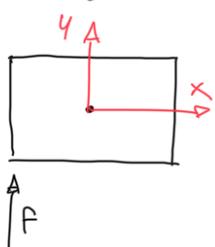
$$A = 800 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$F = 8000 \text{ N}$$

Let's find $\sigma_{zz_A}(z)$

$$\sigma_{zz_A}(z) = \frac{T_z(z)}{\sum_i A_i} + \frac{M_x(z)}{J_{xx}} \cdot y_i - \frac{M_y(z)}{J_{yy}} \cdot x_i$$

- Centroid



$$x_c = l_1/2$$

$$y_c = l_2/2$$

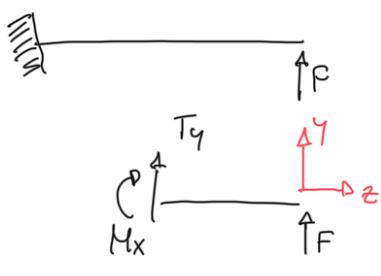
$$J_{xx} = 4A \cdot \left(\frac{l_2}{2}\right)^2 = Al_2^2$$

$$J_{yy} = 4A \cdot \left(\frac{l_1}{2}\right)^2 = Al_1^2$$

- Internal Action

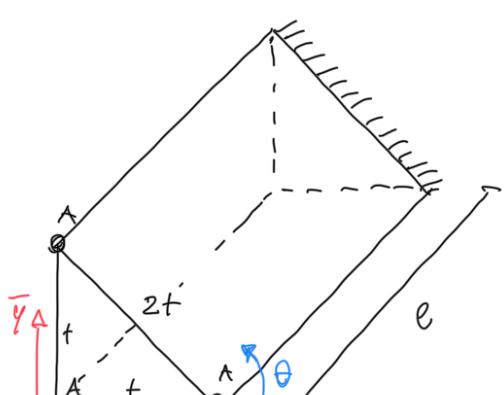
$$T_y = -F$$

$$M_x = F \cdot (-z) = -Fz$$



$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{zz_A}\left(\frac{l_3}{2}\right) &= \frac{M_x\left(\frac{l_3}{2}\right)}{J_{xx}} \cdot y_i = \\ &= -\frac{F \cdot \frac{l_3}{2}}{Al_2^2} \left(-\frac{l_2}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4} \frac{Fl_3}{Al_2} = 32 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

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DATA

$$l = 500 \text{ mm}$$

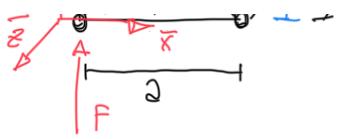
$$A = 600 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$t = 1 \text{ mm}$$

$$E = 70 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu = 0.3$$

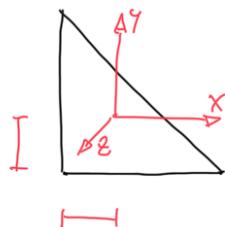
$$F = 10 \text{ kN}$$



Let's find θ , the rotation of the free extremity

- Centroid

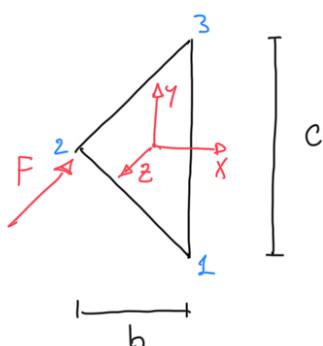
$$\bar{x}_c = -\frac{A_2}{3A} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \bar{y}_c = \frac{A_2}{3a} = \frac{2}{3}$$



- Inertias

$$J_{xy} = \sum_i A_i \cdot x_i \cdot y_i = A \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + A \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + A \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{A \cdot 2^2}{3}$$

We must rotate the section



$$b = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot 2 \quad c = 2b = \sqrt{2} \cdot 2$$

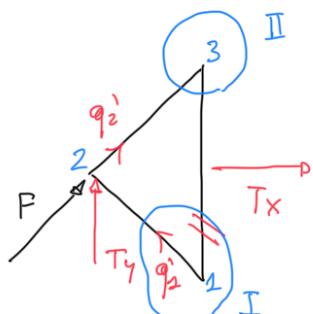
$$J_{xy} = A \left(\frac{2}{3}b \right) \cdot \phi + A \left(-\frac{b}{3} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) + A \left(-\frac{b}{3} \right) \left(-\frac{c}{2} \right) = \phi$$

$$J_{xx} = 2A \left(\frac{c}{2} \right)^2 = 2Ab^2$$

$$J_{yy} = 2A \left(\frac{b}{3} \right)^2 + A \left(\frac{2}{3}b \right)^2 = \frac{2}{3}Ab^2$$

$$S_{x1} = -S_{x3} = -A \cdot \frac{c}{2} = -Ab \quad S_{xz} = \phi$$

$$S_{y1} = S_{y3} = +\frac{Ab}{3} \quad S_{yz} = -\frac{2}{3}Ab$$



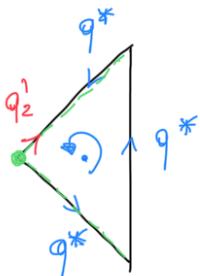
$$T_y = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} F \quad T_x = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} F$$

• Open Cell Flaxes

$$\text{I) } q_2^1 = -T_y \cdot \frac{S_{x1}}{J_{xx}} - T_x \cdot \frac{S_{y1}}{J_{yy}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} F \frac{Ab}{2Ab^2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} F \frac{Ab}{2Ab^2} = \phi$$

$$\text{II) } +q_2' = f T_y \frac{\partial x_3}{\partial x} + T_x \frac{\partial y_3}{\partial y} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} F \frac{\cancel{A} \cancel{L}}{2 \cancel{A} \cancel{b}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} F \cdot \frac{\cancel{A} \cancel{b}}{\cancel{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{2 \cancel{A} \cancel{b}^2} = \\ = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} F \left(\frac{1}{2b} + \frac{1}{2b} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{F}{b}$$

- Moment Equivalence wrt ②



$$\phi = q^* \cdot 2 \Omega_{\text{core}} \quad q^* = \phi$$

$$q_2 = q_2' - q^* = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{F}{b}$$

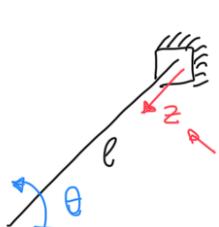
- Angle Computation

$$\theta' = \frac{d\theta}{dz} = \frac{1}{2 \Omega_{\text{core}} \cdot G} \cdot \sum_i q_i \frac{l_i}{t_i} = \quad G = \frac{E}{2(L+\nu)} \\ \# \text{ panels} \quad \text{length} \quad \text{thickness}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{2^2} \cdot \frac{2(L+\nu)}{E} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2} F}{2b} \cdot \frac{\cancel{2}}{t} = \quad \Omega_{\text{core}} = \frac{1}{2} \omega^2$$

$$= \frac{2(L+\nu)}{E \omega t} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} F \cdot \frac{\cancel{2}}{\sqrt{2} \omega} =$$

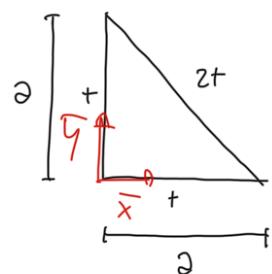
$$= \frac{2(L+\nu)}{E \omega^2 t} \cdot F = 1.49 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{mm}}$$



$$\theta(\ell) - \theta(\phi) = \int_0^\ell \theta' dz \quad \theta(\phi) = \phi \quad \text{CLAMP}$$

$$\theta(\ell) = \theta' \cdot \ell = 5.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ rad}$$

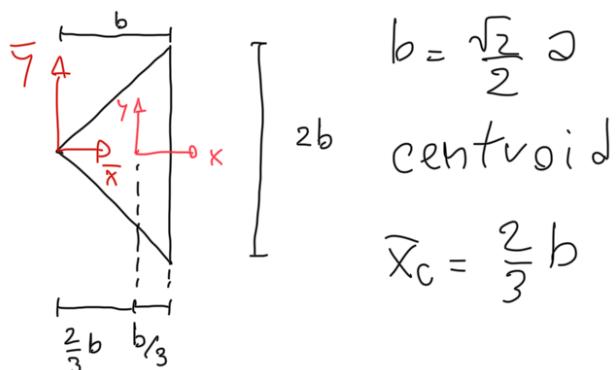
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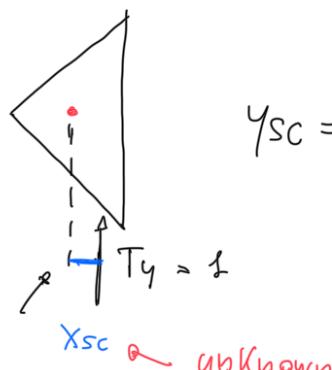
DATA

$$\begin{aligned} d &= 1000 \text{ mm} \\ A &= 4000 \text{ mm}^2 \\ E &= 10^5 \text{ MPa} \\ v &= 0.3 \end{aligned}$$

Let's find the shear center



$$\begin{aligned} b &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} d \\ \text{centroid} & \\ \bar{x}_c &= \frac{2}{3} b \quad \bar{y}_c = \phi \end{aligned}$$



$$y_{sc} = \phi \text{ for symmetry}$$

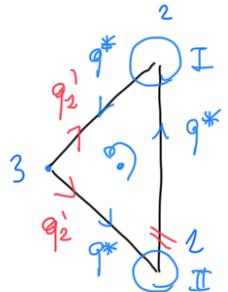
• Inertias

$$\begin{aligned} J_{xx} &= 2Ab^2 \\ S_{x2} &= -Ab \quad S_{x3} = Ab \quad S_{x4} = \phi \end{aligned}$$

We have to find x_{sc} . Let's define a shear force $T_y = 1$ passing for the shear center.

The rotation of the section due to T_y must be ϕ

- Open Cell Fluxes



$$q_2^1 = T_g \frac{S_{x2}}{J_{xx}} = \frac{Ab}{2Ab^2} = \frac{1}{2b}$$

$$q_2^1 = T_g \frac{S_{x1}}{J_{xx}} = -\frac{Ab}{2Ab^2} = -\frac{1}{2b}$$

- Moment Equivalence wrt \odot

$$T_g \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}b + x_{sc} \right) = 2 \Omega_{cell} \cdot q^*$$

$$q^* = \frac{\frac{2}{3}b + x_{sc}}{2b^2} *$$

- Rotation Angle

$$\theta' = \frac{d\theta}{dz} = \frac{1}{2\Omega_{cell} \cdot G} \cdot \left(\frac{q^* \cdot 2\alpha}{\tau} + \frac{q^* \cdot 2b}{2\tau} - \frac{q_2^1 \cdot \alpha}{\tau} + \frac{q_2^1 \cdot \alpha}{\tau} \right)$$

We impose $\theta' = \phi \rightarrow q^* = \frac{\phi}{b(2\alpha+b)} **$

$$* + ** \quad \frac{\frac{2}{3}b + x_{sc}}{2b^2} = \frac{\phi}{b(2\alpha+b)}$$

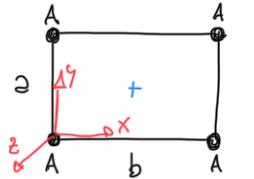
$$x_{sc} = \frac{\frac{2\alpha b^2}{b(2\alpha+b)} - \frac{2}{3}b}{\cancel{b(2\alpha+b)}} = \cancel{b} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \alpha$$

$$= \frac{\frac{2\alpha \cdot \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2}{\cancel{2\alpha}(2\alpha+\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\alpha)} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\alpha}{\alpha^2(\sqrt{2}+\frac{1}{2})} =$$

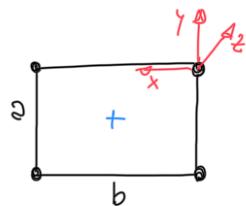
$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \right) \alpha = 51.00 \text{ mm}$$

NOTES ON THE COORDINATE SYSTEMS

• Centroid



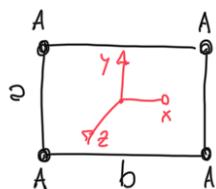
$$x = \frac{2Ab}{4A} = 2b \quad y = \frac{2A\omega}{4A} = 2\omega$$



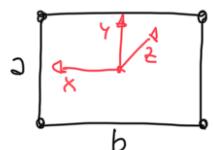
$$x = -\frac{2Ab}{4A} = -2b \quad y = -\frac{2A\omega}{4A} = -2\omega$$

The position of the centroid does NOT depend on the coordinate system. It is a section property

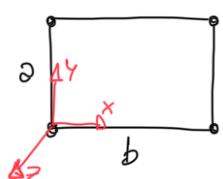
• Inertia



$$J_{xx} = 2A \cdot \left(-\frac{\omega}{2}\right)^2 + 2A \cdot \left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right)^2 = A\omega^2$$



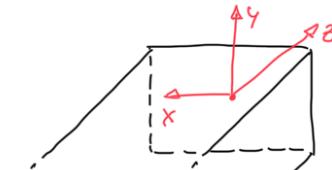
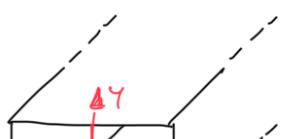
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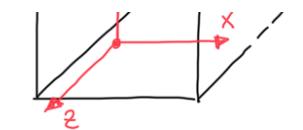


$$J_{xx} = 2A \cdot \left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{A\omega^2}{2}$$

Inertia depends on the position of the reference axes, but does NOT depend on its direction.

For static moments and fluxes, we must select a surface, defined by its normal vector, and keep it!



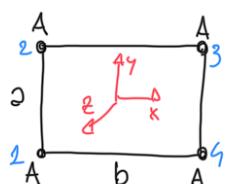


OUTWARD SYSTEM



INWARD SYSTEM

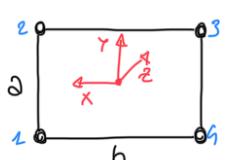
• Static Moments



OUTWARD

$$S_{xL} = A \cdot \left(-\frac{a}{2}\right) = -\frac{Aa}{2}$$

$$S_{yL} = A \cdot \left(-\frac{b}{2}\right) = -\frac{Ab}{2}$$



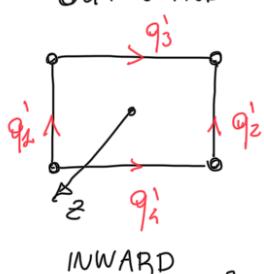
INWARD

$$S_{xL} = A \left(\frac{a}{2}\right) = \frac{Aa}{2}$$

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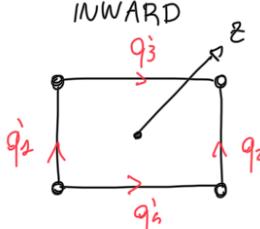
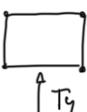
• Open Cell Fluxes

OUTWARD

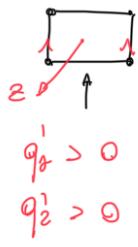


The fluxes orientation is ARBITRARY and does not depend on \vec{z} , but we must keep the same normal

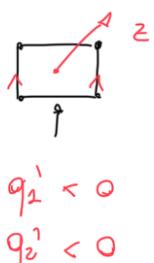
e.g.



OUTWARD



INWARD



$$q_3' > 0$$

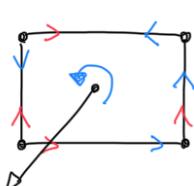
$$q_2' > 0$$

$$q_1' < 0$$

$$q_2' < 0$$

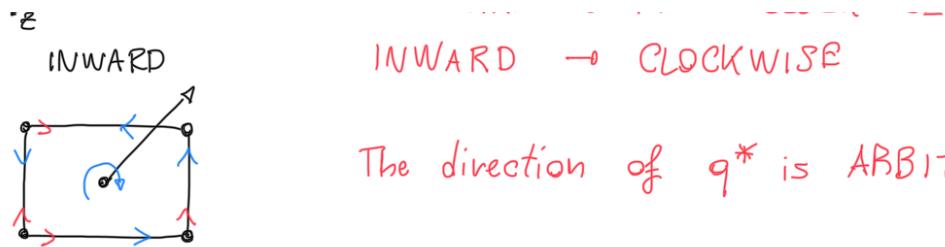
• Closed Cell Fluxes

OUTWARD



The positive rotation is given by the normal axis z

OUTWARD \rightarrow ANTI - CLOCKWISE



- Angle

The sign of θ' depends on the normal axis z

Concluding, the GOOD PRACTICE is to choose a surface and always keep it.