

# Evaluation problem

Figure 1 illustrates a schematic representation of the left-wing main landing gear an instant before touchdown, when the aircraft velocity is  $V = 285 \text{ km/h}$ . The structure is made of a material with a Young Modulus  $E = 150 \text{ GPa}$ .

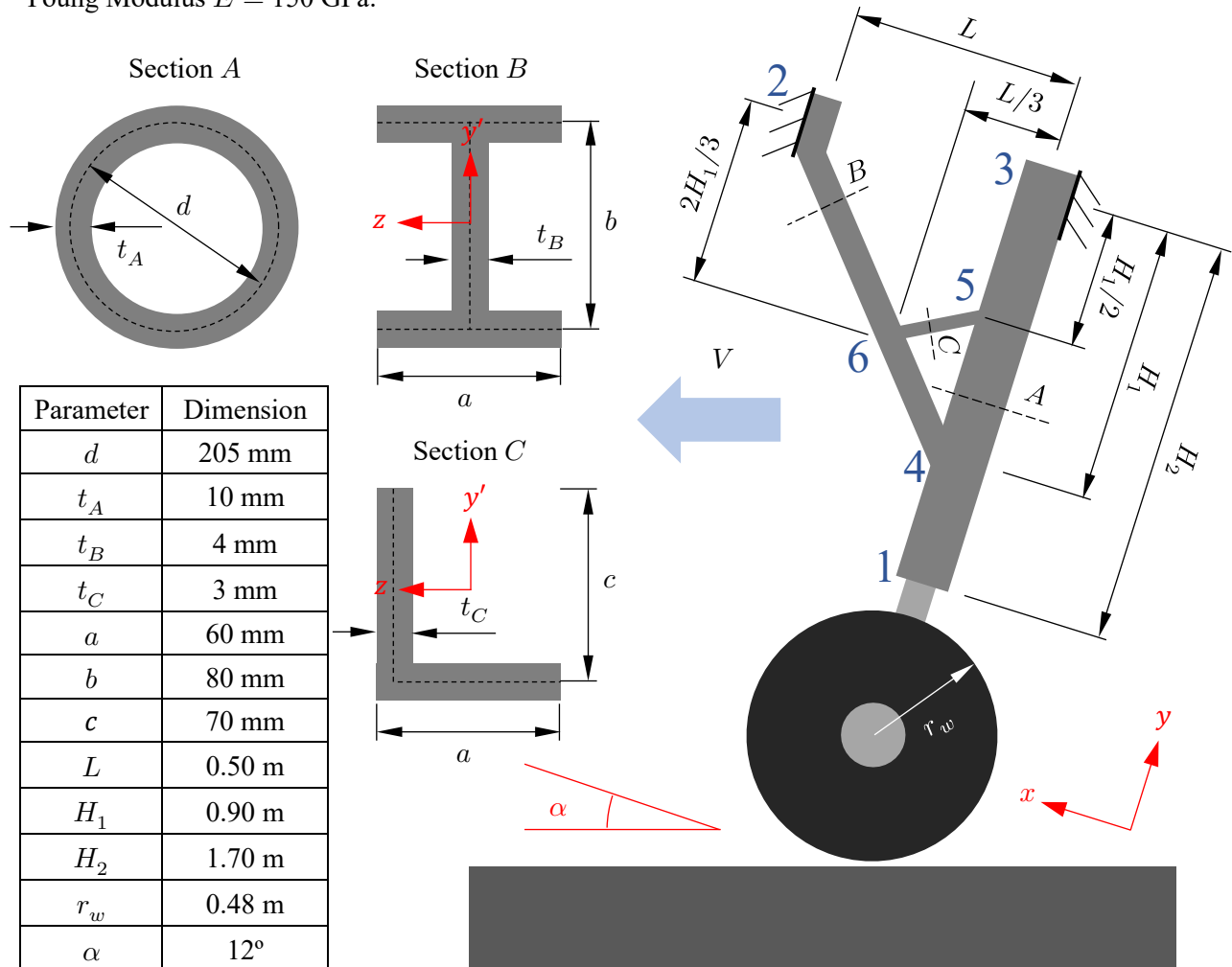


Figure 1. Schematic representation of the left-wing main landing gear and its cross-section areas. Consider the distance between point 1 and the runway is small enough to assume the loads are applied directly in point 1.

Questions:

1. Assuming a thin-walled sections B and C ( $t \ll a, b, c$ ) for 2-4 and 6-5 beams, respectively, compute the cross-section areas and inertias in the  $z$ -direction. Compute the normal and friction forces,  $N$  and  $F$ , assuming a wheel's mass moment of inertia of  $I_0 = 330 \text{ kg m}^2$  and that it takes  $t = 0.95 \text{ s}$  for it to reach its maximum spin velocity. Consider the friction coefficient between the tyre and the runway as  $\mu = 0.4$ .
2. Implement a MATLAB® code to numerically compute the displacement, rotation, shear force and bending moment distributions on the structure for the conditions in Figure 1.
3. In sections B and C, compute and sketch the shear stress ( $\tau$ ) and the normal stress ( $\sigma$ ) distributions in nodes 2, 4, 6, 5.
4. Obtain the position of the maximum normal and shear stresses in sections B and C.

The assignment can be done in groups of **maximum 2 people**. Only one of the members must submit a compressed (**.zip**) file to Atenea containing the following:

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- All MATLAB® script files used in the assignment. There must be an executable script file, which must be named 'MAIN'.
- A report including:
  - A brief description of the procedure used to solve the problem.
  - The answers to the questions
    - Requested results.
  - Figures:
    - Plot of the deformed structure. Use the provided '**plotBeam2D**' function.
    - Plots of the displacements, rotations, shear force and bending moments for the numerical solution. Use the provided '**plotBeamIntForces**' function.
    - Values of the axial force, shear force and bending moments at each node for the elements 2-6, 6-4 and 6-5.
    - Shear stress ( $\tau$ ) and the normal stress ( $\sigma$ ) distributions in nodes 2, 4, 6, 5

Note 1: The report can be written in Catalan, Spanish or English and both technical and presentation aspects will be considered in the grading.

Note 2: This work is half of the midterm exam.