

Q1

There are different approaches of doing this problem. I am showing just one way.

$$\varepsilon_{xx} = \frac{1}{E} \left[\sigma_{xx} - \nu (\sigma_{yy} + \sigma_{zz}) \right]$$

$$\varepsilon_{yy} = \frac{1}{E} \left[\sigma_{yy} - \nu (\sigma_{xx} + \sigma_{zz}) \right]$$

$$\varepsilon_{xy} = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{2G} = 0$$

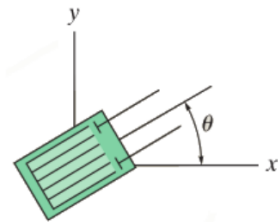
$$\varepsilon_{x'x'} = \varepsilon_{xx} \cos^2 \theta + \varepsilon_{yy} \sin^2 \theta + 2\varepsilon_{xy} \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{E} (\sigma_{xx} - \nu \sigma_{yy}) \cos^2 \theta + \frac{1}{E} (\sigma_{yy} - \nu \sigma_{xx}) \sin^2 \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{E} \sigma_{xx} (\cos^2 \theta - \nu \sin^2 \theta) + \frac{1}{E} \sigma_{yy} (\sin^2 \theta - \nu \cos^2 \theta)$$

Since $\varepsilon_{x'x'}$ is not dependent on σ_{xx} , we have $\cos^2 \theta - \nu \sin^2 \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \tan^2 \theta = \frac{1}{\nu}$
 $\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu}}$ (ive due to $\theta < 90^\circ$)

1. A point in a body under plane stress conditions has a state of stress given by non-zero σ_{xx} and σ_{yy} but with $\tau_{xy} = 0$. The material constants are E and ν . A strain gauge placed at the point is orientated in such a way that its reading of the normal strain (along its own axis) is dependent only on σ_{yy} but not on σ_{xx} . Show that the orientation θ is given by $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu}}$. [10 marks]



Q2

Axial dirⁿ: 2Circumferential dirⁿ: 1

$$\varepsilon_2 = \frac{\Delta l}{l} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mm}}{12 \text{ mm}} = 417 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$(a) \quad \sigma_1 = \frac{pr}{t}, \quad \sigma_2 = \frac{pr}{2t}$$

$$\varepsilon_2 = \frac{1}{E} \left[\sigma_2 - \nu(\sigma_1 + \cancel{\sigma_3}^{\approx 0}) \right]$$

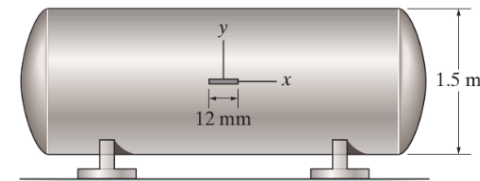
$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon_2 = \frac{1}{E} \left[\frac{pr}{2t} - \nu \frac{pr}{t} \right]$$

2. The strain gauge is placed on the surface of a thin-walled steel boiler (a kind of pressure vessel) as shown. The boiler wall has an inner diameter of 1.5 m and a wall thickness of 12 mm. For the steel, $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$ and $\nu = 0.3$.

(a) If the strain gauge is 12 mm long, determine the pressure in the boiler when the gauge undergoes an elongation of $5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mm}$.

(b) Determine the maximum *in-plane* shear strain in the wall.

[10 + 2 = 12 marks]



$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon_2 = \frac{pr}{Et} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \nu \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{2Et\varepsilon_2}{(1-2\nu)r}$$

$$= 6.67 \text{ MPa}$$

(b) For max in-plane shear strain, we need ϵ_1 also.

$$\epsilon_1 = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_1 - \nu \sigma_2] = \frac{1}{E} \left[\frac{p r}{t} - \nu \frac{p r}{2t} \right]$$

$$= \frac{p r}{E t} \left(1 - \frac{\nu}{2} \right)$$

$$= 1771 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\therefore \text{Max in-plane shear strain: } \frac{1}{2} (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)$$
$$= 677 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{Or, } \gamma_{\text{max, in-plane}} = 2 \times 677 \times 10^{-6}$$
$$= 1354 \times 10^{-6}$$

Q3

Externally applied force:

$$\vec{F}_o = (-250 \sin 60^\circ \hat{j} - 250 \cos 60^\circ \hat{k}) \text{ N}$$

$$= (-216.506 \hat{j} - 125 \hat{k}) \text{ N}$$

$$\therefore \text{At the c/s: } \vec{F} = -\vec{F}_o = (216.506 \hat{j} + 125 \hat{k}) \text{ N}$$

Moment of \vec{F}_o about the origin:

$$\vec{M}_o = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}_o, \text{ where } \vec{r}_o = (-0.250 \hat{i} + 0.300 \hat{k}) \text{ m}$$

$$= (64.952 \hat{i} - 31.25 \hat{j} + 54.127 \hat{k}) \text{ Nm}$$

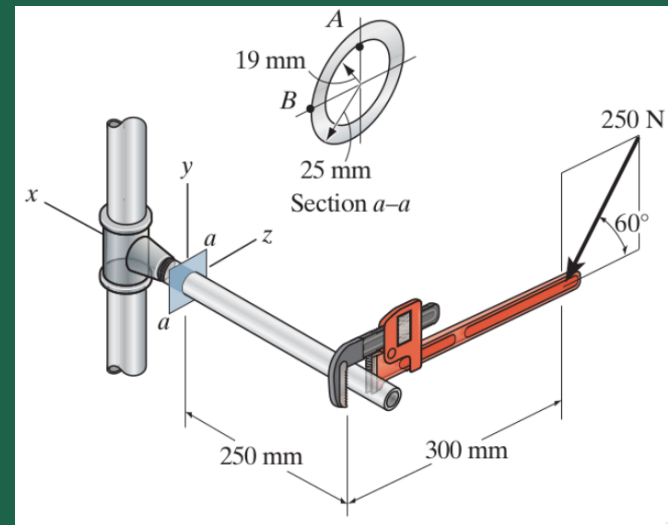
\therefore Moment \vec{M} "at" the c/s:

$$\vec{M} = -\vec{M}_o = (-64.952 \hat{i} + 31.25 \hat{j} - 54.127 \hat{k}) \text{ Nm}$$

$$\text{Now, } I_y = I_z = \frac{\pi}{4} (R_o^4 - R_i^4) = 204442 \text{ mm}^4$$

$$J = \frac{\pi}{2} (R_o^4 - R_i^4) = 408884 \text{ mm}^4$$

3. Determine the normal stress and the shear stress at the point A on the cross-section of the pipe at section a-a. [16 marks]



Normal stress at A:

M_y does not contribute.

M_z contributes

$$\sigma_{xx}|_A = \left| \frac{M_z y}{I_z} \right| \text{ (tensile)}$$

$$= 5.03 \text{ MPa}$$

No contribution from any axial stress because $F_x = 0$

Shear Stress at A:

First note that $\tau_{xy}|_A = 0$ because $\tau_{yx}|_A = 0$. This is because pt A is part of a free surface (the inner hollow curved surface)

$\tau_{xz}|_A$ will have 2 contributions: torsion + shear (due to bending)

$$\tau_{xz}|_A^{\text{torsion}} = \left| \frac{T \rho_A}{J} \right| = \left| \frac{M_x \rho_A}{J} \right| = \frac{64.95 \times 0.019}{408884 \times 10^{-12}} \text{ N/m}^2 = 3.02 \text{ MPa}$$

↳ This is along the -ve z-dirⁿ.

$$\tau_{xz}|_A^{\text{shear}} = \left| \frac{V_z Q}{I t} \right|$$

↳ This is along +ve z-dirⁿ.

$$= 0.298 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\therefore \tau_{xz}|_A = (3.02 - 0.298) \text{ MPa} \\ = 2.72 \text{ MPa}$$

$$Q = \frac{4R_o}{3\pi} \times \frac{1}{2} \pi R_o^2 - \frac{4R_i}{3\pi} \times \frac{1}{2} \pi R_i^2$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} (R_o^3 - R_i^3) = 5844 \text{ mm}^3$$

$$t = 2 \times (R_o - R_i)$$

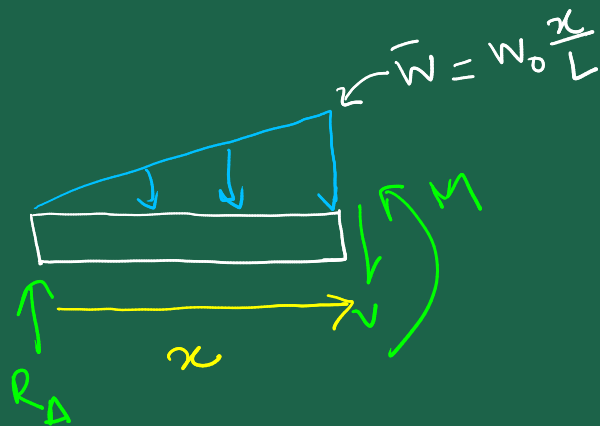
$$= 12 \text{ mm}$$

Q3k

$$\sum M_B = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2} w_0 L \right) \times \frac{L}{3} = R_A L$$

$$\Rightarrow R_A = \frac{w_0 L}{6}$$



$$\frac{1}{2} \bar{w} x \times \frac{x}{3} + M - R_A x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow M = R_A x - \frac{\bar{w} x^2}{6}$$

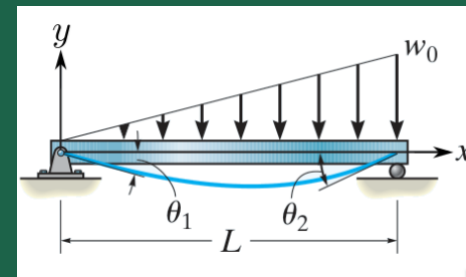
$$\Rightarrow M = \frac{w_0 x L}{6} - \frac{w_0 x^3}{6L}$$

Now,

$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = M = \frac{w_0 x L}{6} - \frac{w_0 x^3}{6L}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{w_0}{6EI} \left(xL - \frac{x^3}{L} \right)$$

4. A simply-supported beam of constant flexural rigidity (EI) is subjected to a linearly varying distributed load, $w(x) = \frac{w_0 x}{L}$. Determine the expression of the beam deflection, $y(x)$, by solving the 2nd-order differential equation for deflection of beams together with the use of appropriate boundary conditions. Your answer MUST be expressed in the form: $y = -\frac{w_0 x}{KEIL} (ax^4 + bx^3L + cx^2L^2 + dL^3x + eL^4)$, where the values of K , a , b , c , d , and e are to be determined. K must be positive. [14 marks]



$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{w_0}{6EI} \left(\frac{x^2 L}{2} - \frac{x^4}{4L} \right) + C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{w_0}{6EI} \left(\frac{x^3 L}{6} - \frac{x^5}{20L} \right) + C_1 x + C_2$$

$$\textcircled{a} x=0, y=0 \Rightarrow C_2=0$$

$$\textcircled{a} x=L, y=0 \Rightarrow \frac{w_0}{6EI} \left(\frac{L^4}{6} - \frac{L^4}{20} \right) + C_1 L = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{-w_0}{6EI} \left(\frac{L^3}{6} - \frac{L^3}{20} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{-w_0}{6EI} \left(\frac{10-3}{60} \right) L^3$$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{-7w_0 L^3}{360EI}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore y &= \frac{w_0}{6EI} \left(\frac{x^3 L}{6} - \frac{x^5}{20L} \right) - \frac{7w_0 L^3 x}{360EI} \\
 &= \frac{w_0}{36EI} \left(x^3 L - \frac{6x^5}{20L} \right) - \frac{7w_0 L^3 x}{360EI} \\
 &= \frac{w_0}{360EI} \left(10x^3 L - 3\frac{x^5}{L} - 7L^3 x \right) \\
 &= \frac{-w_0 x}{360EIL} \left(-10x^2 L^2 + 3x^4 + 7L^4 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore K &= 360, & c &= -10, \\
 a &= 3, & d &= 0 \\
 b &= 0, & e &= 7
 \end{aligned}$$

Q5

$$EI \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} + P \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} + K^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 0$$

Let $y = e^{mx}$. Then,

$$m^4 + K^2 m^2 = 0$$

$$m = 0, 0, +iK$$

We obtain: $y = A \sin Kx + B \cos Kx + Cx + D$

Boundary Conditions:

$$@ x=0, y=0$$

$$@ x=L, y=0$$

$$@ x=0, M = EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 0$$

$$@ x=L, M = EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\beta \frac{dy}{dx} \rightarrow \text{i.e. } \beta \text{ times the slope}$$

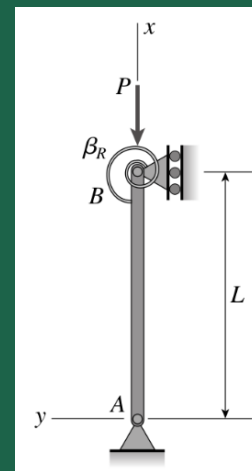
or $\beta \theta$

$$\text{We have: } \frac{dy}{dx} = AK \cos Kx - BK \sin Kx + C$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -AK^2 \sin Kx - BK^2 \cos Kx$$

5. A column with constant flexural rigidity (EI) is pinned at both its ends. At the top end ($x = L$), there is a rotational spring of stiffness β_R . Showing all the steps involving the solution of the 4th-order differential equation together with the use of the proper boundary conditions, show that the equation for finding the critical buckling load will be: $\frac{\beta_R L}{EI} (kL \cot(kL) - 1) = k^2 L^2$, where $k^2 = \frac{P}{EI}$. [14 marks]

NOTE: You don't have to solve this equation for the critical load.



Now, @ $x=0, y=0$

$$\Rightarrow B + D = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

@ $x=0, M=0$

$$\Rightarrow B = 0$$

$$\therefore D = 0 \quad (\text{Using (1)})$$

@ $x=L, y=0$

$$\Rightarrow A \sin kL + B \cos kL + CL + D = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A \sin kL + CL = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow C = - \frac{A \sin kL}{L}$$

$$\textcircled{a} x=L, \quad EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\beta \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$EI(-A\tilde{\kappa} \sin \kappa L - B\tilde{\kappa} \cos \kappa L) - \beta(A\kappa \cos \kappa L - B\kappa \sin \kappa L + C) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -EI A\tilde{\kappa} \sin \kappa L - \beta A\kappa \cos \kappa L - \beta \left(\frac{-A \sin \kappa L}{L} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta L A\kappa \cot \kappa L - \beta A - EI A\tilde{\kappa} L = 0$$

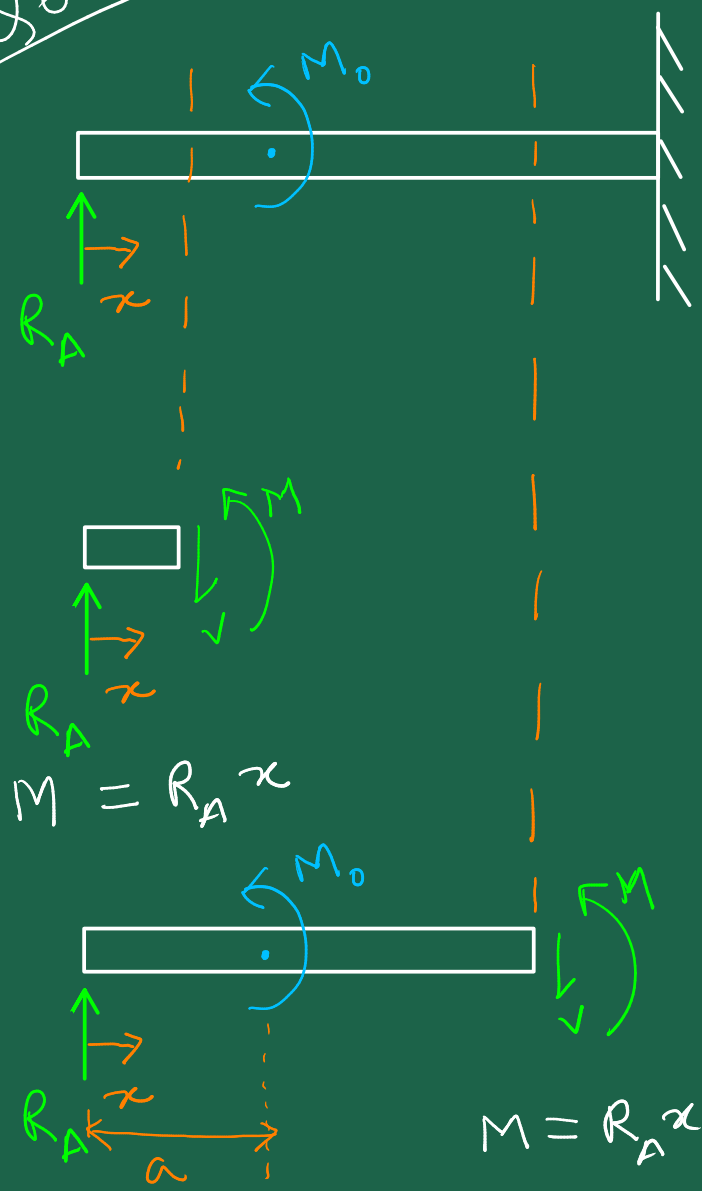
$$\Rightarrow \beta A (\kappa L \cot(\kappa L) - 1) - EI A\tilde{\kappa} L = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A \left[\frac{\beta L}{EI} (\kappa L \cot(\kappa L) - 1) - \tilde{\kappa} L^2 \right] = 0$$

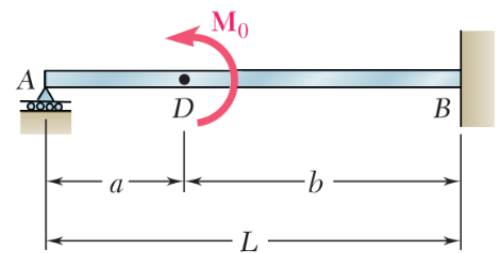
If $A=0$, then $C=0 \rightarrow$ trivial solⁿ

$$\therefore \frac{\beta L}{EI} (\kappa L \cot(\kappa L) - 1) = \tilde{\kappa} L^2$$

Q6



6. A beam AB is supported by rollers at end A , is clamped to the wall at B , and is subjected to a moment M_0 as shown in the figure. The flexural rigidity is EI , a constant. Using Castigliano's theorem, determine the reaction force at the the end A . [12 marks]



$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_A &= \int_0^L \frac{M}{EI} \frac{\partial M}{\partial R_A} dx \\ &= \int_0^a \frac{R_A x}{EI} (x) dx + \int_a^L \frac{(R_A x - M_0)(x)}{EI} dx \\ &= \frac{R_A a^3}{3EI} + \frac{R_A}{EI} \left(\frac{L^3 - a^3}{3} \right) - \frac{M_0}{EI} \left(\frac{L^2 - a^2}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{R_A}{EI} \left(\frac{a^3}{3} + \frac{L^3}{3} - \frac{a^3}{3} \right) - \frac{M_0}{EI} \left(\frac{L^2 - a^2}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{R_A L^3}{3EI} - \frac{M_o(L-a^2)}{2EI}$$

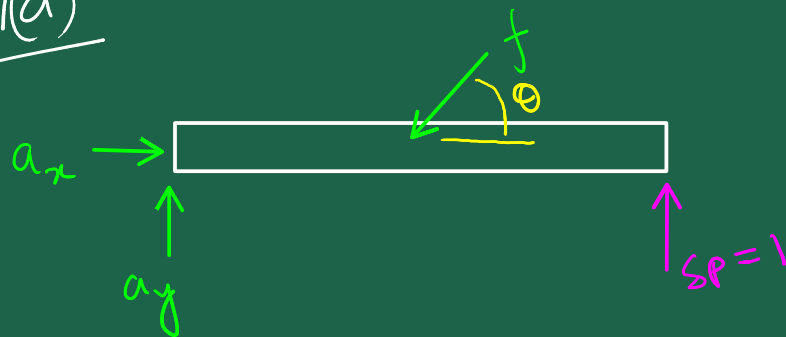
But $\Delta_A = 0$.

$$\therefore \frac{R_A L^3}{3EI} = \frac{M_o}{EI} \left(\frac{L^2 - a^2}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow R_A = \frac{3M_o(L+a)(L-a)}{2L^3}$$

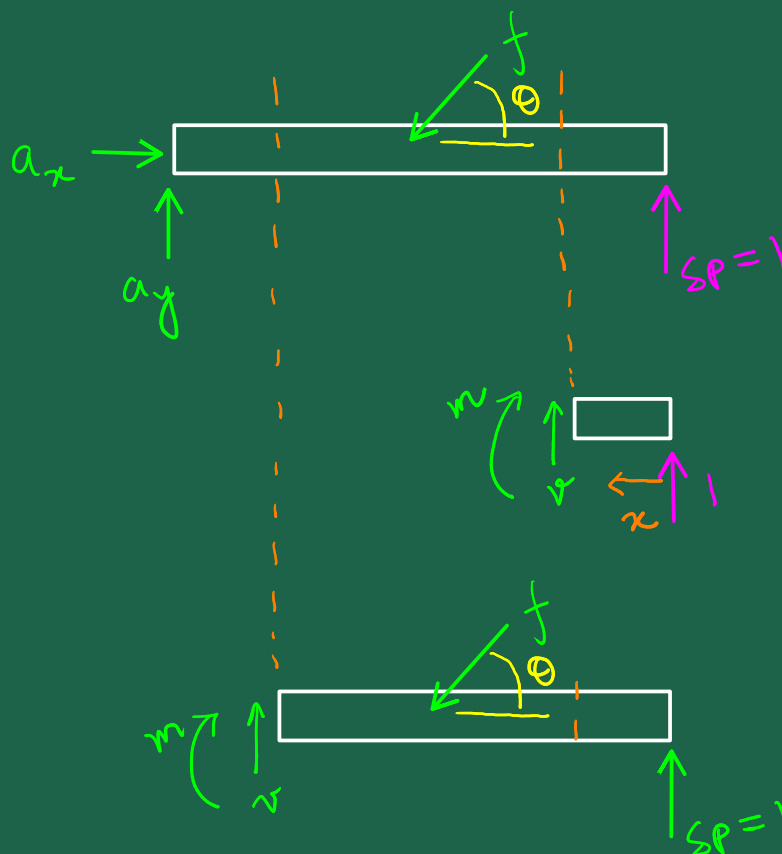
$$= \frac{3M_o(L+a)b}{2L^3}$$

Q7(a)



$$\begin{aligned}\sum M_A &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow f \sin \theta (L) &= \delta P (2L) \\ \Rightarrow f &= \frac{2}{\sin \theta} = \frac{2}{4/5} = \frac{5}{2}\end{aligned}$$

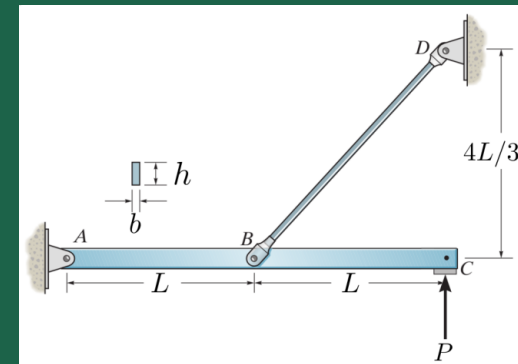
The forces and moments corresponding to P will be P times the forces and moments corresponding to $\delta P = 1$.



$$\begin{aligned}m + f \sin \theta (x - L) - v &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow m + \frac{5}{2} \times \frac{4}{5} (x - L) - v &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow m &= 2L - x\end{aligned}$$

7. The bar ABC has a rectangular cross-section ($b \times h$) while the attached rod BD has a circular cross-section of diameter d . Both members are made of the same material (Young's modulus, E). A point load P is acting at C in the vertically upward direction.

(a) Determine the vertically upward deflection of the end C , using the principle of virtual work. Neglect contribution due to shear. [12 marks]



$$\begin{aligned}BD &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{4L}{3}\right)^2 + L^2} \\ &= \frac{5L}{3} \\ \sin \theta &= \frac{4}{5} \\ \cos \theta &= \frac{3}{5}\end{aligned}$$

Using the Principle of Virtual Work:

$$1 \times \Delta = \underbrace{\int_0^{2L} m \frac{M}{EI_1} dx}_{\text{Bending in AC}} + \underbrace{\int_0^{5L/3} n \frac{M}{A_2 E} ds}_{\text{Axial loading in BD}} + \underbrace{\int_L^{2L} a_x \frac{A_x}{A_1 E} dx}_{\text{Axial loading in AB}}$$

$$= \int_0^L x \frac{Px}{EI_1} dx + \int_0^{2L} (2L-x) \frac{P(2L-x)}{EI_1} dx + \int_0^{5L/3} \left(\frac{5}{2}\right) \frac{\left(\frac{5P}{2}\right)}{A_2 E} ds + \int_L^{2L} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}P\right)}{A_1 E} dx$$

$$= \frac{PL^3}{3EI_1} + \frac{P}{EI_1} \int_L^{2L} (x-2L)^2 dx + \frac{25P}{4} \left(\frac{5L}{3A_2 E}\right) + \frac{9P}{4} \left(\frac{L}{A_1 E}\right)$$

$$= \frac{PL^3}{3EI_1} + \frac{P}{EI_1} \int_{-L}^0 \bar{x}^2 d\bar{x} + \frac{125PL}{12A_2 E} + \frac{9PL}{4A_1 E}$$

$$= \frac{PL^3}{3EI_1} + \frac{PL^3}{3EI_1} + \frac{125PL}{12A_2 E} + \frac{9PL}{4A_1 E}$$

$$= \frac{2PL^3}{3EI_1} + \frac{125PL}{12A_2E} + \frac{9PL}{4A_1E}$$

$$= \frac{2PL^3}{3E\left(\frac{1}{12}bh^3\right)} + \frac{125PL}{12\left(\pi d^2/4\right)E} + \frac{9PL}{4bhE}$$

$$= \frac{8PL^3}{Ebh^3} + \frac{125PL}{3\pi d^2E} + \frac{9PL}{4bhE}$$

Q7(b)

$$\text{For BD: } F = \frac{5}{2}P = \frac{\pi^2 E \left(\frac{\pi d^4}{64} \right)}{\left(0.5 \frac{5L}{3} \right)^2}$$

$$\text{For AB: } A_x = \frac{3}{2}P = \frac{\pi^2 E \left(\frac{1}{12} h b^3 \right)}{(0.5L)^2}$$

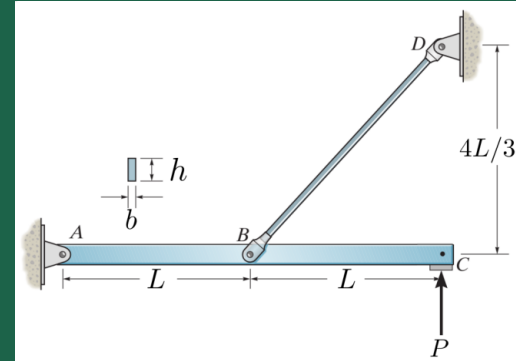
$$\therefore \frac{\frac{2}{5} \cancel{\pi^2 E} \left(\frac{\pi d^4}{64} \right)}{\left(0.5 \frac{5L}{3} \right)^2} = \frac{\frac{2}{3} \cancel{\pi^2 E} \left(\frac{1}{12} h b^3 \right)}{(0.5L)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9\pi d^4}{25 \times 64} \times \frac{3}{5} \times 12 = h b^3 = (3b) b^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{27\pi d^4}{125 \times 16} = b^4 \Rightarrow b = 0.4538 d$$

$$\text{or } d = 2.2036 b$$

(b) Taking $h = 3b$, determine the relation between b and d such that for a given P , both the part AB and the member BD will have a tendency to buckle together *out of the plane*. [10 marks]



For out-of-plane buckling of AB:

$$I = \frac{1}{12} h b^3$$