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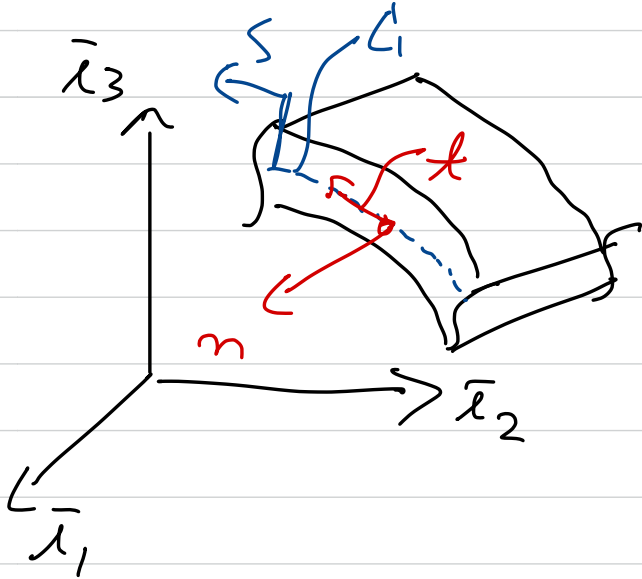
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# Thin-Walled Beams: Bending and Shear



Stress Resultants:

$$U_1 = \int_{C_1'} n \, ds$$

$$U_2 = \int_{C_1'} n \cdot x_3 \, ds$$

$$U_3 = \int_{C_1'} n \cdot x_2 \, ds$$

$$V_2 = \int_A \tau_{12} \, dA = \int_{C_1'} t \frac{dx_2}{ds} \, ds$$

$$V_3 = \int_{C_1'} t \frac{dx_3}{ds} \, ds$$

Equilibrium:

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial t}{\partial s} = 0$$

# Bending

\* Euler - Bernoulli assumptions are equally applicable

$$\epsilon_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \bar{\epsilon}_1 + x_3 \kappa_2 - x_2 \kappa_3$$

$$\sigma_1 = E \epsilon_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_1 \\ M_2 \\ M_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & H_{22}^C & -H_{23}^C \\ 0 & -H_{23}^C & H_{33}^C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\epsilon}_1 \\ \kappa_2 \\ \kappa_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_1 = E \left[ \frac{N_1}{S} - \frac{x_2 H_{23}^C - x_3 H_{33}^C}{\Delta H} M_2 - \frac{x_2 H_{22}^C - x_3 H_{23}^C}{\Delta H} M_3 \right]$$

$$\Delta H = H_{22}^C H_{33}^C - H_{23}^C H_{23}^C$$

$$m(x_1, s) =$$

$$E(s) \epsilon(s) \left[ \frac{N_1}{S} - \frac{x_2 H_{23}^C - x_3 H_{33}^C}{\Delta H} M_2 - \frac{x_2 H_{22}^C - x_3 H_{23}^C}{\Delta H} M_3 \right]$$

\* You may use thin-walled assumption in computing

$$H_{22}^C, H_{33}^C, H_{23}^C$$

\* Solve these problems in the same fashion that we solved solid section bending problems.

\* Applies to both open and closed thin-walled sections.

# Shearing

\* Bending moments are usually accompanied by transverse shear forces.

$$\frac{\partial m}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial t}{\partial s} = 0 \rightarrow \frac{\partial t}{\partial s} = -\frac{\partial m}{\partial x_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial t}{\partial s} = & - E(s) t(s) \left[ \frac{1}{s} \frac{dM_1}{dx_1} \right. \\ & - \frac{x_2 H_{23}^c - x_3 H_{33}^c}{\Delta H} \frac{dM_2}{dx_1} \\ & \left. - \frac{x_2 H_{22}^c - x_3 H_{23}^c}{\Delta H} \frac{dM_3}{dx_1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Recall: Balance equations

$$\frac{dM_1}{dx_1} = -P_1(x_1)$$

$$\frac{dM_3}{dx_1} + V_2 = -\cancel{q_3(x_1)} + \cancel{x_{2A} P_1(x_1)}$$

$$\frac{dM_2}{dx_1} - V_3 = -\cancel{q_2(x_1)} - \cancel{x_{3A} P_1(x_1)}$$

\* Assume:  $q_2 = q_3 = 0$ ,  $x_{2A} = x_{3A} = 0$

$$\frac{\partial t}{\partial s} = -E(s)t(s) \left[ \frac{-x_2 H_{23}^C - x_3 H_{33}^C}{\Delta H} \underline{V_3} + \frac{x_2 H_{22}^C - x_3 H_{23}^C}{\Delta H} \underline{V_2} \right]$$

$$t(s) = C - \int_0^s \frac{\partial t}{\partial s} ds$$

→ Value of shear flow  $t$  at  $s=0$ .

\*  $V_2, V_3, H_{22}^C, H_{23}^C, H_{33}^C$  are not functions of  $s$

$$\begin{aligned} t(s) = C &+ \frac{H_{23}^C}{\Delta H} V_3 \int_0^s E t x_2 ds \quad Q_3(s) \\ &- \frac{H_{33}^C}{\Delta H} V_3 \int_0^s E t x_3 ds \quad Q_2(s) \\ &- \frac{H_{22}^C}{\Delta H} V_2 \int_0^s E t x_2 ds \\ &+ \frac{H_{23}^C}{\Delta H} V_2 \int_0^s E t x_3 ds \end{aligned}$$

Defining:

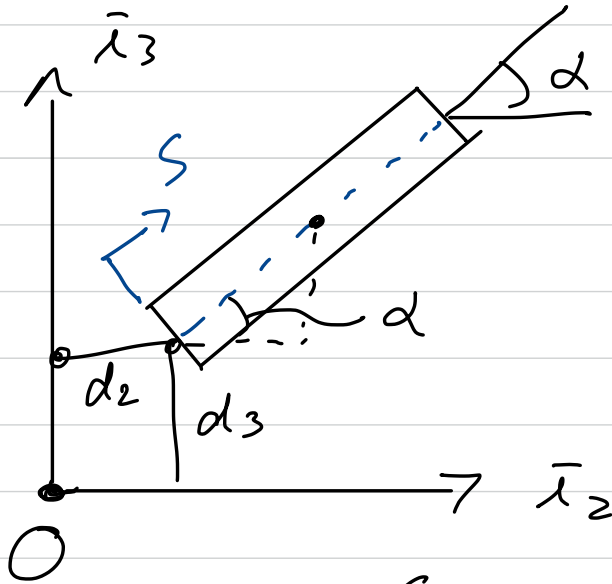
$$\left. \begin{aligned} Q_2(s) &= \int_0^s E t x_3 ds \\ Q_3(s) &= \int_0^s E t x_2 ds \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Stiffness} \\ \text{Static} \\ \text{Moments} \end{array}$$

→ Functions of  $s$ ! NOT constants.

$$\begin{aligned} k(s) = & C + \frac{Q_3 H_{23}^c - Q_2 H_{33}^c}{\Delta H} V_3 \\ & - \frac{Q_3 H_{22}^c - Q_2 H_{23}^c}{\Delta H} V_2 \end{aligned}$$

\* Given  $V_2$  &  $V_3$ , and the geometry and material properties → we can solve for  $k$ !

## Example



$$x_2 = d_2 + S \cos(\alpha)$$

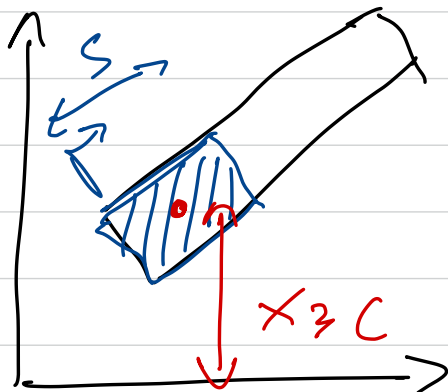
$$x_3 = d_3 + S \sin(\alpha)$$

$$Q_2 = \int_0^S Et x_3 ds = Et \int_0^S (d_3 + S \sin(\alpha)) ds$$

$$Q_2 = Et \left[ d_3 S + \frac{S^2}{2} \sin(\alpha) \right]$$

$$Q_2 = E \underbrace{(ts)}_{\text{Area}} \left[ d_3 + \frac{S}{2} \sin(\alpha) \right]$$

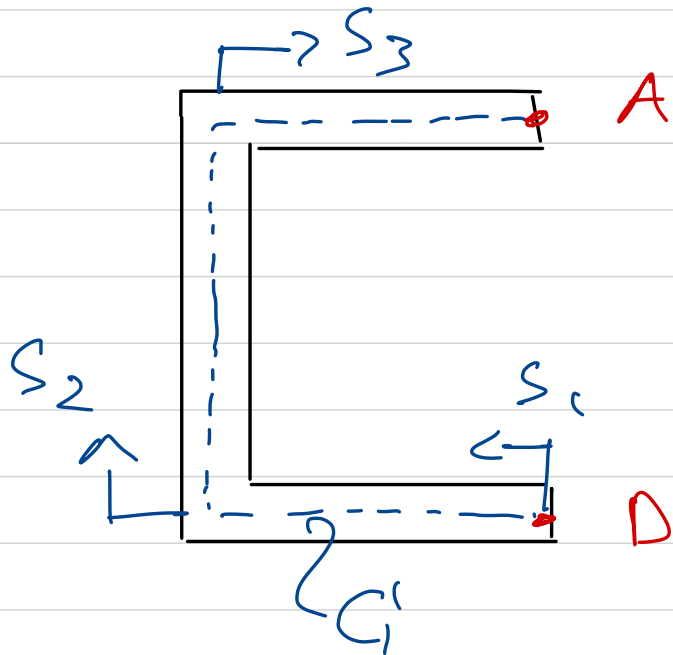
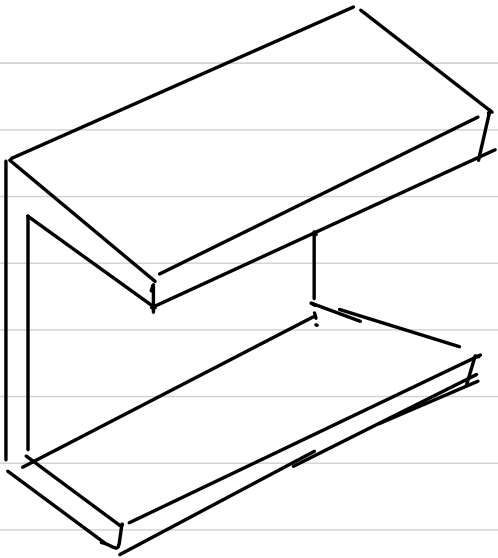
at a given S



Distance to the centroid at the area at a given S in the  $\bar{i}_3$  direction,  $x_{3C}$

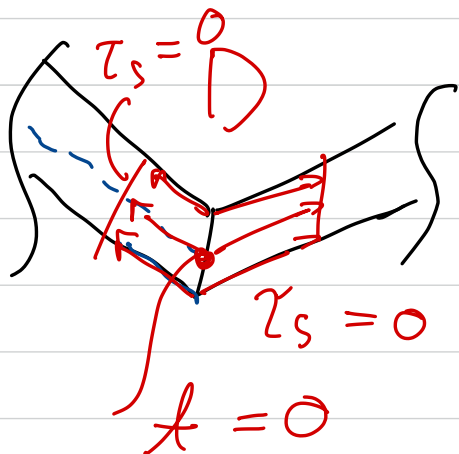


# Shear flow in Open Sections



\* For open sections, the shear stress vanishes at the end points at the curve  $C_1$

→ Points A and D



\* If we choose the origin at  $s$  at such an endpoint

→  $c = 0!$

Given a shear force  $V_2, V_3$   
compute  $t$

Procedure:

- 1) Find centroid and  
compute  $H_{22}^C, H_{33}^C, H_{23}^C$
- 2) Select a coordinate  $s$ .  
Several coordinates  
may be required.
- 3) Evaluate  $Q_2(s)$  and  $Q_3(s)$
- 4) Compute  $t$ .