

**PROBLEM 5-29** DETERMINE THE LOCATION OF THE SHEAR CENTER  $E$  OF THE SECTION SHOWN. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES AND, WHERE APPROPRIATE, ARE FROM THE CENTERS OF THE 0.1 IN THICK WALLS.

GIVEN:

1. CROSS SECTION SHOWN
2. A LOAD THAT IS CREATING A SHEARING FORCE  $V$

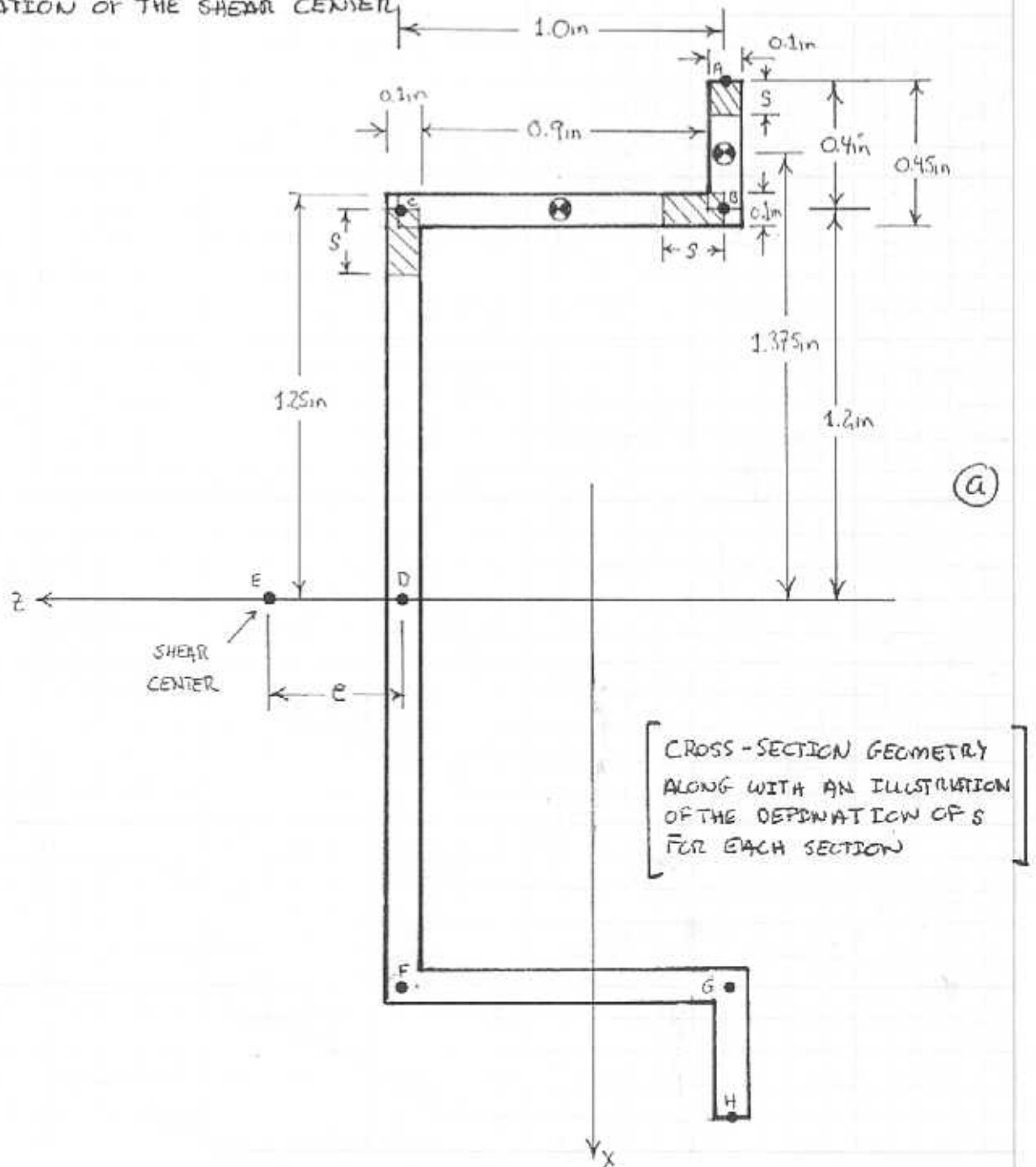
ASSUMPTIONS:

1. LINEAR ELASTIC MATERIAL RESPONSE
2. SMALL DEFORMATIONS

FIND:

1. LOCATION OF THE SHEAR CENTER

FIGURE:



SOLUTION:

THE SHEAR STRESS NEEDS TO BE CALCULATED IN EACH SECTION AND THEN INTEGRATED IN ORDER TO DETERMINE THE SHEAR FORCE IN EACH SECTION. THE SHEAR FORCE IS GIVEN BY

$$\tau = \frac{V \cdot Q}{I \cdot t} \quad (1)$$

THE MOMENT OF INERTIA  $I$  IS FOR THE ENTIRE SECTION AND IS GIVEN BY

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{1}{12} (0.1 \text{ m}) (2.125 \text{ m})^3 + 2 \left[ \frac{1}{12} (0.9 \text{ m}) (0.1 \text{ m})^3 + (0.9) (0.1 \text{ m}) (1.2 \text{ m})^2 \right] \\ &\quad + 2 \left[ \frac{1}{12} (0.1 \text{ m}) (0.45 \text{ m})^3 + (0.1 \text{ m}) (0.45 \text{ m}) (1.375 \text{ m})^2 \right] \\ &= \underline{\underline{0.5612 \text{ m}^4}} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

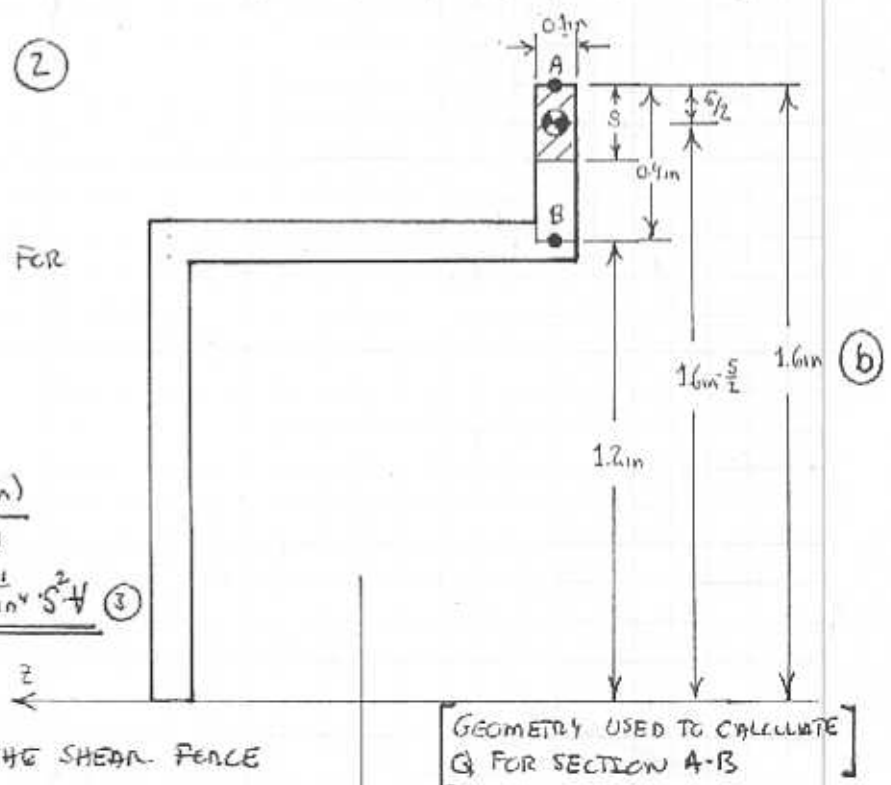
SECTION A-B

CALCULATING AN EXPRESSION FOR THE SHEAR STRESS FROM A TO B

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{xy} &= \frac{V \cdot Q}{I \cdot t} = \frac{V \cdot \bar{x} A}{I \cdot t} \\ &= \frac{V \cdot (1.6 \text{ m} - \frac{s}{2}) (s) (0.1 \text{ m})}{(0.5612 \text{ m}^4) (0.1 \text{ m})} \\ &= \underline{\underline{2.851 \frac{1}{\text{m}^3} \cdot s \cdot V - 0.8909 \frac{1}{\text{m}^4} \cdot s^2 \cdot V}} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

THE SHEAR STRESS IS NOW INTEGRATED OVER THE AREA OF SECTION A-B TO DETERMINE THE SHEAR FORCE

$$\begin{aligned} V_{AB} &= \int \tau_{xy} \cdot t \cdot ds \\ &= \int_0^{0.4 \text{ m}} (2.851 \frac{1}{\text{m}^3} \cdot s \cdot V - 0.8909 \frac{1}{\text{m}^4} \cdot s^2 \cdot V) (0.1 \text{ m}) ds \\ &= V \int_0^{0.4 \text{ m}} (0.2851 \frac{1}{\text{m}^3} \cdot s - 0.08909 \frac{1}{\text{m}^4} \cdot s^2) ds = V \cdot \left[ 0.2851 \frac{1}{\text{m}^3} \cdot \frac{s^2}{2} - 0.08909 \frac{1}{\text{m}^4} \cdot \frac{s^3}{3} \right]_0^{0.4 \text{ m}} \\ &= \underline{\underline{0.0747810 \cdot V}} \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$



### SECTION B-C

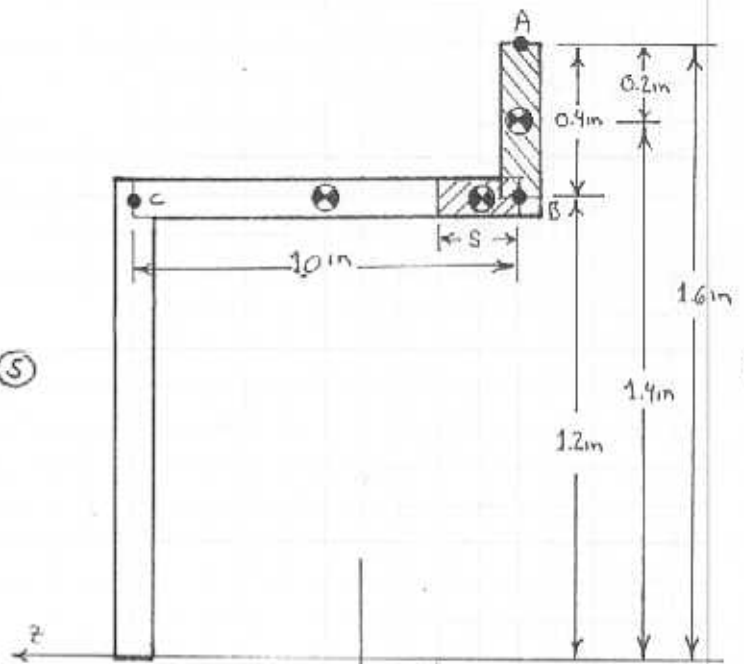
CALCULATING AN EXPRESSION FOR THE SHEAR STRESS FROM B-C

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{yz} &= \frac{VQ}{I\bar{t}} = \frac{V(\bar{S}\bar{x}_A)}{I\bar{t}} \\ &= \frac{V[(1.4\text{m})(0.1\text{m})(0.4\text{m}) + (1.2\text{m})(0.1\text{m})S]}{(0.5612\text{m}^4)(0.1\text{m})} \\ &= V[0.9979 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2} + 2.138 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2}S] \quad (5) \end{aligned}$$

THE SHEAR STRESS IS NOW INTEGRATED OVER THE AREA OF SECTION B-C TO DETERMINE THE SHEAR FORCE IN THIS SECTION

$$\begin{aligned} V_{BC} &= \int \gamma_{yz} dA = \int \gamma_{yz} \bar{t} \cdot ds \\ &= \int_0^{1.0} V[0.9979 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2} + 2.138 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2}S] \cdot (0.1\text{m}) ds \\ &= \int_0^{1.0} V[0.09979 \frac{1}{\text{m}} + 0.2138 \frac{1}{\text{m}}S] ds = V[0.09979 \frac{1}{\text{m}} \cdot 1.0\text{m} + 0.2138 \frac{1}{\text{m}} \cdot \frac{S^2}{2} \Big|_0^{1.0\text{m}}] \\ &= 0.2067 \cdot V \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

[GEOMETRY USED TO CALCULATE Q FOR SECTION B-C]



### SECTION C-D

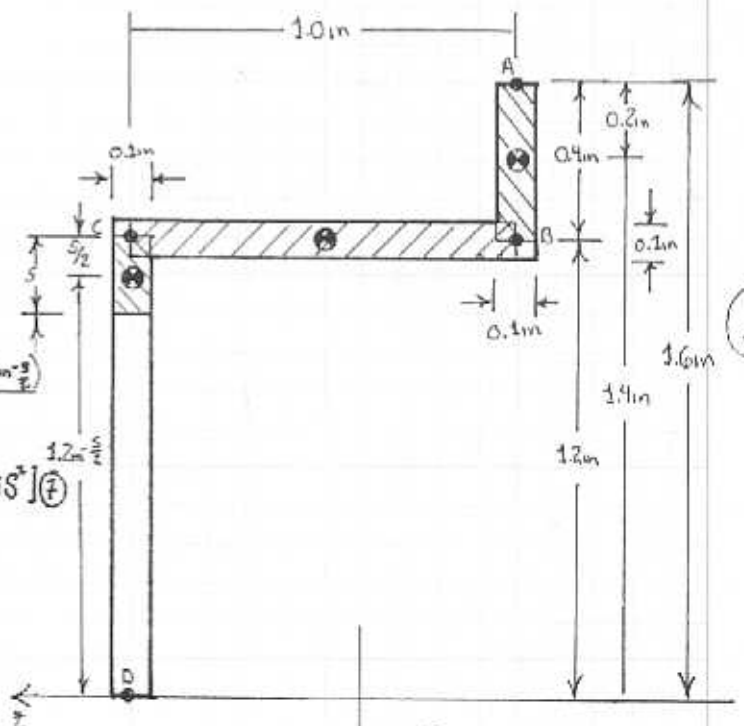
CALCULATING AN EXPRESSION FOR THE SHEAR STRESS FROM C-D

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{xy} &= \frac{VQ}{I\bar{t}} = \frac{V(\bar{S}\bar{x}_A)}{I\bar{t}} \\ &= \frac{V[(0.1\text{m})(0.4\text{m})(1.4\text{m}) + (0.1\text{m})(1.0\text{m})(1.2\text{m}) + (0.1\text{m})S(1.2\text{m} - \frac{S}{2})]}{0.5612\text{m}^4 \cdot 0.1\text{m}} \\ &= V[3.136 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2} + 2.138 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2}S - 0.8909 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2}S^2] \quad (7) \end{aligned}$$

THE SHEAR STRESS IS NOW INTEGRATED OVER THE AREA OF SECTION C-D TO DETERMINE THE SHEAR FORCE IN THIS SECTION.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{CD} &= \int \gamma_{xy} dA = \int \gamma_{xy} \bar{t} \cdot ds \\ &= \int_0^{1.2\text{m}} V[3.136 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2} + 2.138 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2}S - 0.8909 \frac{1}{\text{m}^2}S^2] \cdot (0.1\text{m}) \cdot ds \\ &= V \int_0^{1.2\text{m}} [0.3136 \frac{1}{\text{m}} + 0.2138 \frac{1}{\text{m}}S - 0.08909 \frac{1}{\text{m}}S^2] \cdot ds \\ &= V[0.3136 \frac{1}{\text{m}} \cdot 1.2\text{m} + 0.2138 \frac{1}{\text{m}} \cdot \frac{S^2}{2} \Big|_0^{1.2\text{m}} - 0.08909 \frac{1}{\text{m}} \cdot \frac{S^3}{3} \Big|_0^{1.2\text{m}}] = 0.4789 \cdot V \quad (8) \end{aligned}$$

[GEOMETRY USED TO CALCULATE Q FOR SECTION C-D]



THE SHEAR CENTER LOCATION WITH RESPECT TO POINT CAN NOW BE CALCULATED USING THE SHEAR FORCES CALCULATED AND GEOMETRY SUMMERIZED IN (c)

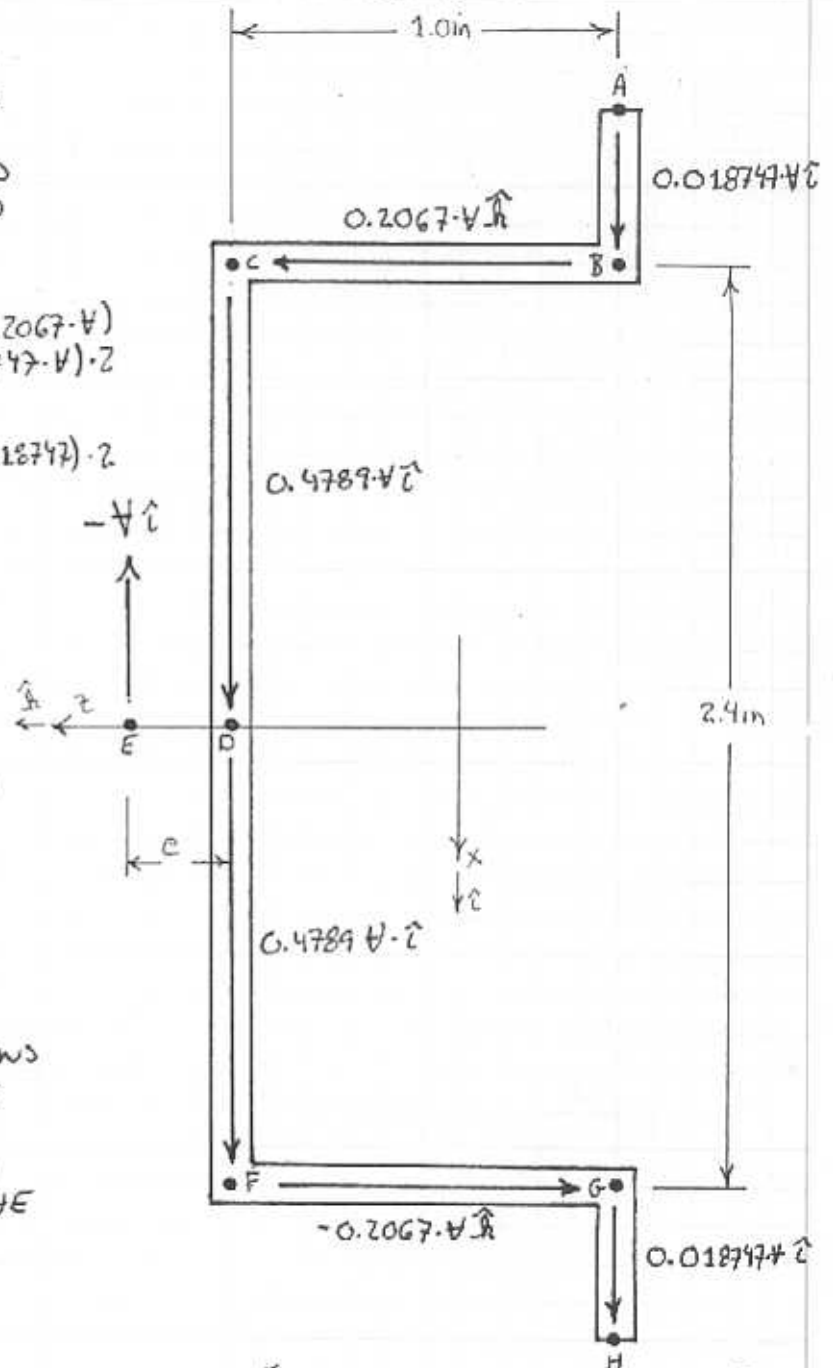
$$\sum M_{y@D} = 0 = -e \cdot V + (2.4 \text{ in})(0.2067 \cdot V) - (1.0 \text{ in})(0.018747 \cdot V) \cdot 2$$

$$e = (2.4 \text{ in})(0.2067) - (1.0 \text{ in})(0.018747) \cdot 2$$

$$= \boxed{0.4589 \text{ in}}$$

### Summary:

IN THE SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM SYMMETRY IS USED TO EVALUATE THE SHEAR STRESS AND SHEAR FORCE IN SECTIONS D-F, F-G, AND G-H. THE LOCATION OF THE SHEAR CENTER DID NOT REQUIRE THE CALCULATION OF THE SHEAR FORCE IN SECTIONS C-D AND D-F. THESE FORCES ARE USED TO VERIFY THAT THE NET FORCE IN THIS CROSS-SECTION IS  $V$  ACTING IN THE POSITIVE X-DIRECTION.



[GEOMETRY AND SHEAR FORCE SUMMARY USED TO CALCULATE THE SHEAR CENTER]