

Q.1.(a)

Horizontal centroid by inspection: $5.5t$

Vertical centroid by inspection: $4t$

Second moment of area, I_{xx} , determined from built-up sections using parallel axis theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} I'_{xx} &= \sum I_{xx} + (A_s \cdot y_s^2) \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{6t \cdot t^3}{12} \right) + \left(6t \cdot t \cdot \left(-4t + \frac{t}{2} \right)^2 \right) \right] + \left[\left(\frac{(6t)^3 \cdot t}{12} \right) + (6t \cdot t \cdot 0^2) \right] + \left[\left(\frac{6t \cdot t^3}{12} \right) + \left(6t \cdot t \cdot \left(4t - \frac{t}{2} \right)^2 \right) \right] \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{t^4}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{147t^4}{2} \right) \right] + \left[\left(\frac{36t^4}{2} \right) + 0 \right] + \left[\left(\frac{t^4}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{147t^4}{2} \right) \right] \\ &= 166t^4 \end{aligned}$$

Second moment of area, I_{yy} , determined from built-up sections using parallel axis theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} I'_{yy} &= \sum I_{yy} + (A_s \cdot x_s^2) \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{(6t)^3 \cdot t}{12} \right) + \left(6t \cdot t \cdot \left(-\frac{6t}{2} + \frac{t}{2} \right)^2 \right) \right] + \left[\left(\frac{6t \cdot t^3}{12} \right) + (6t \cdot t \cdot 0^2) \right] + \left[\left(\frac{(6t)^3 \cdot t}{12} \right) + \left(6t \cdot t \cdot \left(\frac{6t}{2} - \frac{t}{2} \right)^2 \right) \right] \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{36t^4}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{75t^4}{2} \right) \right] + \left[\left(\frac{t^4}{2} \right) + 0 \right] + \left[\left(\frac{36t^4}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{75t^4}{2} \right) \right] \\ &= 111.5t^4 \end{aligned}$$

Second moment of area, I_{xy} , determined from built-up sections using parallel axis theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} I'_{xy} &= \sum I_{xy} + (A_s \cdot x_s \cdot y_s) \\ &= \left[0 + \left(6t \cdot t \cdot \left(-\frac{6t}{2} + \frac{t}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{8t}{2} - \frac{t}{2} \right) \right) \right] + \left[0 + (6t \cdot t \cdot 0 \cdot 0) \right] + \left[0 + \left(6t \cdot t \cdot \left(\frac{6t}{2} - \frac{t}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{-8t}{2} + \frac{t}{2} \right) \right) \right] \\ &= \left[\frac{-105t^4}{2} \right] + \left[0 \right] + \left[\frac{-105t^4}{2} \right] \\ &= -105t^4 \end{aligned}$$

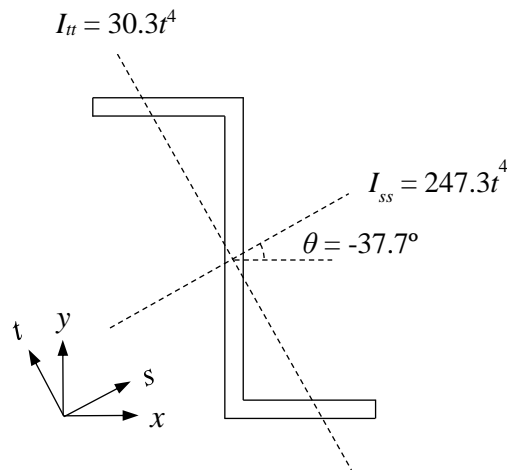
Q.1.(b)

Principal second moment of area, I_{ss} , found where $I_{st} = 0$ using Mohr's circle geometry:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{ss} &= \frac{1}{2} (I_{xx} + I_{yy}) + \sqrt{I_{xy}^2 + \left(I_{xx} - \left(\frac{1}{2} (I_{xx} + I_{yy}) \right) \right)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (166t^4 + 111.5t^4) + \sqrt{(-105t^4)^2 + \left(166t^4 - \left(\frac{1}{2} (166t^4 + 111.5t^4) \right) \right)^2} \\ &= 138.8t^4 + 108.5t^4 \\ &= 247.3t^4 \end{aligned}$$

Principal second moment of area, I_{tt} , found where $I_{st} = 0$ using Mohr's circle geometry:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{tt} &= \frac{1}{2} (I_{xx} + I_{yy}) - \sqrt{I_{xy}^2 + \left(I_{xx} - \left(\frac{1}{2} (I_{xx} + I_{yy}) \right) \right)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (166t^4 + 111.5t^4) - \sqrt{(-105t^4)^2 + \left(166t^4 - \left(\frac{1}{2} (166t^4 + 111.5t^4) \right) \right)^2} \\ &= 138.8t^4 - 108.5t^4 \\ &= 30.3t^4 \end{aligned}$$

**Q.1.(c)**

Orientation of principal second moments of area:

$$\begin{aligned} \tan(2\theta) &= \frac{I_{xy}}{I_{xx} - \frac{1}{2}(I_{xx} + I_{yy})} \\ &= \frac{-105t^4}{166t^4 - 138.8t^4} \\ &= -3.86 \\ \therefore \theta &= -37.7^\circ \end{aligned}$$

From the structures data book, the end deflection of a beam of length L when subjected to uniformly distributed load (i.e. self-weight) is $\frac{wL^4}{8EI}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_s &= \frac{\sin\theta \cdot wL^4}{8EI_{tt}} = \frac{\sin\theta \cdot wL^4}{8E \cdot 30.3t^4} \\
&= 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \cdot \frac{wL^4}{Et^4} \\
\delta_t &= \frac{\cos\theta \cdot wL^4}{8EI_{ss}} = \frac{\cos\theta \cdot wL^4}{8E \cdot 247.3t^4} \\
&= 4.0 \times 10^{-4} \cdot \frac{wL^4}{Et^4} \\
\delta &= \sqrt{\delta_s^2 + \delta_t^2} \\
&= 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \cdot \frac{wL^4}{Et^4}
\end{aligned}$$

Q.1.(d) St. Venant's torsion constant:

$$\begin{aligned}
J &= \sum \frac{1}{3} \cdot b \cdot t^3 = \left[\frac{1}{3} \cdot 6t \cdot t^3 \right] + \left[\frac{1}{3} \cdot 6t \cdot t^3 \right] + \left[\frac{1}{3} \cdot 6t \cdot t^3 \right] \\
&= 6t^4
\end{aligned}$$

Q.1.(e) Rotation of the tip at the centroid for unrestrained warping:

$$\begin{aligned}
\theta_u &= \frac{TL}{GJ} = \frac{M \cdot 100t}{G \cdot 6t^4} \\
&= 16.7 \frac{M}{Gt^3}
\end{aligned}$$

Restrained warping constant, with d taken as vertical distance between flange centroids ($7t$):

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma &= \frac{d^2}{4} I_{yy} = \frac{(7t)^2}{4} 111.5t^4 \\
&= 1366t^6
\end{aligned}$$

Characteristic length:

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda &= \sqrt{\frac{E\Gamma}{GJ}} = \sqrt{\frac{E \cdot 1366t^6}{G \cdot 6t^4}} = 15.1 \cdot \sqrt{2(1+\nu)} \cdot t = 15.1 \cdot \sqrt{2.6} \cdot t \\
&= 24.3t
\end{aligned}$$

Effective length:

$$L' \approx L - \lambda = 100t - 24.3t = 75.7t$$

Rotation of the tip at the centroid for restrained warping:

$$\theta_r = \frac{TL}{GJ} = \frac{M \cdot 75.7t}{G \cdot 6t^4} = 12.6 \frac{M}{Gt^3}$$

Reduction in twist at the tip:

$$1 - \frac{\theta_r}{\theta_u} = 1 - \frac{12.6 \frac{M}{Gt^3}}{16.7 \frac{M}{Gt^3}} = 0.25$$

Therefore restrained warping results in a 25% reduction in twist at the tip.

Q.2.(a)

Using Macaulay's method:

$$-EI \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = R_A x + R_B \{x - 3\} - 6\{x - 6\} - 6\{x - 9\}$$

$$\therefore -EIv = R_A \frac{x^3}{6} + R_B \frac{\{x - 3\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{x - 6\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{x - 9\}^3}{6} + Ax + B$$

Applying boundary conditions @ $x = 0 \rightarrow v = 0 \therefore B = 0$

Applying boundary conditions @ $x = 3 \rightarrow v = 0$:

$$0 = R_A \frac{x^3}{6} + R_B \frac{\{x - 3\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{x - 6\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{x - 9\}^3}{6} + Ax$$

$$= R_A \frac{3^3}{6} + R_B \frac{\{3 - 3\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{3 - 6\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{3 - 9\}^3}{6} + 3A$$

$$= 4.5R_A + 3A \therefore A = -1.5R_A$$

Take moments about C:

$$12R_A + 9R_B = (6 \cdot 6) + (6 \cdot 3)$$

$$12R_A + 9R_B = 54 \therefore R_A = 4.5 - 0.75R_B$$

Applying boundary conditions @ $x = 12 \rightarrow v = 0$ given $A = -1.5R_A$ and $R_A = 4.5 - 0.75R_B$:

$$0 = R_A \frac{x^3}{6} + R_B \frac{\{x - 3\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{x - 6\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{x - 9\}^3}{6} + Ax$$

$$= R_A \frac{12^3}{6} + R_B \frac{\{12 - 3\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{12 - 6\}^3}{6} - \frac{6\{12 - 9\}^3}{6} + 12A$$

$$= 288R_A + 121.5R_B - 243 + 12A$$

$$= 288(4.5 - 0.75R_B) + 121.5R_B - 243 - 18R_A$$

$$= 1215 - 202.5R_B + 121.5R_B - 243 \therefore R_B = 12\text{kN}$$

Determine remaining reaction forces:

$$R_A = 4.5 - 0.75R_B$$

$$= 4.5 - 0.75 \cdot 12 = -4.5\text{kN}$$

Finally, from vertical equilibrium:

$$R_C = 6 + 6 - R_B - R_A$$

$$= 6 + 6 - 12 + 4.5 = 4.5\text{kN}$$

Q.2.(b)

From part (a):

$$\begin{aligned} -EIV &= R_A \frac{x^3}{6} + R_B \frac{\{x-3\}^3}{6} - 6 \frac{\{x-6\}^3}{6} - 6 \frac{\{x-9\}^3}{6} + Ax \\ &= -4.5 \frac{x^3}{6} + 12 \frac{\{x-3\}^3}{6} - \{x-6\}^3 - \{x-9\}^3 + 6.75x \\ \therefore v &= \frac{1}{EI} (0.75x^3 - 2\{x-3\}^3 + \{x-6\}^3 + \{x-9\}^3 - 6.75x) \end{aligned}$$

Q.2.(c)

Maximum deflection where $\frac{dv}{dx} = 0$:

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{EI} (2.25x^2 - 6\{x-3\}^2 + 3\{x-6\}^2 + 3\{x-9\}^2 - 6.75)$$

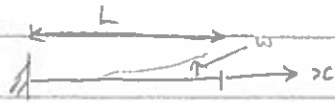
Maximum deflection expected at $6 < x < 9$, therefore expand the first two Macaulay brackets:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{1}{EI} (2.25x^2 - 6\{x-3\}^2 + 3\{x-6\}^2 + 3\{x-9\}^2 - 6.75) \\ &= \frac{1}{EI} (2.25x^2 - 6x^2 + 18x + 18x - 54 + 3x^2 - 18x - 18x + 108 - 6.75) \\ &= \frac{1}{EI} (-0.75x^2 + 47.25) \therefore x = 7.94 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

Find deflection at x :

$$\begin{aligned} v &= \frac{1}{EI} (0.75x^3 - 2\{x-3\}^3 + \{x-6\}^3 + \{x-9\}^3 - 6.75x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2 \times 10^4} (375.4 - 241.1 + 7.3 + 0 - 53.6) \\ &= 4.4 \times 10^3 \text{ m} = 4.4 \text{ mm} \end{aligned}$$

Q3.



$$w = L \sum_{j=2}^N \alpha_j \left(\frac{x}{L}\right)^j$$

a) Start at $j=2$ because deflection and slope are zero at $x=0$. [10%]
(i.e. $\alpha_0=0, \alpha_1=0$)

b) INT. STRAIN ENERGY = $\frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EI (w'')^2 dx$. $w'' = L \sum_{j=2}^N j(j-1) \alpha_j \frac{x^{j-2}}{L^2}$

Let $s = x/L$; $dx = L ds$ $= \frac{1}{L} \sum_{j=2}^N j(j-1) \alpha_j s^{j-2}$

INT. STRAIN ENERGY = $\frac{1}{2L^2} EI \int_0^1 \sum_{i=2}^N \sum_{j=2}^N i(i-1)j(j-1) \alpha_i \alpha_j \underbrace{s^{i-2} s^{j-2}}_{= s^{i+j-4}} ds$

and $\int_0^1 s^{i+j-4} ds = \frac{1}{i+j-3}$

so INT. STRAIN ENERGY = $\frac{1}{2L} EI \sum_{i=2}^N \sum_{j=2}^N \frac{ij(i-1)(j-1)}{i+j-3} \alpha_i \alpha_j$

WD by EXT LOADS = $P \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} (w')^2 dx = \frac{PL}{2} \int_0^1 (w')^2 ds$

$w' = \sum L j \alpha_j \frac{x^{j-1}}{L^2} = \sum j \alpha_j \frac{x^{j-1}}{L^{j-1}} = \sum j \alpha_j s^{j-1}$

$\int_0^1 (w')^2 ds = \int_0^1 \sum_i \sum_j ij \alpha_i \alpha_j \underbrace{s^{i-1} s^{j-1}}_{= s^{i+j-2}} ds$

$\int_0^1 s^{i+j-2} ds = \frac{1}{i+j-1}$

WD by EXT LOADS = $\frac{PL}{2} \sum_i \sum_j \left(\frac{ij}{i+j-1} \right) \alpha_i \alpha_j$

TOT. PE = INT STRAIN EN. - WD by EXT LOADS = $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=2}^N \sum_{j=2}^N \left(\frac{EI}{L} \frac{ij(i-1)(j-1)}{i+j-3} - \frac{PL}{i+j-1} \right) \alpha_i \alpha_j$

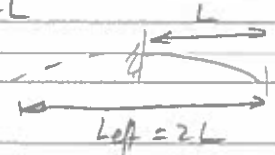
$\therefore k_{ij} = \frac{EI}{L} \frac{ij(i-1)(j-1)}{i+j-3} - \frac{PL}{i+j-1}$ [50%]

Q3 cont'd.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) Let } N=2 &\rightarrow i=2, j=2 \\
 \therefore k_{22} &= \frac{EI}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ & & 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} - PL \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ & 4-1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{4EI}{L} - \frac{4PL}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P_{\text{crit}} \text{ when } k_{22} = 0 \Rightarrow P_{\text{cr}} \approx \frac{3EI}{L^2} \quad \text{estimate} \quad [10\%]$$

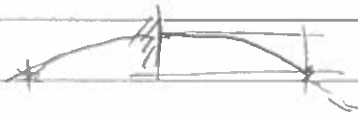
$$\text{d) Actual } P_{\text{cr}} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{(L_{\text{eff}})^2} \text{ where } L_{\text{eff}} = 2L$$



$$= \left(\frac{\pi^2}{4}\right) \frac{EI}{L^2} = \underline{\underline{2.47 \frac{EI}{L^2}}}$$

so our approximation is not bad (3 as opposed to 2.47 factor)

Our approximation is incorrect because we used a parabolic mode shape $w \sim x^2$, whereas the true buckling mode shape (i.e. the eigenvector when $P = P_{\text{cr}}$) is sinusoidal.

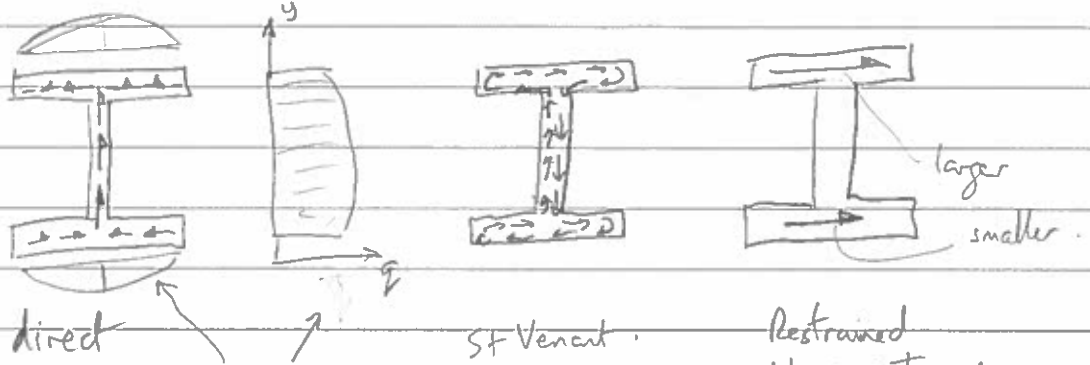


$$\begin{aligned}
 w &\sim \left[1 - \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) \right] \\
 &\sim 1 - \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \text{h.o.t.} \right) \sim x^2 + \text{h.o.t.}
 \end{aligned} \quad [10\%]$$

e) Can improve estimate by including more terms ($N > 2$) $\Rightarrow K = \text{matrix}$ (total tangent stiffness matrix) and then look for conditions when K has a zero eigenvalue. (Or could just use a better mode shape eg. the exact one)! [10%]

f) Expand $EI(x)$ as a polynomial $EI(x) = EI_0 \sum_{m=0}^M \beta_m x^m$ and include in $\frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EI(x) (w'')^2 dx$ calculations. [10%]

Q4. a)



direct

SF Vencut.

Restrained
Warping Torsion.

(top flange in
compression, so buckles (bends)
more, so larger associated
shear stress)

$$f = \frac{SA_z y}{I}$$

b)

406 x 140 x 46

$$M_{cr} = \frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{EI_{min} GJ} \left(1 + \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2 GJ} \right)^{1/2}$$

M_{basic}

406 x 140 x 46

$$I_{min} = 538 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^4$$

$$J = 19 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^4$$

$$I = I_{minor} \frac{D_f^2}{4} \quad D_f = 403.2 - 11.2 = 392 \text{ mm} = 0.392 \text{ m}$$

$$= \frac{538 \times (0.392)^2}{4} = 20.7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^6$$

$$\text{also } G = \frac{E}{2.6}$$

$$M_{basic} = \frac{\pi \cdot E}{L} \sqrt{\frac{I_{min} \cdot J}{2.6}} = \frac{\pi (210 \times 10^9) \text{ [N/m}^2]}{8 \text{ [m]}} \sqrt{\frac{(538)(19)}{2.6}} \times 10^{-8}$$

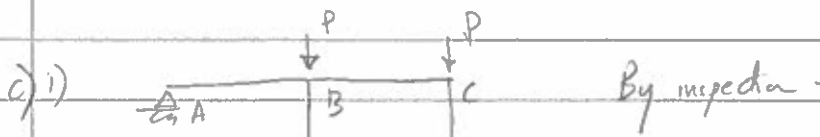
$$= 51.7 \text{ kNm}$$

$$\text{Correction due to warping} = \left(1 + \left(\frac{\pi}{8} \right)^2 (2.6) \frac{20.7}{19} \right)^{1/2} = (1.437)^{1/2} = 1.20$$

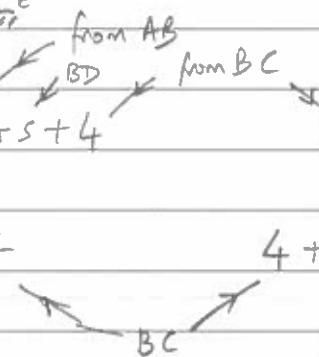
$$\therefore M_{LTB} = 51.7 \times 1.2 = 62 \text{ kNm}$$

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Q4 cont'd.



$$\begin{bmatrix} M_B \\ M_C \end{bmatrix} = \frac{EI}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 3+s+4 & 2 \\ 2 & 4+s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta_B \\ \theta_C \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\therefore K_{TOT} = \frac{EI}{L} \begin{bmatrix} s+7 & 2 \\ 2 & s+4 \end{bmatrix}$$

ii) Characteristic eqn $(s+7)(s+4) - 4 = 0$

$$s^2 + 11s + 28 - 4 = 0$$

$$s^2 + 11s + 24 = 0$$

$$s = \frac{-11 \pm \sqrt{121 - 4(24)}}{2} = \frac{-11 \pm 5}{2} = \begin{cases} -3 \\ -8 \end{cases} \text{ or}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P}{PE} \sim 2.73 \text{ for } s = -3 \text{ from graph.}$$

$$\therefore P_{cr} \cong (2.73)^2 \frac{EI}{L^2} \cong 26.9 \frac{EI}{L^2}$$

iii) $s = -3 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} M_B \\ M_C \end{bmatrix} = \frac{EI}{L} \begin{bmatrix} -3+7 & 2 \\ 2 & -3+4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta_B \\ \theta_C \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta_B \\ \theta_C \end{bmatrix}$

so $\theta_B = -\theta_C/2$.

Also $\theta_A = -\theta_B/2 = \theta_C/4$.

