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**Quiz 2**

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## Problems

### 1. Problem 1 (35 pts)

You are given the thin-wall cross-section in Figure 1 with thickness  $t = 0.5\text{cm}$ . The cross-section is subject to a vertical shear force  $Q$  parallel to axis  $z$  at the shear center.

- a) Determine the geometric centroid  $G$  of the cross-section, the moments of inertia of the cross-section about  $G_y$ ,  $G_z$  and the product of inertia of the cross-section. (5 pts)
- b) Calculate the shear stress  $\tau_{xy}$  at points  $C$  and  $D$  and plot the distribution of shear stress  $\tau_{xy}$  along  $CD$ . (10 pts)
- c) What is the total force due to the distribution of the shear stresses on  $CD$  and  $TD$ ? (8 pts)
- d) Determine the shear center of this cross-section. (7 pts)
- e) Plot the distribution of the shear stresses  $\tau_{xy}$  on this cross-section. (5pts)

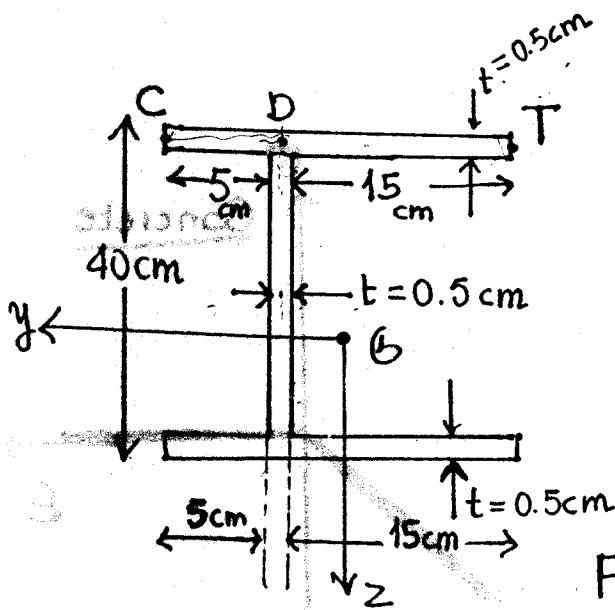
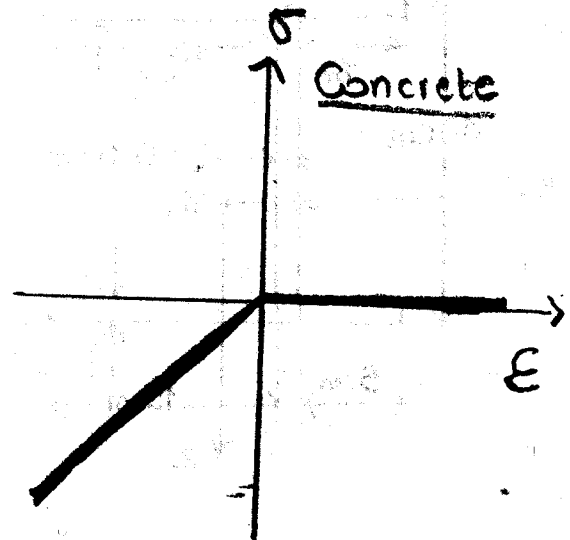
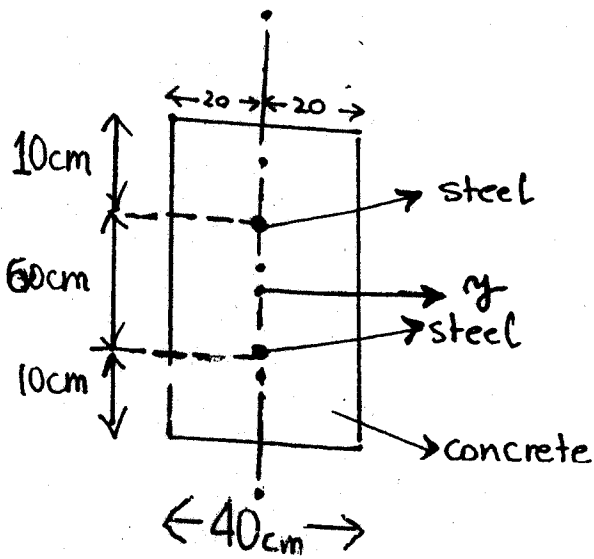


Figure 1

**Problem 2 (35 pts)**

You are given the following beam cross-section in Figure 2 made from concrete and two steel bars, each with cross-sectional area  $A = 5\text{cm}^2$ . The maximum permissible stresses in steel and concrete are given  $\sigma^s = 115\text{MPa}$  and  $\sigma^c = 6.5\text{MPa}$  and the ratio of the corresponding Young's moduli is  $\frac{E_s}{E_c} = 20$  (for concrete in compression).

- Plot the bending stress distribution on the cross section, due to a bending moment  $M_y$ . (10 pts)
- Calculate the position of the neutral axis given it is between the two bars. (10 pts)
- Determine the maximum permissible moment for this cross-section. (10 pts)
- Describe qualitatively what happens when the above permissible stresses are exceeded. (5 pts)



**Problem 3 (30 pts)**

You are given the following military bridge in Figure 3 supported by a cylindrical pontoon in water with density  $\rho_w$ . The pontoon's waterplane area is  $A_w$  and the acceleration of gravity is  $g$ . A military vehicle crosses the bridge with constant velocity. We model the weight of the vehicle as in Figure 4. Idealize the effect of the pontoon as an elastic spring attached to the middle of the bridge.

a) Calculate the deflection of the bridge as a function of the position of the vehicle  $x_v$ , from the left end. (15 pts)

b) Determine the position  $x_m$  of the vehicle for which the maximum moment occurs and determine the corresponding point  $A$ , where such maximum bending moment occurs, as well as its value  $M_A$ . For the cross section of the bridge given in Figure 5, derive the required waterplane area  $A_{min}$ , so that the maximum bending stress does not exceed a given value  $\sigma_{max}$ . (15 pts)

*HINT: You may use the following Figure 12.11 from the textbook.*

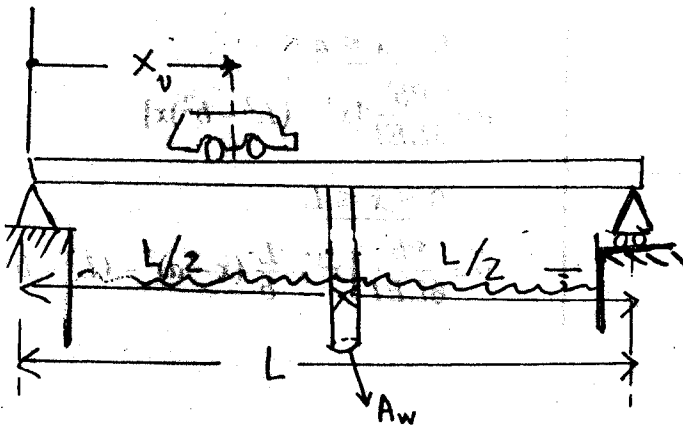
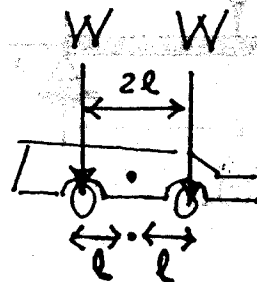


Figure 3



Total weight =  $2W$

Figure 4

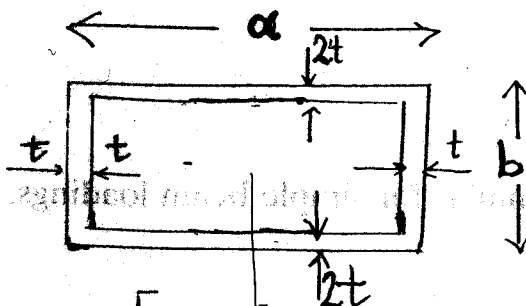
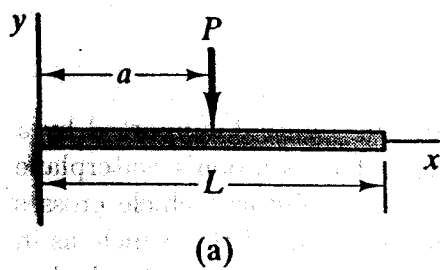
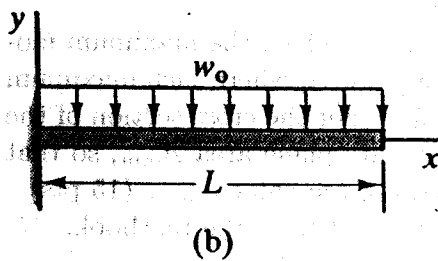


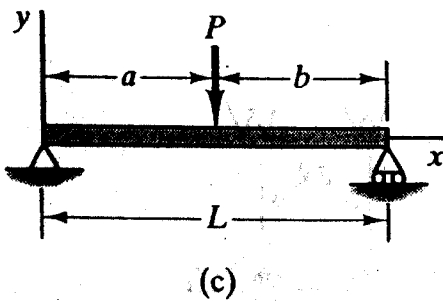
Figure 5



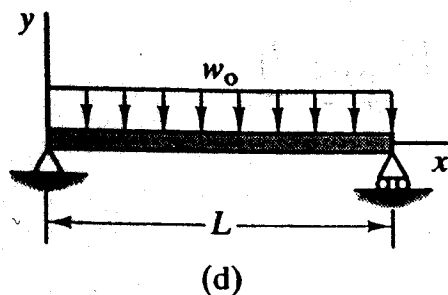
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq x \leq 0 \\ v = \frac{P}{6EI} (x^3 - 3x^2a) \\ a \leq x \leq L \\ v = \frac{P}{6EI} [-(x-a)^3 + x^3 - 3x^2a] \end{array} \right\}$$



$$v = \frac{w_0 x^2}{24EI} (-x^2 - 6L^2 + 4Lx)$$



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq x \leq a \\ v = \frac{Pb}{6LEI} [x^3 - (L^2 - b^2)x] \\ 0 \leq x \leq L \\ v = \frac{Pb}{6LEI} \left[ x^3 - \frac{L}{b} (x-a)^3 - (L^2 - b^2)x \right] \end{array} \right\}$$



$$v = \frac{w_0 x}{24EI} (-L^3 + 2Lx^2 - x^3)$$

Figure 12.11. Deflection formulas for simple beam loadings.