



# **Mechanics of Thin-walled Structures**

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1. Basic concepts of mechanics of structures
  - a. Stress
  - b. Strain
  - c. Moment of inertia
    - i. First (static) moment of area (static)
    - ii. Second moment of area (inertia)
  
2. Thin-walled structures introduction

### 3. Beams

#### a. Bending of beams

i. Shear centre

ii. Open section beams

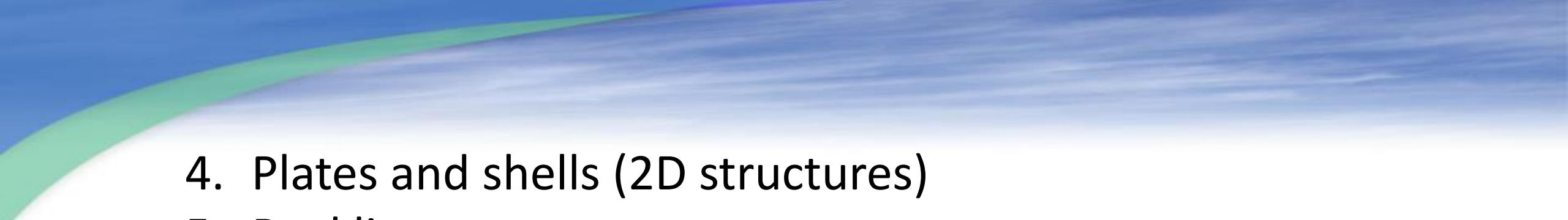
- First (static) moment of inertia approach
- Function approach

iii. Closed section beams

#### b. Torsion of beams

i. Free torsion

ii. Constrained torsion

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4. Plates and shells (2D structures)
  5. Buckling
    - a. Analytical approach
    - b. Energy approach
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    - d. Buckling of plates
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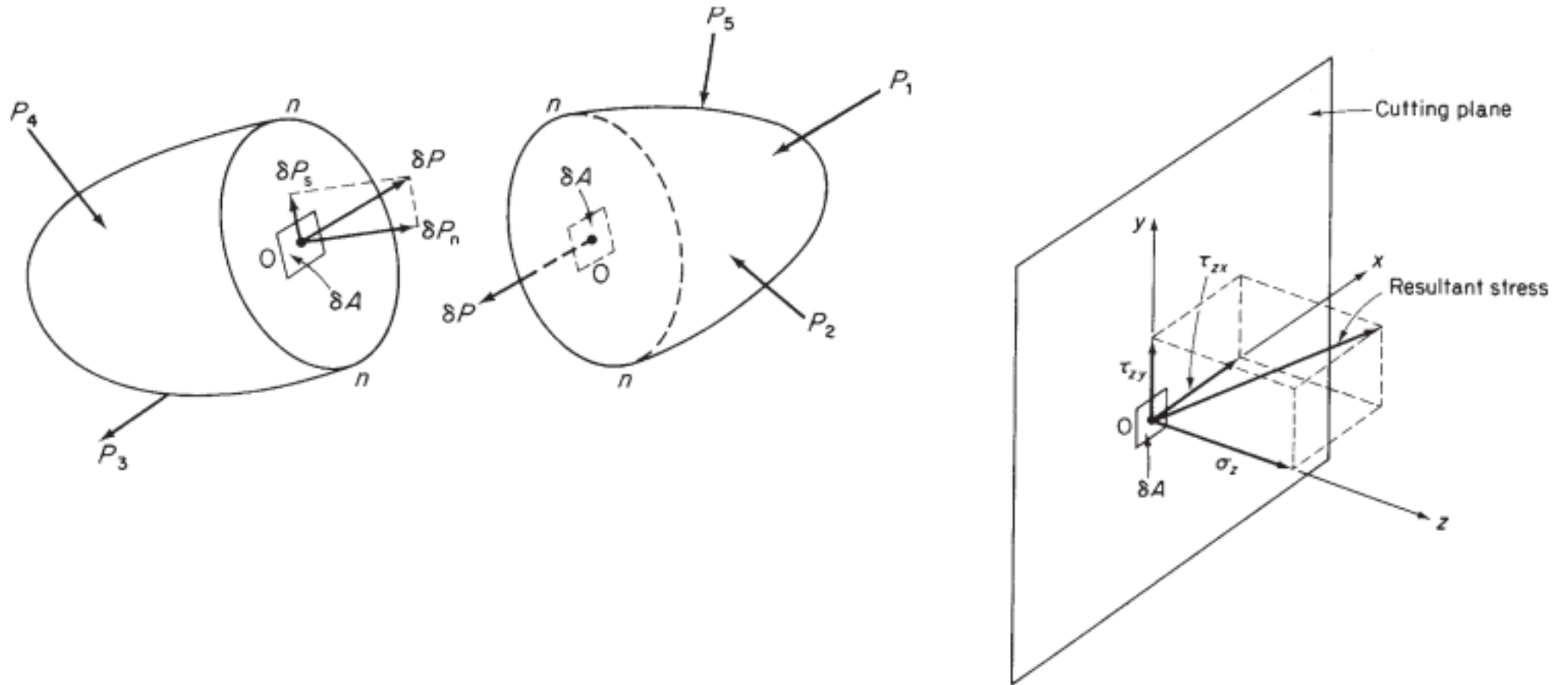


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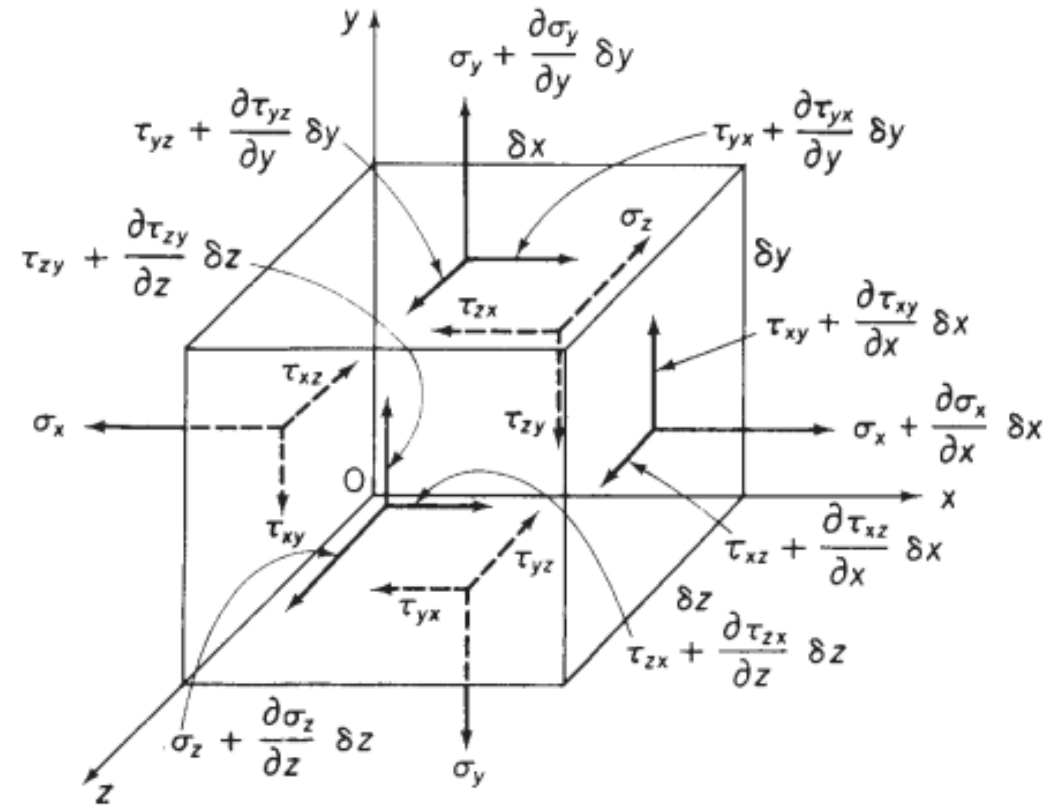
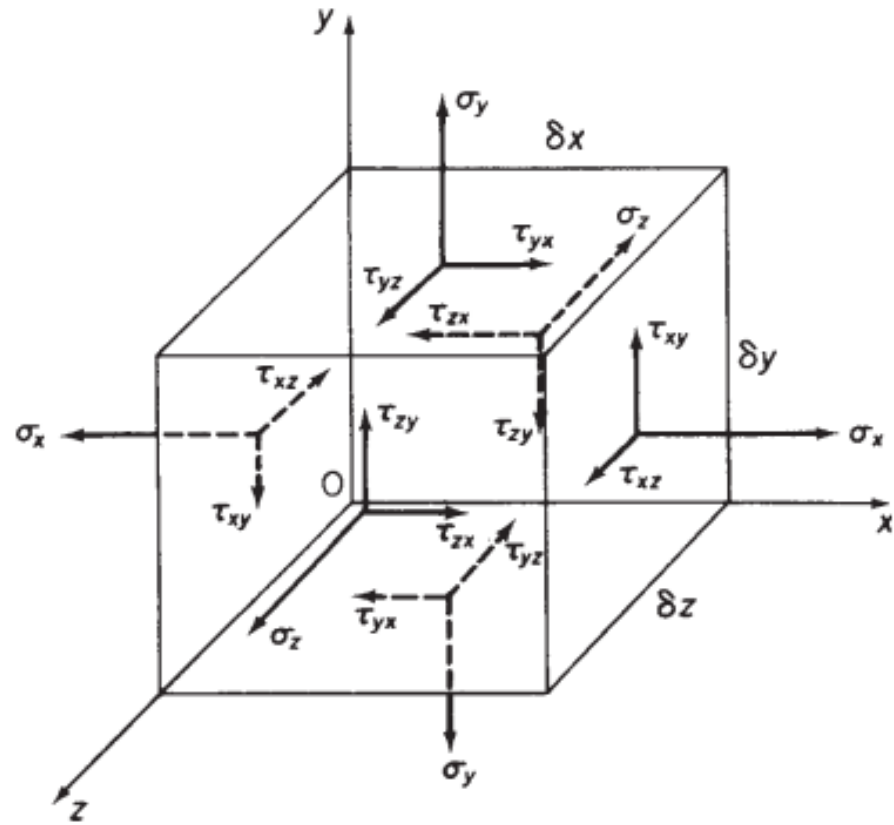


# **Stress, Strain, Hooke`s law moments of Area**

# State of stress



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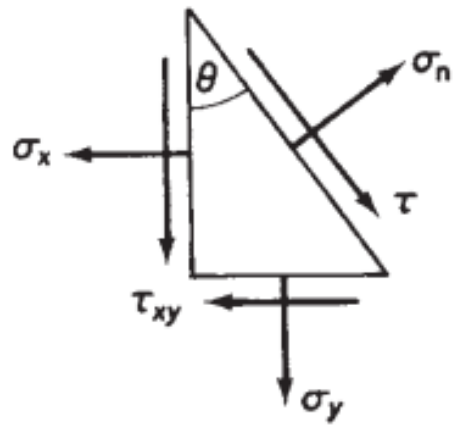


## State of stress

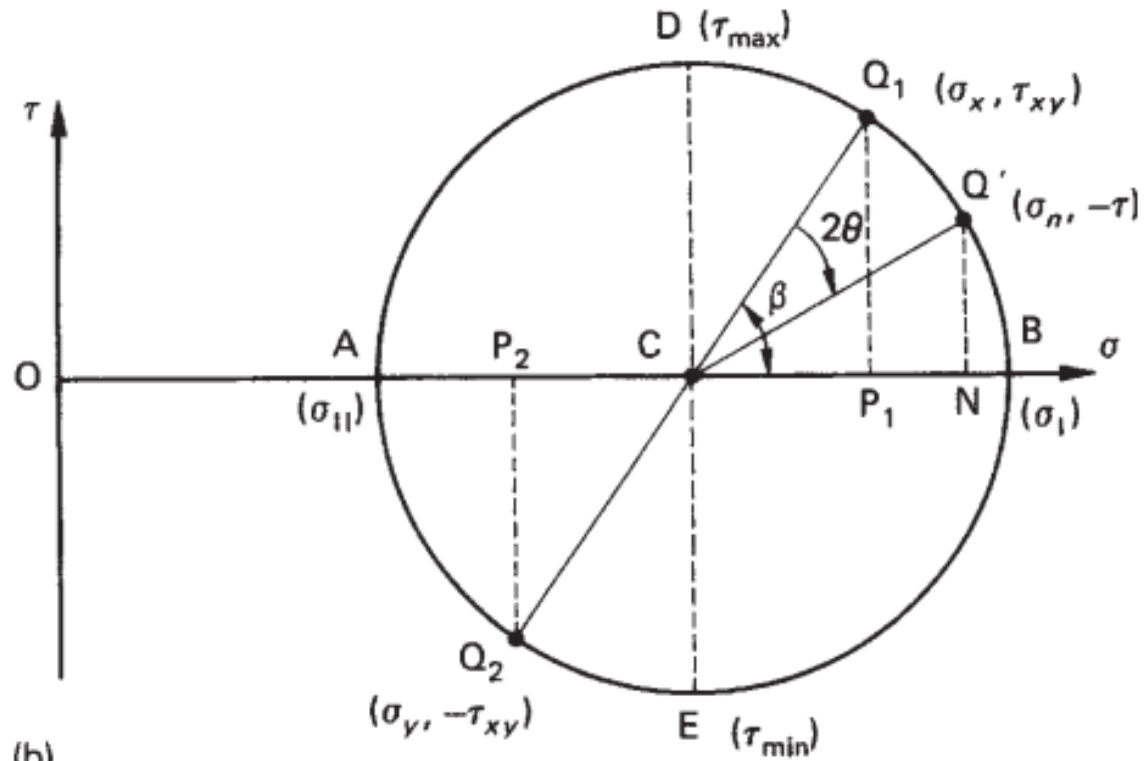
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \sigma_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z} + X &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \sigma_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial z} + Y &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \sigma_z}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zy}}{\partial y} + Z &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

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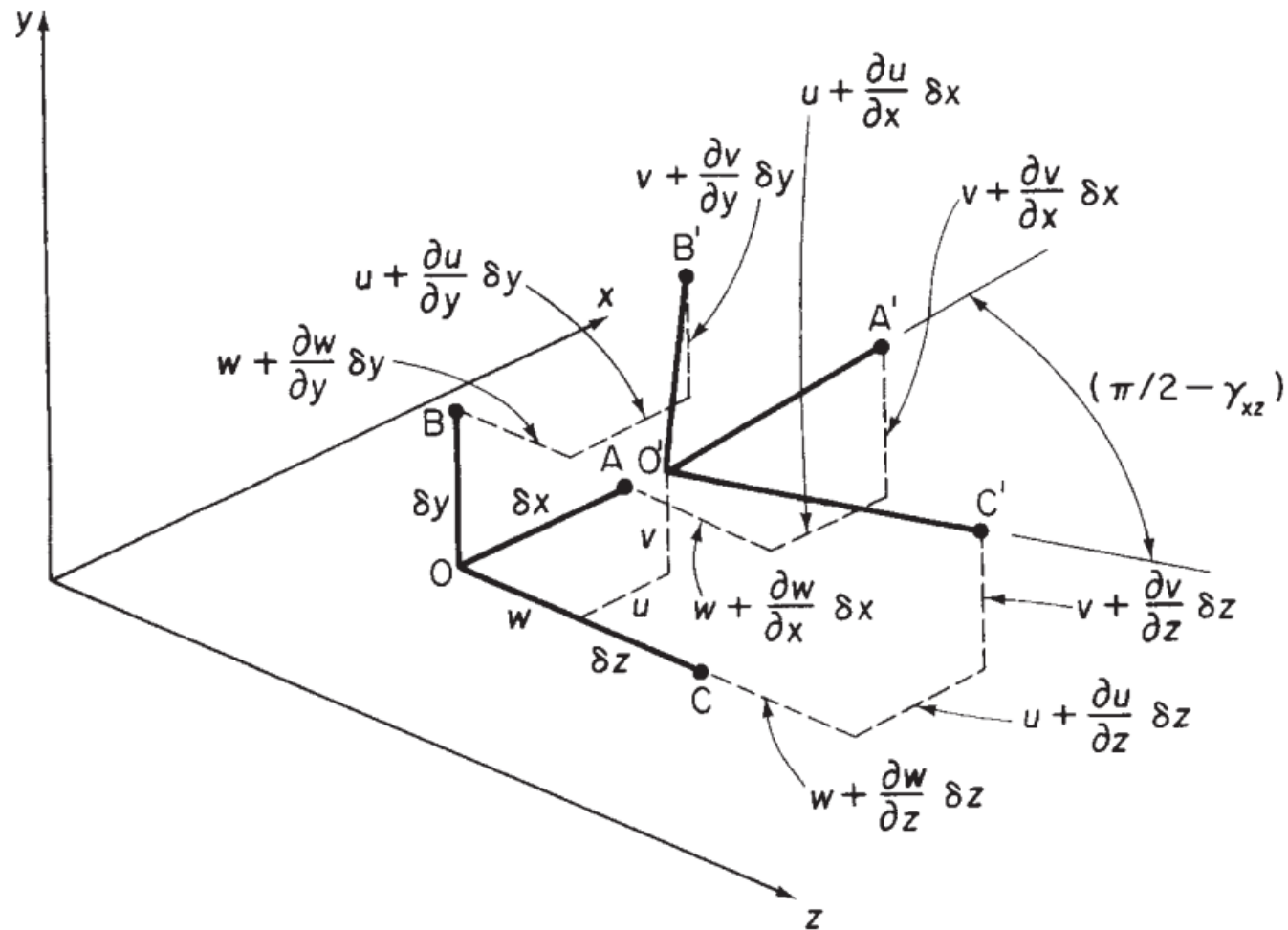


(a)



(b)

# State of strain



## State of strain

$$\varepsilon = \lim_{L \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta L}{L}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \varepsilon_x &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \\ \varepsilon_y &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \\ \varepsilon_z &= \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \gamma_{xz} &= \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \\ \gamma_{xy} &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \gamma_{yz} &= \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

# Stress – strain relations

## 1-D case

$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{\sigma_x}{E} \quad \varepsilon_y = -\nu \frac{\sigma_x}{E} \quad \varepsilon_z = -\nu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$$

# Stress – strain relations

## 3-D case

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \varepsilon_x &= \frac{1}{E}[\sigma_x - \nu(\sigma_y + \sigma_z)] \\ \varepsilon_y &= \frac{1}{E}[\sigma_y - \nu(\sigma_x + \sigma_z)] \\ \varepsilon_z &= \frac{1}{E}[\sigma_z - \nu(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)] \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_x &= \frac{\nu E}{(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)} e + \frac{E}{(1 + \nu)} \varepsilon_x \\ \sigma_y &= \frac{\nu E}{(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)} e + \frac{E}{(1 + \nu)} \varepsilon_y \\ \sigma_z &= \frac{\nu E}{(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)} e + \frac{E}{(1 + \nu)} \varepsilon_z \end{aligned}$$

$$e = \varepsilon_x + \varepsilon_y + \varepsilon_z$$

# Stress – strain relations

## 2-D case

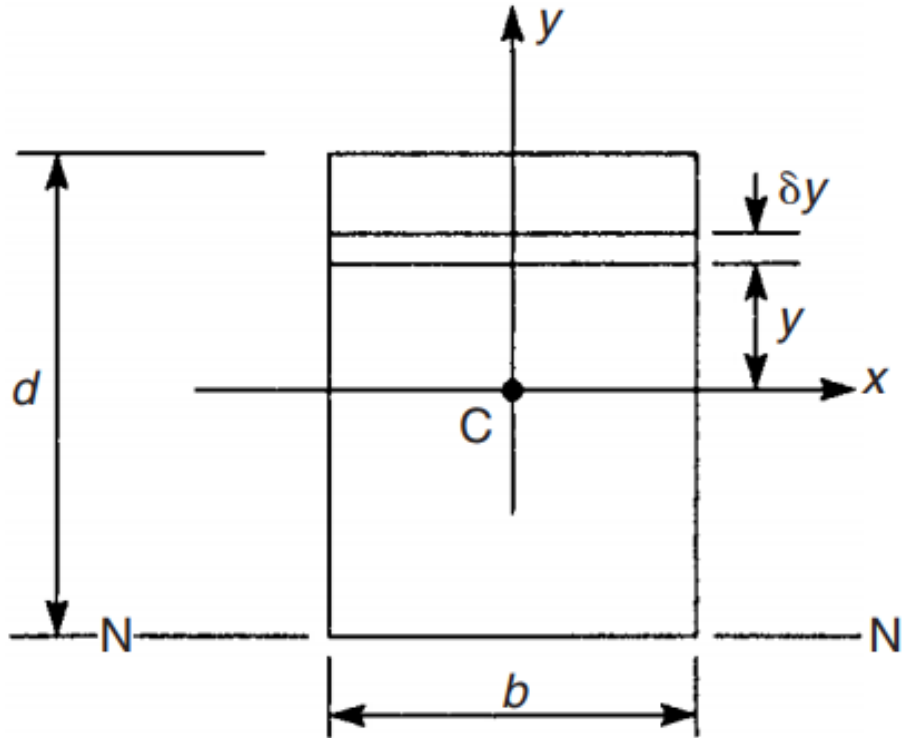
$$\sigma_x = \frac{E}{1 - \nu^2} (\varepsilon_x + \nu \varepsilon_y)$$

$$\sigma_y = \frac{E}{1 - \nu^2} (\varepsilon_y + \nu \varepsilon_x)$$

$$\gamma = \tau / G$$

$$\gamma = \frac{2(1 + \nu)}{E} \tau$$

## Second moment of area

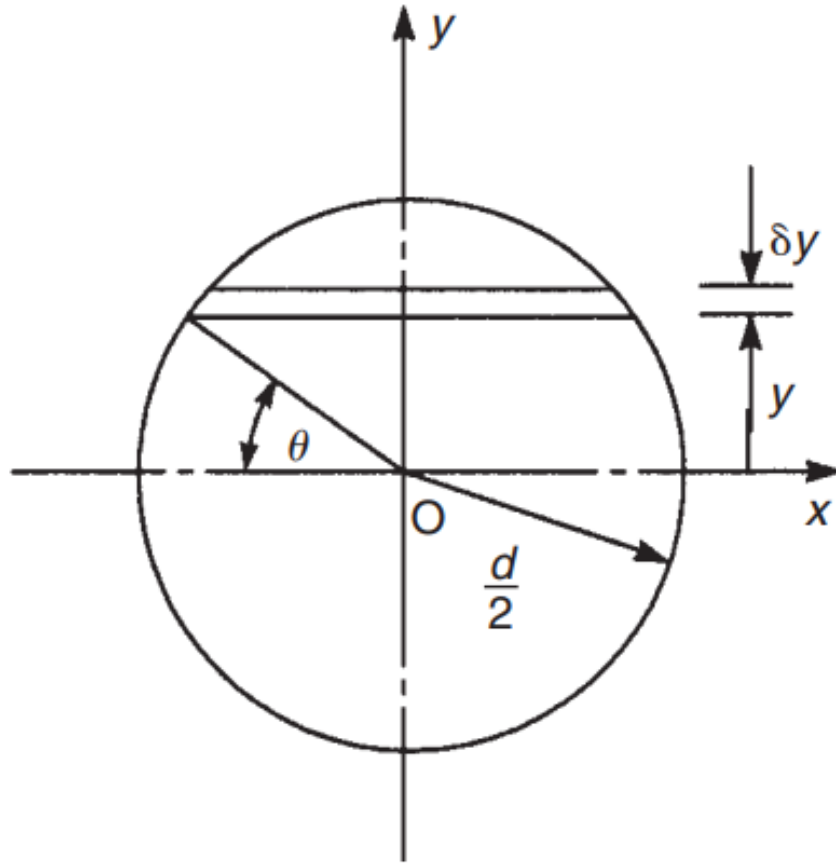


$$I_{xx} = \int_A y^2 dA = \int_{-d/2}^{d/2} by^2 dy = b \left[ \frac{y^3}{3} \right]_{-d/2}^{d/2}$$

$$I_{xx} = \frac{bd^3}{12}$$



## Second moment of area



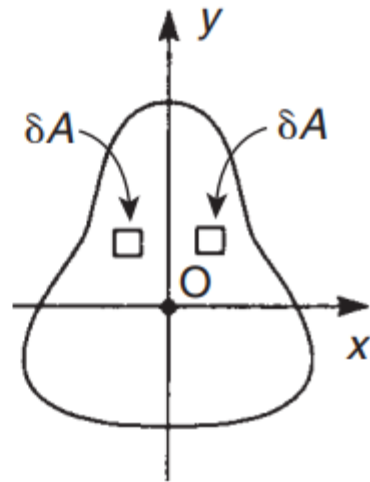
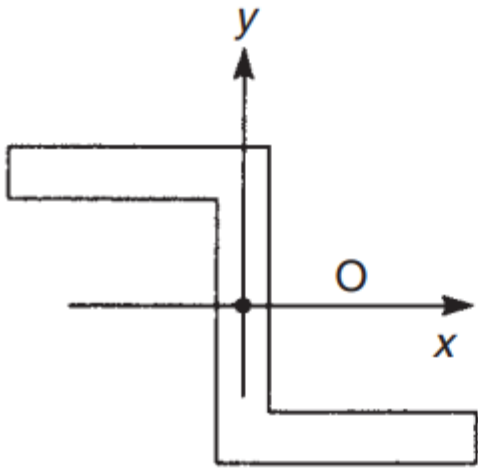
$$I_{xx} = \int_A y^2 dA = \int_{-d/2}^{d/2} 2 \left( \frac{d}{2} \cos \theta \right) y^2 dy$$

$$I_{xx} = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d \cos \theta \left( \frac{d}{2} \sin \theta \right)^2 \frac{d}{2} \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$I_{xx} = \frac{d^4}{8} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta d\theta$$

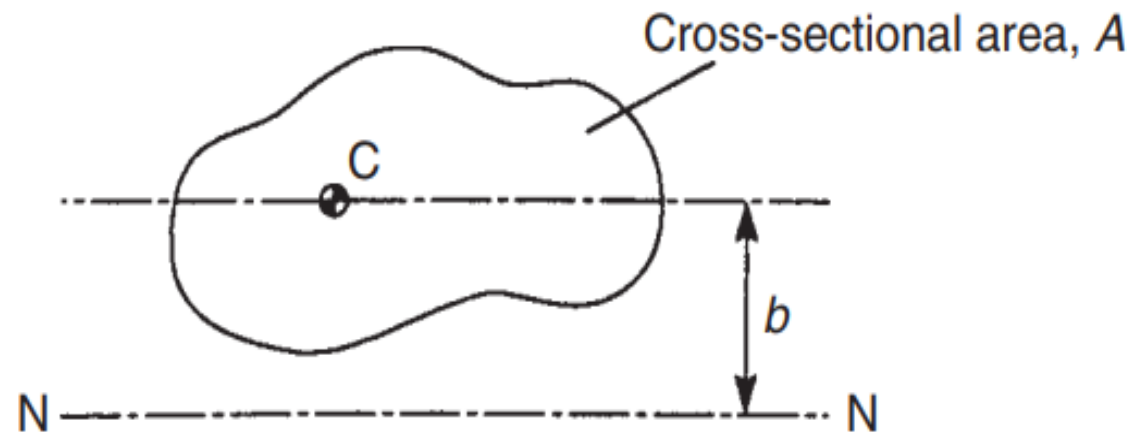
$$I_{xx} = \frac{\pi d^4}{64}$$

# Product second moment of area



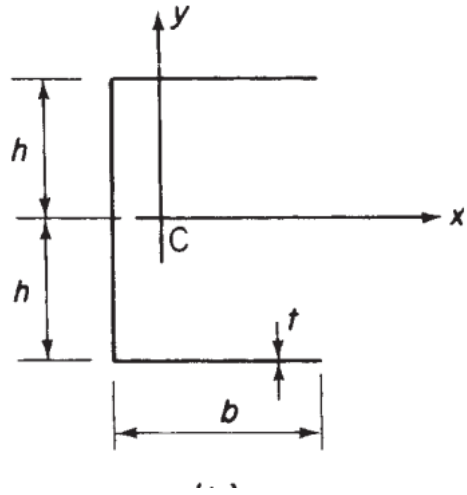
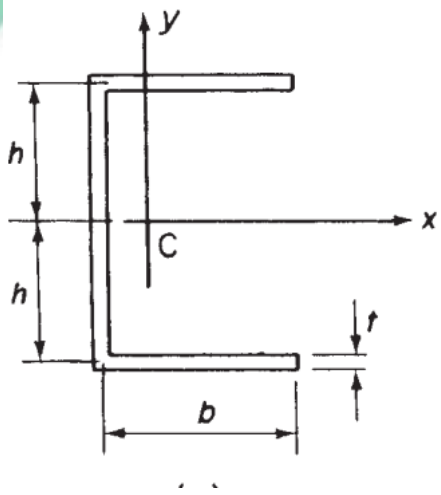
$$I_{xy} = \int_A xy \, dA$$

## Parallel axes theorem (Steiner principle)



$$I_N = I_C + Ab^2$$

## Aproximations for Thin-Walled sections

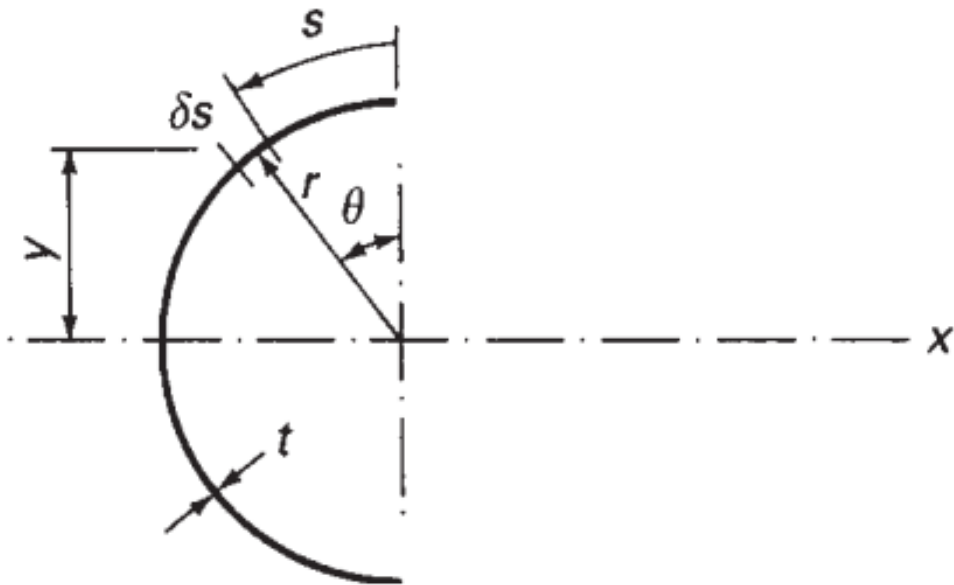


$$I_{xx} = 2 \left[ \frac{(b + t/2)t^3}{12} + \left(b + \frac{t}{2}\right) th^2 \right] + t \frac{[2(h - t/2)]^3}{12}$$

$$I_{xx} = 2 \left[ \frac{(b + t/2)t^3}{12} + \left(b + \frac{t}{2}\right) th^2 \right] + \frac{t}{12} \left[ (2)^3 \left( h^3 - 3h^2 \frac{t}{2} + 3h \frac{t^2}{4} - \frac{t^3}{8} \right) \right]$$

$$I_{xx} = 2bth^2 + t \frac{(2h)^3}{12}$$

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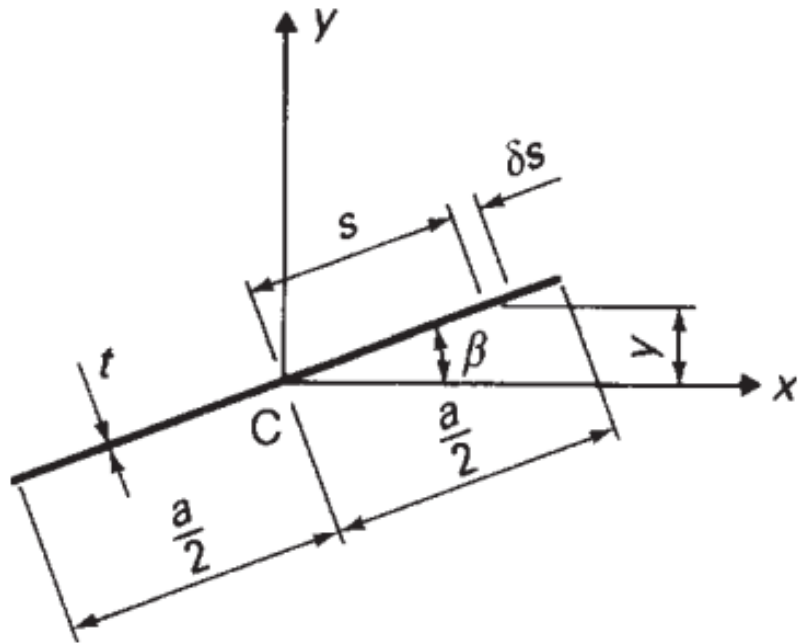


$$I_{xx} = \int_0^{\pi r} ty^2 ds$$

$$I_{xx} = \int_0^{\pi} t(r \cos \theta)^2 r d\theta$$

$$I_{xx} = \frac{\pi r^3 t}{2}$$

## Thin-Walled sections – inclined walls



$$I_{xx} = 2 \int_0^{a/2} ty^2 ds = 2 \int_0^{a/2} t(s \sin \beta)^2 ds$$

$$I_{xx} = \frac{a^3 t \sin^2 \beta}{12}$$

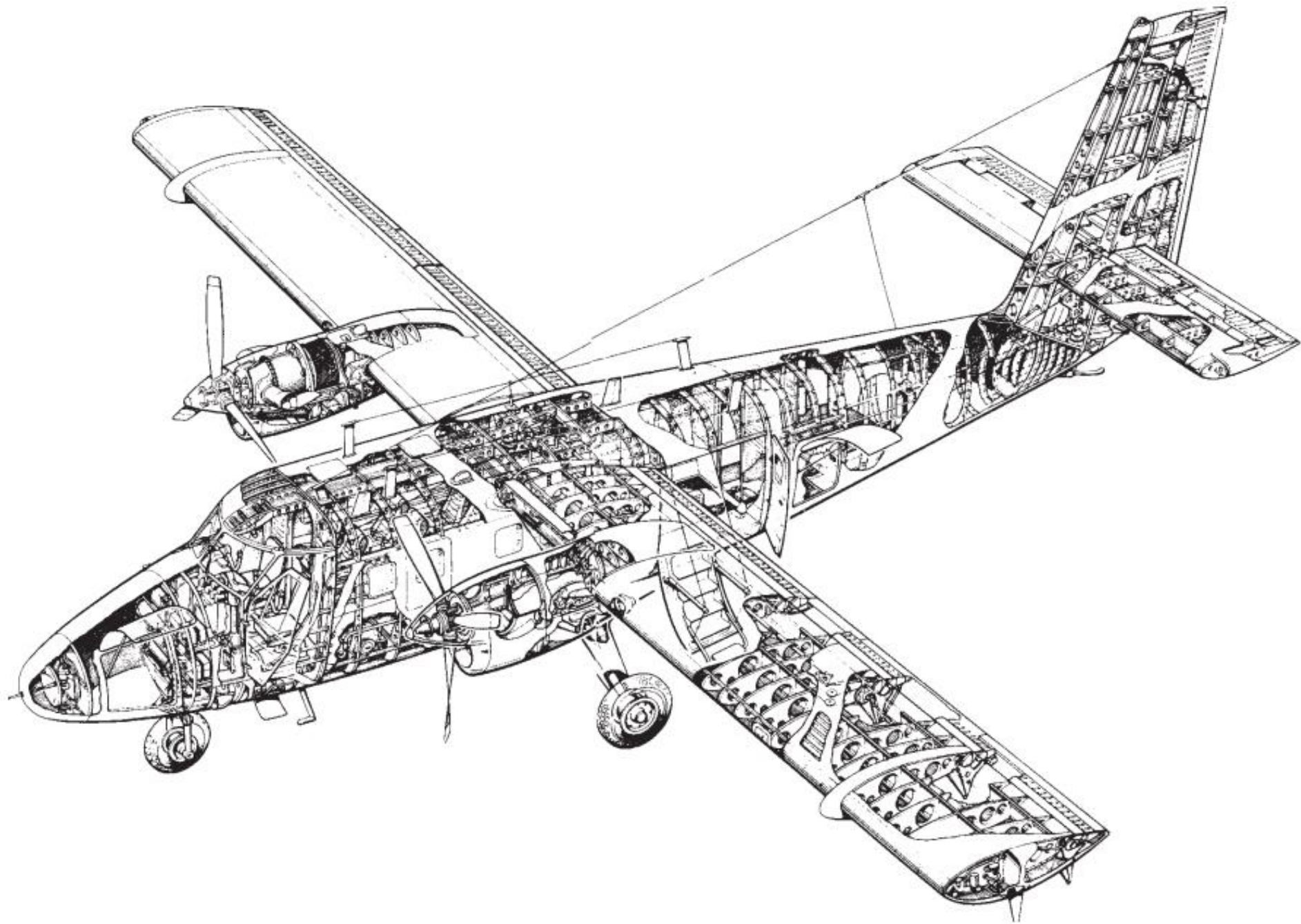
$$I_{yy} = \frac{a^3 t \cos^2 \beta}{12}$$

$$I_{xy} = \frac{a^3 t \sin 2\beta}{24}$$

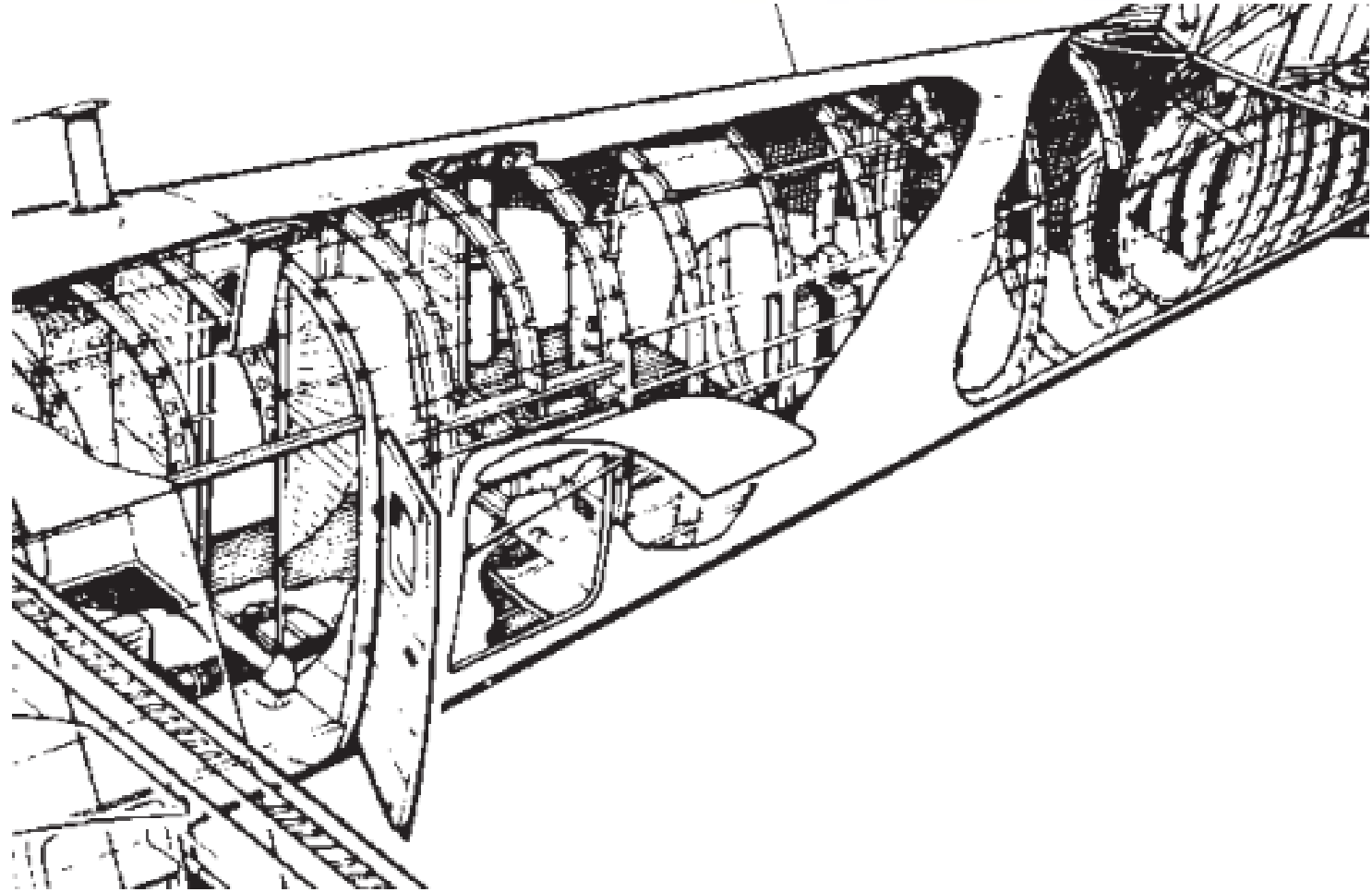
# **Thin-walled Structures**

## **Idealization and modelling**

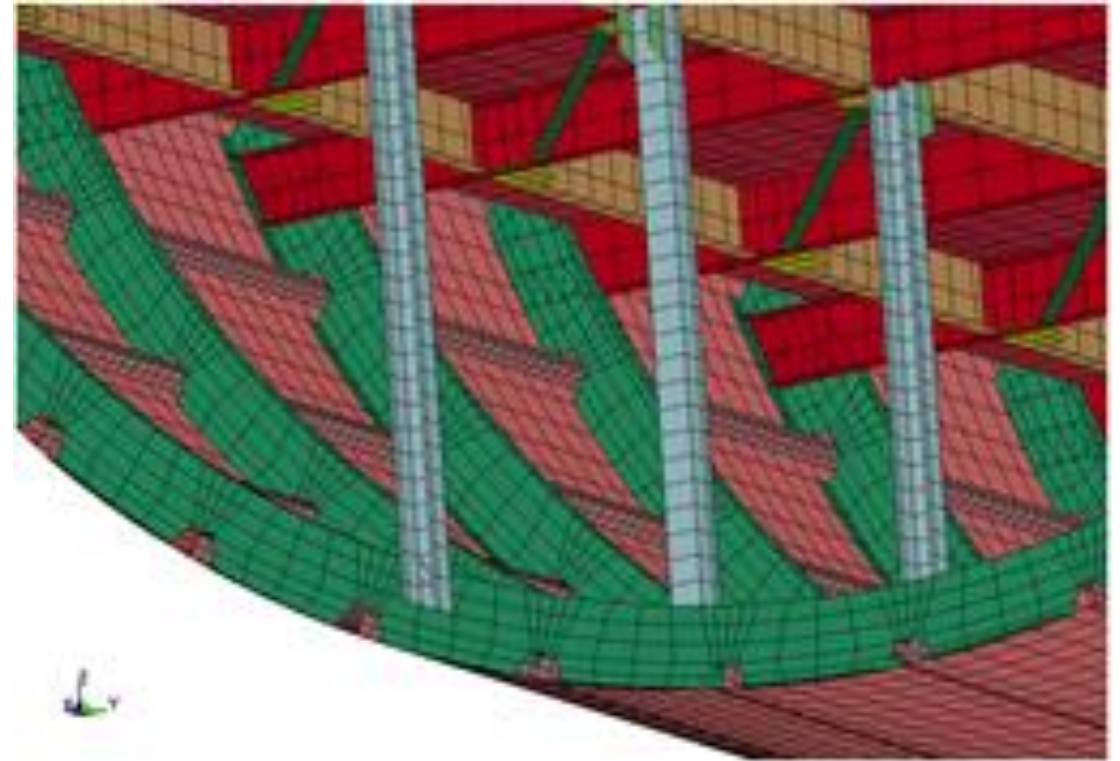
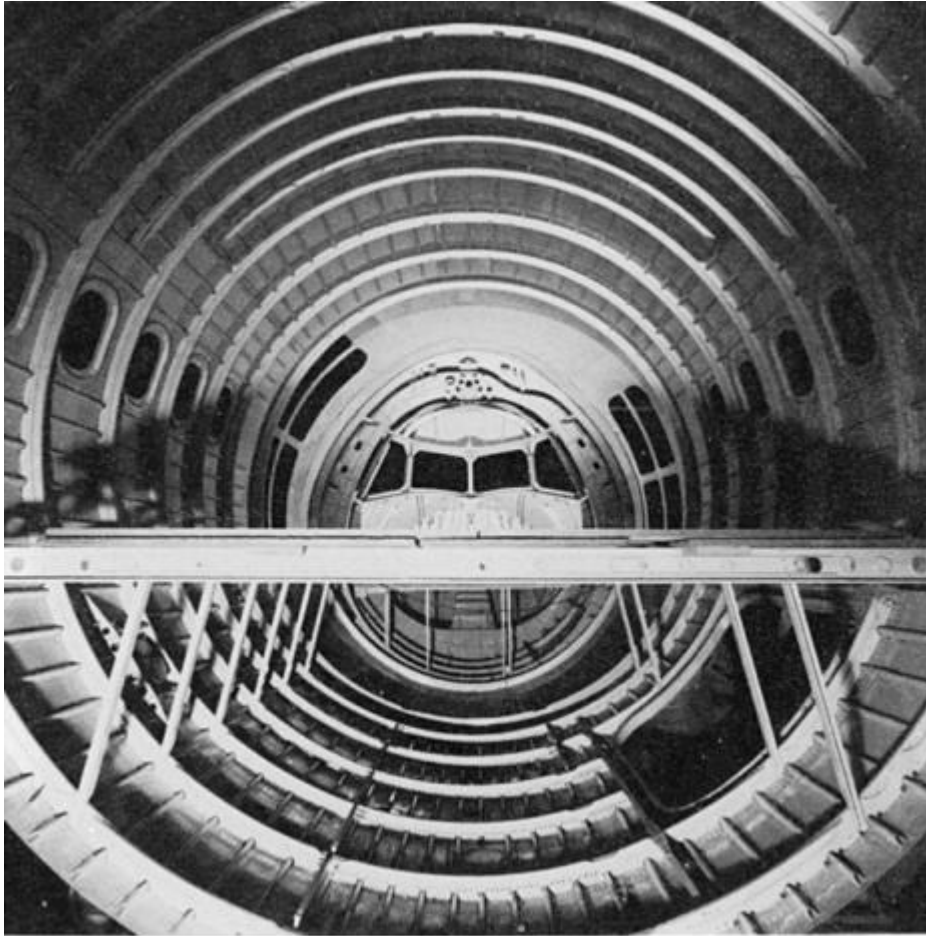




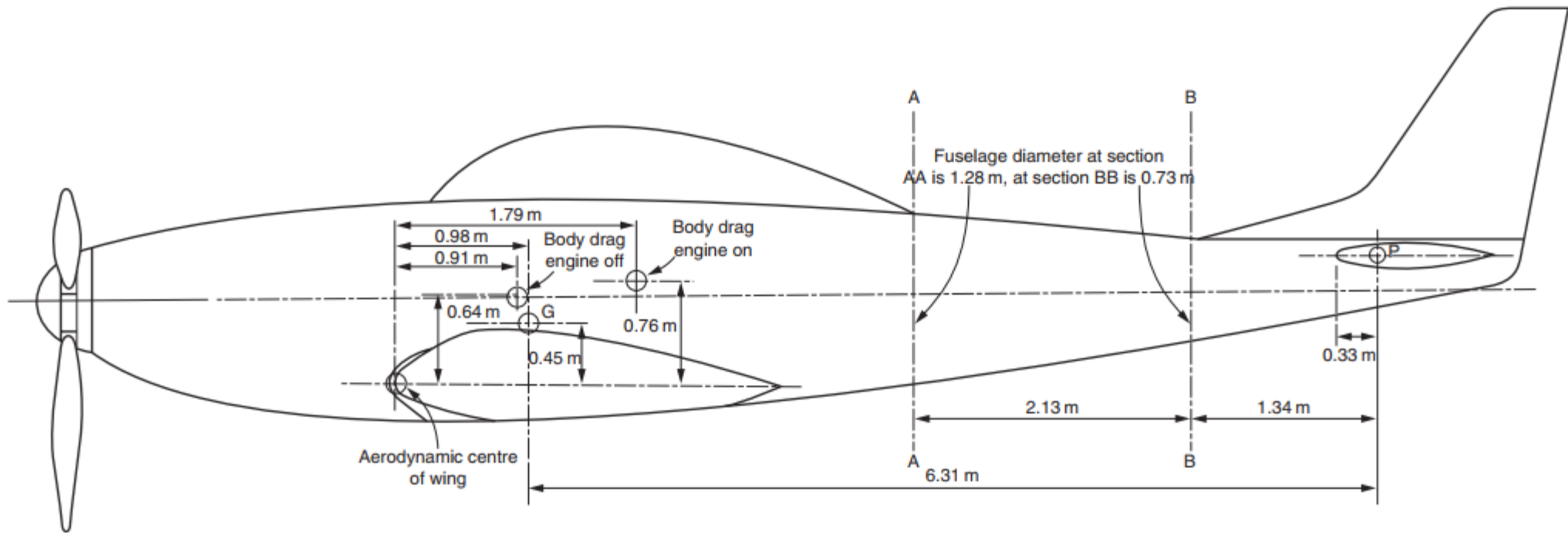




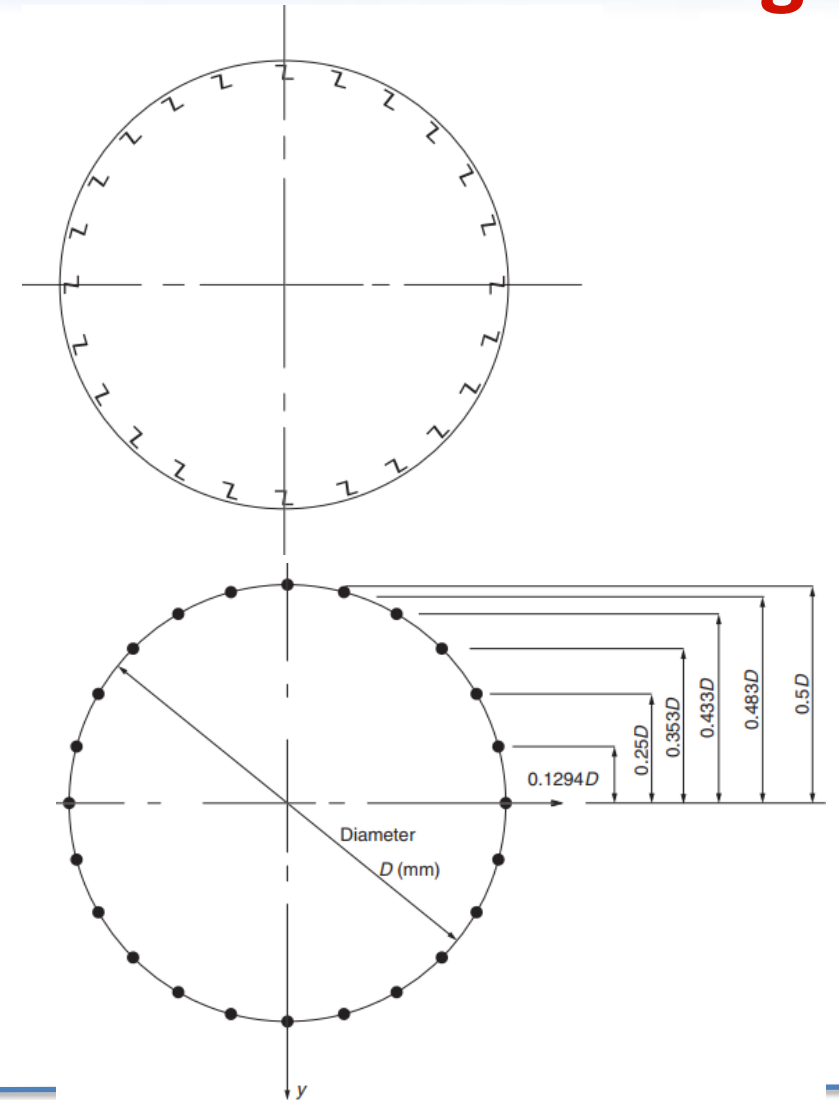
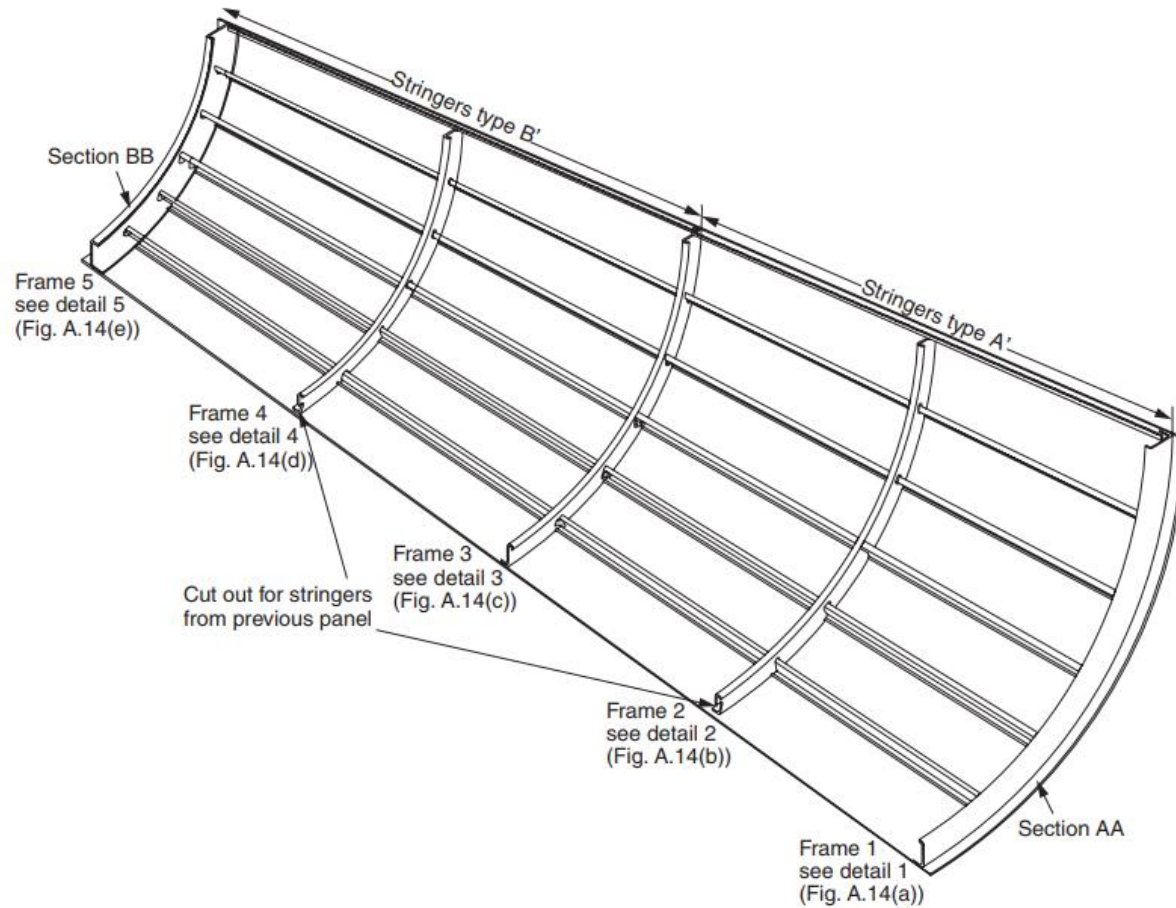
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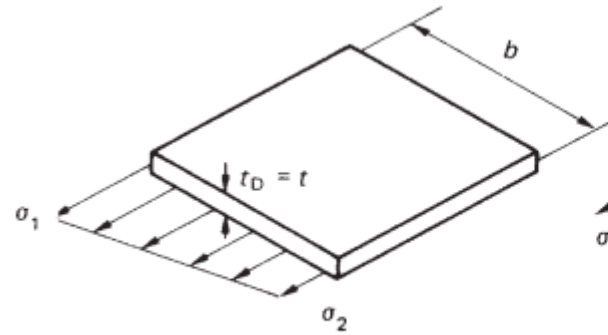
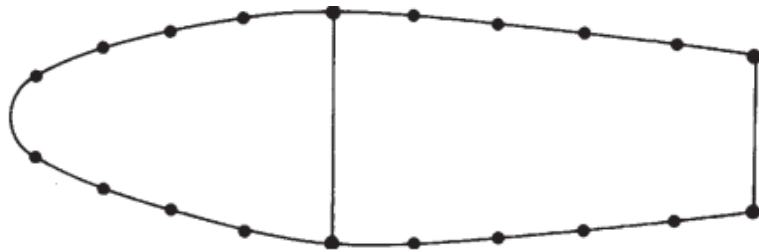
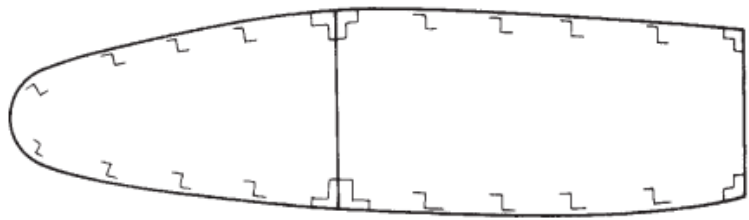


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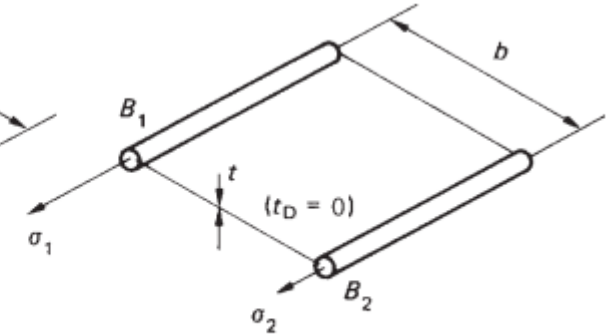




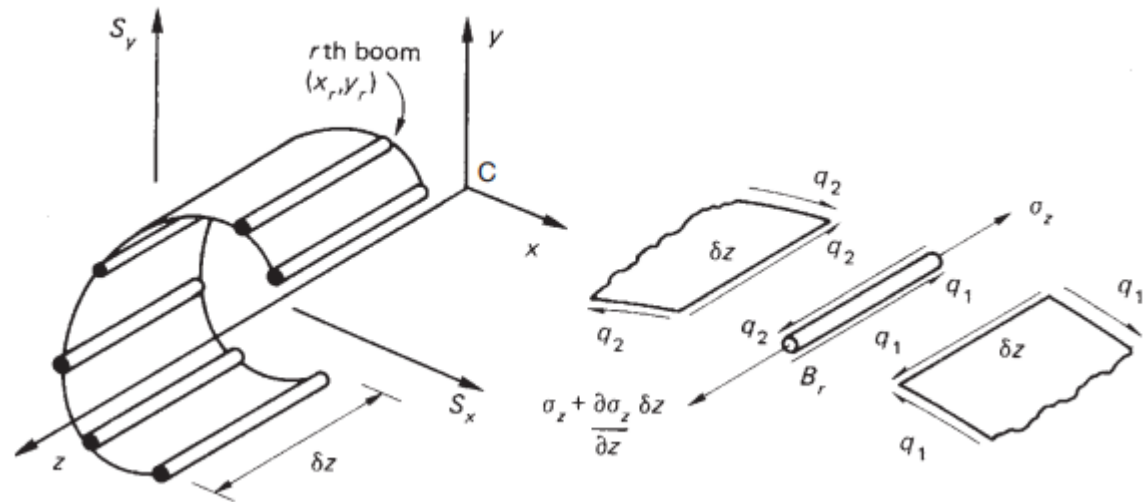
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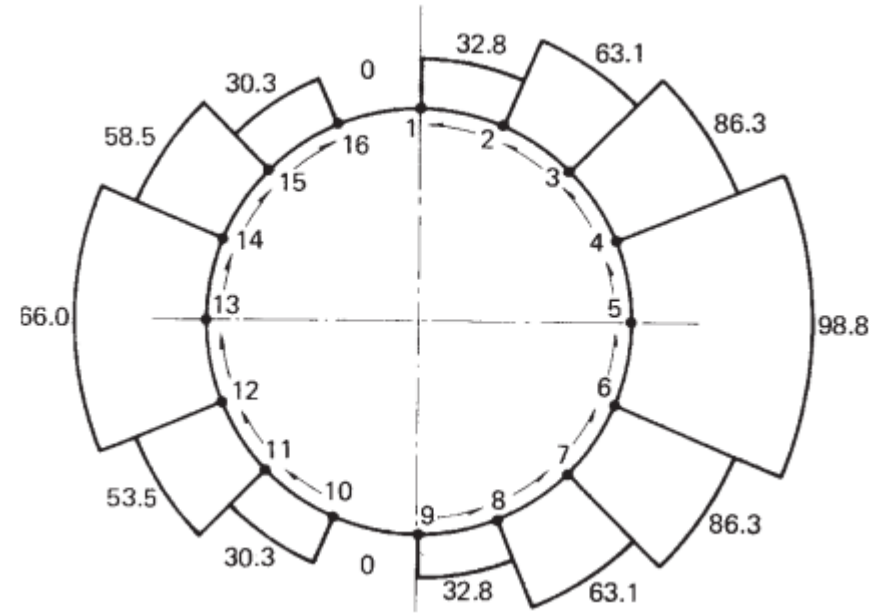
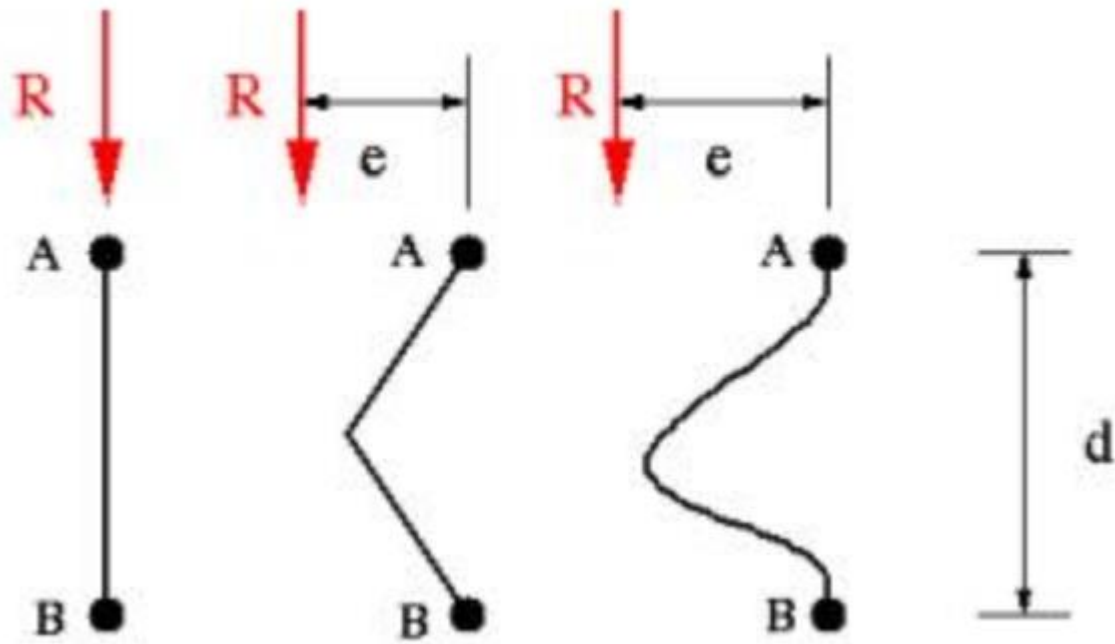
(a) Actual



(b) Idealized



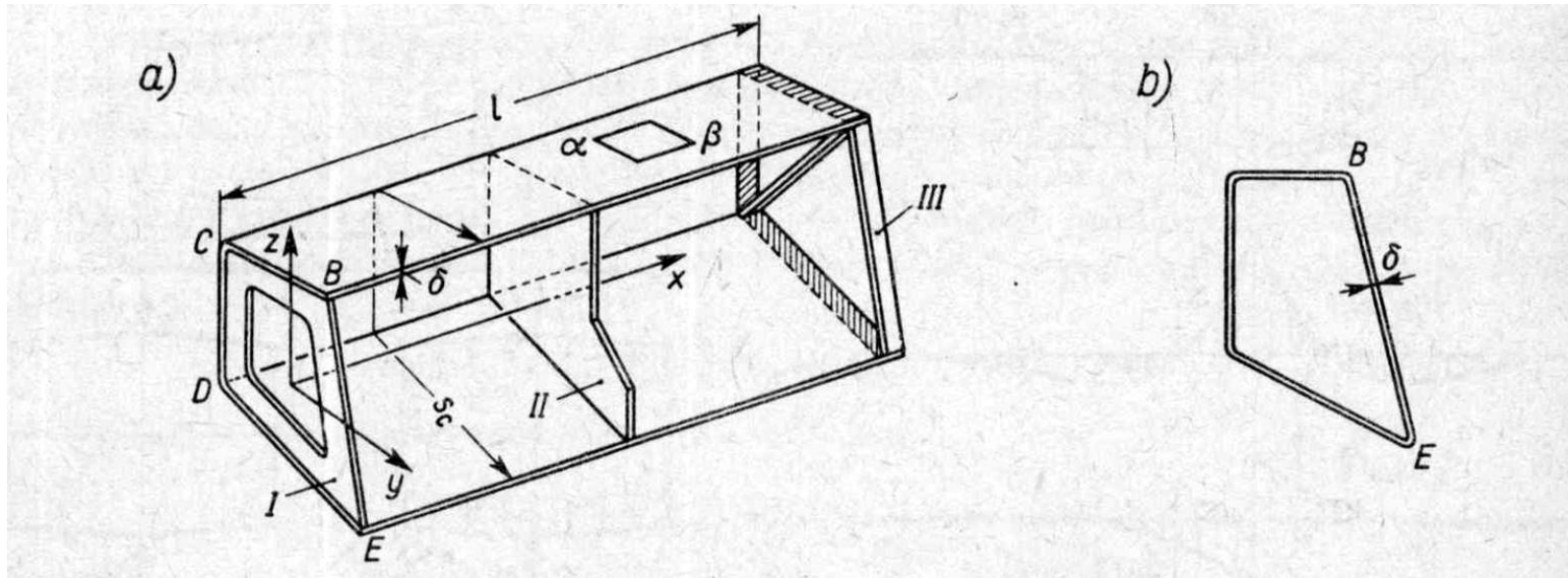
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## Assumptions:

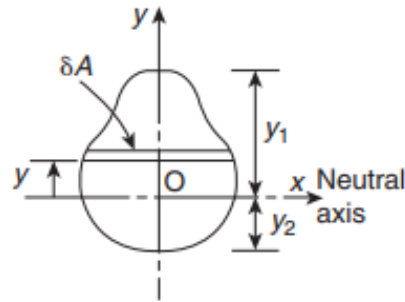
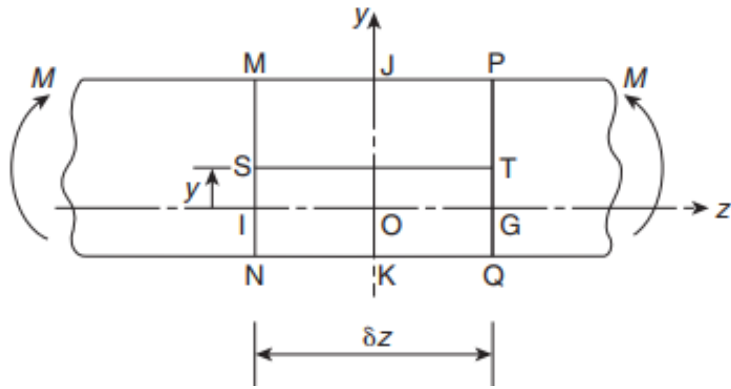
- beam
- thin-walled
- CSRD



**Beams – bending**  
**(any section, any shape, any thickness)**



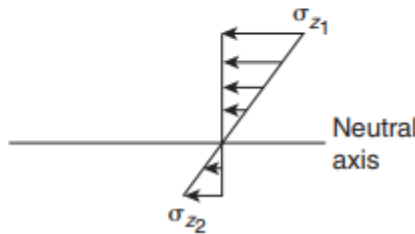
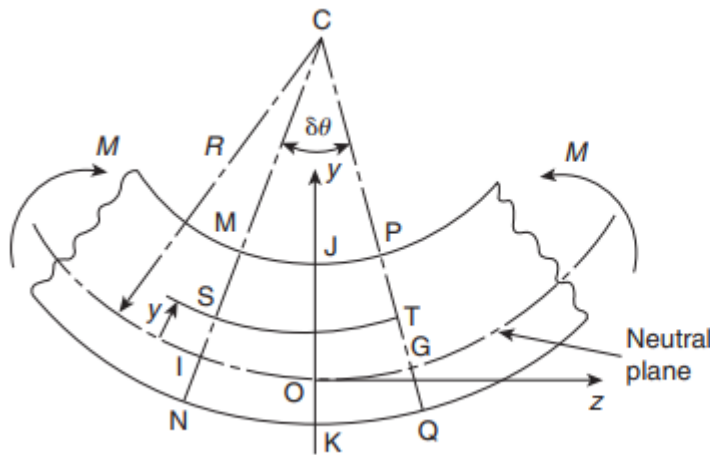
# Bending of open and closed, thin-walled beams



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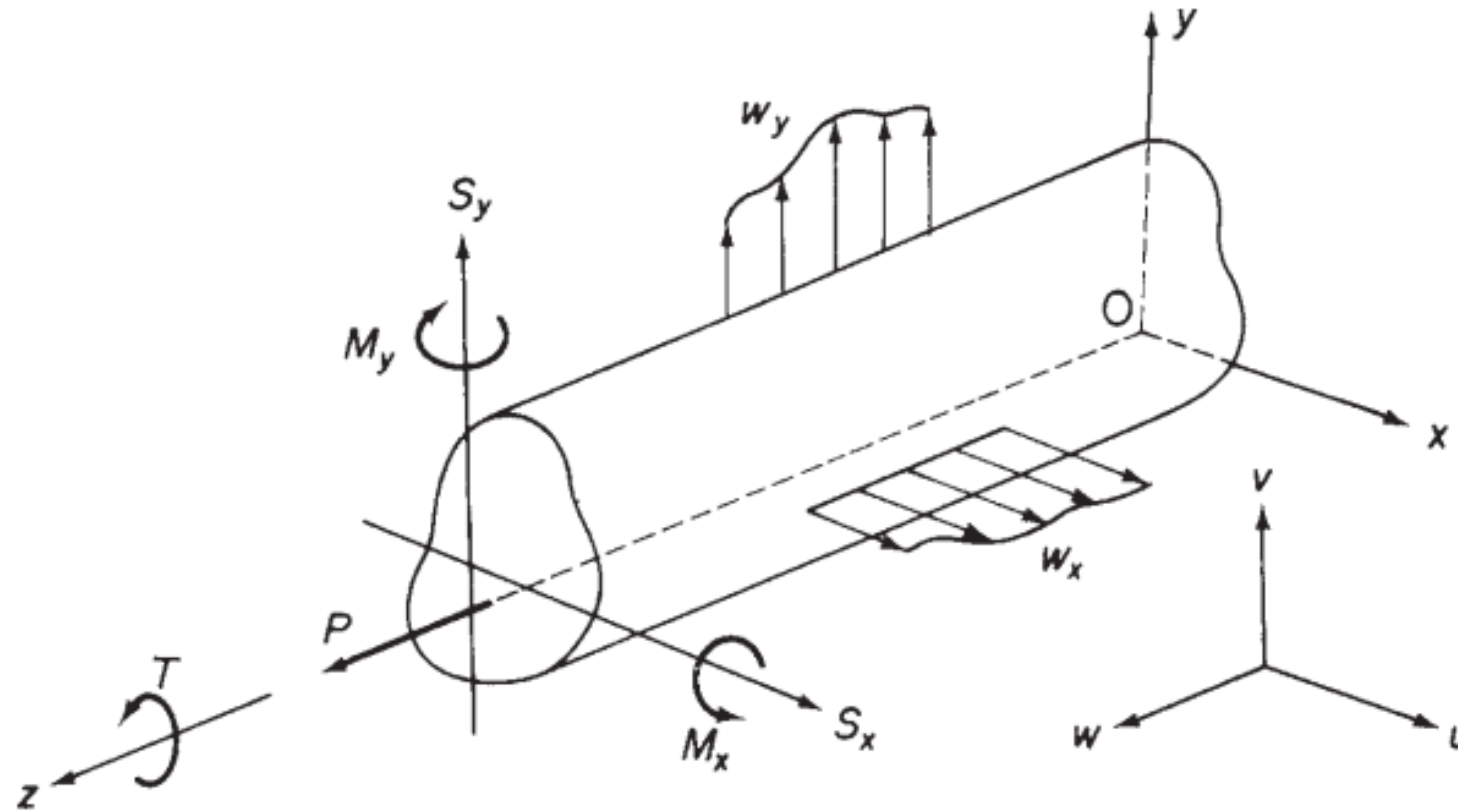
Plane section

Kirchhoff assumption



# Bending of open and closed, thin-walled beams

## SIGN convention

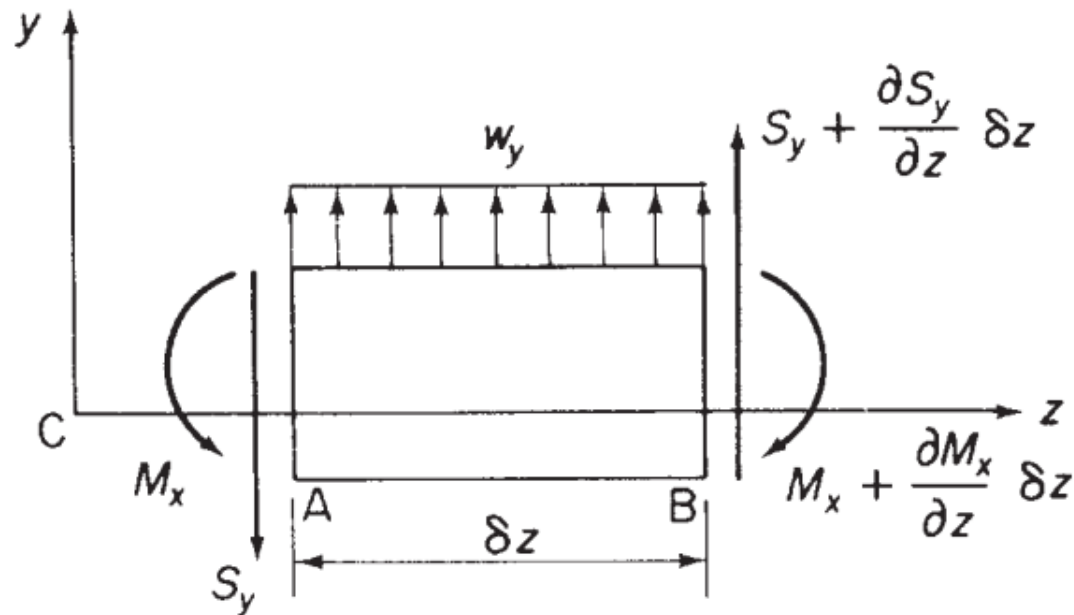


## Bending of open and closed, thin-walled beams

$$\sigma_z = \left( \frac{M_y I_{xx} - M_x I_{xy}}{I_{xx} I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2} \right) x + \left( \frac{M_x I_{yy} - M_y I_{xy}}{I_{xx} I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2} \right) y$$

$$\sigma_z = \frac{M_x}{I_{xx}} y + \frac{M_y}{I_{yy}} x$$

# Bending of open and closed, thin-walled beams



$$-w_y = \frac{\partial S_y}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial^2 M_x}{\partial z^2}$$

$$-w_x = \frac{\partial S_x}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial^2 M_y}{\partial z^2}$$

# Bending of open and closed, thin-walled beams deflections thru curvatures

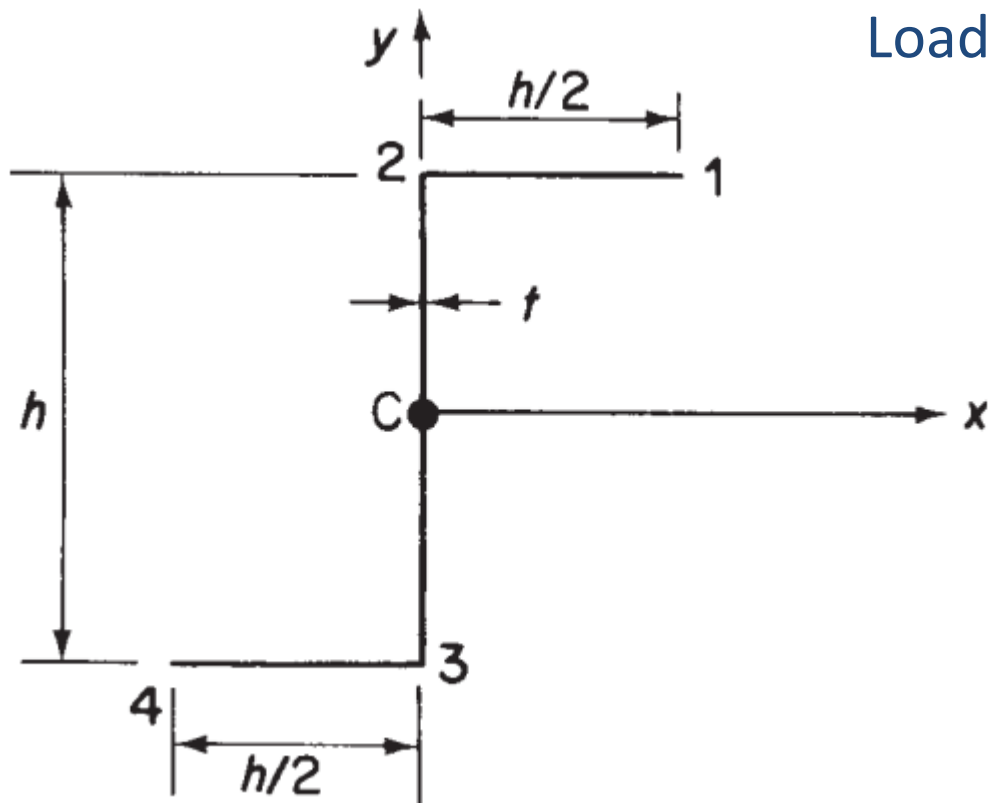
$$\begin{Bmatrix} u'' \\ v'' \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{-1}{E(I_{xx}I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2)} \begin{bmatrix} -I_{xy} & I_{xx} \\ I_{yy} & -I_{xy} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} M_x \\ M_y \end{Bmatrix} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} M_x &= -EI_{xy}u'' - EI_{xx}v'' \\ M_y &= -EI_{yy}u'' - EI_{xy}v'' \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$u'' = -\frac{M_y}{EI_{yy}}, \quad v'' = -\frac{M_x}{EI_{xx}}$$

$$M_y = -EI_{yy}u''$$

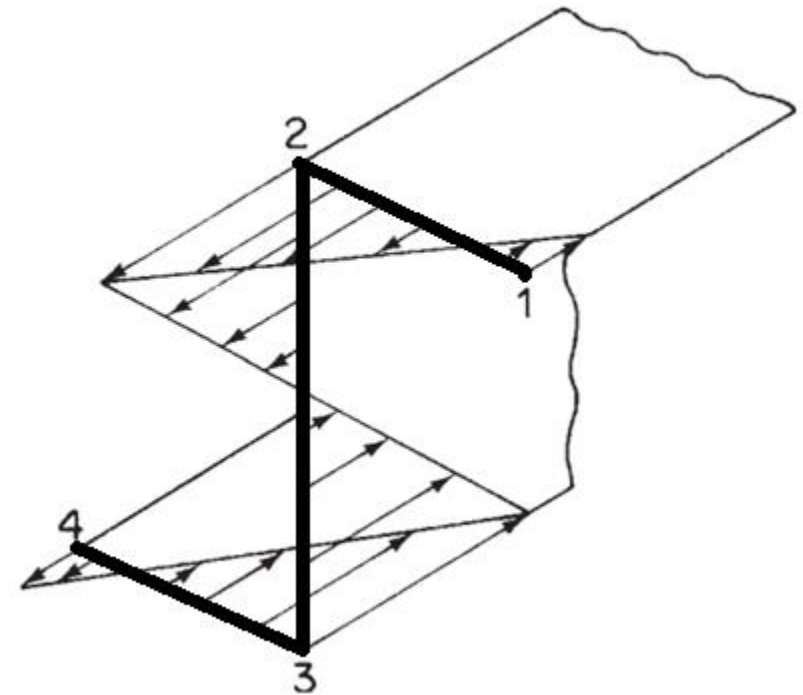


# Bending of open and closed, thin-walled beams



Load: positive  $M_x$

$$\sigma_z = \frac{M_x(I_{yy}y - I_{xy}x)}{I_{xx}I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2}$$

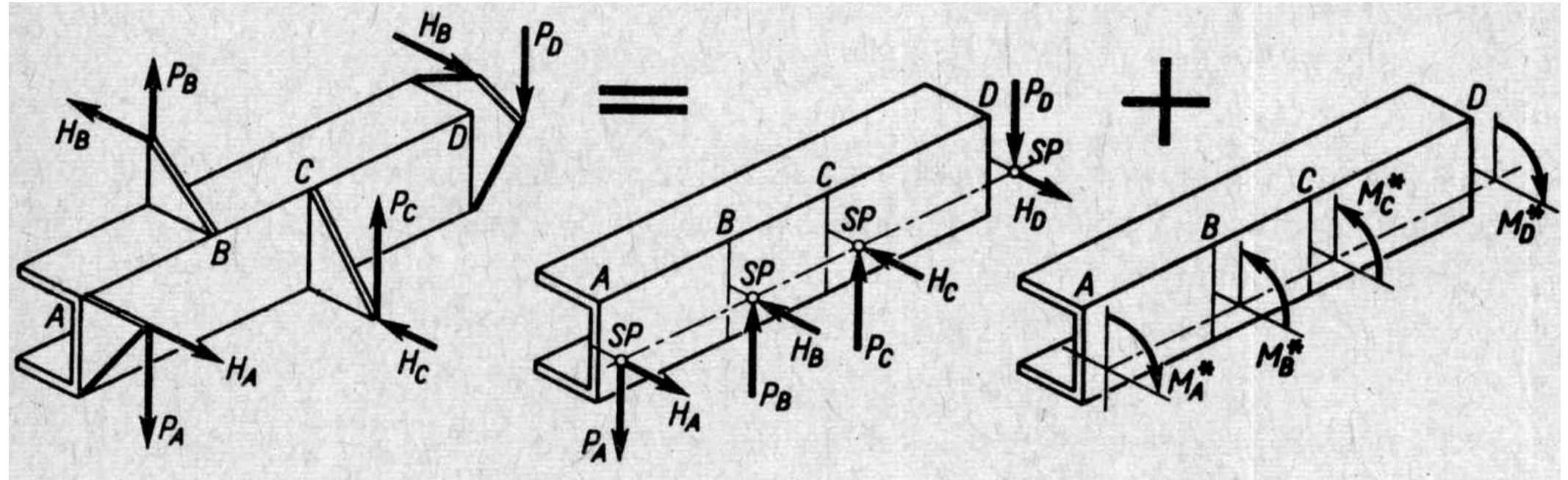


# **Thin-walled beams – bending / shear**

**open section – later generalized for closed section**



# Shear of open thin-walled beams

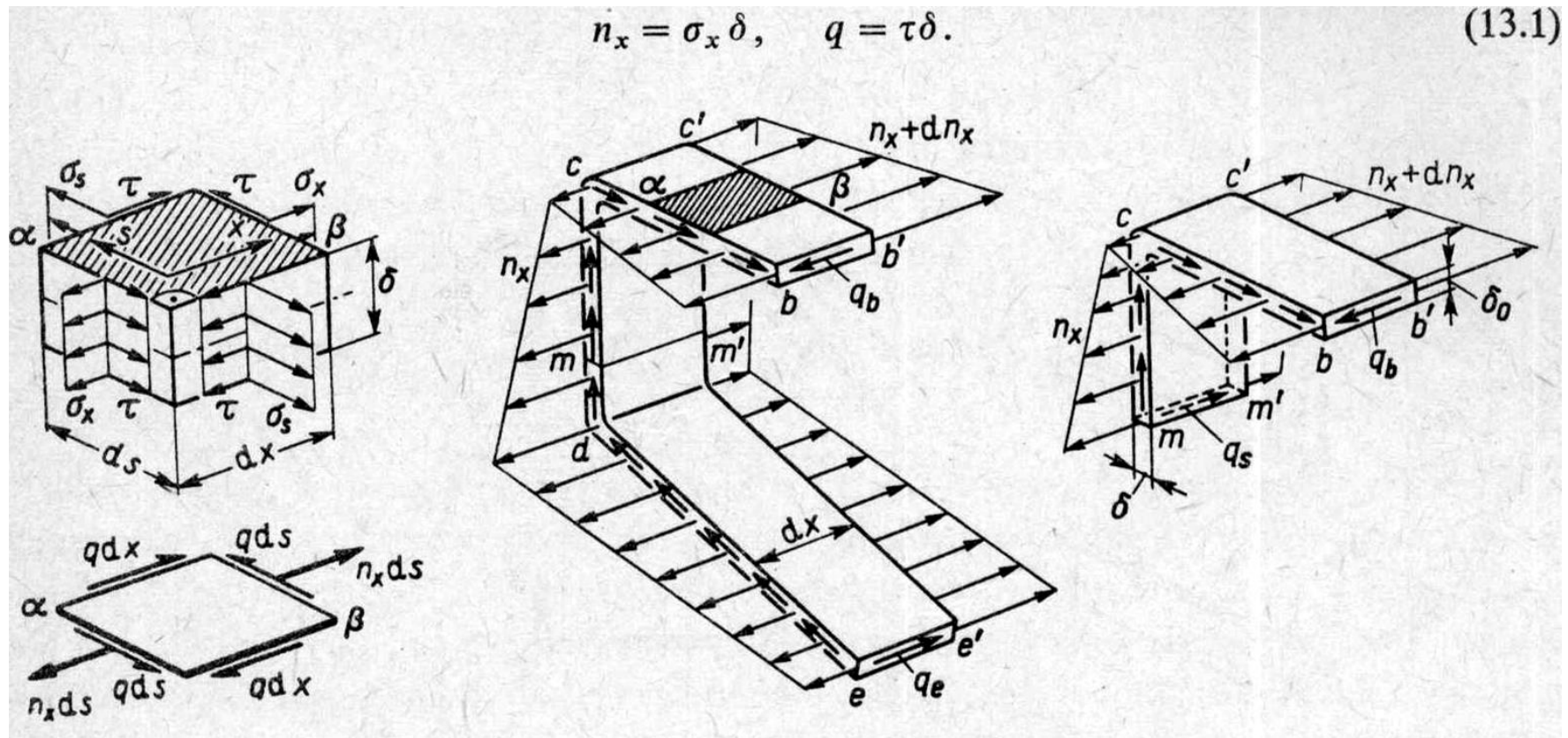


Arbitrary load split into bending/shear PLUS torsion

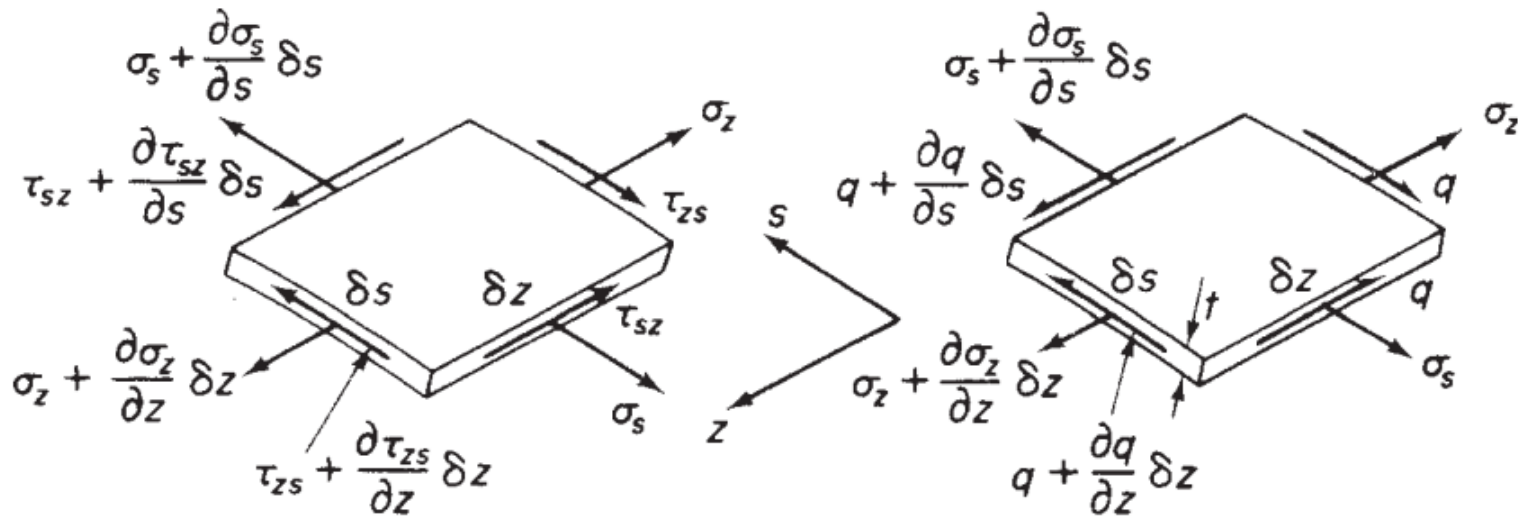
**No torsion = Shear center**



# Shear of open thin-walled beams



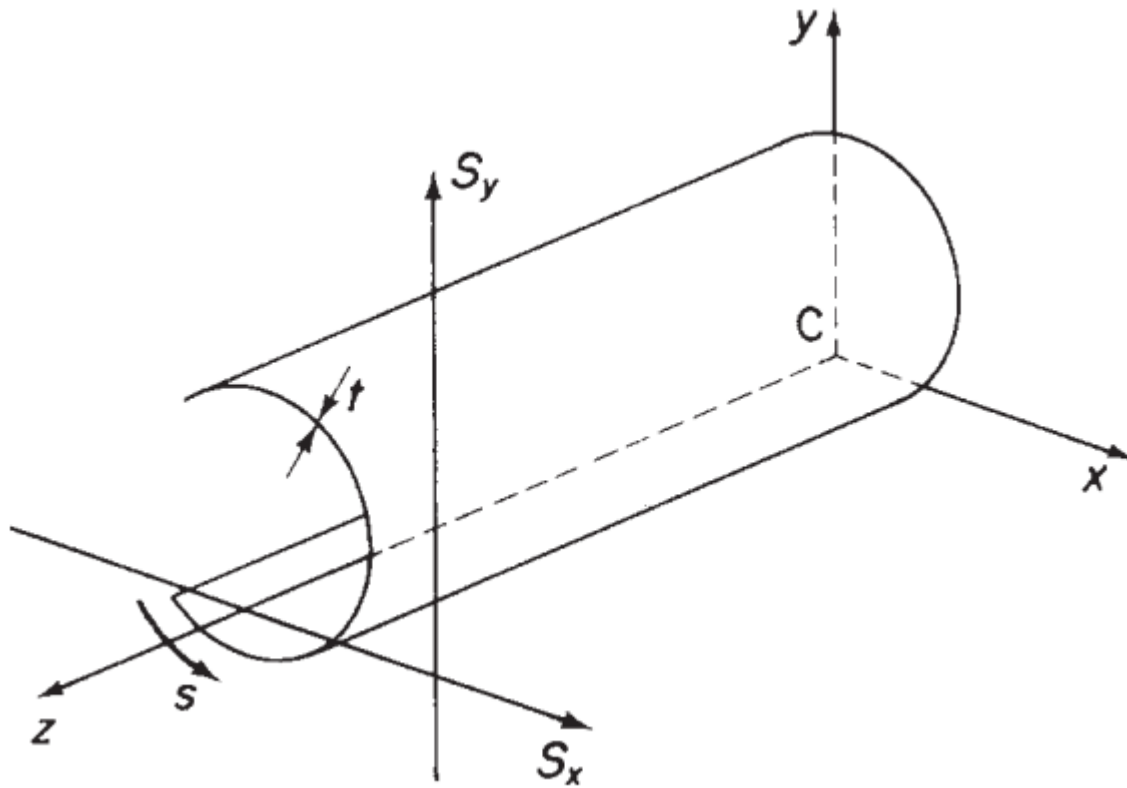
# Shear of open thin-walled beams



$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial s} + t \frac{\partial \sigma_z}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial z} + t \frac{\partial \sigma_s}{\partial s} = 0$$

# Shear of open thin-walled beams



No torsion = Shear center

## Shear of open thin-walled beams

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial s} + t \frac{\partial \sigma_z}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_z}{\partial z} = \frac{[(\partial M_y / \partial z) I_{xx} - (\partial M_x / \partial z) I_{xy}]_x + [(\partial M_x / \partial z) I_{yy} - (\partial M_y / \partial z) I_{xy}]_y}{I_{xx} I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial s} = - \frac{(S_x I_{xx} - S_y I_{xy})}{I_{xx} I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2} tx - \frac{(S_y I_{yy} - S_x I_{xy})}{I_{xx} I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2} ty$$

$$q_s = - \left( \frac{S_x I_{xx} - S_y I_{xy}}{I_{xx} I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2} \right) \int_0^s tx \, ds - \left( \frac{S_y I_{yy} - S_x I_{xy}}{I_{xx} I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2} \right) \int_0^s ty \, ds$$

$$q_s = - \frac{S_x}{I_{yy}} \int_0^s tx \, ds - \frac{S_y}{I_{xx}} \int_0^s ty \, ds$$