

Shear Center

of open thin-walled beams

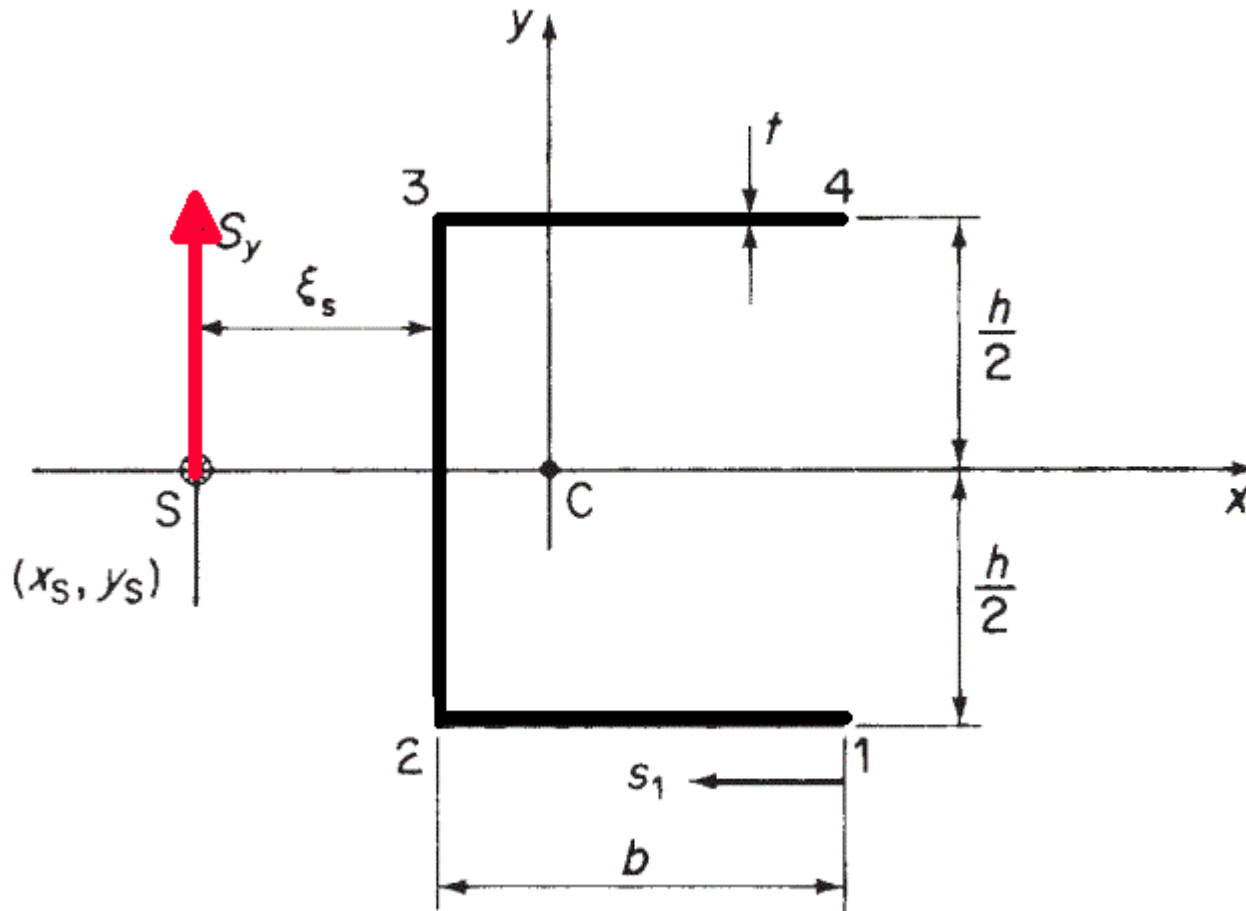
EQUIVALENCE of:

Cause (external load, S_x and S_y)

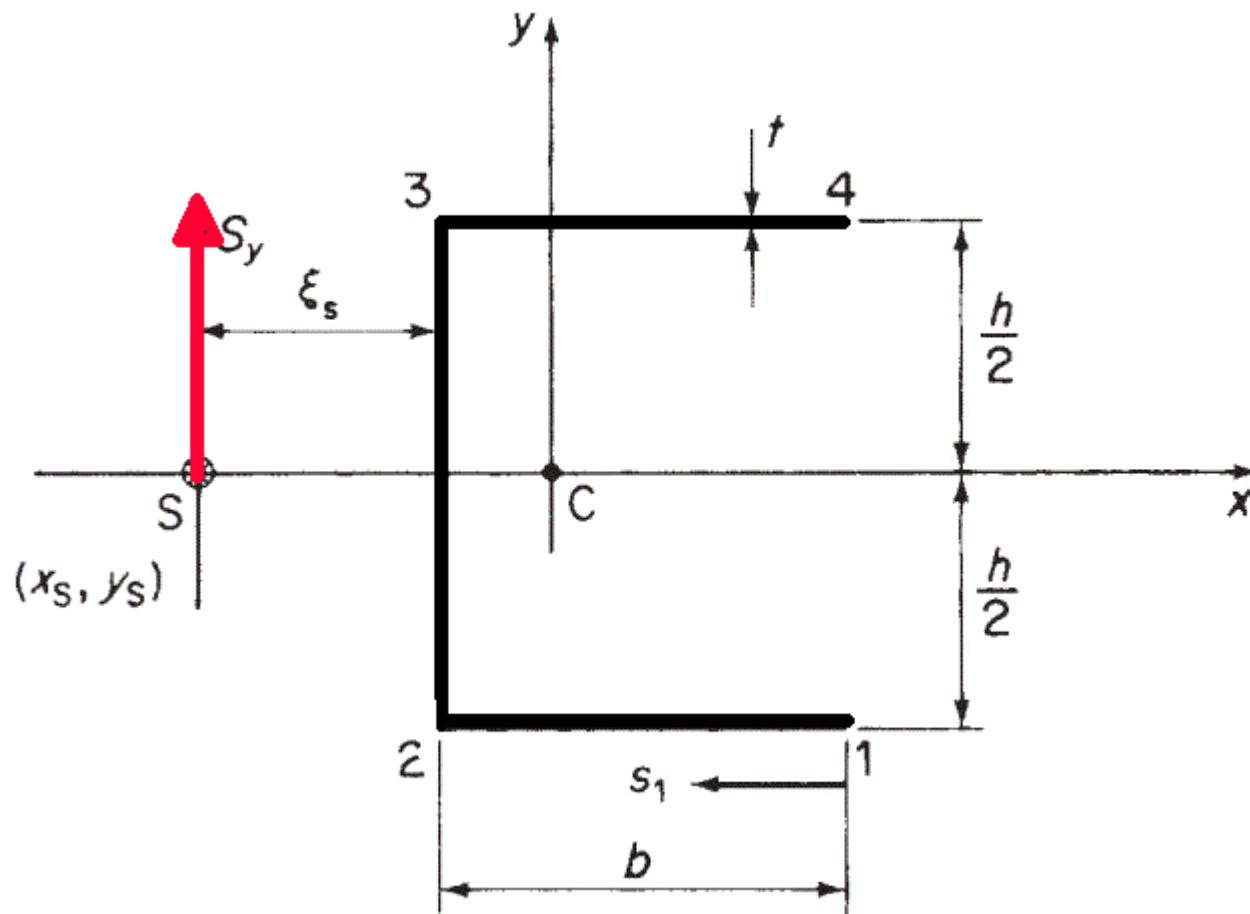
and

Result (created shear stress)

***Logical choice – equivalence of moment
w.r.t. arbitrary chosen location***



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

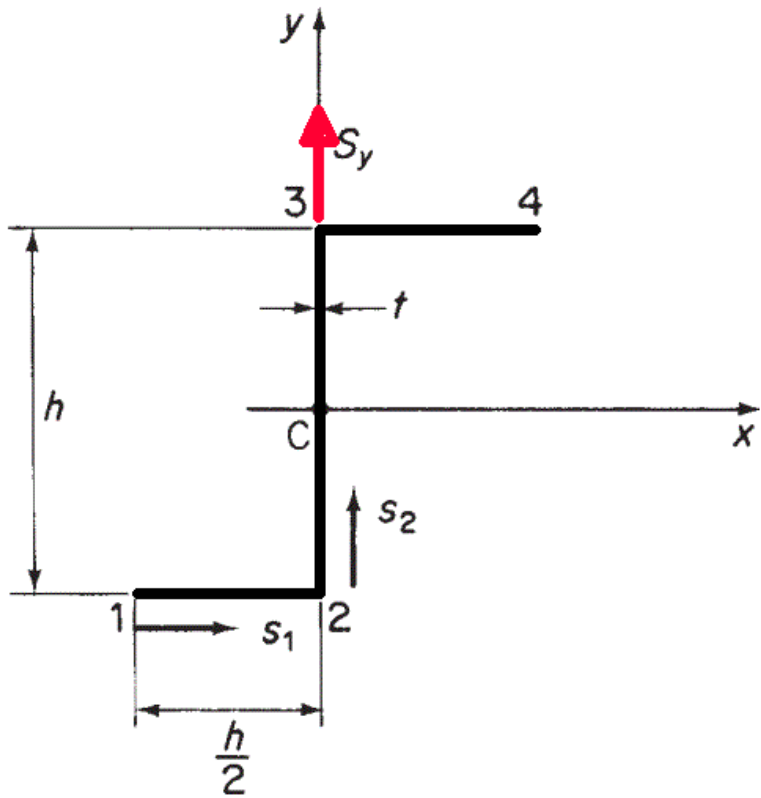
$$I_{xx} = 2bt \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{th^3}{12} = \frac{h^3 t}{12} \left(1 + \frac{6b}{h}\right)$$

$$q_s = \frac{-12S_y}{h^3(1 + 6b/h)} \int_0^s y \, ds$$

$$q_{12} = \frac{6S_y}{h^2(1 + 6b/h)} s_1$$

$$\xi_s = \frac{3b^2}{h(1 + 6b/h)}$$

Shear of open thin-walled beams – Example 1



$$q_s = \frac{S_y}{h^3} \int_0^s (10.32x - 6.84y) ds$$

On the bottom flange 12, $y = -h/2$ and $x = -h/2 + s_1$, where $0 \leq s_1 \leq h/2$.

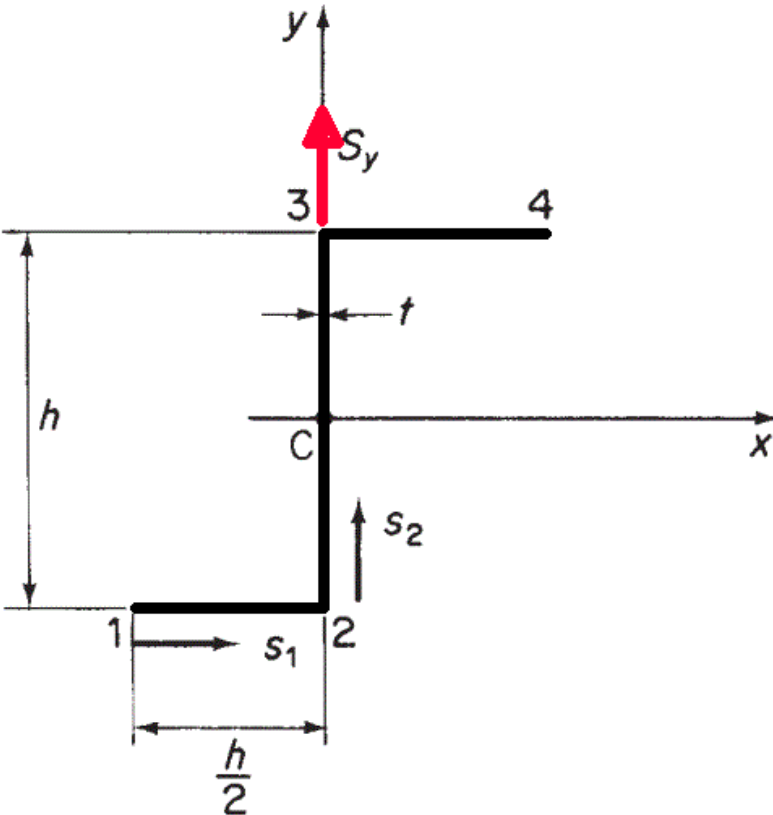
$$q_{12} = \frac{S_y}{h^3} \int_0^{s_1} (10.32s_1 - 1.74h) ds_1$$

$$q_{12} = \frac{S_y}{h^3} (5.16s_1^2 - 1.74hs_1)$$

$$I_{xx} = \frac{h^3 t}{3}, \quad I_{yy} = \frac{h^3 t}{12}, \quad I_{xy} = \frac{h^3 t}{8}$$

Hence at 1 ($s_1 = 0$), $q_1 = 0$
and at 2 ($s_1 = h/2$), $q_2 = 0.42S_y/h$.

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In the web 23, $y = -h/2 + s_2$, where $0 \leq s_2 \leq h$ and $x = 0$. Then

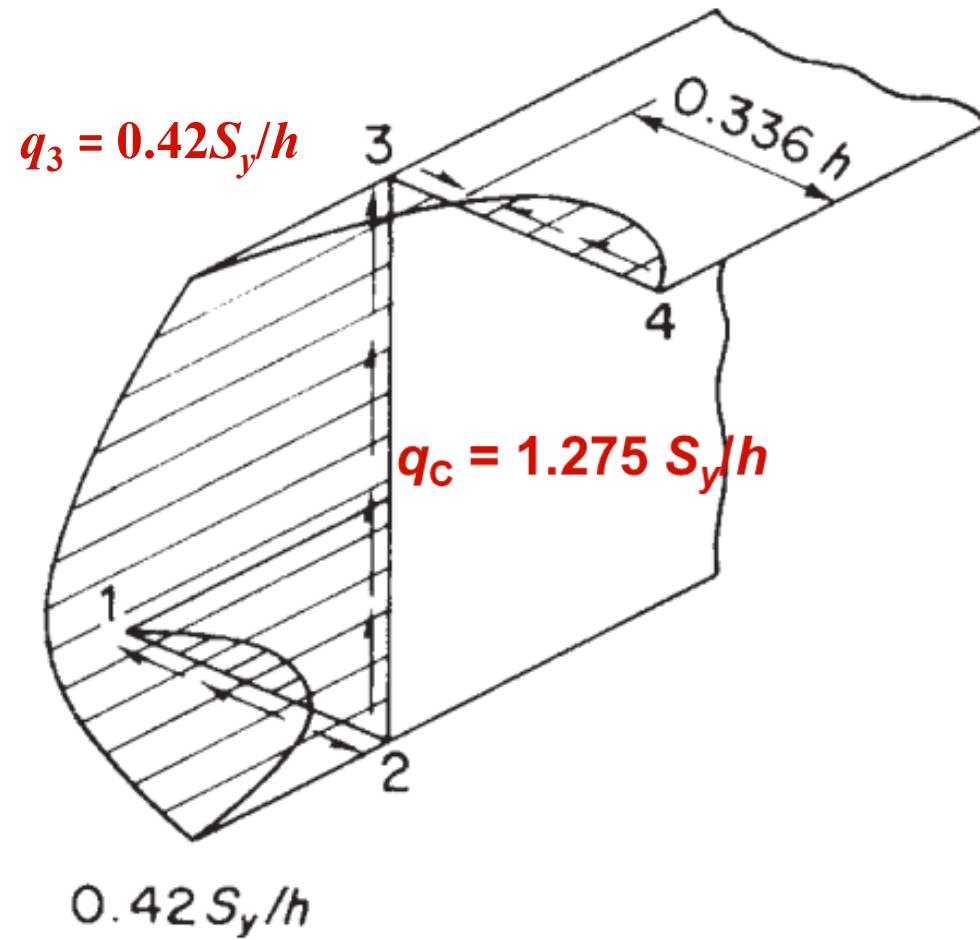
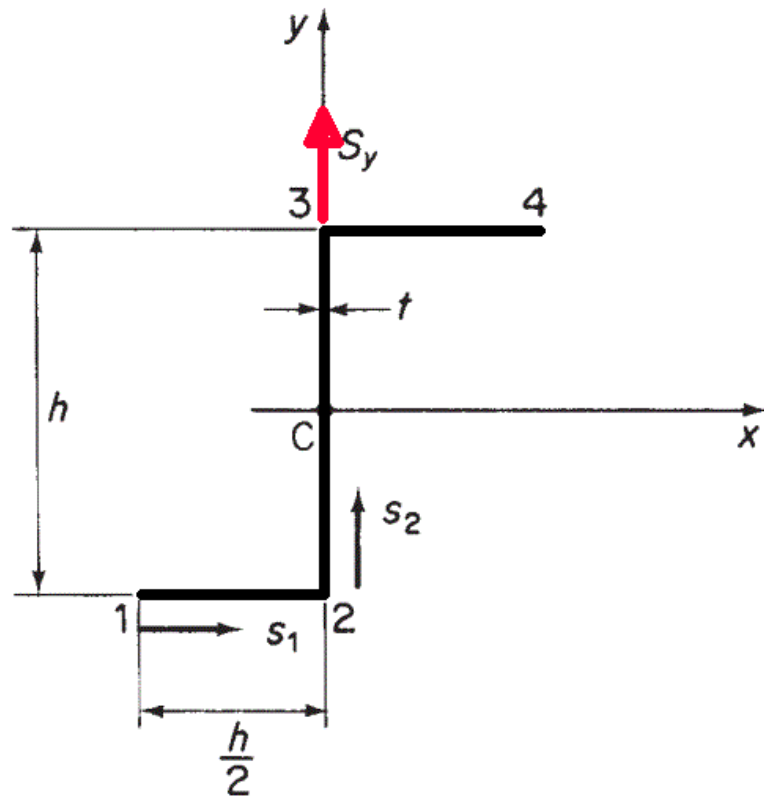
$$q_{23} = \frac{S_y}{h^3} \int_0^{s_2} (3.42h - 6.84s_2) ds_2 + q_2$$

$$q_{23} = \frac{S_y}{h^3} (0.42h^2 + 3.42hs_2 - 3.42s_2^2)$$

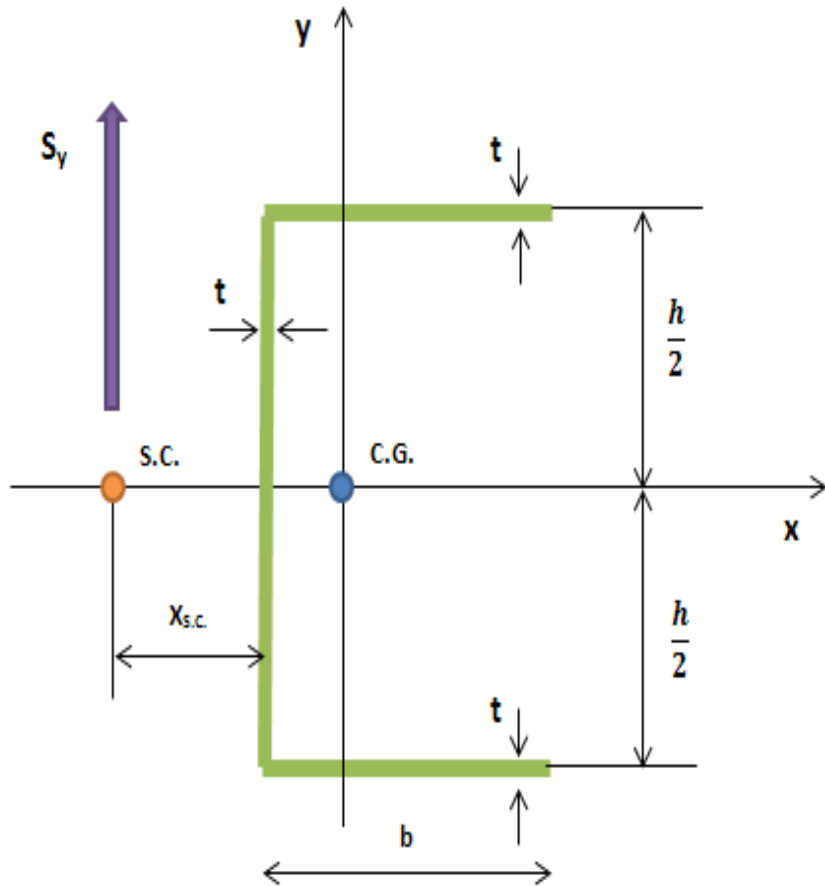
$$I_{xx} = \frac{h^3 t}{3}, \quad I_{yy} = \frac{h^3 t}{12}, \quad I_{xy} = \frac{h^3 t}{8}$$

At C point ($s_2 = h/2$) there is maximum, and $q_C = 1.275 S_y/h$.

Shear of open thin-walled beams – Example 1



Shear of open thin-walled beams – Example 2



$$t = 0,5 \text{ [cm]}$$

$$h = 16 \text{ [cm]}$$

$$b = 8 \text{ [cm]}$$

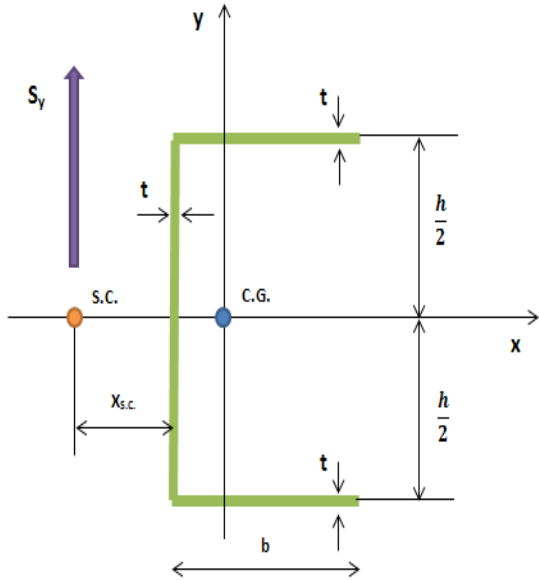
$$S_y = 20 \text{ [kN]} = 2 \cdot 10^4 \text{ [N]}$$

$$S_x = 0 \text{ [N]}$$

S.C. – shear center

C.G. – center of gravity

Shear of open thin-walled beams – Example 2



$$I_{xx} = \frac{t \cdot h^3}{12} + 2 \cdot \left[\frac{b \cdot t^3}{12} + t \cdot b \cdot \left(\frac{h}{2} \right)^2 \right]$$
$$= \frac{0,5 \cdot 16^3}{12} + 2 \cdot \left[0 + 0,5 \cdot 8 \cdot \left(\frac{16}{2} \right)^2 \right]$$

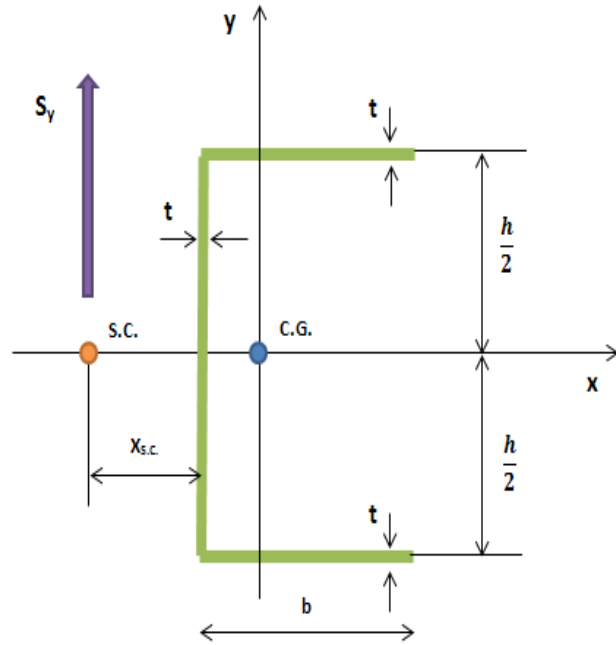
where the following assumption can be written:

$$\frac{b \cdot t^3}{12} \approx 0$$

thus

$$I_{xx} = 170,66 + 512 = 682,67 [cm^4] = 682,67 \cdot 10^4 [mm^4]$$

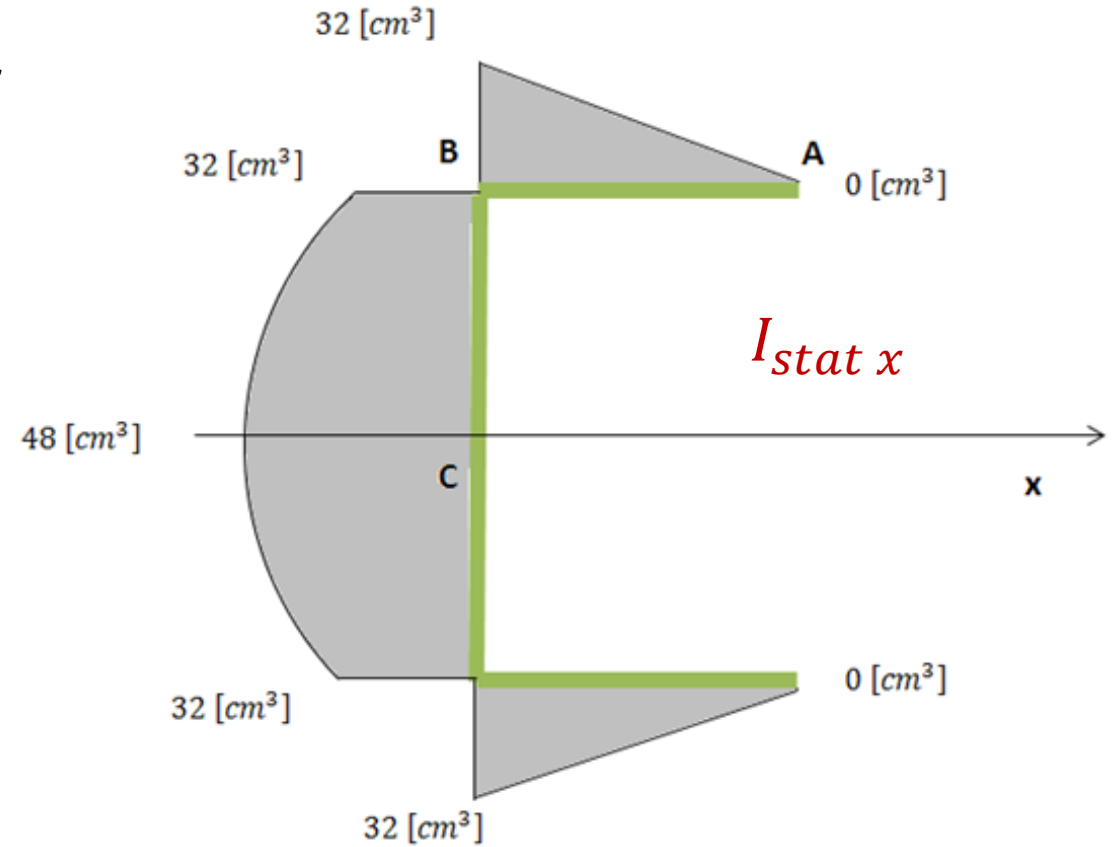
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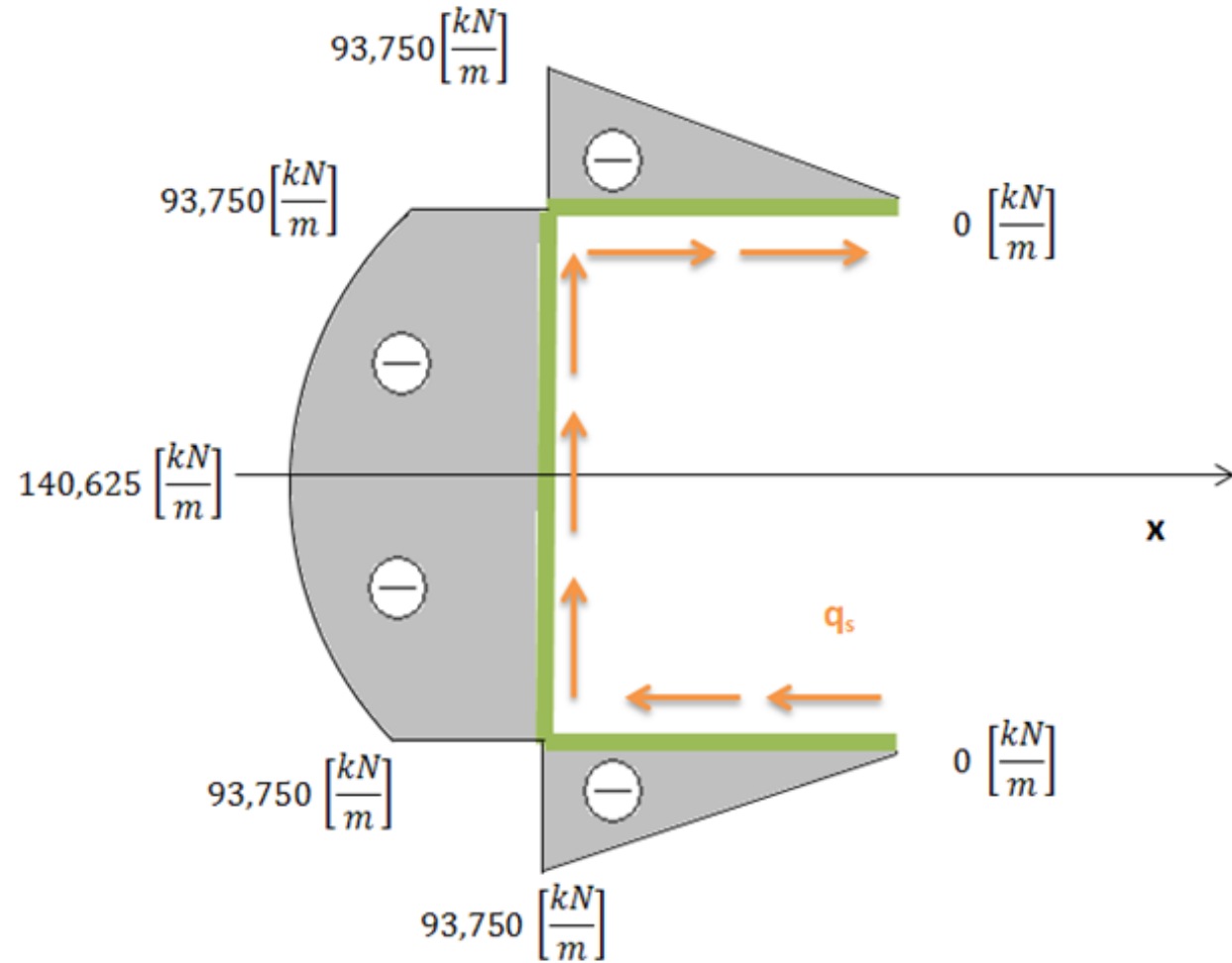
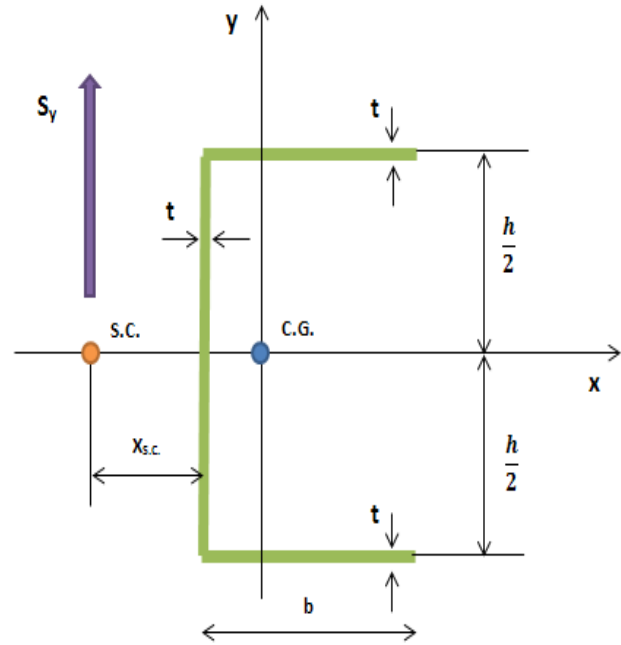
$$q_s = -\frac{S_y}{I_{xx}} \cdot I_{stat x}$$

$$S_y = 20 \text{ kN}$$

$$I_{xx} = 682.67 \text{ cm}^4$$



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$$S_y \cdot x_{S.C.} = F_1 \cdot h$$

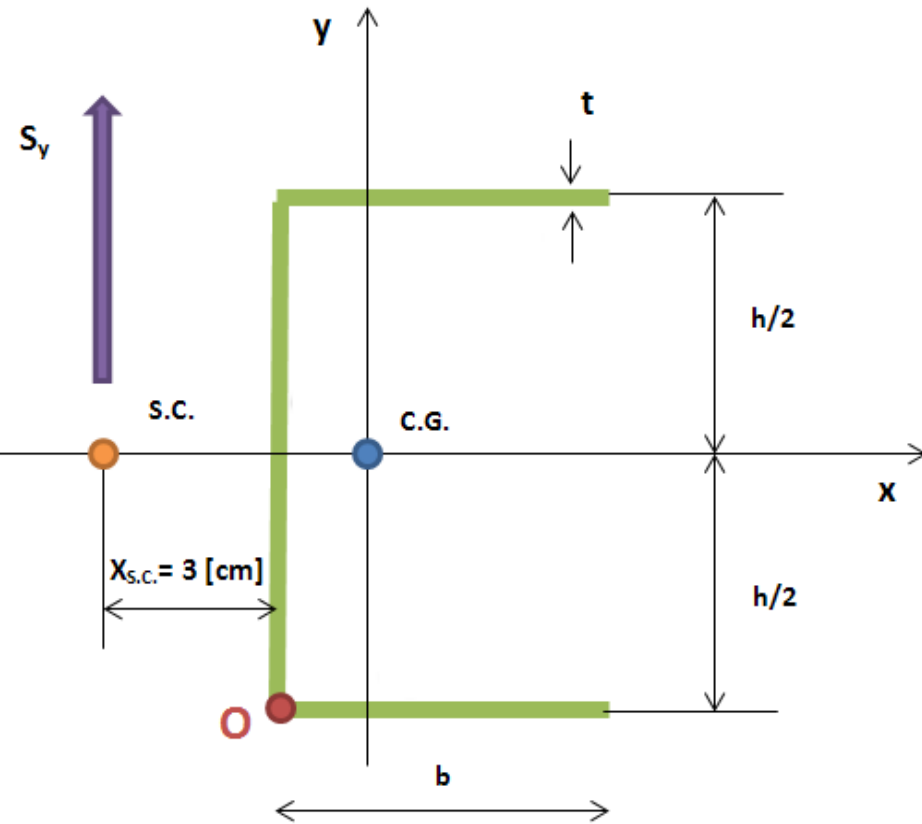
The force F_1 generates the moment about “O” point. Thus, this force is calculated:

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= \int_0^{s_1} q_s ds_1 = \int_0^b q_s ds_1 = \int_0^b \left(-\frac{S_y}{I_{xx}} \cdot I_{stat x} \right) ds_1 = -\frac{S_y}{I_{xx}} \int_0^b (I_{stat x}) ds_1 = \\ &= \int_0^b \left(-29,30 \cdot t \cdot \frac{h}{2} \cdot s_1 \right) ds_1 = -29,30 \cdot t \cdot \frac{h}{2} \int_0^b s_1 ds_1 = \\ &= -29,30 \cdot t \cdot \frac{h}{2} \cdot \left[\frac{s_1^2}{2} \Big|_0^b \right] = -29,30 \cdot t \cdot \frac{h}{2} \cdot \frac{b^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

The range is $s_1 \in < 0 ; b >$ where $b = 8[cm]$, thus:

$$F_1 = -29,30 \frac{[N]}{[cm^4]} \cdot 0,5 [cm] \cdot \frac{16}{2} [cm] \cdot \frac{(8 [cm])^2}{2} = -29,30 \cdot 0,5 \cdot 4 \cdot 32 [N] = -3750 [N]$$

Shear of open thin-walled beams – Example 2



Calculation of the coordinate of the shear center

$$x_{s.c.} = \frac{F_1 \cdot h}{S_y} = \frac{-3750 \text{ [N]} \cdot 0,16 \text{ [m]}}{2 \cdot 10^4 \text{ [N]}} = -0,03 \text{ [m]} = -3 \text{ [cm]}$$

The minus sign means that the shear center position lies opposite to the “X” axis, so to the left from the “O” point.

Thin-walled beams – bending / shear

NOW generalized for closed section

Recall - Shear of open thin-walled beams

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

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

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

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

$$q_s = - \frac{S_x}{I_{yy}} \int_0^s t_x ds - \frac{S_y}{I_{xx}} \int_0^s t_y ds$$

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

$$q_s - q_{s,0} = - \left(\frac{S_x I_{xx} - S_y I_{xy}}{I_{xx} I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2} \right) \int_0^s tx \, ds - \left(\frac{S_y I_{yy} - S_x I_{xy}}{I_{xx} I_{yy} - I_{xy}^2} \right) \int_0^s ty \, ds$$

$$q_s = q_b + q_{s,0}$$

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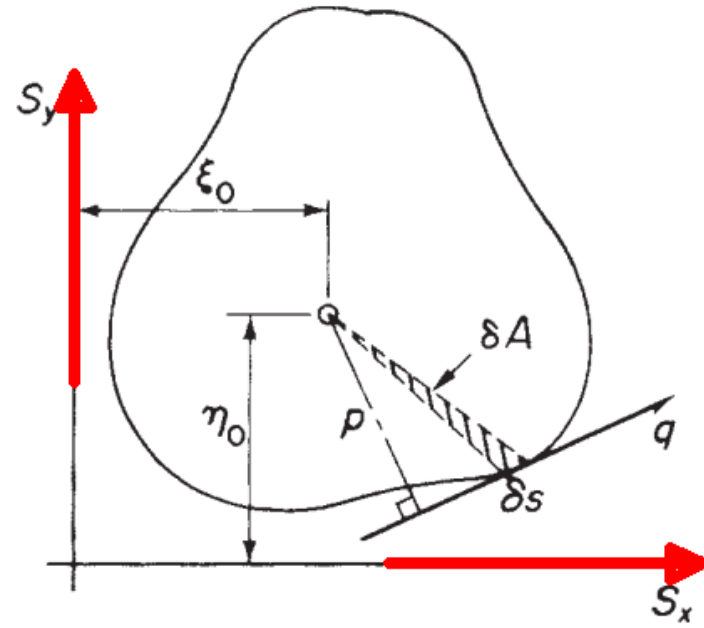
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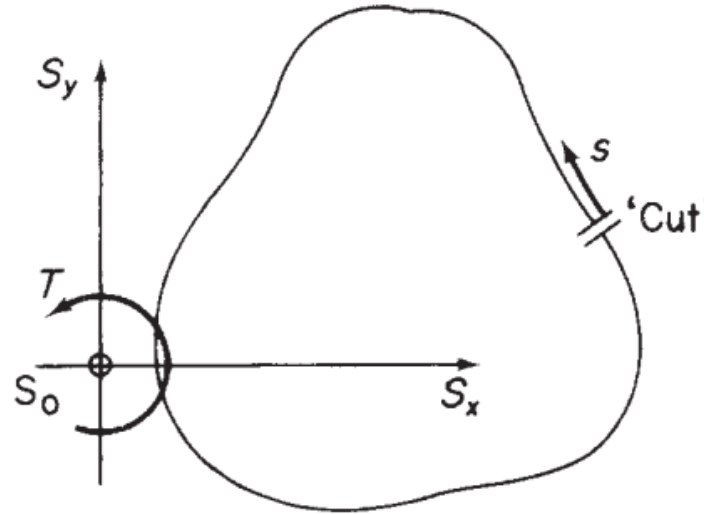
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(a)



(b)

$$S_x \eta_0 - S_y \xi_0 = \oint p q \, ds = \oint p q_b \, ds + q_{s,0} \oint p \, ds$$

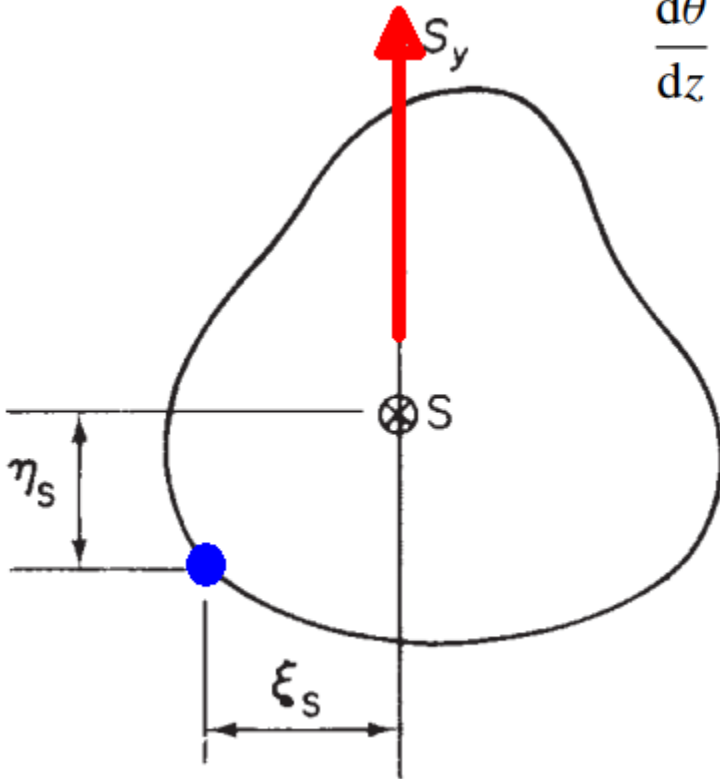
$$S_x \eta_0 - S_y \xi_0 = \oint p q_b \, ds + \boxed{2A q_{s,0}}$$

Shear Center of closed section thin-walled beams

It is necessary to use the ADDITIONAL information: condition that a shear load acting through the shear centre of a section produces zero twist.

$$\frac{d\theta}{dz} = \frac{1}{2A} \oint \frac{q_s}{Gt} ds$$

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$$0 = \oint \frac{q_s}{Gt} ds$$

$$0 = \oint \frac{1}{Gt} (q_b + q_{s,0}) ds$$

$$q_{s,0} = - \frac{\oint (q_b / Gt) ds}{\oint ds / Gt}$$

$$q_{s,0} = - \frac{\oint q_b ds}{\oint ds}$$