



# Bending Deflection

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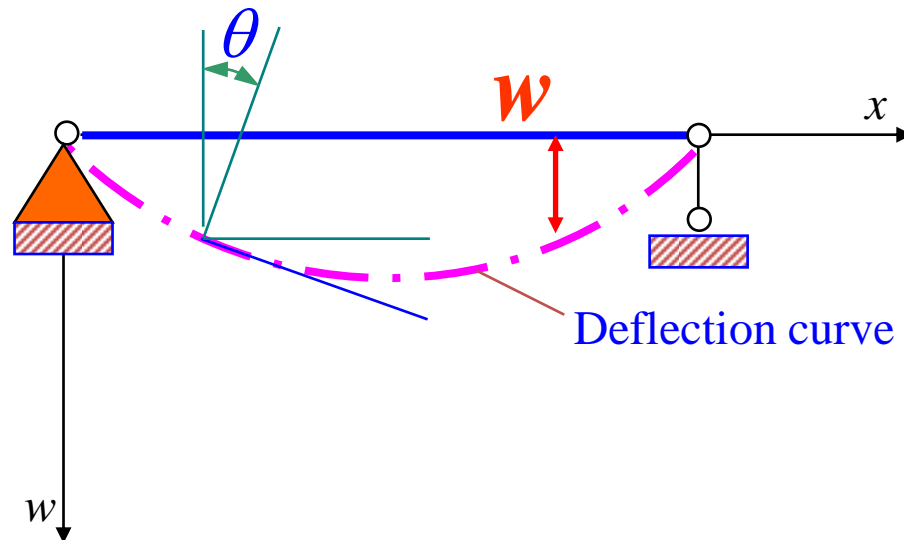
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# The Elastic Curve, Deflection and Slope

- **The elastic curve:** beam axis under bending, required to determine beam deflection and slope.
- **Bending deflections** ( $w = f(x)$ ): vertical deflection of the neutral surface, defined as **downward positive / upward negative**.
- **Slope** ( $\theta = \theta(x) \approx \tan(\theta) = dw/dx$ ): rotation of cross-sections, defined as **clockwise positive / counter clockwise negative**

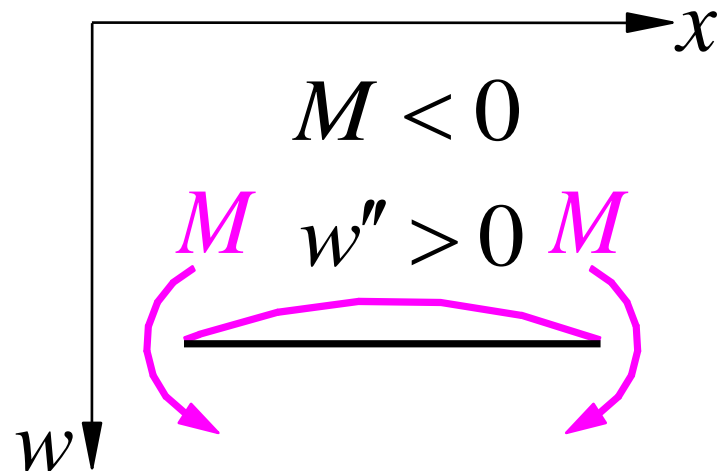
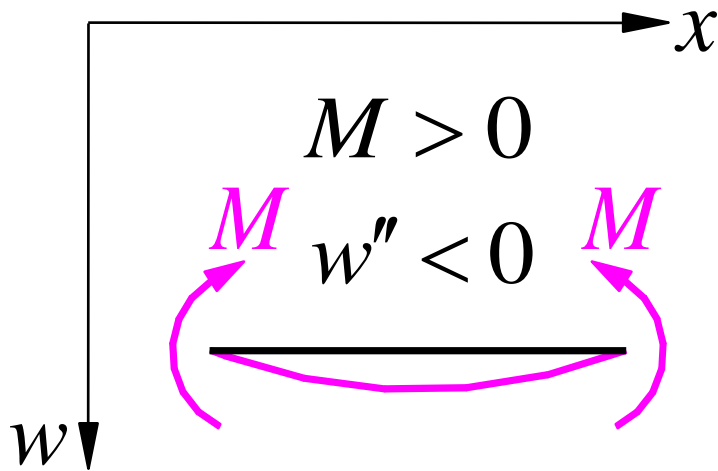


# Differential Equation of the Elastic Curve

- Curvature of the neutral surface

$$\frac{1}{\rho(x)} = \frac{M(x)}{EI_z}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{\rho(x)} = -\frac{w''}{(1+w'^2)^{3/2}} \approx -w''$$



$$EIw'' = -M$$

$EI$ : flexural rigidity

- The negative sign is due to the particular choice of the  $w$ -axis.

# Deflection and Slope by Integration

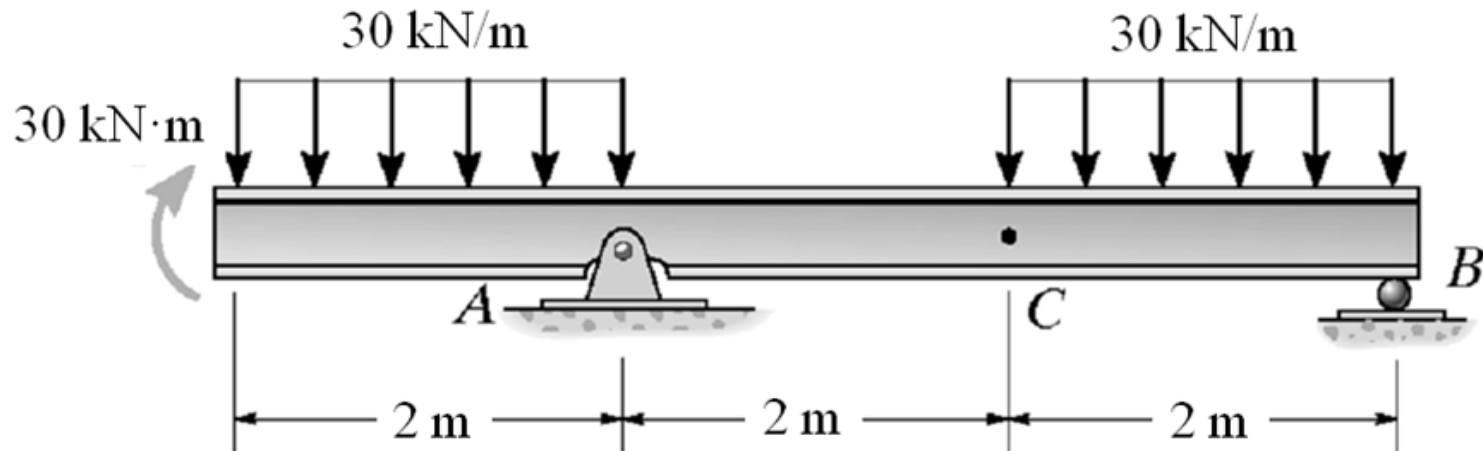
$$EIw'' = -M(x)$$

$$EIw' = -\int M(x)dx + C$$

$$EIw = -\int \int M(x)dx dx + Cx + D$$

- Conventionally assuming constant flexural rigidity ( $EI$ )
- Integration constants  $C$  and  $D$  can be determined from boundary conditions, symmetry conditions, and continuity conditions.

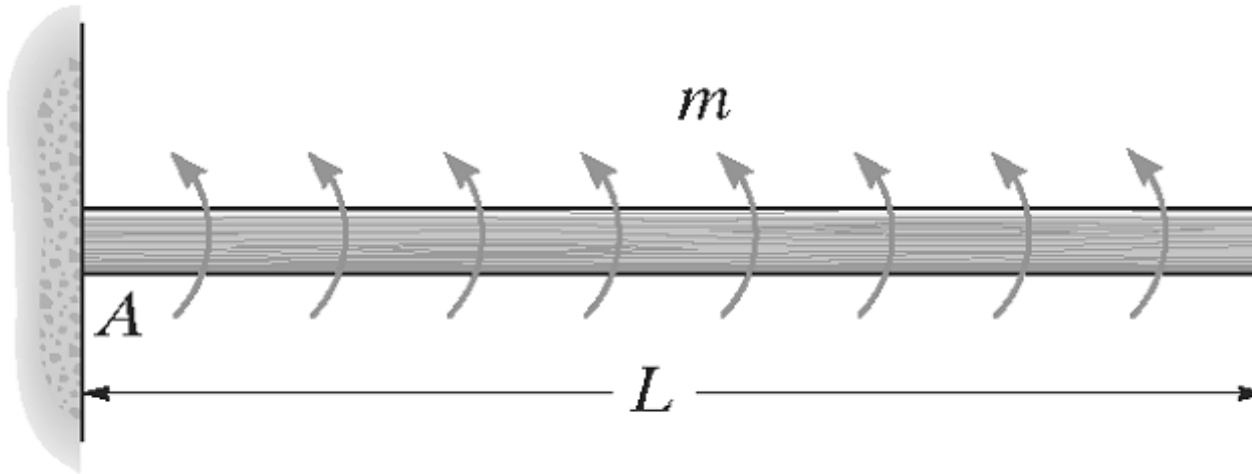
# Boundary Conditions – Simple Beams



- Deflections are restrained at the hinged/rolled supports

$$\Rightarrow w_A = 0; \quad w_B = 0$$

# Boundary Conditions- Cantilever Beams



- Both the deflection and rotation are restrained at the clamped end

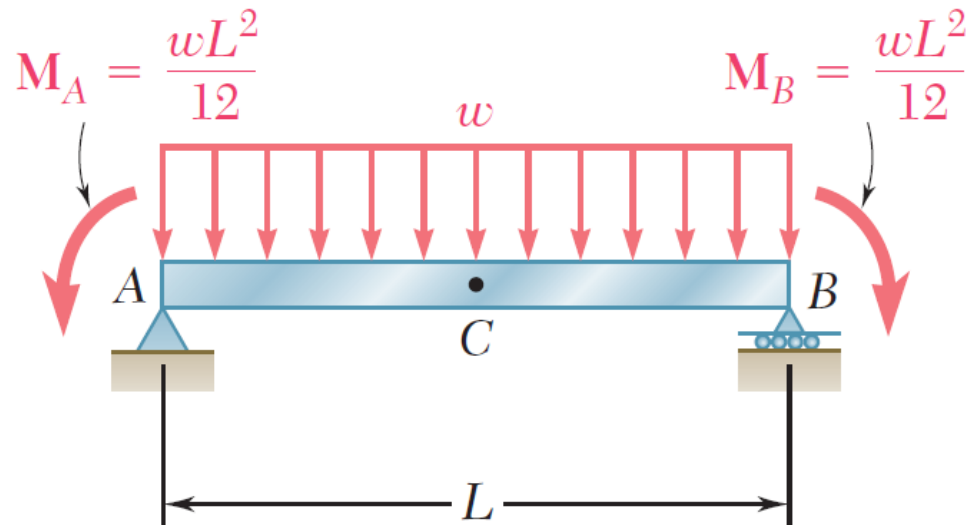
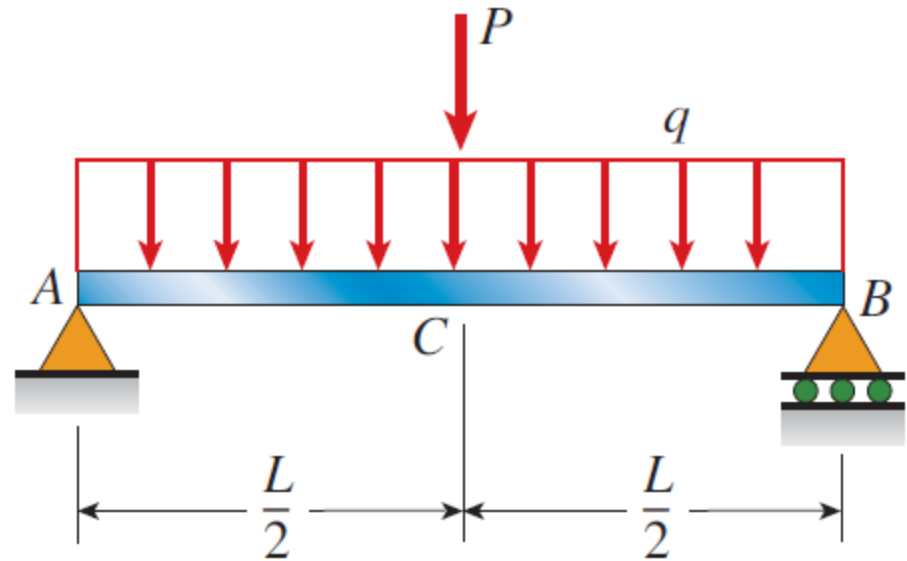
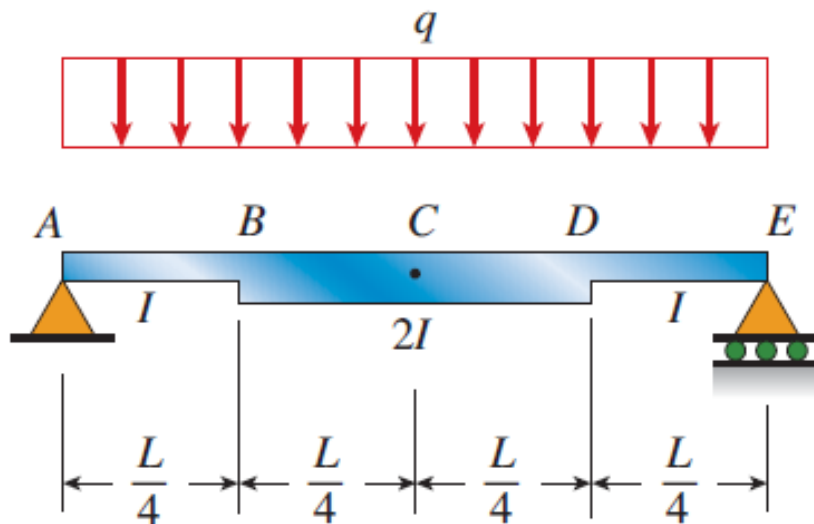
$$\Rightarrow w_A = 0; \quad \theta_A = 0$$



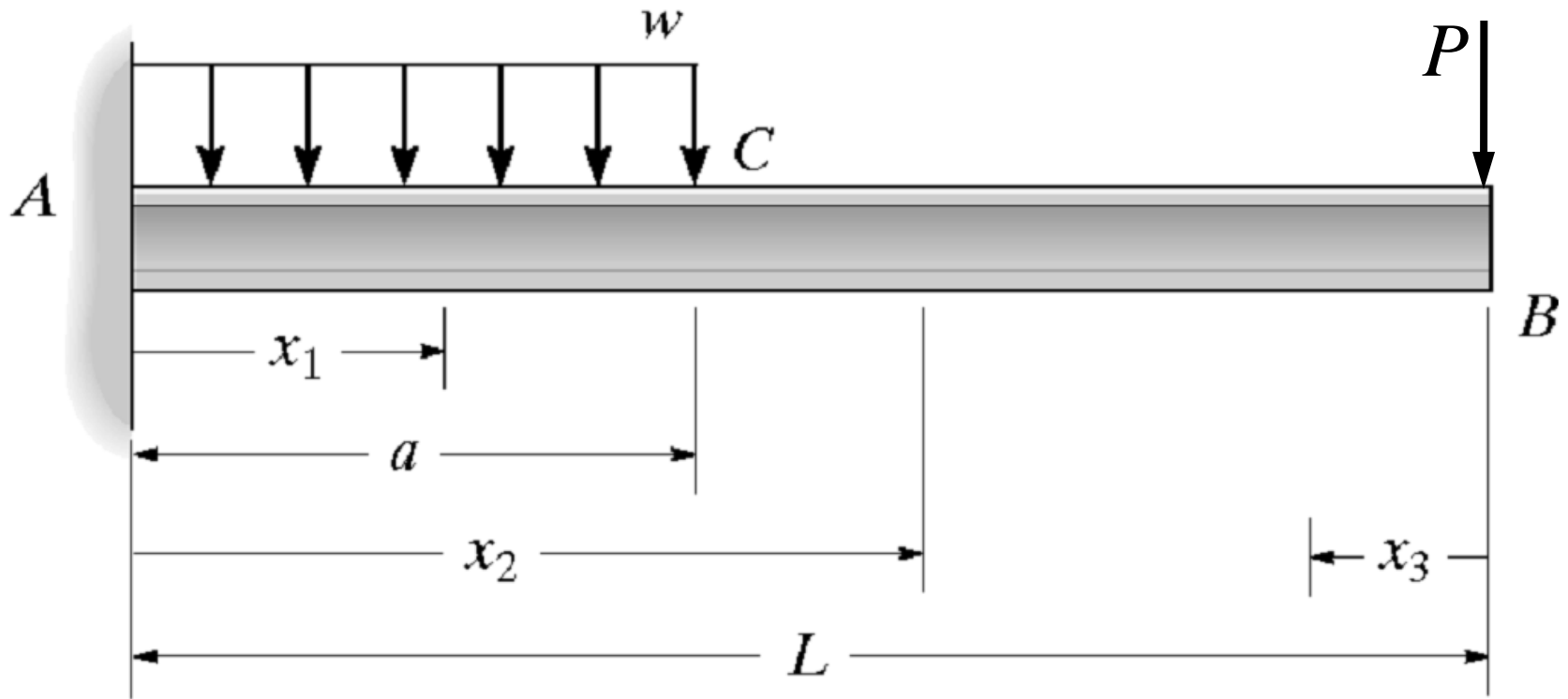
# Symmetry Conditions

- Both the geometry and loads are symmetric about the mid-section ( $x = L/2$ )

$$\Rightarrow \theta_C = 0$$



# Continuity Conditions

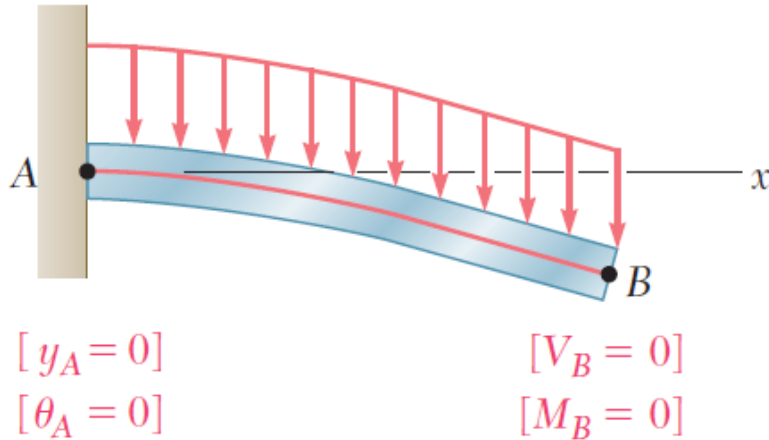


$$0 \leq x_1 \leq a, \quad a \leq x_2 \leq L, \quad 0 \leq x_3 \leq L - a$$

$$w(x_1 = a) = w(x_2 = a); \quad \theta(x_1 = a) = \theta(x_2 = a)$$

$$w(x_1 = a) = w(x_3 = L - a); \quad \theta(x_1 = a) = -\theta(x_3 = L - a)$$

# Direct Integration from Distributed Loads



- For a beam subjected to distributed loads

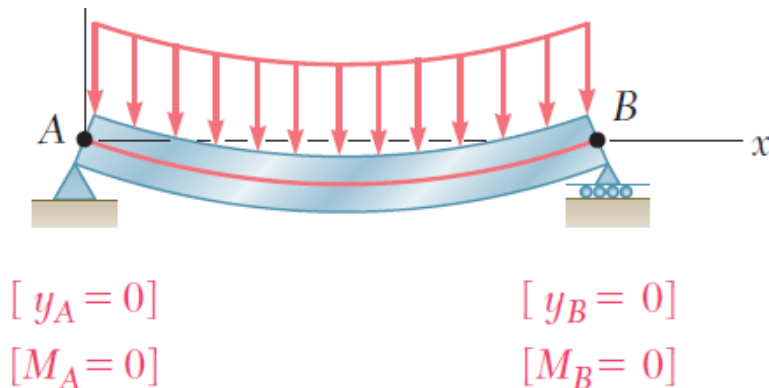
$$\frac{dM}{dx} = F_s(x), \quad \frac{d^2M}{dx^2} = \frac{dF_s}{dx} = q(x)$$

- Equation for beam displacement becomes

$$EI \frac{d^4w}{dx^4} = -\frac{d^2M}{dx^2} = -q(x)$$

- Integrating four times yields

$$EI w(x) = -\int dx \int dx \int dx \int q(x) dx + \frac{1}{6} C_1 x^3 + \frac{1}{2} C_2 x^2 + C_3 x + C_4$$



- Constants are determined from conditions on the shear forces and bending moments as well as conditions on the slopes and deflections.

# Direct Integration from Transverse Loads



- For a beam subjected to transverse loads (without distributed loads)

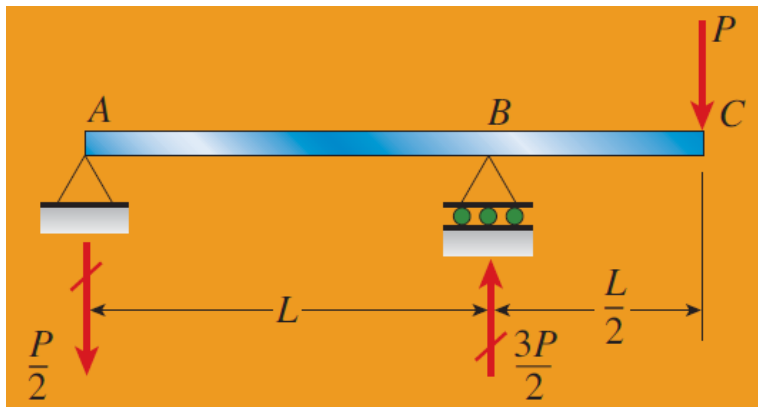
- Equation for beam displacement becomes

$$EI \frac{d^3 w}{dx^3} = -\frac{dM}{dx} = -F_s(x)$$

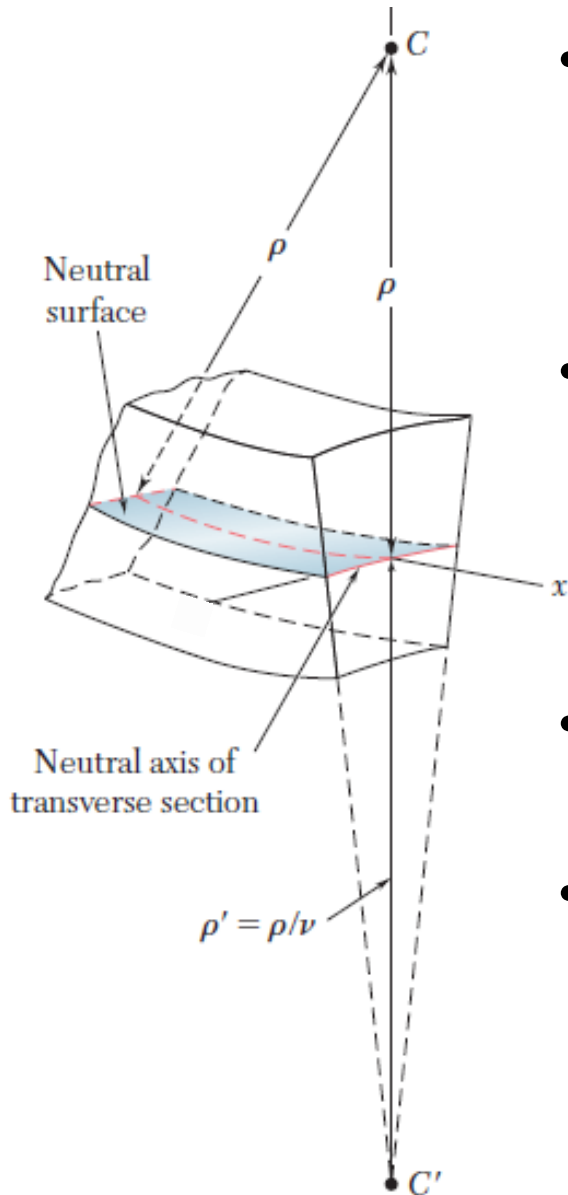
- Integrating three times yields

$$EI w(x) = -\int dx \int dx \int F_s(x) dx + \frac{1}{2} C_2 x^2 + C_3 x + C_4$$

- Constants are determined from conditions on the bending moments as well as conditions on the slopes and deflections.



# Deformations in a Transverse Cross Section



- Deformation due to bending moment is quantified by the curvature of the neutral surface

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{\varepsilon_x(y)}{y} = \frac{\sigma_x(y)}{Ey}$$

- Although cross sectional planes remain planar when subjected to bending moments, in-plane deformations are nonzero,

$$\varepsilon_y(y) = -\nu\varepsilon_x(y) = -\frac{\nu y}{\rho}, \quad \varepsilon_z(y) = -\nu\varepsilon_x(y) = -\frac{\nu y}{\rho}$$

- For a rectangular cross-section, no change in the vertical dimension will be observed.
- Horizontal expansion above the neutral surface and contraction below it cause an in-plane curvature

$$\frac{1}{\rho'} = -\frac{\varepsilon_z(y)}{y} = \frac{\nu}{\rho} = \text{anticlastic curvature}$$

# Curvature Shortening

- When a beam is bent, the ends of the beam move closer together.
- It is common practice to disregard these longitudinal displacements.

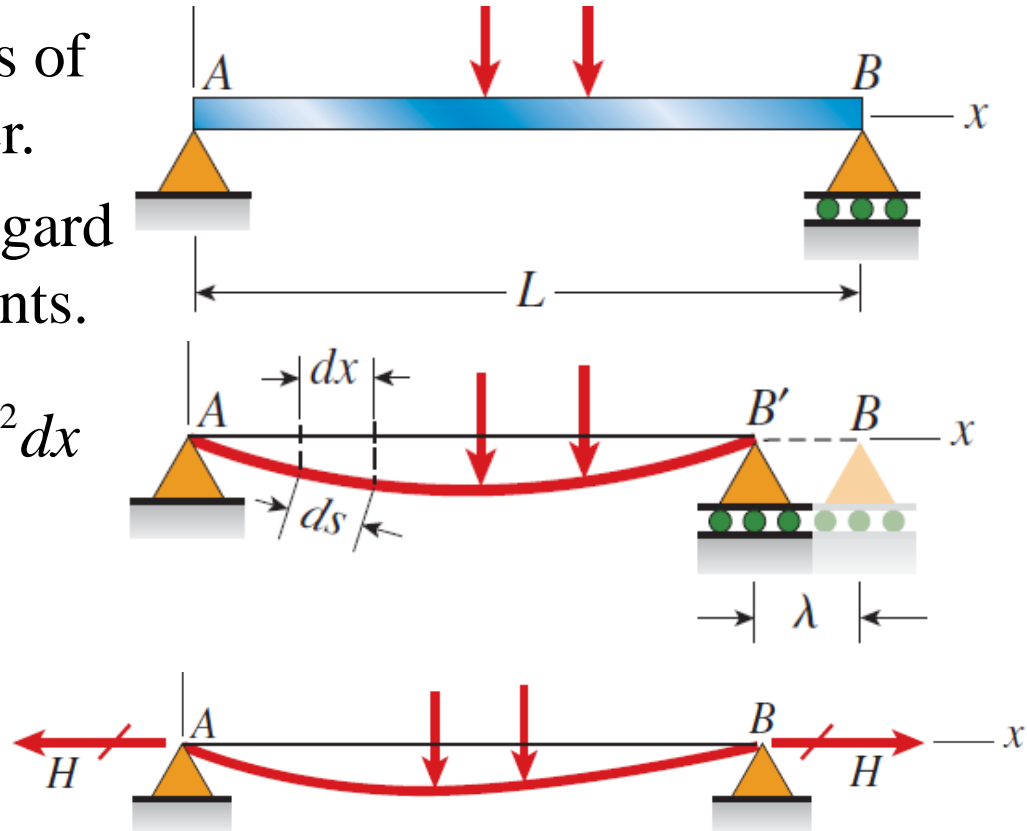
$$ds - dx = \left( \sqrt{1 + w'^2} - 1 \right) dx \approx \frac{1}{2} w'^2 dx$$

$$\lambda = L_{AB} - L_{AB'} = \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} w'^2 dx$$

- For immovable supports, a horizontal reaction will develop at each end.

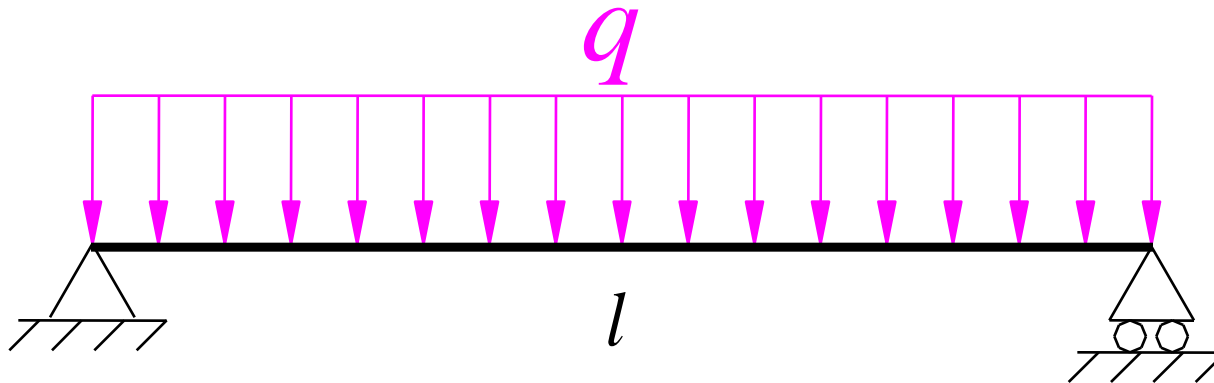
$$\lambda = HL/EA \Rightarrow H = \lambda EA/L$$

- This equation gives a *close estimate* of the tensile stress produced by the immovable supports of a simple beam.



# Sample Problem

- Given: flexural rigidity ( $EI$ ) of a simply supported beam under a uniformly distributed load of density  $q$
- Find: equations of deflections and slopes, and their maximum values ( $\theta_{\max}$ ,  $w_{\max}$ )



- Solution:

$$M(x) = \frac{ql}{2}x - \frac{q}{2}x^2$$

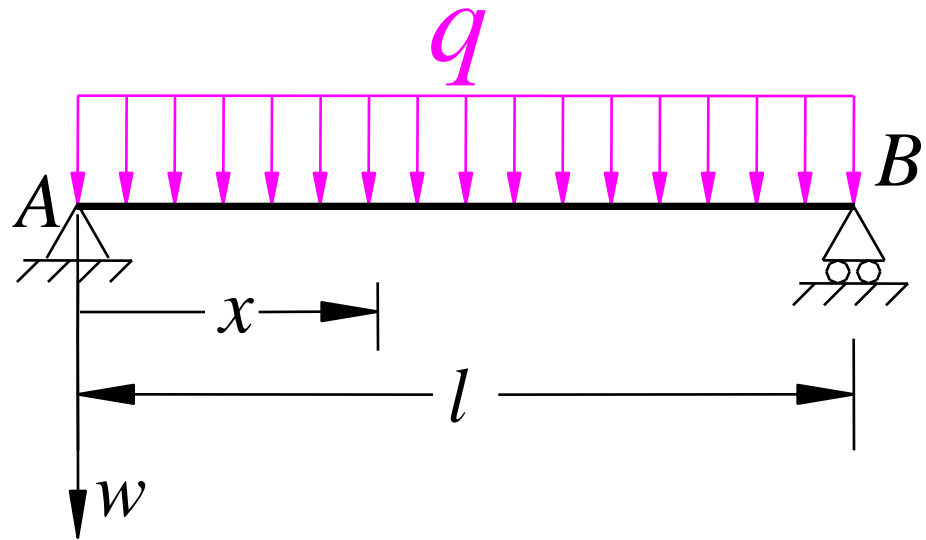
$$EIw'' = -\frac{ql}{2}x + \frac{q}{2}x^2$$

$$EIw' = -\frac{ql}{4}x^2 + \frac{q}{6}x^3 + C$$

$$EIw = -\frac{ql}{12}x^3 + \frac{q}{24}x^4 + Cx + D$$

- Boundary conditions:  $w(x=0) = 0$ ,  $w(x=l) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{ql^3}{24}, \quad D = 0$$

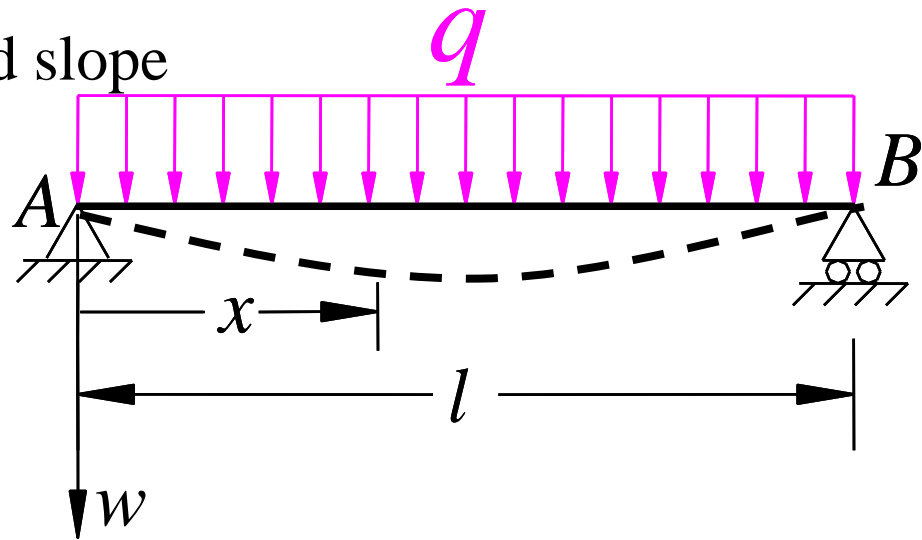




- Equations of beam deflection and slope

$$\theta = \omega' = \frac{q}{24EI} (l^3 - 6lx^2 + 4x^3)$$

$$w = \frac{qx}{24EI} (l^3 - 2lx^2 + x^3)$$



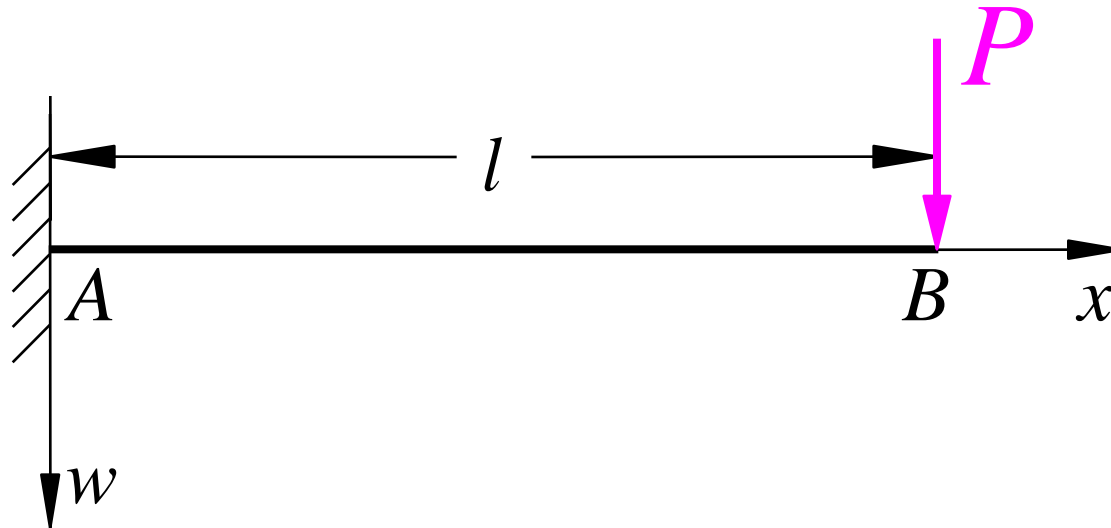
- The maximum deflection and slope

$$\theta_{\max} = \theta_A = -\theta_B = \frac{ql^3}{24EI}$$

$$w_{\max} = w\left(x = \frac{l}{2}\right) = \frac{5ql^4}{384EI}$$

# Sample Problem

- Given: flexural rigidity ( $EI$ ) of a cantilever beam under a concentrated load acting at its free end
- Find: equations of deflections and slopes, and their maximum values ( $\theta_{\max}$ ,  $w_{\max}$ )



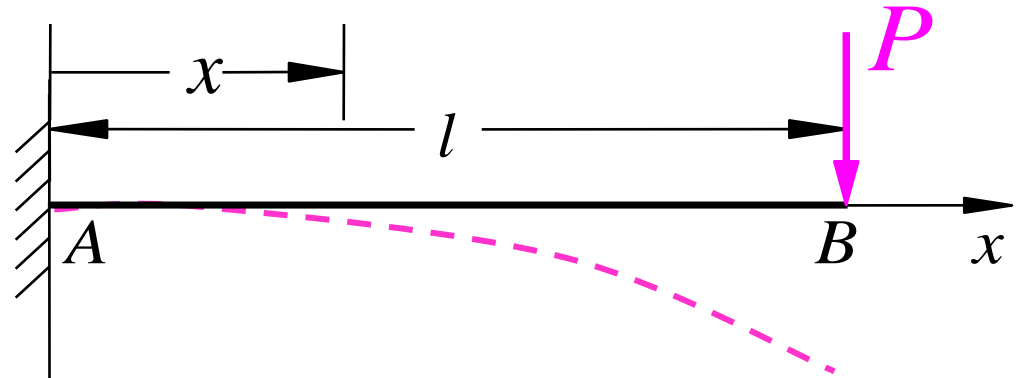
- Solution:

$$M(x) = -P(l - x)$$

$$EIw'' = -Px + Pl$$

$$EIw' = -\frac{P}{2}x^2 + Plx + C \quad \downarrow w$$

$$EIw = -\frac{P}{6}x^3 + \frac{Pl}{2}x^2 + Cx + D$$



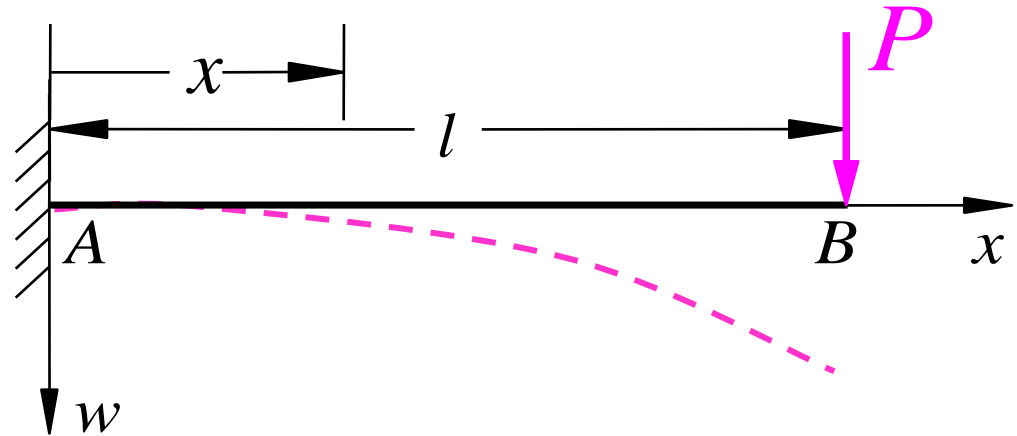
- Boundary conditions:  $w(x=0) = 0, \quad w'(x=0) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow C = D = 0$$

- Equations of beam deflection and slope

$$\theta = \frac{Px}{2EI} (2l - x)$$

$$w = \frac{Px^2}{6EI} (3l - x)$$



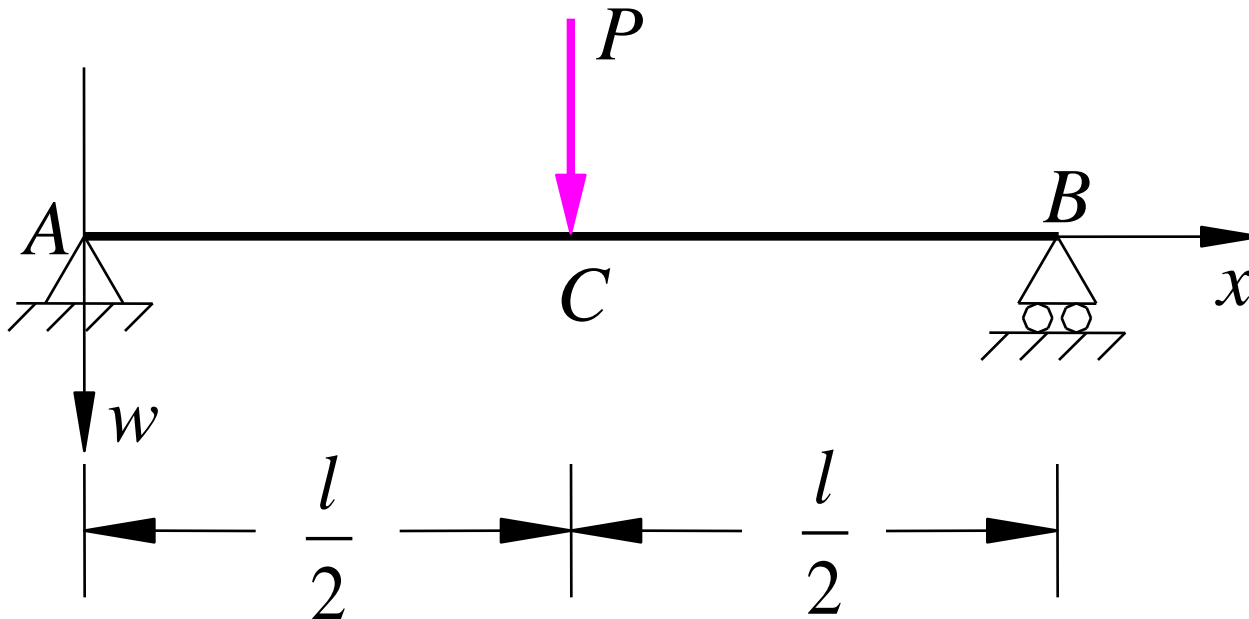
- The maximum deflection and slope

$$\theta_{\max} = \theta_B = \frac{Pl^2}{2EI}$$

$$w_{\max} = w_B = \frac{Pl^3}{3EI}$$

# Sample Problem

- Given: a simply supported beam with flexural rigidity  $EI$  is subjected to a concentrated load  $P$  as shown
- Find: the equations of deflection and slope, and their maximum values ( $w_{\max}$ ,  $\theta_{\max}$ )



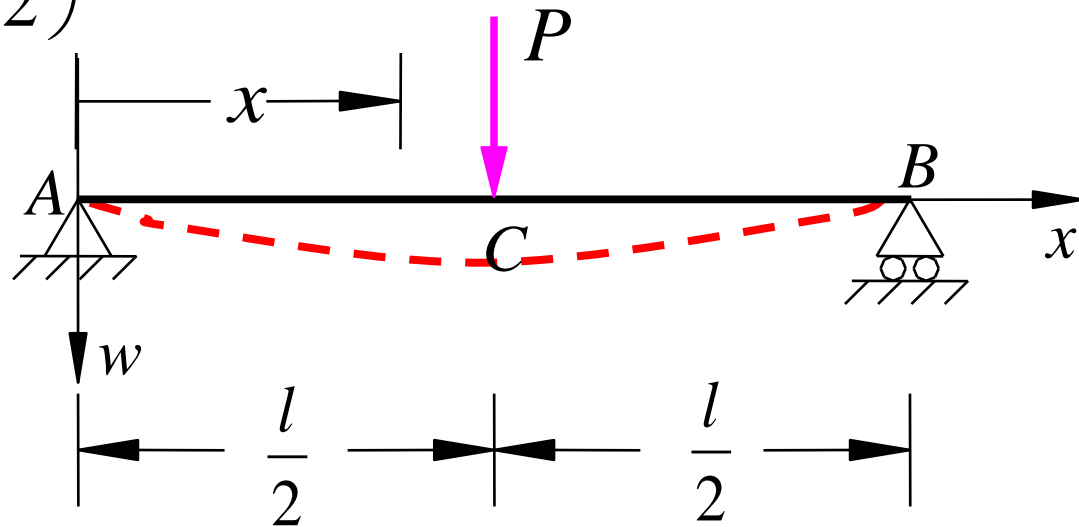
- Solution
- Because of symmetry, it's sufficient to solve only portion AC.

$$M(x) = \frac{P}{2}x, \quad \left(0 \leq x < \frac{l}{2}\right)$$

$$EIw'' = -\frac{P}{2}x$$

$$EIw' = -\frac{P}{4}x^2 + C$$

$$EIw = -\frac{P}{12}x^3 + Cx + D$$



- Left boundary condition:  $w(x=0) = 0 \Rightarrow D = 0$

- Symmetry condition:  $w'\left(x = \frac{l}{2}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow C = \frac{Pl^2}{16}$

- Equations of bending deflection and slope:

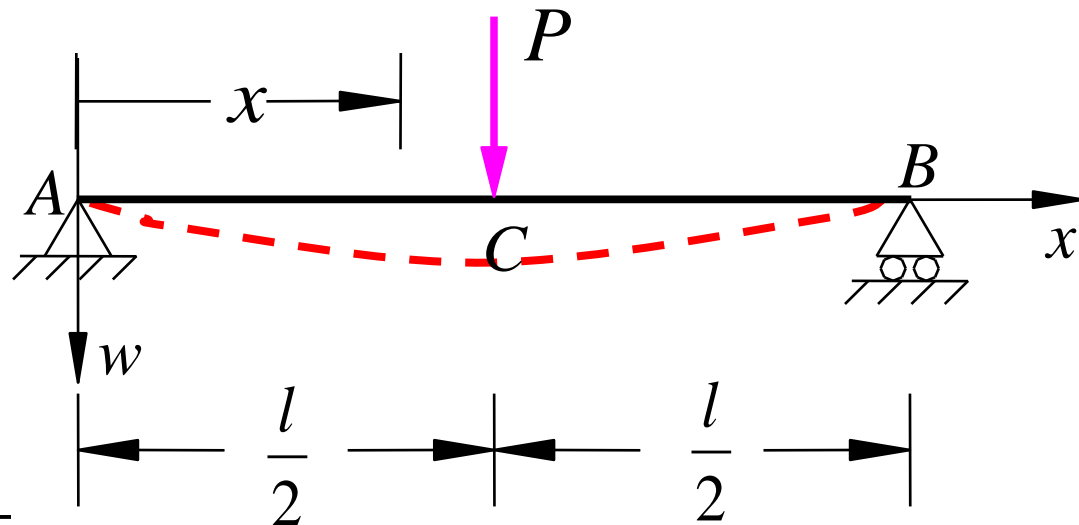
$$\theta = \frac{P}{16EI} (l^2 - 4x^2)$$

$$w = \frac{Px}{48EI} (3l^2 - 4x^2)$$

- Maximum deflection and slope:

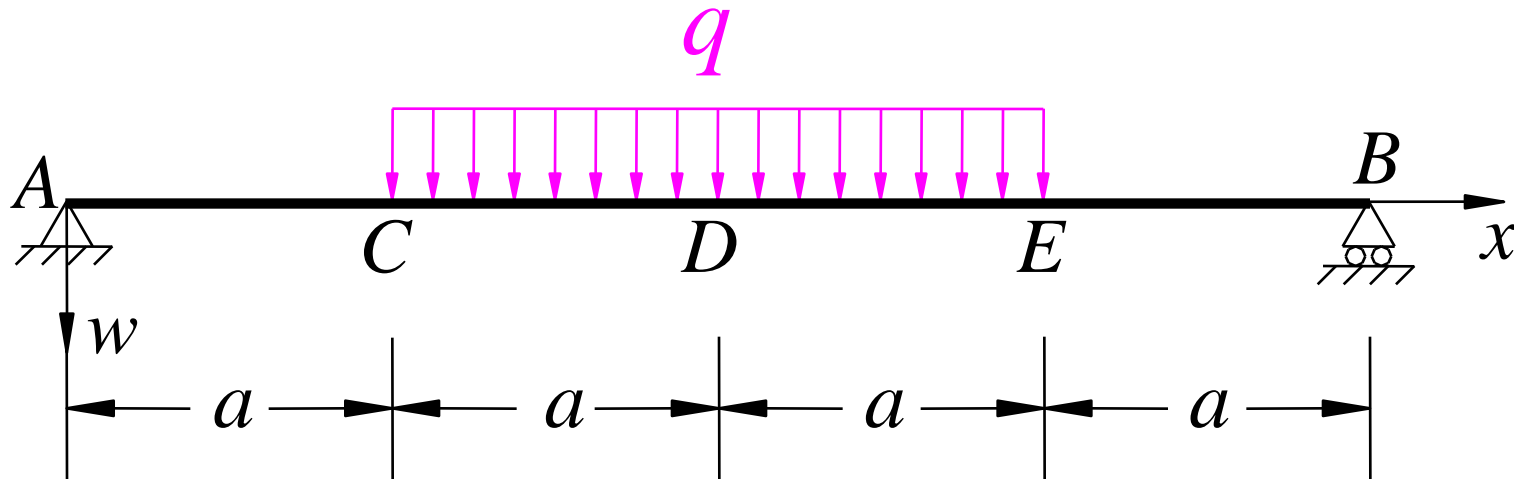
$$\theta_{\max} = \theta_A = -\theta_B = \frac{Pl^2}{16EI}$$

$$w_{\max} = w \Big|_{x=\frac{l}{2}} = \frac{Pl^3}{48EI}$$



# Sample Problem

- Given: a simply supported beam with flexural rigidity  $EI$  is subjected to a uniformly distributed load with density  $q$ , on its central portion as shown
- Find: the equations of deflection and slope, and their maximum values ( $w_{\max}$ ,  $\theta_{\max}$ ).





- Solution

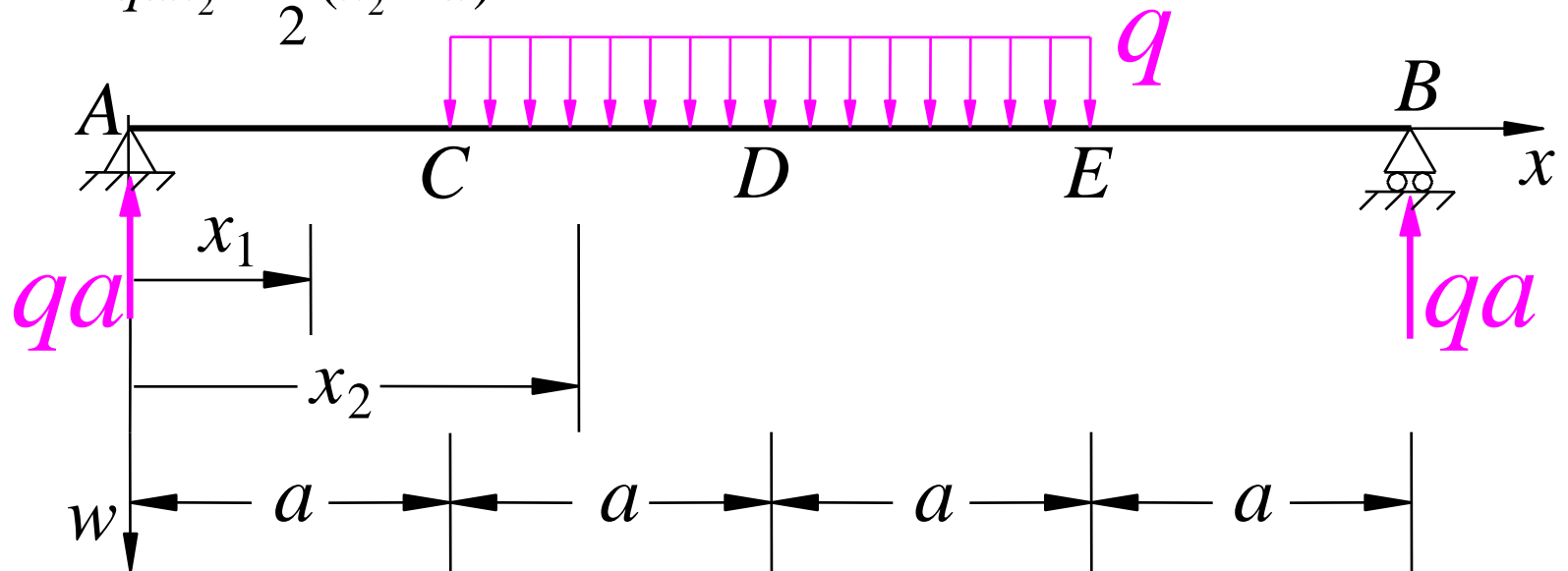
- Thanks to symmetry, it is sufficient to consider only the left half

$$M_1(x_1) = qax_1 \quad (0 \leq x_1 \leq a)$$

$$M_2(x_2) = qax_2 - \frac{q}{2}(x_2 - a)^2 \quad (a \leq x_2 \leq 2a)$$

$$EIw_1'' = -qax_1$$

$$EIw_2'' = -qax_2 + \frac{q}{2}(x_2 - a)^2$$



$$EIw_1'' = -qax_1 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} EIw_1' = -\frac{qa}{2}x_1^2 + C_1 \\ EIw_1 = -\frac{qa}{6}x_1^3 + C_1x_1 + D_1 \end{cases}$$

$$EIw_2'' = -qax_2 + \frac{q}{2}(x_2 - a)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} EIw_2' = -\frac{qa}{2}x_2^2 + \frac{q}{6}(x_2 - a)^3 + C_2 \\ EIw_2 = -\frac{qa}{6}x_2^3 + \frac{q}{24}(x_2 - a)^4 + C_2x_2 + D_2 \end{cases}$$

- Due to symmetry:  $w_2'(x_2 = 2a) = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{11}{6}qa^3$

- Constraint condition:  $w_1(x_1 = 0) = 0 \Rightarrow D_1 = 0$

- Continuity conditions:

$$w_1'(x_1 = a) = w_2'(x_2 = a) \Rightarrow C_1 = C_2, \quad D_1 = D_2$$

- Equations of deflection and slope:

$$\theta_1 = \frac{qa}{6EI} (11a^2 - 3x_1^2) \quad 0 \leq x_1 \leq a$$

$$\theta_2 = \frac{q}{6EI} [-3ax_2^2 + (x_2 - a)^3 + 11a^3] \quad a \leq x_2 \leq 2a$$

$$w_1 = \frac{qa}{6EI} (11a^2x_1 - x_1^3) \quad 0 \leq x_1 \leq a$$

$$w_2 = \frac{q}{24EI} [-4ax_2^3 + (x_2 - a)^4 + 44a^3x_2] \quad a \leq x_2 \leq 2a$$

- Maximum deflection and slope:

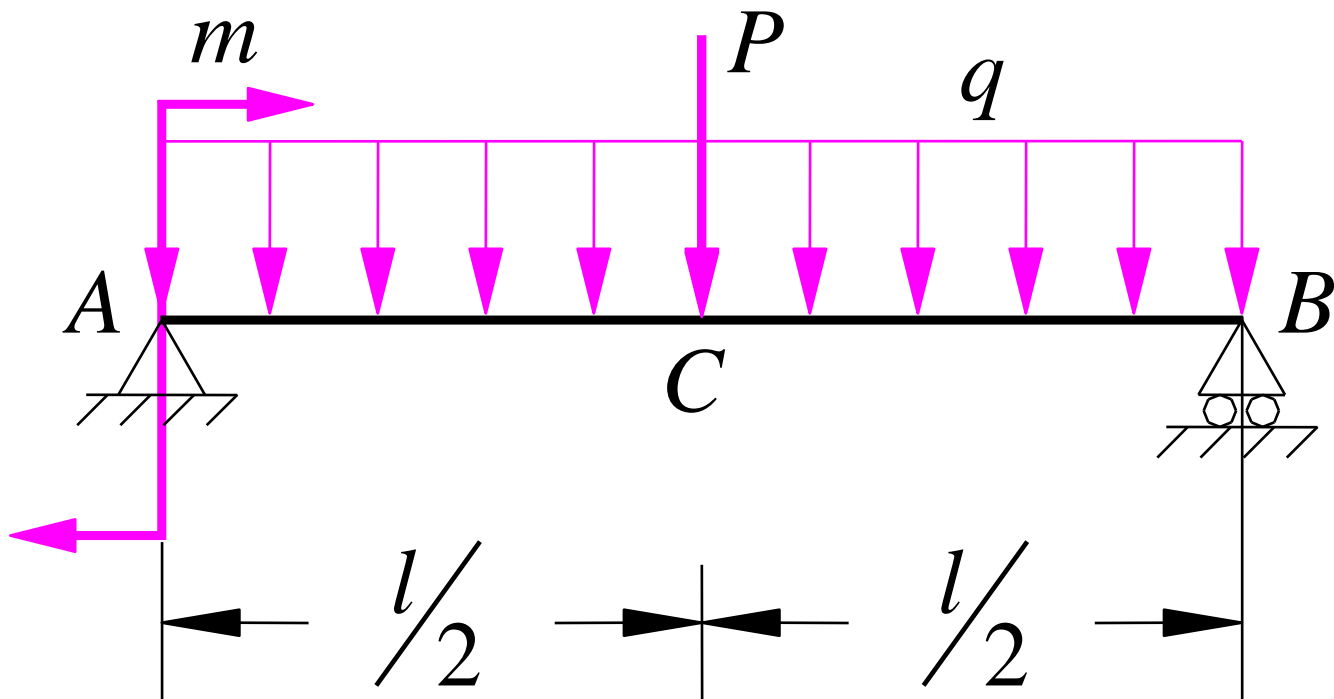
$$\theta_{\max} = \theta_A = \theta_1 \Big|_{x_1=0} = \frac{11qa^3}{6EI}, \quad w_{\max} = w_2 \Big|_{x_2=2a} = \frac{19qa^4}{8EI}$$

# Deflection and Slope by Superposition

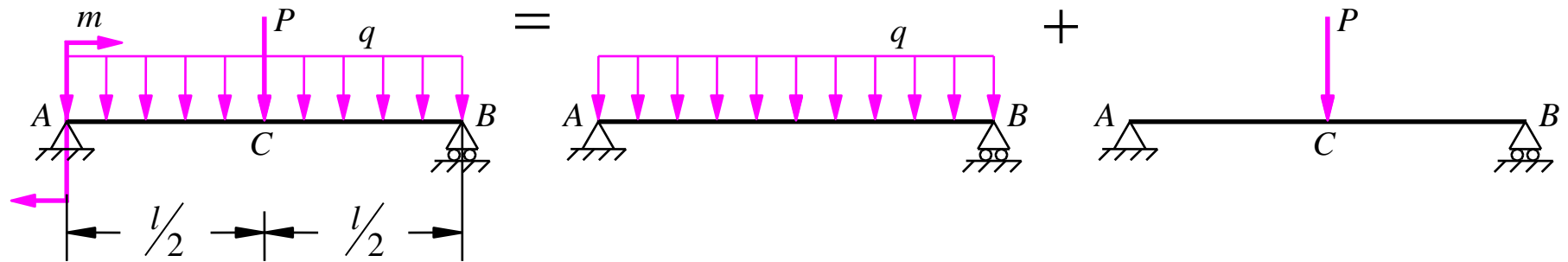
- **Superposition of Loads:**
- Deformation of beams subjected to combinations of loads may be obtained as the linear combination of the deformations due to individual loads.
  - Beam material obeys linearly elastic Hooke's law.
  - No interactions exist among deformations induced by individual loads.
  - Procedure is facilitated by tables of solutions for common types of loadings and supports.

# Sample Problem

- Using method of superposition to find the deflection at section  $C$  and the slopes at sections  $A$  and  $B$ .



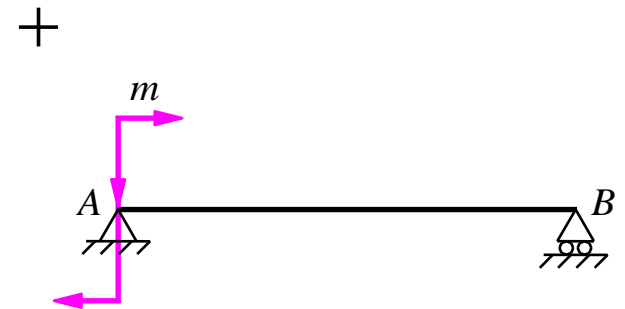
- Solution:
- Superpose the deformations due to the uniformly distributed load ( $q$ ), the concentrated load ( $P$ ) and the concentrated moment ( $m$ ).



$$w_C = \frac{5ql^4}{384EI} + \frac{Pl^3}{48EI} + \frac{ml^2}{16EI}$$

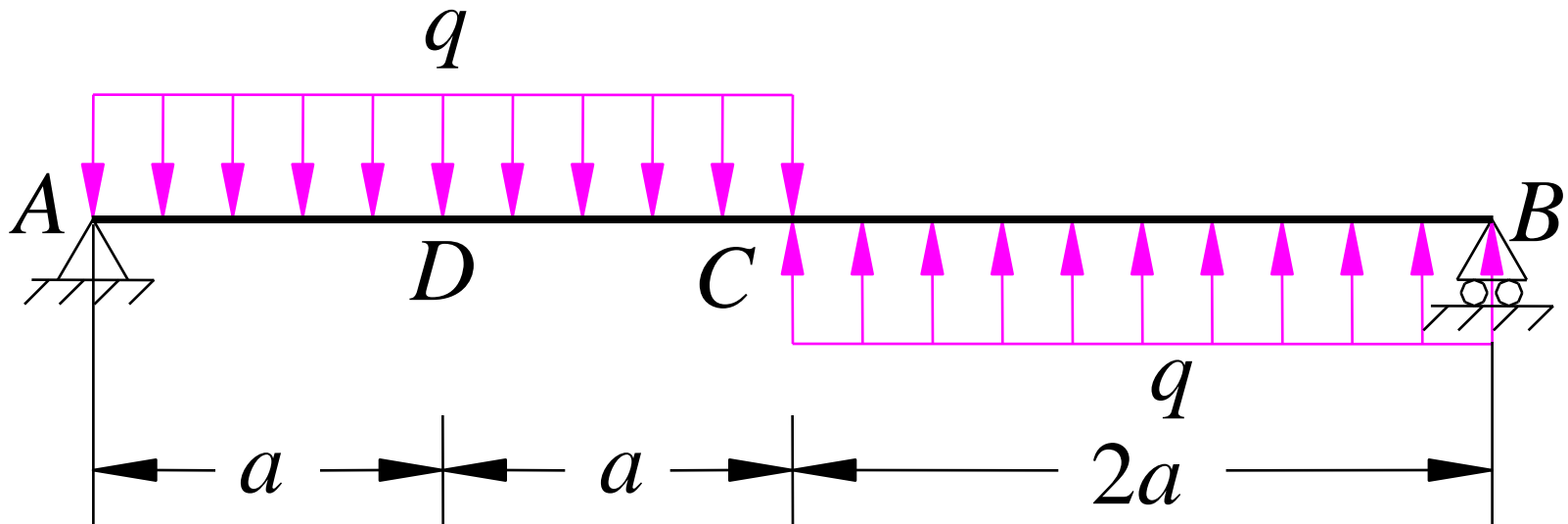
$$\theta_A = \frac{ql^3}{24EI} + \frac{Pl^2}{16EI} + \frac{ml}{3EI}$$

$$\theta_B = -\frac{ql^3}{24EI} - \frac{Pl^2}{16EI} - \frac{ml}{6EI}$$

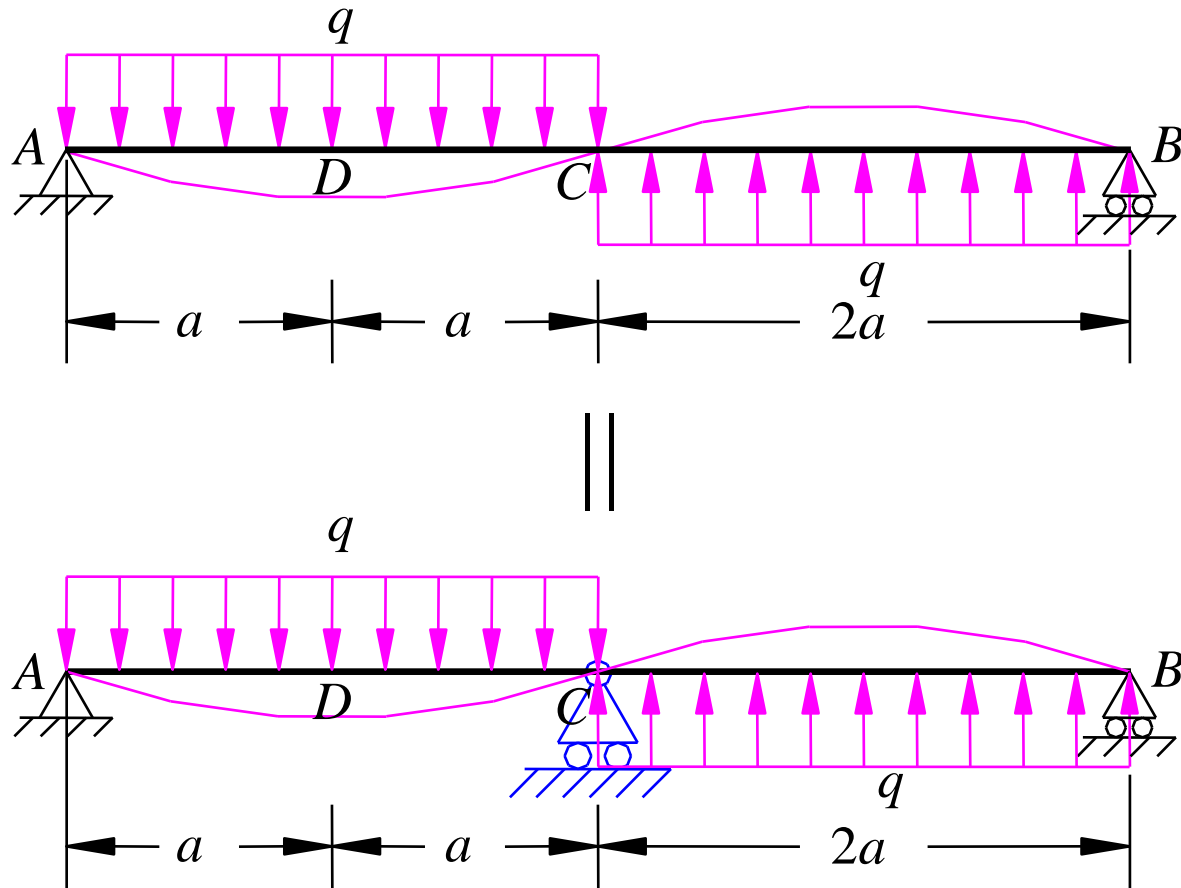


# Sample Problem

- Find the deflections at sections  $C$  and  $D$ .



- Solution

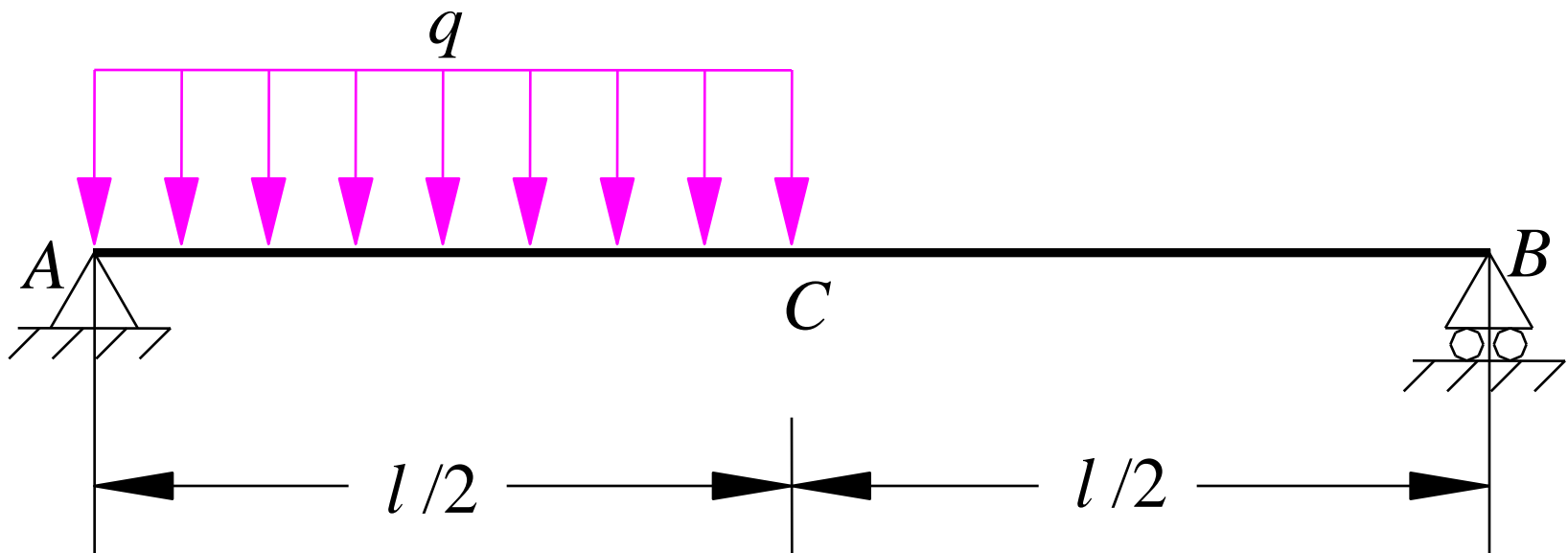


$$w_C = 0, \quad w_D = \frac{5q(2a)^4}{384EI} = \frac{5qa^4}{24EI}$$

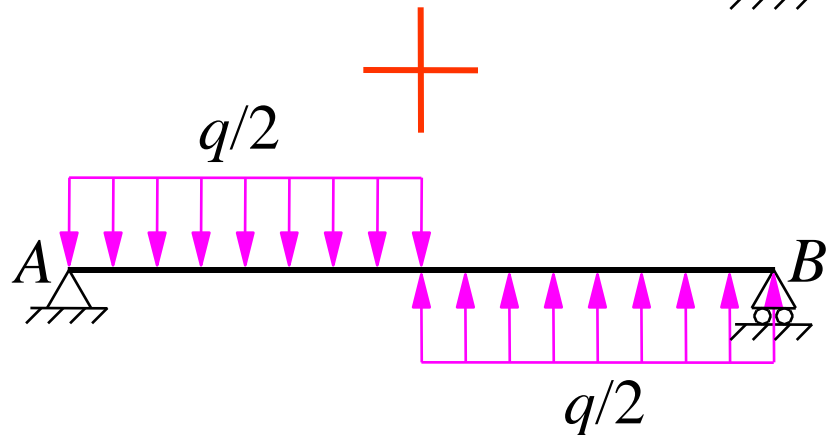
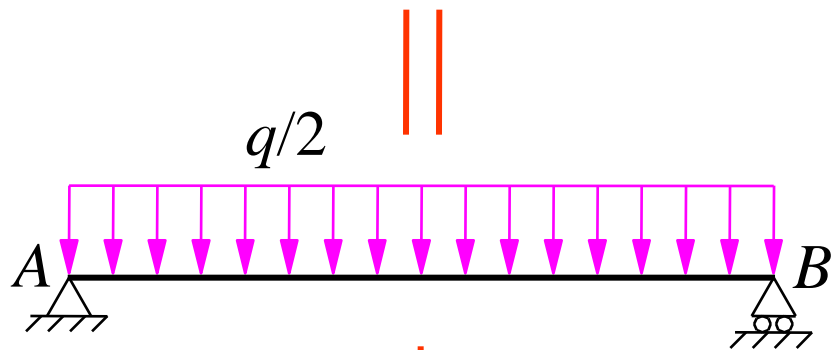
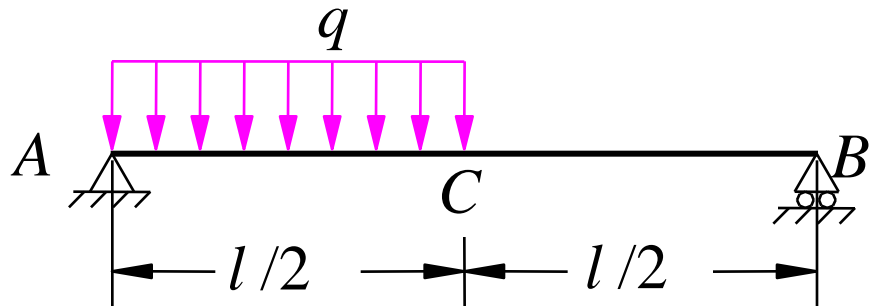


# Sample Problem

- Find the deflection at section  $C$  and the slope at section  $B$ .



- Solution



$$\theta_B = -\frac{\left(\frac{q}{2}\right)l^3}{24EI}$$

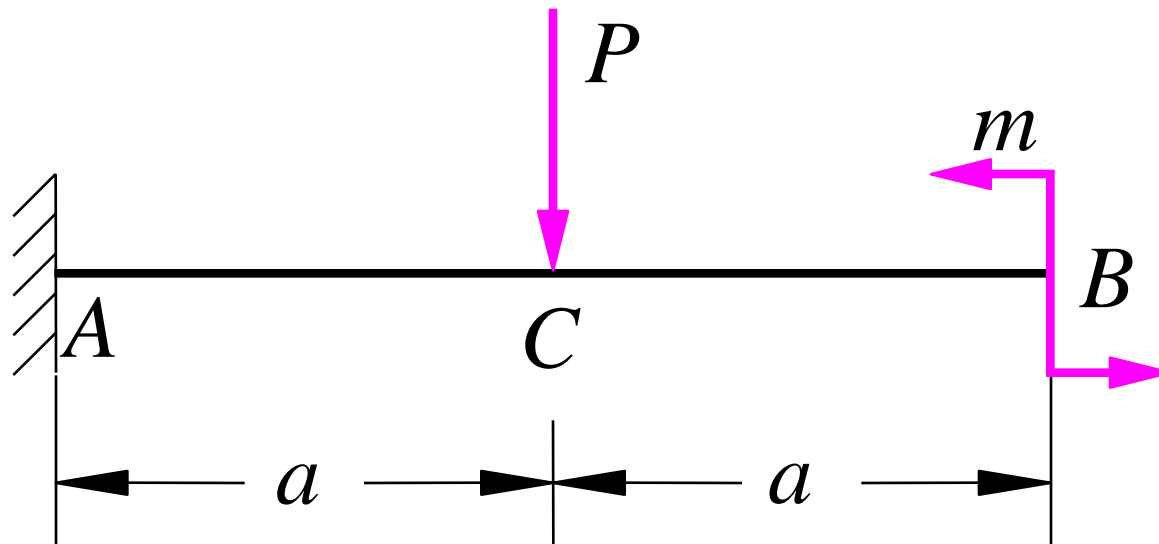
$$w_C = w\Big|_{x=\frac{l}{2}} = \frac{5\left(\frac{q}{2}\right)l^4}{384EI}$$

$$\theta_B = -\frac{\left(-\frac{q}{2}\right)\left(\frac{l}{2}\right)^3}{24EI}$$

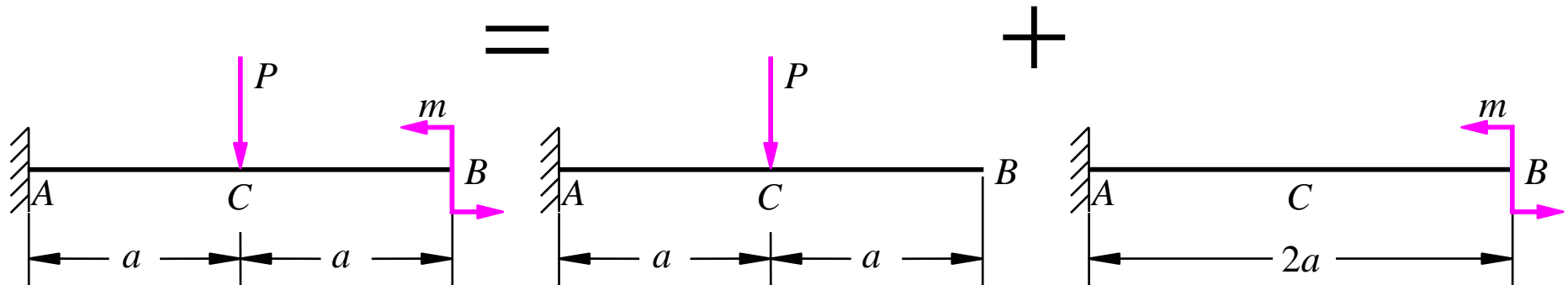
$$w_C = 0$$

# Sample Problem

- Given  $\theta_B = 0$ , determine the relationship between  $m$  and  $P$ .



- Solution:



$$\theta_B = \frac{Pa^2}{2EI} - \frac{m \cdot 2a}{EI} = 0$$

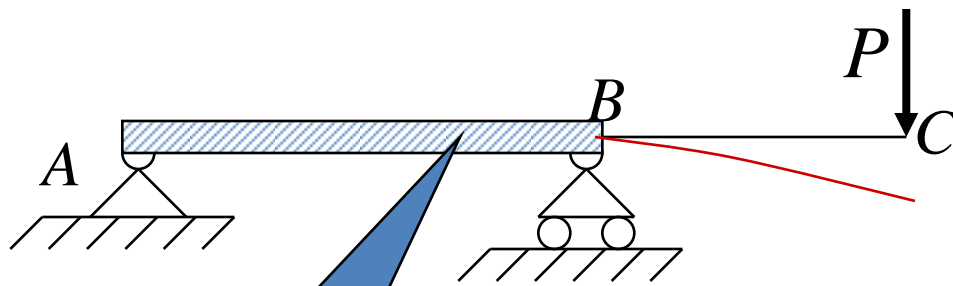
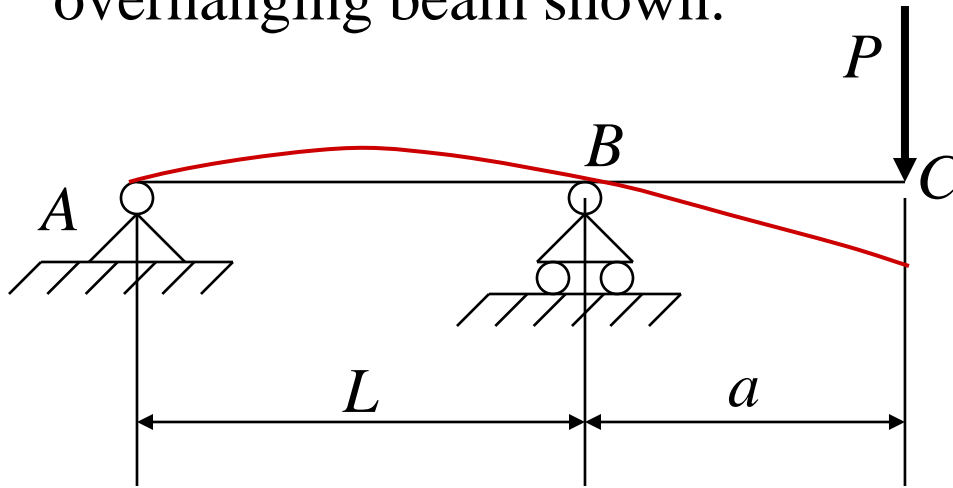
$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{Pa}{4}$$

# Deflection and Slope by Superposition

- **Superposition of Rigidized Structures:**
- Applicable to multi-span beams
- The total deflection of a multi-span beam under a given loading condition can be determined by superposing several beams corresponding to rigidizing all but one span of the beam, under the exactly same loading condition as the original beam.

# Sample Problem

- Find the deflection at section  $C$  of the simply supported overhanging beam shown.



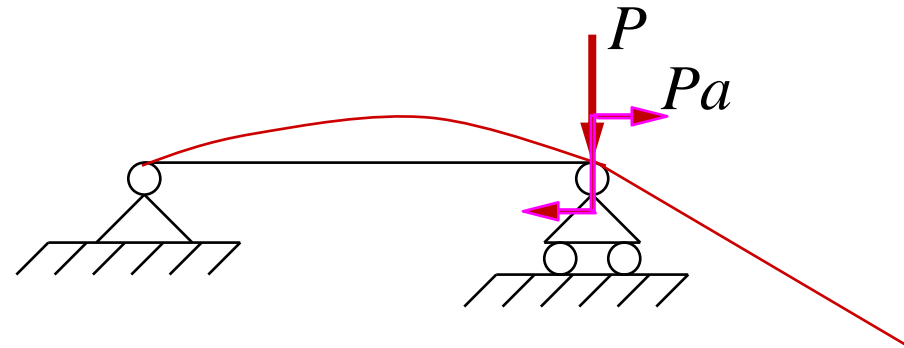
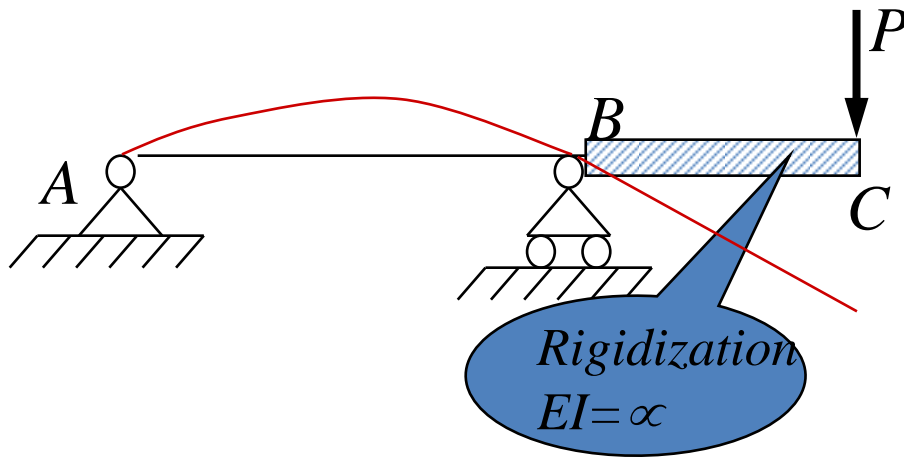
Rigidization  
 $EI = \infty$

- Solution
- Deflection at  $C$  due to rigidization of portion  $AB$

$$w_{c1} = \frac{Pa^3}{3EI}$$

$$\theta_{c1} = \frac{Pa^2}{2EI}$$

- Deflection at C due to rigidization of portion BC



$$w_{c2} = \theta_{B2} \cdot a = \frac{PaL}{3EI} a$$

$$\theta_{C2} = \theta_{B2} = \frac{paL}{3EI}$$

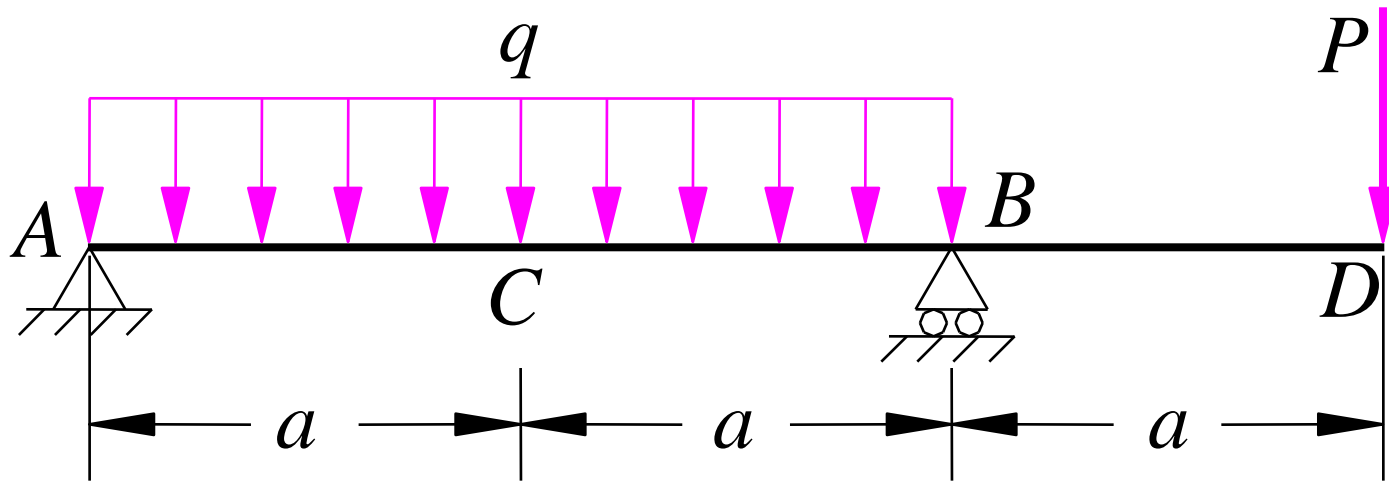
- Total deflection and slope at C:

$$\begin{aligned} w_c &= w_{c1} + w_{c2} \\ &= \frac{Pa^3}{3EI} + \frac{PaL}{3EI} a = \frac{Pa^2(a+L)}{3EI} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_c &= \theta_{c1} + \theta_{c2} \\ &= \frac{Pa^2}{2EI} + \frac{PaL}{3EI} = \frac{Pa}{EI} \left( \frac{a}{2} + \frac{L}{3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

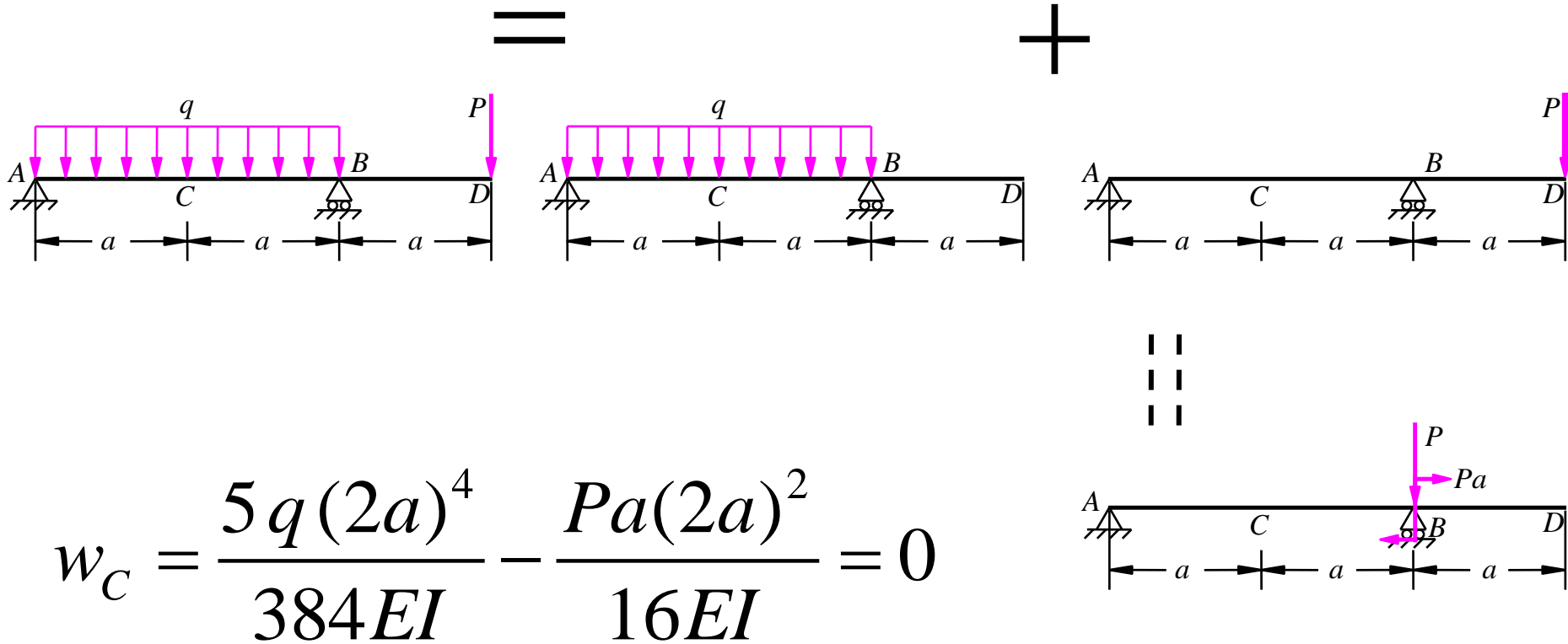
# Superposition of Loads & Rigidized Structures

- Given  $w_C = 0$ , determine the relationship between  $P$  and  $q$ .





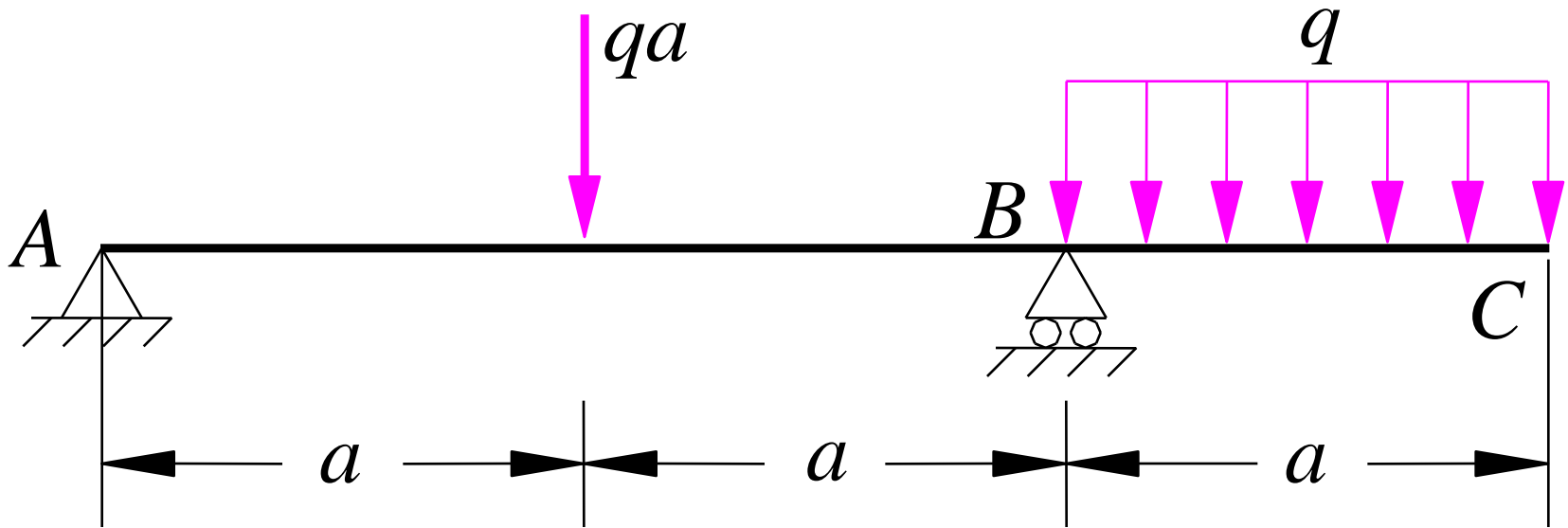
• Solution:



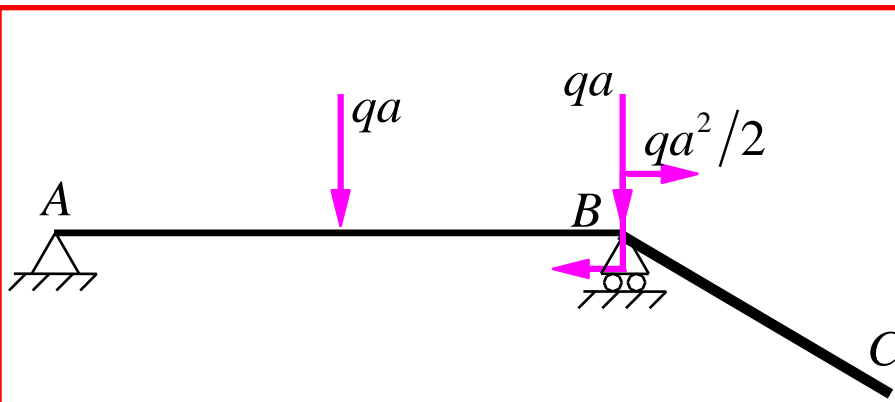
$$\Rightarrow P = \frac{5}{6}qa$$

# Sample Problem

- Using the method of superposition find the deflection and slope at section  $C$  of the beam shown.



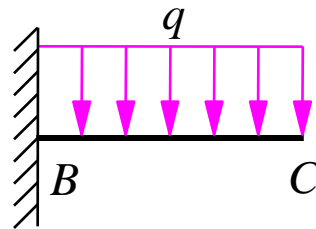
- Solution:



- Rigidizing BC

$$\theta_C = \theta_B = \frac{\frac{qa^2}{2} \cdot 2a}{3EI} - \frac{qa \cdot (2a)^2}{16EI} = \frac{qa^3}{12EI}$$

$$w_C = \theta_B \cdot a = \frac{qa^4}{12EI}$$



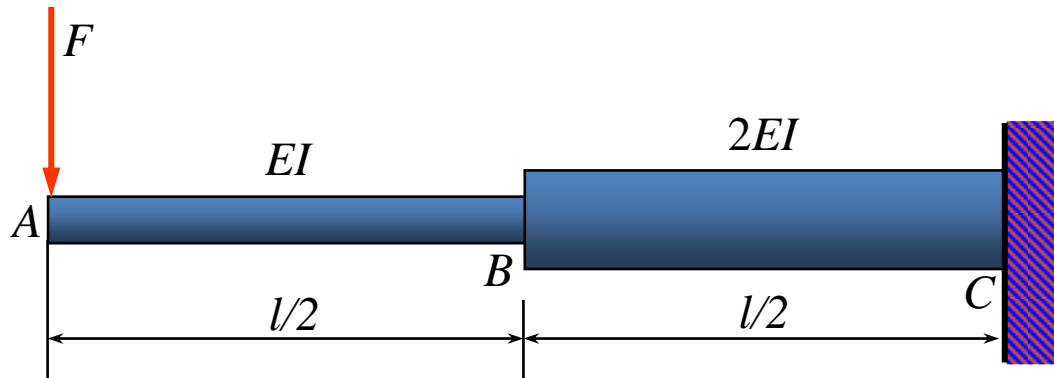
- Rigidizing AB

$$\theta_C = \frac{qa^3}{6EI}, w_C = \frac{qa^4}{8EI}$$

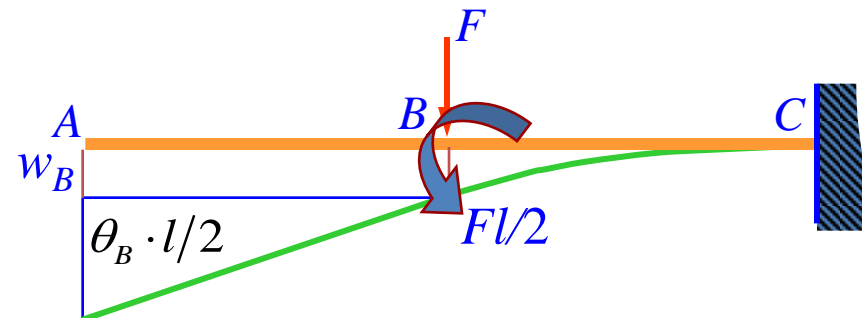
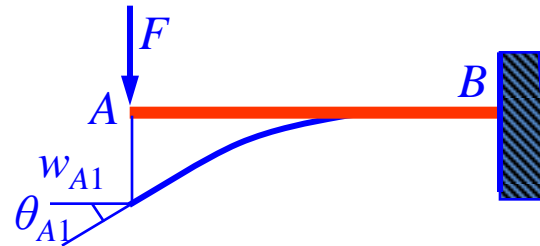
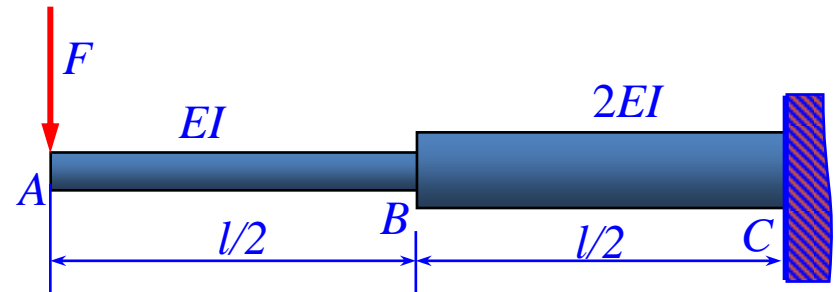
- Total:  $\theta_C = \frac{qa^3}{12EI} + \frac{qa^3}{6EI} = \frac{qa^3}{4EI}$ ,  $w_C = \frac{qa^4}{12EI} + \frac{qa^4}{8EI} = \frac{5qa^4}{24EI}$

# Sample Problem

- A stepped cantilever, as shown, is subjected to a concentrated load  $F$  at its free end. Find the deflection at the free end.



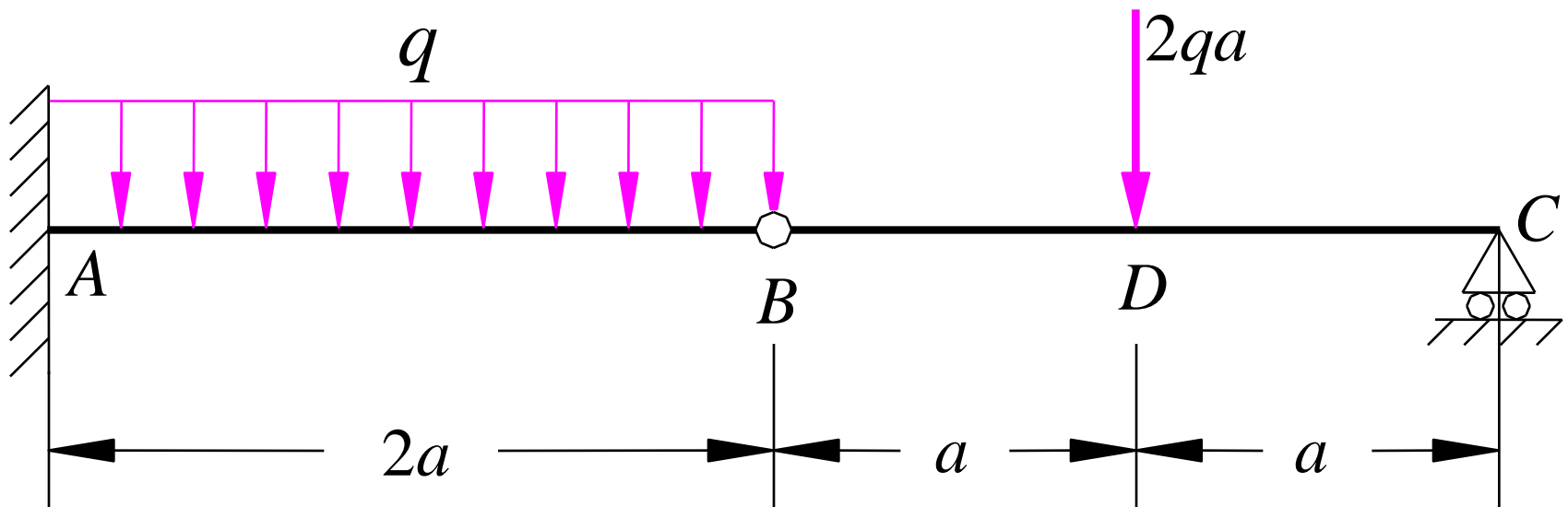
- Solution
- Rigidizing section  $BC$  makes  $AB$  a cantilever subjected to a concentrated load at its free end.
- Rigidizing section  $AB$  makes the whole beam a cantilever.



$$\begin{aligned}
 w_A &= w_{A1} + w_{A2} \\
 &= w_{A1} + w_B + \theta_B \cdot \frac{l}{2} \\
 &= \frac{3Pl^3}{16EI}
 \end{aligned}$$

# Sample Problem

- Find the deflections at sections  $B$  and  $D$  of the beam shown below.



- Solution

- Rigidizing AB

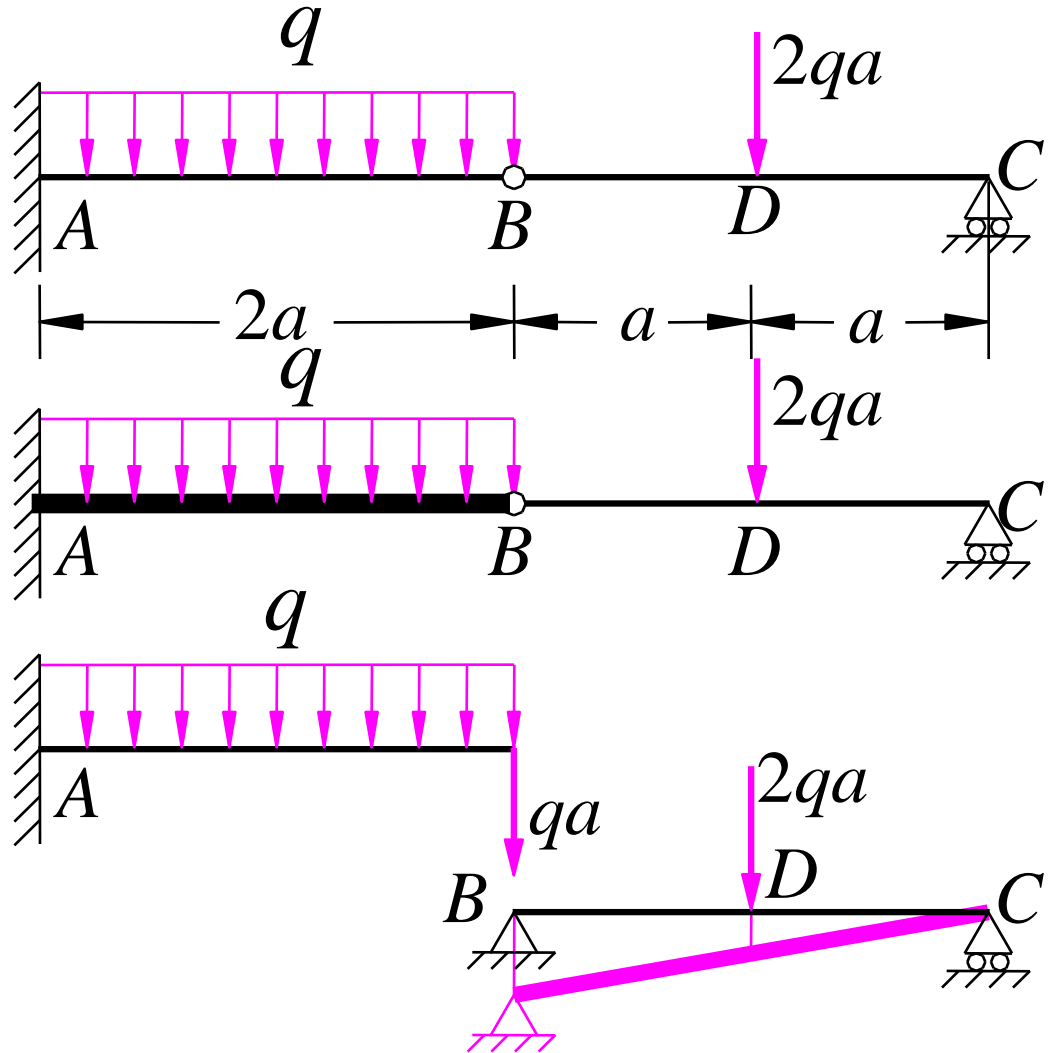
$$w_B = 0, \quad w_D = \frac{2qa(2a)^3}{48EI}$$

- Rigidizing BC

$$w_B = \frac{q(2a)^4}{8EI} + \frac{qa(2a)^3}{3EI} = \frac{14qa^4}{3EI}$$

$$w_D = \frac{w_B}{2} = \frac{7qa^4}{3EI}$$

- Total:  $w_B = \frac{14qa^4}{3EI}, \quad w_D = \frac{7qa^4}{3EI} + \frac{2qa(2a)^3}{48EI} = \frac{8qa^4}{3EI}$



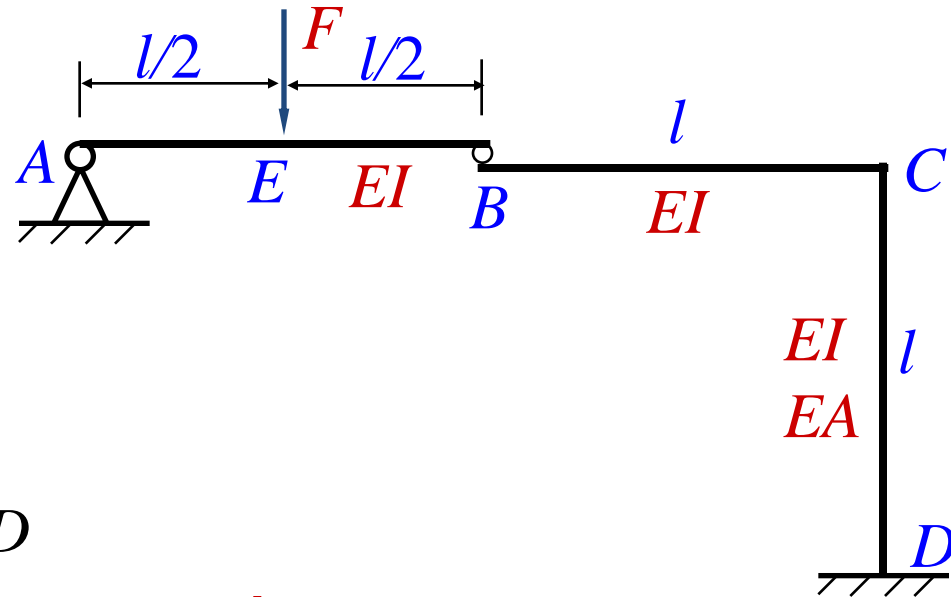
# Sample Problem

- For the structure composed of a beam and a frame shown, find the deflection at the center of the beam  $AB$ .

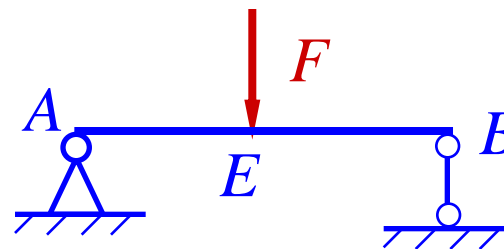
- Solution

- The deflection at section  $E$  is associated with the following deformations:

- Bending of beam  $AB$  itself.
- Bending of  $BC$
- Compression and bending of  $CD$



- Rigidize the frame ( $BC+CD$ )

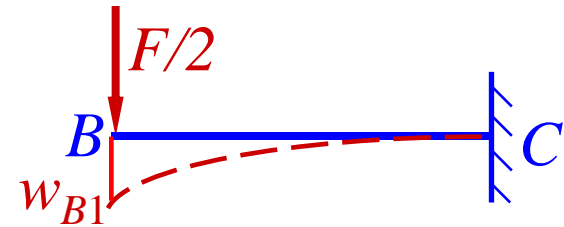


$$w_{E1} = \frac{Fl^3}{48EI}$$



- Rigidize  $AB + CD$

$$w_{E2} = \frac{1}{2} w_{B1} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\frac{F}{2})l^3}{3EI} = \frac{Fl^3}{12EI}$$



- Rigidize  $AB + BC$

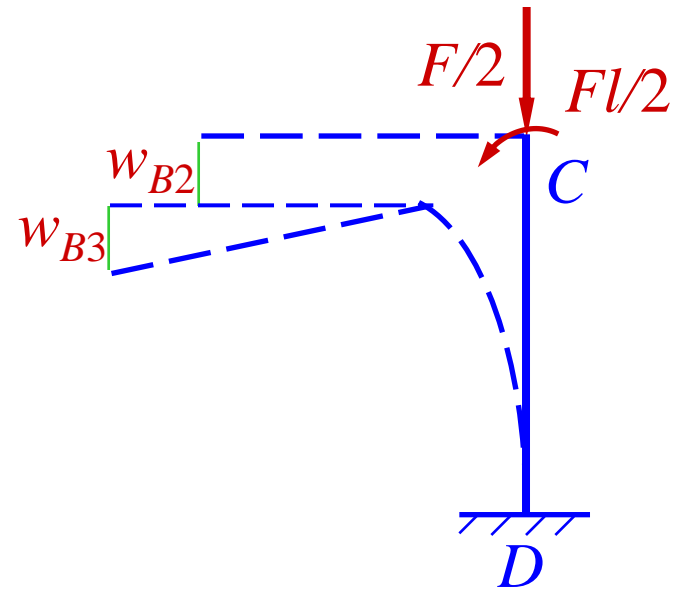
$$w_{E3} = \frac{1}{2} (w_{B2} + w_{B3})$$

$$w_{B2} = \frac{Fl}{2EA}$$

(Deflection at  $B$  due to the compression of  $CD$ )

$$w_{B3} = \theta_C l = \left[ \frac{(\frac{F}{2}l)l}{EI} \right] l = \frac{Fl^3}{2EI}$$

(Deflection at  $B$  due to the bending of  $CD$ )

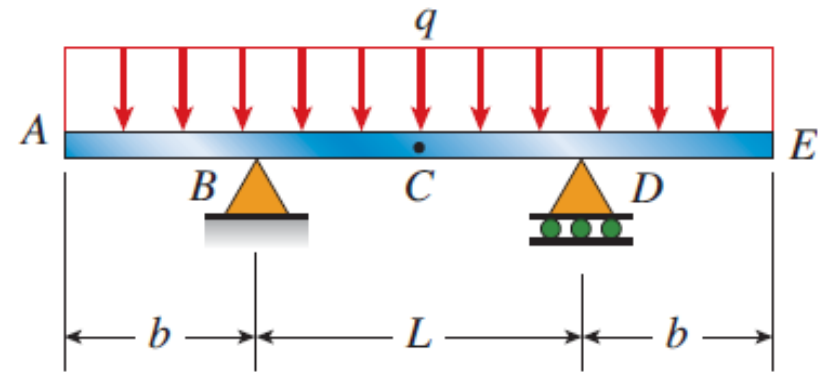
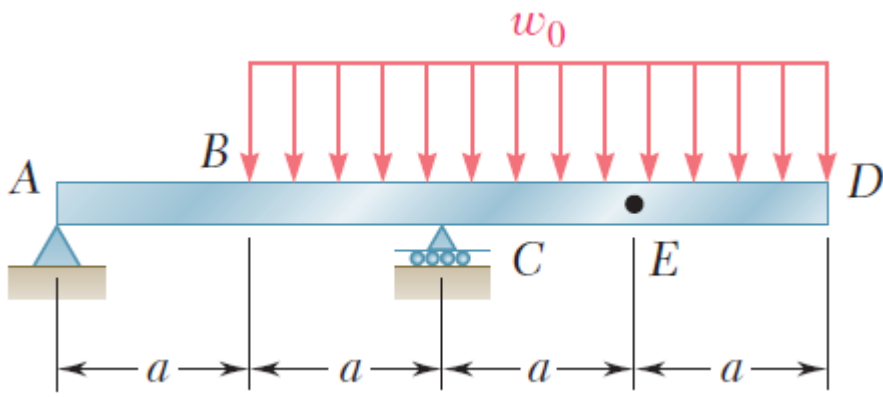
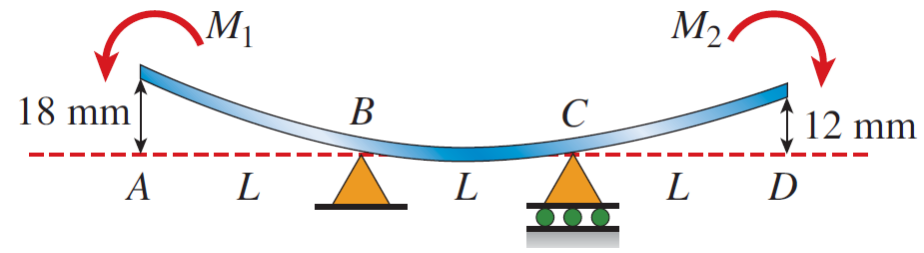
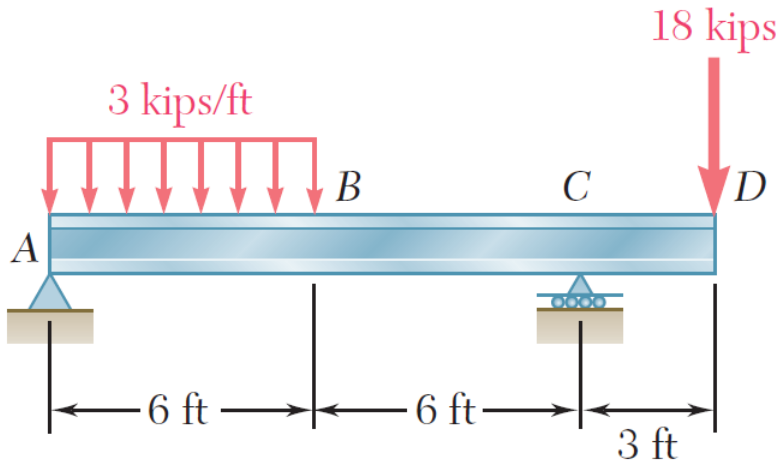
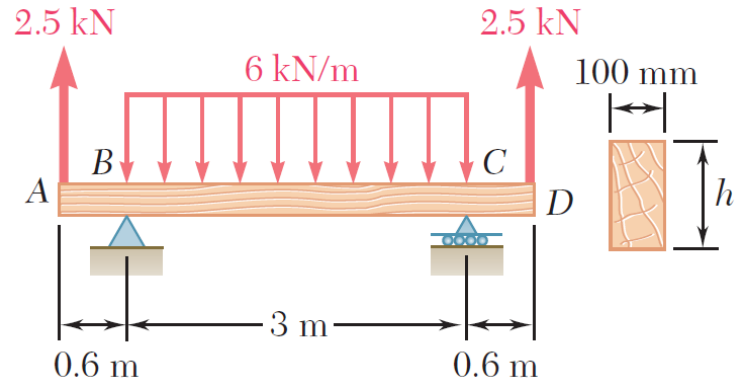
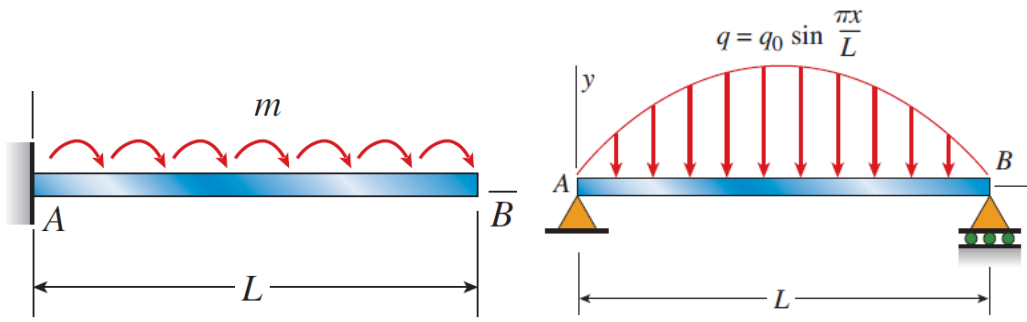


$$\Rightarrow w_{E3} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{Fl}{2EA} + \frac{Fl^3}{2EI} \right)$$

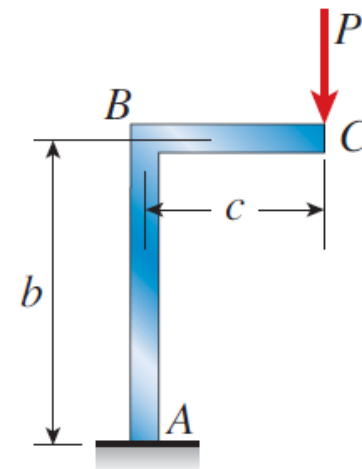
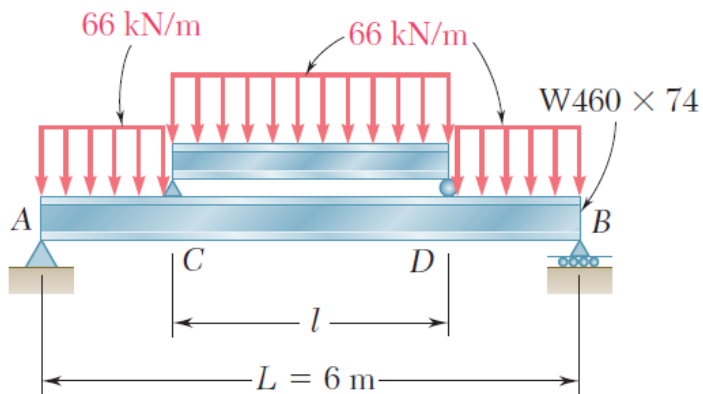
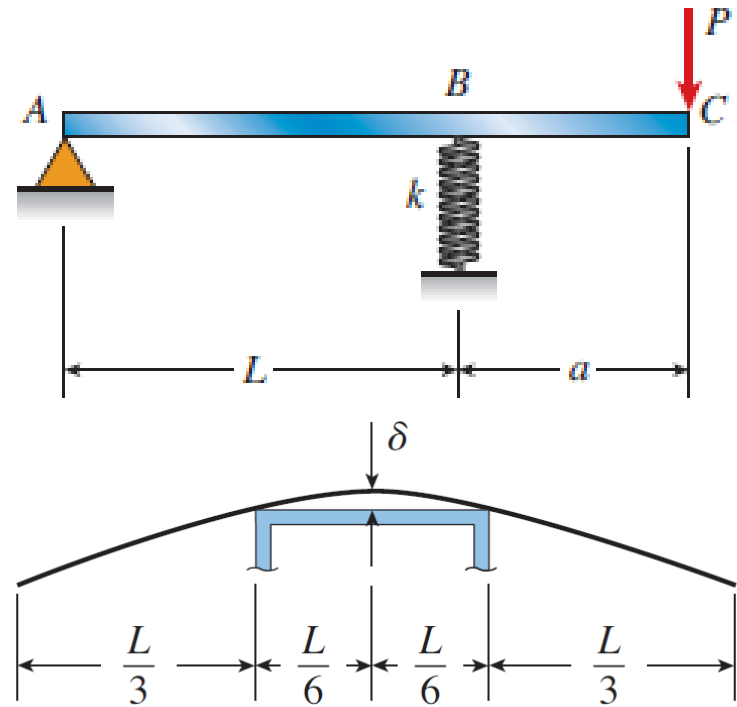
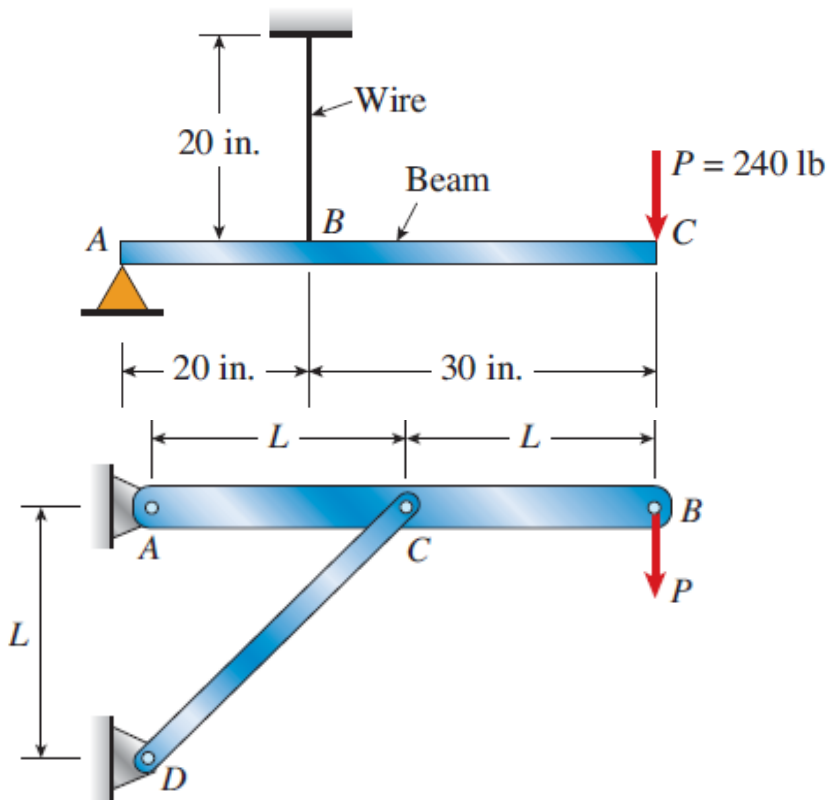
- Deflection at section  $E$  via superposition:

$$\begin{aligned} w_E &= w_{E1} + w_{E2} + w_{E3} = \frac{Fl^3}{EI} \left( \frac{1}{48} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{4} \right) + \frac{Fl}{4EA} \\ &= \frac{17Fl^3}{48EI} + \frac{Fl}{4EA} \end{aligned}$$

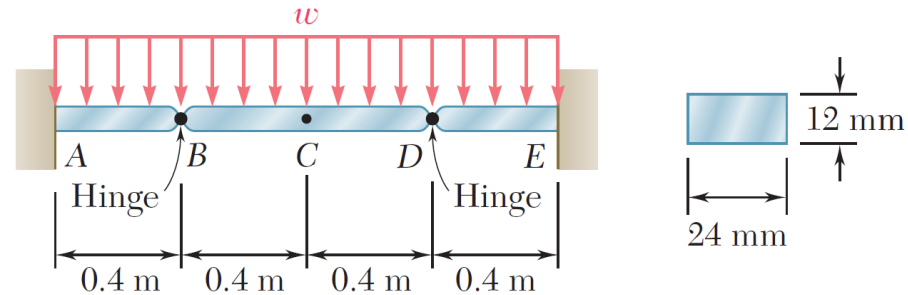
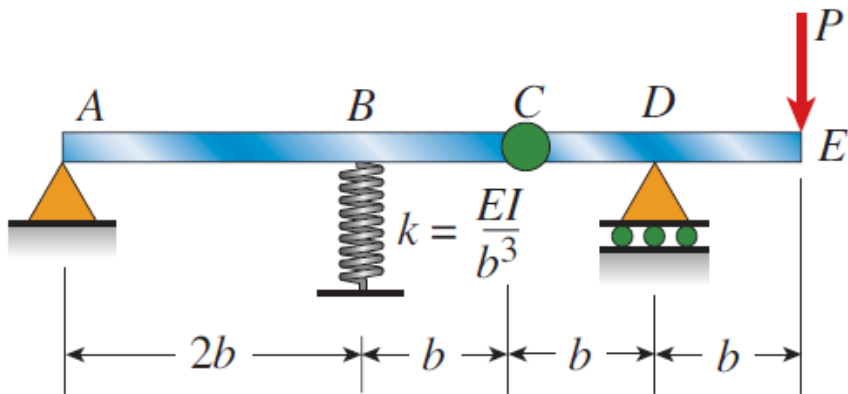
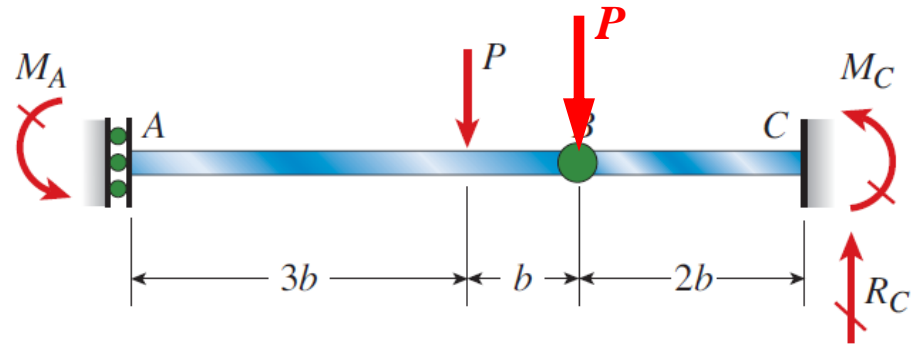
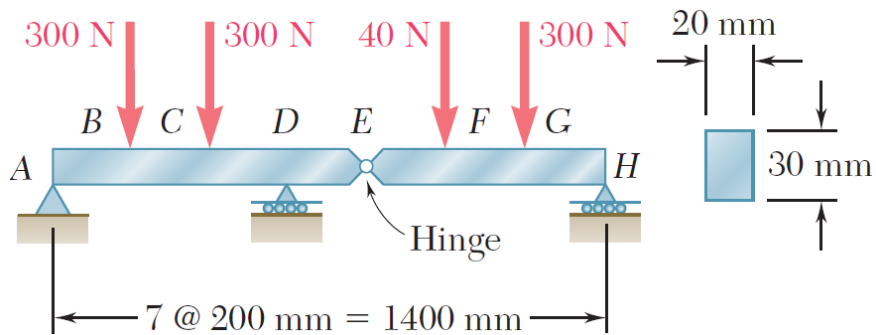
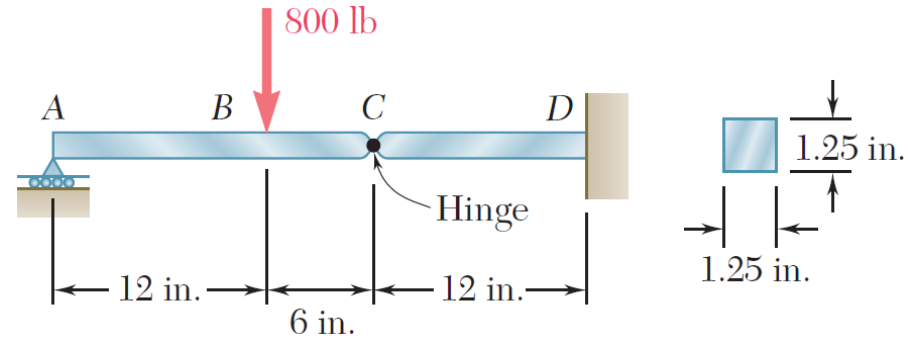
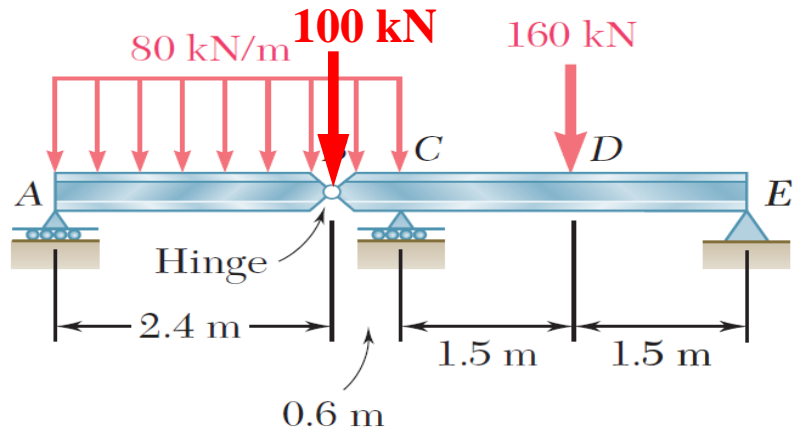
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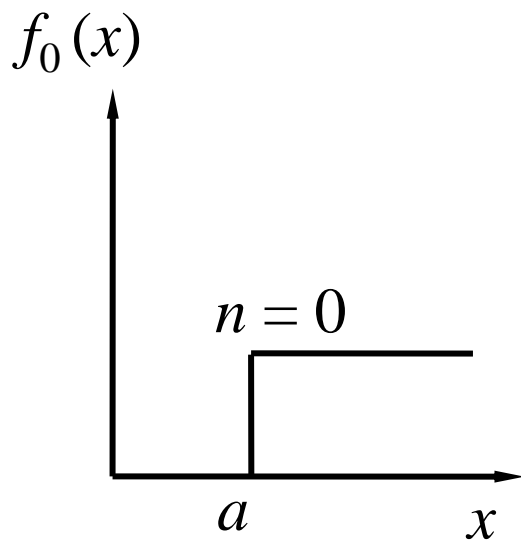


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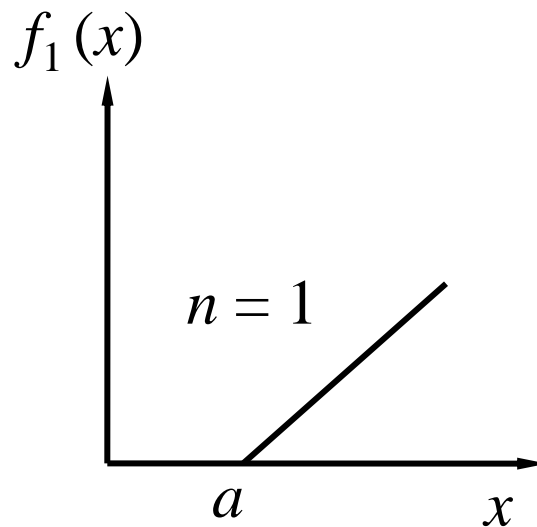


# Singular / Discontinuity Functions

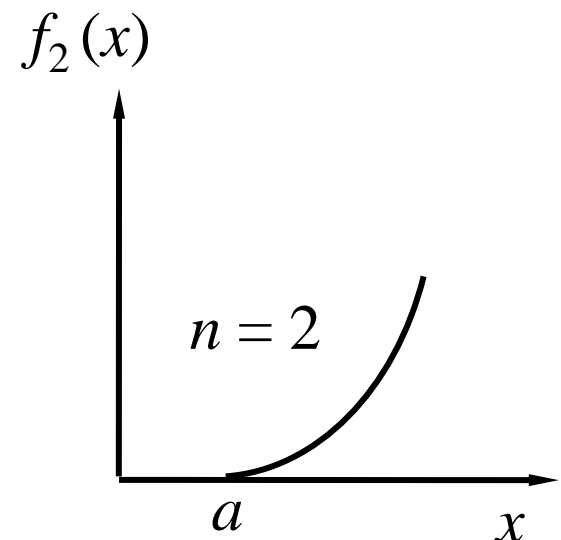
$$f_n(x) = \langle x - a \rangle^n = \begin{cases} (x - a)^n & x \geq a \\ 0 & x < a \end{cases}$$



(a)



(b)



(c)

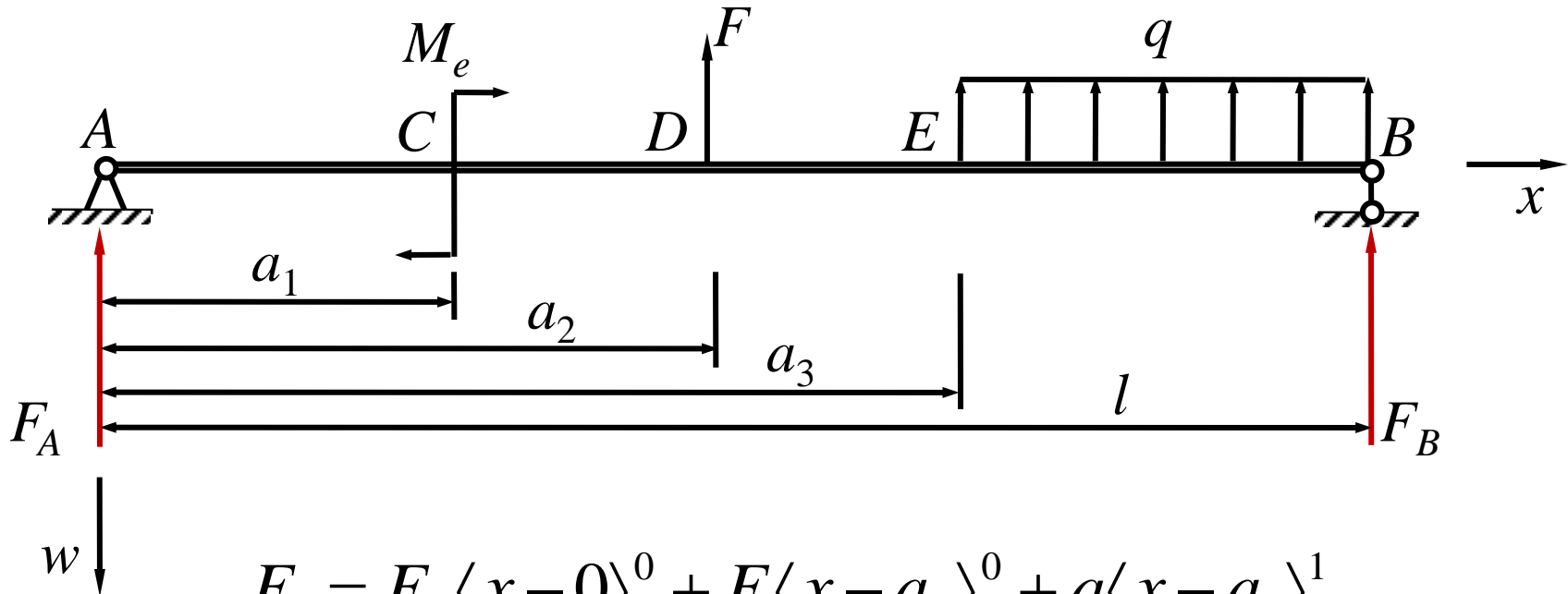
# Calculus of Singular Functions

$$f_n(x) = \langle x - a \rangle^n = \begin{cases} (x - a)^n & x \geq a \\ 0 & x < a \end{cases}$$

$$\int \langle x - a \rangle^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} \langle x - a \rangle^{n+1} + C \quad n \geq 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \langle x - a \rangle^n = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 0 \\ n \langle x - a \rangle^{n-1} & n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

# Equations of Shearing Forces & Bending Moments



$$\begin{aligned}
 F_S &= F_A \langle x-0 \rangle^0 + F \langle x-a_2 \rangle^0 + q \langle x-a_3 \rangle^1 \\
 &= F_A + F \langle x-a_2 \rangle^0 + q \langle x-a_3 \rangle^1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= F_A \langle x-0 \rangle^1 + M_e \langle x-a_1 \rangle^0 + F \langle x-a_2 \rangle^1 + \frac{q}{2} \langle x-a_3 \rangle^2 \\
 &= F_A x + M_e \langle x-a_1 \rangle^0 + F \langle x-a_2 \rangle^1 + \frac{q}{2} \langle x-a_3 \rangle^2
 \end{aligned}$$



# Boundary Conditions

- Denote the shearing force and bending moment at the left boundary as  $F_{S_0}$  and  $M_0$

- Generalized equation of shearing forces

$$F_s(x) = F_{S_0} + F \langle x - a_2 \rangle^0 + q \langle x - a_3 \rangle^1$$

- Generalized equation of bending moment

$$M(x) = M_0 + F_{S_0}x + M_e \langle x - a_1 \rangle^0 + F \langle x - a_2 \rangle^1 + \frac{q}{2} \langle x - a_3 \rangle^2$$

# Deflection and Slope by Singular Functions

$$EIw'' = -M(x)$$

$$M(x) = M_0 + F_{s0}x + M_e \langle x - a_1 \rangle^0 + F \langle x - a_2 \rangle^1 + \frac{q}{2} \langle x - a_3 \rangle^2$$

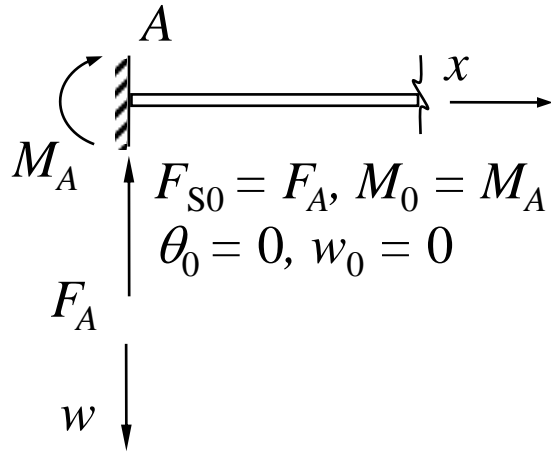
$$EI\theta = -M_0x - \frac{F_{s0}}{2}x^2 - M_e \langle x - a_1 \rangle^1 - \frac{F}{2} \langle x - a_2 \rangle^2 - \frac{q}{6} \langle x - a_3 \rangle^3 + C_1$$

$$EIw = -\frac{M_0}{2}x^2 - \frac{F_{s0}}{6}x^3 - \frac{M_e}{2} \langle x - a_1 \rangle^2 - \frac{F}{6} \langle x - a_2 \rangle^3 - \frac{q}{24} \langle x - a_3 \rangle^4 + C_1x + C_2$$

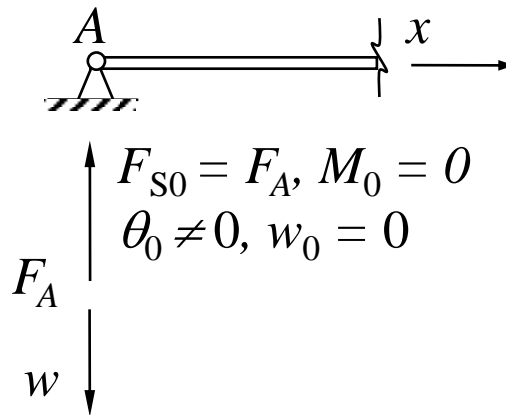
$$C_1 = EI\theta_0, \quad C_2 = EIw_0$$

# Boundary Values

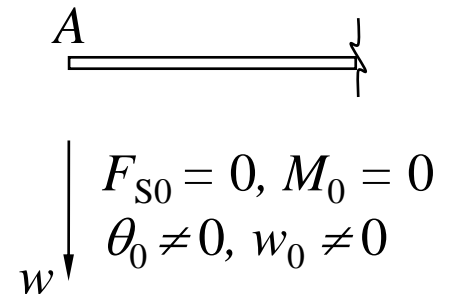
- $F_{S0}$ ,  $M_0$ ,  $\theta_0$  and  $w_0$  denote the boundary values of shearing force, bending moment, deflection and slope



(a) Fixed support



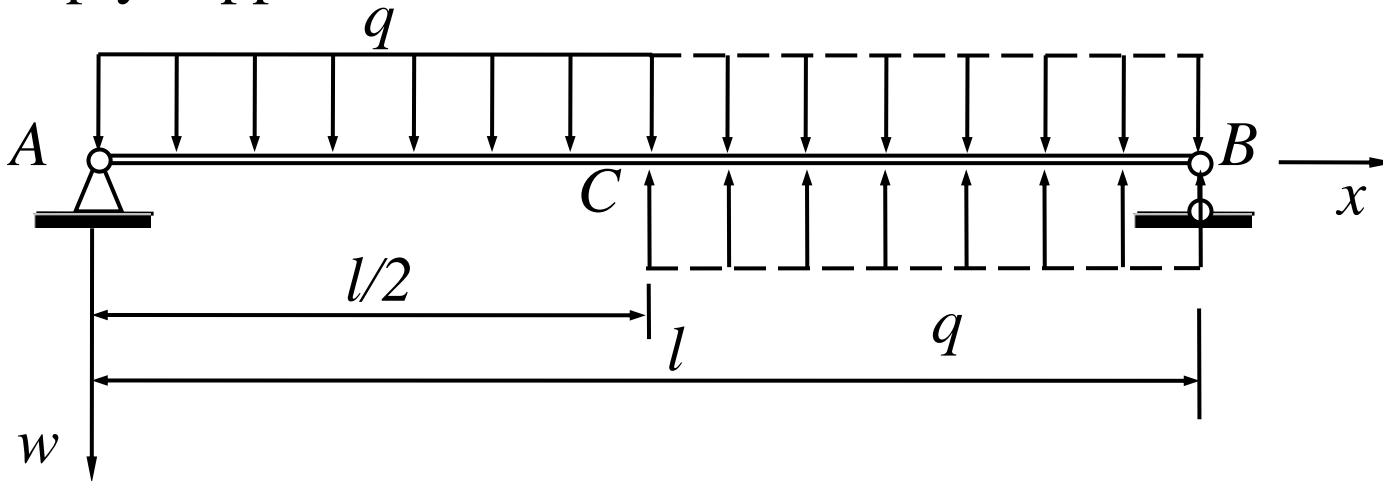
(b) Hinged support



(c) Free end

# Sample Problem

- Find the deflection at section  $C$  and the slopes at sections  $A$  and  $B$  for the simply supported beam shown.



- Solution

## 1. Equations of deflection and slope

$$EI\theta = EI\theta_0 - M_0x - \frac{F_{S0}}{2!}x^2 + \frac{q}{3!}x^3 - \frac{q}{3!}\left\langle x - \frac{l}{2} \right\rangle^3$$

$$EIw = EIw_0 + EI\theta_0x - \frac{M_0}{2!}x^2 - \frac{F_{S0}}{3!}x^3 + \frac{q}{4!}x^4 - \frac{q}{4!}\left\langle x - \frac{l}{2} \right\rangle^4$$

- Determine boundary values

$$F_{S0} = F_A = \frac{3}{8}ql, \quad M_0 = 0, \quad w_0 = 0$$

- Determine  $\theta_0$  from the boundary condition at the movable hinged support  $B$ :

$$0 = EIw|_{x=l} = EI\theta_0 l - \frac{3ql}{8} \cdot \frac{l^3}{6} + \frac{q}{24} l^4 - \frac{q}{24} \frac{l^4}{16} = 0 \Rightarrow \theta_0 = \frac{3ql^3}{128EI}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} EI\theta = \frac{3ql^3}{128} - \frac{3ql}{8} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{q}{6} x^3 - \frac{q}{6} \left\langle x - \frac{l}{2} \right\rangle^3 \\ EIw = \frac{3ql^3 x}{128} - \frac{3ql}{8} \cdot \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{q}{24} x^4 - \frac{q}{24} \left\langle x - \frac{l}{2} \right\rangle^4 \end{cases}$$

2. The Slopes  $\theta_A$  and  $\theta_B$  and the deflection  $w_C$

$$EI\theta = \frac{3ql^3}{128} - \frac{3ql}{8} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{q}{6}x^3 - \frac{q}{6}\left\langle x - \frac{l}{2} \right\rangle^3$$

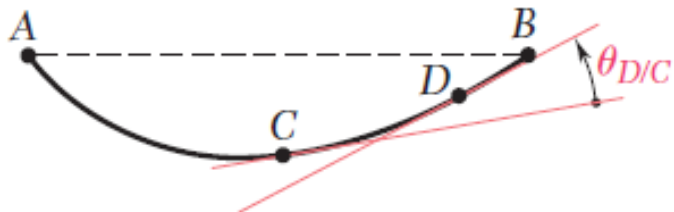
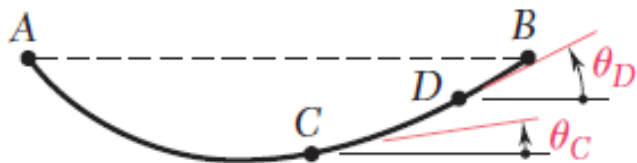
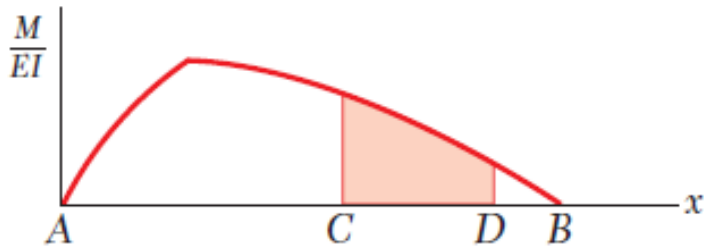
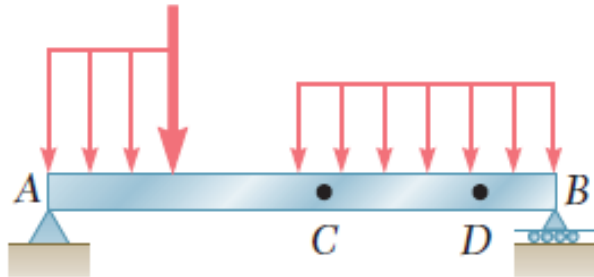
$$EIw = \frac{3ql^3x}{128} - \frac{3ql}{8} \cdot \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{q}{24}x^4 - \frac{q}{24}\left\langle x - \frac{l}{2} \right\rangle^4$$

$$\theta_A = \theta_0 = \frac{3ql^3}{128EI} \curvearrowright$$

$$\theta_B = \theta|_{x=l} = \frac{ql^3}{EI} \left( \frac{3}{128} - \frac{3}{16} + \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{6 \cdot 8} \right) = -\frac{7ql^3}{384EI} \curvearrowright$$

$$w_C = w|_{x=\frac{l}{2}} = \frac{ql^4}{EI} \left( \frac{3}{128 \cdot 2} - \frac{3}{48 \cdot 8} + \frac{1}{24 \cdot 16} \right) = \frac{5ql^4}{768EI} \downarrow$$

# Moment-Area Theorems



- Geometric properties of the elastic curve can be used to determine deflection and slope.
- Consider a beam subjected to arbitrary loading,

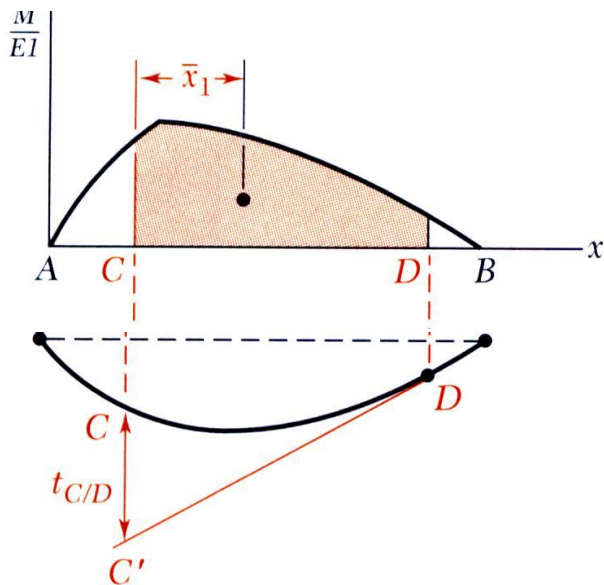
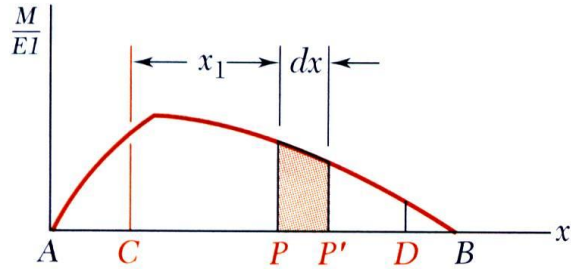
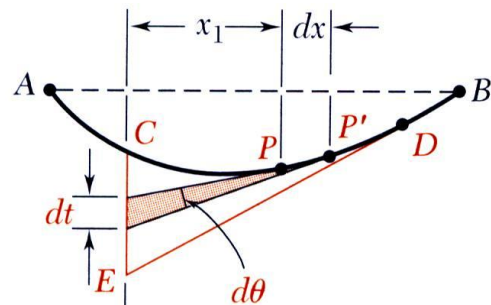
$$\frac{d\theta}{dx} = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{M}{EI} \Rightarrow \int_{\theta_C}^{\theta_D} d\theta = \int_{x_C}^{x_D} \frac{M}{EI} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_D - \theta_C = \int_{x_C}^{x_D} \frac{M}{EI} dx$$

- *First Moment-Area Theorem:*

$\theta_{D/C}$  = area under  $(M/EI)$  diagram between  $C$  and  $D$ .

# Moment-Area Theorems



- Tangents to the elastic curve at  $P$  and  $P'$  intercept a segment of length  $dt$  on the vertical through  $C$ .

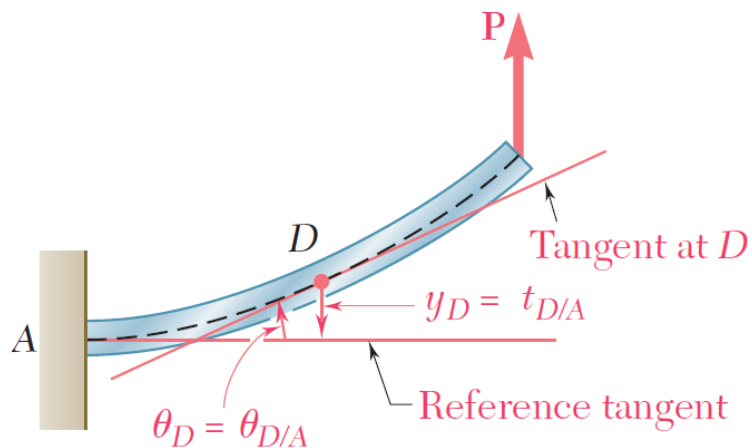
$$dt = x_1 d\theta = x_1 \frac{M}{EI} dx$$

$$t_{C/D} = \int_{x_C}^{x_D} x_1 \frac{M}{EI} dx = \text{tangential deviation of } C \text{ with respect to } D$$

- *Second Moment-Area Theorem:*  
The tangential deviation of  $C$  with respect to  $D$  is equal to the first moment with respect to a vertical axis through  $C$  of the area under the  $(M/EI)$  diagram between  $C$  and  $D$ .



# Application to Cantilevers & Beams under Symmetric Loading

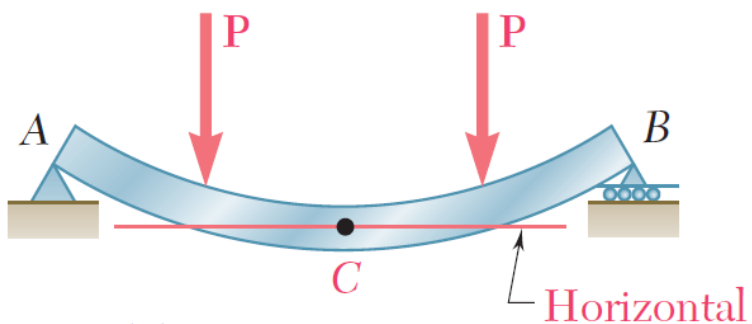


- Cantilever beam - Select tangent at A as the reference.

$$\theta_A = 0, \quad y_A = 0$$

$$\theta_D = \theta_{D/A}$$

$$y_D = t_{D/A}$$



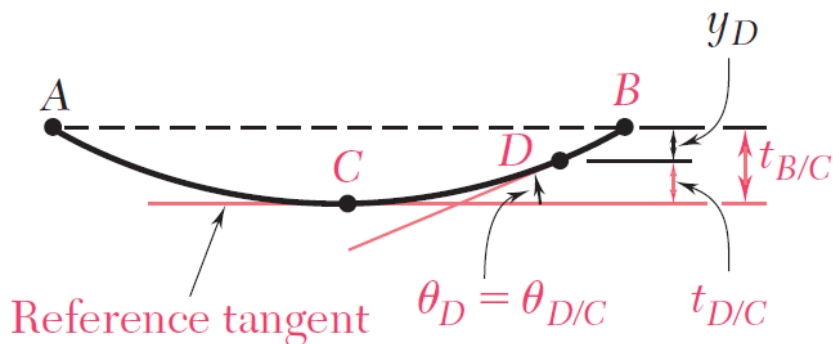
- Simply supported, symmetrically loaded beam - select tangent at C as the reference.

$$\theta_C = 0, \quad y_C = y_{\max}$$

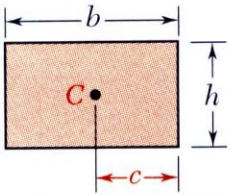
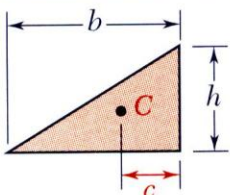
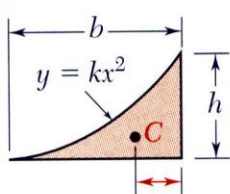
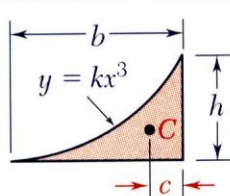
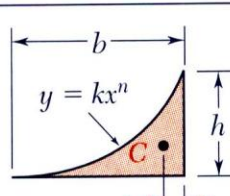
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$$y_B - y_C = -y_C = t_{B/C}$$

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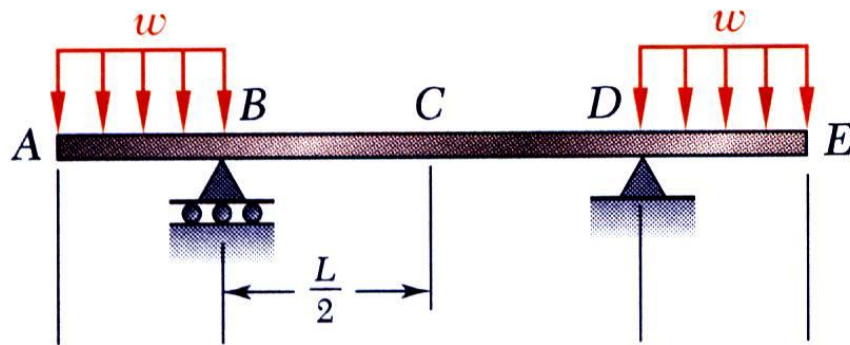


# Bending Moment Diagrams by Parts

Shape		Area	$c$
Rectangle		$bh$	$\frac{b}{2}$
Triangle		$\frac{bh}{2}$	$\frac{b}{3}$
Parabolic spandrel		$\frac{bh}{3}$	$\frac{b}{4}$
Cubic spandrel		$\frac{bh}{4}$	$\frac{b}{5}$
General spandrel		$\frac{bh}{n+1}$	$\frac{b}{n+2}$

- Determination of the change of slope and the tangential deviation is simplified if the effect of each load is evaluated separately.
- Construct a separate ( $M/EI$ ) diagram for each load.
  - The change of slope,  $\theta_{D/C}$ , is obtained by adding the areas under the diagrams.
  - The tangential deviation,  $t_{D/C}$  is obtained by adding the first moments of the areas with respect to a vertical axis through  $D$ .
- Bending moment diagram constructed from individual loads is said to be *drawn by parts*.

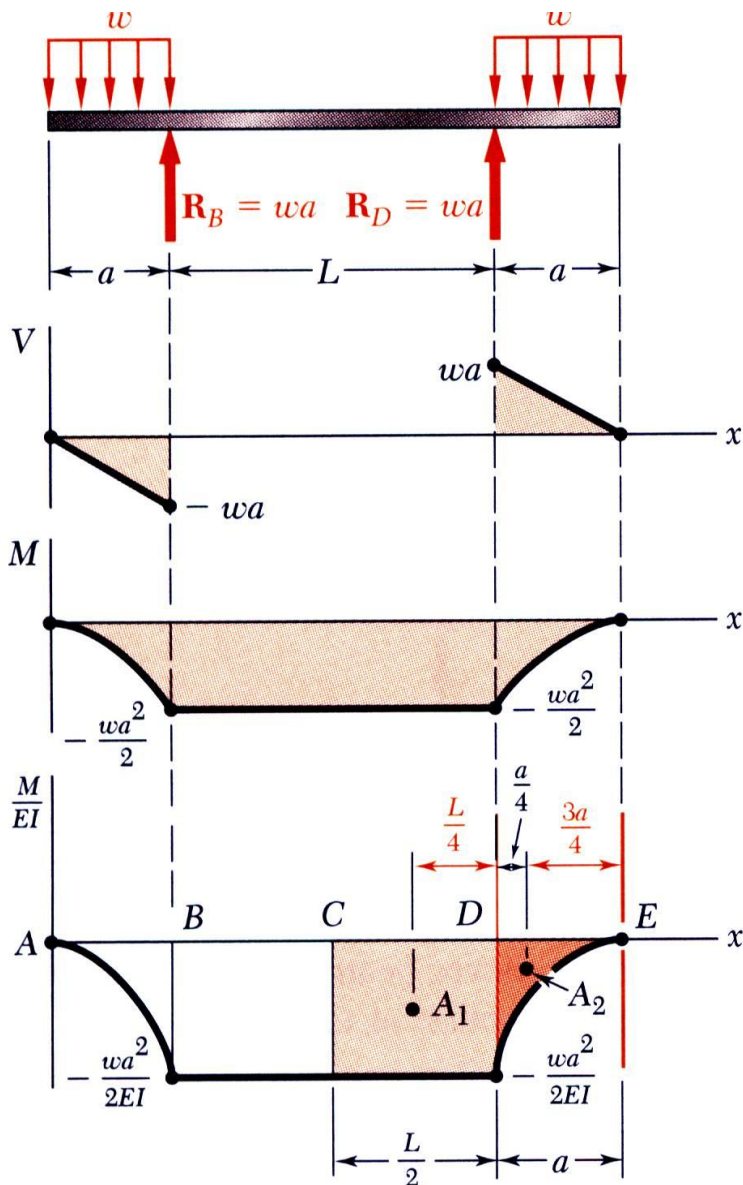
# Sample Problem



For the prismatic beam shown, determine the deflection and slope at  $E$ .

SOLUTION:

- Determine the reactions at supports.
- Construct shear, bending moment and  $(M/EI)$  diagrams.
- Taking the tangent at  $C$  as the reference, evaluate the slope and tangential deviations at  $E$ .



## SOLUTION:

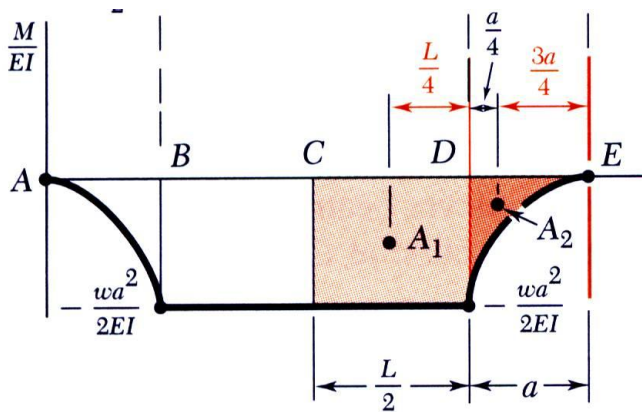
- Determine the reactions at supports.

$$R_B = R_D = wa$$

- Construct shear, bending moment and  $(M/EI)$  diagrams.

$$A_1 = -\frac{wa^2}{2EI} \left( \frac{L}{2} \right) = -\frac{wa^2 L}{4EI}$$

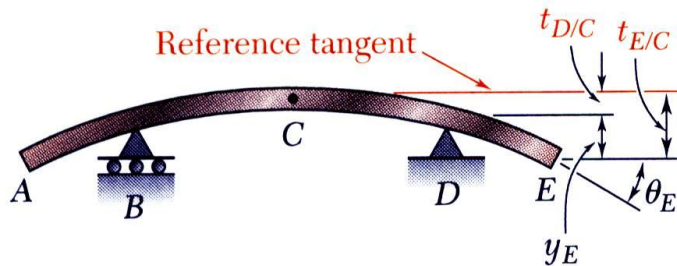
$$A_2 = -\frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{wa^2}{2EI} \right) (a) = -\frac{wa^3}{6EI}$$



- Slope at  $E$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_E &= \theta_C + \theta_{E/C} = \theta_{E/C} \\ &= A_1 + A_2 = -\frac{wa^2L}{4EI} - \frac{wa^3}{6EI}\end{aligned}$$

$$\theta_E = -\frac{wa^2}{12EI}(3L + 2a)$$



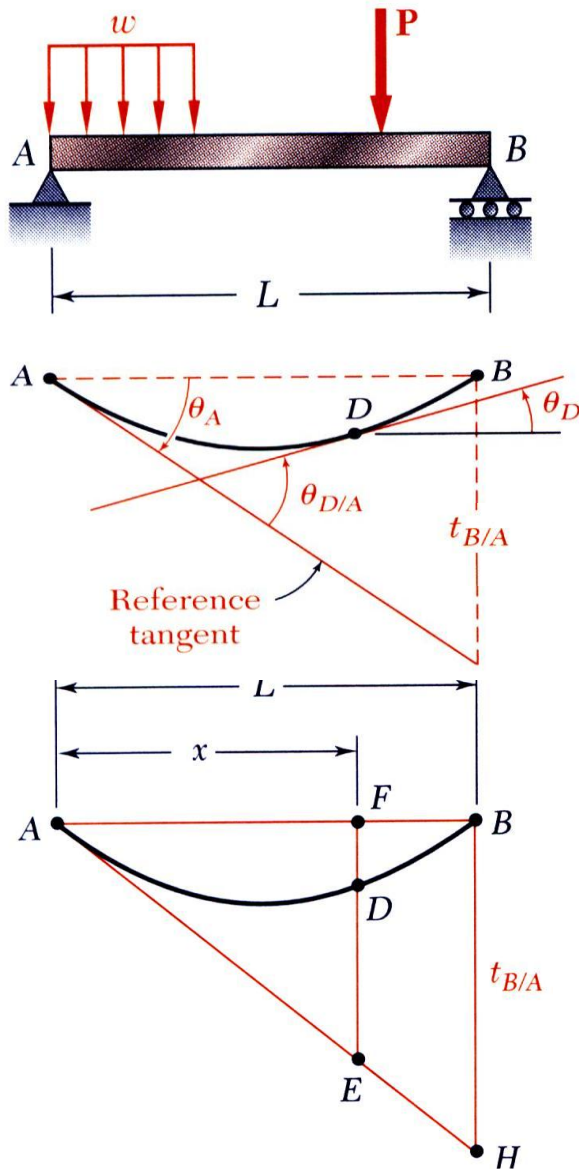
- Deflection at  $E$ :

$$y_E = t_{E/D} = t_{E/C} - t_{D/C}$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \left[ A_1 \left( a + \frac{L}{4} \right) + A_2 \left( \frac{3a}{4} \right) \right] - \left[ A_1 \left( \frac{L}{4} \right) \right] \\ &= \left[ -\frac{wa^3L}{4EI} - \frac{wa^2L^2}{16EI} - \frac{wa^4}{8EI} \right] - \left[ -\frac{wa^2L^2}{16EI} \right]\end{aligned}$$

$$y_E = -\frac{wa^3}{8EI}(2L + a)$$

# Application to Beams under Unsymmetric Loadings



- Define reference tangent at support A. Evaluate  $\theta_A$  by determining the tangential deviation at  $B$  with respect to A.

$$\theta_A = -\frac{t_{B/A}}{L}$$

- The slope at other points is found with respect to reference tangent.

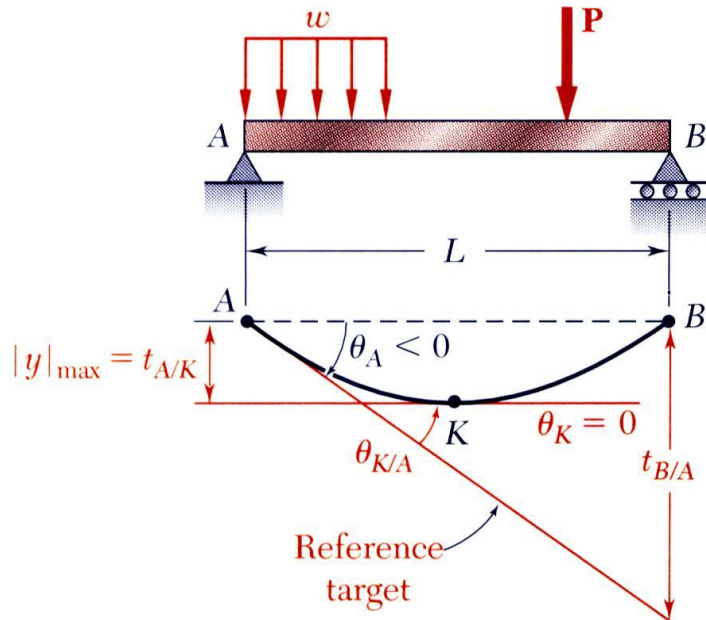
$$\theta_D = \theta_A + \theta_{D/A}$$

- The deflection at  $D$  is found from the tangential deviation at  $D$ .

$$\frac{FE}{t_{B/A}} = \frac{x}{L} \quad FE = \frac{x}{L} t_{B/A}$$

$$y_D = -FD = -(FE - DE) = -\left(\frac{x}{L} t_{B/A} - t_{D/A}\right)$$

# Maximum Deflection



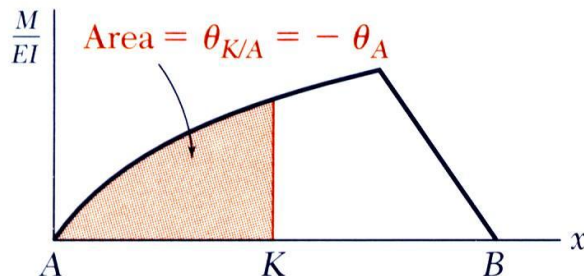
- Maximum deflection occurs at point  $K$  where the tangent is horizontal.

$$\theta_A = -\frac{t_{B/A}}{L}$$

$$\theta_K = 0 = \theta_A + \theta_{K/A}$$

$$\theta_{K/A} = -\theta_A$$

- Point  $K$  may be determined by measuring an area under the  $(M/EI)$  diagram equal to  $-\theta_A$ .



- Obtain  $w_{\max}$  by computing the first moment with respect to the vertical axis through  $A$  of the area between  $A$  and  $K$ .

# Stiffness Condition

- $w_{\max} \leq [w]$
- $\theta_{\max} \leq [\theta]$

$w_{\max}$ : Maximum deflection

$\theta_{\max}$ : Maximum slope

$[w]$ ,  $[\theta]$ : Maximum allowable deflection and slope

- Stiffness calculation include:
  - Stiffness check
  - Rational design of cross-sections
  - Find the maximum allowable loads

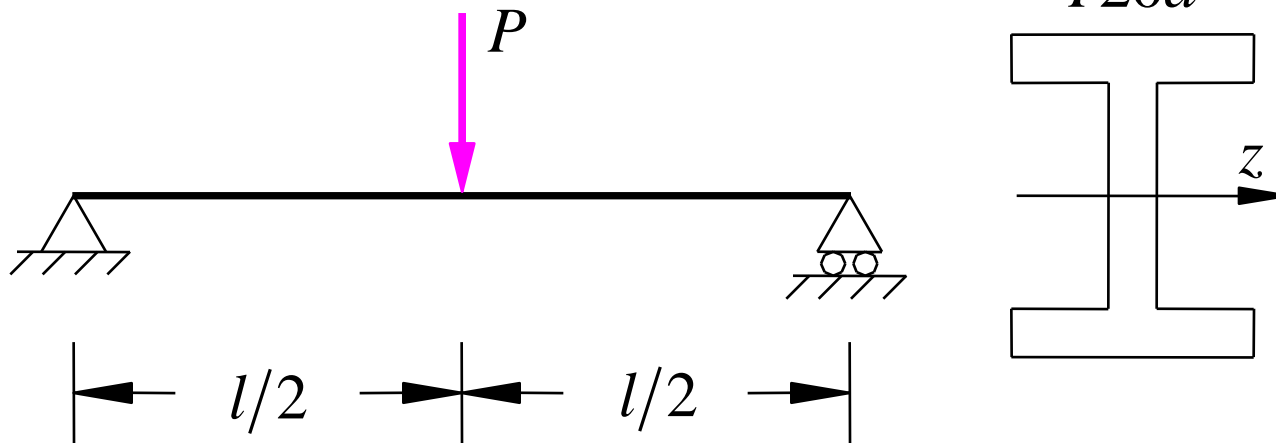


# Ways to Increase Flexural Rigidity

- Deformation of beams under bending is influenced by not only beam supports and loading condition, but also beam material, cross-section size and shape, and beam span.
  - Increase  $EI$
  - Decrease beam span / increase supports
  - Improve loading
  - Rational design of cross-sections

# Sample Problem

- Given:  $l = 8 \text{ m}$ ,  $I_z = 2370 \text{ cm}^4$ ,  $W_z = 237 \text{ cm}^3$ ,  $[w] = l/500$ ,  $E = 200 \text{ Gpa}$ ,  $[\sigma] = 100 \text{ Mpa}$ .
- Find: 1. the maximum allowable load from the stiffness condition; 2. Strength check.



- Solution

$$w_{\max} = \frac{Pl^3}{48EI} \leq [w] = \frac{l}{500}$$

$$\Rightarrow P \leq \frac{48EI}{500l^2} = 7.11 \text{ kN}$$

$$\Rightarrow [P] = 7.11 \text{ kN}$$

$$\sigma_{\max} = \frac{M_{\max}}{W_z} = \frac{Pl}{4W_z} = 60 \text{ MPa} \leq [\sigma]$$

- The strength condition is satisfied.

# Bending Strain Energy

- Strain energy density:  $u = \frac{1}{2} \sigma \varepsilon = \frac{\sigma^2}{2E} = \frac{E \varepsilon^2}{2}$
- Total strain energy calculated from density

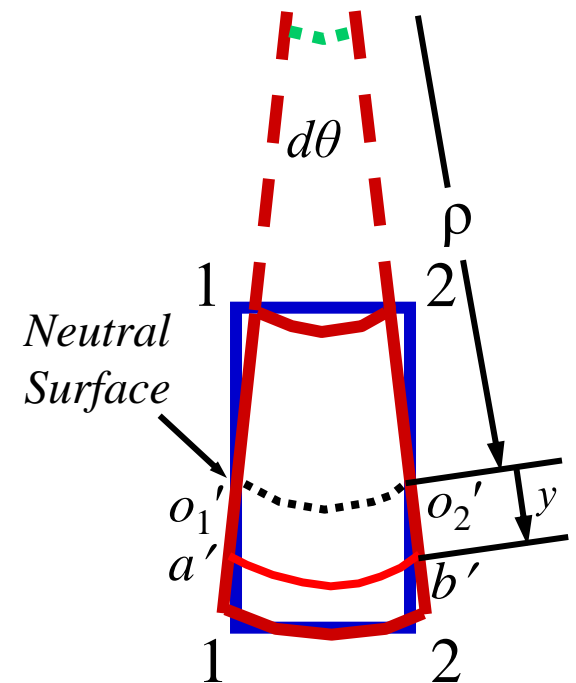
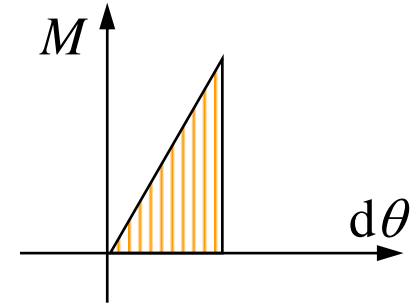
$$U = \int \frac{\sigma^2}{2E} dV = \int \frac{M^2 y^2}{2EI^2} dV$$

$$= \int_0^L \frac{M^2}{2EI^2} \left( \int_A y^2 dA \right) dx = \int_0^L \frac{M^2}{2EI} dx$$

- Total strain energy calculated from work done by bending moment w.r.t. rotation

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{M}{EI}, \quad dx = \rho d\theta \quad \Rightarrow \quad d\theta = \frac{M dx}{EI}$$

$$dU = \frac{1}{2} M d\theta = \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} \quad \Rightarrow \quad U = \int_0^L \frac{M^2(x)}{2EI} dx$$



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