

Chapter 7 Forces in Beams and Cables

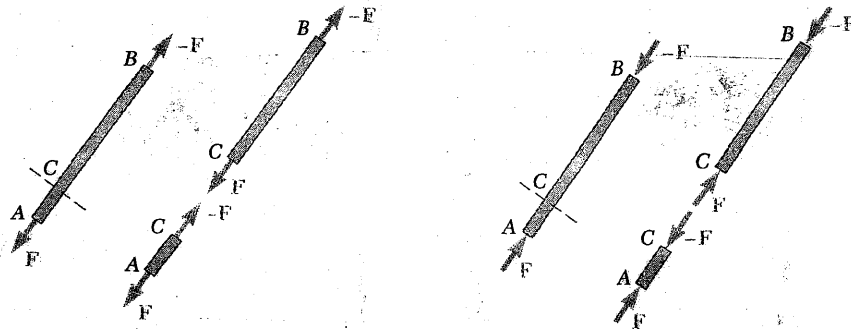
7.1 Introduction

beams : long, straight prismatic members

cables : flexible members, tension only

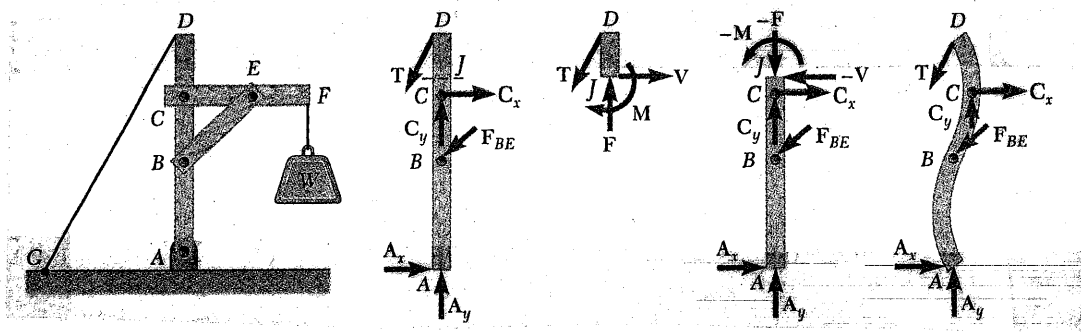
7.2 Internal Force in Members

consider a straight two-force member AB



in the case of straight two-force member, the internal force on each part of the member are equivalent to an axial force

next, consider a multiforce member



consider the free body DJ

F = vertical component of T

V = horizontal component of T

M = moment of T about J

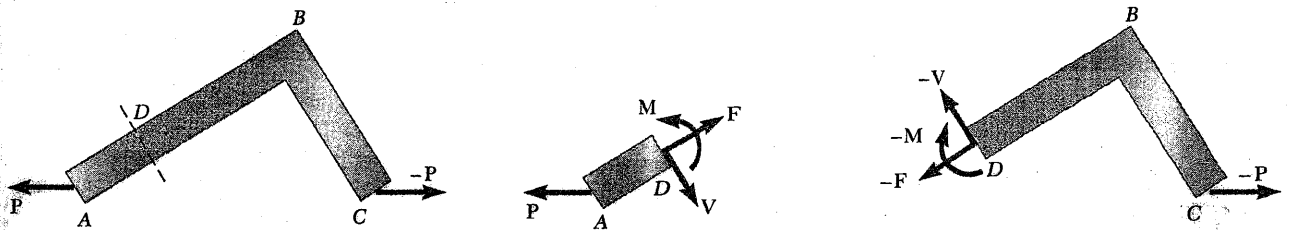
it clearly that the action of internal force in member AD is not limited to producing tension or compression, it also produce shear and bending

the force F is called an axial force

the force V is called a shearing force

the moment M is known as the bending moment at J

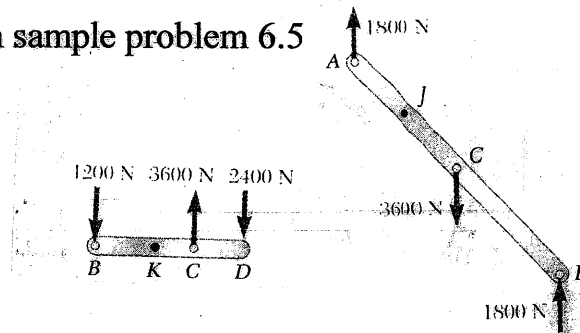
a two-force member which is not straight, the internal forces are also equivalent to a force-couple system



Sample Problem 7.1

determine the internal forces at points J and K

the reactions and forces acting on each members are determined in sample problem 6.5



(a) internal forces at J , take free body AJ

$$\Sigma F_x = 0 \quad F = 1800 \cos \alpha = 1344 \text{ N} \searrow$$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0 \quad V = 1800 \sin \alpha = 1197 \text{ N} \swarrow$$

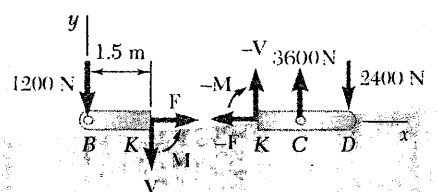
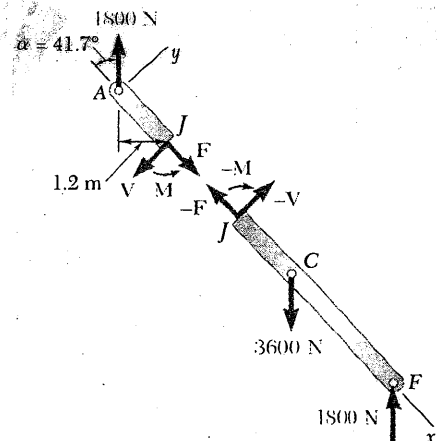
$$\Sigma M_J = 0 \quad M = 1800 \times 1.2 = 2160 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

(b) internal forces at K , take free body BK

$$\Sigma F_x = 0 \quad F = 0$$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0 \quad V = 1200 \text{ N} \uparrow$$

$$\Sigma M_K = 0 \quad M = 1200 \times 1.5 = 1800 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$



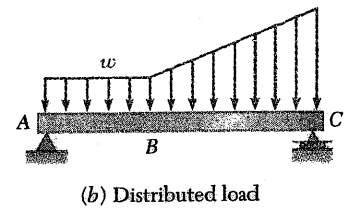
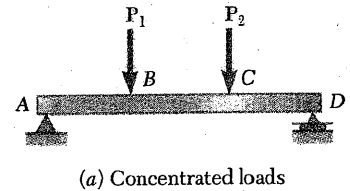
Beams

7.3 Various Types of Loading and Support

in most cases, the loads are perpendicular to the axis of the beam and will cause only shear and bending in the beam

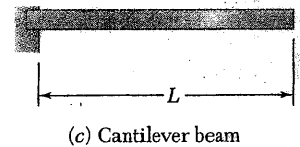
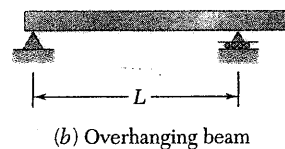
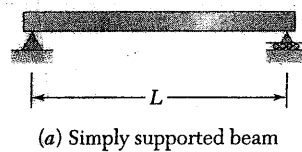
a beam may be subjected to concentrated loads P_1 , $P_2 \dots$ (expressed in Newton), and distributed load w (expressed in N/m), or combination of both

when the load w per unit length has a constant value, the load is said to be uniform distributed

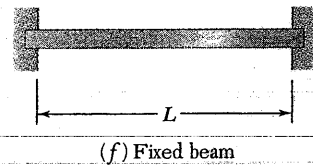
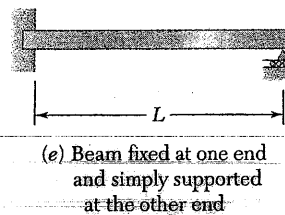
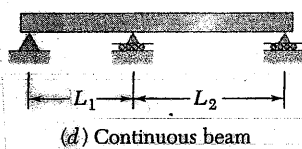


beams are classified according to the way in which they are supported

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beam

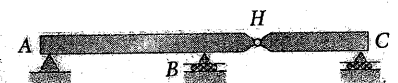
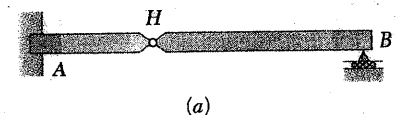


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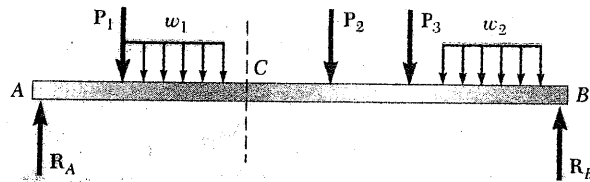
the distance L between supports is called the span

two or more beams are connected by hinges to form a single continuous structure is called combined beam



7.4 Shear and Bending Moment in a Beam

consider a beam subjected to various concentrated and distributed loads, determine the reactions R_A and R_B first

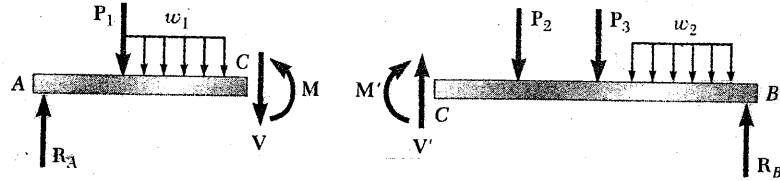


to determine the internal force at C ,

take free body AC

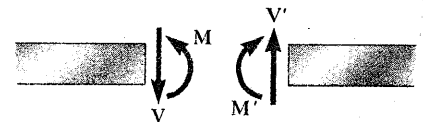
$$\Sigma F_y = 0 \quad \text{to determine } V$$

$$\Sigma M_C = 0 \quad \text{to determine } M$$

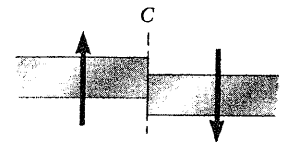


V and V' , M and M' have same magnitude, but opposite direction

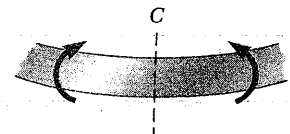
the shear force V and the bending moment M at a given point are said to be positive when the internal forces and couples acting on each portion of the beam are directed as shown



(a) Internal forces at section (positive shear and positive bending moment)



(b) Effect of external forces (positive shear)



(c) Effect of external forces (positive bending moment)

1. the shear at C is positive when the external forces acting on the beam tend to shear off the beam at C as indicated

2. the moment at C is positive when the external forces acting on the beam tend to bend the beam at C as indicated

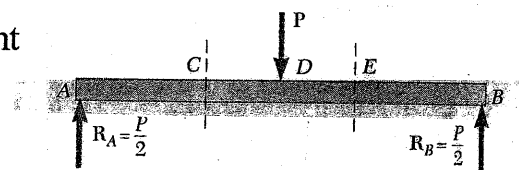
7.5 Shear and Bending-Moment Diagrams

record the values of shear and bending moment at any point of a beam by plotting these values against the distance x measured from the beam are called the shear force diagram and bending moment diagram, respectively

consider the beam AB , cut the beam at point C between A and D

$$V = P/2$$

$$M = Px/2$$



V and M are positive at point C

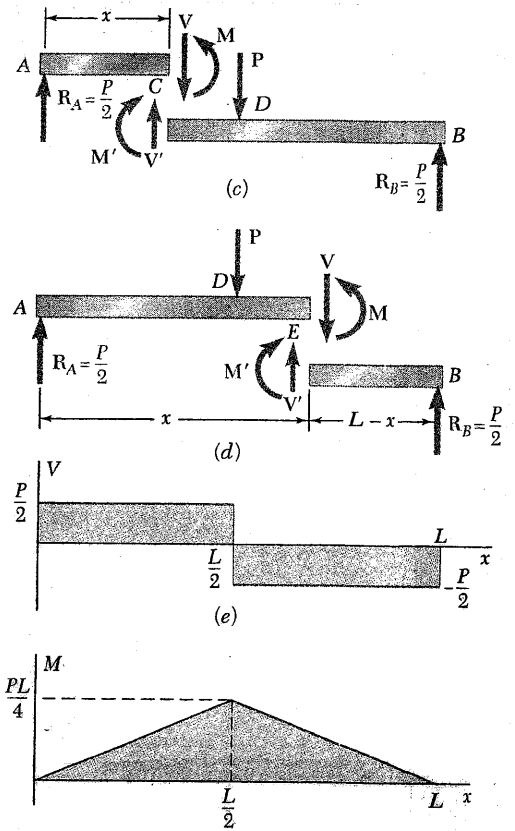
cut the beam at point E between D and B

$$V = -P/2 \quad M = P(L-x)/2$$

V is negative and M is positive

the shear-force diagram and bending-moment diagram can be plotted

when the beam subjected only to concentrated load, the shear force is of constant value between loads and the bending moment varies linearly between loads



Sample Problem 7.2

draw the V - and M - diagrams

$$R_B = 46 \text{ kN} \quad R_D = 14 \text{ kN}$$

at section 1

$$V_1 + 20 = 0 \quad V_1 = -20 \text{ kN}$$

$$M_1 = 20 \times 0 = 0$$

at section 2

$$V_2 + 20 = 0 \quad V_2 = -20 \text{ kN}$$

$$M_2 + 20 \times 2.5 = 0 \quad M_2 = -50 \text{ kN-m}$$

at section 3 (in a similarly way)

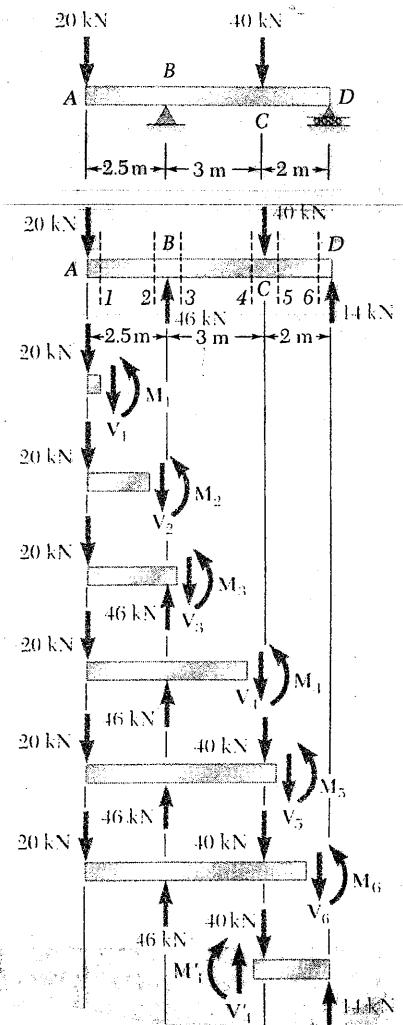
$$V_3 = 26 \text{ kN} \quad M_3 = -50 \text{ kN-m}$$

at section 4

$$V_4 = 26 \text{ kN} \quad M_4 = 28 \text{ kN-m}$$

at section 5

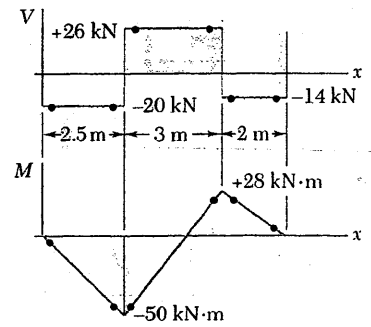
$$V_5 = -14 \text{ kN} \quad M_5 = 28 \text{ kN-m}$$



at section 6

$$V_6 = -14 \text{ kN} \quad M_6 = 0$$

the V -diagram and M -diagram can be plotted



Sample Problem 7.3

draw the V - and M - diagrams

$$\Sigma M_A = 0 \quad B_y \times 0.8 - 2160 \times 0.15 - 1800 \times 0.55 = 0$$

$$B_y = 1642 \text{ N} \quad \uparrow$$

$$\Sigma M_B = 0 \quad 2160 \times 0.65 + 1800 \times 0.25 - A \times 0.8 = 0$$

$$A = 2318 \text{ N} \quad \uparrow$$

$$\Sigma F_x = 0 \quad B_x = 0$$

from $A \sim C$ $0 < x < 0.3 \text{ m}$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0 \quad 2318 - 7200x - V = 0 \quad V = 2318 - 7200x$$

$$\Sigma M_1 = 0 \quad -2318x - 7200x\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right) + M = 0$$

$$M = 2318x - 3600x^2$$

from $C \sim D$ $0.3 \text{ m} < x < 0.45 \text{ m}$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0 \quad 2318 - 2160 - V = 0 \quad V = 158 \text{ N}$$

$$\Sigma M_2 = 0 \quad -2318x - 2160(x - 0.15) + M = 0$$

$$M = 324 + 158x$$

from $D \sim B$ $0.45 \text{ m} < x < 0.8 \text{ m}$

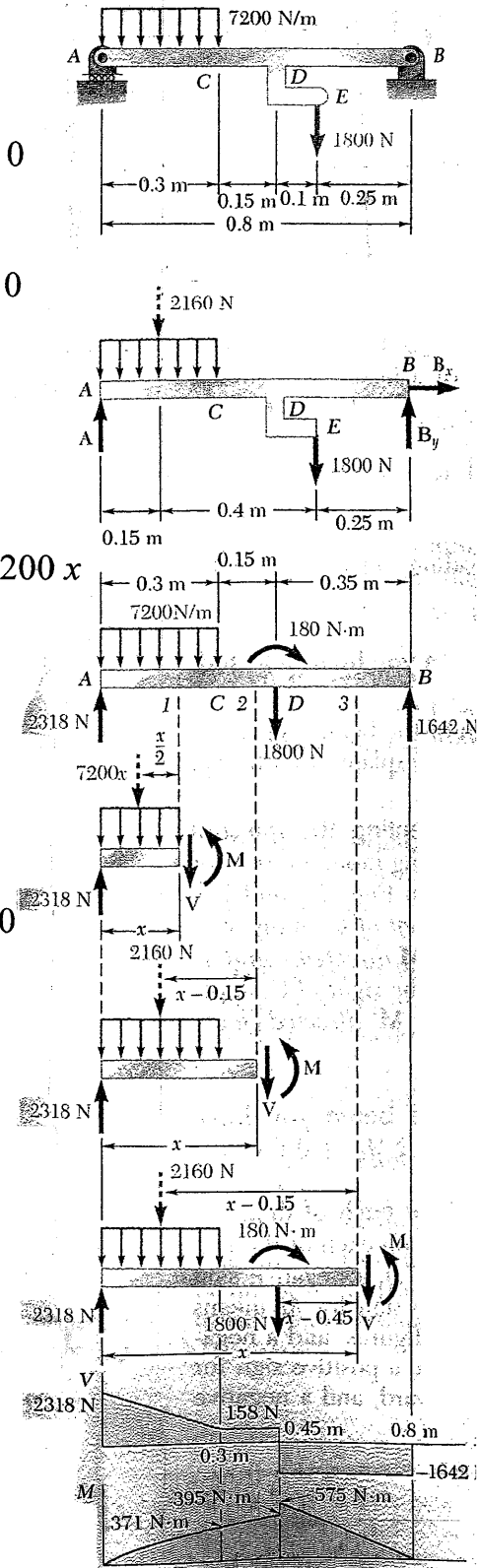
$$\Sigma F_y = 0 \quad 2318 - 2160 - 1800 - V = 0$$

$$V = -1642 \text{ N}$$

$$\Sigma M_3 = 0 \quad -2318x - 2160(x - 0.15) - 180 + 1800(x - 0.45) + M = 0$$

$$M = 1314 - 1642x$$

the V -diagram and M -diagram can be plotted



7.6 Relations among Load, Shear, and Bending Moment

consider a simply supported beam carrying
a distributed load ω per unit length
relationship between load and shear

$$V - \omega \Delta x - (V + \Delta V) = 0$$

$$\Delta V = -\omega \Delta x$$

as $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$, it is obtained

$$dV/dx = -\omega$$

$$\text{or } dV = -\omega dx$$

integrating the above equation between points C and D

$$\int_{x_C}^{x_D} dV = - \int_{x_C}^{x_D} \omega dx$$

$$V_D - V_C = - \int_{x_C}^{x_D} \omega dx$$

i.e. $V_D - V_C = -(\text{area under load curve between } C \text{ and } D)$

the formula $dV/dx = -\omega$ is not valid at a point where the concentrated load is applied [$dV/dx = \infty$ for concentrated load, and the shear force has a sudden jump or drop at this point]

relationship between shear force and bending moment

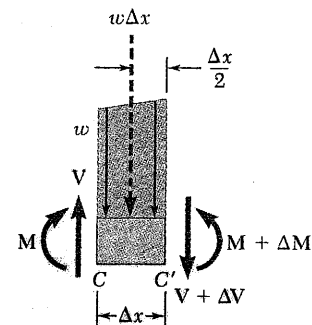
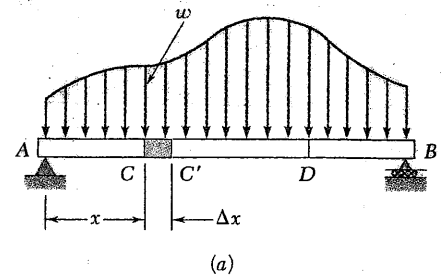
$$\Sigma M_{C'} = 0$$

$$(M + \Delta M) - M - V \Delta x + \omega \Delta x (\Delta x/2) = 0$$

$$\Delta M / \Delta x = V - \omega \Delta x / 2$$

$$\text{for } \Delta x \rightarrow 0 \quad dM/dx = V$$

i.e. the slope dM/dx of the bending-moment curve is equal to the value of shear force at that point



integrating the above equation between points C and D

$$M_D - M_C = \int_{x_C}^{x_D} V dx$$

or $M_D - M_C = \text{area under shear curve between } C \text{ and } D$

[the area under shear force should be considered positive and negative for the shear force are positive and negative, respectively]

for a simply beam supported to uniform loading

$$R_A = R_B = \omega L / 2$$

$$V_A = R_A = \omega L / 2$$

$$V - V_A = - \int_0^x \omega dx$$

$$\therefore V = V_A - \omega x = \omega L / 2 - \omega x = \omega (L/2 - x)$$

$$M - M_A = \int_0^x V dx = \omega \int_0^x (L/2 - x) dx$$

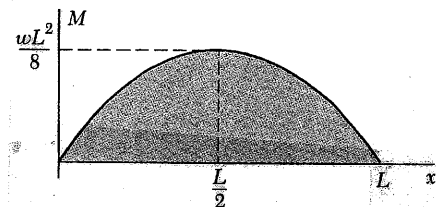
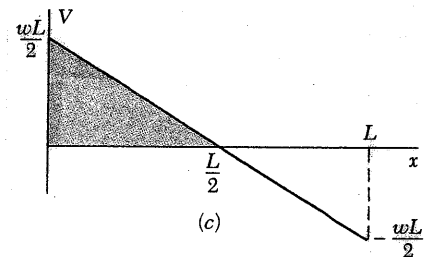
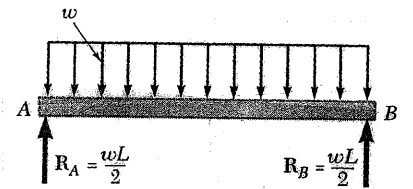
$$\therefore M_A = 0$$

$$\text{thus } M = \frac{1}{2} \omega (Lx - x^2)$$

the bending moment curve is a parabola

$M_{\max}$ occurs at $x = L/2$ since dM/dx (shear force) is equal zero at this point

$$M_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \omega (L^2/2 - L^2/4) = \omega L^2 / 8$$



in most engineering application, the moment needs to be known only at a few specific points

loading $\rightarrow$ shear force diagram $\rightarrow$ some specific points ($V = 0$) $\rightarrow$ $M_{\max}$ or $M_{\min}$

load curve : horizontal straight line (0 degree) $\rightarrow$ shear curve : oblique straight line (1st degree) $\rightarrow$ moment curve : parabola curve (2nd degree)

load curve : oblique straight line (1st degree) $\rightarrow$ shear curve : parabola
curve (2nd degree) $\rightarrow$ moment curve : cubic curve (3rd degree)

thus the shear and bending moment will always be, respectively, one and two degrees higher than the load curve

Sample Problem 7.4

draw the V -diagram and M -diagram for the beam

$$\Sigma M_D = 0 \quad 500 \times 0.8 + 500 \times 0.4 - 720 \times 0.15 - A \times 0.12 = 0$$

$$A = 410 \text{ N } \uparrow$$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0 \quad 410 - 500 - 500 - 720 + D_y = 0$$

$$D_y = 1310 \text{ N } \uparrow$$

$$\Sigma F_x = 0 \quad D_x = 0$$

the shear-force diagram and bending-moment diagram can be plotted

for the shear force-force diagram

$$V_{BC} = 410 - 500 = -90 \text{ N}$$

$$V_{CD} = -90 - 500 = -590 \text{ N}$$

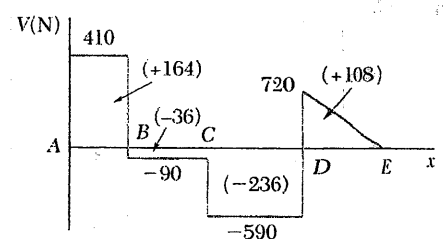
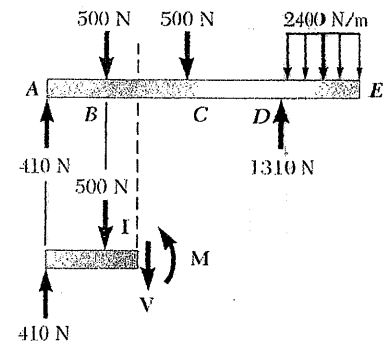
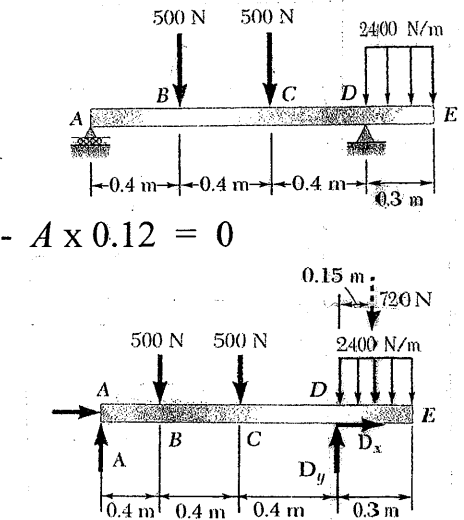
for the bending-moment diagram ($M_A = 0$)

$$M_B - M_A = 164 \quad M_B = 164 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

$$M_C - M_B = -36 \quad M_C = 128 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

$$M_D - M_C = -236 \quad M_D = -108 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

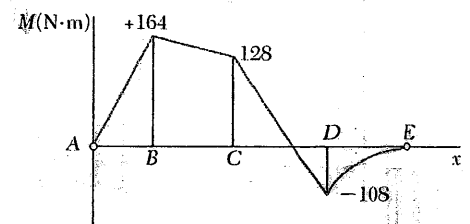
$$M_E - M_D = 108 \quad M_E = 0$$



note that the slopes of moment diagram at points B , C and D are discontinuous because the shear forces are discontinuous at that points

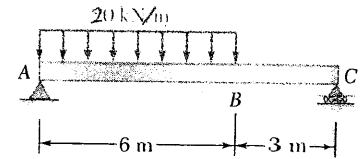
$$M_{\max} \text{ at point } B (V=0) = 164 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

$$M_{\min} \text{ at point } D (V=0) = -108 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$



Sample Problem 7.5

draw the V - and M -diagrams and determine the location and magnitude of $M_{\max}$



$$R_A = 80 \text{ kN} \quad R_B = 40 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_A = R_A = 80 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_B = V_A - w \times 6 = 80 - 120 = -40 \text{ kN}$$

$$x / 80 = (6 - x) / 40 \quad x = 4 \text{ m}$$

$$M_D - M_A = 160$$

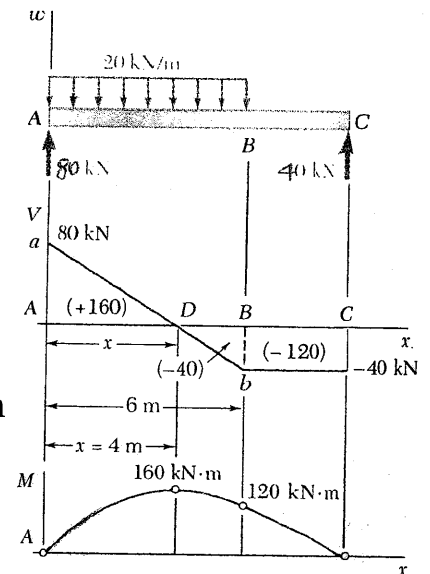
$$M_D = M_{\max} = 160 \text{ kN}\cdot\text{m}$$

$$M_B - M_D = -40$$

$$M_B = 120 \text{ kN}\cdot\text{m}$$

$$M_C - M_B = -120$$

$$M_C = 0$$



Sample Problem 7.6

sketch the shear and moment diagrams

$$V_A = 0$$

$$V_B - V_A = \frac{1}{2} \omega_0 a \quad V_B = -\frac{1}{2} \omega_0 a$$

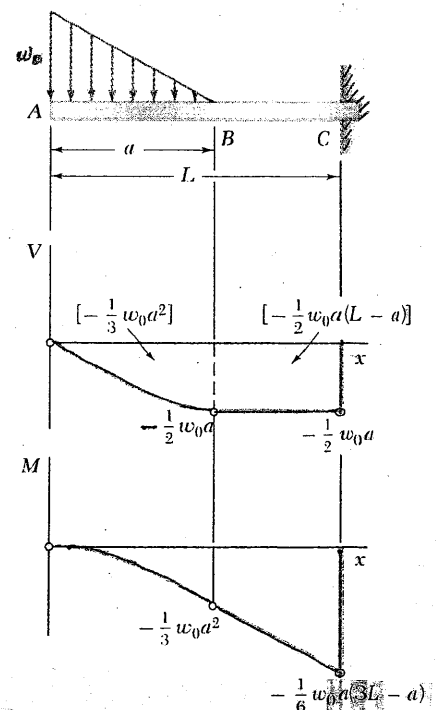
$$V_C = V_B$$

$$M_A = 0$$

$$M_B - M_A = -\frac{1}{3} \omega_0 a^2 \quad M_B = -\frac{1}{3} \omega_0 a^2$$

$$M_C - M_B = -\frac{1}{2} \omega_0 a (L - a)$$

$$M_C = -\omega_0 a (3L - a) / 6$$

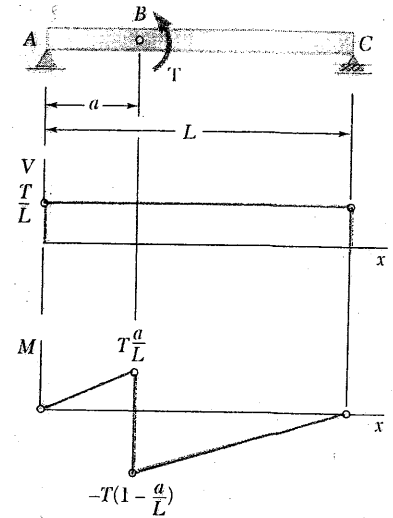


Sample Problem 7.7

draw the shear and moment diagrams for the beam

$$R_A = T/L \uparrow \quad R_B = T/L \downarrow$$

for the bending moment diagram, a couple T is applied at B , the diagram is discontinuous at B , the bending moment decreases suddenly by an amount equal to T



Cables

7.7 Cables with Concentrated Loads

7.8 Cables with Distributed Loads

7.9 Parabolic Cable

7.10 Catenary