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Theory of Plates

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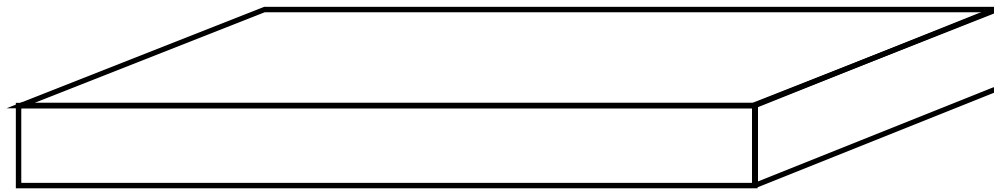
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Introduction

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- *“When a body is bounded by surfaces, flat in geometry, whose lateral dimensions are large compared to the separation between the surfaces is called a PLATE”*



- Plates are initially flat structural elements



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- Plates are subjected to transverse loads – loads normal to its mid-surface
- Transverse loads supported by combined bending and shear action
- Plates may be subjected to in-plane loading also => uniform stress distribution => membrane
- Membrane action – in-plane loading or pronounced curvature & slope
- Plate bending – plate's mid-surface doesn't experience appreciable stretching or contraction
- In-plane loads cause stretching and/or contraction of mid-surface

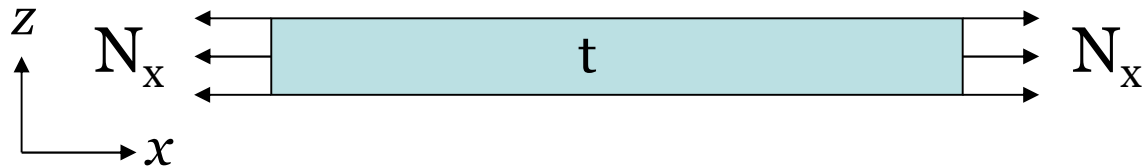
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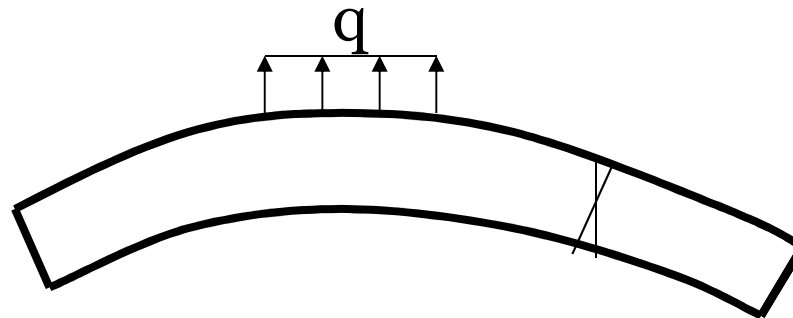
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■ Plate stretching



Uniform stretching of the plate $\Rightarrow u_0$



Axial deformation due to transverse load

Net deformation = Algebraic sum of uniform stretching and axial deformation due to bending load

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- For plates - $\frac{1}{10} \geq \frac{t}{b} \geq \frac{1}{2000}$
- Thin & thick plates –
 - Thin plate => $t < 20b$ $b =$ smallest side
 - Thick plate => $t > 20b$
- Small deflections – $w \leq \frac{t}{5}$
- Thin plate theory – Kirchoff's Classical Plate Theory (KCPT)
- Thick plate theory – Reissner – Mindlin Plate Theory (MPT)



KCPT - Assumptions

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Assumptions –

- Thickness is much smaller than the other physical dimensions
 - vertical deflection $w(x, y, z) = w(x, y)$
- Displacements u , v & w are small compared to plate thickness
 - Governing equations are derived based on undeformed geometry
- In plane strains are small compared to unity – consider only linear strains
- Normal stresses in transverse direction are small compared with other stresses – neglected



KCPT - Assumptions

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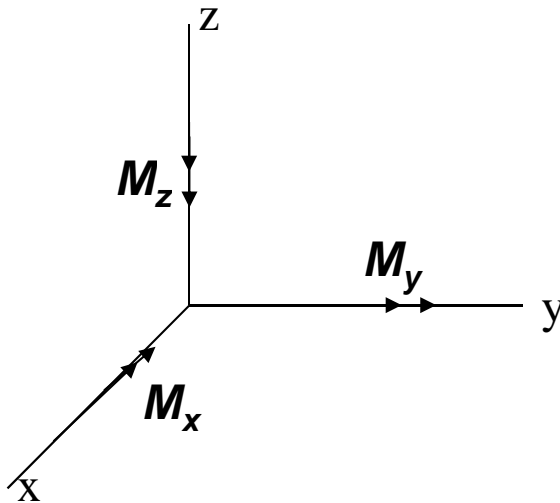
- Material – linear elastic – Hooke's law holds good
- Middle surface remains unstrained during bending – neutral surface
- Normals to the middle surface before deformation remain normal to the same surface after deformation => doesn't imply shear across section is zero – transverse shear strain makes a negligible contribution to deflections.
 - Transverse shear strains are negligible
- Rotary inertia is neglected



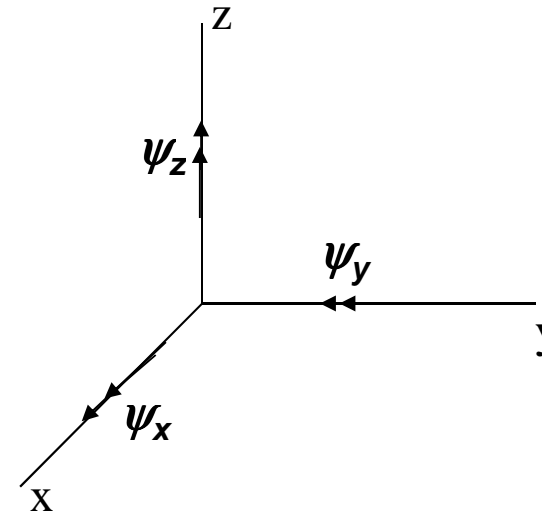
Sign convention

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- Following sign convention will be followed



Positive moments



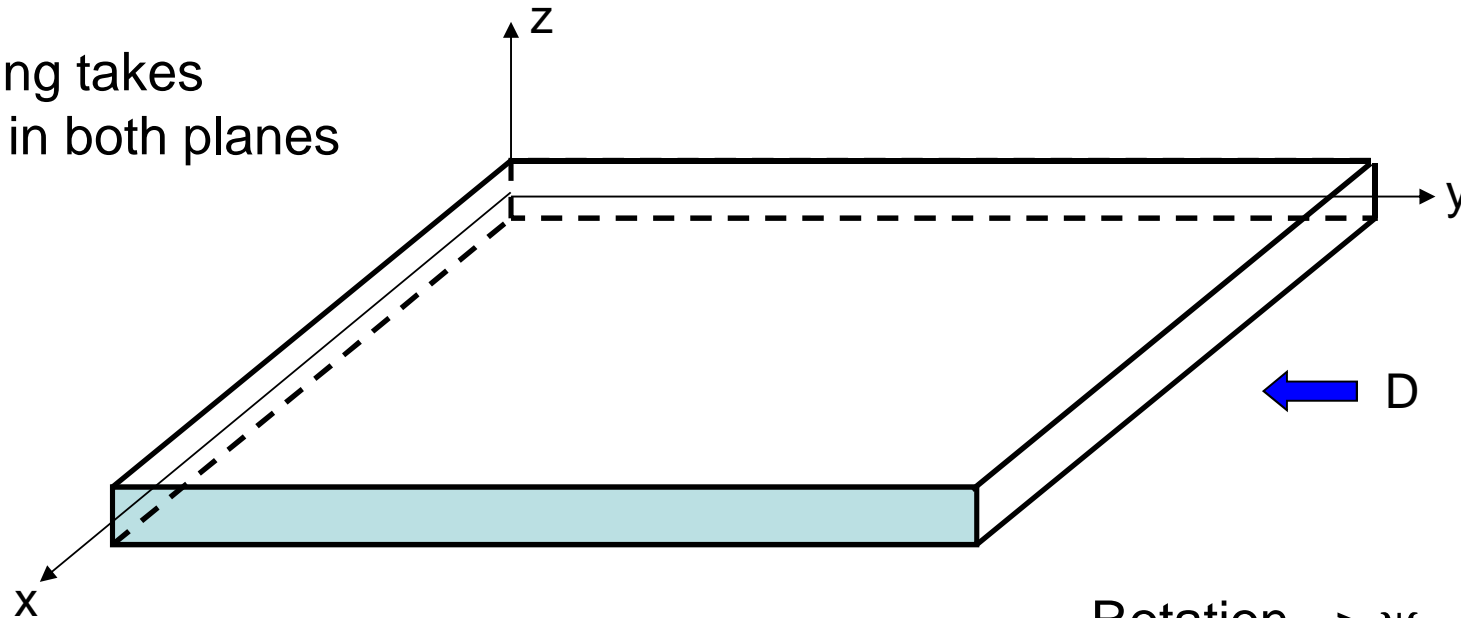
Positive rotations



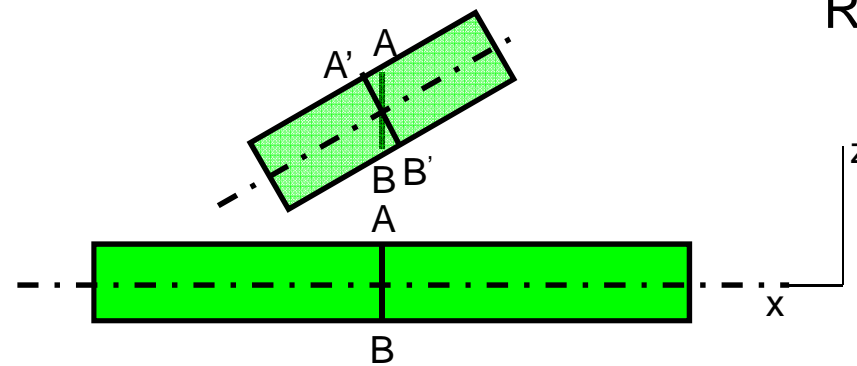
Bending deformations

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Bending takes place in both planes



Rotation $\Rightarrow \psi_y$



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Bending deformations

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- Deformation in 'x' direction

$$u(x, y, z) = -z \psi_y(x, y)$$

- Deformation in 'y' direction

$$v(x, y, z) = -z \psi_x(x, y)$$

- Vertical deformation

$$w = w(x, y)$$

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Strains

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- Assumption – out of plane shear strain - negligible

$$\gamma_{xz} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{xz} = -\psi_y + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_y = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}$$

$$\gamma_{yz} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{yz} = -\psi_x + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_x = \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}$$

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Strains

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- Non-zero strains

$$\epsilon_{xx} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = -z \frac{\partial \psi_y}{\partial x} = -z \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\epsilon_{yy} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -z \frac{\partial \psi_x}{\partial y} = -z \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2}$$

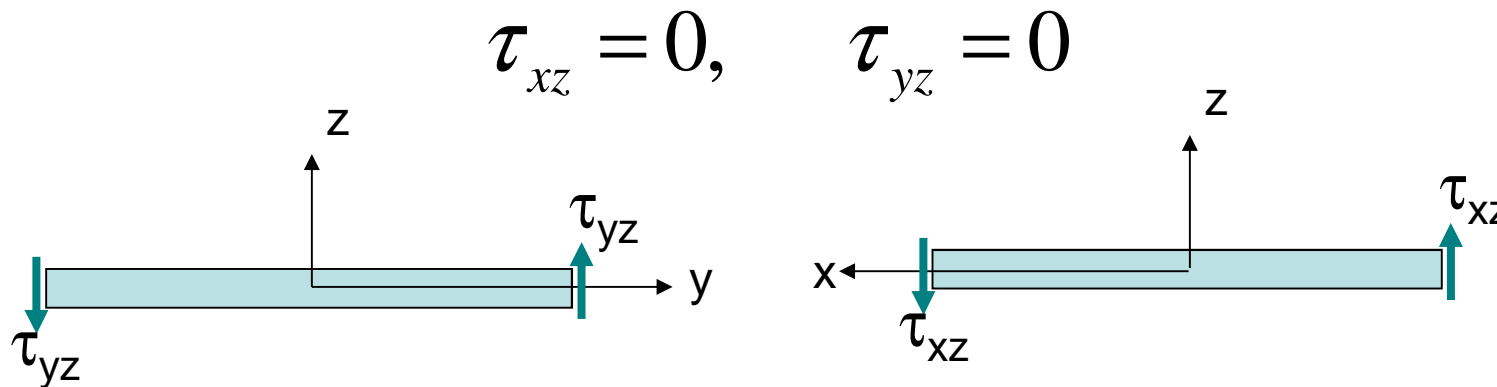
$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -2z \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y}$$



Stresses

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- Thin plate – out of plane shear strains vanish – out of plane shear stresses also vanish



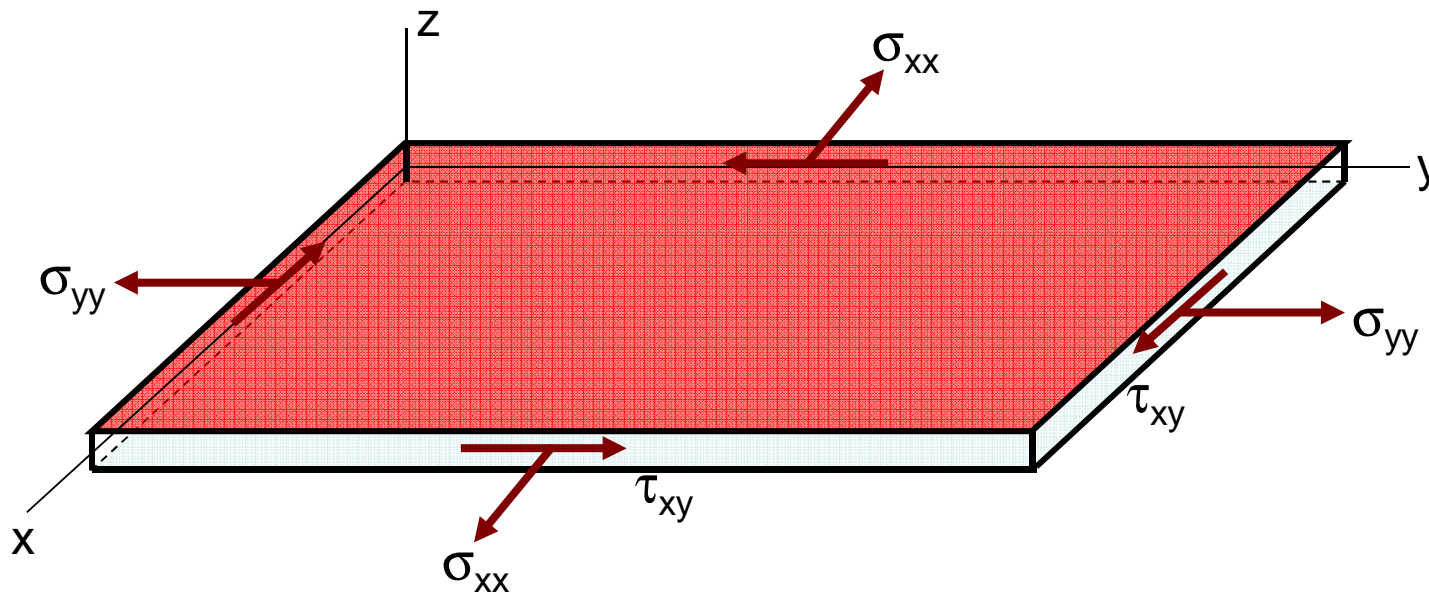
- Out of plane normal stress is also assumed to be zero – logical – thin structure – plane stress conditions



Stresses

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- Non-zero stress components



All three stress components, σ_{xx} , σ_{yy} , τ_{xy} – in-plane

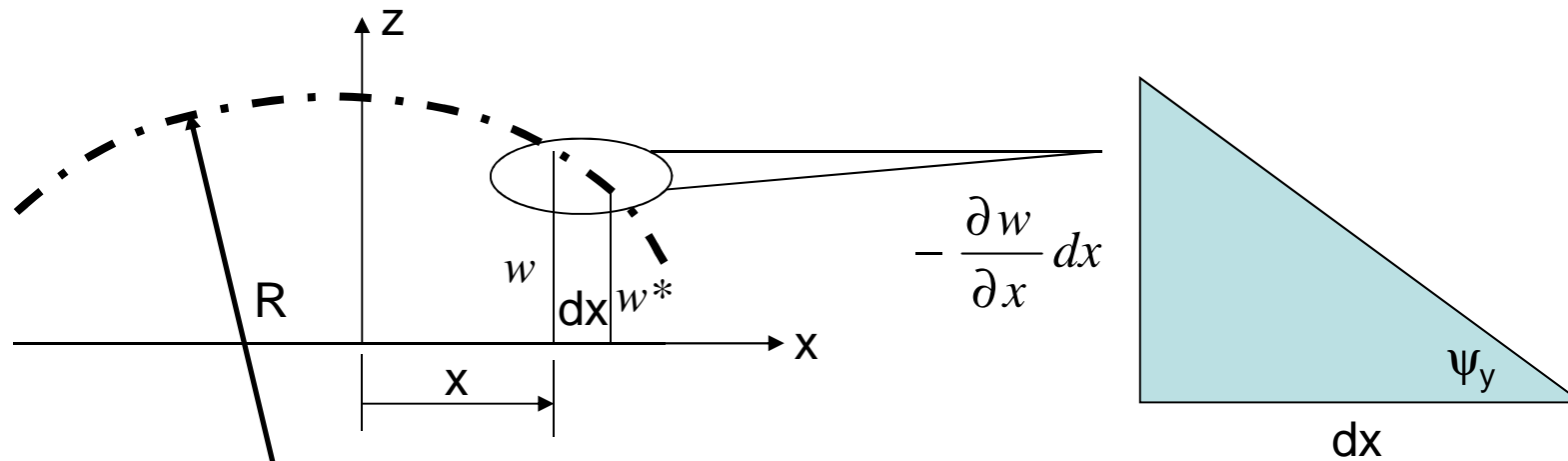
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Curvatures

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- Curvature – reciprocal of radius of bending
- Rate of change of slope



$$\text{slope} = \text{rotation} = \psi_y = -\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \quad \text{curvature} = \frac{\partial \psi_y}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} = \kappa_{xx}$$



Curvatures

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- Similarly bending in yz plane introduces a curvature

$$K_{yy} = - \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2}$$

- Twisting of plate

$$K_{xy} = -2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y}$$



Constitutive law

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- Linear elastic isotropic – Hookean material
- Three stress and strain components

$$\epsilon_{xx} = \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{E} - \nu \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E}$$

$$\epsilon_{yy} = \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E} - \nu \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{E}$$

$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{G} = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{E} 2(1 + \nu)$$

Writing all three equations in matrix form

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_{xx} \\ \epsilon_{yy} \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{1}{E} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\nu & 0 \\ -\nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2(1+\nu) \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \tau_{xy} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \tau_{xy} \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1-\nu}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_{xx} \\ \epsilon_{yy} \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{Bmatrix}$$

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Constitutive law

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- Express strains in terms of curvatures

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \tau_{xy} \end{Bmatrix} = -\frac{Ez}{1-\nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1+\nu}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \\ 2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y} \end{Bmatrix}$$

Variation of stresses across thickness is linear

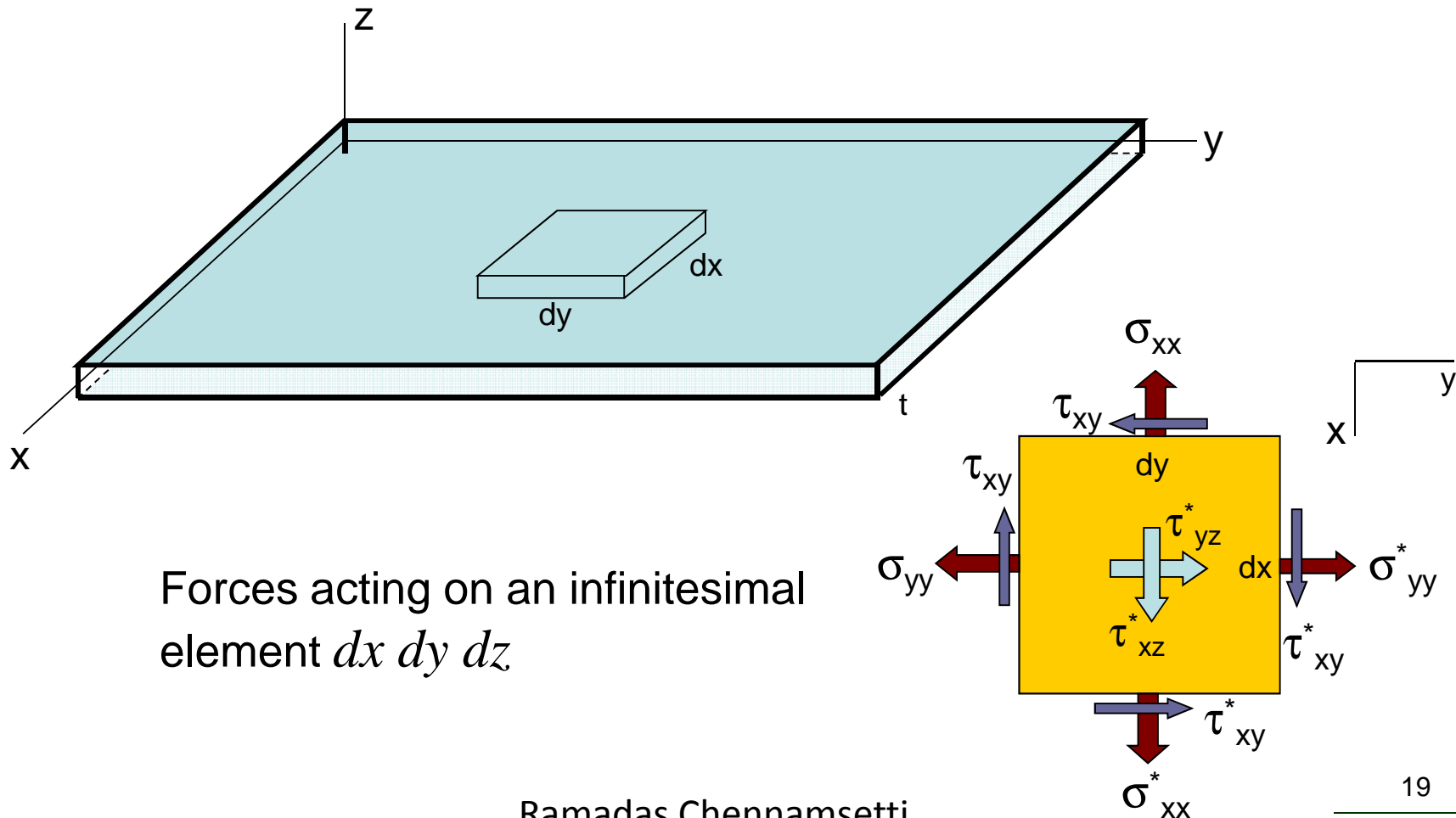
Basis – thin plates – plane section remain plane after bending – variation of axial deflection is linear across thickness – strains also vary linearly



Equilibrium equations

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- Equilibrium of an infinitesimal element



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Equilibrium equations

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■ Equilibrium in 'x' direction

$$\sigma_{xx}^* dydz + \tau_{zx}^* dx dy + \tau_{yx}^* dz dx - \sigma_{xx} dydz - \tau_{zx} dx dy - \tau_{yx} dz dx = 0$$

$$\sigma_{xx}^* = \left(\sigma_{xx} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} dx \right)$$

$$\tau_{zx}^* = \left(\tau_{zx} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial z} dz \right)$$

$$\tau_{yx}^* = \left(\tau_{yx} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial y} dy \right)$$

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Equilibrium equations

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- Substitute – the following equation is obtained

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z} = 0 \quad - \quad (1)$$

Similarly take equilibrium in 'y' and 'z' directions

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial z} = 0 \quad - \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zz}}{\partial z} = 0 \quad - \quad (3)$$

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Shear stresses

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- From equation (1) – shear stress τ_{xz} can be computed

Use stress deflection/curvature relations

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[-\frac{Ez}{1-\nu^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right) \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[-\frac{Ez}{1+\nu} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y} \right] + \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z} = \left(\frac{Ez}{1-\nu^2} \right) \left(\frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3} + \nu \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x \partial y^2} + (1-\nu) \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x \partial y^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z} = \left(\frac{Ez}{1-\nu^2} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla^2 w)$$

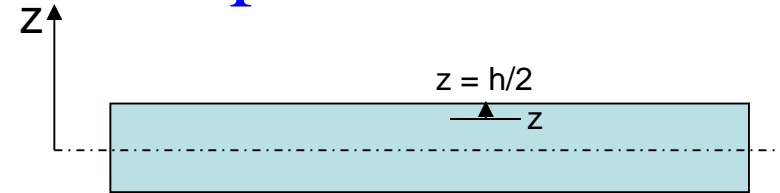
Integrate this across thickness to get shear stress
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Shear stresses

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- Integrate from mid plane to top surface of plate



$$\int_{\tau_{xz}}^0 d\tau_{xz} = \int_0^{h/2} \left(\frac{Ez}{1-\nu^2} \right) \frac{\partial(\nabla^2 w)}{\partial x} dz = \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \frac{\partial(\nabla^2 w)}{\partial x} \int_z^{h/2} z dz$$

$$-\tau_{xz} = \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \frac{\partial(\nabla^2 w)}{\partial x} \left[\frac{z^2}{2} \right]_z^{h/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\tau_{xz} = \frac{E}{2(1-\nu^2)} \frac{\partial(\nabla^2 w)}{\partial x} \left(\frac{h^2}{4} - z^2 \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_{xz} = \frac{E}{2(1-\nu^2)} \frac{\partial(\nabla^2 w)}{\partial x} \left(z^2 - \frac{h^2}{4} \right)$$

Parabolic variation

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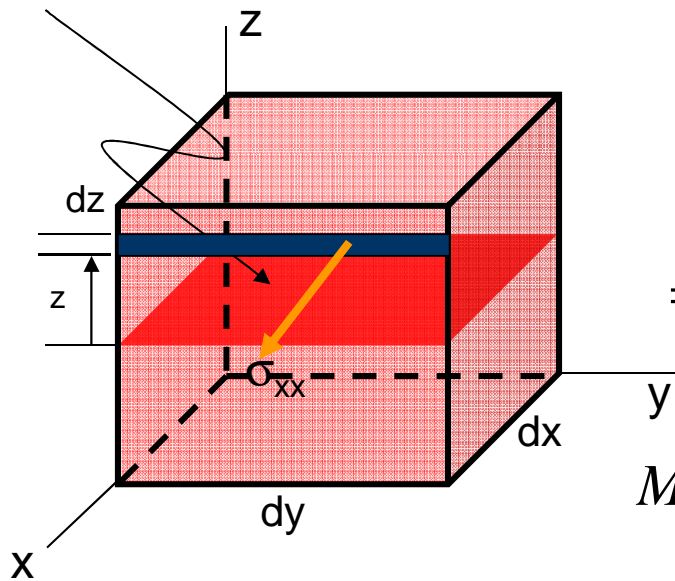


Moments

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■ Moment wrt 'y' axis

Neutral plane



$$dF_{xx} = \sigma_{xx} dz$$

$$dM_y = z dF_{xx} = z \sigma_{xx} dz$$

$$\sigma_{xx} = -\frac{Ez}{1-\nu^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow dM_y = -\frac{Ez^2}{1-\nu^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$$M_y = -\frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right) \int_{-h/2}^{+h/2} z^2 dz$$

$$M_y = -\frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\nu^2)} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

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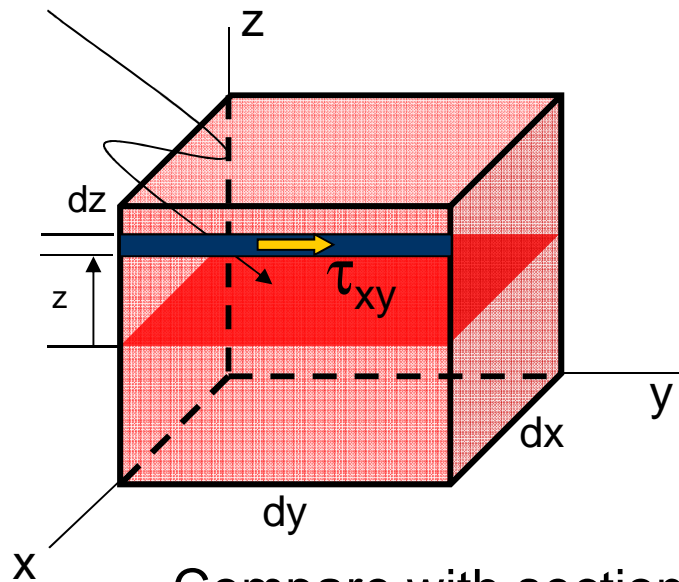
Moments

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- Moment wrt 'x' axis

$$M_x = -\frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\nu^2)} \left(\nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

Neutral plane



Compare with section modulus of beam

Twisting moment due to shear stress τ_{xy}

$$M_{xy} = -\frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\nu^2)} (1-\nu) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y}$$

$$D = \frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\nu^2)}$$

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Shear forces

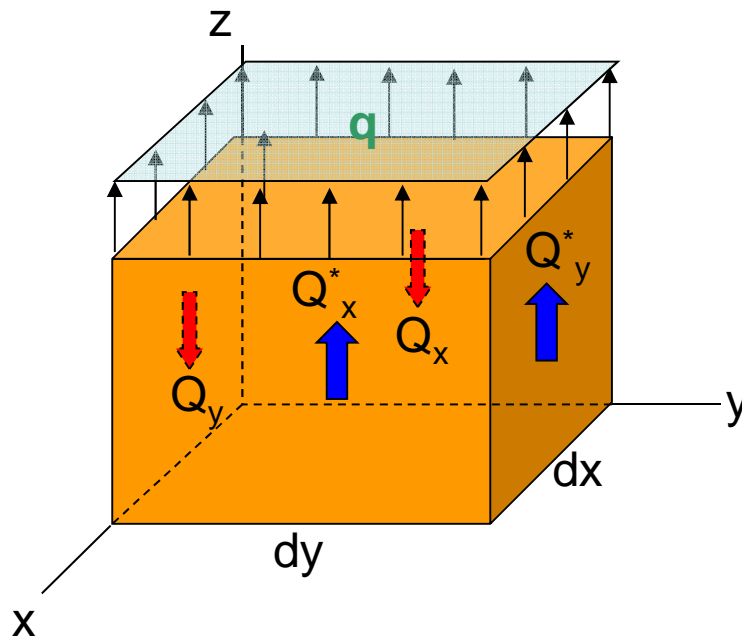
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- Vertical equilibrium of plate

$$Q_x^* dy + Q_y^* dx + q dx dy - Q_x dy - Q_y dx = 0$$

$$Q_x^* = Q_x + \frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial x} dx$$

$$Q_y^* = Q_y + \frac{\partial Q_y}{\partial y} dy$$



Substitute these and simplify

$$\frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q_y}{\partial y} = -q$$



Shear forces

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- Shear forces across thickness can be computed by integrating shear stress across thickness

$$Q_y = \int_{-h/2}^{+h/2} \tau_{yz} dz \quad \text{per unit width}$$

$$\tau_{yz} = \frac{E}{2(1-\nu^2)} \frac{\partial (\nabla^2 w)}{\partial y} \left(z^2 - \frac{h^2}{4} \right)$$

$$Q_y = \frac{E}{2(1-\nu^2)} \frac{\partial (\nabla^2 w)}{\partial y} \int_{-h/2}^{+h/2} \left(z^2 - \frac{h^2}{4} \right) dz$$

$$Q_y = - \frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\nu^2)} \frac{\partial (\nabla^2 w)}{\partial y} = -D \frac{\partial (\nabla^2 w)}{\partial y}$$

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Governing equation

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- Similar expression for Q_x

$$Q_x = -D \frac{\partial (\nabla^2 w)}{\partial x}$$

Substitute Q_x and Q_y in the following expression – vertical equilibrium

$$\frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q_y}{\partial y} = -q$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(-D \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla^2 w) \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(-D \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\nabla^2 w) \right) = -q$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (\nabla^2 w) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} (\nabla^2 w) = \frac{q}{D}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right) (\nabla^2 w) = \frac{q}{D}$$

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Governing equation

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- Governing equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right) \nabla^2 w = \frac{q}{D}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 (\nabla^2 w) = \frac{q}{D}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^4 = \frac{q}{D}$$

$$\frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} + 2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial y^4} = \frac{q}{D}$$

Bi-harmonic equation

Compare with beam equation
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Boundary conditions

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- Well posed problem – Governing equations and boundary conditions
- Three basic boundary conditions
 - Simply supported
 - Clamped and
 - Free edge
- Vertical deflection and their derivatives



Simply supported

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- Simply supported – for eg beam => vertical deflection = 0 and moment = 0

For edge, $x = \text{const}$

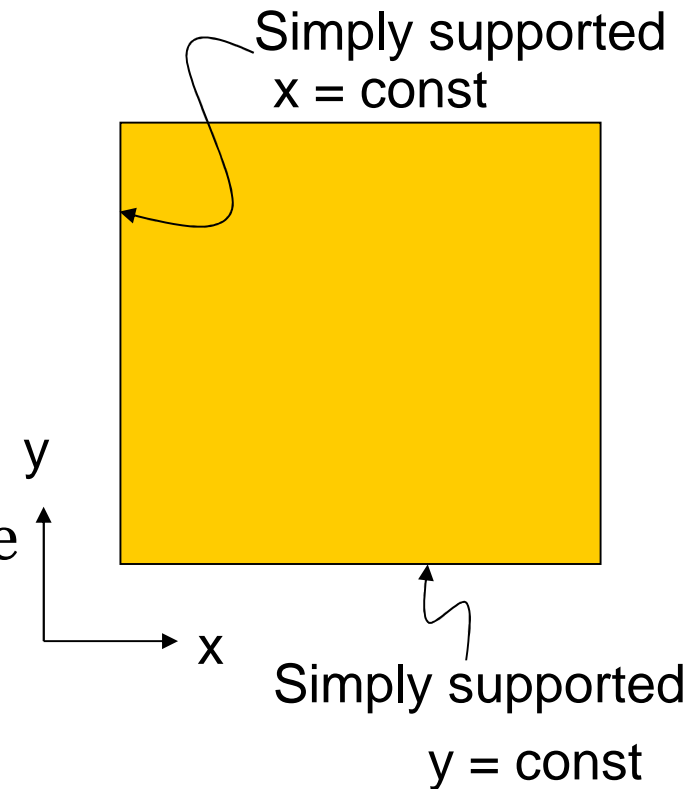
$$w(x, y) = 0$$

$$M_y = -D \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right) = 0$$

$w = 0$ implies second derivative in the direction tangent to this line is zero

$$\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

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Simply supported

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- Simply supported condition along edge $y = \text{const}$

$$w = 0$$

$$M_x = -D \left(\nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$w = 0$ implies second derivative in the direction tangent to this line is zero

$$\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

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Clamped

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- Deflection and slope in normal directions vanish

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} w = 0 \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = 0 \end{array} \right\} x = \text{constant}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} w = 0 \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = 0 \end{array} \right\} y = \text{constant}$$



Free edges

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- Free edge – Free from any external loads –
Natural boundary conditions
- Bending moment and Shear force vanish
- Bending moment

$$M_y = -D \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right) = 0 \text{ at } x = \text{const}$$

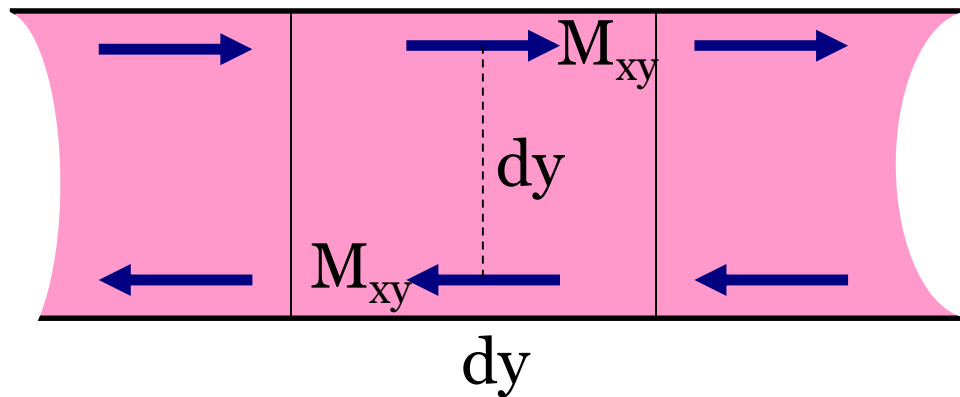
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Free edges

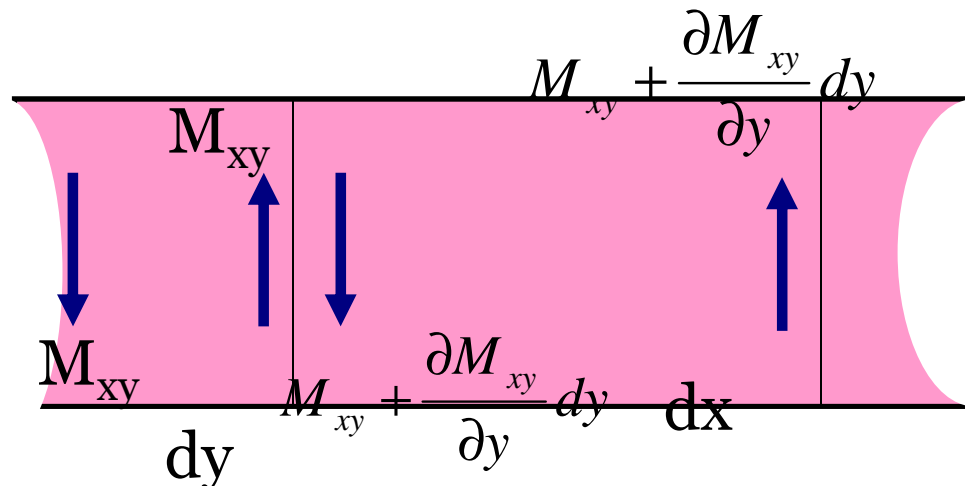
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- Moment M_{xy} and shear forces



The net force acting on the face

$$Q'_x = -M_{xy} - \frac{\partial M_{xy}}{\partial y} dy + M_{xy}$$



$$\Rightarrow Q'_x = -\frac{\partial M_{xy}}{\partial y} dy$$

Total shear force,

$$V_x = Q_x + Q'_x$$

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Free edges

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- Total shear force,

$$V_x = Q_x + Q_x'$$

$$\Rightarrow V_x = -D \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla^2 w) - D(1-\nu) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow V_x = -D \left[\frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3} + (2-\nu) \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x \partial y^2} \right]$$

$$V_y = -D \left[\frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial y^3} + (2-\nu) \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y} \right]$$

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Free edges

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- The forces, V_x and $V_y \Rightarrow$ reduced, or Kirchoff's or effective shear forces
- In case of a free edge,

$$V_x = -D \left[\frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3} + (2 - \nu) \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x \partial y^2} \right] = 0 \quad \text{at } x = \text{const}$$

$$V_y = -D \left[\frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial y^3} + (2 - \nu) \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y} \right] = 0 \quad \text{at } y = \text{const}$$



Bending of plates

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- Governing equation of plate rectangular plate bending

$$\nabla^2 (\nabla^2 w) = \frac{q}{D}$$

w = vertical deflection = $w(x, y)$

external loading, $q = q(x, y)$

- Solution to this equation – product of two functions – Assume

$$w = w(x, y) = F(x)G(y)$$

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Bending of plates

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- Choice of functions – algebraic, trigonometric, hyperbolic etc or combination of these function
- Selection of a function – depends on boundary conditions
- Simply supported edges – trigonometric function – Navier solution
- Deflection of a plate can be written as sum of infinite trigonometric functions



Bending of plates

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- Edges, $x = 0$ and $x = a$ simply supported

Vertical deflection vanish

$$w(x=0, y)=0, w(x=a, y)=0$$

Possible form of solution

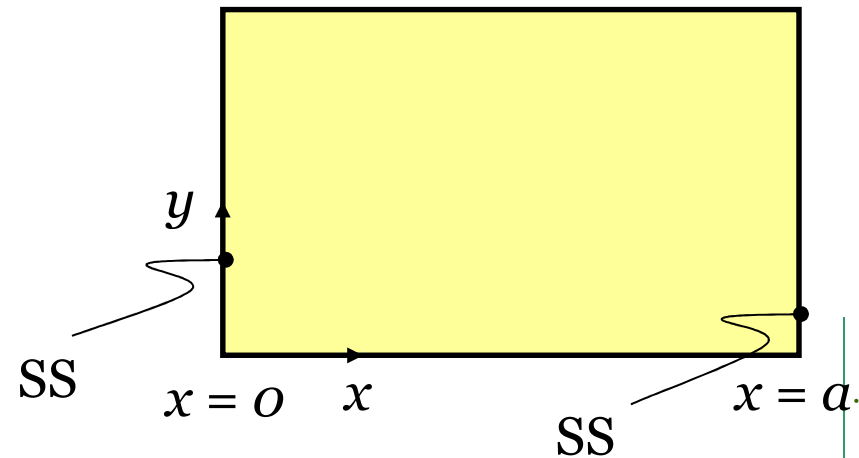
$$F(x) = \sum_m^{\infty} F_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right)$$

$F_1, F_2, \dots, F_{\infty}$ are coefficients

Symmetric loading wrt $x = a/2$

Maximum deflection at $x = a/2$

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Bending of plates

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- Other edges simply supported

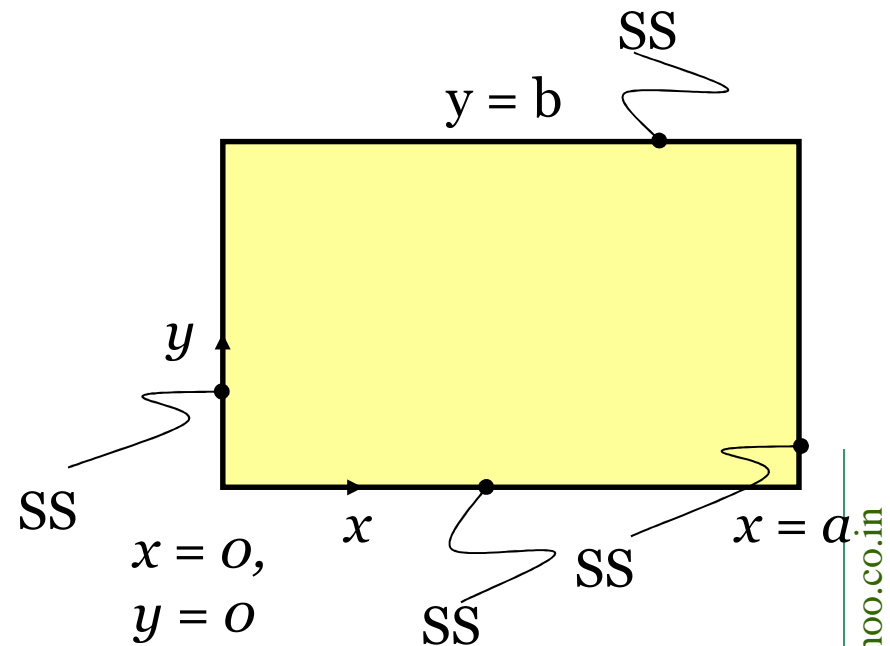
Vertical deflection vanish

$$w(x, y=0)=0, w(x, y=b)=0$$

Possible form of solution

$$G(y) = \sum_n G_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

$G_1, G_2, \dots, G_\infty$ are coefficients



Selection of functions based on BCs

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Bending of plates

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- Final solution,

$$w(x, y) = \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} F_m G_n \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow w(x, y) = \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} w_{mn} \sin \alpha_m x \sin \beta_n y$$

$$\alpha_m = \frac{m\pi}{a}, \quad \beta_n = \frac{n\pi}{b}$$

Coefficients, F_m , G_n and w_{mn} computed using Fourier Series

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Coefficients

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- Any periodic function can be expanded into a sine or cosine function using Fourier expansion

Function of one variable

$$f(x) = \sum_m^{\infty} f_m \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) \sin \frac{m'\pi x}{a} = f_m \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m'\pi x}{a}$$

Integrate the above from limits 0 to a

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Coefficients

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■ Integration

$$\int_0^a f(x) \sin \frac{m' \pi x}{a} dx = f_m \int_0^a \sin \frac{m \pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m' \pi x}{a} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f_m}{2} \int_0^a 2 \sin \frac{m \pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m' \pi x}{a} dx = \frac{f_m}{2} \int_0^a \left[\cos \frac{\pi x}{a} (m - m') - \cos \frac{\pi x}{a} (m + m') \right] dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f_m}{2} \left[\frac{\sin \frac{\pi x}{a} (m - m')}{\frac{\pi}{a} (m - m')} - \frac{\sin \frac{\pi x}{a} (m + m')}{\frac{\pi}{a} (m + m')} \right]_0^a$$

Lower limit vanishes, evaluate upper limit
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Coefficients

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■ Upper limit

$$\int_0^a f(x) \sin \frac{m' \pi x}{a} dx = \frac{f_m}{2} \frac{\sin \frac{\pi x}{a} (m - m')}{\frac{\pi}{a} (m - m')} \Bigg|_{x=a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^a f(x) \sin \frac{m' \pi x}{a} dx = \frac{f_m a}{2} \quad \text{for } m = m'$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{for } m \neq m'$$

$$f_m = \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a f(x) \sin \frac{m \pi x}{a} dx$$

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Coefficients

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- Function of variable 'y'

$$g(y) = \sum_n^{\infty} g_n \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow g(y) \sin \frac{n'\pi y}{b} = g_n \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \sin \frac{n'\pi y}{b}$$

$$g_n = \frac{2}{b} \int_0^b g(y) \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} dy$$



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■ Function of two variables

$$w(x, y) = \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} w_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{x=0}^{x=a} w(x, y) \sin\left(\frac{m'\pi x}{a}\right) dx = \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} w_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \int_{x=0}^{x=a} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m'\pi x}{a}\right) dx$$

$$\int_{x=0}^{x=a} w(x, y) \sin\left(\frac{m'\pi x}{a}\right) dx = \frac{a}{2} \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} w_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{y=0}^{y=b} \int_{x=0}^{x=a} w(x, y) \sin\left(\frac{m'\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n'\pi y}{b}\right) dx dy = \frac{a}{2} \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} w_{mn} \int_{y=0}^{y=b} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n'\pi y}{b}\right) dy$$

$$\Rightarrow w_{mn} = \frac{4}{ab} \int_{y=0}^{y=b} \int_{x=0}^{x=a} w(x, y) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) dx dy$$



Simply supported plate

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- Assume loading over plate

$$q = q(x, y) = \sum_m \sum_n q_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b}$$

Solution

$$w = w(x, y) = \sum_m \sum_n w_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b}$$

Governing equation

$$\frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} + 2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial y^4} = \frac{q}{D}$$

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- Differentiating vertical displacement

$$\frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} = \sum_m \sum_n \left(\frac{m\pi}{a} \right)^4 w_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a} \right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial y^4} = \sum_m \sum_n \left(\frac{n\pi}{b} \right)^4 w_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a} \right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b} \right)$$

$$2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} = 2 \sum_m \sum_n \left(\frac{m\pi}{a} \right)^2 \left(\frac{n\pi}{b} \right)^2 w_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a} \right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b} \right)$$



Simply supported plate

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- Plug in governing equation

$$\left[\left(\frac{m\pi}{a} \right)^4 + 2 \left(\frac{m\pi}{a} \right)^2 \left(\frac{n\pi}{b} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{n\pi}{b} \right)^4 \right] w_{mn} = \frac{q_{mn}}{D}$$

$$\Rightarrow w_{mn} = \frac{q_{mn}}{D\pi^4 \left(\frac{m^2}{a^2} + \frac{n^2}{b^2} \right)^2}$$

$$w = w(x, y) = \frac{1}{D\pi^4} \sum_m \sum_n \frac{q_{mn}}{\left(\frac{m^2}{a^2} + \frac{n^2}{b^2} \right)^2} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

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UDL

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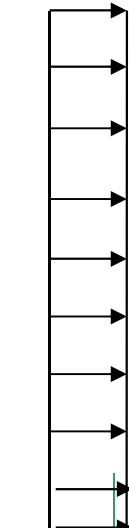
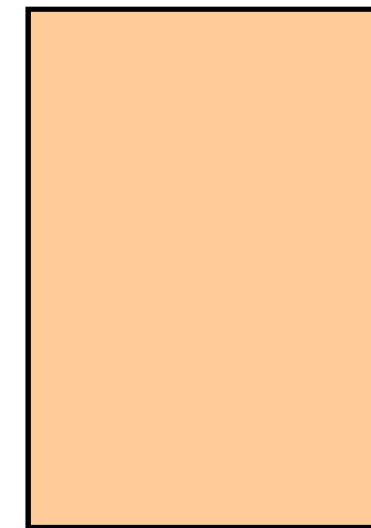
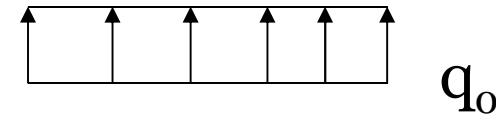
Uniformly distributed load

Computation of coefficients

$$q(x, y) = \sum_m \sum_n q_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

$$q(x, y) = q_0$$

$$q_{mn} = \frac{4}{ab} \int_0^a \int_0^b q(x, y) \sin\frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{n\pi y}{b} dx dy$$



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■ Coefficients q_{mn}

$$q_{mn} = \frac{4}{ab} \int_0^a \int_0^b q_o \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m\pi y}{b} dx dy$$

$$q_{mn} = \frac{4q_o}{ab} \int_0^a \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} dx \int_0^b \sin \frac{m\pi y}{b} dy$$

$$\Rightarrow q_{mn} = \frac{4q_o}{ab} \left(\frac{4ab}{mn\pi^2} \right) = \frac{16q_o}{mn\pi^2}$$



UDL

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■ Vertical deflection

$$w = w(x, y) = \frac{1}{\pi^4 D} \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} \frac{q_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)}{\left[\left(\frac{m}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{b}\right)^2\right]^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow w(x, y) = \frac{16}{\pi^6} \frac{q_o}{D} \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)}{\left[\left(\frac{m}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{b}\right)^2\right]^2}$$

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Patch load

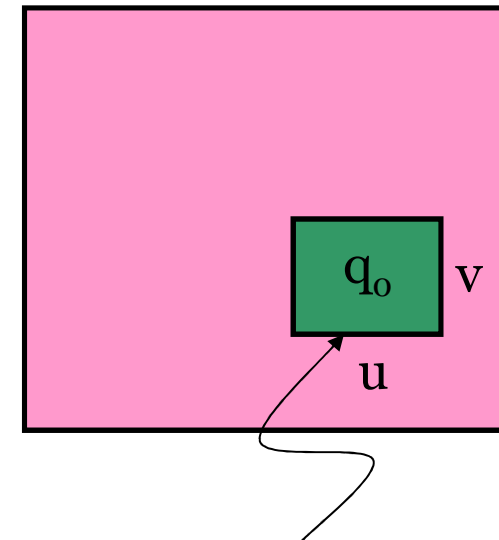
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- A patch load applied over an area $u \times v$

Centroid at (x_o, y_o)

$$q(x, y) = \sum_m \sum_n q_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow q_o = \sum_m \sum_n q_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$



Patch load

$$q_{mn} = \frac{4q_o}{ab} \int_{x_o - \frac{u}{2}}^{x_o + \frac{u}{2}} \int_{y_o - \frac{v}{2}}^{y_o + \frac{v}{2}} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m\pi y}{b} dx dy$$

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Patch load

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■ Evaluating integrals

$$q_{mn} = \frac{4q_o}{ab} \int_{x_o - \frac{u}{2}}^{x_o + \frac{u}{2}} \int_{y_o - \frac{v}{2}}^{y_o + \frac{v}{2}} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m\pi y}{b} dx dy$$

$$\int_{x_o - \frac{u}{2}}^{x_o + \frac{u}{2}} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} dx = \frac{2a}{m\pi} \sin \left(\frac{m\pi x_o}{a} \right) \sin \left(\frac{m\pi u}{2a} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow q_{mn} = \frac{16}{mn \pi^2} q_o \sin \left(\frac{m\pi x_o}{a} \right) \sin \left(\frac{m\pi u}{2a} \right) \sin \left(\frac{n\pi y_o}{b} \right) \sin \left(\frac{m\pi v}{2b} \right)$$

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Patch load

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■ Deflection

$$w(x, y) = \frac{16q_o}{\pi^6 D} \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} \frac{S_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)}{mn \left[\left(\frac{m}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{b}\right)^2 \right]}$$

where,

$$S_{mn} = \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x_o}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi u}{2a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y_o}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi v}{2b}\right)$$



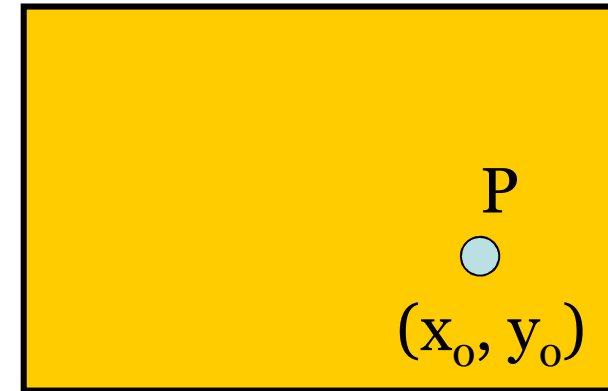
Point load

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■ Point load

Assume the point load acts over an infinitesimal area $u \times v$

Corresponding UDL $q_o = \frac{P}{uv}$



From the earlier analysis

$$q_{mn} = \frac{16}{mn \pi^2} q_o \sin \frac{m\pi x_o}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y_o}{b} \sin \frac{m\pi u}{2a} \sin \frac{n\pi v}{2b}$$

$$\Rightarrow q_{mn} = \frac{16}{mn uv \pi^2} P \sin \frac{m\pi x_o}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y_o}{b} \sin \frac{m\pi u}{2a} \sin \frac{n\pi v}{2b}$$

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Point load

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■ Simplifying

$$\Rightarrow q_{mn} = \frac{4P}{ab} \sin \frac{m\pi x_o}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y_o}{b} \left(\frac{\sin \frac{m\pi u}{2a}}{\frac{m\pi u}{2a}} \right) \left(\frac{\sin \frac{n\pi v}{2b}}{\frac{n\pi v}{2b}} \right)$$
$$\Rightarrow q_{mn} = \frac{4P}{ab} \sin \frac{m\pi x_o}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y_o}{b}$$

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Point load

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- Deflection due to point load

$$w(x, y) = \frac{4P}{\pi^4 abD} \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} \frac{S'_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b}}{\left[\left(\frac{m}{a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{b} \right)^2 \right]^2}$$

$$S'_{mn} = \sin \frac{m\pi x_o}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y_o}{b}$$



Bending & in-plane loading

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- Plates are subjected to in-plane loading also – in addition to lateral / transverse loads
- In-plane loading – tensile or compressive
- Large in-plane compressive loads – Buckling takes place
- Buckling – non-linear phenomenon – disproportionate increase of displacement with load
- Critical load – ability to resist axial load ceases – change in deformation shape



Bending & in-plane loading

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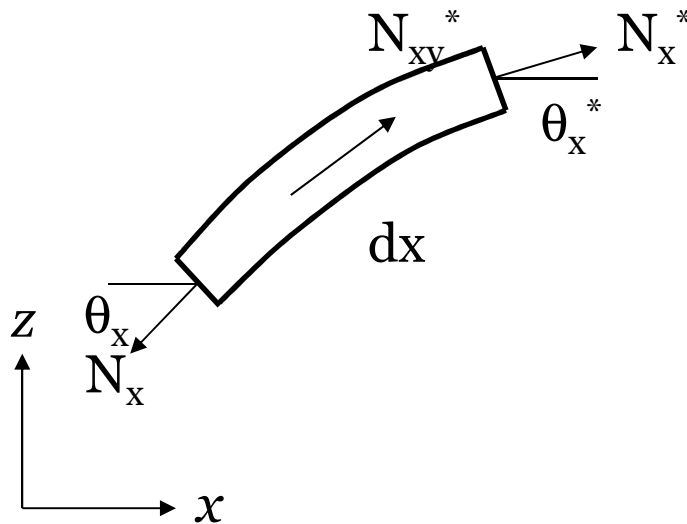
- Thin walled members – cross-sections like ‘I’, ‘L’, ‘H’, ‘C’ etc – undergo buckling – thin plates of small widths
- Combined loading of a rectangular plate – loads
 - In-plane forces: N_x , N_y , N_{xy} and N_{yx}
 - Transverse forces / moments: M_x , M_y , M_{xy} , M_{yx} , Q_x and Q_y
- Small deformation and large deformation



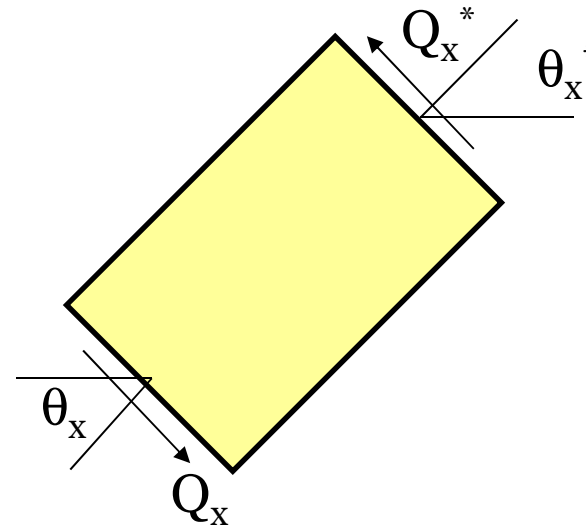
In-plane forces

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- Infinitesimal element $\Rightarrow dA = dx dy$



In-plane loading



Transverse/out-of-plane loading

For small angles $\Rightarrow \sin\theta \approx \theta$ and $\cos\theta \approx 1$



In-plane forces

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- Force equilibrium in x-direction

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -N_x dy \cos \theta_x + \left(N_x + \frac{\partial N_x}{\partial x} dx \right) dy \cos \theta_x^* - N_{xy} dx \cos \theta_y + \\
 & \left(N_{xy} + \frac{\partial N_{xy}}{\partial y} dy \right) dx \cos \theta_y^* - \left(Q_x + \frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial x} dx \right) dy \sin \theta_x^* \\
 & + Q_x dy \sin \theta_x - \left(Q_y + \frac{\partial Q_y}{\partial y} dy \right) dx \sin \theta_y^* + Q_y dx \sin \theta_y = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow \frac{\partial N_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N_{xy}}{\partial y} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

If there are no in-plane forces – equation vanishes
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In-plane forces

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- Force equilibrium in y-direction

$$\frac{\partial N_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N_y}{\partial y} = 0$$

- Angle is not equal to zero, but, small

$$\sin \theta \approx \theta \quad \text{and} \quad \cos \theta \approx 1$$

$$\theta_x = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \quad \theta_y = \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}$$



In-plane forces

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Force equilibrium in x-direction

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -N_x dy + \left(N_x + \frac{\partial N_x}{\partial x} dx \right) dy - N_{xy} dx + \\
 & \left(N_{xy} + \frac{\partial N_{xy}}{\partial y} dy \right) dx - \left(Q_x + \frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial x} dx \right) dy \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} dx \right) \\
 & + Q_x dy \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} - \left(Q_y + \frac{\partial Q_y}{\partial y} dy \right) dx \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} dy \right) + Q_y dx \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Neglect higher order terms

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial N_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N_{xy}}{\partial y} = 0$$

No change in in-plane equilibrium equations

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In-plane forces

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- Similar expression for force equilibrium in y-direction
- Force equilibrium in z-direction
 - Contribution from in-plane normal forces, N_x and N_y and shear force, N_{xy}
 - Contribution from shear force, Q_x and Q_y
 - Contribution from externally applied load, q



Z-direction

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & - N_x dy \sin \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \left(N_x + \frac{\partial N_x}{\partial x} dx \right) dy \sin \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) dx \right) \\
 & - N_y dx \sin \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \left(N_y + \frac{\partial N_y}{\partial y} dy \right) dx \sin \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) dy \right) \\
 & - N_{xy} dx \sin \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \left(N_{xy} + \frac{\partial N_{xy}}{\partial y} dy \right) dx \sin \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) dy \right) \\
 & - N_{xy} dy \sin \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \left(N_{xy} + \frac{\partial N_{xy}}{\partial x} dx \right) dy \sin \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) dx \right) \\
 & - Q_x dy \cos \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \left(Q_x + \frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial x} dx \right) dy \cos \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) dx \right) \\
 & - Q_y dx \cos \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \left(Q_y + \frac{\partial Q_y}{\partial y} dy \right) dx \cos \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) dy \right) + q dx dy = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

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Z-direction

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- If no in-plane forces acting

$$\frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q_y}{\partial y} = -q$$

- Presence of in-plane forces

$$N_x \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + 2N_{xy} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y} + N_y \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q_y}{\partial y} + q = 0$$



Z-direction

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- Substituting Q_x and Q_y

$$Q_x = -D \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla^2 w), \quad Q_y = -D \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\nabla^2 w)$$

$$N_x \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + 2N_{xy} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y} + N_y \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2}$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(-D \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla^2 w) \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(-D \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\nabla^2 w) \right) + q = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^4 w = \frac{1}{D} \left(N_x \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + 2N_{xy} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y} + N_y \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + q \right)$$



Plate buckling

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■ Buckling of thin plate

$$\nabla^4 w = \frac{1}{D} \left[q + N_x \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + 2N_{xy} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y \partial x} + N_y \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

Assume, $q = 0$, in-plane load, $N_x = N_1$, rest zero

$$\frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} + 2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial y^4} = \frac{N_x}{D} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2}$$

Assume all four edges are simply supported –
Navier solution to plate bending



Plate buckling

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■ Plate deflection

$$w = w(x, y) = \sum_m^{\infty} \sum_n^{\infty} w_{mn} \sin \alpha_m x \sin \beta_n y$$

$$\alpha_m = \frac{m\pi}{a}, \quad \beta_n = \frac{n\pi}{b}$$

Substitute in governing equation

$$\alpha_m^4 + 2\alpha_m^2 \beta_n^2 + \beta_n^4 - \frac{N_1}{D} \alpha_m^2 = 0 \quad \text{Characteristic equation}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha_m^2 + \beta_n^2)^2 = \frac{N_1}{D} \alpha_m^2$$

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- From characteristic equation

$$(\alpha_m^2 + \beta_n^2)^2 = \frac{N_1}{D} \alpha_m^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{N_1}{D} \left(\frac{m\pi}{a} \right)^2 = \left[\left(\frac{m\pi}{a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{n\pi}{b} \right)^2 \right]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow N_1 = \frac{D\pi^2 a^2}{m^2} \left[\left(\frac{m}{a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{b} \right)^2 \right]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow N_1 = \frac{D\pi^2}{b^2} \left[\frac{m}{c} + \frac{c}{m} n^2 \right]^2$$

$c = a / b$ - Aspect ratio

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- Critical load – smallest value
- Increase in N_1 with n^2 – Minimum value of n is equal to one – buckled shape in y -direction – single half sine wave

$$N_1 = \frac{D\pi^2}{b^2} \left[\frac{m}{c} + \frac{c}{m} \right]^2$$

N_1 is a function of variable 'm' – for minimum value of 'm', differentiate N_1 wrt 'm'



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■ Differentiate

$$\frac{dN_1}{dm} = \frac{2\pi^2 D}{b^2} \left(\frac{m}{c} + \frac{c}{m} \right) \left(\frac{1}{c} - \frac{c}{m^2} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{c} - \frac{c}{m^2} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = c = \frac{a}{b} \quad \text{Whole number}$$

$$\therefore N_{1cr} = \frac{4D\pi^2}{b^2}$$

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- Number of half sine waves can't be a whole number – it should be an integer
- Equation for critical load for $n = 1$

$$N_1 = K \frac{D\pi^2}{b^2} \quad K = \left[\frac{m}{c} + \frac{c}{m} \right]^2$$

Plotting 'K' vs aspect ratio = $c = a/b$
for various integer values of 'm'



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■ K vs aspect ratio

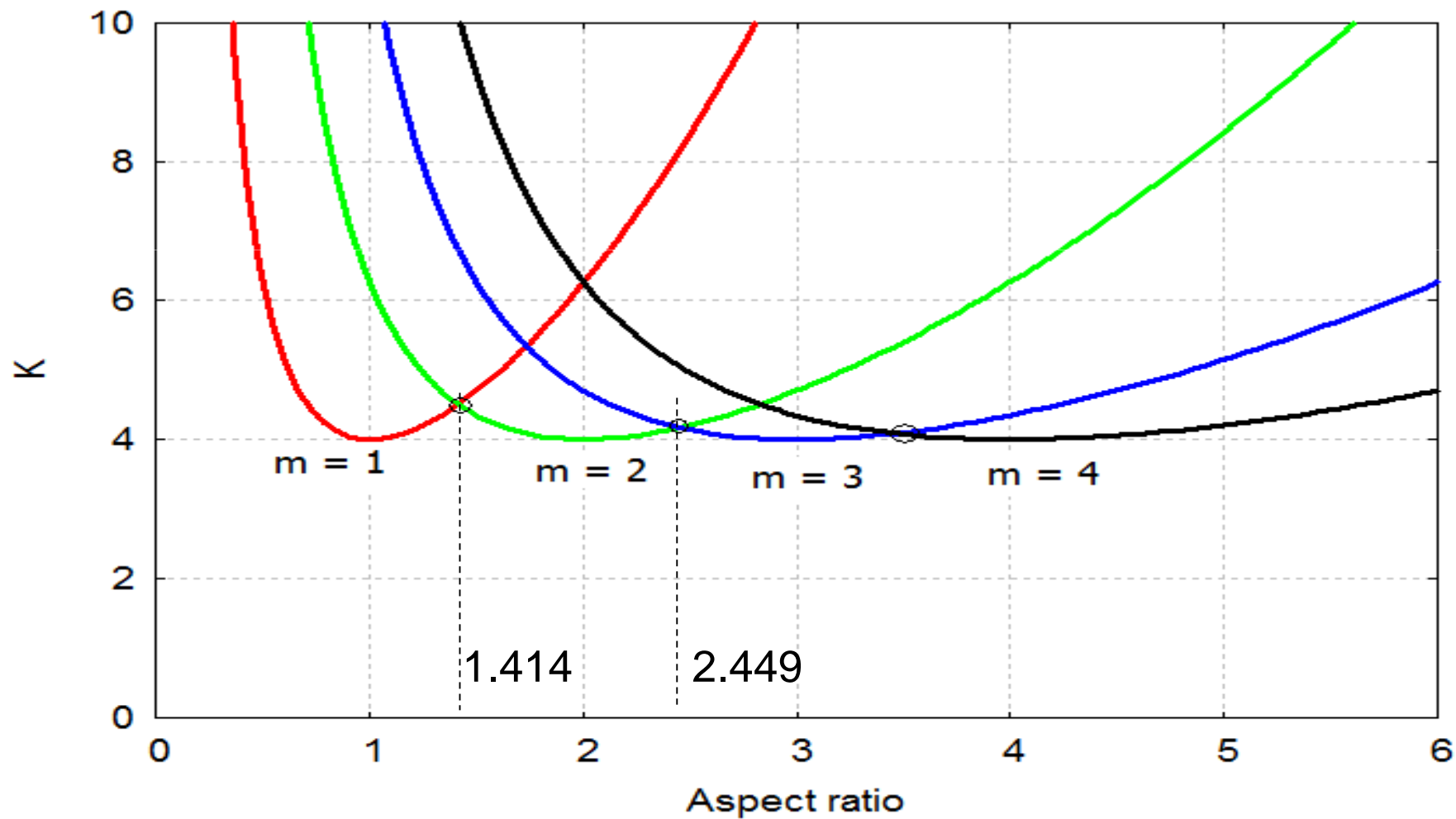




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- From figure, value of 'K' is same as intersection points of 'm' and 'm+1'

N_1 critical load at m – when load is increased, buckled form changes from 'm' to 'm+1'

At transition from 'm' to 'm+1'

$$\left(\frac{m}{c} + \frac{c}{m}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{m+1}{c} + \frac{c}{m+1}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = m(m+1)$$

$$c = \sqrt{m(m+1)}$$

Curves for $m = 1$ and $m = 2$ meet at $c = \sqrt{2}$

Aspect ratio less than $\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow m = 1$

Aspect ratio from $\sqrt{2}$ to $\sqrt{6}$, $m = 2$

$C > 4 \Rightarrow K \approx 4$



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■ Estimation of buckling load

$t = 1 \text{ cm}$, $a = 2.3 \text{ m}$, $b = 1 \text{ m}$, $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$, $\nu = 0.30$

Flexural modulus

$$D = \frac{Et^3}{12(1-\nu^2)} = \frac{200 \times 10^9 \times (1 \times 10^{-2})^2}{12(1-0.3^2)} = 17.96 \text{ kNm}$$

$$c = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{2.3}{1} = 2.3 \Rightarrow m = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow K = \left[\frac{m}{c} + \frac{c}{m} \right]^2 = \left[\frac{2}{2.3} + \frac{2.3}{2} \right]^2 = 4.0786$$

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- Minimum critical load

$$N_{1cr} = K \frac{D\pi^2}{b^2} = 4.086 \times \frac{D\pi^2}{b^2} = 73.72 \text{ MN} / m$$

$$N = N_{1cr} \times b = 73.72 \text{ MN}$$

In the above expression, for a given width and elastic properties of plate, critical load depends on 'K'. In turn 'K' depends on 'm' for a given aspect ratio, c

$$c = 2.3, m = 1, K = 7.4790$$

$$m = 2, K = 4.0786$$

$$m = 3, K = 4.2890$$

Minimum value of 'K' is considered for estimation of N_{cr}



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- Uniaxial load for plate buckling

$$N_{1crp} = K \frac{D\pi^2}{b^2}$$

$$\sigma_{1crp} = \frac{N_{1crp}}{t} = K \frac{D\pi^2}{b^2 t} = K \frac{\pi^2}{b^2 t} \frac{Et^3}{12(1-\nu^2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{1crp} = \frac{K}{12(1-\nu^2)} \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{b}{t}\right)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{1crp} = C_1 \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{b}{t}\right)^2}, \quad C_1 = \frac{K}{12(1-\nu^2)}$$

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■ Buckling of a column

$$P_{cr} = C_2 \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_{cr} = C_2 \frac{\pi^2 E A k^2}{l^2} = C_2 \frac{\pi^2 EA}{\left(\frac{l}{k}\right)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{crc} = \frac{P_{cr}}{A} = C_2 \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{l}{k}\right)^2} \quad \text{Column}$$

$$\sigma_{crp} = C_1 \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{b}{t}\right)^2} \quad \text{Plate}$$

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- Critical stress for plate depends on thickness ratio = t/b – not on the length
 - depends on width
- More thinner plate – lesser buckling load
- Critical stress in column depends on slenderness ratio
- Longer columns – lower critical load



Strain energy

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- In thin plate theory, out-of-plane shear stresses vanish $\Rightarrow \tau_{xz}$, τ_{yz} and τ_{zz}
- Stress components contributing to strain energy $\Rightarrow \sigma_{xx}$, σ_{yy} and τ_{xy}
- Strain energy,

Linear elastic material

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int_V (\sigma_{xx} \epsilon_{xx} + \sigma_{yy} \epsilon_{yy} + \tau_{xy} \gamma_{xy}) dV$$

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$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int_V \left\{ \sigma_{xx} \quad \sigma_{yy} \quad \tau_{xy} \right\} \left\{ \varepsilon_{xx} \quad \varepsilon_{yy} \quad \gamma_{xy} \right\}^T dV$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \tau_{xy} \end{Bmatrix} = -\frac{Ez}{1-\nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1+\nu}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} \\ \varepsilon_{yy} \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{Bmatrix} = -\frac{Ez}{1-\nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1+\nu}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \\ 2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{\sigma\} = [C]\{\varepsilon\}$$

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$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int_V \{\sigma\}^T \{\epsilon\} dV = \frac{1}{2} \int_V \{\epsilon\}^T [C] \{\epsilon\} dV$$

$$\Rightarrow U = \frac{E}{2(1-\nu^2)} \int_V \left[\begin{array}{l} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \\ + \left(\nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} \right) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \\ + 2(1-\nu) \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y} \right)^2 \end{array} \right] z^2 dV$$

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- Infinitesimal volume, $dV = dx dy dz$
- Carry out integration over thickness $\Rightarrow dz$

$$\int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{+\frac{h}{2}} z^2 dz = \frac{h^3}{12}$$

$$D = \frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\nu^2)}$$

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■ Simplify

$$U = \frac{D}{2} \int_A \left\{ \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right)^2 - 2(1-\nu) \left[\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} - \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y} \right)^2 \right] \right\} dx dy$$

Strain energy – Finite Element Method – Total potential approach



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