Dr. J. Starcevic/Prof. Popov Colloquium Mechanics for advanced I Problems: bending of beams

I. In a beam (length *l*) the following bending moment was measured as function of coordinate x: $M(x) = M_0 e^{x/l}$.

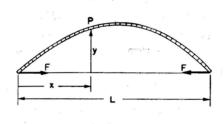
Determine the support reactions at both ends of the beam! Is a line load acting on the beam? If so, determine the line load!

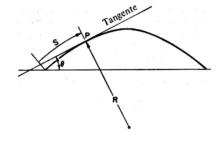
II. Determine the torsional stiffness of a helical spring with the following parameters: material of the wire is steel, diameter of the wire 1 mm, diameter of the coil 1 cm, number of turns: 10.

Note: Think of the beam equation in the form $M = -EI \frac{d\theta(s)}{ds}$.

III. Prove that for the shown curved elastic rod the following equation applies:

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{ds^2} = -\frac{F}{EI}\sin\theta:$$

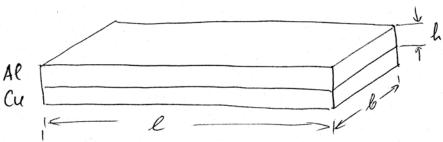




IV. Determine the deflection of a bimetallic plate (aluminum-copper) due to increase in temperature of 50° .

Material data: $E_{Al} = 70 \,\text{GPa}$, $E_{Cu} = 120 \,\text{GPa}$, $\alpha_{Al} = 23 \cdot 10^{-5} 1 / \,\text{K}$, $\alpha_{Cu} = 16 \cdot 10^{-5} 1 / \,\text{K}$.

First try to solve a simplified task by assuming that the two elastic moduli are both equal to 100 GPa.



V. Determine the bending stiffness of a beam consisting of three plates with elastic moduli E_1, E_2, E_1 .

Cross-section:

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