

# STATICALLY INDETERMINATE STRUCTURES

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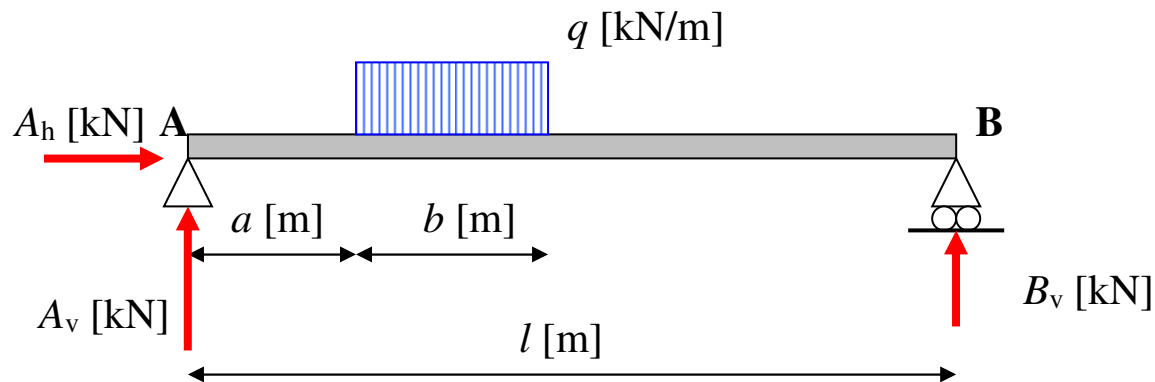
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# STATICALLY DETERMINATE STRUCTURES

## DEFINITION:

FORCE DISTRIBUTION CAN BE DETERMINED BASED UP ON EQUILIBRIUM **SOLELY**.



3 unknown support reactions

3 equilibrium conditions

$$\sum F_h (\rightarrow) = 0 \quad \sum F_v (\uparrow) = 0$$

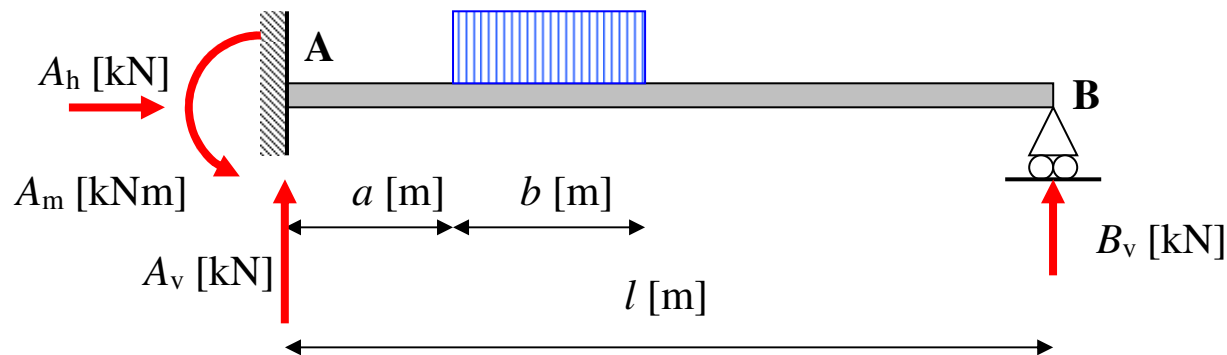
$$\sum T = 0$$

## EXTERNAL EQUILIBIRUM

# STATICALLY INDETERMINATE STRUCTURES

## DEFINITION:

FORCE DISTRIBUTION CAN NOT SOLELY BE FOUND BASED ON EQUILIBRIUM, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED.



4 unknown support reactions

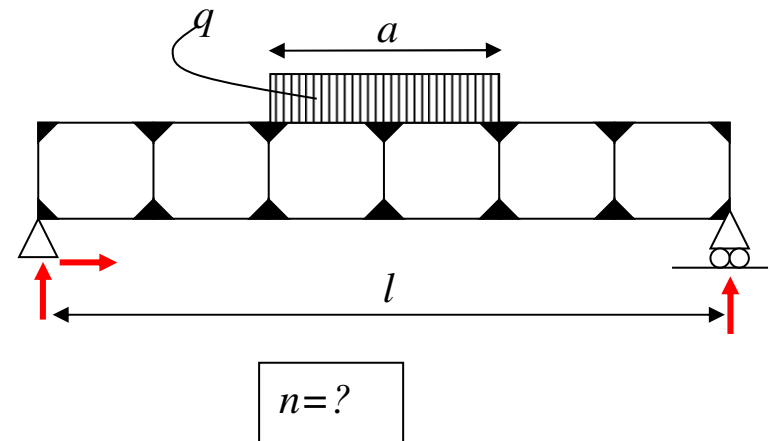
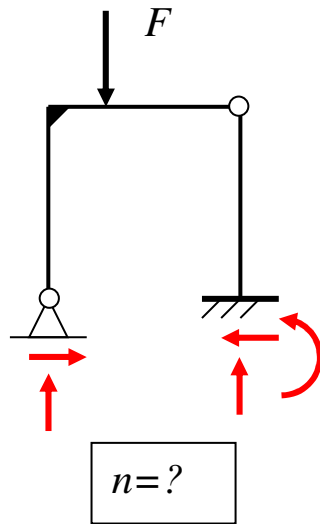
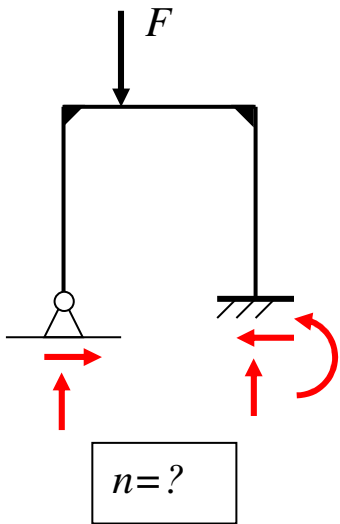
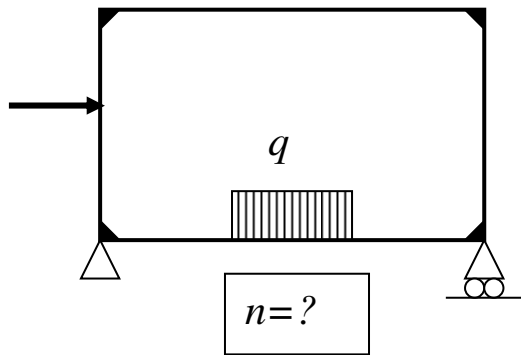
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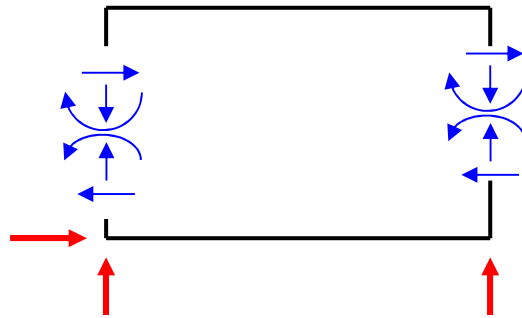
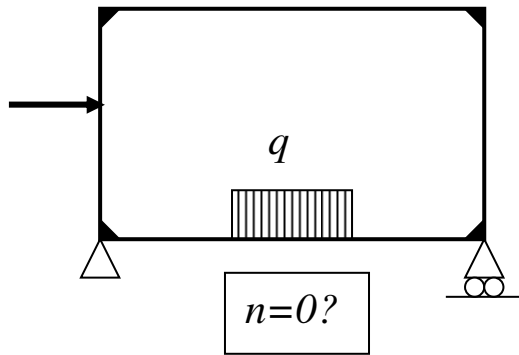
$$\sum F_v (\uparrow) = 0$$

(simply) STATICALLY INDETERMINATE  $n > 0$

# EXAMPLES



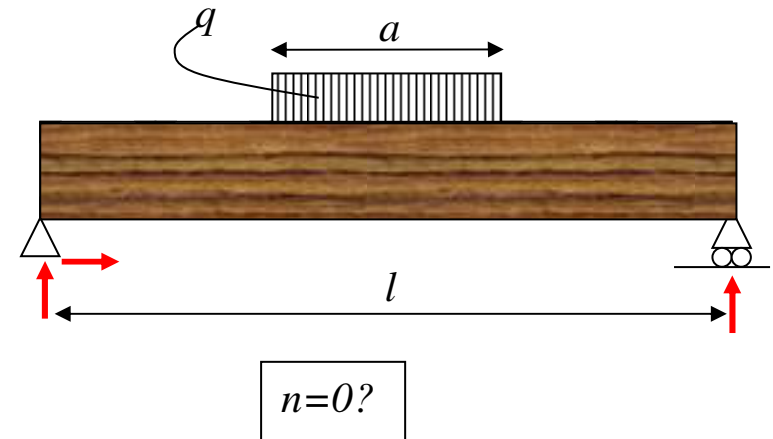
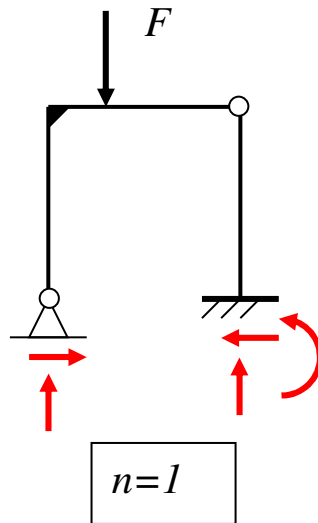
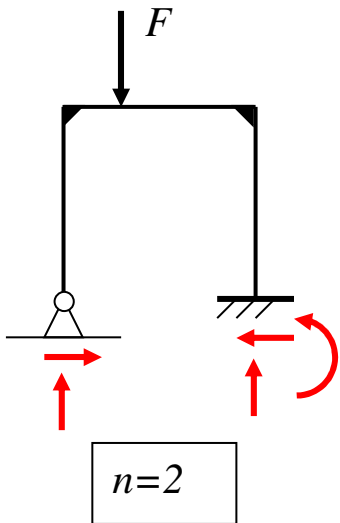
# ANSWERS



$$n = r + if - e$$

$$n = 3 + 6 - 2 \times 3 = 3$$

$n$	= degree of statically indeterminacy
$r$	= nr of unknown support reactions
$if$	= nr of interaction forces
$e$	= nr of equilibrium conditions



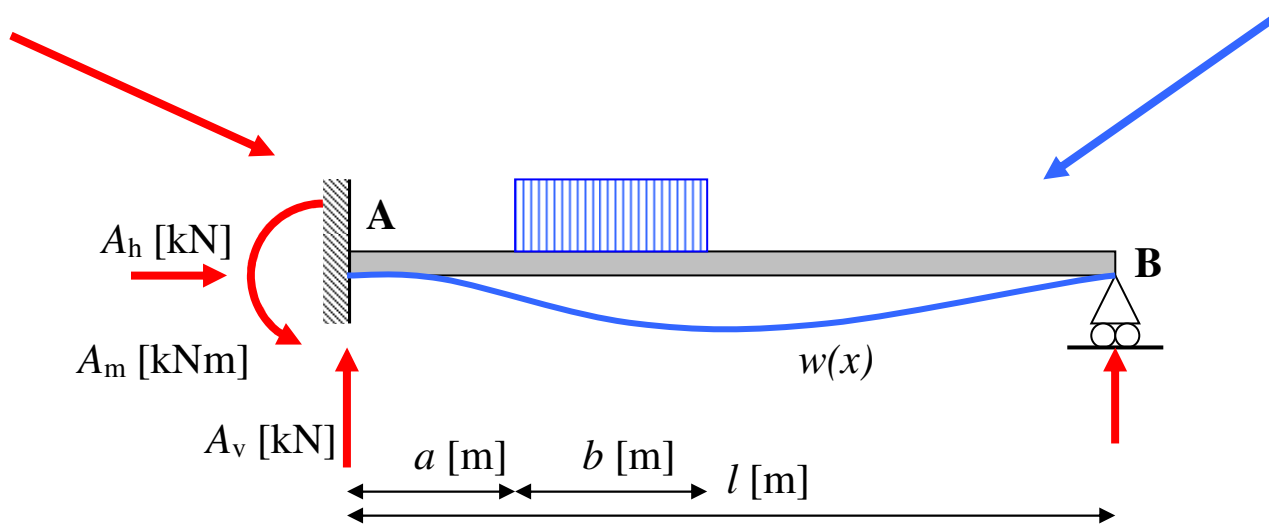
# FORCE DISTRIBUTION IN STATICALLY INDETERMINATE STRUCTURES

## FORCE METHOD

Fundamental unknowns such as support reactions or member forces

## DISPLACEMENT METHOD

Fundamental unknowns are displacements (or rotations) of the nodes or members.



**FORCE**

## METHOD

- Suitable for hand calculations
- Minimize work by “smart” engineering choices
- Practise and understanding required

## DISPLACEMENT METHOD

(stiffness or matrix method)

- Systematic method
- Most suitable to be programmed
- Engine for FEM computerprograms

## MIXED or HYBRID METHOD

- Both forces and displacements are unknown

Kinematic relations

$$\kappa = -\frac{d^2 w}{dx^2}$$

Constitutive relations

$$M = EI\kappa = -EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2}$$

Equilibrium conditions

$$\frac{dM}{dx} = V \quad \text{en} \quad \frac{dV}{dx} = -q(x)$$

## FORCE METHOD

Do not only consider **EQUILIBRIUM** but also the **DEFORMATIONS** of the structure due to the loading.

APPROACH:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{NUMBER OF EQUILIBRIUM CONDITIONS} \\ & \quad + \\ & \text{NUMBER OF DEFORMATION CONDITIONS} \\ & \quad = \\ & \text{NUMBER OF UNKNOWNNS} \end{aligned}$$



## SYSTEMATIC APPROACH for the FORCE METHOD

- Choose a statically determinate **PRINCIPAL SYSTEM**
- Mark the **STATICALLY UNKNOWN(S)**
- Set up the corresponding **DEFORMATION CONDITION(S)**
- Elaborate the **DEFORMATION CONDITION(S)** with either the **REDUCED MOMENT AREA THEOREME** or the **FORGET-ME-NOTS**
- Solve the **STATICALLY UNKNOWN(S)** from these conditions
- Determine the **LOAD DISTRIBUTION** ( $M$ -,  $V$ - and  $N$ -lines)

# RELATION BETWEEN STATICALLY UNKNOWN AND THE CORRESPONDING DEFORMATION CONDITIONS

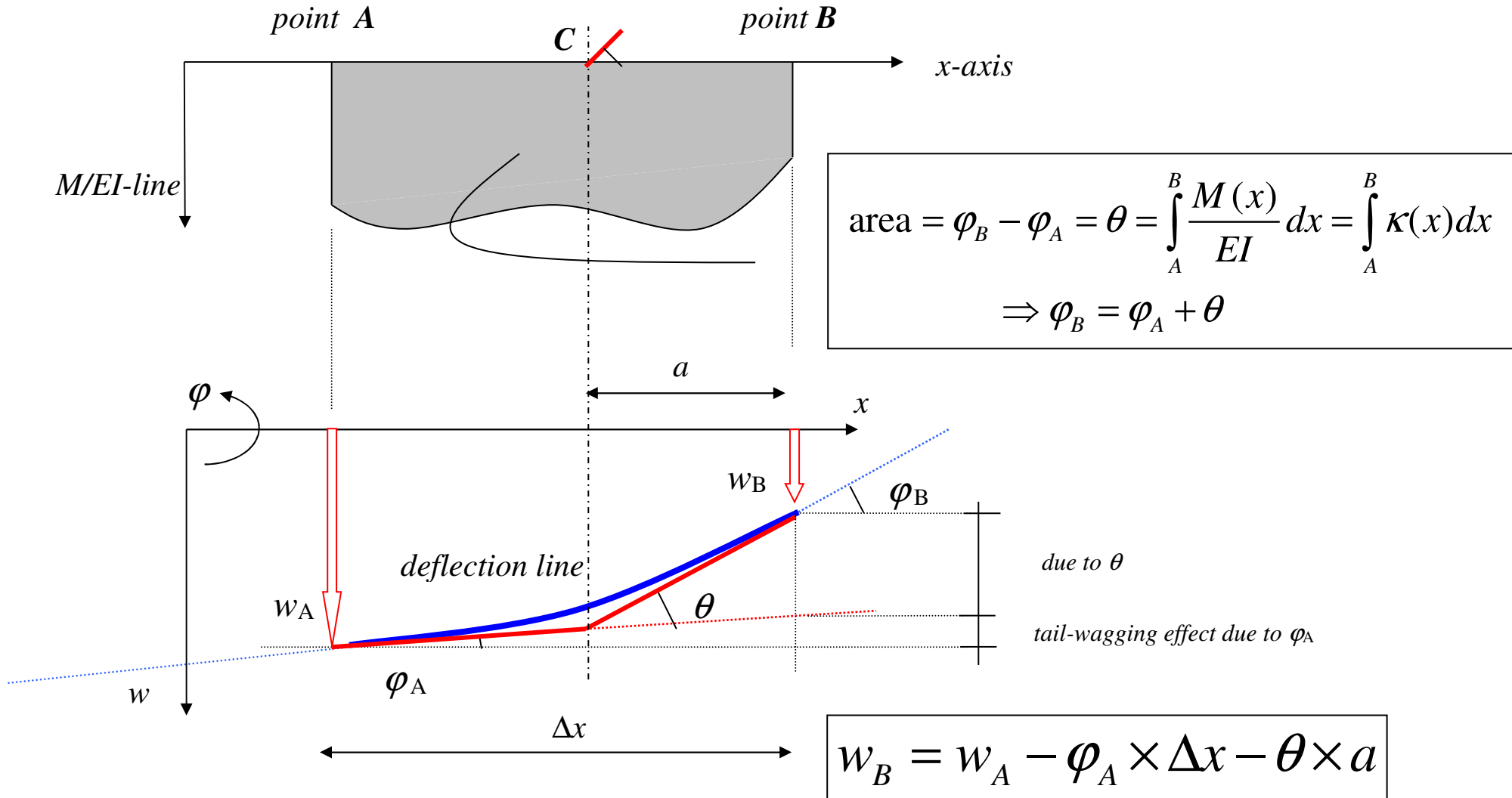
S.U is a FORCE

→ Deformation condition based up on a displacement

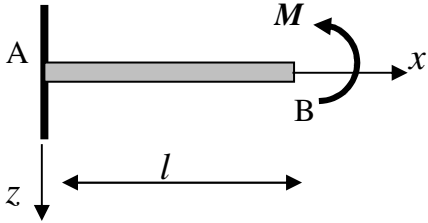
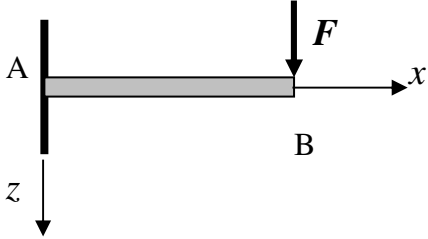
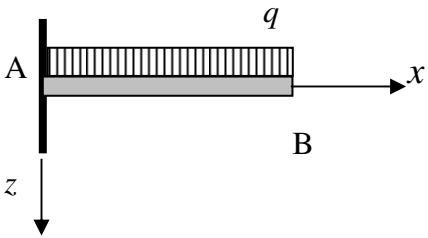
S.U. is a MOMENT

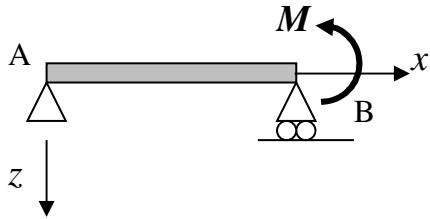
→ Deformation condition based upon a rotation

# REDUCED MOMENTAREA THEOREME



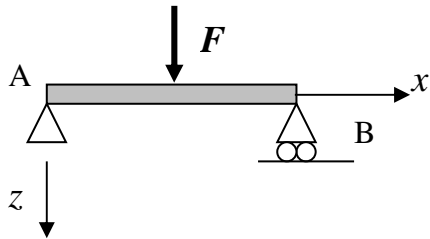
# FORGET-ME-NOTS : ENGINEERING FORMULAS

	$\varphi_B = \frac{Ml}{EI}$ $w_B = -\frac{Ml^2}{2EI}$
	$\varphi_B = -\frac{Fl^2}{2EI}$ $w_B = \frac{Fl^3}{3EI}$
	$\varphi_B = -\frac{ql^3}{6EI}$ $w_B = \frac{ql^4}{8EI}$



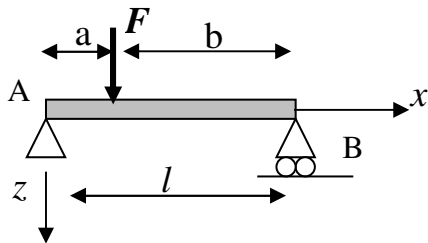
$$\varphi_A = -\frac{Ml}{6EI}$$

$$\varphi_B = \frac{Ml}{3EI} \quad w_{midden} = \frac{Ml^2}{16EI}$$



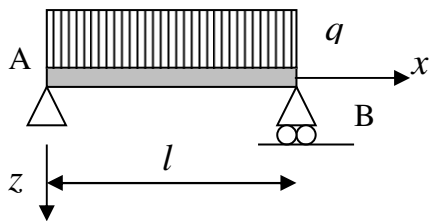
$$\varphi_A = -\frac{Fl^2}{16EI} \quad \varphi_B = \frac{Fl^2}{16EI}$$

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



$$\varphi_A = -\frac{Fab(l+b)}{6EI}$$

$$\varphi_B = \frac{Fab(l+a)}{6EI}$$

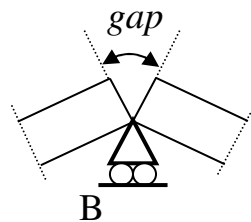
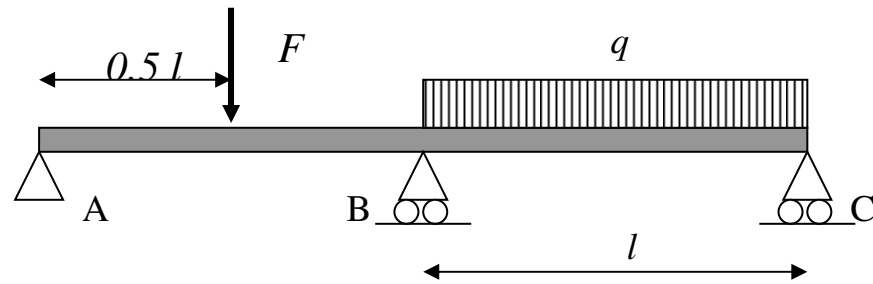


$$\varphi_A = -\frac{ql^3}{24EI} \quad \varphi_B = \frac{ql^3}{24EI}$$

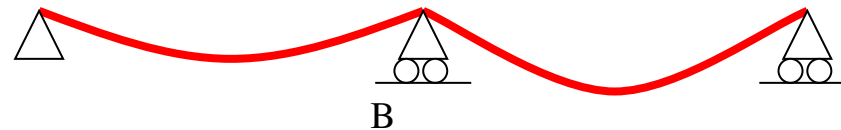
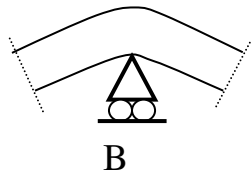
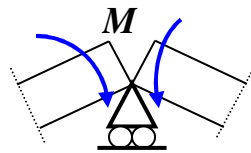
$$w_{max} = \frac{5ql^4}{384EI}$$

# PROBLEM DESCRIPTION FOR STATICALLY INDETERMINATE STRUCTURES (BRACED)

DEGREE of INDETERMINANCY:  
 $n=1$

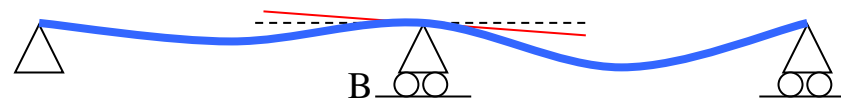


required moment to close the gap



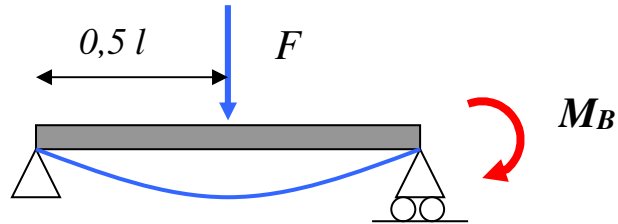
Two separate beams, both statically determinate by splitting the structure at the mid support.

➔ *Dent in deflection*

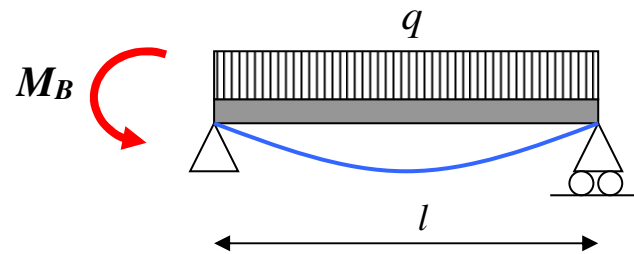


actual deformation without a dent at B  
rotation to the left = rotation to the right

# ELABORATE THE CONCEPT ...



1 static unknown  
(S.U.),  $M_B$

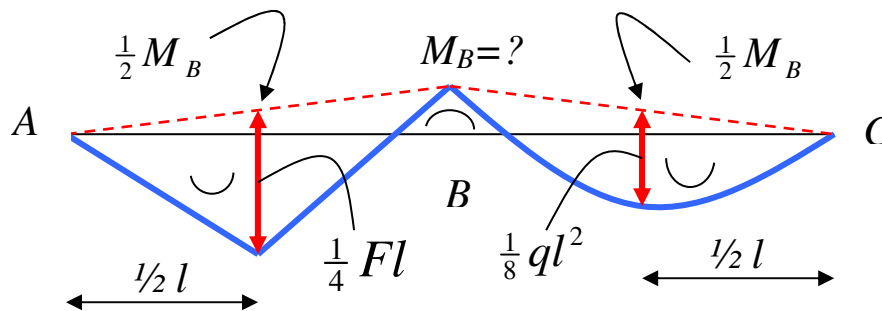


1 deformation or deflection condition

$$\varphi_B^{(AB)} = \varphi_B^{(BC)}$$

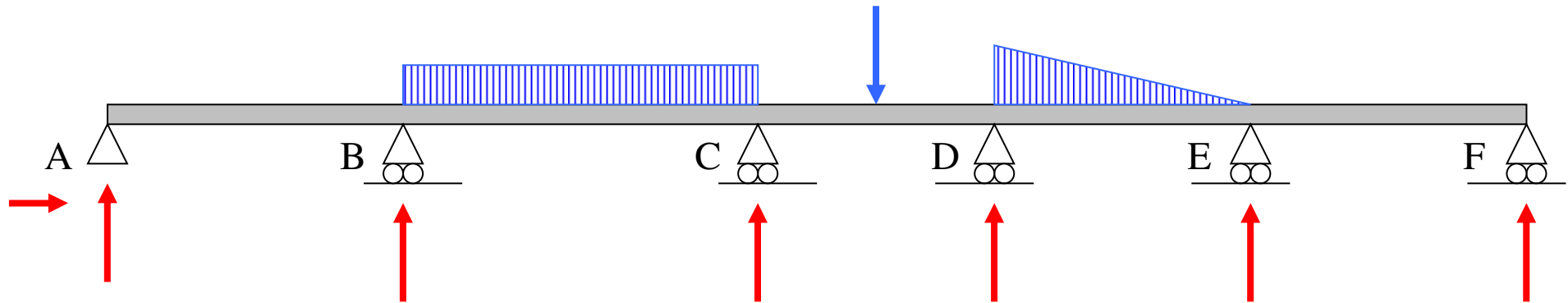
In this form also expressed as:

- **rotational condition**
- gap condition



Solve the S.U. with  
the forget-me-nots

# CONTINUOUS BEAMS



Unknown support reactions : 7  
 Number of equilibrium conditions : 3

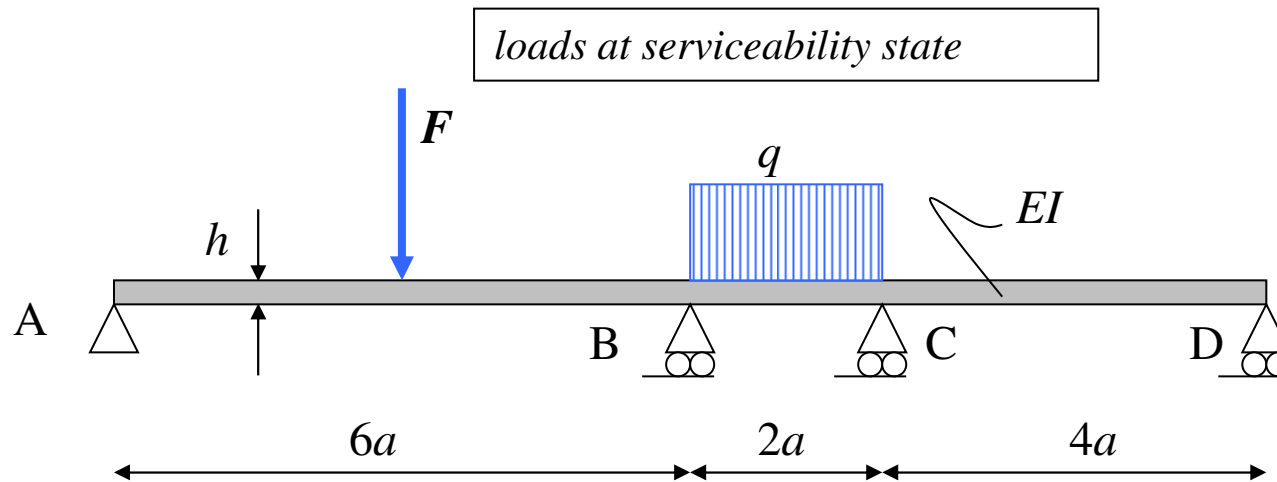
DEGREE of STATIC INDETERMINANCY :  $n= 4$

**THUS : 4 Static Indeterminants AND  
 4 Deformation conditions !**

$\varphi_B^{(BA)} = \varphi_B^{(BC)}$
$\varphi_C^{(CB)} = \varphi_C^{(CD)}$
$\varphi_D^{(DC)} = \varphi_D^{(DE)}$
$\varphi_E^{(ED)} = \varphi_E^{(EF)}$



## EXAMPLE 1 : CONTINUOUS BEAM (*design stage*)



### Variable data :

$$\begin{aligned} F &= 100 \text{ kN} \\ q &= 10 \text{ kN/m} \\ a &= 1,0 \text{ m} \\ h &= 0,26 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

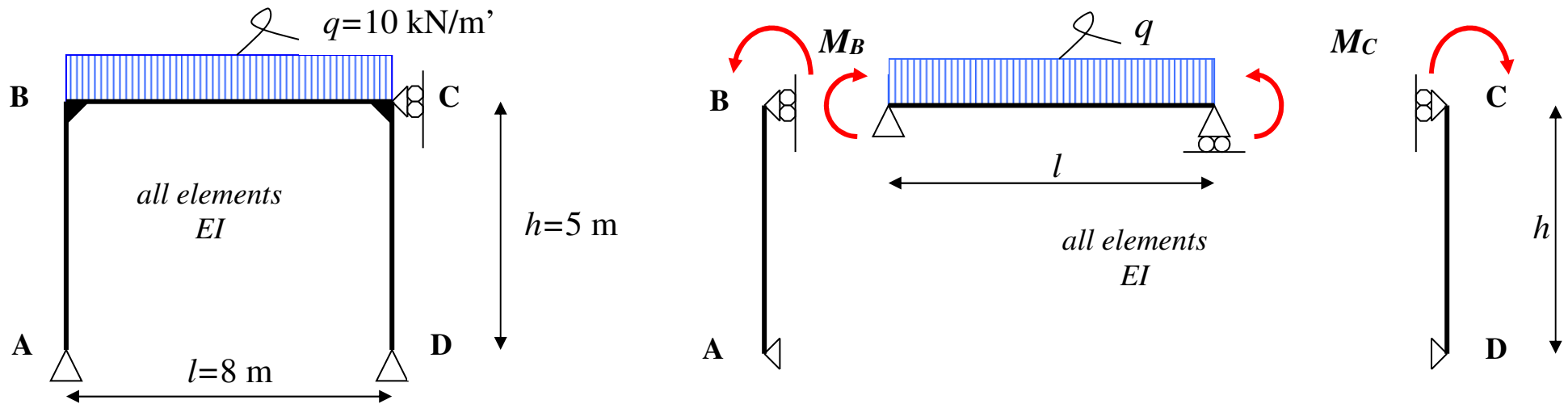
### Fixed data :

$$\begin{aligned} EI &= 1000 \text{ kNm}^2 \\ S235 \end{aligned}$$

### Questions :

- Determine the force distribution
- Determine the deflection at the force  $F$
- **conclusion ?**

## EXAMPLE 2 : FRAME (BRACED)



$$\varphi_B^{(BA)} = \varphi_B^{(BC)}$$

FORGET-ME-NOTS

$$\varphi_C^{(CB)} = \varphi_C^{(CD)}$$

$$\frac{M_B h}{3EI} = -\frac{M_B l}{3EI} - \frac{ql^3}{24EI} - \frac{M_C l}{6EI}$$

$$\frac{M_B l}{6EI} + \frac{ql^3}{24EI} + \frac{M_C l}{3EI} = -\frac{M_C h}{3EI}$$

## SOLUTION

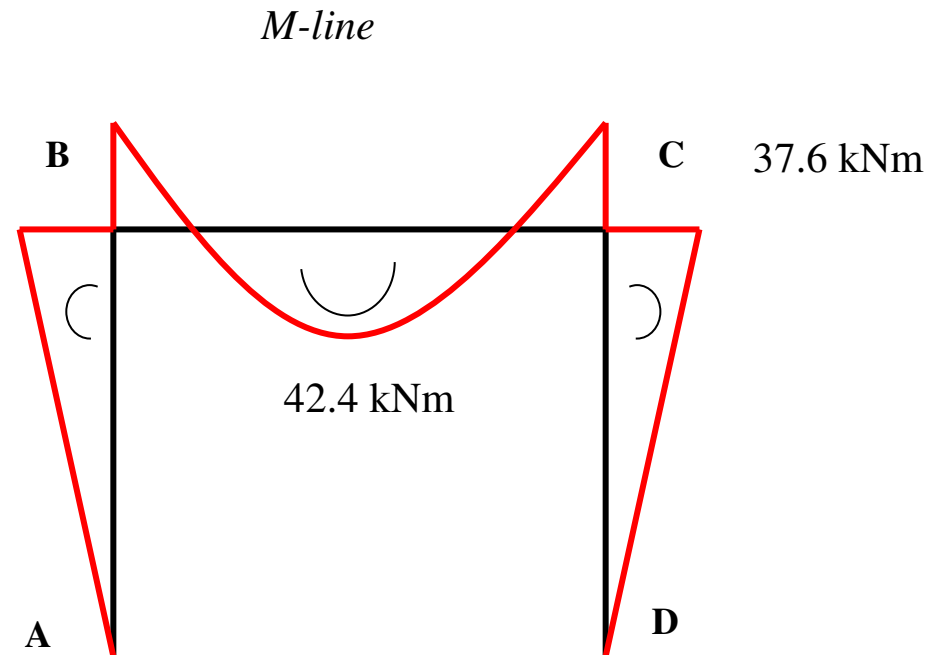
$$\frac{13M_B}{3} + \frac{8M_C}{6} = -\frac{10 \times 8.0^3}{24}$$

$$\frac{8M_B}{6} + \frac{13M_C}{3} = -\frac{10 \times 8.0^3}{24}$$

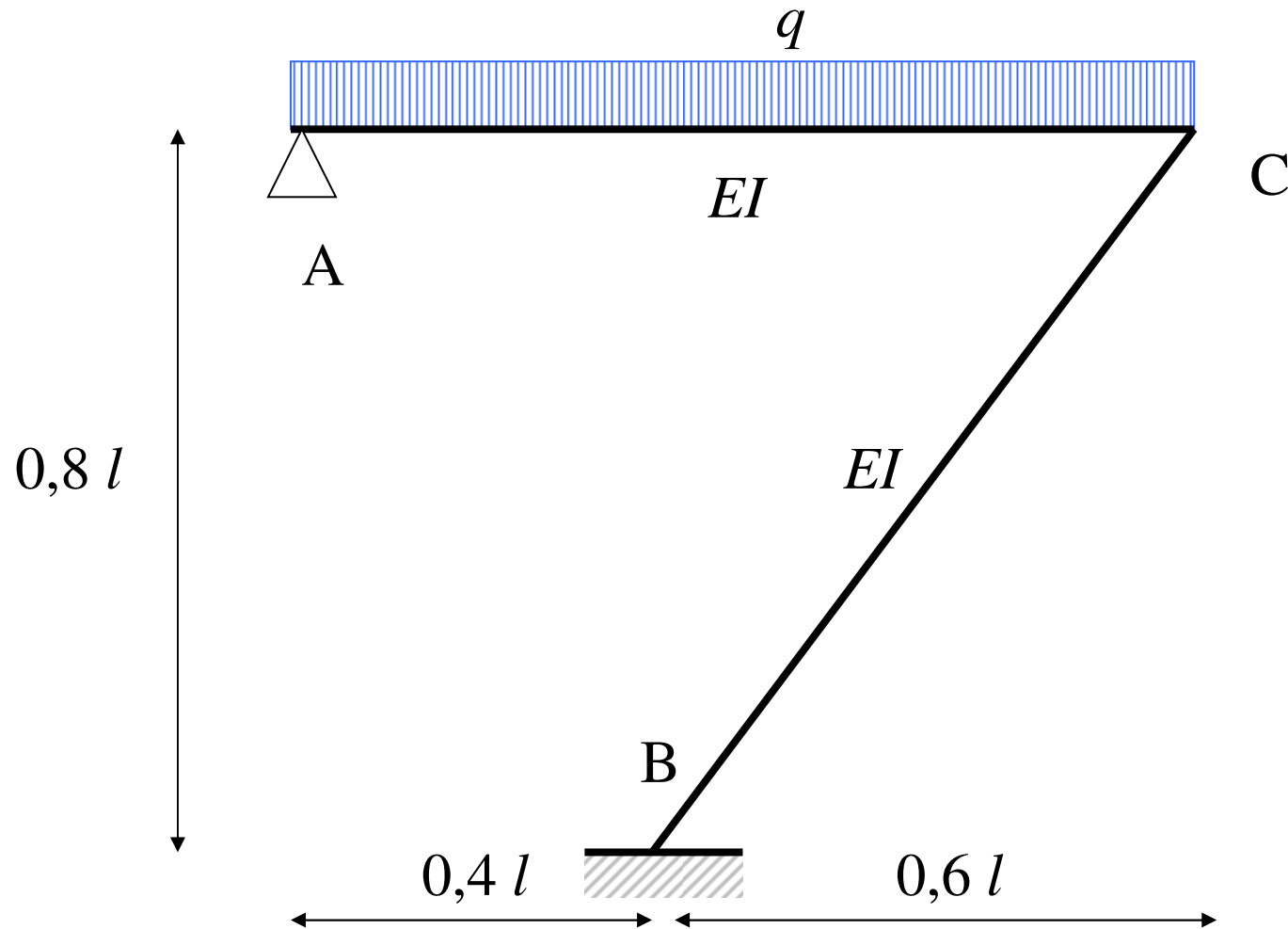
$$M_B = -37.6 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_C = -37.6 \text{ kNm}$$

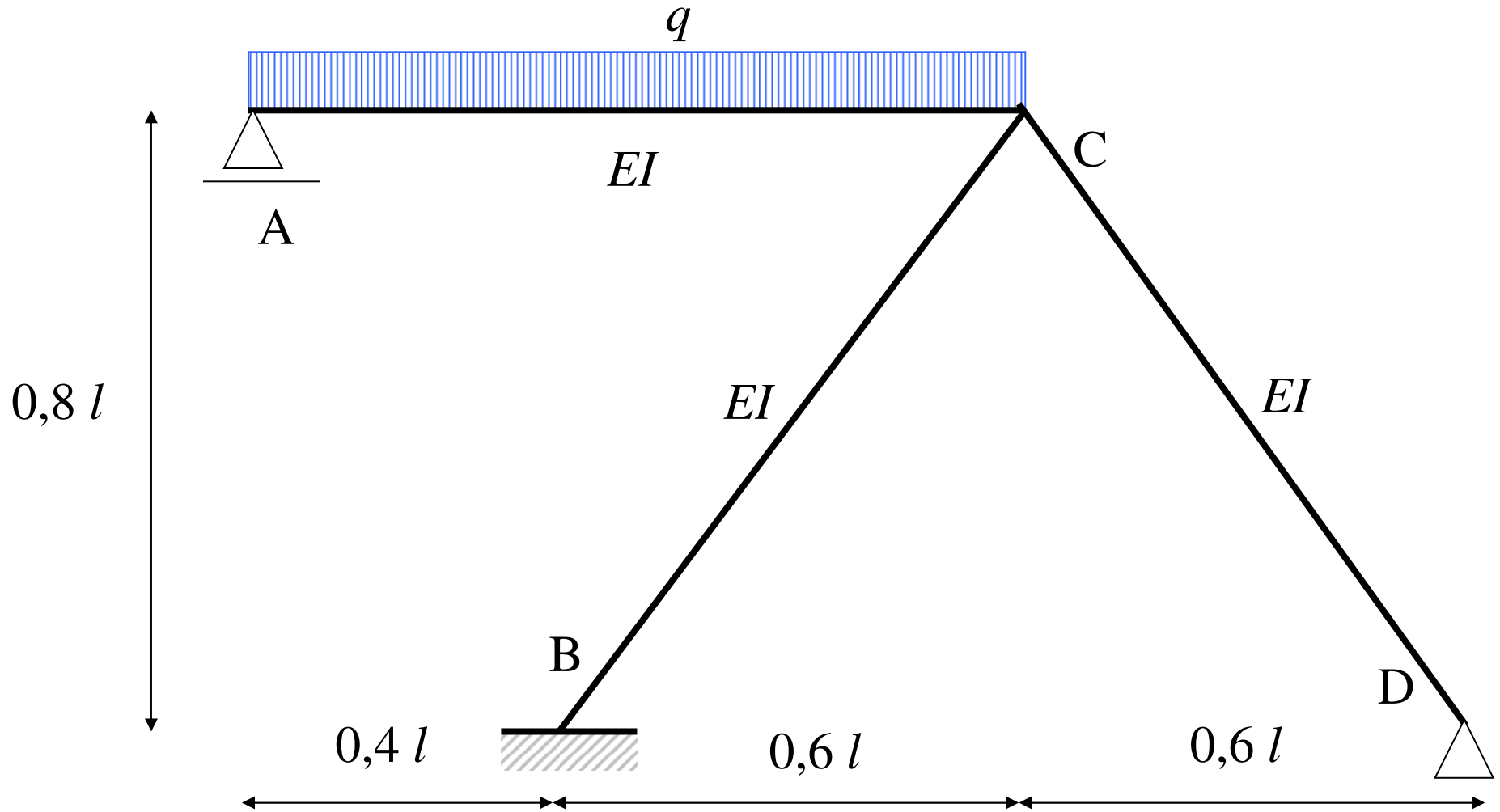
- Shear force distribution (V-line)
- Normal force distribution (N-line)
- Support reactions



## EXAMPLE 3 : FRAME



## EXAMPLE 4 : FRAME



# SOLUTION

$$\varphi_C^{(AC)} = \varphi_C^{(BC)}$$

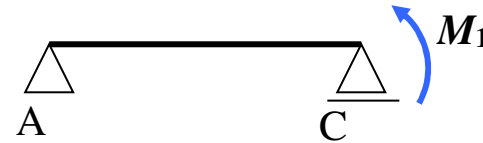
$$\varphi_C^{(AC)} = \varphi_C^{(CD)}$$

$$\varphi_B = 0$$

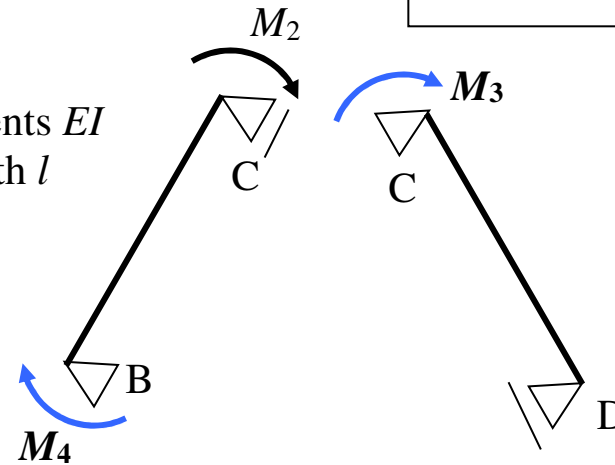
$$\frac{M_1 l}{3EI} + \frac{ql^3}{24EI} = \frac{M_4 l}{6EI} - \frac{M_2 l}{3EI}$$

$$\frac{M_1 l}{3EI} + \frac{ql^3}{24EI} = -\frac{M_3 l}{3EI}$$

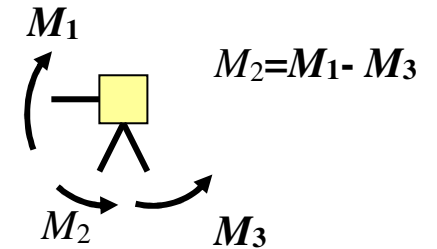
$$-\frac{M_4 l}{3EI} + \frac{M_2 l}{6EI} = 0 \Rightarrow M_4 = \frac{1}{2} M_2$$



all elements  $EI$   
and length  $l$



*equilibrium at the node*



**3-fold statically indeterminate**

3 static indeterminates  
3 deformation conditions

## SOLVING THE UNKNOWNNS

Simplify the expressions by substitution of:

$$M_2 = M_1 - M_3 \quad \text{and} \quad M_4 = \frac{1}{2} M_2 = \frac{1}{2} (M_1 - M_3)$$

Thus:

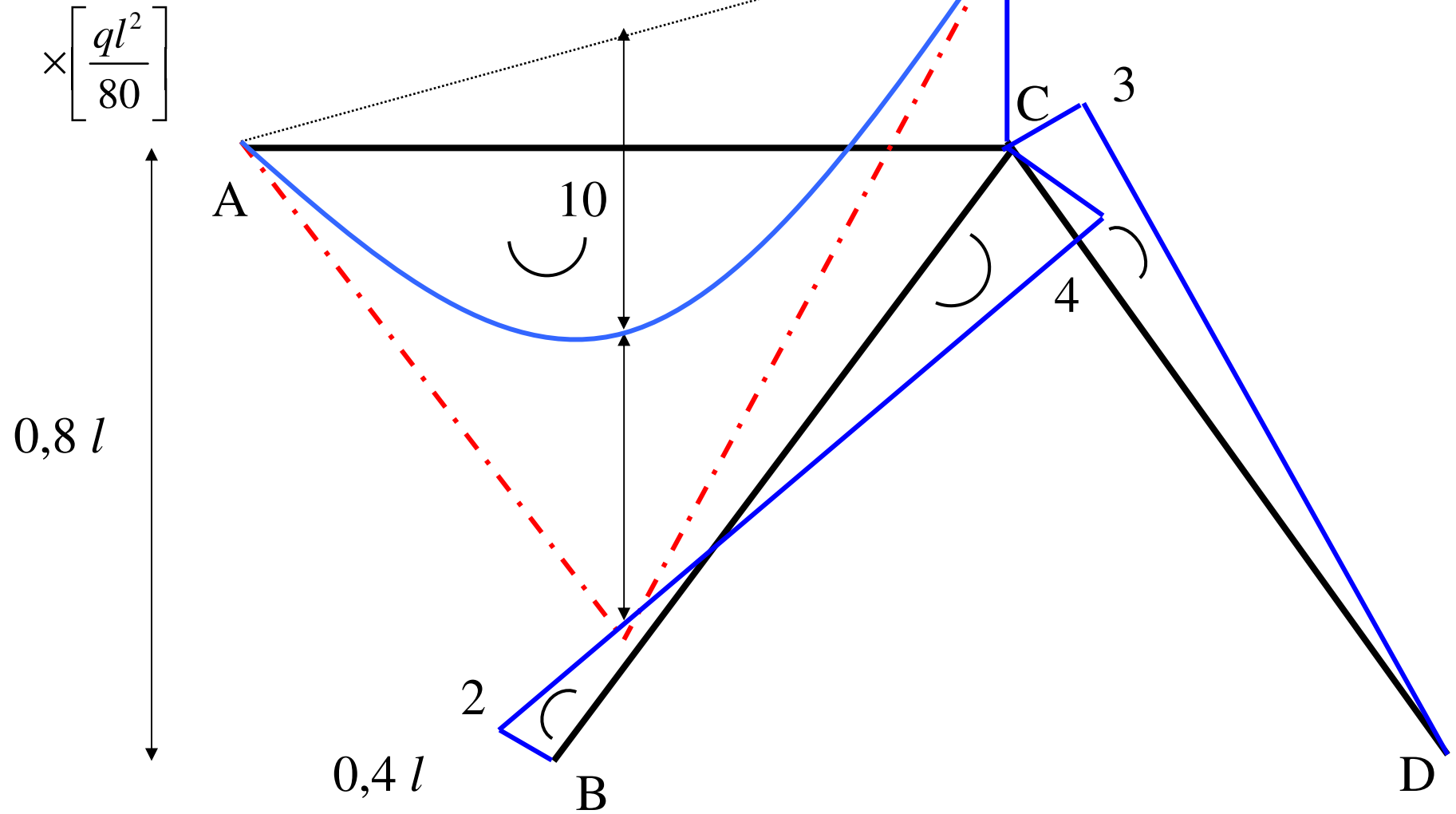
$$\frac{7}{12} M_1 - \frac{1}{4} M_3 = -\frac{1}{24} ql^2 \quad \times 4$$

$$\frac{1}{3} M_1 + \frac{1}{3} M_3 = -\frac{1}{24} ql^2 \quad \times 3$$

$$\frac{40}{12} M_1 = -\frac{7}{24} ql^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad M_1 = -\frac{7}{80} ql^2 \quad M_3 = -\frac{3}{80} ql^2$$

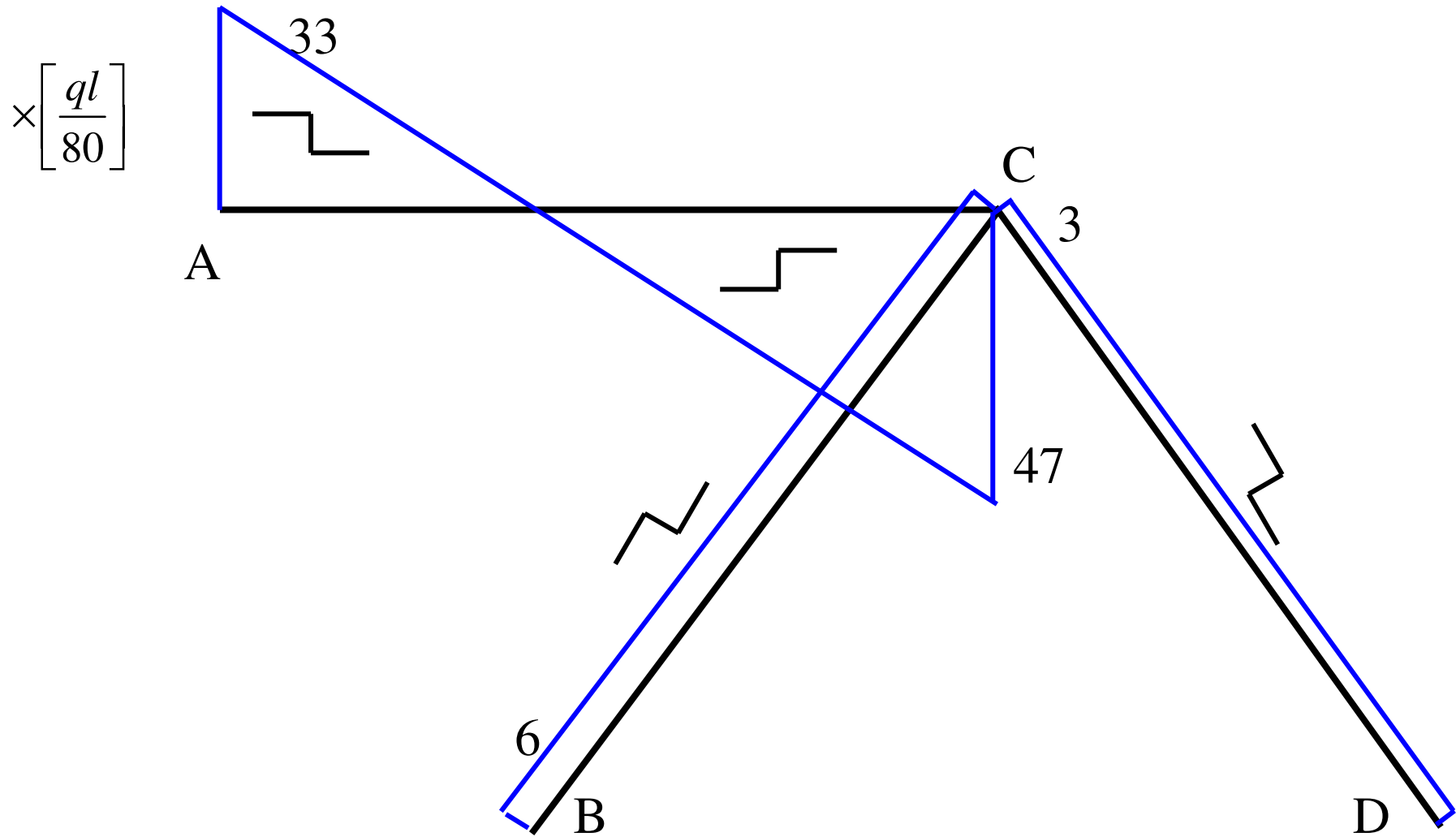
$$M_2 = -\frac{4}{80} ql^2 \quad M_4 = -\frac{2}{80} ql^2$$

# MOMENT LINE

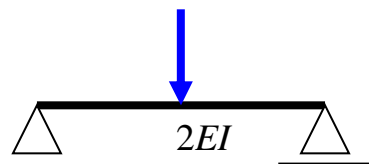




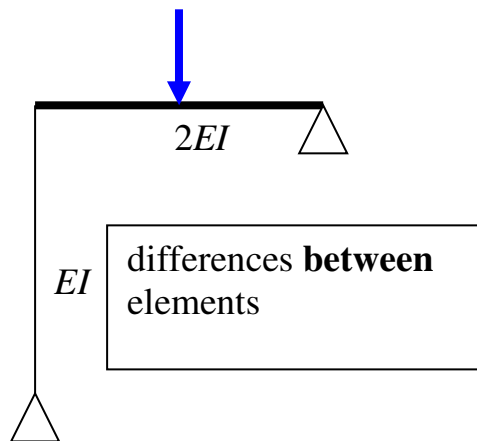
# SHEAR FORCE LINE



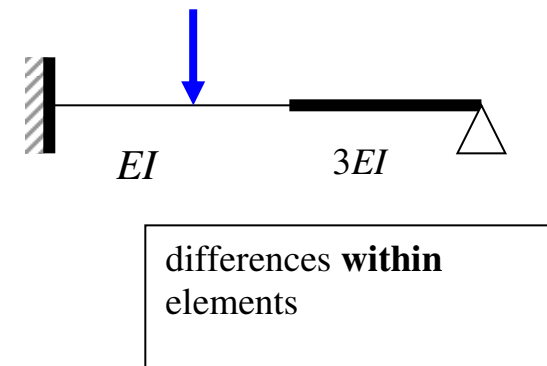
# DIFFERENCES IN STIFFNESS WITHIN A STRUCTURE



(a)



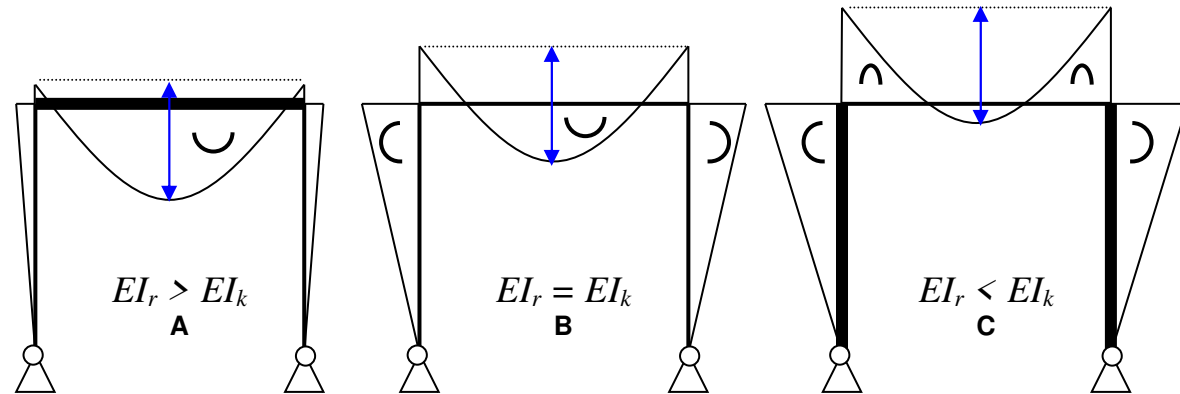
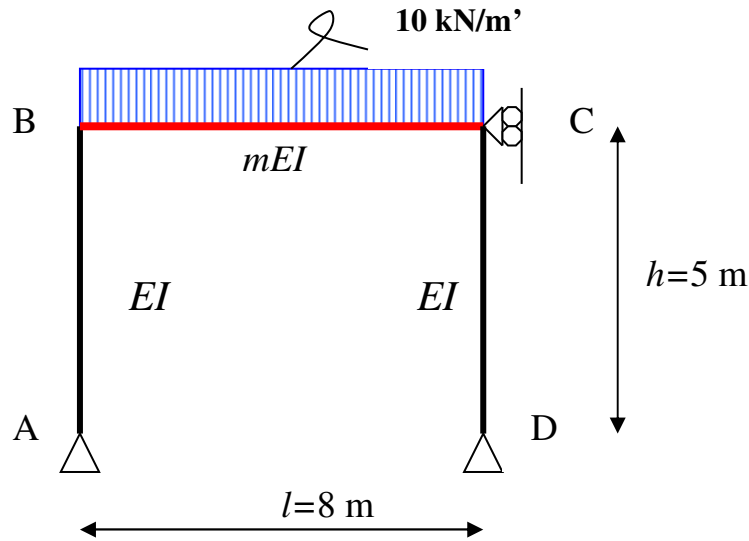
(b)



(c)

INFLUENCE ON THE FORCE DISTRIBUTION ?

# EXAMPLE : SIMPLE FRAME



*Moment distribution for three situations*

$$m = \frac{EI_{beam}}{EI_{column}}$$

WHAT IS THE INFLUENCE OF  $m$  ON THE FORCE DISTRIBUTION ?

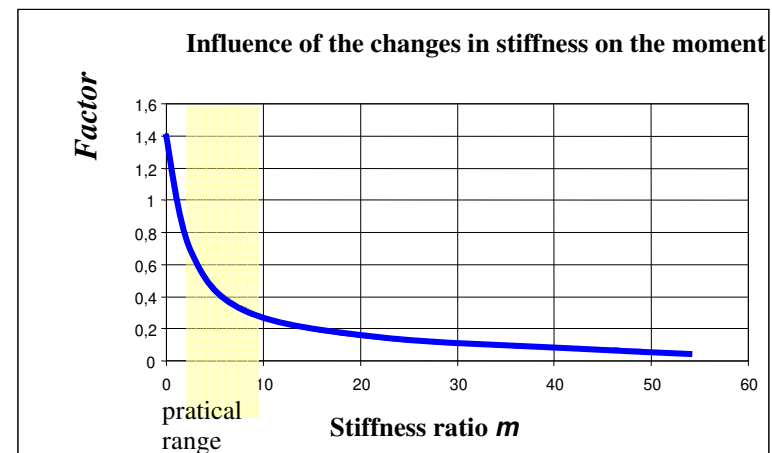
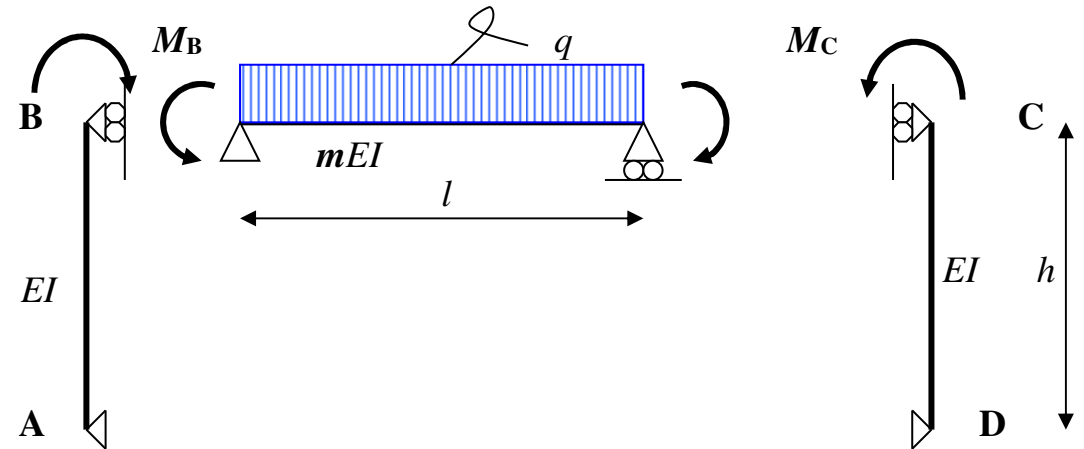
## SOLUTION

$$M_B = \frac{\frac{640}{m} \left( \frac{4}{m} + 5 \right)}{\frac{48}{m^2} + \frac{80}{m} + 25}$$

FOR  $m = 1 \Rightarrow M_B = 37,6 \text{ kNm}$

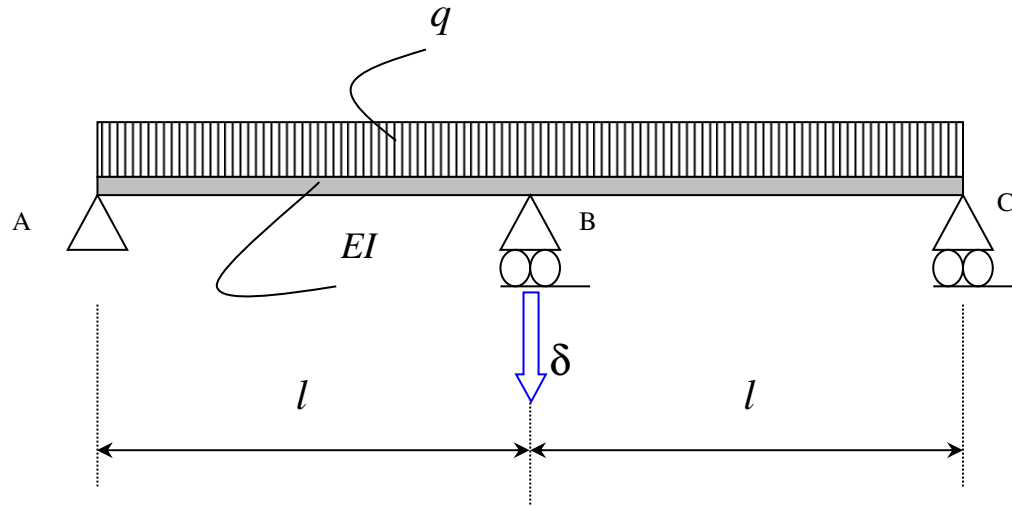
USE A FACTOR:

$$Factor = \frac{M_n}{M_1} = \frac{M_n}{37,6}$$

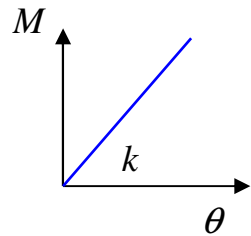


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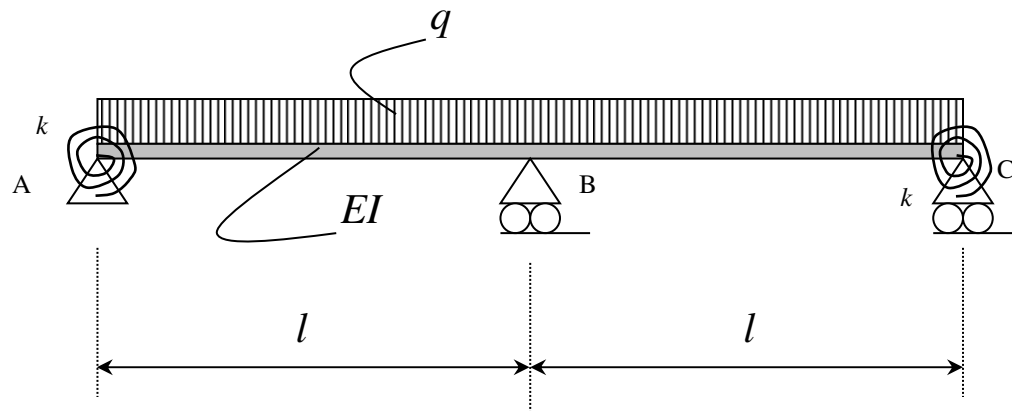
Settlement of the support



Flexible joints



LE rotational spring



# SETTLEMENT OF A SUPPORT

APPROACH IS IDENTICAL AS WITH THE FORCE METHOD

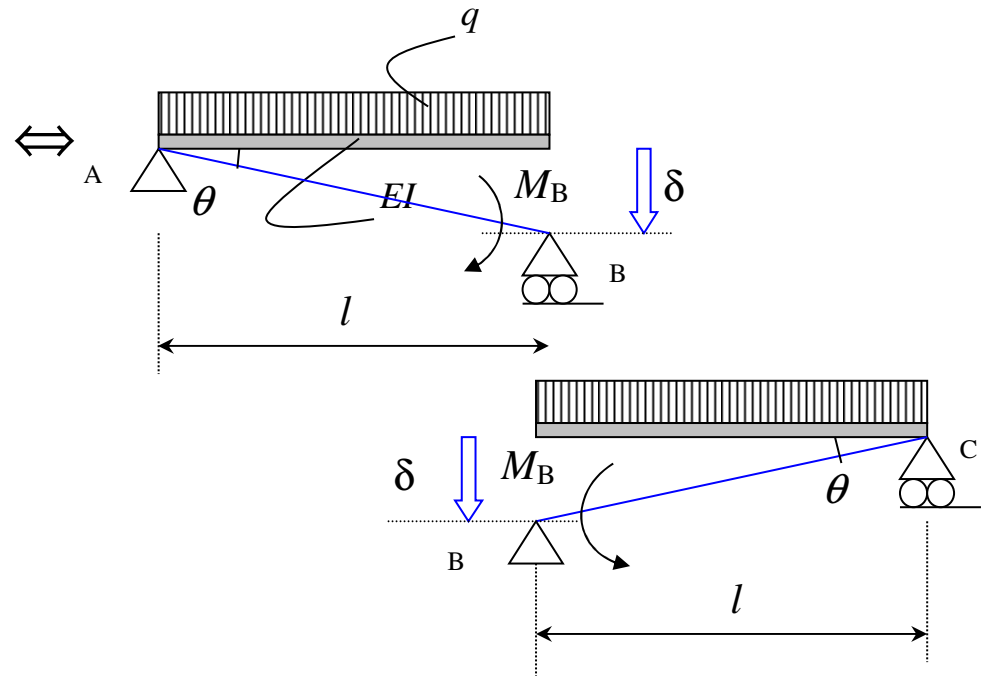
- choose a static determinate principal system
- set up the deformation conditions

ELABORATE THE DEFORMATION CONDITION

$$\frac{ql^3}{24EI} - \frac{M_B l}{3EI} - \theta = -\frac{ql^3}{24EI} + \frac{M_B l}{3EI} + \theta$$

$$2M_B = \frac{1}{4} ql^2 - \frac{6EI}{l} \theta$$

$$M_B = \frac{1}{8} ql^2 - \frac{3EI}{l} \times \frac{\delta}{l} = \frac{1}{8} ql^2 - \frac{3EI}{l^2} \delta$$

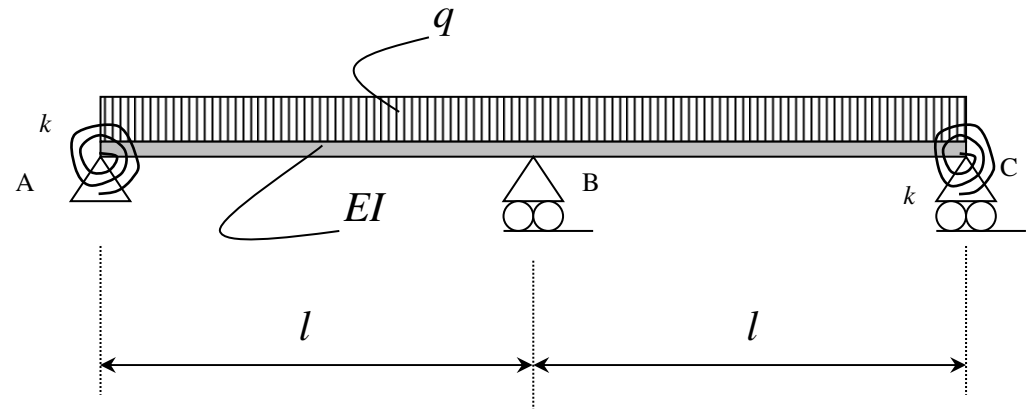


# FLEXIBLE JOINTS

SAME APPROACH

PROBLEM :

MOMENT IN THE SPRING DEPENDS ON THE YET UNKNOWN ROTATION OF THE BEAM END AT THE SUPPORT OR JOINT

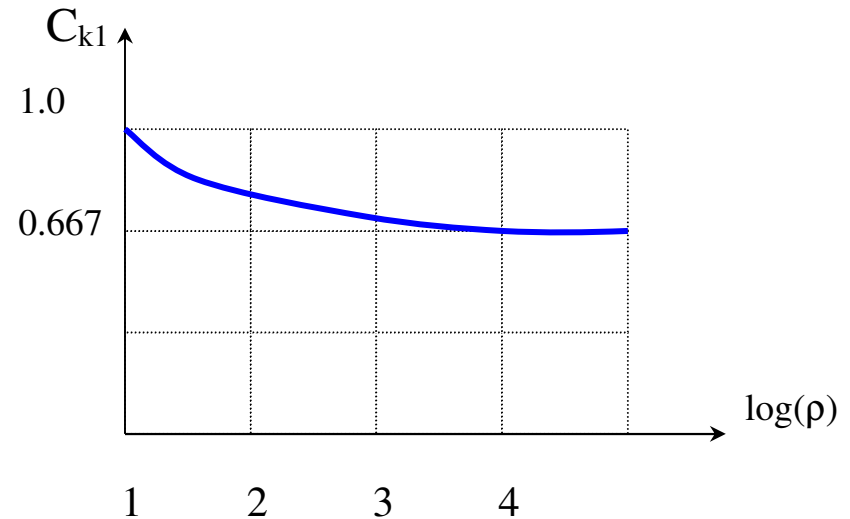


**SOLUTION FOR MOMENT AT B:**

$$M_B = C_{k1} \frac{1}{8} ql^2$$

$$C_{k1} = \frac{1 + \frac{\rho}{6}}{1 + \frac{\rho}{4}}$$

$$\rho = \frac{kl}{EI}$$



## SOLUTION FOR MOMENT AT FLEXIBLE SUPPORT :

$$M_{spring} = C_{k2} \frac{1}{12} ql^2 \quad \text{with:} \quad C_{k2} = \frac{\frac{\rho}{4}}{1 + \frac{\rho}{4}} \quad \text{and} \quad \rho = \frac{kl}{EI}$$

See for the complete derivation of the solution:

**“NOTES ON THE FORCE METHOD”**,  
 A brief note on support settlements moments in flexible joints and the effect of temperature loads on statically indeterminate continuous beams in bending, April 2013, J.W. Welleman.

