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FOREWORD

This educational and methodical complex on structural mechanics is intended for students of construction specialties of higher educational institutions and universities. It corresponds to the curriculum for the training of civil engineers with a specialization in Industrial and Civil Engineering. The content of the material proposed for study is designed for a course of lectures and practical classes of approximately 180 classroom hours, of which approximately 80 hours in the first semester (part 1) and 100 hours in the second semester (part 2).

The first part of the complex is devoted to the presentation of traditional methods for calculating statically determinate and statically indeterminate rod or bar systems. Attention is drawn to the need to perform checks at all stages of the calculations in order to obtain reliable results, the ways of automating the calculations are indicated.

More detailed information related to the analysis features of such rod and bar systems can also be found in the English-language publication on structural mechanics [1].

The course of lectures in the first part of the complex is accompanied by two types of graphic materials: drawing Figures and Illustrations. Each type of graphic materials has its own independent numbering, which contains the number of the topic and the number of the material in order. The Figures show traditional drawings of design schemes of structures and their elements. The Illustrations show photographs of real structures that correspond to the topic under consideration. All illustrations in the complex can be found on the Internet.

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THEME 1.

GENERAL CONVENTIONS AND CONCEPTS OF STRUCTURAL MECHANICS

1.1. Tasks and Methods of Structural Mechanics

Structural mechanics as a science develops the theory of creating engineering structures and methods for calculating their strength, rigidity and stability under a variety of static and dynamic loads and other influences. Strength analysis involves the determination of internal forces in all elements of a structure. Based on the found internal forces, the strength and stability of each element of the structure, as well as the strength and stability of the entire structure as a whole, are checked. The rigidity of the structure is estimated by determining the displacements (linear and angular) of its characteristic points, sections, elements and comparing the found displacements values with the normalized values.

In the training curriculum for civil engineers, structural mechanics immediately follows such a discipline as resistance of materials. The resistance of materials studies the behavior under load of individual elements: bars, beams, columns, plates. The structural mechanics study the response of entire complex structures composed of bars, plates, and solids, as well as connecting and supporting devices (nodes, links, constraints, etc.).

The main tasks of structural mechanics are:

- Study of the laws of structures formation.
- Development of methods for analyzing the internal forces in the elements and parts of structures due to various external influences and loads.
- Development of methods for determining displacements and deformations.
- Study of stability conditions of structures equilibrium in a deformed state.
- Study of the structures interaction with the environment.
- Study of changes in the stress-strain state of structures during their long-term operation.

In practical terms, the so-called direct task of structural mechanics is most fully developed: determination of the stress-strain state of a

structure under given loads and other influences. It is assumed that the design scheme of the structure, the properties of the materials and the dimensions of its elements are also given. This main task of structural mechanics is sometimes called the verification calculation of the structure.

In the calculations of buildings and engineering structures, the hypothesis of continuity of materials, the hypothesis of their homogeneity and isotropy, the hypothesis of direct proportionality between stresses and strains are used. Deformations and displacements of structural elements are assumed to be small, which allows the analysis of most structures using an undeformed design scheme.

To solve the problems, structural mechanics develops and applies theoretical and experimental methods. Theoretical methods use the achievements of theoretical mechanics, higher and computational mathematics, computer science and programming. Experimental methods are based on testing samples, models and real structures.

Though at the initial stage of its development structural mechanics was based mainly on graphical methods for solving its problems, then with the development of computer technology analytical solutions have become more and more applied. Moreover, instead of numerous particular methods and techniques that made it possible to avoid solving systems of joint equations, nowadays in structural mechanics, general universal methods (analytical and numerical) have come to the fore, allowing engineers to analyze complex structures as entire deformable systems. The solution of systems of joint linear algebraic equations with hundreds of thousands of unknowns has ceased to be a stumbling block. Computer technology has allowed not only to solve, but also to compose systems of equations of high orders, and most importantly, to review the obtained results, displaying them on the monitor screen in a graphical form familiar to an engineer.

Structural mechanics is a constantly developing applied science. New mathematical models of the real materials behavior during their deformation are being developed. The loading conditions of structures and the values of loads are being specified. Thermal and other effects are being taken into account. Nonlinear methods for analyzing structures in a deformed state are increasingly being used. Methods of synthesis and design optimization of structures are being developed. The connection of structural mechanics with the design of structures, with the technology of

their manufacture and construction, is becoming increasingly close. It all leads to the creation of more solid, economical, reliable and durable buildings and structures.

1.2. Design Scheme of the Structure. The Concept and Elements

When analyzing structures, engineers usually do not deal with the real structure itself, but with its design scheme. The choice of a design scheme is a very important and responsible process. The design scheme should reflect the actual response of the structure, as close as possible, and, if possible, facilitate both the calculation process itself and the analysis process of the calculation results. In this respect it is essential to have extensive experience in the calculation of structures, to have a good idea of the analyzed structure behavior. It is necessary to know and to be able to predict the impact of the individual elements on the response of the entire construction.

Depending on the geometric dimensions in structural mechanics, the following main structural elements are distinguished: rods or bars, shells, plates, solids, thin-walled bars. Structural elements may also include connecting devices (nodes, links, and other connections) and supporting or limiting devices (supports or constraints).

Spatial structural elements, in which one size (length) significantly exceeds the other two, are called bar elements.

Spatial elements, one size (thickness) of which is much smaller than the other two sizes, are called shells, if they are bounded by two curved surfaces or plates if they are bounded by two planes.

On the design schemes of the structures, the bars are replaced by their axial lines (straight line, curve line or polyline), and the plates and shells are replaced by their median surfaces (plane or curved).

Solid bodies are elements of the structure or the environment in which all three sizes are of the same order (sometimes unlimited), for example: foundations, dams, retaining walls, and soil and rock massifs.

Bars are called thin-walled if they have all main dimensions of different orders: the thickness is significantly less than the cross-sectional dimensions, and the dimensions of the cross-section are much smaller than the length.

Separate elements that form the structure are combined into a united system through nodal connections, or simply nodes. Nodes are also considered as idealized. Usually they are divided into nodes that connect the elements by ideal hinges without friction and the nodes that are absolutely rigid.



Illustration 1.1. Carcass of an industrial building: columns, crane beams, roof trusses, lathing.

An ideal hinged node (or simply a hinge) is considered as a device that allows only mutual rotation of the connected elements relative to each other. At the design schemes, the hinge is indicated by a small circle.

Hinged joint transfers only concentrated force from element to element. This force is usually decomposed into two components. When two rectilinear elements lying on one straight line are articulated by hinge (Figure 1.1, a), the internal force in the joint is decomposed into longitudinal N and transverse Q components. When the elements are articulated at an angle (Figure 1.1, b), the interaction force is decomposed into vertical V and horizontal H components, or otherwise. There is no bending moment in any swivel joint (in any hinge).

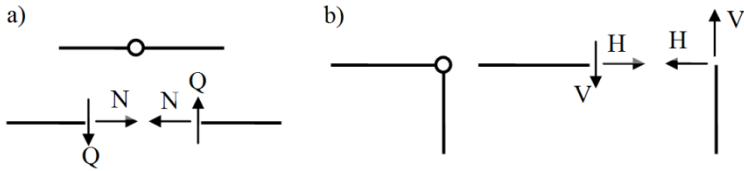


Figure 1.1

An absolutely rigid connection of elements (rigid node) completely eliminates all their mutual displacements. Special designations for rigid nodes are not usually introduced (Figure 1.2, a). Sometimes a rigid node is designated as a small square (Figure 1.2, b). Three internal forces act in a rigid node, for example, the vertical component V , the horizontal component H and the bending moment M (Figure 1.2, c).

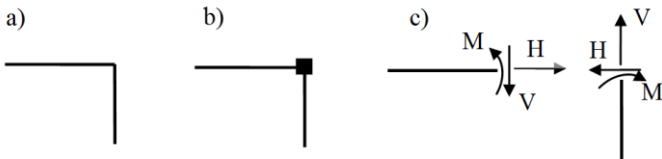


Figure 1.2

Sometimes such division of nodes into perfectly hinged and ideally rigid is not true. Then the nodes are considered as compliant or elastic, allowing mutual displacements of the connected elements (for example, rotation) proportional to the internal forces acting in the node. On design schemes, elastic nodes are being depicted with additional elements: deformable (Figure 1.3, a) and/or absolutely rigid (Figure 1.3, b) and others. Internal forces in elastic nodes depend on the mutual displacement of the connected elements. For example, the value of the bending moment (Figure 1.3, c) in an elastic node (Figure 1.3, a, b) depends on the mutual rotation angle of the connected bars.

A structure is attached to the ground (to the foundation) or to other structures with the help of supports. There are the following main types of design schemes for supports of plane (two-dimensional) structures: hinged movable supports (roller supports), hinged immovable supports (pin supports), absolutely rigid supports (build-in or fixed supports),

movable rigid supports and floating rigid supports. The latter eliminates only rotation.

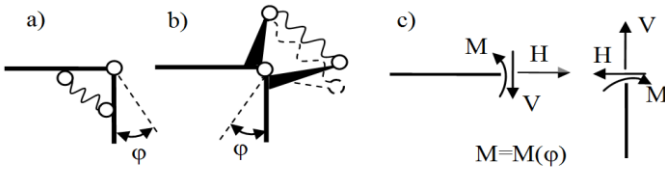


Figure 1.3

The hinged movable support limits only one linear movement in a given direction. Structurally, such a support can be made in the form of a cylindrical roller. The roller is freely moving along the supporting surface (Figure 1.4, a). A single reactive force arises in such support. The action line of the reactive force passes through the points of contact of the roller with the supporting surfaces of the foundation and structure. If the displacements of the real structure are small enough, then the roller can be replaced with a swinging rod (Figure 1.4, b, c). In the design schemes, the hinged movable support is depicted in the form of one rectilinear support rod with hinges at the ends (Figure 1.4, c). In such support, the direction of the reactive force coincides with the direction of the support rod, i.e. with the direction of the prohibited displacement.

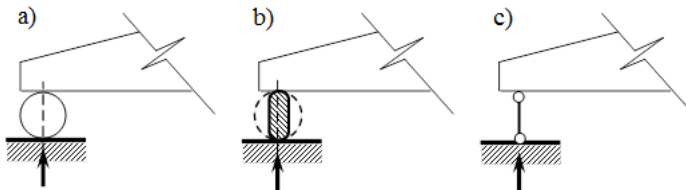


Figure 1.4

If large displacements of the support point are possible in the structure, then the design diagram of the articulated movable support is depicted in the form of a slide-block pivotally connected to the structure and freely sliding on the supporting surface (Figure 1.5, a), or freely rolling on it on rollers (Figure 1.5, b). The structure cannot move in the direction perpendicular to the supporting surface. A single reactive force

normal to the supporting surface acts on the structure from the side of such roller support.

Even if the reaction of a roller support, which is depicted in the form of an inclined support rod, is decomposed into two components (Figure 1.5, c), then only one of them will be unknown. The second is clearly expressed through the first.

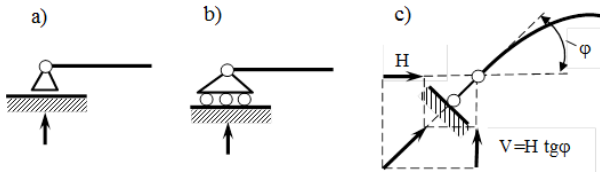


Figure 1.5

An immovable hinged support (Figure 1.6) completely eliminates all linear displacements and allows free rotation only about the axis of the support hinge. In this support, only a reactive force arises, the action line of which passes through the center (axis) of the pinned support. Since the direction of the action line of this reaction is unknown, to define this reaction it is decomposed into two unknown components, usually vertical and horizontal. Therefore, it is possible to assume that the hinged immovable support (Figures 1.6, a, b) is equivalent to two support rods intersecting on the axis of the support hinge (Figures 1.6, c, d).

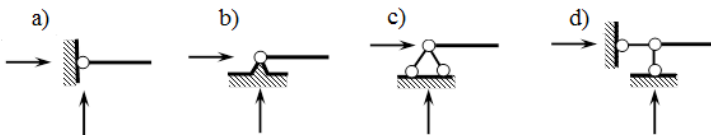


Figure 1.6

An absolutely rigid support (Figure 1.7, a), does not allow either linear or angular movements. Three reactions arise in such fixed support: two reactive forces (two components of the total reactive force of an unknown direction) and a reactive moment. The absolutely rigid support is equivalent to three support rods (Figure 1.7, b).

Rigid movable (non-hinged) supports leave freedom for one linear displacement (Figure 1.7, c, e). Naturally, the reactive force component in

the rigid movable supports in the direction of free linear movement is absent. There a reactive moment remains and a reactive force perpendicular to the free linear displacement remains, i.e., two support reactions. Such rigid movable supports are equivalent to two support rods (Figures 1.7, d, f).

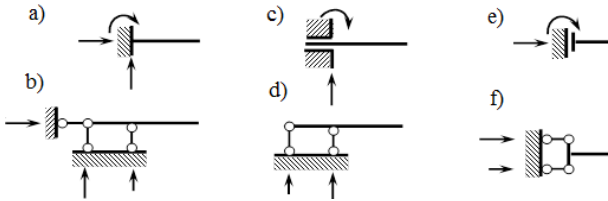


Figure 1.7

Floating rigid supports (Figure 1.8) eliminate only angular displacements. Only one reactive moment arises in a floating support. Floating support can be designated by a special device (Figure 1.8, a), or simply by a square (Figure 1.8, b), specifying its properties.

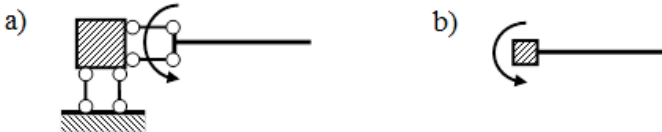


Figure 1.8

Modern methods of structural mechanics, modern computer technology and modern design and computing systems for the analysis of structures allow you to calculate almost any design scheme.

For the same framework, it is possible to choose several design schemes. Preliminary design of cross section parameters of structural elements can be performed on a calculator according to a simplified calculation scheme. The final calculation should be performed in accordance with more complex and accurate design schemes using computers and modern software.

Here is an example of choosing a design scheme for truss structure. Under certain conditions, a system of rods with ideal frictionless hinged joints on each end can be adopted as a design scheme for its analysis

(Figure 1.9). In this case the analysis of internal forces in its elements is easily performed on a calculator with the use of equilibrium equations only.

In fact truss structures can be made of bent-welded rectangular or tube profiles with welded nodes or in monolithic reinforced concrete, then their analysis will require a more accurate design scheme with rigid nodal joints (Figure 1.10).

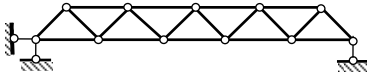


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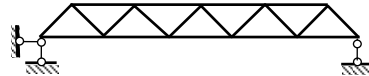


Figure 1.10

Such design scheme is already statically indeterminate many times. Its analysis is possible when taking into account additional deformation equations and is reduced to solving a system of joint linear algebraic equations of a sufficiently high order. It will require the use of computer software.

1.3. Classification of Design Schemes of Structures

Classification of structures can be performed, in terms of their analysis, according to various criteria.

1.3.1. Plane and Spatial Structures.

A structure is called plane, or two-dimensional, if:

- a) the geometric axis of all its elements that make up the structure lie in the same plane,
- b) in all cross sections of each element one of the main axes of inertia lies in the same plane,
- c) the lines of action of all the loads applied to the structure also lie in the same plane.

If at least one of these conditions is not fulfilled, then the structure is spatial.

All real structures are spatial. But in order to simplify their analysis, they are divided into a number of plane systems. Such dismemberment is not always possible. Therefore, some structures have to be considered as

spatial. This book is devoted to the analysis and calculation of predominantly plane systems.

1.3.2. Bars Systems, Thin-walled Spatial Systems and Massifs Systems (Solid Bodies).

Structures which are consisted of rectilinear or curvilinear bars or rods are called bar systems.

Structures composed of shells and plates are called thin-walled and are usually spatial.



Illustration 1.2. Hanging shell of negative Gaussian curvature on an arched support contour

Massifs systems mean structures consisting of solid bodies, for example: foundations, dams, retaining walls, as well as soil and rock massifs themselves. Massive systems can be considered both in three-dimensional and in two-dimensional space.

Traditionally, structural mechanics deals with the study of mainly bar systems. But modern computer software allows you to analyze spatial thin-walled and massifs systems, using almost the same methods as for bar systems.

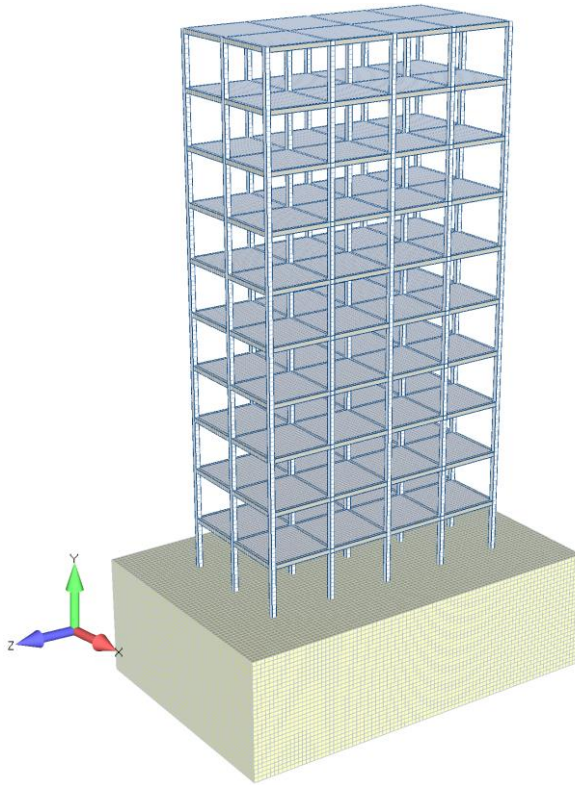


Illustration 1.3. Plate-bar system with rigid nodes, working in conjunction with soil massif

1.3.3. Structures with Hinged or Rigid Nodal Connections of Elements

A bar system composed of rods with ideal frictionless hinge joints only on each end of each rod is called a hinge-rod system or a truss (Figure 1.9). The bar system, in which the elements are connected, basically absolutely rigidly, is called a frame (Figure 1.10, Figure 1.11).

In the same structure, both hinged and rigid joints of elements can be used. Sometimes this method of joining is called combined. As example it is the beam with a polygonal complex tie (Figure 1.12). The simultaneous use of rigid and articulated joints takes place in the design

schemes of many other types of structures, for example: in a three-hinged frame (Figure 1.13), in a two-span two-tier frame with a central pendulum column and with a pivotally supported upper crossbar (Figure 1.14).

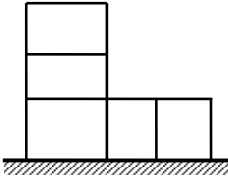


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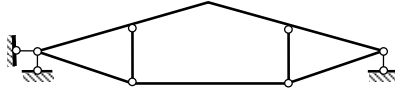


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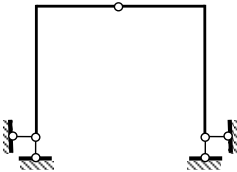


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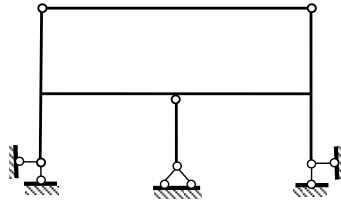


Figure 1.14

1.3.4. Geometrically Changeable and Unchangeable Systems. Instantaneously Changeable and Instantaneously Rigid Systems

If a structural system allows a change in its geometry (shape distortion) due to the mutual displacement of the elements without their deformation or destruction, then the following system is called geometrically changeable (Figure 1.15). If a change in the shape (geometry) of a system is possible only due to deformation or destruction of its elements, then the following system is geometrically unchangeable (Figure 1.16).

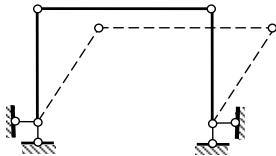


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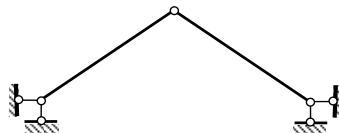


Figure 1.16

The classification of structures by kinematic characteristics is of great importance, since, as a rule, geometrically unchangeable systems can be used as structures. Only some hanging systems of a variable type made of flexible elements or cables are an exception.

With an arbitrary change in the sizes of the elements and/or a change in the mutual arrangement of the nodes of the system, it is possible to obtain its special (singular) shape, the kinematic properties of which will differ from the properties of adjacent forms. For example, a two-rod geometrically unchangeable system (Figure 1.16), when changing the lengths of its elements, can take a special form in which both rods will lie on one straight line (Figure 1.17).

In this special case, the intermediate joint will be free to move vertically. However, the vertical movement of the intermediate joint can only be infinitesimal, since the rods are assumed to be completely non-deformable, i.e. absolutely rigid. All adjacent forms in which the rods do not lie on one straight line will be geometrically unchangeable. Special forms in which the system allows infinitely small movements are called instantaneously changeable. When a system is removed from an instantaneously changeable configuration, it becomes geometrically unchangeable.

Systems whose configurations are instantaneously changeable (Figure 1.17) or close to those (Figure 1.18), as a rule, are not used as structures, since they have heightened deformability.

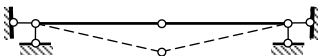


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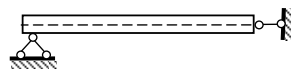


Figure 1.18

On the other hand, in a geometrically changeable system (Figure 1.19), one can choose the lengths of its elements so that, for example, all its nodes are located on one straight line (Figure 1.20). This will be a special form of a geometrically changeable system, which is called instantaneously rigid. In adjacent forms, the considered geometrically changeable system allows large kinematic movements without deformations of its elements (Figure 1.19). The same system in a special form (Figure 1.20) under the condition of absolute inextensibility of the rods allows only infinitesimal displacements.

Thus, both geometrically unchangeable and geometrically changeable systems can have special, singular forms.

Under real conditions, when elements of structures are made of deformable materials, singular forms are characterized by finite displacements of nodes, the values of which are an order of magnitude higher than the elongations of elements. Consequently, instantaneously changeable systems are characterized by heightened deformability compared to geometrically unchanged systems, and instantaneously rigid systems are characterized by heightened stiffness compared to geometrically changeable systems.

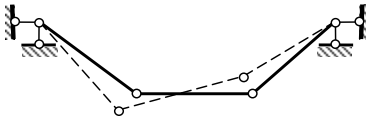


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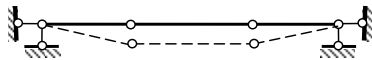


Figure 1.20

Instantaneously rigid systems are widely used in pre-stressed suspension and cable-stayed systems

1.3.5. Thrust and Free Thrust Systems

If in a structure a load of one direction causes support reactions of the same direction, then such a structure is called free of thrust or simply non-thrusting. All other structures can be attributed to thrusting systems. The thrust of a structure is support reactions normal to the load action direction.

A classic example of non-thrusting systems is beams: a simply supported rectilinear beam (Figure 1.21), a simply supported curvilinear beam (Figure 1.22) and other beam-type systems (Figures 1.9, 1.10, 1.12). The double-hinged arch (Figure 1.23) and the three-hinged frame (Figure 1.24), the same as many others, are thrusting systems.

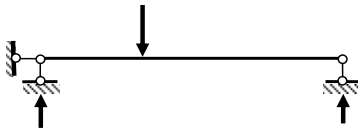


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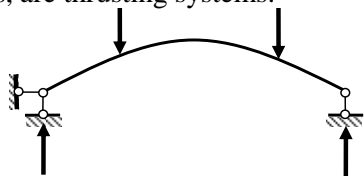


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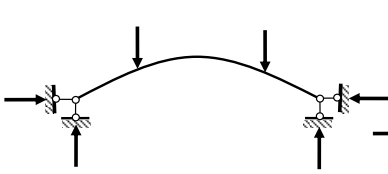


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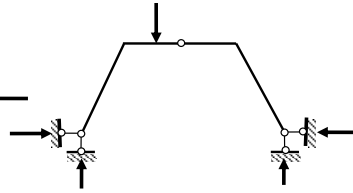


Figure 1.24

Therefore non-thrusting systems are often called as beam systems. And thrusting systems are called as arch systems.

1.3.6. Statically Determinate and Indeterminate Systems

In a statically determinate system, all internal forces can be found using only equilibrium equations (static equations).

If there is a need to use the equations of deformations to determine the support reactions or at least part of the internal forces, then such a system is called statically indeterminate

A statically indeterminate system has an excess of nodal and other connections or links than is necessary for its geometric immutability. A statically indeterminate system can have preliminary stress (initial internal forces, i.e., forces without load due to thermal effects, displacement of supports, inaccurate assembly, etc.). In a statically determinate system, initial internal forces are impossible without external loads.

1.3.7. Linearly and Nonlinearly Deformable Systems

If the relations between the load applied to the structure and the internal forces and displacements caused by it obeys the law of direct proportionality, then such a structure is called linearly deformable, or simply linear. In a linearly deformable system, deformations and displacements are supposed to be small. Their influence on the distribution of internal forces is neglected. The geometry of the deformed structure is assumed to coincide with the geometry of the original undeformed structure. The equilibrium equations are relative to the original, undeformed design scheme. The stress-strain state of a linear

system is described by linear differential or linear algebraic equations.



Illustration 1.4. Space system in the form of statically indeterminate arches with a beam over structure



Illustration 1.5. Non-thrusting multi-span statically indeterminate beam with variable cross section

However, if the deformations and displacements caused by external influences in a structure are significant, then the relations between the loads, the internal forces and displacements become non-linear. Such a structure is called nonlinearly deformable, or non-linear.

Non-linearity due to a change in the geometry of the design scheme of the structure is called geometric non-linearity. The calculation of large-span and high-rise structures is usually carried out taking into account geometric nonlinearity. All geometrically changeable, instantaneously changeable and instantaneously rigid systems (suspension coverings and roofs, suspension bridges, cable and cable-stayed networks and systems) are geometrically non-linear.

The nonlinearity associated with the deviation of the law of deformation of the building material from the law of direct proportionality, Hooke's law, is called physical nonlinearity.

1.4. Plane Bar System Degree of Freedom

The degree of freedom of a body or system of bodies is the number of independent geometric parameters that determine the position of a body or system of bodies when they move on a plane or in space.

The position on the plane of a movable (free) material point of infinitesimal dimensions (hinge node) is characterized by its two coordinates relative to an arbitrary fixed reference system located in the same plane (Figure 1.25). Consequently, the point (hinge node) has two degrees of freedom on the plane.

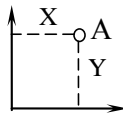


Figure 1.25

A separate body (bar) or a knowingly geometrically unchangeable system of bodies (bars system) or its part, which can move on a plane as a whole, without changing its geometric shape, is called a disk.

The position of the moving (free) plane body (disk) on the plane is characterized by three independent parameters, for example: the abscissa x and the ordinate y of a point A and the angle of some straight line AB belongs to the disk (Figure 1.26). Thus, when moving on a plane the disk



Illustration 1.6. Minsk-Arena. Bottom view of the coating

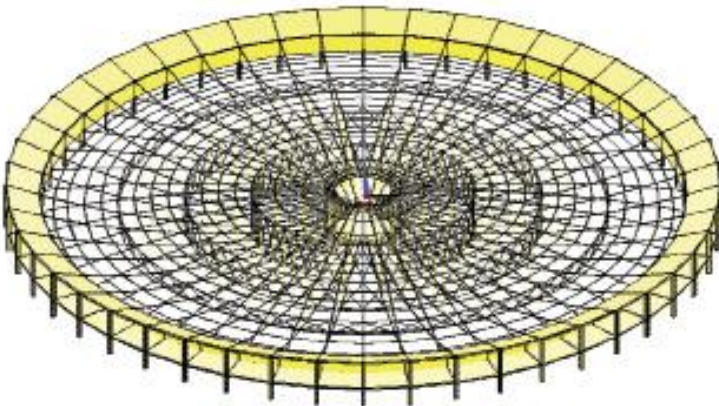


Illustration 1.7. Minsk-Arena. Design diagram of nonlinearly deformable radial cable trusses and support rings

has three degrees of freedom. A rigid node on a plane, even of sufficiently small dimensions, in contrast to the articulated node, should be considered as a disk. Therefore, a rigid node on a plane has three degrees of freedom.

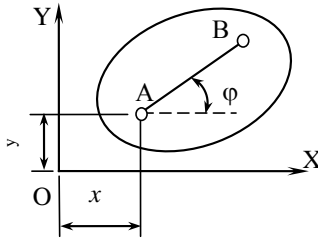


Figure 1.26

In space, a free solid is considered as a spatial block and has six degrees of freedom: three coordinates of any of its points and three angles of rotation of any of its lines with respect to the axes of the fixed spatial coordinate system.

In this section only plane systems are considered.

1.4.1. Classification of Plane Systems Connections

Any device that reduces the degree of freedom of a body or system of bodies by one is called a simple connection or a simple link or a single constraint. If the device constrains several degrees of freedom, then it is considered as a complex (multiple) connection, equivalent to several simple ones.

Each connection has both kinematic and static characteristics.

The kinematic characteristic determines the types of motion of one disk relative to another, which are constrained by the connection, the number of degrees of freedom that this connection eliminates. The static characteristic determines the number and types of reactions that occur in the corresponding connection.

Thus, any structure can be considered as a system of disks connected by links, both among themselves and with a supporting surface (ground). The earth (supporting surface) can also be considered as a disk. Most often, an immovable coordinate system is associated with the ground, and

the degree of freedom of the system under study is determined relative to the earth.

In kinematic analysis, disks and connections are assumed to be non-deformable, absolutely rigid.

Let's consider the design schemes of connections used in structural mechanics.

A movable hinged support is equivalent to one simple link. A disk, which is attached to the ground (supporting surface) with a movable hinged support, loses one degree of freedom. A system of a disk and a support rod has two degrees of freedom (Figure 1.27).

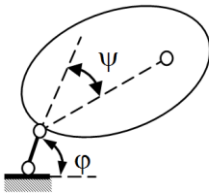


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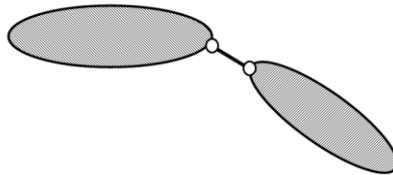


Figure 1.28

A single hinge (indicated by a circle on the design diagrams) is equivalent to two simple links. Connecting two disks, one hinge reduces their total degree of freedom, equal to six, to four. The position of two disks connected by the hinge is characterized by two coordinates x and y of point A and two angles φ and ψ fixing the position of lines AB and BC (Figure 1.29, a). The earth (supporting surface) can be considered as an immovable disk. A movable disk, when it is attached by a hinge to the ground (to a fixed supporting surface), loses two degrees of freedom. The position of this disk is characterized by only one angle of rotation relative to the axis of the hinge (Figure 1.29, b). Such a device can be considered as an immovable hinged support, equivalent to two simple support rods (Figure 1.29, c). An immovable hinged support eliminates two degrees of freedom.

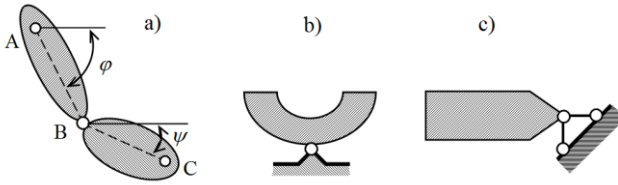


Figure 1.29

A system of three disks connected by two hinges (Figure 1.30, a) has five degrees of freedom. Two hinges eliminated four degrees of freedom. In this system, the intermediate disk can also be considered as a simple connection (compare with the system in Figure 1.28).

In kinematic analysis, any rod (bar) can be considered as a disk, and any disk can be replaced by a bar.

Often two hinges connecting three disks come together and merge, as if into one hinge on a common axis (Figure 1.30, b). Such a complex hinge is equivalent to two simple hinges, or four simple links.

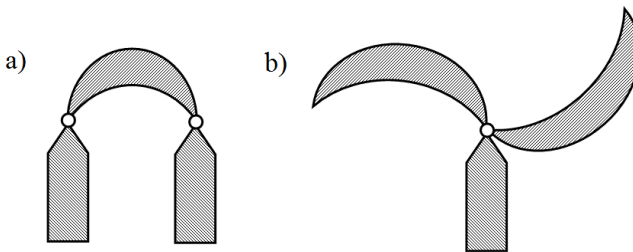


Figure 1.30

In the general case, the multiplicity of the following complex hinge is one point less than the number of disks (rods) connected on one axis. In other words, the relation is true:

$$H = D - 1,$$

where H is the multiplicity of the complex hinge, D is the number of disks connected by the complex hinge on one axis.

Examples of simple hinges are shown in Figure 1.31, a. Figure 1.31, b shows multiple hinges.

If two disks (rods) are monolithically (or by welding) combined into one disk, then such a joint is called a rigid connection, or a rigid node.

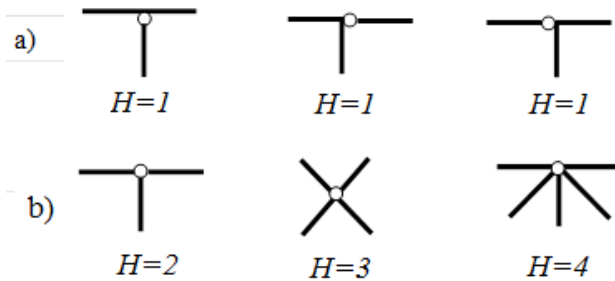


Figure 1.31

Rigid nodes can also be simple (Figure 1.32, a), or multiple (Figure 1.32, b). The multiplicity of rigid nodes is determined by the formula:

$$R = D - 1,$$

where R is the number (multiplicity) of simple rigid nodes, D is the number of disks that are monolithically connected in one node. A simple rigid connection eliminates three degrees of freedom. It is equivalent to three simple links.

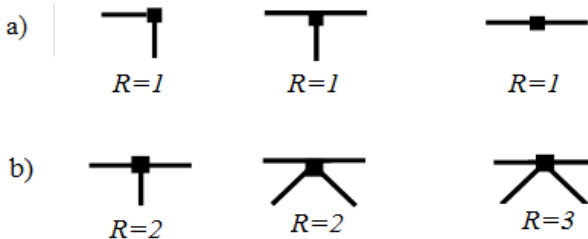


Figure 1.32

A rigid (build-in) support that eliminates the ability of the disk (bar) to move relative to the supporting surface, like a rigid node, is also equivalent to three simple links (Figure 1.7, a, b).

If necessary, rigid nodes allow breaking one disk (bar) into an arbitrary number of component bars (disks) (Figure 1.33).



Figure 1.33

If a system of disks connected by links can change the geometric shape given to it or move relative to the supporting surface, then it is a mechanism, that is, it is geometrically variable, and cannot (with rare exceptions) act as a structure.

The goal of kinematic analysis is precisely to find out:

- whether structural systems are capable of perceiving the load transferred to them without a significant change in their geometric shape,
- what should be the ratio between the number of disks and the number of constraints (links) imposed,
- what is the complexity of the calculation to determine the reactions, internal forces and displacements in the structure.

1.4.2 Degree of Freedom (Degree of Variability) of Plane Systems. Formulas for Calculating

Based on the concepts introduced above, it is easy to determine the degree of freedom W of any planar system composed of D disks connected to each other and the supporting surface by R simple rigid nodes, H simple hinges, and L_o simple support links.

If the system consists only of free, unconnected disks, then its degree of freedom will be equal to $3D$. Each simple rigid joint introduced eliminates three degrees of freedom, each simple hinge - two, and each simple support link - one degree of freedom. Therefore, the total degree of freedom of the system is equal to the difference:

$$W = 3D - 3R - 2H - L_o. \quad (1.1)$$

For the correct application of the obtained formula, it should be remembered that R , H and L_o mean the total number of, respectively, simple (single) rigid nodes, simple (single) hinged nodes and simple

support links. In this case, it is necessary to ensure that each disk and each connection (each device) are counted only once. In other words, if, for example, the hinge connection of one of the disks to the ground is taken into account as a simple hinge, then this support device can no longer be included in the number of simple support links as a hinged immovable support equivalent to two support links.

The degree of freedom of a plane system, separated from supports (not having support connections), i.e., in the mounting or transport state, consists of the degree of freedom of it as a rigid whole, equal to three (on the plane) and the degree of variability of V of its elements relative to each other (internal mutability). Thus, we can write

$$W = 3 + V,$$

where from

$$V = W - 3.$$

Substituting the expression W in the last formula, provided that there are no support rods in the system, we obtain the final formula for calculating the degree of variability of the bars system disconnected from the supports

$$V = 3D - 3R - 2H - 3. \quad (1.2)$$

If the degree of freedom (or degree of variability) of the system is positive (greater than zero)

$$W > 0 \quad (\text{or } V > 0),$$

then the system is geometrically changeable. In its structure, to ensure geometric immutability, W (or V) links are missing.

For example, a suspension system (Figure 1.34) is composed of four rods connected by three hinges and is supported by two hinged immovable supports (in total 4 support rods). Its degree of freedom is equal to

$$W = 3D - 2H - L_0 = 3 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot 3 - 4 = 2.$$

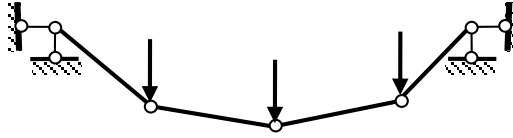


Figure 1.34

Therefore, it is geometrically changeable. Its structure lacks two links to ensure geometric immutability.

If the degree of freedom (or degree of variability) of the system is negative (less than zero) $W < 0$ (or $V < 0$), then the system contains an excessive number of links from the point of view of geometric immutability.

A two-span two-tier frame (Figure 1.35, a) consists of eight disk (bars). The bars are connected by two simple hinges, three double rigid nodes (six single, simple) and are supported by three absolutely rigid supports. Its degree of freedom is equal to

$$W = 3D - 3R - 2H - L_0 = 3 \cdot 8 - 3 \cdot 6 - 2 \cdot 2 - 9 = -7.$$

In terms of geometric immutability, this frame contains seven extra links.

The same frame can be considered as composed of only two disks connected by two hinges (Figure 1.35, b). One of the disks has three rigid supports (9 simple support rods). Consequently, we get the same result:

$$W = 3D - 3R - 2H - L_0 = 3 \cdot 2 - 3 \cdot 0 - 2 \cdot 2 - 9 = -7$$

The negative degree of freedom of the system equal to the number of redundant connections determines the degree of static indeterminacy of the system. Therefore, the degree of static indeterminacy of the system can be calculated by the formula:

$$\Lambda = -W = 3R + 2H + L_0 - 3D, \quad (1.3)$$

where Λ is the number of extra links (redundant links).

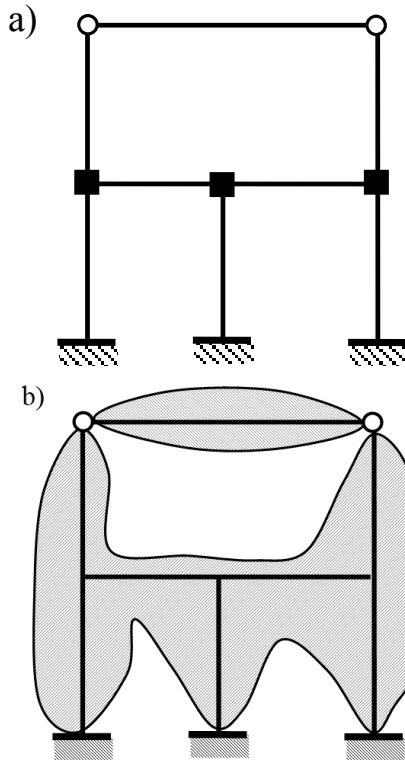


Figure 1.35

If the degree of freedom of the system is zero

$$W = 0,$$

then the system has the number of connections necessary for geometric immutability and immobility and can be statically determinate.

Such a system is shown in figure 1.36. It consists of 9 disks (bars). It has no rigid nodes. The disks are connected by 12 simple hinges (the multiplicity of hinged nodes is shown in the figure). Three supporting rods link it to the supporting surface. Its degree of freedom is equal to

$$W = 3D - 3R - 2H - L_0 = 3 \cdot 9 - 0 - 2 \cdot 12 - 3 = 0.$$

The same result can be obtained in a different way, assuming that the system is composed of 11 bars. It is assumed that both half-beams are formed by each of two bars soldered rigidly in quarters of a span. Consequently, two additional rigid nodes appear. The number of hinges and supporting rods has not changed. There are other options for calculating the degree of freedom of a given system.

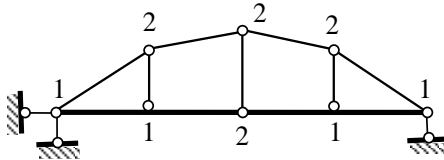


Figure 1.36

If the degree of variability of the system is zero

$$V = 0,$$

then the system has the number of bonds necessary for internal geometric immutability and can be internally statically determinate. For example, the degree of variability of a single-slope truss without supports (Figure 1.37) is zero:

$$V = 3D - 3R - 2H - 3 = 3 \cdot 13 - 0 - 2 \cdot 18 - 3 = 0.$$

The system contains the necessary number of links that are internally geometrically unchanged and statically determinate. But externally, relative to the earth, the system is mobile; it lacks at least three support connections to give it immobility. A greater number of superimposed support connections will turn it into an externally statically indeterminate system.

The calculation of the degree of freedom or the degree of variability for plane truss can also be performed using a more convenient formula.

In the truss, the hinged nodes can be considered as material points having two degrees of freedom on the plane. The truss rods, as well as the support rods, can be considered as simple links.

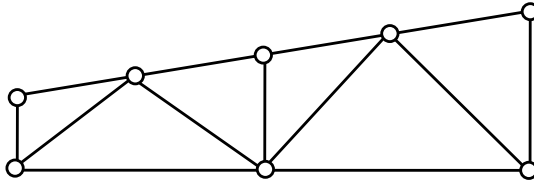


Figure 1.37

If the nodes of the truss were not connected by rods, then the system of N free nodes would have $2N$ degrees of freedom. The truss rods connecting the nodes and the support rods, each as a simple link, eliminate one degree of freedom. Therefore, the degree of freedom of the plane truss can be calculated by the formula

$$W = 2N - B - L, \quad (1.4)$$

where N – the number of truss nodes as material points,

B – the number of rods of the truss,

L – the number of support rods (simple links).

Accordingly, the degree of variability of the truss disconnected from the supports will be equal to

$$V = 2N - B - 3. \quad (1.5)$$

So for a farm without supports (Figure 1.37) we have

$$V = 2 \cdot 8 - 13 - 3 = 0.$$

Thus, the use of the above formulas to calculate the degree of freedom or the degree of variability of plane bars systems provides the necessary analytical criteria for geometric immutability or variability, static definability or indeterminacy.

Unfortunately, these analytical criteria are necessary, but not sufficient.

1.5. Geometrically Unchangeable Systems. Principles of the Formation

The above formulas for calculating the degree of freedom (degree of variability) of bars systems provide only a formal assessment of the kinematic properties of the systems under study, which is not always true. For the final conclusion about the geometric immutability and static definability of the bar system, an analysis of its structure, an analysis of the principles by which it is assembled is necessary. Only systems of the correct structure will be truly geometrically unchangeable.

For example, a system being partially statically indeterminate and partially geometrically variable (Figure 1.38) refers to systems of irregular structure, although its total degree of freedom is zero. The system shown in Figure 1.39 also has a zero degree of freedom, but in fact it is instantaneously changeable, since it has infinitely small mobility. Its structure is also irregular. An instantaneously rigid system (Figure 1.40) formally has one degree of freedom, but in fact it has two degrees of freedom. In addition, it can have initial efforts (for example, from cooling its elements), as once a statically indeterminate system.

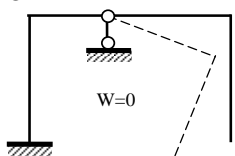


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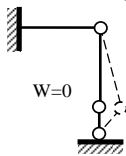


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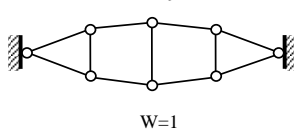


Figure 1.40

For systems of irregular structure, the concepts of the degree of freedom or the degree of variability, calculated by the formulas derived above, become indefinite, meaningless.

Let us consider the main methods for the formation of obviously geometrically unchangeable bar systems.

1. The dyad method. The degree of freedom of the system (disk) will not be changed if you attach (disconnect) the hinge node using two hinged rods not lying on one straight line (Figure 1.41). Disks and any other subsystems that are known to be statically definable and geometrically unchangeable (Figure 1.42) can act as such rods.

2. The triangles method. Three disks 1, 2 and 3 connected by three hinges A, B and C, not lying on one straight line (Figure 1.43), form a new internally

geometrically unchangeable system (disk). The total number of extra links, if they are in the source disks, is not changed. The total degree of freedom of the three discs is reduced by six units.

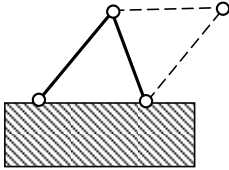


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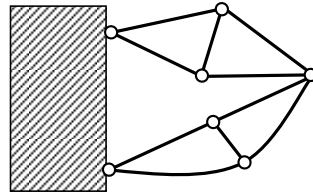


Figure 1.42

3. The method of hinge and simple link, equivalent to the method of triangles. Two disks 1 and 2, connected by a common hinge C and one rod AB, provided that the straight line AB (or its extension) does not pass through the hinge C, form a new single disk (Figure 1.44). At the same time, the total number of extra links in the source disks does not change, and their total degree of freedom is reduced by three units.

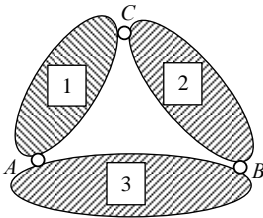


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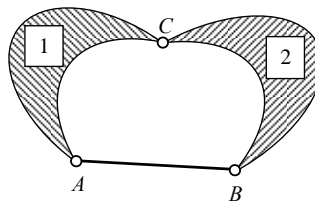


Figure 1.44

4. The three links method. Two disks are connected by three hinged rods (Figure 1.45), lying on straight lines that are not intersected at one point and are not parallel to all three at once, form a united system (new disk). In the new system, the total number of excess links, if they were in the original disks, does not change, and the total degree of freedom is reduced by three units.

Generally speaking, the considered methods of forming a single system of several components are applicable to any system with

redundant links (statically indeterminate disks), and to systems with missing links (mechanisms).

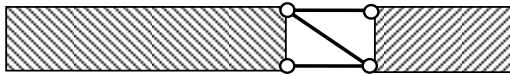


Figure 1.45

In order for a united system to be formed according to the considered laws to be geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate, it is necessary and sufficient for its components, each separately, to be geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate. Moreover, each disk can be considered as a rod and each rod can be considered as a disk. Then the considered methods of formation of obviously geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate systems can be reduced to two main methods.

1. The triangles method: three disks (rods) connected by three hinges that do not lie on one straight line form a deliberately geometrically unchangeable (internally) and statically determinate system (new disk) (Figures 1.43, 1.44).

2. The three connections method: two disks connected by three hinged rods whose axes do not intersect at one point (three parallel rods can be considered intersecting at infinity), form a new disk (Figure 1.45).

Certainly, the considered methods of formation, assembling (or dismantling, disassembling) of obviously geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate systems can be applied not only individually, but also in their arbitrary combination, sometimes replacing each other.

So, a three-hinged arch with a tie-bar (Figure 1.46) can be considered as formed:

- By the dyad method. Firstly the support hinge A is unmovably attached to the ground using the two hinged support rods. Secondly the support hinge B is fixed by the third support rod and the bar AB. Finally, the hinge C is made immovable by means of two half-arches.

- By the triangle method. The support rods of the support A, together with the ground, form the first triangle and the first single disk. The resulting disk, the beam AB and the support rod of the support B form a new single disk. Finally, the disc AB and the semi-arches AC and BC form the resulting triangle disc ABC.

- The combination of the three connections method and the method of dyads (or triangles). Beam AB is connected to the ground by three simple links (support rods). The hinged node C is attached to the resulting system by the dyad method (or a triangle ABC is formed).

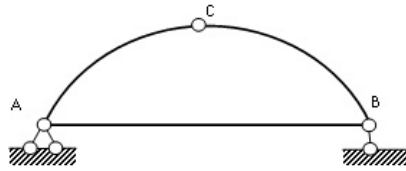


Figure 1.46

Kinematic analysis of already created system can be carried out in the reverse order, i.e., by dismantling. If, as a result of discarding nodes and bars (disks) connected according to the rules considered above, there remains a known geometrically unchangeable and statically determinable subsystem, or only one supporting surface, then the original system is geometrically unchangeable and statically determinable.

Using the analysis of the structure (analysis of the order of formation) of the system, it is easy to establish in which part of the system there are redundant links and in which part of the system they are lacking. Thus, systems of irregular structure and systems with degenerate configurations can be revealed.

Any system in a degenerate configuration, instantly changeable or instantly rigid, can be considered both statically indefinable and geometrically changeable. The structure of such systems lacks connections in one direction and at the same time there are redundant connections in other directions.

It is the presence of superfluous links that gives the degenerate system the properties of a statically indeterminate system, namely: the ability to have initial internal forces in the absence of load. And this property leads to a static criterion for instantaneous variability or instantaneous rigidity.

1. If in a system with a zero degree of freedom ($W = 0$), i.e. in a system formally geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate, there may be initial internal forces (forces due to prestressing), then such a system is instantaneously changeable or partially statically indeterminate, and partially

geometrically changeable. In the latter case, it is necessary to conduct a kinematic analysis of the system by fragments.

2. If in a system with a positive degree of freedom ($W > 0$), i.e. in a system formally geometrically changeable, there may be initial internal forces (prestressing forces), then such a system is instantaneously rigid or has statically indeterminate fragments in its composition.

The connections in such systems, from the point of view of geometric changeability and mobility, are not arranged correctly.

For example, in an instantaneously changeable system (Figure 1.47), the node C is fastened from horizontal displacement by the bar AC. The bar BC also eliminates the horizontal displacement of the node C and is redundant. At the same time, there is no any link in the system that would eliminate the vertical displacement of the node C. However, such an offset can only be infinitesimal: as soon as the node C moves off the line AB, the dyad bars AC and BC will no longer lie on one straight line and further displacement of the C node will become impossible without deformation of the AC and BC bars. From a static point of view, in this system initial forces without load are possible, for example, due to cooling or displacements of supports.

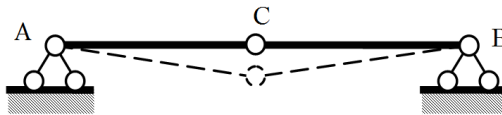


Figure 1.47

In the cable truss (Figure 1.40) in the middle panels, from the point of view of its formation by the method of triangles, two diagonal bars are clearly absent. Therefore, this truss must have two degrees of freedom. At the same time, it has four support bars, one of which (horizontal) is superfluous. Total degree of freedom $W = 1$. But precisely because of the presence of this extra connection (one of the horizontal support bars) in a given geometrically changeable system, only infinitely small displacements are possible. From a static point of view, this system at $W=1>0$ also allows preliminary tension. This means that this system is instantaneously rigid.

A disk connected to the support surface by three support rods formally should have a zero degree of freedom. But if the three support rods converge in one support hinge (Figure 1.48), the system will remain geometrically

changeable (there is freedom of rotation about the axis of the support hinge), while the hinged immovable support has an extra (for a plane case) support rod.

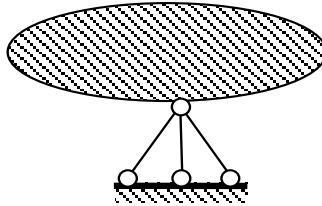


Figure 1.48

The hinge-rod disc DFB (Figure 1.49), formed by the method of triangles, is connected to the fixed points A and C by the L-shaped rods AD and CF and is supported by hinged movable support B with the vertical support rod, i.e. it is connected to the supporting surface by three rods-discs ($W = 0$). But the lines on which the ends of these three rods-discs lie intersect at one point O, which is the center of instant rotation. Initial efforts are possible in the system due to jacking up of the central support. Therefore, this system is instantaneously changeable.

Examples of some other systems of irregular structure are shown in Figure 1.50 (the system is geometrically variable, though $W = -2$) and in Figure 1.51 (a system with a statically indeterminate fragment is instantaneously changeable at $W = -3$).

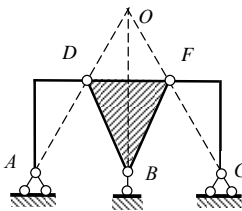


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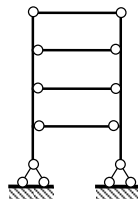


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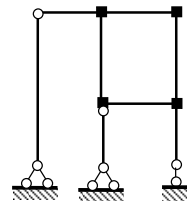


Figure 1.51

1.6. Matrices in Problems of Structural Mechanics

When carrying out calculations based on computer technology, discrete schemes of structures and matrix calculus methods are used in structural mechanics. The loads acting on the structure are represented in the form of a load vector (matrix-column), the components of which are the values of the specified loads, numbered in a certain order. The calculation results will be presented not in the form of diagrams of internal forces or displacements, but in the form of force vectors and displacement vectors, in which the values of internal forces in specific sections and the values of displacements of specific points in given specific directions will be listed.

So the loads applied to a simple beam (Figure 1.52) can be represented by a third-order vector

$$\vec{F}_1 = [q_1 \quad F_2 \quad M_3]^T,$$

and the loads applied to the beam truss (Figure 1.53), by a fifth-order vector

$$\vec{F}_1 = [F_1 \quad F_2 \quad \dots \quad F_5]^T.$$

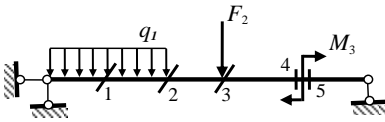


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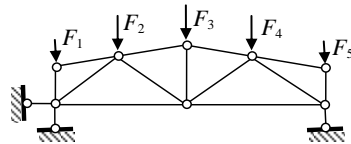


Figure 1.53

To find bending moments in five characteristic sections of the beam (Figure 1.52) and internal forces in thirteen rods of the truss (Figure 1.53) from the given loads, it is enough to construct, respectively, the influence matrix of bending moments L_M for the beam and the influence matrix of longitudinal forces L_N for the truss, the rods of which must be numbered beforehand. Then use the matrix formulas

$$\vec{M} = L_M F_1, \quad \vec{N} = L_N F_2,$$

where

$$\vec{M} = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 \\ M_2 \\ \dots \\ M_5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad L_M = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & m_{23} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ m_{51} & m_{52} & m_{53} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\vec{N} = \begin{bmatrix} N_1 \\ N_2 \\ \dots \\ N_{13} \end{bmatrix}, \quad L_N = \begin{bmatrix} n_{11} & n_{12} & \dots & n_{15} \\ n_{21} & n_{22} & \dots & n_{25} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ n_{13,1} & n_{13,2} & \dots & n_{13,5} \end{bmatrix}.$$

The element m_{ik} of the influence matrix of bending moments is a bending moment in a characteristic beam section number i , caused by a unit load number k . The element n_{ik} of the influence matrix of the longitudinal forces is the force in the rod number i of the truss from a unit value of the external force $F_k = 1$.

Using a suitably constructed an influence matrix of displacements D , we can find the vector $\vec{\Delta}$ of displacements of given points in given directions due to external forces given by the vector \vec{F} :

$$\vec{\Delta} = D\vec{F},$$

where

$$\vec{\Delta} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_{1F} \\ \dots \\ \Delta_{nF} \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{11} & \dots & \delta_{1k} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \delta_{n1} & \dots & \delta_{nk} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ \dots \\ F_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

The symbol Δ_{nF} denotes the displacement of a point (section) number n in the direction of the force $F_n = 1$ applied at this point, caused by a given load. The element δ_{nk} of the influence matrix of displacements D is equal to the displacement of a point (section) number n in the direction of the force $F_n = 1$ caused by the force $F_k = 1$, and is called the unit displacement.

Thus, the use of influence matrices is based on the principle of independence of the action of forces, the principle of superposition. According to this principle, the total effect of several forces is equal to the sum of the effects of each force individually. At the first stage, the calculation is reduced to the calculation of internal forces and displacements from a single external forces and the construction of influence matrices. At the second stage, using the matrix formulas forces and displacements from any combination of loads are calculated with the help of computer.

The displacement influence matrix D is also called the flexibility (compliance) matrix. The flexibility matrix allows you to express displacements through external forces. The square flexibility matrix can be inverted and a new matrix R , which is called the stiffness matrix, can be obtained:

$$R = D^{-1}.$$

The stiffness matrix allows you to express external forces through the displacements of points to which these forces are applied

$$\vec{F} = R\vec{\Delta}.$$

Without going into detail we note that the flexibility and stiffness matrices are widely used in the analyses of statically indeterminate systems, as well as in the dynamics and stability of structures. On the basis of matrix calculus, modern design and computing complexes have been created for analyzing structures using computers.

THEME 2.
STATICALLY DETERMINATE SYSTEMS.
MAIN CHARACTERISTICS.
ANALYSIS METHODS UNDER FIXED LOADS

2.1. Concept of Statically Determinate Systems.
Main Characteristics

One of the main tasks of structural mechanics is to determine the internal forces in the elements of a structure. The methods for their determination depend on those assumptions that are accepted for calculation. The division of systems into statically determinate and statically indeterminate depends on these assumptions. According to some assumptions, the same design scheme is considered to be statically determinate, while the others describe it as statically indeterminate.

With a strict formulation of the calculation problem, it is necessary to define the internal forces taking into account the deformable state of the structure. In this case, as a rule, all systems are statically indeterminate.

In a real linearly deformable system, deformations and displacements are small. Their influence on the distribution of internal forces is neglected. The calculation is carried out according to the so-called undeformed design scheme. It is assumed that the geometry of the deformed structure coincides with the geometry of the original undeformed structure.

Statically determinate systems are those systems in which all internal forces can be determined **only from equilibrium equations**.

The main properties of statically determinate systems are the following:

1. A statically determinate system has no redundant constraints (links), i.e. $W = 0$. When at least one link is removed; the statically determinate system becomes a geometrically changeable system.

2. Internal forces in statically determinate systems are independent of the elastic properties of the material and the dimensions of the cross sections of the elements.

3. Changes of temperature, settlements of supports, slight deviations in the lengths of the elements do not lead to of additional forces to occur in a statically determinate system.

4. A given load in a statically determinate system corresponds to one single possible picture of the distribution of internal forces.

5. The self-balanced load applied to the local part of the system causes an appearance of internal forces in the elements of that part only. In the remaining elements of the system, the internal forces will be zero (Figure 2.1).

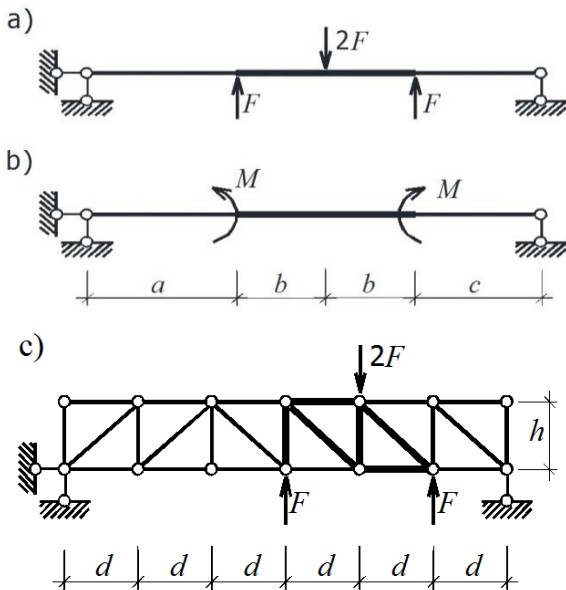


Figure 2.1

2.2. Sections Method

A bending moment (M), longitudinal (N) and transverse (Q) forces, which are internal forces in a cross section of an element of a plane system,

can be integrally expressed through normal (σ) and tangential (τ) stresses (Figure 2.2).

The sign of the bending moment M depends on the sign of curvature of the bended bar and the selected direction of the axes of the external fixed coordinate system (Figure 2.3). If the axis is directed in the opposite direction, then the curvature sign, and hence the moment sign, will be reversed.

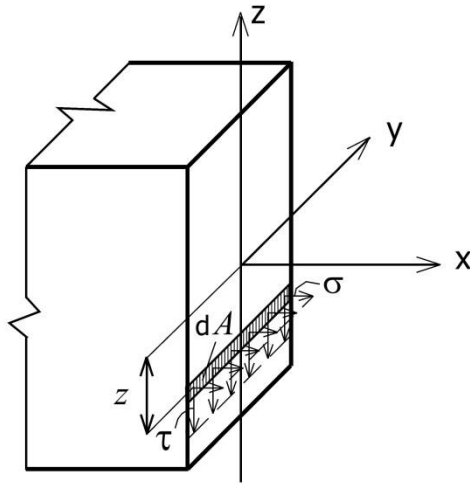


Figure 2.2

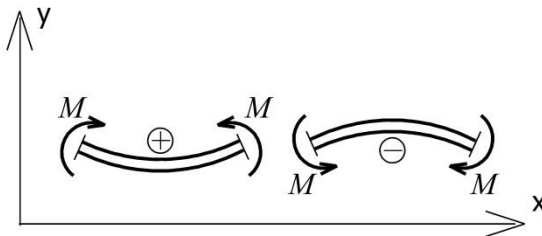


Figure 2.3

When constructing bending moment diagrams, the positive ordinate of the moment is drawn in the direction of convexity of the bended axis, i.e. the diagram of moments is plotted on the stretched fibers of the element.

The transverse force is considered positive if it tends to rotate the cut off part of the bar clockwise (Figure 2.4, a). The bar parts separated by the cross section are spaced apart in Figure 2.4.

Longitudinal force is considered positive if it causes stretching of the bar (Figure 2.4, b).

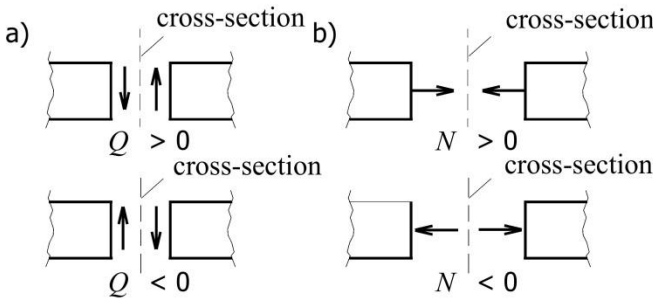


Figure 2.4

To determine the internal forces M , Q and N , equilibrium equations are used, which can be written in one of three forms:

1. The sum of the projections of all the forces on each of the two coordinate axes and the sum of their moments relative to any point C_1 lying in the plane of the forces must be equal to zero:

$$\sum X = 0, \sum Y = 0, \sum M_{C_1} = 0.$$

2. The sums of the moments of all forces relative to any two centers C_1 , C_2 and the sum of the forces projections onto any axis X not perpendicular to the line $C_1 C_2$ should be equal to zero:

$$\sum X = 0, \sum M_{C_1} = 0, \sum M_{C_2} = 0.$$

3. The sums of the moments of all forces relative to any three centers C_1 , C_2 and C_3 , not lying on one straight line, should be equal to zero:

$$\sum M_{C_1} = 0, \sum M_{C_2} = 0, \sum M_{C_3} = 0.$$

The ways of using these equations to determine the internal forces depend on a given system structure.

When using the way of simple sections, at first, the studied system is divided into two independent parts by the section in which the internal forces must be determined, and then the action of one part by the other is replaced by the desired internal forces. To determine them, the equilibrium equations are compiled (in any of the forms listed above). Then these equations are solved, provided, that the support reactions of the studied system are calculated in advance. For example, determining the efforts in the frame cross-section k (Figure 2.5, a), we can consider the equilibrium of the right-hand part of the frame (Figure 2.5, b) and make equations:

$$\sum X^{(right)} = F_3 - N_k = 0;$$

$$\sum Y^{(right)} = V_B - F_2 + Q_k = 0;$$

$$\sum M_k = V_B b - F_2 b_1 + F_3 h_2 - M_k = 0.$$

Having solved them, we define the efforts N_k , Q_k and M_k . A positive sign of the found force indicates that the given direction of the force is valid.

When choosing the form of the equilibrium equations should strive to ensure that the problem is solved in a most simply way: each equation, if possible, should contain only one unknown force.

Using the methods of forming geometrically unchangeable systems (see Theme 1), the rigid connection of the left and the right parts of the frame, for example, in the cross-section k (Figure 2.5, a) can be represented in a

discrete view, i.e. in the form of some simple links. With a certain positions of links in the cross-section, the force in a single link (link reaction) will be equal to the corresponding internal force, i.e. N_k , Q_k or M_k .

Possible variants of the links location in the cross-section k are shown in figures 2.6, a, ..., c. The efforts in the links that correspond to the required internal forces are also indicated there.

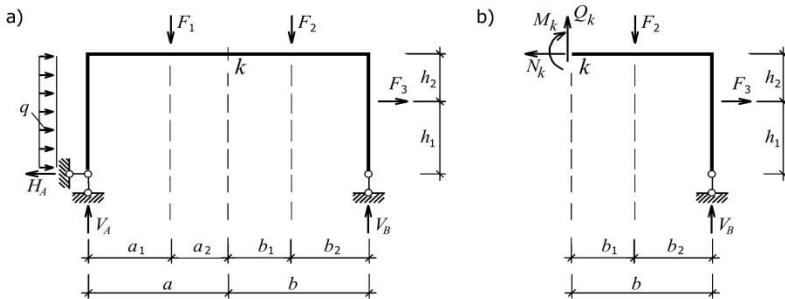


Figure 2.5

In this way, any rigid cross-section of a solid rod can be considered as a rigid node connecting two parts of a structure. Such a rigid node can always be approximated by three simple links. This approximation is used for determining internal forces by static and kinematic methods, for constructing influence lines for internal forces, and for other problems.

A variation of the static method for determining efforts is the way of dividing the system under study into many separate fragments. Composing equilibrium equations for each of them, taking into account, of course, internal forces (they are unknown) in the cross-sections separating fragments, we obtain for a statically determinate system a complete system of equations, the solution of which gives values of unknowns.

We divide, for example, the frame (Figure 2.7, a) into three fragments, shown in Figure 2.7, b. The total number of unknowns is nine: four support reactions, three unknowns in cross section D and two in cross section C . For each of the three fragments (disks), we can create three independent equations in any of the previously listed forms. Solving a

joint system of linear equations of the 9th order will enable us to find all the unknowns.

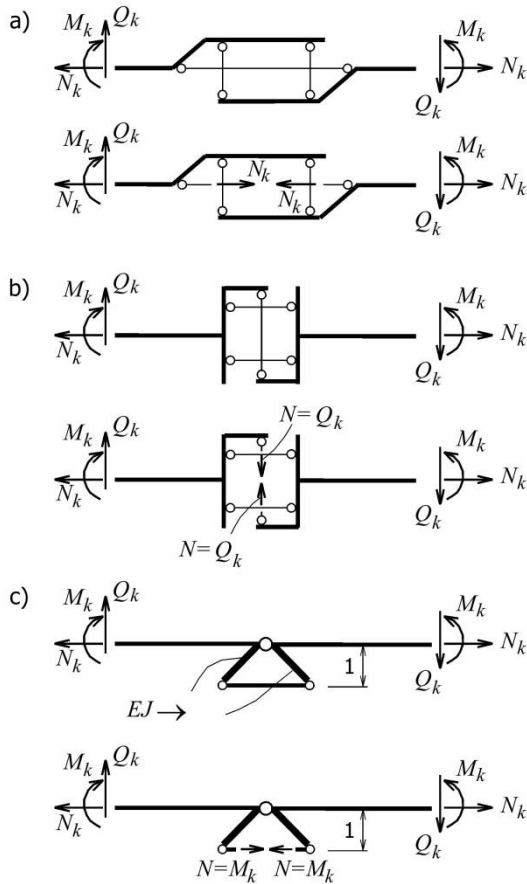


Figure 2.6

Further expansion of this method of calculating efforts is associated with the division of a given system into separate elements and nodes. Read about it in the textbook (theme 15).

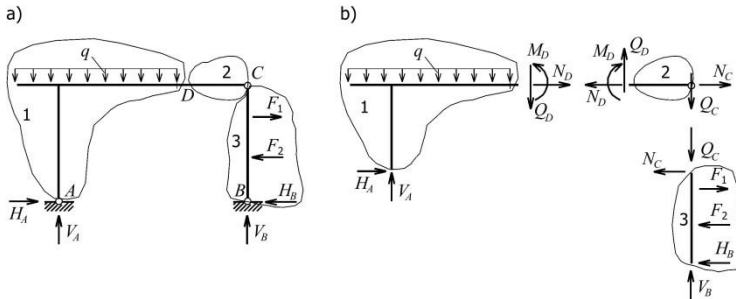


Figure 2.7

2.3. Links Replacement Method

Consider the application of this method to the calculation of the truss, shown in Figure 2.8 a.

The truss is statically determinate. Its structure can be represented in the form of three disks (triangles 3-5-6, 4-6-7 and rod 1-2), pairwise connected by two links. Since the intersection points of rods 1-3 and 2-5, 2-4, and 1-7 and node 6 (poles of mutual rotation of the disks) do not lie on one straight line, the truss is not instantaneously changeable structure.

A truss cannot be calculated by nodes isolation method, without solving the system of equilibrium equations for all nodes. It is also impossible to apply the method of simple sections, since there is no section dividing the system into two parts, in which there will be no more than three unknown forces.

The essence of the links replacing method is that one of the links of a given system is removed, and its action is replaced by an unknown force. In order for the system to remain geometrically unchangeable, another link is introduced into it. With a good arrangement of this connection, the new system (it is called a replacing system) is simpler to analyze. Static equivalence of the given and replacing systems will be observed when X becomes equal to the true force in the selected rod. In this case, the reaction in the introduced additional link will be equal to zero. Zero effort in an additional connection is a condition for writing an equation from which the force X is determined.

Let consider at an example. In a given truss (Figure 2.8, a), we will remove rod 1-2, and its effect on nodes 1 and 2 will be replaced by forces

X_1 . We introduce an additional link (support) in the sixth node. The replacing system obtained by such transformations is shown in Figure 2.8, b. The efforts in its rods are easily determined by the nodes isolation method.

Performing its calculation, we use the forces superposition principle. First we find the forces in the rods when loading the system with a given external load (Figure 2.8, c). We will denote them $N_{i-k,F}$. The force in the additional support connection - R_{1F} (index 1 means the number of the additional connection, the index F indicates the cause of the force). For the sizes adopted in Figure 2.11,a, we obtain $R_{1F} = 0.4023 \cdot F$.

Let us calculate the replacing system for the action $X_1 = 1$ (Figure 2.8, d). The efforts in the rods will be denoted $N_{i-k,1}$. The force in the additional connection - r_{11} (the first index, as before, is the number of the additional connection; the second indicates the reason that caused the effort). In the case under consideration this reaction is equal to $r_{11} = 0.1380$.

Since the total reaction of the additional support is equal to zero, we can write the equation

$$r_{11}X_1 + R_{1F} = 0, \quad (2.1)$$

from which we find

$$X_1 = -\frac{R_{1F}}{r_{11}} = -2.915F.$$

If it turned out that $r_{11} = 0$, then this would be a sign that the given truss is instantaneously changeable structure.

Subsequent calculation of the truss can be performed by nodes isolation method, or, if all $N_{i-k,F}$, $N_{i-k,1}$ are known, the forces in the rods of a given truss can be calculated by the formula

$$N_{i-k} = N_{i-k,F} + N_{i-k,1}X_1.$$

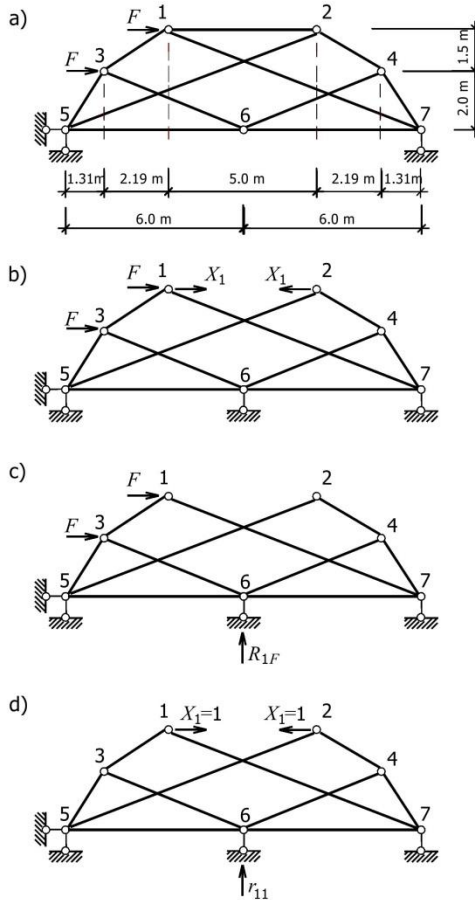


Figure 2.8

Let us consider another example. A multi-span beam (Figure 2.9, a) is easily calculated by the simple section method. However, in order to better understand the essence of the links replacement method, we will show its calculation with this method.

In the given beam, we remove the support connections at the points B and D . Their action on the beam is replaced by forces X_1 and X_2 . Let us introduce additional moment links at the points A and C , i.e. close the

hinges. The replacement system obtained by these transformations is shown in Figure 2.9, b or, in a more familiar image form, in Figure 2.9, c.

Let us construct the bending moment diagrams in the replacing beam caused by given load (Figure 2.9, d), unit force X_1 (Figure 2.9, e) and unit force X_2 (Figure 2.9, f). The values of the moments in additional constraints caused by these loads are shown in the figures.

From the conditions of static equivalence of the given and replacing beams it follows that the forces (moments) in the first and second additional links must be equal to zero. Defining them according to the principle of independence of the action of forces, we obtain the following system of equations:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} r_{11}X_1 + r_{12}X_2 + R_{1F} &= 0; \\ r_{21}X_1 + r_{22}X_2 + R_{2F} &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2.2)$$

Let us write the equations in numerical form:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 4X_1 + 9X_2 - 80 &= 0; \\ 4X_2 - 10 &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Solving them, we find $X_1 = 14.375 \text{ kN}$, $X_2 = 2.5 \text{ kN}$.

The diagram of moments for a given beam is constructed by the expression

$$M = M_F + M_1X_1 + M_2X_2.$$

It is shown in Figure 2.9, g.

It is clear that in general, the number of deleted and additional links can be large.

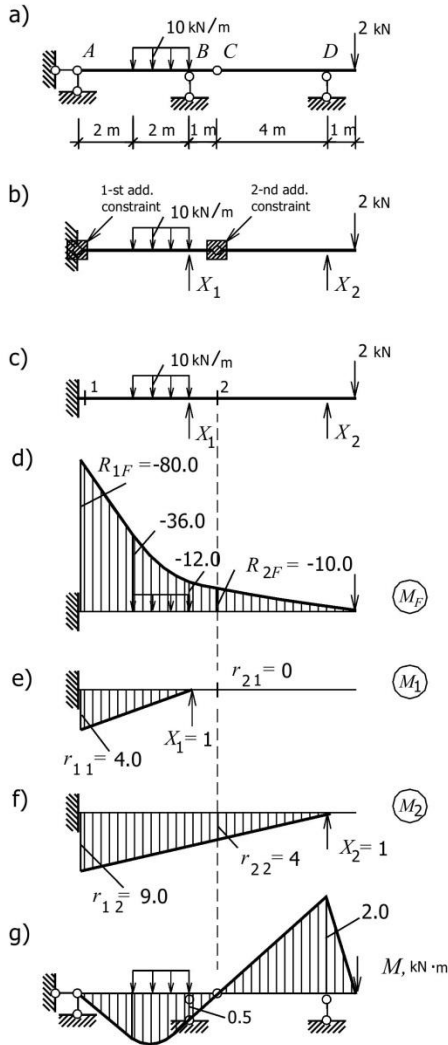


Figure 2.9

Let us write the system of equations (2.2) in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} R_{1F} \\ R_{2F} \end{bmatrix} = 0, \text{ or } L\vec{X} + \vec{R}_F = 0. \quad (2.3)$$

The solution of system (2.3), written in the form

$$\vec{X} = -L^{-1}\vec{R}_F, \quad (2.4)$$

possible if only the determinant of the matrix L is not equal to zero:

$$\text{Det } L \neq 0.$$

Therefore, if the determinant is equal to zero:

$$\text{Det } L = 0,$$

it serves as a sign of instantaneously changeability of a given system.

2.4. Kinematic method

The kinematic method is based on the principle of virtual displacements, which allows to obtain the necessary conditions for the equilibrium of the system.

Virtual displacements of a system are any combinations of infinitesimal displacements of points of a system allowed by its connections. Virtual displacements, unlike real ones, do not depend on the given external actions. They are determined only by the type of system itself and the type of connections superimposed on the system; these are purely geometric concepts.

We assume that during the transition of the system from the real state to the new one, caused by virtual displacements, the external and internal forces do not change.

The work of external and internal forces performed on virtual displacements is called the virtual work. Taking into account the introduced remarks, this work is defined as the work of constant forces on virtual displacements.

The principle of virtual displacements establishes the general condition for the equilibrium of the deformed system. It is formulated as follows if the system is in equilibrium under the action of external forces

applied to it, then for any infinitely small virtual displacements of the points of this system, the sum of the works of its external and internal forces is zero. Let us show a formal record of this principle in the form:

$$W^{(virt)} + A_{\text{int}}^{(virt)} = 0, \quad (2.5)$$

Where $W^{(virt)}$ – virtual work of external forces,

$A_{\text{int}}^{(virt)}$ – virtual work of internal forces.

Introducing the concept of the degree of freedom of the rod system (Sec. 1.4), we assumed that its rods are absolutely solid, non-deformable. Given this assumption, and also taking into account the concept of virtual displacements, it should be noted that in the initial state for a statically determinate system ($W = 0$) it is impossible to specify virtual displacements. How is then to apply the principle of virtual displacements to the calculation of such systems?

To use this principle in the problems of calculating statically determinate systems, the main axiom of the mechanics of non-free material bodies are applied - the principle of removing constraints (links). Let us remove any constraint (support, or from among those shown in Figure 2.6) and apply to the system, in addition to the given external forces, the force S that could occur in the removed constraint. Such a system will be a mechanism with one degree of freedom ($W = 1$) and, therefore, allows a possible new position, determined by one parameter. Its equilibrium state is possible only if the unknown force S in the remote constraint is equal to the true value.

Let us provide the principle of virtual displacements to the mechanism received. The work of internal forces along the entire length of non-deformable elements is zero. Considering the effort in the removed constrain as an external force, the equation of virtual works of all forces can be written as:

$$W^{(virt)} = S_i \delta_i + \sum F_k \Delta_k = 0, \quad (2.6)$$

where S_i – is the required effort in connection i , δ_i – is displacement in its direction;

F_k – k - th generalized force, Δ_k – displacement in the direction of the force F_k .

If the direction of the force and the corresponding displacement coincide, then the work is positive.

Since the calculation is carried out according to an undeformed scheme, in the system with one degree of freedom, all displacements δ_i and Δ_k are expressed in terms of one parameter. Having divided each term of equation (2.5) by this parameter, we solve it relatively S_i .

For example, determining the reaction V_B in the support B of a two-span statically determinate beam (Figure 2.10, a), we remove the support rod at a point B and apply an unknown force V_B at this point. The position of the mechanism with one degree of freedom is determined by one parameter. To such parameter, we take the rotation angle φ of the beam AB (Figure 2.10, b). Since φ , by the definition, is an infinitesimal angle, then $\Delta_1 = 2l\varphi$, $\Delta_B = 4l\varphi$, $\Delta_2 = 5l\varphi$, $\Delta_3 = 5l\varphi$.

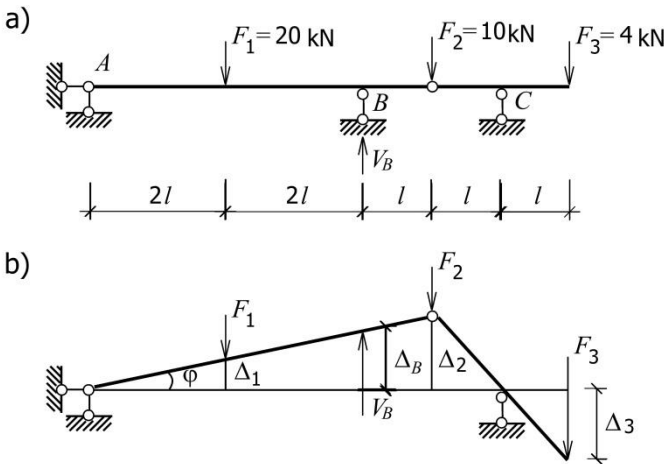


Figure 2.10

The equation of works (2.5) can be written as:

$$W^{(virt)} = V_B 4l\varphi - F_1 2l\varphi - F_2 5l\varphi + F_3 5l\varphi = 0$$

The solution gives $V_B = 17.5 \text{ kN}$.

When determining the force in the rod 1–2 of the truss beam (Figure 2.11, a), the sequence of actions remains the same as in the previous example. By removing the rod 1–2 in the given beam we get the mechanism. Virtual displacements of the mechanism will be set as follows. Keeping point C stationary, move support B vertically. In this case, the bar CB rotates by an infinitesimal angle φ (Figure 2.11, b). Considering the known support reaction as an external force, we compose the equation of virtual work.

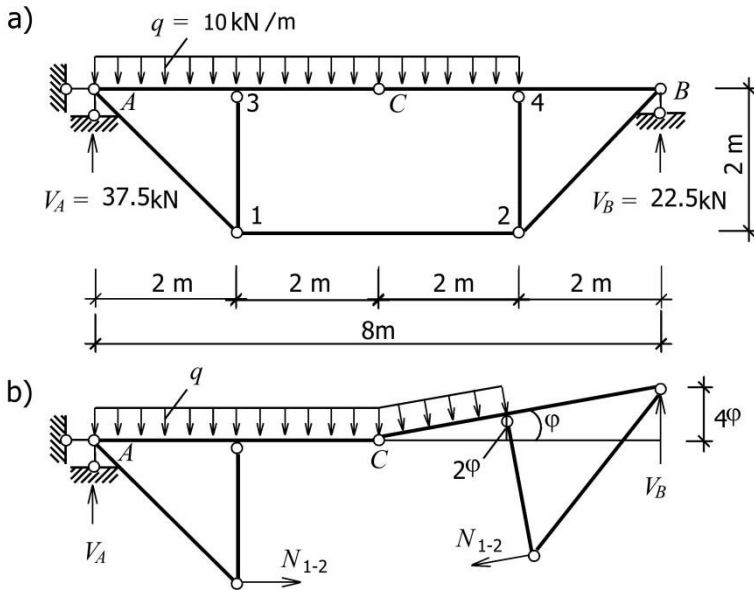


Figure 2.11

From the equation of virtual work

$$- N_{1-2} 2\varphi + V_B 4\varphi - q \frac{1}{2} 2 \cdot 2\varphi = 0$$

we find $N_{1-2} = 35 \text{ kN}$.

2.5. Statically Determinate Multi-Span Beams and Compound Frames. Main Characteristics

Statically determinate multi-span beams are a collection of simple beams connected to each other at the ends by hinges, as a rule, not coinciding with the supports.

Before starting the calculation of a multi-span beam, it is necessary to control its geometric changeability.

Kinematic analysis of multi-span beams is performed according to the rules outlined in Theme 1. After checking the degree of freedom according to formula (1.1), you should analyze the interaction scheme of simple beams in a multi-span structure (analyze the structure of the system). To do this, mentally divide the multi-span beam (Figure 2.12, a) through the hinges and analyze each simple beam for changeability. The beam AB is fixed by three correctly located support rods (links); this beam is unchangeable. It may be called the main beam or primary one.

Then, the state of the beam adjacent to it on the right side is considered. This beam CD has its own vertical support link at point D. The hinge, which connects the beams at point C, can be replaced by two support links. We draw (Figure 2.12, b) the position of the beam CD above the main one (gravity is transmitted from upper beam to lower one). A beam CD will be called an auxiliary beam or secondary one. Considering in the same way, we show the position of the upper auxiliary beam EF. The design scheme shown in Figure 2.12, b is called interaction scheme.

Interaction schemes for multi-span beams can be varied. As an example, figure 2.12, d shows the interaction scheme for a multi-span beam in figure 2.12, c. There are two main beams AB and DE. Beams BC and FG are auxiliary.

Using the interaction schemes, the sequence for calculating a multi-span beam is established. First, the uppermost auxiliary beams are calculated, then below located beams are analyzed taking into account the

interaction forces (pressure from the upper beams is transmitted to the lower beams).

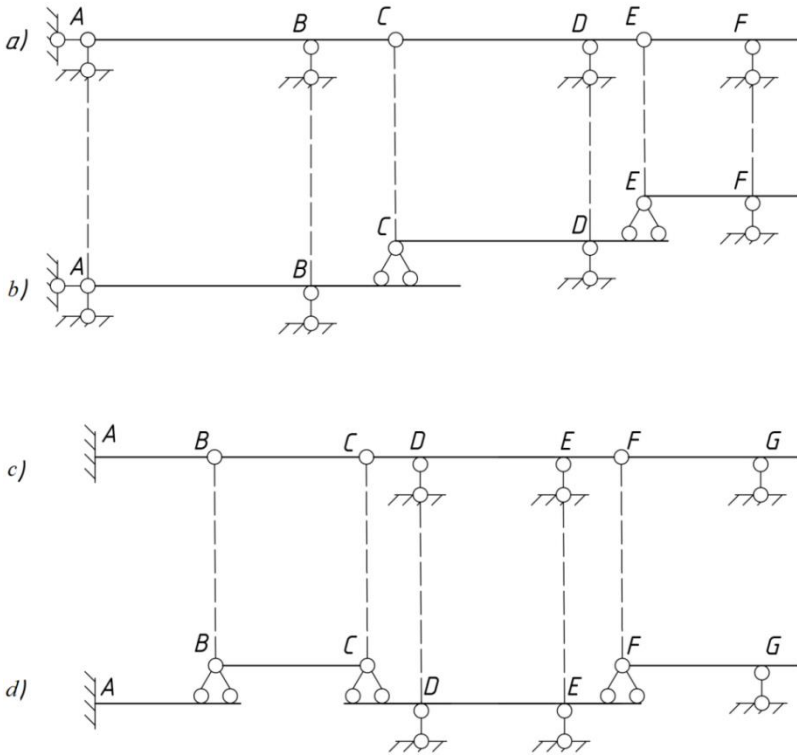


Figure 2.12

Example. We perform a kinematic analysis and show the sequence of plotting the bending moments and transverse forces diagrams in a three-span statically determinate beam (Figure 2.13, a). The position of the design cross-sections on the beam is shown.

The degree of freedom of the beam is calculated by the formula:

$$W = 3D - 2H - S_0 = 3 \times 4 - 2 \times 3 - 6 = 0.$$

Breaking the beam by cross-sections 7, 10 and 12, we notice that the considered beam has two main parts: a simply supported beam AB (its length from section 1 to section 7 is 14.6 meters) and a cantilever beam (5 meters long from section 12 to a rigid fixed support at point E). The cantilever beam is rigidly fixed; there are three constraints at the right end of this beam. The horizontal beam AB is unmovable due to its binding (using non-deformable rods in the longitudinal direction at the segment 7-15) to rigid fixed support E. Considering that the beam (it can be called an insert) in the section 10-12 does not have its own support, we form the interaction scheme corresponding to figure 2.13, b.

Having determined the support reactions and the necessary efforts in the uppermost beam (on the interaction scheme), taking into account the interaction forces, it is necessary to transfer the pressure to the lower beams and continue their calculation. An illustration of the sequence of calculation of separate beams is on figure 2.13, c.

The internal forces diagrams for separate beams, which are being located horizontally in accordance with the position of the beams on a given scheme, form the internal forces diagrams for a multi-span beam (Figure 2.13, d, e).

E x a m p l e. For statically determinate compound frame (Figure 2.14, a) it is required to perform a kinematic analysis and to build the internal forces diagrams.

We perform kinematic analysis of the frame. Degree of freedom:

$$W = 3D - 2H - S_0 = 3 \times 3 - 2 \times 2 - 5 = 0.$$

We check the correctness of the frame structure and find its main and secondary parts. To do this we cut the design scheme (Figure 2.14, a) through the hinges which are connecting the disks, and analyze the mobility of each part. Having executed section only through the hinge K, we notice that each part of the frame (both left and right) is a geometrically changeable system. If we execute section only through the hinge F, then the left part of the frame will be geometrically unchangeable, unmovable: it will be a three-hinged frame with correctly located links (constraints). It will be the main part of the system.

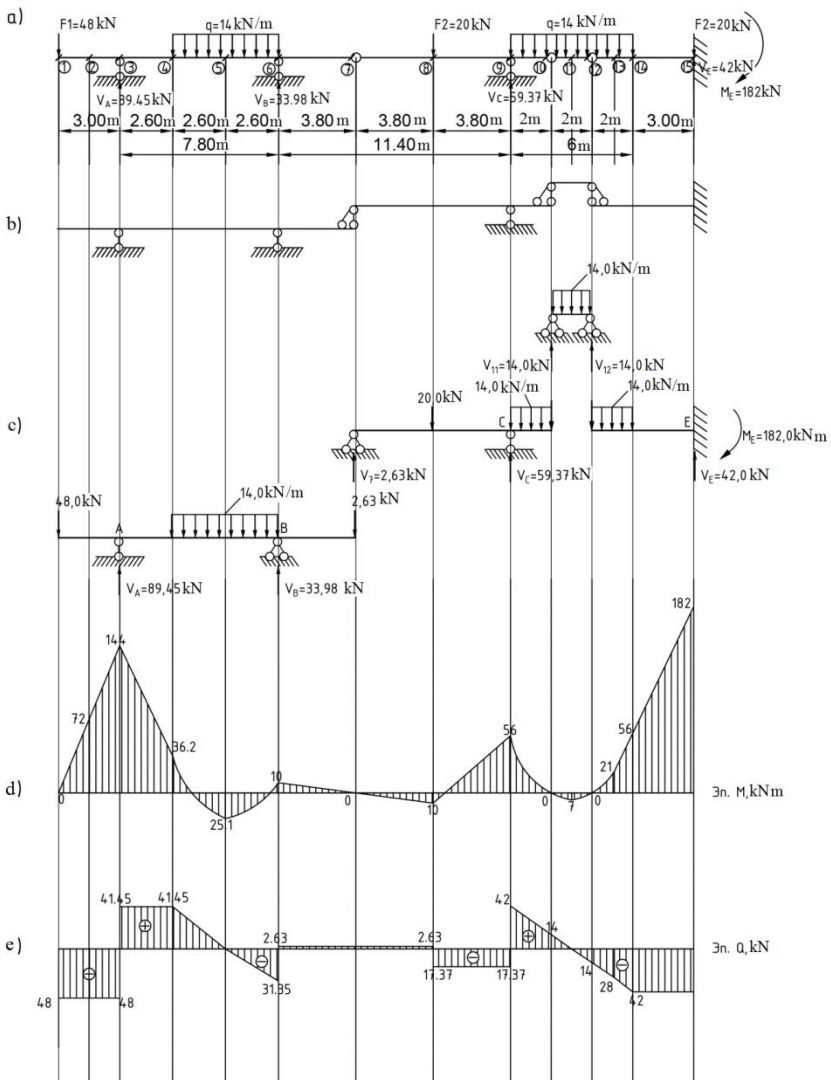


Figure 2.13

The right frame part will be also unchangeable, since it has its own support rod at point C, and at point F it is connected to the fixed frame by means of a hinge. The support rod at point C does not pass through the hinge F. The right part of the frame is auxiliary or secondary.

Then, a sequence of calculations is performed. It is characteristic of multi-span statically determinate beams.

Determining support reactions for the auxiliary frame:

$$\sum M_F = H_C \times 7.6 - 18 \times 7.6 \times 3.8 = 0; \quad H_C = 68.4 \text{ kN}.$$

$$\sum Y = V_F - 100 = 0; \quad V_F = 100 \text{ kN}.$$

Determining support reactions for the main frame:

$$\sum M_K^{\text{right}} = H_B \times 5.04 + V_B \times 3.1 - 68.4 \times 1.24 - 100 \times 6.3 = 0;$$

$$\sum M_A = V_B \times 6.2 - H_B \times 3.8 - 46 \times 3.1 \times 1.55 - 100 \times 9.4 + 68.4 \times 7.6 = 0;$$

$$H_B = 56.80 \text{ kN}; \quad V_B = 138.23 \text{ kN}.$$

$$\sum M_K^{\text{left}} = H_A \times 8.84 - V_A \times 3.1 - 46 \times 3.1 \times 1.55 = 0;$$

$$\sum M_B = H_A \times 3.8 - V_A \times 6.2 + 46 \times 3.1 \times 4.65 - 100 \times 3.2 + 68.4 \times 3.8 = 0;$$

$$H_A = 11.60 \text{ kN}; \quad V_A = 104.37 \text{ kN}.$$

Verifying the calculated support reactions for the main frame:

$$\sum X = H_A + H_B - 68.4 = 11.60 + 56.80 - 68.4 = 0;$$

$$\sum Y = V_A + V_B - 46 \times 3.1 - 100 = 104.37 + 138.23 - 46 \times 3.1 - 100 = 0.$$

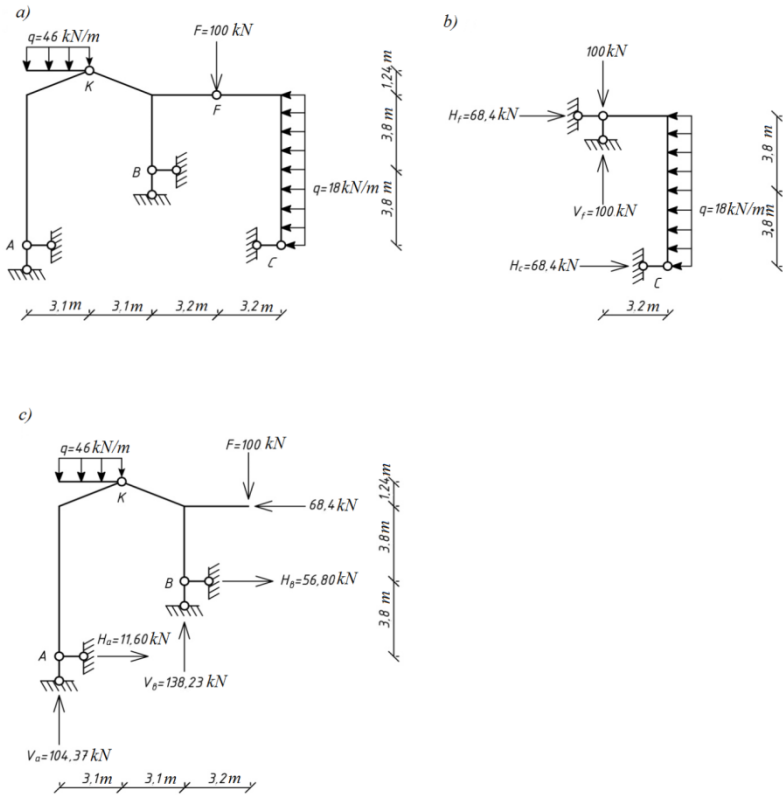


Figure 2.14

Figure 2.15 shows the diagrams of bending moment (M), shear (Q) and longitudinal (N) forces.

Checking the balance of rigid nodes.

Figure 2.15, g shows the forces in the rods in sections adjacent to the node.

We compose the equilibrium equations of all forces (in this case, only internal) acting on the node.

$$\sum X = 0; 11.60 - 49.53 \times \cos \alpha + 92.60 \times \sin \alpha = 0; \cos \alpha = 0.9285; \sin \alpha = 0.3719;$$

$$\sum Y = 0; 104.37 - 49.53 \times \sin \alpha - 92.60 \times \cos \alpha = 0;$$

We write the equilibrium equations of the forces shown in figure 2.15, h.

$$\sum X = 0; 56.80 - 68.40 - 31.19 \times \sin \alpha + 24.97 \times \cos \alpha = 0;$$

$$\sum Y = 0; 138.23 - 100 - 31.19 \times \cos \alpha - 24.97 \times \sin \alpha = 0;$$

$$\sum M_{node} = 0; 104.14 + 215.86 - 320 = 0.$$

To check the balance of the frame as a whole, it is necessary to find support reactions and compose the required equilibrium equations. Practical actions are as follows: the frame elements are cut off from the supports; in the cross-sections of the elements the internal forces are shown, the numerical values of which are taken from the constructed diagrams; equilibrium equations are written in any of the previously listed forms.

In the considered example, after cutting the frame from the support (the picture is not shown), we are restricted by two equations:

$$\sum X = 0; -18 \times 7.6 + 11.60 + 68.40 + 56.80 = 0;$$

$$\sum Y = 0; -4.6 \times 3.1 - 100 + 104.37 + 138.23 = 0.$$

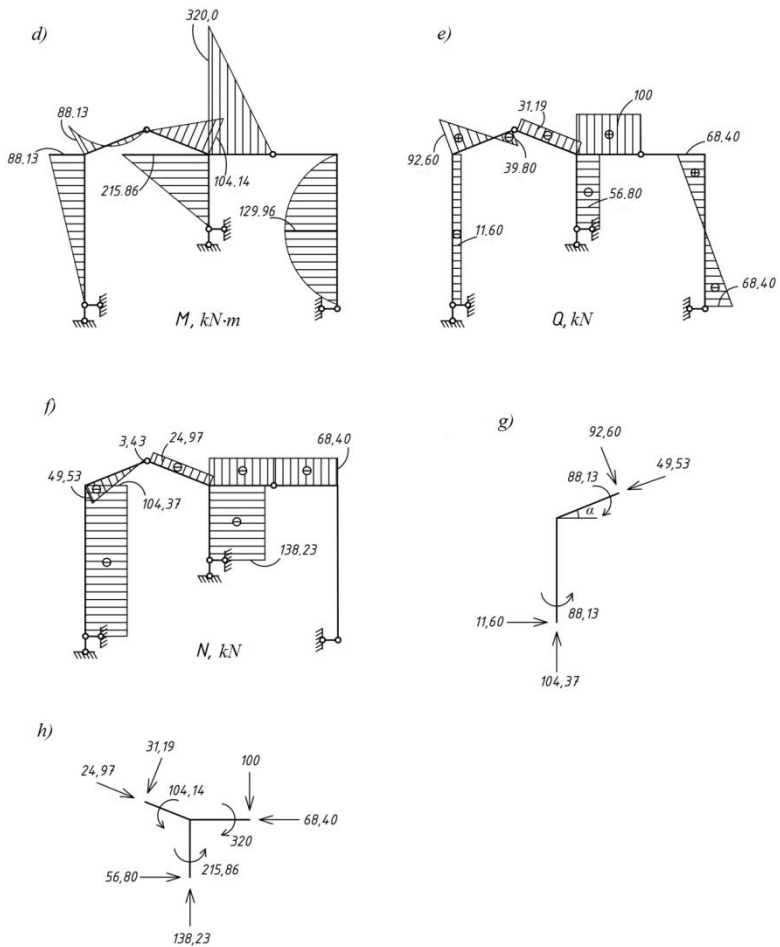


Figure 2.15

THEME 3.

DETERMINATION OF EFFORTS FROM MOVING LOADS

3.1. Concept of Moving Load. Concept of Influence Lines

This theme discusses methods for calculating beam systems on the action of moving loads.

Moving are the loads that can move along the structure without changing the direction of action. A moving load is a load from automobile and railway transport, bridge cranes, etc. There is a wide variety of such loads. The pressure from such loads on the beam (or other structure) may be transmitted in the form of concentrated forces or may be distributed over some area (or length, in the case of plane systems).



Illustration 3.1. Auto traffics on the city bridge

To develop a general theory of calculation for all types of moving loads is a difficult task. The simplest elementary moving load is the concentrated unit force $F = 1$. Based on the knowledge about the influence of this force on any factor, it is possible to obtain a solution for any number of concentrated forces and loads distributed according to any law using the principle of independence of the forces action.

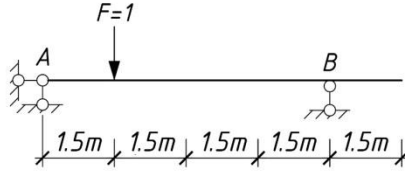


Figure 3.1

When the force $F = 1$ moves along the beam (Figure 3.1), the displacements of all its points are observed. For example, if the force is located at $x = 1.5$ m, then the displacements of the characteristic points of the beam (their coordinates are recorded in the left-hand column of Table 3.1) will be equal to the values indicated in the table for $x = 1.5$ m. Based on these values, you can construct the diagram of vertical displacements of the beam points. It is shown in Figure 3.2. The diagrams of the beam displacements at other positions of force can be constructed by corresponding values of the displacements of characteristic points using the data in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1

The coordinate of the point on the beam	The position of the force $F = 1$ on the beam			
	$x=1.5$ m	$x=3.0$ m	$x=4.5$ m	$x=7.5$ m
$x=0.0$ m	0	0	0	0
$x=1.5$ m	-2.53	-3.09	-1.97	2.11
$x=3.0$ m	-3.09	-4.50	-3.09	3.38
$x=4.5$ m	-1.97	-3.09	-2.53	2.95
$x=6.0$ m	0	0	0	0
$x=7.5$ m	2.11	3.38	2.95	-5.63

Note: 1. Apply a common factor $1/EI$ for all displacements.

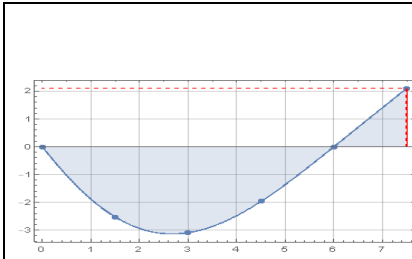


Figure 3.2. The diagram of vertical displacements of the beam points due to $F = 1$, located at the point $x = 1.5$ m.

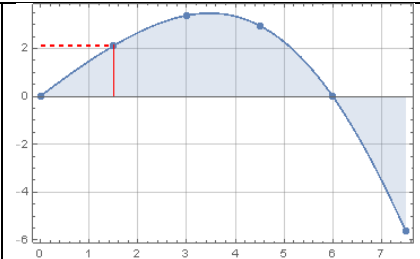


Figure 3.3. Influence line for the vertical displacement of one beam point with the coordinate $x = 7.5$ m.

Using the displacement values in the last row of the table, we construct a displacements graph of the point at the end of the beam ($x = 7.5$ m) for all possible positions of the force $F = 1$ (Figure 3.3). Such a graph is called influence line for the displacement of the beam point with the coordinate $x = 7.5$ m. Carrying out similar considerations, it is possible to construct influence lines for internal forces (M , Q , N), which are stresses in some cross-sections of the beam, etc.

Definition. Influence line is a graph which shows **variation of some particular factor** (force, displacement, etc.) **in the given cross-section** of a structural element in terms of **position of unit** concentrated dimensionless **force** of a constant direction.

Note the differences in the concepts of “Influence line for an effort” and “Diagram of efforts”.

The efforts diagram is a graph of some type efforts in all cross-sections of the structure loaded by fixed load. Influence line for the effort shows the effort in only one, fixed cross-section of the structure loaded by the moving force equal one.



Illustration 3.2. Bridge testing with auto train

3.2. Static Method of Constructing Influence Lines for Internal Forces

The previously described method of constructing influence lines requires a large number of beam calculations. The way in which the factor under investigation (in the previous example, displacement) is written as a function of the unit force position is more practical. This dependence can be obtained from the equations of equilibrium of a solid (equations of statics). The corresponding method of constructing influence lines is called static method.

3.2.1. Influence Lines for Support Reactions in a Simple Beam

We show construction of influence lines for efforts in a one-span beam (Figure 3.4 a).

We take the origin of the coordinate axes at point A. The X axis is directed along the axis of the beam, the Y axis is directed up. The position of the force $F = 1$ is determined by the x coordinate. On the Y axis we will plot the value of the investigated factor.

Writing the equation of the moments of all forces relative to point B, we obtain an expression that sets the dependence of the support reaction on the position of the force:

$$\sum M_B = 0; V_A l - F(l-x) = 0;$$

$$V_A = \frac{F(l-x)}{l} \quad (3.1)$$

Showing this relation graphically, we obtain the influence line for support reaction V_A (Figure 3.4, b).

Expression (1.1) is the equation of a straight line. To draw a line on a plane, it is enough to know the position of two points through which it passes. Find them, taking $F = 1$.

For $x = 0$ (the force is located above the support A) it follows from formula (3.1) that $V_A = 1$; for $x = l$ (the force is located above the support B) we obtain $V_A = 0$.

A straight line drawn through these two points represents the required influence line for support reaction (Figure 3.4, b).

In this example and in all subsequent ones positive ordinates of influence lines are drawn upward (in the direction of Y-axis).

We define the dimension of ordinates of the influence line for support reaction. If we take $F = 1$ in expression (1.1), then the right side of the equation can be written as follows:

$$\frac{(l-x)}{l} \quad (3.2)$$

Comparing the record in the right-hand side of equation (3.1) and the right-hand side in the form (3.2) means dividing the left and right sides of equation (3.1) by F . In this case, equation (3.1) is transformed to

$$\frac{V_A}{F} = \frac{l-x}{l} \quad (3.3)$$

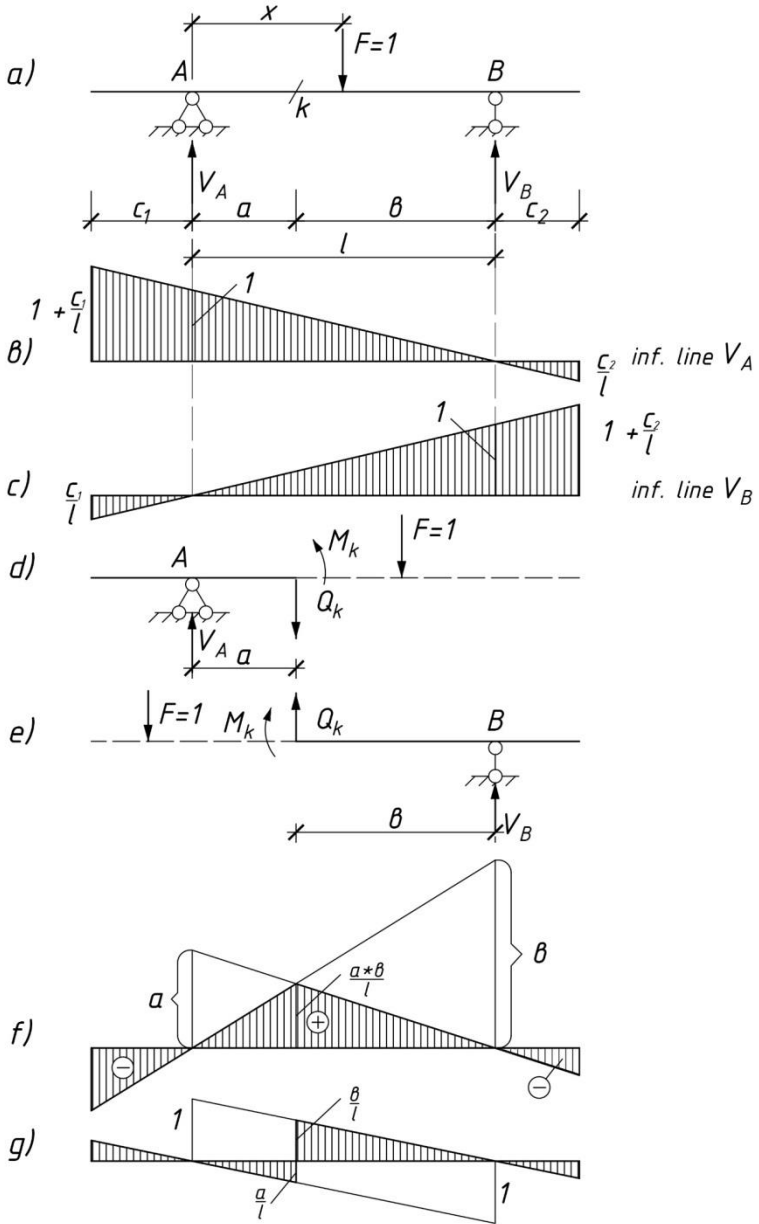


Figure 3.4

Recording on the left of the equal sign indicates the dimension of the ordinates of the influence line for support reaction as a derivative of the dimensions of force factors. The dimension of the support reaction V_A and the force is F — kN. Consequently, the ordinates of influence line for support reaction have no dimension, they are dimensionless.

Analyzing these arguments in relation to the dimension of the ordinate, we obtain:

$$[\text{dimension of the ordinate of influence line for effort}] = \frac{[\text{dimension of the required factor}]}{[\text{dimension of the force}]}$$

The unit ordinate at point A is the scale of the graph (a segment of any length is taken to be equal to one).

Writing the equation of the moments of all forces relative to point A, we obtain the expression for determining the support reaction V_B .

$$\begin{aligned} \sum M_A = 0; \quad V_B l - Fx = 0; \\ V_B = \frac{Fx}{l} \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

To construct a line, we find the position of two points through which it passes. Taking $F = 1$, we get:

For $x = 0$ (the force is located above the support A) it follows from formula (3.4) that $V_B = 0$;

for $x = l$ (the force is located above the support B) we obtain $V_B = 1$.

The influence line for support reaction is shown in Figure 3.4,c.

3.2.2. Influence Lines for Efforts in Cross-Sections between Beam Supports

Design scheme of the beam is shown in Figure 3.4, a. The section k on the beam is fixed. Internal forces in section k of a beam depend on the position of a moving load $F=1$. The analytical dependences of the efforts in this section depend on the position of the force. It is located to the right-hand of section k or to the left-hand. Therefore, when determining the force in a cross-section, it is necessary to know where the force is located. The equilibrium equations are simpler, if when

compiling them, we consider that part of the beam on which there is no force.

First, we construct influence lines for **bending moment** in the section k .

1. The force $F = 1$ is located to the right-hand of the section k ($a \leq x \leq l + c_2$).

From the equilibrium equations of the left side of the beam (Figure 3.4, d) it follows:

$$\sum M_k^{left} = 0; V_A a - M_k = 0; M_k = V_A a; V_A = \frac{l-x}{l}; M_k = \frac{l-x}{l} a.$$

Influence line for M_k on the right side of the beam has the form of a straight line. We set for x the value from the interval ($a \leq x \leq l$):

$$x = a, M_k = \frac{l-a}{l} a = \frac{ab}{l};$$

$$x = l, M_k = 0.$$

The straight line constructed at these points is extended to the console, the length of which equals c_2 (Figure 3.4, f). Hatching (vertical) is performed on the **operating range** ($a \leq x \leq l + c_2$).

2. The force $F = 1$ is located to the left-hand of the section k ($-c_1 \leq x \leq a$).

From the equilibrium equations of the right side of the beam (Figure 3.4, d) it follows:

$$\sum M_k^{right} = 0; V_B b - M_k = 0; M_k = V_B b; V_B = \frac{x}{l}; M_k = \frac{x}{l} b.$$

We construct a straight line.

$$x = 0, M_k = 0;$$

$$x = a, M_k = \frac{ab}{l};$$

The straight line constructed at these points is extended to the console, the length of which equals c_1 . (Figure 3.4, e). Hatching (vertical) is performed on the **operating range** ($-c_1 \leq x \leq a$).

$$[\text{dimension of the ordinate of inf. line for bending moment}] = \frac{[kNm]}{[kN]} = m.$$

Remark:

1. The formula $M_k = V_A a$ can be read as follows: inf. line M_k
= (inf. line V_A) a .

2. Analysis of the form of the inf. line M_k shows that on the verticals passing through the support points, the inclined lines cut off segments equal to the distances from the supports to the section k .

3. The top of the line of influence is located under the cross-section k .

We construct influence lines for **shear force** in the section k .

1. The force $F = 1$ is located to the right-hand of the section k ($a \leq x \leq l$).

From the equilibrium equations of the left side of the beam (Figure 3.4, d) it follows:

$$\sum Y^{left} = 0; \quad V_A - Q_k = 0; \quad Q_k = V_A; \quad Q_k = \frac{l-x}{l}.$$

Influence line for Q_k on the site of the position of the force can be constructed using inf. line V_A , or by the position of the points through which the line passes.

2. The force $F = 1$ is located to the left-hand of the section k ($0 \leq x \leq a$).

From the equilibrium equations of the right side of the beam (Figure 3.4, d) it follows:

$$\sum Y^{right} = 0; \quad V_B + Q_k = 0; \quad Q_k = -V_B; \quad Q_k = -\frac{x}{l}.$$

Influence line for support reaction is shown in Figure 3.4, g.

$$[\text{dimension of the ordinate of inf. line for shear force}] = \frac{[kN]}{[kN]} =$$

ordinates are dimensionless.

3.2.3. Influence Lines for Efforts in the Cantilever Beam Sections

The design scheme of the beam is shown in Figure 3.5, a. Construct influence lines for **bending moment** and **shear force** in the section k .

We take the origin of the coordinate axes in the section k .

1. *The force $F = 1$ is located to the right-hand of the section k ($0 \leq x \leq b$).*

From the equilibrium equations of the right side of the beam (Figure 3.5, b) it follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum M_k^{right} = 0; \quad M_k + Fx = 0; \quad M_k = -Fx; \quad M_k = -x. \\ \sum Y^{right} = 0; \quad Q_k - F = 0; \quad Q_k = F; \quad Q_k = 1. \end{aligned}$$

For $x = 0$ (the force is located in cross-section k) $M_k = 0$, $Q_k = 1$;
при $x = b$ (the force is located above at the end of the console)

$$M_k = -l, \quad Q_k = 1.$$

2. *The force $F = 1$ is located to the left-hand of the section k ($-a \leq x \leq 0$). **The right side** of the beam (Figure 3.5, c) is not loaded, therefore $M_k = 0$, $Q_k = 0$.*

Influence lines for efforts is shown in Figures 3.5, d, e.

Let us once again draw attention to the interconnection of the concepts “influence line for effort” and “diagram of efforts”. Figure 3.5 e shows the diagram of bending moments due to the force $F = 1$, appended at the end of the console. The ordinate on the diagram in cross-section k is equal to the ordinate of the influence line M_k at the end of the console (Figure 3.5, e).

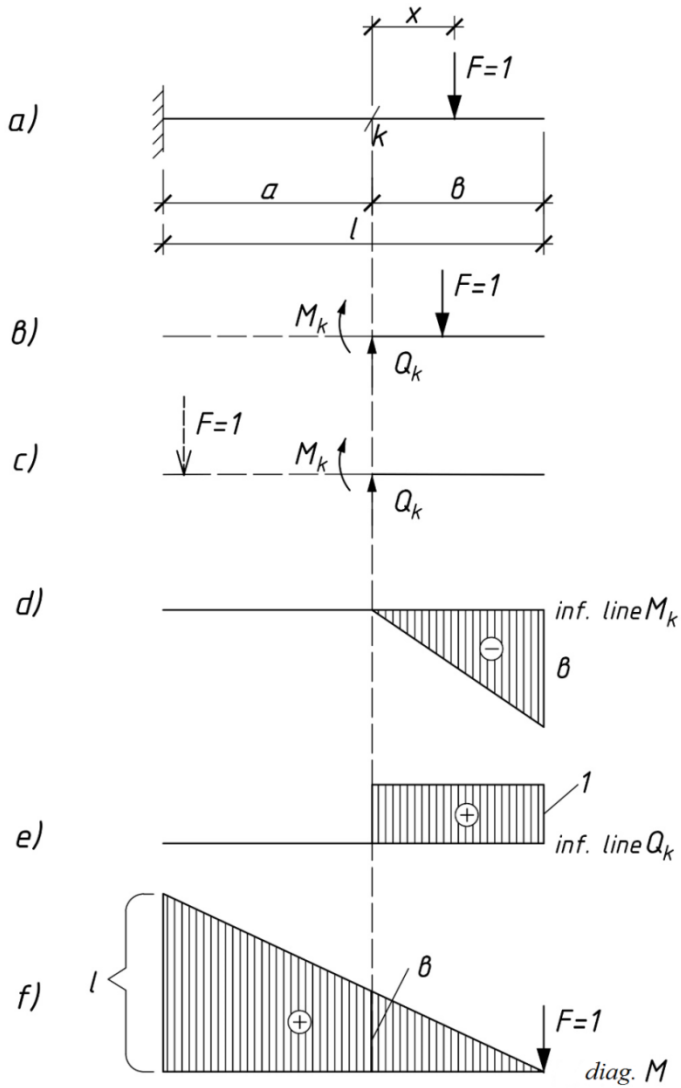


Figure 3.5

3.3. Kinematic Method for Constructing Influence Lines for Internal Forces

The kinematic method of constructing influence lines is based on the **principle of virtual displacements** (Section 2.4), according to which for a system that is in equilibrium under the action of external forces applied to it, the sum of the work of its external and internal forces on any infinitesimal displacements is zero.

Consider the design scheme of a simple beam (Figure 3.6, a).

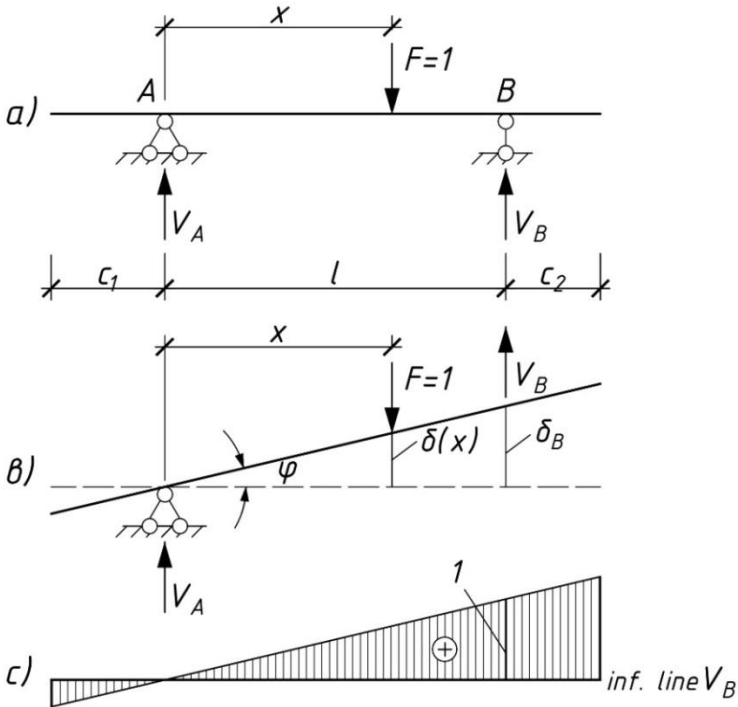


Figure 3.6

We construct influence line for support reaction V_B .

We eliminate the right support, replacing its action with a reaction V_B (Figure 3.6, b). The resulting system has become a mechanism. For the possible displacements take displacement caused by the rotation of the beam around the point A at an angle φ (Figure 3.6, b). We write

down the sum of the forces acting on the system on the considered infinitesimal displacements:

$$-F\delta(x) + V_B\delta_B = 0.$$

From this equation we get:

$$V_B = \frac{F\delta(x)}{\delta_B}. \quad (3.5)$$

Different positions of the force $F = 1$ lead to a change in the value of the corresponding displacement $\delta(x)$. In this case, all possible values of $\delta(x)$ along the length of the beam show a diagram of the vertical displacements of the beam points. The denominator in the formula (3.5) is a constant. δ_B is a scale factor. Assuming δ_B is equal to unity, we get:

$$V_B = \delta(x). \quad (3.6)$$

Consequently, the outline of the **influence line** coincides with the **diagram of the vertical displacements** of the points of the beam (Figure 3.6, c).

From the ordinate ratios in Figure 3.6,b we get $\frac{\delta(x)}{\delta_B} = \frac{x}{l}$, which, for

$F = 1$, corresponds to the expression (3.4) obtained by the static method.

Construct influence lines for **bending moment** in the section k .

The design scheme of the beam is shown in Figure 3.7, a. We eliminate the constraint in the cross-section k through which the moment is transmitted (we set the hinge), replacing its action with the moment M_K (Figure 3.7, b). The figure shows the interaction forces of the left and right parts of the beam. We will set the possible displacements to the obtained mechanism in the direction of the moments M_K action, taking the angle of mutual rotation of the end cross-sections equal to unity. The ordinates between the initial position of the beam and the new (broken) form a diagram of the beam displacement (Figure 3.7, b).

The virtual work of external and internal forces on the taken beam displacements is equal to zero:

$$-F\delta(x) + M_K 1 = 0.$$

At $F = 1$ we get $M_K = \delta(x)$, that corresponds to the above conclusion: influence line M_K (Figure 3.7, d) coincides with the diagram of the vertical displacements of the beam points.

Using the notation given in Figure 3.7, a, shows that it is exactly coincides with the influence line previously constructed by a static method (Figure 3.4, e).

Possible displacements, in fact, are infinitesimal. Therefore, when analyzing the relations in Figure 3.7, you can use simplifications of the form:

$$tg\varphi_1 \approx \varphi_1; \quad tg\varphi_2 \approx \varphi_2.$$

From the data in Figure 3.7, c, provided that $\alpha = \varphi_1 + \varphi_2 = 1$, we obtain:

$$l\varphi_1 = b\varphi_2 + b\varphi_1; \quad l\varphi_1 = b; \quad \varphi_1 = \frac{b}{l}; \quad \Delta_k = a\varphi_1 = \frac{ab}{l}.$$

$$l\varphi_2 = a\varphi_1 + a\varphi_2; \quad l\varphi_2 = a; \quad \varphi_2 = \frac{a}{l}; \quad \Delta_k = b\varphi_2 = \frac{ab}{l}.$$

The ordinate of influence line in cross-section k is equal to the ordinate obtained by the static method (Figure 3.4, f).

Let us construct the influence lines for **shear force** in the section k (Figure 3.8, a).

We eliminate the constraint in this cross-section, in which a shear force can arise. The connection of the left and right parts of the beam after this is carried out by means of two horizontally arranged links through which longitudinal forces and bending moments can be transmitted. On the newly formed design scheme, we show in the cross-section the positive directions of the shear forces for both parts of the beam (Figure 3.8, b). Giving the unity value for mutual displacement of the beam ends along the directions of the shear forces, we obtain a diagram of the beam's displacements (Figure 3.8, c), the outline of which completely corresponds to influence line for shear force (Figure 3.8, d).

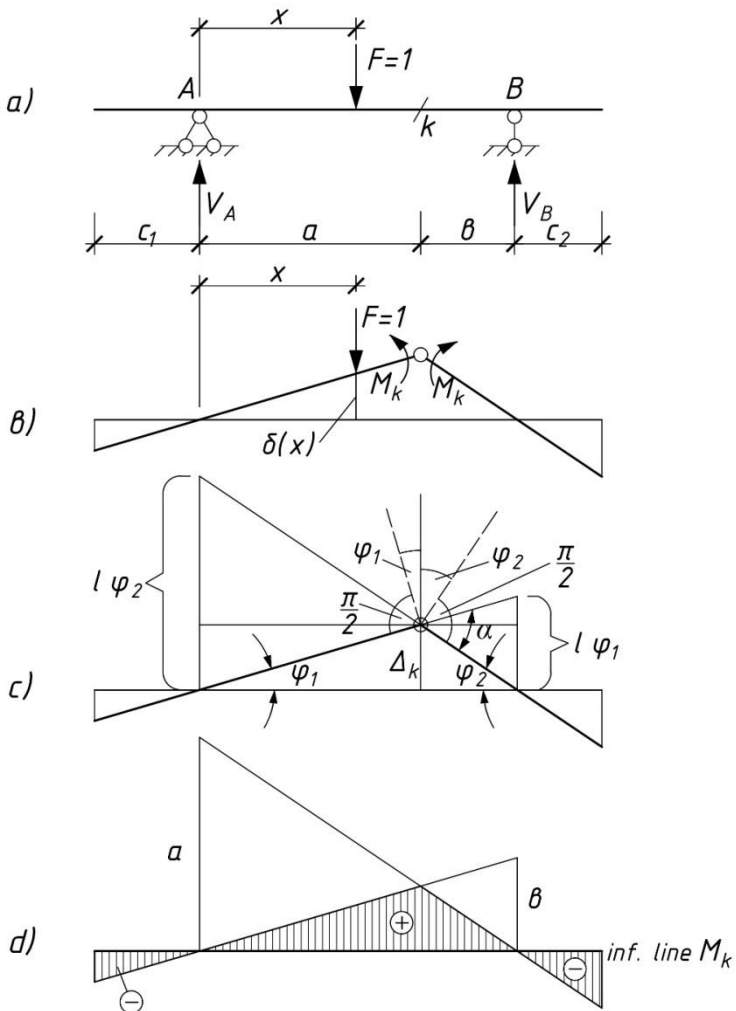


Figure 3.7

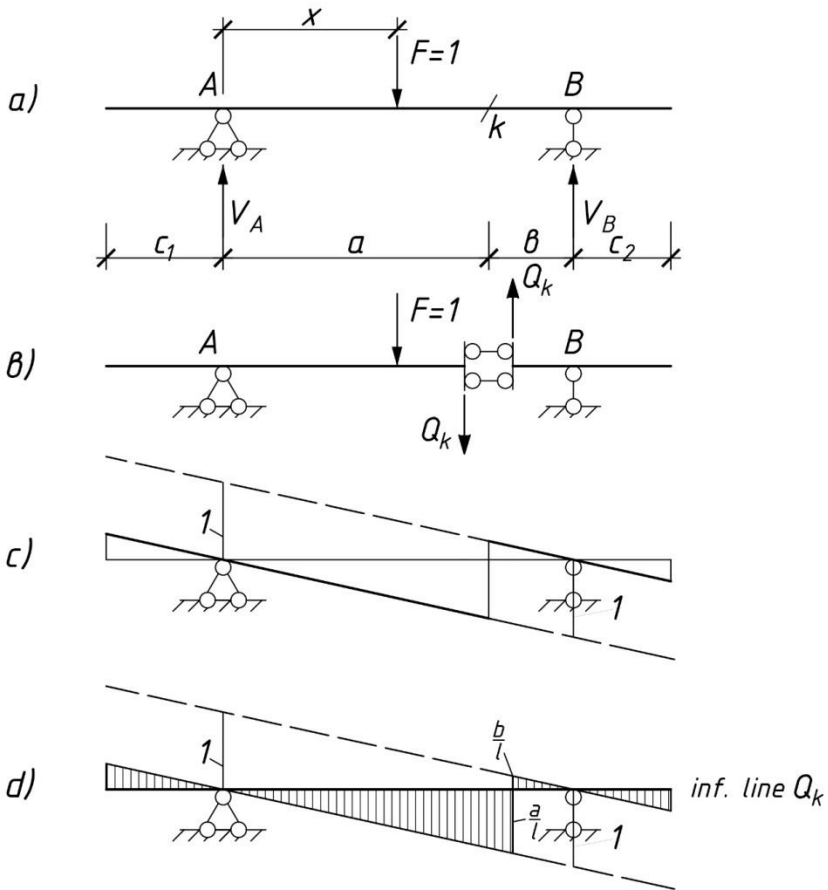


Figure 3.8

3.4. Determination of the Effort from Fixed Load Using Influence Lines

By the definition, each of the ordinates of the inf. line for S represents the value of the effort S when the acting force $F = 1$ is located on the beam above this ordinate. If a unit force is not located above the ordinate, but a force whose value is equal F is located there, then the effort caused by its action will be F times more, i.e. the effort will be

equal to the product of the force F and the ordinate of the influence line for the effort under this force: $S = Fy$.

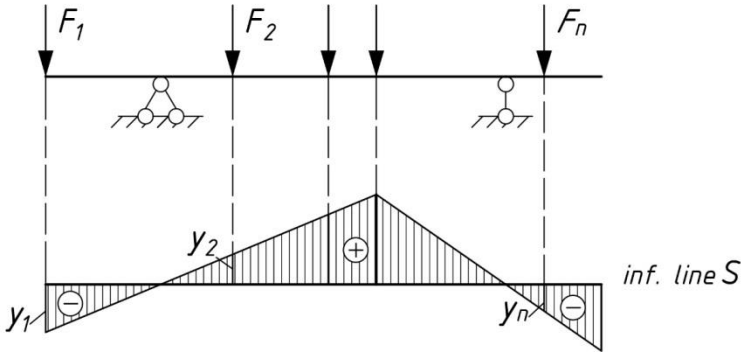


Figure 3.9

If n **concentrated vertical** forces act on the beam (Figure 3.9), then the force S , based on the principle of superposition, should be calculated by the formula:

$$S = F_1y_1 + F_2y_2 + \dots + F_ny_n = \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} F_iy_i \quad (3.7)$$

In this expression, the value of the looking downward force is taken with the plus sign, , the value of the looking upward force is taken with the minus sign.

Consider the action on the beam of a **load distributed** according to an arbitrary law $q(x)$, (Figure 3.10, a). On this beam, we select a section of infinitely small length dx . The concentrated force replacing the distributed load on this section is equal to $dF = q(x)dx$. (Figure 3.10, a). The elementary effort dS from the action of the force dF is:

$$dS = dFy = q(x)y(x)dx.$$

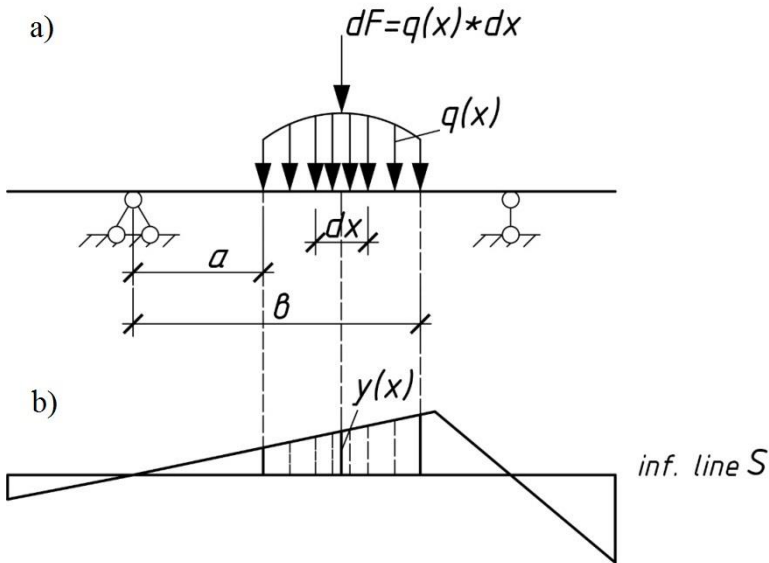


Figure 3.10

Integrating this expression along the length of the loading section, we find:

$$S = \int_a^b q(x)y(x)dx \quad (3.8)$$

If a **uniformly distributed load** acts on the beam $q(x) = q$ (Figure 3.10, b), then

$$S = \int_a^b qy(x)dx = q \int_a^b y(x)dx = q\omega. \quad (3.9)$$

Here ω is the area of influence line S corresponding the uniformly distributed load's action site. In figure 3.10, b the area ω is highlighted by hatching. It should be kept in mind that the ordinates of the influence

lines located above the axis of the beam are positive, the ordinates of the lines of influence located below the axis of the beam are negative. The area below the axis is negative.

Let us consider the action on the beam of a **concentrated moment M** (рисунок 3.11). (Figure 3.11). Replace the moment with a couple of forces F with arm $\Delta x : F = \frac{M}{\Delta x}$. With the help of the formula (3.7) we find:

$$S = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \left[-\frac{M}{\Delta x} y + \frac{M}{\Delta x} (y + \Delta y) \right] = M \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{y + \Delta y}{\Delta x} - \frac{y}{\Delta x} \right] = M \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = M \frac{dy}{dx}. \quad (3.10)$$

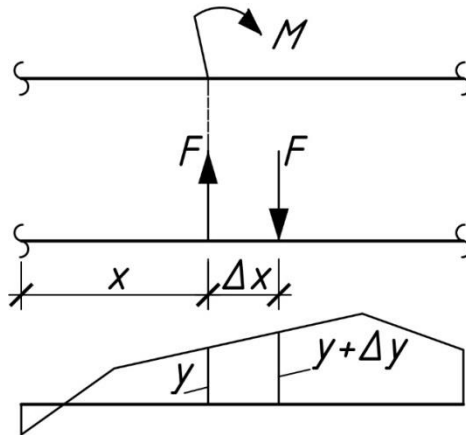


Figure 3.11

The moment directed in a clockwise direction, is considered positive. The value of the derivative of the function that describes the outline of influence line is calculated at the point of application of the concentrated moment.

On a straight section of the influence line, the calculation of the effort S will be a simpler action if the concentrated moment is replaced by a pair of forces on any length of this section.

With the simultaneous action on the beam of all considered force factors (concentrated forces, distributed load, concentrated moment), the

effort S is calculated by summing the results caused by each factor individually based on the principle of superposition.

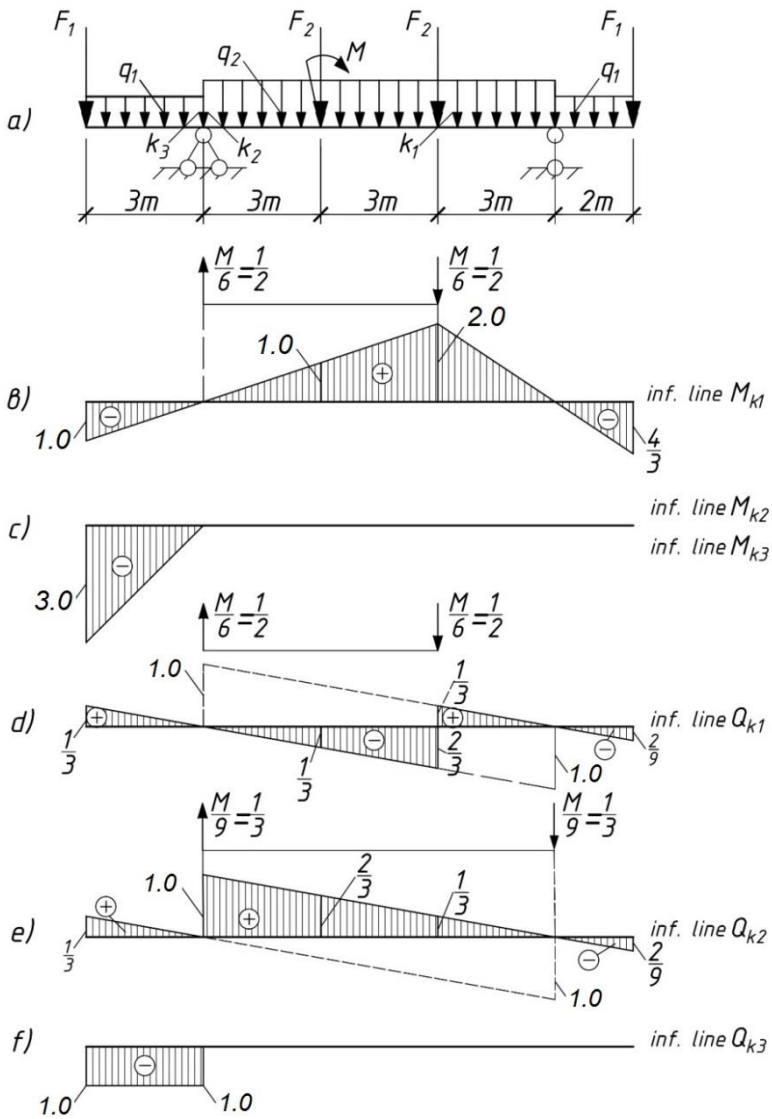


Figure 3.12

Example. Using influence lines to determine bending moments and shear forces in sections k_1 , k_2 and k_3 of the beam (Figure 3.12, a) with the following data:

$F_1 = 4kN$; $F_2 = 10kN$; $q_1 = 2kN/m$; $q_2 = 5kN/m$; $M = 3kNm$. The cross-section k_2 is infinitely close to the support A on the right-hand, the cross-section k_3 is infinitely close to the support A on the left-hand.

The influence lines for efforts are shown in Figures 3.12, b ... 3.12, e. We find the efforts:

$$M_{k_1} = 4 \cdot (-1) + 4 \cdot (-4/3) + 10 \cdot 1 + 10 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot (-1/2 \cdot 1 \cdot 3) + 2 \cdot (-1/2 \cdot 2 \cdot 4/3) + 5 \cdot 1/2 \cdot 2 \cdot 9 - 1/2 \cdot 0 + 1/2 \cdot 2 = 61kNm;$$

$$M_{k_2} = M_{k_3} = 4 \cdot (-3) + 2 \cdot (-1/2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3) = -21kNm;$$

$$Q_{k_1}^{left} = 4 \cdot 1/3 + 4 \cdot (-2/9) + 10 \cdot (-1/3) + 10 \cdot 1/3 + 2 \cdot (1/2 \cdot 1/3 \cdot 3) + 2 \cdot (-1/2 \cdot 2/9 \cdot 2) + 5 \cdot (-1/2 \cdot 2/3 \cdot 6 + 1/2 \cdot 1/3 \cdot 3) - 1/2 \cdot 0 + 1/2 \cdot (-2/3) = -6.833kN;$$

$$Q_{k_1}^{right} = 4 \cdot 1/3 + 4 \cdot (-2/9) + 10 \cdot (-1/3) + 10 \cdot (-2/3) + 2 \cdot (1/2 \cdot 1/3 \cdot 3) + 2 \cdot (-1/2 \cdot 2/9 \cdot 2) + 5 \cdot (-1/2 \cdot 2/3 \cdot 6 + 1/2 \cdot 1/3 \cdot 3) - 1/2 \cdot 0 + 1/2 \cdot (-2/3) = -16.833kN;$$

$$Q_{k_2} = 4 \cdot 1/3 + 4 \cdot (-2/9) + 10 \cdot 2/3 + 10 \cdot 1/3 + 2 \cdot (1/2 \cdot 1/3 \cdot 3) + 2 \cdot (-1/2 \cdot 2/9 \cdot 2) + 5 \cdot (1/2 \cdot 1 \cdot 9) - 1/3 \cdot 1 + 1/3 \cdot 0 = 33.167kN;$$

$$Q_{k_3} = -4 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot (-1 \cdot 3) = -10kN.$$

Note. Other factors can be defined similarly if the corresponding influence lines are constructed for them.

Let us turn to Figure 3.3, which shows influence line of the vertical displacement of the beam's point with a coordinate $x = 7.5m$.

Using the displacements given in Table 3.1 for characteristic points, we find an approximating polynomial that describes the outline of influence line and the first derivative of it:

$$p(x) = [1.59222x - 0.130259x^2 + 0.0190617x^3 - 0.0115391x^4 + 0.000768176x^5] \frac{1}{EI}.$$

$$\frac{dp(x)}{dx} = [1.59222 - 0.260519x + 0.0571852x^2 - 0.0461564x^3 + 0.00384088x^4] \frac{1}{EI}.$$

Consider loading a beam with a uniformly distributed load and a concentrated moment at a point $x = 7.5\text{ m}$ (Figure 3.13).

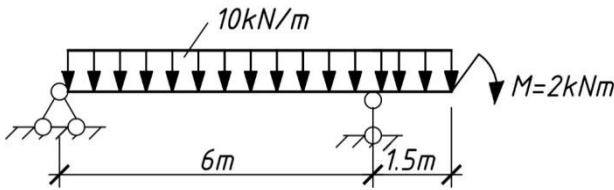


Figure 3.13

Find the displacement, knowing the outline of influence line and the first derivative:

$$Z_{x=7.5}^{vert} = q\omega + M \frac{dy}{dx} = q \int_0^{7.5} p(x) dx + M \frac{dp(x)}{dx}$$

$$\int_0^{7.5} p(x) dx = 9.5625 \frac{1}{EI}; \quad \frac{dp(x)}{dx}_{x=7.5} = -4.46444 \frac{1}{EI}$$

$$Z_{x=7.5}^{vert} = 10 \cdot \frac{9.5625}{EI} - 2 \cdot \frac{4.46444}{EI} = \frac{86.6961}{EI}$$

3.5. Influence Lines for Efforts in Case of the Nodal Transfer of the Load

Consider the construction design scheme shown in Figure 3.14, a. The main bearing element of this scheme is the beam AB. It is called the main beam. The main beam bears cross beams. They are presented on the design scheme in the form of support rods for short longitudinal beams located at the upper level. Short beams are essentially flooring performed in the simplest case of planks. The load (force $F = 1$ is shown on the design scheme) applied to the upper short beams is transferred to the main beam at specific points, which are called nodes.

Hence the name follows: nodal transfer of the load.

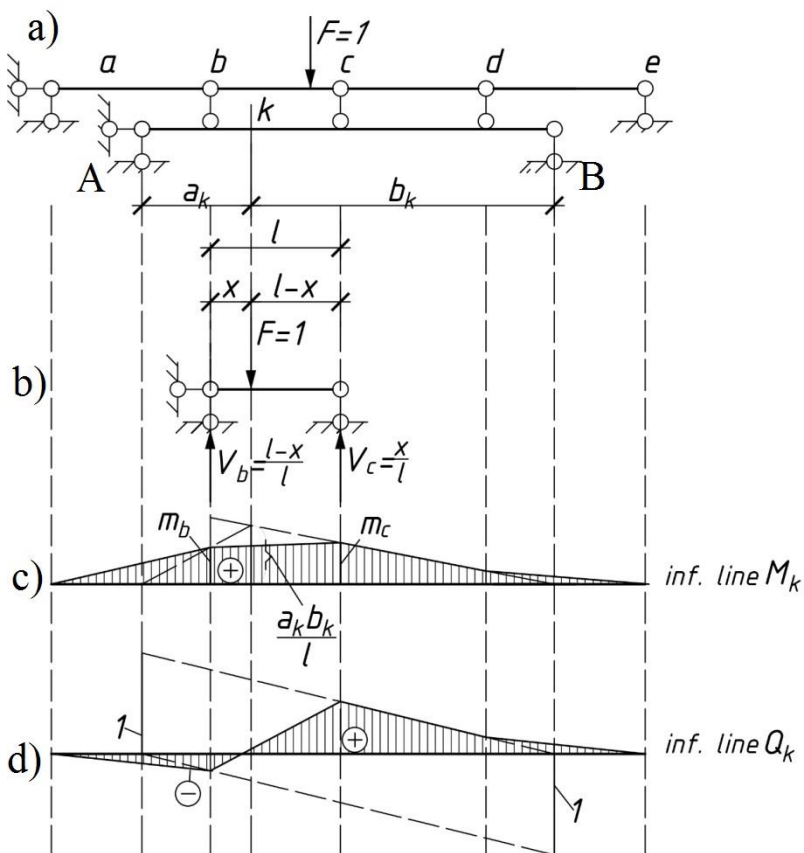


Figure 3.14

Nodal transfer of the load is used frequently in constructions. This takes place in arches with a superstructure, when transferring the load to the nodes of the trusses through the ribbed slabs of the roof (or floor) and in other cases.

We show features of influence lines construction in case of nodal transfer of the load. Firstly, we construct influence line for bending moment in the cross-section k under the assumption that the superstructure above the main beam is absent and the force moves directly upon the main beam (Figure 3.14, c).

The force $F = 1$ located on the beam bc (Figure 3.14, b) causes the reactions

$$V_b = \frac{l-x}{l} \quad \text{and} \quad V_c = \frac{x}{l}$$

Considering them as the forces of interaction between the beam bc and the beam AB , we obtain the loading of the beam AB . By formula 3.7 we find the moment in the cross-section k :

$$M_k = \frac{l-x}{l} m_b + \frac{x}{l} m_c .$$

The equation of the line passing through the points:

$$x=0 \quad M_k = m_b; \quad x=l \quad M_k = m_c ,$$

is obtained.

Consequently, the location of the force $F = 1$ on the beam bc corresponds to a straight line (it is also called a transfer line) passing through the tops with the ordinates $x=0$ and $x=l$ of the previously constructed influence line M_k . A similar result will be obtained when the force moves upon the other beams of the upper structure: on the section of each beam, influence line for effort will be straight.

So, to construct the influence line for an effort S with the nodal transfer of the load, you must:

- construct the influence line for an effort S as if the moving unit load would be applied directly to the main beam.
- transfer the nodes on the constructed influence line S and obtain the ordinates on it;
- connect the tops of the ordinates with straight lines.

Figures 3.14, c, d show the influence lines for M_k and Q_k .

3.6. Construction of the Influence Lines for Efforts in Multi-Span Beams

With the known interactive scheme of a multi-span beam, the construction of influence line for effort S starts with the beam to which analyzed factor belongs. Plotting is performed by the static or kinematic method. Having received the influence line for this beam, we should continue the construction for the adjacent upward beam, that is, we should consider the position of the force $F = 1$ on it. The ordinate of influence line in the hinge connecting the lower and upper beams is the same. The second ordinate on the upper beam is equal to zero and is located above the support of this beam, since the force $F = 1$ is above the support, the effort $S = 0$. Having two known ordinates, we show the position of the line along the entire length of the beam. The process of constructing is repeated for all upward beams.

Figure 3.15 shows the influence lines for the efforts in a multi-span beam.

3.7. Determining the Most Unfavorable Position of Moving Loads with Influence Lines

The most unfavorable position of a moving load upon the structure is the position in which the considered effort reaches its maximum (extreme) value.

3.7.1. Concentrated force action

Consider the case when there is **one single concentrated force F** on the beam (Figure 3.16). Influence line for the effort S is built. For any position of the force on the beam, the effort S will be calculated by the formula (3.7): $S = F y$. The effort will be maximum if the force $F = const$ is located above the maximum ordinate of influence: $S_{\max} = F y_{\max}$. It is clear that $S_{\min} = F y_{\min}$.

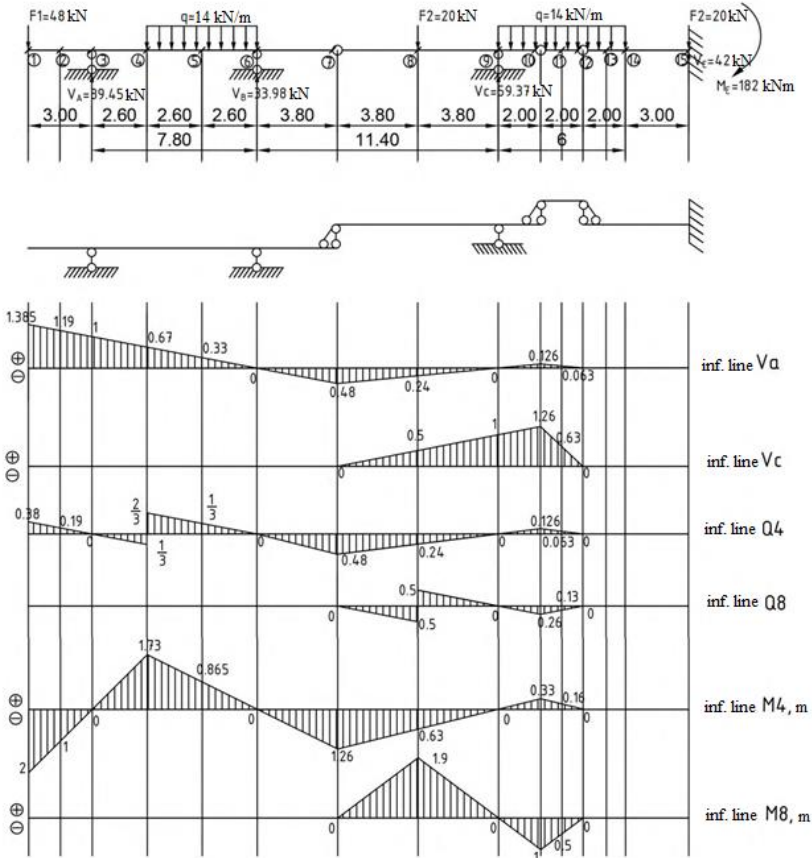


Figure 3.15

3.7.2. Action of a Set of Connected Concentrated Loads

The set of connected moving loads, shown in figure 3.17, simulates the pressure of train wheels or other transport. The distance between the forces does not change when the train moves. All forces are located on a certain section of the triangular influence line (Figure 3.17, b). The force F_i is located on the left, at a very small distance from the vertex of the influence line.

The effort S from the shown load is calculated by the formula (3.7):

$$S = F_1 y_1 + F_2 y_2 + \dots + F_i y_i + \dots + F_n y_n.$$

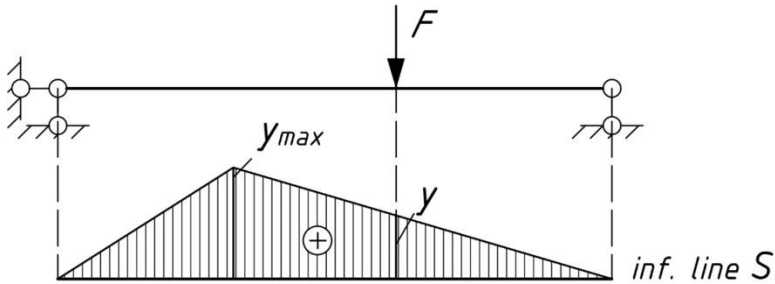


Figure 3.16

When the train moves, all ordinates $y = y(x)$ are variable.

Consequently, the effort $S = S(x)$ is also variable. We are looking for the extremum of the function $S(x)$.

The first derivative of S has the form:

$$\frac{dS}{dx} = F_1 \frac{dy_1}{dx} + F_2 \frac{dy_2}{dx} + \dots + F_i \frac{dy_i}{dx} + \dots + F_n \frac{dy_n}{dx} = (R_{left} + F_i) \operatorname{tg} \alpha - R_{right} \operatorname{tg} \beta,$$

where $\frac{dy_1}{dx} = \frac{dy_2}{dx} = \dots = \frac{dy_i}{dx} = \operatorname{tg} \alpha, \frac{dy_n}{dx} = \operatorname{tg}(\pi - \beta) = -\operatorname{tg} \beta.$

R_{left} — is the resultant of forces located to the left of the force F_i (on influence line of length a),

R_{right} — is the resultant of forces located to the right of the vertex of the influence line.

The function $S(x)$ is not smooth, when the force F_i is transferred to a portion of the right branch of influence line, the first derivative $\frac{dy_i}{dx}$ changes sign from “plus” to “minus” in form of a break of the first kind.

Therefore, you cannot use equality $\frac{dS}{dx} = 0$ to calculate the extreme value S .

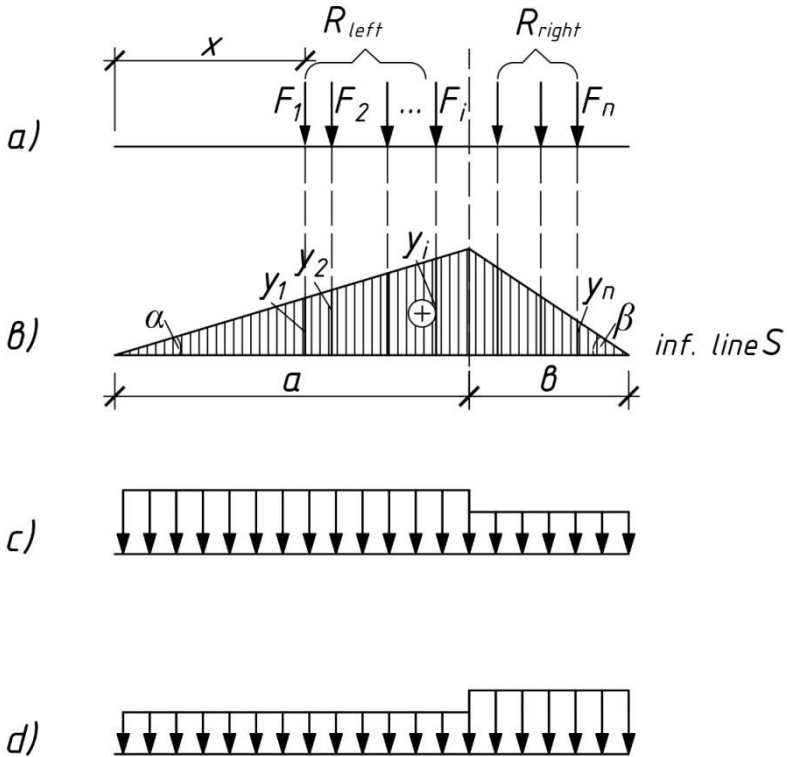


Figure 3.17

A note on the change of the first derivative sign means that the extreme value S will be observed when one of the concentrated forces is located above the top of the influence line. Suppose this happens when a force F_i is located above the vertex of the influence line. Then this force is called critical and is denoted as follows: $F_{kp} = F_i$.

The condition for determining the critical force is written in the form of two inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} (R_{left} + F_{cr})tg\alpha &\geq R_{right}tg\beta; \\ R_{left}tg\alpha &\leq (R_{right} + F_{cr})tg\beta. \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

If both inequalities are satisfied simultaneously, then F_i is a critical force, and the corresponding load position is called the unfavorable one (estimated). If inequalities are not satisfied at the same time, then we must assume that another force will be critical and verify that the criterion (3.11) is satisfied.

Inequalities (3.11) can be given a graphical interpretation. It is given that $tg\alpha = \frac{c}{a}$, $tg\beta = \frac{c}{b}$, inequalities show the ratio of equivalent uniformly distributed loads on the left-hand and right-hand sections of influence line (Figure 3.17, d).

The action of **two related forces** (Figure 3.18) can be regarded as a special case of the considered load case. In all the loads considered in the example, the movement of the load from right to left is received.

For the first loading (Figure 3.18, b) $S_{\max}^{(1)} = F_1y_1 + F_2y_2$; for the second loading (Figure 3.18, c) $S_{\max}^{(2)} = F_1y_3 + F_2y_1$.

From the found values of the efforts, we select the larger one $S_{\max} = \max\{S_{\max}^{(1)}, S_{\max}^{(2)}\}$ and obtain information of the position of the load is the unfavorable one and its force is critical.

For the third loading (Figure 3.18, d) $S_{\min}^{(3)} = F_1y_4 + F_2y_5$; for the fourth loading — $S_{\min}^{(4)} = F_1y_5$, if the position of force F_2 outside the beam is possible.

Further, from the found values of the efforts, we choose the smaller one $S_{\min} = \min\{S_{\min}^{(3)}, S_{\min}^{(4)}\}$. Then, from the found values of the efforts, we choose the smaller one. The position of the load at which the effort will be minimal is the unfavorable.

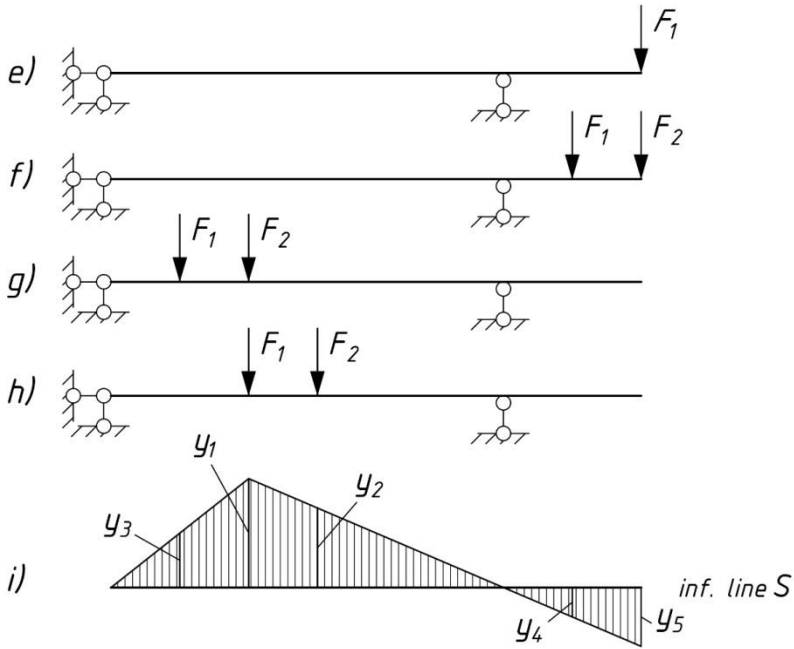


Figure 3.18

3.8. Influence Matrices for Internal Forces

We define an effort S_k in the cross-section k of the beam (Figure 3.19) caused by the concentrated forces F_i ($i=1, \dots, n$) applied to that beam. For a linearly deformable system, any internal force S_k in the cross-section k , ($k = \overline{1, m}$) can be determined by the expression:

$$S_k = s_{k1}F_1 + s_{k2}F_2 + \dots + s_{kn}F_n, \quad (3.12)$$

where s_{ki} — is the effort in cross-section k due to $F_i = 1$.

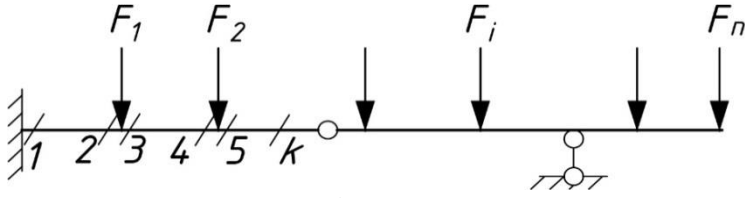


Figure 3.19

We represent expression (3.12) in the expanded form for $k = \overline{1, m}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1 &= s_{11}F_1 + s_{12}F_2 + \dots + s_{1n}F_n; \\
 S_2 &= s_{21}F_1 + s_{22}F_2 + \dots + s_{2n}F_n; \\
 &\dots \\
 S_m &= s_{m1}F_1 + s_{m2}F_2 + \dots + s_{mn}F_n;
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.13}$$

In matrix form, the system of equations (3.13) has the following form:

$$\vec{S} = L_S \vec{F}.
 \tag{3.14}$$

Here \vec{S} is a vector of effort; \vec{F} — a load vector; L_S — an influence matrix for the efforts \vec{S} :

$$\vec{S} = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 \\ S_2 \\ \dots \\ S_m \end{bmatrix}; \quad \vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \\ \dots \\ F_n \end{bmatrix}; \quad L_S = \begin{bmatrix} s_{11} & s_{12} & \dots & s_{1n} \\ s_{21} & s_{22} & \dots & s_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ s_{m1} & s_{m2} & \dots & s_{mn} \end{bmatrix}.
 \tag{3.15}$$

Influence matrix L_S is a linear operator that transforms the load vector into the efforts vector.

If bending moments are determined, then the matrix L_S is denoted L_M and is called the influence matrix of bending moments. In this case, equations (3.14) are written in the form:

$$\vec{M} = L_M \vec{F}
 \tag{3.16}$$

where \vec{M} — is a vector of bending moments in the calculated sections, and the matrix is written as follows:

$$L_M = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & \dots & m_{1n} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & \dots & m_{2n} \\ \dots & & & \\ m_{m1} & m_{m2} & \dots & m_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.17)$$

In the general case, this matrix is rectangular; its dimension is $(m \times n)$. In the case when concentrated forces are applied in the calculated sections, the matrix L_M is a square matrix of order n

Since m_{ki} is the bending moment in the cross-section k caused by the force $F_i = 1$, then, analyzing the matrix L_M , we notice that in each of its row the ordinates of the corresponding influence lines of the bending moments are recorded. For example, in the second row of the matrix L_M the **ordinates of influence line M_2** are recorded.

In the second column of the matrix L_M , the **ordinates of the bending moments diagram M_2** , calculated in the regarded cross-sections of the beam loaded by the dimensionless force $\bar{F}_2 = 1$, are recorded.

Consequently, the influence matrix can be formed in two ways: 1) by columns - using single force diagrams; 2) by rows - using influence lines for efforts.

When calculating the transverse and longitudinal forces, the equations have the form:

$$\vec{Q} = L_Q \vec{F} \quad (3.18)$$

$$\vec{N} = L_N \vec{F} \quad (3.19)$$

In equations (3.18) and (3.19) L_Q and L_N are the influence matrices, respectively, of shear and longitudinal forces.

Note that when forming the influence matrix of shear forces L_Q , the calculating cross-sections must be taken to the left-hand and to the right-hand of each concentrated force.

Generally, a beam or other structure can be loaded not only with concentrated forces, but also with distributed loads or concentrated moments. It is possible to construct a matrix of influence that takes into account these types of loads. However, the computational process in this case will become more complicated, the universal character of the computational algorithm will be lost. Therefore, it is recommended that such loads should be converted by bringing them to equivalent concentrated forces according to the general rules of mechanics. When using the load nodal transfer method for this purpose, the position of the nodes is assigned depending on the features of the given load. The spacing of the nodes may be regular or irregular. With a small step length, the accuracy of the calculation increases, but the dimension of the problem increases. In addition to the nodes in the spans of beams, their location above the hinges and supports should be provided.

Example 3.2. For the beam shown in Figure 3.20, a, we compose the influence matrix of bending moments, calculate bending moments in the calculated sections, plot the diagrams of bending moments caused by the given load and the equivalent concentrated load, compare them.

The positions of the cross-sections are shown in the beam scheme. With a formal approach to the calculation, the position of the required cross-sections should be assigned not only in the spans of the beam, but also where obviously known that bending moments are equal to zero (in this example, cross-sections 1, 5, 9). The load converted to concentrated forces is shown in Figure 3.20, b. The influence matrix of bending moments will have the order (9x9):

$$L_M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4/3 & 2/3 & 0 & -1/2 & -1/3 & -1/6 & 0 & 2/9 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 4/3 & 0 & -1 & -2/3 & -1/3 & 0 & 4/9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3/2 & -1 & -1/2 & 0 & 2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 & 0 & -2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 1 & 0 & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The explanations for the matrix formation: the values of the ordinates of the **diagram** M_9 (Figure 3.20, d) are recorded in the ninth **column** of the matrix, the values of the ordinates of the **influence line** for M_2 (Figure 3.20, d) are recorded in the second **row**.

Performing the load transformation, we get the vector of concentrated forces in the form:

$$\bar{F} = [F_1; F_2; F_3; F_4; F_5; F_6; F_7; F_8; F_9]^T = [0; 45; 45; 17.5; 15; 35; 35; 17.5; 10]^T \text{ kH.}$$

Having preliminary information that the bending moments are equal to zero in sections 1, 5, and 9, we can delete the corresponding rows of the matrix L_M . Since the concentrated forces above the supports do not affect the outline of the diagram of moments, columns 1, 4, and 8 can be deleted in the matrix. As a result, we obtain a matrix L_M of size (6x6):

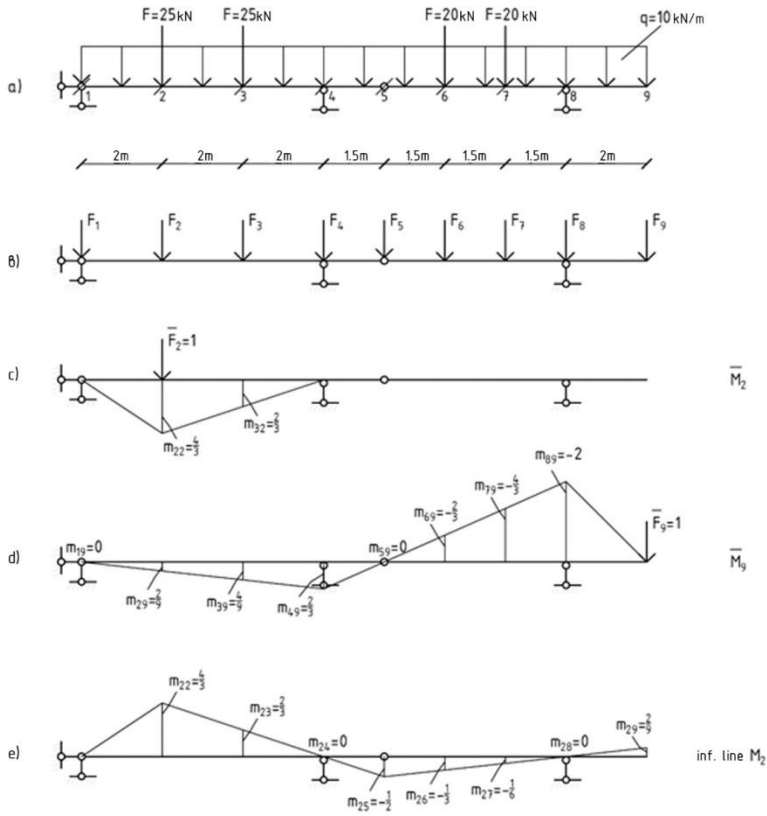


Figure 3.20

$$L_M = \begin{bmatrix} 4/3 & 2/3 & -1/2 & -1/3 & -1/6 & 2/9 \\ 2/3 & 4/3 & -1 & -2/3 & -1/3 & 4/9 \\ 0 & 0 & -3/2 & -1 & -1/2 & 2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 & -2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 1 & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The corresponding load vector has the form:

$$\vec{F} = [F_2; F_3; F_5; F_6; F_7; F_9]^T = [45, 45, 15, 35, 35, 10]^T \text{ kH.}$$

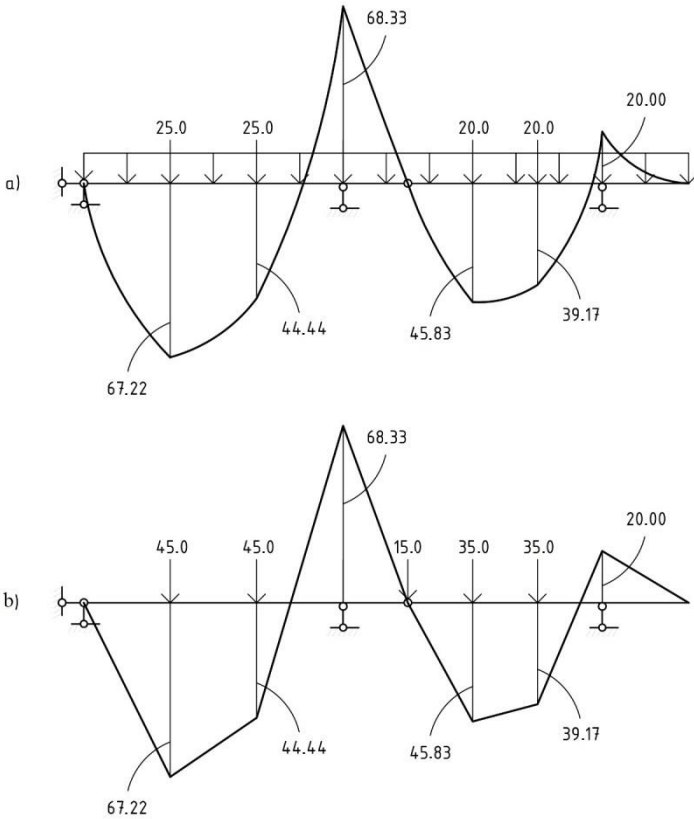


Figure 3.21

The vector of bending moments in the cross-sections is calculated by the formula (3.16):

$$\vec{M} = [M_2; M_3; M_4; M_6; M_7; M_8]^T = [67.22; 44.44; -68.33; 45.83; 39.17; 20.00]^T \text{ kHm.}$$

Figure 3.21,a shows the diagrams of bending moments in the beam with a given load. Figure 3.21,b shows one in the beam with a converted load. The ordinates in the considering cross-sections are the same.

THEME 4. CALCULATING OF THREE-HINGED ARCHES AND FRAMES

4.1. General Information and Principles of Creation

A system consisting of two disks interconnected by a hinge and joined with the ground using immovable hinged supports is called a three-hinged system (Figure 4.1).

Three-hinged systems where discs are represented by polygonal bars are called three-hinged frames (Figure 4.2).

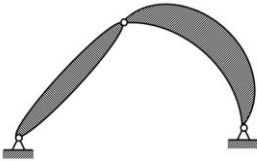


Figure 4.1

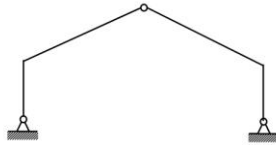


Figure 4.2

Three-hinged systems where the disks are represented by curved bars are called three-hinged arches (Figure 4.3). According to their shape, arches are divided into circular, parabolic, sinusoidal, etc. arches.

Three-hinged systems are formed by the triangles method. Therefore, they are geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate. All three-hinged systems belong to the class of thrusting systems (Figures 1.24, 4.1, ..., 4.3).

To eliminate the effect of the horizontal pressure due to the thrust on the underlying structures, the supporting hinges of the three-hinge systems can be connected by horizontal hinged rods or ties. In such cases, one of the supports should be hinged movable. For example, a three-hinged arch with a tie (or a tigtrope) at the level of the supports is shown at Figure 4.4.

Three-hinged arches with a tie are externally non-thrusting systems. A vertical loads cause only vertical reactions in supports of such arches.

Arches with an elevated (Figure 4.5) or polygonal complex tie (Figure 4.6) are applied in order to rationally use the space under the arches.



Illustration 4.1. Construction of a hangar from wooden three-hinged arches

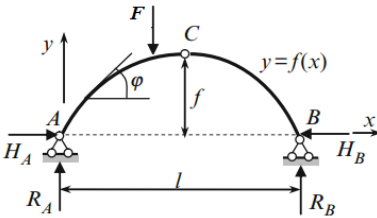


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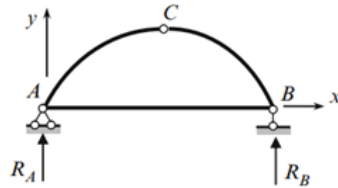


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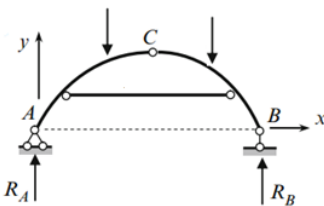


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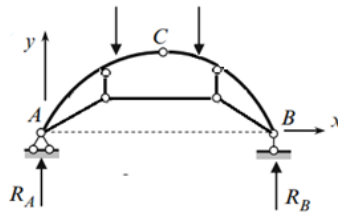


Figure 4.6

4.2. Determining Reactions and Internal Forces in Three-Hinged Arches

Consider a symmetrical three-hinged arch with supports at the same level, loaded with vertical force (Figure 4.7, a).

We compose the equilibrium equation in the form of the sum of the projections of all external forces on the horizontal axis:

$$\sum X = H_A - H_B = 0.$$

From this equilibrium equation it follows that:

$$H_A = H_B = H.$$

That is, the horizontal reactions of the three-hinged arch with the vertical load are opposite in direction, identical in value and equal to the unknown value of H . This value of H and the horizontal reactions themselves are called the three-hinged arch thrust.

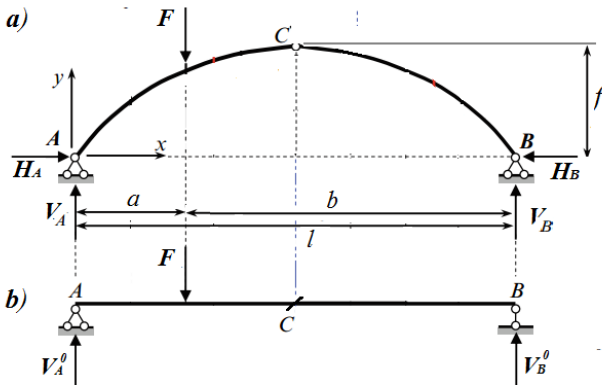


Figure 4.7

Three reactions of the arch: V_A , H_A and H_B , intersect at the support point A. Therefore, the vertical reaction V_B of the arch can be determined from the sum of the moments of all external forces relative to this point A.

$$\Sigma M_A = Fa - V_B l = 0, \text{ from } V_B = \frac{Fa}{l} = V_B^0.$$

The resulting expression for determining the vertical reaction V_B of the arch (Figure 4.7, a) is completely equivalent to the expression that can be obtained for determining the vertical reaction of a simple single-span articulated beam (Figure 4.7, b). Such a beam is called equivalent relative to the arch. An equivalent beam has the same span and the same vertical load as the arch.

Accordingly, from the sum of all external forces moments relative to the support point B , the vertical reaction V_A of the support A can be found.

$$\Sigma M_B = V_A l - F(l - a) = 0, \text{ from } V_A = \frac{F(l - a)}{l} = V_A^0.$$

Consequently, the vertical reactions of the three-hinged arch under vertical load are equal to the vertical reactions of the equivalent beam. Therefore, vertical reactions of the arch are often referred to as beam reactions. And this is true with arbitrary vertical load.

Three independent equilibrium equations have already been used to determine the support reactions of the arch. The equilibrium equation in the form of the sum of all external forces projections on the vertical axis is usually used to verify the correctness of the vertical reactions calculation.

$$\Sigma Y = V_A + V_B - F = 0.$$

There is just a need to find the value H of the arch thrust. To determine the arch thrust, we will use the distinguishing property of the arch compared to the equivalent beam. In the intermediate hinge C of the arch (Figure 4.7, a) there is no bending moment. There is no hinge in the corresponding cross-section of the equivalent beam, and the bending moment in this cross-section of the beam (Figure 4.7, b), in the general case, is not equal to zero.

Therefore, defining the bending moment in the hinge C of the arch as the sum of the moments relative to this cross-section of all external

forces, for example, located to the left of it, we must equate the resulting expression to zero.

$$M_C = \Sigma M_C^{left} = V_A \frac{l}{2} - F\left(\frac{l}{2} - a\right) - Hf = 0.$$

Taking into account, that

$$V_A \frac{l}{2} - F\left(\frac{l}{2} - a\right) = M_C^0,$$

where M_C^0 is the bending moment in the cross-section C of the equivalent beam, we can eventually find the thrust H .

$$H = \frac{M_C^0}{f}.$$

Thus, the arch thrust is directly proportional to the beam bending moment in cross-section C of the equivalent beam and inversely proportional to the rise of the arch in the intermediate hinge.

To check the calculated thrust value, the beam bending moment in the cross-section C is usually calculated once again through the sum of the moments of external forces applied to the beam to the right of this section. For our example, it is possible to write

$$M_C^0 = -\Sigma M_C^{right} = V_B \frac{l}{2}.$$

After calculating the support reactions, the determination of the internal forces in the cross-sections of three-hinged arches is usually carried out by the section method, as in any other bars systems.

Consider the features of applying the section method to a three-hinged arch with supports at the same level (Figure 4.7, a). To do this, we cut the arch at some cross-section $x-x$ and consider the equilibrium of the left-hand part (Figure 4.8). The action of the discarded right-hand part is replaced by

three internal forces: bending moment M_x , transversal force Q_x , and longitudinal (normal) force N_x .

The bending moment M_x in the cross-section $x-x$ of the arch is calculated as the sum of the moments of only external forces acting on the left part of the arch relative to the center of gravity of the cross-section $x-x$ of the arch

$$M_x = \sum M_x^{left} = V_A x - F(x - a_{Fi}) - H y$$

Taking in to account, that

$$V_A x - F(x - a) = M_x^0,$$

where M_x^0 is the bending moment in the cross-section $x-x$ of the equivalent beam (Figure 4.7,b), the bending moment in the cross-section $x-x$ of the arch may be finally found using a formula:

$$M_x = M_x^0 - H y.$$

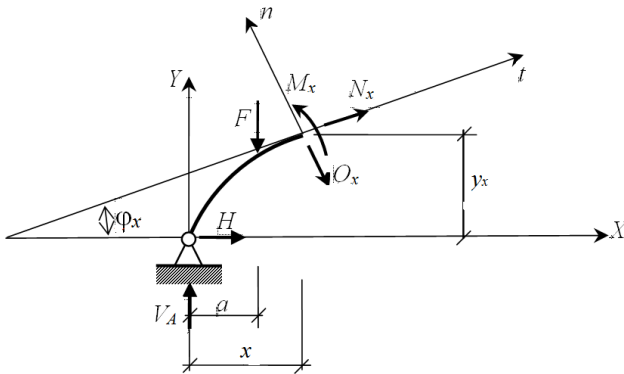


Figure 4.8

The obtained expression shows that the bending moments in the arch are less than the bending moments in the equivalent beam.

It is possible to say that bending moments in the arch have been obtained by algebraic summation of the bending moments in the equivalent beam and

the bending moments in the arch, caused by the action of the thrust H only that is seen as two mutually balanced forces applied to the curvilinear bar. The diagram of bending moments due to only the thrust repeats the outline of the arch axis, while the thrust itself serves as a proportionality coefficient.

The bending moments in the beam due to a vertically downward directed load are always positive. Bending moments in the arch from a thrust directed inside the span are always negative. Therefore, the thrust creates an unloading effect for the arch.

We find the transversal force in the $x-x$ section of the arch from the sum of the projections of all the forces applied to the left part of the arch (Figure 4.8), normal to the axis of the arch in the section under consideration. Solving the resulting equation relative to Q_x , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} Q_x &= V_A \cos \varphi_x - F \cos \varphi_x - H \sin \varphi_x = \\ &= (V_A - F) \cos \varphi_x - H \sin \varphi_x, \end{aligned}$$

or

$$Q_x = Q_x^0 \cos \varphi_x - H \sin \varphi_x.$$

Thus, the transversal force in the cross-sections of the arch is expressed through the projection of the beam transversal force Q_x^0 in the corresponding cross-section of the equivalent beam and the projection of the thrust H on the normal to the arch axis in the considered cross-section of the arch.

Similarly, from the sum of the projections of all the forces on the axis tangent to the axis of the arch in section $x-x$, we find the longitudinal force in this section of the arch

$$\begin{aligned} N_x &= -V_A \sin \varphi_x + F \sin \varphi_x - H \cos \varphi_x = \\ &= -(V_A - F) \sin \varphi_x - H \cos \varphi_x, \end{aligned}$$

or

$$N_x = -Q_x^0 \sin \varphi_x - H \cos \varphi_x.$$

The longitudinal force in the cross-section of the arch is also expressed through the projection of the beam transversal force Q_x^0 in the corresponding cross-section of the equivalent beam and the projection of the thrust H on the tangent to the arch axis in this cross-section of the arch.

Compared with simple beams in three-hinged arches, the transversal forces, as well as bending moments, are much smaller. But unlike the beams, longitudinal compressive forces occur in the cross-sections of the arches. While no longitudinal forces are present in simple horizontal beams with vertical loads.

The final diagrams of the internal forces in the arch along its entire length would be curvilinear. Curvilinear diagrams, like any graphs, can be built by calculating the values of the corresponding internal forces in a number of predetermined (characteristic) cross-sections of the arch (the more sections are presented the more accurate the diagram).

Let us illustrate the definition of reactions and internal forces using the example of a circular three-hinged arch with a span of $l = 36\text{ m}$ with a rise of $f = 8\text{ m}$ (Figure 4.9). The arch is loaded with a concentrated force $F = 24\text{ kN}$ and a uniformly distributed load $q = 2\text{ kN/m}$.

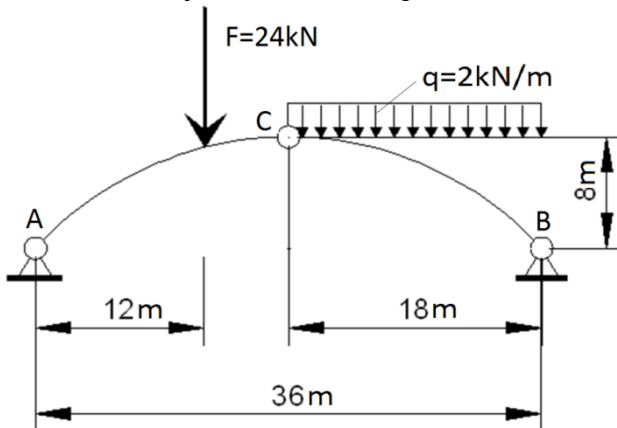


Figure 4.9

The equation of the arch axis, i.e., the equation of the circle arc passing through three points A, C and B, is described by the expression

$$y(x) = f - R + \sqrt{R^2 - \left(\frac{l}{2} - x\right)^2}.$$

The radius R of the circle and the trigonometric functions of the angle of inclination of the tangent to the axis of the arch are calculated by the formulas:

$$R = \frac{4f^2 + l^2}{8f}, \quad \sin \varphi(x) = \frac{l - 2x}{2R}, \quad \cos(x) = \frac{R - f + y}{R}.$$

The vertical reactions of the arch supports are calculated with the formulas:

$$V_A = V_A^0 = \frac{24 \cdot 24 + 2 \cdot 18 \cdot 9}{36} = 25 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_B = V_B^0 = \frac{24 \cdot 12 + 2 \cdot 18 \cdot 27}{36} = 35 \text{ kN}$$

The sum of the projections of all external forces on the vertical axis confirms the result:

$$\sum Y = 25 + 35 - 24 - 2 \cdot 18 = 60 - 60 = 0$$

In the cross-section C , the bending moment of the beam is calculated and checked:

$$M_C^0 = \sum M_C^{left} = 25 \cdot 18 - 24 \cdot 6 = 306 \text{ kNm},$$

$$M_C^0 = -\sum M_C^{right} = 35 \cdot 18 - 2 \cdot 18 \cdot 9 = 306 \text{ kNm}.$$

Then the arch thrust is calculated:

$$H = \frac{M_C^0}{f} = \frac{306}{8} = 38.25 \text{ kN}.$$

To plot the diagrams of the internal forces it is necessary to assign characteristic arch cross-sections. Firstly, these are the supports A and B

and the intermediate hinge C. Secondly, these are the point of application of concentrated force and the beginning and the end of the arch segment where the distributed load acts. Thirdly, these are additional intermediate cross-sections necessary for constructing curvilinear segments of the diagrams with sufficient accuracy. In this example, there are at least seven of these characteristic points.

They are located along the arch span in increments of 6 m. To plot the diagrams of the transversal and longitudinal forces at the point of application of the concentrated external force, it is necessary to consider two infinitely close points: one to the left of the application point of the external force, the second to the right of this point. At this cross-section, there will be a jump on the indicated diagrams of the internal forces, and a fracture on the diagram of bending moments. When constructing diagrams of internal forces and moments, it is necessary to monitor their correspondence with each other and the load. The differential dependencies between bending moments, transversal forces, and the load must be fulfilled.

To determine the geometric characteristics of the arch, calculate the value of the arch axis radius

$$R = \frac{4 \cdot 8^2 + 36^2}{8 \cdot 8} = 24.25 \text{ m.}$$

All further calculations are summarized in the following tables. Calculations in tables can be performed on a calculator, plotting manually, using patterns and other drawing tools. But it is possible to use computers: universal mathematical and engineering software, programming languages, tabular and graphic editors and other modern software tools that automate the process of computing and plotting graphic objects.

Table 4.1

Calculation of bending moments in a three-hinged arch

№sec	x	Y	M_x^0	$-Hy$	M_x
A	0	0	0	0	0
1	6	4.823	150	-184.47	-34.47
2	12	7.246	300	-277.16	22.84

<i>C</i>	18	8.000	306	-306.00	0
<i>3</i>	24	7.426	276	-277.16	-1.16
<i>4</i>	30	4.823	174	-184.47	-10.47
<i>B</i>	36		0	0	0

So, to build the below diagrams of internal forces in the arch, modern software was used that automates the process of performing calculations and graphing. The diagram of bending moments (Figure 4.10), the diagram of transversal forces (Figure 4.11) and the diagram of longitudinal forces (Figure 4.12), are built on the horizontal projection of the arch axis using the graphic software. Of course, the number of characteristic cross-sections along the span has to be significantly increased.

As shown in Table 4.1, bending moments in a three-hinged circular arch at a given load are an order of magnitude smaller than bending moments in an equivalent beam. In the support joints and in the intermediate joint, the bending moments in the arch are equal to zero. At the point of application of concentrated force on the diagram of bending moments in the arch, a “beak”-type fracture is observed. On the diagrams of the transversal and longitudinal forces, there are jump discontinuities of the first type: $F \cos \varphi_2$ on the transversal forces diagram Q and $F \sin \varphi_2$ on the longitudinal forces diagram N .

At the points where the transversal forces diagram passes through zero, there are the extremums on the diagram of bending moments. At the point where the segment of the distributed load begins, there is a fracture on the diagram of the transversal forces. In areas where the transversal forces diagram is ascending, the bending moments diagram is convex up. In areas where the transversal forces diagram is downward, the bending moments diagram is convex down.

Such conclusions follow from the differential dependences known from the resistance of materials, according to which the transversal force in the cross-sections of the arch is the first derivative along the length of the arch arc from the function of bending moments. And the load is the first derivative from the transversal force function.

Table 4.2

Arch parameters for calculation of the
transversal and longitudinal forces in the arch

$N\dot{z}$ sec	x	$\sin \varphi_x$	$\cos \varphi_x$	Q_x^0
A	0	0.7423	0.6701	25
1	6	0.4948	0.8690	25
2_{left}	12	0.2474	0.9689	25
2_{right}	12	0.2474	0.9689	1
C	18	0	1	1
4	24	-0.2474	0.9689	-11
5	30	-0.4948	0.8690	-23
B	36	-0.7423	0.6701	-35

Table 4.3

Calculation of the transversal and longitudinal forces

$N\dot{z}$ sec	$Q_x^0 \cos \varphi_x$	$-H \sin \varphi_x$	Q_x	$-Q_x^0 \sin \varphi_x$	$-H \cos \varphi_x$	N_x
A	16.753	-28.39	-11.639	-18,557	-25.63	-44.19
1	21.72	-18.928	2.797	-12.371	-33.24	-45.61
2_{left}	24.22	-9.464	14.756	-6.185	-37.06	-43.25
2_{right}	0.9689	-9.464	-8.495	-0.2474	-37.06	-37.31
C	1.0000	0.000	1.0000	0.0000	-38.25	-38.25
4	-10.658	9.464	-1.194	-2.722	-37.06	-39.78
5	-19.987	18.928	-1.059	-11.381	-33.24	-44.62
B	-23.45	28.39	4.94	-25.98	-25.63	-51.61

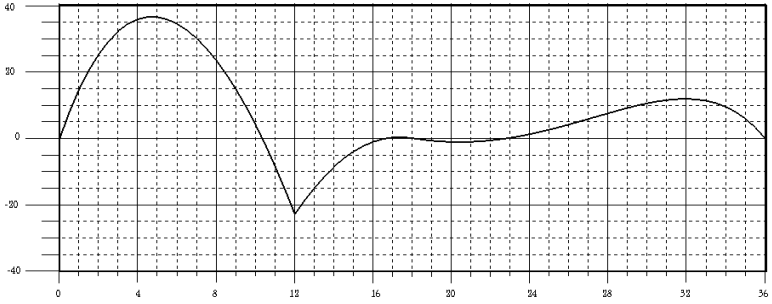


Figure 4.10. Diagram M

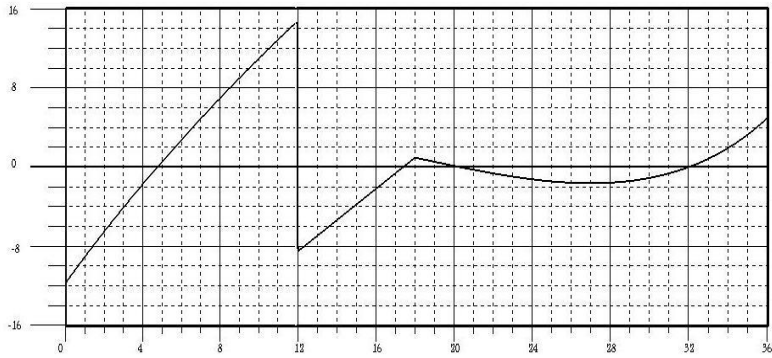


Figure 4.11. Diagram Q

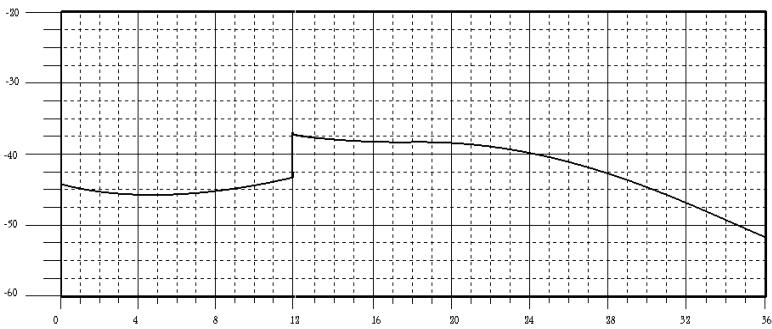


Figure 4.12. Diagram N

4.3. Calculating a Three-Hinged Arch with a Tie

Three-hinged tied arches are externally non-thrusting systems. Vertical loads cause only vertical reactions in supports of such arches. These vertical reactions are determined as in simple beams. The horizontal reaction of their immovable hinged support is equal to zero under vertical loads.

But internally such arches are thrusting systems. Their thrust is an internal longitudinal force in ties.

To determine the tightening force, it is necessary to cut an arch by a section through the key hinge of this arch. For example, in a three-hinged arch with a complex tie it is a cross-cut $I-I$ passing through the intermediate hinge C (Figure 4.13). The equilibrium equation of the left part of the arch in the form of the sum of the moments of all forces relative to the key hinge C gives a possibility to determine the arch thrust H .

$$\sum M_C^{left} = 0; \quad R_A \frac{l}{2} - H(f - f_0) = 0.$$

The first term in the resulting equation is the bending moment in section C of the equivalent beam:

$$R_A \frac{l}{2} = M_C^0.$$

Therefore, to determine the tightening force (thrust), the following expression can be obtained:

$$H = \frac{M_C^0}{f - f_0}.$$

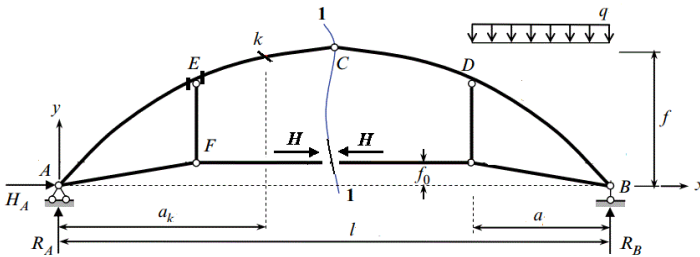


Figure 4.13

The internal forces in the other members of the complex tie and in the cross-sections of the arch may be calculated by the usual method of sections.

4.4. Influence Lines in Three-Hinged Arches

Consider an arch loaded with a single vertical force, the position of it is determined by the abscissa x_F (Figure 4.14, a). To determine the vertical support reactions, we compose the equilibrium equations in the form of sums of the moments of all the forces acting on the arch relative to the left and right supports:

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma M_A = 0; \quad 1x_F - R_B l = 0; \\ \Sigma M_B = 0; \quad -1(l - x_F) + R_A l = 0.\end{aligned}$$

From these equations we find the functions of changing the vertical support reactions depending on the position of the unit force

$$R_B = \frac{x_F}{l}; \quad R_A = \frac{l - x_F}{l}.$$

The obtained dependences of the change in the values of the support reactions completely coincide with the corresponding dependences for the support reactions of a simple two-support beam. Therefore, the influence lines for the vertical reactions (Figure 4.14, c, d) in the arch coincide with the influence lines (Inf. Lin.) for the reactions in the corresponding equivalent beam (Figure 4.14, b).

The thrust H of the arch under the action of vertical loads is determined by the expression:

$$H = \frac{M_C^0}{f}.$$

Hence

$$\text{Inf. Lin. } H = \left(\text{Inf. Lin. } M_C^0 \right) / f.$$

Thus, the influence line for the thrust in the arch is expressed through the influence line for the bending moment in the cross-section C of the equivalent beam (Figure 4.14, b, e), all ordinates of which are divided by the value of the arch rise f (Figure 4.14, f).

The influence lines of internal forces in the cross-sections of the arches will be built using the previously obtained dependencies expressing the internal forces in the arches through the corresponding internal beam forces and the arch thrust.

So the bending moment in the section K of the arch (Figure 4.14, a) is determined by the expression

$$M_K = M_K^0 - Hy_K.$$

Since the ordinate y_K of the cross-section K of the arch is constant, for the influence line for M_K we get

$$\text{Inf. Lin. } M_K = \left(\text{Inf. Lin. } M_K^0 \right) - \left(\text{Inf. Lin. } H \right) y_K.$$

In accordance with this expression, we separately construct the influence line for the bending moment $\text{Inf. Lin. } M_K^0$ in the section K of the equivalent beam (Figure 4.14, g) and the influence line for the thrust H $\text{Inf. Lin. } H$, multiplied by a factor y_K (Figure 4.14, h). Subtracting the ordinates of the second influence line from the ordinates of the first, we get the influence line for the bending moment in the section K of the arch $\text{Inf. Lin. } M_K$ (Figure 4.14, i).

The transversal force in the cross-section K of the arch is determined by the dependence

$$Q_K = Q_K^0 \cos \varphi_K - H \sin \varphi_K,$$

Therefore, the influence line for the transversal force in this arch section can be represented as follows:

$$\text{Inf. Lin. } Q_K = \left(\text{Inf. Lin. } Q_K^0 \right) \cos \varphi_K - \left(\text{Inf. Lin. } H \right) \sin \varphi_K.$$

We build the influence line for the thrust H (Figure 4.15, b), and the influence line for the transversal force in the section K of the equivalent beam (Figure 4.15, c). Then we build intermediate influence lines, multiplying all the ordinates of $Inf.Lin.Q_k^0$ on $\cos \varphi_K$ (Figure 4.15, d), and the ordinates $Inf.Lin.H$ on $\sin \varphi_K$ (Figure 4.15, e). Subtracting the ordinates of the second from the ordinates of the first influence line, we get the desired influence line for transversal force in the section K of the arch (Figure 4.15, f).

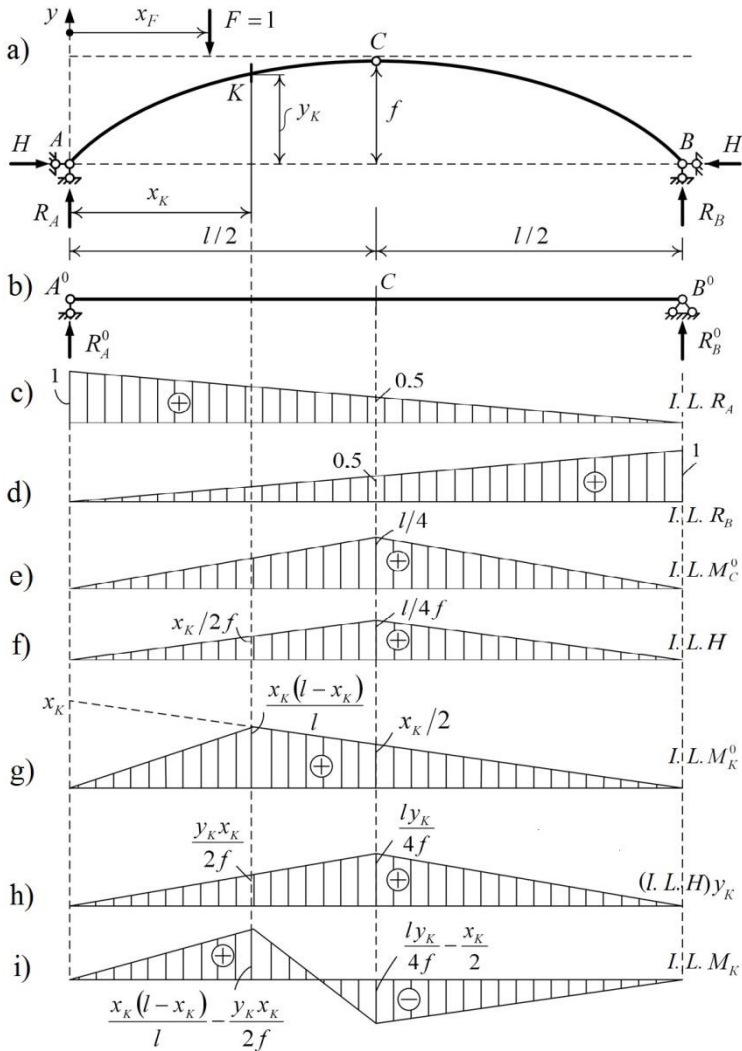


Figure 4.14

The longitudinal force in the cross-section K of the arch is determined by the dependence

$$N_K = -Q_K^0 \sin \varphi_K - H \cos \varphi_K.$$

Accordingly, the expression

$$\text{Inf.Lin.}N_K = -(\text{Inf.Lin.}Q_K^0) \sin \varphi_K - (\text{Inf.Lin.}H) \cos \varphi_K .$$

is used to construct the influence line for this longitudinal force.

By building intermediate lines of influence $(\text{Inf.Lin.}Q_K^0) \sin \varphi_K$ (Figure 4.15, g) and $(\text{Inf.Lin.}H) \cos \varphi_K$ (Figure 4.15, h), we sum up them. Changing the sign of the result to the opposite, we obtain the desired influence line for the longitudinal force in the section K of the arch (Figure 4.15, i).

4.5. The Rational Axis of the Arch

Rational is called the axis of the arch, if bending moments in the cross-sections of the arch are zeros or close to zeros.

The condition

$$M_x = M_x^0 - Hy(x) = 0$$

means that bending moments are absent in all cross sections of the arch. This condition allows you to find the equation of the rational arch axis:

$$y(x) = \frac{M_x^0}{H} .$$

Whence it follows that under the action of vertical loads the ordinates of the rational arch axis are proportional to the bending moments in the equivalent beam having the same span and the same load as the arch. The reciprocal of the thrust H is in this case a proportionality coefficient.

For an example, we define the rational axis of a three-hinged arch when a vertical, evenly distributed load acts on the arch (Figure 4.14, a).

The reactions in the arch in this case are equal

$$R_A = R_B = R = \frac{ql}{2} ; \quad H = \frac{ql^2}{8f} .$$

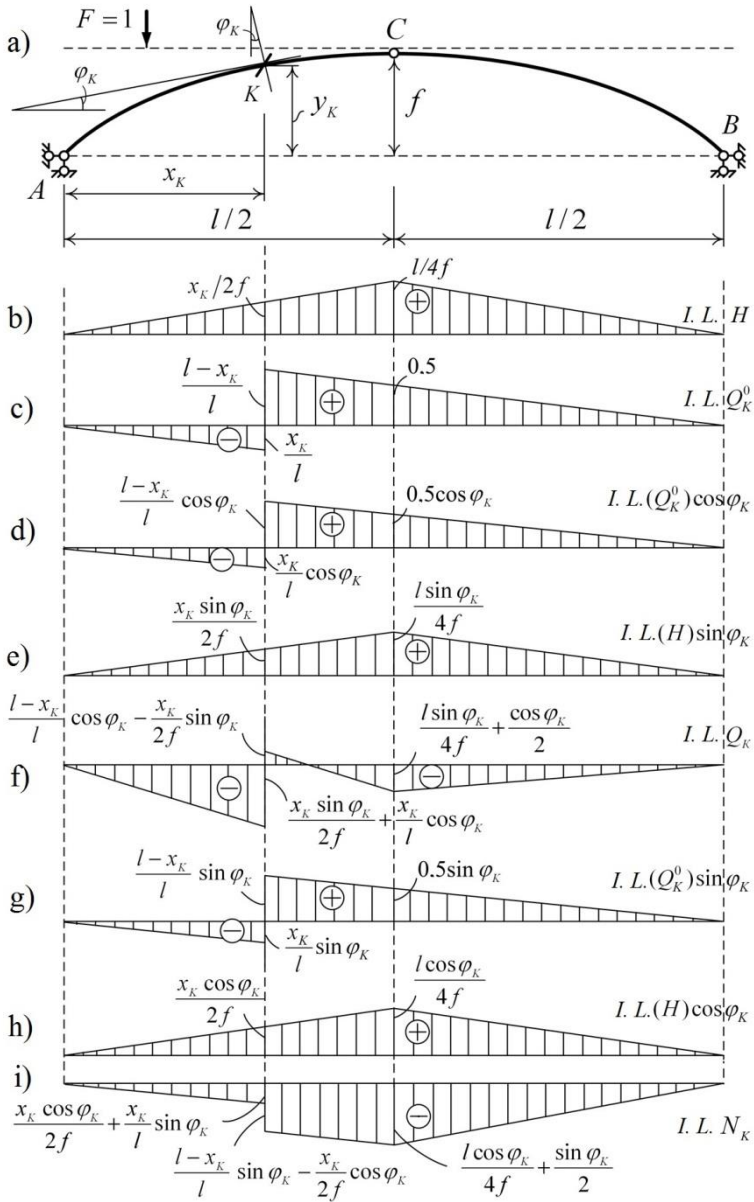


Figure 4.15

The bending moment in an arbitrary cross-section x of the equivalent beam is defined as the sum of the moments of external forces applied to the beam to the left of section x :

$$M_x^0 = \sum M_x^{left} = \frac{ql}{2}x - (qx)\frac{x}{2} = \frac{qx}{2}(l-x).$$

Dividing the resulting expression by the thrust, we obtain the equation of the rational axis of the three-hinged arch with a uniform load over the span:

$$y(x) = \frac{M_x^0}{H} = \frac{qx(l-x)}{2} \frac{8f}{ql^2}.$$

Or finally

$$y(x) = \frac{4f}{l^2}(lx - x^2).$$

The resulting equation is a quadratic parabola equation. A parabolic arch with a load evenly distributed over the span does not have bending moments. Only longitudinal forces occur in the arch cross-sections.

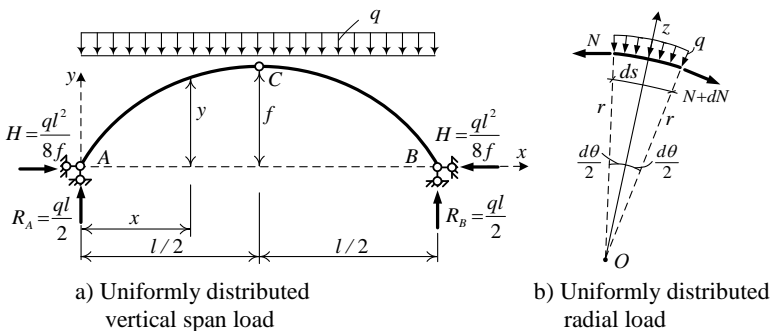


Figure 4.16

In the key (in the middle of the span) of the arch, the longitudinal force is

$$N_C = -H = -\frac{ql^2}{8f}$$

In heels (supports), the longitudinal forces are equal

$$N_A = N_B = \sqrt{R^2 + H^2} = \frac{ql}{2} \sqrt{1 + \frac{l^2}{16f^2}}.$$

If the arch is outlined in a circle arc, then from the equilibrium conditions of an infinitesimal arch element of length ds , it can be proved that the arch circular axis will be rational when the arch is loaded with a uniformly distributed radial load (Figure 4.16, b). With a uniform radial load in a circular arch, there are no bending moments, and the longitudinal forces will be constant along the length of the arch and equal

$$N = -qr.$$

We invite the reader to carry out the corresponding evidence independently.

4.6. Three-Hinged Arches with a Superstructure

Arches that serve as supporting structures for bridges usually have over-the-top or under-arch superstructures. The moving load on the main structure of such arches is not transmitted directly, but through the auxiliary vertical members (links) at certain points - at nodes.

Three-hinged arches with a superstructure are generally regarded as statically determinate, and are complex systems in which an auxiliary part (over- or under-arch superstructure) rests on the main part (three-hinged arch).

The analysis of systems for a moving load is carried out in the same way as for beams with nodal transfer of the load. Initially, the movement of a unit force $F = 1$ directly along the axis of the main arch is considered, and the influence lines for the factors under study are constructed. Then ordinates are fixed on these influence lines under the nodes. It can be

proved that during load nodal transfer, sections of the influence lines between nodal points will be rectilinear. Therefore, if the ordinates fixed under the nodes are connected by straight lines, then the influence lines adjusted in this way will correspond to the influence lines for arches with a superstructure.

Example: For a three-hinged arch with a under-arch superstructure (Figure 4.17, a), draw an influence line of the bending moment in section K.

Solution:

1. First, we construct the influence line for the bending moment M_K^* (Inf. Line M_K^*) as if the unit force $F = 1$ moved directly along the axis of the three-hinged arch (Figure 4.17, b). To construct this influence line, we will use the arguments presented in Section 4.4:

$$\text{Inf.Line } M_K^* = \left(\text{Inf.Line } M_K^0 \right) - (\text{Inf.Line } H) \cdot y_K .$$

The influence line for the bending moment M_K^0 arising in section K of the equivalence beam is shown in Figure 4.17, c, and the influence line for the thrust H multiplied by y_K is shown in Figure 4.17, d.

For the initial data of the example: with $x_K = 3m$, it follows that:

$$y_K = \frac{4f}{l^2} x_K (l - x_K) = \frac{4 \cdot 3}{12^2} 3 \cdot (12 - 3) = 2.25m$$

The influence line M_K^* obtained by subtracting $(\text{inf.line } H) \cdot y_K$ from $\text{inf.line } M_K^0$ is shown in Figure 4.17, e.

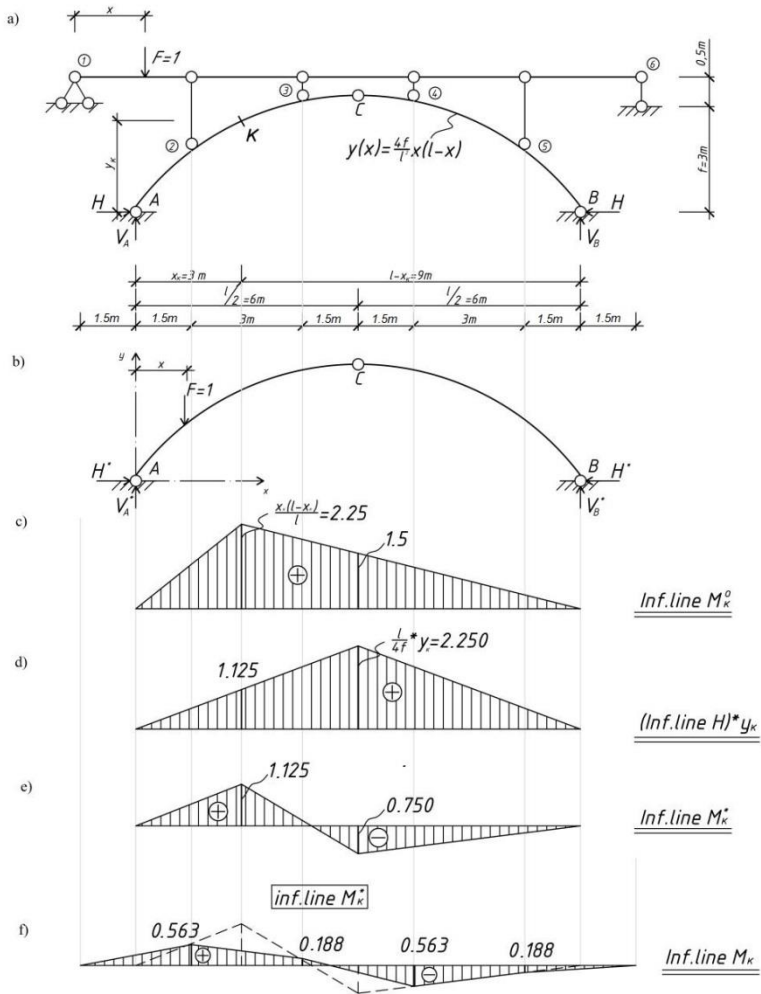


Figure. 4.17

2. We correct the constructed influence line M_K^* taking into account the nodal transfer of the load. To do this, we calculate the ordinates of this influence line under the nodal points 2, 3, 4 and 5. The ordinates under the nodal points 1 and 6 have zero values (Figure 4.17, f)

3. We connect the calculated ordinates with straight lines. The resulting graph is the influence line for the bending moment in the section K (Figure 4.17, f) under the condition that the load on the arch is transmitted through the over-arch superstructure.

4.7. Determining Support Reactions and Internal Forces in Three-Hinged Frames

Consider the process of determining support reactions in a three-hinged frame with supports at different levels (Figure 4.18).

The frame is loaded with a horizontal uniformly distributed load of intensity $q=4kN/m$ and a vertical concentrated force $F=12kN$. The expected directions of support reactions are shown in Figure 4.18.

As usual, we compose the sum of the moments of all external forces relative to the support B :

$$\Sigma M_B = -4 \cdot 6 \cdot 1 + 12 \cdot 2 - V_A \cdot 8 + H \cdot 4 = 0.$$

Since the equation contains two unknown quantities V_A and H_A , we compose the second equation in the form of the sum of the moments of the left forces only, relative to the joint C :

$$\Sigma M_C^{left} = -4 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 - V_A \cdot 4 + H_A \cdot 8 = 0,$$

The resulting equation includes the same two unknown quantities V_A and H_A . Solving the system of two joint equations, we find the values of the support reactions of the right support A :

$$V_A = 10 \text{ kN}; \quad H_A = 20 \text{ kN}.$$

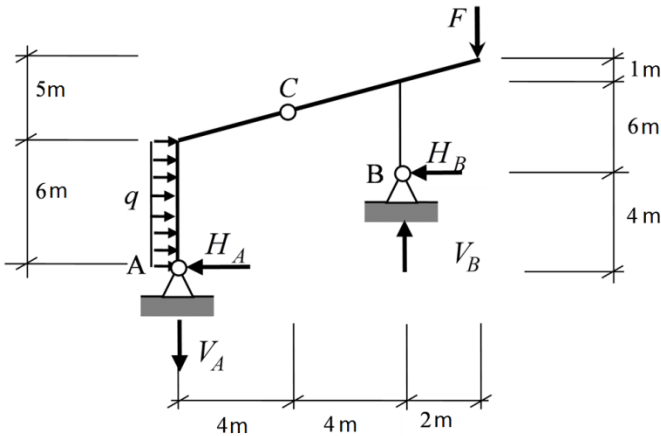


Figure 4.18

Accordingly, the reactions of support B will be found from the sum of the moments of all external forces relative to the support A and the sum of the moments of only the right forces relative to the intermediate joint C :

$$\begin{aligned}\sum M_A &= 4 \cdot 6 \cdot 3 + 12 \cdot 10 - V_B 8 - H_B 4 = 0, \\ \sum M_C^{right} &= 12 \cdot 6 - V_B 4 + H_B 4 = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Solving the resulting system of two equations, we find

$$V_B = 22 \text{ kN}; \quad H_B = 4 \text{ kN}.$$

The calculated values of all supporting reactions are positive. Therefore, their directions shown in Figure 4.18 are valid.

We will check the results. We compose the sum of all forces projections on the X and Y axes, as well as the sum of all external forces moments relative to, let's say, the point D in the middle of the left rack (the moment from the distributed load and the moment from the reaction V_A at this point are zero, which reduces the amount of calculations):

$$\Sigma X = 4 \cdot 5 - 20 - 4 = 24 - 24 = 0,$$

$$\Sigma Y = -10 + 22 - 12 = -22 + 22 = 0,$$

$$\Sigma M_D = 20 \cdot 3 + 12 \cdot 10 - 22 \cdot 8 - 4 \cdot 1 = 180 - 180 = 0.$$

All three checking equilibrium equations are satisfied identically.

Summing up, we can recommend the following rules for calculating support reactions in arbitrary three-hinged arches and other three-hinged systems with arbitrary external loads.

Usually, four equations are composed to calculate the four support reactions, and three more equations are used to verify the results.

The support reactions of the left support (V_A , and H_A) are calculated from two equations.

The first is the sum of the moments of all external forces relative to the right support B :

$$\Sigma M_B = 0.$$

The second is the sum of the moments relative to the intermediate joint C of only external forces located to the left of the joint C :

$$\Sigma M_C^{left} = 0.$$

The support reactions of the right support (V_B and H_B) are calculated from two more equations.

The third is the sum of all external forces moments relative to the right support A :

$$\Sigma M_A = 0.$$

Fourth is the sum of the moments relative to the intermediate joint C of only external forces located to the right of the joint C :

$$\Sigma M_C^{right} = 0.$$

To verify the results, the sums of all external forces projections on the coordinate axes and the sum of all external forces moments relative to any point not previously used as a moment point are written.

After determining the support reactions, the diagrams of internal forces in the bars of the three-hinged frame are constructed, as in any other bars systems. The calculated support reactions are considered as known external forces. Internal forces are calculated according to general rules in given characteristic cross-sections. For the considered frame from cross-sections with nonzero bending moments, six characteristic sections have been selected (Figure 4.19): this is the beginning and end of each bar, the middle of the distributed load application segment.

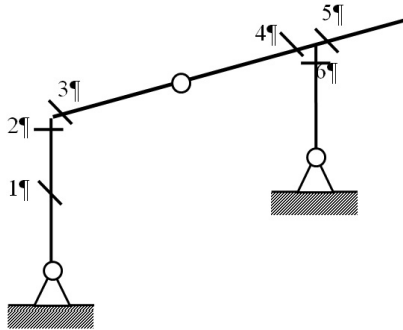


Figure 4.19

We calculate the bending moments in the indicated sections:

$$M_1 = \sum M_1^{bottom \leftarrow} = 20 \cdot 3 - 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 1.5 = 42 \text{ kNm.}$$

$$M_2 = \sum M_2^{bottom \leftarrow} = 20 \cdot 6 - 4 \cdot 6 \cdot 3 = 48 \text{ kNm.}$$

$$M_3 = \sum M_3^{left} = 20 \cdot 6 - 4 \cdot 6 \cdot 3 = 48 \text{ kNm.}$$

$$M_4 = \sum M_4^{left} = 20 \cdot 10 - 4 \cdot 6 \cdot 7 - 10 \cdot 8 = -48 \text{ kNm.}$$

$$M_5 = -\sum M_5^{right \rightarrow} = -(12 \cdot 2) = -24 \text{ kNm.}$$

$$M_6 = \sum M_6^{left} = 4 \cdot 6 = 24 \text{ kNm.}$$

The diagram of bending moments is plotted in Figure 4.20

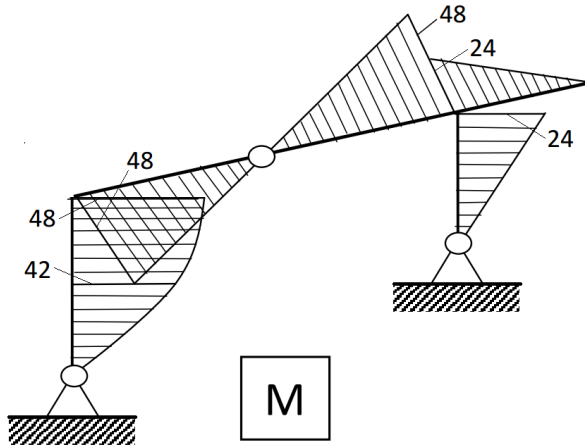


Figure 4.20

We begin the calculation of transversal and longitudinal forces from the support section A:

$$Q_A = H_A = 20 \text{ kN}, \quad N_A = V_A = 10 \text{ kN}.$$

On a length A-2 of the bar, where a uniformly distributed load is applied, the transversal forces linearly decrease, and the longitudinal forces are constant. Therefore, we calculate:

$$Q_2 = 20 - 4 \cdot 6 = -4 \text{ kN}, \quad N_2 = N_A = 10 \text{ kN}.$$

On an inclined bar section 3-4, the transversal and longitudinal forces are constant. The tangent of the angle α of bar inclination to the horizon on this length is equal $\operatorname{tg} \alpha = 4/8 = 0.5$. Therefore $\sin \alpha = 0.4472$, and $\cos \alpha = 0.8944$. Next we calculate:

$$Q_3 = Q_4 = -10 \cdot 0.8944 + (20 - 4 \cdot 6) \cdot 0.4472 = -10.73 \text{ kN}$$

$$N_3 = N_4 = -10 \cdot 0.4472 + (20 - 4 \cdot 6) \cdot 0.8944 = 0.8944 \text{ kN}$$

In cross-sections of the inclined console, the transversal and longitudinal forces are also constant. It is enough to calculate them in the cross-section 5 through the right hand external forces:

$$Q_5 = 12 \cdot 0.8944 = 10.73 \text{ kN}, \quad N_5 = -12 \cdot 0.4472 = -5.366 \text{ kN}$$

On the right strut, transversal and longitudinal forces are also constant. We calculate:

$$Q_6 = Q_B = 4 \text{ kN}, \quad N_6 = N_B = -22 \text{ kN}.$$

Diagrams of transversal and longitudinal forces are plotted in Figure 4.21 and Figure 4.22.

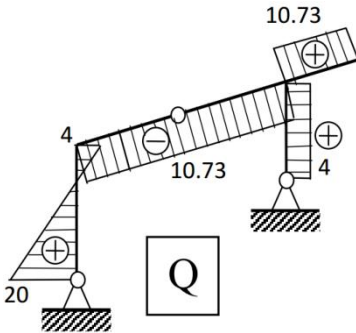


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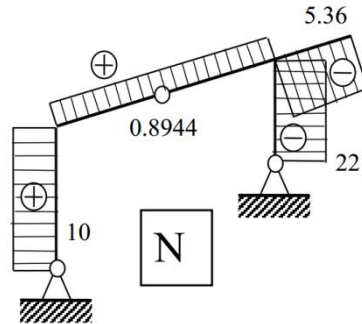


Figure 4.22

Check the equilibrium of the left and right frame nodes (Figure 4.23).

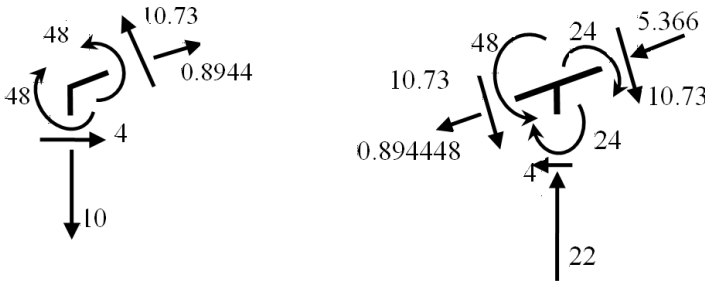


Figure 4.23

For the left node we have:

$$\sum M = 48 - 48 = 0 .$$

$$\sum X = 4 - 10.73 \cdot 0.4472 + 0.8944 \cdot 0.8944 = 4.800 - 4.798 = 0.002 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{Relative error} \quad \varepsilon = \frac{0.002 \cdot 100\%}{4.800} = 0.0417\% < 3\% .$$

$$\sum Y = -10 + 10.73 \cdot 0.8944 + 0.8944 \cdot 0.4472 = 9.997 - 10 = -0.003 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{Relative error} \quad \varepsilon = \frac{|-0.003| \cdot 100\%}{10} = 0.03\% < 3\% .$$

For the right node we have:

$$\sum M = -48 + 24 + 24 = 0 .$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum X &= (10.73 + 10.73) \cdot 0.4472 - (0.8944 + 5.367) \cdot 0.8944 - 4 = \\ &= 9.597 - 9.600 = -0.003 \text{ kN} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Relative error} \quad \varepsilon = \frac{|-0.003| \cdot 100\%}{9.600} = 0.0312\% < 3\% .$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum Y &= (-10.73 - 10.73) \cdot 0.8944 - (0.8944 + 5.367) \cdot 0.4472 + 22 = \\ &= -21.993 + 22 = -0.007 \text{ kN} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Relative error} \quad \varepsilon = \frac{|-0.007| \cdot 100\%}{22} = 0.0318\% < 3\%$$

THEME 5. CALCULATING PLANE STATICALLY DETERMINATE TRUSSES

5.1. Trusses: Concept, Classification

Geometrically unchangeable bars systems composed, as a rule, of rectilinear rods connected at their ends by ideal hinges without friction, are usually called trusses.

Therefore the design scheme of a truss is a geometrically unchangeable system of articulated rods (Figures 5.1-5.3, 5.5).

A real structures with rigid nodes (welded or monolithic), which remain geometrically unchangeable after the mental replacement of all rigid nodes with hinged ones are often also called trusses (Figure 5.4).

The rods located along the upper and lower contours of the truss form its top and bottom chords. The rods connecting the both chords form a lattice of the truss. Inclined rods of the lattice are called diagonals. The vertical rods of the lattice are called struts (or pendants if they are tensile).

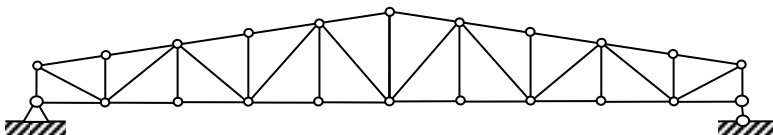


Figure 5.1. Trapezoidal truss with triangular lattice and additional struts

The classification of design schemes of trusses as hinge-rod systems can be carried out according to many criteria.

Trusses, like other structures, are divided into plane (Figures 5.1 - 5.3) and spatial (Figure 5.4).

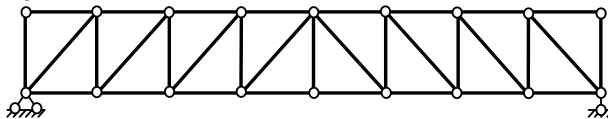


Figure 5.2. Beam truss with parallel chords and a lattice of N form

Trusses can be subdivided according to the supporting conditions into

trusses free of thrust, or beam trusses (figures 5.1, 5.2, 5.5); and trusses with thrust, or arch trusses (figure 5.3).

According to the outline of the chords, trusses are divided into trusses with parallel chords (Figure 5.2 and 5.5, a) and polygonal chords (Figure 5.5, b), triangular, trapezoidal trusses (Figure 5.1), parabolic, circular (Figure 5.3), etc.

According to the type of lattice, trusses are divided into trusses with a triangular lattice or of V-form lattice (Figure 5.1; 5.3), trusses with a N-form lattice (Figure 5.2;), trusses with a crossed lattice (Figure 5.5, a), trusses with a mixed lattice (Figure 5.5, b).

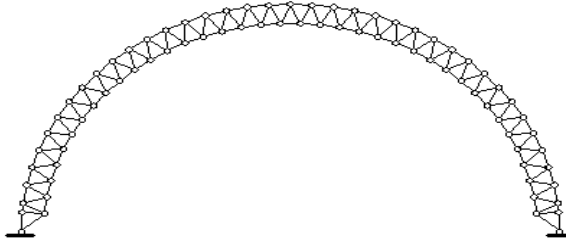


Figure 5.3. Circular two-hinged arch truss with a triangle lattice

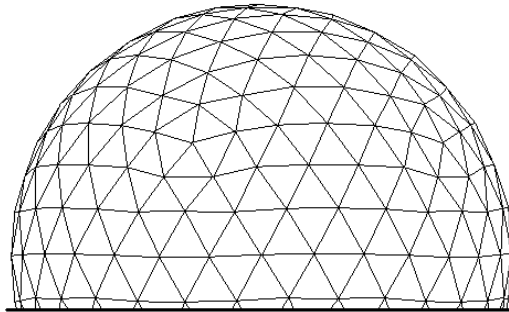


Figure 5.4. Lattice dome

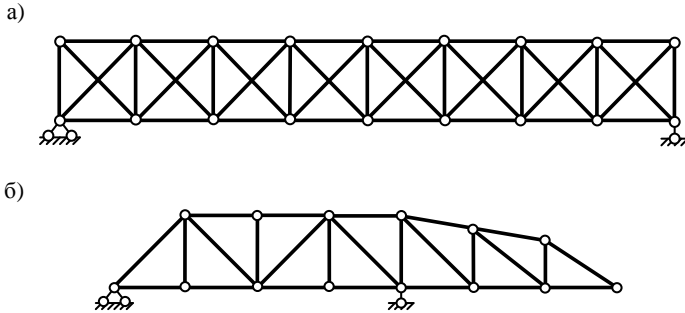


Figure 5.5: a) beam truss with a crossed lattice,
 b) simply supported truss with overhang and mixed lattice

The given classification is far from complete. In real buildings, trusses of various types can be used.



Illustration 5.1. Single-span bridge girders

5.2. Plane Trusses. Degree of Freedom and Variability

A necessary condition for the geometric immutability and static definability of a truss as a hinge-rod system is that its degree of freedom is equal to zero ($W = 0$) or, if the truss is separated from its supports, its degree of variability is also equal to zero ($V = 0$).

We assume that the truss in the general case consists of N nodes interconnected by B truss rods (bars) and attached to the supports with L supporting rods (simple links).

Then, for a plane truss, its degree of freedom W with respect to the reference system associated with the supporting surface is equal to

$$W = 2N - B - L,$$

where $2N$ is the degree of freedom of N free nodes as material points,

B is the number of truss rods (bars) that connects truss nodes as simple links and eliminate B degrees of freedom,

L is the number of simple support rods (links) that also eliminates L degrees of freedom of the system.

The degree of freedom of a plane hinge-rod system, not having support connections and separated from the supports, consists of the degree of freedom of the system as a rigid whole (disk), equal to three (on the plane), and the degree of variability of V of its elements relative to each other (internal mutability). Thus, we can write

$$W = 3 + V,$$

from

$$V = W - 3.$$

Substituting the expression for W under the condition $L = 0$ in the last formula, we obtain the final expression for calculating the degree of variability of the truss (hinged-rod system) disconnected from the supports,

$$V = 2N - B - 3$$

If the degree of freedom (degree of variability) of the truss is positive (greater than zero)

$$W > 0 \quad (V > 0),$$

then the truss is geometrically variable. The truss structure lacks W links (rods).

If the degree of freedom (degree of variability) of the truss is negative (less than zero)

$$W < 0 \quad (V < 0),$$

then the truss formally contains an excessive number of links (rods) and is, again formally, statically indeterminate.

If the degree of freedom (degree of variability) of the truss is zero

$$W = 0 \quad (V = 0),$$

then the truss formally has the number of rods (links) necessary for geometric immutability and can, again, formally, be statically determinate.

For example, the beam truss (Figure 5.1) has 22 nodes, 10 rods in the top and bottom chords, 10 diagonals and 11 struts. The truss is supported by three support rods. Its degree of freedom:

$$W = 2 \cdot 22 - 41 - 3 = 44 - 44.$$

This means that the truss has the required number of rods and support links for geometric immutability and static definability.

A truss with parallel chords and a cross lattice consists of 18 nodes connected by 41 rods and rests, like a simple beam, on three support rods. Its degree of freedom:

$$W = 2 \cdot 18 - 41 - 3 = 36 - 44 = -8.$$

Therefore, this truss has 8 redundant links and is statically indeterminate

5.3. Plane Trusses. Formation Methods

As noted in subsection 1.1.5, for a final conclusion on the geometric immutability and on the static definability of a truss, as well as any other bar system, an analysis of its structure and of the laws by which it is compiled are necessary. Trusses of only the correct structure can be really geometrically unchangeable ($W \leq 0$) and statically determinate ($W = 0$).

Trusses (systems) that are partially statically indeterminate and partially geometrically changeable, as well as systems that are instantaneously changeable are relative to systems of irregular structure. For such systems, the concept of the degree of freedom or of variability becomes uncertain, meaningless.

The methods, rules for the formation of trusses of a knowingly correct structure, remain the same as for any other bar systems. Recall the main ones.

1. The degree of freedom of the truss will not change if you attach (disconnect) a node to it using two rods that do not lie on one straight line (dyad method). The rods can be knowingly geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate trusses.

2. Three rods (three disks) connected by three hinges that do not locate on one straight line form an internally geometrically unchangeable system (single disk) without redundant connections.

3. Two trusses (two disks) connected by three rods lying on straight lines, not intersecting all three at once at one point and not parallel each other, form a single system (disk). In such a system, the total number of redundant rods does not change, and the total degree of freedom is reduced by three units.

4. Two trusses (two disks) connected by a common hinge and by a rod that does not pass through a common hinge form a whole truss (disk), while the total number of redundant rods does not increase, and the total degree of freedom decreases by three units.

By their structure, the trusses (Figures 5.1, 5.2 and 5.5, b) composed of rod triangles are disks without redundant connections. These disks are supported by beam supports (in total, three support rods, not parallel, not intersecting at one point). Consequently, all these trusses are geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate.

The arched truss (Figure 5.3) is also composed of rod triangles forming a circular disk. But this disk rests on two immovable hinged supports (in total four support links). Therefore, one of the support links (horizontal) is superfluous. This arch is statically indeterminate.

A truss with a crossed lattice (Figure 5.5, a) differs in its structure from a geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate truss with an N -form lattice (Figure 5.2) by the presence of eight additional diagonals. Therefore, additional diagonals represent redundant rods. This

truss is geometrically unchangeable, but statically indeterminate eight times.

5.4. Determining Internal Forces in the Truss Rods from Stationary Loads

The determination of internal forces in the rods of plane trusses, as in other systems (beams, frames, arches), is carried out by the method of sections. The essence of the section method for truss is as follows. The truss is cut (divided) into two (Figure 5.6, a) or several parts so that the rod in which the internal force is to be calculated is cut up. For a truss in equilibrium, any part of it must also be in equilibrium. The equilibrium equations compiled for the selected part of the truss, along with external nodal loads, include forces in the rods that are cut up. The internal forces (longitudinal forces) in the rods that are cut up are usually directed from the node to the cut that corresponds to the tension of the rods (Figure 5.6, b). The equilibrium equations must be compiled in such a form and sequence that each of them includes only one unknown force, if it possible. The algebraic signs of the found forces are retained. This allows us to determine the type of stress state of the rod by the sign of effort: tension or compression. The plus sign corresponds to extension in the rod, and the minus sign corresponds to compression in the rod.

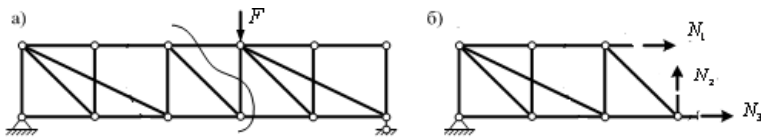


Figure 5.6

Consider the process of applying the section method using the example of a trapezoidal truss with a triangular lattice and additional struts adjacent to the upper chord. The length of the span of the truss is 24 m. The height of the truss above the supports is 2 m. The height of the truss in the middle of the span is 5 m. The truss is loaded with six vertical nodal forces of 24 kN each (Figure 5.7).

First we find reactions. We find the reaction of the left support from the sum of the moments of all forces relative to the right support point:

$$V_A = \frac{24 \cdot (22 + 20 + 18 + 16 + 14 + 12)}{24} = 102 \text{ (kN)} .$$

Accordingly, the reaction of the right support will be found from the sum of the moments of all forces relative to the left support point:

$$V_B = \frac{24 \cdot (2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + 10 + 12)}{24} = 42 \text{ (kN)} .$$

Perform a check in the form of the sum of the projections of the active and reactive forces on the vertical axis:

$$\sum Y = 102 + 42 - 6 \cdot 24 = 144 - 144 = 0 .$$

The forces in the truss rods can be determined in any order. For example, we make a vertical section through the fifth panel of the upper chord and the third panel of the lower chord, as shown in Figure 5.7. We are considering the equilibrium of the left part.

We find the force N_1 in the cut rod of the third panel of the lower chord from the sum of the moments of all the left forces relative to the moment point where the cut diagonal and the cut rod of the upper chord intersect. The height of the truss at this point at a distance of 10 m from the left support is 4.5 m. This will be the arm of the force N_1 in the cut rod of the lower chord. Solving the equilibrium equation with respect to N_1 , we find

$$N_1 = \frac{102 \cdot 10 - 24 \cdot 8 - 24 \cdot 6 - 24 \cdot 4 - 24 \cdot 2}{4.5} = 120 \text{ (kN)}$$

We find the force N_2 in the cut rod of the upper chord from the sum of the moments of left forces relative to the node (moment point) where the cut diagonal and the cut rod of the lower chord intersect. This node is located at a distance of 8 m from the left support. The height of the truss in this node is 4 m. The arm of the force N_2 in the upper chord relative

to this moment point located on the lower chord is equal to the projection of the height of the truss at this point on the normal to the upper chord. We calculate the tangent of the angle θ of inclination of the upper chord to the horizon, and through it the sine and cosine of this angle:

$$\operatorname{tg} \theta = \frac{5-2}{12} = 0.25, \quad \sin \theta = 0.2425, \quad \cos \theta = 0.9701.$$

We calculate the arm ρ_2 of the force N_2 relative to the moment point

$$\rho_2 = 4 \cdot 0.9701 = 3.880.$$

So, from the sum of the moments of the left forces relative to the moment point, we find the force in the cut rod of the upper chord

$$N_2 = -\frac{102 \cdot 8 - 24 \cdot 6 - 24 \cdot 4 - 24 \cdot 2}{3.880} = -136.08 \text{ (kN)}.$$

A negative value of the found force means that the rod of the upper truss chord is compressed.

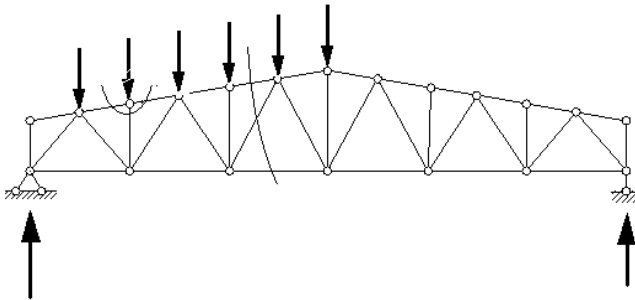


Figure 5.7

To find the force N_3 in the cut diagonal, we calculate the sine of the angle α of inclination of this rod to the horizon, and then the cosine of the angle α :

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{4.5}{\sqrt{4.5^2 + 2^2}} = 0.9138, \quad \cos \alpha = 0.4062 .$$

We project on the vertical axis all the forces acting on the left part:

$$\sum Y = 102 - 4 \cdot 24 + (-136.08 \cdot 0.2425) + N_3 \cdot 0.9138 = 0 .$$

From where we find

$$N_3 = -\frac{102 - 96 - 33.00}{0.9138} = 29.55 \text{ (kN)} .$$

We will check the calculations by projecting all the forces acting on the left part on the horizontal axis:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum X &= N_1 + N_2 \cos \theta + N_3 \cos \alpha = \\ &= 120 - 136.08 \cdot 0.9701 + 29.55 \cdot 0.4062 = \\ &= 120 - 132.01 + 12.00 = -0.01 . \end{aligned}$$

Verification showed that the calculations were performed almost exactly. The error is only a unit of the fifth significant digit of one of the terms.

In a similar way, internal forces can be found in the remaining rods of the truss. We invite the reader to perform the necessary actions on their own.

In some cases, cuts (sections) may be carried out so that only one node is cut out from the truss. For example, such is the third left node of the upper truss chord (Figure 5.7). The cut out node is shown in Figure 5.8. The performed cut demonstrates a special case of the section method, called the cut-out nodes method. All the forces acting on the one cut-out node converge at one point, in the cut-out node itself. For such a system of forces passing through one point, only two independent equilibrium equations can be compiled. Therefore, the nodes should be cut out in such an order that in each cut out node there were no more than two unknown forces.

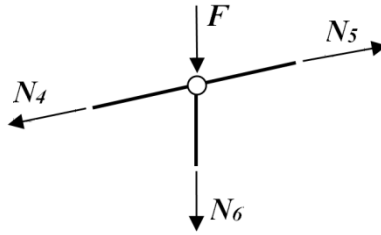


Figure 5.8

For the cut node under consideration from the sum of the projections onto the horizontal axis (Figure 5.8)

$$\Sigma X = -N_4 \cos \theta + N_5 \cos \theta = 0$$

only equality of forces in the rods of adjacent panels of the upper chord follows

$$N_4 = N_5.$$

The values of these forces remain unknown. They will have to be found from other equilibrium equations, for example, as shown above.

But from the sum of the projections onto the vertical axis

$$\Sigma Y = -F - N_6 = 0$$

we easily find

$$N_6 = -f = -24 \text{ (kN)}.$$

Consequently, the second on the left-hand vertical rod of the truss is compressed with a force of 24 kN.

The cut-out nodes method often allows you to visually, without calculation, set the rods with zero forces, rods with the same forces, rods with known forces in advance. Consider these most common special cases of equilibrium of nodes:

1. Double-rod unloaded node (Figure 5.9, a). The forces in both rods are zero.

2. Double-rod node with a load along one of the rods (Figure 5.9, b). The force in the rod lying on one straight line with an external force is equal to this force. The force in the other single rod is zero.

3. Three-rod unloaded node (Figure 5.9, c). The forces in the rods lying on one straight line are equal. The force in the third single rod is zero.

4. A three-rod node with a load along a single rod (Figure 5.9, d). The forces in the rods lying on one straight line are equal. The force in the third single rod is equal to the external force.

5. A four-rod unloaded node with rods lying in pairs on straight lines (Figure 5.9, e). The forces in pairs lying on the same straight line are the same.

6. A four-rod unloaded node with two rods lying on one straight line and with two others, equally inclined to the first two (Figure 5.9, f). The forces in the equally inclined rods are equal in value and opposite in sign.

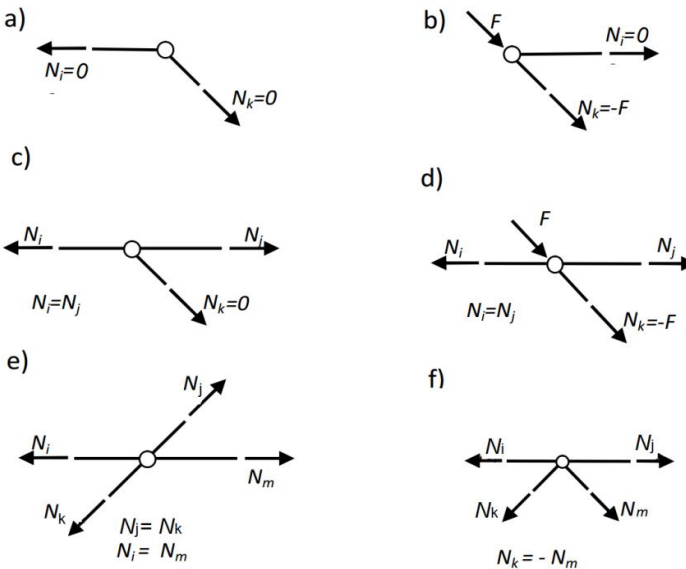


Figure 5.9. Special cases of equilibrium of nodes

So, based on the considered particular cases of equilibrium of nodes, it can be immediately established in the considered truss (Figure 5.7) that the vertical rods above the supports and the extreme rods of the upper chord do not loaded (case 1). Two struts of the right-hand half-span of the truss are also not loaded (case 3). The second and third struts of the left-hand half-span are compressed with a force of 24 kN (case 4). The forces in the rods of the upper chord adjacent to the intermediate struts are equal in pairs (case 4 and 3).

We invite the reader to determine unloaded rods in the truss depicted in Figure 5.6, a.

Efforts in some truss rods cannot calculate always immediately, from one equation. Sometimes you have to perform several cuts and draw up the appropriate number of equations. An example of such a bar is the central vertical rod of a trapezoidal truss (Figure 5.7).

To find the force in this rod, you must first find the force in one of the adjacent rods of the upper chord (the first cross section and the first equation) using the moment point method. We suggest doing it yourself. Then cut out (the second cut) the central node of the upper chord (Figure 5.10) and draw up two more equations.

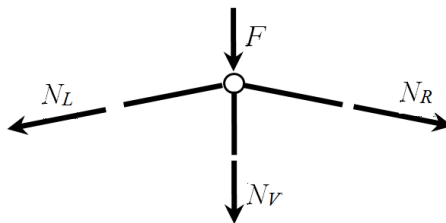


Figure 5.10

The second equation:

$$\Sigma X = -N_L \cos \theta + N_R \cos \theta = 0.$$

Where should

$$N_L = N_R = N .$$

The value of N with its sign is already found from the first equation.
The third equation:

$$\Sigma Y = -2N \sin \theta - F - N_V = 0 .$$

Where should

$$N_V = -2N \sin \theta - F .$$

Thus, the force in the central vertical bar is expressed through the external nodal force and forces in the adjacent rods of the upper chord by the method of two sections.

5.5. Constructing Influence Lines for Internal Forces in the Truss Rods

The influence lines for internal forces in the rods of the beam trusses (Figure 5.11, a) are constructed, as a rule, by the method of sections.

First, we construct the influence lines for support reactions. As in a simple beam, to determine the support reactions of the beam truss, we compose the equilibrium equations:

$$\Sigma M_B = 0; \quad -1x_B + R_A 5d = 0; \quad R_A = \frac{x_B}{5d} .$$

$$\Sigma M_A = 0; \quad -R_B 5d + 1x_A = 0; \quad R_B = \frac{x_A}{5d} .$$

The resulting expressions for R_A and R_B are functions of independent variables, respectively x_B and x_A . Their graphs are shown in Figures 5.11, b and 5.11, c.

Thus, the influence lines for support reactions in a beam truss are constructed in exactly the same way as in the corresponding simple beam. Moreover, the influence lines for the support reactions do not depend on which chord the load moves: lower or upper. The efforts in the rods of the truss, as will be shown below, depend on which chord of the truss is loaded: top or bottom.

Assuming for definiteness the movement of a unit force along the lower chord, we will construct an influence line for the internal force N_1 of the diagonal of the fourth panel (the order of consideration of the rods and the construction of force influence lines for them may be arbitrary).

To determine the force N_1 , we make section $I-I$ and use the sum of the projections of the forces on the vertical axis as the equilibrium equation of one of parts of the truss. This will eliminate unknown forces in the cut up horizontal rods of the lower and upper chords from the equilibrium equation. The equation of the projections on the vertical axis will include only vertical and inclined forces: unit force, support reactions, and the force in the diagonal bar. In the considering case, the mobile force may be on the left part of the truss, or on the right part. Let's consider the possible options.

$$\sum Y^{right} = -N_1 \cos \alpha + R_B = 0;$$

$$N_1 = \frac{R_B}{\cos \alpha}; \quad I. L. N_1 = (I. L. R_B) / \cos \alpha .$$

That is, the influence line for the effort N_1 in section $A-I0$ will have the same form as the influence line for the support reaction R_B , all of whose ordinates are divided by $\cos \alpha$ (the angle α is determined from the geometry of the system).

When a unit force moves only to the right of the dissected panel (in the section 11–12), we consider the equilibrium of the left part of the truss:

$$\sum Y^{left} = +N_1 \cos \alpha + R_A = 0;$$

$$N_1 = \frac{R_A}{\cos \alpha} ; \text{ I.L. } N_1 = -(\text{I.L. } R_A) / \cos \alpha .$$

We received that the influence line for the effort N_1 in section 11-12 will have the form of a support reaction R_A , all of whose ordinates must be divided by $\cos \alpha$.

When a unit force moves in a section of a dissected panel (in a section of 10–11), the forces in the truss rods in accordance with the principle of nodal transfer of load will change according to a linear law. Therefore, to construct it on this section of the influence line under consideration, it is enough to connect the ordinates of the influence line to the left and right of the dissected panel with a straight line. This straight line segment is called the transition line.

The final form of the influence line for the force N_1 is presented in Figure 5.11, d.

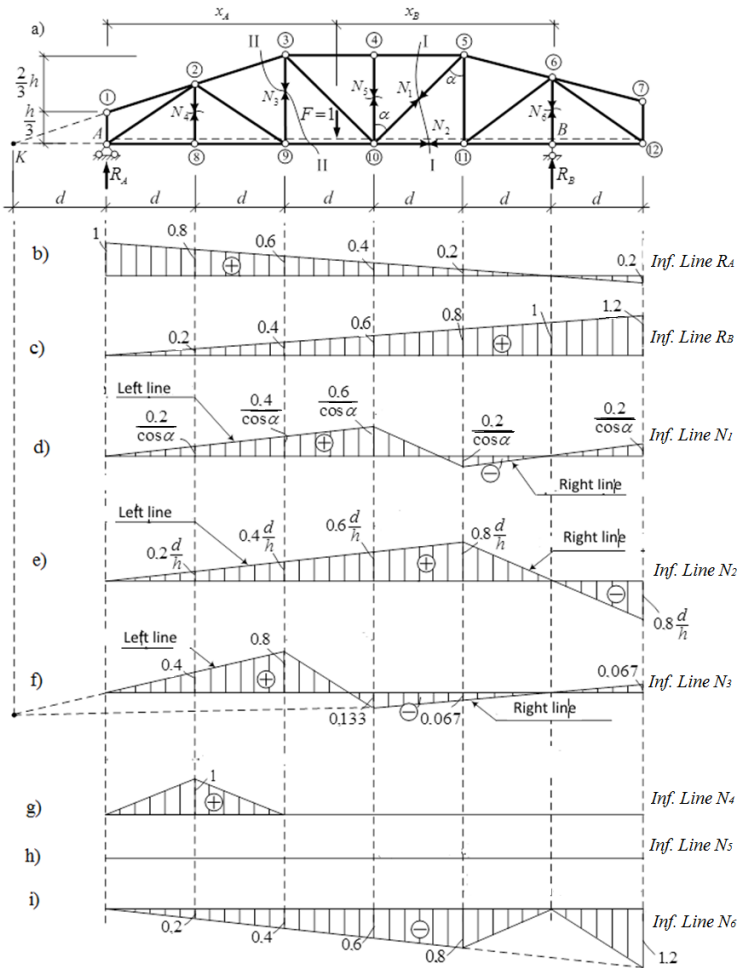


Figure 5.11

To determine the force N_2 in the rod 10–11 of the lower chord, we can use the same section I – I (Figure 5.11, a) and the method of the moment point. We select the moment point in node 5, where the cut rods 4–5 and 10–5 intersect.

Assuming that the unit force is located to the left of the dissected panel 10–11, we consider the equilibrium of the right part of the truss:

$$\sum M_5^{right} = 0; \quad N_2 h - R_B d = 0;$$

$$N_2 = R_B \frac{d}{h}; \quad I.L. N_2 = (I.L. R_B) \frac{d}{h};$$

When the unit force is located to the right of the dissected panel 10–11, we consider the equilibrium of the left part of the truss:

$$\sum M_5^{left} = 0; \quad -N_2 h + R_A 4d = 0;$$

$$N_2 = R_A \frac{4d}{h}; \quad I.L. N_2 = (I.L. R_A) \frac{4d}{h};$$

In the segment of the dissected panel 10–11, we draw a transition line.

The influence line for the force N_2 is shown in Figure 5.11, e.

An analysis of this influence line shows that its left and right lines intersect under the moment point. This pattern will be satisfied when using the method of the moment point in other cases.

To determine the force in the rod 3–9, we will make section II – II (Figure 5.11, a) and also will use the method of the moment point, for which we take the point K of the intersection of the axes of the rods 2–3 and 9–10. The panels of the lower and upper chords dissected by section II – II are located on different verticals. In such cases, the position of the movable force should be determined relative to the dissected panels of the loaded chord, i.e., the chord along which the unit force moves. In this case, when the force moves along bottom chord, the dissected panel of the loaded (lower) chord is between nodes 9 and 10. If the unit force moves along top chord, then the upper chord will be loaded, and the dissected panel will be between nodes 2 and 3.

Consider the movement of a unit force along bottom chord.

If a unit force moves to the left of the dissected panel (in the segment A – 9), then, as before, we consider the equilibrium of the right part of the truss:

$$\sum M_{\kappa}^{right} = 0; \quad N_3 3d - R_B 6d = 0;$$

$$N_3 = R_B \frac{6d}{3d} = 2R_B; \quad I.L. N_3 = (I.L. R_B) \cdot 2;$$

When a unit force moves to the right of the dissected panel of the loaded chord (in the area between nodes 10 and 12), we consider the equilibrium of the left part of the truss:

$$\sum M_{\kappa}^{left} = 0; \quad -N_3 3d - R_A d = 0;$$

$$N_3 = -0.333R_A; \quad I.L. N_3 = (I.L. R_A) \cdot (-0.333);$$

On the length of the dissected panel of the loaded chords (9–10), we draw a transition line. The influence line for the force N_3 is shown in Figure 5.11, f. Its left and right branches intersect under the moment point K.

When constructing the influence line for the force N_4 in the rod 2–8, the force N_4 is determined by cutting out the node 8 (Figure 5.11, a). Node 8 is located on the lower chord of the truss, along which a unit force moves. There are three options for the location of the unit force in relation to the node 8.

1. The unit force is located directly in the cut out node 8. There is a special case (Figure 5.12). The considered rod is stretched by a single force, and the force in it $N_4 = 1$. We postpone the unit with the plus sign on the influence line under the node.

2. When the unit force is located outside the cut out node, to the left or right of the cut panels of the lower chord, or in any of the nodes of the upper chord, we also have a special case of equilibrium of the node 8 (Figure 5.13), and the internal force $N_4 = 0$. The ordinates of the influence line are zeros in the corresponding segments.

3. When a unit force moves within the dissected panels of the lower, loaded chord, a nodal load transfer takes place, and in the corresponding segments of the influence line (A – 8 and 8–9), it is necessary to draw transitional lines

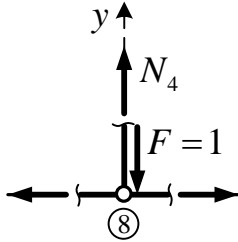


Figure 5.12

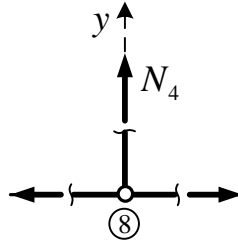


Figure 5.13

The final influence line for the force N_4 has the form shown in Figure 5.11, g.

The effort N_5 in the rod 4–10 is easiest to determine by cutting out the node 4. Again we have a special case of the equilibrium of the node 4. For any position of the unit force on the loaded lower chord of the truss the effort $N_5 = 0$. Accordingly, the influence line for this effort along the entire length of the truss will be zero (Figure 5.11, h), but only if a unit force moves along the lower chord.

We offer the reader to independently build an influence line for the effort N_5 during the movement of a unit force along the upper chord by himself.

Consider the process of constructing the influence line for the effort in the support column 6 - B. The internal force N_6 in this rod may be easily determined by cutting out the support node B. The equilibrium of the node B is also a special case. The internal force N_6 in the support strut balances the support reaction R_B , only if there is no any other force in this node.

When the unit force is in the cut out support node B (Figure 5.14), it follows from the sum of the projections of the forces on the vertical axis

$$\Sigma Y = N_6 + R_B - 1 = 0$$

that

$$N_6 = 1 - R_B.$$

Thus, the internal force in the support column is equal to minus the support reaction if there is no movable force in the support node. If the movable force is in the support node, then the internal force in the support column is zero. The load is transferred into the support and the whole truss doesn't work.

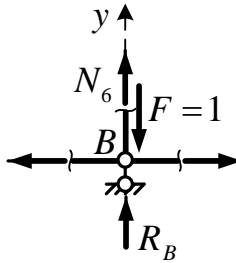


Figure 5.14

The influence line for the effort N_6 repeats the influence line for the support reaction R_B with the minus sign, when the unit force is in all nodes of the truss, except the support node B. When the unit force is in node B, the ordinate of the influence line for the force is equal to zero. Transitional straight lines are in sections of two cut panels of the lower chord.

The final influence line for the effort N_6 is presented in Figure 5.11, i.

5.6. Constructing Influence Lines for Efforts in the Rods of Compound Trusses with Subdivided Panels

Trusses with subdivided panels are formed by superimposing additional secondary trusses on the main truss with a simple lattice. The secondary trusses are located within the panels of the main truss.

The secondary trusses are used to perceive the local load applied between the nodes of the main truss, and transfer it to the nodes of the main truss. Examples of such trusses are shown in Figures 5.15,a and

5.16,a. The decomposition of these compound trusses into the main trusses and secondary ones is shown for these examples in Figures 5.15,b, c and 5.16,b, respectively.

The compound trusses with subdivided panels can be single-tier and double-tier. Single-tier trusses transfer the load to adjacent nodes of the same load chord. For example, for the truss in Figure 5.15, the secondary truss 3-5-6-7 transfers concentrated force from node 5 equally to nodes 3 and 7 of the main truss (Figures 1, b, c).

Double-tier compound trusses, perceiving the load in additional nodes of one chord, transfer it to the main nodes of another chord of the truss. For example, the secondary truss 13-15-17-16-14-18 (Figure 5.16,b) transfers the concentrated force acting in the node 15 of the lower chord to the nodes 14 and 18 of the upper chord.

Three types of rods are distinguished in compound trusses: rods only of the main truss (first type), rods of only secondary trusses (second type) and rods obtained by superimposing secondary trusses rods on the rods of the main truss (third type).

Calculation of compound trusses is carried out, as a rule, by the method of sections. Sometimes it is more convenient to determine the forces in the rods of compound trusses taking into account the belonging of the rods to one of the types listed above. In this case, the calculation sequence is reduced to the following actions.

1. The forces N^S in the secondary truss rods caused by local loads acting on them are determined. The resulting efforts in the rods of the second type are final.

2. The load acting on the secondary trusses is transmitted to the nodes of the main truss. The forces N^M in the rods of the main truss are determined. The efforts obtained in the rods of the first type are final.

3. The forces N in the rods of the third type are calculated by the expression: $N = N^M + N^S$.

We give examples of constructing influence lines for forces in the rods of compound trusses with subdivided panels.

E x a m p l e 1. Consider a beam-type single-tier compound truss (Figure 5.15,a). Let the lower chord of the truss be the loaded chord. To construct the influence lines for the efforts in the rods, one should be

guided by the rules for determining the internal forces in compound trusses described above.

a) Let us construct the influence line for the force N_1 in the rod 13-14 (Figure 5.15, a). This rod refers to the rods of the second type, i.e. $N_1 = N_1^S$. To determine the force in it, we use the method of sections in its particular form - the method of cutting out nodes. We cut out the node 13 and consider its equilibrium at various positions of the unit force. When a unit force moves outside the considered node (from node 1 to node 11 and from node 15 to node 21), force $N_1^S = 0$ (a special case of the equilibrium of the node). If the unit force is in the considered node, then the force $N_1^S = 1$ (a special case of the equilibrium of the node). The influence line for N_1 is shown in Figure 5.15,d. The indicated influence line is within the truss panel where the secondary truss 11-13-14-15 is located. It means that this secondary truss works only by local loading.

b) The rod 3-5 refers to rods of the third type, i.e. its effort can be found by the expression:

$$N_2 = N_2^S + N_2^M .$$

Therefore, the influence line can be obtained by summing the two influence lines:

$$\text{inf.line } N_2 = \left(\text{inf.line } N_2^S \right) + \left(\text{inf.line } N_2^M \right) .$$

The influence line for N_2^S is construct for the secondary truss 3-5-6-7, therefore, does not go beyond the panel on which the secondary truss is "hung". The rod only works if the moving force locates in the node 5 (Figure 5.15,c). To determine the effort N_2^S we cut out the node 3 of the secondary truss and write the equilibrium equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{cases} \sum X = 0, \\ \sum Y = 0. \end{cases} & \rightarrow \begin{cases} N_{3-6} \cdot \cos \alpha + N_{3-5} = 0, \\ 0,5 + N_{3-6} \cdot \sin \alpha = 0. \end{cases} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \begin{cases} N_{3-6} \cdot 0,85 + N_{3-5} = 0, \\ 0,5 + N_{3-6} \cdot 0,53 = 0. \end{cases} & \rightarrow \begin{cases} N_{3-5} = 0,8; \\ N_{3-6} = -0,94. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

The influence line for N_2^S is shown in Figure 5.15,e.

The influence line for N_2^M is constructed for the rod 3-7 of the main truss. We draw section I-I (Figure 5.15,b). Having compiled the equilibrium equations of all right or left forces, when the moving force is located to the left or to the right of the dissected panel of the load chord, we obtain the dependences for constructing the influence line N_2^M (Figure 5.15,f):

$$\sum M_4^{right} = 0, \rightarrow -V_B \cdot 8 + N_2^o \cdot 1.25 = 0 \rightarrow N_2^o = V_B \cdot \frac{8}{1.25} \rightarrow$$

$$inf \text{ line } N_2^o = (inf \text{ line } V_B) \cdot \frac{8}{1.25}.$$

$$\sum M_4^{left} = 0, \rightarrow V_A \cdot 0 - N_2^o \cdot 1.25 = 0 \rightarrow N_2^o = 0 \rightarrow inf \text{ line } N_2^o = 0.$$

The influence line N_2 obtained by summing is shown in Figure 5.15, g.

c) Rod 7-8 refers to rods of the first type, i.e. an effort $N_3 = N_3^M$. To construct the influence line N_3^M we do the section II-II (Figure 1, b). We obtain expressions for the "left-hand branch" of the influence line N_3^M (Figure 5.15, h):

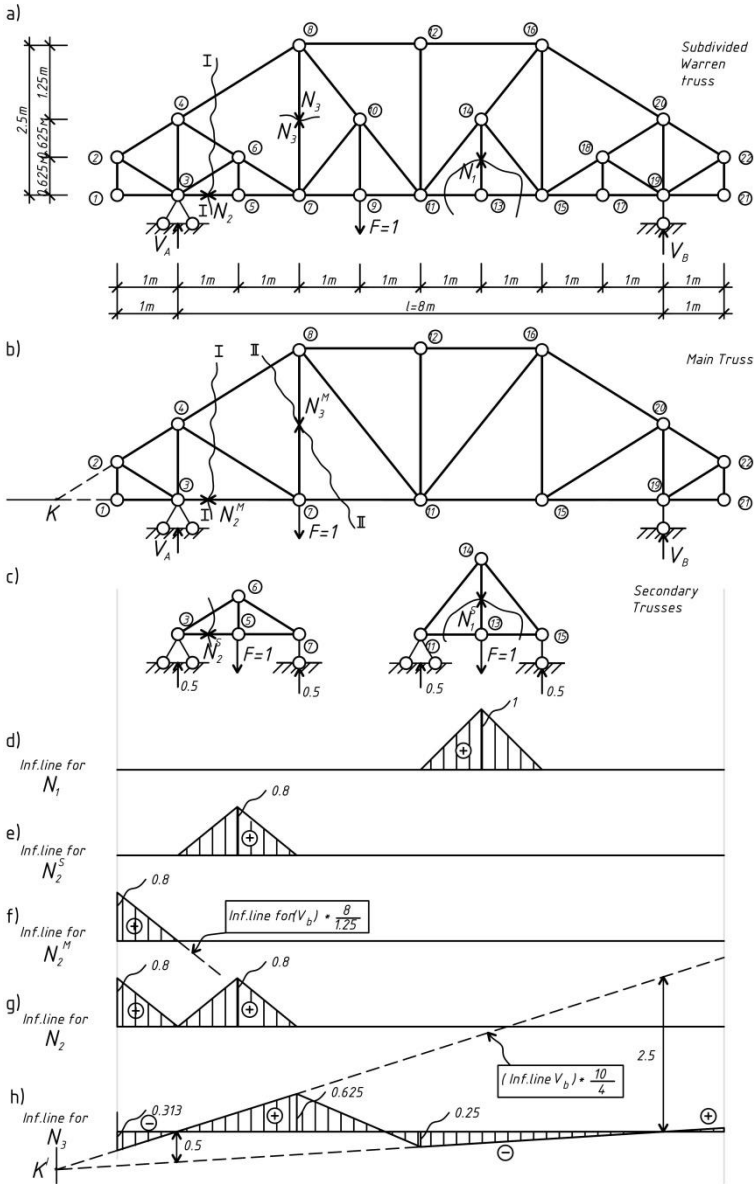


Figure 5.15

$$\sum M_K^{right} = 0, \rightarrow -V_B \cdot 10 + N_3^o \cdot 4 = 0 \rightarrow N_2^o = V_B \cdot \frac{10}{4} \rightarrow$$

$$inf.line N_2^o = (inf.line V_B) \cdot \frac{10}{4}.$$

The “right-hand branch” of the influence line N_3^M can be constructed without writing an analytical expression. The “left / right-hand branches” of the influence line for efforts in the rods of trusses of beam type have the properties: to pass through the left / right-hand supports; intersect under the moment point (moment point method) or be parallel in the case of the projection method. "Right-hand branch" of the influence line N_3^M therefore, passes through the support B and crosses the "left-hand branch" under the point K (Figure 5.15, h). The transition line will connect the left-hand and right-hand branches within the dissected panel of the lower (load) chord.

Example 2. Consider a beam-type compound truss with two-tier secondary trusses (Figure 5.16, a). Let the lower chord be the load chord.

a) Let us construct the influence line for the force N_1 in the rod 16-18 (Figure 5.16, a). This rod refers to the secondary truss rods 13-15-17-16-14-18, i.e. $N_1 = N_1^s$. The secondary truss under load is shown in Figure 5.16, b. From the equilibrium of the node 18 of the secondary truss (Figure 5.16, b):

$$\sum Y = 0 \rightarrow 0.5 - N_1^s \cdot \sin 45^\circ = 0,$$

find the effort $N_1^s = 0.707$.

If the unit force moves outside the fourth panel, then the considered secondary truss will not work, and therefore the effort $N_1^s = 0$ (a special case of the equilibrium of the node). The influence line for N_1 is shown in Figure 5.16, c.

b) The rod 14-18 of the same panel refers to the rods of the third type, i.e. the influence line for N_2 is constructed by the expression:

$$inf.line N_2 = (inf.line N_2^s) + (inf.line N_2^M).$$

To determine the effort N_2^s we consider the equilibrium of the secondary truss node 18 (Figure 5.16, b):

$$\sum X = 0 \rightarrow -N_2^s - N_1^s \cdot \cos 45^\circ = 0,$$

find the effort $N_2^s = -0.5$.

The influence line for N_2^s is shown in Figure 5.16, d.

The influence line N_2^M is constructed for the rod 14-18 of the main truss. Hold the section I-I (Figure 5.16, b). The dependence for constructing the "left-hand branch" of the influence line N_2^M (Figure 5.16, e) is obtained by writing the equation of moments of all right forces relative to the moment point - node 17:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum M_{17}^{right} = 0, & \rightarrow -V_B \cdot 4 - N_2^M \cdot 2 = 0 \rightarrow N_2^M = -V_B \cdot 2 \rightarrow \\ \text{inf. line } N_2^M & = -(\text{inf. line } V_B) \cdot 2. \end{aligned}$$

"Right-hand branch" of the influence line N_2^M (Figure 5.16, e) passes through support B and crosses the "left-hand branch" under node 17 (Figure 5.16, h). The transition line will connect the left-hand and right-hand branches within the fourth (dissected) panel. The influence line N_2 obtained by summing is shown in Figure 5.16, f.

c) It may seem that the rod 13-14 refers to the rods of the first type, i.e. an effort $N_3 = N_3^M$. In this case the influence line N_3^M is shown in Figure 5.16, g by the dashed line: the upper dashed line is constructed under the condition that the unit force moves along the lower chord; the lower dashed line is constructed under the condition that a unit force moves along the upper chord (in this case, rod 13-14 does not work, because the concentrated force does not fall into node 13).

However, in fact this rod is the support rod (suspension) of two adjacent two-tier secondary trusses located throughout 4 panels between nodes 9 and 17. Consider the location of the force at nodes 11, 13, 15. When the unit force is in the node 13 the internal force N_3 in the rod 13-14 is equal to 1.

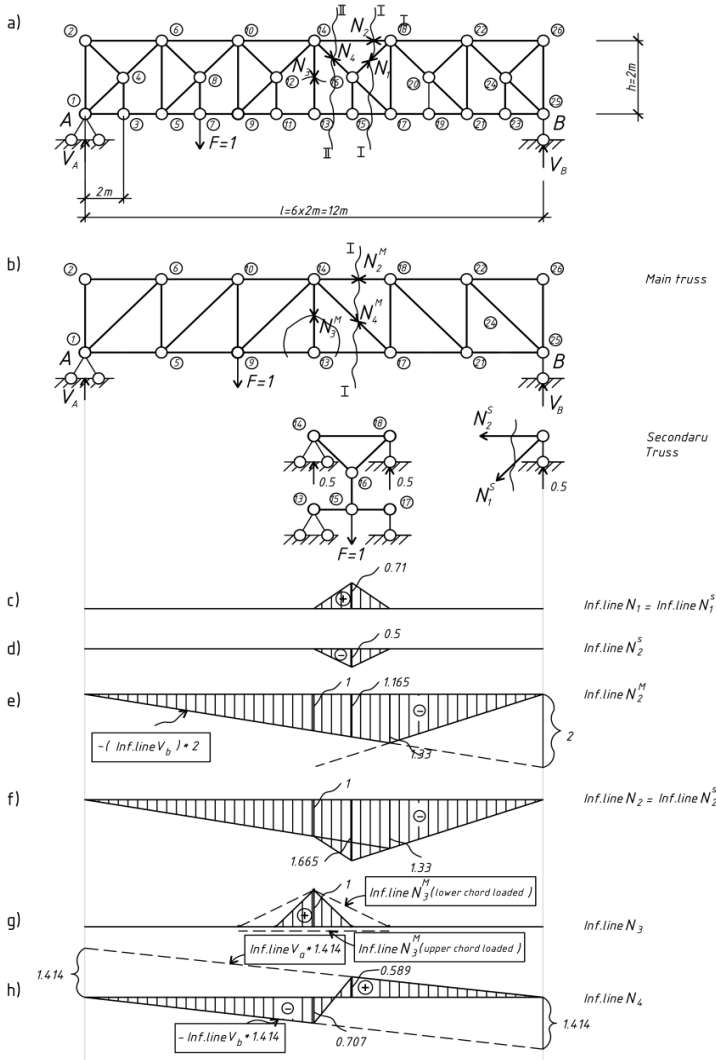


Figure 5.16

Therefore, under the node 13 the ordinate of the upper dashed line will be valid. If the force is located in nodes 11 and 15, the corresponding secondary trusses are included in the work and redistribute force pressure

on the upper chord. The node 13 is not loaded and the internal force N_3 is zero. Consequently, the corresponding ordinates of the lower dashed line will be valid.

We show the final form of the influence line for the force N_3 by the shaded part of the Figure 5.16, g.

d) Using similar actions, we will build the influence line for N_4 in the rod 14-16.

Section II-II (Figure 5.16, a) passes through the considered rod 14–16, but does not intersect more than three rods with unknown forces. Therefore, it is possible to determine the forces and construct influence lines for the rod 14-16 guided by the rules for determining the internal forces in the truss rods with a triangular or diagonal lattice.

$$\sum Y^{right} = 0, \rightarrow V_B + N_4^M \cdot \sin 45^\circ = 0 \rightarrow N_4^M = -V_B \cdot \frac{1}{0.707} \rightarrow$$

$$\text{inf.line}N_2^M = -(\text{inf.line}V_B) \cdot 1.414.$$

$$\sum Y^{left} = 0, \rightarrow V_A - N_4^M \cdot \sin 45^\circ = 0 \rightarrow N_4^M = V_A \cdot \frac{1}{0.707} \rightarrow$$

$$\text{inf.line}N_2^o = (\text{inf.line}V_A) \cdot 1.414.$$

In Figure 5.16,h, the left-hand and the right-hand branches of influence line for N_4 are shown in dashed lines. When the load moves to the left-hand of the dissected panel (to the left-hand of node 13), the expression for the "left-hand branch" is valid; when the load moves to the right-hand of the dissected panel (to the right-hand of node 15), the expression for the "right-hand branch" is valid. The transfer line is located within the dissected panel (rod 13-15 of the lower (loaded) chord). The final form of the influence line for N_4 is shown in Figure 5.16, h (the shaded part).

THEME 6. CALCULATING THREE-HINGED ARCHED TRUSSES, COMBINED AND SUSPENSION SYSTEMS

6.1. Calculation of Arched Trusses

In three-hinged arched trusses, unlike three-hinged arches and frames, the system disks consist of hinged-rod systems, i.e. trusses.

In arched trusses not only vertical, but also horizontal components of the support reactions occur under the action of only vertical loads. The horizontal components are called thrust. Examples of arched trusses, trusses with thrust, are shown below (Figures 6.1 and 6.2, a).



Figure 6.1

The trusses shown in the drawings (Figures 6.1,a and 6.2,a) are called arched trusses, since the method of their formation is similar to the method of forming three-hinged arches. The beam truss (Figure 6.1, b) with an inclined support rod is also a thrusting system, a truss that has thrust under vertical loads.



Illustration 6.1. Arched bridge trusses with traffic in the middle
The support reactions of arched trusses are defined in the same way as

in three-hinged arches and frames. After determining the support reactions, the internal forces in the rods of the arched trusses from the action of any load are determined by the same methods as in beam trusses.

Consider the features of constructing influence lines for efforts in the rods of arched trusses. Let's build, for example, an influence line for the internal force N_1 in the rod of the upper chord of the truss (Figure 6.2, a). Before this, it is necessary to construct influence lines for the reactions of the truss.

The vertical component of the reaction of the immovable hinged support A is determined from the equation of moments of all the forces acting on the truss, relative to point B:

$$\Sigma M_B = 0; \quad R_A l - 1(l - x_F) = 0; \quad R_A = 1 - \frac{x_F}{l}.$$

The obtained dependence coincides with the corresponding dependence of a simple beam of a span of l . Therefore, the influence line of the support reaction R_A is constructed as in a simple beam (Figure 6.2, b).

Similarly, we obtain the dependence for the vertical component of the reaction of the support B:

$$R_B = \frac{x_F}{l}.$$

The influence line for the reaction R_B is shown in Figure 6.2, c.

The horizontal component of the support reactions, i.e. thrust, may be defined, as in a three-hinged arch, according to the formula:

$$H = \frac{M_C^0}{f}.$$

Therefore, the influence line for the thrust is the influence line for the beam bending moment in the beam cross section located under the

intermediate hinge of the arch truss, taken with a coefficient $1/f$ (Figure 6.2, d).

The internal force N_1 may be calculated using section I – I and moment point 1 (Figure 6.2, a).

If the unit force is located to the left of the section, then, considering the equilibrium of the right part of the truss, we get:

$$\sum M_1^{right} = 0; \quad -R_B 8d + H4a - N_1 a = 0;$$

$$N_1 = 4H - \frac{8d}{a} R_B.$$

It means that

$$Inf.Line N_1 = (Inf.Line H) \cdot 4 - (Inf.Line R_B) \cdot \frac{8d}{a}$$

When the unit force moves to the right of the dissected panel, from the equation of equilibrium of the left forces we find:

$$\sum M_1^{left} = 0; \quad R_A 2d - H4a + N_1 a = 0; \quad N_1 = 4H - \frac{2d}{a} R_A.$$

It means that

$$Inf.Line N_1 = (Inf.Line H) \cdot 4 - (Inf.Line R_A) \cdot \frac{2d}{a}.$$

In the length of the dissected panel, we draw a transition line. The influence line for the internal force N_1 is shown in Figure 6.2, e.

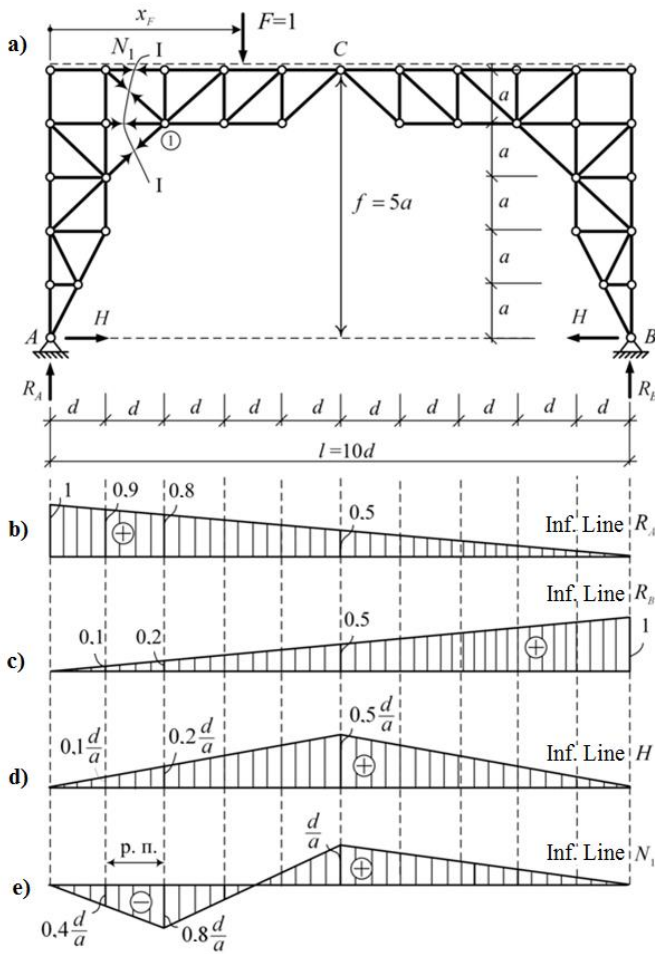


Figure 6.2

6.2. Calculation of Combined Systems

Structural systems, some of the elements of which work on bending, shear and tension-compression, and the other part only on tension-compression, are called combined systems. Such systems, for example, include: a beam with a hinged arch (Figure 6.3, a), three-hinged systems (arches, frames) with ties of various kinds (Figures 6.3, b, c, d), a beam

with a hinged chain (Figure 6.4, a), a suspension hinged chain with a stiffening beam (Figure 6.5) and many others.

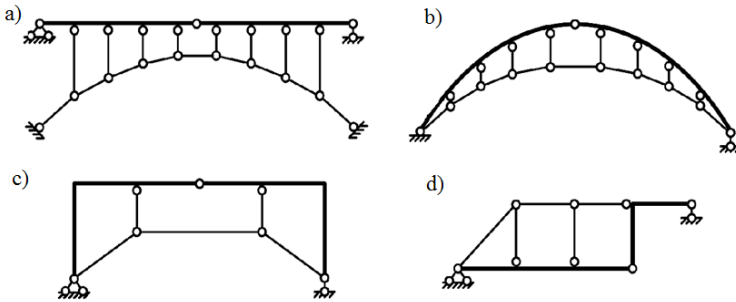


Figure 6.3

Features of the combined systems calculation will be discussed below on the examples of the calculation of a beam with a hinged chain (Figure 6.4, a) and a suspension system. (Figure 6.5, a)

6.3. Calculation of a beam with a hinged chain

A geometrically unchangeable and statically determinate beam with a hinged chain (Figure 6.4, a) is a structure, where the horizontal bars AC and CB connected by an intermediate hinge are strengthened by a polygonal hinged chain with vertical struts.

The horizontal reaction of support *A* is zero under any vertical load.

Vertical support reactions caused by a given load, we find from the equilibrium equations of the entire system:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum M_A = 0; \quad -R_B 5d + q 2d d = 0; \quad R_B = 0.4 q d; \\ \sum M_B = 0; \quad R_A 5d - q 2d 4d = 0; \quad R_A = 1.6 q d. \end{aligned}$$

We begin the calculation of internal forces by determining the force *H* in the rod 4-6 of the hinged chain. To do this, we draw section *I – I* through the named rod and hinge *C*. Considering the equilibrium of the right part, we obtain

$$\sum M_C^{right} = 0; \quad -R_B 2.5d + Hh = 0; \quad H = R_B \frac{2.5d}{h} = \frac{qd^2}{h}.$$

Then the internal forces in the rods of the chain and in the struts can be determined as in the rods of any truss (Figure 6.4, b).

After determining the forces in the elements of the chain and in the struts, the horizontal bars are calculated on the action of a given load and the forces transmitted by the members of the strengthening system (figure 6.4, d), like a simple beam. We recommend that the reader perform the corresponding calculations on their own.

Diagrams of internal forces are shown in Figure 6.4, e, f, g.

6.4. Calculation of a suspension system

The features of the influence lines construction for internal forces in the elements of combined systems can be considered using an example of a suspension system such as a hinged chain with a stiffening beam (Figure 6.5, a).

The procedure for determining the forces in the elements of this system is as follows.

To find the support reactions from the action of the load applied to the stiffening beam, the hinged chain must be cut at the points A' and B' located vertically above the supports A and B (Figure 6.5, a). The longitudinal forces in the cut rods can be decomposed into horizontal and vertical components V'_A, H'_A and V'_B, H'_B . Having compiled the equilibrium equations of the lower part of the system in the form of sums of moments relative to points A' and B' , the sums of the vertical components $R_A = V_A + V'_A$ and $R_B = V_B + V'_B$ may be found:

$$\sum M_{A'} = 0; \quad 1x - R_B l = 0; \quad R_B = \frac{x}{l}; \quad (6.1)$$

$$\sum M_{B'} = 0; \quad -1(l - x) + R_A l = 0; \quad R_A = \frac{l - x}{l}. \quad (6.2)$$

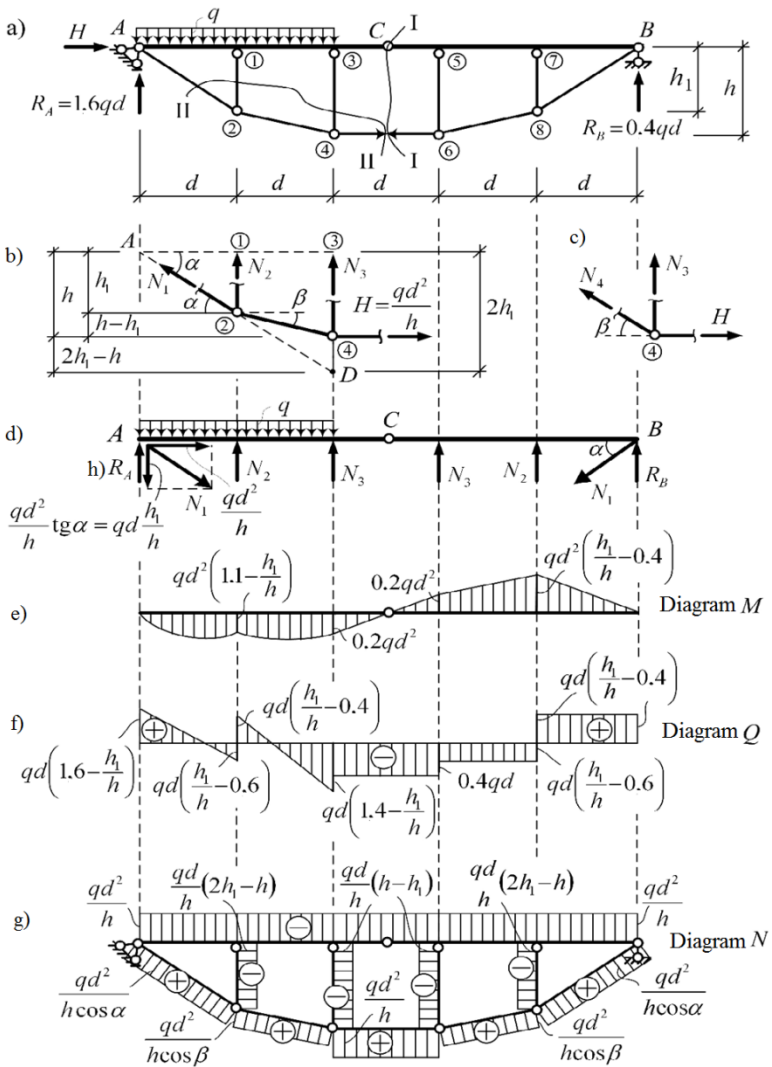


Figure 6.4

From the equations of equilibrium of the hinged chain nodes at the junctions of the vertical suspensions (Figure 6.6, b, c, d) or of a fragment (Figure 6.6, a) it follows that the horizontal component of the longitudinal forces in the chain elements is constant and equal to the thrust of system H .

To find the thrust H , we draw section $II - II$, passing through the hinge C and the horizontal chain rod (Figure 6.5, a). Having compiled the sum of the moments of forces relative to the hinge C for one of the parts of the system, for example, for the left, we get:

$$\sum M_C^{left} = 0; \quad R_A \frac{l}{2} - 1 \left(\frac{l}{2} - x \right) + Hh - H(h + f) = 0.$$

Or, considering that

$$R_A \frac{l}{2} - 1 \left(\frac{l}{2} - x \right) = M_C^0, \quad (6.3)$$

get the formula for determining the horizontal component H

$$H = \frac{M_C^0}{f}. \quad (6.4)$$

From the conditions for the expansion of the longitudinal force in the chain element at the point A' (Figure 6.6, a), we find the vertical component V_A' :

$$V_A' = H \operatorname{tg} \alpha_3.$$

Similarly, the component V_B' is determined.

After that we find the support reactions V_A and V_B :

$$V_A = R_A - V_A'; \quad V_B = R_B - V_B'. \quad (6.5)$$

With the known horizontal component H , the total forces in the chain elements will be equal

$$N_i = \frac{H}{\cos \alpha_i}.$$

Suspension forces are determined from the equilibrium equations of the nodes (Figures 6.6, b, c, d).

To determine the internal forces in the section K of the beam, we draw a strictly vertical section through K and consider the equilibrium of the left part (Figure 6.7).

We decompose the longitudinal force in the cut chain element into the horizontal and vertical components H and V_l . The bending moment and the transverse force in the cross section K will be equal to:

$$\begin{aligned} M_K &= (V_A + V'_A)x_K - F(x_K - x) - H(h + f) + H(h + f - y_K) = \\ &= R_A x_K - 1(x_K - x) - H y_K = M_K^0 - H y_K, \end{aligned} \quad (6.6)$$

$$Q_K = (V_A + V'_A) - F - H \operatorname{tg} \alpha_1 = R_A - 1 - H \operatorname{tg} \alpha_1 = Q_K^0 - H \operatorname{tg} \alpha_1, \quad (6.7)$$

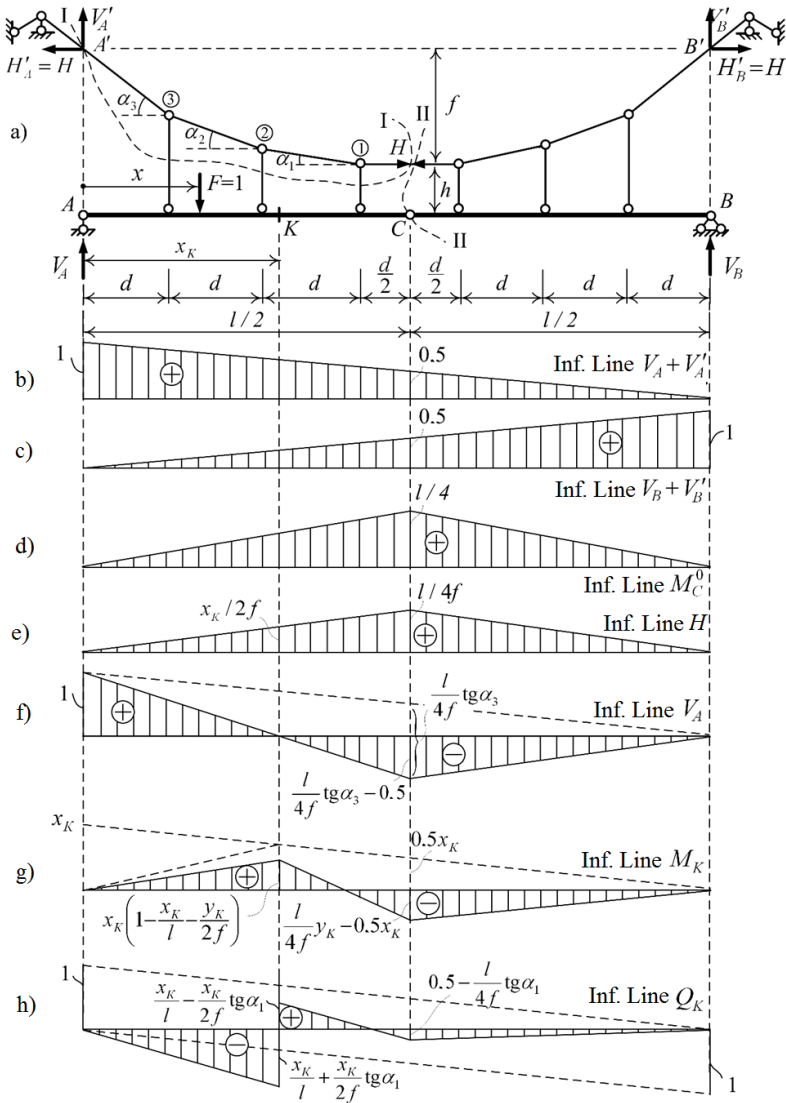


Figure 6.5

where M_K^0 and Q_K^0 are the bending moment and the transverse force in

the corresponding section of a simple two-support beam having the same span and the same load as the system under consideration.

Based on the obtained dependencies for determining the support reactions and efforts, it is possible to construct the necessary lines of influence.

So, using formulas (6.1) and (6.2), we build the influence lines $R_A = V_A + V'_A$ (Figure 6.5, b) and $R_B = V_B + V'_B$ (Figure 6.5, c). As for a simple beam, the influence line for the beam bending moment M_C^0 is constructed (Figure 6.5, d). According to the formula (6.4), the influence line for the component H is built (Figure 6.5, e), and on the basis of (6.5) the influence line for the reaction V_A (Figure 6.5, e) is constructed.

According to formulas (6.6) and (6.7), the influence lines of the bending moment M_K (Figure 6.5, g) and the transverse force Q_K (Figure 6.5, h) are plotted.

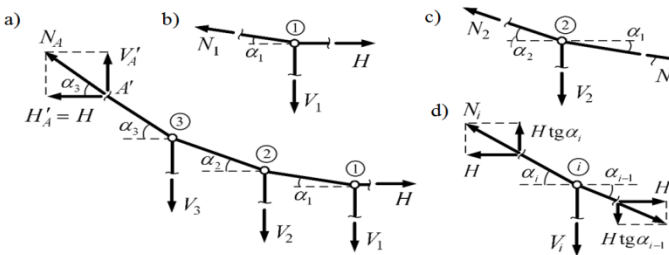


Figure 6.6

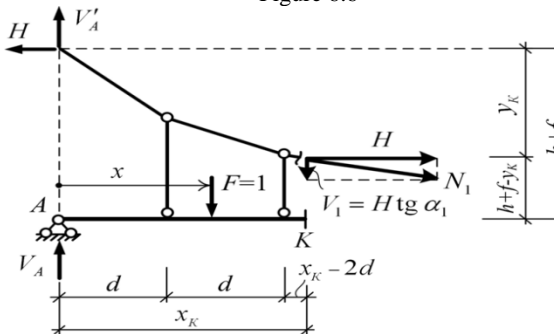


Figure 6.7

THEME 7.
BASIC THEOREMS OF STRUCTURAL MECHANICS
AND DETERMINATION OF DISPLACEMENTS

7.1. Bars Systems Displacements. General Information

When the load is applied to a structure (we will denote this factor by F), when the temperature changes (t) or the supports are displaced (c), linear deflections of its points and the angles of rotation of its cross-sections appear.

In Figure 7.1 the solid line shows the initial state (before the external load applied) of the frame elements, the dashed line shows the state after loading (deformed state). The cross-section K has moved to the position K_1 . The angle φ describes the rotation of the cross-section, the section KK_1 (not shown in the diagram) describes the linear displacements of the cross-section K .

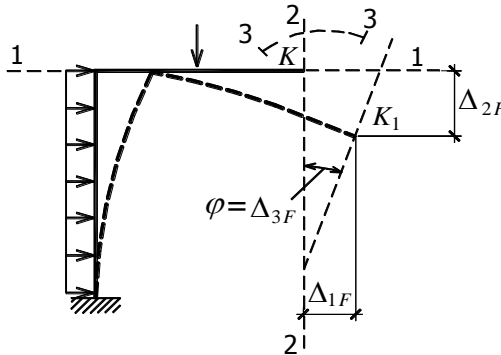


Figure 7.1

The linear displacement of the cross-section K in a direction that does not coincide with the true one can be determined by finding the projection of the segment KK_1 on this direction. In engineering calculations, the displacements of the cross-section in the vertical and horizontal directions are often determined.

The displacements are determined by checking the rigidity of structures, by calculating them for stability and vibrations, and also by calculating statically indeterminate systems.

The displacement of any cross-section is usually denoted with a symbol Δ (delta) with two indices, the first of which indicates the direction of displacement, and the second one indicates the reason that caused the displacement. So, for example, Δ_{1F} is denoted the displacement of the cross-section in the 1st direction, caused by an external load. The sense of the notation Δ_{2F} and Δ_{3F} is revealed with the help of Figure 7.1. Then, it will be necessary to determine the displacements in the direction of several concentrated forces F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n action. Then Δ_{iF} should be read as follows: this is the displacement of the application point of the force F_i in its direction caused by the load F .

The displacement in the i -th direction caused by the temperature effect is denoted as Δ_{it} , the displacement in the i -th direction caused by the displacement of the supports is denoted as Δ_{ic} .

Determination of displacements in linearly deformable systems is based on general theorems on elastic systems.

7.2. Work of External Statically Applied Forces

The load on any structure causes the movement of the structure from the initial state to a new, deformed one. We will consider such a load that is applied to the structure so slowly, smoothly, that the resulting accelerations of its elements, and therefore, the inertial forces of their masses can be neglected. The loading process is called static, and the corresponding load is called static.

Let a rod made of a nonlinear elastic material undergo tensile force F (Figure 7.2).

The stress-strain diagram of this material is shown in Figure 7.3.

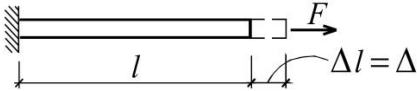


Figure 7.2

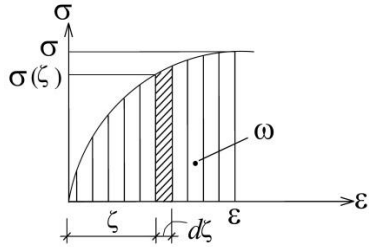


Figure 7.3

The area of the diagram ω , as is known from the course “Strength of materials”, is equal to the specific potential energy u_0 (in other words, the energy density is the energy referred to the unit of the initial volume of the element) under a linear stress state.

If we change the scale of the diagram $\sigma - \varepsilon$ ordinates by introducing the dependencies $N = \sigma A$ and $\Delta l = \varepsilon l$, then we can get the dependence “load-displacement” that is often used in the practice of calculations (Figure 7.4).

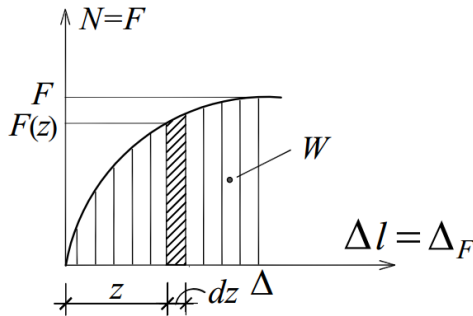


Figure 7.4

In this figure symbol z denotes some intermediate absolute elongation of the rod caused by force $F(z)$, and symbol Δ denotes the displacement corresponding to the final (maximum) value of the force F .

The work performed by force with infinitely small increase in displacement by dz is determined by the expression: $dW = F(z) dz$.

Summing up the elementary work over the entire range of displacements change we obtain a formula for determining the work performed by a statically applied external force F :

$$W = \int_0^{\Delta} F(z) dz .$$

For a linear-elastic rod, the ratio between force and displacement is linear (Figure 7.5). Therefore, $F(z) = k z$, where k is the stiffness coefficient of the rod.

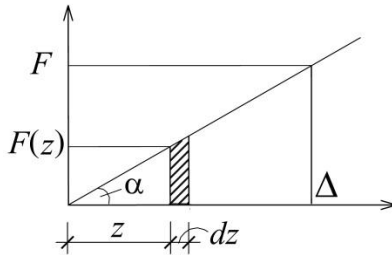


Figure 7.5

The final value F of the force corresponds to displacement Δ . The work of the statically applied force is calculated by the expression:

$$W = \int_0^{\Delta} F(z) dz = \int_0^{\Delta} k z dz = \frac{kz^2}{2} \Big|_0^{\Delta} = k \frac{\Delta^2}{2} .$$

Since $k = \operatorname{tg} \alpha = \frac{F}{\Delta}$, then $W = \frac{F \Delta}{2}$.

The work of an external statically applied force is equal to half the product of the value of this force by the value of the displacement caused by it (Clapeyron's theorem (1799–1864)). The work of a statically applied force on the displacement caused by the same force is called actual work.

In the general case, by force it is necessary to understand not only concentrated force, but also moment and distributed load. The corresponding

displacements will be linear displacement in the direction of the force, angular in the direction of the moment, and the area of the displacement diagram at the action region of the distributed load.

With the mutual action on the system of several statically applied forces, their work is calculated as half the sum of the products of each force on the corresponding total displacement:

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \sum^i F_i \Delta_i . \quad (7.1)$$

For example, with a static action on the beam of concentrated forces F_1 , F_2 and of concentrated moment M (Figure 7.6) the actual work of external forces is equal to:

$$W = \frac{F_1 \Delta_1}{2} + \frac{F_2 \Delta_2}{2} - \frac{M \varphi}{2} .$$

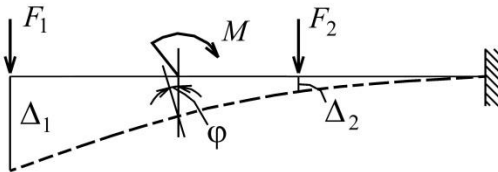


Figure 7.6

The minus sign in the last term of the expression is accepted because the direction of the angle φ of rotation of the cross-section of the beam and the direction of the moment M are opposite.

7.3. Work of the Internal Forces in a Plane Linear-Elastic Bars System

Under the static action of external forces on a deformable system, internal forces arise in its cross-sections. To determine the work of these forces, we cut out an element of length dx (Figure 7.7, a) with the help of infinitely close located cross-sections (Figure 7.7, b).

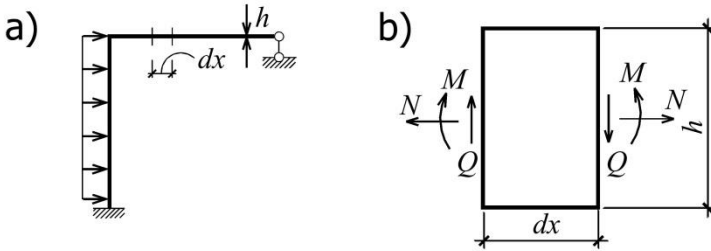


Figure 7.7

With respect to this element, the forces N , M and Q , which replaces the action of the discarded parts of the system on the selected element, are external. Internal forces are equal to them, but opposite in direction. Internal forces resist element deformations. Therefore, the work of internal forces is always negative.

Note – In the formulas of Section 7.3 and below, the following notation will be used:

A – is an area of the bars cross-section;

J – is an axial moment of inertia of a cross-section; the denote of the moment of inertia J_y in the Zhuravsky's formula is associated with the axes in Figure 7.9;

EA – is a rigidity of the bar in tension-compression;

EJ – is a bending rigidity of the bar;

GA – is a shear rigidity of the bar.

The impact on the element of longitudinal forces N causes it to stretch by value $\Delta dx = \frac{N dx}{EA}$ (Figure 7.8, a). On this displacement, a statically rising external force N will perform elementary actual work:

$dW_N = \frac{1}{2} N \Delta dx = \frac{N^2 dx}{2EA}$. The work of the internal longitudinal forces

dA_N will be equal to it, but negative (the directions of the internal forces

and the corresponding deformations are opposite). Consequently,

$$dA_N = -dW_N = -\frac{N^2 dx}{2EA}.$$

At the angular displacement $d\varphi$ of the cross-sections caused by the action of the bending moment M (Figure 7.8, b) its work will be equal to $-\frac{1}{2}M d\varphi$.

Using the formula for determining the curvature $\frac{1}{\rho} = -\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{M}{EJ}$ of the axis of the bar, the expression of the angle of mutual rotation of the cross-sections can be written in the form $d\varphi = \frac{dx}{\rho} = \frac{M dx}{EJ}$. Then

$$dA_M = -\frac{M^2 dx}{2EJ}.$$

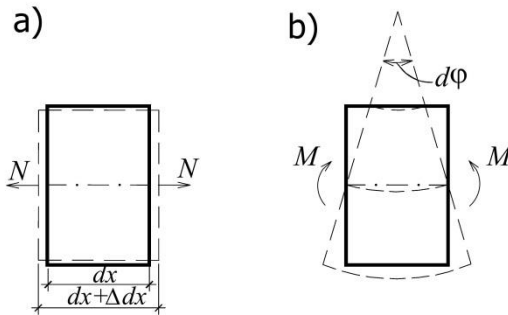


Figure 7.8

The tangential stresses in the cross-section, determined by the Zhuravsky's formula:

$$\tau = \frac{Q S_y^{cut}}{J_y b(z)},$$

cause a mutual shear of the cross-sections $\Delta_Z = \gamma dx = \frac{\tau}{G} dx$ (Figure 7.9).

To determine their work, we select the corresponding strips with an area dA at the ends of the element dx . Given the static nature of the load, we find that:

$$dA_Q = -\frac{1}{2} \int_A (\tau dA) \Delta_Z = -\frac{dx}{2G} \int_A \tau^2 dA =$$

$$= -\frac{Q^2 dx}{2G} \int_A \left(\frac{S_y^{cut}}{J_y b(z)} \right)^2 dA = -\frac{\mu Q^2 dx}{2GA},$$

where $\mu = A \int_A \left(\frac{S_y^{cut}}{J_y b(z)} \right)^2 dA$ – is the dimensionless coefficient depending on the shape of the cross-sectional area.

For a rectangular cross-section $\mu = 1,2$; for round cross-section $\mu = 1,18$; for rolling I-beams approximately μ is equal to the ratio of the area of the I-beam to the area of its wall.

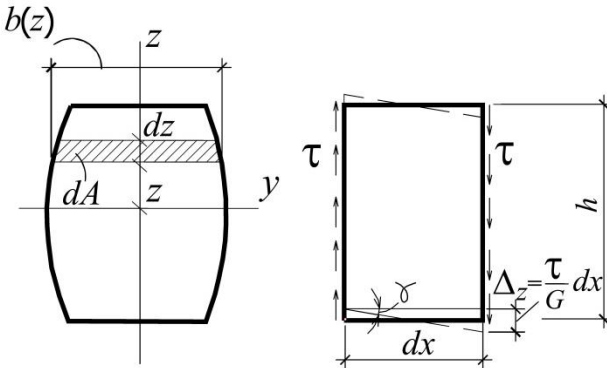


Figure 7.9

We obtain the full actual work of the internal forces of a plane bars system by integrating the expressions for elementary work along the length of each

part of the bar and summing over all parts of the system. The total actual work of internal forces is equal to:

$$A_{\text{int}} = -\sum \int \frac{N^2 dx}{2EA} - \sum \int \frac{M^2 dx}{2EJ} - \sum \int \frac{\mu Q^2 dx}{2GA}. \quad (7.2)$$

Since in the formula (7.2) value N , M and Q are squared, the work of internal forces is always negative.

The relationship between loads and displacements (forces) is linear in linearly deformable systems. The relationship between the load and work, as follows from formula (7.2), is non-linear. The actual work of a group of simultaneously acting external forces is not equal to the sum of the actual works caused by each of the forces individually. The superposition principle of the action of forces in calculating the actual work is not applicable.

7.4. Application of Virtual Displacements Principle to Elastic Systems

We expand the concepts presented in section 2.4.

An elastic system loaded by a given external action takes a definite deformed position. The displacements of the system points counted from the initial (undeformed) state of the system till their corresponding positions in the deformed state are actual displacements.

We set the virtual displacements for the considered system. Since the position of the elastic system in a deformed state is characterized by an infinitely large number of parameters, such a system is a system with an infinitely large number of degrees of freedom. The number of virtual displacements will also be infinitely large.

As noted in section 2.4, while "passing" system from the deformed state to a new, which takes into account the virtual displacements, external actions and internal forces do not change. Therefore, the work of external and internal forces on virtual displacements must be determined by the expressions:

$$W^{(\text{virt})} = \sum F_i \Delta_i,$$

where F_i – generalized forces;

Δ_i – corresponding generalized displacement;

$$A_{\text{int}}^{(\text{virt})} = -\sum S_i e_i,$$

where S_i – generalized internal forces;
 e_i – corresponding generalized deformations.

The work of internal forces is always negative.

The formal notation of the principle of virtual displacements is the same as in section 2.4:

$$W^{(\text{virt})} + A_{\text{int}}^{(\text{virt})} = 0.$$

It is assumed that the constraints are ideal in an elastic system, and for virtual displacements, no work is required to overcome friction or to generate and release heat, etc. This is taken into account in inelastic systems.

In practical applications, virtual displacements are the small displacements that can be caused by force actions or other ones. For example, for the beam state shown in Figure 7.10 (state “ i ”), as virtual displacements one can take the displacements of the same beam loaded with another group of forces (state “ k ”). Then the virtual work of the external forces of the state “ i ” at the displacements of the state “ k ” is written in the form:

$$W^{(\text{virt})} = F_1 \Delta_{1k} + F_2 \Delta_{2k}.$$

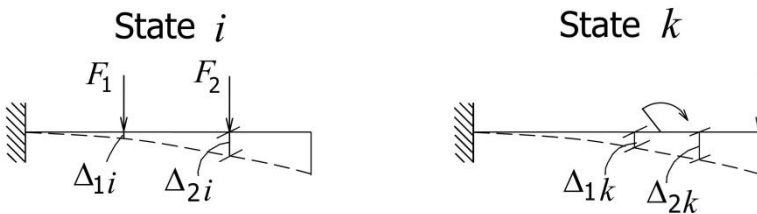


Figure 7.10

The virtual work of the internal forces of the state “ i ” on the beam deformations in the state “ k ” will be equal to:

$$A_{\text{int}}^{(\text{virt})} = -\sum \int N_i \frac{N_k dx}{EA} - \sum \int M_i \frac{M_k dx}{EJ} - \sum \int \mu Q_i \frac{Q_k dx}{GA}.$$

The principle of virtual displacements is one of the basic principles of mechanics. It allows one to find equilibrium conditions, which are very important, without determining unknown links reactions.

If actual displacements are taken for virtual displacements, then the virtual work of external and internal forces will be determined by the expressions:

$$W^{(\text{virt})} = \sum^i F_i \Delta_i,$$

$$A_{\text{int}}^{(\text{virt})} = -\sum \int \frac{N^2 dx}{EA} - \sum \int \frac{M^2 dx}{EJ} - \sum \int \frac{\mu Q^2 dx}{GA}, \quad (7.3)$$

where $W^{(\text{virt})}$ is virtual work of external forces;

$A_{\text{int}}^{(\text{virt})}$ is virtual work of internal forces.

Note that the concept of the virtual displacement (indicated by a symbol δ) was introduced by Lagrange. In the classical treatise "Analytical Mechanics" (1788; Russian transl., Vols. 1–2, 2 ed., 1950), he considered the “general formula”, which is the principle of virtual displacements, as the basis of all statics, and the “general formula”, which is a combination of the principle of virtual displacements with the D'Alembert principle, he considered as the basis of all dynamics.

7.5. Theorems of Reciprocity Works and Displacements

Suppose that a linearly deformable system (Figure 7.11, a) is sequentially loaded first with force F_i , and then with force F_k .

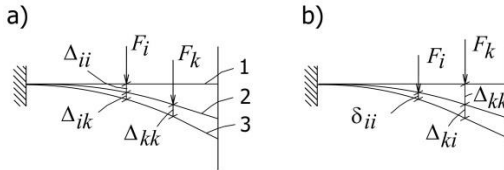


Figure 7.11

When the beam proceeds from position 1 to position 2, then the actual work of the force F_i on the displacement Δ_{ii} is equal to $W_{ii} = \frac{1}{2} F_i \Delta_{ii}$.

When the beam proceeds from position 2 to position 3, then the actual work of the force F_k is equal to $W_{kk} = \frac{1}{2} F_k \Delta_{kk}$, and the force F_i , remaining unchanged at this time, does the virtual work $W_{ik} = F_i \Delta_{ik}$ on the displacement Δ_{ik} . The total work of two forces will be equal to:

$$W_1 = W_{ii} + W_{kk} + W_{ik}.$$

If the beam is loaded in the reverse sequence (first by force F_k , and then by force F_i (Figure 7.11, b)), then we obtain:

$$W_2 = W_{kk} + W_{ii} + W_{ki}.$$

Since the value of the work of external forces is equal to the potential energy of the system and, regardless of the loading sequence, in both cases the initial and final positions of the beam coincide, then $W_1 = W_2$. So, we have the equation:

$$W_{ik} = W_{ki}. \quad (7.4)$$

In expanded form:

$$F_i \Delta_{ik} = F_k \Delta_{ki}.$$

A formal record of the theorem of reciprocity work is obtained (Betty's theorem (1823–1892)): **the work of the forces of the state “*i*” on the displacements of the state “*k*” is equal to the work of the forces of the state “*k*” on the displacements of the state “*i*”.**

Note, that in the above formulation, the term “force” should be understood as “generalized force”, which can be a group of forces, and the term “displacement” as “generalized displacement”.

A similar dependence exists for the virtual work of internal forces on the corresponding deformations. Then the statement of the theorem of reciprocity work can be given in the following form: **the virtual work of the external (internal) forces of the state *i* on the displacements (deformations) of the state *k* is equal to the work of the external (internal) forces of the state *k* on the displacements (deformations) of the state *i*.**

Example. A beam (Figure 7.12) of a constant section in state 1 is loaded with a uniformly distributed load of intensity q , and in state 2 it is loaded with a concentrated moment M applied at the end point. Show the validity of the theorem of reciprocity work.

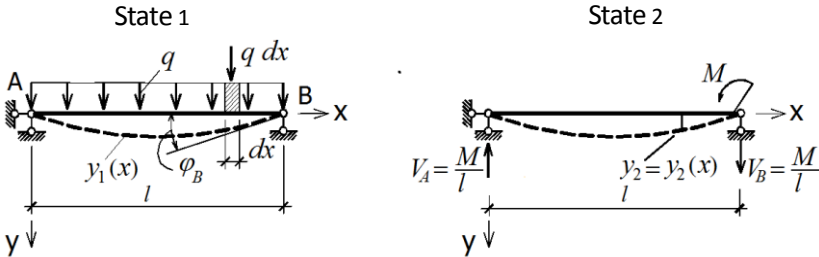


Figure 7.12

The generalized force in state 1 is the load q . Its virtual work is defined as the sum of elementary works of the forces $q dx$ on the displacement y_2 of the state 2:

$$W_{12} = \int_0^l q dx y_2 = q \int_0^l y_2 dx = q \omega,$$

where ω is the area of the diagram of the vertical displacements of the beam in the state 2.

To determine ω we find the equation of the bended axis of the beam. The differential equation of the bended axis is written in the form:

$$EJ y_2''(x) = -\frac{M}{l} x.$$

Sequential integrating gives:

$$EJ y_2'(x) = -\frac{M}{2l} x^2 + c_1,$$

$$EJ y_2(x) = -\frac{M}{6l} x^3 + c_1 x + c_2.$$

Using the boundary conditions $x=0 \quad y_2=0$ and $x=l \quad y_2=0$, we find:

$$EJ y_2(x) = \frac{M}{6} \left(-\frac{x^3}{l} + lx \right).$$

Then:

$$\omega = \int_0^l y_2(x) dx = \frac{M}{6EJ} \int_0^l \left(-\frac{x^3}{l} + lx \right) dx = \frac{M l^3}{24 EJ}.$$

The virtual work is:

$$W_{12} = \frac{q M l^3}{24 EJ}.$$

The virtual work of the concentrated moment M is $W_{21} = M \varphi_B$.

Displacements and angles of rotation of the beam in state 1 are determined from the equations:

$$y_1(x) = \frac{1}{EJ} \left[\frac{q l^3}{24} x - \frac{q l}{12} x^3 + \frac{q x^4}{24} \right],$$

$$y_1'(x) = \frac{1}{EJ} \left[\frac{q l^3}{24} - \frac{q l}{4} x^2 + \frac{q x^3}{6} \right].$$

When $x = l$ $y_1'(x) = \phi_B = -\frac{q l^3}{24 EJ}$.

The direction of action of the moment M coincides with the direction of displacement φ_B , therefore:

$$W_{21} = \frac{M q l^3}{24 EJ}.$$

Consequently, $W_{12} = W_{21}$.

If the generalized forces in the states “ i ” and “ k ” are equal to one (displacements from unit forces are indicated by the symbol δ , Figure 7.13), then it follows from theorem (7.4) that:

$$\delta_{ik} = \delta_{ki}. \tag{7.5}$$

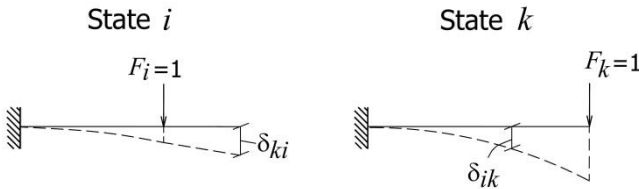


Figure 7.13

Equality (7.5) expresses one of the general properties of linearly deformable systems and is a formal record of the theorem of reciprocity displacements (Maxwell's theorem (1831–1879)): **displacement in the i -th direction from the k -th unit force is equal to displacement in the k -th direction from the i -th unit force.**

Remark on the dimension of displacement δ_{ik} . The generalized displacement Δ_{ik} , caused by the generalized force F_k , is defined as $\Delta_{ik} = \delta_{ik} F_k$. Therefore, the dimension of displacement δ_{ik} is obtained in the form:

$$\text{dimension of } \delta_{ik} = \frac{\text{dimension of } \Delta_{ik}}{\text{dimension of } F_k}.$$

For example, when loading the beams shown in Figure 7.14, we have:

$$\delta_{21} = \frac{\Delta_{21}}{F_1}, \quad \text{dimension of } \delta_{21} = \text{rad/kN} = \text{kN}^{-1};$$

$$\delta_{12} = \frac{\Delta_{12}}{F_2}, \quad \text{dimension of } \delta_{12} = \text{m}/(\text{kN}\cdot\text{m}) = \text{kN}^{-1}.$$

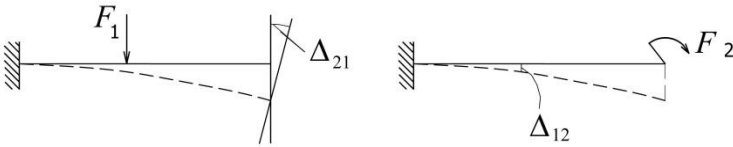


Figure 7.14

Displacements δ_{12} and δ_{21} have the same dimension.

7.6. General Formula for Determining Plane Bars System Displacements

Suppose that the bars system (Figure 7.15, a) has been deformed under the influence of given actions, and it is required to determine the displacement of any of its points i in a predetermined direction that does not necessarily coincide with the true direction of displacement of this point. Considered system state we denote as a “state a ”, and internal forces in the cross-sections of the elements we denote by N_a, M_a, Q_a . In general, there are elongation $\Delta dx = \varepsilon dx$, bending $d\varphi = \kappa dx$ and shear $\Delta_z = \gamma dx$ deformations in the infinitesimal element of this system in the deformed state. Here, dx is the length of the element, ε is the relative elongation (shortening) of the element, $\kappa = \frac{1}{\rho}$ is the curvature of the bended axis, γ – is the relative shear (angle of shear) of the edges of the element.

To determine the required displacement we consider the auxiliary (fictitious) state of the system. In this auxiliary state, we attach a unit generalized force to the same system in the direction of generalized unknown displacement (Figure 7.15, b).

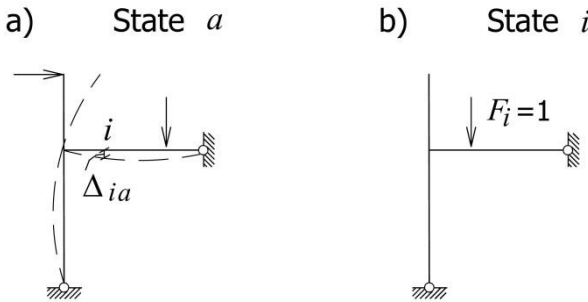


Figure 7.15

The internal forces in this state (state i) of the system are denoted by N_i, M_i, Q_i . Since this state is a state of equilibrium, the principle of virtual

displacements can be applied to it. For virtual displacements, we take the displacements caused by a given action. The total work of the external and internal forces of the state i on the displacements of the state a should be equal to zero (7.3), that is:

$$W^{(virt)} + A_{int}^{(virt)} = 1 \Delta_{ia} - \sum \int N_i \varepsilon dx - \sum \int M_i \kappa dx - \sum \int Q_i \gamma dx = 0$$

Integration is carried out along the length of each bar or section of the bar, during which the integrand is a continuous function of a certain kind. Consequently,

$$\Delta_{ia} = \sum \int N_i \varepsilon dx + \sum \int M_i \kappa dx + \sum \int Q_i \gamma dx. \quad (7.6)$$

The obtained formula allows us to express the required displacement through deformations of the system elements in the state a , and the system itself can be both linear and physically nonlinear. The cause of the deformation of the elements is also insignificant: force impact, change in ambient temperature, creep of the material or other reasons. Therefore, formula (7.6) can be considered as a general formula for determining the displacements of bars systems.

The state of the system under the action of a given load is called loaded state (state F). From the course of resistance of materials it is known that the deformations of elements of a linearly deformable system in this state are determined through internal forces as follows:

$$\varepsilon dx = \frac{N_F dx}{EA}, \quad \kappa dx = \frac{M_F dx}{EJ}, \quad \gamma dx = \frac{\mu Q_F dx}{GA},$$

where EA, EJ, GA – the rigidity of the element, respectively, in tension (compression), bending and shear.

Substituting these expressions in (7.6), we obtain a formula for determining the displacements of a plane bar system in the following form:

$$\Delta_{iF} = \sum \int \frac{N_i N_F dx}{EA} + \sum \int \frac{M_i M_F dx}{EJ} + \sum \int \frac{\mu Q_i Q_F dx}{GA}. \quad (7.7)$$

This formula is called the Maxwell-Mohr formula for determining the displacements of elastic systems caused by a given load.

The relative contribution of each of the three terms of formula (7.7) to the final result depends on the type of the bars system and the nature of loading. In particular, it appears that the displacements in the beams depend mainly only on the second term (bending moments); the proportion of the term, taking into account the influence of shear forces, is a negligible fraction of the final value Δ_{iF} . Therefore, with sufficient accuracy for practical purposes, the displacements of systems that primarily perceive bending can be calculated by the formula:

$$\Delta_{iF} = \sum \int \frac{M_i M_F dx}{EJ}.$$

For the same reason, the calculations (especially “manually”) of the frame and arch systems neglect the influence of longitudinal and shear forces in determining displacements. At the same time, the automated calculation of these systems using computer programs is carried out, as a rule, taking into account bending moments and longitudinal forces in determining displacements.

In elements of trusses with hinged joints only longitudinal forces arise from the node loads. Therefore, the determination of the displacements of nodes in the trusses is made according to the formula:

$$\Delta_{iF} = \sum \int_0^l \frac{N_i N_F dx}{EA}.$$

Since with a nodal load on the truss, the longitudinal force along the length of the rod does not change, then, provided that the rigidity of each rod is constant, the formula is rewritten in the form:

$$\Delta_{iF} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{N_{ki} N_{kF} l_k}{EA_k}, \quad (7.8)$$

where l_k – the length of the k -th rod;

n – number of truss rods.

In this form (7.8), for the first time in 1864, J. Maxwell obtained a formula for determining the displacements of trusses. 10 years later, O. Mohr (1835–1918) developed a method for determining

displacements for the case of arbitrary deformations of the system (see formula (7.7)).

Let us explain the features of the choice of the auxiliary state. A single generalized force must be applied to the system in the direction of the corresponding generalized displacement. Their product, as you know, gives the work of force $F = 1$ on the required unknown displacement. If, for example, for the frame in the state F (Figure 7.16, a), it is necessary to determine the angle of rotation of any cross-section of the element, for example, the cross-section D , then in the auxiliary state in this section it is necessary to apply a single concentrated moment $M_1 = 1$ (Figure 7.16, b), and then the virtual work of the external force in the state “1” on the displacement of the state “ F ” will be equal $M_1\varphi = 1 \cdot \Delta_{1F}$. Subsequently, the index of the unit load in the auxiliary state will determine the number of this state.

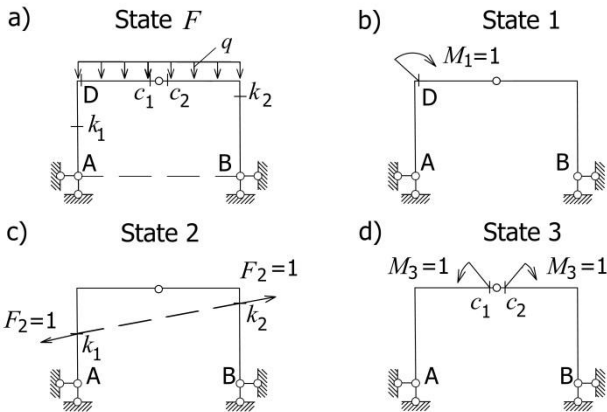


Figure 7.16

If it is necessary to determine the change in the distance between points k_1 and k_2 , then in the auxiliary state (state 2) two unit forces directed in opposite sides should be applied along the direction of the line connecting these points (Figure 7.16, c); if it is necessary to find the angle of mutual rotation of the cross-sections c_1 and c_2 , then in the auxiliary state (state 3), two opposite-directional moments should be applied in these cross-sections (Figure 7.16, d) each being equal to the unit.

The directions of unit forces given in auxiliary states correspond to positive directions of displacement Δ_{iF} . If the result of the calculation is $\Delta_{iF} < 0$, then it will mean that the required displacement is directed in the direction opposite to the direction of the force $F_i = 1$.

7.7. Mohr Integrals. Ways for Calculation

The problem of calculating displacements using the Mohr's formula reduces to calculating integrals of the form

$$\int_a^b \frac{M_i M_F dx}{EJ},$$

which are commonly called Mohr integrals. For relatively simple problems, the integrant

$$f(x) = \frac{M_i M_F}{EJ}$$

can be such that the indefinite integral $F(x)$ can be expressed using a finite number of elementary functions. Then a definite integral is calculated by the formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a).$$

Let us show, for example, the determination of the vertical displacement of cross-section 1 and the angle of rotation of cross-section 2 of the cantilever beam (Figure 7.17), loaded with a uniformly distributed load. The influence of only bending moments to deflection only we will take into account.

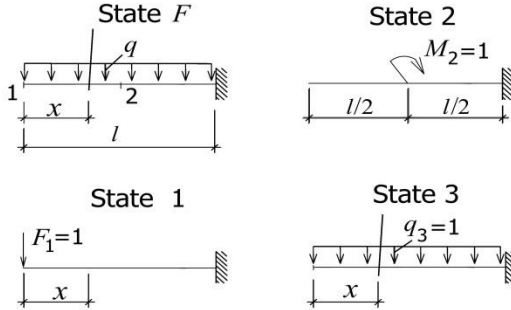


Figure 7.17

To determine the deflection, we use the auxiliary state 1. In the future, the designations of forces from dimensionless forces will be accompanied by the upper line. Then:

$$M_F = -0.5qx^2, \quad \bar{M}_1 = -1x.$$

Taking the bending rigidity of the beam EJ constant along its length, we obtain:

$$\Delta_1^{(vert)} = \Delta_{1F} = \int_0^l \frac{\bar{M}_1 M_F}{EJ} dx = \int_0^l \frac{1}{EJ} (-x) \left(-\frac{qx^2}{2}\right) dx = \frac{ql^4}{8EJ}.$$

To determine the angle of rotation of the cross-section in the middle of the beam, we use the auxiliary state 2. Then:

$$M_F = -\frac{qx^2}{2};$$

$$\bar{M}_2 = 0, \text{ if } 0 \leq x < \frac{l}{2};$$

$$\bar{M}_2 = 1, \text{ if } \frac{l}{2} \leq x \leq l:$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_2 = \Delta_{2F} &= \Sigma \int \frac{\overline{M}_2 M_F}{EJ} dx = \int_0^{\frac{l}{2}} \frac{1}{EJ} 0 \left(-\frac{qx^2}{2}\right) dx + \\ &+ \int_{\frac{l}{2}}^l \frac{1}{EJ} 1 \left(-\frac{qx^2}{2}\right) dx = \frac{-q}{2EJ} \left. \frac{x^3}{3} \right|_{\frac{l}{2}}^l = \frac{-7ql^3}{48EJ}. \end{aligned}$$

For the same example, when calculating the area of the deflection diagram using the auxiliary state 3 (the beam is loaded with a unit uniformly distributed load), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} M_F &= -\frac{qx^2}{2}, \quad \overline{M}_3 = -\frac{x^2}{2}, \\ \omega = \Delta_{3F} &= \int_0^l \frac{1}{EJ} \left(-\frac{qx^2}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx = \frac{q}{4EJ} \left. \frac{x^5}{5} \right|_0^l = \frac{ql^5}{20EJ}. \end{aligned}$$

The indicated method of calculating the Mohr integrals can lead to significant difficulties, since a very complex formula either can be obtained, or cannot be obtained at all for an indefinite integral $F(x)$.

In practice, integrals, such as $\int_a^b \frac{f_1(x) f_2(x)}{f_3(x)} dx$ are calculated graph-analytically or using numerical integration.

But for the case when the bar has constant rigidity in the integration area, that is $EJ = f_3(x) = const$, and one of the function $f_1(x)$ or $f_2(x)$ is linear, the method proposed by A. K. Vereshchagin is usually used. This method is one of the most effective methods of calculating definite integrals. Let us explain its essence.

We plot the graphs of functions $f_1(x)$ and $f_2(x)$, that is, diagrams of bending moments $\overline{M}_i(x)$ and $M_F(x)$ on the integration area (Figure 7.18).

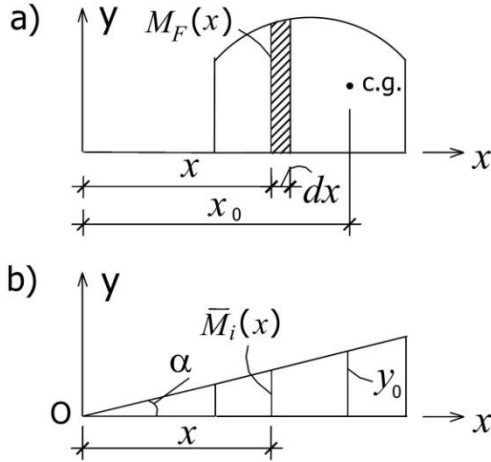


Figure 7.18

Suppose, for example, diagram \bar{M}_i is rectilinear (Figure 7.18, b). The reference point is the intersection point of the bar axis with the diagram inclined line. Then $\bar{M}_i(x) = x \operatorname{tg} \alpha$, and the Mohr integral is converted to

$$\int_a^b \frac{\bar{M}_i M_F}{EJ} dx = \frac{1}{EJ} \int_a^b x \operatorname{tg} \alpha \cdot M_F dx = \frac{\operatorname{tg} \alpha}{EJ} \int_a^b x M_F dx.$$

The integral $\int_a^b x M_F dx$, by definition, is the static moment of the area of the diagram M_F (Figure 7.18, a) relative to the axis y . The static moment is equal to the product of the area of this diagram by the distance from its center of gravity to the axis, that is:

$$\int_a^b x M_F dx = \omega x_0.$$

Given the ratio $x_0 = y_0 / \operatorname{tg} \alpha$, we get:

$$\int_a^b \frac{\overline{M}_i M_F dx}{EJ} = \frac{\omega y_0}{EJ}. \quad (7.9)$$

Thus, the Mohr integral is calculated by multiplying the area of the curvilinear diagram with the ordinate of the rectilinear diagram, taken under the center of gravity of the curvilinear one.

The process of calculating the integrals by Vereshchagin's method is sometimes called the “multiplication” of diagrams. The positive sign of the product ωy_0 is taken when the diagram M , whose area is denoted by ω , and the ordinate y have the same signs, i.e., when they are located on one side of the bar. In practice, one can be guided by a simpler rule: if both diagrams of efforts for certain section of the bar are located on one side of its axis, the result of their “multiplying” is accepted as positive, if diagrams are located on opposite sides of the bar, the result of their “multiplying” is accepted as negative.

When using the Vereshchagin's rule, complex diagrams of the internal forces should be represented as a sum of simple ones, for each of which formulas for area calculation and gravity center position are known. Examples of the simple diagrams are bending moment diagrams for cantilever or single-span beams loaded with concentrated force or uniformly distributed load (Figure 7.19).

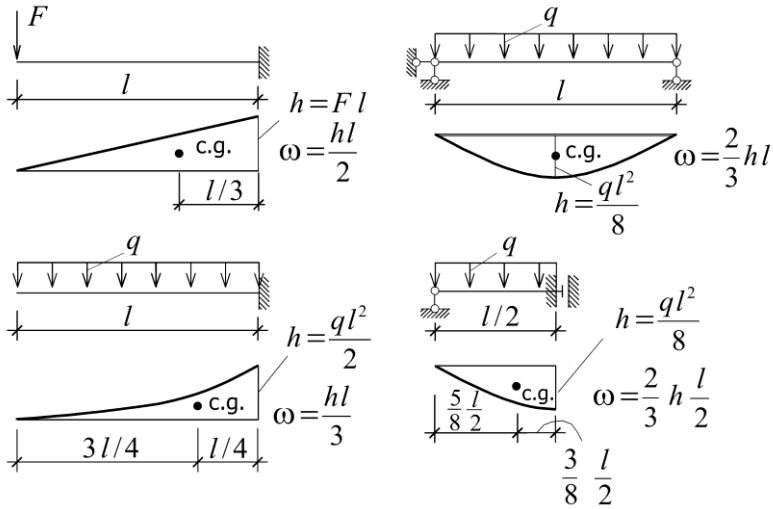


Figure 7.19

To obtain simple diagrams, the principle of independence of the action of forces should sometimes be used.

Example. Determine the vertical displacements of points A and B (Figure 7.20) of the beam with constant rigidity.

Diagrams of bending moments for a beam from a given load and unit forces are shown in Figure 7.20.

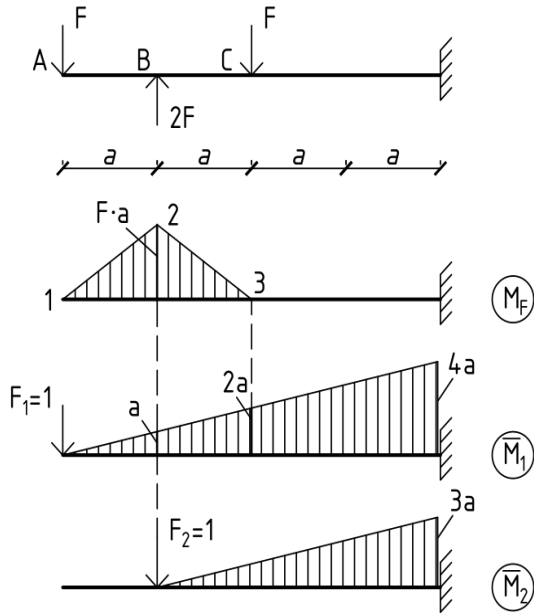


Fig 7.20

$$\Delta_{1F} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_1 M_F dx}{EJ} = \sum \frac{\omega y_0}{EJ} = \frac{1}{EJ} \frac{1}{2} Fa \cdot 2a \cdot a = \frac{Fa^3}{EJ}.$$

$$\Delta_{2F} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_2 M_F dx}{EJ} = \sum \frac{\omega y_0}{EJ} = \frac{1}{EJ} \frac{1}{2} Fa \cdot a \cdot \frac{1}{3} a = \frac{Fa^3}{6EJ}.$$

Example. Determine the vertical displacement of the point \$D\$ and the angle of rotation of the cross section \$C\$ of the beam with constant rigidity (Figure 7.21, a).

To determine the vertical displacement of a point D we load the beam with force $F_1 = 1$ (Figure 7.21, c) and construct the corresponding diagram of bending moments (Figure 7.21, d).

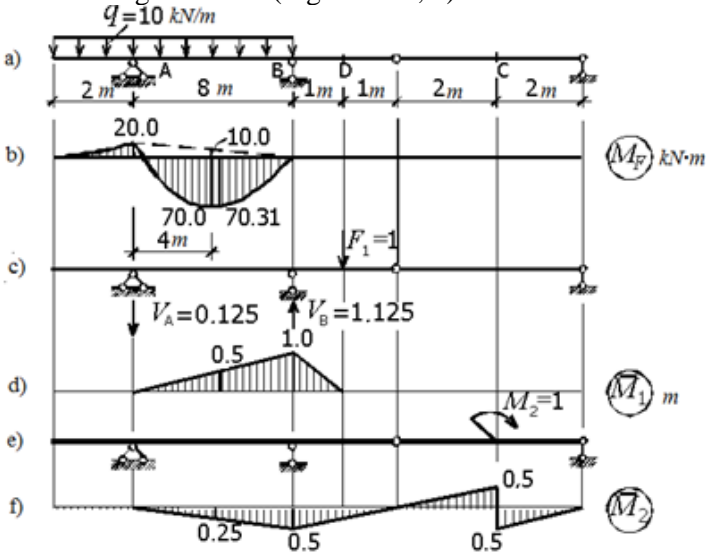


Figure 7.21

Using the principle of superposition, we represent the diagram M_F in the form of two simple ones (Figure 7.22) and determine the displacement according to the Vereshchagin's rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{1F} &= \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_1 M_F dx}{EJ} = \sum \frac{\omega y_0}{EJ} = \\ &= \frac{1}{EJ} \frac{1}{2} 20 \cdot 8 \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{EJ} \frac{2}{3} 80 \cdot 8 \cdot 0.5 = -\frac{186.67}{EJ} \text{ m.} \end{aligned}$$

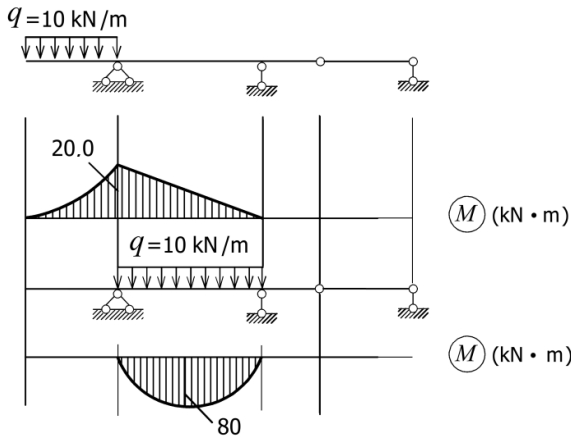


Figure 7.22

The auxiliary state for determining the angle of rotation of cross-section C is shown in Figure 7.21,e, and the corresponding diagram of bending moments is shown in Figure 7.21,f.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{2F} &= \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_2 M_F dx}{EJ} = -\frac{1}{EJ} \frac{1}{2} 20 \cdot 8 \frac{1}{3} 0.5 + \\ &+ \frac{1}{EJ} \frac{2}{3} 80 \cdot 8 \cdot 0.25 = \frac{93.33}{EJ} \text{ rad.} \end{aligned}$$

Example. Find the horizontal displacement of point A of the frame shown in Figure 7.23 a.

The auxiliary state (state 1) is shown in Figure 7.22, b. The bending moment diagrams corresponding to the frame states are shown in Figure 7.23, c,d.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{1F} &= \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_1 M_F dx}{EJ} = \frac{1}{EJ} \frac{1}{3} 16 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 + \frac{1}{2EJ} 6 \cdot 4 \frac{16+32}{2} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{EJ} \frac{1}{2} 32 \cdot 4 \frac{2}{3} 4 = \frac{1568}{3EJ} \text{ m.} \end{aligned}$$

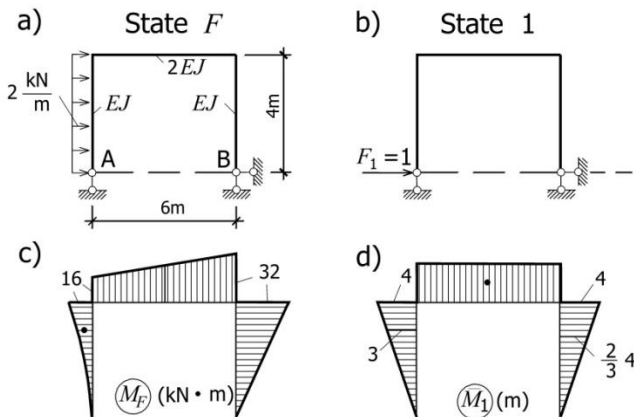


Figure 7.23

In this example, the required displacement is calculated as the sum of the integrals over three members. In each of them, the functions $\bar{M}_1(x)$ and $M_F(x)$ have well-defined analytical expressions. If through the length of one element the diagrams of moments are described by different functional dependencies, the element must be divided into the corresponding sections, the integrals must be calculated separately for each section, and the calculation results should be summarized.

Once again, we note that the Vereshchagin's method cannot be applied in the case when both diagrams are non-linear. So, for example, it cannot be applied to calculating the area of the diagram of the deflections of a beam loaded with a uniformly distributed load.

The same rule for calculating integrals can be applied to the other two terms in the Mohr's formula for determining displacements.

The value of a definite integral, as it is known, can be calculated using formulas of numerical integration, that are based on replacing the integral with a finite sum:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \sum_{k=0}^n c_k f(x_k),$$

where x_k are the points of the segment $[a, b]$;

c_k are the numerical coefficients.

Given equality, generally approximate, is called the quadrature formula, points x_k are the nodes of the quadrature formula, and numbers c_k are called coefficients of the quadrature formula. The error of the quadrature formula

$$\psi = \int_a^b f(x) dx - \sum_{k=0}^n c_k f(x_k)$$

depends both on the location of the nodes and on the choice of coefficients. Most often, a uniform grid of nodes is used in practical applications to the problems of structural mechanics; in this case, the initial integral is represented as the sum of the integrals over partial segments, on each of which a quadrature formula is applied.

The simplest quadrature formulas for one interval are the rectangle formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx (b-a) \cdot f\left(\frac{b+a}{2}\right)$$

and the trapezoid formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx (b-a) \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2}.$$

Naturally, even in the case of functions close to linear, the use of these formulas will lead to an error in the calculations of displacements.

If concentrated forces or uniformly distributed load act on a system composed of rectilinear elements, the diagram of bending moments on separate sections of the element is limited to a straight line or parabola. If it is necessary for this system to determine the linear or angular displacement of some point, in the auxiliary state, the contour of the diagram “ M ” due to the load $F_1 = 1$ will be determined by linear relationships $M(x)$. In this case, when $f_3(x) = const$, then the function

$f(x) = f_1(x) f_2(x)$ will be represented by a curve of the second or third degree. Then, on the segments of elements with constant rigidity, the Mohr integral can be calculated exactly using T. Simpson's formula (parabola formula):

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \frac{l}{6}(y_1 + 4y_2 + y_3), \quad (7.10)$$

where y_1, y_2, y_3 are the values of the function at the end points of the segment and in the middle of it (Figure 7.24).

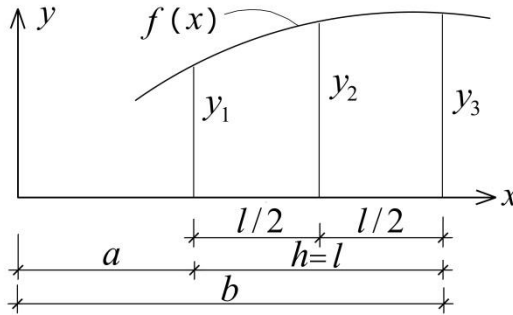


Figure 7.24

Simpson's formula is exact for any polynomial not higher than the third degree.

Using the Simpson's formula, we determine the vertical displacement of the cross-section D and the angle of rotation of the cross-section C for the beam shown in Figure 7.21:

$$\Delta_{1F} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_1 M_F dx}{EJ} = \frac{8}{6EJ} (0 - 4 \cdot 70 \cdot 0.5 + 0) = -\frac{186.67}{EJ}, m;$$

$$\Delta_{2F} = \frac{8}{6EJ} (0 + 4 \cdot 70 \cdot 0.25 + 0) = \frac{93.33}{EJ}, rad.$$

The obtained values of the displacements coincide with those ones found according to the Vereshchagin's rule.

Example. Determine the angle of mutual rotation of the ends of the beams, adjacent to the hinge C (Figure 7.25). The bending rigidity of the beams is constant.

Diagrams of bending moments for a beam from a given load and unit force are shown in Figure 7.25.

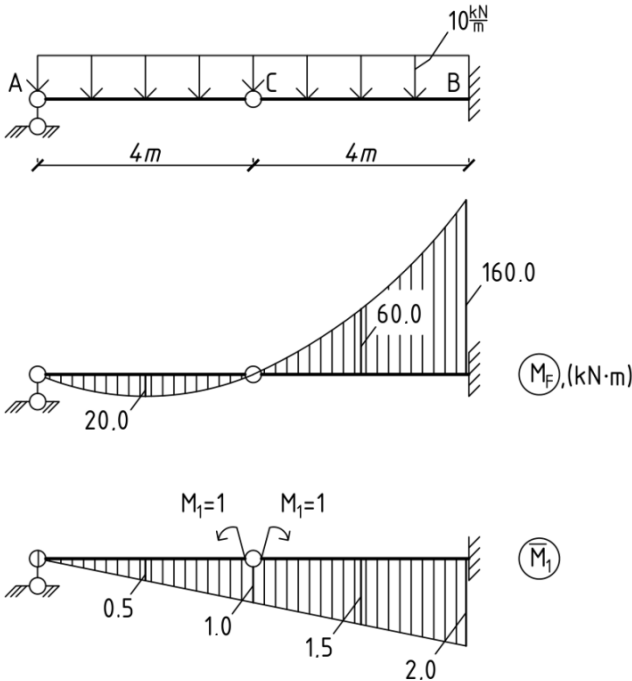


Figure 7.25

$$\Delta_{1F} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_1 M_F dx}{EJ} = \frac{1}{EJ} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 20 \cdot 4 \cdot 0.5 + \frac{4}{6EJ} (-4 \cdot 1.5 \cdot 60 - 2 \cdot 160) = -\frac{1280}{3EJ}.$$

We offer the reader to show how the same value of the displacement can be calculated easier.

Example. Determine the horizontal displacement of the end of the cantilever broken beam (Figure 7.26, a).

The diagram of bending moments caused by a given load is shown in Figure 7.26, b, from unit force $F_1 = 1$ is shown in Figure 7.26, c.

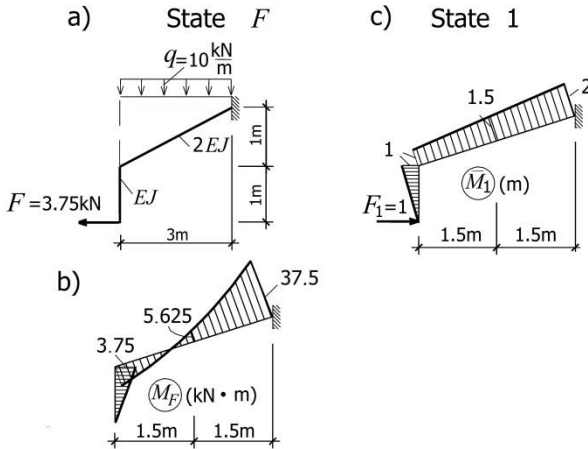


Figure 7.26

“Multiplication” of diagrams on a vertical element is made according to the Vereshchagin's rule, on an inclined one (its length is $\sqrt{10}$ m) - according to Simpson's formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{1F} &= -\frac{1}{EJ} \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 3.75 \frac{2}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{6 \cdot 2EJ} (-1 \cdot 3.75 + 4 \cdot 5.625 \cdot 1.5 + 37.5 \cdot 2) = \\ &= \frac{-1.25 + 8.75 \sqrt{10}}{EJ} = \frac{26.42}{EJ} \text{ m.} \end{aligned}$$

If a function in a certain section of the element is a more complex than a polynomial of the third degree, which is possible for elements of curvilinear shape, or the rigidity changes along the axis of the element, or

the load is non-uniformly distributed on it, the result of the calculation using the Simpson's formula will be approximate.

On a partial section, the error is estimated as follows:

$$|\psi| \leq \frac{h^5}{2880} M,$$

where

$$M = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |f^{IV}(x)|^*,$$

that is, on this section the Simpson's formula has accuracy $O(h^5)$, on the whole section accuracy is $O(h^4)$, while the trapezoid formula, like the formula of rectangles, has a second order of accuracy.

Example. Using the Simpson's formula, determine the area of the deflection's diagram of the cantilever beam with a constant cross-section, loaded with a uniformly distributed load.

Diagrams M_F and \bar{M}_1 are shown in Figure 7.27.

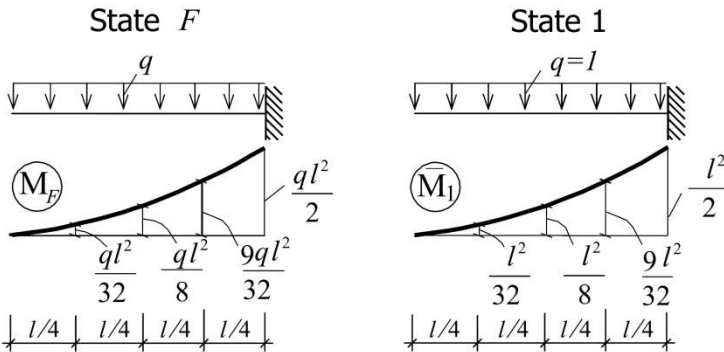


Figure 7.27

* Lat. *supremus* is the highest.

Here:

$$f(x) = M_F(x) \bar{M}_1(x) = \frac{qx^4}{4}.$$

For the variant with one section of length l we get:

$$\Delta_{1F} = \frac{l}{6EJ} \left(4 \frac{ql^2}{8} \frac{l^2}{8} + \frac{ql^2}{2} \frac{l^2}{2} \right) = \frac{ql^5}{19.2 EJ}.$$

The exact solution has been obtained earlier by direct integration.

Area is $\Delta_{1F} = \frac{ql^5}{20 EJ}.$

If we accept $\frac{q}{EJ} = 1$, then the calculation error is $\psi = \frac{l^5}{19.2} - \frac{l^5}{20} = 2.083 \cdot 10^{-3} l^5$, which corresponds to the previously given estimation $\frac{l^5}{2880} M = \frac{l^5}{2880} 6 = 2.083 \cdot 10^{-3} l^5$, where it is accepted, that:

$$M = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |f^{IV}(x)| = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} \left| \left(\frac{x^4}{4} \right)^{IV} \right| = 6.$$

For the variant with two sections of length $\frac{l}{2}$ we get:

$$\Delta_{1F} = \frac{l}{2 \cdot 6EJ} \left(4 \frac{ql^2}{32} \frac{l^2}{32} + \frac{ql^2}{8} \frac{l^2}{8} \right) + \frac{l}{2 \cdot 6EJ} \left(\frac{ql^2}{8} \frac{l^2}{8} + 4 \frac{9ql^2}{32} \frac{9l^2}{32} + \frac{ql^2}{2} \frac{l^2}{2} \right) \approx \frac{ql^5}{19.95 EJ}.$$

The error is equal $\psi = \frac{l^5}{19.95} - \frac{l^5}{20} = 1.253 \cdot 10^{-4} l^5$. On the entire integration interval, the error is estimated as follows:

$$|\psi| \leq \frac{h^4 (b-a)}{2880} M.$$

In this case $h = \frac{l}{2}$, $b-a = l$ and, therefore, $\psi < \frac{l^5}{16 \cdot 2880} 6 = 1.302 \cdot 10^{-4} l^5$.

The Simpson's formula is set on three equally spaced nodes.

In some cases, quadrature formulas are applied with a large number of equally spaced nodes. In particular, such a formula, built on four nodes, is the following one:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \frac{b-a}{8} \left[f(a) + 3f\left(a + \frac{b-a}{3}\right) + 3f\left(a + \frac{2(b-a)}{3}\right) + f(b) \right].$$

This formula is sometimes convenient to use to multiply linear diagrams of the internal forces. The result of this calculation is accurate. For example, if the multiplied diagrams have the form shown in Figure 7.28, the Mohr's integral in this section will be equal to:

$$\frac{1}{EJ} \int_0^l f_1(x) f_2(x) dx = \frac{l}{8EJ} (-ac - bd).$$

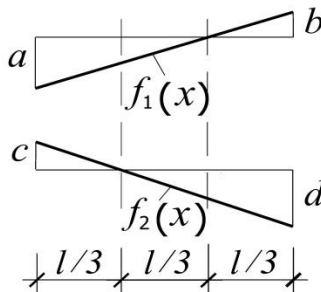


Figure 7.28

In general, formulas with a large number of equally spaced nodes are applied relatively rarely.

7.8. Determining Displacements Caused by the Thermal Effects

Suppose that for a system in state *a* (Section 7.6) the external influence is thermal one: the temperature of systems elements has changed with respect to some initial state. For an infinitely small element (Figure 7.29) of this system, we take the temperature of the lower fiber equal to t_1 , the upper one equal to t_2 . And the temperature distribution along the cross-section height is accords to the linear law.

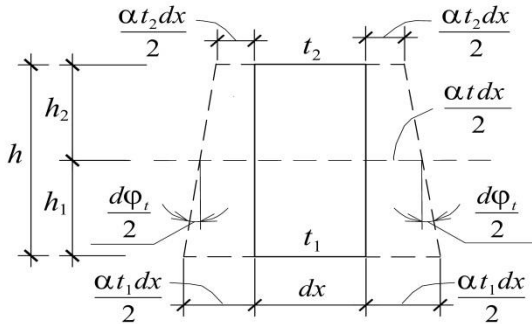


Figure 7.29

The temperature on the axis passing through the center of gravity of the cross-section will be equal $t = t_2 + \frac{t_1 - t_2}{h} h_2$. When $h_1 = h_2$ we get

$$t = \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2} .$$

Under the influence of temperature, the element moves to a new position (it is indicated by a dashed line). In this new position, all the fibers are extended by an amount $d\varepsilon_t = \varepsilon dx = \alpha t dx$ and each lateral

face is rotated by an angle $\frac{d\varphi_t}{2}$ relative to the axis passing through the center of gravity.

The elongation of the lower fiber is equal to $\alpha t_1 dx$, and the upper one is equal to $\alpha t_2 dx$, (α is the coefficient of linear expansion). Then, due to small deformations, we obtain:

$$d\varphi_t = k dx = \frac{\alpha t_1 dx - \alpha t_2 dx}{h} = \frac{\alpha(t_1 - t_2)}{h} dx = \frac{\alpha t' dx}{h},$$

where $t' = t_1 - t_2$ is the temperature difference.

Since temperature deformations do not cause a cross-sectional shear, substituting $d\varepsilon_t$ and $d\varphi_t$ in the general formula (7.6) for determining displacements and replacing the index a in the designation Δ_{ia} by t (indicates the reason that caused the displacement), we obtain:

$$\Delta_{it} = \sum_l \int \bar{N}_i \alpha t dx + \sum_l \int \bar{M}_i \frac{\alpha t'}{h} dx. \quad (7.11)$$

Note that each of the integrals in this expression determines the work of the internal forces of the auxiliary state of the system on displacements caused by a change in temperature. Therefore, the values of the integrals are accepted positive on the integration interval in the case when the corresponding directions of the element deformations, caused by the forces of the i -th (auxiliary) state and by thermal action, coincide.

If the values α , t , t' and h remain unchanged in some parts of the elements, the expression (7.11) is converted to the form:

$$\Delta_{it} = \sum \alpha t \Omega_N + \sum \frac{\alpha t'}{h} \Omega_M, \quad (7.12)$$

where

$$\Omega_N = \int_l \bar{N}_i dx, \quad \Omega_M = \int_l \bar{M}_i dx$$

are the areas of the diagrams of longitudinal forces and bending moments on the segments of the members with the specified features.

Example. Determine the horizontal displacement of the frame support B (Figure 7.30, a) from thermal action indicated on the figure. Unchanged cross-sections through the length of each element are assumed to be symmetrical. The height of the vertical element is h_1 , the height of the horizontal one is h_2 .

The temperature along the axis of each member is $t = \frac{20+10}{2} = 15^\circ$,

the temperature difference is $t' = 20 - 10 = 10^\circ$.

The auxiliary state of the frame is shown in Figure 7.30, b, and the diagrams of internal forces \bar{N}_1 и \bar{M}_1 are shown in Figure 7.30, c,d.

We calculate the required displacement:

$$\Delta_{1t} = \sum \alpha t \Omega_{N_1} + \sum \frac{\alpha t'}{h} \Omega_{M_1} = \alpha 15 \frac{1}{2} \frac{l}{2} + \alpha 15 \cdot 1 \cdot l +$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha 10}{h_1} \frac{1}{2} \frac{l}{2} \frac{l}{2} + \frac{\alpha 10}{h_2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{l}{2} l = 18.75\alpha + \left(\frac{1.25l^2}{h_1} + \frac{2.5l^2}{h_2} \right) \alpha.$$

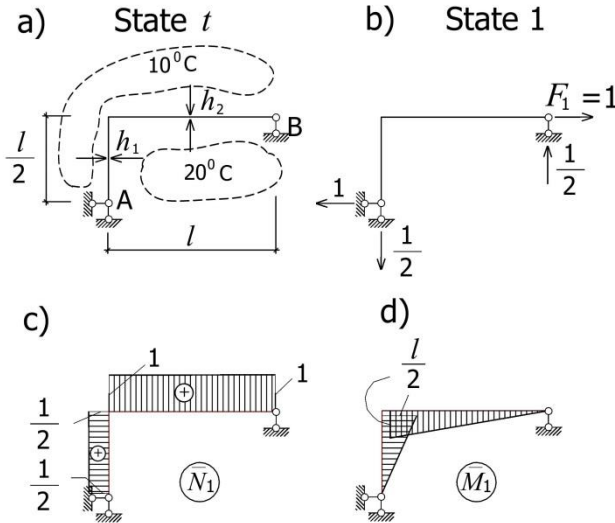


Figure 7.30

Example. Determine the angular displacement of the frame cross-section K (Figure 7.31, a) from the thermal action indicated on the figure. Unchanged cross-sections through the length of each element are assumed to be symmetrical. The height of vertical and horizontal elements is $h = 0.6 \text{ m}$. The coefficient of linear expansion is $\alpha = 10 \cdot 10^{-6} (\text{°C}^{-1})$.

The temperature along the axis of members is:

$$t_{AB} = t_{BD} = \frac{-10 + 20}{2} = 5^{\circ}; \quad t_{CD} = \frac{0 + 20}{2} = 10^{\circ};$$

$$t_{DE} = \frac{-10 + 0}{2} = -5^{\circ}; \quad t_{CK} = \frac{0 + 0}{2} = 0^{\circ};$$

the temperature differences are:

$$t'_{AB} = t'_{BD} = 20 - (-10) = 30^{\circ}; \quad t'_{CD} = 20 - 0 = 20^{\circ};$$

$$t'_{DE} = 0 - (-10) = 10^{\circ}; \quad t'_{CK} = 0 - 0 = 0^{\circ};$$

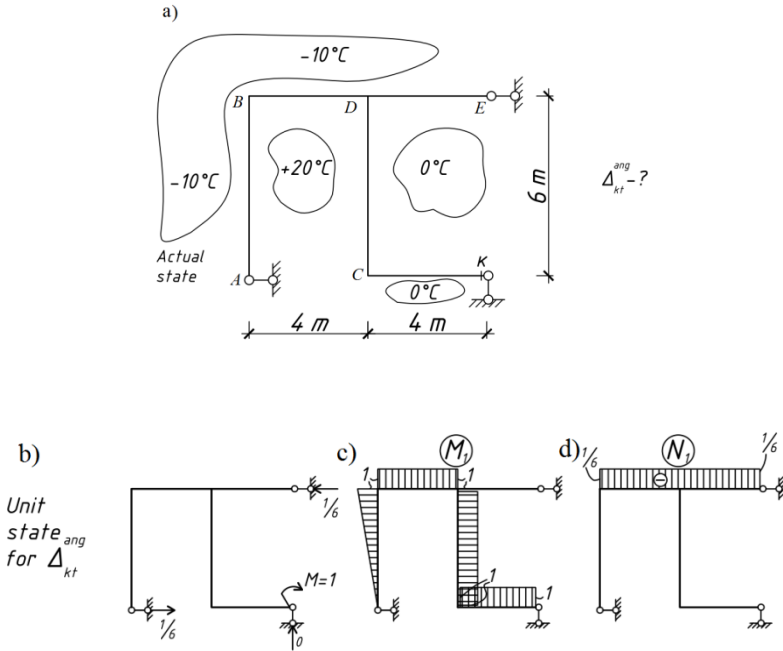


Figure 7.31

The auxiliary state of the frame and the diagrams of internal forces M_1 and N_1 are shown in Figure 7.31, b,c,d.

We calculate the required displacement:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta_{lt} = & \sum \alpha t \Omega_{N_1} + \sum \frac{\alpha t'}{h} \Omega_{M_1} = 10 \cdot 10^{-6} \left(5 \cdot 0 + 5 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{6} \cdot 4 \right) + 10 \cdot 0 + \right. \\
 & + (-5) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{6} \cdot 4 \right) + 0 \cdot 0 \cdot l + \left(-\frac{30}{0.6} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 6 \right) + \\
 & \left. + \left(-\frac{30}{0.6} \cdot 1 \cdot 4 \right) + \left(-\frac{20}{0.6} \cdot 1 \cdot 6 \right) + \frac{10}{0.6} \cdot 0 + \frac{0}{0.6} \cdot 1 \cdot 4 \right) = -0.0055 \text{ rad.}
 \end{aligned}$$

7.9. Determination of Displacements Caused by the Settlement of Supports

Suppose that the support connections of a given statically determinate system (Figure 7.32, a) under the influence of some actions moves to the positions shown in Figure 7.32, a: rigid support turned clockwise by an angle c_1 , and the hinged-movable support moved upward by c_2 . We denote this state of the system as state c . To determine the displacement of a point, for example, the horizontal displacement of the node D , we apply a force $F_i = 1$ in the auxiliary state in the direction of the required displacement (Figure 7.32, b).

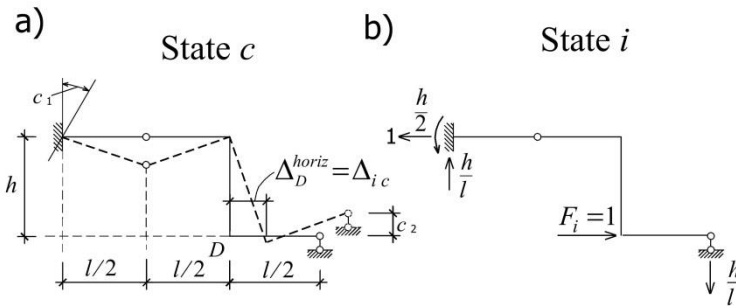


Figure 7.32

We define the work of the forces of the i -th state of the system at its displacements in the state c . There are no internal forces in a state c : displacements of the supports of a statically determinate system do not cause forces in its elements. Therefore, only external forces, which include support reactions, will do the work on the displacements of the state c . In accordance with the principle of virtual displacements, we obtain:

$$1 \cdot \Delta_{ic} + \sum R_{ki} c_k = 0,$$

where R_{ki} is the reaction in k -th support link caused by $F_i = 1$;

c_k is the given displacement of link k .

So it follows that

$$\Delta_{ic} = -\sum R_{ki} c_k \quad (7.13)$$

The sign of the product $R_{ki} c_k$ is assumed to be positive if the directions of R_{ki} and c_k coincide.

For this example, we get:

$$\Delta_D^{horiz} = \Delta_{ic} = -\sum R_{ki} c_k = -\left(-\frac{h}{2} c_1 - \frac{h}{l} c_2\right) = h\left(\frac{c_1}{2} + \frac{c_2}{l}\right).$$

Example. Determine the horizontal displacement of the frame cross-section K (Figure 7.33, a) caused by the settlement of supports indicated on the figure.

According to (7.13), the expression for the required displacement is:

$$\Delta_{KC}^{horiz} = -\sum R_{ki} c_k.$$

The auxiliary state of the frame for determining support reactions caused by a unit concentrated force applied to the cross-section K in the horizontal direction is shown in Figure 7.33,b.

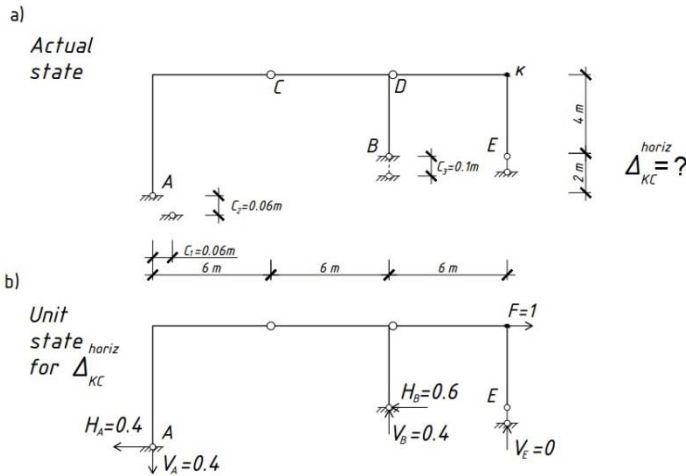


Figure 7.33

A given system is a statically determinate compound frame. We find support reactions from equilibrium equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum M_D = 0: \quad V_E \cdot 6 = 0 &\Rightarrow V_E = 0 \text{ kN}; \\ \left. \begin{aligned} \sum M_A = 0: \quad -V_B \cdot 12 - H_B \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 6 = 0 \\ \sum M_C^{right} = 0: \quad -V_B \cdot 6 + H_B \cdot 4 = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} &\Rightarrow V_B = 0.4 \text{ kN}, H_B = 0.6 \text{ kN}; \\ \left. \begin{aligned} \sum M_B = 0: \quad -V_A \cdot 12 + H_A \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 4 = 0 \\ \sum M_C^{left} = 0: \quad -V_A \cdot 6 + H_A \cdot 6 = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} &\Rightarrow V_A = 0.4 \text{ kN}, H_A = 0.4 \text{ kN}. \end{aligned}$$

We calculate the required displacement:

$$\Delta_{KC}^{horiz} = -(0.4 \cdot 0.06 - 0.4 \cdot 0.06 - 0.4 \cdot 0.1 + 0.6 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0) = 0.04 \text{ m}.$$

Here the «-» sign is accepted before $H_A c_1$ and $V_B c_3$, since the direction of the reaction and the corresponding settlement do not coincide.

In conclusion, we note that if a given linearly deformable system is simultaneously exposed to external load, temperature changes, the displacement of supports or other exposures, the required total displacement is determined by summing the components from each exposure separately.

The features of determining displacements in statically indeterminate systems will be described below.

7.10. Matrix Form of the Displacements Determination

Consider this question in relation to the plane trusses. In practical problems of trusses calculating, it is important to be able to determine the displacements of each node in horizontal and vertical directions. The total number of unknown displacements with this approach will be equal to the number of degrees of freedom of the nodes $m = 2N - L$ (there are no displacements of nodes in the directions of the support links). In Figure 7.34, a unknown displacements of nodes are shown by arrows.

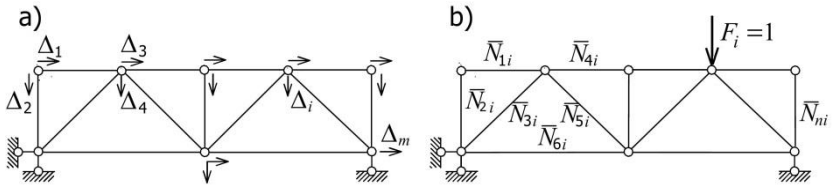


Figure 7.34

To determine the displacement Δ_i we take the auxiliary state as shown in Figure 7.34, b: load $F_i = 1$ is applied in the direction of the required displacement. In this figure, a designation of the force \bar{N}_{ki} arising in the rods is shown near each rod of the truss, where the index k corresponds to the number of the rod. The index n corresponds to the number of the last truss member.

From formula (7.6) it follows that

$$\Delta_i = \sum \bar{N}_i \int_0^l \varepsilon dx = \sum_{k=1}^n \bar{N}_{ki} \Delta l_k,$$

where \bar{N}_{ki} is the force in the k -th rod caused by $F_i = 1$;

Δl_k is absolute deformation of the k -th truss rod.

An expanded record of the last expression with respect to all calculated displacements will appear as the following equations:

When calculating a physically nonlinear system under the action of a load F , it is possible, using a nonlinear tensile (compression) diagram, to determine the corresponding elongation (shortening) Δl_k by a known effort N_{kF} .

If the material of the rods at a given load F works in a linearly elastic stage, then:

$$\Delta l_k = \frac{N_{kF} l_k}{EA_k} = d_k N_{kF},$$

where EA_k is the rigidity of the rod in tension (compression);

$d_k = \frac{l_k}{EA_k}$ is the coefficient of pliability of the k -th rod.

Then for the vector of deformations caused by a given load, there is a dependence:

$$\vec{\Delta l} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta l_1 \\ \Delta l_2 \\ \vdots \\ \Delta l_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & & & \\ & d_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & d_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_{1F} \\ N_{2F} \\ \vdots \\ N_{nF} \end{bmatrix} = D \vec{N}_F, \quad (7.15)$$

where D is the matrix of internal pliability of truss rods;

\vec{N}_F is the vector of efforts in the truss rods from the load F .

Substituting expression (7.15) into formula (7.14), we obtain a matrix notation of the formula for determining the nodal displacements of the truss due to the load F :

$$\vec{\Delta} = L_N^T D \vec{N}_F. \quad (7.16)$$

To determine the displacements of bended systems due to the load F , we will use the Simpson's formula. At the k -th section of the bar with variable bending rigidity, the Mohr's integral is written in the form:

$$\int_0^{l_k} \frac{\bar{M}_i M_F dx}{EJ} = \frac{l_k}{6} \left(\frac{\bar{M}_i^B M_F^B}{EJ^B} + 4 \frac{\bar{M}_i^M M_F^M}{EJ^M} + \frac{\bar{M}_i^E M_F^E}{EJ^E} \right),$$

where the superscripts B , M and E indicate the values \bar{M}_i , M_F , ... and EJ at the beginning, middle and end of the integration section.

We represent this expression in matrix form:

$$\int_0^{l_k} \frac{\bar{M}_i M_F dx}{EJ} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{M}_i^B & \bar{M}_i^M & \bar{M}_i^E \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{l_k}{6EJ^B} & & \\ & \frac{4l_k}{6EJ^M} & \\ & & \frac{l_k}{6EJ^E} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_F^B \\ M_F^M \\ M_F^E \end{bmatrix} = \\ = L_{ki}^T D_k \bar{M}_{kF},$$

where D_k is the diagonal matrix of pliability for the k -th section.

For the variant of linear diagrams \bar{M}_i , M_F , ... we obtain:

$$\bar{M}_i^M = \frac{\bar{M}_i^B + \bar{M}_i^E}{2}, \quad M_F^M = \frac{M_F^B + M_F^E}{2},$$

and then, at $EJ = \text{const}$, the computations in the section are reduced to:

$$\int_0^{l_k} \frac{\bar{M}_i M_F dx}{EJ} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{M}_i^B & \bar{M}_i^E \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2l_k}{6EJ} & \frac{l_k}{6EJ} \\ \frac{l_k}{6EJ} & \frac{2l_k}{6EJ} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_F^B \\ M_F^E \end{bmatrix}.$$

Summing up the results of calculations for all sections, we obtain:

$$\Delta_{iF} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_i M_F dx}{EJ} = \sum_k L_{ki}^T D_k \bar{M}_{kF}. \quad (7.17)$$

Using the sequential docking of the bending moment vectors in all n parts of the system and introducing the matrix of pliability D for the entire system into the calculation, the displacements calculation can be represented as follows:

$$\Delta_{iF} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{1i}^T & L_{2i}^T & \dots & L_{ni}^T \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & & & \\ & D_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & D_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{M}_{1F} \\ \bar{M}_{2F} \\ \vdots \\ \bar{M}_{nF} \end{bmatrix} = L_i^T D \bar{M}_F. \quad (7.18)$$

If it is necessary to determine the displacements of several points of the system, the row-vector L_i^T should be replaced by a matrix L^T , in each row of which values of bending moments caused by the i -th auxiliary state are recorded.

If the problem is to determine the displacements caused by different loadings, it is necessary to replace the vector \bar{M}_F with a matrix, in each column of which values of efforts corresponded to a certain load are recorded.

With these remarks, the expression for determining the displacements of a bended system in the general case can be written as:

$$\Delta = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_{11} & \Delta_{12} & \dots & \Delta_{1l} \\ \Delta_{21} & \Delta_{22} & \dots & \Delta_{2l} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \Delta_{m1} & \Delta_{m2} & \dots & \Delta_{ml} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{11}^T & L_{12}^T & \dots & L_{n1}^T \\ L_{12}^T & L_{22}^T & \dots & L_{n2}^T \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ L_{1m}^T & L_{2m}^T & \dots & L_{nm}^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & & & \\ & D_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & D_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{M}_{1F}^{(1)} & \bar{M}_{1F}^{(2)} & \dots & \bar{M}_{1F}^{(l)} \\ \bar{M}_{2F}^{(1)} & \bar{M}_{2F}^{(1)} & \dots & \bar{M}_{2F}^{(l)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \bar{M}_{nF}^{(1)} & \bar{M}_{nF}^{(1)} & \dots & \bar{M}_{nF}^{(l)} \end{bmatrix} = L^T D M. \quad (7.19)$$

In this expression, the index m corresponds to the number of determined displacements for one loading, the index t corresponds to the number of independent loadings.

If $M = L$, the matrix Δ will be a matrix of external pliability A of the flexible bars system:

$$A = L_M^T D L_M . \quad (7.20)$$

The same remark applies to formula (7.16). Replacing the vector \vec{N}_F with the matrix $N = L_N$, as a result of the calculations we obtain the truss pliability matrix:

$$A = L_N^T D L_N . \quad (7.21)$$

7.11. Influence Lines for Displacements

The theorem of reciprocal displacements is used to solve various problems in mechanics. In particular, the influence lines for displacements are relatively easy to obtain. Suppose, for example, it is necessary to construct the influence line for the rotation angle φ_k (Figure 7.35, a). Each new position of the unit force (Figure 7.35, b) corresponds to a certain value of the rotation angle ($\delta_{k1}, \delta_{k2}, \dots$). At the same time, on the basis of the reciprocity theorem, these displacements can be determined each time by uploading the beam with a fixed generalized force $M_k = 1$ (Figure 7.35, c). Consequently, the shape of the influence lines for φ_k coincides with the diagram of the vertical displacements of the beam axis caused by force $M_k = 1$. The equation corresponding to this load for the bent axis of the beam is written in Section 7.5.

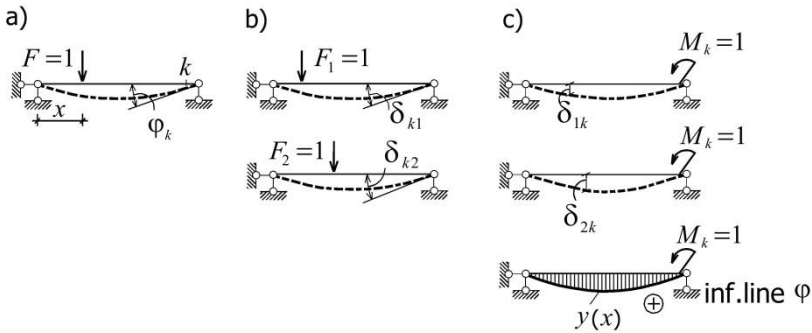


Figure 7.35

An analysis of the results of the last example (Figure 7.35) shows that the practical task of constructing influence lines for displacements of a linearly deformable system, on the one hand, can be associated with its calculation on the set of unit loads in characteristic sections, and then with the determination of the required displacement for each of them. On the other hand, this task may be connected with the calculation of the system for one load and the determination of the corresponding displacements in those cross sections in which the unknown shape of the influence line can be represented by the found displacements. The second solution is generally preferred.

We illustrate it with the example of a multi-span statically determinate beam (Figure 7.36), for which we will construct the influence line for δ_3 . From the calculation of the loading beam by force $F_1 = 1$ we can find only one ordinate δ_{31} of the influence line for δ_3 (Figure 7.36,b), from the calculation at the action of the force $F_2 = 1$ we can find the ordinate δ_{32} and so on. A simpler technique is to construct an influence line δ_3 as a diagram of vertical displacements of the axis of the beam from the action of the force $F_3 = 1$ (Figure 7.36, c). In Figure 7.36, d it is shown the view of Inf. line for δ_3 taking into account generally accepted construction rules: positive ordinates are located above the axis of the beam, negative ones are below.

7.12. Influence Matrix for Displacements

The vertical displacement, due to the given load, of the cross-section i , for which the influence line for displacement is constructed, can be calculated by the formula:

$$\Delta_{iF} = \delta_{i1} F_1 + \delta_{i2} F_2 + \dots + \delta_{in} F_n,$$

where F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n – are concentrated vertical forces applied in characteristic sections.

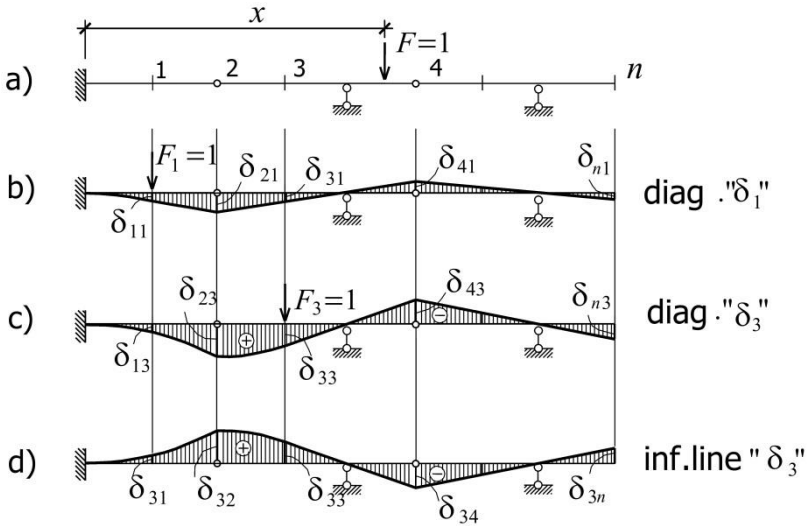


Figure 7.36

With the value of the index $i = 3$ we get the expression for calculation Δ_{3F} using the influence line (Figure 7.36, d).

Applying the expression for Δ_{iF} to each characteristic cross-section and using the matrix form for recording the transformations, we obtain the value of the displacement vector $\bar{\Delta}_F$:

$$\bar{\Delta}_F = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_{1F} \\ \Delta_{2F} \\ \vdots \\ \Delta_{nF} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{11} & \delta_{12} & \delta_{13} & \cdots & \delta_{1n} \\ \delta_{21} & \delta_{22} & \delta_{23} & \cdots & \delta_{2n} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \delta_{n1} & \delta_{n2} & \delta_{n3} & \cdots & \delta_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \\ \vdots \\ F_n \end{bmatrix} = A \bar{F} ,$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{11} & \delta_{12} & \delta_{13} & \cdots & \delta_{1n} \\ \delta_{21} & \delta_{22} & \delta_{23} & \cdots & \delta_{2n} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \delta_{n1} & \delta_{n2} & \delta_{n3} & \cdots & \delta_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

is the influence matrix for displacements.

The components of the k -th column are the ordinate values of the displacements diagrams constructed due to $F_k = 1$, which corresponds to the general definition of the influence matrices. Since the conditions $\delta_{ik} = \delta_{ki}$ are fulfilled, the matrix A is a symmetric matrix and, therefore the influence lines for δ_i can be constructed from the elements of the i -th column or i -th row.

In the case of systems of arbitrary outline, not necessarily the beams, displacements δ_{ik} may have different orientations in space. They determine the pliability of the system at some point i in a given direction (i -th) caused by the unit force applied at a point κ . Therefore, the matrix A is called the pliability matrix of the system. To calculate it, one can use formulas (7.20) and (7.21).

Example. Calculate the matrix A of the external pliability of the frame in the given directions (Figure 7.37).

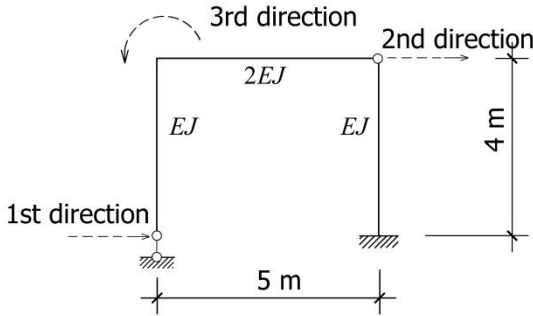


Figure 7.37

Diagrams of bending moments caused by the action of unit forces in given directions are shown in Figure 7.38.

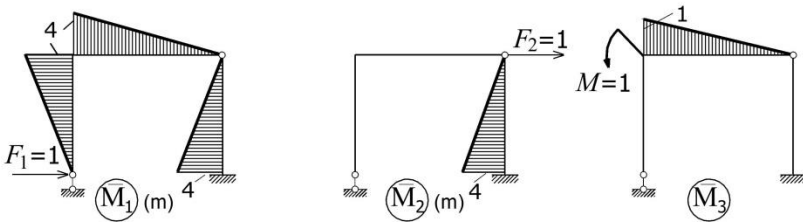


Figure 7.38

When compiling the influence matrix L_M , we will consider the ordinates of the diagrams M , located inside the frame contour as positive.

The pliability matrix A is calculated as follows:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{11} & \delta_{12} & \delta_{13} \\ \delta_{21} & \delta_{22} & \delta_{23} \\ \delta_{31} & \delta_{32} & \delta_{33} \end{bmatrix} = L_M^T D L_M =$$

$$= \begin{array}{|ccc|ccc|ccc|} \hline 0 & -2 & -4 & -4 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \times$$

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 \frac{1}{3EJ}.$$

THEME 8. FORCE METHOD AND ITS APPLICATION TO PLANE FRAMES CALCULATION

8.1. Statically Indeterminate Systems and Their Properties

Statically indeterminate systems are those systems in which not all internal forces can be found from the equilibrium equations.

In statically indeterminate systems, the number of unknown efforts exceeds the number of independent equilibrium equations. For example, to determine the four support reactions of the beam (Figure 8.1, a) arising from the action of any load on it, only three independent equilibrium equations can be compiled.

Consequently, in all cross-sections of the beam in the AC region, the internal forces cannot be determined. If in this beam we remove the support rod at a point B (Figures. 8.1, b) or introduce a hinge in a region BC (Figures. 8.1, c), then we obtain the design schemes of statically determinate beams. The constraints that can be removed from the beam (and in the general case, from any system) without changing its properties of geometrical unchangeability and unmoveability are called redundant constraints. The number of redundant constraints, the elimination of which turns the system into the statically determinate one, is called the degree of static indeterminacy of the system (degree of redundancy). The beam shown in Figure 8.1, a, has statical indeterminacy of the first degree.

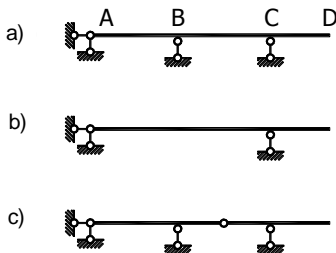


Figure 8.1

The same can be said about the design scheme of the truss (Figure 8.2). It is possible to find support reactions and forces in rods 3–5 and 4–5 caused by

the load applied to its nodes solely using equilibrium equations, but the efforts of the rest of the rods remain unknown. Among these rods, there is one redundant, so the truss is statically indeterminate once.

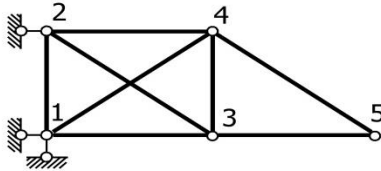


Figure 8.2

We note once again that the term “redundant constraint” should be understood from the point of view of the geometrical unchangeability and unmoveability of the system. According to the working conditions of the structure, these constraints are necessary; in their absence, the strength and rigidity of the structure may be insufficient.

Any constraint can be accepted as a redundant constraint, the elimination of which will not change the immutability and immobility of the system. So, for the scheme in Figure 8.1 as redundant constraint, you can take any vertical support rod or, in any cross-section on the region AC, the constraint, through which the bending moment is transmitted from one section of the beam to another.

The degree of the static indeterminacy of a structure is an important characteristic of a structure.

Statically indeterminate systems have the following properties.

1. The thermal effect on the system, the displacement of the supports or the inaccuracy of the manufacture of its elements with their subsequent tension during assembly cause, in the general case, additional forces in a statically indeterminate system. In a statically determinate system, these factors cause only displacements of the elements, while internal forces do not arise.

Here are some examples.

Let’s consider the temperature of the lower fibers of the beam (Figure 8.3, a) is equal t_1 , and the upper ones is t_2 , and $t_1 > t_2$. If there was no support link at the point B, then the cantilever beam AB due to the indicated action would have taken a position shown by a dashed line. To

return the beam from this position to the initial (undeformed) position, it is necessary to apply a force X_1 at the point B' , equals to the reaction that arises in the support B from temperature changes.

The displacement of the support point C to the position C' provokes bending of the beam AC (Figure 8.3, b), which indicates the appearance of bending moments and transverse forces in the beam cross-sections.

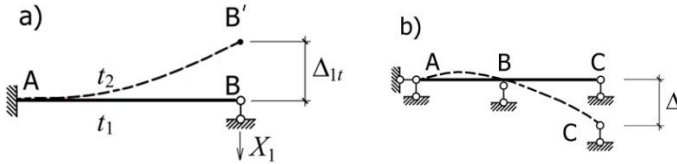


Figure 8.3

If we assume that in the truss (Figure 8.2) the length of the rod 1–4 turned out to be less than the size required by the project, then in order to attach its ends to the nodes, the rod would have to be pulled. This means that the entire group of rods of this panel of the truss will undergo additional forces even before the given load is applied, in particular, rods 1–4 and 2–3 will be stretched, and four other rods will be compressed (the initial stress state arises).

2. The forces in statically indeterminate systems arising from an external load depend on the ratios of the rigidity of the system elements.

Compare, for example, the distribution of bending moments in the frame (Figures 8.4, a, b) with different ratios of bending rigidity of the members.

The forces in these systems, arising from thermal effects and settlements of supports, depend on the rigidity values of the members.

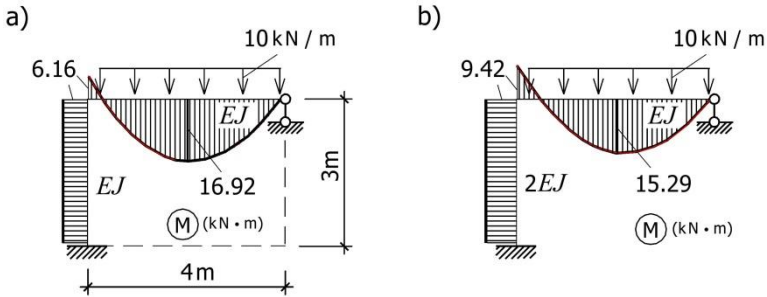


Figure 8.4

3. A system with n redundant constraints retains geometrical immutability even after the loss of these constraints, while a statically determinate system, after the removal of at least one constraint, turns into a changeable one.

4. The displacements of statically indeterminate systems are, as a rule, less than the corresponding displacements of those statically determinate systems from which they are formed. For example, as follows from the analysis of the work under load of the beams (Figure 8.5), $\Delta_2 > \Delta_1$.

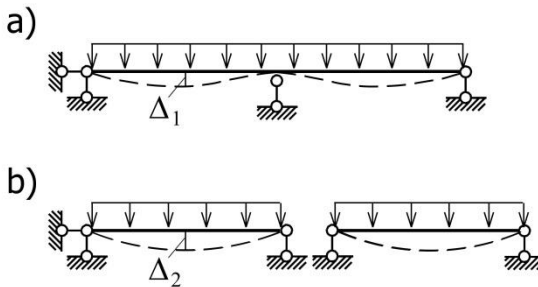


Figure 8.5

Other features of the distribution of forces and displacements in statically indeterminate systems will be explained in the subsequent parts of the chapter.

8.2. Determining the Degree of Static Indeterminacy

By the definition, the degree of static indeterminacy is equal to the number of redundant constraints. From the formula (1.1), which establishes quantitative relations between the number of disks degree of freedom and the number of constraints superimposed on them, it follows that the number of redundant constraints (Λ) will be equal to $\Lambda = -W$, that is, calculated by the formula:

$$\Lambda = L_0 + 2H + 3R - 3D, \quad (8.1)$$

and if the disks are connected only by constraints of the first (single link) and second (hinge) types, then by the formula:

$$\Lambda = L_0 + 2H - 3D. \quad (8.2)$$

As in the definition of W , both formulas can be used when none of the disks of the system is represented as a closed contour.

If the outline of the frame is closed, it must be divided into several open ones and only then the formula (8.1) should be used.

Hingeless closed contour is three times statically indeterminate. Indeed, in order to turn the frame with the form of a closed contour (Figure 8.6, a) into a statically determinate frame (Figure 8.6, b) it is possible to remove three constraints in the cross-section k . These three links transfer internal forces from one end of the member to the other.

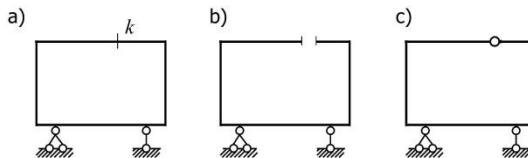


Figure 8.6

If in the cross-section k the constraint will be removed, through which the bending moment is transferred from one part of the member to another, i.e. set the hinge, we get twice statically indeterminate frame (Figure 8.6, c).

Thus, the degree of static indeterminacy of the frame can be determined by the formula:

$$\Lambda = 3K - H, \quad (8.3)$$

where K is the number of closed contours in the frame;

H is the number of simple hinges.

Note that the frame shown in Figure 8.7 also represents a hingeless closed contour. The base, to which the frame is attached at points A and B , in this case, is considered as a disk connecting these points.

Here are some examples. Let us determine the degree of static indeterminacy for the frame shown in Figure 8.8.

By the formula (8.2) we get:

$$\Lambda = L_0 + 2H - 3D = 9 + 2 \cdot 2 - 3 \cdot 3 = 4.$$

By the formula (8.3):

$$\Lambda = 3K - H = 3 \cdot 2 - 2 = 4.$$

Closed contours are shown in Figure 8.8 by wavy line.

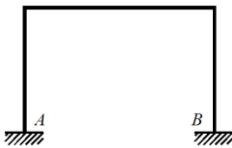


Figure 8.7

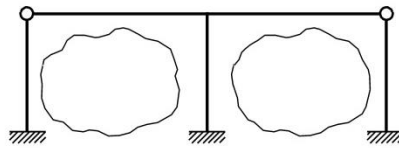


Figure 8.8

When using formula (8.1) for the frame shown in Figure 8.9, we take into account that disks 1 and 2, as well as 2 and 3 are rigidly connected to each other.

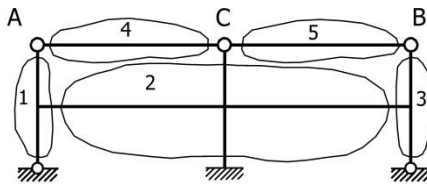


Figure 8.9

The outlines of the discs are highlighted by wavy lines. The hinge at the point C is double one.

$$\Lambda = L_0 + 2H + 3R - 3D = 7 + 2 \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot 2 - 3 \cdot 5 = 6.$$

By the formula (8.3) we get:

$$\Lambda = 3K - H = 3 \cdot 4 - 6 = 6.$$

The partition of the frame (Figure 8.10) into individual disks will be accepted as shown in the figure.

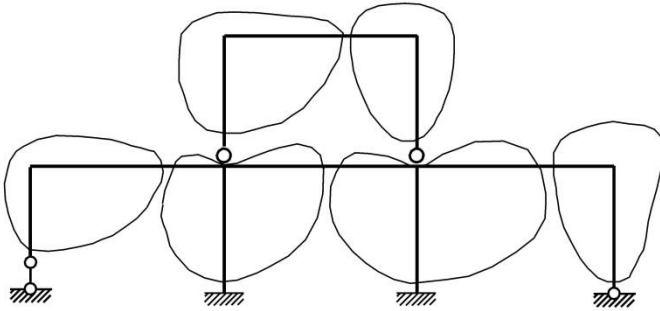


Figure 8.10

Then we get: $D = 6$, $H = 2$, the number of rigid (fixed) connections (nodes) $R = 4$.

By the formula (8.1):

$$\Lambda = L_0 + 2H + 3R - 3D = 9 + 2 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 4 - 3 \cdot 6 = 7.$$

By the formula (8.3):

$$\Lambda = 3K - H = 3 \cdot 4 - 5 = 7.$$

In the previous expression it is accepted that $H = 2$, since there are two simple hinges on the scheme (each of them connects only two disks).

In the last expression $H = 5$, since in addition to two hinges in the upper contour, two hinges in the lower left contour and one hinge in the lower right contour are taken into account.

The degree of static indeterminacy defines the number of additional equations that need to be written to determine unknown forces. These unknowns are efforts in redundant constraints.



Illustration 8.1. Cross frames of the production building

8.3. Primary System and Primary Unknowns

The sequence of actions for disclosing the static indeterminacy of a given system is as follows.

In a given statically indeterminate system, redundant constraints are removed, and unknown forces are applied instead. The obtained system is called the primary system of the force method, and unknown forces are called the primary unknowns of this method. They are designated with symbols X_i , where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ($n \leq \Lambda$).

In order to reduce the number of unknowns, experienced specialists use sometimes statically indeterminate primary systems. The number of unknowns (n) in this case will be less than the number of redundant constraints (Λ). This calculation method requires additional calculations for statically indeterminable fragments included in the main primary system.

Subsequently, by comparing the displacements of the given and the primary systems, equations are obtained for determining the primary unknowns.

Let us explain some features of the choice of the primary system. First of all, we note that the primary system should be geometrically unchangeable and immovable. For any statically indeterminate frame, several primary systems can be selected. Consider the following example. The degree of static indeterminacy of the frame shown in Figure 8.11, a, is three. Possible variants of the primary systems are shown in Figures 8.11, b – c. In Figure 8.11, b it is shown that as the primary unknowns of the force method, the forces in the support connections of a given frame are taken. According to Figure 8.11, c the primary unknowns are X_1 , X_3 (reactions in support connections) and X_2 (interaction forces (moments) between the members adjacent to the hinge). The systems shown in Figures 8.11, d, e, cannot be selected as the primary ones, since they are instantly changeable.

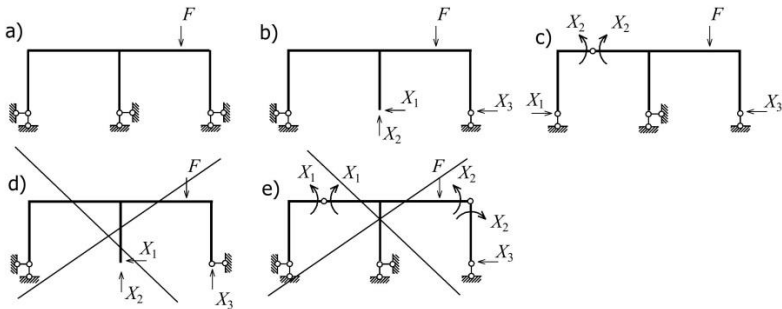


Figure 8.11

All subsequent calculations in the force method are associated with the primary system. Therefore, the complexity of the calculation will

substantially depend on the successful choice of a variant of the primary system. Methods for selecting rational primary systems are outlined in Section 8.8.

8.4. Canonical Equations

Deformations of the given and the primary systems will be the same only if the displacements of the application points of the primary unknowns in their directions in the primary system are the same as in the given system, i.e., equal to zero.

Indeed, for example (Figure 8.11,a-c), in the given system the displacement in the direction of force X_1 or X_3 is equal to zero. The angle of mutual rotation of the cross-sections in the direction of unknown X_2 (Figure 8.11, c) is equal to zero also.

The displacements in the primary system in the directions of the primary unknowns depend on the external load acting on the system and the primary unknowns, so we can write that:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Delta_1(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, F) &= 0; \\ \Delta_2(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, F) &= 0; \\ \cdot & \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \\ \Delta_n(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, F) &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (8.4)$$

where $\Delta_i (i = 1, \dots, n)$ – is full displacement in the direction of the unknown X_i , that is, displacement caused by the unknowns X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n and external load F .

The number n of such equations certainly corresponds to the number of primary unknowns. If we use the principle of independence of the action of forces, then the i -th equation from system (8.4) can be written in the form that allows us to see the contribution of each force factor to the final result:

$$\Delta_i = \Delta_{i1} + \Delta_{i2} + \dots + \Delta_{in} + \Delta_{iF}, \quad (8.5)$$

where $\Delta_{i1}, \Delta_{i2}, \dots, \Delta_{in}$ are the displacements of the application point of the i -th primary unknown in its direction, caused by forces X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n ;

Δ_{iF} are the displacement of the same point in the same direction, caused by an external load.

The displacement in the direction of the i -th unknown, caused by force X_k , can be represented as:

$$\Delta_{ik} = \delta_{ik} X_k, \quad (8.6)$$

where δ_{ik} – is the displacement in the same direction caused by force $X_k = 1$.

Taking into account expressions (8.5) and (8.6), we write the system of equations (8.4) as follows:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \delta_{11}X_1 + \delta_{12}X_2 + \delta_{13}X_3 + \dots + \delta_{1n}X_n + \Delta_{1F} &= 0; \\ \delta_{21}X_1 + \delta_{22}X_2 + \delta_{23}X_3 + \dots + \delta_{2n}X_n + \Delta_{2F} &= 0; \\ \cdot & \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ \delta_{n1}X_1 + \delta_{n2}X_2 + \delta_{n3}X_3 + \dots + \delta_{nn}X_n + \Delta_{nF} &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (8.7)$$

These equations are called the canonical equations of the force method for calculating the system on the action of an external load. The essence of the i -th equation is that the displacement of the application point of the unknown X_i in its direction, caused by all unknowns and the external load, is zero.

In the matrix-vector form, system (8.7) can be written more compactly:

$$A \vec{X} + \vec{B} = 0, \quad (8.8)$$

where:

A is matrix of coefficients at unknowns in the canonical equations (pliability matrix of the primary system):

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{11} & \delta_{12} & \delta_{13} & \cdots & \delta_{1n} \\ \delta_{21} & \delta_{22} & \delta_{23} & \cdots & \delta_{2n} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \delta_{n1} & \delta_{n2} & \delta_{n3} & \cdots & \delta_{nn} \end{bmatrix}; \quad (8.9)$$

\vec{X} is vector of unknowns:

$$\vec{X}^T = [X_1 \ X_2 \ X_3 \ \cdots \ X_n]; \quad (8.10)$$

\vec{B} is vector of free terms of canonical equations (vector of the load displacements):

$$\vec{B}^T = [\Delta_{1F} \ \Delta_{2F} \ \cdots \ \Delta_{nF}]. \quad (8.11)$$

The coefficients of the type δ_{ii} , i. e., located on the main diagonal, are called the main ones (main displacements), and the coefficients δ_{ik} , if $i \neq k$ – are called the secondary ones (secondary displacements). According to the reciprocity theorem $\delta_{ik} = \delta_{ki}$, i. e., the matrix A is symmetric.

When calculating the statically indeterminate system on the thermal effect, the vector \vec{B} in equation (8.8) has the form:

$$\vec{B}^T = [\Delta_{1t} \ \Delta_{2t} \ \cdots \ \Delta_{nt}], \quad (8.12)$$

where Δ_{it} is the displacement of the application point of the i -th unknown in its direction, caused by a change in the temperature of the members.

When calculating the system by the settlements of supports:

$$\vec{B}^T = [\Delta_{1c} \ \Delta_{2c} \ \cdots \ \Delta_{nc}], \quad (8.13)$$

where Δ_{iC} is the displacement in the direction of the i -th unknown caused by the settlements of supports.

8.5. Determining Coefficients and Free Terms of Canonical Equations

The coefficients and free terms of the canonical equations are calculated according to the rules of determining displacements described in Chapter 7. For the frame systems that experience predominantly bending deformations in non-automated computing (“manual” calculation), we can take into account the influence on displacements of only bending moments. Therefore, displacements δ_{ik} and Δ_{iF} are calculated by the formulas:

$$\delta_{ik} = \sum \int \frac{\overline{M}_i \overline{M}_k}{EJ} dx,$$

$$\Delta_{iF} = \sum \int \frac{\overline{M}_i M_F}{EJ} dx,$$

where \overline{M}_i , \overline{M}_k are bending moments diagrams caused by dimensionless forces, respectively $X_i = 1$ and $X_k = 1$; M_F is bending moments diagram caused by external load.

So, for example, if for the frame (Figure 8.12, a) we accept the primary system according to the variant of Figure 8.12, b, when determining the displacement δ_{21} , it is necessary to consider the state of the frame under the action $X_1 = 1$ (Figure 8.12, c) as load state, and the second state, corresponding to the action $X_2 = 1$ (Figure 8.12, d), as an auxiliary one. Then, after the construction of the bending moments diagram (Figures 8.12, f, g), you can use the well-known methods of calculating the Mohr integral of the form:

$$\delta_{21} = \sum \int \frac{\overline{M}_2 \overline{M}_1}{EJ} dx.$$

Displacement Δ_{1F} (Figure 8.12, e) is calculated using diagrams \overline{M}_1 (Figure 8.12, e) and M_F (Figure 8.12, h):

$$\Delta_{1F} = \sum \int \frac{\overline{M}_1 M_F dx}{EJ}.$$

The matrix form for determining displacements is described in Section 7.10.

Obviously, the values of the coefficients and free terms of the canonical equations are more accurate if in addition to bending moments we take into account the longitudinal and shear forces in the frame elements.

After determining the coefficients and free terms, the system of canonical equations can be solved in numerical form.

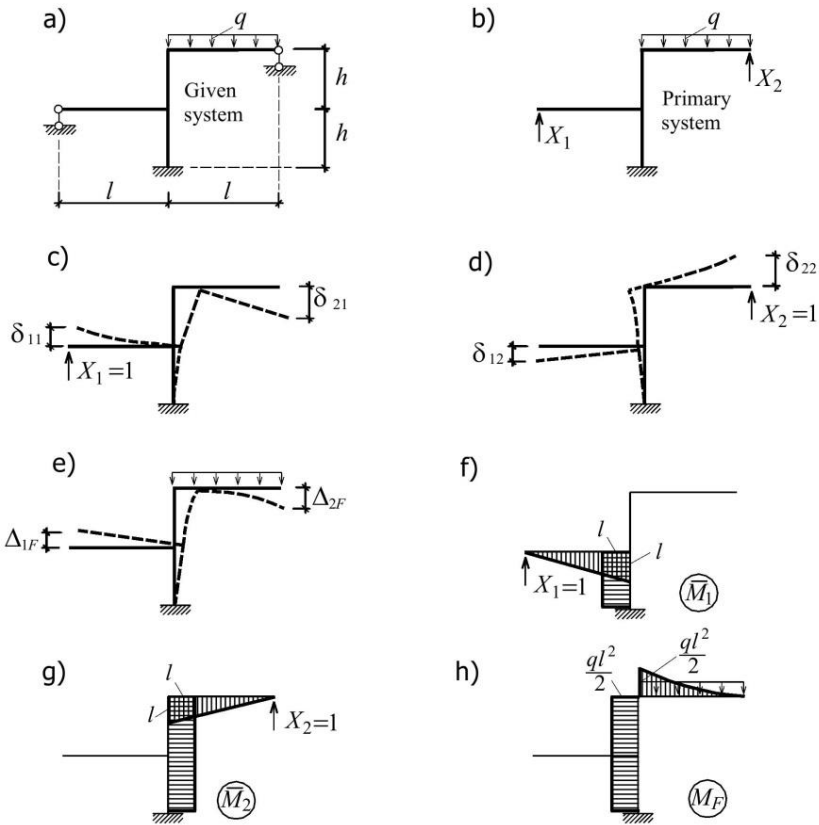


Figure 8.12

8.6. Constructing the Final Diagrams of the Internal Forces

The solution of the system of canonical equations allows us to find the values of the primary unknowns. The final efforts ($S \in \{M, Q, N\}$) in the k -th cross-section of a given system are calculated by the expression, based on the principle of independence of the forces action:

$$S_k = S_{kF} + \bar{S}_{k1} X_1 + \bar{S}_{k2} X_2 + \cdots + \bar{S}_{kn} X_n, \quad (8.14)$$

where S_{kF} is the force in the k -th section from the action of external load

\bar{S}_{ki} is the force in k -th section from $X_i = 1, i=1, 2, \dots, n$.

In accordance with expression (8.14), the final diagrams of bending moments, shear and longitudinal forces are constructed:

$$M = M_F + \bar{M}_1 X_1 + \bar{M}_2 X_2 + \cdots + \bar{M}_n X_n, \quad (8.15)$$

$$Q = Q_F + \bar{Q}_1 X_1 + \bar{Q}_2 X_2 + \cdots + \bar{Q}_n X_n,$$

$$N = N_F + \bar{N}_1 X_1 + \bar{N}_2 X_2 + \cdots + \bar{N}_n X_n.$$

Constructing diagrams Q and N using the above formulas is not always convenient. A simpler way of constructing the diagram Q is

based on the use of differential dependence $Q = \frac{dM}{dx}$.

To use this dependence we obtain an analytical expression for determining the bending moment in the cross-section of a frame member. Consider such a member as a beam on two supports. Suppose that the beam at its span is loaded as shown in Figure 8.13, a. Both external moments at the supports (left (l) and right (r)) cause in the cross-sections of the beam over the supports the positive bending moments equal to M^l and M^r .

Having constructed for this beam the moment diagrams caused by span load (Figure 8.13, b) and supporting moments (Figure 8.13, c, d), we will determine, based on the principle of independence of the action of forces, the final ordinate in the cross-section k on the diagram M as the sum of its components :

$$M = M_F + \frac{l-x}{l} M_l + \frac{x}{l} M_r. \quad (8.16)$$

Taking the first derivative of the expression (8.16), we obtain the formula for determining the shear force in the same cross-section:

$$Q = Q_F + \frac{M_r - M_l}{l}. \quad (8.17)$$

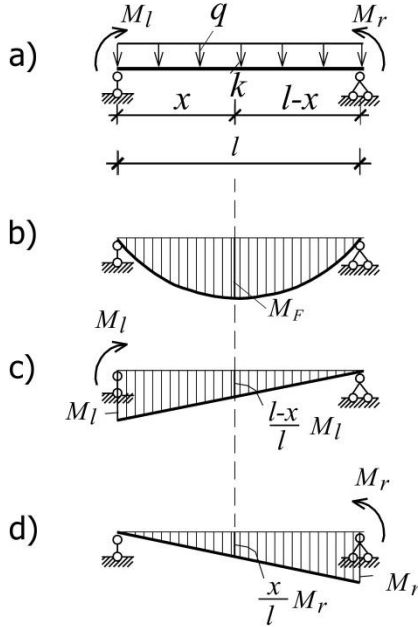


Figure 8.13

8.7. Calculation Algorithm. Calculation Check

The process of calculating statically indeterminate frames or any other statically indeterminate systems by the force method includes the following steps.

1. Determination of the degree of static indeterminacy of the system.
2. Selection of the primary system.
3. The recording of the system of canonical equations in the general form.

4. Construction of the diagrams of the internal forces in the primary system due to the external load and the unit values of the primary unknowns.

5. Calculation of the coefficients at the unknown and free terms of the canonical equations.

6. Recording the system of canonical equations in numerical form and solving it.

7. Construction of the final diagram of bending moments.

8. Construction of the final diagrams of Q and N .

In order not to be mistaken during the calculation, the calculations at each step of the algorithm should be checked. For this, of course, it is necessary to understand thoroughly the essence of the operations performed and correctly use the knowledge accumulated during the studying the course of structural mechanics.

Let us explain the features of checking the accuracy of the calculation at individual steps of the algorithm.

First of all, we make a remark on the question of choosing the primary system. For all possible variants of the primary system, a kinematic analysis of them should be performed in the sequence recommended in Chapter 1. Particular attention should be paid to the analysis of the structure of the system and its verification for instantaneous changeability.

At the step of constructing the efforts diagrams in the primary system, as a rule, the static method is used. To check the diagrams, the conditions of equilibrium of fragments of the design scheme, in particular, frame nodes, are used the most.

Verification of the calculation of the coefficients at the unknown and free terms of the canonical equations is carried out using the total diagram of the unit moments \bar{M}_s , construct according to the rule:

$$\bar{M}_s = \bar{M}_1 + \bar{M}_2 + \dots + \bar{M}_n. \quad (8.18)$$

If we "multiply" diagram \bar{M}_i and diagram \bar{M}_s , we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_{i_s} &= \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_i \bar{M}_s}{EJ} dx = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_i (\bar{M}_1 + \bar{M}_2 + \dots + \bar{M}_n)}{EJ} dx = \\
&= \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_i \bar{M}_1}{EJ} dx + \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_i \bar{M}_2}{EJ} dx + \dots + \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_i \bar{M}_n}{EJ} dx = \quad (8.19) \\
&= \delta_{i1} + \delta_{i2} + \dots + \delta_{in} = \sum \delta_{ik}, k=1, 2, \dots, n,
\end{aligned}$$

i. e., the sum of the coefficients for unknowns in the i -th ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$) equation should be equal δ_{i_s} . Such a check is called line by line.

Instead of “multiplying” each unit moment diagram by total diagram M_s , in practice, we can “multiply” \bar{M}_s by \bar{M}_s . Using (8.19), it is easy to show that:

$$\delta_{ss} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_s \bar{M}_s}{EJ} dx = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \delta_{ik}, \quad (8.20)$$

i.e. δ_{ss} equal to the sum of all the coefficients of the canonical equations.

This check is called universal.

Similarly, verification of the calculation of free terms is performed:

$$\Delta_{sF} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_s M_F}{EJ} dx = \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta_{iF}. \quad (8.21)$$

The sum of all free terms of the canonical equations is Δ_{sF} .

It should be noted that performing the checks of coefficients and free terms mentioned here is not always a guarantee of correct calculations. In the course of determining δ_{ik} , Δ_{iF} and δ_{ss} , Δ_{sF} in some step, the same mistake can be made and, as a result, it will be unnoticed. Therefore, we recall once again that the basis of correct calculations at this step is knowledge and the ability to apply methods for calculating the Mohr integrals correctly.

To verify the final diagrams of bending moments static and kinematic checks are used. The static check of the diagram “ M ” carries out by checking the equilibrium of the frame nodes. With its help, only errors that

can be made during the step of constructing the bending moment diagram using the formula (8.15) are detected.

The main verification is kinematic one (its other names: deformation check, check of displacements). The displacement of the application point of the i -th primary unknown in its direction in the given system should be equal to zero. Therefore, using the general rule for determining displacements, we obtain:

$$\sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_i M dx}{EJ} = 0. \quad (8.22)$$

In this case, it is clear that the sum of the displacements along the directions of all the primary unknowns is also equal to zero. Consequently,

$$\sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_s M dx}{EJ} = 0, \quad (8.23)$$

i. e., the result of “multiplying” the total unit diagram \bar{M}_s by the final diagram of the moments must be equal to zero.

The static check of the diagrams Q and N consists in checking the equilibrium of the part of the frame cut off from the support connections.

Example. Construct the diagrams M , Q and N for the frame shown in Figure 8.14, a.

The given frame is twice statically indeterminate. The primary system and the primary unknowns are shown in Figure 8.14, b. The system of canonical equations has the form:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \delta_{11}X_1 + \delta_{12}X_2 + \Delta_{1F} &= 0; \\ \delta_{21}X_1 + \delta_{22}X_2 + \Delta_{2F} &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Diagrams of bending moments in the primary system caused by the action of $X_1 = 1$, $X_2 = 1$ and external load are shown in Figures 8.14, c, d, e.

We determine the coefficients at unknowns and the free terms in the canonical equations:

$$\delta_{11} = \frac{1}{2EJ} \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 3 \right) + \frac{1}{EJ} \cdot 3 \cdot 6 \cdot 3 + \frac{1}{EJ} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 3 = \frac{203}{3EJ};$$

$$\delta_{22} = \frac{1}{2EJ} \cdot 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 + \frac{1}{EJ} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 6 \cdot 6 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 6 = \frac{144}{EJ};$$

$$\delta_{12} = \delta_{21} = -\frac{1}{2EJ} \cdot 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 1 - \frac{1}{EJ} \cdot 3 \cdot 6 \cdot 3 = -\frac{66}{EJ};$$

$$\Delta_{1F} = \frac{1}{2EJ} \cdot 320 \cdot 4 \cdot 1 + \frac{6}{6EJ} (320 \cdot 3 + 4 \cdot 125 \cdot 3 + 20 \cdot 3) = \frac{3160}{EJ};$$

$$\Delta_{2F} = -\frac{1}{2EJ} \cdot 320 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 + \frac{6}{6EJ} (-320 \cdot 6 - 4 \cdot 125 \cdot 3) = -\frac{7260}{EJ}.$$

To check the coefficients and free terms, a total diagram of the unit moments is constructed (Figure 8.14, e). Using the formula (8.20), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{ss} &= \frac{4}{6 \cdot 2EJ} (2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 7 \cdot 7 + 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 2) + \\ &+ \frac{6}{6EJ} (3 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 3) + \frac{1}{EJ} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 3 = \frac{239}{3EJ}. \end{aligned}$$

Indeed:

$$\delta_{11} + \delta_{12} + \delta_{21} + \delta_{22} = \frac{203}{3EJ} - \frac{66}{EJ} - \frac{66}{EJ} + \frac{144}{EJ} = \frac{239}{3EJ}.$$

By the formula (8.21) we have:

$$\Delta_{sF} = -\frac{1}{2EJ} \cdot 320 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 + \frac{6}{6EJ} (-320 \cdot 3 + 20 \cdot 3) = -\frac{4100}{EJ},$$

that is equal to $\Delta_{1F} + \Delta_{2F} = \frac{3160}{EJ} - \frac{7260}{EJ} = -\frac{4100}{EJ}.$

We record the system of equations in numerical form:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{203}{3EJ} X_1 - \frac{66}{EJ} X_2 + \frac{3160}{EJ} &= 0; \\ -\frac{66}{EJ} X_1 + \frac{144}{EJ} X_2 - \frac{7260}{EJ} &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Having solved this system of equations, we find:

$$X_1 = 4.477 \text{ kN}; \quad X_2 = 52.468 \text{ kN}.$$

To construct the final moment diagrams, we use the formula (8.15). The diagrams $M_1 X_1$ and $M_2 X_2$ are shown in Figures 8.14, g, h, and the final diagram M is shown in Figure 8.14, i. Its static verification is performed (The reader is advised to conduct its own verification). We perform a kinematic check:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_s M dx}{EJ} &= \frac{4}{6 \cdot 2EJ} (-2 \cdot 3 \cdot 18.62 - 2 \cdot 7 \cdot 0.71 - 3 \cdot 0.71 - 7 \cdot 18.62) + \\ &+ \frac{6}{6EJ} (-3 \cdot 18.62 + 3 \cdot 33.43) + \frac{1}{EJ} \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 13.43 = \\ &= -\frac{140.57}{EJ} + \frac{140.55}{EJ} = -\frac{0.02}{EJ}. \end{aligned}$$

The relative error of the calculations is:

$$\varepsilon = \left| \frac{-0.02}{140.55} \right| \cdot 100 \approx 0.01\%$$

which is less than the acceptable value.

The diagram Q (Figure 8.14, k) is constructed in accordance with the diagram M . Once again, we note that a simpler way of constructing is based on dependency

$$Q = \frac{dM}{dx}.$$

We use the formula (8.17).

Considering the element 2-3 as a simple beam loaded with a uniformly distributed load, we construct a diagram of the shear forces (diagram of the shear forces for the beam). It is shown in Figure 8.14, l.

Given the distribution of moments on this element (Figure 8.14, i) using the formula (8.17), we find that in the cross-section adjacent to the node 2:

$$Q_2 = 30 + \frac{-33.43 - (-18.62)}{6} = 27.53 \text{ kN},$$

and in the cross-section adjacent to the node 3:

$$Q_3 = -30 + \frac{-33.43 - (-18.62)}{6} = -32.47 \text{ kN}.$$

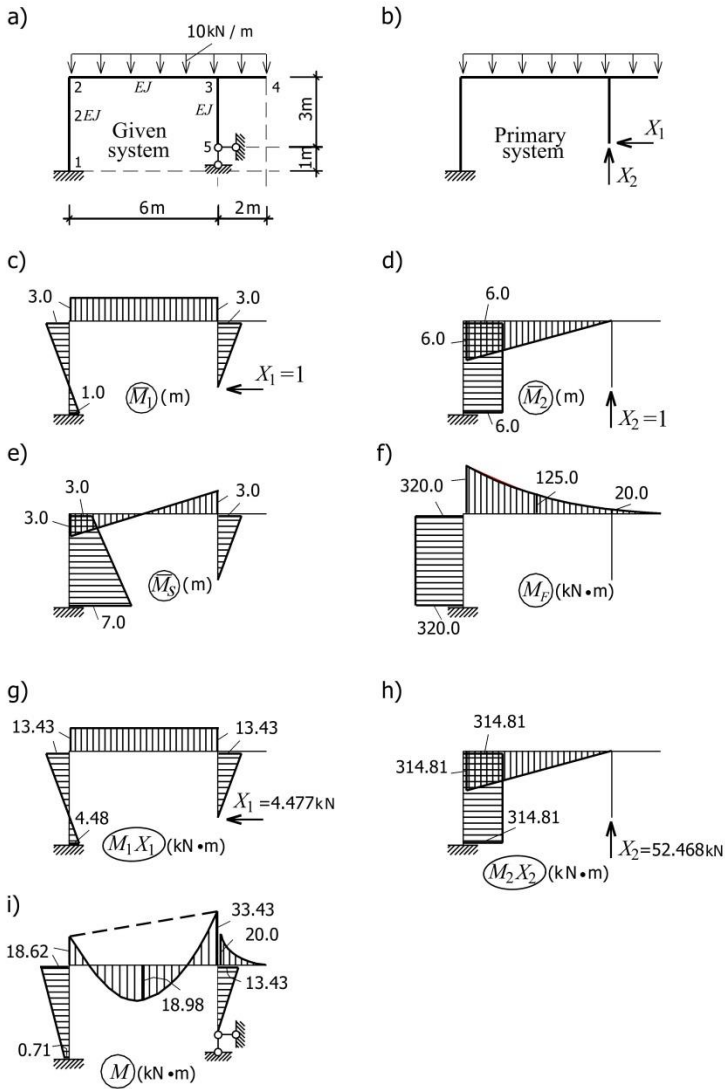


Figure 8.14 (beginning)

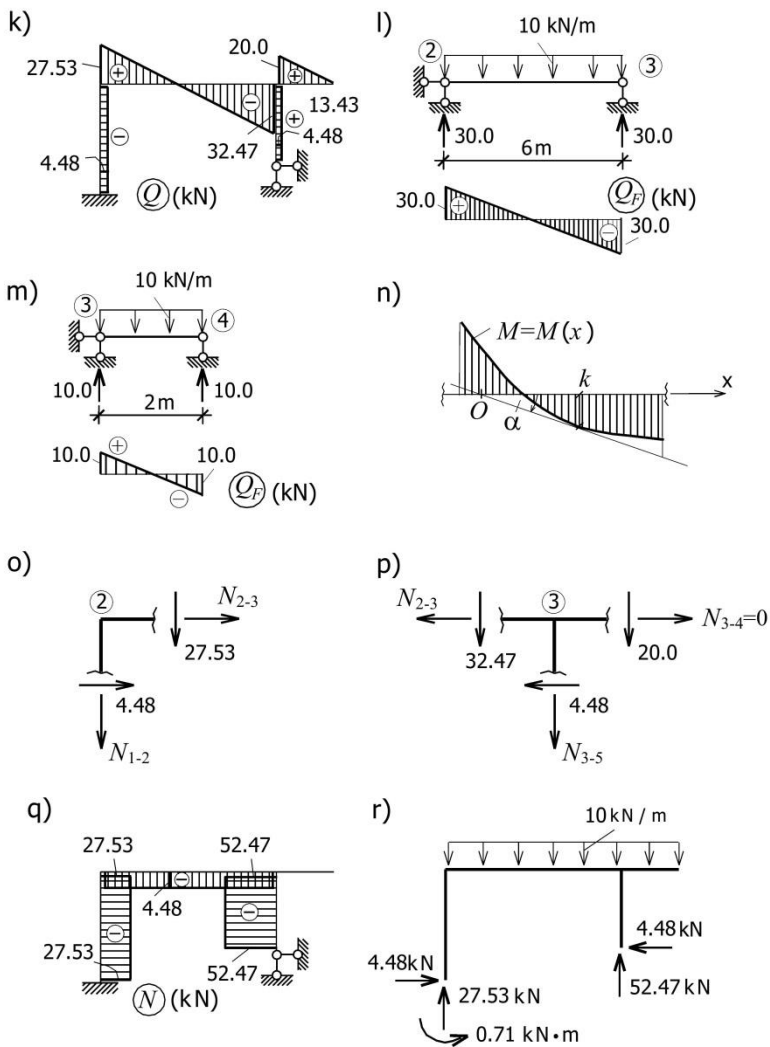


Figure 8.14 (ending)

The Q diagram for the cantilever 3-4 is constructed as for a statically determinable fragment of a frame. However, in this case we can also use the formula (8.17), if you consider section 3-4 as a beam with two supports (Figure 8.14, m).

Then in the cross-section adjacent to the node 3:

$$Q_3 = 10 + \frac{0 - (-20)}{2} = 20 \text{ kN},$$

and in the cross-section adjacent to the node 4:

$$Q_4 = -10 + \frac{0 - (-20)}{2} = 0.$$

For element 1-2 we get:

$$Q_1 = 0 + \frac{-18.62 - (-0.71)}{4} = -4.48 \text{ kN},$$

$$Q_2 = 0 + \frac{-18.62 - (-0.71)}{4} = -4.48 \text{ kN}.$$

Mind that $\frac{dM}{dx} = \operatorname{tg} \alpha$. The diagram of bending moments is usually constructed on the stretched fibers of the element. For horizontal elements, the positive ordinates of the bending moments must be located below the axis of the element. Therefore, the sign of the transverse force in a given cross-section “ k ” of the horizontal bar can be determined as follows. Drawing a tangent to the line bounding the diagram M , at a point, corresponding to the position of the cross-section k (Figure 8.14, n), it is necessary to find the intersection point of this tangent and the axis of the element (point O).

If the axis of the element must be rotated around the point O until it coincides with the tangent in the shortest way clockwise, then the shear (transverse) force in the cross-section k will be positive ($Q > 0$). When the

axis of the element moves anticlockwise, then the shear force in the cross-section will be negative ($Q < 0$).

On the linear zones of the diagram of bending moments, the position of the tangent coincides with the line bounding the diagram. The shear force along the entire length of this section will be constant. For the element 3–5

$$Q = \frac{13.43}{3} = -4.48 \text{ kN},$$

and for the element 1–2

$$Q = -\frac{18.62 - 0.71}{4} = -4.48 \text{ kN}.$$

After determining the shear forces in the frame elements the longitudinal forces N are determined from the equilibrium equations of the nodes. The calculations begin with a node in which the elements with no more than two unknown forces are joined, and then, sequentially cutting out the nodes, determine the efforts in all other bars. The equilibrium equations are written as the sum of the projections of all the forces (both internal and external forces applied to the nodes, if any) on the vertical and horizontal axes. In the presence of inclined bars, if the calculations may be simplified, the forces projections can be performed to the axes perpendicular to the bars directions.

Composing equations for node 2 (Figure 8.14, o) $\sum X = 0$, $\sum Y = 0$, we find $N_{2-3} = -4.48 \text{ kN}$, $N_{1-2} = -27.53 \text{ kN}$.

From the equation $\sum Y = 0$ for node 3 (Figure 8.14, p) we get $N_{3-5} = -52.47 \text{ kN}$.

The equation $\sum X = 0$ for node 3 is a test one. The diagram N is shown in Figure 8.14, p.

For carrying out a static check of the diagrams Q and N we cut off the frame from the support connections, load it by a given load and shear and longitudinal forces in the cross-sections separating the rods from the support connections (Figure 8.14, c). Composing the equations $\sum X = 0$, $\sum Y = 0$ and $\sum M = 0$, we make sure that the frame is in equilibrium.

8.8. The Concept of Rational Primary System and Methods of Its Choice

A rational primary system is such a system for which in the canonical equations greatest possible number of secondary coefficients is zero. At the same time, it is very important to set zero coefficients only on the basis of a visual analysis of the outline of the force diagrams, without spending time on their numerical determination. Zeroing secondary coefficients leads to significant simplifications in the calculation.

If some coefficient δ_{ik} is equal to zero, the corresponding diagrams \bar{M}_i and \bar{M}_k are usually called mutually orthogonal. An analogy with the scalar product of mutually orthogonal vectors is used.

The most commonly used methods for obtaining rational primary systems include: using the symmetry of the system, grouping unknowns, transforming of the load, breaking up multi-span frames.

1. Using the symmetry of the system. The primary system for a frame which has a symmetric geometric dimensions and symmetric rigidity of the elements should be taken symmetrical. If the primary unknowns can be positioned on the axis of symmetry, then some of them will be symmetric, and the other - inversely symmetric (or skew-symmetric). Due to the action of a symmetrical load on the symmetrical frame, the distribution of forces in its elements will be symmetric, and vice versa: inverse-symmetrical loading of the symmetrical frame causes inverse-symmetrical forces in its elements. Therefore, the diagrams of bending moments in the primary system will be either symmetrical or inverse-symmetrical. Symmetrical and inverse-symmetrical diagrams are mutually orthogonal.

For example, taking for the frame (Figure 8.15, a) the primary system shown in Figure 8.15, b, we obtain symmetrical diagrams $\bar{M}_1, \bar{M}_2, \bar{M}_4$ (Figures 8.15, c, d, f) and inverse-symmetrical \bar{M}_3 (Figure 8.15, e). Therefore, the coefficients $\delta_{13}, \delta_{31}, \delta_{23}, \delta_{32}, \delta_{34}, \delta_{43}$ are equal to zero.

Crossing out in the system of equations (the reader should write them down) the terms including the listed coefficients, we see that it has decomposed into a subsystem containing only symmetrical unknowns and one equation with inverse-symmetrical unknown.

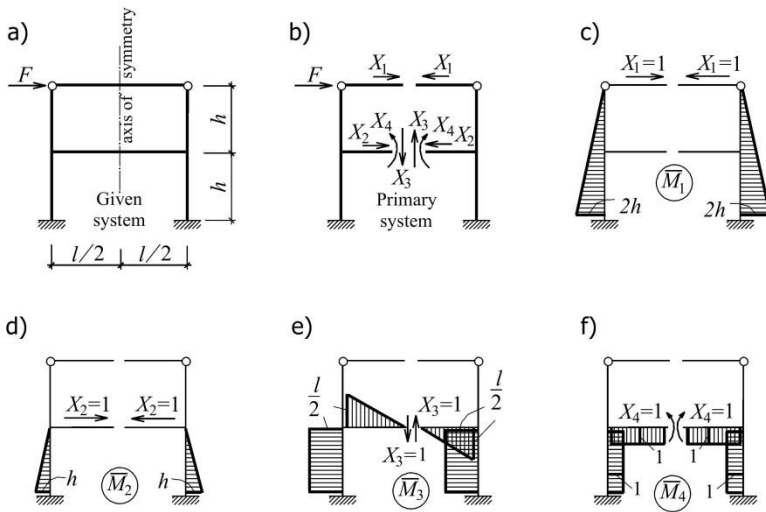


Figure 8.15

It is easy, obviously, to extend the above reasoning to examples of frames with a large number of unknowns.

2. Groups of the unknown. In many cases, the primary unknowns cannot be positioned on the axis of symmetry. So, for the frame shown in Figure 8.16, a, the number of redundant constraints is six. The symmetric primary system can be adopted according to the variant shown in Figure 8.16, b. However, in this case, when loading it with forces $X_i = 1$ none of the diagrams of bending moments will turn out to be symmetrical or inversely-symmetrical, which means that all secondary coefficients will be nonzero.

In order to obtain symmetrical and invers-symmetrical force plots, it is necessary to introduce new ones (we will denote them Z_i), which are groups of forces, instead of traditional unknowns X_i . The transition from old unknowns to new ones, and vice versa, should be univocal.

In Figure 8.16,c the same primary system with new unknowns is shown. Comparing the location of the unknowns in Figures 8.16, b, c, we find the rules for converting them: each pair of symmetrically located unknowns X_i corresponds to the operation of addition or subtraction of symmetrical and inverse-symmetrical group unknowns Z_i .

In particular, $X_1 = Z_1 + Z_2$, $X_4 = Z_1 - Z_2$, from where the expressions for Z :

$$Z_1 = \frac{X_1 + X_4}{2}, \quad Z_2 = \frac{X_1 - X_4}{2}.$$

The diagrams of efforts caused by group unknowns are shown in Figure 8.16, d-i. Due to the mutual orthogonality of symmetrical and inverse-symmetrical diagrams, the system of canonical equations decomposes into two independent ones: one of them will include only symmetrical unknowns Z_1, Z_3, Z_5 , and the other will include only inverse-symmetrical Z_2, Z_4, Z_6 .

3. Transforming of the load. Further simplifications in the calculation of symmetric systems (Figure 8.17, a) are associated with the decomposition of the load into symmetrical and inverse-symmetrical components.

Using the property of mutual orthogonality of the diagrams, it is easy to show that, when a symmetrical load is applied to a symmetrical system, inverse-symmetrical unknowns become zero, and when a inverse-symmetrical load acts, symmetrical unknowns turn out to be zero. In relation to the design scheme of the frame shown in Figure 8.17, b, this means that it should be calculated as systems with three unknowns X_1, X_2, X_4 (the primary system is shown in Figure 8.15, b), and the frame calculation for the action of inverse-symmetrical load (Figure 8.17, c) as systems with one unknown X_3 .

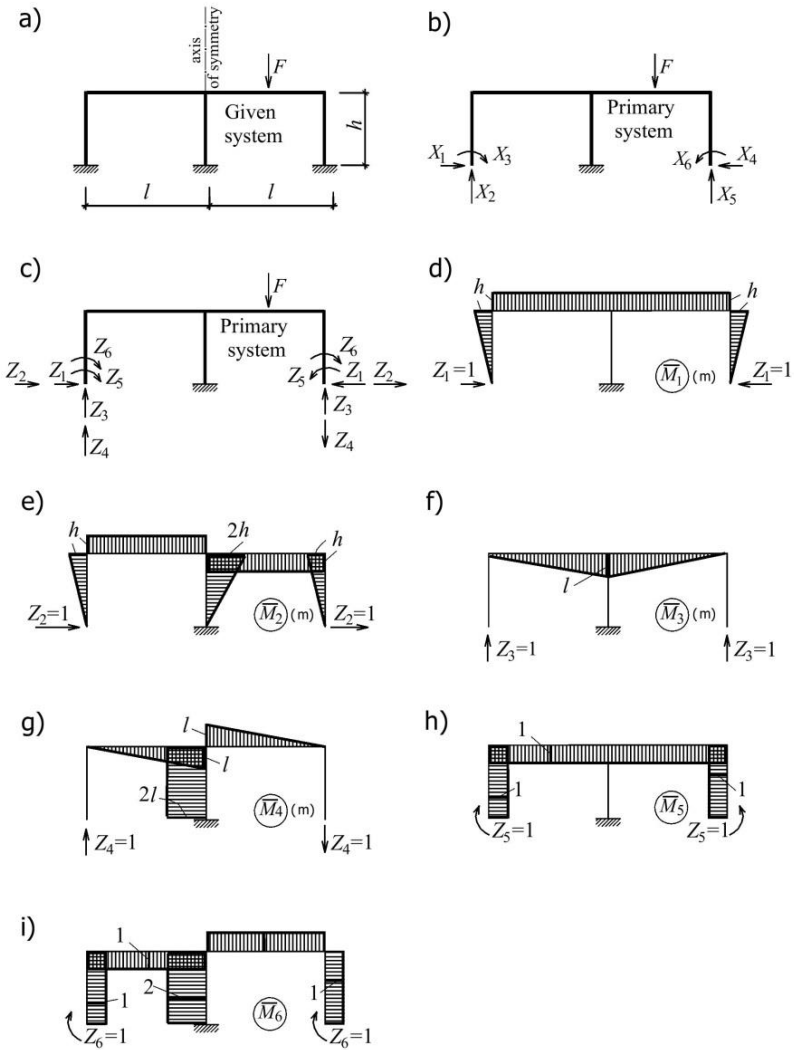


Figure 8.16

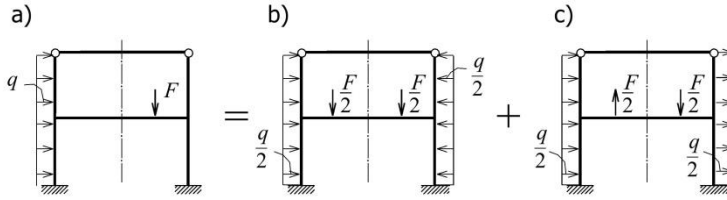


Figure 8.17

4. Breaking up multi-span frames. This method is used for both symmetrical and asymmetrical frames. Less computational work to define δ_{ik} , will be if the diagrams of the internal forces in the primary system extend to small fragments of the frame, i. e., they are “localized” in the vicinity of the load.

For a frame (Figure 8.18, a) with four unknowns in Figures 8.18, b, c, two variants of the primary system are presented. Analyzing the distribution of bending moments due to $X_i = 1$ in the frame shown in Figure 8.18, b, we can verify that none of the coefficients δ_{ik} is equal to zero.

In the system shown in Figure 8.18, c, bending moment diagrams occur only on columns directly perceiving the action $X_i = 1$. Therefore, $\delta_{13} = \delta_{31} = 0$, $\delta_{14} = \delta_{41} = 0$, $\delta_{24} = \delta_{42} = 0$, and the primary system is rational.

8.9. Determining Displacements in Statically Indeterminate Systems

To determine the displacements using the Mohr formula, described in section 7.6, it is necessary to construct in the system the bending moment diagrams caused by the given loading (Figure 8.19, a) and the auxiliary loading (Figure 8.19, b). Then the required displacement will be calculated by the formula (8.24):

$$\Delta_{kF} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_k M}{EJ} dx. \quad (8.24)$$

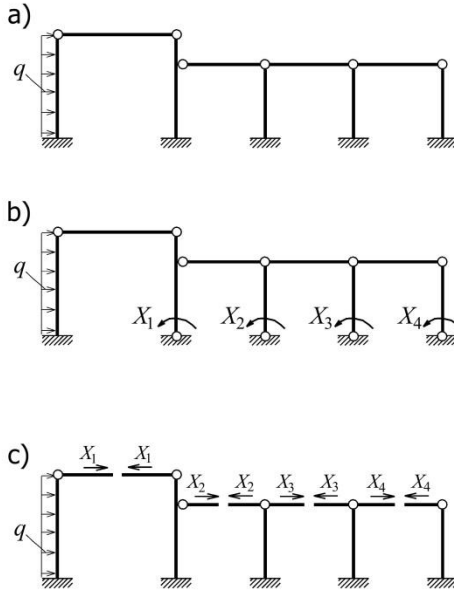


Figure 8.18

However, this method of calculation is not entirely convenient, since it will be necessary to calculate the statically indeterminate system twice.

A simpler calculation method can be obtained from the following reasoning. If you load the primary system with a given load and primary unknowns, which have been determined from the canonical equations, then the diagram of bending moment in this statically determinate system (Figure 8.19, c) will completely coincide with the final moment diagram (Figure 8.19, a). Therefore, if we consider the state of the frame in Figure 8.19, c as the initial one, then to determine the displacement of the point k it is possible to take a statically determinate system (Figure 8.19, d) as an auxiliary state. In this case:

$$\Delta_{kF} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_k^0 M}{EJ} dx, \quad (8.25)$$

where \bar{M}_k^0 –is the bending moments in a statically determinate system due to $F_k = 1$.

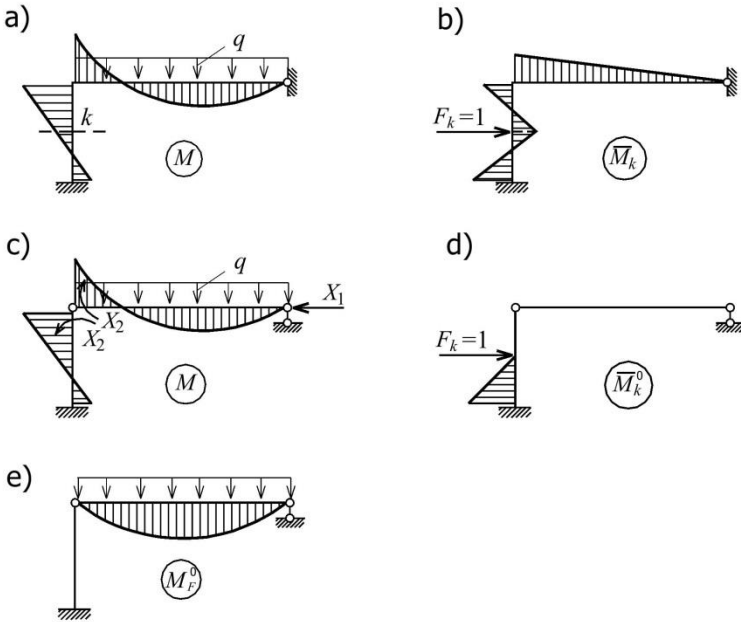


Figure 8.19

Another method can be used to calculate the same displacement: the diagram of bending moments caused by given load can be constructed in the primary system, and the diagram caused by $F_k = 1$ – in a given statically indeterminate system. We will show this.

Applying reciprocity theorem to the states of the frame shown in Figures 8.19, a, b, we get:

$$F_k \Delta_{kF} = F \Delta_{Fk}, \quad (8.26)$$

where $F_k = 1$;

F are the forces acting in the state a (this force is a uniformly distributed load q in Figure 8.19,a);

Δ_{Fk} is the displacement caused by $F_k = 1$ in the direction of force F , (in this example, the area of the diagram of vertical displacements of the horizontal element).

Since the diagrams in the states a (Figure 8.19, a) and c (Figure 8.19, c) coincide completely, the expression (8.26) is applicable to the frame states b (Figure 8.19, b) and c . In this case, as F , in Figure 8.19, c, the distributed load and the primary unknowns X_1 and X_2 are accepted. But the work of the primary unknowns on the displacements of the frame in the state b is equal to zero. Therefore:

$$\Delta_{kF} = \sum F \Delta_{Fk}, \quad (8.27)$$

i. e., the right side of the expression (8.27) is the work of external forces applied to the primary system. This work is done on the displacements of a statically indeterminate system in state k .

Note that in the above explanations, there were no restrictions on the choice of the primary system.

Writing the expression (8.27) through the work of bending moments, we obtain:

$$\Delta_{kF} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_k M_F^0}{EJ} dx, \quad (8.28)$$

where M_F^0 is the bending moments diagram in the primary system (Figure 8.19, e).

Thus, when determining displacements in statically indeterminate systems, one of the “multiplied” diagrams can be built in a given statically indeterminate system, and the second – in any statically determinate one obtained from a given system.

Let us turn to the calculations. In Figure 8.20, a diagram of bending moments in a statically indeterminate frame caused by a given load is shown,

and in Figure 8.20, b - diagram of bending moments in the same frame caused by $F_k = 1$. By the formula (8.24) we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{kF} &= \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_k M dx}{EJ} = \\ &= \frac{l}{24EJ} \left[-2 \frac{15l}{176} \frac{ql^2}{22} - 2 \frac{13l}{176} \frac{ql^2}{44} + \frac{15l}{176} \frac{ql^2}{44} + \frac{13l}{176} \frac{ql^2}{22} \right] + \\ &+ \frac{l}{24EJ} \left[2 \frac{3l}{176} \frac{ql^2}{11} - 2 \frac{13l}{176} \frac{ql^2}{44} - \frac{13l}{176} \frac{ql^2}{11} + \frac{3l}{176} \frac{ql^2}{44} \right] + \\ &+ \frac{l}{6EJ} \left[\frac{3l}{176} \frac{ql^2}{11} - 4 \frac{3l}{352} \frac{7}{88} ql^2 \right] = - \frac{ql^4}{1408 EJ} \text{ m.} \end{aligned}$$

In Figure 8.20,c the diagram of moments in a statically determinate frame (primary system) caused by $F_k = 1$ is shown, and in Figure 8.20, d - plot of moments in the primary system caused by a given load. By the formula (8.25) we get:

$$\Delta_{kF} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_k^0 M dx}{EJ} = \frac{l}{24EJ} \left[-2 \frac{l}{4} \frac{ql^2}{22} + \frac{l}{4} \frac{ql^2}{44} \right] = - \frac{ql^4}{1408 EJ} \text{ m.}$$

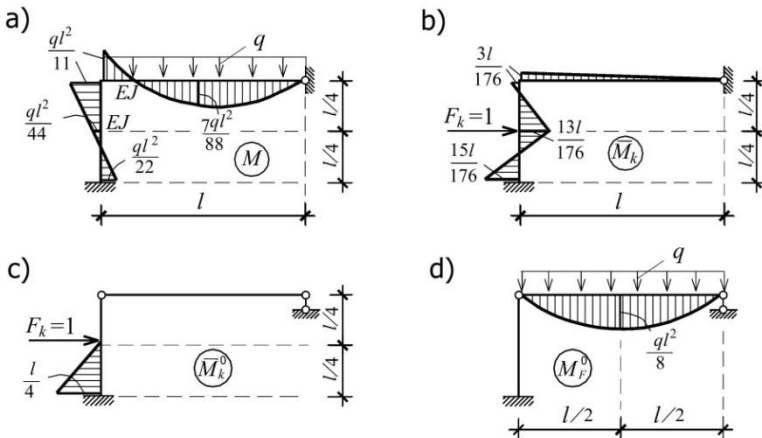


Figure 8.20

According to the formula (8.28):

$$\Delta_{kF} = \sum \int \frac{\bar{M}_k M_F^0 dx}{EJ} = -\frac{1}{EJ} \frac{2}{3} \frac{ql^2}{8} l \frac{1}{2} \frac{3l}{176} = -\frac{ql^4}{1408 EJ} \text{ m.}$$

It is clear that the calculations of displacements using formulas (8.25) or (8.28) are simpler than using the formula (8.24).

8.10. Calculating Frames Subjected to Change of Temperature and to Settlement of Supports

When calculating the frames subjected to the thermal effect, the canonical equations of the force method are recorded in the form:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \delta_{11}X_1 + \delta_{12}X_2 + \delta_{13}X_3 + \dots + \delta_{1n}X_n + \Delta_{1t} &= 0; \\ \delta_{21}X_1 + \delta_{22}X_2 + \delta_{23}X_3 + \dots + \delta_{2n}X_n + \Delta_{2t} &= 0; \\ \cdot & \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ \delta_{n1}X_1 + \delta_{n2}X_2 + \delta_{n3}X_3 + \dots + \delta_{nn}X_n + \Delta_{nt} &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

To calculate the free terms of the equations, formula (7.12) is used.

In statically determinate systems, there are not the efforts caused by the action of the temperature. Therefore, the final diagram of bending moments in a given frame is constructed by summing up unit diagrams of moments multiplied by found from the equations values of corresponding unknowns:

$$M = \bar{M}_1X_1 + \bar{M}_2X_2 + \dots + \bar{M}_nX_n. \quad (8.29)$$

Kinematic check comes down to the verification of the frame displacements in the direction of redundant constraints, i.e checking the condition:

$$\sum \int \frac{M\bar{M}_s dx}{EJ} + \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta_{it} = 0. \quad (8.30)$$

When calculating the frames subjected to the settlements of supports, the canonical equations are written in the form:

Table 8.1

№ element	$h, \text{ m}$	$t, ({}^0 \text{ C})$	$t', ({}^0 \text{ C})$	$\omega_{M_1}, \text{ m}^2$	$\omega_{N_1}, \text{ m}$	$\omega_{M_2}, \text{ m}^2$	$\omega_{N_2}, \text{ m}$
<i>AC</i>	0.3	-5	50	8	0	0	4
<i>CD</i>	0.4	-5	50	24	6	18	0
<i>BD</i>	0.3	-5	50	8	0	24	4

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{1t} &= \sum \alpha t \Omega_{N_1} + \sum \frac{\alpha t'}{h} \Omega_{M_1} = \\ &= \alpha \cdot 5 \cdot 6 - \frac{\alpha \cdot 50}{0.3} 8 - \frac{\alpha \cdot 50}{0.4} 24 - \frac{\alpha \cdot 50}{0.3} 8 = -5636.67 \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

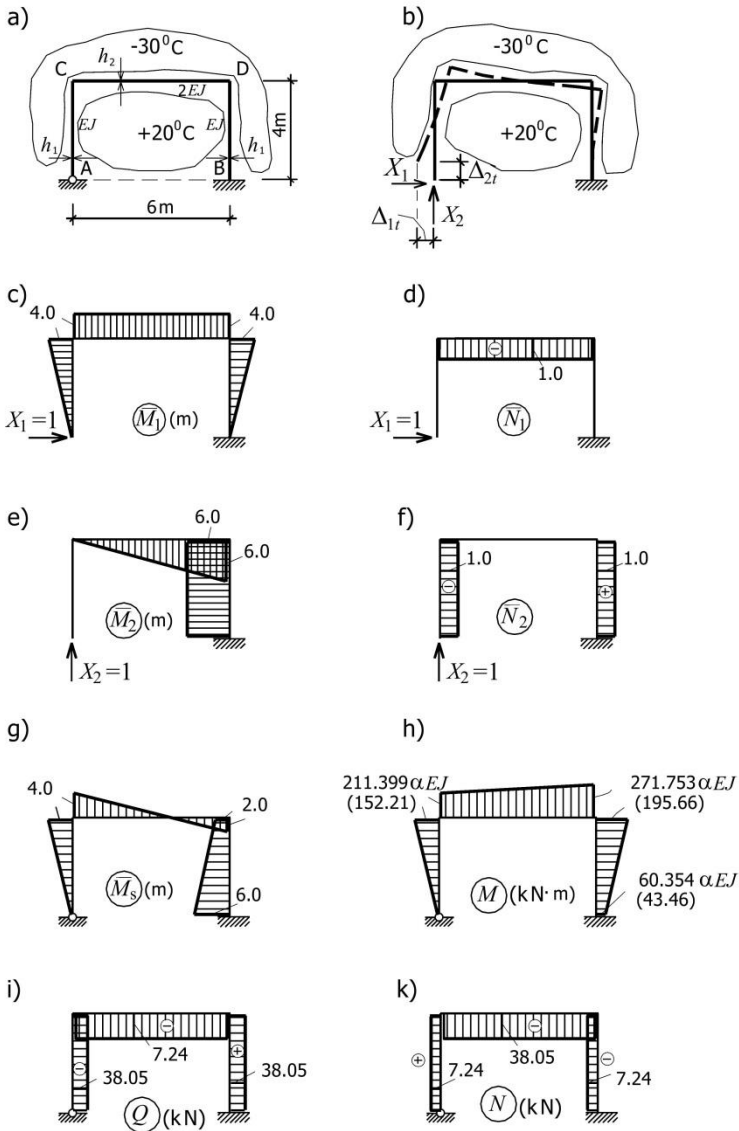
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{2t} &= \sum \alpha t \Omega_{N_2} + \sum \frac{\alpha t'}{h} \Omega_{M_2} = \\ &= \alpha \cdot 5 \cdot 4 - \alpha \cdot 5 \cdot 4 + \frac{\alpha \cdot 50}{0.4} 18 + \frac{\alpha \cdot 50}{0.3} 24 = 6250 \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Following the calculation algorithm (section 8.7), we write the system of canonical equations in numerical form:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{272}{3EJ} X_1 - \frac{84}{EJ} X_2 - 5636.67 \alpha &= 0; \\ -\frac{84}{EJ} X_1 + \frac{180}{EJ} X_2 + 6250.0 \alpha &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Solving it, we find $X_1 = 52.8498 \alpha EJ \text{ kN}$, $X_2 = -10.0590 \alpha EJ \text{ kN}$.

The static indeterminacy of the frame disclosed. There is not the diagram of moments caused by the external exposure in the statically determinate primary system subjected to the thermal effect.



Figures 8.21

Therefore, we construct the final diagram of bending moments by the expression:

$$M = \bar{M}_1 X_1 + \bar{M}_2 X_2.$$

This diagram is shown in Figure 8.21, h. Bending moments in the frame depend on the values of the rigidity of the elements, i. e., one of the general properties of statically indeterminate systems is confirmed (Section 8.1). In parentheses are the ordinates for the initial data accepted in the example.

We are performing a kinematic verification. The total diagram of unit moments \bar{M}_s is shown in Figure 8.21, g.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \int \frac{M \bar{M}_s}{EJ} + \sum_{i=1}^2 \Delta_{it} &= \frac{\alpha EJ}{EJ} \left[\frac{1}{2} 211.399 \cdot 4 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 4 + \right. \\ &+ \frac{6}{6 \cdot 2} (2 \cdot 211.399 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot 271.753 \cdot 2 + 271.753 \cdot 4 - 211.399 \cdot 2) - \\ &- \frac{4}{6} (2 \cdot 271.753 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 60.354 \cdot 6 + 60.354 \cdot 2 + 271.753 \cdot 6) - \\ &\left. - 5636.67 \alpha + 6250.0 \alpha \right] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The condition (8.30) is satisfied. The diagrams Q and N are shown in Figures 8.21,i,k.

E x a m p l e. Construct diagrams M , Q and N in the frame subjected to the settlements of supports indicated in Figure 8.22,a. It is assumed that the rigidity of the frame elements equal to $EJ = 60 \text{ MN} \cdot \text{m}^2$, and the settlements of supports equals to $c_1 = c_2 = c = 0.01 \text{ m}$.

The given frame is twice statically indeterminate. Selecting the primary system of the force method (Figure 8.22, b), we write the canonical equations in the form:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \delta_{11} X_1 + \delta_{12} X_2 + \Delta_{1c} &= 0; \\ \delta_{21} X_1 + \delta_{22} X_2 + \Delta_{2c} &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

We will construct the unit moments diagrams (Figures 8.22, c, d) and calculate the coefficients of canonical equations:

$$\delta_{11} = \frac{225}{3EJ}, \quad \delta_{22} = \frac{16}{3EJ}, \quad \delta_{12} = \frac{20}{3EJ}.$$

Considering the distribution of reactions in the support constraints due to $X_1 = 1$ (Figure 8.22, c) and $X_2 = 1$ (Figure 8.22, d), according to the formula (7.13) we get:

$$\Delta_{1c} = -\sum R_{k1}c_k = -(-1c_1 - 2.5c_2) = c_1 + 2.5c_2 = 3.5c;$$

$$\Delta_{2c} = -\sum R_{k2}c_k = -(-0.5c_2) = 0.5c_2 = 0.5c.$$

The canonical equations, after simple transformations, get the following form:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{225}{3}X_1 + \frac{20}{3}X_2 + 3.5cEJ &= 0; \\ \frac{20}{3}X_1 + \frac{16}{3}X_2 + 0.5cEJ &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Having solved them, we find:

$$X_1 = -0.043125cEJ, \quad X_2 = -0.039844cEJ.$$

Since the displacements of the supports does not cause efforts in a statically determinate system the final diagram of the bending moments is constructed by the expression:

$$M = \bar{M}_1X_1 + \bar{M}_2X_2.$$

It is shown in Figure 8.22, f. In parentheses there are the values of the ordinates of the moments for the accepted source data. Kinematic verification, as when calculating the thermal effect, is reduced to verifying the fulfillment of the condition:

$$\sum \int \frac{M\bar{M}_s}{EJ} dx + \sum \Delta_{ic} = 0.$$

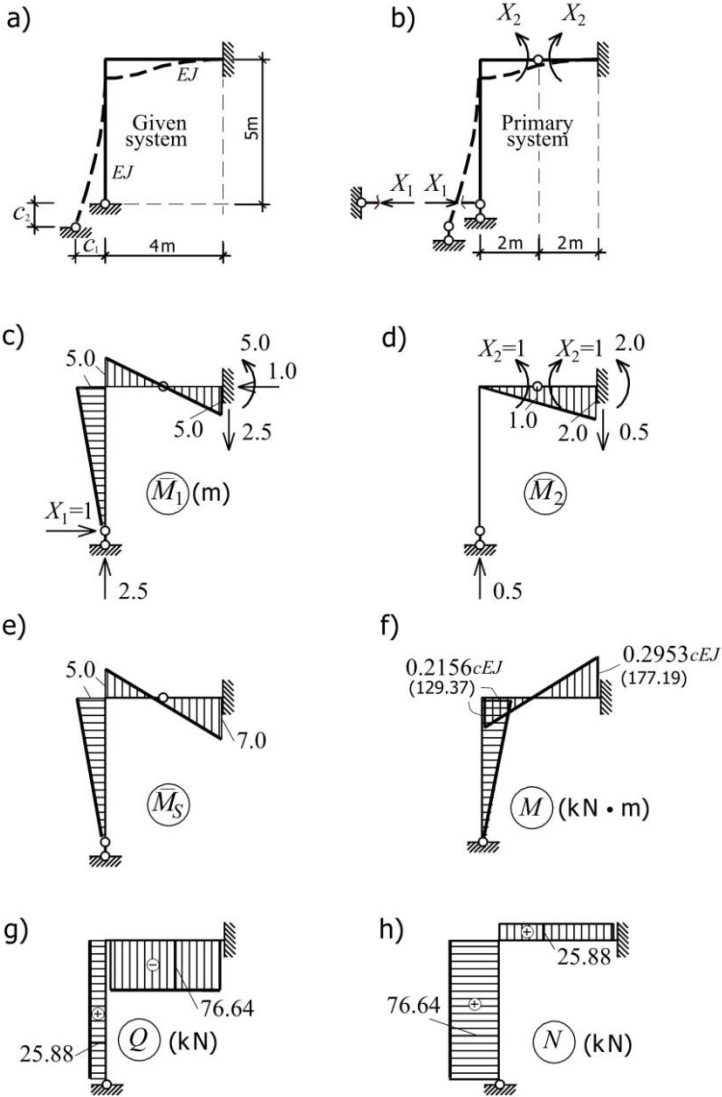


Figure 8.22

We will check it using the total unit diagram M_s (Figure 8.22, e):

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{cEJ}{EJ} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.2156 \cdot 5 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 5 + \frac{4}{6} \times \right. \\ & \left. \times (-2 \cdot 0.2156 \cdot 5 - 2 \cdot 0.2953 \cdot 7 + 0.2156 \cdot 7 + 0.2953 \cdot 5) \right] + \\ & + 3.5c + 0.5c = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The check is performed. The diagrams Q and N are shown in Figures 8.22, g, h.

8.11. Influence Line for Efforts

To construct the influence line for any effort, it is necessary, first, using the well-known methods of structural mechanics, to obtain the dependence (analytical or numerical) of this effort due to the position of the force $F = 1$ ($S = f(x)$), and then, using this dependence, determine the ordinates of the influence line for all characteristic sections.

If the methods of statics are used to determine the dependence $S = f(x)$ then the corresponding method of constructing the influence line is called static one.

In statically indeterminate systems, the effort in the cross-section of the element is determined by the expression (8.14). If it is used to construct influence lines mind, that the values of the primary unknowns X_i and the value of the effort in the cross-section k of the primary system change due to the moving load $F = 1$. Therefore, the expression (8.14) for constructing the influence line for the effort in the cross-section k should be rewritten in the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{inf.line } S_k &= \text{inf.line } S_k^0 + \bar{S}_{k1} (\text{inf.line } X_1) + \\ & + \bar{S}_{k2} (\text{inf.line } X_2) + \dots + \bar{S}_{kn} (\text{inf.line } X_n), \end{aligned} \tag{8.31}$$

where inf.line S_k^0 is the influence line for effort S in the cross-section k of the primary system;

\bar{S}_{ki} is the effort in the cross-section k of the primary system caused by $X_i = 1$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$).

We use this expression to construct the influence line for bending moment in the cross-section k of a once statically indeterminate beam (Figure 8.23, a).

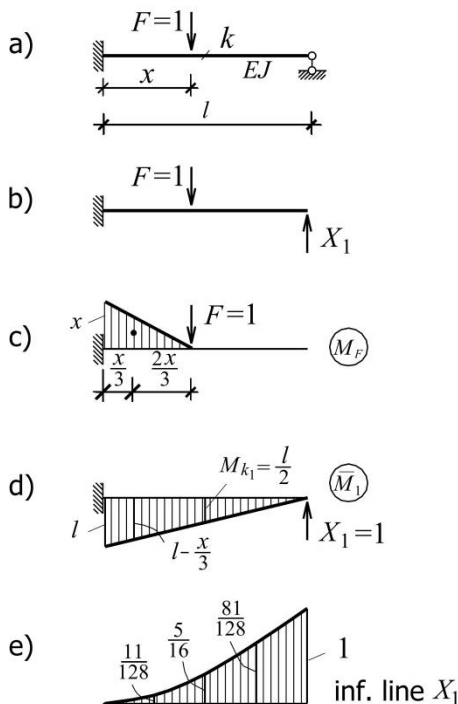


Figure 8.23

Having selected the primary system (Figure 8.23, b), we will construct the diagram of the moments caused by the movable load (Figure 8.23, c) and caused by the unit unknown $X_1 = 1$ (Figure 8.23, d). Then we determine:

$$\delta_{11} = \frac{l^3}{3EJ}, \quad \delta_{1F} = -\frac{x^2(3l-x)}{6EJ}.$$

From the canonical equation

$$\delta_{11}X_1 + \delta_{1F} = 0$$

we find:

$$X_1 = \frac{x^2(3l-x)}{2l^3}.$$

It follows that the influence line for X_1 is described by a curve of the third degree relative to the abscissa x of the moving load $F = 1$. It is shown in Figure 8.23, e.

In statically determinate systems, influence lines for efforts have a rectilinear outline or piece-broken (a rectilinear outline on a limited length of the movement of force). Recall, for example, influence lines for support reactions in simple beams, influence lines for bending moments, etc.

To construct influence line for bending moment M_k , the expression (8.31) can be written in the form:

$$\text{inf.line } M_k = \text{inf.line } M_k^0 + \bar{M}_{k1}(\text{inf.line } X_1). \quad (8.32)$$

In this example $M_{k1} = \frac{l}{2}$ (Figure 8.23, d). Inf.line M_k^0 is shown in Figure 8.24, b, and inf.line $M_{k1} X_1$ is shown in Figure 8.24, c.

Summing up two last influence lines, we get inf.line M_k (Figure 8.24, d).

The described method of constructing influence line can be applied to systems with a small number of unknowns using the “manual” (non-automated) method of calculating ordinates.

For complex systems, including frames, it is difficult to obtain analytical dependences of the required factor on the coordinate of the load $F = 1$, therefore, numerical methods of solution are used for them. Using computer programs that implement methods for calculating various

systems, one can find the required effort caused by unit load in various characteristic cross-sections of the frame.

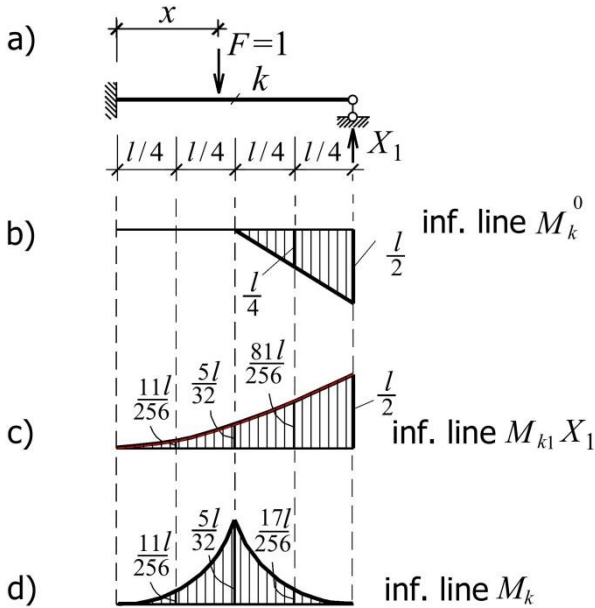


Figure 8.24

Thus, in order to construct the influence line for an effort, it is necessary to calculate the given system sequentially for several loadings by forces $F = 1$ applied in several characteristic points. Let us explain this approach to constructing of influence lines using the example of a two-span frame (Figure 8.25) all of whose elements have the same bending rigidity.

Suppose that a force $F = 1$ can move along elements 4–8 and 9–13. We construct influence line for bending moment in cross-section 6.

We accept three intermediate cross-sections on each of the bars and assume that all the elements of the frame have longitudinal rigidity $EA \rightarrow \infty$. Next, we perform the calculation of given frame subjected to the six unit loadings (force $F = 1$ is applied in each intermediate cross-section of elements 4–8 and 9–13). From the calculation results for each load position, we select the

bending moment values in cross-section 6 and build with them the influence line M_6 (Figure 8.25).

The static method in the presented form is currently the main method for constructing of influence lines for efforts and displacements in bar and continuum systems.

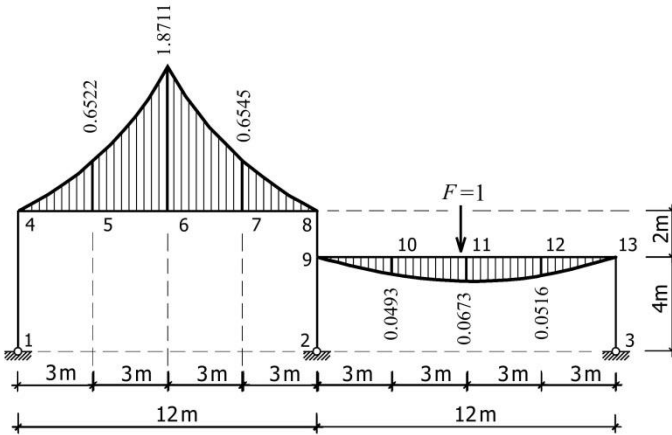


Figure 8.25

Such an approach to constructing influence lines for efforts (or other factors) is described in more detail in Section 9.11.

Let us briefly explain the essence of the kinematic method of constructing influence lines for efforts in statically indeterminate frames.

If for the given system having n redundant constraints, we take a statically indeterminate system with $n-1$ redundant constraints as the primary system, then the canonical equation of the force method for calculating the frame for the action of the force $F = 1$ will take the form:

$$\delta_{11}^{(n-1)} X_1 + \delta_{1F}^{(n-1)} = 0. \quad (8.33)$$

Since by the theorem on reciprocity of displacements $\delta_{1F}^{(n-1)} = \delta_{F1}^{(n-1)}$, then:

$$X_1 = -\frac{\delta_{F1}^{(n-1)}}{\delta_{11}^{(n-1)}}, \quad (8.34)$$

where $\delta_{11}^{(n-1)}$ is the displacement (in the system with $n-1$ unknowns) of the application point of force X_1 in its direction; it is calculated by “multiplying” the diagram $M_1^{(n-1)}$ by itself;

$\delta_{F1}^{(n-1)}$ is the displacement (in the same system) of application point of force $F=1$, caused by force $X_1=1$.

The load $F=1$ can take any position on the frame elements, therefore, δ_{F1} determines the displacement of the frame elements from the force $X_1=1$.

Thus, the expression (8.34) for constructing the influence line for X_1 can be written as follows:

$$\text{inf.line } X_1 = -\frac{\text{diag} \cdot \delta_{F1}^{(n-1)}}{\delta_{11}^{(n-1)}}. \quad (8.35)$$

So, to construct an influence line for X_1 it is necessary to construct the displacements diagram caused by the load $X_1=1$ of the frame elements along which the force $F=1$ moves, and divide all its ordinates by $(-\delta_{11})$.

The outline of the influence line turns out to be similar to the displacements diagram of the frame elements. The multiplier $(-\frac{1}{\delta_{11}})$ is the similarity coefficient. This is the main advantage of the kinematic method. With its help it is easy to imagine the shape of the influence line for effort. For this, it is necessary to remove the constraint in which the required force arises and load the frame (or other system) by the appropriate force $X_1=1$. With sufficient engineering intuition, it is easy to draw a diagram of displacements, i. e. the shape of influence line.

To construct, for example, the influence line for M_k in the statically indeterminate beam (Figure 8.24, a), it is need to set a hinge in the cross-section k and load the beam with bending moments X_1 (Figure 8.26). The diagram of the vertical displacements of the beam points will be similar to inf. line M_k .

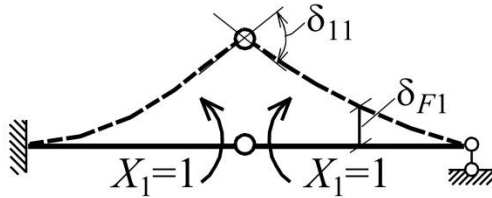


Figure 8.26

To construct the influence line M_6 in the frame (Figure 8.25) we set the hinge in the 6-th cross-section and load the frame with bending moments $X_1=1$ (Figure 8.27). The diagram of the vertical displacements of the horizontal elements caused by the given unit moments will be similar to the influence line M_6 . The ordinates δ_{F1} of the displacement diagram, if necessary, can be calculated according to the rules set out in section 8.9.

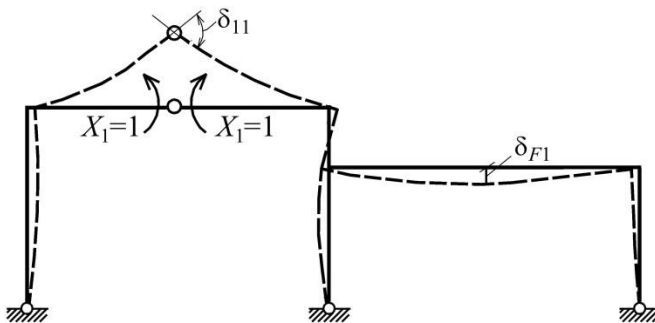


Figure 8.27

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