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# CEE 3211- MECHANICS OF MATERIALS

## DEFLECTION OF BEAMS - Double Integration Method

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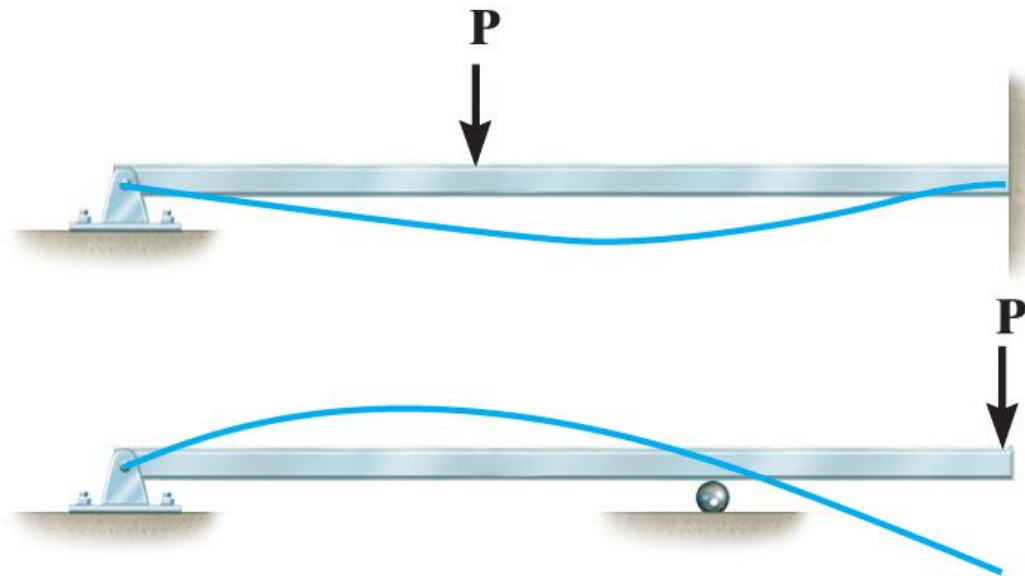
- ✓ Determine the deflection and slope at specific points on beams and shafts, using various analytical methods including:
  - The integration method

# APPLICATIONS



# ELASTIC CURVE

- The deflection diagram of the longitudinal axis that passes through the centroid of each cross-sectional area of the beam is called the elastic curve, which is characterized by the deflection and slope along the curve



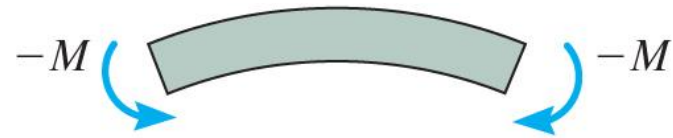
# ELASTIC CURVE (cont)

- Moment-curvature relationship:
  - Sign convention:



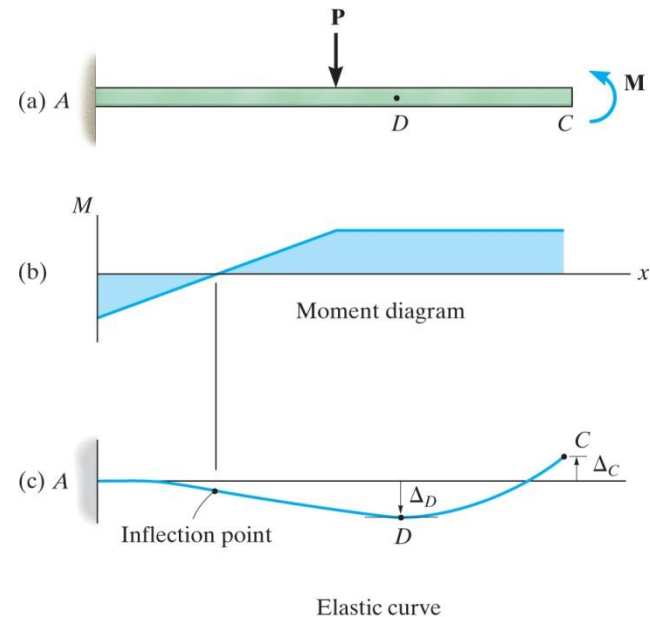
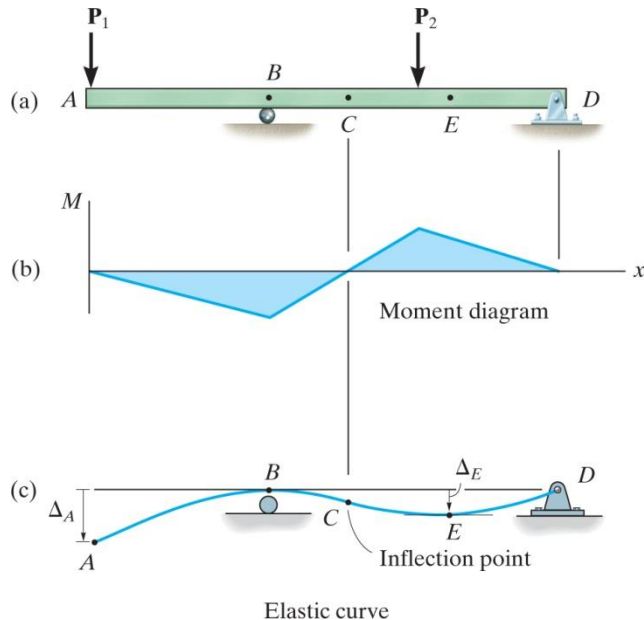
Positive internal moment  
concave upwards

(a)



Negative internal moment  
concave downwards

(b)



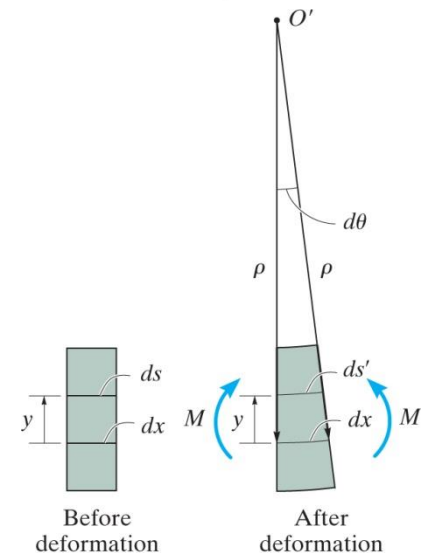
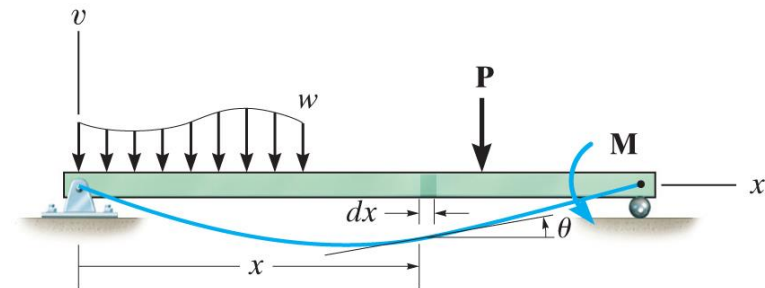
# ELASTIC CURVE (cont)

- Consider a segment of width  $dx$ , the strain in fibre are  $ds$ , located at a position  $y$  from the neutral axis is  $\epsilon = (ds' - ds)/ds$ . However,  $ds = dx = \rho d\theta$  and  $ds' = (\rho - y) d\theta$ , and so  $\epsilon = [(\rho - y) d\theta - \rho d\theta] / (\rho d\theta)$ , or

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = -\frac{\epsilon}{y}$$

- Comparing with the Hooke's Law  $\epsilon = \sigma / E$  and the flexure formula  $\sigma = -My/I$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{M}{EI} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{\rho} = -\frac{\sigma}{Ey}$$



# SLOPE AND DISPLACEMENT BY INTEGRATION

- The equation of the elastic curve is defined by the coordinates  $v$  and  $x$ . To compute the deflection  $v = f(x)$ , we must be able to represent the **curvature** ( $1/\rho$ ) in terms of  $v$  and  $x$ .
- Kinematic relationship between radius of curvature  $\rho$  and location  $x$ :

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = - \frac{d^2v/dx^2}{[1 + (dv/dx)^2]^{3/2}}$$

- Then using the moment curvature equation, we have

$$\frac{M}{EI} = \frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{d^2v/dx^2}{[1 + (dv/dx)^2]^{3/2}} \approx \frac{d^2v}{dx^2}$$

# SLOPE AND DISPLACEMENT BY INTEGRATION

$$\frac{M}{EI} = \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2}$$

- The equation can also be written in two alternative forms
- Differentiate each side with respect to  $x$  and substitute  $V = dM/dx$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( EI \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} \right) = V(x)$$

- Differentiating again, using  $w = dV/dx$

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left( EI \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} \right) = w(x)$$



# SLOPE AND DISPLACEMENT BY INTEGRATION

- Flexural rigidity ( $EI$ ) is constant along beam, thus

$$EI \frac{d^4 v}{dx^4} = w(x) \text{ [LOAD]}$$

$$EI \frac{d^3 v}{dx^3} = V(x) \text{ [Shear]}$$

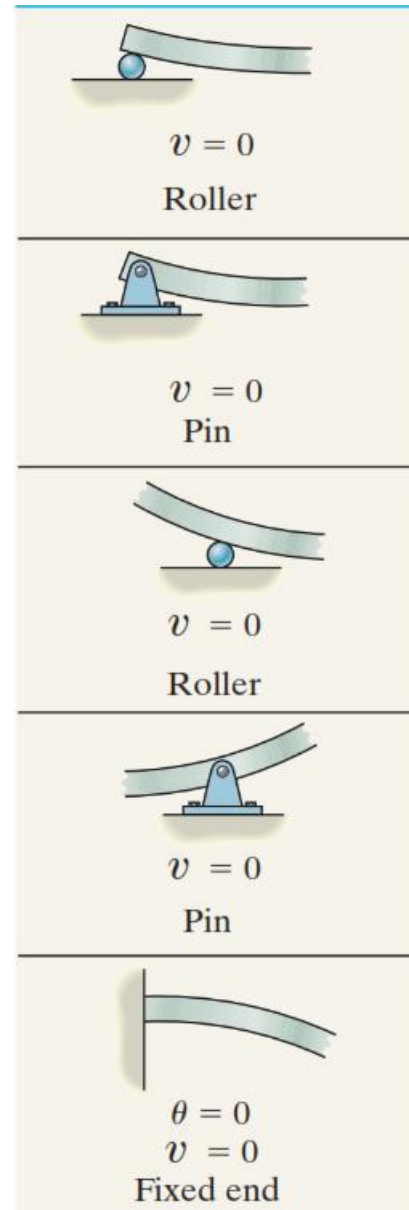
$$EI \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} = M(x) \text{ [Moment]}$$

- Solution of any of these equations requires successive integrations to obtain  $v$ .

# SLOPE AND DISPLACEMENT BY INTEGRATION

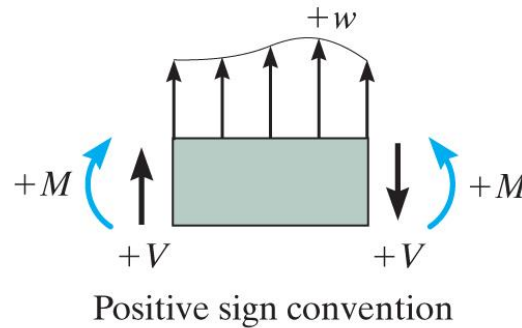
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- Boundary Conditions:
  - The integration constants can be determined by imposing the boundary conditions, or
  - Continuity condition at specific locations
- Note, if the beam is supported by a *roller* or *pin*, then it is required that the displacement be *zero* at these points.
- At the fixed support, the *slope* and *displacement* are both *zero*.

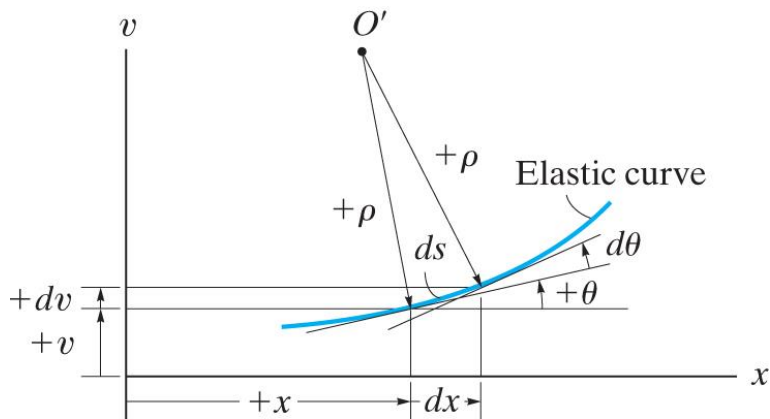


# SLOPE AND DISPLACEMENT BY INTEGRATION (cont)

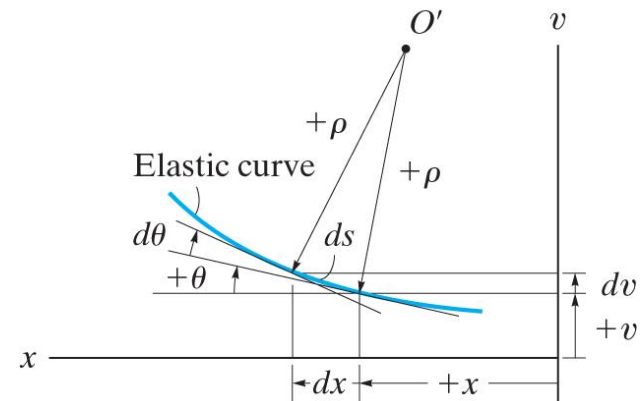
- Sign convention:



(a)



(b)



(c)

# SUMMARY

$$\text{Deflection} = v$$

$$\text{Slope} = \frac{dv}{dx} = \theta$$

$$\text{Moment } M = EI \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2}$$

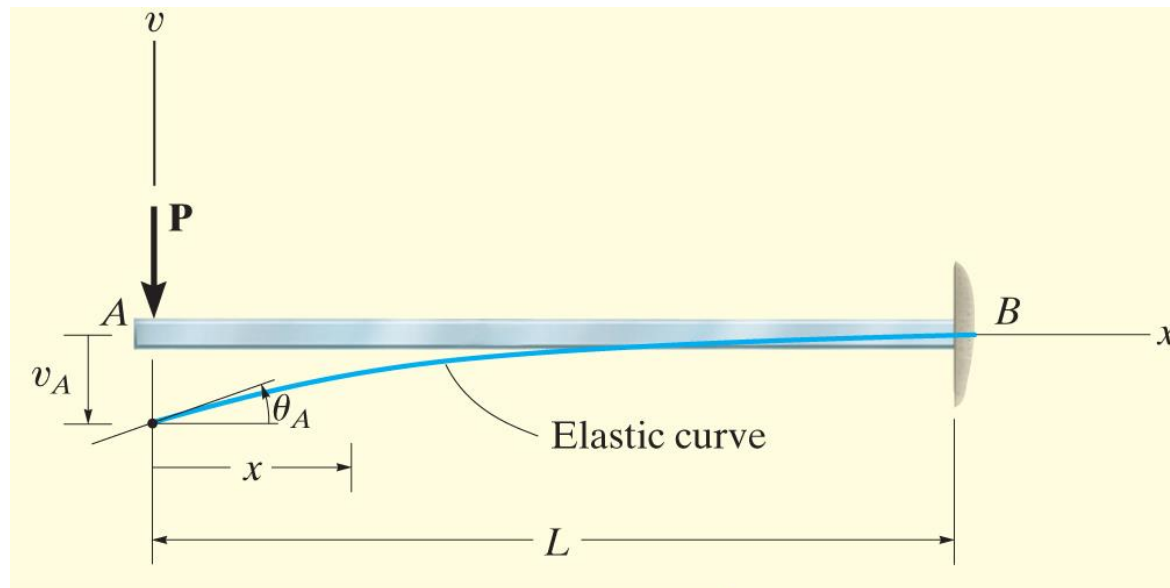
$$\text{Shear } V = \frac{dM}{dx} = EI \frac{d^3 v}{dx^3} \quad (\text{for } EI \text{ constant})$$

$$\text{Load } w = \frac{dV}{dx} = EI \frac{d^4 v}{dx^4} \quad (\text{for } EI \text{ constant})$$

# EXAMPLE 1

The cantilevered beam shown below is subjected to a vertical load  $\mathbf{P}$  at its end.

1. Determine the equation of the **elastic curve**.  $EI$  is constant.
2. Determine max slope and deflection given the following data:  $L = 5$  m; Load;  $P = 30$  kN) and designed without a factor of safety by assuming the allowable normal stress is equal to the yield stress is 250 MPa; then a W310 x 39 would be found to be adequate ( $I = 84.4(10^6)\text{mm}^4$ )



# EXAMPLE 1 (cont)

## Solutions

- **Elastic Curve:** shown in the Question figure
- **Moment Function:** From the free-body diagram, with **M** acting in the *positive direction*, we have

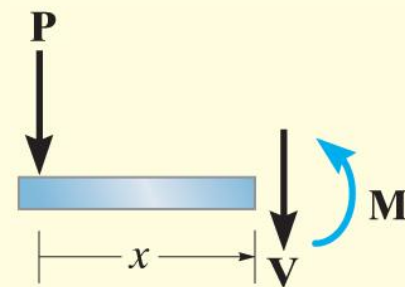
$$M = -Px$$

- **Slope and Elastic Curve**
- Applying  $EI \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = M(x)$  and integrating twice yields

$$EI \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = -Px \quad (1)$$

$$EI \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{Px^2}{2} + C_1 \quad (2)$$

$$EIv = -\frac{Px^3}{6} + C_1x + C_2 \quad (3)$$



(b)

# EXAMPLE 1 (cont)

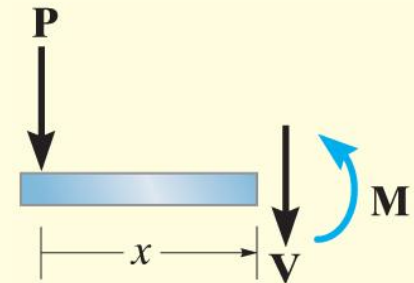
## Solutions

- Using the boundary conditions  $dv/dx = 0$  at  $x = L$  and  $v = 0$  at  $x = L$ , equations 2 and 3 become

$$0 = -\frac{PL^2}{2} + C_1$$

$$0 = -\frac{PL^3}{6} + C_1L + C_2$$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{PL^2}{2} \text{ and } C_2 = -\frac{PL^3}{3}$$



(b)

- Substituting these results, with  $\theta = dv/dx$ , we get

$$\theta = \frac{P}{2EI} (L^2 - x^2)$$

Elastic Curve Eqn: 
$$v = \frac{P}{6EI} (-x^3 + 3L^2x - 2L^3) \quad (\text{Ans})$$

# EXAMPLE 1 (cont)

## Solutions

- Maximum slope and displacement occur at for which  $A(x = 0)$ ,

$$\theta_A = \frac{PL^2}{2EI} \quad (4)$$

$$v_A = -\frac{PL^3}{3EI} \quad (5)$$

- Substituting the values of ( $L = 5$  m; Load;  $P = 30$  kN,  $I = 84.4(10^6)\text{mm}^4$ )

$$\theta_A = \frac{30,000(5,000)^2}{2[200,000][84.4(10^6)]} = \mathbf{0.0222 \text{ rad}}$$

$$v_A = -\frac{30,000(5,000)^3}{3[200,000][84.4(10^6)]} = \mathbf{-74.1 \text{ mm}}$$

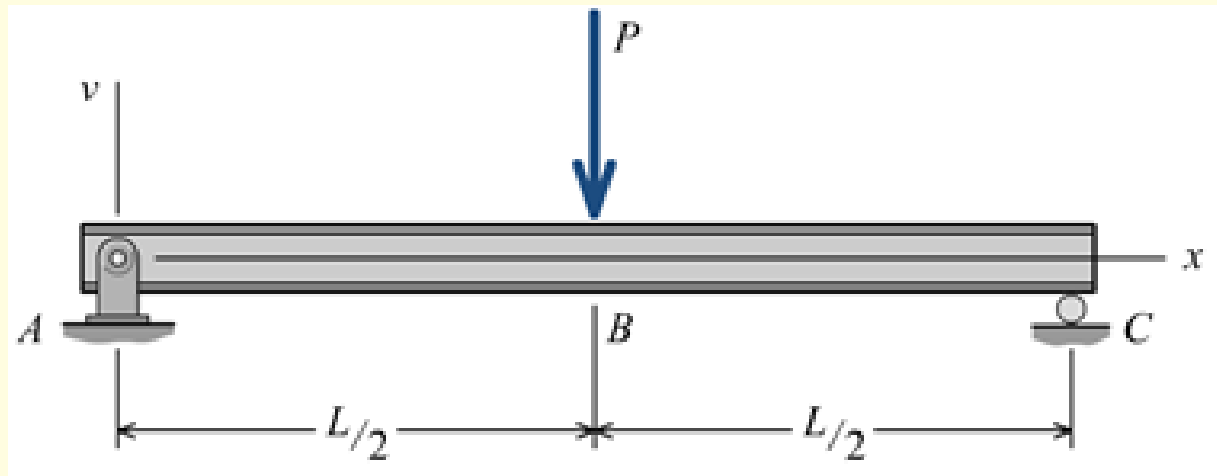


## EXAMPLE 3

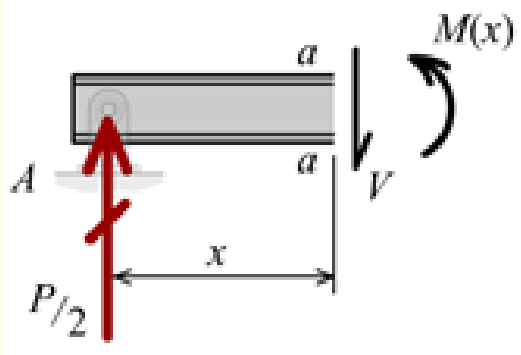
For the beam and loading shown below, use the double-integration method to determine

- (a) the equation of the elastic curve for segment AB of the beam.
- (b) the deflection at B.
- (c) the slope at A.

Assume that  $EI$  is constant for the beam..  $EI$  is constant.



## EXAMPLE 2



Integration of moment equation:

$$EI \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = M(x) = \frac{P}{2}x$$

$$EI \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{Px^2}{4} + C_1 \longrightarrow (a)$$

$$EI v = \frac{Px^3}{12} + C_1x + C_2 \longrightarrow (b)$$

**BOUNDARY CONDITIONS**

$$v = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad x = 0$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad x = \frac{L}{2}$$

## EXAMPLE 2

Substitute  $x = L/2$  and  $dv/dx = 0$  into Eq. (a) to determine  $C_1$ :

$$EI(0) = \frac{P(L/2)^2}{4} + C_1 \qquad \therefore C_1 = -\frac{PL^2}{16}$$

Substitute  $x = 0$  and  $v = 0$  into Eq. (b) to determine  $C_2$ :

$$EI(0) = \frac{P(0)^3}{12} - \frac{PL^2(0)}{16} + C_2 \qquad \therefore C_2 = 0$$

## EXAMPLE 2

(a) – **ELASTIC CURVE**

$$EI v = \frac{Px^3}{12} - \frac{PL^2x}{16} \quad \therefore v = \boxed{-\frac{Px}{48EI} [3L^2 - 4x^2]} \quad (0 \leq x \leq \frac{L}{2}) \quad \text{Ans.}$$

(b) – **Deflection @ b**

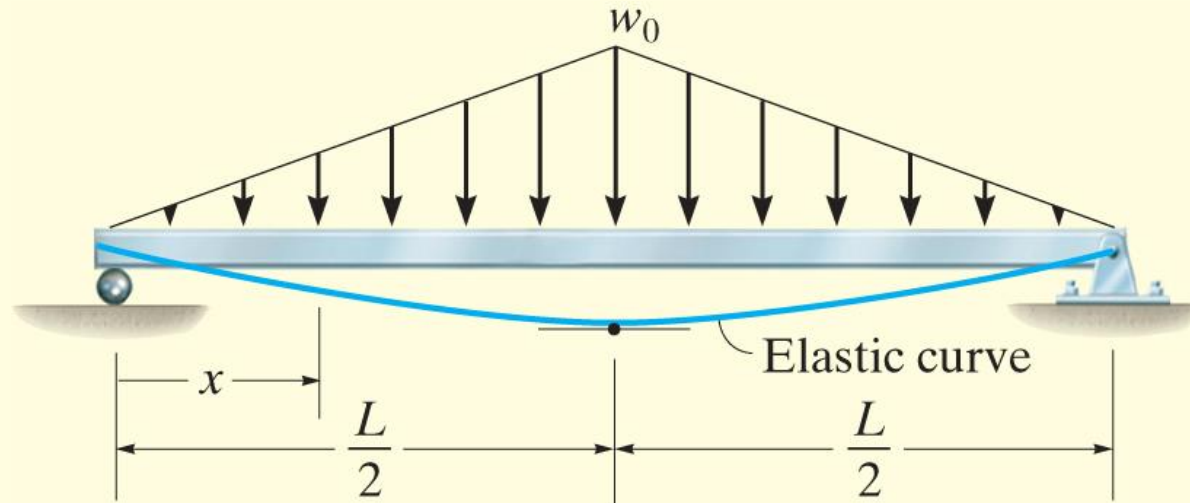
$$v_B = -\frac{P(L/2)}{48EI} \left[ 3L^2 - 4\left(\frac{L}{2}\right)^2 \right] = \boxed{-\frac{PL^3}{48EI}} \quad \text{Ans}$$

(b) – **Slope @ A**

$$\left. \frac{dv}{dx} \right|_A = \theta_A = \frac{P(0)^2}{4EI} - \frac{PL^2}{16EI} = \boxed{-\frac{PL^2}{16EI}} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

## EXAMPLE 2

The simply supported beam shown below supports the triangular distributed loading. Determine its maximum deflection.  $EI$  is constant.



(a)

## EXAMPLE 3 (cont)

### Solutions

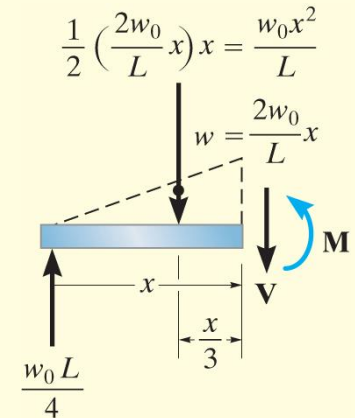
- Due to symmetry only one  $x$  coordinate is needed for the solution,

$$0 \leq x \leq L/2$$

- The equation for the distributed loading is  $w = \frac{2w_0}{L} x$ .
- Hence

$$+\sum M_{NA} = 0; \quad M + \frac{w_0 x^2}{L} \left( \frac{x}{3} \right) - \frac{w_0 L}{4} (x) = 0$$

$$M = -\frac{w_0 x^2}{3L} + \frac{w_0 L}{4} x$$



(b)

## EXAMPLE 3 (cont)

### Solutions

- Integrating twice, we have

$$EI \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} = M = -\frac{w_0}{3L} x^3 + \frac{w_0 L}{4} x$$

$$EI \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{w_0}{12L} x^4 + \frac{w_0 L}{8} x^2 + C_1$$

$$EI v = -\frac{w_0}{60L} x^5 + \frac{w_0 L}{24} x^3 + C_1 x + C_2$$

- For boundary condition,
  - $v = 0, x = 0$  and
  - $dv/dx = 0, x = L/2$

$$C_1 = -\frac{5w_0 L^3}{192}$$

$$C_2 = 0$$

## EXAMPLE 3 (cont)

### Solutions

- Hence

$$EIv = -\frac{w_0}{60L}x^5 + \frac{w_0L}{24}x^3 - \frac{5w_0L^3}{192}x$$

- For maximum deflection at  $x = L/2$ ,

$$v_{\max} = -\frac{w_0L^4}{120EI} \quad (\text{Ans})$$