

Shear force/bending moment diagrams for indeterminate beams

Example 1

Consider the propped-cantilevered beam shown, with the roller support at location C along the beam. The beam is made up of a material having a Young's modulus of E , with the beam having a $(b \times b)$ square cross-section, where $a = 10b$. A constant line load p_0 acts along the length of the beam, and a concentrated load P acts at end H, where $P = 2p_0a$.

- Using either integration techniques, Castigliano's theorem or superposition, determine the support reactions on the beam at B, C and H. If Castigliano's theorem is used, consider the contributions from shear to be negligible.
- Draw the shear force $V(x)$ and bending moment $M(x)$ diagrams in the plot axes provided.
- Determine the maximum flexural stress in the beam.

Leave your answers in terms of, at most: a , E and p_0 .



