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## FIXED STRUCTURAL BEAM DEFLECTION AND STRESS CALCULATOR FOR MULTIPLE LOADS AND MOMENTS

Following calculator has been developed to find forces, moments, stresses, deflections and slopes in a fixed beam. Multiple point loads, distributed loads and concentrated moments can be defined as input loading for a fixed beam. This calculator has been developed by using formulas given in the "Fixed Beam with Concentrated Load at any Point", "Fixed Beam with Concentrated Intermediate Moment" and "Fixed Beam with Partially Distributed Load" calculator pages.

Note: For more information on shear, moment, slope and deflection calculations for different end constraints refer to "Beams; Flexure of Straight Bars" chapter of [Roark's Formulas for Stress and Strain](#).

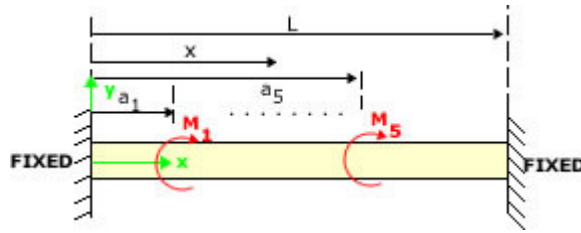


### Calculator:

INPUT PARAMETERS			
POINT LOADS			
Parameter	Symbol	Magnitude N	Distance mm
Load 1 *	$P_1$	<input type="text" value="1225.6"/>	<input type="text" value="3400"/>
Load 2 *	$P_2$	<input type="text" value="573.5"/>	<input type="text" value="4000"/>
Load 3 *	$P_3$	<input type="text" value="1225.6"/>	<input type="text" value="4600"/>

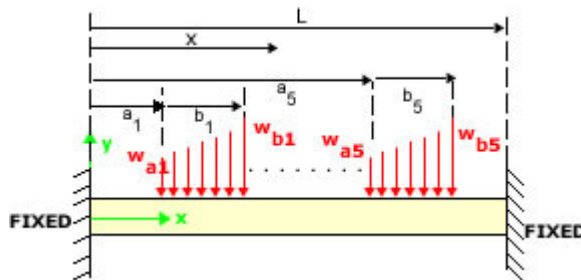
Load 4 *	$P_4$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Load 5 *	$P_5$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>

CONCENTRATED MOMENTS



Parameter	Symbol	Magnitude		Distance	
		lbf*ft		ft	
Moment 1 *	$M_1$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Moment 2 *	$M_2$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Moment 3 *	$M_3$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
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Moment 5 *	$M_5$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>

DISTRIBUTED LOADS



Parameter	Symbol	Magnitude		Distance	
		lbf/in		ft	
		wa	wb	a	b
Distributed Load 1 *	$w_1$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Distributed Load 2 *	$w_2$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Distributed Load 3 *	$w_3$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Distributed Load 4 *	$w_4$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Distributed Load 5 *	$w_5$	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>

STRUCTURAL BEAM PROPERTIES

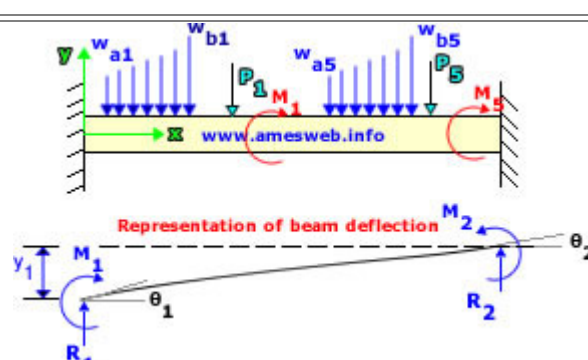
Parameter	Symbol	Value	Unit
Structural Beam Length	L	<input type="text" value="8000"/>	<input type="text" value="mm"/>

Distance x	x	<input type="text" value="0"/>	
Modulus of Elasticity	E	<input type="text" value="12.15"/>	<input type="text" value="GPa"/>
Distance from neutral axis to extreme fibers	c	<input type="text" value="100"/>	<input type="text" value="mm"/>
Second moment of area **	I	<input type="text" value="32000000"/>	<input type="text" value="mm^4"/>
<input type="button" value="Calculate"/>			

Note : Use dot "." as decimal separator.

Note \* : P is positive in downward direction as shown in the figure and negative in upward direction. M is positive in clockwise direction as shown in the figure.  $w_a$  and  $w_b$  are positive in downward direction as shown in the figure and negative in upward direction.

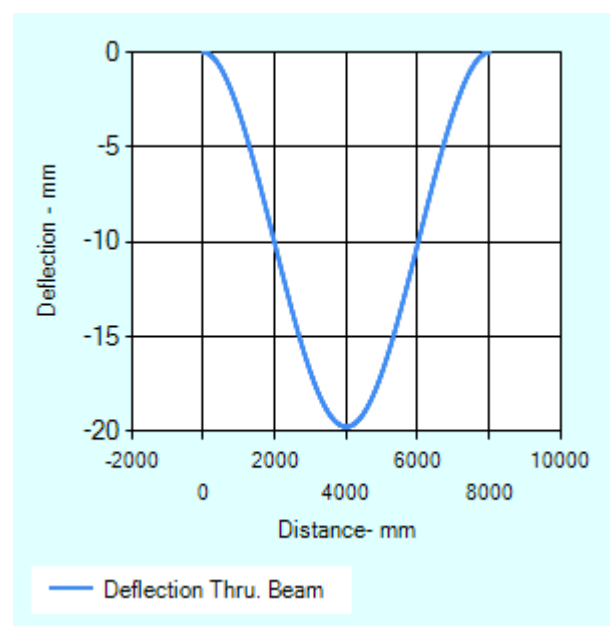
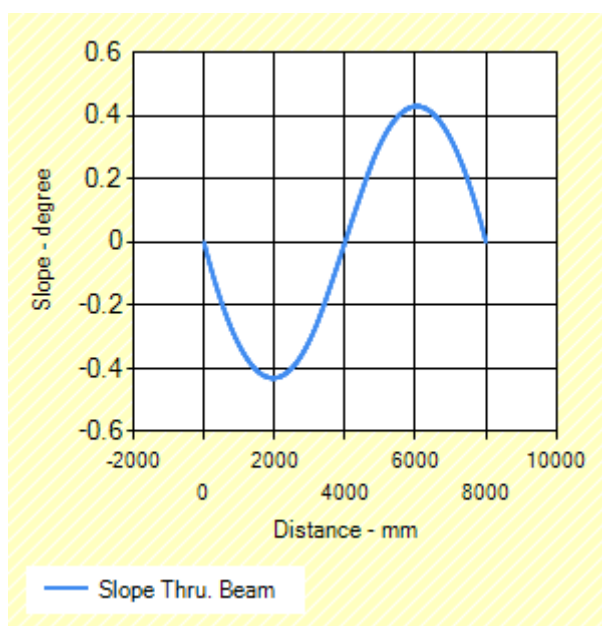
Note \*\* : For second moment of area calculations of structural beams, visit "[Sectional Properties Calculators](#)".

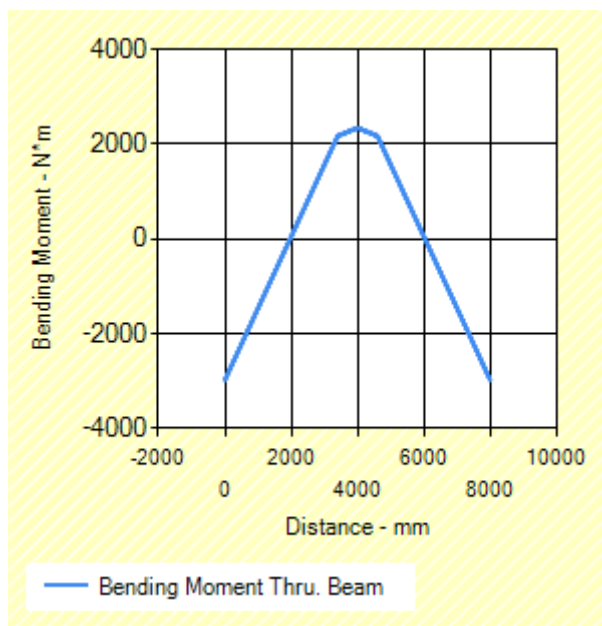
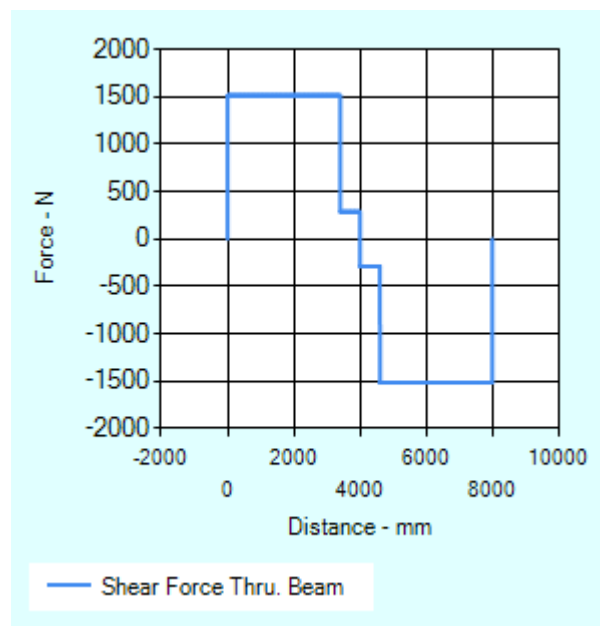
INPUT LOADING TO FIXED BEAM				
POINT LOADS				
No.	Location	Magnitude		
1	3400 mm	1225.6 N		
2	4000 mm	573.5 N		
3	4600 mm	1225.6 N		
CONCENTRATED MOMENTS				
No.	Location	Magnitude		
DISTRIBUTED LOADS				
No.	Start Location	Magnitude	End Location	Magnitude
RESULTS				
 <p>The diagram shows a fixed beam of length 5000 mm. It is subjected to three point loads (P1, P2, P3) at 3400 mm, 4000 mm, and 4600 mm respectively. There are also distributed loads (wa1, wb1, wa5, wb5) and concentrated moments (M1, M2) applied. The beam is fixed at both ends, with reaction forces R1 and R2, and moments M1 and M2. A deflection curve is shown below the beam, with rotation angles theta1 and theta2 at the fixed ends.</p>				
Parameter	Symbol	Value	Unit	
Reaction Force 1	$R_1$	1512.3	<input type="text" value="N"/>	
Reaction Force 2	$R_2$	1512.3		
Transverse Shear Force @ distance x	$V_x$	1512.3		
Maximum Transverse Shear Force	$V_{max}$	1512.3		

Reaction Moment 1	$M_1$	-2969.5	N*m
Reaction Moment 2	$M_2$	-2969.5	
Moment @ distance x	$M_x$	-2969.5	
Maximum Moment	$M_{max}$	-2969.5	
Slope 1	$\theta_1$	0.000	degree
Slope 2	$\theta_2$	0.000	
Slope @ distance x	$\theta_x$	0.000	
Maximum Slope	$\theta_{max}$	-0.430	
End Deflection 1	$y_1$	0.000	mm
End Deflection 2	$y_2$	0.000	
Deflection @ distance x	$y_x$	0.000	
Maximum Deflection	$y_{max}$	-19.724	
Bending Stress @ distance x	$\sigma_x$	9.3	MPa
Maximum Bending Stress	$\sigma_{max}$	9.3	

Note \* :  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are vertical end reactions at the left and right, respectively, and are positive upward. Shear forces and deflections are positive in upward direction and negative in downward direction.  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are the reaction end moments at the left and right, respectively. All moments are positive when producing compression on the upper portion of the beam cross section. All slopes are positive when up and to the right.

Note: Stresses are positive numbers, and these are stress magnitudes in the beam. It does not distinguish between tension or compression of the structural beam. This distinction depends on which side of the beam neutral plane c input corresponds.



**Slope****Deflection****Moment****Shear Force****Definitions:**

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**Distributed load:** A load which acts evenly over a structural member or over a surface supports the load.

**Fixed support:** Fixed supports can resist vertical and horizontal forces as well as a moment. Since they restrain both rotation and translation, they are also known as rigid supports.

**Pin support:** A pinned support resists both vertical and horizontal forces but not a moment. It will allow the structural member to rotate, but not to translate in any direction. A roller connection could allow rotation in only one direction; providing resistance to rotation in the other direction.

**Roller support:** Roller supports are free to rotate and translate along the surface upon which the roller rests. The resulting reaction force is always a single force that is perpendicular to the surface. Roller supports are commonly located at one end of long bridges to allow the expansion and contraction of the structure due to temperature changes.

**Fixed beam:** A beam which is fixed at both ends.

**Structural beam:** A structural element that withstands loads and moments. General shapes are rectangular sections, I beams, wide flange beams and C channels.

**Supplements:**

Link	Usage
<a href="#">Sectional Properties Calculator of Profiles</a>	Sectional properties needed for the structural beam stress analysis can be calculated with sectional properties calculator.

### List Of Equations:

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"[Fixed Beam with Concentrated Load at any Point](#)", [Fixed Beam with Partially Distributed Load](#)" and [Fixed Beam with Concentrated Moment at any Point](#)" calculators have been used for the calculation of forces, moments, stresses, deflections and slopes with superposition principle.

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