

A short course on

Structural Members

This video:

Euler-Bernoulli Beams

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Beam Theory

Ferris wheel (1893)

Eiffel tower (1887)

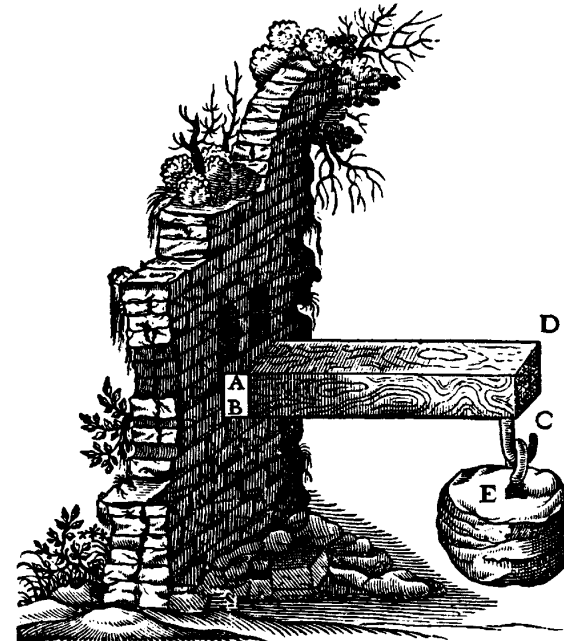
Claude-Louis Navier (1826)

Augustin Cauchy (1822)

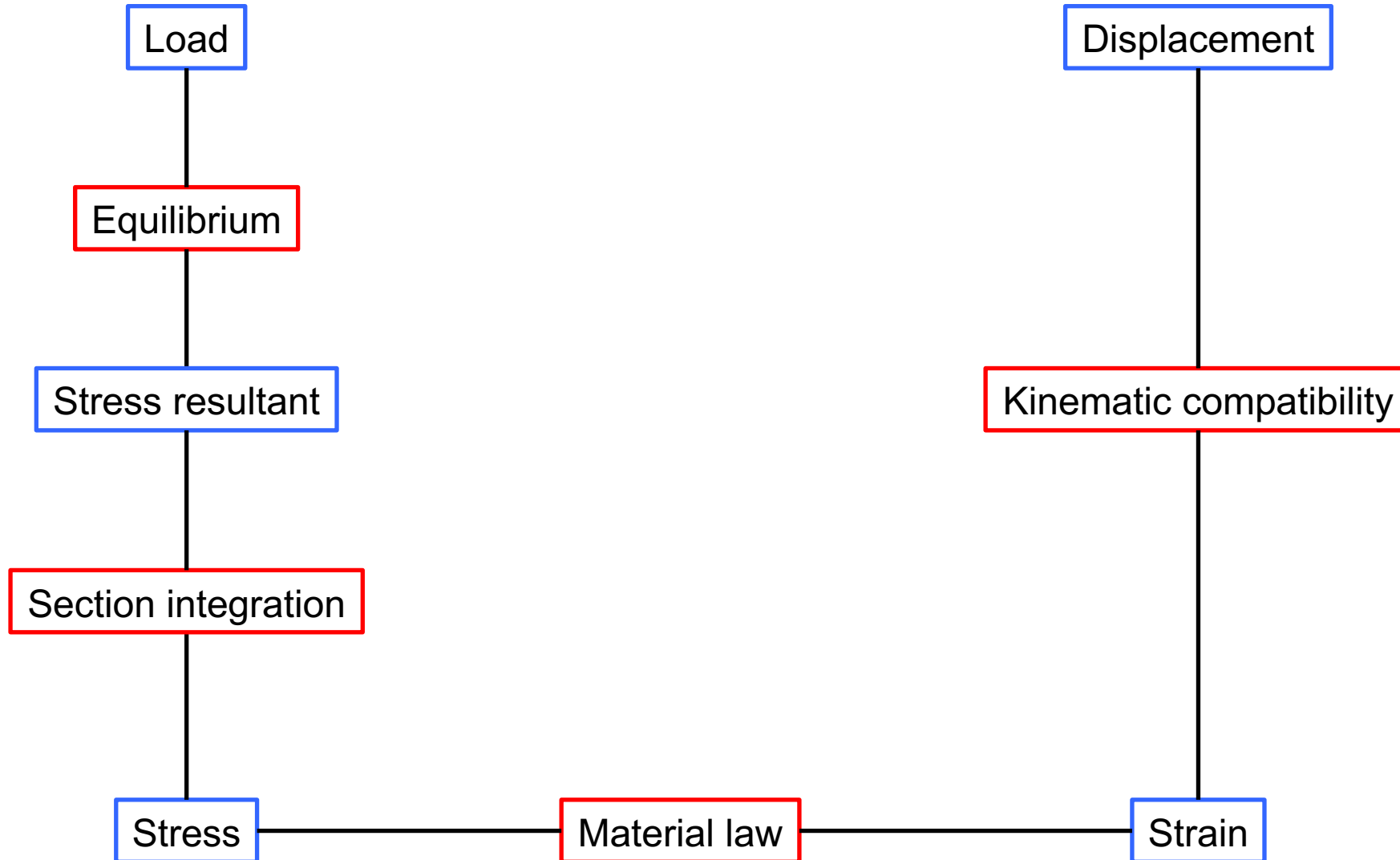
Euler-Bernoulli (1750)

Edme Mariotte (1676)

Galileo (1638)



Ingredients



Notation

x = longitudinal direction

z = vertical direction; direction of loading and displacement

y = horizontal direction perpendicular to the member

q_z = distributed load in the z -direction

V = shear force, resultant of shear stress

M = axial force, resultant of axial stress

I_y = moment of inertia about the y -axis

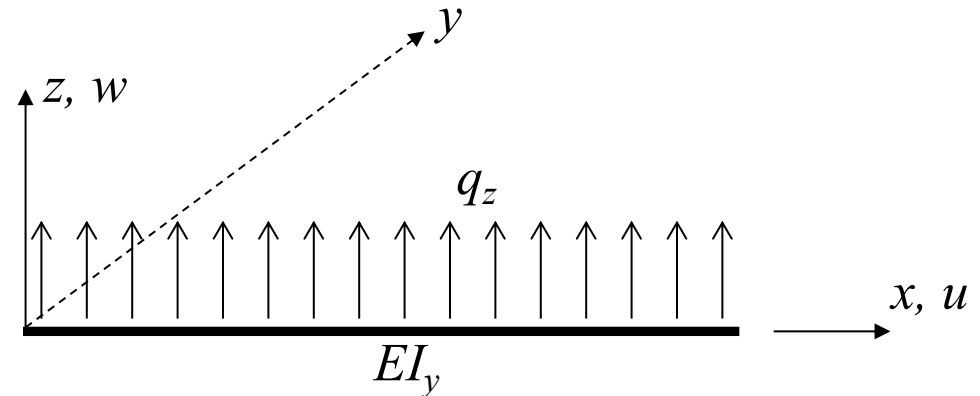
E = modulus of elasticity

σ = axial stress

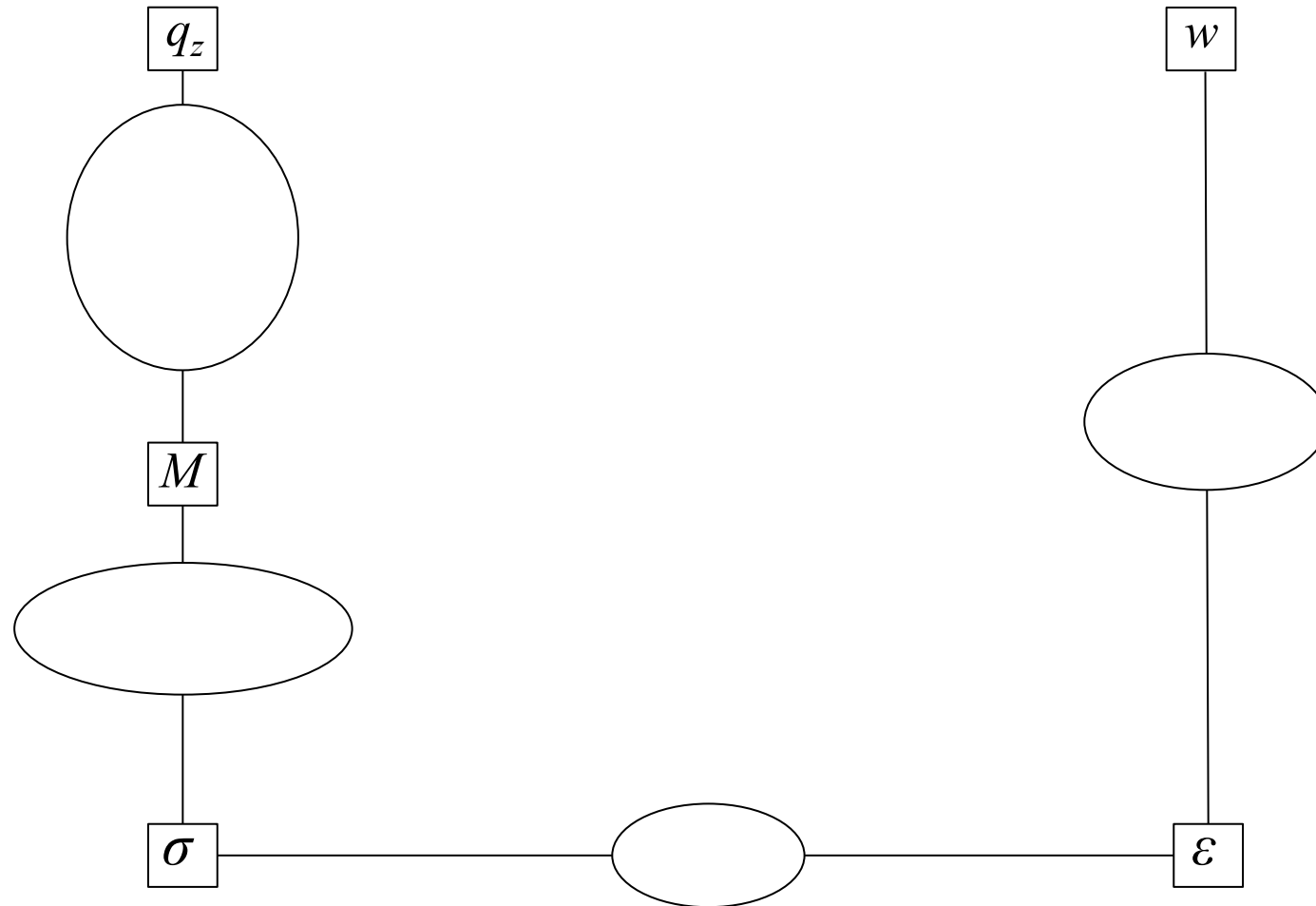
ε = axial strain

u = displacement in the x -direction

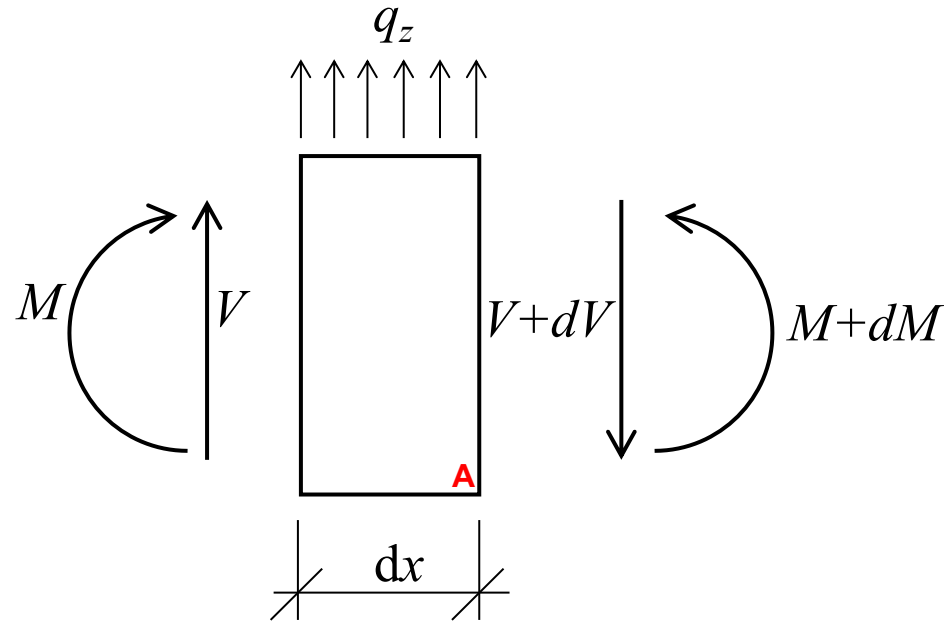
w = displacement in the z -direction



Anomaly



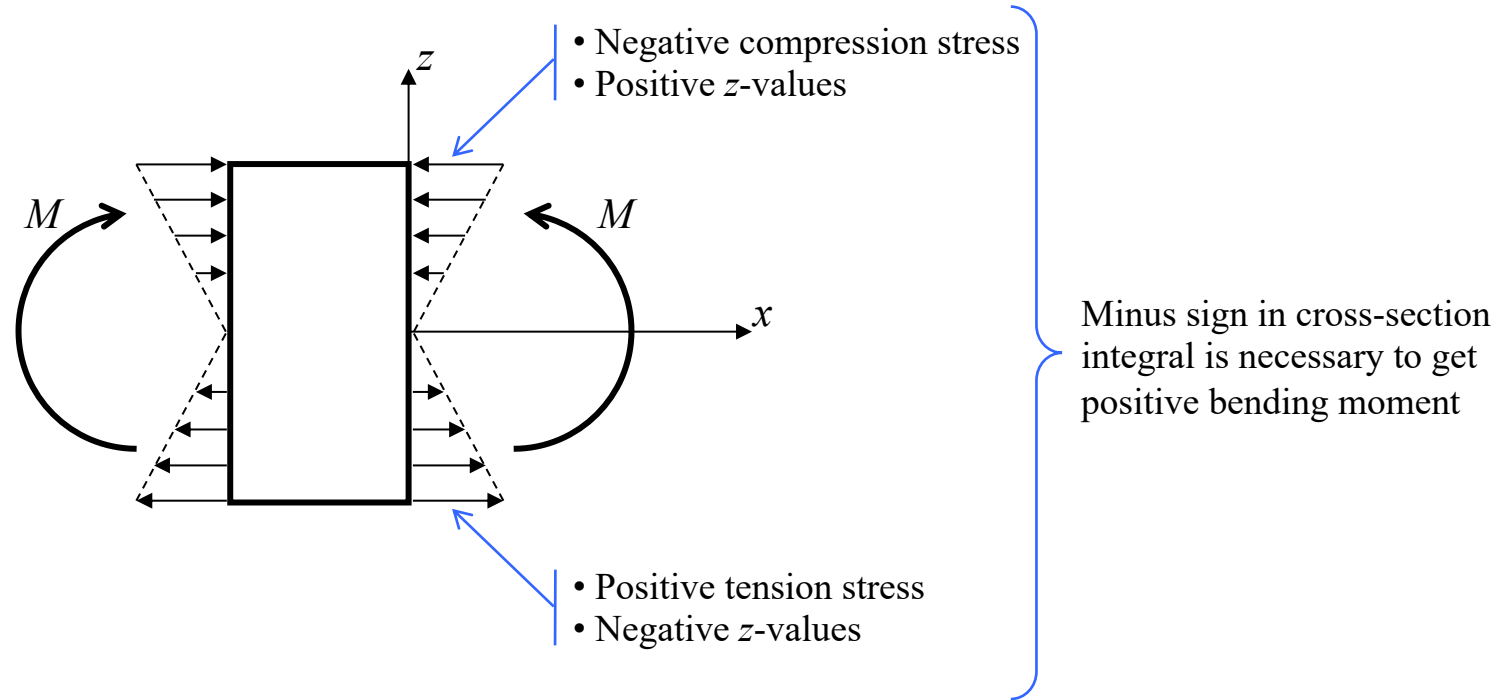
Equilibrium



$$\Sigma F_y = V - V - dV + q_z \cdot dx = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad q_z = \frac{dV}{dx}$$

$$\Sigma M_A = V \cdot dx + M - M - dM + q_z \cdot dx \cdot (dx/2) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad V = \frac{dM}{dx}$$

Section Integration



$$M = \int_A -\sigma \cdot z \, dA$$

Material Law

$$\sigma = E \cdot \varepsilon$$

$$\varepsilon_{yy} = \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E} - \nu \cdot \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{E} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sigma_{yy} = \nu \cdot \sigma_{xx}$$

$$\varepsilon_{xx} = \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{E} - \nu \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E} = \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{E} - \nu \frac{(\nu \cdot \sigma_{xx})}{E} = \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{E} (1 - \nu^2) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sigma_{xx} = \frac{E}{1 - \nu^2} \cdot \varepsilon_{xx}$$

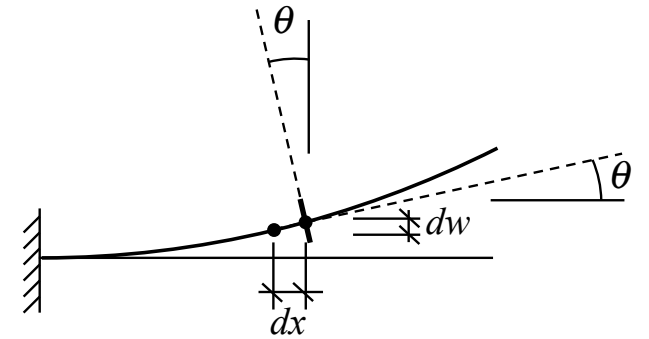
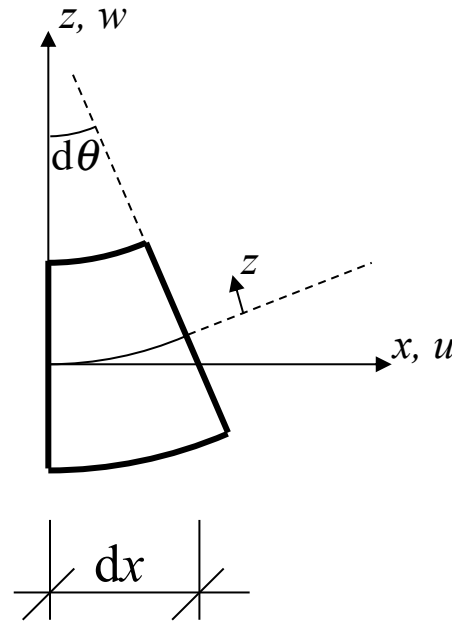
Kinematic Compatibility

$$\varepsilon = \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$du = -d\theta \cdot z$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{dw}{dx} \approx \theta$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{du}{dx} = -\frac{d\theta}{dx} \cdot z = -\frac{d^2w}{dx^2} \cdot z$$



$$\kappa \equiv \frac{1}{R}$$

$$\kappa \approx \frac{d\theta}{dx} \approx \frac{d^2w}{dx^2}$$

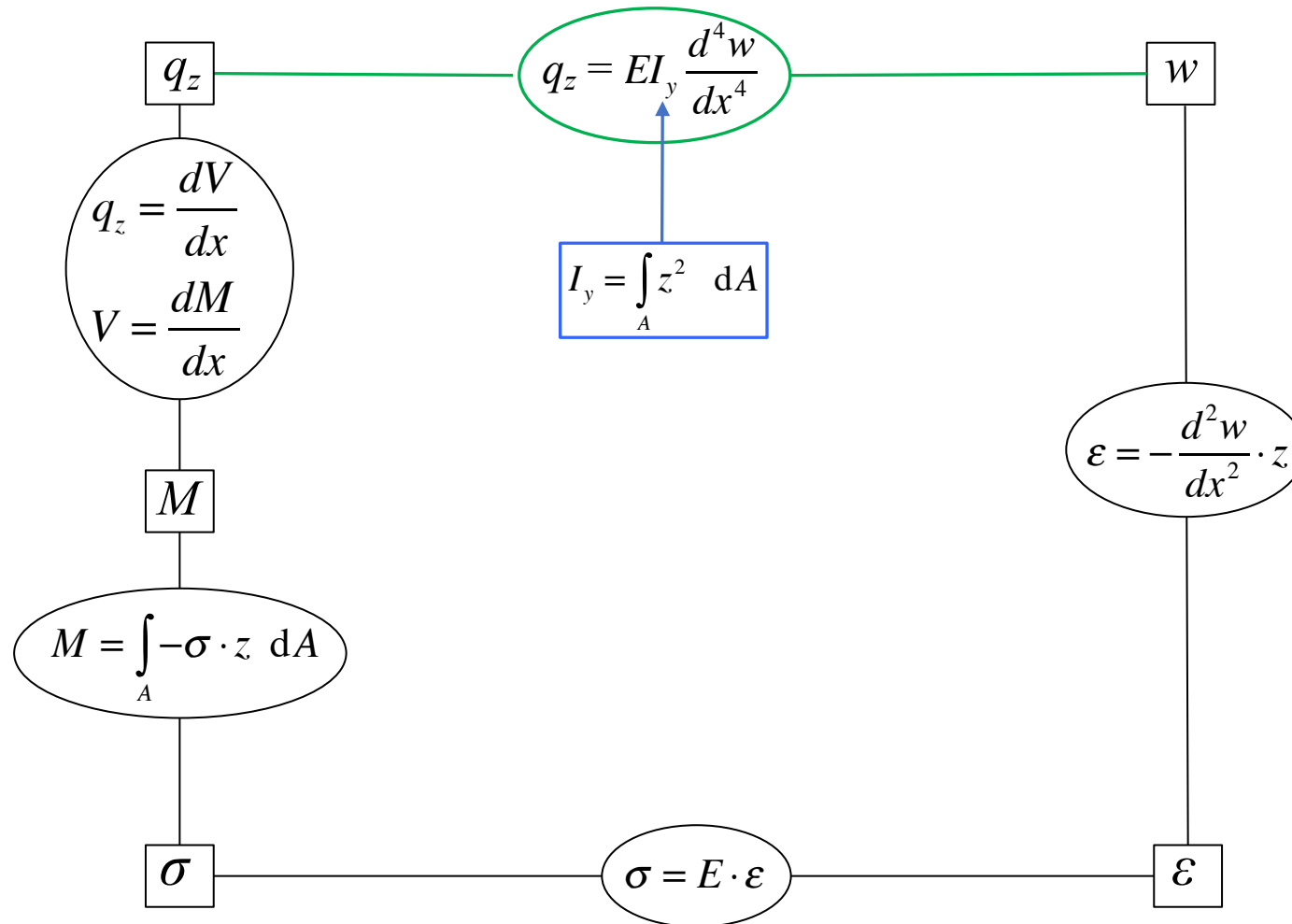
$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{dw}{dx}\right)$$

$$\kappa \approx \frac{d\theta}{dx} = \frac{\left(\frac{d^2w}{dx^2}\right)}{\left(1 + \left(\frac{dw}{dx}\right)^2\right)}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{\left(\frac{d^2w}{dx^2}\right)}{\left(1 + \left(\frac{dw}{dx}\right)^2\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

Summary

$$q_z = \frac{d^4 w}{dx^4} \int_A E \cdot z^2 dA$$



General Solution

$$q_z = EI_y \frac{d^4 w}{dx^4} \longrightarrow w(x) = \frac{1}{24} \cdot \frac{q_z}{EI_y} \cdot x^4 + C_1 \cdot x^3 + C_2 \cdot x^2 + C_3 \cdot x + C_4$$

$$\theta = \frac{dw}{dx}$$

$$M = EI_y \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2}$$

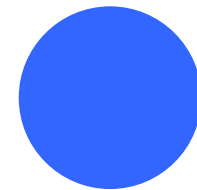
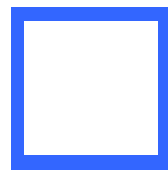
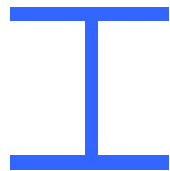
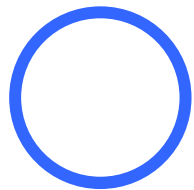
$$V = EI_y \frac{d^3 w}{dx^3}$$

Cross-section Analysis

Moment of inertia

Axial stress

Shear stress



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