

Figure 1. Frame structure

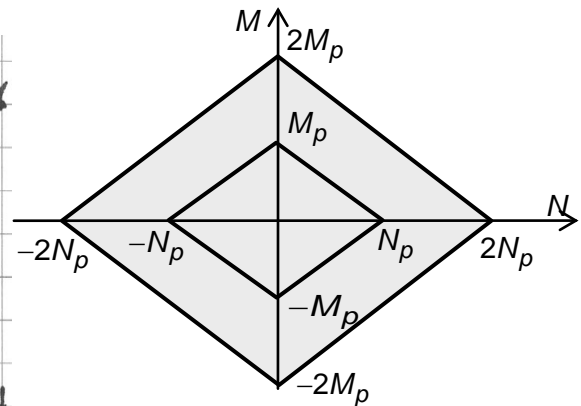


Figure 2. Yield contour

### Problem 1

A frame consists of four members (Fig.1). The columns have a strength  $M_p$ . The roof members have a strength  $2M_p$ . All members are rigidly connected. The supports are fixed. The structure is loaded by two evenly distributed line loads  $q$  per length of roof member (wind load). The relation of Figure 2 exists between the plastic moments and the plastic normal forces.

$$N_p = \beta \frac{M_p}{a}$$

The influence of shear on the yield contour is neglected. Buckling and second order effects are not considered.

- a** Assume  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$ . Determine the collapse load  $q$  for all possible mechanisms. Write the collapse loads as functions of  $M_p$  and  $a$ . What is the decisive collapse load? (1.5 point)
- b** Assume  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$ . Draw the bending moment diagram and normal force diagram for the structure at the moment of collapse (1.5 points).
- c** Assume  $\beta = 12$ . Choose one of the following problems. (You need not do both.)
  - Determine the largest lower-bound for  $q$ .
  - Determine the smallest upper-bound for  $q$ .
You only need to write down the equations and not solve the equations (1.5 points).

## Problem 2

A reinforced concrete plate has fixed, hinged and free edges (Fig. 3). It carries an evenly distributed load  $p$  [kN/m<sup>2</sup>] in the  $z$  direction. There is no other load on the plate. The plate is homogeneous and orthotropic. The reinforcement is in the  $x$  and  $y$  directions. The top reinforcement in the  $y$  direction is three times as much as the others.

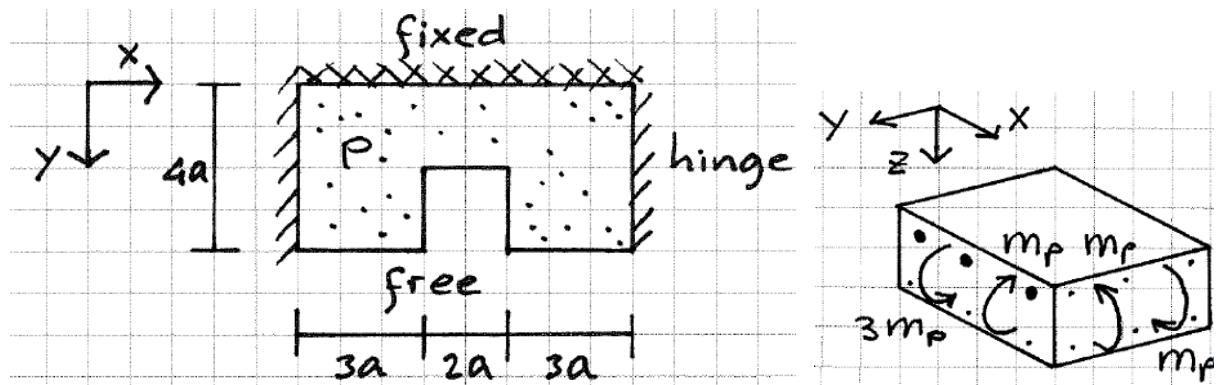


Figure 3. Plate dimensions and reinforcement

- a Consider the yield line patterns of Figure 4. Which of these patterns give kinematically possible mechanisms? (1 point)

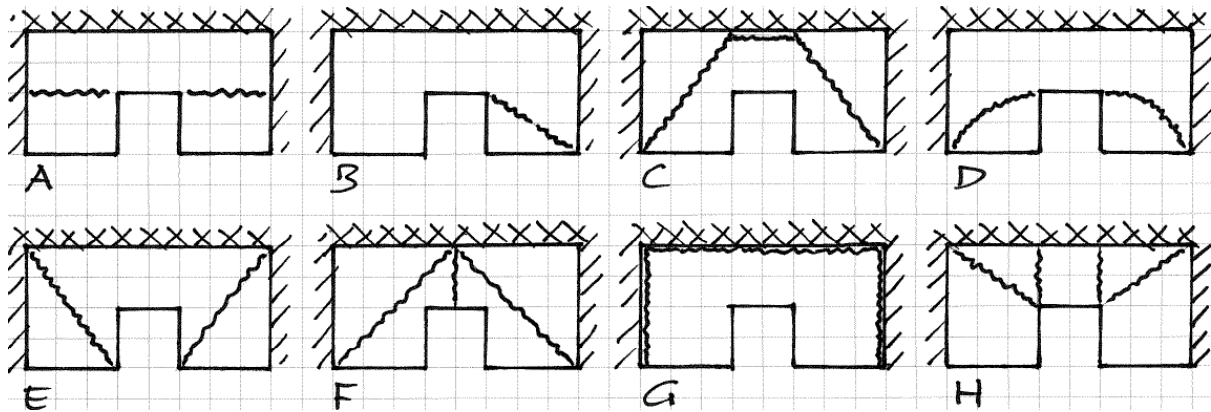


Figure 4. Yield line patterns of problem 2a

- b Consider the yield line pattern of Figure 5. Determine an upper bound for  $p$  expressed in  $m_p$  and  $a$  (1.5 point).

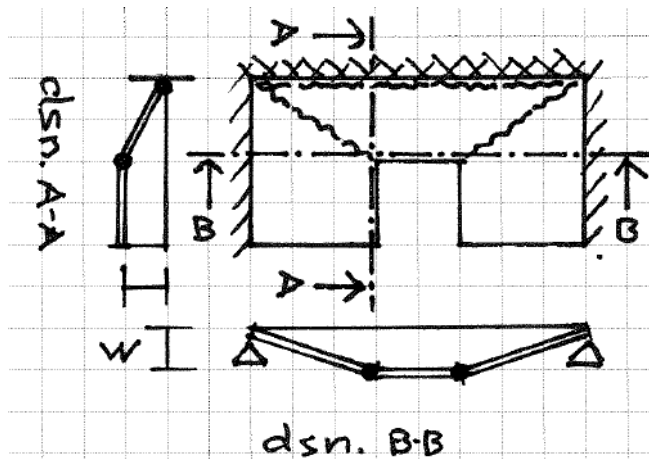


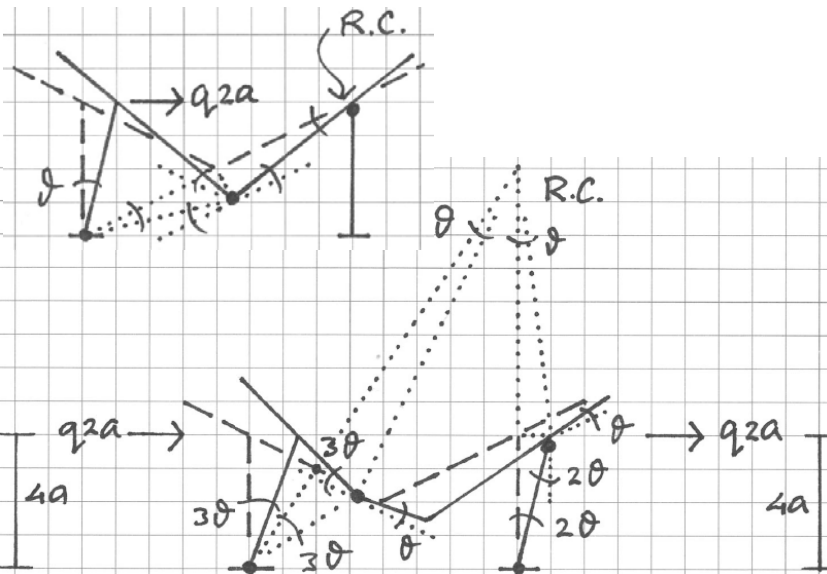
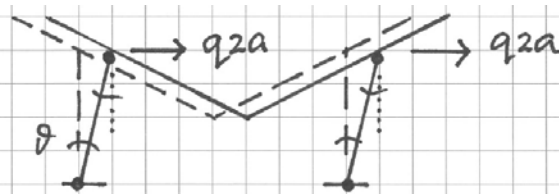
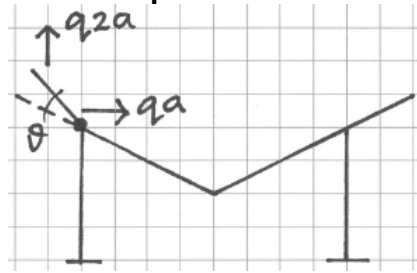
Figure 5. Mechanism of problem 2b

- c Determine the largest lower-bound for  $p$  using torsion free beams ( $m_{xy} = 0$ ). You only need to write down the equations and not solve the equations. (1.5 point)

### Problem 3

- a Which yield criterion is used for soil? (0.5 point)
- b When do we know that we have found the exact plastic collapse load?  
Choose A, B, C or D. (0.5 point)
- A .... When we have double checked that no calculation errors were made.  
B .... When the lower-bound is the same as the upper-bound.  
C .... When a nonlinear finite element analysis gives the same result.  
D .... When all possible equilibrium systems have been considered.
- c A circular plate is fixed at the edge.  
The plate is made of steel.  
A perpendicular point load  $F$  is applied to middle of the plate.  
What is the plastic collapse load?  
Choose A, B, C or D. (0.5 point)
- A ....  $F = 2\pi m_p$   
B ....  $F = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \pi m_p$   
C ....  $F = 4\pi m_p$   
D ....  $F$  is infinite

### Answer to problem 1a



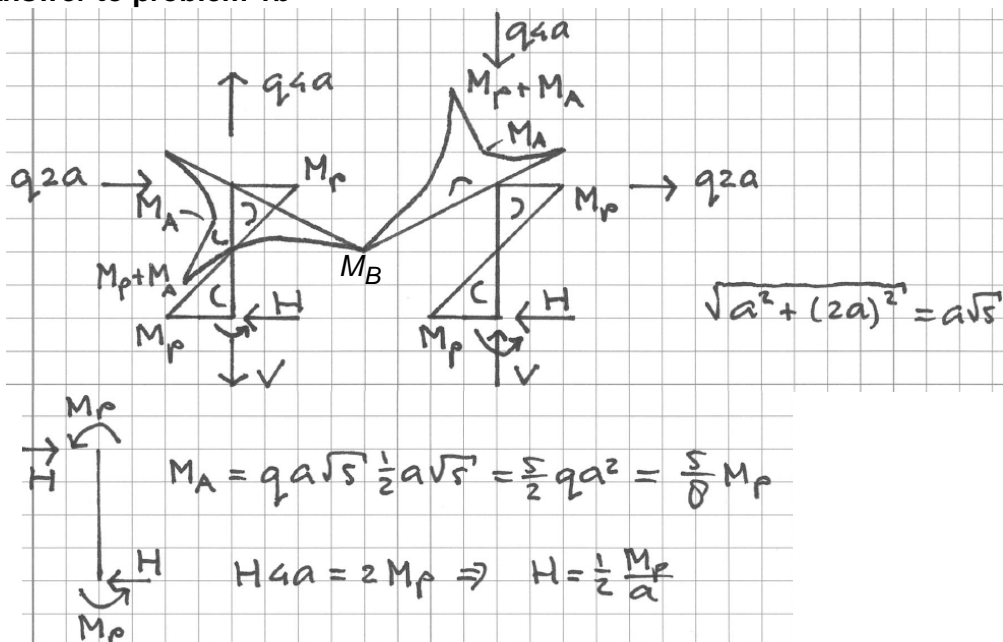
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> restart;
> E := 2 * Mp * t;
> A := q * 2 * a * t * a + q * a * t * a / 2;
> q := solve(E = A, q); evalf(q);
      q := 4 Mp / (5 a^2)
      0.8000000000 Mp / a^2
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> restart;
> E := Mp * t + Mp * t + Mp * t + Mp * t;
> A := q * 2 * a * t * 4 * a + q * 2 * a * t * 4 * a;
> q := solve(E = A, q); evalf(q);
      q := Mp / (4 a^2) decisive
      0.2500000000 Mp / a^2
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> restart;
> E := Mp * t + 2 * Mp * (t + t) + Mp * t;
> A := q * 2 * a * t * 4 * a;
> q := solve(E = A, q); evalf(q);
      q := 3 Mp / (4 a^2)
      0.7500000000 Mp / a^2
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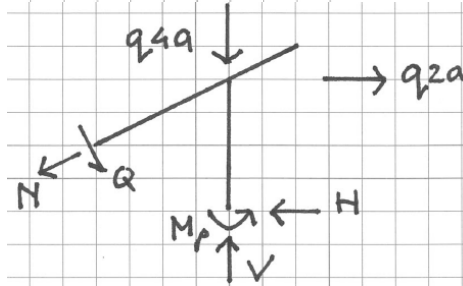
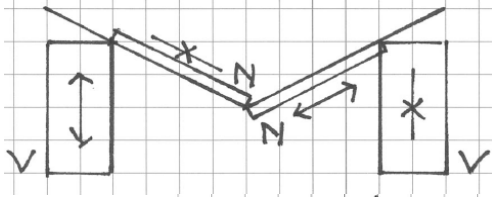
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> restart;
> E := Mp * 3 * t + 2 * Mp * (3 * t + t) + Mp * (t + 2 * t) + Mp * 2 * t;
> A := q * 2 * a * 3 * t * 4 * a + q * 2 * a * 2 * t * 4 * a;
> q := solve(E = A, q); evalf(q);
      q := 2 Mp / (5 a^2)
      0.4000000000 Mp / a^2
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### Answer to problem 1b



$$M_p = q_2 a \cdot 4a + q_4 a \cdot 8a + q_2 a \cdot 4a - M_p - V \cdot 8a \Rightarrow V = \frac{5}{4} \frac{M_p}{a}$$

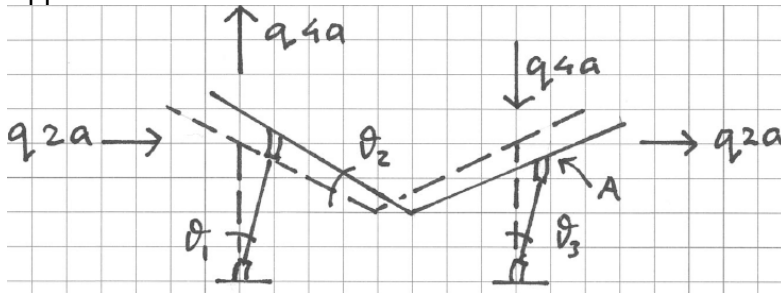
$$M_B = q_4 a \cdot 4a + q_2 a \cdot 2a - V \cdot 4a + H \cdot 2a - M_p = 0$$



$$\left. \begin{aligned} Q \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} - N \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} &= H - q_2 a \\ Q \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} + N \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} &= V - q_4 a \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} Q &= \frac{\sqrt{5}}{10} \frac{M_p}{a} \\ N &= \frac{\sqrt{5}}{20} \frac{M_p}{a} \end{aligned}$$

Answer to problem 1c

Upperbound



>  $b := 12 :$

>  $eq1 := t1 \cdot 4 \cdot a = t3 \cdot 4 \cdot a :$

# horizontal displacement of A

>  $eq2 := t1 \cdot \frac{a}{b} + (t1 - t2) \cdot \frac{a}{b} - t2 \cdot 8 \cdot a = -t3 \cdot \frac{a}{b} - (t3 - t2) \cdot \frac{a}{b} :$

# vertical displacement of A

>  $E := M_p \cdot t1 + M_p \cdot (t1 - t2) + M_p \cdot (t3 - t2) + M_p \cdot t3 :$

>  $A := q \cdot 2 \cdot a \cdot t1 \cdot 4 \cdot a + q \cdot 4 \cdot a \cdot \left( t1 \cdot \frac{a}{b} + (t1 - t2) \cdot \frac{a}{b} \right) + q \cdot 4 \cdot a \cdot \left( t3 \cdot \frac{a}{b} + (t3 - t2) \cdot \frac{a}{b} \right) + q \cdot 2 \cdot a \cdot t3 \cdot 4 \cdot a :$

>  $solve(\{eq1, eq2, E=A\}, \{q, t2, t3\}) :$

$$\left\{ q = \frac{12 M_p}{53 a^2}, t2 = \frac{2 t1}{49}, t3 = t1 \right\}$$

Lowerbound

>  $b := 12 : Np := b \cdot \frac{M_p}{a} :$

>  $eq1 := a1 \cdot M_p + a1 \cdot M_p = H1 \cdot 4 \cdot a :$

>  $eq2 := q \cdot 2 \cdot a + q \cdot 2 \cdot a = H1 + H2 :$

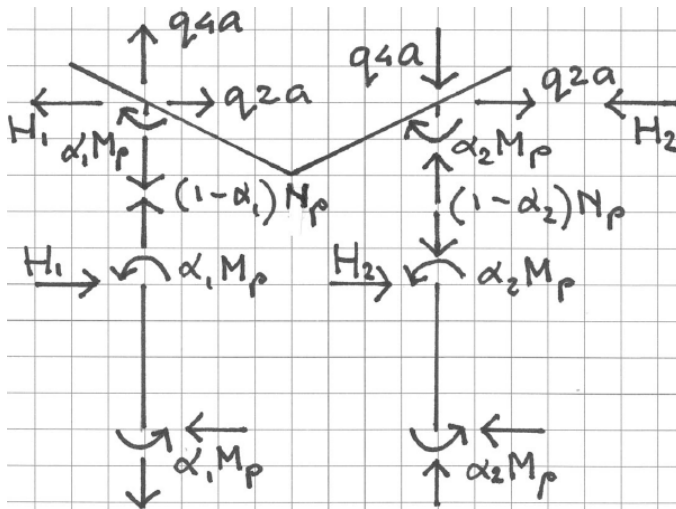
>  $eq3 := q \cdot 4 \cdot a - q \cdot 4 \cdot a = (1 - a1) \cdot Np - (1 - a2) \cdot Np :$

>  $eq4 := a1 \cdot M_p + a2 \cdot M_p = ((1 - a2) \cdot Np - q \cdot 4 \cdot a) \cdot 8 \cdot a :$

>  $eq5 := a2 \cdot M_p + a2 \cdot M_p = H2 \cdot 4 \cdot a :$

>  $solve(\{eq1, eq2, eq3, eq4, eq5\}, \{q, a1, a2, H1, H2\}) :$

$$\left\{ H1 = \frac{24 M_p}{53 a}, H2 = \frac{24 M_p}{53 a}, a1 = \frac{48}{53}, a2 = \frac{48}{53}, q = \frac{12 M_p}{53 a^2} \right\}$$



$$> \frac{12}{53};$$

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### Answer to problem 2a

B, F

4 or less correct ..... 0.0 point  
 5 correct ..... 0.2 point  
 6 correct ..... 0.5 point  
 7 correct ..... 0.8 point  
 8 correct ..... 1.0 point

### Answer to problem 2b

$$> E := 3 \cdot mp \cdot 8 \cdot a \cdot \frac{w}{2 \cdot a} + 2 \cdot \left( mp \cdot 3 \cdot a \cdot \frac{w}{2 \cdot a} \right) + 2 \cdot \left( mp \cdot 2 \cdot a \cdot \frac{w}{3 \cdot a} \right);$$

$$E := \frac{49 \cdot mp \cdot w}{3}$$

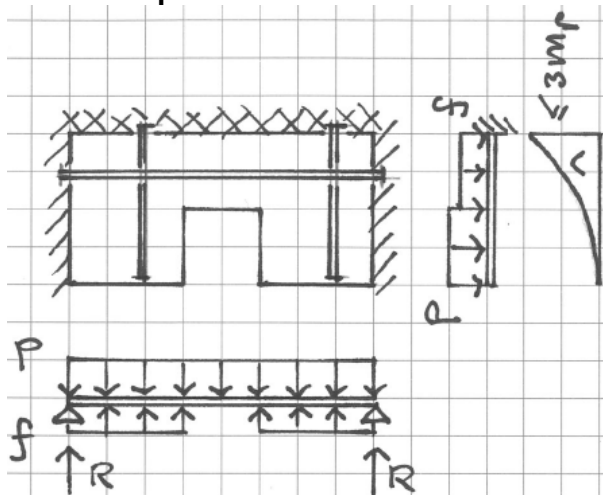
$$> A := 2 \cdot \left( p \cdot 2 \cdot a \cdot 3 \cdot a \cdot \frac{w}{2} \right) + 4 \cdot \left( p \cdot \frac{2 \cdot a \cdot 3 \cdot a}{2} \cdot \frac{w}{3} \right) + p \cdot 2 \cdot a \cdot 2 \cdot a \cdot \frac{w}{2};$$

$$A := 12 \cdot p \cdot a^2 \cdot w$$

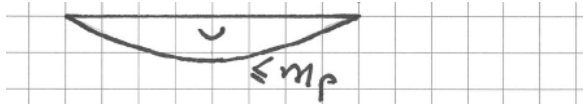
$$> p := \text{solve}(E=A, p);$$

$$p := \frac{49 \cdot mp}{36 \cdot a^2}$$

### Answer to problem 2c



$$m = p \cdot 2a \cdot 3a + f \cdot 2a \leq 3mp$$



$$p8a - f3a - f3a - R - R = 0$$

$$m = R4a + f3a \frac{5}{2}a - p4a2a \leq m_p$$

The solution to the equations is

$$p = \frac{31}{86} \frac{m_p}{a^2} \quad f = \frac{18}{43} \frac{m_p}{a^2} \quad R = \frac{8}{43} \frac{m_p}{a} \quad \frac{31}{86} = 0,36$$

### Answer to problem 3

- a Mohr-Coulomb
- b B
- c B ..... (A is Tresca, B is Von Mises, C is Rankine, D is nonsense)

