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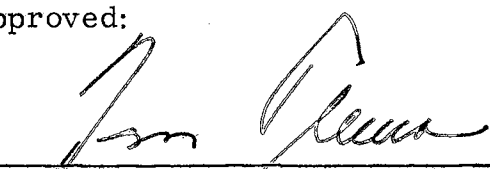
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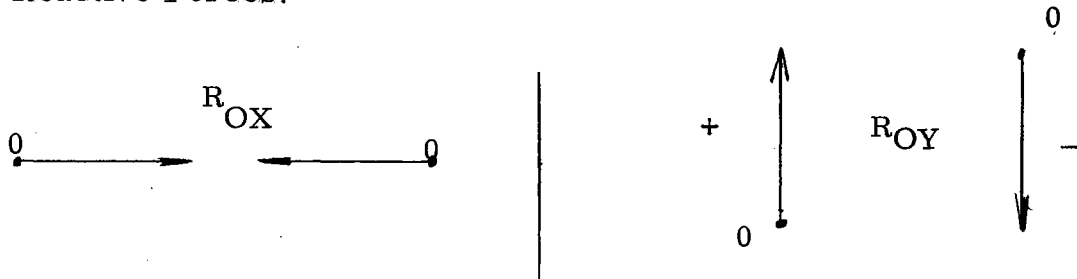
$T_0$	Initial temperature
$T_1$	Final temperature at top
$T_2$	Final temperature at bottom
$T_T$	Change in temperature at top
$T_B$	Change in temperature at bottom
$\epsilon_T$	Linear temperature strain at top
$\epsilon_B$	Linear temperature strain at bottom
$\alpha$	Coefficient of thermal expansion
$d\phi_{TB}$	Angular temperature strain
$R_{AY}, R_{BY}, R_{CY}$	Vertical reactions at the respective joint
$R_{AX}, R_{BX}, R_{CX}$	Horizontal reaction at the respective end
$H$	Function of the horizontal reaction
$M_{AB}, M_{BA}, M_{BC}$	Bending moment at the respective end
$\Delta_{AX}, \Delta_{BX}, \Delta_{CX}$	Horizontal displacement at the respective joint
$\Delta_{AY}, \Delta_{BY}, \Delta_{CY}$	Vertical displacement at the respective joint
$N_x$	Normal force at $x$
$V_x$	Shearing force at $x$
$M_x$	Bending moment at $x$
$U_{EXT}$	External work due to loads and reactions
$U_1$	External work due to loads
$U_2$	External work due to reactions
$U_{INT}$	Internal work due to loads, reactions, temperature changes, and moisture changes.

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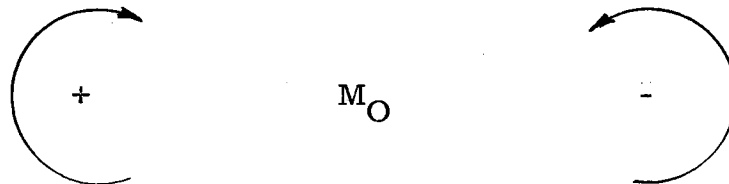
$U_3$	Internal work due to loads and reactions
$U_4$	Internal work due to temperature and moisture changes
$L$	Length
$A_x$	Variable area of the cross-section of the beam
$I_x$	Variable moment of inertia of the cross-section of the beam
$E$	Modulus of elasticity of the material
$G$	Modulus of rigidity of the material
$H_x$	Variable shear coefficient of the cross-section of the beam
$a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j$	Distribution factors
$s$	Function of the distribution factors
$X, Y$	Denominators of convergency
$K_{AB}, K_{BA}, K_{BC}$	Stiffness factors of the respective member
$K^I_{AB}, K^I_{BA}, K^I_{BC}$	Modified stiffness factors of the respective member
$C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4, N,$	Equivalents

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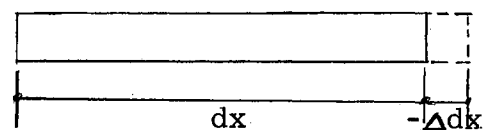
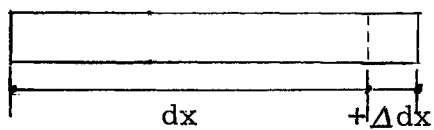
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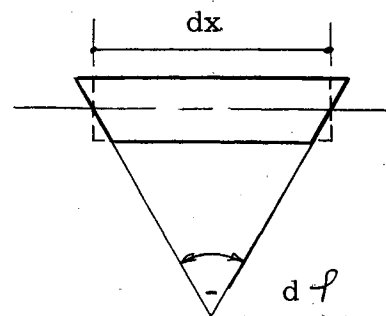
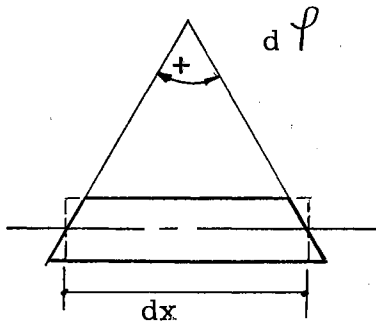
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Linear Deformations:



Angular Deformations:





## PART I

### INTRODUCTION

The stresses and deformations developed in rigid frame bridges are of two types:

1. Primary stresses and deformations (due to loads).
2. Secondary stresses and deformations (due to change in temperature, change in moisture content and displacement of supports).

In many cases, the secondary effects reach large magnitudes and are no longer secondary. This is particularly true in the case of a rigid frame bridge of which the topside is exposed to the sun radiation and the underside remains in the shade. The temperature moments become third power functions of the depth of the main girder and a first power function of the temperature differential.

The purpose of this thesis is the mathematical investigation of these moments in three and four span rigid frame bridges by means of infinite, geometric series. The results are summarized in two tables (VI and VII) and the suggested procedure is illustrated by two typical examples.

## PART II

### DERIVATION OF DEFORMATION EQUATIONS

A fixed end unsymmetrical beam of variable cross-section is considered (Fig. 1).

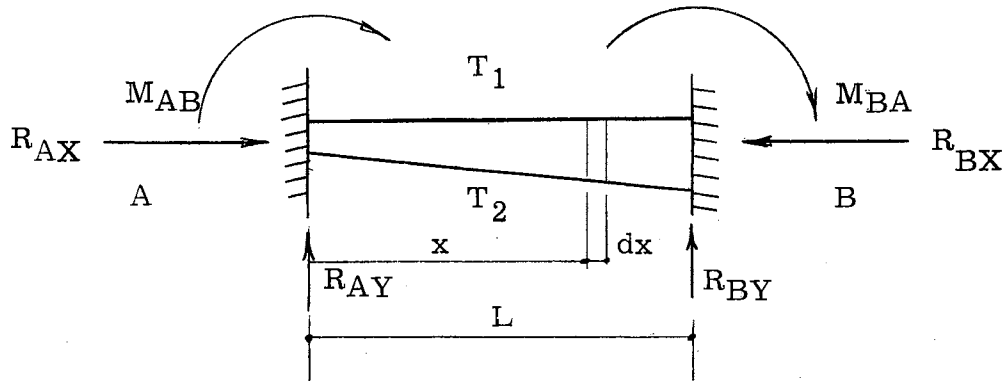


Fig. 1

Fixed End Beam

The change in temperature above the beam

$$T_T = T_1 - T_0 \quad (1)$$

and the change in temperature below the beam

$$T_B = T_2 - T_0 \quad (2)$$

Where

$T_0$  = Initial temperature

$T_1$  = Final temperature top

$T_2$  = Final temperature bottom.

The linear temperature strain

$$\epsilon_T = \alpha T_T \text{ and } \epsilon_B = \alpha T_B \quad (3) \text{ and } (4)$$

The angular temperature strain (if  $T_T < T_B$ ) (Fig. 2).

$$d\phi_{TB} = \alpha \frac{T_B - T_T}{h_x} dx \quad (5)$$

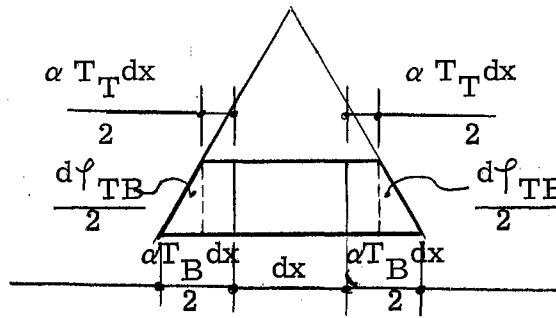


Fig. 2

Temperature Deformation of Element  $dx$

The reactive forces in terms of end moments  $M_{AB}$ ,  $M_{BA}$ , and the axial thrust  $H$  are:

$$R_{AY} = - \frac{M_{AB} + M_{BA}}{L} \quad (6)$$

$$R_{BY} = \frac{M_{AB} + M_{BA}}{L} \quad (7)$$

$$R_{AX} = - R_{BX} = H. \quad (8)$$

The normal force at  $x$

$$N_{x=0 \rightarrow L}^{(A)} = -H. \quad (9)$$

The shearing force at  $x$

$$V_{x=0 \rightarrow L}^{(A)} = -\frac{M_{AB} + M_{BA}}{L}. \quad (10)$$

The bending moment at  $x$  in terms of  $x = x$  and  $x' = L-x$ ,

$$M_{x=0 \rightarrow L}^{(A)} = M_{AB} \frac{x'}{L} - M_{BA} \frac{x}{L}. \quad (11)$$

From the principle of minimum energy

$$\frac{\partial U_{INT}}{\partial M_{AB}} = \frac{\partial U_{EXT}}{\partial M_{AB}} \quad (12)$$

$$\frac{\partial U_{INT}}{\partial M_{BA}} = \frac{\partial U_{EXT}}{\partial M_{BA}} \quad (13)$$

$$\frac{\partial U_{INT}}{\partial H} = \frac{\partial U_{EXT}}{\partial H}. \quad (14)$$

Where

$$U_{EXT} = \begin{cases} U_1 = \text{External work due to loads} \\ U_2 = \text{External work due to reactions} \end{cases}$$

$$U_{INT} = \begin{cases} U_3 = \text{Internal work due to loads and reactions} \\ U_4 = \text{Internal work due to temperature and moisture change.} \end{cases}$$

If only the change in temperature is considered

$$U_1 = 0 \quad U_2 = 0 \quad (15)$$

$$U_3 = \int_A^B \frac{N_x^2 dx}{2A_x E} + \int_A^B \frac{\mathcal{H}_x V_x^2 dx}{2A_x G} + \int_A^B \frac{M_x^2 dx}{2EI_x} \quad (16)$$

$$U_4 = \int_A^B \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_B + \mathcal{E}_T}{2} \right) N_x dx + \int_A^B M_x d\varphi_{TB} \quad (17)$$

The symbols in Equations (16) and (17) are

$A_x$  = Variable area of the cross-section of the beam

$I_x$  = Variable moment of inertia of the cross-section of the beam

$E$  = Modulus of elasticity of the material

$G$  = Modulus of rigidity of the material

$\mathcal{H}_x$  = Variable shear coefficient of the cross-section of the beam.

The minimum energy Equations (12, 13, 14) in terms of Equations (15, 16, 17) are:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \int_A^B \frac{\mathcal{H}_x M_{AB} dx}{A_x GL^2} + \int_A^B \frac{\mathcal{H}_x M_{BA} dx}{A_x GL^2} + \int_A^B \frac{M_{AB} x'^2 dx}{EI_x L^2} - \int_A^B \frac{M_{BA} x' x dx}{EI_x L^2} \\ & + \int_A^B \frac{x'}{L} d\varphi_{TB} \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \int_A^B \frac{\mathcal{H}_x M_{AB} dx}{A_x GL^2} + \int_A^B \frac{\mathcal{H}_x M_{BA} dx}{A_x GL^2} - \int_A^B \frac{M_{AB} x' x dx}{EI_x L^2} \\ & + \int_A^B \frac{M_{BA} x^2 dx}{EI_x L^2} - \int_A^B \frac{x}{L} d\varphi_{TB} \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

$$0 = \int_A^B \frac{H dx}{A_x E} - \int_A^B \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_B + \mathcal{E}_T}{2} \right) dx \quad (20)$$

With new equivalents:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_1 &= \int_A^B \frac{\mathcal{H}_x dx}{A_x GL^2} + \int_A^B \frac{x^2 dx}{EI_x L^2} \\
 C_2 &= \int_A^B \frac{\mathcal{H}_x dx}{A_x GL^2} - \int_A^B \frac{xx' dx}{EI_x L^2} \\
 C_3 &= \int_A^B \frac{\mathcal{H}_x dx}{A_x GL^2} + \int_A^B \frac{x'^2 dx}{EI_x L^2} \\
 C_4 &= \int_A^B \frac{dx}{A_x E} \\
 C_5 &= \int_A^B \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_B + \mathcal{E}_T}{2} \right) dx \\
 C_6 &= \int_A^B \frac{x}{L} d\mathcal{P}_{TB} \\
 C_7 &= \int_A^B \frac{x'}{L} d\mathcal{P}_{TB}
 \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

the deformation Equations (18, 19, 20) become:

$$0 = C_3 M_{AB} + C_2 M_{BA} + C_7 \tag{22}$$

$$0 = C_2 M_{AB} + C_1 M_{BA} - C_6 \tag{23}$$

$$0 = C_4 H - C_5 \tag{24}$$

Let

$$C_1 C_3 - C_2 C_2 = N \tag{25}$$

After solving Equations (22) and (23) simultaneously:

$$M_{AB} = -\frac{C_1 C_7 + C_2 C_6}{N} \quad (26)$$

$$M_{BA} = \frac{C_3 C_6 + C_2 C_7}{N} \quad (27)$$

and from Equation (24)

$$H = \frac{C_5}{C_4} \quad (28)$$

If the cross-section of the beam is constant

$$A_x = A \quad I_x = I \quad \mathcal{H}_x = \mathcal{H} \quad h_x = h$$

and the equivalents (21) become:

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 &= \frac{\mathcal{H}}{LAG} + \frac{L}{3EI} \\ C_2 &= \frac{\mathcal{H}}{LAG} - \frac{L}{6EI} \\ C_3 &= \frac{\mathcal{H}}{LAG} + \frac{L}{3EI} \\ C_4 &= \frac{L}{AE} \\ C_5 &= \frac{\alpha L (T_B + T_T)}{2} \\ C_6 &= \frac{\alpha L (T_B - T_T)}{2h} \\ C_7 &= \frac{\alpha L (T_B - T_T)}{2h} \\ N &= \frac{1}{EI} \left( \frac{\mathcal{H}}{AG} + \frac{L^2}{12EI} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

If the cross-section of the beam is constant and the shearing deformation is neglected

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 &= C_3 = \frac{L}{3EI} \\ C_2 &= -\frac{L}{6EI} \\ N &= \frac{L^2}{12 EI^2} \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

and the final form of the redundant Equations (26, 27, 28) in terms of the simplified Equations (30) become:

$$M_{AB} = -\frac{\alpha (T_B - T_T) EI}{h} \quad (31)$$

$$M_{BA} = \frac{\alpha (T_B - T_T) EI}{h} \quad (32)$$

$$H = \frac{\alpha (T_B + T_T) AE}{2} \quad (33)$$



### PART III

#### DERIVATION OF NEW DISTRIBUTION FACTORS FOR A THREE SPAN BRIDGE FRAME

A typical three span cyclosymmetrical bridge frame with members of constant cross-section is considered (Fig. 3). The deck is freely supported at the abutments, restrained against translation at D and integral with piers hinged at the bottom.

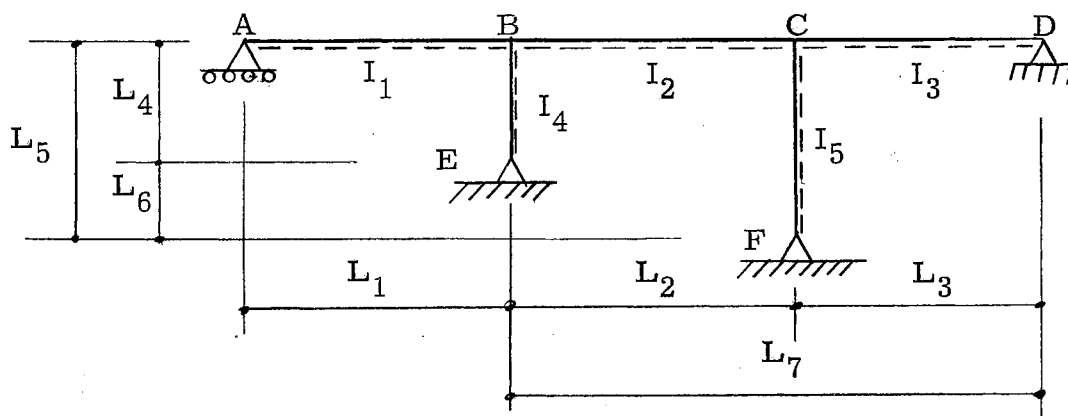


Fig. 3

Three Span Bridge Frame

#### A. Equal Temperature Deformations

The uniform temperature change  $T_T = T_B = T$  is assumed for each member.

The fixed end moments due to the uniform temperature change

$$T_T = T_B = T, \text{ (Fig. 4):}$$

$$\begin{aligned} EM_{BA}^{(0)} &= \frac{3EI_1}{L_1^2} \alpha TL_4 \\ EM_{BE}^{(0)} &= \frac{3EI_4}{L_4^2} \alpha TL_7 \\ EM_{CD}^{(0)} &= -\frac{3EI_3}{L_3^2} \alpha TL_5 \\ EM_{CF}^{(0)} &= \frac{3EI_5}{L_5^2} \alpha TL_3 \\ FEM_{BC}^{(0)} &= FEM_{CB}^{(0)} = \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} \alpha TL_6 \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{BA} &= a & D_{CB} &= 2c \\
D_{BC} &= 2b & D_{CD} &= d \\
D_{BE} &= e & D_{CF} &= f
\end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

After recording the fixed end moments, all joints are successively unlocked and allowed to rotate gradually into their equilibrium position.

The unbalance at joint B

$$M_B^{(0)} = \alpha T \left( \frac{3EI_1}{L_1^2} L_4 + \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} L_6 + \frac{3EI_4}{L_4^2} L_7 \right). \tag{36}$$

The unbalance at joint C

$$M_C^{(0)} = \alpha T \left( \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} L_6 + \frac{3EI_3}{L_3^2} L_5 + \frac{3EI_5}{L_5^2} L_3 \right). \tag{37}$$

The balancing procedure in the algebraic form of a series is expanded for each moment in Table I and Table II.

The final moments due to the uniform temperature change at joint B are:

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{BA} &= EM_{BA}^{(0)} - aM_B^{(0)} - abcM_B^{(0)} - \dots \\
&\quad + acM_C^{(0)} + abc^2M_C^{(0)} + \dots \\
&= EM_{BA}^{(0)} - \frac{a}{X}M_B^{(0)} + \frac{ac}{X}M_C^{(0)}.
\end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{BE} &= EM_{BE}^{(0)} - eM_B^{(0)} - ebcM_C^{(0)} - \dots \\
&\quad + ecM_C^{(0)} + ebc^2M_C^{(0)} + \dots \\
&= EM_{BE}^{(0)} - \frac{e}{X}M_B^{(0)} + \frac{ec}{X}M_C^{(0)}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$M_{BC} = -M_{BA} - M_{BE}. \quad (38)$$

The final moments due to the uniform temperature change at joint C are:

$$\begin{aligned} M_{CD} &= EM_{CD}^{(0)} + dbM_B^{(0)} + db^2cM_B^{(0)} + \dots \\ &\quad - dM_C^{(0)} - dbcM_C^{(0)} - \dots \\ &= EM_{CD}^{(0)} + \frac{db}{X} M_B^{(0)} - \frac{d}{X} M_C^{(0)} \\ M_{CF} &= EM_{CF}^{(0)} + fbM_B^{(0)} + fb^2cM_B^{(0)} + \dots \\ &\quad - fM_C^{(0)} - fbcM_C^{(0)} - \dots \\ &= EM_{CF}^{(0)} + \frac{fb}{X} M_B^{(0)} - \frac{f}{X} M_C^{(0)} \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

and

$$M_{CB} = -M_{CD} - M_{CF}$$

where

$$X = 1 - bc.$$

The horizontal reaction at D

$$H = \frac{M_{BE}}{L_4} + \frac{M_{CF}}{L_5}. \quad (40)$$

TABLE I  
ALGEBRAIC DISTRIBUTION OF UNIT MOMENT AT B

Joints	B			C		
Members	BA	BE	BC	CB	CF	CD
Distribution Factors	a	e	2b	2c	f	d
First Distribution	-a	-e	-2b			
Carry Over				-b		
Second Distribution				+2bc	+bf	+bd
Carry Over			+bc			
Third Distribution	-abc	-ebc	$-2b^2c$			
Carry Over				$-b^2c$		
Fourth Distribution				$+2b^2c^2$	$+b^2cf$	$+b^2cd$
Carry Over			$+b^2c^2$			
Fifth Distribution	$-ab^2c^2$	$-eb^2c^2$	$-2b^3c^2$			
Carry Over				$-b^3c^2$		
Sixth Distribution				$+2b^3c^3$	$+b^3c^2f$	$+b^3c^2d$
	:	:	:	:	:	:
Infinite Distribution	0	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE II  
ALGEBRAIC DISTRIBUTION OF UNIT MOMENT AT C

Joints	B			C		
Members	BA	BE	BC	CB	CF	CD
Distribution Factors	a	e	2b	2c	f	d
First Distribution				-2c	-f	-d
Carry Over			-c			
Second Distribution	+ac	+ec	+2bc			
Carry Over				+bc		
Third Distribution				-2bc <sup>2</sup>	-fbc	-dbc
Carry Over			-bc <sup>2</sup>			
Fourth Distribution	+abc <sup>2</sup>	+ebc <sup>2</sup>	+2b <sup>2</sup> c <sup>2</sup>			
Carry Over				+b <sup>2</sup> c <sup>2</sup>		
Fifth Distribution				-2b <sup>2</sup> c <sup>3</sup>	-fb <sup>2</sup> c <sup>2</sup>	-db <sup>2</sup> c <sup>2</sup>
Carry Over			-b <sup>2</sup> c <sup>3</sup>			
Sixth Distribution	+ab <sup>2</sup> c <sup>3</sup>	+eb <sup>2</sup> c <sup>3</sup>	+2b <sup>3</sup> c <sup>3</sup>			
	.	.	.	.	.	.
	.	.	.	.	.	.
Infinite Distribution	0	0	0	0	0	0

### B. Unequal Temperature Deformations

If the nonuniform temperature change Equations (1) and (2) is considered, the fixed end moments due to this change (assuming  $T_B > T_T$ ) become:

$$\begin{aligned}
 EM_{BA} &= \frac{3EI_1}{L_1^2} \alpha T_B L_4 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{EI_1}{h_1} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \\
 FEM_{BC} &= \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} \alpha T_B L_6 - \frac{EI_2}{h_2} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \\
 FEM_{CB} &= \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} \alpha T_B L_6 + \frac{EI_2}{h_2} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \\
 EM_{CD} &= -\frac{3EI_3}{L_3^2} \alpha T_B L_5 - \frac{3}{2} \frac{EI_3}{h_3} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \\
 EM_{BE} &= \frac{3EI_4}{L_4^2} \alpha \left( \frac{T_B + T_T}{2} \right) L_7 \\
 EM_{CF} &= \frac{3EI_5}{L_5^2} \alpha \left( \frac{T_B + T_T}{2} \right) L_3 .
 \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

The temperature change below the girder is  $T_B$  and the columns undergo uniform change due to  $T_B$  only. Hereafter, the procedure of analysis is the same as in the previous case.

## PART IV

### DERIVATION FOR A FOUR SPAN BRIDGE FRAME

A typical four span cyclosymmetrical bridge frame with members of constant cross-section is considered (Fig. 5). The deck is freely supported at the abutments, restrained against translation at E and integral with piers hinged at bottom.

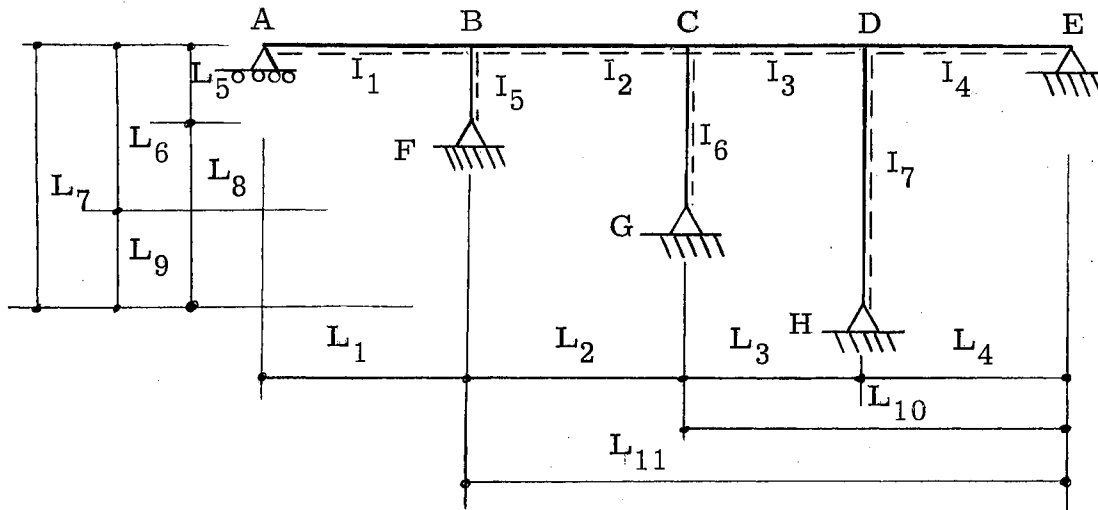


Fig. 5

Four Span Bridge Frame

#### A. Equal Temperature Deformations

The uniform temperature change  $T_T = T_B = T$  is assumed for each member.



The fixed end moments due to this temperature change (Fig. 5) are:

$$EM_{BA}^{(0)} = \frac{3EI_1}{L_1^2} \alpha TL_5$$

$$EM_{CG}^{(0)} = \frac{3EI_6}{L_6^2} \alpha TL_{10}$$

$$EM_{BF}^{(0)} = \frac{3EI_5}{L_5^2} \alpha TL_{11}$$

$$EM_{DH}^{(0)} = \frac{3EI_7}{L_7^2} \alpha TL_4$$

(42)

$$FEM_{BC}^{(0)} = FEM_{CB}^{(0)} = \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} \alpha TL_8$$

$$FEM_{CD}^{(0)} = FEM_{DC}^{(0)} = \frac{6EI_3}{L_3^2} \alpha TL_9$$

$$EM_{DE}^{(0)} = -\frac{3EI_4}{L_4^2} \alpha TL_7$$

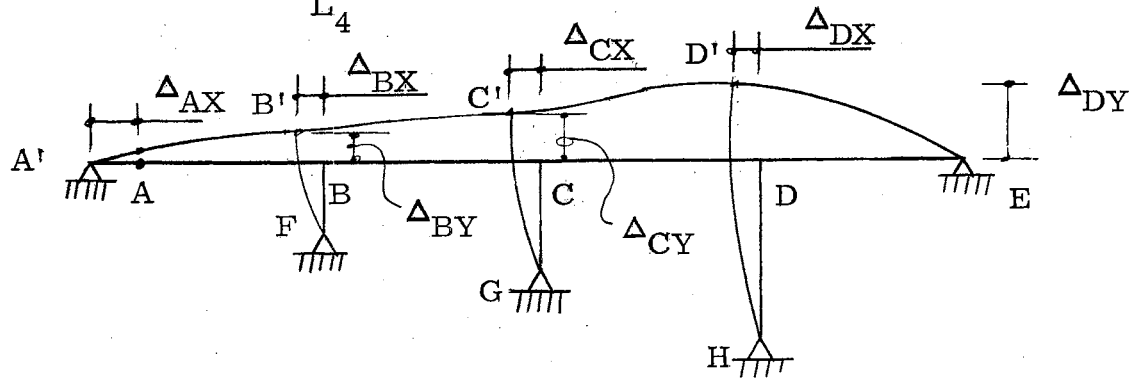


Fig. 6

Elastic Curve Due to Change in Temperature  
and Rotational Restrain at B, C, and D.

The distribution factors are designated as:

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 D_{BA} = a & D_{CB} = 2c & D_{DC} = 2e \\
 D_{BC} = 2b & D_{CD} = 2d & D_{DE} = f \\
 D_{BF} = g & D_{CG} = h & D_{DH} = j
 \end{array} \quad (43)$$

After recording the fixed end moments, all joints are successively unlocked and allowed to rotate gradually into their equilibrium position.

The unbalance at joint B

$$M_B^{(0)} = \alpha T \left( \frac{3EI_1}{L_1^2} L_5 + \frac{3EI_5}{L_5^2} L_{11} + \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} L_8 \right). \quad (44)$$

The unbalance at joint C

$$M_C^{(0)} = \alpha T \left( \frac{3EI_6}{L_6^2} L_{10} + \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} L_8 + \frac{6EI_3}{L_3^2} L_9 \right). \quad (45)$$

The unbalance at joint D

$$M_D^{(0)} = \alpha T \left( \frac{3EI_7}{L_7^2} L_4 + \frac{6EI_3}{L_3^2} L_9 - \frac{3EI_4}{L_4^2} L_7 \right). \quad (46)$$

The balancing procedure in the algebraic form of series is expanded for each moment (Table III, IV, V).

The final moments due to the uniform temperature change at joint B in terms of  $Y = 1 - bc - de$  are:

$$M_{BA} = EM_{BA}^{(0)} - aM_B^{(0)} - \frac{abc}{Y} M_B^{(0)} + \frac{ac}{Y} M_C^{(0)} - \frac{ace}{Y} M_D^{(0)} \quad (47)$$

$$M_{BF} = EM_{BF}^{(0)} - gM_B^{(0)} - \frac{gbc}{Y} M_B^{(0)} + \frac{gc}{Y} M_C^{(0)} - \frac{gce}{Y} M_D^{(0)} \quad (48)$$

and

$$M_{BC} = -M_{BA} - M_{BF}. \quad (49)$$

**TABLE III**  
**ALGEBRAIC DISTRIBUTION OF UNIT MOMENT AT B**

Joints	B			C			D		
Members	BA	BF	BC	CB	CG	CD	DC	DH	DE
Distribution Factors	a	g	2b	2c	h	2d	2e	j	f
First Distribution	-a	-g	-2b						
Carry Over				-b					
Second Distribution				+2bc	+hb	+2bd			
Carry Over			+bc				+bd		
Third Distribution	-abc	-gbc	-2b <sup>2</sup> c				-2ebd	-jbd	-fbd
Carry Over				-b <sup>2</sup> c		-ebd			
Fourth Distribution				+2bcs*	+hbs*	+2bds*			
Carry Over			+bcs				+bds		
Fifth Distribution	-abcs	-gbcs	-2b <sup>2</sup> cs				-2ebds	-jbds	-fbds
Carry Over				-b <sup>2</sup> cs		-bds			
Sixth Distribution				+2cbs <sup>2</sup>	+hbs <sup>2</sup>	+2bds <sup>2</sup>			
	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
Infinite Distribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

\* s = bc + de

TABLE IV  
ALGEBRAIC DISTRIBUTION OF UNIT MOMENT AT C

Joints	B			C			D		
Members	BA	BF	BC	CB	CG	CD	DC	DH	DE
Distribution Factors	a	g	2b	2c	h	2d	2e	j	f
First Distribution				-2c	-h	-2d			
Carry Over			-c				-d		
Second Distribution	+ac	+gc	+2bc				+2ed	+jd	+fd
Carry Over				+bc		+ed			
Third Distribution				-2cs*	-hs*	-2ds*			
Carry Over			-cs				-ds		
Fourth Distribution	+acs	+gcs	+2bcs				+2eds	+jds	+fds
Carry Over				+bcs		+eds			
Fifth Distribution				-2cs <sup>2</sup>	-hs <sup>2</sup>	-2ds <sup>2</sup>			
Carry Over			-cs <sup>2</sup>				-ds <sup>2</sup>		
Sixth Distribution	+acs <sup>2</sup>	+gcs <sup>2</sup>	+2bcs <sup>2</sup>				+2eds <sup>2</sup>	+jds <sup>2</sup>	+fds <sup>2</sup>
	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Infinite Distribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

\*  $s = bc + de$

TABLE V  
ALGEBRAIC DISTRIBUTION OF UNIT MOMENT AT D

Joints	B			C			D		
Members	BA	BF	BC	CB	CG	CD	DC	DH	DE
Distribution	a	g	2b	2c	h	2d	2e	j	f
First Distribution							-2e	-j	-f
Carry Over						-e			
Second Distribution				+2ce	+he	+2de			
Carry Over			+ce				+de		
Third Distribution	-ace	-gce	-2bce				-2de <sup>2</sup>	-jde	-fde
Carry Over				-bce		-de <sup>2</sup>			
Fourth Distribution				+2ces*	+hes*	+2des*			
Carry Over			+ces				+des		
Fifth Distribution	-aces	-gces	-2bces				-2de <sup>2</sup> s	-jdes	-fdes
Carry Over				-bces		-des			
Sixth Distribution				+2ces <sup>2</sup>	+hes <sup>2</sup>	+2des <sup>2</sup>			
	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
Infinite Distribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

\*  $s = bc + de$

The final moments due to the uniform temperature change at joint C are:

$$M_{CB} = FEM_{CB}^{(0)} - bM_B^{(0)} - \frac{b^2c}{Y}M_B^{(0)} + \frac{2bc}{Y}M_B^{(0)} - \frac{2c}{Y}M_C^{(0)} + \frac{bc}{Y}M_C^{(0)} + \frac{2ce}{Y}M_D^{(0)} - \frac{bce}{Y}M_D^{(0)} \quad (50)$$

$$M_{CG} = EM_{CG}^{(0)} + \frac{hb}{Y}M_B^{(0)} - \frac{h}{Y}M_C^{(0)} + \frac{he}{Y}M_D^{(0)} \quad (51)$$

and

$$M_{CD} = -M_{CB} - M_{CG} \quad (52)$$

The final moments due to the uniform temperature change at joint D are:

$$M_{DE} = EM_{DE}^{(0)} - \frac{fdb}{Y}M_B^{(0)} + \frac{fd}{Y}M_C^{(0)} - fM_D^{(0)} - \frac{fde}{Y}M_D^{(0)} \quad (53)$$

$$M_{DH} = EM_{DH}^{(0)} - \frac{jdb}{Y}M_B^{(0)} + \frac{j d}{Y}M_C^{(0)} - jM_D^{(0)} - \frac{jde}{Y}M_D^{(0)} \quad (54)$$

and

$$M_{DC} = -M_{DE} - M_{DH}.$$

The horizontal reaction at E:

$$H = \frac{M_{BF}}{L_5} + \frac{M_{CG}}{L_6} + \frac{M_{DH}}{L_7} \quad (55)$$

## B. Unequal Temperature Deformations

If the nonuniform temperature change Equations (1) and (2) is considered, the fixed end moments due to this change (assuming  $T_B > T_T$ ) become:

$$EM_{BA} = \frac{3EI_1}{L_1} \alpha T_B L_5 + \frac{3EI_1}{2h_1} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \quad (56)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
FEM_{BC} &= \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} \alpha T_B L_8 - \frac{EI_2}{h_2} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \\
EM_{BF} &= \frac{3EI_5}{L_5^2} \alpha \left( \frac{T_B + T_T}{2} \right) L_{11} \\
FEM_{CB} &= \frac{6EI_2}{L_2^2} \alpha T_B L_8 + \frac{EI_2}{h_2} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \\
FEM_{CD} &= \frac{6EI_3}{L_3^2} \alpha T_B L_9 - \frac{EI_3}{h_3} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \\
EM_{CG} &= \frac{3EI_6}{L_6^2} \alpha \left( \frac{T_B + T_T}{2} \right) L_{10} \\
FEM_{DC} &= \frac{6EI_3}{L_3^2} \alpha T_B L_9 + \frac{EI_3}{h_3} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \\
EM_{DE} &= -\frac{3EI_4}{L_4^2} \alpha T_B L_7 - \frac{3EI_4}{2h_4} \alpha (T_B - T_T) \\
EM_{DH} &= \frac{3EI_7}{L_7^2} \alpha \left( \frac{T_B + T_T}{2} \right) L_4
\end{aligned} \tag{56}$$

Hereafter the procedure of analysis is the same as in the uniform case.

## PART V

### TABLES

#### A. General Notes

Two general tables of end moments due to temperature change are presented in this part of the thesis.

Table VI - End Moments in Three Span Unsymmetrical Bridge  
Frame

Table VII - End Moments in Four Span Unsymmetrical Bridge  
Frame.

Each table is composed of the following major parts:

1. Description of Frame - Definition and structural identities.
2. Illustration of Frame - Figure containing symbols for all structural elements.
3. Algebraic Equivalents - Stiffness factors and distribution factors.
4. Final Moments - Algebraic moment coefficients known as new distribution factors.

#### B. Procedure

The procedure of analysis may be summarized in the following steps:

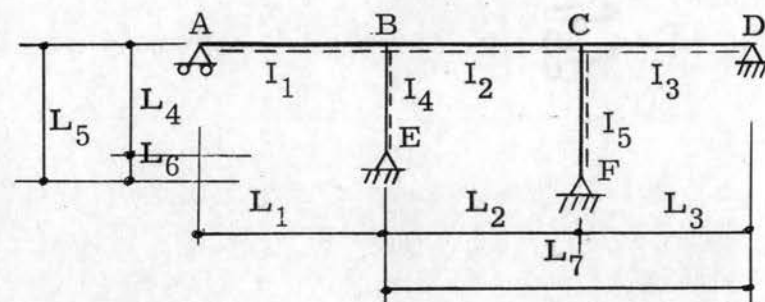
1. Select the table for the case to be investigated and adjust the symbols to those shown in table.
2. Compute all stiffness factors, distribution factors, and equivalents.



3. Compute the fixed and propped end moments due to the uniform and nonuniform change in temperature.
4. Substitute the equivalents, the fixed and propped end moments in the moment part of the respective table and compute the final end moments.
5. Check the final answers by means of moment equilibrium at the joint.

TABLE VI - END MOMENTS IN THREE SPAN UNSYMMETRICAL BRIDGE FRAME

Three span frame freely supported at abutments,  
restrained against translation at D, with piers  
hinged at bottom.  
Constant Moment of Inertia.



STIFFNESS FACTORS

$$K'_{BA} = \frac{3I_1}{4L_1} \quad K'_{BE} = \frac{3I_4}{4L_4} \quad K_{BC} = \frac{I_2}{L_2}$$

$$\sum K_B = K'_{BA} + K'_{BE} + K_{BC}$$

$$K_{CB} = \frac{I_2}{L_2} \quad K'_{CF} = \frac{3I_5}{4L_5} \quad K'_{CD} = \frac{3I_3}{4L_3}$$

$$\sum K_C = K_{CB} + K'_{CF} + K'_{CD}$$

DISTRIBUTION FACTORS

$$a = \frac{K'_{BA}}{\sum K_B} \quad e = \frac{K'_{BE}}{\sum K_B} \quad b = \frac{K_{BC}}{2\sum K_B}$$

$$c = \frac{K_{CB}}{2\sum K_C} \quad f = \frac{K'_{CF}}{\sum K_C} \quad d = \frac{K'_{CD}}{\sum K_C}$$

$$X = 1 - bc$$

TABLE VI - (CONTINUED)

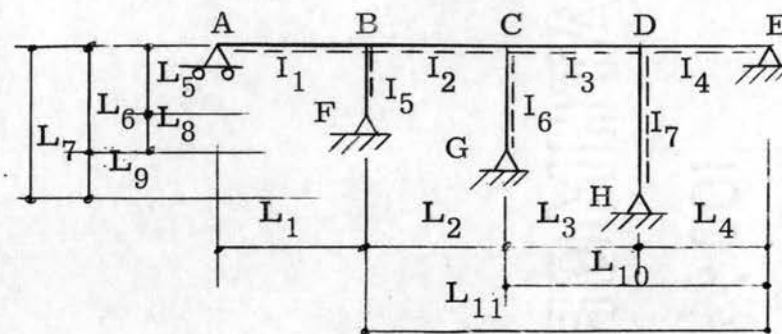
## FINAL MOMENTS

Moment	End Moment	$EM_{BA} + EM_{BE} + FEM_{BC}$	$FEM_{CB} + EM_{CF} + EM_{CD}$
$M_{BA}$	$EM_{BA}$	$-\frac{a}{X}$	$+\frac{ac}{X}$
$M_{BE}$	$EM_{BE}$	$-\frac{e}{X}$	$+\frac{ec}{X}$
$M_{BC}$	$FEM_{BC}$	$-\left(\frac{2b - cb}{X}\right)$	$-\left(\frac{c - 2bc}{X}\right)$
$M_{CB}$	$FEM_{CB}$	$-\left(\frac{b - 2cb}{X}\right)$	$-\left(\frac{2c - bc}{X}\right)$
$M_{CF}$	$EM_{CF}$	$+\frac{fb}{X}$	$-\frac{f}{X}$
$M_{CD}$	$EM_{CD}$	$+\frac{db}{X}$	$-\frac{d}{X}$

TABLE VII - END MOMENTS IN FOUR SPAN UNSYMMETRICAL BRIDGE FRAME

Four span frame freely supported at abutments,  
restrained against translation at E, with piers  
hinged at bottom.

Constant Moment of Inertia.



STIFFNESS FACTORS

$$K'_{BA} = \frac{3I_1}{4L_1} \quad K'_{BF} = \frac{3I_5}{4L_5} \quad K_{BC} = \frac{I_2}{L_2}$$

$$\sum K_B = K'_{BA} + K_{BC} + K'_{BF}$$

$$K_{CB} = \frac{I_2}{L_2} \quad K'_{CG} = \frac{3I_6}{4L_6} \quad K_{CD} = \frac{I_3}{L_3}$$

$$\sum K_C = K_{CB} + K'_{CG} + K_{CD}$$

$$K_{DC} = \frac{I_3}{L_3} \quad K'_{DH} = \frac{3I_7}{4L_7} \quad K'_{DE} = \frac{3I_4}{4L_4}$$

$$\sum K_D = K_{DC} + K'_{DH} + K'_{DE}$$

DISTRIBUTION FACTORS

$$a = \frac{K'_{BA}}{\sum K_B} \quad g = \frac{K'_{BF}}{\sum K_B} \quad b = \frac{K_{BC}}{2\sum K_B}$$

$$c = \frac{K_{CB}}{2\sum K_C} \quad h = \frac{K'_{CG}}{\sum K_C} \quad d = \frac{K_{CD}}{2\sum K_C}$$

$$e = \frac{K_{DC}}{2\sum K_D} \quad j = \frac{K'_{DH}}{\sum K_D} \quad f = \frac{K'_{DE}}{\sum K_D}$$

$$X = 1 - bc$$

$$Y = 1 - bc - de$$

TABLE VII-(CONTINUED)

## FINAL MOMENTS

Moment	End Moment	$EM_{BA} + EM_{BF} + FEM_{BC}$	$FEM_{CB} + EM_{CG} + FEM_{CD}$	$FEM_{DC} + EM_{DH} + EM_{DE}$
$M_{BA}$	$EM_{BA}$	$-\left(a + \frac{abc}{Y}\right)$	$+\frac{ac}{Y}$	$-\frac{ace}{Y}$
$M_{BF}$	$EM_{BF}$	$-\left(g + \frac{gbc}{Y}\right)$	$+\frac{gc}{Y}$	$-\frac{gce}{Y}$
$M_{BC}$	$FEM_{BC}$	$-\left(\frac{2b}{X} - \frac{bc}{Y}\right)$	$-\left(\frac{c - 2bc}{Y}\right)$	$+\left(\frac{ce - 2bce}{Y}\right)$
$M_{CB}$	$FEM_{CB}$	$-\left(\frac{b}{X} - \frac{2bc}{Y}\right)$	$-\left(\frac{2c - bc}{Y}\right)$	$+\left(\frac{2ce - bce}{Y}\right)$
$M_{CG}$	$EM_{CG}$	$+\frac{hb}{Y}$	$-\frac{h}{Y}$	$+\frac{he}{Y}$
$M_{CD}$	$FEM_{CD}$	$+\left(\frac{2db - dbe}{Y}\right)$	$-\left(\frac{2d - de}{Y}\right)$	$-\left(\frac{e}{X} - \frac{2de}{Y}\right)$

TABLE VII - (CONTINUED)

FINAL MOMENTS				
Moment	End Moment	$EM_{BA} + EM_{BF} + FEM_{BC}$	$FEM_{CB} + EM_{CG} + FEM_{CD}$	$FEM_{DC} + EM_{DH} + EM_{DE}$
$M_{DC}$	$FEM_{DC}$	$+\left(\frac{db - 2dbe}{Y}\right)$	$-\left(\frac{d - 2de}{Y}\right)$	$-\left(\frac{2e}{X} - \frac{de}{Y}\right)$
$M_{DH}$	$EM_{DH}$	$-\frac{jdb}{Y}$	$+\frac{jd}{Y}$	$-\left(j + \frac{jde}{Y}\right)$
$M_{DE}$	$EM_{DE}$	$-\frac{fdb}{Y}$	$+\frac{fd}{Y}$	$-\left(f + \frac{fde}{Y}\right)$

## PART VI

### EXAMPLES

Two typical examples are introduced to demonstrate the application of moment coefficients recorded in Table VI. The reinforced concrete bridge considered in both cases is composed of prismatic members. The modulus of concrete

$$E = 3 \times 10^3 \text{ kip per in.}^2$$

and the coefficient of thermal expansion of concrete

$$\alpha = 6.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ per degree of Fahrenheit.}$$

The bridge deck integral with piers is supported by an expansion roller at A and by a hinge at D. The piers are hinged at bottoms. All values are given in inches, kips, or kip-inches.

Example 1: The effect of uniform change in temperature from

$$T_0 = 70^\circ \text{ to } T_1 = T_2 = 120^\circ$$

in the bridge frame shown in Fig. 7 is investigated.

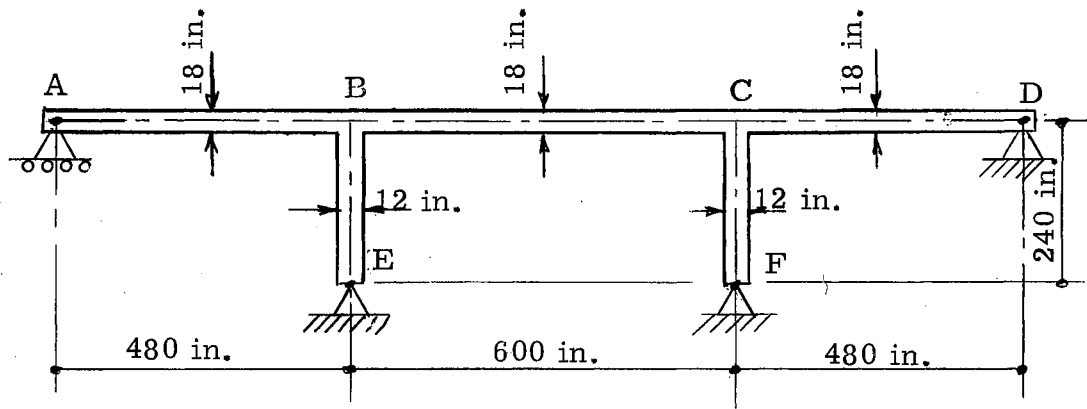


Fig. 5

### Three Span Symmetrical Reinforced Concrete Bridge Frame

The procedure of analysis is outlined in Part V of this thesis. The moment coefficients are computed by means of Table VI.

#### 1. Stiffness Factors:

$$K'_{BA} = 109.4 \quad K'_{BE} = 64.8 \quad K_{BC} = 116.6$$

$$\sum K_B = \sum K_C = 290.8$$

$$K_{CB} = 116.6 \quad K'_{CF} = 64.8 \quad K'_{CD} = 109.4$$

#### 2. Distribution Factors:

$$a = 0.378 \quad e = 0.222 \quad b = 0.200$$

$$c = 0.200 \quad f = 0.222 \quad d = 0.378$$

$$X = 0.96$$



### 3. Moments (Equation 34)

$$EM_{BA} = +17.75 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$EM_{CD} = -17.75 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$EM_{BE} = +94.80 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$EM_{CF} = +42.10 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$FEM_{BC} = 0$$

$$FEM_{CB} = 0$$

$$EM_{BA} + EM_{BE} + FEM_{BC} = +112.55 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$FEM_{CB} + EM_{CF} + EM_{CD} = +24.30 \text{ k-in.}$$

### 4. Final Moments (Table VI)

$$M_{BA} = +17.75 - \frac{0.378}{0.96} (+112.55) + \frac{0.0756}{0.96} (+24.30) = -24.65 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{BE} = +94.80 - \frac{0.222}{0.96} (+112.55) + \frac{0.0444}{0.96} (+24.30) = +69.90 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{BC} = 0 - \frac{0.36}{0.96} (+112.55) - \frac{0.12}{0.96} (+24.30) = -45.25 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{CB} = 0 - \frac{0.12}{0.96} (+112.55) - \frac{0.36}{0.96} (+24.30) = -23.20 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{CF} = +42.10 + \frac{0.0444}{0.96} (+112.55) - \frac{0.222}{0.96} (+24.30) = +41.67 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{CD} = -17.75 + \frac{0.0756}{0.96} (+112.55) - \frac{0.378}{0.96} (+24.30) = -18.47 \text{ k-in.}$$

Example 2: The effect of nonuniform change in temperature from

$$T_0 = 70^\circ \text{ to } T_1 = 120^\circ, \quad T_2 = 70^\circ$$

in the bridge frame shown in Fig. 7 is investigated. The numerical constants computed in the Example 1 may be used, but new fixed and propped end moments must be calculated.

### 1. Moments (Equation 41)

$$EM_{BA} = -474.00 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$FEM_{CB} = -316.00 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$EM_{BE} = +47.40 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$EM_{CF} = +21.00 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$FEM_{BC} = +316.00 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$EM_{CD} = +474.00 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$EM_{BA} + EM_{BE} + FEM_{BC} = -110.60 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$FEM_{CB} + EM_{CF} + EM_{CD} = +179.00 \text{ k-in.}$$

2. Final Moments (Table VI)

$$M_{BA} = -474.00 - \frac{0.378}{0.96} (-110.60) + \frac{0.0756}{0.96} (+179.00) = 416.30 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{BE} = +47.40 - \frac{0.222}{0.96} (-110.60) + \frac{0.0444}{0.96} (+179.00) = +81.30 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{BC} = +316.00 - \frac{0.36}{0.96} (-110.60) - \frac{0.12}{0.96} (+179.00) = +335.00 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{CB} = -316.00 - \frac{0.12}{0.96} (-110.60) - \frac{0.36}{0.96} (+179.00) = -369.60 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{CF} = +21.00 + \frac{0.0444}{0.96} (-110.60) - \frac{0.222}{0.96} (+179.00) = -25.40 \text{ k-in.}$$

$$M_{CD} = +474.00 + \frac{0.0756}{0.96} (-110.60) - \frac{0.378}{0.96} (+179.00) = +395.00 \text{ k-in.}$$

## PART VII

### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The moments due to the effect of temperature in rigid frame bridges were investigated by the algebraic moment distribution. It was shown, that each moment is being formed by a series which is:

- a.) Infinite
- b.) Convergent
- c.) Geometric

The sum of each series is a finite number and is being called the new distribution factor. The new distribution factor is a specific function of each member and is independent of loads or volume change.

The investigation is limited to three and four span bridge frames. The final results are general and precise.

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