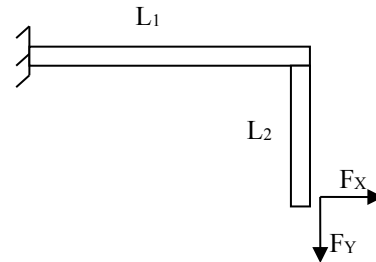
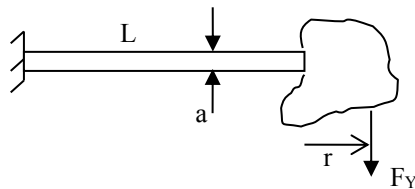


**Homework Assignment #4**

Due on bcourses Thursday 9/30/2021 (late 9 AM Friday)

1. The structure on the left below consists of a rigid body attached to the end of a beam of length  $L$ , width  $a$ , and thickness  $b$ . The goal is that a vertical force  $F_y$  generates only deflection in the  $y$  direction, and no rotation  $\theta$  at the tip of the beam. The force acts at a distance  $r$  from the end of the beam.
  - a. Write an expression for the rotation of the tip of the beam as a function of the moment arm  $r$ .
  - b. Solve for the value of  $r$  that sets the tip rotation to 0.
  - c. Compare the stiffness of the mechanism in part b to the simple beam (i.e.  $F_y$  applied at  $r=0$ ).
2. Repeat the previous problem, but with the goal of getting zero tip deflection.
  - a. Expression for deflection of the tip
  - b. Find  $r$  that sets tip deflection to 0
  - c. Sketch the shape of the beam under load.
3. In the structure on the right below, the two beams both have a width  $a$  and thickness  $b$ .
  - a. Choose  $L_2$  such that the spring constants in the  $x$  and  $y$  directions are equal.
  - b. For your choice in part a, calculate the compliance  $C_{xy}$ , which relates the force in the  $y$  direction to the displacement in the  $x$  direction.  $x=C_{xy} F_y$
  - c. For your choice in part a, calculate the compliance  $C_{yx}$  and explain what it means.



4. Design a suspension in POLYMUMPS to have a stiffness of 1 N/m in  $x$  and  $y$  with no cross-coupling.
5. [247] In the structure on the right above, is it possible to attach a rigid body to the end of  $L_2$  and choose the point of action of the two forces such that  $C_{xy}=C_{yx}=0$ ? If so, sketch your design.
6. A mechanical spring/mass/damper resonator with a  $Q$  of 4 is driven at resonance by an external sinusoidal force. The amplitude of motion is  $x_0 \sin(\omega t)$ . On a plot with the horizontal axis representing the magnitude of  $\sin(\omega t)$  forces, and the vertical axis representing the magnitude of  $\cos(\omega t)$  forces,
  - a. plot the spring, inertial, and damping forces. Make sure to show the relative scale of each.
  - b. What is the overall resulting force which must be supplied externally?

The frequency of the driving force is reduced by a factor of 2, to  $\omega_n/2$ , and the magnitude of the force is adjusted to maintain the same amplitude  $x_0$  as above.

  - c. plot the spring, inertial, and damping forces. Make sure to show the relative scale of each, and keep the spring force the same length as part (a).
  - d. What is the overall resulting force which must be supplied?

The frequency of the driving force is increased  $2\omega_n$ , and the magnitude of the force is adjusted to maintain the same amplitude  $x_0$  as above.

- e. plot the spring, inertial, and damping forces. Make sure to show the relative scale of each and, keep the spring force the same length as part (a).
  - f. What is the overall resulting force which must be supplied?
7. The same resonator is driven with an external force  $f_0\sin(\omega t)$ , which at low frequency generates a displacement  $x_0\sin(\omega t)$ . Plot the spring, inertial, and damping forces
- a. at  $\omega_n/10$
  - b. at  $\omega_n$
  - c. at  $10\omega_n$

Don't forget that at each frequency, the sum of the resonator forces must equal the external force!

- d. What is the phase of the displacement (relative to the input force) in each of the three cases above?
8. For a comb drive resonator with  $K=1$  N/m,  $w=1$ krad/s,  $Q=10$ , and  $N=10$  comb fingers, calculate the amplitude, phase, and frequency of all components of the deflection due to a 15 V 1 krad/s AC signal applied to one comb and a 15V DC signal applied to the body of the resonator.
- a. There are forces at three different frequencies being applied to the resonator. What are they?
  - b. What is the steady-state response of the resonator to each of these forces?
  - c. What is the overall steady-state response?