

## Structures

- **Agenda:**
  - Beams
    - Bending
    - Examples
  
- Reading: Senturia, Ch. 9, pp.211-219.

## ■ Last lecture

### ➤ Axial loading

- Spring constant  $k_{axial} = \frac{EWH}{L}$

### ➤ Bending

- Reaction force  $F_R = F$
- Reaction moment  $M_R = FL$
- Shear force  $V = F$
- Internal bending moment  $M(x) = -F(L - x)$
- For distributed loading

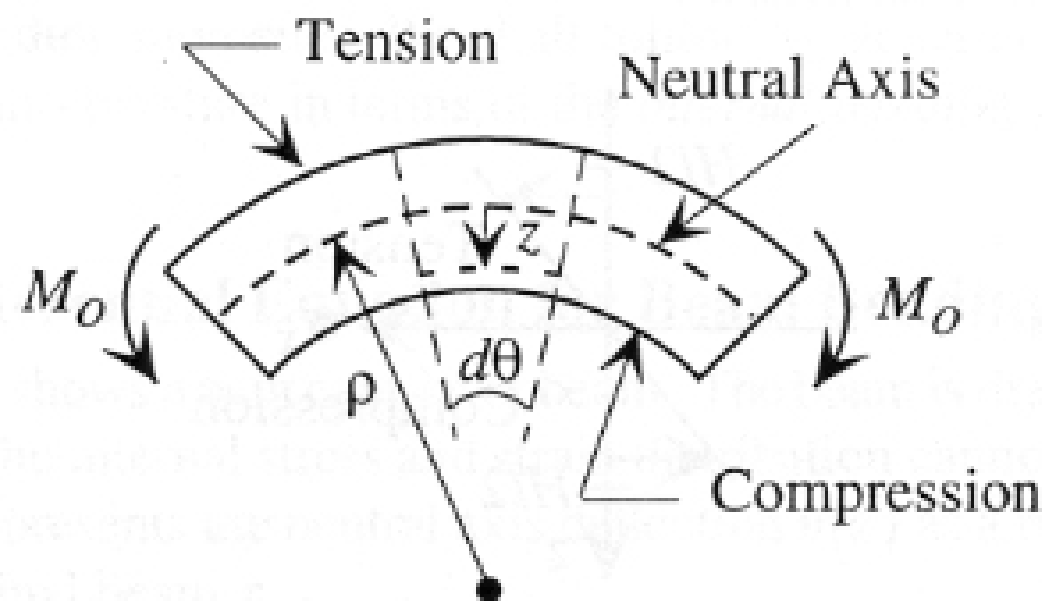
- $q = -\frac{dV}{dx}$

- $V = \frac{dW}{dx}$

# Bending of Beams

## ■ Stress in a beam with pure bending:

➤ Assume small deflections, i.e., “no strain in neutral axis”



Ref. Senturia, pg 211.

The length of the differential element,  $dL = (\rho - z)d\theta$  where,  $\rho =$  the radius of curvature. At the neutral axis ( $z = 0$ ),  $dx = \rho d\theta$ , therefore,  $dL = dx - \frac{z}{\rho} dx$ .

So the corresponding stresses and strains can be expressed as

$$\epsilon_x = -\frac{z}{\rho} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_x = -\frac{zE}{\rho}$$