

$$\uparrow R_A \times 10 - 15 \times 5 - 25 \times 2.5 = 0$$

$$R_A = 57.5\text{kN} \quad \checkmark$$

$$R_B = ?$$

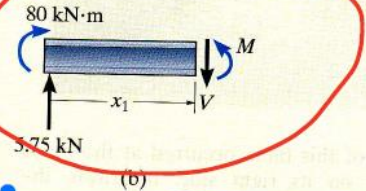
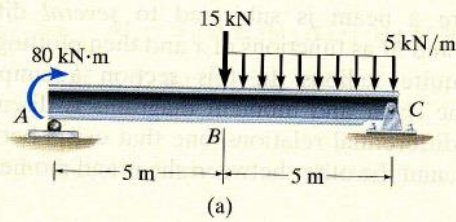


## EXAMPLE 6.4

Draw the shear and moment diagrams for the beam shown in Fig. 6-7a.



Refer to the Companion Website for the animation of the concepts that can be found in Example 6.4.



### SOLUTION

**Support Reactions.** The reactions at the supports have been determined and are shown on the free-body diagram of the beam, Fig. 6-7d.

**Shear and Moment Functions.** Since there is a discontinuity of distributed load and also a concentrated load at the beam's center, two regions of  $x$  must be considered in order to describe the shear and moment functions for the entire beam.

$0 \leq x_1 < 5 \text{ m}$ , Fig. 6-7b:

$$+\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0; \quad 5.75 \text{ kN} - V = 0$$

$$V = 5.75 \text{ kN} \quad (1)$$

$$\downarrow + \Sigma M = 0; \quad -80 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} - 5.75 \text{ kN} x_1 + M = 0$$

$$M = (5.75x_1 + 80) \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} \quad (2)$$

$5 \text{ m} < x_2 \leq 10 \text{ m}$ , Fig. 6-7c:

$$+\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0; \quad 5.75 \text{ kN} - 15 \text{ kN} - 5 \text{ kN/m}(x_2 - 5 \text{ m}) - V = 0$$

$$V = (15.75 - 5x_2) \text{ kN} \quad (3)$$

$$\downarrow + \Sigma M = 0; \quad -80 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} - 5.75 \text{ kN} x_2 + 15 \text{ kN}(x_2 - 5 \text{ m})$$

$$+ 5 \text{ kN/m}(x_2 - 5 \text{ m}) \left( \frac{x_2 - 5 \text{ m}}{2} \right) + M = 0$$

$$M = (-2.5x_2^2 + 15.75x_2 + 92.5) \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} \quad (4)$$

These results can be checked in part by noting that  $w = dV/dx$  and  $V = dM/dx$ . Also, when  $x_1 = 0$ , Eqs. 1 and 2 give  $V = 5.75 \text{ kN}$  and  $M = 80 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m}$ ; when  $x_2 = 10 \text{ m}$ , Eqs. 3 and 4 give  $V = -34.25 \text{ kN}$  and  $M = 0$ . These values check with the support reactions shown on the free-body diagram, Fig. 6-7d.

**Shear and Moment Diagrams.** Equations 1 through 4 are plotted in Fig. 6-7d.

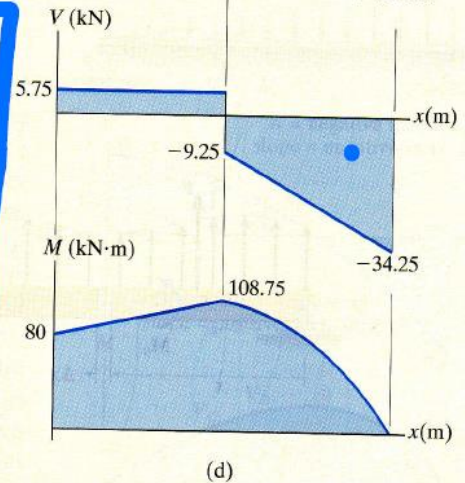
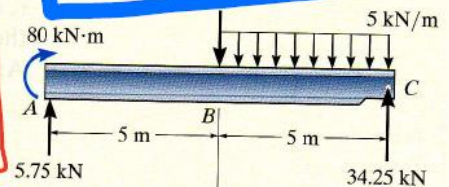
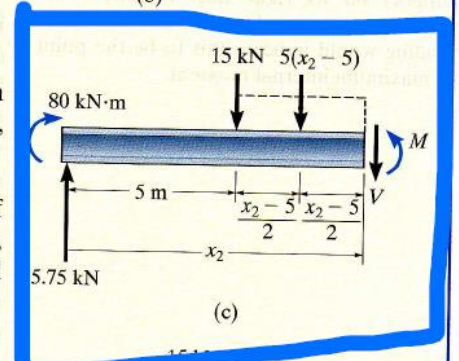


Fig. 6-7

Calculate the maximum bending stress and verify with yield stress.