

Step 4: Determine Q as a function of requirements and material properties – deflection basis

Try using deflection as the basis for material selection and then check strength

$$m = \rho b h L = \rho b L \left[\frac{PL^3}{4Eb\nu} \right]^{1/3} = \left[\frac{PL^6 b^2}{4\nu} \right]^{1/3} \left[\frac{\rho}{E^{1/3}} \right]$$
$$C = C_m m = \left[\frac{PL^6 b^2}{4\nu} \right]^{1/3} \left[\frac{\rho C_m}{E^{1/3}} \right]$$
