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控制系統  
Control Systems

Unit 2D  
Mechanical Systems –  
Distributed Parameter Systems

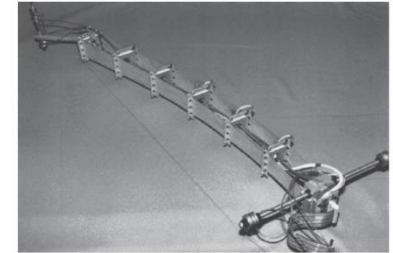
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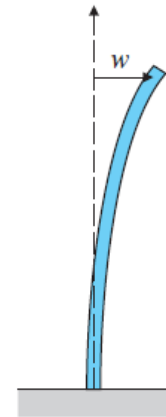
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## ● Flexible beams

- Actual structures usually bend
- The equation is a fourth-order partial differential equation
- The mass elements are continuously distributed along the beam with a small amount of flexibility between elements
- This type of system is called a **distributed parameter system**



(a)



(b)

## ■ Model (Equations of Motion, [Thomson and Dahleh, 1998] )

$$EI \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} + \rho \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

$E$  = Young's modulus

$I$  = beam area moment of inertia

$\rho$  = beam density

$w$  = beam deflection at length  $x$  along the beam