

### Problem:

Maximize stiffness of a beam which is subjected to constant heat flux at one end. The beam is fixed at both the ends. It has square cross-section, with variable side =  $s(x)$ . Write down the complete problem statement using  $L$  (length of the beam),  $E$  (Young's modulus),  $\alpha$  (Thermal expansion coefficient),  $K$  (thermal conductivity),  $T_0$  (Initial temperature) and other quantities noted above and the additional ones that are needed. Maximum volume of material can be used is  $V^*$ . Then, write the necessary conditions and set up the update formula for the side of the beam using the optimality criteria method.

