1. Assuming the Prandtl stress function for the torsion of a bar of equilateral triangular cross-section with sides x + a/3 = 0, $x - 2a/3 + \sqrt{3}y = 0$ and $x - 2a/3 - \sqrt{3}y = 0$, to be of the form

$$\phi = m(x + a/3)(x - 2a/3 + \sqrt{3}y)(x - 2a/3 - \sqrt{3}y)$$

obtain

- (a) m
- (b) the stresses at the corners and the centroid of the triangle.
- (c) the maximum magnitude of the shear stress and the position where it occurs
- (d) the expression for torsional rigidity C.
- 2. Find the maximum shearing stress and the rate of twist, α , of the bar having cross section as shown, when it is subjected to a torque of 600 N.m at its ends (G=77.5 MPa)
- 3. Consider a rectangular cross-section bar with sides a and b. Take the origin at the geometric center and consider the stress function

$$\phi = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi(x+a/2)}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi(y+b/2)}{b}$$

- (a) Obtain A_{mn} such that ϕ satisfies the Poisson equation for torsion. Verify that the BC's are satisfied.
- (b) Obtain the expression for the rate of twist (α) and the shear stresses in terms of the applied moment M.
- (c) Obtain the expression for the torsional rigidity.

- 4. Determine the allowable twisting moment for a maximum shear stress of 68950 kPa and calculate the resulting stresses in the various parts of the section.
- 5. The thin walled member is subjected to a torque *M*=113000 *Nm*. Determine the shear stresses in the various parts of the wall.
- 6. Obtain the finite difference solution for the twist rate (α) for the L shaped section shown by taking the mesh size h = a/2.

