## Mass moments of inertia:

The moments of inertia of solid figures are refined as "mass moment of inertia". It is denoted by  $(I_{max})$  or simply  $I_M$ .

**Problem 21:** A thin steel plate 4mm thick is cut and bent as shown in fig. If the density of the Steel is 7850  $kg/m^3$ , determine the mass moment of inertia of the plate with respect to the centroidal axes xx and yy.

## Solution:

Location of centre of gravity Divide the plate into three components

Due to symmetry,  $\bar{x}$ =8cm



Component 1: Rectangular plate,

$$\left(\frac{16}{100} \times \frac{20}{100} \times \frac{40}{100}\right) m$$

 $mass, m_1 = \rho tbd$ 

$$= 7850 \times \frac{4}{1000} \times \frac{16}{100} \times \frac{20}{100} = 1.005 \ kg$$
$$y_1 = \frac{10}{100} = 0.1 \ m$$

**Component 2:** Semi-circular plate,  $\frac{8}{100}m$  radius

mass, 
$$m_2 = \rho t \left(\frac{\pi r^2}{2}\right)$$

$$= 7850 \times \frac{4}{1000} \times \frac{\pi}{2} \times 0.08^{2} = 0.3157 \ kg$$
$$y_{2} = 0.2 + \frac{4 \times 0.08}{3\pi} = 0.234 \ m$$

Component3: Circular hole, 0.05m radius

$$mass, m_3 = \rho t \pi r^2$$
  
= 7850 ×  $\frac{4}{1000}$  ×  $\pi$  × 0.05<sup>2</sup>  
= 0.2466 kg  
 $y_3 = 0.1m$   
 $\bar{y} = \frac{m_1 y_1 + m_2 y_2 - m_3 y_3}{m_1 + m_2 - m_3} = 0.14m$ 

Mass moment of inertia about xx axis

$$(I_{XX})_{mass} = (I_1)_{mass} + (I_2)_{mass} - (I_3)_{mass}$$

From parallel axis theorem,

$$(I_1)_{mass} = (I_{G1})_{mass} + m_1 \bar{h}_1^2$$
  

$$= \frac{m_1 d_1^2}{12} + m_1 (\bar{y} - y_1)^2$$
  

$$= \left(\frac{1.005 \times (0.2)^2}{12}\right) + (1.005 \times (0.14 - 0.1)^2)$$
  

$$= 4.958 \times 10^{-3} kg.m^2$$
  

$$(I_2)_{mass} = (I_{G2})_{mass} + m_2 \bar{h}_2^2$$
  

$$= 0.2176 m_2 r^2 + m_2 (\bar{y} - y_2)^2$$
  

$$= 3.229 \times 10^{-3} kg.m^2$$
  

$$(I_3)_{mass} = (I_{G3})_{mass} + m_3 \bar{h}_3^2$$
  

$$= \frac{m_3 r^2}{4} + m_3 (\bar{y} - y_3)^2$$
  

$$= 5.486 \times 10^{-4} kg.m^2$$
  

$$\therefore (I_{XX})_{mass} = 7.6384 \times 10^{-3} kg.m^2$$

Mass moment of inertia about YY axis

$$(I_{YY})_{mass} = (I_1)_{mass} + (I_2)_{mass} - (I_3)_{mass}$$
$$= \frac{m_1 b^2}{12} + \frac{m_2 r^2}{4} - \frac{m_3 r^2}{4}$$
$$= 2.495 \times 10^{-3} kg.m^2$$