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Strength of Materials

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Stress and Strain

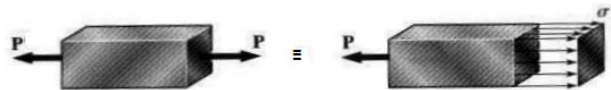
Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

1.1 Stress (σ)

When a material is subjected to an external force, a resisting force is set up within the component. The internal resistance force per unit area acting on a material or intensity of the forces distributed over a given section is called the stress at a point.

- It uses original cross section area of the specimen and also known as engineering stress or conventional stress.

Therefore, $\sigma = \frac{P}{A}$



- P is expressed in *Newton*(N) and A , original area, in square meters (m^2), the stress σ will be expressed in N/m^2 . This unit is called *Pascal* (Pa).
- As *Pascal* is a small quantity, in practice, multiples of this unit is used.

$$1 \text{ kPa} = 10^3 \text{ Pa} = 10^3 \text{ N/m}^2 \quad (\text{kPa} = \text{Kilo Pascal})$$

$$1 \text{ MPa} = 10^6 \text{ Pa} = 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2 = 1 \text{ N/mm}^2 \quad (\text{MPa} = \text{Mega Pascal})$$

$$1 \text{ GPa} = 10^9 \text{ Pa} = 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2 \quad (\text{GPa} = \text{Giga Pascal})$$

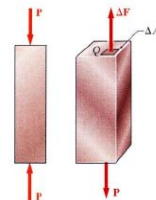
Let us take an example: A rod 10 mm \times 10 mm cross-section is carrying an axial tensile load 10 kN. In this rod the tensile stress developed is given by

$$(\sigma_t) = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{10 \text{ kN}}{(10 \text{ mm} \times 10 \text{ mm})} = \frac{10 \times 10^3 \text{ N}}{100 \text{ mm}^2} = 100 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 100 \text{ MPa}$$

- The resultant of the internal forces for an axially loaded member is normal to a section cut perpendicular to the member axis.

- The force intensity on the shown section is defined as the normal stress.

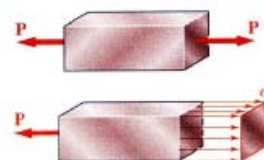
$$\sigma = \lim_{\Delta A \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta F}{\Delta A} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_{avg} = \frac{P}{A}$$



- Stresses are not vectors because they do not follow vector laws of addition. They are **Tensors**. Stress, Strain and Moment of Inertia are second order tensors.

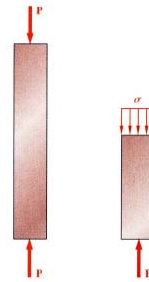
- Tensile stress (σ_t)**

If $\sigma > 0$ the stress is tensile. i.e. The fibres of the component tend to elongate due to the external force. A member subjected to an external force tensile P and tensile stress distribution due to the force is shown in the given figure.



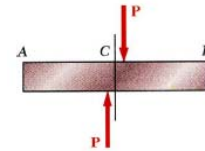
- **Compressive stress (σ_c)**

If $\sigma < 0$ the stress is compressive. i.e. The fibres of the component tend to shorten due to the external force. A member subjected to an external compressive force P and compressive stress distribution due to the force is shown in the given figure.

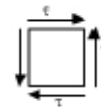


- **Shear stress (τ)**

When forces are transmitted from one part of a body to other, the stresses developed in a plane parallel to the applied force are the shear stress. **Shear stress acts parallel to plane of interest. Forces P is applied transversely to the member AB as shown. The corresponding internal forces act in the plane of section C and are called shearing**



forces. The corresponding average shear stress (τ) = $\frac{P}{Area}$



1.2 Strain (ϵ)

The displacement per unit length (*dimensionless*) is known as strain.

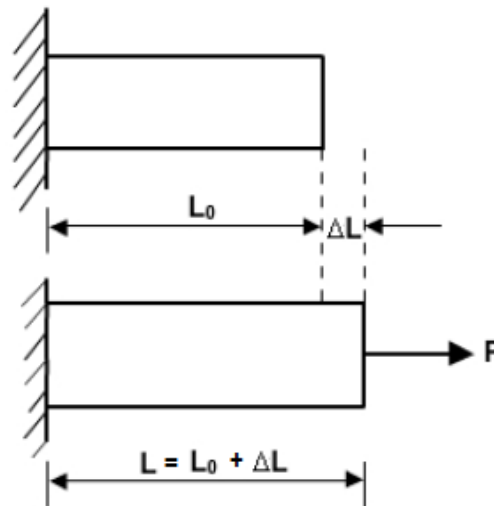
- **Tensile strain (ϵ_t)**

The elongation per unit length as shown in the figure is known as tensile strain.

$$\epsilon_t = \Delta L / L_0$$

It is engineering strain or conventional strain.

Here we divide the elongation to original length not actual length ($L_0 + \Delta L$)



Sometimes strain is expressed in microstrain. ($1 \mu\text{strain} = 10^{-6}$) eg. a strain of 0.001 = 1000 μstrain)

Let us take an example: A rod 100 mm in original length. When we apply an axial tensile load 10 kN the final length of the rod after application of the load is 100.1 mm. So in this rod tensile strain is developed and is given by

$$(\epsilon_t) = \frac{\Delta L}{L_0} = \frac{L - L_0}{L_0} = \frac{100.1 \text{ mm} - 100 \text{ mm}}{100 \text{ mm}} = \frac{0.1 \text{ mm}}{100 \text{ mm}} = 0.001 \text{ (Dimensionless) Tensile}$$

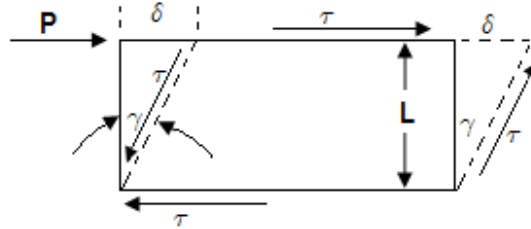
- **Compressive strain (ϵ_c)**

If the applied force is compressive then the reduction of length per unit length is known as compressive strain. It is negative. Then $\epsilon_c = (-\Delta L) / L_0$

Let us take an example: A rod 100 mm in original length. When we apply an axial compressive load 10 kN the final length of the rod after application of the load is 99 mm. So in this rod a compressive strain is developed and is given by

$$(\varepsilon_c) = \frac{\Delta L}{L_o} = \frac{L - L_o}{L_o} = \frac{99 \text{ mm} - 100 \text{ mm}}{100 \text{ mm}} = \frac{-1 \text{ mm}}{100 \text{ mm}} = -0.01 \text{ (Dimensionless) compressive}$$

- **Shear Strain (γ):** When a force P is applied tangentially to the element shown. Its edge displaced to dotted line. Where δ is the lateral displacement of the upper face



of the element relative to the lower face and L is the distance between these faces.

$$\text{Then the shear strain is } (\gamma) = \frac{\delta}{L}$$

Let us take an example: A block 100 mm \times 100 mm base and 10 mm height. When we apply a tangential force 10 kN to the upper edge it is displaced 1 mm relative to lower face.

Then the direct shear stress in the element

$$(\tau) = \frac{10 \text{ kN}}{100 \text{ mm} \times 100 \text{ mm}} = \frac{10 \times 10^3 \text{ N}}{100 \text{ mm} \times 100 \text{ mm}} = 1 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 1 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{And shear strain in the element } (\gamma) = \frac{1 \text{ mm}}{10 \text{ mm}} = 0.1 \text{ Dimensionless}$$

1.3 True stress and True Strain

The true stress is defined as the ratio of the load to the cross section area at any instant.

$$(\sigma_T) = \frac{\text{load}}{\text{Instantaneous area}} = \sigma (1 + \varepsilon)$$

Where σ and ε is the engineering stress and engineering strain respectively.

- **True strain**

$$(\varepsilon_T) = \int_{L_o}^L \frac{dl}{l} = \ln \left(\frac{L}{L_o} \right) = \ln(1 + \varepsilon) = \ln \left(\frac{A_o}{A} \right) = 2 \ln \left(\frac{d_o}{d} \right)$$

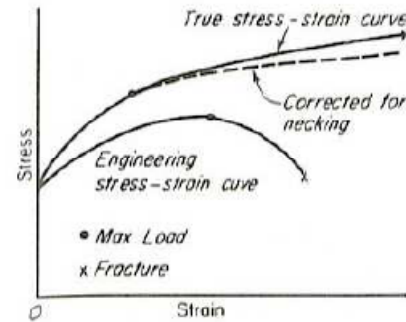
or engineering strain $(\varepsilon) = e^{\varepsilon_T} - 1$

The volume of the specimen is assumed to be constant during plastic deformation. [

$\therefore A_o L_o = AL$] It is valid till the neck formation.

- **Comparison of engineering and the true stress-strain curves shown below**

- The **true stress-strain curve** is also known as the **flow curve**.
- True stress-strain curve gives a true indication of deformation characteristics because it is **based on the instantaneous dimension** of the specimen.
- In engineering stress-strain curve, stress drops down after necking since it is based on the original area.



- In true stress-strain curve, the stress however increases after necking since the cross-sectional area of the specimen decreases rapidly after necking.
- The flow curve of many metals in the region of uniform plastic deformation can be expressed by the **simple power law**.

$$\sigma_T = K(\epsilon_T)^n$$

Where K is the strength coefficient

n is the strain hardening exponent

n = 0 perfectly plastic solid

n = 1 elastic solid

For most metals, $0.1 < n < 0.5$

- **Relation between the ultimate tensile strength and true stress at maximum load**

The ultimate tensile strength $(\sigma_u) = \frac{P_{\max}}{A_o}$

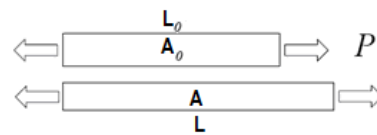
The true stress at maximum load $(\sigma_u)_T = \frac{P_{\max}}{A}$

And true strain at maximum load $(\epsilon)_T = \ln\left(\frac{A_o}{A}\right)$ or $\frac{A_o}{A} = e^{\epsilon_T}$

Eliminating P_{\max} we get, $(\sigma_u)_T = \frac{P_{\max}}{A} = \frac{P_{\max}}{A_o} \times \frac{A_o}{A} = \sigma_u e^{\epsilon_T}$

Where P_{\max} = maximum force and A_o = Original cross section area

A = Instantaneous cross section area



Let us take two examples:

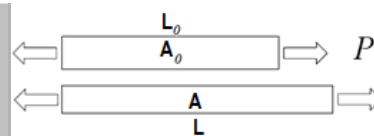
(I.) Only elongation no neck formation

In the tension test of a rod shown initially it was $A_o = 50 \text{ mm}^2$ and $L_o = 100 \text{ mm}$. After the application of load it's $A = 40 \text{ mm}^2$ and $L = 125 \text{ mm}$.

Determine the true strain using changes in both length and area.

Answer: First of all we have to check that does the member forms neck or not? For that check $A_o L_o = AL$ or not?

Here $50 \times 100 = 40 \times 125$ so no neck formation is there. Therefore true strain



*(If **no neck formation** occurs both area and gauge length can be used for a strain calculation.)*

$$(\epsilon_T) = \int_{L_0}^L \frac{dl}{l} = \ln\left(\frac{125}{100}\right) = 0.223$$

$$(\epsilon_T) = \ln\left(\frac{A_0}{A}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{50}{40}\right) = 0.223$$

(II.) Elongation with neck formation

A ductile material is tested such and necking occurs then the final gauge length is $L=140$ mm and the final minimum cross sectional area is $A = 35$ mm². Though the rod shown initially it was $A_0 = 50$ mm² and $L_0 = 100$ mm. Determine the true strain using changes in both length and area.

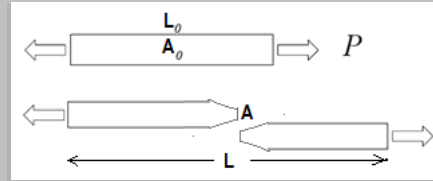
Answer: First of all we have to check that does the member forms neck or not? For that check $A_0 L_0 = AL$ or not?

Here $A_0 L_0 = 50 \times 100 = 5000$ mm³ and $AL = 35 \times 140 = 4900$ mm³. So neck formation is there. Note here $A_0 L_0 > AL$.

Therefore true strain

$$(\epsilon_T) = \ln\left(\frac{A_0}{A}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{50}{35}\right) = 0.357$$

But not $(\epsilon_T) = \int_{L_0}^L \frac{dl}{l} = \ln\left(\frac{140}{100}\right) = 0.336$ (it is wrong)



(After necking, gauge length gives error but area and diameter can be used for the calculation of true strain at fracture and before fracture also.)

1.4 Hook's law

According to Hook's law the stress is directly proportional to strain i.e. normal stress (σ) \propto normal strain (ϵ) and shearing stress (τ) \propto shearing strain (γ).

$$\sigma = E\epsilon \text{ and } \tau = G\gamma$$

The co-efficient E is called the **modulus of elasticity** i.e. its resistance to elastic strain. The co-efficient G is called the **shear modulus of elasticity** or **modulus of rigidity**.

1.6 Young's modulus or Modulus of elasticity (E) = $\frac{PL}{A\delta} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon}$

1.7 Modulus of rigidity or Shear modulus of elasticity (G) = $\frac{\tau}{\gamma} = \frac{PL}{A\delta}$

1.8 Bulk Modulus or Volume modulus of elasticity (K) = $-\frac{\Delta p}{\frac{\Delta v}{v}} = \frac{\Delta p}{\frac{\Delta R}{R}}$

1.10 Relationship between the elastic constants E, G, K, μ

$$E = 2G(1 + \mu) = 3K(1 - 2\mu) = \frac{9KG}{3K + G} \quad [\text{VIMP}]$$

Where K = Bulk Modulus, μ = Poisson's Ratio, E = Young's modulus, G = Modulus of rigidity

- For a linearly elastic, isotropic and homogeneous material, the number of elastic constants required to relate stress and strain is two. i.e. any two of the four must be known.
- If the material is non-isotropic (i.e. **anisotropic**), then the elastic moduli will vary with additional stresses appearing since there is a coupling between shear stresses and normal stresses for an anisotropic material. There are 21 independent elastic constants for anisotropic materials.
- If there are axes of symmetry in 3 perpendicular directions, material is called **orthotropic** materials. An orthotropic material has 9 independent elastic constants.

Let us take an example: The modulus of elasticity and rigidity of a material are 200 GPa and 80 GPa, respectively. Find all other elastic modulus.

Answer: Using the relation $E = 2G(1 + \mu) = 3K(1 - 2\mu) = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}$ we may find all other elastic modulus easily

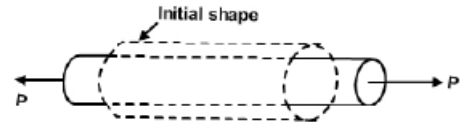
$$\text{Poisson's Ratio } (\mu): \quad 1 + \mu = \frac{E}{2G} \quad \Rightarrow \mu = \frac{E}{2G} - 1 = \frac{200}{2 \times 80} - 1 = 0.25$$

$$\text{Bulk Modulus (K)}: \quad 3K = \frac{E}{1 - 2\mu} \quad \Rightarrow K = \frac{E}{3(1 - 2\mu)} = \frac{200}{3(1 - 2 \times 0.25)} = 133.33 \text{ GPa}$$

1.11 Poisson's Ratio (μ)

$$= \frac{\text{Transverse strain or lateral strain}}{\text{Longitudinal strain}} = \frac{-\epsilon_y}{\epsilon_x}$$

(Under unidirectional stress in x-direction)



- The theory of isotropic elasticity allows Poisson's ratios in the range from -1 to 1/2.
- We use cork in a bottle as the cork easily inserted and removed, yet it also withstand the pressure from within the bottle. Cork with a Poisson's ratio of nearly zero, is ideal in this application.
- If a piece of material neither expands nor contracts in volume when subjected to stress, then the Poisson's ratio must be 1/2
- Poisson's ratio in various materials

Material	Poisson's ratio	Material	Poisson's ratio
Steel	0.25 – 0.33	Rubber	0.48 – 0.5
C.I	0.23 – 0.27	Cork	Nearly zero
Concrete	0.2	Novel foam	negative

1.12 For bi-axial stretching of sheet

$$\epsilon_1 = \ln \left(\frac{L_{f1}}{L_{o1}} \right) \quad L_o - \text{Original length}$$

$$\epsilon_2 = \ln \left(\frac{L_{f2}}{L_{o2}} \right) \quad L_f - \text{Final length}$$

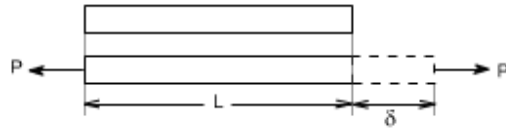
$$\text{Final thickness } (t_f) = \frac{\text{Initial thickness } (t_o)}{e^{\epsilon_1} \times e^{\epsilon_2}}$$

1.13 Elongation

- **A prismatic bar loaded in tension by an axial force P**

For a prismatic bar loaded in tension by an axial force P. The elongation of the bar can be determined as

$$\delta = \frac{PL}{AE}$$



Let us take an example: A Mild Steel wire 5 mm in diameter and 1 m long. If the wire is subjected to an axial tensile load 10 kN find its extension of the rod. ($E = 200 \text{ GPa}$)

Answer: We know that $(\delta) = \frac{PL}{AE}$

Here given, Force (P) = 10 kN = $10 \times 1000 \text{ N}$

Length (L) = 1 m

$$\text{Area } (A) = \frac{\pi d^2}{4} = \frac{\pi \times (0.005)^2}{4} \text{ m}^2 = 1.963 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$$

Modulus of Elasticity (E) = 200 GPa = $200 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore Elongation } (\delta) &= \frac{PL}{AE} = \frac{(10 \times 1000) \times 1}{(1.963 \times 10^{-5}) \times (200 \times 10^9)} \text{ m} \\ &= 2.55 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} = 2.55 \text{ mm} \end{aligned}$$

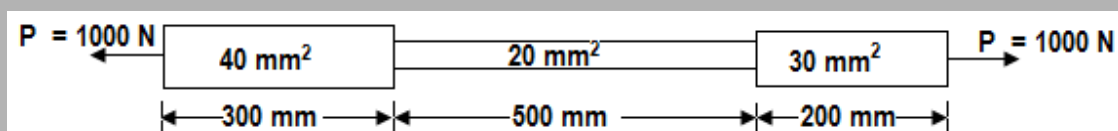
- **Elongation of composite body**

Elongation of a bar of varying cross section A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n of lengths l_1, l_2, \dots, l_n respectively.

$$\delta = \frac{P}{E} \left[\frac{l_1}{A_1} + \frac{l_2}{A_2} + \frac{l_3}{A_3} + \dots + \frac{l_n}{A_n} \right]$$

Let us take an example: A composite rod is 1000 mm long, its two ends are 40 mm^2 and 30 mm^2 in area and length are 300 mm and 200 mm respectively. The middle portion of the rod is 20 mm^2 in area and 500 mm long. If the rod is subjected to an axial tensile load of 1000 N, find its total elongation. ($E = 200 \text{ GPa}$).

Answer: Consider the following figure



Given, Load (P) = 1000 N

Area; (A_1) = 40 mm², A_2 = 20 mm², A_3 = 30 mm²

Length; (l_1) = 300 mm, l_2 = 500 mm, l_3 = 200 mm

E = 200 GPa = 200×10^9 N/m² = 200×10^3 N/mm²

Therefore Total extension of the rod

$$\delta = \frac{P}{E} \left[\frac{l_1}{A_1} + \frac{l_2}{A_2} + \frac{l_3}{A_3} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1000 \text{ N}}{200 \times 10^3 \text{ N/mm}^2} \times \left[\frac{300 \text{ mm}}{40 \text{ mm}^2} + \frac{500 \text{ mm}}{20 \text{ mm}^2} + \frac{200 \text{ mm}}{30 \text{ mm}^2} \right]$$

$$= 0.196 \text{ mm}$$

• Elongation of a tapered body

Elongation of a tapering rod of length 'L' due to load 'P' at the end

$$\delta = \frac{4PL}{\pi E d_1 d_2} \quad (d_1 \text{ and } d_2 \text{ are the diameters of smaller \& larger ends})$$

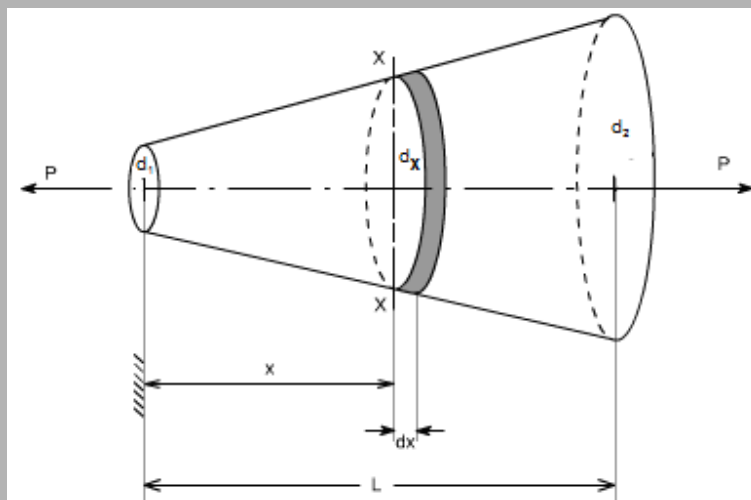
You may remember this in this way, $\delta = \frac{PL}{E \left(\frac{\pi}{4} d_1 d_2 \right)} \text{ i.e. } \frac{PL}{EA_{eq}}$

Let us take an example: A round bar, of length L, tapers uniformly from small diameter d_1 at one end to bigger diameter d_2 at the other end. Show that the extension produced by a tensile axial load P is

$$(\delta) = \frac{4PL}{\pi d_1 d_2 E}$$

If $d_2 = 2d_1$, compare this extension with that of a uniform cylindrical bar having a diameter equal to the mean diameter of the tapered bar.

Answer: Consider the figure below d_1 be the radius at the smaller end. Then at a X cross section XX located at a distance x from the smaller end, the value of diameter ' d_x ' is equal to



$$\frac{d_x}{2} = \frac{d_1}{2} + \frac{x}{L} \left(\frac{d_2}{2} - \frac{d_1}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{or } d_x = d_1 + \frac{x}{L} (d_2 - d_1)$$

$$= d_1 (1 + kx) \quad \text{Where } k = \frac{d_2 - d_1}{L} \times \frac{1}{d_1}$$

We now taking a small strip of diameter ' d_x ' and length ' d_x ' at section XX .

Elongation of this section ' d_x ' length

$$d(\delta) = \frac{PL}{AE} = \frac{P \cdot dx}{\left(\frac{\pi d_x^2}{4} \right) \times E} = \frac{4P \cdot dx}{\pi \cdot \{d_1 (1 + kx)\}^2 E}$$

Therefore total elongation of the taper bar

$$\begin{aligned} \delta = \int d(\delta) &= \int_{x=0}^{x=L} \frac{4P \, dx}{\pi E d_1^2 (1 + kx)^2} \\ &= \frac{4PL}{\pi E d_1 d_2} \end{aligned}$$

Comparison: Case-I: Where $d_2 = 2d_1$

$$\text{Elongation } (\delta_I) = \frac{4PL}{\pi E d_1 \times 2d_1} = \frac{2PL}{\pi E d_1^2}$$

Case -II: Where we use Mean diameter

$$d_m = \frac{d_1 + d_2}{2} = \frac{d_1 + 2d_1}{2} = \frac{3}{2} d_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Elongation of such bar } (\delta_{II}) &= \frac{PL}{AE} = \frac{P \cdot L}{\frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{3}{2} d_1 \right)^2 \cdot E} \\ &= \frac{16PL}{9\pi E d_1^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\text{Extension of taper bar}}{\text{Extension of uniform bar}} = \frac{2}{\frac{16}{9}} = \frac{9}{8}$$

- **Elongation of a body due to its self weight**

(i) Elongation of a uniform rod of length ' L ' due to its own weight ' W '

$$\delta = \frac{WL}{2AE}$$

The deformation of a bar under its own weight as compared to that when subjected to a direct axial load equal to its own weight **will be half**.

(ii) Total extension produced in rod of length ' L ' due to its own weight ' ω ' per unit

length.
$$\delta = \frac{\omega L^2}{2EA}$$

(iii) Elongation of a conical bar due to its self weight

$$\delta = \frac{\rho g L^2}{6E} = \frac{WL}{2A_{\max} E}$$

1.14 Structural members or machines must be designed such that the working stresses are less than the ultimate strength of the material.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Working stress } (\sigma_w) &= \frac{\sigma_y}{n} \quad n=1.5 \text{ to } 2 \\ &= \frac{\sigma_{ult}}{n_1} \quad n_1 = 2 \text{ to } 3 \\ &= \frac{\sigma_p}{n} \quad \sigma_p = \text{Proof stress} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{factor of safety}$$

1.15 Factor of Safety: $(n) = \frac{\sigma_y \text{ or } \sigma_p \text{ or } \sigma_{ult}}{\sigma_w}$

1.16 Thermal or Temperature stress and strain

- When a material undergoes a change in temperature, it either elongates or contracts depending upon whether temperature is increased or decreased of the material.
- If the elongation or contraction is *not restricted*, i. e. *free* then the material does not experience *any stress despite the fact that it undergoes a strain*.
- The strain due to temperature change is called *thermal strain* and is expressed as,

$$\varepsilon = \alpha (\Delta T)$$

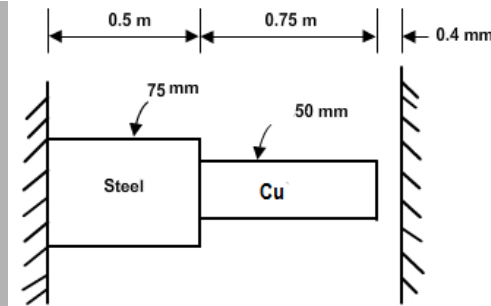
- Where α is co-efficient of thermal expansion, a material property, and ΔT is the change in temperature.
- The free expansion or contraction of materials, when restrained induces stress in the material and it is referred to as *thermal stress*.

$$\sigma_t = \alpha E (\Delta T)$$

Where, E = Modulus of elasticity

- Thermal stress produces the same effect in the material similar to that of mechanical stress. A compressive stress will produce in the material with increase in temperature and the stress developed is tensile stress with decrease in temperature.

Let us take an example: A rod consists of two parts that are made of steel and copper as shown in figure below. The elastic modulus and coefficient of thermal expansion for steel are 200 GPa and 11.7×10^{-6} per °C respectively and for copper 70 GPa and 21.6×10^{-6} per °C respectively. If the temperature of the rod is raised by 50°C, determine the forces and stresses acting on the rod.



Answer: If we allow this rod to freely expand then free expansion

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_T &= \alpha(\Delta T)L \\ &= (11.7 \times 10^{-6}) \times 50 \times 500 + (21.6 \times 10^{-6}) \times 50 \times 750 \\ &= 1.1025 \text{ mm (Compressive)}\end{aligned}$$

But according to diagram only free expansion is 0.4 mm.

Therefore restrained deflection of rod = 1.1025 mm – 0.4 mm = 0.7025 mm

Let us assume the force required to make their elongation vanish be P which is the reaction force at the ends.

$$\begin{aligned}\delta &= \left(\frac{PL}{AE} \right)_{\text{Steel}} + \left(\frac{PL}{AE} \right)_{\text{Cu}} \\ \text{or } 0.7025 &= \frac{P \times 500}{\left\{ \frac{\pi}{4} \times (0.075)^2 \right\} \times (200 \times 10^9)} + \frac{P \times 750}{\left\{ \frac{\pi}{4} \times (0.050)^2 \right\} \times (70 \times 10^9)} \\ \text{or } P &= 116.6 \text{ kN}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, compressive stress on steel rod

$$\sigma_{\text{Steel}} = \frac{P}{A_{\text{Steel}}} = \frac{116.6 \times 10^3}{\frac{\pi}{4} \times (0.075)^2} \text{ N/m}^2 = 26.39 \text{ MPa}$$

And compressive stress on copper rod

$$\sigma_{\text{Cu}} = \frac{P}{A_{\text{Cu}}} = \frac{116.6 \times 10^3}{\frac{\pi}{4} \times (0.050)^2} \text{ N/m}^2 = 59.38 \text{ MPa}$$

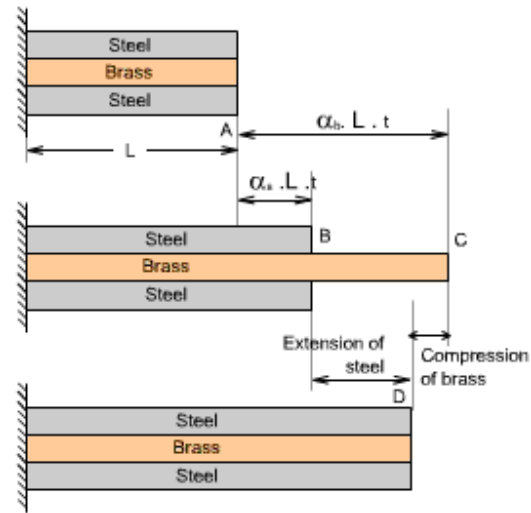
1.17 Thermal stress on Brass and Mild steel combination

A brass rod placed within a steel tube of exactly same length. The assembly is making in such a way that elongation of the combination will be same. To calculate the stress induced in the brass rod, steel tube when the combination is raised by $t^\circ\text{C}$ then the following analogy have to do.

(a) Original bar before heating.

(b) Expanded position if the members are allowed to expand freely and independently after heating.

(c) Expanded position of the compound bar i.e. final position after heating.



- Compatibility Equation:

$$\delta = \delta_{st} + \delta_{sf} = \delta_{Bt} - \delta_{Bf}$$

- Equilibrium Equation:

$$\sigma_s A_s = \sigma_B A_B$$

Assumption:

$$1. L = L_s = L_B$$

$$2. \alpha_b > \alpha_s$$

3. Steel – Tension

Brass – Compression

Where, δ = Expansion of the compound bar = AD in the above figure.

δ_{st} = Free expansion of the steel tube due to temperature rise $t^\circ\text{C} = \alpha_s L t$

= AB in the above figure.

δ_{sf} = Expansion of the steel tube due to internal force developed by the unequal expansion.

= BD in the above figure.

δ_{Bt} = Free expansion of the brass rod due to temperature rise $t^\circ\text{C} = \alpha_b L t$

= AC in the above figure.

δ_{Bf} = Compression of the brass rod due to internal force developed by the unequal expansion.

= BD in the above figure.

And in the equilibrium equation

Tensile force in the steel tube = Compressive force in the brass rod

Where, σ_s = Tensile stress developed in the steel tube.

σ_B = Compressive stress developed in the brass rod.

A_s = Cross section area of the steel tube.

A_B = Cross section area of the brass rod.

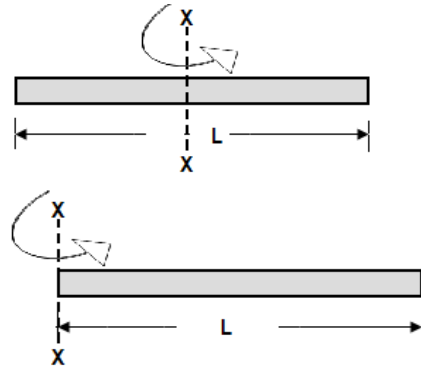
Let us take an example: See the Conventional Question Answer section of this chapter and the question is “*Conventional Question IES-2008*” and it’s answer.

1.18 Maximum stress and elongation due to rotation

$$(i) \sigma_{\max} = \frac{\rho \omega^2 L^2}{8} \text{ and } (\delta L) = \frac{\rho \omega^2 L^3}{12E}$$

$$(ii) \sigma_{\max} = \frac{\rho \omega^2 L^2}{2} \text{ and } (\delta L) = \frac{\rho \omega^2 L^3}{3E}$$

For remember: You will get (ii) by multiplying by 4 of (i)



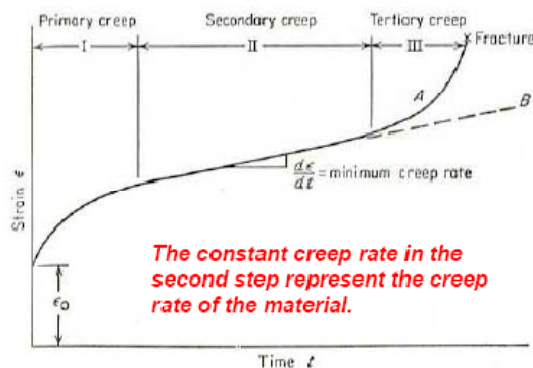
1.18 Creep

When a member is subjected to a constant load over a long period of time it undergoes a slow permanent deformation and this is termed as “creep”. This is dependent on temperature. Usually at elevated temperatures creep is high.

- The materials have its own different melting point; each will creep when the homologous temperature > 0.5 . Homologous temp = $\frac{\text{Testing temperature}}{\text{Melting temperature}} > 0.5$

A typical creep curve shows three distinct stages with different creep rates. After an initial rapid elongation ϵ_0 , the creep rate decrease with time until reaching the steady state.

- Primary creep** is a period of transient creep. The creep resistance of the material increases due to material deformation.
- Secondary creep** provides a nearly constant creep rate. The average value of the creep rate during this period is called the minimum creep rate. A stage of balance between competing.



Strain hardening and **recovery** (softening) of the material.

- Tertiary creep** shows a rapid increase in the creep rate due to effectively reduced cross-sectional area of the specimen leading to *creep rupture* or failure. In this stage *intergranular* cracking and/or formation of voids and cavities occur.

$$\text{Creep rate} = c_1 \sigma^{c_2}$$

$$\text{Creep strain at any time} = \text{zero time strain intercept} + \text{creep rate} \times \text{Time}$$

$$= \epsilon_0 + c_1 \sigma^{c_2} \times t$$

Where, c_1, c_2 are constants $\sigma = \text{stress}$

1.19 Fatigue

When material is subjected to repeated stress, it fails at stress below the yield point stress. This failure is known as fatigue. Fatigue failure is caused by means of a progressive crack formation which are usually fine and of microscopic. Endurance limit is used for reversed bending only while for other types of loading, the term endurance strength may be used when referring the fatigue strength of the material. It may be defined as the safe maximum stress which can be applied to the machine part working under actual conditions.

1.20 Stress produced by a load P in falling from height 'h'

$$\sigma_d = \sigma \left[1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{2h}{\epsilon L}} \right]$$

ϵ being stress & strain produced by static load P & L=length of bar.

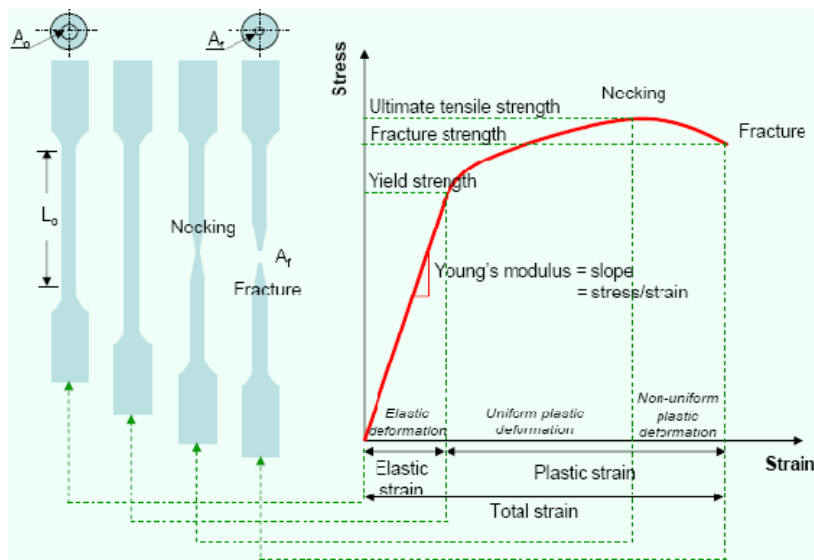
$$= \frac{P}{A} \left[1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{2AEh}{PL}} \right]$$

If a load P is applied suddenly to a bar then the stress & strain induced will be **double** than those obtained by an equal load applied gradually.

1.21 Loads shared by the materials of a compound bar made of bars x & y due to load W,

$$P_x = W \cdot \frac{A_x E_x}{A_x E_x + A_y E_y}$$

$$P_y = W \cdot \frac{A_y E_y}{A_x E_x + A_y E_y}$$

1.22 Elongation of a compound bar, $\delta = \frac{PL}{A_x E_x + A_y E_y}$ **1.23 Tension Test**

- i) **True elastic limit:** based on micro-strain measurement at strains on order of 2×10^{-6} . Very low value and is related to the motion of a few hundred dislocations.
- ii) **Proportional limit:** the highest stress at which stress is directly proportional to strain.
- iii) **Elastic limit:** is the greatest stress the material can withstand without any measurable permanent strain after unloading. Elastic limit > proportional limit.
- iv) **Yield strength** is the stress required to produce a small specific amount of deformation. The offset yield strength can be determined by the stress corresponding to the intersection of the stress-strain curve and a line parallel to the elastic line offset by a strain of 0.2 or 0.1%. ($\epsilon = 0.002$ or 0.001).

- The offset yield stress is referred to proof stress either at 0.1 or 0.5% strain used for design and specification purposes to avoid the practical difficulties of measuring the elastic limit or proportional limit.

v) **Tensile strength or ultimate tensile strength (UTS)** σ_u is the maximum load P_{\max} divided by the original cross-sectional area A_o of the specimen.

vi) **% Elongation**, $= \frac{L_f - L_o}{L_o}$, is chiefly influenced by uniform elongation, which is dependent on the strain-hardening capacity of the material.

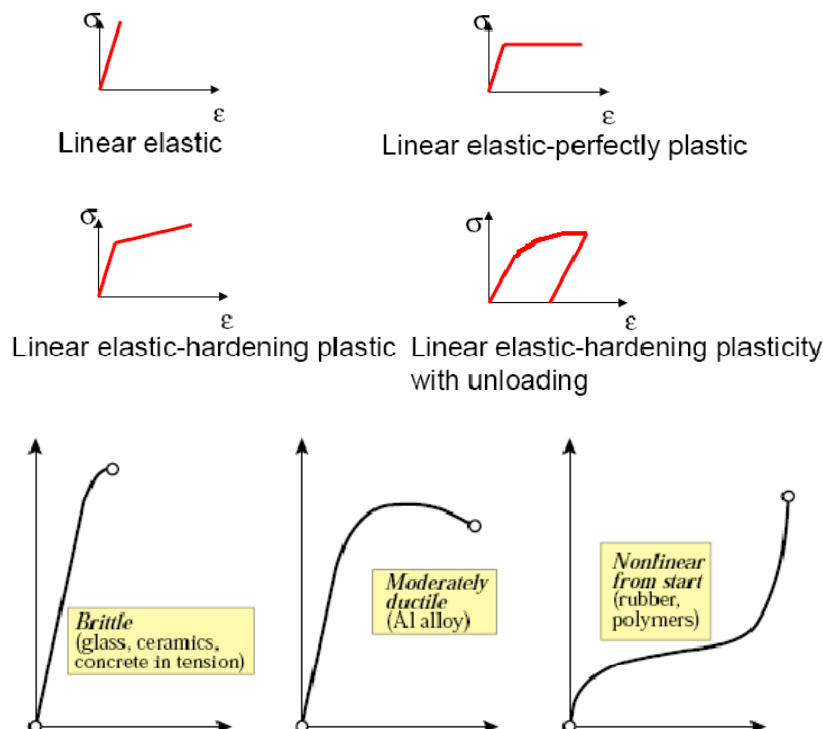
vii) **Reduction of Area:** $q = \frac{A_o - A_f}{A_o}$

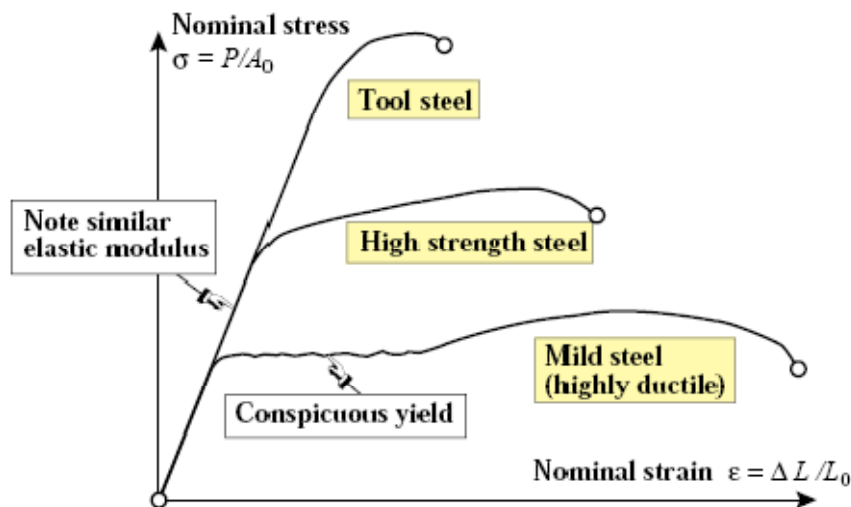
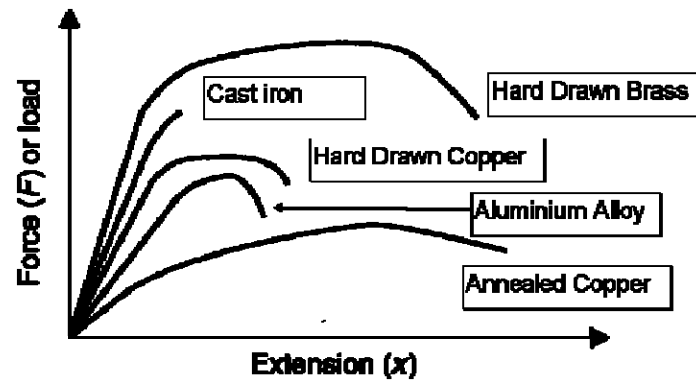
- Reduction of area is more a measure of the deformation required to produce failure and its chief contribution results from the necking process.
- Because of the complicated state of stress state in the neck, values of reduction of area are dependent on specimen geometry, and deformation behaviour, and they should not be taken as true material properties.
- RA is the most structure-sensitive ductility parameter and is useful in detecting quality changes in the materials.

viii) Modulus of Elasticity or Young's Modulus

- It is slope of elastic line upto proportional limit.

ix) Stress-strain response





• Characteristics of Ductile Materials

1. The strain at failure is, $\epsilon \geq 0.05$, or percent elongation greater than five percent.
2. Ductile materials typically have a well defined yield point. The value of the stress at the yield point defines the yield strength, σ_y .
3. For typical ductile materials, the yield strength has approximately the same value for tensile and compressive loading ($\sigma_{yt} \approx \sigma_{yc} \approx \sigma_y$).
4. A single tensile test is sufficient to characterize the material behavior of a ductile material, σ_y and σ_{ult} .

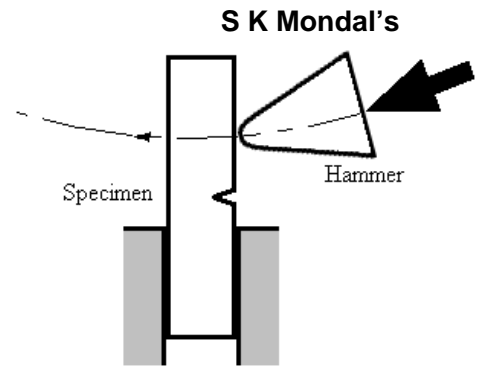
• Characteristics of Brittle Materials

1. The strain at failure is, $\epsilon \leq 0.05$ or percent elongation less than five percent.
2. Brittle materials *do not* exhibit an identifiable yield point; rather, they fail by brittle fracture. The value of the largest stress in tension and compression defines the ultimate strength, σ_{ut} and σ_{uc} respectively.
3. The compressive strength of a typical brittle material is significantly higher than its tensile strength, ($\sigma_{uc} \gg \sigma_{ut}$).
4. Two material tests, a tensile test and a compressive test, are required to characterize the material behavior of a brittle material, σ_{ut} and σ_{uc} .

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1.24 Izod Impact Test

The Notched Izod impact test is a technique to obtain a measure of toughness. It measures the energy required to fracture a notched specimen at relatively high rate bending conditions. The apparatus for the Izod impact test is shown in Figure. A pendulum with adjustable weight is released from a known height; a rounded point on the tip of the pendulum makes contact with a notched specimen 22mm above the center of the notch.



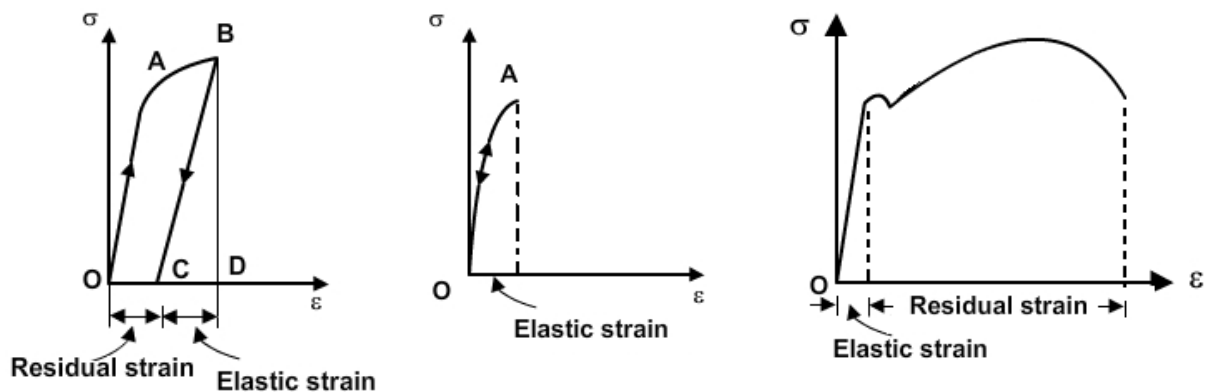
1.25 Elastic strain and Plastic strain

The strain present in the material after unloading is called the **residual strain or plastic strain** and the strain disappears during unloading is termed as **recoverable or elastic strain**.

Equation of the straight line CB is given by

$$\sigma = \epsilon_{total} \times E - \epsilon_{Plastic} \times E = \epsilon_{Elastic} \times E$$

Carefully observe the following figures and understand which one is Elastic strain and which one is Plastic strain



Let us take an example: A 10 mm diameter tensile specimen has a 50 mm gauge length. The load corresponding to the 0.2% offset is 55 kN and the maximum load is 70 kN. Fracture occurs at 60 kN. The diameter after fracture is 8 mm and the gauge length at fracture is 65 mm. Calculate the following properties of the material from the tension test.

- % Elongation
- Reduction of Area (RA) %
- Tensile strength or ultimate tensile strength (UTS)
- Yield strength
- Fracture strength
- If $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$, the elastic recoverable strain at maximum load
- If the elongation at maximum load (the uniform elongation) is 20%, what is the plastic strain at maximum load?

Answer: Given, Original area (A_0) = $\frac{\pi}{4} \times (0.010)^2 \text{ m}^2 = 7.854 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$

$$\text{Area at fracture } (A_f) = \frac{\pi}{4} \times (0.008)^2 \text{ m}^2 = 5.027 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$$

Original gauge length (L_0) = 50 mm

Gauge length at fracture (L) = 65 mm

Therefore

$$(i) \% \text{ Elongation} = \frac{L - L_0}{L_0} \times 100\% = \frac{65 - 50}{50} \times 100 = 30\%$$

$$(ii) \text{ Reduction of area (RA) } = q = \frac{A_0 - A_f}{A_0} \times 100\% = \frac{7.854 - 5.027}{7.854} \times 100\% = 36\%$$

$$(iii) \text{ Tensile strength or Ultimate tensile strength (UTS), } \sigma_u = \frac{P_{max}}{A_0} = \frac{70 \times 10^3}{7.854 \times 10^{-5}} \text{ N/m}^2 = 891 \text{ MPa}$$

$$(iv) \text{ Yield strength } (\sigma_y) = \frac{P_y}{A_0} = \frac{55 \times 10^3}{7.854 \times 10^{-5}} \text{ N/m}^2 = 700 \text{ MPa}$$

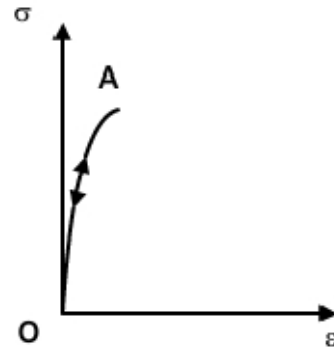
$$(v) \text{ Fracture strength } (\sigma_f) = \frac{P_{fracture}}{A_0} = \frac{60 \times 10^3}{7.854 \times 10^{-5}} \text{ N/m}^2 = 764 \text{ MPa}$$

$$(vi) \text{ Elastic recoverable strain at maximum load } (\varepsilon_E) = \frac{P_{max} / A_0}{E} = \frac{891 \times 10^6}{200 \times 10^9} = 0.0045$$

$$(vii) \text{ Plastic strain } (\varepsilon_p) = \varepsilon_{total} - \varepsilon_E = 0.2000 - 0.0045 = 0.1955$$

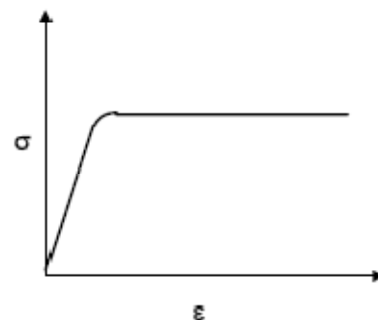
1.26 Elasticity

This is the property of a material to regain its original shape after deformation when the external forces are removed. When the material is in elastic region the strain disappears completely after removal of the load. The stress-strain relationship in elastic region need not be linear and can be non-linear (example rubber). The maximum stress value below which the strain is fully recoverable is called the *elastic limit*. It is represented by point A in figure. All materials are elastic to some extent but the degree varies, for example, both mild steel and rubber are elastic materials but steel is more elastic than rubber.



1.27 Plasticity

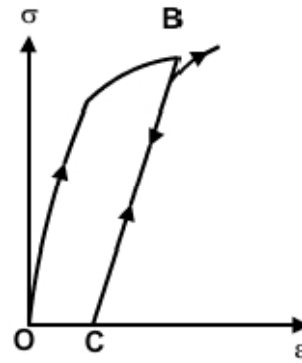
When the stress in the material exceeds the elastic limit, the material enters into plastic phase where the strain can no longer be completely removed. Under plastic conditions materials ideally deform without any increase in stress. A typical stress strain diagram for an elastic-perfectly plastic material is shown in the figure. Mises-Henky criterion gives a good starting point for plasticity analysis.



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1.28 Strain hardening

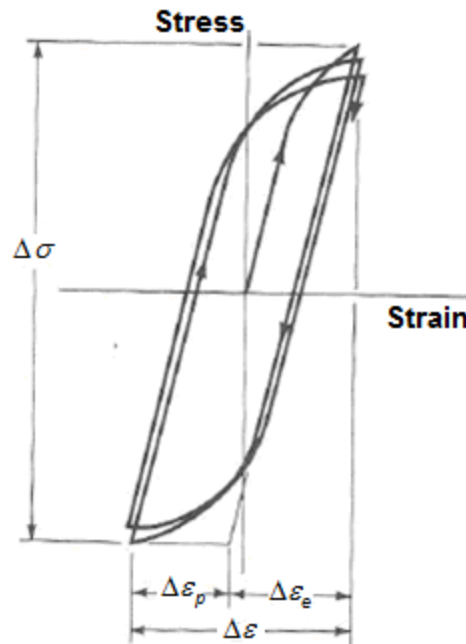
If the material is reloaded from point C, it will follow the previous unloading path and line CB becomes its new elastic region with elastic limit defined by point B. Though the new elastic region CB resembles that of the initial elastic region OA, the internal structure of the material in the new state has changed. The change in the microstructure of the material is clear from the fact that the ductility of the material has come down due to strain hardening. When the material is reloaded, it follows the same path as that of a virgin material and fails on reaching the ultimate strength which remains unaltered due to the intermediate loading and unloading process.



1.29 Stress reversal and stress-strain hysteresis loop

We know that fatigue failure begins at a local discontinuity and when the stress at the discontinuity exceeds elastic limit there is plastic strain. The cyclic plastic strain results crack propagation and fracture.

When we plot the experimental data with reversed loading which can induce plastic stress and the true stress strain hysteresis loops is found as shown below.



True stress-strain plot with a number of stress reversals

The area of the hysteresis loop gives the energy dissipation per unit volume of the material, per stress cycle. This is termed the per unit volume damping capacity.

Due to cyclic strain the elastic limit increases for annealed steel and decreases for cold drawn steel.

Here the stress range is $\Delta\sigma$. $\Delta\epsilon_p$ and $\Delta\epsilon_e$ are the plastic and elastic strain ranges, the total strain range being $\Delta\epsilon$. Considering that the total strain amplitude can be given as

$$\Delta\epsilon = \Delta\epsilon_p + \Delta\epsilon_e$$

Bauschinger Effect

- In most materials, plastic deformation in one direction will affect subsequent plastic response in another direction. For example, a material that is pulled in tension shows a reduction in compressive strength.
- It depends on yield stress on loading path and direction.
- The basic mechanism for the Bauschinger effect is related to the dislocation structure in the cold worked metal. As deformation occurs, the dislocations will accumulate at barriers and produce dislocation pile-ups and tangles.
- It is a general phenomenon found in most polycrystalline metals.

1.30 Bolts of uniform strength

Diameter of the shank of the bolt is equal to the core diameter of the thread. Stress in the shank will be more and maximum energy will be absorbed by shank.

1.31 Beam of uniform strength

It is one in which the maximum bending stress is same in every section along the longitudinal axis.

For it $M \propto bh^2$

Where b = Width of beam

h = Height of beam

To make Beam of uniform strength the section of the beam may be varied by

- Keeping the width constant throughout the length and varying the depth, (*Most widely used*)
- Keeping the depth constant throughout the length and varying the width
- By varying both width and depth suitably.

1.32 Pretensioned bolts or Preloaded bolts

Benefits

- Rigidity of joints (no slip in service)
- No loosening of bolts due to vibrations
- Better fatigue performance
- Tolerance for fabrication/erection (because of the use of clearance holes)

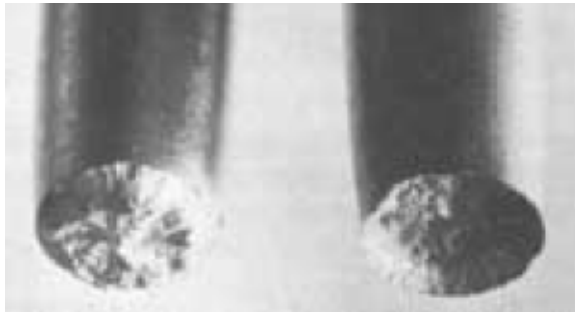
Disadvantages

- Difficulty of ensuring that all bolts are adequately pre-loaded
- In double cover connections, small differences in ply thickness in plates of nominally the same thickness can result in the preload from bolts near the centre of joint being applied to the wrong side of the joint.

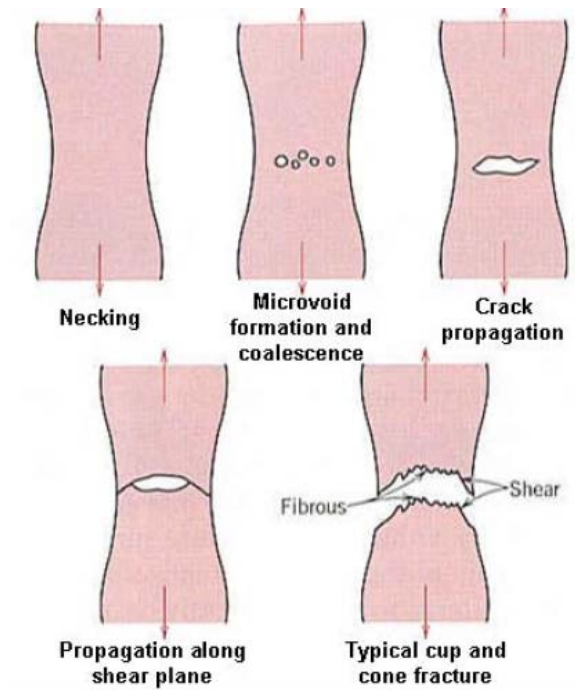
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1.33 Fracture

Tension Test of Ductile Material



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OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

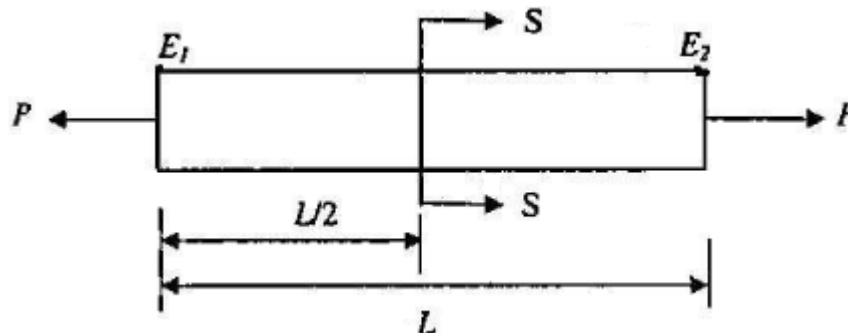
Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Stress in a bar

GATE-1. Two identical circular rods of same diameter and same length are subjected to same magnitude of axial tensile force. One of the rods is made out of mild steel having the modulus of elasticity of 206 GPa. The other rod is made out of cast iron having the modulus of elasticity of 100 GPa. Assume both the materials to be homogeneous and isotropic and the axial force causes the same amount of uniform stress in both the rods. The stresses developed are within the proportional limit of the respective materials. Which of the following observations is correct? [GATE-2003]

- (a) Both rods elongate by the same amount
- (b) Mild steel rod elongates more than the cast iron rod
- (c) Cast iron rod elongates more than the mild steel rod
- (d) As the stresses are equal strains are also equal in both the rods

GATE-1(i). A rod of length L having uniform cross-sectional area A is subjected to a tensile force P as shown in the figure below. If the Young's modulus of the material varies linearly from E_1 to E_2 along the length of the rod, the normal stress developed at the section-SS is [GATE-2013]



- (a) $\frac{P}{A}$ (b) $\frac{P(E_1 - E_2)}{A(E_1 + E_2)}$ (c) $\frac{PE_2}{AE_1}$ (d) $\frac{PE_1}{AE_2}$

GATE-2. A steel bar of 40 mm × 40 mm square cross-section is subjected to an axial compressive load of 200 kN. If the length of the bar is 2 m and $E = 200$ GPa, the elongation of the bar will be: [GATE-2006]

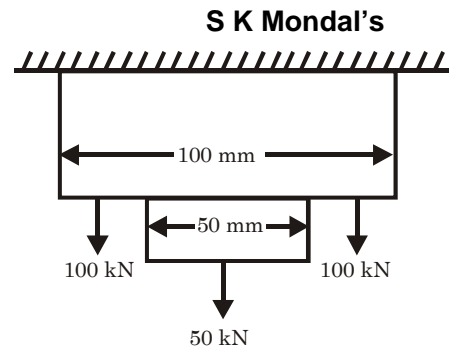
- (a) 1.25 mm
- (b) 2.70 mm
- (c) 4.05 mm
- (d) 5.40 mm

GATE-2a. A 300 mm long copper wire of uniform cross-section is pulled in tension so that a maximum tensile stress of 270 MPa is developed within the wire. The entire deformation of the wire remains linearly elastic. The elastic modulus of copper is 100 GPa. The resultant elongation (in mm) is _____. [PI: GATE-2006]

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GATE-2b. A bar of varying square cross-section is loaded symmetrically as shown in the figure. Loads shown are placed on one of the axes of symmetry of cross-section. Ignoring self weight, the maximum tensile stress in N/mm^2 anywhere is

- (a) 16.0 (b) 20.0
(c) 25.0 (d) 30.0

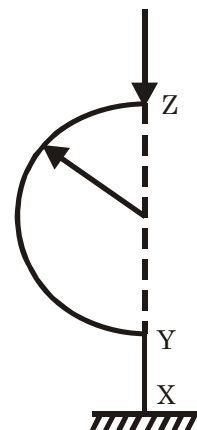


[CE: GATE-2003]

GATE-2c. A curved member with a straight vertical leg is carrying a vertical load at Z. As shown in the figure.

The stress resultants in the XY segment are

- (a) bending moment, shear force and axial force
(b) bending moment and axial force only
(c) bending moment and shear force only
(d) axial force only



[CE: GATE-2003]

GATE-2d. A metallic rod of 500 mm length and 50 mm diameter, when subjected to a tensile force of 100 kN at the ends, experiences an increase in its length by 0.5 mm and a reduction in its diameter by 0.015 mm. The Poisson's ratio of the rod material is

[GATE-2014]

True stress and true strain

GATE-3. The ultimate tensile strength of a material is 400 MPa and the elongation up to maximum load is 35%. If the material obeys power law of hardening, then the true stress-true strain relation (stress in MPa) in the plastic deformation range is:

- (a) $\sigma = 540\varepsilon^{0.30}$ (b) $\sigma = 775\varepsilon^{0.30}$ (c) $\sigma = 540\varepsilon^{0.35}$ (d) $\sigma = 775\varepsilon^{0.35}$ [GATE-2006]

Elasticity and Plasticity

GATE-4. An axial residual compressive stress due to a manufacturing process is present on the outer surface of a rotating shaft subjected to bending. Under a given bending load, the fatigue life of the shaft in the presence of the residual compressive stress is:

- (a) Decreased
(b) Increased or decreased, depending on the external bending load [GATE-2008]
(c) Neither decreased nor increased
(d) Increased

GATE-5. A static load is mounted at the centre of a shaft rotating at uniform angular velocity. This shaft will be designed for [GATE-2002]

- (a) The maximum compressive stress (static) (b) The maximum tensile stress (static)
(c) The maximum bending moment (static) (d) Fatigue loading

GATE-6. Fatigue strength of a rod subjected to cyclic axial force is less than that of a rotating beam of the same dimensions subjected to steady lateral force because [GATE-1992]

- (a) Axial stiffness is less than bending stiffness
(b) Of absence of centrifugal effects in the rod

- (c) The number of discontinuities vulnerable to fatigue are more in the rod
 (d) At a particular time the rod has only one type of stress whereas the beam has both the tensile and compressive stresses.

Relation between the Elastic Moduli

GATE-7. The number of independent elastic constants required to define the stress-strain relationship for an isotropic elastic solid is [GATE-2014]

GATE-7(i). A rod of length L and diameter D is subjected to a tensile load P . Which of the following is sufficient to calculate the resulting change in diameter?

- (a) Young's modulus (b) Shear modulus [GATE-2008]
 (c) Poisson's ratio (d) Both Young's modulus and shear modulus

GATE-7ii. If the Poisson's ratio of an elastic material is 0.4, the ratio of modulus of rigidity to Young's modulus is [GATE-2014]

GATE-8. In terms of Poisson's ratio (μ) the ratio of Young's Modulus (E) to Shear Modulus (G) of elastic materials is [GATE-2004]

- (a) $2(1 + \mu)$ (b) $2(1 - \mu)$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}(1 + \mu)$ (d) $\frac{1}{2}(1 - \mu)$

GATE-9. The relationship between Young's modulus (E), Bulk modulus (K) and Poisson's ratio (μ) is given by: [GATE-2002]

- (a) $E = 3K(1 - 2\mu)$ (b) $K = 3E(1 - 2\mu)$
 (c) $E = 3K(1 - \mu)$ (d) $K = 3E(1 - \mu)$

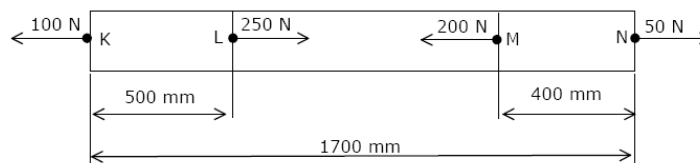
GATE-9(i) For an isotropic material, the relationship between the Young's modulus (E), shear modulus (G) and Poisson's ratio (μ) is given by [CE: GATE-2007; PI: GATE-2014]

- (a) $G = \frac{E}{2(1 + \mu)}$ (b) $E = \frac{G}{2(1 + \mu)}$ (c) $G = \frac{E}{(1 + \mu)}$ (d) $G = \frac{E}{2(1 - 2\mu)}$

GATE-10. A rod is subjected to a uni-axial load within linear elastic limit. When the change in the stress is 200 MPa, the change in the strain is 0.001. If the Poisson's ratio of the rod is 0.3, the modulus of rigidity (in GPa) is [GATE-2015]

Stresses in compound strut

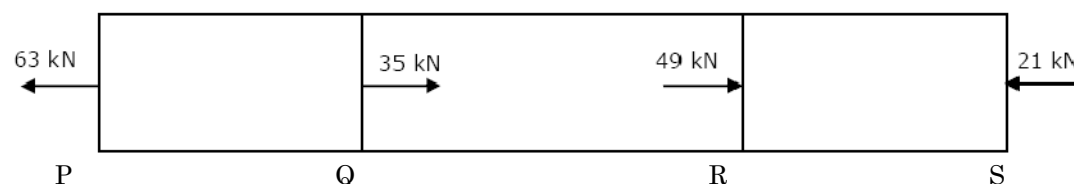
GATE-11. The figure below shows a steel rod of 25 mm² cross sectional area. It is loaded at four points, K, L, M and N. [GATE-2004, IES 1995, 1997, 1998]



Assume $E_{\text{steel}} = 200 \text{ GPa}$. The total change in length of the rod due to loading is:

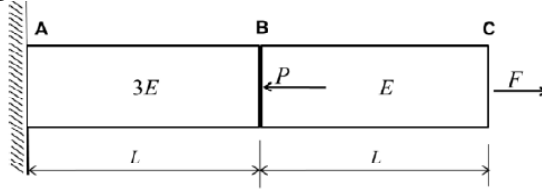
- (a) $1 \mu\text{m}$ (b) $-10 \mu\text{m}$ (c) $16 \mu\text{m}$ (d) $-20 \mu\text{m}$

GATE-12. A bar having a cross-sectional area of 700 mm² is subjected to axial loads at the positions indicated. The value of stress in the segment QR is: [GATE-2006]



- (a) 40 MPa (b) 50 MPa (c) 70 MPa (d) 120 MPa

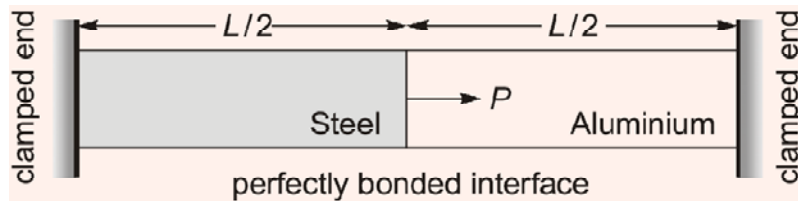
GATE-13. A horizontal bar with a constant cross-section is subjected to loading as shown in the figure. The Young's moduli for the sections AB and BC are $3E$ and E , respectively.



[GATE-2016]

For the deflection at C to be zero, the ratio P/F is _____

GATE-13a. A bimetallic cylindrical bar of cross sectional area 1 m^2 is made by bonding Steel (Young's modulus = 210 GPa) and Aluminium (Young's modulus = 70 GPa) as shown in the figure. To maintain tensile axial strain of magnitude 10^{-6} Steel bar and compressive axial strain of magnitude 10^{-6} Aluminum bar, the magnitude of the required force P (in kN) along the indicated direction is [GATE-2018]



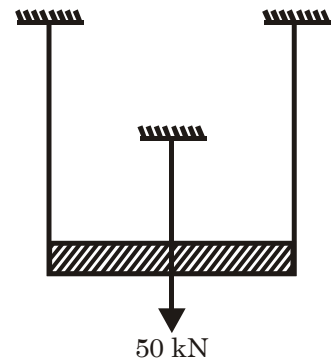
(a) 70

(b) 140

(c) 210

(d) 280

GATE-14. A rigid bar is suspended by three rods made of the same material as shown in the figure. The area and length of the central rod are $3A$ and L , respectively while that of the two outer rods are $2A$ and $2L$, respectively. If a downward force of 50 kN is applied to the rigid bar, the forces in the central and each of the outer rods will be

(a) 16.67 kN each(b) 30 kN and 15 kN (c) 30 kN and 10 kN (d) 21.4 kN and 14.3 kN 

[CE: GATE-2007]

Thermal Effect

GATE-15. A uniform, slender cylindrical rod is made of a homogeneous and isotropic material. The rod rests on a frictionless surface. The rod is heated uniformly. If the radial and longitudinal thermal stresses are represented by σ_r and σ_z , respectively, then

[GATE-2005]

(a) $\sigma_r = 0, \sigma_z = 0$ (b) $\sigma_r \neq 0, \sigma_z = 0$ (c) $\sigma_r = 0, \sigma_z \neq 0$ (d) $\sigma_r \neq 0, \sigma_z \neq 0$

GATE-16. A solid steel cube constrained on all six faces is heated so that the temperature rises uniformly by ΔT . If the thermal coefficient of the material is α , Young's modulus is E and the Poisson's ratio is ν , the thermal stress developed in the cube due to heating is

(a) $-\frac{\alpha(\Delta T)E}{(1-2\nu)}$ (b) $-\frac{2\alpha(\Delta T)E}{(1-2\nu)}$ (c) $-\frac{3\alpha(\Delta T)E}{(1-2\nu)}$ (d) $-\frac{\alpha(\Delta T)E}{3(1-2\nu)}$

[GATE-2012]

GATE-17. A metal bar of length 100 mm is inserted between two rigid supports and its temperature is increased by 10°C . If the coefficient of thermal expansion is $12 \times 10^{-6} \text{ per } ^\circ\text{C}$ and the Young's modulus is $2 \times 10^5 \text{ MPa}$, the stress in the bar is

(a) zero

(b) 12 MPa (c) 24 MPa (d) 2400 MPa [CE: GATE-2007]

GATE-18. A 200 mm long, stress free rod at room temperature is held between two immovable rigid walls. The temperature of the rod is uniformly raised by 250°C . If the Young's modulus and coefficient of thermal expansion are 200 GPa and $1 \times 10^{-5}/^{\circ}\text{C}$, respectively, the magnitude of the longitudinal stress (in MPa) developed in the rod is [GATE-2014]

GATE-19. A circular rod of length 'L' and area of cross-section 'A' has a modulus of elasticity 'E' and coefficient of thermal expansion ' α '. One end of the rod is fixed and other end is free. If the temperature of the rod is increased by ΔT , then [GATE-2014]

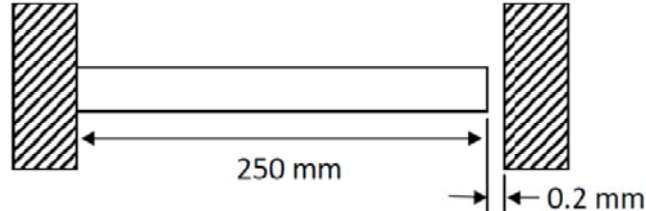
- (a) stress developed in the rod is $E \alpha \Delta T$ and strain developed in the rod is $\alpha \Delta T$
- (b) both stress and strain developed in the rod are zero
- (c) stress developed in the rod is zero and strain developed in the rod is $\alpha \Delta T$
- (d) stress developed in the rod is $E \alpha \Delta T$ and strain developed in the rod is zero

GATE-20. A steel cube, with all faces free to deform, has Young's modulus, E, Poisson's ratio, ν , and coefficient of thermal expansion, α . The pressure (hydrostatic stress) developed within the cube, when it is subjected to a uniform increase in temperature, ΔT , is given by [GATE-2014]

- (a) 0
- (b) $\frac{\alpha(\Delta T) E}{1 - 2\nu}$
- (c) $-\frac{\alpha(\Delta T) E}{1 - 2\nu}$
- (d) $\frac{\alpha(\Delta T) E}{3(1 - 2\nu)}$

GATE-20a. A circular metallic rod of length 250 mm is placed between two rigid immovable walls as shown in the figure. The rod is in perfect contact with the wall on the left side and there is a gap of 0.2 mm between the rod and the wall on the right side. If the temperature of the rod is increased by 200°C , the axial stress developed in the rod is _____ MPa. [GATE-2016]

Young's modulus of the material of the rod is 200 GPa and the coefficient of thermal expansion is $10^{-5}/^{\circ}\text{C}$.



GATE-20b. A steel bar is held by two fixed supports as shown in the figure and is subjected to an increase of temperature $\Delta T = 100^{\circ}\text{C}$. If the coefficient of thermal expansion and Young's modulus of elasticity of steel are $11 \times 10^{-6}/^{\circ}\text{C}$ and 200 GPa, respectively, the magnitude of thermal stress (in MPa) induced in the bar is _____. [GATE-2017]



GATE-20c. A horizontal bar, fixed at one end ($x = 0$), has a length of 1 m, and cross-sectional area of 100 mm^2 . Its elastic modulus varies along its length as given by $E(x) = 100 e^{-x} \text{ GPa}$, where x is the length coordinate (in m) along the axis of the bar. An axial tensile load of 10 kN is applied at the free end ($x = 1$). The axial displacement of the free end is _____ mm. [GATE-2017]

Fatigue, Creep

GATE-21. The creep strains are

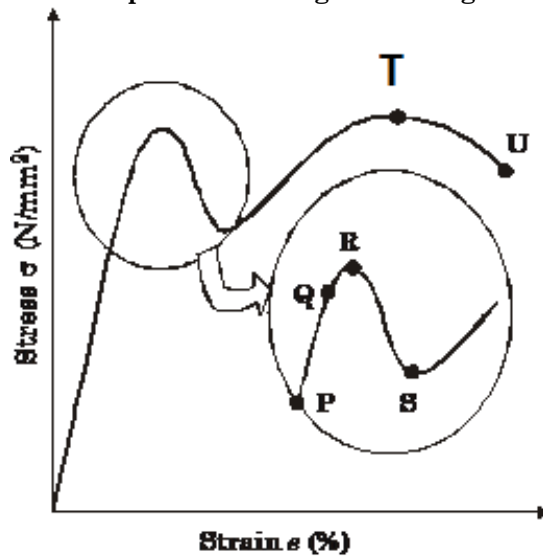
[CE: GATE-2013]

- (a) caused due to dead loads only
- (b) caused due to live loads only
- (c) caused due to cyclic loads only
- (d) independent of loads

Tensile Test

GATE-22. The stress-strain curve for mild steel is shown in the figure given below. Choose the correct option referring to both figure and table.

[GATE-2014]



Point on the graph

Description of the point

- | | |
|---|------------------------------|
| P | 1. Upper Yield Point |
| Q | 2. Ultimate Tensile Strength |
| R | 3. Proportionality Limit |
| S | 4. Elastic Limit |
| T | 5. Lower Yield Point |
| U | 6. Failure |

	P	Q	R	S	T	U	P	Q	R	S	T	U
(a)	1	2	3	4	5	6	3	1	4	2	6	5
(c)	3	4	1	5	2	6	4	1	5	2	3	6

GATE-22a. In the engineering stress-strain curve for mild steel, the Ultimate Tensile Strength(UTS) refers to

[GATE-2017]

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|--------------------|------------------------|
| (a) Yield stress | (b) Proportional limit |
| (c) Maximum Stress | (d) Fracture stress |

GATE-22b. The elastic modulus of a rigid perfectly plastic solid is

[PI: GATE-2016]

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| (a) 0 | (b) 1 | (c) 100 | (d) infinity |
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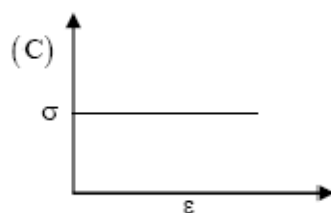
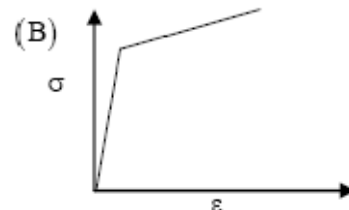
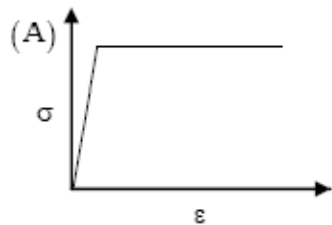
GATE-23. A test specimen is stressed slightly beyond the yield point and then unloaded. Its yield strength will

[GATE-1995]

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|------------------|--|
| (a) Decrease | (b) Increase |
| (c) Remains same | (d) Becomes equal to ultimate tensile strength |

GATE-23(i). Which one of the following types of stress-strain relationship best describes the behavior of brittle materials, such as ceramics and thermosetting plastics, σ = stress; ϵ = strain

[GATE-2015]



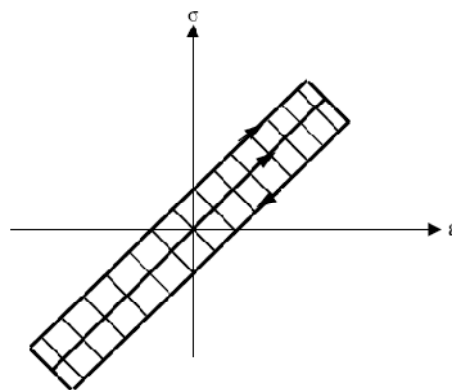
- GATE-23a.** In a linearly hardening plastic material, the true stress beyond initial yielding
- (a) increases linearly with the true strain [GATE-2018]
 - (b) decreases linearly with the true strain
 - (c) first increases linearly and then decreases linearly with the true strain
 - (d) remain constant

GATE-24. The flow stress (in MPa) of a material is given by $\sigma = 500\varepsilon^{0.1}$ where ε is true strain. The Young's modulus of elasticity of the material is 200 GPa. A block of thickness 100 mm made of this material is compressed to 95 mm thickness and then the load is removed. The final dimension of the block (in mm) is _____ [GATE-2015]

- GATE-25.** The strain hardening exponent n of stainless steel SS304 with distinct yield and UTS values undergoing plastic deformation is [GATE-2015]
- (a) $n < 0$
 - (b) $n = 0$
 - (c) $0 < n < 1$
 - (d) $n = 1$

GATE-26. Under repeated loading a material has the stress-strain curve shown in figure, which of the following statements is true?

- (a) The smaller the shaded area, the better the material damping
- (b) The larger the shaded area, the better the material damping
- (c) Material damping is an independent material property and does not depend on this curve
- (d) None of these



[GATE-1999]

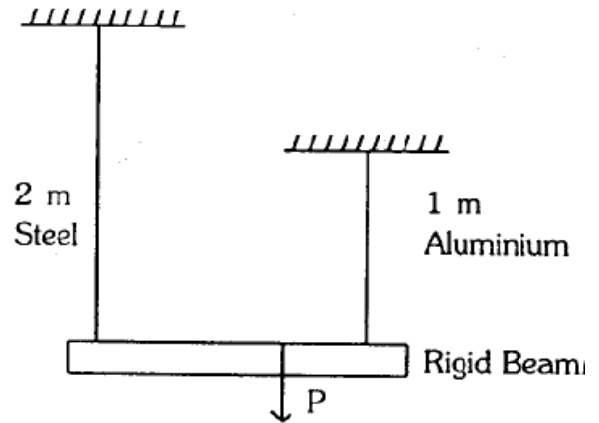
- GATE-27.** Pre-tensioning of a bolted joint is used to [GATE-2018]
- (a) strain harden the bolt head
 - (b) decrease stiffness of the bolted joint
 - (c) increase stiffness of the bolted joint
 - (d) prevent yielding of the thread root

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Stress in a bar due to self-weight

- IES-1.** A solid uniform metal bar of diameter D and length L is hanging vertically from its upper end. The elongation of the bar due to self weight is: [IES-2005]
- (a) Proportional to L and inversely proportional to D^2
 - (b) Proportional to L^2 and inversely proportional to D^2
 - (c) Proportional of L but independent of D
 - (d) Proportional of L^2 but independent of D
- IES-2.** The deformation of a bar under its own weight as compared to that when subjected to a direct axial load equal to its own weight will be: [IES-1998]
- (a) The same
 - (b) One-fourth
 - (c) Half
 - (d) Double

- IES-3. A rigid beam of negligible weight is supported in a horizontal position by two rods of steel and aluminum, 2 m and 1 m long having values of cross-sectional areas 1 cm^2 and 2 cm^2 and E of 200 GPa and 100 GPa respectively. A load P is applied as shown in the figure

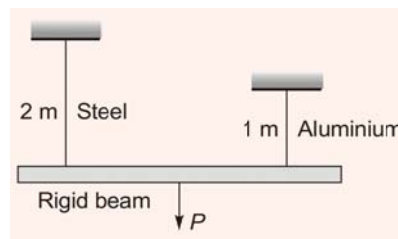


[IES-2002]

If the rigid beam is to remain horizontal then

- (a) The forces on both sides should be equal
- (b) The force on aluminum rod should be twice the force on steel
- (c) The force on the steel rod should be twice the force on aluminum
- (d) The force P must be applied at the centre of the beam

- IES-3a. A rigid beam of negligible weight, is supported in a horizontal position by two rods of steel and aluminium, 2 m and 1 m long, having values of cross-sectional areas 100 mm^2 and 200 mm^2 , and Young's modulus of 200 GPa and 100 GPa, respectively. A load P is applied as shown in the figure below: [IES-2018]



If the rigid beam is to remain horizontal, then

- (a) the force P must be applied at the centre of the beam
- (b) the force on the steel rod should be twice the force on the aluminium rod
- (c) the force on the aluminium rod should be twice the force on the steel-rod
- (d) the forces on both the rods should be equal

Bar of uniform strength

- IES-4. Which one of the following statements is correct? [IES 2007]

A beam is said to be of uniform strength, if

- (a) The bending moment is the same throughout the beam
- (b) The shear stress is the same throughout the beam
- (c) The deflection is the same throughout the beam
- (d) The bending stress is the same at every section along its longitudinal axis

- IES-5. Which one of the following statements is correct? [IES-2006]

Beams of uniform strength vary in section such that

- (a) bending moment remains constant
- (b) deflection remains constant
- (c) maximum bending stress remains constant
- (d) shear force remains constant

- IES-6. For bolts of uniform strength, the shank diameter is made equal to [IES-2003]

- (a) Major diameter of threads
- (b) Pitch diameter of threads
- (c) Minor diameter of threads
- (d) Nominal diameter of threads

- IES-7. A bolt of uniform strength can be developed by [IES-1995]

- (a) Keeping the core diameter of threads equal to the diameter of unthreaded portion of the bolt
- (b) Keeping the core diameter smaller than the diameter of the unthreaded portion

- (c) Keeping the nominal diameter of threads equal the diameter of unthreaded portion of the bolt
 (d) One end fixed and the other end free

IES-7a. In a bolt of uniform strength:

- (a) Nominal diameter of thread is equal to the diameter of shank of the bolt
 (b) Nominal diameter of thread is larger than the diameter of shank of the bolt
 (c) Nominal diameter of thread is less than the diameter of shank of the bolt
 (d) Core diameter of threads is equal to the diameter of shank of the bolt.

[IES-2011]

Elongation of a Taper Rod

IES-8. Two tapering bars of the same material are subjected to a tensile load P . The lengths of both the bars are the same. The larger diameter of each of the bars is D . The diameter of the bar A at its smaller end is $D/2$ and that of the bar B is $D/3$. What is the ratio of elongation of the bar A to that of the bar B? [IES-2006]

- (a) 3 : 2 (b) 2 : 3 (c) 4 : 9 (d) 1 : 3

IES-9. A bar of length L tapers uniformly from diameter $1.1 D$ at one end to $0.9 D$ at the other end. The elongation due to axial pull is computed using mean diameter D . What is the approximate error in computed elongation? [IES-2004]

- (a) 10% (b) 5% (c) 1% (d) 0.5%

IES-10. The stretch in a steel rod of circular section, having a length ' l ' subjected to a tensile load ' P ' and tapering uniformly from a diameter d_1 at one end to a diameter d_2 at the other end, is given [IES-1995]

- (a) $\frac{Pl}{4Ed_1d_2}$ (b) $\frac{pl.\pi}{Ed_1d_2}$ (c) $\frac{pl.\pi}{4Ed_1d_2}$ (d) $\frac{4pl}{\pi Ed_1d_2}$

IES-11. A tapering bar (diameters of end sections being d_1 and d_2) and a bar of uniform cross-section ' d ' have the same length and are subjected to the same axial pull. Both the bars will have the same extension if ' d ' is equal to [IES-1998]

- (a) $\frac{d_1 + d_2}{2}$ (b) $\sqrt{d_1 d_2}$ (c) $\sqrt{\frac{d_1 d_2}{2}}$ (d) $\sqrt{\frac{d_1 + d_2}{2}}$

IES-11(i). A rod of length l tapers uniformly from a diameter D at one end to a diameter d at the other. The Young's modulus of the material is E . The extension caused by an axial load P is [IES-2012]

- (a) $\frac{4Pl}{\pi(D^2 - d^2)E}$ (b) $\frac{4Pl}{\pi(D^2 + d^2)E}$ (c) $\frac{4Pl}{\pi D d E}$ (d) $\frac{2Pl}{\pi D d E}$

IES-11ii. A rod of length L tapers uniformly from a diameter D at one end to a diameter $D/2$ at the other end and is subjected to an axial load P . A second rod of length L and uniform diameter D is subjected to same axial load P . Both the rods are of same material with Young's modulus of elasticity E . The ratio of extension of the first rod to that of the second rod [IES-2014]

- (a) 4 (b) 3 (c) 2 (d) 1

Poisson's ratio

IES-12. In the case of an engineering material under unidirectional stress in the x -direction, the Poisson's ratio is equal to (symbols have the usual meanings) [IAS 1994, IES-2000]

- (a) $\frac{\epsilon_y}{\epsilon_x}$ (b) $\frac{\epsilon_y}{\sigma_x}$ (c) $\frac{\sigma_y}{\sigma_x}$ (d) $\frac{\sigma_y}{\epsilon_x}$

- IES-13. Which one of the following is correct in respect of Poisson's ratio (ν) limits for an isotropic elastic solid? [IES-2004]
 (a) $-\infty \leq \nu \leq \infty$ (b) $1/4 \leq \nu \leq 1/3$ (c) $-1 \leq \nu \leq 1/2$ (d) $-1/2 \leq \nu \leq 1/2$
- IES-14. Match List-I (Elastic properties of an isotropic elastic material) with List-II (Nature of strain produced) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IES-1997]
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|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| List-I | | | | List-II | | | | |
| A. Young's modulus | | | | 1. Shear strain | | | | |
| B. Modulus of rigidity | | | | 2. Normal strain | | | | |
| C. Bulk modulus | | | | 3. Transverse strain | | | | |
| D. Poisson's ratio | | | | 4. Volumetric strain | | | | |
| Codes: | A | B | C | D | A | B | C | D |
| (a) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | (b) | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| (c) | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 | (d) | 1 | 2 | 4 |
- IES-15. If the value of Poisson's ratio is zero, then it means that [IES-1994]
 (a) The material is rigid.
 (b) The material is perfectly plastic.
 (c) There is no longitudinal strain in the material
 (d) The longitudinal strain in the material is infinite.
- IES-16. Which of the following is true (μ = Poisson's ratio) [IES-1992]
 (a) $0 < \mu < 1/2$ (b) $1 < \mu < 0$ (c) $1 < \mu < -1$ (d) $\infty < \mu < -\infty$

Elasticity and Plasticity

- IES-17. If the area of cross-section of a wire is circular and if the radius of this circle decreases to half its original value due to the stretch of the wire by a load, then the modulus of elasticity of the wire be: [IES-1993]
 (a) One-fourth of its original value (b) Halved (c) Doubled (d) Unaffected
- IES-18. The relationship between the Lamé's constant ' λ ', Young's modulus ' E ' and the Poisson's ratio ' μ ' [IES-1997]
 (a) $\lambda = \frac{E\mu}{(1+\mu)(1-2\mu)}$ (b) $\lambda = \frac{E\mu}{(1+2\mu)(1-\mu)}$ (c) $\lambda = \frac{E\mu}{1+\mu}$ (d) $\lambda = \frac{E\mu}{(1-\mu)}$
- IES-19. Which of the following pairs are correctly matched? [IES-1994]
 1. Resilience..... Resistance to deformation.
 2. Malleability Shape change.
 3. Creep Progressive deformation.
 4. Plasticity Permanent deformation.
 Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
 Codes: (a) 2, 3 and 4 (b) 1, 2 and 3 (c) 1, 2 and 4 (d) 1, 3 and 4
- IES-19a Match List - I with List - II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists: [IES-2011]
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|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| List - I | | | | List - II | | | | |
| A. Elasticity | | | | 1. Deform non-elastically without fracture | | | | |
| B. Malleability | | | | 2. Undergo plastic deformation under tensile load | | | | |
| C. Ductility | | | | 3. Undergo plastic deformation under compressive load | | | | |
| D. Plasticity | | | | 4. Return to its original shape on unloading | | | | |
| Codes | A | B | C | D | A | B | C | D |
| (a) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | (b) | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| (c) | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | (d) | 4 | 3 | 2 |

IES-19b. Assertion (A): Plastic deformation is a function of applied stress, temperature and strain rate. [IES-2010]

Reason (R): Plastic deformation is accompanied by change in both the internal and external state of the material.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true

Creep and fatigue

IES-20. What is the phenomenon of progressive extension of the material i.e., strain increasing with the time at a constant load, called? [IES 2007]

- (a) Plasticity
- (b) Yielding
- (b) Creeping
- (d) Breaking

IES-21. The correct sequence of creep deformation in a creep curve in order of their elongation is: [IES-2001]

- (a) Steady state, transient, accelerated
- (b) Transient, steady state, accelerated
- (c) Transient, accelerated, steady state
- (d) Accelerated, steady state, transient

IES-22. The highest stress that a material can withstand for a specified length of time without excessive deformation is called [IES-1997]

- (a) Fatigue strength
- (b) Endurance strength
- (c) Creep strength
- (d) Creep rupture strength

IES-22a. A transmission shaft subjected to bending loads must be designed on the basis of [IES-1996]

- (a) Maximum normal stress theory
- (b) Maximum shear stress theory
- (c) Maximum normal stress and maximum shear stress theories
- (d) Fatigue strength

IES-22b. Endurance limit is of primary concern in the design of a/an [IES-2016]

- 1. rotating shaft
- 2. industrial structure
- 3. column
- 4. machine base

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

IES-23. Which one of the following features improves the fatigue strength of a metallic material? [IES-2000]

- (a) Increasing the temperature
- (b) Scratching the surface
- (c) Overstressing
- (d) Under stressing

IES-24. Consider the following statements: [IES-1993]

For increasing the fatigue strength of welded joints it is necessary to employ

- 1. Grinding
- 2. Coating
- 3. Hammer peening

Of the above statements

- (a) 1 and 2 are correct
- (b) 2 and 3 are correct
- (c) 1 and 3 are correct
- (d) 1, 2 and 3 are correct

Relation between the Elastic Moduli

IES-25. For a linearly elastic, isotropic and homogeneous material, the number of elastic constants required to relate stress and strain is: [IAS 1994; IES-1998, CE:GATE-2010]

- (a) Two
- (b) Three
- (c) Four
- (d) Six

IES-26. E, G, K and μ represent the elastic modulus, shear modulus, bulk modulus and Poisson's ratio respectively of a linearly elastic, isotropic and homogeneous material. To express the stress-strain relations completely for this material, at least [IES-2006]

- (a) E, G and μ must be known
- (b) E, K and μ must be known
- (c) Any two of the four must be known
- (d) All the four must be known

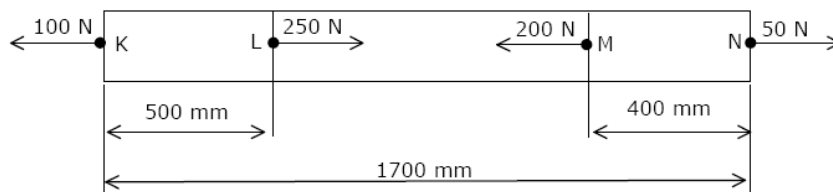
- IES-26a. An isotropic elastic material is characterized by** [IES-2016]
 (a) two independent moduli of elasticity along two mutually perpendicular directions
 (b) two independent moduli of elasticity along two mutually perpendicular directions and Poisson's ratio
 (c) a modulus of elasticity, a modulus of rigidity and Poisson's ratio
 (d) any two out of a modulus of elasticity, a modulus of rigidity and Poisson's ratio
- IES-27. The number of elastic constants for a completely anisotropic elastic material which follows Hooke's law is:** [IES-1999]
 (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 21 (d) 25
- IES-28. What are the materials which show direction dependent properties, called?**
 (a) Homogeneous materials (b) Viscoelastic materials [IES 2007, IES-2011]
 (c) Isotropic materials (d) Anisotropic materials
- IES-28a. Measured mechanical properties of material are same in a particular direction at each point. This property of the material is known as** [IES-2016]
 (a) isotropy (b) homogeneity (c) orthotropy (d) anisotropy
- IES-29. An orthotropic material, under plane stress condition will have:** [IES-2006]
 (a) 15 independent elastic constants (b) 4 independent elastic constants
 (c) 5 independent elastic constants (d) 9 independent elastic constants
- IES-30. Match List-I (Properties) with List-II (Units) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:** [IES-2001]
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|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|--|
| List I | | | | | List II | | | | |
| A. Dynamic viscosity | | | | | 1. Pa | | | | |
| B. Kinematic viscosity | | | | | 2. m ² /s | | | | |
| C. Torsional stiffness | | | | | 3. Ns/m ² | | | | |
| D. Modulus of rigidity | | | | | 4. N/m | | | | |
| Codes: | A | B | C | D | A | B | C | D | |
| (a) | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | (b) | 5 | 2 | 4 | |
| (b) | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | (d) | 5 | 4 | 2 | |
- IES-31. Young's modulus of elasticity and Poisson's ratio of a material are 1.25×10^5 MPa and 0.34 respectively. The modulus of rigidity of the material is:** [IAS 1994, IES-1995, 2001, 2002, 2007]
 (a) 0.4025×10^5 Mpa (b) 0.4664×10^5 Mpa
 (c) 0.8375×10^5 MPa (d) 0.9469×10^5 MPa
- IES-31(i). Consider the following statements:**
Modulus of rigidity and bulk modulus of a material are found to be 60 GPa and 140 GPa respectively. Then [IES-2013]
 1. Elasticity modulus is nearly 200 GPa
 2. Poisson's ratio is nearly 0.3
 3. Elasticity modulus is nearly 158 GPa
 4. Poisson's ratio is nearly 0.25
 Which of these statements are correct?
 (a) 1 and 3 (b) 2 and 4 (c) 1 and 4 (d) 2 and 3
- IES-31(ii). The modulus of rigidity and the bulk modulus of a material are found as 70 GPa and 150 GPa respectively. Then** [IES-2014]
 1. elasticity modulus is 200 GPa
 2. Poisson's ratio is 0.22
 3. elasticity modulus is 182 GPa
 4. Poisson's ratio is 0.3
 Which of the above statements are correct?
 (a) 1 and 2 (b) 1 and 4 (c) 2 and 3 (d) 3 and 4

- IES-31(iii). For a material following Hooke's law the values of elastic and shear moduli are 3×10^5 MPa and 1.2×10^5 MPa respectively. The value for bulk modulus [IES-2015]
 (a) 1.5×10^5 MPa (b) 2×10^5 MPa (c) 2.5×10^5 MPa (d) 3×10^5 MPa
- IES-32. In a homogenous, isotropic elastic material, the modulus of elasticity E in terms of G and K is equal to [IAS-1995, IES - 1992]
 (a) $\frac{G+3K}{9KG}$ (b) $\frac{3G+K}{9KG}$ (c) $\frac{9KG}{G+3K}$ (d) $\frac{9KG}{K+3G}$
- IES-33. What is the relationship between the linear elastic properties Young's modulus (E), rigidity modulus (G) and bulk modulus (K)? [IES-2008]
 (a) $\frac{1}{E} = \frac{9}{K} + \frac{3}{G}$ (b) $\frac{3}{E} = \frac{9}{K} + \frac{1}{G}$ (c) $\frac{9}{E} = \frac{3}{K} + \frac{1}{G}$ (d) $\frac{9}{E} = \frac{1}{K} + \frac{3}{G}$
- IES-34. What is the relationship between the linear elastic properties Young's modulus (E), rigidity modulus (G) and bulk modulus (K)? [IES-2009]
 (a) $E = \frac{KG}{9K+G}$ (b) $E = \frac{9KG}{K+G}$ (c) $E = \frac{9KG}{K+3G}$ (d) $E = \frac{9KG}{3K+G}$
- IES-35. If E , G and K denote Young's modulus, Modulus of rigidity and Bulk Modulus, respectively, for an elastic material, then which one of the following can be possibly true? [IES-2005]
 (a) $G = 2K$ (b) $G = E$ (c) $K = E$ (d) $G = K = E$
- IES-36. If a material had a modulus of elasticity of 2.1×10^6 kgf/cm² and a modulus of rigidity of 0.8×10^6 kgf/cm² then the approximate value of the Poisson's ratio of the material would be: [IES-1993]
 (a) 0.26 (b) 0.31 (c) 0.47 (d) 0.5
- IES-37. The modulus of elasticity for a material is 200 GN/m² and Poisson's ratio is 0.25. What is the modulus of rigidity? [IES-2004]
 (a) 80 GN/m² (b) 125 GN/m² (c) 250 GN/m² (d) 320 GN/m²
- IES-37a. The modulus of rigidity of an elastic material is found to be 38.5% of the value of its Young's modulus. The Poisson's ratio of the material is nearly: [IES-2017 (Prelims)]
 (a) 0.28 (b) 0.30 (c) 0.33 (d) 0.35
- IES-38. Consider the following statements: [IES-2009]
 1. Two-dimensional stresses applied to a thin plate in its own plane represent the plane stress condition.
 2. Under plane stress condition, the strain in the direction perpendicular to the plane is zero.
 3. Normal and shear stresses may occur simultaneously on a plane.
 Which of the above statements is /are correct?
 (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 (c) 2 and 3 (d) 1 and 3
- IES-38(i). A 16 mm diameter bar elongates by 0.04% under a tensile force of 16 kN. The average decrease in diameter is found to be 0.01% Then: [IES-2013]
 1. $E = 210$ GPa and $G = 77$ GPa
 2. $E = 199$ GPa and $\nu = 0.25$
 3. $E = 199$ GPa and $\nu = 0.30$
 4. $E = 199$ GPa and $G = 80$ GPa
 Which of these values are correct?
 (a) 3 and 4 (b) 2 and 4 (c) 1 and 3 (d) 1 and 4

- IES-38a. A bar produces a lateral strain of magnitude 60×10^{-5} mm when subjected to a tensile stress of magnitude 300 MPa along the axial direction. What is the elastic modulus of the material if the poisson's ratio is 0.3? [IES-2017 (Prelims)]
 (a) 200 GPa (b) 150 GPa (c) 125 GPa (d) 100 GPa

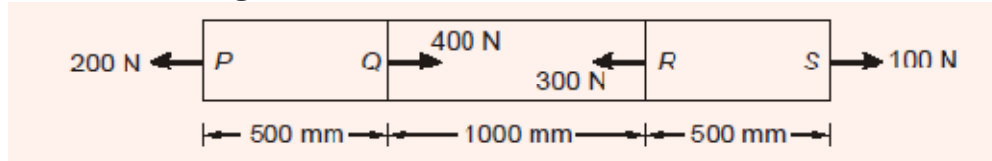
Stresses in compound strut

- IES-39. Eight bolts are to be selected for fixing the cover plate of a cylinder subjected to a maximum load of 980.175 kN. If the design stress for the bolt material is 315 N/mm², what is the diameter of each bolt? [IES-2008]
 (a) 10 mm (b) 22 mm (c) 30 mm (d) 36 mm
- IES-39a. A tension member of square cross-section of side 10 mm and Young's modulus E is replaced by another member of square cross-section of same length but Young's modulus E/2. The side of the new square cross-section, required to maintain the same elongation under the same load, is nearly [IES-2014]
 (a) 14 mm (b) 17 mm (c) 8 mm (d) 5 mm
- IES-39b. Two steel rods of identical length and material properties are subjected to equal axial loads. The first rod is solid with diameter d and the second is a hollow one with external diameter D and internal diameter 50% of D. If the two rods experience equal extensions, the ratio of $\frac{d}{D}$ [IES-2016]
 (a) $\frac{3}{4}$ (b) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{4}$
- IES-40. For a composite consisting of a bar enclosed inside a tube of another material when compressed under a load 'W' as a whole through rigid collars at the end of the bar. The equation of compatibility is given by (suffixes 1 and 2) refer to bar and tube respectively [IES-1998]
 (a) $W_1 + W_2 = W$ (b) $W_1 + W_2 = \text{Const.}$ (c) $\frac{W_1}{A_1 E_1} = \frac{W_2}{A_2 E_2}$ (d) $\frac{W_1}{A_1 E_2} = \frac{W_2}{A_2 E_1}$
- IES-40(i). A copper rod of 2 cm diameter is completely encased in a steel tube of inner diameter 2 cm and outer diameter 4 cm. Under an axial load, the stress in the steel tube is 100 N/mm². If $E_s = 2 E_c$, then stress in the copper rod is [IES-2015]
 (a) 50 N/mm² (b) 33.33 N/mm² (c) 100 N/mm² (d) 300 N/mm²
- IES-41. When a composite unit consisting of a steel rod surrounded by a cast iron tube is subjected to an axial load. [IES-2000]
 Assertion (A): The ratio of normal stresses induced in both the materials is equal to the ratio of Young's moduli of respective materials.
 Reason (R): The composite unit of these two materials is firmly fastened together at the ends to ensure equal deformation in both the materials.
 (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true
- IES-42. The figure below shows a steel rod of 25 mm² cross sectional area. It is loaded at four points, K, L, M and N. [GATE-2004, IES 1995, 1997, 1998]



- Assume $E_{\text{steel}} = 200 \text{ GPa}$. The total change in length of the rod due to loading is
 (a) 1 μm (b) -10 μm (c) 16 μm (d) -20 μm

IES-42a. A steel rod of cross-sectional area 10 mm^2 is subjected to loads at points P, Q, R and S as shown in the figure below: [IES-2016]

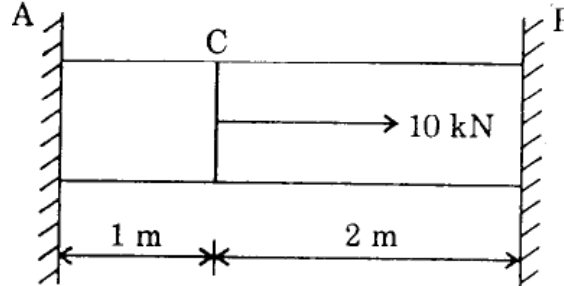


If $E_{\text{steel}} = 200 \text{ GPa}$, the total change in length of the rod due to loading is

- (a) $-5 \mu\text{m}$ (b) $-10 \mu\text{m}$ (c) $-20 \mu\text{m}$ (d) $-25 \mu\text{m}$

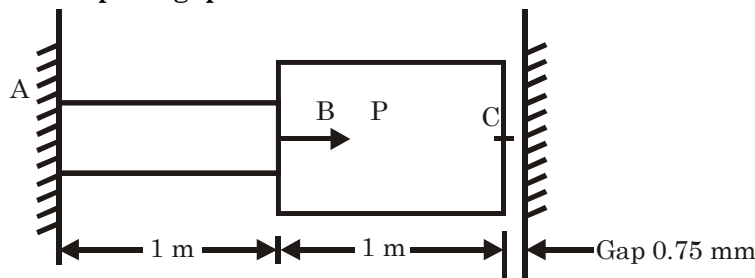
IES-43. The reactions at the rigid supports at A and B for the bar loaded as shown in the figure are respectively.

- (a) $20/3 \text{ kN}, 10/3 \text{ kN}$
 (b) $10/3 \text{ kN}, 20/3 \text{ kN}$
 (c) $5 \text{ kN}, 5 \text{ kN}$
 (d) $6 \text{ kN}, 4 \text{ kN}$



[IES-2002, IES-2011; IAS-2003]

IES-43(i) In the arrangement as shown in the figure, the stepped steel bar ABC is loaded by a load P. The material has Young's modulus $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$ and the two portions AB and BC have area of cross section 1 cm^2 and 2 cm^2 respectively. The magnitude of load P required to fill up the gap of 0.75 mm is: [IES-2013]



- (a) 10 kN (b) 15 kN (c) 20 kN (d) 25 kN

IES-44. Which one of the following is correct? [IES-2008]

When a nut is tightened by placing a washer below it, the bolt will be subjected to

- (a) Compression only (b) Tension
 (c) Shear only (d) Compression and shear

IES-45. Which of the following stresses are associated with the tightening of nut on a bolt? [IES-1998]

1. Tensile stress due to the stretching of bolt
2. Bending stress due to the bending of bolt
3. Crushing and shear stresses in threads
4. Torsional shear stress due to frictional resistance between the nut and the bolt.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

- Codes: (a) 1, 2 and 4 (b) 1, 2 and 3 (c) 2, 3 and 4 (d) 1, 3 and 4

Thermal effect

IES-46. A $100 \text{ mm} \times 5 \text{ mm} \times 5 \text{ mm}$ steel bar free to expand is heated from 15°C to 40°C . What shall be developed? [IES-2008]

- (a) Tensile stress (b) Compressive stress (c) Shear stress (d) No stress

IES-47. Which one of the following statements is correct? [GATE-1995; IES 2007, 2011]

If a material expands freely due to heating, it will develop

- (a) Thermal stress (b) Tensile stress (c) Compressive stress (d) No stress

- IES-48. A cube having each side of length a , is constrained in all directions and is heated uniformly so that the temperature is raised to $T^\circ\text{C}$. If α is the thermal coefficient of expansion of the cube material and E the modulus of elasticity, the stress developed in the cube is: [IES-2003]

(a) $\frac{\alpha TE}{\gamma}$ (b) $\frac{\alpha TE}{(1-2\gamma)}$ (c) $\frac{\alpha TE}{2\gamma}$ (d) $\frac{\alpha TE}{(1+2\gamma)}$

- IES-49. Consider the following statements:

Thermal stress is induced in a component in general, when

1. A temperature gradient exists in the component
2. The component is free from any restraint
3. It is restrained to expand or contract freely

Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 (b) 2 and 3 (c) 3 alone (d) 2 alone [IES-2002]

- IES-49(i). In a body, thermal stress is induced because of the existence of: [IES-2013]

- (a) Latent heat (b) Total heat
(c) Temperature gradient (d) Specific heat

- IES-50. A steel rod 10 mm in diameter and 1m long is heated from 20°C to 120°C , $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$ and $\alpha = 12 \times 10^{-6} \text{ per } ^\circ\text{C}$. If the rod is not free to expand, the thermal stress developed is: [IAS-2003, IES-1997, 2000, 2006]

- (a) 120 MPa (tensile) (b) 240 MPa (tensile)
(c) 120 MPa (compressive) (d) 240 MPa (compressive)

- IES-50a. A circular steel rod of 20 cm^2 cross-sectional area and 10 m length is heated through 50°C with ends clamped before heating. Given, $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$ and coefficient of thermal expansion, $\alpha = 10 \times 10^{-6}/^\circ\text{C}$, the thrust force generated on the clamp is

- (a) 100 kN (b) 150 kN (c) 200 kN (d) 250 kN [IES-2016]

- IES-51. A cube with a side length of 1 cm is heated uniformly 1°C above the room temperature and all the sides are free to expand. What will be the increase in volume of the cube? (Given coefficient of thermal expansion is α per $^\circ\text{C}$)

- (a) $3 \alpha \text{ cm}^3$ (b) $2 \alpha \text{ cm}^3$ (c) $\alpha \text{ cm}^3$ (d) zero [IES-2004]

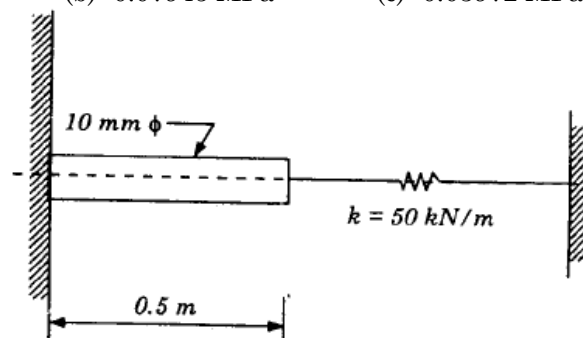
- IES-52. A bar of copper and steel form a composite system. [IES-2004, 2012]

They are heated to a temperature of 40°C . What type of stress is induced in the copper bar?

- (a) Tensile (b) Compressive (c) Both tensile and compressive (d) Shear

- IES-53. $\alpha = 12.5 \times 10^{-6}/^\circ\text{C}$, $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$ If the rod fitted strongly between the supports as shown in the figure, is heated, the stress induced in it due to 20°C rise in temperature will be: [IES-1999]

- (a) 0.07945 MPa (b) -0.07945 MPa (c) -0.03972 MPa (d) 0.03972 MPa



- IES-53a. A steel rod, 2 m long, is held between two walls and heated from 20°C to 60°C . Young's modulus and coefficient of linear expansion of the rod material are $200 \times 10^3 \text{ MPa}$ and $10 \times 10^{-6}/^\circ\text{C}$ respectively. The stress induced in the rod, if walls yield by 0.2 mm, is

- (a) 60 MPa tensile (b) 80 MPa tensile [IES-2014]
(c) 80 MPa compressive (d) 60 MPa compressive

IES-53b. A steel rod 10 m long is at a temperature of 20°C. The rod is heated to a temperature of 60°C. What is the stress induced in the rod if it is allowed to expand by 4 mm, when $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$ and $\alpha = 12 \times 10^{-6}/^\circ\text{C}$? [IES-2016]

- (a) 64 MPa (b) 48 MPa (c) 32 MPa (d) 16 MPa

IES-54. The temperature stress is a function of [IES-1992]

1. Coefficient of linear expansion 2. Temperature rise 3. Modulus of elasticity

The correct answer is:

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3

IES-54(i). An aluminium bar of 8 m length and a steel bar of 5 mm longer in length are kept at 30°C. If the ambient temperature is raised gradually, at what temperature the aluminium bar will elongate 5 mm longer than the steel bar (the linear expansion coefficients for steel and aluminium are $12 \times 10^{-6}/^\circ\text{C}$ and $23 \times 10^{-6}/^\circ\text{C}$ respectively)?

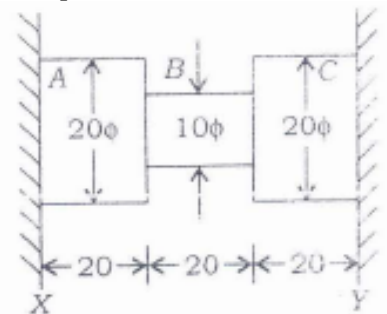
- (a) 50.7°C (b) 69.0°C (c) 143.7°C (d) 33.7°C [IES-2014]

IES-54(ii). The figure shows a steel piece of diameter 20 mm at A and C, and 10 mm at B. The lengths of three sections A, B and C are each equal to 20 mm. The piece is held between two rigid surfaces X and Y. The coefficient of linear expansion $\alpha = 1.2 \times 10^{-5}/^\circ\text{C}$ and Young's Modulus $E = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ MPa}$ for steel: [IES-2015]

When the temperature of this piece increases by

50°C, the stresses in sections A and B are

- (a) 120 MPa and 480 MPa
(b) 60 MPa and 240 MPa
(c) 120 MPa and 120 MPa
(d) 60 MPa and 120 MPa



Impact loading

IES-55. Assertion (A): Ductile materials generally absorb more impact loading than a brittle material [IES-2004]

Reason (R): Ductile materials generally have higher ultimate strength than brittle materials

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

IES-56. Assertion (A): Specimens for impact testing are never notched. [IES-1999]

Reason (R): A notch introduces tri-axial tensile stresses which cause brittle fracture.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

Tensile Test

IES-57. During tensile-testing of a specimen using a Universal Testing Machine, the parameters actually measured include [IES-1996]

- (a) True stress and true strain (b) Poisson's ratio and Young's modulus
(c) Engineering stress and engineering strain (d) Load and elongation

IES-58. In a tensile test, near the elastic limit zone [IES-2006]

- (a) Tensile stress increases at a faster rate
(b) Tensile stress decreases at a faster rate
(c) Tensile stress increases in linear proportion to the stress
(d) Tensile stress decreases in linear proportion to the stress

IES-59. Match List-I (Types of Tests and Materials) with List-II (Types of Fractures) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

List I**(Types of Tests and Materials)**

- A. Tensile test on CI
 B. Torsion test on MS
 C. Tensile test on MS
 D. Torsion test on CI

List-II**(Types of Fractures)**

1. Plain fracture on a transverse plane
 2. Granular helecoidal fracture
 3. Plain granular at 45° to the axis
 4. Cup and Cone
 5. Granular fracture on a transverse plane

[IES-2002; IAS-2004]

Codes:

	A	B	C	D
(a)	4	2	3	1
(b)	5	1	4	2

	A	B	C	D
(c)	4	1	3	2
(d)	5	2	4	1

IES-60. Which of the following materials generally exhibits a yield point? [IES-2003]

- (a) Cast iron (b) Annealed and hot-rolled mild steel
 (c) Soft brass (d) Cold-rolled steel

IES-61. For most brittle materials, the ultimate strength in compression is much large then the ultimate strength in tension. The is mainly due to [IES-1992]

- (a) Presence of flaws and microscopic cracks or cavities
 (b) Necking in tension
 (c) Severity of tensile stress as compared to compressive stress
 (d) Non-linearity of stress-strain diagram

IES-61(i). A copper rod 400 mm long is pulled in tension to a length of 401.2 mm by applying a tensile load of 330 MPa. If the deformation is entirely elastic, the Young's modulus of copper is [IES-2012]

- (a) 110 GPa (b) 110 MPa (c) 11 GPa (d) 11 MPa

IES-62. What is the safe static tensile load for a M36 × 4C bolt of mild steel having yield stress of 280 MPa and a factor of safety 1.5? [IES-2005]

- (a) 285 kN (b) 190 kN (c) 142.5 kN (d) 95 kN

IES-63. Which one of the following properties is more sensitive to increase in strain rate? [IES-2000]

- (a) Yield strength (b) Proportional limit (c) Elastic limit (d) Tensile strength

IES-63a. Which of the following properties will be themeaningful indicator/indicators of uniform rateof elongation of a test piece of a structuralmaterial before necking happens in the testpiece? [IES-2017 Prelims]

1. Ductility
 2. Toughness
 3. Hardness

Select the correct answer using the code givenbelow:

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only (c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3

IES-64. A steel hub of 100 mm internal diameter and uniform thickness of 10 mm was heated to a temperature of 300°C to shrink-fit it on a shaft. On cooling, a crack developed parallel to the direction of the length of the hub. Consider the following factors in this regard: [IES-1994]

1. Tensile hoop stress 2. Tensile radial stress
 3. Compressive hoop stress 4. Compressive radial stress

The cause of failure is attributable to

- (a) 1 alone (b) 1 and 3 (c) 1, 2 and 4 (d) 2, 3 and 4

IES-65. If failure in shear along 45° planes is to be avoided, then a material subjected to uniaxial tension should have its shear strength equal to at least [IES-1994]

- (a) Tensile strength (b) Compressive strength
 (c) Half the difference between the tensile and compressive strengths.
 (d) Half the tensile strength.

- IES-66.** Select the proper sequence [IES-1992]
1. Proportional Limit **2. Elastic limit** **3. Yielding** **4. Failure**
 (a) 2, 3, 1, 4 (b) 2, 1, 3, 4 (c) 1, 3, 2, 4 (d) 1, 2, 3, 4
- IES-67.** Elastic limit of cast iron as compared to its ultimate breaking strength is [IES-2012]
 (a) Half (b) Double
 (c) Approximately (d) None of the above
- IES-68.** **Statement (I):** Steel reinforcing bars are used in reinforced cement concrete. **Statement (II):** Concrete is weak in compression. [IES-2012]
 (a) Both Statement (I) and Statement (II) are individually true and Statement (II) is the correct explanation of Statement (I)
 (b) Both Statement (I) and Statement (II) are individually true but Statement (II) is not the correct explanation of Statement (I)
 (c) Statement (I) is true but Statement (II) is false
 (d) Statement (I) is false but Statement (II) is true
- IES-69.** **Statement (I):** Cast iron is good in compression. **Statement (II):** It is extensively used in members of truss. [IES-2014]
 (a) Both statement (I) and (II) are individually correct and statement (II) is the correct explanation of statement (I)
 (b) Both statement (I) and (II) are individually correct and statement (II) is not the correct explanation of statement (I)
 (c) Statement (I) is true but statement (II) is false.
 (d) Statement (I) is false but statement (II) is true.
- IES-70.** **Statement (I):** The Bauschinger effect is observed in tension test of mild steel specimen due to loss of mechanical energy during local yielding. **Statement (II):** The Bauschinger effect is a function of section modulus of specimen under test. [IES-2015]
 (a) Both statement (I) and (II) are individually correct and statement (II) is the correct explanation of statement (I)
 (b) Both statement (I) and (II) are individually correct and statement (II) is not the correct explanation of statement (I)
 (c) Statement (I) is true but statement (II) is false.
 (d) Statement (I) is false but statement (II) is true.
- IES-71.** A 10 mm diameter bar of mild steel of elastic modulus 200×10^9 Pa is subjected to a tensile load of 50000 N, taking it just beyond its yield point. The elastic recovery of strain that would occur upon removal of tensile load will be [IES-2017 Prelims]
 (a) 1.38×10^{-3} (b) 2.68×10^{-3} (c) 3.18×10^{-3} (d) 4.62×10^{-3}

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Stress in a bar due to self-weight

- IAS-1.** A heavy uniform rod of length 'L' and material density 'δ' is hung vertically with its top end rigidly fixed. How is the total elongation of the bar under its own weight expressed? [IAS-2007]
 (a) $\frac{2\delta L^2 g}{E}$ (b) $\frac{\delta L^2 g}{E}$ (c) $\frac{\delta L^2 g}{\sqrt{2}E}$ (d) $\frac{\delta L^2 g}{2E}$
- IAS-2.** A rod of length 'l' and cross-section area 'A' rotates about an axis passing through one end of the rod. The extension produced in the rod due to centrifugal forces is (w is the weight of the rod per unit length and ω is the angular velocity of rotation of the rod). [IAS 1994]

(a) $\frac{\omega \omega l^2}{gE}$

(b) $\frac{\omega^2 \omega l^3}{3gE}$

(c) $\frac{\omega^2 \omega l^3}{gE}$

(d) $\frac{3gE}{\omega^2 \omega l^3}$

Elongation of a Taper Rod

IAS-3. A rod of length, " l " tapers uniformly from a diameter " D_1 " to a diameter " D_2 " and carries an axial tensile load of " P ". The extension of the rod is (E represents the modulus of elasticity of the material of the rod) [IAS-1996]

(a) $\frac{4Pl}{\pi E D_1 D_2}$

(b) $\frac{4PEl}{\pi D_1 D_2}$

(c) $\frac{\pi EPl}{4D_1 D_2}$

(d) $\frac{\pi Pl}{4ED_1 D_2}$

Poisson's ratio

IAS-4. In the case of an engineering material under unidirectional stress in the x-direction, the Poisson's ratio is equal to (symbols have the usual meanings)

[IAS 1994, IES-2000]

(a) $\frac{\epsilon_y}{\epsilon_x}$

(b) $\frac{\epsilon_y}{\sigma_x}$

(c) $\frac{\sigma_y}{\sigma_x}$

(d) $\frac{\sigma_y}{\epsilon_x}$

IAS-5. Assertion (A): Poisson's ratio of a material is a measure of its ductility.
Reason (R): For every linear strain in the direction of force, Poisson's ratio of the material gives the lateral strain in directions perpendicular to the direction of force. [IAS-1999]

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **not** the correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true

IAS-6. Assertion (A): Poisson's ratio is a measure of the lateral strain in all direction perpendicular to and in terms of the linear strain. [IAS-1997]
Reason (R): The nature of lateral strain in a uni-axially loaded bar is opposite to that of the linear strain.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **not** the correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true

Elasticity and Plasticity

IAS-7. A weight falls on a plunger fitted in a container filled with oil thereby producing a pressure of 1.5 N/mm^2 in the oil. The Bulk Modulus of oil is 2800 N/mm^2 . Given this situation, the volumetric compressive strain produced in the oil will be: [IAS-1997]

(a) 400×10^{-6}

(b) 800×10^6

(c) 268×10^6

(d) 535×10^{-6}

Relation between the Elastic Moduli

IAS-8. For a linearly elastic, isotropic and homogeneous material, the number of elastic constants required to relate stress and strain is: [IAS 1994; IES-1998]

(a) Two

(b) Three

(c) Four

(d) Six

IAS-9. The independent elastic constants for a homogenous and isotropic material are

(a) E, G, K, ν (b) E, G, K (c) E, G, ν (d) E, G

[IAS-1995]

IAS-10. The unit of elastic modulus is the same as those of

[IAS 1994]

(a) Stress, shear modulus and pressure

(b) Strain, shear modulus and force

(c) Shear modulus, stress and force

(d) Stress, strain and pressure.

IAS-11. Young's modulus of elasticity and Poisson's ratio of a material are $1.25 \times 10^5 \text{ MPa}$ and 0.34 respectively. The modulus of rigidity of the material is:

[IAS 1994, IES-1995, 2001, 2002, 2007]

- (a) 0.4025×10^5 MPa
(c) 0.8375×10^5 MPa

- (b) 0.4664×10^5 MPa
(d) 0.9469×10^5 MPa

IAS-12. The Young's modulus of elasticity of a material is 2.5 times its modulus of rigidity. The Poisson's ratio for the material will be: [IAS-1997]

- (a) 0.25 (b) 0.33 (c) 0.50 (d) 0.75

IAS-13. In a homogenous, isotropic elastic material, the modulus of elasticity E in terms of G and K is equal to [IAS-1995, IES - 1992]

- (a) $\frac{G+3K}{9KG}$ (b) $\frac{3G+K}{9KG}$ (c) $\frac{9KG}{G+3K}$ (d) $\frac{9KG}{K+3G}$

IAS-14. The Elastic Constants E and K are related as (μ is the Poisson's ratio) [IAS-1996]

- (a) $E = 2k(1 - 2\mu)$ (b) $E = 3k(1 - 2\mu)$ (c) $E = 3k(1 + \mu)$ (d) $E = 2K(1 + 2\mu)$

IAS-15. For an isotropic, homogeneous and linearly elastic material, which obeys Hooke's law, the number of independent elastic constant is: [IAS-2000]

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 6

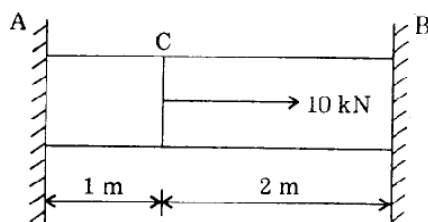
IAS-16. The moduli of elasticity and rigidity of a material are 200 GPa and 80 GPa, respectively. What is the value of the Poisson's ratio of the material? [IAS-2007]

- (a) 0.30 (b) 0.26 (c) 0.25 (d) 0.24

Stresses in compound strut

IAS-17. The reactions at the rigid supports at A and B for the bar loaded as shown in the figure are respectively. [IES-2002; IAS-2003]

- (a) 20/3 kN, 10/3 kN (b) 10/3 kN, 20/3 kN (c) 5 kN, 5 kN (d) 6 kN, 4 kN



Thermal effect

IAS-18. A steel rod 10 mm in diameter and 1m long is heated from 20°C to 120°C, $E = 200$ GPa and $\alpha = 12 \times 10^{-6}$ per °C. If the rod is not free to expand, the thermal stress developed is: [IAS-2003, IES-1997, 2000, 2006]

- (a) 120 MPa (tensile) (b) 240 MPa (tensile)
(c) 120 MPa (compressive) (d) 240 MPa (compressive)

IAS-19. A steel rod of diameter 1 cm and 1 m long is heated from 20°C to 120°C. Its $\alpha = 12 \times 10^{-6} / K$ and $E = 200$ GN/m². If the rod is free to expand, the thermal stress developed in it is: [IAS-2002]

- (a) 12×10^4 N/m² (b) 240 kN/m² (c) zero (d) infinity

IAS-20. Which one of the following pairs is NOT correctly matched? [IAS-1999]
(E = Young's modulus, α = Coefficient of linear expansion, T = Temperature rise, A = Area of cross-section, l = Original length)

- | | | |
|--|-------|-------------------------|
| (a) Temperature strain with permitted expansion δ | | $(\alpha T l - \delta)$ |
| (b) Temperature stress | | $\alpha T E$ |
| (c) Temperature thrust | | $\alpha T E A$ |

(d) Temperature stress with permitted expansion δ $\frac{E(\alpha Tl - \delta)}{l}$

Impact loading

IAS-21. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [IAS-1995]

List I (Property)

- A. Tensile strength
B. Impact strength
C. Bending strength
D. Fatigue strength

List II (Testing Machine)

1. Rotating Bending Machine
2. Three-Point Loading Machine
3. Universal Testing Machine
4. Izod Testing Machine

Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	4	3	2	1	(b)	3	2	1	4
(c)	2	1	4	3	(d)	3	4	2	1

Tensile Test

IAS-22. A mild steel specimen is tested in tension up to fracture in a Universal Testing Machine. Which of the following mechanical properties of the material can be evaluated from such a test? [IAS-2007]

1. Modulus of elasticity 2. Yield stress 3. Ductility
4. Tensile strength 5. Modulus of rigidity

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 3, 5 and 6 (b) 2, 3, 4 and 6 (c) 1, 2, 5 and 6 (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

IAS-23. In a simple tension test, Hooke's law is valid upto the [IAS-1998]

- (a) Elastic limit (b) Limit of proportionality (c) Ultimate stress (d) Breaking point

IAS-24. Lueder' lines on steel specimen under simple tension test is a direct indication of yielding of material due to slip along the plane [IAS-1997]

- (a) Of maximum principal stress (b) Off maximum shear
(c) Of loading (d) Perpendicular to the direction of loading

IAS-25. The percentage elongation of a material as obtained from static tension test depends upon the [IAS-1998]

- (a) Diameter of the test specimen (b) Gauge length of the specimen
(c) Nature of end-grips of the testing machine (d) Geometry of the test specimen

IAS-26. Match List-I (Types of Tests and Materials) with List-II (Types of Fractures) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

List I

(Types of Tests and Materials)

- A. Tensile test on CI
B. Torsion test on MS
C. Tensile test on MS
D. Torsion test on CI

List-II

(Types of Fractures)

1. Plain fracture on a transverse plane
2. Granular helecoidal fracture
3. Plain granular at 45° to the axis
4. Cup and Cone
5. Granular fracture on a transverse plane

Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	4	2	3	1	(c)	4	1	3	2
(b)	5	1	4	2	(d)	5	2	4	1

IAS-27. Assertion (A): For a ductile material stress-strain curve is a straight line up to the yield point. [IAS-2003]

Reason (R): The material follows Hooke's law up to the point of proportionality.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **not** the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

IAS-28. Assertion (A): Stress-strain curves for brittle material do not exhibit yield point. [IAS-1996]

Reason (R): Brittle materials fail without yielding.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **NOT** the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IAS-29. Match List I (Materials) with List II (Stress-Strain curves) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IAS-2001]

List I

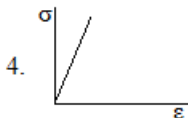
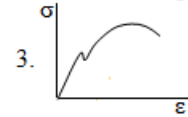
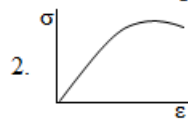
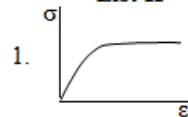
A. Mild Steel

B. Pure copper

C. Cast iron

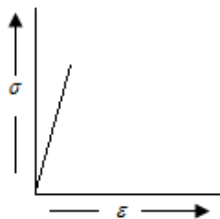
D. Pure aluminium

List II

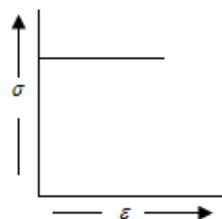


Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	3	1	4	1	(b)	3	2	4	2
(c)	2	4	3	1	(d)	4	1	3	2

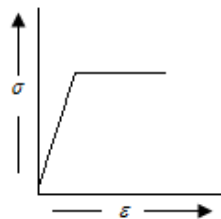
IAS-30. The stress-strain curve of an ideal elastic strain hardening material will be as



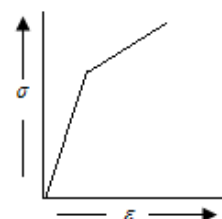
(a)



(b)



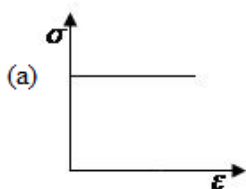
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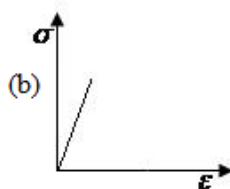
(d)

[IAS-1998]

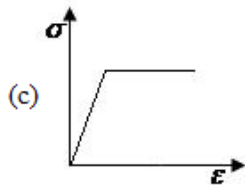
IAS-31. An idealised stress-strain curve for a perfectly plastic material is given by



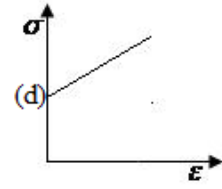
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

[IAS-1996]

IAS-32. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IAS-2002]

List I

- A. Ultimate strength
 B. Natural strain
 C. Conventional strain
 D. Stress

List II

1. Internal structure
 2. Change of length per unit instantaneous length
 3. Change of length per unit gauge length
 4. Load per unit area

Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	1	2	3	4	(b)	4	3	2	1
(c)	1	3	2	4	(d)	4	2	3	1

IAS-33. What is the cause of failure of a short MS strut under an axial load? [IAS-2007]
 (a) Fracture stress (b) Shear stress (c) Buckling (d) Yielding

IAS-34. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the codes given the lists: [IAS-1995]

List I

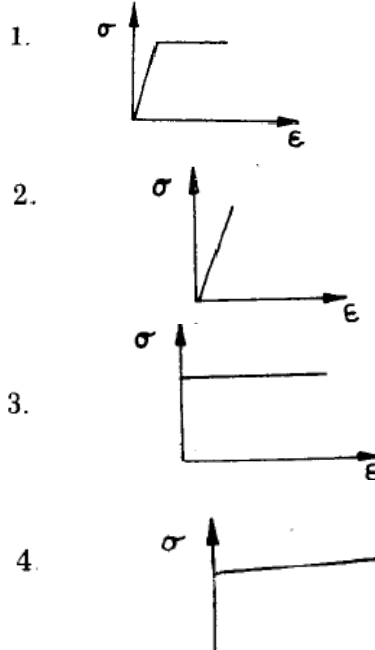
A. Rigid-Perfectly plastic

B. Elastic-Perfectly plastic

C. Rigid-Strain hardening

D. Linearly elastic

List II



Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	3	1	4	2	(b)	1	3	2	4
(c)	3	1	2	4	(d)	1	3	4	2

IAS-35. Which one of the following materials is highly elastic? [IAS-1995]
 (a) Rubber (b) Brass (c) Steel (d) Glass

IAS-36. Assertion (A): Hooke's law is the constitutive law for a linear elastic material.
 Reason (R) Formulation of the theory of elasticity requires the hypothesis that there exists a unique unstressed state of the body, to which the body returns whenever all the forces are removed. [IAS-2002]

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IAS-37. Consider the following statements: [IAS-2002]

- There are only two independent elastic constants.
- Elastic constants are different in orthogonal directions.
- Material properties are same everywhere.
- Elastic constants are same in all loading directions.
- The material has ability to withstand shock loading.

Which of the above statements are true for a linearly elastic, homogeneous and isotropic material?

- (a) 1, 3, 4 and 5 (b) 2, 3 and 4 (c) 1, 3 and 4 (d) 2 and 5

IAS-38. Which one of the following pairs is NOT correctly matched? [IAS-1999]
 (a) Uniformly distributed stress Force passed through the centroid of the

		cross-section
(b) Elastic deformation	Work done by external forces during deformation is dissipated fully as heat
(c) Potential energy of strain	Body is in a state of elastic deformation
(d) Hooke's law	Relation between stress and strain

IAS-39. A tensile bar is stressed to 250 N/mm^2 which is beyond its elastic limit. At this stage the strain produced in the bar is observed to be 0.0014. If the modulus of elasticity of the material of the bar is 205000 N/mm^2 then the elastic component of the strain is very close to

[IAS-1997]

- (a) 0.0004 (b) 0.0002 (c) 0.0001 (d) 0.00005

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (c) $\delta L = \frac{PL}{AE}$ or $\delta L \propto \frac{1}{E}$ [As P, L and A is same]

$$\frac{(\delta L)_{\text{mild steel}}}{(\delta L)_{\text{C.I}}} = \frac{E_{\text{C.I}}}{E_{\text{MS}}} = \frac{100}{206} \quad \therefore (\delta L)_{\text{C.I}} > (\delta L)_{\text{MS}}$$

GATE-1(i) Ans. (a)

GATE-2. Ans. (a) $\delta L = \frac{PL}{AE} = \frac{(200 \times 1000) \times 2}{(0.04 \times 0.04) \times 200 \times 10^9} \text{ m} = 1.25 \text{ mm}$

GATE-2a. Ans. 0.81 mm (Range given 0.80 to 0.82 mm)

$$\delta = \frac{PL}{AE} = \left(\frac{P}{A} \right) \frac{L}{E} = \sigma \times \frac{L}{E} = 270 \text{ MPa} \times \frac{300 \text{ mm}}{100 \times 10^3 \text{ MPa}} = 0.81 \text{ mm}$$

GATE-2b. Ans. (c) The stress in lower bar = $\frac{50 \times 1000}{50 \times 50} = 20 \text{ N/mm}^2$

The stress in upper bar = $\frac{250 \times 1000}{100 \times 100} = 25 \text{ N/mm}^2$

Thus the maximum tensile anywhere in the bar is 25 N/mm^2

GATE-2c. Ans. (d) There is no eccentricity between the XY segment and the load. So, it is subjected to axial force only. But the curved YZ segment is subjected to axial force, shear force and bending moment.

GATE-2d. Ans. 0.29 to 0.31 Poisson's ratio (μ) = $\frac{-\epsilon_y}{\epsilon_x} = \frac{-(-0.015/50)}{0.5/500} = 0.30$

GATE-3. Ans. (b)

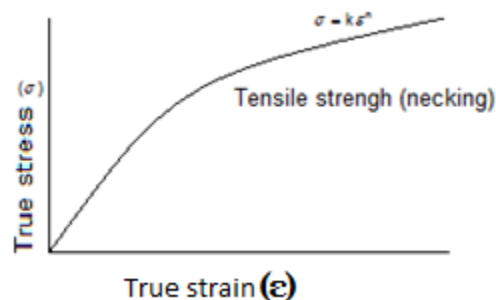
$$\epsilon_T = \ln(1 + \epsilon_o) = \ln(1 + 0.35) = 0.3$$

But at UTS $n = \epsilon_T$

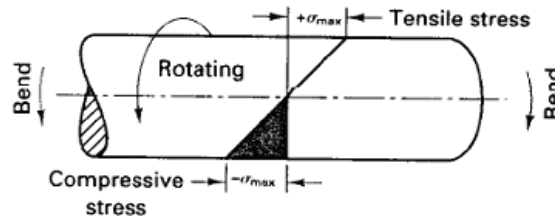
$$\sigma_f = \sigma_o(1 + 0.3) = 400(1 + 0.35) = 540 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_f = K \epsilon_T^n$$

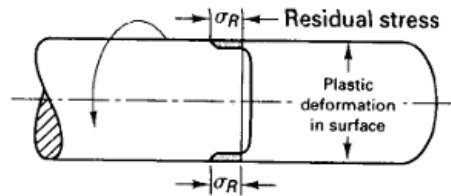
$$540 = K(0.3)^{0.3}$$



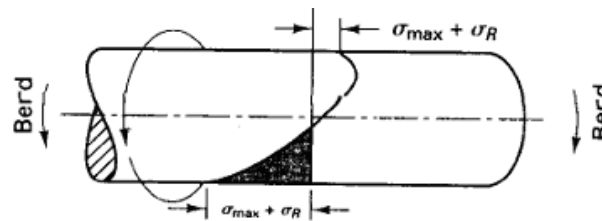
GATE-4. Ans. (d)



A cantilever-loaded rotating beam, showing the normal distribution of surface stresses. (i.e., tension at the top and compression at the bottom)



The residual compressive stresses induced.



Net stress pattern obtained when loading a surface treated beam. The reduced magnitude of the tensile stresses contributes to increased fatigue life.

GATE-5. Ans. (d)

GATE-6. Ans. (d)

GATE-7. Ans. 1.9 to 2.1 Actual answer is 2

GATE-7(i). Ans. (d) For longitudinal strain we need Young's modulus and for calculating transverse strain we need Poisson's ratio. We may calculate Poisson's ratio from $E = 2G(1 + \mu)$ for that we need Shear modulus.

GATE-7(ii) Ans. 0.35 to 0.36 Use $E = 2G(1 + \mu)$, $G/E = 0.35714$

GATE-8. Ans. (a)

GATE-9. Ans. (a) Remember $E = 2G(1 + \mu) = 3K(1 - 2\mu) = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}$

GATE-9(i) Ans.(a)

GATE-10. Answer: 77

Modulus of rigidity (G)

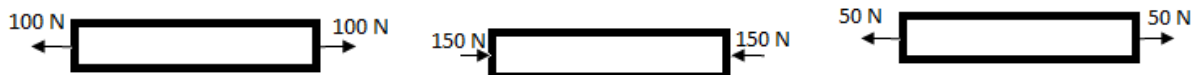
$$\sigma = E\varepsilon$$

$$\text{or } 200 = E \times 0.001$$

$$\text{Or } E = \frac{200}{0.001} = 200 \times 10^3 \text{ MPa} = 200 \text{ GPa}$$

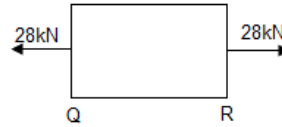
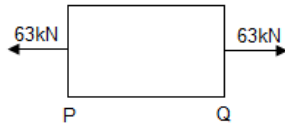
$$E = 2G(1 + \mu) \text{ or } G = \frac{E}{2(1 + \mu)} = \frac{200}{2(1 + 0.3)} = 77 \text{ GPa}$$

GATE-11. Ans. (b) First draw FBD of all parts separately then



$$\text{Total change in length} = \sum \frac{PL}{AE}$$

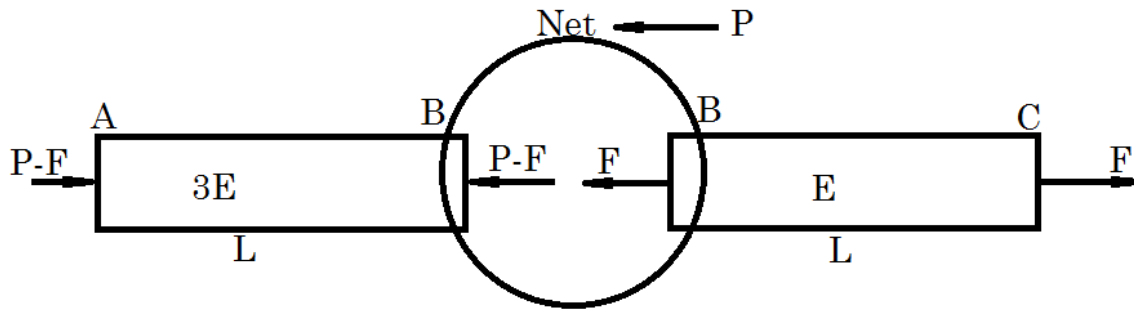
GATE-12. Ans. (a)



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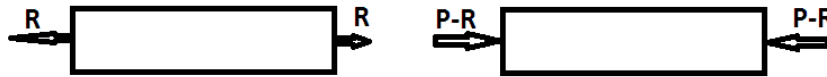
$$\sigma_{QR} = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{28000}{700} \text{ MPa} = 40 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-13. Ans. 4.0 (Range given 3.9 to 4.1)



$$\delta_{AB} (\text{Comp.}) = \delta_{BC} (\text{Tensile}) \quad \text{Or} \quad \frac{(P-F)L}{A \times 3E} = \frac{FL}{AE} \quad \text{Or} \quad \frac{P}{F} = 4.0$$

GATE-13a. Ans. (d)



$$\epsilon_{st} = \frac{R}{AE_{st}} = 10^{-6} \text{ (Tensile)}$$

$$R = 10^{-6} \times 1 \times 210 \times 10^9 \text{ N} = 210 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{and } \epsilon_{Al} = \frac{P-R}{AE_{Al}} = 10^{-6} \text{ (Compressive)}$$

$$P - 210 = \frac{10^{-6} \times 1 \times 70 \times 10^9}{1000} \text{ kN}$$

$$P = 280 \text{ kN}$$

GATE-14. Ans. (c) If the force in each of outer rods is P_0 and force in the central rod is P_c , then

$$2P_0 + P_c = 50 \quad \dots(i)$$

Also, the elongation of central rod and outer rods is same.

$$\therefore \frac{P_0 L_0}{A_0 E} = \frac{P_c L_c}{A_c E}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P_0 \times 2L}{2A} = \frac{P_c \times L}{3A}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_c = 3P_0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Solving (i) and (ii) we get

$$P_c = 30 \text{ kN and } P_0 = 10 \text{ kN}$$

GATE-15. Ans. (a) Thermal stress will develop only when you prevent the material to contract/elongate. As here it is free no thermal stress will develop.

$$\text{GATE-16. Ans. (a)} \quad \frac{\Delta V}{V} = \frac{p}{K} = \frac{a^3(1+\alpha T)^3 - a^3}{a^3}$$

$$\text{Or } \frac{p}{E} = 3\alpha T$$

$$\frac{p}{3(1-2\nu)} = 3\alpha T$$

$$\text{Or } p = \frac{\alpha(\Delta T)E}{(1-2\nu)} \text{ or stress}(\sigma) = -p = -\frac{\alpha(\Delta T)E}{(1-2\nu)} \text{ i.e. compressive}$$

Same question was asked in IES-2003 please refer question no. IES-48 in this chapter.

GATE-17. Ans. (c)

$$\text{Temperature stress} = \alpha TE = 12 \times 10^{-6} \times 10 \times 2 \times 10^5 = 24 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{GATE-18. Ans. 499 to 501 } \sigma = \alpha \Delta T E = (1 \times 10^{-5}) \times 250 \times (200 \times 10^9) = 500 \times 10^6 \text{ Pa} = 500 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-19. Ans. (c)

GATE-20. Ans. (a)

GATE-20a. Ans. 240 MPa (Compressive) Range given (239.9 MPa to 240.1 MPa)

$$L\alpha\Delta T - \delta = \frac{PL}{AE} \text{ or } L\alpha\Delta T - \delta = \frac{\sigma L}{E}$$

$$\text{or } \sigma = \alpha\Delta TE - \frac{\delta E}{L} = 10^{-5} \times 200 \times 200 \times 10^3 - \frac{0.2}{250} \times 200 \times 10^3$$

GATE-20b. Ans. 220 Range (218 to 222)

GATE-20c. Ans. Range (1.70 to 1.72)

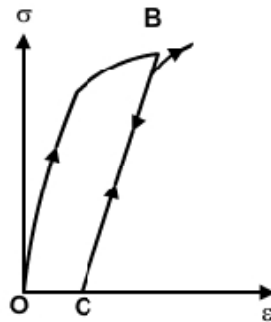
GATE-21. Ans. (a) Creep is due to constant load but depends on time.

GATE-22. Ans. (c)

GATE-22a. Ans. (c)

GATE-22b. Ans. (d) $E = \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\Delta\epsilon}$, In the plastic zone $\Delta\epsilon = 0$, Therefore E = Infinite

GATE-23. Ans. (b)



GATE-23a. Ans. (a)

GATE-23(i). Ans. (d)

GATE-24. Ans. 95.19

$$\text{True strain} = \ln \frac{100}{95} = 0.5129$$

$$\sigma = 500 \times (0.5129)^{0.1} = 371.51$$

Upto elastic limits using Hooke's Law

$$E = \frac{\sigma \times l}{\Delta l} \text{ or } 200 \times 10^9 = \frac{371.51 \times 10^6 \times 100}{\Delta l}$$

$$\Delta l = 0.18575 \text{ mm (considering this for elastic recovery)}$$

This is elastic component and after release of the compressive load this amount of recovery takes place.

This will be added to 95 mm. Therefore, final dimension = 95.18575 mm

GATE-25. Ans. (c)

GATE-26. Ans. (b)

GATE-27. Ans. (c) Pretension increase stiffness of system.

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$$\text{IES-1. Ans. (d)} \quad \delta = \frac{WL}{2AE} = \frac{\frac{\pi D^2}{4} \times L \times \rho \times g \times L}{2 \times \frac{\pi D^2}{4} \times E} \quad \text{or } \delta \propto L^2$$

IES-2. Ans. (c)

IES-3. Ans. (b)

IES-3a. Ans. (c) After application of load rigid beam will remain horizontal, therefore elongation of steel and aluminium will be same.

IES-4. Ans. (d)

IES-5. Ans. (c)

IES-6. Ans. (c)

IES-7. Ans. (a)

IES-7a. Ans. (d)

$$\text{IES-8. Ans. (b)} \quad \text{Elongation of a taper rod } (\delta l) = \frac{PL}{\frac{\pi}{4} d_1 d_2 E}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{(\delta l)_A}{(\delta l)_B} = \frac{(d_2)_B}{(d_2)_A} = \left(\frac{D/3}{D/2} \right) = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{IES-9. Ans. (c)} \quad \text{Actual elongation of the bar } (\delta l)_{\text{act}} = \frac{PL}{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} d_1 d_2 \right) E} = \frac{PL}{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \times 1.1D \times 0.9D \right) E}$$

$$\text{Calculated elongation of the bar } (\delta l)_{\text{cal}} = \frac{PL}{\frac{\pi D^2}{4} \times E}$$

$$\therefore \text{Error (\%)} = \frac{(\delta l)_{\text{act}} - (\delta l)_{\text{cal}}}{(\delta l)_{\text{cal}}} \times 100 = \left(\frac{D^2}{1.1D \times 0.9D} - 1 \right) \times 100\% = 1\%$$

$$\text{IES-10. Ans. (d)} \quad \text{Actual elongation of the bar } (\delta l)_{\text{act}} = \frac{PL}{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} d_1 d_2 \right) E}$$

IES-11. Ans. (b)

IES-11(i). Ans. (c)

IES-11(ii). Ans(c)

$$\text{Extension of tapered rod} = \frac{4Pl}{\pi E D_1 D_2} \quad \text{Extension of uniform diameter rod} = \frac{Pl}{AE}$$

$$\text{Ratio} = \frac{\frac{4Pl}{\pi E D_1 D_2}}{\frac{Pl}{\pi D^2 / 4 \times E}} = 2$$

IES-12. Ans. (a)

IES-13. Ans. (c) Theoretically $-1 < \mu < 1/2$ but practically $0 < \mu < 1/2$

IES-14. Ans. (c)

IES-15. Ans. (a) If Poisson's ratio is zero, then material is rigid.

IES-16. Ans. (a)

IES-17. Ans. (d) Note: Modulus of elasticity is the property of material. It will remain same.

IES-18. Ans. (a)

IES-19. Ans. (a) Strain energy stored by a body within elastic limit is known as resilience.

IES-19a. Ans. (d)

IES-19b. Ans. (b) Plastic deformation

- Following the elastic deformation, material undergoes plastic deformation.
- Also characterized by relation between stress and strain at constant strain rate and temperature.

- Microscopically...it involves breaking atomic bonds, moving atoms, then restoration of bonds.
- Stress-Strain relation here is complex because of atomic plane movement, dislocation movement, and the obstacles they encounter.
- Crystalline solids deform by processes – slip and twinning in particular directions.
- Amorphous solids deform by viscous flow mechanism without any directionality.
- Equations relating stress and strain are called constitutive equations.
- A true stress-strain curve is called flow curve as it gives the stress required to cause the material to flow plastically to certain strain.

IES-20. Ans. (c)

IES-21. Ans. (b)

IES-22. Ans. (c)

IES-22a. Ans. (d) Shaft means torsion and added bending load produce a reversed state of stress.

IES-22b. Ans. (a) Endurance limit is the design criteria for cyclic loading.

IES-23. Ans. (d)

IES-24. Ans. (c) A polished surface by grinding can take more number of cycles than a part with rough surface. In Hammer peening residual compressive stress lower the peak tensile stress

IES-25. Ans. (a)

IES-26. Ans. (c)

IES-26a. Ans. (d) Isotropic material is characterized by two independent elastic constant.

IES-27. Ans. (c)

IES-28. Ans. (d)

IES-28a. Ans. (b)

IES-29. Ans. (d)

IES-30. Ans. (a)

IES-31. Ans. (b) $E = 2G(1 + \mu)$ or $1.25 \times 10^5 = 2G(1 + 0.34)$ or $G = 0.4664 \times 10^5 \text{ MPa}$

IES-31(i). Ans. (d)

IES-31(ii). Ans. (d) $G = 70 \text{ GPa}$, $K = 150 \text{ GPa}$ We know,
 $E = 3K(1 - 2\mu) = 3 \times 150(1 - 2\mu) = 2G(1 + \mu) = 2 \times 70(1 + \mu)$

On solving the above equations we get, $\mu = 0.3$ & $E = 182 \text{ GPa}$

IES-31(iii). Ans. (b)

IES-32. Ans. (c)

IES-33. Ans. (d) $E = 2G(1 + \mu) = 3K(1 - 2\mu) = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}$

IES-34. Ans. (d) $E = 2G(1 + \mu) = 3K(1 - 2\mu) = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}$

IES-35. Ans. (c) $E = 2G(1 + \mu) = 3K(1 - 2\mu) = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}$

the value of μ must be between 0 to 0.5 so E never equal to G but if $\mu = \frac{1}{3}$ then

$E = K$ so ans. is c

IES-36. Ans. (b) Use $E = 2G(1 + \mu)$

IES-37. Ans. (a) $E = 2G(1 + \mu)$ or $G = \frac{E}{2(1 + \mu)} = \frac{200}{2 \times (1 + 0.25)} = 80 \text{ GN/m}^2$

IES-37a. Ans. (b)

IES-38. Ans. (d) Under plane stress condition, the strain in the direction perpendicular to the plane is not zero. It has been found experimentally that when a body is stressed within elastic limit, the lateral strain bears a constant ratio to the linear strain.

IES-38(i). Ans. (b)

IES-38a. Ans. (b) Axial strain (ϵ_x) = $\frac{\text{Lateral Strain}}{\text{Poisson's Ratio}} = \frac{60 \times 10^{-5}}{0.3} = 200 \times 10^{-5}$

$$E = \frac{\sigma_x}{\epsilon_x} = \frac{300 \times 10^6}{200 \times 10^{-5}} = 150 \text{ GPa}$$

IES-39. Ans. (b) Total load (P) = $8 \times \sigma \times \frac{\pi d^2}{4}$ or $d = \sqrt{\frac{P}{2\pi\sigma}} = \sqrt{\frac{980175}{2\pi \times 315}} = 22.25 \text{ mm}$

IES-39a. Ans. (a)

we know; $\delta = \frac{PL}{AE}$; $\delta_{old} = \delta_{new}$; $P_{old} = P_{new}$; $L_{old} = L_{new}$; $E_{old} = \frac{E_{new}}{2}$

$$\left(\frac{PL}{AE}\right)_{old} = \left(\frac{PL}{AE}\right)_{new} \quad \text{or} \quad A_{old}E_{old} = A_{new}E_{new}$$

$$\frac{E}{E/2} = \frac{A_{new}}{A_{old}} \Rightarrow A_{new} = 2 \times A_{old} = 2 \times 10^2$$

$$a_{new}^2 = 2 \times 10^2 \Rightarrow a_{new} = \sqrt{2} \times 10 = 14 \text{ mm}$$

IES-39b. Ans. (b) $\frac{PL}{A_S E} = \frac{PL}{A_H E}$ or $A_S = A_H$ or $d^2 = D^2 - \left(\frac{D}{2}\right)^2$ or $\frac{d}{D} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

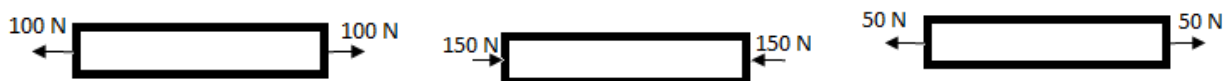
IES-40. Ans. (c) Compatibility equation insists that the change in length of the bar must be compatible with the boundary conditions. Here (a) is also correct but it is equilibrium equation.

IES-40(i) Ans. (a) Elongation will be same for this composite body

$$\frac{P_c L}{A_c E_c} = \frac{P_s L}{A_s E_s} \Rightarrow \frac{\sigma_c}{E_c} = \frac{\sigma_s}{E_s} \Rightarrow \frac{\sigma_c}{E_c} = \frac{100}{2E_c} \Rightarrow \sigma_c = 50 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

IES-41. Ans. (a)

IES-42. Ans. (b) First draw FBD of all parts separately then



$$\text{Total change in length} = \Delta \frac{PL}{AE}$$

IES-42a. Ans. (d) $\frac{1}{10 \times 10^{-6} \times 200 \times 10^9} [(200 \times 0.5) + (-200 \times 1) + (100 \times 0.5)] = -25 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$

IES-43. Ans. (a) Elongation in AC = length reduction in CB

$$\frac{R_A \times 1}{AE} = \frac{R_B \times 2}{AE}$$

$$\text{And } R_A + R_B = 10$$

IES-43(i) Ans. (b)

IES-44. Ans. (b)

IES-45. Ans. (d)

IES-46. Ans. (d) If we resist to expand then only stress will develop.

IES-47. Ans. (d)

IES-48. Ans. (b) $\frac{DV}{V} = \frac{s}{K} = \frac{a^3(1 + \alpha T)^3 - a^3}{a^3}$

$$\text{Or } \frac{\rho}{E} = \frac{3\alpha T}{3(1 - 2g)}$$

IES-49. Ans. (c)

IES-49(i). Ans. (c)

IES-50. Ans. (d) $\alpha E \Delta t = (12 \times 10^{-6}) \times (200 \times 10^3) \times (120 - 20) = 240 \text{ MPa}$

It will be compressive as elongation restricted.

IES-50a. Ans. (c) $L \cdot \alpha \cdot \Delta T = \frac{PL}{AE}$ or $P = \alpha \cdot \Delta T \cdot AE = 10 \times 10^{-6} \times 50 \times 20 \times 10^{-4} \times 200 \times 10^9 \text{ N} = 200 \text{ kN}$

IES-51. Ans. (a) co-efficient of volume expansion (γ) = 3 × co-efficient of linear expansion (α)

IES-52. Ans. (b)

IES-53. Ans. (b) Let compression of the spring = x m

Therefore spring force = kx kN

Expansion of the rod due to temperature rise = $L \alpha \Delta t$

Reduction in the length due to compression force = $\frac{(kx) \times L}{AE}$

$$\text{Now } L \alpha \Delta t - \frac{(kx) \times L}{AE} = x$$

$$\text{Or } x = \frac{0.5 \times 12.5 \times 10^{-6} \times 20}{\left\{ 1 + \frac{50 \times 0.5}{\frac{\pi \times 0.010^2}{4} \times 200 \times 10^6} \right\}} = 0.125 \text{ mm}$$

$$\therefore \text{Compressive stress} = -\frac{kx}{A} = -\frac{50 \times 0.125}{\left(\frac{\pi \times 0.010^2}{4} \right)} = -0.07945 \text{ MPa}$$

IES-53a. Ans. (d)

IES-53b. Ans. (d) Free expansion = $L \cdot \alpha \cdot \Delta T = 10 \times 10^3 \times 12 \times 10^{-6} \times 40 = 4.8 \text{ mm}$
Permitted expansion = 4 mm, Expansion resisted = 0.8 mm

$$\delta = \frac{PL}{AE} = \frac{\sigma L}{E} \text{ or } \sigma = \frac{\delta E}{L} = \frac{0.8 \times 200 \times 10^3}{10000} \text{ MPa} = 16 \text{ MPa}$$

IES-54. Ans. (d) Stress in the rod due to temperature rise = $(\alpha \Delta t) \times E$

IES-54(i) Ans. (c) $L_{Al} \alpha_{Al} \Delta T - L_s \alpha_s \Delta T = 10 \text{ mm}$

$$8000 \times 23 \times 10^{-6} \times \Delta T - 8005 \times 12 \times 10^{-6} \times \Delta T = 10 \text{ mm}$$

$$\Delta T = 113.7^\circ \text{C} \therefore \text{Answer} = 113.7 + 30 = 143.7^\circ \text{C}$$

IES-54(ii) Ans. (b)

IES-55. Ans. (c)

IES-56. Ans. (d) A is false but R is correct.

IES-57. Ans. (d)

IES-58. Ans. (b)

IES-59. Ans. (d)

IES-60. Ans. (b)

IES-61. Ans. (a)

IES-61(i). Ans. (a)

$$\text{IES-62. Ans. (b)} \quad \sigma_c = \frac{W}{\frac{\pi d^2}{4}} \text{ or } W = \sigma_c \times \frac{\pi d^2}{4};$$

$$W_{\text{safe}} = \frac{W}{\text{fos}} = \frac{\sigma_c \times \pi \times d^2}{\text{fos} \times 4} = \frac{280 \times \pi \times 36^2}{1.5 \times 4} \text{ N} = 190 \text{ kN}$$

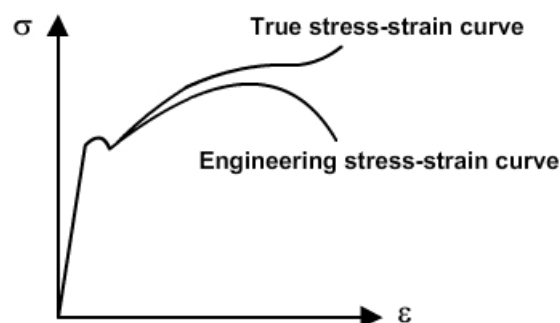
IES-63. Ans. (b)

IES-63a. Ans. (b)

IES-64. Ans. (a) A crack parallel to the direction of length of hub means the failure was due to tensile hoop stress only.

IES-65. Ans. (d)

IES-66. Ans. (d)



IES-67. Ans. (c)

IES-68. Ans. (c)

IES-69. Ans. (c) Truss members will be subjected to tension and cast iron is weak in tension.

IES-70. Ans. (c)

$$\text{IES-71. Ans. (c)} \quad \text{Stress}(\sigma) = \frac{P}{A} \quad \text{Elastic Strain}(\epsilon_E) = \frac{\sigma}{E}$$

IAS

IAS-1. Ans. (d) Elongation due to self weight = $\frac{WL}{2AE} = \frac{(\delta ALg)L}{2AE} = \frac{\delta L^2 g}{2E}$

IAS-2. Ans. (b)

IAS-3. Ans. (a) The extension of the taper rod = $\frac{Pl}{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} D_1 D_2\right) E}$

IAS-4. Ans. (a)

IAS-5. ans. (d)

IAS-6. Ans. (b)

IAS-7. Ans. (d) Bulk modulus of elasticity (K) = $\frac{P}{\varepsilon_v}$ or $\varepsilon_v = \frac{P}{K} = \frac{1.5}{2800} = 535 \times 10^{-6}$

IAS-8. Ans. (a)

IAS-9. Ans. (d)

IAS-10. Ans. (a)

IAS-11. Ans. (b) $E = 2G(1 + \mu)$ or $1.25 \times 10^5 = 2G(1 + 0.34)$ or $G = 0.4664 \times 10^5$ MPa

IAS-12. Ans. (a) $E = 2G(1 + \mu) \Rightarrow 1 + \mu = \frac{E}{2G} \Rightarrow \mu = \left(\frac{E}{2G} - 1\right) = \left(\frac{2.5}{2} - 1\right) = 0.25$

IAS-13. Ans. (c)

IAS-14. Ans. (b) $E = 2G(1 + \mu) = 3k(1 - 2\mu)$

IAS-15. Ans. (b) E, G, K and μ represent the elastic modulus, shear modulus, bulk modulus and poisons ratio respectively of a 'linearly elastic, isotropic and homogeneous material.' To express the stress – strain relations completely for this material; at least **any two** of the four must be

known. $E = 2G(1 + \mu) = 3K(1 - 3\mu) = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}$

IAS-16. Ans. (c) $E = 2G(1 + \mu)$ or $\mu = \frac{E}{2G} - 1 = \frac{200}{2 \times 80} - 1 = 0.25$

IAS-17. Ans. (a) Elongation in AC = length reduction in CB

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It will be compressive as elongation restricted.

IAS-19. Ans. (c) Thermal stress will develop only if expansion is restricted.

IAS-20. Ans. (a) Dimensional analysis gives (a) is wrong

IAS-21. Ans. (d)

IAS-22. Ans. (d)

IAS-23. Ans. (b)

IAS-24. Ans. (b)

IAS-25. Ans. (b)

IAS-26. Ans. (d)

IAS-27. Ans. (d)

IAS-28. Ans. (a) Up to elastic limit.

IAS-29. Ans. (b)

IAS-30. Ans. (d)

IAS-31. Ans. (a)

IAS-32. Ans. (a)

IAS-33. Ans. (d) In compression tests of ductile materials fractures is seldom obtained. Compression is accompanied by lateral expansion and a compressed cylinder ultimately assumes the shape of a flat disc.

IAS-34. Ans. (a)

IAS-35. Ans. (c) Steel is the highly elastic material because it is deformed least on loading, and regains its original form on removal of the load.

IAS-36. Ans. (a)

IAS-37. Ans. (a)

IAS-38. Ans. (b)

IAS-39. Ans. (b)

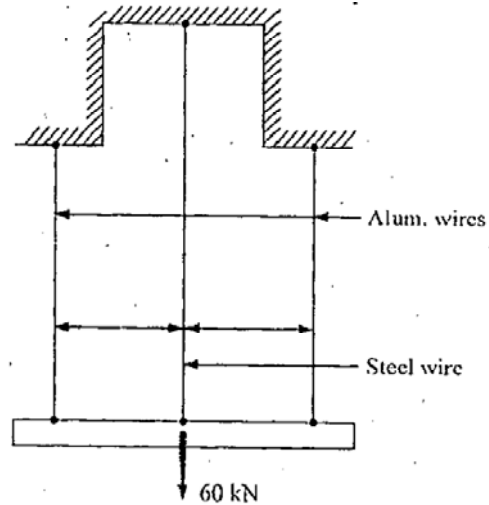
Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES-2010

Q. If a load of 60 kN is applied to a rigid bar suspended by 3 wires as shown in the above figure what force will be resisted by each wire?

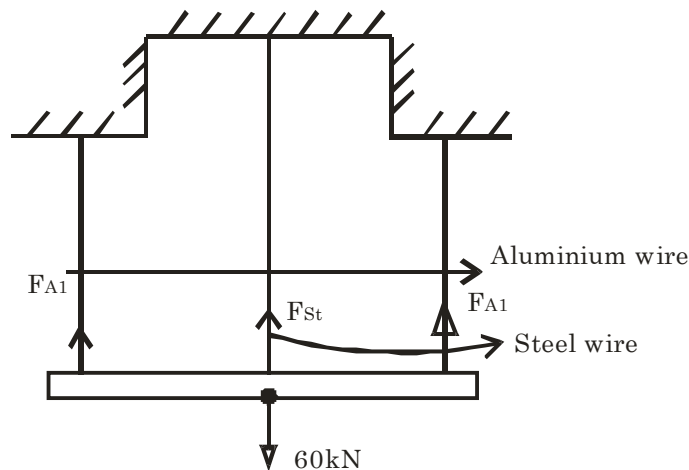
The outside wires are of Al, cross-sectional area 300 mm² and length 4 m. The central wire is steel with area 200 mm² and length 8 m.

Initially there is no slack in the wires $E = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ for Steel
 $= 0.667 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ for Aluminum



[2 Marks]

Ans.



$$P = 60 \text{ kN}$$

$$a_{Al} = 300 \text{ mm}^2 \quad l_{Al} = 4 \text{ m}$$

$$a_{st} = 200 \text{ mm}^2 \quad l_{st} = 8 \text{ m}$$

$$E_{Al} = 0.667 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$E_{st} = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Force balance along vertical direction

$$2F_{Al} + F_{st} = 60 \text{ kN} \quad (1)$$

Elongation will be same in all wires because rod is rigid remain horizontal after loading

$$\frac{F_{Al} \times l_{Al}}{a_{Al} \cdot E_{Al}} = \frac{F_{st} \cdot l_{st}}{a_{st} \cdot E_{st}} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{F_{Al} \times 4}{300 \times 0.667 \times 10^5} = \frac{F_{st} \times 8}{200 \times 2 \times 10^5}$$

$$F_{Al} = 1.0005 F_{st} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{From equation (1)} \quad F_{st} = \frac{60 \times 10^3}{3.001} = 19.99 \text{ kN or } 20 \text{ kN}$$

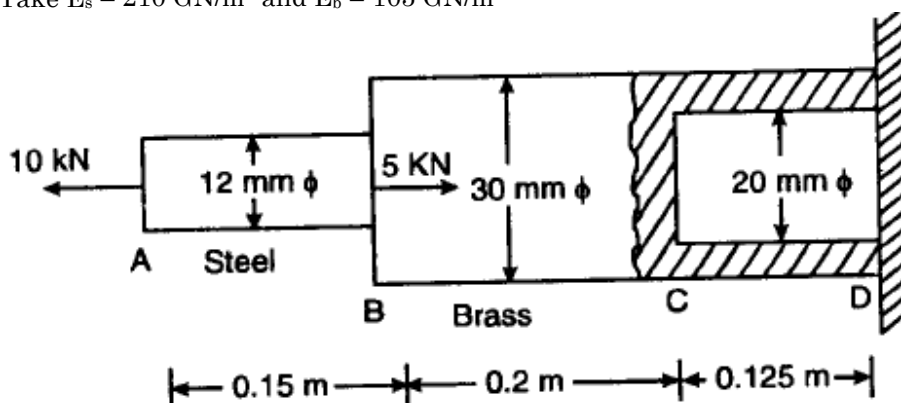
$$F_{A1} = 20 \text{ kN}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} F_{A1} = 20 \text{ kN} \\ F_{st} = 20 \text{ kN} \end{array} \right\} \text{Answer.}$$

Conventional Question GATE

Question: The diameters of the brass and steel segments of the axially loaded bar shown in figure are 30 mm and 12 mm respectively. The diameter of the hollow section of the brass segment is 20 mm.

Determine: (i) The maximum normal stress in the steel and brass (ii) The displacement of the free end ;
Take $E_s = 210 \text{ GN/m}^2$ and $E_b = 105 \text{ GN/m}^2$



Answer: $A_s = \frac{\pi}{4} \times (12)^2 = 36\pi \text{ mm}^2 = 36\pi \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$

$$(A_b)_{BC} = \frac{\pi}{4} \times (30)^2 = 225\pi \text{ mm}^2 = 225\pi \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$$

$$(A_b)_{CD} = \frac{\pi}{4} \times (30^2 - 20^2) = 125\pi \text{ mm}^2 = 125\pi \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$$

(i) The maximum normal stress in steel and brass:

$$\sigma_s = \frac{10 \times 10^3}{36\pi \times 10^{-6}} \times 10^{-6} \text{ MN/m}^2 = 88.42 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

$$(\sigma_b)_{BC} = \frac{5 \times 10^3}{225\pi \times 10^{-6}} \times 10^{-6} \text{ MN/m}^2 = 7.07 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

$$(\sigma_b)_{CD} = \frac{5 \times 10^3}{125\pi \times 10^{-6}} \times 10^{-6} \text{ MN/m}^2 = 12.73 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

(ii) The displacement of the free end:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta l &= (\delta l)_s + (\delta l)_b + (\delta l)_b \\ &= \frac{88.42 \times 0.15}{210 \times 10^9 \times 10^{-6}} + \frac{7.07 \times 0.2}{105 \times 10^9 \times 10^{-6}} + \frac{12.73 \times 0.125}{105 \times 10^9 \times 10^{-6}} \quad \left(\because \delta l = \frac{\sigma l}{E} \right) \\ &= 9.178 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m} = 0.09178 \text{ mm} \end{aligned}$$

Conventional Question IES-1999

Question: Distinguish between fatigue strength and fatigue limit.

Answer: Fatigue strength as the value of cyclic stress at which failure occurs after N cycles. And fatigue limit as the limiting value of stress at which failure occurs as N becomes very large (sometimes called infinite cycle)

Conventional Question IES-1999

Question: List at least two factors that promote transition from ductile to brittle fracture.

Answer: (i) With the grooved specimens only a small reduction in area took place, and the appearance of the fracture was like that of brittle materials.

- (ii) By internal cavities, thermal stresses and residual stresses may combine with the effect of the stress concentration at the cavity to produce a crack. The resulting fracture will have the characteristics of a brittle failure without appreciable plastic flow, although the material may prove ductile in the usual tensile tests.

Conventional Question IES-1999

Question: Distinguish between creep and fatigue.

Answer: Fatigue is a phenomenon associated with variable loading or more precisely to cyclic stressing or straining of a material, metallic, components subjected to variable loading get fatigue, which leads to their premature failure under specific conditions.

When a member is subjected to a constant load over a long period of time it undergoes a slow permanent deformation and this is termed as "Creep". This is dependent on temperature.

Conventional Question IES-2008

Question: What different stresses set-up in a bolt due to initial tightening, while used as a fastener? Name all the stresses in detail.

Answer: (i) When the nut is initially tightened there will be some elongation in the bolt so tensile stress will develop.
(ii) While it is tightening a torque across some shear stress. But when tightening will be completed there should be no shear stress.

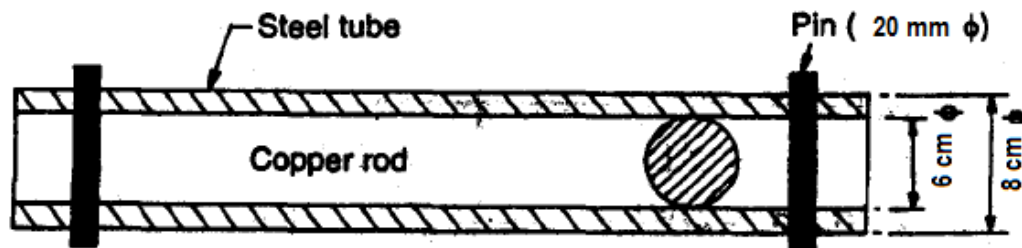
Conventional Question IES-2008

Question: A Copper rod 6 cm in diameter is placed within a steel tube, 8 cm external diameter and 6 cm internal diameter, of exactly the same length. The two pieces are rigidly fixed together by two transverse pins 20 mm in diameter, one at each end passing through both rod and the tube.

Calculate the stresses induced in the copper rod, steel tube and the pins if the temperature of the combination is raised by 50°C.

[Take $E_s = 210 \text{ GPa}$, $\alpha_s = 0.0000115 / ^\circ \text{C}$; $E_c = 105 \text{ GPa}$, $\alpha_c = 0.000017 / ^\circ \text{C}$]

Answer:



$$\frac{\sigma_c}{E_c} + \frac{\sigma_s}{E_s} = \Delta t(\alpha_c - \alpha_s)$$

$$\text{Area of copper rod}(A_c) = \frac{\pi d^2}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{6}{100} \right)^2 m^2 = 2.8274 \times 10^{-3} m^2$$

$$\text{Area of steel tube}(A_s) = \frac{\pi d^2}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4} \left[\left(\frac{8}{100} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{6}{100} \right)^2 \right] m^2 = 2.1991 \times 10^{-3} m^2$$

Rise in temperature, $\Delta t = 50^\circ \text{C}$

Free expansion of copper bar $= \alpha_c L \Delta t$

Free expansion of steel tube $= \alpha_s L \Delta t$

Difference in free expansion $= (\alpha_c - \alpha_s) L \Delta t$

$$= (17 - 11.5) \times 10^{-6} \times L \times 50 = 2.75 \times 10^{-4} L m$$

A compressive force (P) exerted by the steel tube on the copper rod opposed the extra expansion of the copper rod and the copper rod exerts an equal tensile force P to pull the steel

tube. In this combined effect reduction in copper rod and increase in length of steel tube equalize the difference in free expansions of the combined system.

Reduction in the length of copper rod due to force P Newton=

$$(\Delta L)_c = \frac{PL}{A_c E_c} = \frac{PL}{(2.8275 \times 10^{-3})(105 \times 10^9)} \text{ m}$$

Increase in length of steel tube due to force P

$$(\Delta L)_s = \frac{PL}{A_s E_s} = \frac{P.L}{(2.1991 \times 10^{-3})(210 \times 10^9)} \text{ m}$$

Difference in length is equated

$$(\Delta L)_c + (\Delta L)_s = 2.75 \times 10^{-4} L$$

$$\frac{PL}{(2.8275 \times 10^{-3})(105 \times 10^9)} + \frac{P.L}{(2.1991 \times 10^{-3})(210 \times 10^9)} = 2.75 \times 10^{-4} L$$

Or P = 49.695 kN

$$\text{Stress in copper rod, } \sigma_c = \frac{P}{A_c} = \frac{49695}{2.8275 \times 10^{-3}} \text{ MPa} = 17.58 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Stress in steel tube, } \sigma_s = \frac{P}{A_s} = \frac{49695}{2.1991 \times 10^{-3}} \text{ MPa} = 22.6 \text{ MPa}$$

Since each of the pin is in double shear, shear stress in pins (τ_{pin})

$$= \frac{P}{2 \times A_{pin}} = \frac{49695}{2 \times \frac{\pi}{4} (0.02)^2} = 79 \text{ MPa}$$

Conventional Question IES-2002

Question: Why are the bolts, subjected to impact, made longer?

Answer: If we increase length its volume will increase so shock absorbing capacity will increase.

Conventional Question IES-2007

Question: Explain the following in brief:

- (i) Effect of size on the tensile strength
- (ii) Effect of surface finish on endurance limit.

Answer: (i) When size of the specimen increases tensile strength decrease. It is due to the reason that if size increases there should be more change of defects (voids) into the material which reduces the strength appreciably.
(ii) If the surface finish is poor, the endurance strength is reduced because of scratches present in the specimen. From the scratch crack propagation will start.

Conventional Question IES-2004

Question: Mention the relationship between three elastic constants i.e. elastic modulus (E), rigidity modulus (G), and bulk modulus (K) for any Elastic material. How is the Poisson's ratio (μ) related to these moduli?

$$\text{Answer: } E = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}$$

$$E = 3K(1 - 2\mu) = 2G(1 + \mu) = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}$$

Conventional Question IES-1996

Question: The elastic and shear moduli of an elastic material are 2×10^{11} Pa and 8×10^{10} Pa respectively. Determine Poisson's ratio of the material.

Answer: We know that $E = 2G(1 + \mu) = 3K(1 - 2\mu) = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}$

$$\text{or, } 1 + \mu = \frac{E}{2G}$$

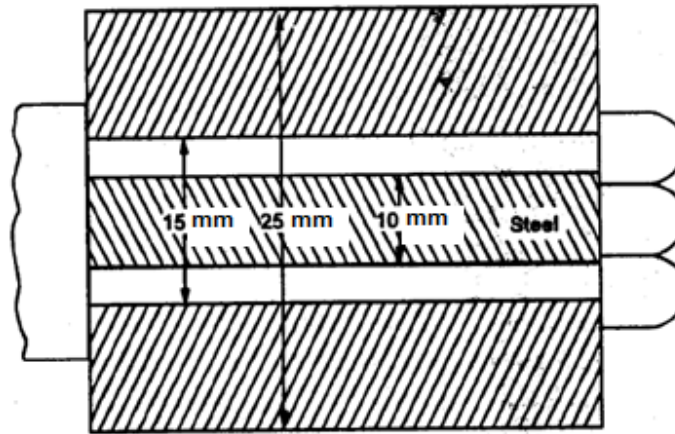
$$\text{or } \mu = \frac{E}{2G} - 1 = \frac{2 \times 10^{11}}{2 \times (8 \times 10^{10})} - 1 = 0.25$$

Conventional Question IES-2003

Question: A steel bolt of diameter 10 mm passes through a brass tube of internal diameter 15 mm and external diameter 25 mm. The bolt is tightened by a nut so that the length of tube is reduced by 1.5 mm. If the temperature of the assembly is raised by 40°C, estimate the axial stresses the bolt and the tube before and after heating. Material properties for steel and brass are:

$$E_s = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2 \quad \alpha_s = 1.2 \times 10^{-5} / ^\circ \text{C} \text{ and } E_b = 1 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2 \quad \alpha_b = 1.9 \times 10^{-5} / ^\circ \text{C}$$

Answer:



$$\text{Area of steel bolt } (A_s) = \frac{\pi}{4} \times (0.010)^2 \text{ m}^2 = 7.854 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{Area of brass tube } (A_b) = \frac{\pi}{4} [(0.025)^2 - (0.015)^2] = 3.1416 \times 10^{-4}$$

Stress due to tightening of the nut

Compressive force on brass tube = tensile force on steel bolt

$$\text{or, } \sigma_b A_b = \sigma_s A_s$$

$$\text{or, } E_b \frac{(\Delta L)_b}{\ell} A_b = \sigma_s A_s \quad \left[\because E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} = \frac{\sigma}{\left(\frac{\Delta L}{L}\right)} \right]$$

Let assume total length (ℓ) = 1m

$$\text{Therefore } (1 \times 10^5 \times 10^6) \times \frac{(1.5 \times 10^{-3})}{1} \times (3.1416 \times 10^{-4}) = \sigma_s \times 7.854 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{or } \sigma_s = 600 \text{ MPa (tensile)}$$

$$\text{and } \sigma_b = E_b \frac{(\Delta L)_b}{\ell} = (1 \times 10^5) \times \frac{(1.5 \times 10^{-3})}{1} \text{ MPa} = 150 \text{ MPa (Compressive)}$$

So before heating

$$\text{Stress in brass tube } (\sigma_b) = 150 \text{ MPa (compressive)}$$

$$\text{Stress in steel bolt } (\sigma_s) = 600 \text{ MPa (tensile)}$$

Stress due to rise of temperature

Let stress σ'_b & σ'_s are due to brass tube and steel bolt.

If the two members had been free to expand,

Free expansion of steel = $\alpha_s \times \Delta t \times l$

Free expansion of brass tube = $\alpha_b \times \Delta t \times l$

Since $\alpha_b > \alpha_s$ free expansion of copper is greater than the free expansion of steel. But they are rigidly fixed so final expansion of each members will be same. Let us assume this final expansion is ' δ ', The free expansion of brass tube is greater than δ , while the free expansion of steel is less than δ . Hence the steel rod will be subjected to a tensile stress while the brass tube will be subjected to a compressive stress.

For the equilibrium of the whole system,

Total tension (Pull) in steel = Total compression (Push) in brass tube.

$$\sigma'_b A_b = \sigma'_s A_s \text{ or, } \sigma'_b = \sigma'_s \times \frac{A_s}{A_b} = \frac{7.854 \times 10^{-5}}{3.14 \times 10^{-4}} \sigma'_s = 0.25 \sigma'_s$$

Final expansion of steel = final expansion of brass tube

$$\alpha_s (\Delta t) \cdot l + \frac{\sigma'_s}{E_s} \times l = \alpha_b (\Delta t) \times l - \frac{\sigma'_b}{E_b} \times l$$

$$\text{or, } (1.2 \times 10^{-5}) \times 40 \times 1 + \frac{\sigma'_s}{2 \times 10^5 \times 10^6} = (1.9 \times 10^{-5}) \times 40 \times 1 - \frac{\sigma'_b}{1 \times 10^5 \times 10^6} \quad \text{---(ii)}$$

From (i) & (ii) we get

$$\sigma'_s \left[\frac{1}{2 \times 10^{11}} + \frac{0.25}{10^{11}} \right] = 2.8 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{or, } \sigma'_s = 37.33 \text{ MPa (Tensile stress)}$$

$$\text{or, } \sigma'_b = 9.33 \text{ MPa (compressive)}$$

Therefore, the final stresses due to tightening and temperature rise

$$\text{Stress in brass tube} = \sigma_b + \sigma'_b = 150 + 9.33 \text{ MPa} = 159.33 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Stress in steel bolt} = \sigma_s + \sigma'_s = 600 + 37.33 = 637.33 \text{ MPa.}$$

Conventional Question IES-1997

Question: A Solid right cone of axial length h is made of a material having density ρ and elasticity modulus E . It is suspended from its circular base. Determine its elongation due to its self weight.

Answer: See in the figure MNH is a solid right cone of length ' h '.

Let us assume its wider end of diameter ' d ' fixed rigidly at MN.

Now consider a small strip of thickness dy at a distance y from the lower end.

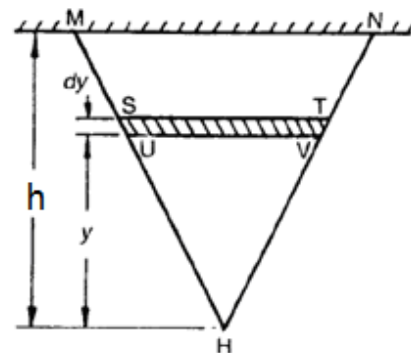
Let ' d_s ' is the diameter of the strip.

$$\therefore \text{Weight of portion UVH} = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\pi d_s^2}{4} \right) y \times \rho g \quad \text{---(i)}$$

From the similar triangles MNH and UVH,

$$\frac{MN}{UV} = \frac{d}{d_s} = \frac{h}{y}$$

$$\text{or, } d_s = \frac{d \cdot y}{h} \quad \text{---(ii)}$$



$$\therefore \text{Stress at section UV} = \frac{\text{force at UV}}{\text{cross-section area at UV}} = \frac{\text{Weight of UVH}}{\left(\frac{\pi d_s^2}{4}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{\pi d_s^2}{4} \cdot y \cdot \rho g}{\left(\frac{\pi d_s^2}{4}\right)} = \frac{1}{3} y \rho g$$

$$\text{So, extension in } dy = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3} y \rho g\right) \cdot dy}{E}$$

$$\therefore \text{Total extension of the bar} = \int_0^h \frac{\frac{1}{3} y \rho g dy}{E} = \frac{\rho g h^2}{6E}$$

From stress-strain relation ship

$$E = \frac{\delta}{\epsilon} = \frac{\delta}{\frac{d\ell}{\ell}} \text{ or, } d\ell = \frac{\delta \cdot \ell}{E}$$

Conventional Question IES-2004

Question: Which one of the three shafts listed here has the highest ultimate tensile strength? Which is the approximate carbon content in each steel?

(i) Mild Steel (ii) cast iron (iii) spring steel

Answer: Among three steel given, spring steel has the highest ultimate tensile strength.

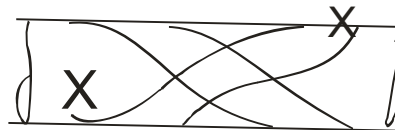
Approximate carbon content in

- (i) Mild steel is (0.3% to 0.8%)
- (ii) Cost iron (2% to 4%)
- (iii) Spring steel (0.4% to 1.1%)

Conventional Question IES-2003

Question: If a rod of brittle material is subjected to pure torsion, show with help of a sketch, the plane along which it will fail and state the reason for its failure.

Answer: Brittle materials fail in tension. In a torsion test the maximum tensile test Occurs at 45° to the axis of the shaft. So failure will occurs along a 45° to the axis of the shaft. So failure will occurs along a 45° helix

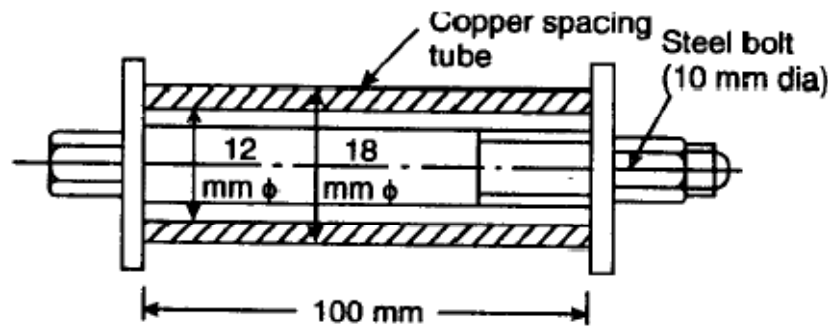


So failures will occurs according to 45° plane.

Conventional Question IAS-1995

Question: The steel bolt shown in Figure has a thread pitch of 1.6 mm. If the nut is initially tightened up by hand so as to cause no stress in the copper spacing tube, calculate the stresses induced in the tube and in the bolt if a spanner is then used to turn the nut through 90°. Take E_c and E_s as 100 GPa and 209 GPa respectively.

Answer: Given: $p = 1.6$ mm, $E_c = 100$ GPa ; $E_s = 209$ CPa.



Stresses induced in the tube and the bolt, σ_c, σ_s :

$$A_s = \frac{\pi}{4} \times \left(\frac{10}{1000} \right)^2 = 7.584 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$$

$$A_c = \frac{\pi}{4} \times \left[\left(\frac{18}{1000} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{12}{1000} \right)^2 \right] = 14.14 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$$

Tensile force on steel bolt, P_s = compressive force in copper tube, $P_c = P$

Also, Increase in length of bolt + decrease in length of tube = axial displacement of nut

i.e. $(\delta l)_s + (\delta l)_c = 1.6 \times \frac{90}{360} = 0.4 \text{ mm} = 0.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$

or $\frac{Pl}{A_s E_s} + \frac{Pl}{A_c E_c} = 0.4 \times 10^{-3} \quad (\because l_s = l_c = l)$

or $P \times \left(\frac{100}{1000} \right) \left[\frac{1}{7.584 \times 10^{-5} \times 209 \times 10^9} + \frac{1}{14.14 \times 10^{-5} \times 100 \times 10^9} \right] = 0.4 \times 10^{-3}$

or $P = 30386 \text{ N}$

$\therefore \frac{P}{A_s} = 386.88 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{P}{A_c} = 214.89 \text{ MPa}$

Conventional Question AMIE-1997

Question: A steel wire 2 m long and 3 mm in diameter is extended by 0.75 mm when a weight W is suspended from the wire. If the same weight is suspended from a brass wire, 2.5 m long and 2 mm in diameter, it is elongated by 4.64 mm. Determine the modulus of elasticity of brass if that of steel be $2.0 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$

Answer: Given, $l_s = 2 \text{ m}$, $d_s = 3 \text{ mm}$, $\delta l_s = 0.75 \text{ mm}$; $E_s = 2.0 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$; $l_b = 2.5 \text{ m}$, $d_b = 2 \text{ mm}$ $\delta l_b = 4.64 \text{ mm}$ and let modulus of elasticity of brass = E_b

Hooke's law gives, $\delta l = \frac{Pl}{AE}$ [Symbol has usual meaning]

Case I: For steel wire:

$$\delta l_s = \frac{Pl_s}{A_s E_s}$$

or $0.75 = \frac{P \times (2 \times 1000)}{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \times 3^2 \right) \times 2.0 \times 10^5 \times \frac{1}{2000}} \quad \text{---- (i)}$

Case II: For brass wire:

$$\delta l_b = \frac{Pl_b}{A_b E_b}$$

$$4.64 = \frac{P \times (2.5 \times 1000)}{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \times 2^2\right) \times E_b} \quad \text{---- (ii)}$$

$$\text{or} \quad P = 4.64 \times \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \times 2^2\right) \times E_b \times \frac{1}{2500}$$

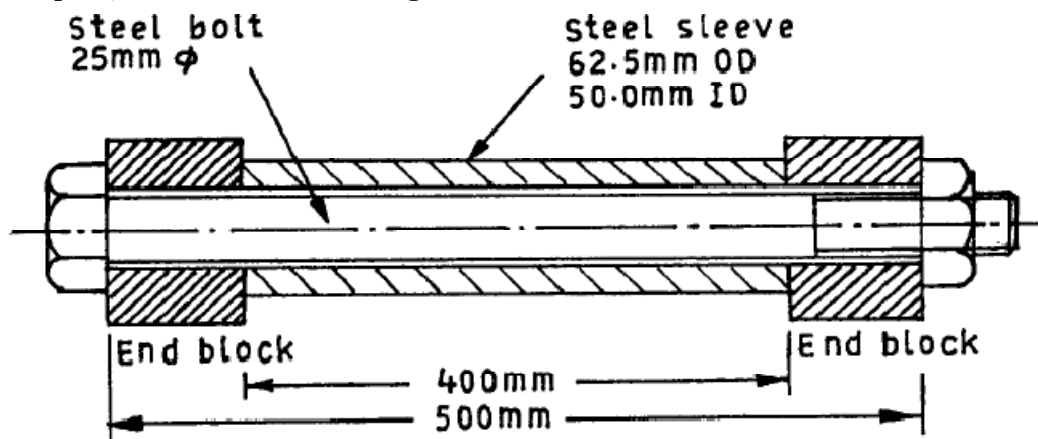
From (i) and (ii), we get

$$0.75 \times \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \times 3^2\right) \times 2.0 \times 10^5 \times \frac{1}{2000} = 4.64 \times \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \times 2^2\right) \times E_b \times \frac{1}{2500}$$

$$\text{or} \quad E_b = 0.909 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Conventional Question AMIE-1997

Question: A steel bolt and sleeve assembly is shown in figure below. The nut is tightened up on the tube through the rigid end blocks until the tensile force in the bolt is 40 kN. If an external load 30 kN is then applied to the end blocks, tending to pull them apart, estimate the resulting force in the bolt and sleeve.



Answer: Area of steel bolt, $A_b = \left(\frac{25}{1000}\right)^2 = 4.908 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$

$$\text{Area of steel sleeve, } A_s = \frac{\pi}{4} \left[\left(\frac{62.5}{1000}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{50}{1000}\right)^2 \right] = 1.104 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$$

Forces in the bolt and sleeve:

(i) Stresses due to tightening the nut:

Let σ_b = stress developed in steel bolt due to tightening the nut; and

σ_s = stress developed in steel sleeve due to tightening the nut.

Tensile force in the steel bolt = 40 kN = 0.04 MN

$$\sigma_b \times A_b = 0.04$$

$$\text{or} \quad \sigma_b \times 4.908 \times 10^{-4} = 0.04$$

$$\therefore \sigma_b = \frac{0.04}{4.908 \times 10^{-4}} = 81.5 \text{ MN/m}^2 \text{ (tensile)}$$

Compressive force in steel sleeve = 0.04 MN

$$\sigma_s \times A_s = 0.04$$

$$\text{or} \quad \sigma_s \times 1.104 \times 10^{-3} = 0.04$$

$$\therefore \sigma_s = \frac{0.04}{1.104 \times 10^{-3}} = 36.23 \text{ MN/m}^2 \text{ (compressive)}$$

(ii) Stresses due to tensile force:

Let the stresses developed due to tensile force of $30 \text{ kN} = 0.03 \text{ MN}$ in steel bolt and sleeve be σ'_b and σ'_s respectively.

Then, $\sigma'_b \times A_b + \sigma'_s \times A_s = 0.03$

$$\sigma'_b \times 4.908 \times 10^{-4} + \sigma'_s \times 1.104 \times 10^{-3} = 0.03 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

In a compound system with an external tensile load, elongation caused in each will be the same.

$$\delta l_b = \frac{\sigma'_b}{E_b} \times l_b$$

$$\text{or } \delta l_b = \frac{\sigma'_b}{E_b} \times 0.5 \quad (\text{Given, } l_b = 500 \text{ mm} = 0.5)$$

$$\text{and } \delta l_s = \frac{\sigma'_s}{E_s} \times 0.4 \quad (\text{Given, } l_s = 400 \text{ mm} = 0.4)$$

But $\delta l_b = \delta l_s$

$$\therefore \frac{\sigma'_b}{E_b} \times 0.5 = \frac{\sigma'_s}{E_s} \times 0.4$$

$$\text{or } \sigma'_b = 0.8 \sigma'_s \quad (\text{Given, } E_b = E_s) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Substituting this value in (1), we get

$$0.8 \sigma'_s \times 4.908 \times 10^{-4} + \sigma'_s \times 1.104 \times 10^{-3} = 0.03$$

gives $\sigma'_s = 20 \text{ MN/m}^2$ (tensile)

and $\sigma'_b = 0.8 \times 20 = 16 \text{ MN/m}^2$ (tensile)

Resulting stress in steel bolt,

$$(\sigma_b)_r = \sigma_b + \sigma'_b = 81.5 + 16 = 97.5 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

Resulting stress in steelsleeve,

$$(\sigma_s)_r = \sigma_s + \sigma'_s = 36.23 - 20 = 16.23 \text{ MN/m}^2 \text{ (compressive)}$$

Resulting force in steel bolt, $= (\sigma_b)_r \times A_b$

$$= 97.5 \times 4.908 \times 10^{-4} = 0.0478 \text{ MN (tensile)}$$

Resulting force in steelsleeve $= (\sigma_s)_r \times A_s$

$$= 16.23 \times 1.104 \times 10^{-3} = 0.0179 \text{ MN (compressive)}$$

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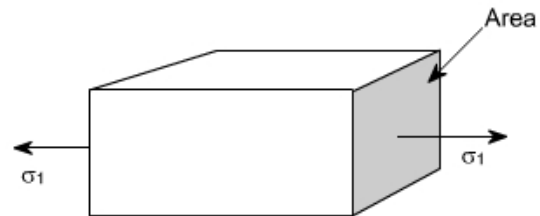
Principal Stress and Strain

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

2.1 States of stress

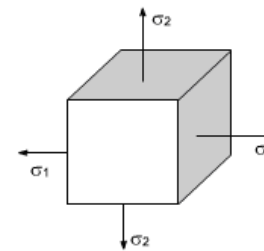
- **Uni-axial stress:** only one non-zero principal stress, i.e. σ_1

Right side figure represents Uni-axial state of stress.



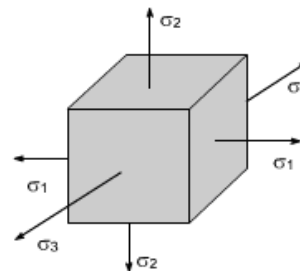
- **Bi-axial stress:** one principal stress equals zero, two do not, i.e. $\sigma_1 > \sigma_3$; $\sigma_2 = 0$

Right side figure represents Bi-axial state of stress.



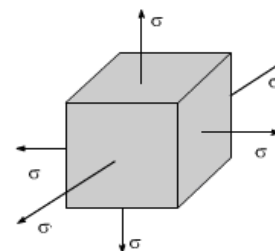
- **Tri-axial stress:** three non-zero principal stresses, i.e. $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$

Right side figure represents Tri-axial state of stress.



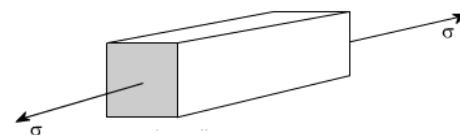
- **Isotropic stress:** three principal stresses are equal, i.e. $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_3$

Right side figure represents isotropic state of stress.



- **Axial stress:** two of three principal stresses are equal, i.e. $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2$ or $\sigma_2 = \sigma_3$

Right side figure represents axial state of stress.

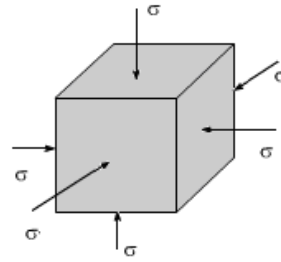


- **Hydrostatic pressure:** weight of column of fluid in interconnected pore spaces.

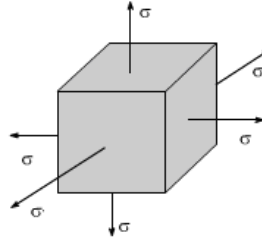
$$P_{\text{hydrostatic}} = \rho_{\text{fluid}} gh \text{ (density, gravity, depth)}$$

- **Hydrostatic stress:** Hydrostatic stress is used to describe a state of tensile or compressive stress equal in all directions within or external to a body. Hydrostatic stress causes a change in volume of a material. Shape of the body remains unchanged i.e. no distortion occurs in the body.

Right side figure represents Hydrostatic state of stress.



Or



2.2 Uni-axial stress on oblique plane

Let us consider a bar of uniform cross sectional area A under direct tensile load P giving rise to axial normal stress P/A acting on a cross section XX . Now consider another section given by the plane YY inclined at θ with the XX . This is depicted in following three ways.

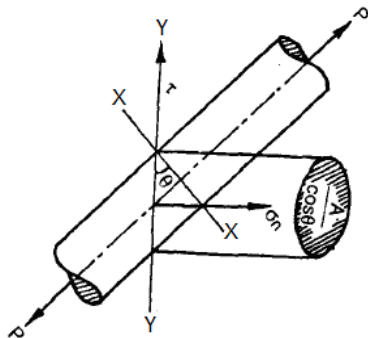


Fig. (a)

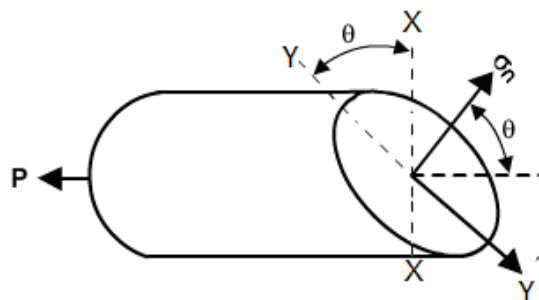


Fig. (b)

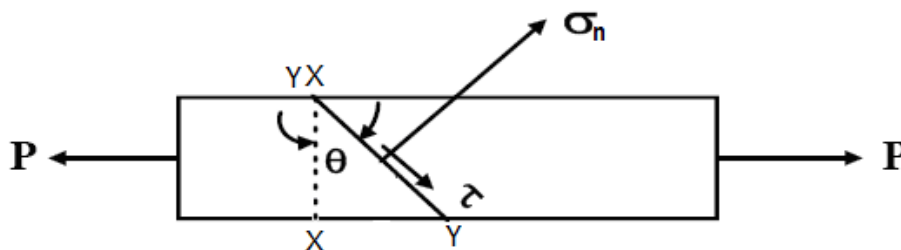


Fig. (c)

Area of the YY Plane = $\frac{A}{\cos \theta}$; Let us assume the **normal stress** in the YY plane is σ_n and there is a **shear stress** τ acting parallel to the YY plane.

Now resolve the force P in two perpendicular direction one normal to the plane $YY = P \cos \theta$ and another parallel to the plane $YY = P \sin \theta$

Therefore equilibrium gives, $\sigma_n \frac{A}{\cos \theta} = P \cos \theta$ or

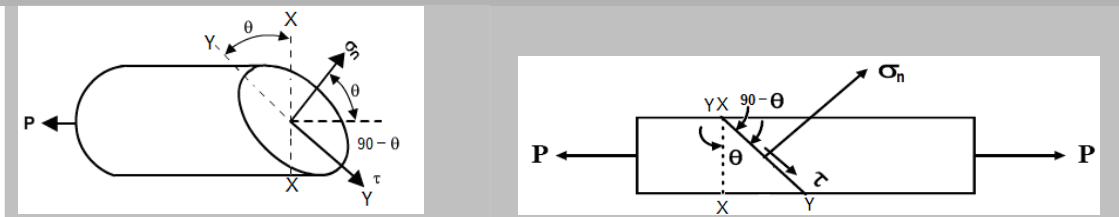
$$\sigma_n = \frac{P}{A} \cos^2 \theta$$

and $\tau \times \frac{A}{\cos \theta} = P \sin \theta$ or $\tau = \frac{P}{A} \sin \theta \cos \theta$ or

$$\tau = \frac{P}{2A} \sin 2\theta$$

- Note the variation of **normal stress** σ_n and **shear stress** τ with the variation of θ . When $\theta = 0$, normal stress σ_n is maximum i.e. $(\sigma_n)_{\max} = \frac{P}{A}$ and shear stress $\tau = 0$. As θ is increased, the normal stress σ_n diminishes, until when $\theta = 90^\circ$, $\sigma_n = 0$. But if angle θ increased shear stress τ increases to a maximum value $\tau_{\max} = \frac{P}{2A}$ at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4} = 45^\circ$ and then diminishes to $\tau = 0$ at $\theta = 90^\circ$.
- The shear stress will be maximum when $\sin 2\theta = 1$ or $\theta = 45^\circ$
- And the maximum shear stress, $\tau_{\max} = \frac{P}{2A}$
- In ductile material failure in tension is initiated by shear stress i.e. the failure occurs across the shear planes at 45° (where it is maximum) to the applied load.

Let us clear a concept about a common mistake: The angle θ is not between the applied load and the plane. It is between the planes XX and YY. But if in any question the angle between the applied load and the plane is given don't take it as θ . The angle between the applied load and the plane is $90^\circ - \theta$. In this case you have to use the above formula as $\sigma_n = \frac{P}{A} \cos^2(90^\circ - \theta)$ and $\tau = \frac{P}{2A} \sin(180^\circ - 2\theta)$ where θ is the angle between the applied load and the plane. Carefully observe the following two figures it will be clear.



Let us take an example: A metal block of 100 mm^2 cross sectional area carries an axial tensile load of 10 kN. For a plane inclined at 30° with the direction of applied load, calculate:

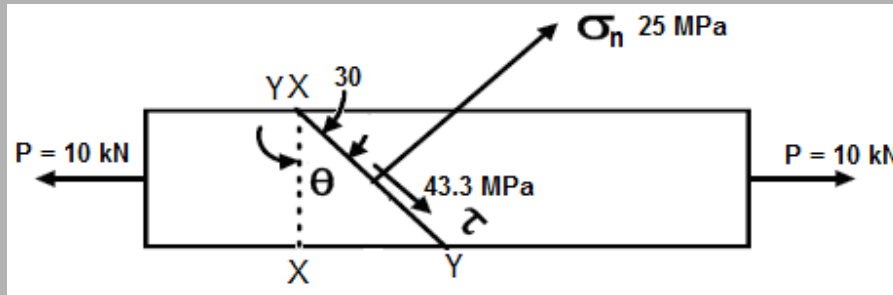
- Normal stress
- Shear stress
- Maximum shear stress.

Answer: Here $\theta = 90^\circ - 30^\circ = 60^\circ$

(a) Normal stress $(\sigma_n) = \frac{P}{A} \cos^2 \theta = \frac{10 \times 10^3 \text{ N}}{100 \text{ mm}^2} \times \cos^2 60^\circ = 25 \text{ MPa}$

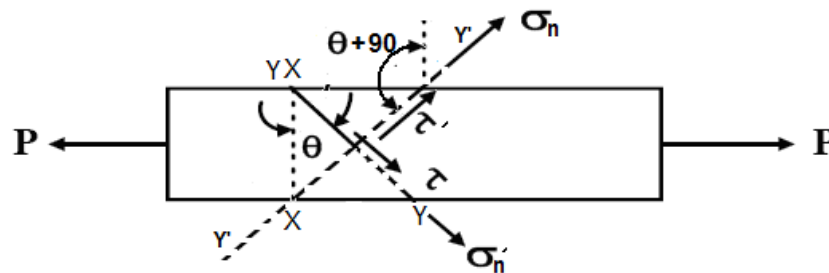
$$(b) \text{ Shear stress } (\tau) = \frac{P}{2A} \sin 2\theta = \frac{10 \times 10^3 N}{2 \times 100 \text{ mm}^2} \times \sin 120^\circ = 43.3 \text{ MPa}$$

$$(c) \text{ Maximum shear stress } (\tau_{\max}) = \frac{P}{2A} = \frac{10 \times 10^3 N}{2 \times 100 \text{ mm}^2} = 50 \text{ MPa}$$



• Complementary stresses

Now if we consider the stresses on an oblique plane $Y'Y'$ which is perpendicular to the previous plane YY . The stresses on this plane are known as complementary stresses. **Complementary normal stress** is σ'_n and **complementary shear stress** is τ' . The following figure shows all the four stresses. To obtain the stresses σ'_n and τ' we need only to replace θ by $\theta + 90^\circ$ in the previous equation. The angle $\theta + 90^\circ$ is known as **aspect angle**.



Therefore

$$\sigma'_n = \frac{P}{A} \cos^2 (90^\circ + \theta) = \frac{P}{A} \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\tau' = \frac{P}{2A} \sin 2(90^\circ + \theta) = -\frac{P}{2A} \sin 2\theta$$

It is clear $\sigma'_n + \sigma_n = \frac{P}{A}$ and $\tau' = -\tau$

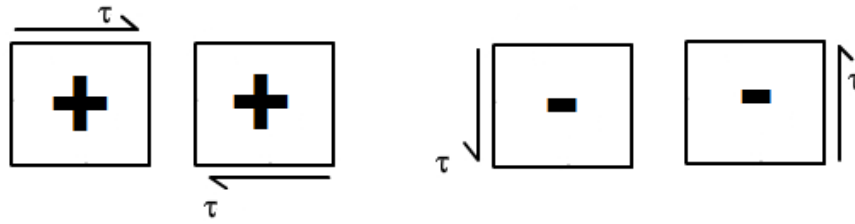
i.e. Complementary shear stresses are always equal in magnitude but opposite in sign.

• Sign of Shear stress

For sign of shear stress following rule have to be followed:

The shear stress τ on any face of the element will be considered **positive** when it has a **clockwise** moment with respect to a centre inside the element. If the moment is **counter-clockwise** with respect to a centre inside the element, the shear stress is **negative**.

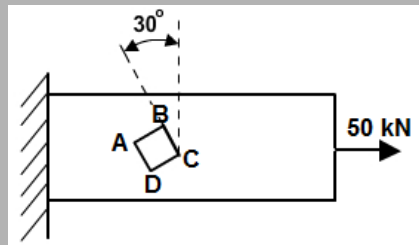
Note: The convention is opposite to that of moment of force. Shear stress tending to turn clockwise is positive and tending to turn counter clockwise is negative.



Let us take an example: A prismatic bar of 500 mm^2 cross sectional area is axially loaded with a tensile force of 50 kN . Determine all the stresses acting on an element which makes 30° inclination with the vertical plane.

Answer: Take an small element ABCD in 30° plane as shown in figure below,

Given, Area of cross-section, $A = 500 \text{ mm}^2$, Tensile force (P) = 50 kN



Normal stress on 30° inclined plane, $(\sigma_n) = \frac{P}{A} \cos^2 \theta = \frac{50 \times 10^3 \text{ N}}{500 \text{ mm}^2} \times \cos^2 30^\circ = 75 \text{ MPa}$ (+ive means tensile). Shear

stress on 30° planes, $(\tau) = \frac{P}{2A} \sin 2\theta = \frac{50 \times 10^3 \text{ N}}{2 \times 500 \text{ mm}^2} \times \sin(2 \times 30^\circ) = 43.3 \text{ MPa}$

(+ive means clockwise)

Complementary stress on $(\theta) = 90 + 30 = 120^\circ$

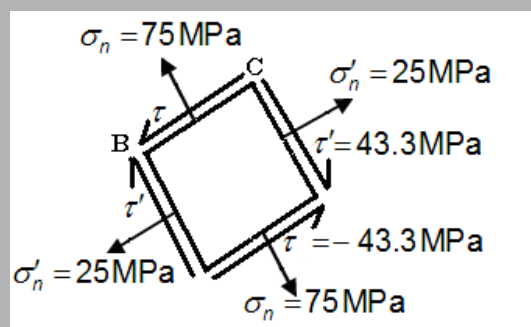
Normal stress on 120° inclined plane, $(\sigma'_n) = \frac{P}{A} \cos^2 \theta = \frac{50 \times 10^3 \text{ N}}{500 \text{ mm}^2} \times \cos^2 120^\circ = 25 \text{ MPa}$

(+ive means tensile)

Shear stress on 120° inclined plane, $(\tau') = \frac{P}{2A} \sin 2\theta = \frac{50 \times 10^3 \text{ N}}{2 \times 500 \text{ mm}^2} \times \sin(2 \times 120^\circ) = -43.3 \text{ MPa}$

(-ive means counter clockwise)

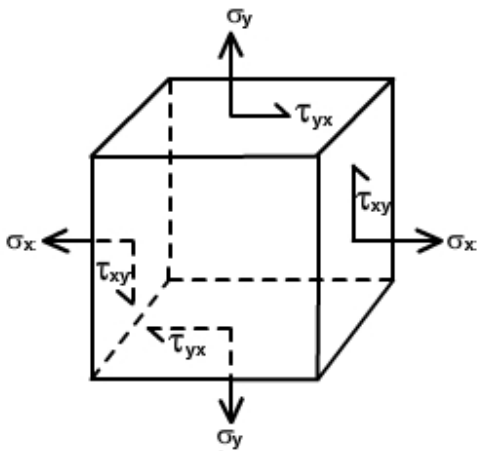
State of stress on the element ABCD is given below (magnifying)



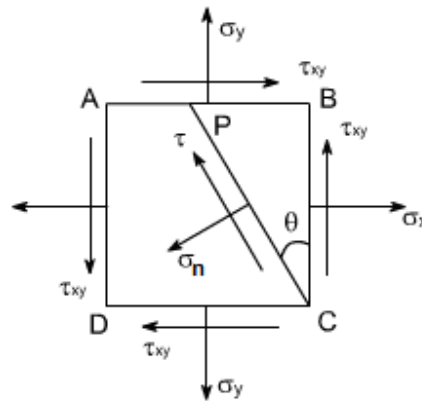
2.3 Complex Stresses (2-D Stress system)

i.e. Material subjected to combined direct and shear stress

We now consider a complex stress system below. The given figure ABCD shows on small element of material



Stresses in three dimensional element



Stresses in cross-section of the element

σ_x and σ_y are normal stresses and may be tensile or compressive. We know that normal stress may come from direct force or bending moment. τ_{xy} is shear stress. We know that shear stress may come from direct shear force or torsion and τ_{xy} and τ_{yx} are complementary and

$$\tau_{xy} = \tau_{yx}$$

Let σ_n is the normal stress and τ is the shear stress on a plane at angle θ .

Considering the equilibrium of the element we can easily get

$$\text{Normal stress } (\sigma_n) = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta \text{ and}$$

$$\text{Shear stress } (\tau) = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$$

Above two transformation equations for plane stress are coming from considering equilibrium. They do not depend on material properties and are valid for elastic and in elastic behavior.

- **Location of planes of maximum stress**

(a) Normal stress, $(\sigma_n)_{\max}$

For σ_n maximum or minimum

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_n}{\partial \theta} = 0, \text{ where } \sigma_n = \frac{(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)}{2} + \frac{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

$$\text{or } -\frac{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)}{2} \times (\sin 2\theta) \times 2 + \tau_{xy} (\cos 2\theta) \times 2 = 0 \quad \text{or } \tan 2\theta_p = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)}$$

(b) Shear stress, τ_{\max}

For τ maximum or minimum

$$\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial \theta} = 0, \text{ where } \tau = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} (\cos 2\theta) \times 2 - \tau_{xy} (-\sin 2\theta) \times 2 = 0$$

$$\text{or } \cot 2\theta = \frac{-2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}$$

Let us take an example: At a point in a crank shaft the stresses on two mutually perpendicular planes are 30 MPa (tensile) and 15 MPa (tensile). The shear stress across these planes is 10 MPa. Find the normal and shear stress on a plane making an angle 30° with the plane of first stress. Find also magnitude and direction of resultant stress on the plane.

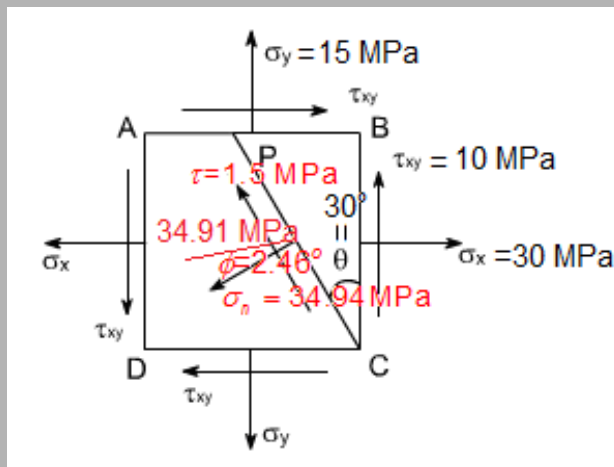
Answer: Given $\sigma_x = +25 \text{ MPa}$ (tensile), $\sigma_y = +15 \text{ MPa}$ (tensile), $\tau_{xy} = 10 \text{ MPa}$ and 40°

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, Normal stress } (\sigma_n) &= \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta \\ &= \frac{30 + 15}{2} + \frac{30 - 15}{2} \cos(2 \times 30^\circ) + 10 \sin(2 \times 30^\circ) = 34.91 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Shear stress } (\tau) &= \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta \\ &= \frac{30 - 15}{2} \sin(2 \times 30^\circ) - 10 \cos(2 \times 30^\circ) = 1.5 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Resultant stress } (\sigma_r) = \sqrt{(34.91)^2 + 1.5^2} = 34.94 \text{ MPa}$$

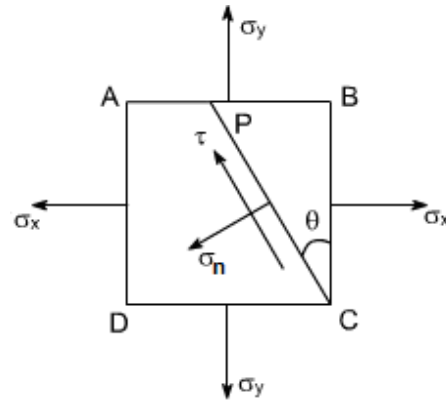
$$\text{and Obliquity } (\phi), \tan \phi = \frac{\tau}{\sigma_n} = \frac{1.5}{34.91} \Rightarrow \phi = 2.46^\circ$$



2.4 Bi-axial stress

Let us now consider a stressed element ABCD where $\tau_{xy}=0$, i.e. only σ_x and σ_y is there. This type of stress is known as bi-axial stress. In the previous equation if you put $\tau_{xy}=0$ we get Normal stress, σ_n and shear stress, τ on a plane at angle θ .

- Normal stress, $\sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta$
- Shear/Tangential stress, $\tau = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta$
- For complementary stress, aspect angle = $\theta + 90^\circ$
- Aspect angle ' θ ' varies from 0 to $\pi/2$
- Normal stress σ_n varies between the values $\sigma_x (\theta = 0) \text{ \& } \sigma_y (\theta = \pi/2)$



Let us take an example: The principal tensile stresses at a point across two perpendicular planes are 100 MPa and 50 MPa. Find the normal and tangential stresses and the resultant stress and its obliquity on a plane at 20° with the major principal plane

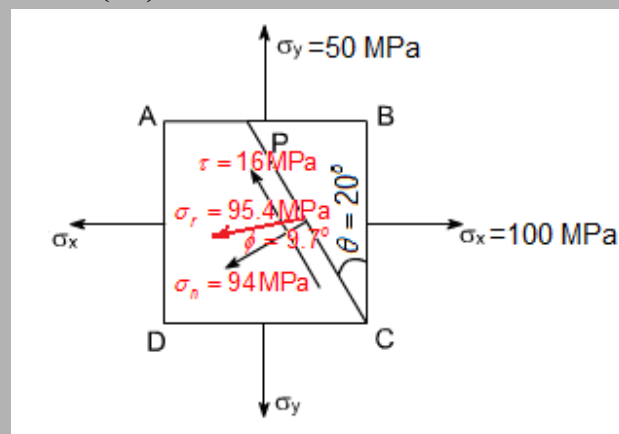
Answer: Given $\sigma_x = 100 \text{ MPa}$ (tensile), $\sigma_y = 50 \text{ MPa}$ (tensile) and $\theta = 20^\circ$

$$\text{Normal stress, } (\sigma_n) = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta = \frac{100 + 50}{2} + \frac{100 - 50}{2} \cos(2 \times 20^\circ) = 94 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Shear stress, } (\tau) = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta = \frac{100 - 50}{2} \sin(2 \times 20^\circ) = 16 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Resultant stress } (\sigma_r) = \sqrt{94^2 + 16^2} = 95.4 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Therefore angle of obliquity, } (\phi) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\tau}{\sigma_n} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{16}{94} \right) = 9.7^\circ$$



- We may derive uni-axial stress on oblique plane from

$$\sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

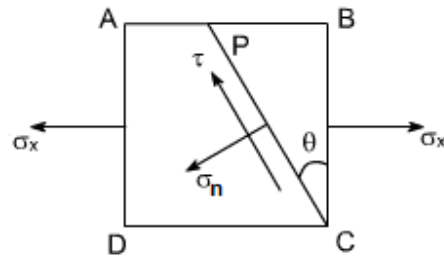
$$\text{and } \tau = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$$

Just put $\sigma_y = 0$ and $\tau_{xy} = 0$

Therefore,

$$\sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + 0}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - 0}{2} \cos 2\theta = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_x (1 + \cos 2\theta) = \sigma_x \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\text{and } \tau = \frac{\sigma_x - 0}{2} \sin 2\theta = \frac{\sigma_x}{2} \sin 2\theta$$



2.5 Pure Shear

- Pure shear is a particular case of bi-axial stress where $\sigma_x = -\sigma_y$

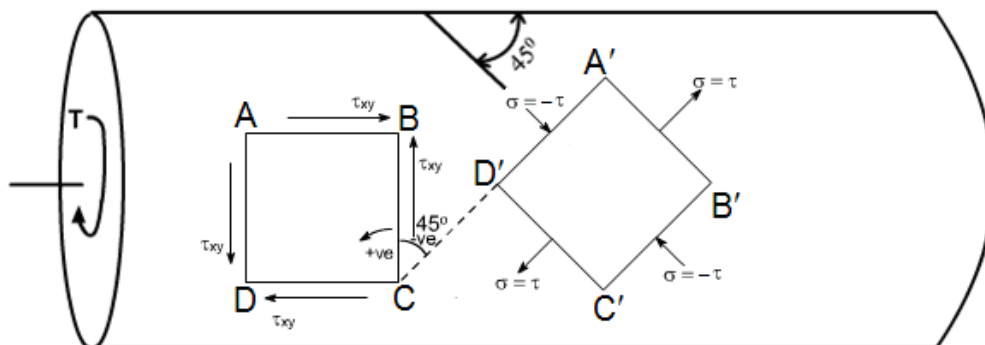
Note: σ_x or σ_y which one is compressive that is immaterial but one should be tensile and other should be compressive and equal magnitude. If $\sigma_x = 100 \text{ MPa}$ then σ_y must be -100 MPa otherwise if $\sigma_y = 100 \text{ MPa}$ then σ_x must be -100 MPa .

- In case of pure shear on 45° planes

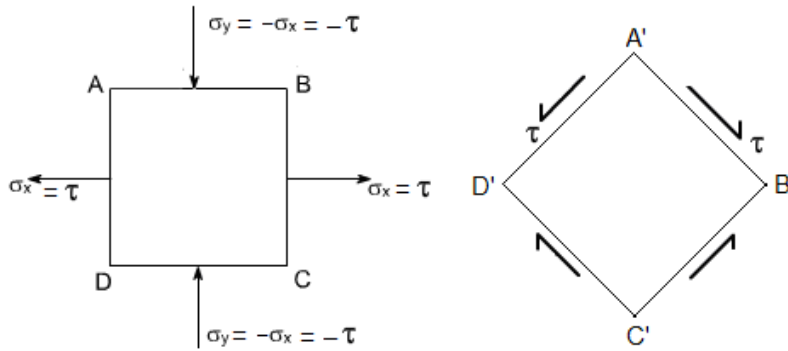
$$\tau_{\max} = \pm \sigma_x ; \sigma_n = 0 \text{ and } \sigma'_n = 0$$

- We may depict the pure shear in an element by following two ways

(a) In a torsion member, as shown below, an element ABCD is in pure shear (only shear stress is present in this element) in this member at 45° plane an element $A'B'C'D'$ is also in pure shear where $\sigma_x = -\sigma_y$ but in this element no shear stress is there.



(b) In a bi-axial state of stress a member, as shown below, an element ABCD in pure shear where $\sigma_x = -\sigma_y$ but in this element no shear stress is there and an element $A'B'C'D'$ at 45° plane is also in pure shear (only shear stress is present in this element).



Let us take an example: See the in the Conventional question answer section in this chapter and the question is “Conventional Question IES-2007”

2.6 Stress Tensor

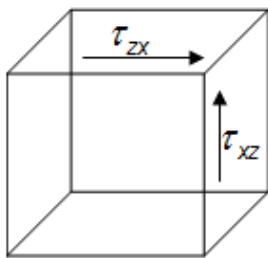
● State of stress at a point (3-D)

Stress acts on every surface that passes through the point. We can use three mutually perpendicular planes to describe the stress state at the point, which we approximate as a cube each of the three planes has one normal component & two shear components therefore, 9 components necessary to define stress at a point 3 normal and 6 shear stress.

Therefore, *we need nine components, to define the state of stress at a point*

$$\begin{matrix} \sigma_x & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \sigma_y & \tau_{yx} & \tau_{yz} \\ \sigma_z & \tau_{zx} & \tau_{zy} \end{matrix}$$

For cube to be in equilibrium (at rest: not moving, not spinning)



$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{xy} &= \tau_{yx} \\ \tau_{xz} &= \tau_{zx} \\ \tau_{yz} &= \tau_{zy} \end{aligned}$$

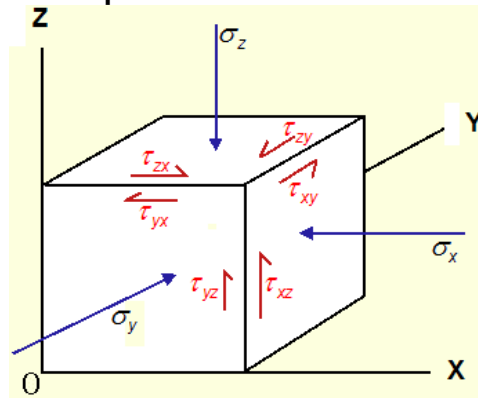
If they don't offset, block spins therefore, **only six are independent.**

The nine components (six of which are independent) can be written in matrix form

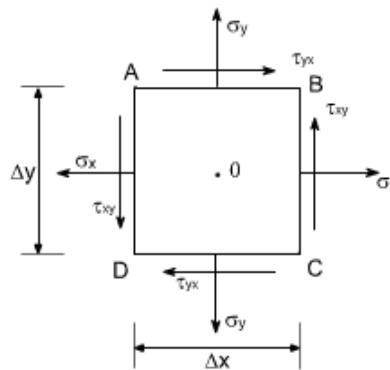
$$\sigma_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{xz} \\ \sigma_{yx} & \sigma_{yy} & \sigma_{yz} \\ \sigma_{zx} & \sigma_{zy} & \sigma_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \text{ OR } \tau_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_{xx} & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{yx} & \tau_{yy} & \tau_{yz} \\ \tau_{zx} & \tau_{zy} & \tau_{zz} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{yx} & \sigma_y & \tau_{yz} \\ \tau_{zx} & \tau_{zy} & \sigma_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{13} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} & \sigma_{23} \\ \sigma_{31} & \sigma_{32} & \sigma_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

This is the stress tensor

Components on diagonal are normal stresses; off are shear stresses

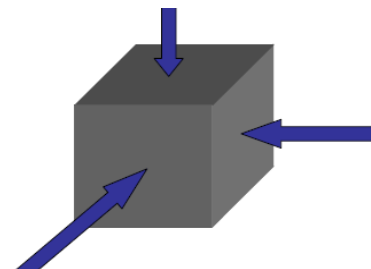


● State of stress at an element (2-D)



2.7 Principal stress and Principal plane

- When examining stress at a point, it is possible to choose **three mutually perpendicular planes** on which **no shear** stresses exist in three dimensions, one combination of orientations for the three mutually perpendicular planes will cause the shear stresses on all three planes to go to zero *this is the state defined by the principal stresses.*
- Principal stresses are normal stresses that are orthogonal to each other*
- Principal planes** are the planes across which principal stresses act (faces of the cube) for principal stresses (*shear stresses are zero*)



- Major Principal Stress

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

- Minor principal stress

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

- Position of principal planes

$$\tan 2\theta_p = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)}$$

- Maximum shear stress(In -Plane)

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

- Maximum positive and maximum negative shear stresses (Out - of - Plane)

$$\tau_{\max} = \pm \frac{\sigma_2}{2} \text{ occurs at } 45^\circ \text{ to the principal axes -2}$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \pm \frac{\sigma_1}{2} \text{ occurs at } 45^\circ \text{ to the principal axes -1}$$

Let us take an example: In the wall of a cylinder the state of stress is given by, $\sigma_x = 85\text{MPa}$ (compressive), $\sigma_y = 25\text{MPa}$ (tensile) and shear stress (τ_{xy}) = 60MPa

Calculate the principal planes on which they act. Show it in a figure.

Answer: Given $\sigma_x = -85\text{MPa}$, $\sigma_y = 25\text{MPa}$, $\tau_{xy} = 60\text{MPa}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Major principal stress } (\sigma_1) &= \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \\ &= \frac{-85 + 25}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{-85 - 25}{2}\right)^2 + 60^2} = 51.4\text{MPa} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Minor principal stress } (\sigma_2) &= \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \\
 &= \frac{-85 + 25}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{-85 - 25}{2}\right)^2 + 60^2} \\
 &= -111.4 \text{ MPa i.e. } 111.4 \text{ MPa (Compressive)}
 \end{aligned}$$

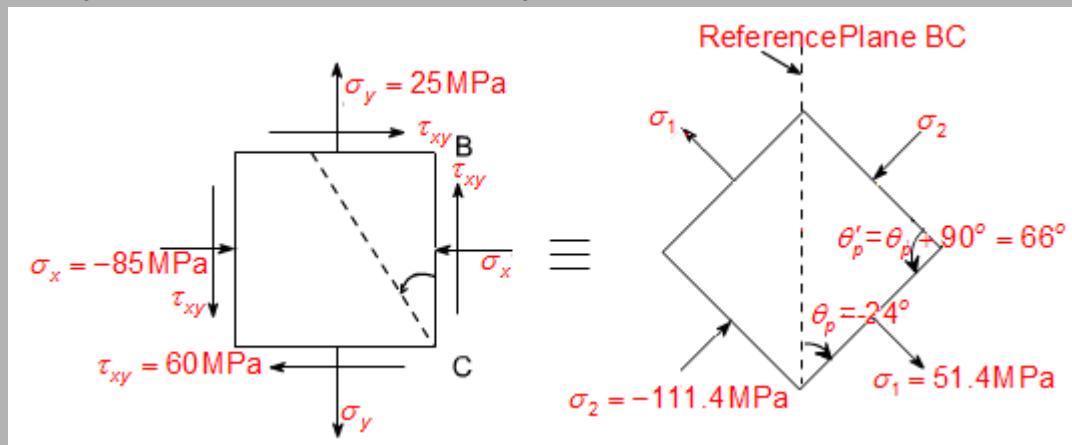
For principal planes

$$\tan 2\theta_p = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y} = \frac{2 \times 60}{-85 - 25}$$

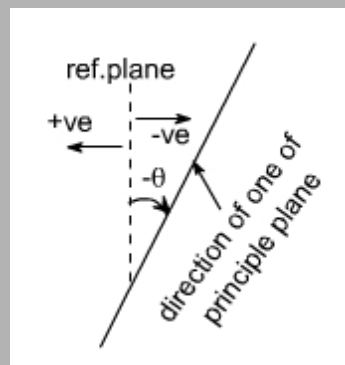
or $\theta_p = -24^\circ$ it is for σ_1

Complementary plane $\theta_p' = \theta_p + 90^\circ = 66^\circ$ it is for σ_2

The Figure showing state of stress and principal stresses is given below



The direction of one principle plane and the principle stresses acting on this would be σ_1 when is acting normal to this plane, now the direction of other principal plane would be $90^\circ + \theta_p$ because the principal planes are the two mutually perpendicular plane, hence rotate the another plane $90^\circ + \theta_p$ in the same direction to get the another plane, now complete the material element as θ_p is negative that means we are measuring the angles in the opposite direction to the reference plane BC. The following figure gives clear idea about negative and positive θ_p .



2.8 Mohr's circle for plane stress

- The transformation equations of plane stress can be represented in a graphical form which is popularly known as **Mohr's circle**.

- Though the transformation equations are sufficient to get the normal and shear stresses on any plane at a point, with Mohr's circle one can easily visualize their variation with respect to plane orientation θ .
- Equation of Mohr's circle**

We know that normal stress, $\sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$

And Tangential stress, $\tau = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$

Rearranging we get, $\left(\sigma_n - \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \right) = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta \dots\dots\dots(i)$

and $\tau = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta \dots\dots\dots(ii)$

A little consideration will show that the above two equations are the equations of a circle with σ_n and t as its coordinates and 2θ as its parameter.

If the parameter 2θ is eliminated from the equations, (i) & (ii) then the significance of them will become clear.

$$\sigma_{avg} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \text{ and } R = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\text{Or } \left(\sigma_n - \sigma_{avg} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2 = R^2$$

It is the equation of a circle with **centre**, $\left(\sigma_{avg}, 0 \right)$ i.e. $\left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}, 0 \right)$

$$\text{and radius, } R = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

• Construction of Mohr's circle

Convention for drawing

- A τ_{xy} that is clockwise (positive) on a face resides above the σ axis; a τ_{xy} anticlockwise (negative) on a face resides below σ axis.
- Tensile stress will be positive and plotted right of the origin O. Compressive stress will be negative and will be plotted left to the origin O.
- An angle θ on real plane transfers as an angle 2θ on Mohr's circle plane.

We now construct Mohr's circle in the following stress conditions

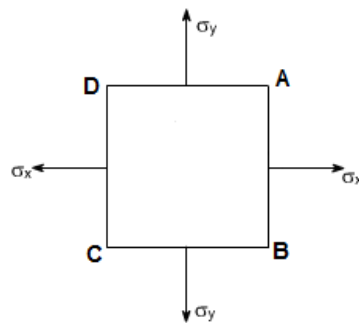
- I. Bi-axial stress when σ_x and σ_y known and $\tau_{xy} = 0$
- II. Complex state of stress (σ_x, σ_y and τ_{xy} known)

I. Constant of Mohr's circle for Bi-axial stress (when only σ_x and σ_y known)

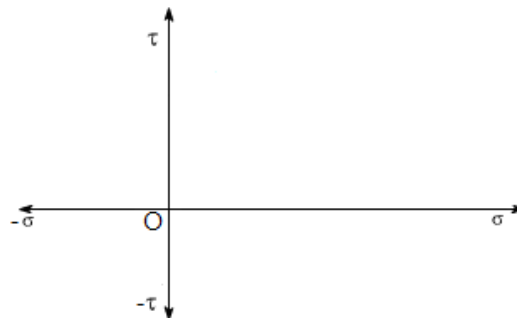
If σ_x and σ_y both are tensile or both compressive sign of σ_x and σ_y will be same and this state of stress is known as "like stresses" if one is tensile and other is compressive sign of σ_x and σ_y will be opposite and this state of stress is known as 'unlike stress'.

• **Construction of Mohr's circle for like stresses (when σ_x and σ_y are same type of stress)**

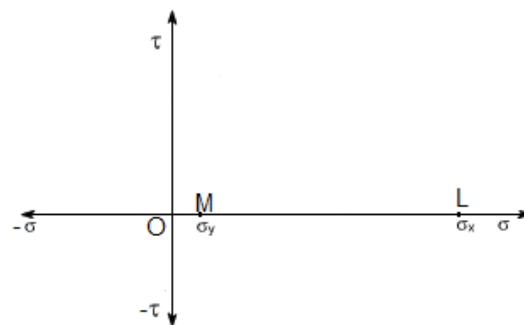
Step-I: Label the element ABCD and draw all stresses.



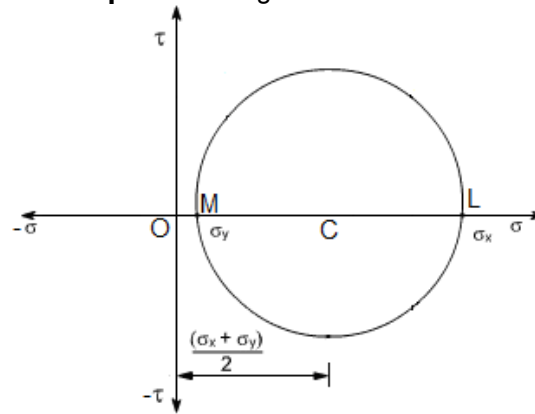
Step-II: Set up axes for the direct stress (as abscissa) i.e., in x-axis and shear stress (as ordinate) i.e. in Y-axis



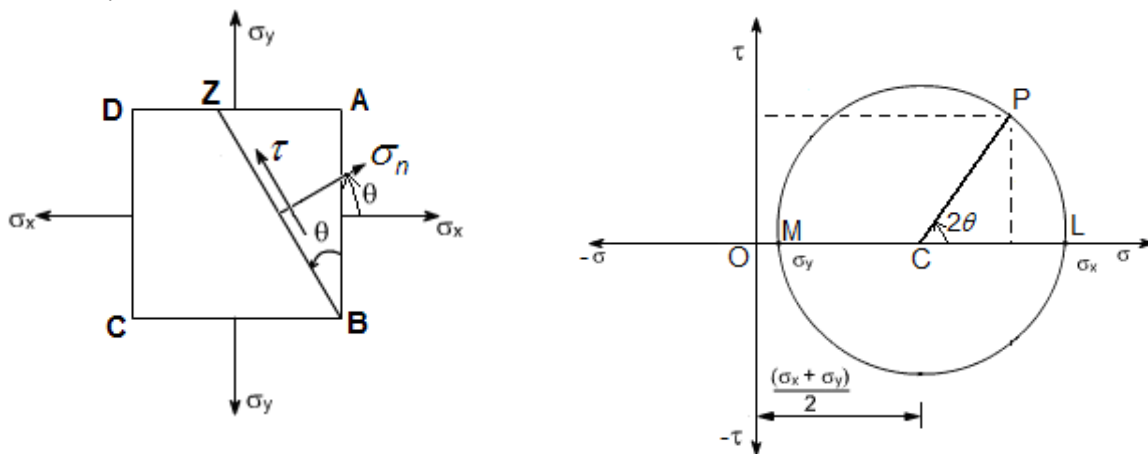
Step-III: Using sign convention and some suitable scale, plot the stresses on two adjacent faces e.g. AB and BC on the graph. Let OL and OM equal to σ_x and σ_y respectively on the axis $O\sigma$.



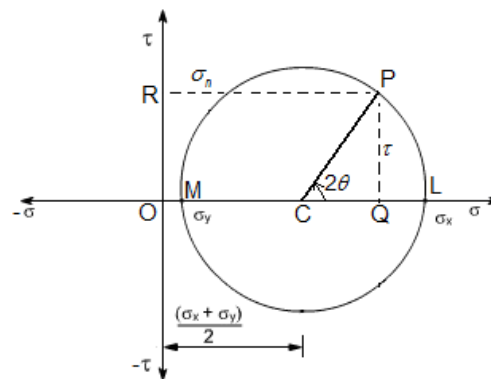
Step-IV: Bisect ML at C. With C as centre and CL or CM as radius, draw a circle. It is the Mohr's circle.



Step-V: At the centre C draw a line CP at an angle 2θ , in the same direction as the normal to the plane makes with the direction of σ_x . The point P represents the state of stress at plane ZB.



Step-VI: Calculation, Draw a perpendicular PQ and PR where $PQ = \tau$ and $PR = \sigma_n$



$$OC = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \text{ and } MC = CL = CP = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}$$

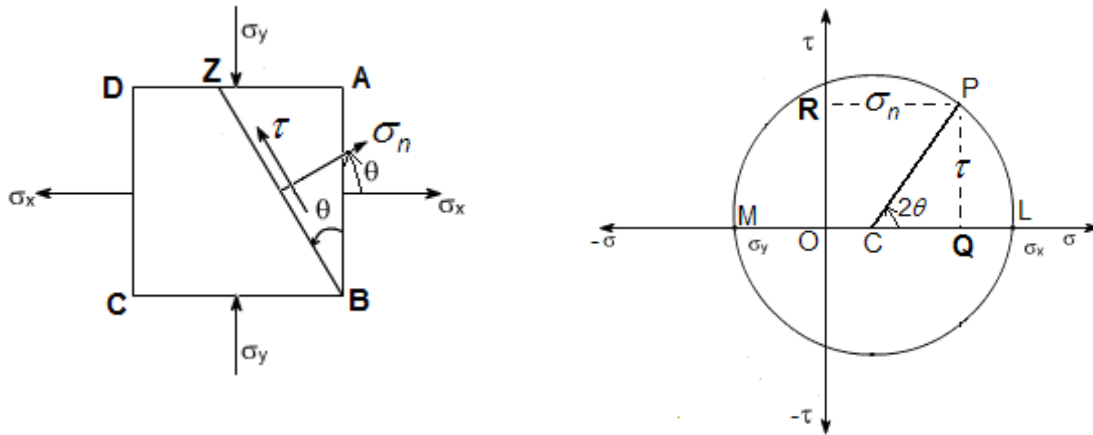
$$PR = \sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta$$

$$PQ = \tau = CP \sin 2\theta = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta$$

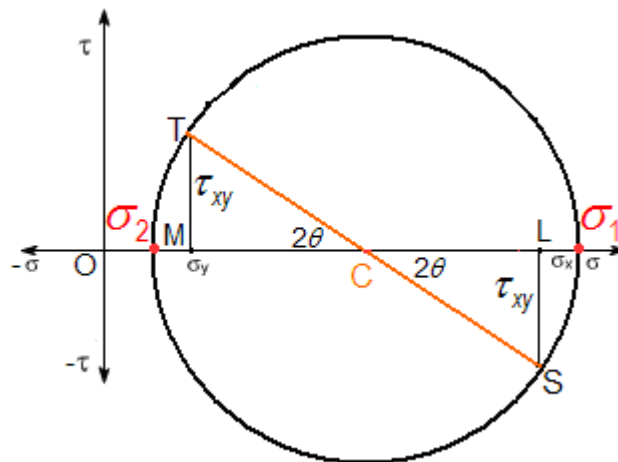
[Note: In the examination you only draw final figure (which is in Step-V) and follow the procedure step by step so that no mistakes occur.]

• **Construction of Mohr's circle for unlike stresses (when σ_x and σ_y are opposite in sign)**

Follow the same steps which we followed for construction for 'like stresses' and finally will get the figure shown below.

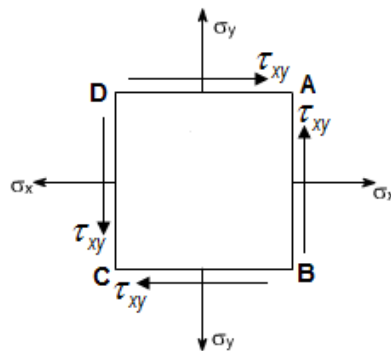


Note: For construction of Mohr's circle for principal stresses when (σ_1 and σ_2 is known) then follow the same steps of Constant of Mohr's circle for Bi-axial stress (when only σ_x and σ_y known) just change the $\sigma_x = \sigma_1$ and $\sigma_y = \sigma_2$

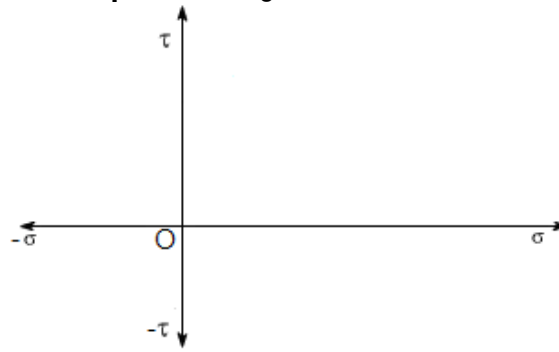


II. Construction of Mohr's circle for complex state of stress (σ_x, σ_y and τ_{xy} known)

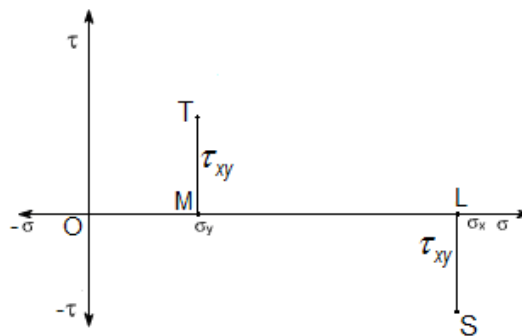
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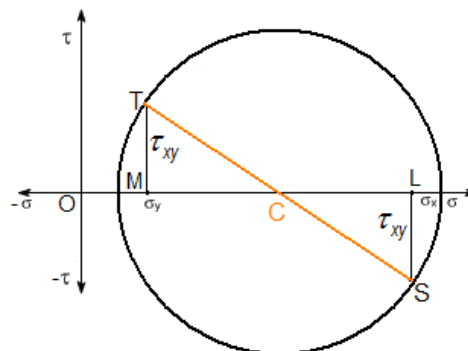
Step-II: Set up axes for the direct stress (as abscissa) i.e., in x-axis and shear stress (as ordinate) i.e. in Y-axis



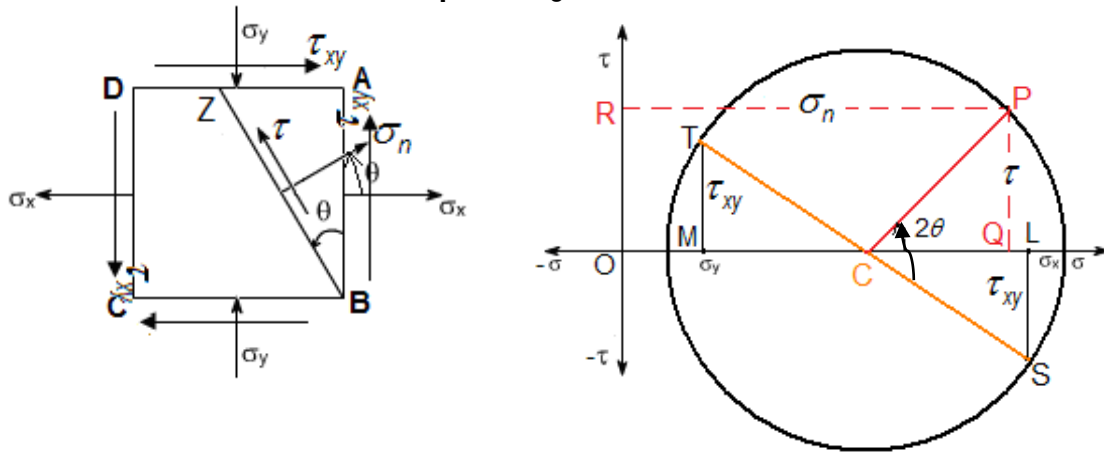
Step-III: Using sign convention and some suitable scale, plot the stresses on two adjacent faces e.g. AB and BC on the graph. Let OL and OM equal to σ_x and σ_y respectively on the axis $O\sigma$. Draw LS perpendicular to $O\sigma$ axis and equal to τ_{xy} i.e. $LS = \tau_{xy}$. Here LS is downward as τ_{xy} on AB face is (–ive) and draw MT perpendicular to $O\sigma$ axis and equal to τ_{xy} i.e. $MT = \tau_{xy}$. Here MT is upward as τ_{xy} BC face is (+ive).



Step-IV: Join ST and it will cut $O\sigma$ axis at C. With C as centre and CS or CT as radius, draw circle. It is the Mohr's circle.



Step-V: At the centre draw a line CP at an angle 2θ in the same direction as the normal to the plane makes with the direction of σ_x .



Step-VI: Calculation, Draw a perpendicular PQ and PR where $PQ = \tau$ and $PR = \sigma_n$

$$\text{Centre, } OC = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}$$

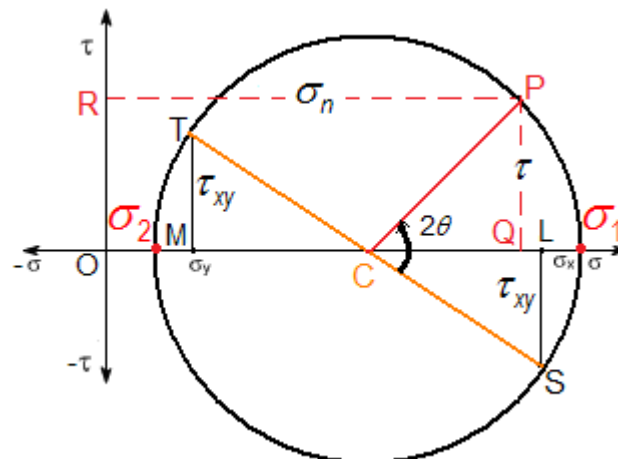
$$\text{Radius } CS = \sqrt{(CL)^2 + (LS)^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = CT = CP$$

$$PR = \sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

$$PQ = \tau = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta.$$

[Note: In the examination you only draw final figure (which is in Step-V) and follow the procedure step by step so that no mistakes occur.]

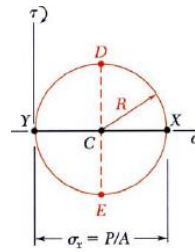
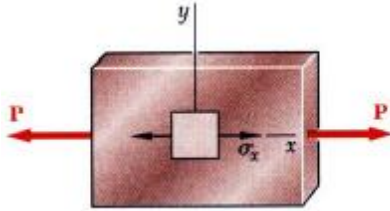
Note: The intersections of $\sigma\sigma$ axis are two principal stresses, as shown below.



Let us take an example: See the in the Conventional question answer section in this chapter and the question is “Conventional Question IES-2000”

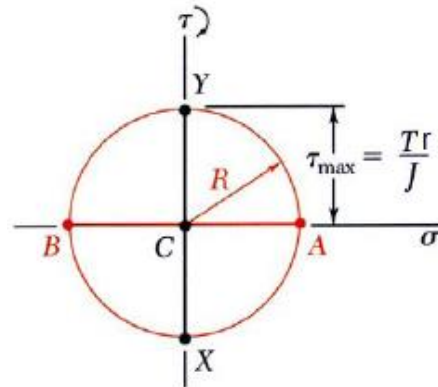
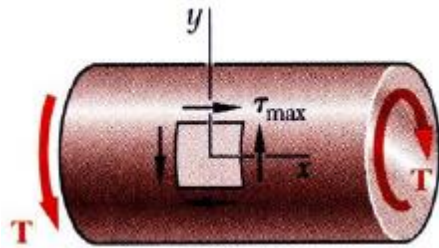
2.9 Mohr's circle for some special cases:

i) Mohr's circle for axial loading:



$$\sigma_x = \frac{P}{A}; \quad \sigma_y = \tau_{xy} = 0$$

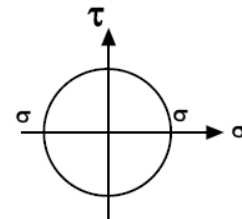
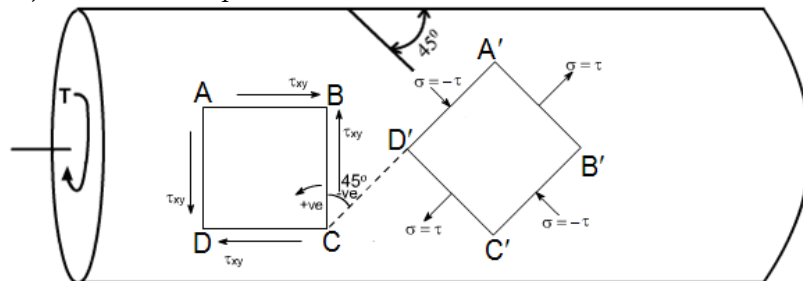
ii) Mohr's circle for torsional loading:



$$\tau_{xy} = \frac{Tr}{J}; \quad \sigma_x = \sigma_y = 0$$

It is a case of pure shear

iii) In the case of pure shear

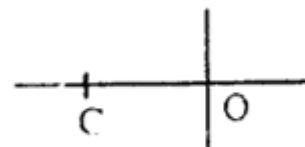
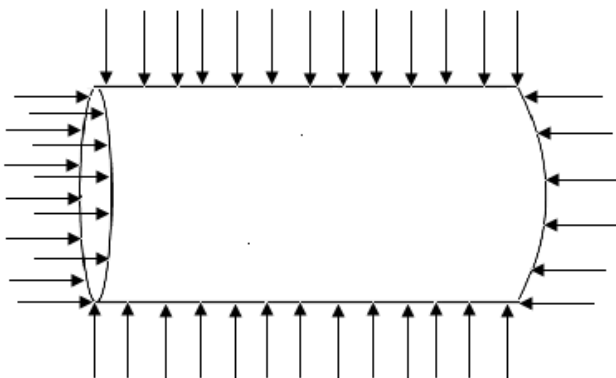


$$(\sigma_1 = -\sigma_2 \text{ and } \sigma_3 = 0)$$

$$\sigma_x = -\sigma_y$$

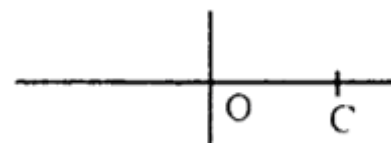
$$\tau_{\max} = \pm \sigma_x$$

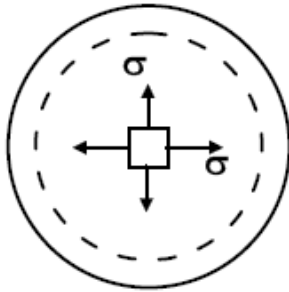
iv) A shaft compressed all round by a hub



$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = \text{Compressive (Pressure)}$$

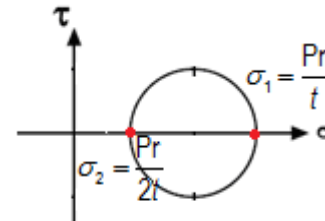
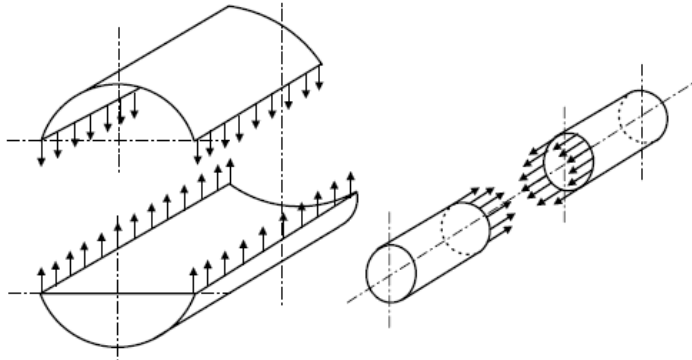
v) Thin spherical shell under internal pressure





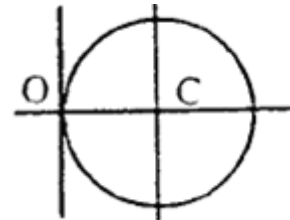
$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \frac{pr}{2t} = \frac{pD}{4t} \text{ (tensile)}$$

vi) Thin cylinder under pressure



$$\sigma_1 = \frac{pD}{2t} = \frac{pr}{t} \text{ (tensile) and } \sigma_2 = \frac{pd}{4t} = \frac{pr}{2t} \text{ (tensile)}$$

vii) Bending moment applied at the free end of a cantilever



Only bending stress, $\sigma_1 = \frac{My}{I}$ and $\sigma_2 = \tau_{xy} = 0$

2.10 Strain

Normal strain

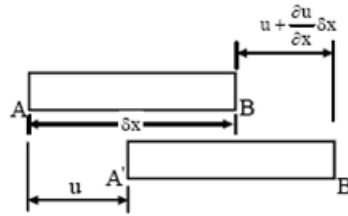
Let us consider an element AB of infinitesimal length δx . After deformation of the actual body if displacement of end A is u , that of end B is $u + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \delta x$. This gives an increase in length of element AB is

$$\left(u + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \delta x - u \right) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \delta x \text{ and therefore the strain in x-direction is } \epsilon_x = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

Similarly, strains in y and z directions are $\epsilon_y = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$ and $\epsilon_z = \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}$.

Therefore, we may write the three normal strain components

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}; \quad \epsilon_y = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}; \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon_z = \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}.$$



Change in length of an infinitesimal element.

Shear strain

Let us consider an element ABCD in x-y plane and let the displaced position of the element be A'B'C'D'. This gives shear strain in x-y plane as $\gamma_{xy} = \alpha + \beta$ where α is the angle made by the displaced line B'C' with the vertical and β is the angle made by the displaced line A'D' with the horizontal. This gives

$$\alpha = \frac{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cdot \delta y}{\delta y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = \frac{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \cdot \delta x}{\delta x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

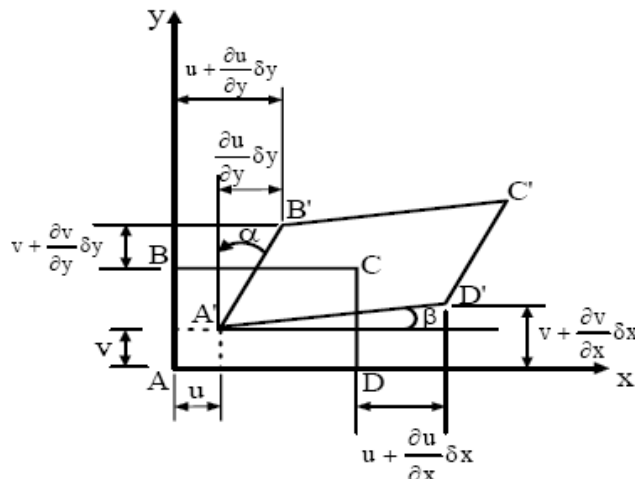
We may therefore write the three shear strain components as

$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}; \quad \gamma_{yz} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_{zx} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}$$

Therefore the state of strain at a point can be completely described by the **six strain components** and the strain components in their turns can be completely defined by the displacement components u, v , and w .

Therefore, the complete strain matrix can be written as

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \epsilon_x \\ \epsilon_y \\ \epsilon_z \\ \gamma_{xy} \\ \gamma_{yz} \\ \gamma_{zx} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{Bmatrix}$$



Shear strain associated with the distortion of an infinitesimal element.

Strain Tensor

The three normal strain components are

$$\varepsilon_x = \varepsilon_{xx} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}; \quad \varepsilon_y = \varepsilon_{yy} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon_z = \varepsilon_{zz} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}.$$

The three shear strain components are

$$\varepsilon_{xy} = \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right); \quad \varepsilon_{yz} = \frac{\gamma_{yz}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon_{zx} = \frac{\gamma_{zx}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)$$

Therefore the strain tensor is

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} & \varepsilon_{xy} & \varepsilon_{xz} \\ \varepsilon_{yx} & \varepsilon_{yy} & \varepsilon_{yz} \\ \varepsilon_{zx} & \varepsilon_{zy} & \varepsilon_{zz} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} & \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} & \frac{\gamma_{xz}}{2} \\ \frac{\gamma_{yx}}{2} & \varepsilon_{yy} & \frac{\gamma_{yz}}{2} \\ \frac{\gamma_{zx}}{2} & \frac{\gamma_{zy}}{2} & \varepsilon_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$

Constitutive Equation

The constitutive equations relate stresses and strains and in linear elasticity. We know from the Hook's law $(\sigma) = E \cdot \varepsilon$

Where E is modulus of elasticity

It is known that σ_x produces a strain of $\frac{\sigma_x}{E}$ in x-direction

and Poisson's effect gives $-\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$ in y-direction **and** $-\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$ in z-direction.

Therefore we may write the generalized Hook's law as

$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{1}{E} \left[\sigma_x - \mu (\sigma_y + \sigma_z) \right], \quad \varepsilon_y = \frac{1}{E} \left[\sigma_y - \mu (\sigma_z + \sigma_x) \right] \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon_z = \frac{1}{E} \left[\sigma_z - \mu (\sigma_x + \sigma_y) \right]$$

It is also known that the shear stress, $\tau = G\gamma$, where G is the shear modulus and γ is shear strain. We may thus write the three strain components as

$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{G}, \quad \gamma_{yz} = \frac{\tau_{yz}}{G} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_{zx} = \frac{\tau_{zx}}{G}$$

In general each strain is dependent on each stress and we may write

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_x \\ \varepsilon_y \\ \varepsilon_z \\ \gamma_{xy} \\ \gamma_{yz} \\ \gamma_{zx} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} & K_{13} & K_{14} & K_{15} & K_{16} \\ K_{21} & K_{22} & K_{23} & K_{24} & K_{25} & K_{26} \\ K_{31} & K_{32} & K_{33} & K_{34} & K_{35} & K_{36} \\ K_{41} & K_{42} & K_{43} & K_{44} & K_{45} & K_{46} \\ K_{51} & K_{52} & K_{53} & K_{54} & K_{55} & K_{56} \\ K_{61} & K_{62} & K_{63} & K_{64} & K_{65} & K_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \sigma_z \\ \tau_{xy} \\ \tau_{yz} \\ \tau_{zx} \end{Bmatrix}$$

∴ The number of elastic constant is 36 (For anisotropic materials)

For Anisotropic material only 21 independent elastic constant are there.

If there are axes of symmetry in 3 perpendicular directions, material is called **orthotropic** materials. An orthotropic material has 9 independent elastic constants

For isotropic material

$$K_{11} = K_{22} = K_{33} = \frac{1}{E}$$

$$K_{44} = K_{55} = K_{66} = \frac{1}{G}$$

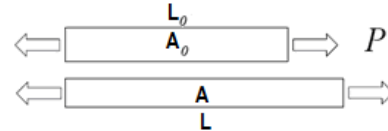
$$K_{12} = K_{13} = K_{21} = K_{23} = K_{31} = K_{32} = -\frac{\mu}{E}$$

Rest of all elements in K matrix are zero.

For isotropic material only two independent elastic constant is there say E and G.

• 1-D Stress

Let us take an example: A rod of cross sectional area A_0 is loaded by a tensile force P.



It's stresses $\sigma_x = \frac{P}{A_0}$, $\sigma_y = 0$, and $\sigma_z = 0$

1-D state of stress or Uni-axial state of stress

$$\sigma_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \tau_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore strain components are

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{\sigma_x}{E}; \epsilon_y = -\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E} = -\mu \epsilon_x; \text{ and } \epsilon_z = -\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E} = -\mu \epsilon_x$$

Strain

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\mu \epsilon_x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\mu \epsilon_x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sigma_x}{E} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & q_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & q_y \end{pmatrix}$$

• 2-D Stress ($\sigma_z = 0$)

$$(i) \quad \epsilon_x = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_x - \mu \sigma_y]$$

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_y - \mu \sigma_x]$$

$$\epsilon_z = -\frac{\mu}{E} [\sigma_x + \sigma_y]$$

[Where, $\epsilon_x, \epsilon_y, \epsilon_z$ are strain component in X, Y, and Z axis respectively]

$$(ii) \quad \sigma_x = \frac{E}{1-\mu^2} [\epsilon_x + \mu \epsilon_y]$$

$$\sigma_y = \frac{E}{1-\mu^2} [\epsilon_y + \mu \epsilon_x]$$

• **3-D Stress & Strain**

$$(i) \quad \epsilon_x = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_x - \mu(\sigma_y + \sigma_z)]$$

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_y - \mu(\sigma_z + \sigma_x)]$$

$$\epsilon_z = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_z - \mu(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)]$$

$$(ii) \quad \sigma_x = \frac{E}{(1+\mu)(1-2\mu)} [(1-\mu)\epsilon_x + \mu(\epsilon_y + \epsilon_z)]$$

$$\sigma_y = \frac{E}{(1+\mu)(1-2\mu)} [(1-\mu)\epsilon_y + \mu(\epsilon_z + \epsilon_x)]$$

$$\sigma_z = \frac{E}{(1+\mu)(1-2\mu)} [(1-\mu)\epsilon_z + \mu(\epsilon_x + \epsilon_y)]$$

Let us take an example: At a point in a loaded member, a state of plane stress exists and the strains are $\epsilon_x = 270 \times 10^{-6}$; $\epsilon_y = -90 \times 10^{-6}$ and $\epsilon_{xy} = 360 \times 10^{-6}$. If the elastic constants E , μ and G are 200 GPa, 0.25 and 80 GPa respectively.

Determine the normal stress σ_x and σ_y and the shear stress τ_{xy} at the point.

Answer: We know that

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{1}{E} \{\sigma_x - \mu\sigma_y\}$$

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{1}{E} \{\sigma_y - \mu\sigma_x\}$$

$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{G}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{This gives } \sigma_x &= \frac{E}{1-\mu^2} \{\epsilon_x + \mu\epsilon_y\} = \frac{200 \times 10^9}{1-0.25^2} [270 \times 10^{-6} - 0.25 \times 90 \times 10^{-6}] \text{ Pa} \\ &= 52.8 \text{ MPa (i.e. tensile)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } \sigma_y = \frac{E}{1-\mu^2} [\epsilon_y + \mu \epsilon_x]$$

$$= \frac{200 \times 10^9}{1-0.25^2} [-90 \times 10^{-6} + 0.25 \times 270 \times 10^{-6}] \text{ Pa} = -4.8 \text{ MPa (i.e. compressive)}$$

$$\text{and } \tau_{xy} = \gamma_{xy} \cdot G = 360 \times 10^{-6} \times 80 \times 10^9 \text{ Pa} = 28.8 \text{ MPa}$$

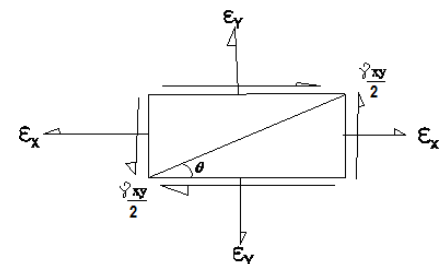
2.12 An element subjected to strain components ϵ_x, ϵ_y & $\frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2}$

Consider an element as shown in the figure given. The strain component in X-direction is ϵ_x , the strain component in Y-direction is ϵ_y and the shear strain component is γ_{xy} .

Now consider a plane at an angle θ with X-axis in this plane a normal strain ϵ_θ and a shear strain γ_θ .

Then

- $\epsilon_\theta = \frac{\epsilon_x + \epsilon_y}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_x - \epsilon_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} \sin 2\theta$
- $\frac{\gamma_\theta}{2} = -\frac{\epsilon_x - \epsilon_y}{2} \sin 2\theta + \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} \cos 2\theta$



We may find principal strain and principal plane for strains in the same process which we followed for stress analysis.

In the principal plane shear strain is zero.

Therefore principal strains are

$$\epsilon_{1,2} = \frac{\epsilon_x + \epsilon_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\epsilon_x - \epsilon_y}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2}\right)^2}$$

The angle of principal plane

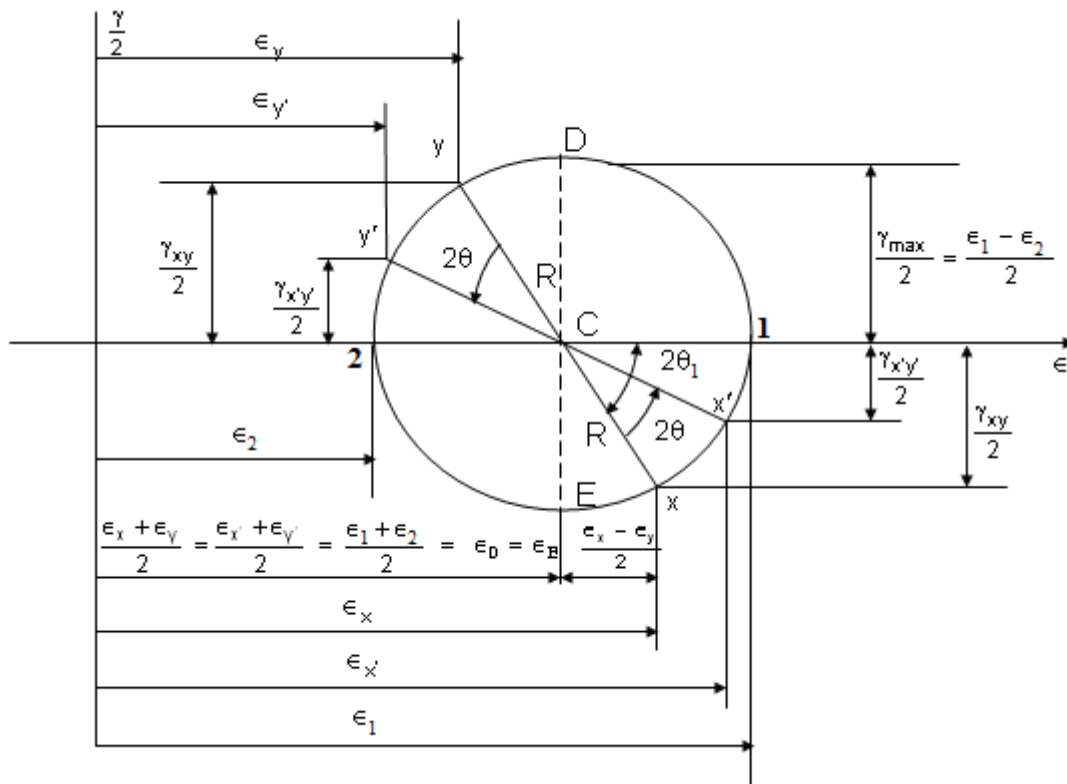
$$\tan 2\theta_p = \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{(\epsilon_x - \epsilon_y)}$$

- Maximum shearing strain is equal to the difference between the 2 principal strains i.e

$$(\gamma_{xy})_{\max} = \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2$$

We may draw Mohr's circle for strain following same procedure which we followed for drawing Mohr's circle in stress. Everything will be same and in the place of σ_x write ϵ_x , the place of σ_y write ϵ_y

and in place of τ_{xy} write $\frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2}$.



2.15 Volumetric Strain (Dilation)

A relationship similar to that for length changes holds for three-dimensional (volume) change. For

volumetric strain, (e_v), the relationship is $(e_v) = (V - V_0)/V_0$ or $(e_v) = \Delta V/V_0 = \frac{P}{K}$

- Where V is the final volume, V_0 is the original volume, and ΔV is the volume change.
- Volumetric strain is a ratio of values with the same units, so it also is a dimensionless quantity.
- $\Delta V/V = \text{volumetric strain} = \epsilon_x + \epsilon_y + \epsilon_z = \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3$
- **Dilation:** The hydrostatic component of the total stress contributes to deformation by changing the area (or volume, in three dimensions) of an object. Area or volume change is called **dilation** and is positive or negative, as the volume increases or decreases, respectively. $e = \frac{p}{K}$ Where p is pressure.

Chapter-2

Principal Stress and Strain

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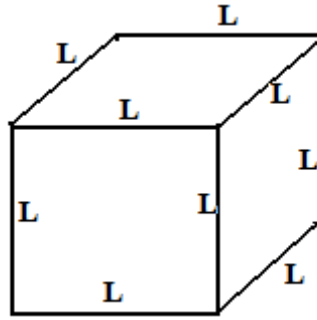
- **Rectangular block,**

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V_0} = \epsilon_x + \epsilon_y + \epsilon_z$$

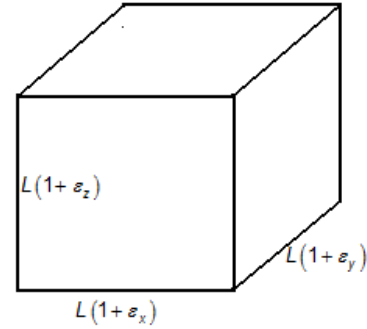
Proof: Volumetric strain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta V}{V_0} &= \frac{V - V_0}{V_0} \\ &= \frac{L(1 + \epsilon_x) \times L(1 + \epsilon_y) \times L(1 + \epsilon_z) - L^3}{L^3} \\ &= \epsilon_x + \epsilon_y + \epsilon_z \end{aligned}$$

(neglecting second and third order term, as very small)



Before deformation,
Volume (V_0) = L^3



After deformation,
Volume (V)
 $= L(1 + \epsilon_x) \times L(1 + \epsilon_y) \times L(1 + \epsilon_z)$

- **In case of prismatic bar,**

Volumetric strain, $\frac{dv}{v} = \epsilon(1 - 2\mu)$

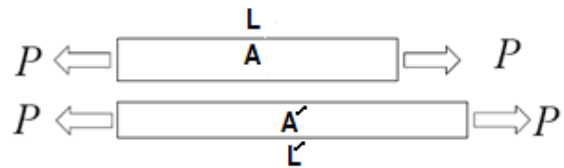
Proof: Before deformation, the volume of the bar, $V = A.L$

After deformation, the length (L') = $L(1 + \epsilon)$

and the new cross-sectional area (A') = $A(1 - \mu\epsilon)^2$

Therefore now volume (V') = $A'L' = AL(1 + \epsilon)(1 - \mu\epsilon)^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\Delta V}{V} &= \frac{V' - V}{V} = \frac{AL(1 + \epsilon)(1 - \mu\epsilon)^2 - AL}{AL} = \epsilon(1 - 2\mu) \\ \frac{\Delta V}{V} &= \epsilon(1 - 2\mu) \end{aligned}$$



- **Thin Cylindrical vessel**

$$\epsilon_1 = \text{Longitudinal strain} = \frac{\sigma_1}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_2}{E} = \frac{pr}{2Et} [1 - 2\mu]$$

$$\epsilon_2 = \text{Circumferential strain} = \frac{\sigma_2}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_1}{E} = \frac{pr}{2Et} [2 - \mu]$$

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V_0} = \epsilon_1 + 2\epsilon_2 = \frac{pr}{2Et} [5 - 4\mu]$$

- **Thin Spherical vessels**

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 = \frac{pr}{2Et} [1 - \mu]$$

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V_0} = 3\epsilon = \frac{3pr}{2Et}[1-\mu]$$

- **In case of pure shear**

$$\sigma_x = -\sigma_y = \tau$$

Therefore

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{\tau}{E}(1+\mu)$$

$$\epsilon_y = -\frac{\tau}{E}(1+\mu)$$

$$\epsilon_z = 0$$

$$\text{Therefore } \epsilon_v = \frac{dv}{v} = \epsilon_x + \epsilon_y + \epsilon_z = 0$$

2.16 Measurement of Strain

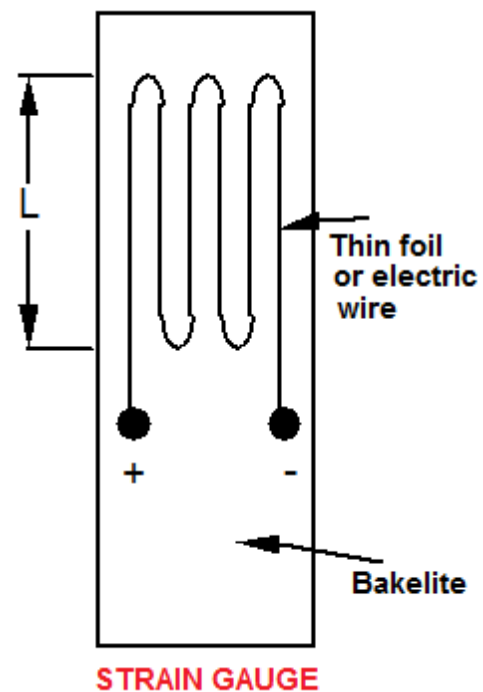
Unlike stress, strain **can** be measured directly. The most common way of measuring strain is by use of the **Strain Gauge**.

Strain Gauge

A strain gage is a simple device, comprising of a thin electric wire attached to an insulating thin backing material such as a bakelite foil. The foil is exposed to the surface of the specimen on which the strain is to be measured. The thin epoxy layer bonds the gauge to the surface and forces the gauge to shorten or elongate as if it were part of the specimen being strained.

A change in length of the gauge due to longitudinal strain creates a proportional change in the electric resistance, and since a constant current is maintained in the gauge, a proportional change in voltage. ($V = IR$).

The voltage can be easily measured, and through calibration, transformed into the change in length of the original gauge length, i.e. the longitudinal strain along the gauge length.



Strain Gauge factor (G.F)

$$GF = \frac{\Delta R / R}{\Delta l / l} = \frac{\Delta R / R}{\epsilon}$$

Measured from Bridge voltage
Given
Calculated

The strain gauge factor relates a change in resistance with strain.

The **strain rosette** is a device used to measure the state of strain at a point in a plane.

It comprises **three or more** independent strain gauges, each of which is used to read normal strain at the same point but in a different direction.

The relative orientation between the three gauges is known as α , β and δ

The three measurements of normal strain provide sufficient information for the determination of the complete state of strain at the measured point in 2-D.

We have to find out ϵ_x , ϵ_y , and γ_{xy} from measured value ϵ_a , ϵ_b , and ϵ_c

General arrangement:

The orientation of strain gauges is given in the figure. To relate strain we have to use the following formula.

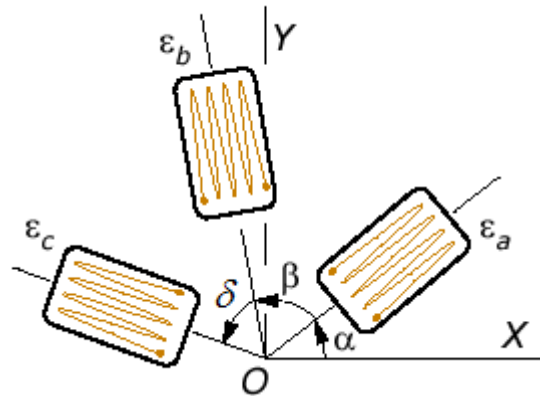
$$\epsilon_\theta = \frac{\epsilon_x + \epsilon_y}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_x - \epsilon_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} \sin 2\theta$$

We get

$$\epsilon_a = \frac{\epsilon_x + \epsilon_y}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_x - \epsilon_y}{2} \cos 2\alpha + \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} \sin 2\alpha$$

$$\epsilon_b = \frac{\epsilon_x + \epsilon_y}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_x - \epsilon_y}{2} \cos 2(\alpha + \beta) + \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} \sin 2(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$\epsilon_c = \frac{\epsilon_x + \epsilon_y}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_x - \epsilon_y}{2} \cos 2(\alpha + \beta + \delta) + \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} \sin 2(\alpha + \beta + \delta)$$



From this three equations and three unknown we may solve ϵ_x , ϵ_y , and γ_{xy}

• Two standard arrangement of the of the strain rosette are as follows:

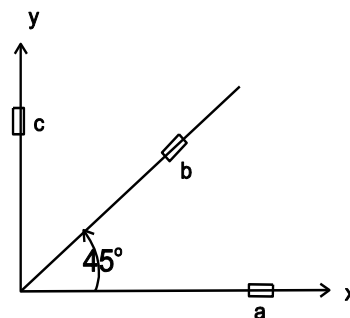
(i) 45° strain rosette or Rectangular strain rosette.

In the general arrangement above, put

$$\alpha = 0^\circ; \beta = 45^\circ \text{ and } \delta = 45^\circ$$

Putting the value we get

- $\epsilon_a = \epsilon_x$
- $\epsilon_b = \frac{\epsilon_x + \epsilon_y}{2} + \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2}$
- $\epsilon_c = \epsilon_y$



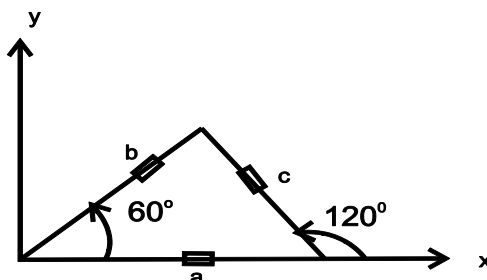
(ii) 60° strain rosette or Delta strain rosette

In the general arrangement above, put

$$\alpha = 0^\circ; \beta = 60^\circ \text{ and } \delta = 60^\circ$$

Putting the value we get

- $\epsilon_a = \epsilon_x$
- $\epsilon_b = \frac{\epsilon_x + 3\epsilon_y}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \gamma_{xy}$



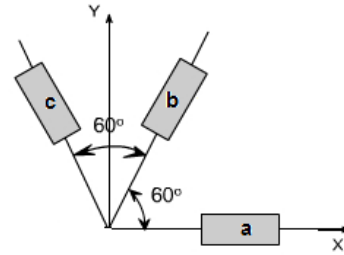
$$\bullet \quad \epsilon_c = \frac{\epsilon_x + 3\epsilon_y}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \gamma_{xy}$$

Solving above three equation we get

$$\epsilon_x = \epsilon_a$$

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{1}{3} (2\epsilon_b + 2\epsilon_c - \epsilon_a)$$

$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} (\epsilon_c - \epsilon_b)$$



OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Stresses at different angles and Pure Shear

GATE-1. A block of steel is loaded by a tangential force on its top surface while the bottom surface is held rigidly. The deformation of the block is due to

[GATE-1992]

- (a) Shear only (b) Bending only (c) Shear and bending (d) Torsion

GATE-2. A shaft subjected to torsion experiences a pure shear stress τ on the surface. The maximum principal stress on the surface which is at 45° to the axis will have a value

[GATE-2003]

- (a) $\tau \cos 45^\circ$ (b) $2\tau \cos 45^\circ$ (c) $\tau \cos^2 45^\circ$ (d) $2\tau \sin 45^\circ \cos 45^\circ$

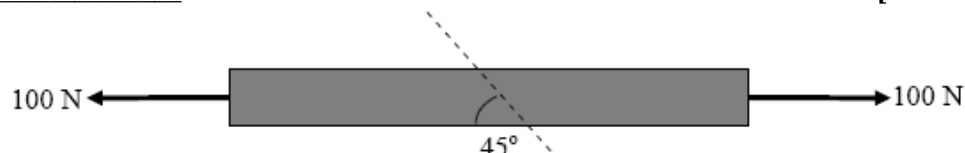
GATE-3. The number of components in a stress tensor defining stress at a point in three dimensions is:

[GATE-2002]

- (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 9

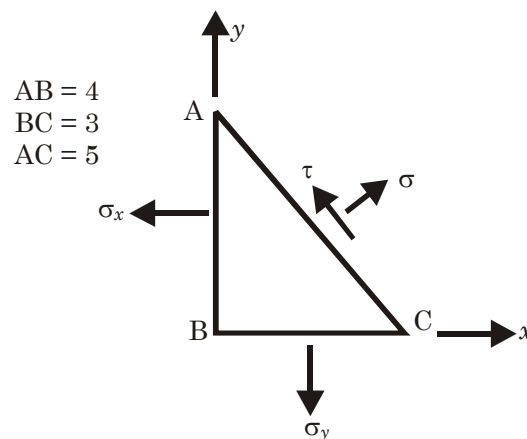
GATE-4. A bar of rectangular cross-sectional area of 50 mm^2 is pulled from both the sides by equal forces of 100 N as shown in the figure below. The shear stress (in MPa) along the plane making an angle 45° with the axis, shown as a dashed line in the figure, is

[PI: GATE-2016]



GATE-4a. In a two dimensional stress analysis, the state of stress at a point is shown below. If $\sigma = 120 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau = 70 \text{ MPa}$, σ_x and σ_y are respectively.

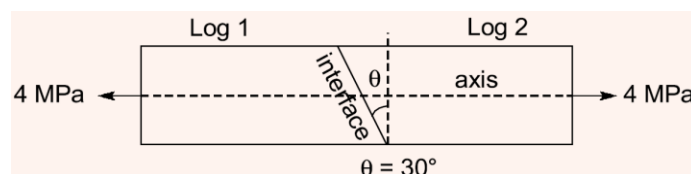
[CE: GATE-2004]



- (a) 26.7 MPa and 172.5 MPa (b) 54 MPa and 128 MPa
 (c) 67.5 MPa and 213.3 MPa (d) 16 MPa and 138 MPa

GATE-4b. A carpenter glues a pair of cylindrical wooden logs by bonding their end faces at an angle of $\theta = 30^\circ$ as shown in the figure.

[GATE-2018]



The glue used at the interface fails if

Criterion 1: the maximum normal stress exceeds 2.5 MPa

Criterion 2: the maximum shear stress exceeds 1.5 MPa

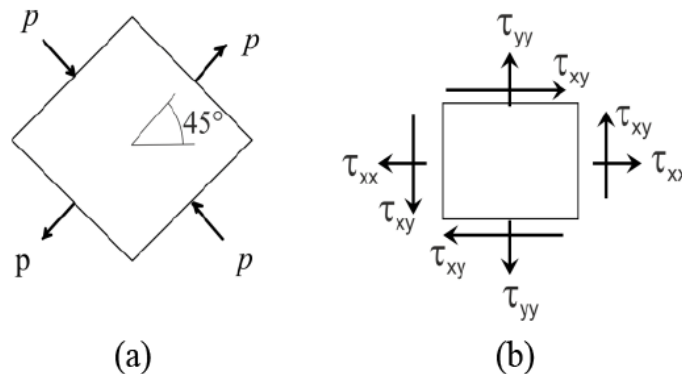
Assume that the interface fails before the logs fail. When a uniform tensile stress of 4 MPa is applied, the interface

- (a) fails only because of criterion 1
- (b) fails only because of criterion 2
- (c) fails because of both criteria 1 and 2
- (d) does not fail.

GATE-5. The symmetry of stress tensor at a point in the body under equilibrium is obtained from

- (a) conservation of mass
- (b) force equilibrium equations
- (c) moment equilibrium equations
- (d) conservation of energy [CE: GATE-2005]

GATE-5a. The state of stress at a point on an element is shown in figure (a). The same state of stress is shown in another coordinate system in figure (b) [GATE-2016]



The components (τ_{xx} , τ_{yy} , τ_{xy}) are given by

- (a) ($p/2$, $-p/2$, 0)
- (b) (0, 0, p)
- (c) (p , $-p$, $p/2$)
- (d) (0, 0, $p/2$)

GATE-5b. The state of stress at a point is $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = \sigma_z = \tau_{xz} = \tau_{zx} = \tau_{yz} = \tau_{zy} = 0$ and $\tau_{xy} = \tau_{yx} = 50$ MPa. The maximum normal stress (in MPa) at that point is _____.

[GATE-2017]

Principal Stress and Principal Plane

GATE-6. Consider the following statements:

[CE: GATE-2009]

1. On a principal plane, only normal stress acts
2. On a principal plane, both normal and shear stresses act
3. On a principal plane, only shear stress acts
4. Isotropic state of stress is independent of frame of reference.

Which of these statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 4
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 4
- (d) 2 and 3

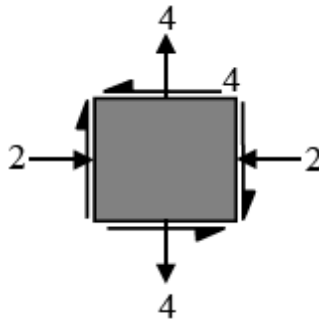
GATE-7. If principal stresses in a two-dimensional case are -10 MPa and 20 MPa respectively, then maximum shear stress at the point is [CE: GATE-2005]

- (a) 10 MPa
- (b) 15 MPa
- (c) 20 MPa
- (d) 30 MPa

GATE-7a. If σ_1 and σ_3 are the algebraically largest and smallest principal stresses respectively, the value of the maximum shear stress is [GATE-2018]

- (a) $\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}$ (b) $\frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2}$ (c) $\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}}$ (d) $\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2}}$

GATE-8 For the state of stresses (in MPa) shown in the figure below, the maximum shear stress (in MPa) is [CE: GATE-2014]



GATE-8(i) In a plane stress condition, the components of stress at point are $\sigma_x = 20$ MPa, $\sigma_y = 80$ MPa and $\tau_{xy} = 40$ MPa. The maximum shear stress (in MPa) at the point is [GATE-2015]

- (a) 20 (b) 25 (c) 50 (d) 100

GATE-9. A solid circular shaft of diameter 100 mm is subjected to an axial stress of 50 MPa. It is further subjected to a torque of 10 kNm. The maximum principal stress experienced on the shaft is closest to [GATE-2008]

- (a) 41 MPa (b) 82 MPa (c) 164 MPa (d) 204 MPa

GATE-10. The state of two dimensional stresses acting on a concrete lamina consists of a direct tensile stress, $\sigma_x = 1.5$ N/mm², and shear stress, $\tau = 1.20$ N/mm², which cause cracking of concrete. Then the tensile strength of the concrete in N/mm² is [CE: GATE-2003]

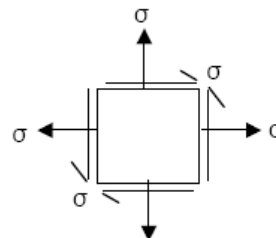
- (a) 1.50 (b) 2.08
(c) 2.17 (d) 2.29

GATE-11. In a bi-axial stress problem, the stresses in x and y directions are ($\sigma_x = 200$ MPa and $\sigma_y = 100$ MPa). The maximum principal stress in MPa, is: [GATE-2000]

- (a) 50 (b) 100 (c) 150 (d) 200

GATE-12. The maximum principle stress for the stress state shown in the figure is

- (a) σ (b) 2σ
(c) 3σ (d) 1.5σ



[GATE-2001]

GATE-13. The normal stresses at a point are $\sigma_x = 10$ MPa and, $\sigma_y = 2$ MPa; the shear stress at this point is 4MPa. The maximum principal stress at this point is: [GATE-1998]

- (a) 16 MPa (b) 14 MPa (c) 11 MPa (d) 10 MPa

GATE-14. The state of stress at a point is given by $\sigma_x = -6$ MPa, $\sigma_y = 4$ MPa, and $\tau_{xy} = -8$ MPa. The maximum tensile stress (in MPa) at the point is [GATE-2014]

GATE-14a. The state of stress at a point, for a body in plane stress, is shown in the figure below. If the minimum principal stress is 10 kPa, then the normal stress σ_x (in kPa) is

- (a) 9.45 (b) 18.88 (c) 37.78 (d) 75.50 [GATE-2018]

Mohr's Circle

GATE-15. In a Mohr's circle, the radius of the circle is taken as: [IES-2006; GATE-1993]

- (a) $\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + (\tau_{xy})^2}$ (b) $\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + (\tau_{xy})^2}$
 (c) $\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 - (\tau_{xy})^2}$ (d) $\sqrt{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)^2 + (\tau_{xy})^2}$

Where, σ_x and σ_y are normal stresses along x and y directions respectively and τ_{xy} is the shear stress.

GATE-16. A two dimensional fluid element rotates like a rigid body. At a point within the element, the pressure is 1 unit. Radius of the Mohr's circle, characterizing the state of stress at that point, is: [GATE-2008]

- (a) 0.5 unit (b) 0 unit (c) 1 unit (d) 2 units

GATE-17. The state of stress at a point under plane stress condition is

$\sigma_{xx} = 40 \text{ MPa}$, $\sigma_{yy} = 100 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau_{xy} = 40 \text{ MPa}$.

The radius of the Mohr's circle representing the given state of stress in MPa is

- (a) 40 (b) 50 (c) 60 (d) 100 [GATE-2012]

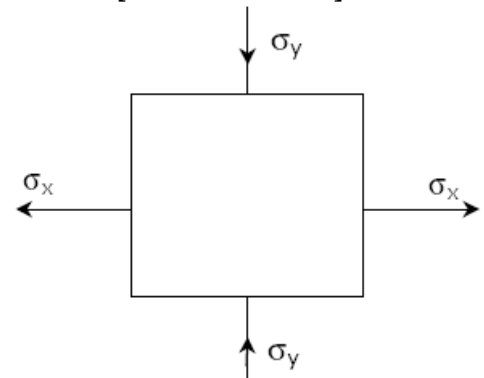
GATE-18. Mohr's circle for the state of stress defined by $\begin{bmatrix} 30 & 0 \\ 0 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$ MPa is a circle with

- (a) center at (0, 0) and radius 30 MPa (b) center at (0, 0) and radius 60 MPa
 (c) center at (20, 0) and radius 30 MPa (d) center at (30, 0) and zero radius

[CE: GATE-2006]

GATE-20. The figure shows the state of stress at a certain point in a stressed body. The magnitudes of normal stresses in the x and y direction are 100 MPa and 20 MPa respectively. The radius of Mohr's stress circle representing this state of stress is:

- (a) 120 (b) 80
 (c) 60 (d) 40



[GATE-2004]

Data for Q21–Q22 are given below. Solve the problems and choose correct answers.

[GATE-2003]

The state of stress at a point "P" in a two dimensional loading is such that the Mohr's circle is a point located at 175 MPa on the positive normal stress axis.

GATE-21. Determine the maximum and minimum principal stresses respectively from the Mohr's circle

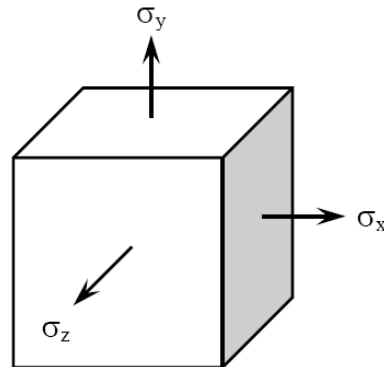
- (a) + 175 MPa, -175 MPa (b) +175 MPa, +175 MPa
 (c) 0, -175 MPa (d) 0, 0

GATE-22. Determine the directions of maximum and minimum principal stresses at the point "P" from the Mohr's circle [GATE-2003]

- (a) 0, 90° (b) 90°, 0 (c) 45°, 135° (d) All directions

Volumetric Strain

GATE-23. An elastic isotropic body is in a hydrostatic state of stress as shown in the figure. For no change in the volume to occur, what should be its Poisson's ratio? [CE: GATE-2016]



- (a) 0.00 (b) 0.25 (c) 0.50 (d) 1.00

GATE-23a. The Poisson's ratio for a perfectly incompressible linear elastic material is
(a) 1 (b) 0.5 (c) 0 (d) Infinity [GATE-2017]

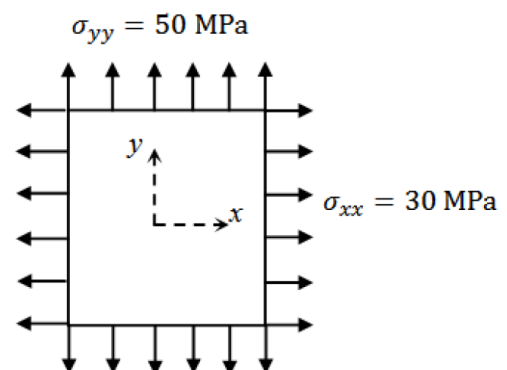
GATE-23b. Length, width and thickness of a plate are 400 mm, 400 mm and 30 mm, respectively. For the material of the plate, Young's modulus of elasticity is 70 GPa, yield stress is 80 MPa and Poisson's ratio is 0.33. When the plate is subjected to a longitudinal tensile stress of 70 MPa, the increase in the volume (in mm³) of the plate is __ [GATE-2017(PI)]

Principal strains

GATE-24. If the two principal strains at a point are 1000×10^{-6} and -600×10^{-6} , then the maximum shear strain is: [GATE-1996]
(a) 800×10^{-6} (b) 500×10^{-6} (c) 1600×10^{-6} (d) 200×10^{-6}

GATE-24a. A plate in equilibrium is subjected to uniform stresses along its edges with magnitude $\sigma_{xx} = 30$ MPa and $\sigma_{yy} = 50$ MPa as shown in the figure. The Young's modulus of the material is 2×10^{11} N/m² and the Poisson's ratio is 0.3. If σ_{zz} is negligibly small and assumed to be zero, then the strain ϵ_{zz} is

- (a) -120×10^{-6} (b) -60×10^{-6}
(c) 0.0 (d) 120×10^{-6}



[CE: GATE-2018]

GATE-24b. A rectangular region in a solid is in a state of plane strain. The (x, y) coordinates of the corners of the undeformed rectangle are given by P(0,0), R(4,3), S(0,3). The rectangle is subjected to uniform strains, $\epsilon_{xx} = 0.001$, $\epsilon_{yy} = 0.002$, $\gamma_{xy} = 0.003$. The deformed length of the elongated diagonal, upto three decimal places, is _____ units. [GATE-2017]

Strain Rosette

GATE-25. The components of strain tensor at a point in the plane strain case can be obtained by measuring longitudinal strain in following directions.

- (a) along any two arbitrary directions (b) along any three arbitrary direction
(c) along two mutually orthogonal directions
(d) along any arbitrary direction

[CE: GATE-2005]

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Stresses at different angles and Pure Shear

IES-1. If a prismatic bar be subjected to an axial tensile stress σ , then shear stress induced on a plane inclined at θ with the axis will be: [IES-1992]

- (a) $\frac{\sigma}{2} \sin 2\theta$ (b) $\frac{\sigma}{2} \cos 2\theta$ (c) $\frac{\sigma}{2} \cos^2 \theta$ (d) $\frac{\sigma}{2} \sin^2 \theta$

IES-1a. The state of stress at a point when completely specified enables one to determine the
1. maximum shearing stress at the point [IES-2016]
2. stress components on any arbitrary plane containing that point

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

IES-2. In the case of bi-axial state of normal stresses, the normal stress on 45° plane is equal to [IES-1992]

- (a) The sum of the normal stresses (b) Difference of the normal stresses
(c) Half the sum of the normal stresses (d) Half the difference of the normal stresses

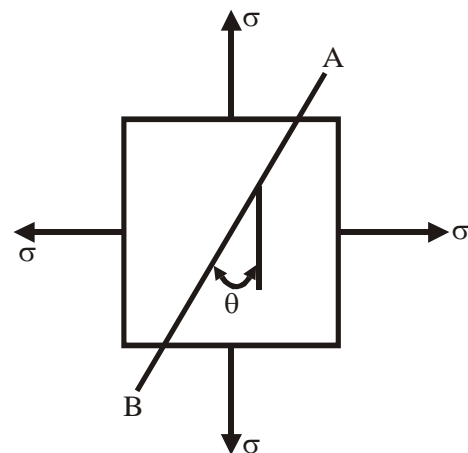
IES-2(i). Two principal tensile stresses of magnitudes 40MPa and 20MPa are acting at a point across two perpendicular planes. An oblique plane makes an angle of 30° with the major principal plane. The normal stress on the oblique plane is [IES-2014]

- (a) 8.66MPa (b) 17.32MPa (c) 35.0MPa (d) 60.0MPa

IES-2a

A point in two-dimensional stress state, is subjected to biaxial stress as shown in the above figure. The shear stress acting on the plane AB is

- (a) Zero (b) σ
(c) $\sigma \cos^2 \theta$ (d) $\sigma \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta$



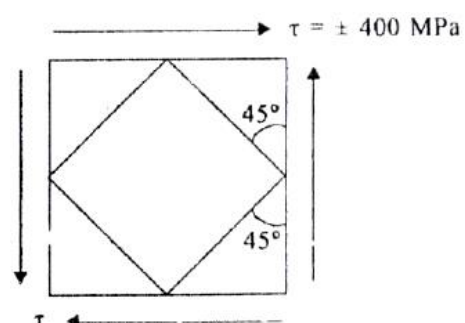
[IES-2010]

IES-3. In a two-dimensional problem, the state of pure shear at a point is characterized by [IES-2001]

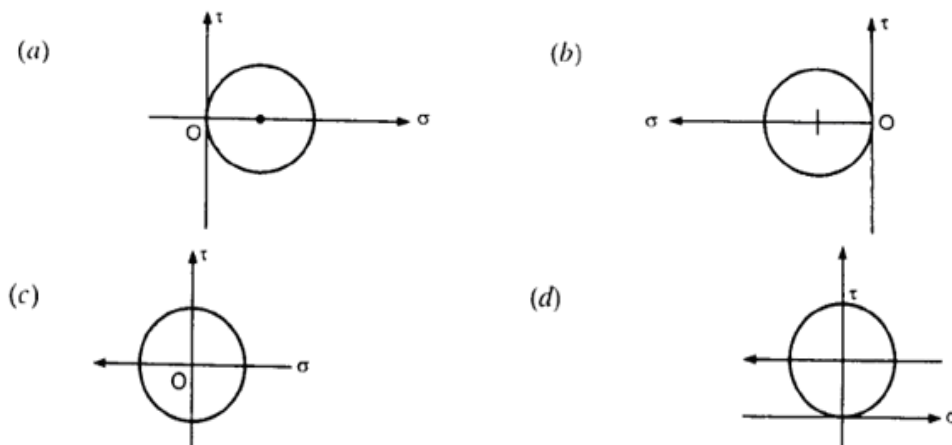
- (a) $\epsilon_x = \epsilon_y$ and $\gamma_{xy} = 0$ (b) $\epsilon_x = -\epsilon_y$ and $\gamma_{xy} \neq 0$
(c) $\epsilon_x = 2\epsilon_y$ and $\gamma_{xy} \neq 0$ (d) $\epsilon_x = 0.5\epsilon_y$ and $\gamma_{xy} = 0$

IES-3a. What are the normal and shear stresses on the 45° planes shown?

- (a) $\sigma_1 = -\sigma_2 = 400 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau = 0$
(b) $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = 400 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau = 0$
(c) $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = -400 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau = 0$
(d) $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \tau = \pm 200 \text{ MPa}$



IES-4. Which one of the following Mohr's circles represents the state of pure shear? [IES-2000]



IES-4(i). If the Mohr's circle drawn for the shear stress developed because of torque applied over a shaft, then the maximum shear stress developed will be equal to [IES-2014]
 (a) diameter of the Mohr's circle (b) radius of the Mohr's circle
 (c) half of the radius of the Mohr's circle (d) 1.414 times radius of the Mohr's circle

IES-5. For the state of stress of pure shear τ the strain energy stored per unit volume in the elastic, homogeneous isotropic material having elastic constants E and ν will be: [IES-1998]

(a) $\frac{\tau^2}{E}(1+\nu)$ (b) $\frac{\tau^2}{2E}(1+\nu)$ (c) $\frac{2\tau^2}{E}(1+\nu)$ (d) $\frac{\tau^2}{2E}(2+\nu)$

IES-6. Assertion (A): If the state at a point is pure shear, then the principal planes through that point making an angle of 45° with plane of shearing stress carries principal stresses whose magnitude is equal to that of shearing stress.
 Reason (R): Complementary shear stresses are equal in magnitude, but opposite in direction. [IES-1996]

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IES-7. Assertion (A): Circular shafts made of brittle material fail along a helicoidally surface inclined at 45° to the axis (artery point) when subjected to twisting moment.
 Reason (R): The state of pure shear caused by torsion of the shaft is equivalent to one of tension at 45° to the shaft axis and equal compression in the perpendicular direction. [IES-1995]

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IES-8. A state of pure shear in a biaxial state of stress is given by [IES-1994]

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\sigma_1 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x & \tau_{xy} \\ \tau_{yx} & \sigma_y \end{pmatrix}$ (d) None of the above

IES-9. The state of plane stress in a plate of 100 mm thickness is given as [IES-2000]
 $\sigma_{xx} = 100 \text{ N/mm}^2$, $\sigma_{yy} = 200 \text{ N/mm}^2$, Young's modulus = 300 N/mm^2 , Poisson's ratio = 0.3.
 The stress developed in the direction of thickness is:
 (a) Zero (b) 90 N/mm^2 (c) 100 N/mm^2 (d) 200 N/mm^2

IES-10. The state of plane stress at a point is described by $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = \sigma$ and $\tau_{xy} = 0$. The normal stress on the plane inclined at 45° to the x-plane will be: [IES-1998]

- (a) σ (b) $\sqrt{2}\sigma$ (c) $\sqrt{3}\sigma$ (d) 2σ

IES-10(i). An elastic material of Young's modulus E and Poisson's ratio ν is subjected to a compressive stress of σ_1 in the longitudinal direction. Suitable lateral compressive stress σ_2 are also applied along the other two lateral directions to limit the net strain in each of the lateral direction to half of the magnitude that would be under σ_1 acting alone. The magnitude of σ_2 is [IES-2012]

- (a) $\frac{\nu}{2(1+\nu)}\sigma_1$ (b) $\frac{\nu}{2(1-\nu)}\sigma_1$ (c) $\frac{\nu}{(1+\nu)}\sigma_1$ (d) $\frac{\nu}{(1-\nu)}\sigma_1$

IES-11. Consider the following statements: [IES-1996, 1998]
State of stress in two dimensions at a point in a loaded component can be completely specified by indicating the normal and shear stresses on

1. A plane containing the point
2. Any two planes passing through the point
3. Two mutually perpendicular planes passing through the point

Of these statements

- (a) 1, and 3 are correct (b) 2 alone is correct
(c) 1 alone is correct (d) 3 alone is correct

IES-11a. If the principal stresses and maximum shearing stresses are of equal numerical value at a point in a stressed body, the state of stress can be termed as

- (a) Isotropic (b) Uniaxial [IES-2010]
(c) Pure shear (d) Generalized plane state of stress

Principal Stress and Principal Plane

IES-12. In a biaxial state of stress, normal stresses are $\sigma_x = 900 \text{ N/mm}^2$, $\sigma_y = 100 \text{ N/mm}^2$ and shear stress $\tau = 300 \text{ N/mm}^2$. The maximum principal stress is [IES-2015]

- (a) 800 N/mm^2 (b) 900 N/mm^2 (c) 1000 N/mm^2 (d) 1200 N/mm^2

IES-12(i). A body is subjected to a pure tensile stress of 100 units. What is the maximum shear produced in the body at some oblique plane due to the above? [IES-2006]

- (a) 100 units (b) 75 units (c) 50 units (d) 0 unit

IES-13. In a strained material one of the principal stresses is twice the other. The maximum shear stress in the same case is τ_{\max} . Then, what is the value of the maximum principle stress? [IES 2007]

- (a) τ_{\max} (b) $2\tau_{\max}$ (c) $4\tau_{\max}$ (d) $8\tau_{\max}$

IES-13a. A body is subjected to a direct tensile stress of 300 MPa in one plane accompanied by a simple shear stress of 200 MPa. The maximum normal stress on the plane will be

- (a) 100 MPa (b) 200 MPa (c) 300 MPa (d) 400 MPa [IES-2016]

IES-13b. The state of stress at a point in a loaded member is $\sigma_x = 400 \text{ MPa}$, $\sigma_y = -400 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau_{xy} = \pm 300 \text{ MPa}$. The principal stresses σ_1 and σ_2 are [IES-2016]

- (a) 300 MPa and -700 MPa (b) 400 MPa and -600 MPa
(c) 500 MPa and -500 MPa (d) 600 MPa and -400 MPa

IES-13c. The state of plane stress at a point in a loaded member is given by:

$$\sigma_x = +800 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_y = +200 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\tau_{xy} = \pm 400 \text{ MPa}$$

[IES-2013]

The maximum principal stress and maximum shear stress are given by:

- (a) $\sigma_{\max} = 800 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau_{\max} = 400 \text{ MPa}$

- (b) $\sigma_{\max} = 800 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau_{\max} = 500 \text{ MPa}$
 (c) $\sigma_{\max} = 1000 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau_{\max} = 500 \text{ MPa}$
 (d) $\sigma_{\max} = 1000 \text{ MPa}$ and $\tau_{\max} = 400 \text{ MPa}$

IES-13d. The state of stress at a point in a body is given by $\sigma_x = 100 \text{ MPa}$, $\sigma_y = 200 \text{ MPa}$. One of the principal $\sigma_1 = 250 \text{ MPa}$. The magnitude of other principal stress and shearing stress τ_{xy} are respectively [IES-2015]

- (a) $50\sqrt{3} \text{ MPa}$ and 50 MPa (b) 100 MPa and $50\sqrt{3} \text{ MPa}$
 (c) 50 MPa and $50\sqrt{3} \text{ MPa}$ (d) $50\sqrt{3} \text{ MPa}$ and 100 MPa

IES-13e. A state of plane stress consists of a uniaxial tensile stress of magnitude 8 kPa , exerted on vertical surfaces and of unknown shearing stresses. If the largest stress is 10 kPa , then the magnitude of the unknown shear stress will be [IES-2018]

- (a) 6.47 kPa (b) 5.47 kPa (c) 4.47 kPa (d) 3.47 kPa

IES-14. In a strained material, normal stresses on two mutually perpendicular planes are σ_x and σ_y (both alike) accompanied by a shear stress τ_{xy} . One of the principal stresses will be zero, only if [IES-2006]

- (a) $\tau_{xy} = \frac{\sigma_x \times \sigma_y}{2}$ (b) $\tau_{xy} = \sigma_x \times \sigma_y$ (c) $\tau_{xy} = \sqrt{\sigma_x \times \sigma_y}$ (d) $\tau_{xy} = \sqrt{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2}$

IES-15. The principal stresses σ_1 , σ_2 and σ_3 at a point respectively are 80 MPa , 30 MPa and -40 MPa . The maximum shear stress is: [IES-2001]

- (a) 25 MPa (b) 35 MPa (c) 55 MPa (d) 60 MPa

IES-15(i). A piece of material is subjected, to two perpendicular tensile stresses of 70 MPa and 10 MPa . The magnitude of the resultant stress on a plane in which the maximum shear stress occurs is [IES-2012]

- (a) 70 MPa (b) 60 MPa (c) 50 MPa (d) 10 MPa

IES-16. Plane stress at a point in a body is defined by principal stresses 3σ and σ . The ratio of the normal stress to the maximum shear stresses on the plane of maximum shear stress is: [IES-2000]

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

IES-16(i). A system under biaxial loading induces principal stresses of 100 N/cm^2 tensile and 50 N/cm^2 compressive at a point. The normal stress at that point on the maximum shear stress at that point on maximum shear stress plane is [IES-2015]

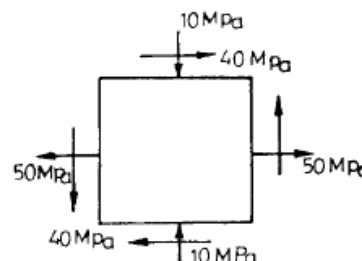
- (a) 75 N/cm^2 (b) 50 N/cm^2 (c) 100 N/cm^2 (d) 25 N/cm^2

IES-17. Principal stresses at a point in plane stressed element are $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 500 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. Normal stress on the plane inclined at 45° to x-axis will be: [IES-1993]

- (a) 0 (b) 500 kg/cm^2 (c) 707 kg/cm^2 (d) 1000 kg/cm^2

IES-19. For the state of plane stress. Shown the maximum and minimum principal stresses are:

- (a) 60 MPa and 30 MPa
 (b) 50 MPa and 10 MPa
 (c) 40 MPa and 20 MPa
 (d) 70 MPa and 30 MPa



[IES-1992]

IES-20. Normal stresses of equal magnitude p , but of opposite signs, act at a point of a strained material in perpendicular direction. What is the magnitude of the resultant normal stress on a plane inclined at 45° to the applied stresses? [IES-2005]

- (a) $2p$ (b) $p/2$ (c) $p/4$ (d) Zero

IES-21. A plane stressed element is subjected to the state of stress given by $\sigma_x = \tau_{xy} = 100 \text{ kgf/cm}^2$ and $\sigma_y = 0$. Maximum shear stress in the element is equal to

[IES-1997]

- (a) $50\sqrt{3} \text{ kgf/cm}^2$ (b) 100 kgf/cm^2 (c) $50\sqrt{5} \text{ kgf/cm}^2$ (d) 150 kgf/cm^2

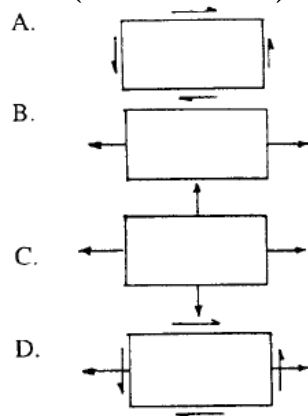
IES-21(i). The magnitudes of principal stresses at a point are 250 MPa tensile and 150 MPa compressive. The magnitudes of the shearing stress on a plane on which the normal stress is 200 MPa tensile and the normal stress on a plane at right angle to this plane are

[IES-2015]

- (a) $50\sqrt{7} \text{ MPa}$ and 50 MPa (tensile) (b) 100 MPa and 100 MPa (compressive)
(c) $50\sqrt{7} \text{ MPa}$ and 100 MPa (compressive) (d) 100 MPa and $50\sqrt{7} \text{ MPa}$ (tensile)

IES-22. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer, using the codes given below the lists: [IES-1995]

List I (State of stress)



List II (Kind of loading)

1. Combined bending and torsion of circular shaft.
2. Torsion of circular shaft.
3. Thin cylinder subjected to internal pressure.
4. Tie bar subjected to tensile force.

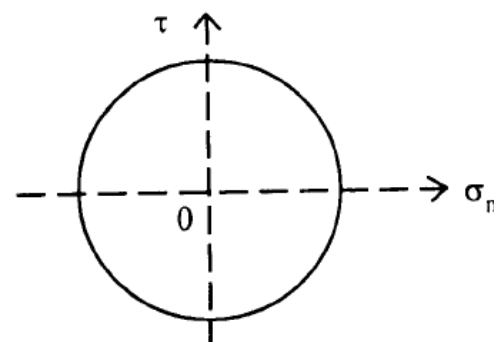
Codes:	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
(a)	1	2	3	4	(b)	2	3	4
(c)	2	4	3	1	(d)	3	4	1
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Mohr's circle

IES-23. Consider the Mohr's circle shown above:

What is the state of stress represented by this circle?

- (a) $\sigma_x = \sigma_y \neq 0, \tau_{xy} = 0$
(b) $\sigma_x + \sigma_y = 0, \tau_{xy} \neq 0$
(c) $\sigma_x = 0, \sigma_y = \tau_{xy} \neq 0$
(d) $\sigma_x \neq 0, \sigma_y = \tau_{xy} = 0$



[IES-2008]

IES-24. For a general two dimensional stress system, what are the coordinates of the centre of Mohr's circle? [IES 2007]

- (a) $\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}, 0$ (b) $0, \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}$ (c) $\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}, 0$ (d) $0, \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}$

IES-25. In a Mohr's circle, the radius of the circle is taken as: [IES-2006; GATE-1993]

- (a) $\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + (\tau_{xy})^2}$ (b) $\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + (\tau_{xy})^2}$
 (c) $\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 - (\tau_{xy})^2}$ (d) $\sqrt{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)^2 + (\tau_{xy})^2}$

Where, σ_x and σ_y are normal stresses along x and y directions respectively and τ_{xy} is the shear stress.

IES-25(i). The state of stress at a point under plane stress condition is

$$\sigma_{xx} = 60 \text{ MPa}, \sigma_{yy} = 120 \text{ MPa} \text{ and } \tau_{xy} = 40 \text{ MPa}.$$

[IES-2014]

The radius of Mohr's circle representing a given state of stress in MPa is

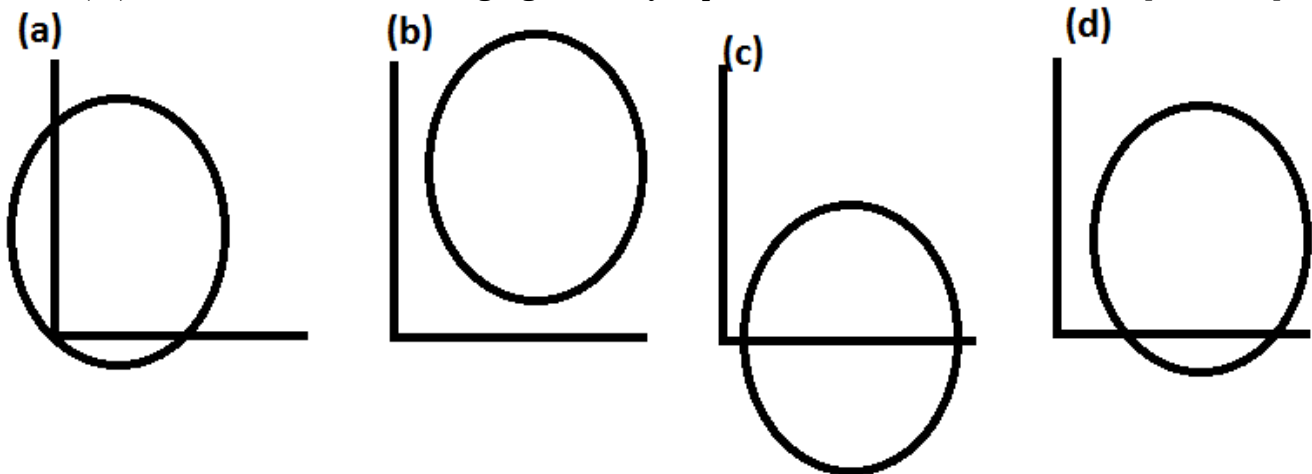
- (a) 40 (b) 50 (c) 60 (d) 120

IES-25(ii). The state of stress at a point is given by $\sigma_x = 100 \text{ MPa}$, $\sigma_y = -50 \text{ MPa}$, $\tau_{xy} = 100 \text{ MPa}$. The centre of Mohr's circle and its radius will be [IES-2015]

- (a) ($\sigma_x = 75 \text{ MPa}$, $\tau_{xy} = 0$) and 75 MPa (b) ($\sigma_x = 25 \text{ MPa}$, $\tau_{xy} = 0$) and 125 MPa
 (c) ($\sigma_x = 25 \text{ MPa}$, $\tau_{xy} = 0$) and 150 MPa (d) ($\sigma_x = 75 \text{ MPa}$, $\tau_{xy} = 0$) and 125 MPa

IES-25(iii). Which of the following figures may represent Mohr's circle?

[IES-2014]



IES-26. Maximum shear stress in a Mohr's Circle

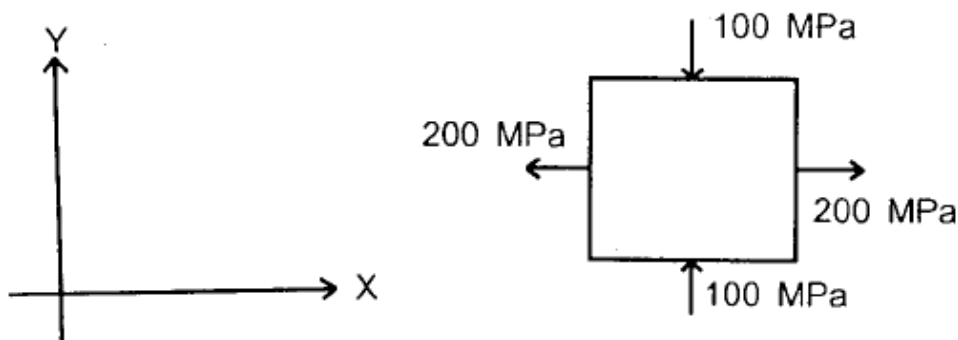
[IES- 2008]

- (a) Is equal to radius of Mohr's circle (b) Is greater than radius of Mohr's circle
 (c) Is less than radius of Mohr's circle (d) Could be any of the above

IES-27. At a point in two-dimensional stress system $\sigma_x = 100 \text{ N/mm}^2$, $\sigma_y = \tau_{xy} = 40 \text{ N/mm}^2$. What is the radius of the Mohr circle for stress drawn with a scale of: $1 \text{ cm} = 10 \text{ N/mm}^2$? [IES-2005]

- (a) 3 cm (b) 4 cm (c) 5 cm (d) 6 cm

IES-28. Consider a two dimensional state of stress given for an element as shown in the diagram given below: [IES-2004]



What are the coordinates of the centre of Mohr's circle?

- (a) (0, 0) (b) (100, 200) (c) (200, 100) (d) (50, 0)

IES-29. Two-dimensional state of stress at a point in a plane stressed element is represented by a Mohr circle of zero radius. Then both principal stresses

- (a) Are equal to zero [IES-2003]
 (b) Are equal to zero and shear stress is also equal to zero
 (c) Are of equal magnitude but of opposite sign
 (d) Are of equal magnitude and of same sign

IES-30. Assertion (A): Mohr's circle of stress can be related to Mohr's circle of strain by some constant of proportionality. [IES-2002, IES-2012]

Reason (R): The relationship is a function of yield stress of the material.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IES-30(i). Consider the following statements related to Mohr's circle for stresses in case of plane stress: [IES-2015]

1. The construction is for variations of stress in a body.
2. The radius of the circle represents the magnitude of the maximum shearing stress.
3. The diameter represents the difference between two principal stresses.

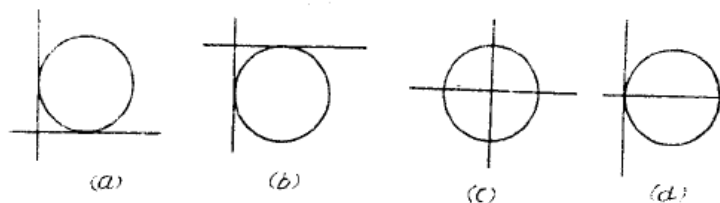
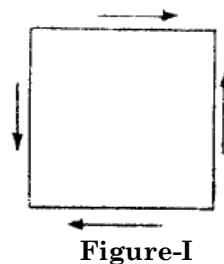
Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2 and 3 only (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1 and 2 only

IES-31. When two mutually perpendicular principal stresses are unequal but like, the maximum shear stress is represented by [IES-1994]

- (a) The diameter of the Mohr's circle
 (b) Half the diameter of the Mohr's circle
 (c) One-third the diameter of the Mohr's circle
 (d) One-fourth the diameter of the Mohr's circle

IES-32. State of stress in a plane element is shown in figure I. Which one of the following figures-II is the correct sketch of Mohr's circle of the state of stress? [IES-1993, 1996]



Strain

Volumetric Strain

IES-33. If a piece of material neither expands nor contracts in volume when subjected to stress, then the Poisson's ratio must be

- (a) Zero (b) 0.25 (c) 0.33 (d) 0.5 [IES-2011]

IES-33a. A metal piece under the stress state of three principal stresses 30, 10 and 5 kg/mm² is undergoing plastic deformation. The principal strain rates will be in the proportions of [IES-2016]

- (a) 15, -5 and -10 (b) -15, 5 and -10
 (c) 15, 5 and 10 (d) -15, -5 and 10

IES-33b. A point in a two dimensional state of strain is subjected to pure shearing strain of magnitude γ_{xy} radians. Which one of the following is the maximum principal strain?

[IES-2008]

- (a) γ_{xy} (b) $\gamma_{xy} / \sqrt{2}$ (c) $\gamma_{xy} / 2$ (d) $2\gamma_{xy}$

IES-34. Assertion (A): A plane state of stress does not necessarily result into a plane state of strain as well. [IES-1996]

Reason (R): Normal stresses acting along X and Y directions will also result into normal strain along the Z-direction.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IES-34a Assertion (A): A plane state of stress always results in a plane state of strain.

Reason (R): A uniaxial state of stress results in a three-dimensional state of strain.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false [IES-2010]
 (d) A is false but R is true

IES-34b Assertion (A): A state of plane strain always results in plane stress conditions.

Reason (R): A thin sheet of metal stretched in its own plane results in plane strain conditions.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IES-34c. Consider the following statements:

When a thick plate is subjected to external loads:

1. State of plane stress occurs at the surface
2. State of plane strain occurs at the surface
3. State of plane stress occurs in the interior part of the plate
4. State of plane strain occurs in the interior part of the plate

Which of these statements are correct?

[IES-2013]

- (a) 1 and 3 (b) 2 and 4 (c) 1 and 4 (d) 2 and 3

Principal strains

IES-35. Principal strains at a point are 100×10^{-6} and -200×10^{-6} . What is the maximum shear strain at the point? [IES-2006]

- (a) 300×10^{-6} (b) 200×10^{-6} (c) 150×10^{-6} (d) 100×10^{-6}

IES-36. The principal strains at a point in a body, under biaxial state of stress, are 1000×10^{-6} and -600×10^{-6} . What is the maximum shear strain at that point? [IES-2009]

- (a) 200×10^{-6} (b) 800×10^{-6} (c) 1000×10^{-6} (d) 1600×10^{-6}

IES-37. The number of strain readings (using strain gauges) needed on a plane surface to determine the principal strains and their directions is: [IES-1994]

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

Principal strain induced by principal stress

IES-38. The principal stresses at a point in two dimensional stress system are σ_1 and σ_2 and corresponding principal strains are ε_1 and ε_2 . If E and ν denote Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio, respectively, then which one of the following is correct?

[IES-2008]

- (a) $\sigma_1 = E\varepsilon_1$ (b) $\sigma_1 = \frac{E}{1-\nu^2}[\varepsilon_1 + \nu\varepsilon_2]$
 (c) $\sigma_1 = \frac{E}{1-\nu^2}[\varepsilon_1 - \nu\varepsilon_2]$ (d) $\sigma_1 = E[\varepsilon_1 - \nu\varepsilon_2]$

IES-38(i). At a point in a body, $\varepsilon_1 = 0.004$ and $\varepsilon_2 = -0.00012$. If $E = 2 \times 10^5$ MPa and $\mu = 0.3$, the smallest normal stress and the largest shearing stress are

[IES-2015]

- (a) 40MPa and 40MPa (b) 0MPa and 40MPa
 (c) 80MPa and 0MPa (d) 0MPa and 80MPa

IES-38(ii). Two strain gauges fixed along the principal directions on a plane surface of a steel member recorded strain values of 0.0013 tensile and 0.0013 compressive respectively. Given that the value of $E = 2 \times 10^5$ MPa and $\mu = 0.3$, the largest normal and shearing stress at this point are

[IES-2015]

- (a) 200MPa and 200MPa (b) 400MPa and 200MPa
 (c) 260MPa and 260MPa (d) 260MPa and 520MPa

IES-39. Assertion (A): Mohr's construction is possible for stresses, strains and area moment of inertia.

[IES-2009]

Reason (R): Mohr's circle represents the transformation of second-order tensor.

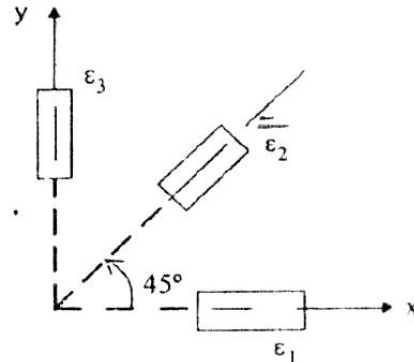
- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A.
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A.
 (c) A is true but R is false.
 (d) A is false but R is true.

IES-40. A rectangular strain rosette, shown in figure, gives following reading in a strain measurement task,

$$\varepsilon_1 = 1000 \times 10^{-6}, \varepsilon_2 = 800 \times 10^{-6} \text{ and } \varepsilon_3 = 600 \times 10^{-6}$$

The direction of the major principal strain with respect to gauge 1 is

- (a) 0° (b) 15°
 (c) 30° (d) 45°



[IES-2011]

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Stresses at different angles and Pure Shear

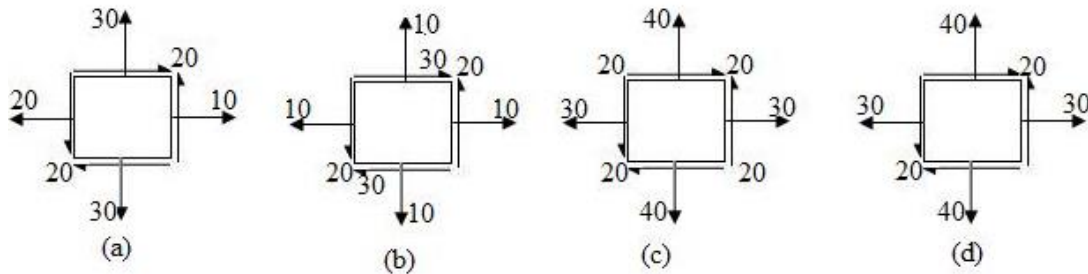
IAS-1. On a plane, resultant stress is inclined at an angle of 45° to the plane. If the normal stress is 100 N/mm^2 , the shear stress on the plane is:

[IAS-2003]

- (a) 71.5 N/mm^2 (b) 100 N/mm^2 (c) 86.6 N/mm^2 (d) 120.8 N/mm^2

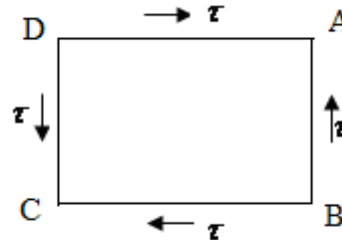
IAS-2. Biaxial stress system is correctly shown in

[IAS-1999]



IAS-3. The complementary shear stresses of intensity τ are induced at a point in the material, as shown in the figure. Which one of the following is the correct set of orientations of principal planes with respect to AB?

- (a) 30° and 120° (b) 45° and 135°
 (c) 60° and 150° (d) 75° and 165°



[IAS-1998]

IAS-4. A uniform bar lying in the x -direction is subjected to pure bending. Which one of the following tensors represents the strain variations when bending moment is about the z -axis (p , q and r constants)?

[IAS-2001]

- (a) $\begin{pmatrix} py & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & qy & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & ry \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} py & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & qy & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 (c) $\begin{pmatrix} py & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & py & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & py \end{pmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{pmatrix} py & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & qy & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & qy \end{pmatrix}$

IAS-5. Assuming $E = 160$ GPa and $G = 100$ GPa for a material, a strain tensor is given as:

[IAS-2001]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.002 & 0.004 & 0.006 \\ 0.004 & 0.003 & 0 \\ 0.006 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

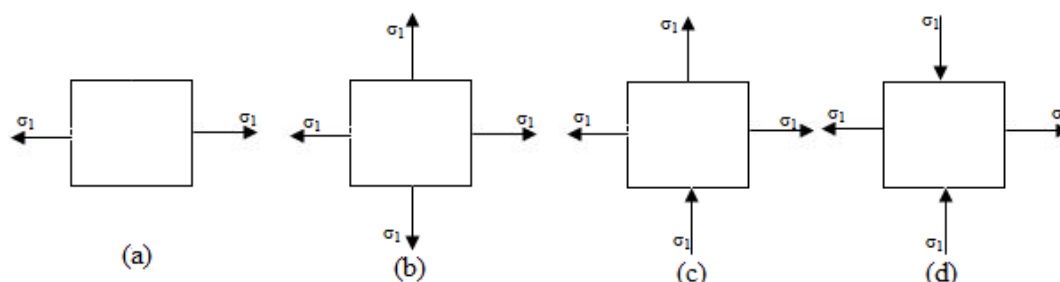
The shear stress, τ_{xy} is:

- (a) 400 MPa (b) 500 MPa (c) 800 MPa (d) 1000 MPa

Principal Stress and Principal Plane

IAS-6. A material element subjected to a plane state of stress such that the maximum shear stress is equal to the maximum tensile stress, would correspond to

[IAS-1998]

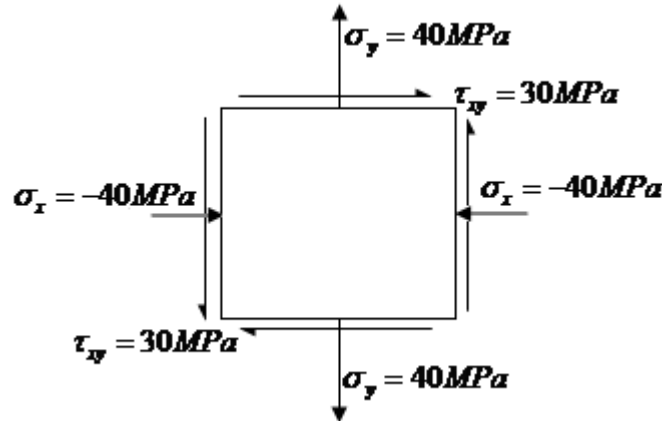


IAS-7. A solid circular shaft is subjected to a maximum shearing stress of 140 MPa. The magnitude of the maximum normal stress developed in the shaft is:

[IAS-1995]

- (a) 140 MPa (b) 80 MPa (c) 70 MPa (d) 60 MPa

- IAS-8. The state of stress at a point in a loaded member is shown in the figure. The magnitude of maximum shear stress is [1MPa = 10 kg/cm²] [IAS 1994]
 (a) 10 MPa (b) 30 MPa (c) 50 MPa (d) 100MPa



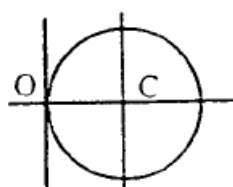
- IAS-9. A horizontal beam under bending has a maximum bending stress of 100 MPa and a maximum shear stress of 20 MPa. What is the maximum principal stress in the beam? [IAS-2004]
 (a) 20 (b) 50 (c) $50 + \sqrt{2900}$ (d) 100
- IAS-10. When the two principal stresses are equal and like: the resultant stress on any plane is: [IAS-2002]
 (a) Equal to the principal stress (b) Zero
 (c) One half the principal stress (d) One third of the principal stress
- IAS-11. Assertion (A): When an isotropic, linearly elastic material is loaded biaxially, the directions of principal stressed are different from those of principal strains. Reason (R): For an isotropic, linearly elastic material the Hooke's law gives only two independent material properties. [IAS-2001]
 (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true
- IAS-12. Principal stresses at a point in a stressed solid are 400 MPa and 300 MPa respectively. The normal stresses on planes inclined at 45° to the principal planes will be: [IAS-2000]
 (a) 200 MPa and 500 MPa (b) 350 MPa on both planes
 (c) 100MPa and 600MPa (d) 150 MPa and 550 MPa
- IAS-13. The principal stresses at a point in an elastic material are 60 N/mm² tensile, 20 N/mm² tensile and 50 N/mm² compressive. If the material properties are: $\mu = 0.35$ and $E = 10^5$ N/mm², then the volumetric strain of the material is: [IAS-1997]
 (a) 9×10^{-5} (b) 3×10^{-4} (c) 10.5×10^{-5} (d) 21×10^{-5}

Mohr's circle

- IAS-14. Match List-I (Mohr's Circles of stress) with List-II (Types of Loading) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [IAS-2004]

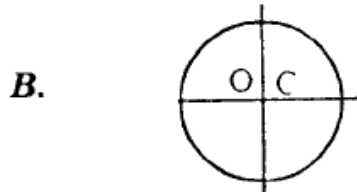
List-I
(Mohr's Circles of Stress)

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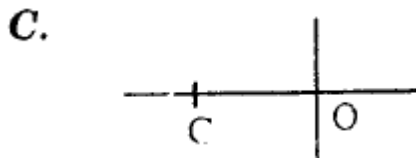


List-II
(Types of Loading)

1. A shaft compressed all round by a hub



2. Bending moment applied at the free end of a cantilever



3. Shaft under torsion

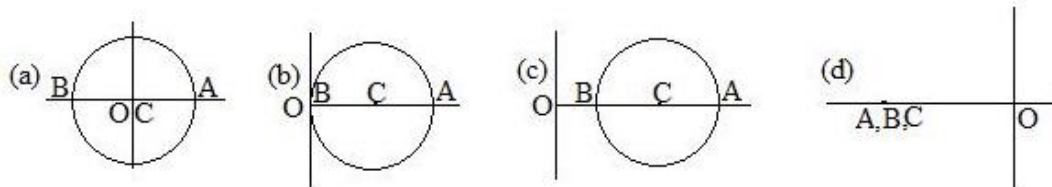


4. Thin cylinder under pressure
5. Thin spherical shell under internal pressure

Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	5	4	3	2	(b)	2	4	1	3
(c)	4	3	2	5	(d)	2	3	1	5

- IAS-15. The resultant stress on a certain plane makes an angle of 20° with the normal to the plane. On the plane perpendicular to the above plane, the resultant stress makes an angle of θ with the normal. The value of θ can be: [IAS-2001]
 (a) 0° or 20° (b) Any value other than 0° or 90°
 (c) Any value between 0° and 20° (d) 20° only

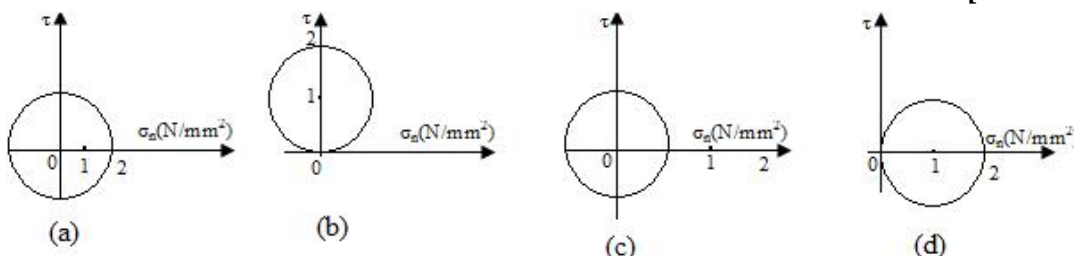
- IAS-16. The correct Mohr's stress-circle drawn for a point in a solid shaft compressed by a shrunk fit hub is as (O-Origin and C-Centre of circle; $OA = \sigma_1$ and $OB = \sigma_2$) [IAS-2001]



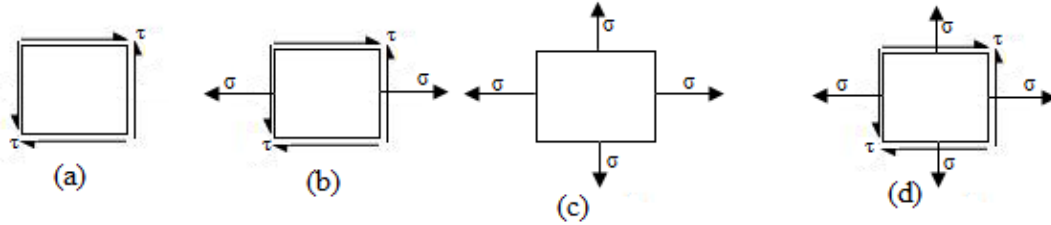
- IAS-17. A Mohr's stress circle is drawn for a body subjected to tensile stress f_x and f_y in two mutually perpendicular directions such that $f_x > f_y$. Which one of the following statements in this regard is NOT correct? [IAS-2000]

- (a) Normal stress on a plane at 45° to f_x is equal to $\frac{f_x + f_y}{2}$
 (b) Shear stress on a plane at 45° to f_x is equal to $\frac{f_x - f_y}{2}$
 (c) Maximum normal stress is equal to f_x .
 (d) Maximum shear stress is equal to $\frac{f_x + f_y}{2}$

- IAS-18. For the given stress condition $\sigma_x = 2 \text{ N/mm}^2$, $\sigma_y = 0$ and $\tau_{xy} = 0$, the correct Mohr's circle is: [IAS-1999]



IAS-19. For which one of the following two-dimensional states of stress will the Mohr's stress circle degenerate into a point? [IAS-1996]



Principal strains

IAS-20. In an axi-symmetric plane strain problem, let u be the radial displacement at r . Then the strain components $\varepsilon_r, \varepsilon_\theta, \gamma_{r\theta}$ are given by [IAS-1995]

(a) $\varepsilon_r = \frac{u}{r}, \varepsilon_\theta = \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}, \gamma_{r\theta} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r \partial \theta}$

(b) $\varepsilon_r = \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}, \varepsilon_\theta = \frac{u}{r}, \gamma_{r\theta} = 0$

(c) $\varepsilon_r = \frac{u}{r}, \varepsilon_\theta = \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}, \gamma_{r\theta} = 0$

(d) $\varepsilon_r = \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}, \varepsilon_\theta = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}, \gamma_{r\theta} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r \partial \theta}$

IAS-21. Assertion (A): Uniaxial stress normally gives rise to triaxial strain.
Reason (R): Magnitude of strains in the perpendicular directions of applied stress is smaller than that in the direction of applied stress. [IAS-2004]

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

IAS-22. Assertion (A): A plane state of stress will, in general, not result in a plane state of strain. [IAS-2002]
Reason (R): A thin plane lamina stretched in its own plane will result in a state of plane strain.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (a) It is the definition of shear stress. The force is applied tangentially it is not a point load so you cannot compare it with a cantilever with a point load at its free end.

GATE-2. Ans. (d) $\sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$

Here $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 0, \tau_{xy} = \tau, \theta = 45^\circ$

GATE-3. Ans. (d) It is well known that,

$\tau_{xy} = \tau_{yx}, \tau_{xz} = \tau_{zx}$ and $\tau_{yz} = \tau_{zy}$

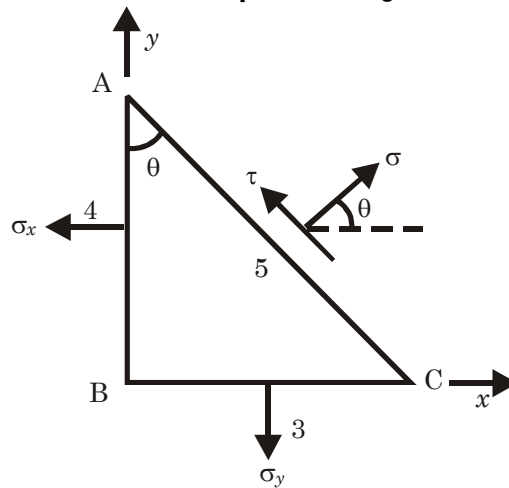
so that the state of stress at a point is given by six components $\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z$ and $\tau_{xy}, \tau_{yz}, \tau_{zx}$

GATE-4. Ans. 1 MPa (Range given is 0.9 to 1.1 MPa)

GATE-4a. Ans. (c)

Let $\angle CAB = \theta$

$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}; \cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}; \tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$



Thus from force equilibrium,

$$\sigma_x \times AB = AC \times (\sigma \cos \theta - \tau \sin \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_x = \frac{5}{4} \times \left(120 \times \frac{4}{5} - 70 \times \frac{3}{5} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_x = 67.5 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{And, } \sigma_y \times BC = AC \times (\sigma \sin \theta + \tau \cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_y = \frac{5}{3} \times \left(120 \times \frac{3}{5} + 70 \times \frac{4}{5} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_y = 213.3 \text{ MPa}$$

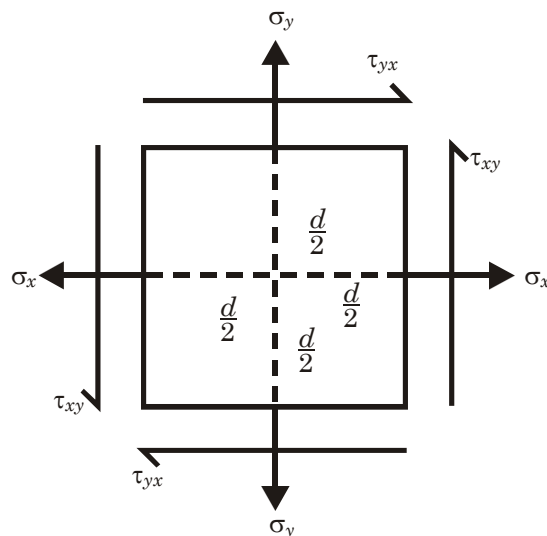
GATE-4b. Ans. (c)

Normal stress on inclined plane, $\sigma_n = \sigma_x \cos^2 \theta = 4 \times \cos^2 30^\circ = 3 \text{ MPa}$

Shear stress on inclined plane, $\tau = \frac{\sigma_x}{2} \sin 2\theta = \frac{4}{2} \times \sin(2 \times 30^\circ) = 1.73 \text{ MPa}$

Since both the stress exceeds the given limits, answer is option (c).

GATE-5. Ans. (c)



Taking moment equilibrium about the centre, we get

$$\tau_{yx} \times \frac{d}{2} + \tau_{yx} \times \frac{d}{2} = \tau_{xy} \times \frac{d}{2} + \tau_{xy} \times \frac{d}{2}$$

$$\therefore \tau_{xy} = \tau_{yx}$$

GATE-5a. Ans. (b) It is a case of Pure shear.

GATE-5b. Ans. 50 Range (49.9 to 50.1)

GATE-6. Ans. (a) On a principal plane, only normal stresses act. No shear stresses act on the principal plane.

GATE-7. Ans. (b)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Maximum shear stress} &= \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} \\ &= \frac{20 - (-10)}{2} = 15 \text{ MPa}\end{aligned}$$

GATE-7a. Ans. (b)

GATE-8. Ans. 5.0

GATE-8(i). Answer: (c)

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{80 - 20}{2}\right)^2 + 40^2} = 50 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-9. Ans. (b) Shear Stress (τ) = $\frac{16T}{\pi d^3} = \frac{16 \times 10000}{\pi \times (0.1)^3} \text{ Pa} = 50.93 \text{ MPa}$

$$\text{Maximum principal Stress} = \frac{\sigma_b}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_b}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2} = 82 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-10. Ans. (c)

Maximum principal stress

$$= \frac{\sigma_x}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2} = \frac{1.5}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{1.5}{2}\right)^2 + (1.20)^2} = 2.17 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

GATE-11. Ans. (d) $\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$ if $\tau_{xy} = 0$

$$= \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2} = \sigma_x$$

GATE-12. Ans. (b) $\sigma_x = \sigma$, $\sigma_y = \sigma$, $\tau_{xy} = \sigma$

$$\therefore (\sigma_1)_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \frac{\sigma + \sigma}{2} + \sqrt{(0)^2 + \sigma^2} = 2\sigma$$

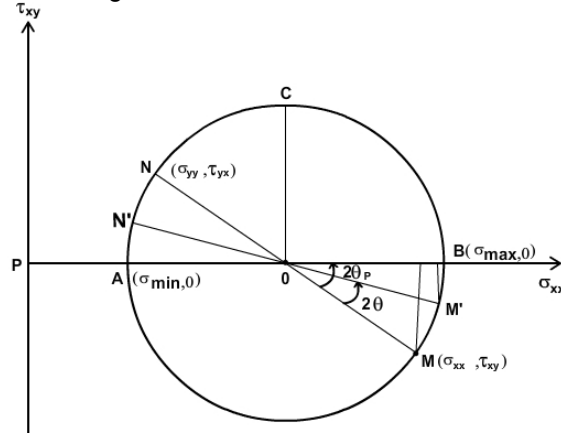
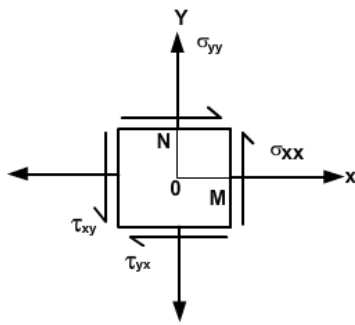
GATE-13. Ans. (c) $\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \frac{10 + 2}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{10 - 2}{2}\right)^2 + 4^2} = 11.66 \text{ MPa}$

GATE-14. Ans. 8.4 to 8.5, $\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \frac{-6 + 4}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{-6 - 4}{2}\right)^2 + (-8)^2} = 8.434 \text{ MPa}$

GATE-14a. Ans. (c) $\sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$

$$10 = \frac{100 + \sigma_y}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{100 - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + 50^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \sigma_y = 37.78 \text{ kPa}$$

GATE-15. Ans. (a)



GATE-16. Ans. (b)

GATE-17. Ans. (b)

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{40-100}{2}\right)^2 + (40)^2} = 50 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-18. Ans. (d)

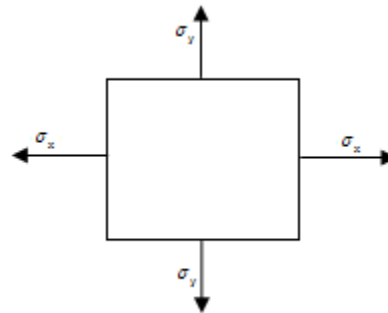
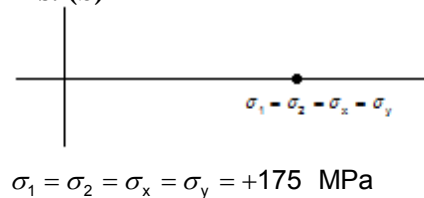
The maximum and minimum principal stresses are same. So, radius of circle becomes zero and centre is at (30, 0). The circle is represented by a point.

GATE-20. Ans. (c)

$$\sigma_x = 100 \text{ MPa}, \quad \sigma_y = -20 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Radius of Mohr's circle} = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} = \frac{100 - (-20)}{2} = 60$$

GATE-21. Ans. (b)



GATE-22. Ans. (d) From the Mohr's circle it will give all directions.

GATE-23. Ans. (c)

GATE-23a. Ans. (b)

GATE-23b. Ans. 1632

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V} = \frac{(1-2\mu)}{E} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z)$$

$$\Delta V = \frac{(1-2\mu)}{E} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) \times V = \frac{(1-2 \times 0.33)}{70 \times 10^3 \text{ MPa}} (70 \text{ MPa} + 0 + 0) \times (400 \times 400 \times 30) \text{ mm}^3$$

GATE-24. Ans. (c) Shear strain $e_{\max} - e_{\min} = \{1000 - (-600)\} \times 10^{-6} = 1600 \times 10^{-6}$

GATE-24a. Ans. (a)

GATE-24b. Ans. Range (5.013 to 5.015)

GATE-25. Ans. (b) When strain is measured along any three arbitrary directions, the strain diagram is called rosette.

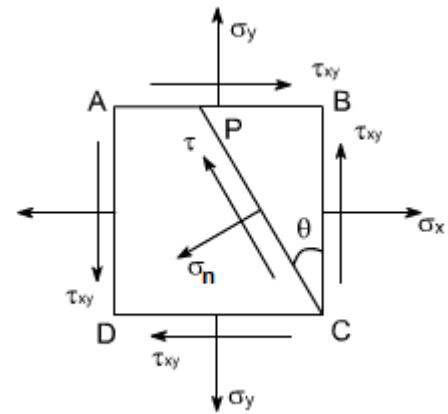
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IES-1. Ans. (a)

IES-1a. Ans. (c)

$$\text{Normal stress}(\sigma_n) = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

$$\text{Shear stress}(\tau) = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$$



$$\text{IES-2. Ans. (c)} \quad \sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

$$\text{At } \theta = 45^\circ \text{ and } \tau_{xy} = 0; \quad \sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}$$

$$\text{IES-2(i). Ans(c)} \quad \sigma_x = 40 \text{ MPa}, \sigma_y = 20 \text{ MPa}.$$

$$\sigma = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta = 30 + 10 \cos 60 = 35 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{IES-2a Ans. (a)} \quad \text{Shear stress}(\tau) = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$$

$$\text{Here } \sigma_x = \sigma, \sigma_y = \sigma \text{ and } \tau_{xy} = 0$$

IES-3. Ans. (b)

IES-3a. Ans. (a)

IES-4. Ans. (c)

IES-4(i). Ans. (b)

$$\text{IES-5. Ans. (a)} \quad \sigma_1 = \tau, \quad \sigma_2 = -\tau, \quad \sigma_3 = 0$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2E} [\tau^2 + (-\tau)^2 - 2\mu\tau(-\tau)] V = \frac{1+\mu}{E} \tau^2 V$$

IES-6. Ans. (b)

IES-7. Ans. (a) Both A and R are true and R is correct explanation for A.

$$\text{IES-8. Ans. (b)} \quad \sigma_1 = \tau, \quad \sigma_2 = -\tau, \quad \sigma_3 = 0$$

IES-9. Ans. (a)

$$\text{IES-10. Ans. (a)} \quad \sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

IES-10(i). Ans. (b)

IES-11. Ans. (d)

IES-11a Ans. (c)

IES-12. Ans. (c)

$$\text{IES-12(i). Ans. (c)} \quad \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{100 - 0}{2} = 50 \text{ units.}$$

$$\text{IES-13. Ans. (c)} \quad \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2}, \quad \sigma_1 = 2\sigma_2 \text{ or } \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_2}{2} \text{ or } \sigma_2 = 2\tau_{\max} \text{ or } \sigma_1 = 2\sigma_2 = 4\tau_{\max}$$

$$\text{IES-13a. Ans. (d)} \quad \sigma_1 = \frac{300}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{300}{2}\right)^2 + 200^2} = 400 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{IES-13b. Ans. (c)} \quad \sigma_{1,2} = \frac{400 + (-400)}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{400 - (-400)}{2}\right)^2 + 300^2} = \pm 500 \text{ MPa}$$

IES-13c. Ans. (c)

IES-13d. Ans. (c)

IES-13e. Ans. (c)

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x + 0}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - 0}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2}$$

$$10 = \frac{8 + 0}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{8 - 0}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2}$$

$$\tau = 4.47 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\text{IES-14. Ans. (c)} \quad \sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\text{if } \sigma_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\text{or } \left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2 \text{ or } \tau_{xy} = \sqrt{\sigma_x \times \sigma_y}$$

$$\text{IES-15. Ans. (d)} \quad \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{80 - (-40)}{2} = 60 \text{ MPa}$$

IES-15(i). Ans. (c)

$$\text{IES-16. Ans. (b)} \quad \tan 2\theta = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y} \Rightarrow \theta = 0$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{3\sigma - \sigma}{2} = \sigma$$

$$\text{Major principal stress on the plane of maximum shear} = \sigma_1 = \frac{3\sigma + \sigma}{2} = 2\sigma$$

IES-16(i). Ans. (d) Shear stress is maximum at 45° plane.

$$\sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta$$

$$\sigma_n = \frac{100 + (-50)}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2 \times 45^\circ = 25 \text{ MPa}$$

IES-17. Ans. (b) When stresses are alike, then normal stress σ_n on plane inclined at angle 45° is

$$\sigma_n = \sigma_y \cos^2 \theta + \sigma_x \sin^2 \theta = \sigma_y \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \sigma_x \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 = 500 \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right] = 500 \text{ kg/cm}^2$$

$$\text{IES-19. Ans. (d)} \quad \sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{50 + (-10)}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{50 + 10}{2}\right)^2 + 40^2}$$

$$\sigma_{\max} = 70 \text{ and } \sigma_{\min} = -30$$

$$\text{IES-20. Ans. (d)} \quad \sigma_x = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta$$

$$\sigma_n = \frac{P - P}{2} + \frac{P + P}{2} \cos 2 \times 45 = 0$$

$$\text{IES-21. Ans. (c)} \quad (\sigma)_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x + 0}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x + 0}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = 50 \mp 50\sqrt{5}$$

$$\text{Maximum shear stress} = \frac{(\sigma)_1 - (\sigma)_2}{2} = 50\sqrt{5}$$

IES-21(i).Ans. (c)

$$\sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta$$

$$200 = \frac{250 + (-150)}{2} + \frac{250 - (-150)}{2} \cos 2\theta$$

$$\text{or } \theta = 20.7^\circ$$

$$\tau = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta = \frac{250 - (-150)}{2} \sin(2 \times 20.7^\circ) = 132.28 = 50\sqrt{7}$$

Without Using Calculator

$$\cos 2\theta = \frac{150}{200} = \frac{3}{4} \text{ therefore } \sin 2\theta = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}$$

$$\tau = \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta = \frac{250 - (-150)}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} = 50\sqrt{7}$$

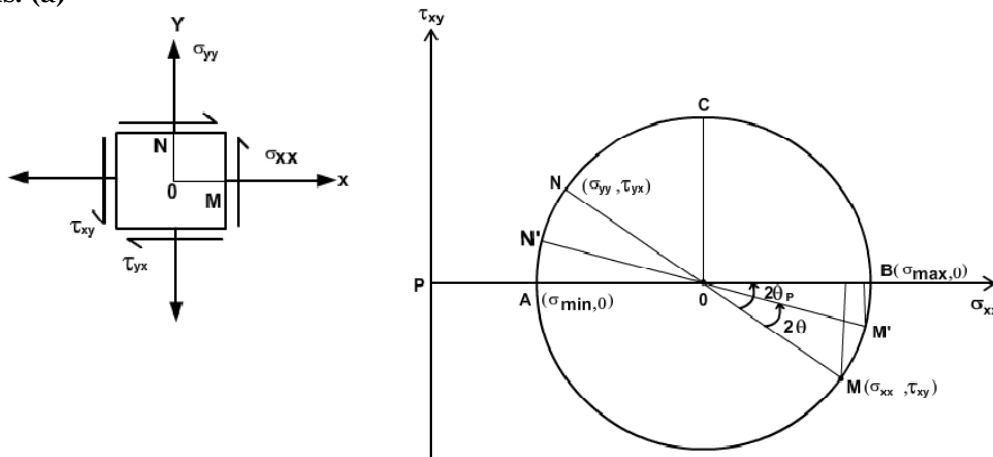
$$\text{And } \sigma_n + \sigma'_n = \sigma_x + \sigma_y$$

IES-22. Ans. (c)

IES-23. Ans. (b) It is a case of pure shear. Just put $\sigma_1 = -\sigma_2$

IES-24. Ans. (c)

IES-25. Ans. (a)



IES-25(i). Ans. (b)

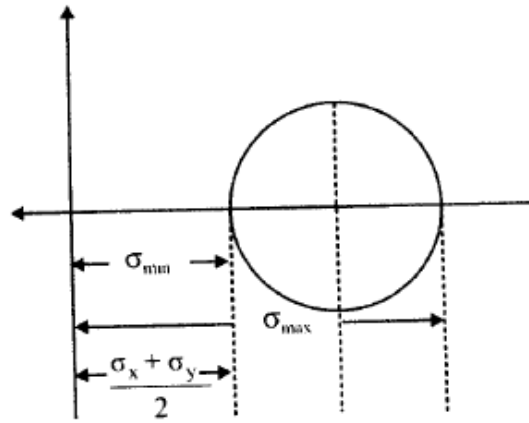
$$\sigma_{xx} = 60 \text{ MPa}, \sigma_{yy} = 120 \text{ MPa} \text{ and } \tau_{xy} = 40 \text{ MPa}.$$

$$\text{radius} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_{xx} - \sigma_{yy}}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{60 - 120}{2}\right)^2 + 40^2} = 50$$

IES-25(ii). Ans. (b)

IES-25(iii). Ans. (c)

IES-26. Ans. (a)



$$\left(\sigma_{x'} - \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{x'y'}^2 = \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \right)^2$$

∴ Radius of the Mohr Circle

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\therefore \sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = r \quad \Rightarrow \tau_{\max} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

IES-27. Ans. (c) Radius of the Mohr circle

$$= \left[\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \right] / 10 = \left[\sqrt{\left(\frac{100 - 40}{2} \right)^2 + 40^2} \right] / 10 = 50 / 10 = 5 \text{ cm}$$

IES-28. Ans. (d) Centre of Mohr's circle is $\left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}, 0 \right) = \left(\frac{200 - 100}{2}, 0 \right) = (50, 0)$

IES-29. Ans. (d)

IES-30. Ans. (c)

IES-30(i). Ans. (b) The construction is for variations of stress in a body in different planes.

IES-31. Ans. (b)

IES-32. Ans. (c)

IES-33. Ans. (d)

IES-33a. Ans. (a) It's very simple. in plastic deformation there is no change in volume. Therefore volumetric strain will be zero. $\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 = 0$

Or you may use poisson's ratio = 0.5 and calculate principal strains.

IES-33b. Ans. (c)

IES-34. Ans. (a)

IES-34a. Ans. (d)

IES-34b. Ans. (d)

IES-34c. Ans. (a)

IES-35. Ans. (a) $\gamma_{\max} = \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2 = 100 - (-200) \times 10^{-6} = 300 \times 10^{-6}$

don't confuse with Maximum Shear stress ($\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2}$)

in strain $\frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} = \frac{\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2}{2}$ and $\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2}$ that is the difference.

IES-36. Ans. (d)

$$\frac{\epsilon_x - \epsilon_y}{2} = \frac{\phi_{xy}}{2} \Rightarrow \phi_{xy} = \epsilon_x - \epsilon_y = 1000 \times 10^{-6} - (-600 \times 10^{-6}) = 1600 \times 10^{-6}$$

IES-37. Ans. (c) Three strain gauges are needed on a plane surface to determine the principal strains and their directions.

IES-38. Ans. (b) $\epsilon_1 = \frac{\sigma_1}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_2}{E}$ and $\epsilon_2 = \frac{\sigma_2}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_1}{E}$ From these two equation eliminate σ_2 .

IES-38(i). Ans. (b)

IES-38(ii). Ans. (a)

IES-39. Ans. (a)

IES-40. Ans. (a)

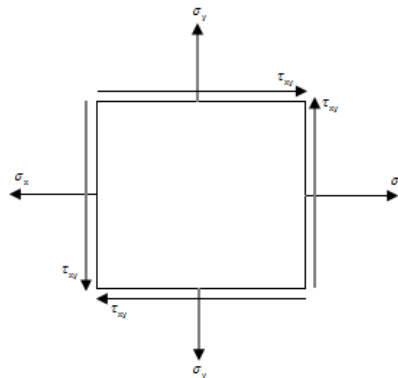
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IAS-1. Ans. (b) We know $\sigma_n = \sigma \cos^2 \theta$ and $\tau = \sigma \sin \theta \cos \theta$

$$100 = \sigma \cos^2 45 \text{ or } \sigma = 200$$

$$\tau = 200 \sin 45 \cos 45 = 100$$

IAS-2. Ans. (c)



IAS-3. Ans. (b) It is a case of pure shear so principal planes will be along the diagonal.

IAS-4. Ans. (d) Stress in x direction $= \sigma_x$

$$\text{Therefore } \epsilon_x = \frac{\sigma_x}{E}, \quad \epsilon_y = -\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}, \quad \epsilon_z = -\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$$

IAS-5. Ans. (c)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{xx} & \epsilon_{xy} & \epsilon_{xz} \\ \epsilon_{yx} & \epsilon_{yy} & \epsilon_{yz} \\ \epsilon_{zx} & \epsilon_{zy} & \epsilon_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon_{xy} = \frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2}$$

$$\tau_{xy} = G \gamma_{xy} = 100 \times 10^3 \times (0.004 \times 2) \text{ MPa} = 800 \text{ MPa}$$

IAS-6. Ans. (d) $\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{\sigma_1 - (-\sigma_1)}{2} = \sigma_1$

IAS-7. Ans. (a) $\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2}$ Maximum normal stress will developed if $\sigma_1 = -\sigma_2 = \sigma$

$$\text{IAS-8. Ans. (c) } \tau_{\max} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{-40 - 40}{2}\right)^2 + 30^2} = 50 \text{ MPa}$$

IAS-9. Ans. (c) $\sigma_b = 100 \text{ MPa}$, $\tau = 20 \text{ MPa}$

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_b}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_b}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2}$$

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_b}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_b}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2} = \frac{100}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{100}{2}\right)^2 + 20^2} = (50 \pm \sqrt{2900}) \text{ MPa}$$

IAS-10. Ans. (a) $\sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta$

[We may consider this as $\tau_{xy} = 0$] $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = \sigma$ (say) So $\sigma_n = \sigma$ for any plane

IAS-11. Ans. (d) They are same.

IAS-12. Ans. (b)

$$\sigma_n = \left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right) \cos 2\theta = \frac{400 + 300}{2} + \frac{400 - 300}{2} \cos 2 \times 45^\circ = 350 \text{ MPa}$$

IAS-13. Ans. (a)

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{\sigma_x}{E} - \mu \left(\frac{\sigma_y}{E} + \frac{\sigma_z}{E} \right), \quad \epsilon_y = \frac{\sigma_y}{E} - \mu \left(\frac{\sigma_z}{E} + \frac{\sigma_x}{E} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon_z = \frac{\sigma_z}{E} - \mu \left(\frac{\sigma_x}{E} + \frac{\sigma_y}{E} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_v = \epsilon_x + \epsilon_y + \epsilon_z &= \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z}{E} - \frac{2\mu}{E} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) \\ &= (1 - 2\mu) \left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z}{E} \right) = \left(\frac{60 + 20 - 50}{10^5} \right) (1 - 2 \times 0.35) = 9 \times 10^{-5} \end{aligned}$$

IAS-14. Ans. (d)

IAS-15. Ans. (b)

IAS-16. Ans. (d)

IAS-17. Ans. (d) Maximum shear stress is $\frac{f_x - f_y}{2}$

IAS-18. Ans. (d) Centre $\left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}, 0 \right) = \left(\frac{2 + 0}{2}, 0 \right) = (1, 0)$

$$\text{radius} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_x^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2 - 0}{2}\right)^2 + 0} = 1$$

IAS-19. Ans. (c) Mohr's circle will be a point.

$$\text{Radius of the Mohr's circle} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \quad \therefore \tau_{xy} = 0 \text{ and } \sigma_x = \sigma_y = \sigma$$

IAS-20. Ans. (b)

IAS-21. Ans. (b)

IAS-22. Ans. (c) R is false. Stress in one plane always induce a lateral strain with its orthogonal plane.

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES-1999

Question: What are principal in planes?

Answer: The planes which pass through the point in such a manner that the resultant stress across them is totally a normal stress are known as principal planes. No shear stress exists at the principal planes.

Conventional Question IES-2009

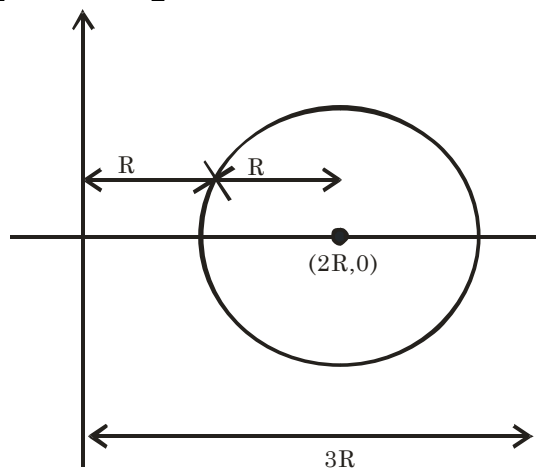
Q. The Mohr's circle for a plane stress is a circle of radius R with its origin at $+2R$ on σ axis. Sketch the Mohr's circle and determine σ_{\max} , σ_{\min} , σ_{av} , $(\tau_{xy})_{\max}$ for this situation. [2 Marks]

Ans. Here $\sigma_{\max} = 3R$

$$\sigma_{\min} = R$$

$$\sigma_{\sigma v} = \frac{3R + R}{2} = 2R$$

$$\text{and } \tau_{xy} = \frac{\sigma_{\max} - \sigma_{\min}}{2} = \frac{3R - R}{2} = R$$



Conventional Question IES-1999

Question: Direct tensile stresses of 120 MPa and 70 MPa act on a body on mutually perpendicular planes. What is the magnitude of shearing stress that can be applied so that the major principal stress at the point does not exceed 135 MPa? Determine the value of minor principal stress and the maximum shear stress.

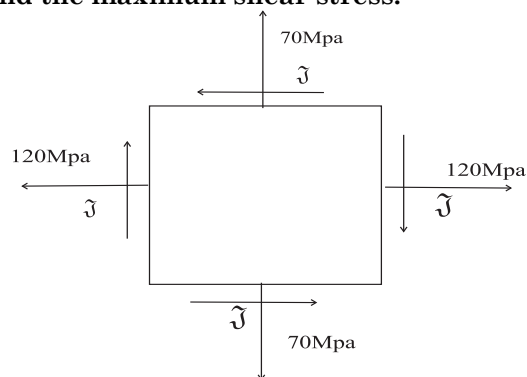
Answer: Let shearing stress is ' τ ' MPa.

The principal stresses are

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{120 + 70}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{120 - 70}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2}$$

Major principal stress is

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_1 &= \frac{120 + 70}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{120 - 70}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2} \\ &= 135 \text{ (Given) or } \tau = 31.2 \text{ MPa.} \end{aligned}$$



Minor principal stress is

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{120+70}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{120-70}{2}\right)^2 + 31.2^2} = 55 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{135 - 55}{2} = 40 \text{ MPa}$$

Conventional Question IES-2009

Q. The state of stress at a point in a loaded machine member is given by the principle stresses. [2 Marks]

$\sigma_1 = 600 \text{ MPa}$, $\sigma_2 = 0$ and $\sigma_3 = -600 \text{ MPa}$.

- What is the magnitude of the maximum shear stress?
- What is the inclination of the plane on which the maximum shear stress acts with respect to the plane on which the maximum principle stress σ_1 acts?

Ans.

- (i) Maximum shear stress,

$$\tau = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2} = \frac{600 - (-600)}{2} = 600 \text{ MPa}$$

- (ii) At $\theta = 45^\circ$ max. shear stress occurs with σ_1 plane. Since σ_1 and σ_3 are principle stress does not contains shear stress. Hence max. shear stress is at 45° with principle plane.

Conventional Question IES-2008

Question: A prismatic bar in compression has a cross-sectional area $A = 900 \text{ mm}^2$ and carries an axial load $P = 90 \text{ kN}$. What are the stresses acts on

- A plane transverse to the loading axis;
- A plane at $\theta = 60^\circ$ to the loading axis?

Answer:

- (i) From figure it is clear A plane transverse to loading axis, $\theta = 0^\circ$

$$\therefore \sigma_n = \frac{P}{A} \cos^2 \theta = -\frac{90000}{900} \text{ N/mm}^2 = -100 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

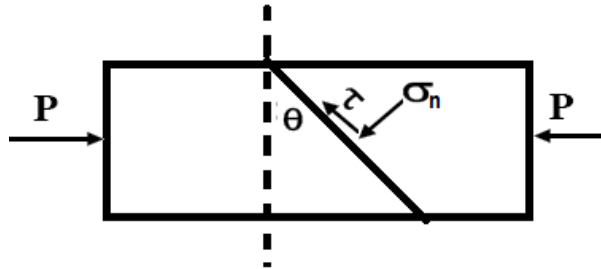
$$\text{and } \tau = \frac{P}{2A} \sin 2\theta = \frac{90000}{2 \times 900} \times \sin \theta = 0$$

- (iii) A plane at 60° to loading axis,

$$\theta = 90^\circ - 60^\circ = 30^\circ$$

$$\sigma_n = \frac{P}{A} \cos^2 \theta = -\frac{90000}{900} \times \cos^2 30^\circ = -75 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

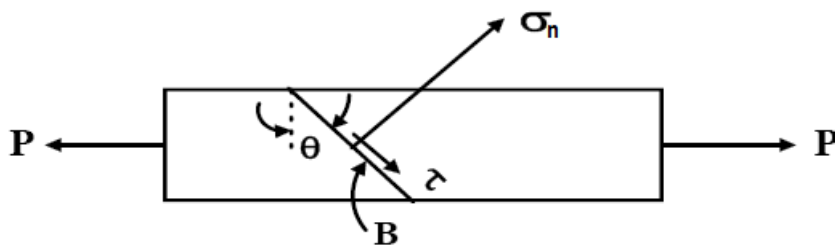
$$\tau = \frac{P}{2A} \sin 2\theta = -\frac{90000}{2 \times 900} \sin 2 \times 60^\circ = -43.3 \text{ N/mm}^2$$



Conventional Question IES-2001

Question: A tension member with a cross-sectional area of 30 mm^2 resists a load of 80 kN . Calculate the normal and shear stresses on the plane of maximum shear stress.

Answer: $\sigma_n = \frac{P}{A} \cos^2 \theta$ $\tau = \frac{P}{2A} \sin 2\theta$



For maximum shear stress $\sin 2\theta = 1$, or, $\theta = 45^\circ$

$$(\sigma_n) = \frac{80 \times 10^3}{30} \times \cos^2 45 = 1333 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau_{\max} = \frac{P}{2A} = \frac{80 \times 10^3}{30 \times 2} = 1333 \text{ MPa}$$

Conventional Question IES-2007

Question: At a point in a loaded structure, a pure shear stress state $\tau = \pm 400 \text{ MPa}$ prevails on two given planes at right angles.

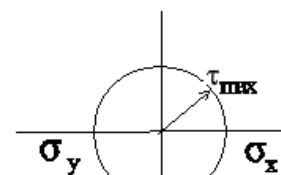
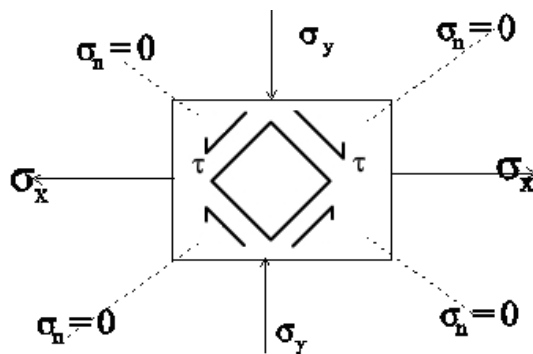
(i) What would be the state of stress across the planes of an element taken at $+45^\circ$ to the given planes?

(ii) What are the magnitudes of these stresses?

Answer:

(i) For pure shear

$$\sigma_x = -\sigma_y; \quad \tau_{\max} = \pm \sigma_x = \pm 400 \text{ MPa}$$



Mohr's Circle in pure shear

(ii) Magnitude of these stresses

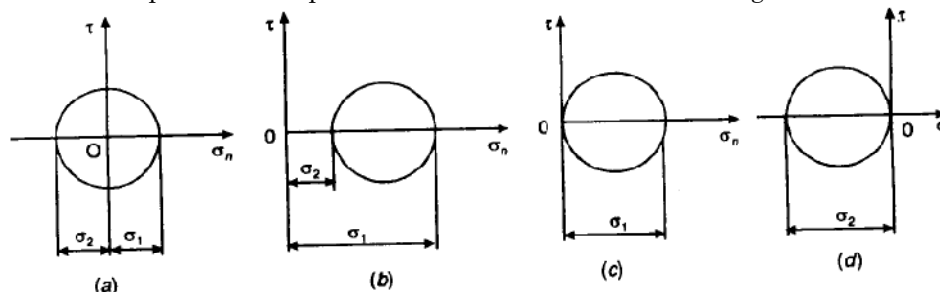
$$\sigma_n = \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta = \tau_{xy} \sin 90^\circ = \tau_{xy} = 400 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = (-\tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta) = 0$$

Conventional Question IAS-1997

Question: Draw Mohr's circle for a 2-dimensional stress field subjected to

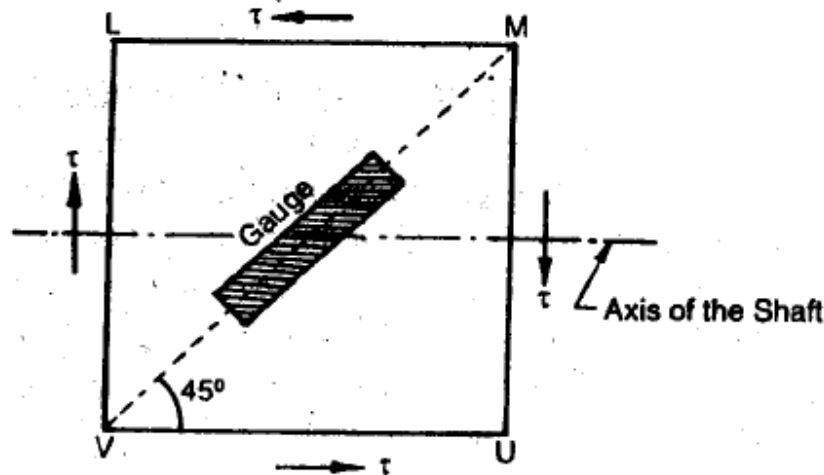
(a) Pure shear (b) Pure biaxial tension (c) Pure uniaxial tension and (d) Pure uniaxial compression

Answer: Mohr's circles for 2-dimensional stress field subjected to pure shear, pure biaxial tension, pure uniaxial compression and pure uniaxial tension are shown in figure below:



Conventional Question IES-2003

Question: A Solid phosphor bronze shaft 60 mm in diameter is rotating at 800 rpm and transmitting power. It is subjected torsion only. An electrical resistance strain gauge mounted on the surface of the shaft with its axis at 45° to the shaft axis, gives the strain reading as 3.98×10^{-4} . If the modulus of elasticity for bronze is 105 GN/m^2 and Poisson's ratio is 0.3, find the power being transmitted by the shaft. Bending effect may be neglected.



Let us assume maximum shear stress on the cross-sectional plane MU is τ . Then

$$\text{Principal stress along, VM} = -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4\tau^2} = -\tau \text{ (compressive)}$$

$$\text{Principal stress along, LU} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4\tau^2} = \tau \text{ (tensile)}$$

Thus magnitude of the compressive strain along VM is

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\tau}{E}(1 + \mu) = 3.98 \times 10^{-4} \\ \text{or } \tau &= \frac{3.98 \times 10^{-4} \times (105 \times 10^9)}{(1 + 0.3)} = 32.15 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Torque being transmitted (T)} = \tau \times \frac{\pi}{16} \times d^3$$

$$= (32.15 \times 10^6) \times \frac{\pi}{16} \times 0.06^3 = 1363.5 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\therefore \text{Power being transmitted, } P = T \cdot \omega = T \cdot \left(\frac{2\pi N}{60} \right) = 1363.5 \times \left(\frac{2\pi \times 800}{60} \right) \text{ W} = 114.23 \text{ kW}$$

Conventional Question IES-2002

Question: The magnitude of normal stress on two mutually perpendicular planes, at a point in an elastic body are 60 MPa (compressive) and 80 MPa (tensile) respectively. Find the magnitudes of shearing stresses on these planes if the magnitude of one of the principal stresses is 100 MPa (tensile). Find also the magnitude of the other principal stress at this point.

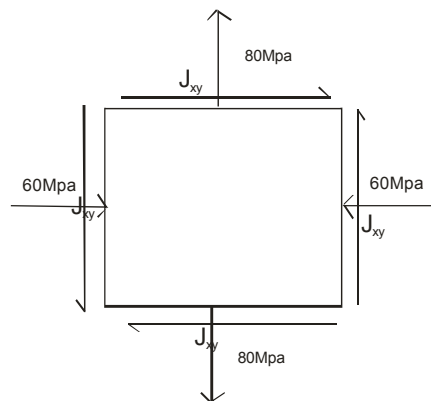
Answer: Above figure shows stress condition assuming shear stress is ' τ_{xy} '

Principal stresses

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\text{or, } \sigma_{1,2} = \frac{-60 + 80}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{-60 - 80}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\text{or, } \sigma_{1,2} = \frac{-60 + 80}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{-60 - 80}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$



To make principal stress 100 MPa we have to consider '+'. .

$$\therefore \sigma_1 = 100 \text{ MPa} = 10 + \sqrt{70^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}; \text{ or, } \tau_{xy} = 56.57 \text{ MPa}$$

Therefore other principal stress will be

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{-60 + 80}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{-60 - 80}{2}\right)^2 + (56.57)^2}$$

i.e. 80 MPa (compressive)

Conventional Question IES-2001

Question: A steel tube of inner diameter 100 mm and wall thickness 5 mm is subjected to a torsional moment of 1000 Nm. Calculate the principal stresses and orientations of the principal planes on the outer surface of the tube.

Answer: Polar moment of Inertia (J) = $\frac{\pi}{32} [(0.110)^4 - (0.100)^4] = 4.56 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^4$

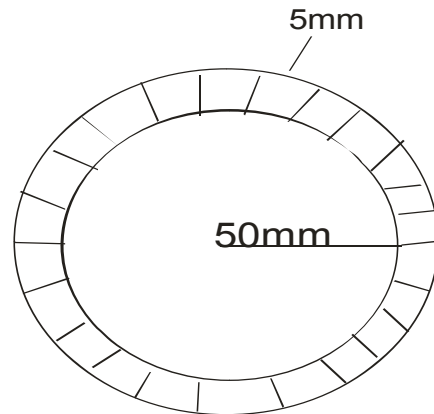
$$\text{Now } \frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R} \text{ or } J = \frac{T.R}{\tau} = \frac{1000 \times (0.055)}{4.56 \times 10^{-6}} = 12.07 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Now, } \tan 2\theta_p = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y} = \infty,$$

$$\text{gives } \theta_p = 45^\circ \text{ or } 135^\circ$$

$$\therefore \sigma_1 = \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta = 12.07 \times \sin 90^\circ = 12.07 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{and } \sigma_2 = 12.07 \sin 270^\circ = -12.07 \text{ MPa}$$



Conventional Question IES-2000

Question: At a point in a two dimensional stress system the normal stresses on two mutually perpendicular planes are σ_x and σ_y and the shear stress is τ_{xy} . At what value of shear stress, one of the principal stresses will become zero?

Answer: Two principal stresses are

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

Considering (-)ive sign it may be zero

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \quad \text{or, } \left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2$$

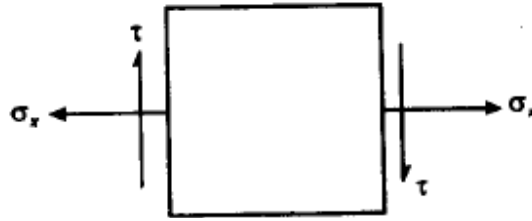
$$\text{or, } \tau_{xy}^2 = \left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 \quad \text{or, } \tau_{xy}^2 = \sigma_x \sigma_y \quad \text{or, } \tau_{xy} = \pm \sqrt{\sigma_x \sigma_y}$$

Conventional Question IES-1996

Question: A solid shaft of diameter 30 mm is fixed at one end. It is subject to a tensile force of 10 kN and a torque of 60 Nm. At a point on the surface of the shaft, determine the principle stresses and the maximum shear stress.

Answer:Given: $D = 30 \text{ mm} = 0.03 \text{ m}$; $P = 10 \text{ kN}$; $T = 60 \text{ Nm}$ Principal stresses (σ_1, σ_2) and maximum shear stress (τ_{\max}):

$$\text{Tensile stress } \sigma_t = \sigma_x = \frac{10 \times 10^3}{\frac{\pi}{4} \times 0.03^2} = 14.15 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2 \text{ or } 14.15 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

As per torsion equation, $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R}$

$$\therefore \text{Shear stress, } \tau = \frac{TR}{J} = \frac{TR}{\frac{\pi}{32} D^4} = \frac{60 \times 0.015}{\frac{\pi}{32} \times (0.03)^4} = 11.32 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$$

or 11.32 MN/m^2

The principal stresses are calculated by using the relations:

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \right) \pm \sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2 \right]}$$

Here $\sigma_x = 14.15 \text{ MN/m}^2, \sigma_y = 0; \tau_{xy} = \tau = 11.32 \text{ MN/m}^2$

$$\therefore \sigma_{1,2} = \frac{14.15}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{14.15}{2} \right)^2 + (11.32)^2}$$

$$= 7.07 \pm 13.35 = 20.425 \text{ MN/m}^2, -6.275 \text{ MN/m}^2.$$

Hence, major principal stress, $\sigma_1 = 20.425 \text{ MN/m}^2$ (tensile)Minor principal stress, $\sigma_2 = 6.275 \text{ MN/m}^2$ (compressive)

$$\text{Maximum shear stress, } \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{24.425 - (-6.275)}{2} = 13.35 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

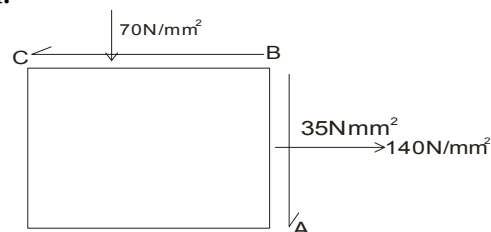
Conventional Question IES-2000

Question: Two planes AB and BC which are at right angles are acted upon by tensile stress of 140 N/mm^2 and a compressive stress of 70 N/mm^2 respectively and also by shear stress 35 N/mm^2 . Determine the principal stresses and principal planes. Find also the maximum shear stress and planes on which they act.

Sketch the Mohr circle and mark the relevant data.

Answer:

Given

 $\sigma_x = 140 \text{ MPa}$ (tensile) $\sigma_y = -70 \text{ MPa}$ (compressive) $\tau_{xy} = 35 \text{ MPa}$ Principal stresses; σ_1, σ_2 :

$$\text{We know that, } \sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$= \frac{140 - 70}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{140 + 70}{2} \right)^2 + 35^2} = 35 \pm 110.7$$

Therefore $\sigma_1 = 145.7 \text{ MPa}$ and $\sigma_2 = -75.7 \text{ MPa}$

Position of Principal planes θ_1, θ_2

$$\tan 2\theta_p = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y} = \frac{2 \times 35}{140 + 70} = 0.3333$$

$$\text{Maximum shear stress, } \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{145 + 75.7}{2} = 110.7 \text{ MPa}$$

Mohr circle:

$$OL = \sigma_x = 140 \text{ MPa}$$

$$OM = \sigma_y = -70 \text{ MPa}$$

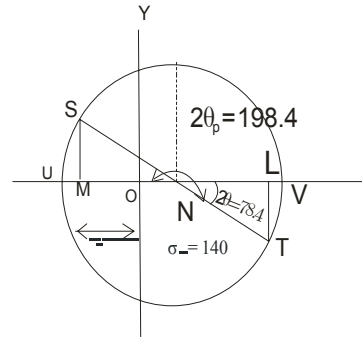
$$SM = LT = \tau_{xy} = 35 \text{ MPa}$$

Joining ST that cuts at 'N'

$$SN = NT = \text{radius of Mohr circle} = 110.7 \text{ MPa}$$

$$OV = \sigma_1 = 145.7 \text{ MPa}$$

$$OV = \sigma_2 = -75.7 \text{ MPa}$$



Conventional Question IES-2010

Q6. The data obtained from a rectangular strain gauge rosette attached to a stressed steel member are $\varepsilon_0 = -220 \times 10^{-6}$, $\varepsilon_{45} = 120 \times 10^{-6}$ and $\varepsilon_{90} = 220 \times 10^{-6}$. Given that the value of $E = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ and Poisson's Ratio $\mu = 0.3$, calculate the values of principal stresses acting at the point and their directions. [10 Marks]

Ans. Use rectangular strain gauge rosette

Conventional Question IES-1998

Question: When using strain-gauge system for stress/force/displacement measurements how are in-built magnification and temperature compensation achieved?

Answer: In-built magnification and temperature compensation are achieved by
 (a) Through use of adjacent arm balancing of Wheat-stone bridge.
 (b) By means of self temperature compensation by selected melt-gauge and dual element-gauge.

Conventional Question AMIE-1998

Question: A cylinder (500 mm internal diameter and 20 mm wall thickness) with closed ends is subjected simultaneously to an internal pressure of 0.60 MPa, bending moment 64000 Nm and torque 16000 Nm. Determine the maximum tensile stress and shearing stress in the wall.

Answer: Given: $d = 500 \text{ mm} = 0.5 \text{ m}$; $t = 20 \text{ mm} = 0.02 \text{ m}$; $p = 0.60 \text{ MPa} = 0.6 \text{ MN/m}^2$;
 $M = 64000 \text{ Nm} = 0.064 \text{ MNm}$; $T = 16000 \text{ Nm} = 0.016 \text{ MNm}$.

Maximum tensile stress:

First let us determine the principle stresses σ_1 and σ_2 assuming this as a thin cylinder.

$$\text{We know, } \sigma_1 = \frac{pd}{2t} = \frac{0.6 \times 0.5}{2 \times 0.02} = 7.5 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

$$\text{and } \sigma_2 = \frac{pd}{4t} = \frac{0.6 \times 0.5}{4 \times 0.02} = 3.75 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

Next consider effect of combined bending moment and torque on the walls of the cylinder. Then the principal stresses σ'_1 and σ'_2 are given by

$$\sigma'_1 = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \left[M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} \right]$$

$$\text{and } \sigma'_2 = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \left[M - \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} \right]$$

$$\therefore \sigma'_1 = \frac{16}{\pi \times (0.5)^3} \left[0.064 + \sqrt{0.064^2 + 0.016^2} \right] = 5.29 \text{ MN / m}^2$$

$$\text{and } \sigma'_2 = \frac{16}{\pi \times (0.5)^3} \left[0.064 - \sqrt{0.064^2 + 0.016^2} \right] = -0.08 \text{ MN / m}^2$$

Maximum shearing stress, τ_{\max} :

$$\text{We Know, } \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_I - \sigma_{II}}{2}$$

$$\sigma_{II} = \sigma_2 + \sigma'_2 = 3.75 - 0.08 = 3.67 \text{ MN / m}^2 \text{ (tensile)}$$

$$\therefore \tau_{\max} = \frac{12.79 - 3.67}{2} = 4.56 \text{ MN / m}^2$$



Moment of Inertia and Centroid

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

3.1 Centre of gravity

The centre of gravity of a body defined as the point through which the whole weight of a body may be assumed to act.

3.2 Centroid or Centre of area

The centroid or centre of area is defined as the point where the whole area of the figure is assumed to be concentrated.

3.3 Moment of Inertia (MOI)

- About any point the product of the force and the perpendicular distance between them is known as moment of a force or first moment of force.
- This first moment is again multiplied by the perpendicular distance between them to obtain second moment of force.
- In the same way if we consider the area of the figure it is called second moment of area or area moment of inertia and if we consider the mass of a body it is called second moment of mass or mass moment of Inertia.
- **Mass moment of inertia** is the measure of resistance of the body to rotation and **forms the basis of dynamics of rigid bodies.**
- **Area moment of Inertia** is the measure of resistance to bending and **forms the basis of strength of materials.**

3.4 Mass moment of Inertia (MOI)

$$I = \sum_i m_i r_i^2$$

- Notice that the moment of inertia 'I' depends on the distribution of mass in the system.
- The furthest the mass is from the rotation axis, the bigger the moment of inertia.
- For a given object, the moment of inertia depends on where we choose the rotation axis.
- In rotational dynamics, the moment of inertia 'I' appears in the same way that mass m does in linear dynamics.

Chapter-3

Moment of Inertia and Centroid

- **Solid disc or cylinder of mass M and radius R** , about perpendicular axis through its centre,

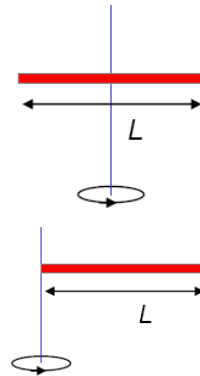
$$I = \frac{1}{2}MR^2$$

- Solid sphere of mass M and radius R , about an axis through its centre, $I = \frac{2}{5}MR^2$
- Thin **rod of mass M and length L** , about a perpendicular axis through its centre.

$$I = \frac{1}{12}ML^2$$

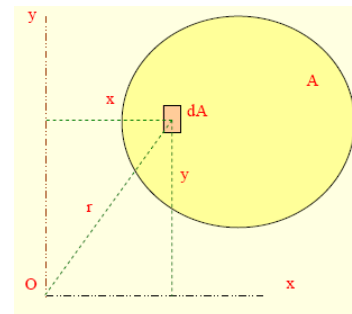
- Thin rod of mass M and length L , about a perpendicular axis through its end.

$$I = \frac{1}{3}ML^2$$



3.5 Area Moment of Inertia (MOI) or Second moment of area

- To find the centroid of an area by the first moment of the area about an axis was determined ($\int x \, dA$)
- Integral of the **second moment of area** is called moment of inertia ($\int x^2 dA$)
- Consider the area (A)
- By definition, the moment of inertia of the differential area about the x and y axes are dI_{xx} and dI_{yy}

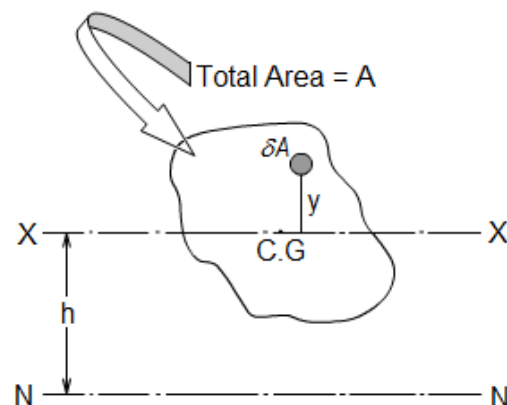


- $dI_{xx} = y^2 dA$ $I_{xx} = \int y^2 dA$
- $dI_{yy} = x^2 dA$ $I_{yy} = \int x^2 dA$

3.6 Parallel axis theorem for an area

The rotational inertia about any axis is the sum of second moment of inertia about a parallel axis through the C.G and total area of the body times square of the distance between the axes.

$$I_{NN} = I_{CG} + Ah^2$$

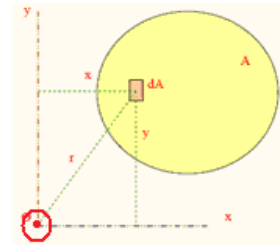


3.7 Perpendicular axis theorem for an area

If x , y & z are mutually perpendicular axes as shown, then

$$I_{zz}(J) = I_{xx} + I_{yy}$$

Z -axis is perpendicular to the plane of $x - y$ and vertical to this page as shown in figure.



- To find the moment of inertia of the differential area about the pole (point of origin) or z -axis, (r) is used. (r) is the perpendicular distance from the pole to dA for the entire area

$$J = \int r^2 dA = \int (x^2 + y^2) dA = I_{xx} + I_{yy} \text{ (since } r^2 = x^2 + y^2 \text{)}$$

Where, J = polar moment of inertia

3.8 Moments of Inertia (area) of some common area

(i) MOI of Rectangular area

Moment of inertia about axis XX which passes through centroid.

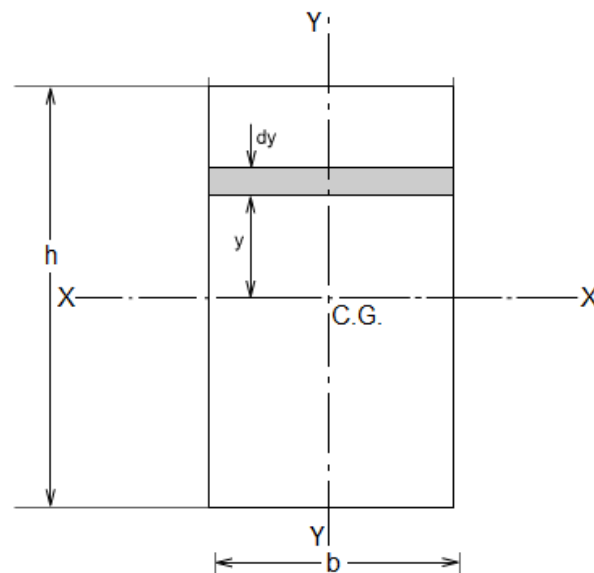
Take an element of width ' dy ' at a distance y from XX axis.

\therefore Area of the element (dA) = $b \times dy$.

and Moment of Inertia of the element about XX axis = $dA \times y^2 = b \cdot y^2 \cdot dy$

\therefore **Total MOI about XX axis** (Note it is area moment of Inertia)

$$I_{xx} = \int_{-h/2}^{+h/2} b y^2 dy = 2 \int_0^{h/2} b y^2 dy = \frac{b h^3}{12}$$



$$I_{xx} = \frac{b h^3}{12}$$

Similarly, we may find, $I_{yy} = \frac{h b^3}{12}$

\therefore Polar moment of inertia (J) = $I_{xx} + I_{yy} = \frac{b h^3}{12} + \frac{h b^3}{12}$

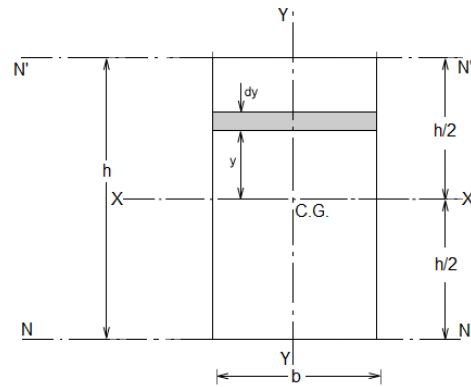
Chapter-3 Moment of Inertia and Centroid

If we want to know the **MOI about an axis NN** passing through the bottom edge or top edge.

Axis XX and NN are parallel and at a distance $h/2$.

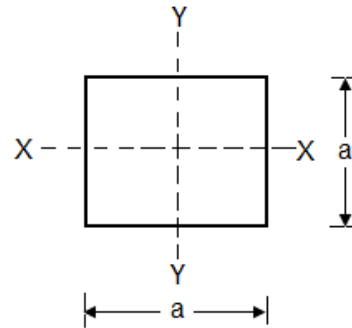
Therefore $I_{NN} = I_{xx} + \text{Area} \times (\text{distance})^2$

$$= \frac{bh^3}{12} + b \times h \times \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{bh^3}{3}$$



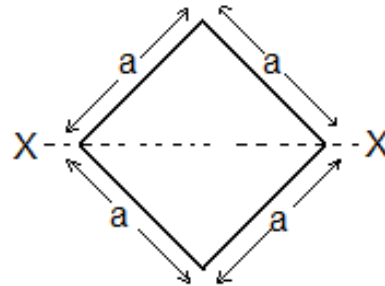
Case-I: Square area

$$I_{xx} = \frac{a^4}{12}$$



Case-II: Square area with diagonal as axis

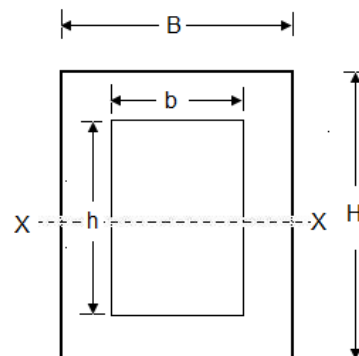
$$I_{xx} = \frac{a^4}{12}$$



Case-III: Rectangular area with a centrally rectangular hole

Moment of inertia of the area = moment of inertia of BIG rectangle – moment of inertia of SMALL rectangle

$$I_{xx} = \frac{BH^3}{12} - \frac{bh^3}{12}$$



(ii) MOI of a Circular area

The moment of inertia about axis XX this passes through the centroid. It is very easy to find polar moment of inertia about point 'O'. Take an element of width 'dr' at a distance 'r' from centre. Therefore, the moment of inertia of this element about polar axis

$$d(J) = d(I_{xx} + I_{yy}) = \text{area of ring} \times (\text{radius})^2$$

$$\text{or } d(J) = 2\pi r dr \times r^2$$

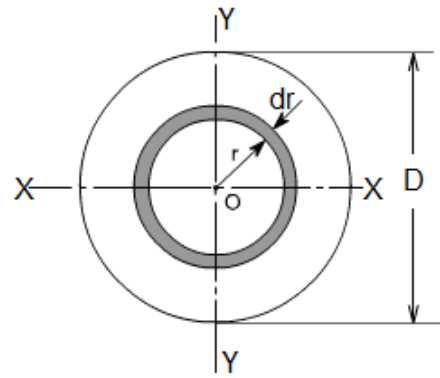
Integrating both side we get

$$J = \int_0^R 2\pi r^3 dr = \frac{\pi R^4}{2} = \frac{\pi D^4}{32}$$

Due to symmetry $I_{xx} = I_{yy}$

$$\text{Therefore, } I_{xx} = I_{yy} = \frac{J}{2} = \frac{\pi D^4}{64}$$

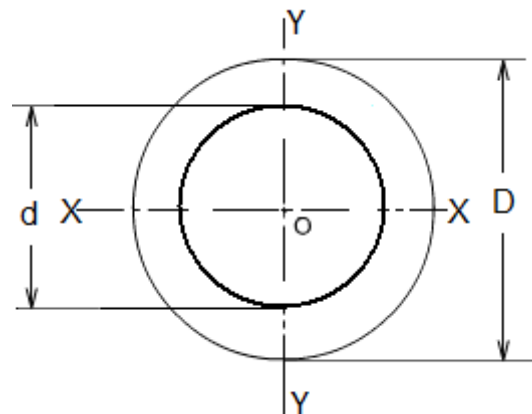
$$I_{xx} = I_{yy} = \frac{\pi D^4}{64} \quad \text{and} \quad J = \frac{\pi D^4}{32}$$



Case-I: Moment of inertia of a circular area with a concentric hole.

Moment of inertia of the area = moment of inertia of BIG circle – moment of inertia of SMALL circle.

$$\begin{aligned} I_{xx} = I_{yy} &= \frac{\pi D^4}{64} - \frac{\pi d^4}{64} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{64} (D^4 - d^4) \\ \text{and } J &= \frac{\pi}{32} (D^4 - d^4) \end{aligned}$$



Case-II: Moment of inertia of a semi-circular area.

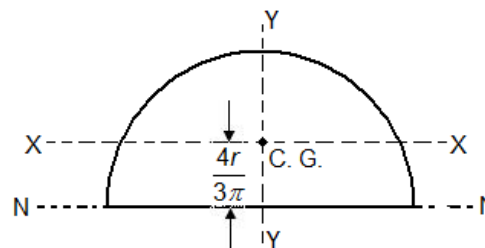
$$\begin{aligned} I_{NN} &= \frac{1}{2} \text{ of the moment of total circular lamina} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{\pi D^4}{64} \right) = \frac{\pi D^4}{128} \end{aligned}$$

We know that distance of CG from base is

$$\frac{4r}{3\pi} = \frac{2D}{3\pi} = h(\text{say})$$

i.e. distance of parallel axis XX and NN is (h)

∴ According to parallel axis theory



$$I_{NN} = I_G + \text{Area} \times (\text{distance})^2$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\pi D^4}{128} = I_{xx} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi D^2}{4} \right) \times (h)^2$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\pi D^4}{128} = I_{xx} + \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{\pi D^2}{4} \right) \times \left(\frac{2D}{3\pi} \right)$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{I_{xx} = 0.11R^4}$$

Case – III: Quarter circle area

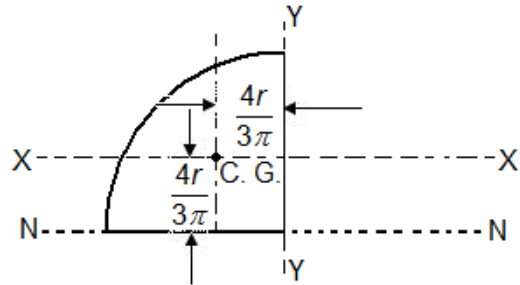
I_{xx} = one half of the moment of Inertia of the Semi-circular area about XX.

$$I_{xx} = \frac{1}{2} \times (0.11R^4) = 0.055 R^4$$

$$\boxed{I_{xx} = 0.055 R^4}$$

I_{NN} = one half of the moment of Inertia of the Semi-circular area about NN.

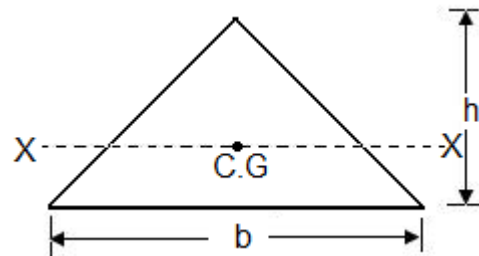
$$\therefore I_{NN} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\pi D^4}{64} = \frac{\pi D^4}{128}$$



(iii) Moment of Inertia of a Triangular area

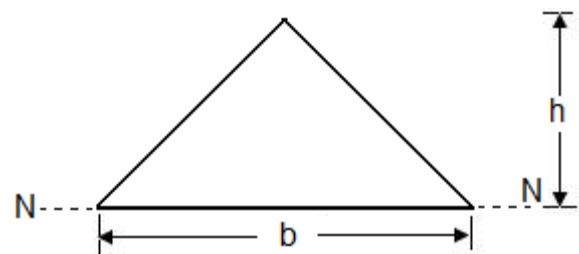
(a) Moment of Inertia of a Triangular area of a axis XX parallel to base and passes through C.G.

$$\boxed{I_{xx} = \frac{bh^3}{36}}$$



(b) Moment of inertia of a triangle about an axis passes through base

$$\boxed{I_{NN} = \frac{bh^3}{12}}$$



Chapter-3

Moment of Inertia and Centroid

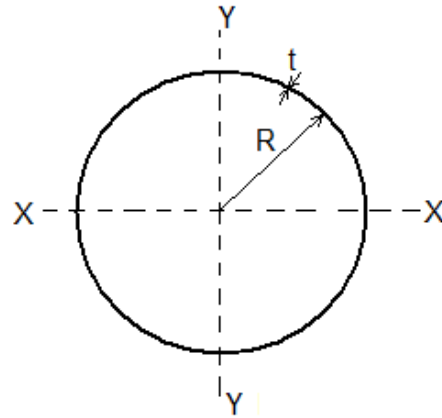
(iv) Moment of inertia of a thin circular ring:

Polar moment of Inertia

$$(J) = R^2 \times \text{area of whole ring}$$

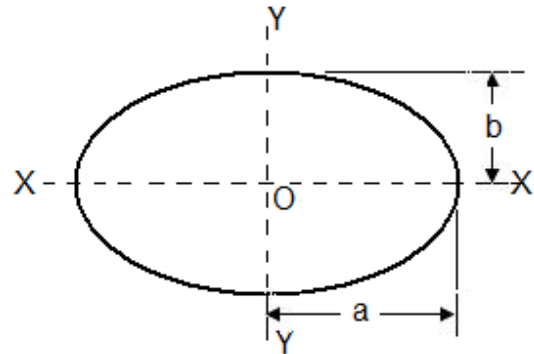
$$= R^2 \times 2\pi R t = 2\pi R^3 t$$

$$I_{XX} = I_{YY} = \frac{J}{2} = \pi R^3 t$$



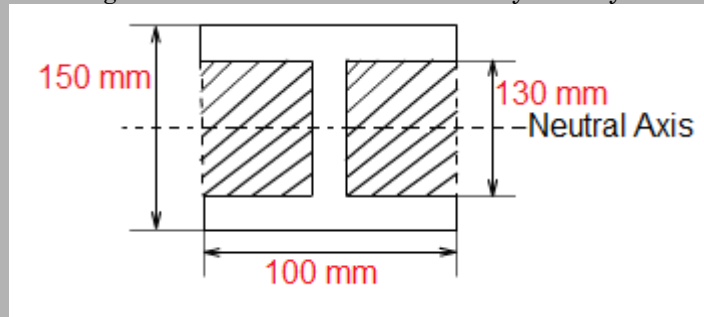
(v) Moment of inertia of a elliptical area

$$I_{XX} = \frac{\pi a b^3}{4}$$



Let us take an example: An I-section beam of 100 mm wide, 150 mm depth flange and web of thickness 20 mm is used in a structure of length 5 m. Determine the Moment of Inertia (of area) of cross-section of the beam.

Answer: Carefully observe the figure below. It has sections with symmetry about the neutral axis.



We may use standard value for a rectangle about an axis passes through centroid. i.e. $I = \frac{bh^3}{12}$. The section can thus be divided into convenient rectangles for each of which the neutral axis passes the

$$I_{Beam} = I_{Rectangle} - I_{Shaded area}$$

$$= \left[\frac{0.100 \times (0.150)^3}{12} - 2 \times \frac{0.40 \times 0.130^3}{12} \right] m^4$$

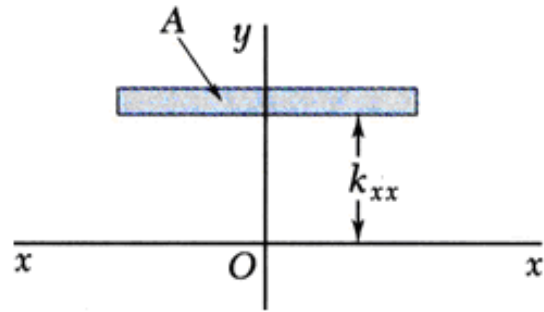
$$= 1.183 \times 10^{-4} m^4$$

3.9 Radius of gyration

Consider area A with moment of inertia I_{xx} . Imagine that the area is concentrated in a thin strip parallel to the x axis with equivalent I_{xx} .

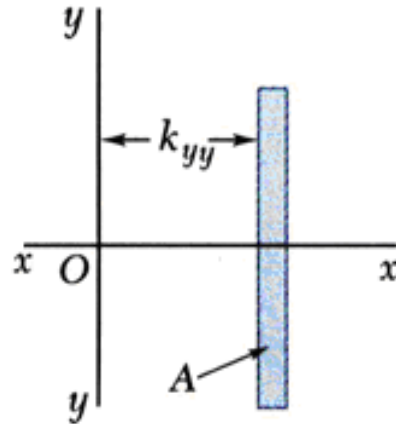
$$I_{xx} = k_{xx}^2 A \text{ or } k_{xx} = \sqrt{\frac{I_{xx}}{A}}$$

k_{xx} = radius of gyration with respect to the x axis.



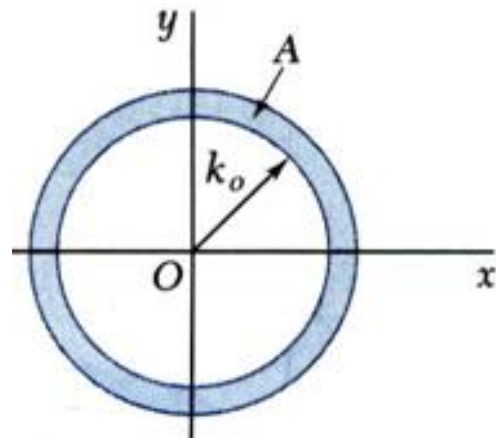
Similarly

$$I_{yy} = k_{yy}^2 A \text{ or } k_{yy} = \sqrt{\frac{I_{yy}}{A}}$$



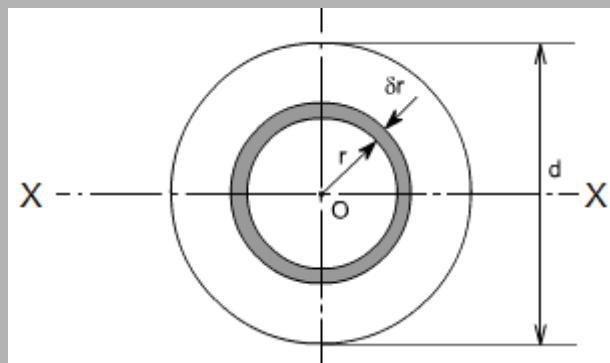
$$J = k_o^2 A \text{ or } k_o = \sqrt{\frac{J}{A}}$$

$$k_o^2 = k_{xx}^2 + k_{yy}^2$$



Let us take an example: Find radius of gyration for a circular area of diameter 'd' about central axis.

Answer:



We know that, $I_{xx} = K_{xx}^2 A$

$$\text{or } K_{xx} = \sqrt{\frac{I_{xx}}{A}} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\pi d^4}{64}}{\frac{\pi d^2}{4}}} = \frac{d}{4}$$

OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Moment of Inertia (Second moment of an area)

GATE-1. The second moment of a circular area about the diameter is given by (D is the diameter) [GATE-2003]

- (a) $\frac{\pi D^4}{4}$ (b) $\frac{\pi D^4}{16}$ (c) $\frac{\pi D^4}{32}$ (d) $\frac{\pi D^4}{64}$

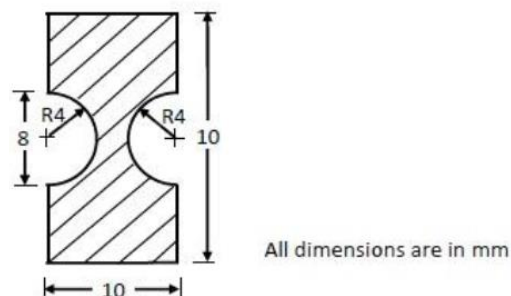
GATE-2a. The area moment of inertia of a square of size 1 unit about its diagonal is:

[GATE-2001]

- (a) $\frac{1}{3}$ (b) $\frac{1}{4}$ (c) $\frac{1}{12}$ (d) $\frac{1}{6}$

GATE-2b. Polar moment of inertia (I_p), in cm^4 , of a rectangular section having width, $b = 2$ cm and depth, $d = 6$ cm is _____ [CE: GATE-2014]

GATE-2c. The figure shows cross-section of a beam subjected to bending. The area moment of inertia (in mm^4) of this cross-section about its base is _____ [GATE-2016]



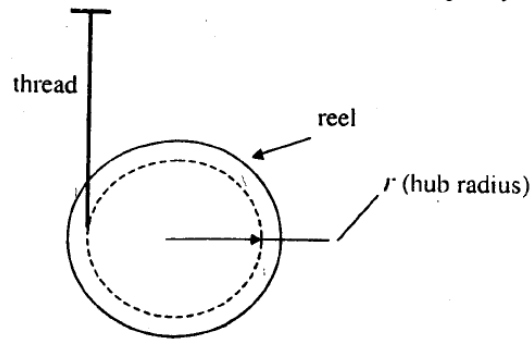
GATE-2d. The cross-sections of two solid bars made of the same material are shown in the figure. The square cross-section has flexural (bending) rigidity I_1 , while the circular cross-section has flexural rigidity I_2 . Both sections have the same cross-sectional area. The ratio I_1/I_2 is

- (a) $1/\pi$ (b) $2/\pi$ (c) $\pi/3$ (d) $\pi/6$ [GATE-2016]

Radius of Gyration

Data for Q3–Q4 are given below. Solve the problems and choose correct answers.

A reel of mass “ m ” and radius of gyration “ k ” is rolling down smoothly from rest with one end of the thread wound on it held in the ceiling as depicted in the figure. Consider the thickness of the thread and its mass negligible in comparison with the radius “ r ” of the hub and the reel mass “ m ”. Symbol “ g ” represents the acceleration due to gravity. [GATE-2003]



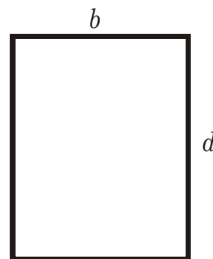
GATE-3. The linear acceleration of the reel is:

- (a) $\frac{gr^2}{(r^2 + k^2)}$ (b) $\frac{gk^2}{(r^2 + k^2)}$ (c) $\frac{grk}{(r^2 + k^2)}$ (d) $\frac{mgr^2}{(r^2 + k^2)}$

GATE-4. The tension in the thread is:

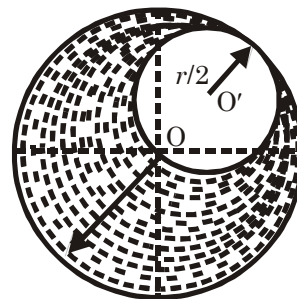
- (a) $\frac{mgr^2}{(r^2 + k^2)}$ (b) $\frac{mgrk}{(r^2 + k^2)}$ (c) $\frac{mgk^2}{(r^2 + k^2)}$ (d) $\frac{mg}{(r^2 + k^2)}$

GATE-5. For the section shown below, second moment of the area about an axis $\frac{d}{4}$ distance above the bottom of the area is [CE: GATE-2006]



- (a) $\frac{bd^3}{48}$ (b) $\frac{bd^3}{12}$ (c) $\frac{7bd^3}{48}$ (d) $\frac{bd^3}{3}$

GATE-6. A disc of radius r has a hole of radius $\frac{r}{2}$ cut-out as shown. The centroid of the remaining disc (shaded portion) at a radial distance from the centre "O" is



[CE: GATE-2010]

- (a) $\frac{r}{2}$ (b) $\frac{r}{3}$ (c) $\frac{r}{6}$ (d) $\frac{r}{8}$

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Centroid

IES-1. Assertion (A): Inertia force always acts through the centroid of the body and is directed opposite to the acceleration of the centroid. [IES-2001]

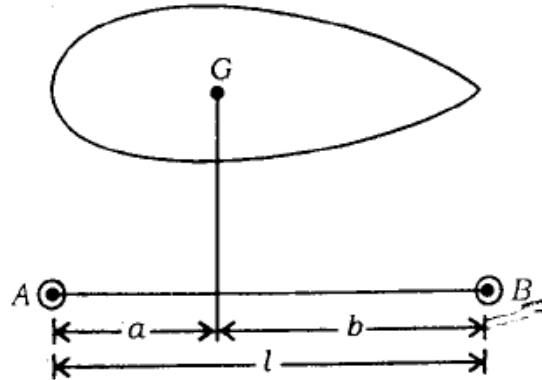
Reason (R): It has always a tendency to retard the motion.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

Radius of Gyration

IES-2. Figure shows a rigid body of mass m having radius of gyration k about its centre of gravity. It is to be replaced by an equivalent dynamical system of two masses placed at A and B. The mass at A should be:

- (a) $\frac{a \times m}{a+b}$ (b) $\frac{b \times m}{a+b}$
 (c) $\frac{m}{3} \times \frac{a}{b}$ (d) $\frac{m}{2} \times \frac{b}{a}$



[IES-2003]

IES-3. Force required to accelerate a cylindrical body which rolls without slipping on a horizontal plane (mass of cylindrical body is m , radius of the cylindrical surface in contact with plane is r , radius of gyration of body is k and acceleration of the body is a) is:

- (a) $m(k^2/r^2 + 1).a$ (b) $(mk^2/r^2).a$ (c) $mk^2.a$ (d) $(mk^2/r + 1).a$

[IES-2001]

IES-4. A body of mass m and radius of gyration k is to be replaced by two masses m_1 and m_2 located at distances h_1 and h_2 from the CG of the original body. An equivalent dynamic system will result, if

- (a) $h_1 + h_2 = k$ (b) $h_1^2 + h_2^2 = k^2$ (c) $h_1 h_2 = k^2$ (d) $\sqrt{h_1 h_2} = k^2$

[IES-2001]

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Radius of Gyration

IAS-1. A wheel of centroidal radius of gyration ' k ' is rolling on a horizontal surface with constant velocity. It comes across an obstruction of height ' h '. Because of its rolling speed, it just overcomes the obstruction. To determine v , one should use the principle (s) of conservation of

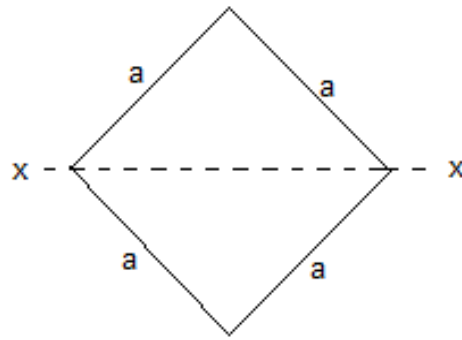
[IAS 1994]

- (a) Energy (b) Linear momentum
 (c) Energy and linear momentum (d) Energy and angular momentum

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (d)

GATE-2a. Ans. (c) $I_{xx} = \frac{a^4}{12} = \frac{(1)^4}{12}$



GATE-2b. Ans. 40 cm^4 use $I_{zz} = I_{xx} + I_{yy}$

GATE-2c. Ans. 1875.63 (Range given (1873 to 1879))

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \frac{bh^3}{3} - \frac{\pi d^4}{64} - \frac{\pi d^2}{4} \times \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{10 \times 10^3}{3} - \frac{\pi \times 8^4}{64} - \frac{\pi \times 8^2}{4} \times \left(\frac{10}{2}\right)^2 \text{ mm}^4 \\
 &= 1875.63 \text{ mm}^4
 \end{aligned}$$

MOI of rectangular area = $bh^3/12$ about its base and $bh^3/12$ about its CG.

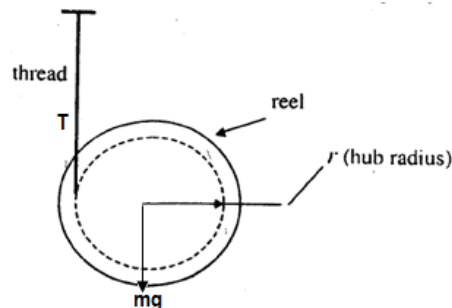
MOI of circular area = $\pi d^4/64$ about its CG. But according to parallel axes theorem about base it must be added by area \times (distance) 2

Area moment of Inertia is the measure of resistance to bending and **forms the basis of strength of materials.**

GATE-2d. Ans. (c)

GATE-3. Ans. (a) For downward linear motion $mg - T = mf$, where f = linear tangential acceleration = $r\alpha$, α = rotational acceleration. Considering rotational motion $Tr = I\alpha$.

$$\text{or, } T = mk^2 \times \frac{f}{r^2} \text{ therefore } mg - T = mf \text{ gives } f = \frac{gr^2}{(r^2 + k^2)}$$



$$\text{GATE-4. Ans. (c)} \quad T = mk^2 \times \frac{f}{r^2} = mk^2 \times \frac{gr^2}{r^2(r^2 + k^2)} = \frac{mgk^2}{(r^2 + k^2)}$$

GATE-5. Ans. (c)

Using parallel axis theorem, we get the second moment of inertia as

$$I = \frac{bd^3}{12} + bx \left(\frac{d}{2} - \frac{d}{4} \right)^2 = \frac{bd^3}{12} + \frac{bd^3}{16} = \frac{7bd^3}{48}$$

GATE-6. Ans. (c)

The centroid of the shaded portion of the disc is given by

$$x = \frac{A_1 x_1 + A_2 x_2}{A_1 + A_2}$$

where x is the radial distance from Q.

$$A_1 = \pi r^2; \quad x_1 = 0;$$

$$A_2 = -\pi \times \left(\frac{r}{2}\right)^2 = -\frac{\pi r^2}{4}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{r}{2}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{\pi r^2 \times 0 - \frac{\pi r^2}{4} \times \frac{r}{2}}{\pi r^2 - \frac{\pi r^2}{4}} = -\frac{\frac{\pi r^2}{2}}{3\pi r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{r}{6}$$

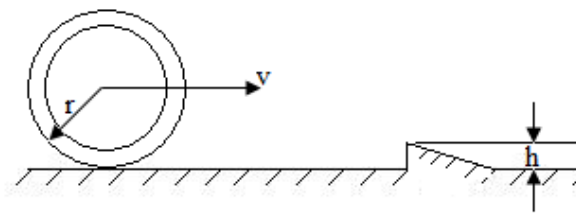
IES-1. Ans. (c) It has always a tendency to oppose the motion not retard. If we want to retard a motion then it will want to accelerate.

IES-2. Ans. (b)

IES-3. Ans. (a)

IES-4. Ans. (c)

IAS-1. Ans. (a)



Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES-2004

Question: When are I-sections preferred in engineering applications? Elaborate your answer.

Answer: I-section has large section modulus. It will reduce the stresses induced in the material. Since I-section has the considerable area are far away from the natural so its section modulus increased.



Bending Moment and Shear Force Diagram

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

4.1 Shear Force and Bending Moment

At first we try to understand what shear force is and what is bending moment?

We will not introduce any other co-ordinate system. We use general co-ordinate axis as shown in the figure. This system will be followed in shear force and bending moment diagram and in deflection of beam. Here downward direction will be negative i.e. negative Y-axis. Therefore downward deflection of the beam will be treated as negative.



We use above Co-ordinate system

Some books fix a co-ordinate axis as shown in the following figure. Here downward direction will be positive i.e. positive Y-axis. Therefore downward deflection of the beam will be treated as positive. As beam is generally deflected in downward directions and this co-ordinate system treats downward deflection as positive deflection.



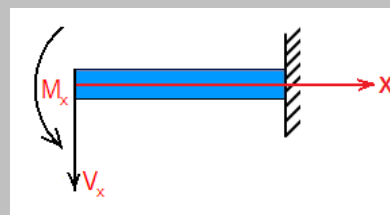
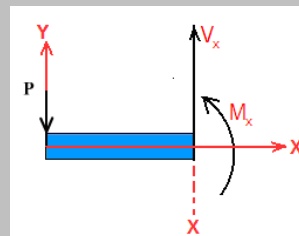
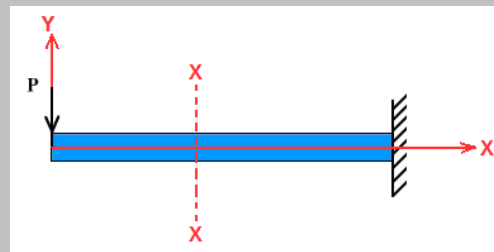
Some books use above co-ordinate system

Consider a cantilever beam as shown subjected to external load 'P'. If we imagine this beam to be cut by a section X-X, we see that the applied force tends to displace the left-hand portion of the beam relative to the right hand portion, which is fixed in the wall. This tendency is resisted by internal forces between the two parts of the beam. At the cut section a resistance shear force (V_x) and a bending moment (M_x) is induced. This resistance shear force and the bending moment at the cut section is shown in the left hand and right hand portion of the cut beam. Using the three equations of equilibrium

$$\sum F_x = 0, \sum F_y = 0 \text{ and } \sum M_i = 0$$

We find that $V_x = -P$ and $M_x = -P \cdot x$

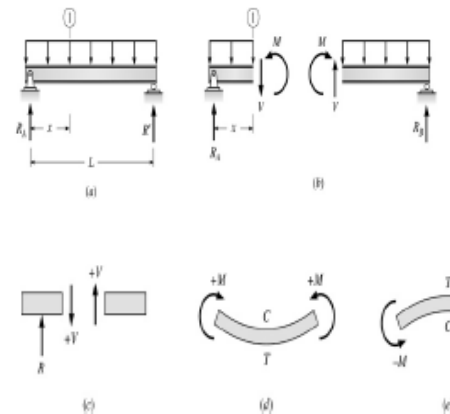
In this chapter we want to show pictorially the variation of shear force and bending moment in a



beam as a function of 'x' measured from one end of the beam.

Shear Force (V) \equiv equal in magnitude but opposite in direction to the algebraic sum (resultant) of the components in the direction perpendicular to the axis of the beam of all external loads and support reactions acting on either side of the section being considered.

Bending Moment (M) equal in magnitude but opposite in direction to the algebraic sum of the moments about (the centroid of the cross section of the beam) the section of all external loads and support reactions acting on either side of the section being considered.



What are the benefits of drawing shear force and bending moment diagram?

The benefits of drawing a variation of shear force and bending moment in a beam as a function of 'x' measured from one end of the beam is that it becomes easier to determine the maximum absolute value of shear force and bending moment. The shear force and bending moment diagram gives a clear picture in our mind about the variation of SF and BM throughout the entire section of the beam.

Further, the determination of value of bending moment as a function of 'x' becomes very important so as to determine the value of deflection of beam subjected to a given loading where we will use the formula,

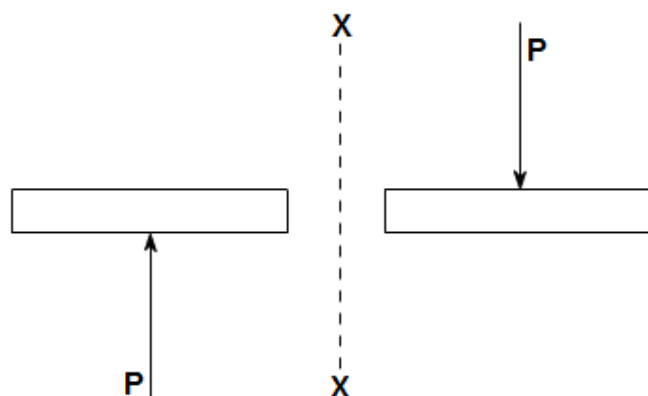
$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x.$$

4.2 Notation and sign convention

• Shear force (V)

Positive Shear Force

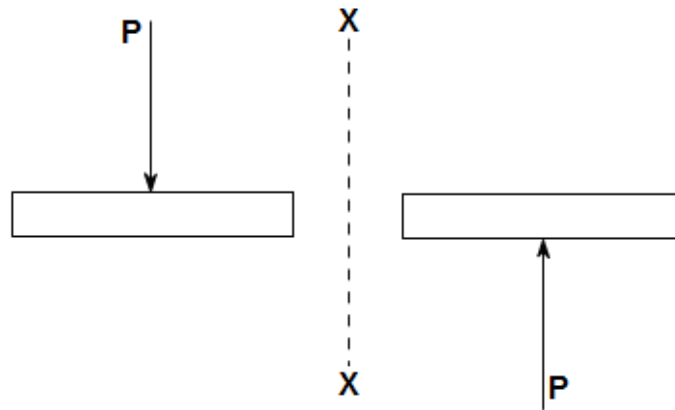
A shearing force having a downward direction to the right hand side of a section or upwards to the left hand of the section will be taken as 'positive'. It is the usual sign conventions to be followed for the shear force. In some book followed totally opposite sign convention.



The upward direction shearing force which is on the **left hand** of the section XX is **positive** shear force. The downward direction shearing force which is on the **right hand** of the section XX is **positive** shear force.

Negative Shear Force

A shearing force having an upward direction to the right hand side of a section or downwards to the left hand of the section will be taken as 'negative'.

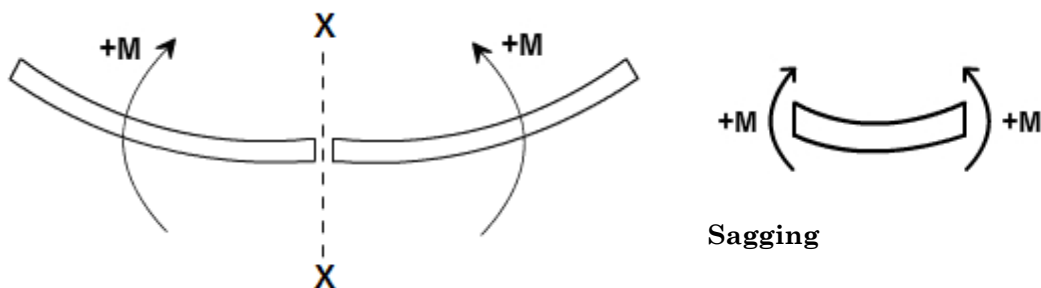


The downward direction shearing force which is on the **left hand** of the section XX is **negative** shear force. The upward direction shearing force which is on the **right hand** of the section XX is **negative** shear force.

- Bending Moment (M)**

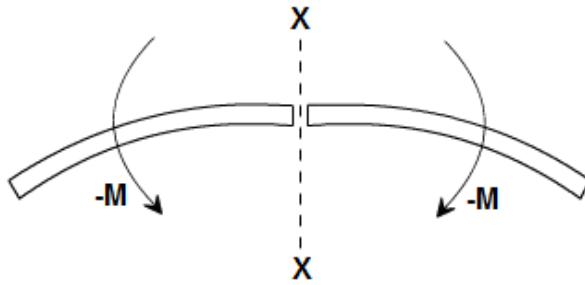
Positive Bending Moment

A bending moment causing concavity upwards will be taken as 'positive' and called as sagging bending moment.



If the bending moment of the **left hand** of the section XX is **clockwise** then it is a **positive** bending moment. If the bending moment of the **right hand** of the section XX is **anti-clockwise** then it is a **positive** bending moment. A bending moment causing concavity upwards will be taken as 'positive' and called as sagging bending moment.

Negative Bending Moment



Hogging

If the bending moment of the *left hand* of the section XX is *anti-clockwise* then it is a **negative** bending moment.

If the bending moment of the *right hand* of the section XX is *clockwise* then it is a **negative** bending moment.

A bending moment causing convexity upwards will be taken as 'negative' and called as hogging bending moment.

Way to remember sign convention

- Remember in the *Cantilever beam both Shear force and BM are negative (-ive)*.

4.3 Relation between S.F (V_x), B.M. (M_x) & Load (w)

- $\frac{dV_x}{dx} = -w$ (load) The value of the distributed load at any point in the beam is equal to

the slope of the shear force curve. (Note that the sign of this rule may change depending on the sign convention used for the external distributed load).

- $\frac{dM_x}{dx} = V_x$ The value of the shear force at any point in the beam is equal to the slope of the bending moment curve.

4.4 Procedure for drawing shear force and bending moment diagram

Construction of shear force diagram

- From the loading diagram of the beam constructed shear force diagram.
- First determine the reactions.
- Then the vertical components of forces and reactions are successively summed from the left end of the beam to preserve the mathematical sign conventions adopted. The shear at a section is simply equal to the sum of all the vertical forces to the left of the section.
- The shear force curve is continuous unless there is a point force on the beam. The curve then "jumps" by the magnitude of the point force (+ for upward force).
- When the successive summation process is used, the shear force diagram should end up with the previously calculated shear (reaction at right end of the beam). No shear force acts through the beam just beyond the last vertical force or reaction. If the shear force diagram closes in this fashion,

then it gives an important check on mathematical calculations. i.e. The shear force will be zero at each end of the beam unless a point force is applied at the end.

Construction of bending moment diagram

- The bending moment diagram is obtained by proceeding continuously along the length of beam from the left hand end and summing up the areas of shear force diagrams using proper sign convention.
- The process of obtaining the moment diagram from the shear force diagram by summation is exactly the same as that for drawing shear force diagram from load diagram.
- The bending moment curve is continuous unless there is a point moment on the beam. The curve then “jumps” by the magnitude of the point moment (+ for CW moment).
- We know that a constant shear force produces a uniform change in the bending moment, resulting in straight line in the moment diagram. If no shear force exists along a certain portion of a beam, then it indicates that there is no change in moment takes place. We also know that $dM/dx = V_x$ therefore, from the fundamental theorem of calculus the maximum or minimum moment occurs where the shear is zero.
- The bending moment will be zero at each free or pinned end of the beam. If the end is built in, the moment computed by the summation must be equal to the one calculated initially for the reaction.

4.5 Different types of Loading and their S.F & B.M Diagram

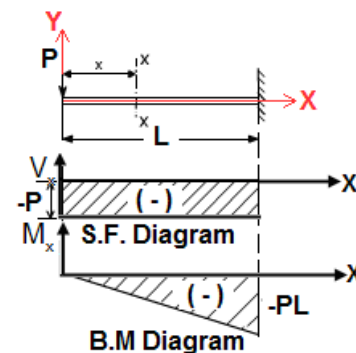
(i) A Cantilever beam with a concentrated load ‘P’ at its free end.

Shear force:

At a section a distance x from free end consider the forces to the left, then $(V_x) = -P$ (for all values of x) negative in sign i.e. the shear force to the left of the x -section are in downward direction and therefore negative.

Bending Moment:

Taking moments about the section gives (obviously to the left of the section) $M_x = -P.x$ (negative sign means that the moment on the left hand side of the portion is in the anticlockwise direction and is therefore taken as negative according to the sign convention) so that the **maximum** bending moment occurs at the fixed end i.e. $M_{max} = -PL$ (at $x = L$)



S.F and B.M diagram

(ii) A Cantilever beam with uniformly distributed load over the whole length

When a cantilever beam is subjected to a uniformly distributed load whose intensity is given w /unit length.

Shear force:

Consider any cross-section XX which is at a distance of x from the free end. If we just take the resultant of all the forces on the left of the X-section, then

$$V_x = -w \cdot x \quad \text{for all values of 'x'}$$

$$\text{At } x = 0, \quad V_x = 0$$

$$\text{At } x = L, \quad V_x = -wL \quad (\text{i.e. Maximum at fixed end})$$

Plotting the equation $V_x = -w \cdot x$, we get a straight line because it is a equation of a straight line $y (V_x) = m(-w) \cdot x$

Bending Moment:

Bending Moment at XX is obtained by treating the load to the left of XX as a concentrated load of the same value ($w \cdot x$) acting through the centre of gravity at $x/2$.

Therefore, the bending moment at any cross-section XX is

$$M_x = (-w \cdot x) \cdot \frac{x}{2} = -\frac{w \cdot x^2}{2}$$

Therefore *the variation of bending moment is according to parabolic law.*

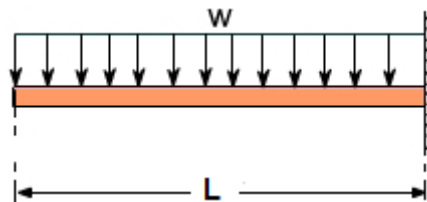
The extreme values of B.M would be

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad M_x = 0$$

$$\text{and } x = L, \quad M_x = -\frac{wL^2}{2}$$

Maximum bending moment, $M_{\max} = \frac{wL^2}{2}$ at fixed end

Another way to describe a cantilever beam with uniformly distributed load (UDL) over it's whole length.



(iii) A Cantilever beam loaded as shown below draw its S.F and B.M diagram

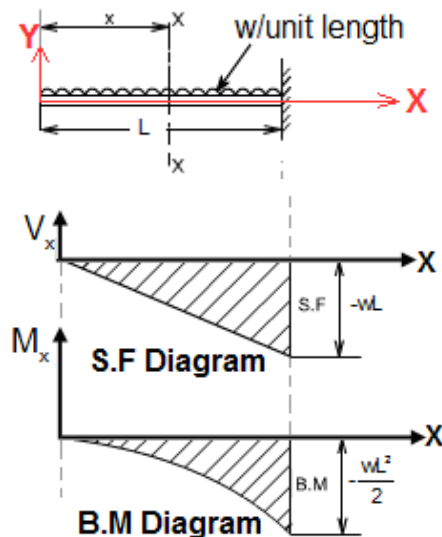
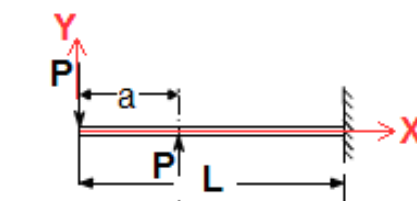
In the region $0 < x < a$

Following the same rule as followed previously, we get

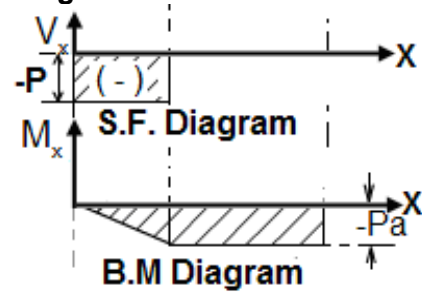
$$V_x = -P; \quad \text{and } M_x = -P \cdot x$$

In the region $a < x < L$

$$V_x = -P + P = 0; \quad \text{and } M_x = -P \cdot x + P(x - a) = P \cdot a$$

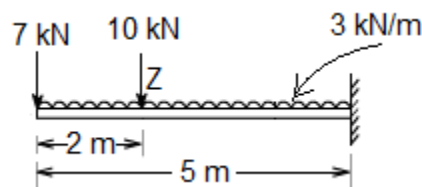


S.F and B.M diagram



S.F and B.M diagram

(iv) Let us take an example: Consider a cantilever beam of 5 m length. It carries a uniformly distributed load 3 kN/m and a concentrated load of 7 kN at the free end and 10 kN at 3 meters from the fixed end.



Draw SF and BM diagram.

Answer: In the region $0 < x < 2$ m

Consider any cross section XX at a distance x from free end.

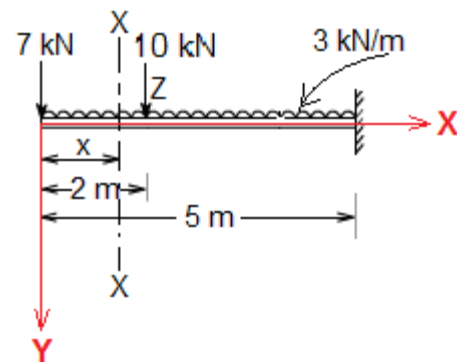
$$\text{Shear force } (V_x) = -7 - 3x$$

So, the variation of shear force is linear.

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad V_x = -7 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{at } x = 2 \text{ m}, \quad V_x = -7 - 3 \times 2 = -13 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{at point Z} \quad V_x = -7 - 3 \times 2 - 10 = -23 \text{ kN}$$



$$\text{Bending moment } (M_x) = -7x - (3x) \cdot \frac{x}{2} = -\frac{3x^2}{2} - 7x$$

So, the variation of bending force is parabolic.

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad M_x = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = 2 \text{ m}, \quad M_x = -7 \times 2 - (3 \times 2) \times \frac{2}{2} = -20 \text{ kNm}$$

In the region $2 \text{ m} < x < 5 \text{ m}$

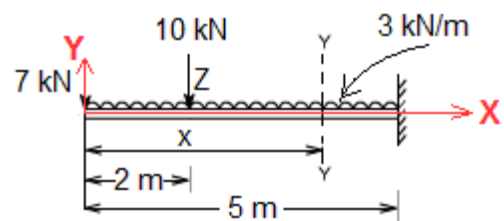
Consider any cross section YY at a distance x from free end

$$\text{Shear force } (V_x) = -7 - 3x - 10 = -17 - 3x$$

So, the variation of shear force is linear.

$$\text{at } x = 2 \text{ m}, \quad V_x = -23 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{at } x = 5 \text{ m}, \quad V_x = -32 \text{ kN}$$



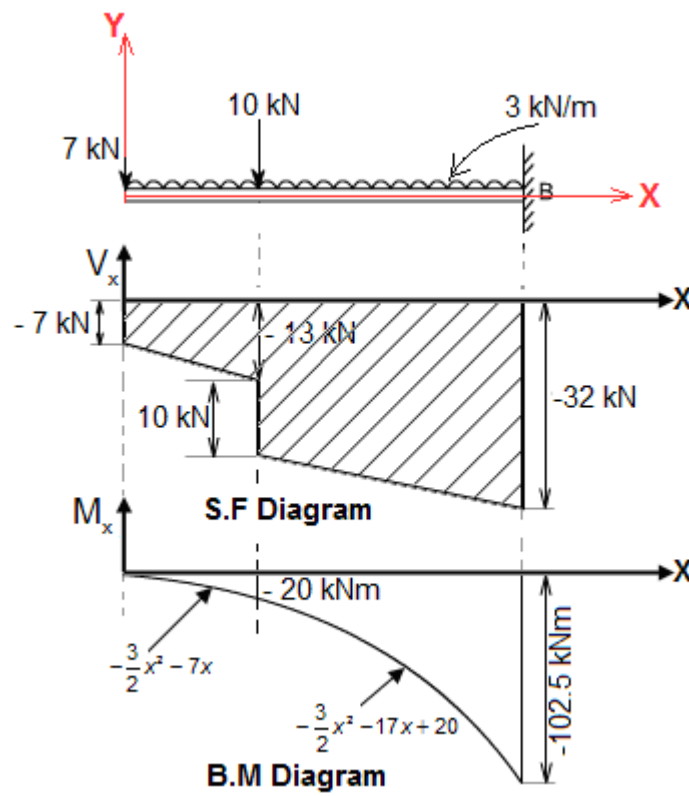
$$\text{Bending moment } (M_x) = -7x - (3x) \times \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - 10(x - 2)$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2}x^2 - 17x + 20$$

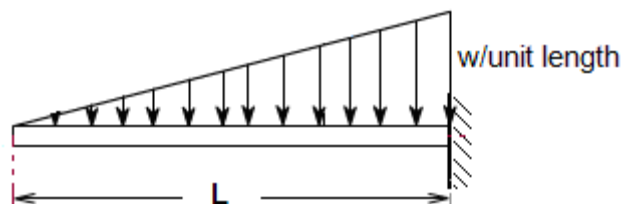
So, the variation of bending force is parabolic.

$$\text{at } x = 2 \text{ m, } M_x = -\frac{3}{2} \times 2^2 - 17 \times 2 + 20 = -20 \text{ kNm}$$

$$\text{at } x = 5 \text{ m, } M_x = -102.5 \text{ kNm}$$



- (v) A Cantilever beam carrying uniformly varying load from zero at free end and w /unit length at the fixed end



Consider any cross-section XX which is at a distance of x from the free end.

$$\text{At this point load } (w_x) = \frac{w}{L} \cdot x$$

$$\text{Therefore total load } (W) = \int_0^L w_x dx = \int_0^L \frac{w}{L} \cdot x dx = \frac{wL}{2}$$

Shear force (V_x) = area of ABC (load triangle)

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{w}{L} x \right) \cdot x = -\frac{wx^2}{2L}$$

∴ The shear force variation is parabolic.

$$\text{at } x = 0, V_x = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = L, V_x = -\frac{WL}{2} \text{ i.e. Maximum Shear force } (V_{\max}) = -\frac{WL}{2} \text{ at fixed end}$$

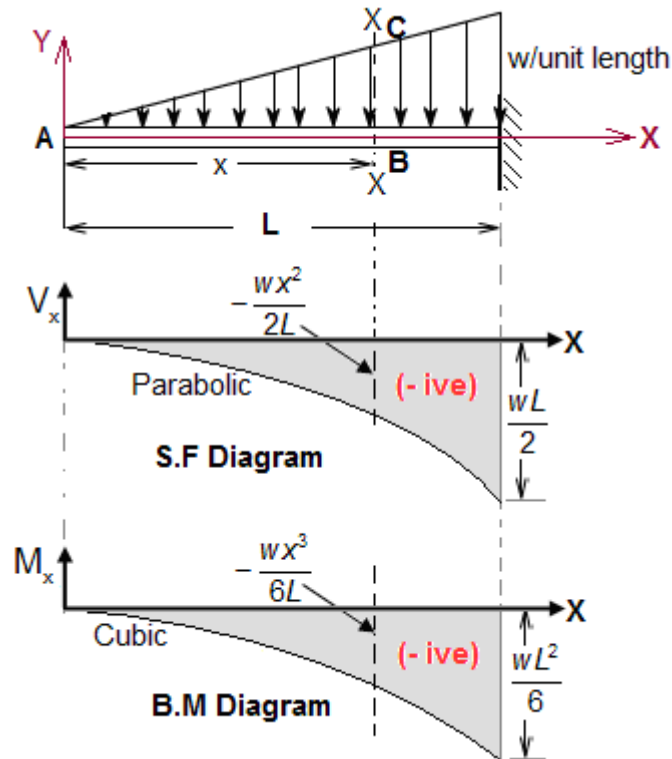
Bending moment (M_x) = load \times distance from centroid of triangle ABC

$$= -\frac{wx^2}{2L} \cdot \left(\frac{x}{3}\right) = -\frac{wx^3}{6L}$$

\therefore The bending moment variation is cubic.

at $x = 0$, $M_x = 0$

at $x = L$, $M_x = -\frac{wL^2}{6}$ i.e. Maximum Bending moment (M_{\max}) = $\frac{wL^2}{6}$ at fixed end.



Alternative way : (Integration method)

We know that $\frac{d(V_x)}{dx} = -\text{load} = -\frac{w}{L} \cdot x$

$$\text{or } d(V_x) = -\frac{w}{L} \cdot x \cdot dx$$

Integrating both side

$$\int_0^{V_x} d(V_x) = -\int_0^x \frac{w}{L} \cdot x \cdot dx$$

$$\text{or } V_x = -\frac{w}{L} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2}$$

Again we know that

$$\frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = V_x = -\frac{wx^2}{2L}$$

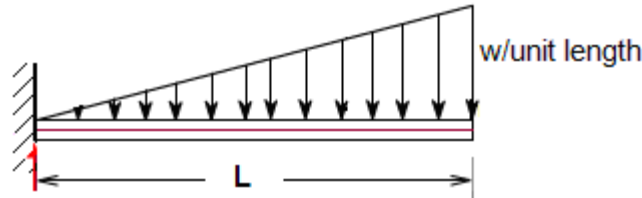
$$\text{or } d(M_x) = -\frac{wx^2}{2L} dx$$

Integrating both side we get (at $x=0, M_x=0$)

$$\int_0^{M_x} d(M_x) = - \int_0^x \frac{wx^2}{2L} .dx$$

$$\text{or } M_x = -\frac{w}{2L} \times \frac{x^3}{3} = -\frac{wx^3}{6L}$$

- (vi) A Cantilever beam carrying gradually varying load from zero at fixed end and w /unit length at the free end



Considering equilibrium we get, $M_A = \frac{wL^2}{3}$ and Reaction $(R_A) = \frac{wL}{2}$

Considering any cross-section XX which is at a distance of x from the fixed end.

At this point load $(W_x) = \frac{W}{L} .x$

Shear force $(V_x) = R_A - \text{area of triangle ANM}$

$$= \frac{wL}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{w}{L} .x \right) .x = +\frac{wL}{2} - \frac{wx^2}{2L}$$

\therefore The shear force variation is parabolic.

at $x = 0$, $V_x = +\frac{wL}{2}$ i.e. Maximum shear force, $V_{\max} = +\frac{wL}{2}$

at $x = L$, $V_x = 0$

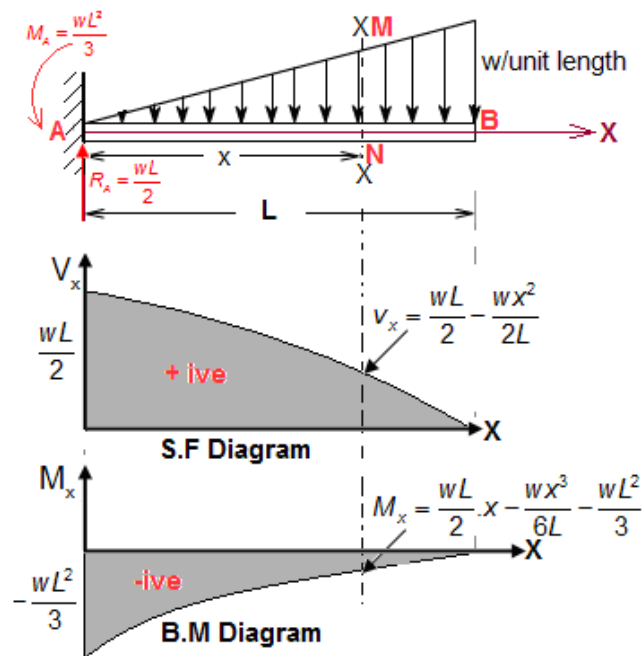
Bending moment $(M_x) = R_A .x - \frac{wx^2}{2L} \cdot \frac{2x}{3} - M_A$

$$= \frac{wL}{2} .x - \frac{wx^3}{6L} - \frac{wL^2}{3}$$

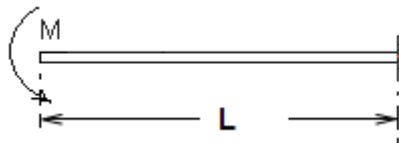
\therefore The bending moment variation is cubic

at $x = 0$, $M_x = -\frac{wL^2}{3}$ i.e. Maximum B.M. $(M_{\max}) = -\frac{wL^2}{3}$.

at $x = L$, $M_x = 0$



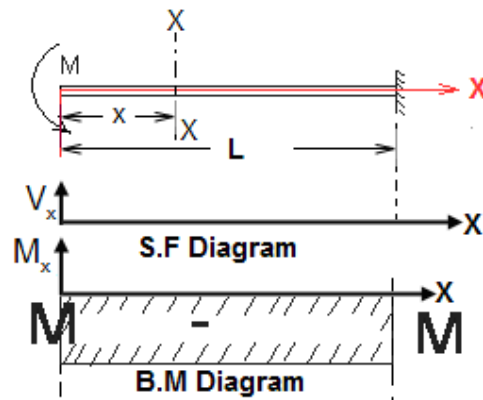
(vii) A Cantilever beam carrying a moment M at free end



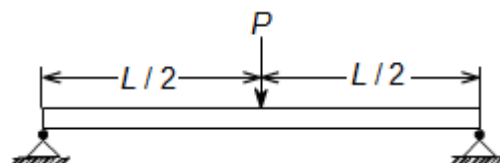
Consider any cross-section XX which is at a distance of x from the free end.

Shear force: $V_x = 0$ at any point.

Bending moment (M_x) = $-M$ at any point, i.e. Bending moment is constant throughout the length.



(viii) A Simply supported beam with a concentrated load 'P' at its mid span.



Considering equilibrium we get, $R_A = R_B = \frac{P}{2}$

Now consider any cross-section XX which is at a distance of x from left end A and section YY at a distance from left end A, as shown in figure below.

Shear force: In the region $0 < x < L/2$

$V_x = R_A = + P/2$ (it is constant)

In the region $L/2 < x < L$

$$V_x = R_A - P = \frac{P}{2} - P = -P/2 \quad (\text{it is constant})$$

Bending moment: In the region $0 < x < L/2$

$$M_x = \frac{P}{2} \cdot x \quad (\text{its variation is linear})$$

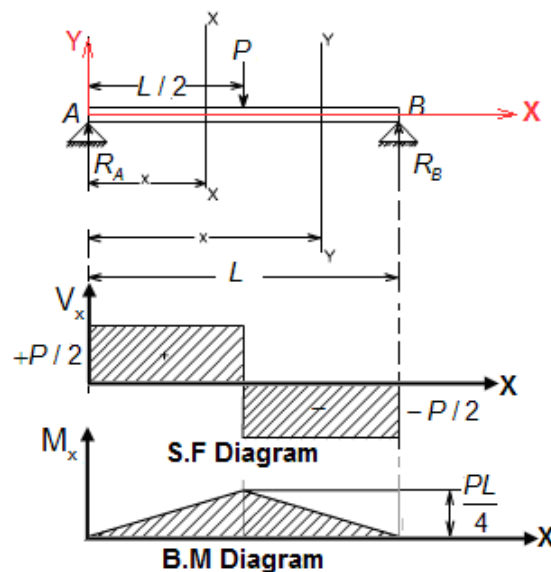
$$\text{at } x = 0, M_x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{at } x = L/2, M_x = \frac{PL}{4} \quad \text{i.e. maximum}$$

Maximum bending moment, $M_{\max} = \frac{PL}{4}$ at $x = L/2$ (at mid-point)

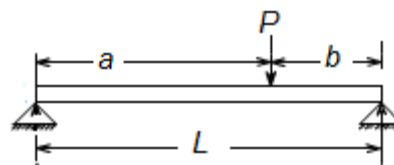
In the region $L/2 < x < L$

$$M_x = \frac{P}{2} \cdot x - P(x - L/2) = \frac{PL}{2} - \frac{P}{2} \cdot x \quad (\text{its variation is linear})$$

$$\text{at } x = L/2, M_x = \frac{PL}{4} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{at } x = L, M_x = 0$$



(ix) A Simply supported beam with a concentrated load 'P' is *not* at its mid span.



Considering equilibrium we get, $R_A = \frac{Pb}{L}$ and $R_B = \frac{Pa}{L}$

Now consider any cross-section XX which is at a distance x from left end A and another section YY at a distance x from end A as shown in figure below.

Shear force: In the range $0 < x < a$

$$V_x = R_A = +\frac{Pb}{L} \quad (\text{it is constant})$$

In the range $a < x < L$

$$V_x = R_A - P = -\frac{Pa}{L} \quad (\text{it is constant})$$

Bending moment: In the range $0 < x < a$

$$M_x = +R_A \cdot x = \frac{Pb}{L} \cdot x \quad (\text{it is variation is linear})$$

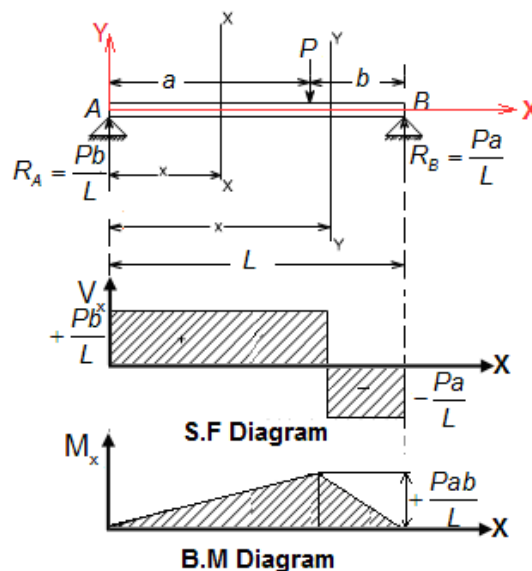
$$\text{at } x = 0, M_x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{at } x = a, M_x = \frac{Pab}{L} \quad (\text{i.e. maximum})$$

In the range $a < x < L$

$$M_x = R_A \cdot x - P(x - a) = \frac{Pb}{L} \cdot x - P \cdot x + Pa \quad (\text{Put } b = L - a)$$

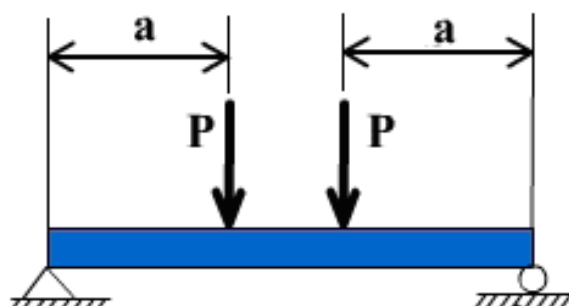
$$= Pa \left(1 - Pa \left(1 - \frac{x}{L} \right) \right)$$

$$\text{at } x = a, M_x = \frac{Pab}{L} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{at } x = L, M_x = 0$$



(x) A Simply supported beam with two concentrated load 'P' from a distance 'a' both end.

The loading is shown below diagram

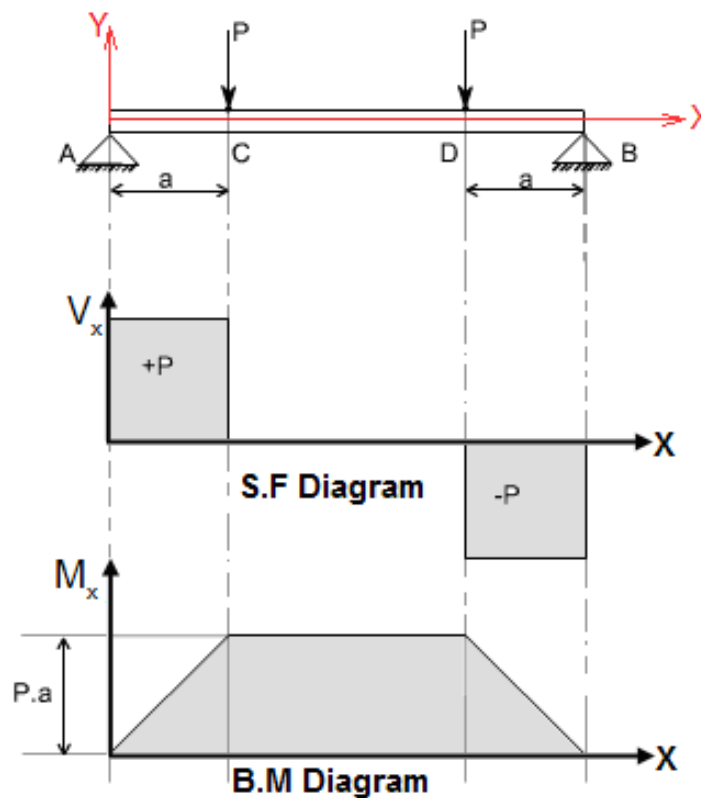


Take a section at a distance x from the left support. This section is applicable for any value of x just to the left of the applied force P . The shear, remains constant and is $+P$. The bending moment varies linearly from the support, reaching a maximum of $+Pa$.

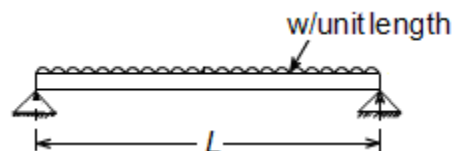
A section applicable anywhere between the two applied forces. Shear force is not necessary to maintain equilibrium of a segment in this part of the beam. Only a constant bending moment of $+Pa$ must be resisted by the beam in this zone.

Such a state of bending or flexure is called **pure bending**.

Shear and bending-moment diagrams for this loading condition are shown below.



(xi) A Simply supported beam with a uniformly distributed load (UDL) through out its length



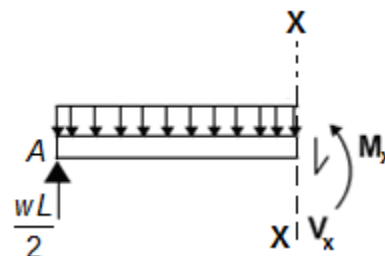
We will solve this problem by following two alternative ways.

(a) By Method of Section

Considering equilibrium we get $R_A = R_B = \frac{wL}{2}$

Now Consider any cross-section XX which is at a distance x from left end A.

Then the section view



Shear force: $V_x = \frac{wL}{2} - wx$

(i.e. S.F. variation is linear)

at $x = 0$, $V_x = \frac{wL}{2}$

at $x = L/2$, $V_x = 0$

at $x = L$, $V_x = -\frac{wL}{2}$

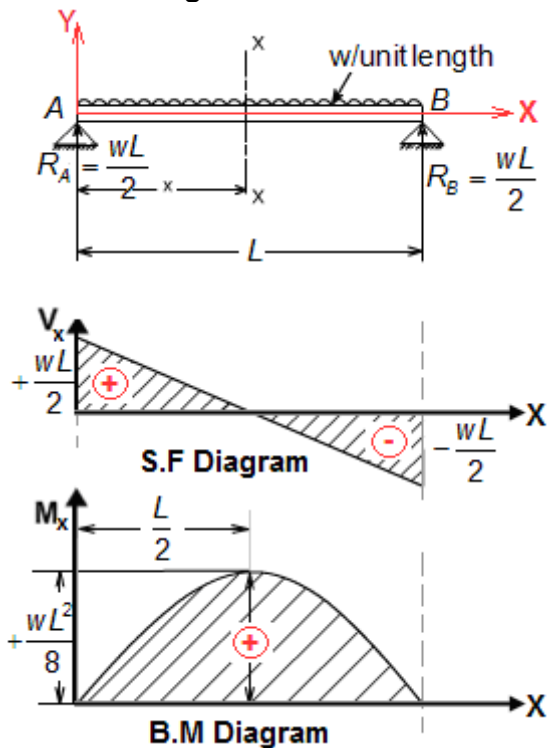
Bending moment: $M_x = \frac{wL}{2} \cdot x - \frac{wx^2}{2}$

(i.e. B.M. variation is parabolic)

at $x = 0$, $M_x = 0$

at $x = L$, $M_x = 0$

Now we have to determine maximum bending moment and its position.



For maximum B.M.: $\frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = 0$ i.e. $V_x = 0$ $\left[\because \frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = V_x \right]$

or $\frac{wL}{2} - wx = 0$ or $x = \frac{L}{2}$

Therefore, maximum bending moment, $M_{\max} = \frac{wL^2}{8}$ at $x = L/2$

(a) By Method of Integration

Shear force:

We know that, $\frac{d(V_x)}{dx} = -w$

or $d(V_x) = -w dx$

Integrating both side we get (at $x = 0$, $V_x = \frac{wL}{2}$)

$$\int_{+\frac{wL}{2}}^{V_x} d(V_x) = -\int_0^x w dx$$

or $V_x - \frac{wL}{2} = -wx$

or $V_x = \frac{wL}{2} - wx$

Bending moment:

We know that, $\frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = V_x$

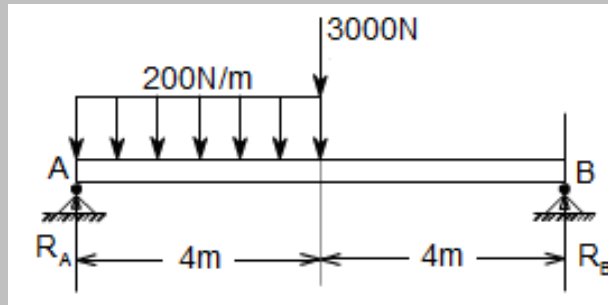
$$\text{or } d(M_x) = V_x dx = \left(\frac{wL}{2} - wx \right) dx$$

Integrating both side we get (at $x=0$, $V_x=0$)

$$\int_0^{M_x} d(M_x) = \int_0^x \left(\frac{wL}{2} - wx \right) dx$$

$$\text{or } M_x = \frac{wL}{2} \cdot x - \frac{wx^2}{2}$$

Let us take an example: A loaded beam as shown below. Draw its S.F and B.M diagram.



Considering equilibrium we get

$$\sum M_A = 0 \text{ gives}$$

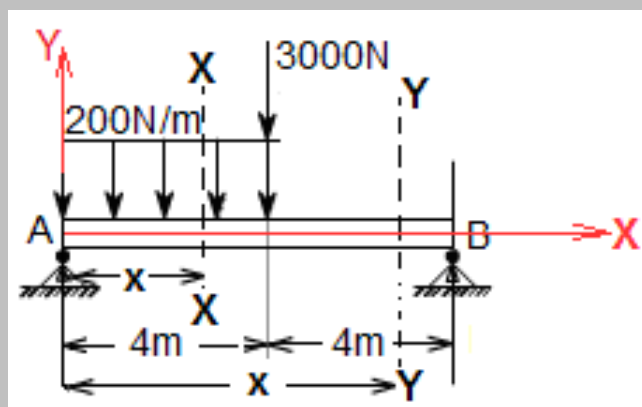
$$-(200 \times 4) \times 2 - 3000 \times 4 + R_B \times 8 = 0$$

$$\text{or } R_B = 1700 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{And } R_A + R_B = 200 \times 4 + 3000$$

$$\text{or } R_A = 2100 \text{ N}$$

Now consider any cross-section XX which is at a distance 'x' from left end A and as shown in figure



In the region $0 < x < 4\text{m}$

$$\text{Shear force } (V_x) = R_A - 200x = 2100 - 200x$$

$$\text{Bending moment } (M_x) = R_A \cdot x - 200x \cdot \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) = 2100x - 100x^2$$

at $x = 0$, $V_x = 2100 \text{ N}$, $M_x = 0$

at $x = 4 \text{ m}$, $V_x = 1300 \text{ N}$, $M_x = 6800 \text{ N.m}$

In the region $4 \text{ m} < x < 8 \text{ m}$

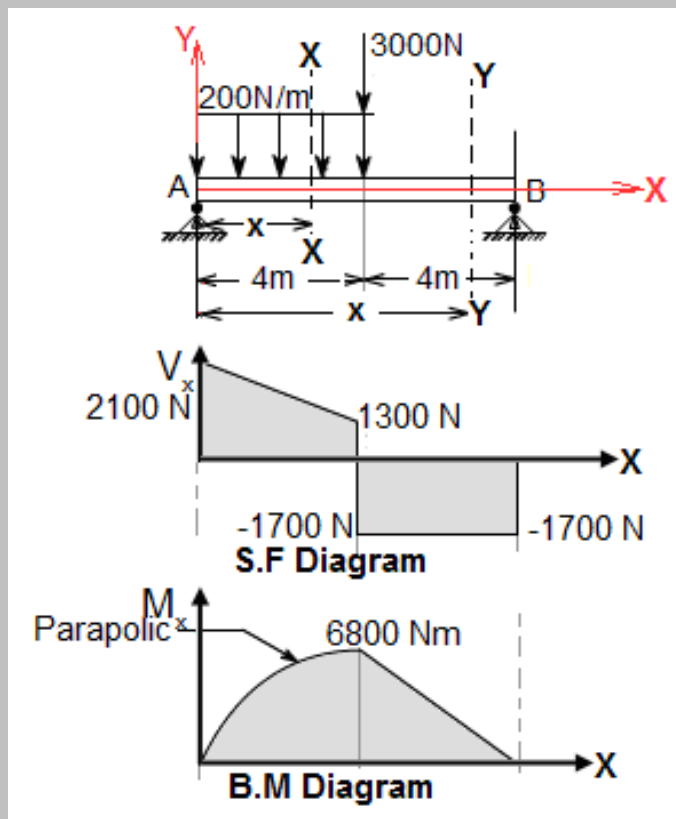
Shear force (V_x) = $R_A - 200 \times 4 - 3000 = -1700$

Bending moment (M_x) = $R_A \cdot x - 200 \times 4 (x-2) - 3000 (x-4)$

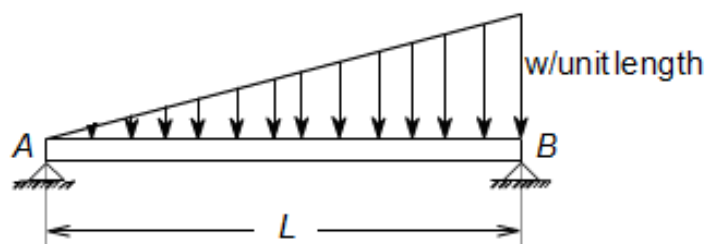
$$= 2100x - 800x + 1600 - 3000x + 12000 = 13600 - 1700x$$

at $x = 4 \text{ m}$, $V_x = -1700 \text{ N}$, $M_x = 6800 \text{ Nm}$

at $x = 8 \text{ m}$, $V_x = -1700 \text{ N}$, $M_x = 0$



- (xii) A Simply supported beam with a gradually varying load (GVL) zero at one end and w /unit length at other span.



Consider equilibrium of the beam = $\frac{1}{2}wL$ acting at a point C at a distance $\frac{2L}{3}$ to the left end A.

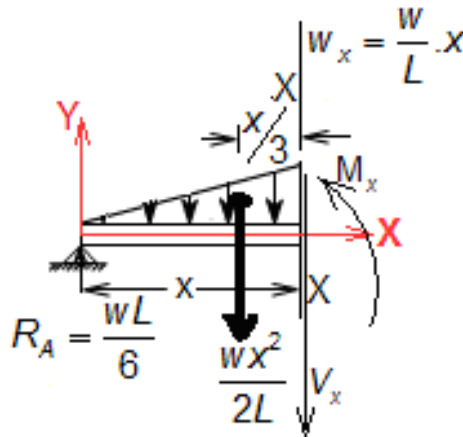
$$\sum M_B = 0 \text{ gives}$$

$$R_A \cdot L - \frac{wL}{2} \cdot \frac{L}{3} = 0$$

$$\text{or } R_A = \frac{wL}{6}$$

$$\text{Similarly } \sum M_A = 0 \text{ gives } R_B = \frac{wL}{3}$$

The free body diagram of section A - XX as shown below, Load at section XX, $(w_x) = \frac{w}{L} x$



The resultant of that part of the distributed load which acts on this free body is $= \frac{1}{2}(x) \cdot \frac{w}{L} x = \frac{wx^2}{2L}$ applied at a point Z, distance $x/3$ from XX section.

$$\text{Shear force } (V_x) = R_A - \frac{wx^2}{2L} = \frac{wL}{6} - \frac{wx^2}{2L}$$

Therefore the variation of shear force is parabolic

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad V_x = \frac{wL}{6}$$

$$\text{at } x = L, \quad V_x = -\frac{wL}{3}$$

$$\text{and Bending Moment } (M_x) = \frac{wL}{6} \cdot x - \frac{wx^2}{2L} \cdot \frac{x}{3} = \frac{wL}{6} \cdot x - \frac{wx^3}{6L}$$

The variation of BM is cubic

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad M_x = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = L, \quad M_x = 0$$

$$\text{For maximum BM; } \frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{i.e. } V_x = 0 \quad \left[\because \frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = V_x \right]$$

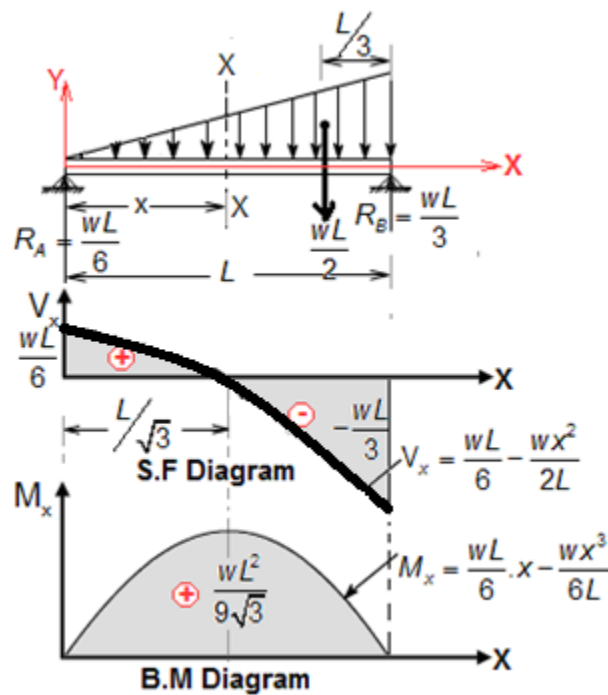
$$\text{or } \frac{wL}{6} - \frac{wx^2}{2L} = 0 \quad \text{or } x = \frac{L}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{and } M_{\max} = \frac{wL}{6} \times \left(\frac{L}{\sqrt{3}} \right) - \frac{w}{6L} \times \left(\frac{L}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^3 = \frac{wL^2}{9\sqrt{3}}$$

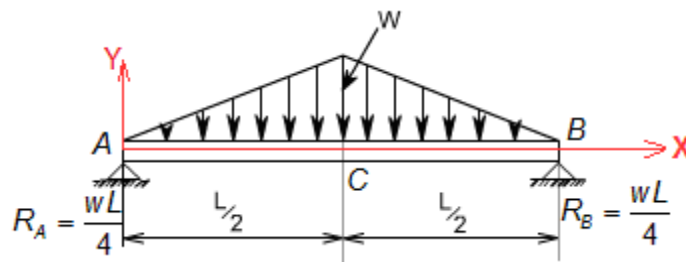
i.e.

$$M_{\max} = \frac{wL^2}{9\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{at } x = \frac{L}{\sqrt{3}}$$



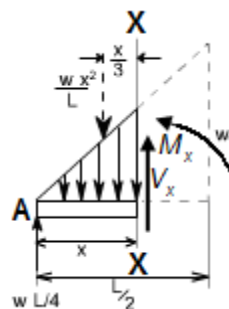
(xiii) A Simply supported beam with a gradually varying load (GVL) zero at each end and w /unit length at mid span.



Consider equilibrium of the beam AB total load on the beam $= 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{L}{2} \times w \right) = \frac{wL}{2}$

$$\text{Therefore } R_A = R_B = \frac{wL}{4}$$

The free body diagram of section A-XX as shown below, load at section XX (w_x) $= \frac{2w}{L} \cdot x$



The resultant of that part of the distributed load which acts on this free body is $= \frac{1}{2} \cdot x \cdot \frac{2w}{L} \cdot x = \frac{wx^2}{L}$

applied at a point, distance $x/3$ from section XX.

Shear force (V_x):

In the region $0 < x < L/2$

$$(V_x) = R_A - \frac{wx^2}{L} = \frac{wL}{4} - \frac{wx^2}{L}$$

Therefore the variation of shear force is parabolic.

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad V_x = \frac{wL}{4}$$

$$\text{at } x = L/2, \quad V_x = 0$$

In the region of $L/2 < x < L$

The Diagram will be Mirror image of AC.

Bending moment (M_x):

In the region $0 < x < L/2$

$$M_x = \frac{wL}{4} \cdot x - \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot x \cdot \frac{2wx}{L} \right) \cdot (x/3) = \frac{wL}{4}x - \frac{wx^3}{3L}$$

The variation of BM is cubic

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad M_x = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = L/2, \quad M_x = \frac{wL^2}{12}$$

In the region $L/2 < x < L$

BM diagram will be mirror image of AC.

For maximum bending moment

$$\frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{i.e. } V_x = 0 \quad \left[\because \frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = V_x \right]$$

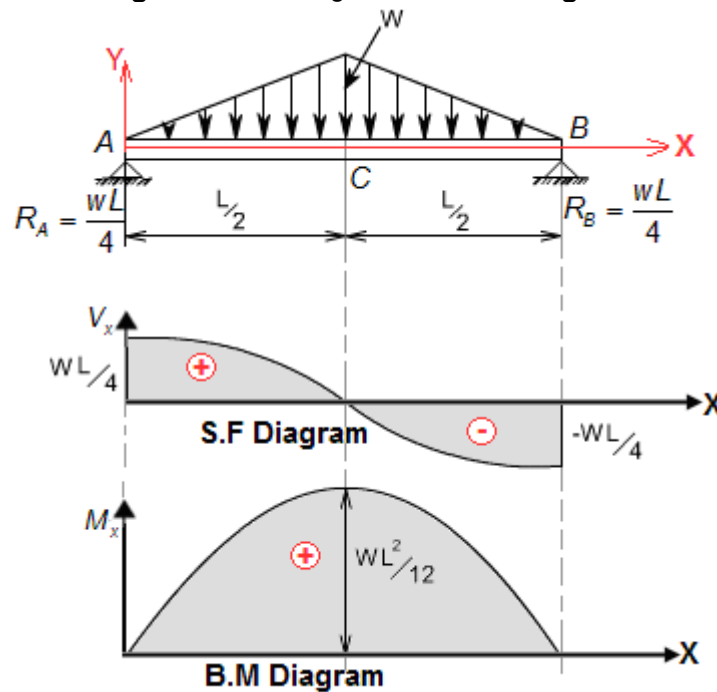
$$\text{or } \frac{wL}{4} - \frac{wx^2}{L} = 0 \quad \text{or } x = \frac{L}{2}$$

$$\text{and } M_{\max} = \frac{wL^2}{12}$$

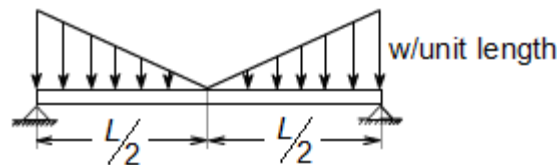
i.e.

$$M_{\max} = \frac{wL^2}{12}$$

$$\text{at } x = \frac{L}{2}$$



(xiv) A Simply supported beam with a gradually varying load (GVL) zero at mid span and $w/\text{unit length}$ at each end.

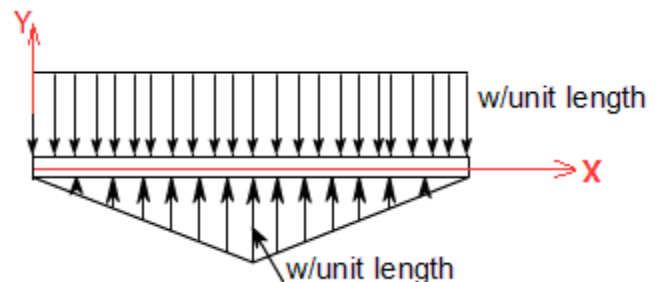


We now superimpose two beams as

(1) Simply supported beam with a UDL through at its length

$$(V_x)_1 = \frac{wL}{2} - wx$$

$$(M_x)_1 = \frac{wL}{2} \cdot x - \frac{wx^2}{2}$$



And (2) a simply supported beam with a gradually varying load (GVL) zero at each end and $w/\text{unit length}$ at mid span.

In the range $0 < x < L/2$

$$(V_x)_2 = \frac{wL}{4} - \frac{wx^2}{L}$$

$$(M_x)_2 = \frac{wL}{4} \cdot x - \frac{wx^3}{3L}$$

Now superimposing we get

Shear force (V_x):

In the region of $0 < x < L/2$

$$V_x = (V_x)_1 - (V_x)_2 = \left(\frac{wL}{2} - wx \right) - \left(\frac{wL}{4} - \frac{wx^2}{L} \right)$$

$$= \frac{w}{L} (x - L/2)^2$$

Therefore the variation of shear force is parabolic

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad V_x = + \frac{wL}{4}$$

$$\text{at } x = L/2, \quad V_x = 0$$

In the region $L/2 < x < L$

The diagram will be mirror image of AC

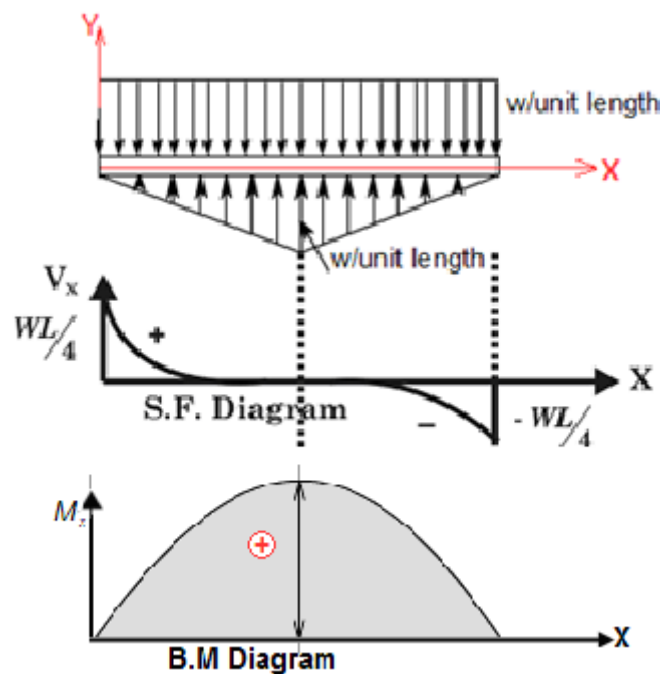
$$\text{Bending moment } (M_x) = (M_x)_1 - (M_x)_2 =$$

$$= \left(\frac{wL}{2} \cdot x - \frac{wx^2}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{wL}{4} \cdot x - \frac{wx^3}{3L} \right) = \frac{wx^3}{3L} - \frac{wx^2}{2} + \frac{wL}{4} \cdot x$$

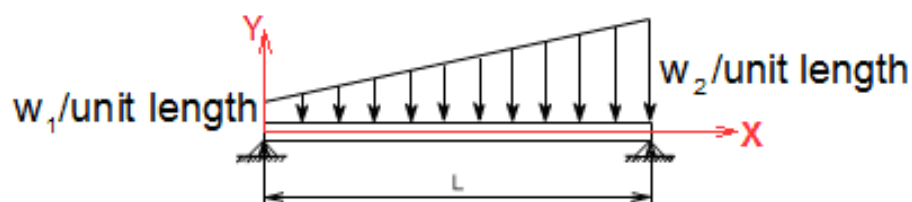
The variation of BM is cubic

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad M_x = 0$$

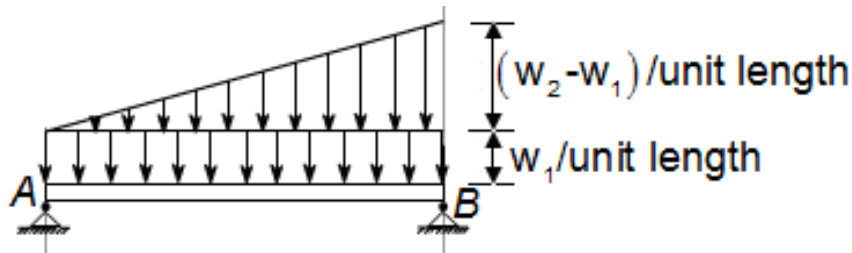
$$\text{at } x = L/2, \quad M_x = \frac{wx^2}{24}$$



(xv) A simply supported beam with a gradually varying load (GVL) w_1 /unit length at one end and w_2 /unit length at other end.



At first we will treat this problem by considering a UDL of identifying $(w_1)/\text{unit length}$ over the whole length and a varying load of zero at one end to $(w_2 - w_1)/\text{unit length}$ at the other end. Then superimpose the two loadings.



Consider a section XX at a distance x from left end A

(i) Simply supported beam with UDL (w_1) over whole length

$$(V_x)_1 = \frac{w_1 L}{2} - w_1 x$$

$$(M_x)_1 = \frac{w_1 L}{2} \cdot x - \frac{1}{2} w_1 x^2$$

And(ii) simply supported beam with (GVL) zero at one end ($w_2 - w_1$) at other end gives

$$(V_x)_2 = \frac{(w_2 - w_1)}{6} - \frac{(w_2 - w_1)}{2L} x^2$$

$$(M_x)_2 = (w_2 - w_1) \cdot \frac{L}{6} \cdot x - \frac{(w_2 - w_1)}{6L} x^3$$

Now superimposing we get

$$\text{Shear force } (V_x) = (V_x)_1 + (V_x)_2 = \frac{w_1 L}{3} + \frac{w_2 L}{6} - w_1 x - (w_2 - w_1) \frac{x^2}{2L}$$

\therefore The SF variation is parabolic

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad V_x = \frac{w_1 L}{3} + \frac{w_2 L}{6} = \frac{L}{6} (2w_1 + w_2)$$

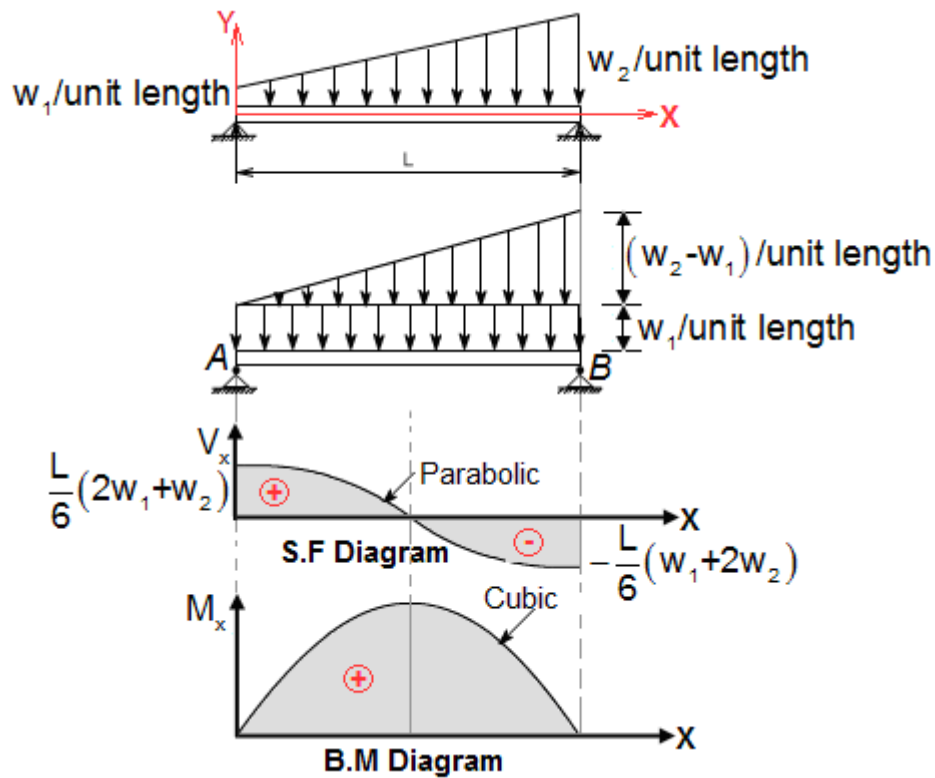
$$\text{at } x = L, \quad V_x = -\frac{L}{6} (w_1 + 2w_2)$$

$$\text{Bending moment } (M_x) = (M_x)_1 + (M_x)_2 = \frac{w_1 L}{3} \cdot x + \frac{w_2 L}{6} \cdot x - \frac{1}{2} w_1 x^2 - \left(\frac{w_2 - w_1}{6L} \right) \cdot x^3$$

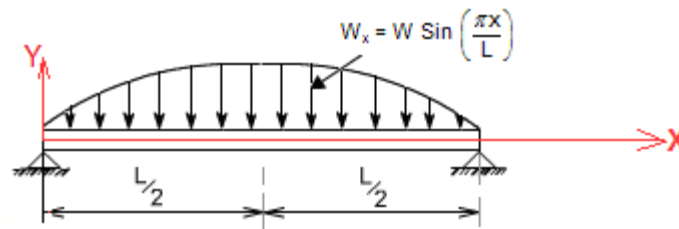
\therefore The BM variation is cubic.

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad M_x = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = L, \quad M_x = 0$$



(xvi) A Simply supported beam carrying a continuously distributed load. The intensity of the load at any point is, $w_x = w \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$. Where 'x' is the distance from each end of the beam.



We will use Integration method as it is easier in this case.

We know that $\frac{d(V_x)}{dx} = \text{load}$ and $\frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = V_x$

$$\text{Therefore } \frac{d(V_x)}{dx} = -w \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$d(V_x) = -w \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

Integrating both side we get

$$\int d(V_x) = -w \int \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad \text{or} \quad V_x = + \frac{w \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)}{\frac{\pi}{L}} + A = + \frac{wL}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + A$$

[where, A = constant of Integration]

Again we know that

$$\frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = V_x \quad \text{or} \quad d(M_x) = V_x dx = \left\{ \frac{wL}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + A \right\} dx$$

Integrating both side we get

$$M_x = \frac{\frac{wL}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)}{\frac{\pi}{L}} + Ax + B = \frac{wL^2}{\pi^2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + Ax + B$$

[Where B = constant of Integration]

Now apply boundary conditions

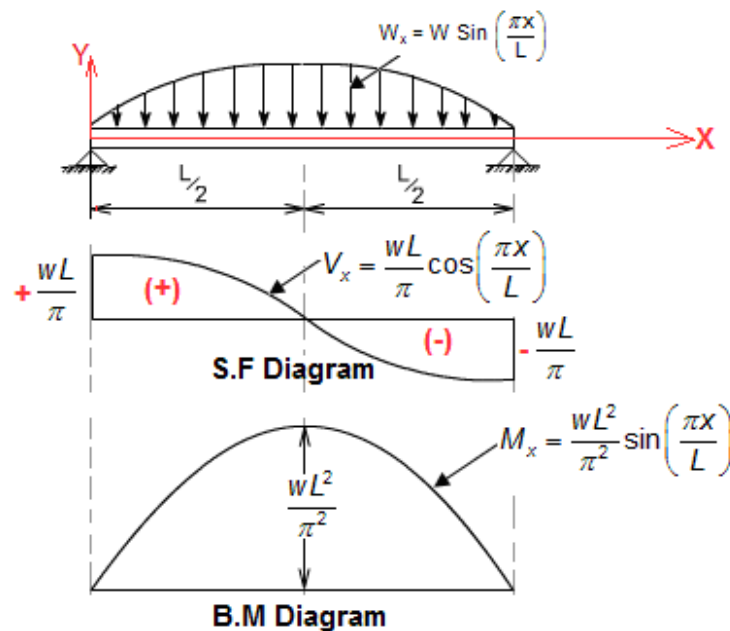
$$\text{At } x = 0, \quad M_x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{at } x = L, \quad M_x = 0$$

This gives $A = 0$ and $B = 0$

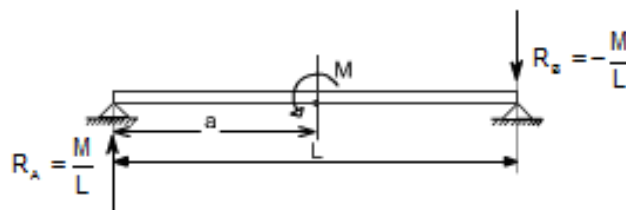
$$\therefore \text{Shear force } (V_x) = \frac{wL}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \quad \text{and} \quad V_{\max} = \frac{wL}{\pi} \text{ at } x = 0$$

$$\text{And } M_x = \frac{wL^2}{\pi^2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\therefore M_{\max} = \frac{wL^2}{\pi^2} \quad \text{at } x = L/2$$



(xvii) A Simply supported beam with a couple or moment at a distance 'a' from left end.



Considering equilibrium we get

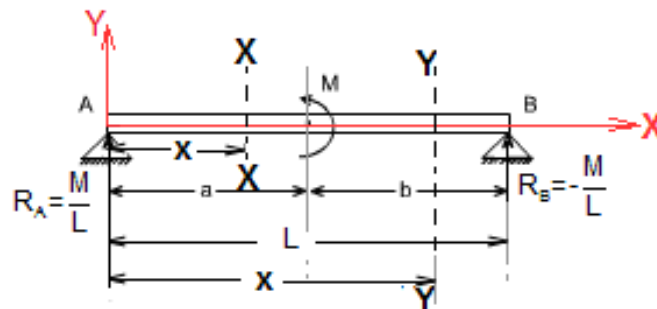
$$\sum M_A = 0 \text{ gives}$$

$$R_B \times L + M = 0 \text{ or } R_B = -\frac{M}{L}$$

$$\text{and } \sum M_B = 0 \text{ gives}$$

$$-R_A \times L + M = 0 \text{ or } R_A = \frac{M}{L}$$

Now consider any cross-section XX which is at a distance 'x' from left end A and another section YY at a distance 'x' from left end A as shown in figure.



In the region $0 < x < a$

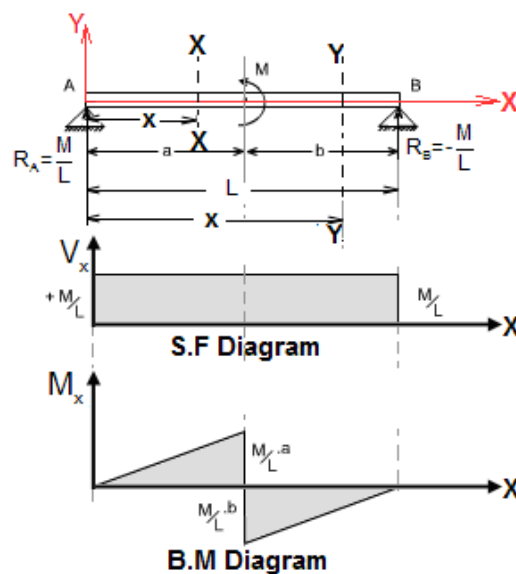
$$\text{Shear force } (V_x) = R_A = \frac{M}{L}$$

$$\text{Bending moment } (M_x) = R_A \cdot x = \frac{M}{L} \cdot x$$

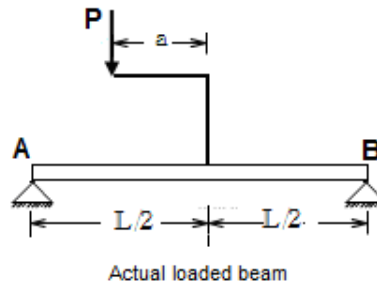
In the region $a < x < L$

$$\text{Shear force } (V_x) = R_A = \frac{M}{L}$$

$$\text{Bending moment } (M_x) = R_A \cdot x - M = \frac{M}{L} \cdot x - M$$



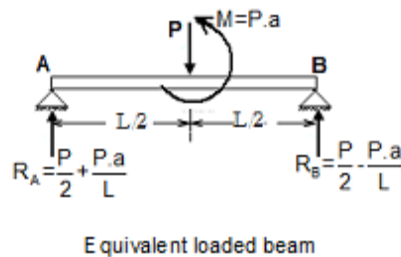
(xviii) A Simply supported beam with an eccentric load



When the beam is subjected to an eccentric load, the eccentric load is to be changed into a couple = Force \times (distance travel by force)

$$= P \cdot a \quad (\text{in this case}) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{a force} = P$$

Therefore equivalent load diagram will be



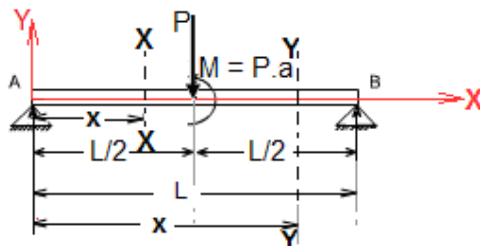
Considering equilibrium

$$\sum M_A = 0 \text{ gives}$$

$$-P \cdot (L/2) + P \cdot a + R_B \cdot L = 0$$

$$\text{or } R_B = \frac{P}{2} - \frac{P \cdot a}{L} \text{ and } R_A + R_B = P \text{ gives } R_A = \frac{P}{2} + \frac{P \cdot a}{L}$$

Now consider any cross-section XX which is at a distance 'x' from left end A and another section YY at a distance 'x' from left end A as shown in figure.



In the region $0 < x < L/2$

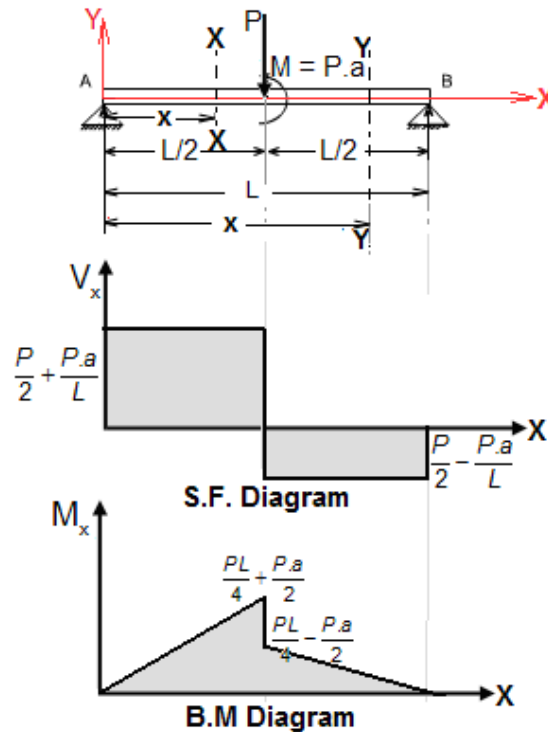
$$\text{Shear force } (V_x) = \frac{P}{2} + \frac{P \cdot a}{L}$$

$$\text{Bending moment } (M_x) = R_A \cdot x = \left(\frac{P}{2} + \frac{P \cdot a}{L} \right) \cdot x$$

In the region $L/2 < x < L$

$$\text{Shear force } (V_x) = \frac{P}{2} + \frac{P \cdot a}{L} - P = -\frac{P}{2} + \frac{P \cdot a}{L}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Bending moment } (V_x) &= R_A \cdot x - P \cdot (x - L/2) - M \\ &= \frac{P \cdot L}{2} - \left(\frac{P}{2} - \frac{P \cdot a}{L} \right) \cdot x - P \cdot a \end{aligned}$$



4.6 Bending Moment diagram of Statically Indeterminate beam

Beams for which reaction forces and internal forces **cannot** be found out from static equilibrium equations alone are called statically indeterminate beam. This type of beam requires deformation equation in addition to static equilibrium equations to solve for unknown forces.

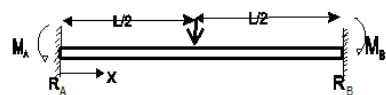
Statically determinate - Equilibrium conditions sufficient to compute reactions.

Statically indeterminate - Deflections (Compatibility conditions) along with equilibrium equations should be used to find out reactions.

Type of Loading & B.M. Diagram

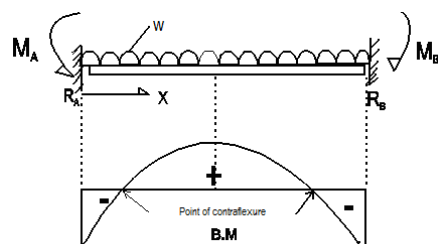
Reaction

Bending Moment



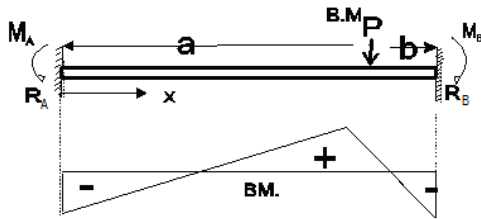
$$R_A = R_B = \frac{P}{2}$$

$$M_A = M_B = -\frac{PL}{8}$$



$$R_A = R_B = \frac{wL}{2}$$

$$M_A = M_B = -\frac{wL^2}{12}$$

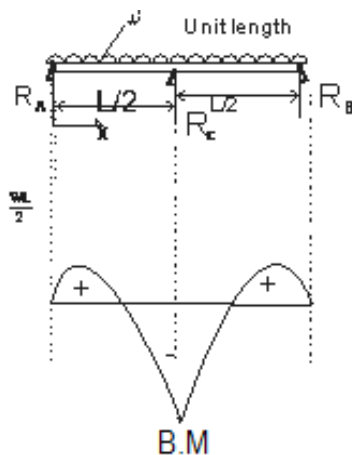
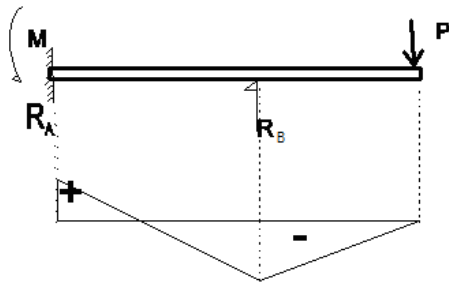


$$R_A = \frac{Pb^2}{L^3}(3a + b)$$

$$M_A = -\frac{Pab^2}{L^2}$$

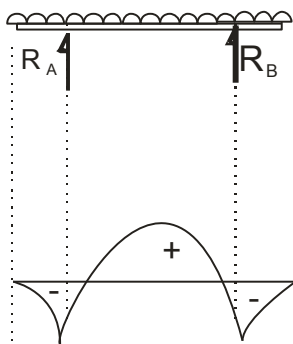
$$R_B = \frac{Pa^2}{L^3}(3b + a)$$

$$M_B = -\frac{Pa^2b}{L^2}$$



$$R_A = R_B = \frac{3wL}{16}$$

$$R_c = \frac{5wL}{8}$$



4.7 Load and Bending Moment diagram from Shear Force diagram OR Load and Shear Force diagram from Bending Moment diagram

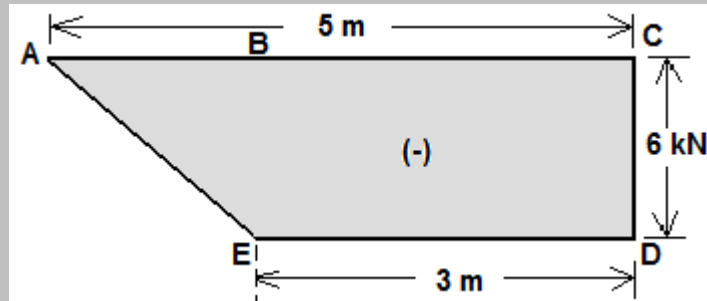
If S.F. Diagram for a beam is given, then

- (i) If S.F. diagram consists of rectangle then the load will be point load
- (ii) If S.F. diagram consists of inclined line then the load will be UDL on that portion
- (iii) If S.F. diagram consists of parabolic curve then the load will be GVL
- (iv) If S.F. diagram consists of cubic curve then the load distribute is parabolic.

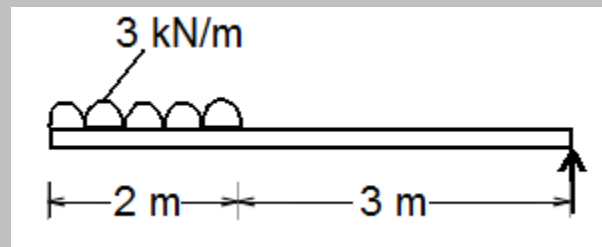
After finding load diagram we can draw B.M. diagram easily.

- (i) If B.M diagram consists of vertical line then a point BM is applied at that point.
- (ii) If B.M diagram consists of inclined line then the load will be free point load
- (iii) If B.M diagram consists of parabolic curve then the load will be U.D.L.
- (iv) If B.M diagram consists of cubic curve then the load will be G.V.L.
- (v) If B.M diagram consists of fourth degree polynomial then the load distribution is parabolic.

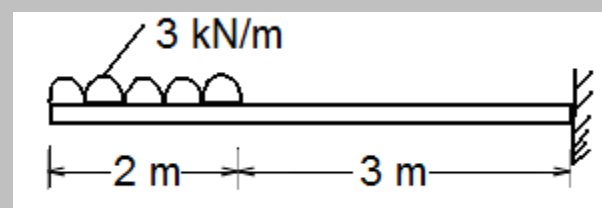
Let us take an example: Following is the S.F diagram of a beam is given. Find its loading diagram.



Answer: From A-E inclined straight line so load will be UDL and in AB = 2 m length load = 6 kN if UDL is w N/m then $w \cdot x = 6$ or $w \times 2 = 6$ or $w = 3$ kN/m after that S.F is constant so no force is there. At last a 6 kN for vertical force complete the diagram then the load diagram will be



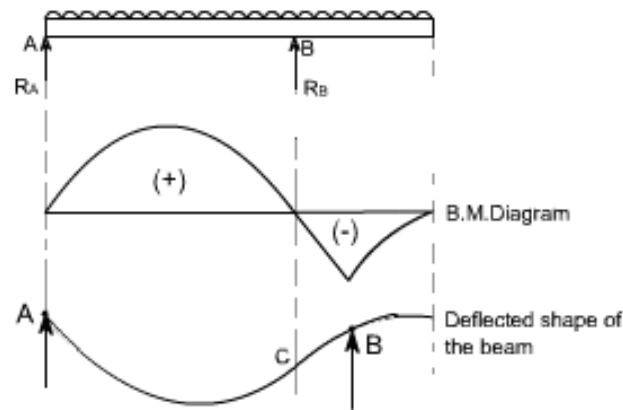
As there is no support at left end it must be a cantilever beam.



4.8 Point of Contraflexure

In a beam if the bending moment changes sign at a point, the point itself having zero bending moment, the beam changes curvature at this point of zero bending moment and this point is called the point of contraflexure.

Consider a loaded beam as shown below along with the B.M diagrams and deflection diagram.



In this diagram we noticed that for the beam loaded as in this case, the bending moment diagram is partly positive and partly negative. In the deflected shape of the beam just below the bending moment diagram shows that left hand side of the beam is 'sagging' while the right hand side of the beam is 'hogging'. The point C on the beam where the curvature changes from sagging to hogging is a point of contraflexure.

- *There can be more than one point of contraflexure in a beam.*

Example: The point of contraflexure is a point where

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- (a) Shear force changes sign
- (b) Bending moment changes sign
- (c) Bending moment is maximum
- (d) None of the above

Answer. (b)

4.9 General expression

- $EI \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} = -w$
- $EI \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = V_x$
- $EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = M_x$
- $\frac{dy}{dx} = \theta = \text{slope}$
- $y = \delta = \text{Deflection}$
- Flexural rigidity = EI

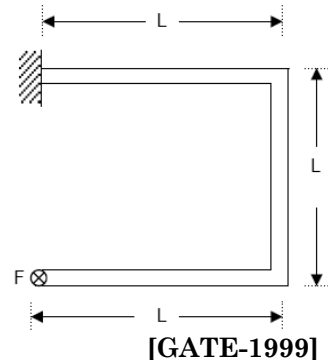
OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Shear Force (S.F.) and Bending Moment (B.M.)

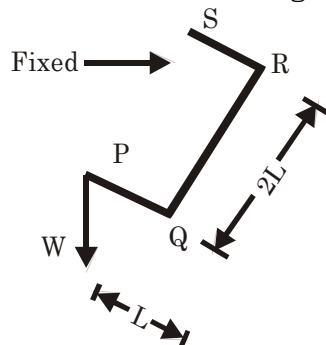
GATE-1. A concentrated force, F is applied (perpendicular to the plane of the figure) on the tip of the bent bar shown in Figure. The equivalent load at a section close to the fixed end is:

- (a) Force F
- (b) Force F and bending moment FL
- (c) Force F and twisting moment FL
- (d) Force F bending moment $F L$, and twisting moment FL



GATE-2. The shear force in a beam subjected to pure positive bending is..... (positive/zero/negative) [GATE-1995]

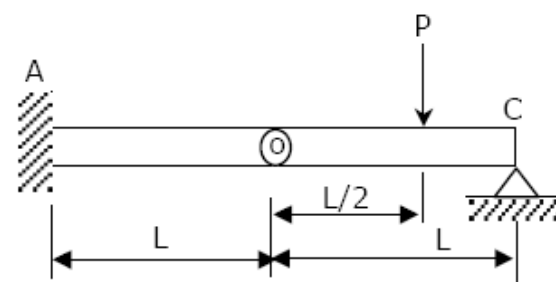
GATE-2(i) For the cantilever bracket, PQRS, loaded as shown in the adjoining figure ($PQ = RS = L$, and $QR = 2L$), which of the following statements is FALSE? [CE: GATE-2011]



- (a) The portion RS has a constant twisting moment with a value of $2WL$
- (b) The portion QR has a varying twisting moment with a maximum value of WL .
- (c) The portion PQ has a varying bending moment with a maximum value of WL
- (d) The portion PQ has no twisting moment

Cantilever

GATE-4. A beam is made up of two identical bars AB and BC, by hinging them together at B. The end A is built-in (cantilevered) and the end C is simply-supported. With the load P acting as shown, the bending moment at A is:



[GATE-2005]

- (a) Zero
- (b) $\frac{PL}{2}$
- (c) $\frac{3PL}{2}$
- (d) Indeterminate

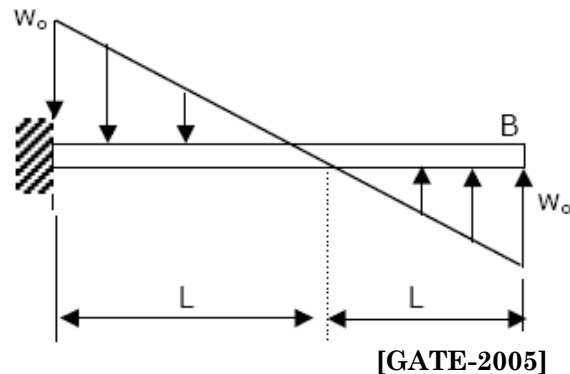
Cantilever with Uniformly Distributed Load


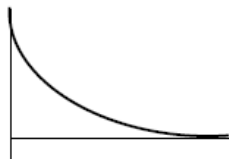
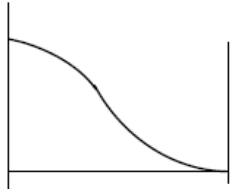
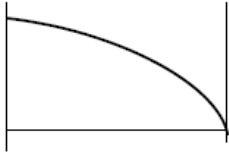
GATE-5. The shapes of the bending moment diagram for a uniform cantilever beam carrying a uniformly distributed load over its length is: [GATE-2001]

- (a) A straight line (b) A hyperbola (c) An ellipse (d) A parabola

Cantilever Carrying load Whose Intensity varies

GATE-6. A cantilever beam carries the anti-symmetric load shown, where w_0 is the peak intensity of the distributed load. Qualitatively, the correct bending moment diagram for this beam is:



- (a) 
- (b) 
- (c) 
- (d) 

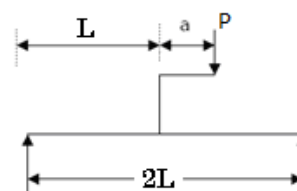
Simply Supported Beam Carrying Concentrated Load

GATE-7. A concentrated load of P acts on a simply supported beam of span L at a distance $\frac{L}{3}$ from the left support. The bending moment at the point of application of the load is given by [GATE-2003]

- (a) $\frac{PL}{3}$ (b) $\frac{2PL}{3}$ (c) $\frac{PL}{9}$ (d) $\frac{2PL}{9}$

GATE-8. A simply supported beam carries a load 'P' through a bracket, as shown in Figure. The maximum bending moment in the beam is

- (a) $PI/2$ (b) $PI/2 + aP/2$
(c) $PI/2 + aP$ (d) $PI/2 - aP$

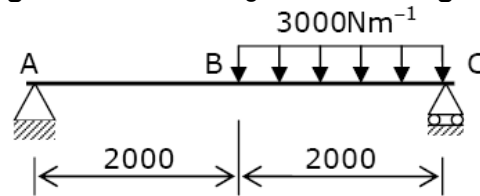


[GATE-2000, ISRO-2015]

Simply Supported Beam Carrying a Uniformly Distributed Load

Statement for Linked Answer and Questions Q9-Q10:

A mass less beam has a loading pattern as shown in the figure. The beam is of rectangular cross-section with a width of 30 mm and height of 100 mm. [GATE-2010]



GATE-9. The maximum bending moment occurs at

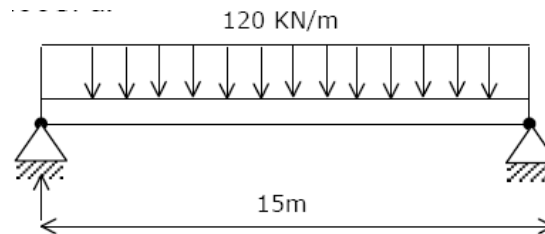
- (a) Location B (b) 2675 mm to the right of A
(c) 2500 mm to the right of A (d) 3225 mm to the right of A

GATE-10. The maximum magnitude of bending stress (in MPa) is given by [ISRO-2015]

- (a) 60.0 (b) 67.5 (c) 200.0 (d) 225.0

Data for Q11-Q12 are given below. Solve the problems and choose correct answers

A steel beam of breadth 120 mm and height 750 mm is loaded as shown in the figure. Assume $E_{\text{steel}} = 200 \text{ GPa}$.



[GATE-2004]

GATE-11. The beam is subjected to a maximum bending moment of

- (a) 3375 kNm (b) 4750 kNm (c) 6750 kNm (d) 8750 kNm

GATE-12. The value of maximum deflection of the beam is:

- (a) 93.75 mm (b) 83.75 mm (c) 73.75 mm (d) 63.75 mm

Statement for Linked Answer and Questions Q13-Q14:

A simply supported beam of span length 6 m and 75 mm diameter carries a uniformly distributed load of 1.5 kN/m [GATE-2006]

GATE-13. What is the maximum value of bending moment?

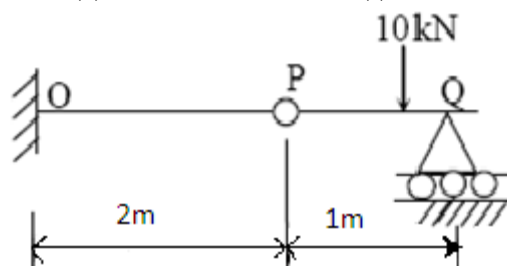
- (a) 9 kNm (b) 13.5 kNm (c) 81 kNm (d) 125 kNm

GATE-14. What is the maximum value of bending stress?

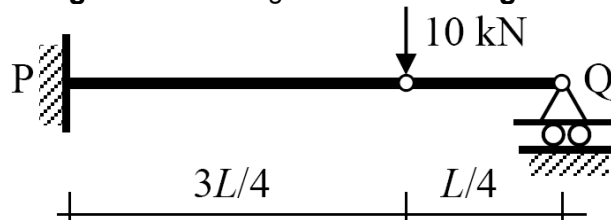
- (a) 162.98 MPa (b) 325.95 MPa (c) 625.95 MPa (d) 651.90 MPa

GATE-15. A cantilever beam OP is connected to another beam PQ with a pin joint as shown in the figure. A load of 10 kN is applied at the mid-point of PQ. The magnitude of bending moment (in kNm) at fixed end O is [GATE-2015]

- (a) 2.5 (b) 5 (c) 10 (d) 25



GATE-15a. A vertical load of 10 kN acts on a hinge located at a distance of $L/4$ from the roller support Q of a beam of length L (see figure).



The vertical reaction at support Q is

[CE: GATE-2018]

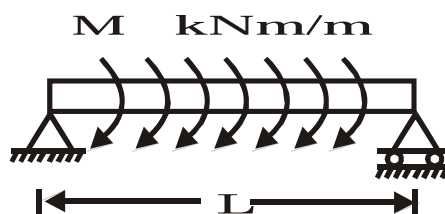
- (a) 0.0 kN (b) 2.5 kN (c) 7.5 kN (d) 10.0 kN

Simply Supported Beam Carrying a Load whose Intensity varies Uniformly from Zero at each End to w per Unit Run at the Mid Span

GATE-16. A simply supported beam of length 'l' is subjected to a symmetrical uniformly varying load with zero intensity at the ends and intensity w (load per unit length) at the mid span. What is the maximum bending moment? [IAS-2004]

- (a) $\frac{3wl^2}{8}$ (b) $\frac{wl^2}{12}$ (c) $\frac{wl^2}{24}$ (d) $\frac{5wl^2}{12}$

GATE-16a. For the simply supported beam of length L , subjected to a uniformly distributed moment M kN-m per unit length as shown in the figure, the bending moment (in kN-m) at the mid-span of the beam is [CE: GATE-2010]



- (a) zero (b) M (c) ML (d) $\frac{M}{L}$

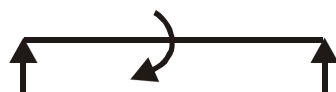
GATE-16b. A simply supported beam of length L is subjected to a varying distributed load $\sin(3\pi x/L)$ Nm^{-1} , where the distance x is measured from the left support. The magnitude of the vertical reaction force in N at the left support is [GATE-2013]

(a) zero (b) $L/3\pi$ (c) L/π (d) $2L/\pi$

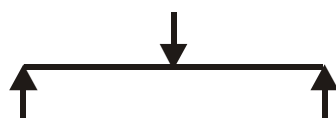
GATE-16c. For a loaded cantilever beam of uniform cross-section, the bending moment (in N.mm) along the length is $M(x) = 5x^2 + 10x$, where x is the distance (in mm) measured from the free end of the beam. The magnitude of shear force (in N) in the cross-section at $x = 10$ mm is [GATE-2017]

GATE-17. List-I shows different loads acting on a beam and List-II shows different bending moment distributions. Match the load with the corresponding bending moment diagram. [CE: GATE-2003]

List-I
A.



B.



List-II
1.



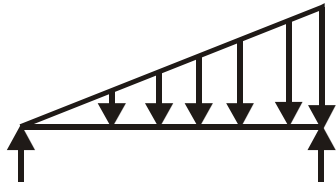
2.



C.



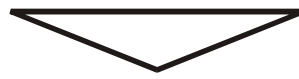
D.



3.



4.



5.



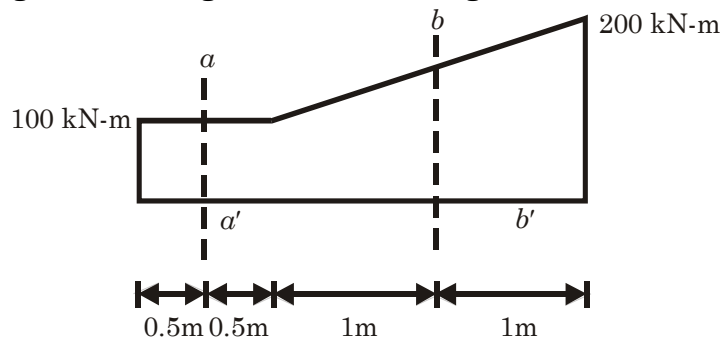
Codes

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(c)	2	5	3	1

	A	B	C	D
(b)	5	4	1	3
(d)	2	4	1	3

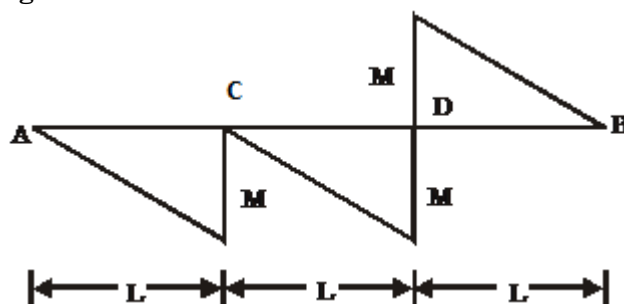
GATE-18. The bending moment diagram for a beam is given below:

[CE: GATE-2005]

The shear force at sections aa' and bb' respectively are of the magnitude.

- (a) 100 kN, 150 kN (b) zero, 100 kN
 (c) zero, 50 kN (d) 100 kN, 100 kN

GATE-19. A simply supported beam AB has the bending moment diagram as shown in the following figure: [CE: GATE-2006]



The beam is possibly under the action of following loads

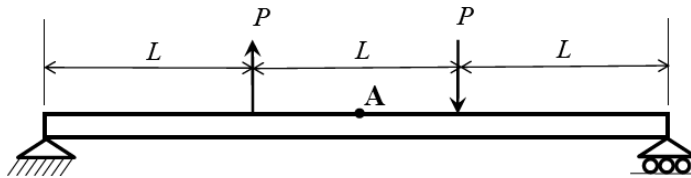
- (a) Couples of M at C and $2M$ at D (b) Couples of $2M$ at C and M at D
 (c) Concentrated loads of $\frac{M}{L}$ at C and $\frac{2M}{L}$ at D
 (d) Concentrated loads of $\frac{M}{L}$ at C and couple of $2M$ at D

Chapter-4

Bending Moment and Shear Force Diagram

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GATE-20. A simply-supported beam of length $3L$ is subjected to the loading shown in the figure.



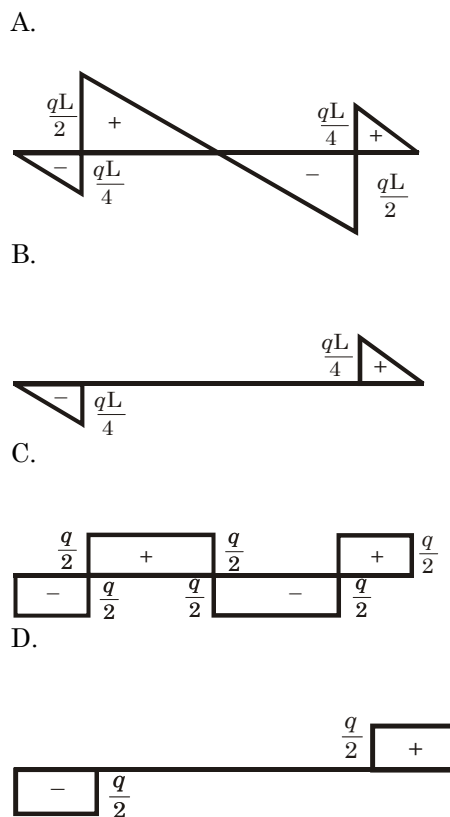
[GATE-2016]

It is given that $P = 1 \text{ N}$, $L = 1 \text{ m}$ and Young's modulus $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$. The cross-section is a square with dimension $10 \text{ mm} \times 10 \text{ mm}$. The bending stress (in Pa) at the point A located at the top surface of the beam at a distance of $1.5 L$ from the left end is _____.
(Indicate compressive stress by a negative sign and tensile stress by a positive sign.)

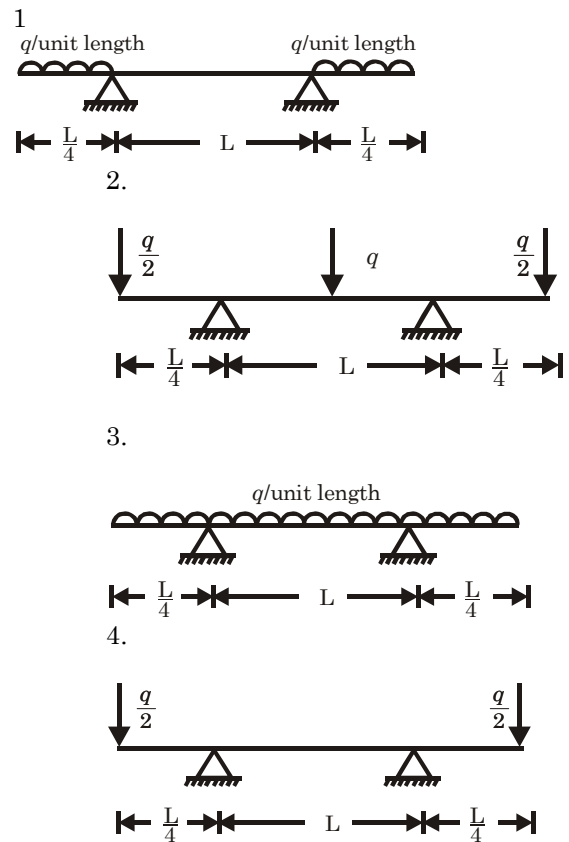
GATE-21. Match List-I (Shear Force Diagrams) beams with List-II (Diagrams of beams with supports and loading) and select the correct answer by using the codes given below the lists:

[CE: GATE-2009]

List-I



List-II

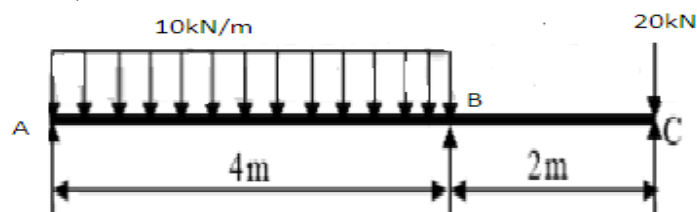


Codes:

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(c)	2	1	4	3	(d)	2	4	3	1

GATE-22. For the overhanging beam shown in figure, the magnitude of maximum bending moment (in kN-m) is ____.

[GATE-2015]

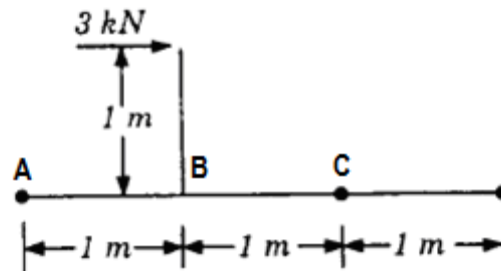


Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Shear Force (S.F.) and Bending Moment (B.M.)

IES-1. A lever is supported on two hinges at A and C. It carries a force of 3 kN as shown in the above figure. The bending moment at B will be

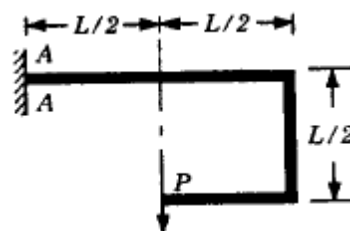
- (a) 3 kN-m (b) 2 kN-m
(c) 1 kN-m (d) Zero



[IES-1998]

IES-2. A beam subjected to a load P is shown in the given figure. The bending moment at the support AA of the beam will be

- (a) PL (b) PL/2
(c) 2PL (d) zero



[IES-1997]

IES-3. The bending moment (M) is constant over a length segment (l) of a beam. The shearing force will also be constant over this length and is given by [IES-1996]

- (a) M/l (b) M/2l (c) M/4l (d) None of the above

IES-4. A rectangular section beam subjected to a bending moment M varying along its length is required to develop same maximum bending stress at any cross-section. If the depth of the section is constant, then its width will vary as [IES-1995]

- (a) M (b) \sqrt{M} (c) M^2 (d) 1/M

IES-5. Consider the following statements:

[IES-1995]

If at a section distant from one of the ends of the beam, M represents the bending moment, V the shear force and w the intensity of loading, then

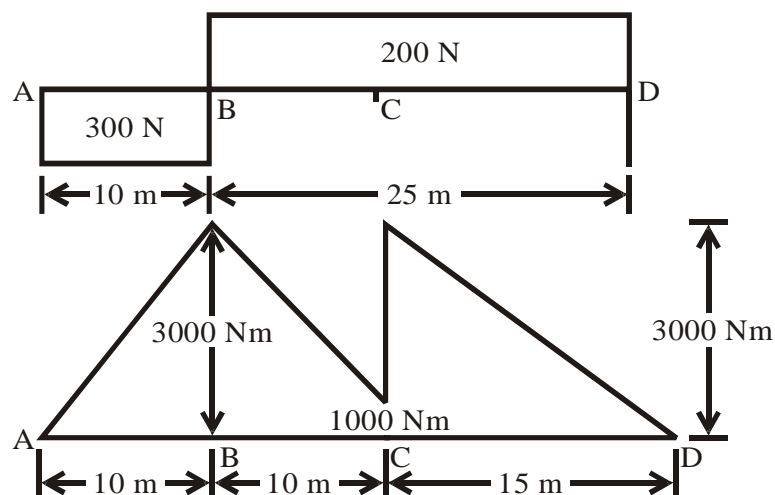
1. $dM/dx = V$
2. $dV/dx = w$
3. $dw/dx = y$ (the deflection of the beam at the section)

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 and 3 (b) 1 and 2 (c) 2 and 3 (d) 1, 2 and 3

IES-5a Shear force and bending moment diagrams for a beam ABCD are shown in figure. It can be concluded that

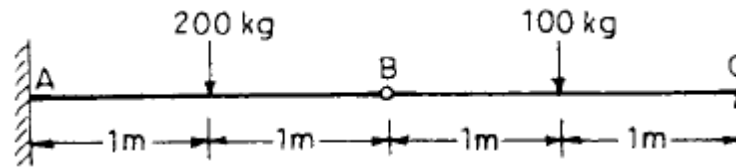
- (a) The beam has three supports
(b) End A is fixed
(c) A couple of 2000 Nm acts at C
(d) A uniformly distributed load is confined to portion BC only



[IES-2010]

Cantilever

- IES-6. The given figure shows a beam BC simply supported at C and hinged at B (free end) of a cantilever AB. The beam and the cantilever carry forces of



100 kg and 200 kg respectively. The bending moment at B is: [IES-1995]
 (a) Zero (b) 100 kg-m (c) 150 kg-m (d) 200 kg-m

- IES-7. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [IES-1993, 2011]

List-I
(Condition of beam)

- A. Subjected to bending moment at the end of a cantilever
 B. Cantilever carrying uniformly distributed load over the whole length
 C. Cantilever carrying linearly varying load from zero at the fixed end to maximum at the support
 D. A beam having load at the centre and supported at the ends

List-II
(Bending moment diagram)

1. Triangle
 2. Cubic parabola
 3. Parabola
 4. Rectangle

Codes:

	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	4	1	2	3	(b)	4	3	2	1
(c)	3	4	2	1	(d)	3	4	1	2

- IES-8. If the shear force acting at every section of a beam is of the same magnitude and of the same direction then it represents a [IES-1996]
 (a) Simply supported beam with a concentrated load at the centre.
 (b) Overhung beam having equal overhang at both supports and carrying equal concentrated loads acting in the same direction at the free ends.
 (c) Cantilever subjected to concentrated load at the free end.
 (d) Simply supported beam having concentrated loads of equal magnitude and in the same direction acting at equal distances from the supports.

Cantilever with Uniformly Distributed Load

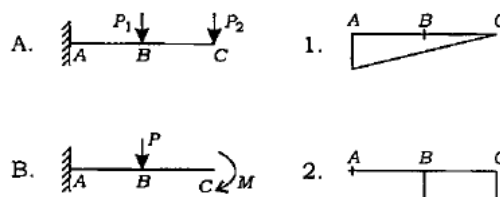
- IES-9. A uniformly distributed load w (in kN/m) is acting over the entire length of a 3 m long cantilever beam. If the shear force at the midpoint of cantilever is 6 kN, what is the value of w ? [IES-2009]

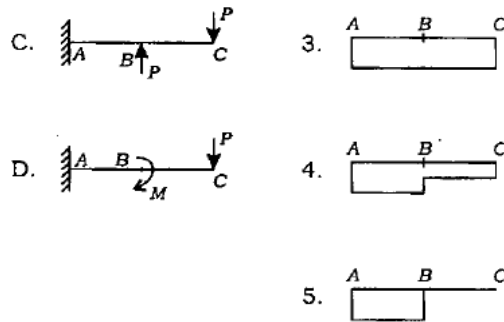
(a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5

- IES-10. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists: [IES-2009]

List-I
(Cantilever Loading)

List-II
(Shear Force Diagram)

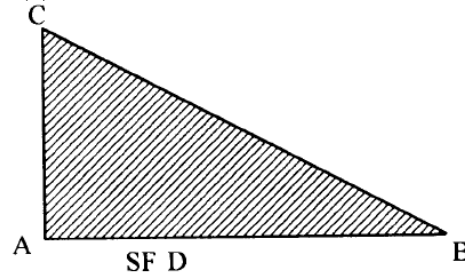




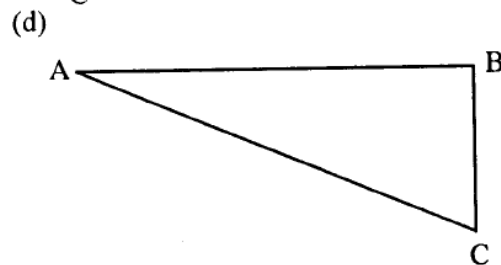
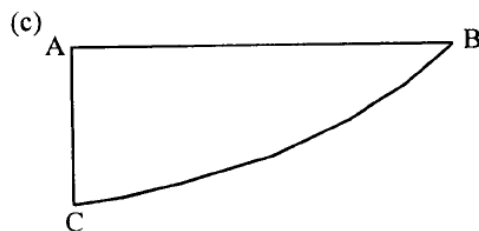
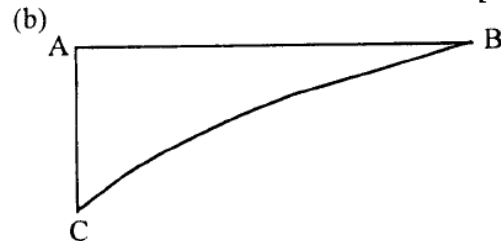
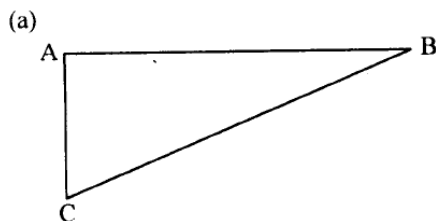
Code:	A	B	C	D
(a)	1	5	2	4
(c)	1	3	4	5

	A	B	C	D
(b)	4	5	2	3
(d)	4	2	5	3

IES-11. The shearing force diagram for a beam is shown in the above figure. The bending moment diagram is represented by which one of the following?



[IES-2008]



IES-12. A cantilever beam having 5 m length is so loaded that it develops a shearing force of 20T and a bending moment of 20 T-m at a section 2m from the free end. Maximum shearing force and maximum bending moment developed in the beam under this load are respectively 50 T and 125 T-m. The load on the beam is: [IES-1995]

- (a) 25 T concentrated load at free end
 (b) 20T concentrated load at free end
 (c) 5T concentrated load at free end and 2 T/m load over entire length
 (d) 10 T/m udl over entire length

Cantilever Carrying Uniformly Distributed Load for a Part of its Length

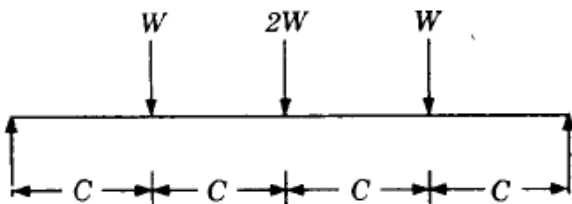
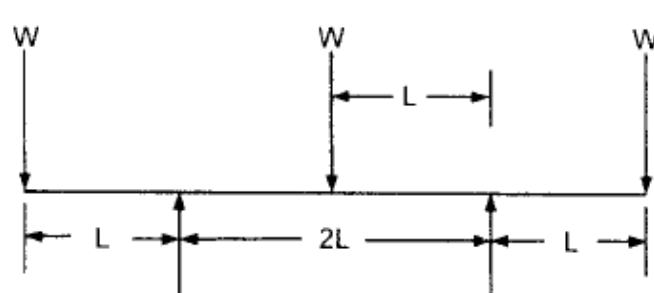
IES-13. A vertical hanging bar of length L and weighing w N/ unit length carries a load W at the bottom. The tensile force in the bar at a distance Y from the support will be given by [IES-1992]

- (a) $W + wL$ (b) $W + w(L - y)$ (c) $(W + w)y / L$ (d) $W + \frac{W}{w}(L - y)$

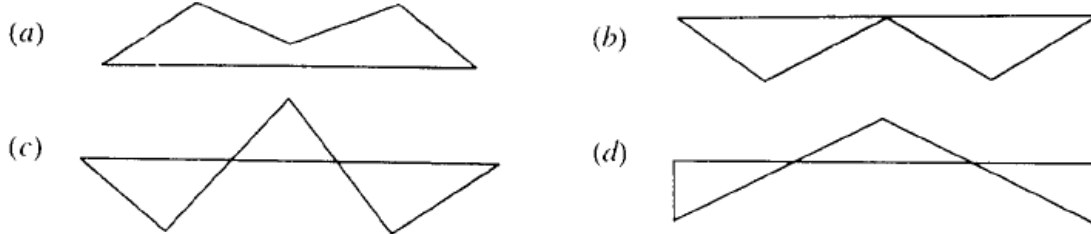
Cantilever Carrying load Whose Intensity varies

- IES-14. A cantilever beam of 2m length supports a triangularly distributed load over its entire length, the maximum of which is at the free end. The total load is 37.5 kN. What is the bending moment at the fixed end? [IES-2007]
 (a) 50×10^6 N mm (b) 12.5×10^6 N mm (c) 100×10^6 N mm (d) 25×10^6 N mm

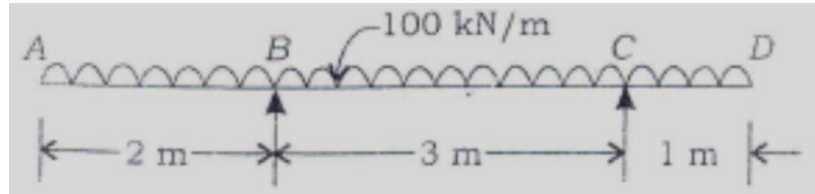
Simply Supported Beam Carrying Concentrated Load

- IES-15. Assertion (A): If the bending moment along the length of a beam is constant, then the beam cross section will not experience any shear stress. [IES-1998]
 Reason (R): The shear force acting on the beam will be zero everywhere along the length.
 (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **NOT** the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true
- IES-16. Assertion (A): If the bending moment diagram is a rectangle, it indicates that the beam is loaded by a uniformly distributed moment all along the length.
 Reason (R): The BMD is a representation of internal forces in the beam and not the moment applied on the beam. [IES-2002]
 (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **NOT** the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true
- IES-17. The maximum bending moment in a simply supported beam of length L loaded by a concentrated load W at the midpoint is given by [IES-1996]
 (a) WL (b) $\frac{WL}{2}$ (c) $\frac{WL}{4}$ (d) $\frac{WL}{8}$
- IES-18. A simply supported beam is loaded as shown in the above figure. The maximum shear force in the beam will be
 (a) Zero (b) W
 (c) $2W$ (d) $4W$
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- IES-19. If a beam is subjected to a constant bending moment along its length, then the shear force will [IES-1998]
 (a) Also have a constant value everywhere along its length
 (b) Be zero at all sections along the beam
 (c) Be maximum at the centre and zero at the ends (d) zero at the centre and maximum at the ends [IES-1997]
- IES-20. A loaded beam is shown in the figure. The bending moment diagram of the beam is best represented as:
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[IES-2000]



- IES-20(i). A beam ABCD 6 m long is supported at B and C, 3 m apart with overhangs AB = 2 m and CD = 1 m. It carries a uniformly distributed load of 100 kN/m over its entire length: [IES-2015]



The maximum magnitudes of bending moment and shear force are

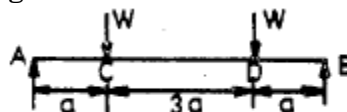
- (a) 200 kN-m and 250 kN (b) 200 kN-m and 200 kN
(c) 50 kN-m and 200 kN (d) 50 kN-m and 250 kN
- IES-21. A simply supported beam has equal over-hanging lengths and carries equal concentrated loads P at ends. Bending moment over the length between the supports [IES-2003]

- (a) Is zero (b) Is a non-zero constant
(c) Varies uniformly from one support to the other (d) Is maximum at mid-span

- IES-21(i). A beam simply supported at equal distance from the ends carries equal loads at each end. Which of the following statements is true? [IES-2013]

- (a) The bending moment is minimum at the mid-span
(b) The bending moment is minimum at the support
(c) The bending moment varies gradually between the supports
(d) The bending moment is uniform between the supports

- IES-22. The bending moment diagram for the case shown below will be q as shown in

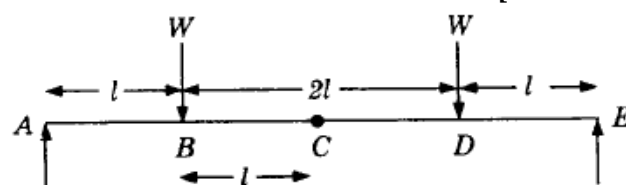


- (a) (b)
(c) (d)

[IES-1992]

- IES-23. Which one of the following portions of the loaded beam shown in the given figure is subjected to pure bending?

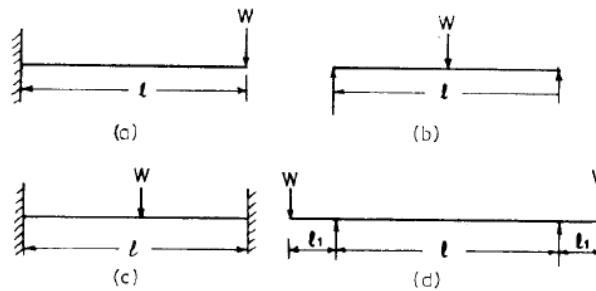
- (a) AB (b) DE
(c) AE (d) BD



[IES-1999]

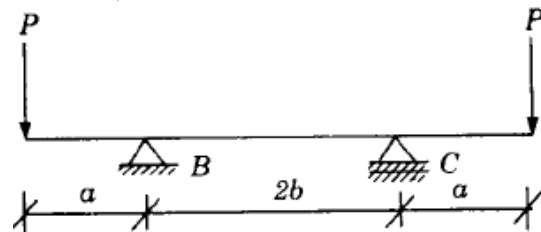
IES-24. Constant bending moment over span " l " will occur in

[IES-1995]



IES-25. For the beam shown in the above figure, the elastic curve between the supports B and C will be:

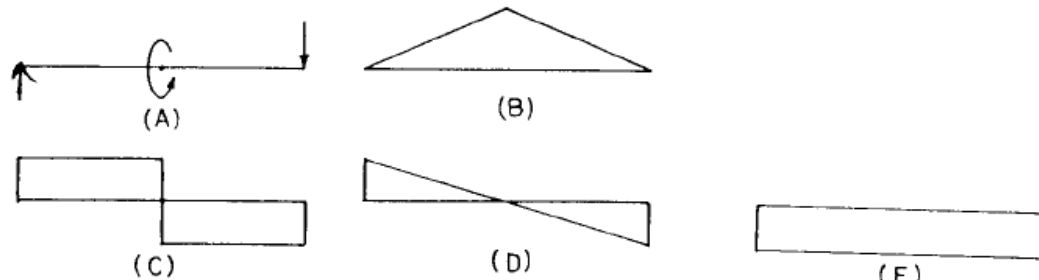
- (a) Circular (b) Parabolic
(c) Elliptic (d) A straight line



[IES-1998]

IES-26. A beam is simply supported at its ends and is loaded by a couple at its mid-span as shown in figure A. Shear force diagram for the beam is given by the figure.

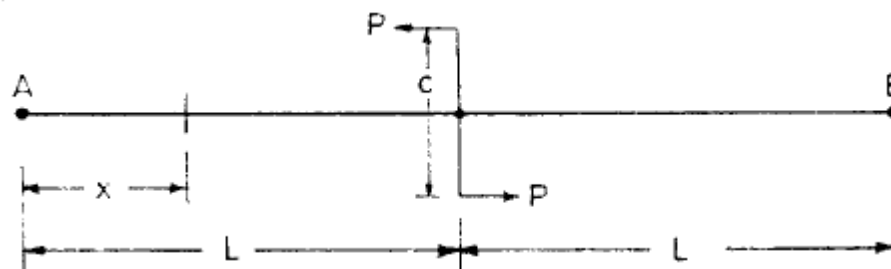
[IES-1994]



- (a) B (b) C (c) D (d) E

IES-27. A beam AB is hinged-supported at its ends and is loaded by couple $P.c$ as shown in the given figure. The magnitude of shearing force at a section x of the beam is:

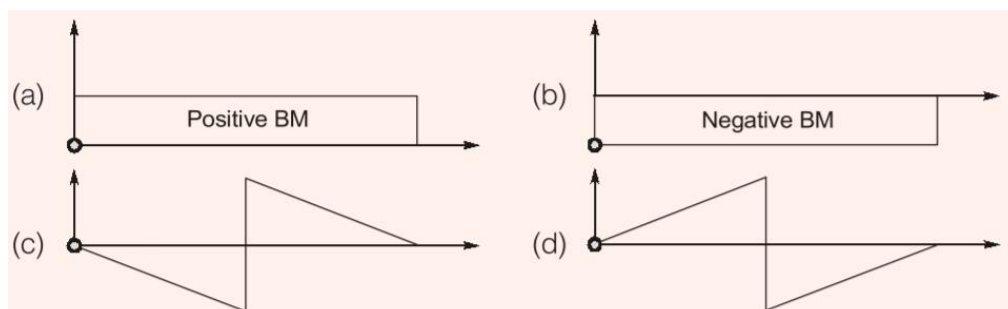
[IES-1993]



- (a) 0 (b) P (c) $P/2L$ (d) $P.c./2L$

IES-27a. Which one of the following is the correct bending moment diagram for a beam which is hinged at the ends and is subjected to a clockwise couple acting at the mid-span?

[IES-2018]



Simply Supported Beam Carrying a Uniformly Distributed Load

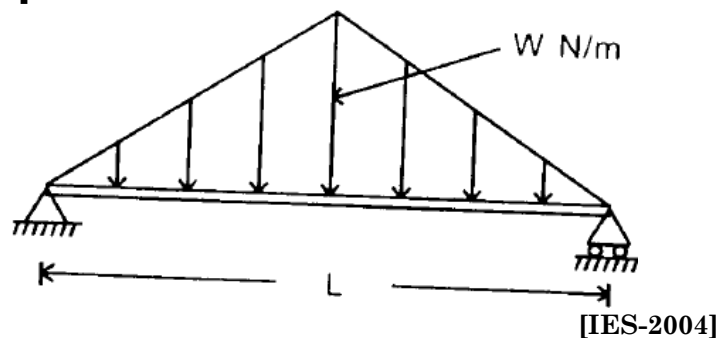
IES-28. A freely supported beam at its ends carries a central concentrated load, and maximum bending moment is M . If the same load be uniformly distributed over the beam length, then what is the maximum bending moment? [IES-2009]

- (a) M (b) $\frac{M}{2}$ (c) $\frac{M}{3}$ (d) $2M$

Simply Supported Beam Carrying a Load whose Intensity varies uniformly from Zero at each End to w per Unit Run at the Mid Span

IES-29. A simply supported beam is subjected to a distributed loading as shown in the diagram given below: What is the maximum shear force in the beam?

- (a) $WL/3$ (b) $WL/2$
(c) $2WL/3$ (d) $WL/4$



Simply Supported Beam carrying a Load whose Intensity varies

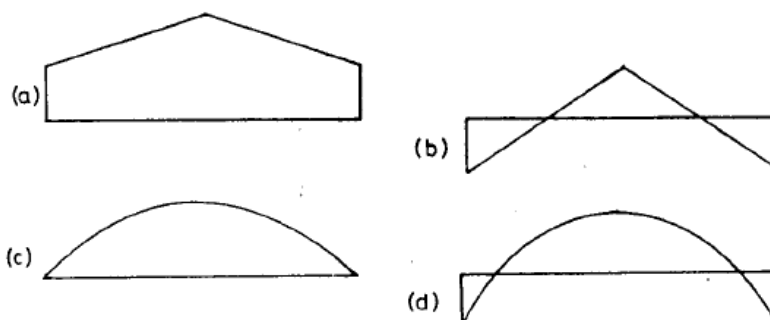
IES-30. A beam having uniform cross-section carries a uniformly distributed load of intensity q per unit length over its entire span, and its mid-span deflection is δ .

The value of mid-span deflection of the same beam when the same load is distributed with intensity varying from $2q$ unit length at one end to zero at the other end is: [IES-1995]

- (a) $\frac{1}{3} \delta$ (b) $\frac{1}{2} \delta$ (c) $\frac{2}{3} \delta$ (d) δ

Simply Supported Beam with Equal Overhangs and carrying a Uniformly Distributed Load

IES-31. A beam, built-in at both ends, carries a uniformly distributed load over its entire span as shown in figure-I. Which one of the diagrams given below, represents bending moment distribution along the length of the beam? [IES-1996]



The Points of Contraflexure

IES-32. The point of contraflexure is a point where: [IES-2005]

- (a) Shear force changes sign (b) Bending moment changes sign
(c) Shear force is maximum (d) Bending moment is maximum

IES-33. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IES-2000]

List-I

- A. Bending moment is constant
B. Bending moment is maximum or minimum
C. Bending moment is zero over the portion of the beam
D. Loading is constant over the portion of the beam

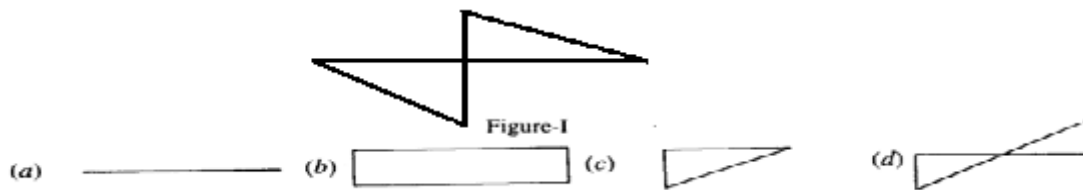
List-II

1. Point of contraflexure
2. Shear force changes sign
3. Slope of shear force diagram is
4. Shear force is zero over the

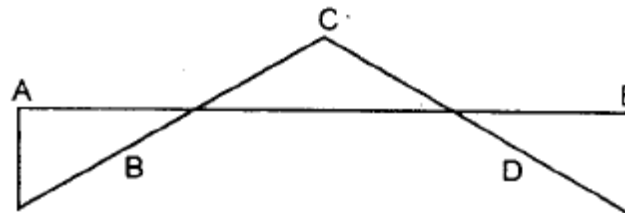
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Loading and B.M. diagram from S.F. Diagram

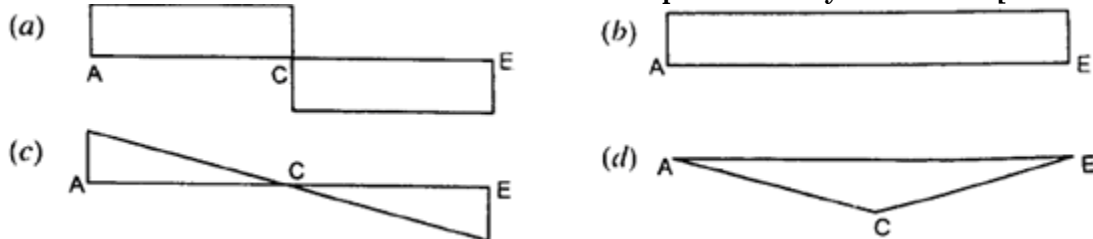
IES-34. The bending moment diagram shown in Fig. I correspond to the shear force diagram in [IES-1999]



IES-35. Bending moment distribution in a built beam is shown in the given



The shear force distribution in the beam is represented by [IES-2001]



IES-36. The given figure shows the shear force diagram for the beam ABCD.

Bending moment in the portion BC of the beam

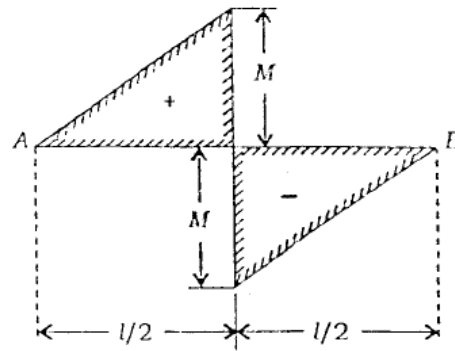


[IES-1996]

- (a) Is a non-zero constant (b) Is zero
(c) Varies linearly from B to C (d) Varies parabolically from B to C

IES-37. Figure shown above represents the BM diagram for a simply supported beam. The beam is subjected to which one of the following?

- A concentrated load at its mid-length
- A uniformly distributed load over its length
- A couple at its mid-length
- Couple at $1/4$ of the span from each end

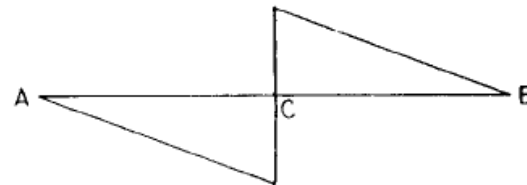


[IES-2006]

IES-38. If the bending moment diagram for a simply supported beam is of the form given below.

Then the load acting on the beam is:

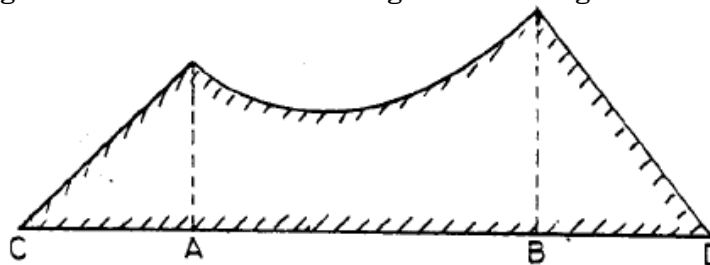
- A concentrated force at C
- A uniformly distributed load over the whole length of the beam
- Equal and opposite moments applied at A and B
- A moment applied at C



B.M. Diagram

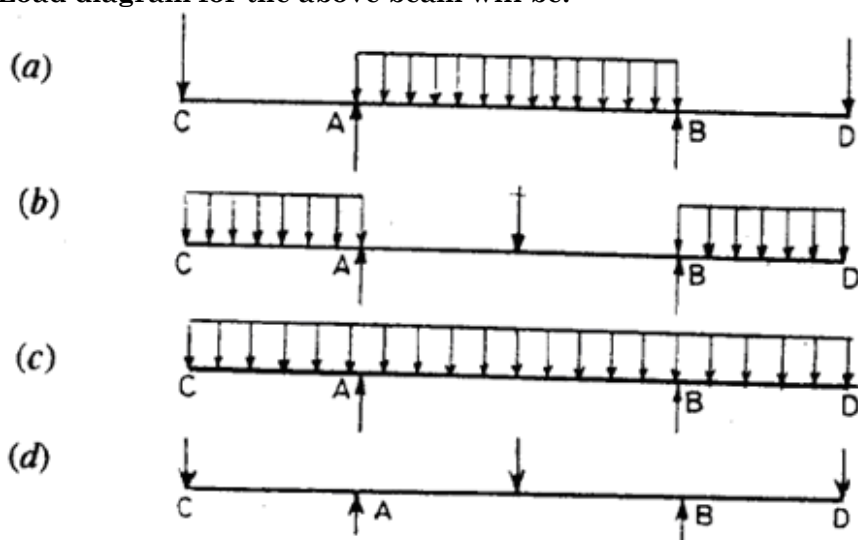
[IES-1994]

IES-39. The figure given below shows a bending moment diagram for the beam CABD:



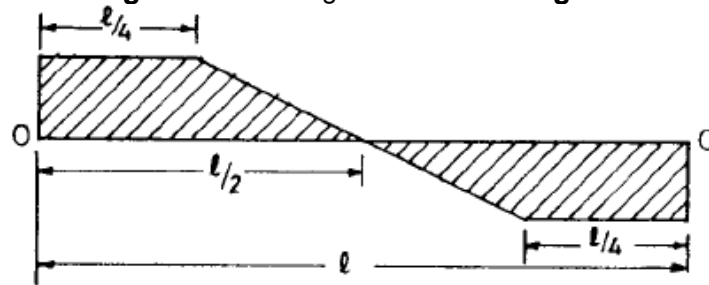
Load diagram for the above beam will be:

[IES-1993]

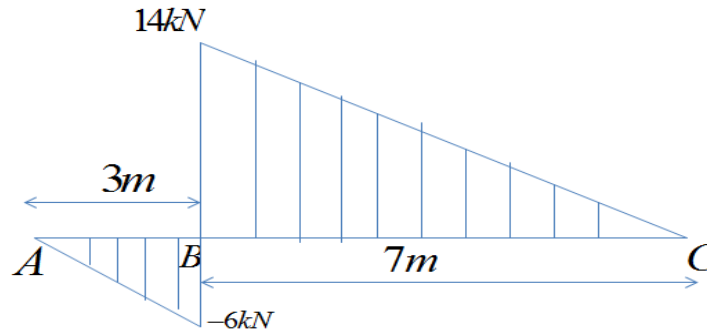


IES-40. The shear force diagram shown in the following figure is that of a [IES-1994]

- Freely supported beam with symmetrical point load about mid-span.
- Freely supported beam with symmetrical uniformly distributed load about mid-span
- Simply supported beam with positive and negative point loads symmetrical about the mid-span
- Simply supported beam with symmetrical varying load about mid-span



IES-40(i). A part of shear force diagram of the beam is shown in the figure

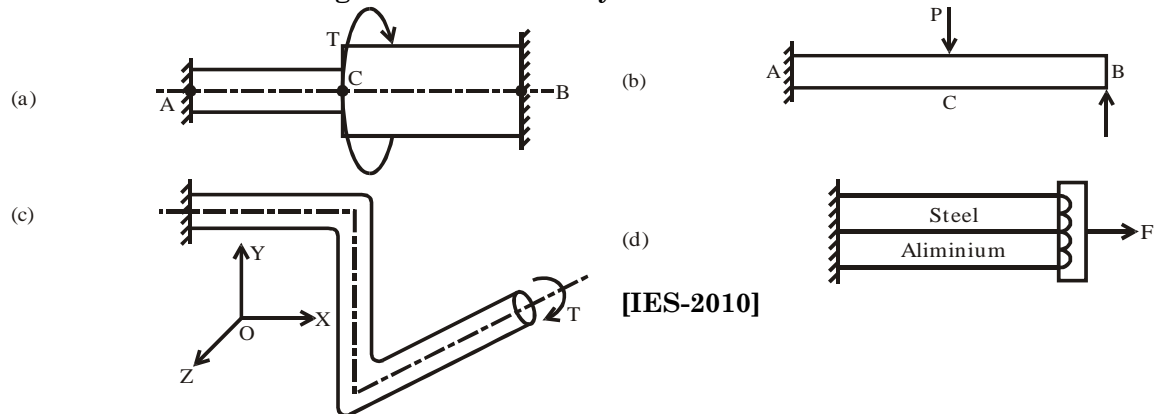


If the bending moment at B is -9 kN , then bending moment at C is [IES-2014]

- (a) 40 kN (b) 58 kN (c) 116 kN (d) -80 kN

Statically Indeterminate beam

IES-41 Which one of the following is *NOT* a statically indeterminate structure?



[IES-2010]

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Shear Force (S.F.) and Bending Moment (B.M.)

IAS-1. Assertion (A): A beam subjected only to end moments will be free from shearing force. [IAS-2004]

Reason (R): The bending moment variation along the beam length is zero.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **NOT** the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IAS-2. Assertion (A): The change in bending moment between two cross-sections of a beam is equal to the area of the shearing force diagram between the two sections. [IAS-1998]

Reason (R): The change in the shearing force between two cross-sections of beam due to distributed loading is equal to the area of the load intensity diagram between the two sections.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **NOT** the correct explanation of A

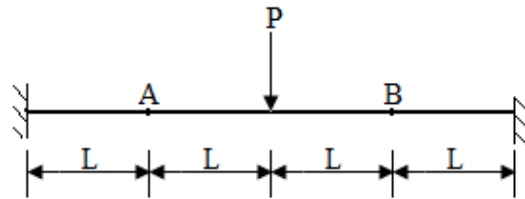
- (c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

IAS-3. The ratio of the area under the bending moment diagram to the flexural rigidity between any two points along a beam gives the change in [IAS-1998]
(a) Deflection (b) Slope (c) Shear force (d) Bending moment

Cantilever

IAS-4. A beam AB of length $2L$ having a concentrated load P at its mid-span is hinge supported at its two ends A and B on two identical cantilevers as shown in the given figure. The correct value of bending moment at A is

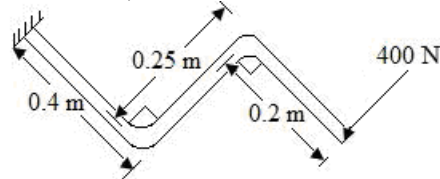
- (a) Zero (b) $PL/2$
(c) PL (d) $2PL$



[IAS-1995]

IAS-5. A load perpendicular to the plane of the handle is applied at the free end as shown in the given figure. The values of Shear Forces (S.F.), Bending Moment (B.M.) and torque at the fixed end of the handle have been determined respectively as 400 N, 340 Nm and 100 by a student. Among these values, those of [IAS-1999]

- (a) S.F., B.M. and torque are correct
(b) S.F. and B.M. are correct
(c) B.M. and torque are correct
(d) S.F. and torque are correct

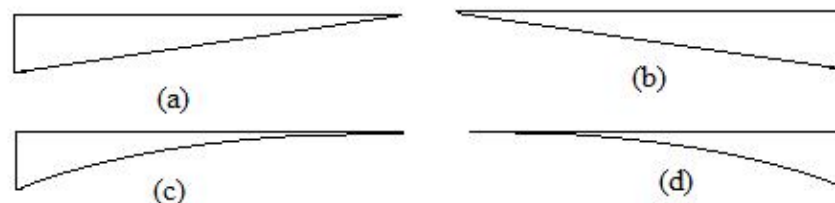
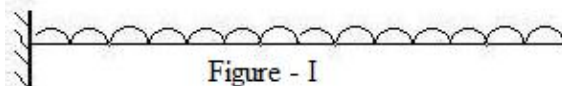


Cantilever with Uniformly Distributed Load

IAS-6. If the SF diagram for a beam is a triangle with length of the beam as its base, the beam is: [IAS-2007]

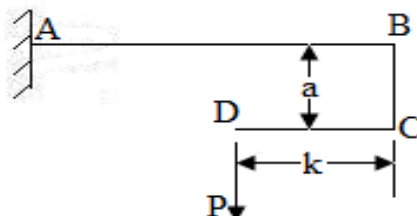
- (a) A cantilever with a concentrated load at its free end
(b) A cantilever with udl over its whole span
(c) Simply supported with a concentrated load at its mid-point
(d) Simply supported with a udl over its whole span

IAS-7. A cantilever carrying a uniformly distributed load is shown in Fig. I. Select the correct B.M. diagram of the cantilever. [IAS-1999]



IAS-8. A structural member ABCD is loaded as shown in the given figure. The shearing force at any section on the length BC of the member is:

- (a) Zero (b) P
(c) Pa/k (d) Pk/a

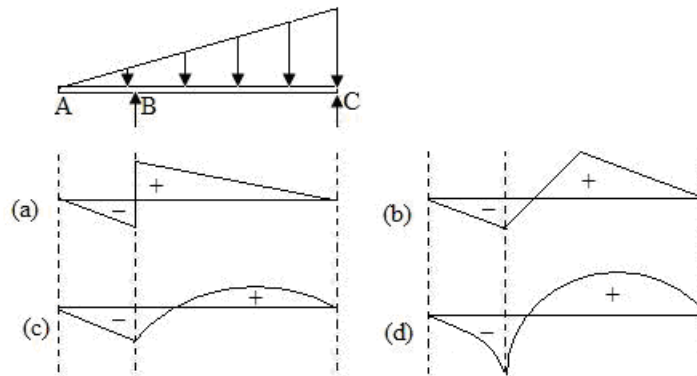


[IAS-1996]

Cantilever Carrying load Whose Intensity varies

IAS-9. The beam is loaded as shown in Fig. I. Select the correct B.M. diagram

[IAS-1999]



Simply Supported Beam Carrying Concentrated Load

IAS-10. Assertion (A): In a simply supported beam carrying a concentrated load at mid-span, both the shear force and bending moment diagrams are triangular in nature without any change in sign. [IAS-1999]

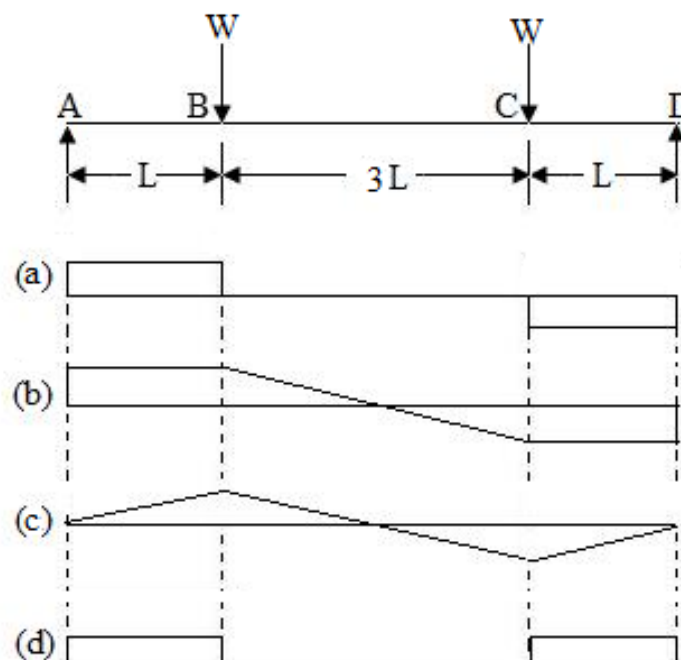
Reason (R): When the shear force at any section of a beam is either zero or changes sign, the bending moment at that section is maximum.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true

IAS-11. For the shear force to be uniform throughout the span of a simply supported beam, it should carry which one of the following loadings? [IAS-2007]

- (a) A concentrated load at mid-span
- (b) Udl over the entire span
- (c) A couple anywhere within its span
- (d) Two concentrated loads equal in magnitude and placed at equal distance from each support

IAS-12. Which one of the following figures represents the correct shear force diagram for the loaded beam shown in the given figure I? [IAS-1998; IAS-1995]



Simply Supported Beam Carrying a Uniformly Distributed Load

IAS-13. For a simply supported beam of length l subjected to downward load of uniform intensity w , match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IAS-1997]

List-I

List-II

A. Slope of shear force diagram

1. $\frac{5wl^4}{384EI}$

B. Maximum shear force

2. w

C. Maximum deflection

3. $\frac{wl^4}{8}$

D. Magnitude of maximum bending moment

4. $\frac{wl}{2}$

Codes:

A

B

C

D

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D

(a)

1

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(b)

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(c)

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(d)

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Simply Supported Beam Carrying a Load whose Intensity varies Uniformly from Zero at each End to w per Unit Run at the Mid Span

IAS-14. A simply supported beam of length l is subjected to a symmetrical uniformly varying load with zero intensity at the ends and intensity w (load per unit length) at the mid span. What is the maximum bending moment? [IAS-2004]

(a) $\frac{3wl^2}{8}$

(b) $\frac{wl^2}{12}$

(c) $\frac{wl^2}{24}$

(d) $\frac{5wl^2}{12}$

Simply Supported Beam carrying a Load whose Intensity varies

IAS-15. A simply supported beam of span l is subjected to a uniformly varying load having zero intensity at the left support and w N/m at the right support. The reaction at the right support is: [IAS-2003]

(a) $\frac{wl}{2}$

(b) $\frac{wl}{5}$

(c) $\frac{wl}{4}$

(d) $\frac{wl}{3}$

Simply Supported Beam with Equal Overhangs and carrying a Uniformly Distributed Load

IAS-16. Consider the following statements for a simply supported beam subjected to a couple at its mid-span: [IAS-2004]

1. Bending moment is zero at the ends and maximum at the centre
2. Bending moment is constant over the entire length of the beam
3. Shear force is constant over the entire length of the beam
4. Shear force is zero over the entire length of the beam

Which of the statements given above are correct?

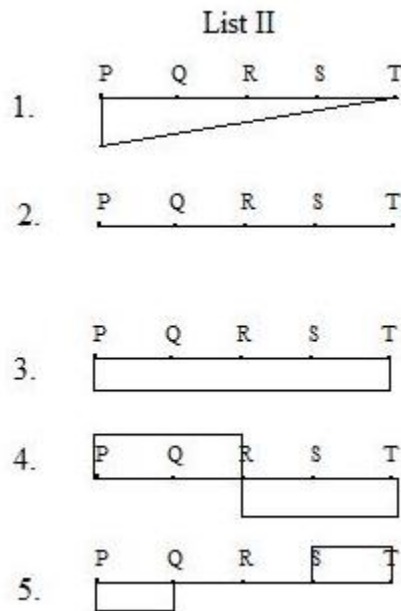
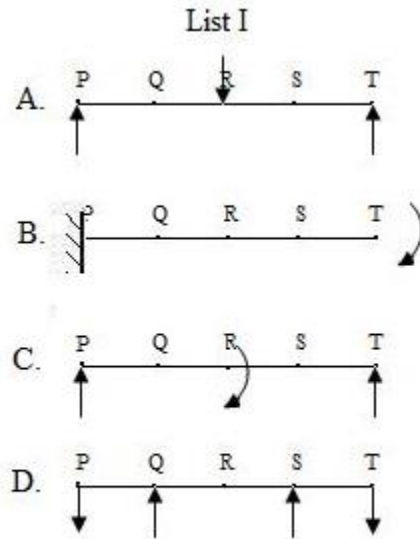
(a) 1, 3 and 4

(b) 2, 3 and 4

(c) 1 and 3

(d) 2 and 4

IAS-17. Match List-I (Beams) with List-II (Shear force diagrams) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IAS-2001]



Codes:	A	B	C	D
(a)	4	2	5	3
(c)	1	4	3	5

	A	B	C	D
(b)	1	4	5	3
(d)	4	2	3	5

The Points of Contraflexure

IAS-18. A point, along the length of a beam subjected to loads, where bending moment changes its sign, is known as the point of [IAS-1996]

- (a) Inflexion (b) Maximum stress (c) Zero shear force (d) Contra flexure

IAS-19. Assertion (A): In a loaded beam, if the shear force diagram is a straight line parallel to the beam axis, then the bending moment is a straight line inclined to the beam axis. [IAS 1994]

Reason (R): When shear force at any section of a beam is zero or changes sign, the bending moment at that section is maximum.

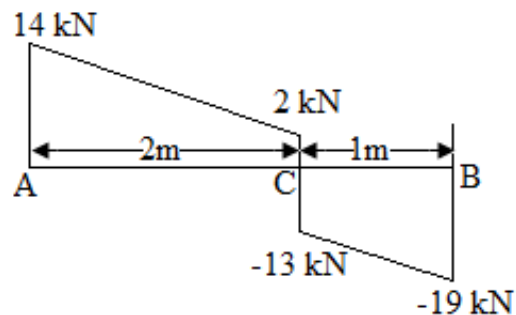
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Loading and B.M. diagram from S.F. Diagram

IAS-20. The shear force diagram of a loaded beam is shown in the following figure:

The maximum Bending Moment of the beam is:

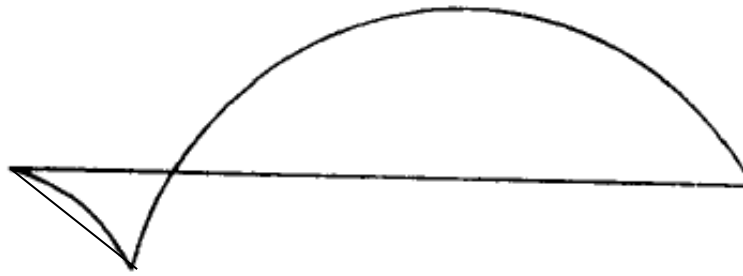
- (a) 16 kN-m (b) 11 kN-m
 (c) 28 kN-m (d) 8 kN-m



[IAS-1997]

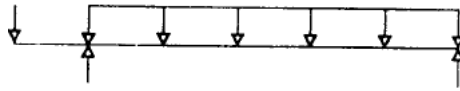
IAS-21. The bending moment for a loaded beam is shown below:

[IAS-2003]

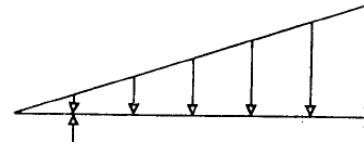


The loading on the beam is represented by which one of the followings diagrams?

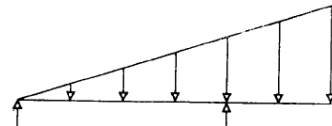
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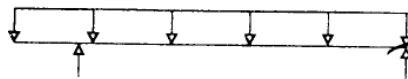
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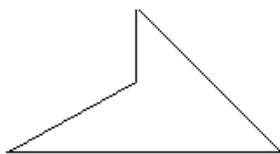
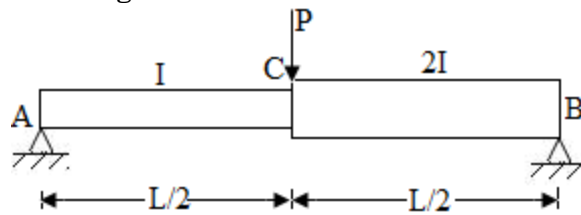
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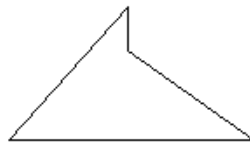
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IAS-22. Which one of the given bending moment diagrams correctly represents that of the loaded beam shown in figure? [IAS-1997]



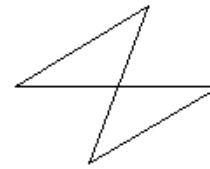
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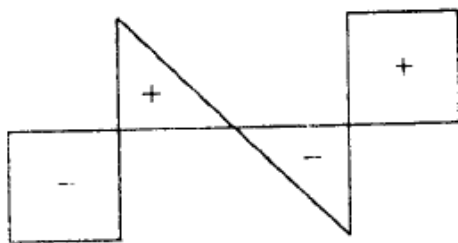


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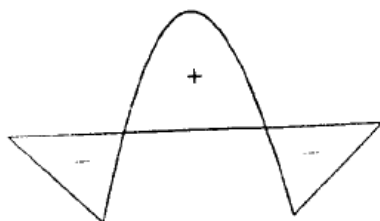
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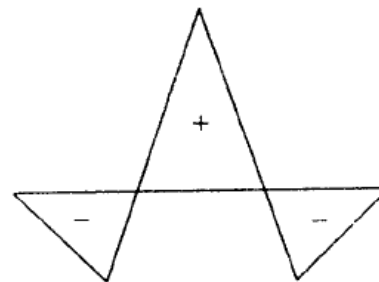
The shear force diagram is shown above for a loaded beam. The corresponding bending moment diagram is represented by

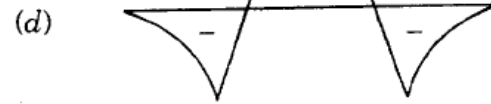
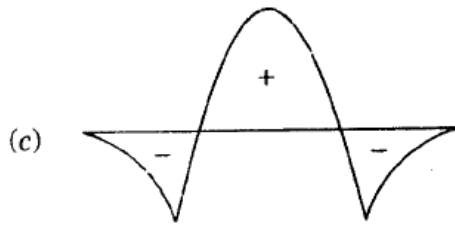
[IAS-2003]

(a)



(b)





IAS-24. The bending moment diagram for a simply supported beam is a rectangle over a larger portion of the span except near the supports. What type of load does the beam carry? [IAS-2007]

- (a) A uniformly distributed symmetrical load over a larger portion of the span except near the supports
- (b) A concentrated load at mid-span
- (c) Two identical concentrated loads equidistant from the supports and close to mid-point of the beam
- (d) Two identical concentrated loads equidistant from the mid-span and close to supports

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

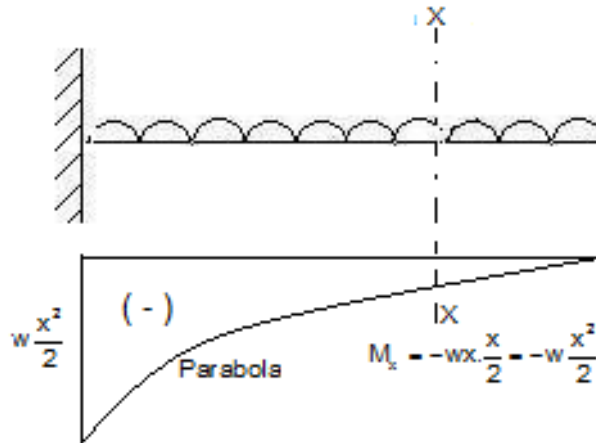
GATE-1. Ans. (c)

GATE-2. Ans. Zero

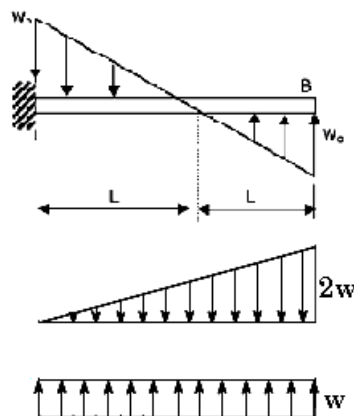
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GATE-4. Ans. (b)

GATE-5. Ans. (d)



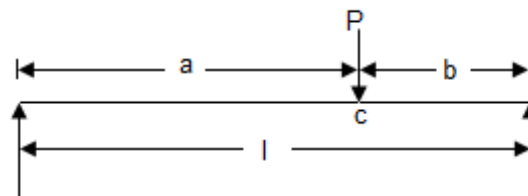
GATE-6. Ans. (c)



$$M_x = \frac{wx^2}{2} - \frac{wx^3}{6L}$$

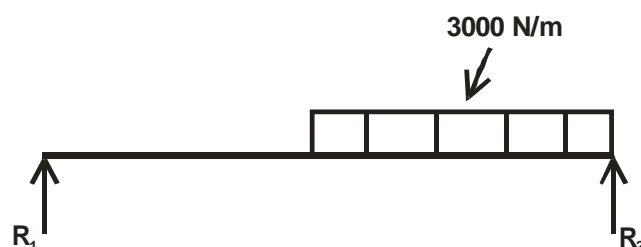
GATE-7. Ans. (d)

$$M_c = \frac{Pab}{l} = \frac{P \times \left(\frac{L}{3}\right) \times \left(\frac{2L}{3}\right)}{L} = \frac{2PL}{9}$$



GATE-8. Ans. (b)

GATE-9. Ans. (c)



$$R_1 + R_2 = 3000 \times 2 = 6000 \text{ N}$$

$$R_1 \times 4 - 3000 \times 2 \times 1 = 0$$

$$R_1 = 1500,$$

S.F. eqⁿ. at any section x from end A.

$$R_1 - 3000 \times (x - 2) = 0 \quad \{\text{for } x > 2\text{m}\}$$

$$x = 2.5 \text{ m.}$$

GATE-10. Ans. (b)

Bending stress will be maximum at the outer surface

So taking $y = 50 \text{ mm}$

$$\text{and } I = \frac{ld^3}{12} \quad \& \quad \sigma = \frac{m \times 50}{I d^3 / 12}$$

$$m_x = 1.5 \times 10^3 [2000 + x] - \frac{x^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore m_{2500} = 3.375 \times 10^6 \text{ N-mm}$$

$$\therefore \sigma = \frac{3.375 \times 10^6 \times 50 \times 12}{30 \times 100^3} = 67.5 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-11. Ans. (a) $M_{\max} = \frac{wl^2}{8} = \frac{120 \times 15^2}{8} \text{ kNm} = 3375 \text{ kNm}$

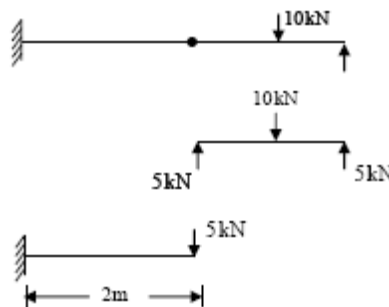
GATE-12. Ans. (a) Moment of inertia (I) = $\frac{bh^3}{12} = \frac{0.12 \times (0.75)^3}{12} = 4.22 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^4$

$$\delta_{\max} = \frac{5}{384} \frac{wl^4}{EI} = \frac{5}{384} \times \frac{120 \times 10^3 \times 15^4}{200 \times 10^9 \times 4.22 \times 10^{-3}} \text{ m} = 93.75 \text{ mm}$$

GATE-13. Ans. (a) $M_{\max} = \frac{wl^2}{8} = \frac{1.5 \times 6^2}{8} = 6.75 \text{ kNm}$ But not in choice. Nearest choice (a)

GATE-14. Ans. (a) $\sigma = \frac{32M}{\pi d^3} = \frac{32 \times 6.75 \times 10^3}{\pi \times (0.075)^2} \text{ Pa} = 162.98 \text{ MPa}$

GATE-15. Ans. (c)



$$M = 5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ kN}$$

GATE-15a. Ans. (a) In the simply supported part no force et all.

GATE-16. Ans. (b)

GATE-16a. Ans. (a)

Let the reaction at the right hand support be V_R upwards. Taking moments about left hand support, we get

$$V_R \times L - ML = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow V_R = M$$

Thus, the reaction at the left hand support V_L will be M downwards.

\therefore Moment at the mid-span

$$= -M \times \frac{L}{2} + M \times \frac{L}{2} = 0$$

Infact the bending moment through out the beam is zero.

GATE-16b. Ans. (b)

GATE-16c. Ans. 110 Range (110 to 110) $\frac{dM_x}{dx} = V_x = 10x + 10 = 10 \times 10 + 10 = 110$

GATE-17. Ans. (d)

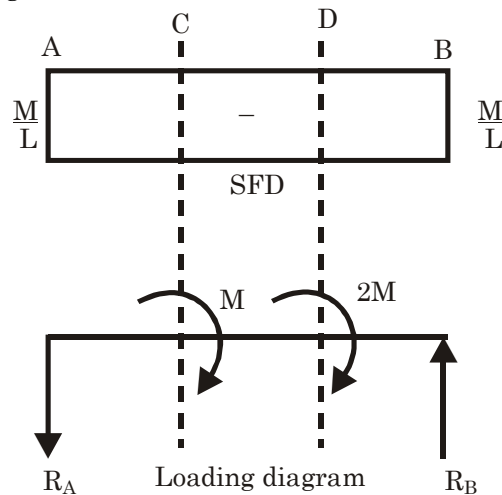
GATE-18. Ans. (c)

The bending moment to the left as well as right of section aa' is constant which means shear force is zero at aa' .

$$\text{Shear force at } bb' = \frac{200 - 100}{2} = 50 \text{ kN}$$

GATE-19. Ans. (a)

The shear force diagram is



$$R_A = R_B = \frac{3M}{3L} = \frac{M}{L}$$

GATE-20. Ans. 0 (Zero)

It is a case of BM at the mid span of a simply supported beam, at this point BM changes sign so value is zero.

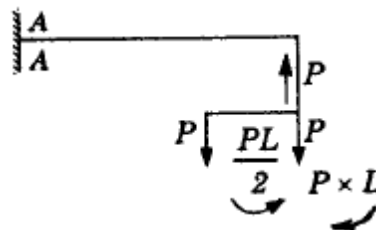
GATE-21. Ans. (a)

GATE-22. Ans. 40 kNm

IES

IES-1. Ans. (a)

IES-2. Ans. (b) Load P at end produces moment $\frac{PL}{2}$ in anticlockwise direction. Load P at end produces moment of PL in clockwise direction. Net moment at AA is $PL/2$.



IES-3. Ans. (d) Dimensional analysis gives choice (d)

IES-4. Ans. (a) $\frac{M}{I} = \text{const.}$ and $I = \frac{bh^3}{12}$

IES-5. Ans. (b)

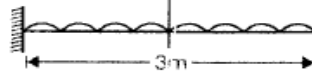
IES-5a Ans. (c) A vertical increase in BM diagram entails there is a point moment similarly a vertical increase in SF diagram entails there is a point shear force.

IES-6. Ans. (a)

IES-7. Ans. (b)

IES-8. Ans. (c)

IES-9. Ans. (c)



Shear force at mid point of cantilever

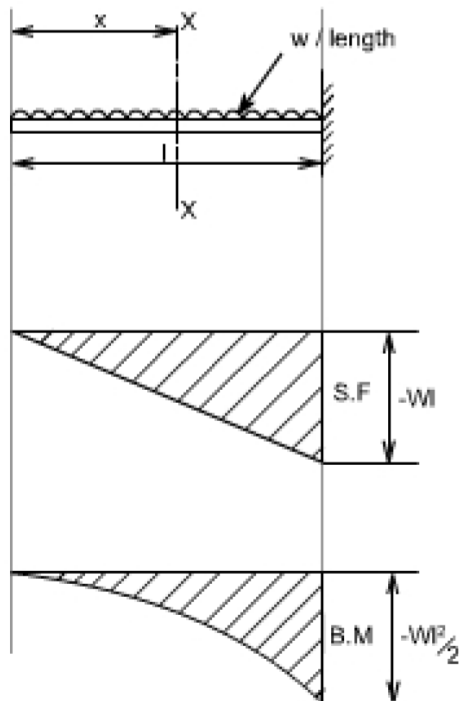
$$= \frac{\omega l}{2} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\omega \times 3}{2} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega = \frac{6 \times 2}{3} = 4 \text{ kN/m}$$

IES-10. Ans. (b)

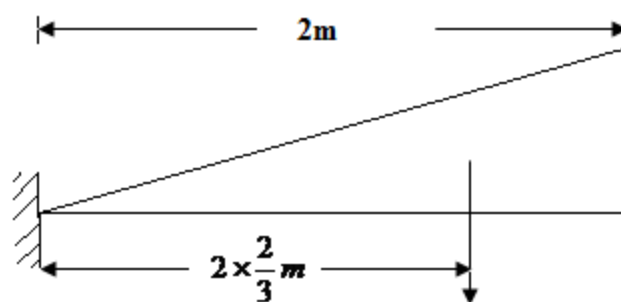
IES-11. Ans. (b) Uniformly distributed load on cantilever beam.



IES-12. Ans. (d)

IES-13. Ans. (b)

IES-14. Ans. (a)



$$M = 37.5 \times \frac{4}{3} \text{ KNm} = 50 \times 10^6 \text{ Nmm}$$

IES-15. Ans. (a)

IES-16. Ans. (d)

IES-17. Ans. (c)

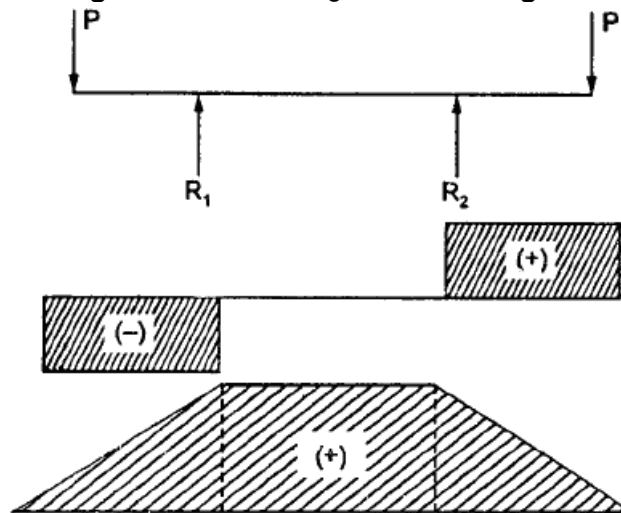
IES-18. Ans. (c)

IES-19. Ans. (b)

IES-20. Ans. (a)

IES-20(i).Ans. b

IES-21. Ans. (b)



IES-21(i). Ans. (d)

IES-22. Ans. (a)

IES-23. Ans. (d) Pure bending takes place in the section between two weights W

IES-24. Ans. (d)

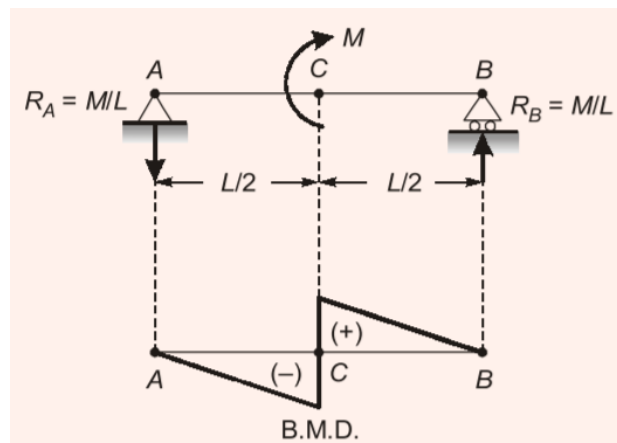
IES-25. Ans. (a)

IES-26. Ans. (d)

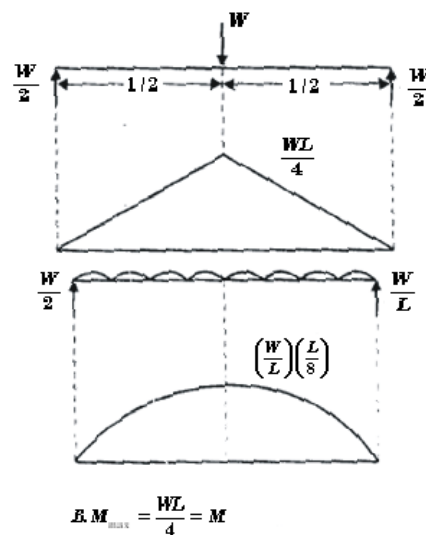
IES-27. Ans. (d) If F be the shearing force at section x (at point A), then taking moments about B, $F \times 2L = P_c$

$$\text{or } F = \frac{P_c}{2L} \quad \text{Thus shearing force in zone } x = \frac{P_c}{2L}$$

IES-27a. Ans. (c)



IES-28. Ans. (b)



$$B.M._{Max} = \frac{WL}{4} = M$$

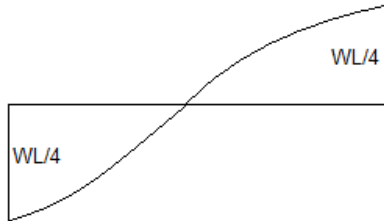
Where the Load is U.D.L.

Maximum Bending Moment

$$= \left(\frac{W}{L} \right) \left(\frac{L^2}{8} \right)$$

$$= \frac{WL}{8} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{WL}{4} \right) = \frac{M}{2}$$

IES-29. Ans. (d)



$$\text{Total load} = \frac{1}{2} \times L \times W = \frac{WL}{2}$$

$$S_x = \frac{WL}{4} - \frac{1}{2}x \cdot \left(\frac{W}{L} \times x \right) = \frac{WL}{4} - \frac{Wx^2}{L}$$

$$S_{max} \text{ at } x=0 = \frac{WL}{4}$$

IES-30. Ans. (d)

IES-31. Ans. (d)

IES-32. Ans. (b)

IES-33. Ans. (b)

IES-34. Ans. (b) If shear force is zero, B.M. will also be zero. If shear force varies linearly with length, B.M. diagram will be curved line.

IES-35. Ans. (a)

IES-36. Ans. (a)

IES-37. Ans. (c)

IES-38. Ans. (d) A vertical line in centre of B.M. diagram is possible when a moment is applied there.

IES-39. Ans. (a) Load diagram at (a) is correct because B.M. diagram between A and B is parabola which is possible with uniformly distributed load in this region.

IES-40. Ans. (b) The shear force diagram is possible on simply supported beam with symmetrical varying load about mid span.

IES-40(i) Ans. (a)

IES-41 Ans. (c)

IAS

IAS-1. Ans. (a)

IAS-2. Ans. (b)

IAS-3. Ans. (b)

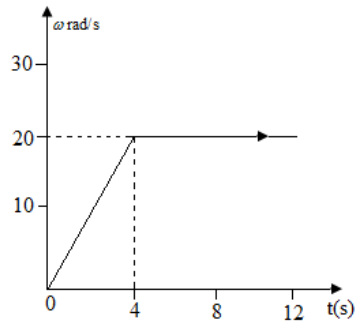
IAS-4. Ans. (a) Because of hinge support between beam AB and cantilevers, the bending moment can't be transmitted to cantilever. Thus bending moment at points A and B is zero.

IAS-5. Ans. (d)

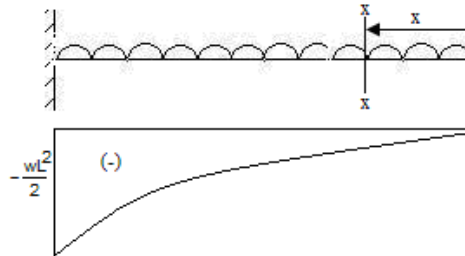
$$S.F = 400\text{N} \text{ and } BM = 400 \times (0.4 + 0.2) = 240\text{Nm}$$

$$\text{Torque} = 400 \times 0.25 = 100\text{Nm}$$

IAS-6. Ans. (b)



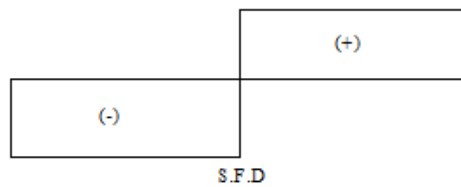
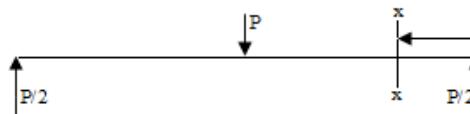
IAS-7. Ans. (c) $M_x = -wx \times \frac{x}{2} = -\frac{wx^2}{2}$



IAS-8. Ans. (a)

IAS-9. Ans. (d)

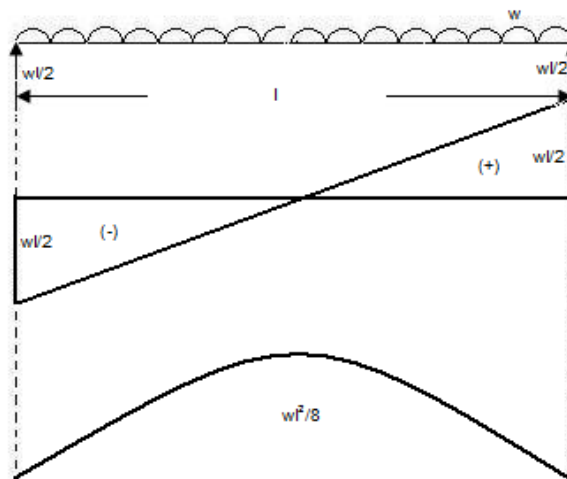
IAS-10. Ans. (d) A is false.



IAS-11. Ans. (c)

IAS-12. Ans. (a)

IAS-13. Ans. (d)



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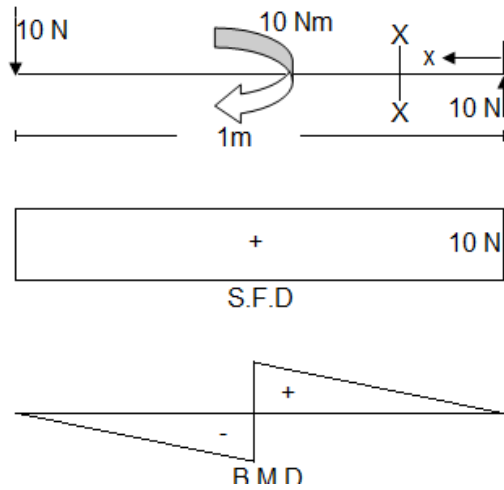
IAS-14. Ans. (b)

IAS-15. Ans. (d)

IAS-16. Ans. (c)

Bending Moment and Shear Force Diagram

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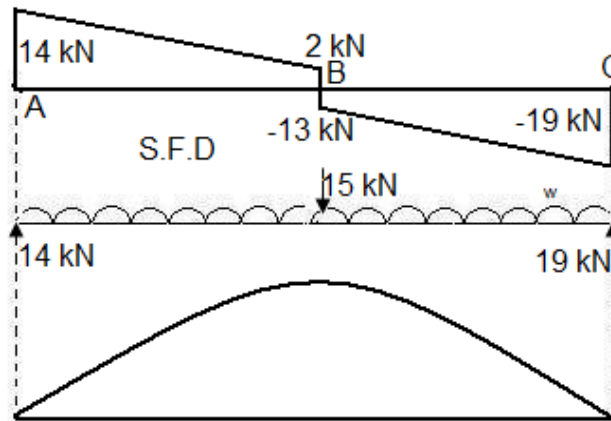


IAS-17. Ans. (d)

IAS-18. Ans. (d)

IAS-19. Ans. (b)

IAS-20. Ans. (a)



IAS-21. Ans. (d)

IAS-22. Ans. (c) Bending moment does not depends on moment of inertia.

IAS-23. Ans. (a)

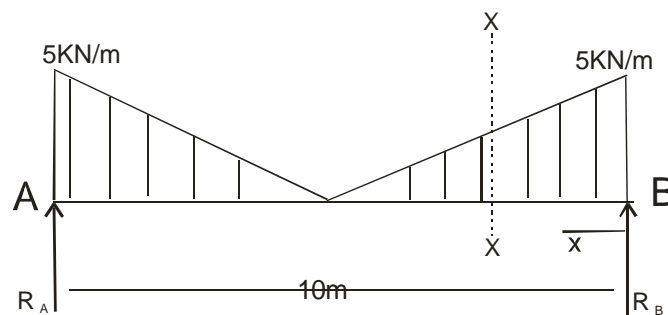
IAS-24. Ans. (d)

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES-2005

Question: A simply supported beam of length 10 m carries a uniformly varying load whose intensity varies from a maximum value of 5 kN/m at both ends to zero at the centre of the beam. It is desired to replace the beam with another simply supported beam which will be subjected to the same maximum 'bending moment' and 'shear force' as in the case of the previous one. Determine the length and rate of loading for the second beam if it is subjected to a uniformly distributed load over its whole length. Draw the variation of 'SF' and 'BM' in both the cases.

Answer:



$$\text{Total load on beam} = 5 \times \frac{10}{2} = 25 \text{ kN}$$

$$\therefore R_A = R_B = \frac{25}{2} = 12.5 \text{ kN}$$

Take a section X-X from B at a distance x .

For $0 \leq x \leq 5 \text{ m}$ we get rate of loading

$$\omega = a + bx \text{ [as lineary varying]}$$

$$\text{at } x=0, \omega=5 \text{ kN/m}$$

$$\text{and at } x=5, \omega=0$$

These two boundary condition gives $a = 5$ and $b = -1$

$$\therefore \omega = 5 - x$$

$$\text{We know that shear force (V), } \frac{dV}{dx} = -\omega$$

$$\text{or } V = \int -\omega dx = - \int (5 - x) dx = -5x + \frac{x^2}{2} + c_1$$

$$\text{at } x=0, V=12.5 \text{ kN (} R_B \text{) so } c_1 = 12.5$$

$$\therefore V = -5x + \frac{x^2}{2} + 12.5$$

It is clear that maximum S.F = 12.5 kN

$$\text{For a beam } \frac{dM}{dx} = V$$

$$\text{or, } M = \int V dx = \int (-5x + \frac{x^2}{2} + 12.5) dx = -\frac{5x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + 12.5x + C_2$$

$$\text{at } x=0, M=0 \text{ gives } C_2 = 0$$

$$M = 12.5x - 2.5x^2 + x^3/6$$

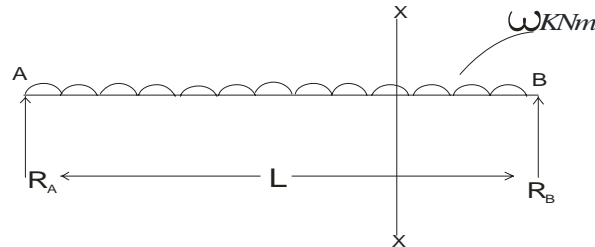
for Maximum bending moment at $\frac{dM}{dx} = 0$

$$\text{or } -5x + \frac{x^2}{2} + 12.5 = 0$$

$$\text{or } x^2 - 10x + 25 = 0$$

or, $x = 5$ means at centre.

$$\text{So, } M_{\max} = 12.5 \times 2.5 - 2.5 \times 5^2 + 5^3 / 6 = 20.83 \text{ kNm}$$



Now we consider a simply supported beam carrying uniform distributed load over whole length (ω kN/m).

$$\text{Here } R_A = R_B = \frac{WL}{2}$$

S.F. at section X-X

$$V_x = +\frac{W\ell}{2} - \omega x$$

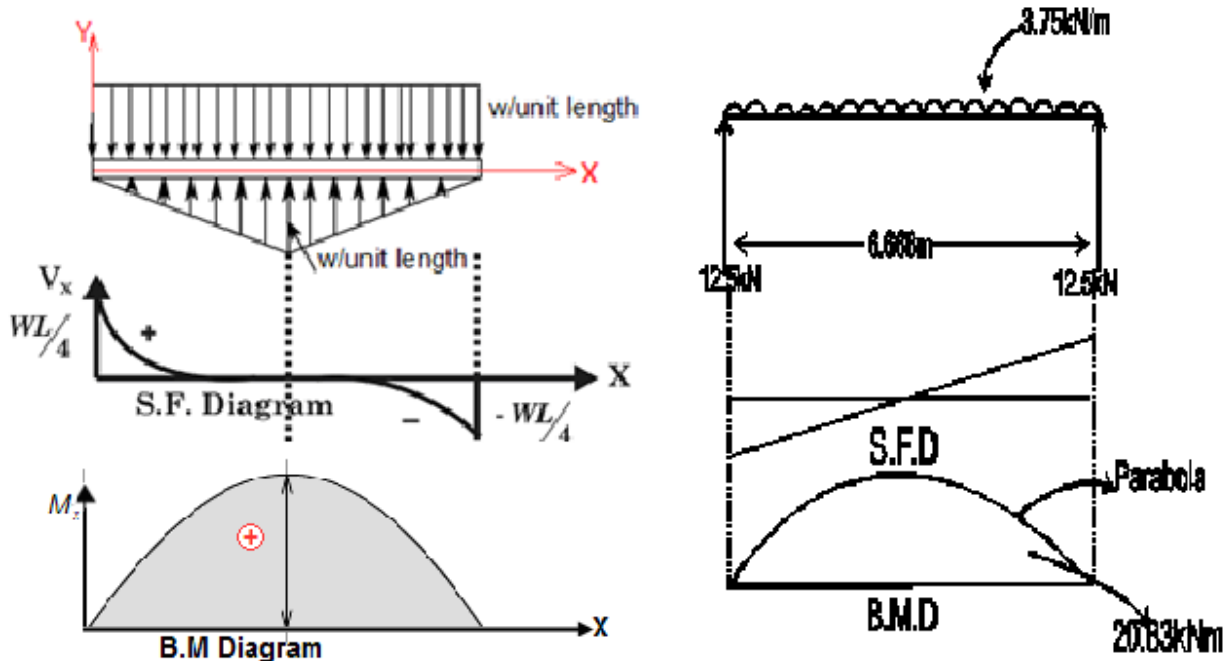
$$V_{\max} = 12.5 \text{ kN}$$

B.M at section X-X

$$M_x = +\frac{W\ell}{2}x - \frac{\omega x^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{dM_x}{dx} = \frac{WL}{2} - \frac{\omega}{2} \times \left(\frac{L}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{WL^2}{8} = 20.83 \text{ --- (ii)}$$

Solving (i) & (ii) we get $L = 6.666 \text{ m}$ and $\omega = 3.75 \text{ kN/m}$



Conventional Question IES-1996

Question: A Uniform beam of length L is carrying a uniformly distributed load w per unit length and is simply supported at its ends. What would be the maximum bending moment and where does it occur?

Answer: By symmetry each support

reaction is equal i.e. $R_A = R_B = \frac{W\ell}{2}$

B.M at the section $x-x$ is

$$M_x = +\frac{W\ell}{2}x - \frac{Wx^2}{2}$$

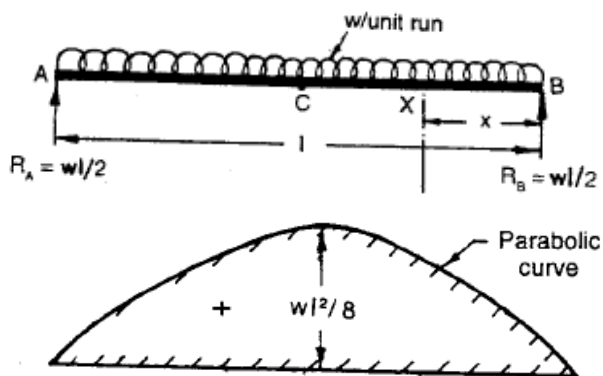
For the B.M to be maximum we

have to $\frac{dM_x}{dx} = 0$ that gives.

$$\frac{W\ell}{2} - wx = 0$$

or $x = \frac{\ell}{2}$ i.e. at mid point.

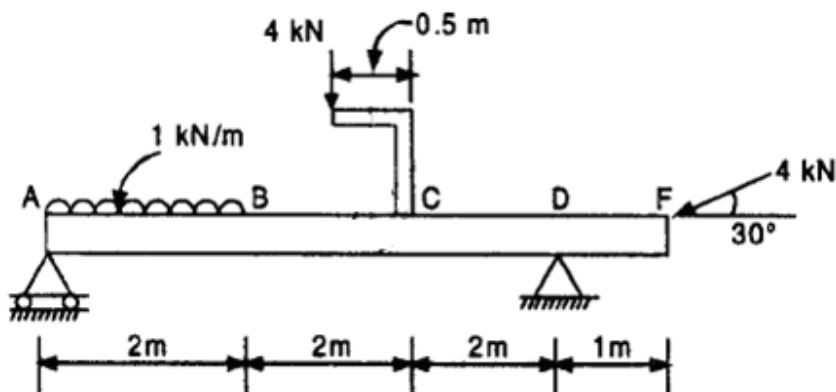
$$\text{And } M_{\max} = \frac{w\ell}{2} \times \frac{\ell}{2} - \frac{w}{2} \times \left[\frac{\ell}{2} \right]^2 = +\frac{w\ell^2}{8}$$



Bending Moment Diagram

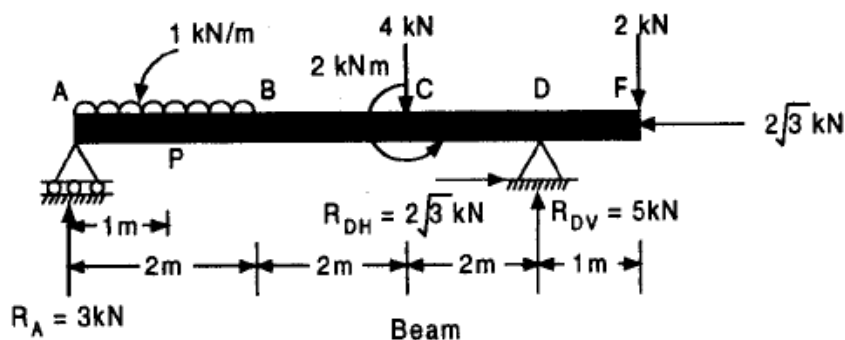
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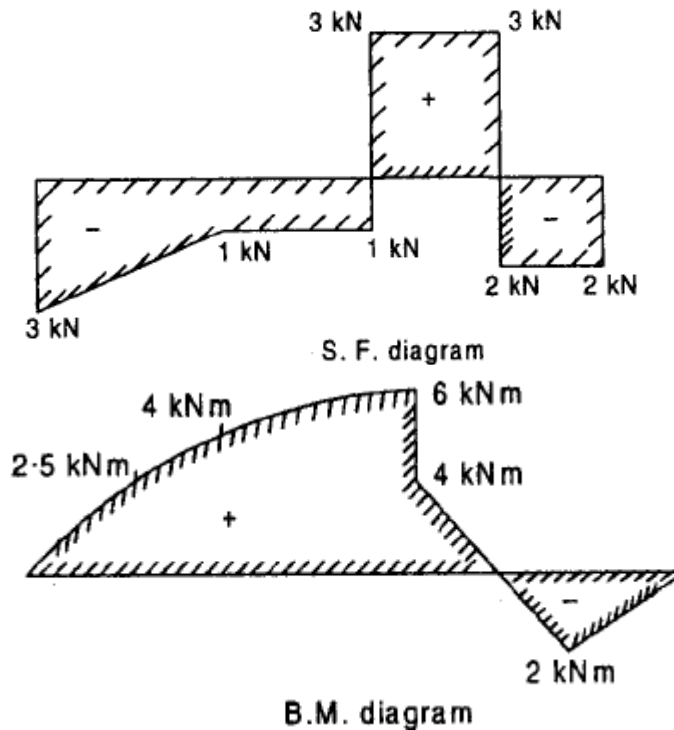
Question: Calculate the reactions at A and D for the beam shown in figure. Draw the bending moment and shear force diagrams showing all important values.



Answer:

Equivalent figure below shows an overhanging beam ABCDF supported by a roller support at A and a hinged support at D. In the figure, a load of 4 kN is applied through a bracket 0.5 m away from the point C. Now apply equal and opposite load of 4 kN at C. This will be equivalent to a anticlockwise couple of the value of $(4 \times 0.5) = 2$ kNm acting at C together with a vertical downward load of 4 kN at C. Show U.D.L. (1 kN/m) over the port AB, a point load of 2 kN vertically downward at F, and a horizontal load of $2\sqrt{3}$ kN as shown.





For reaction and A and D.

Let us assume R_A = reaction at roller A.

R_{DV} vertically component of the reaction at the hinged support D, and

R_{DH} horizontal component of the reaction at the hinged support D.

Obviously $R_{DH} = 2\sqrt{3} \text{ kN } (\rightarrow)$

In order to determine R_A , taking moments about D, we get

$$R_A \times 6 + 2 \times 1 = 1 \times 2 \times \left(\frac{2}{2} + 2 + 2 \right) + 2 + 4 \times 2$$

or $R_A = 3 \text{ kN}$

$$\text{Also } R_A + R_{DV} = (1 \times 2) + 4 + 2 = 8$$

or $R_{DV} = 5 \text{ kN vertically upward}$

$$\therefore \text{Reaction at D, } R_D = \sqrt{(R_{DV}^2) + (R_{DH}^2)} = \sqrt{5^2 + (2\sqrt{3})^2} = 6.08 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{Inclination with horizontal} = \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{2\sqrt{3}} = 55.3^\circ$$

S.F. Calculation :

$$V_F = -2 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_D = -2 + 5 = 3 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_C = 3 - 4 = -1 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_B = -1 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_A = -1 - (1 \times 2) = -3 \text{ kN}$$

B.M. Calculation :

$$M_F = 0$$

$$M_D = -2 \times 1 = -2 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_C = [-2(1 + 2) + 5 \times 2] + 2 = 6 \text{ kNm}$$

The bending moment increases from 4 kNm in (i.e., $-2(1+2)+5 \times 2$) to 6 kNm as shown

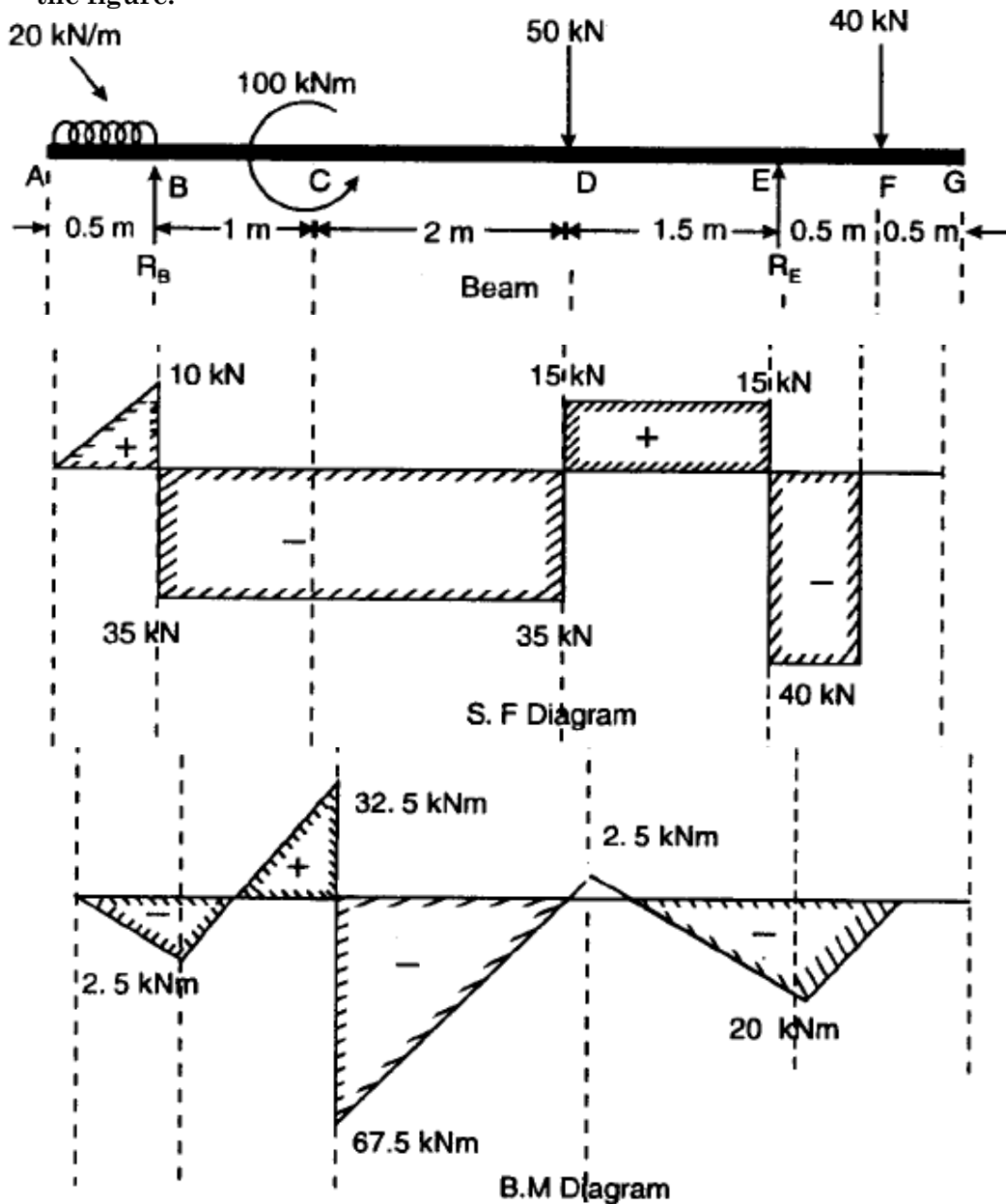
$$M_B = -2(1+2+2)+5(+2)-4 \times 2+2 = 4 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_P = -2\left(1+2+2+\frac{2}{2}\right)+5(2+2+1)-4(2+1)+2-1 \times 1 \times \frac{1}{2} \\ = 2.5 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_A = 0$$

Conventional Question GATE-1997

Question: Construct the bending moment and shearing force diagrams for the beam shown in the figure.



Calculation: First find out reaction at B and E.
Taking moments, about B, we get

$$R_E \times 4.5 + 20 \times 0.5 \times \frac{0.5}{2} + 100 = 50 \times 3 + 40 \times 5$$

$$\text{or } R_E = 55 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{Also, } R_B + R_E = 20 \times 0.5 + 50 + 40$$

$$\text{or } R_B = 45 \text{ kN} \quad [\because R_E = 55 \text{ kN}]$$

$$\text{S.F. Calculation: } V_F = -40 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_E = -40 + 55 = 15 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_D = 15 - 50 = -35 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_B = -35 + 45 = 10 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{B.M. Calculation: } M_G = 0$$

$$M_F = 0$$

$$M_E = -40 \times 0.5 = -20 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_D = -40 \times 2 + 55 \times 1.5 = 2.5 \text{ kNm}$$

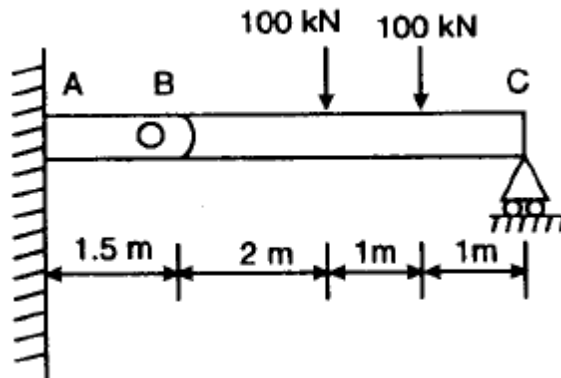
$$M_C = -40 \times 4 + 55 \times 3.5 - 50 \times 2 = -67.5 \text{ kNm}$$

The bending moment increases from -62.5 kNm to 100 .

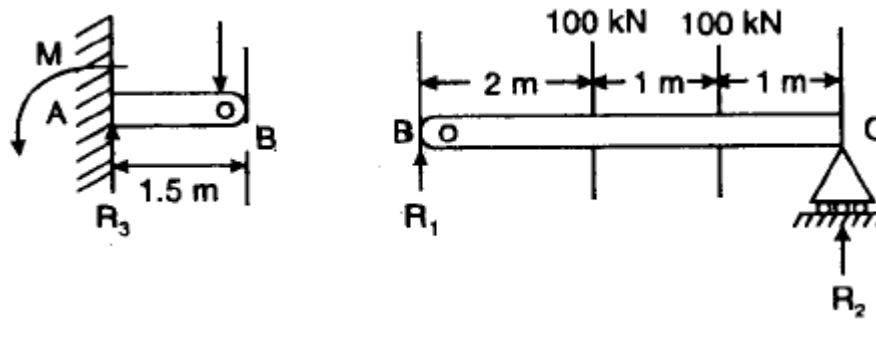
$$M_B = -20 \times 0.5 \times \frac{0.5}{2} = -2.5 \text{ kNm}$$

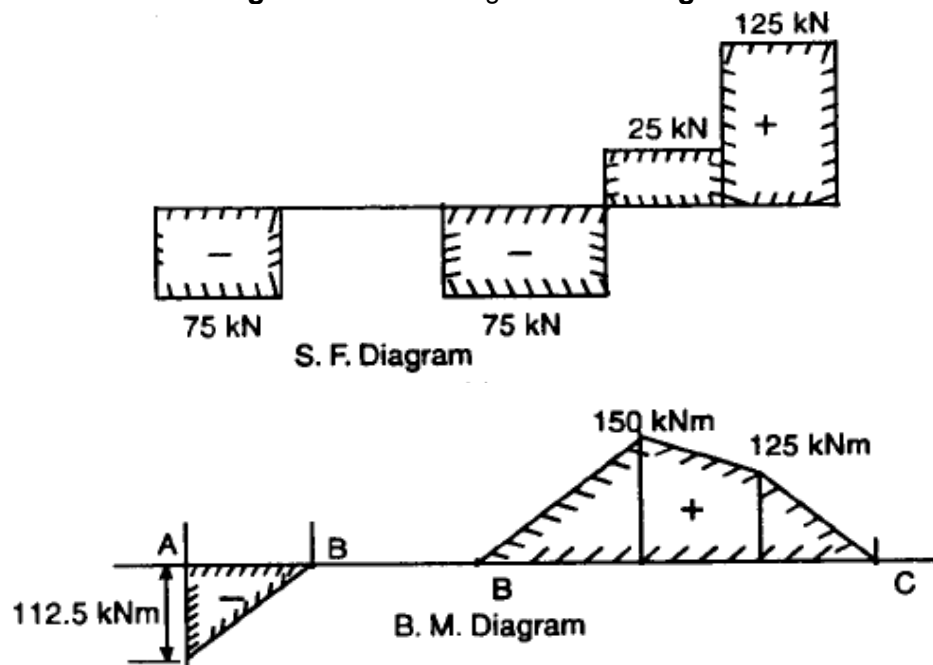
Conventional Question GATE-1996

Question: Two bars AB and BC are connected by a frictionless hinge at B. The assembly is supported and loaded as shown in figure below. Draw the shear force and bending moment diagrams for the combined beam AC, clearly labelling the important values. Also indicate your sign convention.



Answer: There shall be a vertical reaction at hinge B and we can split the problem in two parts. Then the FBD of each part is shown below





Calculation: Referring the FBD, we get,

$$F_y = 0, \text{ and } R_1 + R_2 = 200 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{From } \sum M_B = 0, 100 \times 2 + 100 \times 3 - R_2 \times 4 = 0$$

$$\text{or } R_2 = \frac{500}{4} = 125 \text{ kN}$$

$$\therefore R_1 = 200 - 125 = 75 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{Again, } R_3 = R_1 = 75 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{and } M = 75 \times 1.5 = 112.5 \text{ kNm.}$$

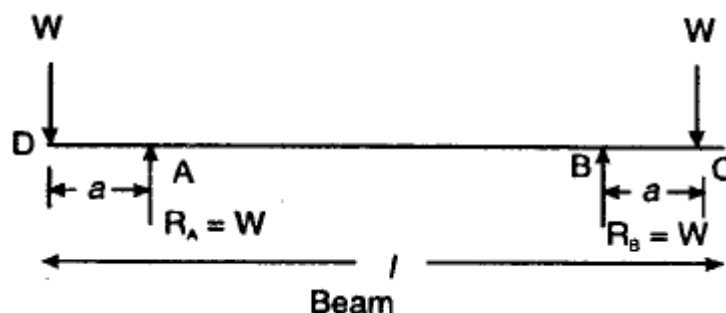
Conventional Question IES-1998

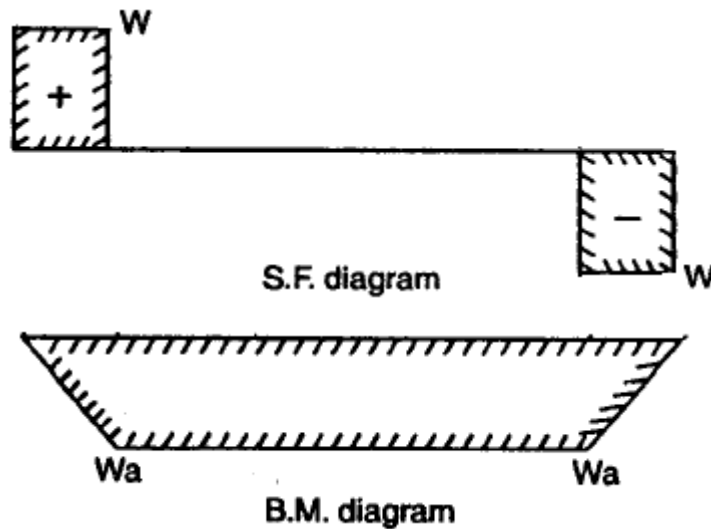
Question: A tube 40 mm outside diameter; 5 mm thick and 1.5 m long simply supported at 125 mm from each end carries a concentrated load of 1 kN at each extreme end.

- Neglecting the weight of the tube, sketch the shearing force and bending moment diagrams;
- Calculate the radius of curvature and deflection at mid-span. Take the modulus of elasticity of the material as 208 GN/m^2

Answer: (i) Given, $d_o = 40 \text{ mm} = 0.04 \text{ m}$; $d_i = d_o - 2t = 40 - 2 \times 5 = 30 \text{ mm} = 0.03 \text{ m}$;

$$W = 1 \text{ kN}; E = 208 \text{ GN/m}^2 = 208 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2; l = 1.5; a = 125 \text{ mm} = 0.125 \text{ m}$$





Calculation:

(ii) Radius of coordinate R

As per bending equation:

$$\frac{M}{I} = \frac{\sigma}{y} = \frac{E}{R}$$

$$\text{or } R = \frac{EI}{M} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\text{Here, } M = W \times a = 1 \times 10^3 \times 0.125 = 125 \text{ Nm}$$

$$I = \frac{\pi}{64} (d_o^4 - d_i^4)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{64} [(0.04)^4 - (0.03)^4] = 8.59 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^4$$

Substituting the values in equation (i), we get

$$R = \frac{208 \times 10^8 \times 8.59 \times 10^{-8}}{125} = 142.9 \text{ m}$$

Deflection at mid – span :

$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = M_x = -Wx + W(x - a) = -Wx + Wx - Wa = -Wa$$

Integrating, we get

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = -Wax + C_1$$

$$\text{When, } x = \frac{l}{2}, \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\therefore 0 = -Wa \frac{1}{2} + C_1 \text{ or } C_1 = \frac{Wal}{2}$$

$$\therefore EI \frac{dy}{dx} = -Wax + \frac{Wal}{2}$$

Integrating again, we get

$$Ely = -Wa \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{Wal}{2} x + C_2$$

$$\text{When } x = a, y = 0$$

$$\therefore 0 = -\frac{W a^3}{2} + \frac{W a l}{2} + C_2$$

$$\text{or } C_2 = \frac{W a^3}{2} - \frac{W a l}{2}$$

$$\therefore E y = -\frac{W a x^2}{2} + \frac{W a l x}{2} + \left[\frac{W a^3}{2} - \frac{W a l}{2} \right]$$

$$\text{or } y = \frac{W a}{E I} \left[-\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{l x}{2} + \frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{a l}{2} \right]$$

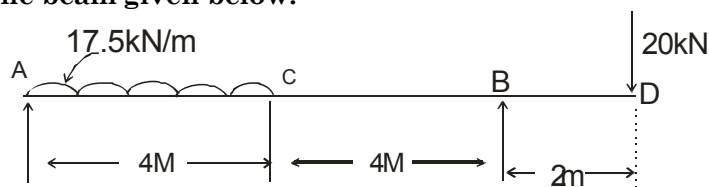
At mid-span, i.e., $x = l/2$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{W a}{E I} \left[-\frac{(l/2)^2}{2} + \frac{l \times (l/2)}{2} + \frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{a l}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{W a}{E I} \left[-\frac{l^2}{8} + \frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{a l}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1 \times 1000 \times 0.125}{208 \times 10^9 \times 8.59 \times 10^{-8}} \left[\frac{1.5^2}{8} + \frac{0.125^2}{2} - \frac{0.125 \times 1.5}{2} \right] \\ &= 0.001366 \text{ m} = 1.366 \text{ mm} \end{aligned}$$

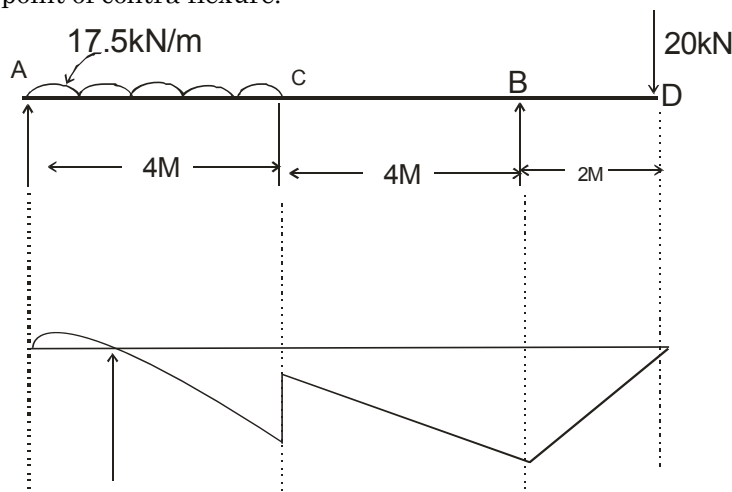
It will be in upward direction

Conventional Question IES-2001

Question: What is meant by point of contraflexure or point of inflexion in a beam? Show the same for the beam given below:



Answer: In a beam if the bending moment changes sign at a point, the point itself having zero bending moment, the beam changes curvature at this point of zero bending moment and this point is called the point of contra flexure.



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From the bending moment diagram we have seen that it is between A & C.
[If marks are more we should calculate exact point.]

5.

Deflection of Beam

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

5.1 Introduction

- We know that the axis of a beam deflects from its initial position under action of applied forces.
- In this chapter we will learn how to determine the elastic deflections of a beam.

Selection of co-ordinate axes

We will not introduce any other co-ordinate system. We use general co-ordinate axis as shown in the figure. This system will be followed in deflection of beam and in shear force and bending moment diagram. Here downward direction will be negative i.e. negative Y-axis. Therefore downward deflection of the beam will be treated as negative.

To determine the value of deflection of beam subjected to a given loading where we will use the

$$\text{formula, } EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x.$$

Some books fix a co-ordinate axis as shown in the following figure. Here downward direction will be positive i.e. positive Y-axis. Therefore downward deflection of the beam will be treated as positive. As beam is generally deflected in downward directions and this co-ordinate system treats downward deflection is positive deflection.

To determine the value of deflection of beam subjected to a given loading where we will use the

$$\text{formula, } EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -M_x.$$



We use above Co-ordinate system



Some books use above co-ordinate system

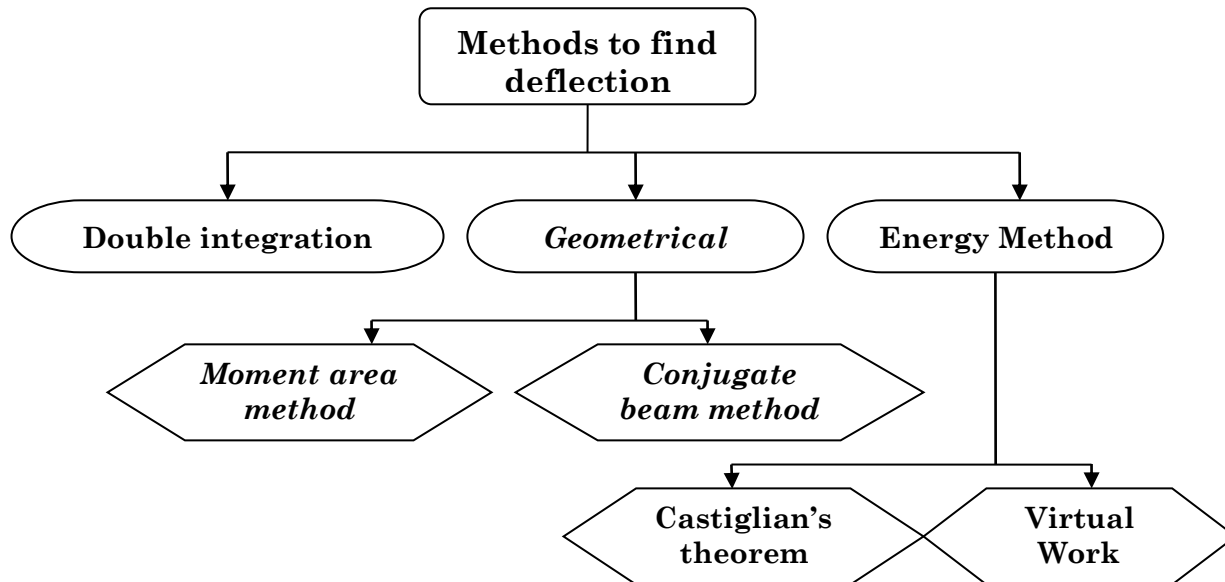
Why to calculate the deflections?

- To prevent cracking of attached brittle materials
- To make sure the structure not deflect severely and to “appear” safe for its occupants
- To help analyzing statically indeterminate structures
- Information on deformation characteristics of members is essential in the study of vibrations of machines

Several methods to compute deflections in beam

- Double integration method (*without* the use of singularity functions)
- Macaulay's Method (*with* the use of singularity functions)
- Moment area method
- Method of superposition
- Conjugate beam method
- Castigliano's theorem
- Work/Energy methods

Each of these methods has particular advantages or disadvantages.



Assumptions in Simple Bending Theory

- Beams are initially straight
- The material is homogenous and isotropic i.e. it has a uniform composition and its mechanical properties are the same in all directions
- The stress-strain relationship is linear and elastic
- Young's Modulus is the same in tension as in compression
- Sections are symmetrical about the plane of bending
- Sections which are plane before bending remain plane after bending

Non-Uniform Bending

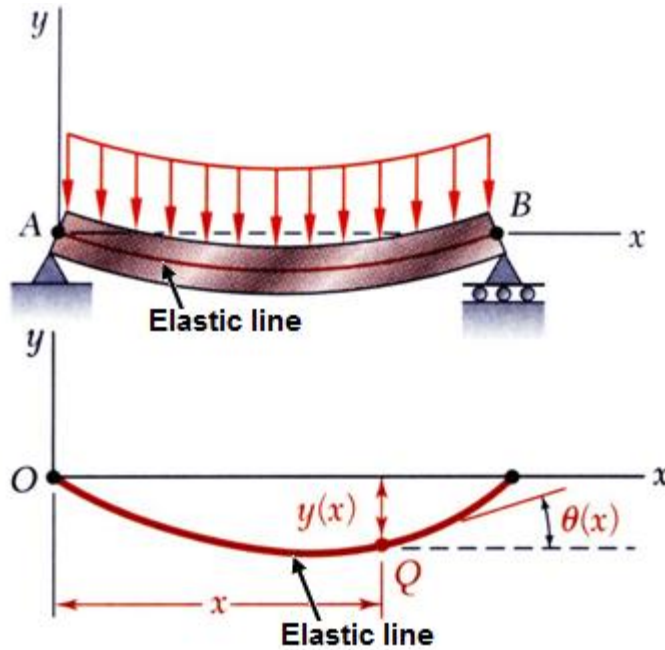
- In the case of non-uniform bending of a beam, where bending moment varies from section to section, there will be shear force at each cross section which will induce shearing stresses
- Also these shearing stresses cause warping (or out-of plane distortion) of the cross section so that plane cross sections do not remain plane even after bending

5.2 Elastic line or Elastic curve

We have to remember that the differential equation of the elastic line is

$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = M_x$$

Proof: Consider the following simply supported beam with UDL over its length.



From elementary calculus we know that curvature of a line (at point Q in figure)

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}}{\left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right\}^{3/2}} \quad \text{where } R = \text{radius of curvature}$$

For small deflection, $\frac{dy}{dx} \approx 0$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{R} \approx \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$

Bending stress of the beam (at point Q)

$$\sigma_x = \frac{-(M_x) \cdot y}{I}$$

From strain relation we get

$$\frac{1}{R} = -\frac{\epsilon_x}{y} \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon_x = \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{R} = \frac{M_x}{EI}$$

Therefore $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{M_x}{EI}$

or $EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x$

5.3 General expression

From the equation $EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x$ we may easily find out the following relations.

- $EI \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} = -\omega$ Shear force density (Load)
- $EI \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = V_x$ Shear force
- $EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x$ Bending moment
- $\frac{dy}{dx} = \theta = \text{slope}$
- $y = \delta = \text{Deflection, Displacement}$
- Flexural rigidity = EI

5.4 Double integration method (*without* the use of singularity functions)

- $V_x = \int -\omega dx$
- $M_x = \int V_x dx$
- $EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x$
- $\theta = \text{Slope} = \frac{1}{EI} \int M_x dx$
- $\delta = \text{Deflection} = \int \theta dx$

4-step procedure to solve deflection of beam problems by double integration method

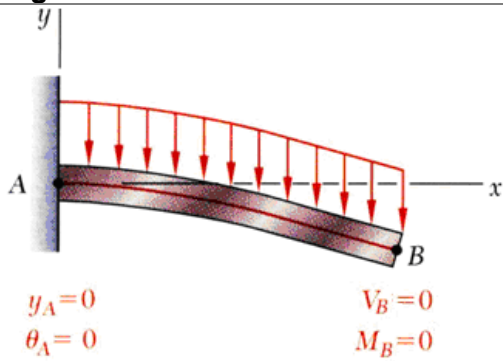
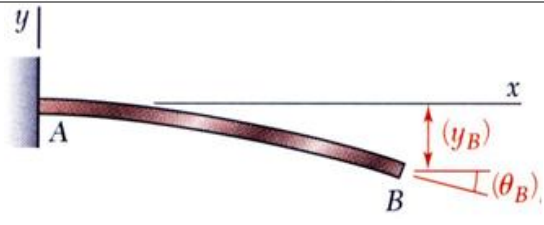
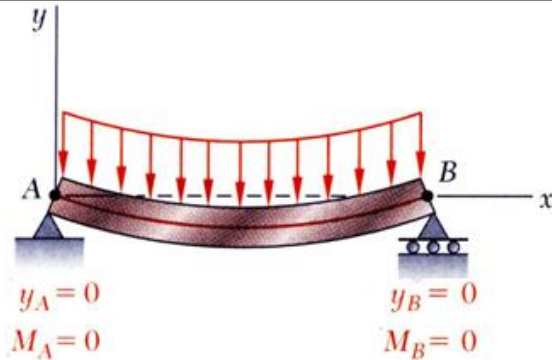
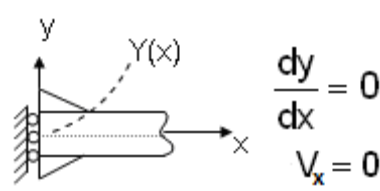
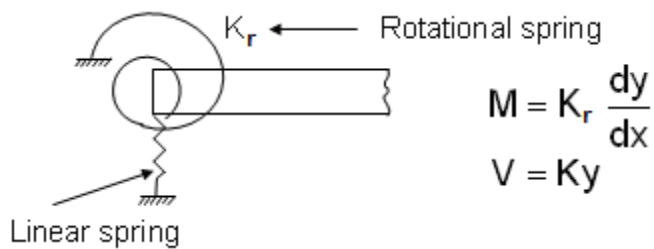
Step 1: Write down boundary conditions (Slope boundary conditions and displacement boundary conditions), analyze the problem to be solved

Step 2: Write governing equations for, $EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x$

Step 3: Solve governing equations by integration, results in expression with unknown integration constants

Step 4: Apply boundary conditions (determine integration constants)

Following table gives boundary conditions for different types of support.

Types of support and Boundary Conditions	Figure
Clamped or Built in support or Fixed end : (Point A) <i>Deflection, $(y) = 0$</i> <i>Slope, $(\theta) = 0$</i> <i>Moment, $(M) \neq 0$ i.e. A finite value</i>	
Free end: (Point B) <i>Deflection, $(y) \neq 0$ i.e. A finite value</i> <i>Slope, $(\theta) \neq 0$ i.e. A finite value</i> <i>Moment, $(M) = 0$</i>	
Roller (Point B) or Pinned Support (Point A) or Hinged or Simply supported. <i>Deflection, $(y) = 0$</i> <i>Slope, $(\theta) \neq 0$ i.e. A finite value</i> <i>Moment, $(M) = 0$</i>	
End restrained against rotation but free to deflection <i>Deflection, $(y) \neq 0$ i.e. A finite value</i> <i>Slope, $(\theta) = 0$</i> <i>Shear force, $(V) = 0$</i>	
Flexible support <i>Deflection, $(y) \neq 0$ i.e. A finite value</i> <i>Slope, $(\theta) \neq 0$ i.e. A finite value</i> <i>Moment, $(M) = k_r \frac{dy}{dx}$</i> <i>Shear force, $(V) = k \cdot y$</i>	

Using double integration method we will find the deflection and slope of the following loaded beams one by one.

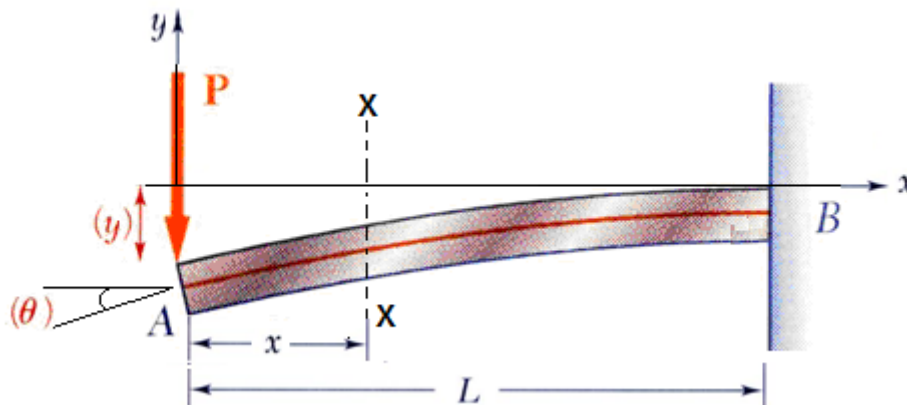
- (i) A Cantilever beam with point load at the free end.
- (ii) A Cantilever beam with UDL (uniformly distributed load)
- (iii) A Cantilever beam with an applied moment at free end.
- (iv) A simply supported beam with a point load at its midpoint.
- (v) A simply supported beam with a point load NOT at its midpoint.
- (vi) A simply supported beam with UDL (Uniformly distributed load)
- (vii) A simply supported beam with triangular distributed load (GVL) gradually varied load.
- (viii) A simply supported beam with a moment at mid span.
- (ix) A simply supported beam with a continuously distributed load the intensity of which at any

point 'x' along the beam is $w_x = w \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$

(i) A Cantilever beam with point load at the free end.

We will solve this problem by double integration method. For that at first we have to calculate (M_x).

Consider any section XX at a distance 'x' from free end which is left end as shown in figure.



$$\therefore M_x = -P \cdot x$$

We know that differential equation of elastic line

$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x = -P \cdot x$$

Integrating both side we get

$$\int EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -P \int x \, dx$$

$$\text{or } EI \frac{dy}{dx} = -P \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + A \quad \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

Again integrating both side we get

$$EI \int dy = \int \left(P \frac{x^2}{2} + A \right) dx$$

$$\text{or } Ely = -\frac{Px^3}{6} + Ax + B \quad \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

Where A and B is integration constants.

Now apply boundary condition at fixed end which is at a distance $x = L$ from free end and we also know that at fixed end

$$\text{at } x = L, \quad y = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = L, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\text{from equation (ii) } EIL = -\frac{PL^3}{6} + AL + B \quad \dots\dots\dots(iii)$$

$$\text{from equation (i) } EL(0) = -\frac{PL^2}{2} + A \quad \dots\dots(iv)$$

$$\text{Solving (iii) \& (iv) we get } A = \frac{PL^2}{2} \text{ and } B = -\frac{PL^3}{3}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } y = -\frac{Px^3}{6EI} + \frac{PL^2x}{2EI} - \frac{PL^3}{3EI}$$

The slope as well as the deflection would be maximum at free end hence putting $x = 0$ we get

$$y_{\max} = -\frac{PL^3}{3EI} \quad (\text{Negative sign indicates the deflection is downward})$$

$$(\text{Slope})_{\max} = \theta_{\max} = \frac{PL^2}{2EI}$$

Remember for a cantilever beam with a point load at free end.

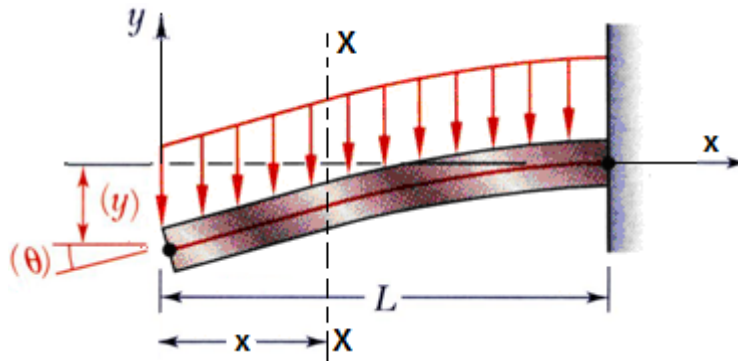
Downward deflection at free end,

$$(\delta) = \frac{PL^3}{3EI}$$

And slope at free end,

$$(\theta) = \frac{PL^2}{2EI}$$

(ii) A Cantilever beam with UDL (uniformly distributed load)



We will now solve this problem by double integration method, for that at first we have to calculate (M_x).

Consider any section XX at a distance 'x' from free end which is left end as shown in figure.

$$\therefore M_x = -(w \cdot x) \cdot \frac{x}{2} = -\frac{wx^2}{2}$$

We know that differential equation of elastic line

$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{wx^2}{2}$$

Integrating both sides we get

$$\int EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \int -\frac{wx^2}{2} dx$$

$$\text{or } EI \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{wx^3}{6} + A \quad \dots\dots(i)$$

Again integrating both side we get

$$EI \int dy = \int \left(-\frac{wx^3}{6} + A \right) dx$$

$$\text{or } Ely = -\frac{wx^4}{24} + Ax + B \quad \dots\dots(ii)$$

[where A and B are integration constants]

Now apply boundary condition at fixed end which is at a distance $x = L$ from free end and we also know that at fixed end.

$$\text{at } x = L, \quad y = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = L, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\text{from equation (i) we get } EI \times (0) = \frac{-wL^3}{6} + A \text{ or } A = \frac{+wL^3}{6}$$

$$\text{from equation (ii) we get } EI \cdot y = -\frac{wL^4}{24} + A \cdot L + B$$

$$\text{or } B = -\frac{wL^4}{8}$$

The slope as well as the deflection would be maximum at the free end hence putting $x = 0$, we get

$$y_{\max} = -\frac{wL^4}{8EI} \quad [\text{Negative sign indicates the deflection is downward}]$$

$$(\text{slope})_{\max} = \theta_{\max} = \frac{wL^3}{6EI}$$

Remember: For a cantilever beam with UDL over its whole length,

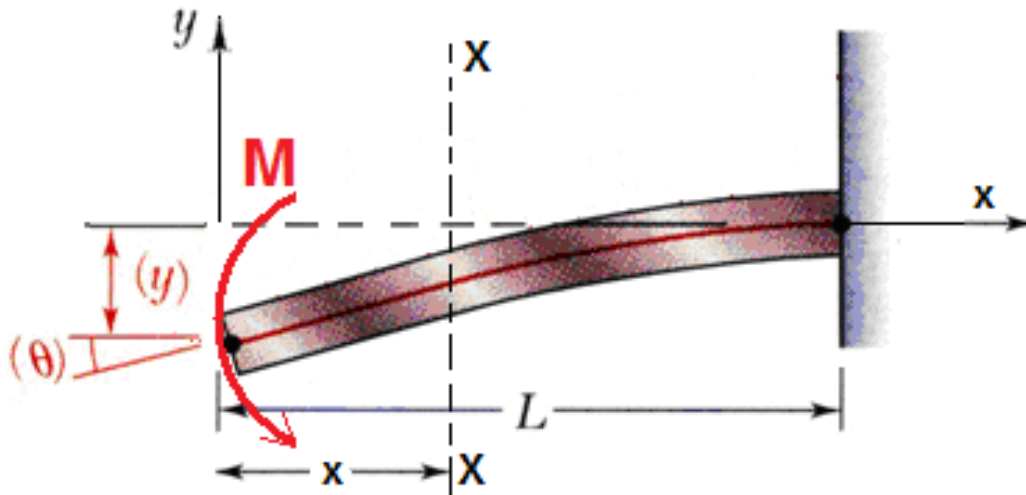
Maximum deflection at free end

$$(\delta) = \frac{wL^4}{8EI}$$

Maximum slope,

$$(\theta) = \frac{wL^3}{6EI}$$

(iii) A Cantilever beam of length 'L' with an applied moment 'M' at free end.



Consider a section XX at a distance 'x' from free end, the bending moment at section XX is

$$(M_x) = -M$$

We know that differential equation of elastic line

$$\text{or } EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -M$$

Integrating both side we get

$$\text{or } EI \int \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\int M dx$$

$$\text{or } EI \frac{dy}{dx} = -Mx + A \dots (i)$$

Again integrating both side we get

$$EI \int dy = \int (Mx + A) dx$$

$$\text{or } EI y = -\frac{Mx^2}{2} + Ax + B \quad \dots(ii)$$

Where A and B are integration constants.

applying boundary conditions in equation (i) & (ii)

$$\text{at } x = L, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{gives } A = ML$$

$$\text{at } x = L, y = 0 \quad \text{gives } B = \frac{ML^2}{2} - ML^2 = -\frac{ML^2}{2}$$

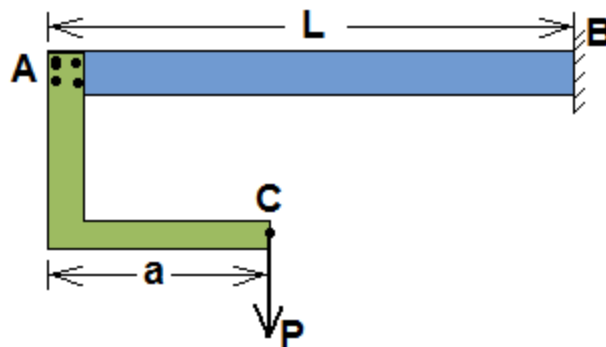
$$\text{Therefore deflection equation is } y = -\frac{Mx^2}{2EI} + \frac{MLx}{EI} - \frac{ML^2}{2EI}$$

Which is the equation of elastic curve.

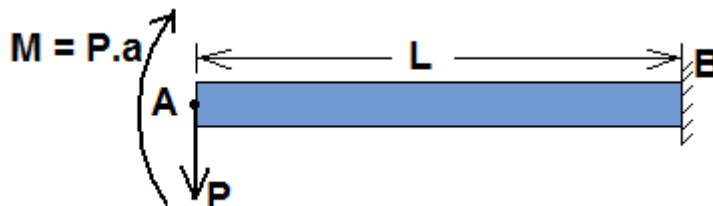
$$\therefore \text{Maximum deflection at free end } (\delta) = \frac{ML^2}{2EI} \quad (\text{It is downward})$$

$$\therefore \text{Maximum slope at free end } (\theta) = \frac{ML}{EI}$$

Let us take a funny example: A cantilever beam AB of length 'L' and uniform flexural rigidity EI has a bracket BA (attached to its free end. A vertical downward force P is applied to free end C of the bracket. Find the ratio a/L required in order that the deflection of point A is zero. [ISRO – 2008, GATE-2014]



We may consider this force 'P' and a moment (P.a) act on free end A of the cantilever beam.



$$\text{Due to point load 'P' at free end 'A' downward deflection } (\delta) = \frac{PL^3}{3EI}$$

Due to moment $M = P.a$ at free end 'A' upward deflection $(\delta) = \frac{ML^2}{2EI} = \frac{(P.a)L^2}{2EI}$

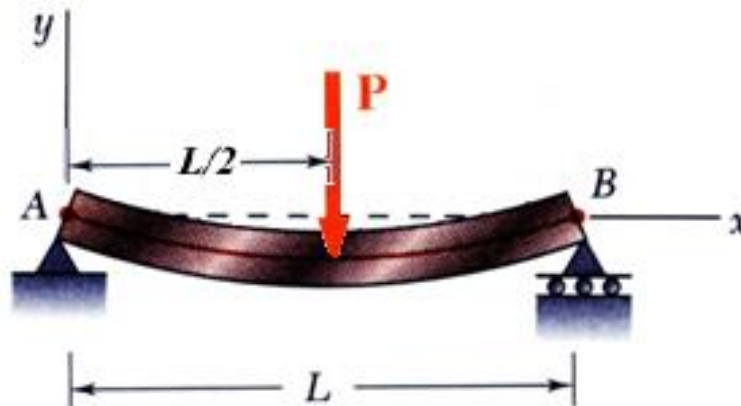
For zero deflection of free end A

$$\frac{PL^3}{3EI} = \frac{(P.a)L^2}{2EI}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{a}{L} = \frac{2}{3}$$

(iv) A simply supported beam with a point load P at its midpoint.

A simply supported beam AB carries a concentrated load P at its midpoint as shown in the figure.



We want to locate the point of maximum deflection on the elastic curve and find its value.

In the region $0 < x < L/2$

Bending moment at any point x (According to the shown co-ordinate system)

$$M_x = \left(\frac{P}{2}\right).x$$

and **In the region $L/2 < x < L$**

$$M_x = \frac{P}{2}(x - L/2)$$

We know that differential equation of elastic line

$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{P}{2}.x \quad (\text{In the region } 0 < x < L/2)$$

Integrating both side we get

$$\text{or } EI \int \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \int \frac{P}{2}.x \, dx$$

$$\text{or } EI \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{P}{2} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + A \quad (i)$$

Again integrating both side we get

$$EI \int dy = \int \left(\frac{P}{4}x^2 + A \right) dx$$

$$\text{or } EI y = \frac{Px^3}{12} + Ax + B \quad (ii)$$

[Where A and B are integrating constants]

Now applying boundary conditions to equation (i) and (ii) we get

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad y = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = L/2, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$A = -\frac{PL^2}{16} \quad \text{and } B = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Equation of elastic line, } y = \frac{Px^3}{12} - \frac{PL^2}{16}x$$

Maximum deflection at mid span ($x = L/2$)

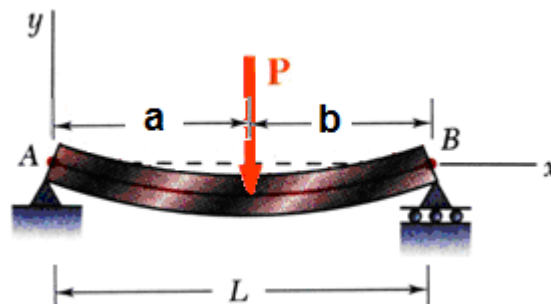
$$(\delta) = \frac{PL^3}{48EI}$$

and maximum slope at each end

$$(\theta) = \frac{PL^2}{16EI}$$

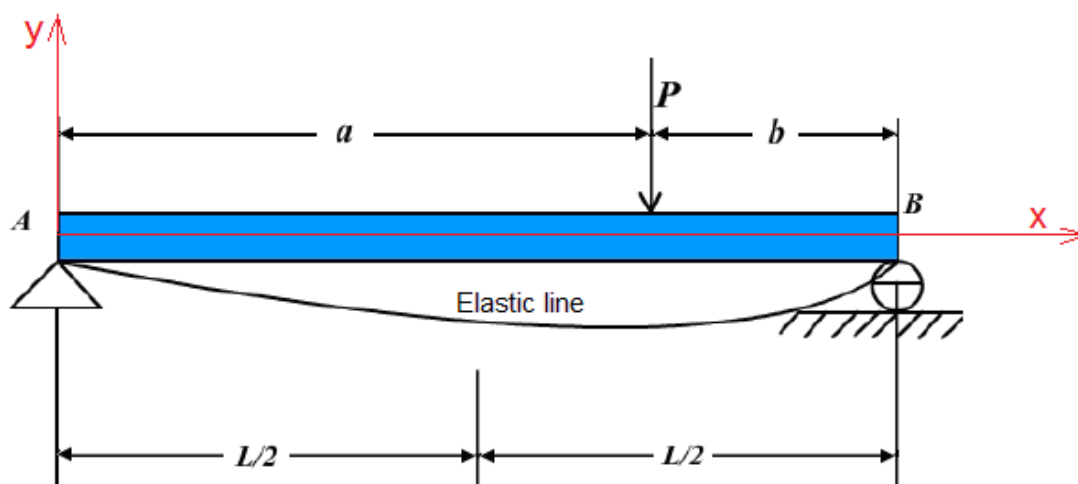
(v) A simply supported beam with a point load 'P' NOT at its midpoint.

A simply supported beam AB carries a concentrated load P as shown in the figure.



We have to locate the point of maximum deflection on the elastic curve and find the value of this deflection.

Taking co-ordinate axes x and y as shown below



For the bending moment we have

In the region $0 \leq x \leq a$, $M_x = \left(\frac{P \cdot a}{L}\right) \cdot x$

And, In the region $a \leq x \leq L$, $M_x = -\frac{P \cdot a}{L}(L - x)$

So we obtain two differential equation for the elastic curve.

$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{P \cdot a}{L} \cdot x \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq a$$

and $EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\frac{P \cdot a}{L} \cdot (L - x) \quad \text{for } a \leq x \leq L$

Successive integration of these equations gives

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{P \cdot a}{L} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + A_1 \quad \text{.....(i)} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq a$$

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = P \cdot a \cdot x - \frac{P \cdot a}{L} x^2 + A_2 \quad \text{.....(ii)} \quad \text{for } a \leq x \leq L$$

$$EI y = \frac{P \cdot a}{L} \cdot \frac{x^3}{6} + A_1 x + B_1 \quad \text{.....(iii)} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq a$$

$$EI y = P \cdot a \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{P \cdot a}{L} \cdot \frac{x^3}{6} + A_2 x + B_2 \quad \text{.....(iv)} \quad \text{for } a \leq x \leq L$$

Where A_1 , A_2 , B_1 , B_2 are constants of Integration.

Now we have to use Boundary conditions for finding constants:

BCs (a) at $x = 0$, $y = 0$

(b) at $x = L$, $y = 0$

(c) at $x = a$, $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) = \text{Same for equation (i) \& (ii)}$

(d) at $x = a$, $y = \text{same from equation (iii) \& (iv)}$

We get $A_1 = \frac{Pb}{6L}(L^2 - b^2)$; $A_2 = \frac{P \cdot a}{6L}(2L^2 + a^2)$

and $B_1 = 0$; $B_2 = Pa^3 / 6EI$

Therefore we get two equations of elastic curve

$$EI y = -\frac{Pbx}{6L}(L^2 - b^2 - x^2) \quad \text{..... (v)} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq a$$

$$EI y = \frac{Pb}{6L} \left[\left(\frac{L}{b}\right)(x - a)^3 + (L^2 - b^2)x - x^3 \right] \quad \text{....(vi)} \quad \text{for } a \leq x \leq L$$

For $a > b$, the maximum deflection will occur in the left portion of the span, to which equation (v) applies.

Setting the derivative of this expression equal to zero gives

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{a(a+2b)}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{(L-b)(L+b)}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{L^2 - b^2}{3}}$$

at that point a horizontal tangent and hence the point of maximum deflection substituting this value of x

into equation (v), we find, $y_{\max} = \frac{P \cdot b(L^2 - b^2)^{3/2}}{9\sqrt{3} \cdot EI L}$

Case -I: if $a = b = L/2$ then

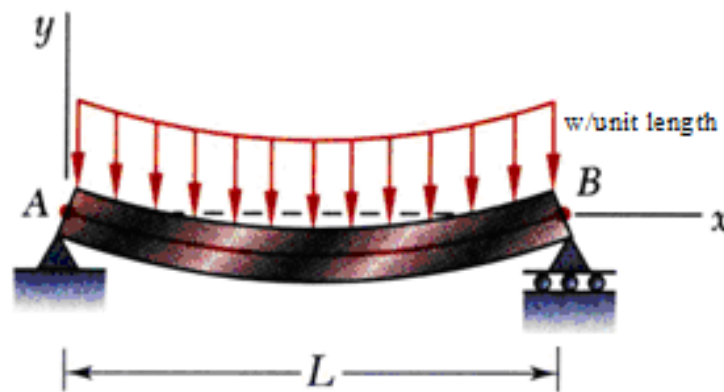
Maximum deflection will be at $x = \sqrt{\frac{L^2 - (L/2)^2}{3}} = L/2$

i.e. at mid point

$$\text{and } y_{\max} = (\delta) = \frac{P \cdot (L/2) \times \left\{ L^2 - (L/2)^2 \right\}^{3/2}}{9\sqrt{3} EIL} = \frac{PL^3}{48EI}$$

(vi) A simply supported beam with UDL (Uniformly distributed load)

A simply supported beam AB carries a uniformly distributed load (UDL) of intensity w /unit length over its whole span L as shown in figure. We want to develop the equation of the elastic curve and find the maximum deflection δ at the middle of the span.



Taking co-ordinate axes x and y as shown, we have for the bending moment at any point x

$$M_x = \frac{wL}{2} \cdot x - w \cdot \frac{x^2}{2}$$

Then the differential equation of deflection becomes

$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x = \frac{wL}{2} \cdot x - w \cdot \frac{x^2}{2}$$

Integrating both sides we get

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{wL}{2} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{w}{2} \cdot \frac{x^3}{3} + A \quad \dots(i)$$

Again Integrating both side we get

$$EI y = \frac{wL}{2} \cdot \frac{x^3}{6} - \frac{w}{2} \cdot \frac{x^4}{12} + Ax + B \quad \dots(ii)$$

Where A and B are integration constants. To evaluate these constants we have to use boundary conditions.

$$\text{at } x = 0, y = 0 \quad \text{gives } B = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = L/2, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{gives } A = -\frac{wL^3}{24}$$

Therefore the equation of the elastic curve

$$y = \frac{wL}{12EI} \cdot x^3 - \frac{w}{24EI} \cdot x^4 - \frac{wL^3}{12EI} \cdot x = \frac{wx}{24EI} [L^3 - 2Lx^2 + x^3]$$

The maximum deflection at the mid-span, we have to put $x = L/2$ in the equation and obtain

Maximum deflection at mid-span,

$$(\delta) = \frac{5wL^4}{384EI}$$

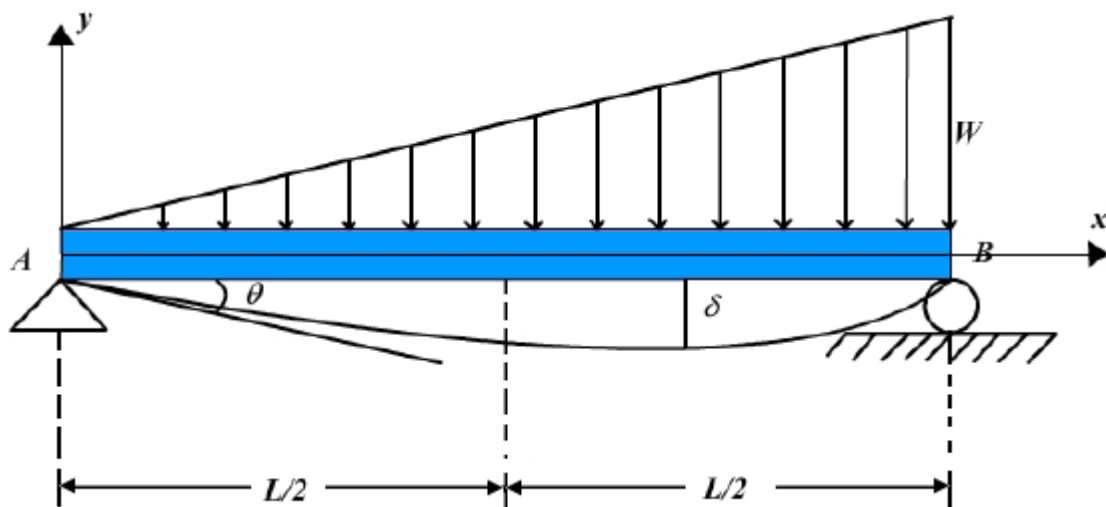
(It is downward)

And Maximum slope $\theta_A = \theta_B$ at the left end A and at the right end b is same putting $x = 0$ or $x = L$ Therefore

we get Maximum slope $(\theta) = \frac{wL^3}{24EI}$

(vii) A simply supported beam with triangular distributed load (GVL) gradually varied load.

A simply supported beam carries a triangular distributed load (GVL) as shown in figure below. We have to find equation of elastic curve and find maximum deflection (δ).



In this (GVL) condition, we get

$$EI \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} = \text{load} = -\frac{w}{L} \cdot x \quad \dots\dots(i)$$

Separating variables and integrating we get

$$EI \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = (V_x) = -\frac{wx^2}{2L} + A \quad \dots\dots(ii)$$

Again integrating thrice we get

$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x = -\frac{wx^3}{6L} + Ax + B \quad \dots\dots(iii)$$

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{wx^4}{24L} + \frac{Ax^2}{2} + Bx + C \quad \dots\dots(iv)$$

$$EI y = -\frac{wx^5}{120L} + \frac{Ax^3}{6} + \frac{Bx^2}{2} + Cx + D \quad \dots\dots(v)$$

Where A, B, C and D are integration constant.

Boundary conditions at $x = 0$, $M_x = 0$, $y = 0$
 at $x = L$, $M_x = 0$, $y = 0$ gives

$$A = \frac{wL}{6}, B = 0, C = -\frac{7wL^3}{360}, D = 0$$

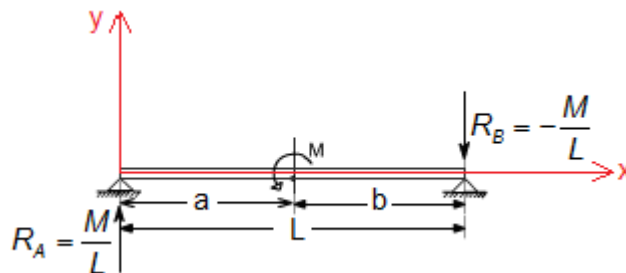
Therefore $y = -\frac{wx}{360EI} \{7L^4 - 10L^2x^2 + 3x^4\}$ (negative sign indicates downward deflection)

To find maximum deflection δ , we have $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

And it gives $x = 0.519 L$ and maximum deflection $(\delta) = 0.00652 \frac{wL^4}{EI}$

(viii) A simply supported beam with a moment at mid-span

A simply supported beam AB is acted upon by a couple M applied at an intermediate point distance 'a' from the equation of elastic curve and deflection at point where the moment acted.



Considering equilibrium we get $R_A = \frac{M}{L}$ and $R_B = -\frac{M}{L}$

Taking co-ordinate axes x and y as shown, we have for bending moment

$$\text{In the region } 0 \leq x \leq a, \quad M_x = \frac{M}{L} \cdot x$$

$$\text{In the region } a \leq x \leq L, \quad M_x = \frac{M}{L} x - M$$

So we obtain the difference equation for the elastic curve

$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{M}{L} \cdot x \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq a$$

$$\text{and } EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{M}{L} \cdot x - M \quad \text{for } a \leq x \leq L$$

Successive integration of these equation gives

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{M}{L} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + A_1 \quad \dots(i) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq a$$

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{M}{L} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} - Mx + A_2 \quad \dots(ii) \quad \text{for } a \leq x \leq L$$

$$\text{and } EI y = \frac{M}{L} \cdot \frac{x^3}{6} + A_1 x + B_1 \quad \dots(iii) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq a$$

$$EI y = \frac{M}{L} \cdot \frac{x^3}{6} - \frac{Mx^2}{2} + A_2 x + B_2 \quad \dots(iv) \quad \text{for } a \leq x \leq L$$

Where A_1 , A_2 , B_1 and B_2 are integration constants.

To finding these constants boundary conditions

- (a) at $x = 0$, $y = 0$
- (b) at $x = L$, $y = 0$
- (c) at $x = a$, $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)$ = same form equation (i) & (ii)
- (d) at $x = a$, y = same form equation (iii) & (iv)

$$A_1 = -M.a + \frac{ML}{3} + \frac{Ma^2}{2L}, \quad A_2 = \frac{ML}{3} + \frac{Ma^2}{2L}$$

$$B_1 = 0, \quad B_2 = \frac{Ma^2}{2}$$

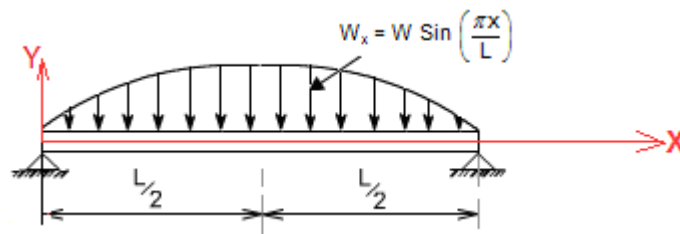
With this value we get the equation of elastic curve

$$y = -\frac{Mx}{6L} \{6aL - 3a^2 - x^2 - 2L^2\} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq a$$

\therefore deflection of $x = a$,

$$y = \frac{Ma}{3EIL} \{3aL - 2a^2 - L^2\}$$

(ix) A simply supported beam with a continuously distributed load the intensity of which at any point 'x' along the beam is $w_x = w \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$



At first we have to find out the bending moment at any point 'x' according to the shown co-ordinate system.

We know that

$$\frac{d(V_x)}{dx} = -w \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$$

Integrating both sides we get

$$\int d(V_x) = -\int w \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) dx + A$$

$$\text{or } V_x = +\frac{wL}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + A$$

and we also know that

$$\frac{d(M_x)}{dx} = V_x = \frac{wL}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + A$$

Again integrating both sides we get

$$\int d(M_x) = \int \left\{ \frac{wL}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + A \right\} dx$$

$$\text{or } M_x = \frac{wL^2}{\pi^2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + Ax + B$$

Where A and B are integration constants, to find out the values of A and B. We have to use boundary conditions

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad M_x = 0$$

$$\text{and at } x = L, \quad M_x = 0$$

From these we get $A = B = 0$. Therefore $M_x = \frac{wL^2}{\pi^2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$

So the differential equation of elastic curve

$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = M_x = \frac{wL^2}{\pi^2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$$

Successive integration gives

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{wL^3}{\pi^3} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + C \quad \dots\dots(i)$$

$$EI y = -\frac{wL^4}{\pi^4} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + Cx + D \quad \dots\dots(ii)$$

Where C and D are integration constants, to find out C and D we have to use boundary conditions

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad y = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = L, \quad y = 0$$

and that give $C = D = 0$

$$\text{Therefore slope equation} \quad EI \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{wL^3}{\pi^3} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\text{and Equation of elastic curve} \quad y = -\frac{wL^4}{\pi^4 EI} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$$

(-ive sign indicates deflection is downward)

Deflection will be maximum if $\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$ is maximum

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = L/2$$

and Maximum downward deflection $(\delta) = \frac{wL^4}{\pi^4 EI}$ (downward).

5.5 Macaulay's Method (Use of singularity function)

- When the beam is subjected to point loads (but several loads) this is very convenient method for determining the deflection of the beam.
- In this method we will write single moment equation in such a way that it becomes continuous for entire length of the beam in spite of the discontinuity of loading.
- After integrating this equation we will find the integration constants which are valid for entire length of the beam. This method is known as **method of singularity constant**.

Procedure to solve the problem by Macaulay's method

Step – I: Calculate all reactions and moments

Step – II: Write down the moment equation which is valid for all values of x . This must contain brackets.

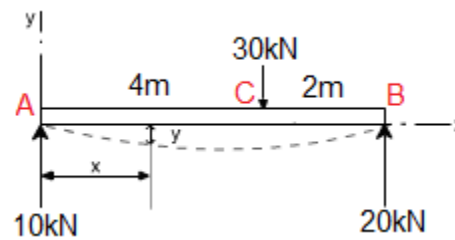
Step – III: Integrate the moment equation by a typical manner. Integration of $(x-a)$ will be

$$\frac{(x-a)^2}{2} \text{ not } \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - ax \right) \text{ and integration of } (x-a)^2 \text{ will be } \frac{(x-a)^3}{3} \text{ so on.}$$

Step – IV: After first integration write the first integration constant (A) after first terms and after second time integration write the second integration constant (B) after $A.x$. Constant A and B are valid for all values of x .

Step – V: Using Boundary condition find A and B at a point $x = p$ if any term in Macaulay's method, $(x-a)$ is negative (-ive) the term will be neglected.

(i) Let us take an example: A simply supported beam AB length 6m with a point load of 30 kN is applied at a distance 4m from left end A. Determine the equations of the elastic curve between each change of load point and the maximum deflection of the beam.



Answer: We solve this problem using Macaulay's method, for that first writes the general momentum equation for the last portion of beam BC of the loaded beam.

$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x = 10x - 30(x-4) \quad \text{N.m} \quad \dots(i)$$

By successive integration of this equation (using Macaulay's integration rule)

$$\text{e.g } \int (x-a) dx = \frac{(x-a)^2}{2}$$

We get

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = 5x^2 + A - 15(x-4)^2 \quad \text{N.m}^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{and } EI y = \frac{5}{3}x^3 + Ax + B - 5(x-4)^3 \quad \text{N.m}^3 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Where A and B are two integration constants. To evaluate its value we have to use following boundary conditions.

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad y = 0$$

$$\text{and at } x = 6\text{m}, \quad y = 0$$

Note: When we put $x = 0$, $x - 4$ is negative (-ive) and this term will **not** be considered for $x = 0$, so our

equation will be $EI y = \frac{5}{3}x^3 + Ax + B$, and at $x = 0$, $y = 0$ gives $B = 0$

But when we put $x = 6$, $x-4$ is positive (+ive) and this term will be considered for $x = 6$, $y = 0$ so our equation

$$\text{will be } EI y = \frac{5}{3}x^3 + Ax + 0 - 5(x-4)^3$$

This gives

$$EI \cdot (0) = \frac{5}{3} \cdot 6^3 + A \cdot 6 + 0 - 5(6-4)^3$$

$$\text{or } A = -53$$

So our slope and deflection equation will be

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = 5x^2 - 53 - 15(x-4)^2$$

$$\text{and } EI y = \frac{5}{3}x^3 - 53x + 0 - 5(x-4)^3$$

Now we have two equations for entire section of the beam and we have to understand how we use these equations. Here if $x < 4$ then $x-4$ is negative so this term will be deleted. That so why in the region $0 \leq x \leq 4\text{m}$ we will neglect $(x-4)$ term and our slope and deflection equation will be

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = 5x^2 - 53$$

$$\text{and } EI y = \frac{5}{3}x^3 - 53x$$

But in the region $4\text{m} < x \leq 6\text{m}$, $(x-4)$ is positive so we include this term and our slope and deflection equation will be

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = 5x^2 - 53 - 15(x-4)^2$$

$$EI y = \frac{5}{3}x^3 - 53x - 5(x-4)^3$$

Now we have to find out maximum deflection, but we don't know at what value of 'x' it will be maximum. For this assuming the value of 'x' will be in the region $0 \leq x \leq 4\text{m}$.

Deflection (y) will be maximum for that $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ or $5x^2 - 53 = 0$ or $x = 3.25\text{ m}$ as our calculated x is in the region $0 \leq x \leq 4\text{m}$; at $x = 3.25\text{ m}$ deflection will be maximum

$$\text{or } EI y_{\max} = \frac{5}{3} \times 3.25^3 - 53 \times 3.25$$

$$\text{or } y_{\max} = -\frac{115}{EI} \quad (\text{-ive sign indicates downward deflection})$$

But if you have any doubt that Maximum deflection may be in the range of $4 < x \leq 6\text{m}$, use $EI y = 5x^3 - 53x - 5(x-4)^3$ and find out x. The value of x will be absurd that indicates the maximum deflection will not occur in the region $4 < x \leq 6\text{m}$.

Deflection (y) will be maximum for that $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\text{or } 5x^2 - 53 - 15(x-4)^2 = 0$$

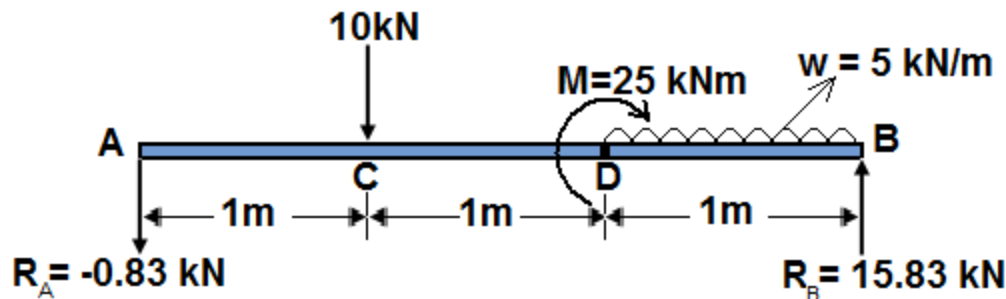
$$\text{or } 10x^2 - 120x + 293 = 0$$

or $x = 3.41 \text{ m}$ or 8.6 m

Both the value fall outside the region $4 < x \leq 6 \text{ m}$ and in this region $4 < x \leq 6 \text{ m}$ and in this region maximum deflection will not occur.

(ii) Now take an example where Point load, UDL and Moment applied simultaneously in a beam:

Let us consider a simply supported beam AB (see Figure) of length 3 m is subjected to a point load 10 kN , $\text{UDL} = 5 \text{ kN/m}$ and a bending moment $M = 25 \text{ kNm}$. Find the deflection of the beam at point D if flexural rigidity $(EI) = 50 \text{ kNm}^2$.



Answer: Considering equilibrium

$$\sum M_A = 0 \text{ gives}$$

$$-10 \times 1 - 25 - (5 \times 1) \times (1 + 1 + 1/2) + R_B \times 3 = 0$$

$$\text{or } R_B = 15.83 \text{ kN}$$

$$R_A + R_B = 10 + 5 \times 1 \text{ gives } R_A = -0.83 \text{ kN}$$

We solve this problem using Macaulay's method, for that first writing the general momentum equation for the last portion of beam, DB of the loaded beam.

$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x = -0.83x \quad \left| -10(x-1) \right| + 25(x-2)^0 \left| -\frac{5(x-2)^2}{2} \right|$$

By successive integration of this equation (using Macaulay's integration rule)

$$\text{e.g. } \int (x-a) dx = \frac{(x-a)^2}{2}$$

We get

$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{0.83}{2} x^2 + A \left| -5(x-1)^2 \right| + 25(x-2) \left| -\frac{5}{6}(x-2)^3 \right|$$

$$\text{and } Ely = -\frac{0.83}{6} x^3 + Ax + B \left| -\frac{5}{3}(x-1)^3 \right| + \frac{25}{2}(x-2)^2 \left| -\frac{5}{24}(x-2)^4 \right|$$

Where A and B are integration constant we have to use following boundary conditions to find out A & B.

$$\text{at } x = 0, \quad y = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = 3 \text{ m}, \quad y = 0$$

Therefore $B = 0$

$$\text{and } 0 = -\frac{0.83}{6} \times 3^3 + A \times 3 + 0 \left| -\frac{5}{3} \times 2^3 \right| + 12.5 \times 1^2 \left| -\frac{5}{24} \times 1^4 \right|$$

$$\text{or } A = 1.93$$

$$EI y = -0.138x^3 + 1.93x \left| -1.67(x-1)^3 \right| + 12.5(x-2)^2 \left| -0.21(x-2)^4 \right|$$

Deflection at point D at $x = 2\text{m}$

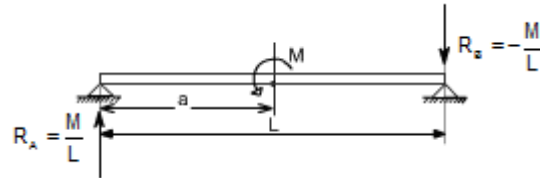
$$EI y_D = -0.138 \times 2^3 + 1.93 \times 2 - 1.67 \times 1^3 = -8.85$$

$$\text{or } y_D = -\frac{8.85}{EI} = -\frac{8.85}{50 \times 10^3} \text{m} \text{ (-ive sign indicates deflection downward)}$$

$$= 0.177 \text{mm (downward).}$$

(iii) A simply supported beam with a couple M at a distance 'a' from left end

If a couple acts we have to take the distance in the bracket and this should be raised to the power zero. i.e. $M(x-a)^0$. Power is zero because $(x-a)^0 = 1$ and unit of $M(x-a)^0 = M$ but we introduced the distance which is needed for Macaulay's method.



$$EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M = R_A x - M(x-a)^0$$

Successive integration gives

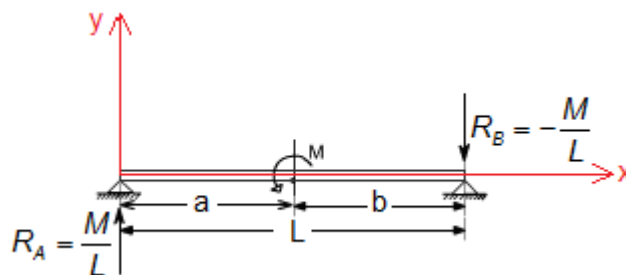
$$EI \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{M}{L} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + A - M(x-a)^1$$

$$EI y = \frac{M}{6L} x^3 + Ax + B - \frac{M(x-a)^2}{2}$$

Where A and B are integration constants, we have to use boundary conditions to find out A & B.

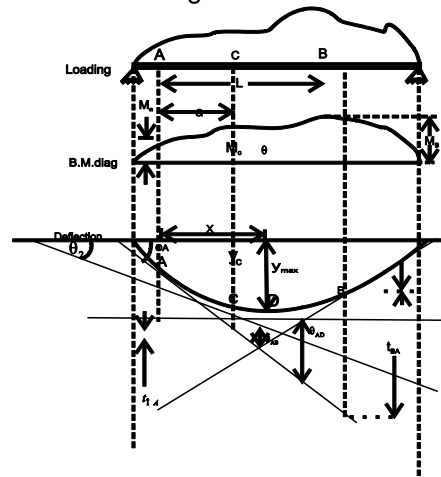
at $x = 0, y = 0$ gives $B = 0$

at $x = L, y = 0$ gives $A = \frac{M(L-a)^2}{2L} - \frac{ML}{6}$



8. Moment area method

- This method is used generally to obtain displacement and rotation at a single point on a beam.
- The moment area method is convenient in case of beams acted upon with point loads in which case bending moment area consist of triangle and rectangles.



- **Angle between the tangents drawn at 2 points A & B on the elastic line, θ_{AB}**

$$\theta_{AB} = \frac{1}{EI} \times \text{Area of the bending moment diagram between A \& B}$$

i.e. slope $\theta_{AB} = \frac{A_{B.M.}}{EI}$

- **Deflection of B related to 'A'**

$$y_{BA} = \text{Moment of } \frac{M}{EI} \text{ diagram between B \& A taking about B (or w.r.t. B)}$$

i.e. deflection $y_{BA} = \frac{A_{B.M.} \times \bar{x}}{EI}$

Important Note

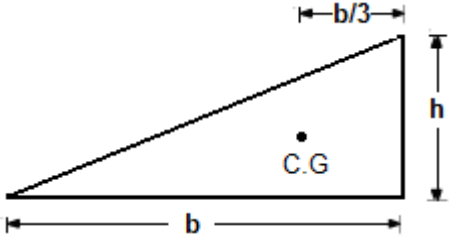
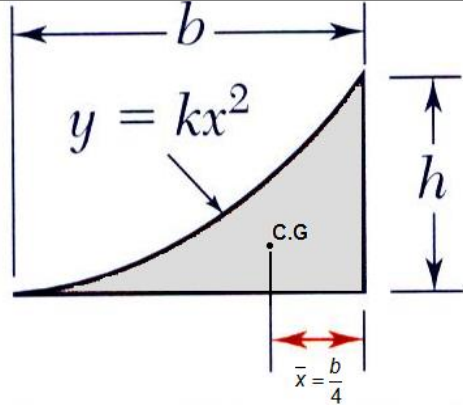
If A_1 = Area of shear force (SF) diagram

A_2 = Area of bending moment (BM) diagram,

Then, Change of slope over any portion of the loaded beam = $\frac{A_1 \times A_2}{EI}$

Some typical bending moment diagram and their area (A) and distance of C.G from one edge (\bar{x}) is shown in the following table. [Note the distance will be different from other end]

Shape	BM Diagram	Area	Distance from C.G
1. Rectangle		$A = bh$	$\bar{x} = \frac{b}{2}$

2. Triangle		$\bar{x} = \frac{b}{3}$
3. Parabola		$\bar{x} = \frac{b}{4}$
4. Parabola		
5. Cubic Parabola		
6. $y = kx^n$		
7. Sine curve		

Determination of Maximum slope and deflection by Moment Area- Method

(i) A Cantilever beam with a point load at free end

Area of BM (Bending moment diagram)

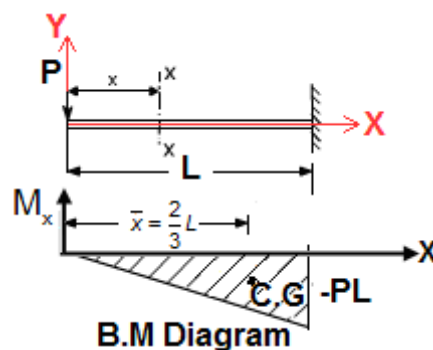
$$(A) = \frac{1}{2} \times L \times PL = \frac{PL^2}{2}$$

Therefore

$$\text{Maximum slope } (\theta) = \frac{A}{EI} = \frac{PL^2}{2EI} \quad (\text{at free end})$$

$$\text{Maximum deflection } (\delta) = \frac{A\bar{x}}{EI}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{PL^2}{2}\right) \times \left(\frac{2}{3}L\right)}{EI} = \frac{PL^3}{3EI} \quad (\text{at free end})$$



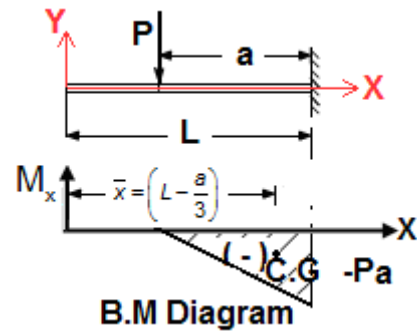
(ii) A cantilever beam with a point load *not* at free end

$$\text{Area of BM diagram (A)} = \frac{1}{2} \times a \times Pa = \frac{Pa^2}{2}$$

Therefore

$$\text{Maximum slope } (\theta) = \frac{A}{EI} = \frac{Pa^2}{2EI} \quad (\text{at free end})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximum deflection } (\delta) &= \frac{A\bar{x}}{EI} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{Pa^2}{2}\right) \times \left(L - \frac{a}{3}\right)}{EI} = \frac{Pa^2}{2EI} \cdot \left(L - \frac{a}{3}\right) \quad (\text{at free end}) \end{aligned}$$

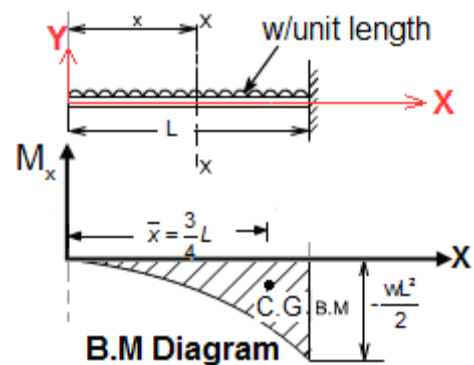
**(iii) A cantilever beam with UDL over its whole length**

$$\text{Area of BM diagram (A)} = \frac{1}{3} \times L \times \left(\frac{wL^2}{2}\right) = \frac{wL^3}{6}$$

Therefore

$$\text{Maximum slope } (\theta) = \frac{A}{EI} = \frac{wL^3}{6EI} \quad (\text{at free end})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximum deflection } (\delta) &= \frac{A\bar{x}}{EI} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{wL^3}{6}\right) \times \left(\frac{3}{4}L\right)}{EI} = \frac{wL^4}{8EI} \quad (\text{at free end}) \end{aligned}$$

**(iv) A simply supported beam with point load at mid-span**

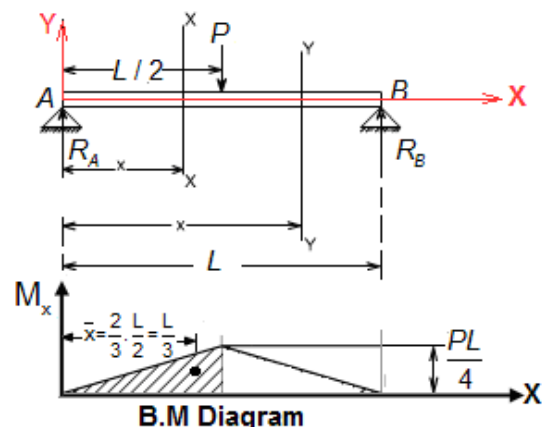
Area of shaded BM diagram

$$(A) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{L}{2} \times \frac{PL}{4} = \frac{PL^2}{16}$$

Therefore

$$\text{Maximum slope } (\theta) = \frac{A}{EI} = \frac{PL^2}{16EI} \quad (\text{at each ends})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximum deflection } (\delta) &= \frac{A\bar{x}}{EI} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{PL^2}{16} \times \frac{L}{3}\right)}{EI} = \frac{PL^3}{48EI} \quad (\text{at mid point}) \end{aligned}$$



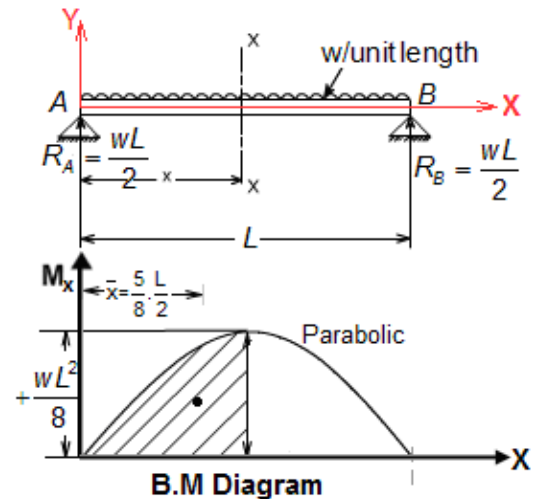
(v) A simply supported beam with UDL over its whole length**Area of BM diagram (shaded)**

$$(A) = \frac{2}{3} \times \left(\frac{L}{2}\right) \times \left(\frac{wL^2}{8}\right) = \frac{wL^3}{24}$$

Therefore

$$\text{Maximum slope } (\theta) = \frac{A}{EI} = \frac{wL^3}{24EI} \quad (\text{at each ends})$$

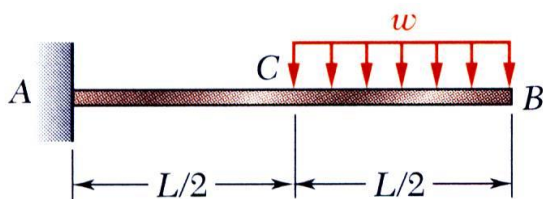
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximum deflection } (\delta) &= \frac{A\bar{x}}{EI} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{wL^3}{24}\right) \times \left(\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{L}{2}\right)}{EI} = \frac{5}{384} \frac{wL^4}{EI} \quad (\text{at mid point}) \end{aligned}$$

**9. Method of superposition****Assumptions:**

- Structure should be linear
- Slope of elastic line should be very small.
- The deflection of the beam should be small such that the effect due to the shaft or rotation of the line of action of the load is neglected.

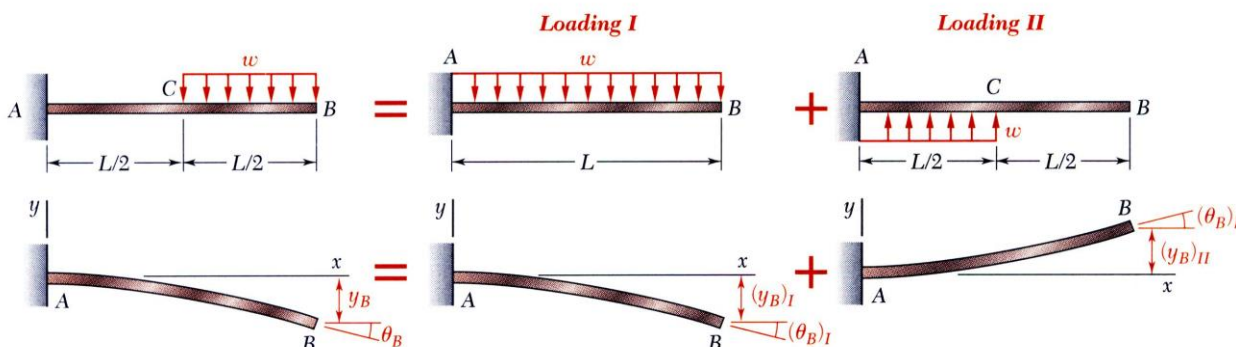
Principle of Superposition:

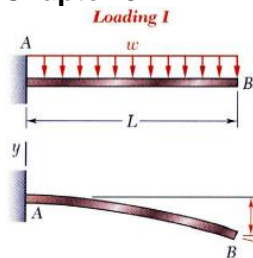
- Deformations of beams subjected to combinations of loadings may be obtained as the linear combination of the deformations from the individual loadings
- Procedure is facilitated by tables of solutions for common types of loadings and supports.

Example:

For the beam and loading shown, determine the slope and deflection at point B.

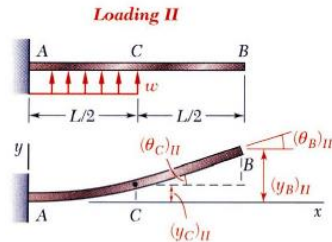
Superpose the deformations due to *Loading I* and *Loading II* as shown.





Loading I

$$(\theta_B)_I = -\frac{wL^3}{6EI} \quad (y_B)_I = -\frac{wL^4}{8EI}$$

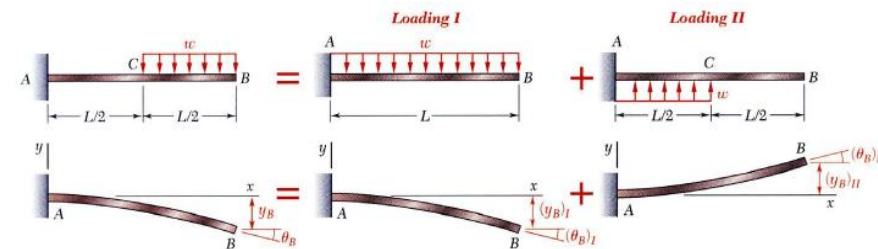


Loading II

In beam segment CB, the bending moment is zero and the elastic curve is a straight line.

$$(\theta_B)_{II} = (\theta_C)_{II} = \frac{wL^3}{48EI}$$

$$(y_B)_{II} = \frac{wL^4}{128EI} + \frac{wL^3}{48EI} \left(\frac{L}{2} \right) = \frac{7wL^4}{384EI}$$



Combine the two solutions,

$$\theta_B = (\theta_B)_I + (\theta_B)_{II} = -\frac{wL^3}{6EI} + \frac{wL^3}{48EI} \quad \boxed{\theta_B = -\frac{7wL^3}{48EI}}$$

$$y_B = (y_B)_I + (y_B)_{II} = -\frac{wL^4}{8EI} + \frac{7wL^4}{384EI} \quad \boxed{y_B = -\frac{41wL^4}{384EI}}$$

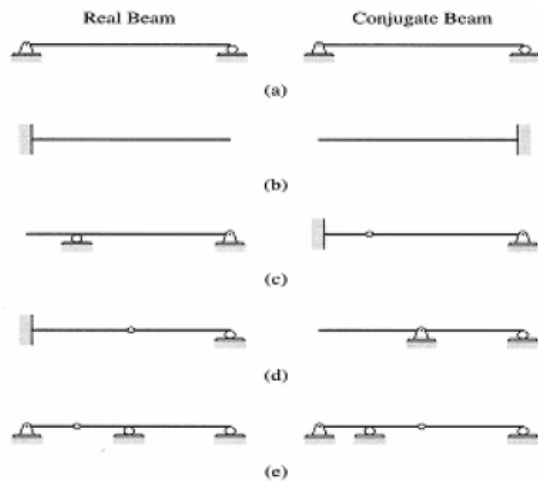
10. Conjugate beam method

In the **conjugate beam method**, the **length** of the conjugate beam is the same as the length of the actual beam, the **loading diagram** (showing the loads acting) on the conjugate beam is simply the bending-moment diagram of the actual beam divided by the flexural rigidity EI of the actual beam, and the **corresponding support condition** for the conjugate beam is given by the rules as shown below.

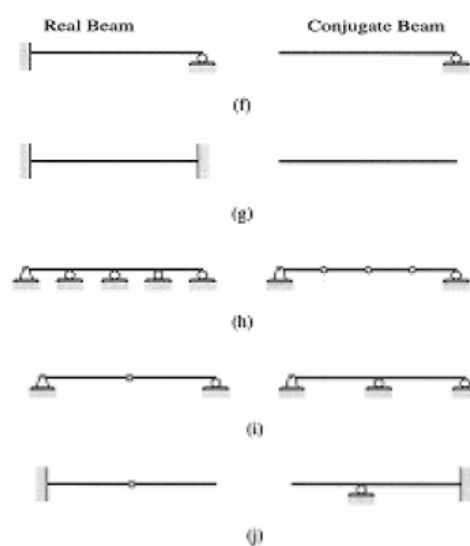
Corresponding support condition for the conjugate beam

	Existing support condition of the actual beam	Corresponding support condition for the conjugate beam
Rule 1	Fixed end	Free end
Rule 2	Free end	Fixed end
Rule 3	Simple support at the end	Simple support at the end
Rule 4	Simple support <i>not</i> at the end	Unsupported hinge
Rule 5	Unsupported hinge	Simple support

Conjugate beams for statically determinate real beams



Conjugate beams for Statically indeterminate real beams



By the conjugate beam method, the slope and deflection of the actual beam can be found by using the following two rules:

- The **slope** of the actual beam at any cross section is equal to the **shearing force** at the corresponding cross section of the conjugate beam.
- The **deflection** of the actual beam at any point is equal to the **bending moment** of the conjugate beam at the corresponding point.

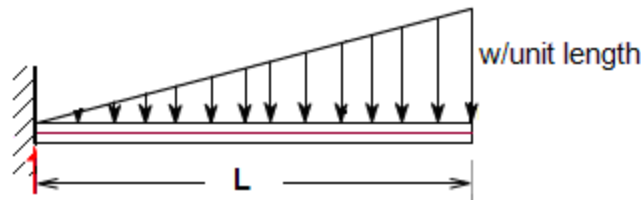
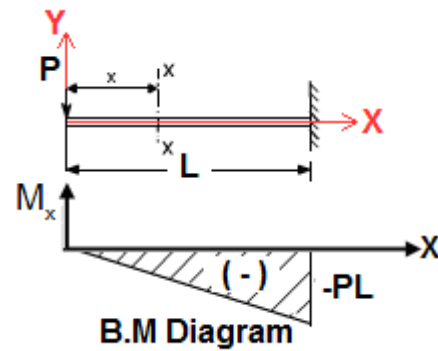
Procedure for Analysis

- Construct the M / EI diagram for the given (real) beam subjected to the specified (real) loading. If a combination of loading exists, you may use M-diagram by parts
- Determine the **conjugate** beam corresponding to the given real beam
- Apply the M / EI diagram as the **load on the conjugate** beam as per sign convention
- Calculate the **reactions** at the supports of the **conjugate** beam by applying equations of equilibrium and conditions
- Determine the **shears** in the **conjugate** beam at locations where **slopes** is desired in the **real** beam, $V_{\text{conj}} = \theta_{\text{real}}$
- Determine the **bending moments** in the **conjugate** beam at locations where **deflections** is desired in the **real** beam, $M_{\text{conj}} = y_{\text{real}}$

The method of double integration, method of superposition, moment-area theorems, and Castigliano's theorem are all well established methods for finding deflections of beams, but they require that the **boundary conditions** of the beams be known or specified. If not, all of them become *helpless*. However, the conjugate beam method is able to proceed and yield a solution for the possible deflections of the beam based on the **support conditions**, rather than the boundary conditions, of the beams.

(i) A Cantilever beam with a point load 'P' at its free end.

For Real Beam: At a section a distance 'x' from free end consider the forces to the left. Taking moments about the section gives (obviously to the left of the section) $M_x = -P \cdot x$ (negative sign means that the moment on the left hand side of the portion is in the anticlockwise direction and is therefore taken as negative according to the sign convention) so that the **maximum bending moment** occurs at the fixed end i.e. $M_{max} = -PL$ (at $x = L$)



Considering equilibrium we get, $M_A = \frac{wL^2}{3}$ and Reaction $(R_A) = \frac{wL}{2}$

Considering any cross-section XX which is at a distance of x from the fixed end.

At this point load $(W_x) = \frac{W}{L} \cdot x$

Shear force (V_x) = R_A – area of triangle ANM

$$= \frac{wL}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{w}{L} \cdot x \right) \cdot x = + \frac{wL}{2} - \frac{wx^2}{2L}$$

∴ The shear force variation is parabolic.

at $x = 0$, $V_x = + \frac{wL}{2}$ i.e. Maximum shear force, $V_{max} = + \frac{wL}{2}$

at $x = L$, $V_x = 0$

Bending moment $(M_x) = R_A \cdot x - \frac{wx^2}{2L} \cdot \frac{2x}{3} - M_A$

$$= \frac{wL}{2} \cdot x - \frac{wx^3}{6L} - \frac{wL^2}{3}$$

∴ The bending moment variation is cubic

at $x = 0$, $M_x = - \frac{wL^2}{3}$ i.e. Maximum B.M. $(M_{max}) = - \frac{wL^2}{3}$.

at $x = L$, $M_x = 0$

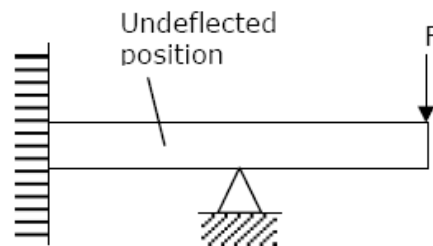
OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Beam Deflection

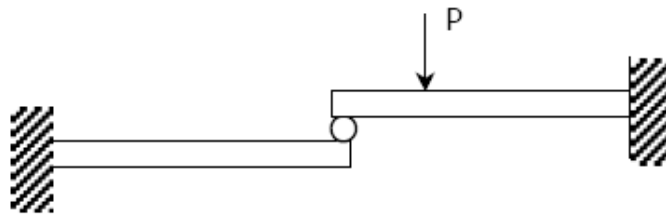
GATE-1. A lean elastic beam of given flexural rigidity, EI , is loaded by a single force F as shown in figure. How many boundary conditions are necessary to determine the deflected centre line of the beam?

- (a) 5
(b) 4
(c) 3
(d) 2



[GATE-1999]

GATE-1(i). Two identical cantilever beams are supported as shown, with their free ends in contact through a rigid roller. After the load P is applied, the free ends will have [GATE-2005]



- (a) Equal deflections but not equal slopes
(b) Equal slopes but not equal deflections
(c) Equal slopes as well as equal deflections
(d) Neither equal slopes nor equal deflections

GATE-1(ii). The 'plane section remains plane' assumption in bending theory implies:

- (a) strain profile is linear
(b) stress profile is linear
(c) both strain and stress profiles are linear
(d) shear deformations are neglected

[CE: GATE-2013]

Double Integration Method

GATE-1(iii). A cantilever beam of length L , with uniform cross-section and flexural rigidity, EI , is loaded uniformly by a vertical load, w per unit length. The maximum vertical deflection of the beam is given by [GATE-2014]

- (a) $\frac{wL^4}{8EI}$ (b) $\frac{wL^4}{16EI}$ (c) $\frac{wL^4}{4EI}$ (d) $\frac{wL^4}{24EI}$

GATE-1(iv). A cantilever beam having square cross-section of side a is subjected to an end load. If a is increased by 19%, the tip deflection decreases approximately by

- (a) 19% (b) 29% (c) 41% (d) 50% [GATE-2016]

GATE-1(v) The following statement are related to bending of beams [CE: GATE-2012]

- I. The slope of the bending moment diagram is equal to the shear force.

- II. The slope of the shear force diagram is equal to the load intensity
 III. The slope of the curvature is equal to the flexural rotation
 IV. The second derivative of the deflection is equal to the curvature.
 The only FALSE statement is

(a) I (b) II (c) III (d) IV

GATE-2. A simply supported beam carrying a concentrated load W at mid-span deflects by δ_1 under the load. If the same beam carries the load W such that it is distributed uniformly over entire length and undergoes a deflection δ_2 at the mid span. The ratio $\delta_1 : \delta_2$ is: [IES-1995; GATE-1994]

(a) 2: 1 (b) $\sqrt{2} : 1$ (c) 1: 1 (d) 1: 2

GATE-3. A simply supported laterally loaded beam was found to deflect more than a specified value. [GATE-2003]

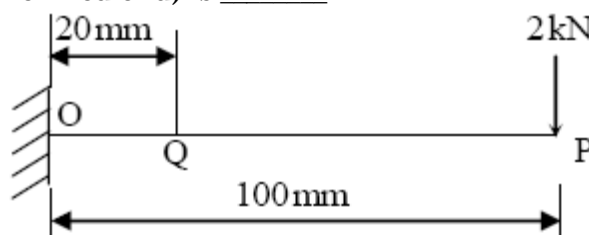
Which of the following measures will reduce the deflection?

- (a) Increase the area moment of inertia
 (b) Increase the span of the beam
 (c) Select a different material having lesser modulus of elasticity
 (d) Magnitude of the load to be increased

GATE-4. A cantilever beam of length L is subjected to a moment M at the free end. The moment of inertia of the beam cross section about the neutral axis is I and the Young's modulus is E . The magnitude of the maximum deflection is

(a) $\frac{ML^2}{2EI}$ (b) $\frac{ML^2}{EI}$ (c) $\frac{2ML^2}{EI}$ (d) $\frac{4ML^2}{EI}$ [GATE-2012]

GATE-4(i) A cantilever beam with square cross-section of 6 mm side is subjected to a load of 2 kN normal to the top surface as shown in the figure. The young's modulus of elasticity of the material of the beam is 210 GPa. The magnitude of slope (in radian) at Q (20 mm from the fixed end) is _____ [GATE-2015]



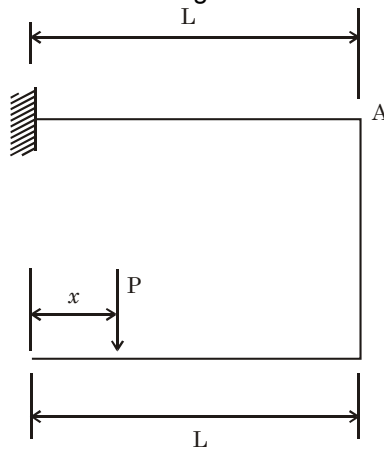
GATE-4(ii) The flexural rigidity (EI) of a cantilever beam is assumed to be constant over the length of the beam shown in figure. If a load P and bending moment $\frac{PL}{2}$ are applied at the free end of the beam then the value of the slope at the free end is

[GATE-2014, IES-1997]



(a) $\frac{1}{2} \frac{PL^2}{EI}$ (b) $\frac{PL^2}{EI}$ (c) $\frac{3}{2} \frac{PL^2}{EI}$ (d) $\frac{5}{2} \frac{PL^2}{EI}$

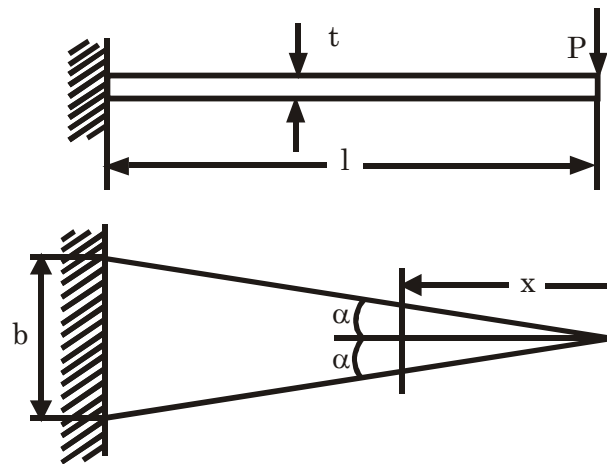
GATE-4iii. A force P is applied at a distance x from the end of the beam as shown in the figure. What would be the value of x so that the displacement at 'A' is equal to zero?

(a) $0.5L$ (b) $0.25L$ (c) $0.33L$ (d) $0.66L$

[GATE-2014]

Statement for Linked Answer Questions GATE-5 and GATE-6:

A triangular-shaped cantilever beam of uniform-thickness is shown in the figure. The Young's modulus of the material of the beam is E . A concentrated load P is applied at the free end of the beam



[GATE-2011]

GATE-5. The area moment of inertia about the neutral axis of a cross-section at a distance x measure from the free end is

(a) $\frac{bxt^3}{6l}$

(b) $\frac{bxt^3}{12l}$

(c) $\frac{bxt^3}{24l}$

(d) $\frac{xt^3}{12}$

GATE-6. The maximum deflection of the beam is [GATE-2011]

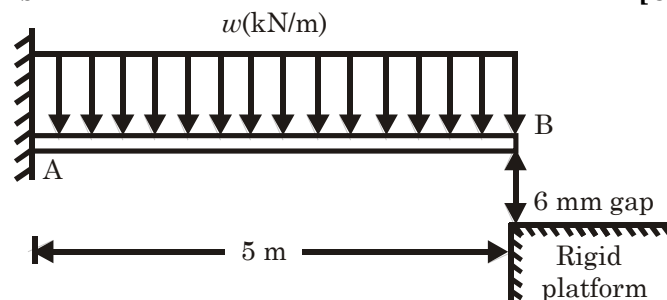
(a) $\frac{24Pl^3}{Ebt^3}$

(b) $\frac{12Pl^3}{Ebt^3}$

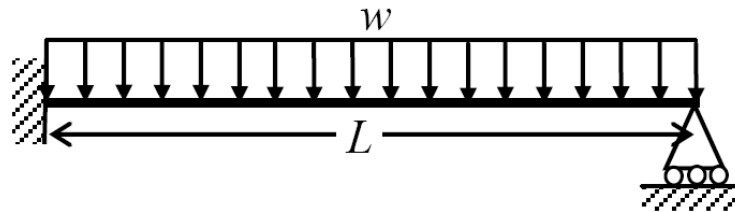
(c) $\frac{8Pl^3}{Ebt^3}$

(d) $\frac{6Pl^3}{Ebt^3}$

GATE-7. For the linear elastic beam shown in the figure, the flexural rigidity, EI is 781250 kN-m^2 . When $w = 10 \text{ kN/m}$, the vertical reaction R_A at A is 50 kN . The value of R_A for $w = 100 \text{ kN/m}$ is [CE: GATE-2004]

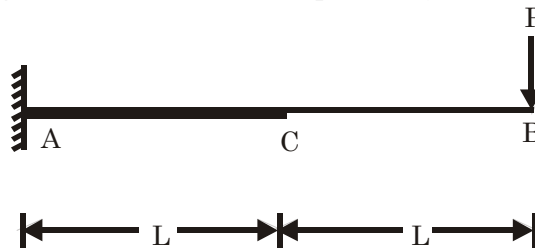
(a) 500 kN (b) 425 kN (c) 250 kN (d) 75 kN

GATE-7a. A beam of length L is carrying a uniformly distributed load w per unit length. The flexural rigidity of the beam is EI . The reaction at the simple support at the right end is [GATE-2016]



- (a) $\frac{wL}{2}$ (b) $\frac{3wL}{8}$ (c) $\frac{wL}{4}$ (d) $\frac{wL}{8}$

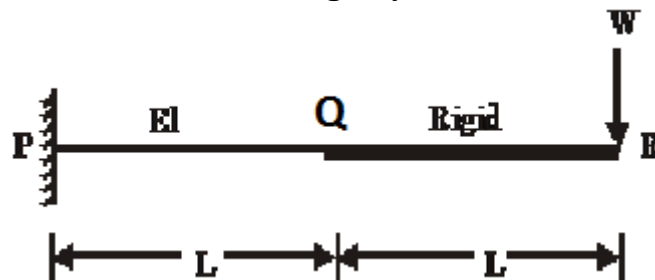
GATE-8. Consider the beam AB shown in the figure below. Part AC of the beam is rigid while Part CB has the flexural rigidity EI . Identify the correct combination of deflection at end B and bending moment at end A, respectively [CE: GATE-2006]



- (a) $\frac{PL^3}{3EI}$, $2PL$ (b) $\frac{PL^3}{3EI}$, PL
 (c) $\frac{8PL^3}{3EI}$, $2PL$ (d) $\frac{8PL^3}{3EI}$, PL

Statement for Linked Answer Questions 8(i) and 8(ii):

In the cantilever beam PQR shown in figure below, the segment PQ has flexural rigidity EI and the segment QR has infinite flexural rigidity. [CE: GATE-2009]



GATE-8(i) The deflection and slope of the beam at Q are respectively [CE: GATE-2009]

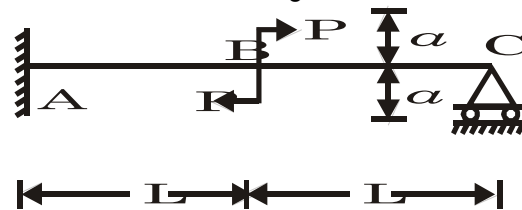
- (a) $\frac{5WL^3}{6EI}$ and $\frac{3WL^2}{2EI}$ (b) $\frac{WL^3}{3EI}$ and $\frac{WL^2}{2EI}$
 (c) $\frac{WL^3}{2EI}$ and $\frac{WL^2}{EI}$ (d) $\frac{WL^3}{3EI}$ and $\frac{3WL^2}{2EI}$

GATE-8(ii) The deflection of the beam at R is [CE: GATE-2009]

- (a) $\frac{8WL^3}{EI}$ (b) $\frac{5WL^3}{6EI}$
 (c) $\frac{7WL^3}{3EI}$ (d) $\frac{8WL^3}{6EI}$

Common Data for Questions 9 and 10:

Consider a propped cantilever beam ABC under two loads of magnitude P each as shown in the figure below. Flexural rigidity of the beam is EI . [CE: GATE-2006]



GATE-9. The reaction at C is

[CE: GATE-2006]

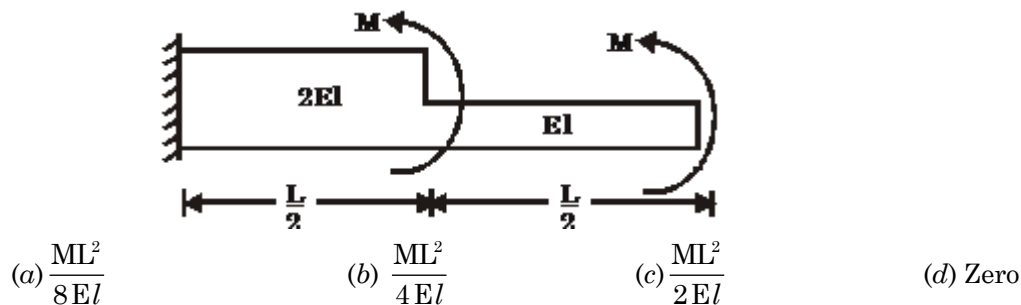
- (a) $\frac{9Pa}{16L}$ (upwards) (b) $\frac{9Pa}{16L}$ (downwards)
 (c) $\frac{9Pa}{8L}$ (upwards) (d) $\frac{9Pa}{8L}$ (downwards)

GATE-10. The rotation at B is

[CE: GATE-2006]

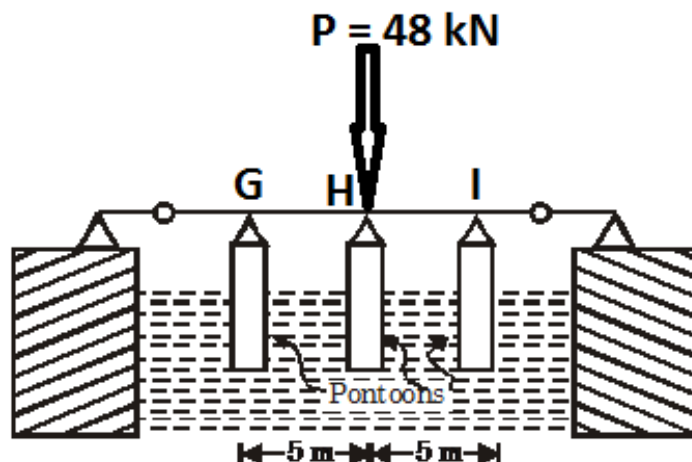
- (a) $\frac{5PLa}{16EI}$ (clockwise) (b) $\frac{5PLa}{16EI}$ (anticlockwise)
 (c) $\frac{59PLa}{16EI}$ (clockwise) (d) $\frac{59PLa}{16EI}$ (anticlockwise)

GATE-11. The stepped cantilever is subjected to moments, M as shown in the figure below. The vertical deflection at the free end (neglecting the self weight) is [CE: GATE-2008]



Statement for Linked Answer Questions 12 and 13:

Beam GHI is supported by three pontoons as shown in the figure below. The horizontal cross-sectional area of each pontoon is 8 m^2 , the flexural rigidity of the beam is $10000\text{ kN}\cdot\text{m}^2$ and the unit weight of water is 10 kN/m^3 .



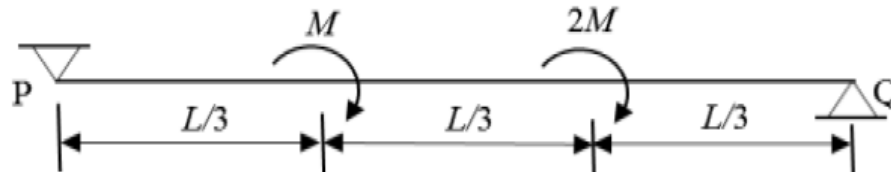
GATE-12. When the middle pontoon is removed, the deflection at H will be

- (a) 0.2 m (b) 0.4 m
 (c) 0.6 m (d) 0.8 m

[CE: GATE-2008]

- GATE-13.** When the middle pontoon is brought back to its position as shown in the figure above, the reaction at H will be [CE: GATE-2008]
 (a) 8.6 kN (b) 15.7 kN (c) 19.2 kN (d) 24.2 kN

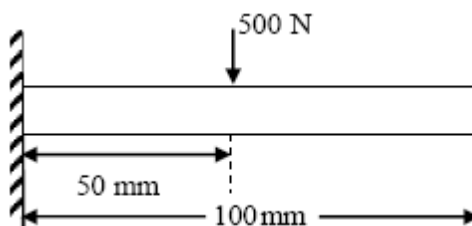
- GATE-13a.** The figure shows a simply supported beam PQ of uniform flexural rigidity EI carrying two moments M and 2M.



The slope at P will be

- (a) 0 (b) $ML/(9EI)$ (c) $ML/(6EI)$ (d) $ML/(3EI)$ [CE: GATE-2018]

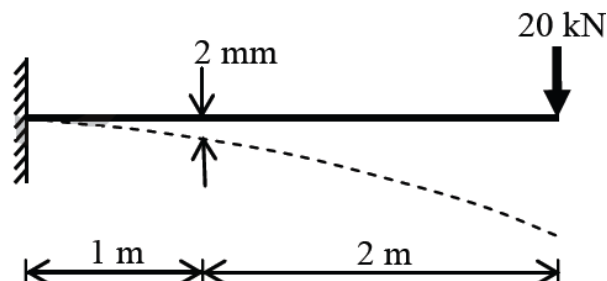
- GATE-14.** A cantilever beam with flexural rigidity of 200 Nm^2 is loaded as shown in the figure. The deflection (in mm) at the tip of the beam is ____ [GATE-2015]



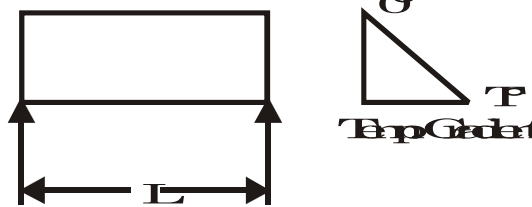
- GATE-16.** The simply supported beam is subjected to a uniformly distributed load of intensity w per unit length, on half of the span from one end. The length of the span and the flexural stiffness are denoted as l and EI respectively. The deflection at mid-span of the beam is

- (a) $\frac{5}{6144} \frac{wl^4}{EI}$ (b) $\frac{5}{768} \frac{wl^4}{EI}$ [CE: GATE-2012]
 (c) $\frac{5}{384} \frac{wl^4}{EI}$ (d) $\frac{5}{192} \frac{wl^4}{EI}$

- GATE-17.** For the cantilever beam of span 3 m (shown below), a concentrated load of 20 kN applied at the free end causes a vertical displacement of 2 mm at a section located at a distance of 1 m from the fixed end. If a concentrated vertically downward load of 10 kN is applied at the section located at a distance of 1 m from the fixed end (with no other load on the beam), the maximum vertical displacement in the same beam (in mm) is ____ [CE: GATE-2014]

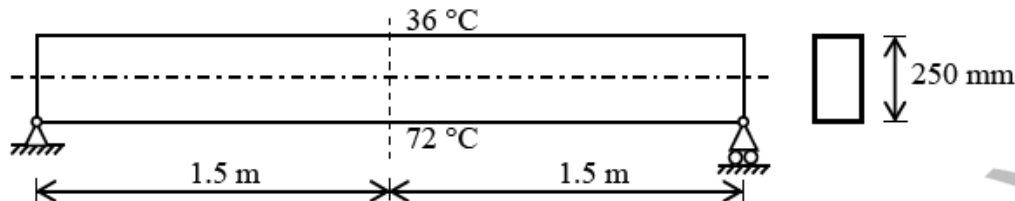


- GATE-18.** A simply supported beam of uniform rectangular cross-section of width b and depth h is subjected to linear temperature gradient, 0° at the top and T° at the bottom, as shown in the figure. The coefficient of linear expansion of the beam material is α . The resulting vertical deflection at the mid-span of the beam is [CE: GATE-2003]



- (a) $\frac{\alpha T h^2}{8L}$ upward (b) $\frac{\alpha T L^2}{8h}$ upward
 (c) $\frac{\alpha T h^2}{8L}$ downward (d) $\frac{\alpha T L^2}{8h}$ downward

GATE-19. The beam of an overall depth 250 mm (shown below) is used in a building subjected to two different thermal environments. The temperatures at the top and bottom surfaces of the beam are 36°C and 72°C respectively. Considering coefficient of thermal expansion (α) as 1.50×10^{-5} per $^\circ\text{C}$, the vertical deflection of the beam (in mm) at its mid-span due to temperature gradient is _____ [CE: GATE-2014]



Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Double Integration Method

IES-1. Consider the following statements: [IES-2003]

In a cantilever subjected to a concentrated load at the free end

1. The bending stress is maximum at the free end
2. The maximum shear stress is constant along the length of the beam
3. The slope of the elastic curve is zero at the fixed end

Which of these statements are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 2 and 3 (c) 1 and 3 (d) 1 and 2

IES-1(i). If E = elasticity modulus, I = moment of inertia about the neutral axis and M = bending moment in pure bending under the symmetric loading of a beam, the radius of curvature of the beam: [IES-2013]

1. Increases with E
2. Increases with M
3. Decreases with I
4. Decreases with M

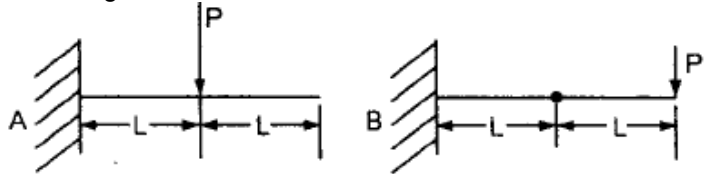
Which of these are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 (b) 2 and 3 (c) 3 and 4 (d) 1 and 4

IES-2. A cantilever of length L , moment of inertia I . Young's modulus E carries a concentrated load W at the middle of its length. The slope of cantilever at the free end is: [IES-2001]

- (a) $\frac{WL^2}{2EI}$ (b) $\frac{WL^2}{4EI}$ (c) $\frac{WL^2}{8EI}$ (d) $\frac{WL^2}{16EI}$

- IES-3. The two cantilevers A and B shown in the figure have the same uniform cross-section and the same material. Free end deflection of cantilever 'A' is δ .



[IES-2000]

The value of mid-span deflection of the cantilever 'B' is:

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}\delta$ (b) $\frac{2}{3}\delta$ (c) δ (d) 2δ

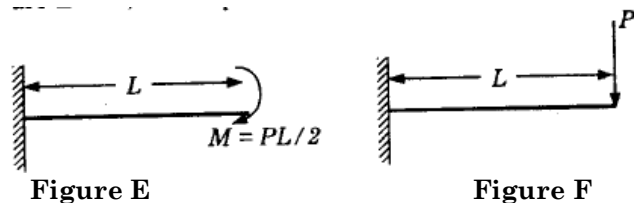
- IES-4. A cantilever beam of rectangular cross-section is subjected to a load W at its free end. If the depth of the beam is doubled and the load is halved, the deflection of the free end as compared to original deflection will be: [IES-1999]

- (a) Half (b) One-eighth (c) One-sixteenth (d) Double

- IES-5. A simply supported beam of constant flexural rigidity and length $2L$ carries a concentrated load 'P' at its mid-span and the deflection under the load is δ . If a cantilever beam of the same flexural rigidity and length 'L' is subjected to load 'P' at its free end, then the deflection at the free end will be: [IES-1998]

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}\delta$ (b) δ (c) 2δ (d) 4δ

- IES-6. Two identical cantilevers are loaded as shown in the respective figures. If slope at the free end of the cantilever in figure E is θ , the slope at free end of the cantilever in figure F will be:



[IES-1997, GATE-2014]

- (a) $\frac{1}{3}\theta$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}\theta$ (c) $\frac{2}{3}\theta$ (d) θ

- IES-7. A cantilever beam carries a load W uniformly distributed over its entire length. If the same load is placed at the free end of the same cantilever, then the ratio of maximum deflection in the first case to that in the second case will be:

- (a) $3/8$ (b) $8/3$ (c) $5/8$ (d) $8/5$

[IES-1996]

- IES-8. The given figure shows a cantilever of span 'L' subjected to a concentrated load 'P' and a moment 'M' at the free end. Deflection at the free end is given by



[IES-1996]

- (a) $\frac{PL^2}{2EI} + \frac{ML^2}{3EI}$ (b) $\frac{ML^2}{2EI} + \frac{PL^3}{3EI}$ (c) $\frac{ML^2}{3EI} + \frac{PL^3}{2EI}$ (d) $\frac{ML^2}{2EI} + \frac{PL^3}{48EI}$

- IES-9. For a cantilever beam of length 'L', flexural rigidity EI and loaded at its free end by a concentrated load W , match List I with List II and select the correct answer.

List I

- A. Maximum bending moment
B. Strain energy
C. Maximum slope
D. Maximum deflection

List II

1. WL
2. $WL^2/2EI$
3. $WL^3/3EI$
4. $W^2L^2/6EI$

Codes: A B C D

A B C D

(a)	1	4	3	2	(b)	1	4	2	3
(c)	4	2	1	3	(d)	4	3	1	2

IES-10. Maximum deflection of a cantilever beam of length 'l' carrying uniformly distributed load w per unit length will be: [IES- 2008]

- (a) $wl^4/(EI)$ (b) $wl^4/(4EI)$ (c) $wl^4/(8EI)$ (d) $wl^4/(384EI)$

[Where E = modulus of elasticity of beam material and I = moment of inertia of beam cross-section]

IES-11. A cantilever beam of length 'l' is subjected to a concentrated load P at a distance of $l/3$ from the free end. What is the deflection of the free end of the beam? (EI is the flexural rigidity) [IES-2004]

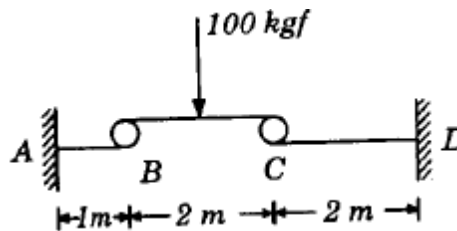
- (a) $\frac{2Pl^3}{81EI}$ (b) $\frac{3Pl^3}{81EI}$ (c) $\frac{14Pl^3}{81EI}$ (d) $\frac{15Pl^3}{81EI}$

IES-11(i). A simply supported beam of length l is loaded by a uniformly distributed load w over the entire span. It is propped at the mid span so that the deflection at the centre is zero. The reaction at the prop is: [IES-2013]

- (a) $\frac{5}{16}wl$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}wl$ (c) $\frac{5}{8}wl$ (d) $\frac{1}{10}wl$

IES-12. A 2 m long beam BC carries a single concentrated load at its mid-span and is simply supported at its ends by two cantilevers AB = 1 m long and CD = 2 m long as shown in the figure. The shear force at end A of the cantilever AB will be

- (a) Zero (b) 40 kg
(c) 50 kg (d) 60 kg



[IES-1997]

IES-13. Assertion (A): In a simply supported beam subjected to a concentrated load P at mid-span, the elastic curve slope becomes zero under the load. [IES-2003]

Reason (R): The deflection of the beam is maximum at mid-span.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

IES-14. At a certain section at a distance 'x' from one of the supports of a simply supported beam, the intensity of loading, bending moment and shear force are W_x , M_x and V_x respectively. If the intensity of loading is varying continuously along the length of the beam, then the *invalid* relation is: [IES-2000]

- (a) $\text{Slope } Q_x = \frac{M_x}{V_x}$ (b) $V_x = \frac{dM_x}{dx}$ (c) $W_x = \frac{d^2M_x}{dx^2}$ (d) $W_x = \frac{dV_x}{dx}$

IES-15. The bending moment equation, as a function of distance x measured from the left end, for a simply supported beam of span L m carrying a uniformly distributed load of intensity w N/m will be given by [IES-1999]

- (a) $M = \frac{wL}{2}(L-x) - \frac{w}{2}(L-x)^3$ Nm (b) $M = \frac{wL}{2}(x) - \frac{w}{2}(x)^2$ Nm
(c) $M = \frac{wL}{2}(L-x)^2 - \frac{w}{2}(L-x)^3$ Nm (d) $M = \frac{wL}{2}(x)^2 - \frac{wLx}{2}$ Nm

IES-16. A simply supported beam with width 'b' and depth 'd' carries a central load W and undergoes deflection δ at the centre. If the width and depth are interchanged, the deflection at the centre of the beam would attain the value [IES-1997]

- (a) $\frac{d}{b} \delta$ (b) $\left(\frac{d}{b}\right)^2 \delta$ (c) $\left(\frac{d}{b}\right)^3 \delta$ (d) $\left(\frac{d}{b}\right)^{3/2} \delta$

IES-17. A simply supported beam of rectangular section 4 cm by 6 cm carries a mid-span concentrated load such that the 6 cm side lies parallel to line of action of loading; deflection under the load is δ . If the beam is now supported with the 4 cm side parallel to line of action of loading, the deflection under the load will be: [IES-1993]

- (a) 0.44δ (b) 0.67δ (c) 1.5δ (d) 2.25δ

IES-18. A simply supported beam carrying a concentrated load W at mid-span deflects by δ_1 under the load. If the same beam carries the load W such that it is distributed uniformly over entire length and undergoes a deflection δ_2 at the mid span. The ratio $\delta_1 : \delta_2$ is: [IES-1995; GATE-1994]

- (a) 2: 1 (b) $\sqrt{2} : 1$ (c) 1: 1 (d) 1: 2

IES-18a. A beam of length L and flexural rigidity EI is simply supported at the ends and carries a concentrated load W at the middle of the span. Another beam of length L and flexural rigidity EI is fixed horizontally at both ends and carries an identical concentrated load W at the mid-span. The ratio of central deflection of the first beam to that of second beam is [IES-2014]

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 0.25 (d) 4

IES-18b. A uniform bar, simply supported at the ends, carries a concentrated load P at mid-span. If the same load be, alternatively, uniformly distributed over the full length of the bar, the maximum deflection of the bar will decrease by [IES-2017 Prelims]

- (a) 25.5% (b) 31.5% (c) 37.5% (d) 50.0%

Moment Area Method

IES-19. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IES-1997]

List-I

- A. Toughness
B. Endurance strength
C. Resistance to abrasion

D. Deflection in a beam

Code:	A	B	C	D
(a)	4	3	1	2
(c)	3	4	2	1

List-II

1. Moment area method
2. Hardness
3. Energy absorbed before fracture in a tension test
4. Fatigue loading

A	B	C	D
(a)	4	3	2
(d)	3	4	1

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Slope and Deflection at a Section

IAS-1. Which one of the following is represented by the area of the S.F diagram from one end upto a given location on the beam? [IAS-2004]

- (a) B.M. at the location (b) Load at the location
(c) Slope at the location (d) Deflection at the location

Double Integration Method

IAS-2. Which one of the following is the correct statement?

[IAS-2007]

If for a beam $\frac{dM}{dx} = 0$ for its whole length, the beam is a cantilever:

- (a) Free from any load (b) Subjected to a concentrated load at its free end
(c) Subjected to an end moment (d) Subjected to a udl over its whole span

IAS-3. In a cantilever beam, if the length is doubled while keeping the cross-section and the concentrated load acting at the free end the same, the deflection at the free end will increase by [IAS-1996]

- (a) 2.66 times (b) 3 times (c) 6 times (d) 8 times

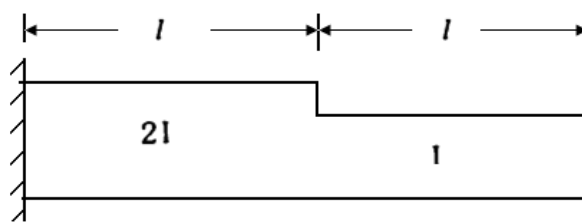
Conjugate Beam Method

IAS-4. By conjugate beam method, the slope at any section of an actual beam is equal to: [IAS-2002]

- (a) EI times the S.F. of the conjugate beam (b) EI times the B.M. of the conjugate beam
(c) S.F. of conjugate beam (d) B.M. of the conjugate beam

IAS-5. $I = 375 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^4$; $l = 0.5 \text{ m}$
 $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$
Determine the stiffness of the beam shown in the above figure

- (a) $12 \times 10^8 \text{ N/m}$
(b) $10 \times 10^8 \text{ N/m}$
(c) $4 \times 10^8 \text{ N/m}$
(d) $8 \times 10^8 \text{ N/m}$



[IES-2002]

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (d) $EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M$. Since it is second order differential equation so we need two boundary conditions to solve it.

GATE-1(i). Ans. (a) As it is rigid roller, deflection must be same, because after deflection they also will be in contact. But slope unequal.

GATE-1(ii). Ans. (a)

GATE-1(iii). Ans. (a)

GATE-1(iv). Ans. (d)

$$\delta = \frac{PL^3}{3EI} \left[\because I = \frac{a^4}{12} \right] \quad \delta = \frac{4PL^3}{Ea^4} \quad \text{or} \quad \delta \propto \frac{1}{a^4}$$

$$\frac{\delta_2}{\delta_1} = \left(\frac{a_1}{a_2} \right)^4 = \left(\frac{a_1}{1.19a_1} \right)^4 = \left(\frac{1}{1.19} \right)^4$$

$$\% \text{ Decrease} = \frac{\delta_1 - \delta_2}{\delta_1} \times 100\% = \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.19} \right)^4 \right\} \times 100\% = 50.13\%$$

GATE-1(v). Ans. (c)

We know that

$$\frac{ds}{dx} = W$$

$$\frac{dM}{dx} = S$$

$$EI \cdot \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M$$

$$\therefore \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{M}{EI}$$

$$\text{Also } \frac{M}{I} = \frac{\sigma}{y} = \frac{E}{R} \quad \therefore \frac{M}{EI} = \frac{1}{R}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{R}}$$

$$\text{GATE-2. Ans. (d)} \quad \delta_1 = \frac{Wl^3}{48EI} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_2 = \frac{5\left(\frac{W}{l}\right)l^4}{384EI} = \frac{5Wl^3}{384EI} \quad \text{Therefore } \delta_1 : \delta_2 = 8 : 5$$

$$\text{GATE-3. Ans. (a)} \quad \text{Maximum deflection } (\delta) = \frac{Wl^3}{48EI}$$

To reduce, δ , increase the area moment of Inertia.

GATE-4. Ans. (a)

GATE-4(i) Ans. 0.158 Use double integration method.

GATE-4(ii) Ans. (b)

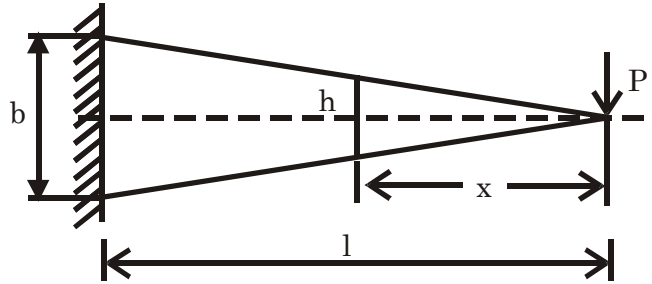
GATE-4(iii) Ans. (c) Refer theory of this book, "Let us take an funny example" ISRO-2008

GATE-5. Ans. (b) At any distance x

X-Section at x distance

Area moment of inertia about
Neutral-axis of cross-section

$$I_x = \frac{\frac{b}{l} \times t^3}{12} = \frac{bxt^3}{12l}$$



GATE-6. Ans. (d) From strain energy method

$$U = \int_0^l \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} \quad [\text{Here, } M = Px]$$

$$= \int_0^l \frac{P^2 x^2}{2E \times \frac{bxt^3}{12l}} dx = \frac{6lP^2}{Ebt^3} \int_0^l x dx = \frac{6lP^2}{Ebt^3} \times \frac{l^2}{2} = \frac{3l^3 P^2}{Ebt^3}$$

Deflection at free end

$$\delta = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P} = \frac{6Pl^3}{Ebt^3}$$

GATE-7. Ans. (b)

The deflection at the free end for

$$w(10 \text{ kN/m}) = \frac{wL^4}{8EI} = \frac{10 \times (5)^4 \times 1000}{8 \times 781250} = 1 \text{ mm}$$

The gap between the beam and rigid platform is 6 mm. Hence, no reaction will be developed when $w = 10 \text{ kN/m}$

Now, deflection at the free end for $w(100 \text{ kN/m})$ will be $= 10 \times 1 \text{ mm} = 10 \text{ mm}$

But, this cannot be possible because margin of deflection is only 6mm.

Thus, $w = 100 \text{ kN/m}$ will induce a reaction R_B at B.

$$\therefore \frac{wL^4}{8EI} - \frac{R_B L^3}{3EI} = \text{Permissible deflection}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{100 \times (5)^4}{8 \times 781250} - \frac{R_B \times (5)^3}{3 \times 781250} = \frac{6}{1000}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10}{1000} - \frac{6}{1000} = \frac{R_B \times 125}{3 \times 781250}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_B = 75 \text{ kN}$$

$$\therefore R_A = (100 \times 5 - 75) = 425 \text{ kN}$$

GATE-7a. Ans. (b) $\frac{wL^4}{8EI} = \frac{RL^3}{3EI}$ or $R = \frac{3wL}{8}$

GATE-8. Ans. (a)

Part AC of the beam is rigid. Hence C will act as a fixed end. Thus the deflection at B will be

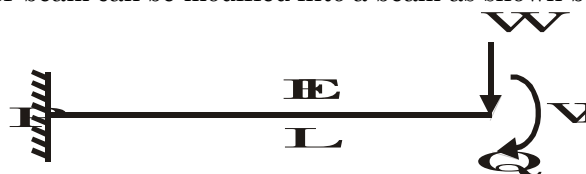
$$\text{given as } \delta_B = \frac{PL^3}{3EI}$$

But the bending moment does not depend on the rigidity or flexibility of the beam

$$\therefore \text{BM at P} = P \times 2L = 2PL$$

GATE-8(i) Ans. (a)

The given cantilever beam can be modified into a beam as shown below



$$\begin{aligned}\text{Deflection at Q} &= \frac{WL^3}{3EI} + \frac{WL \times L^2}{2EI} \\ &= \frac{2WL^3 + 3WL^3}{6EI} = \frac{5WL^3}{6EI}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Slope at Q} = \frac{WL^2}{2EI} + \frac{WL \times L}{EI} = \frac{WL^2 + 2WL^2}{2EI} = \frac{3WL^2}{2EI}$$

GATE-8(ii) Ans. (c)

Since the portion QR of the beam is rigid, QR will remain straight.

Deflection of R = Deflection at Q + Slope at Q \times L

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{5WL^3}{6EI} + \frac{3WL^2}{2EI} \times L = \frac{5WL^3 + 9WL^3}{6EI} \\ &= \frac{14WL^3}{6EI} = \frac{7WL^3}{3EI}\end{aligned}$$

GATE-9. Ans. (c)

The moment at point B = 2 Pa

In the cantilever beam ABC, the deflection at C due to moment 2Pa will be given as

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_c &= \frac{2Pa \times L}{EI} \left(L + \frac{L}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{3PaL^2}{EI} \text{ (downwards)}\end{aligned}$$

\therefore The reaction at C will be upwards

$$\delta_c = \frac{R(2L)^3}{3EI} = \frac{8RL^3}{3EI} \text{ (upwards)}$$

Thus, $\delta_c = \delta'_c$

$$\frac{3PaL^2}{EI} = \frac{8RL^3}{3EI}$$

$$\Rightarrow R = \frac{9Pa}{8L} \text{ (upwards)}$$

GATE-10. Ans. (a)

The rotation at B

(i) Due to moment

$$\theta_{B_1} = \frac{2Pa \times L}{EI} \text{ (clockwise)}$$

(ii) Due to reaction R

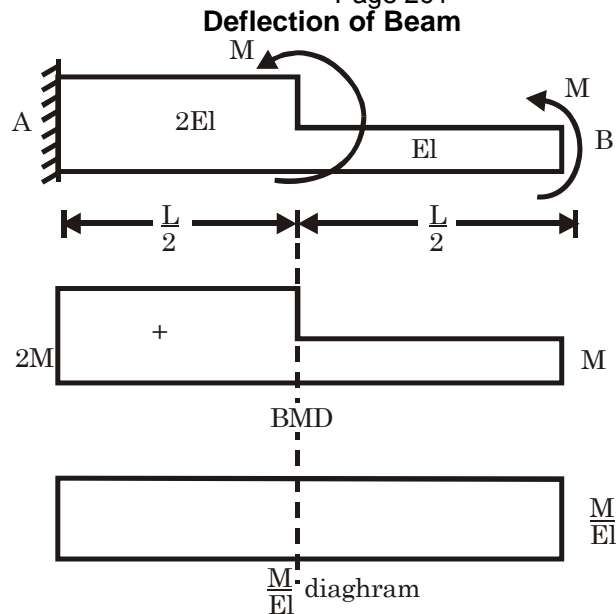
$$\theta_{B_2} = \frac{RL^2}{2EI} + \frac{RL^2}{EI} = \frac{3RL^2}{2EI} = \frac{27}{16} \frac{PaL}{EI} \text{ (anti clockwise)}$$

$$\therefore \theta_B = \theta_{B_1} - \theta_{B_2}$$

$$= \left(2 - \frac{27}{16} \right) \frac{PaL}{EI} = \frac{5}{16} \frac{PaL}{EI} \text{ (clockwise)}$$

GATE-11. Ans. (c)

Using Moment Area Method

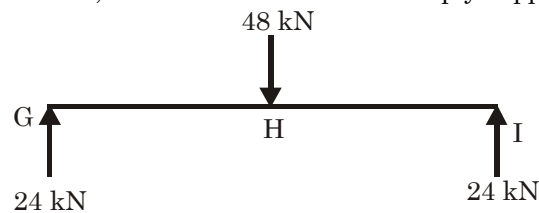


Deflection at B w.r.t. A = Moment of area of $\frac{M}{EI}$ diagram between A and B about B

$$= \frac{M}{EI} \times L \times \frac{L}{2} = \frac{ML^2}{2EI}$$

GATE-12. Ans. (b)

The reactions at the ends are zero as there are hinges to left of G and right of I. Hence when the middle pontoon is removed, the beam GHI acts as a simply supported beam.



The deflection at H will be due to the load at H as well as due to the displacement of pontoons at G and I in water. Since the loading is symmetrical, both the pontoons will be immersed to same height. Let it be x .

$$\therefore x \times \text{area of cross section of pontoon} \times \text{unit weight of water} = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow x \times 8 \times 10 = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0.3 \text{ m}$$

Also, deflection at H due to load

$$P = \frac{PL^3}{48EI} = \frac{48 \times (10)^3}{48 \times 10^4} = 0.1 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore \text{Final deflection at H} = 0.3 + 0.1 = 0.4 \text{ m}$$

GATE-13. Ans. (c)

Let the elastic deflection at H be δ .

$$\therefore \delta = \frac{(P - R)L^3}{48EI} \quad \dots(i)$$

The reactions at G and I will be same, as the beam is symmetrically loaded.

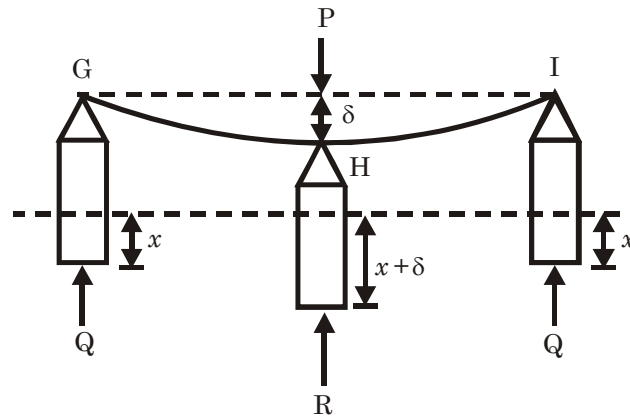
Let the reaction at each G and I be Q .

Using principle of buoyancy, we get

$$x \times \text{area of cross-section of pontoon} \times \gamma_w = Q$$

$$\Rightarrow x \times 8 \times 10 = Q$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{Q}{80} \quad \dots(ii)$$



Also, we have

$$Q + Q + R = P$$

$$\Rightarrow 2Q + R = 48 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Also, $(x + \delta) \times \text{area of cross-section of Pontoon} \times \gamma_w = R$

$$\Rightarrow x + \delta = \frac{R}{80}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Q}{80} + \delta = \frac{R}{80} \quad [\text{from (ii)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{48 - R}{2 \times 80} + \delta = \frac{R}{80} \quad [\text{from (iii)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta = \frac{2R - 48 + R}{160}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta = \frac{3R - 48}{160}$$

$$\therefore \frac{(48 - R) \times 10^3}{48 \times 10^4} = \frac{3R - 48}{160} \quad [\text{from (i)}]$$

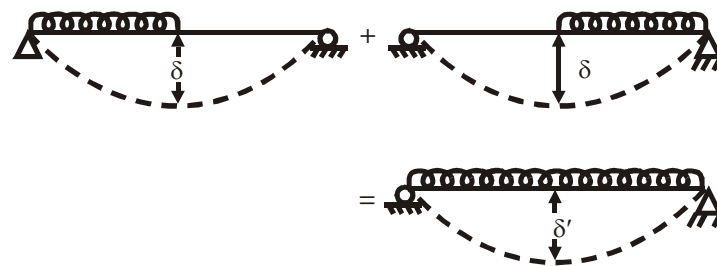
$$\Rightarrow R = 19.2 \text{ kN}$$

GATE-14. Ans. 0.26

$$\text{Deflection} = \frac{Pa^2}{2EI} (L - a/3) \quad a = 0.05 \text{ m and } L = 0.100 \text{ m} \Rightarrow \delta = 0.2604 \text{ mm}$$

GATE-13a. Ans. (c)

GATE-16. Ans. (b)



$$\Rightarrow 2\delta = \delta'$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\delta = \frac{5}{384} \frac{wl^4}{EI}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta = \frac{5}{768} \frac{wl^4}{EI}$$

GATE-17. Ans. 1.0 mm

GATE-18. Ans. (d)

The average change in temperature = $\frac{T}{2}$

The compression in the top most fibre = $\alpha \times L \times \frac{T}{2}$

Similarly, the elongation in bottom most fibre $\alpha \times L \times \frac{T}{2}$

$$\therefore \text{Strain, } \epsilon_0 = \frac{L\alpha T}{L \times 2} = \frac{\alpha T}{2}$$

Therefore deflection at midpoint is downward. Now, from the equation of pure bending, we have

$$\frac{M}{I} = \frac{E}{R} = \frac{\sigma}{y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{Curvature, } \frac{1}{R} &= \frac{\sigma}{Ey} \\ &= \frac{\text{Strain}}{y} \quad \left[\because y = \frac{h}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{2\epsilon_0}{h} = \frac{\alpha T}{h} \end{aligned}$$

Also, from the property of circle, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Deflection, } \delta &= \frac{L^2}{8R} \\ &= \frac{L^2}{8} \times \frac{\alpha T}{h} = \frac{\alpha TL^2}{8h} \text{ downward} \end{aligned}$$

GATE-19. Ans. 2.38 to 2.45 mm use same funda like GATE-18

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IES-1. Ans. (b)

IES-1(i). Ans. (d)

$$\text{IES-2. Ans. (c) } \theta = \frac{W \left(\frac{L}{2} \right)^2}{2EI} = \frac{WL^2}{8EI}$$

$$\text{IES-3. Ans. (c) } \delta = \frac{WL^3}{3EI} + \left(\frac{WL^2}{2EI} \right) L = \frac{5WL^3}{6EI}$$

$$y_{\text{mid}} = \frac{W}{EI} \left(\frac{2Lx^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{6} \right)_{\text{at } x=L} = \frac{5WL^3}{6EI} = \delta$$

$$\text{IES-4. Ans. (c) Deflection in cantilever} = \frac{Wl^3}{3EI} = \frac{Wl^3 \times 12}{3Eah^3} = \frac{4Wl^3}{Eah^3}$$

$$\text{If } h \text{ is doubled, and } W \text{ is halved, New deflection} = \frac{4Wl^3}{2Ea(2h)^3} = \frac{1}{16} \times \frac{4Wl^3}{Eah^3}$$

$$\text{IES-5. Ans. (c) } \delta \text{ for simply supported beam} = \frac{W(2L)^3}{48EI} = \frac{WL^3}{6EI}$$

$$\text{and deflection for Cantilever} = \frac{WL^3}{3EI} = 2\delta$$

$$\text{IES-6. Ans. (d) When a B. M is applied at the free end of cantilever, } \theta = \frac{ML}{EI} = \frac{(PL/2)L}{EI} = \frac{PL^2}{2EI}$$

When a cantilever is subjected to a single concentrated load at free end, then $\theta = \frac{PL^2}{2EI}$

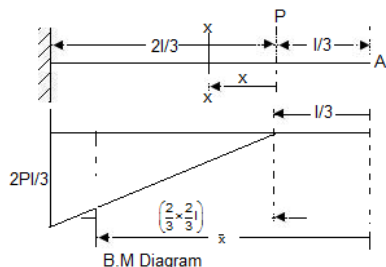
IES-7. Ans. (a) $\frac{Wl^3}{8EI} \div \frac{Wl^3}{3EI} = \frac{3}{8}$

IES-8. Ans. (b)

IES-9. Ans. (b)

IES-10. Ans. (c)

IES-11. Ans. (c)



Moment Area method gives us

$$\delta_A = \frac{\text{Area}}{EI} \bar{x} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{2Pl}{3}\right) \times \left(\frac{2l}{3}\right) \times \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{4l}{9}\right)}{EI}$$

$$= \frac{Pl^3}{EI} \times \frac{2}{9} \times \frac{7}{9} = \frac{14 Pl^3}{81 EI}$$

Alternatively
$$Y_{\max} = \frac{Wa^2}{EI} \left\{ \frac{l}{2} - \frac{a}{6} \right\} = \frac{W \left(\frac{2l}{3}\right)^2}{EI} \left\{ \frac{l}{2} - \frac{2l/3}{6} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{Wl^3}{EI} \times \frac{4}{9} \times \frac{(9-2)}{18}$$

$$= \frac{14 Wl^3}{81 EI}$$

IES-11(i). Ans. (c)

IES-12. Ans. (c) Reaction force on B and C is same $100/2 = 50$ kg. And we know that shear force is same throughout its length and equal to load at free end.

IES-13. Ans. (a)

IES-14. Ans. (a)

IES-15. Ans. (b)

IES-16. Ans. (b) Deflection at center $\delta = \frac{Wl^3}{48EI} = \frac{Wl^3}{48E \left(\frac{bd^3}{12}\right)}$

In second case, deflection $= \delta' = \frac{Wl^3}{48EI'} = \frac{Wl^3}{48E \left(\frac{db^3}{12}\right)} = \frac{Wl^3}{48E \left(\frac{bd^3}{12}\right)} \frac{d^2}{b^2} = \frac{d^2}{b^2} \delta$

IES-17. Ans. (d) Use above explanation

IES-18. Ans. (d) $\delta_1 = \frac{Wl^3}{48EI}$ and $\delta_2 = \frac{5 \left(\frac{W}{l}\right) l^4}{384EI} = \frac{5Wl^3}{384EI}$ Therefore $\delta_1 : \delta_2 = 8 : 5$

IES-18a. Ans. (d)

Deflection of simply supported beam with concentrated load at the mid span $= \frac{Pl^3}{48EI}$

Deflection of beam fixed horizontally at both ends with concentrated load at the mid span $= \frac{Pl^3}{192EI}$

Ratio of central deflections $= \frac{\frac{Pl^3}{48EI}}{\frac{Pl^3}{192EI}} = 4$

IES-18b. Ans. (c)

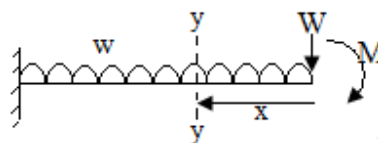
IES-19. Ans. (c)

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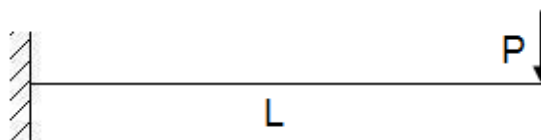
IAS-1. Ans. (a)

IAS-2. Ans. (c) udl or point load both vary with x. But if we apply Bending Moment (M) = const.

$$\text{and } \frac{dM}{dx} = 0$$



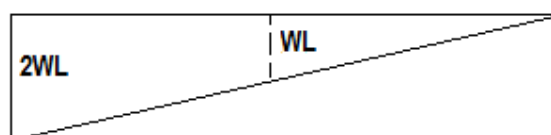
IAS-3. Ans. (d)



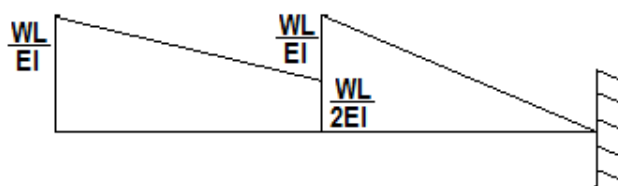
$$\delta = \frac{PL^3}{3EI} \quad \therefore \delta \propto L^3 \quad \therefore \frac{\delta_2}{\delta_1} = \left(\frac{L_2}{L_1}\right)^3 = 8$$

IAS-4. Ans. (c)

IAS-5. Ans. (c) Stiffness means required load for unit deformation. BMD of the given beam



Loading diagram of conjugate beam



The deflection at the free end of the actual beam = BM of the at fixed point of conjugate beam

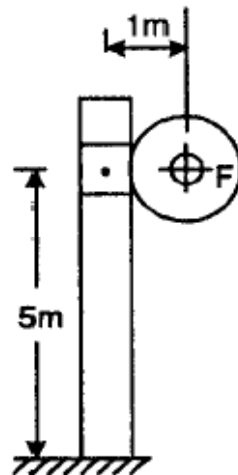
$$y = \left(\frac{1}{2} \times L \times \frac{WL}{EI}\right) \times \frac{2L}{3} + \left(\frac{WL}{2EI} \times L\right) \times \left(L + \frac{L}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times L \times \frac{WL}{2EI}\right) \times \left(L + \frac{2L}{3}\right) = \frac{3WL^3}{2EI}$$

$$\text{Or stiffness} = \frac{W}{y} = \frac{2EI}{3L^3} = \frac{2 \times (200 \times 10^9) \times (375 \times 10^{-6})}{3 \times (0.5)^3} = 4 \times 10^{10} \text{ N/m}$$

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question GATE-1999

Question: Consider the signboard mounting shown in figure below. The wind load acting perpendicular to the plane of the figure is $F = 100 \text{ N}$. We wish to limit the deflection, due to bending, at point A of the hollow cylindrical pole of outer diameter 150 mm to 5 mm. Find the wall thickness for the pole. [Assume $E = 2.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$]



Answer: Given: $F = 100 \text{ N}$; $d_0 = 150 \text{ mm}$, 0.15 m ; $y = 5 \text{ mm}$; $E = 2.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$

Thickness of pole, t

The system of signboard mounting can be considered as a cantilever loaded at A i.e. $W = 100 \text{ N}$ and also having anticlockwise moment of $M = 100 \times 1 = 100 \text{ Nm}$ at the free end. Deflection of cantilever having concentrated load at the free end,

$$y = \frac{WL^3}{3EI} + \frac{ML^2}{2EI}$$

$$5 \times 10^{-3} = \frac{100 \times 5^3}{3 \times 2.0 \times 10^{11} \times I} + \frac{100 \times 5^2}{2 \times 2.0 \times 10^{11} \times I}$$

$$\text{or } I = \frac{1}{5 \times 10^{-3}} \left[\frac{100 \times 5^3}{3 \times 2.0 \times 10^{11}} + \frac{100 \times 5^2}{2 \times 2.0 \times 10^{11}} \right] = 5.417 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^4$$

$$\text{But } I = \frac{\pi}{64} (d_o^4 - d_i^4)$$

$$\therefore 5.417 \times 10^{-6} = \frac{\pi}{64} (0.15^4 - d_i^4)$$

$$\text{or } d_i = 0.141 \text{ m or } 141 \text{ mm}$$

$$\therefore t = \frac{d_o - d_i}{2} = \frac{150 - 141}{2} = 4.5 \text{ mm}$$

Conventional Question IES-2003

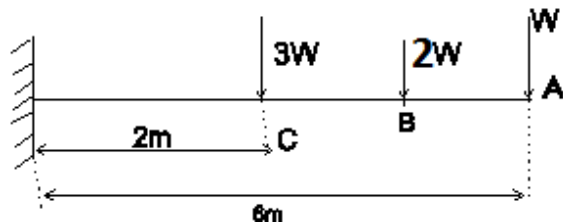
Question: Find the slope and deflection at the free end of a cantilever beam of length 6m as loaded shown in figure below, using method of superposition. Evaluate their numerical value using $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$, $I = 1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^4$ and $W = 1 \text{ kN}$.

Answer: We have to use superposition theory.

1st consider

$$\delta_c = \frac{PL^3}{3EI} = \frac{(3W) \times 2^3}{3EI} = \frac{8W}{EI}$$

$$\theta_c = \frac{PL^2}{2EI} = \frac{(3W) \cdot 2^2}{2EI} = \frac{6W}{EI}$$



$$\text{Deflection at A due to this load } (\delta_1) = \delta_c + \theta_c \cdot (6 - 2) = \frac{8W}{EI} + \frac{6W}{EI} \times 4 = \frac{32W}{EI}$$

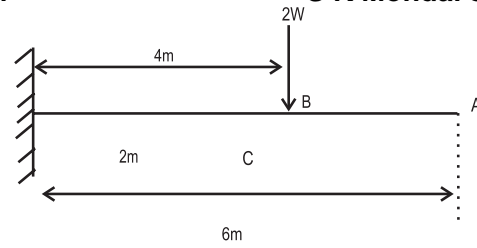
2nd consider:

$$\delta_B = \frac{(2W) \times 4^3}{3EI} = \frac{128W}{3EI}$$

$$\theta_B = \frac{(2W) \times 4^2}{2EI} = \frac{16W}{EI}$$

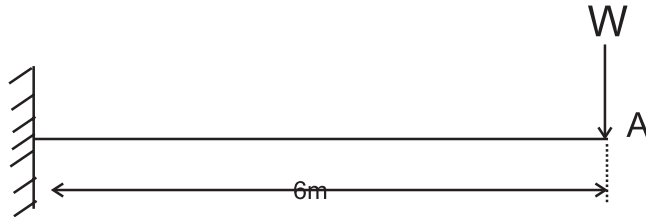
Deflection at A due to this load (δ_2)

$$= \delta_B + \theta_B \times (6 - 4) = \frac{224W}{3EI}$$

3rd consider :

$$(\delta_3) = \delta_A = \frac{W \times 6^3}{3EI} = \frac{72W}{EI}$$

$$\theta_A = \frac{W \times 6^2}{2EI} = \frac{18W}{EI}$$



Apply Superpositioning Formula

$$\theta = \theta_A + \theta_B + \theta_C = \frac{6W}{EI} + \frac{16W}{EI} + \frac{18W}{EI} = \frac{40W}{EI} = \frac{40 \times 10^3}{(200 \times 10^9) \times 10^{-4}} = 0.002 \text{ rad}$$

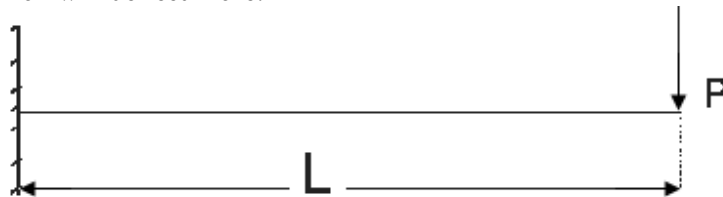
$$\delta = \delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3 = \frac{32W}{EI} + \frac{224W}{3EI} + \frac{72W}{EI} = \frac{536W}{3EI}$$

$$\delta = \frac{536 \times 10^3}{3 \times (200 \times 10^9) \times 10^{-4}} = 8.93 \text{ mm}$$

Conventional Question IES-2002

Question: If two cantilever beams of identical dimensions but made of mild steel and grey cast iron are subjected to same point load at the free end, within elastic limit, which one will deflect more and why?

Answer: Grey cast iron will deflect more.



We know that a cantilever beam of length 'L' end load 'P' will deflect at free end

$$(\delta) = \frac{PL^3}{3EI}$$

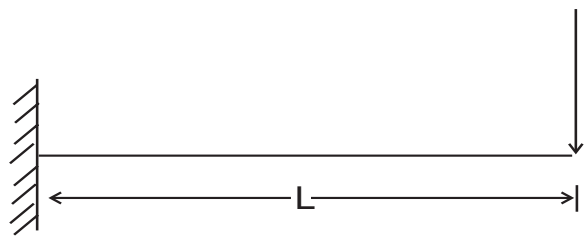
$$\therefore \delta \propto \frac{1}{E}$$

$$E_{\text{Cast Iron}} \simeq 125 \text{ GPa} \text{ and } E_{\text{Mild steel}} \simeq 200 \text{ GPa}$$

Conventional Question IES-1997

Question: A uniform cantilever beam ($EI = \text{constant}$) of length L is carrying a concentrated load P at its free end. What would be its slope at the (i) Free end and (ii) Built in end

- Answer:**
- (i) Free end, $\theta = \frac{PL^2}{2EI}$
 - (ii) Built-in end, $\theta = 0$



6.

Bending Stress in Beam

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

6.1 Euler Bernoulli's Equation or (Bending stress formula) or Bending Equation

$$\frac{\sigma}{y} = \frac{M}{I} = \frac{E}{R}$$

Where σ = Bending Stress

M = Bending Moment

I = Moment of Inertia

E = Modulus of elasticity

R = Radius of curvature

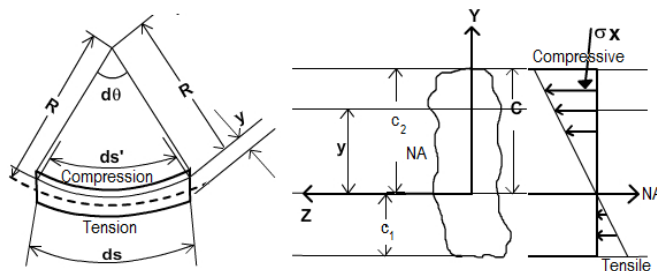
y = Distance of the fibre from NA (Neutral axis)

6.2 Assumptions in Simple Bending Theory

All of the foregoing theory has been developed for the case of pure bending i.e. constant B.M along the length of the beam. In such case

- The shear force at each c/s is zero.
- Normal stress due to bending is only produced.
- Beams are initially straight
- The material is homogenous and isotropic i.e. it has a uniform composition and its mechanical properties are the same in all directions
- The stress-strain relationship is linear and elastic
- Young's Modulus is the same in tension as in compression
- Sections are symmetrical about the plane of bending
- Sections which are plane before bending remain plane after bending

6.3



$$\sigma_{\max} = \sigma_t = \frac{Mc_1}{I}$$

$$\sigma_{\min} = \sigma_c = \frac{Mc_2}{I} \quad (\text{Minimum in sense of sign})$$

6.4 Section Modulus (Z)

$$Z = \frac{I}{y}$$

- Z is a function of beam c/s only
- Z is other name of the strength of the beam
- Section modulus is the first moment of area about the axis of bending for a beam cross-section
- The strength of the beam sections depends mainly on the section modulus

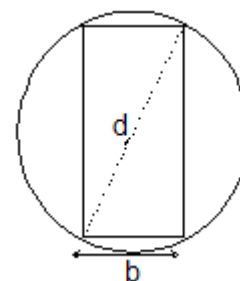
- The flexural formula may be written as, $\sigma = \frac{M}{Z}$

- Rectangular c/s of width is "b" & depth "h" with sides horizontal, $Z = \frac{bh^2}{6}$
- Square beam with sides horizontal, $Z = \frac{a^3}{6}$
- Square c/s with diagonal horizontal, $Z = \frac{a^3}{6\sqrt{2}}$
- Circular c/s of diameter "d", $Z = \frac{\pi d^3}{32}$

A log diameter "d" is available. It is proposed to cut out a strongest beam from it. Then

$$Z = \frac{b(d^2 - b^2)}{6}$$

Therefore, $Z_{\max} = \frac{bd^3}{9}$ for $b = \frac{d}{\sqrt{3}}$



6.5 Flexural Rigidity (EI)

Reflects both

- Stiffness of the material (measured by E)
- Proportions of the c/s area (measured by I)

6.6 Axial Rigidity = EA

6.7 Beam of uniform strength

It is one in which the maximum bending stress is same in every section along the longitudinal axis.

For it $M \propto bh^2$

Where b = Width of beam

h = Height of beam

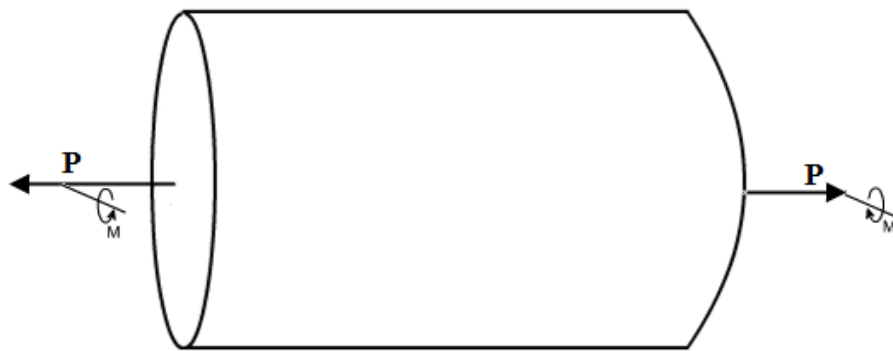
To make Beam of uniform strength the section of the beam may be varied by

- Keeping the width constant throughout the length and varying the depth, (*Most widely used*)
- Keeping the depth constant throughout the length and varying the width
- By varying both width and depth suitably.

6.8 Bending stress due to additional Axial thrust (P).

A shaft may be subjected to a combined bending and axial thrust. This type of situation arises in various machine elements.

If P = Axial thrust



Then direct stress (σ_d) = P / A (stress due to axial thrust)

This direct stress (σ_d) may be tensile or compressive depending upon the load P is tensile or compressive.

And the bending stress (σ_b) = $\frac{My}{I}$ is varying linearly from zero at centre and extremum (minimum or maximum) at top and bottom fibres.

If P is compressive then

- At top fibre $\sigma = \frac{P}{A} + \frac{My}{I}$ (compressive)
- At mid fibre $\sigma = \frac{P}{A}$ (compressive)
- At bottom fibre $\sigma = \frac{P}{A} - \frac{My}{I}$ (compressive)

6.9 Load acting eccentrically to one axis

- $\sigma_{\max} = \frac{P}{A} + \frac{(P \times e)y}{I}$ where 'e' is the eccentricity at which 'P' is act.
- $\sigma_{\min} = \frac{P}{A} - \frac{(P \times e)y}{I}$

Condition for No tension in any section

- For no tension in any section, the eccentricity must not exceed $\frac{2k^2}{d}$

[Where d = depth of the section; k = radius of gyration of c/s]

- For rectangular section (b x h), $e \leq \frac{h}{6}$ i.e load will be $2e = \frac{h}{3}$ of the middle section.
- For circular section of diameter 'd', $e \leq \frac{d}{8}$ i.e. diameter of the kernel, $2e = \frac{d}{4}$

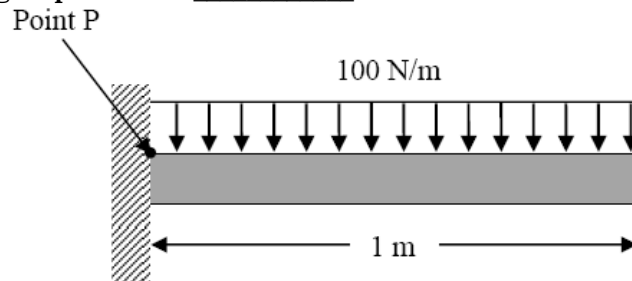
For hollow circular section of diameter 'd', $e \leq \frac{D^2 + d^2}{8D}$ i.e. diameter of the kernel, $2e \leq \frac{D^2 + d^2}{4D}$.

OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

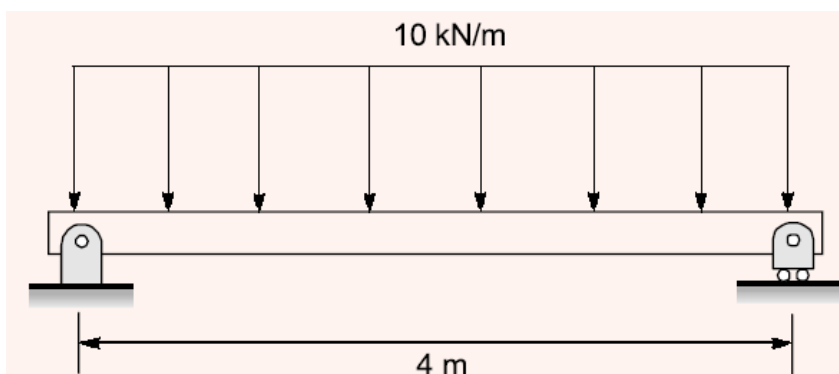
Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Bending equation

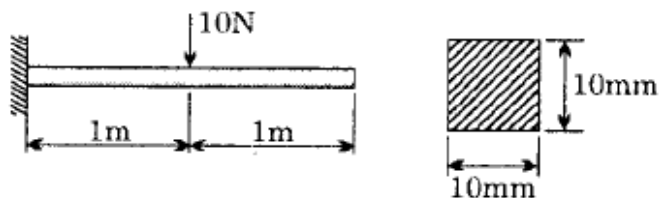
- GATE-1. A $1\text{ m} \times 10\text{ mm} \times 10\text{ mm}$ cantilever beam is subjected to a uniformly distributed load per unit length of 100 N/m as shown in the figure below. The normal stress (in MPa) due to bending at point P is _____. [PI: GATE-2016]



- GATE-2. A simply supported beam of width 100 mm , height 200 mm and length 4 m is carrying a uniformly distributed load of intensity 10 kN/m . The maximum bending stress (in MPa) in the beam is (correct to one decimal place) [GATE-2018]



- GATE-3. A cantilever beam has the square cross section $10\text{ mm} \times 10\text{ mm}$. It carries a transverse load of 10 N . Considering only the bottom fibres of the beam, the correct representation of the longitudinal variation of the bending stress is:



[GATE-2005]

- (a) (b)
- (c) (d)

GATE-4. A homogeneous, simply supported prismatic beam of width B , depth D and span L is subjected to a concentrated load of magnitude P . The load can be placed anywhere along the span of the beam. The maximum flexural stress developed in beam is

(a) $\frac{2}{3} \frac{PL}{BD^2}$

(b) $\frac{3}{4} \frac{PL}{BD^2}$

[CE: GATE-2004]

(c) $\frac{4}{3} \frac{PL}{BD^2}$

(d) $\frac{3}{2} \frac{PL}{BD^2}$

GATE-4a. A cantilever beam of length 2 m with a square section of side length 0.1 m is loaded vertically at the free end. The vertical displacement at the free end is 5 mm. The beam is made of steel with Young's modulus of 2.0×10^{11} N/m². The maximum bending stress at the fixed end of the cantilever is

[CE: GATE-2018]

(a) 20.0 MPa

(b) 37.5 MPa

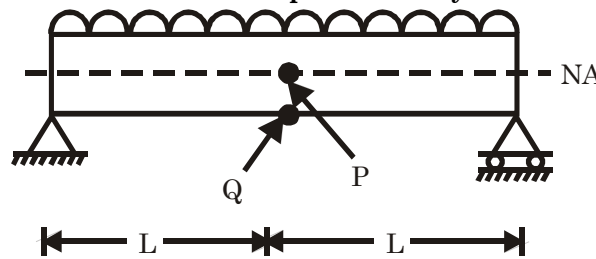
(c) 60.0 MPa

(d) 75.0 MPa

GATE-4b. An 8 m long simply-supported elastic beam of rectangular cross-section (100 mm \times 200 mm) is subjected to a uniformly distributed load of 10 kN/m over its entire span. The maximum principal stress (in MPa, up to two decimal places) at a point located at the extreme compression edge of a cross-section and at 2 m from the support is _____

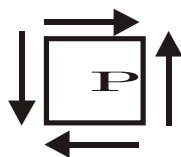
[CE: GATE-2018]

GATE-5. Consider a simply supported beam with a uniformly distributed load having a neutral axis (NA) as shown. For points P (on the neutral axis) and Q (at the bottom of the beam) the state of stress is best represented by which of the following pairs?

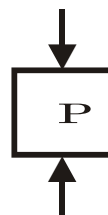


[CE: GATE-2011]

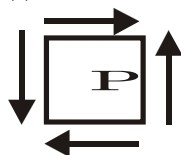
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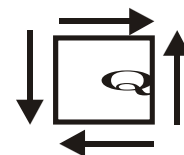
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(c)



(d)



GATE-6. Two beams, one having square cross section and another circular cross-section, are subjected to the same amount of bending moment. If the cross sectional area as well as the material of both the beams are the same then

[GATE-2003]

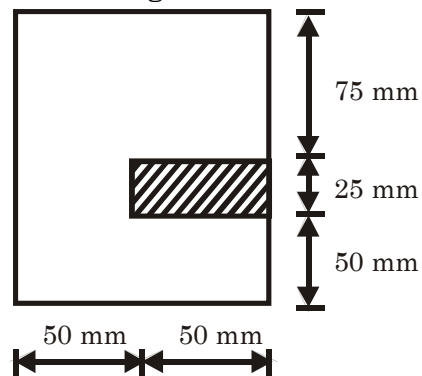
(a) Maximum bending stress developed in both the beams is the same

(b) The circular beam experiences more bending stress than the square one

(c) The square beam experiences more bending stress than the circular one

(d) As the material is same both the beams will experience same deformation

GATE-7. A beam with the cross-section given below is subjected to a positive bending moment (causing compression at the top) of 16 kN-m acting around the horizontal axis. The tensile force acting on the hatched area of the cross-section is



(a) zero

(b) 5.9 kN

(c) 8.9 kN

(d) 17.8 kN

[CE: GATE-2006]

Section Modulus

GATE-8. The first moment of area about the axis of bending for a beam cross-section is

(a) moment of inertia

(b) section modulus

[CE: GATE-2014]

(c) shape factor

(d) polar moment of inertia

GATE-9. Consider a beam with circular cross-section of diameter d . The ratio of the second moment of area about the neutral axis to the section modulus of the area is

(a) $\frac{d}{2}$ (b) $\frac{\pi d}{2}$ (c) d (d) πd

[GATE-2017]

GATE-10. Match the items in Columns I and II

[GATE-2006]

Column-I

P. Addendum

Q. Instantaneous centre of velocity

R. Section modulus

S. Prime circle

(a) P - 4, Q - 2, R - 3, S - 1

(c) P - 3, Q - 2, R - 1, S - 4

Column-II

1. Cam

2. Beam

3. Linkage

4. Gear

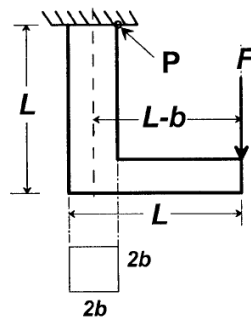
(b) P - 4, Q - 3, R - 2, S - 1

(d) P - 3, Q - 4, R - 1, S - 2

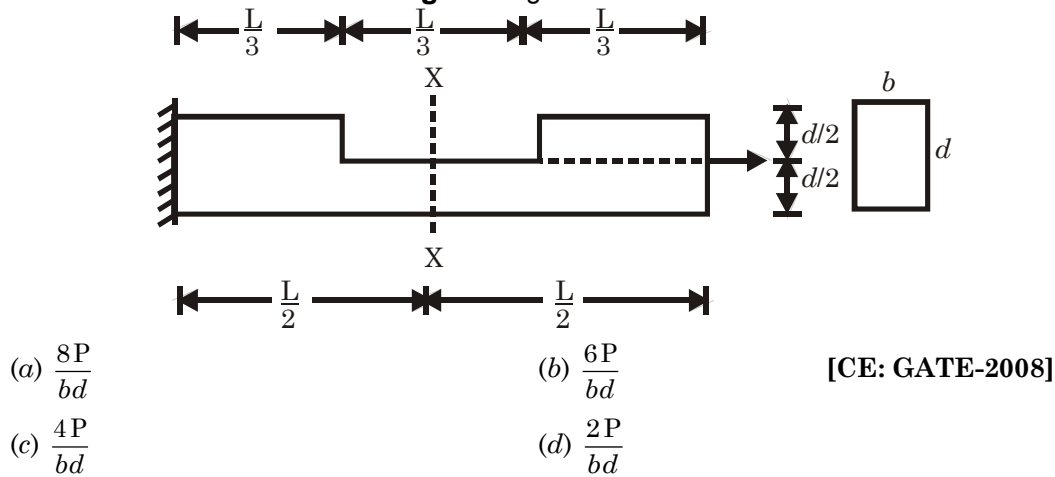
Combined direct and bending stress

GATE-11. For the component loaded with a force F as shown in the figure, the axial stress at the corner point P is:

[GATE-2008, ISRO-2015]

(a) $\frac{F(3L-b)}{4b^3}$ (b) $\frac{F(3L+b)}{4b^3}$ (c) $\frac{F(3L-4b)}{4b^3}$ (d) $\frac{F(3L-2b)}{4b^3}$

GATE-12. The maximum tensile stress at the section X-X shown in the figure below is



Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Bending equation

IES-1. Consider the following statements

[IES-2014]

1. Cross-section of a member of truss experiences uniform stress
2. Cross-section of a beam experiences minimum stress
3. Cross-section of a beam experiences linearly varying stress
4. Cross-sections of truss members experience only compressive stress.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 (b) 1 and 3 (c) 1 and 4 (d) 3 and 4

IES-1(i). Beam A is simply supported at its ends and carries udl of intensity w over its entire length. It is made of steel having Young's modulus E . Beam B is cantilever and carries a udl of intensity $w/4$ over its entire length. It is made of brass having Young's modulus $E/2$. The two beams are of same length and have same cross-sectional area. If σ_A and σ_B denote the maximum bending stresses developed in beams A and B, respectively, then which one of the following is correct?

[IES-2005]

- (a) σ_A/σ_B (b) $\sigma_A/\sigma_B < 1.0$
 (c) $\sigma_A/\sigma_B > 1.0$ (d) σ_A/σ_B depends on the shape of cross-section

IES-2. If the area of cross-section of a circular section beam is made four times, keeping the loads, length, support conditions and material of the beam unchanged, then the qualities (List-I) will change through different factors (List-II). Match the List-I with the List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists:

List-I

List-II

[IES-2005]

- A. Maximum BM
 B. Deflection
 C. Bending Stress
 D. Section Modulus

1. 8
 2. 1
 3. $1/8$
 4. $1/16$

Codes:

- | | A | B | C | D | | A | B | C | D |
|-----|---|---|---|---|-----|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 | (b) | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| (c) | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 | (d) | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 |

IES-3. Consider the following statements in case of beams:

[IES-2002]

1. Rate of change of shear force is equal to the rate of loading at a particular section
2. Rate of change of bending moment is equal to the shear force at a particular section.
3. Maximum shear force in a beam occurs at a point where bending moment is either zero or bending moment changes sign

Which of the above statements are correct?

(a) 1 alone

(b) 2 alone

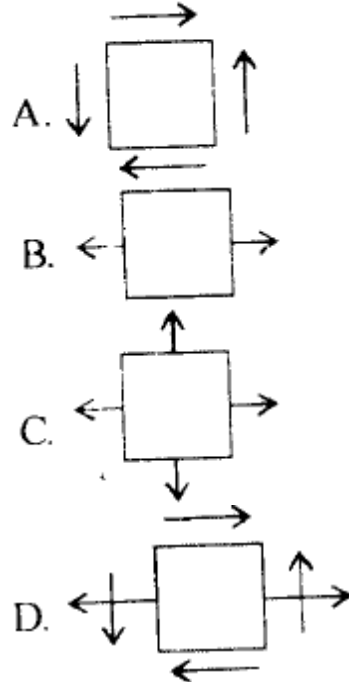
(c) 1 and 2

(d) 1, 2 and 3

IES-4. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists: [IES-2006]

List-I (State of Stress)

List-II (Kind of Loading)



1. Combined bending and torsion of circular shaft

2. Torsion of circular shaft

3. Thin cylinder subjected to internal pressure

4. Tie bar subjected to tensile force

Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	2	1	3	4	(b)	3	4	2	1
(c)	2	4	3	1	(d)	3	1	2	4

IES-4a. A T-section beam is simply supported and subjected to a uniform distributed load over its whole span. Maximum longitudinal stress at [IES-2011]

(a) Top fibre of the flange

(b) The junction of web and flange

(c) The mid-section of the web

(d) The bottom fibre of the web

IES-4b. A rotating shaft carrying a unidirectional transverse load is subjected to:

(a) Variable bending stress

(b) Variable shear stress

[IES-2013]

(c) Constant bending stress

(d) Constant shear stress

IES-4c. Statement (I): A circular cross section column with diameter ' d ' is to be axially loaded in compression. For this the core of the section is considered to be a concentric circular area of diameter ' $\frac{d}{4}$ '. [IES-2013]

Statement (II): We can drill and take out a cylindrical volume of material with diameter ' $\frac{d}{4}$ ' in order to make the column lighter and still maintaining the same buckling (crippling) load carrying capacity.

(a) Both Statement (I) and Statement (II) are individually true and Statement (II) is the correct explanation of Statement (I)

(b) Both Statement (I) and Statement (II) are individually true but Statement (II) is not the correct explanation of Statement (I)

(c) Statement (I) is true but Statement (II) is false

(d) Statement (I) is false but Statement (II) is true

Section Modulus

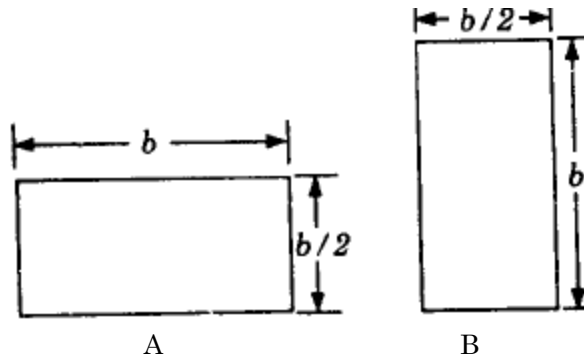
IES-5. Two beams of equal cross-sectional area are subjected to equal bending moment. If one beam has square cross-section and the other has circular section, then

- (a) Both beams will be equally strong
 (b) Circular section beam will be stronger
 (c) Square section beam will be stronger
 (d) The strength of the beam will depend on the nature of loading
- [IES-1999, 2016]

IES-6. A beam cross-section is used in two different orientations as shown in the given figure:

Bending moments applied to the beam in both cases are same. The maximum bending stresses induced in cases (A) and (B) are related as:

- (a) $\sigma_A = 4\sigma_B$ (b) $\sigma_A = 2\sigma_B$
 (c) $\sigma_A = \frac{\sigma_B}{2}$ (d) $\sigma_A = \frac{\sigma_B}{4}$



[IES-1997]

IES-6(i). A beam with a rectangular section of 120 mm × 60 mm, designed to be placed vertically is placed horizontally by mistake. If the maximum stress is to be limited, the reduction in load carrying capacity would be

- (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{1}{3}$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{6}$
- [IES-2012]

IES-6(ii). A cantilever of length 1.2 m carries a concentrated load of 12 kN at the free end. The beam is of rectangular cross section with breadth equal to half the depth. The maximum stress due to bending is not to exceed 100 N/mm². The minimum depth of the beam should be

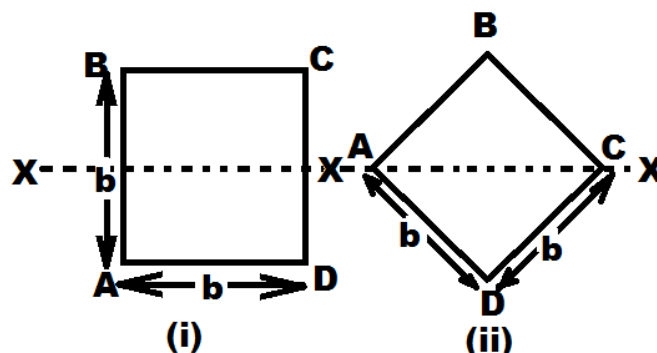
- (a) 120 mm (b) 60 mm (c) 75 mm (d) 240 mm
- [IES-2015]

IES-7. A horizontal beam with square cross-section is simply supported with sides of the square horizontal and vertical and carries a distributed loading that produces maximum bending stress σ in the beam. When the beam is placed with one of the diagonals horizontal the maximum bending stress will be:

- (a) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\sigma$ (b) σ (c) $\sqrt{2}\sigma$ (d) 2σ
- [IES-1993]

IES-7(i). The ratio of the moments of resistance of a square beam (Z) when square section is placed (i) with two sides horizontal (Z_1) and (ii) with a diagonal horizontal (Z_2) as shown is

- (a) $\frac{Z_1}{Z_2} = 1.0$ (b) $\frac{Z_1}{Z_2} = 2.0$ (c) $\frac{Z_1}{Z_2} = \sqrt{2}$ (d) $\frac{Z_1}{Z_2} = 1.5$
- [IES-2012]



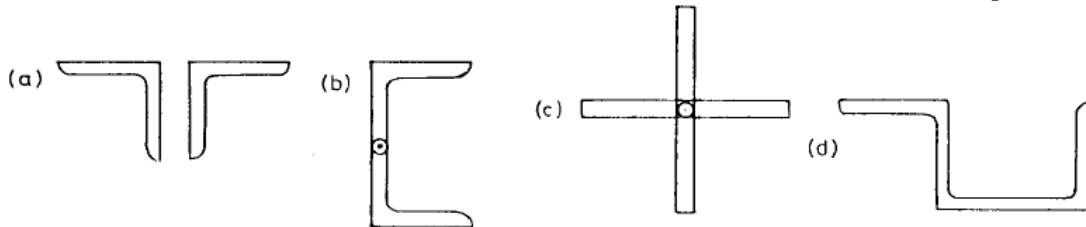
IES-8. A bar of rectangular cross section ($b \times 2b$) and another beam of circular cross-section (diameter= d) are made of the same material, and subjected to same bending moment and have the same maximum stress developed. The ratio of weights of rectangular bar and circular bar [IES-2014]

- (a) $\frac{(2\pi)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{3\pi}$ (b) $\sqrt{\pi}$ (c) $\sqrt{3\pi}$ (d) $\frac{3^{\frac{2}{3}}}{2(\pi)^{\frac{1}{3}}}$

IES-8(i). For a rectangular beam, if the beam depth is doubled, keeping the width, length and loading same, the bending stress is decreased by a factor [IES-2015]

- (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 8

IES-9. Which one of the following combinations of angles will carry the maximum load as a column? [IES-1994]



IES-9a. Assertion (A): For structures steel I-beams preferred to other shapes.

Reason (R): In I-beams a large portion of their cross-section is located far from the neutral axis. [IES-1992, IES-2014]

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IES-9b. In the design of beams for a given strength, consider that the conditions of economy of use of the material would avail as follows: [IES-2017 Prelims]

1. Rectangular cross-section is more economical than square section area of the beam.
2. Circular section is more economical than square section.
3. I-section is more economical than a rectangular section of the same depth.

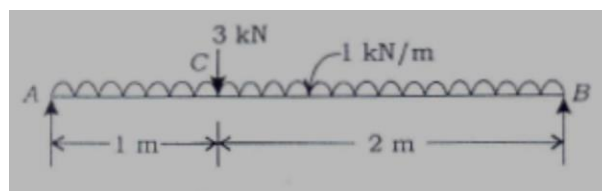
Which of the above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 1 and 2 only (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1 and 3 only

IES-10. A beam of length L simply supported at its ends carrying a total load W uniformly distributed over its entire length deflects at the centre by δ and has a maximum bending stress σ . If the load is substituted by a concentrated load W_1 at mid span such that the deflection at centre remains unchanged, the magnitude of the load W_1 and the maximum bending stress will be [IES-2015]

- (a) $0.3 W$ and 0.3σ (b) $0.6 W$ and 0.5σ (c) $0.3 W$ and 0.6σ (d) $0.6 W$ and 0.3σ

IES-10a. A beam AB simply supported at its ends A and B, 3 m long, carries a uniformly distributed load of 1 kN/m over its entire length and a concentrated load of 3 kN at 1 m from A: [IES-2015]



If ISJB 150 with $I_{xx} = 300 \text{ cm}^4$ is used for the beam, the maximum value of bending stress is

- (a) 75 MPa (b) 85 MPa (c) 125 MPa (d) 250 MPa

- IES-10b. A beam of rectangular section (12 cm wide \times 20 cm deep) is simply supported over a span of 12 m. It is acted upon by a concentrated load of 80 kN at the midspan. The maximum bending stress induced is: [IES-2017 Prelims]
- (a) 400 MPa (b) 300 MPa (c) 200 MPa (d) 100 MPa

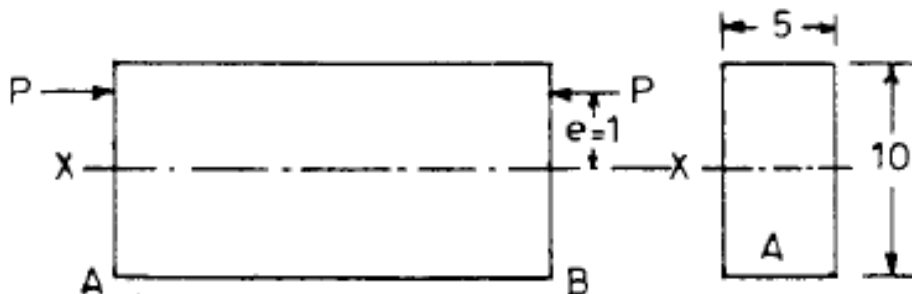
Combined direct and bending stress

- IES-11. Assertion (A): A column subjected to eccentric load will have its stress at centroid independent of the eccentricity. [IES-1994]

Reason (R): Eccentric loads in columns produce torsion.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true
- IES-11(i). For the configuration of loading shown in the given figure, the stress in fibre AB is given by: [IES-1995]

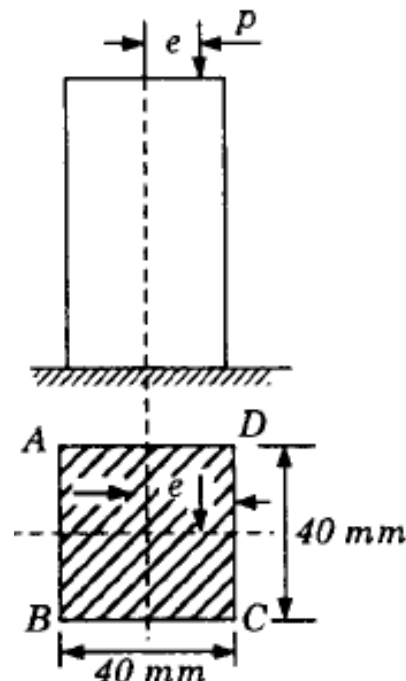
- (a) P/A (tensile) (b) $\left(\frac{P}{A} - \frac{P.e.5}{I_{xx}} \right)$ (Compressive)
 (c) $\left(\frac{P}{A} + \frac{P.e.5}{I_{xx}} \right)$ (Compressive) (d) P/A (Compressive)



- IES-12. A column of square section 40 mm \times 40 mm, fixed to the ground carries an eccentric load P of 1600 N as shown in the figure.

If the stress developed along the edge CD is -1.2 N/mm^2 , the stress along the edge AB will be:

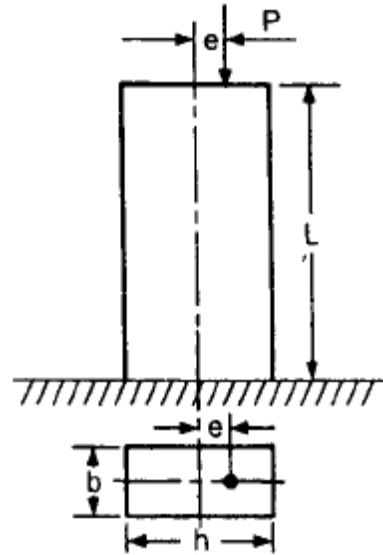
- (a) -1.2 N/mm^2
 (b) $+1 \text{ N/mm}^2$
 (c) $+0.8 \text{ N/mm}^2$
 (d) -0.8 N/mm^2



[IES-1999]

IES-13. A short column of symmetric cross-section made of a brittle material is subjected to an eccentric vertical load P at an eccentricity e . To avoid tensile stress in the short column, the eccentricity e should be less than or equal to:

- (a) $h/12$ (b) $h/6$
(c) $h/3$ (d) $h/2$



[IES-2001]

IES-14. A short column of external diameter D and internal diameter d carries an eccentric load W . The greatest eccentricity which the load can have without producing tension on the cross-section of the column would be:

[IES-1999]

- (a) $\frac{D+d}{8}$ (b) $\frac{D^2+d^2}{8d}$ (c) $\frac{D^2+d^2}{8D}$ (d) $\sqrt{\frac{D^2+d^2}{8}}$

IES-15. The ratio of the core of a rectangular section to the area of the rectangular section when used as a short column is

[IES-2010]

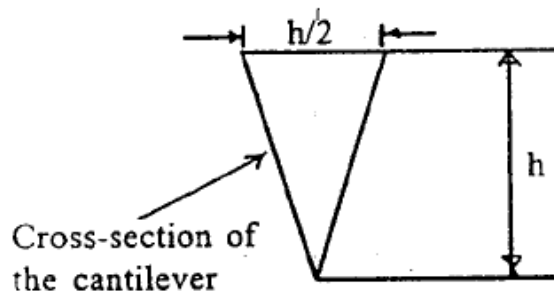
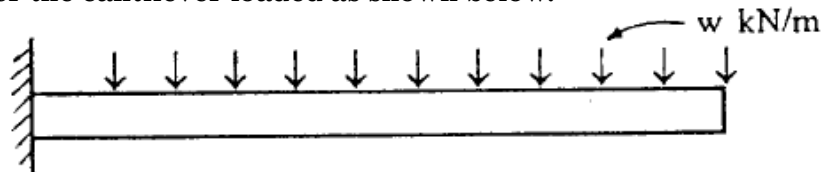
- (a) $\frac{1}{9}$ (b) $\frac{1}{36}$ (c) $\frac{1}{18}$ (d) $\frac{1}{24}$

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Bending equation

IAS-1. Consider the cantilever loaded as shown below:

[IAS-2004]

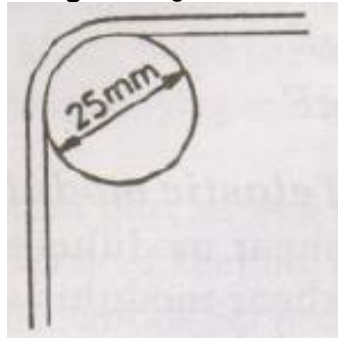


What is the ratio of the maximum compressive to the maximum tensile stress?

- (a) 1.0 (b) 2.0 (c) 2.5 (d) 3.0

IAS-2. A 0.2 mm thick tape goes over a frictionless pulley of 25 mm diameter. If E of the material is 100 GPa, then the maximum stress induced in the tape is: [IAS 1994]

- (a) 100 MPa (b) 200 MPa (c) 400 MPa (d) 800 MPa



Section Modulus

IAS-3. A pipe of external diameter 3 cm and internal diameter 2 cm and of length 4 m is supported at its ends. It carries a point load of 65 N at its centre. The sectional modulus of the pipe will be: [IAS-2002]

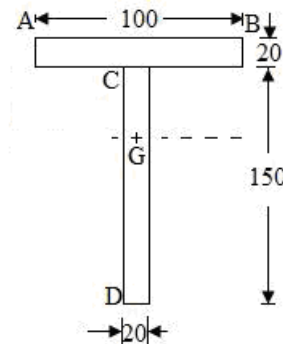
- (a) $\frac{65\pi}{64} \text{ cm}^3$ (b) $\frac{65\pi}{32} \text{ cm}^3$ (c) $\frac{65\pi}{96} \text{ cm}^3$ (d) $\frac{65\pi}{128} \text{ cm}^3$

IAS-4. A Cantilever beam of rectangular cross-section is 1m deep and 0.6 m thick. If the beam were to be 0.6 m deep and 1m thick, then the beam would. [IAS-1999]

- (a) Be weakened 0.5 times
 (b) Be weakened 0.6 times
 (c) Be strengthened 0.6 times
 (d) Have the same strength as the original beam because the cross-sectional area remainsthe same

IAS-5. A T-beam shown in the given figure is subjected to a bending moment such that plastic hinge forms. The distance of the neutral axis from D is (all dimensions are in mm)

- (a) Zero
 (b) 109 mm
 (c) 125 mm
 (d) 170mm



[IAS-2001]

IAS-6. Assertion (A): I, T and channel sections are preferred for beams.

[IAS-2000]

Reason(R): A beam cross-section should be such that the greatest possible amount of area is as far away from the neutral axis as possible.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
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Chapter-6

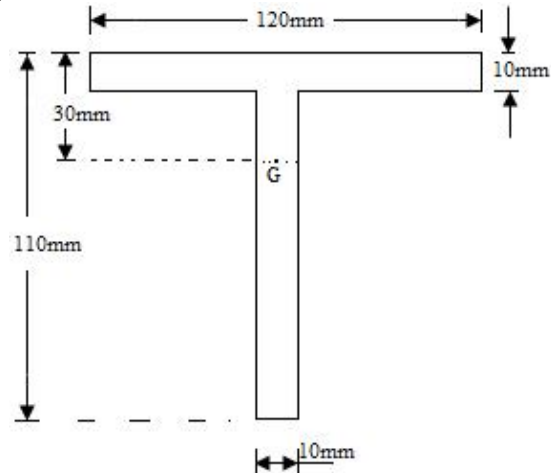
IAS-7.

If the T-beam cross-section shown in the given figure has bending stress of 30 MPa in the top fiber, then the stress in the bottom fiber would be (G is centroid)

- (a) Zero
- (b) 30 MPa
- (c) -80 MPa
- (d) 50 MPa

Bending Stress in Beam

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[IAS-2000]

IAS-8.

Assertion (A): A square section is more economical in bending than the circular section of same area of cross-section.

[IAS-1999]

Reason (R): The modulus of the square section is less than of circular section of same area of cross-section.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **NOT** the correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true

Bimetallic Strip

IAS-9.

A straight bimetallic strip of copper and steel is heated. It is free at ends. The strip, will:

[IAS-2002]

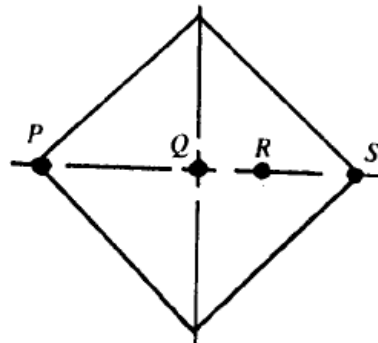
- (a) Expand and remain straight
- (b) Will not expand but will bend
- (c) Will expand and bend also
- (d) Twist only

Combined direct and bending stress

IAS-10.

A short vertical column having a square cross-section is subjected to an axial compressive force, centre of pressure of which passes through point R as shown in the above figure. Maximum compressive stress occurs at point

- (a) S
- (b) Q
- (c) R
- (d) P



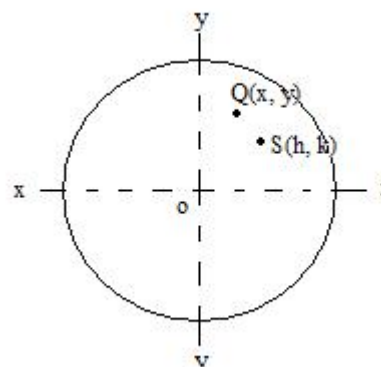
[IAS-2002]

IAS-11.

A strut's cross-sectional area A is subjected to load P at a point S (h, k) as shown in the given figure. The stress at the point Q (x, y) is:

[IAS-2000]

- (a) $\frac{P}{A} + \frac{Phy}{I_x} + \frac{Pkx}{I_y}$
- (b) $-\frac{P}{A} - \frac{Phx}{I_y} - \frac{Pky}{I_x}$
- (c) $\frac{P}{A} + \frac{Phy}{I_y} + \frac{Pkx}{I_x}$
- (d) $\frac{P}{A} + \frac{Phx}{I_y} - \frac{Pky}{I_x}$



OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. 300 MPa (Range given 290 to 310)

GATE-2. Ans. (30)

GATE-3. Ans. (a) $M_x = P \cdot x$ $\frac{M}{I} = \frac{\sigma}{y}$ or $\sigma = \frac{My}{I} = \frac{10 \times (x) \times 0.005}{\frac{(0.01)^4}{12}} = 60 \cdot (x) \text{ MPa}$

At $x = 0$; $\sigma = 0$

At $x = 1\text{m}$; $\sigma = 60\text{MPa}$

And it is linear as $\sigma \propto x$

GATE-4. Ans. (d)

When the concentrated load is placed at the midspan, maximum bending moment will develop at the mid span.

Now, $\sigma = \frac{M}{I} y$ $\left[\because M = \frac{PL}{4} \right]$

$$= \frac{\frac{PL}{4} \times \frac{D}{2}}{\frac{BD^3}{12}} = \frac{3PL}{2BD^2}$$

GATE-4a. Ans. (b)

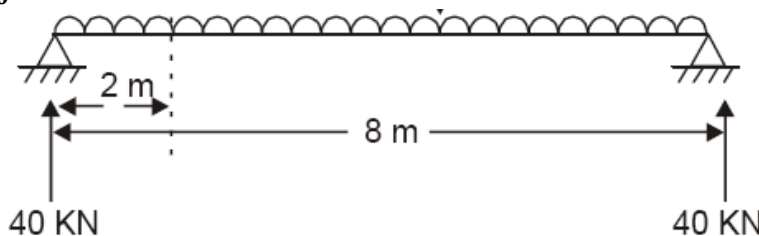
$$\delta = \frac{PL^3}{3EI} \quad \text{or} \quad 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} = \frac{PL^3}{3EI} \quad [\text{Use SI unit}]$$

$$\sigma_{\max} = \frac{My_{\max}}{I} = \frac{PLy_{\max}}{I}$$

$$\text{or} \quad \frac{\sigma_{\max}}{5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}} = \frac{PLy_{\max}}{I} \times \frac{3EI}{PL^3} = \frac{3y_{\max} E}{L^2}$$

$$\text{or} \quad \sigma_{\max} = \frac{3y_{\max} E}{L^2} \times (5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}) = \frac{3 \times (0.1/2) \times (2 \times 10^{11})}{2^2} \times (5 \times 10^{-3}) \text{ Pa} = 37.5 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-4b. Ans. 90



At 2 m from support, Bending Moment (M) = $R_A \times 2 - \frac{wL^2}{2} = 40 \times 2 - \frac{10 \times 2^2}{2} = 60 \text{ kNm}$

Extreme compression edge is topmost fibre. In the topmost fibre Shear Stress is zero.

Only Bending Stress (σ_b) = $\frac{My}{I} = \frac{(60 \times 10^3 \text{ Nm}) \times (0.100 \text{ m})}{\frac{0.100 \times 0.200^3}{12} \text{ m}^4} = 90 \times 10^6 \text{ Pa} = 90 \text{ MPa}$

GATE-5. Ans. (c)

There can be two stresses which can act at any point on the beam viz. flexural stress and shear stress.

$$\sigma = \frac{M}{I} \times y_{\max}$$

$$\tau = \frac{SA \bar{y}}{Ib}$$

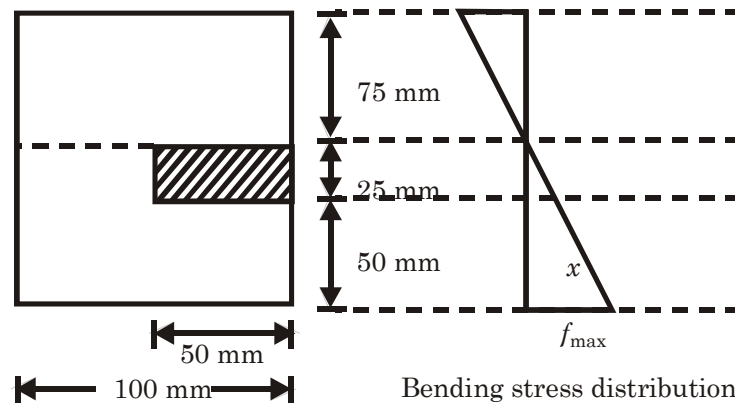
Where all the symbols have their usual meaning.

GATE-6. Ans. (b) $\frac{M}{I} = \frac{E}{\rho} = \frac{\sigma}{y}$; or $\sigma = \frac{My}{I}$;

$$\sigma_{sq} = \frac{M \left(\frac{a}{2} \right)}{\frac{1}{12} a a^3} = \frac{6M}{a^3}; \quad \sigma_{cir} = \frac{M \left(\frac{d}{2} \right)}{\frac{\pi d^4}{64}} = \frac{32M}{\pi d^3} = \frac{4\pi \sqrt{\pi} M}{a^3} = \frac{22.27M}{a^3} \quad \left[\because \frac{\pi d^2}{4} = a^2 \right]$$

$$\therefore \sigma_{sq} < \sigma_{cir}$$

GATE-7. Ans. (c)



$$f_{\max} = \frac{M}{I} \times y_{\max}$$

$$= \frac{16 \times 10^6 \times 12}{100 \times 150^3} \times 75 = 42.67 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

From similar triangles, we have

$$\frac{42.67}{75} = \frac{x}{25}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 14.22 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\therefore \text{Tensile force} = \frac{1}{2} \times 25 \times 14.22 \times 50 \times 10^{-3} = 8.88 = 8.9 \text{ kN}$$

GATE-8. Ans. (b)

GATE-9. Ans. (a)

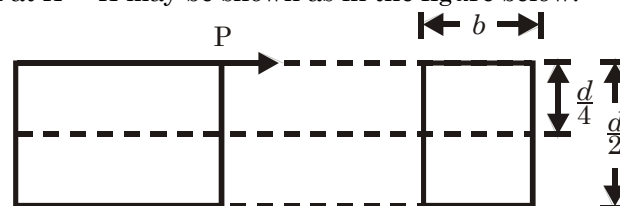
GATE-10. Ans. (b)

GATE-11. Ans. (d) Total Stress = Direct stress + Stress due to Moment

$$= \frac{P}{A} + \frac{My}{I} = \frac{F}{4b^2} + \frac{F(L-b)' b}{\frac{2b' (b)^3}{12}}$$

GATE-12. Ans. (a)

The section at X – X may be shown as in the figure below:



The maximum tensile stress at the section X – X is

$$\sigma = \frac{P}{A} + \frac{M}{Z}$$

$$= \frac{P}{b \times \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)} + \frac{P \times \left(\frac{d}{4}\right) \times 6}{b \times \left(\frac{d^2}{4}\right)} = \frac{2P}{bd} + \frac{6P}{bd} = \frac{8P}{bd}$$

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IES-1 Ans. (b)

IES-1(i). Ans. (d) Bending stress (σ) = $\frac{My}{I}$, y and I both depends on the

Shape of cross – section so $\frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_B}$ depends on the shape of cross – section

IES-2. Ans. (b) Diameter will be double, $D = 2d$.

A. Maximum BM will be unaffected

B. deflection ratio $\frac{EI_1}{EI_2} = \left(\frac{d}{4}\right)^4 = \frac{1}{16}$

C. Bending stress $\sigma = \frac{My}{I} = \frac{M(d/2)}{\frac{\pi d^4}{64}}$ or Bending stress ratio = $\frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1} = \left(\frac{d}{D}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}$

D. Selection Modulus ratio = $\frac{Z_2}{Z_1} = \frac{I_2}{I_1} \times \frac{y_1}{y_2} = \left(\frac{D}{d}\right)^3 = 8$

IES-3. Ans. (c)

IES-4. Ans. (c)

IES-4a. Ans. (d)

IES-4b. Ans. (a)

IES-4c. Ans. (c)

IES-5. Ans. (c) If D is diameter of circle and 'a' the side of square section, $\frac{\pi}{4}d^2 = a^2$ or $d = \sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi}}a$

Z for circular section = $\frac{\pi d^2}{32} = \frac{a^3}{4\sqrt{\pi}}$; and Z for square section = $\frac{a^3}{6}$

IES-6. Ans. (b) Z for rectangular section is $\frac{bd^2}{6}$, $Z_A = \frac{b\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2}{6} = \frac{b^3}{24}$, $Z_B = \frac{\frac{b}{2} \times b^2}{6} = \frac{b^3}{12}$

$M = Z_A \cdot \sigma_A = Z_B \cdot \sigma_B$ or $\frac{b^3}{24} \sigma_A = \frac{b^3}{12} \sigma_B$, or $\sigma_A = 2\sigma_B$

IES-6(i). Ans. (c)

IES-6(ii) Ans. (a)

IES-7. Ans. (c) Bending stress = $\frac{M}{Z}$

For rectangular beam with sides horizontal and vertical, $Z = \frac{a^3}{6}$

For same section with diagonal horizontal, $Z = \frac{a^3}{6\sqrt{2}}$

\therefore Ratio of two stresses = $\sqrt{2}$

IES-7(i). Ans. (c)

IES-8. Ans. (d)

We know, $\sigma = \frac{My}{I}$

In the given question since bending stress and moment both are same for the two bars

$$\therefore \left(\frac{y}{I}\right)_{\text{rectangular}} = \left(\frac{y}{I}\right)_{\text{circular}} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{b/2}{8b^4/12} = \frac{d/2}{\pi d^4/64} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{d^3}{b^3} = \frac{64}{3\pi} \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$\text{Ratio of the weights} = \frac{\text{weight of rectangular bar}}{\text{weight of circular bar}} = \frac{A_{\text{rect}} L \rho g}{A_{\text{circular}} L \rho g}$$

$$\text{Ratio of the weights} = \frac{2b^2}{\pi/4 \times d^2} = \frac{8}{\pi} \times \frac{b^2}{d^2} = \frac{8}{\pi} \times \left(\frac{3\pi}{64}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \dots\dots\dots(\because \text{from (i)} \frac{d^3}{b^3} = \frac{64}{3\pi})$$

$$\text{Ratio of the weights} = \frac{3^{\frac{2}{3}}}{2\pi^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

IES-8(i). Ans. (b)

IES-9. Ans. (a)

IES-9a. Ans. (a)

IES-9b. Ans. (d)

IES-10. Ans. (b)

IES-10a. Ans. (a) Designation of I-beam in India.

ISMB: Indian Standard Medium Weight Beam

ISJB: Indian Standard Junior Beams

ISLB: Indian Standard Light Weight Beams

ISWB: Indian Standard Wide Flange Beams.

IES-10b. Ans. (b) $M_{\text{max}} = \frac{PL}{4}$

IES-11. Ans. (c) A is true and R is false.

IES-11(i). Ans. (b) $\sigma_d = \frac{P}{A}$ (compressive), $\sigma_x = \frac{My}{I_x} = \frac{Pky}{I_x}$ (tensile)

IES-12. Ans. (d) Compressive stress at CD = $1.2 \text{ N/mm}^2 = \frac{P}{A} \left(1 + \frac{6e}{b}\right) = \frac{1600}{1600} \left(1 + \frac{6e}{20}\right)$

$$\text{or } \frac{6e}{20} = 0.2. \text{ So stress at AB} = -\frac{1600}{1600} (1 - 0.2) = -0.8 \text{ N/mm}^2 (\text{com})$$

IES-13. Ans. (b)

IES-14. Ans. (c)

IES-15. Ans. (c) $A = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{b}{6} \times \frac{h}{6} \times 4 = \frac{bh}{18}$

IAS

IAS-1. Ans. (b) $\sigma = \frac{My}{I}$ $\sigma_{\text{compressive, Max}} = \frac{M}{I} \times \left(\frac{2h}{3}\right)$ at lower end of A.

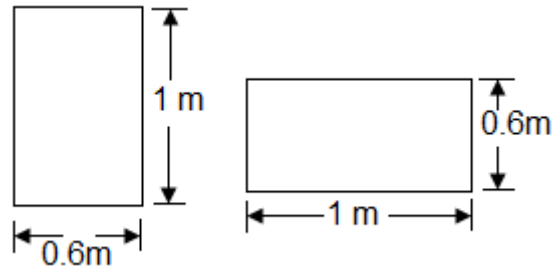
$$\sigma_{\text{tensile, max}} = \frac{M}{I} \times \left(\frac{h}{3}\right) \text{ at upper end of B}$$

IAS-2. Ans. (d) $\frac{\sigma}{y} = \frac{E}{R}$ Here $y = \frac{0.2}{2} = 0.1 \text{ mm} = 0.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$, $R = \frac{25}{2} \text{ mm} = 12.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$

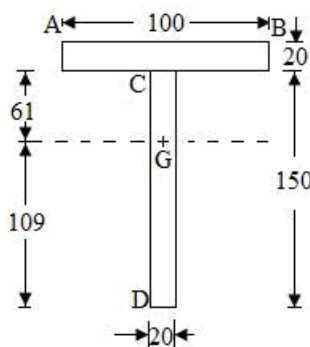
$$\text{or } \sigma = \frac{100 \times 10^3 \times 0.1 \times 10^{-3}}{12.5 \times 10^{-3}} \text{ MPa} = 800 \text{ MPa}$$

IAS-3. Ans. (c) Section modulus (z) = $\frac{I}{y} = \frac{\frac{\pi}{64}(3^4 - 2^4)}{\frac{3}{2}} \text{ cm}^3 = \frac{65\pi}{96} \text{ cm}^3$

IAS-4. Ans. (b) $z_1 = \frac{I}{y} = \frac{0.6 \times 1^3}{0.5} = 1.2 \text{ m}^3$
 and $z_2 = \frac{I}{y} = \frac{1 \times 0.6^3}{0.3} = 0.72 \text{ m}^3$
 $\therefore \frac{z_2}{z_1} = \frac{0.72}{1.2} = 0.6 \text{ times}$



IAS-5. Ans. (b)



IAS-6. Ans. (a) Because it will increase area moment of inertia, i.e. strength of the beam.

IAS-7. Ans. (c) $\frac{M}{I} = \frac{\sigma_1}{y_1} = \frac{\sigma_2}{y_2}$ or $\sigma_2 = y_2 \times \frac{\sigma_1}{y_1} = (110 - 30) \times \frac{30}{30} = 80 \text{ MPa}$

As top fibre in tension so bottom fibre will be in compression.

IAS-8. ans. (c)

IAS-9. Ans. (c) As expansion of copper will be more than steel.

IAS-10. Ans. (a) As direct and bending both the stress is compressive here.

IAS-11. Ans. (b) All stress are compressive, direct stress,

$$\sigma_d = \frac{P}{A} \text{ (compressive), } \sigma_x = \frac{My}{I_x} = \frac{Pky}{I_x} \text{ (compressive)}$$

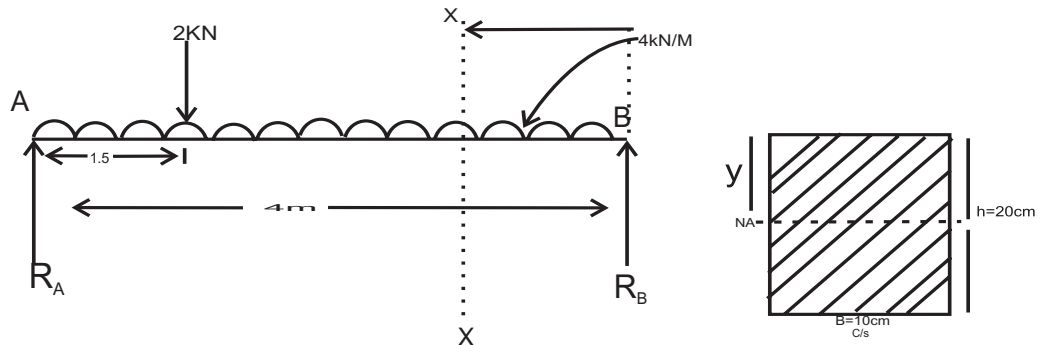
$$\text{and } \sigma_y = \frac{Mx}{I_y} = \frac{Phx}{I_y} \text{ (compressive)}$$

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES-2008

Question: A Simply supported beam AB of span length 4 m supports a uniformly distributed load of intensity $q = 4 \text{ kN/m}$ spread over the entire span and a concentrated load $P = 2 \text{ kN}$ placed at a distance of 1.5 m from left end A. The beam is constructed of a rectangular cross-section with width $b = 10 \text{ cm}$ and depth $d = 20 \text{ cm}$. Determine the maximum tensile and compressive stresses developed in the beam to bending.

Answer:



$$R_A + R_B = 2 + 4 \times 4 \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

$$-R_A \times 4 + 2 \times (4 - 1.5) + (4 \times 4) \times 2 = 0 \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

$$\text{or } R_A = 9.25 \text{ kN, } R_B = 18 - R_A = 8.75 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 2.5 \text{ m}$$

$$M_x = R_B \times x - 4x \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) - 2(x - 2.5)$$

$$= 8.75x - 2x^2 - 2x + 5 = 6.75x - 2x^2 + 5 \dots\dots (ii)$$

From (i) & (ii) we find out that bending moment at $x = 2.1875 \text{ m}$ in (i) gives maximum bending moment

[Just find $\frac{dM}{dx}$ for both the cases]

$$M_{\max} = 8.25 \times 2.1875 - 2 \times 1875^2 = 9.57 \text{ kNm}$$

$$\text{Area moment of Inertia (I)} = \frac{bh^3}{12} = \frac{0.1 \times 0.2^3}{12} = 6.6667 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^4$$

Maximum distance from NA is $y = 10 \text{ cm} = 0.1 \text{ m}$

$$\sigma_{\max} = \frac{My}{I} = \frac{(9.57 \times 10^3) \times 0.1}{6.6667 \times 10^{-5}} \text{ N/m}^2 = 14.355 \text{ MPa}$$

Therefore maximum tensile stress in the lowest point in the beam is 14.355 MPa and maximum compressive stress in the topmost fiber of the beam is -14.355 MPa .

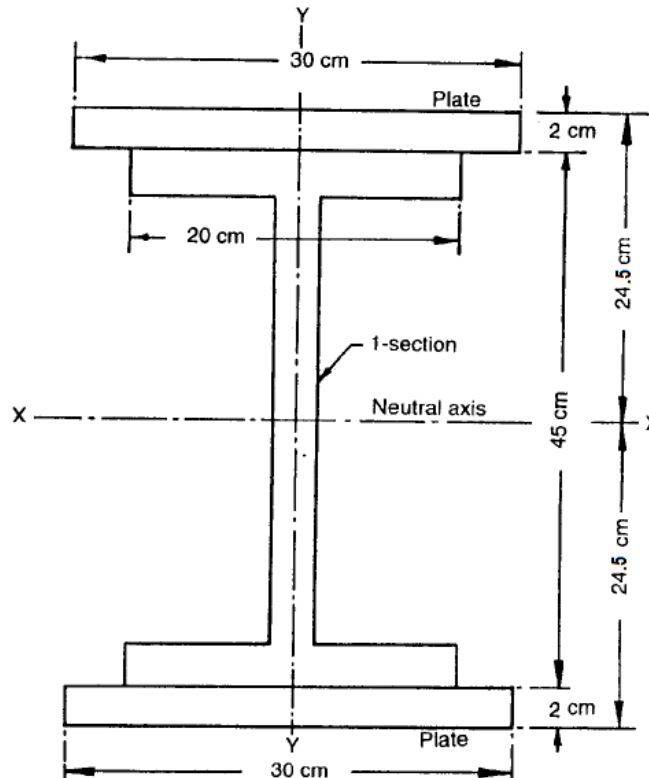
Conventional Question IES-2007

Question: A simply supported beam made of rolled steel joist (I-section: $450 \text{ mm} \times 200 \text{ mm}$) has a span of 5 m and it carries a central concentrated load W . The flanges are strengthened by two $300 \text{ mm} \times 20 \text{ mm}$ plates, one riveted to each flange over the entire length of the flanges. The second moment of area of the joist about the principal bending axis is 35060 cm^4 . Calculate

- (i) The greatest central load the beam will carry if the bending stress in the $300 \text{ mm} / 20 \text{ mm}$ plates is not to exceed 125 MPa .

- (ii) The minimum length of the 300 mm plates required to restrict the maximum bending stress is the flanges of the joist to 125 MPa.

Answer:



Moment of Inertia of the total section about X-X

(I) = moment of inertia of I-section + moment of inertia of the plates about X-X axis.

$$= 35060 + 2 \left[\frac{30 \times 2^3}{12} + 30 \times 2 \times \left(\frac{45}{2} + \frac{2}{2} \right)^2 \right] = 101370 \text{ cm}^4$$

- (i) Greatest central point load (W):

For a simply supported beam a concentrated load at centre.

$$M = \frac{WL}{4} = \frac{W \times 5}{4} = 1.25W$$

$$M = \frac{\sigma \cdot I}{y} = \frac{(125 \times 10^6) \times (101370 \times 10^{-8})}{0.245} = 517194 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\therefore 1.25W = 517194 \quad \text{or } W = 413.76 \text{ kN}$$

- (ii) Suppose the cover plates are absent for a distance of x-meters from each support. Then at these points the bending moment must not exceed moment of resistance of 'I' section alone i.e

$$\frac{\sigma \cdot I}{y} = (125 \times 10^6) \times \frac{(35060 \times 10^{-8})}{0.245} = 178878 \text{ Nm}$$

\therefore Bending moment at x metres from each support

$$= \frac{W}{2} \times x = 178878$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{41760}{2} \times x = 178878$$

$$\text{or } x = 0.86464 \text{ m}$$

Hence leaving 0.86464 m from each support, for the middle $5 - 2 \times 0.86464 = 3.27 \text{ m}$ the cover plate should be provided.

Conventional Question IES-2002

Question: A beam of rectangular cross-section 50 mm wide and 100 mm deep is simply supported over a span of 1500 mm. It carries a concentrated load of 50 kN, 500 mm from the left support.

Calculate: (i) The maximum tensile stress in the beam and indicate where it occurs:
(ii) The vertical deflection of the beam at a point 500 mm from the right support.
E for the material of the beam = $2 \times 10^5 \text{ MPa}$.

Answer: Taking moment about L

$$R_R \times 1500 = 50 \times 500$$

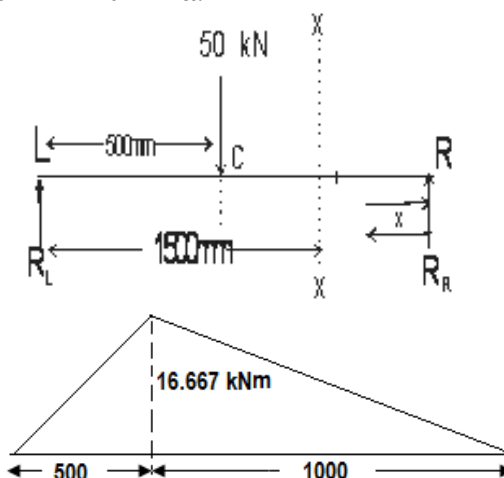
$$\text{or, } R_R = 16.667 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{or, } R_L + R_R = 50$$

$$\therefore R_L = 50 - 16.667 = 33.333 \text{ kN}$$

Take a section from right R, x-x at a distance x.

$$\text{Bending moment } (M_x) = +R_R \cdot x$$



Therefore maximum bending moment will occur at 'c' $M_{\max} = 16.667 \times 1 \text{ kNm}$

(i) Moment of Inertia of beam cross-section

$$(I) = \frac{bh^3}{12} = \frac{0.050 \times (0.100)^3}{12} \text{ m}^4 = 4.1667 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^4$$

Applying bending equation

$$\frac{M}{I} = \frac{\sigma}{y} = \frac{E}{\rho} \quad \text{or, } \sigma_{\max} = \frac{My}{I} = \frac{(16.67 \times 10^3) \times \left(\frac{0.001}{2}\right)}{4.1667 \times 10^{-6}} \text{ N/m}^2 = 200 \text{ MPa}$$

It will occur where M is maximum at point 'C'

(ii) Macaulay's method for determining the deflection of the beam will be convenient as there is point load.

$$M_x = EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 33.333 \times x - 50 \times (x - 0.5)$$

Integrate both side we get

$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 33.333 \times \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{50}{2}(x-0.5)^2 + c_1 x + c_2$$

at $x=0, y=0$ gives $c_2 = 0$

at $x=1.5, y=0$ gives

$$0 = 5.556 \times (1.5)^3 - 8.333 \times 1^3 + c_1 \times 1.5$$

$$\text{or, } c_1 = -6.945$$

$$\therefore EIy = 5.556 \times x^3 \Big| - 8.333(x-0.5)^3 \Big| - 6.945 \times 1 = -2.43$$

$$\text{or, } y = \frac{-2.43}{(2 \times 10^5 \times 10^6) \times (4.1667 \times 10^{-6})} \text{ m} = -2.9167 \text{ mm [downward so -ive]}$$

Conventional Question AMIE-1997

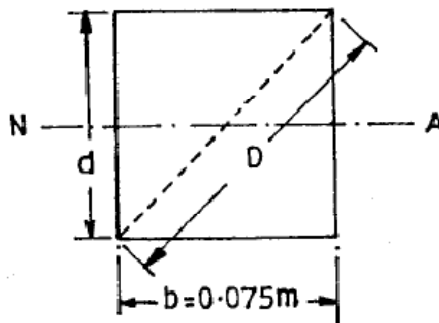
Question: If the beam cross-section is rectangular having a width of 75 mm, determine the required depth such that maximum bending stress induced in the beam does not exceed 40 MN/m²

Answer: Given: $b = 75 \text{ mm} = 0.075 \text{ m}$, $\sigma_{\max} = 40 \text{ MN/m}^2$

Depth of the beam, d : Figure below shows a rectangular section of width $b = 0.075 \text{ m}$ and depth d metres. The bending is considered to take place about the horizontal neutral axis N.A. shown in the figure. The maximum bending stress occurs at the outer fibres of the rectangular section at a distance $\frac{d}{2}$ above or below the neutral axis. Any fibre at a distance y from N.A. is

subjected to a bending stress, $\sigma = \frac{My}{I}$, where I denotes the second moment of area of the rectangular section about the N.A. i.e. $\frac{bd^3}{12}$.

At the outer fibres, $y = \frac{d}{2}$, the maximum bending stress there becomes



$$\sigma_{\max} = \frac{M \times \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)}{\frac{bd^3}{12}} = \frac{M}{\frac{bd^2}{6}} \quad \text{---(i)}$$

$$\text{or } M = \sigma_{\max} \cdot \frac{bd^2}{6} \quad \text{---(ii)}$$

For the condition of maximum strength i.e. maximum moment M , the product bd^2 must be a maximum, since σ_{\max} is constant for a given material. To maximize the quantity bd^2 we realise that it must be expressed in terms of one independent variable, say, b , and we may do this from the right angle triangle relationship.

$$b^2 + d^2 = D^2$$

$$\text{or } d^2 = D^2 - b^2$$

Multiplying both sides by b , we get $bd^2 = bD^2 - b^3$

To maximize bd^2 we take the first derivative of expression with respect to b and set it equal to zero, as follows:

$$\frac{d}{db}(bd^2) = \frac{d}{db}(bD^2 - b^3) = D^2 - 3b^2 = b^2 + d^2 - 3b^2 = d^2 - 2b^2 = 0$$

Solving, we have, depth $d = \sqrt{2} b$... (iii)

This is the desired ratio in order that the beam will carry a maximum moment M .

It is to be noted that the expression appearing in the denominator of the right side of eqn. (i) i.

e. $\frac{bd^2}{6}$ is the section modulus (Z) of a rectangular bar. Thus, it follows; the section modulus is

actually the quantity to be maximized for greatest strength of the beam.

Using the relation (iii), we have

$$d = \sqrt{2} \times 0.075 = 0.106 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Now, } M = \sigma_{\max} \times Z = \sigma_{\max} \times \frac{bd^2}{6}$$

Substituting the values, we get

$$M = 40 \times \frac{0.075 \times (0.106)^2}{6} = 0.005618 \text{ MNm}$$

$$\sigma_{\max} = \frac{M}{Z} = \frac{0.005618}{(0.075 \times (0.106)^2 / 6)} = 40 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

Hence, the required depth $d = 0.106 \text{ m} = 106 \text{ mm}$

Conventional Question IES-2009

- Q. (i) A cantilever of circular solid cross-section is fixed at one end and carries a concentrated load P at the free end. The diameter at the free end is 200 mm and increases uniformly to 400 mm at the fixed end over a length of 2 m. At what distance from the free end will the bending stresses in the cantilever be maximum? Also calculate the value of the maximum bending stress if the concentrated load $P = 30 \text{ kN}$ [15-Marks]

Ans. We have $\frac{\sigma}{y} = \frac{M}{I}$ (i)

Taking distance x from the free end we have

$$M = 30x \text{ kN.m} = 30x \times 10^3 \text{ N.m}$$

$$y = 100 + \frac{x}{2} (200 - 100)$$

$$= 100 + 50x \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{and } I = \frac{\pi d^4}{64}$$

Let d be the diameter at x from free end.

$$= \frac{\pi \left[200 + \frac{(400 - 200)}{2} x \right]^4}{64}$$

$$= \frac{\pi (200 + 100x)^4}{64} \text{ mm}^4$$

From equation (i), we have

$$\frac{\sigma}{(100 + 50x) \times 10^{-3}} = \frac{30x \times 10^3}{\frac{\pi (200 + 100x)^4}{64} \times 10^{-12}}$$

$$\therefore \sigma = \frac{960x}{\pi} (200 + 100x)^{-3} \times 10^{12} \text{ (ii)}$$

$$= \frac{960x}{\pi} (200 + 100x)^{-3} \times 10^{12}$$

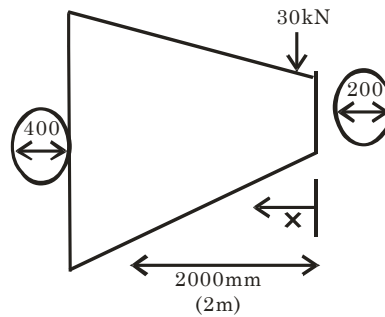
For max σ , $\frac{d\sigma}{dx} = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{10^{12} \times 960}{\pi}$$

$$\left[x(-3)(100)(200 + 100x)^{-4} + 1.(200 + 100x)^{-3} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -300x + 200 + 100x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = 1\text{m}}$$



Hence maximum bending stress occurs at the midway and from equation (ii), maximum bending stress

$$\sigma = \frac{960}{\pi} (1)(200 + 100)^{-3} \times 10^{12}$$

$$= \frac{960 \times 10^{12}}{\pi \times (300)^3} = 11.32 \text{ MPa}$$



Shear Stress in Beam

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

1. Shear stress in bending (τ)

$$\tau = \frac{vQ}{Ib}$$

Where, V = Shear force = $\frac{dM}{dx}$

$$Q = \text{Statical moment} = \int_{y_1}^{c_1} ydA$$

I = Moment of inertia

b = Width of beam c/s.

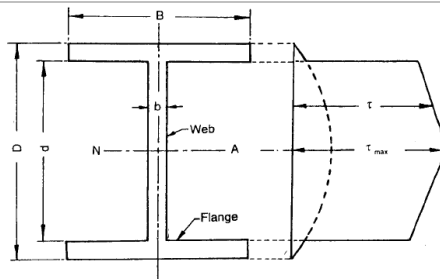
2. Statical Moment (Q)

$$Q = \int_{y_1}^{c_1} ydA = \text{Shaded Area} \times \text{distance of the centroid of the shaded area from the neutral axis of the c/s.}$$

3. Variation of shear stress

Section	Diagram	Position of τ_{\max}	τ_{\max}
Rectangular		N.A	$\tau_{\max} = \frac{3V}{2A}$ $\tau_{\max} = 1.5\tau_{\text{mean}}$ $= \tau_{NA}$
Circular		N.A	$\tau_{\max} = \frac{4}{3}\tau_{\text{mean}}$
Triangular		$\frac{h}{6}$ from N.A	$\tau_{\max} = 1.5\tau_{\text{mean}}$ $\tau_{NA} = 1.33\tau_{\text{mean}}$
Trapezoidal		$\frac{h}{6}$ from N.A	
Section	Diagram	τ_{\max}	

Uniform
I-Section



In Flange,

$$(\tau_{\max})_{y_1 = \frac{h_1}{2}} = \frac{V}{8I} [h^2 - h_1^2]$$

$$(\tau_{\max})_{y_1 = \frac{h}{2}} = 0$$

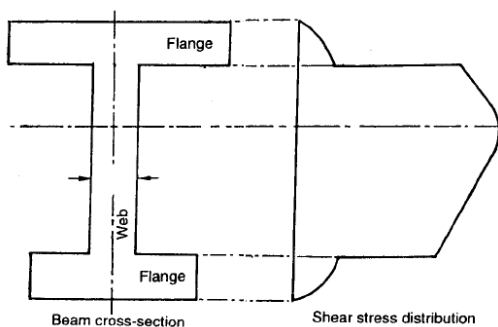
In Web

$$(\tau_{\max})_{y_1 = 0} = \frac{V}{8It} [b(h_1^2 - h_1^2) + th_1^2]$$

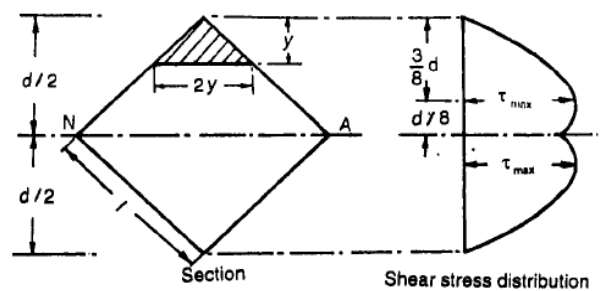
$$(\tau_{\min})_{y_1 = \frac{h_1}{2}} = \frac{vb}{8It} [h^2 - h_1^2]$$

4. Variation of shear stress for some more section [Asked in different examinations]

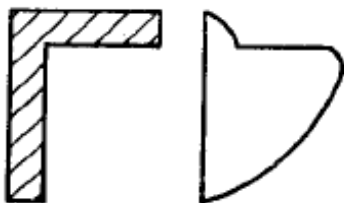
Non uniform I-Section



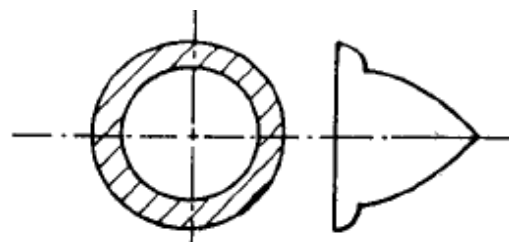
Diagonally placed square section



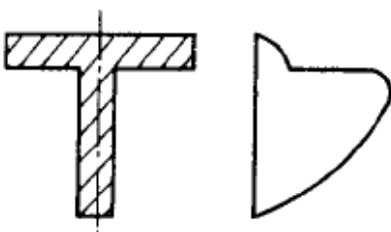
L-section



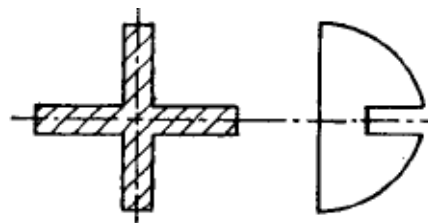
Hollow circle



T-section



Cross



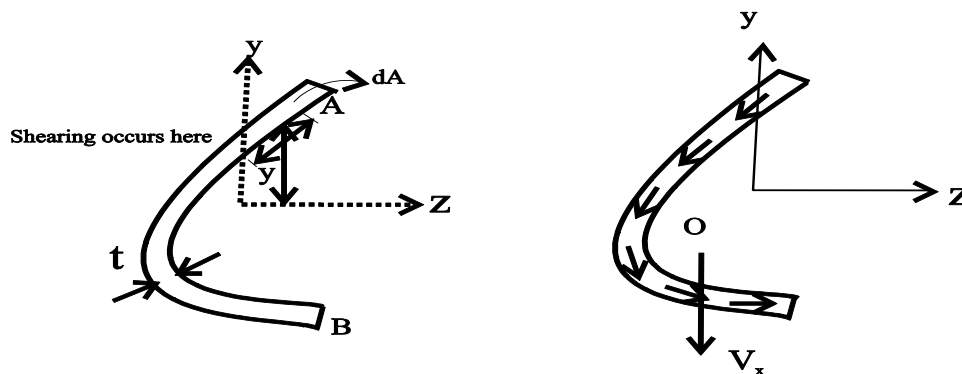
5. Rectangular section

- Maximum shear stress for rectangular beam: $\tau_{\max} = \frac{3V}{2A}$
- For this, A is the area of the entire cross section
- Maximum shear occurs at the neutral axis

- Shear is zero at the top and bottom of beam

6. Shear stress in beams of thin walled profile section.

- Shear stress at any point in the wall distance "s" from the free edge



$$\tau = \frac{V_x}{It} \int_0^s y dA$$

where V_x = Shear force

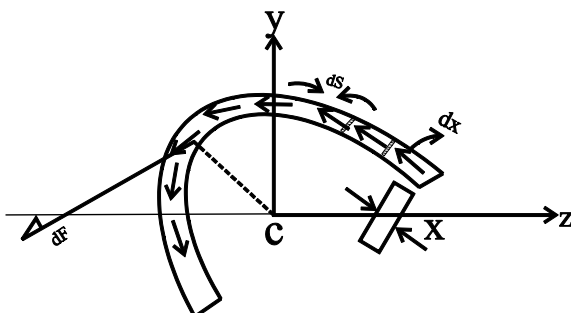
τ = Thickness of the section

I = Moment of inertia about NA

- Shear Flow (q)

$$q = \tau t = \frac{V_x}{I_{NA}} \int_0^s y dA$$

- Shear Force (F)



$$F = \int q ds$$

- Shear Centre (e)

Point of application of shear stress resultant

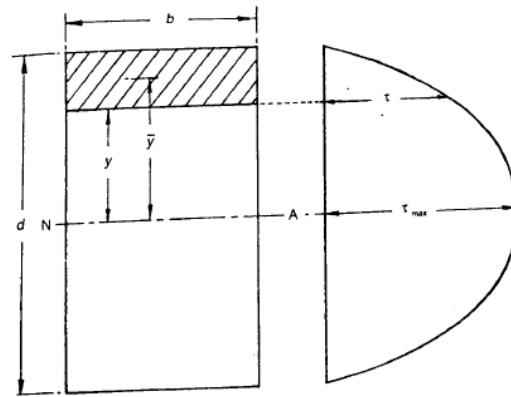
OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Shear Stress Variation

GATE-1. The transverse shear stress acting in a beam of rectangular cross-section, subjected to a transverse shear load, is:

- (a) Variable with maximum at the bottom of the beam
- (b) Variable with maximum at the top of the beam
- (c) Uniform
- (d) Variable with maximum on the neutral axis



[IES-1995, GATE-2008]

GATE-2. The ratio of average shear stress to the maximum shear stress in a beam with a square cross-section is:

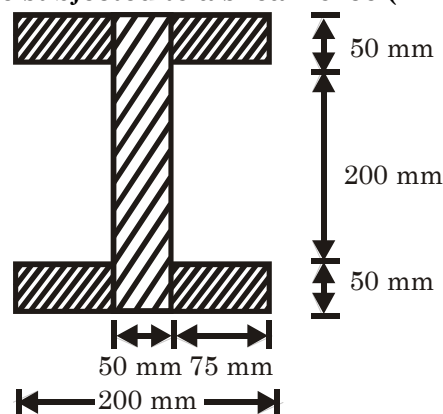
[GATE-1994, 1998]

- (a) 1
- (b) $\frac{2}{3}$
- (c) $\frac{3}{2}$
- (d) 2

GATE-3. If a beam of rectangular cross-section is subjected to a vertical shear force V , the shear force carried by the upper one third of the cross-section is [CE: GATE-2006]

- (a) zero
- (b) $\frac{7V}{27}$
- (c) $\frac{8V}{27}$
- (d) $\frac{V}{3}$

GATE-4. I-section of a beam is formed by gluing wooden planks as shown in the figure below. If this beam transmits a constant vertical shear force of 3000 N, the glue at any of the four joints will be subjected to a shear force (in kN per meter length) of



[CE: GATE-2006]

- (a) 3.0
- (b) 4.0
- (c) 8.0
- (d) 10.7

GATE-4(i). A symmetric I-section (with width of each flange = 50 mm, thickness of each flange = 10 mm, depth of web = 100 mm, and thickness of web = 10 mm) of steel is subjected to a shear force of 100 kN. Find the magnitude of the shear stress (in N/mm^2) in the web at its junction with the topflange. _____ [CE: GATE-2013]

GATE-5. The shear stress at the neutral axis in a beam of triangular section with a base of 40 mm and height 20 mm, subjected to a shear force of 3 kN is [CE: GATE-2007]

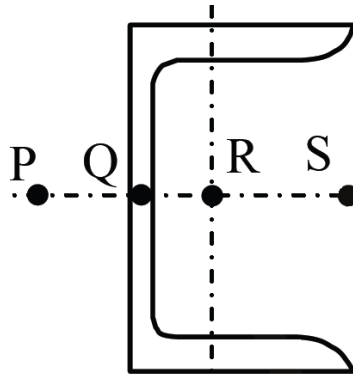
- (a) 3 MPa
- (b) 6 MPa
- (c) 10 MPa
- (d) 20 MPa

- GATE-6. The point within the cross sectional plane of a beam through which the resultant of the external loading on the beam has to pass through to ensure pure bending without twisting of the cross-section of the beam is called [CE: GATE-2009]
- (a) moment centre (b) centroid
(c) shear centre (d) elastic centre

- GATE-7. Consider a simply supported beam of length, $50h$, with a rectangular cross-section of depth, h , and width, $2h$. The beam carries a vertical point load, P , at its mid-point. The ratio of the maximum shear stress to the maximum bending stress in the beam is [GATE-2014]
- (a) 0.02 (b) 0.10 (c) 0.05 (d) 0.01

Shear Centre

- GATE-8. The possible location of shear centre of the channel section, shown below, is



(a) P

(b) Q

(c) R

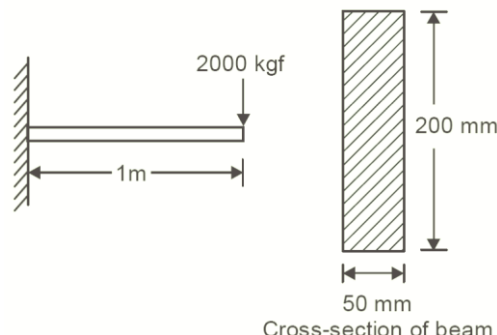
[CE: GATE-2014]

(d) S

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Shear Stress Variation

- IES-1. At a section of a beam, shear force is F with zero BM. The cross-section is square with side a . Point A lies on neutral axis and point B is mid way between neutral axis and top edge, i.e. at distance $a/4$ above the neutral axis. If t_A and t_B denote shear stresses at points A and B, then what is the value of t_A/t_B ? [IES-2005]
- (a) 0 (b) $\frac{3}{4}$ (c) $\frac{4}{3}$ (d) None of above
- IES-2. A wooden beam of rectangular cross-section 10 cm deep by 5 cm wide carries maximum shear force of 2000 kg. Shear stress at neutral axis of the beam section is: [IES-1997]
- (a) Zero (b) 40 kgf/cm² (c) 60 kgf/cm² (d) 80 kgf/cm²
- IES-2a. The maximum shearing stress induced in the beam section at any layer at any position along the beam length (shown in the figure) is equal to [IES-2017 Prelims]

(a) 30 kgf/cm²(b) 40 kgf/cm²(c) 50 kgf/cm²(d) 60 kgf/cm²

IES-3. In case of a beam of circular cross-section subjected to transverse loading, the maximum shear stress developed in the beam is greater than the average shear stress by: [IES-2006; 2008]

- (a) 50% (b) 33% (c) 25% (d) 10%

IES-3(i). A solid circular cross-section cantilever beam of diameter $\Phi 100$ mm carries a shear force of 10 kN at the free end. The maximum shear stress is [IES-2015]

- (a) $4/3\pi$ Pa (b) $3\pi/4$ Pa (c) $3\pi/16$ Pa (d) $16/3\pi$ Pa

IES-4. What is the nature of distribution of shear stress in a rectangular beam?

[IES-1993, 2004; 2008]

- (a) Linear (b) Parabolic (c) Hyperbolic (d) Elliptic

IES-5. Which one of the following statements is correct? [IES 2007]

When a rectangular section beam is loaded transversely along the length, shear stress develops on

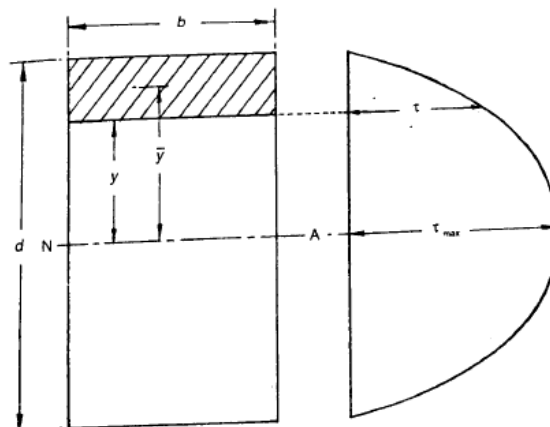
- (a) Top fibre of rectangular beam (b) Middle fibre of rectangular beam
(c) Bottom fibre of rectangular beam (d) Every horizontal plane

IES-6. A beam having rectangular cross-section is subjected to an external loading. The average shear stress developed due to the external loading at a particular cross-section is t_{avg} . What is the maximum shear stress developed at the same cross-section due to the same loading? [IES-2009, IES-2016]

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}t_{avg}$ (b) t_{avg} (c) $\frac{3}{2}t_{avg}$ (d) $2t_{avg}$

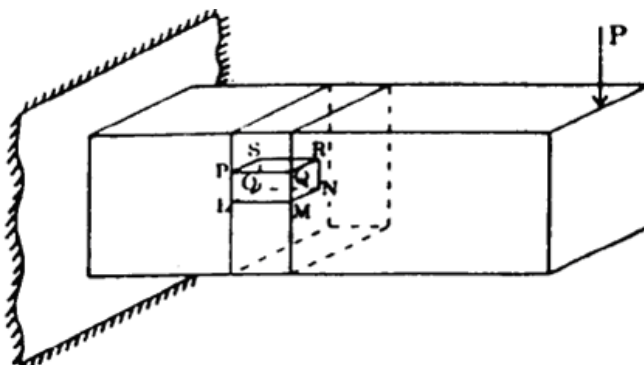
IES-7. The transverse shear stress acting in a beam of rectangular cross-section, subjected to a transverse shear load, is:

- (a) Variable with maximum at the bottom of the beam
(b) Variable with maximum at the top of the beam
(c) Uniform
(d) Variable with maximum on the neutral axis



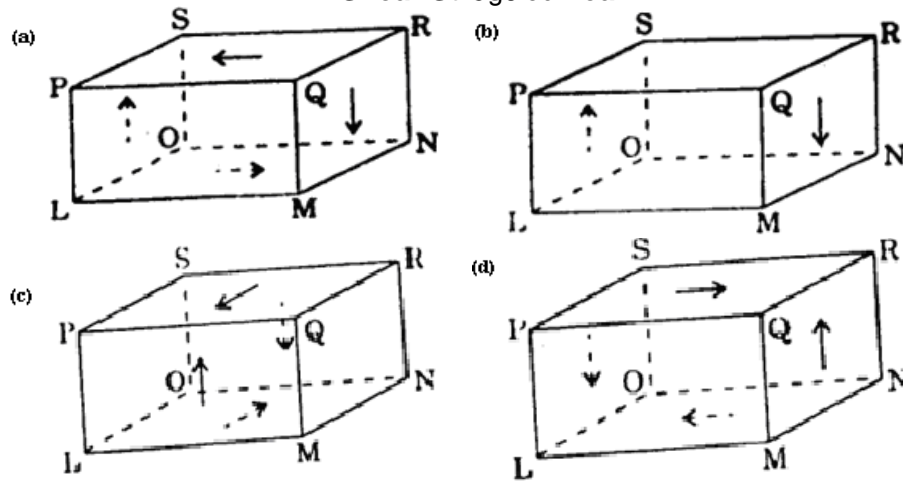
[IES-1995, GATE-2008]

IES-8.



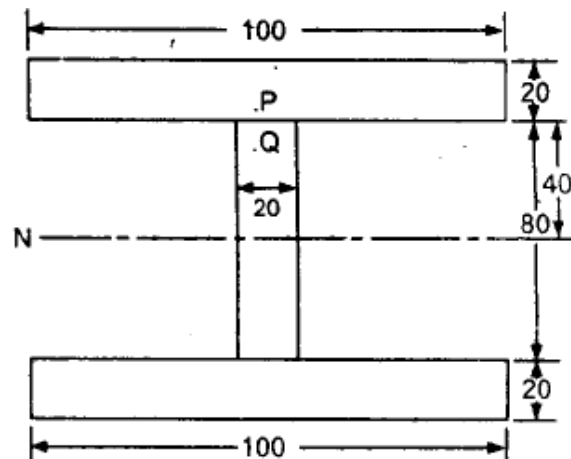
A cantilever is loaded by a concentrated load P at the free end as shown. The shear stress in the element LMNOPQRS is under consideration. Which of the following figures represents the shear stress directions in the cantilever?

[IES-2002]



- IES-9. In I-Section of a beam subjected to transverse shear force, the maximum shear stress is developed. [IES- 2008]
- (a) At the centre of the web (b) At the top edge of the top flange
(c) At the bottom edge of the top flange (d) None of the above

- IES-10. The given figure (all dimensions are in mm) shows an I-Section of the beam. The shear stress at point P (very close to the bottom of the flange) is 12 MPa. The stress at point Q in the web (very close to the flange) is:
- (a) Indeterminable due to incomplete data
(b) 60 MPa
(c) 18 MPa
(d) 12 MPa



[IES-2001]

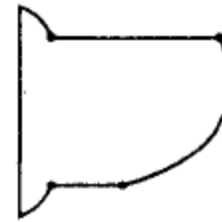
- IES-11. Assertion (A): In an I-Section beam subjected to concentrated loads, the shearing force at any section of the beam is resisted mainly by the web portion. Reason (R): Average value of the shearing stress in the web is equal to the value of shearing stress in the flange. [IES-1995]
- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

- IES-11(i). Statement (I): If the bending moment along the length of a beam is constant, then the beam cross-section will not experience any shear stress. [IES-2012]
- Statement (II): The shear force acting on the beam will be zero everywhere along its length.
- (a) Both Statements (I) and Statement (II) are individually true and Statement (II) is the correct explanation of Statement (I)
(b) Both Statement (I) and Statement (II) are individually true but Statement (II) is not the correct explanation of Statement (I)
(c) Statement (I) is true but Statement (II) is false
(d) Statement (I) is false but Statement (II) is true

Shear stress distribution for different section

IES-12. The shear stress distribution over a beam cross-section is shown in the figure above. The beam is of

- (a) Equal flange I-Section
- (b) Unequal flange I-Section
- (c) Circular cross-section
- (d) T-section



[IES-2003]

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Shear Stress Variation

IAS-1. Consider the following statements:

[IAS-2007]

Two beams of identical cross-section but of different materials carry same bending moment at a particular section, then

1. The maximum bending stress at that section in the two beams will be same.
2. The maximum shearing stress at that section in the two beams will be same.
3. Maximum bending stress at that section will depend upon the elastic modulus of the beam material.
4. Curvature of the beam having greater value of E will be larger.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 3 and 4
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 2, 3 and 4

IAS-2. In a loaded beam under bending

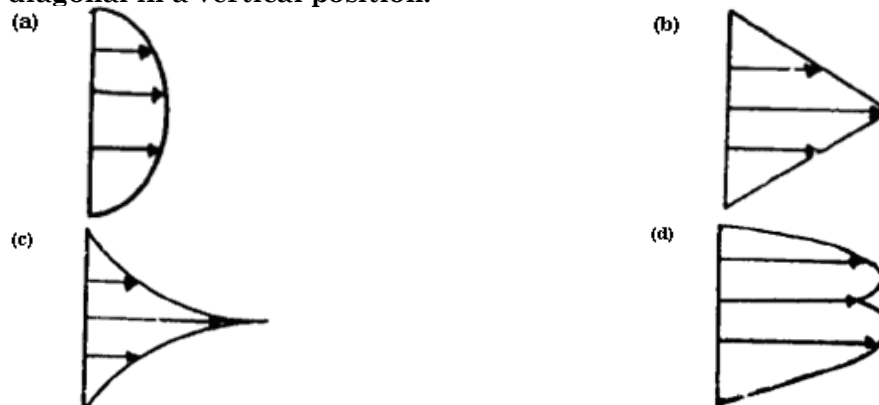
[IAS-2003]

- (a) Both the maximum normal and the maximum shear stresses occur at the skin fibres
- (b) Both the maximum normal and the maximum shear stresses occur the neutral axis
- (c) The maximum normal stress occurs at the skin fibres while the maximum shear stress occurs at the neutral axis
- (d) The maximum normal stress occurs at the neutral axis while the maximum shear stress occurs at the skin fibres

Shear stress distribution for different section



IAS-3. Select the correct shear stress distribution diagram for a square beam with a diagonal in a vertical position:

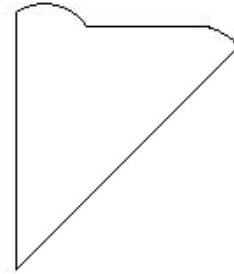
[IAS-2002]



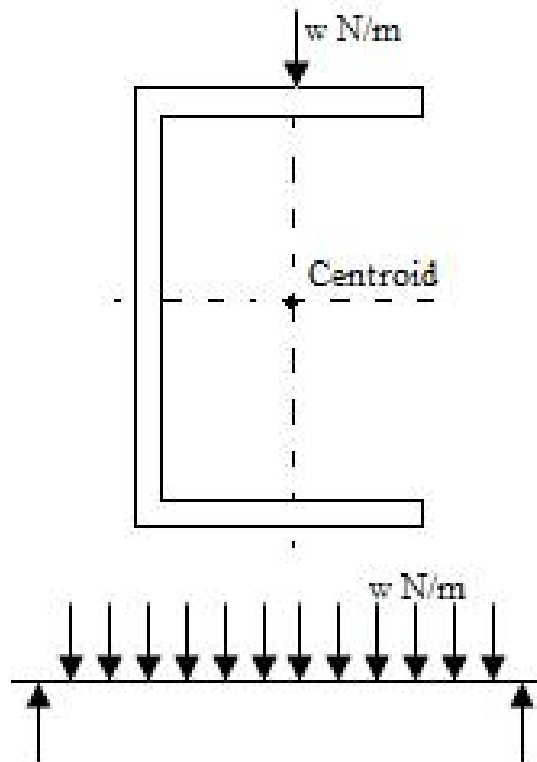
IAS-4. The distribution of shear stress of a beam is shown in the given figure. The cross-section of the beam is:

[IAS-2000]

- (a) 1
 (b) T
 (c) 
 (d) 



IAS-5. A channel-section of the beam shown in the given figure carries a uniformly distributed load. [IAS-2000]



Assertion (A): The line of action of the load passes through the centroid of the cross-section. The beam twists besides bending.

Reason (R): Twisting occurs since the line of action of the load does not pass through the web of the beam.

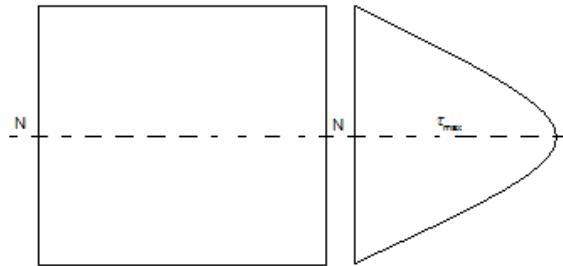
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OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

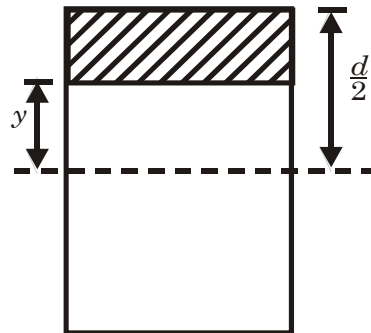
GATE-1. Ans(d) $\tau_{\max} = \frac{3}{2} \tau_{\text{mean}}$

GATE-2. Ans. (b)

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{3}{2} \tau_{\text{mean}}$$



GATE-3. Ans. (b)



$$\tau = \frac{SA \bar{y}}{Ib}$$

$$= \frac{V \times \left(\frac{d}{2} - y \right) \times b \times \left(\frac{\left(\frac{d}{2} \right) + y}{2} \right)}{Ib}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = \frac{V \times \left(\frac{d^2}{4} - y^2 \right)}{2I}$$

$$\therefore dF = \tau \times b \, dy$$

$$= \frac{V \times \left(\frac{d^2}{4} - y^2 \right)}{2I} \times b \, dy$$

Integrating both sides, we get

$$\Rightarrow F = \frac{Vb}{2I} \int_{\frac{d}{6}}^{\frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{d^2}{4} - y^2 \right) dy$$

$$= \frac{Vb}{2I} \left[\frac{d^2}{4} y - \frac{y^3}{3} \right]_{\frac{d}{6}}^{\frac{d}{2}} = \frac{Vb}{2I} \left[\frac{d^3}{8} - \frac{d^3}{24} - \frac{d^3}{24} + \frac{d^3}{648} \right]$$

$$= \frac{Vb}{2I} \times \frac{d^3}{8} \times \frac{28}{81} = \frac{Vb}{2bd^3} \times \frac{d^3}{8} \times \frac{28}{81} \times 12 = \frac{7V}{27}$$

GATE-4. Ans. (b)

Shear flow, $q = \frac{VQ}{I}$

$$I = \frac{50 \times 300^3}{12} + 2 \times \left[\frac{150 \times 50^3}{12} + 150 \times 50 \times 125^2 \right]$$

$$= 3.5 \times 10^8 \text{ mm}^4$$

For any of the four joints,

$$Q = 50 \times 75 \times 125 = 468750 \text{ mm}^3$$

$$\therefore q = \frac{3000 \times 468750}{3.5 \times 10^8} = 4.0 \text{ N/mm} = 4.0 \text{ kN/m}$$

Note: In the original Question Paper, the figure of the beam was drawn as I-section but in language of the question, it was mentioned as T-section. Therefore, there seems to be an error in the question.

GATE-4(i). Ans. 70 to 72

GATE-5. Ans. (c)

Shear stress, $\tau = \frac{SA\bar{y}}{Ib}$

Where

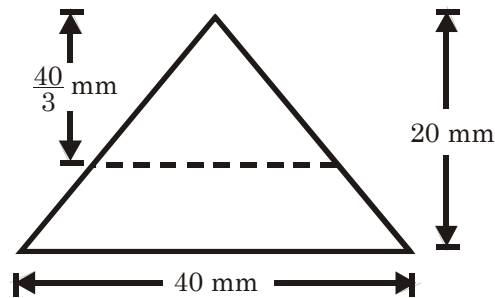
S = Shear force

A = Area above the level where shear stress is desired

\bar{y} = Distance of CG of area A from neutral axis

I = Moment of Inertia about neutral axis

b = Width of the section at the level where shear stress is desired.



$$\text{Width at a distance of } \frac{40}{3} \text{ mm from the top} = \frac{40}{20} \times \frac{40}{3} = \frac{80}{3} \text{ mm}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tau &= \frac{3 \times 10^3 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{80}{3} \times \frac{40}{3} \right) \times \left(\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{40}{3} \right)}{\left(\frac{40 \times 20^3}{36} \right) \times \frac{80}{3}} \\ &= \frac{3 \times 10^3 \times 3200 \times 40 \times 36 \times 3}{162 \times 3200 \times 20^3} = 10 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively,

$$\begin{aligned} q &= \frac{12S}{bh^3} (hy - y^2) \\ &= \frac{12 \times 3 \times 10^3}{40 \times 20^3} \left[20 \times \frac{20}{3} - \left(\frac{20}{3} \right)^2 \right] = 10 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

GATE-6. Ans. (c)

GATE-7. Ans. (d)

GATE-8. Ans. (a)

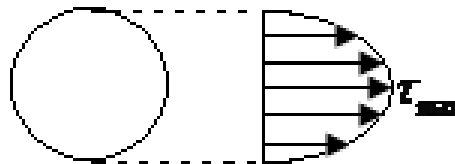
IES ANSWERS

$$\text{IES-1. Ans. (c)} \quad \tau = \frac{V A \bar{y}}{I b} = \frac{V \times \frac{a}{2} \left(\frac{a^2}{4} - y^2 \right)}{\frac{a^4}{12} \times a} = \frac{3 V}{2 a^3} (a^2 - 4y^2) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\tau_A}{\tau_B} = \frac{\frac{3 V}{2 a^3} \cdot a^2}{\frac{3 V}{2 a^3} \cdot \left\{ a^2 - 4 \left(\frac{a}{4} \right)^2 \right\}} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\text{IES-2. Ans. (c)} \quad \text{Shear stress at neutral axis} = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{F}{bd} = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{2000}{10 \times 5} = 60 \text{ kg/cm}^2$$

$$\text{IES-2a. Ans. (a)} \quad \tau_{\max} = 1.5 \tau_{\text{mean}} = 1.5 \times \frac{V}{bh} = 1.5 \times \frac{2000 \text{ kgf}}{20 \text{ cm} \times 5 \text{ cm}} = 30 \text{ kgf/cm}^2$$

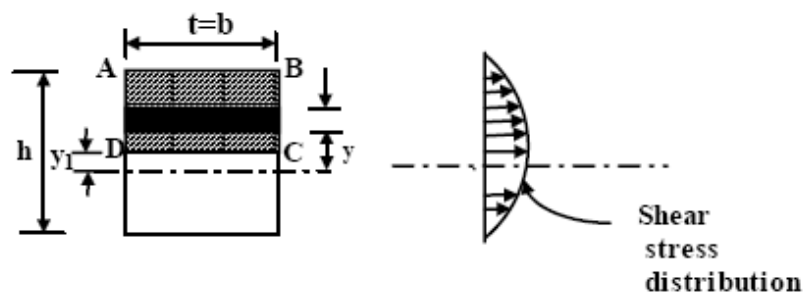
IES-3. Ans. (b) In the case of beams with circular cross-section, the ratio of the maximum shear stress to average shear stress 4:3



Shear Stress Distribution

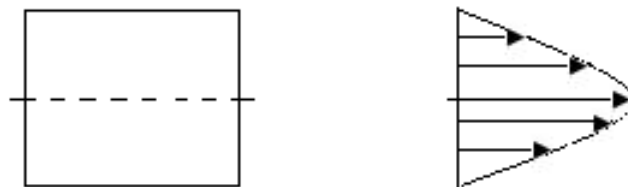
IES-3(i). Ans. (d)

IES-4. Ans. (b)

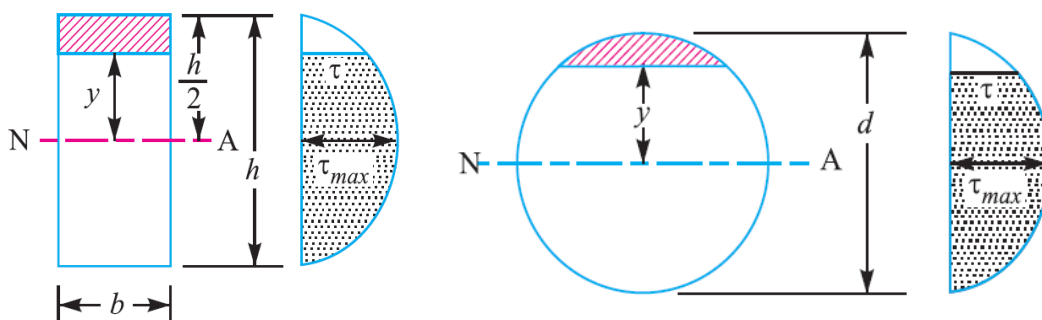


$$\tau = \frac{V}{4I} \left(\frac{h^2}{4} - y_1^2 \right) \text{ indicating a parabolic distribution of shear stress across the cross-section.}$$

IES-5. Ans. (b)



IES-6. Ans. (c)



Shear stress in a rectangular Shear stress in a circular beam, the

beam, maximum shear stress, maximum shear stress,

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{3F}{2b \cdot h} = 1.5 \tau_{(\text{average})}$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{4F}{3 \times \frac{\pi}{4} d^2} = \frac{4}{3} \tau_{(\text{average})}$$

IES-7. Ans (d) $\tau_{\max} = \frac{3}{2} \tau_{\text{mean}}$

IES-8. Ans. (d)

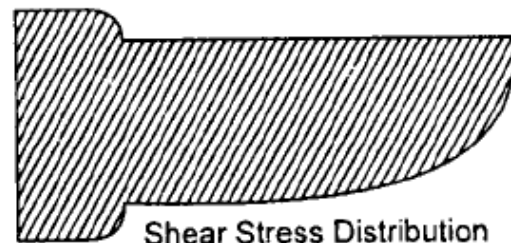
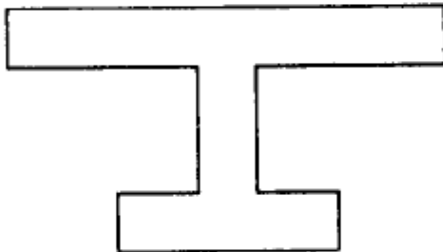
IES-9. Ans. (a)

IES-10. Ans. (b)

IES-11. Ans. (c)

IES-11(i). Ans. (a)

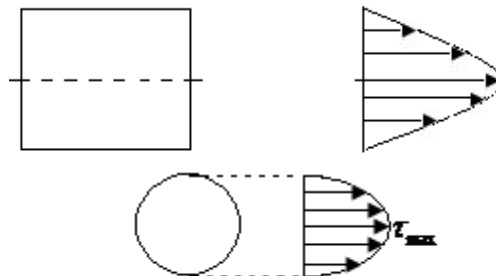
IES-12. Ans. (b)



Shear Stress Distribution

IAS-1. Ans. (a) Bending stress $\delta = \frac{My}{I}$ and shear stress $(\tau) = \frac{VA\bar{y}}{Ib}$ both of them does not depends on material of beam.

IAS-2. Ans. (c)



Shear Stress Distribution

$$\tau = \frac{V}{4I} \left(\frac{h^2}{4} - y_1^2 \right) \text{ indicating a parabolic distribution of shear stress across the cross-section.}$$

IAS-3. Ans. (d)

IAS-4. Ans. (b)

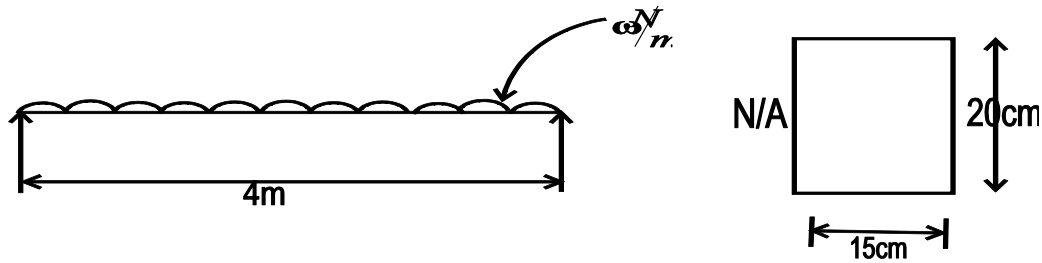
IAS-5. Ans. (c) Twisting occurs since the line of action of the load does not pass through the shear.

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES-2006

Question: A timber beam 15 cm wide and 20 cm deep carries uniformly distributed load over a span of 4 m and is simply supported.

If the permissible stresses are 30 N/mm² longitudinally and 3 N/mm² transverse shear, calculate the maximum load which can be carried by the timber beam.



Answer: Moment of inertia (I) = $\frac{bh^3}{12} = \frac{(0.15) \times (0.20)^3}{12} = 10^{-4} \text{ m}^4$

Distance of neutral axis from the top surface $y = \frac{20}{2} = 10 \text{ cm} = 0.1 \text{ m}$

We know that $\frac{M}{I} = \frac{\sigma}{y}$ or $\sigma = \frac{My}{I}$

Where maximum bending moment due to uniformly distributed load in simply supported beam (M) = $\frac{\omega \ell^2}{8} = \frac{\omega \times 4^2}{8} = 2\omega$

Considering longitudinal stress

$$30 \times 10^6 = \frac{(2\omega) \times 0.1}{10^{-4}}$$

or, $\omega = 15 \text{ kN/m}$

Now considering Shear

Maximum shear force = $\frac{\omega L}{2} = \frac{\omega \cdot 4}{2} = 2\omega$

Therefore average shear stress (τ_{mean}) = $\frac{2\omega}{0.15 \times 0.2} = 66.67 \omega$

For rectangular cross-section

Maximum shear stress (τ_{max}) = $\frac{3}{2} \cdot \tau = \frac{3}{2} \times 66.67 \omega = 100 \omega$

Now $3 \times 10^6 = 100 \omega$; $\omega = 30 \text{ kN/m}$

So maximum load carrying capacity of the beam = 15 kN/m (without fail).



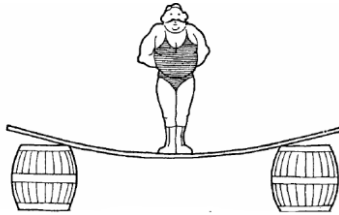
8. Fixed and Continuous Beam

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

What is a beam?

A (usually) horizontal structural member that is subjected to a load that tends to bend it.

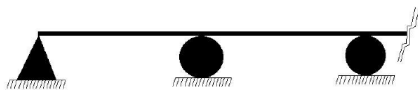
Types of Beams



Simply supported beam



Simply Supported Beams



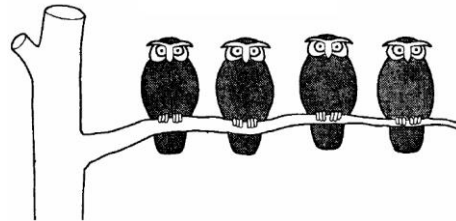
Continuous Beam



Double Overhang Beam



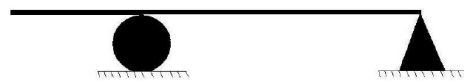
Fixed Beam



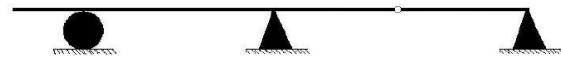
Cantilever beam



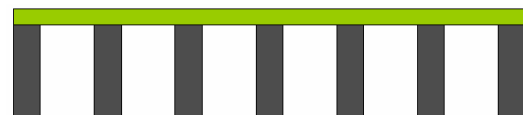
Cantilever Beam



Single Overhang Beam



Single Overhang Beam with internal hinge



Continuous beam

Continuous beams

Beams placed on more than 2 supports are called continuous beams. Continuous beams are used when the span of the beam is very large, deflection under each rigid support will be equal zero.

Analysis of Continuous Beams

(Using 3-moment equation)

Stability of structure

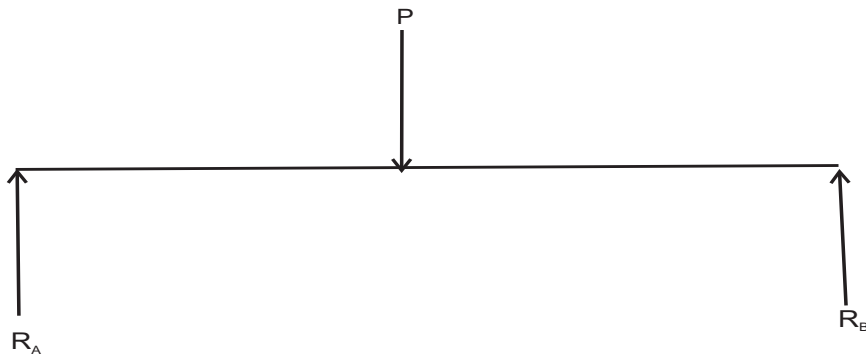
If the equilibrium and geometry of structure is maintained under the action of forces than the structure is said to be stable.

External stability of the structure is provided by the reaction at the supports. Internal stability is provided by proper design and geometry of the member of the structure.

Statically determinate and indeterminate structures

Beams for which reaction forces and internal forces can be found out from static equilibrium equations alone are called statically determinate beam.

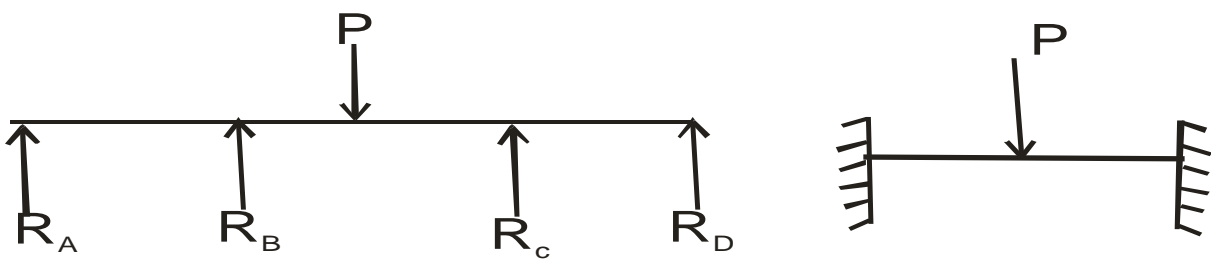
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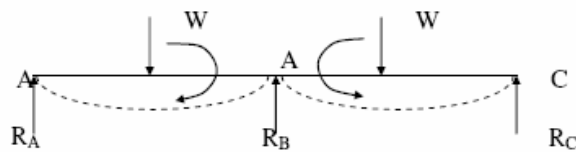
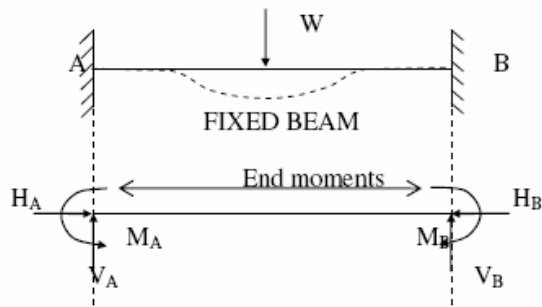
$\sum X_i = 0, \sum Y_i = 0$ and $\sum M_i = 0$ is sufficient to calculate R_A & R_B .

Beams for which reaction forces and internal forces **cannot** be found out from static equilibrium equations alone are called statically indeterminate beam. This type of beam requires deformation equation in addition to static equilibrium equations to solve for unknown forces.

Example:



Ex:



No. of unknowns = 6

No. of eq. Condition = 3

Therefore statically indeterminate

Degree of indeterminacy = $6 - 3 = 3$

No. of unknowns = 3

No. of equilibrium Conditions = 2

Therefore Statically indeterminate

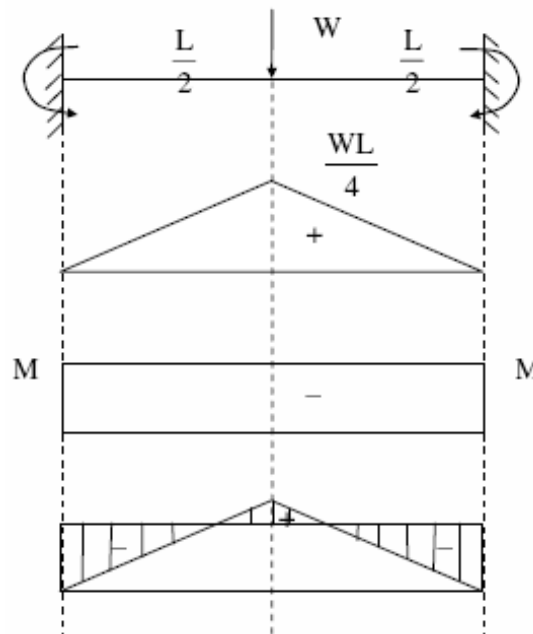
Degree of indeterminacy = 1

Advantages of fixed ends or fixed supports

- Slope at the ends is zero.
- Fixed beams are stiffer, stronger and more stable than SSB.
- In case of fixed beams, fixed end moments will reduce the BM in each section.
- The maximum deflection is reduced.

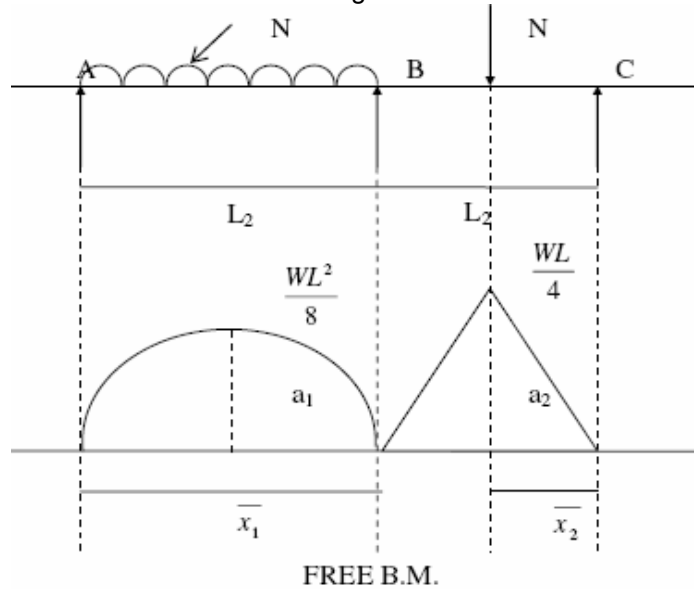
Bending moment diagram for fixed beam

Example:



BMD for Continuous beams

BMD for continuous beams can be obtained by superimposing the fixed end moments diagram over the free bending moment diagram.



Three - moment Equation for continuous beams OR Clapeyron's Three Moment Equation

$$M_A \left(\frac{L_1}{E_1 I_1} \right) + 2M_B \left(\frac{L_1}{E_1 I_1} + \frac{L_2}{E_2 I_2} \right) + M_C \left(\frac{L_2}{E_2 I_2} \right) \\ = \frac{-6a_1 \bar{x}_1}{E_1 I_1 L_1} - \frac{6a_2 \bar{x}_2}{E_2 I_2 L_2} - 6 \left[\frac{\delta_A - \delta_B}{L_1} + \frac{\delta_C - \delta_B}{L_2} \right]$$

The above equation is called generalized 3-moments Equation.

M_A , M_B and M_C are support moments E_1 , $E_2 \rightarrow$ Young's modulus

of Elasticity of 2 spans.

I_1 , $I_2 \rightarrow$ M O I of 2 spans,

a_1 , $a_2 \rightarrow$ Areas of free B.M.D.

\bar{x}_1 and $\bar{x}_2 \rightarrow$ Distance of free B.M.D. from the end supports, or outer supports.

(A and C)

δ_A , δ_B and $\delta_C \rightarrow$ are sinking or settlements of support from their initial position.

OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

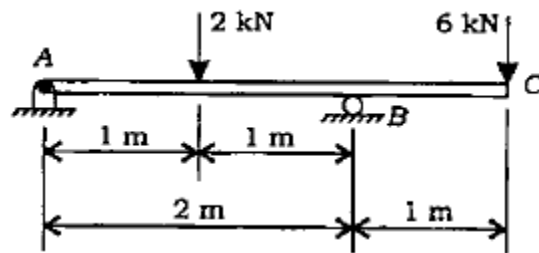
Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Overhanging Beam

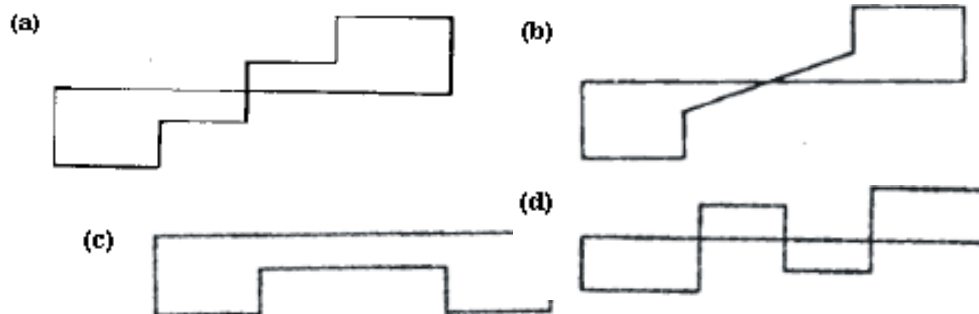
IES-1. An overhanging beam ABC is supported at points A and B, as shown in the above figure. Find the maximum bending moment and the point where it occurs.

[IES-2009]

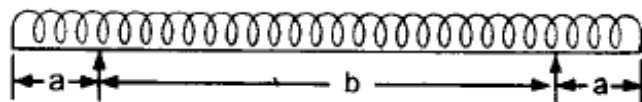
- (a) 6 kN-m at the right support
- (b) 6 kN-m at the left support
- (c) 4.5 kN-m at the right support
- (d) 4.5 kN-m at the midpoint between the supports



IES-2. A beam of length $4L$ is simply supported on two supports with equal overhangs of L on either sides and carries three equal loads, one each at free ends and the third at the mid-span. Which one of the following diagrams represents correct distribution of shearing force on the beam? [IES-2004]



IES-3. A horizontal beam carrying uniformly distributed load is supported with equal overhangs as shown in the given figure



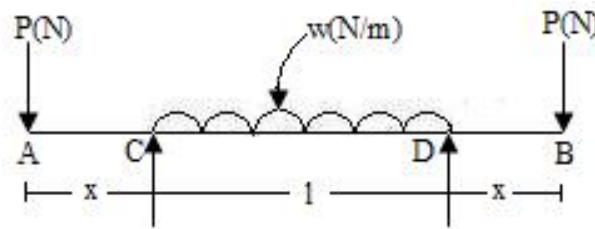
The resultant bending moment at the mid-span shall be zero if a/b is: [IES-2001]

- (a) $3/4$
- (b) $2/3$
- (c) $1/2$
- (d) $1/3$

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Overhanging Beam

IAS-1.



If the beam shown in the given figure is to have zero bending moment at its middle point, the overhang x should be: [IAS-2000]

- (a) $wl^2 / 4P$ (b) $wl^2 / 6P$ (c) $wl^2 / 8P$ (d) $wl^2 / 12P$

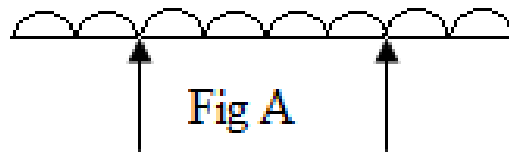
IAS-2.

A beam carrying a uniformly distributed load rests on two supports 'b' apart with equal overhangs 'a' at each end. The ratio b/a for zero bending moment at mid-span is: [IAS-1997]

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) 1 (c) $\frac{3}{2}$ (d) 2

IAS-3.

A beam carries a uniformly distributed load and is supported with two equal overhangs as shown in figure 'A'. Which one of the following correctly shows the bending moment diagram of the beam? [IAS 1994]



- (a) (b)
- (c) (d)

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

IES-1. Ans. (a) Taking moment about A

$$V_B \times 2 = (2 \times 1) + (6 \times 3)$$

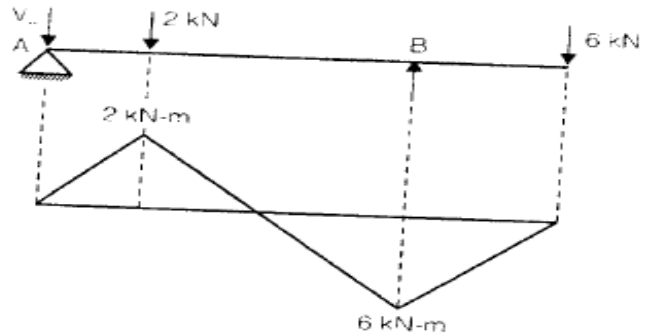
$$\Rightarrow 2V_B = 2 + 18$$

$$\Rightarrow V_B = 10 \text{ kN}$$

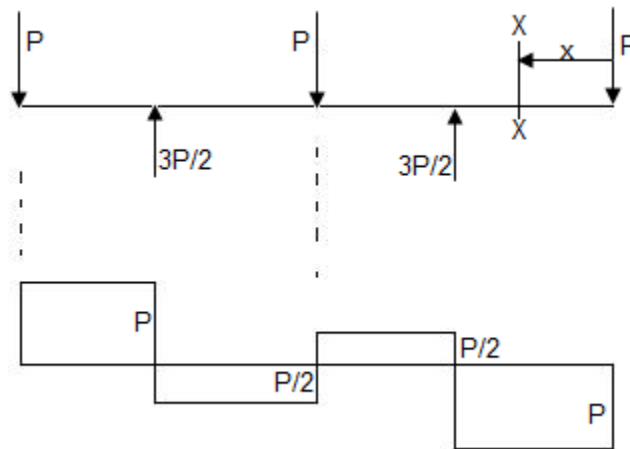
$$V_A + V_B = 2 + 6 = 8 \text{ kN}$$

$$\therefore V_A = 8 - 10 = -2 \text{ kN}$$

\therefore Maximum Bending Moment = 6 kN-m at the right support



IES-2. Ans. (d)



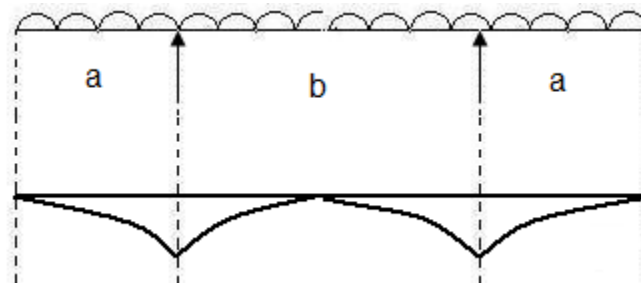
They use opposite sign conversions but for correct sign remember S.F & B.M of cantilever is (-) i.e.

IES-3. Ans. (c)

IAS-1. Ans. (c) $R_c = R_D = P + \frac{wl}{2}$

$$\text{Bending moment at mid point (M)} = -\frac{wl}{2} \times \frac{l}{4} + R_D \times \frac{l}{2} - P \left(x + \frac{l}{2} \right) = 0 \text{ gives } x = \frac{wl^2}{8P}$$

IAS-2. Ans. (d)



(i) By similarity in the B.M diagram a must be b/2

(ii) By formula $M = \frac{w}{2} \left[\frac{b^2}{4} - a^2 \right] = 0$ gives $a = b/2$

IAS-3. Ans. (a)

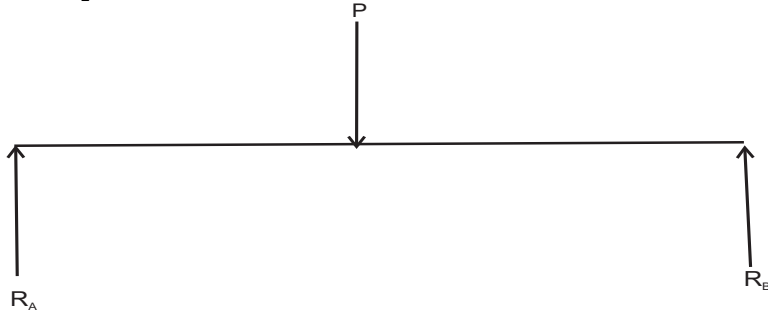
Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES-2006

Question: What are statically determinate and indeterminate beams? Illustrate each case through examples.

Answer: Beams for which reaction forces and internal forces can be found out from static equilibrium equations alone are called statically determinate beam.

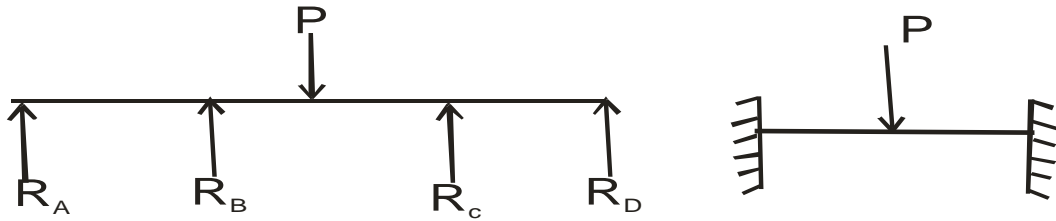
Example:



$\sum X_i = 0, \sum Y_i = 0$ and $\sum M_i = 0$ is sufficient to calculate R_A & R_B .

Beams for which reaction forces and internal forces **cannot** be found out from static equilibrium equations alone are called statically indeterminate beam. This type of beam requires deformation equation in addition to static equilibrium equations to solve for unknown forces.

Example:





Torsion

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

- In machinery, the general term “*shaft*” refers to a member, usually of circular cross-section, which supports gears, sprockets, wheels, rotors, etc., and which is subjected to torsion and to transverse or axial loads acting singly or in combination.
- An “*axle*” is a rotating/non-rotating member that supports wheels, pulleys,... and carries no torque.
- A “*spindle*” is a short shaft. Terms such as *lineshaft*, *headshaft*, *stub shaft*, *transmission shaft*, *countershaft*, and *flexible shaft* are names associated with special usage.

Torsion of circular shafts

1. Equation for shafts subjected to torsion "T"

Torsion Equation

$$\frac{\tau}{R} = \frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L}$$

Where J = Polar moment of inertia

τ = Shear stress induced due to torsion T .

G = Modulus of rigidity

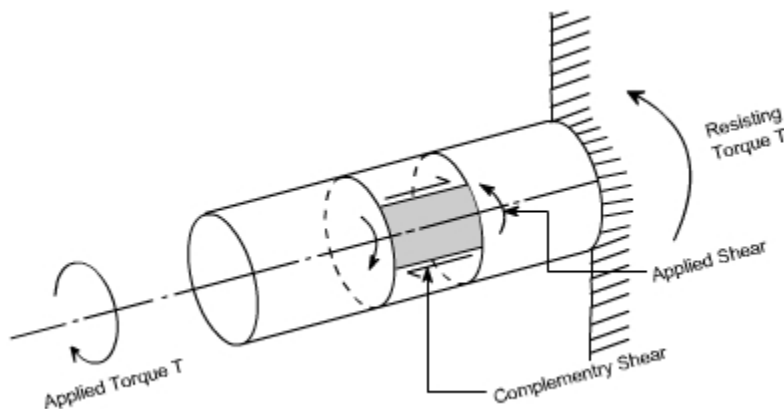
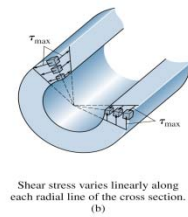
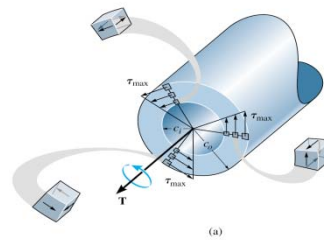
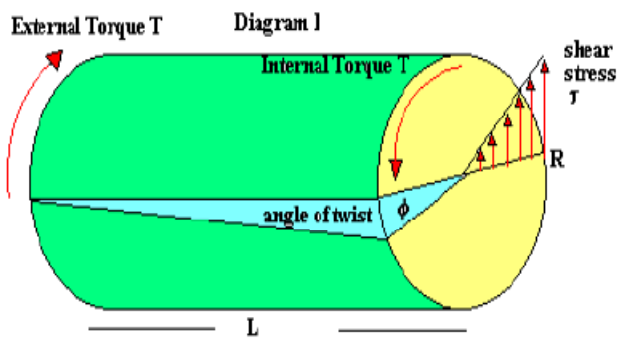
θ = Angular deflection of shaft

R, L = Shaft radius & length respectively

Assumptions

- The bar is acted upon by a pure torque.
- The section under consideration is remote from the point of application of the load and from a change in diameter.
- Adjacent cross sections originally plane and parallel remain plane and parallel after twisting, and any radial line remains straight.
- The material obeys Hooke's law

- Cross-sections rotate as if rigid, i.e. every diameter rotates through the same angle



2. Polar moment of inertia

As stated above, the polar second moment of area, J is defined as

$$J = \int_0^R 2\pi r^3 dr$$

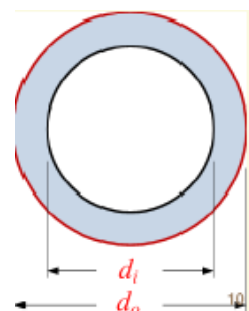
For a solid shaft

$$J = 2\pi \left[\frac{r^4}{4} \right]_0^R = \frac{2\pi R^4}{4} = \frac{\pi D^4}{32} \quad (6)$$

For a hollow shaft of internal radius r :

$$J = \int_0^R 2\pi r^3 dr = 2\pi \left[\frac{r^4}{4} \right]_r^R = \frac{\pi}{2} (R^4 - r^4) = \frac{\pi}{32} (D^4 - d^4) \quad (7)$$

Where D is the external and d is the internal diameter.



- Solid shaft " J " = $\frac{\pi d^4}{32}$
- Hollow shaft, " J " = $\frac{\pi}{32} (d_o^4 - d_i^4)$

3. The polar section modulus

$$Z_p = J / c, \text{ where } c = r = D/2$$

- For a solid circular cross-section, $Z_p = \pi D^3 / 16$
- For a hollow circular cross-section, $Z_p = \pi (D_o^4 - D_i^4) / (16D_o)$
- Then, $\tau_{\max} = T / Z_p$
- If design shears stress, τ_d is known, required polar section modulus can be calculated from:

$$Z_p = T / \tau_d$$

Torsional Stiffness

The torsional stiffness k is defined as the torque per radius twist $(K_T) = \frac{T}{\theta} = \frac{GJ}{L}$

4. Power Transmission (P)

- $P \text{ (in Watt)} = \frac{2\pi NT}{60}$
- $P \text{ (in hp)} = \frac{2\pi NT}{4500} \quad (1 \text{ hp} = 75 \text{ Kgm/sec}).$

[Where N = rpm; T = Torque in N-m.]

5. Safe diameter of Shaft (d)

- Stiffness consideration

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L}$$

- Shear Stress consideration

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R}$$

We take higher value of diameter of both cases above for overall safety if other parameters are given.

6. In twisting

- Solid shaft, $\tau_{\max} = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$
- Hollow shaft, $\tau_{\max} = \frac{16Td_o}{\pi(d_o^4 - d_i^4)}$
- Diameter of a shaft to have a maximum deflection " α " $d = 4.9 \times \sqrt[4]{\frac{TL}{G\alpha}}$

[Where T in N-mm, L in mm, G in N/mm²]

7. Comparison of solid and hollow shaft

- A Hollow shaft will transmit a greater torque than a solid shaft of the same weight & same material because the average shear stress in the hollow shaft is smaller than the average shear stress in the solid shaft

$$\bullet \frac{(\tau_{\max})_{\text{hollow shaft}}}{(\tau_{\max})_{\text{solid shaft}}} = \frac{16}{15} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{If solid shaft dia} = D \\ \text{Hollow shaft, } d_o = D, d_i = \frac{D}{2} \end{array} \right]$$

- Strength comparison (same weight, material, length and τ_{\max})

$$\frac{T_h}{T_s} = \frac{n^2 + 1}{n\sqrt{n^2 - 1}} \quad \text{Where, } n = \frac{\text{External diameter of hollow shaft}}{\text{Internal diameter of hollow shaft}} \quad [\text{ONGC-2005}]$$

- Weight comparison (same Torque, material, length and τ_{\max})

$$\frac{W_h}{W_s} = \frac{(n^2 - 1)n^{2/3}}{(n^4 - 1)^{2/3}} \quad \text{Where, } n = \frac{\text{External diameter of hollow shaft}}{\text{Internal diameter of hollow shaft}} \quad [\text{WBPS-2003}]$$

- Strain energy comparison (same weight, material, length and τ_{\max})

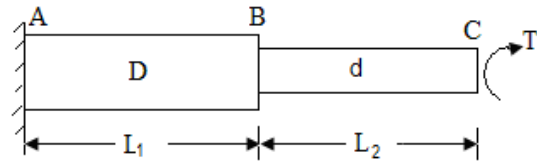
$$\frac{U_h}{U_s} = \frac{n^2 + 1}{n^2} = 1 + \frac{1}{n^2}$$

8. Shaft in series

$$\theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2$$

Torque (T) is same in all section

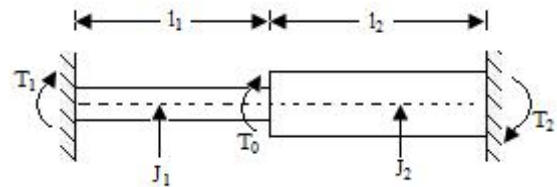
Electrical analogy gives torque(T) = Current (I)



9. Shaft in parallel

$$\theta_1 = \theta_2 \quad \text{and} \quad T = T_1 + T_2$$

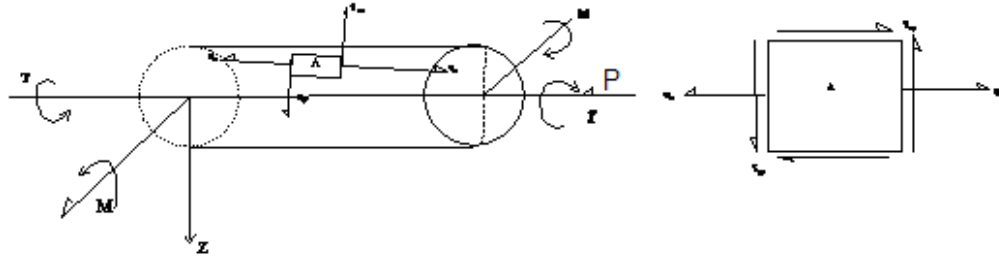
Electrical analogy gives torque(T) = Current (I)



10. Combined Bending and Torsion

- In most practical transmission situations shafts which carry torque are also subjected to bending, if only by virtue of the self-weight of the gears they carry. Many other practical applications occur where bending and torsion arise simultaneously so that this type of loading represents one of the major sources of complex stress situations.
- In the case of shafts, bending gives rise to tensile stress on one surface and compressive stress on the opposite surface while torsion gives rise to pure shear throughout the shaft.
- For shafts subjected to the simultaneous application of a bending moment M and torque T the *principal stresses* set up in the shaft can be shown to be equal to those produced by an *equivalent bending moment*, of a certain value M_e acting alone.

- Figure



- Maximum direct stress (σ_x) & Shear stress (τ_{xy}) in element A

$$\sigma_x = \frac{32M}{\pi d^3} + \frac{P}{A}$$

$$\tau_{xy} = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$$

- Principal normal stresses ($\sigma_{1,2}$) & Maximum shearing stress (τ_{\max})

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x}{2}\right)^2 + (\tau_{xy})^2}$$

- Maximum Principal Stress (σ_{\max}) & Maximum shear stress (τ_{\max})

$$\sigma_{\max} = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \left[M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} \right]$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}$$

- Location of Principal plane (θ)

$$\theta = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{T}{M} \right)$$

- Equivalent bending moment (M_e) & Equivalent torsion (T_e).

$$M_e = \left[\frac{M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}}{2} \right]$$

$$T_e = \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}$$

- Important Note**

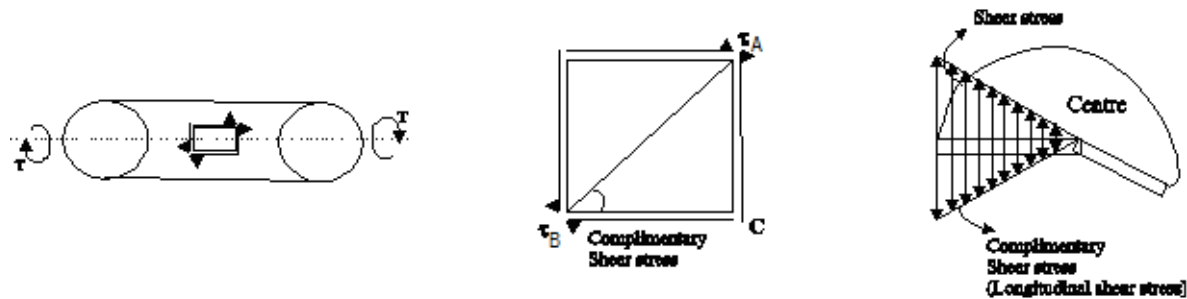
- Uses of the formulas are limited to cases in which both M & T are known. Under any other condition Mohr's circle is used.

- Safe diameter of shaft (d) on the basis of an allowable working stress.

- σ_w in tension , $d = \sqrt[3]{\frac{32M_e}{\pi\sigma_w}}$
 - τ_w in shear , $d = \sqrt[3]{\frac{16T_e}{\pi\tau_w}}$

11. Shaft subjected to twisting moment only

- Figure



- Normal force (F_n) & Tangential for (F_t) on inclined plane AB

$$F_n = -\tau \times [BC \sin \theta + AC \cos \theta]$$
$$F_t = \tau \times [BC \cos \theta - AC \sin \theta]$$

- Normal stress (σ_n) & Tangential stress (shear stress) (σ_t) on inclined plane AB.

$$\sigma_n = -\tau \sin 2\theta$$
$$\sigma_t = \tau \cos 2\theta$$

- Maximum normal & shear stress on AB

θ	$(\sigma_n)_{\max}$	τ_{\max}
0	0	$+\tau$
45°	$-\tau$	0
90	0	$-\tau$
135	$+\tau$	0

• Important Note

- Principal stresses at a point on the surface of the shaft = $+\tau$, $-\tau$, 0

i.e $\sigma_{1,2} = \pm \tau \sin 2\theta$

- Principal strains

$$\epsilon_1 = \frac{\tau}{E}(1 + \mu); \quad \epsilon_2 = -\frac{\tau}{E}(1 + \mu); \quad \epsilon_3 = 0$$

- Volumetric strain,

$$\epsilon_v = \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 = 0$$

- No change in volume for a shaft subjected to pure torque.

12. Torsional Stresses in Non-Circular Cross-section Members

- There are some applications in machinery for non-circular cross-section members and shafts where a regular polygonal cross-section is useful in transmitting torque to a gear or pulley that can have an axial change in position. Because no key or keyway is needed, the possibility of a lost key is avoided.
- Saint Venant (1855) showed that τ_{\max} in a rectangular $b \times c$ section bar occurs in the middle of the longest side b and is of magnitude formula

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{T}{\alpha b c^2} = \frac{T}{b c^2} \left(3 + \frac{1.8}{b/c} \right)$$

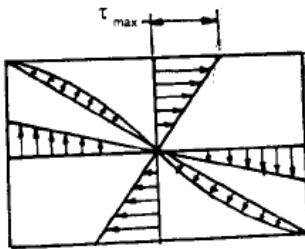
Where b is the longer side and α factor that is function of the ratio b/c .

The angle of twist is given by

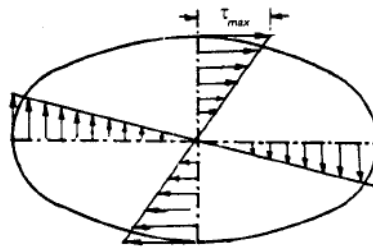
$$\theta = \frac{Tl}{\beta b c^3 G}$$

Where β is a function of the ratio b/c

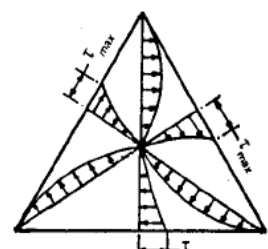
Shear stress distribution in different cross-section



Rectangular c/s



Elliptical c/s



Triangular c/s

13. Torsion of thin walled tube

- For a thin walled tube

$$\text{Shear stress, } \tau = \frac{T}{2A_0 t}$$

$$\text{Angle of twist, } \phi = \frac{\tau s L}{2A_0 G}$$

[Where S = length of mean centre line, A_0 = Area enclosed by mean centre line]

- Special Cases**

- For circular c/s

$$J = 2\pi r^3 t; \quad A_0 = \pi r^2; \quad S = 2\pi r$$

[r = radius of mean Centre line and t = wall thickness]

$$\therefore \tau = \frac{T}{2\pi r^2 t} = \frac{T \cdot r}{J} = \frac{T}{2A_0 t}$$

$$\phi = \frac{TL}{GJ} = \frac{\tau L}{A_o JG} = \frac{TL}{2\pi r^3 tG}$$

- For square c/s of length of each side 'b' and thickness 't'

$$A_o = b^2$$

$$S = 4b$$

- For elliptical c/s 'a' and 'b' are the half axis lengths.

$$A_o = \pi ab$$

$$S \approx \pi \left[\frac{3}{2}(a+b) - \sqrt{ab} \right]$$

OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Torsion Equation

GATE-1. A solid circular shaft of 60 mm diameter transmits a torque of 1600 N.m. The value of maximum shear stress developed is: [GATE-2004]

- (a) 37.72 MPa (b) 47.72 MPa (c) 57.72 MPa (d) 67.72 MPa

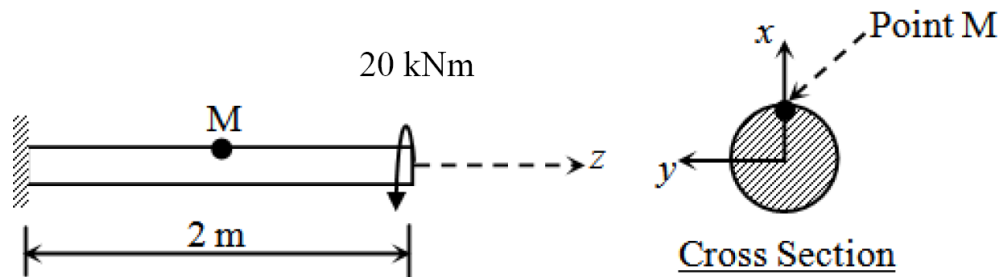
GATE-2. Maximum shear stress developed on the surface of a solid circular shaft under pure torsion is 240 MPa. If the shaft diameter is doubled then the maximum shear stress developed corresponding to the same torque will be: [GATE-2003]

- (a) 120 MPa (b) 60 MPa (c) 30 MPa (d) 15 MPa

GATE-2a. A long shaft of diameter d is subjected to twisting moment T at its ends. The maximum normal stress acting at its cross-section is equal to [CE: GATE-2006]

- (a) zero (b) $\frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ (c) $\frac{32T}{\pi d^3}$ (d) $\frac{64T}{\pi d^3}$

GATE-2b. A solid circular beam with radius of 0.25 m and length of 2 m is subjected to a twisting moment of 20 kNm about the z -axis at the free end, which is the only load acting as shown in the figure. The shear stress component τ_{xy} at point 'M' in the cross-section of the beam at a distance of 1 m from the fixed end is



- (a) 0.0 MPa (b) 0.51 MPa (c) 0.815 MPa (d) 2.0 MPa [CE: GATE-2018]

GATE-2c. A shaft with a circular cross-section is subjected to pure twisting moment. The ratio of the maximum shear stress to the largest principal stress is

- (a) 2.0 (b) 1.0 (c) 0.5 (d) 0 [GATE-2016]

GATE-3. A steel shaft 'A' of diameter ' d ' and length ' l ' is subjected to a torque ' T '. Another shaft 'B' made of aluminium of the same diameter ' d ' and length $0.5l$ is also subjected to the same torque ' T '. The shear modulus of steel is 2.5 times the shear modulus of aluminium. The shear stress in the steel shaft is 100 MPa. The shear stress in the aluminium shaft, in MPa, is: [GATE-2000]

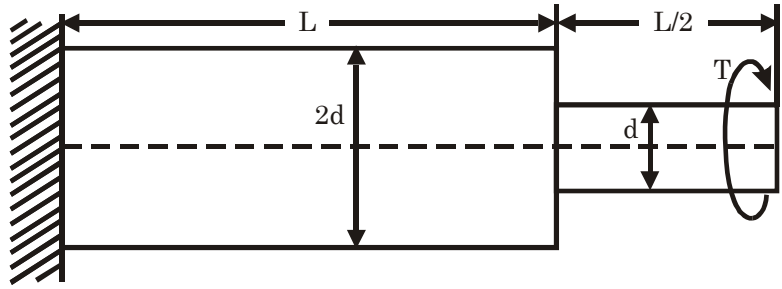
- (a) 40 (b) 50 (c) 100 (d) 250

GATE-4. For a circular shaft of diameter d subjected to torque T , the maximum value of the shear stress is: [GATE-2006]

- (a) $\frac{64T}{\pi d^3}$ (b) $\frac{32T}{\pi d^3}$ (c) $\frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ (d) $\frac{8T}{\pi d^3}$

GATE-4a. Two solid circular shafts of radii R_1 and R_2 are subjected to same torque. The maximum shear stresses developed in the two shafts are τ_1 and τ_2 . If $\frac{R_1}{R_2} = 2$, then $\frac{\tau_2}{\tau_1}$ is [GATE-2014]

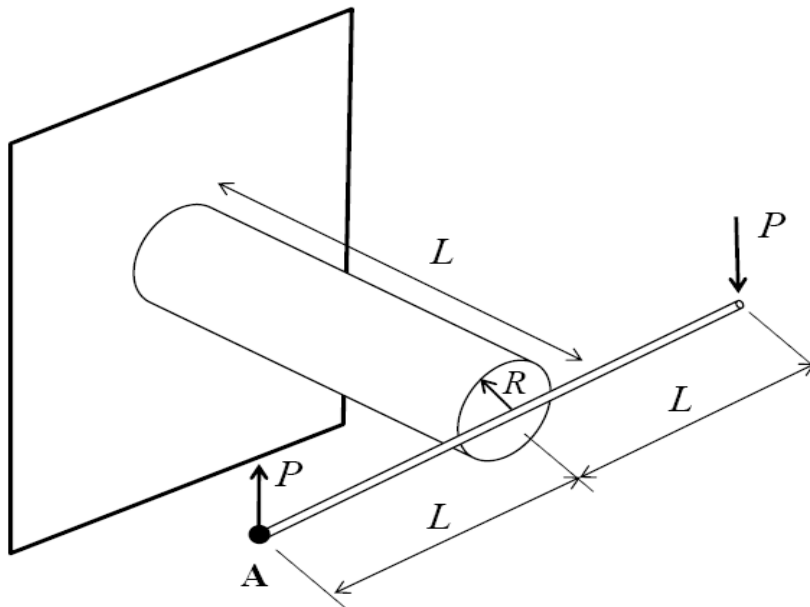
GATE-4b. A torque T is applied at the free end of a stepped rod of circular cross-sections as shown in the figure. The shear modulus of the material of the rod is G . The expression for d to produce an angular twist θ at the free end is



[GATE-2011]

- (a) $\left(\frac{32 TL}{\pi \theta G}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$ (b) $\left(\frac{18 TL}{\pi \theta G}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$ (c) $\left(\frac{16 TL}{\pi \theta G}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$ (d) $\left(\frac{2 TL}{\pi \theta G}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

GATE-4c. A rigid horizontal rod of length $2L$ is fixed to a circular cylinder of radius R as shown in the figure. Vertical forces of magnitude P are applied at the two ends as shown in the figure. The shear modulus for the cylinder is G and the Young's modulus is E .



The vertical deflection at point A is

- (a) $\frac{PL^3}{\pi R^4 G}$ (b) $\frac{PL^3}{\pi R^4 E}$ (c) $\frac{2PL^3}{\pi R^4 E}$ (d) $\frac{4PL^3}{\pi R^4 G}$

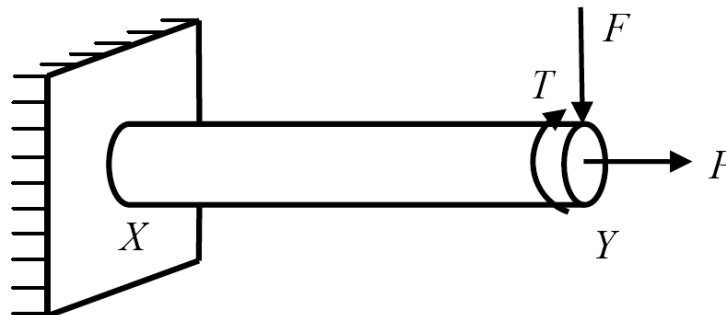
GATE-4d. A hollow circular shaft of inner radius 10 mm outer radius 20 mm and length 1 m is to be used as a torsional spring. If the shear modulus of the material of the shaft is 150 GPa, the torsional stiffness of the shaft (in KN-m/rad) is _____ (correct to two decimal places). [GATE-2018]

Power Transmitted by Shaft

- GATE-5.** A motor driving a solid circular steel shaft transmits 40 KW of power at 500 rpm. If the diameter of the shaft is 40 mm, the maximum shear stress in the shaft is _____ MPa. [GATE-2017]
- GATE-5a.** The diameter of shaft A is twice the diameter of shaft B and both are made of the same material. Assuming both the shafts to rotate at the same speed, the maximum power transmitted by B is: [IES-2001; GATE-1994]
 (a) The same as that of A (b) Half of A (c) $1/8^{\text{th}}$ of A (d) $1/4^{\text{th}}$ of A
- GATE-5b.** A hollow circular shaft has an outer diameter of 100 mm and a wall thickness of 25 mm. The allowable shear stress in the shaft is 125 MPa. The maximum torque the shaft can transmit is [CE: GATE-2009]
 (a) 46 kN-m (b) 24.5 kN-m (c) 23 kN-m (d) 11.5 kN-m
- GATE-5c.** A hollow shaft of 1 m length is designed to transmit a power of 30 KW at 700 rpm. The maximum permissible angle of twist in the shaft is 1° . The inner diameter of the shaft is 0.7 times the outer diameter. The modulus of rigidity is 80 GPa. The outside diameter (in mm) of the shaft is _____ [GATE-2015]
- GATE-5d.** A hollow shaft $d_o = 2d_i$ (where d_o and d_i are the outer and inner diameters respectively) needs to transmit 20 KW power at 3000 RPM. If the maximum permissible shear stress is 30 MPa, d_o is [GATE-2015]
 (a) 11.29 mm (b) 22.58 mm (c) 33.87 mm (d) 45.16 mm

Combined Bending and Torsion

- GATE-6.** A solid shaft can resist a bending moment of 3.0 kNm and a twisting moment of 4.0 kNm together, then the maximum torque that can be applied is: [GATE-1996]
 (a) 7.0 kNm (b) 3.5 kNm (c) 4.5 kNm (d) 5.0 kNm
- GATE-6i.** A machine element XY, fixed at end X, is subjected to an axial load P , transverse load F , and a twisting moment T at its free end Y. The most critical point from the strength point of view is [GATE-2016]



- (a) a point on the circumference at location Y
 (b) a point at the centre at location Y
 (c) a point on the circumference at location X
 (d) a point at the centre at location X

Comparison of Solid and Hollow Shafts

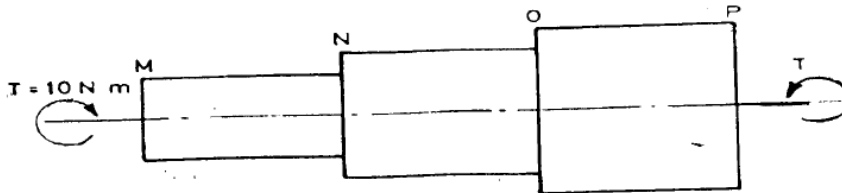
- GATE-7.** The outside diameter of a hollow shaft is twice its inside diameter. The ratio of its torque carrying capacity to that of a solid shaft of the same material and the same outside diameter is: [GATE-1993; IES-2001]
 (a) $\frac{15}{16}$ (b) $\frac{3}{4}$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{16}$

- GATE-7(i) The maximum and minimum shear stresses in a hollow circular shaft of outer diameter 20 mm and thickness 2 mm, subjected to a torque of 92.7 N-m will be
 (a) 59 MPa and 47.2 MPa (b) 100 MPa and 80 MPa [CE: GATE-2007]
 (c) 118 MPa and 160 MPa (d) 200 MPa and 160 MPa

- GATE-7(ii) The maximum shear stress in a solid shaft of circular cross-section having diameter d subjected to a torque T is τ . If the torque is increased by four times and the diameter of the shaft is increased by two times, the maximum shear stress in the shaft will be [CE: GATE-2008]
 (a) 2τ (b) τ (c) $\frac{\tau}{2}$ (d) $\frac{\tau}{4}$

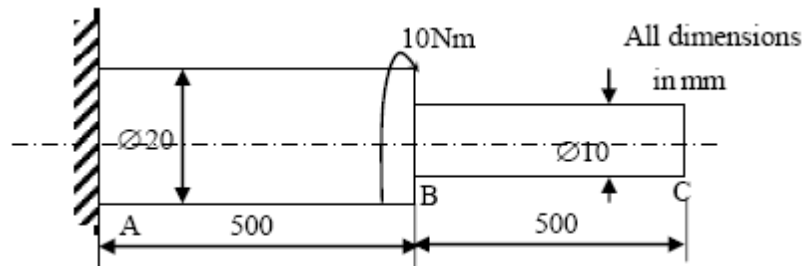
Shafts in Series

- GATE-8. A torque of 10 Nm is transmitted through a stepped shaft as shown in figure. The torsional stiffness of individual sections of lengths MN, NO and OP are 20 Nm/rad, 30 Nm/rad and 60 Nm/rad respectively. The angular deflection between the ends M and P of the shaft is: [GATE-2004]



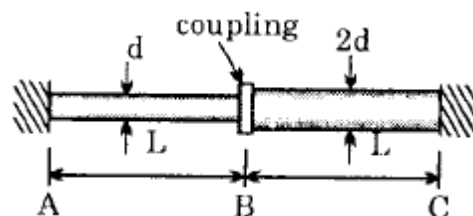
- (a) 0.5 rad (b) 1.0 rad (c) 5.0 rad (d) 10.0 rad

- GATE-8(i) Consider a stepped shaft subjected to a twisting moment applied at B as shown in the figure. Assume shear modulus, $G = 77$ GPa. The angle of twist at C (in degrees) is ____ [GATE-2015]



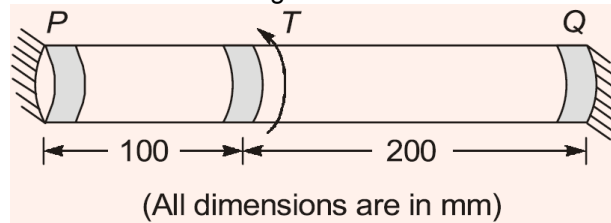
Shafts in Parallel

- GATE-9. The two shafts AB and BC, of equal length and diameters d and $2d$, are made of the same material. They are joined at B through a shaft coupling, while the ends A and C are built-in (cantilevered). A twisting moment T is applied to the coupling. If T_A and T_C represent the twisting moments at the ends A and C, respectively, then



- (a) $T_C = T_A$ (b) $T_C = 8 T_A$ (c) $T_C = 16 T_A$ (d) $T_A = 16 T_C$ [GATE-2005]

- GATE-9a. A bar of circular cross section is clamped at ends P and Q as shown in the figure. A torsional moment $T = 150$ Nm is applied at a distance of 100 mm from end P. The torsional reactions (T_p , T_q) in Nm at the ends P and Q respectively are [GATE-2018]



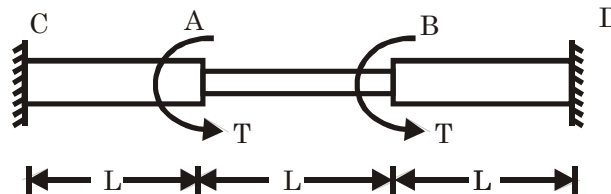
(a) (50, 100)

(b) (75, 75)

(c) (100, 50)

(d) (120, 30)

GATE-10. A circular shaft shown in the figure is subjected to torsion T at two points A and B. The torsional rigidity of portions CA and BD is GJ_1 and that of portion AB is GJ_2 . The rotations of shaft at points A and B are θ_1 and θ_2 . The rotation θ_1 is [CE: GATE-2005]

(a) $\frac{TL}{GJ_1 + GJ_2}$ (b) $\frac{TL}{GJ_1}$ (c) $\frac{TL}{GJ_2}$ (d) $\frac{TL}{GJ_1 - GJ_2}$

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Torsion Equation

IES-1. Consider the following statements: [IES- 2008]

Maximum shear stress induced in a power transmitting shaft is:

1. Directly proportional to torque being transmitted.
2. Inversely proportional to the cube of its diameter.
3. Directly proportional to its polar moment of inertia.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 1 and 3 only (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1 and 2 only

IES-2. A solid shaft transmits a torque T . The allowable shearing stress is τ . What is the diameter of the shaft? [IES-2008]

- (a) $\sqrt[3]{\frac{16T}{\pi\tau}}$ (b) $\sqrt[3]{\frac{32T}{\pi\tau}}$ (c) $\sqrt[3]{\frac{16T}{\tau}}$ (d) $\sqrt[3]{\frac{T}{\tau}}$

IES-2(i). If a solid circular shaft of steel 2 cm in diameter is subjected to a permissible shear stress 10 kN/cm², then the value of the twisting moment (T_r) will be
(a) 10π kN-cm (b) 20π kN-cm (c) 15π kN-cm (d) 5π kN-cm [IES-2012]

IES-3. Maximum shear stress developed on the surface of a solid circular shaft under pure torsion is 240 MPa. If the shaft diameter is doubled, then what is the maximum shear stress developed corresponding to the same torque? [IES-2009]
(a) 120 MPa (b) 60 MPa (c) 30 MPa (d) 15 MPa

IES-4. The diameter of a shaft is increased from 30 mm to 60 mm, all other conditions remaining unchanged. How many times is its torque carrying capacity increased? [IES-1995; 2004]

(a) 2 times

(b) 4 times

(c) 8 times

(d) 16 times

IES-4(i). Two shafts A and B are of same material and A is twice the diameter of B. The torque that can be transmitted by A is [IES-2015,2016]

(a) 2 times that of B

(b) 8 times that of B

(c) 4 times that of B

(d) 6 times that of B

IES-5. A circular shaft subjected to twisting moment results in maximum shear stress of 60 MPa. Then the maximum compressive stress in the material is: [IES-2003]

(a) 30 MPa

(b) 60 MPa

(c) 90 MPa

(d) 120 MPa

IES-5(i). The boring bar of a boring machine is 25 mm in diameter. During operation, the bar gets twisted through 0.01 radians and is subjected to a shear stress of 42 N/mm². The length of the bar is (Taking $G = 0.84 \times 10^5$ N/mm²) [IES-2012]

(a) 500 mm

(b) 250 mm

(c) 625 mm

(d) 375 mm

IES-5(ii). The magnitude of stress induced in a shaft due to applied torque varies

(a) From maximum at the centre to zero at the circumference

(b) From zero at the centre to maximum at the circumference [IES-2012]

(c) From maximum at the centre to minimum but not zero at the circumference

(d) From minimum but not zero at the centre, to maximum at the circumference

IES-6. Angle of twist of a shaft of diameter 'd' is inversely proportional to [IES-2000]

(a) d (b) d²(c) d³ (d) d⁴

IES-6a A solid steel shaft of diameter d and length l is subjected to twisting moment T. Another shaft B of brass having same diameter d, but length l/2 is also subjected to the same moment. If shear modulus of steel is two times that of brass, the ratio of the angular twist of steel to that of brass shaft is:

(a) 1:2

(b) 1:1

(c) 2:1

(d) 4:1 [IES-2011]

IES-7. A solid circular shaft is subjected to pure torsion. The ratio of maximum shear to maximum normal stress at any point would be: [IES-1999]

(a) 1 : 1

(b) 1: 2

(c) 2: 1

(d) 2: 3

IES-8. Assertion (A): In a composite shaft having two concentric shafts of different materials, the torque shared by each shaft is directly proportional to its polar moment of inertia. [IES-1999]

Reason (R): In a composite shaft having concentric shafts of different materials, the angle of twist for each shaft depends upon its polar moment of inertia.

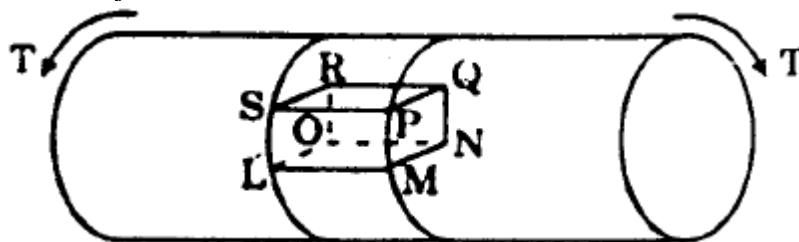
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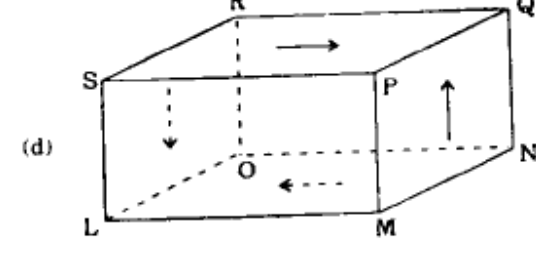
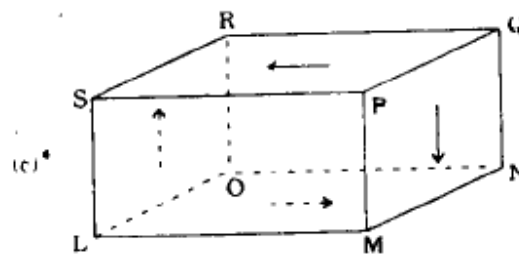
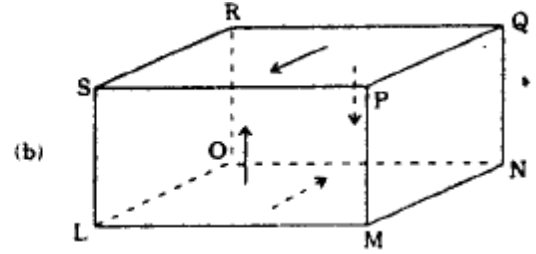
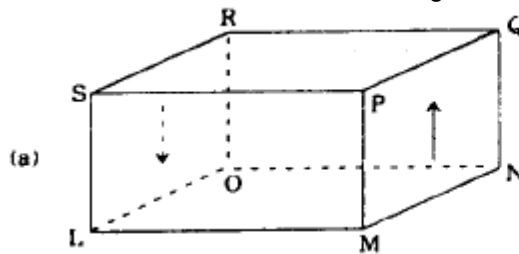
(c) A is true but R is false

(d) A is false but R is true

IES-9. A shaft is subjected to torsion as shown. [IES-2002]

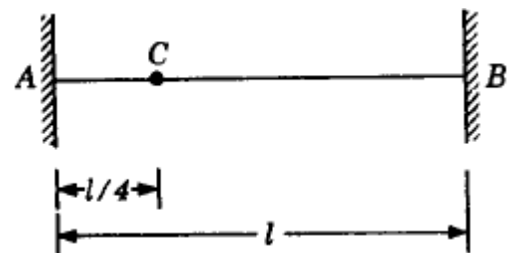


Which of the following figures represents the shear stress on the element LMNOPQRS?



- IES-10. A round shaft of diameter 'd' and length 'l' fixed at both ends 'A' and 'B' is subjected to a twisting moment 'T' at 'C', at a distance of $l/4$ from A (see figure). The torsional stresses in the parts AC and CB will be:

- (a) Equal
- (b) In the ratio 1:3
- (c) In the ratio 3:1
- (d) Indeterminate



[IES-1997]

- IES-10(i). A power transmission solid shaft of diameter d length l and rigidity modulus G is subjected to a pure torque. The maximum allowable shear stress is τ_{\max} . The maximum strain energy/unit volume in the shaft is given by: [IES-2013]

- (a) $\frac{\tau_{\max}^2}{4G}$
- (b) $\frac{\tau_{\max}^2}{2G}$
- (c) $\frac{2\tau_{\max}^2}{3G}$
- (d) $\frac{\tau_{\max}^2}{3G}$

Hollow Circular Shafts

- IES-11. One-half length of 50 mm diameter steel rod is solid while the remaining half is hollow having a bore of 25 mm. The rod is subjected to equal and opposite torque at its ends. If the maximum shear stress in solid portion is τ or, the maximum shear stress in the hollow portion is: [IES-2003]

- (a) $\frac{15}{16}\tau$
- (b) τ
- (c) $\frac{4}{3}\tau$
- (d) $\frac{16}{15}\tau$

- IES-11a. Two shafts, one solid and the other hollow, made of the same material, will have the same strength and stiffness, if both are of the same [IES-2017]

- (a) length as well as weight
- (b) length as well as polar modulus
- (c) weight as well as polar modulus
- (d) length, weight as well as polar modulus

Power Transmitted by Shaft

- IES-12. In power transmission shafts, if the polar moment of inertia of a shaft is doubled, then what is the torque required to produce the same angle of twist? [IES-2006]

- (a) $1/4$ of the original value
- (b) $1/2$ of the original value

- (c) Same as the original value (d) Double the original value
- IES-13.** While transmitting the same power by a shaft, if its speed is doubled, what should be its new diameter if the maximum shear stress induced in the shaft remains same? [IES-2006]
- (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ of the original diameter (b) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ of the original diameter
- (c) $\sqrt{2}$ of the original diameter (d) $\frac{1}{(2)^{1/3}}$ of the original diameter
- IES-14.** For a power transmission shaft transmitting power P at N rpm, its diameter is proportional to: [IES-2005]
- (a) $\left(\frac{P}{N}\right)^{1/3}$ (b) $\left(\frac{P}{N}\right)^{1/2}$ (c) $\left(\frac{P}{N}\right)^{2/3}$ (d) $\left(\frac{P}{N}\right)$
- IES-15.** A shaft can safely transmit 90 kW while rotating at a given speed. If this shaft is replaced by a shaft of diameter double of the previous one and rotated at half the speed of the previous, the power that can be transmitted by the new shaft is: [IES-2002]
- (a) 90 kW (b) 180 kW (c) 360 kW (d) 720 kW
- IES-15a.** A solid shaft is designed to transmit 100 kW while rotating at N rpm. If the diameter of the shaft is doubled and is allowed to operate at $2N$ rpm, the power that can be transmitted by the latter shaft is [IES-2016]
- (a) 200 kW (b) 400 kW (c) 800 kW (d) 1600 kW
- IES-15b.** The diameter of a shaft to transmit 25 kW at 1500 rpm, given that the ultimate strength is 150 MPa and the factor of safety is 3, will nearly be [IES-2016]
- (a) 12 mm (b) 16 mm (c) 20 mm (d) 26 mm
- IES-15c.** A solid shaft is to transmit 20 kW at 200 rpm. The ultimate shear stress for the shaft material is 360 MPa and the factor of safety is 8. The diameter of the solid shaft shall be [IES-2017]
- (a) 42 mm (b) 45 mm (c) 48 mm (d) 51 mm
- IES-16.** The diameter of shaft A is twice the diameter of shaft B and both are made of the same material. Assuming both the shafts to rotate at the same speed, the maximum power transmitted by B is: [IES-2001; GATE-1994]
- (a) The same as that of A (b) Half of A (c) $1/8^{\text{th}}$ of A (d) $1/4^{\text{th}}$ of A
- IES-17.** When a shaft transmits power through gears, the shaft experiences [IES-1997]
- (a) Torsional stresses alone
 (b) Bending stresses alone
 (c) Constant bending and varying torsional stresses
 (d) Varying bending and constant torsional stresses

Combined Bending and Torsion

- IES-18.** The equivalent bending moment under combined action of bending moment M and torque T is: [IES-1996; 2008; IAS-1996]
- (a) $\sqrt{M^2 + T^2}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2} \left[M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} \right]$
- (c) $\frac{1}{2} [M + T]$ (d) $\frac{1}{4} \left[\sqrt{M^2 + T^2} \right]$

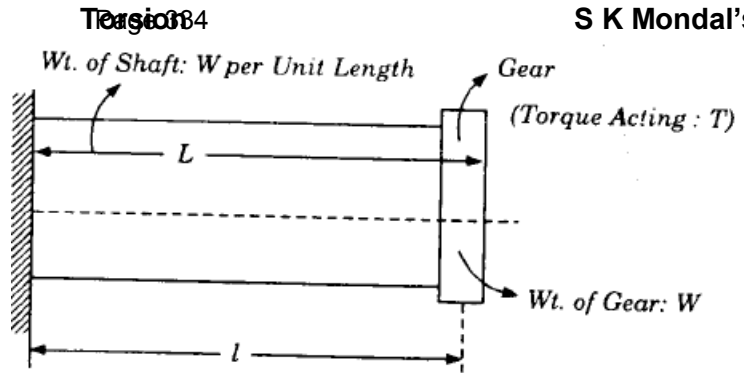
- IES-19.** A solid circular shaft is subjected to a bending moment M and twisting moment T . What is the equivalent twisting moment T_e which will produce the same maximum shear stress as the above combination? [IES-1992; 2007]
- (a) $M^2 + T^2$ (b) $M + T$ (c) $\sqrt{M^2 + T^2}$ (d) $M - T$
- IES-20.** A shaft is subjected to fluctuating loads for which the normal torque (T) and bending moment (M) are 1000 N-m and 500 N-m respectively. If the combined shock and fatigue factor for bending is 1.5 and combined shock and fatigue factor for torsion is 2, then the equivalent twisting moment for the shaft is: [IES-1994]
- (a) 2000N-m (b) 2050N-m (c) 2100N-m (d) 2136 N-m
- IES-21.** A member is subjected to the combined action of bending moment 400 Nm and torque 300 Nm. What respectively are the equivalent bending moment and equivalent torque? [IES-1994; 2004]
- (a) 450 Nm and 500 Nm (b) 900 Nm and 350 Nm
(c) 900 Nm and 500 Nm (d) 400 Nm and 500 Nm
- IES-21a.** A solid shaft is subjected to bending moment of 3.46 kN-m and a torsional moment of 11.5 kN-m. For this case, the equivalent bending moment and twisting moment are [IES-2018]
- (a) 7.73 kN-m and 12.0 kN-m (b) 14.96 kN-m and 12.0 kN-m
(c) 7.73 kN-m and 8.04 kN-m (d) 14.96 kN-m and 8.04 kN-m
- IES-21(i).** A shaft of diameter 8 cm is subjected to bending moment of 3000Nm and twisting moment of 4000 Nm. The maximum normal stress induced in the shaft [IES-2014]
- (a) $\frac{250}{\pi}$ (b) $\frac{500}{\pi}$ (c) $\frac{157.5}{\pi}$ (d) $\frac{315}{\pi}$
- IES-22.** A shaft was initially subjected to bending moment and then was subjected to torsion. If the magnitude of bending moment is found to be the same as that of the torque, then the ratio of maximum bending stress to shear stress would be: [IES-1993]
- (a) 0.25 (b) 0.50 (c) 2.0 (d) 4.0
- IES-23.** A shaft is subjected to simultaneous action of a torque T , bending moment M and an axial thrust F . Which one of the following statements is correct for this situation? [IES-2004]
- (a) One extreme end of the vertical diametral fibre is subjected to maximum compressive stress only
(b) The opposite extreme end of the vertical diametral fibre is subjected to tensile/compressive stress only
(c) Every point on the surface of the shaft is subjected to maximum shear stress only
(d) Axial longitudinal fibre of the shaft is subjected to compressive stress only

IES-24. For obtaining the maximum shear stress induced in the shaft shown in the given figure, the torque should be equal to

(a) T (b) $Wl + T$

(c) $\left[(Wl)^2 + \left(\frac{wL}{2} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$

(d) $\left[\left\{ Wl + \frac{wL^2}{2} \right\}^2 + T^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$



[IES-1999]

IES-25. Bending moment M and torque is applied on a solid circular shaft. If the maximum bending stress equals to maximum shear stress developed, then M is equal to:

[IES-1992]

(a) $\frac{T}{2}$

(b) T

(c) $2T$

(d) $4T$

IES-26. A circular shaft is subjected to the combined action of bending, twisting and direct axial loading. The maximum bending stress σ , maximum shearing force $\sqrt{3}\sigma$ and a uniform axial stress σ (compressive) are produced. The maximum compressive normal stress produced in the shaft will be:

[IES-1998]

(a) 3σ

(b) 2σ

(c) σ

(d) Zero

IES-27. Which one of the following statements is correct? Shafts used in heavy duty speed reducers are generally subjected to:

[IES-2004]

(a) Bending stress only

(b) Shearing stress only

(c) Combined bending and shearing stresses

(d) Bending, shearing and axial thrust simultaneously

Comparison of Solid and Hollow Shafts

IES-28. The ratio of torque carrying capacity of a solid shaft to that of a hollow shaft is given by:

[IES-2008]

(a) $(1-K^4)$

(b) $(1-K^4)^{-1}$

(c) K^4

(d) $1/K^4$

Where $K = \frac{D_i}{D_o}$; D_i = Inside diameter of hollow shaft and D_o = Outside diameter of hollow shaft. Shaft material is the same.

IES-29. A hollow shaft of outer dia 40 mm and inner dia of 20 mm is to be replaced by a solid shaft to transmit the same torque at the same maximum stress. What should be the diameter of the solid shaft?

[IES 2007]

(a) 30 mm

(b) 35 mm

(c) $10 \times (60)^{1/3}$ mm

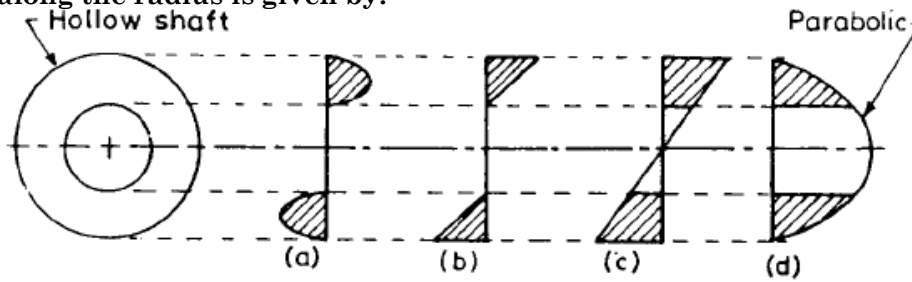
(d) $10 \times (20)^{1/3}$ mm

IES-30. The diameter of a solid shaft is D . The inside and outside diameters of a hollow shaft of same material and length are $\frac{D}{\sqrt{3}}$ and $\frac{2D}{\sqrt{3}}$ respectively. What is the ratio of the weight of the hollow shaft to that of the solid shaft?

[IES 2007]

- (a) 1:1 (b) $1:\sqrt{3}$ (c) 1:2 (d) 1:3
- IES-31. What is the maximum torque transmitted by a hollow shaft of external radius R and internal radius r? [IES-2006]
 (a) $\frac{\pi}{16}(R^3 - r^3)f_s$ (b) $\frac{\pi}{2R}(R^4 - r^4)f_s$ (c) $\frac{\pi}{8R}(R^4 - r^4)f_s$ (d) $\frac{\pi}{32}\left(\frac{R^4 - r^4}{R}\right)f_s$
 (f_s = maximum shear stress in the shaft material)
- IES-32. A hollow shaft of the same cross-sectional area and material as that of a solid shaft transmits: [IES-2005]
 (a) Same torque (b) Lesser torque
 (c) More torque (d) Cannot be predicted without more data
- IES-33. The outside diameter of a hollow shaft is twice its inside diameter. The ratio of its torque carrying capacity to that of a solid shaft of the same material and the same outside diameter is: [GATE-1993; IES-2001]
 (a) $\frac{15}{16}$ (b) $\frac{3}{4}$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{16}$
- IES-34. Two hollow shafts of the same material have the same length and outside diameter. Shaft 1 has internal diameter equal to one-third of the outer diameter and shaft 2 has internal diameter equal to half of the outer diameter. If both the shafts are subjected to the same torque, the ratio of their twists θ_1 / θ_2 will be equal to: [IES-1998]
 (a) 16/81 (b) 8/27 (c) 19/27 (d) 243/256
- IES-35. Maximum shear stress in a solid shaft of diameter D and length L twisted through an angle θ is τ . A hollow shaft of same material and length having outside and inside diameters of D and D/2 respectively is also twisted through the same angle of twist θ . The value of maximum shear stress in the hollow shaft will be: [IES-1994; 1997]
 (a) $\frac{16}{15}\tau$ (b) $\frac{8}{7}\tau$ (c) $\frac{4}{3}\tau$ (d) τ
- IES-36. A solid shaft of diameter 'D' carries a twisting moment that develops maximum shear stress τ . If the shaft is replaced by a hollow one of outside diameter 'D' and inside diameter D/2, then the maximum shear stress will be: [IES-1994]
 (a) 1.067τ (b) 1.143τ (c) 1.333τ (d) 2τ
- IES-37. A solid shaft of diameter 100 mm, length 1000 mm is subjected to a twisting moment 'T'. The maximum shear stress developed in the shaft is 60 N/mm². A hole of 50 mm diameter is now drilled throughout the length of the shaft. To develop a maximum shear stress of 60 N/mm² in the hollow shaft, the torque 'T' must be reduced by: [IES-1998, 2012]
 (a) T/4 (b) T/8 (c) T/12 (d) T/16
- IES-38. Assertion (A): A hollow shaft will transmit a greater torque than a solid shaft of the same weight and same material. [IES-1994]
 Reason (R): The average shear stress in the hollow shaft is smaller than the average shear stress in the solid shaft.
 (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

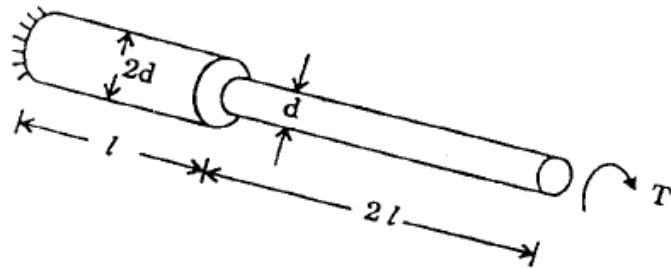
IES-39. A hollow shaft is subjected to torsion. The shear stress variation in the shaft along the radius is given by: [IES-1996]



Shafts in Series

IES-40. What is the total angle of twist of the stepped shaft subject to torque T shown in figure given above?

- (a) $\frac{16T_l}{\pi G d^4}$ (b) $\frac{38T_l}{\pi G d^4}$
 (c) $\frac{64T_l}{\pi G d^4}$ (d) $\frac{66T_l}{\pi G d^4}$



[IES-2005]

Shafts in Parallel

IES-41. For the two shafts connected in parallel, find which statement is true?

- (a) Torque in each shaft is the same
 (b) Shear stress in each shaft is the same
 (c) Angle of twist of each shaft is the same
 (d) Torsional stiffness of each shaft is the same

[IES-1992, 2011]

IES-42. A circular section rod ABC is fixed at ends A and C. It is subjected to torque T at B. $AB = BC = L$ and the polar moment of inertia of portions AB and BC are $2J$ and J respectively. If G is the modulus of rigidity, what is the angle of twist at point B? [IES-2005]

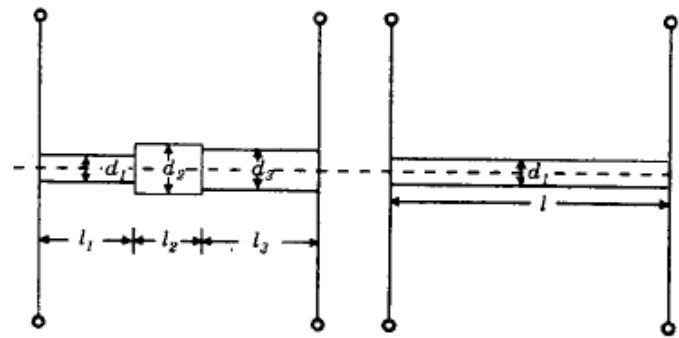
- (a) $\frac{TL}{3GJ}$ (b) $\frac{TL}{2GJ}$ (c) $\frac{TL}{GJ}$ (d) $\frac{2TL}{GJ}$

IES-43. A solid circular rod AB of diameter D and length L is fixed at both ends. A torque T is applied at a section X such that $AX = L/4$ and $BX = 3L/4$. What is the maximum shear stress developed in the rod? [IES-2004]

- (a) $\frac{16T}{\pi D^3}$ (b) $\frac{12T}{\pi D^3}$ (c) $\frac{8T}{\pi D^3}$ (d) $\frac{4T}{\pi D^3}$

IES-44. Two shafts are shown in the above figure. These two shafts will be torsionally equivalent to each other if their

- (a) Polar moment of inertias are the same
- (b) Total angle of twists are the same
- (c) Lengths are the same
- (d) Strain energies are the same



[IES-1998]

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Torsion Equation

IAS-1. Assertion (A): In theory of torsion, shearing strains increase radically away from the longitudinal axis of the bar. [IAS-2001]

Reason (R): Plane transverse sections before loading remain plane after the torque is applied.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true

IAS-2. The shear stress at a point in a shaft subjected to a torque is: [IAS-1995]

- (a) Directly proportional to the polar moment of inertia and to the distance of the point from the axis
- (b) Directly proportional to the applied torque and inversely proportional to the polar moment of inertia.
- (c) Directly proportional to the applied torque and polar moment of inertia
- (d) inversely proportional to the applied torque and the polar moment of inertia

IAS-3. If two shafts of the same length, one of which is hollow, transmit equal torque and have equal maximum stress, then they should have equal. [IAS-1994]

- (a) Polar moment of inertia
- (b) Polar modulus of section
- (c) Polar moment of inertia
- (d) Angle of twist

Hollow Circular Shafts

IAS-4. A hollow circular shaft having outside diameter 'D' and inside diameter 'd' subjected to a constant twisting moment 'T' along its length. If the maximum shear stress produced in the shaft is τ_s then the twisting moment 'T' is given by: [IAS-1999]

- (a) $\frac{\pi}{8} \sigma_s \frac{D^4 - d^4}{D}$
- (b) $\frac{\pi}{16} \sigma_s \frac{D^4 - d^4}{D}$
- (c) $\frac{\pi}{32} \sigma_s \frac{D^4 - d^4}{D}$
- (d) $\frac{\pi}{64} \sigma_s \frac{D^4 - d^4}{D}$

Torsional Rigidity

IAS-5. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [IAS-1996]

List-I (Mechanical Properties)

A. Torsional rigidity

List-II (Characteristics)

1. Product of young's modulus and secondmoment of area about the plane of bending

- B. Modulus of resilience
C. Bauschinger effect
D. Flexural rigidity

2. Strain energy per unit volume
3. Torque unit angle of twist
4. Loss of mechanical energy due to local yielding

Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	1	3	4	2	(b)	3	2	4	1
(c)	2	4	1	3	(d)	3	1	4	2

IAS-6. Assertion (A): Angle of twist per unit length of a uniform diameter shaft depends upon its torsional rigidity. [IAS-2004]

Reason (R): The shafts are subjected to torque only.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

Combined Bending and Torsion

IAS-7. A shaft is subjected to a bending moment $M = 400 \text{ N.m}$ and torque $T = 300 \text{ N.m}$. The equivalent bending moment is: [IAS-2002]
(a) 900 N.m (b) 700 N.m (c) 500 N.m (d) 450 N.m

Comparison of Solid and Hollow Shafts

IAS-8. A hollow shaft of length L is fixed at its both ends. It is subjected to torque T at a distance of $\frac{L}{3}$ from one end. What is the reaction torque at the other end of the shaft? [IAS-2007]

- (a) $\frac{2T}{3}$ (b) $\frac{T}{2}$ (c) $\frac{T}{3}$ (d) $\frac{T}{4}$

IAS-9. A solid shaft of diameter d is replaced by a hollow shaft of the same material and length. The outside diameter of hollow shaft $\frac{2d}{\sqrt{3}}$ while the inside diameter is $\frac{d}{\sqrt{3}}$. What is the ratio of the torsional stiffness of the hollow shaft to that of the solid shaft? [IAS-2007]

- (a) $\frac{2}{3}$ (b) $\frac{3}{5}$ (c) $\frac{5}{3}$ (d) 2

IAS-10. Two steel shafts, one solid of diameter D and the other hollow of outside diameter D and inside diameter $D/2$, are twisted to the same angle of twist per unit length. The ratio of maximum shear stress in solid shaft to that in the hollow shaft is: [IAS-1998]

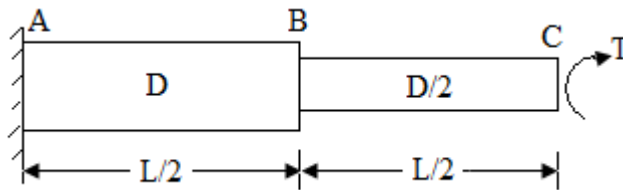
- (a) $\frac{4}{9} \tau$ (b) $\frac{8}{7} \tau$ (c) $\frac{16}{15} \tau$ (d) τ

Shafts in Series

IAS-11. Two shafts having the same length and material are joined in series. If the ratio of the diameter of the first shaft to that of the second shaft is 2, then the ratio of the angle of twist of the first shaft to that of the second shaft is: [IAS-1995; 2003]

- (a) 16 (b) 8 (c) 4 (d) 2

- IAS-12. A circular shaft fixed at A has diameter D for half of its length and diameter $D/2$ over the other half. What is the rotation of C relative of B if the rotation of B relative to A is 0.1 radian? [IAS-1994]
- (a) 0.4 radian (b) 0.8 radian (c) 1.6 radian (d) 3.2 radian

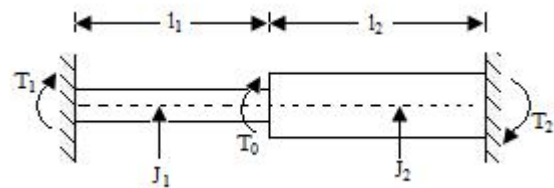


(T, L and C remaining same in both cases)

Shafts in Parallel

- IAS-13. A stepped solid circular shaft shown in the given figure is built-in at its ends and is subjected to a torque T_0 at the shoulder section. The ratio of reactive torque T_1 and T_2 at the ends is (J_1 and J_2 are polar moments of inertia):

- (a) $\frac{J_2 \times l_2}{J_1 \times l_1}$ (b) $\frac{J_2 \times l_1}{J_1 \times l_2}$
 (c) $\frac{J_1 \times l_2}{J_2 \times l_1}$ (d) $\frac{J_1 \times l_1}{J_2 \times l_2}$

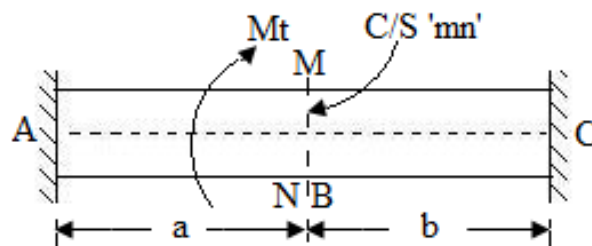


[IAS-2001]

- IAS-14. Steel shaft and brass shaft of same length and diameter are connected by a flange coupling. The assembly is rigidly held at its ends and is twisted by a torque through the coupling. Modulus of rigidity of steel is twice that of brass. If torque of the steel shaft is 500 Nm, then the value of the torque in brass shaft will be: [IAS-2001]

- (a) 250 Nm (b) 354 Nm (c) 500 Nm (d) 708 Nm

- IAS-15. A steel shaft with built-in ends is subjected to the action of a torque M_t applied at an intermediate cross-section 'mn' as shown in the given figure. [IAS-1997]



Assertion (A): The magnitude of the twisting moment to which the portion BC is subjected is $\frac{M_t a}{a + b}$

Reason(R): For geometric compatibility, angle of twist at 'mn' is the same for the portions AB and BC.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

- IAS-16. A steel shaft of outside diameter 100 mm is solid over one half of its length and hollow over the other half. Inside diameter of hollow portion is 50 mm. The shaft is held rigidly at two ends and a pulley is mounted at its midsection i.e., at the junction of solid and hollow portions. The shaft is twisted by applying

torque on the pulley. If the torque carried by the solid portion of the shaft is 16000 kg-m, then the torque carried by the hollow portion of the shaft will be:

[IAS-1997]

- (a) 16000 kg-m (b) 15000 kg-m (c) 14000 kg-m (d) 12000 kg-m
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OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (a) $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$

GATE-2. Ans. (c) $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$, $240 = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ if diameter doubled $d' = 2d$, then $\tau' = \frac{16T}{\pi (2d)^3} = \frac{240}{8} = 30 \text{ MPa}$

GATE-2a. Ans. (a)

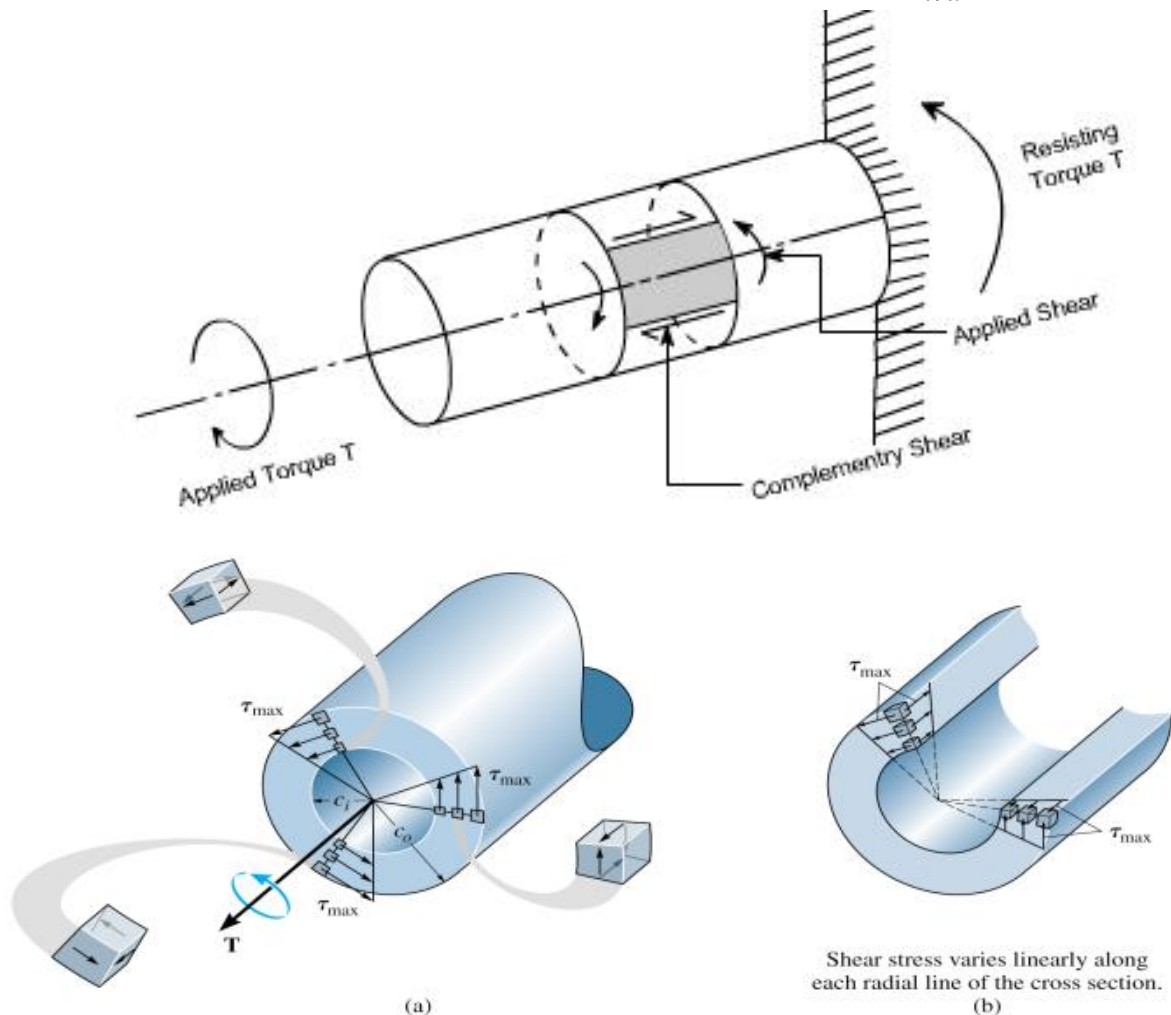
Maximum shear stress = $\frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$

Normal stress = 0

GATE-2b. Ans. (a)

Don't get confused with $\frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$.

See below given diagram properly. $\tau_{xy} = 0$ but $\tau_{yz} = \tau_{zx} = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$



GATE-2c. Ans. (b) It is a case of pure shear maximum normal stress and maximum shear stress are same.

GATE-3. Ans. (c) $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ as T & d both are same τ is same

GATE-4. Ans. (c)

GATE-4a. Ans. 7.9 to 8.1 Using $\frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ it is 8.0

Chapter-9

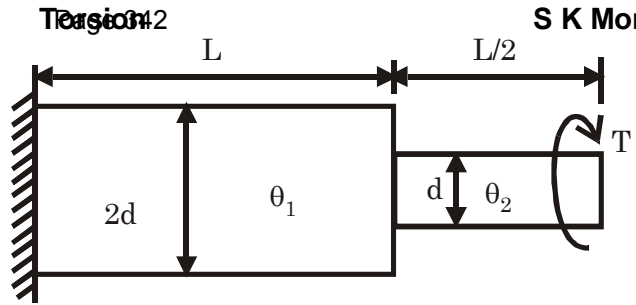
GATE-4b. Ans. (b) Angular twist at the free end

$$\theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2$$

$$= \frac{T \times L}{G \times \frac{\pi}{32} (2d)^4} + \frac{T \times \frac{L}{2}}{G \times \frac{\pi}{32} (d)^4}$$

$$= \frac{2TL}{G\pi d^4} + \frac{16TL}{G\pi d^4} = \frac{18TL}{G\pi d^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \left(\frac{18TL}{\pi \theta G} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$



GATE-4c. Ans. (d)

$$\text{Torque (T)} = P \cdot 2L$$

$$\theta = \frac{TL}{GJ} = \frac{(P \cdot 2L) \times L}{G \times \left(\pi R^4 / 2 \right)} = \frac{4PL^2}{\pi GR^4}$$

Vertical upward displacement due to rotation of circular cylinder

$$= \theta \times L = \frac{4PL^3}{\pi GR^4} \quad [\text{As rod is rigid no bending, no deflection due to bending}]$$

GATE-4d. Ans. (35.343)

$$\text{Torsional Stiffness} = \frac{GJ}{L} = \frac{150 \times 10^9 \times \frac{\pi}{32} [0.04^4 - 0.02^4]}{1} = 35343 \text{ Nm/rad} = 35.343 \text{ kNm/rad}$$

GATE-5. Ans. range(60 to 61) $\text{Power} = T\omega = T \times \frac{2\pi N}{60} \Rightarrow 40 \times 10^3 = T \times \frac{2\pi \times 500}{60} \Rightarrow T = 763.94 \text{ Nm}$

$$\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3} = 60.79 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-5a. Ans. (c) Power, $P = T \times \frac{2\pi N}{60}$ and $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ or $T = \frac{\tau \pi d^3}{16}$

$$\text{or } P = \frac{\tau \pi d^3}{16} \times \frac{2\pi N}{60} \quad \text{or } P \propto d^3$$

GATE-5b. Ans. (c)

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = T \times \frac{J}{R}$$

$$= 125 \times \frac{\pi}{32} \times (100^4 - 50^4) \times \frac{2}{100} \times 10^{-6} = 23.00 \text{ kN-m}$$

GATE-5c. Answer: 44.52

$$P = T\omega \quad \text{or } 30 \times 1000 = T \times \frac{2\pi \times 700}{60} \Rightarrow T = 409.256 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L}$$

$$\frac{409.256}{\frac{\pi}{32} (1 - 0.7^4) D^4} = \frac{80 \times 10^9}{1} \times \frac{\pi}{180}$$

$$D = 0.04452 \text{ m} = 44.52 \text{ mm}$$

GATE-5d. Answer: (b)

$$P = T\omega \quad \text{or} \quad 20 \times 10^3 = T \times \frac{2\pi \times 3000}{60} \Rightarrow T = 63.662 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\frac{\tau}{r} = \frac{T}{J} \Rightarrow \frac{63.662}{\frac{\pi}{32}(d_o^4 - d_i^4)} = \frac{30 \times 10^6}{d_o / 2}$$

$$d_i = 11.295 \text{ mm} \quad \text{or} \quad d_o = 2d_i = 22.59 \text{ mm}$$

GATE-6. Ans. (d) Equivalent torque (T_e) = $\sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = 5 \text{ kNm}$

GATE-6i. Ans. (c)

GATE-7. Ans. (a) $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L} = \frac{\tau}{R}$ or $T = \frac{\tau J}{R}$ if τ is const. $T \propto J$

$$\frac{T_h}{T} = \frac{J_h}{J} = \frac{\frac{\pi}{32} \left[D^4 - \left(\frac{D}{2} \right)^4 \right]}{\frac{\pi}{32} D^4} = \frac{15}{16}$$

GATE-7(i) Ans. (b)

$$\frac{\tau}{R} = \frac{T}{J}$$

$$\text{Here,} \quad J = \frac{\pi}{32} (20^4 - 16^4) \text{ mm}^4;$$

$$R_1 = \frac{20}{2} = 10 \text{ mm};$$

$$T = 92.7 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m};$$

$$R_2 = \frac{16}{2} = 8 \text{ mm}$$

$$\tau_1 = \frac{TR_1}{J} = \frac{92.7 \times 10^3 \times 10}{\left(\frac{\pi}{32} \right) \times (20^4 - 16^4)} = 99.96 \text{ MPa} \approx 100 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{and} \quad \tau_2 = \frac{TR_2}{J} = \frac{92.7 \times 10^3 \times 8}{\left(\frac{\pi}{32} \right) \times (20^4 - 16^4)} = 79.96 \text{ MPa} \approx 80 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-7(ii) Ans. (c)

We know that

$$\frac{\tau}{R} = \frac{T}{J}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tau_1}{\tau_2} = \frac{R_1}{R_2} \times \frac{T_1}{T_2} \times \frac{J_2}{J_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tau_1}{\tau_2} = \frac{R_1}{2R_1} \times \frac{T_1}{4T_1} \times \left(\frac{2R_1}{R_1} \right)^4$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tau_1}{\tau_2} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \times 16$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_2 = \frac{\tau_1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_2 = \frac{\tau}{2}$$

GATE-8. Ans. (b) We know that $\theta = \frac{TL}{GJ}$ or $T = k.\theta$ [let k = torsional stiffness]

$$\therefore \theta = \theta_{MN} + \theta_{NO} + \theta_{OP} = \frac{T_{MN}}{k_{MN}} + \frac{T_{NO}}{k_{NO}} + \frac{T_{OP}}{k_{OP}} = \frac{10}{20} + \frac{10}{30} + \frac{10}{60} = 1.0 \text{ rad}$$

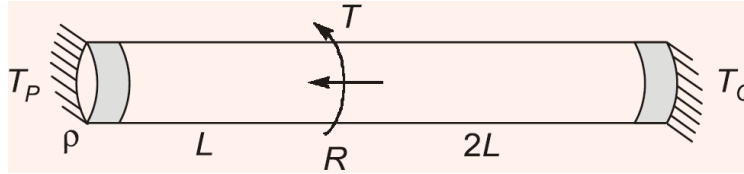
GATE-8(i) Ans. 0.236

Angle of twist at (c) = Angle of twist at (B)

$$\theta = \frac{Tl}{GJ} = \frac{10 \times 0.5 \times 32}{77 \times 10^9 \times \pi \times 0.02^4} = 0.004134 \text{ rad} = 0.236 \text{ rad}$$

GATE-9. Ans. (c) $\theta_{AB} = \theta_{BC}$ or $\frac{T_A L_A}{G_A J_A} = \frac{T_C L_C}{G_C J_C}$ or $\frac{T_A}{\frac{\pi d^4}{32}} = \frac{T_C}{\frac{\pi (2d)^4}{32}}$ or $T_A = \frac{T_C}{16}$

GATE-9a. Ans. (c)



$$T_P + T_Q = T \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_{PR} = \theta_{QR}$$

$$\frac{T_P L}{GJ} = \frac{T_Q 2L}{GJ} \quad \text{or} \quad T_P = (T - T_P) \times 2$$

$$T_P = \frac{2T}{3} = 100 \text{ Nm} \quad \text{and} \quad T_Q = \frac{T}{3} = 50 \text{ Nm}$$

GATE-10. Ans. (b)

The symmetry of the shaft shows that there is no torsion on section AB.

$$\therefore \text{Rotation, } \theta_1 = \frac{TL}{GJ_1}$$

IES-10(i). Ans. (a)

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IES-1. Ans. (d) $\tau = \frac{T \times r}{J} = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$

IES-2. Ans. (a)

IES-2(i). Ans. (d)

IES-3. Ans. (c) Maximum shear stress = $\frac{16T}{\pi d^3} = 240 \text{ MPa} = \tau$

Maximum shear stress developed when diameter is doubled

$$= \frac{16\tau}{\pi (2d)^3} = \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{16T}{\pi d^3} \right) = \frac{\tau}{8} = \frac{240}{8} = 30 \text{ MPa}$$

IES-4. Ans. (c) $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ or $T = \frac{\tau \pi d^3}{16}$ for same material $\tau = \text{const.}$

$$\therefore T \propto d^3 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{d_2}{d_1} \right)^3 = \left(\frac{60}{30} \right)^3 = 8$$

IES-4(i). Ans. (b) $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$

IES-5. Ans. (b)

IES-5(i). Ans. (b)

IES-5(ii). Ans. (b)

IES-6. Ans. (d)

IES-6a Ans. (b)

IES-7. Ans. (a)

IES-8. Ans. (c)

IES-9. Ans. (d)

IES-10. Ans. (c) $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R} = \frac{G\theta}{L}$ or $\tau = \frac{GR\theta}{L} \therefore \tau \propto \frac{1}{L}$

IES-11. Ans. (d) $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{r}$ or $T = \frac{\tau J}{r}$

or $\frac{\tau J_s}{r_s} = \frac{\tau_h J_h}{r_h}; \left[r_s = r_h = \frac{D}{2} \right]$

or $\tau_h = \tau \times \frac{J_s}{J_h} = \tau \times \frac{\frac{\pi}{32} D^4}{\frac{\pi}{32} (D^4 - d^4)} = \tau \times \frac{1}{\left[1 - \left(\frac{d}{D} \right)^4 \right]} = \tau \times \frac{1}{\left[1 - \left(\frac{25}{50} \right)^4 \right]} = \tau \left(\frac{16}{15} \right)$

IES-11a. Ans. (b)

IES-12. Ans. (d)

$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L} = \frac{\tau}{R}$ or $Q = \frac{T.L}{G.J}$ if θ is const. $T \propto J$ if J is doubled then T is also doubled.

IES-13. Ans. (d) Power (P) = torque (T) \times angular speed (ω)

if P is const. $T \propto \frac{1}{\omega}$ if $\frac{T'}{T} = \frac{\omega}{\omega'} = \frac{1}{2}$ or $T' = (T/2)$

$\sigma = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3} = \frac{16(T/2)}{\pi (d')^3}$ or $\left(\frac{d'}{d} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}}$

IES-14. Ans. (a) Power, $P = T \times \frac{2\pi N}{60}$ and $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ or $T = \frac{\tau \pi d^3}{16}$

or $P = \frac{\tau \pi d^3}{16} \times \frac{2\pi N}{60}$ or $d^3 = \frac{480 P}{\pi^2 J N}$ or $d \propto \left(\frac{P}{N} \right)^{1/3}$

IES-15. Ans. (c)

IES-15a. Ans. (d) $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ or $T = \tau \pi d^3 / 16$

$Power(P) = T \cdot \omega = \frac{2\pi NT}{60} = \frac{2\pi N}{60} \times \frac{\tau \pi d^3}{16}$

IES-15b. Ans. (d) $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ or $T = \tau \pi d^3 / 16$

$Power(P) = T \cdot \omega = \frac{2\pi NT}{60} = \frac{2\pi N}{60} \times \frac{\tau \pi d^3}{16}$

$25 \times 10^3 = \frac{2\pi \times 1500}{60} \times \frac{(150/3) \times 10^6 \times \pi d^3}{16} \quad [\pi^2 \approx 10]$

$d^3 = \frac{25 \times 10^3 \times 60 \times 16}{2\pi^2 \times 1500 \times 50} \approx \frac{16}{10^6} m^3 = \frac{16}{10^6} \times 10^9 mm^3 = 16000 mm^3$

or $d = 20 \times \sqrt[3]{2}$ answer is more than 20 mm. only option is 26 mm

IES-15c. Ans. (c)

IES-16. Ans. (c) Power, $P = T \times \frac{2\pi N}{60}$ and $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ or $T = \frac{\tau \pi d^3}{16}$

or $P = \frac{\tau \pi d^3}{16} \times \frac{2\pi N}{60}$ or $P \propto d^3$

IES-17. Ans. (d)

IES-18. Ans. (b)

IES-19. Ans. (c) $T_e = \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}$

IES-20. Ans. (d) $T_{eq} = \sqrt{(1.5 \times 500)^2 + (2 \times 1000)^2} = 2136 \text{ Nm}$

IES-21. Ans. (a) Equivalent Bending Moment (M_e) = $\frac{M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}}{2} = \frac{400 + \sqrt{400^2 + 300^2}}{2} = 450 \text{ N.m}$

Equivalent torque (T_e) = $\sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = \sqrt{400^2 + 300^2} = 500 \text{ N.m}$

IES-21a. Ans. (a)

Equivalent Bending Moment

$$M_e = \frac{[M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}]}{2} = \frac{[3.46 + \sqrt{3.46^2 + 11.5^2}]}{2} = 7.7346 \text{ kNm}$$

Equivalent Torque

$$T_e = \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = \sqrt{3.46^2 + 11.5^2} = 12.009 \text{ kNm}$$

IES-21(i) Ans. (a)

$$M = 3000 \text{ Nm}; T = 4000 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} [M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}] = \frac{16}{\pi \times 8^3 \times 10^{-6}} [3000 + \sqrt{3000^2 + 4000^2}] = \frac{250}{\pi}$$

IES-22. Ans. (c) Use equivalent bending moment formula,

1st case: Equivalent bending moment (M_e) = M

$$2^{\text{nd}} \text{ case: Equivalent bending moment } (M_e) = \frac{0 + \sqrt{0^2 + T^2}}{2} = \frac{T}{2}$$

IES-23. Ans. (d)

IES-24. Ans. (d) Bending Moment, $M = Wl + \frac{wL^2}{2}$

IES-25. Ans. (a) $\sigma = \frac{32 \times M}{\pi d^3}$ and $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$

IES-26. Ans. (a) Maximum normal stress = bending stress σ + axial stress (σ) = 2σ

We have to take maximum bending stress σ is (compressive)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The maximum compressive normal stress} &= \frac{\sigma_b}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_b}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \\ &= \frac{-2\sigma}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{-2\sigma}{2}\right)^2 + (\sqrt{3}\sigma)^2} = -3\sigma \end{aligned}$$

IES-27. Ans. (c)

IES-28. Ans. (b) τ should be same for both hollow and solid shaft

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{T_s}{\frac{\pi}{32} D_o^4} &= \frac{T_h}{\frac{\pi}{32} (D_o^4 - D_i^4)} \Rightarrow \frac{T_s}{T_h} = \frac{D_o^4}{D_o^4 - D_i^4} \Rightarrow \frac{T_s}{T_h} = \left(1 - \left(\frac{D_i}{D_o}\right)^4\right)^{-1} \\ \therefore \frac{T_s}{T_h} &(1 - k^4)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

IES-29. Ans. (c) Section modules will be same

$$\frac{J_H}{R_H} = \frac{J_s}{R_s} \text{ or } \frac{\frac{\pi}{32} (40^4 - 20^4)}{\frac{40}{2}} = \frac{\pi}{32} \times \frac{d^4}{2}$$

$$\text{or, } d^3 = (10)^3 \times 60 \text{ or } d = 10 \sqrt[3]{60} \text{ mm}$$

IES-30. Ans. (a) $\frac{W_H}{W_s} = \frac{\frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{4D^2}{3} - \frac{D^2}{3} \right) \times L \times \rho \times g}{\frac{\pi}{4} D^2 \times L \times \rho \times g} = 1$

IES-31. Ans. (b) $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{f_s}{R}$ or $T = \frac{J}{R} \times f_s = \frac{\pi(R^4 - r^4)}{2R} \times f_s = \frac{\pi}{2R}(R^4 - r^4) \cdot f_s$.

IES-32. Ans. (c) $\frac{T_H}{T_S} = \frac{n^2 + 1}{n\sqrt{n^2 - 1}}$, Where $n = \frac{D_H}{d_H}$

IES-33. Ans. (a) $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L} = \frac{\tau}{R}$ or $T = \frac{\tau J}{R}$ if τ is const. $T \propto J$

$$\frac{T_h}{T} = \frac{J_h}{J} = \frac{\frac{\pi}{32} \left[D^4 - \left(\frac{D}{2} \right)^4 \right]}{\frac{\pi}{32} D^4} = \frac{15}{16}$$

IES-34. Ans. (d) $Q \propto \frac{1}{J} \therefore \frac{Q_1}{Q_2} = \frac{d_1^4 - \left(\frac{d_1}{2} \right)^4}{d_1^4 - \left(\frac{d_1}{3} \right)^4} = \frac{243}{256}$

IES-35. Ans. (d) $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L} = \frac{\tau}{R}$ or $\tau = \frac{G.R.\theta}{L}$ if θ is const. $\tau \propto R$ and outer diameter is same in both the cases.

Note: Required torque will be different.

IES-36. Ans. (a) $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L} = \frac{\tau}{R}$ or $\tau = \frac{TR}{J}$ if T is const. $\tau \propto \frac{1}{J}$

$$\frac{\tau_h}{\tau} = \frac{J}{J_h} = \frac{D^4}{D^4 - \left(\frac{D}{2} \right)^4} = \frac{16}{15} = 1.06666$$

IES-37. Ans. (d) $\tau_s = \frac{Tr}{J} = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3} = \frac{T'32(d/2)}{d^4 - (d/2)^4}$ or $\frac{T'}{T} = \frac{15}{16}$

$$\therefore \text{Reduction} = \frac{1}{16}$$

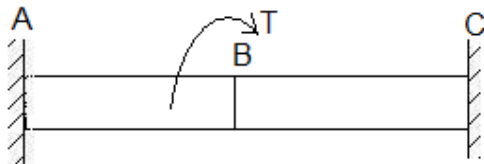
IES-38. Ans. (a)

IES-39. Ans. (c)

IES-40. Ans. (d) $\theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2 = \frac{T \times 2l}{G \cdot \frac{\pi d^4}{32}} + \frac{T \times l}{G \times \frac{\pi}{32} \times (2d)^4} = \frac{TL}{Gd^4} [64 + 2] = \frac{66TL}{Gd^4}$

IES-41. Ans. (c)

IES-42. Ans. (a)



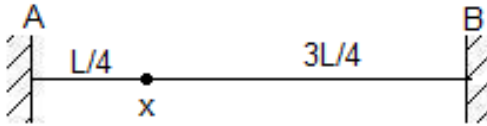
$$\theta_{AB} = \theta_{BC}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{T_{AB}L}{G \cdot 2J} = \frac{T_{BC}L}{G \cdot J} \text{ or } T_{AB} = 2T_{BC}$$

$$T_{AB} + T_{BC} = T \text{ or } T_{BC} = T/3$$

$$\text{or } Q_B = Q_{AB} = \frac{T}{3} \cdot \frac{L}{GJ} = \frac{TL}{3GJ}$$

IES-43. Ans. (b)



$$\theta_{AX} = \theta_{XB} \text{ \& } T_A + T_B = T$$

$$\text{or } \frac{T_A L/4}{GJ} = \frac{T_B \times \frac{3L}{4}}{GJ}$$

$$\text{or } T_A = 3T_B \text{ or } T_A = \frac{3T}{4},$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{16T_A}{\pi D^3} = \frac{16 \times \frac{3}{4} \times T}{\pi D^3} = \frac{12T}{\pi D^3}$$

IES-44. Ans. (b)

IAS

IAS-1. Ans. (b)

$$\text{IAS-2. Ans. (b)} \quad \frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R}$$

IAS-3. Ans. (b) $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R}$ Here T & τ are same, so $\frac{J}{R}$ should be same i.e. polar modulus of section will be same.

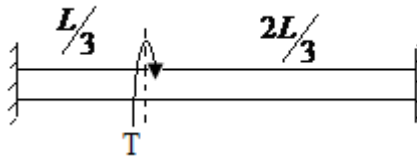
$$\text{IAS-4. Ans. (b)} \quad \frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L} = \frac{\tau}{R} \text{ gives } T = \frac{\tau J}{R} = \frac{\sigma_s \times \frac{\pi}{32} (D^4 - d^4)}{\frac{D}{2}} = \frac{\pi}{16} \sigma_s \frac{(D^4 - d^4)}{D}$$

IAS-5. Ans. (b)

IAS-6. Ans. (c)

$$\text{IAS-7. Ans. (d)} \quad Me = \frac{M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}}{2} = \frac{400 + \sqrt{400^2 + 300^2}}{2} = 450 Nm$$

IAS-8. Ans. (c)



$$\text{IAS-9. Ans. (c)} \quad \text{Torsional stiffness} = \left(\frac{T}{\theta} \right) = \frac{GJ}{L} \text{ or } \frac{K_H}{K_S} = \frac{\frac{\pi}{32} \left\{ \left(\frac{2d}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^4 - \left(\frac{d}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^4 \right\}}{\frac{\pi}{32} d^4} = \frac{5}{3}$$

IAS-10. Ans. (d) $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R} = \frac{G\theta}{L}$ or $\tau = \frac{G\theta R}{L}$ as outside diameter of both the shaft is D so τ is same for both the cases.

IAS-11. Ans. (a) Angle of twist is proportional to $\frac{1}{J} \propto \frac{1}{d^4}$

$$\text{IAS-12. Ans. (c)} \quad \frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L} \text{ or } \theta \propto \frac{1}{J} \text{ or } \theta \propto \frac{1}{d^4} \therefore J = \frac{\pi d^4}{32}$$

$$\text{Here } \frac{\theta}{0.1} = \frac{d^4}{(d/2)^4} \text{ or } \theta = 1.6 \text{ radian.}$$

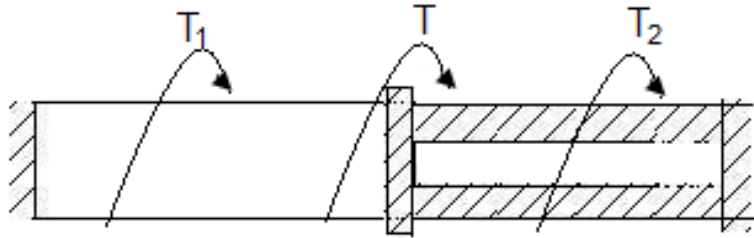
IAS-13. Ans. (c) $\theta_1 = \theta_2$ or $\frac{T_1 l_1}{GJ_1} = \frac{T_2 l_2}{GJ_2}$ or $\frac{T_1}{T_2} = \left(\frac{J_1}{J_2} \times \frac{l_2}{l_1} \right)$

IAS-14. Ans. (a)

$$\theta_1 = \theta_2 \text{ or } \frac{T_s l_s}{G_s J_s} = \frac{T_b l_b}{G_b J_b} \text{ or } \frac{T_s}{G_s} = \frac{T_b}{G_b} \text{ or } \frac{T_b}{T_s} = \frac{G_b}{G_s} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } T_b = \frac{T_s}{2} = 250 \text{ Nm}$$

IAS-15. Ans. (a)

IAS-16. Ans. (b) $\theta_s = \theta_H$ or $\frac{T_s L}{GJ_s} = \frac{T_H L}{GJ_H}$ or $T_H = T_s \times \frac{J_H}{J_s} = 16000 \times \frac{\frac{\pi}{32}(100^4 - 50^4)}{\frac{\pi}{32}(100^4)} = 15000 \text{ kgm}$



Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES 2010

Q. A hollow steel rod 200 mm long is to be used as torsional spring. The ratio of inside to outside diameter is 1 : 2. The required stiffness of this spring is 100 N.m/degree.

Determine the outside diameter of the rod.

Value of G is 8×10^4 N/mm².

[10 Marks]

Ans.

Length of a hollow steel rod = 200mm

Ratio of inside to outside diameter = 1 : 2

Stiffness of torsional spring = 100 Nm/degree. = 5729.578 N m/rad

Rigidity of modulus (G) = 8×10^4 N/mm²

Find outside diameter of rod :-

We know that

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L}$$

Where T = Torque

$$\frac{T}{\theta} = \text{Stiffness} \left(\frac{\text{N-M}}{\text{rad}} \right)$$

J = polar moment

$$\text{Stiffness} = \frac{T}{\theta} = \frac{GJ}{L}$$

θ = twist angle in rad

L = length of rod.

$$d_2 = 2d_1$$

$$J = \frac{\pi}{32} \times (d_2^4 - d_1^4)$$

$$J = \frac{\pi}{32} \times (16d_1^4 - d_1^4) \quad \therefore \frac{d_1}{d_2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$J = \frac{\pi}{32} \times d_1^4 \times 15$$

$$5729.578 \text{ Nm/rad} = \frac{8 \times 10^4 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2}{0.2} \times \frac{\pi}{32} \times d_1^4 \times 15$$

$$\frac{5729.578 \times 0.2 \times 32}{8 \times 10^{10} \times \pi \times 15} = d_1^4$$

$$d_1 = 9.93 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m.}$$

$$d_1 = 9.93 \text{ mm.}$$

$$d_2 = 2 \times 9.93 = 19.86 \text{ mm} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

Conventional Question GATE - 1998

Question: A component used in the Mars pathfinder can be idealized as a circular bar clamped at its ends. The bar should withstand a torque of 1000 Nm. The component is assembled on earth when the temperature is 30°C. Temperature on Mars at the site of landing is -70°C. The material of the bar has an allowable shear stress of 300 MPa and its young's modulus is 200 GPa. Design the diameter of the bar taking a factor of safety of 1.5 and assuming a coefficient of thermal expansion for the material of the bar as $12 \times 10^{-6}/^\circ\text{C}$.

Answer: Given:

$$T_{\max} = 1000 \text{ Nm}; \quad t_E = 30^\circ \text{C}; \quad t_m = -70^\circ \text{C}; \quad \tau_{\text{allowable}} = 300 \text{ MPa}$$

$$E = 200 \text{ GPa}; \quad \text{F.O.S.} = 1.5; \quad \alpha = 12 \times 10^{-6} / ^\circ \text{C}$$

Diameter of the bar, D :

Change in length, $\delta L = L \propto \Delta t$, where L = original length, m.

$$\text{Change in length at Mars} = L \times 12 \times 10^{-6} \times [30 - (-70)] = 12 \times 10^{-4} L \text{ meters}$$

$$\text{Linear strain} = \frac{\text{Change in length}}{\text{original length}} = \frac{12 \times 10^{-4} L}{L} = 12 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\sigma_a = \text{axial stress} = E \times \text{linear strain} = 200 \times 10^9 \times 12 \times 10^{-4} = 2.4 \times 10^8 \text{ N/m}^2$$

From maximum shear stress equation, we have

$$\tau_{\max} = \sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{16T}{\pi D^3} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_a}{2} \right)^2 \right]}$$

$$\text{where, } \tau_{\max} = \frac{\tau_{\text{allowable}}}{\text{F.O.S.}} = \frac{300}{1.5} = 200 \text{ MPa}$$

Substituting the values, we get

$$4 \times 10^{16} = \left(\frac{16 \times 1000}{\pi D^3} \right)^2 + (1.2 \times 10^8)^2$$

$$\text{or } \frac{16 \times 1000}{\pi D^3} = 1.6 \times 10^8$$

$$\text{or } D = \left(\frac{16 \times 1000}{\pi \times 1.6 \times 10^8} \right)^{1/3} = 0.03169 \text{ m} = 31.69 \text{ mm}$$

Conventional Question IES-2009

Q. In a torsion test, the specimen is a hollow shaft with 50 mm external and 30 mm internal diameter. An applied torque of 1.6 kN-m is found to produce an angular twist of 0.4° measured on a length of 0.2 m of the shaft. The Young's modulus of elasticity obtained from a tensile test has been found to be 200 GPa. Find the values of

(i) Modulus of rigidity.

(ii) Poisson's ratio.

[10-Marks]

Ans.

We have

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{r} = \frac{G\theta}{L} \quad \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

Where J = polar moment of inertia

$$J = \frac{\pi}{32} (D^4 - d^4)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{32} (50^4 - 30^4) \times 10^{-12}$$

$$= 5.338 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$T = 1.6 \text{ kN-m} = 1.6 \times 10^3 \text{ N-m}$$

$$\theta = 0.4^\circ$$

$$l = 0.2 \text{ m}$$

$$E = 200 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$\text{From equation (i) } \frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{L}$$

$$\frac{1.6 \times 10^3}{5.338 \times 10^{-7}} = \frac{G \times \left[0.4 \times \frac{\pi}{180} \right]}{0.2}$$

$$\Rightarrow G = \frac{1.6 \times 0.2 \times 10^3 \times 180}{0.4 \times \pi \times 5.338 \times 10^{-7}} \\ = 85.92 \text{ GPa}$$

We also have

$$E = 2 G (1 + \nu)$$

$$\therefore 200 = 2 \times 85.92 (1 + \nu)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \nu = 1.164$$

$$\Rightarrow \nu = 0.164$$

Conventional Question IAS - 1996

Question: A solid circular uniformly tapered shaft of length L , with a small angle oftaper is subjected to a torque T . The diameter at the two ends of the shaft are D and $1.2 D$. Determine the error introduced of its angular twist for a given length is determined on the uniform mean diameter of the shaft.

Answer: For shaft of tapering's section, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= \frac{2TL}{3G\pi} \left[\frac{R_1^2 + R_1 R_2 + R_2^2}{R_1^3 R_2^3} \right] = \frac{32TL}{3G\pi} \left[\frac{D_1^2 + D_1 D_2 + D_2^2}{D_1^3 D_2^3} \right] \\ &= \frac{32TL}{3G\pi D^4} \left[\frac{(1.2)^2 + 1.2 \times 1 + (1)^2}{(1.2)^3 \times (1)^3} \right] \quad [\because D_1 = D \text{ and } D_2 = 1.2D] \\ &= \frac{32TL}{3G\pi D^4} \times 2.1065 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } D_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1.2D + D}{2} = 1.1D$$

$$\therefore \theta' = \frac{32TL}{3G\pi} \times \left[\frac{3(1.1D)^2}{(1.1D)^6} \right] = \frac{32TL}{3G\pi} \times \frac{3}{(1.2)^4 D^4} = \frac{32TL}{3G\pi D^4} \times 2.049$$

$$\text{Error} = \frac{\theta - \theta'}{\theta} = \frac{2.1065 - 2.049}{2.1065} = 0.0273 \text{ or } 2.73\%$$

Conventional Question ESE-2008

Question: A hollow shaft and a solid shaft construction of the same material have the same length and the same outside radius. The inside radius of the hollow shaft is 0.6 times of the outside radius. Both the shafts are subjected to the same torque.

- What is the ratio of maximum shear stress in the hollow shaft to that of solid shaft?
- What is the ratio of angle of twist in the hollow shaft to that of solid shaft?

Solution: Using $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R} = \frac{G\theta}{L}$

$$\text{Given, } \frac{\text{Inside radius (r)}}{\text{Out side (R)}} = 0.6 \text{ and } T_h = T_s = T$$

$$(i) \tau = \frac{T.R}{J} \text{ gives ; For hollow shaft } (\tau_h) = \frac{T.R}{\frac{\pi}{2}(R^4 - r^4)}$$

$$\text{and for solid shaft } (\tau_s) = \frac{T.R}{\frac{\pi}{2}.R^4}$$

$$\text{Therefore } \frac{\tau_h}{\tau_s} = \frac{R^4}{R^4 - r^4} = \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^4} = \frac{1}{1 - 0.6^4} = 1.15$$

$$(ii) \theta = \frac{TL}{GJ} \text{ gives } \theta_h = \frac{T.L}{G \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}(R^4 - r^4)} \text{ and } \theta_s = \frac{T.L}{G \cdot \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cdot R^4\right)}$$

$$\text{Therefore } \frac{\theta_h}{\theta_s} = \frac{R^4}{R^4 - r^4} = \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^4} = \frac{1}{1 - 0.6^4} = 1.15$$

Conventional Question ESE-2006:

Question: Two hollow shafts of same diameter are used to transmit same power. One shaft is rotating at 1000 rpm while the other at 1200 rpm. What will be the nature and magnitude of the stress on the surfaces of these shafts? Will it be the same in two cases of different? Justify your answer.

Answer: We know power transmitted (P) = Torque (T) × rotation speed (ω)

$$\text{And shear stress } (\tau) = \frac{T.R}{J} = \frac{PR}{\omega J} = \frac{P \cdot D/2}{\left(\frac{2\pi N}{60}\right) \frac{\pi}{32}(D^4 - d^4)}$$

Therefore $\tau \propto \frac{1}{N}$ as P, D and d are constant.

So the shaft rotating at 1000 rpm will experience greater stress than 1200 rpm shaft.

Conventional Question ESE-2002

Question: A 5 cm diameter solid shaft is welded to a flat plate by 1 cm filled weld. What will be the maximum torque that the welded joint can sustain if the permissible shear stress in the weld material is not to exceed 8 kN/cm²? Deduce the expression for the shear stress at the throat from the basic theory.

Answer: Consider a circular shaft connected to a plate by means of a fillet joint as shown in figure. If the shaft is subjected to a torque, shear stress develops in the weld. Assuming that the weld thickness is very small compared to the diameter of the shaft, the maximum shear stress occurs in the throat area. Thus, for a given torque the maximum shear stress in the weld is

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{T \left(\frac{d}{2} + t \right)}{J}$$

Where T = Torque applied.

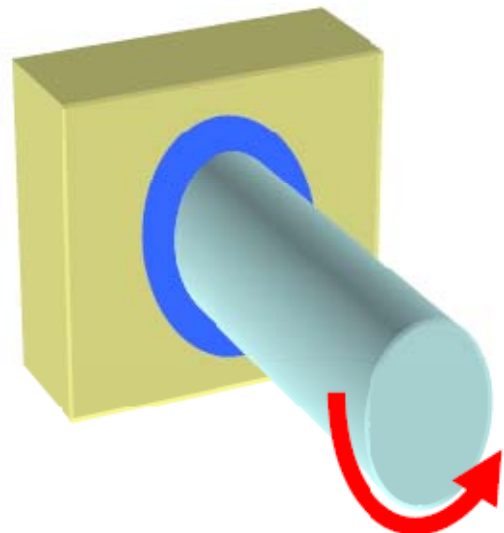
d = outer diameter of the shaft

t = throat thickness

J = polar moment of area of the throat section

$$= \frac{\pi}{32} [(d + 2t)^4 - d^4] = \frac{\pi}{4} d^3 \times t$$

$$[\text{As } t \ll d] \text{ then } \tau_{\max} = \frac{T \frac{d}{2}}{\frac{\pi}{4} d^3 t} = \frac{2T}{\pi t d^2}$$



Given

$$d = 5 \text{ cm} = 0.05 \text{ m} \quad \& \quad t = 1 \text{ cm} = 0.1 \text{ m}$$

$$t_{\max} = 8 \text{ kN/cm}^2 = \frac{8000 \text{ N}}{(10^{-4}) \text{ m}^2} = 80 \text{ MPa} = 80 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$\therefore T = \frac{\pi d^2 t t_{\max}}{2} = \frac{\pi \times 0.05^2 \times 0.01 \times 80 \times 10^6}{2} = 3.142 \text{ kNm}$$

Conventional Question ESE-2000

Question: The ratio of inside to outside diameter of a hollow shaft is 0.6. If there is a solid shaft with same torsional strength, what is the ratio of the outside diameter of hollow shaft to the diameter of the equivalent solid shaft.

Answer: Let D = external diameter of hollow shaft
 So $d = 0.6D$ internal diameter of hollow shaft
 And D_s = diameter of solid shaft
 From torsion equation

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{t}{R}$$

$$\text{or, } T = \frac{t J}{R} = t \times \frac{\frac{\pi}{32} \{D^4 - (0.6D)^4\}}{(D/2)} \text{ for hollow shaft}$$

$$\text{and } T = \frac{t J}{R} = t \times \frac{\frac{\pi}{32} D_s^4}{D_s/2} \text{ for solid shaft}$$

$$t \times \frac{\pi D^3}{16} \{1 - (0.6)^4\} = t \times \frac{\pi D_s^3}{16}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{D}{D_s} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{1 - (0.6)^4}} = 1.072$$

Conventional Question ESE-2001

Question: A cantilever tube of length 120 mm is subjected to an axial tension $P = 9.0 \text{ kN}$, A torsional moment $T = 72.0 \text{ Nm}$ and a pending Load $F = 1.75 \text{ kN}$ at the free end. The material is aluminum alloy with an yield strength 276 MPa. Find the thickness of the tube limiting the outside diameter to 50 mm so as to ensure a factor of safety of 4.

Answer: Polar moment of inertia (J) = $2\pi R^3 t = \frac{\pi D^3 t}{4}$

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{t}{R} \text{ or, } t = \frac{T \cdot R}{J} = \frac{TD}{2J} = \frac{TD}{2 \times \frac{\pi D^3 t}{4}} = \frac{2T}{\pi D^2 t} = \frac{2 \times 72}{\pi \times (0.050)^2 \times t} = \frac{18335}{t}$$

$$\text{Direct stress } (\sigma_1) = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{9000}{\pi d t} = \frac{9000}{\pi (0.050) t} = \frac{57296}{t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximum bending stress } (\sigma_2) &= \frac{My}{I} = \frac{M d/2}{I} = \frac{Md}{J} \quad [J = 2I] \\ &= \frac{1750 \times 0.120 \times 0.050 \times 4}{\pi \times (0.050)^3 t} = \frac{106952}{t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Total longitudinal stress } (\sigma_b) = \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 = \frac{164248}{t}$$

Maximum principal stress

$$(\sigma_1) = \frac{\sigma_b}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_b}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2} = \frac{164248}{2t} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{164248}{2t}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{18335}{t}\right)^2} = \left(\frac{276 \times 10^6}{4}\right)$$

$$\text{or, } t = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} = 2.4 \text{ mm}$$

Conventional Question ESE-2000 & ESE 2001

Question: A hollow shaft of diameter ratio 3/8 required to transmit 600kW at 110 rpm, the maximum torque being 20% greater than the mean. The shear stress is not to exceed 63 MPa and the twist in a length of 3 m not to exceed 1.4 degrees. Determine the diameter of the shaft. Assume modulus of rigidity for the shaft material as 84 GN/m².

Answer: Let d = internal diameter of the hollow shaft
And D = external diameter of the hollow shaft
(given) d = 3/8 D = 0.375D

Power (P) = 600 kW, speed (N) = 110 rpm, Shear stress (τ) = 63 MPa. Angle of twist (θ) = 1.4°, Length (ℓ) = 3m, modulus of rigidity (G) = 84 GPa

$$\text{We know that, } (P) = T \cdot \omega = T \cdot \frac{2\pi N}{60} \quad [T \text{ is average torque}]$$

$$\text{or } T = \frac{60 \times P}{2\pi N} = \frac{60 \times (600 \times 10^3)}{2 \times \pi \times 110} = 52087 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\therefore T_{\max} = 1.2 \times T = 1.2 \times 52087 = 62504 \text{ Nm}$$

First we consider that shear stress is not to exceed 63 MPa

$$\text{From torsion equation } \frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R}$$

$$\text{or } J = \frac{T \cdot R}{\tau} = \frac{T \cdot D}{2\tau}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\pi}{32} [D^4 - (0.375D)^4] = \frac{62504 \times D}{2 \times (63 \times 10^6)}$$

$$\text{or } D = 0.1727 \text{ m} = 172.7 \text{ mm} \text{ --- (i)}$$

$$\text{Second we consider angle of twist is not exceed } 1.4^\circ = \frac{17 \times 1.4}{180} \text{ radian}$$

$$\text{From torsion equation } \frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{\ell}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{T}{J} = \frac{G\theta}{\ell}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\pi}{32} [D^4 - (0.375D)^4] = \frac{62504 \times 3}{(84 \times 10^9) \left(\frac{\pi \times 1.5}{180} \right)}$$

$$\text{or } D = 0.1755 \text{ m} = 175.5 \text{ mm} \text{ --- (ii)}$$

So both the condition will satisfy if greater of the two value is adopted

so D = 175.5 mm

Conventional Question ESE-1997

Question: Determine the torsional stiffness of a hollow shaft of length L and having outside diameter equal to 1.5 times inside diameter d. The shear modulus of the material is G.

Answer: Outside diameter (D) = 1.5 d

$$\text{Polar modulus of the shaft } (J) = \frac{\pi}{32} (D^4 - d^4) = \frac{\pi}{32} d^4 (1.5^4 - 1)$$

We know that $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R} = \frac{G\theta}{L}$

$$\text{or } T = \frac{G\theta J}{L} = \frac{G\theta \frac{\pi}{32} d^4 (1.5^4 - 1)}{L} = \frac{0.4G\theta d^4}{L}$$

Conventional Question AMIE-1996

Question: The maximum normal stress and the maximum shear stress analysed for a shaft of 150 mm diameter under combined bending and torsion, were found to be 120 MN/m² and 80 MN/m² respectively. Find the bending moment and torque to which the shaft is subjected.

If the maximum shear stress be limited to 100 MN/m², find by how much the torque can be increased if the bending moment is kept constant.

Answer: Given: $\sigma_{\max} = 120 \text{ MN/m}^2$; $\tau_{\max} = 80 \text{ MN/m}^2$; $d = 150 \text{ mm} = 0.15 \text{ m}$

Part – 1: M; T

We know that for combined bending and torsion, we have the following expressions:

$$\sigma_{\max} = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} [M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}] \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\text{and } \tau_{\max} = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} [\sqrt{M^2 + T^2}] \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Substituting the given values in the above equations, we have

$$120 = \frac{16}{\pi \times (0.15)^3} [M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}] \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

$$80 = \frac{16}{\pi \times (0.15)^3} [\sqrt{M^2 + T^2}] \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$

$$\text{or } \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = \frac{80 \times \pi \times (0.15)^3}{16} = 0.053 \quad \text{--- (v)}$$

Substituting this values in equation (iii), we get

$$120 = \frac{16}{\pi \times (0.15)^3} [M + 0.053]$$

$$\therefore M = 0.0265 \text{ MNm}$$

Substituting for M in equation (v), we have

$$\sqrt{(0.0265)^2 + T^2} = 0.053$$

$$\text{or } T = 0.0459 \text{ MNm}$$

$$\text{Part II: } [\because \tau_{\max} = 100 \text{ MN/m}^2]$$

Increase in torque:

Bending moment (M) to be kept constant = 0.0265 MNm

$$\text{or } (0.0265)^2 + T^2 = \left[\frac{100 \times \pi \times (0.15)^3}{16} \right]^2 = 0.004391$$

$$\therefore T = 0.0607 \text{ MNm}$$

$$\therefore \text{The increased torque} = 0.0607 - 0.0459 = 0.0148 \text{ MNm}$$

Conventional Question ESE-1996

Question: A solid shaft is to transmit 300 kW at 120 rpm. If the shear stress is not to exceed 100 MPa, Find the diameter of the shaft, What percent saving in weight would be obtained if this shaft were replaced by a hollow one whose internal diameter equals 0.6 of the external diameter, the length, material and maximum allowable shear stress being the same?

Answer: Given $P = 300 \text{ kW}$, $N = 120 \text{ rpm}$, $\tau = 100 \text{ MPa}$, $d_H = 0.6D_H$

Diameter of solid shaft, D_s :

$$\text{We know that } P = \frac{2\pi NT}{60 \times 1000} \quad \text{or } 300 = \frac{2\pi \times 120 \times T}{60 \times 1000} \quad \text{or } T = 23873 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\text{We know that } \frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R}$$

$$\text{or, } T = \frac{\tau \cdot J}{R} \quad \text{or, } 23873 = \frac{100 \times 10^6 \times \frac{\pi}{32} D_s^4}{\frac{D_s}{2}}$$

$$\text{or, } D_s = 0.1067 \text{ m} = 106.7 \text{ mm}$$

Percentage saving in weight:

$$T_H = T_s$$

$$\left(\frac{\tau \times J}{R} \right)_H = \left(\frac{\tau \times J}{R} \right)_s$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{\{D_H^4 - d_H^4\}}{D_H} = D_s^3 \quad \text{or, } \frac{D_H^4 - (0.6D_H)^4}{D_H} = D_s^3$$

$$\text{or, } D_H = \frac{D_s}{\sqrt[3]{1 - 0.6^4}} = \frac{106.7}{\sqrt[3]{1 - 0.64}} = 111.8 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{Again } \frac{W_H}{W_s} = \frac{A_H L_H \rho_H g}{A_s L_s \rho_s g} = \frac{A_H}{A_s}$$

$$\frac{A_H}{A_s} = \frac{\frac{\pi}{4} (D_H^2 - d_H^2)}{\frac{\pi}{4} D_s^2} = \frac{D_H^2 (1 - 0.6^2)}{D_s^2} = \left(\frac{111.8}{106.7} \right)^2 (1 - 0.6)^2 = 0.702$$

$$\therefore \text{Percentage savings in weight} = \left(1 - \frac{W_H}{W_s} \right) \times 100 \\ = (1 - 0.702) \times 100 = 29.8\%$$



10. Thin Cylinder

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

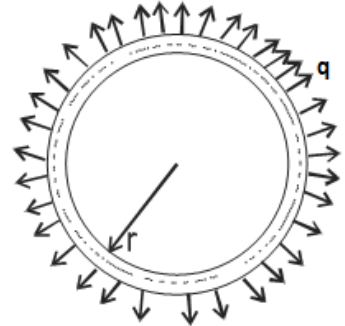
1. Thin Rings

Uniformly distributed loading (radial) may be due to either

- Internal pressure or external pressure
- Centrifugal force as in the case of a rotating ring

Case-I: Internal pressure or external pressure

- $s = qr$ Where q = Intensity of loading in kg/cm^2
 r = Mean centreline of radius
 s = circumferential tension or hoop's tension
(Radial loading ducted outward)



- Unit stress, $\sigma = \frac{s}{A} = \frac{qr}{A}$
- Circumferential strain, $\epsilon_c = \frac{\sigma}{E} = \frac{qr}{AE}$
- Diametral strain, $(\epsilon_d) = \text{Circumferential strain, } (\epsilon_c)$

Case-II: Centrifugal force

- Hoop's Tension, $s = \frac{w\omega^2 r^2}{g}$ Where w = wt. per unit length of circumferential element
 ω = Angular velocity
- Radial loading, $q = \frac{s}{r} = \frac{w\omega^2 r}{g}$
- Hoop's stress, $\sigma = \frac{s}{A} = \frac{w}{Ag} \cdot \omega^2 r^2$

2. Thin Walled Pressure Vessels

For thin cylinders whose thickness may be considered small compared to their diameter.

$$\frac{\text{Inner dia of the cylinder } (d_i)}{\text{wall thickness } (t)} > 15 \text{ or } 20$$

3. General Formula

$$\frac{\sigma_1}{r_1} + \frac{\sigma_2}{r_2} = \frac{p}{t}$$

Where σ_2 = Meridional stress at A

σ_1 = Circumferential / Hoop's stress

P = Intensity of internal gas pressure/ fluid pressure

t = Thickness of pressure vessel.

4. Some cases:

- Cylindrical vessel**

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{pr}{t} = \frac{pD}{2t} \quad \sigma_2 = \frac{pr}{2t} = \frac{pD}{4t} \quad [r_1 \rightarrow \infty, r_2 = r]$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{pr}{4t} = \frac{pD}{8t} \quad (\text{in plane})$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2} = \frac{\frac{pr}{t} - 0}{2} = \frac{pr}{2t} = \frac{pD}{4t} \quad (\text{out of plane})$$

- Spherical vessel**

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \frac{pr}{2t} = \frac{pD}{4t} \quad [r_1 = r_2 = r]$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = 0 \quad (\text{in plane})$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2} = \frac{\frac{pr}{2t} - 0}{2} = \frac{pr}{4t} = \frac{pD}{8t} \quad (\text{out of plane})$$

- Conical vessel**

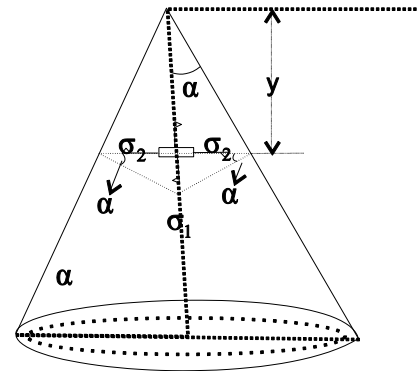
$$\sigma_1 = \frac{py \tan \alpha}{2t \cos \alpha} [r_1 \rightarrow \infty] \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_2 = \frac{py \tan \alpha}{t \cos \alpha}$$

Notes:

- Volume 'V' of the spherical shell, $V = \frac{\pi}{6} D_i^3$

$$\Rightarrow D_i = \left(\frac{6V}{\pi} \right)^{1/3}$$

- Design of thin cylindrical shells is based on hoop's stress



5. Volumetric Strain (Dilation)

- Rectangular block, $\frac{\Delta V}{V_0} = \epsilon_x + \epsilon_y + \epsilon_z$

- Cylindrical pressure vessel**

$$\epsilon_1 = \text{Longitudinal strain} = \frac{\sigma_1}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_2}{E} = \frac{pr}{2Et} [1 - 2\mu]$$

$$\epsilon_2 = \text{Circumferential strain} = \frac{\sigma_2}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_1}{E} = \frac{pr}{2Et} [1 - 2\mu]$$

$$\text{Volumetric Strain, } \frac{\Delta V}{V_o} = \epsilon_1 + 2\epsilon_2 = \frac{pr}{2Et} [5 - 4\mu] = \frac{pD}{4Et} [5 - 4\mu]$$

i.e. *Volumetric strain*, $(\epsilon_v) = \text{longitudinal strain}(\epsilon_1) + 2 \times \text{circumferential strain}(\epsilon_2)$

- *Spherical vessels*

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 = \frac{pr}{2Et} [1 - \mu]$$

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V_o} = 3\epsilon = \frac{3pr}{2Et} [1 - \mu]$$

6. Thin cylindrical shell with hemispherical end

Condition for no distortion at the junction of cylindrical and hemispherical portion

$$\frac{t_2}{t_1} = \frac{1 - \mu}{2 - \mu}$$

Where, t_1 = wall thickness of cylindrical portion

t_2 = wall thickness of hemispherical portion

7. Alternative method

Consider the equilibrium of forces in the z-direction acting on the part cylinder shown in figure.

Force due to internal pressure p acting on area $\pi D^2/4 = p \cdot \pi D^2/4$

Force due to longitudinal stress acting on area $\pi Dt = \sigma_1 \pi Dt$

Equating: $p \cdot \pi D^2/4 = \sigma_1 \pi Dt$

$$\text{or } \sigma_1 = \frac{pd}{4t} = \frac{pr}{2t}$$

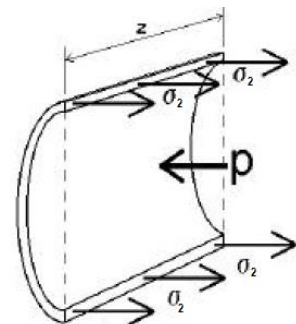
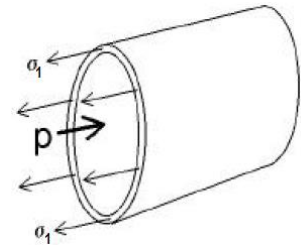
Now consider the equilibrium of forces in the x-direction acting on the sectioned cylinder shown in figure. It is assumed that the circumferential stress σ_2 is constant through the thickness of the cylinder.

Force due to internal pressure p acting on area $Dz = pDz$

Force due to circumferential stress σ_2 acting on area $2tz = \sigma_2 2tz$

Equating: $pDz = \sigma_2 2tz$

$$\text{or } \sigma_2 = \frac{pD}{2t} = \frac{pr}{t}$$



OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Stresses

GATE-1. A thin cylinder of inner radius 500 mm and thickness 10 mm is subjected to an internal pressure of 5 MPa. The average circumferential (hoop) stress in MPa is [GATE-2011]

- (a) 100 (b) 250 (c) 500 (d) 1000

GATE-2. The maximum principal strain in a thin cylindrical tank, having a radius of 25 cm and wall thickness of 5 mm when subjected to an internal pressure of 1 MPa, is (taking Young's modulus as 200 GPa and Poisson's ratio as 0.2) [GATE-1998]

- (a) 2.25×10^{-4} (b) 2.25 (c) 2.25×10^{-6} (d) 22.5

GATE-3. A thin walled spherical shell is subjected to an internal pressure. If the radius of the shell is increased by 1% and the thickness is reduced by 1%, with the internal pressure remaining the same, the percentage change in the circumferential (hoop) stress is [GATE-2012]

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 1.08 (d) 2.02

GATE-3a. A long thin walled cylindrical shell, closed at both the ends, is subjected to an internal pressure. The ratio of the hoop stress (circumferential stress) to longitudinal stress developed in the shell is [GATE-2013, 2016]

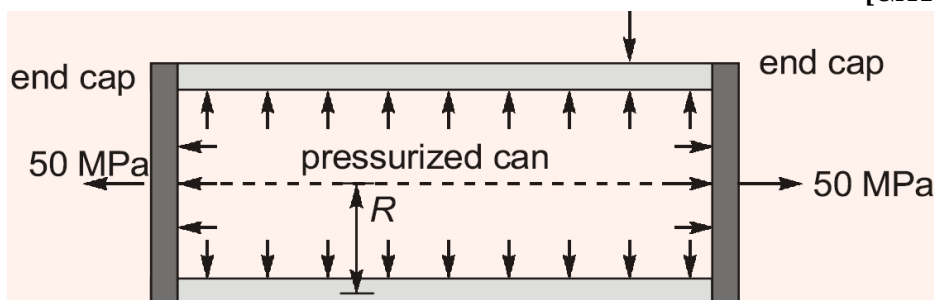
- (a) 0.5 (b) 1.0 (c) 2.0 (d) 4.0

GATE-3b. A thin gas cylinder with an internal radius of 100 mm is subject to an internal pressure of 10 MPa. The maximum permissible working stress is restricted to 100 MPa. The minimum cylinder wall thickness (in mm) for safe design must be [GATE-2014]

GATE-3c. A thin-walled cylindrical pressure vessel of internal diameter 2 m is designed to withstand an internal pressure of 500 kPa (gauge). If the allowable normal stress at any point within the cylindrical portion of the vessel is 100 MPa, the minimum thickness of the plate of the vessel (in mm) is _____. [PI:GATE-2016]

GATE-3d. A thin-walled cylindrical can with rigid end caps has a mean radius $R = 100$ mm and a wall thickness of $t = 5$ mm. The can is pressurized and an additional tensile stress of 50 MPa is imposed along the axial direction as shown in the figure. Assume that the state of stress in the wall is uniform along its length. If the magnitudes of axial and circumferential components of stress in the can are equal, the pressure (in MPa) inside the can is _____ (correct to two decimal places).

[GATE-2018]



- GATE-3e. A spherical pressure vessel (made of mild steel) of internal diameter 500 mm and thickness 10 mm is subjected to an internal gauge pressure of 4000 kPa. If the yield stress of mild steel is 200 MPa, the factor of safety (up to one decimal place) is _____ [GATE(PI)-2018]

Maximum shear stress

- GATE-4. A thin walled cylindrical vessel of wall thickness, t and diameter d is fitted with gas to a gauge pressure of p . The maximum shear stress on the vessel wall will then be: [GATE-1999]

(a) $\frac{pd}{t}$ (b) $\frac{pd}{2t}$ (c) $\frac{pd}{4t}$ (d) $\frac{pd}{8t}$

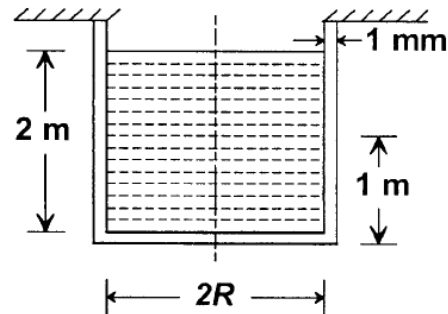
- GATE-4(i) A cylindrical tank with closed ends is filled with compressed air at a pressure of 500 kPa. The inner radius of the tank is 2m, and it has wall thickness of 10 mm. The magnitude of maximum in-plane shear stress (in MPa) is _ [GATE-2015]

- GATE-4ii A gas is stored in a cylindrical tank of inner radius 7 m and wall thickness 50 mm. The gage pressure of the gas is 2 MPa. The maximum shear stress (in MPa) in the wall is [GATE-2015]

(a) 35 (b) 70 (c) 140 (d) 280

Statement for Linked Answers and Questions 5 and 6

A cylindrical container of radius $R = 1$ m, wall thickness 1 mm is filled with water up to a depth of 2 m and suspended along its upper rim. The density of water is 1000 kg/m^3 and acceleration due to gravity is 10 m/s^2 . The self-weight of the cylinder is negligible. The formula for hoop stress in a thin-walled cylinder can be used at all points along the height of the cylindrical container.



[GATE-2008]

- GATE-5. The axial and circumferential stress (σ_a, σ_c) experienced by the cylinder wall at mid-depth (1 m as shown) are

(a) (10,10) MPa (b) (5,10) MPa (c) (10,5) MPa (d) (5,5) MPa

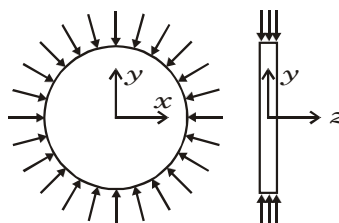
- GATE-6. If the Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio of the container material are 100 GPa and 0.3, respectively, the axial strain in the cylinder wall at mid-depth is:

(a) 2×10^{-5} (b) 6×10^{-5} (c) 7×10^{-5} (d) 1.2×10^{-5}

- GATE-7. A thin walled cylindrical pressure vessel having a radius of 0.5 m and wall thickness of 25 mm is subjected to an internal pressure of 700 kPa. The hoop stress developed is [CE: GATE-2009]

(a) 14 MPa (b) 1.4 MPa (c) 0.14 MPa (d) 0.014 MPa

- GATE-8. A thin plate of uniform thickness is subject to pressure as shown in the figure below



Under the assumption of plane stress, which one of the following is correct?

- (a) Normal stress is zero in the z -direction
 (b) Normal stress is tensile in the z -direction
 (c) Normal stress is compressive in the z -direction
 (d) Normal stress varies in the z -direction

[GATE-2014]

GATE-9. A thin-walled long cylindrical tank of inside radius r is subjected simultaneously to internal gas pressure p and axial compressive force F at its ends. In order to produce 'pure shear' state of stress in the wall of the cylinder, F should be equal to

- (a) $p\pi r^2$ (b) $2p\pi r^2$ (c) $3p\pi r^2$ (d) $4p\pi r^2$

[CE: GATE-2006]

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Circumferential or hoop stress

IES-1. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer:

[IES-2002]

List-I				List-II		
(2-D Stress system loading)				(Ratio of principal stresses)		
A.	Thin cylinder under internal pressure			1.	3.0	
B.	Thin sphere under internal pressure			2.	1.0	
C.	Shaft subjected to torsion			3.	-1.0	
				4.	2.0	
Codes:	A	B	C	A	B	C
(a)	4	2	3	(b)	1	3
(c)	4	3	2	(d)	1	2

IES-2. A thin cylinder of radius r and thickness t when subjected to an internal hydrostatic pressure P causes a radial displacement u , then the tangential strain caused is:

[IES-2002]

- (a) $\frac{du}{dr}$ (b) $\frac{1}{r} \cdot \frac{du}{dr}$ (c) $\frac{u}{r}$ (d) $\frac{2u}{r}$

IES-3. A thin cylindrical shell is subjected to internal pressure p . The Poisson's ratio of the material of the shell is 0.3. Due to internal pressure, the shell is subjected to circumferential strain and axial strain. The ratio of circumferential strain to axial strain is:

[IES-2001]

- (a) 0.425 (b) 2.25 (c) 0.225 (d) 4.25

IES-4. A thin cylindrical shell of diameter d , length ' l ' and thickness t is subjected to an internal pressure p . What is the ratio of longitudinal strain to hoop strain in terms of Poisson's ratio ($1/m$)?

[IES-2004, ISRO-2015]

- (a) $\frac{m-2}{2m+1}$ (b) $\frac{m-2}{2m-1}$ (c) $\frac{2m-1}{m-2}$ (d) $\frac{2m+2}{m-1}$

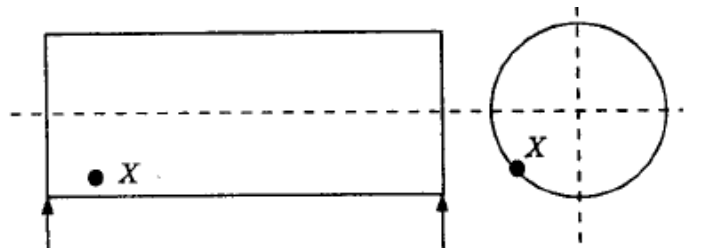
IES-5. When a thin cylinder of diameter ' d ' and thickness ' t ' is pressurized with an internal pressure of ' p ', ($1/m = \mu$ is the Poisson's ratio and E is the modulus of elasticity), then

[IES-1998]

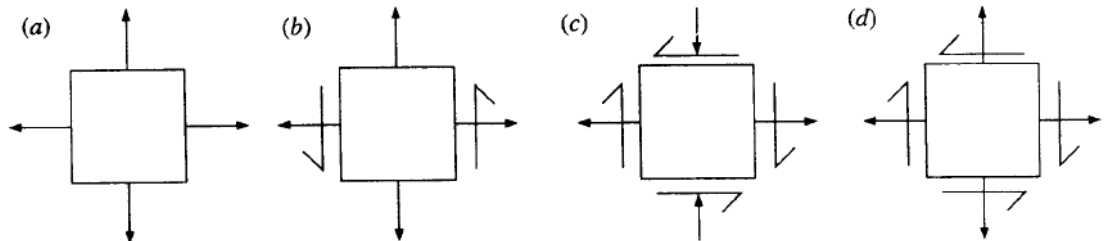
- (a) The circumferential strain will be equal to $\frac{pd}{2tE} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{m} \right)$
- (b) The longitudinal strain will be equal to $\frac{pd}{2tE} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2m} \right)$
- (c) The longitudinal stress will be equal to $\frac{pd}{2t}$
- (d) The ratio of the longitudinal strain to circumferential strain will be equal to $\frac{m-2}{2m-1}$

- IES-6. A thin cylinder contains fluid at a pressure of 500 N/m², the internal diameter of the shell is 0.6 m and the tensile stress in the material is to be limited to 9000 N/m². The shell must have a minimum wall thickness of nearly [IES-2000]
- (a) 9 mm (b) 11 mm (c) 17 mm (d) 21 mm

- IES-7. A thin cylinder with closed lids is subjected to internal pressure and supported at the ends as shown in figure. The state of stress at point X is as represented in



[IES-1999]



- IES-8. A thin cylinder with both ends closed is subjected to internal pressure p . The longitudinal stress at the surface has been calculated as σ_o . Maximum shear stress at the surface will be equal to: [IES-1999]
- (a) $2\sigma_o$ (b) $1.5\sigma_o$ (c) σ_o (d) $0.5\sigma_o$

- IES-8(i). If a thin walled cylinder with closed hemispherical ends with thickness 12mm and inside diameter 1250mm is to withstand a pressure of 1.5MPa, then maximum shear stress induced is [2014]
- (a) 19.5MPa (b) 39.05MPa (c) 78.12MPa (d) 90.5MPa

- IES-9. A metal pipe of 1m diameter contains a fluid having a pressure of 10 kgf/cm². If the permissible tensile stress in the metal is 200 kgf/cm², then the thickness of the metal required for making the pipe would be: [IES-1993]
- (a) 5mm (b) 10 mm (c) 20 mm (d) 25 mm

- IES-10. Circumferential stress in a cylindrical steel boiler shell under internal pressure is 80 MPa. Young's modulus of elasticity and Poisson's ratio are respectively 2×10^5 MPa and 0.28. The magnitude of circumferential strain in the boiler shell will be: [IES-1999]

- (a) 3.44×10^{-4} (b) 3.84×10^{-4} (c) 4×10^{-4} (d) 4.56×10^{-4}

- IES-11. A penstock pipe of 10m diameter carries water under a pressure head of 100 m. If the wall thickness is 9 mm, what is the tensile stress in the pipe wall in MPa? [IES-2009]

- (a) 2725 (b) 545.0 (c) 272.5 (d) 1090

- IES-12. A water main of 1 m diameter contains water at a pressure head of 100 metres. The permissible tensile stress in the material of the water main is 25 MPa. What is the minimum thickness of the water main? (Take $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$). [IES-2009]
- (a) 10 mm (b) 20 mm (c) 50 mm (d) 60 mm

- IES-12(i). A seamless pipe of diameter d m is to carry fluid under a pressure of p kN/cm². The necessary thickness t of metal in cm, if the maximum stress is not to exceed σ kN/cm², is [IES-2012]
- (a) $t \geq \frac{pd}{2\sigma} \text{ cm}$ (b) $t \geq \frac{100pd}{2\sigma} \text{ cm}$ (c) $t \leq \frac{pd}{2\sigma} \text{ cm}$ (d) $t \leq \frac{100pd}{2\sigma} \text{ cm}$

Longitudinal stress

- IES-13. Hoop stress and longitudinal stress in a boiler shell under internal pressure are 100 MN/m² and 50 MN/m² respectively. Young's modulus of elasticity and Poisson's ratio of the shell material are 200 GN/m² and 0.3 respectively. The hoop strain in boiler shell is: [IES-1995]
- (a) 0.425×10^{-3} (b) 0.5×10^{-3} (c) 0.585×10^{-3} (d) 0.75×10^{-3}

Volumetric strain

- IES-15. Circumferential and longitudinal strains in a cylindrical boiler under internal steam pressure are ε_1 and ε_2 respectively. Change in volume of the boiler cylinder per unit volume will be: [IES-1993; IAS 2003]
- (a) $\varepsilon_1 + 2\varepsilon_2$ (b) $\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2^2$ (c) $2\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2$ (d) $\varepsilon_1^2 \varepsilon_2$
- IES-15a. In case of a thin cylindrical shell, subjected to an internal fluid pressure, the volumetric strain is equal to [IES-2018]
- (a) circumferential strain plus longitudinal strain
 (b) circumferential strain plus twice the longitudinal strain
 (c) twice the circumferential strain plus longitudinal strain
 (d) twice the circumferential strain plus twice the longitudinal strain
- IES-16. The volumetric strain in case of a thin cylindrical shell of diameter d , thickness t , subjected to internal pressure p is: [IES-2003; IAS 1997]
- (a) $\frac{pd}{2tE} \cdot (3 - 2\mu)$ (b) $\frac{pd}{3tE} \cdot (4 - 3\mu)$ (c) $\frac{pd}{4tE} \cdot (5 - 4\mu)$ (d) $\frac{pd}{4tE} \cdot (4 - 5\mu)$
- (Where E = Modulus of elasticity, μ = Poisson's ratio for the shell material)

Spherical Vessel

- IES-17. For the same internal diameter, wall thickness, material and internal pressure, the ratio of maximum stress, induced in a thin cylindrical and in a thin spherical pressure vessel will be: [IES-2001]
- (a) 2 (b) 1/2 (c) 4 (d) 1/4
- IES-17a. What is the safe working pressure for a spherical pressure vessel 1.5 m internal diameter and 1.5 cm wall thickness, if the maximum allowable tensile stress is 45 MPa? [IES-2013]
- (a) 0.9 MPa (b) 3.6 MPa (c) 2.7 MPa (d) 1.8 MPa
- IES-17b. A thin cylindrical pressure vessel and a thin spherical pressure vessel have the same mean radius, same wall thickness and are subjected to same internal

pressure. The hoop stress set up in these vessels cylinder in relation to sphere will be in the ratio [IES-2017 Prelims]

- (a) 1 : 2 (b) 1 : 1 (c) 2 : 1 (d) 4 : 1

IES-18. From design point of view, spherical pressure vessels are preferred over cylindrical pressure vessels because they [IES-1997]

- (a) Are cost effective in fabrication
 (b) Have uniform higher circumferential stress
 (c) Uniform lower circumferential stress
 (d) Have a larger volume for the same quantity of material used

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Circumferential or hoop stress

IAS-1. The ratio of circumferential stress to longitudinal stress in a thin cylinder subjected to internal hydrostatic pressure is: [IAS 1994]

- (a) 1/2 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 4

IAS-2. A thin walled water pipe carries water under a pressure of 2 N/mm² and discharges water into a tank. Diameter of the pipe is 25 mm and thickness is 2.5 mm. What is the longitudinal stress induced in the pipe? [IAS-2007]

- (a) 0 (b) 2 N/mm² (c) 5 N/mm² (d) 10 N/mm²

IAS-3. A thin cylindrical shell of mean diameter 750 mm and wall thickness 10 mm has its ends rigidly closed by flat steel plates. The shell is subjected to internal fluid pressure of 10 N/mm² and an axial external pressure P_1 . If the longitudinal stress in the shell is to be zero, what should be the approximate value of P_1 ? [IAS-2007]

- (a) 8 N/mm² (b) 9 N/mm² (c) 10 N/mm² (d) 12 N/mm²

IAS-4. Assertion (A): A thin cylindrical shell is subjected to internal fluid pressure that induces a 2-D stress state in the material along the longitudinal and circumferential directions. [IAS-2000]

Reason(R): The circumferential stress in the thin cylindrical shell is two times the magnitude of longitudinal stress.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

IAS-5. Match List-I (Terms used in thin cylinder stress analysis) with List-II (Mathematical expressions) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [IAS-1998]

List-I

- A. Hoop stress
 B. Maximum shear stress
 C. Longitudinal stress
 D. Cylinder thickness

List-II

1. $pd/4t$
 2. $pd/2t$
 3. $pd/2\sigma$
 4. $pd/8t$

Codes:	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
(a)	2	3	1	4	2	3	4	1
(c)	2	4	3	1	2	4	1	3

Longitudinal stress

- IAS-6. Assertion (A): For a thin cylinder under internal pressure, At least three strain gauges is needed to know the stress state completely at any point on the shell.
Reason (R): If the principal stresses directions are not know, the minimum number of strain gauges needed is three in a biaxial field. [IAS-2001]
- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **NOT** the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

Maximum shear stress

- IAS-7. The maximum shear stress is induced in a thin-walled cylindrical shell having an internal diameter 'D' and thickness 't' when subject to an internal pressure 'p' is equal to: [IAS-1996]
- (a) pD/t (b) $pD/2t$ (c) $pD/4t$ (d) $pD/8t$

Volumetric strain

- IAS-8. Circumferential and longitudinal strains in a cylindrical boiler under internal steam pressure are ε_1 and ε_2 respectively. Change in volume of the boiler cylinder per unit volume will be: [IES-1993; IAS 2003]

(a) $\varepsilon_1 + 2\varepsilon_2$ (b) $\varepsilon_1\varepsilon_2$ (c) $2\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2$ (d) $\varepsilon_1^2\varepsilon_2$

- IAS-9. The volumetric strain in case of a thin cylindrical shell of diameter d, thickness t, subjected to internal pressure p is: [IES-2003; IAS 1997]

(a) $\frac{pd}{2tE} \cdot (3 - 2\mu)$ (b) $\frac{pd}{3tE} \cdot (4 - 3\mu)$ (c) $\frac{pd}{4tE} \cdot (5 - 4\mu)$ (d) $\frac{pd}{4tE} \cdot (4 - 5\mu)$

(Where E = Modulus of elasticity, μ = Poisson's ratio for the shell material)

- IAS-10. A thin cylinder of diameter 'd' and thickness 't' is subjected to an internal pressure 'p' the change in diameter is (where E is the modulus of elasticity and μ is the Poisson's ratio) [IAS-1998]

(a) $\frac{pd^2}{4tE} (2 - \mu)$ (b) $\frac{pd^2}{2tE} (1 + \mu)$ (c) $\frac{pd^2}{tE} (2 + \mu)$ (d) $\frac{pd^2}{4tE} (2 + \mu)$

- IAS-11. The percentage change in volume of a thin cylinder under internal pressure having hoop stress = 200 MPa, E = 200 GPa and Poisson's ratio = 0.25 is: [IAS-2002]

(a) 0.40 (b) 0.30 (c) 0.25 (d) 0.20

- IAS-12. A round bar of length l, elastic modulus E and Poisson's ratio μ is subjected to an axial pull 'P'. What would be the change in volume of the bar? [IAS-2007]

(a) $\frac{Pl}{(1 - 2\mu)E}$ (b) $\frac{Pl(1 - 2\mu)}{E}$ (c) $\frac{Pl\mu}{E}$ (d) $\frac{Pl}{\mu E}$

- IAS-13. If a block of material of length 25 cm, breadth 10 cm and height 5 cm undergoes a volumetric strain of $1/5000$, then change in volume will be: [IAS-2000]

(a) 0.50 cm^3 (b) 0.25 cm^3 (c) 0.20 cm^3 (d) 0.75 cm^3

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (b) Inner radius (r) = 500 mm

Thickness (t) = 10 mm

Internal pressure (p) = 5 MPa

$$\text{Hoop stress, } \sigma_c = \frac{pr}{t} = \frac{5 \times 10^6 \times 500}{10} \text{ Pa} = 250 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-2. Ans. (a) Circumferential or Hoop stress (σ_c) = $\frac{pr}{t} = \frac{1 \times 250}{5} = 50 \text{ MPa}$

$$\text{Longitudinal stress } (\sigma_l) = \frac{pr}{2t} = 25 \text{ MPa}$$

$$e_c = \frac{\sigma_c}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_l}{E} = \frac{50 \times 10^6}{200 \times 10^9} - 0.2 \times \frac{25 \times 10^6}{200 \times 10^9} = 2.25 \times 10^{-4}$$

GATE-3. Ans. (d)

GATE-3a. Ans. (c)

GATE-3b. Ans. 9.8 to 10.6

$$\text{Maximum principal stress } (\sigma_1) = \frac{pr}{t} = \frac{10 \times 100}{t} = 100$$

$$\text{or } t = 10 \text{ mm}$$

GATE-3c. Ans. 5 mm (Range given 4.5 to 5.5)

$$\sigma = \frac{pr}{t} \quad \text{Or } t = \frac{pr}{\sigma} = \frac{0.5 \text{ MPa} \times 1000 \text{ mm}}{100 \text{ MPa}} = 5 \text{ mm}$$

GATE-3d. Ans. 5

$$\text{Circumferential stress, } \sigma_c = \frac{pr}{t}$$

$$\text{Axial Stress, } \sigma_l = \frac{pr}{2t} + 50 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Now, } \sigma_c = \sigma_l$$

$$\frac{pr}{t} = \frac{pr}{2t} + 50 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{or } p = 5 \text{ MPa}$$

For correct calculation inner radius will be used.

GATE-3e. Ans. 4

For mild steel (ductile material) best theory of failure Von-Mises theory

$$\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_1 \sigma_2 = \left(\frac{\sigma_y}{f_{os}} \right)^2 \quad \text{as } \sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \frac{pr}{2t}$$

$$\text{or } \sigma^2 + \sigma^2 - \sigma \sigma = \left(\frac{\sigma_y}{f_{os}} \right)^2$$

$$\text{or } \sigma = \frac{\sigma_y}{f_{os}} \quad \text{or } \frac{pr}{2t} = \frac{\sigma_y}{f_{os}} \quad \left[p = 4000 \text{ kPa} = 4 \text{ MPa}, r = \frac{d}{2} = \frac{500}{2} \text{ mm} \right]$$

$$\text{or } f_{os} = \frac{\sigma_y \times 2t}{pr} = \frac{200 \times 2 \times 10}{4 \times 250} = 4$$

GATE-4. Ans. (c) $\sigma_c = \frac{pd}{2t}$, $\sigma_l = \frac{pd}{4t}$, Maximum shear stress = $\frac{\sigma_c}{2} = \frac{pd}{4t}$

GATE-4(i). Ans. 25

$$\text{Maximum in plane shear stress } \tau_{\max} = \frac{pr}{4t} = \frac{500 \times 2}{4 \times 10} = 25 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-4(ii) Ans. (c)

$$\sigma_1 = pr/t = (2 \times 7)/0.05 = 280 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_2 = pr/2t = (2 \times 7)/(2 \times 0.05) = 140 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_3 = 0$$

$$\text{Maximum shear stress } (\tau_{\max}) = \frac{\sigma_{\max} - \sigma_{\min}}{2} = \frac{280 - 0}{2} = 140 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-5. Ans. (a) Pressure (P) = h ρ g = 1 \times 1000 \times 10 = 10 kPa

$$\text{Axial Stress } (\sigma_a) \Rightarrow \sigma_a \times 2\pi R t = \rho g \times \pi R^2 L$$

$$\text{or } \sigma_a = \frac{\rho g R L}{t} = \frac{1000 \times 10 \times 1 \times 1}{1 \times 10^{-3}} = 10 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Circumferential Stress } (\sigma_c) = \frac{PR}{t} = \frac{10 \times 1}{1 \times 10^{-3}} = 10 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{GATE-6. Ans. (c)} \quad \varepsilon_a = \frac{\sigma_a}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_c}{E} = \frac{10}{100 \times 10^{-3}} - 0.3 \times \frac{10}{100 \times 10^{-3}} = 7 \times 10^{-5}$$

GATE-7. Ans. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hoop stress} &= \frac{pd}{2t} \\ &= \frac{700 \times 10^3 \times 2 \times 0.5}{2 \times 25 \times 10^{-3}} = 14 \times 10^6 = 14 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

GATE-8. Ans. (a)

GATE-9. Ans. (c)

IES

IES-1. Ans. (a)

IES-2. Ans. (c)

$$\text{IES-3. Ans. (d)} \quad \text{Circumferential strain, } e_c = \frac{\sigma_c}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_l}{E} = \frac{pr}{2Et} (2 - \mu)$$

$$\text{Longitudinal strain, } e_l = \frac{\sigma_l}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_c}{E} = \frac{pr}{2Et} (1 - 2\mu)$$

$$\text{IES-4. Ans. (b)} \quad \text{longitudinal stress } (\sigma_l) = \frac{Pr}{2t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hoop stress } (\sigma_c) &= \frac{Pr}{t} \\ \therefore \frac{e_l}{e_c} &= \frac{\frac{\sigma_l}{E} - \frac{1}{m} \frac{\sigma_c}{E}}{\frac{\sigma_c}{E} - \frac{1}{m} \frac{\sigma_l}{E}} = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{m}}{1 - \frac{1}{m}} = \frac{m-2}{2m-1} \end{aligned}$$

IES-5. Ans. (d) Ratio of longitudinal strain to circumferential strain

$$= \frac{\sigma_l - \left(\frac{1}{m}\right) \sigma_c}{\sigma_c - \left(\frac{1}{m}\right) \sigma_l} = \frac{\sigma_l - \left(\frac{1}{m}\right) \{2\sigma_l\}}{\{2\sigma_l\} - \left(\frac{1}{m}\right) \sigma_l} = \frac{m-2}{2m-1}$$

$$\text{Circumferential strain, } e_c = \frac{\sigma_c}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_l}{E} = \frac{pr}{2Et} (2 - \mu)$$

$$\text{Longitudinal strain, } e_l = \frac{\sigma_l}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_c}{E} = \frac{pr}{2Et}(1 - 2\mu)$$

IES-6. Ans. (c)

IES-7. Ans. (a) Point 'X' is subjected to circumferential and longitudinal stress, i.e. tension on all faces, but there is no shear stress because vessel is supported freely outside.

IES-8. Ans. (d)

$$\text{Longitudinal stress} = \sigma_o \text{ and hoop stress} = 2\sigma_o \text{ Max. shear stress} = \frac{2\sigma_o - \sigma_o}{2} = \frac{\sigma_o}{2}$$

IES-8(i). Ans. (b)

$$\text{IES-9. Ans. (d) Hoop stress} = \frac{pd}{2t} \text{ or } 200 = \frac{10 \times 100}{2 \times t} \text{ or } t = \frac{1000}{400} = 2.5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{IES-10. Ans. (a) Circumferential strain} = \frac{1}{E}(\sigma_1 - \mu\sigma_2)$$

Since circumferential stress $\sigma_1 = 80 \text{ MPa}$ and longitudinal stress $\sigma_2 = 40 \text{ MPa}$

$$\therefore \text{Circumferential strain} = \frac{1}{2 \times 10^5 \times 10^6} [80 - 0.28 \times 40] \times 10^6 = 3.44 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{IES-11. Ans. (b) Tensile stress in the pipe wall} = \text{Circumferential stress in pipe wall} = \frac{Pd}{2t}$$

$$\text{Where, } P = \rho g H = 980000 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$\therefore \text{Tensile stress} = \frac{980000 \times 10}{2 \times 9 \times 10^{-3}} = 544.44 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2 = 544.44 \text{ MN/m}^2 = 544.44 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{IES-12. Ans. (b) Pressure in the main} = \rho g h = 1000 \times 10 \times 1000 = 10^6 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 1000 \text{ KPa}$$

$$\text{Hoop stress} = \sigma_c = \frac{Pd}{2t}$$

$$\therefore t = \frac{Pd}{2\sigma_c} = \frac{(10^6)(1)}{2 \times 25 \times 10^6} = \frac{1}{50} \text{ m} = 20 \text{ mm}$$

IES-12(i). Ans. (b)

$$\text{IES-13. Ans. (a) Hoop strain} = \frac{1}{E}(\sigma_h - \mu\sigma_l) = \frac{1}{200 \times 1000} [100 - 0.3 \times 50] = 0.425 \times 10^{-3}$$

IES-14. Ans. (a)

IES-15. Ans. (c) Volumetric strain = 2 × circumferential strain + longitudinal strain
(Where E = Modulus of elasticity, μ = Poisson's ratio for the shell material)

IES-15a. Ans. (c)

$$V = \frac{\pi D^2}{4} \times L$$

$$\log V = \log \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) + \log D^2 + \log L$$

$$\epsilon_v = \frac{dV}{V} = 2 \frac{dD}{D} + \frac{dL}{L}$$

$$\epsilon_v = 2\epsilon_{\text{Circumferential}} + \epsilon_{\text{Longitudinal}}$$

IES-16. Ans. (c) Remember it.

IES-17. Ans. (a)

IES-17a. Ans. (d)

IES-17b. Ans. (c)

IES-18. Ans. (c)

IAS-1. Ans. (c)

IAS-2. Ans. (a)

IAS-3. Ans. (c) Tensile longitudinal stress due to internal fluid pressure $(\delta_l)_t = \frac{10 \times \left(\frac{\pi \times 750^2}{4} \right)}{\pi \times 750 \times 10}$

tensile. Compressive longitudinal stress due to external pressure p_1 $(\delta_l)_c =$

$$\frac{P_1 \times \left(\frac{\pi \times 750^2}{4} \right)}{\pi \times 750 \times 10} \text{ compressive. For zero longitudinal stress } (\delta_l)_t = (\delta_l)_c.$$

IAS-4. Ans. (b) For thin cell $\sigma_c = \frac{Pr}{t}$ $\sigma_l = \frac{Pr}{2t}$

IAS-5. Ans. (d)

IAS-6. Ans. (d) For thin cylinder, variation of radial strain is zero. So only circumferential and longitudinal strain has to be measured so only two strain gauges are needed.

IAS-7. Ans. (d) Hoop stress $(\sigma_c) = \frac{PD}{2t}$ and Longitudinal stress $(\sigma_l) = \frac{PD}{4t}$ $\therefore \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_c - \sigma_l}{2} = \frac{PD}{8t}$

IAS-8. Ans. (c) Volumetric strain = 2 x circumferential strain + longitudinal strain.

IAS-9. Ans. (c) Remember it.

IAS-10. Ans. (a)

IAS-11. Ans. (d) Hoop stress $(\sigma_t) = \frac{Pr}{t} = 200 \times 10^6 P_a$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volumetric strain } (e_v) &= \frac{Pr}{2Et} (5 - 4\mu) = \frac{\sigma_t}{2E} (5 - 4\mu) \\ &= \frac{200 \times 10^6}{2 \times 200 \times 10^9} (5 - 4 \times 0.25) = \frac{2}{1000} \end{aligned}$$

IAS-12. Ans. (b)

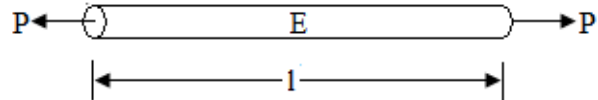
$$\sigma_x = \frac{P}{A}, \quad \sigma_y = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_z = 0$$

$$\text{or } \epsilon_x = \frac{\sigma_x}{E}, \quad \epsilon_y = -\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$$

$$\text{and } \epsilon_z = -\mu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$$

$$\text{or } \epsilon_v = \epsilon_x + \epsilon_y + \epsilon_z = \frac{\sigma_x}{E} (1 - 2\mu) = \frac{P}{AE} (1 - 2\mu)$$

$$\delta V = \epsilon_v \times V = \epsilon_v \cdot Al = \frac{Pl}{E} (1 - 2\mu)$$



IAS-13. Ans. (b) Volumetric strain $(\epsilon_v) = \frac{\text{Volume change } (\delta V)}{\text{Initial volume } (V)}$

$$\text{or } (\delta V) = \epsilon_v \times V = \frac{1}{5000} \times 25 \times 10 \times 5 = 0.25 \text{ cm}^3$$

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question GATE-1996

Question: A thin cylinder of 100 mm internal diameter and 5 mm thickness is subjected to an internal pressure of 10 MPa and a torque of 2000 Nm. Calculate the magnitudes of the principal stresses.

Answer: Given: $d = 100 \text{ mm} = 0.1 \text{ m}$; $t = 5 \text{ mm} = 0.005 \text{ m}$; $D = d + 2t = 0.1 + 2 \times 0.005 = 0.11 \text{ m}$ $p = 10 \text{ MPa}$, $10 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$; $T = 2000 \text{ Nm}$.

$$\text{Longitudinal stress, } \sigma_l = \sigma_x = \frac{pd}{4t} = \frac{10 \times 10^6 \times 0.1}{4 \times 0.005} = 50 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2 = 50 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Circumferential stress, } \sigma_c = \sigma_y = \frac{pd}{2t} = \frac{10 \times 10^6 \times 0.1}{2 \times 0.005} = 100 \text{ MPa}$$

To find the shear stress, using Torsional equation,

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R}, \text{ we have}$$

$$\tau = \tau_{xy} = \frac{TR}{J} = \frac{T \times R}{\frac{\pi}{32}(D^4 - d^4)} = \frac{2000 \times (0.05 + 0.005)}{\frac{\pi}{32}(0.11^4 - 0.1^4)} = 24.14 \text{ MPa}$$

Principal stresses are:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{1,2} &= \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + (\tau_{xy})^2} \\ &= \frac{50 + 100}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{50 - 100}{2}\right)^2 + (24.14)^2} \\ &= 75 \pm 34.75 = 109.75 \text{ and } 40.25 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_1 (\text{Major principal stress}) = 109.75 \text{ MPa};$$

$$\sigma_2 (\text{minor principal stress}) = 40.25 \text{ MPa};$$

Conventional Question IES-2008

Question: A thin cylindrical pressure vessel of inside radius 'r' and thickness of metal 't' is subject to an internal fluid pressure p. What are the values of

(i) Maximum normal stress?

(ii) Maximum shear stress?

Answer: Circumferential (Hoop) stress (s_c) = $\frac{p.r}{t}$ (s_{\max})

$$\text{Longitudinal stress } (s_l) = \frac{p.r}{2t}$$

$$\text{Therefore (ii) Maximum shear stress, } (t_{\max}) = \frac{s_c - s_l}{2} = \frac{p.r}{4t} \text{ (in Plane)}$$

$$\text{and Maximum shear stress, } (t_{\max}) = \frac{s_c}{2} = \frac{p.r}{2t} \text{ (Out of Plane)}$$

Conventional Question IES-1996

Question: A thin cylindrical vessel of internal diameter d and thickness t is closed at both ends is subjected to an internal pressure P . How much would be the hoop and longitudinal stress in the material?

Answer: For thin cylinder we know that

$$\text{Hoop or circumferential stress } (\sigma_c) = \frac{Pd}{2t}$$

$$\text{And longitudinal stress } (\sigma_l) = \frac{Pd}{4t}$$

$$\text{Therefore } \sigma_c = 2\sigma_l$$

Conventional Question IES-2009

Q. A cylindrical shell has the following dimensions:

Length = 3 m

Inside diameter = 1 m

Thickness of metal = 10 mm

Internal pressure = 1.5 MPa

Calculate the change in dimensions of the shell and the maximum intensity of shear stress induced. Take $E = 200$ GPa and Poisson's ratio $\nu = 0.3$ [15-Marks]

Ans. We can consider this as a thin cylinder.

$$\text{Hoop stresses, } \sigma_1 = \frac{1.5 \times 10^6 \times 1}{2 \times 10 \times 10^{-3}} = 0.75 \times 10^8 = 75 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Longitudinal stresses, } \sigma_2 = \frac{pd}{4t} = \frac{1.5 \times 10^6 \times 1}{4 \times 10 \times 10^{-3}} = 37.5 \times 10^6 = 37.5 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hoop strain } (\epsilon_1) &= \frac{1}{E}(\sigma_1 - \nu\sigma_2) = \frac{Pd}{4tE}(2 - \nu) \\ &= \frac{1.5 \times 10^6 \times 1}{4 \times 10 \times 10^{-3} \times 200 \times 10^9}(2 - 0.3) = 0.31875 \times 10^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Change in diameter, } \Delta d = \epsilon_c \times d = 1 \times 0.31875 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} = 0.31875 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{Logitudinal strain, } \epsilon_2 = \frac{pd}{4tE}(1 - 2\nu) = \frac{37.5 \times 10^6}{200 \times 10^9}(1 - 2 \times 0.3) = 7.5 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{Change in length, } \Delta l = 7.5 \times 10^{-5} \times 3 = 2.25 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m} = 0.225 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{Maximum shear stress, } \tau_{\max} = \frac{pd}{8t} = \frac{1.5 \times 10^6 \times 1}{8 \times 10 \times 10^{-3}} = 18.75 \text{ MPa (in-Plane)}$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{pd}{4t} = \frac{1.5 \times 10^6 \times 1}{4 \times 10 \times 10^{-3}} = 37.5 \text{ MPa (Out of Plane)}$$

Conventional Question IES-1998

Question: A thin cylinder with closed ends has an internal diameter of 50 mm and a wall thickness of 2.5 mm. It is subjected to an axial pull of 10 kN and a torque of 500 Nm while under an internal pressure of 6 MN/m²

(i) Determine the principal stresses in the tube and the maximum shear stress.

(ii) Represent the stress configuration on a square element taken in the load direction with direction and magnitude indicated; (schematic).

Answer: Given: $d = 50 \text{ mm} = 0.05 \text{ m}$ $D = d + 2t = 50 + 2 \times 2.5 = 55 \text{ mm} = 0.055 \text{ m}$;

Axial pull, $P = 10 \text{ kN}$; $T = 500 \text{ Nm}$; $p = 6 \text{ MPa}$

(i) Principal stresses ($\sigma_{1,2}$) in the tube and the maximum shear stress (τ_{\max})

$$\sigma_x = \frac{pd}{4t} + \frac{P}{\pi dt} = \frac{6 \times 10^6 \times 0.05}{4 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-3}} + \frac{10 \times 10^3}{\pi \times 0.05 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-3}} = 55.5 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_y = \frac{pd}{2t} = \frac{6 \times 10^6 \times 0.05}{2 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-3}} = 60 \text{ MPa}$$

Principal stresses are

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \left(\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \right) \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Use Torsional equation, $\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{R} \quad \text{--- (i)}$

$$\text{Polar moment of Inertia (J)} = \frac{\pi}{32} (D^4 - d^4) = \frac{\pi}{32} [(0.055)^4 - (0.05)^4] = 2.848 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^4$$

Substituting the values in (i), we get

$$\frac{500}{2.848 \times 10^{-7}} = \frac{\tau}{(0.055/2)}$$

$$\text{or } \tau = \frac{500 \times (0.055/2)}{2.848 \times 10^{-7}} = 48.28 \text{ MPa}$$

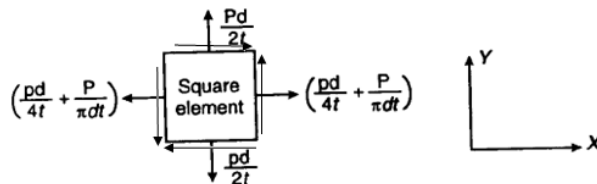
Now, substituting the various values in eqn. (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{1,2} &= \left(\frac{55.5 + 60}{2} \right) \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{55.5 - 60}{2} \right)^2 + (48.28)^2} \\ &= 106.08 \text{ MPa}, 9.42 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

Principal stresses are : $\sigma_1 = 106.08 \text{ MPa}$; $\sigma_2 = 9.42 \text{ MPa}$

$$\text{Maximum shear stress, } \tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1}{2} = \frac{106.08}{2} = 53.04 \text{ MPa (Out of Plane)}$$

(ii) Stress configuration on a square element



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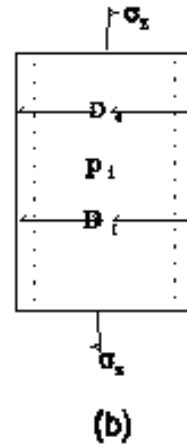
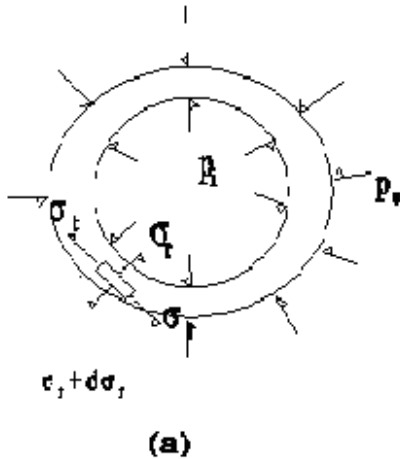
Thick Cylinder

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

1. Thick cylinder

$$\frac{\text{Inner dia of the cylinder } (d_i)}{\text{wall thickness } (t)} < 15 \text{ or } 20$$

2. General Expression



3. Difference between the analysis of stresses in thin & thick cylinders

- In thin cylinders, it is assumed that the tangential stress σ_t is uniformly distributed over the cylinder wall thickness.
- In thick cylinder, the tangential stress σ_t has the highest magnitude at the inner surface of the cylinder & gradually decreases towards the outer surface.
- The radial stress σ_r is neglected in thin cylinders while it is of significant magnitude in case of thick cylinders.

4. Strain

- Radial strain, $\epsilon_r = \frac{du}{dr}$.
- Circumferential /Tangential strain $\epsilon_t = \frac{u}{r}$
- Axial strain, $\epsilon_z = \frac{\sigma_z}{E} - \mu \left(\frac{\sigma_r}{E} + \frac{\sigma_t}{E} \right)$

5. Stress

- Axial stress, $\sigma_z = \frac{p_i r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$
- Radial stress, $\sigma_r = A - \frac{B}{r^2}$
- Circumferential /Tangential stress, $\sigma_t = A + \frac{B}{r^2}$

[**Note:** Radial stress always compressive so its magnitude always -ive. But in some books they assume that compressive radial stress is positive and they use, $\sigma_r = \frac{B}{r^2} - A$]

6. Boundary Conditions

$$\text{At } r = r_i, \quad \sigma_r = -p_i$$

$$\text{At } r = r_o \quad \sigma_r = -p_o$$

$$7. A = \frac{p_i r_i^2 - p_o r_o^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \quad \text{and} \quad B = (p_i - p_o) \frac{r_i^2 r_o^2}{(r_o^2 - r_i^2)}$$

8. Cylinders with internal pressure (p_i) i.e. p_o = 0

- $\sigma_z = \frac{p_i r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$
- $\sigma_r = -\frac{p_i r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[\frac{r_o^2}{r^2} - 1 \right]$ [-ive means compressive stress]
- $\sigma_t = +\frac{p_i r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[\frac{r_o^2}{r^2} + 1 \right]$

(a) At the inner surface of the cylinder

$$(i) \quad r = r_i$$

$$(ii) \quad \sigma_r = -p_i$$

$$(iii) \quad \sigma_t = +\frac{p_i (r_o^2 + r_i^2)}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$$

$$(iv) \quad \tau_{\max} = \frac{r_o^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \cdot p_i$$

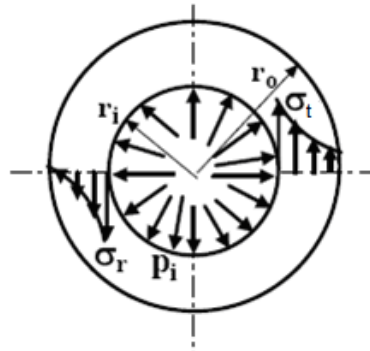
(b) At the outer surface of the cylinder

$$(i) \quad r = r_o$$

$$(ii) \quad \sigma_r = 0$$

$$(iii) \quad \sigma_t = \frac{2p_i r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$$

- (c) *Radial and circumferential stress distribution within the cylinder wall when only internal pressure acts.*



9. Cylinders with External Pressure (p_o) i.e. $p_i = 0$

- $\sigma_r = -\frac{p_o r_o^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[1 - \frac{r_i^2}{r^2} \right]$
- $\sigma_t = -\frac{p_o r_o^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[1 + \frac{r_i^2}{r^2} \right]$

(a) *At the inner surface of the cylinder*

(i) $r = r_i$

(ii) $\sigma_r = 0$

(iii) $\sigma_t = -\frac{2p_o r_o^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$

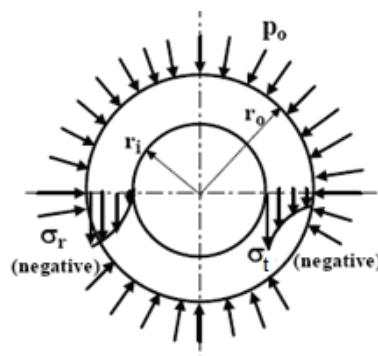
(b) *At the outer surface of the cylinder*

(i) $r = r_o$

(ii) $\sigma_r = -p_o$

(iii) $\sigma_t = -\frac{p_o(r_o^2 + r_i^2)}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$

- (c) *Distribution of radial and circumferential stresses within the cylinder wall when only external pressure acts*



10. Lamé's Equation [for Brittle Material, open or closed end]

There is a no of equations for the design of thick cylinders. The choice of equation depends upon two parameters.

- Cylinder Material (Whether brittle or ductile)
- Condition of Cylinder ends (open or closed)

When the material of the cylinder is brittle, such as cast iron or cast steel, *Lame's Equation* is used to determine the wall thickness. Condition of cylinder ends may open or closed.

It is based on maximum principal stress theory of failure.

There principal stresses at the inner surface of the cylinder are as follows: (i) (ii) & (iii)

$$(i) \sigma_r = -p_i$$

$$(ii) \sigma_t = + \frac{p_i(r_o^2 + r_i^2)}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$$

$$(iii) \sigma_z = + \frac{p_i r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$$

$$\bullet \quad \sigma_t > \sigma_z > \sigma_r$$

$$\bullet \quad \sigma_t \text{ is the criterion of design } \frac{r_o}{r_i} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_t + p_i}{\sigma_t - p_i}}$$

$$\bullet \quad \text{For } r_o = r_i + t$$

$$\bullet \quad t = r_i \times \left[\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_t + p_i}{\sigma_t - p_i}} - 1 \right] \text{ (Lame's Equation)}$$

$$\bullet \quad \sigma_t = \frac{\sigma_{ult}}{fos}$$

11. Clavarino's Equation [for cylinders with closed end & made of ductile material]

When the material of a cylinder is ductile, such as mild steel or alloy steel, maximum strain theory of failure is used (St. Venant's theory) is used.

Three principal stresses at the inner surface of the cylinder are as follows (i) (ii) & (iii)

$$(i) \sigma_r = -p_i$$

$$(ii) \sigma_t = + \frac{p_i(r_o^2 + r_i^2)}{(r_o^2 - r_i^2)}$$

$$(iii) \sigma_z = + \frac{p_i r_i^2}{(r_o^2 - r_i^2)}$$

$$\bullet \quad \epsilon_t = \frac{1}{E} \left[\sigma_t - (\sigma_r + \sigma_z) \right]$$

$$\bullet \quad \epsilon_t = \frac{\sigma}{E} = \frac{\sigma_{yld} / fos}{E}$$

$$\bullet \quad \text{Or } \sigma = \sigma_t - \mu(\sigma_r + \sigma_z). \text{ Where } \sigma = \frac{\sigma_{yld}}{fos}$$

$$\bullet \quad \sigma \text{ is the criterion of design}$$

$$\frac{r_o}{r_i} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma + (1-2\mu)p_i}{\sigma - (1+\mu)p_i}}$$

- For $r_o = r_i + t$

$$t = r_i \left[\sqrt{\frac{\sigma + (1-2\mu)p_i}{\sigma - (1+\mu)p_i}} - 1 \right] \quad (\text{Clavarion's Equation})$$

12. Birne's Equation [for cylinders with open end & made of ductile material]

When the material of a cylinder is ductile, such as mild steel or alloy steel, maximum strain theory of failure is used (St. Venant's theory) is used.

Three principal stresses at the *inner surface of the cylinder* are as follows (i) (ii) & (iii)

$$(i) \sigma_r = -p_i$$

$$(ii) \sigma_t = + \frac{p_i(r_o^2 + r_i^2)}{(r_o^2 - r_i^2)}$$

$$(iii) \sigma_z = 0$$

- $\sigma = \sigma_t - \mu\sigma_r$ where $\sigma = \frac{\sigma_{yld}}{fos}$
- σ is the criterion of design

$$\frac{r_o}{r_i} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma + (1-\mu)p_i}{\sigma - (1+\mu)p_i}}$$

- For $r_o = r_i + t$

$$t = r_i \times \left[\sqrt{\frac{\sigma + (1-\mu)p_i}{\sigma - (1+\mu)p_i}} - 1 \right] \quad (\text{Birnie's Equation})$$

13. Barlow's equation: [for high pressure gas pipe brittle or ductile material]

$$t = r_o \frac{p_i}{\sigma_t} \quad [\text{GAIL exam 2004}]$$

Where $\sigma_t = \frac{\sigma_y}{fos}$ for ductile material

$= \frac{\sigma_{ult}}{fos}$ for brittle material

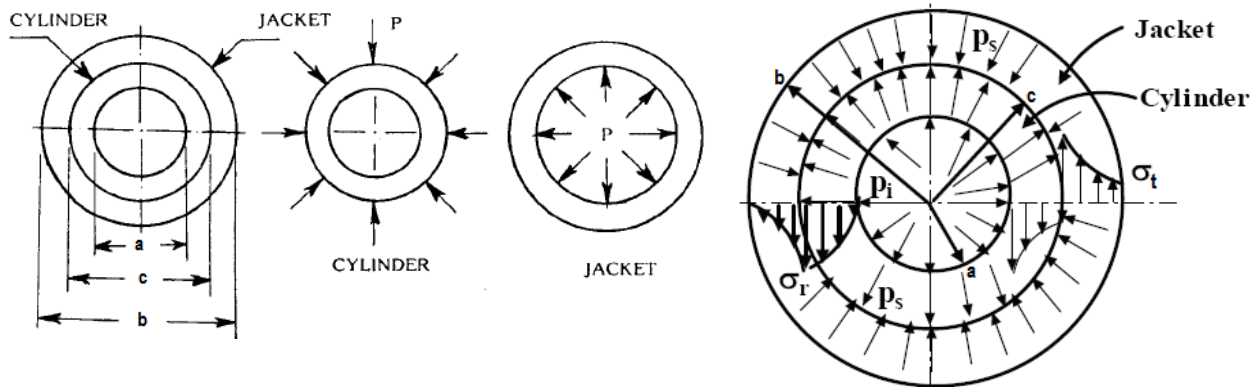
14. Compound Cylinder (A cylinder & A Jacket)

- When two cylindrical parts are assembled by shrinking or press-fitting, a contact pressure is created between the two parts. If the radii of the inner cylinder are a and c and that of the outer cylinder are $(c-d)$ and b , d being the radial interference the contact pressure is given by:

$$P = \frac{E\delta}{c} \left[\frac{(b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - a^2)}{2c^2(b^2 - a^2)} \right] \text{ Where E is the Young's modulus of the material}$$

- The inner diameter of the jacket is slightly smaller than the outer diameter of cylinder
- When the jacket is heated, it expands sufficiently to move over the cylinder
- As the jacket cools, it tends to contract onto the inner cylinder, which induces residual compressive stress.
- There is a shrinkage pressure 'P' between the cylinder and the jacket.
- The pressure 'P' tends to contract the cylinder and expand the jacket
- The shrinkage pressure 'P' can be evaluated from the above equation for a given amount of interference δ
- The resultant stresses in a compound cylinder are found by supervision losing the 2- stresses
 - stresses due to shrink fit
 - stresses due to internal pressure

Derivation:



Due to interference let us assume δ_j = increase in inner diameter of jacket and δ_c = decrease in outer diameter of cylinder.

so $\delta = |\delta_j| + |\delta_c|$ i.e. without sign.

Now $\delta_j = \epsilon_j c$ [ϵ_j = tangential strain]

$$= \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_t - \mu \sigma_r] c$$

$$= \frac{cP}{E} \left[\frac{b^2 + c^2}{b^2 - c^2} + \mu \right] \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \sigma_t = \text{circumferential stress} \\ + \frac{p(b^2 + c^2)}{(b^2 - c^2)} \\ \sigma_r = -p (\text{radial stress}) \end{array} \right]$$

And in similar way $\delta_c = \epsilon_c c = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_t - \mu \sigma_r] c$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \sigma_t = -\frac{p(c^2 + a^2)}{(c^2 - a^2)} \\ \sigma_r = -p \end{array} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{cP}{E} \left[\frac{c^2 + a^2}{c^2 - a^2} - \mu \right] \quad \text{--- (ii) Here -ive sign represents contraction}$$

Adding (i) & (ii)

$$\delta = |\delta_j| + |\delta_c| = \frac{Pc}{E} \frac{2c^2(b^2 - a^2)}{(b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - a^2)} \frac{1}{c} \quad \text{or} \quad P = \frac{E\delta}{c} \frac{(b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - a^2)}{2c^2(b^2 - a^2)}$$

15. Autofrettage

Autofrettage is a process of pre-stressing the cylinder before using it in operation.

We know that when the cylinder is subjected to internal pressure, the circumferential stress at the inner surface limits the pressure carrying capacity of the cylinder.

In autofrettage pre-stressing develops a residual compressive stresses at the inner surface. When the cylinder is actually loaded in operation, the residual compressive stresses at the inner surface begin to decrease, become zero and finally become tensile as the pressure is gradually increased. Thus autofrettage increases the pressure carrying capacity of the cylinder.

16. Rotating Disc

The radial & circumferential (tangential) stresses in a rotating disc of uniform thickness are given by

$$\sigma_r = \frac{\rho\omega^2}{8}(3+\mu)\left(R_0^2 + R_i^2 - \frac{R_0^2 R_i^2}{r^2} - r^2\right)$$

$$\sigma_t = \frac{\rho\omega^2}{8}(3+\mu)\left(R_0^2 + R_i^2 + \frac{R_0^2 R_i^2}{r^2} - \frac{1+3\mu}{3+\mu}r^2\right)$$

Where R_i = Internal radius

R_o = External radius

ρ = Density of the disc material

ω = Angular speed

μ = Poisson's ratio.

$$\text{Or, Hoop's stress, } \sigma_t = \left(\frac{3+\mu}{4}\right) \cdot \rho\omega^2 \cdot \left[R_0^2 + \left(\frac{1-\mu}{3+\mu}\right)R_i^2\right]$$

$$\text{Radial stress, } \sigma_r = \left(\frac{3+\mu}{8}\right) \cdot \rho\omega^2 [R_0^2 - R_i^2]$$

OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Lame's theory

- GATE-1.** A thick cylinder is subjected to an internal pressure of 60 MPa. If the hoop stress on the outer surface is 150 MPa, then the hoop stress on the internal surface is: [GATE-1996; IES-2001]
- (a) 105 MPa (b) 180 MPa (c) 210 MPa (d) 135 MPa

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Thick cylinder

- IES-1.** If a thick cylindrical shell is subjected to internal pressure, then hoop stress, radial stress and longitudinal stress at a point in the thickness will be: [IES-1999]
- (a) Tensile, compressive and compressive respectively
 (b) All compressive
 (c) All tensile
 (d) Tensile, compressive and tensile respectively
- IES-2.** Where does the maximum hoop stress in a thick cylinder under external pressure occur? [IES-2008]
- (a) At the outer surface (b) At the inner surface
 (c) At the mid-thickness (d) At the 2/3rd outer radius
- IES-3.** In a thick cylinder pressurized from inside, the hoop stress is maximum at [IES-1998]
- (a) The centre of the wall thickness (b) The outer radius
 (c) The inner radius (d) Both the inner and the outer radii
- IES-3a.** Consider the following statements for a thick-walled cylinder, subjected to an internal pressure: [IES-2016]
1. Hoop stress is maximum at the inside radius.
 2. Hoop stress is zero at the outside radius.
 3. Shear stress is maximum at the inside radius.
 4. Radial stress is uniform throughout the thickness of the wall.
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- (a) 1 and 4 (b) 1 and 3 (c) 2 and 3 (d) 2 and 4
- IES-4.** Consider the following statements:
1. In case of a thin spherical shell of diameter d and thickness t , subjected to internal pressure p , the principal stresses at any point equal $\frac{pd}{4t}$. [IES-2018]
 2. In case of thin cylinders, the hoop stress is determined assuming it to be uniform across the thickness of the cylinder.
 3. In thick cylinders, the hoop stress is not uniform across the thickness but it varies from a maximum value at the inner circumference to a minimum value at the outer circumference.
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only

(c) 2 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

IES-5. A thick-walled hollow cylinder having outside and inside radii of 90 mm and 40 mm respectively is subjected to an external pressure of 800 MN/m². The maximum circumferential stress in the cylinder will occur at a radius of

[IES-1998]

(a) 40 mm

(b) 60 mm

(c) 65 mm

(d) 90 mm

IES-6. In a thick cylinder, subjected to internal and external pressures, let r_1 and r_2 be the internal and external radii respectively. Let u be the radial displacement of a material element at radius r , $r_2 \geq r \geq r_1$. Identifying the cylinder axis as z axis, the radial strain component ϵ_r is:

[IES-1996]

(a) u/r (b) u/θ (c) du/dr (d) $du/d\theta$

Lame's theory

IES-7. A thick cylinder is subjected to an internal pressure of 60 MPa. If the hoop stress on the outer surface is 150 MPa, then the hoop stress on the internal surface is:

[GATE-1996; IES-2001]

(a) 105 MPa

(b) 180 MPa

(c) 210 MPa

(d) 135 MPa

IES-8. A hollow pressure vessel is subject to internal pressure. Consider the following statements:

[IES-2005]

1. Radial stress at inner radius is always zero.
2. Radial stress at outer radius is always zero.
3. The tangential stress is always higher than other stresses.
4. The tangential stress is always lower than other stresses.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

(a) 1 and 3

(b) 1 and 4

(c) 2 and 3

(d) 2 and 4

IES-9. A thick open ended cylinder as shown in the figure is made of a material with permissible normal and shear stresses 200 MPa and 100 MPa respectively. The ratio of permissible pressure based on the normal and shear stress is:

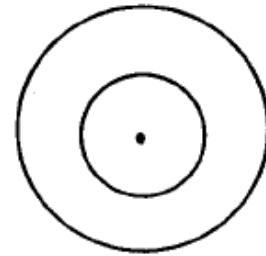
[$d_i = 10$ cm; $d_o = 20$ cm]

(a) 9/5

(b) 8/5

(c) 7/5

(d) 4/5



[IES-2002]

Longitudinal and shear stress

IES-10. A thick cylinder of internal radius and external radius a and b is subjected to internal pressure p as well as external pressure p . Which one of the following statements is correct?

[IES-2004]

The magnitude of circumferential stress developed is:

(a) Maximum at radius $r = a$ (b) Maximum at radius $r = b$ (c) Maximum at radius $r = \sqrt{ab}$

(d) Constant

IES-11. Consider the following statements:

[IES-2007]

In a thick walled cylindrical pressure vessel subjected to internal pressure, the tangential and radial stresses are:

1. Minimum at outer side

2. Minimum at inner side

3. Maximum at inner side and both reduce to zero at outer wall

4. Maximum at inner wall but the radial stress reduces to zero at outer wall

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 and 2

(b) 1 and 3

(c) 1 and 4

(d) 4 only

- IES-12. Consider the following statements at given point in the case of thick cylinder subjected to fluid pressure: [IES-2006]
1. Radial stress is compressive
 2. Hoop stress is tensile
 3. Hoop stress is compressive
 4. Longitudinal stress is tensile and it varies along the length
 5. Longitudinal stress is tensile and remains constant along the length of the cylinder

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only 1, 2 and 4 (b) Only 3 and 4 (c) Only 1,2 and 5 (d) Only 1,3 and 5
- IES-13. A thick cylinder with internal diameter d and outside diameter $2d$ is subjected to internal pressure p . Then the maximum hoop stress developed in the cylinder is: [IES-2003]
- (a) p (b) $\frac{2}{3}p$ (c) $\frac{5}{3}p$ (d) $2p$

Compound or shrunk cylinder

- IES-14. Autofrettage is a method of: [IES-1996; 2005; 2006]
- (a) Joining thick cylinders (b) Relieving stresses from thick cylinders
(c) Pre-stressing thick cylinders (d) Increasing the life of thick cylinders

- IES-15. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IES-2004]

List-I

- A. Wire winding
B. Lamé's theory
C. Solid sphere subjected to uniform pressure on the surface
D. Autofrettage

List-II

1. Hydrostatic stress
2. Strengthening of thin cylindrical shell
3. Strengthening of thick cylindrical shell
4. Thick cylinders

Coeds:	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
(a)	4	2	1	3	(b)	4	2	3
(c)	2	4	3	1	(d)	2	4	1

- IES-16. If the total radial interference between two cylinders forming a compound cylinder is δ and Young's modulus of the materials of the cylinders is E , then the interface pressure developed at the interface between two cylinders of the same material and same length is: [IES-2005]
- (a) Directly proportional of $E \times \delta$ (b) Inversely proportional of E/δ
(c) Directly proportional of E/δ (d) Inversely proportional of E/δ

- IES-17. A compound cylinder with inner radius 5 cm and outer radius 7 cm is made by shrinking one cylinder on to the other cylinder. The junction radius is 6 cm and the junction pressure is 11 kgf/cm². The maximum hoop stress developed in the inner cylinder is: [IES-1994]
- (a) 36 kgf/cm² compression (b) 36 kgf/cm² tension
(c) 72 kgf/cm² compression (d) 72 kgf/cm² tension.

- IES-17a. A steel hub of 100 mm internal diameter and uniform thickness of 10 mm was heated to a temperature of 300°C to shrink fit it on a shaft. On cooling, a crack developed parallel to the direction of the length of the hub. The cause of the failure is attributable to [IES-2016]
- (a) tensile hoop stress (b) tensile radial stress
(c) compressive hoop stress (d) compressive radial stress

Thick Spherical Shell

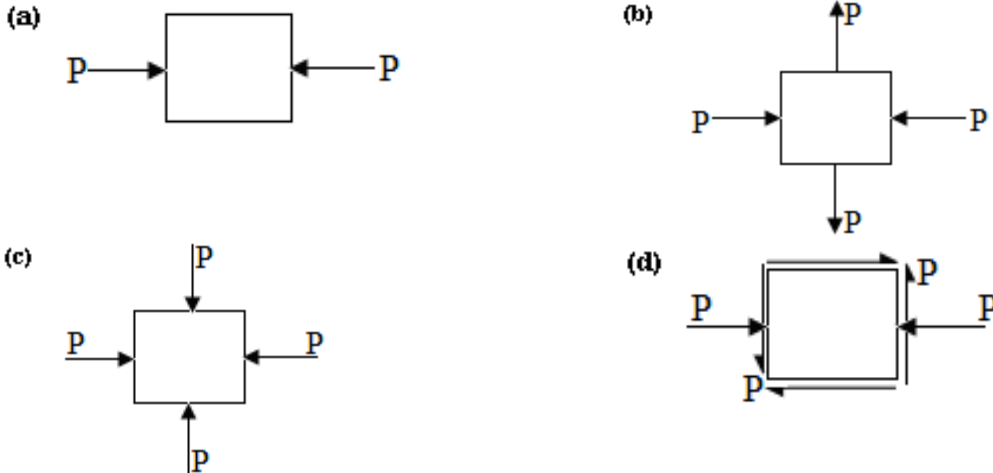
IES-18. The hemispherical end of a pressure vessel is fastened to the cylindrical portion of the pressure vessel with the help of gasket, bolts and lock nuts. The bolts are subjected to: [IES-2003]

- (a) Tensile stress (b) Compressive stress (c) Shear stress (d) Bearing stress

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Longitudinal and shear stress

IAS-1. A solid thick cylinder is subjected to an external hydrostatic pressure p . The state of stress in the material of the cylinder is represented as: [IAS-1995]



OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (c) If internal pressure = p_i ; External pressure = zero

$$\text{Circumferential or hoop stress } (\sigma_c) = \frac{p_i r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[\frac{r_o^2}{r^2} + 1 \right]$$

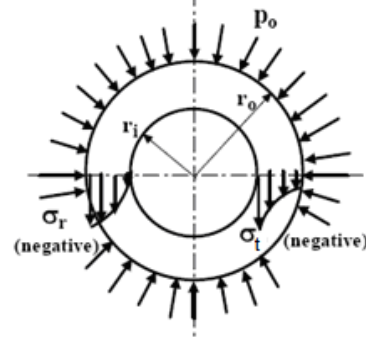
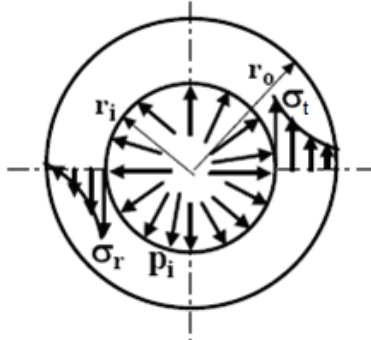
At $p_i = 60 \text{ MPa}$, $\sigma_c = 150 \text{ MPa}$ and $r = r_o$

$$\therefore 150 = 60 \frac{r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[\frac{r_o^2}{r_o^2} + 1 \right] = 120 \frac{r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \quad \text{or } \frac{r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} = \frac{150}{120} = \frac{5}{4} \quad \text{or } \left(\frac{r_o}{r_i} \right)^2 = \frac{9}{5}$$

\therefore at $r = r_i$

$$\sigma_c = 60 \frac{r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[\frac{r_o^2}{r_i^2} + 1 \right] = 60 \times \frac{5}{4} \times \left(\frac{9}{5} + 1 \right) = 210 \text{ MPa}$$

IES-1. Ans. (d) Hoop stress – tensile, radial stress – compressive and longitudinal stress – tensile.



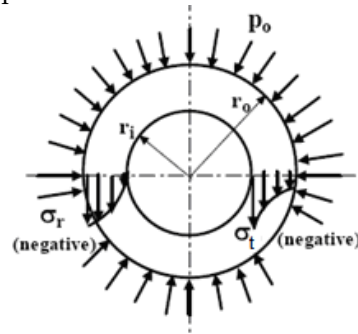
Radial and circumferential stress Distribution of radial and circumferential

distribution within the cylinder wall when only internal pressure acts.

stresses within the cylinder wall when only external pressure acts.

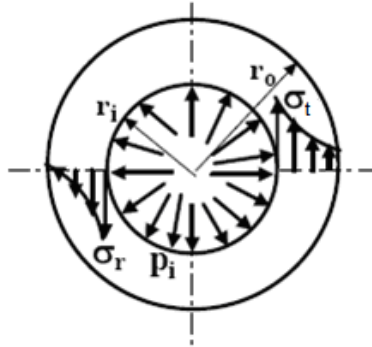
IES-2. Ans. (b)

Circumferential or hoop stress = σ_t



IES-3. Ans. (c)

IES-3a. Ans. (b)



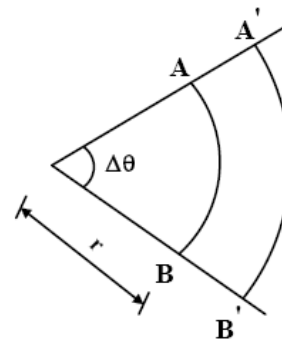
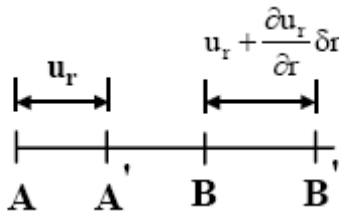
IES-4. Ans. (d)

IES-5. Ans. (a)

IES-6. Ans. (c) The strains ϵ_r and ϵ_θ may be given by

$$\epsilon_r = \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_r - \nu \sigma_\theta] \quad \text{since } \sigma_z = 0$$

$$\epsilon_\theta = \frac{(r + u_r) \Delta\theta - r \Delta\theta}{r \Delta\theta} = \frac{u_r}{r} = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_\theta - \nu \sigma_r]$$



Representation of radial and circumferential strain.

IES-7. Ans. (c) If internal pressure = p_i ; External pressure = zero

$$\text{Circumferential or hoop stress } (\sigma_c) = \frac{p_i r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[\frac{r_o^2}{r^2} + 1 \right]$$

At $p_i = 60 \text{ MPa}$, $\sigma_c = 150 \text{ MPa}$ and $r = r_o$

$$\therefore 150 = 60 \frac{r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[\frac{r_o^2}{r_o^2} + 1 \right] = 120 \frac{r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \quad \text{or } \frac{r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} = \frac{150}{120} = \frac{5}{4} \quad \text{or } \left(\frac{r_o}{r_i} \right)^2 = \frac{9}{5}$$

\therefore at $r = r_i$

$$\sigma_c = 60 \frac{r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} \left[\frac{r_o^2}{r_i^2} + 1 \right] = 60 \times \frac{5}{4} \times \left(\frac{9}{5} + 1 \right) = 210 \text{ MPa}$$

IES-8. Ans. (c)

IES-9. Ans. (b)

IES-10. Ans. (d)

$$\sigma_c = A + \frac{B}{r^2}$$

$$\therefore \sigma_c = -P$$

$$A = \frac{P_i r_i^2 - P_o r_o^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} = \frac{P a^2 - P b^2}{b^2 - a^2} = -P$$

$$B = \frac{(P_i - P_o) r_o^2 r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} = 0$$

IES-11. Ans. (c)

IES-12. Ans. (c) 3. For internal fluid pressure Hoop or circumferential stress is **tensile**.

4. Longitudinal stress is tensile and remains **constant** along the length of the cylinder.

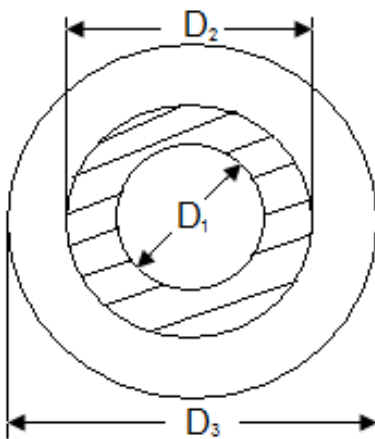
IES-13. Ans. (c) In thick cylinder, maximum hoop stress

$$\sigma_{hoop} = p \times \frac{r_2^2 + r_1^2}{r_2^2 - r_1^2} = p \times \frac{d^2 + \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2}{d^2 - \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{5}{3} p$$

IES-14. Ans. (c)

IES-15. Ans. (d)

IES-16. Ans. (a)



$$\delta = \frac{P D_2}{E} \left[\frac{2 D_2^2 (D_3^2 - D_1^2)}{(D_3^2 - D_2^2)(D_2^2 - D_1^2)} \right]$$

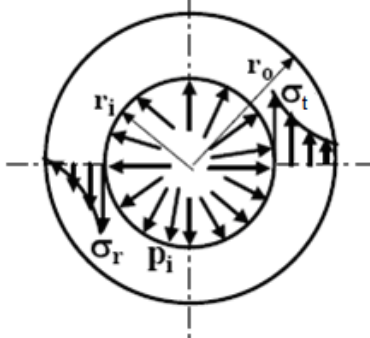
$$\therefore P \propto E \delta$$

Alternatively : if $E \uparrow$ then $P \uparrow$

and if $\delta \uparrow$ then $P \uparrow$ so $P \propto E \delta$

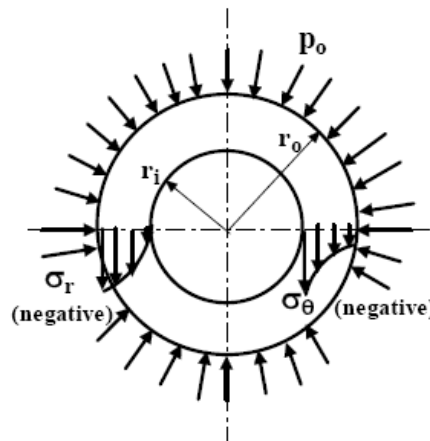
IES-17. Ans. (c)

IES-17a. Ans. (a)



IES-18. Ans. (a)

IAS-1. Ans. (c)



Distribution of radial and circumferential stresses within the cylinder wall when only external pressure acts.

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES-1997

Question: The pressure within the cylinder of a hydraulic press is 9 MPa. The inside diameter of the cylinder is 25 mm. Determine the thickness of the cylinder wall, if the permissible tensile stress is 18 N/mm²

Answer: Given: $P = 9 \text{ MPa} = 9 \text{ N/mm}^2$, Inside radius, $r_1 = 12.5 \text{ mm}$;

$$\sigma_t = 18 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Thickness of the cylinder:

Using the equation; $\sigma_t = p \left[\frac{r_2^2 + r_1^2}{r_2^2 - r_1^2} \right]$, we have

$$18 = 9 \left[\frac{r_2^2 + 12.5^2}{r_2^2 - 12.5^2} \right]$$

$$\text{or} \quad r_2 = 21.65 \text{ mm}$$

$$\therefore \text{Thickness of the cylinder} = r_2 - r_1 = 21.65 - 12.5 = 9.15 \text{ mm}$$

Conventional Question IES-2010

Q. A spherical shell of 150 mm internal diameter has to withstand an internal pressure of 30 MN/m². Calculate the thickness of the shell if the allowable stress is 80 MN/m².

Assume the stress distribution in the shell to follow the law

$$\sigma_r = a - \frac{2b}{r^3} \text{ and } \sigma_\theta = a + \frac{b}{r^3} \quad [10 \text{ Marks}]$$

Ans. A spherical shell of 150 mm internal diameter internal pressure = 30 MPa.
Allowable stress = 80 MN/m²

$$\text{Assume radial stress} = \sigma_r = a - \frac{2b}{r^3}$$

$$\text{Circumference stress} = \sigma_\theta = a + \frac{b}{r^3}$$

At internal diameter (r)

$$\sigma_r = -30 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\sigma_\theta = 80 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$-30 = a - \frac{2b}{(75)^3} \quad \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$80 = a + \frac{b}{(75)^3} \quad \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

Solving eqⁿ (i) & (ii)

$$b = \frac{110 \times 75^3}{3} \quad a = \frac{130}{3}$$

At outer Radius (R) radial stress should be zero

$$0 = a - \frac{2b}{R^3}$$

$$R^3 = \frac{2b}{a} = \frac{2 \times 110 \times 75^3}{3 \times \frac{130}{3}} = 713942.3077$$

$$R = 89.376 \text{ mm}$$

Therefore thickness of cylinder = (R - r)

$$= 89.376 - 75 = 14.376 \text{ mm}$$

Conventional Question IES-1993

Question: A thick spherical vessel of inner radius 150 mm is subjected to an internal pressure of 80 MPa. Calculate its wall thickness based upon the

(i) Maximum principal stress theory, and

(ii) Total strain energy theory.

Poisson's ratio = 0.30, yield strength = 300 MPa

Answer: Given:

$$r_1 = 150 \text{ mm}; p(\sigma_r) = 80 \text{ MPa} = 80 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2; \mu = \frac{1}{m} = 0.30;$$

$$\sigma = 300 \text{ MPa} = 300 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$$

Wall thickness t:

(i) Maximum principal stress theory:

$$\text{We know that, } \sigma_r \left(\frac{K^2 + 1}{K^2 - 1} \right) \leq \sigma \quad \left(\text{Where } K = \frac{r_2}{r_1} \right)$$

$$\text{or } 80 \times 10^6 \left(\frac{K^2 + 1}{K^2 - 1} \right) \leq 300 \times 10^6$$

$$\text{or } K \geq 1.314$$

$$\text{or } K = 1.314$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{r_2}{r_1} = 1.314 \text{ or } r_2 = r_1 \times 1.314 = 150 \times 1.314 = 197.1 \text{ mm}$$

$$\therefore \text{Metal thickness, } t = r_2 - r_1 = 197.1 - 150 = 47.1 \text{ mm}$$

(ii) Total strain energy theory:

$$\text{Use } \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - \mu \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \leq \sigma_y^2$$

$$\sigma^2 \geq \frac{2\sigma_r^2 [K^4(1+\mu) + (1-\mu)]}{(K^2-1)^2}$$

$$\therefore (300 \times 10^6)^2 \geq \frac{2 \times (80 \times 10^6)^2 [K^4(1+0.3) + (1-0.3)]}{(K^2-1)^2}$$

$$\text{or } 300^2 (K^2-1)^2 = 2 \times 80^2 (1.3K^4 + 0.7)$$

gives $K = 1.86$ or 0.59

It is clear that $K > 1$

$$\therefore K = 1.364$$

$$\text{or } \frac{r_2}{r_1} = 1.364 \text{ or } r_2 = 150 \times 1.364 = 204.6 \text{ mm}$$

$$\therefore t = r_2 - r_1 = 204.6 - 150 = 54.6 \text{ mm}$$

Conventional Question ESE-2002

Question: What is the difference in the analysis of thick tubes compared to that for thin tubes? State the basic equations describing stress distribution in a thick tube.

Answer: The difference in the analysis of stresses in thin and thick cylinder:

- In thin cylinder, it is assumed that the tangential stress is uniformly distributed over the cylinder wall thickness. In thick cylinder, the tangential stress has highest magnitude at the inner surface of the cylinder and gradually decreases towards the outer surface.
- The radial stress is neglected in thin cylinders, while it is of significant magnitude in case of thick cylinders.

Basic equation for describing stress distribution in thick tube is Lamé's equation.

$$\sigma_r = \frac{B}{r^2} - A \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_t = \frac{B}{r^2} + A$$

Conventional Question ESE-2006

Question: What is autofrettage?

How does it help in increasing the pressure carrying capacity of a thick cylinder?

Answer: Autofrettage is a process of pre-stressing the cylinder before using it in operation.

We know that when the cylinder is subjected to internal pressure, the circumferential stress at the inner surface limits the pressure carrying capacity of the cylinder.

In autofrettage pre-stressing develops a residual compressive stresses at the inner surface. When the cylinder is actually loaded in operation, the residual compressive stresses at the inner surface begin to decrease, become zero and finally become tensile as the pressure is gradually increased. Thus autofrettage increases the pressure carrying capacity of the cylinder.

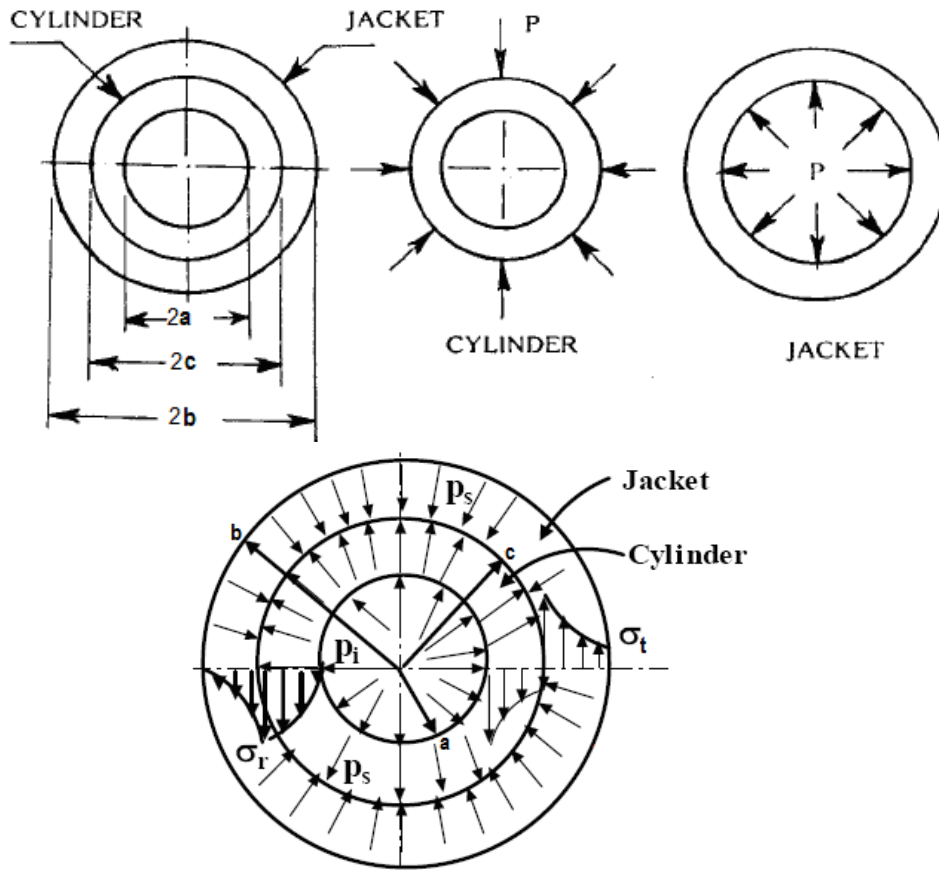
Conventional Question ESE-2001

Question: When two cylindrical parts are assembled by shrinking or press-fitting, a contact pressure is created between the two parts. If the radii of the inner cylinder are a and c and that of the outer cylinder are $(c - \delta)$ and b , δ being the radial interference the contact pressure is given by:

$$P = \frac{E\delta}{c} \left[\frac{(b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - a^2)}{2c^2(b^2 - a^2)} \right]$$

Where E is the Young's modulus of the material, Can you outline the steps involved in developing this important design equation?

Answer:



Due to interference let us assume δ_j = increase in inner diameter of jacket and δ_c = decrease in outer diameter of cylinder.

so $\delta = |\delta_j| + |\delta_c|$ i.e. without sign.

Now $\delta_j = \epsilon_j c$ [ϵ_j = tangential strain]

$$= \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_t - \mu \sigma_r] c$$

$$= \frac{cP}{E} \left[\frac{b^2 + c^2}{b^2 - c^2} + \mu \right] \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \sigma_t = \text{circumferential stress} \\ + \frac{p(b^2 + c^2)}{(b^2 - c^2)} \\ \sigma_r = -p (\text{radial stress}) \end{array} \right]$$

And in similar way $\delta_c = \epsilon_c c$

$$= \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_t - \mu \sigma_r] c \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \sigma_t = - \frac{p(c^2 + a^2)}{(c^2 - a^2)} \\ \sigma_r = -p \end{array} \right]$$

$$= - \frac{cP}{E} \left[\frac{c^2 + a^2}{c^2 - a^2} - \mu \right] \text{--- (ii) Here -ive sign represents contraction}$$

Adding (i) & (ii)

$$\therefore \delta = |\delta_j| + |\delta_c| = \frac{Pc}{E} \left[\frac{2c^2(b^2 - a^2)}{(b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - a^2)} \right]$$

$$\text{or } P = \frac{E\delta}{c} \left[\frac{(b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - a^2)}{2c^2(b^2 - a^2)} \right] \quad \text{Proved.}$$

Conventional Question ESE-2003

Question: A steel rod of diameter 50 mm is forced into a bronze casing of outside diameter 90 mm, producing a tensile hoop stress of 30 MPa at the outside diameter of the casing.

Find (i) The radial pressure between the rod and the casing

(ii) The shrinkage allowance and

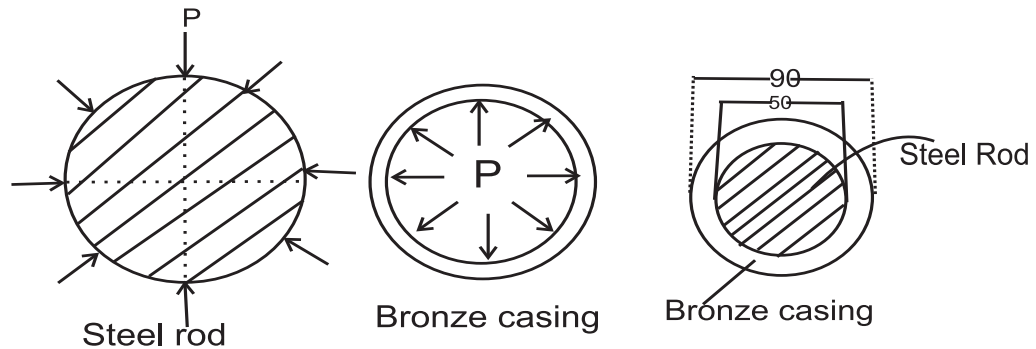
(iii) The rise in temperature which would just eliminate the force fit.

Assume the following material properties:

$$E_s = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ MPa}, \mu_s = 0.25, \alpha_s = 1.2 \times 10^{-5} / ^\circ \text{C}$$

$$E_b = 1 \times 10^5 \text{ MPa}, \mu_b = 0.3, \alpha_b = 1.9 \times 10^{-5} / ^\circ \text{C}$$

Answer:



There is a shrinkage pressure P between the steel rod and the bronze casing. The pressure P tends to contract the steel rod and expand the bronze casing.

(i) Consider Bronze casing, According to Lames theory

$$\sigma_r = \frac{B}{r^2} + A \quad \text{Where } A = \frac{P_i r_i^2 - P_o r_o^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$$

$$\text{and } B = \frac{(P_i - P_o) r_o^2 r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$$

$$P_i = P, \quad P_o = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$A = \frac{P r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}, \quad B = \frac{P r_o^2 r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} = \frac{2 P r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$$

$$\therefore 30 = \frac{B}{r_o^2} + A = \frac{P r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} + \frac{P r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2} = \frac{2 P r_i^2}{r_o^2 - r_i^2}$$

$$\text{or, } P = \frac{30(r_o^2 - r_i^2)}{2r_i^2} = 15 \left[\frac{r_o^2}{r_i^2} - 1 \right] = 15 \left[\left(\frac{90}{50} \right)^2 - 1 \right] \text{ MPa} = 33.6 \text{ MPa}$$

Therefore the radial pressure between the rod and the casing is $P = 33.6 \text{ MPa}$.

(ii) The shrinkage allowance:

Let δ_j = increase in inert diameter of bronze casing

δ_c = decrease in outer diameter of steel rod

1st consider bronze casing:

Tangential stress at the inner surface $(\sigma_t)_j = \frac{B}{r_i^2} + A$

$$= \frac{Pr_0^2}{r_0^2 - r_i^2} + \frac{Pr_i^2}{r_0^2 - r_i^2} = \frac{P(r_0^2 + r_i^2)}{(r_0^2 - r_i^2)} = 33.6 \times \left[\frac{\left(\frac{90}{50}\right)^2 + 1}{\left(\frac{90}{50}\right)^2 - 1} \right] = 63.6 \text{ MPa}$$

and radial stress $(\sigma_r)_j = -P = -33.6 \text{ MPa}$

longitudinal stress $(\sigma_l)_j = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore tangential strain } (\varepsilon_t)_j &= \frac{1}{E} [(\sigma_t)_j - \mu(\sigma_r)_j] \\ &= \frac{1}{1 \times 10^5} [63.6 + 0.3 \times 33.6] = 7.368 \times 10^{-4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \delta_j = (\varepsilon_t)_j \times d_i = 7.368 \times 10^{-4} \times 0.050 = 0.03684 \text{ mm}$$

2nd Consider steel rod:

Circumferential stress $(\sigma_t)_s = -P$

and radial stress $(\sigma_r)_s = -P$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \delta_c &= (\varepsilon_t)_s \times d_i = \frac{1}{E_s} [(\sigma_t)_s - \mu(\sigma_r)_s] \times d_i \\ &= -\frac{Pd_i}{E_s} (1 - \mu) = -\frac{33.6 \times 0.050}{2 \times 10^5} [1 - 0.25] = -0.0063 \text{ mm [reduction]} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Total shrinkage} = |\delta_j| + |\delta_c| = 0.04 \text{ mm [it is diametral]} = 0.02 \text{ mm [radial]}$$

(iii) Let us temperature rise is (Δt)

As $\alpha_b > \alpha_s$ due to same temperature rise steel not will expand less than bronze casing. When their difference of expansion will be equal to the shrinkage then force fit will eliminate.

$$\begin{aligned} d_i \times \alpha_b \times \Delta t - d_i \times \alpha_s \times \Delta t &= 0.04272 \\ \text{or } \Delta t &= \frac{0.04272}{d_i [\alpha_b - \alpha_s]} = \frac{0.04272}{50 \times [1.9 \times 10^{-5} - 1.2 \times 10^{-5}]} = 122^\circ \text{C} \end{aligned}$$

Conventional Question AMIE-1998

Question: A thick walled closed-end cylinder is made of an Al-alloy ($E = 72 \text{ GPa}$, $\frac{1}{m} = 0.33$), has inside diameter of 200 mm and outside diameter of 800 mm.

The cylinder is subjected to internal fluid pressure of 150 MPa. Determine the principal stresses and maximum shear stress at a point on the inside surface of the cylinder. Also determine the increase in inside diameter due to fluid pressure.

Answer: Given: $r_1 = \frac{200}{2} = 100 \text{ mm} = 0.1 \text{ m}$; $r_2 = \frac{800}{2} = 400 \text{ mm} = 0.4 \text{ m}$; $p = 150 \text{ MPa} = 150 \text{ MN/m}^2$;

$$E = 72 \text{ GPa} = 72 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2; \quad \frac{1}{m} = 0.33 = \mu$$

Principal stress and maximum shear stress:

Using the condition in Lamé's equation:

$$\sigma_r = \frac{b}{r^2} - a$$

$$\text{At } r = 0.1\text{m, } \sigma_2 = +p = 150\text{MN/m}^2$$

$$r = 0.4\text{m, } \sigma_2 = 0$$

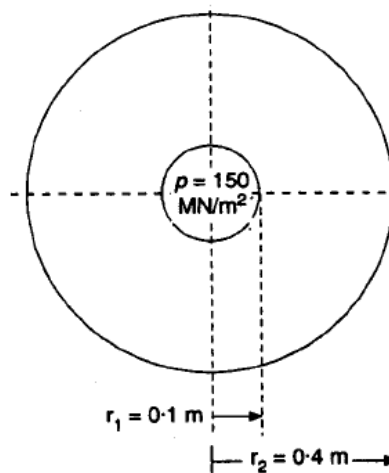
Substituting the values in the above equation we have

$$150 = \frac{b}{(0.1)^2} - a \quad \text{-----(i)}$$

$$0 = \frac{b}{(0.4)^2} - a \quad \text{-----(ii)}$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$a = 10 \quad \text{and} \quad b = 1.6$$



The circumferential (or hoop) stress by Lamé's equation, is given by

$$\sigma_c = \frac{b}{r^2} + a$$

$$\therefore (\sigma_c)_{\max}, \text{ at } r (= r_1) = 0.1\text{m} = \frac{1.6}{0.1^2} + 10 = 170\text{MN/m}^2 \text{ (tensile), and}$$

$$(\sigma_c)_{\min}, \text{ at } r (= r_2) = 0.4\text{m} = \frac{1.6}{0.4^2} + 10 = 20\text{MN/m}^2 \text{ (tensile).}$$

\therefore Principal stresses are 170 MN/m^2 and 20MN/m^2

12.

Spring

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

1. A spring is a mechanical device which is used for the efficient storage and release of energy.

2. Helical spring – stress equation

Let us a close-coiled helical spring has coil diameter D , wire diameter d and number of turn n . The spring material has a shearing modulus G . The spring index, $C = \frac{D}{d}$. If a force 'P' is exerted in both ends as shown.

The work done by the axial force 'P' is converted into strain energy and stored in the spring.

$$U = (\text{average torque}) \times (\text{angular displacement}) \\ = \frac{T}{2} \times \theta$$

From the figure we get, $\theta = \frac{TL}{GJ}$

$$\text{Torque (T)} = \frac{PD}{2}$$

$$\text{length of wire (L)} = \pi Dn$$

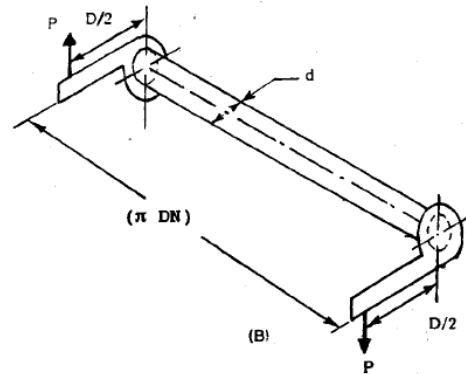
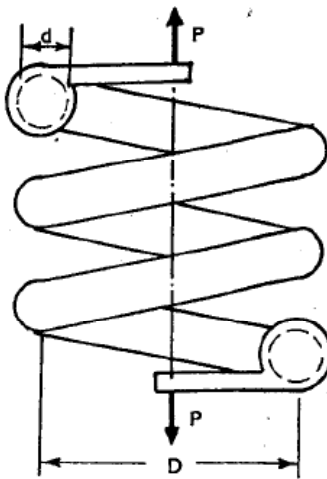
$$\text{Polar moment of Inertia (J)} = \frac{\pi d^4}{32}$$

$$\text{Therefore } U = \frac{4P^2 D^3 n}{Gd^4}$$

According to Castigliano's theorem, the displacement corresponding to force P is obtained by partially differentiating strain energy with respect to that force.

$$\text{Therefore } \delta = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P} = \frac{\partial}{\partial P} \left[\frac{4P^2 D^3 n}{Gd^4} \right] = \frac{8PD^3 n}{Gd^4}$$

Axial deflection



$$d = \frac{8PD^3n}{Gd^4}$$

Spring stiffness or spring constant

$$(k) = \frac{P}{d} = \frac{Gd^4}{8D^3n}$$

Compliance

The inverse of the spring constant K is called the compliance, $C = 1/K$

Stress in Spring

The torsional shear stress in the bar, $\tau_1 = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3} = \frac{16(PD/2)}{\pi d^3} = \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3}$

The direct shear stress in the bar, $\tau_2 = \frac{P}{\left(\frac{\pi d^2}{4}\right)} = \frac{4P}{\pi d^2} = \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3} \left(\frac{0.5d}{D}\right)$

Therefore the total shear stress, $\tau = \tau_1 + \tau_2 = \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3} \left(1 + \frac{0.5d}{D}\right) = K_s \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3}$

$$\tau = K_s \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3}$$

Where $K_s = 1 + \frac{0.5d}{D}$ is correction factor for direct shear stress.

3. Wahl's stress correction factor

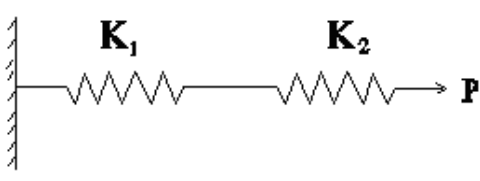
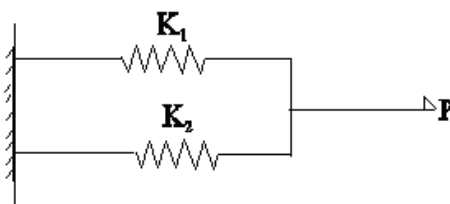
$$\tau = K \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3}$$

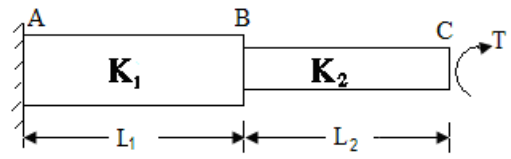
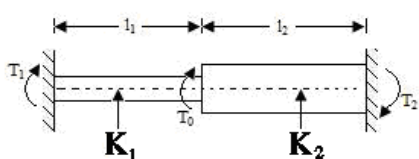
Where $K = \left(\frac{4C-1}{4C-4} + \frac{0.615}{C} \right)$ is known as Wahl's stress correction factor

Here $K = K_s K_c$; Where K_s is correction factor for direct shear stress and K_c is correction factor for stress concentration due to curvature.

Note: When the spring is subjected to a static force, the effect of stress concentration is neglected due to localized yielding. So we will use, $\tau = K_s \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3}$

4. Equivalent stiffness (k_{eq})

Spring in series ($\delta_e = \delta_1 + \delta_2$)	Spring in Parallel ($\delta_e = \delta_1 = \delta_2$)
	
$\frac{1}{K_{eq}} = \frac{1}{K_1} + \frac{1}{K_2} \quad \text{or} \quad K_{eq} = \frac{K_1 K_2}{K_1 + K_2}$	$K_{eq} = K_1 + K_2$

Shaft in series ($\theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2$)	Shaft in Parallel ($\theta_{eq} = \theta_1 = \theta_2$)
	
$\frac{1}{K_{eq}} = \frac{1}{K_1} + \frac{1}{K_2} \quad \text{or} \quad K_{eq} = \frac{K_1 K_2}{K_1 + K_2}$	$K_{eq} = K_1 + K_2$

5. Important note

- If a spring is cut into 'n' equal lengths then spring constant of each new spring = nk
- When a closed coiled spring is subjected to an axial couple M then the rotation,

$$\phi = \frac{64MDn_c}{Ed^4}$$

6. Laminated Leaf or Carriage Springs

- Central deflection, $\delta = \frac{3PL^3}{8Enbt^3}$
- Maximum bending stress, $\sigma_{max} = \frac{3PL}{2nbt^2}$

Where P = load on spring

b = width of each plate

n = no of plates

L = total length between 2 points

t = thickness of one plate.

7. Belleville Springs

$$\text{Load, } P = \frac{4E\delta}{(1-\mu^2)k_f D_o^2} \left[(h-\delta) \left(h - \frac{\delta}{2} \right) t + t^3 \right]$$

Where, E = Modulus of elasticity

δ = Linear deflection

μ = Poisson's Ratio

k_f = factor for Belleville spring

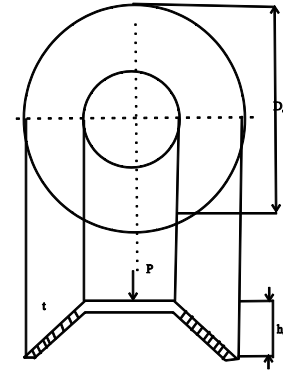
D_o = outside diameter

h = Deflection required to flatten Belleville spring

t = thickness

Note:

- **Total stiffness** of the springs k_{tot} = stiffness per spring \times No of springs
- **In a leaf spring** ratio of stress between full length and graduated leaves = 1.5
- **Conical spring**- For application requiring variable stiffness
- **Belleville Springs** -For application requiring high capacity springs into small space



OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Helical spring

GATE-1. If the wire diameter of a closed coil helical spring subjected to compressive load is increased from 1 cm to 2 cm, other parameters remaining same, then deflection will decrease by a factor of: [GATE-2002]
 (a) 16 (b) 8 (c) 4 (d) 2

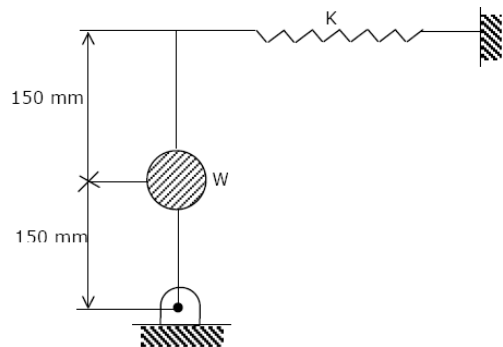
GATE-2. A compression spring is made of music wire of 2 mm diameter having a shear strength and shear modulus of 800 MPa and 80 GPa respectively. The mean coil diameter is 20 mm, free length is 40 mm and the number of active coils is 10. If the mean coil diameter is reduced to 10 mm, the stiffness of the spring is approximately [GATE-2008]
 (a) Decreased by 8 times (b) Decreased by 2 times
 (c) Increased by 2 times (d) Increased by 8 times

GATE-2a. If the wire diameter of a compressive helical spring is increased by 2%, the change in spring stiffness (in %) is (correct to two decimal places.) [GATE-2018]

GATE-2(i). The spring constant of a helical compression spring DOES NOT depends on [GATE-2016]
 (a) Coil diameter (b) Material strength
 (c) Number of active turns (d) Wire diameter

GATE-3. Two helical tensile springs of the same material and also having identical mean coil diameter and weight, have wire diameters d and $d/2$. The ratio of their stiffness is: [GATE-2001]
 (a) 1 (b) 4 (c) 64 (d) 128

GATE-4. A uniform stiff rod of length 300 mm and having a weight of 300 N is pivoted at one end and connected to a spring at the other end. For keeping the rod vertical in a stable position the minimum value of spring constant K needed is:
 (a) 300 N/m (b) 400 N/m
 (c) 500 N/m (d) 1000 N/m



[GATE-2004]

GATE-5. A weighing machine consists of a 2 kg pan resting on spring. In this condition, with the pan resting on the spring, the length of the spring is 200 mm. When a mass of 20 kg is placed on the pan, the length of the spring becomes 100 mm. For the spring, the un-deformed length l_0 and the spring constant k (stiffness) are: [GATE-2005]
 (a) $l_0 = 220$ mm, $k = 1862$ N/m (b) $l_0 = 210$ mm, $k = 1960$ N/m
 (c) $l_0 = 200$ mm, $k = 1960$ N/m (d) $l_0 = 200$ mm, $k = 2156$ N/m

Springs in Series

- GATE-6.** The deflection of a spring with 20 active turns under a load of 1000 N is 10 mm. The spring is made into two pieces each of 10 active coils and placed in parallel under the same load. The deflection of this system is: [GATE-1995]
 (a) 20 mm (b) 10 mm (c) 5 mm (d) 2.5 mm
- GATE-7.** A helical compression spring made of a wire of circular cross-section is subjected to a compressive load. The maximum shear stress induced in the cross-section of the wire is 24 MPa. For the same compressive load, if both the wire diameter and the mean coil diameter are doubled, the maximum shear stress (in MPa) induced in the cross-section of the wire is _____. [GATE-2017]

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Helical spring

- IES-1.** A helical coil spring with wire diameter 'd' and coil diameter 'D' is subjected to external load. A constant ratio of d and D has to be maintained, such that the extension of spring is independent of d and D. What is this ratio? [IES-2008]
 (a) D^3 / d^4 (b) d^3 / D^4 (c) $\frac{D^{4/3}}{d^3}$ (d) $\frac{d^{4/3}}{D^3}$
- IES-1(i).** If both the mean coil diameter and wire diameter of a helical compression or tension spring be doubled, then the deflection of the spring close coiled under same applied load will [IES-2012]
 (a) be doubled (b) be halved
 (c) increase four times (d) get reduced to one – fourth
- IES-2.** Assertion (A): Concentric cylindrical helical springs are used to have greater spring force in a limited space. [IES-2006]
 Reason (R): Concentric helical springs are wound in opposite directions to prevent locking of coils under heavy dynamic loading.
 (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true
- IES-3.** Assertion (A): Two concentric helical springs used to provide greater spring force are wound in opposite directions. [IES-1995; IAS-2004]
 Reason (R): The winding in opposite directions in the case of helical springs prevents buckling.
 (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true
- IES-4.** Which one of the following statements is correct? [IES-1996; 2007; IAS-1997]
 If a helical spring is halved in length, its spring stiffness
 (a) Remains same (b) Halves (c) Doubles (d) Triples
- IES-4(i).** A helical compression spring of stiffness k is cut into two pieces, each having equal number of turns and kept side by side under compression. The equivalent spring stiffness of this new arrangement is equal to [IES-2015, 2016]
 (a) 4k (b) 2k (c) k (d) 0.5k

- IES-4(ii). A closely coiled spring of 20 cm mean diameter is having 25 coils of 2 cm diameter. Modulus of rigidity of the material is 10^7 N/cm^2 . Stiffness of spring is:
 (a) 50 N/cm (b) 250 N/cm (c) 100 N/cm (d) 500 N/cm [IES-2013]
- IES-5. A body having weight of 1000 N is dropped from a height of 10 cm over a close-coiled helical spring of stiffness 200 N/cm. The resulting deflection of spring is nearly [IES-2001]
 (a) 5 cm (b) 16 cm (c) 35 cm (d) 100 cm
- IES-5(i). A closed coil helical spring having 10 active turns is made of 8 mm diameter steel wire. The mean coil diameter is 10 cm. If $G = 80 \text{ GPa}$ for the material of the spring, the extension of the spring under the tensile load of 200 N will be
 (a) 40 mm (b) 45 mm (c) 49 mm (d) 53 mm [IES-2014]
- IES-6. A close-coiled helical spring is made of 5 mm diameter wire coiled to 50 mm mean diameter. Maximum shear stress in the spring under the action of an axial force is 20 N/mm^2 . The maximum shear stress in a spring made of 3 mm diameter wire coiled to 30 mm mean diameter, under the action of the same force will be nearly [IES-2001]
 (a) 20 N/mm^2 (b) 33.3 N/mm^2 (c) 55.6 N/mm^2 (d) 92.6 N/mm^2
- IES-6a. A closely-coiled helical spring is made of 10 mm diameter steel wire, with the coil consisting of 10 turns with a mean diameter 120 mm. The spring carries an axial pull of 200 N. What is the value of shear stress induced in the spring neglecting the effect of stress concentration and of deflection in the spring, when the modulus of rigidity is 80 kN/mm^2 ? [IES-2016]
 (a) 63.5 N/mm^2 and 34.6 mm (b) 54.2 N/mm^2 and 34.6 mm
 (c) 63.5 N/mm^2 and 42.6 mm (d) 54.2 N/mm^2 and 42.6 mm
- IES-7. A closely-coiled helical spring is acted upon by an axial force. The maximum shear stress developed in the spring is t . Half of the length of the spring is cut off and the remaining spring is acted upon by the same axial force. The maximum shear stress in the spring the new condition will be: [IES-1995]
 (a) $\frac{1}{2} t$ (b) t (c) $2 t$ (d) $4 t$
- IES-8. The maximum shear stress occurs on the outermost fibers of a circular shaft under torsion. In a close coiled helical spring, the maximum shear stress occurs on the [IES-1999]
 (a) Outermost fibres (b) Fibres at mean diameter (c) Innermost fibres (d) End coils
- IES-9. A helical spring has N turns of coil of diameter D , and a second spring, made of same wire diameter and of same material, has $N/2$ turns of coil of diameter $2D$. If the stiffness of the first spring is k , then the stiffness of the second spring will be: [IES-1999]
 (a) $k/4$ (b) $k/2$ (c) $2k$ (d) $4k$
- IES-10. A closed-coil helical spring is subjected to a torque about its axis. The spring wire would experience a [IES-1996; 1998]
 (a) Bending stress
 (b) Direct tensile stress of uniform intensity at its cross-section
 (c) Direct shear stress
 (d) Torsional shearing stress
- IES-11. Given that: [IES-1996]
 d = diameter of spring, R = mean radius of coils, n = number of coils and G = modulus of rigidity, the stiffness of the close-coiled helical spring subject to an axial load W is equal to
 (a) $\frac{Gd^4}{64R^3n}$ (b) $\frac{Gd^3}{64R^3n}$ (c) $\frac{Gd^4}{32R^3n}$ (d) $\frac{Gd^4}{64R^2n}$

- IES-12. A closely coiled helical spring of 20 cm mean diameter is having 25 coils of 2 cm diameter rod. The modulus of rigidity of the material is 10^7 N/cm². What is the stiffness for the spring in N/cm? [IES-2004]
 (a) 50 (b) 100 (c) 250 (d) 500
- IES-13. Which one of the following expresses the stress factor K used for design of closed coiled helical spring? [IES-2008]
 (a) $\frac{4C-4}{4C-1}$ (b) $\frac{4C-1}{4C-4} + \frac{0.615}{C}$ (c) $\frac{4C-4}{4C-1} + \frac{0.615}{C}$ (d) $\frac{4C-1}{4C-4}$
 Where C = spring index
- IES-14. In the calculation of induced shear stress in helical springs, the Wahl's correction factor is used to take care of [IES-1995; 1997]
 (a) Combined effect of transverse shear stress and bending stresses in the wire.
 (b) Combined effect of bending stress and curvature of the wire.
 (c) Combined effect of transverse shear stress and curvature of the wire.
 (d) Combined effect of torsional shear stress and transverse shear stress in the wire.
- IES-15. While calculating the stress induced in a closed coil helical spring, Wahl's factor must be considered to account for [IES-2002]
 (a) The curvature and stress concentration effect (b) Shock loading
 (c) Poor service conditions (d) Fatigue loading
- IES-16. Cracks in helical springs used in Railway carriages usually start on the inner side of the coil because of the fact that [IES-1994]
 (a) It is subjected to the higher stress than the outer side.
 (b) It is subjected to a higher cyclic loading than the outer side.
 (c) It is more stretched than the outer side during the manufacturing process.
 (d) It has a lower curvature than the outer side.
- IES-17. Two helical springs of the same material and of equal circular cross-section and length and number of turns, but having radii 20 mm and 40 mm, kept concentrically (smaller radius spring within the larger radius spring), are compressed between two parallel planes with a load P. The inner spring will carry a load equal to [IES-1994]
 (a) P/2 (b) 2P/3 (c) P/9 (d) 8P/9
- IES-18. A length of 10 mm diameter steel wire is coiled to a close coiled helical spring having 8 coils of 75 mm mean diameter, and the spring has a stiffness K. If the same length of wire is coiled to 10 coils of 60 mm mean diameter, then the spring stiffness will be: [IES-1993]
 (a) K (b) 1.25 K (c) 1.56 K (d) 1.95 K
- IES-18a. Two equal lengths of steel wires of the same diameter are made into two springs S1 and S2 of mean diameters 75 mm and 60 mm respectively. The stiffness ratio of S1 to S2 is [IES-2011]
 (a) $\left(\frac{60}{75}\right)^2$ (b) $\left(\frac{60}{75}\right)^3$ (c) $\left(\frac{75}{60}\right)^2$ (d) $\left(\frac{75}{60}\right)^3$
- IES-19. A spring with 25 active coils cannot be accommodated within a given space. Hence 5 coils of the spring are cut. What is the stiffness of the new spring? [IES-2004, 2012]
 (a) Same as the original spring (b) 1.25 times the original spring
 (c) 0.8 times the original spring (d) 0.5 times the original spring
- IES-20. Wire diameter, mean coil diameter and number of turns of a closely-coiled steel spring are d, D and N respectively and stiffness of the spring is K. A second spring is made of same steel but with wire diameter, mean coil diameter and number of turns 2d, 2D and 2N respectively. The stiffness of the new spring is: [IES-1998; 2001]
 (a) K (b) 2K (c) 4K (d) 8K

- IES-21.** When two springs of equal lengths are arranged to form cluster springs which of the following statements are the: [IES-1992]
1. Angle of twist in both the springs will be equal
 2. Deflection of both the springs will be equal
 3. Load taken by each spring will be half the total load
 4. Shear stress in each spring will be equal
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only (c) 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2 and 4 only
- IES-22.** Consider the following statements: [IES-2009]
- When two springs of equal lengths are arranged to form a cluster spring
1. Angle of twist in both the springs will be equal
 2. Deflection of both the springs will be equal
 3. Load taken by each spring will be half the total load
 4. Shear stress in each spring will be equal
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 (b) 3 and 4 (c) 2 only (d) 4 only
- IES-22(i).** The compliance of the spring is the: [IES-2013]
- (a) Reciprocal of the spring constant
 - (b) Deflection of the spring under compressive load
 - (c) Force required to produce a unit elongation of the spring
 - (d) Square of the stiffness of the spring
- IES-22(ii).** A bumper consisting of two helical springs of circular section brings to rest a railway wagon of mass 1500 kg and moving at 1 m/s. While doing so, the springs are compressed by 150 mm. Then, the maximum force on each spring (assuming gradually increasing load) is: [IES-2013]
- (a) 2500 N (b) 5000 N (c) 7500 N (d) 3000 N

Close-coiled helical spring with axial load

- IES-23.** Under axial load, each section of a close-coiled helical spring is subjected to [IES-2003]
- (a) Tensile stress and shear stress due to load
 - (b) Compressive stress and shear stress due to torque
 - (c) Tensile stress and shear stress due to torque
 - (d) Torsional and direct shear stresses
- IES-24.** When a weight of 100 N falls on a spring of stiffness 1 kN/m from a height of 2 m, the deflection caused in the first fall is: [IES-2000]
- (a) Equal to 0.1 m
 - (b) Between 0.1 and 0.2 m
 - (c) Equal to 0.2 m
 - (d) More than 0.2 m

Subjected to 'Axial twist'

- IES-25.** A closed coil helical spring of mean coil diameter 'D' and made from a wire of diameter 'd' is subjected to a torque 'T' about the axis of the spring. What is the maximum stress developed in the spring wire? [IES-2008]
- (a) $\frac{8T}{\pi d^3}$ (b) $\frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$ (c) $\frac{32T}{\pi d^3}$ (d) $\frac{64T}{\pi d^3}$

Springs in Series

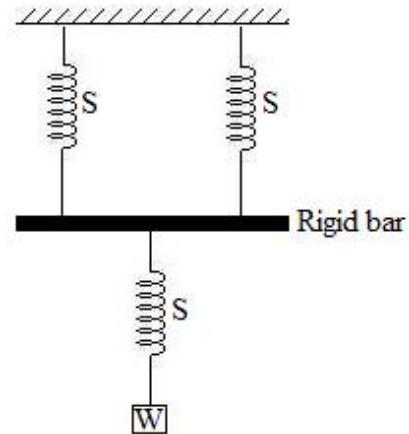
- IES-26.** When a helical compression spring is cut into two equal halves, the stiffness of each of the result in springs will be: [IES-2002; IAS-2002]
- (a) Unaltered (b) Double (c) One-half (d) One-fourth

- IES-27. If a compression coil spring is cut into two equal parts and the parts are then used in parallel, the ratio of the spring rate to its initial value will be: [IES-1999]
 (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 4 (d) Indeterminable for want of sufficient data

Springs in Parallel

- IES-28. The equivalent spring stiffness for the system shown in the given figure (S is the spring stiffness of each of the three springs) is:

(a) $S/2$ (b) $S/3$
 (c) $2S/3$ (d) S



[IES-1997; IAS-2001]

- IES-29. Two coiled springs, each having stiffness K , are placed in parallel. The stiffness of the combination will be: [IES-2000]

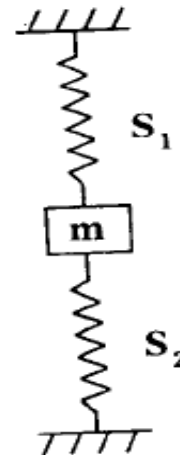
(a) $4K$ (b) $2K$ (c) $\frac{K}{2}$ (d) $\frac{K}{4}$

- IES-30. A mass is suspended at the bottom of two springs in series having stiffness 10 N/mm and 5 N/mm . The equivalent spring stiffness of the two springs is nearly [IES-2000]

(a) 0.3 N/mm (b) 3.3 N/mm (c) 5 N/mm (d) 15 N/mm

- IES-31. Figure given above shows a spring-mass system where the mass m is fixed in between two springs of stiffness S_1 and S_2 . What is the equivalent spring stiffness?

(a) $S_1 - S_2$ (b) $S_1 + S_2$
 (c) $(S_1 + S_2) / S_1 S_2$ (d) $(S_1 - S_2) / S_1 S_2$



[IES-2005]

- IES-32. Two identical springs labelled as 1 and 2 are arranged in series and subjected to force F as shown in the given figure.



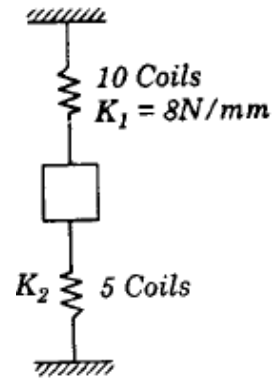
Assume that each spring constant is K . The strain energy stored in spring 1 is:

[IES-2001]

(a) $\frac{F^2}{2K}$ (b) $\frac{F^2}{4K}$ (c) $\frac{F^2}{8K}$ (d) $\frac{F^2}{16K}$

IES-33. What is the equivalent stiffness (i.e. spring constant) of the system shown in the given figure?

- (a) 24 N/mm (b) 16 N/mm
(c) 4 N/mm (d) 5.3 N/mm



[IES-1997]

IES-33a. A helical spring of 10 N/mm rating is mounted on top of another helical spring of 8 N/mm rating. The force required for a total combined deflection of 45 mm through the two springs is [IES-2016]

- (a) 100 N (b) 150 N (c) 200 N (d) 250 N

IES-34. Two concentric springs, having same number of turns and free axial length, are made of same material. One spring has a mean coil diameter of 12 cm and its wire diameter is of 1.0 cm. the other one has a mean coil diameter of 8 cm and its wire diameter is of 0.6 cm. If the set of spring is compressed by a load of 2000 N, the loads shared by the springs will be, [IES-2014]

- (a) 1245.5 N and 754.5 N (b) 1391.4 N and 608.6 N
(c) 1100 N and 900 N (d) 1472.8 N and 527.2 N

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Helical spring

IAS-1. Assertion (A): Concentric cylindrical helical springs which are used to have greater spring force in a limited space is wound in opposite directions. Reason (R): Winding in opposite directions prevents locking of the two coils in case of misalignment or buckling. [IAS-1996]

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

IAS-2. An open-coiled helical spring of mean diameter D , number of coils N and wire diameter d is subjected to an axial force P . The wire of the spring is subject to: [IAS-1995]

- (a) direct shear only (b) combined shear and bending only
(c) combined shear, bending and twisting (d) combined shear and twisting only

IAS-3. Assertion (A): Two concentric helical springs used to provide greater spring force are wound in opposite directions. [IES-1995; IAS-2004] Reason (R): The winding in opposite directions in the case of helical springs prevents buckling.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

IAS-4. Which one of the following statements is correct? [IES-1996; 2007; IAS-1997] If a helical spring is halved in length, its spring stiffness

- (a) Remains same (b) Halves (c) Doubles (d) Triples

- IAS-5.** A closed coil helical spring has 15 coils. If five coils of this spring are removed by cutting, the stiffness of the modified spring will: [IAS-2004]
 (a) Increase to 2.5 times (b) Increase to 1.5 times
 (c) Reduce to 0.66 times (d) Remain unaffected
- IAS-6.** A close-coiled helical spring has wire diameter 10 mm and spring index 5. If the spring contains 10 turns, then the length of the spring wire would be: [IAS-2000]
 (a) 100 mm (b) 157 mm (c) 500 mm (d) 1570 mm
- IAS-7.** Consider the following types of stresses: [IAS-1996]
 1. torsional shear 2. Transverse direct shear 3. Bending stress
 The stresses, that are produced in the wire of a close-coiled helical spring subjected to an axial load, would include
 (a) 1 and 3 (b) 1 and 2 (c) 2 and 3 (d) 1, 2 and 3
- IAS-8.** Two close-coiled springs are subjected to the same axial force. If the second spring has four times the coil diameter, double the wire diameter and double the number of coils of the first spring, then the ratio of deflection of the second spring to that of the first will be: [IAS-1998]
 (a) 8 (b) 2 (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{16}$
- IAS-9.** A block of weight 2 N falls from a height of 1m on the top of a spring. If the spring gets compressed by 0.1 m to bring the weight momentarily to rest, then the spring constant would be: [IAS-2000]
 (a) 50 N/m (b) 100 N/m (c) 200N/m (d) 400N/m
- IAS-10.** The springs of a chest expander are 60 cm long when unstretched. Their stiffness is 10 N/mm. The work done in stretching them to 100 cm is: [IAS-1996]
 (a) 600 Nm (b) 800 Nm (c) 1000 Nm (d) 1600 Nm
- IAS-11.** A spring of stiffness 'k' is extended from a displacement x_1 to a displacement x_2 the work done by the spring is: [IAS-1999]
 (a) $\frac{1}{2} k x_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} k x_2^2$ (b) $\frac{1}{2} k (x_1 - x_2)^2$ (c) $\frac{1}{2} k (x_1 + x_2)^2$ (d) $k \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} \right)^2$
- IAS-12.** A spring of stiffness 1000 N/m is stretched initially by 10 cm from the undeformed position. The work required to stretch it by another 10 cm is: [IAS-1995]
 (a) 5 Nm (b) 7 Nm (c) 10 Nm (d) 15 Nm.

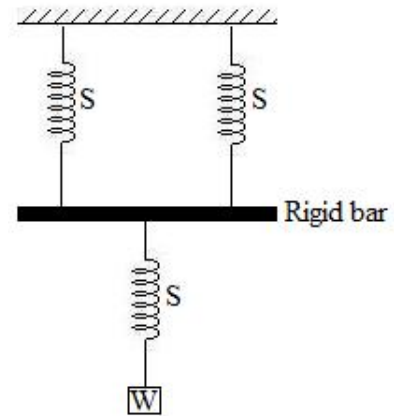
Springs in Series

- IAS-13.** When a helical compression spring is cut into two equal halves, the stiffness of each of the result in springs will be: [IES-2002; IAS-2002]
 (a) Unaltered (b) Double (c) One-half (d) One-fourth
- IAS-14.** The length of the chest-expander spring when it is un-stretched, is 0.6 m and its stiffness is 10 N/mm. The work done in stretching it to 1m will be: [IAS-2001]
 (a) 800 J (b) 1600 J (c) 3200 J (d) 6400 J

Springs in Parallel

IAS-15. The equivalent spring stiffness for the system shown in the given figure (S is the spring stiffness of each of the three springs) is:

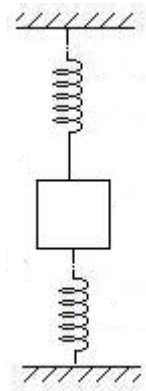
- (a) $S/2$ (b) $S/3$
(c) $2S/3$ (d) S



[IES-1997; IAS-2001]

IAS-16. Two identical springs, each of stiffness K , are assembled as shown in the given figure. The combined stiffness of the assembly is:

- (a) K^2 (b) $2K$
(c) K (d) $(1/2)K$



[IAS-1998]

Flat spiral Spring

IAS-17. Match List-I (Type of spring) with List-II (Application) and select the correct answer: [IAS-2000]

List-I

- A. Leaf/Helical springs
B. Spiral springs
C. Belleville springs

Codes:	A	B	C
(a)	1	2	3
(c)	3	1	2

List-II

1. Automobiles/Railways coaches
2. Shearing machines
3. Watches

	A	B	C
(b)	1	3	2
(d)	2	3	1

Semi-elliptical spring

IAS-18. The ends of the leaves of a semi-elliptical leaf spring are made triangular in plain in order to: [IAS 1994]

- (a) Obtain variable I in each leaf
(b) Permit each leaf to act as a overhanging beam
(c) Have variable bending moment in each leaf
(d) Make M constant throughout the length of the leaf.

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (a) $\delta = \frac{8PD^3N}{Gd^4}$

GATE-2. Ans. (d) Spring constant (K) $= \frac{P}{\delta} = \frac{G.d^4}{8D^3N}$ or $K \propto \frac{1}{D^3}$

$$\frac{K_2}{K_1} = \left(\frac{D_1}{D_2} \right)^3 = \left(\frac{20}{10} \right)^3 = 8$$

GATE-2a. Ans. (8.243) Stiffness of helical spring

$$k = \frac{Gd^4}{8D^3n}$$

$$\frac{k_2}{k_1} = \left(\frac{d_2}{d_1} \right)^4 \text{ or } \frac{k_2}{k_1} = \left(\frac{1.02d_1}{d_1} \right)^4$$

$$\% \text{ increase in stiffness} = \frac{k_2 - k_1}{k_1} \times 100\% = 8.243\%$$

GATE-2(i). Ans. (b) Spring Constant (k) $= \frac{Gd^4}{8D^3n}$

G is modulus of Rigidity. It is not strength of material. It is elastic constant.

GATE-3. Ans. (c) Spring constant (K) $= \frac{P}{\delta} = \frac{G.d^4}{8D^3N}$ Therefore $k \propto \frac{d^4}{n}$

GATE-4. Ans. (c) Inclined it to a very low angle, $d\theta$

For equilibrium taking moment about 'hinge'

$$W \times \left(\frac{l}{2} d\theta \right) - k(l d\theta) \times l = 0 \text{ or } k = \frac{W}{2l} = \frac{300}{2 \times 0.3} = 500 \text{ N/m}$$

GATE-5. Ans. (b) Initial length = l_0 m and stiffness = k N/m

$$2 \times g = k(l_0 - 0.2)$$

$$2 \times g + 20 \times g = k(l_0 - 0.1)$$

Just solve the above equations.

GATE-6. Ans. (d) When a spring is cut into two, no. of coils gets halved.

\therefore Stiffness of each half gets doubled.

When these are connected in parallel, stiffness = $2k + 2k = 4k$

Therefore deflection will be $\frac{1}{4}$ times. = 2.5 mm

GATE-7. Ans. 6

IES-1. Ans. (a) $\delta = \frac{8PD^3N}{Gd^4}$

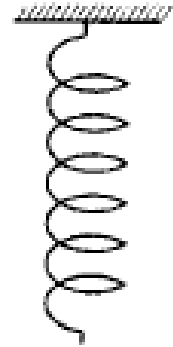
$$T = F \times \frac{D}{2}; \quad U = \frac{1}{2} T\theta$$

$$T = \frac{FD}{2}; \quad \theta = \frac{TL}{GJ}$$

$$L = \pi DN$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{FD}{2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{L}{GJ} \right) = \frac{4F^2 D^3 N}{Gd^4}$$

$$\delta = \frac{\partial U}{\partial F} = \frac{8FD^3N}{Gd^4}$$



IES-1(i). Ans. (b)

$$\delta = \frac{8PD^3N}{Gd^4}$$

IES-2. Ans. (b)

IES-3. Ans. (c) It is for preventing locking not for buckling.

IES-4. Ans. (c) Stiffness of spring $(k) = \frac{Gd^4}{8D^3n}$ so $k \propto \frac{1}{n}$ and will behave

IES-4(i). Ans. (a)

IES-4(ii). Ans. (c)

IES-5. Ans. (b) $mg(h+x) = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$

IES-5(i) Ans. (c) $D=10\text{cm}, d=8\text{mm}, n=10$

$$\delta = \frac{8PD^3n}{Gd^4} = \frac{8 \times 200 \times 10^3 \times 10^{-6} \times 10}{80 \times 10^9 \times 8^4 \times 10^{-12}} = 48.82 \approx 49\text{mm}$$

IES-6. Ans. (c) Use $\tau = k_s \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3}$

IES-6a. Ans. (a)

IES-7. Ans. (b) Use $\tau = k_s \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3}$ it is independent of number of turn

IES-8. Ans. (c)

IES-9. Ans. (a) Stiffness $(k) = \frac{Gd^4}{64R^3N}$; Second spring, stiffness $(k_2) = \frac{Gd^4}{64(2R)^3 \times \frac{N}{2}} = \frac{k}{4}$

IES-10. Ans. (a)

IES-11. Ans. (a)

IES-12. Ans. (b) Stiffness of spring $(k) = \frac{Gd^4}{8D^3n} = \frac{10^7 (\text{N/cm}^2) \times 2^4 (\text{cm}^4)}{8 \times 20^3 (\text{cm}^3) \times 25} = 100\text{N/cm}$

IES-13. Ans. (b)

IES-14. Ans. (c)

IES-15. Ans. (a)

IES-16. Ans. (a)

IES-17. Ans. (d) $\frac{W_o}{W_i} = \frac{R_i^3}{R_o^3} = \left(\frac{20}{40} \right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}; W_o = \frac{W_i}{8}$ So $W_i + \frac{W_i}{8} = P$ or $W_i = \frac{8}{9}P$

IES-18. Ans. (c) Stiffness of spring $(k) = \frac{Gd^4}{64R^3n}$ Where G and d is same

$$\text{Therefore } \frac{k}{k_2} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{R}{R_2}\right)^3 \left(\frac{n}{n_2}\right)} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{75}{60}\right)^3 \left(\frac{8}{10}\right)} = \frac{1}{1.56}$$

IES-18a. **Ans. (a)** But most of the students think answer will be (b). If your calculated answer is also (b) then read the question again and see “**Two equal lengths of steel wires**” is

written that means number of turns are different. And $L = \pi D_1 n_1 = \pi D_2 n_2 \therefore \frac{n_2}{n_1} = \frac{D_1}{D_2} = \frac{75}{60}$

Stiffness of spring (S) = $\frac{Gd^4}{64R^3n}$ Where G and d is same

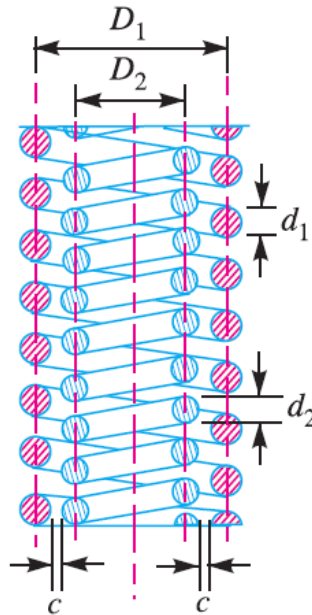
$$\text{Therefore } \frac{S_1}{S_2} = \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right)^3 \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1}\right) = \left(\frac{D_2}{D_1}\right)^3 \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1}\right) = \left(\frac{60}{75}\right)^3 \left(\frac{75}{60}\right) = \left(\frac{60}{75}\right)^2$$

IES-19. **Ans. (b)** Stiffness of spring (k) = $\frac{Gd^4}{8D^3n} \therefore k \propto \frac{1}{n}$ or $\frac{k_2}{k_1} = \frac{n_1}{n_2} = \frac{25}{20} = 1.25$

IES-20. **Ans. (a)** Stiffness of spring (k) = $\frac{Gd^4}{8D^3n}$

IES-21. **Ans. (a)**

IES-22. **Ans. (a)** Same as [IES-1992]



IES-22(i). **Ans. (a)**

IES-22(ii). **Ans. (b)**

IES-23. **Ans. (d)**

IES-24. **Ans. (d)** use $mg(h+x) = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$

IES-25. **Ans. (c)**

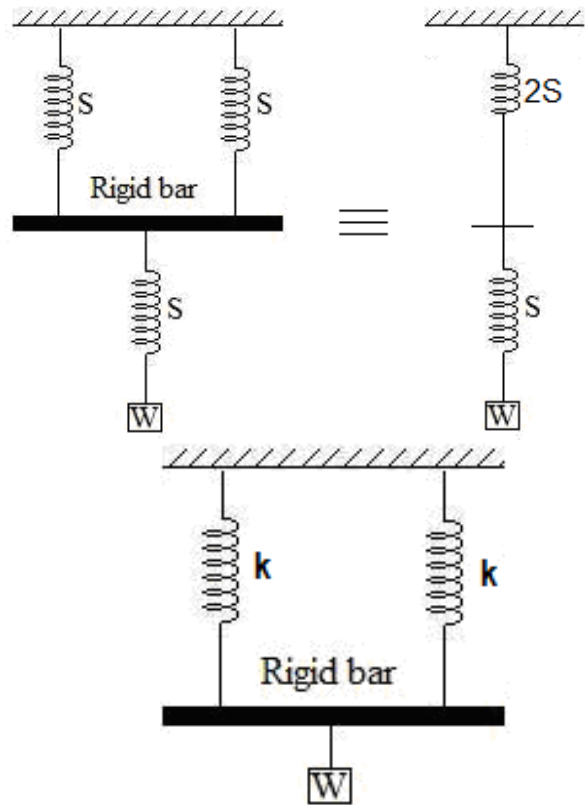
IES-26. **Ans. (b)**

IES-27. **Ans. (c)** When a spring is cut into two, no. of coils gets halved.

\therefore Stiffness of each half gets doubled.

When these are connected in parallel, stiffness = $2k + 2k = 4k$

IES-28. Ans. (c) $\frac{1}{S_e} = \frac{1}{2S} + \frac{1}{S}$ or $S_e = \frac{2}{3} S$



IES-29. Ans. (b) $W = k\delta = k_1\delta + k_2\delta$

IES-30. Ans. (b) $\frac{1}{S_e} = \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{5}$ or $S_e = \frac{10}{3}$

IES-31. Ans. (b)

IES-32. Ans. (c) The strain energy stored per spring $= \frac{1}{2} k \cdot x^2 / 2 = \frac{1}{2} \times k_{eq} \times \left(\frac{F}{k_{eq}} \right)^2 / 2$ and here total

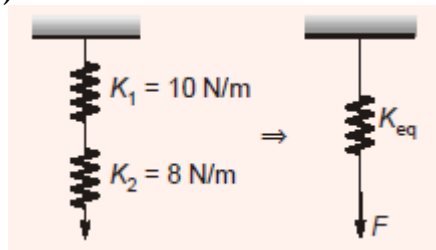
force 'F' is supported by both the spring 1 and 2 therefore $k_{eq} = k + k = 2k$

IES-33. Ans. (a) Stiffness K_1 of 10 coils spring = 8 N/mm

\therefore Stiffness K_2 of 5 coils spring = 16 N/mm

Though it looks like in series but they are in parallel combination. They are not subjected to same force. Equivalent stiffness (k) = $k_1 + k_2 = 24$ N/mm

IES-33a. Ans. (c)



$$\frac{1}{k_{eq}} = \frac{1}{k_1} + \frac{1}{k_2} \quad \text{or} \quad k_{eq} = \frac{10 \times 8}{10 + 8} = 4.94 \text{ N/mm} \quad \text{Now } \delta = \frac{F}{k_{eq}} \quad \text{or } F = 200 \text{ N}$$

IES-34. Ans. (b)

IAS

IAS-1. Ans. (a)

IAS-2. Ans. (d)

IAS-3. Ans. (c) It is for preventing locking not for buckling.

IAS-4. Ans. (c) Stiffness of spring (k) = $\frac{Gd^4}{8D^3n}$ so $k \propto \frac{1}{n}$ and will behave

IAS-5. Ans. (b) $K = \frac{Gd^4}{8D^3N}$ or $K \propto \frac{1}{N}$ or $\frac{K_2}{K_1} = \frac{N_1}{N_2} = \frac{15}{10} = 1.5$

IAS-6. Ans. (d) $l = \pi Dn = \pi(cd)n = \pi \times (5 \times 10) \times 10 = 1570 \text{ mm}$

IAS-7. Ans. (b)

IAS-8. Ans. (a) $\delta = \frac{8PD^3N}{Gd^4}$ or $\frac{\delta_2}{\delta_1} = \frac{\left(\frac{D_2}{D_1}\right)\left(\frac{N_2}{N_1}\right)}{\left(\frac{d_2}{d_1}\right)^4} = \frac{4^3 \times 2}{2^4} = 8$

IAS-9. Ans. (d) Kinetic energy of block = potential energy of spring

or $W \times h = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$ or $k = \frac{2Wh}{x^2} = \frac{2 \times 2 \times 1}{0.1^2} \text{ N/m} = 400 \text{ N/m}$

IAS-10. Ans. (b) $E = \frac{1}{2} kx^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times \left\{ \frac{10 \text{ N}}{\left(\frac{1}{1000}\right) \text{ m}} \right\} \times \{1 - 0.6\}^2 \text{ m}^2 = 800 \text{ Nm}$

IAS-11. Ans. (a) Work done by the spring is $= \frac{1}{2} kx_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} kx_2^2$

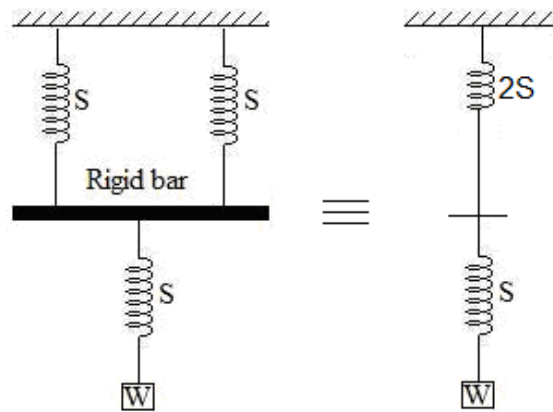
IAS-12. Ans. (d) $E = \frac{1}{2} k(x_2^2 - x_1^2) = \frac{1}{2} \times 1000 \times \{0.20^2 - 0.10^2\} = 15 \text{ Nm}$

IAS-13. Ans. (b)

IAS-14. Ans. (a)

Work done $= \frac{1}{2} kx^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{10 \text{ N}}{1 \text{ mm}} \right) \times (1 - 0.6)^2 \text{ m}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{10 \text{ N}}{\left(\frac{1}{1000}\right) \text{ m}} \right) \times 0.4^2 \text{ m}^2 = 800 \text{ J}$

IAS-15. Ans. (c) $\frac{1}{S_e} = \frac{1}{2S} + \frac{1}{S}$ or $S_e = \frac{2}{3} S$



IAS-16. Ans. (b) Effective stiffness = $2K$. Due to applied force one spring will be under tension and another one under compression so total resistance force will double.

IAS-17. Ans. (b)

IAS-18. Ans. (d) The ends of the leaves of a semi-elliptical leaf spring are made rectangular in plan in order to make M/I constant throughout the length of the leaf.

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question ESE-2008

Question: A close-coiled helical spring has coil diameter D , wire diameter d and number of turn n . The spring material has a shearing modulus G . Derive an expression for the stiffness k of the spring.

Chapter-12

Answer:

The work done by the axial force 'P' is converted into strain energy and stored in the spring.

$$U = (\text{average torque}) \times (\text{angular displacement})$$

$$= \frac{T}{2} \times \theta$$

From the figure we get, $\theta = \frac{TL}{GJ}$

$$\text{Torque (T)} = \frac{PD}{2}$$

$$\text{length of wire (L)} = \pi Dn$$

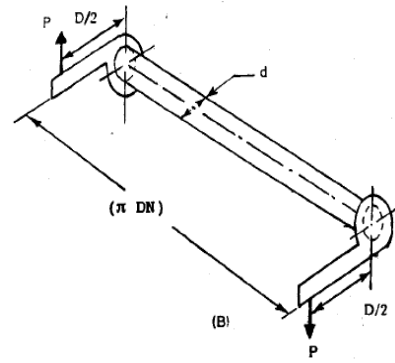
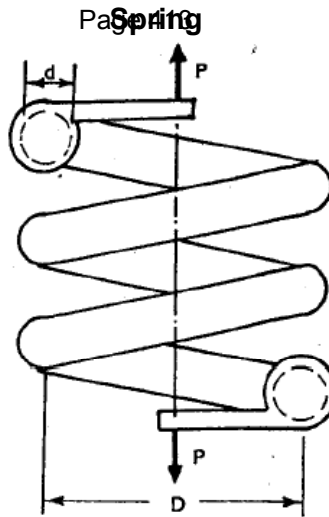
$$\text{Polar moment of Inertia (J)} = \frac{\pi d^4}{32}$$

$$\text{Therefore } U = \frac{4P^2 D^3 n}{Gd^4}$$

According to Castigliano's theorem, the displacement corresponding to force P is obtained by partially differentiating strain energy with respect to that force.

$$\text{Therefore } \delta = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P} = \frac{\partial}{\partial P} \left[\frac{4P^2 D^3 n}{Gd^4} \right] = \frac{8PD^3 n}{Gd^4}$$

$$\text{So Spring stiffness, (k)} = \frac{P}{\delta} = \frac{Gd^4}{8D^3 n}$$

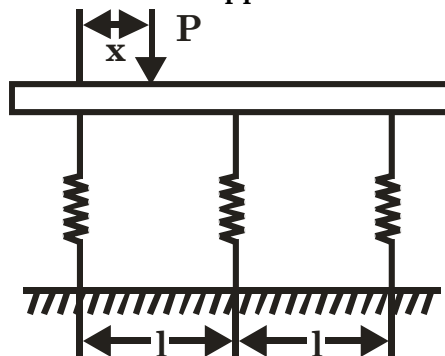


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Conventional Question ESE-2010

Q.

A stiff bar of negligible weight transfers a load P to a combination of three helical springs arranged in parallel as shown in the above figure. The springs are made up of the same material and out of rods of equal diameters. They are of same free length before loading. The number of coils in those three springs are 10, 12 and 15 respectively, while the mean coil diameters are in ratio of 1 : 1.2 : 1.4 respectively. Find the distance 'x' as shown in figure, such that the stiff bar remains horizontal after the application of load P. [10 Marks]



Ans.

Same free length of spring before loading

The number of coils in the spring 1, 2 and 3 is 10, 12 and 15 mean diameter of spring 1, 2 and 3 in the ratio of 1 : 1.2 : 1.4 Find out distance x so that rod remains horizontal after loading.

Since the rod is rigid and remains horizontal after the load p is applied therefore the deflection of each spring will be same

$$\delta_1 = \delta_2 = \delta_3 = \delta \quad (\text{say})$$

Spring are made of same material and out of the rods of equal diameter

$$G_1 = G_2 = G_3 = G \quad \text{and} \quad d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = d$$

Load in spring 1

$$P_1 = \frac{Gd^4\delta}{64R_1^3n_1} = \frac{Gd^4\delta}{64R_1^3 \times 10} = \frac{Gd^4\delta}{640R_1^3} \quad \dots(1)$$

Load in spring 2

$$P_2 = \frac{Gd^4\delta}{64 \times R_2^3n_2} = \frac{Gd^4\delta}{64 \times (1.2)^3 \times 12R_1^3} = \frac{Gd^4\delta}{1327.10R_1^3} \quad \dots(2)$$

Load in spring 3

$$P_3 = \frac{Gd^4\delta}{64R_3^3n_3} = \frac{Gd^4\delta}{64 \times (1.4)^3 \times 15R_1^3} = \frac{Gd^4\delta}{2634.2R_1^3} \quad \dots(3)$$

From eqn (1) & (2)

$$P_2 = \frac{640}{1327.1} P_1$$

$$P_2 = 0.482 P_1$$

from eqn (1) & (3)

$$P_3 = \frac{640}{2634.2} P_1 = 0.2430 P_1$$

Taking moment about the line of action P_1

$$P_2 \times L + P_3 \times 2L = P \times x$$

$$0.4823 P_1 L + 0.2430 P_1 \times 2L = P \times x$$

$$x = \frac{(0.4823 + 0.486) P_1 L}{P} \quad \dots\dots(4)$$

total load in the rod is

$$P = P_1 + P_2 + P_3$$

$$P = P_1 + 0.4823 P_1 + 0.2430 P_1$$

$$P = 1.725 P_1 \quad \dots\dots(5)$$

Equation (4) & (5)

$$x = \frac{0.9683L}{1.725 P_1 / P_1} = \frac{0.9683L}{1.725} = 0.5613L$$

$$x = 0.5613 L$$

Conventional Question ESE-2008

Question: A close-coiled helical spring has coil diameter to wire diameter ratio of 6. The spring deflects 3 cm under an axial load of 500N and the maximum shear stress is not to exceed 300 MPa. Find the diameter and the length of the spring wire required. Shearing modulus of wire material = 80 GPa.

Answer: Stiffness, $K = \frac{P}{\delta} = \frac{Gd^4}{8D^3n}$

$$\text{or, } \frac{500}{0.03} = \frac{(80 \times 10^9) \times d}{8 \times 6^3 \times n} \quad [\text{given } c = \frac{D}{d} = 6]$$

$$\text{or, } d = 3.6 \times 10^{-4} n \quad \dots\dots(i)$$

For static loading correcting factor(k)

$$k = \left(1 + \frac{0.5}{c}\right) = \left(1 + \frac{0.5}{6}\right) = 1.0833$$

We know that $(\tau) = k \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3}$

$$d^2 = \frac{8kPC}{\pi \tau} \quad \left[\because C = \frac{D}{d} = 6 \right]$$

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{1.0833 \times 8 \times 500 \times 6}{\pi \times 300 \times 10^6}} = 5.252 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} = 5.252 \text{ mm}$$

So $D = cd = 6 \times 5.252 \text{ mm} = 31.513 \text{ mm}$

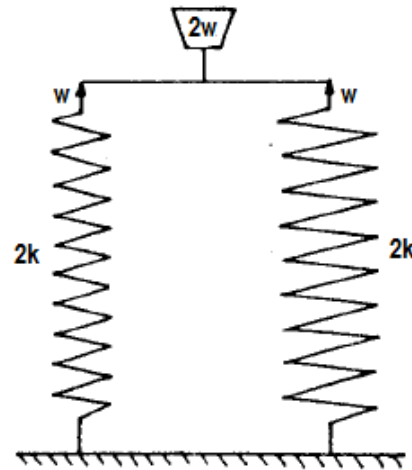
From, equation (i) $n = 14.59 \simeq 15$

Now length of spring wire(L) = $\pi Dn = \pi \times 31.513 \times 15 \text{ mm} = 1.485 \text{ m}$

Conventional Question ESE-2007

Question: A coil spring of stiffness 'k' is cut to two halves and these two springs are assembled in parallel to support a heavy machine. What is the combined stiffness provided by these two springs in the modified arrangement?

Answer: When it cut to two halves stiffness of each half will be 2k. Springs in parallel.
Total load will be shared so
Total load = W+W
or $\delta.K_{eq} = \delta.(2k) + \delta.(2k)$
or $K_{eq} = 4k$.



Conventional Question ESE-2001

Question: A helical spring B is placed inside the coils of a second helical spring A, having the same number of coils and free axial length and of same material. The two springs are compressed by an axial load of 210 N which is shared between them. The mean coil diameters of A and B are 90 mm and 60 mm and the wire diameters are 12 mm and 7 mm respectively. Calculate the load shared by individual springs and the maximum stress in each spring.

Answer: The stiffness of the spring (k) = $\frac{Gd^4}{8D^3N}$

Here load shared the springs are arranged in parallel

Equivalent stiffness(k_e) = $k_A + k_B$

$$\text{Hear } \frac{K_A}{K_B} = \left(\frac{d_A}{d_B}\right)^4 \left(\frac{D_B}{D_A}\right)^3 \quad [\text{As } N_A = N_B] = \left(\frac{12}{7}\right)^4 \times \left(\frac{60}{90}\right)^3 = 2.559$$

$$\text{Let total deflection is 'x' m} \quad x = \frac{\text{Total load}}{\text{Equivalent stiffness}} = \frac{210 \text{ N}}{K_A + K_B}$$

$$\text{Load shared by spring 'A'} (F_A) = K_A' x = \frac{210}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{90} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2.559} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{0.007}}}}} = 151 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{Load shared by spring 'B'} (F_B) = K_B' x = (210 - 151) = 59 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{For static load: } t = \frac{0.5 \times 8 \times P D}{C \pi d^3}$$

$$(t_A)_{\max} = 1 + \frac{0.5 \times 8 \times 151 \times 0.090}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{90} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2.559} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{0.007}}}} \pi (0.012)^3 = 21.362 \text{ MPa}$$

$$(t_B)_{\max} = 1 + \frac{0.5 \times 8 \times 59 \times 0.060}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{60} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{0.007}}}} \pi (0.007)^3 = 27.816 \text{ MPa}$$

Conventional Question AMIE-1997

Question: A close-coiled spring has mean diameter of 75 mm and spring constant of 90 kN/m. It has 8 coils. What is the suitable diameter of the spring wire if maximum shear stress is not to exceed 250 MN/m²? Modulus of rigidity of the spring wire material is 80 GN/m². What is the maximum axial load the spring can carry?

Answer: Given D = 75 mm; k = 80 kN/m; n = 8

$$\tau = 250 \text{ MN/m}^2; G = 80 \text{ GN/m}^2 = 80 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2$$

Diameter of the spring wire, d:

$$T = \tau \times \frac{\pi}{16} d^3 \quad (\text{where } T = P \times R)$$

$$\text{We know, } P \times 0.0375 = (250 \times 10^6) \times \frac{\pi}{16} d^3 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\text{Also } P = k \delta$$

$$\text{or } P = 80 \times 10^3 \times \delta \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Using the relation:

$$\delta = \frac{8PD^3n}{Gd^4} = \frac{8P \times (0.075)^3 \times 8}{80 \times 10^9 \times d^4} = 33.75 \times 10^{-14} \times \frac{P}{d^4}$$

Substituting for δ in equation (ii), we get

$$P = 80 \times 10^3 \times 33.75 \times 10^{-14} \times \frac{P}{d^4} \quad \text{or } d = 0.0128 \text{ m or } 12.8 \text{ mm}$$

Maximum axial load the spring can carry P:

From equation (i), we get

$$P \times 0.0375 = (250 \times 10^6) \times \frac{\pi}{16} \times (0.0128)^3; \quad \therefore P = 2745.2 \text{ N} = 2.7452 \text{ kN}$$



13. Theories of Column

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

1. Introduction

- **Strut:** A member of structure which carries an axial compressive load.
- **Column:** If the strut is vertical it is known as column.
- A long, slender column becomes unstable when its axial compressive load reaches a value called the critical buckling load.
- If a beam element is under a compressive load and its length is an order of magnitude larger than either of its other dimensions such a beam is called a *columns*.
- Due to its size its axial displacement is going to be very small compared to its lateral deflection called *buckling*.
- *Buckling* does not vary linearly with load it occurs suddenly and is therefore dangerous
- **Slenderness Ratio:** The ratio between the length and least radius of gyration.
- **Elastic Buckling:** Buckling with no permanent deformation.
- Euler buckling is only valid for long, slender objects in the elastic region.
- For short columns, a different set of equations must be used.

2. Which is the critical load?

- At this value the structure is in equilibrium regardless of the magnitude of the angle (provided it stays small)
- Critical load is the only load for which the structure will be in equilibrium in the disturbed position
- At this value, restoring effect of the moment in the spring matches the buckling effect of the axial load represents the boundary between the stable and unstable conditions.
- If the axial load is less than P_{cr} the effect of the moment in the spring dominates and the structure returns to the vertical position after a small disturbance – stable condition.
- If the axial load is larger than P_{cr} the effect of the axial force predominates and the structure buckles – unstable condition.
- Because of the large deflection caused by buckling, the least moment of inertia I can be expressed as, $I = Ak^2$
- Where: A is the cross sectional area and r is the *radius of gyration* of the cross sectional area,

$$\text{i.e. } k_{\min} = \sqrt{\frac{I_{\min}}{A}}$$

- Note that the *smallest* radius of gyration of the column, i.e. the *least* moment of inertia I should be taken in order to find the critical stress. l/k is called the *slenderness ratio*, it is a measure of the column's flexibility.

3. Euler's Critical Load for Long Column

Assumptions:

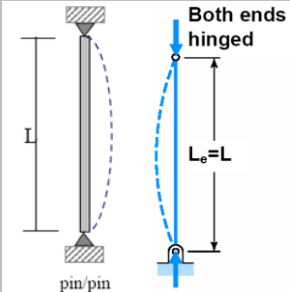
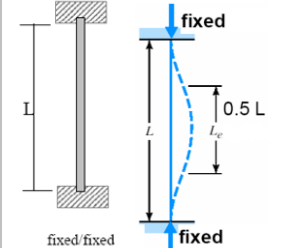
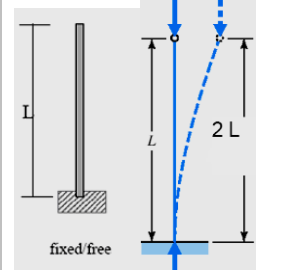
- (i) The column is perfectly straight and of uniform cross-section
- (ii) The material is homogenous and isotropic
- (iii) The material behaves elastically
- (iv) The load is perfectly axial and passes through the centroid of the column section.
- (v) The weight of the column is neglected.

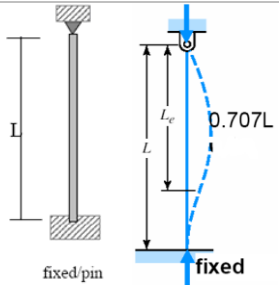
Euler's critical load,

$$P_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l_e^2}$$

Where l_e =Equivalent length of column (1st mode of bending)

4. Remember the following table

Case	Diagram	P _{cr}	Equivalent length(l_e)
Both ends hinged/pinned		$\frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$	l
Both ends fixed		$\frac{4\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$	$\frac{l}{2}$
One end fixed & other end free		$\frac{\pi^2 EI}{4l^2}$	$2l$

One end fixed & other end pinned /hinged		$\frac{2\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$	$\frac{\ell}{\sqrt{2}}$
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5. Slenderness Ratio of Column

$$P_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L_e^2} \text{ where } I = A k_{\min}^2$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2 EA}{\left(\frac{\ell_e}{k_{\min}}\right)^2}$$

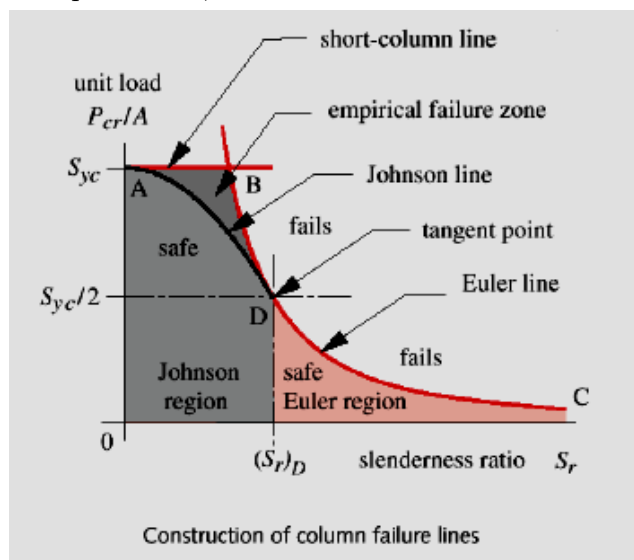
k_{\min} = least radius of gyration

$$\therefore \text{Slenderness Ratio} = \frac{\ell_e}{k_{\min}}$$

6. Rankine's Crippling Load

Rankine theory is applied to both

- Short strut /column (valid upto SR-40)
- Long Column (Valid upto SR 120)



- Slenderness ratio

$$\frac{\ell_e}{k} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi^2 E}{\sigma_e}} \quad (\sigma_e = \text{critical stress}) = \frac{P_{cr}}{A}$$

- Crippling Load , P

$$P = \frac{\sigma_e A}{1 + K' \left(\frac{\ell_e}{k}\right)^2}$$

where $k' = \text{Rankine constant} = \frac{\sigma_c}{\pi^2 E}$ depends on material & end conditions

$\sigma_c = \text{crushing stress}$

- For steel columns

$$K' = \frac{1}{25000} \text{ for both ends fixed}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12500} \text{ for one end fixed \& other hinged} \quad 20 \leq \frac{\ell_e}{k} \leq 100$$

7. Other formulas for crippling load (P)

- Gordon's formula,

$$P = \frac{A\sigma_c}{1 + b\left(\frac{\ell_e}{d}\right)^2} \quad b = \text{a constant, } d = \text{least diameter or breadth of bar}$$

- Johnson Straight line formula,

$$P = \sigma_c A \left[1 - c \left(\frac{\ell_e}{k} \right) \right] \quad c = \text{a constant depending on material.}$$

- Johnson parabolic formulae :

$$P = \sigma_y A \left[1 - b \left(\frac{\ell_e}{k} \right)^2 \right]$$

where the value of index 'b' depends on the end conditions.

- Fiddler's formula,

$$P = \frac{A}{C} \left[(\sigma_c + \sigma_e) - \sqrt{(\sigma_c + \sigma_e)^2 - 2c\sigma_c\sigma_e} \right]$$

$$\text{where, } \sigma_e = \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{\ell_e}{k}\right)^2}$$

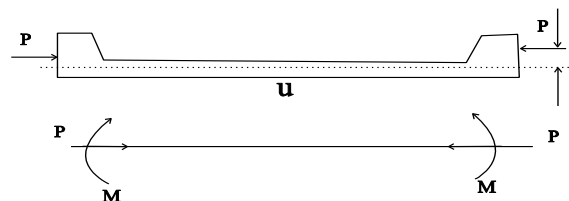
8. Eccentrically Loaded Columns

- Secant formula

$$\sigma_{\max} = \frac{P}{A} \left[1 + \frac{ey_c}{k^2} \sec \left(\frac{\ell_e}{2k} \right) \sqrt{\frac{P}{EA}} \right]$$

Where $\sigma_{\max} = \text{maximum compressive stress}$

$P = \text{load}$



A = Area of c/s

y_c = Distance of the outermost fiber in compression from the NA

e = Eccentricity of the load

l_e = Equivalent length

k = Radius of gyration = $\sqrt{\frac{I}{A}}$

E = Modulus of elasticity of the material

$$M = P.e.\sec\left(\frac{\ell_e}{2k}\sqrt{\frac{P}{EA}}\right)$$

Where M = Moment introduced.

- **Prof. Perry's Formula**

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{\max}}{\sigma_d} - 1\right)\left(1 - \frac{\sigma_d}{\sigma_e}\right) = \frac{e_1 y_c}{k^2}$$

Where σ_{\max} = maximum compressive stress

$$\sigma_d = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{\text{Load}}{\text{c/s area}}$$

$$\sigma_e = \frac{P_e}{A} = \frac{\text{Euler's load}}{\text{c / s area}}$$

$$P_e = \text{Euler's load} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{\ell_e^2}$$

e' = Versine at mid-length of column due to initial curvature

e = Eccentricity of the load

$$e_1 = e' + 1.2e$$

y_c = distance of outer most fiber in compression from the NA

k = Radius of gyration

If σ_{\max} is allowed to go up to σ_f (permssible stress)

$$\text{Then, } \eta = \frac{e_1 y_c}{k^2}$$

$$\sigma_d = \frac{\sigma_f + \sigma_e(1 + \eta)}{2} - \sqrt{\left\{\frac{\sigma_f + \sigma_e(1 + \eta)}{2}\right\}^2 - \sigma_e \sigma_f}$$

- **Perry-Robertson Formula**

$$\eta = 0.003\left(\frac{\ell_e}{k}\right)$$

$$\sigma_d = \frac{\sigma_f + \sigma_e\left(1 + 0.003\frac{\ell_e}{k}\right)}{2} - \sqrt{\left\{\frac{\sigma_f + \sigma_e\left(1 + 0.003\frac{\ell_e}{k}\right)}{2}\right\}^2 - \sigma_e \sigma_f}$$

9. ISI's Formula for Columns and Struts

- For $\frac{l_e}{k} = 0$ to 160

$$P_c = \frac{\sigma_y / \text{fos}}{1 + 0.2 \sec \left(\frac{l_e}{k} \sqrt{\frac{\text{fos} \times P_{c'}}{4E}} \right)}$$

Where, P_c = Permissible axial compressive stress

$P_{c'}$ = A value obtained from above Secant formula

σ_y = Guaranteed minimum yield stress = 2600 kg/cm² for mild steel

fos = factor of safety = 1.68

$\frac{l_e}{k}$ = Slenderness ratio

E = Modulus of elasticity = 2.045×10^6 kg / cm² for mild steel

- For $\frac{l_e}{k} > 160$

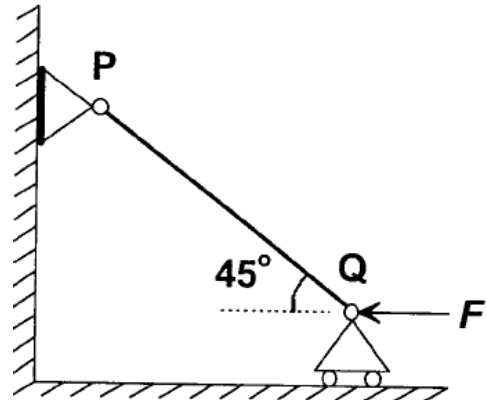
OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Strength of Column

GATE-1. The rod PQ of length L and with flexural rigidity EI is hinged at both ends. For what minimum force F is it expected to buckle?

- (a) $\frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$ (b) $\frac{\sqrt{2}\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$
 (c) $\frac{\pi^2 EI}{\sqrt{2}L^2}$ (d) $\frac{\pi^2 EI}{2L^2}$



[GATE-2008]

Equivalent Length

GATE-2. The ratio of Euler's buckling loads of columns with the same parameters having (i) both ends fixed, and (ii) both ends hinged is:

[GATE-1998; 2002; IES-2001, GATE-2012]

- (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 8

Euler's Theory (For long column)

GATE-3. A pin-ended column of length L , modulus of elasticity E and second moment of the cross-sectional area I is loaded centrally by a compressive load P . The critical buckling load (P_{cr}) is given by:

[GATE-2006]

- (a) $P_{cr} = \frac{EI}{\pi^2 L^2}$ (b) $P_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{3L^2}$ (c) $P_{cr} = \frac{\pi EI}{L^2}$ (d) $P_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$

GATE-3a. Consider a steel (Young's modulus $E = 200$ GPa) column hinged on both sides. Its height is 1.0 m and cross-section is 10 mm \times 20 mm. The lowest Euler critical buckling load (in N) is _____

[GATE-2015]

GATE-3b. A vertical column has two moments of inertia I_{xx} and I_{yy} . The column will tend to buckle in the direction of the _____

[ISRO-2015]

- (a) axis of load (b) perpendicular to the axis of load
 (c) maximum moment of inertia (d) minimum moment of inertia

GATE-3c. A steel column of rectangular section (15 mm \times 10 mm) and length 1.5 m is simply supported at both ends. Assuming modulus of elasticity, $E = 200$ GPa for steel, the critical axial load (in kN) is _____ (correct to two decimal places)

[GATE-2018]

GATE-3d. A column of height h with a rectangular cross-section of size $a \times 2a$ has a buckling load of P . If the cross-section is changed to $0.5a \times 3a$ and its height changed to $1.5h$, the buckling load of the redesigned column will be

- (a) $P/12$ (b) $P/4$ (c) $P/2$ (d) $3P/4$ [CE: GATE-2018]

GATE-4. The minimum axial compressive load, P required to initiate buckling for a pinned-pinned slender column with bending stiffness EI and length L is

$$(a) P = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{4L^2} \quad (b) P = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2} \quad (c) P = \frac{3\pi^2 EI}{4L^2} \quad (d) P = \frac{4\pi^2 EI}{L^2} \quad [\text{GATE-2018}]$$

GATE-4a. What is the expression for the crippling load for a column of length ' l ' with one end fixed and other end free? [IES-2006; GATE-1994]

$$(a) P = \frac{2\pi^2 EI}{l^2} \quad (b) P = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{4l^2} \quad (c) P = \frac{4\pi^2 EI}{l^2} \quad (d) P = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$$

GATE-5. The piston rod of diameter 20 mm and length 700 mm in a hydraulic cylinder is subjected to a compressive force of 10 kN due to the internal pressure. The end conditions for the rod may be assumed as guided at the piston end and hinged at the other end. The Young's modulus is 200 GPa. The factor of safety for the piston rod is

$$(a) 0.68 \quad (b) 2.75 \quad (c) 5.62 \quad (d) 11.0 \quad [\text{GATE-2007}]$$

GATE-5a. A square cross-section wooden column of length 3140 mm is pinned at both ends. For the wood, Young's modulus of elasticity is 12 GPa and allowable compressive stress is 12 MPa. The column needs to support an axial compressive load of 200 kN. Using a factor of safety of 2.0 in the computation of Euler's buckling load, the minimum cross-sectional area (in mm²) of the column is _____ [GATE-2018(P1)]

GATE-6. A steel column, pinned at both ends, has a buckling load of 200 kN. If the column is restrained against lateral movement at its mid-height, its buckling load will be [CE: GATE-2007]

$$(a) 200 \text{ kN} \quad (b) 283 \text{ kN} \quad (c) 400 \text{ kN} \quad (d) 800 \text{ kN}$$

GATE-7. Two steel columns P (length L and yield strength $f_y = 250$ MPa) and Q (length $2L$ and yield strength $f_y = 500$ MPa) have the same cross-sections and end-conditions. The ratio of buckling load of column P to that of column Q is:

$$(a) 0.5 \quad (b) 1.0 \quad (c) 2.0 \quad (d) 4.0 \quad [\text{CE: GATE-2014}]$$

GATE-8. A long structural column (length = L) with both ends hinged is acted upon by an axial compressive load P . The differential equation governing the bending of column is given by:

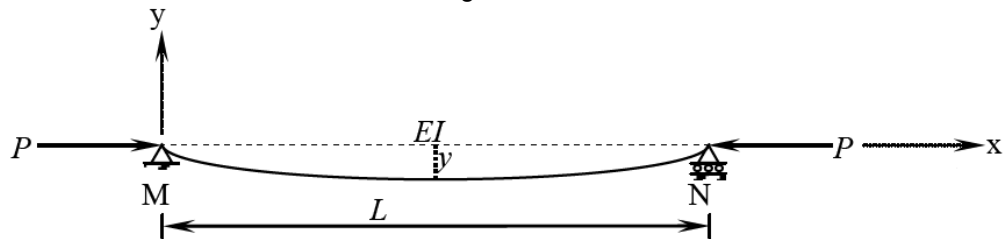
$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -Py \quad [\text{CE: GATE-2003}]$$

where y is the structural lateral deflection and EI is the flexural rigidity. The first critical load on column responsible for its buckling is given by

$$(a) \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2} \quad (b) \frac{\sqrt{2}\pi^2 EI}{L^2} \\ (c) \frac{2\pi^2 EI}{L^2} \quad (d) \frac{4\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$$

GATE-9. If the following equation establishes equilibrium in slightly bent position, the mid-span deflection of a member shown in the figure is [CE: GATE-2014]

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \frac{P}{EI} y = 0$$

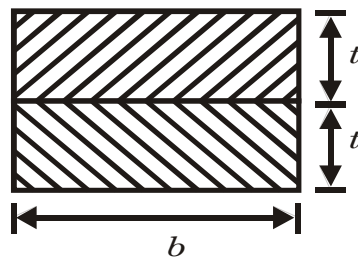


If a is amplitude constant for y , then

$$(a) y = \frac{1}{P} \left(1 - a \cos \frac{2\pi x}{L} \right) \quad (b) y = \frac{1}{P} \left(1 - a \sin \frac{2\pi x}{L} \right)$$

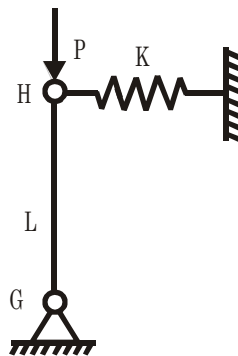
$$(c) y = a \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \quad (d) y = a \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}$$

GATE-10. Cross-section of a column consisting of two steel strips, each of thickness t and width b is shown in the figure below. The critical loads of the column with perfect bond and without bond between the strips are P and P_0 respectively. The ratio $\frac{P}{P_0}$ is [CE: GATE-2008]



- (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 8

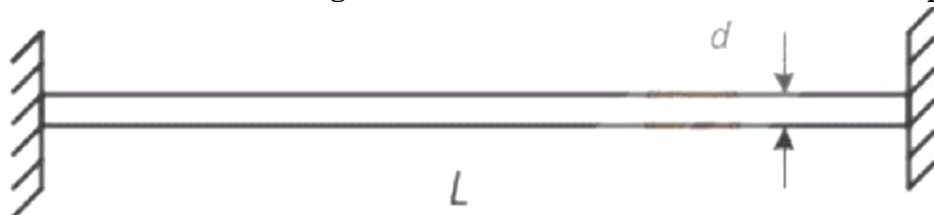
GATE-11. A rigid bar GH of length L is supported by a hinge and a spring of stiffness K as shown in the figure below. The buckling load, P_{cr} , for the bar will be



[CE: GATE-2008]

- (a) 0.5 KL (b) 0.8 KL (c) 1.0 KL (d) 1.2 KL

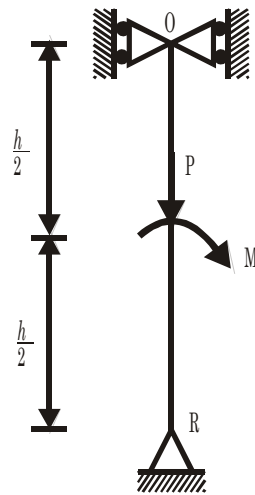
GATE-11a. An initially stress-free massless elastic beam of length L and circular cross-section with diameter d ($d \ll L$) is held fixed between two walls as shown. The beam material has Young's modulus E and coefficient of thermal expansion α .



If the beam is slowly and uniformly heated, the temperature rise required to cause the beam to buckle is proportional to [GATE-2017]

- (a) d (b) d^2 (c) d^3 (d) d^4

GATE-12. This sketch shows a column with a pin at the base and rollers at the top. It is subjected to an axial force P and a moment M at mid height. The reaction(s) at R is/are



[CE: GATE-2012]

- (a) a vertical force equal to P (b) a vertical force equal to $\frac{P}{2}$
- (c) a vertical force equal to P and a horizontal force equal to $\frac{M}{h}$
- (d) a vertical force equal to $\frac{P}{2}$ and a horizontal force equal to $\frac{M}{h}$

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Classification of Column

IES-1. A structural member subjected to an axial compressive force is called [IES-2008]

- (a) Beam (b) Column (c) Frame (d) Strut

IES-2. Which one of the following loadings is considered for design of axles? [IES-1995]

- (a) Bending moment only
 (b) Twisting moment only
 (c) Combined bending moment and torsion
 (d) Combined action of bending moment, twisting moment and axial thrust.

IES-2a An axle is a machine part that is subjected to: [IES-2011]

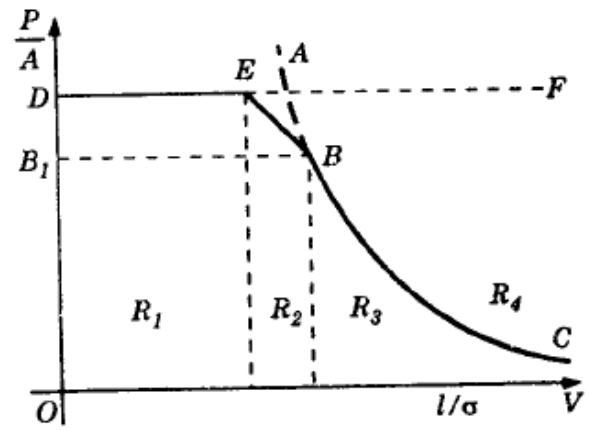
- (a) Transverse loads and bending moment (b) Twisting moment only
 (c) Twisting moment and axial load (d) Bending moment and axial load

IES-3. The curve ABC is the Euler's curve for stability of column. The horizontal line DEF is the strength limit. With reference to this figure Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

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|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| List-I
(Regions) | List-II
(Column specification) |
| A. R_1 | 1. Long, stable |
| B. R_2 | 2. Short |
| C. R_3 | 3. Medium |

D. R_4 4. Long, unstable

Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	2	4	3	1	(b)	2	3	1	4
(c)	1	2	4	3	(d)	2	1	3	4



[IES-1997]

IES-4. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [IAS-1999]

List-I					List-II				
A. Polar moment of inertia of section					1. Thin cylindrical shell				
B. Buckling					2. Torsion of shafts				
C. Neutral axis					3. Columns				
D. Hoop stress					4. Bending of beams				
Codes:	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	
(a)	3	2	1	4	(b)	2	3	4	1
(c)	3	2	4	1	(d)	2	3	1	4

Strength of Column

IES-5. Slenderness ratio of a column is defined as the ratio of its length to its
 (a) Least radius of gyration (b) Least lateral dimension [IES-2003]
 (c) Maximum lateral dimension (d) Maximum radius of gyration

IES-5(i) What is the slenderness ratio of a 4 m column with fixed ends if its cross section is square of side 40 mm? [IES-2014]
 (a) 100 (b) 50 (c) 160 (d) 173

IES-6. Assertion (A): A long column of square cross section has greater buckling stability than a similar column of circular cross-section of same length, same material and same area of cross-section with same end conditions.
 Reason (R): A circular cross-section has a smaller second moment of area than a square cross-section of same area. [IES-1999; IES-1996]
 (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

Equivalent Length

IES-6(i). The end conditions of a column for which length of column is equal to the equivalent length are [IES-2013]
 (a) Both the ends are hinged (b) Both the ends are fixed
 (c) One end fixed and other end free (d) One end fixed and other end hinged

IES-7. Four columns of same material and same length are of rectangular cross-section of same breadth b . The depth of the cross-section and the end conditions are, however different are given as follows: [IES-2004]

Column	Depth	End conditions
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1	0.6 b	Fixed-Fixed
2	0.8 b	Fixed-hinged
3	1.0 b	Hinged-Hinged
4	2.6 b	Fixed-Free

Which of the above columns Euler buckling load maximum?

- (a) Column 1 (b) Column 2 (c) Column 3 (d) Column 4

IES-8. Match List-I (End conditions of columns) with List-II (Equivalent length in terms of length of hinged-hinged column) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IES-2000]

List-I

A. Both ends hinged

B. One end fixed and other end free

C. One end fixed and the other pin-pointed

D. Both ends fixed

Code:

	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	1	3	4	2	(b)	1	3	2	4
(c)	3	1	2	4	(d)	3	1	4	2

List-II

1. L

2. $L/\sqrt{2}$

3. 2L

4. L/2

IES-9. The ratio of Euler's buckling loads of columns with the same parameters having (i) both ends fixed, and (ii) both ends hinged is:

[GATE-1998; 2002; IES-2001]

- (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 8

Euler's Theory (For long column)

IES-10. What is the expression for the crippling load for a column of length 'l' with one end fixed and other end free? [IES-2006; GATE-1994]

- (a) $P = \frac{2\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$ (b) $P = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{4l^2}$ (c) $P = \frac{4\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$ (d) $P = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$

IES-10(i). The buckling load for a column hinged at both ends is 10 kN. If the ends are fixed, the buckling load changes to [IES-2012]

- (a) 40 kN (b) 2.5 kN (c) 5 kN (d) 20 kN

IES-10(ii). For the case of a slender column of length L and flexural rigidity EI built in at its base and free at the top, the Euler's critical buckling load is [IES-2012]

- (a) $\frac{4\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$ (b) $\frac{2\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$ (c) $\frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$ (d) $\frac{\pi^2 EI}{4L^2}$

IES-11. A 4 m long solid round bar is used as a column having one end fixed and the other end free. If Euler's critical load on this column is found as 10 kN and E = 210 GPa for the material of the bar, the diameter of the bar [IES-2014]

- (a) 50 mm (b) 40 mm (c) 60 mm (d) 45 mm

IES-11(i). Euler's formula gives 5 to 10% error in crippling load as compared to experimental results in practice because: [IES-1998]

- (a) Effect of direct stress is neglected
 (b) Pin joints are not free from friction
 (c) The assumptions made in using the formula are not met in practice
 (d) The material does not behave in an ideal elastic way in tension and compression

IES-12. Euler's formula can be used for obtaining crippling load for a M.S. column with hinged ends.

Which one of the following conditions for the slenderness ratio $\frac{l}{k}$ is to be satisfied? [IES-2000]

- (a) $5 < \frac{l}{k} < 8$ (b) $9 < \frac{l}{k} < 18$ (c) $19 < \frac{l}{k} < 40$ (d) $\frac{l}{k} \geq 80$

- IES-13.** If one end of a hinged column is made fixed and the other free, how much is the critical load compared to the original value? [IES-2008]
 (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) Twice (d) Four times
- IES-14.** If one end of a hinged column is made fixed and the other free, how much is the critical load compared to the original value? [IES-2008]
 (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) Twice (d) Four times
- IES-14a.** A long column hinged at both the ends has certain critical Euler's buckling load-carrying capacity. If the same column be fixed at both the ends (in place of hinged ends), the load-carrying capacity then increases to [IES-2016]
 (a) 4 times (b) 3 times (c) 2 times (d) Nil
- IES-15.** Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists: [IES-1995; 2007; IAS-1997]
- | List-I(Long Column) | | | | List-II(Critical Load) | | | |
|--|----------|----------|----------|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| A. Both ends hinged | | | | 1. $\pi^2 EI / 4l^2$ | | | |
| B. One end fixed, and other end free | | | | 2. $4 \pi^2 EI / l^2$ | | | |
| C. Both ends fixed | | | | 3. $2 \pi^2 EI / l^2$ | | | |
| D. One end fixed, and other end hinged | | | | 4. $\pi^2 EI / l^2$ | | | |
| Code: | A | B | C | A | B | C | D |
| (a) | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 | (b) | 4 | 1 |
| (c) | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | (d) | 4 | 3 |
| | | | | | | 2 | 1 |
- IES-16.** The ratio of the compressive critical load for a long column fixed at both the ends and a column with one end fixed and the other end free is: [IES-1997]
 (a) 1 : 2 (b) 1 : 4 (c) 1 : 8 (d) 1 : 16
- IES-17.** The buckling load will be maximum for a column, if [IES-1993]
 (a) One end of the column is clamped and the other end is free
 (b) Both ends of the column are clamped
 (c) Both ends of the column are hinged
 (d) One end of the column is hinged and the other end is free
- IES-18.** If diameter of a long column is reduced by 20%, the percentage of reduction in Euler buckling load is: [IES-2001, 2012]
 (a) 4 (b) 36 (c) 49 (d) 59
- IES-19.** A long slender bar having uniform rectangular cross-section 'B x H' is acted upon by an axial compressive force. The sides B and H are parallel to x- and y-axes respectively. The ends of the bar are fixed such that they behave as pin-jointed when the bar buckles in a plane normal to x-axis, and they behave as built-in when the bar buckles in a plane normal to y-axis. If load capacity in either mode of buckling is same, then the value of H/B will be: [IES-2000]
 (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 8 (d) 16
- IES-20.** The Euler's crippling load for a 2m long slender steel rod of uniform cross-section hinged at both the ends is 1 kN. The Euler's crippling load for 1 m long steel rod of the same cross-section and hinged at both ends will be: [IES-1998]
 (a) 0.25 kN (b) 0.5 kN (c) 2 kN (d) 4 kN
- IES-20(i).** Determine the ratio of the buckling strength of a solid steel column to that of a hollow column of the same material having the same area of cross section. The internal diameter of the hollow column is half of the external diameter. Both column are of identical length and are pinned or hinged at the ends: [IES-2013]
 (a) $\frac{P_s}{P_h} = \frac{2}{5}$ (b) $\frac{P_s}{P_h} = \frac{3}{5}$ (c) $\frac{P_s}{P_h} = \frac{4}{5}$ (d) $\frac{P_s}{P_h} = 1$

IES-21. If σ_c and E denote the crushing stress and Young's modulus for the material of a column, then the Euler formula can be applied for determination of crippling load of a column made of this material only, if its slenderness ratio is:

- (a) More than $\pi\sqrt{E/\sigma_c}$ (b) Less than $\pi\sqrt{E/\sigma_c}$ [IES-2005]
 (c) More than $\pi^2\left(\frac{E}{\sigma_c}\right)$ (d) Less than $\pi^2\left(\frac{E}{\sigma_c}\right)$

IES-22. Four vertical columns of same material, height and weight have the same end conditions. Which cross-section will carry the maximum load? [IES-2009]

- (a) Solid circular section (b) Thin hollow circular section
 (c) Solid square section (d) I-section

Rankine's Hypothesis for Struts/Columns

IES-23. Rankine Gordon formula for buckling is valid for [IES-1994]

- (a) Long column (b) Short column
 (c) Short and long column (d) Very long column

Prof. Perry's formula

IES-24. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists: [IES-2008]

List-I (Formula/theorem/ method)

- A. Clapeyron's theorem
 B. Maculay's method
 C. Perry's formula
 4. Continuous beam

List-II (Deals with topic)

1. Deflection of beam
 2. Eccentrically loaded column
 3. Riveted joints

Code:	A	B	C		A	B	C
(a)	3	2	1	(b)	4	1	2
(c)	4	1	3	(d)	2	4	3

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Classification of Column

IAS-1. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [IAS-1999]

List-I

- A. Polar moment of inertia of section
 B. Buckling
 C. Neutral axis
 D. Hoop stress

List-II

1. Thin cylindrical shell
 2. Torsion of shafts
 3. Columns
 4. Bending of beams

Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	3	2	1	4	(b)	2	3	4	1
(c)	3	2	4	1	(d)	2	3	1	4

Strength of Column

IAS-2. Assertion (A): A long column of square cross-section has greater buckling stability than that of a column of circular cross-section of same length, same material, same end conditions and same area of cross-section. [IAS-1998]

Reason (R): The second moment of area of a column of circular cross-section is smaller than that of a column of square cross section having the same area.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A

- (c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

IAS-3. Which one of the following pairs is *not* correctly matched? [IAS-2003]

- (a) Slenderness ratio : The ratio of length of the column to the least radius of gyration
(b) Buckling factor : The ratio of maximum load to the permissible axial load on the column
(c) Short column : A column for which slenderness ratio < 32
(d) Strut : A member of a structure in any position and carrying an axial compressive load

Equivalent Length

IAS-4. A column of length 'l' is fixed at its both ends. The equivalent length of the column is: [IAS-1995]

- (a) $2l$ (b) $0.5l$ (c) $2l$ (d) l

IAS-5. Which one of the following statements is correct? [IAS-2000]

- (a) Euler's formula holds good only for short columns
(b) A short column is one which has the ratio of its length to least radius of gyration greater than 100
(c) A column with both ends fixed has minimum equivalent or effective length
(d) The equivalent length of a column with one end fixed and other end hinged is half of its actual length

Euler's Theory (For long column)

IAS-6. For which one of the following columns, Euler buckling load $= \frac{4\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$?

- (a) Column with both hinged ends [IAS-1999; 2004]
(b) Column with one end fixed and other end free
(c) Column with both ends fixed
(d) Column with one end fixed and other hinged

IAS-7. Assertion (A): Buckling of long columns causes plastic deformation. [IAS-2001]

Reason (R): In a buckled column, the stresses do not exceed the yield stress.

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is **NOT** the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

IAS-8. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists: [IES-1995; 2007; IAS-1997]

List-I(Long Column)

- A. Both ends hinged
B. One end fixed, and other end free
C. Both ends fixed
D. One end fixed, and other end hinged

List-II(Critical Load)

1. $\pi^2 EI / 4l^2$
2. $4 \pi^2 EI / l^2$
3. $2 \pi^2 EI / l^2$
4. $\pi^2 EI / l^2$

Code:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	2	1	4	3	(b)	4	1	2	3
(c)	2	3	4	1	(d)	4	3	2	1

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (b) Axial component of the force $F_{PQ} = F \sin 45^\circ$

We know for both end fixed column buckling load $(P) = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$

$$\text{and } F \sin 45^\circ = P \text{ or } F = \frac{\sqrt{2} P^2 EI}{L^2}$$

GATE-2. Ans. (b) Euler's buckling loads of columns

$$(1) \text{ both ends fixed} = \frac{4\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$$

$$(2) \text{ both ends hinged} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$$

GATE-3. Ans. (d)

GATE-3a. Ans. 3289.96

$$\text{Euler's critical load} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2} = \frac{\pi^2 \times 200 \times 10^9 \times 0.02 \times 0.01^3}{12} = 3289.96 \text{ N}$$

GATE-3b. Ans. (d) Area MOI means resistance to bending.

GATE-3c. Ans. (1.097)

$$\text{Buckling Load} = \frac{\pi^2 EI_{\min}}{L^2} = \frac{\pi^2 \times 200 \times 10^3 \times \frac{15 \times 10^3}{12}}{1500^2} = 1096.62 \text{ N} \approx 1.097 \text{ kN}$$

GATE-3d. Ans. (a)

$$P_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EI_{\min}}{L_{eq}^2} \text{ or } P_{cr} \propto \frac{I_{\min}}{L_{eq}^2}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{P_{cr2}}{P} = \frac{I_{\min2}}{I_{\min1}} \times \frac{L_{eq1}^2}{L_{eq2}^2} = \frac{\frac{3a \times (0.5a)^3}{12}}{\frac{2a \times a^3}{12}} \times \left(\frac{h}{1.5h} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$\text{or } P_{cr2} = \frac{P}{12}$$

GATE-4. Ans. (b)

GATE-4a. Ans. (b)

GATE-5. Ans. (c)

Assuming guided end to be fixed and other end given as hinged.

The Euler Critical load

$$P_{cr} = \frac{2\pi^2 EI}{L^2}, \quad I = \frac{\pi}{64} (20)^4 \text{ mm}^4 = 7853.9 \text{ mm}^4$$

$$P_{cr} = \frac{2\pi^2 \times 200 \times 10^3 \times 7853.9}{700^2} = 63.27 \text{ KN}$$

$$FOS = \frac{63.27}{10} = 6.32$$

GATE-5a. Ans. 20000

$$P_{allowable} = \frac{P_{cr}}{fos} = \frac{\frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}}{fos}$$

$$200 \times 10^3 = \frac{\pi^2 \times (12 \times 10^3) \times \frac{a^4}{12}}{3140^2 \times 2}$$

$$area, a^2 = 20000$$

GATE-7. Ans. (d) Use formula $\frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$ It is independent of yield strength.

GATE-8. Ans. (a)

The critical load, $P_c = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 EI}{L^2}$

For first critical load, $n = 1$

$\therefore P_{c_1} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$

GATE-9. Ans. (c)

GATE-6. Ans. (c)

Hoop stress, $\sigma_\theta = \frac{pr}{t}$

Longitudinal stress, $\sigma_z = \frac{pr}{2t} - \frac{F}{2\pi rt}$

Now, for pure shear state, σ_z should be compressive and is equal to σ_θ .

$\therefore \sigma_\theta = -\sigma_z$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{pr}{t} = -\frac{pr}{2t} + \frac{F}{2\pi rt}$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{3pr}{2t} = \frac{F}{2\pi rt}$

$\Rightarrow F = 3\pi pr^2$

GATE-10. Ans. (b)

We know that critical load for a column is proportional to moment of inertia irrespective of end conditions of the column *i.e.*

$$P_{cr} \propto I$$

When the steel strips are perfectly bonded, then

$$P_{pb} = \frac{b \times (2t)^3}{12} = \frac{8bt^3}{12}$$

When the steel strips are not bonded, then

$$I_{wb} = 2 \times \frac{bt^3}{12} = \frac{2bt^3}{12}$$

$\therefore \frac{P}{P_0} = \frac{\frac{8bt^3}{12}}{\frac{2bt^3}{12}}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{P}{P_0} = 4$

GATE-11. Ans. (c)

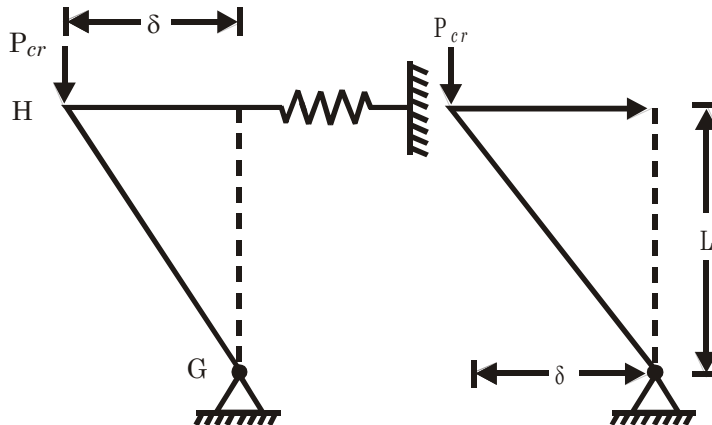
Let the deflection in the spring be δ and force in the spring be F .

Taking moments about G, we get

$$P_{cr} \times \delta = F \times L \quad [\text{But } F = K\delta]$$

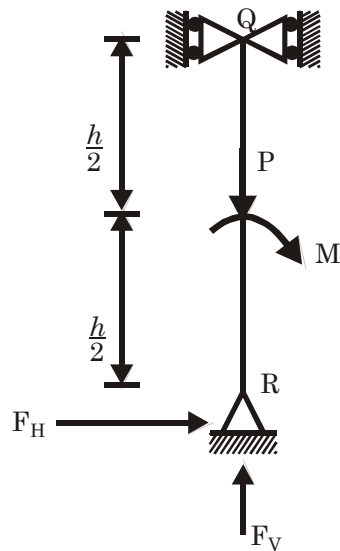
$$\Rightarrow P_{cr} = \frac{K\delta \times L}{\delta}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_{cr} = KL$$



GATE-11a. Ans. (b)

GATE-12. Ans. (c)



$$\Sigma F_Y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow F_V - P = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow F_V = P$$

$$\Sigma M_Q = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow F_H \cdot h - M = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow F_H = \frac{M}{h}$$

IES

IES-1. Ans. (d) A machine part subjected to an axial compressive force is called a **strut**. A strut may be horizontal, inclined or even vertical. But a vertical strut is known as a **column**, **pillar** or **stanchion**.

The term *column* is applied to all such members except those in which failure would be by simple or pure compression. Columns can be categorized then as:

1. Long column with central loading
2. Intermediate-length columns with central loading
3. Columns with eccentric loading

4. Struts or short columns with eccentric loading

IES-2. Ans. (a) Axle is a non-rotating member used for supporting rotating wheels etc. and do not transmit any torque. Axle must resist forces applied laterally or transversely to their axes. Such members are called beams.

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IES-3. Ans. (b)

IES-4. Ans. (b)

IES-5. Ans. (a)

IES-5(i). Ans. (d)

IES-6. Ans. (a)

IES-6(i). Ans. (a)

IES-7. Ans. (b)

IES-8. Ans. (b)

IES-9. Ans. (b) Euler's buckling loads of columns

$$(1) \text{ both ends fixed} = \frac{4\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$$

$$(2) \text{ both ends hinged} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$$

IES-10. Ans. (b)

IES-10(i). Ans. (a)

IES-10(ii). Ans. (d)

IES-11. Ans. (a)

For one end fixed and other end free;

$$P_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{4l^2} \quad \text{or} \quad 10 \times 10^3 = \frac{\pi^2 \times 210 \times 10^9 \times (\pi/64) \times d^4}{4 \times 4^2} \quad \text{or} \quad d \approx 50 \text{ mm}$$

IES-11(i). Ans. (c)

IES-12. Ans. (d)

IES-13. Ans. (a) Critical Load for both ends hinged = $\pi^2 EI / l^2$

And Critical Load for one end fixed, and other end free = $\pi^2 EI / 4l^2$

IES-14. Ans. (a) Original load = $\frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$

When one end of hinged column is fixed and other free. New $L_e = 2L$

$$\therefore \text{New load} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{(2L)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{4L^2} = \frac{1}{4} \times \text{Original value}$$

IES-14a. Ans. (a)

IES-15. Ans. (b)

IES-16. Ans. (d) Critical Load for one end fixed, and other end free is $\pi^2 EI / 4l^2$ and both ends fixed is $4 \pi^2 EI / l^2$

IES-17. Ans. (b) Buckling load of a column will be maximum when both ends are fixed

$$\text{IES-18. Ans. (d)} \quad P = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2} \quad P \propto l \quad \text{or} \quad P \propto d^4 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{p - p'}{p} = \frac{d^4 - (d^4)'}{d^4} = 1 - \left(\frac{0.8d}{d}\right)^4 = 0.59$$

$$\text{IES-19. Ans. (a)} \quad P_{xx} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2} \quad \text{and} \quad P_{yy} = \frac{4\pi^2 EI'}{L^2} \quad \text{as} \quad P_{xx} = P_{yy} \quad \text{then} \quad l = 4l' \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{BH^3}{12} = 4 \times \frac{HB^3}{12} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{H}{B} = 2$$

IES-20. Ans. (d) For column with both ends hinged, $P = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2}$. If 'l' is halved, P will be 4 times.

IES-20(i). Ans. (b)

IES-21. Ans. (a) For long column $P_{\text{Euler}} < P_{\text{crushing}}$

$$\text{or} \quad \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l_e^2} < \sigma_c A \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\pi^2 EAK^2}{l_e^2} < \sigma_c A \quad \text{or} \quad \left(\frac{l_e}{K}\right)^2 > \frac{\pi^2 E}{\sigma_c} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{l_e}{K} > \pi \sqrt{E / \sigma_c}$$

IES-22. Ans. (b)

IES-23. Ans. (c)

IES-24. Ans. (b)

IAS-1. Ans. (b)

IAS-2. Ans. (a)

IAS-3. Ans. (b) Buckling factor: The ratio of equivalent length of the column to the least radius of gyration.

IAS-4. Ans. (b)

IAS-5. Ans. (c) A column with both ends fixed has minimum equivalent effective length ($l/2$)

IAS-6. Ans. (c)

IAS-7. Ans. (d) And Critical Load for one end fixed, and other end free = $\pi^2 EI/4l^2$

IAS-8. Ans. (b)

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question ESE-2001, ESE 2000

Question: Differentiate between strut and column. What is the general expression used for determining of their critical load?

Answer: **Strut:** A member of structure which carries an axial compressive load.

Column: If the strut is vertical it is known as column.

$$\text{For strut failure due to compression or } s_c = \frac{\text{Compressive force}}{\text{Area}}$$

If $s_c > s_{yc}$ it fails.

$$\text{Euler's formula for column } (P_C) = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l_e^2}$$

Conventional Question ESE-2009

Q. Two long columns are made of identical lengths ' l ' and flexural rigidities ' EI '. Column 1 is hinged at both ends whereas for column 2 one end is fixed and the other end is free.

(i) Write the expression for Euler's buckling load for column 1.

(ii) What is the ratio of Euler's buckling load of column 1 to that column 2? [2 Marks]

Ans.

$$(i) \quad P_1 = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}; \quad P_2 = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{4L^2} \text{ (right)}$$

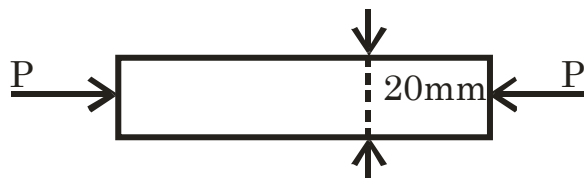
For column 1, both end hinged $l_e = L$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{P_1}{P_2} = 4$$

Conventional Question ESE-2010

Q. The piston rod of diameter 20 mm and length 700 mm in a hydraulic cylinder is subjected to a compressive force of 10 kN due to internal pressure. The piston end of the rod is guided along the cylinder and the other end of the rod is hinged at the cross-head. The modulus of elasticity for piston rod material is 200 GPa. Estimate the factor of safety taken for the piston rod design. [2 Marks]

Ans.



$\sigma = \frac{P}{A}$; $\delta = \frac{PL}{AE}$; $\ell_e = \frac{\ell}{\sqrt{2}}$; $P_e = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{\ell_e^2}$ (considering one end of the column is fixed and other end is hinged)

P_e = Euler Crippling load

Compressive load, $P_c = \sigma_c \times \text{Area} = 10 \text{ kN}$

$$\text{Euler's load, } P_e = \frac{2\pi^2 \times (200 \times 10^9) \times (\pi \times 0.020^4 / 64)}{(0.7)^2} = 63.278 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{F.S} = \frac{\text{Euler's load}}{\text{Compressive load}}$$

$$\text{F.S} = \frac{63.278}{10} = 6.3$$

Conventional Question ESE-1999

Question: State the limitation of Euler's formula for calculating critical load on columns

Answer: Assumptions:

- (i) The column is perfectly straight and of uniform cross-section
- (ii) The material is homogenous and isotropic
- (iii) The material behaves elastically
- (iv) The load is perfectly axial and passes through the centroid of the column section.
- (v) The weight of the column is neglected.

Conventional Question ESE-2007

Question: What is the value of Euler's buckling load for an axially loaded pin-ended (hinged at both ends) strut of length 'l' and flexural rigidity 'EI'? What would be order of Euler's buckling load carrying capacity of a similar strut but fixed at both ends in terms of the load carrying capacity of the earlier one?

Answer: From Euler's buckling load formula,

$$\text{Critical load } (P_c) = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{\ell_e^2}$$

Equivalent length $(\ell_e) = \ell$ for both end hinged = $\ell/2$ for both end fixed.

$$\text{So for both end hinged } (P_c)_{beh} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{\ell^2}$$

$$\text{and for both fixed } (P_c)_{bef} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{(\ell/2)^2} = \frac{4\pi^2 EI}{\ell^2}$$

Conventional Question ESE-1996

Question: Euler's critical load for a column with both ends hinged is found as 40 kN. What would be the change in the critical load if both ends are fixed?

Answer: We know that Euler's critical load,

$$P_{\text{Euler}} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{\ell_e^2} \quad [\text{Where } E = \text{modulus of elasticity, } I = \text{least moment of inertia}]$$

ℓ_e = equivalent length]

For both end hinged $(\ell_e) = \ell$

And For both end fixed $(\ell_e) = \ell/2$

$$\therefore (P_{\text{Euler}})_{b.e.h.} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{\ell^2} = 40 \text{ kN (Given)}$$

$$\text{and } (P_{\text{Euler}})_{b.e.f.} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{(\ell/2)^2} = 4 \times \frac{\pi^2 EI}{\ell^2} = 4 \times 40 = 160 \text{ kN}$$

Conventional Question ESE-1999

Question: A hollow cast iron column of 300 mm external diameter and 220 mm internal diameter is used as a column 4 m long with both ends hinged. Determine the safe compressive load the column can carry without buckling using Euler's formula and Rankine's formula

$E = 0.7 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$, FOS = 4, Rankine constant (a) = 1/1600

Crushing Stress (σ_c) = 567 N/mm²

Answer:

Given outer diameter of column (D) = 300 mm = 0.3 m.

Inner diameter of the column (d) = 220 mm = 0.22 m.

Length of the column (ℓ) = 4 m

End conditions is both ends hinged. Therefore equivalent length (ℓ_e) = ℓ = 4 m.

Yield crushing stress (σ_c) = 567 MPa = $567 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$

Rankine constant (a) = 1/1600 and $E = 0.7 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 70 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2$

Moment of Inertia (I) = $\frac{\pi}{64} (D^4 - d^4) = \frac{\pi}{64} [0.3^4 - 0.22^4] = 2.826 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^4$

$$\sqrt{\frac{I}{A}} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\pi}{64} (D^4 - d^4)}{\frac{\pi}{4} (D^2 - d^2)}} = \sqrt{\frac{D^2 + d^2}{16}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.3^2 + 0.22^2}{16}} = 0.093 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Area (A)} = \frac{\pi}{4} (D^2 - d^2) = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.3^2 - 0.22^2) = 0.03267 \text{ m}^2$$

(i) Euler's buckling load, P_{Euler}

$$P_{\text{Euler}} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{\ell_e^2} = \frac{\pi^2 \times (70 \times 10^9) \times (2.826 \times 10^{-4})}{4^2} = 12.2 \text{ MN}$$

$$\therefore \text{Safe load} = \frac{P_{\text{Euler}}}{\text{fos}} = \frac{12.2}{4} = 3.05 \text{ MN}$$

(ii) Rankine's buckling load, P_{Rankine}

$$P_{\text{Rankine}} = \frac{\sigma_c \cdot A}{1 + a \left(\frac{\ell_e}{k} \right)^2} = \frac{(567 \times 10^6) \times 0.03267}{1 + \frac{1}{1600} \times \left(\frac{4}{0.093} \right)^2} = 8.59 \text{ MN}$$

$$\therefore \text{Safe load} = \frac{P_{\text{Rankine}}}{\text{fos}} = \frac{8.59}{4} = 2.148 \text{ MN}$$

Conventional Question ESE-2008

Question: A both ends hinged cast iron hollow cylindrical column 3 m in length has a critical buckling load of P kN. When the column is fixed at both the ends, its critical buckling load raise by 300 kN more. If ratio of external diameter to internal diameter is 1.25 and $E = 100 \text{ GPa}$ determine the external diameter of column.

Answer:
$$P_c = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{I_e^2}$$

For both end hinged column

$$P = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2} \text{ --- (i)}$$

For both end fixed column

$$P+300 = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{\left(\frac{L}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{4\pi^2 EI}{L^2} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Dividing (ii) by (i) we get

$$\frac{P+300}{P} = 4 \quad \text{or } P=100\text{kN}$$

Moment of inertia of a hollow cylinder c/s is

$$I = \frac{\pi}{64} (D^4 - d^4) = \frac{PL^2}{\pi^2 E}$$

$$\text{or } D^4 - d^4 = \frac{64}{\pi} \frac{(100 \times 10^3) 3^2}{\pi^2 \times 100 \times 10^9} = 1.8577 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{given } \frac{D}{d} = 1.25 \quad \text{or } d = \frac{D}{1.25}$$

$$\text{or } D^4 \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.25} \right)^4 \right] = 1.8577 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{or } D = 0.0749 \text{ m} = 74.9 \text{ mm}$$

Conventional Question AMIE-1996

Question: A piston rod of steam engine 80 cm long is subjected to a maximum load of 60 kN. Determine the diameter of the rod using Rankine's formula with permissible compressive stress of 100 N/mm². Take constant in Rankine's formula as $\frac{1}{7500}$ for hinged ends. The rod may be assumed partially fixed with length coefficient of 0.6.

Answer: Given: $l = 80 \text{ cm} = 800 \text{ mm}$; $P = 60 \text{ kN} = 60 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$, $\sigma_c = 100 \text{ N/mm}^2$;

$$a = \frac{1}{7500} \text{ for hinged ends; length coefficient} = 0.6$$

To find diameter of the rod, d:

Use Rankine's formula

$$P = \frac{\sigma_c A}{1 + a \left(\frac{l_e}{k} \right)^2}$$

$$\text{Here } l_e = 0.6l = 0.6 \times 800 = 480 \text{ mm} \quad [\because \text{length coefficient} = 0.6]$$

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{I}{A}} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\pi}{64} d^4}{\frac{\pi}{4} d^2}} = \frac{d}{4}$$

$$\therefore 60 \times 10^3 = \frac{100 \times \left(\frac{\pi}{4} d^2 \right)}{1 + \frac{1}{7500} \left[\frac{480}{d/4} \right]^2}$$

Solving the above equation we get the value of 'd'

Note: Unit of d comes out from the equation will be mm as we put the equivalent length in mm.

$$\text{or } d = 33.23 \text{ mm}$$

Conventional Question ESE-2005

Question: A hollow cylinder CI column, 3 m long its internal and external diameters as 80 mm and 100 mm respectively. Calculate the safe load using Rankine formula: if

- (i) Both ends are hinged and
(ii) Both ends are fixed.

Take crushing strength of material as 600 N/mm^2 , Rankine constant $1/1600$ and factor of safety = 3.

Answer: Moment of Inertia (I) = $\frac{\pi}{64}(0.1^4 - 0.08^4) \text{ m}^4 = 2.898 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^4$

$$\text{Area (A)} = \frac{\pi}{4}(0.1^2 - 0.08^2) = 2.8274 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{Radius of gyration (k)} = \sqrt{\frac{I}{A}} = \sqrt{\frac{2.898 \times 10^{-6}}{2.8274 \times 10^{-3}}} = 0.032 \text{ m}$$

$$P_{\text{Rankine}} = \frac{\sigma_c \cdot A}{1 + a \left(\frac{\ell_e}{k} \right)^2}; \quad [\ell_e = \text{equivalent length}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad &= \frac{(600 \times 10^6) \times (2.8274 \times 10^{-3})}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{1600} \right) \times \left(\frac{3}{0.032} \right)^2}; \quad [\ell_e = l = 3 \text{ m for both end hinged}] \\ &= 261.026 \text{ kN} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Safe load (P)} = \frac{P_{\text{Rankine}}}{\text{FOS}} = \frac{261.026}{3} = 87.09 \text{ kN}$$

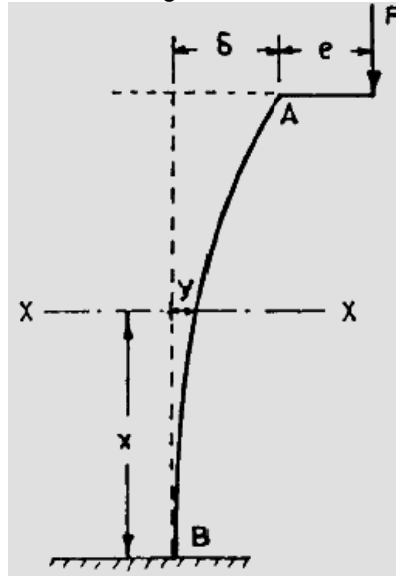
$$\text{(ii) For both end fixed, } \ell_e = \frac{l}{2} = 1.5 \text{ m}$$

$$P_{\text{Rankine}} = \frac{(600 \times 10^6) \times (2.8274 \times 10^{-3})}{1 + \frac{1}{1600} \times \left(\frac{1.5}{0.032} \right)^2} = 714.8 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{Safe load (P)} = \frac{P_{\text{Rankine}}}{\text{FOS}} = \frac{714.8}{3} = 238.27 \text{ kN}$$

Conventional Question AMIE-1997

Question: A slender column is built-in at one end and an eccentric load is applied at the free end. Working from the first principles find the expression for the maximum length of column such that the deflection of the free end does not exceed the eccentricity of loading.



Answer:

Above figure shows a slender column of length 'l'. The column is built in at one end B and eccentric load P is applied at the free end A.

Let y be the deflection at any section XX distant x from the fixed end B. Let δ be the deflection at A.

The bending moment at the section XX is given by

$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = P(\delta + e - y) \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + Py = P(\delta + e) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \frac{P}{EI} y = \frac{P}{EI}(\delta + e)$$

The solution to the above differential equation is

$$y = C_1 \cos \left[x \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \right] + C_2 \sin \left[x \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \right] + (\delta + e) \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Where C_1 and C_2 are the constants.

At the end B, $x = 0$ and $y = 0$

$$\therefore 0 = C_1 \cos 0 + C_2 \sin 0 + (\delta + e)$$

$$\text{or} \quad C_1 = -(\delta + e)$$

Differentiating equation (ii) we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -C_1 \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \sin \left[x \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \right] + C_2 \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \cos \left[x \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \right]$$

Again, at the fixed end B,

$$\text{When } x = 0, \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\therefore 0 = (\delta + e) \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \times 0 + C_2 \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \cos 0$$

$$\text{or} \quad C_2 = 0$$

At the free end A, $x = l, y = \delta$

Substituting for x and y in equation (ii), we have

$$\delta = -(\delta + e) \cos \left[l \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \right] = (\delta + e)$$

$$\therefore \cos \left[l \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \right] = \frac{e}{\delta + e} \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

It is mentioned in the problem that the deflection of the free end does not exceed the eccentricity. It means that $\delta = e$

Substituting this value in equation (iii), we have

$$\cos \left[\ell \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \right] = \frac{e}{\delta + e} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \ell \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\therefore \ell = \frac{\pi}{3} \sqrt{\frac{EI}{P}}$$

Conventional Question ESE-2005

Question: A long strut AB of length ' ℓ ' is of uniform section throughout. A thrust P is applied at the ends eccentrically on the same side of the centre line with eccentricity at the end B twice than that at the end A. Show that the maximum bending moment occurs at a distance x from the end A,

$$\text{Where, } \tan(kx) = \frac{2 - \cos k\ell}{\sin k\ell} \text{ and } k = \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}}$$

Answer: Let at a distance 'x' from end A deflection of the beam is y

$$\therefore EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -P \cdot y$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \frac{P}{EI} y = 0$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + k^2 y = 0 \quad \left[\because k = \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}} \text{ given} \right]$$

C.F of this differential equation

$y = A \cos kx + B \sin kx$, Where A & B constant.

It is clear at $x = 0$, $y = e$

And at $x = \ell$, $y = 2e$

$$\therefore e = A \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

$$2e = A \cos k\ell + B \sin k\ell \quad \text{or } B = \left[\frac{2e - e \cos k\ell}{\sin k\ell} \right]$$

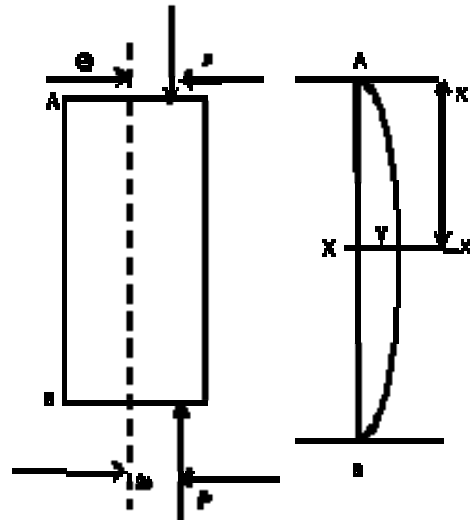
$$\therefore y = e \cos kx + \left[\frac{2e - e \cos k\ell}{\sin k\ell} \right] \sin kx$$

Where bending moment is maximum,

the deflection will be maximum so $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -ek \sin kx + k \left[\frac{2e - e \cos k\ell}{\sin k\ell} \right] \cos kx = 0$$

$$\text{or } \tan kx = \frac{2 - \cos k\ell}{\sin k\ell}$$



Conventional Question ESE-1996

Question: The link of a mechanism is subjected to axial compressive force. It has solid circular cross-section with diameter 9 mm and length 200 mm. The two ends of the link are hinged. It is made of steel having yield strength = 400 N/mm² and elastic modulus = 200 kN/mm². Calculate the critical load that the link can carry. Use Johnon's equation.

Answer: According to Johnson's equation

$$P_{cr} = \sigma_y \cdot A \left[1 - \frac{\sigma_y}{4n\pi^2 E} \left(\frac{\ell}{k} \right)^2 \right]$$

Hear A=area of cross section= $\frac{\pi d^2}{4} = 63.62 \text{ mm}^2$

$$\text{least radius of gyration (k)} = \sqrt{\frac{I}{A}} = \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{\pi d^4}{64} \right)}{\left(\frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right)}} = \frac{d}{4} = 2.25 \text{ mm}$$

For both end hinged $n=1$

$$\therefore P_{cr} = 400 \times 63.62 \left[1 - \frac{400}{4 \times 1 \times \pi^2 \times (200 \times 10^3) \times \left(\frac{200}{2.25} \right)^2} \right] = 15.262 \text{ kN}$$

Conventional Question GATE-1995

Question: Find the shortest length of a hinged steel column having a rectangular cross-section $600 \text{ mm} \times 100 \text{ mm}$, for which the elastic Euler formula applies. Take yield strength and modulus of elasticity value for steel as 250 MPa and 200 GPa respectively.

Answer: Given: Cross-section, $(= b \times d) = 600 \text{ mm} \times 100 \text{ mm} = 0.6 \text{ m} \times 0.1 \text{ m} = 0.06 \text{ m}^2$;

$$\text{Yield strength} = \frac{P}{A} = 250 \text{ MPa} = 250 \text{ MN} / \text{m}^2; E = 200 \text{ GPa} = 200 \times 10^{12} \text{ N} / \text{m}^2$$

Length of the column, L :

$$\text{Least area moment of Inertia, } I = \frac{bd^3}{12} = \frac{0.6 \times 0.1^3}{12} = 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^4$$

$$\text{Also, } k^2 = \frac{I}{A} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-5}}{0.6 \times 0.1} = 8.333 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$$

[$\because I = AK^2$ (where A = area of cross-section, k = radius of gyration)]

From Euler's formula for column, we have

$$\text{Crushing load, } P_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L_e^2} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$$

For both end hinged type of column, $L_e = L$

$$\text{or } P_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EAK^2}{L^2}$$

$$\text{or } \text{Yield stress} \left(\frac{P_{cr}}{A} \right) = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$$

$$\text{or } L^2 = \frac{\pi^2 Ek^2}{(P_{cr} / A)}$$

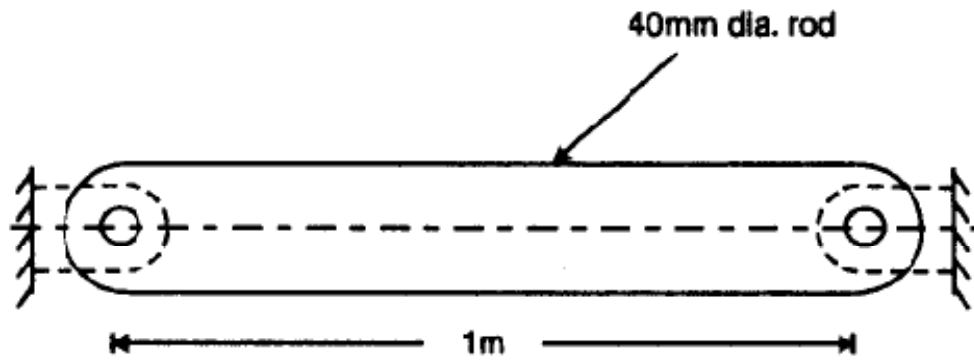
Substituting the value, we get

$$L^2 = \frac{\pi^2 \times 200 \times 10^9 \times 0.0008333}{250 \times 10^6} = 6.58$$

$$L = 2.565 \text{ m}$$

Conventional Question GATE-1993

Question: Determine the temperature rise necessary to induce buckling in a 1 m long circular rod of diameter 40 mm shown in the Figure below. Assume the rod to be pinned at its ends and the coefficient of thermal expansion as $20 \times 10^{-6} / ^\circ \text{C}$. Assume uniform heating of the bar.



Answer: Let us assume the buckling load be 'P'.

$$\delta L = L \cdot \alpha \cdot \Delta t, \text{ Where } \Delta t \text{ is the temperature rise.}$$

$$\text{or} \quad \Delta t = \frac{\delta L}{L \cdot \alpha}$$

$$\text{Also,} \quad \delta L = \frac{PL}{AE} \quad \text{or} \quad P = \frac{\delta L \cdot AE}{L}$$

$$P_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L_e^2} \quad \text{--- (where } L_e = \text{equivalent length)}$$

$$\text{or} \quad \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2} = \frac{\delta L \cdot A \cdot E}{L} \quad [QL_e = L \text{ For both end hinged}]$$

$$\text{or} \quad \delta L = \frac{\pi^2 I}{LA}$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{\delta L}{L \cdot \alpha} = \frac{\pi^2 I}{LA \cdot L \cdot \alpha} = \frac{\pi^2 I}{L^2 A \cdot \alpha}$$

Substituting the values, we get

$$\text{Temperature rise } \Delta t = \frac{\pi^2 \times \frac{\pi}{64} \times (0.040)^4}{(1)^2 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times (0.040)^2 \times 20 \times 10^{-6}} = 49.35^\circ \text{C}$$

So the rod will buckle when the temperature rises more than 49.35°C .

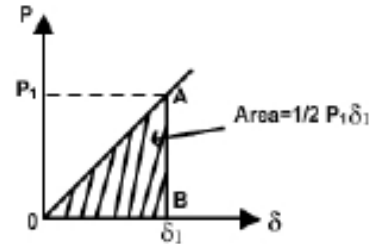
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Strain Energy Method

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

1. Resilience (U)

- Resilience is an ability of a material to absorb energy when elastically deformed and to return it when unloaded.
- The strain energy stored in a specimen when strained *within* the elastic limit is known as resilience.



$$U = \frac{\sigma^2}{2E} \times \text{Volume} \quad \text{or} \quad U = \frac{\epsilon^2 E}{2} \times \text{Volume}$$

2. Proof Resilience

- Maximum strain energy stored at elastic limit. i.e. the strain energy stored in the body *upto* elastic limit.
- This is the property of the material that enables it to resist shock and impact by storing energy. The measure of proof resilience is the strain energy absorbed per unit volume.

3. Modulus of Resilience (u)

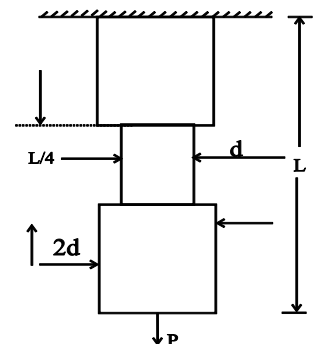
The proof resilience per unit volume is known as modulus of resilience.

If σ is the stress due to gradually applied load, then

$$u = \frac{\sigma^2}{2E} \quad \text{or} \quad u = \frac{\epsilon^2 E}{2}$$

4. Application

$$U = \frac{P^2 L}{2AE} = \frac{P^2 \frac{3}{4} L}{2 \frac{\pi}{4} (2d)^2 E} + \frac{P^2 \cdot \frac{L}{4}}{2 \cdot \frac{\pi d^2}{4} E}$$



Strain energy becomes smaller & smaller as the cross sectional area of bar is increased over more & more of its length i.e. $A \uparrow, U \downarrow$

5. Toughness

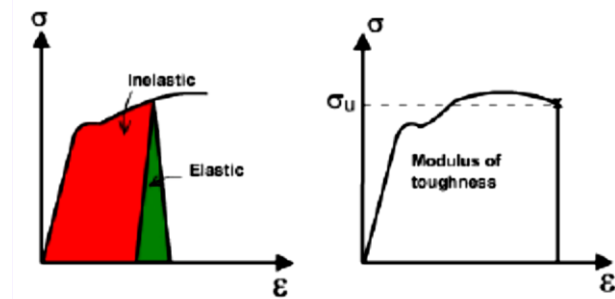
- This is the property which enables a material to be twisted, bent or stretched under impact load or high stress before rupture. It may be considered to be the ability of the material to

absorb energy in the plastic zone. The measure of toughness is the amount of energy absorbed after being stressed upto the point of fracture.

- Toughness is an ability to absorb energy in the plastic range.
- The ability to withstand occasional stresses above the yield stress without fracture.
- Toughness = strength + ductility
- The materials with higher modulus of toughness are used to make components and structures that will be exposed to sudden and impact loads.
- Tenacity is defined as the work required to stretch the material after the initial resistance is overcome.

Modulus of Toughness

- The ability of unit volume of material to absorb energy in the plastic range.
- The amount of work per unit volume that the material can withstand without failure.
- The area under the entire stress strain diagram is called *modulus of toughness*, which is a measure of energy that can be absorbed by the unit volume of material due to impact loading before it fractures.



$$U_T = \sigma_u \epsilon_f$$

6. Strain energy in shear and torsion

- Strain energy per unit volume, (u_s)

$$u_s = \frac{\tau^2}{2G} \text{ or, } u_s = \frac{G\gamma^2}{2}$$

- Total Strain Energy (U) for a Shaft in Torsion

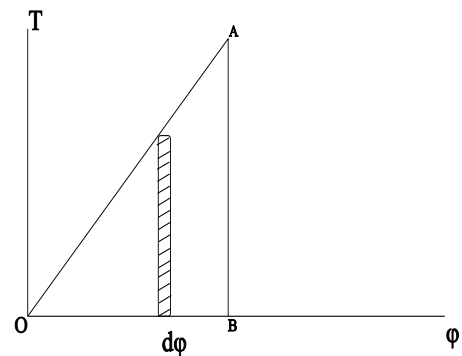
$$U_s = \frac{1}{2} T \phi$$

$$\therefore U_s = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{T^2 L}{GJ} \right) \text{ or } \frac{1}{2} \frac{GJ \phi^2}{L}$$

$$\text{or } U_s = \frac{\tau_{\max}^2}{2G} \frac{2\pi L}{r^2} \int \rho^2 d\rho$$

- Cases

$$\bullet \text{Solid shaft, } U_s = \frac{\tau_{\max}^2}{4G} \times \pi r^2 L$$



$$\bullet \text{Hollow shaft, } U_s = \frac{\tau_{\max}^2}{4G} \times \frac{\pi(D^4 - d^4)L}{D^2} = \frac{\tau_{\max}^2}{4G} \times \frac{(D^2 + d^2)}{D^2} \times \text{Volume}$$

$$\bullet \text{Thin walled tube, } U_s = \frac{\tau^2}{4G} \times sLt$$

where s = Length of mean centre line

$$\bullet \text{Conical spring, } U_s = \frac{GJ}{2} \int \left(\frac{d\phi}{dx} \right)^2 dx = \frac{GJ}{2} \int_0^{2\pi n} \left(\frac{PR}{GJ} \right)^2 \cdot R \cdot d\alpha \quad (R = \text{Radius})$$

$$= \frac{P^2}{2GJ} \int_0^{2\pi n} R^3 d\alpha \quad (R \text{ varies with } \alpha)$$

$$\bullet \text{Cantilever beam with load 'p' at end, } U_s = \frac{3}{5} \left(\frac{P^2 L}{bhG} \right)$$

$$\bullet \text{Helical spring, } U_s = \frac{\pi P^2 R^3 n}{GJ} \quad (\because L = 2\pi Rn)$$

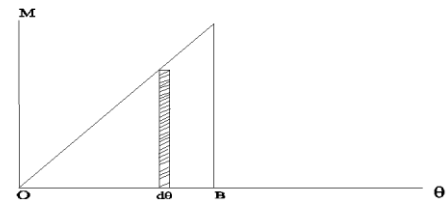
7. Strain energy in bending.

$$\bullet \text{Angle subtended by arc, } \theta = \int \frac{M_x}{EI} \cdot dx$$

• Strain energy stored in beam.

$$U_b = \int_0^L \frac{M_x^2}{2EI} \cdot dx$$

$$\text{or } U_b = \frac{EI}{2} \int_0^L \left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right)^2 dx \quad \left(\because \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\frac{M}{EI} \right)$$



• Cases

$$\circ \text{Cantilever beam with a end load P, } U_b = \frac{P^2 L^3}{6EI}$$

$$\circ \text{Simply supported with a load P at centre, } U_b = \frac{P^2 L^3}{96EI}$$

• Important Note

○ For pure bending

• M is constant along the length 'L'

$$\bullet \theta = \frac{ML}{EI}$$

$$\bullet U = \frac{M^2 L}{2EI} \text{ if M is known} = \frac{EI \theta^2}{2L} \text{ if curvature } \theta / L \text{ is known}$$

○ For non-uniform bending

• Strain energy in shear is neglected

• Strain energy in bending is only considered.

8. Castigliano's theorem

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial P_n} = \delta_n$$

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial p} = \frac{1}{EI} \int M_x \left(\frac{\partial M_x}{\partial p} \right) dx$$

- **Note:**

- Strain energy, stored due to direct stress in 3 coordinates

$$U = \frac{1}{2E} \left[\sum (\sigma_x)^2 - 2\mu \sum \sigma_x \sigma_y \right]$$

- If $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = \sigma_z$, in case of equal stress in 3 direction then

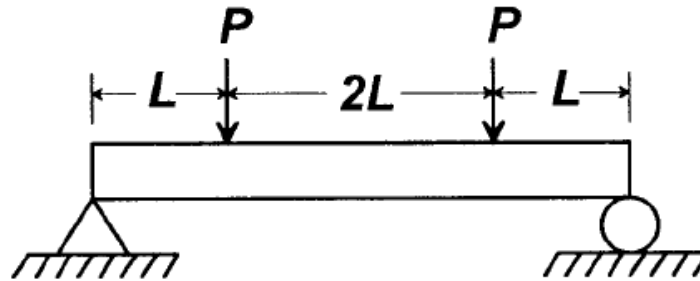
$$U = \frac{3\sigma^2}{2E} [1 - 2\mu] = \frac{\sigma^2}{2k} \quad (\text{volume strain energy})$$

OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Strain Energy or Resilience

GATE-1. The strain energy stored in the beam with flexural rigidity EI and loaded as shown in the figure is: [GATE-2008]



- (a) $\frac{P^2 L^3}{3EI}$ (b) $\frac{2P^2 L^3}{3EI}$ (c) $\frac{4P^2 L^3}{3EI}$ (d) $\frac{8P^2 L^3}{3EI}$

GATE-2. $\frac{PL^3}{3EI}$ is the deflection under the load P of a cantilever beam length L , modulus of elasticity, E , moment of inertia- I . The strain energy due to bending is: [GATE-1993, 2017, ISRO-2015]

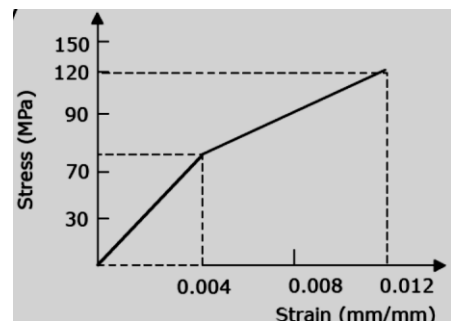
- (a) $\frac{P^2 L^3}{3EI}$ (b) $\frac{P^2 L^3}{6EI}$ (c) $\frac{P^2 L^3}{4EI}$ (d) $\frac{P^2 L^3}{48EI}$

GATE-2(i). U_1 and U_2 are the strain energies stored in a prismatic bar due to axial tensile forces P_1 and P_2 , respectively. The strain energy U stored in the same bar due to combined action of P_1 and P_2 will be [CE: GATE-2007]

- (a) $U = U_1 + U_2$ (b) $U = U_1 U_2$
(c) $U < U_1 + U_2$ (d) $U > U_1 + U_2$

GATE-3. The stress-strain behaviour of a material is shown in figure. Its resilience and toughness, in Nm/m^3 , are respectively

- (a) 28×10^4 , 76×10^4
(b) 28×10^4 , 48×10^4
(c) 14×10^4 , 90×10^4
(d) 76×10^4



[GATE-2000]

GATE-4. A square bar of side 4 cm and length 100 cm is subjected to an axial load P . The same bar is then used as a cantilever beam and subjected to all end load P . The ratio of the strain energies, stored in the bar in the second case to that stored in the first case, is: [GATE-1998]

- (a) 16 (b) 400 (c) 1000 (d) 2500

GATE-4(i) For linear elastic systems, the type of displacement function for the strain energy is

- (a) linear (b) quadratic (c) cubic (d) quartic [CE: GATE-2004]

GATE-4(ii) A mild steel specimen is under uniaxial tensile stress. Young's modulus and yield stress for mild steel are 2×10^5 MPa and 250 MPa respectively. The maximum amount of strain energy per unit volume that can be stored in this specimen without permanent set is

- (a) 156 Nmm/mm³ (b) 15.6 Nmm/mm³ (c) 1.56 Nmm/mm³ (d) 0.156 Nmm/mm³ [CE: GATE-2008]

Toughness

GATE-5. The total area under the stress-strain curve of a mild steel specimen tested up to failure under tension is a measure of [GATE-2002]

- (a) Ductility (b) Ultimate strength (c) Stiffness (d) Toughness

GATE-6. For a ductile material, toughness is a measure of [GATE-2013]

- (a) resistance to scratching (b) ability to absorb energy up to fracture
(c) ability to absorb energy till elastic limit (d) resistance to indentation

GATE-6a. Consider the following statements:

[PI: GATE-2016]

- (P) Hardness is the resistance of a material to indentation.
(Q) Elastic modulus is a measure of ductility.
(R) Deflection depends on stiffness.
(S) The total area under the stress-strain curve is a measure of resilience.

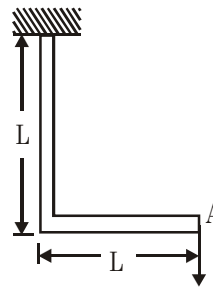
Among the above statements, the correct ones are

- (a) P and Q only. (b) Q and S only. (c) P and R only. (d) R and S only.

Castigliano's Theorem

GATE-7. A frame is subjected to a load P as shown in the figure. The frame has a constant flexural rigidity EI . The effect of axial load is neglected. The deflection at point A due to the applied load P is [GATE-2014, ISRO-2015]

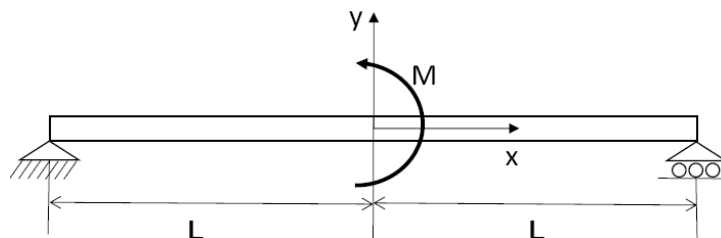
- (a) $\frac{1}{3} \frac{PL^3}{EI}$ (b) $\frac{2}{3} \frac{PL^3}{EI}$
(c) $\frac{PL^3}{EI}$ (d) $\frac{4}{3} \frac{PL^3}{EI}$



GATE-8. A simply supported beam of length $2L$ is subjected to a moment M at the mid-point $x = 0$ as shown in the figure. The deflection in the domain $0 \leq x \leq L$ is given

by
$$y = \frac{-Mx}{12EI} (L-x)(x+c)$$
 [GATE-2016]

where E is the Young's modulus, I is the area moment of inertia and c is a constant (to be determined).



The slope at the center $x = 0$ is

(a) $ML/(2EI)$

(b) $ML/(3EI)$

(c) $ML/(6EI)$

(d) $ML/(12EI)$

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Strain Energy or Resilience

IES-1. What is the strain energy stored in a body of volume V with stress σ due to gradually applied load? [IES-2006]

(a) $\frac{\sigma E}{V}$

(b) $\frac{\sigma E^2}{V}$

(c) $\frac{\sigma V^2}{E}$

(d) $\frac{\sigma^2 V}{2E}$

Where, E = Modulus of elasticity

IES-1a. The capacity of a material to absorb energy when deformed elastically and then to have this energy recovered upon unloading is called [IES-2016]

(a) endurance

(b) resilience

(c) toughness

(d) ductility

IES-1b. A circular bar L m long and d m in diameter is subjected to tensile force of F kN. Then the strain energy, U will be (where, E is the modulus of elasticity in kN/m^2) [IES-2012]

(a) $\frac{4F^2}{\pi d^2} \cdot \frac{L}{E}$

(b) $\frac{F^2}{\pi d^2} \cdot \frac{L}{E}$

(c) $\frac{2F^2}{\pi d^2} \cdot \frac{L}{E}$

(d) $\frac{3F^2}{\pi d^2} \cdot \frac{L}{E}$

IES-1c. Statement (I): Ductile materials generally absorb more impact energy than the brittle materials.

Statement (II): Ductile materials generally have higher ultimate strength than brittle materials. [IES-2012]

(a) Both Statement (I) and Statement (II) are individually true and Statement (II) is the correct explanation of Statement (I)

(b) Both Statement (I) and Statement (II) are individually true but Statement (II) is not the correct explanation of Statement (I)

(c) Statement (I) is true but Statement (II) is false

(d) Statement (I) is false but Statement (II) is true

IES-2. A bar having length L and uniform cross-section with area A is subjected to both tensile force P and torque T . If G is the shear modulus and E is the Young's modulus, the internal strain energy stored in the bar is: [IES-2003]

(a) $\frac{T^2 L}{2GJ} + \frac{P^2 L}{AE}$

(b) $\frac{T^2 L}{GJ} + \frac{P^2 L}{2AE}$

(c) $\frac{T^2 L}{2GJ} + \frac{P^2 L}{2AE}$

(d) $\frac{T^2 L}{GJ} + \frac{P^2 L}{AE}$

IES-3. Strain energy stored in a body of volume V subjected to uniform stress s is:

[IES-2002]

(a) $s E / V$

(b) $s E^2 / V$

(c) $s V^2 / E$

(d) $s^2 V / 2E$

IES-4. A bar of length L and of uniform cross-sectional area A and second moment of area 'I' is subjected to a pull P . If Young's modulus of elasticity of the bar material is E , the expression for strain energy stored in the bar will be:

[IES-1999]

(a) $\frac{P^2 L}{2AE}$

(b) $\frac{PL^2}{2EI}$

(c) $\frac{PL^2}{AE}$

(d) $\frac{P^2 L}{AE}$

IES-4a. The strain energy per unit volume of a round bar under uniaxial tension with axial stress and modulus of elasticity E is [IES-2016]

(a) $\frac{\sigma^2}{E}$

(b) $\frac{\sigma^2}{2E}$

(c) $\frac{\sigma^2}{3E}$

(d) $\frac{\sigma^2}{4E}$

IES-5. Which one of the following gives the correct expression for strain energy stored in a beam of length L and of uniform cross-section having moment of inertia ' I ' and subjected to constant bending moment M ? [IES-1997]

- (a) $\frac{ML}{EI}$ (b) $\frac{ML}{2EI}$ (c) $\frac{M^2L}{EI}$ (d) $\frac{M^2L}{2EI}$

IES-6. A steel specimen 150 mm^2 in cross-section stretches by 0.05 mm over a 50 mm gauge length under an axial load of 30 kN . What is the strain energy stored in the specimen? (Take $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$) [IES-2009]

- (a) 0.75 N-m (b) 1.00 N-m (c) 1.50 N-m (d) 3.00 N-m

IES-7. What is the expression for the strain energy due to bending of a cantilever beam (length L , modulus of elasticity E and moment of inertia I)? [IES-2009]

- (a) $\frac{P^2L^3}{3EI}$ (b) $\frac{P^2L^3}{6EI}$ (c) $\frac{P^2L^3}{4EI}$ (d) $\frac{P^2L^3}{48EI}$

IES-7(i). A cantilever beam, 2 m in length, is subjected to a uniformly distributed load of 5 kN/m . If $E=200 \text{ GPa}$ and $I=1000 \text{ cm}^4$, the strain energy stored in the beam will be

- (a) 7 Nm (b) 12 Nm (c) 8 Nm (d) 10 Nm [IES-2014]

IES-8. The property by which an amount of energy is absorbed by a material without plastic deformation, is called: [IES-2000]

- (a) Toughness (b) Impact strength (c) Ductility (d) Resilience

IES-8a. Resilience of material becomes important when it is subjected to :

- (a) Fatigue (b) Thermal stresses
(c) Shock loading (d) Pure static loading [IES-2011]

IES-8b. Which one of the following statements is correct?

- (a) The strain produced per unit volume is called resilience.
(b) The maximum strain produced per unit volume is called proof resilience.
(c) The least strain energy stored in a unit volume is called proof resilience.
(d) The greatest strain energy stores in a unit volume of a material without permanent deformation is called proof resilience. [IES-2017 Prelims]

IES-9. $30 \text{ C } 8$ steel has its yield strength of 400 N/mm^2 and modulus of elasticity of $2 \times 10^5 \text{ MPa}$. Assuming the material to obey Hooke's law up to yielding, what is its proof resilience? [IES-2006]

- (a) 0.8 N/mm^2 (b) 0.4 N/mm^2 (c) 0.6 N/mm^2 (d) 0.7 N/mm^2

IES9a. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists: [IES-2010]

List I

- A. Point of inflection
B. Shearing strain
C. Section modulus
D. Modulus of resilience

List II

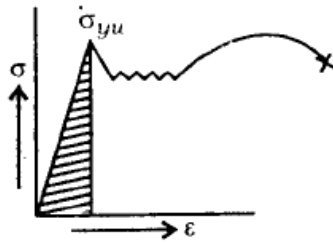
1. Strain energy
2. Equation of bending
3. Equation of torsion
4. Bending moment diagram

Code:	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
(a)	1	3	2	4	(b)	4	3	2
(c)	1	2	3	4	(d)	4	2	3

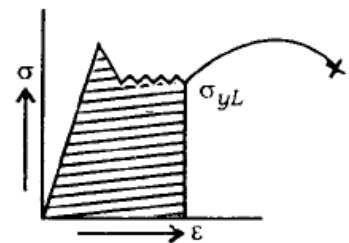
Toughness

IES-10. Toughness for mild steel under uni-axial tensile loading is given by the shaded portion of the stress-strain diagram as shown in [IES-2003]

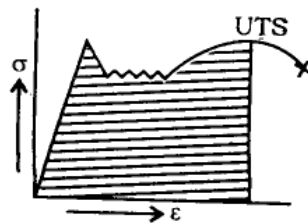
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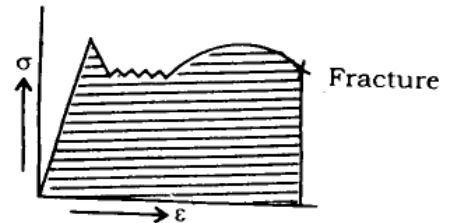
(b)



(c)



(d)



Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Strain Energy or Resilience

IAS-1. Total strain energy stored in a simply supported beam of span, 'L' and flexural rigidity 'EI' subjected to a concentrated load 'W' at the centre is equal to:

[IAS-1995]

- (a) $\frac{W^2 L^3}{40EI}$ (b) $\frac{W^2 L^3}{60EI}$ (c) $\frac{W^2 L^3}{96EI}$ (d) $\frac{W^2 L^3}{240EI}$

IAS-2. If the cross-section of a member is subjected to a uniform shear stress of intensity 'q' then the strain energy stored per unit volume is equal to (G = modulus of rigidity).

[IAS-1994]

- (a) $2q^2/G$ (b) $2G/q^2$ (c) $q^2/2G$ (d) $G/2q^2$

IAS-4. Which one of the following statements is correct?

[IAS-2004]

The work done in stretching an elastic string varies

- (a) As the square of the extension (b) As the square root of the extension
(c) Linearly with the extension (d) As the cube root of the extension

Toughness

IAS-5. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

[IAS-1996]

List-I (Mechanical properties)

- A. Ductility
B. Hardness
C. Malleability
D. Toughness

List-II (Meaning of properties)

1. Resistance to indentation
2. Ability to absorb energy during plastic deformation
3. Percentage of elongation
4. Ability to be rolled into flat product

Codes:	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
(a)	1	4	3	2	(b)	3	2	4
(c)	2	3	4	1	(d)	3	1	4

IAS-6. Match List-I (Material properties) with List-II (Technical definition/requirement) and select the correct answer using the codes below the lists:

[IAS-1999]

List-I

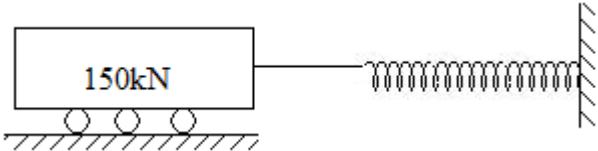
- A. Hardness

List-II

1. Percentage of elongation

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B. Toughness				2. Resistance to indentation							
C. Malleability				3. Ability to absorb energy during plastic deformation							
D. Ductility				4. Ability to be rolled into plates							
Codes:	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D			
(a)	3	2	1	4	(b)	2	3	4	1		
(c)	2	4	3	1	(d)	1	3	4	2		

- IAS-7. A truck weighing 150 kN and travelling at 2m/sec impacts which a buffer spring which compresses 1.25cm per 10 kN. The maximum compression of the spring is: [IAS-1995]
- (a) 20.00 cm
 (b) 22.85 cm
 (c) 27.66 cm
 (d) 30.00 cm



OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{GATE-1. Ans. (C)} \quad \int_0^{4L} \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} &= \int_0^L \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} + \int_L^{3L} \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} + \int_{3L}^{4L} \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} \\
 &= 2 \int_0^L \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} + \int_L^{3L} \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} \quad \left[\text{By symmetry } \int_0^L \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} = \int_{3L}^{4L} \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} \right] \\
 &= 2 \int_0^L \frac{(Px)^2 dx}{2EI} + \int_L^{3L} \frac{(PL)^2 dx}{2EI} = \frac{4P^2 L^3}{3EI}
 \end{aligned}$$

GATE-2. Ans. (b) We may do it taking average

$$\text{Strain energy} = \text{Average force} \times \text{displacement} = \left(\frac{P}{2} \right) \times \frac{PL^3}{3EI} = \frac{P^2 L^3}{6EI}$$

Alternative method: In a funny way you may use Castigliano's theorem, $\delta = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta &= \frac{\partial U}{\partial P} = \frac{PL^3}{3EI} \text{ or } U = \int \partial U = \int \frac{PL^3}{3EI} \partial P \text{ Partially integrating with respect to P we get} \\
 U &= \frac{P^2 L^3}{6EI}
 \end{aligned}$$

GATE-2(i). Ans. (d)

$$\text{We know that Strain Energy, } U = \frac{P^2 L}{2AE}$$

It is obvious from the above equation that strain energy is proportional to the square of load applied. We know that sum of squares of two numbers is less than the square of their sum. Thus $U > U_1 + U_2$.

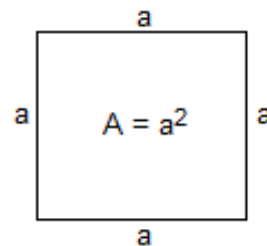
GATE-3. Ans. (c) Resilience = area under this curve up to 0.004 strain

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 0.004 \times 70 \times 10^6 = 14 \times 10^4 \text{ Nm/m}^3$$

Toughness = area under this curve up to 0.012 strain

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 14 \times 10^4 + 70 \times 10^6 \times (0.012 - 0.004) + \frac{1}{2} \times (0.012 - 0.004) \times (120 - 70) \times 10^6 \text{ Nm/m}^3 \\
 &= 90 \times 10^4 \text{ Nm/m}^3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{GATE-4. Ans. (d)} \quad U_1 &= \frac{\left(\frac{W}{A} \right)^2 AL}{2E} = \frac{W^2 L}{2AE} \\
 U_2 &= \frac{W^2 L^3}{6EI} = \frac{W^2 L^3}{6E \left(\frac{1}{12} a^4 \right)} = \frac{2W^2 L^3}{Ea^4} \\
 \text{or } \frac{U_2}{U_1} &= \frac{4L^2}{a^2} = 4 \times \left(\frac{100}{4} \right)^2 = 2500
 \end{aligned}$$



GATE-4(i) Ans. (b)

$$\text{Strain Energy} = \frac{1}{2} \times \sigma \times \varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} E \varepsilon^2$$

GATE-4(ii) Ans. (d)

The strain energy per unit volume may be given as

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\sigma_y^2}{E} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{(250)^2}{2 \times 10^5} = 0.156 \text{ N-mm/mm}^3$$

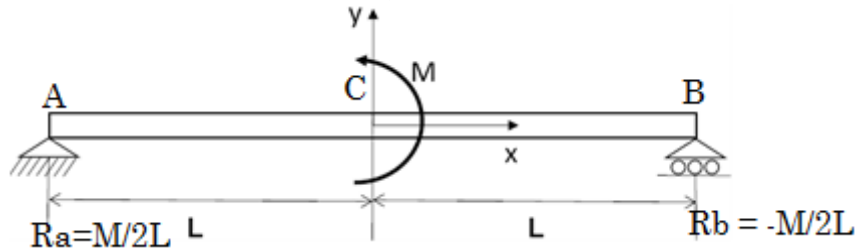
GATE-5. Ans. (d)

GATE-6. Ans. (b)

GATE-6a. Ans. (c) Percentage elongation is a measure of ductility. The total area under the stress-strain curve is a measure of modulus of toughness.

GATE-7. Ans. (d)

GATE-8. Ans. (c) Here we may use $\text{slope}(\theta) = \frac{dy}{dx}$ but problem is that 'c' is unknown. Finding 'c' is difficult. Easiest method is use Castigliano's Theorem.

Total Strain Energy (U) = $U_{AC} + U_{BC}$

$$U = \int_0^L \frac{(R_a x)^2}{2EI} dx + \int_0^L \frac{(R_b x)^2}{2EI} dx = 2 \int_0^L \frac{(M/2L \cdot x)^2}{2EI} dx = \frac{M^2 L}{12EI}$$

According to Castigliano's Theorem

$$\text{Slope}(\theta) = \frac{\partial U}{\partial M} = \frac{2ML}{12EI} = \frac{ML}{6EI}$$

IES

IES-1. Ans. (d) Strain Energy = $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sigma^2}{E} \times V$

IES-1a. Ans. (b)

IES-1b. Ans. (c)

IES-1c. Ans. (c)

IES-2. Ans. (c) Internal strain energy = $\frac{1}{2} P \delta + \frac{1}{2} T \theta = \frac{1}{2} P \frac{PL}{AE} + \frac{1}{2} T \frac{TL}{GJ}$

IES-3. Ans. (d)

IES-4. Ans. (a) Strain energy = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{stress} \times \text{strain} \times \text{volume} = \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{P}{A}\right) \times \left(\frac{P}{A} \cdot \frac{L}{E}\right) \times (AL) = \frac{PL^2}{2AE}$

IES-4a. Ans. (b)

IES-5. Ans. (d)

IES-6. Ans. (a) Strain Energy stored in the specimen

$$= \frac{1}{2} P \delta = \frac{1}{2} P \left(\frac{PL}{AE} \right) = \frac{P^2 L}{2AE} = \frac{(30000)^2 \times 50 \times 10^{-3}}{2 \times 150 \times 10^{-6} \times 200 \times 10^9} = 0.75 \text{ N-m}$$

IES-7. Ans. (b) Strain Energy Stored = $\int_0^L \frac{(Px)^2 dx}{2E} = \frac{P^2}{2EI} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^L = \frac{P^2 L^3}{6EI}$

IES-7(i). Ans. (d)

$$U = \frac{\int_0^L M_x^2 dx}{2EI} = \frac{\int_0^L \left(\frac{Wx^2}{2} \right)^2 dx}{2EI} = \frac{W^2}{8EI} \int_0^L x^4 dx = \frac{25 \times 10^6}{8 \times 200 \times 10^9 \times 1000 \times 10^{-8}} \times \frac{2^5}{5} = 10 \text{ Nm}$$

IES-8. Ans. (d)

IES-8a. Ans. (c)

IES-8b. Ans. (d)

IES-9. Ans. (b) Proof resilience (R_p) = $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sigma^2}{E} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{(400)^2}{2 \times 10^5} = 0.4 \text{ N/mm}^2$

IES9a Ans. (b)

IES-10. Ans. (d) Toughness of material is the total area under stress-strain curve.

IAS

$$\text{IAS-1. Ans. (c) Strain energy} = \int_0^L \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} = 2 \times \int_0^{L/2} \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} = \frac{1}{EI} \times \int_0^{L/2} \left(\frac{Wx}{2} \right)^2 dx = \frac{WL^3}{96EI}$$

Alternative method: In a funny way you may use Castigliano's theorem, $\delta = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial W}$

We know that $\delta = \frac{WL^3}{48EI}$ for simply supported beam in concentrated load at mid span.

Then $\delta = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial W} = \frac{WL^3}{48EI}$ or $U = \int \partial U = \int \frac{WL^3}{48EI} \partial W$ partially integrating with respect to W we get $U = \frac{W^2 L^3}{96EI}$

IAS-2. Ans. (c)

$$\text{IAS-4. Ans. (a)} \quad \frac{\sigma^2}{2E} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^2 \quad E = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{(\delta l)^2}{L^2} \right] E$$

IAS-5. Ans. (d)

IAS-6. Ans. (b)

IAS-7. Ans. (c) Kinetic energy of the truck = strain energy of the spring

$$\frac{1}{2} mv^2 = \frac{1}{2} kx^2 \quad \text{or } x = \sqrt{\frac{mv^2}{k}} = \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{150 \times 10^3}{9.81} \right) \times 2^2}{\left[\frac{10 \times 1000}{0.0125} \right]}} = 0.2766 \text{ m} = 27.66 \text{ cm}$$

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question IES 2009

Q. A close coiled helical spring made of wire diameter d has mean coil radius R , number of turns n and modulus of rigidity G . The spring is subjected to an axial compression W .

- (1) Write the expression for the stiffness of the spring.
- (2) What is the magnitude of the maximum shear stress induced in the spring wire neglecting the curvature effect? [2 Marks]

Ans. (1) Spring stiffness, $K = \frac{W}{X} = \frac{Gd^4}{8nD^3}$

(2) Maximum shear stress, $\tau = \frac{8WD}{\pi d^3}$

Conventional Question IES 2010

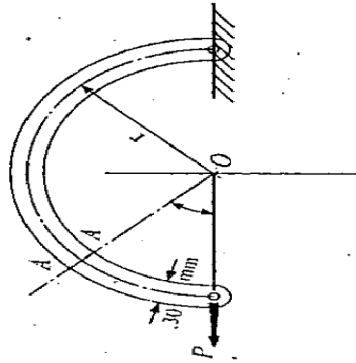
Q. A semicircular steel ring of mean radius 300 mm is suspended vertically with the top end fixed as shown in the above figure and carries a vertical load of 200 N at the lowest point.

Calculate the vertical deflection of the lower end if the ring is of rectangular cross-section 20 mm thick and 30 mm wide.

Value of Elastic modulus is $2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$.

Influence of circumferential and shearing forces may be neglected.

[10 Marks]



Ans.

Load applied, $F = 200 \text{ N}$

Mean Radius, $R = 300 \text{ mm}$

Elastic modulus, $E = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$

I = Inertia of moment of cross – section

$$I = \frac{bd^3}{12} \quad b = 20 \text{ mm}$$

$$d = 30 \text{ mm}$$

$$= \frac{20 \times (30)^3}{12} = 45,000 \text{ mm}^4$$

\Rightarrow Influence of circumferential and shearing force are neglected strain energy at the section.

$$u = \int_0^\pi \frac{M^2 R d \theta}{2EI} \quad \text{for } \frac{R}{4} \geq 10$$

$$M = F \times R \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial M}{\partial F} = R \sin \theta$$

$$\delta = \frac{\partial u}{\partial F} = \int_0^\pi \frac{F R^2 \sin^2 \theta}{EI} d\theta \Rightarrow \frac{F R^2}{2EI} \times \pi$$

$$\delta = \frac{\pi F R^2}{2EI} = \frac{\pi \times 200 \times (300)^2}{2 \times 2 \times 10^5 \times 45000}$$

$$\delta = 0.942 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} = 0.942 \text{ mm}$$

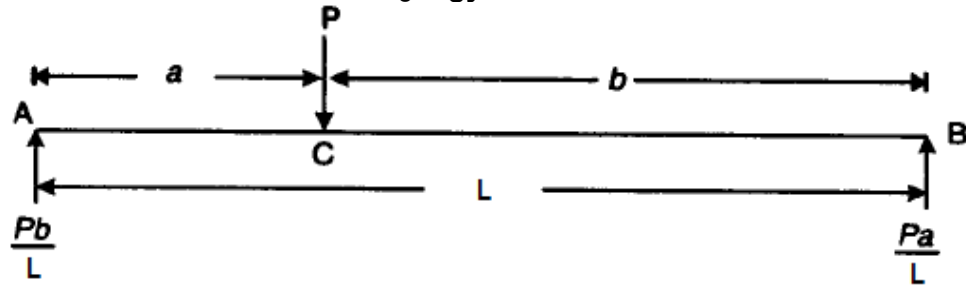
Conventional Question GATE-1996

Question: A simply supported beam is subjected to a single force P at a distance b from one of the supports. Obtain the expression for the deflection under the load using Castigliano's theorem. How do you calculate deflection at the mid-point of the beam?

Answer: Let load P acts at a distance b from the support B , and L be the total length of the beam.

Reaction at A , $R_A = \frac{Pb}{L}$, and

Reaction at B , $R_B = \frac{Pa}{L}$



Strain energy stored by beam AB,

$U = \text{Strain energy stored by AC } (U_{AC}) + \text{strain energy stored by BC } (U_{BC})$

$$= \int_0^a \left(\frac{Pb}{L} \cdot x \right)^2 \frac{dx}{2EI} + \int_0^b \left(\frac{Pa}{L} \cdot x \right)^2 \frac{dx}{2EI} = \frac{P^2 b^2 a^3}{6EIL^2} + \frac{P^2 b^2 a^3}{6EIL^2}$$

$$= \frac{P^2 b^2 a^2}{6EIL^2} (a+b) = \frac{P^2 b^2 a^2}{6EIL} = \frac{P^2 (L-b)^2 b^2}{6EIL} \quad [\because (a+b) = L]$$

$$\text{Deflection under the load } P, \delta = y = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P} = \frac{2P(L-b)^2 b^2}{6EIL} = \frac{P(L-b)^2 b^2}{3EIL}$$

Deflection at the mid-span of the beam can be found by Macaulay's method.

By Macaulay's method, deflection at any section is given by

$$EIy = \frac{Pbx^3}{6L} - \frac{Pb}{6L}(L^2 - b^2)x - \frac{P(x-a)^3}{6}$$

Where y is deflection at any distance x from the support.

At $x = \frac{L}{2}$, i.e. at mid-span,

$$EIy = \frac{Pb \times (L/2)^3}{6L} - \frac{Pb}{6L}(L^2 - b^2) \times \frac{L}{2} - \frac{P\left(\frac{L}{2} - a\right)^3}{6}$$

$$\text{or, } EIy = \frac{PbL^2}{48} - \frac{Pb(L^2 - b^2)}{12} - \frac{P(L-2a)^3}{48}$$

$$y = \frac{P}{48EI} [bL^2 - 4b(L^2 - b^2) - (L-2a)^3]$$



Theories of Failure

Theory at a Glance (for IES, GATE, PSU)

1. Introduction

- **Failure:** Every material has certain strength, expressed in terms of stress or strain, beyond which it fractures or fails to carry the load.
- **Failure Criterion:** A criterion used to hypothesize the failure.
- **Failure Theory:** A Theory behind a failure criterion.

Why Need Failure Theories?

- To design structural components and calculate margin of safety.
- To guide in materials development.
- To determine weak and strong directions.

Failure Mode

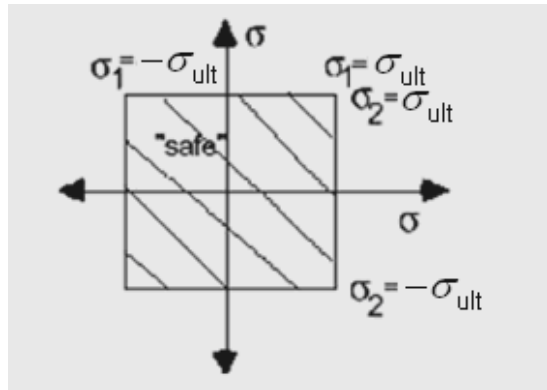
- **Yielding:** a process of global permanent plastic deformation. Change in the geometry of the object.
- **Low stiffness:** excessive elastic deflection.
- **Fracture:** a process in which cracks grow to the extent that the component breaks apart.
- **Buckling:** the loss of stable equilibrium. Compressive loading can lead to buckling in columns.
- **Creep:** a high-temperature effect. Load carrying capacity drops.

Failure Modes:		
Excessive elastic deformation	Yielding	Fracture
1. Stretch, twist, or bending	• Plastic deformation at room temperature	• Sudden fracture of brittle materials
2. Buckling	• Creep at elevated temperatures	• Fatigue (progressive fracture)
3. Vibration	• Yield stress is the important design factor	• Stress rupture at elevated temperatures
		• Ultimate stress is the important design factor

2. Maximum Principal Stress Theory (W. Rankin's Theory- 1850) – Brittle Material

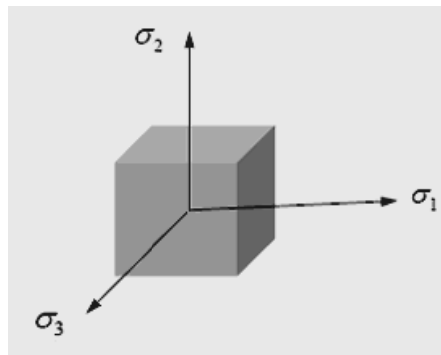
The maximum principal stress criterion:

- Rankin stated max principal stress theory as follows- a material fails by fracturing when the largest principal stress exceeds the ultimate strength σ_u in a simple tension test. That is, at the onset of fracture, $|\sigma_1| = \sigma_u$ OR $|\sigma_3| = \sigma_u$
- Crack will start at the most highly stressed point in a brittle material when the largest principal stress at that point reaches σ_u
- Criterion has good experimental verification, even though it assumes ultimate strength is same in compression and tension



Failure surface according to maximum principal stress theory

- This theory of yielding has very poor agreement with experiment. However, the theory has been used successfully for brittle materials.
- Used to describe fracture of **brittle materials** such as cast iron
- Limitations**
 - Doesn't distinguish between tension or compression
 - Doesn't depend on orientation of principal planes so only applicable to isotropic materials
- Generalization to 3-D stress case is easy:



3. Maximum Shear Stress or Stress difference theory (Guest's or Tresca's Theory-1868)- Ductile Material

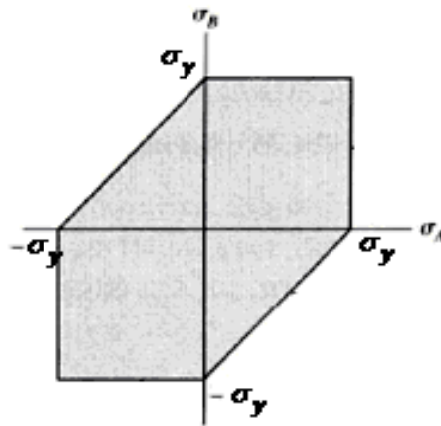
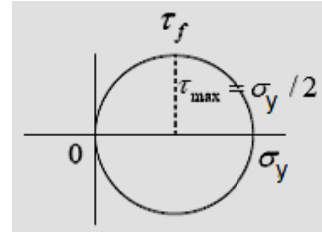
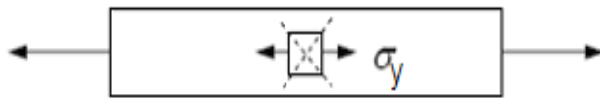
The Tresca Criterion:

- Also known as the *Maximum Shear Stress* criterion.
- Yielding will occur when the maximum shear stress reaches that which caused yielding in a simple tension test.

- Recall that yielding of a material occurred by slippage between planes oriented at 45° to principal stresses. This should indicate to you that yielding of a material depends on the maximum shear stress in the material rather than the maximum normal stress.

If $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$ Then $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 = \sigma_y$

- Failure by slip (yielding) occurs when the maximum shearing stress, τ_{\max} exceeds the yield stress τ_f as determined in a uniaxial tension test.
- This theory gives *satisfactory* result for **ductile material**.



Failure surface according to maximum shear stress theory

4. Strain Energy Theory (Haigh's Theory)

The theory associated with Haigh

This theory is based on the assumption that strains are recoverable up to the elastic limit, and the energy absorbed by the material at failure up to this point is a single valued function independent of the stress system causing it. The strain energy per unit volume causing failure is equal to the strain energy at the elastic limit in simple tension.

$$U = \frac{1}{2E} [\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - 2\mu(\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2\sigma_3 + \sigma_3\sigma_1)] = \frac{\sigma_y^2}{2E}$$

$$\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - 2\mu(\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2\sigma_3 + \sigma_3\sigma_1) = \sigma_y^2 \quad \text{For 3D- stress}$$

$$\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - 2\mu\sigma_1\sigma_2 = \sigma_y^2 \quad \text{For 2D- stress}$$

5. Shear Strain Energy Theory (Distortion Energy Theory or Mises-Henky Theory or Von-Misses Theory)-Ductile Material

Von-Mises Criterion:

- Also known as the Maximum Energy of Distortion criterion
- Based on a more complex view of the role of the principal stress differences.

- In simple terms, the von Mises criterion considers the diameters of all three Mohr's circles as contributing to the characterization of yield onset in isotropic materials.
- When the criterion is applied, its relationship to the uniaxial tensile yield strength is:

$$(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2 = 2\sigma_y^2$$

- For a state of plane stress ($\sigma_3 = 0$)

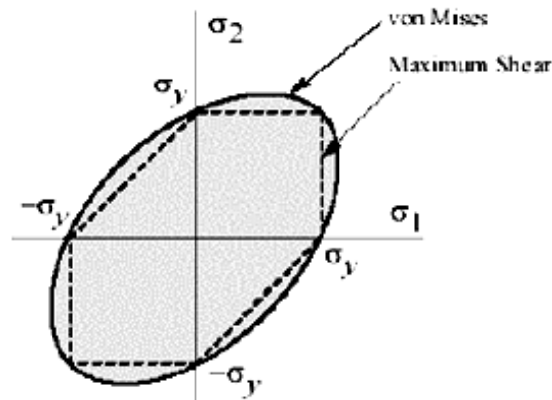
$$\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2^2 = \sigma_y^2$$

- It is often convenient to express this as an equivalent stress, σ_e :

$$\sigma_e = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2]^{1/2}$$

$$\text{or } \sigma_e = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)^2 + (\sigma_y - \sigma_z)^2 + (\sigma_x - \sigma_z)^2 + 6(\tau_{xy}^2 + \tau_{yz}^2 + \tau_{zx}^2)]^{1/2}$$

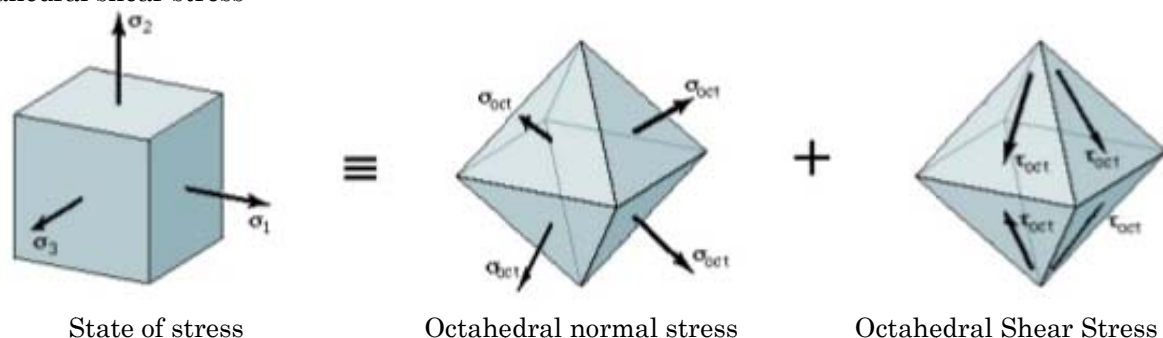
- In formulating this failure theory we used generalized Hooke's law for an isotropic material so the theory given is only applicable to those materials but it can be generalized to anisotropic materials.
- The von Mises theory is a little less conservative than the Tresca theory but in most cases there is little difference in their predictions of failure. Most experimental results tend to fall on or between these two theories.
- It gives very good result in **ductile material**.



OCTAHEDRAL SHEAR STRESS CRITERION (VON MISES)

Octahedral Shear Stress Criterion (Von Mises)

Since hydrostatic stress alone does not cause yielding, we can find a material plane called the octahedral plane, where the stress state can be decoupled into dilation strain energy and distortion strain energy. On the octahedral plane, the octahedral normal stress solely contributes to the dilation strain energy and the distortion strain energy in the state of stress is determined by the octahedral shear stress



$$\text{Octahedral normal stress } (\sigma_{oct}) = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3}{3}$$

$$\text{Octahedral shear stress } (\tau_{oct}) = \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2}$$

Octahedral stress criterion $\tau_{oct} \leq \tau_{Yield}$ for no failure.

$$\text{For } \tau_{Yield} = \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{(\sigma_y - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - \sigma_y)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \sigma_y = 0.471 \sigma_y$$

Now $\tau_{oct} \leq \tau_{Yield}$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2} \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \sigma_y$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2} \leq \sigma_y \quad \text{[exactly same as Von-Mises]}$$

But Maximum octahedral shear stress

$$\tau_{octYield} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \sigma_y = 0.471 \sigma_y \quad \text{.....for Uni-axial Stress}$$

$$\tau_{octYield} = \frac{\sigma_y}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.577 \sigma_y \quad \text{.....for Pure Shear stress}$$

6. Maximum Principal Strain Theory (St. Venant Theory)

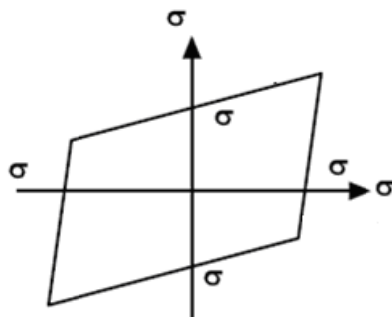
According to this theory, yielding will occur when the maximum principal strain just exceeds the strain at the tensile yield point in either simple tension or compression. If ϵ_1 and ϵ_2 are maximum and minimum principal strains corresponding to σ_1 and σ_2 , in the limiting case

$$\epsilon_1 = \frac{1}{E} (\sigma_1 - \nu \sigma_2) \quad |\sigma_1| \geq |\sigma_2|$$

$$\epsilon_2 = \frac{1}{E} (\sigma_2 - \nu \sigma_1) \quad |\sigma_2| \geq |\sigma_1|$$

$$\text{This gives, } E\epsilon_1 = \sigma_1 - \nu \sigma_2 = \pm \sigma_y$$

$$E\epsilon_2 = \sigma_2 - \nu \sigma_1 = \pm \sigma_y$$

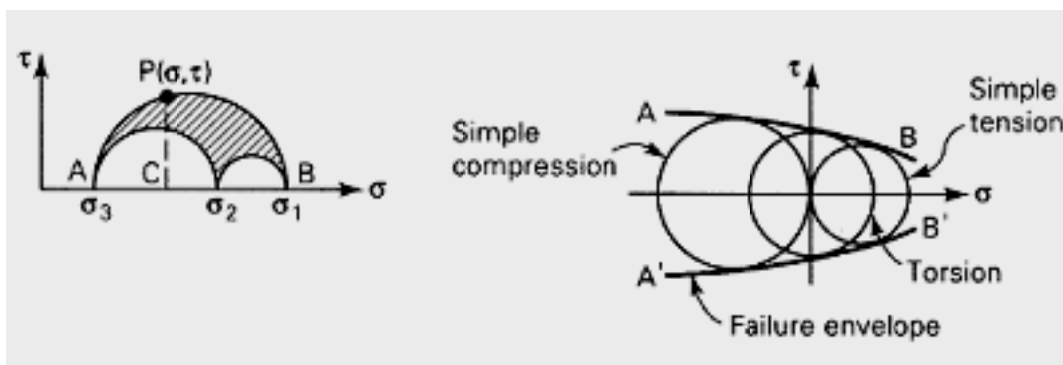


Yield surface corresponding to maximum principal strain theory

7. Mohr's theory- Brittle Material

Mohr's Theory

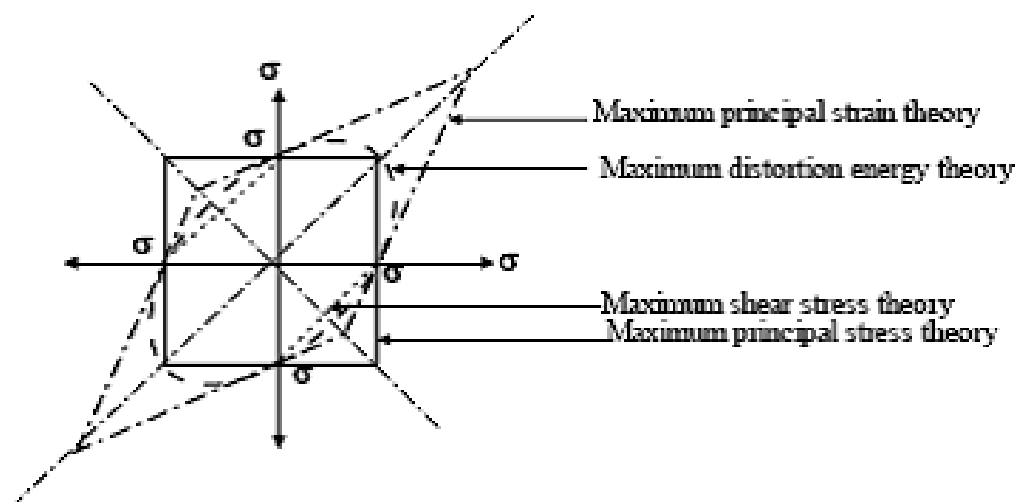
- Mohr's theory is used to predict the fracture of a material having different properties in tension and compression. Criterion makes use of Mohr's circle
- In Mohr's circle, we note that τ depends on σ , or $\tau = f(\sigma)$. Note the vertical line PC represents states of stress on planes with same σ but differing τ , which means the weakest plane is the one with maximum τ , point P .
- Points on the outer circle are the weakest planes. On these planes the maximum and minimum principal stresses are sufficient to decide whether or not failure will occur.
- Experiments are done on a given material to determine the states of stress that result in failure. Each state defines a Mohr's circle. If the data are obtained from simple tension, simple compression, and pure shear, the three resulting circles are adequate to construct an **envelope** (AB & A'B')
- Mohr's envelope thus represents the locus of all possible failure states.



Higher shear stresses are to the left of origin, since most brittle materials have higher strength in compression

8. Comparison

A comparison among the different failure theories can be made by superposing the yield surfaces as shown in figure



OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (GATE, IES, IAS)

Previous 25-Years GATE Questions

Maximum Shear stress or Stress Difference Theory

GATE-1. Match 4 correct pairs between list I and List II for the questions [GATE-1994]

List-I

- (a) Hooke's law
- (b) St. Venant's law
- (c) Kepler's laws
- (d) Tresca's criterion
- (e) Coulomb's laws
- (f) Griffith's law

List-II

- 1. Planetary motion
- 2. Conservation Energy
- 3. Elasticity
- 4. Plasticity
- 5. Fracture
- 6. Inertia

GATE-2. Which theory of failure will you use for aluminium components under steady loading? [GATE-1999]

- (a) Principal stress theory
- (b) Principal strain theory
- (c) Strain energy theory
- (d) Maximum shear stress theory

GATE-2a. An axially loaded bar is subjected to a normal stress of 173 MPa. The shear stress in the bar is [CE: GATE-2007]

- (a) 75 MPa
- (b) 86.5 MPa
- (c) 100 MPa
- (d) 122.3 MPa

GATE-2b. A machine element is subjected to the following bi-axial state of stress; $\sigma_x = 80$ MPa; $\sigma_y = 20$ MPa $\tau_{xy} = 40$ MPa. If the shear strength of the material is 100 MPa, the factor of safety as per Tresca's maximum shear stress theory is [GATE-2015]

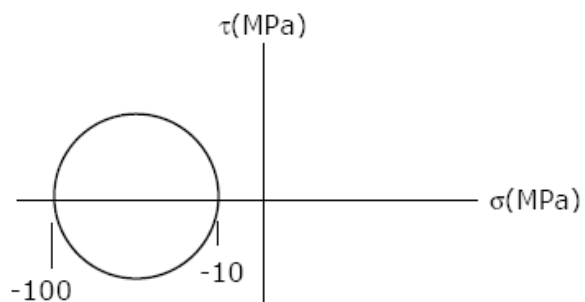
- (a) 1.0
- (b) 2.0
- (c) 2.5
- (d) 3.3

GATE-2c. The principal stresses at a point in a critical section of a machine component are $\sigma_1 = 60$ MPa, $\sigma_2 = 5$ MPa and $\sigma_3 = -40$ MPa. For the material of the component, the tensile yield strength is $\sigma_y = 200$ MPa. According to the maximum shear stress theory, the factor of safety is _____. [GATE-2017]

- (a) 1.67
- (b) 2.00
- (c) 3.6
- (d) 4.00

GATE-2d. The Mohr's circle of plane stress for a point in a body is shown. The design is to be done on the basis of the maximum shear stress theory for yielding. Then, yielding will just begin if the designer chooses a ductile material whose yield strength is:

- (a) 45 MPa
- (b) 50 MPa
- (c) 90 MPa
- (d) 100 MPa



[GATE-2005]

Shear Strain Energy Theory (Distortion energy theory)

GATE-3. According to Von-Mises' distortion energy theory, the distortion energy under three dimensional stress state is represented by [GATE-2006]

- (a) $\frac{1}{2E}[\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - 2\nu(\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_3\sigma_2 + \sigma_1\sigma_3)]$
- (b) $\frac{1-2\nu}{6E}[\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 + 2(\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_3\sigma_2 + \sigma_1\sigma_3)]$
- (c) $\frac{1+\nu}{3E}[\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - (\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_3\sigma_2 + \sigma_1\sigma_3)]$
- (d) $\frac{1}{3E}[\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - \nu(\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_3\sigma_2 + \sigma_1\sigma_3)]$

GATE-4. A small element at the critical section of a component is in a bi-axial state of stress with the two principal stresses being 360 MPa and 140 MPa. The maximum working stress according to Distortion Energy Theory is:

[GATE-1997]

- (a) 220 MPa (b) 110 MPa (c) 314 MPa (d) 330 MPa

GATE-4a. In a metal forming operation when the material has just started yielding, the principal stresses are $\sigma_1 = +180$ MPa, $\sigma_2 = -100$ MPa, $\sigma_3 = 0$. Following von Mises' criterion, the yield stress is _____ MPa. [GATE-2017]

GATE-4b. A shaft is subjected to pure torsional moment. The maximum shear stress developed in the shaft is 100 MPa. The yield and ultimate strengths of the shaft material in tension are 300 MPa and 450 MPa, respectively. The factor of safety using maximum distortion energy (von-Mises) theory is [GATE-2014]

GATE-5. The homogeneous state of stress for a metal part undergoing plastic deformation is

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 5 & 0 \\ 5 & 20 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -10 \end{pmatrix}$$

where the stress component values are in MPa. Using von Mises yield criterion, the value of estimated shear yield stress, in MPa is

- (a) 9.50 (b) 16.07 (c) 28.52 (d) 49.41 [GATE-2012]

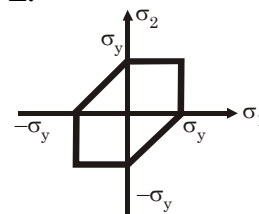
GATE-5(i) The uni-axial yield stress of a material is 300 MPa. According to Von Mises criterion, the shear yield stress (in MPa) of the material is ____ [GATE-2015]

GATE-6. Match the following criteria of material failure, under biaxial stresses σ_1 and σ_2 and yield stress σ_y , with their corresponding graphic representations:

[GATE-2011]

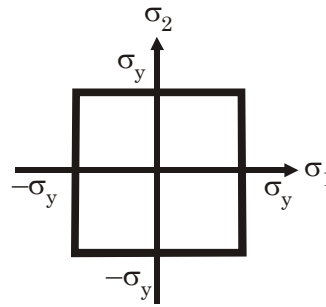
P. Maximum-normal-stress criterion

L.



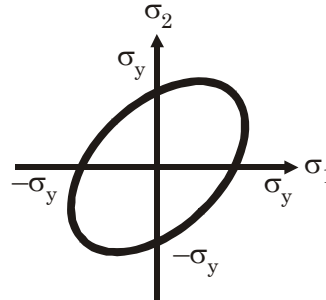
Q. Minimum-distortion-energy criterion

M.



R. Maximum shear-stress criterion

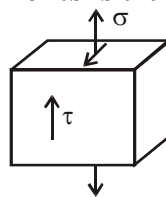
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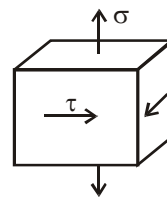
- (a) P – M, Q – L, R – N
(c) P – M, Q – N, R – L

- (b) P – N, Q – M, R – L
(d) P – N, Q – L, R – M

GATE-7. Consider the two states of stress as shown in configurations I and II in the figure below. From the standpoint of distortion energy (von-Mises) criterion, which one of the following statements is true? [GATE-2014]



I



II

- (a) I yields after II
(b) II yields after I
(c) Both yield simultaneously
(d) Nothing can be said about their relative yielding

GATE-8. Which one of following is NOT correct? [GATE-2014]

- (a) Intermediate principal stress is ignored when applying the maximum principal stress theory
(b) The maximum shear stress theory gives the most accurate results amongst all the failure theories
(c) As per the maximum strain energy theory, failure occurs when the strain energy per unit volume exceeds a critical value
(d) As per the maximum distortion energy theory, failure occurs when the distortion energy per unit volume exceeds a critical value

Previous 25-Years IES Questions

Maximum Principal Stress Theory

IES-1. Match List-I (Theory of Failure) with List-II (Predicted Ratio of Shear Stress to Direct Stress at Yield Condition for Steel Specimen) and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists: [IES-2006]

List-I

A. Maximum shear stress theory

List-II

1. 1/2

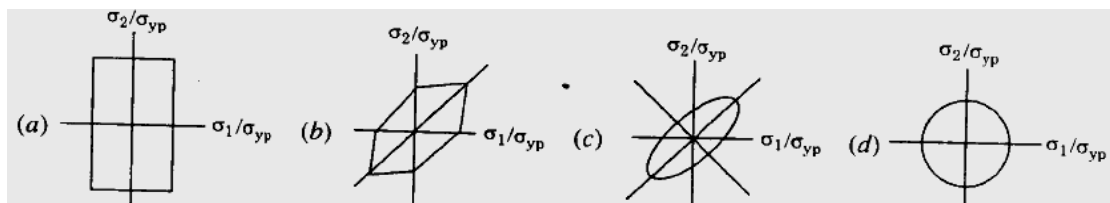
- B. Maximum distortion energy theory 2.0577
 C. Maximum principal stress theory 3.062
 D. Maximum principal strain theory 4.050

Codes:	A	B	C	D		A	B	C	D
(a)	1	2	4	3	(b)	4	3	1	2
(c)	1	3	4	2	(d)	4	2	1	3

- IES-2. From a tension test, the yield strength of steel is found to be 200 N/mm^2 . Using a factor of safety of 2 and applying maximum principal stress theory of failure, the permissible stress in the steel shaft subjected to torque will be: [IES-2000]
 (a) 50 N/mm^2 (b) 57.7 N/mm^2 (c) 86.6 N/mm^2 (d) 100 N/mm^2
- IES-3. A circular solid shaft is subjected to a bending moment of 400 kNm and a twisting moment of 300 kNm . On the basis of the maximum principal stress theory, the direct stress is σ and according to the maximum shear stress theory, the shear stress is τ . The ratio σ/τ is: [IES-2000]
 (a) $\frac{1}{5}$ (b) $\frac{3}{9}$ (c) $\frac{9}{5}$ (d) $\frac{11}{6}$
- IES-4. Which of the following is applied to brittle materials? [ISRO-2015]
 (a) Maximum principal stress theory (b) Maximum principal strain theory
 (c) Maximum strain energy theory (d) Maximum shear stress theory
- IES-5. Design of shafts made of brittle materials is based on [IES-1993]
 (a) Guest's theory (b) Rankine's theory (c) St. Venant's theory (d) Von Mises theory
- IES-5a. Assertion (A): A cast iron specimen shall fail due to shear when subjected to a compressive load. [IES-2010]
 Reason (R): Shear strength of cast iron in compression is more than half its compressive strength.
 (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
 (b) Both A and R are individually true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
 (c) A is true but R is false
 (d) A is false but R is true

Maximum Shear stress or Stress Difference Theory

- IES-6. If the principal stresses corresponding to a two-dimensional state of stress are σ_1 and σ_2 is greater than σ_2 and both are tensile, then which one of the following would be the correct criterion for failure by yielding, according to the maximum shear stress criterion? [IES-1993]
 (a) $\frac{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)}{2} = \pm \frac{\sigma_{yp}}{2}$ (b) $\frac{\sigma_1}{2} = \pm \frac{\sigma_{yp}}{2}$ (c) $\frac{\sigma_2}{2} = \pm \frac{\sigma_{yp}}{2}$ (d) $\sigma_1 = \pm 2\sigma_{yp}$
- IES-6(i). Which one of the following figures represents the maximum shear stress theory or Tresca criterion? [IES-1999]



- IES-7. According to the maximum shear stress theory of failure, permissible twisting moment in a circular shaft is 'T'. The permissible twisting moment will the same shaft as per the maximum principal stress theory of failure will be: [IES-1998: ISRO-2008]
 (a) $T/2$ (b) T (c) $\sqrt{2}T$ (d) $2T$

- IES-8. Permissible bending moment in a circular shaft under pure bending is M according to maximum principal stress theory of failure. According to maximum shear stress theory of failure, the permissible bending moment in the same shaft is: [IES-1995]
 (a) $1/2 M$ (b) M (c) $\sqrt{2} M$ (d) $2M$
- IES-9. A rod having cross-sectional area $100 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$ is subjected to a tensile load. Based on the Tresca failure criterion, if the uniaxial yield stress of the material is 200 MPa, the failure load is: [IES-2001]
 (a) 10 kN (b) 20 kN (c) 100 kN (d) 200 kN
- IES-10. A cold roller steel shaft is designed on the basis of maximum shear stress theory. The principal stresses induced at its critical section are 60 MPa and -60 MPa respectively. If the yield stress for the shaft material is 360 MPa, the factor of safety of the design is: [IES-2002]
 (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 6
- IES-11. A shaft is subjected to a maximum bending stress of 80 N/mm^2 and maximum shearing stress equal to 30 N/mm^2 at a particular section. If the yield point in tension of the material is 280 N/mm^2 , and the maximum shear stress theory of failure is used, then the factor of safety obtained will be: [IES-1994]
 (a) 2.5 (b) 2.8 (c) 3.0 (d) 3.5
- IES-12. For a two-dimensional state stress ($\sigma_1 > \sigma_2, \sigma_1 > 0, \sigma_2 < 0$) the designed values are most conservative if which one of the following failure theories were used? [IES-1998]
 (a) Maximum principal strain theory (b) Maximum distortion energy theory
 (c) Maximum shear stress theory (d) Maximum principal stress theory

Shear Strain Energy Theory (Distortion energy theory)

- IES-13. Who postulated the maximum distortion energy theory? [IES-2008]
 (a) Tresca (b) Rankine (c) St. Venant (d) Mises-Henky
- IES-14. Who postulated the maximum distortion energy theory? [IES-2008]
 (a) Tresca (b) Rankine (c) St. Venant (d) Mises-Henky
- IES-15. The maximum distortion energy theory of failure is suitable to predict the failure of which one of the following types of materials? [IES-2004]
 (a) Brittle materials (b) Ductile materials (c) Plastics (d) Composite materials
- IES-16. If σ_y is the yield strength of a particular material, then the distortion energy theory is expressed as [IES-1994]
 (a) $(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2 = 2\sigma_y^2$
 (b) $(\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2) - 2\mu(\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2\sigma_3 + \sigma_3\sigma_1) = \sigma_y^2$
 (c) $(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2 = 3\sigma_y^2$
 (d) $(1 - 2\mu)(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)^2 = 2(1 + \mu)\sigma_y^2$
- IES-17. If a shaft made from ductile material is subjected to combined bending and twisting moments, calculations based on which one of the following failure theories would give the most conservative value? [IES-1996]
 (a) Maximum principal stress theory (b) Maximum shear stress theory.
 (c) Maximum strain energy theory (d) Maximum distortion energy theory.

Maximum Principal Strain Theory

IES-18. Match List-I (Failure theories) with List-II (Figures representing boundaries of these theories) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists: [IES-1997]

Lists:

List-I

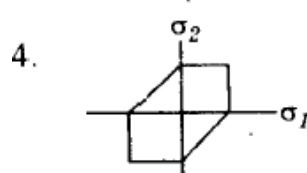
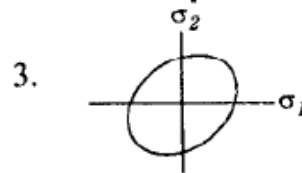
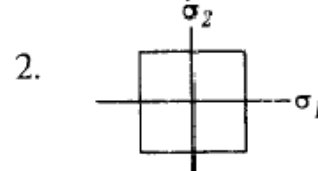
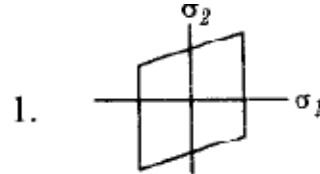
A. Maximum principal stress theory

B. Maximum shear stress theory

C. Maximum octahedral stress theory

D. Maximum shear strain energy theory

List-II



Code:	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
(a)	2	1	3	4	(b)	2	4	3
(c)	4	2	3	1	(d)	2	4	1

Previous 25-Years IAS Questions

Maximum Principal Stress Theory

IAS-1. For $\sigma_1 \neq \sigma_2$ and $\sigma_3 = 0$, what is the physical boundary for Rankine failure theory? [IAS-2004]
 (a) A rectangle (b) An ellipse (c) A square (d) A parabola

Shear Strain Energy Theory (Distortion energy theory)

IAS-2. Consider the following statements: [IAS-2007]

1. Experiments have shown that the distortion-energy theory gives an accurate prediction about failure of a ductile component than any other theory of failure.
2. According to the distortion-energy theory, the yield strength in shear is less than the yield strength in tension.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

IAS-3. Consider the following statements: [IAS-2003]

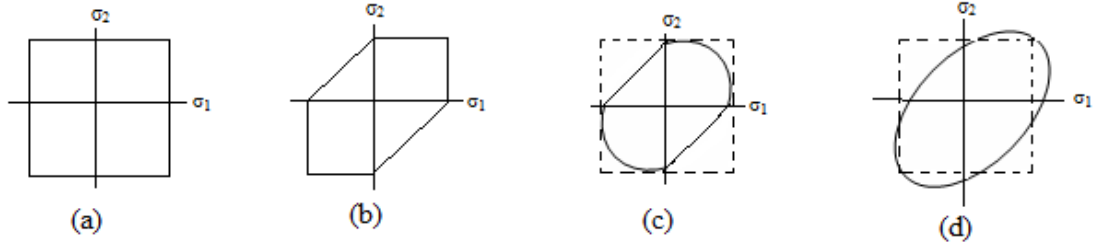
1. Distortion-energy theory is in better agreement for predicting the failure of ductile materials.
2. Maximum normal stress theory gives good prediction for the failure of brittle materials.

3. Module of elasticity in tension and compression are assumed to be different stress analysis of curved beams.

Which of these statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 1 and 2 (c) 3 only (d) 1 and 3

IAS-4. Which one of the following graphs represents Mises yield criterion? [IAS-1996]



Maximum Principal Strain Theory

IAS-5. Given that the principal stresses $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$ and σ_e is the elastic limit stress in simple tension; which one of the following must be satisfied such that the elastic failure does not occur in accordance with the maximum principal strain theory? [IAS-2004]

- (a) $\frac{\sigma_e}{E} < \left(\frac{\sigma_1}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_2}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_3}{E} \right)$ (b) $\frac{\sigma_e}{E} > \left(\frac{\sigma_1}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_2}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_3}{E} \right)$
 (c) $\frac{\sigma_e}{E} > \left(\frac{\sigma_1}{E} + \mu \frac{\sigma_2}{E} + \mu \frac{\sigma_3}{E} \right)$ (d) $\frac{\sigma_e}{E} < \left(\frac{\sigma_1}{E} + \mu \frac{\sigma_2}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_3}{E} \right)$

OBJECTIVE ANSWERS

GATE-1. Ans. (a) - 3, (c) -1, (d) -5, (e) -2

St. Venant's law: Maximum principal strain theory

GATE-2. Ans. (d) Aluminium is a ductile material so use maximum shear stress theory

GATE-2a. Ans. (b)

$$\text{Shear stress} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Shear stress} = \frac{173 - 0}{2} = 86.5 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-2b. Ans. (b)

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{80 + 20}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{80 - 20}{2}\right)^2 + 40^2} = 100 \text{ and } \sigma_2 = \frac{80 + 20}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{80 - 20}{2}\right)^2 + 40^2} = 0$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{100 - 0}{2} = 50 \therefore FOS = \frac{100}{50} = 2$$

GATE-2c. Ans. (b)

GATE-2d. Ans. (d) Like stress $\tau = \sigma_1 / 2$

GATE-3. Ans. (c)

$$V_s = \frac{1}{12G} \left\{ (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2 \right\} \text{ Where } E = 2G(1 + \mu) \text{ simplify and get result.}$$

GATE-4. Ans. (c) According to distortion energy theory if maximum stress (σ_t) then

$$\text{or } \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_1 \sigma_2$$

$$\text{or } \sigma_1^2 = 360^2 + 140^2 - 360 \times 140$$

$$\text{or } \sigma_1 = 314 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-4a. Ans. Ans. (range 245 to 246)

GATE-4b. Ans. 1.7 to 1.8 Exp. $\tau_y = \frac{\sigma_y}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{300}{\sqrt{3}} = 173.2 \text{ MPa} \therefore \text{fos} = \frac{\tau_y}{\tau} = \frac{173.2}{100} = 1.732$

GATE-5. Ans. (b)

We know that equivalent stress (σ_e)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\left\{ (\sigma_x - \sigma_y)^2 + (\sigma_y - \sigma_z)^2 + (\sigma_z - \sigma_x)^2 + 6(\tau_{xy}^2 + \tau_{yz}^2 + \tau_{zx}^2) \right\}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\left\{ (10 - 20)^2 + (20 - (-10))^2 + (-10 - 20)^2 + 6(5^2 + 0 + 0) \right\}} \\ &= 27.84 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore Yield shear stress } (\tau_y) = \frac{\sigma_y}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sigma_e}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{27.84}{\sqrt{3}} = 16.07 \text{ MPa}$$

GATE-5(i) Ans. 173.28 $\tau = \frac{\sigma_y}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.577\sigma_y = 173.28 \text{ MPa}$

GATE-6. Ans. (c)

GATE-7. Ans. (c) Von-Mises theory doesn't depend on the orientation of planes.

GATE-8. Ans. (b) The maximum shear stress theory gives the most conservative results but the Von-Mises theory gives the most accurate results for ductile materials.

IES-1. Ans. (d)

IES-2. Ans. (d) For pure shear $\tau = \pm \sigma_x$

IES-3. Ans. (c) $\sigma = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} (M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2})$ and $\tau = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} (\sqrt{M^2 + T^2})$

$$\text{Therefore } \frac{\sigma}{\tau} = \frac{M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}}{\sqrt{M^2 + T^2}} = \frac{4 + \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2}}{\sqrt{4^2 + 3^2}} = \frac{9}{5}$$

IES-4. Ans. (a)

IES-5. Ans. (b) Rankine's theory or maximum principle stress theory is most commonly used for brittle materials.

IES-5a Ans. (d) A cast iron specimen shall fail due to crushing when subjected to a compressive load.

A cast iron specimen shall fail due to tension when subjected to a tensile load.

IES-6. Ans. (b)

IES-6(i). Ans. (b)

IES-7. Ans. (d) Given $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3} = \frac{\sigma_{yt}}{2}$ principal stresses for only this shear stress are

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \sqrt{\tau^2} = \pm \tau \text{ maximum principal stress theory of failure gives}$$

$$\max[\sigma_1, \sigma_2] = \sigma_{yt} = \frac{16(2T)}{\pi d^3}$$

IES-8. Ans. (b) $\sigma = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} (M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2})$ and $\tau = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} (\sqrt{M^2 + T^2})$ put $T = 0$

$$\text{or } \sigma_{yt} = \frac{32M}{\pi d^3} \text{ and } \tau = \frac{16M'}{\pi d^3} = \frac{\sigma_{yt}}{2} = \frac{\left(\frac{32M}{\pi d^3}\right)}{2} = \frac{16M}{\pi d^3} \text{ Therefore } M' = M$$

IES-9. Ans. (b) Tresca failure criterion is maximum shear stress theory.

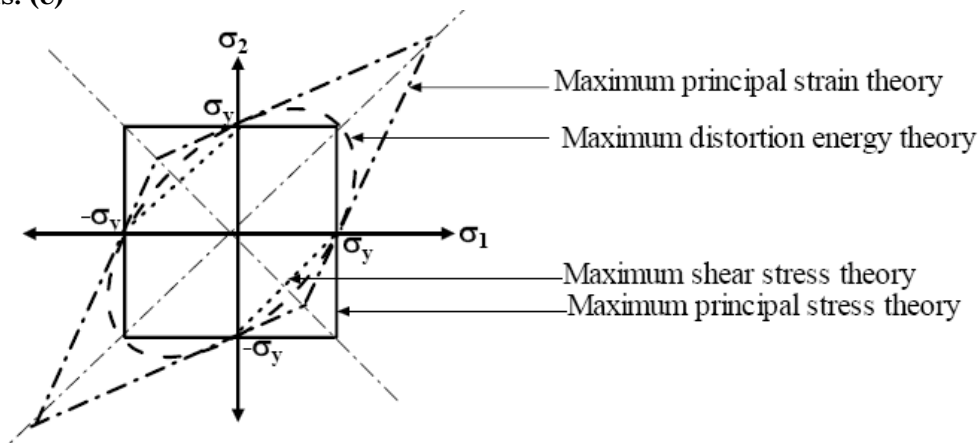
$$\text{We know that, } \tau = \frac{P \sin 2\theta}{A} \text{ or } \tau_{\max} = \frac{P}{2A} = \frac{\sigma_{yt}}{2} \text{ or } P = \sigma_{yt} \times A$$

IES-10. Ans. (b)

IES-11. Ans. (b) Maximum shear stress = $\sqrt{\left(\frac{80-0}{2}\right)^2 + 30^2} = 50 \text{ N/mm}^2$

According to maximum shear stress theory, $\tau = \frac{\sigma_y}{2}$; $\therefore F.S. = \frac{280}{2 \times 50} = 2.8$

IES-12. Ans. (c)



Graphical comparison of different failure theories

Above diagram shows that $\sigma_1 > 0, \sigma_2 < 0$ will occur at 4th quadrant and most conservative design will be maximum shear stress theory.

IES-13. Ans. (d)

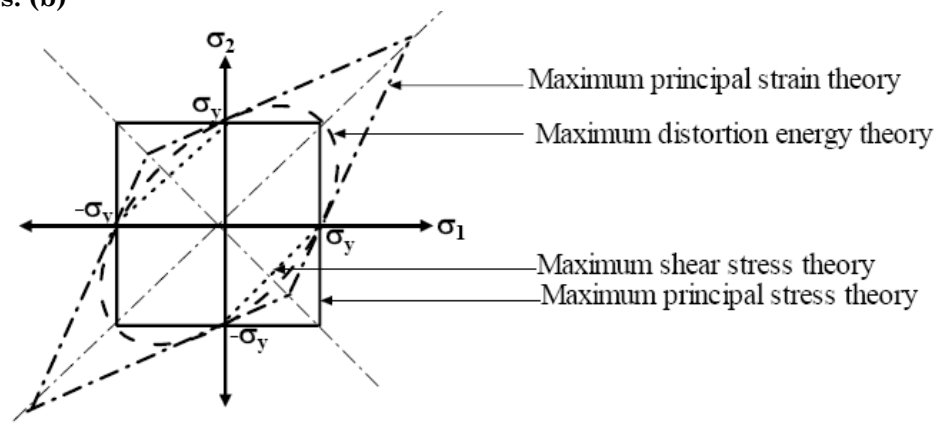
IES-14. Ans. (d)

Maximum shear stress theory	→	Tresca
Maximum principal stress theory	→	Rankine
Maximum principal strain theory	→	St. Venant
Maximum shear strain energy theory	→	Mises – Henky

IES-15. Ans. (b)

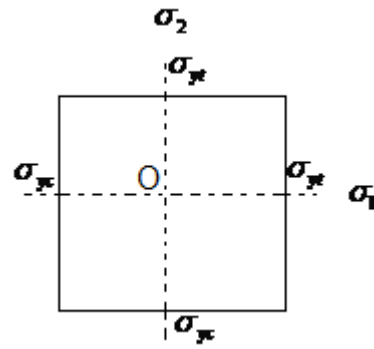
IES-16. Ans. (a)

IES-17. Ans. (b)



IES-18. Ans. (d)

IAS-1. Ans. (c) Rankine failure theory or
Maximum principle stress theory.



IAS-2. Ans. (c) $\tau_y = \frac{\sigma_y}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.577\sigma_y$

IAS-3. Ans. (b)

IAS-4. Ans. (d)

IAS-5. Ans. (b) Strain at yield point > principal strain

$$\frac{\sigma_e}{E} > \frac{\sigma_1}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_2}{E} - \mu \frac{\sigma_3}{E}$$

Previous Conventional Questions with Answers

Conventional Question ESE-2010

Q. The stress state at a point in a body is plane with

$$\sigma_1 = 60 \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ \& } \sigma_2 = -36 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

If the allowable stress for the material in simple tension or compression is 100 N/mm^2 calculate the value of factor of safety with each of the following criteria for failure

- (i) Max Stress Criteria
- (ii) Max Shear Stress Criteria
- (iii) Max strain criteria
- (iv) Max Distortion energy criteria

[10 Marks]

Ans. The stress at a point in a body is plane

$$\sigma_1 = 60 \text{ N/mm}^2 \quad \sigma_2 = -36 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Allowable stress for the material in simple tension or compression is 100 N/mm^2

Find out factor of safety for

- (i) **Maximum stress Criteria** : - In this failure point occurs when max principal stress reaches the limiting strength of material.

Therefore, Let F.S factor of safety

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma (\text{allowable})}{\text{F.S}}$$

$$\text{F.S} = \frac{100 \text{ N/mm}^2}{60 \text{ N/mm}^2} = 1.67 \quad \text{Ans.}$$

- (ii) **Maximum Shear stress criteria** : - According to this failure point occurs at a point in a member when maximum shear stress reaches to shear at yield point

$$\gamma_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_{yt}}{2 \text{ F.S}}$$

$$\sigma_{yt} = 100 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\gamma_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{60 + 36}{2} = \frac{96}{2} = 48 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$48 = \frac{100}{2 \times \text{F.S}}$$

$$\text{F.S} = \frac{100}{2 \times 48} = \frac{100}{96} = 1.042$$

$$\text{F.S} = 1.042 \quad \text{Ans.}$$

- (iv) **Maximum Distortion energy criteria !** – In this failure point occurs at a point in a member when distortion strain energy per unit volume in a bi – axial system reaches the limiting distortion strain energy at the of yield

$$\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_1 \times \sigma_2 = \left(\frac{\sigma_{yt}}{\text{F.S}} \right)^2$$

$$60^2 + (36)^2 - 60 \times -36 = \left(\frac{100}{\text{F.S}} \right)^2$$

$$\text{F.S} = 1.19$$

Conventional Question ESE-2006

Question: A mild steel shaft of 50 mm diameter is subjected to a bending moment of 1.5 kNm and torque T. If the yield point of steel in tension is 210 MPa, find the maximum value of the torque without causing yielding of the shaft material according to

- (i) Maximum principal stress theory
(ii) Maximum shear stress theory.

Answer: We know that, Maximum bending stress (σ_b) = $\frac{32M}{\pi d^3}$

$$\text{and Maximum shear stress } (\tau) = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$$

Principal stresses are given by:

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_b}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_b}{2} \right)^2 + \tau^2} = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \left[M \pm \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} \right]$$

(i) According to Maximum principal stress theory

Maximum principal stress = Maximum stress at elastic limit (σ_y)

$$\text{or } \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \left[M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} \right] = 210 \times 10^6$$

$$\text{or } \frac{16}{\pi (0.050)^3} \left[1500 + \sqrt{1500^2 + T^2} \right] = 210 \times 10^6$$

$$\text{or } T = 3332 \text{ Nm} = 3.332 \text{ kNm}$$

(ii) According to Maximum shear stress theory

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{\sigma_y}{2}$$

$$\text{or, } \sigma_1 - \sigma_2 = \sigma_y$$

$$\text{or, } 2 \times \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = 210 \times 10^6$$

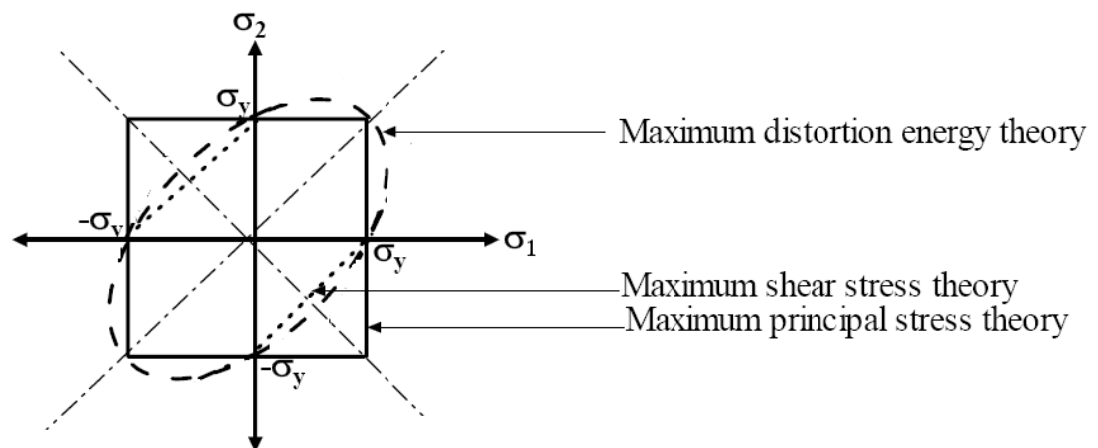
$$\text{or, } T = 2096 \text{ N m} = 2.096 \text{ kNm}$$

Conventional Question ESE-2005

Question: Illustrate the graphical comparison of following theories of failures for two-dimensional stress system:

- (i) Maximum normal stress theory
- (ii) Maximum shear stress theory
- (iii) Distortion energy theory

Answer:



Conventional Question ESE-2004

Question: State the Von- Mises's theory. Also give the naturally expression.

Answer: According to this theory yielding would occur when total distortion energy absorbed per unit volume due to applied loads exceeds the distortion energy absorbed per unit volume at the tensile yield point. The failure criterion is

$$(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2 = 2\sigma_y^2$$

[symbols has usual meaning]

Conventional Question ESE-2002

Question: Derive an expression for the distortion energy per unit volume for a body subjected to a uniform stress state, given by the σ_1 and σ_2 with the third principal stress σ_3 being zero.

Answer: According to this theory yielding would occur when total distortion energy absorbed per unit volume due to applied loads exceeds the distortion energy absorbed per unit volume at the tensile yield point. Total strain energy E_T and strain energy for volume change E_V can be given as

$$E_T = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 \epsilon_1 + \sigma_2 \epsilon_2 + \sigma_3 \epsilon_3) \quad \text{and} \quad E_V = \frac{3}{2} \sigma_{av} \epsilon_{av}$$

Substituting strains in terms of stresses the distortion energy can be given as

$$E_d = E_T - E_V = \frac{2(1+\nu)}{6E} (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 - \sigma_2\sigma_3 - \sigma_3\sigma_1)$$

At the tensile yield point, $\sigma_1 = \sigma_y$, $\sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = 0$ which gives

$$E_{dy} = \frac{2(1+\nu)}{6E} \sigma_y^2$$

The failure criterion is thus obtained by equating E_d and E_{dy} , which gives

$$(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2 = 2\sigma_y^2$$

In a 2-D situation if $\sigma_3 = 0$, the criterion reduces to

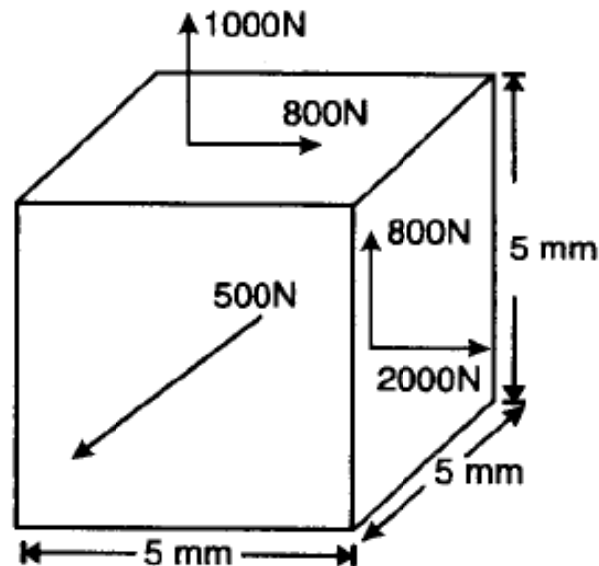
$$\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 = \sigma_y^2$$

Conventional Question GATE-1996

Question: A cube of 5mm side is loaded as shown in figure below.

- Determine the principal stresses $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$.
- Will the cube yield if the yield strength of the material is 70 MPa? Use Von-Mises theory.

Answer: Yield strength of the material $\sigma_{et} = 70 \text{ MPa} = 70 \text{ MN/m}^2$ or 70 N/mm^2 .



(i) Principal stress $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$:

$$\sigma_x = \frac{2000}{5 \times 5} = 80 \text{ N/mm}^2;$$

$$\sigma_y = \frac{1000}{5 \times 5} = 40 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\sigma_z = \frac{500}{5 \times 5} = 20 \text{ N/mm}^2;$$

$$\tau_{xy} = \frac{800}{5 \times 5} = 32 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\sigma = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \frac{80 + 40}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{80 - 40}{2}\right)^2 + (32)^2}$$

$$= 60 \pm \sqrt{(20)^2 + (32)^2} = 97.74, 22.26$$

$$\therefore \sigma_1 = 97.74 \text{ N/mm}^2, \text{ or } 97.74 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{and } \sigma_2 = 22.96 \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ or } 22.96 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_3 = \sigma_z = 20 \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ or } 22 \text{ MPa}$$

(ii) Will the cube yield or not?

According to Von-Mises yield criteria, yielding will occur if

$$(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2 \geq 2\sigma_{yt}^2$$

Now
$$\begin{aligned} & (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2 \\ &= (97.74 - 22.96)^2 + (22.96 - 20)^2 + (20 - 97.74)^2 \\ &= 11745.8 \end{aligned} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

and,
$$2\sigma_{yt}^2 = 2 \times (70)^2 = 9800 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Since $11745.8 > 9800$ so yielding will occur.

Conventional Question GATE-1995

Question: A thin-walled circular tube of wall thickness t and mean radius r is subjected to an axial load P and torque T in a combined tension-torsion experiment.

(i) Determine the state of stress existing in the tube in terms of P and T .

(ii) Using Von-Mises - Henky failure criteria show that failure takes place

when $\sqrt{\sigma^2 + 3\tau^2} = \sigma_0$, where σ_0 is the yield stress in uniaxial tension, σ and τ are respectively the axial and torsional stresses in the tube.

Answer: Mean radius of the tube = r ,
Wall thickness of the tube = t ,
Axial load = P , and
Torque = T .

(i) The state of stress in the tube:

Due to axial load, the axial stress in the tube $\sigma_x = \frac{P}{2\pi r t}$

Due to torque, shear stress,

$$\tau_{xy} = \frac{Tr}{J} = \frac{Tr}{2\pi r^3 t} = \frac{T}{2\pi r^3 t}$$

$$J = \frac{\pi}{2} \left\{ (r+t)^4 - r^4 \right\} = 2\pi r^3 t \text{ - neglecting } t^2 \text{ higher power of } t.$$

\therefore The state of stress in the tube is, $\sigma_x = \frac{P}{2\pi r t}$, $\sigma_y = 0$, $\tau_{xy} = \frac{T}{2\pi r^3 t}$

(ii) Von Mises-Henky failure in tension for 2-dimensional stress is

$$\sigma_0^2 = \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2$$

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

In this case, $\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2}$, and

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma_x}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2} \quad (\because \sigma_y = 0)$$

$$\therefore \sigma_0^2 = \left[\frac{\sigma_x}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{\sigma_x}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2} \right]^2 - \left[\frac{\sigma_x}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2} \right] \left[\frac{\sigma_x}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2} \right]^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{\sigma_x}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2} \right] + \left[\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{\sigma_x}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} + \tau_{xy}^2} \right] \\
&\quad - \left[\frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} - \frac{\sigma_x^2}{4} - \tau_{xy}^2 \right] \\
&= \sigma_x^2 + 3\tau_{xy}^2 \\
&\sigma_0 = \sqrt{\sigma_x^2 + 3\tau_{xy}^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Conventional Question GATE-1994

Question: Find the maximum principal stress developed in a cylindrical shaft. 8 cm in diameter and subjected to a bending moment of 2.5 kNm and a twisting moment of 4.2 kNm. If the yield stress of the shaft material is 300 MPa. Determine the factor of safety of the shaft according to the maximum shearing stress theory of failure.

Answer: Given: $d = 8 \text{ cm} = 0.08 \text{ m}$; $M = 2.5 \text{ kNm} = 2500 \text{ Nm}$; $T = 4.2 \text{ kNm} = 4200 \text{ Nm}$

$$\sigma_{\text{yield}} (\sigma_{yt}) = 300 \text{ MPa} = 300 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

$$\text{Equivalent torque, } T_e = \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = \sqrt{(2.5)^2 + (4.2)^2} = 4.888 \text{ kNm}$$

Maximum shear stress developed in the shaft,

$$\tau_{\text{max}} = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3} = \frac{16 \times 4.888 \times 10^3}{\pi \times (0.08)^3} \times 10^{-6} \text{ MN/m}^2 = 48.62 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

$$\text{Permissible shear stress} = \frac{300}{2} = 150 \text{ MN/m}^2$$

$$\therefore \text{Factor of safety} = \frac{150}{48.62} = 3.085$$