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# **Preface**

This book presents the general theories and principles of stress and strain for practical application. The primary intention is to provide a reference that meets the daily needs of the design engineer. The solutions and data required in engineering practice are often scattered through an extensive body of literature, and are not presented in a form that allows convenient application to the problem at hand. This handbook draws information from many sources into a useful and convenient single volume. Tedious derivations and detailed explanation of formulas are omitted. The data are presented in tables and graphs along with several examples to illustrate actual applications.

The scope of the book is indicated by the contents. It covers beams, frames, columns, beam-columns, plates, rings, torsion, shells, stability, and thermal stress. For each topic the general principles and theories are stated, followed by extensive tables and graphs for use in calculation of stress and strain. The data are arranged to provide a means of using general theories to solve practical engineering problems.

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# **Notation**

Α	Cross-sectional area
$A_r$ , $A_u$ , $A_x$	Coefficients of deflection
$\mathbf{B}_{x}$ , $\mathbf{B}_{y}$	Bending stress coefficients
$B_i, B_j, B_u$	Coefficients of slope
$\mathbf{B}_{r}$	Bending stress coefficient for circular plates
C	Coefficient of constraint in elastic stability, numerical factor
$C_{\rm c}$	Torsional stiffness of circular section
C <sub>m</sub>	Reduction factor applied to bending term in interaction formula and dependent upon curvature caused by applied moments
$C_{o}$	Torsional stiffness of non-circular section
$C_w$	Warping constant of a section
D	Numerical factor, flexural rigidity of plate or shell
E	Modulus of elasticity in tension and compression, numerical factor
$\mathbf{E}_{r}$	Tangent modulus
$\mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{a}}$	Axial stress permitted in the absence of bending moment
$F_b$	Bending stress permitted in the absence of axial force
$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{e}}$	Euler stress divided by factor of safety
$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{y}}$	Specified minimum yield stress of steel
$\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{c}}$	Buckling stress of a column containing residual stresses
G	Modulus of elasticity in shear
$H_0$ , $H_h$	Horizontal thrust of a pinned and built-in arch
1	Moment of inertia of a section
, I <sub>e</sub>	Moment of inertia of the elastic portion of a section
J	Polar moment of inertia, torsional constant
K	Effective length factor
$K_m$ , $K_A$ , $K_B$	Moment coefficients of a circular ring
$\mathbf{K}_{d}$	Deflection coefficient of a circular ring
$K_i$ , $K_j$ , $K_u$	Coefficients of end moments
$\mathbf{K}_1, \mathbf{K}_2$	Torsional factors

K<sub>3</sub> Stress concentration factor

- K<sub>x</sub>, K<sub>y</sub> Deflection coefficient in x and y, directions respectively
- K<sub>φ</sub>, K<sub>σ</sub> Force factors in shell
- K<sub>x</sub>, K<sub>t</sub> Stress factor in shell
- K<sub>P</sub>, K<sub>O</sub> Force and shear factors
  - K<sub>w</sub> Displacement factor
    - L Span length
  - M Moment
- Mii, Mii End moments
- M<sub>x</sub>, M<sub>y</sub> Bending moments per unit length of plate or shell sections
  - M<sub>xv</sub> Twisting moment per unit length of plate or shell sections
- Mr. M. Radial and tangential moments
  - M<sub>T</sub> Torsional moment
- $N_x$ ,  $N_y$ ,  $N_{xy}$  Normal and shearing forces per unit length of shell sections
- No. No. Note Membrane forces per unit length of shell sections
  - P Applied load
  - P<sub>cr</sub> Critical load
  - P. Euler load
  - Qx, Q, Shearing force per unit length of plate or shell sections
    - Q Shearing force per unit length of cylindrical section
  - R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> Reactions
  - R<sub>i</sub>, R<sub>o</sub> Inside and outside radii of a curved beam respectively
    - R Radius of curvature of the neutral axis
    - T Membrane tension
    - V Static shear on beam
    - V<sub>c</sub> Volume of membrane hill of circular section
    - Vo Volume of membrane hill of non-circular sections
    - V<sub>f</sub> Shear force introduced to a flange of I beam subjected to an end torsion
    - U Strain energy
    - a, b Distances from supports to loading point, distances
      - c Distance
      - e Eccentricity
      - f Stress
    - f<sub>a</sub>, f<sub>b</sub> Axial and bending stress, respectively
  - $f_{bx}$ ,  $f_{by}$  Bending stresses induced by  $M_x$  and  $M_y$ , respectively

- f'<sub>u</sub> A function of parameter u for plate deflection
- g' A function of parameter u for plate bending
  - k Axial load factor for beam-column ( $k^2 = P/EI$ )
  - 1 Length, span
- In Natural logarithm
- m A parameter which gives the number of half-waves into which a plate buckles
- p, q Intensity of distributed load, pressure
  - r Radius of gyration, radius, radius of curvature of shell
  - r<sub>n</sub> Radius of curvature of the middle surface of a circular plate
- r<sub>x</sub>, r<sub>y</sub> Radius of gyration with respect to x and y axes, respectively
- $s_s$ ,  $s_{xy}$  Shear stresses
  - t Thickness
  - u Axial load factor for beam-colums (u = kl), numerical factor
- u, v, w Displacements in x, y, z directions
- x, y, z Rectangular coordinates

#### **Greek Symbols**

- α Angles, coefficient of thermal expansion, numerical factors
- B Numerical factor or coefficient
- γ Shearing unit strain, specific gravity
- δ Deflection, displacement
- $\delta_H$ ,  $\delta_V$  Horizontal and vertical displacements
  - € Unit normal strain
  - $\theta$  Angle, polar coordinate, the angle of twist per unit length of section
  - $\varepsilon_x,\;\varepsilon_y\;$  Unit normal strains in x and y directions
    - ν Poisson's ratio
    - ρ Radius of curvature
- $\rho_x$ ,  $\rho_y$  Radii of curvature of the middle surface of a rectangular plate in the xz and yz planes
- $\gamma_{xz}$ ,  $\gamma_{yz}$  Shear strains in xz and yz planes
  - σ Unit normal stress
  - $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$  Unit normal stresses in x and y directions
    - $\sigma_{cr}$  Critical stress
      - τ Unit shear stress

- $\tau_{xy}$ ,  $\tau_{yz}$ ,  $\tau_{xz}$  Unit shear stresses on planes perpendicular to the x,y and z axes and parallel to the y,z and x axes
  - $\phi$  Angle, angular coordinate
  - $\chi$  Change of curvature in shell
  - $\chi_{xy}$  Twist of the middle surface of shell
    - φ Saint-Venant's torsion function
  - $\sigma_{\phi}$  Circumferential stress
  - $\psi$  Numerical factor in calculation of reduction factor  $C_{\rm m}$  for compression members braced against joint translation

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### Chapter 1

# **Flexure of Beams**

#### BENDING OF BEAMS [1,2]

Forces or moments acting on a beam impart deflections perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the beam and set up normal and shearing stresses on any cross section of the beam. It is convenient to imagine a beam being composed of an infinite number of fibers. The surface on the beam containing fibers that do not undergo any stress is called the *neutral surface*. The intersection of the neutral surface with any cross section of the beam perpendicular to its longitudinal axis is called the *neutral axis*. All fibers on one side of the neutral axis are in tension and those on the opposite side are in compression.

If all fibers in the beam are acting within the elastic range of the material, the following relations exist:

The bending stress at any point of a section is f<sub>b</sub>.

$$f_b = \frac{My}{I} \tag{1-1}$$

where M is the bending moment at the section containing y, and y is the distance from the neutral axis to the point.

The shear stress at any point of a section is  $s_s$ .

$$s_s = \frac{V}{Ib} \int y \, da = \frac{VQ}{Ib}$$
 (1-2)

where V = shear at the section

da = area of that part of the section above the point

y = distance from the neutral axis to the centroid of da

b = width of the beam

Q = first moment of the area da about the neutral axis

The radius of curvature of the elastic curve is R.

1

$$R = \frac{EI}{M}$$
 (1-3)

The general differential equation of the elastic curve is:

$$M = EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$$
 (1-4)

The relations between the bending moment and the shear are:

$$V = \frac{dM}{dx}$$
 (1-5a)

$$M = \int V dx \tag{1-5b}$$

The strain energy of flexure is U.

$$U = \int \frac{M^2}{2EI} dx$$
 (1-6)

#### Example 1-1

A steel wire 1/32 in, in diameter is coiled around a pulley 20 in, in diameter; calculate the maximum bending stress set up in the wire.

$$E = 30 \times 10^3 \text{ kips/in.}^2$$

Radius of curvature R = 20/2 = 10 in.

Normal strain  $\epsilon = y/R$ 

Maximum strain  $\epsilon_{\text{max}} = 1/640 = 0.00156$  in.

Maximum stress 
$$\sigma_{\text{max}} = \text{E}\epsilon_{\text{max}} = 30 \times 10^3 \times 0.00156$$
  
= 46.88 kips/in.<sup>2</sup>

#### Example 1-2

If the greatest vertical shear of a rectangular beam is V, prove the maximum shear stress is 1.5 times the average shear stress.

From Equation 1-2,

$$s_s = \frac{VQ}{Ib} = \frac{12bh^2}{8b^2h^3} V = \frac{3V}{2bh} = 1.5 \frac{V}{A}$$

V/A is the average shear stress of the section with vertical force V.

#### **ELASTIC DEFLECTION OF BEAMS [3]**

The deformation of a beam is expressed in terms of the deflection of the beam from its original unloaded position. The deflection is measured from the original neutral surface to the neutral surface of the deformed beam. The configuration of the deformed neutral surface is known as the *elastic curve* of the beam.

Design specifications frequently limit the deflections as well as the stresses. It is essential that the design engineer be able to calculate deflections, and numerous methods are available for the determination of beam deflections.

#### **Double-Integration Method**

For a given beam, if the load  $w_x$  at a point x can be expressed mathematically as a function of x, and if such load condition is known for the entire beam, then

$$V_x = \int w_x \, dx \tag{1-7a}$$

$$M_x = \int V_x \, dx \tag{1-7b}$$

$$\theta_x = \int \frac{M_x}{EI} dx \tag{1-7c}$$

$$y_x = \int \frac{\theta_x dx}{EI} = \int \int \frac{M_x}{EI} dx$$
 (1-7d)

It is assumed that the beam is acting in the elastic range and that the deflections caused by shearing action are negligible compared to those caused by bending action.

#### Example 1-3

Determine the maximum deflection of a cantilever beam subject to a uniform load of w lb per unit length, as shown in Figure 1-1.

$$M_x = wx^2/2$$

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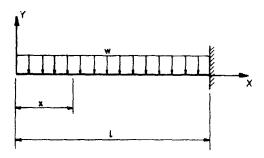


Figure 1-1. Cantilever beam for Example 1-3.

From Equations 1-7c and 1-7d,

EI 
$$\theta_x = \int M_x dx = wx^3/6 + C_1$$
  
EIy<sub>x</sub> =  $\int \int M_x dx = \int (wx^3/6 + C_1)dx$   
EIy<sub>x</sub> =  $wx^4/24 + C_1x + C_2$   
at  $x = \ell$ ,  $\theta_\ell = 0$   $C_1 = -w\ell^3/6$   
at  $x = \ell$ ,  $y_\ell = 0$   $C_2 = w\ell^4/6 - w\ell^4/24 = w\ell^4/8$   
at  $x = 0$ ,  $y = y_{max}$   
 $y_{max} = C_2/EI = w\ell^4/(8EI)$ 

#### **Moment-Area Method**

The first moment-area theorem states that the angle between the tangents at a and b of a deformed beam is equal to the area of the moment diagram between a and b, divided by EI:

$$\theta = \int_{a}^{b} \frac{M}{EI} dx$$
 (1-8a)

The second moment-area theorem states that the vertical distance from point b of the deformed beam to the tangent at point a of the beam equals the moment with respect to b of the area of the bending moment diagram between a and b, divided by EI:

$$\delta = \int_{a}^{b} \frac{M}{FI} x \, dx \tag{1-8b}$$

#### Example 1-4

Determine the deflection of the free end of the cantilever beam in Example 1-3 using the moment-area method. The elastic curve and moment diagram are shown in Figure 1-2.

Area of the M/EI diagram =  $w\ell^3/6$ 

Moment with respect to  $b = w\ell^4/8$ 

 $\delta = w\ell^4/8EI$ 

#### Conjugate Beam Method

In using this method, the moment diagram of the real beam is constructed, and a conjugate beam is then set up. It is loaded with the M/EI of the real beam. The vertical shear at any point of the conjugate beam equals the slope of the real beam at the same point. The bending moment at any point of the conjugate beam equals the deflection of the real beam at the same point. The boundary conditions of the conjugate beam should be selected so that the previous statements are satisfied.

#### Example 1-5

Determine the deflection and slope at the tip of a cantilever beam loaded by a concentrated force P, as shown in Figure 1-3.

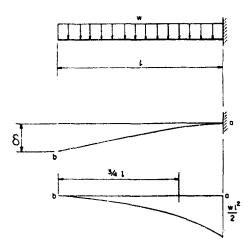


Figure 1-2. Elastic curve and moment diagram of a cantilever beam.

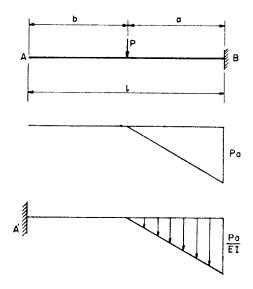


Figure 1-3. Cantilever beam for Example 1-5.

Shear at A' =  $Pa^2/(2EI)$ 

Moment at A' = 
$$\frac{Pa^2}{2EI} \left( \ell - \frac{a}{3} \right) = \frac{Pa^2 \ell}{2EI} - \frac{Pa^3}{6EI}$$

Slope at tip 
$$\theta = \frac{Pa^2}{2EI}$$

Deflection at tip 
$$\delta = \frac{-Pa^2\ell}{2EI} + \frac{Pa^3}{6EI}$$

#### Virtual Work Method

This method is used frequently for finding the deflection of a point on the beam. A unit virtual load is placed on the beam at the point where deflection is desired. Virtual moments caused by the unit load are determined along the beam. The internal energy of the beam after deflection is determined by integration. This is set equal to the external work done by the unit load.

Internal energy 
$$U = \int \frac{M_x m_x}{EI} dx$$

Work done  $W = 1 \times y_x$ 

$$y_x = \int \frac{M_x m_x}{EI} dx \tag{1-9}$$

where m = virtual bending moment at any point caused by 1 M = real bending moment at the same point

#### Example 1-6

Solve Example 1-4 using virtual work method.

A unit load is placed at the tip of a beam as shown in Figure 1-4.

Internal energy = 
$$\int \frac{M_x m_x}{EI} dx = \int \frac{wx^3}{2EI} dx = \frac{w\ell^4}{8EI}$$

Work done =  $1 \times y = y$ 

$$y = \frac{w\ell^4}{8EI}$$

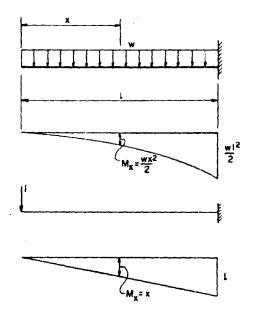


Figure 1-4. Cantilever beam for Example 1-6.