

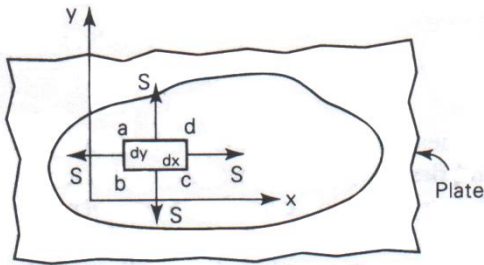
AE 361 APPLIED ELASTICITY  
LECTURE NOTES

Prandtl Stress Function

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = -2G\theta \dots\dots\dots(*)$$

$$T = 2 \iint \phi \, dx \, dy$$

6.5 Prandtl's Membrane Analogy

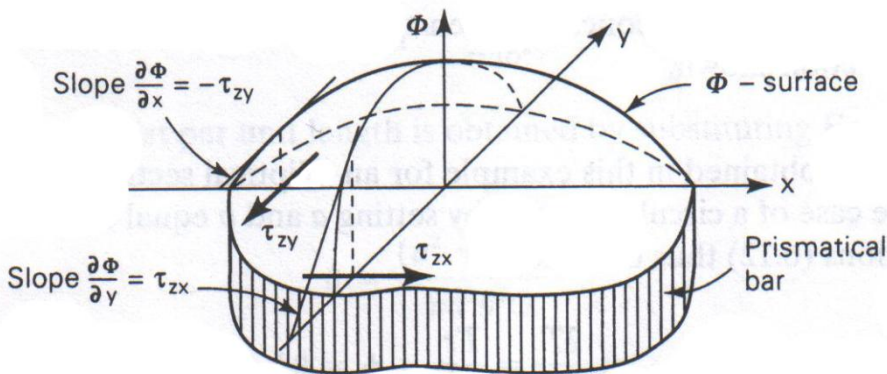


$$\tau_{zx} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \quad \tau_{zy} = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}$$

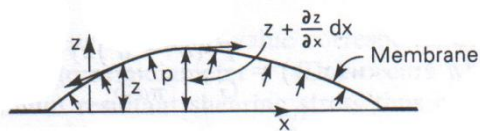
Equation (\*) is the same form as the equation describing the deflection of a membrane (or soap film) subject to pressure.

( $\Phi = z = \text{height of soap film}$ )

Derivation: Equation for the deflection z



Let the tensile force per unit membrane length be denoted by  $s = \text{constant}$ .



$$\beta + \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial x} dx$$

$$z + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx$$

$$\sum F_z = 0$$

$$(-\int dy) \sin \beta + (\int dy) \left( \beta + \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial x} dx \right) - (\int dx) \alpha + (\int dx) \left( \alpha + \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial y} dy \right) + P dx dy = 0, \sin \beta \approx \beta$$

$$\int dy \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} dx + \int dx \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} dy + P dx dy = 0$$

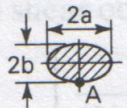

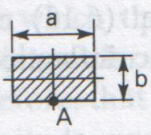
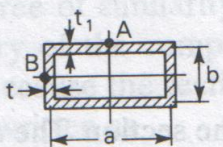
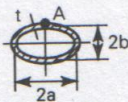

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{P}{s}$$

Comparison

TABLE 6.1

<i>Membrane Problem</i>	<i>Torsion Problem</i>
$z$	$\Phi$
$\frac{1}{S}$	$G$
$p$	$2\theta$
$-\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$	$\tau_{zy}, \tau_{zx}$
$2 \cdot (\text{volume beneath membrane})$	$T$

TABLE 6.2

Cross section	Maximum shearing stress	Angle of twist per unit length	
 For circular bar: $a = b$	$\tau_A = \frac{2T}{\pi ab^2}$	$\theta = \frac{(a^2 + b^2)T}{\pi a^3 b^3 G}$	
 Equilateral triangle	$\tau_A = \frac{20T}{a^3}$	$\theta = \frac{46.2T}{a^4 G}$	
	$\tau_A = \frac{T}{\alpha ab^2}$	$\theta = \frac{T}{\beta ab^3 G}$	
	a/b	$\beta$	$\alpha$
	1.0	0.141	0.208
	1.5	0.196	0.231
	2.0	0.229	0.246
	2.5	0.249	0.256
	3.0	0.263	0.267
	4.0	0.281	0.282
	5.0	0.291	0.292
10.0	0.312	0.312	
$\infty$	0.333	0.333	
	$\tau_A = \frac{T}{2abt_1}$ $\tau_B = \frac{T}{2abt}$	$\theta = \frac{(at + bt_1)T}{2tt_1 a^2 b^2 G}$	
 For circular tube: $a = b$	$\tau_A = \frac{T}{2\pi abt}$	$\theta = \frac{\sqrt{2(a^2 + b^2)}T}{4\pi a^2 b^2 t G}$	
 Hexagon	$\tau_A = \frac{5.7T}{a^3}$	$\theta = \frac{8.8T}{a^4 G}$	

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{P}{s}$$

$$z = -\frac{P}{2s}x^2 + C_1x + C_2$$

Boundary conditions:

$$\text{at } x = 0 \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0 \quad z = \frac{1P}{2s} \left[ \left( \frac{t}{2} \right)^2 - x^2 \right]$$

$$\text{at } x = \pm \frac{t}{2} \quad z = 0$$

Volume of the parabolic cylindrical membrane is

$$V = \iint_{-b/2}^{b/2} 2dx dy = \frac{Pbt^3}{12S}$$

Define an effective polar moment of inertia

$$J_e = \frac{1}{3}bt^3 \text{ for rectangular cross section}$$

$$T = 2V = \frac{1}{3}bt^3 G\theta = J_e \lambda_{\max} G\theta$$

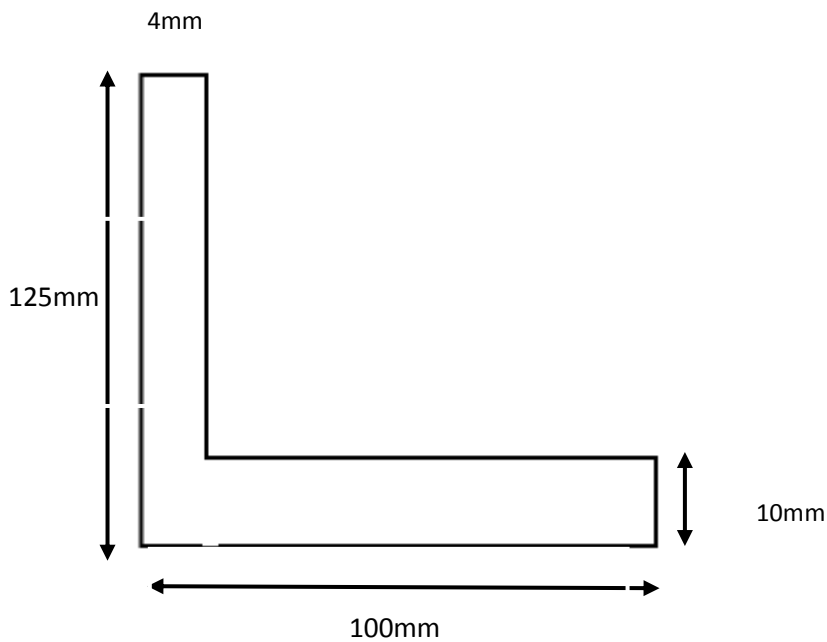
SHEAR STRESS

$$\lambda_{zy} = -\frac{dz}{dx} = 2G\theta x$$

$$\text{Angle of Twist per unit length } \lambda_{\max} = G\theta t \quad \theta = \frac{T}{J_e G}$$

$$\text{Then } T = \frac{J_e \lambda_{\max}}{t}$$

Example



A steel bar  $G=200\text{GPa}$  of cross section shown is subject to a torque of  $500\text{ Nm}$

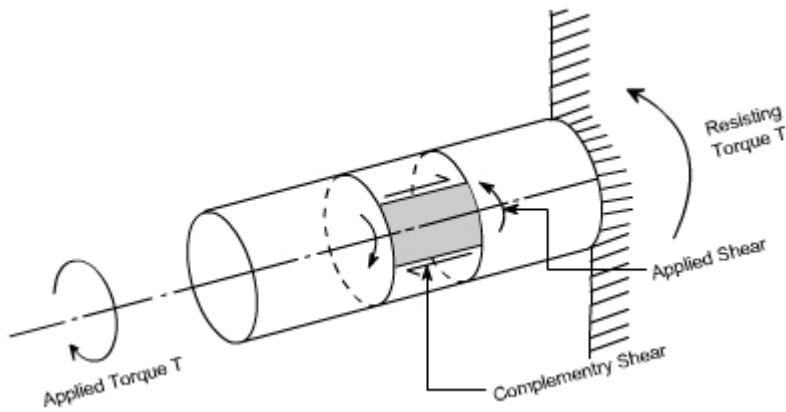
- Determine max shear stress?

Solution

$$J_e = J_{e1} + J_{e2} = \frac{1}{3}b_1t_1^3 + \frac{1}{3}b_2t_2^3$$
$$= \frac{1}{3}*(100)*(10)^3 + \frac{1}{3}(125)*(4)^3$$
$$= 3,5787*10^4 \text{ mm}^4$$

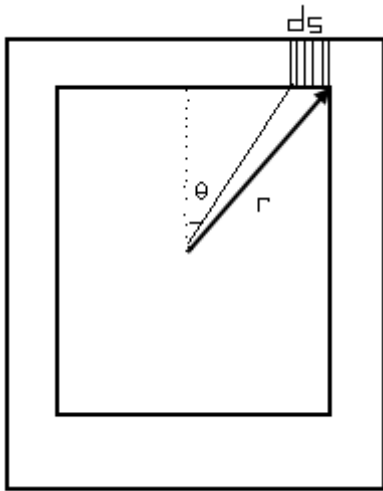
$$\lambda_{\max} = \frac{Tt}{J_e} \quad \text{where } t=t_1$$
$$= 500*(0,01)/3,578*10^4 = 139,7 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\theta = \frac{T}{J_e G} = 69,86*10^{-3} \text{ rad}$$



z For this rectangular section force equation equals ,

$$F_z = 0 \quad \lambda_1 dz t_1 + \lambda_2 dz t_2 = 0 \quad \lambda_1 t_1 = \lambda_2 t_2 = q = \text{shear flow and it is constant}$$



$$\text{Area} = \frac{dS r \cos \theta}{2}$$

the net force on the element is

$$\lambda(ds \cdot t) = q ds$$

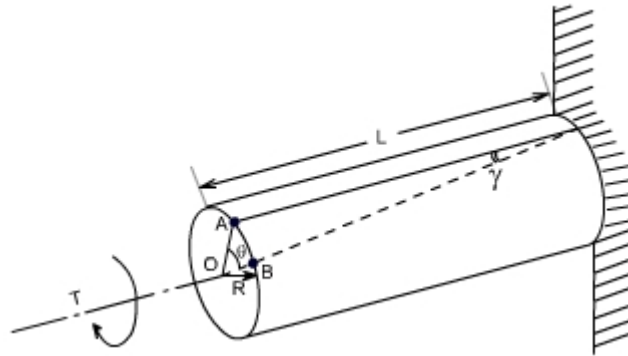
the total torque  $T_t$  0 to  $(r \cos \theta) q ds$

$$T = q \int_0^s (r \cos \theta) ds$$

$$2dA$$

$$T = 2qA \quad \& \quad \lambda = \frac{T}{2At}$$

## Angle of Twist



$$\gamma L = \theta r \text{ for } ds \text{ element}$$

$$\gamma L = \theta ds r \cos \phi$$

$$\frac{\lambda}{G} = \frac{q t}{G}$$

$$\theta ds = G \frac{q}{t} \frac{L}{r \cos \phi}$$

$$\underline{\text{Angle of Twist}} = \theta = \frac{1}{A} \int \theta ds dA$$

$$\theta = \frac{1}{2G} \frac{q l}{A} \int \frac{ds}{t}$$

$$\theta = \frac{TL}{G 4A^2} \int_0^s \frac{ds}{t}$$

$$\theta = \frac{TL}{GJ} \quad J_e = \frac{4A^2}{\int \frac{ds}{t}}$$

