

The following derivation will assume "pure bending" (bending moment is constant/shear force V = 0) and prismatic material. Longitudinal lines in the lower part of the beam are elongated (T) while those in the upper part are shortened (C). Somewhere between the top and bottom of the beam is a longitudinal surface in which there is no

length change. This surface is the neutral surface. It passes through the centroid of the cross-sectional area, assuming that the cross sectional area is symmetrical about the xy plane and load resultants act in this plane.



note: for negative bending moment, the arrows are reversed (compression on bottom, tension on top)



 ρ = radius of curvature curvature = $\kappa = \frac{1}{\rho}$

If the flexure is small, ρ is large and κ is small.

 $\frac{ds}{2\pi\rho}(2\pi) = d\theta \text{ where } \frac{ds}{2\pi\rho} \text{ is the fraction of arc}$ length change, and 2π radians = 360°. So, $\rho d\theta = ds \quad \kappa = \frac{d\theta}{ds}$ we deal with *very* small flexure, so $\kappa \approx \frac{d\theta}{dx}$ (θ in radians)

Now we're ready to find stress, strain, curvature, and deflection, in terms of bending moment.

Deflection (at midpoint) = $\delta = \rho - \rho \cos(\frac{d\theta}{2})$

$$d\theta = \frac{ds}{\rho} \approx \frac{L}{\rho} \quad \delta = \rho - \rho \cos(\frac{L}{2\rho})$$

An arbitrary line of above the x axis will shorten. Its original length = dx and its final length =

$$(\rho - y)d\theta \approx (\rho - y)(\frac{dx}{\rho}) = dx - \frac{y}{\rho}dx$$

longitudinal strain = $\frac{\text{longit length change}}{\text{original length}} = \epsilon$

$$=\frac{(dx - \frac{y}{\rho}dx) - dx}{dx} = \frac{-y}{\rho} \qquad \varepsilon = \frac{-y}{\rho} = -\kappa y$$
$$\sigma = E\varepsilon = \frac{-E y}{\rho} = -E \kappa y$$

Need to find a relationship between σ or κ and M :

$$M = \int_{A} (\frac{\text{force}}{\text{area}})(\text{dist})(\text{area}) = -\int_{A} \sigma y \, dA = \int_{A} \kappa E y^2 \, dA \quad \text{If area moment of inertia} = I = \int_{A} y^2 \, dA, \text{ then } \kappa = \frac{M}{EI} \quad \delta = \frac{EI}{M} - \frac{EI}{M} \cos(\frac{ML}{2EI}) \quad \varepsilon = \frac{-M}{EI} y \quad \text{note: } I \neq I_p$$

$$\sigma = -E(\frac{M}{EI})y = -\frac{My}{I} \quad \text{maximum tensile and compressive bending stresses occur at points located farthest from the neutral axis.}$$

$$(\sigma_1)_{max} = \frac{-Mc_1}{I} \quad (\sigma_2)_{max} = \frac{Mc_2}{I}$$

For positive M, σ_1 is compressive, σ_2 is tensile. For negative M, σ_1 is tensile, σ_2 is compressive. So, there are up to four strength conditions to check to determine σ_{max} for a given prismatic beam.

- see next example for center of mass and I calculation of an odd shape.

 $\frac{bh^3}{12}$

Rectangular cross-sect:
$$I = \frac{\pi d}{64}$$

flange
y
web

flange

Z

The "wide-flange" shape to the left approaches the ideal crosssect shape for a beam of given area and height. The narrowness of the web is limited only by the shear stress.

note: small deflections only note: these equations apply for cantilevered beams too note: bending stress is <u>NOT</u> significantly altered by the presence of shear stresses, so $\sigma = \frac{-My}{\sigma}$ can be used for non-uniform bending with M vielding σ

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{I}$$
 can be used for non-uniform bending with M_{max} yielding σ_{max} .

e.g. 1

Given: Beam with uniform cross-section shown and uniform load.





e.g. 2 Given: Beam cross section. Find: c₁, c₂, I



choose z' at bottom (
$$\overline{y} = c_2$$
):
 $\overline{y} = \frac{\sum A_i d_i}{\sum A_i} = \frac{(200)(100)(50) + [(200)(200) - \frac{\pi}{4}(120)^2](200)}{(300)(200) - \frac{\pi}{4}(120)^2}$
= 138.39mm

where (200)(100) is the area of the lower third and (200)(200) $-\frac{\pi}{4}(120)^2$ is the area of the upper two-thirds.



note: The upper two-thirds has height of 200mm. Looking at the dimensions on the figure, we can see that there is a height of 40mm above and 40mm below the cut-out circle within this upper two-thirds block.

This symmetry explains why the last term in the numerator, d_i , is 200 (goes from z' to the midpoint of the circle).

OR

$$\overline{y} = \frac{(300)(200)(150) - \frac{\pi}{4}(120)^2(200)}{(300)(200) - \frac{\pi}{4}(120)^2} = 138.39mm$$

where (300)(200) is the area of the solid rectangle and $\frac{\pi}{4}(120)^2$ is the area of the circle.

$$(I_{rect})_{z} = \frac{1}{12} (200)(300)^{3} + (300)(200)(11.61)^{2}$$
$$(I_{circ})_{z} = \frac{\pi}{64} (120)^{4} + \frac{\pi}{4} (120)^{2} (61.61)^{2}$$
$$I_{z} = (I_{rect})_{z} - (I_{circ})_{z} = 4.908 \times 10^{8} \text{ mm}^{4}$$

Bending stress design examples

Bending stress is not related to area and depends on more than one dimension (usually). It turns out, not surprisingly, that for a rectangular section in bending, $A \rightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow \infty$

and $b \rightarrow 0$. This is not surprising since we know that sections such as the wide-flange section, with the majority of material away from the neutral axis, are most cost effective. Design is best done using tables of common sections.

Often $\frac{I}{c_1}$ and $\frac{I}{c_2}$ are written as S_1 and S_2 , where S = "section modulus." This simplifies the use of tables.

e.g. 1 Given: Wood beam with rectangular cross-sect, is subjected to the load shown. density

$$= 35 \frac{lb}{ft^3} \quad \sigma_{allow} = 1800 \, psi$$

Find: Suitable size beam (base x height) from appendix A.



h b (cross-section) From Appendix A, choose the lightest (smallest cross-sect area) beam that has a section modulus S of at least $50.40 \rightarrow$ choose 3"x12". (3"x12" nominal dimensions, 2.5"x11.25" actual dimensions, s=52.73 in³) But we still have to include the beam's own weight:

Beam weight = (area)(density) = $\left(\frac{2.5in}{12in/ft} \times \frac{11.25in}{12in/ft}\right) \left(35\frac{lb}{ft^3}\right) = 6.8\frac{lb}{ft}$

$$S = \frac{90,720 + \frac{(6.8)(12)^2(12)}{8}}{1800} = 51.22in^3 \text{ or } S = (50.40)(\frac{426.8}{420}) = 51.22in^3$$

This is still smaller than the section modulus for the 3×12 in. beam, so that size is satisfactory.

note: If $c_1 \neq c_2$, then the problem is more complicated, but still follows the same basic process.

note: We have ignored the phenomenon known as "lateral torsional buckling", which will be emphasized in the outline on steel design later on.

e.g. 2

Given: beam supports the two-wheeled vehicle shown. It may occupy any position on the beam. $\sigma_{allow} = 21.4ksi$ Find: M_{max} and the corresponding S_{min} .





$$M_{max} = M(z+60) = -\frac{1}{48}(z+60)(-114+z) + 3z \qquad z \in [0, 288-60]$$

$$\Rightarrow z_{max} = 99in, M_{max} = 346.7 kip * in \qquad S_{min} = \frac{346.7}{21.4} = 16.2in^{3}$$

note: could then use a table to choose an efficient beam size.

Tapered beams

To really minimize the amount of material, the cross-sect dimensions can be varied so as to develop the maximum allowable bending stress at every section.

e.g. Given: cantilevered beam with point load shown. Find: h_x so that $\sigma = \sigma_{allow}$ at every cross-section.



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APPENDIX

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Appendix A

SECTION PROPERTIES FOR SAWN LUMBER AND TIMBER

	Standard	Area	X-X Axis		Y-Y Axis		+	1			
			Moment		Moment		Board	Weight in pounds per linear foot of piece wh			
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1×3	1×21	1.875	0.977	0.781	0.088	0.234	1	0.520	0.551	0.699	
1×4	1×31	2.625	2.680	1.531	0.123	0.328	\$	0.450	0.047	1.000	
1×6	1×51	4.125	10.398	3.781	0.193	0.516	*	0.716	0.859	1.005	
1×8	4×71	5.438	23.817	6.570	0.255	0.680	3	0.944	1.133	1.322	
1 1 10	1 × 91	6.938	49,466	10.695	0.325	0.867	t	1.204	1.445	1.686	
1×12	1×11	8.438	88.989	15.820	0.396	1.055	1	1.465	1.758	2.051	
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2 × 4*	1 × 3	5.250	5.359	3.005	1 547	9.068	1	1.432	1.719	2.005	
2×6ª	11 × 51	8.250	20.797	7.505	0.090	9 710	11	1 888	2,266	2.643	
2×8*	11 × 71	10.875	47.635	13.141	2.039	2./19	13	9 400	2 891	3.372	
2 × 10*	11×91	13.875	98.932	21.391	2.602	3.409	13	2.109	8 516	4 109	
2 × 12*	11×11	16.875	177.979	31.641	3.164	4.219	Z	2.950	4.141	4 981	
2×14*	11×131	19.875	290.775	43.891	3.727	4.969	25	3.451	4.141	4.031	
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3×14	21×131	33.125	484.625	75.151	17.200	15.002	4	6.619	7.943	9.266	
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