

Worksheet:

A section of magnesium alloy is being tested. It is subjected to a 12 kN compression force. The length is 50 mm. The cross section is 10 mm by 10 mm. The longitudinal strain is 0.0015. Poisson's ratio for the material is 0.35.

- Find the average normal stress at the instant when the load is applied.
- Find $\delta_{\text{Longitudinal}}$
- Find the height and width of the cross section after compression.



Lateral Strain:

$$\epsilon' = \frac{\delta_{\text{Lateral}}}{W_0}$$

Longitudinal Strain:

$$\epsilon = \frac{\delta_{\text{Longitudinal}}}{L_0}$$

Poisson's ratio:

$$\nu = -\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}$$

$$a) \sigma = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{12 \text{ kN}}{(10 \text{ mm})(10 \text{ mm})} = 0.12 \text{ kN/mm}^2 = \underline{\underline{120 \text{ MPa}}} \text{ ANS.}$$

$$b) \delta_{\text{LONGITUDINAL}} = -\epsilon L_0 = -0.0015 (50 \text{ mm}) = \underline{\underline{-0.075 \text{ mm}}} \text{ ANS} \quad [\text{NEGATIVE BECAUSE OF COMPRESSION}]$$

$$c) \nu = -\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}$$

$$0.35 = -\frac{\epsilon'}{(-0.0015)}$$

$$\epsilon' = 0.000525 = \frac{\delta_{\text{LATERAL}}}{W_0} = \frac{\delta_{\text{LATERAL}}}{10 \text{ mm}}$$

$$\delta_{\text{LATERAL}} = 0.00525 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{NEW HEIGHT AND WIDTH} = 10 \text{ mm} + 0.00525 \text{ mm} = \underline{\underline{10.00525 \text{ mm}}} \text{ ANS}$$