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## PREFACE

This book is intended to serve as a textbook for courses in general machine design and as a reference book in mechanical-design offices. It is assumed that the reader has a knowledge of mechanics, strength of materials, kinematics, mechanical processes, and engineering materials including their properties. A statement of the necessary elements of these background subjects is given for reference.

The analytical method combined with results of experimental investigation has been used wherever possible, and the empirical method has been used only when it is impractical to use the analytical approach. In the latter class of problems, the direction of rationalization is indicated by references.

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Changes in this edition are mainly in fuller explanation of principles, assumptions, statements, and methods, in the addition of worked-out examples, and in the inclusion of some applications which were omitted in the first edition in the interest of a somewhat condensed book. In addition, the coverage of the field has been broadened by treating more fully the selection of material, types of power-transmission units, motor selection, and other phases of comprehensive applications. The standards have been brought up to date, including those for screw threads and the ratings of power-transmission chains and V belts and gears, as well as new codes and practices.

The problems at the back of the book are representative of the field covered and each problem is based on an actual installation with emphasis on the design type of problem rather than on the analysis type. In this revision the number of short problems has been increased; also there have been added several longer problems which require the related consideration of items such as application requirements, selection of material, units of power transmission, motor selection, and other phases of comprehensive problems.

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## CHAPTER 1

# INTRODUCTION

As one stands before any machine which is operating—such as a plastic-molding machine turning out say a hundred switch-box covers each hour, or a punch press performing a dozen operations simultaneously at each stroke on a steel part for a computing machine, or the main reduction gears of the propulsion machinery of a ship which change the speed from the turbine speed of 3,600 rpm to propeller-shaft speed of 225 rpm while transmitting 8,500 hp, or a turboalternator running at 1,800 rpm supplying light and power to a community at a peak load of 50,000 kw at 5 P.M. on a December day—as one watches such machines in operation, he is bound to have feelings of awe and reverence for their performance and their power, both mechanical and economic. He will no doubt notice the form of the machine and of the visible parts. He may note that many of the parts appear complicated and that their operation contributes to the operation of the machine as a whole in a synchronized manner. Watching such a machine is an inspiration to a mechanically minded person to understand its construction, operation, and performance.

The operation and performance of the machine as a whole depends on the individual parts, each of which has individual characteristics just as the machine as a whole has its characteristics. These individual parts may be shafts, couplings, bearings, gears, brakes, controls, or many other units.

The production of such a machine is the result of an enormous amount of directed work: theoretical, experimental, and manual. The theoretical work includes the application of the laws of physics, including thermodynamics, mechanics, and strength of materials, chemistry and, invariably, of the mathematical methods. The experimental work involves the verification of the laws and relations that were developed from theoretical considerations, the determination of the properties of materials, the analyses of stress, strain, and vibrations in complicated structures, and the performance of complete machines and units of machines, such as power-transmission units. The manual work involves actual production in the shop, which makes use of highly developed techniques. Other factors that must be considered are safety and economics. Each of

these, as well as many others that are not mentioned, is in the province of experts who confine their activities mainly to the fields of their specialization.

In the production of every machine, someone must have the over-all responsibility of deciding on the mechanical arrangements to be used, of making use of the information provided by the specialized fields mentioned above, and of combining them by engineering judgment so that the machine can be manufactured economically, so that it will perform its specified function properly, and will have a satisfactory life and maintenance. The man who has this over-all responsibility is the mechanical designer, or machine designer.

In each design, a number of operations are involved.

1. It may be necessary to decide on the kinematic arrangement of the parts of the machine. In a new machine, this may call on the creative ability of the designer, that is, on his ingenuity, inventiveness, resourcefulness, originality, and intuition. In this procedure it is always well to begin by setting down a clear statement of the problem.<sup>1</sup> Creative ability applies not only to the kinematic arrangement of the parts but also to other phases of design, such as devising new operating processes, new materials, and new production methods. It may be an individual or a group operation. After the kinematic arrangement of the parts has been established, their motion may require detailed analysis. This analysis may involve the use of tentative dimensions that may require alteration as the design progresses and the dynamic characteristics become established.

2. The maximum forces coming on the parts and the nature of the forces must be determined. The forces may be due to either static or impact loading, and they may or may not be applied repeatedly. Inertia forces may also be induced, and vibration forces which are either locally induced or transmitted from another member may be present. Frequently it is not possible to determine the forces exactly and in these cases the judgment of the designer is required to estimate the maximum forces, his decision being based on factors which occasionally may be somewhat indeterminate.

3. The ability of the member to function properly must be considered.

<sup>1</sup> For instance, in telephone equipment the soldered connection has proved unsatisfactory. The Bell Laboratories set out to devise a method of making connections which would have the following characteristics: high conductivity, long life, speed in manufacturing, quality independent of maker, small space, no necessity for clipping ends of wire, and low cost. That was the statement of the problem. The solution was the development of the solderless wrapped connection made by an electrically driven wrapping tool. This connection is replacing soldered connections in Western Electric communication equipment. See J. J. Kuhn, Sr., Solderless Wrapped Connections, *Bell Labs. Record*, February, 1954.

This involves both the material of the member and its size and shape. The selection of the material requires a consideration of mechanical properties, of heat-treatment, and of manufacturing processes. The load-carrying ability, which will be discussed in detail later, may depend on the yield point of the material, its modulus of rigidity, ductility, heat-treating characteristics, endurance limit, strength, or creep limit. In addition, the shape and finish of the member may have a considerable effect on its strength.

4. The manufacturing process by which the member is to be made must be selected. This involves consideration of the effects of the process on the properties of the material and on the cost of the processing. The latter item is obviously of great importance in any design intended for production in large numbers.

After the part has been satisfactorily designed to operate properly (*functional design*), it may be necessary to make a *production design* in order to reduce the cost to a minimum.<sup>1</sup>

5. In most designs it is necessary to consider additional items, such as safety, appearance, cost of operation, standard codes, thermal effects, contamination, corrosion, and maintenance.

This book attempts to cover the principles of general machine design. Chapters 3 to 8 cover essentially the design of parts for strength and rigidity. This section includes the selection of material for making the parts. Chapters 9 to 12 cover fastenings, springs, cylinders, and translation screws. Chapters 13 to 19 may be termed the power-transmission section. This is a most important section for industrial applications. Chapters 20, 21, and 22 cover surface finish, friction, wear, lubrication, and journal-bearing design and selection of rolling-contact bearings. The last chapter, Chap. 25, is on motor selection and is included since many machines include a motor in the drive and the characteristics of the motor may have a marked effect on the design of the entire equipment.

The problems in the back of the book are based in most cases on data from actual installations. They are mainly of the design type rather than analysis problems. The comprehensive problems at the end of the problem section are intended to illustrate the design procedure, the integration of work covered in the various chapters, and the necessary correlation between the five steps stated earlier in this chapter. This correlation is made necessary by the related functioning and performance of each part of the machine. Experience in the field gives the machine designer an appreciation of this interesting process.

There are numerous references indicated throughout the text as foot-

<sup>1</sup> E. Buckingham, "Production Engineering," John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1942; Herbert Chase, "Handbook on Designing for Quantity Production," McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1944.

notes. While it is realized that some students may not have the opportunity to consult these references or may not have them readily available, they are given to indicate the scope and sources of further developments and for the direct use of interested designers. Most of these references carry selected bibliographies for further reference.<sup>1</sup>

Just as the field of machine design today involves requirements of manufacture and performance which were unknown or unappreciated a generation ago, the coming generation must deal with problems which today are just coming to light. High- and low-temperature and high-pressure applications of materials are two of the pressing developments. The advent of the gas turbine and of atomic power production and utilization is requiring performances which were considered impossible a few years ago. And, finally, the trend today is to require smaller and smaller things to do bigger and bigger jobs and to do them better. The machine designer who appreciates each of the five items listed earlier in this chapter and also a sixth item, *to make each of the other five work together effectively*, is in an excellent position to handle the problems which will be demanded tomorrow by industry.

<sup>1</sup> Two excellent general sources of additional information are Marks' "Mechanical Engineers' Handbook," 5th ed., McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1951, and Kent's "Mechanical Engineers' Handbook, Design and Production," 12th ed., John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1950.

## CHAPTER 2

### MACHINE-DESIGN COMPUTATIONS

**2-1 Importance of computations.** Design procedure in engineering offices usually requires the making of computations and notes that become the property of the firm or company rather than of the individual who makes them. As a rule the computations are checked by someone other than the designer; hence they should be made and recorded so that they can be followed readily by the reviewer; in other words they should, so far as possible, be self-explanatory.

In order that a designer may acquire the habit of making computations in good form and of keeping them orderly, he should constantly keep in mind that they are a record of that phase of the design and that others may have occasion to refer to them.

It is interesting to look back over a sample of one's own computations which were made a year or so previously. If they are readily understood, it indicates that they have good form. If not, one can easily imagine that another person would not be impressed with the ability or the courtesy of their originator.

**2-2 Form of computations.** To aid the designer in developing good form, some suggestions are made here. Many of these are undoubtedly already followed by the reader, some of them may be new, but they are generally characteristic of a presentable record and it is suggested that all of them be tried.

1. Each sheet should carry the designer's name, date, and consecutive numbers if more than one sheet is used.

2. One side only of the paper should be used and a 1-in. strip on the left edge of the sheet should be reserved for binding.

3. If possible, a sketch should be drawn for every problem. The sketch should be neat and correctly drawn, and may be used to show the arrangement of the parts, and to show such data as dimensions, speeds, materials, etc. For data that cannot be shown on the sketch, a list should be used.

4. Each step should be set off, labeled or lettered, so that divisions of the work can be readily identified. This corresponds to using paragraphs in ordinary written matter and is helpful in making computations understandable.

5. All pertinent assumptions should be stated and references given.
6. Equations should be solved for the unknown quantity before numerical substitutions are made.
7. The numerical substitutions should follow the literal equation and be in order, term for term.
8. Units should not be placed in numerical equations. If a check on units is desirable, a separate dimensional equation should be used.
9. Units should be indicated for every separate value or result that has units, whether it be data, intermediate calculated value, or final result. The ASA abbreviations are recommended (see Appendix I).
10. Long equations should be avoided if possible; instead, intermediate values or particular physical quantities should be calculated separately before being inserted into the parent equation.
11. An unjustified number of significant figures should not be used.
12. Calculated dimensions of parts should be rounded out to nominal sizes and indicated, as, for example,  $d = 2.95$ ; use 3 in.
13. Values in an equation in formal computations should not be canceled. Since erasures should be avoided, a change is indicated by drawing a line through the old value and writing the new value over or under the old. Canceling values would be confusing. Do any canceling off to one side.
14. All results should be considered from the standpoint of their reasonability.

**2-3 General solution.** In solving problems involving several quantities, it is usually desirable to make a general solution first, using symbols for the quantities involved and after the general solution is completed, to make numerical substitutions for the particular solution that is required. This method of making a general solution first has several advantages, some of which are as follows:

1. It provides the possibility of making a dimensional check on the final expression.
2. It makes it possible to determine the number of significant figures to which the quantities must be determined in order to obtain a desired degree of accuracy of the final result.
3. It facilitates making an alternative solution with changed data. This procedure, which is discussed later, is invariably necessary in engineering offices.
4. A general solution can be used for making subsequent solutions of the same problem. If one mixes particular numerical values in a derivation, it becomes necessary to repeat the entire derivation if a new set of data is specified.

**2-4 Absolute and relative errors.** The difference between a measured value and its exact value is termed the absolute error. Thus, if the

measured value is too large, the error is positive, and if too small, it is a negative error. If the absolute error is divided by the exact value, the result is the relative error and is usually expressed as a percentage. In engineering, the relative error frequently has more significance than the absolute error. The following comparison will illustrate the difference.

1. An absolute error of 30 mph in determining the speed of an airplane traveling 300 mph is a relative error of 10 per cent. This illustrates poor accuracy.

2. A measurement of the distance from New York to San Francisco with an absolute error of 30 miles is a relative error of 1.2 per cent. This is good accuracy.

3. Michelson determined that the commonly used velocity of light was 30 mps in absolute error. This is a relative error of 0.016 per cent, which is highly accurate.

**2-5 Errors in computations.**<sup>1</sup> Let  $A$  and  $B$  represent the correct values of two quantities and  $m$  and  $n$  be, respectively, the relative errors involved in the measurement of the two quantities.

*Addition of two numbers when one contains an error.*

$$\begin{aligned} A + B &= C && \text{the correct result} \\ (A + mA) + B &= D && \text{the result containing the error} \end{aligned}$$

The absolute error in the result is equal to

$$D - C = (A + mA) + B - (A + B) = mA$$

The relative error in the result is equal to

$$\frac{mA}{A + B} = \frac{m}{1 + (B/A)}$$

The last result is less than  $m$ . Therefore, in adding quantities, a relative error in one of the quantities does not affect the result by as great a relative error as in the inexact quantity.

*Subtraction of two numbers when one contains an error.*

$$\begin{aligned} A - B &= C && \text{the correct result} \\ (A + mA) - B &= D && \text{the result containing the error} \end{aligned}$$

The absolute error in the result is equal to

$$D - C = (A + mA) - B - (A - B) = mA$$

The relative error in the result is equal to

$$\frac{mA}{A - B} = \frac{m}{1 - (B/A)}$$

<sup>1</sup> J. B. Scarborough, "Numerical Mathematical Analysis," Johns Hopkins Press, Baltimore, 1930.

The last result is greater than  $m$ . Therefore, in subtracting two quantities, an error in one of the quantities affects the result by a larger relative error than that in the original quantity. In case the two quantities  $A$  and  $B$  have nearly the same value, the relative error in the result due to an error in  $A$  or  $B$  may be considerable. This magnification of error is shown by the chart, Fig. 2-1, which illustrates the effect of a 1 per cent error in the larger of two numbers in subtraction.

*Addition and subtraction of two numbers when both contain errors.* It may be shown that in addition and subtraction of numbers containing errors, the result contains an absolute error equal to the *sum* of the absolute errors of the individual quantities.

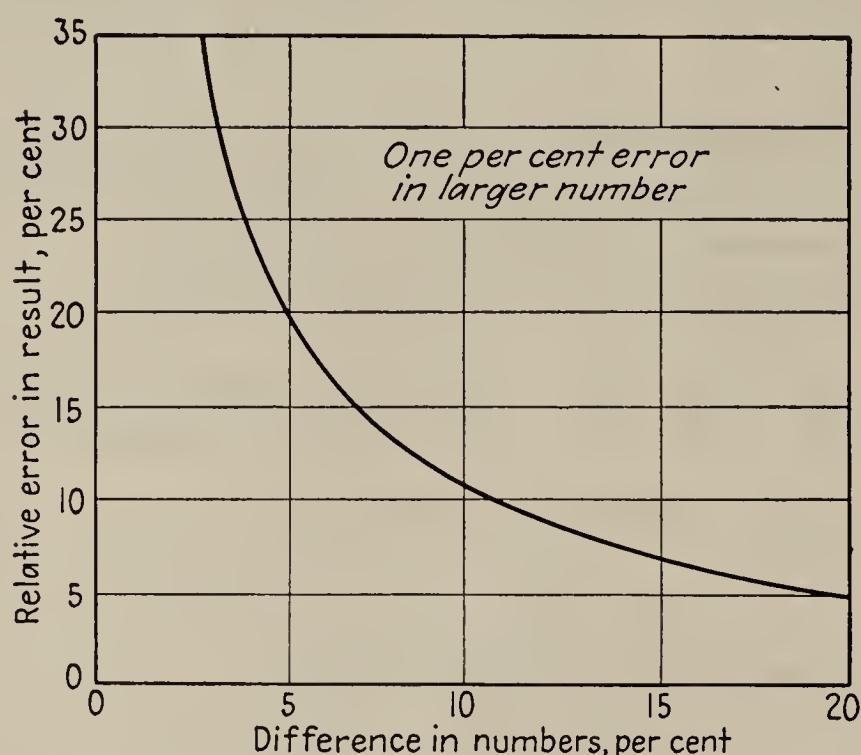


FIG. 2-1. Effect of errors in subtraction of numbers.

*Multiplication and division of two numbers when one contains an error.*

$$\begin{array}{ll} A \times B = C & \text{the correct result} \\ (A + mA) \times B = D & \text{the result containing the error} \end{array}$$

The absolute error in the result is equal to

$$D - C = (A + mA) \times B - AB = mA B$$

The relative error in the result is equal to

$$\frac{mA B}{AB} = m$$

Therefore, in multiplication as well as in division of quantities, a relative error in one of the quantities affects the result by the same relative error.

*Multiplication of two numbers when both contain errors.*

$$\begin{array}{ll} A \times B = C & \text{the correct result} \\ (A + mA)(B + nB) = D & \text{the result containing the error} \end{array}$$

The absolute error in the result is

$$\begin{aligned} D - C &= (A + mA)(B + nB) - AB \\ &= AB(m + n + mn) \end{aligned}$$

The relative error is equal to

$$\frac{AB(m + n + mn)}{AB} = m + n + mn$$

For small values of  $m$  and  $n$ , the term  $mn$  can be dropped to obtain an approximate result. Therefore, for relative errors of small value in two (or more) numbers, the relative error in their product is approximately equal to the algebraic sum of the relative errors in the numbers. Thus, if two numbers each have 3 per cent errors, their product will be in error by 6 per cent, using the approximate method. The actual percentage error is 6.09.

*Raising a number to a power.* In this case, the relative error in the result is approximately equal to the relative error in the number multiplied by the power when the relative error of the number is not large.

*Extracting a root of a number.* In this case, the relative error in the result equals the relative error in the number divided by the root where the relative error is not large.

**2-6 Revising computations.** The methods discussed above may be used to revise computations as required by small changes in specifications or data. Here, the change in the quantity may be considered as a *difference* between a new and an old value just the same as an error is a *difference* between a measured value and the correct value. In changed data, the effect of the change on the quantity being solved for depends on the mathematical operations involved (addition, multiplication, etc.), and the methods worked out above may be used to alter an old result without re-solving the equations involved.

As an example, the diameter of a solid circular shaft subjected to a torsional moment  $T$  may be determined by the use of the equation

$$d = \sqrt[3]{\frac{16T}{\pi s}}$$

where  $s$  is the allowable shearing stress. Assume that a diameter  $d$  has been calculated for a particular value of  $T$  and  $s$ . If, for example, the data are changed so that the torque  $T$  is increased 10 per cent, the corresponding diameter of the shaft will be increased approximately  $3\frac{1}{3}$  per cent over that indicated by the original calculation.

## CHAPTER 3

### LOADING, INDUCED STRESSES, AND FAILURE

**3-1 The design problem.** In arriving at the most satisfactory design of a machine, the designer makes use of mechanics, strength of materials, properties of materials and their heat-treatment, manufacturing processes, and other fields of the applied sciences, combining them in a practical manner by using ingenuity and design judgment, so that the machine can be produced in the most economical manner and so that it will perform its required functions satisfactorily.

In the design of machine parts that are severely loaded, the *stresses* are kept within limits by using proper size, form, material, and finish for the parts. Examples of such parts are the head shaft of an elevator which supports the drum, cables, elevator cage, and passengers or freight; the shaft of a turboalternator carrying the rotor which may weigh upwards of a million pounds; and the bolts holding in place the cylinders of an aircraft engine.

In the design of another class of parts, strength is likewise important but also the *deflection* requirements are equally important and may be more influential than strength in establishing the size of the parts. A typical example is a shaft which supports gears. Here the gear teeth must be well aligned under load, and this usually requires a larger shaft than if strength alone were the criterion for satisfactory service. In this case too, vibration characteristics are important and they are evaluated not in terms of strength of the shaft but of its stiffness.

In another class of parts, production requirements and assembly and handling are determining factors, such as the housing for a speed reducer. Here strength calculations are difficult, if not impossible, and in cast housings they are usually not significant. That is, the thickness of the housing wall for strength alone may be too thin to cast properly, and it may become broken in shipment or in handling by the customer if he drops it, which must be anticipated. Therefore the stresses due to service loads in a practical casting are usually low because the parts are made overly heavy. In this case the added rigidity due to the heavy parts is of benefit in maintaining alignment of the parts.

Finally, in another class of parts, usually small, as in instruments, con-

trol parts, business machines, and telephone equipment, the parts may have small service loads so that their size is determined not by strength requirements but rather by those of kinematics, processing, assembly, accessibility, adjusting, etc.

The above discussion is not intended to be inclusive of all kinds of parts which a machine designer may encounter, but points out that strength and stiffness are not the only criteria in the design of many machine parts.

In the design of a load-carrying member, three of the quantities that must be determined by the designer are (1) the applied loads on the member, (2) the stresses and deflections produced by the applied loads and their comparison with permissible values, and (3) the material of the member and its size and form. Some of these quantities are related, and many of them are of such a nature that they cannot be determined exactly but must be approximated according to the judgment of the designer. The exercise of this judgment requires a thorough knowledge of fundamental principles and an appreciation of the balance and compromises which are invariably necessary.

For example, in the design of a camshaft, the forces on the shaft due to the action of a cam and its follower depend on the mass of the follower and frequently also on a spring force, on the speed of operation and the cam profile, on the clearance between the cam and the follower which may or may not be properly adjusted, and on the deflection and vibration characteristics of the shaft itself.

The stresses induced in the shaft may be kept within limits by using a large shaft, but space and weight limitations may require a small shaft; also heat-treatment is more effective on small parts and usually small parts cost less. On the other hand, allowable deflections and vibration characteristics may require a larger shaft. Then the bearings for the shaft should be considered, since their selection is influenced by the size of the shaft which in turn affects the loads on the shaft and bearings. To save weight, a hollow shaft may be considered but this may be too expensive for the price class of the machine.<sup>1</sup>

If the shaft is too large for space requirements, the designer may consider using alloy steel instead of carbon steel, but the alloy steel and the required heat-treatment may unduly increase the cost; also alloy steel and carbon steel have the same deflection properties and if deflection is important, which is frequently the case since it affects vibration characteristics and bearing performance, alloy steel is no better than carbon steel.

Thus it can be appreciated that the solution of this problem is more

<sup>1</sup> In a machine in the appliance field recently placed on the market by one of our large manufacturing companies, the first item in the specifications was: Retail selling price shall be \$14.95.

than substituting given values in an equation and using a slide rule for the result, but instead it becomes an interesting experience of balancing several interrelated and generally conflicting characteristics and influences.

The three quantities discussed above, *i.e.*, loads, induced and allowable stresses, and the corresponding deflections are discussed in this chapter and in the two following ones in order to provide a background for dealing with them in the design of machine members.

**3-2 Types of loads.** A *static* load is one which does not vary in magnitude, direction, or point of application. It may also be defined as a load

that induces stresses that do not vary. Some examples of static loads are those on members due to dead weights, tightening-up loads on bolts, and centrifugal forces on a disk rotating at constant speed. Loads that vary somewhat but only infrequently are often treated as static loads, for example, the spring load on a safety valve.

A *cyclic* load is one that induces stresses which vary in magnitude and/or direction. Cyclic loads may or may not be accompanied by shock. Examples of cyclic loads are those on a gear tooth and loads on a rotating shaft subjected to a bending moment. Loads caused by vibration are cyclic. This type of load is sometimes referred to as a repeated load or a fatigue load.

*Shock* loads<sup>1</sup> are due to impact. To investigate the effect of shock, an elastic system loaded by a falling weight  $W$ , as shown in Fig. 3-1, will be used as an example.

The system shown is one whose elastic displacement  $\delta$  of the point of load application is proportional to the load producing it, that is,  $P = C\delta$ , where  $C$  is a constant for the system.

Let  $W$  = falling weight, lb

$h$  = height of free fall, in.

$\delta$  = displacement of point of load application, in.

$P$  = impact load, lb

$C = P/\delta$  = lb per in. of deflection

By assuming that the support is unyielding, the energy given up by the falling weight will be absorbed wholly by the system. Assuming also that the mass of the system is small so that its inertia forces may be neglected and that the stresses induced are within the elastic limit, the energy absorbed by the system will be equal to the product of the average

<sup>1</sup> S. Timoshenko, "Strength of Materials," 2d ed., I, p. 300, D. Van Nostrand Company, Inc., New York, 1940; also Merhyle F. Spotts, Impact Stress in Elastic Bodies, *Product Eng.*, vol. 17, no. 3, p. 200, March, 1946.

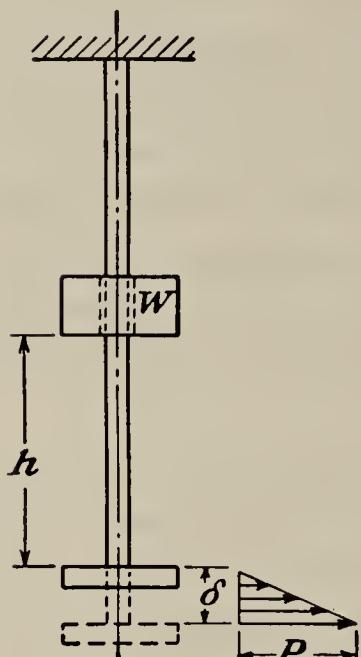


FIG. 3-1. Shock loading.

load and the displacement, or  $\frac{1}{2}P\delta$ . By equating this energy to that given up by the falling weight, the following equation is obtained:

$$\frac{1}{2}P\delta = W(h + \delta) \quad (3-1)$$

But  $\delta = P/C$  where  $C$  is a constant, lb per in., for a system. Substituting this value of  $\delta$  into Eq. (3-1) and solving for  $P$  gives

$$P = W \left( 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{2Ch}{W}} \right) \quad (3-2)$$

If Eq. (3-2) is written as

$$\frac{P}{W} = 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{2Ch}{W}} \quad (3-3)$$

the quantity  $P/W$  may be termed a "shock factor" and represents the magnification of load caused by impact.

Note that the shock factor can be decreased by lowering  $C$ , that is, by reducing the number of pounds required to deflect the member 1 in., that is, make the system more "springy" or "soft."

In the example above, for a bar in tension,  $\delta = PL/AE$ , or

$$C = \frac{P}{\delta} = \frac{AE}{L}$$

By decreasing the area  $A$ , or by decreasing the modulus of elasticity  $E$  (using, for instance, rubber instead of steel), or by increasing  $L$ , then the value of  $C$  is decreased and the magnitude of the shock load  $P$  would be decreased.

The equation for  $P/\delta$  depends on the system, whether it be a bar in tension, a beam in bending, or a helical spring in tension or compression; in the case of a bar in torsion, the equivalent of  $C$  is radians per inch-pounds of torque. In the latter case, a new equation may be derived for the shock factor in which the equivalent value for  $C$  may be determined from  $\theta = TL/JG$ , that is,  $C = \theta/T$ .

If  $W$  in Eq. (3-2) were applied instantaneously and without initial velocity,  $h$  in the equation would be zero and the equation would reduce to

$$P = 2W$$

This equation indicates that the effect of applying a load suddenly is twice as severe as applying it statically. This is termed a suddenly applied load without velocity of approach. An example approximating this type of loading is the pressure caused by the explosion of gases in an internal-combustion engine cylinder which is caused by a rapid building up of pressure in a time of the order of 0.001 sec.

In case the time interval of application of the load is appreciable as compared with the natural frequency of the system, the shock factor would be less than indicated by the above equation.<sup>1</sup>

Referring back to the example of Fig. 3-1, the energy of the falling weight was transferred to the bar as strain energy so that when the weight reached its lowest position the bar would be in maximum tension. The tensile force in the bar would then accelerate the weight upward and in the absence of friction and windage the weight would be returned to its original position.

If the falling weight on striking the end of the bar became locked to it, the bar in tension would then accelerate the weight upward until the stress in the bar became zero. Then the moving weight being locked to the bar would place the bar in compression until the weight came to rest. At this point, consider the negative sign for the radical in Eq. (3-2).

In the above-described manner the bar would be subjected to a repeated load which would cause vibration of the support, granted that actually the support would not be rigid as assumed. The vibration would continue until the energy was dissipated due to damping.

**EXAMPLE 3-1.** A rigidly built-in steel cantilever has a cross section  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. deep,  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. wide, and is loaded 12 in. from the support. Determine the maximum bending stress in the beam, assuming (a) that a load of 8 lb is applied gradually and (b) that an 8-lb weight is dropped on the beam through a distance of  $\frac{3}{16}$  in.

**SOLUTION:** The section modulus is

$$\frac{I}{c} = \frac{bh^2}{6} = \frac{0.375 \times 0.5^2}{6} = 0.0156 \text{ in.}^2$$

(a) Static stress:

$$\frac{M}{I/c} = \frac{8 \times 12}{0.0156} = 6,150 \text{ psi}$$

(b) Impact stress:

The moment of inertia is

$$I = \frac{bh^3}{12} = \frac{0.375 \times 0.5^3}{12} = 0.00390 \text{ in.}^3$$

From the equation for deflection of a cantilever,

$$\delta = \frac{PL^3}{3EI} \quad (\text{Appendix III})$$

$$C = \frac{P}{\delta} = \frac{3EI}{L^3} = \frac{3 \times 30,000,000 \times 0.00390}{12^3} = 204 \text{ lb per in.}$$

The shock factor, Eq. (3-3), is

$$\frac{P}{W} = 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{2Ch}{W}} = 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{2 \times 204 \times 0.1875}{8}} = 4.33$$

<sup>1</sup> See W. M. Murray, Effects of Shock Loading, *Product Eng.*, December, 1954, p. 171.

The impact stress then is

$$4.33 \times 6,150 = 26,600 \text{ psi}$$

The actual value of the stress would be less than this value due to the inevitable non-rigidity of the support, to the inertia of the beam, and to the local deformations of the weight and the beam at the region of contact at the impact. These influences could be taken into account if a more exact analysis were required. Stress concentration at the built-in end of the beam may be taken into account separately.

**3-3 Tension and compression.** *Tensile stress.* The average tensile stress induced in the body of a simple tension member as shown in Fig. 3-2 is

$$s = \frac{P}{A} \quad (3-4)$$

where  $s$  = average stress, psi

$P$  = axial load, lb

$A$  = cross-sectional area, sq in.

*Compressive stress.* By reversing the directions of the loads in Fig. 3-2, a compressive stress will be induced in the member. Equation (3-4) may be used to determine this stress, unless the member is so slender that it is classified as a column, in which case stability considerations will determine failure. This type of failure is treated in Chap. 6.

*Bearing pressure.* There is a particular type of local compression that requires special attention. This is known as "bearing pressure," or "con-

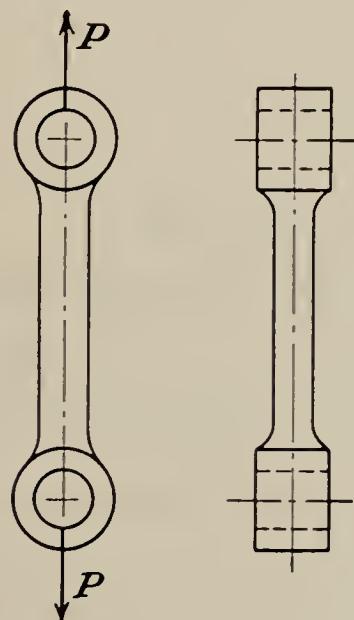


FIG. 3-2. Tension member.

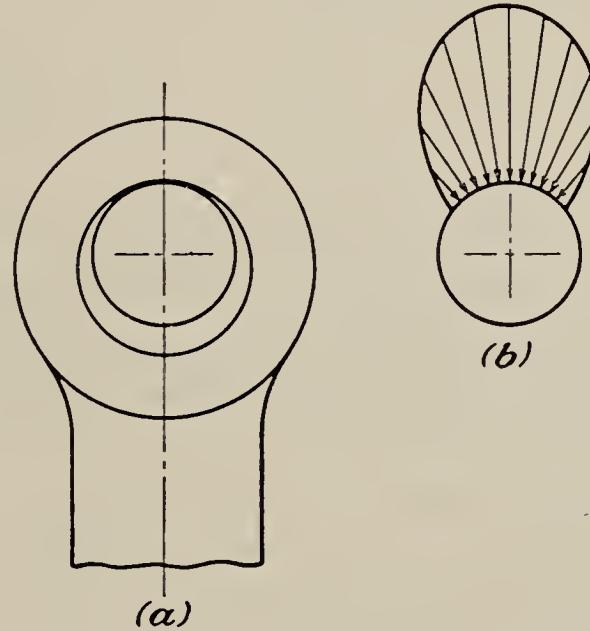


FIG. 3-3. Distribution of bearing pressure for pin connection.

tact pressure," and occurs between two members held in contact. If the load is applied to the member in Fig. 3-2 by pins, the distribution of pin pressure will not be uniform but will be in accordance with the shape of the surfaces in contact and the deformation characteristics of the two materials. The distribution of pressure will be similar to that shown in Fig. 3-3(b).

Since the actual distribution of pin pressure is difficult to determine accurately, the calculation of bearing pressure usually consists of dividing the load by the "projected bearing area" of the pin, *i.e.*,

$$s = \frac{P}{td} \quad (3-5)$$

where  $P$  = load on the pin, lb

$t$  = length of the pin in contact, or thickness of the link, in.

$d$  = diameter of the pin, in.

The pressures as calculated by Eq. (3-5) from results of tests on links and pins or on riveted connections may be used to determine allowable pressures in design.

**3-4 Bending.** *Straight beams.* The stresses induced by bending are a particular distribution of tensile and compressive stresses. For a straight

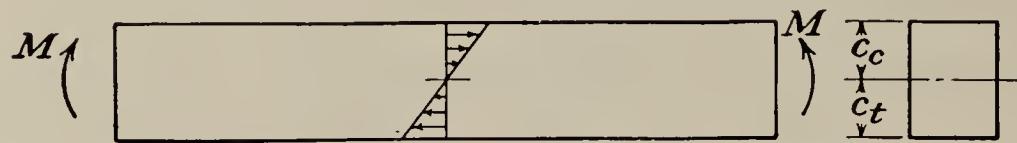


FIG. 3-4. Distribution of bending stress in a straight beam.

beam made of homogeneous material with the same modulus of elasticity in tension and compression and stressed within the elastic limits, the following equation applies:

$$s = \frac{My}{I}$$

where  $s$  = stress at a distance  $y$  from the neutral axis, psi

$I$  = moment of inertia of cross section about the neutral axis, in.<sup>4</sup>

$M$  = applied bending moment, lb-in.

The above equation gives the maximum tensile stress when it is evaluated for the maximum value of  $y$  on the tension side of the specimen. This value of  $y$  may be denoted as  $c_t$ . The maximum compressive stress is similarly found using the maximum value of  $y$  on the compressive side as  $c_c$ . For symmetrical beam sections,  $c_t = c_c$ , which may be denoted as  $c$  (see Fig. 3-4). Hence,

$$s_t = s_c = \frac{Mc}{I} = \frac{M}{I/c} \quad (3-6)$$

The quantity  $I/c$  is known as the "section modulus" and has the units of in.<sup>3</sup>

*Curved beams.* In curved beams, such as crane hooks and punch-press frames, the neutral axis of the cross section is shifted toward the center

of curvature of the beam, causing a nonlinear distribution of stress, as shown in Fig. 3-5.

For this case<sup>1</sup>

$$s = \frac{M}{AR} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{Z} \frac{y}{R + y} \right) \quad (3-7)$$

where  $M$  = bending moment, lb-in., positive when it increases curvature

$A$  = area of cross section, in.<sup>2</sup>

$R$  = radius of curvature of centroidal axis, in.

$y$  = distance from centroidal axis to fiber with stress  $s$ ;  $y$  is positive when measured away from center of curvature, in.

$Z$  = a property of the cross section defined by  $- \frac{1}{A} \int \frac{y}{R + y} dA$

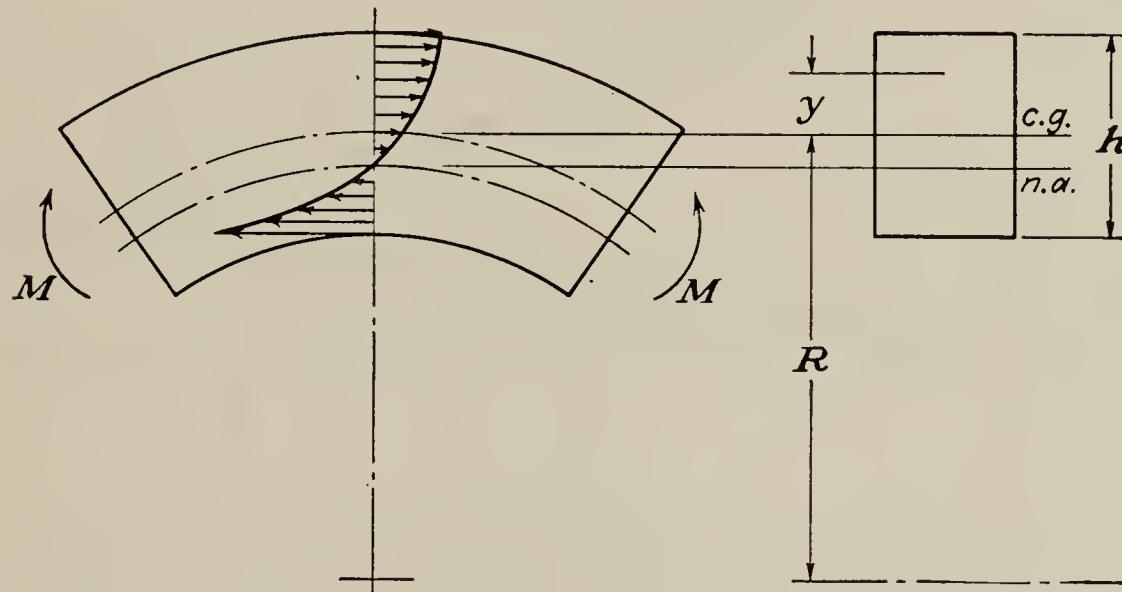


FIG. 3-5. Distribution of bending stress in a curved beam.

The value of  $Z$  may be found analytically or graphically. The determination may be complicated, and hence maximum stresses are frequently determined by using a correction factor with the straight-beam equation. Hence

$$s = K \frac{Mc}{I} \quad (3-8)$$

where  $I$  = moment of inertia of cross section about the centroidal axis, in.<sup>4</sup>

$c$  = distance from centroidal axis to inner or outer fiber, in.

$K$  = a factor depending on the shape of the cross section and the curvature of the beam

Values for  $K$  are given in Fig. 3-6. It may be noted that  $K$  is nearly unity for values of  $R/c$  greater than 10. For sections that do not approxi-

<sup>1</sup> F. B. Seely, "Resistance of Materials," p. 371, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1937.

mate a rectangle or a circle, see complete tables,<sup>1</sup> or investigate by means of Eq. (3-7).<sup>2</sup>

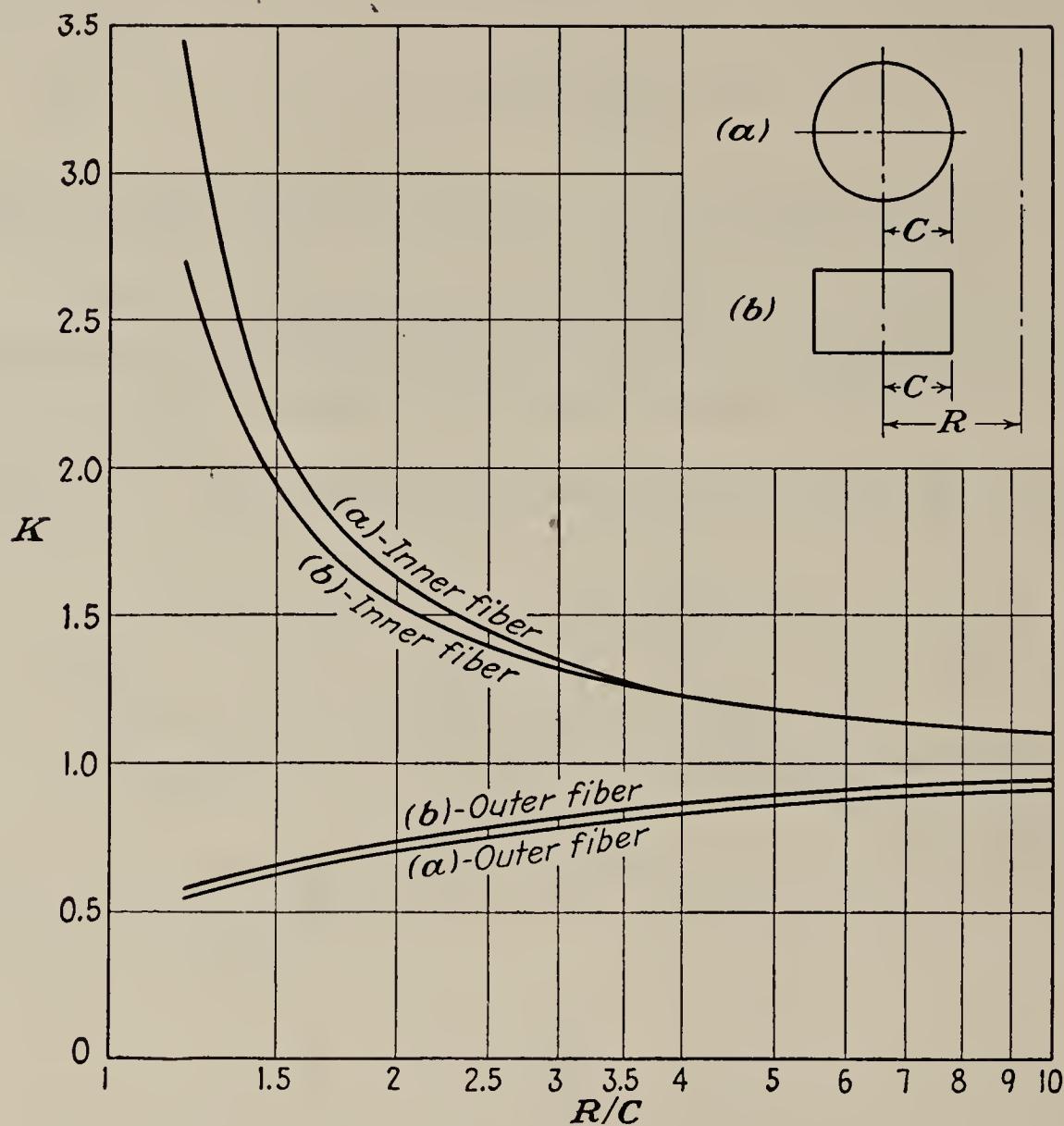


FIG. 3-6. Factor  $K$  for curved beam of circular and rectangular cross section.

**3-5 Shear.** *Direct shear.* The shear stress is the component of the stress on a plane section that is parallel to the section. An example of a

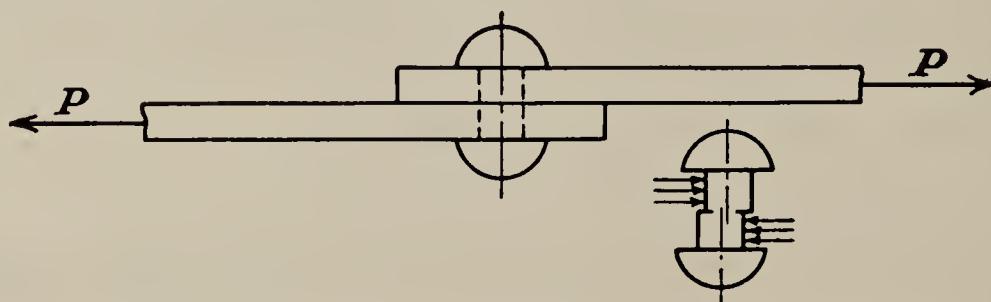


FIG. 3-7. Rivet connection and shear deformation.

member that has undergone permanent deformation in direct shear is the rivet in Fig. 3-7. The average shear stress over the cross-sectional area of the rivet, or pin, has the value

<sup>1</sup> F. B. Seely and J. O. Smith, "Advanced Mechanics of Materials," p. 148, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1952.

<sup>2</sup> C. D. Albert, "Machine Design Drawing Room Problems," p. 226, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1951.

$$s_s = \frac{P}{A}$$

where  $P$  = shearing load

$A$  = area in shear

For the rivet shown in Fig. 3-7, where the diameter of the rivet is  $d$ ,

$$s_s = \frac{4P}{\pi d^2} \quad (3-9)$$

**Torsion.** Torsion induces shear stresses on cross sections normal to the axis of bars and shafts. For circular shafts, the shear stress at any point a distance  $r$  from the center is given by

$$s_s = \frac{Tr}{J}$$

where  $T$  = torque on shaft, lb-in.

$r$  = distance from center of the shaft to the point of stress  $s_s$ , in.

$J$  = polar moment of inertia, in.<sup>4</sup>

For solid circular shafts, the maximum stress occurs at the outside fiber and, since the polar moment of inertia for a circular section is  $\pi d^4/32$  where  $d$  is the diameter, the maximum shearing stress is

$$s_s = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3} \quad (3-10)$$

Where weight must be a minimum, it is common practice to use hollow shafts. This removes material from the center of the shaft where the stresses are low, and it also improves the heat-treating characteristics.

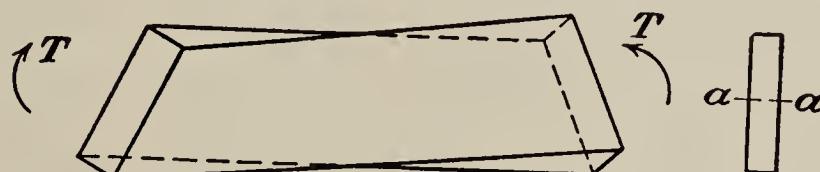


FIG. 3-8. Rectangular bar in torsion. Maximum shear stress occurs at  $a$ .

Bars in torsion with noncircular cross sections have a complicated stress distribution for whose determination the theory of elasticity is essential.<sup>1</sup>

This theory shows that the maximum stresses in a bar of rectangular cross section occur at the midpoints of the long sides, as indicated at  $a$  in Fig. 3-8.

The maximum shear stress for bars with rectangular cross section may be determined by means of the formula<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> S. Timoshenko and J. N. Goodier, "Theory of Elasticity," 2d ed., McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1951.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 273.

$$s_s = \frac{T}{\alpha b t^2} \quad (3-11)$$

where  $T$  = torque on bar, lb-in.

$b$  = breadth of rectangular section, in.

$t$  = thickness of rectangular section, in.

$\alpha$  = coefficient depending on the ratio  $b/t$  (see Table 3-1)

TABLE 3-1. STRESS COEFFICIENTS FOR RECTANGULAR BARS

$b/t$	$\alpha$
1.00	0.208
1.50	0.231
2.00	0.246
3.00	0.267
4.00	0.282
6.00	0.299
8.00	0.307
10.00	0.313
$\infty$	0.333

For long and narrow cross sections, the value of  $\alpha$  is approximately  $\frac{1}{3}$ ; hence for  $b/t \geq 10$

$$s_s = \frac{3T}{bt^2}$$

**3-6 Eccentric loading.** If the short prismatic bar in Fig. 3-9(a) is loaded by a compressive force collinear with its longitudinal axis, the stress on cross sections of the bar remote from the points of application of the loads will be uniformly distributed and Eq. (3-4) will apply.

When the point of application of the load is displaced a distance  $e$  along a principal axis of the bar, as shown in Fig. 3-9(b), the stress on cross sections of the bar will not be uniformly distributed. As shown at (c), two forces  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  equal in magnitude to  $P$  may be introduced without altering the equilibrium of the forces on the bar. It may be noted that the force  $P_1$  will induce a uniformly distributed stress whose value is equal to  $P_1$  (or its equal  $P$ ) divided by the cross-sectional area  $A$ . The couple equal to  $Pe$  will bend the bar, and this will induce a compressive stress at  $n$  and a tensile stress at  $m$ . By using the principle of superposition, the direct compressive and bending stress may be added at  $n$  and subtracted at  $m$ . Thus

$$s_c = \frac{Pec_c}{I} + \frac{P}{A} \quad (3-12)$$

$$s_t = \frac{Pec_t}{I} - \frac{P}{A} \quad (3-13)$$

where  $s_c$  = maximum compressive stress, psi

$s_t$  = maximum tensile stress, psi

When the loading on the members is *tension*, the equations above may be used by interchanging the subscripts *c* and *t*.

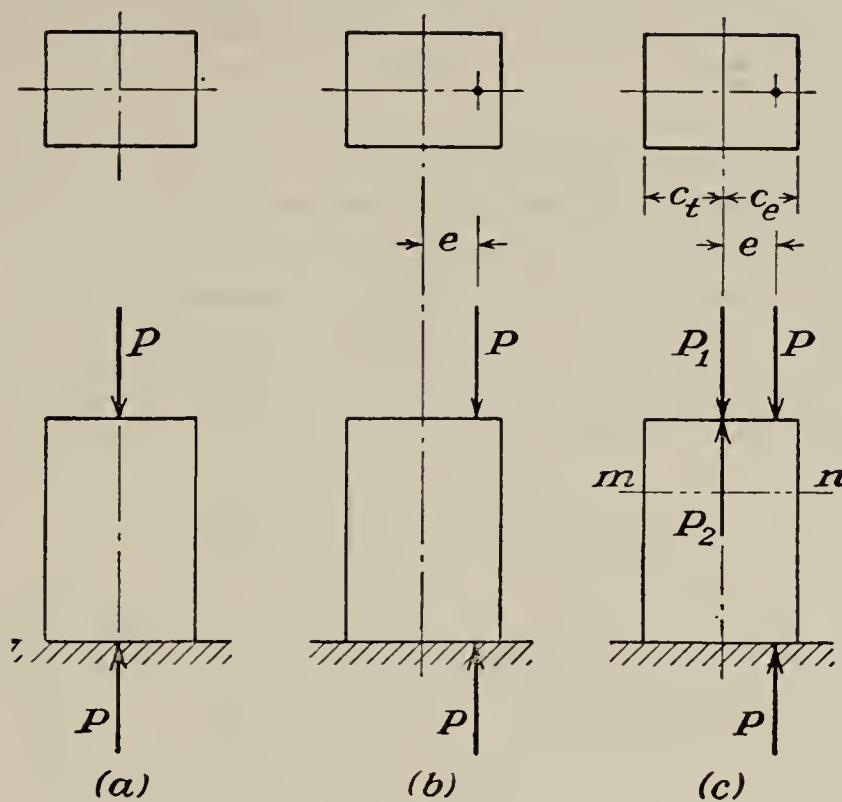


FIG. 3-9. Axial and concentric loading.

**EXAMPLE 3-2.** Curved beam design. The sketch, Fig. 3-10, shows the yoke of a portable hydraulic riveter. The yoke screws on a riveting head (not shown), which carries the hydraulic cylinder, handle, and manual control valve, and is connected to the pressure pump by a hydraulic hose. These units have capacities of 10 to 30 tons and weigh 10 to 15 lb. To keep the size of the unit small for accessibility to the work and its weight low for ease of handling, it is necessary to make the yoke of alloy steel. Since each head should accommodate yokes of several sizes, it is customary for convenience in mounting the yokes on the head to make all yokes the same width, dimension *w*.

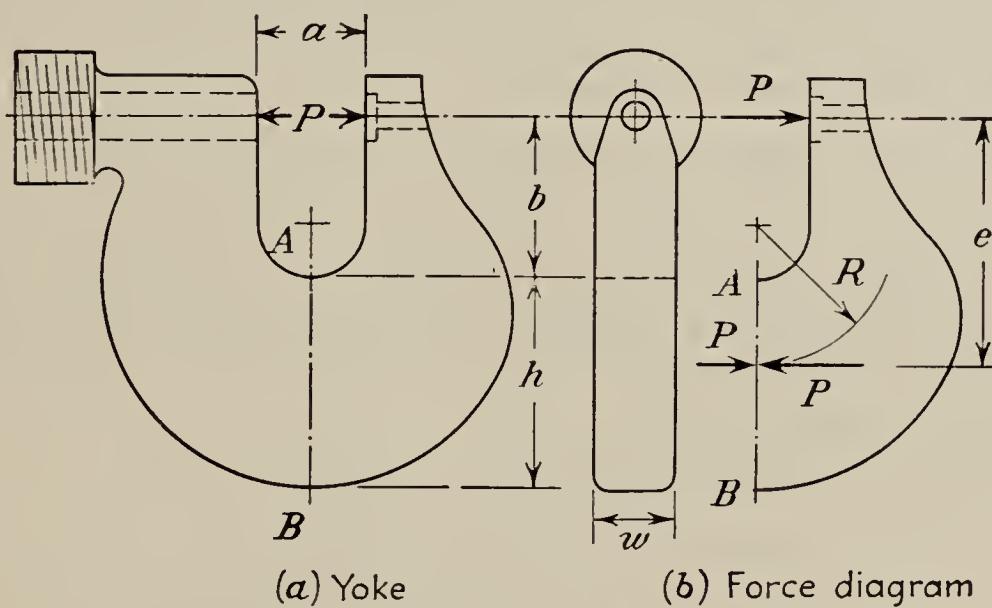


FIG. 3-10. Yoke for hydraulic riveter.

Data: Capacity  $P = 10$  tons; gap  $a = 2$  in.; reach  $b = 2$  in.; width of yoke  $w = 1\frac{1}{2}$  in. Assume SAE 2340 steel. This steel in  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. thickness and oil-quenched and tempered at 800 F has an ultimate strength of 180,000 psi and a yield point of 165,000 psi. The endurance limit for repeated stress will be approximately 90,000 psi. For

design for finite life of the riveter, the endurance strength may be taken between the infinite-life (say 10,000,000 cycles) value and the yield point (1 cycle). Let us assume an endurance strength of 150,000 psi and a factor of safety of 2, which will make the allowable stress equal to 75,000 psi. This value compares favorably with calculated induced stresses in existing riveters. The design problem is to determine the depth of the yoke  $h$ .

**SOLUTION:** By introducing at the gravity axis of the section two forces each equal in magnitude to  $P$  and opposite in direction as shown in Fig. 3-10(b), one of these forces and the original force form a bending moment on the section equal to  $P \times e$ . This moment induces tensile stress in bending at  $A$  and compression at  $B$ . The remaining force induces a uniform tensile stress over the section and adds to the tensile stress due to bending at  $A$  to produce a total tensile stress at  $A$ , as given by Eq. (3-12) for tension loading with allowance for the effect of curvature from Eq. (3-8) as follows:

$$s_t = \frac{P}{A} + \frac{KPe}{I/c} = \frac{P}{wh} + \frac{6KPe}{wh^2}$$

In this equation,  $s_t$  can be made equal to the allowable stress,  $P$  and  $w$  are known, and  $h$  is the unknown quantity on which  $K$  and  $e$  depend. The equation is in quadratic form so that a direct solution for  $h$  is not convenient.

Let us simplify the above equation as much as possible, as follows:

$$\frac{s_t}{P} = \frac{1}{wh} + \frac{6Ke}{wh^2}$$

By substituting values for  $s_t$ ,  $P$ , and  $h$ , and simplifying, the following form is reached:

$$h^2 - 0.178h = 1.07Ke$$

This equation could be solved by assuming values for  $h$  and solving by trial but this method would be laborious and not enlightening. It is helpful to note from Fig. 3-6 that if we obtain an approximate value for  $h$ ,  $K$  will not change markedly for new values of  $h$ . Let us assume a reasonable value for  $h$  and use that value to determine  $K$  and  $e$ , then solve the equation for the unknown quantity  $h$ . One might expect  $h$  to be, say, 2 in. The following values may then be found:  $e = 3$  in.,  $R = 2$  in.,  $R/c = 2$  and, from Fig. 3-6,  $K = 1.6$ . Therefore

$$h^2 - 0.178h = 1.07Ke = 1.07 \times 1.6 \times 3 = 5.14$$

This equation could be solved directly for  $h$ , but an inspection shows that the term  $0.178h$  will be small in comparison with the  $h^2$  term. Let us neglect for the present  $0.178h$  and solve for  $h$  by taking the square root of 5.14, which is approximately 2.25. This value is larger than the assumed value of  $h$ ; therefore let us increase the value to, say,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. and solve again by trial.

For  $h = 2\frac{1}{2}$  in.,  $e = 3.25$ ,  $R = 2.25$ ,  $R/c = 2$ , and  $K = 1.55$ .

Then

$$1.07Ke = 1.07 \times 1.55 \times 3.25 = 5.4$$

Now

$$h^2 - 0.178h = 2.5^2 \times 0.178 \times 2.5 = 5.8$$

This value is larger than 5.4; hence, the correct value lies between 2 and 2.5. A third trial of  $h = 2\frac{3}{8}$  yields an almost exact check; hence  $h$  will be specified as  $2\frac{3}{8}$  in.

With reference to the initial equation for the maximum stress in the yoke, it is evident that if the dimensions of the section are known, it is relatively easy to solve

for the stress. This is an analysis problem. But the design problem is one of determining the dimensions of the member, using a reasonable value for the allowable stress. In many cases, a direct solution is not possible; but the problem can be solved readily by devising a procedure similar to that used in the example above in which relatively small quantities can be tentatively disregarded in a trial solution, and trial values may be assumed for other quantities which do not change markedly or for those on which judgment can be exercised. This general approach is a subtle one, and should not be confused with the usual conception of trial-and-error, hit-or-miss, or random-guess methods. The method illustrated here is a powerful tool for the designer and will be illustrated in other parts of this book.

**3-7 Combined stresses.** The various cases of loading, *i.e.*, tension, direct shear, bending, and torsion, as discussed, induce two fundamental kinds of stress: (1) normal stress, as in tension, compression, or bending, where the stress is normal to the area on which it acts, and (2) shear stress, as in the case of rivet shear, or in torsion, where the stress acts along the area. Whatever the condition of stress at a point may be, it can always be expressed in terms of two components, the normal component and the shear component.

Most design problems deal with systems in which several types of loading exist simultaneously, such as bending and torsion in shafts. It is necessary to determine the combination of stresses induced by the separate loads in order to determine the maximum value of normal stress and shear stress, so that these may be compared with the allowable values of the stresses for the material.

The following equations are given here for reference to determine the maximum stresses in members subjected to loading which induces tensile stresses in two perpendicular planes  $x$  and  $y$  and shear stresses in the  $xy$  plane. The equations given here are for the case of combined tension and shear and are derived in textbooks on mechanics of materials.

Let  $(s_t)_x$ ,  $(s_t)_y$ , and  $(s_s)_{xy}$  represent calculated values for applied normal and shear-stress components at any particular point in a member,  $(s_t)_1$  and  $(s_t)_2$  represent principal stress components, and  $(s_s)_{\max}$  the maximum shear stress. Then

$$(s_t)_1 = \frac{(s_t)_x + (s_t)_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left[ \frac{(s_t)_x - (s_t)_y}{2} \right]^2 + s_s^2}$$

$$(s_t)_2 = \frac{(s_t)_x + (s_t)_y}{2} - \sqrt{\left[ \frac{(s_t)_x - (s_t)_y}{2} \right]^2 + s_s^2}$$

$$(s_s)_{\max} = \sqrt{\left[ \frac{(s_t)_x - (s_t)_y}{2} \right]^2 + s_s^2}$$

The maximum normal stress at the point is given by the first equation above and the maximum shearing stress by the last equation for the case of loading to which the equations apply.

These equations can be represented graphically by a diagram known as Mohr's circle, as shown in Fig. 3-11.

In a design problem, the applied stresses  $(s_t)_x$ ,  $(s_t)_y$ , and  $(s_s)_{xy}$  can be calculated from the loading on the member; then it is desirable to determine the maximum induced tensile and shear stresses to evaluate in terms of allowable stresses. To draw the diagram for this case, the normal stresses are laid off to suitable scale along the horizontal axis, and the shear stresses along the vertical axis as follows: Lay off  $(s_t)_x$  and  $(s_t)_y$  as shown to give points *A* and *B*. Lay off  $(s_s)_{xy}$  equal to  $AC = BD$ .

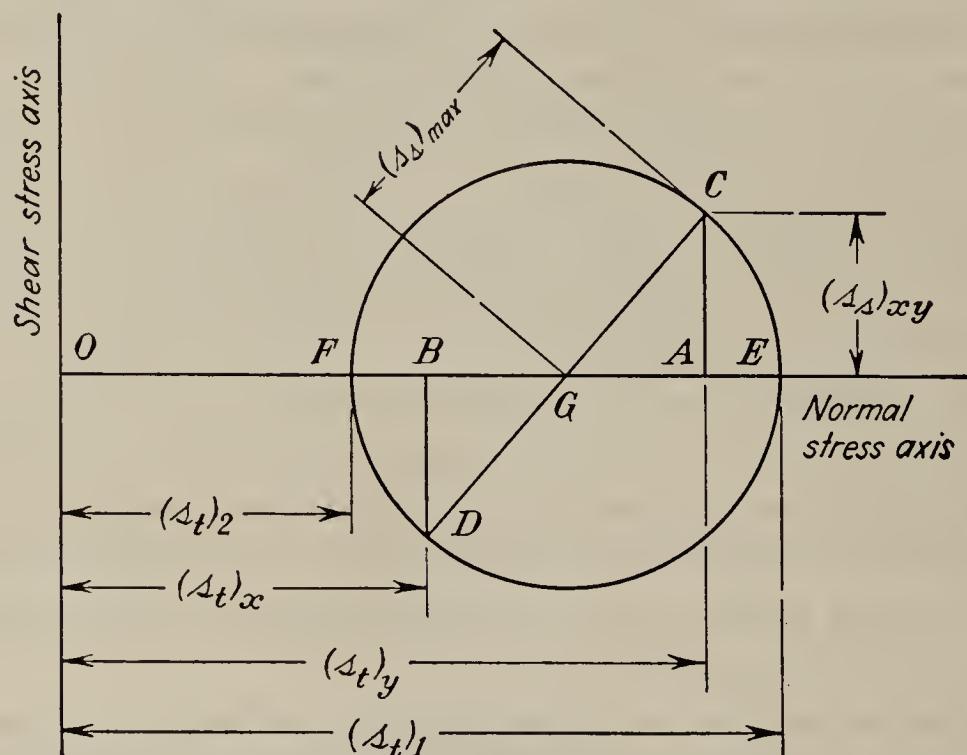


FIG. 3-11. Mohr's circle for determining maximum normal and shear stresses  $(s_t)_1$  and  $(s_s)_{\max}$  from applied stresses  $(s_t)_x$ ,  $(s_t)_y$  and  $(s_s)_{xy}$ .

Through points *C* and *D*, draw a circle as shown. Then the maximum normal stress  $(s_t)_1$  will be equal to  $OE$ , the minimum normal stress  $(s_t)_2$  equal to  $OF$ , and the maximum shearing stress  $(s_s)_{\max}$  will be equal to  $GC$ . The relations shown graphically by Mohr's circle can be readily verified by comparison with the three equations which the circle represents.

**3-8 Types of failures.** Each individual item in a modern junk yard bears its own evidence of failure. Some of the parts failed early in life, others outlived their life expectancy, and a few rest in obsolescence. The cause of failure is not always evident but usually can be traced to a relatively small part of its structure or environment. Premature failures, except those due to direct abuse or carelessness by the customer, are within the responsibility of the designer. A study of the various types of failure is a useful preliminary step in preventing or delaying failure of parts or units in new designs.

*Excessive deflection.* An example of this type of failure was cited in Art. 3-1 as a shaft which had sufficient strength but lacked necessary

stiffness so that the gears mounted on the shaft were not held in alignment and failure of the gears was the result. In this example the shaft should be considered to have failed as completely as though it had broken. Lack of necessary stiffness may also cause failure of the bearings, or failure of other parts due to excessive vibration of the shaft. Since steel, which is used for most severely loaded machine parts, has practically uniform modulus of elasticity, the control over stiffness lies in sufficient size of

parts and for steel is independent of composition or heat-treatment.

Other examples of parts which have rigidity as a critical characteristic are housings for gear drives, supports for bearings of rolls where controlled thickness is necessary as

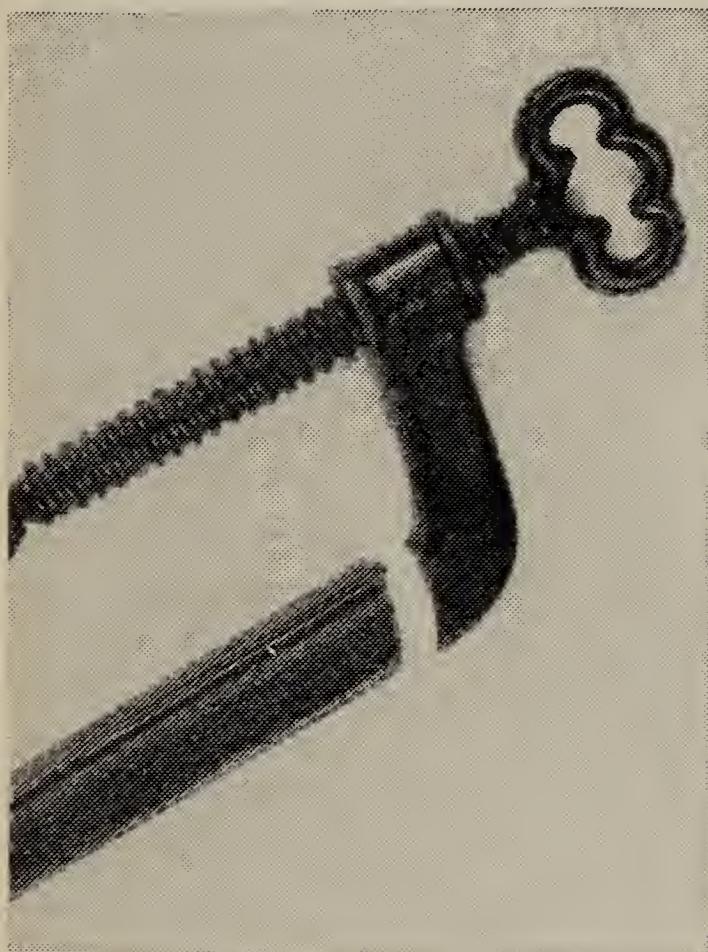


FIG. 3-12. Failure of a brittle material by a static load.

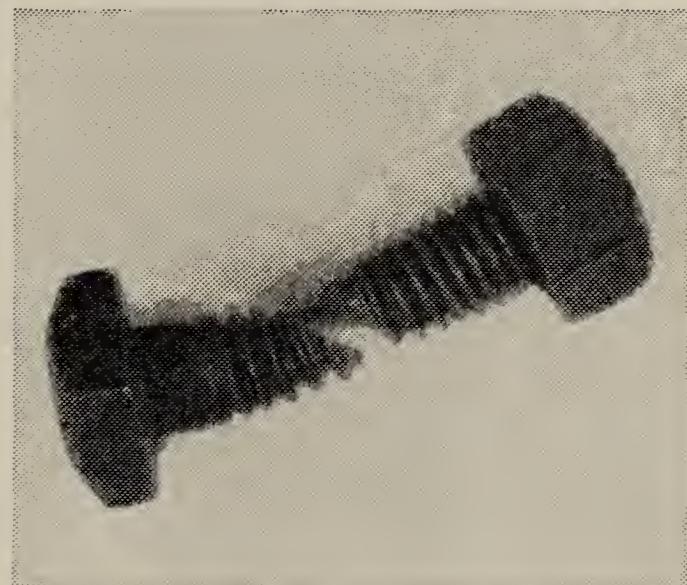


FIG. 3-13. Failure of a ductile material by a static load.

in making photographic film, printing-press parts, and crankcases which support crankshaft bearings.

*Lack of strength.* Failure due to this cause is usually obvious and is evidenced by permanent set or fracture. Failure by fracture depends on the type of material and on the loading. The failure of a part made of brittle material is usually by fracture which occurs when the ultimate tensile strength of the material is reached. A typical example of this type of failure is the cast-iron clamp shown in Fig. 3-12. The fracture occurred at a region of maximum tensile stress due to a static load inducing direct tension combined with bending due to eccentric loading.

A typical failure of a part made of ductile material and subjected to a static load is shown in Fig. 3-13 in which fracture occurred on the steel bolt in tension, and also some bending, as is evident. The fracture exhibits plastic flow. In a technical sense actual failure of the bolt occurred before the final stage shown in the figure, as the stress exceeded

the yield point and the bolt became permanently deformed. This was a front-bumper bolt on a large, loaded truck in which an attempt was made to pull the truck, with one rear wheel in a hole, uphill and out of the hole by a chain pull on the front bumper. When the bolt failed, the rear wheel dropped back into the hole and the truck overturned, severely injuring the driver and damaging the truck and cargo. It is an example of abuse and carelessness by the customer.

Failure of a ductile material under cyclic loading exhibits a different type of fracture than a static-load fracture. In cyclic loading the fracture usually begins at a region of concentration of stress and spreads,

usually slowly, as a *fatigue crack* from the initial point until the remaining section carrying the load becomes so small that the part breaks suddenly. An inspection of the fracture usually shows the place where the fatigue crack began, called the *eye*. From that point the gradual spread of the crack is apparent as a glossy area with no evidence of plastic flow, and the remaining area shows sudden failure, usually with plastic flow as a ductile material under static load. As the fatigue crack spreads, it may show evidences of shock load.

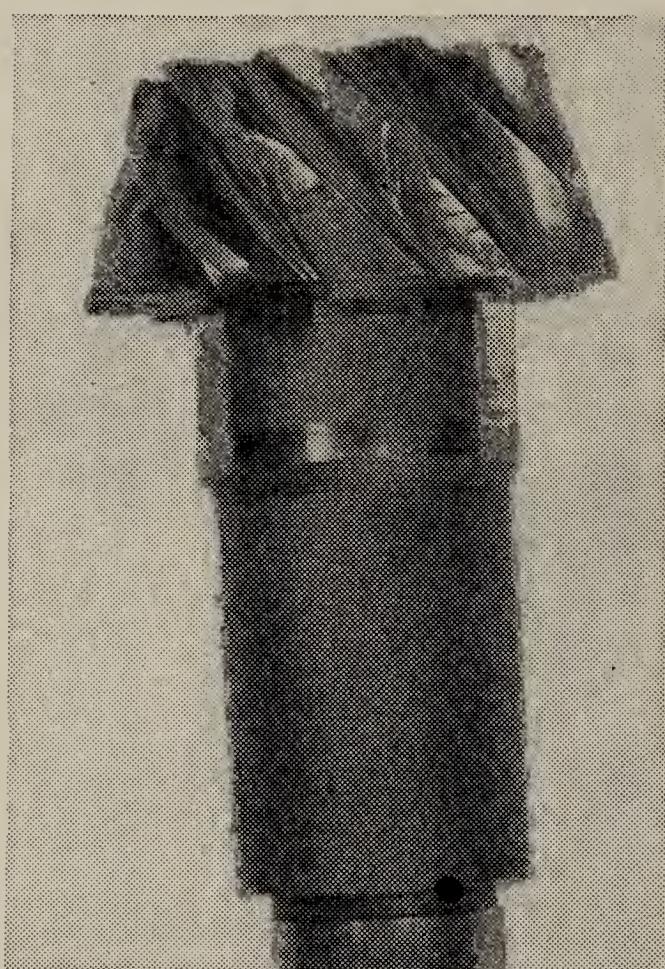
The study of a fatigue crack is very interesting and it presents the record of events leading to failure.

The fractured gear teeth of the hypoid pinion in Fig. 3-14 illustrate a typical failure of this type.

FIG. 3-14. Failure of a ductile material by a cyclic load.

The prevention or satisfactory delay of fracture lies partly in the choice of proper material and partly in avoiding forms and shapes as well as finishes of machine members which tempt the formation of a crack. This phase of failure is discussed extensively in Chap. 4, Stress Concentration in Machine Members.

*Buckling.* Members or parts of members subject to compressive stresses may fail by sideways buckling. Examples are parts of bridges, ships, and aircraft; and in machinery, columns such as piston rods, pressure vessels subjected to external pressure, and stiffening webs and plates. Failure under conditions that lead to buckling is discussed in Chap. 6.



*Corrosion fatigue.*<sup>1</sup> When stress concentration in cyclic loading occurs in a corrosive environment, the seriousness of stress concentration is greatly increased. Even the presence of air reduces the endurance limit of a member from its value in a vacuum. Ordinary tap water, salt water, and other corrosive substances markedly reduce the endurance limit. It is of interest to note that the problem of corrosion fatigue presented itself



FIG. 3-15. Section of boiler strap showing caustic embrittlement crack at rivet hole.

in 1915 in the steel cables of mine sweepers which were acted on by vibration forces owing to the flow of sea water. Values are often quoted for endurance limits in certain substances, such as the brine endurance limit for steel. It is interesting to note that the corrosion effect on the member may not be great enough to "eat away" the material visibly. In fact, polished test specimens that have failed in corrosion fatigue in salt-water spray appear as polished as the original test pieces, even though the test may indicate an endurance limit that is 40 per cent of its dry-air value.

*Caustic embrittlement.* This type of failure involves stress concentration in the presence of a caustic corrosive substance and has appeared in

<sup>1</sup> B. B. Wescott, Fatigue and Corrosion Fatigue of Steels, *Mech. Eng.*, 1938, p. 813; T. J. Dolan, Simultaneous Effects of Corrosion and Abrupt Changes in Section on Fatigue Strength of Steels, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 60, p. A-141, 1938; Battelle Memorial Institute, "Prevention of Fatigue of Metals," p. 68, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1941.

pressure vessels. Stress concentration has been produced by rivet holes, unannealed welded joints, or sharp reentrant corners of flanges. The loading has been of the fatigue type because of the repeated expansion and contraction of the vessel. The fatigue stress concentration in the presence of certain chemicals, such as caustic soda in feed water, has led to embrittlement that has caused many boiler failures.<sup>1</sup> Figure 3-15 shows a caustic embrittlement crack at the rivet hole in a boiler strap. Some means that are used to combat caustic embrittlement are (a) boiler feed-water treatments to reduce the effect of caustic soda on the metal and (b) design of the vessels to reduce stress concentration.

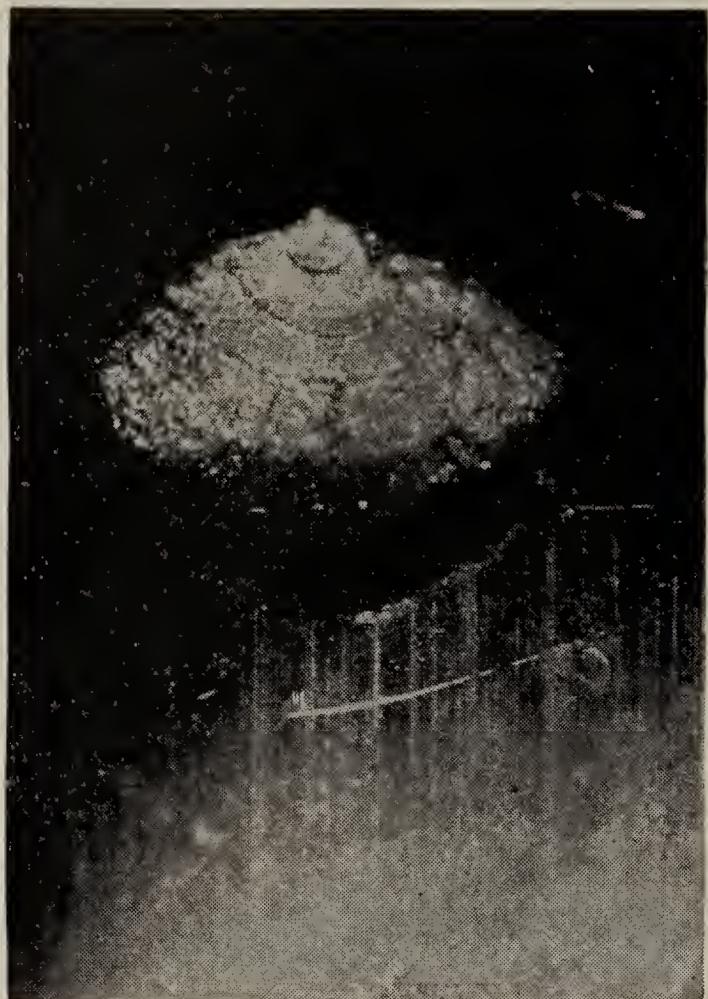


FIG. 3-16. Pit formed by repeated rolling contact. Enlarged. Motion of roller load from top to bottom. (Courtesy of Westinghouse Electric Corporation.)

fills the crack, subsequent applications of the roller pressure causes a hydrostatic action in the pocket of entrapped liquid which causes the crack to spread and form a small chip; (c) the chip breaks off and forms a pit. The theory is based on observations which showed that the pits, as shown in Fig. 3-16, form only in the presence of a liquid and that they

<sup>1</sup> F. G. Straub, Embrittlement in Boilers, *Univ. Illinois Bull.* 216, 1930; A. E. White, Changes in a High-pressure Drum to Eliminate Recurrence of Cracks due to Corrosion Fatigue, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 61, 1929.

<sup>2</sup> Called here *mechanical pitting* to differentiate this type of pitting from electrical pitting, which is an electrolytic action which affects, for example, bearing surfaces of electrical machinery. Another type of pitting is found in fluid flow in connection with cavitation and affects runners, propellers, blades, and valves.

<sup>3</sup> S. Way, Pitting Due to Rolling Contact, *J. Appl. Mechanics*, vol. 2, no. 2, p. A-49, 1935.

are invariably fan-shaped and of the kind of orientation as predicted on the hydraulic basis. The pit in Fig. 3-16 formed from a crack at the top, progressed downward fanwise, and the chip finally broke off at the bottom curved edge of the pit. The only apparent remedy for mechanical pitting is to maintain the contact pressures below the surface endurance limit of the material (see also Fig. 18-8).

*Mechanical fretting.* This type of damage occurs on metallic surfaces which are finely finished and closely fitted and which have slight relative sliding motion. The motion is of very small magnitude and may be due to elastic deformation, as that between a ball-bearing race and the shaft on which it is pressed, or it may be a slight oscillatory motion, as that between the balls or rollers and their races of a variable-pitch-propeller operating mechanism or between the leaves of a spring during flexing. The damage manifests itself as a powder, or muddy substance if oil is present, and a scabby appearing surface. While the damaged area is usually in the form of isolated shallow pits, it may be serious enough to affect the fit between the parts.

This type of damage has been believed<sup>1</sup> to be due to corrosion or oxidation of small particles torn from the contacting surfaces and has been termed "fretting corrosion." It is now believed<sup>2</sup> that the corrosive action is secondary and that the primary cause is high pressure at contacting peaks or areas at the interface of the surfaces which causes plastic deformation at these areas which in turn forms a mechanical interlocking of the contacting peaks (see Fig. 20-7). When sliding motion takes place, the areas of plastic deformation are strengthened (work-hardened). This makes a bonded interlock stronger than the parent metal, and shearing failure occurs at a distance beneath the surface so that a particle is torn off. Loose particles then accumulate in low areas adjacent to the disrupted peak. These particles may later be drawn into the contacting regions and may produce abrasive wear. To make matters worse, since the particles are very small, they may oxidize, thereby becoming harder and of increased volume so as to accelerate the abrasive action and cause spreading of the affected area. Neighboring areas similarly affected may merge and create a sizable affected region. As the regions increase in size and fill with expanded (oxidized) particles, the pressure at the center of the region increases owing to crowding and this further increases the abrasive action so that a pit may form. These pits are of varying area

<sup>1</sup> Tomlinson, Thorpe, and Gough, Fretting Corrosion at Forced Fits, *Metal Progr.*, May, 1939, p. 468; Battelle Memorial Institute, "Prevention of Fatigue of Metals," p. 160, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1941.

<sup>2</sup> I-Ming Feng and Rightmire, The Mechanism of Fretting, *Lubrication Eng.*, vol. 9, no. 3, p. 134, 1953; Uhlig, Feng, Tierney, and McClellan, A Fundamental Investigation of Fretting Corrosion, *NACA TN 3029*, December, 1953.

and depth and may eventually damage the surface so that the fit is ruined.

The cure for fretting is not easy. Finer finishing in order to increase the contacting area and thus decrease the pressure is not a general cure since the contact is more intimate and fretting may be encouraged. Decreasing the loads to reduce the pressure and also decreasing the motion by using larger parts or reducing vibration are effective but not always possible. Lubricating the surfaces is generally ineffective; in fact it may aggravate the trouble since slipping may be increased.

The introduction of thin films of rubber and of nylon to cushion the contact has met with some success in the laboratory. Badly fretted surfaces have been ground off and rebuilt by plating or metal spraying.

## CHAPTER 4

# STRESS CONCENTRATION IN MACHINE MEMBERS

**4-1 General discussion.** In local regions of machine members, the stresses may not be distributed as indicated by the elementary theory of strength of materials. Such localized variations in stress distribution are caused by sharp discontinuities in shape of the member or by surface roughness or scratches.

These localized stresses are frequently of large magnitude and, under the action of loads in service, may give rise to a crack at the region of the localized stresses. Such a crack usually leads to failure of the member by rupture. It is evident, therefore, that it is necessary for the mechanical designer to have a knowledge of stress concentrations, especially in regard to their causes and the means for avoiding them or lessening their seriousness.

**4-2 Causes of stress concentration.** *Variation in properties of materials from point to point in a member.* Some examples of this type of stress concentration are (a) internal cracks and flaws, (b) cavities in welds, (c) air holes in steel and concrete, and (d) nonmetallic inclusions.<sup>1</sup>

*Pressures at points or areas at which loads on a member are applied.* Some examples of this type of stress concentration are (a) contact between a wheel and rail, (b) contact between the balls and races of a ball bearing, (c) contact between a beam and its supports, and (d) contact between gear teeth (see Fig. 4-14).

*Abrupt changes of section.* There are two classes of this type of stress concentration: the first involves surface condition, for example, scratches due to improper machining or to roughness in handling. In machining, the dimensions of the scratches or irregularities vary in size from large in roughing operations to microscopic in fine finishing. Stress concentration may also be caused by abrupt changes in form of a member. Stress concentration of this kind may be extremely serious, and its prevention lies squarely within the designer's responsibility. Some common examples of this kind of stress concentration are considered in Art. 4-4.

<sup>1</sup> J. N. Goodier, Concentration of Stress around Spherical and Cylindrical Inclusions and Flaws, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 55, p. APM 55-7, 1933.

**4-3 Stress concentration defined.** The stress at a point in a member when influenced by one or more of the causes discussed in Art. 4-2 is in general greater than that determined by elementary strength of materials and is referred to as *stress concentration, or localized stress*.

**4-4 Stress concentration due to holes and notches.** *Tension member with a transverse hole.* In a prismatic bar subjected to a tensile load as shown in Fig. 4-1(a), the stress is uniformly distributed over a cross section *AA* of the bar.

If the bar has an elliptical hole, as shown in Fig. 4-1(b), the stress at a section *CC* remote from the hole will be uniformly distributed over the section, but the stress over the cross section *BB* through the hole will not

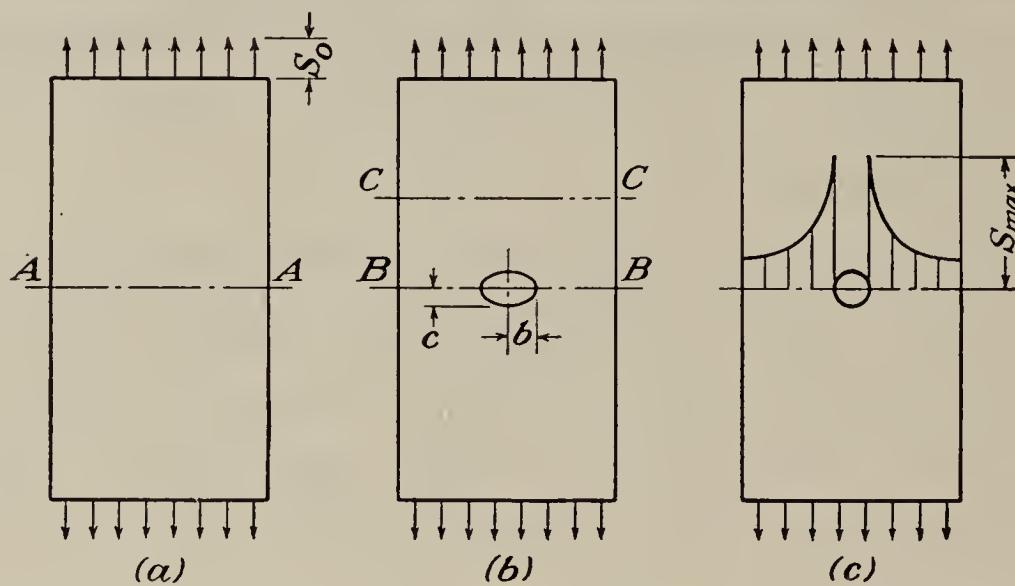


FIG. 4-1. Effect of holes on stress distribution in tension members.

be uniformly distributed over the section carrying the load. The maximum stress will be induced at the edge of the hole and it may have a value several times that of the stress at the section *CC*.<sup>1</sup> The value of the maximum stress in terms of the stress at the section *CC* is given by the expression

$$s_{\max} = s_0 \left( 1 + 2 \frac{b}{c} \right) \quad (4-1)$$

in which  $s_0$  is the stress at the section *CC*, and  $b$  and  $c$  are the semiaxes of the ellipse perpendicular and parallel, respectively, to the line of the load as shown in the figure.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> In this discussion, the hole is assumed to be so small that it does not appreciably reduce the cross section of the bar.

<sup>2</sup> S. Timoshenko and J. N. Goodier, "Theory of Elasticity," 2d ed., p. 84, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1951. In the derivation of Eq. (4-1), it was assumed that the bar is of infinite width. However, for bars of finite width and with holes not larger than one-sixth the width of the bar, the equation may be used without introducing large errors. For circular holes larger than one-sixth the width of the bar, the experimental data in Art. 4-8 should be used to determine the value of the maximum stress.

It may be seen from Eq. (4-1) that for large values of  $b/c$ , which represents an ellipse approaching a transverse slit,  $s_{\max}$  reaches a very high value.

For small values of  $b/c$ , which represents an ellipse approaching a longitudinal slit,  $s_{\max}$  is not markedly increased over  $s_0$ .

For the case of a circular hole,  $b = c$ , and  $s_{\max} = 3s_0$ . The stress distribution for this case is shown in Fig. 4-1(c).

*Tension member with small notches.* The stress concentration in the notched tension member in Fig. 4-2 is influenced by the depth  $b$  of the notch and the radius  $r$  at the bottom of the notch. The maximum stress may be calculated by the following equation,<sup>1</sup> which applies to members having notches which are small in comparison with the width of the bar.

$$s_{\max} = s_0 \left( 1 + 2 \frac{b}{r} \right) \quad (4-2)$$

where  $s_0$  is the uniformly distributed stress at a section remote from the notch.

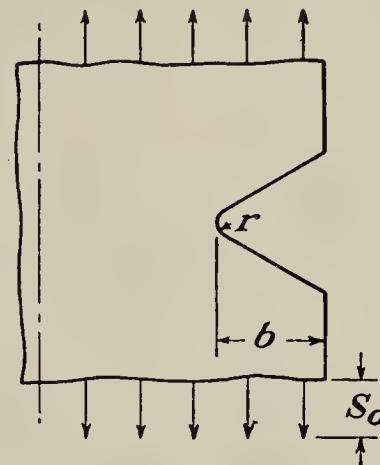


FIG. 4-2. Notch in edge of tension member.

**4-5 Visualization of stress concentration.** The stress distribution in tension members having transverse holes or notches, as discussed in Art. 4-4, are representative of the few cases that have been solved by analytical methods. For determining stress concentration in the majority of members of the forms found in machinery, it is necessary to resort to experimental methods, some of which are discussed in Art. 4-7. However, there are qualitative methods that are useful to the designer in visualizing probable stress concentrations in members. Two of these methods of visualizing stress concentration are discussed below.

*Shafts subjected to torsion.* A qualitative representation of stress concentration in circular shafts of variable cross section subjected to torsion considers that the shaft is divided into a number of concentric tubes, each of which carries an equal share of the twisting moment on the shaft.<sup>2</sup> On the section of a typical shaft shown in Fig. 4-3, the left-hand end is shown divided into five concentric tubes, including the solid central one.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> C. E. Inglis, Stresses in a Plate Due to the Presence of Cracks and Sharp Corners, *Trans. Inst. Naval Architects*, 1913.

<sup>2</sup> L. S. Jacobsen, Torsional Stress Concentration in Shafts of Circular Cross Section and Variable Diameter, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 47, p. 619, 1925.

<sup>3</sup> The thicknesses of the tubes have been chosen so that the angle of twist per unit length of each tube has the same value. This division results in a wall thickness  $h$ , which decreases as the tubes become larger in diameter, as shown; and it is necessary in order that the assembly of concentric tubes will twist without relative displacement and thus, by fulfilling the condition of continuity, simulate the twisting of the solid shaft.

The right-hand end of the shaft is divided into five concentric tubes in a similar manner. The sets of tubes for the left-hand and the right-hand ends of the shafts are joined by smooth curves, as indicated in the figure.

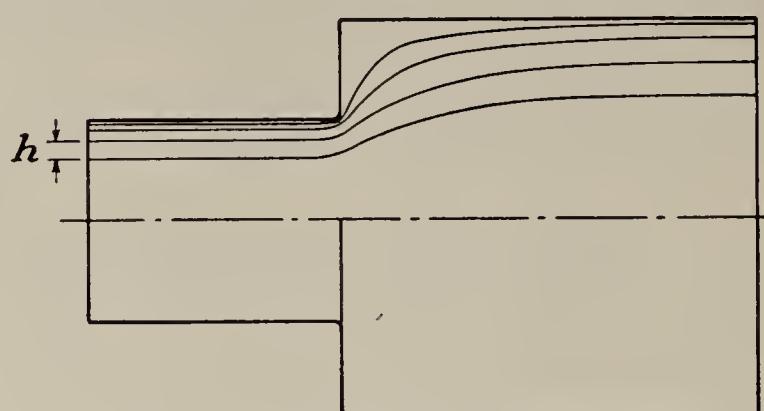


FIG. 4-3. Circular stepped shaft divided into equitorque tubes.

It may now be noted that the thickness of the outer tube in the vicinity of the fillet is very small, which indicates high stresses at the thin section. It becomes apparent that means for maintaining the uniformity of thicknesses of the equitorque tubes are identical with means for reducing stress

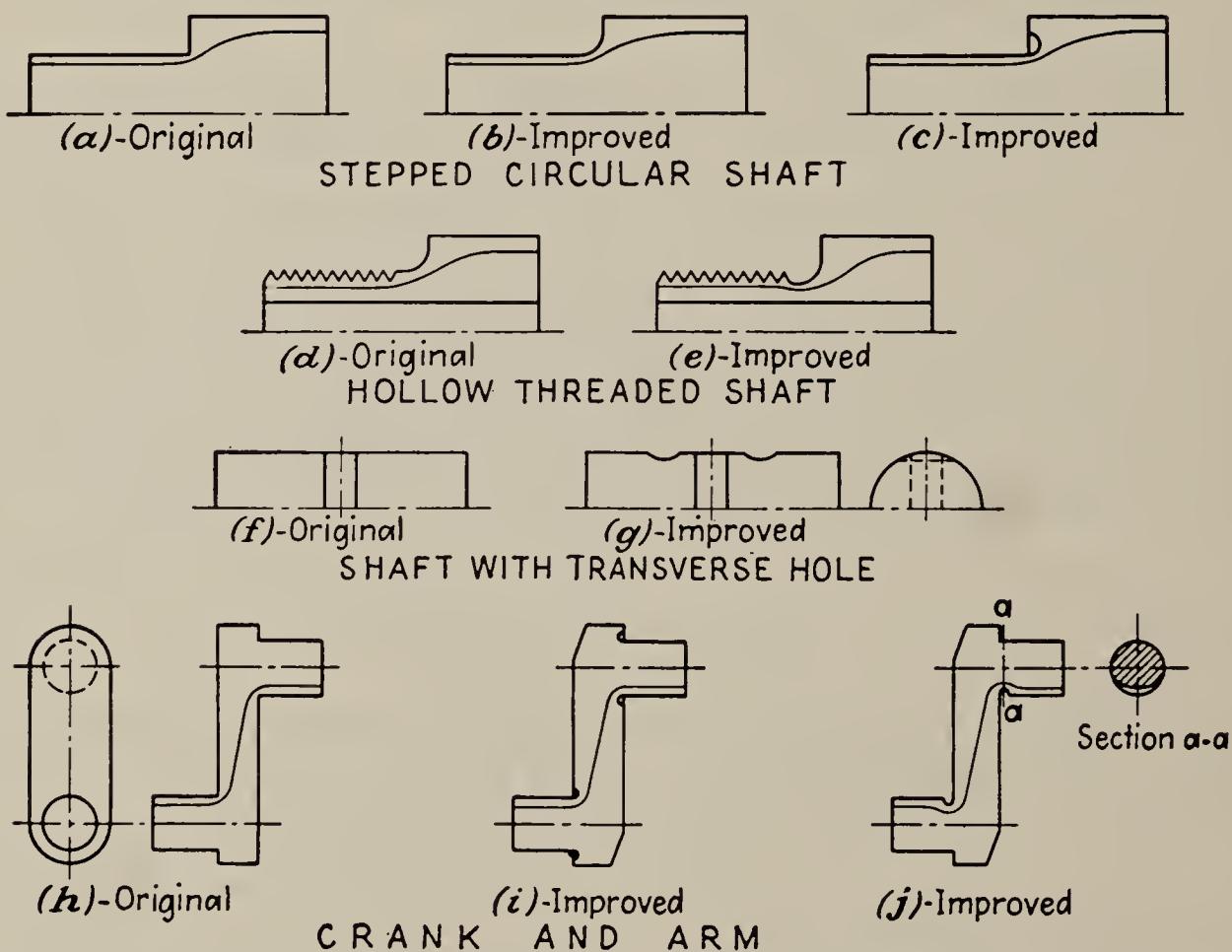


FIG. 4-4. Examples of stress reduction in members subjected to torsion.

concentration. Some of these means are illustrated in Fig. 4-4, in which it may be seen that low stress concentration is indicated by *gradual* variation of the distances between the equitorque tube curves. An interesting case is Fig. 4-4(j) in which the strength of a crank under repeated loading was increased 40 per cent by cutting an eccentric circular groove as

indicated in the improved section, although the groove lowered the moment of inertia of the crankpin by 50 per cent.<sup>1</sup>

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*Tension members.* A similar method of representing stress concentration in tension members makes use of lines indicating the direction of the principal stresses. Figure 4-5 shows an axially loaded tension member with the direction lines of the principal stresses. In the upper end of the member, the lines are parallel and are drawn equal distances apart to indicate uniform stress distribution. These lines are then extended to join with the

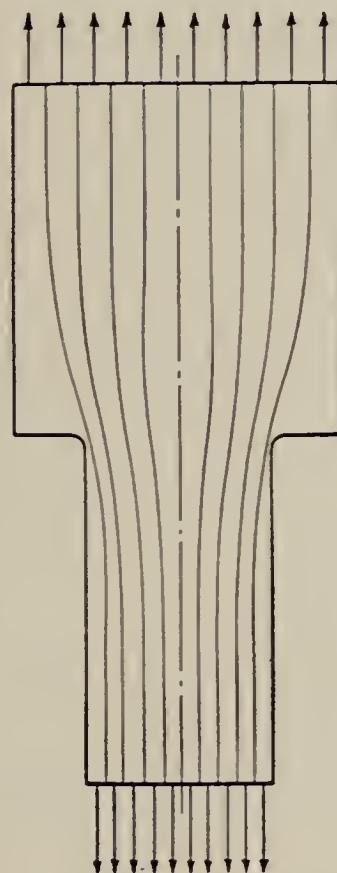


FIG. 4-5. Stress direction lines for a tension member.

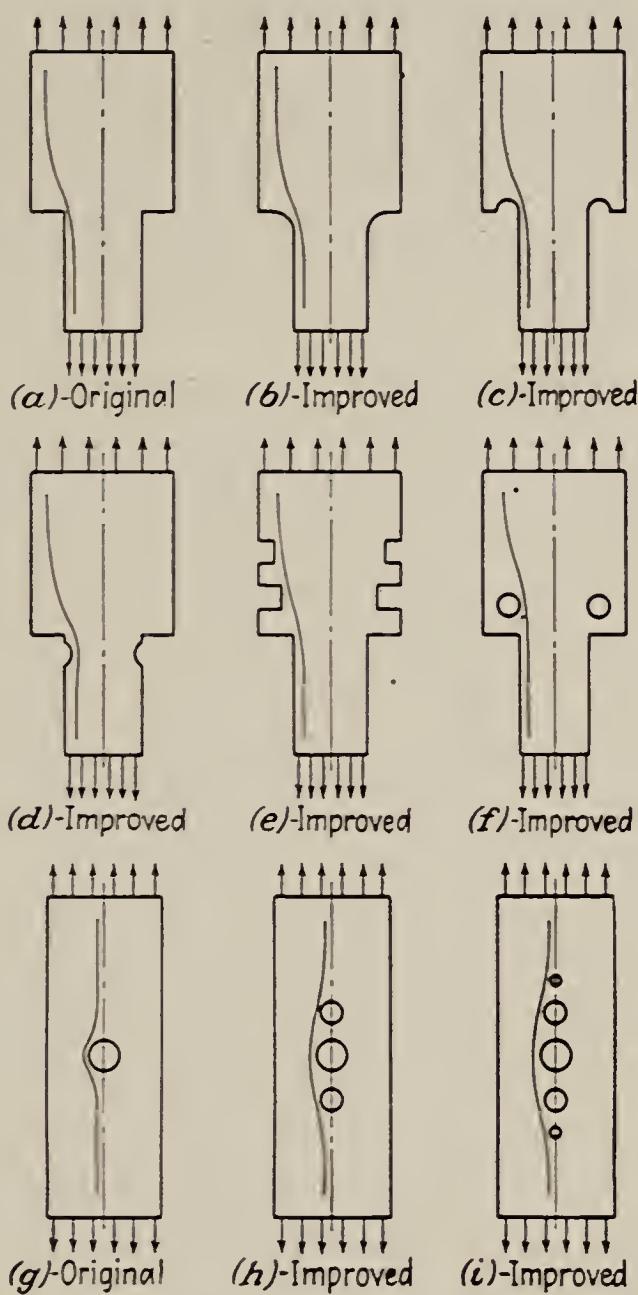


FIG. 4-6. Examples of reduction of stress concentration in members subjected to tension.

corresponding lines for the lower end of the member, as indicated.

In the vicinity of the fillet, it may be noted that the changes in slopes of the stress-direction lines are pronounced and the lines are close together, both of which may be shown to be an indication of stress concentration.<sup>2</sup>

As in the case of the equitorque tube visualization of torsional stress concentration, the stress-direction lines for tension members may be used to suggest means for reducing stress concentration by adopting shapes of the member to favor equispaced and low-slope lines of stress direction. Some of these methods are illustrated in Fig. 4-6.

<sup>1</sup> Zeit. Ver. deut. Ing., vol. 76, p. 981, 1934.

<sup>2</sup> R. V. Baud, Avoiding Stress Concentration by Using Less Material, *Product Eng.*, May, 1934.

**4-6 Seriousness and mitigation of stress concentration.** It is evident from the preceding discussion that high concentration of stress may exist in certain regions in machine and structural members. Since a crack which may form at a region of stress concentration invariably leads to failure of the member, it is important that the designer reduce the concentration to the practicable minimum. The designer can effectively reduce stress concentration in most cases by simple expedients, such as the use of gradual transition curves and generous fillets.

The seriousness of stress concentration depends on the properties of the material and on the type of loading, namely, whether the load is static or cyclic.

*Static loading.* It was noted in Art. 4-4 that the stress at the edge of a small transverse circular hole in a tension member has a value three times that in the sections remote from the hole. The distribution of stresses across the section including the hole is indicated in Fig. 4-1(c).

If the material of which the member is made has a stress-strain diagram which is a straight line up to rupture, the proportions of the stress-distribution diagram in Fig. 4-1(c) will not be altered as the load on the member is increased. This is true because the stresses would increase proportionately until the maximum stress in the member reached the breaking stress of the material. At this stage, a crack would form at the edge of the hole. The crack would have the effect of introducing additional stress concentration and of decreasing the section carrying the load. Both of these effects would cause very rapid failure of the member.

Brittle materials, such as cast iron, undergo relatively little yielding; therefore a member which has stress concentration and which is made of brittle material will fail substantially as described above, since the concentration of stress, as indicated by Fig. 4-1(c), remains in the member until failure occurs.

In considering the failure of a member made of a *ductile material*, such as wrought steel, and with stress concentration, it is necessary to note that the stress-strain diagram for the material indicates a region which involves plastic flow. The plastic flow occurs beyond the yield point and allows considerable strain to take place before failure occurs. The stress-distribution diagram in Fig. 4-1(c) will be valid if the stresses are below the proportional limit; however, beyond the yield point, plastic flow at the region of stress concentration will cause the stresses to be redistributed. The redistribution of stresses will be one that will approach a uniform distribution. To illustrate this change in distribution, one-half of the section in Fig. 4-1(c) is shown in Fig. 4-7. Figure 4-7(a) shows an idealized stress-strain diagram for a ductile material, and (b) represents a portion of the bar adjacent to the hole and the stress-distribution diagram for low stresses in the member. Figure 4-7(c) represents the diagram for increased

stresses, and (d) shows the stage when the maximum or peak stress is just equal to the yield point. Figure 4-7(e) shows the diagram for an increased load on the member, and the corresponding crosshatched area indicates the region which has undergone plastic flow, leading to the next stage (f). Finally (g) indicates the diagram at the time the peak stress reaches the breaking stress of the material, when a crack forms and the member fails.

From the accompanying sequence diagrams, it is apparent that plastic

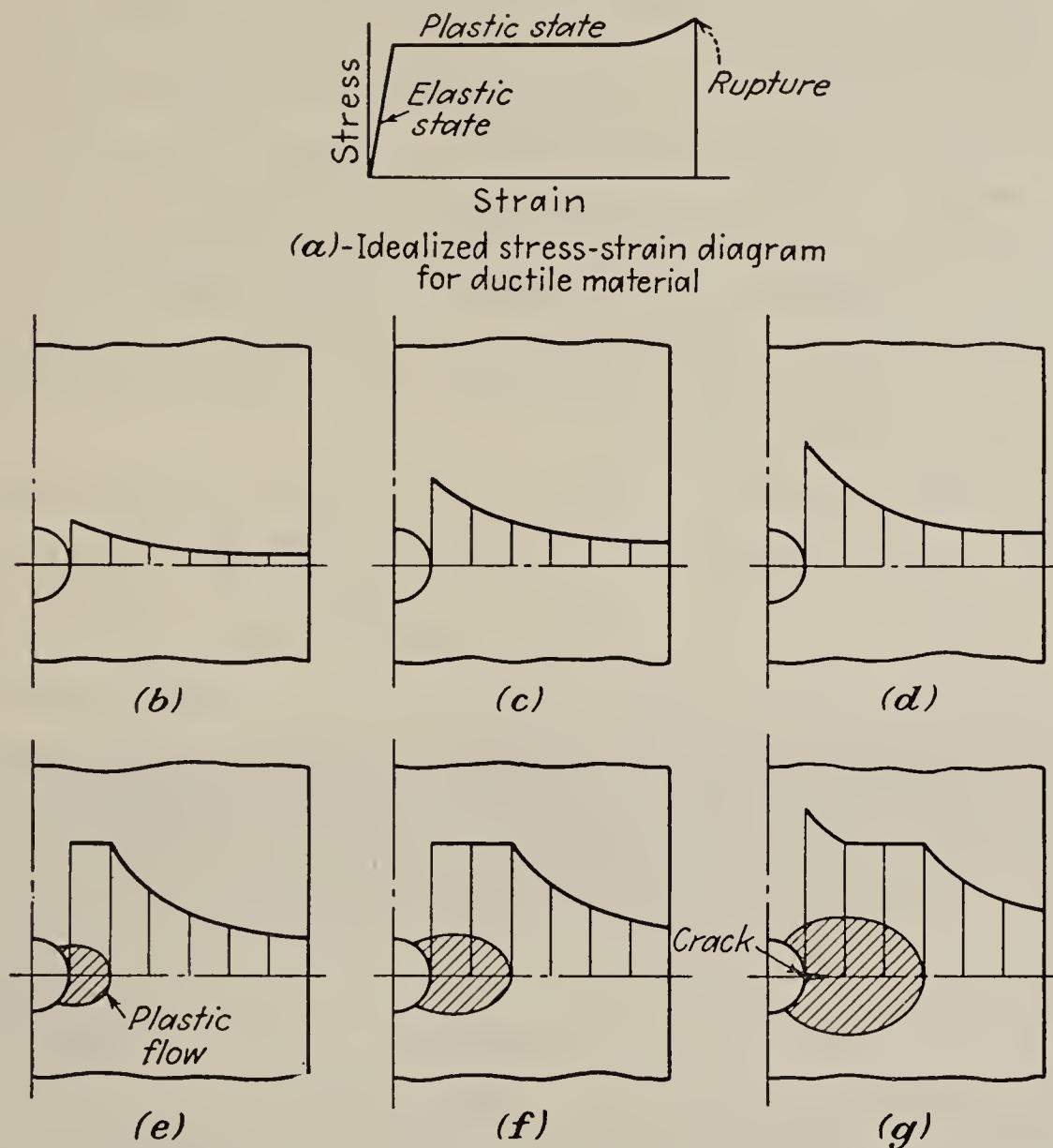


FIG. 4-7. Redistribution of stress, and plastic flow in tension member made of ductile material [see Fig. 4-1(c)].

flow in ductile materials will lessen the seriousness of stress concentration. Frequently this plastic flow takes place in machine and structural members when the working loads are applied. Structural members with rivet holes, keyways in shafting, and riveting or welding in ships that are "broken in" in calm waters before being subjected to service on the high seas are examples of this kind of reduction of stress concentration.

At times an intentional overload is applied to a member to cause plastic flow and corresponding stress redistribution. Examples are found in overstressing steel link chains and stressing generator rotors by overspeed test operation.

It should be noted that when a crack develops, the *real breaking stress* of the material has been reached. In a ductile material, the real breaking stress is appreciably higher than that indicated by the conventional stress-strain diagram, which is expressed in terms of the original area of the test specimen.

In concluding the discussion of the effects of the properties of material on static stress concentration, it may be stated that stress concentration in *static loading* is very serious in brittle materials, and it is less serious in ductile materials owing to the relief of stress concentration by plastic flow. However, the designer should reduce stress concentration wherever possible without regard to the class of material of which the member is made.

*Cyclic loading.* In the preceding section it was stated that in static loading stress concentration is very serious in members made of brittle materials and is somewhat less serious in members made of ductile materials. In the latter case it was noted that the seriousness of stress concentration was lessened by the local plastic flow, which resulted in a more favorable distribution of stresses.

In cyclic loading, however, stress concentration is always serious since the ductility of the material is not effective in relieving the concentration of stress caused by cracks, flaws, surface roughness, or any sharp discontinuity in the geometrical form of the member. If the stress at *any* point in a member is above the endurance limit of the material, a crack may develop under the action of the repeated load, and the crack will, in all probability, lead to failure of the member. It is important to realize that, even though the region subjected to the peak stress is extremely small, the crack is liable to form, and once formed will lead quickly to failure of the member.

The last statement is emphasized by the report<sup>1</sup> that approximately 90 per cent or more of the number of cycles of application of load to produce failure of a member are undergone before the crack may be detected by laboratory means. It is evident then that the opportunity for an inspector to detect a crack under service conditions in time to prevent failure is relatively slight.

Figure 4-8 illustrates the effect of surface condition on the endurance limit of test specimens, *i.e.*, the marked reduction in endurance limit due to surface condition. The figure shows also that high-strength alloy steels are more sensitive to stress concentration. The lower ductility of the high-strength alloy steels is partly responsible for the increased sensitivity, but it is not generally true that ductility is insurance against stress concentration in fatigue.

The gain in endurance limit is the reason for polishing aircraft-engine

<sup>1</sup> Battelle Memorial Institute, "Prevention of Fatigue of Metals," Appendix 27, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1941.

connecting rods and link rods. The over-all polish is expensive, but it is justified by the increase in safety. Figure 4-9 shows a polished link rod for a radial aircraft engine.<sup>1</sup>

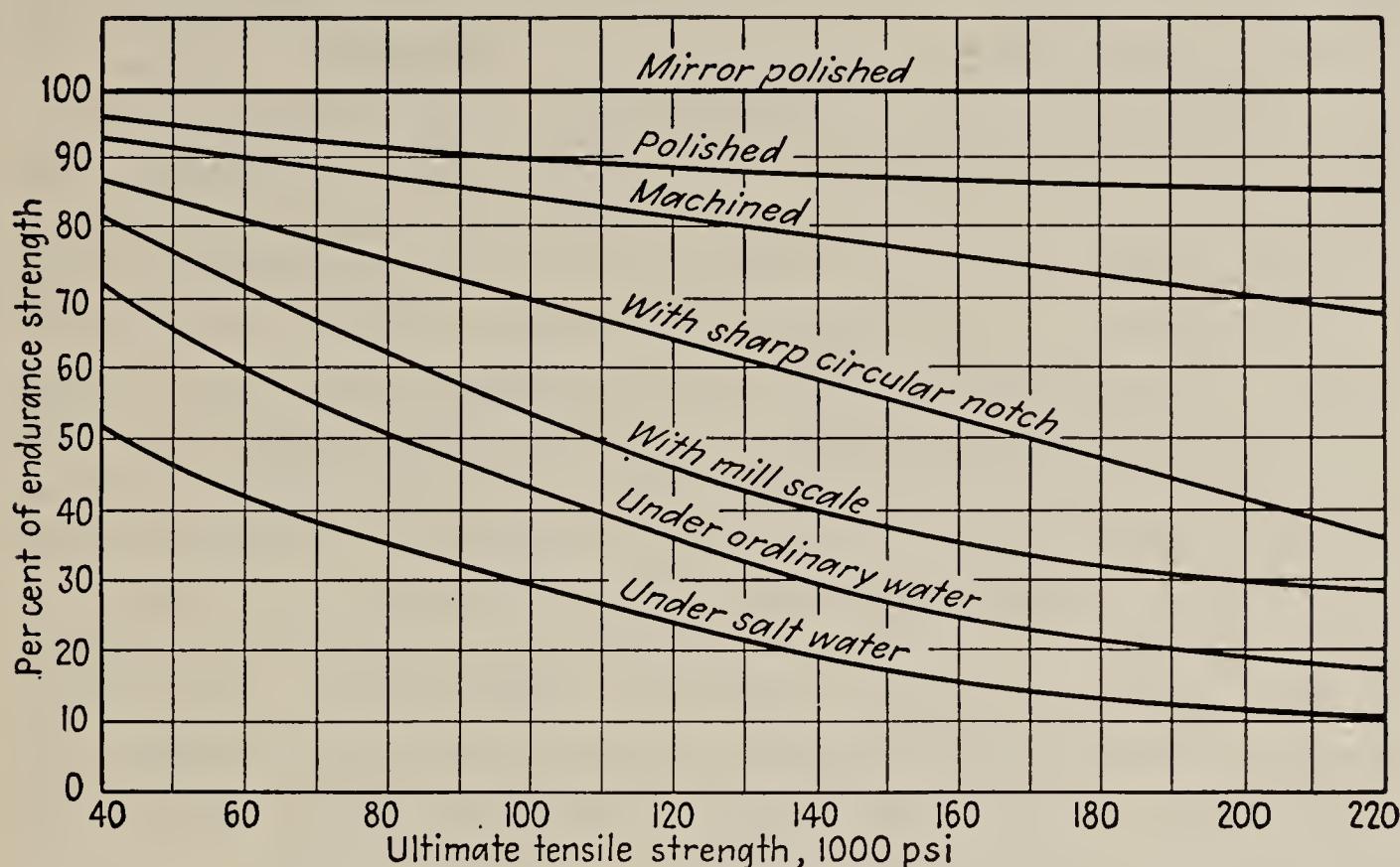


FIG. 4-8. Effect of surface condition on endurance strength. (Taken from A. V. Karpov, *Fatigue Problems in Structural Designs, Metals & Alloys*, December, 1939.)

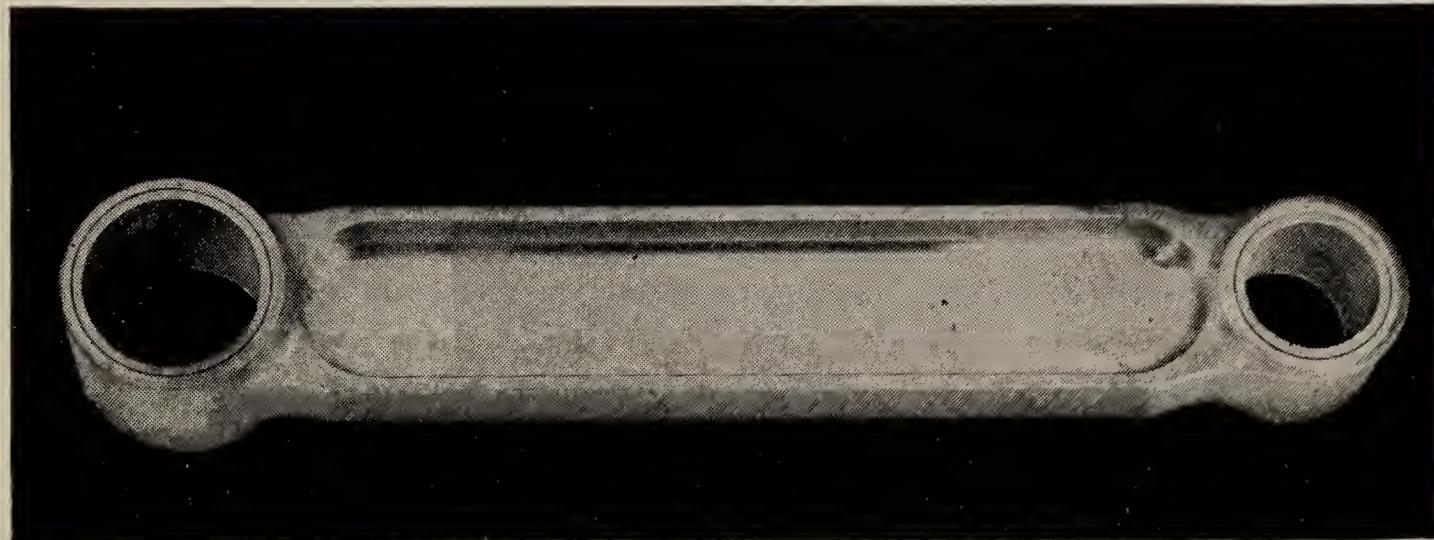


FIG. 4-9. Link rod for aircraft engine.

The endurance limit is defined as the maximum stress which a material can withstand for an indefinite number of repeated applications of loading without failure of the specimen. This is shown by the endurance-limit curve in Fig. 5-2.

<sup>1</sup> *Ibid.* This source gives many illustrations of fatigue failure due to stress concentration and states that the record is replete with failures due to "notches, nicks, keyways, oil holes, screw threads, scratches, rough surfaces, quenching cracks, grinding cracks, sharp changes in section, thin outstanding fins, poor fillets, tool marks, inclusions in the metal, corrosion pits, and the like, *i.e.*, some localized nucleus from which failure started."

The endurance limit is not strictly a property of a material although it is frequently referred to as such, because it is affected by size, form, and finish of the part as well as by the stress range. In the laboratory the specimens are usually tested on a rotating-beam testing machine which gives results for repeated, completely reversed bending. The specimens are machined, according to specifications for one of the standard sizes,<sup>1</sup> and polished, to avoid stress concentration and effect of surface roughness.

While it is necessary in machinery to use threads, oil holes, keyways, and other forms that introduce concentration of stress, it is generally possible for the designer to devise means for markedly reducing stress concentration. As has been discussed, this is especially important in members subjected to cyclic loading. When the designer realizes the seriousness of stress concentration in cyclic loading, coupled with the frequent difficulty of estimating service loads, the chance of occasional or accidental overloads, and the possibility of large forces due to resonant vibration, he will take steps to reduce the loads to a minimum and to avoid the use of geometrical forms that invite stress concentration. He will also endeavor to select proper material, to specify proper heat-treatments and surface finish, and to guard against careless machining, handling, and inspection.<sup>2</sup>

Some means for reducing stress concentration that apply especially to members subjected to repeated loading are illustrated in Fig. 4-10.

Figure 4-10(b) shows a circular fillet used to reduce stress concentration. The circular fillet is the usual form, although it has been shown that a spiral or parabolic fillet, as shown at (e), results in slightly less concentration.<sup>3</sup> The gain in the use of the noncircular-arc fillets is generally not justified in view of the increased manufacturing cost. Figure 4-10(d) illustrates a separate collar used to provide a flat thrust cheek. The design in (c) is preferred, however, to that in (d) where the flat cheek is desired.

Figure 4-10(f) shows a cylinder flange bolted to the crankcase of an internal-combustion engine. It is evident that stress concentration will exist at the fillet joining the cylinder wall to the flange, at the corner of the counterbore, and at the roots of the threads of the screw. Figure 4-10(g) illustrates an improved design using large radii fillets and the Aero thread employing an insert that reduces the stress concentration at

<sup>1</sup> H. F. Moore and G. N. Krouse, Repeated Stress (Fatigue) Testing Machines Used in the Materials Testing Laboratory of the University of Illinois, *Univ. Illinois Eng. Expt. Sta. Circ.* 23, 1934.

<sup>2</sup> Inspection marks and numeral stampings have been known to be the cause of failure. See *Product Eng.*, January, 1941, p. 25.

<sup>3</sup> E. E. Weibel, Studies in Photoelastic Stress Determinations, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 56, p. APM-56-13, 1934.

the roots of the threads on the screw (see Art. 9-3 for discussion of the Aero thread).

Figure 4-10(h) shows a hub of a gear, wheel, or sheave pressed on a shaft. The press fit and loading will produce contact stresses in the

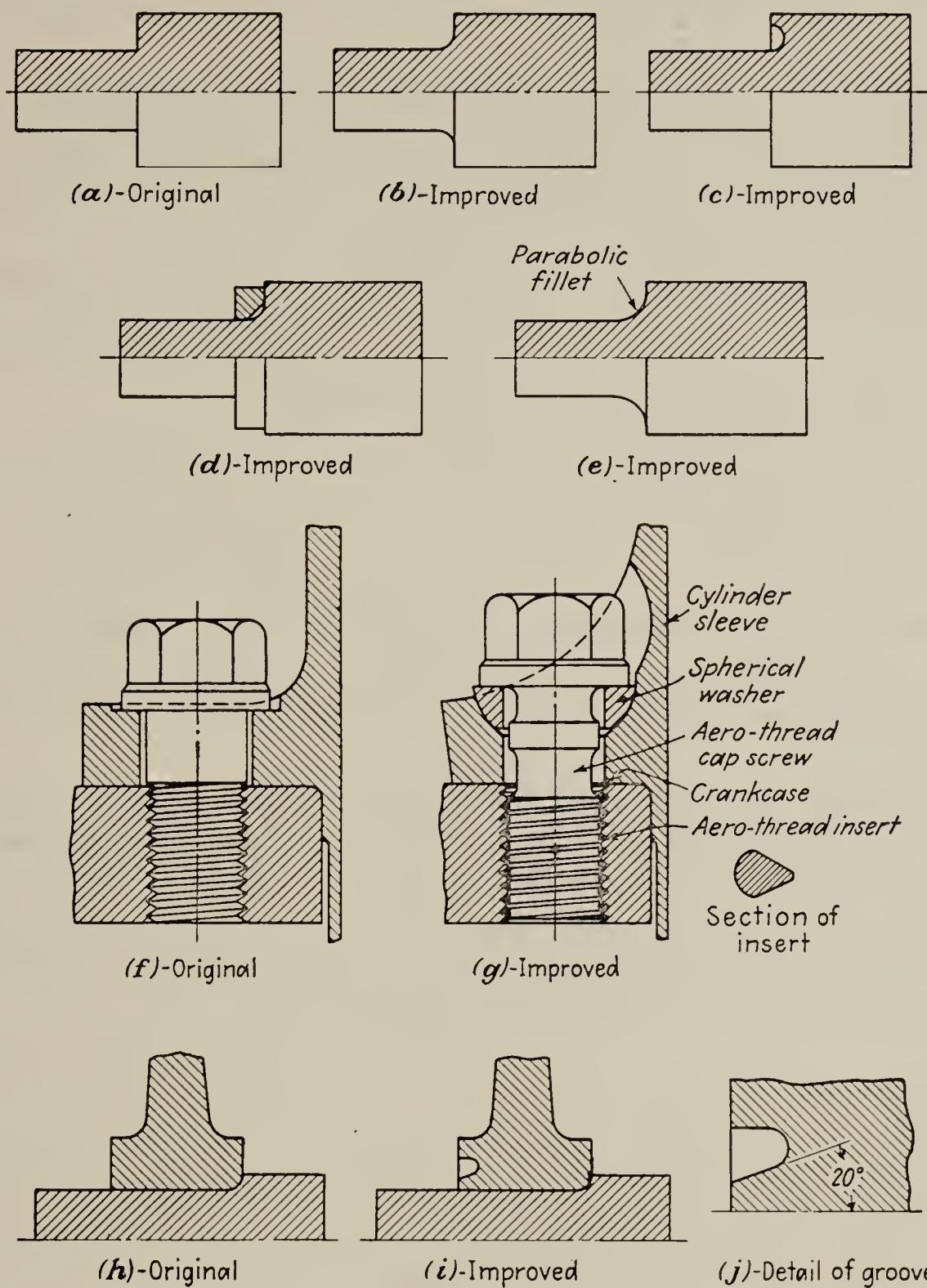


FIG. 4-10. Examples of reducing stress concentration.

shaft.<sup>1</sup> The improvement at (i) employs a "relieving groove" cut in the face of the hub. The groove increases the flexibility of the hub at its end, thereby cushioning the contact pressures. A desirable form of the groove is indicated in the sketch at (j).<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> M. V. Barton, The Circular Cylinder with a Band of Uniform Pressure on a Finite Length of the Surface, *J. Appl. Mechanics*, vol. 8, no. 3, p. A-97, 1941.

<sup>2</sup> Peterson and Wahl, Fatigue of Shafts at Fitted Members with a Related Photoelastic Analysis, *J. Appl. Mechanics*, vol. 2, no. 1, p. A-1, 1935; Buckwalter and

The groups of examples shown in Figs. 4-4, 4-6, and 4-10 should be regarded as commonly used methods for relieving stress concentration for the particular cases shown. It is necessary for the designer to use his ingenuity to devise appropriate methods for each particular case. An acquaintance with the literature on the general subject of stress concentration is valuable for this purpose.<sup>1</sup>

In addition to avoiding forms that cause severe concentration of stress, and selecting suitable material, there are means at the disposal of the designer for increasing the fatigue strength of members in special applications. Some of these are discussed below.

*Cold working*,<sup>2</sup> especially rolling at fillets on shafts, may materially increase the fatigue strength. In this process the shape of roller, the pressure, and the axial feed are important for best results. Good results have been secured in railway axles by surface rolling.

*Shot peening*<sup>3</sup> with steel shot has been used to increase the life of steel springs, connecting rods, and gear-teeth fillets. Size of shot and time of treatment are important for good results. The stress range of a coil spring has been increased over 40 per cent by shot peening.

*Understressing or overstressing*<sup>4</sup> may increase the fatigue strength of members. Overstressing must be induced very cautiously, preferably by successively increasing loadings. This procedure has been called "coaxing."

The problem of surface treatment<sup>5</sup> is quite extensive. Beneficial results are generally greatest for members in corrosive atmospheres.

*Improper heat-treatment*<sup>6</sup> should be guarded against. A very common result is surface decarburization, which results in a lower endurance limit for the member. Quenching may cause surface cracks. Grinding off a surface layer of such members may be beneficial.

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Peterson, Locomotive Axle Failures and Wheel Press Fits, *Railway Mech. Eng.*, April, 1935, p. 127.

<sup>1</sup> "Three Keys to Satisfaction," Climax Molybdenum Company, New York.

<sup>2</sup> O. J. Horger, Effect of Surface Rolling on the Fatigue Strength of Steel, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 2, no. 4, p. A-128, 1935.

<sup>3</sup> F. P. Zimmerli, How Shot Blasting Increases Fatigue Life, *Machine Design*, November, 1940, p. 62.

<sup>4</sup> See Battelle Memorial Institute, "Prevention of Fatigue of Metals," p. 87, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1941; J. B. Kommers, Effect of Understressing and Overstressing in Fatigue, *Proc. Soc. Exp. Stress Anal.*, vol. 3, no. 2, 1946.

<sup>5</sup> Frye and Kehl, The Fatigue Resistance of Steel as Affected by Some Cleaning Methods, *Proc. ASTM*, vol. 26, p. 192, 1938; Dolan and Benninger, The Effect of Protective Coatings on the Corrosion-fatigue Strength of Steel, *Proc. ASTM*, vol. 40, p. 658, 1940; Speller, McCorkle, and Mumma, The Influence of Corrosion Accelerators and Inhibitors on Fatigue of Ferrous Metals, *Proc. ASTM*, vol. 28, II, p. 159, 1928.

<sup>6</sup> Battelle Memorial Institute, *op. cit.*

**4-7 Experimental methods for investigating stress concentration.** The stress-concentration factor has been defined as the ratio of the maximum stress in a member to the stress at the minimum section as calculated by the use of an equation from the elementary strength of materials.

In determining the maximum stress, it is generally necessary to resort to one of the experimental methods. A knowledge of these methods is of great value to the designer since such knowledge enables him to appreciate stress concentration and the applications and limitations of the factors, and also since a firsthand acquaintance with the experimental methods aids the designer in visualizing the effects of various design expedients in

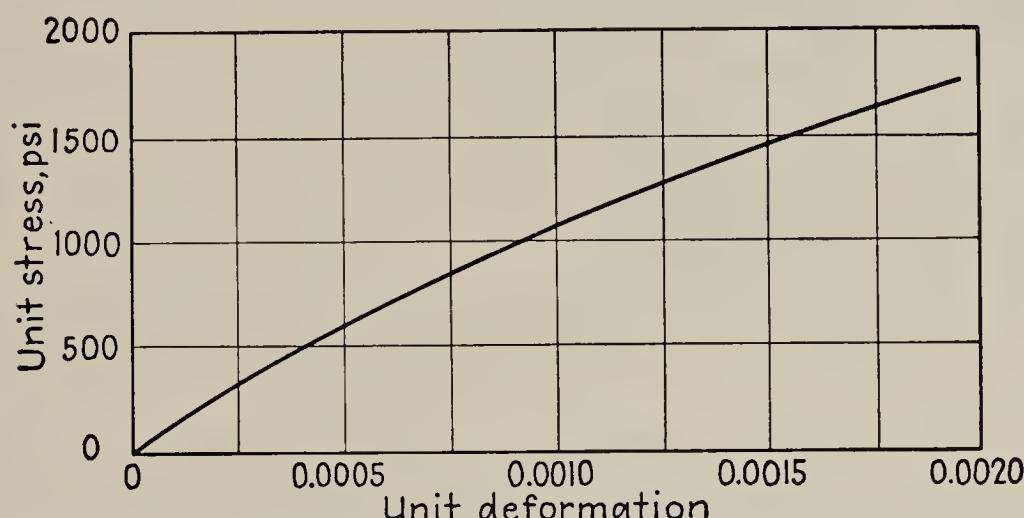


FIG. 4-11. Stress-strain diagram for cured plaster in compression. (*From Roark and Hartenberg, Predicting the Strength of Structures from Tests of Plaster Models, Univ. Wisconsin Bull. 81, 1935.*)

reducing stress concentration. The photoelastic method is especially useful in this respect and laboratory experience with that method is invaluable to the mechanical designer.<sup>1</sup>

*Brittle-material method.* Some brittle materials have an almost constant stress-strain characteristic to rupture. Stress concentration in a member made of such a material will exist until rupture occurs, as discussed in Art. 4-6. Since the load at rupture of the member can be determined by test, this method enables one to compare the peak stress at the point of stress concentration with the calculated stress and thus to determine values for stress-concentration factors.

Pottery plaster is one of the brittle materials that is convenient to use for models of machine members. Figure 4-11 is a stress-strain diagram for a high-grade pottery plaster. In determining the stress-concentration factor for a shaft with a shoulder, for instance, a plaster model of the

<sup>1</sup> G. H. Lee, "An Introduction to Experimental Stress Analysis," John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1950; M. Hetenyi, "Handbook of Experimental Stress Analysis," John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1950.

shaft is cast and machined. Figure 4-12 shows such models. The model is then gradually loaded in a manner that simulates the actual loading of



FIG. 4-12. Cast plaster models of shafts with fillets. (*Courtesy of University of Illinois Engineering Experiment Station.*)

the member, such as torsion or bending, and it is closely observed as the load is applied in order to detect the formation of a crack. The crack will form at the most highly stressed region, and when it forms it is apparent that the stress at the region is the breaking stress of the plaster, and is the maximum stress in the model. By the use of the loading at the instant the crack appeared, the nominal stress at the region of the crack is calculated by the use of the appropriate equation. The ratio of the actual maximum stress to the calculated stress is the static-stress concentration factor.

The brittle-material method may be used for one-, two-, or three-dimensional problems.<sup>1</sup> The results are quantitative.

*The rubber-model method.* This method may be used for one-, two-, or three-dimensional problems; it employs rubber models that are ruled with cross-sectional lines. When the model is loaded, the distortion of the squares is a qualitative indication of strains that may be interpreted in terms of stresses. The regions of stress concentration are generally plainly apparent. Figure 4-13 shows a rubber model in the unloaded and loaded conditions.<sup>2</sup>

*Short gauge-length method.* This method employs a delicate extensometer that has a short gauge length (0.1 in. by R. E. Peterson). The strain is measured at critical points on the surface of the machine member. The method requires a highly developed technique but gives very accurate and informative results.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Seely and James, The Plaster-model Method of Determining Stresses as Applied to Curved Beams, *Univ. Illinois Bull.* 195, 1929; Seely and Dolan, Stress Concentration at Fillets, Holes and Keyways as Found by the Plaster-model Method, *Univ. Illinois Bull.* 276, 1935; Roark and Hartenberg, Predicting the Strength of Structures from Tests of Plaster Models, *Univ. Wisconsin Bull.* 81, 1935.

<sup>2</sup> F. B. Seely, "Advanced Mechanics of Materials," p. 199, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1932; Brewer and Glassco, Determination of Strain Distribution by the Photogrid Process, *J. Aeronaut. Sciences*, vol. 9, no. 1, November, 1941.

<sup>3</sup> Peterson and Wahl, Two- and Three-dimensional Cases of Stress Concentration, and Comparison with Fatigue Tests, *J. Appl. Mechanics*, vol. 3, no. 1, p. A-1, 1936.

*The membrane analogy, or soap-film method.* This method is used to investigate stresses over cross sections of bars subjected to *torsion*. A flat plate is used which has a hole which is cut the same shape as that of the cross section of the bar. A thin membrane, such as a soap film or rubber sheet, is stretched over the hole and uniformly loaded from one side by

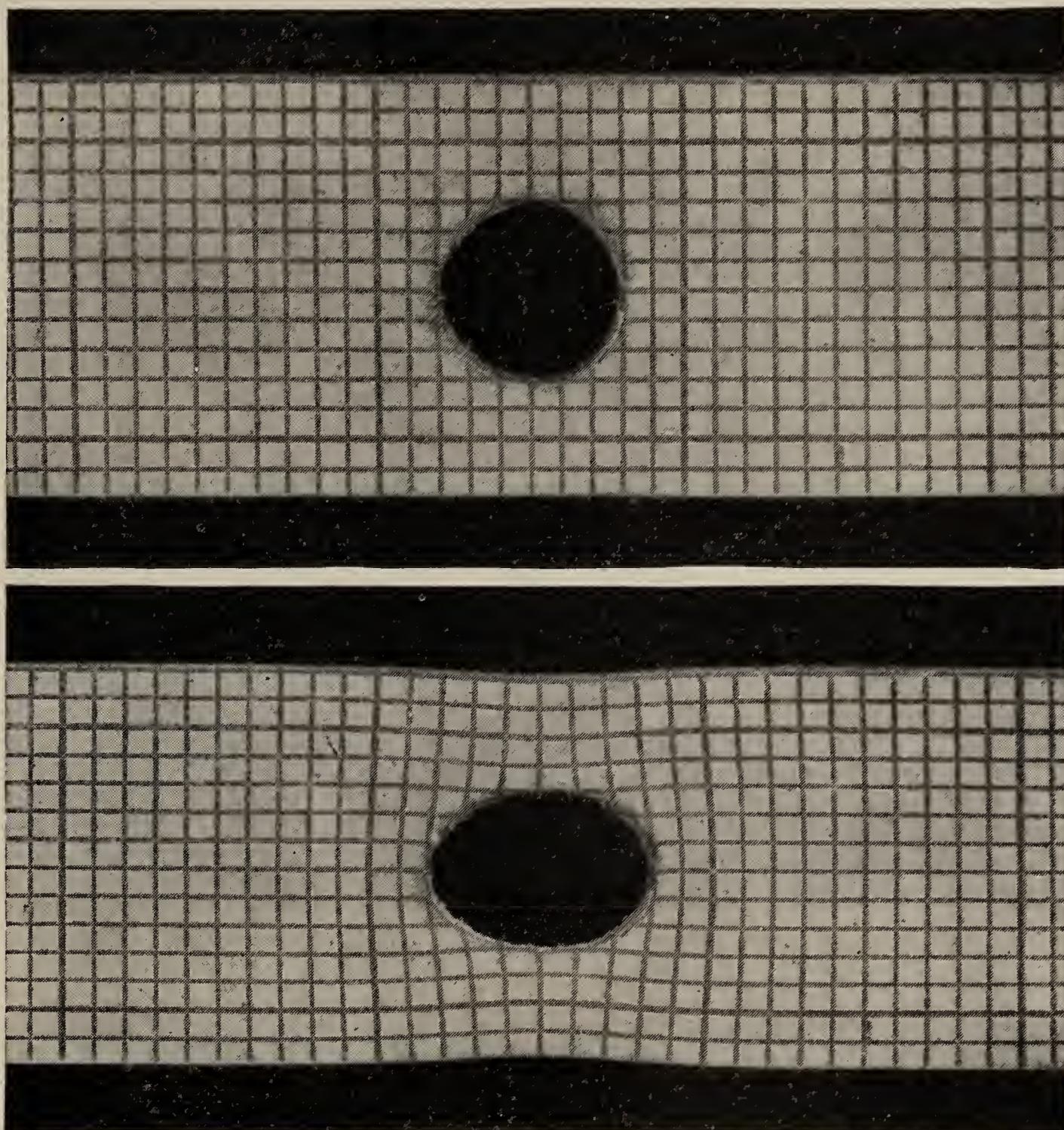


FIG. 4-13. Rubber model. Unloaded model above; axially loaded model below.

air pressure. The analogy establishes certain relations between the deflected surface of the membrane and the stresses in the twisted bar.<sup>1</sup> One of these relations is that the slope of the membrane at any point is proportional to the shearing stress at the corresponding point in the twisted bar. It is possible to visualize the location of the maximum stress by picturing the analogous soap film. The sand-heap analogy has been

<sup>1</sup> S. Timoshenko, "Strength of Materials," II, p. 623, D. Van Nostrand Company, Inc., New York, 1930.

developed to be used in connection with the membrane analogy to investigate the formation and development of plastic flow in torsion members.<sup>1</sup>

*The photoelastic method.* This method uses polarized light and transparent models, which are generally cut from sheets of homalite. By means of images produced by interference of light rays, the stresses in the loaded model may be investigated. Figure 4-14 is a photograph of the photoelastic image of a loaded gear tooth. The region of stress concentration is indicated by the closely spaced fringes at the fillets of the gear



FIG. 4-14. Photoelastic photograph of loaded gear tooth. (*Courtesy of University of Illinois Engineering Experiment Station.*)

tooth. The photoelastic method is generally applied to two-dimensional problems, although it is being developed to solve three-dimensional problems.<sup>2</sup>

The *electric strain gauge* has found extensive use in industry on account of its accuracy, its adaptability to all kinds of structures and parts to indicate local surface conditions of strain, and its ability to indicate either

<sup>1</sup> A. Nádai, "Plasticity," p. 132, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1931; M. A. Sadowsky, An Extension of the Sand-heap Analogy in Plastic Torsion Applicable to Cross Sections Having One or More Holes, *J. Appl. Mechanics*, June, 1941.

<sup>2</sup> M. M. Frocht, "Photoelasticity," John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1941; R. D. Mindlin, Review of Photoelastic Method of Stress Analysis, *J. Appl. Phys.*, April and May, 1939. The latter gives an extensive bibliography.

static or dynamic strains. In the latter use an oscilloscope or an oscillograph are necessary. The most widely used type of electric strain gauge is the resistance-wire type (the SR-4 gauge made by Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corporation) which is bonded to the part under investigation. Its operation is based on the change in electric resistance of a fine wire as it changes in length when the part is strained. The gauges are small and light (so-called postage-stamp gauges) and have been used to measure strains in many applications, for instance, in fillets of engine crankshafts of aircraft in flight, in drive rods and crank pins of locomotives, and in concrete structures such as dams. These gauges are used in many fields, for example, for measuring torques in rotating shafts and also as internal-combustion engine pressure indicators.

The use of *brittle coatings* on machine parts has extensive use for a qualitative measure of strains and in indicating the directions of principal stresses. In this method the part is sprayed with a lacquer which becomes brittle on drying. When the part is loaded, cracks form at the region of high stress. The pattern of the cracks indicates the distribution of principal tensile stresses and the closeness of the cracks may be used to estimate the magnitude of the stress. This method is frequently used to indicate the direction of the principal stresses prior to installing electric strain gauges so that they may be orientated most advantageously. Brittle coating and equipment is made by the Magniflux Corporation under the trade name Stresscoat.

**4-8 Stress-concentration design factors.** Three common types of loading in machine members are tension, bending, and torsion. Tension and bending induce normal stresses  $s$ , and torsion (as well as direct shear) induces shear stress  $s_s$ .

There are two kinds of design factors which we must use to take into account concentration of stress, one for flat bars in which cases the maximum stress at the notch or fillet is a uniaxial system. The appropriate design factor is termed *theoretical stress-concentration factor*. These are theoretical factors because they are determined mathematically or by the photoelastic method.

The other kind of design factor, as discussed later, applies to grooved and stepped shafts in which cases the stress system is biaxial and is taken into account by a *notch factor*.

The types of simple loading on members without and with stress concentration are shown in Fig. 4-15 and are intended to illustrate what the theoretical stress-concentration factor is and how it can be used in design equations. There are of course other kinds of loading and many other forms of members; those shown are samples. In design, each case is a special one from the standpoint of loading (tension, bending, and torsion, or a combination of these); shape of the member (bar with transverse

hole, shaft with circumferential groove, stepped shaft, etc.); type of material (brittle or ductile); and kind of loading (static or cyclic). This article is intended to acquaint the designer with the appropriate methods for selecting the factor and properly using it and also to help him gain an appreciation of its importance.

The theoretical stress-concentration factor may be defined as the maximum stress in a member (at, for instance, a notch or a fillet) divided by the nominal stress at the same section as calculated by a simple equation from strength of materials. The maximum stress is determined mathematically or photoelastically. The nominal stress is usually calculated across the net or minimum section.

The notch factor is defined as the strength of an unnotched member divided by the strength of a notched member of the same size and material.

Stress-concentration design-factor charts for several common shapes of members are given in Appendix X.<sup>1</sup>

In Fig. 4-15(a) is shown an example of tension on a uniform bar in which the tensile stress is uniformly distributed over cross sections and is equal to  $P/A$ , where  $A$  is the cross-sectional area. At (b) is shown a similar bar with notches. As discussed in Art. 4-4, the notches cause a concentration of stress so that the maximum stress  $s_{\max}$  is greater than  $P/A$  and is equal to  $K_t \times P/A$ . In this case  $A$  is the *net area* across the notches. By definition, then,  $K_t$  is the ratio of the maximum stress to the nominal stress  $P/A$ . Its value is always greater than unity.

For design purposes, we may solve the equation for the area

$$A = K_t \times \frac{P}{s_{\max}}$$

In the design of a machine member, the applied load can be determined from the loading data. The value of  $s_{\max}$  can be limited to the allowable stress as discussed in the following chapter. The value for  $K_t$  may be found or estimated from available data such as the charts in Appendix X.

In Fig. 4-15(c) is shown a uniform beam in bending for which the equation  $s = Mc/I$  applies, and at (d) is a beam with notches for which  $s_{\max} = K_t \times Mc/I$ . At (e) and (f) are shown the case of torsion. Here the stress-concentration factor is  $K_{ts}$ , the  $s$  in the subscript referring to shear stress, so that  $s_{s(\max)} = K_{ts} \times Tr/J$ .

<sup>1</sup> These charts as well as symbols, nomenclature, and methods are taken by permission of the author and publisher of "Stress Concentration Design Factors," by R. E. Peterson, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1953. This source contains discussions of the determination of the factors, an extensive bibliography, and some 94 charts for factors for a wide variety of types of loading and shapes of members. Sixteen of these charts have been selected for inclusion in Appendix X.

In all cases in computing the area or section modulus, the *net* section at the notch, fillet, hole, etc., should be used (along with the stress-concentration factor) to determine the quantity desired.

In notched flat bars and stepped bars, the maximum stress at the notch or fillet is a uniaxial system. In a grooved or stepped shaft in tension or bending, however, in addition to the maximum stress as given by the equation containing the stress-concentration factor as discussed above, there is also a stress at right angles to the maximum stress, *i.e.*, the stress

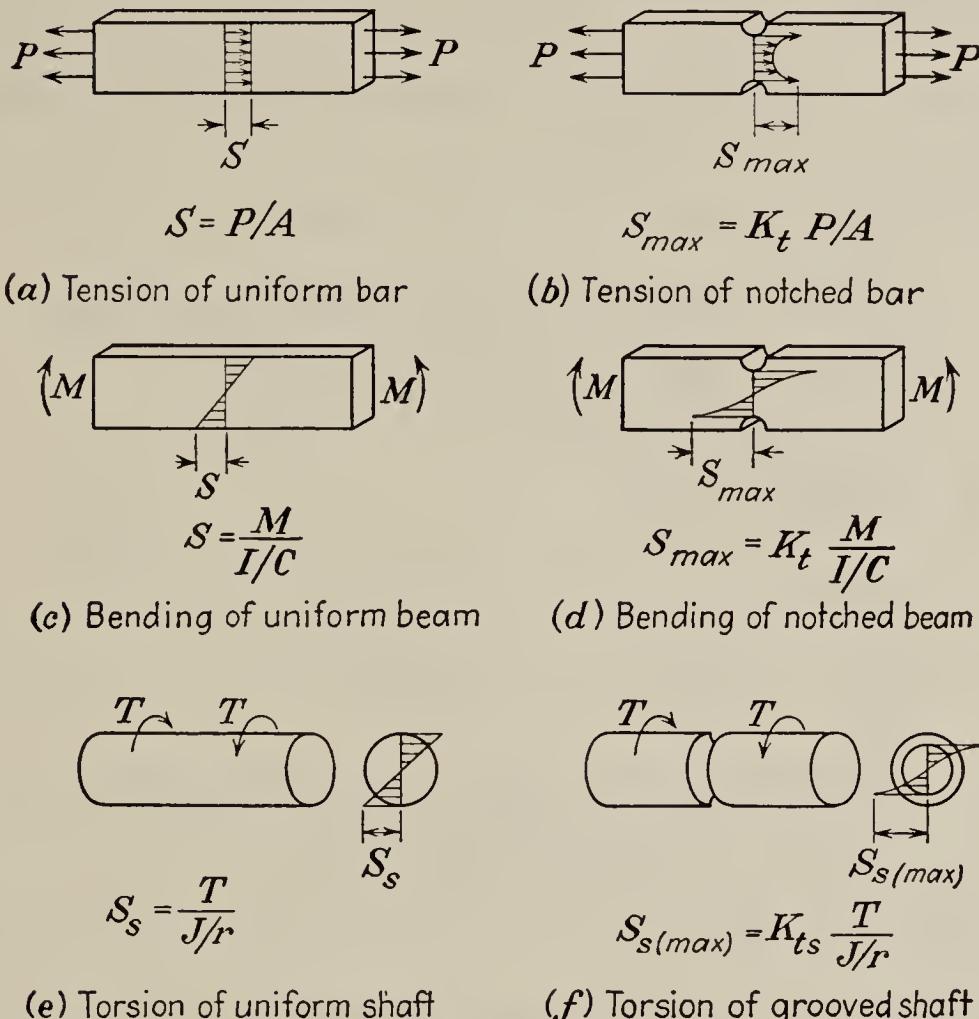


FIG. 4-15. Simple cases of loading without and with stress concentration.

system in biaxial. When we have two stresses at right angles, we need a theory of strength in order to predict failure. The Mises<sup>1</sup> criterion gives values which are in good agreement with results of failure tests of members made of ductile material. By taking into account both stress concentration and the Mises criterion, a new factor has been determined and labeled  $K_{t'}$ , the prime indicating the combined factor. For members in which the highest stressed element is subjected to biaxial tension, the value of  $K_{t'}$  is always less than  $K_t$ , so that if the former is not available the latter may be used. The greatest difference is not over 15 per cent. In the charts, values for the case of shear ( $K_{t's}$ ) are not given for torsion of

<sup>1</sup> R. von Mises, Mechanik der festen Körper im plastisch deformablen Zustand, *Nach. Ges. Wiss. Göttingen Jahresber, Geschäftsjahr, Math-physik. Kl.*, 1913, p. 582; also A. Nádai, Theories of Strength, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 56, p. APM-55-15, 1933.

round shafts because with notches or fillets they are the same as  $K_{ts}$  values.

In cyclic loading, the effect of the notch or fillet is usually less than predicted by the use of the theoretical factors as discussed above, although for high-strength steels the full theoretical factor is generally obtained. The difference depends on the *stress gradient* in the region of stress concentration and on the hardness of the material. The term *notch sensitivity* has been applied to this behavior. Notch sensitivity may be defined as the degree to which the theoretical effect of stress concentration is actually reached. The stress gradient depends mainly on the radius of the notch, hole, or fillet and on the grain size of the material. While extensive data are not available at present, the curves in Fig. 4-16 may be

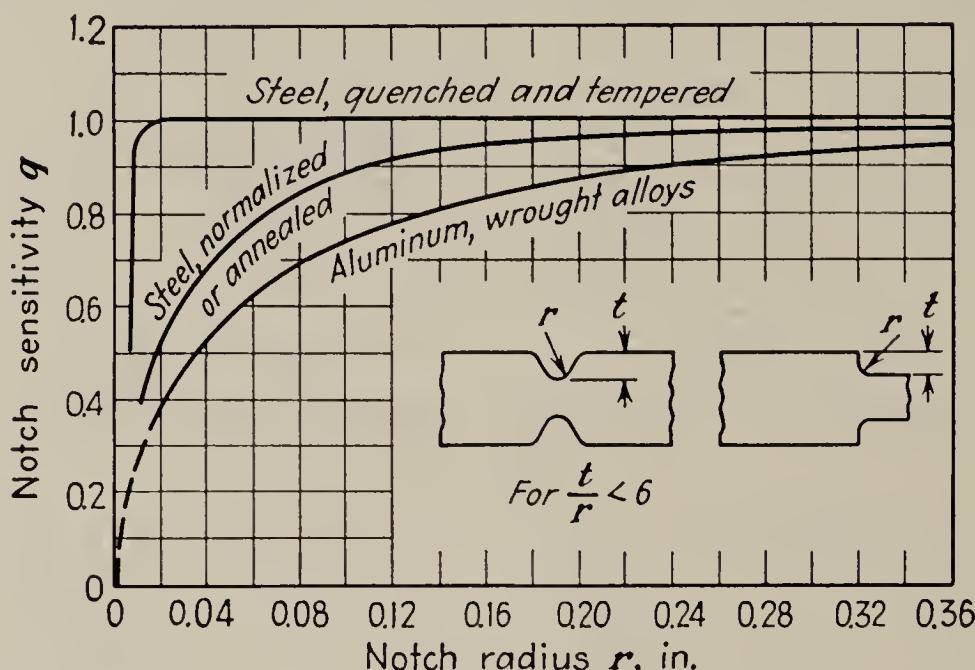


FIG. 4-16. Average notch sensitivity. ("Metals Handbook," 1954 Supplement, Metal Prog., July 15, 1954.)

used to estimate the value of the *notch-sensitivity factor*  $q$  for two steels. When data are not available for determining values for  $q$ , it can be neglected; *i.e.*, use  $q$  equal to unity, and the design will be on the side of safety.

In cyclic loading, therefore, the notch-sensitivity factor is used to modify the stress-concentration factor and a new factor is obtained which is termed *estimated fatigue notch factor*. This factor may be obtained as follows:

$$K_{tf} = 1 + q(K_t - 1) \quad (4-3)$$

$$K_{t'f} = 1 + q(K_{t'} - 1) \quad (4-4)$$

$$K_{tsf} = 1 + q(K_{ts} - 1) \quad (4-5)$$

where  $K_t$  = theoretical stress-concentration factor for normal stress (tension or bending)

$K_{ts}$  = theoretical stress-concentration factor for shear stress (torsion)

$K_t'$  = theoretical combined factor which takes account of both stress concentration and strength theory (Mises criterion)

$K_{tf}$  = estimated fatigue notch factor for normal stress

$K_{t'sf}$  = estimated combined fatigue factor for normal stress

$K_{tsf}$  = estimated fatigue notch factor for shear stress

$q$  = notch-sensitivity factor for cyclic loading

Table 4-1 may be helpful in collecting the various procedures suggested in this article. For ductile materials under static loading, stress concentration usually may be neglected; *i.e.*, use a value for the factor equal to unity, for reasons discussed in Art. 4-6.

TABLE 4-1. CHART FOR GUIDANCE IN SELECTING STRESS-CONCENTRATION FACTORS FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF LOADING AND MATERIALS

Loading	Brittle material		Ductile material	
	Normal	Shear	Normal	Shear
	$K_t$	$K_{ts}$	Neglect	Neglect
Static	$K_t$	$K_{ts}$	Neglect	Neglect
Cyclic	$K_t$	$K_{ts}$	$K_{t'f}$	$K_{tsf}$

For round bars with circumferential groove or shaft with shoulder fillet, if  $q$  values are not available, use  $K_{tf}$  values.

EXAMPLE 4-1. Determine the size of a shaft to be subjected essentially to a cyclic bending moment of 4,000 in.-lb. The shaft is to be ground and with a semicircular groove  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. in radius. The groove is part of a sealing arrangement. Assume that the shaft is annealed 1030 steel and that the factor of safety is 2. (Using data from Chap. 5, the allowable stress may be found to be approximately 16,000 psi.)

SOLUTION: Let us assume that the ratio of  $r$  to  $d$  (Fig. X-9) is approximately  $\frac{1}{8}$ , so that if the shaft is found to be 1 in. in net diameter at the groove, the ratio  $r/d$  will be correct; otherwise the assumption may be modified for a second trial.

If  $r/d$  is  $\frac{1}{8}$ , then  $D/d$  will be 1.25 and  $K_t' = 1.62$  from Fig. X-9.

From Fig. 4-16,

$$q = 0.9$$

From Eq. (4-4),

$$\begin{aligned} K_{t'f} &= 1 + q(K_t' - 1) \\ &= 1 + 0.9(1.62 - 1) = 1.56 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\frac{\pi d^3}{16} = \frac{K_{t'f} M}{s_{(all)}} = \frac{156 \times 4,000}{16,000} = 0.393 \text{ in.}^3$$

From Appendix IV,

$$d = 1\frac{5}{16} \text{ in.} \quad \text{and} \quad D = 1\frac{5}{16} + \frac{1}{4} = 1\frac{9}{16} \text{ in.}$$

The actual ratio  $r/d$  is  $0.125/1.3125 = 0.99$  instead of the assumed value 0.125, and the actual value of  $q$  is 0.85 instead of 0.9. Also the actual value of  $D/d$  is 1.19. A check will show that it is not worthwhile to make a second solution.

## CHAPTER 5

### ALLOWABLE STRESSES

**5-1 General.** In Chaps. 3 and 4, relations were discussed for determining the values of stresses which are induced by applied loads on machine members. The effects of impact loading, and of sharp changes in section and other "stress raisers" were considered so that the designer can calculate or estimate the probable value of the maximum stress<sup>1</sup> in the part being designed. This stress is referred to as the maximum induced stress or simply the *induced stress*.

In many cases the loads are not known closely or the factors for stress concentration are not known for the particular shape of the part, so that in predicting maximum stresses the designer may resort to experimental stress analysis on models or he may obtain data from similar parts in service. This is common practice in the design of members of complex shape, such as automobile connecting rods, crankshafts, parts of firearms, complicated castings, etc. In any event the designer determines as closely as possible the expected maximum induced stress in the member being designed. This is usually in the form of an equation with the cross-sectional dimensions of the member as the unknown quantities.

The next step is to choose the material for the member, basing the choice partly on its mechanical properties so that its *allowable stress* will be at least equal to and frequently greater than the maximum induced stress. The allowable stress is thus the upper limit to the induced stress. In order to provide a margin against failure, it is common practice in machine design to determine the allowable stress by dividing the failure stress for the member by a *factor of safety*. The failure stress depends squarely on the method of failure and is discussed in the following articles.

**5-2 Allowable stresses for static loading.** For members made of ductile material and subjected to static loading, failure occurs either if the part fractures or if it becomes permanently deformed. Both of these

<sup>1</sup> In case there are initial stresses expected in the part due to casting, fabrication, or heat-treatment, these may also be included in the maximum stress; however, initial stresses are difficult to estimate, so that if it is not feasible to relieve them by annealing or other means, their influence may more properly be dealt with by using an increased value of the factor of safety.

modes of failure can be prevented if the maximum stress in the part is kept below the elastic limit (or the yield point which for steel has practically the same value) as follows, where f.s. is the factor of safety:

$$s_a = \frac{s_y}{f.s.} \quad (5-1)$$

where  $s_a$  = allowable stress, psi

$s_y$  = elastic limit, or yield point, psi

The failure load for a statically loaded member made of ductile material is not markedly affected by stress concentration because of the redistribution of stress that takes place beyond the yield point. Therefore in the design of a member made of a *ductile* material to support a *static load*, it is permissible, generally, to modify the value of the stress-concentration factor or to neglect it entirely. The following general rules may be applied: If it is desired to prevent plastic flow entirely, use the full value of the stress-concentration factor. If plastic flow at the regions of stress concentration is not objectionable, as is usually the case, neglect the effect of stress concentration, that is, use  $K_t = 1$ . In some cases it may be desirable to use values of  $K_t$  between its full value and unity.

In Fig. 3-13 is shown a steel bolt that failed in static loading caused by simultaneous tension and bending. This is failure as a ductile material and necking down is apparent. Stress concentration caused by the threads had little or no effect on failure.

For materials which do not have a well-defined yield point, as cast iron, the allowable stress for static loading may be based on the ultimate strength with a factor of safety larger than for a ductile material. In members made of *brittle* material there is practically no plastic flow of the material to relieve stress concentration; hence the full value of the factor should be used.

In Fig. 3-12, the cast-iron C clamp failed in static loading at the point where the curved-beam effect would indicate maximum tensile stress. The fracture is typical of brittle material and shows no plastic flow.

**5-3 Allowable stresses for cyclic loading.** In this type of loading, failure generally occurs at a stress lower than for static loading. There are two reasons for this: first, the stress at failure is the endurance limit of the material which is lower than its yield point. The endurance limit is usually determined from tests on polished specimens with no abrupt changes in section. Second, in machine members, stress concentration is invariably present in some degree owing to necessary changes in section or to other causes such as rough finish, and, in cyclic loading, the ductility of the material does not reduce stress concentration; instead a fatigue crack may develop, which usually leads to rapid failure of the part. It is therefore necessary in cyclic loading to base the allowable stress on the

endurance limit of the member and always to use the appropriate stress-concentration design factor. The endurance limit for a material depends on the finish of the part (see Appendix VII) and also on the range of stress for the particular loading, as discussed in Art. 5-4.

The allowable stress for cyclic loading may be determined as follows:

$$s_a = \frac{s_e}{f.s.} \quad (5-2)$$

where  $s_a$  = allowable stress, psi

$s_e$  = endurance limit, psi

f.s. = factor of safety

In cyclic loading, stress concentration is serious whether the material is ductile or brittle; hence the full value of the appropriate stress-concentration design factor should be used.

The hypoid pinion teeth shown in Fig. 3-14 failed in cyclic loading by a fatigue crack<sup>1</sup> which started at the tension fillet of the tooth and spread until the tooth broke off. Two teeth were thus affected. There was no plastic flow exhibited on the surface of the fracture.

**5-4 Endurance limit and range of stress.** The rotating-beam testing machine<sup>2</sup> is used in the majority of fatigue tests; hence the endurance limits reported as results of these tests are for completely reversed stresses. Since many machine members undergo different ranges of stress than the completely reversed, it is convenient for design purposes to know the effect of the range of stress on the endurance limit.

The type of stress as shown in Fig. 5-1(b) is a completely reversed stress in which the maximum stress in tension equals the maximum stress in compression, as in the rotating-beam testing machine.

The type of stress shown at (d) has a range of stress that may be specified by stating  $s_{\min}$  and  $s_{\max}$ . This stress may be considered as a steady (mean) stress  $s_m$  and a completely reversed stress  $s_r$  superimposed on the steady component. A reversed stress that is superimposed on a compressive stress is shown in Fig. 5-1(a).

The endurance limit of a material for a particular range of stress is the maximum induced stress that the material can withstand without failure for an indefinite number of repetitions of the stress. In Fig. 5-2 is shown a diagram for determining the endurance limits for specimens made of three steels. These results were determined from rotating-beam tests.

<sup>1</sup> The monograph "Fatigue and Fracture of Metals," William M. Murray (editor), published jointly by the Technology Press of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1950, contains an excellent review of this subject.

<sup>2</sup> Moore and Krouse, Repeated-stress (Fatigue) Testing Machines Used in the Materials Testing Laboratory of the University of Illinois, *Univ. Illinois Eng. Expt. Sta. Circ.* 23, 1934.

In the design of members subjected to other ranges of stress than completely reversed stress, it is necessary to know the effect of the range of stress on the endurance limit. A formula that fits experimental data

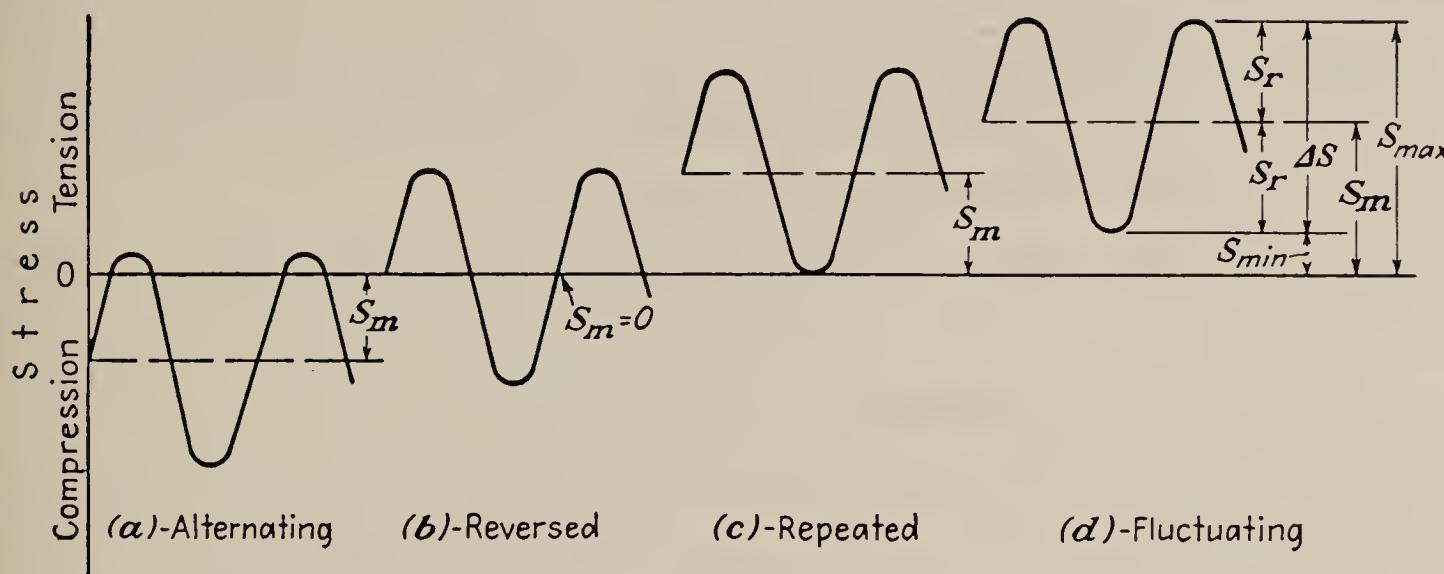


FIG. 5-1. Types of stress ranges.

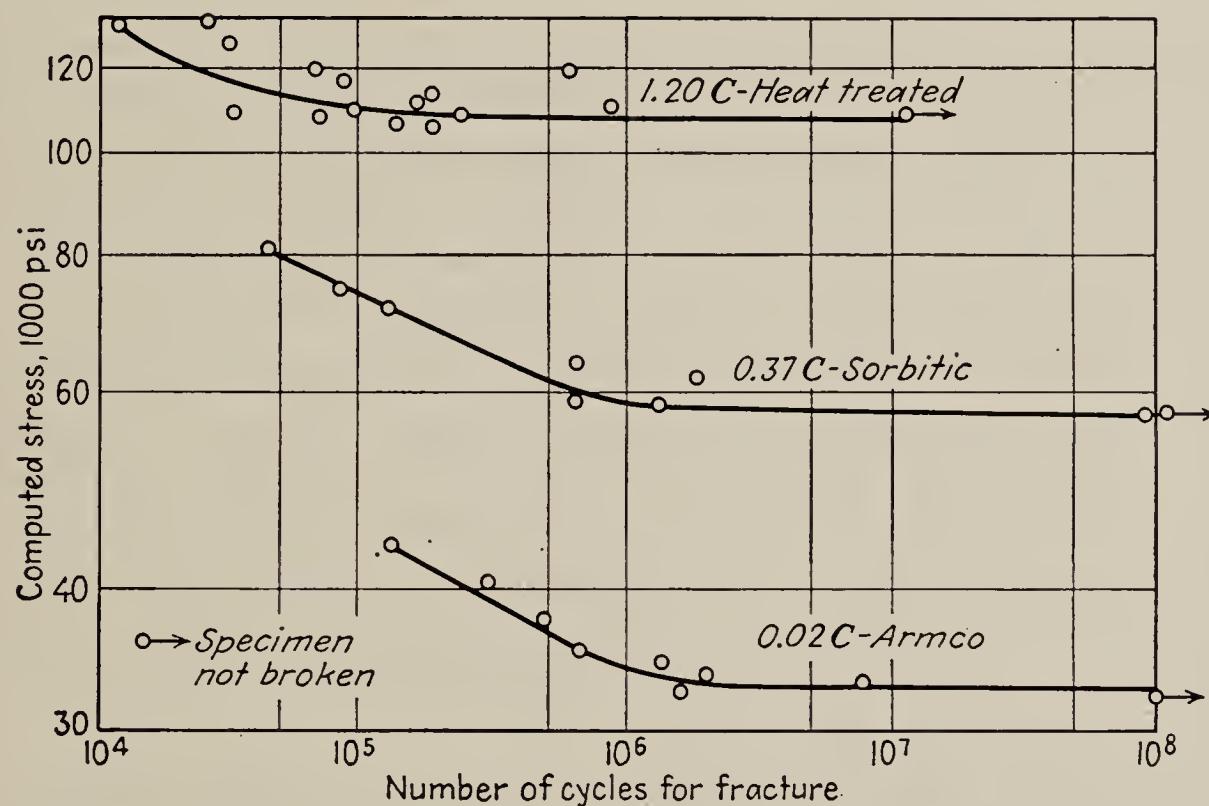


FIG. 5-2. Fatigue test results plotted for endurance-limit determination.

reasonably well is given by Moore and Kommers.<sup>1</sup> This formula is given in terms of the stress ratio  $r$  instead of the range of stress. The stress ratio is used, since in the design of a member the values of the minimum and maximum stresses are unknown, but their ratio, within the elastic

<sup>1</sup> H. F. Moore and J. B. Kommers, "The Fatigue of Metals," p. 185, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1927; see also J. O. Smith, The Effect of Range of Stress on the Fatigue Strength of Metals, *Univ. Illinois Eng. Expt. Sta. Bull.* 334, 1942. Note that in Art. 5-7 a more refined method is discussed for dealing with range of stress.

limit, is equal to the ratio of the minimum to maximum applied loads, which is known generally.

$$s'_e = \frac{3s_e}{2 - r} \quad (5-3)$$

where  $s'_e$  = endurance limit for any stress range represented by  $r$   
 $s_e$  = endurance limit for completely reversed stresses as found by  
the rotating-beam testing machine  
 $r$  = stress ratio =  $\frac{\text{minimum stress}}{\text{maximum stress}}$ ; for completely reversed  
stresses,  $r = -1$ ; for repeated stress,  $r = 0$ ;  $r$  cannot be  
greater than unity

Experimental evidence indicates that the value of  $s_e$  for polished specimens of wrought ferrous metals is approximately one-half the ultimate strength in tension and also that the endurance limit of wrought ferrous metals in repeated completely reversed torsion, or shear, is approximately  $0.55s_e$ .

**5-5 Design for requirements other than strength.** *Stiffness.* While all machine members must have sufficient strength to prevent either fracture or permanent deformation, many machine parts have, in addition, limits to their deflection. Limits to deflection are particularly necessary in shafts which carry gears so that excessive wear of the teeth due to misalignment will be avoided. Also, the shaft must not bend so much as to bind it in its bearings. Shafts of motors and generators must be stiff enough to maintain the correct air gap between the rotor and stator. Machine tool shafts must be stiff enough to give accurate cuts without chatter marks. In many moving parts, vibration may be objectionable, and vibration is a function not of strength of a member or a system but of its deflections. Actually there are more industrial machine parts that have their dimensions determined on the basis of stiffness than on strength requirements.

In considering stiffness in the design of a part, two difficulties arise: (1), the limits to deflection are not as closely known as are limits to stress; (2) it is generally impossible to establish an expression for the deflection in terms of the loading in an actual machine part being designed. After the dimensions of the member have been determined, it is usually comparatively simple to calculate the probable deflections at critical locations. The use of graphics (see Appendix XIII) is helpful in many cases.

It is a common procedure in designing for stiffness first to determine the dimensions of the part on the basis of strength, using a value for the allowable stress determined from analyses of similar existing parts in similar service which have performed satisfactorily. Many design codes are written on this basis and frequently in checking back on the factor of

safety it is found to be higher than might be expected; values of 10 or higher are not uncommon. These values should be thought of, not as giving a member which is, say, ten times as strong as it need be, but rather that the corresponding allowable stress gives a member which will probably have satisfactory deflection characteristics. After the dimensions of the member have been thus determined for strength, the deflections at the necessary critical points can then be determined and compared with values regarded to be in the range of allowable values. In checking the vibration characteristics, the natural frequency of the moving part can be calculated after the deflections have been determined. This procedure is discussed in detail in Chap. 24.

*Pressures.* At points of contact between parts, the pressure between them may be the basis for design in order to prevent failure. In some cases there is virtually no movement between the surfaces, as in rivets, rolling bearing races where they contact the housing or the shaft, and in serrations in fittings. These parts may fail by crushing of the surfaces or by mechanical fretting.

At points of contact between surfaces that have relative movement, the surfaces may fail by pitting, by galling, or by other types of wear. Examples are gear teeth, rolling elements in rolling bearings, pins and bushings of power chains, cams and the followers, and wheels or rollers on rails. These types of failure depend, among other factors as discussed in this book, on pressure between the parts, which, if kept within proper limits, may prevent failure or delay it for a reasonable period. Allowable pressures may be determined on this basis from parts which have behaved satisfactorily in service and may be used for design purposes.

**5-6 Factor of safety.** As discussed earlier in this chapter, the factor of safety is a number used to divide into the appropriate property of the material to obtain the allowable stress. In design for strength to avoid fracture and permanent deformation, the appropriate property for static loading of brittle material is the ultimate strength, and for ductile material is the yield point, while for cyclic loading the appropriate property is the endurance limit. The allowable stress thus determined is then equated to the induced stress for the part, and calculations are then made for the dimensions. The induced stress should include any effects of stress concentration and shock loading.

In some design offices, the stress-concentration factor and the shock factor are included in the factor of safety, but that method is not used here since those two factors can be estimated fairly closely. In addition, they usually vary from section to section in the member so that if we included them in the factor of safety, we would have the anomaly of a different allowable stress for each section of the member.

The above discussions apply to members which are designed for strength.

For stiffness, the allowable stress is usually determined from design codes or from analyses of similar members which have performed satisfactorily under similar service conditions. In this case the designer may well avoid thinking of the allowable stress in terms of a factor of safety.

The choice of the value for the factor of safety depends largely on the judgment of the designer and should cover such considerations as the following:

1. Degree of certainty of the loading
2. Reliability of material
3. Initial stresses
4. Whether assumptions made in the analysis are on the side of safety
5. Whether failure would endanger life, damage expensive machinery or equipment, or cause expensive shutdowns

When effects of stress concentration and shock loading, if any, are included in the calculations for the induced stress, or if the induced stress is estimated from methods of experimental stress analysis, the factor of safety for ductile material in static loading based on the yield point is usually in the range of 1.5 to 2.5 for industrial equipment. The lower values are used when low weight and cost have precedence over high dependability and insurance against any failure. In many parts made in production quantities, and as dictated by quality-control requirements, a certain percentage of failures can be tolerated if such failures of the part would not endanger life or cause excessive inconvenience or expense. Usually failures in power-transmission machinery are expensive so that efforts to prevent any failure are well justified.

**5-7 Allowable stresses for combined variable loading.** As has been discussed early in this chapter, we have assumed that failure in a ductile material subjected to static loading occurs when the induced stress reaches the yield point, and in cyclic loading when the stress reaches the endurance limit. If a member is subjected to combined loading, part of which may be static and part cyclic, the question arises as to how to determine the allowable stress.

Let us assume the case of a straight bar subjected to a tensile load which varies from  $P_{\max}$  to  $P_{\min}$ . This loading can be expressed as a steady component  $P_m$  (the subscript  $m$  standing for *mean*) on which is superimposed a cyclic component  $P_r$ , as represented in Fig. 5-1(d). If  $A$  is the cross-sectional area of the bar, the stresses corresponding to the above loads will be a static stress  $P_m/A$  and a cyclic stress  $P_r/A$ .

Experimental data on bars with this type of loading are fairly extensive, and when the failure points are plotted as in Fig. 5-3, they follow generally the curve indicated by the dotted line. The curve shows that if the static component is zero, failure occurs at point  $A$ , which is the endurance limit of the material, while if the cyclic component is zero, the bar fractures at

$B$ , the ultimate strength. In the design of machine parts, we wish to regard failure in static loading as occurring at the yield point in order to avoid permanent deformation; hence if we regard point  $C$ , the yield point, as indicating failure under static conditions, it will be consistent with usual design procedure.

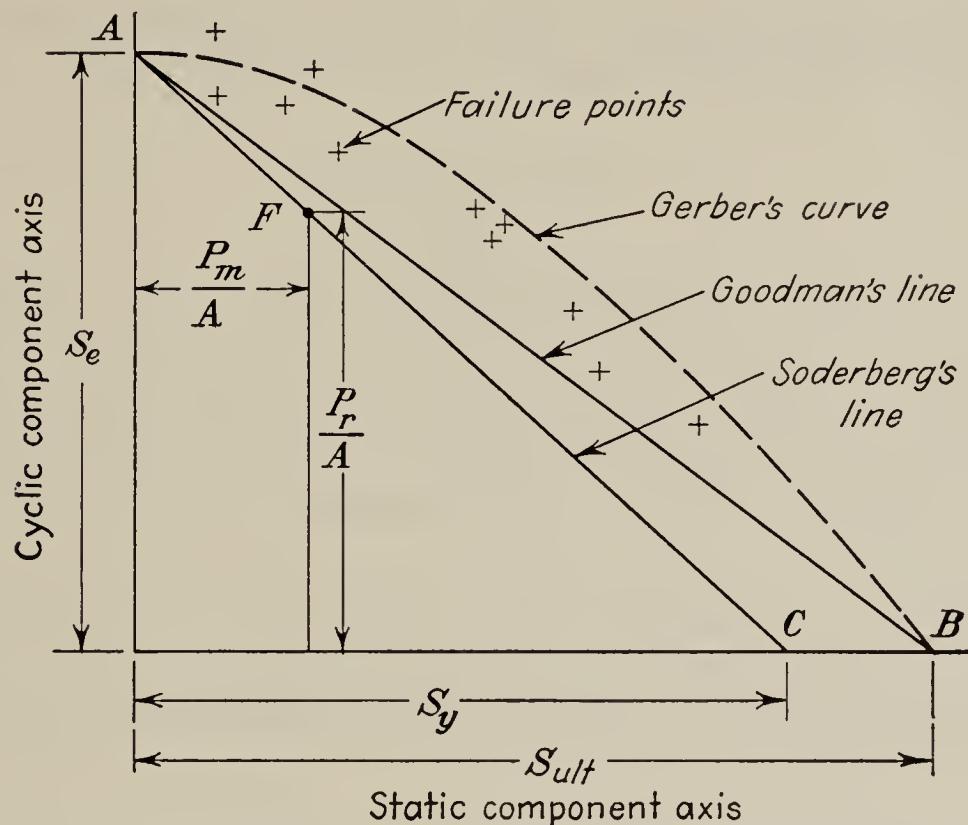


FIG. 5-3. Failure under combined static and cyclic loads.

It has been suggested<sup>1</sup> that, for design purposes, a straight line be drawn from  $A$  to  $C$  so that no failure points will lie below this line and the end conditions  $A$  and  $C$  are consistent with usual design practice. Any point on this line, such as  $F$ , will represent the limiting conditions for design purposes.

From similar triangles<sup>2</sup>

$$\frac{s_y - P_m/A}{s_y} = \frac{P_r/A}{s_e} \quad (5-4)$$

This equation can be written in the form

$$s_y = \frac{P_m + P_r s_y / s_e}{A} \quad (5-5)$$

If the factor of safety is introduced and the strength-reduction factor  $K'_t$  is applied to the variable load component, Eq. (5-5) becomes

$$\frac{s_y}{\text{f.s.}} = \frac{P_m + K_t P_r s_y / s_e}{A} \quad (5-6)$$

<sup>1</sup> C. R. Soderberg, Factor of Safety and Working Stress, *J. Appl. Mechanics*, vol. 52, no. 11, p. APM-52-53, 1930.

<sup>2</sup> This approach in writing the design equations follows closely, by permission of the author and publisher, R. T. Hinkle, A Simple Method of Presenting the Combined Variable-load Equations, *J. Eng. Educ.*, vol. 41, no. 7, March, 1951.

An inspection of this equation shows that, if the variable component  $P_r$  equals zero, the equation reduces to  $A = P_m \div s_y/\text{f.s.}$ , and if the static component equals zero, it reduces to  $A = (K_t'P_r) \div s_e/\text{f.s.}$  The allowable stresses in these equations then are consistent with Eqs. (5-1) and (5-2).

If the appropriate symbols are used in Fig. 5-3, the following equations for bending and torsion are obtained:

$$\frac{I}{c} = \frac{M_m + K_t'M_r s_y/s_e}{s_y/\text{f.s.}} \quad (5-7)$$

$$\frac{J}{r} = \frac{T_m + K_s'T_r s_y/s_e}{s_{ys}/\text{f.s.}} \quad (5-8)$$

In Eq. (5-8),  $s_{ys}$  is the yield point in shear, and  $s_y/s_e$  for tension can be used instead of the corresponding values for shear since the ratios are nearly the same value. This equation applies of course only to shafts of circular cross section.

The equation for *combined bending and torsion* both of which may be variable may be similarly obtained, using Eq. (13-5) to give the following equation, which has become known as the "Westinghouse equation" for solid shafts of circular cross section:

$$\frac{\pi d^3}{16} = \frac{\sqrt{(M_m + K_t'M_r s_y/s_e)^2 + (T_m + K_s'T_r s_y/s_e)^2}}{s_{ys}/\text{f.s.}} \quad (5-9)$$

where  $d$  = diameter of shaft

$M_m$  = mean component of bending moment

$M_r$  = cyclic component of bending moment

$T_m$  = mean component of torsional moment

$T_r$  = cyclic component of torsional moment

$K_t'$  = combined factor for bending

$K_s'$  = combined factor for torsion

$s_y$  = yield point in tension

$s_{ys}$  = yield point in shear

$s_e$  = endurance limit in reversed bending

f.s. = factor of safety

Equation (5-9) may be compared with the equation for the ASME Code for the Design of Transmission Shafting given in Chap. 13. The latter equation may be used for the design of general purpose transmission shafting; but if cost, service, and safety requirements are critical, as in turboalternator shafts which are parts of very expensive equipment and where outages are serious, then the use of Eq. (5-9) is fully justified. Deflection and vibration characteristics of such shafts should be investigated separately.

## CHAPTER 6

### MEMBERS THAT FAIL BY BUCKLING

**6-1 Columns and struts.** Short compression members subjected to centrally applied loads may be designed on the basis of direct compression. If, however, the member has a length greater than four to six times the least dimension perpendicular to its axis, it is classed as a column or strut and failure may be caused by buckling.

Theoretical equations for the design of columns were first developed by Euler. The Euler formula for the buckling load, or critical load, of a long column was derived on the assumption that the column bows sideways while the stresses are within the elastic limit. This type of failure is the result of *elastic instability*.

If the column is of less slender proportions, the maximum stress may reach the yield point before sideways bowing occurs; hence, the Euler formula does not predict the critical load. This type of failure is the result of *plastic instability*. A rational equation for the critical load has not been developed for this type of failure; hence, formulas based on experimental results must be used for columns that fail by this method. A formula that gives a reasonable check on test results for columns of this type is the J. B. Johnson formula.

A third type of failure for columns made of thin sections, such as tubes, or for built-up columns is *local buckling*.

**6-2 Design of steel columns.** The Euler and the J. B. Johnson formulas are as follows:

The Euler formula:

$$F_{cr} = \frac{n\pi^2 EI}{L}$$

The J. B. Johnson formula:

$$F_{cr} = As_y \left( 1 - \frac{s_y L^2}{4n\pi^2 E \rho^2} \right)$$

where  $F_{cr}$  = critical load causing failure, lb

$A$  = cross-sectional area, in.<sup>2</sup>

$I$  = moment of inertia of area, in.<sup>4</sup>

$L$  = length of column, in.

$\rho$  = least radius of gyration of cross section, in.

$n$  = end-fixity coefficient (see Fig. 6-1)

$E$  = modulus of elasticity of material, psi

$s_y$  = yield point of material, psi

$$B = \frac{s_y L^2}{n \pi^2 E}$$

In the design of a column or strut, the length is usually known but, since the dimensions of the cross section are not known initially, one cannot determine which equation, Euler's or J. B. Johnson's should be used.

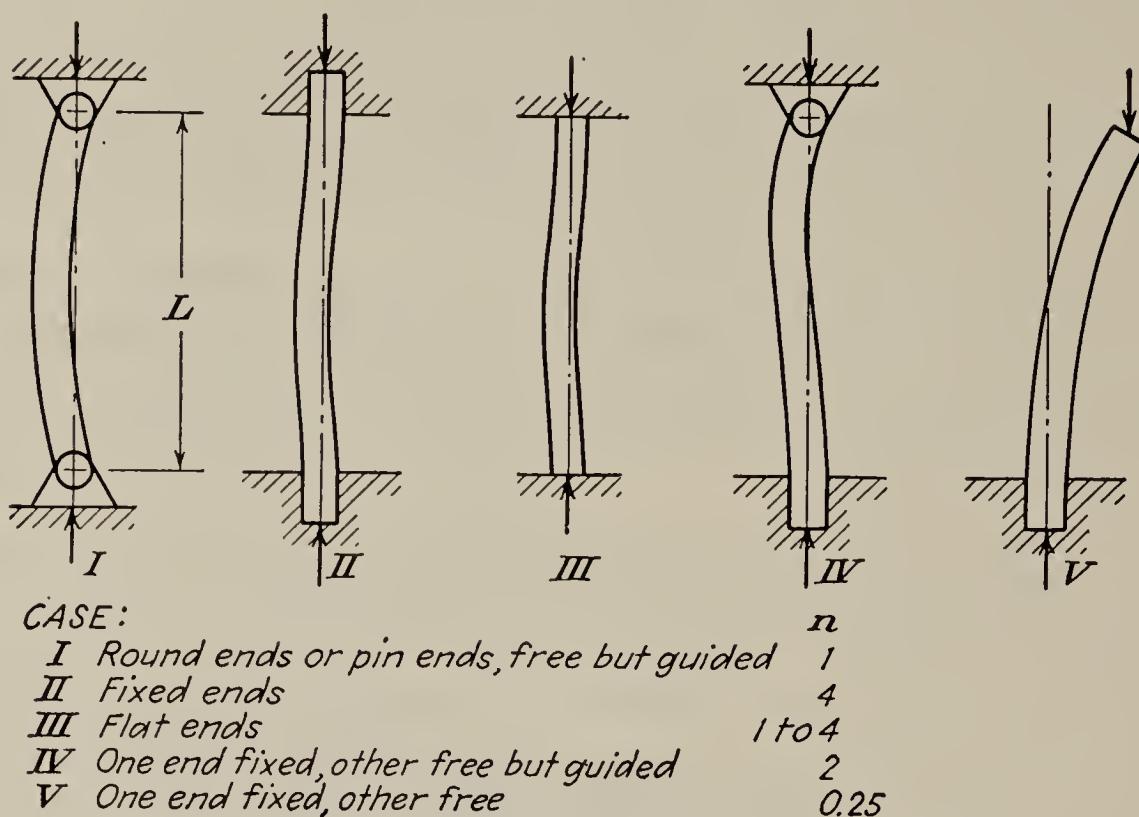


FIG. 6-1. End-fixity coefficients for columns.

As an aid in expressing the range in which the equations apply, and in checking the results, the dimensionless quantity  $B/\rho^2$  is useful in which

$$B = \frac{s_y L^2}{n \pi^2 E}$$

The Euler and J. B. Johnson equations may be rewritten by introducing  $B$  and  $\rho$  as

The Euler formula (for  $B/\rho^2 > 2$ ):

$$F_{cr} = \frac{s_y A \rho^2}{B} \quad (6-1)$$

The J. B. Johnson formula (for  $B/\rho^2 < 2$ ):

$$F_{cr} = A s_y \left( 1 - \frac{B}{4\rho^2} \right) \quad (6-2)$$

If these two equations for  $F_{cr}$  are equated, it will be found that  $B/\rho^2 = 2$ . For that condition, the column would be at the point of simultaneous failure by elastic and plastic instability, that is, for values of  $B/\rho^2$  less than 2, failure would be predicted by the J. B. Johnson equation, while for  $B/\rho^2$  greater than 2, the Euler formula applies. These ranges are shown in Fig. 6-2.

Most struts used in machinery are of proportions in the J. B. Johnson range rather than the Euler range, so that, unless it is evident that the

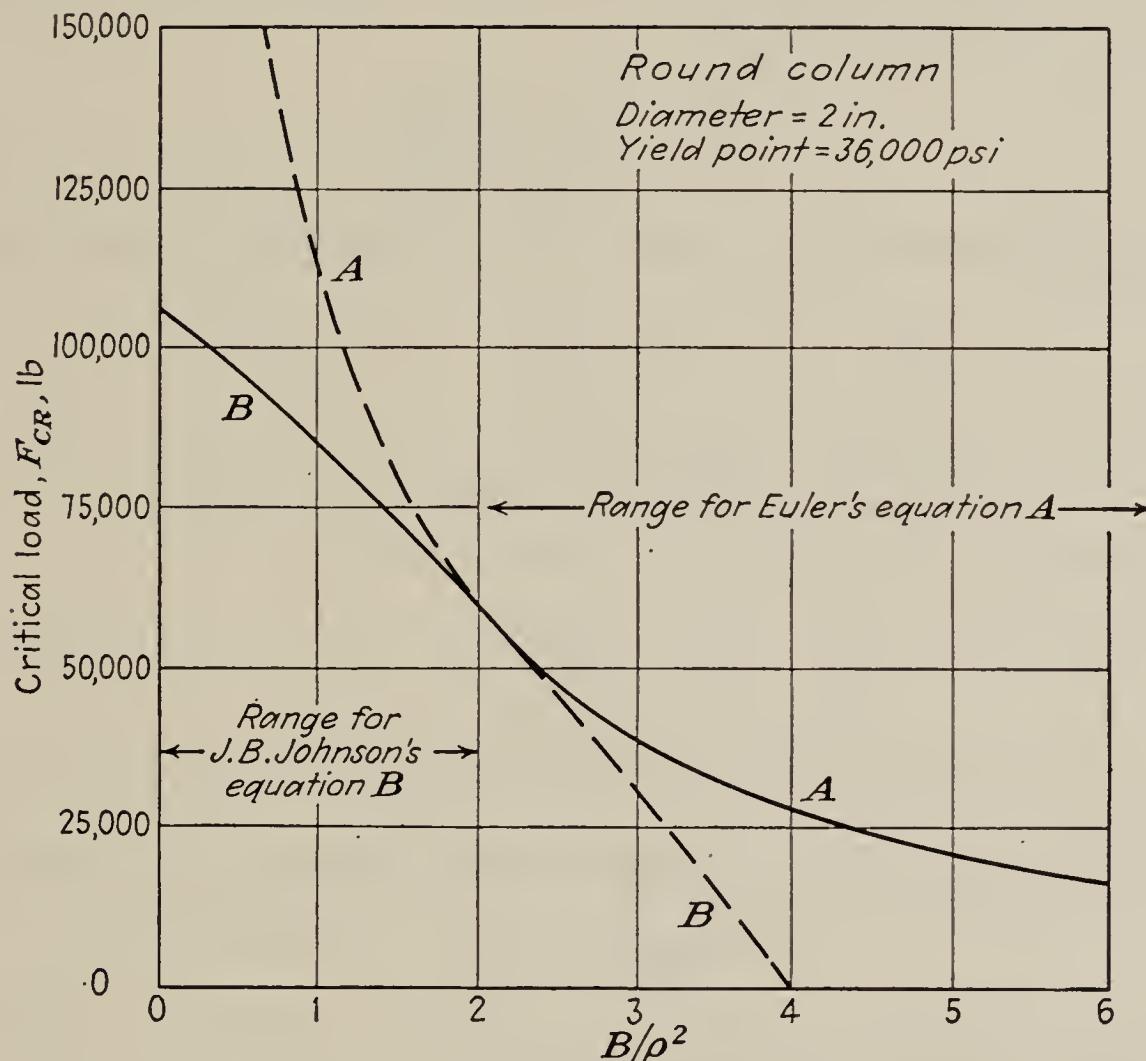


FIG. 6-2. Ranges for Euler's and J. B. Johnson's equations.

column will be long and of small cross section, the J. B. Johnson equation should be tried as a first trial and the assumption checked by the criterion of  $B/\rho^2$  after the cross-sectional dimensions have been determined.

In arriving at the design value for the end-fixity coefficient  $n$ , it is necessary to consider the degree to which the actual support approaches one of the ideal cases in Fig. 6-1. For instance, the fixed-end case is seldom realized in an actual installation because of the deflection of the support so that the design value of  $n$  may be well limited to 3 or possibly 3.5 instead of the ideal value of 4.

In determining the radius of gyration, it is necessary to consider the plane in which failure occurs. The plane of failure will be that for which the combination of bending resistance and end fixity is the least, *i.e.*, the plane for which the product  $nI$  is the least.

**EXAMPLE.** A pin-ended strut 6 in. long is to be made of SAE 1030 steel, of circular cross section, and is to support a compressive load of 2,000 lb. The diameter of the loading pins at the ends of the strut is  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. See Fig. 3-2 for the appearance of the strut. Assuming a factor of safety for the strut of 1.5 and an allowable bearing pressure at the pins of 10,000 psi, determine the dimensions for the strut.

**SOLUTION:** For the strut,

$$B = \frac{s_y L^2}{n\pi^2 E} = \frac{42,000 \times 6^2}{1 \times \pi^2 \times 30,000,000} = 0.0051 \text{ in.}$$

$$F_{cr} = f.s. \times F_{all} = 1.5 \times 2,000 = 3,000 \text{ lb}$$

From the J. B. Johnson equation,

$$F_{cr} = As_y \left( 1 - \frac{B}{4\rho^2} \right)$$

If substitutions are made for  $A = \pi d^2/4$  and  $\rho = d/4$  and the equation is solved for  $d^2$ , the result is

$$\begin{aligned} d^2 &= \frac{4F_{cr}}{\pi s_y} + 4B = \frac{4 \times 3,000}{\pi \times 42,000} + 4 \times 0.0051 \\ &= 0.091 + 0.020 = 0.111 \text{ in.}^2 \\ d &= 0.333 \quad \text{Use } \frac{3}{8} \text{ in. in diameter for the strut} \end{aligned}$$

As a check on the choice of the J. B. Johnson equation,

$$\frac{B}{\rho^2} = \frac{4B}{d^2} = \frac{4 \times 0.0051}{(0.375)^2} = 0.145$$

Since the value of  $B/\rho^2$  is less than 2, the assumption of the J. B. Johnson equation was correct.

For the dimensions of the eye, the projected bearing area of the pins may be calculated as

$$\frac{2,000}{10,000} = 0.2 \text{ in.}^2$$

The minimum width of the eye therefore would be

$$\frac{0.2}{0.5} = 0.4 \text{ in.}$$

By using  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. for the width of the eye, clearance would be provided for machining the faces of the eye.

The dimensions of the strut would be as follows:

Diameter of body of strut.....  $\frac{3}{8}$  in.

For the eye:

Inside diameter.....  $\frac{1}{2}$  in.

Outside diameter..... 1 in.

Width.....  $\frac{1}{2}$  in.

**6-3 Design of cast-iron columns.** Experimental results indicate that for brittle material, a straight-line equation is valid for predicting the failure load. One of these equations giving good results for the safe or

allowable load for a cast-iron column is

$$F_{all} = A \left( 9,000 - 40 \frac{L}{\rho} \right) \quad (6-3)$$

Refer to Art. 6-2 for notation.

**6-4 Factor of safety for column design.** The maximum stress that exists in a column at failure is indeterminate. For this reason it is customary to specify the factor of safety in column design in terms of loads rather than stresses:

$$F_{cr} = f.s. \times F_{all}$$

where  $F_{cr}$  = critical or failure load, lb

$F_{all}$  = allowable or safe load, lb

The value for the factor of safety to be used in design depends on the installation and the service. Where weight must be kept to an absolute

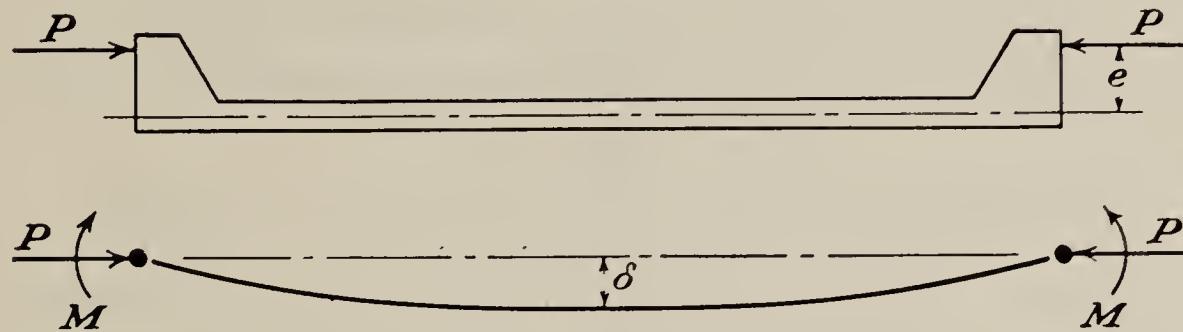


FIG. 6-3. Eccentrically loaded strut.

minimum and the conditions of loading and quality of material are accurately known, a value as low as 1.25 may be used. In the usual application, a value of from 2 to 3 or 4 may be suitable.

**6-5 Beam columns.** Members required to withstand axial loads and transverse loads simultaneously are called *beam columns*. Examples of beam columns are an eccentrically loaded strut, as shown in Fig. 6-3, and an end-supported beam carrying a weight, as shown in Fig. 6-4.

For the eccentrically loaded strut shown in Fig. 6-3, it is apparent that the moment at the ends,  $Pe$ , will cause transverse deflection of the strut. The axial compressive load  $P$  will then have a line of action eccentric to the strut by an amount  $\delta$  at the center. This force and distance in turn induce an additional bending moment on the beam. The magnitude of the moment therefore depends on the deflection of the structure, which in turn is related to the loading. This interrelation makes the determination of the moment difficult; however, if the moment is known, then the maximum stress may be determined from

$$s = \frac{P}{A} + \frac{Mc}{I} \quad (6-4)$$

where  $P$  = axial load, lb

$A$  = area of cross section, in.<sup>2</sup>

$\frac{I}{c}$  = section modulus, in.<sup>3</sup>

$M$  = maximum bending moment due to combined axial and transverse loads acting simultaneously, in.-lb

It is usually difficult to determine the bending moment  $M$  analytically. Tabulations of some of these bending moments are available for various combinations of bending.<sup>1</sup>

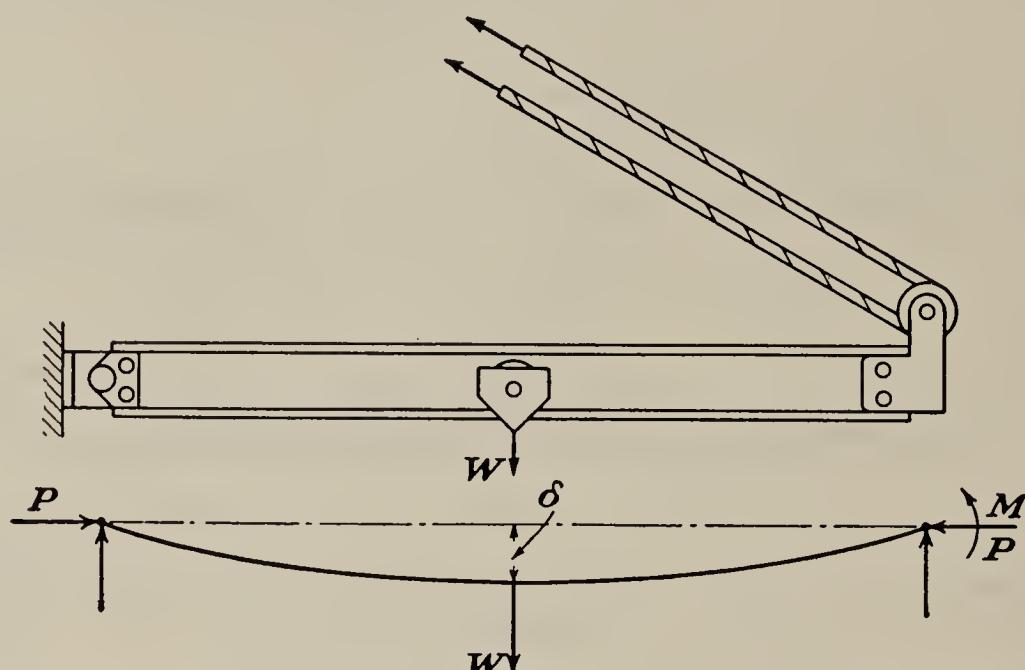


FIG. 6-4. Beam with transverse and axial loading.

One case of particular interest is the eccentrically loaded strut in Fig. 6-3. From the consideration of the equilibrium of a strut with axial loads applied eccentrically, the deflection at the center can be determined, and the moment will be<sup>2</sup>

$$M = Pe \sec \frac{L}{2\rho} \sqrt{\frac{P}{EA}} \quad (6-5)$$

where  $P$  = axial compressive load, lb

$e$  = eccentricity of axial load from centroid of section, in.

$L$  = length of strut, in.

$\rho$  = radius of gyration of cross section, in.

$A$  = area of cross section, in.<sup>2</sup>

$E$  = modulus of elasticity of material, psi

<sup>1</sup> R. J. Roark, "Formulas for Stress and Strain," 3d ed., McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1954.

<sup>2</sup> Timoshenko and MacCullough, "Elements of Strength of Materials," 3d ed., p. 309, D. Van Nostrand Company, Inc., New York, 1949.

The stress at the center of the beam from Eqs. (6-4) and (6-5) is

$$\begin{aligned} s &= \frac{P}{A} + \frac{Pec}{I} \sec \frac{L}{2\rho} \sqrt{\frac{P}{EA}} \\ &= \frac{P}{A} \left( 1 + \frac{ec}{\rho^2} \sec \frac{L}{2\rho} \sqrt{\frac{P}{EA}} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (6-6)$$

For the beam with a central transverse load and an axial compressive load as shown in Fig. 6-4, the bending moment at the center is<sup>1</sup>

$$M = \frac{WL}{4} - \frac{\tan U}{U}$$

where  $U = \frac{\pi}{2} \sqrt{\frac{P}{F}}$

$F$  = critical load from Euler's equation, lb

$L$  = length of beam, in.

$W$  = transverse load, lb

The stress in this case becomes from Eq. (6-4)

$$s = \frac{P}{A} + \frac{WcL}{4I} - \frac{\tan U}{U} \quad (6-7)$$

**6-6 Design of beam columns—approximate method.** With the exception of long, slender beam columns in which the deflections are relatively large because of the combined axial and transverse loads, it is sometimes feasible to approximate the bending moment  $M$  due to these loads for substitution in Eq. (6-4) in order to determine the maximum stress.

A formula<sup>2</sup> giving sufficient accuracy is where  $M_1$  equals the maximum bending moment due to the transverse loads alone, and  $\beta$  is a coefficient depending on the method of loading and the kind of supports:

$$M = \frac{M_1}{1 - (\beta PL^2/EI)} \quad (6-8)$$

*Loading*

$\beta$

Cantilever, end load.....	$\frac{1}{3}$
Cantilever, uniform load.....	$\frac{1}{4}$
Simply supported, center load.....	$\frac{1}{12}$
Simply supported, uniform load.....	$\frac{5}{48}$
Fixed ends, center load.....	$\frac{1}{24}$
Fixed ends, uniform load.....	$\frac{1}{32}$

<sup>1</sup> S. Timoshenko, "Theory of Elastic Stability," p. 5, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1936.

<sup>2</sup> Maurer and Withey, "Strength of Materials," 2d ed., John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1940.

For the case shown in Fig. 6-4, the equation for the maximum stress becomes

$$s = \frac{P}{A} + \frac{c}{I} \left[ \frac{WL}{4 - (PL^2/3EI)} \right] \quad (6-9)$$

When the axial and bending loads are known for a beam column, the maximum stress can be determined. It is apparent, however, that the induced stress is not directly proportional to the applied loads. Hence, in using the factor of safety, it is necessary to determine the critical values of the axial load and bending load and to apply these critical loads to Eq. (6-9) as follows:

$$P_{cr} = f.s. \times P$$

$$W_{cr} = f.s. \times W$$

and

$$s_{cr} = s_y = \frac{(f.s.)P}{A} + \frac{c}{I} \left\{ \frac{(f.s.)WL}{4 - [(f.s.)PL^2]/3EI} \right\} \quad (6-10)$$

The determination of the dimensions of the required section is a matter of trial and error.

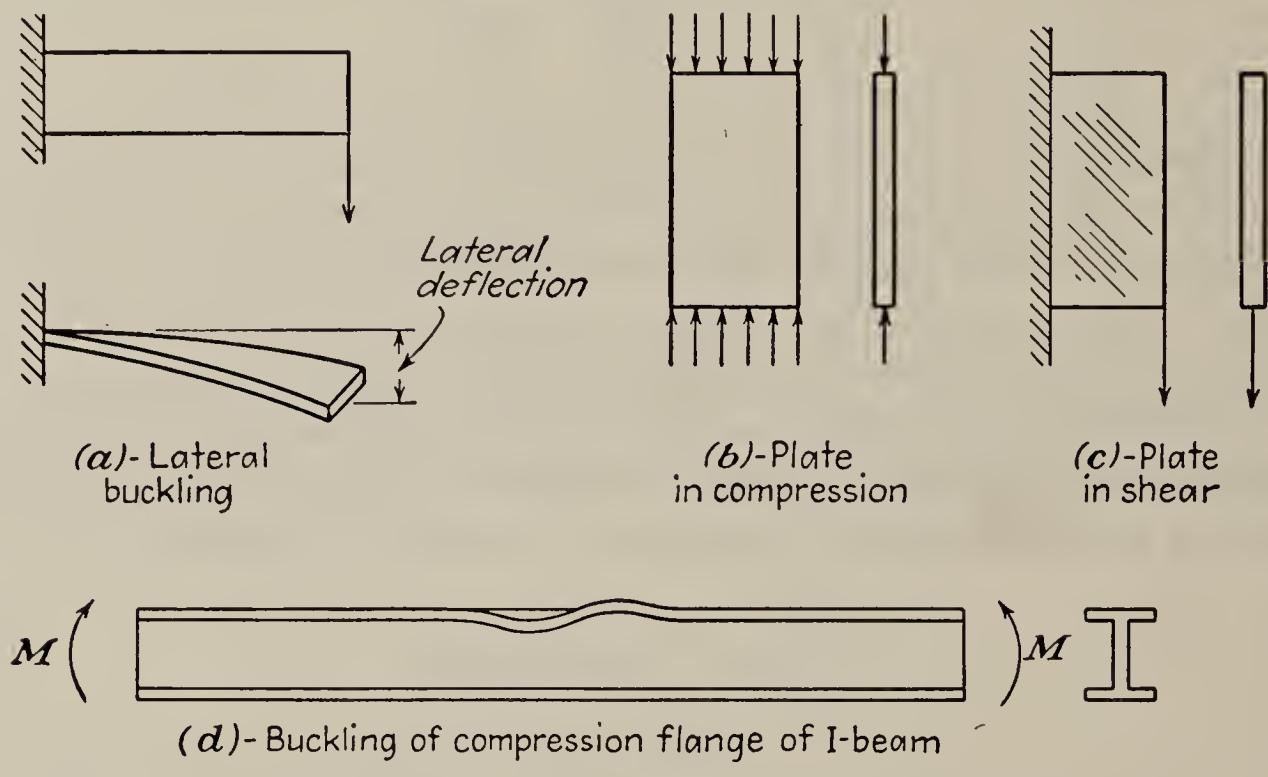


FIG. 6-5. Failures by elastic stability.

**6-7 Flat plates.** Flat plates subjected to bending, compression loading, or shear loading in the plane of the plate may fail by elastic stability. Examples of this type of failure are shown schematically in Fig. 6-5. The same general principles that apply to the buckling of struts or columns also apply to thin plates. The loading on the member, the type of support, and the class of material (ductile or brittle) of which the member is made determine the mode of failure and the value of the critical loading.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> S. Timoshenko, "Theory of Elastic Stability," McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1936.

In many cases such plates will continue to support an increasing load after buckling has occurred; however, for most designs failure should be based on the load to produce buckling.

The failure of flat plates subjected to loading normal to the surface of the plate is due not to elastic stability but to tension failure.<sup>1</sup>

**6-8 Tubes with external pressure.** Tubes subjected to external pressure may fail by localized buckling. As the external pressure approaches a definite critical value, it is found that the deflections of the walls of the tube increase indefinitely. At the critical value of the pressure, the deflections become very large and the tube tends to collapse.

It was shown in the case of a column subjected to a central compressive load that the critical load depends on several factors, *i.e.*, modulus of elasticity, stress at failure (above or below the proportional limit), and end restraint. These same factors must also be considered in the case of tubes subjected to external pressure. If the walls of the tube are very thin compared with the diameter, then failure by buckling can occur before the proportional limit has been reached. Bryan<sup>2</sup> shows that the pressure to produce buckling is given by

$$p_c = \frac{2Et^3}{(1 - \nu^2)d^3} \quad (6-11)$$

where  $p_c$  = critical pressure, psi

$E$  = modulus of elasticity, psi

$t$  = thickness of tube, in.

$d$  = mean diameter of tube, in.

$\nu$  = Poisson's ratio = 0.29 for steel = 0.34 for brass

This equation for tubes is analogous to the Euler equation for slender struts.

In thick tubes, buckling occurs when the proportional limit is reached. As in the case of columns, it is feasible to determine empirically a formula that represents failure in this range. An equation proposed by Southwell<sup>3</sup> is

$$p_c = \frac{2t}{d} \left[ \frac{s_y}{1 + \frac{s_y(1 - \nu^2)d^2}{Et^2}} \right] \quad (6-12)$$

<sup>1</sup> See R. J. Roark, "Formulas for Stress and Strain," 3d ed., McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1954, for formulas applying to plates subjected to normal loading.

<sup>2</sup> G. H. Bryan, Application of Energy Test to the Collapse of Long Thin Pipe Under External Pressure, *Proc. Cambridge Phil. Soc.*, vol. 6, p. 287, 1888.

<sup>3</sup> R. V. Southwell, On the Collapse of Tubes by External Pressure, *Phil. Mag.*, vol. 29, p. 67, 1915.

Because of lack of uniformity in thickness and perfection of roundness in commercial tubing, it is found that the values in Eq. (6-12) are higher than test values. If Eq. (6-12) is used for the entire range of failure (elastic and plastic), conservative values will result.

Shortening the tube will provide restraint to collapse, and hence increases the critical pressure for the tube. For details of these cases and the code pertaining to their design, the reader is referred to the literature of the subject.<sup>1</sup>

In the design of tubing subjected to external pressure, the factor of safety is used as the ratio of the critical pressure to the operating pressure.

<sup>1</sup> For instance, H. F. Saunders, and D. F. Windenburg, Strength of Thin Cylindrical Shells under External Pressure, *Trans. ASME*, 1931; Proposed Rules for the Construction of Unfired Pressure Vessels Subjected to External Pressure, *Mech. Eng.*, April, 1934, p. 245.

## CHAPTER 7

# ENGINEERING MATERIALS

**7-1 Introduction.** In designing a machine member, the selection of material and the manufacturing process by which the part is to be made should be considered together. For this reason, the mechanical designer should be familiar with such interdependent factors as the adaptability of materials to the various processes, the effects of the processes on the properties of the materials, and the design details involved in the processes. Since the selection of material and the process for each machine member represents a special case involving a large number of variables, comprehensive rules cannot be stated. However, some important general considerations are discussed in this chapter.

The most economical design is arrived at by considering the total cost of labor, materials, and overhead for each of a number of proposed designs that are satisfactory from a technical standpoint.

**7-2 Factors affecting the selection of materials.** Some of the more important economic factors and physical and mechanical properties that are involved in material and process selection are discussed briefly in the following paragraphs.

*Availability and cost* of materials vary continually, and, as the change is toward favorable or unfavorable conditions, designs will necessarily undergo corresponding alterations for economic reasons. At times certain materials may become unavailable for general industrial use, and the necessity may arise for substitute designs based on procurable materials. A forceful example of this expediency occurs during national emergencies when alternate designs are required to avoid the use of strategic materials, as well as processes which are affected by the unavailability of equipment.

*Strength and rigidity* are important properties of materials that are used for machine members. Strength, as measured by the ultimate strength, is necessary to prevent failure of the member by rupture. However, some steels have the desirable property of high ultimate strength coupled with low ductility, which may be undesirable in members subject to stress concentration. The use of high ultimate strength steels should imply carefully controlled heat-treatment to avoid harmful effects, such as those caused by concentration of mass, surface decarburization, and quenching

cracks. To guard against permanent deformation of the member, the *elastic limit* should be considered in design. For ductile materials, the yield point may be used ordinarily instead of the elastic limit.

Rigidity is of importance in members whose deflections are limited. Rigidity depends upon the modulus of elasticity. It should be noted that all steels have practically the same value for the modulus of elasticity. It follows that a change from a soft low-strength steel to a hard high-strength steel will not materially alter the rigidity of the part. It may also be noted that a member made of cast iron will generally be more rigid than a member of *equal load-carrying ability* made of steel, since the larger size required for the cast-iron member will more than compensate for its lower modulus of elasticity.

*Resistance to fatigue* should be the basis for the design of members that are subjected to cyclic loading. This property is measured by the *endurance limit*. If concentration of stress is present in the member, *notch sensitivity* and *damping capacity* of the material should also be considered. Carefully controlled heat-treatment should be applied to members that are subjected to fatigue in order to avoid harmful surface effects. In some cases, the strength of a member may be increased by grinding off a surface layer after heat-treating.

*Damping capacity* is defined as the energy dissipated as heat by a unit volume of the material during a completely reversed cycle of stress. The specific damping capacity is the percentage of the total energy absorbed during a cycle. The damping capacity is related to internal friction in the material and is represented by the mechanical hysteresis diagram. The diagram in Fig. 7-1<sup>1</sup> shows the specific damping capacities of cast iron, of a carbon steel, and of an alloy steel. It may be noted that the damping capacity depends on the maximum stress. It has been suggested<sup>2</sup> that the significant critical damping capacity for use in design is the value at the endurance limit. The damping capacity is markedly affected by magnetic fields.<sup>3</sup> Low damping capacity is of value when resonance is desired, as in the case of tuning forks, bells, or gongs, but high damping capacity is desirable in most machine members to prevent an accumulation of serious resonant stresses, to decrease vibration, to decrease chatter as in machine tools, or to decrease noise.

*Resilience* should be considered when the material is subjected to shock loading. A material with a suitable yield point should be selected, and

<sup>1</sup> G. S. von Heydenkampf, Damping Capacity of Materials, *Proc. ASTM*, vol. 31, II, p. 157, 1931.

<sup>2</sup> Battelle Memorial Institute, "Prevention of Fatigue of Metals," Appendix 23, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1940.

<sup>3</sup> E. R. Parker, The Influence of Magnetic Fields on Damping Capacity, *Trans. Am. Soc. Metals*, vol. 28, p. 661, 1940.

the member should be designed so as to secure a desirable resilience of the part.

*Hardness and ductility* are important in many members. In bearing surfaces which have relative motion and in which fluid lubrication does not exist, hardness is of importance to limit wear. Hardness and ductility generally have a reciprocal relation in ferrous materials. The latter property is frequently desirable in order to relieve concentration of stress and it is effective in this respect in static loading but not in cyclic loading.

*Weight* may be important; often it is desirable, as in the case of foundations and flywheels; but it is undesirable in other cases, such as aircraft

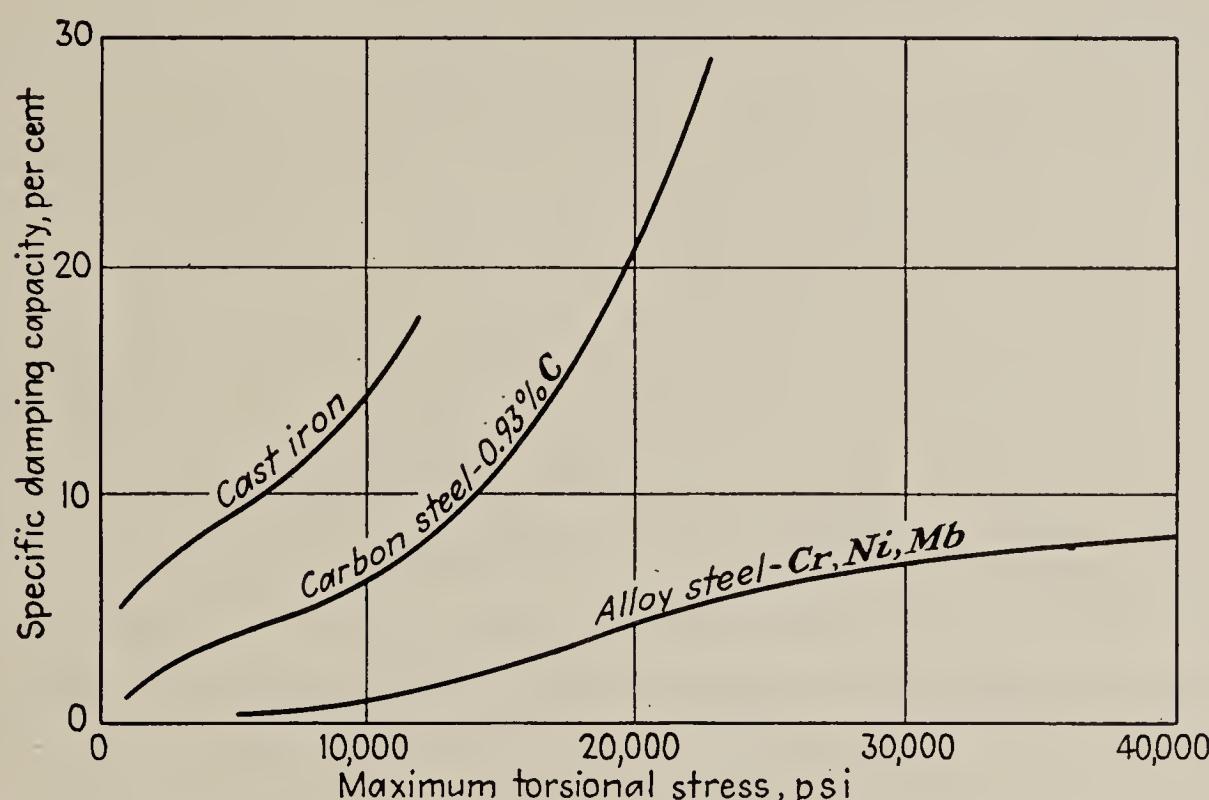


FIG. 7-1. Comparison of damping characteristics for cast iron and two steels.

parts, where light metals, such as aluminum or magnesium alloys, may be used.

*Electrical properties and thermal properties* may be important. The latter property may be involved in expansion or contraction conditions that call for a consideration of the coefficients of expansion.

*Resistance to wear or corrosion* may be determining properties, the former in unlubricated or poorly lubricated friction surfaces. Generally, like materials in contact are not satisfactory for friction surfaces, although there are exceptions. *Corrosion resistance* is important in members subjected to a corrosive environment. The effect of corrosion is especially serious in the presence of stress concentration in cyclic loading.

*Casting and forging characteristics* are important for materials that are used for castings or forgings. Some materials, especially alloy steels, are difficult to cast because of effects of high temperature. *Fluidity* is of importance for good-quality thin sections in castings.

*Machinability* is frequently a critical factor, for instance, in stock for parts made by automatic machine tools. Often an expensive material which is readily machinable is a more economical selection than a lower priced material which may be difficult to machine.

*Low friction* is of importance in bearing materials. The friction conditions are affected by the materials in contact and the surface finish. Certain combinations of materials that are in contact in bearing surfaces produce satisfactory results. This subject is considered in the discussion on bearings.

Friction is desirable in many instances: in friction surfaces of brakes, clutches, and power-transmission belts.

**7-3 Materials.** The more common materials of which machine parts are made are discussed briefly in the following paragraphs. Detailed properties of these materials may be found in publications pertaining to engineering materials and to mechanical design.<sup>1</sup> Appendix V contains data for some of these materials.

*Cast iron* is the cheapest of the cast metals, and in the plain or alloyed state it can be cast into almost any size and form that is desired. The three classes of cast iron are as follows: (1) Gray iron, so called from the gray fracture as cast. Gray iron is easily machinable, but is not as abrasive-wear resistant as chilled iron; it will resist galling wear as in the case of brake shoes, cylinders, and pistons. (2) White iron exhibits a white fracture. It is hard and difficult to machine, and it is usually produced to be made into malleable cast iron. (3) Chilled cast iron is white iron composing parts of castings that are cooled rapidly to provide hard wear-resistant surfaces. The depth of chill can be controlled by composition and heat-treatment. Chilled cast iron is used in such members as dies, car wheels, plow points, and cam followers.

The damping capacity of cast iron is high, as shown by Fig. 7-1. This property makes it suitable for beds, bases, and frames of machinery that are subject to vibration and for crankshafts and camshafts. The effects of mass and cooling rates on the structure and properties of the casting should be considered. In high-temperature applications, change in the physical dimensions known as "creep" and "growth" may be important to consider.

Cast iron is used for cylinder blocks, heads, crank cases, flywheels, crankshafts and camshafts, beds, bases, frames and housings, car wheels, brake drums and shoes, dies, wheels, gears, sprockets, pulleys, rolls, and many other machine parts of irregular form.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> "ASME Handbook, Metals Engineering—Design," Oscar J. Horger (editor), McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1953.

<sup>2</sup> "Cast Metals Handbook," and "Alloy Cast Iron," American Foundrymen's Society, Chicago.

*Malleable iron* is made by transforming white-iron castings, which are originally hard and brittle, by a heat-treatment which converts the material into a matrix of ferrite containing nodules of temper carbon, so that it becomes tough and ductile, resistant to impact, and easily machinable.<sup>1</sup>

*Wrought iron* is a mechanical mixture of highly refined metallic iron and a small quantity of slag. It is resistant to corrosion in ordinary atmospheres, and welds readily. The endurance limit is low as compared with other ferrous materials.

*Cast steel*, either plain or alloyed, is used where castings of improved properties over iron or malleable castings are desired. Cast steel is stronger and tougher, weighs less for the same strength or stiffness, and has a higher endurance limit than cast iron. Corrosion resistance can be improved by the use of alloys or protective coatings. Some of the uses of steel castings are as bases for heavy-duty machinery, highly stressed castings, frames for transportation and construction equipment, gears, wheels, and many small and intricate highly stressed machine parts.<sup>2</sup>

*Wrought steel* in its various forms is commonly used for machine parts. Its applications range from members subjected to mild service, where low-carbon steel having relatively low strength is satisfactory, to members subjected to severe conditions of loading and environment where high-carbon steel or alloy steel is used. It is important to consider that the necessity for proper heat-treatment increases with the carbon and alloy content of steel. The mechanical properties may be markedly controlled by the composition and heat-treatment, and the selection problem is usually one of choosing from the large number of available steels the one that is most satisfactory for the member being designed.

The common alloying elements used in steel are manganese, nickel, chromium, molybdenum, vanadium, and wolfram (tungsten). Nickel increases the strength, yield point, endurance limit, shock resistance, and hardness without a corresponding loss in ductility.

Wrought steel may be forged, swaged, rolled, drawn, and welded, and it is especially susceptible to machining and finishing. It finds innumerable applications in members subjected to high stresses due to external loads either static or cyclic, to shock loading, or to stress concentration, and in parts subjected to wear, high or low temperature, or corrosion; it is also used in applications where special properties, such as electrical or thermal requirements, are involved and where space and weight must be conserved.

<sup>1</sup> See "American Malleable Iron Handbook," Malleable Founders' Society, Cleveland.

<sup>2</sup> See "Steel Castings Handbook," Steel Founders' Society of America, and "Cast Metals Handbook," American Foundrymen's Society, for information regarding cast steel.

Some applications of steel in machinery parts are in crankshafts, connecting rods, piston rods, fastenings, keys, pins, rivets and bolts, ball and roller bearings, springs, shafting, gears, valves, frames of heavy stationary and transportation equipment, tubes, levers, arms, dies, and rolls.<sup>1</sup>

*Brass and bronze* are used in machinery parts in both cast and wrought form. Brass is used where moderate strength and ductility, resistance to corrosion, or good wearing qualities are desired. Bronze is superior to brass in these properties but is more expensive. Phosphor bronze has relatively high tensile strength, yield point, endurance limit, and shock-resistant properties.

*Aluminum and aluminum alloys.* Pure aluminum resists oxidation, is highly ductile, and has good forming properties, but it has poor casting characteristics and machining properties. The effects of copper as an alloying element are to raise the ultimate strength and endurance limit and to improve the casting characteristics and machinability, but to lower its resistance to corrosion. Aluminum-copper alloys are used in such applications as crankcases, transmission housings, and fittings. The aluminum-silicon alloys have better corrosion resistance and mechanical properties but poorer machinability than aluminum-copper alloys. They are suitable for marine castings, water jackets, housings, and castings where a minimum of machining is required.

The aluminum-copper-magnesium-manganese alloy known as "duralumin" is suitable for parts that require severe working, and it has good corrosion resistance and strength. It is obtainable in sheets, plates, tubes, rods, wire, extruded sections, bolts, and rivets. The plates are well adapted to spot welding and are widely used in aircraft construction.

*Nonmetallic materials.* *Wood* has some uses in machine members, it is used where lightweight parts subjected to moderate shock loading are required, as in circuit-breaker operating rods, or where a nonmetallic bearing material is desirable, such as lignum vitae in water-lubricated bearings, and it is used in impregnated friction surfaces, as in wood-block brakes.

*Rubber* and similar synthetic materials such as Neoprene have a variety of applications in machinery. Rubber should be protected from high temperature, oil, and sunlight. It is an excellent material for seals and diaphragms, for water-lubricated bearings, for parts subjected to vibratory forces (such as vibration mountings, flexible couplings, and flexible bearings), and for tubes and hose. Rubber may be bonded to steel by the use of an intermediate nickel plating.

*Plastics* have become available for many machine parts. In general, the plastics are light in weight, hard, and insoluble, are nonconductors of

<sup>1</sup> Two sources of considerable information on steel useful to designers are the "SAE Handbook," Society of Automotive Engineers, and "Nickel Alloy Steels," The International Nickel Co., Inc.

electricity and have a high damping capacity. They may be molded into shapes for small bases, housings, knobs and handles, or bonded with a filler, such as paper or fabric, to be made into sheets, bars, and tubes, most of which are readily machinable.

Laminated bakelite, Micarta, and celoron are used extensively for lightly loaded gears where quietness is desired. The plastic gears are usually mated with cast-iron gears. This type of plastic is also used as bushings for bearings. Molded nylon is finding increased use for small gears, bearings, friction inserts, and many applications where low wear and friction are desirable.

**7-4 Mechanical properties of materials. SAE numbering system.** The numbers for materials are given in Table 7-1.

TABLE 7-1

Material	Number
Carbon steels.....	1XXX
Plain carbon.....	10XX
Free machining.....	11XX
Manganese (intermediate).....	13XX
Nickel.....	2XXX
3.5% Ni.....	23XX
5.0% Ni.....	25XX
Nickel-chromium.....	3XXX
1.25% Ni, 0.75% Cr.....	31XX
3.5% Ni, 1.50% Cr.....	33XX
Corrosion and scale-resistant.....	30XXX
Molybdenum.....	4XXX
C-Mo.....	40XX
Cr-Mo.....	41XX
Ni-Cr-Mo.....	43XX
Ni-Mo (1.75% Ni).....	46XX
Ni-Mo (3.50% Ni).....	48XX
Chromium.....	5XXX
Low Cr (0.5% Cr).....	50XX
Med Cr (1.0% Cr).....	51XX
Chromium-vanadium.....	6XXX
Cr 1%.....	61XX
Triple-alloy steels	
0.55% Ni, 0.50% Cr, 0.20% Mo.....	86XX
0.55% Ni, 0.50% Cr, 0.25% Mo.....	87XX
3.25% Ni, 1.20% Cr, 0.12% Mo.....	93XX
1.00% Ni, 0.80% Cr, 0.25% Mo.....	98XX
Silicon manganese	
2% Si.....	92XX
Boron	
0.0005% B (min).....	XXBXX

*Properties of steel.* The selection of a definite steel for a particular application involves the consideration of the service requirements for the

part, availability of the material, and the combined cost of the material and processing of the part. Normally the designer may select for many parts plain carbon steel on account of its low cost, ease of fabrication, and any necessary heat-treatment. If the service requirements are severe, it may be necessary to select alloy steel to secure higher strength, greater hardenability, greater ductility, resistance to shock loading, and/or better

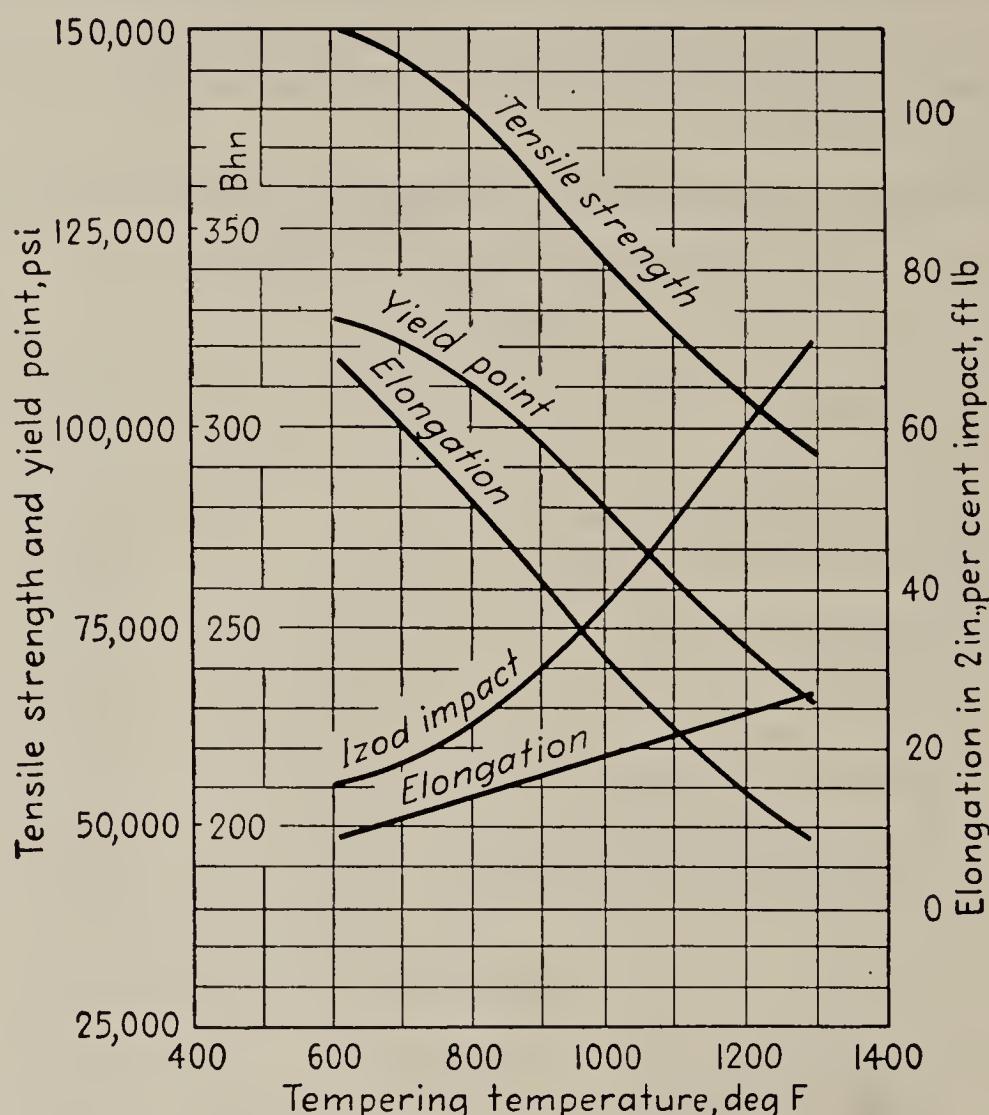


FIG. 7-2. Mechanical properties of SAE 1045 steel, water-quenched. (Courtesy of International Nickel Co., Inc.)

machinability. The choice of alloy steel, however, will have the disadvantages of higher cost of material, more exacting heat-treatment, and the possibility of temper brittleness in some grades.

The relative costs of steel are roughly as follows, taking hot-rolled plain-carbon steel bars as a basis: hot-rolled alloy steel, 60 per cent greater; cold-finished plain-carbon steel, 30 per cent greater; and cold-finished alloy steel, 85 per cent greater.

Steel with less than 0.30 to 0.35 per cent carbon will not have its properties altered materially by heat treating. With higher carbon content, the effects of heat treating are illustrated by the sample chart (Fig. 7-2) which shows that with low tempering temperature, the tensile strength, yield point, and hardness are high but ductility and resistance to impact

are low.<sup>1</sup> On the basis of service requirements the designer can select the optimum tempering temperature.

Oil quenching is not as drastic as water quenching and gives lower strength and hardness but with less distortion of the part (Fig. 7-3).

The size of the part affects markedly its tensile properties, as shown by the sample chart Fig. 7-4. For the yield point of several carbon and alloy steels, see Appendix VIII.

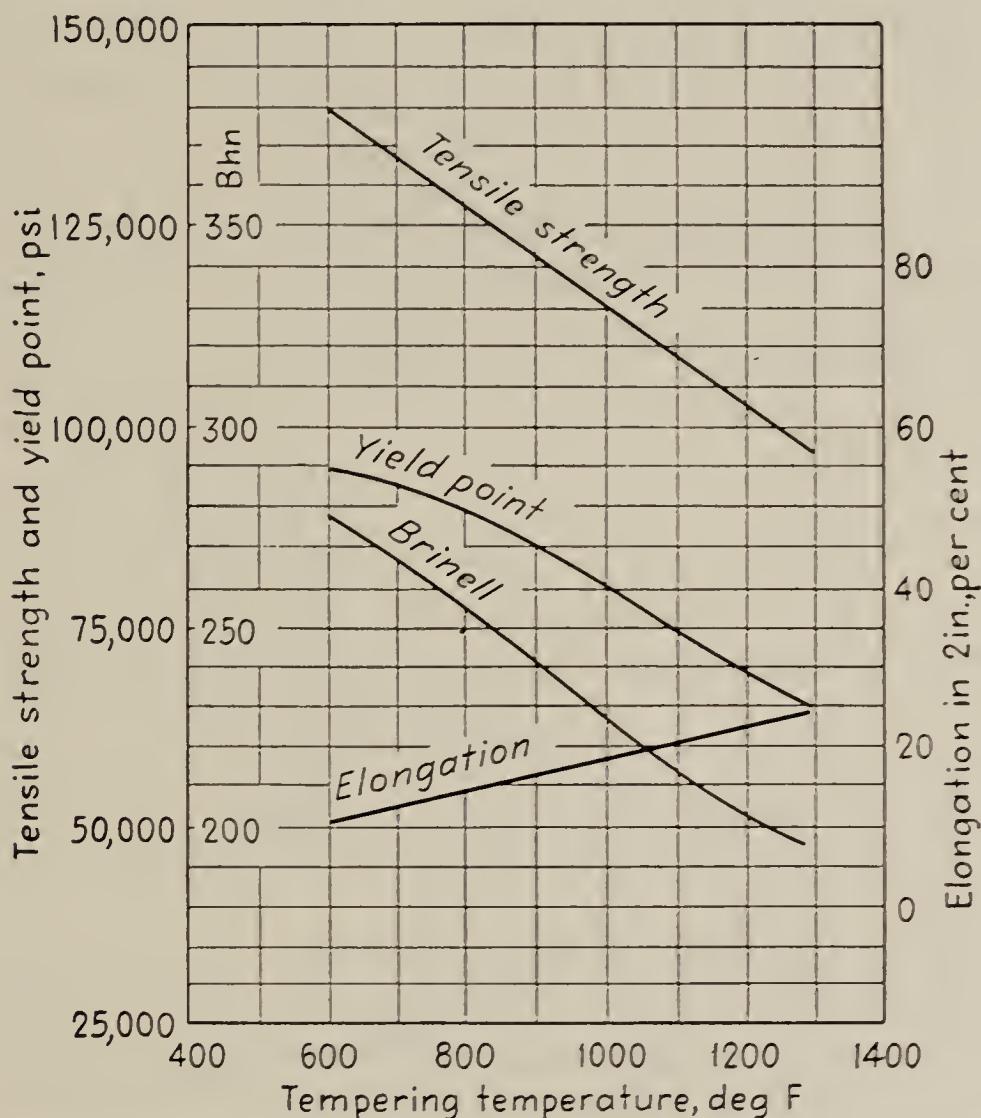


FIG. 7-3. Mechanical properties of SAE 1045 steel, oil-quenched. (Courtesy of International Nickel Co., Inc.)

If hardenability is a factor for wear resistance, plain carbon steel with casehardening may be suitable, or if surface requirements are severe for resistance to shock and high pressure, a steel of the hardenable class called *H* steels may be necessary. Hardenability curves for selecting these steels are available which give results of standard end-quench tests and are expressed as shown in the sample graph (Fig. 7-5). These curves are presently available for about a hundred steels from 1320H to 9445H.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> In comparing impact values between the Charpy keyhole notch and the Izod V notch, it is well to remember that the former usually lies between 15 and 45, while for the Izod test values are frequently over 100.

<sup>2</sup> For a set of compositions and hardenability bands for the H steels, refer to the "SAE Handbook," "AISI Steel Products Manual," or "Physical Metallurgy" by Clark and Varney.

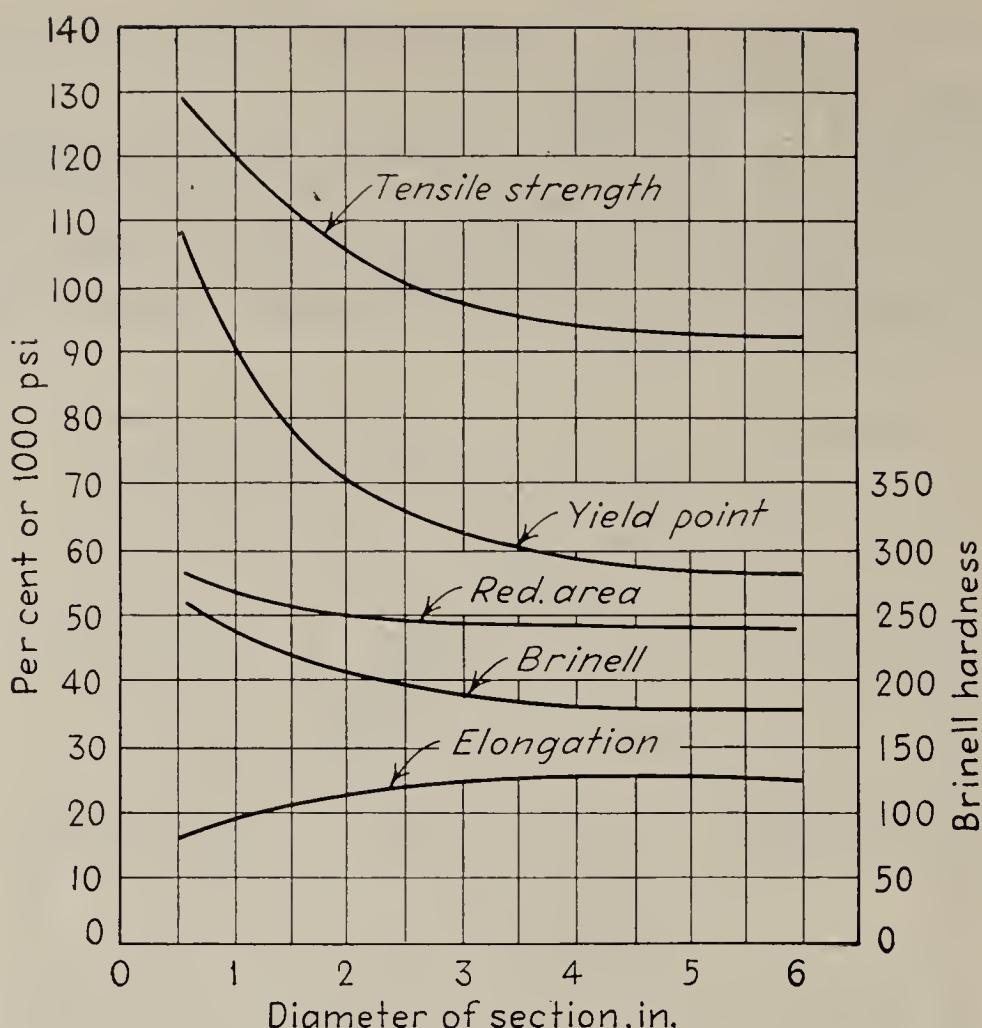


FIG. 7-4. Effect of size on properties of SAE 1045 steel. (Courtesy of International Nickel Co., Inc.)

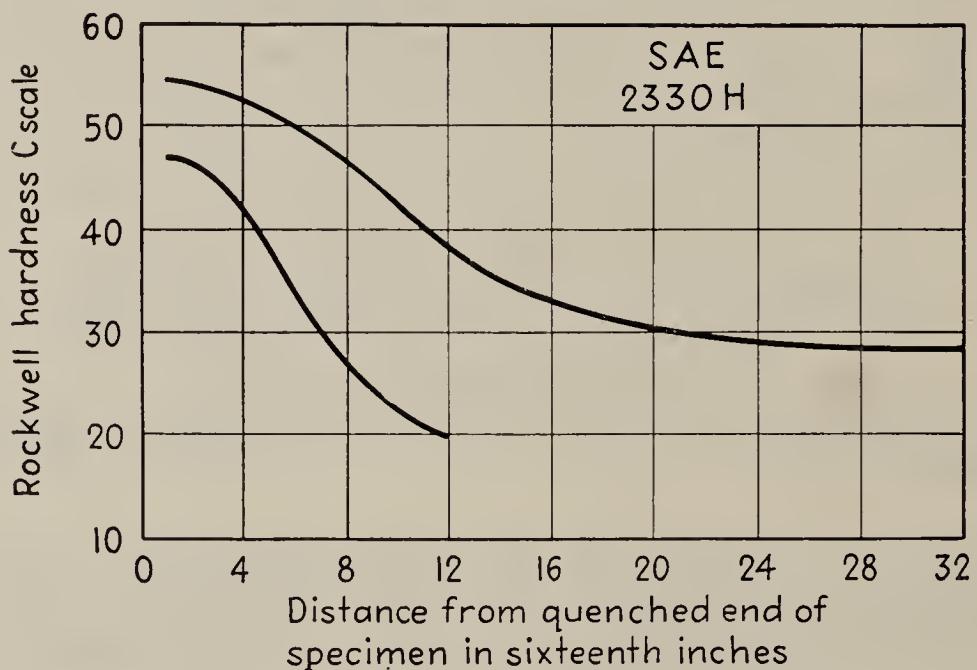


FIG. 7-5. Hardenability band for SAE 2330H steel. (Courtesy of Society of Automotive Engineers.)

In specifying hardenability, the maximum and minimum hardness values at a definite distance from the end of the test bar may be stated. The distance chosen would be that corresponding to the section used in making the part. For example, in Fig. 7-5, the specifications  $J_{4\frac{1}{16}} = \frac{4}{16}$  in. means that at  $\frac{4}{16}$  in. from the end of the control specimen the hardness by a Jominy test for SAE 2330H steel would lie between the limits of 42 and 53 Rockwell C.

In determining strength properties for steel to use in design calculations, the yield point can be determined from Appendix VIII. The tensile strength can be estimated from the diagram in Appendix VI, and the endurance limit from the curves in Appendix VII for the required surface finish. See Example 7-1 for the procedure.

For steel, the ultimate strength in shear is approximately two-thirds the ultimate strength in tension. There is no general relation to determine the yield point in shear but it may be approximated from the values given in Table 7-2. The shear values in this table were determined from torsion tests.

TABLE 7-2. YIELD RATIOS OF SOME STEELS\*

SAE No.	Condition	Ratio $\frac{\text{yield point in torsion}}{\text{yield point in tension}}$
1010	Normalized	0.70
1020	Normalized	0.71
1030	Normalized	0.62
1040	Normalized	0.62
1095	Normalized	0.62
2350	Annealed	0.78
3140	Quenched and tempered	0.68

\* From "The Torsional and Shear Properties of Quenched and Tempered Nickel Alloy Steels in Different Sizes," The International Nickel Company, Inc., New York, 1949.

In the absence of more specific data, the endurance limit in shear may be estimated for design purposes by multiplying the endurance limit in flexure by 0.55 for carbon steels and by 0.58 for alloy steels. Appendix V gives some properties of steel and nonferrous materials.

EXAMPLE 7-1. Determine the yield points and endurance limits for SAE 1045 steel, oil-quenched and tempered at 900 F, assuming that the parts are in the size range  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. with machined surfaces.

From Appendix VIII,

$$s_y = 86,000 \text{ psi}$$

From Appendix VI,

$$s_t = 115,000 \text{ psi}$$

From Table 7-2,

$$s_y \text{ in shear} = 0.62 \times 86,000 = 53,000 \text{ psi}$$

From Appendix VII,

$$s_e \text{ in tension} = 41,000 \text{ psi}$$

$$s_e \text{ in shear} = 0.55 \times 41,000 = 22,500 \text{ psi}$$

*Machinability.* From the standpoint of production cost, a paramount property of the material is its machinability. This property at present

cannot be directly measured in units;<sup>1</sup> but it can be satisfactorily expressed as a combined result of three factors: (a) tool life, (b) quality of the machined surface, and (c) required cutting power. It turns out that the most significant of these factors is tool life, since long tool life usually goes hand in hand with good surface quality and low cutting power. A useful measure of tool life is the volume of material which is removed from the parts being machined before the tool becomes dull and must be reground. It becomes necessary then to establish a criterion for a dull tool.

In a cutting tool, wear occurs chiefly along the tool flank at the side cutting edge. This wears away the side relief adjacent to the cutting edge and produces what is called a *wear land*. When the wear land becomes large, the power required increases, the surface finish becomes poor, and tool wear is accelerated. Thus, an arbitrary value can be assigned to the *width* of the wear land (perpendicular to the side cutting edge) and the volume of metal removed from the parts being machined can be used as an expression of "machinability."

Cutting tools made of high-speed steels have been run satisfactorily until the wear land was as much as 0.060 in. and carbide tools to 0.030 in. To obtain comparative values of machinability for different metals, a standard wear land may be set for a series of tests and the volume of metal removed may be used as a basis for comparing the machinability of various metals. In the "U.S. Air Force Machinability Report,"<sup>2</sup> a wear land of 0.015 in. was selected for most of the tests. In production, carbide tools can be run with over twice this amount of wear land.

To pass on to the part being machined, it has been demonstrated that machinability of steel is governed more by its microstructure than by any other characteristic. The chart in Fig. 7-6 was prepared from U.S. Air Force test data using 70B carbide cutting tools, a widely used type, with a limiting wear land of 0.0150 in. These data had little scatter, but similar results secured by using tools made of high-speed steel show more spread than with carbide tools.

In design of heavily loaded parts for production in large quantities, the problem is to select a material and heat-treatment to satisfy the loading requirements and then to determine the probable microstructure of the part to use in determining the machining requirements. Often the

<sup>1</sup> The state of our present knowledge of machinability recalls the statement: "I often say that when you can measure what you are speaking about, and can express it in numbers, you know something about it; but when you cannot measure it, when you cannot express it in numbers, your knowledge is of a meagre and unsatisfactory kind; it may be the beginning of knowledge, but you have scarcely, in your thoughts, advanced to the stage of *Science*, whatever the matter may be." Lord Kelvin (1824-1907).

<sup>2</sup> "United States Air Force Machinability Report," Curtiss-Wright Corp., Wood Ridge, N.J., vol. 1, 1950; vol. 2, 1951.

machining requirements and strength requirements call for a compromise in selection of material and its heat-treatment.

There are also available in tables relative machinability values for various materials in terms of their chemical composition and Brinell hard-

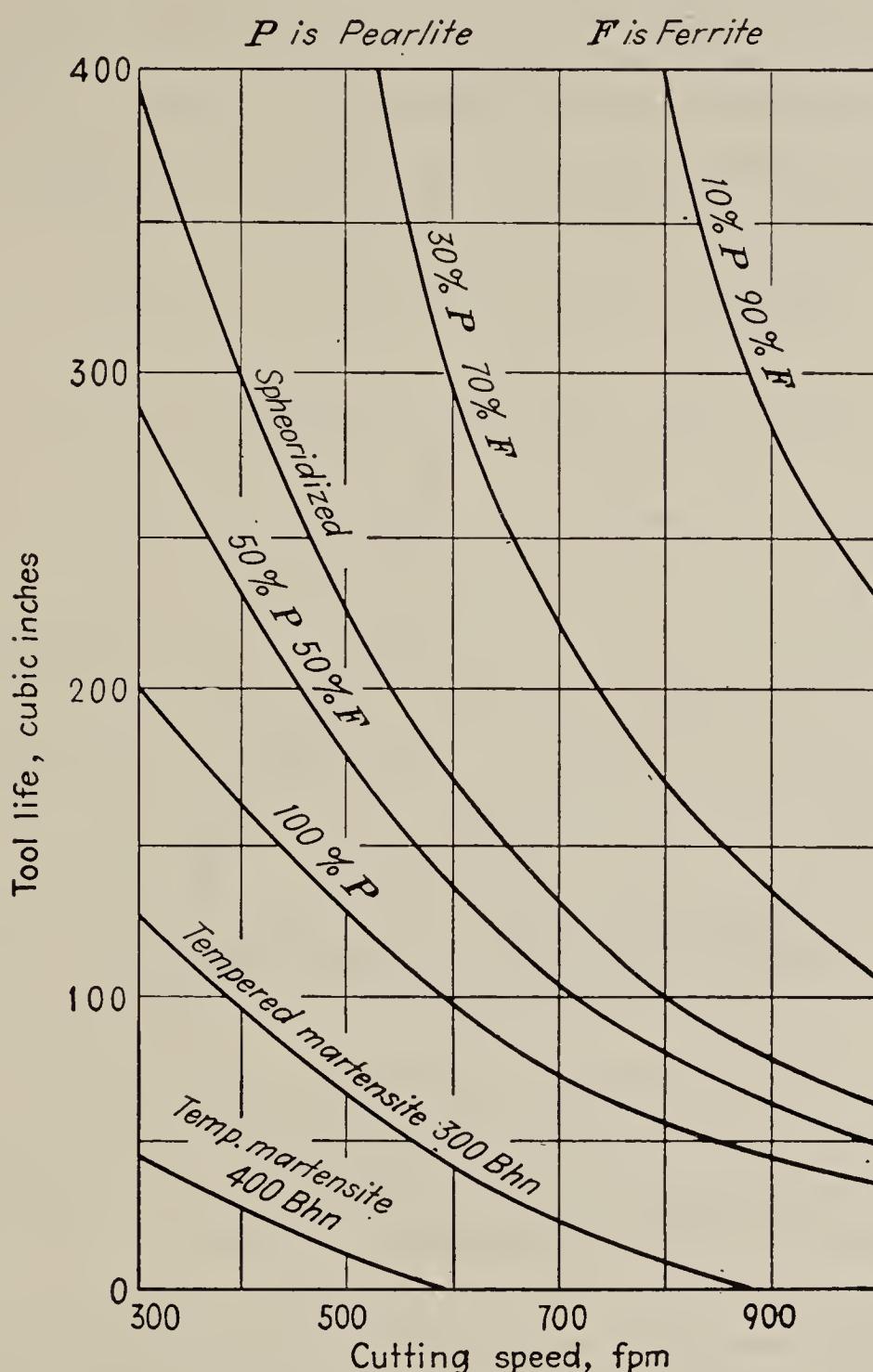


FIG. 7-6. Tool life versus cutting speed. Tool 78B carbide. Wear land 0.015 in. Depth of cut 0.100 in. (From "United States Air Force Machinability Report," Curtiss-Wright Corp., vol. 2, 1951.)

ness numbers.<sup>1</sup> These values are usually stated in terms of 100 for SAE 1112 (free machining), with lower values for poorer machining materials. However, machinability cannot be predicted accurately by chemical composition and Brinell hardness numbers alone. When production cost is critical, efforts should be made to select cutting tools and speeds on the

<sup>1</sup> Kent's "Mechanical Engineers' Handbook, Design and Production," 12th ed., pp. 19-30, John Wiley & Sons., Inc., New York, 1950.

basis of microstructure. The Air Force report referred to includes a large number of charts of tool life and cutting time versus cutting speed for a variety of carbon and alloy steels represented by their composition, heat-treatment, and microstructures.

*High-temperature applications.* Because of the increase in efficiency at high operating temperatures of heat engines as steam and gas turbines and turbosuperchargers and of processing equipment as cracking stills, it has become necessary to develop materials which will have the required properties at these temperatures. The loss of strength in a carbon steel

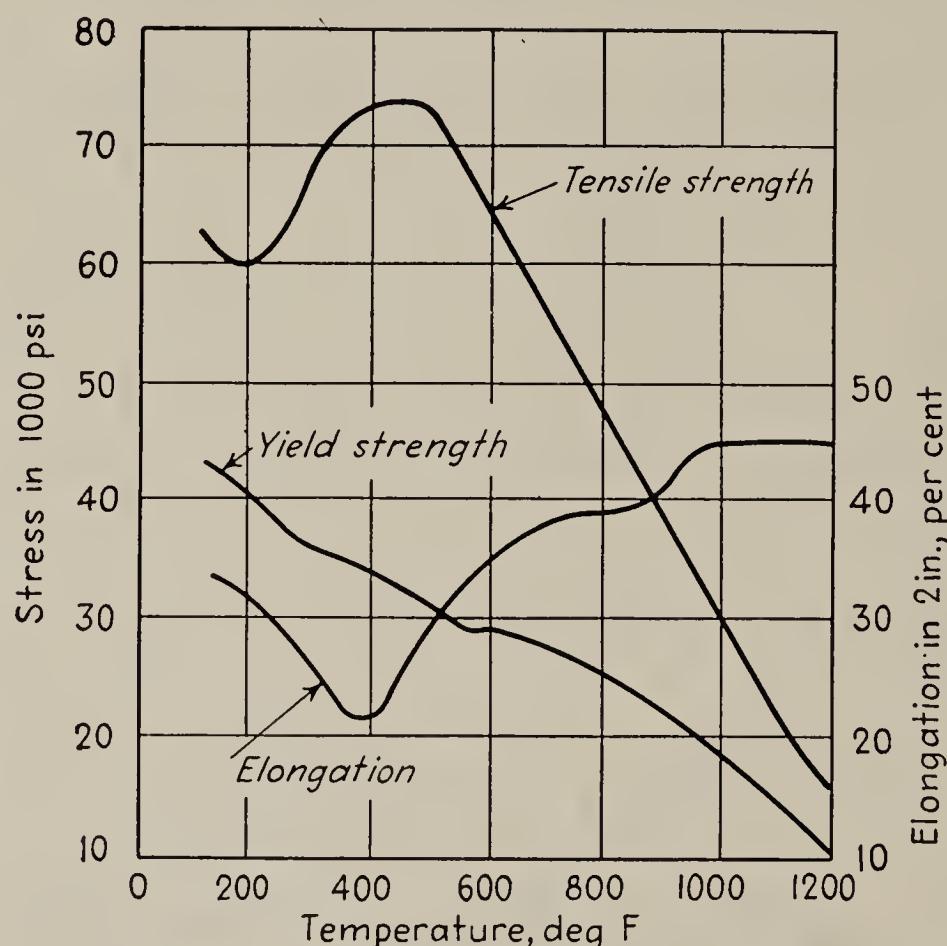


FIG. 7-7. Short-time tensile properties of forging steel. Effect of temperature on the properties of metals. (ASME-ASTM Symposium, 1931.)

at high temperatures is shown in Fig. 7-7, which indicates the inadequacy of this steel for high-temperature service. While considerable progress has been made in recent years in developing heat-resistant alloys and refractory metals, the frontiers of applications in the high-temperature, high-efficiency field is limited by available materials to retain strength and dimensions at the high temperatures. At present the maximum temperature in steam- and gas-turbine casings is limited to about 1000 F, although experimental work is in the 1400 to 1600 F and higher areas.

It is significant that at the operating temperatures of high-temperature steam turbines and of gas turbines, the blades are of red-white heat and their strength, if made of ordinary steel, would be less than of cast iron at room temperature.

In addition to the loss of strength at high temperatures, steel and other metals exhibit the phenomenon of *creep*, which is the gradual elongation of the entire member at high temperatures over a long period of time. High temperatures and high stresses increase the creep rate so that at high temperatures we must limit the stress so that the part will not elongate beyond a certain amount over a desired life of the machine or equipment. For instance, a turbine blade may be designed with an

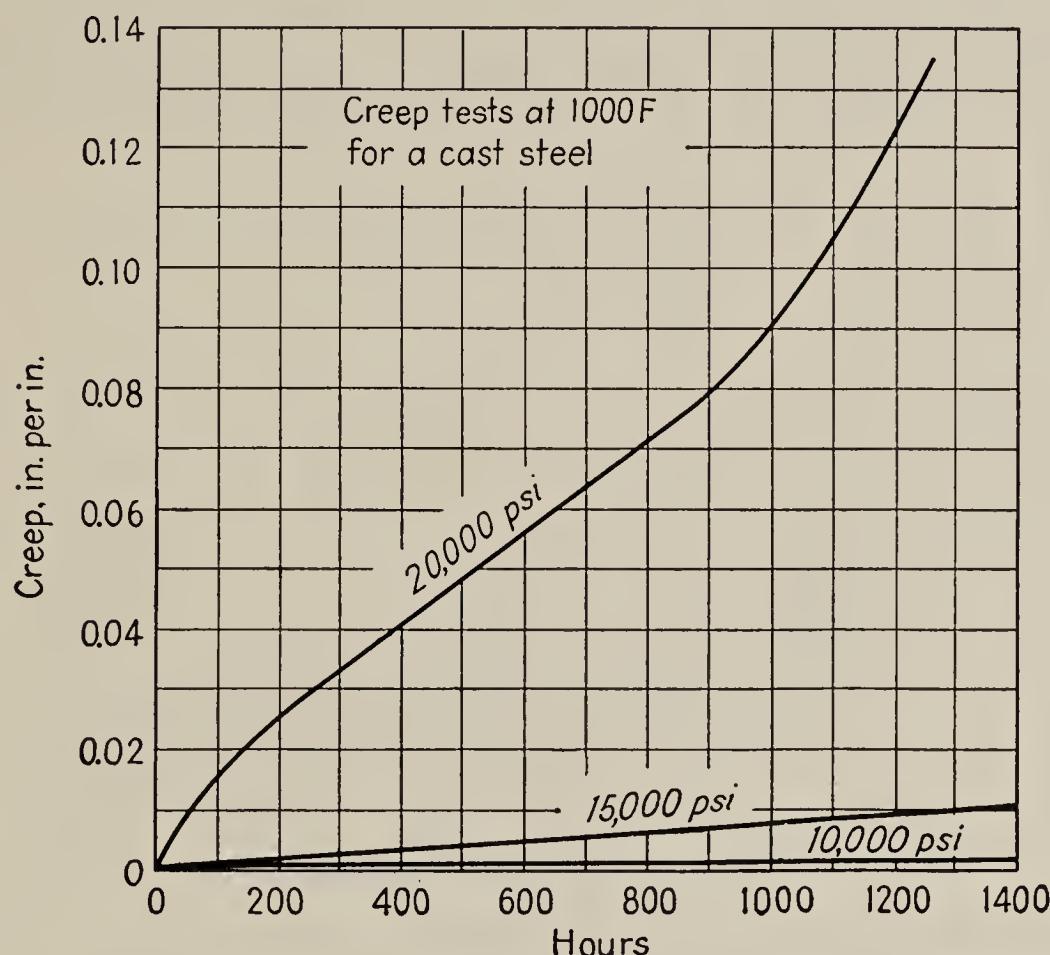


FIG. 7-8. Tensile creep curves for high and low stress.

allowable stress which will limit the total creep of the blade to not over 0.01 in. in 25 years. In Fig. 7-8 is shown the form of creep curves. In the use of creep data, it should be remembered that extrapolation of the curves may be unreliable. This poses a problem since if we are designing a unit for a life of 10 years, or 87,600 hr, we cannot wait that long to conduct long-time creep tests; instead we may be forced to make judicious use of short-time tests.

In Fig. 7-9 is shown a series of creep-design curves for a carbon steel. For extensive data on the properties of metal at elevated temperatures, see the references below.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Donald S. Clark and Wilbur R. Varney, "Physical Metallurgy for Engineers," D. Van Nostrand Company, Inc., New York, 1953; Carl H. Samans, "Engineering Metals and Their Alloys," The Macmillan Company, New York, 1949; G. V. Smith, "Properties of Metals at Elevated Temperatures," McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1950; "The Nickel Alloy Steels Handbook," International Nickel Co., Inc., New York; Samuel L. Hoyt, "Metal Data," Reinhold Publishing Corporation, New York, 1952.

A classic example of creep is that of a sheet-lead roof originally  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. thick and weighing 16 lb per sq ft which was placed as a cover on the roof of the Cathedral of St. Maurice at Angers, France, completed in 1247. The thickness of the lead at the ridge is now  $\frac{1}{3}2$  in., while at the eaves it has gathered into folds 10 in. high.<sup>1</sup>

At low temperatures, down to at least -125 F the strength, elastic properties, and endurance limit of steel are increased and the ductility changes little, but the notched-bar impact values usually decrease markedly, which indicates brittleness. This change in property is important in the design of low-temperature processing and refrigerating equipment and

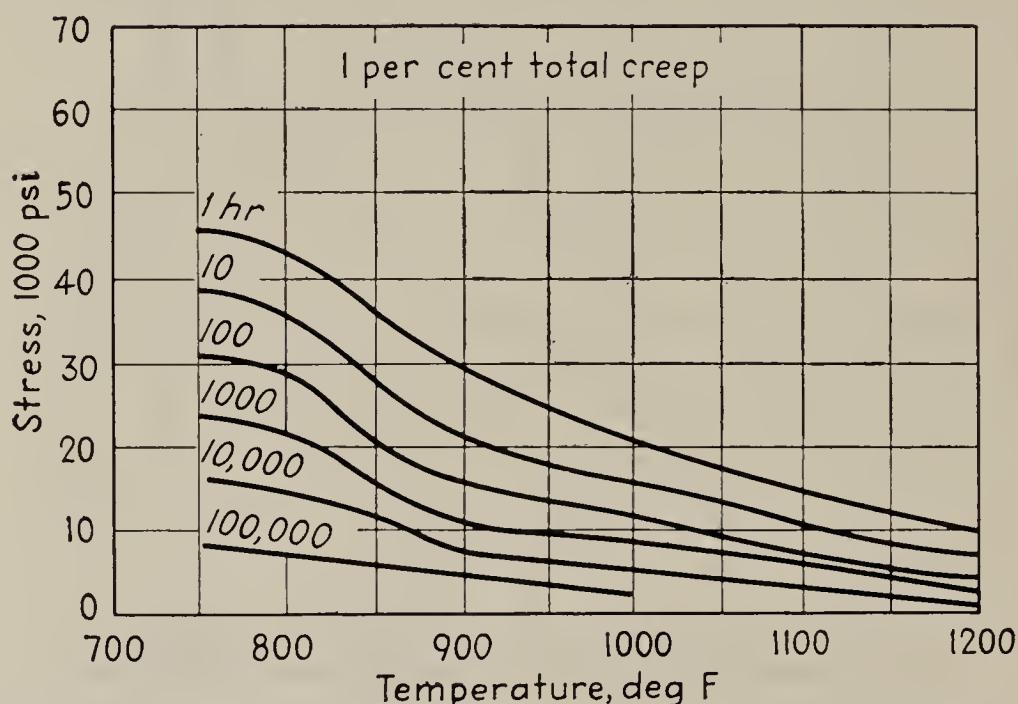


FIG. 7-9. Creep data for annealed cast carbon steel. (Courtesy of The Crane Company.)

also in low ambient temperature applications as railroad and ordnance equipment and in airplanes. Maximum resistance to this embrittlement is secured with low carbon content but this of course reduces the strength. The addition of nickel as an alloying element toughens steel markedly at low temperatures in both cast and wrought steels (see Fig. 7-10).

**7-5 Selection of steel.** *Low-carbon steel.* Steel with less than 0.20 per cent carbon has high ductility, is rolled or stamped, and is suitable for sheet or strip products. Structural steel and boiler plate is usually of 0.15 to 0.25 per cent carbon. SAE 1015 to 1020 steel is known as carburizing grade; it may be formed cold and when carburized has good wear characteristics. SAE 1020 steel finds wide use in cold-worked parts as bolts and rivets and cold-drawn parts as bars and shafting. It provides a good finish for this class of parts. SAE 1022 to 1024 steel is used for heavier sections such as forged parts and may be readily welded and brazed.

<sup>1</sup> From *Product Eng.*, June, 1941, p. 293.

Medium-carbon steel is of 0.30 to 0.83 per cent carbon. SAE 1030 to 1035 steel has lower ductility than the low-carbon grade but it responds to heat-treatment. It may be forged cold for small forgings for connecting rods, shafts, and bar stock. SAE 1040 steel finds extensive use for tubing, automotive bolts, connecting rods, and crankshafts. SAE 1050 steel is harder and is usually oil-quenched. It is used for gears and heavy steel forgings.

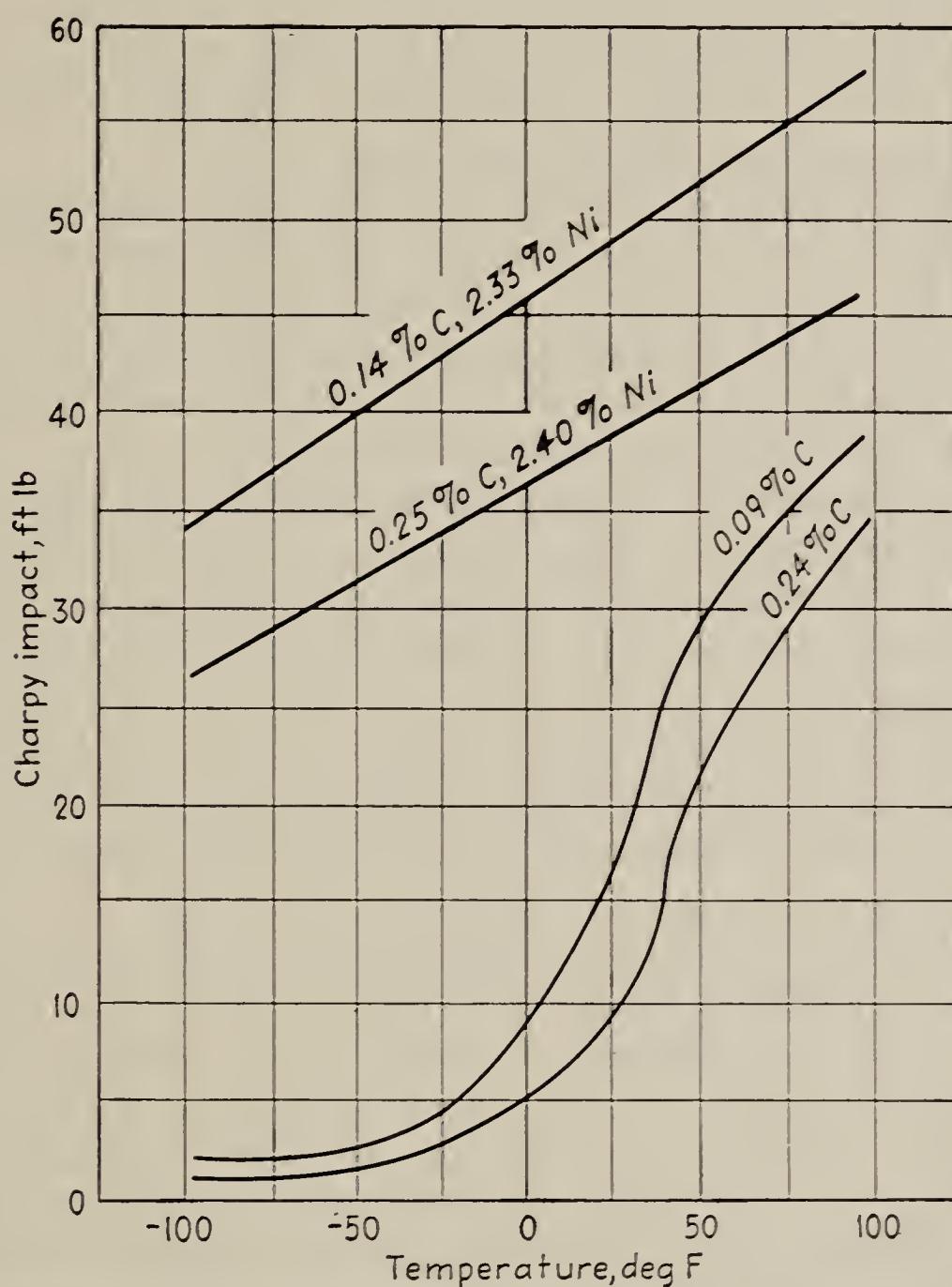


FIG. 7-10. Effect of temperature on impact resistance of carbon and nickel steel.

Steels with 0.55 to 0.83 per cent carbon have high strength and good wear properties. They are generally forged hot for spring wire and for parts having cutting edges. Steel with 0.65 to 0.75 per cent carbon is used for railroad rails. SAE 1065 to 1085 steel is used for coil springs and flat springs and SAE 1070 to 1083 is used for plow shares, toothed diggers and scrapers, and other parts subjected to shock and wear.

In the high-carbon steel group, SAE 1090 to 1095 is widely used for springs, punches and dies, chisels, saws, cutting tools, steel wire, and

cables. Steel with 1.0 to 1.2 per cent carbon is used for saws, files, and razor blades, while steel with 1.2 to 1.5 per cent carbon is used for balls, rollers, and races for rolling bearings.

*Alloy steels.* Nickel steel is the most widely used of the alloy group on account of its high strength, high ductility, and good impact properties. SAE 2335 steel is used for highly stressed gears, axles, castings, nuts and bolts, while SAE 2335 to 2350 is used for many other highly stressed machine parts. SAE 2515 steel is used for more severe service where high fatigue strength or good carburizing qualities are necessary; this steel, however, is costly. It finds use in wrist pins, kingpins, transmission gears, ring gears, pinions, and cams.

The chromium steels, SAE 50XX and 51XX, have improved hardening properties and higher strength and wear resistance, but may be temper brittle. These steels are used in applications as ball bearings.

Nickel-chromium steel has further increased strength and hardenability but may be temper brittle. SAE 31XX is used for drive shafts and axles, transmission gears, and connecting rods.

Carbon-molybdenum steel, SAE 40XX, is a carburizing grade used for spline shafts, transmission gears, and pinions where the service is not too severe, while SAE 41XX, chrome-molybdenum, has good deep-hardening characteristics, high ductility, and weldability and is relatively inexpensive.

**7-6. Relation of cooling rates to design.<sup>1</sup>** The serviceability of a machine part may be greatly affected by the interrelation between heat-treatment and several factors that are involved in the design of the part, such as its form and mass.

The nonuniformity of physical properties of steel throughout a member may be due to unequal cooling rates in various sections and to the resulting effect on the decomposition of austenite. For example, in quenching a solid sphere heated to a uniform temperature throughout, the surface will be cooled more rapidly than the interior, and the difference in cooling rates will vary with the type of coolant. Also, a small sphere will have a greater difference in cooling rates than a larger sphere, since the ratio of surface to volume is inversely proportional to the diameter.

It is evident that points in an irregularly shaped member may have widely different cooling rates, which may result in a corresponding difference in the effect of heat-treatment. For instance, the point of a tapered pin will be cooled more rapidly during quenching than the larger end. Likewise, a corner of a rectangular bar will be cooled faster than an edge, and the edge faster than a flat surface, and the surface faster than the interior. Thus, if uniform properties are required, the designer should

<sup>1</sup> See discussion on design and heat-treatment in "Metals Handbook," American Society for Metals.

attempt to shape the part so that the cooling rates in the various sections will be as nearly uniform as possible. An approach to this condition is found in the distribution of the material as evenly as possible, *i.e.*, in the avoidance of large masses of metal. The procedure is illustrated in Fig. 7-11 where material has been removed from heavy sections.

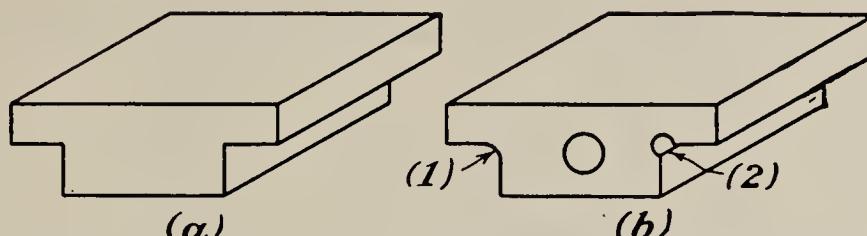


FIG. 7-11. (a) Original design of block to be heat-treated. (b) Improved design, showing reduction of concentration of mass, and substitution of fillets for sharp reentrant corners, showing methods 1 and 2.

The Effect of Mass charts<sup>1</sup> given in handbooks indicate the effect of size or mass and the quenching operations on the physical properties of steels. For instance, one of these charts indicates that the tensile strength of SAE 1045 steel quenched in water at 1500 F and drawn at 1000 F has a value for a 4-in.-diameter specimen which is approximately 15 per cent less than that for a 1-in.-diameter specimen. Other properties show corresponding differences.

An example of the mass effect is shown by the comparison between the strengths of a solid shaft and a hollow shaft. An 8-in. shaft with a 4-in. axial hole will have its torsional section modulus reduced by  $6\frac{1}{4}$  per cent and its weight reduced by 25 per cent, as compared with an 8-in. solid shaft. Tests on shafts show that the bored shaft is more than 40 per cent stronger than the solid shaft with the same heat-treatment.

Internal stresses may be serious in that they may lead to cracks forming during heat-treatment or under service loads. A bar or plate of section as shown in Fig. 7-12(a) may have cracks develop at the reentrant corners because of unequal cooling of the wide and narrow portions. An improvement results by introducing fillets, as shown in (b), or gradual transition slopes, as shown in (c). Further improvement may result from the removal of some material, as shown in (d), for reasons discussed in the preceding paragraphs. In some cases, however, the use of a large fillet, as required by considerations of stress concentration, may have its

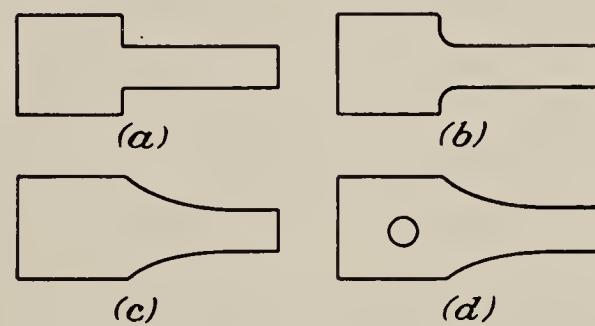


FIG. 7-12. Progressive improvement in section of bar to be heat-treated.

<sup>1</sup> See "SAE Handbook," Society of Automotive Engineers.

advantages reduced by reason of the mass effect, so that a medium-sized fillet may be a compromise.

Distortion and warping may be caused by the unsymmetrical shape of the part or by nonuniform application of the coolant during quenching.

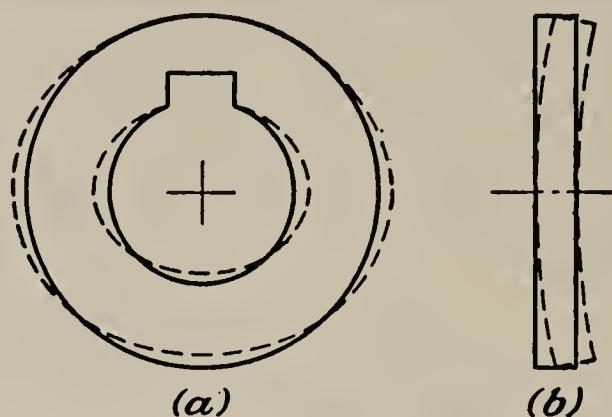


FIG. 7-13. Distortion and warping of slotted ring.

Thus the slotted ring in Fig. 7-13 may be distorted during cooling, as shown by the dotted lines in (a). Such distortion may be decreased by the use of two or more symmetrical slots. Distortion of gear teeth in heat-treatment may lead to noise and excessive wear. Special heat-treatment, such as induction hardening or flame hardening, may be used to give a minimum of distortion in this case.

The dotted lines in Fig. 7-13(b) indicate warping that may be caused by the sudden application of the coolant from one side of the ring.

## CHAPTER 8

# MECHANICAL FABRICATION AND PROCESSES

**8-1 Introduction.** In this treatment mechanical fabrication is intended to mean the permanent joining of structural or machine parts that are made as separate units for manufacturing, assembling, or transportation reasons. Thus large plates are fabricated by riveting or welding together small plates of sizes that are easily manufactured. Similarly, a drum may be fabricated from a cylinder and two circular plates by welding or riveting. Fabrication is intended to represent a process different from the *assembly* of units that are essentially different in functions, such as a gear and a shaft assembled by a force fit or a valve seat in a cylinder block assembled by a shrink fit.

**8-2 Riveting—general remarks.** The function of rivets in a joint is to make a connection that has *strength* and *tightness*. Strength is necessary to prevent failure of the joint. Tightness is necessary in order to contribute to strength and to prevent leakage; for example, it is required in a boiler or in a ship hull.

Rivets may be driven by hand or by riveting machines. In hand riveting, the original rivethead is backed up by a hammer or heavy bar, and then the *die* or *set*, as shown in Fig. 8-1, is placed against the end to be headed and the blows are applied by a hammer. This forms the second head called the *point*. In machine riveting, the die is part of the hammer, which is operated by air, hydraulic, or steam pressure.

In structural and pressure-vessel riveting, the diameter of the rivet hole is usually  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. larger than the nominal diameter of the rivet. After the rivet is driven, it will contract on cooling. The lateral contraction will be slight, but there will be a longitudinal tension introduced in the rivet that will draw the plates tightly together in well-driven rivets. This tension will cause frictional resistance between the plates that will resist sliding of the plates under load. The resistance to sliding due to interplate friction is seldom considered in calculations of the strength of riveted joints. The procedure of neglecting interplate friction is followed because the pressures caused by the driving and cooling of the rivets and the coefficient of friction between the plates are difficult to determine, and neglecting those factors is on the side of safety. Also

in high-temperature installations, relaxation may cause the tension in the rivets to be reduced.

While rivets in some applications carry an external tensile load, their general use should be limited to shearing loads. If it is necessary for a tensile load to be carried by a connection, a bolt should be used.

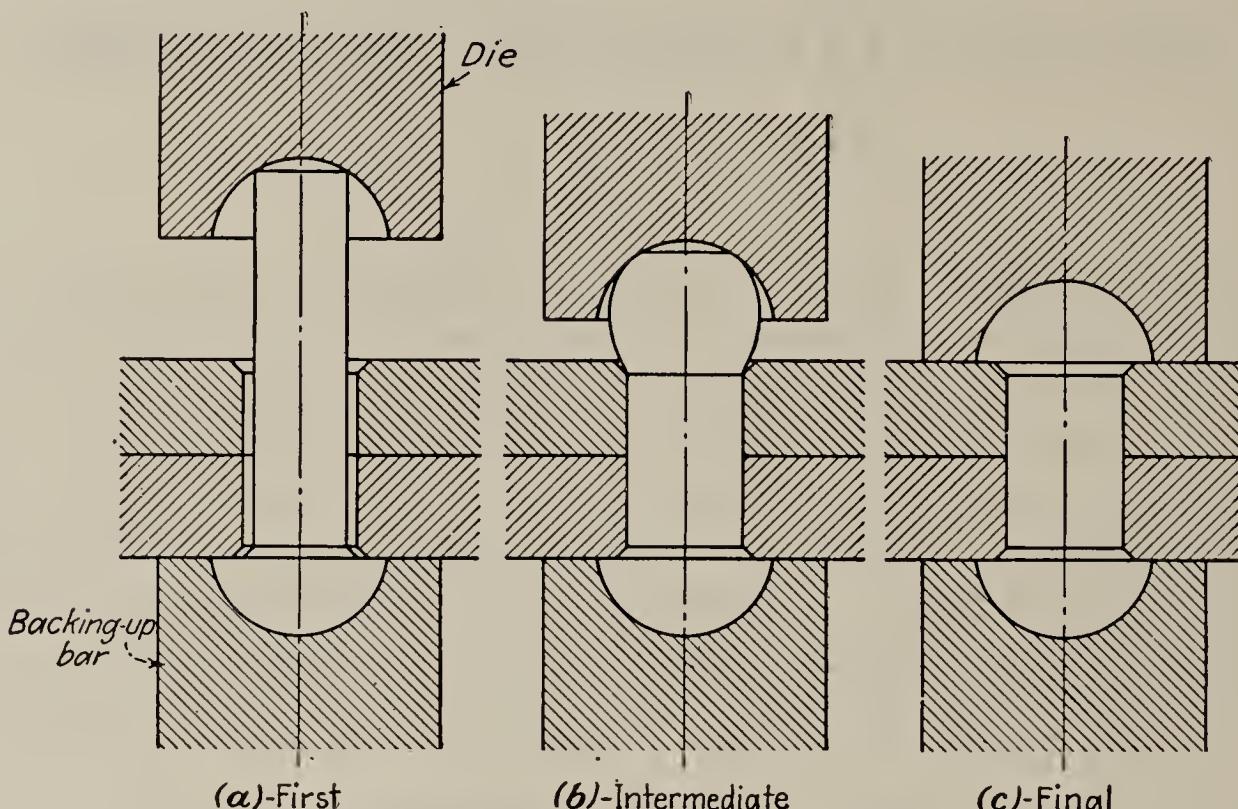


FIG. 8-1. Progressive stages in riveting.

Stress concentration exists in the parts riveted and in the rivets themselves; however, since the materials used in most riveted parts are ductile, stress concentration may not be serious. In ductile material plastic flow around the rivet hole may be relied upon to relieve stress concentration if the loads on the joint are static. Stress concentration exists also in the rivet, and it may be serious at the junctures of the shank of the rivet and the heads. This concentration of stress may be reduced by countersinking the rivet holes  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. so that a fillet is formed as shown in Fig. 8-2. Since loads on the rivets may be variable because of the character of the external load, the vibration, or the temperature change, the rivet may fail owing to stress concentration in fatigue, even though the rivets are made of ductile material.

The ways in which a single riveted lap joint may fail are illustrated in Fig. 8-3.

The maximum stresses in a riveted joint at failure are difficult to calculate. Instead of attempting to use exact stresses, a safe joint may be designed on the basis of simple tension of the plates, shear of the rivets, and bearing at the rivets and plates, using allowable stresses determined

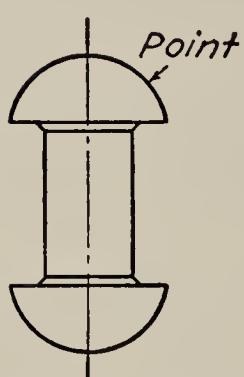


FIG. 8-2. Fillets in rivets.

from similar existing and satisfactory installations. The allowable stresses quoted in the following article have been determined on this basis and are recommended by the structural standards.

**8-3 Structural and machine-member riveting.** In the riveting of structural and machine members, the rivet holes may be punched, drilled, and reamed, or some combinations of these operations may be used. If punched holes are used without being reamed, as in structural work, it is assumed in calculating the strength of the plate that the punching operation may damage the plate to the extent of a  $\frac{1}{3}$ -in. thick ring around the hole. Thus, in determining the net area of the plate between rivet holes in a tension plate, the rivet hole should be considered as having a diameter that is  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. larger than the *nominal* diameter of the rivet. Furthermore, in calculating the strength of a structural riveted joint, the nominal diameter of the rivet should be used in determining the strength of the rivet, since it is assumed here that the rivet may not completely fill the hole throughout the length of the rivet. These two assumptions are illustrated in Fig. 8-4.

In structural riveting, spacing of the rivets should be governed by the following considerations: (a) stability of the joint, (b) the existence of a margin between the rivet hole and the edge of the plate that is not less than the rivet diameter, and (c) clearance for the die during riveting.

For structural steel, the following allowable stresses may be used:

For plates in tension.....	20,000 psi
For rivets in shear.....	15,000 psi
For bearing of rivets and plates	
Single shear.....	32,000 psi
Double shear.....	40,000 psi

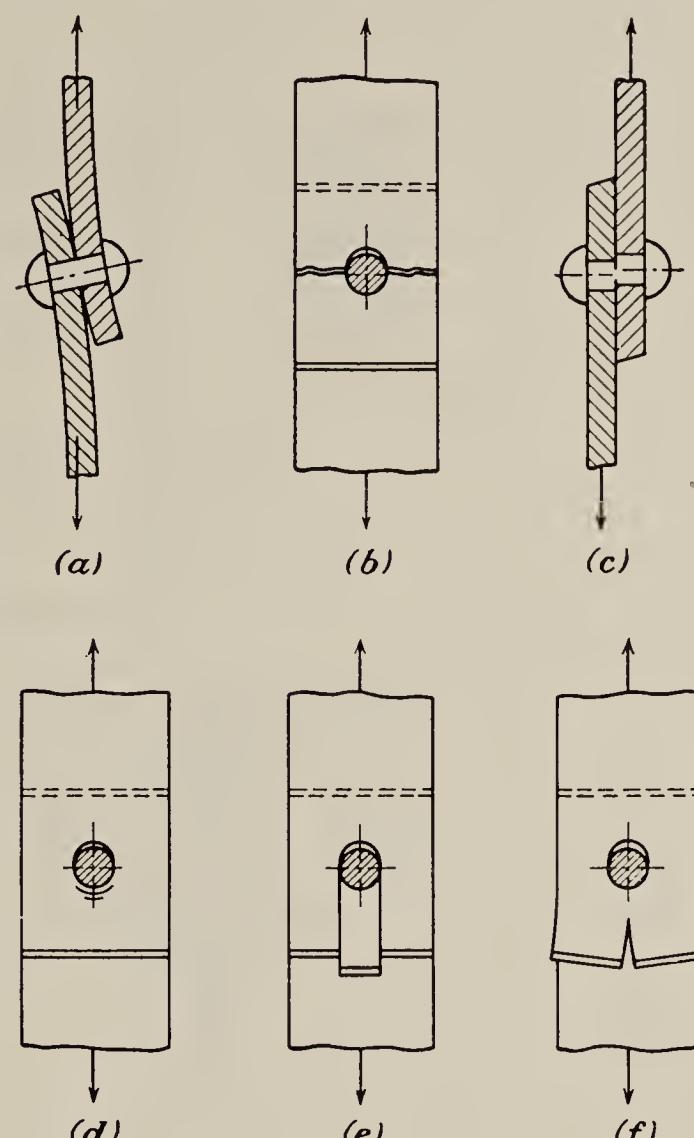


FIG. 8-3. Modes of failure of a riveted joint: (a) bending of the plate; (b) rupturing of the plate by tension; (c) shearing of the rivets; (d) crushing of the rivets or the plates; (e) shearing of the margin; (f) tearing of the margin.

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The determination of the strength of a simple structural joint is illustrated by the analysis of the connection shown in Fig. 8-5.

The problem is to determine the safe load that may be carried by the joint illustrated in the sketch. The angles and the plate are structural steel, and the rivets are  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. in nominal diameter.

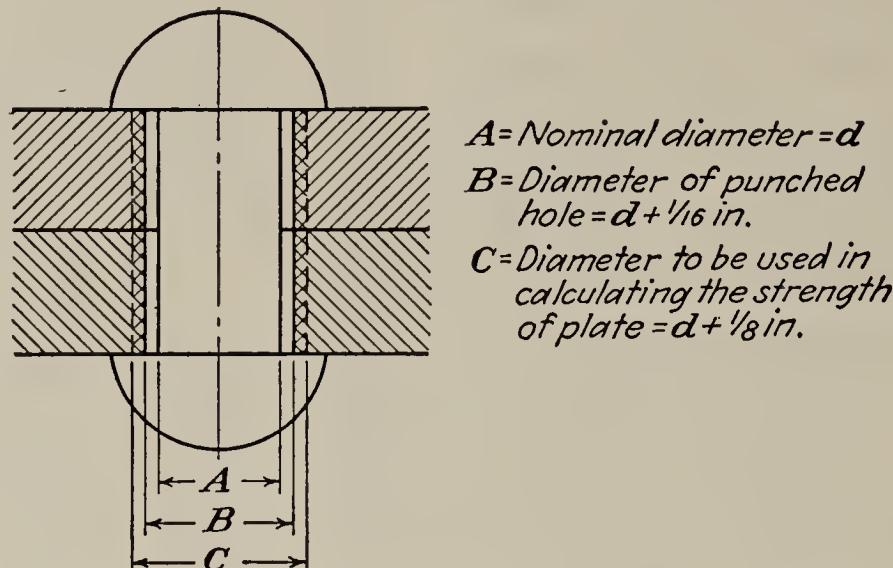


FIG. 8-4. Structural riveting.

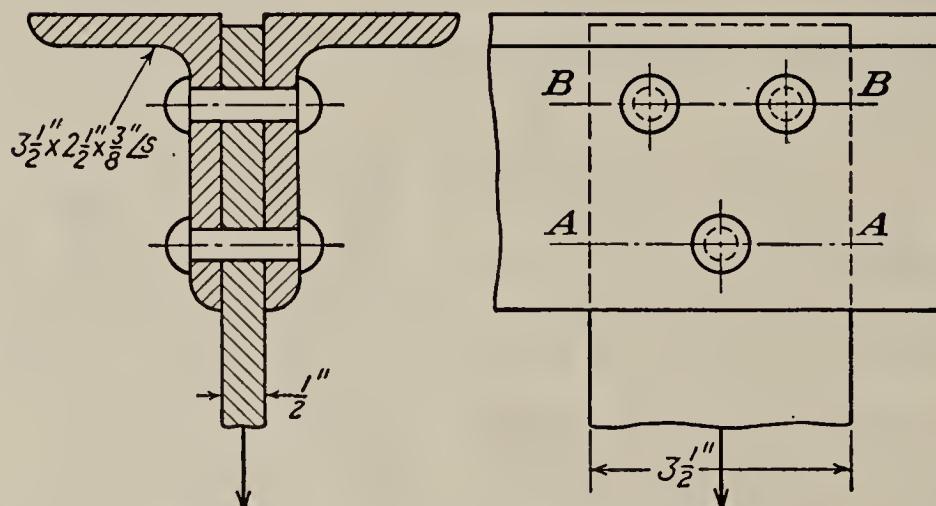


FIG. 8-5. Structural connection.

1. The strength of the plate along the section *AA* is equal to

$$[3\frac{1}{2} - (\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{8})] \times \frac{1}{2} \times 20,000 = 26,250 \text{ lb}$$

2. The strength of all the rivets in shear is equal to

$$6 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 \times 15,000 = 39,700 \text{ lb}$$

3. The strength of all the rivets in bearing is equal to

$$3(\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{2}) \times 40,000 = 45,000 \text{ lb}$$

4. The strength in failure of the plate in tension along section *BB* combined with failure of the lower rivet (*a*) in shear and (*b*) in bearing is equal to

- (a)  $\{[3\frac{1}{2} - 2(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{8})] \times \frac{1}{2} \times 20,000\} + 2 \times \pi/4 (\frac{3}{4})^2 \times 15,000$   
 $= 30,750 \text{ lb}$
- (b)  $\{[3\frac{1}{2} - 2(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{8})] \times \frac{1}{2} \times 20,000\} + \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} \times 40,000$   
 $= 32,500 \text{ lb}$

The above calculations indicate that the joint would fail by rupture of the plate along section  $AA$  and that the safe load would be 26,250 lb.

Note that stress concentration has been neglected; a procedure that is justified by the lack of seriousness of stress concentration because of the ductility of the structural steel and the relatively high factor of safety used in determining the allowable stresses.

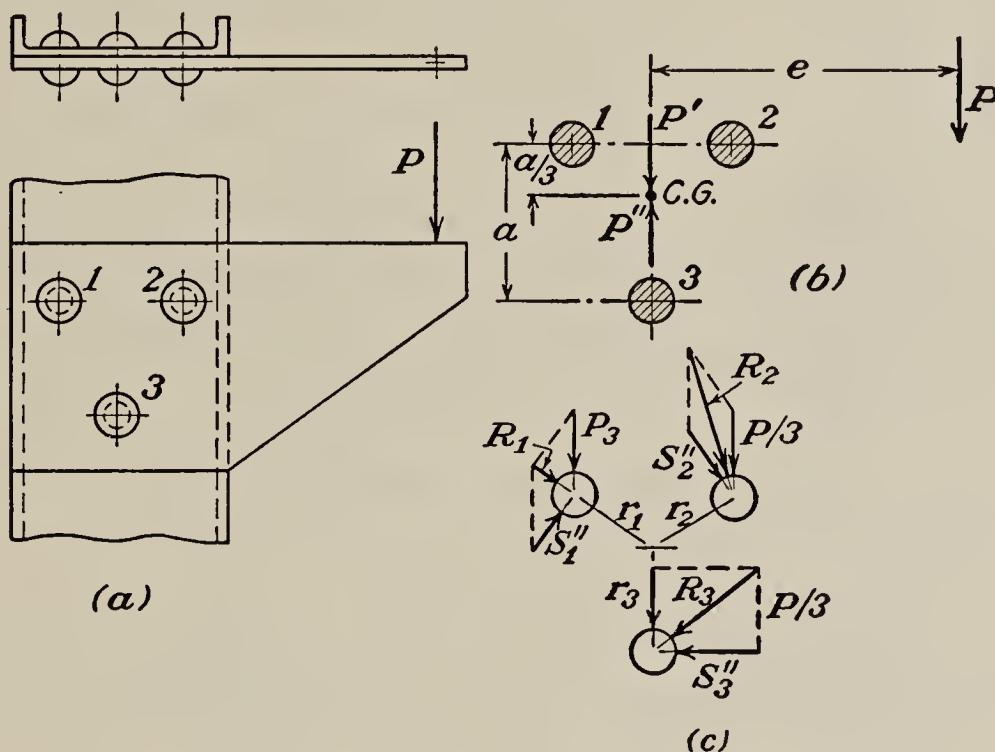


FIG. 8-6. Eccentrically loaded connection and rivet loading.

*Eccentrically loaded connection.* A connection of this type is illustrated in Fig. 8-6(a). The *group* of three rivets supports the loads. The first step in the solution of the problem is to locate the center of gravity of the rivet group. For convenience, the rivet group is redrawn in Fig. 8-6(b). If the rivets are of the same size and the upper two rivets are equally spaced with regard to the vertical center line, the center of gravity of the rivet group will be at the point indicated by  $CG$ .<sup>1</sup>

The next step is to introduce at the center of gravity of the rivet group two forces which are equal and opposite to  $P$ , as shown by  $P'$  and  $P''$  in Fig. 8-6(b), and then to regard  $P'$  as inducing a direct shearing load known as "primary shear," on the rivets, and to consider  $P$  and  $P''$  with their moment arm  $e$  as producing a moment equal to  $Pe$ , which tends to

<sup>1</sup> If the rivets are of different diameters or are unsymmetrically spaced, the center of gravity of the rivet group may be located by the use of a well-known principle of mechanics,  $X = \Sigma AX / \Sigma A$ , as illustrated in Fig. 8-7.

rotate the rivets about the center of gravity of the group. The loads induced by the turning moment are known as "secondary shear."

Now the primary shear on each rivet is equal to  $P/3$  and these loads are shown in Fig. 8-6(c), where the rivet group has been redrawn.

The turning moment will induce loads on rivets 1, 2, and 3, which are of different magnitudes and directions. The direction of the secondary shear on each rivet is at right angles to the direction of its moment arm  $r$ .

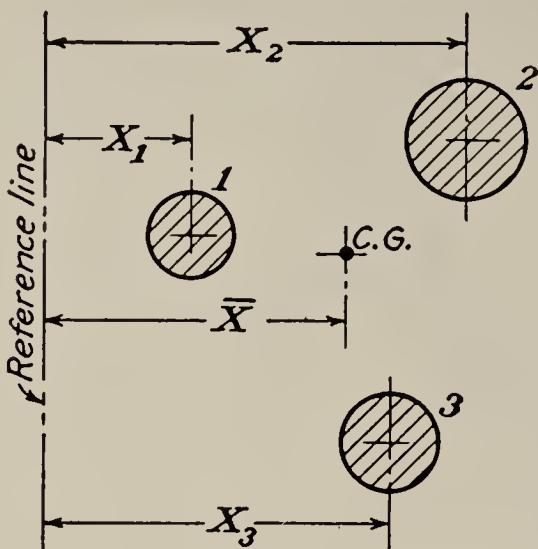


FIG. 8-7. Center of gravity of rivet group.

Thus  $s_1''$ , or the secondary shear on rivet 1, will act at right angles to  $r_1$ , and  $s_2''$  and  $s_3''$  will act at right angles to  $r_2$  and  $r_3$ , respectively. To determine the magnitudes of  $s_1''$ ,  $s_2''$ , and  $s_3''$ , it is necessary to make an assumption.

A reasonable assumption is that the two members riveted together, *i.e.*, the plate and the channel in Fig. 8-6(a), are rigid and that the deformation takes place by the rivets. This assumption is valid for the proportions of plates and the number and size of rivets that are met with in the

usual structural or machine members. However, it may not be valid for very small, thin plates and for relatively large rivets.

If the assumption stated above is used, it follows that as a result of the turning of the plate the deformation of each rivet will be proportional to its distance  $r$  from the center of gravity of the group. Therefore

$$\frac{s_1''}{r_1} = \frac{s_2''}{r_2} = \frac{s_3''}{r_3}$$

From the condition that the sum of the external turning moment and of the internal resisting moment equals zero,

$$Pe = s_1''r_1 + s_2''r_2 + s_3''r_3$$

The equations given above are sufficient to determine the secondary shear on each rivet and, in general, it may be found that

$$s_n'' = \frac{Per_n}{r_1^2 + r_2^2 + r_3^2}$$

where the subscript  $n$  refers to any rivet.

The secondary shear loads are drawn in Fig. 8-6(c), which shows for both primary and secondary shear the loads produced by the *plate on the rivets*.

The primary and secondary shear loads may be added vectorially to determine the resultant load  $R$  on each rivet.

In the solution of a problem, the primary and secondary shear loads may be laid off approximately to scale and generally the rivet having the *maximum* total shear load will be apparent by inspection. The values of the resultant load for that rivet may then be calculated. The maximum loaded rivet becomes the critical one for determining the strength of an existing connection if all the rivets are the same size, or for selecting the rivet size or sizes in a design.

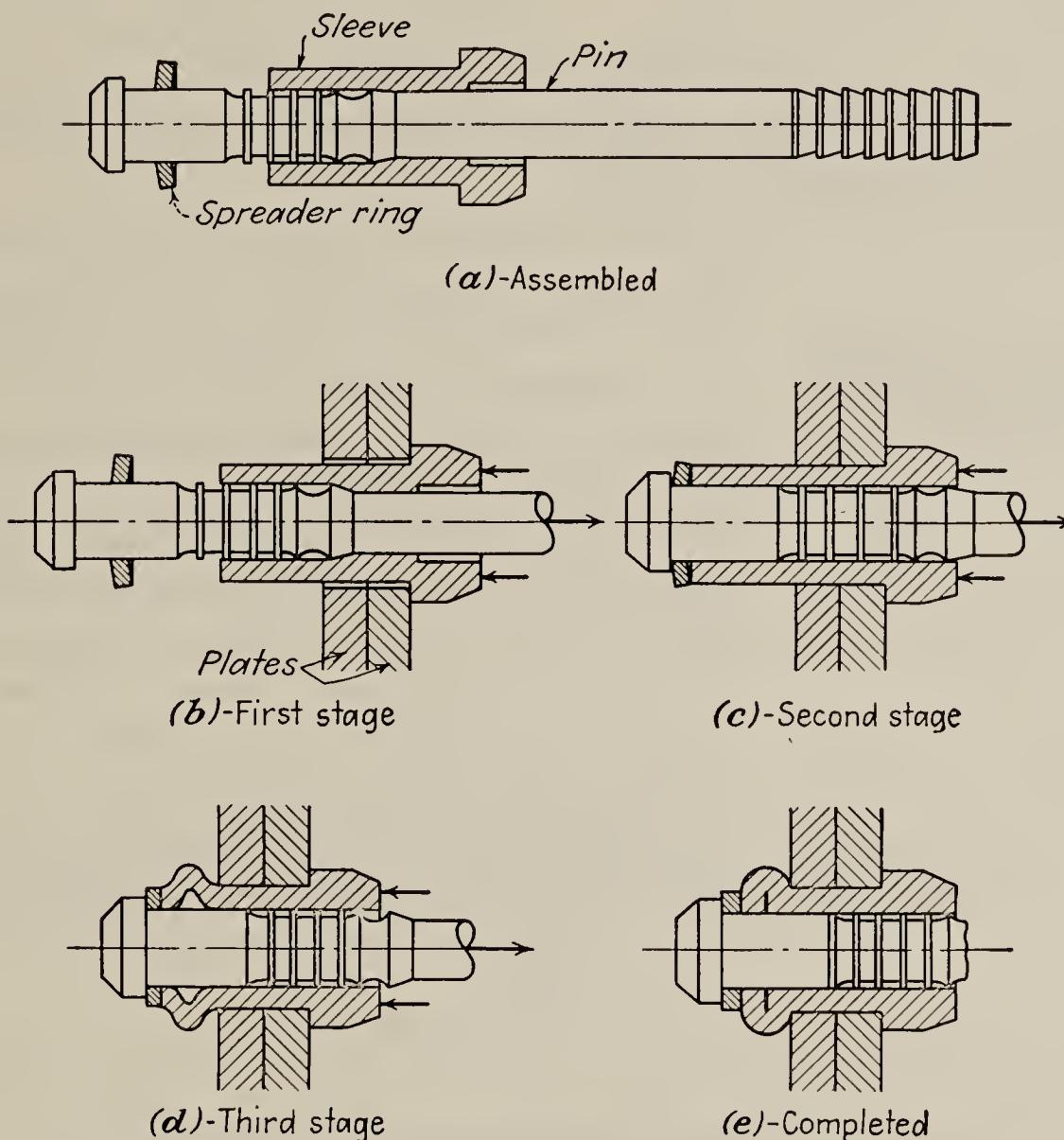


FIG. 8-8. Draw rivets for riveting from one side of plate.

*Draw rivets* have been used widely for riveting in locations that are accessible from one side only. Figure 8-8(a) shows a rivet of this type known as the Huck rivet, which is composed of three essential parts: (1) the hardened steel *pin*, (2) the soft steel *sleeve*, and (3) the *spreader ring*.

The complete rivet is supplied to the user assembled as shown in Fig. 8-8(a). At (b) is shown the rivet inserted from the right into the holes of the plates. The sleeve is held against the plates while the pin is pulled toward the right. This operation spreads the sleeve as shown in the diagrams at (c) and (d) and finally the pin breaks off, leaving the completed rivet as shown at (e). Another and simpler draw rivet is the Cherry rivet.

**8-4 Riveting thin plates.** The same general requirements of strength and tightness that apply to general riveting apply also to thin plates; however, because of the possibility of failure of thin plates carrying com-

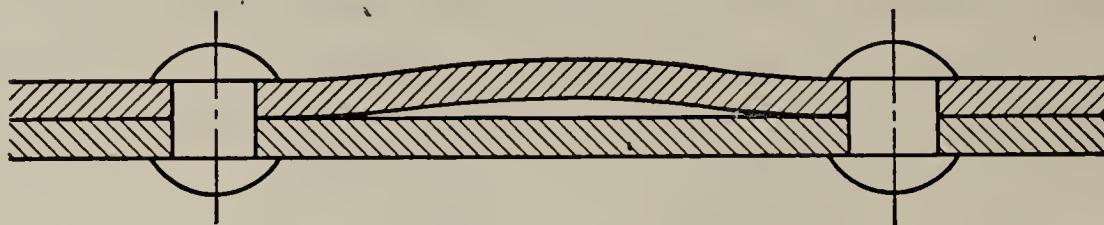


FIG. 8-9. Buckling of riveted thin plates.

pression or shear loads by buckling of the plates, special requirements are necessary in thin-plate riveting.

A frequent cause of weakness of thin-plate construction is buckling of the plate because of the inaccurate spacing of rivet holes and/or improper riveting. This wrinkling of the plate is illustrated in Fig. 8-9; it may be serious in built-up structural members and in columns or beams or in plates carrying shear loads, such as aircraft structures.

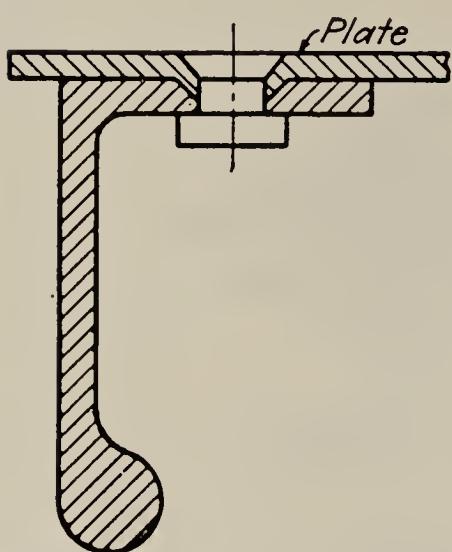


FIG. 8-10. Flush rivet developed for aircraft construction.

*Flush riveting* may be used in the wetted surfaces of ship hulls or aircraft structures in order to reduce skin friction. Special procedures are necessary, especially in aircraft construction, to prevent wrinkling of the plate between rivets and "dimpling" of the plate around rivets. Figure 8-10 illustrates a flush rivet that has been developed for aircraft construction.<sup>1</sup>

*Explosive rivets* are used in aircraft structures in quantity production and are used also for locations accessible from one side only of the plate. Figure 8-11(a) shows a section of an unexploded aluminum rivet with the

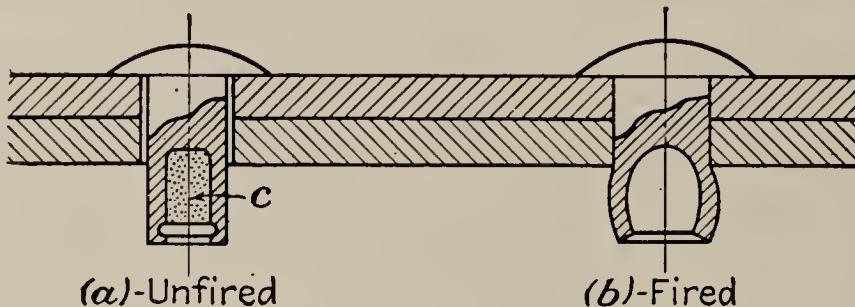


FIG. 8-11. Explosive rivets.

powder, or chemical, charge *c* in the shank. The rivet that has been exploded by a heated-tip riveting gun placed in contact with the rivet-head is shown at (b).

<sup>1</sup> Berlin and Rossman, Flush Riveting Considerations for Quantity Production, *SAE Journal*, August, 1939, p. 328.

**8-5 Pressure-vessel riveting.** The riveting of drums and tanks intended to withstand high pressure requires special consideration in design, materials, and construction. This is especially true for fired pressure vessels, such as a steam generator drum. The design of pressure-vessel joints should be based on strength and tightness.

The strength of the joint should be as near as possible to the strength of the unpunched plate. It is possible to produce joints of high efficiency, *i.e.*, more than 90 per cent.

Tightness of the joint is necessary to prevent leakage, and to ensure tightness the spacing of the rivets must be limited. Calking of the joint may be necessary to increase the resistance to leakage. Figure 8-12 illustrates the calking operation.

Joints for vessels subjected to high pressure are usually made of the double-strap construction shown in Fig. 8-13(a) in order to minimize bending of the plate, as illustrated in Fig. 8-3(a). The plates are generally of unequal width in order to increase the joint efficiency and to

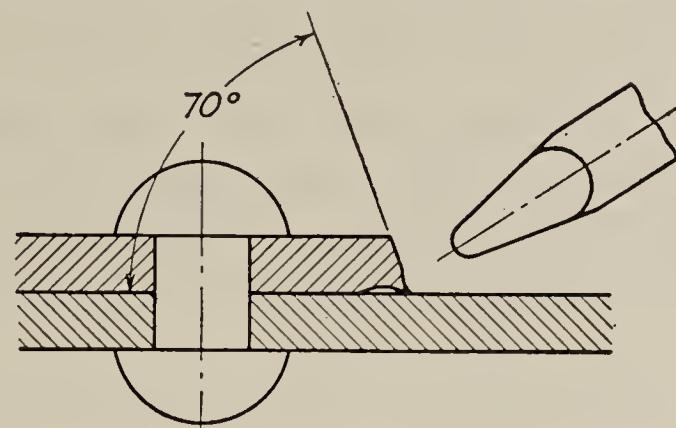


FIG. 8-12. Calking of riveted joint.

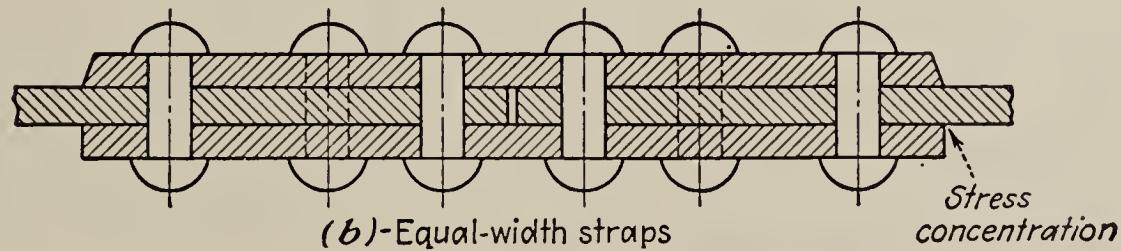
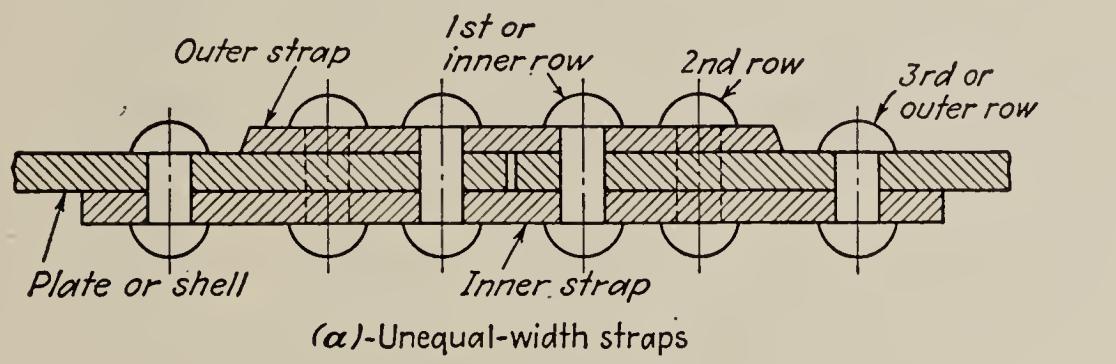


FIG. 8-13. Double-strap butt joints.

decrease stress concentration in the plate. This stress concentration is caused by flexure of the plate due to the expansion and contraction of the shell. A consideration of the stress-flow lines, as discussed in Chap. 4, indicates that a joint with unequal-width cover plates, as in Fig. 8-13(a), would have less stress concentration than one with equal-width cover plates, such as the one in (b). Placing the narrow strip on the outside of the drum facilitates calking of the joint adjacent to closely spaced rivets. This latter consideration will be evident from Fig. 8-14.

In order to design a joint for a pressure vessel, it is necessary first to determine the type of joint to be used. The choice involves the cost of construction and its relation to the efficiency of the joint, since the higher efficiency joints have a larger number of rows of rivets. On this basis, a type of joint may be selected that will be satisfactory from an economic standpoint. After the type of joint has been decided upon, the design of the joint involves the determining of the size of the rivets and the pitch in order to secure approximately equal strengths of the joint for all methods of failure. It is evident that with large rivets spaced close

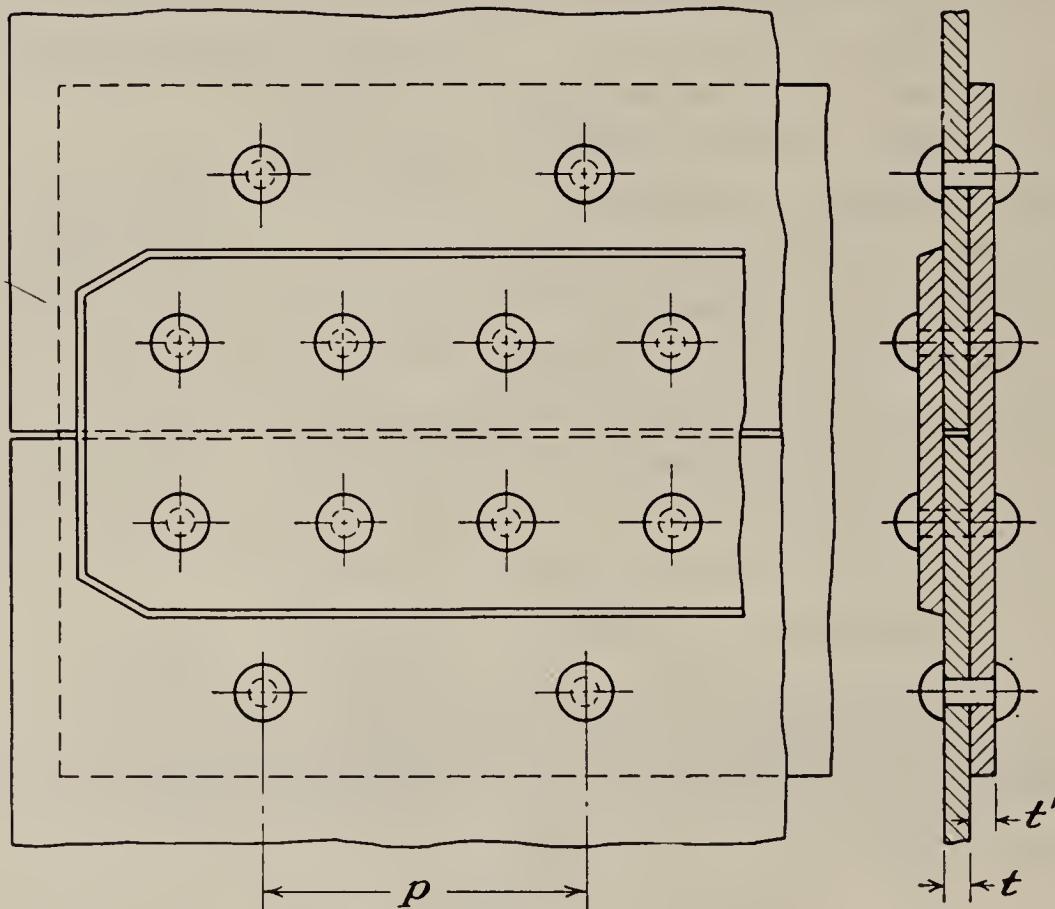


FIG. 8-14. Double-riveted double-strap butt joint.

together the rivets will have a high strength and will favor a tight joint, but the plate will be unduly weakened by the large, closely spaced holes.

In the treatment of pressure-vessel joints given here a typical standard joint as specified by the ASME Code<sup>1</sup> will be investigated for strengths under various probable methods of failure.

The following assumptions are made:

1. That each rivet takes an equal share of the load. This assumption implies that the shell and plate are rigid and that all the deformation of the joint takes place in the rivets themselves. Because of the actual deformation of the shell and plates, however, the rivets in the outer row in a multirow joint are subjected to more than an equal share of the load.
2. The plates are undamaged by the hole-forming operation, and the rivet fills the hole after it is driven. These assumptions are valid in

<sup>1</sup> ASME Boiler Construction Code, Sec. I, Power Boilers.

high-grade construction using drilled and reamed holes and well-driven rivets. Since the diameter of the hole is  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. larger than the nominal diameter of the rivet, the nominal diameter plus  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. should be used in all calculations.

3. Failure of the margin by shear or tearing will not take place. This is true for ASME Boiler Code joints.

4. Finally, stress concentration is neglected. The stress concentration in the shell, plates, and rivets may not be serious because of the ductility of the material; however, in the presence of corrosive substances, such as those found in certain kinds of boiler-feed water, corrosion fatigue may be serious (see Art. 3-8).

The strengths of a double-riveted double-strap butt joint, shown in Fig. 8-14, used as a longitudinal joint of a drum will be determined for various methods of failure.

In the figure,  $p$  indicates the pitch of rivets in the row having the greatest pitch, and  $t$  indicates the length of a repeating group whose efficiency is typical of the efficiency of the entire length of joint.

Let  $p$  = pitch of rivets in the outer row, in.

$d$  = diameter of rivet after driving, or diameter of rivet hole, in.

$t$  = thickness of plate, in.

$t'$  = thickness of cover plate, in.

$s_t$  = tensile strength of plate = 55,000 psi

$s_s$  = shearing strength of rivet in single shear = 44,000 psi

$s_c$  = crushing strength of rivet or plate = 95,000 psi

Assume that

$$p = 4\frac{7}{8} \text{ in.} = 4.875 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = \frac{7}{8} \text{ in.} = 0.875 \text{ in.}$$

$$t = \frac{3}{8} \text{ in.} = 0.375 \text{ in.}$$

$$t' = \frac{5}{16} \text{ in.} = 0.3125 \text{ in.}$$

1. The strength of the solid plate is equal to

$$pts_t = 4.875 \times 0.375 \times 55,000 = 100,550 \text{ lb}$$

2. The strength of the plate between rivet holes in the outer row is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} (p - d)ts_t &= (4.875 - 0.875) \times 0.375 \times 55,000 \\ &= 82,500 \text{ lb} \end{aligned}$$

3. The strength of all rivets in shear is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} 5 \frac{\pi d^2}{4} s_s &= 5 \left( \pi \frac{0.875^2}{4} \right) \times 44,000 \\ &= 132,290 \text{ lb} \end{aligned}$$

4. The strength of the plate between rivet holes in the second row plus (a) shearing strength of rivets in the outer row or (b) crushing strength of rivets in the outer row is equal to

$$(a) \quad (p - 2d)ts_t + \frac{\pi d^2}{4} s_s = (4.875 - 2 \times 0.875) \times 0.375 \times 55,000 \\ + \left( \pi \frac{0.875^2}{4} \right) \times 44,000 \\ = 90,910 \text{ lb}$$

$$(b) \quad (p - 2d)ts_t + dt's_c = (4.875 - 2 \times 0.875) \times 0.375 \times 55,000 \\ + 0.875 \times 0.3125 \times 95,000 \\ = 90,429 \text{ lb}$$

5. Crushing strength of all rivets is equal to

$$2dts_c + dt's_c = d(2t + t')s_c = 0.875(2 \times 0.375 + 0.3125) \times 95,000 \\ = 88,320 \text{ lb}$$

6. Crushing strength of rivets in second row plus shearing strength of rivets in outer row is equal to

$$2dts_c + \left( \frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right) s_s = 2 \times 0.875 \times 0.375 \times 95,000 + \left( \pi \frac{0.875^2}{4} \right) \times 44,000 \\ = 88,800 \text{ lb}$$

The above analysis indicates that the joint will fail by method 2. The efficiency of the joint is

$$\frac{82,500}{100,500} \times 100 = 82.0 \text{ per cent}$$

The efficiencies of some commercial boiler joints are given in Table 8-1.

TABLE 8-1. EFFICIENCIES OF COMMERCIAL BOILER JOINTS

Type of joint	Efficiency, per cent
Lap joints:	
Single riveted.....	45-60
Double riveted.....	63-70
Triple riveted.....	72-80
Butt joints:	
Single riveted.....	55-60
Double riveted.....	70-83
Triple riveted.....	80-90
Quadruple riveted.....	85-94

**8-6 Welding—general remarks.** There are three general fields of application of welding:

1. *Fabrication* in which welding is used as an alternate method for casting or forging. In this application, *cost of construction* and serviceability are important in making the choice between welding and the alternate methods. *Cost of construction* involves a consideration of the following items:

1. Welding:

- Cost of materials, as structural steel
- Cost of cutting and forming parts
- Cost of positioning parts, welding and machining

2. Casting:

- Cost of materials, as iron and steel
- Cost of patterns and molds
- Cost of casting and machining

3. Forging:

- Cost of materials
- Cost of dies
- Cost of forging and machining

*Serviceability* involves a consideration of strength and stiffness of the parts, and, in parts subjected to variable loads and/or vibration, of the damping capacity of the structure. In general, strength requirements are favored by the welding of structural steel parts, deflection requirements are favored by the larger sections of castings, and damping capacity is favored by larger volumes of cast and forged parts, especially in the use of cast iron.

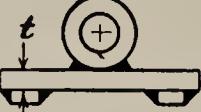
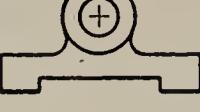
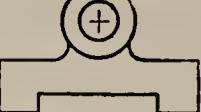
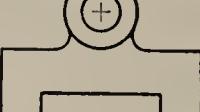
In many instances where relatively large deflections are not objectionable and high damping capacity is not essential, the use of welded structural steel results in a substantial saving in production cost; however, where deflections are limited, or where impact loads and vibration require high damping capacity, forged or cast construction is more satisfactory. Approximate comparisons for a bearing support made in small numbers by different methods are given in Table 8-2.

2. *Fabrication* in which welding is substituted for riveting. In this application, welding is generally favored from the standpoints of strength and saving in weight. In welding, however, the cost of holding the parts during welding and the cost of welding itself, including materials, equipment, and operators, may favor riveting in some applications.

3. Welding used as a *repair* medium. Welding can be employed to reunite metal at a crack, to build up a small part that has broken off, such as a gear tooth, or to repair a worn surface, such as a bearing surface. Metal spraying also can be used in the latter example.

**8-7 Methods of welding.** The common methods of welding are forge welding, electric-resistance welding, and fusion welding.

TABLE 8-2. COMPARISON OF FABRICATION METHODS FOR BEARING SUPPORT

				
	Welded, per cent	Forged steel, per cent	Cast steel, per cent	Cast iron, per cent
Static strength.....	100	100	100	100
Deflection.....	259	259	191	100
Damping capacity.....	26.1	26.1	27.8	100
Weight.....	71	71	76	100
Cost.....	45	300	110	100
Thickness $t$ .....	54	54	60	100

In *forge welding* the parts must be heated to the plastic state at the regions where they are to be joined, and then impact, which is produced by a hand hammer or a press, causes the parts to unite. Wrought iron and low-carbon steel may be forge-welded. The process has limited use; it is employed in the manufacture of wrought-iron pipe and also as a repair medium.

In *electric-resistance welding*, the parts to be joined are pressed together and an electric current is passed from one part to the other until the metal is heated to the fusion temperature at the joint. A butt joint may be formed in this manner from relatively thick plates, or if the plates are thin a lap joint may be formed. In the latter case, if the pressure is applied by the two electrodes, one on each side of the overlapped plates, a *spot weld* is produced, or if two rollers are substituted for the point electrodes and the plates are pulled between the rollers a *seam weld* is produced.

In *fusion welding*, the parts to be welded must be held in position while molten metal is placed at the joints, thus fusing the metal of the parts, called the *parent metal*. The molten metal then solidifies to form the welded joint. The weld formed by the welding metal when it cools is essentially cast metal.

The heat to melt the weld metal and to make the parent metal plastic is generated in a number of ways, each of which defines the method of fusion welding as (a) Thermit welding, (b) gas welding, and (c) electric-arc welding.

In *Thermit welding*, a mold is built around the joints at the region where it is desired to confine the molten metal. Then the Thermit, which is composed of a mixture of finely divided iron oxide and aluminum, is placed in a reservoir in the mold. The Thermit is ignited and the aluminum reduces the iron oxide to molten steel, at a high temperature,

which flows in the mold, melts the parts, and forms the joint on solidifying. Thermit welding is used principally to repair heavy cast-iron and steel parts and to weld heavy sections, such as rails, in the field where other welding equipment is not available.

*Gas welding*, often called *autogenous welding*, uses an oxygen-hydrogen or oxygen-acetelene gas, which is burned in a torch providing a pointed flame. The flame heats the parts to be welded and melts the welding metal, or filler rod, which on cooling forms the joint.

The oxygen-hydrogen process is generally used for welding nonferrous metals of low melting points, while the oxygen-acetylene process is used for welding ferrous and some nonferrous metals and alloys in thin sheets, and as a repair medium. Gas-welding equipment may be modified for use in flame cutting of plates.

*Arc welding* employs either a carbon-rod electrode with a separate rod used for the source of weld metal or a metallic-rod electrode in which the welding rod itself serves the dual purpose of electrode and source of welding metal. The metallic-rod arc-welding process is adapted to both structural and machine welding because of the consistently high quality of the welding that it is possible to obtain by the use of the proper welding procedure by trained operators of the welding equipment.

The making of high-quality welds requires specially designed equipment in order to produce a welding arc which has the necessary qualities for the proper control of the welding in producing joints of desired properties.

If a bare electrode or filler rod is used, the deposited weld metal while it is hot will absorb oxygen and nitrogen from the atmosphere, which will decrease the strength of the weld metal and lower its ductility and its resistance to corrosion. Shielded-arc welding is employed to prevent oxygen and nitrogen from coming in contact with the weld metal while it is molten. The shielded arc is produced by using welding rods coated with solid material which melts and vaporizes when heated by the arc and which forms a shield of inert gas around the molten weld metal; it also furnishes a flux which floats out impurities to form a slag on the top of the weld which further prevents harmful oxidizing effect on the weld while it is cooling. This slag is brushed off after the joint has cooled, leaving a good-appearing bead.

Shielded-arc welds are used in high-grade construction where strength is paramount. Figure 8-15 shows details of the shielded arc.

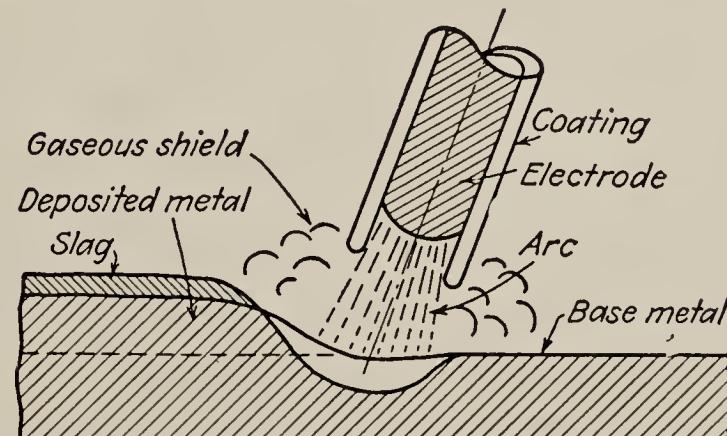


FIG. 8-15. Shielded arc.

**8-8 Forms of welded joints.** Some common forms of welded joints are shown in Fig. 8-16. When butt welds are used, it is not necessary to bevel the edges of plates that are  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. or less in thickness. For heavier plates, the edges should be beveled. For plates  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. or more in thickness, it is desirable to weld from both sides of the plate in order to minimize distortion of the welded part and to reduce the amount of deposited metal required.

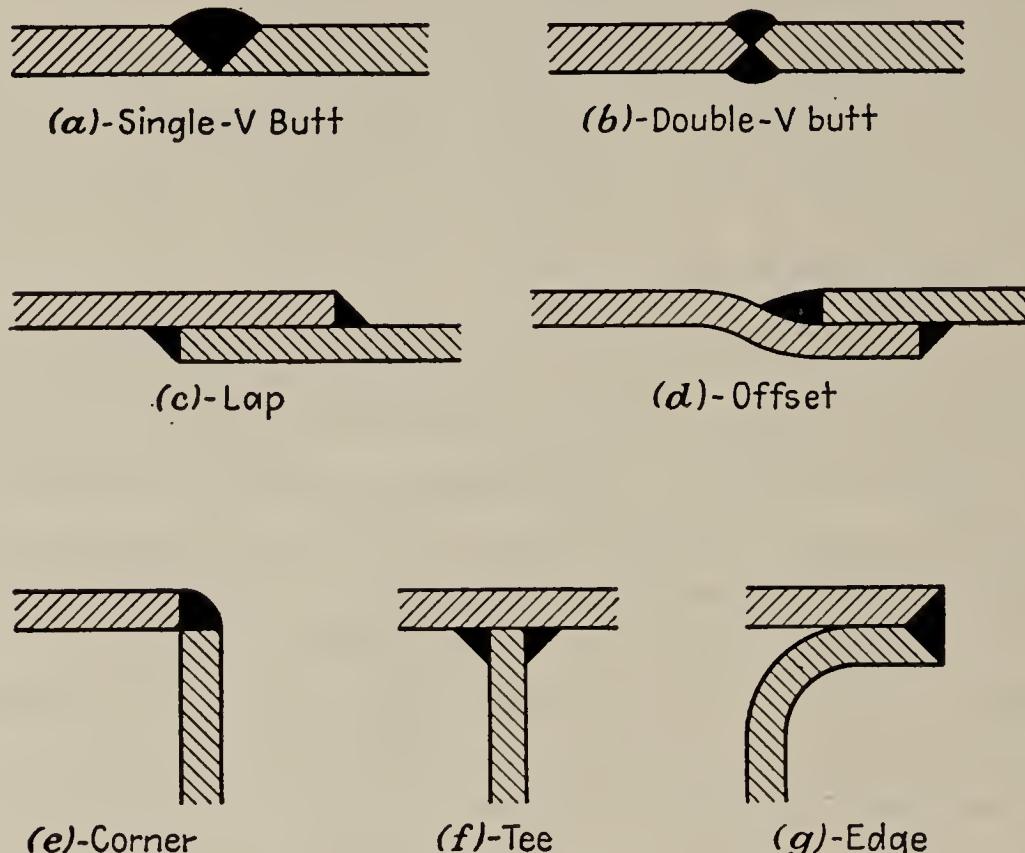


FIG. 8-16. Common forms of welded joints.

**8-9 Structural and machine welding.** In welding of structural members or machine members, the primary purpose is to reduce the cost over other fabrication methods and to equal or improve the serviceability of the structure. Structural-member welding is employed generally as an alternate to riveting. Machine-member welding may be used as a substitute for rivets or bolts, for casting or forging, or for the purpose of permitting the joining of small cast units to form a large part that would be inconvenient to cast as a single unit.

In both structural and machine welding, the welds should be symmetrical with respect to the axis of the welded member unless the loading is unsymmetrical. The latter case is represented in Fig. 8-17, in which, assuming that the stresses at the welds are uniformly distributed,

$$L_a \times a = L_b \times b$$

which represents equilibrium of moments of resistance offered by the fillet welds.

The assumption that the stresses in the welds are uniformly distributed is not true because of the elongation of the welded member under load.

The deviation from uniform distribution of stress is small for short lengths of fillet welds, but becomes considerable for long weld lengths; hence the design of long welds should take into account the concentration of stress at the load-input end of the bead.

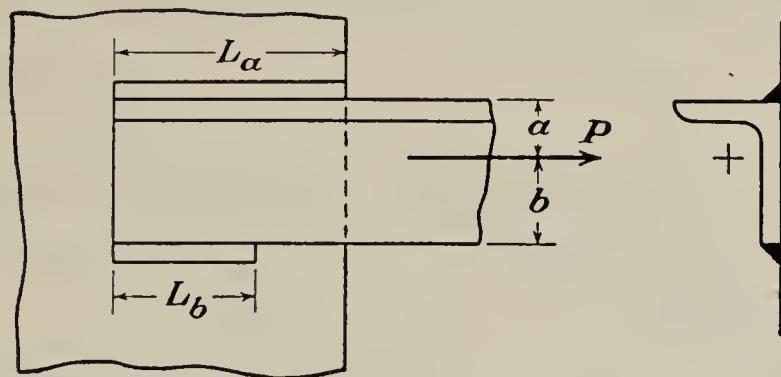


FIG. 8-17. Unsymmetrical welds.

In the design of a welded part, an attempt should be made to arrive at the most economical combination of structural material, of cutting and bending, and of deposited welded metal. It should be realized that deposited weld metal costs per pound from 25 to 50 times as much as structural steel. From this standpoint welded joints should be reduced

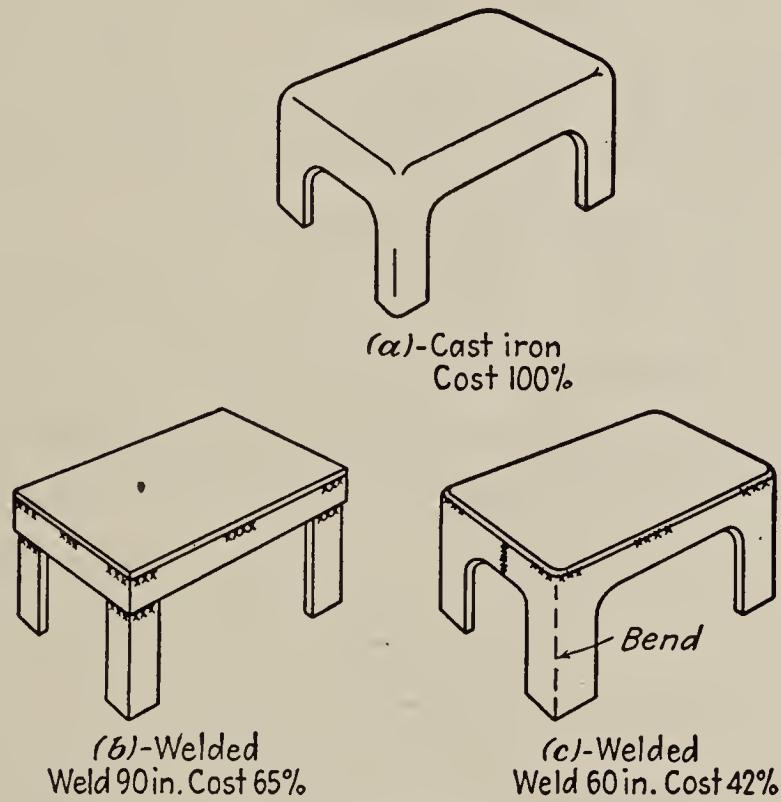


FIG. 8-18. Designs for a support.

to a minimum in favor of the use of formed parts. Figure 8-18 illustrates alternate designs for a support.

Overwelding also should be avoided. In Fig. 8-18(b) and (c), the top of the support need not be held by a continuous weld. Likewise, in welding three strips to form a beam similar in section to an I beam, intermittent welding of the flanges and web is entirely satisfactory and results in considerable reduction in cost.

**8-10 Welding design.**<sup>1</sup> There are three types of welding design, as follows: (a) substitution method, (b) approximate calculation, and (c) precise calculation.

*Substitution method.* In the change-over from a cast, forged, or riveted machine member to a welded design by the use of the substitution

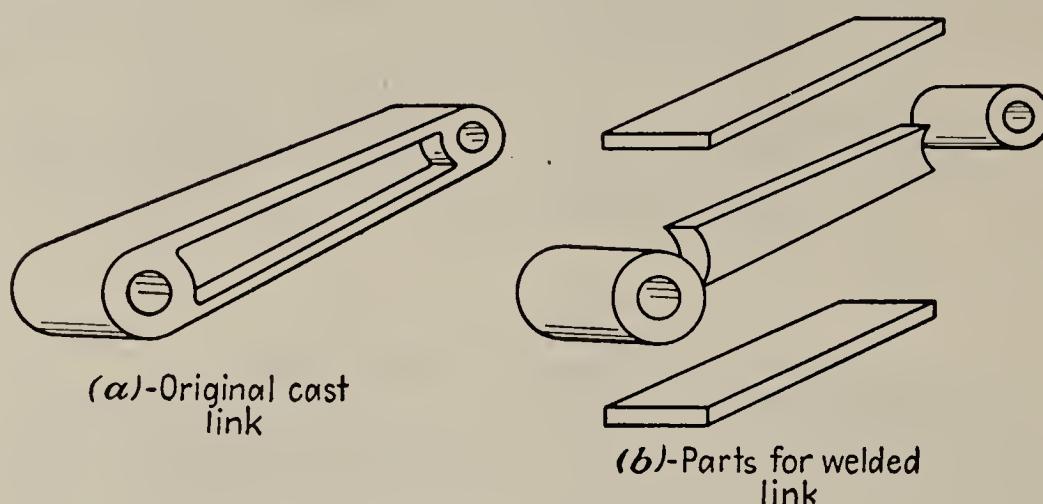


FIG. 8-19. Substitution method in welding design.

method, the welded part is fashioned from plates and structural and formed parts to simulate the shape of the original member. This method is illustrated in Fig. 8-19 in the change-over from a cast-iron to a welded link. If a program calls for changing to welding of a complicated machine, the change-over is generally made on one part at a time in order that any trouble that develops because of the substitution of welding may be localized and dealt with independently.

*Approximate calculation.* This method is generally applied to a new design or to a moderately stressed existing machine member. The sizes of parts and the strengths of the welded joints are determined in accordance with allowable values that have been found satisfactory in practice. Allowable loads for normal and parallel fillet welds are given in Table 8-3.

TABLE 8-3. ALLOWABLE STATIC LOADS ON MILD-STEEL FILLET WELDS

Size of weld, in.	Allowable static load per linear inch of weld, lb			
	Bare welding rod		Shielded arc	
	Normal weld	Parallel weld	Normal weld	Parallel weld
$\frac{1}{8}$	1,000	800	1,250	1,000
$\frac{3}{16}$	1,500	1,200	1,875	1,500
$\frac{1}{4}$	2,000	1,600	2,500	2,000
$\frac{5}{16}$	2,500	2,000	3,125	2,500
$\frac{3}{8}$	3,000	2,400	3,750	3,000
$\frac{1}{2}$	4,000	3,200	5,000	4,000
$\frac{5}{8}$	5,000	4,000	6,250	5,000
$\frac{3}{4}$	6,000	4,800	7,500	6,000

<sup>1</sup> See "Procedure Handbook of Arc Welding Design and Practice," 9th ed., Lincoln Electric Co., 1950.

It may be noted in the table that the values for normal welds are higher than those for parallel welds. This is due to the fact that there is a more uniform distribution of stress for the normal weld than there is along the length of the parallel weld. The values of shielded-arc welds are higher than those for bare welding-rod welds for reasons discussed in Art. 8-7.

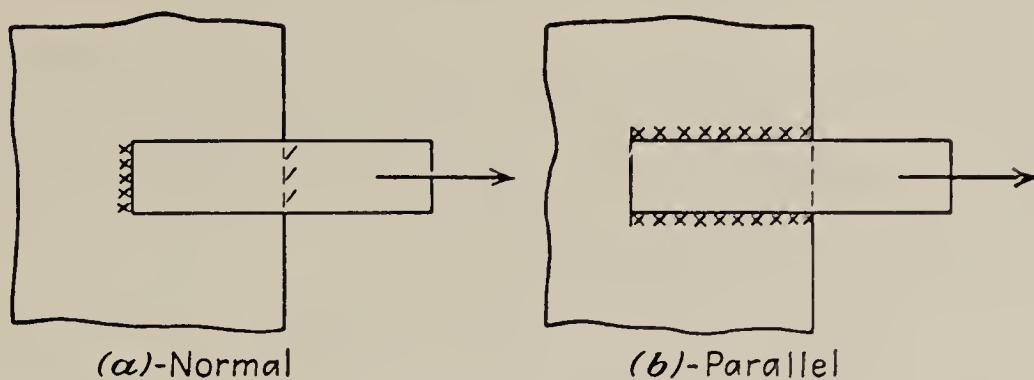


FIG. 8-20. Fillet welds.

In determining the length of weld required,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. should be added to the length of each weld to allow for starting and stopping of the bead.

For welded joints that are subjected to cyclic loading, special precautions are necessary to avoid harmful effects of stress concentration. The

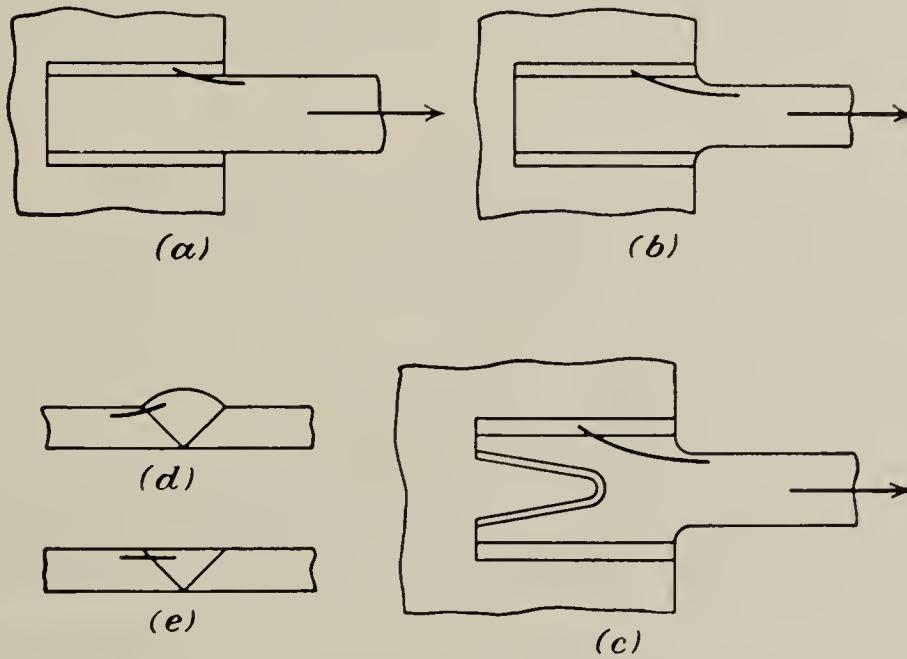


FIG. 8-21. Stress flow lines in welded joints.

precautions should be in accordance with the principles discussed in Chap. 4. The use of stress-flow lines in the design of a welded connection indicates that the joint in Fig. 8-21(b) is stronger in fatigue loading than that shown at (a). Further increases<sup>1</sup> in endurance limit may be realized by the use of the joint similar to that in Fig. 8-21(c). The butt weld shown at (d) and (e) illustrates improvement in endurance limit secured by grinding to form a flush joint.

<sup>1</sup> V. L. Maleev and J. B. Hartman, "Machine Design," 3d ed., p. 200, International Textbook Company, Scranton, Pa., 1954.

**EXAMPLE 8-1.** A structural steel plate 3 in. wide and  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. thick loaded statically in tension by a load of 10,000 lb is welded to a plate with normal welds, as in Fig. 8-20(a). Determine the size of weld required.

**SOLUTION:** The net length of each weld is  $3 - \frac{1}{2} = 2\frac{1}{2}$  in. The load on the two welds would then be

$$\frac{10,000}{2 \times 2.5} = 2,000 \text{ lb per in.}$$

From Table 8-3,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. shielded-arc welds would be satisfactory.

**EXAMPLE 8-2.** A  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. plate 2 in. wide carries a static tensile load of 8,000 lb and is to be welded to a plate by parallel fillet welds, as in Fig. 8-20(b). Determine the length of each weld, using  $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. shielded-arc welds.

**SOLUTION:** The net length of welds (Table 8-3) is

$$\frac{8,000}{2 \times 2,000} = 2 \text{ in.} \quad \text{Use welds } 2\frac{1}{2} \text{ in. long.}$$

TABLE 8-4. MINIMUM SIZE OF FILLET WELDS FOR DIFFERENT THICKNESSES OF PLATE\*

Plate thickness, in.	Minimum weld size, in.
$\frac{1}{8}$ to $\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{1}{8}$
$\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$
$\frac{3}{8}$ to $\frac{5}{8}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
$\frac{3}{4}$ to 1	$\frac{3}{8}$
$1\frac{1}{8}$ to $1\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Over $1\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{4}$

\* From C. H. Jennings, Welding Design, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 58, p. 497, 1936.

**Precise calculations.** This method is used in exceptional cases where the geometry of the joint is unusual or where safety is of prime importance, and where the savings in cost justifies the additional design expenses. In this method an attempt is made to approximate the value of the stresses in the weld and in the adjacent parts of the joint as well as in the structure as a whole. See Table 8-5 for allowable stresses for coated-electrode welds and Table 8-6 for stress-concentration factors for

TABLE 8-5. ALLOWABLE STRESSES FOR COATED-ELECTRODE WELDS ON LOW-CARBON STEELS\*

Type of Weld	Static loads, psi	Cyclic loads, psi
Butt welds:		
Tension.....	16,000	8,000
Compression.....	18,000	8,000
Shear.....	10,000	5,000
Fillet welds:		
Transverse and parallel welds.....	14,000	5,000

\* From C. H. Jennings, Welding Design, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 58, p. 497, 1936.

maximum stresses in these welds. Stress concentration should be considered for cyclic loading but may be neglected for static loading for reasons given in Art. 4-6.

TABLE 8-6. STRESS-CONCENTRATION FACTORS FOR WELDS\*

Type of weld	Stress-concentration factor
Reinforced butt weld.....	1.2
Toe of transverse fillet weld.....	1.5
End of parallel fillet weld.....	2.7
T butt joint with sharp corners.....	2.0

\* From C. H. Jennings, Welding Design, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 48, p. 497, 1936.

In a normal fillet-welded lap joint (Fig. 8-22), the size of the weld is specified by dimension  $ec$  or  $cd$ . These dimensions are equal. The size of the weld is not greater than the thickness of the plate and it may be

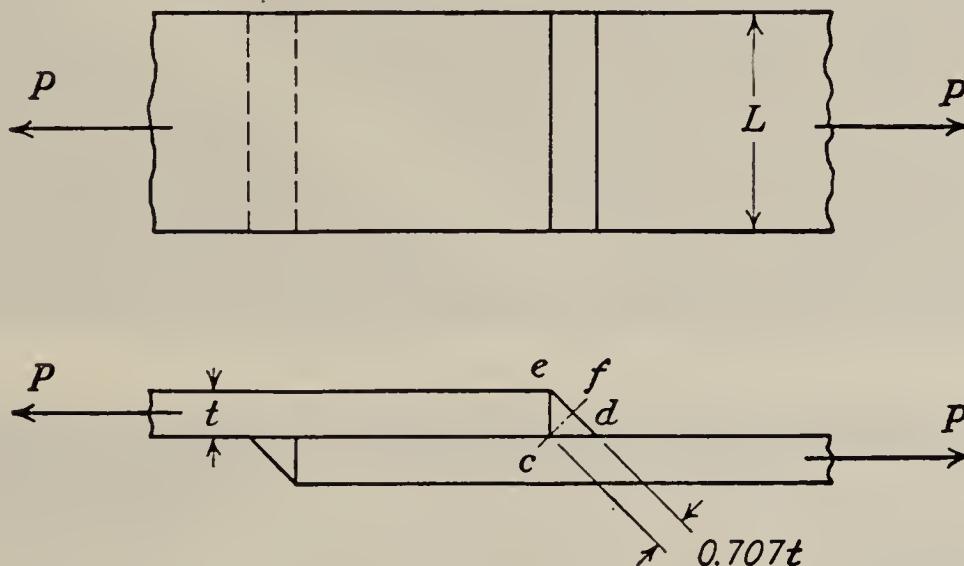
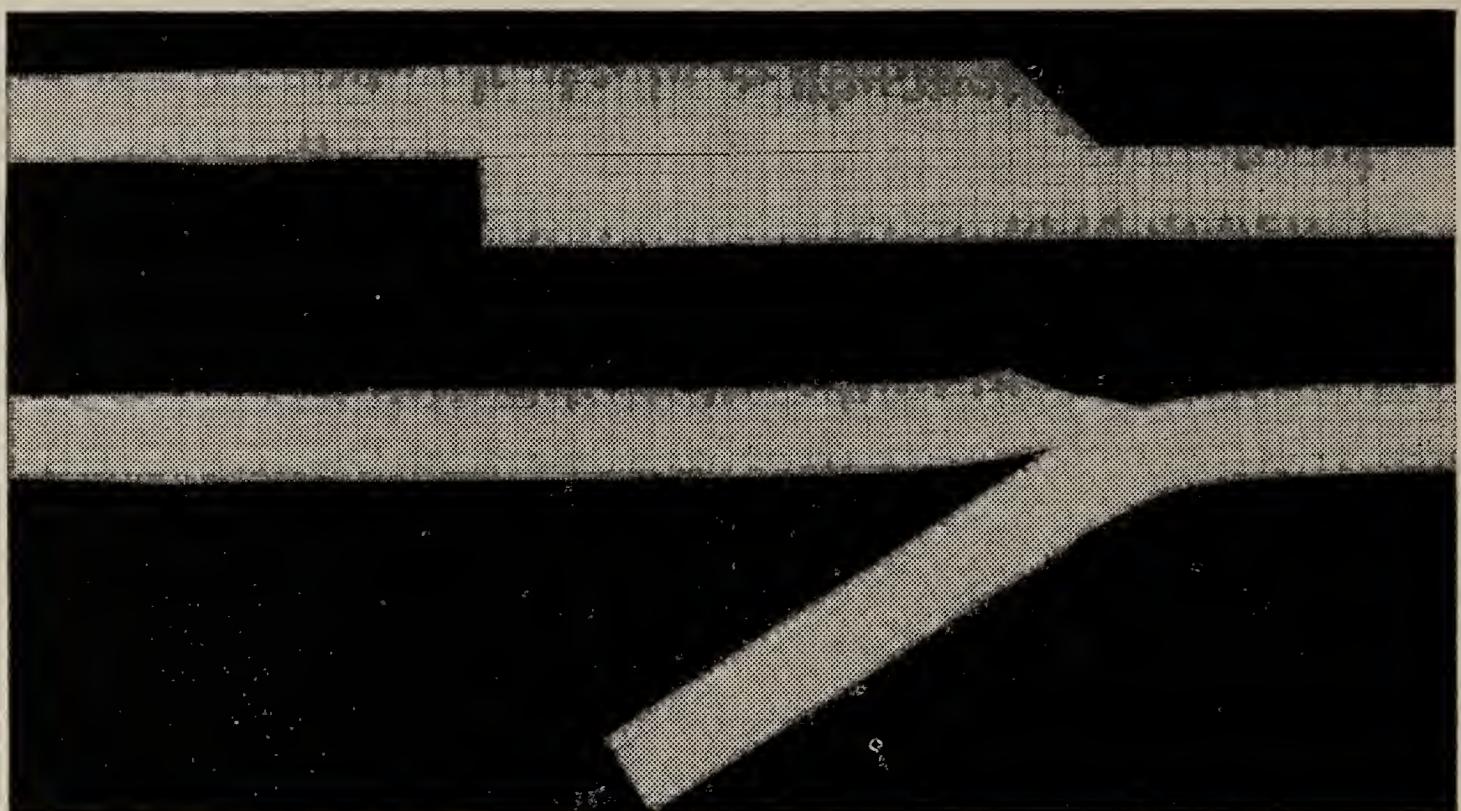


FIG. 8-22. Lap weld.

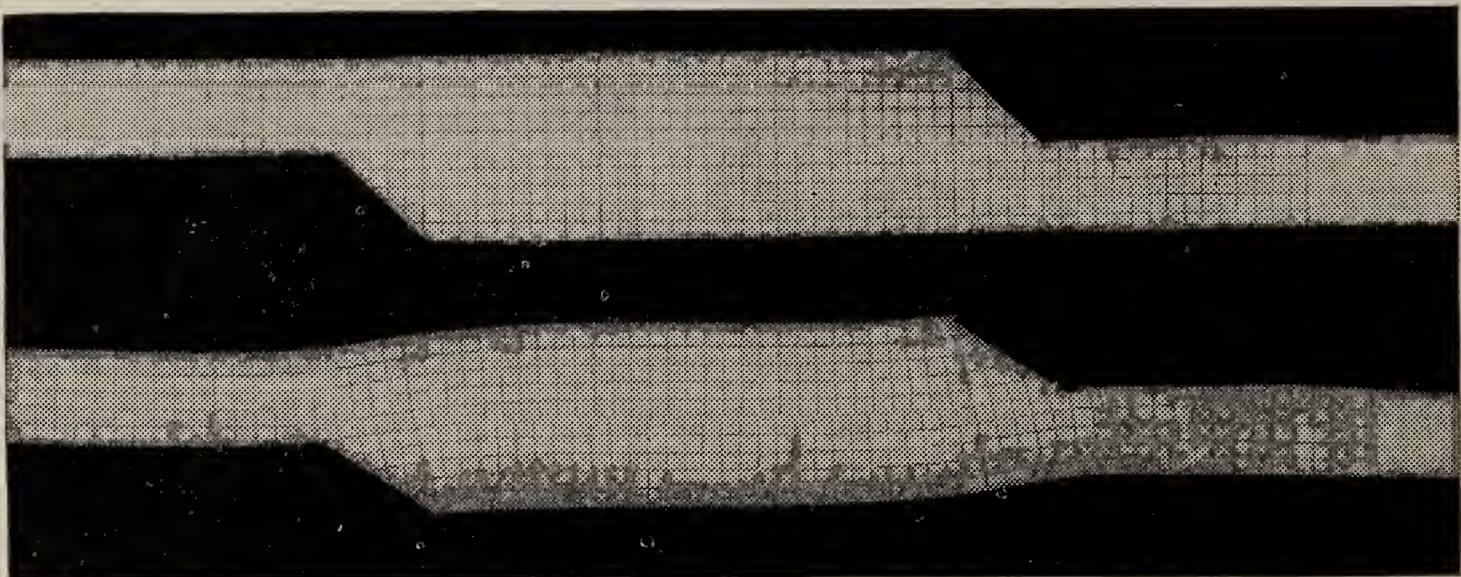
less. Minimum sizes of welds are recommended in Table 8-4. In arriving at the size of welds to be specified, it is well to realize that doubling the size of a weld doubles the strength, but requires four times the metal to be deposited.

In the weld, maximum shearing stresses occur along the face  $cd$  but are concentrated at  $c$  (the heel of the weld) on account of the plate being more rigid than the weld. In normal fillet welds, the stresses may be assumed as uniformly distributed along the length of the weld if the load is centrally applied. In Fig. 8-22 it may be assumed that each of the two welds carries one half of the load  $P$ , so that the normal stress on the section  $ec$  will be equal to  $P/2Lt$ . The component of that load which is normal to the throat section  $cf$  is 0.707 times its value across  $ec$ . Since the area of the throat section  $cf$  is 0.707  $ec$ , it follows that the normal stress across the throat is equal to the tensile stress at  $ec$ . The 0.707 value above is the function of the 45-deg angle of the throat section.

*Single-weld lap joint.* This type of joint should be avoided whenever possible because of the opening of the joint on the unwelded side and because the stresses under load are high and difficult to estimate. The stresses are high because of the sharp bending of the plate. Figure 8-23 shows a rubber model of such a joint in the unloaded and the loaded states and also, for comparison, a model of a double-weld lap joint.



(a) Single-weld lap joint



(b) Double-weld lap joint

FIG. 8-23. Rubber models of lap joints. (Courtesy of Lincoln Electric Company.)

**8-11 Eccentrically loaded joints.** A joint of this type is illustrated in Fig. 8-24. In the design of such a connection, the center of gravity of the weld pattern is located, and at that point, two forces equal and opposite to the external load  $P$  are applied. One of these forces produces shearing stresses on the welds which have a direction parallel to  $P$  and which may be assumed uniformly distributed over the weld pattern. These are called *primary shear stresses*.

The other load  $P$  and the externally applied load acting at the eccentricity  $e$  produce a twisting moment on the welds which induces additional stresses on the welds called *secondary shear stresses*. The analysis of loads on this joint is similar to that on eccentrically loaded rivet groups discussed in Art. 8-3.

The polar moment of inertia of the weld pattern may be taken from Table 8-7. Assuming that the plates are relatively stiff and that the deformation under load is concentrated at the welds, the secondary shearing stress at any part of the welds will be proportional to its distance from the center of twist. It follows that the maximum secondary shearing

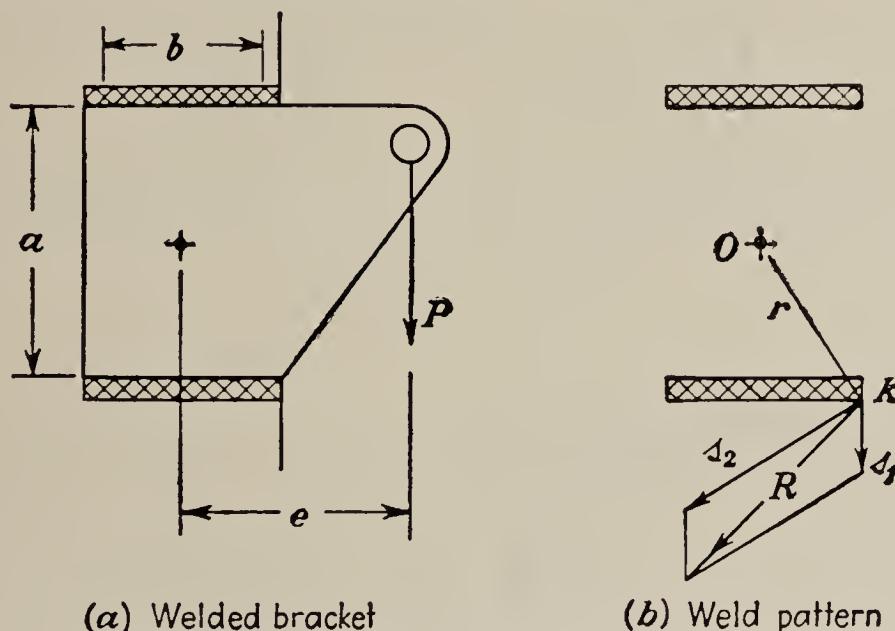


FIG. 8-24. Bracket attached to support by fillet welds.

stress will occur at the corners of the weld pattern. The secondary shearing stress may be added vectorially to the primary stress to determine the maximum shearing stress. It can usually be determined by inspection where the resultant stress will be a maximum at any part of the joint. The location is  $k$  in Fig. 8-24.

**EXAMPLE.** Assume in Fig. 8-24 that the load  $P = 1,500$  lb,  $e = 5$  in.,  $a = 3$  in., and  $b = 2$  in. The latter dimension is  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. shorter than the weld to allow for starting and stopping of the bead. Determine the size of weld required for static loading.

**SOLUTION:** The polar moment of inertia is

$$J = \frac{bt(3a^2 + b^2)}{6} = \frac{2t(3 \times 3^2 + 2^2)}{6} = 10.3t$$

The radius to the most remote area is

$$r = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2} = 1.8 \text{ in.}$$

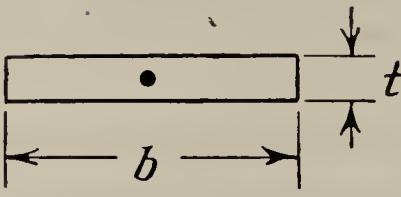
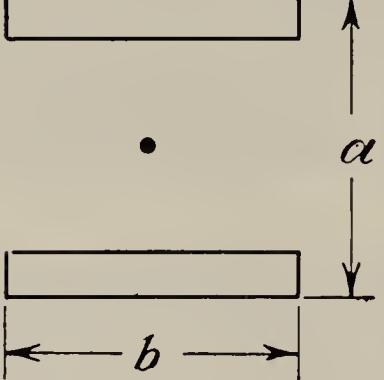
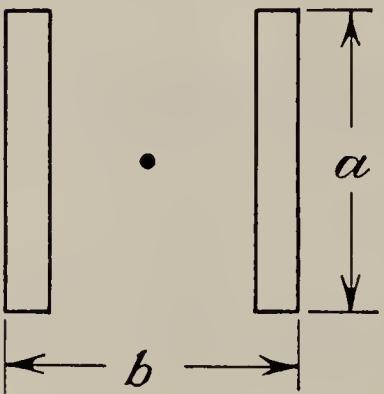
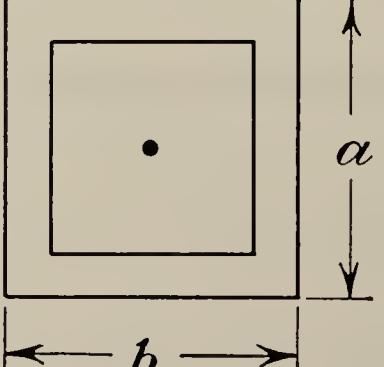
The primary shear stress is

$$s_1 = \frac{P}{2bt} = \frac{1,500}{2 \times 2t} = \frac{375}{t}$$

The secondary shear stress is

$$s_2 = \frac{Tr}{J} = \frac{(1,500 \times 5) \times 1.8}{10.3t} = \frac{1,310}{t}$$

TABLE 8-7. POLAR MOMENT OF INERTIA FOR WELD PATTERNS

Weld pattern	Polar moment of inertia $J^*$
	$\frac{tb^3}{12}$
	$\frac{ta^3}{12}$
	$\frac{bt(3a^2 + b^2)}{6}$
	$\frac{bt(a^2 + 3b^2)}{6}$
	$\frac{t(a + b)^3}{6}$

\* Approximate.

The primary shear stress is always directed parallel to  $P$ . The secondary shear stress is maximum at the four corners of the weld and is in a direction perpendicular to its radius  $r$  drawn from the center of twist to the corner. The resultant stress is the vector sum of the primary and secondary stresses and it is apparent by inspection that the maximum resultant stress occurs at location  $k$ , as indicated in the stress pattern. The resultant stress  $R$  may be determined analytically or graphically and is found to be equal to  $1,550/t$ .

This shearing stress would act along the leg of the weld ( $cd$  in Fig. 18-22). The throat of the weld, however, is smaller than the leg and to be on the side of safety, it is customary to use the throat area, even though the shear stresses as calculated do not lie in that plane. This consideration would require using  $0.707t$  instead of  $t$  for the section.

The maximum stress then would be equal to

$$\frac{1,550}{0.707t} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{2,190}{t}$$

Using an allowable stress from Table 8-5 equal to 14,000 psi, the size of the weld is

$$t = \frac{2,190}{14,000} = 0.156 \text{ in.}$$

A  $\frac{3}{16}$ -in. weld would be specified.

**8-12 Stress relieving.** As the molten metal solidifies and cools in a welded joint, and as the parts adjacent to the joint cool, stresses are set up in the parts owing to volumetric contraction. These local stresses may in some cases become very high, and improperly welded joints may crack on cooling owing to these residual stresses. If the welded parts are rigidly attached to restraining members, additional stresses may be set up because of general cooling of the structure after welding is completed.

If the material of the structure is ductile, the seriousness of the residual stresses may be alleviated owing to plastic flow. Since the weld metal itself is essentially cast, its ductility will generally be lower than that of the parent metal, and it cannot be depended on to relieve residual stresses materially, unless special electrodes are used. Therefore, in order to prevent residual stresses from becoming serious, the parts welded should be made of ductile material and provision should be made, if possible, for flexibility of the parts during cooling of the welds. The principle involved is shown in Fig. 8-25 in which two members joined by fillet welds are not placed in contact, so that contraction of the parts will not be restrained in the vertical direction in the sketch.<sup>1</sup> Intermittent welding may be desirable in long welds in order to prevent concentration of the effects of heating and cooling of the parts welded and the weld itself. Preheating of the parts may also be desirable in some instances.

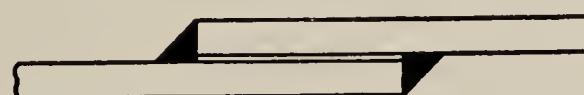


FIG. 8-25. Lap weld with provision for lateral contraction.

<sup>1</sup> S. C. Hollister, Stress Relieving, "Welding Handbook," American Welding Society, 1938.

In a structure made of both welded and riveted parts, the welding should precede the riveting so far as possible.

Residual stresses may be relieved after welding by suitable heat-treatment. The temperature, rate, and time of heat-treatment depend on the size and thickness of the parts and on the plasticizing rate of the material. Highly stressed parts whose failure would involve life hazard or expensive structure damage, such as welded pressure vessels and welded penstocks, should be stress relieved; this applies also to parts which require close tolerances or those subjected to impact and fatigue loading.

In welded steam-generator drums, stress relieving is effective in reducing caustic embrittlement.

Hand peening of the joint while it is hot is effective in increasing the strength of the joint, particularly in austenitic steel, but overpeening should be avoided. Indications are that peening reduces residual stresses in parts of the weld that may be in the plastic state and that it also introduces some cold working.

It is not generally necessary to stress-relieve welded machine members if they have been properly designed with special precautions to avoid stress concentrations, and if they have been welded properly. However, in highly stressed parts and in parts subjected to repeated loading, stress relief may be necessary.

**8-13 Testing and inspection of welds.** The mechanical testing of welds in either static or fatigue loading has in general three purposes, as follows:

1. *Comparison of strengths of joints.* This comparison may be for (a) welds of different geometry, for example, in comparing the strengths of a single-V butt weld with a double-V butt weld, or of a full bead with a flush bead weld, or of a rectangular splice plate in a beam connection with a diamond-shaped plate, as shown in Fig. 8-26. Or (b) the comparison may be for the purpose of determining the effect on strength of using, for example, welding rods of different composition, rods of different sizes in electric-arc welding, or bare versus coated electrode welds.

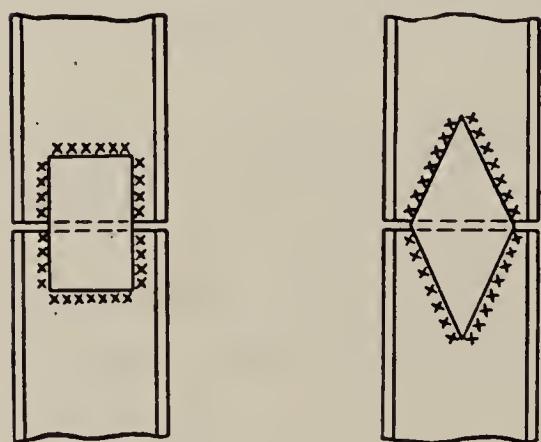


FIG. 8-26. Splice plates.

2. *Testing of filler metal.* In this type of testing of welds, specimens are prepared by machining from a welded joint a part of the deposited metal and the adjacent parent metal. The specimens are used to determine yield point, ductility, nature of bond between deposited metal and parent metal, and chemical composition.

3. *Qualification tests of welders.* Standard joints are made and they are tested to determine the quality of the welding. These procedure tests are made periodically and aid in maintaining consistent high-quality welding.

Inspection of welds, sometimes called *nondestructive testing*, is specified in some instances. The most commonly used of these methods, each having its own fields of application, are as follows:

*Visual inspection.* A method of inspection available to skilled operators is known as "visual inspection," which means that the operator observes as the bead is "laid down" characteristics of its formation that are a good indication of the quality of the weld. These characteristics are rate of burning off of the electrode, fusion and penetration, forming of the bead in the joint, and the sound of the arc. The evaluation of these dynamic characteristics involves a certain amount of the "personal element" in the operator, but, taken together, they are one of the best indications of the quality of a weld as they permit the operator, as it might be said, to see inside the joint.

*X-ray inspection.* The x-ray equipment is expensive and is not portable, and hence such inspection is available only where large numbers of parts must be inspected and where the parts are not too large to be conveniently transported. The limitation of the method is the thickness of material suitable for penetration in a reasonable time. Two inches is generally considered to be the upper limit of metal thickness for ordinary work although up to 5-in. sections have been satisfactorily defined in photographs.

*Gamma-ray inspection.* The gamma-ray equipment may be portable, and hence is adaptable to field work. The cost of the equipment is lower than the x-ray equipment; however, the radium required makes its use expensive. The gamma rays penetrate the work more rapidly than x-rays, hence this method is suitable for inspecting thick plates.

*Magniflux method.* This method uses magnetic dust, applied either dry or in an oil bath. The welded part, which of course must be magnetic, is magnetized and the magnetic dust assumes a pattern in the vicinity of the joint which gives valuable indications of surface defects and some subsurface defects, such as cracks and other discontinuities and inclusions. If residual magnetism is objectionable, as in aircraft parts, it should be removed by demagnetization.

*Stethoscope method.* In this method, the soundness of the weld may be determined by means of the characteristics of the sound or ring produced by tapping the weld with a light hammer. The sound is analyzed by the operator using a stethoscope as an aid. The condition of the weld can be quite accurately determined by skilled operators.

**8-14 Rolling, spinning, and seaming.** These are analogous operations in which (usually) circular or cylindrical thin metal parts are rotated on a

spindle while forming rolls shape the part. Figure 8-27 shows a welded V-belt sheave for which the edges of the flange were curled by the forming rolls.

**8-15 Stitching.** Thin metal sheets may be joined by stitching, in which mild steel clips have their ends punched through the overlapped sheets and then bent over to form the stitch.

**8-16 Manufacturing processes.<sup>1</sup>** The manufacturing processes may be considered in three groups: (a) *forming* processes, such as casting, forging, rolling, and machining to dimension; (b) *fabricating* processes, such as soldering, brazing, and welding; (c) *finishing* processes, such as finish machining or grinding, honing, lapping, and superfinishing. A brief discussion of these processes follows.

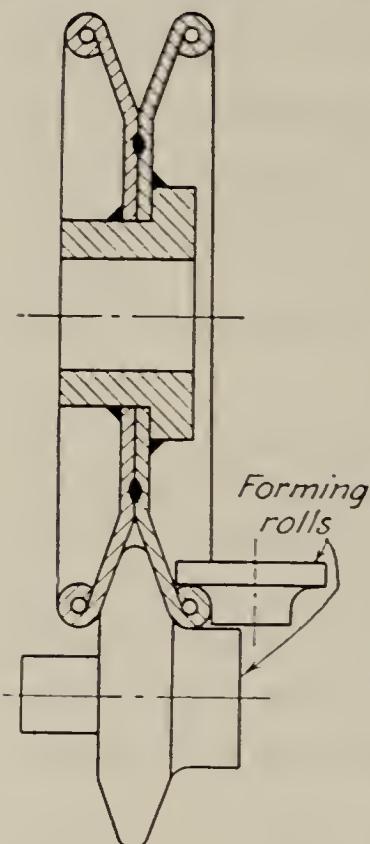


FIG. 8-27. Fabricated V-belt sheave.

design should strive for as much material as possible in one plane and for the avoidance of undercut surfaces and deep recesses.

*Rolling* in a rolling mill is used to form long members of uniform section, such as bars, rails, structural sections, and plates. The material may be hot-rolled for large reduction in section or cold-rolled for accurate sizing or grain control. Rolling may also be used to form gear teeth and screw threads and to form sheet metal to desired shapes.

*The cold-metal processes* include shearing, blanking, bending, drawing, which is used primarily for forming rods and shafting and for producing cup-shaped parts from flat blanks, and squeezing, which includes coining and extrusion. Metal spinning is a type of drawing used for forming surfaces of revolution including beads and seams. The extrusion process is

<sup>1</sup> H. C. Hesse, "Engineering Tools and Processes," D. Van Nostrand Company, Inc., New York, 1941; M. L. Begeman, "Manufacturing Processes," John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1942.

used to form the softer metals, such as aluminum and magnesium alloys, into a variety of shapes.

*Sintering* is a process that is used to combine compressed powdered metals or a mixture of powdered metals by heat-treatment so that a rigid piece having desirable properties is formed. Nonmetallic substances may or may not be included. The process may be used to produce accurately sized parts which are composed of materials which will not mix or which cannot be solidified from the molten state, and it may also be used for parts which can be produced more economically by sintering than by other processes. The strength and porosity of the finished parts can be accurately controlled. Some examples of sintered products are bearing sleeves which are used for bearings inaccessible for lubrication and which are composed of a mixture of bronze and graphite, porous bronze bearing sleeves which are impregnated with oil, and bronze and iron parts which are used as gears for oil pumps and pistons for hydraulic controls; other examples are refractory products and cutting tips for machine tools.

*Soldering, brazing, and welding.* Soldering and brazing are used to join metal parts by the use of a filler metal whose melting temperature is lower than that of the metals to be joined. Brazing uses a harder filler metal than is used in soldering and forms a stronger joint. Brazing in a furnace is very effective and forms strong and neat joints. Welding is used as a fabrication medium to join parts permanently and to form built-up members as substitutes for castings and forgings, as a joining medium to replace fastenings as rivets and bolts, and as a repair medium to replace broken or worn sections of members. Welding is discussed in Art. 8-7.

**8-17 Design of castings.** An important consideration in the design of castings is volumetric contraction or shrinkage, which takes place as the metal cools from the molten state to the solid state. In many cases the contraction is restrained by the mold or cores or by adjacent parts of the casting that have solidified earlier in the cooling process. The restrained contraction gives rise to internal stresses that may lead to failure in service.

In general, the necessity for considering the effects of contraction and for designing the casting to minimize harmful effects increases with the melting temperature and the volumetric contraction of the metal. Thus castings of low-melting-point metals and alloys generally may be designed without special regard for effects of contraction; iron castings require medium precautions; and steel castings require great care and special considerations.

Some general features that should be considered in the design of castings are discussed in the following paragraphs. They apply specifically

to steel castings. However, their incorporation should result in the improvement of any casting.<sup>1</sup>

Large risers are desirable to supply liquid metal to compensate for loss of volume during solidification. To ensure proper flow of molten metal, the position of the mold during pouring should be considered.

Provision should be made for solidification in a progressive manner from the lowest points of the casting to the risers. Progressive solidification requires the avoidance of relatively large isolated masses of metal. Gradual changes in section should be used where possible.

Avoid sharp corners. External corners should be rounded off. Generous fillets should be used to join sections, although it is not advisable to use long fillets with radii greater than the thickness of the sections they adjoin. An oversize fillet may introduce the effect of concentration of mass.

Use properly spaced ribs or brackets. A rib or bracket has great strengthening and stiffening effect in service and in addition, since it is thin, it cools quickly and provides support for the sections it adjoins during cooling, thus lessening distortion of the casting. Webs perform the same functions of lessening distortion of the casting and provide strength and stiffness in service. At the junction of sections and a rib, concentration of metal may

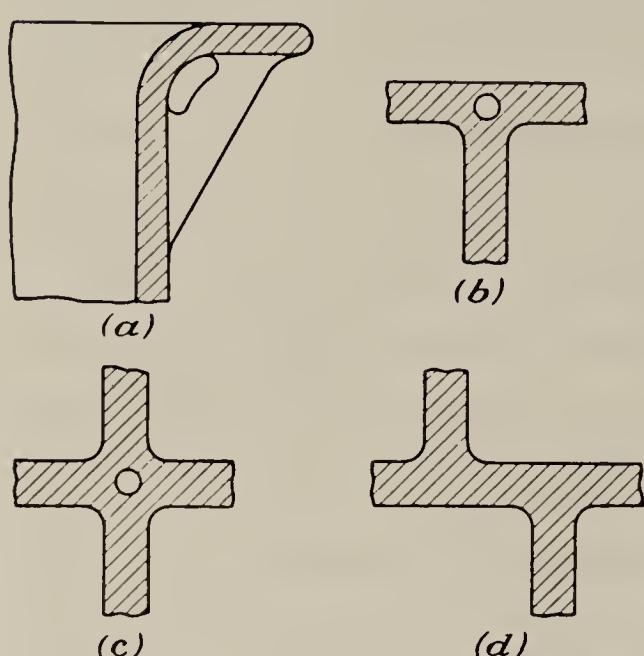


FIG. 8-28. Reduction of concentration of mass.

be avoided by the use of a cored rib as shown in Fig. 8-28. A T junction may be cored as shown at (b) to reduce concentration of masses of metal and possibility of forming shrinkage cavities. An X junction may be similarly cored as shown at (c) or offset as shown at (d).

When the design of a steel casting becomes complicated, consideration should be given to the use of smaller cast parts assembled by welding or bolting.

The precautions and suggestions discussed above are some of the more important special features that should be incorporated in the design of a casting, and are intended to be considered in addition to the usual casting design details, such as providing draft, shrinkage and finish allowances, pads for locating points, avoidance of sections too thin to cast or control, caution in the use of inserts and chaplets, and avoidance of deep recesses and undercuts. It is desirable that the designer have an insight into the

<sup>1</sup> See Briggs, Gezelius, and Donaldson, *Steel Casting Design for the Engineer and Foundryman*, *Trans. Am. Foundrymen's Soc.*, vol. 46, 1938.

effects of size and shape of the casting on the properties of the metal and that he consult with the foundryman and the metallurgist during the design of castings in order that quality and economy be ensured.<sup>1</sup>

**8-18 Surface finish.** The surface finish is very important from the standpoint of serviceability, appearance, and production cost of a machine member. The type and quality of surface finish has great influence on friction characteristics, wear, endurance limit, and effects of corrosion of machine members.

Since the fine finishing operations remove surface cracks, a polished member will have a higher endurance limit than one with a rough surface. Highly stressed members subjected to cyclic loading, such as the aircraft connecting rod in Fig. 4-9, may therefore be polished.

Members subjected to a corrosive environment may have a coating or plating to resist the corrosive action.

The appearance of the part, or of the complete machine, may be greatly improved by the use of proper finishes and the judicious use of decorative trims.<sup>2</sup>

**8-19 Sampling and inspection.** In securing samples for the purpose of determining chemical composition or physical properties of the material of which a machine member is made, it is important to have the sample representative of the metal in the part. For check analyses, samples should be secured in accordance with established standards. For castings, test coupons either attached or separately cast should be provided. The coupons are subjected to the same heat-treatment as the castings and used for metallurgical and mechanical testing.

The finished product or samples may be subjected to the usual mechanical tests to determine hardness, tensile strength, yield point, ductility, notched-bar or impact-test values, or for ratings, such as Magnaflux ratings, which indicate seams, cracks, inclusions, and cavities. X-ray or gamma-ray inspection may also be necessary.

<sup>1</sup> The "Cast Metals Handbook," American Foundrymen's Society, and the "Steel Castings Handbook," Steel Founders' Society, are sources of considerable information on the subject of casting design.

<sup>2</sup> Harold Van Doren, "Industrial Design," 2d ed., McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1954.

## CHAPTER 9

### DETACHABLE FASTENINGS

**9-1 General remarks.** Some machine parts must be so constructed that they may be readily connected or disconnected without damage to the machine or the fastening. This requirement may be for the purpose of holding or adjustment in assembly or service, inspection, repair, or replacement, or it may be for manufacturing or assembly reasons. The parts may be rigidly connected, or provision may be made for predetermined relative motion.

Detachable fastenings perform the functions mentioned above. They are of many forms and degrees of ease of assembly or disassembly. Some types require special tools for this purpose, and some have special locking devices, while others depend solely on friction to hold them in place. They have in common, however, positive connection or in some cases set limits of motion, and relative ease of connection and disconnection with no damage to parts.

Some of the more common types of detachable fastenings are described in the following paragraphs.

**9-2 Screw fastenings.** A screw fastening is composed of *two* elements, as illustrated by a bolt and nut. Frequently one of the parts to be connected is so constructed that it becomes one of the elements of the fastening. In fact, both of the parts to be connected may serve as the elements of the fastening as in the case of a handle with a thread turned on one end to engage in a tapped hole in a lever.

The choice of type of fastening is very important; the location or placing also is equally important. Fastenings should be located and placed so that they will be subjected to tensile and/or shear loads, and bending of the fastening should be reduced to a minimum. Bending of the fastening due to misalignment, tightening-up loads, or external loads has been responsible for many failures. To relieve fastenings of bending stresses, the use of clearance spaces, spherical-seat washers, or other devices may be necessary.

Some common types of screw fastenings are described as follows:

*Bolts.* A bolt has a head at one end and a nut fitted to the other, as shown in Fig. 9-1(a) where it is used to attach a cylinder head to a cylinder.

*Tap bolt.* In Fig. 9-1(b) is shown a tap bolt engaging in a tapped hole in the cylinder wall. If the cylinder head is removed frequently, the thread in the hole may become worn, necessitating costly repairs.

*Studs* as shown in Fig. 9-1(c) are threaded at both ends. One end is screwed into the tapped hole in the cylinder wall and the other end receives the nut.

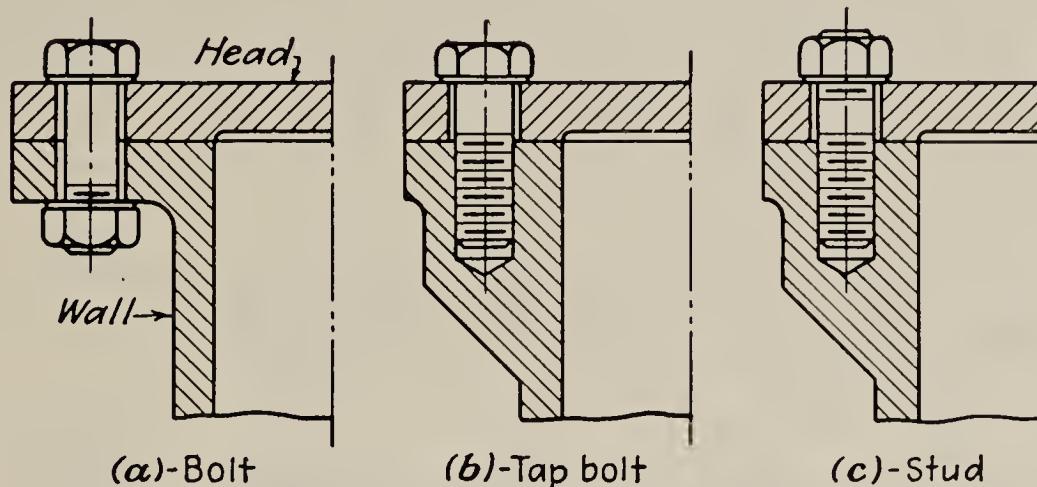


FIG. 9-1. Types of screw fastenings.

Of the three types of fastenings described above, the bolt makes the best connection from the standpoint of construction cost, the tap bolt and stud result in a saving in space and weight since a smaller flange is required, and the stud has a replacement advantage over the tap bolt in the event of wear of the thread.

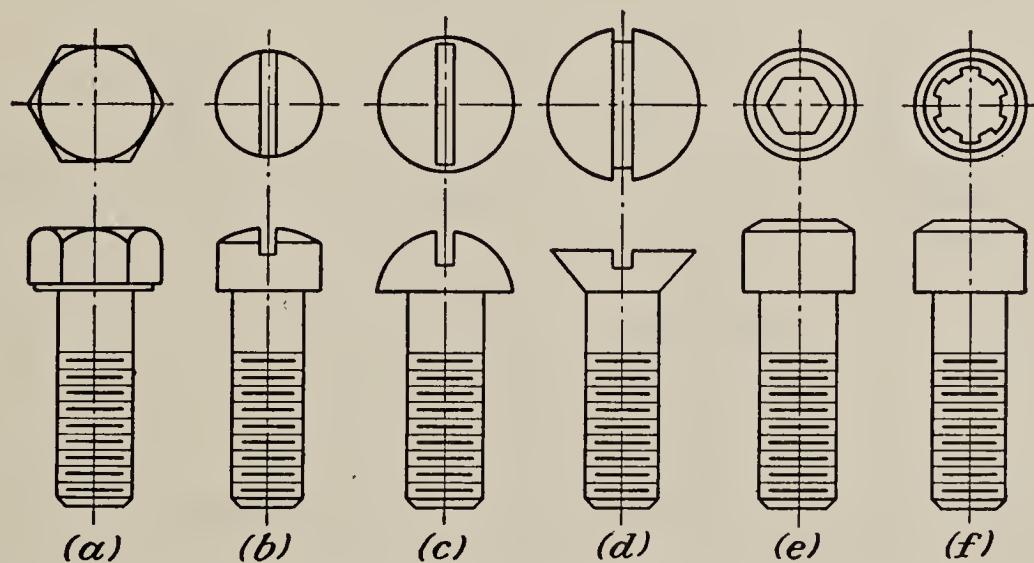


FIG. 9-2. Cap screws with various types of heads; (a) hexagonal; (b) filister; (c) button; (d) flat; (e) hexagonal socket; (f) fluted socket.

*Cap screws* are similar to small-size tap bolts except that a greater variety of shapes of heads are available, as shown in Fig. 9-2. Shouldered cap screws also are in common use.

*Machine screws* are cap screws slotted for a screw driver and are generally used with a nut.

*Setscrews* are used to prevent relative motion between parts. They may be used instead of a key to prevent relative motion between a hub

and a shaft in light power-transmission members, or they may be used in connection with a key, where they prevent relative axial motion of the shaft, key, and hub assembly. Some types of setscrews having different types of heads and points are shown in Fig. 9-3. Various combinations of heads and points are available.

*Locking devices.*<sup>1</sup> In a tightened screw fastening there are two opposing external forces present: (a) a loosening force due to the action of the axial load which tends to unscrew the fastening, and (b) the force of friction which tends to resist the unscrewing motion. Screw fastenings are designed so that the friction force is expected to prevent unscrewing or loosening of the fastening.

Ordinary threaded fastenings generally remain tight under the action of static loads; however, many of these fastenings become loose under

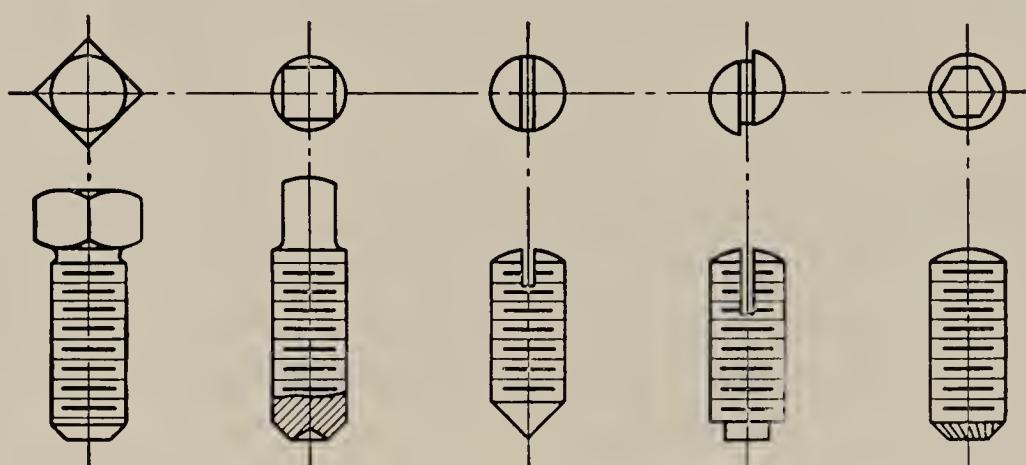


FIG. 9-3. Setscrews.

the action of cyclic loads. Thus fastenings subjected to pulsating service loads or to vibration require restraint from loosening in addition to that offered by thread and collar friction.<sup>2</sup> A large number of locking devices are available. Some of these are described as follows: The *jam nut*, or *lock nut*, is shown in Fig. 9-4(a). The *castle nut* to be used with a cotter pin is shown at (b). Two types of *split nuts* are shown at (c); the first has the split closed after threading as shown, so that screwing the nut on the bolt will open the split and introduce additional thread friction; the second has the split opened by the small screw after the bolt is tightened. The *Everlock Locknut* is shown at (d). The *elastic stop nut* shown at (e) employs a hard fiber or nylon collar recessed in the nut that becomes threaded as the nut is screwed on the bolt causing a tight grip. This type of nut is especially effective in parts subjected to vibration. Some types of lock washer are shown at (f).

<sup>1</sup> Whittemore, Nusbaum, and Seaquist, The Relation of Torque to Tension for Threadlocking Devices, *Natl. Bur. Standards Research Paper* 386, 1931.

<sup>2</sup> J. N. Goodier and R. J. Sweeney, Loosening by Vibration of Threaded Fastenings, *Mech. Eng.*, vol. 67, no. 12, p. 798, December, 1945.

In Fig. 9-4(a), the standard thickness nut is placed next to the work with the thin nut (jam nut) on top. The reverse arrangement, *i.e.*, placing the thicker nut on top is preferred by some designers since, as can be shown,<sup>1</sup> the upper nut carries a greater load than the bottom one and it is concluded that the top nut should be the thick one with the thin one next to the work. However, it has been shown by Goodier and Sweeney that the first few threads next to the loaded face of a nut carry most of the load; hence, it appears that the positioning of the nuts is not

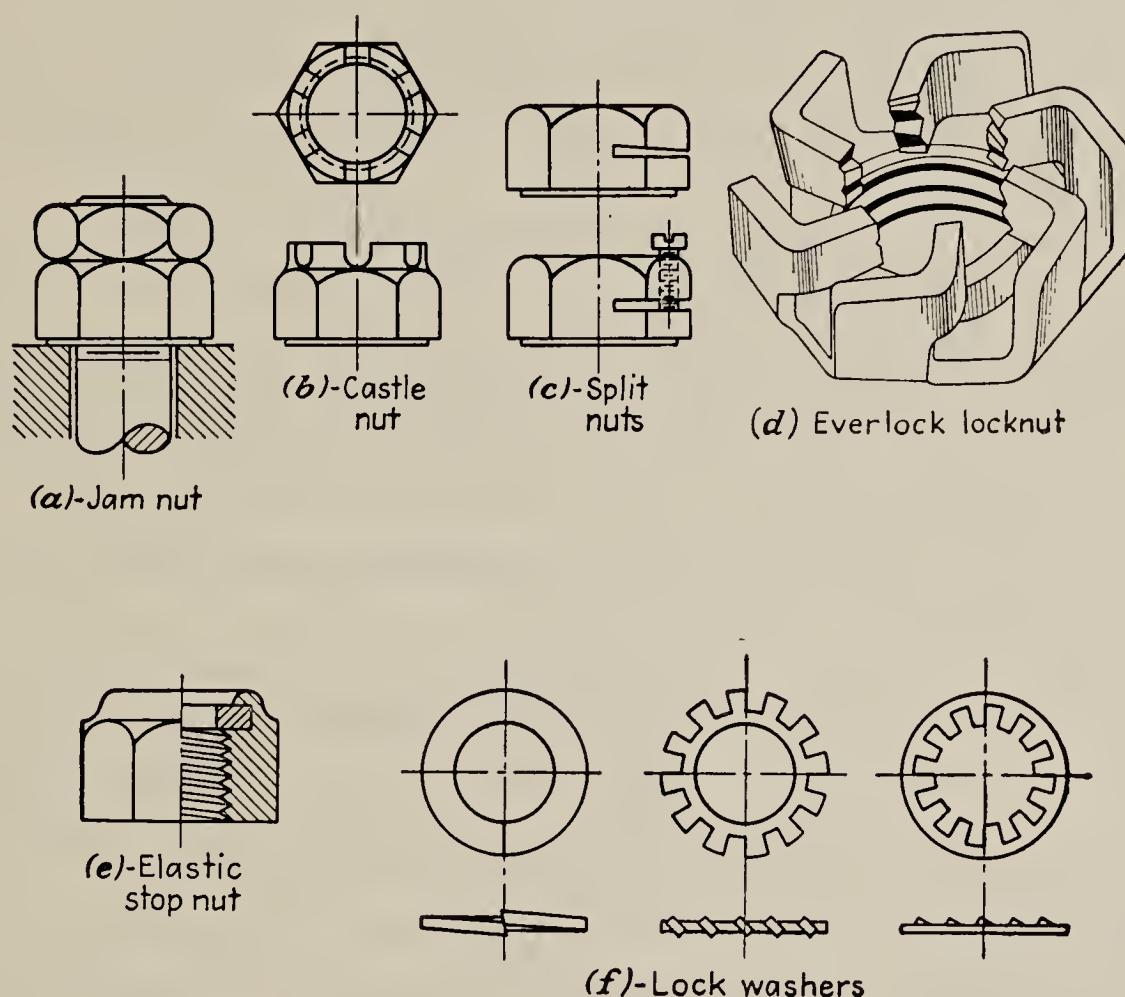


FIG. 9-4. Locking devices.

of primary importance from the standpoint of loading. Ease of assembly is favored by placing the thick nut next to the work where it can be held by a standard wrench during tightening, whereas placing the thin nut on first requires a thin wrench to hold it.

Multiple threads may be used in cases in which a combination of fine threads is required because of space limitations and rapid axial motion, as in a fountain-pen cap or a quick-locking screw. In all standard fastenings, however, a single thread of small pitch is used in order to secure a large holding force and to lessen the tendency to shake loose in service.

<sup>1</sup> W. E. Horenburger, Evaluating Self-locking Nuts, "Machine Design," p. 135, Penton Publishing Company, Cleveland, 1946.

Commonly used screw-thread terminology is as follows:

*Pitch* is the axial distance between corresponding points on two consecutive turns

*Lead* is the distance the nut advances during one revolution

*Diameters*:

*Major*, or outside, diameter

*Minor*, or root, diameter

Unless otherwise stated, specifications of screw fastenings refer to the *major* diameter of the fastening. Thus, a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. bolt refers to a bolt  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. in outside diameter.

**9-3 Forms of screw threads for fastenings.** The right-hand thread is always used unless there is a special reason for requiring a left-hand thread and, unless otherwise stated, specifications for threads imply right-hand threads.

The *American National thread* was the standard thread form for fastenings in the United States until November, 1948, when the Unified Screw Thread Standard was adopted. The *Unified Standard* now applies to government and industry in Great Britain, Canada, and the United States. The threads now standard in the United States adhere to the Unified and American Screw Thread Standard ASA B1.1-1949 and are referred to as the *American Unified* thread form designated by UN following the thread size.

All American standard threads whether unified or not are interchangeable among themselves and may be used with the British form, although there may be in some pieces slight interference of metal in the threads which is not serious. Only Unified threads, however, are interchangeable in the sense that tolerances are completely maintained.

The differences between the new American Standard and the old National Standard forms are that the old standard forms had flats at the crests and roots of the threads, whereas the new standard has rounded roots and rounded crests. During a change-over period it is optional whether the external thread crests are rounded or flat. The thread angle in both the old and new standards is 60 deg.

Another difference is in the tolerance and gauging system which has been reworked to permit interchangeability, and also there are some changes in thread series and in the classes; the old class 1 and class 4 have been dropped and Classes 2A and 2B and 3A and 3B have been introduced. In the new classes, A refers to the external thread tolerances and B refers to the internal thread tolerances. Classes 2A and 2B will be used generally for fastenings (the latter for closer fits), and classes 3A and 3B for refined fits. Actually the old classes 2 and 3 have been carried over in the new standards but their use is expected to disappear gradually in favor of the 2A and 2B and 3A and 3B classes.

The thread form for the Unified and American Standard is shown in Fig. 9-5.

For the three series, *coarse* threads are intended for general industrial purposes; *fine* threads are for applications which require fine adjustment

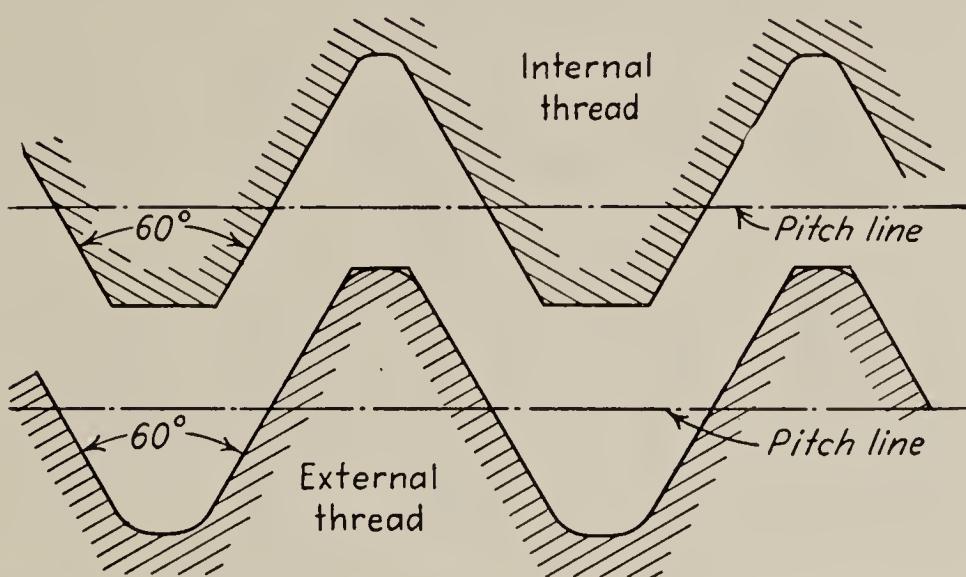


FIG. 9-5. Unified and American screw-thread form. Threads shown separated for clarity. Crests on external threads may be rounded or flat.

or additional tightness and resistance to loosening due to vibration. The *extra-fine* series is used for special applications. Table 9-1 shows thread sizes for the coarse and fine series threads.

In designating screw threads, the nominal size is given first (in inches or numbers), hyphen, number of threads per inch, letters of the thread form and series, hyphen, and class of tolerance. For example: 1/2-20 UNC-2A indicates a Unified bolt having a nominal diameter of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., with 20 threads per inch, National coarse series with allowances and tolerances for class 2A fit for the bolt. The mating nut would carry the same designation except that it would be 2B instead of 2A.

*Aero threads.* The Aero thread employs an insert made of wire of section as shown in Fig. 9-6. The insert is shaped like a coil spring and is screwed into the threaded recess in the nut or threaded member, thus forming a thread for the engagement of the bolt or screw. The thread spaces of the bolt or screw are approximately semicircular in section, and as a result, little stress concentration is introduced. The bottom of the thread in the nut or threaded member is sharp, but stress concentration at this location is generally not serious, since the nominal stress is low.

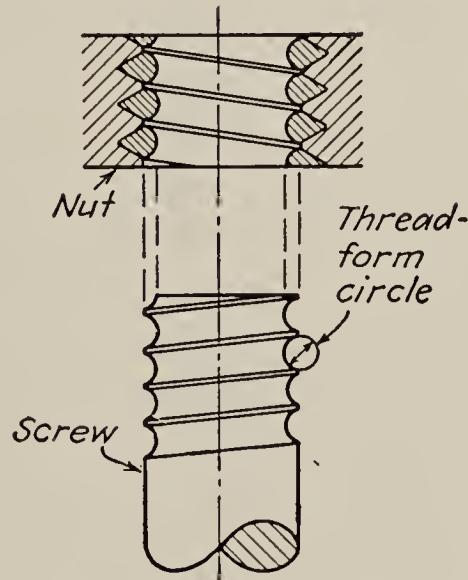


FIG. 9-6. Aero thread.

TABLE 9-1. UNIFIED AND AMERICAN SCREW-THREAD SIZES

Size	Coarse threads		Fine threads	
	Threads per in.	Root area, sq in.	Threads per in.	Root area, sq in.
0	....	.....	80	0.0015
1 (0.073)	64	0.0022	72	0.0024
2 (0.086)	56	0.0031	64	0.0034
3 (0.099)	48	0.0041	56	0.0045
4 (0.112)	40	0.0050	48	0.0057
5 (0.125)	40	0.0067	44	0.0072
6 (0.138)	32	0.0075	40	0.0087
8 (0.164)	32	0.0120	36	0.0128
10 (0.190)	24	0.0145	32	0.0175
12 (0.216)	24	0.0206	28	0.0226
$\frac{1}{4}$	20	0.0269	28	0.0326
$\frac{5}{16}$	18	0.0454	24	0.0524
$\frac{3}{8}$	16	0.0678	24	0.0809
$\frac{7}{16}$	14	0.0933	20	0.1090
$\frac{1}{2}$	13	0.1257	20	0.1486
$\frac{9}{16}$	12	0.1620	18	0.1888
$\frac{5}{8}$	11	0.2018	18	0.2400
$\frac{3}{4}$	10	0.3020	16	0.3513
$\frac{7}{8}$	9	0.4193	14	0.4805
1	8	0.5510	12	0.6245
$1\frac{1}{8}$	7	0.6931	12	0.8118
$1\frac{1}{4}$	7	0.8898	12	1.0237
$1\frac{3}{8}$	6	1.0541	12	1.2602
$1\frac{1}{2}$	6	1.2938	12	1.5212
$1\frac{3}{4}$	5	1.7441		
2	$4\frac{1}{2}$	2.3001		
$2\frac{1}{4}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	3.0212		
$2\frac{1}{2}$	4	3.7161		
$2\frac{3}{4}$	4	4.6194		
3	4	5.6209		
$3\frac{1}{4}$	4	6.7205		
$3\frac{1}{2}$	4	7.9183		
$3\frac{3}{4}$	4	9.2143		
4	4	10.6084		

In addition to lowered stress concentration in the screw, the Aero thread has the advantage that it can be used in materials that are difficult to thread, such as cast iron and aluminum. The insert can be screwed into the hole as tapped, thus leaving the insert itself to form the thread for receiving the screw. The insert, usually bronze, will resist wear and may be replaced if necessary. A comparison of endurance limits of standard threads and Aero threads is shown by the diagram in Fig. 9-7. In Fig. 4-10(g) is shown an Aero-thread assembly for an aircraft-engine-cylinder flange fastened to an aluminum crankcase.

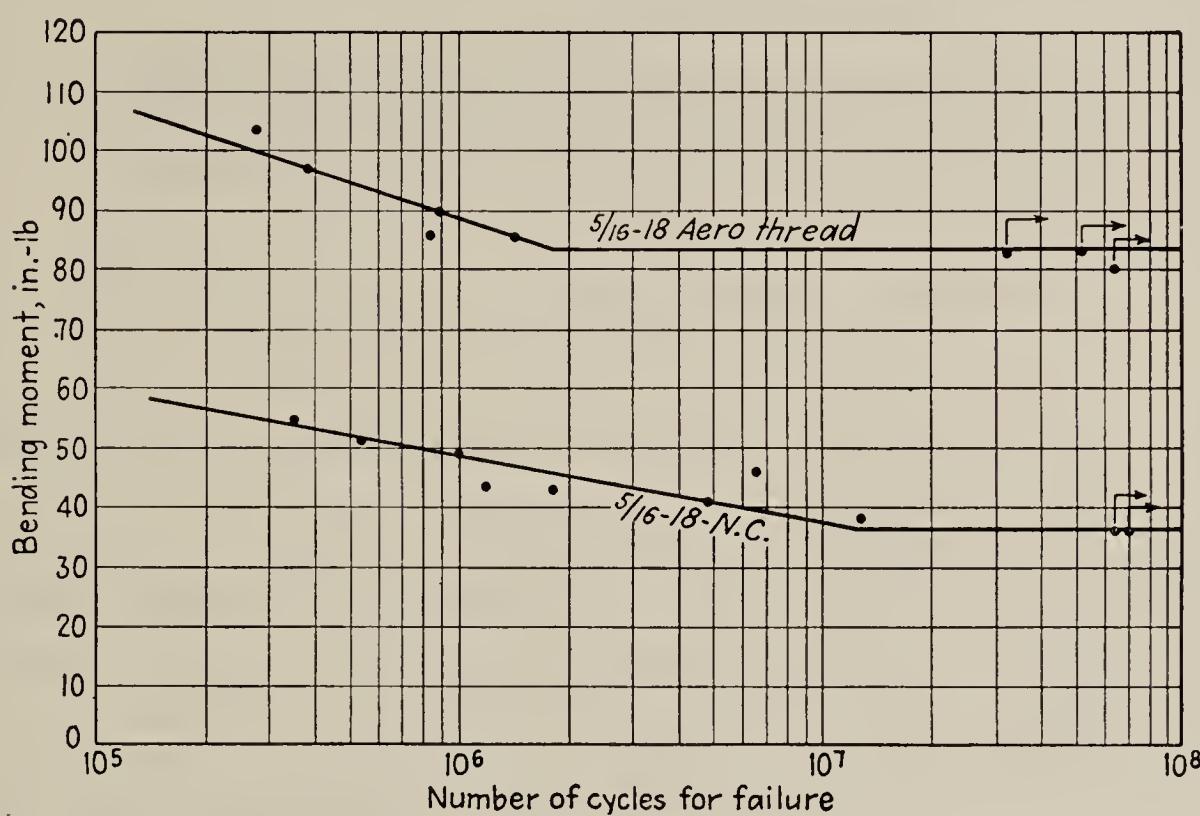


FIG. 9-7. Curves showing results of endurance tests on steel specimens with Aero thread and National Coarse thread. (From H. F. Moore, *Strength of Screw Threads*, *Product Eng.*, November, 1939.)

Another thread insert known as the "Heli-coil" is similar to the Aero-thread insert except that the cross section of the wire is diamond shaped so that it will form a thread that will accommodate an American Standard threaded part. While the Heli-coil thread does not have any stress-concentration advantage over the American Standard thread, it does have advantages for use in materials that are difficult to thread and at the same time maintains interchangeability with American Standard threads. An application of this thread is in the spark plugs in cast-iron or aluminum cylinder heads.

*Pipe threads.* The American Standard taper pipe thread is formed with a taper of  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. per ft. The form of the thread is shown in Fig. 9-8. In addition to their use in pipe fittings, pipe threads are used in attaching oil-feeding devices, gauges, etc.

**9-4 Rolled threads.** The dies for forming rolled threads are of two types: flat dies, used in pairs which have relative motion of translation, and cylindrical dies, which rotate and are used in sets of three. The dies have grooves of the desired thread form with a slope on the die corresponding to the angle of the helix of the thread. The cylindrical blank is rolled between the dies, thereby forming the threads. The thread is formed by depressing the surface of the blank to form the root of the thread while the displaced material flows outward to form the crest. Thus the original diameter of the blank, or shank of the bolt, lies between

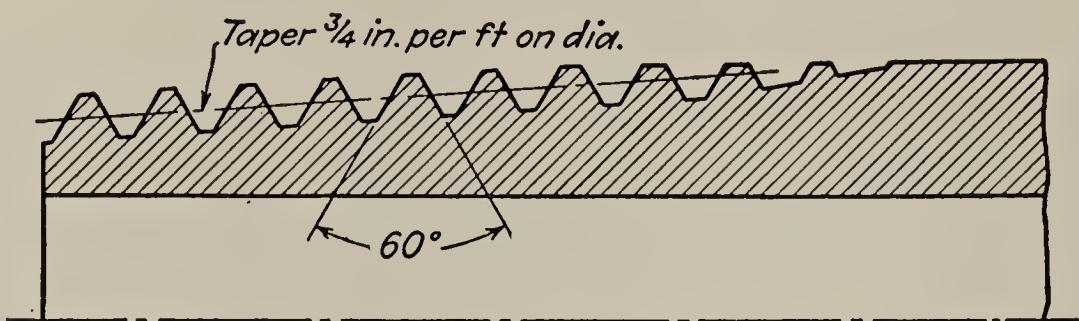


FIG. 9-8. Form of taper pipe thread.

the outer diameter and the root diameter of the thread. The process is limited to external threads.

Because of the cold forming of the material, the mechanical properties are increased, which, coupled with favorable flow lines and uniform and smooth surfaces, materially increases the strength of the part, especially in cyclic loading. Close control may be had over dimensions; in fact, excellent micrometer screws are made by the process. Threads may be

rolled on all sizes of blanks up to 5 in. in diameter. While thread rolling has been practiced for over a hundred years, the modern precision-rolled thread is far superior to the rolled carriage bolt of early days, and in production, marked savings may be had in labor and material cost as well as improved performance.<sup>1</sup>

**9-5 Height of nut.** The approximate thickness of a nut required for equality of strengths of a bolt in tension and of the thread in shear may be determined as follows:

Assumptions: (a) that each turn of the thread of the nut supports an equal share of the load; (b) that stress concentration is neglected; (c) that for standard coarse threads,  $d_r = 0.8d_0$  (see Fig. 9-9); (d) that for steel, the yield stress in shear  $s_s$  is equal to one half the yield stress in tension  $s_t$ .

FIG. 9-9. Height of nut.

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<sup>1</sup>"Engineering Data on Thread Form Rolling," Reed Rolled Thread Die Co., Worcester, Mass.

The strength of the bolt in tension is equal to

$$F_t = \frac{\pi d_r^2}{4} s_t$$

The strength of the threads in shear is equal to

$$F_s = \pi d_r h s_s$$

By equating  $F_t$  and  $F_s$ ,

$$h = 0.4d_0$$

Therefore, for standard coarse threads, the threads will be as strong in failure by shear as the bolt in tension if the height of the nut is 0.4 times the nominal diameter of the bolt. American Standard nuts are approximately  $\frac{7}{8}d_0$  in height; hence, standard threads will not fail by shear. If such threads do fail, the failure may have been preceded by "thread crossing" or wear. The thickness of a standard nut is made greater than that required for simple strength to provide for sufficient bearing area between the wrench and the nut.

The assumption that each thread supports an equal share of the load is incorrect because of the elongation of the bolt and the compression of the nut under load. It has been shown that the load is concentrated on the part of the thread near the base of the nut.<sup>1</sup> The form of nut shown in Fig. 9-10 allows a more equal distribution of the load and has been used in heavily loaded bolts. In some instances, during assembly the bolts are stretched by a bolt puller and the nuts are screwed on by hand and then loaded as the bolt puller is released. This procedure is followed in order to load the bolts more accurately than is possible by tightening up the nuts and in order to prevent galling of the threads.

**9-6 Stresses in screw fastenings.** *Tightening-up stresses.* Tightening-up stresses in bolts are highly indeterminate.<sup>2</sup> The judgment of the mechanic in selecting a wrench and in applying the force cannot be predicted with accuracy.

An equation<sup>3</sup> for estimating the tightening-up load is

$$F_1 = kd$$

<sup>1</sup> J. N. Goodier, The Distribution of Loads on the Threads of Screws, *J. Appl. Mechanics*, vol. 7, no. 1, p. A-10, 1940.

<sup>2</sup> "Torquing of Nuts in Aircraft Engines," SAE War Engineering Board, Society of Automotive Engineers, New York, 1943.

<sup>3</sup> J. H. Barr, The Stress on Bolts in Service, *Sibley Journal of Mechanical Engineering*, October, 1902.

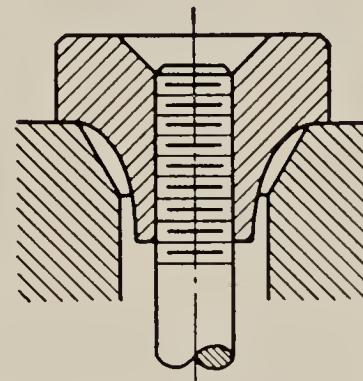


FIG. 9-10. Shape of nut to reduce localization of thread loading.

where  $F_1$  = initial axial load due to tightening up, lb

$d$  = nominal diameter of bolt, in.

$k$  = 16,000 lb per in., as determined for making steamtight joints  
(this value may be reduced for fastenings not set up as tight  
as for a steamtight joint)

*Shearing stresses.* When bolts are subjected to direct shearing loads, they should be located and threaded so that the shearing load comes upon the body of the bolt and not upon the threaded portion (see Fig. 16-2). If several bolts are intended to share a shearing load, high-grade construction requires finished bolts fitted to reamed holes. In some instances, the bolts may be relieved of shear loads by shear pins used for this purpose.

*Stress concentration.* Photoelastic tests indicate that the concentration of stress at the root of a standard coarse thread is large, as shown by a static stress-concentration factor that is equal to 5.62.<sup>1</sup>

This concentration of stress is generally not serious in bolts made of ductile material and subject to static loads. However, in dynamic loading,

the concentration of stress has been found to reduce the endurance limit of standard coarse threaded bolts by fatigue stress-concentration factors equal to 2.84 for medium-carbon steel and 3.85 for SAE 2320 nickel steel heat-treated.<sup>2</sup> These factors were determined for repeated tension loading of bolts threaded with no special care toward relieving stress concentration at the juncture of the thread

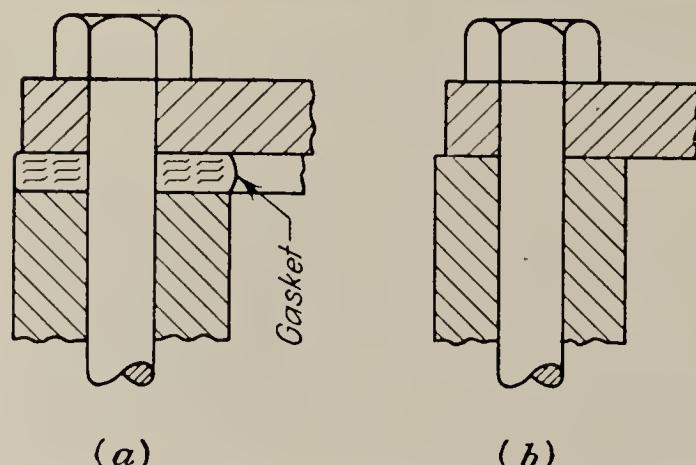
FIG. 9-11. Relative rigidity of bolts and connected parts.

and the shank of the bolt. Marked improvement in fatigue strength may be secured by using undercut relieving grooves, as discussed in Chap. 4.

*Effect of rigidity of parts.* The resultant axial load on a bolt depends on the initial tension and on the external load. It depends also on the relative elastic yielding (springiness) of the bolt and the connected members. If the connected members are very yielding as compared with the bolt, as in Fig. 9-11(a) which shows a soft gasket, the resultant load on the bolt will closely approximate the sum of the initial tension and the external load. If the bolt, however, is very yielding as compared with the connected members, as in Fig. 9-11(b), the resultant load will be either

<sup>1</sup> S. G. Hall, Determination of Stress Concentration in Screw Threads by the Photoelastic Method, *Univ. Illinois Bull.* 245, 1932.

<sup>2</sup> Moore and Henwood, The Strength of Screw Threads under Repeated Tension, *Univ. Illinois Bull.* 264, 1934.



the initial tension or the external load, whichever is greater. Actual conditions usually lie between the two extremes.

To estimate the resultant load, the following equation may be used:

$$F = F_1 + \frac{a}{1+a} F_2$$

where  $F$  = resultant axial load, lb

$F_1$  = initial tension due to tightening up, lb

$F_2$  = external load, lb

$a$  = ratio of elasticity of connected parts to elasticity of bolt

For soft gaskets and large bolts, the value of  $a$  is high and the value of  $a/(1+a)$  approximates unity so that the resultant load is equal to the sum of the initial tension and the external load.

For hard gaskets or metal-to-metal contact surfaces and with small bolts, the value of  $a$  is small and the resultant load is due mainly to the initial tension (or to  $F_2$  in the rare case it is greater than  $F_1$ ).

The value of  $a$  may be estimated by the designer to obtain an approximate value for the resultant load.

The designer thus has control over the influence on the resultant load on a bolt by proportioning the sizes of connected parts and bolts and by specifying initial tension in the bolt.

For instance, a connecting-rod bolt may be tightened up with initial tension greater than the external load. The load on the bolt then will be static and the bolt may be designed on the basis of static failure. If the initial tension was not high enough, the resultant load on the bolt would be affected by the external load which is cyclic, and failure of the bolt would be on the basis of cyclic failure and governed by the endurance limit of the material and stress concentration, both of which would be unfavorable.

That is the reason for the practice in the assembly of automotive engines to tighten up connecting-rod bolts so that the stress approaches the yield point.

It is difficult, however, to determine accurately initial stresses even though a torque wrench is used for tightening. This is on account of the variation in surface finish of the threads, fits, and the coefficient of friction at the threads and faces of the boltheads and nuts. For accurate determination of initial tension, it is necessary to measure the elongation of the bolt.<sup>1</sup>

**9-7 Bolts subjected to shock loading.** When a bolt is subjected to shock loading, as in the case of a cylinder-head bolt of an internal-combus-

<sup>1</sup> J. O. Almen, Bolt Failure as Affected by Tightening, "Machine Design," p. 133, Penton Publishing Company, Cleveland, 1943.

tion engine, the resilience of the bolt should be considered in order to prevent breakage at the thread.

*Resilience* is defined as the energy that is returned by a member upon release of the load. If a member is not stressed beyond the elastic limit, it is capable of returning all the energy of deformation; if stressed beyond the elastic limit, it will return only a portion of the energy of deformation, the energy not returned being consumed in permanently deforming the member. The term "resilience" applies to a member or specimen; the units of resilience are inch-pounds.

The resilience of a cubic inch of a material when it is stressed to the elastic limit is called the *modulus of resilience*. The modulus of resilience is equal to the area under the stress-strain curve up to the elastic limit. It is a property of a material and is a measure of its shock-resisting ability. Its units are inch-pounds per cubic inch and it is equal to  $s_e^2/2E$ , in which  $s_e$  is the stress at the elastic limit and  $E$  is the modulus of elasticity.

If a bolt of the usual form having a full-sized shank and threaded end, as shown in Fig. 9-12(a), is used to support a tensile load, the stress in

the threaded part will be higher than that in the shank. If a tensile load is suddenly applied, the energy absorbed by each unit volume of the bolt will be proportional to the square of its stress at the same location; hence, a large part of the energy will be absorbed at the region of the threaded part. If the shank of the bolt is turned down as shown at (b), the shank of the bolt will un-

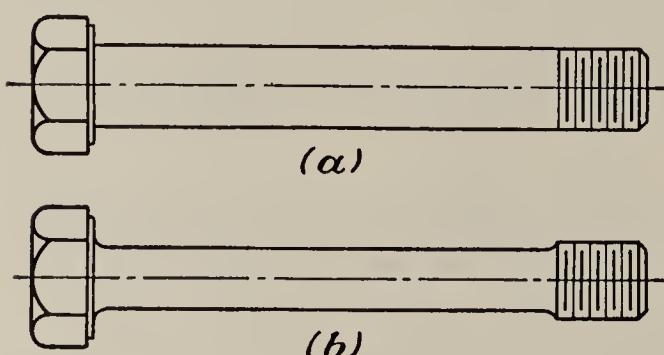


FIG. 9-12. Bolts of same strength but one (b) having greater resilience than the other (a).

dergo a higher stress, and hence will absorb a greater proportion of the energy, thus relieving the material at the sections near the thread. If the shank of the bolt is turned down to a diameter corresponding to that at the root of the threads, or even slightly less, the static strength of the bolt will not be decreased.<sup>1</sup>

The resilience of a bolt also may be increased by increasing its length.

**9-8 Keys.** The most common function of a key is to prevent relative rotation of a shaft and the member to which it is connected, such as the hub of a gear, pulley, or crank. A large number of types of keys are available and the choice in any installation depends on several factors, such as power requirements, tightness of fit, stability of connection, and cost. For very light power requirements, a setscrew may be tightened against the round shaft or against a flat spot on the shaft. For most

<sup>1</sup> See "Torquing of Nuts in Aircraft Engines," SAE War Engineering Board, Society of Automotive Engineers, New York, 1943.

requirements a positive connection, such as that offered by a key, is necessary. A setscrew is frequently used to seat the key firmly in the keyway and to prevent axial motion of the parts.

*Square keys*, Fig. 9-13(a) are common in general industrial machinery.

*Flat keys*, Fig. 9-13(b), are used where added stability of the connection is desired, as in machine tools. Square or flat keys may be of uniform cross section or they may be tapered. In tapered keys the width is uniform and the height of the key is tapered by  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. per ft. Tapered keys may have *gib heads*, as shown in Fig. 9-13(c), to facilitate removal.

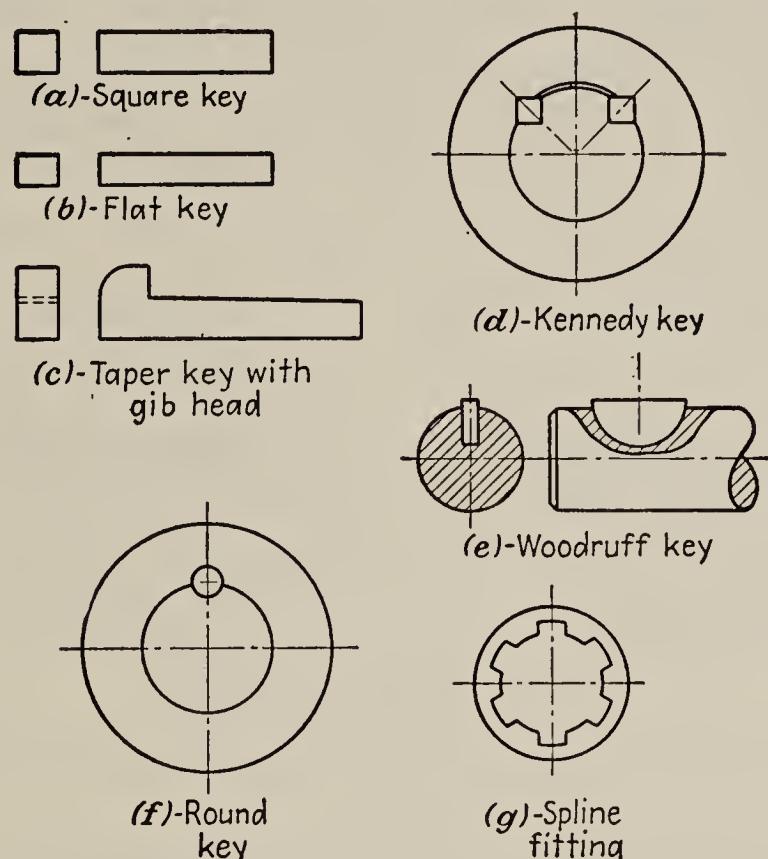


FIG. 9-13. Types of keys.

*The Kennedy key* is used for heavy duty and consists of two keys driven as shown in Fig. 9-13(d). The hub is bored to fit the shaft and is then rebored off center as shown. The keys force the shaft and hub in concentric position.

*The Woodruff key*, shown in Fig. 9-13(e), requires a key seat formed by a special side-milling cutter. This key will align itself in the key seat. It has the disadvantage of weakening the shaft more than by the use of a straight key.

*The round key*, or pin, Fig. 9-13(f), introduces less stress concentration at the key seat in the shaft and is satisfactory except for the necessity of drilling the hole to accommodate the pin *after* assembly of the hub and shaft. This may be a disadvantage in production and prevents interchangeability.

*A spline fitting*, as shown in Fig. 9-13(g), is composed of a splined shaft formed by milling and a mating hub with internal splines formed by

broaching. The splines in reality are a number of keys integral with the shaft. Splined fittings are adaptable to mass production and are used where radial space must be conserved.

Straight-side splines are being replaced at an increasing rate by stub involute splines. These splines have the advantages of greater strength, a self-centering feature, and production economy. The standards specify fittings with  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 48/96 diametral pitches, from 6 to 50 teeth, all with a 30-deg pressure angle.<sup>1</sup>

*Keyways* for straight keys are formed either by a side-milling cutter, which forms a *sled-runner* keyway [Fig. 9-14(a)] or by an end-milling cutter forming profiled keyways, illustrated at (b). The sled-runner keyway requires a longer space between the end of the key and the end of the keyway than does an end-milled keyway. This favors the end-milled keyway in locations near a shoulder. However, the end-milled keyway

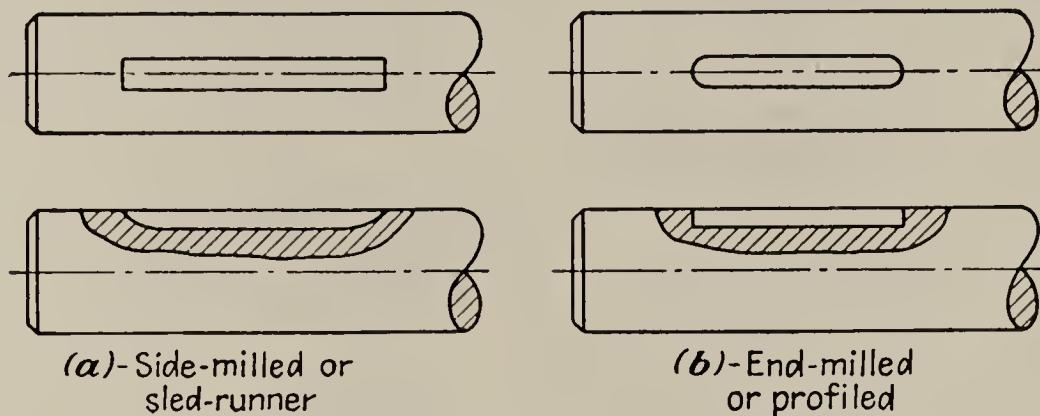


FIG. 9-14. Types of keyways.

reduces the endurance limit of a shaft more than does the sled-runner type.

*Feather keys* are used where it is necessary to slide a keyed gear or pulley along the shaft. The key is generally tight in the shaft and clearance is provided between the key and the hub keyway.

When a gear or pulley must be moved axially along the shaft while power is being transmitted, it is desirable to provide for a minimum of axial force. The use of two feather keys equally spaced requires a smaller axial force than the use of one key. To show this, consider the axial force required to slide the gear hub along the shaft of diameter  $d$  when a torque  $T$  is being transmitted for the following cases: (a) when one feather key is used and (b) when two feather keys are used.

Because of clearance between the bore and the shaft and between the key and the keyway, the shaft will assume a position approximating that shown in Fig. 9-15(a). For this case,

$$T = F_1 \frac{d}{2} \quad \text{approximately}$$

<sup>1</sup> See ASA B5.15, 1946, and also "SAE Handbook."

or

$$F_1 = \frac{2T}{d}$$

The axial force required to move the hub axially is

$$2fF_1 = \frac{4fT}{d}$$

where  $f$  is the coefficient of sliding friction.

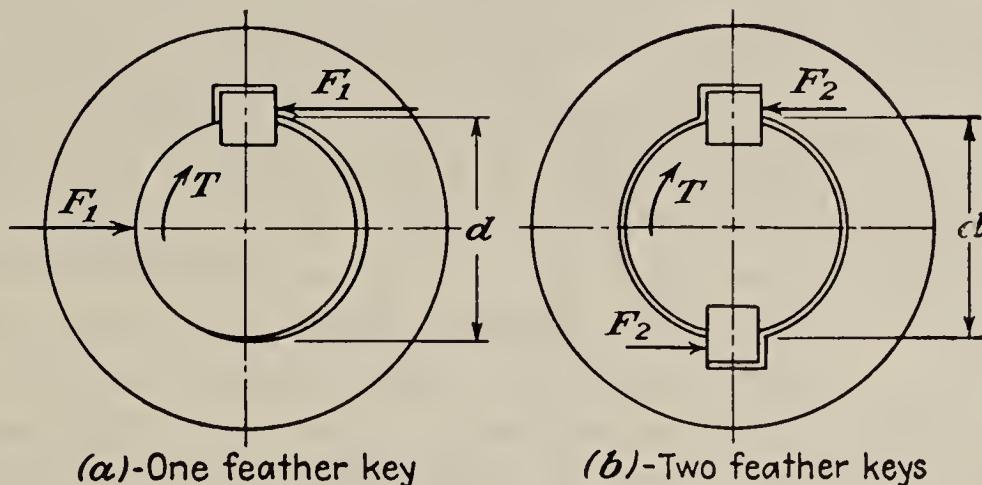


FIG. 9-15. Forces for one and two feather keys. Clearance is exaggerated.

Where two feather keys are used, the shaft will assume a position as shown in Fig. 9-15(b). For this case

$$T = F_2 d \quad \text{approximately}$$

or

$$F_2 = \frac{T}{d}$$

The axial force necessary to move the hub axially is

$$2fF_2 = \frac{2fT}{d}$$

By comparing the two equations for the axial forces, it is evident that the axial force required for two feather keys is one-half that for one feather key.

*Stresses in keys.* When a key is used in transmitting torque from a shaft to a rotor or hub, the distribution of stresses in the key is three-dimensional and is complicated in nature. These stresses are caused by forces that are of two classes: (a) forces due to the fit of the key in its keyway, as in a tight-fitting straight key or in a tapered key driven in place. These forces produce compressive stresses in the key and it is impossible generally to predict their magnitude. (b) Forces that are caused by the torque transmitted. These forces produce compressive and shearing stresses in the key. The distribution of the forces along

the length of the key is not uniform, since the forces are concentrated near the torque-input end. The nonuniformity of distribution is caused by the twisting of the shaft within the hub. The exponential curve in Fig. 9-16 shows the approximate distribution<sup>1</sup> of the stress along the length of a key.

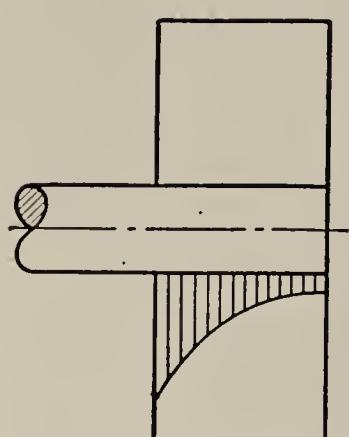


FIG. 9-16. Approximate distribution of tangential load along length of a key.

In order to obtain a relation between stresses and loads that may be used for design purposes, it is customary to neglect the forces due to the fit of the key and to assume that the distribution of forces along the length of the key is uniform.

*Proportions of a key.* A proportion that has given good results in practice makes the width of a key one-quarter the diameter of the shaft. The thickness of a key for equal strengths of the key in failure by shearing of the key and compression on the key may be determined for steel by considering allowable stresses in shear and compression.

The forces acting on a key for a clockwise torque being transmitted from a shaft to a hub are shown in Fig. 9-17. The forces  $F'$  on the top and bottom of the key resist tipping of the key. The force  $F$  between the

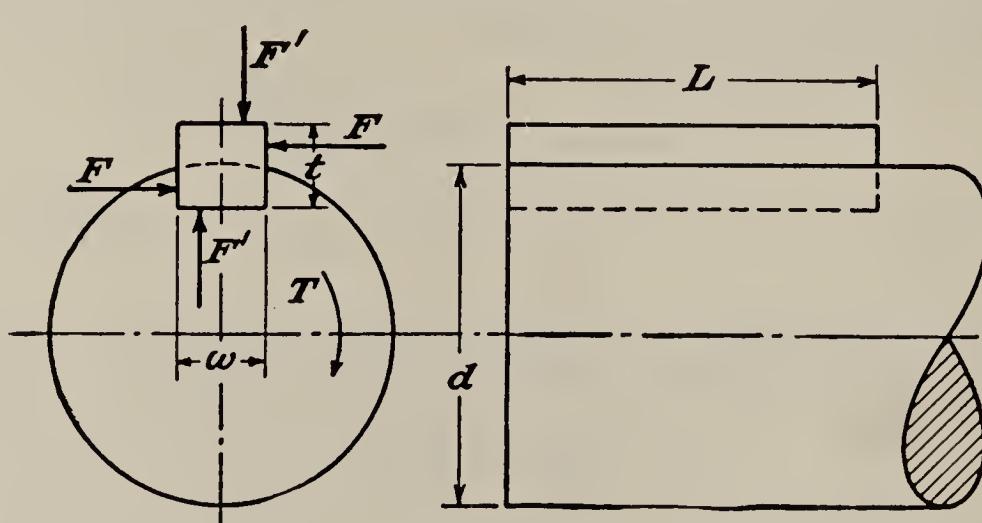


FIG. 9-17. Forces on a key due to transmitted torque.

side of the key and the keyway in the hub is due to the resisting torque  $T$  and may be determined from the relation

$$T = F \left( \frac{d}{2} + \frac{t}{4} \right) = \frac{Fd}{2} \quad \text{approximately}$$

On the basis of the assumptions stated above, the strength of the key for failure by shearing of the key is

$$T_s = \frac{Fd}{2} = \frac{wLs_sd}{2}$$

<sup>1</sup> J. P. Den Hartog, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 54, p. APM-54-10, 1932.

and its strength for failure by compression of the key is

$$T_c = \frac{Fd}{2} = \frac{tLs_c d}{4}$$

By equating the two torques and using the relation that  $s_c = 2s_s$ , which is approximately true for steel, it is found that  $w = t$ ; hence a square steel key is approximately as strong in failure by shear and crushing.

A square key whose sides are one-quarter the diameter of the shaft may be stronger or weaker than the shaft, depending on the length of the key. The length of the key required for equality of strengths of the key and the shaft may be determined by equating the strength of the key in shear to the strength of the shaft in torsion. Therefore, neglecting all stress concentrations,

$$\frac{wLs_s d}{2} = \frac{\pi d^3}{16} s_s$$

Substituting  $d/4$  for  $w$ , it is found that

$$L = \frac{\pi d}{2} = 1.5d \quad \text{approximately}$$

Thus for equal strengths of the key and shaft, the length of the key should be 1.5 times the shaft diameter.

The above discussion is the basis for the proportions of a key that has wide industrial use, *i.e.*, a square key whose sides are one-quarter of the shaft diameter and whose length is at least  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the shaft diameter. For gears, and for rotors of large diameter, stability may require a longer hub, and a key of corresponding length may be used. Also, shafts designed on the basis of stiffness are generally overly strong, and hence short keys may be used.

In order to limit the number of stock sizes of keys, standard key sizes, which may vary somewhat from one-quarter shaft diameter, are approved by the ASA and are given in Table 9-2. Flat-stock key dimensions are also given in the table.

It may be noted that a flat key is weaker in compression than in shear; however, the use of flat keys is generally confined to equipment with the shaft sizes that are required for stiffness, which usually have an excess of strength, so that the standard size flat key has ample strength.

The assumption that stress concentration may be neglected is no doubt justified since, as shown in Fig. 9-16, the key is subjected to a concentration of load and stress; also, the keyway introduces stress concentration in the shaft, so that the stress concentrations will affect both elements and can be neglected to obtain approximate relations of dimensions. In

TABLE 9-2. STANDARD DIMENSIONS OF PLAIN PARALLEL KEYS

Shaft diameter, in. (inclusive)	Key dimensions, in.		
	Width	Thickness	
		Square key	Flat key
$\frac{1}{2}-\frac{9}{16}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{32}$
$\frac{5}{8}-\frac{7}{8}$	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{1}{8}$
$\frac{15}{16}-1\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{3}{16}$
$1\frac{5}{16}-1\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
$1\frac{7}{16}-1\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
$1\frac{13}{16}-2\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{8}$
$2\frac{5}{16}-2\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{5}{8}$	$\frac{5}{8}$	$\frac{7}{16}$
$2\frac{13}{16}-3\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
$3\frac{5}{16}-3\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{7}{8}$	$\frac{7}{8}$	$\frac{5}{8}$
$3\frac{13}{16}-4\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	$\frac{3}{4}$
$4\frac{9}{16}-5\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{7}{8}$
$5\frac{9}{16}-6$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	1

addition, the effect on seriousness of stress concentration of the ductility of the material should be considered. In a steel shaft and key made of ductile material and subjected to a static load, stress concentration may

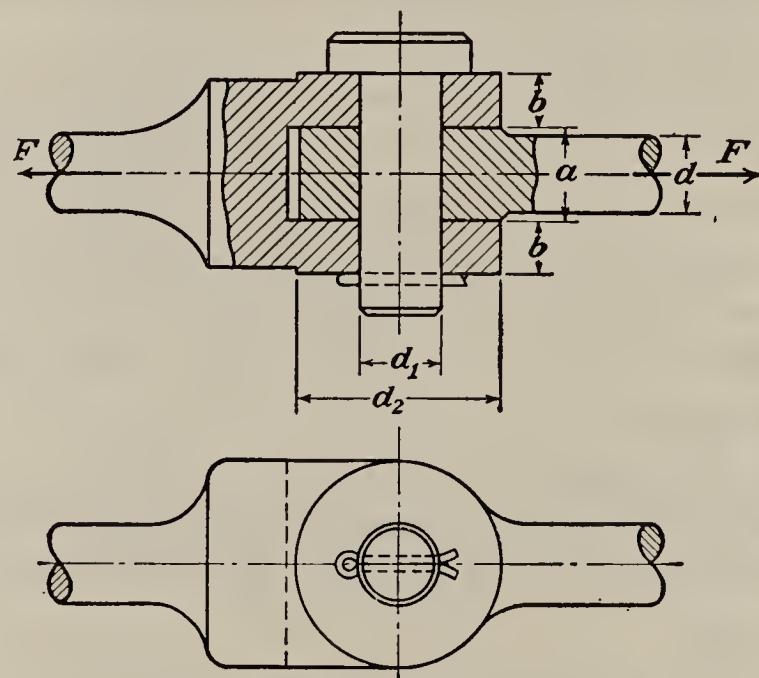


FIG. 9-18. Knuckle joint.

not be serious. However, with variable loading, as in a shaft with torsional vibration, the stress concentration may be serious.

**9-9 Knuckle joints and cotter joints.** *Knuckle joints.* These joints as illustrated in Fig. 9-18 are used to connect two rods that are under the action of tensile loads, although if the joint is guided the rods may support a compressive load. They are used where it is desired to have a joint that can be readily disconnected for adjustments or repairs. The ends

of each of the rods are formed by upsetting the rod and machining to form the *eye*, as shown at the right-hand part of the joint in Fig. 9-18, and the *yoke* or *fork*, shown at the left in the figure. The knuckle pin forms the connecting element and is held in place by a small cotter pin or other fastening.

The methods of failure of the joint are indicated below, and the *strength* of the joint for each method of failure is indicated. Stress concentration and nonuniform distribution of loads are neglected; therefore the strengths given below will be approximate; however, they serve to indicate a well-proportioned joint. The safe loads for the rod would require an appropriate factor of safety.

1. Failure of the solid rod

$$F = \frac{\pi d^2}{4} s_t$$

2. Failure of the knuckle pin in shear

$$F = 2 \frac{\pi d_1^2}{4} s_s$$

3. Failure of the rod end by shearing

$$F = (d_2 - d_1)as_s \quad \text{approximately}$$

4. Failure by shearing of the fork ends

$$F = (d_2 - d_1)2bs_s$$

5. Failure of the eye in tension

$$F = (d_2 - d_1)as_t$$

6. Failure of the fork ends in tension

$$F = (d_2 - d_1)2bs_t$$

7. Failure of the rod end in compression by bearing against the pin

$$F = ad_1s_b$$

8. Failure of the fork ends in compression by bearing against the pin

$$F = 2bd_1s_b$$

9. Failure of the pin in bending. Assuming that the pin is loaded as shown by Fig. 9-19, the maximum bending moment on the pin occurs at the midsection of the pin and is equal to

$$\frac{F}{2} \left( \frac{a}{4} + \frac{b}{3} \right) \quad \text{approximately}$$

Therefore

$$F = \frac{3\pi d_1^3 s_t}{4(3a + 4b)}$$

A well-designed joint is one that has equal strengths in failure for all the above methods of failure. For a particular material, such as steel, the relation between the stresses would be fixed, which would be used to determine the dimensions of the joint.

From the above equations, it is obvious that dimension  $b$  should be equal to one-half  $a$ . However,  $b$  is generally made somewhat greater than one-half of  $a$  in order to prevent deflection or spreading of the forks, which would introduce excessive bending of the pin.

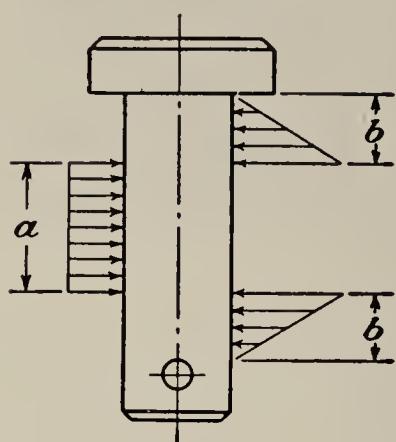


FIG. 9-19. Loading of pin in knuckle joint.

there are three parts to the joint, the *rod end* (left-hand end), the *socket end* (right-hand end), and the *cotter* that fits into the tapered slot. The taper of the slot as well as the cotter is usually on one side, the right as shown in the figure. Clearance between the cotter and the slots in the rod end and socket allow the driven cotter to draw together the two parts of the joint until the socket end comes in contact with the shoulder on

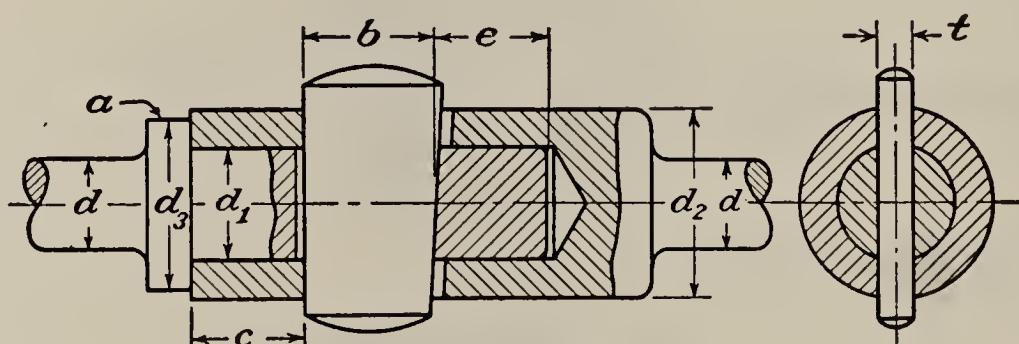


FIG. 9-20. Cotter joint.

the rod end at  $a$ . Further driving of the cotter will bend it in the plane of the side view, and this bending will aid in keeping the joint tight under the action of a variable load. The dimensions that may be used in investigating the relative strengths of the rod in various methods of failure are indicated by symbols on the sketch.

Tightening of the cotter introduces initial stresses that are difficult to estimate.

Failure of the joint may occur in several ways, the most probable of which are as follows:

1. Tension failure of the rods at the diameter  $d$
2. Tension failure of the rod or socket across the slot

3. Shear failure of the rod or socket between the slot and the end of the rod or socket
4. Shear of the cotter
5. Bearing between the cotter and the slot in the rod end or in the socket
6. Failure of the cotter in bending
7. Failure of the collar of the rod end in shear due to tightening of the cotter or to any compressive load to which the joint may be subjected

**9-10 Pins and snap rings.** Pins and snap rings are two examples of a large number of fastenings of a general type that is finding increasingly popular application in machinery, especially in light machinery parts.

Pins may be used in straight, tapered, or grooved forms. In function, they may be classified as *locating pins*, called *dowel pins*, which fix the

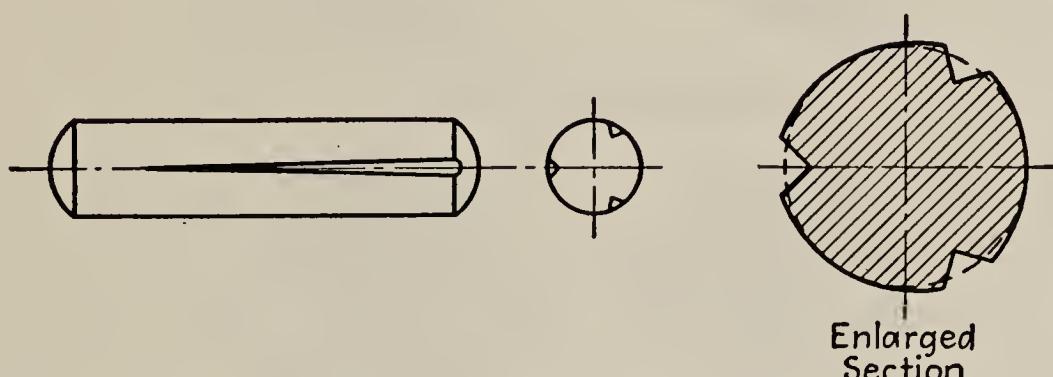


FIG. 9-21. Grooved pin.

relative position of two parts; *shear pins* which transmit service loads; *safety pins* which have the function of a shear pin but which are designed to fail at a predetermined load and thus protect expensive parts from damage. *Safety links*, designed to fail in tension under the action of an overload, perform the same function as a safety pin.

Pins should be accurately fitted into reamed holes and located so that bending of the pin will be eliminated or reduced to a minimum. Provision should be made for pins to be removed. This may require a through hole so that the pin may be punched through, or it may require a plain or a threaded head for drawing.

The grooved pin has a rolled groove, generally tapered, as shown in Fig. 9-21. The rolling of the groove deforms the pin, as shown by the enlarged sectional view, so that when the pin is driven or pressed into a drilled hole, a tight fit is produced between the pin and the hole. The pin deforms elastically, and it is effective under the action of variable loading without loosening of the pin. Some applications of pins are shown in Fig. 9-22.

*Snap rings* are of two general types, external and internal, as shown in Fig. 9-23(a) and (b). The relations between the dimensions of the ring and of the recesses that accommodate them should be considered so as

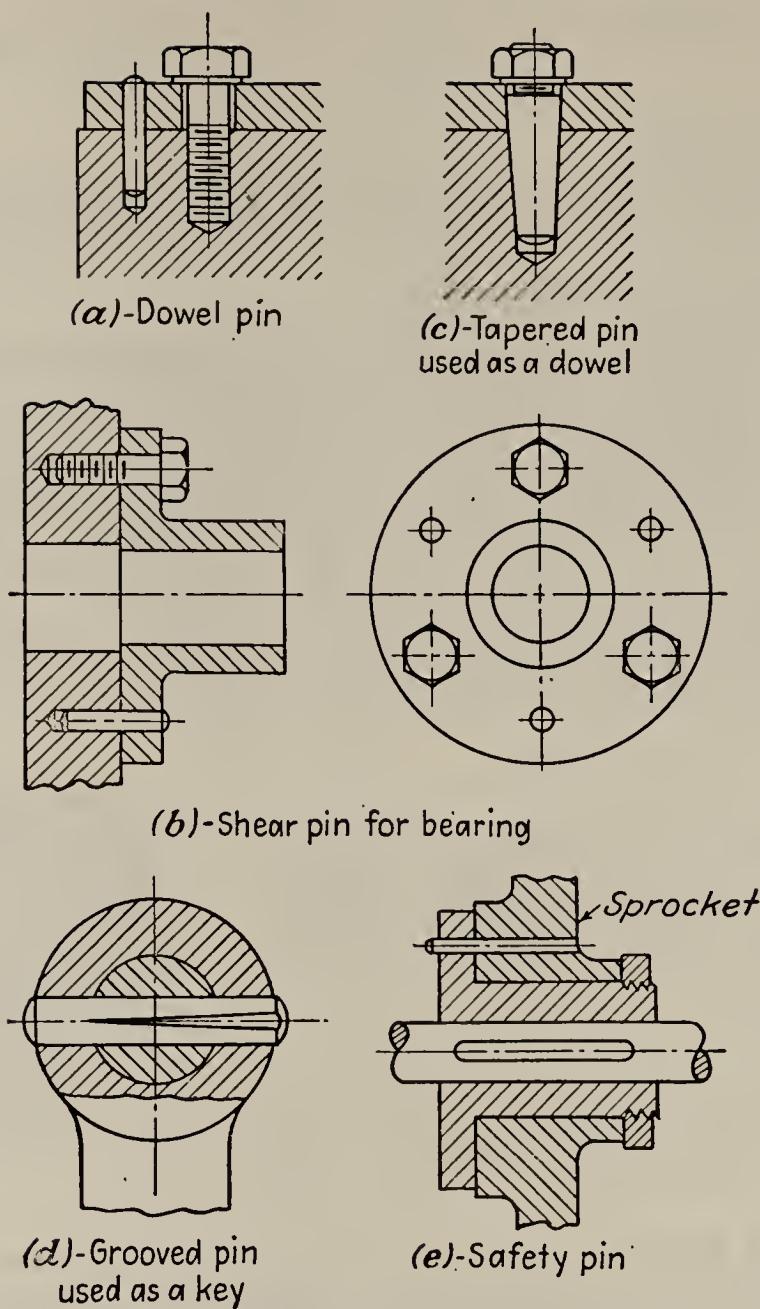
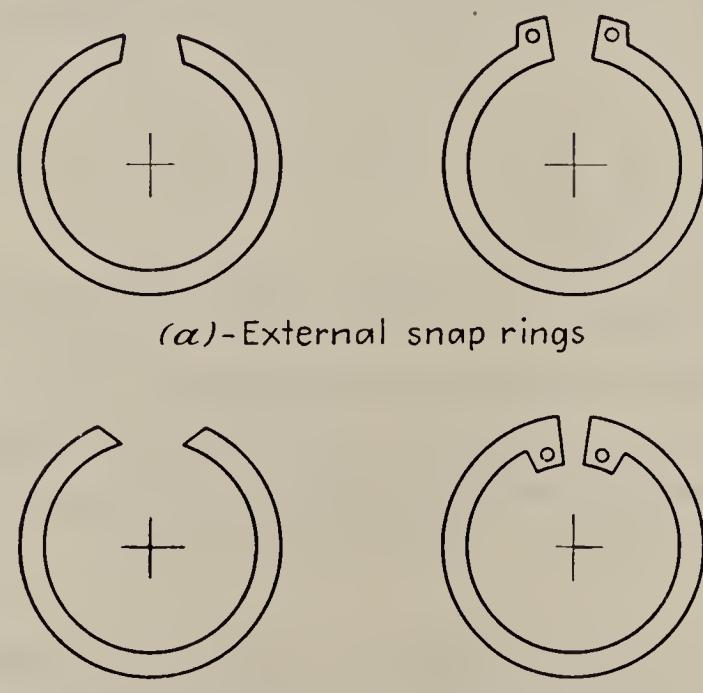


FIG. 9-22. Application of pins.



(b)-Internal snap rings

FIG. 9-23. Snap rings.

to provide for sufficient strength of the ring against permanent set during insertion or under load and to provide for ease of insertion or removal.<sup>1</sup> Snap rings, and also wire clips that perform the same function, are available in various forms and sizes. Figure 9-24 shows snap rings used to retain a ball bearing in place. The larger ring supports an axial load on

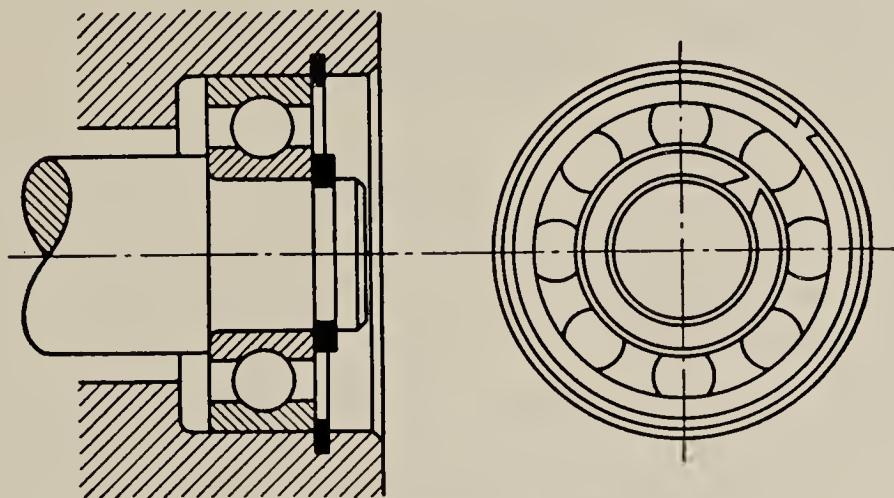


FIG. 9-24. Ball-bearing installation.

the shaft to the right in the figure. The smaller ring retains the inner race of the bearing against the shaft shoulder. Since ease of insertion is necessary in production, clearance must be provided as the rings cannot be seated under axial load. If end play is not permitted, screwed locking fastenings should be used instead of snap rings.

<sup>1</sup> Peter F. Rossman, Designing Snap Ring Fastenings, *Machine Design*, May, 1941.

## CHAPTER 10

### SPRINGS

**10-1 General discussion.**<sup>1</sup> Springs have a variety of applications in machinery, as follows:

1. Springs are used to control forces due to impact or shock loading and to control vibration. The energy of impact loading involves the product of a force and a distance that corresponds to the deflection of the resisting member. Thus, to absorb a given amount of energy, increasing the deflection decreases the transmitted force. A spring allows considerable deflection for a moderate load, and therefore may be used to reduce

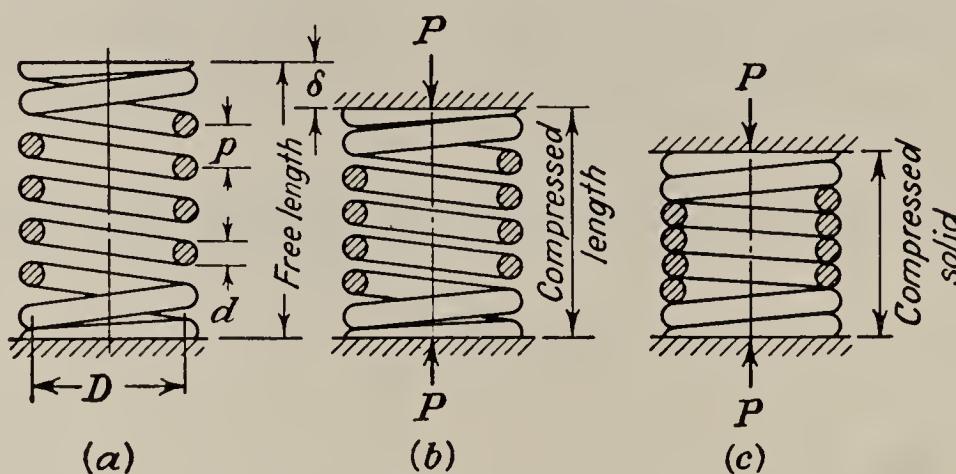


FIG. 10-1. Helical compression spring.

the magnitude of the transmitted force in shock loading. Examples of springs for this use are buffer springs for elevators and for car-track terminals, springs for railway cars and automobiles, and springs in cushioned gears and sprockets.

2. Springs are employed to control motions and to apply forces to members. Examples of such uses are valve springs in internal-combustion engines, springs to produce pressure in brakes and clutches, and flexible supports for machinery or equipment.
3. Springs are used for storing energy, for example, in clocks, switch-throwing devices, and starters.
4. Springs are employed to measure forces, as in scales.

<sup>1</sup> For a complete discussion of springs, see A. M. Wahl, "Mechanical Springs," Penton Publishing Company, Cleveland, 1944.

Springs may be classified in accordance with their shape, such as helical, spiral, leaf, etc. The characteristics of some of the more common types of springs are discussed in the following articles.

**10-2 Helical springs.** In Fig. 10-1(a) is shown a helical coil spring with ends adapted to support a compressive load. At (b) the spring has been deflected by the axial load  $P$ , which may be assumed to compress the spring as between two parallel plates. The following notation applies:

Let  $P$  = axial load, lb

$D$  = mean diameter of the coils, in.

$d$  = diameter of the wire, in.

$p$  = pitch of the coils, in.

$\delta$  = deflection of the spring, in.

$n$  = number of active coils

$C$  = spring index =  $D/d$

$G$  = torsional modulus of elasticity, psi

$s_s$  = shearing stress, psi

The number of active coils,  $n$ , represents the coils in the spring with the exception of those which lie flat against the compression plates. These inactive coils do not contribute to the deflection of the spring.

*Stresses in a helical spring made of round wire.* In Fig. 10-2 is shown a part of a compression spring that supports a compressive load  $P$  and a section of the wire cut by axial plane. The part of the spring shown in the figure is in equilibrium under the action of the two forces  $P$  and the resisting torsional moment  $T$ , as shown in the figure. The latter equals

$$T = \frac{PD}{2}$$

The shearing stress due to the torque  $T$  is

$$s_s = \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3} \quad (10-1)$$

In addition to the stress given by Eq. (10-1), the direct shearing stress due to  $P$  should be included. By adding the direct shearing stress, which equals  $4P/\pi d^2$ , to the torsional stress  $8PD/\pi d^3$ , the maximum shearing stress, which is located at the inner side of the curved wire, may be determined by

$$\frac{8PD}{\pi d^3} + \frac{4P}{\pi d^2} = \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2C}\right) \quad (10-2)$$

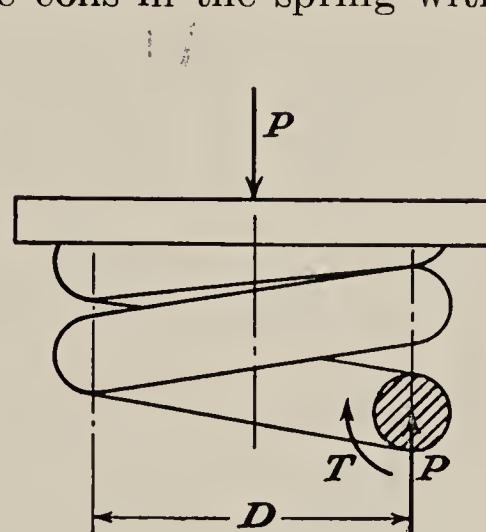


FIG. 10-2. Loading on helical spring.

It is evident from Eq. (10-2) that for springs of small index  $C$  the effect of direct shear,  $(1/2C)$ , is appreciable.

The effect of curvature of the wire as it forms the coil should be considered also.

In order to include the effects of both direct shear and wire curvature, a stress factor has been determined by the use of approximate analytical methods by A. M. Wahl<sup>1</sup> which may be used with Eq. (10-1) to determine the maximum shearing stress in the wire as follows:

$$s_s = K \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3} = K \frac{8PC}{\pi d^2} \quad (10-3)$$

where

$$K = \frac{4C - 1}{4C - 4} + \frac{0.615}{C}$$

Values for  $K$  may be read from Fig. 10-3. The values of  $K$  as indicated by the Wahl equation have been verified by experimental means using

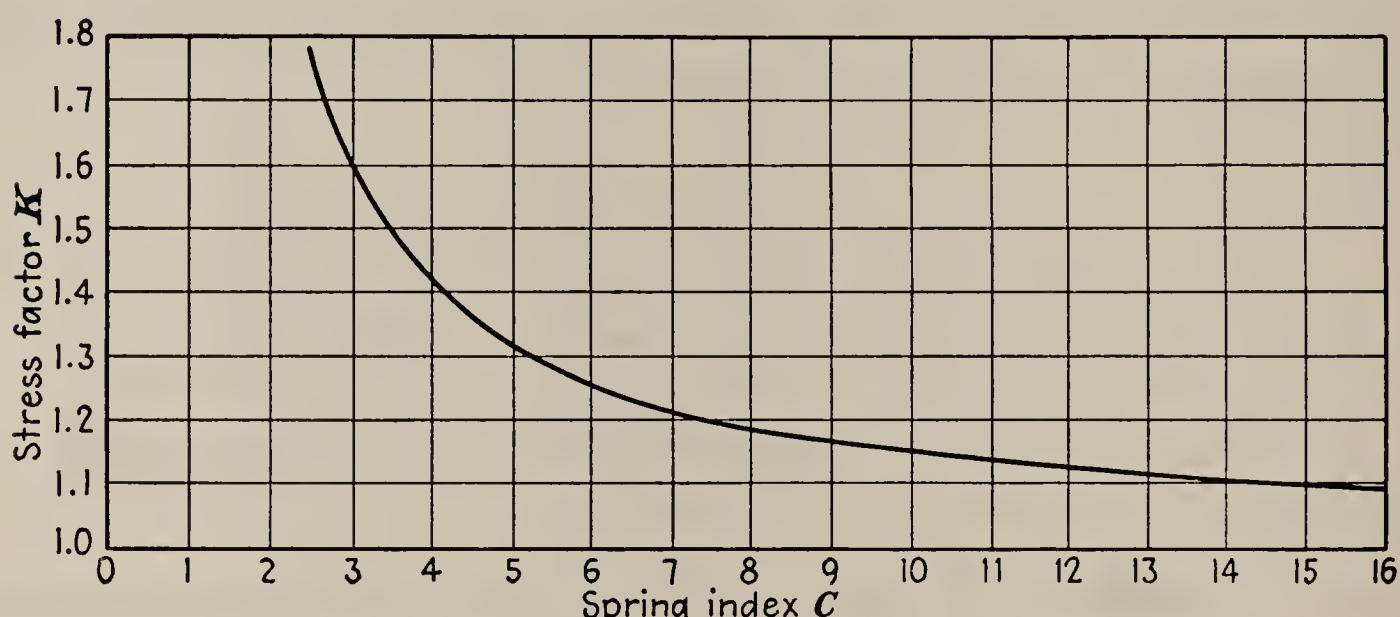


FIG. 10-3. Wahl stress factor for helical springs.

strain measurements secured by sensitive extensometers, and have been verified also by exact calculations based on the theory of elasticity, which indicates that results are correct within 2 per cent for spring indexes greater than 3. This includes most springs used in machinery. The Wahl stress factor has been adopted generally for the design of helical springs.

*Deflection of helical spring.* An equation for the axial deflection of a helical spring in terms of the axial load, spring dimensions, and a materials constant may be conveniently determined by equating the work required to deflect the spring to the strain energy in the twisted wire. For close-

<sup>1</sup> A. M. Wahl, Stresses in Heavy Closely Coiled Helical Springs, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 51, p. APM-51-17, 1929.

coiled springs the bending of the wire is small and the strain energy of bending may be neglected.

The axial load as shown in Fig. 10-1 increases linearly from zero to  $P$ , and hence the work required to compress the spring is the average force  $P/2$  times the deflection, or  $P\delta/2$ .

The strain energy in a bar twisted by a torsional moment  $T$  through a total angle  $\theta$  is  $T\theta/2$ . The total angle of twist  $\theta = TL/GJ$ , where  $L$  equals the length of the twisted wire and  $J$  equals the polar moment of inertia of the wire section. The active length of wire in the helical spring equals  $\pi Dn/\cos \alpha$ , where  $\alpha$  is the lead angle of the helix, which for close-coiled springs is of the order of 5 deg; hence  $\cos \alpha$  is approximately unity.

For springs of indexes as used in machinery, namely,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  or 3 and above, the strain energy in the curved wire forming the coils will be close to the strain energy in a straight wire; hence from the above relations the following equation for  $\delta$  may be obtained:

$$\delta = \frac{8PD^3n}{Gd^4} = \frac{8PC^3n}{Gd} \quad (10-4)$$

Equation (10-4) gives values that have been accurately verified by test.<sup>1</sup> The value of  $G$  for spring steel is approximately 11,500,000 psi.

By solving Eq. (10-4) for  $P/\delta$ , a useful quantity is obtained, *i.e.*,

$$\frac{P}{\delta} = \frac{Gd}{8C^3n} \quad (10-5)$$

It may be noted that the right-hand side of this equation is constant for a particular spring; hence  $P/\delta$  is constant. Its units are pounds per inch, its physical interpretation is the number of pounds required to deflect the spring 1 in., and it is known as the *spring rate*. The spring rate represents the slope of the load-deflection line as shown in Fig. 10-4. Any difference between the ideal line and the actual curve is due principally to the change in number of active coils as the spring is deflected, to elastic hysteresis of the material, and to friction between the end coils in contact with each other or with the loading plate.

Compression springs in which the free length is more than four times the mean diameter of the coils may fail by sidewise buckling. If space limitations make the use of such slender springs necessary, they may be guided on a central rod or mounted in a hole or tube, but the coils are apt to bind and cause wear. Instead, the spring may be resolved into a series of short springs separated by guided bushings. The designer

<sup>1</sup> A. M. Wahl, Further Research on Helical Springs of Round and Square Wire, *Trans. ASME*, 1930.

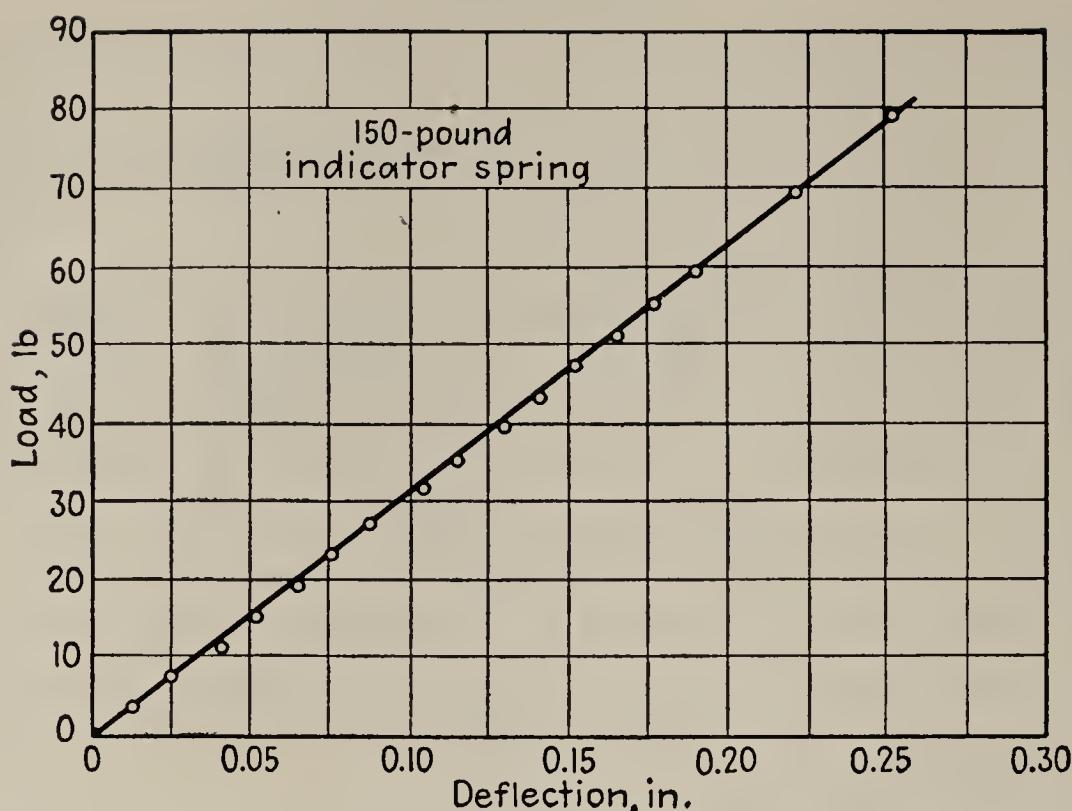


FIG. 10-4. Load-deflection characteristics for an indicator spring in compression.

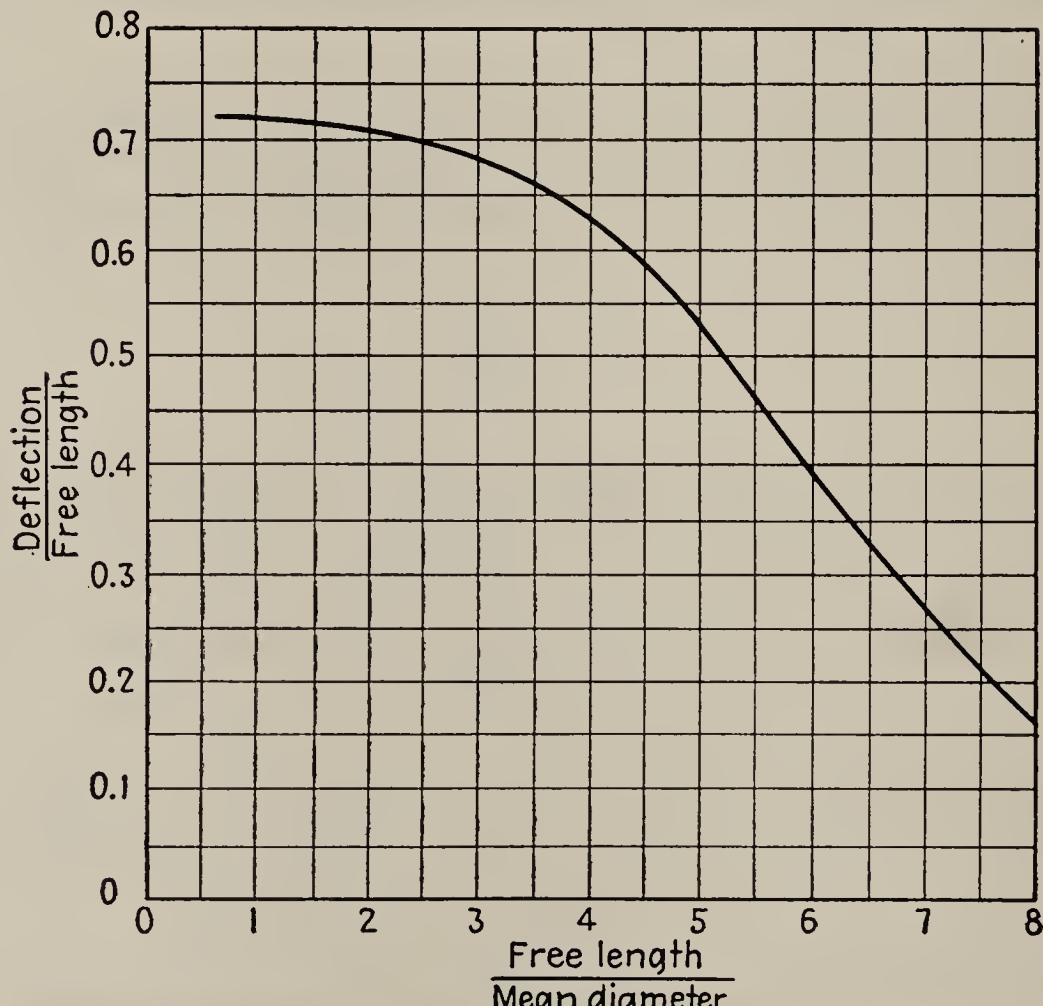


FIG. 10-5. Buckling will occur at points above curve.

should be aware, however, of the increase in diameter of a spring when it is compressed. This is owing to the changing of slope of the coils and to the unwinding of the coils.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See SAE War Engineering Board Manual, "Design and Application of Helical and Spiral Springs for Ordnance," Society of Automotive Engineers, New York, February, 1943.

The curve in Fig. 10-5 may be used to determine the possibility of buckling of a helical compression spring with squared and ground ends, mounted so that the ends move only in the axial direction.

*Springs of noncircular wire.* Helical springs may be made of noncircular wire, such as square or rectangular, wound flatwise or edgewise, for two purposes: (a) to provide greater resilience in a given space, or (b) to provide for predetermined altering of the spring rate by grinding off the outside of the coils. With regard to the latter use of rectangular-wire springs, the required calculations become very complicated for round-wire springs but are relatively simple for rectangular wire, especially for edgewise winding as shown in Fig. 10-6.

The maximum shearing stress in a helical compression or tension spring made of square wire is equal to

$$s_s = K \frac{2.40PD}{b^3}$$

The axial deflection is equal to

$$\delta = \frac{5.58PC^3n}{Gb}$$

where  $P$  = axial load on the spring, lb

$D$  = mean diameter of the coils, in.

$b$  = width or thickness of square wire, in.

$n$  = number of active coils

$C$  = spring index =  $D/b$

$G$  = torsional modulus of elasticity, psi

$K$  = stress factor (see Fig. 10-3)

**10-3 Spring material.<sup>1</sup>** To aid the designer in the selection of spring material, the service for which helical springs are used may be broadly classified as severe, average, and light. While the classification in a particular application depends largely on the designer's judgment, in general, *severe service* includes rapid continuous loading where the ratio of minimum to maximum stress is one-half or less, as in valve springs. *Average service* includes the same stress range as in severe service but with only intermittent operation, as in engine-governor springs. *Light service* includes springs subjected to loads that are static or very infrequently varied, as in safety-valve springs.



FIG. 10-6. Helical spring made of rectangular wire.

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<sup>1</sup> A. M. Wahl, General Considerations in Designing Mechanical Springs, *Machine Design*, April, 1938.

Music wire (ASTM A228-41) is suitable for small springs made of wire up to 0.028 in. in diameter, or if necessary for strength and finish up to 0.125 in. Oil-tempered wire (ASTM A229-41, about SAE 1065) is suitable for low stresses and noncritical uses. Valve-spring wire (ASTM A230-41) is used when long life is important, or alloy steel wire (SAE 6150) may be used. For high-temperature applications, tungsten high-speed steel (18-4-1) or molybdenum type (6-6-2) is suitable. Nonferrous materials include phosphor bronze, beryllium copper, silicon bronze, nickel-silver alloys (German silver), or nickel alloys, such as Monel, K Monel, Iconel, Iconel X, and Z nickel may be used. As to forming, springs made of wire less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. in diameter are formed cold; wire over  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. is hot formed.<sup>1</sup>

**10-4 Allowable stresses.** *Static loading.* For helical coil springs subjected to static loading, the elastic limit in torsion may be used as a basis for determining the working stress. For springs subjected to light service, a factor of safety of 1.5 is suggested. The factor may be used to divide into the yield-point stress to obtain the working stress, or to multiply the actual spring load to obtain a limit load to use for design purposes. In case failure of the spring would have serious consequences, the factor of 1.5 should be raised, whereas if breaking of the spring would cause only minor inconvenience, the factor may be lowered somewhat.

In determining the maximum stress induced in the wire, the effect of ductility of the material should be considered. The value of the Wahl stress factor  $K$  includes both the effect of curvature of the wire and of direct shearing stress in the wire. The direct shearing stress is uniformly distributed over the wire section. However, the stress augment due to wire curvature is concentrated at the inside of the coil. This latter stress has the nature of a localized stress or a stress concentration and, as discussed in Chap. 4, this type of stress concentration is not serious in *ductile* materials subjected to *static* loads. Therefore the use of the full value of  $K$  in Eq. (10-3) will result in conservative design. Equation (10-2) will give satisfactory results for springs subjected to essentially static loads. Figure 10-7 indicates approximate values for elastic limits in torsion for chrome-vanadium spring steel wire, SAE 6150.

*Fatigue loading.* The same general principles that govern working stresses for members subjected to fatigue loading apply to springs; *i. e.*, the working stresses should be based on the endurance limit of the material, and full consideration should be given to stress concentration, surface finish, range of stress, notch sensitivity of the material, and the possibility of corrosion fatigue. The maximum stress induced in the wire can be satisfactorily determined by the use of Eq. (10-3), although for

<sup>1</sup> See F. P. Zimmerli, Proper Use of Spring Materials, SAE Meeting, French Lick, Ind., June, 1947.

some ranges of stress and for some types of materials this equation gives results that are somewhat high.<sup>1</sup>

In order to determine allowable shearing stresses, several methods have been proposed to allow for the effect of range of stress, *i.e.*, the ratio of minimum stress to maximum stress in the wire. The most promising of these methods<sup>1</sup> is based on the consideration that the actual stress is composed of a variable stress superimposed on a steady stress (see Art. 5-4). For example, as shown in Fig. 5-1, an assumed stress range in a spring of  $s_{\max} = 30,000$  psi to  $s_{\min} = 20,000$  psi would be considered as a variable stress  $s_v = \pm 5,000$  psi superimposed upon a static stress  $s_m = 25,000$  psi.

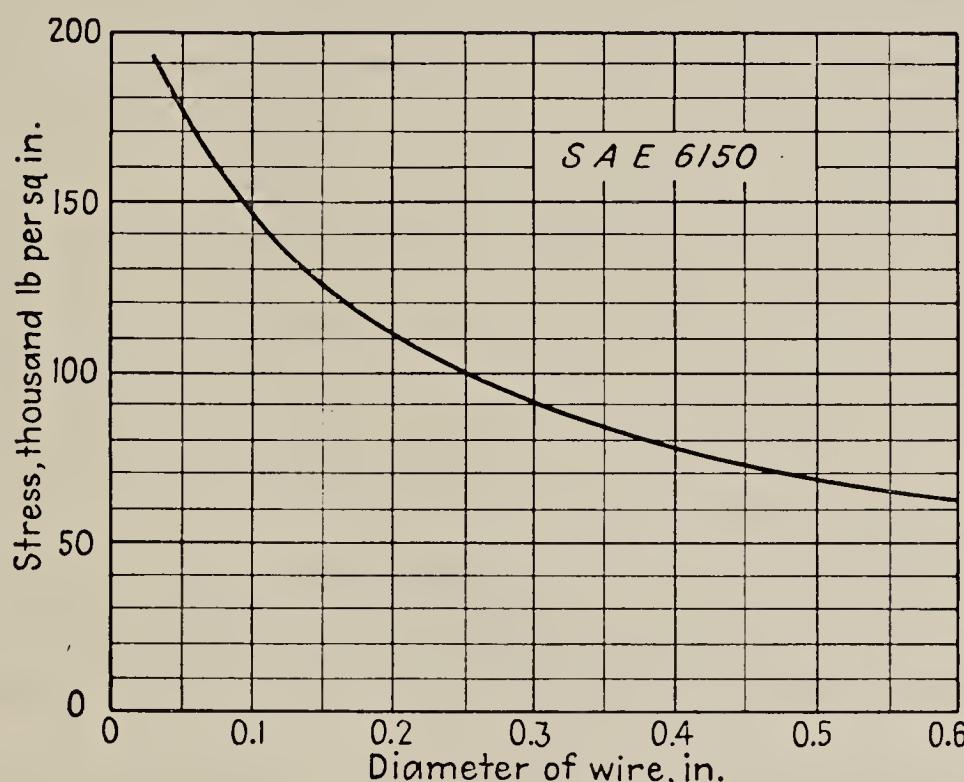


FIG. 10-7. Torsional elastic limit for SAE 6150 spring wire.

As a further step, the effects of stress concentration and of the "sensitivity index" are considered separately in their influence on the two components of stress, since one component is static and the other variable.

Since endurance data for spring wire under all representative conditions of service are not available to date, it appears satisfactory at the present time to use Eq. (10-3) with the full value of the Wahl stress factor for determining the induced stress and to use available endurance data, as in Fig. 10-8, to determine allowable stresses. This procedure will result in conservative design.

In Fig. 10-8 are shown allowable torsional stress ranges for SAE 6150 steel. The ordinate between the 45-deg line and the line for a particular size wire indicates the allowable stress range for any value of the minimum

<sup>1</sup> See A. M. Wahl, Analysis of Effect of Wire Curvature of Allowable Stresses in Helical Springs, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 61, p. A-25, 1939.

stress. For example, if  $s_{\min} = 35,000$  psi, and the wire size is 0.344 in., then  $s_{\max} = 67,000$  psi, or the stress range is 35,000 to 67,000 psi as indicated in the figure.

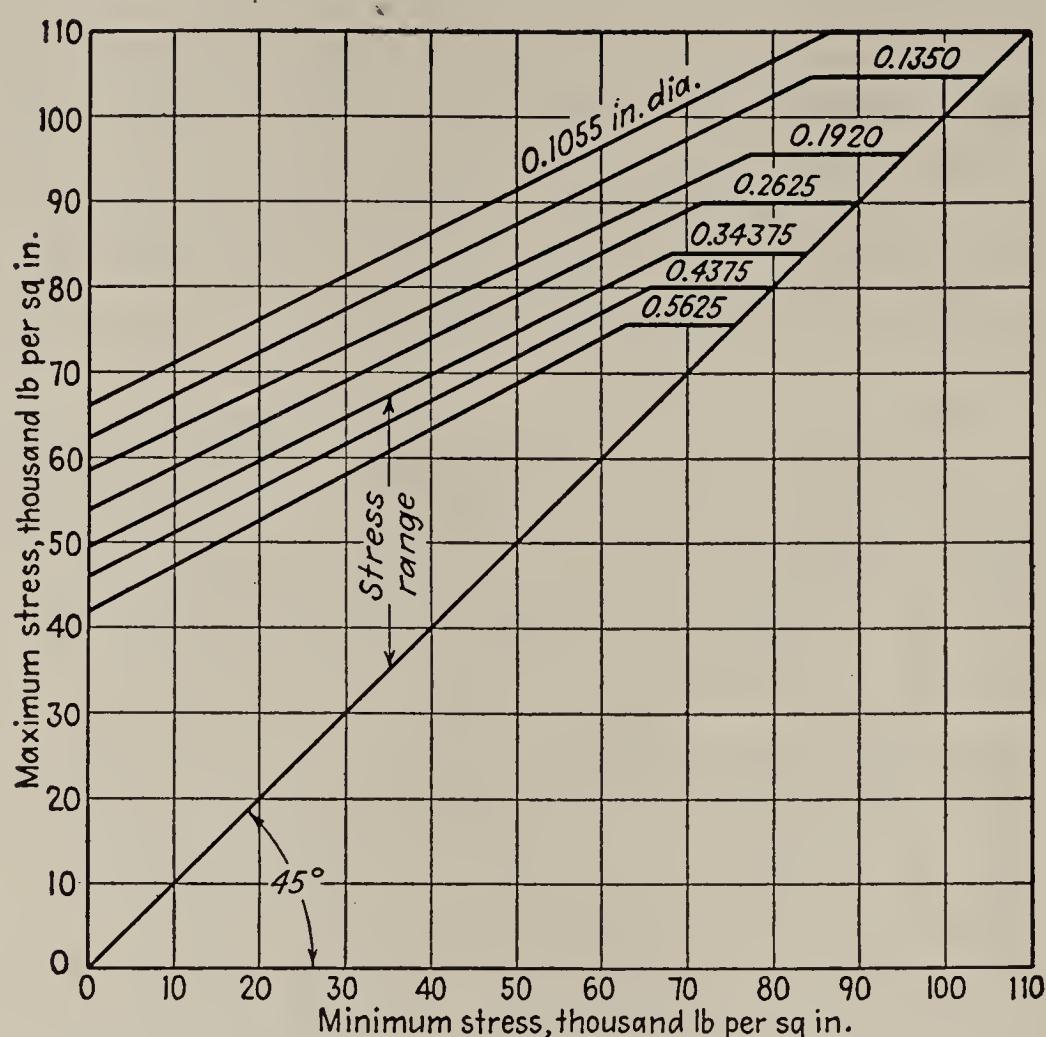


FIG. 10-8. Allowable torsional-stress range for SAE 6150 steel.

For general-purpose helical springs, design stresses used by Westinghouse Electric Corporation are given in Table 10-1. These stresses should be used with Eq. (10-3) and apply to SAE 6150 oil-tempered hot-wound springs heat-treated after forming. The stresses are conservative and may be increased if conditions warrant.<sup>1</sup>

TABLE 10-1. SPRING DESIGN STRESSES, PSI

Wire diameter, in.	Severe service	Average service	Light service
Up to 0.085	60,000	75,000	93,000
0.085–0.185	55,000	69,000	85,000
0.185–0.320	48,000	60,000	74,000
0.320–0.530	42,000	52,000	65,000
0.530–0.970	36,000	45,000	56,000
0.970–1.5	32,000	40,000	50,000

<sup>1</sup> A. M. Wahl, "Mechanical Springs," p. 135, Penton Publishing Company, Cleveland, 1944; "Handbook of Mechanical Spring Design," Division of Associated Spring Corp. Bristol, Conn., 1948; Kent's "Mechanical Engineers Handbook, Design and Production," 12th ed., sec. 11, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1952.

**EXAMPLE 10-1.** A helical valve spring is to be designed for an operating load range of approximately 20 to 30 lb, that is, 20 lb when the valve is closed and 30 lb when open. The deflection of the spring (valve lift) in the above load range is to be about 0.3 in. Assuming severe service and a spring index of 10, determine the size of wire, size and number of coils, and pitch you would recommend.

**NOTE:** Since the engine for which this valve is to be used will operate intermittently and since failure of the spring would not have serious consequences, the design stress may be assumed as about 25 per cent in excess of the recommendations in Table 10-1.

**SOLUTION:** From Eq. (10-3),

$$d^2 = \frac{8KPC}{\pi s_s} = \frac{8 \times 1.15 \times 30 \times 10}{\pi s_s} = \frac{880}{s_s}$$

**Size of wire:** For a trial, assume the size of the wire will be between 0.085 and 0.185 in. in Table 10-1. Then the allowable stress will be  $1.25 \times 55,000 = 68,700$  psi.

$$d^2 = \frac{880}{68,700} = 0.128 \text{ in.}^2$$

or

$$d = 0.113 \text{ in.}$$

**Use No. 11 wire, diameter = 0.120 in., from Appendix XIV.** If the calculated size of the wire had not been in the range assumed, further trials would have been necessary.

**Number of coils:** The figure shows that the spring rate is

$$\frac{P}{\delta} = \frac{10}{0.3} = 33.3 \text{ lb per in.}$$

The spring rate represents the slope of the load-deflection line and is constant over the entire range.

Equation (10-5) may be written as

$$n = \frac{Gd}{8C^3(P/\delta)} = \frac{11,500,000 \times 0.120}{8 \times 10^3 \times 33.3} = 5.18$$

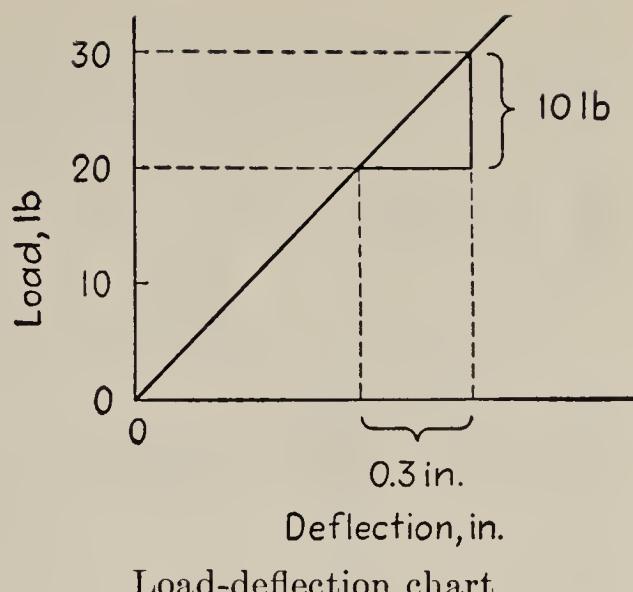
Use  $5\frac{1}{2}$  active coils or  $7\frac{1}{2}$  total number of coils to allow for one coil at each end of the spring for squaring and grinding as in Fig. 10-10(d).

The actual spring rate is

$$\frac{P}{\delta} = \frac{Gd}{8C^3n} = \frac{11,500,000 \times 0.120}{8 \times 10^3 \times 5.5} = 31.4 \text{ lb per in.}$$

This differs from the previous value because of rounding out the size of wire and number of coils.

**Pitch of coils:** A valuable feature of a compression spring is that there is an automatic stop to the deflection when the coils come into contact and the spring becomes



Load-deflection chart.

solid. If the shear stress in the wire at this condition is below the yield point, the spring will not be damaged due to overstressing the wire in shear. It is therefore desirable to specify the pitch of the coils so that if the spring is accidentally or carelessly compressed solid the stress will not exceed the yield point in torsion. From Fig. 10-7, the yield point in torsion is 135,000 psi. The corresponding load on the spring is

$$P = \frac{\pi d^2 s_s}{8KC} = \frac{\pi \times (0.120)^2 \times 135,000}{8 \times 1.15 \times 10} = 66.4 \text{ lb}$$

The corresponding deflection of the spring is

$$\frac{66.4}{31.4} = 2.11 \text{ in.}$$

From the equations in Art. 10-5 for spring lengths, the compressed-solid length of the spring is

$$(n + 1)d = (5.5 + 1) \times 0.120 = 0.78 \text{ in.}$$

The free length of the spring is the compressed-solid length plus the deflection required to compress it solid; thus the free length of the spring is

$$0.78 + 2.11 = 2.89 \text{ in.}$$

This is equal to  $(np + d)$ , from which the pitch may be found equal to 0.50 in. This is the pitch which would allow a stress at coil closure equal to the yield point. The actual pitch, however, should be less than 0.50 in., to provide a margin of safety as well as to conserve space. By assuming a pitch equal to  $\frac{5}{16}$  in., the free length of the spring becomes

$$\begin{aligned} np + d &= 5.5 \times 0.3125 + 0.120 \\ &= 1.84 \text{ in.} \quad \text{Use } 1\frac{7}{8} \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

The outside diameter of the spring is

$$(C + 1)d = (10 + 1) \times 0.120 = 1.44 \text{ in.} \quad \text{Use } 1\frac{7}{16} \text{ in.}$$

Care must be used in reducing the pitch of the coils as was done above so that the spring does not close up before the maximum service load is reached.

The specifications for the spring are: outside diameter,  $1\frac{7}{16}$  in.; size of wire, No. 11 W and M gauge; pitch of coils,  $\frac{5}{16}$  in.; 7½ coils with squared and ground ends.

**10-5 End connections for helical springs.** A compression helical spring has a number of advantages over a tension spring as follows:

1. There is less stress concentration at the end coils of a compression spring than at the loop or other attaching device of tension spring.
2. Breaking of the wire of a compression spring will not necessarily result in failure of the spring, since the coils adjacent to the break will contact and permit the spring, if it is held in line, to function until repairs can be made.
3. Deflection of a compression spring to the solid condition acts as an automatic limit to the stress in the spring.

The free length of a coil spring is approximately  $np + d$  and the compressed solid length is approximately  $(n + 1)d$  (see Fig. 10-1).

Washburn and Moen wire gauge is usually standard for steel spring wire (see Appendix XIV); Brown and Sharpe is standard for nonferrous materials. The wire size should be specified in decimals.

A spring used in compression for a tension load is shown in Fig. 10-9. End constructions for helical compression springs are shown in Fig. 10-10,<sup>1</sup> and tension-spring connections are shown in Fig. 10-11. There may be a large stress concentration introduced at the loop of a tension spring, as shown in Fig. 10-11(a). The stress concentration depends on the ratio of  $r_0/r_1$ . One spring manufacturer<sup>2</sup> states that a stress factor equal to  $r_0/r_1$  used with Eq. (10-1) gives satisfactory results.

Tension springs<sup>3</sup> are generally wound with initial tension to facilitate handling, so that the spring does not begin to extend until the external load overcomes the initial tension.

In all springs there is eccentricity of loading introduced by the end connections. This eccentricity is generally not appreciable in compression springs having squared and ground ends, large spring index, and six or more active coils.<sup>4</sup>

**10-6 Surge in springs.** When a helical spring rests on a rigid support at one end and the other end is deflected by a suddenly applied load, the coils of the spring will not momentarily share the deflection equally, since time is required for the propagation of stress along the spring wire. An analysis of the progression of the deflection is that the end coil in contact with the applied load deflects, and then this coil transmits a large part of its deflection to the adjacent coil. Thus, in progression, a wave of compressed coils travels along the spring to the supported end, where it is "reflected" and travels back to the deflected end. In the absence of damping, this wave travels along the spring indefinitely. The presence of damping, however, causes the wave to die out. If the time required for the wave to travel from one end of the spring to the other and return coincides with the time interval between load applications, a condition of

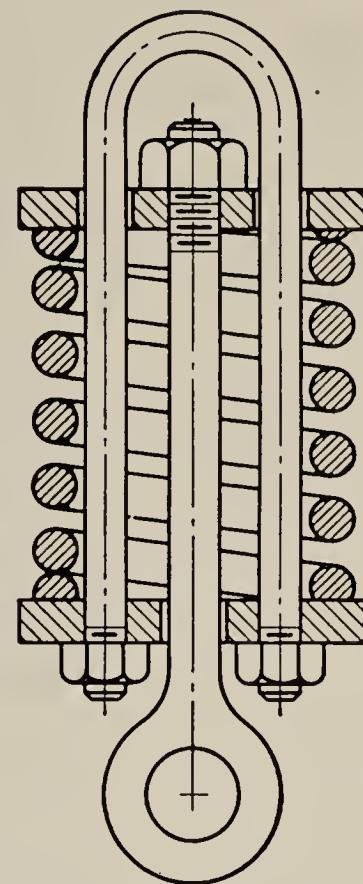


FIG. 10-9. Compression spring arranged for tension rod.

<sup>1</sup> See Design Work Sheets, *Product Eng.*

<sup>2</sup> Barnes, Gibson, Raymond, "The Art and Science of Spring Making," 4th ed., p. 47, Division of Associated Spring Corp., Detroit and Ann Arbor, Mich, 1941.

<sup>3</sup> "Handbook of Mechanical Spring Design," Division of Associated Spring Corp., Bristol, Conn., 1948.

<sup>4</sup> C. T. Edgerton, Stresses in Helical Compression Springs—Present Status of Problem, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 61, 1939.

resonance is reached and very large deflections of the coils will be produced with correspondingly high stresses. Under this condition failure of the spring may result. To avoid the possibility of resonance or surge in springs, it is advisable to ensure that the natural frequency of the spring be considerably removed from the frequency of application of the load.<sup>1</sup>

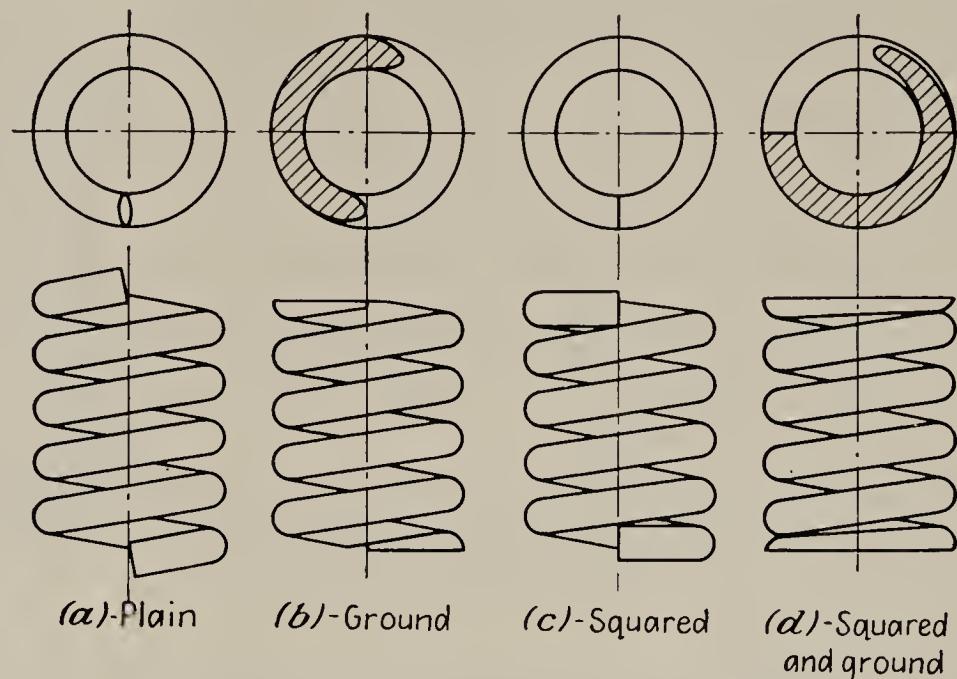


FIG. 10-10. Compression spring ends.

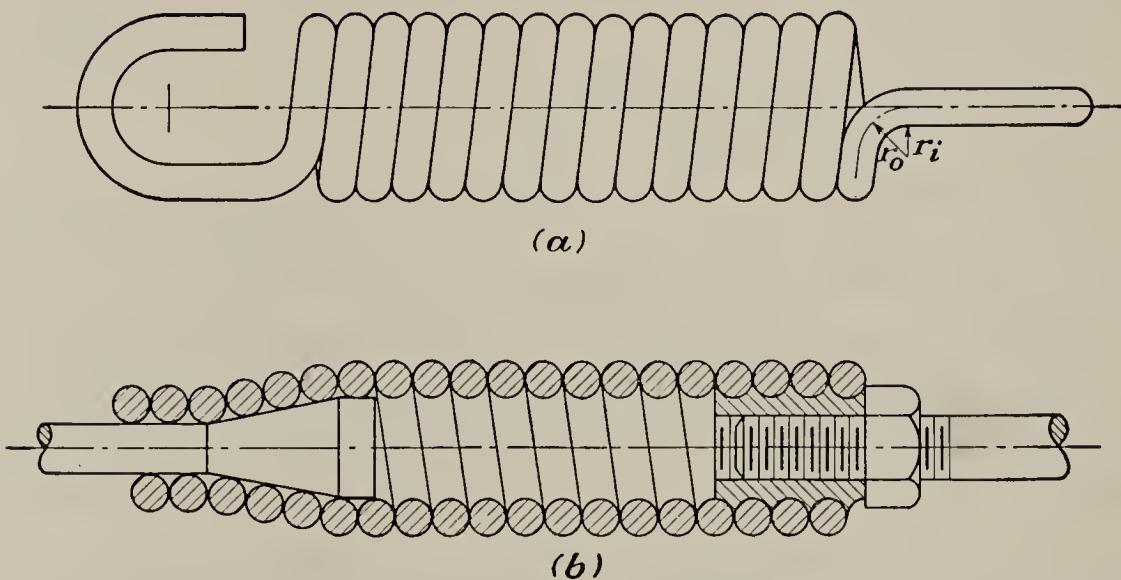


FIG. 10-11. Tension springs.

The condition of surge has been a problem in valve springs in internal-combustion engines in connection with spring breakage and valve fluttering.

The following equation may be used to determine the natural frequency of a steel coil spring, as described above.

$$f_n = \frac{761,500d}{nD^2}$$

<sup>1</sup> W. M. Griffith in Engineering Standards for the Design of Springs, *Product Eng.*, July, 1939, states that the natural frequency of the spring should be at least 20 times that of the frequency of the applied load.

where  $f_n$  = natural frequency, cpm

$d$  = diameter of spring wire, in.

$n$  = number of active coils

$D$  = mean diameter of coils, in.

*Stranded-wire springs.* In some applications of springs, such as in machine-gun mechanisms, the velocity of application of the load is high and the reflection of stress waves in the spring may give rise to resonant stresses. The low damping capacity of steel may permit these stresses to reach large magnitudes which may result in short life of a conventional spring.

Springs made of stranded wire have shown improved performance in these applications. The springs are usually wound with wire made of three strands of preformed wire in which the direction of winding the

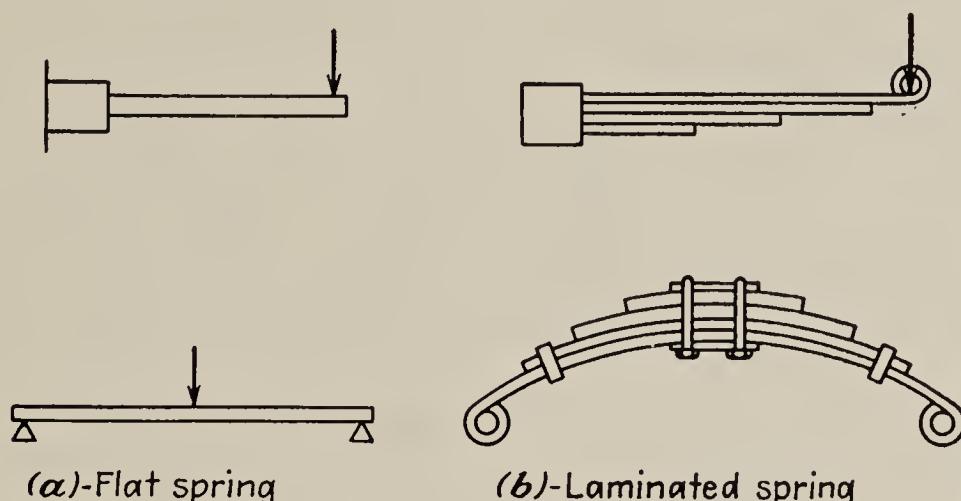


FIG. 10-12. Forms of leaf springs.

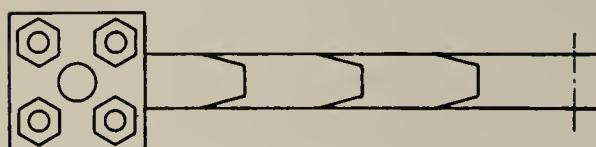
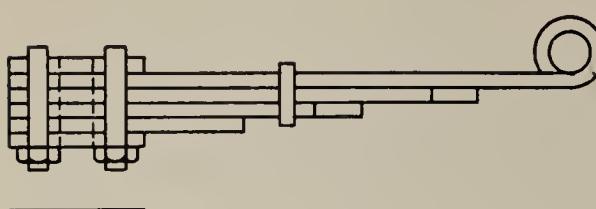
strands is opposite to the direction of winding the coils to form the spring, so that the deflection of the spring tends to wind the individual wires closer together, which introduces frictional damping and thus decreases the magnitude of the transient stresses. The fatigue life of stranded-wire springs has been increased as much as four times over the life of conventional springs.<sup>1</sup>

**10-7 Leaf springs.** Leaf springs may have the form of a single leaf, as shown in Fig. 10-12(a), or they may be laminated, as shown at (b). The laminated form is used to secure large resilience within a small space. A common trouble with laminated springs is fatigue failure of the leaves. Some factors contributing to this type of failure are the weakening effect of the hole if the center bolt is used, contact pressures produced by U bolts and rebound clips, stress concentration caused by improperly shaped leaf ends, initial curvature and relative change of curvature of the leaves during loading, vibration of the spring ends during rebound, which may

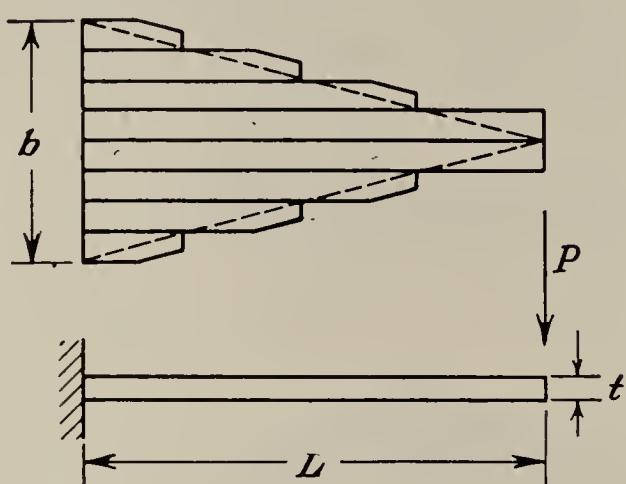
<sup>1</sup> H. H. Clark, Stranded Wire Helical Springs for Machine Guns, *Product Eng.*, July, 1946, p. 154.

cause breakage of a leaf at an unloaded location, and improper heat-treatment, especially surface decarburization. Each of these factors has

at least a partial cure, which should be incorporated in leaf-spring design.<sup>1</sup>



(a) Leaf spring



(b) Equivalent flat cantilever

FIG. 10-13. Leaf spring and equivalent cantilever.

*Stresses and deflections in leaf springs.* The equations for maximum stress and for deflection in leaf springs may be closely determined by the method shown in the following example of a cantilever leaf spring. In Fig. 10-13(b) is shown a flat cantilever made up by splitting the leaves of the actual spring shown at (a) and laying them side by side to form a beam of uniform thickness  $t$ , as shown by the dotted line in (b) which is a beam of uniform strength. The breadth at the fixed end is  $b$ , which is the sum of the widths of the composite leaves.

The equations are for the maximum stress

$$s = \frac{6PL}{bt^2} \quad (a)$$

and for the deflection at the free (loaded) end

$$\delta = \frac{6PL^3}{Ebt^3} \quad (b)$$

where  $E$  is the modulus of elasticity in pounds per square inch and the other notation is as shown in Fig. 10-13.

Laminated springs permit a saving in material and a greater deflection than a spring of constant depth, that is, they have greater resilience and shock-absorbing ability.

**10-8 Other types of metallic springs.** *Concentric helical springs.* These springs are usually used in compression and provide a large amount of resilience in a small space, and are also used for safety in the event of

<sup>1</sup> V. L. Maleev and J. B. Hartman, "Machine Design," p. 305, International Textbook Company, Scranton, Pa., 1954; "Manual on Design and Application of Leaf Springs," SAE War Engineering Board, Society of Automotive Engineers, New York, 1944.

failure of one of the component springs. The direction of winding of the two helices is opposite to avoid locking of the coils in the event of sideways misalignment or buckling. The design of concentric helical springs should be based on equal maximum stresses in the wires of the two springs.

*Conical and volute springs.* Springs of this type are made of round or rectangular wire with coils of decreasing size to provide for telescoping of the coils. The decrements of coil sizes in relation to the wire size may provide for partial or complete telescoping in springs made of round wire, or for complete telescoping of springs made of rectangular wire wound with the long side of the wire parallel to the axis of the spring.

A comparison of the construction of a conical and a volute spring shows that the conical spring is wound with a constant axial pitch, resulting in

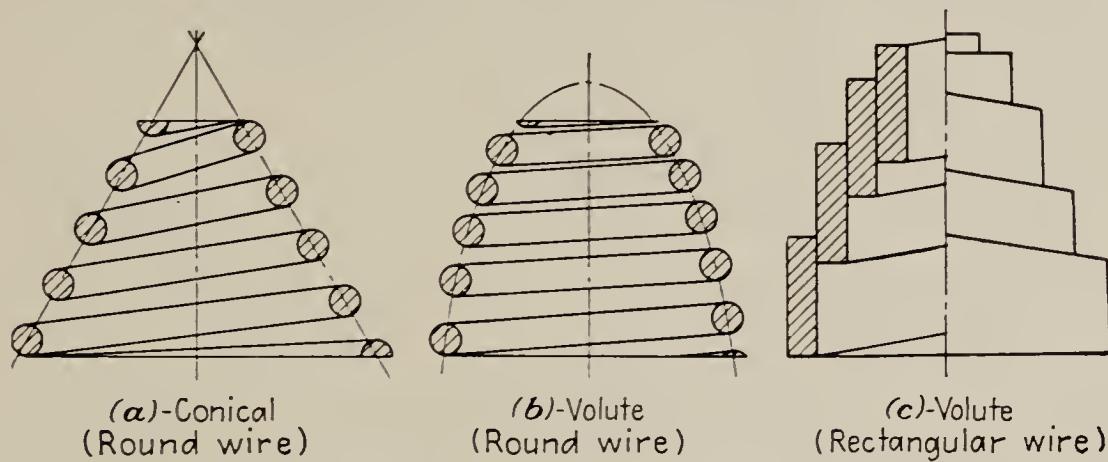


FIG. 10-14. Conical and volute springs.

a spring with a variable pitch angle and an outline of a truncated cone, as shown in Fig. 10-14(a), whereas a volute spring is wound with a constant pitch angle and a variable axial pitch, resulting in a spring with the outline of a truncated paraboloid, as shown in Fig. 10-14(b) and (c).

Both conical and volute springs have a constant spring rate until the largest active coil "bottoms" or becomes inactive. Thereafter the number of *active* coils decreases as the load is applied and, as a result, the spring rate increases. Thus such springs become "stiffer" as they are loaded.<sup>1</sup> This is a very desirable characteristic for some applications.

The compactness of conical and volute springs and their variable spring rate are desirable in some applications; however, an accompanying disadvantage is an inefficient distribution of stress in the spring. The distribution of stress is complicated in that it varies both *along* the wire and *over* the cross section of the wire. The stress along the wire is a maximum at the largest active coil and it decreases toward the smallest coil. However, as the load on the spring increases, the larger coils "bottom" and become inactive, and hence the remaining active coils support the

<sup>1</sup> Bernhard Sterne, Characteristics of the Volute Spring, *SAE Journal*, vol. 50, p. 221, 1942.

increasing loads that induce increasing stresses. The maximum stress that is possible occurs when the smallest coil is the only active one, and this condition should be the basis for design if the spring is likely to be compressed solid. The Wahl stress factor for the coil of smallest index, i.e., the smallest coil, should be used.

The influence of the stress factor becomes considerable in springs wound of rectangular wire "on edge," as in Fig. 10-14(c). In some volute springs, the wire is tapered toward the small-coil end, giving a somewhat more favorable stress distribution.

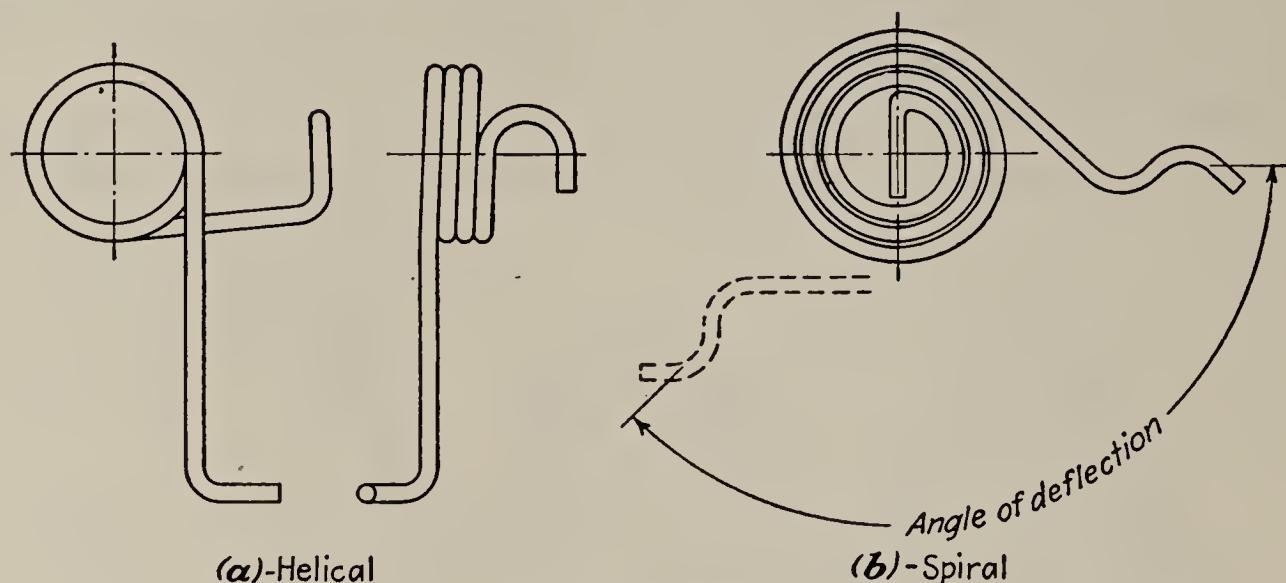


FIG. 10-15. Torsion springs.

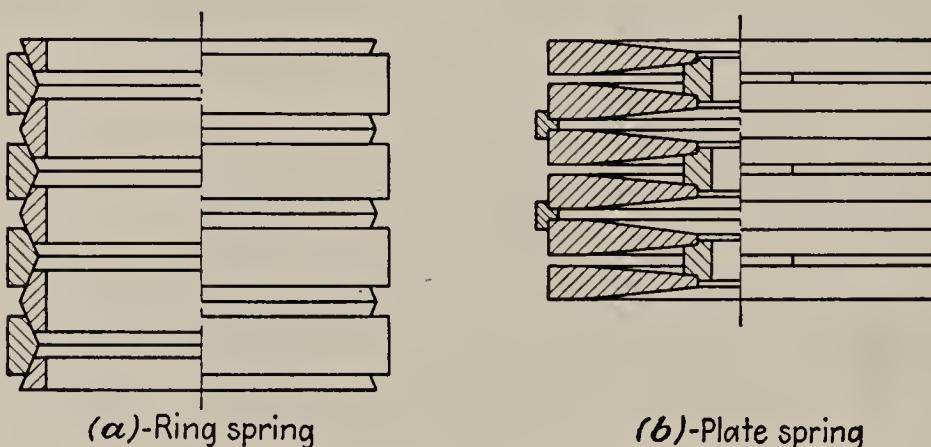


FIG. 10-16. Springs having high rate.

To determine the deflection of a conical or volute spring, the equations for the deflection of a helical spring may be used, in which the mean coil diameter is used as the average of the mean diameters of the active coils.

*Torsion springs* are of either helical or spiral form, as shown in Fig. 10-15. These springs may be used in flexible drives, for cushions and return springs in starters, and in various electrical devices and mechanisms, and for spring-closed covers.

*Ring springs* and *plate springs* as shown in Fig. 10-16 are used where high spring rates are desirable, as in flexible support for heavy equipment, in large flexible couplings, and in large valve springs. In Fig. 10-16(a), a compressive load causes the external rings to stretch and the

internal ones to be compressed. The slope of the contact areas is critical in order to provide for proper ring deformation and allowable compressive forces between the rings. The compressive forces are limited by compressive stresses, and frictional forces to permit self-release of the rings.

*Belleville springs.* A type of plate spring known as the "disk," or Belleville, spring has found many uses in applications requiring high spring rates and compact spring units.<sup>1</sup> A nest of these springs is shown in Fig. 10-17. The unit may be held in alignment by a central bolt or tube.

*The Neg'ator spring.* This spring is called the neg'ator spring because it can be designed to produce a force-deflection characteristic with a negative slope, as

shown in Fig. 10-18(a); also it can be designed for a zero slope (constant force) or for a positive slope.

The spring is composed of a flat steel band which is prestressed so that it has a natural curvature and which is wound on a flat-faced reel. A force must be exerted on the end of the spring to unwind it from the reel and in turn the spring tends to wind itself back on the reel. Depending on the degree of prestressing, the force on the spring may be constant or it may increase or decrease as the band is unwound from the reel. Figure 10-18(b) shows such a spring.

At (c) in the figure is an application of a constant-force spring used in an aircraft as a counterbalance to provide for ease in lowering and raising an instrument from the fuselage for inspection so that it will remain in place wherever it is

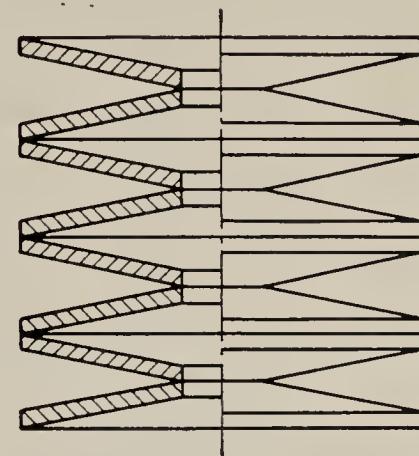
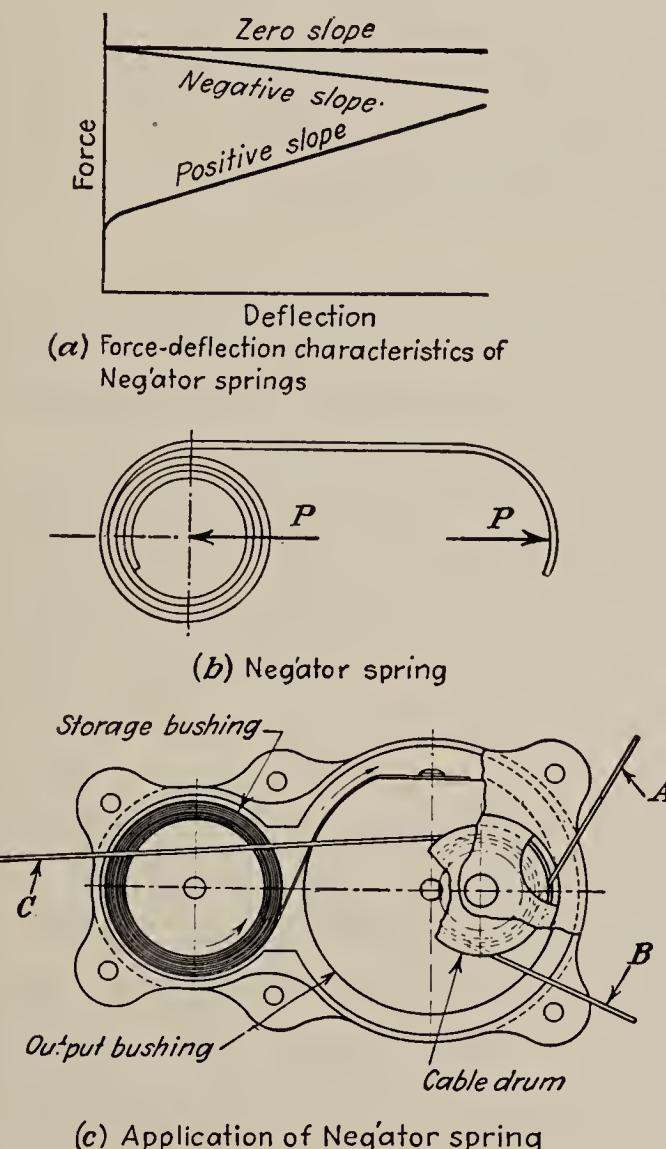


FIG. 10-17. Nest of disk springs.



Courtesy of Hunter Spring Co. and Republic Aviation Corp.

FIG. 10-18. Neg'ator springs.

stopped. The neg'ator spring wound on the storage bushing (or reel) provides a constant tangential force on the output bushing. The output

<sup>1</sup> See Almen and Laszlo, Disk Springs Facilitate Compactness, *Machine Design*, June, 1936.

bushing is geared to the cable drum around which are wound cables *A*, *B*, and *C* which run over pulleys and provide three-point suspension for the instrument. In this application, the instrument weighs 36 lb and may be lowered a distance of 18 in. from the latched position. In this case due to space and weight limitations dead-weight counterbalances are not possible.

Neg'ator springs have a large variety of applications in the industrial field as well as in mechanisms of all types, such as in business machines, office, household, and building equipment and in servomechanisms. The spring units are light in weight, occupy small space, and have versatile characteristics.<sup>1</sup>

*Torsion-bar springs.* The torsion-bar spring has a range of applications from precision instruments to vehicle suspensions. The bars are usually solid of circular cross section, although hollow tubes and rectangular bars are used. The torsion bar is usually fixed at one end, with a radial bearing and crank arm at the other end. The suspended load at the end of the crank twists the bar. The "spring rate" is usually expressed as torsional moment in inch-pounds per degree of twist ( $T/\theta$ ). The usual equations for torsional stress and angular deflection may be used in the design of torsion-bar springs.

The stresses are limited by "settling" in service or by fatigue failure. Proper selection of material and heat-treatment<sup>2</sup> is effective in securing suitable endurance properties and for limiting settling. Shot peening is effective in raising the endurance limit but will not reduce settling.

For fastening the ends of the bar, splines are suitable for heavy service but the rod should be upset at the ends so that the outside diameter of the spline may be 20 to 30 per cent greater than the diameter of the bar. The length of the spline is usually about 0.4 times the diameter of the spline. To avoid stress concentration, the transition from the body of the bar to the spline should be gradual.

In many applications the use of torsion bars makes possible a saving in weight and space as well as desirable load-deflection characteristics.

**10-9 Nonmetallic springs.** *Air springs* secure resilience by means of air confined in a cylinder with the load supported by a plunger. The position of the plunger and the spring rate can be altered by controlling the air pressure. One application is in passenger busses so arranged that as the bus becomes loaded with passengers, the air pressure is externally

<sup>1</sup> See W. J. Cook and P. C. Clarke, The Neg'ator Spring—A Basic New Elastic Member, *Product Eng.*, July, 1944; F. A. Votta, The Theory and Design of Long-deflection, Constant-force Spring Elements, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 74, p. 439, 1952. Also see literature from Hunter Spring Co., Lansdale, Pa.

<sup>2</sup> See "SAE Manual of Design and Manufacture of Torsion Bar Springs," SP-26, 1947.

and automatically increased in order to maintain the normal level of the body.

*Rubber springs.* A type of flexible support that has advantages in some applications employs rubber or a material with similar properties

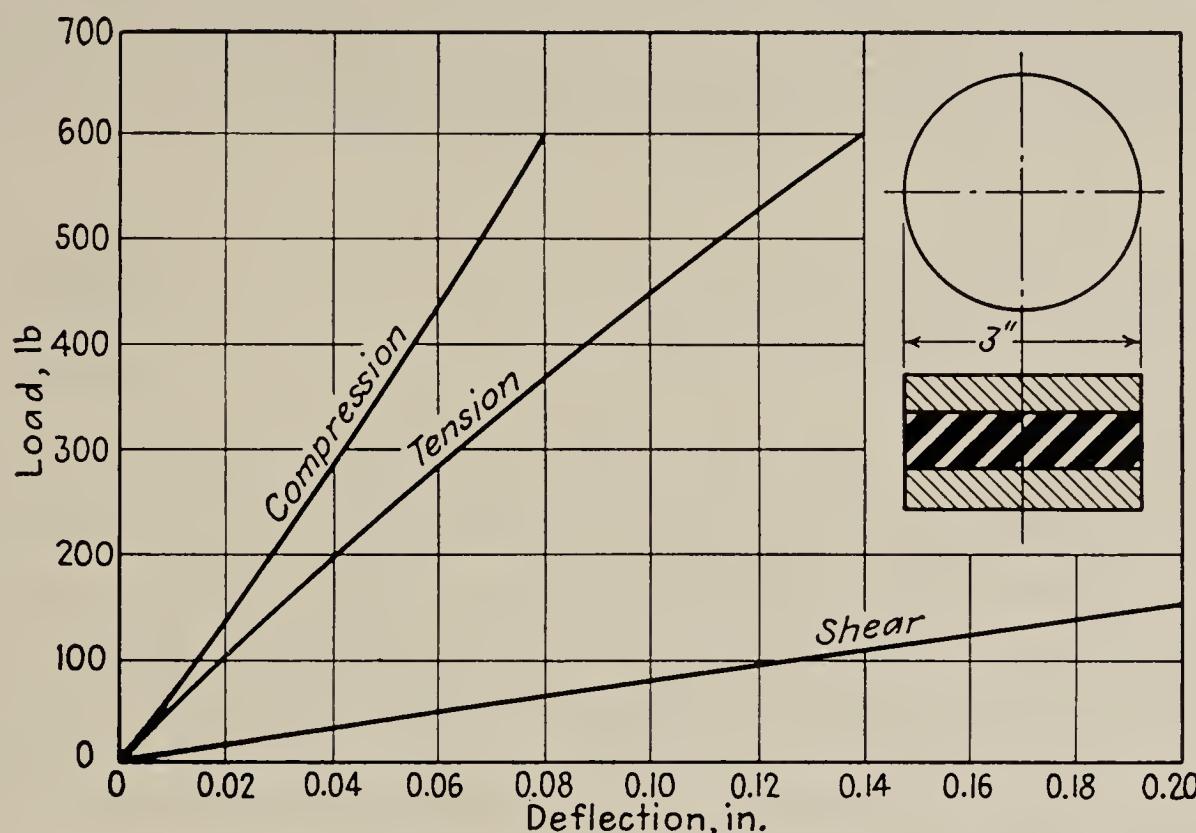


FIG. 10-19. Load-deflection characteristics of a rubber mounting.

to provide suitable load-deflection characteristics. The usual support of this type employs rubber in compression and/or shear.

Rubber in shear instead of compression is particularly adaptable to large deformations per unit load. The comparison is shown by Fig. 10-19.

One type of a rubber mounting uses a series of shear units which provide a spring rate comparable with that of a steel coil spring. One of these mountings designed for supporting an axial compressive load is shown in Fig. 10-20 in which the rubber, bonded to the sleeves, is in shear and compression.<sup>1</sup>

As contrasted with metallic springs which have practically no damping, the nonmetallic springs have advantages in their inherent damping properties which are of considerable value in vibration loading. The rubber should be protected from oil and high temperature. If it is not practicable to keep oil from the rubber, a material such as neoprene should be used.

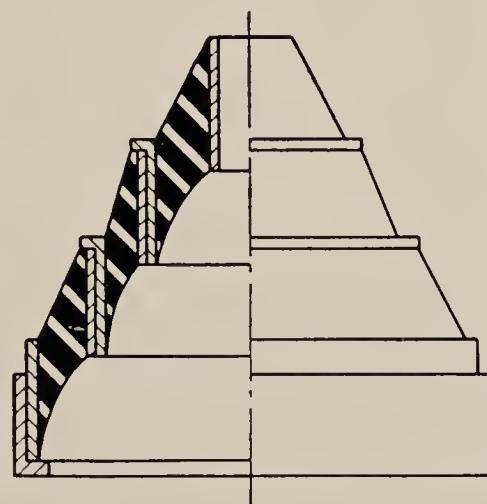


FIG. 10-20. Rubber spring.

<sup>1</sup> F. L. Haushalter, Rubber as a Load-carrying Material, *SAE Journal*, January, 1939; J. F. Downie Smith, Rubber Springs—Shear Loading, *J. Appl. Mechanics*, June, 1939.

**10-10 Additional considerations.** *Protective coatings.* For springs subjected to repeated loading in corrosive environment, including intermittent applications of water, the problem of corrosion fatigue appears. The use of nonmetallic protective coatings is in general of doubtful advantage, and even metallic coatings may yield disappointing results. Cadmium plating gives comparatively good results, as shown by the following fatigue limits of a specimen of spring steel:<sup>1</sup>

Uncoated, in air.....	70,000 psi
0.0004 in. cadmium plate, in water.....	42,000 psi
0.0002 in. cadmium plate, in water.....	35,000 psi
Uncoated, in water.....	18,000 psi

*Interleaves.* To prevent wear in leaf springs due to interleaf friction, oil or grease may be used as a lubricant. The lubricant may be squeezed out from between the leaves, leaving the surfaces of the plates dry except for an adsorbed film. This film may be broken through at regions of excessive pressure, and abrasive or galling wear may result. One attempted cure for this wearing is the introduction of thin wood interleaves between the spring leaves to absorb lubricant, to prevent leaf contact, and to reduce wear.

*Shot peening.* An interesting development in recent years has been the process of shot peening. In this process, coil or leaf springs are subjected to small steel shot blasted from an air nozzle or impelled by mechanical means. The shot impinges on the surface of the springs, which thereby undergoes a surface cold working.<sup>2</sup> The cold working raises the endurance limit of the spring material at the surface; also the peening introduces surface compression, which has the effect of preventing the spread of a fatigue crack and this contributes to raising the endurance limit.

It has been found that the endurance range of small helical springs made of carbon and chrome-vanadium steels may be increased from 20,000 to 70,000 psi up to 20,000 to 115,000 psi. Comparative increases are realized in other steels used for either coil or leaf springs. It is of interest to note that the size of shot and the time of blasting have a bearing on the results. Also, it has been shown that shot peening loses its effectiveness at high temperatures and that the increase in fatigue strength is completely lost at a temperature of 825 F. Too, it has been shown that a shot-peened spring is more susceptible to effects of corrosion,

<sup>1</sup> D. J. McAdam, Jr., Fatigue and Corrosion Fatigue of Spring Material, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 51, p. APM-51-5, 1929.

<sup>2</sup> F. P. Zimmerli, How Shot Blasting Increases Fatigue Life, *Machine Design*, November, 1940, p. 62.

and thus if shot-peened springs are to retain their high endurance ranges they should be protected from corrosion.

Shot peening has also been employed on connecting rods of automotive engines to raise their endurance limits and on link rods of aircraft engines as a substitute for the expensive and time-consuming polishing process. Indications are that shot peening may have beneficial results in many other applications.

## CHAPTER 11

### PRESSURE CYLINDERS

**11-1 Introduction.** Cylinders have a variety of uses in machinery. They may be classified variously, each group requiring particular equations for their design and the class of material for their construction, as follows:

*Dimensions* (thin- and thick-walled cylinders). The ratio  $t/d$ , which is the ratio of wall thickness  $t$  to cylinder diameter  $d$ , is the criterion. Thin-walled cylinders are used for pressure cylinders in small presses, tanks, and low-pressure processing equipment. They are generally made of welded or riveted steel or of seamless steel tubing. Thick-walled cylinders are used in high-pressure cylinders, tanks, gun barrels, etc.

*End construction* (open end or closed). A simple cylinder with a piston, such as a cylinder of a press, is open ended and has circumferential, or hoop, stresses induced by the fluid pressure. A tank has closed ends, and has longitudinal stresses in addition to circumferential stresses. In either open or closed cylinders, the restraint offered by the ends and the relative rigidity of the parts of the cylinder often induce indeterminate stresses at the juncture of the cylinder and the head which are higher than those indicated by elementary equations. These stresses may be of such magnitude in high-pressure installations that accurate calculations based on the theory of elasticity are demanded. Also, stresses due to welding or riveting may be introduced. Such fabrication stresses should be considered when the factor of safety is selected, and reduced to a minimum by appropriate design features, including annealing.

*Material.* The material may be brittle, such as cast iron, or ductile, such as steel. The type of material may dictate the method of failure and thereby the appropriate equation for its strength.

*Service* (conditions of temperature, pressure, and environment). Low-temperature or high-temperature operation may influence the choice of material and the value of the allowable stress, and it may also influence the basis for design, *i.e.*, on elastic state for normal temperatures, or on creep if the temperature for steel cylinders is above 650 F. In addition, thermal stresses may be induced owing to heating or cooling of the cyl-

inder,<sup>1</sup> and in some cases caustic embrittlement is present (see Art. 3-8). High-pressure cylinders may require special considerations because of weight limitations or safety requirements.<sup>2</sup>

Whether the pressure is applied internally or externally will also affect the design. In some pressure vessels which normally have internal pressure, failure because of external pressure should be guarded against in the event of a partial vacuum being formed inside the cylinder, for example, because of condensation in a steam drum or evaporator.

The case of external pressure being applied on the side or ends of cylinders requires design on the basis of buckling.<sup>3</sup>

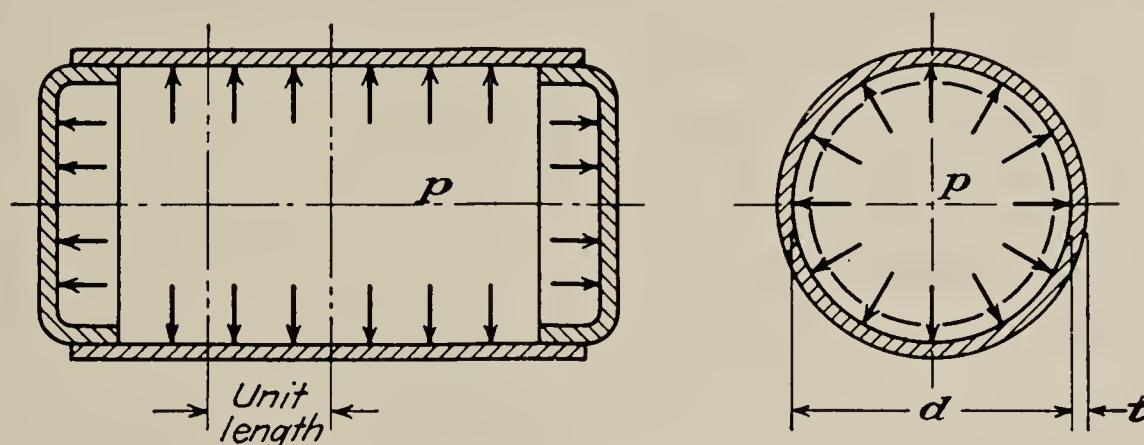


FIG. 11-1. Cylinder with internal pressure.

In chemical apparatus or refining equipment, stainless steel or a corrosion-resistant lining may be required.

The designs of some of the more common types of cylinders subjected to internal pressure are discussed in the following articles.

**11-2 Thin-walled cylinders.** The analysis of stresses induced in a thin-walled cylinder as shown in Fig. 11-1 will be made by neglecting the effects of curvature of the cylinder wall and by assuming that the tensile stresses are uniformly distributed over the section of the walls. This assumption is valid for thin cylinders whose ratio  $t/d$  is equal to or less than 0.1. For values of  $t/d$  greater than this value, the variation from uniform stress distribution becomes appreciable and thick-cylinder design must be used.

*Circumferential tensile stress.* The fluid force acting on a longitudinal section of unit length is equal to  $pd$ , and for equilibrium of forces may be

<sup>1</sup> S. Timoshenko and J. N. Goodier, "Theory of Elasticity," 3d ed., McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1951; C. H. Kent, Thermal Stresses in Thin-walled Cylinders, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 53, p. APM-53-13, 1931.

<sup>2</sup> ASME Boiler Construction Code, sec. VIII, Unfired Pressure Vessels.

<sup>3</sup> S. Timoshenko, "Theory of Elastic Stability," art. 83, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1936; Saunders and Trilling, Collapse by Instability of Thin Cylindrical Shells under External Pressure, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 56, p. 819, 1934; R. G. Sturm, A Study of the Collapsing Pressure of Thin-walled Cylinders, *Univ. Illinois Bull.* 329, 1941; ASME Boiler Construction Code, *loc. cit.*

equated to the resisting force equal to  $2ts_1$ , where  $s_1$  represents the circumferential, or hoop, stress. Thus

$$s_1 = \frac{pd}{2t} \quad (11-1)$$

*Longitudinal tensile stress.* The fluid force acting on a ring section is equal to  $\frac{1}{4}\pi d^2 p$  and for equilibrium of forces may be equated to the resisting force  $\pi dts_2$ , where  $s_2$  represents the longitudinal stress. Thus

$$s_2 = \frac{pd}{4t} \quad (11-2)$$

In Eqs. (11-1) and (11-2),

$s_1$  = circumferential stress, psi

$s_2$  = longitudinal stress, psi

$p$  = internal pressure, psi

$d$  = internal diameter, in.

$t$  = wall thickness, in.

### 11-3 Thick-walled cylinders.

The distribution of stress in thick-walled cylinders cannot be assumed to be uniformly distributed as in the case of thin-walled cylinders. Analysis indicates that the tangential stress in a thick-walled cylinder is considerably greater at the inside surface than at the outside and that the radial stress is of sufficient magnitude to be significant. The distribution of stress is indicated in Fig. 11-2. Equations have been developed for cylinder

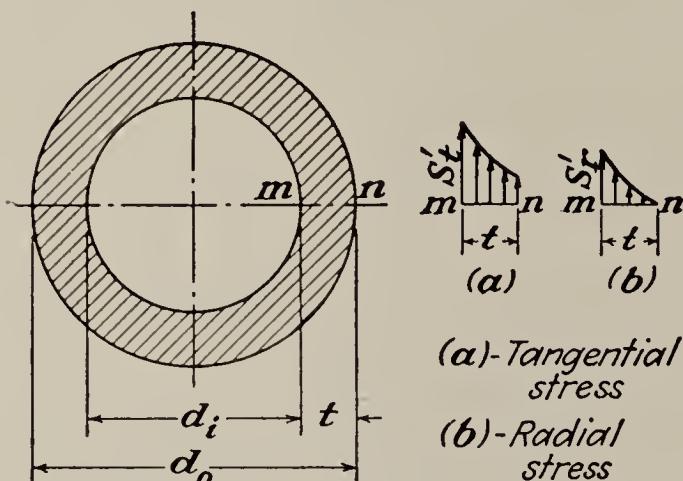


FIG. 11-2. Stress distribution in wall of thick cylinder.

material and conditions as given below. The notation for these equations is as follows:

Let  $d_o$  = outer diameter of cylinder, in.

$d_i$  = inner diameter of cylinder, in.

$p$  = internal pressure, psi

$t$  = wall thickness =  $(d_o - d_i)/2$

$\nu$  = Poisson's ratio

$s'_t$  = tangential stress, psi

$s'_r$  = radial stress, psi

$s'_s$  = maximum shear stress, psi

$s'_t$  = allowable tensile stress (limiting value of  $s'_t$ ), psi

$s_s$  = allowable shear stress (limiting value of  $s'_s$ ), psi

*Lamé's equations for cylinders with internal pressure.* Using the assumption that plane transverse sections of a cylinder remain plane during load-

ing, *i.e.*, that all longitudinal fibers are equally strained, Lamé has shown that the maximum tangential stress at the inside fiber of the cylinder is

$$s'_t(\max) = \frac{p(d_o^2 + d_i^2)}{d_o^2 - d_i^2}$$

and the maximum radial stress at the same point is

$$s'_r = -p$$

*Brittle material.* Since the tangential stress is a principal stress and is a maximum for the biaxial system, in designing a cylinder of *brittle material* and in accordance with the maximum-stress theory of failure, this stress should not be exceeded, or

$$s_t = s'_t(\max) = \frac{p(d_o^2 + d_i^2)}{d_o^2 - d_i^2}$$

If  $t = (d_o - d_i)/2$ , the thickness of a cylinder made of brittle material

$$t = \frac{d_i}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{s_t + p}{s_t - p}} - 1 \right) \quad (11-3)$$

*Equations for ductile materials based on maximum-strain theory.* The stresses in a thick cylinder may be determined by the use of Lamé's equations; however, in some cases, for example, in *open-end* cylinders, such as gun barrels, or in shrink fits, the allowable stresses cannot be determined by means of the maximum-stress theory of failure. For this case, the maximum-strain theory shows closer coincidence with experimental results. According to this theory which states that failure occurs when the strain reaches a limiting value, the strain is expressed in terms of a limiting stress  $s_t$ , and Birnie's equation for this case, when solved for the thickness, becomes

$$t = \frac{d_i}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{s_t + (1 - \nu)p}{s_t - (1 + \nu)p}} - 1 \right) \quad (11-4)$$

Clavarino's equation based on the same theory of failure applies to *closed-end* cylinders as follows:

$$t = \frac{d_i}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{s_t + (1 - 2\nu)p}{s_t - (1 + \nu)p}} - 1 \right) \quad (11-5)$$

The following outline is given for reference to select the equation to be used in the design of thick cylinders:

Brittle material, open ends—use Eq. (11-3)

Brittle material, closed ends—use Eq. (11-3)

Ductile material, open ends—use Eq. (11-4)

Ductile material, closed ends—use Eq. (11-5)

**11-4 Cylinder heads.** Bending of the shell due to the restraint of the heads is shown exaggerated in Fig. 11-3. It is evident that the stresses in the plate induced by fluid pressure, as determined by the cylinder equations in Arts. 11-2 and 11-3, are increased because of the bending of the plate, and this bending becomes greater in proportion to the relative stiffness of the head and shell. The bending stresses may be allowed for in low-pressure cylinder designs by the use of an appropriate allowable stress; however, in high-pressure cylinder designs the bending stresses should be reduced to a minimum by the use of special head construction, as shown in Fig. 11-4(h).

Openings for manholes, hand-holes, nozzle attachments, and other connections markedly affect

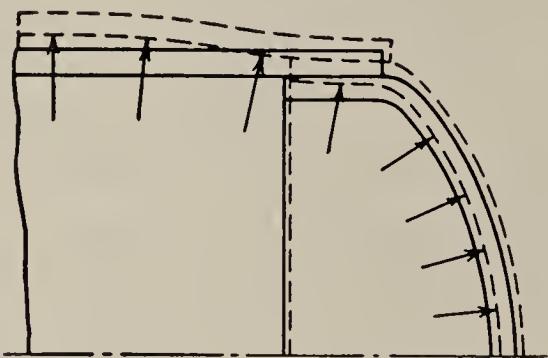


FIG. 11-3. Buckling of shell due to end restraint.

the stresses in pressure vessels and should be carefully considered, especially in high-pressure and high-temperature installations.<sup>1</sup> Examples of head constructions and means of attachment are shown in Fig. 11-4.

<sup>1</sup> Maulbetsch and Hetenyi, Stresses in Pressure Vessels, Design Data, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 58, p. A-107, 1936; Taylor and Waters, The Effect of Openings in Pressure Vessels, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 56, p. APM-56-3, 1934; "Welding Handbook," American Welding Society, pp. 1306 ff., 1942.

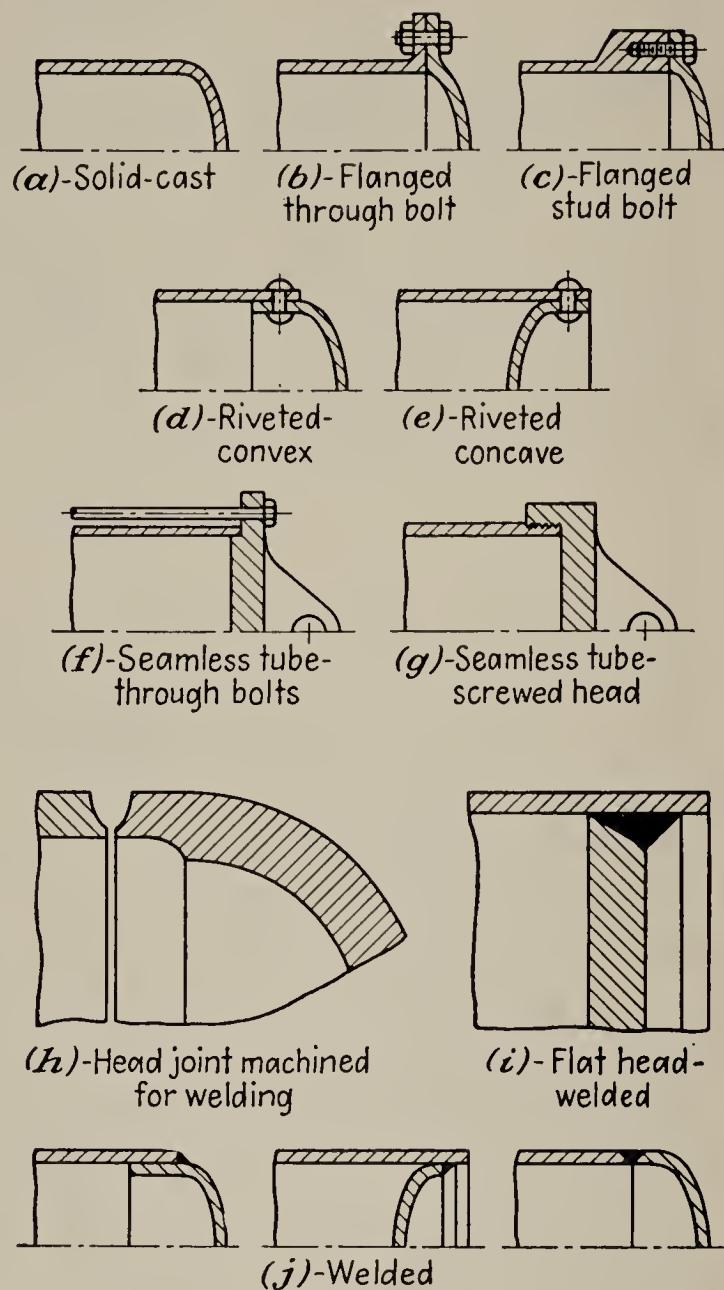


FIG. 11-4. Types of cylinder heads.

## CHAPTER 12

### TRANSLATION SCREWS

**12-1 Introduction.** Translation screws are used to move machine parts against resisting forces, for instance, in a screw-operated tensile-testing machine, jack, press, or lead screw of a lathe. The usual source of power is a rotating shaft or crank. The design of a translation screw requires considerations of strength of the screw in tension or compression, shearing of the screw itself or of the threads, wearing of the threads, and

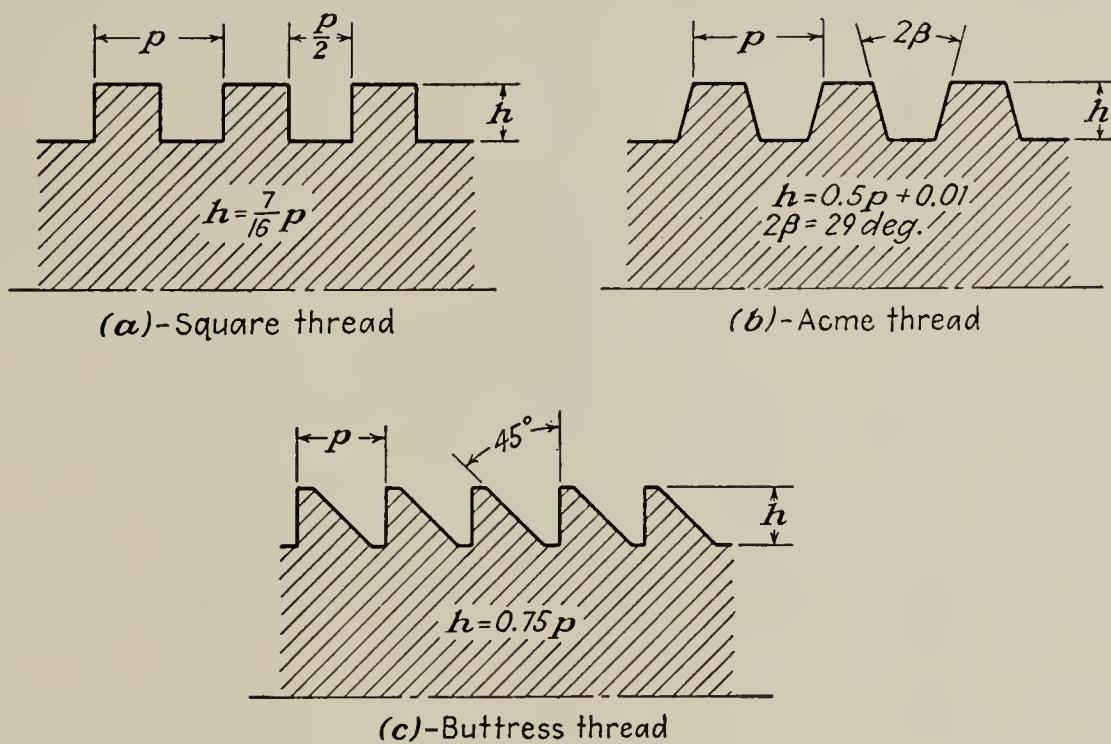


FIG. 12-1. Forms of translation screw threads.

power requirements. The latter consideration involves frictional resistance, which may account for a large proportion of the power supplied to the screw.

In most translation screws, the nut has axial motion against the resisting axial force while the screw rotates in its bearings. In some screws, however, the screw rotates and moves axially against the resisting force while the nut is stationary, and in others the nut rotates while the screw moves axially with no rotation.

**12-2 Forms of threads.** *Square threads.* This thread has the proportions shown in Fig. 12-1(a). The square thread is more efficient than angular types, such as V or acme threads; but it is more difficult to cut,

and it is not so adaptable to a split nut, and also it has no means of adjustment for wear. A common proportion of square-threaded screws is the Sellers square thread, as given in Table 12-1.

TABLE 12-1. SELLERS' SQUARE THREADS

Diameter, in.	Threads per in.	Root area, sq in.
$\frac{1}{4}$	10	0.0207
$\frac{5}{16}$	9	0.0375
$\frac{3}{8}$	8	0.0555
$\frac{7}{16}$	7	0.0767
$\frac{1}{2}$	$6\frac{1}{2}$	0.1049
$\frac{9}{16}$	6	0.1364
$\frac{5}{8}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	0.1709
$1\frac{1}{16}$	5	0.2063
$\frac{3}{4}$	5	0.2597
$1\frac{3}{16}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	0.3000
$\frac{7}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	0.3638
$1\frac{5}{16}$	4	0.4058
1	4	0.4804
$1\frac{1}{8}$	$3\frac{1}{2}$	0.6013
$1\frac{1}{4}$	$3\frac{1}{2}$	0.7854
$1\frac{3}{8}$	3	0.9201
$1\frac{1}{2}$	3	1.1462
$1\frac{5}{8}$	$2\frac{3}{4}$	1.3414
$1\frac{3}{4}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	1.5394
$1\frac{7}{8}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	1.8265
2	$2\frac{1}{4}$	2.0422
$2\frac{1}{4}$	$2\frac{1}{4}$	2.7245
$2\frac{1}{2}$	2	3.3410
$2\frac{3}{4}$	2	4.2000
3	$1\frac{3}{4}$	4.9087
$3\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$	5.9396
$3\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{5}{8}$	6.8930
$3\frac{3}{4}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	7.8853
4	$1\frac{1}{2}$	8.8434

*Acme thread.* This thread, which is a form of the V or angular thread, has the proportions shown in Fig. 12-1(b) and is used where a split nut is required and where provision must be made to take up wear as in the lead screw of a lathe. Wear may be taken up by means of an adjustable split nut. Proportions of the acme thread are given in Table 12-2. The efficiency of the acme thread is slightly less than that of a square thread.

*Buttress thread.* This thread has the form shown in Fig. 12-1(c) and is used for translation under load in one direction only. This thread combines the higher efficiency of the square thread and the ease of cutting and the adaptability to a split nut of the acme thread; furthermore it is stronger than other forms because of the greater thickness at the base of

the thread. While this thread has limited use for power transmission,<sup>1</sup> it is used in some cases as a screw fastening.

TABLE 12-2. ACME SCREW THREADS

Threads per in.	Depth of thread, in.	Thickness at root, in.
1	0.5100	0.6345
1½	0.3850	0.4772
2	0.2600	0.3199
3	0.1767	0.2150
4	0.1350	0.1625
5	0.1100	0.1311
6	0.0933	0.1101
7	0.0814	0.0951
8	0.0725	0.0839
9	0.0655	0.0751
10	0.0600	0.0681

*Multiple threads.* Translation screw with multiple threads, such as double, triple, etc., are employed when it is desired to secure a large lead with fine threads or high efficiency. An application is found in high-speed actuators.

**12-3 Efficiency of screws. Square threads.** Consider that the nut of a screw is moved against an axial load by the rotation of the screw. The load on the nut will be transferred to the screw as a distributed load on the surface of the threads in contact. For the purpose of analysis, this distributed load may be assumed to be concentrated at a point on the mean circumference of the thread, as at  $o$  in Fig. 12-2. The following notation will be used:

Let  $Q$  = axial load, lb

$d$  = diameter of mean helix, in.

$\alpha$  = lead angle

$\phi$  = friction angle

$2\beta$  = included thread angle [see Fig. 12-1(b)]

$f$  = coefficient of thread friction =  $\tan \phi$

$L$  = lead of threads, in.

$T$  = torque required to overcome thread friction and to move the load, lb-in.

$T_o$  = torque required to move the load neglecting friction, lb-in.

$e$  = efficiency of screw

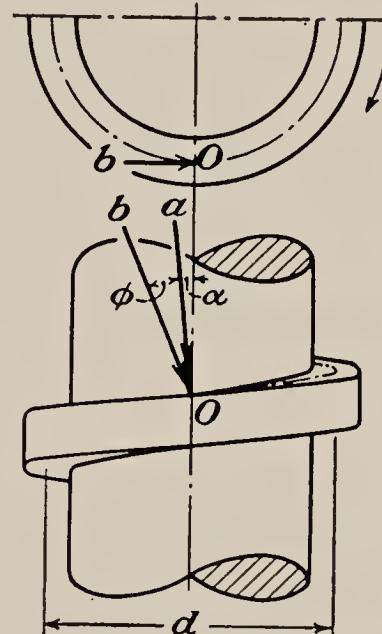


FIG. 12-2. Forces on square-threaded screws.

<sup>1</sup> G. H. Atwood, A New Type Screw-luffing Crane for Shipbuilding, *Mech. Eng.*, September, 1944, p. 569.

Under static conditions, the direction of the load on the thread will be normal to the thread surface, as along  $ao$  in Fig. 12-2. When the screw rotates so that the nut is moved *against* its external load  $Q$ , the line of action of  $ao$  will be rotated through the angle of friction  $\phi$  to  $bo$ , as shown in the figure.

For equilibrium of forces, the component of  $bo$  parallel to the axis of the screw is

$$Q = bo \cos (\alpha + \phi)$$

The component of  $bo$  at right angles to the axis of the screw is

$$F = bo \sin (\alpha + \phi)$$

Hence

$$F = Q \tan (\alpha + \phi)$$

and

$$T = F \frac{d}{2} = \frac{Qd}{2} \tan (\alpha + \phi) \quad (12-1)$$

$$= \frac{Qd}{2} \left( \frac{\pi f d + L}{\pi d - f L} \right) \quad (12-1a)$$

To obtain an expression for the efficiency of the screw, let  $T_o$  represent the torque required to raise the load, assuming that friction is not present. Thus from Eq. (12-1)

$$T_o = \frac{Qd}{2} \tan \alpha$$

and the efficiency

$$e = \frac{T_o}{T} = \frac{\tan \alpha}{\tan (\alpha + \phi)} = \frac{QL}{2\pi T} \quad (12-2)$$

*Angular, or V, thread.* Since the normal loads on the thread of an angular, or V, type is oblique to the axial load, the normal load will be greater than that for a square thread. Hence, the frictional force will be correspondingly greater, and the friction terms in Eqs. (12-1) and (12-2) should be divided by  $\cos \beta$ , or

$$T = \frac{Qd}{2} \left( \frac{\pi f d \sec \beta + L}{\pi d - f L \sec \beta} \right) \quad (12-3)$$

and

$$e = \frac{\tan \alpha [1 - (f \sec \beta \tan \alpha)]}{\tan \alpha + (f \sec \beta)} \quad (12-4)$$

*Reverse motion.* If the rotation of the screw moves the nut in the *same* direction as the load, as in the case of a screw jack in lowering the load,

the vector  $bo$  in Fig. 12-2 will make an angle with the axis of the screw that is equal to  $\alpha - \phi$ . The equations for the torque and efficiency as derived for direct motion will be altered. The torque required to lower a load for a square-threaded screw becomes

$$T = -\frac{Qd}{2} \tan(\alpha - \phi) = \frac{Qd}{2} \left( \frac{\pi fd - L}{\pi d + fL} \right)$$

It may be noted from the above equation that if  $\phi < \alpha$ , the torque  $T$  required to lower the load is negative, *i.e.*, an effort must be applied to the screw to resist the tendency of the load to descend.

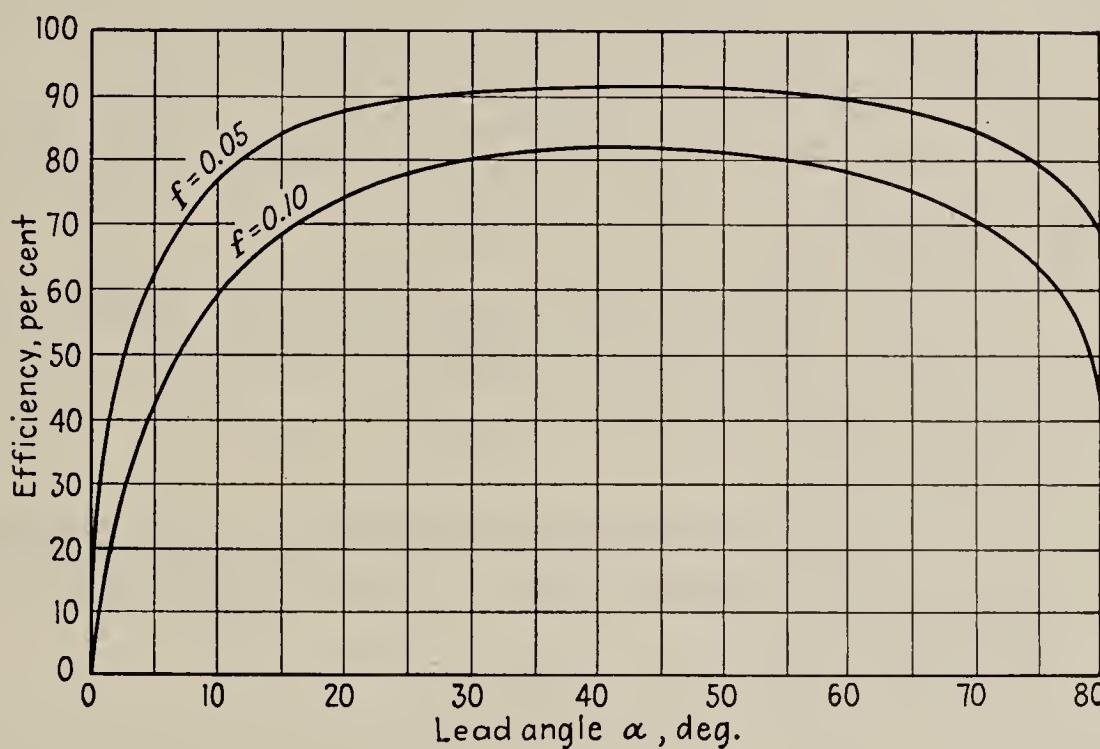


FIG. 12-3. Efficiency of screws.

If, however,  $\phi > \alpha$ , the torque  $T$  will be positive, indicating that an effort must be applied to lower the load. Such a screw is known as a "self-locking" screw.

*Efficiency versus lead angle.* It is evident that the efficiency of a square-threaded screw depends on the lead angle  $\alpha$  and the friction angle  $\phi$ . Figure 12-3 shows the variation of the efficiency of a square-threaded screw for direct motion (raising the load) with the mean lead angle  $\alpha$ .

It may be noted that the efficiency reaches a maximum value for  $\alpha$  that is equal to 45 deg approximately.

A qualitative explanation of the increase in efficiency to a maximum value followed by a decrease as  $\alpha$  increases may be made by considering that the work of thread friction is equal to the frictional force along the thread multiplied by the distance through which this force acts. For a low angle, the slope of the thread is small, and the distance through which the friction force acts is great compared with the lead of the thread.

Hence, the work of thread friction will be great as compared with the useful work, and a low efficiency will result.

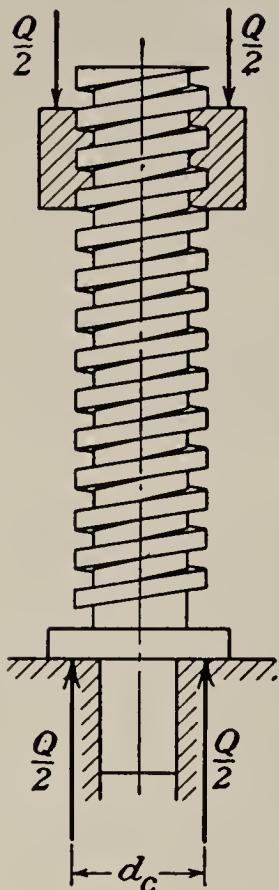


FIG. 12-4. Axial forces on a screw.

For a large lead angle, say 70 deg, the normal thread force becomes large and likewise the force of friction and the work of friction become large as compared with the useful work. Between the two extremes that have been discussed there is a value of lead angle that yields a minimum value of work of friction as compared with the useful work, and hence a maximum efficiency also.

It should be remembered, however, that if the screw is required to be self-locking, a low lead angle is necessary in order to introduce intentionally a frictional force that is sufficient to prevent reverse motion.

**12-4 Collar friction.** The axial force produced on a screw by the nut must be resisted by a collar or its equivalent. This action and reaction is illustrated in Fig. 12-4.

To determine the total torque required to turn the screw, the frictional torque of the collar must be added to the screw-thread torque, as given by Eq. (12-1) or Eq. (12-3).

The frictional torque of the collar may be determined by assuming that the frictional force on the collar acts at its mean diameter. Therefore

$$T_c = \frac{fQd_c}{2} \quad (12-5)$$

where  $T_c$  = torque of collar friction, in.-lb

$Q$  = axial load on the screw, lb

$f$  = coefficient of collar friction

$d_c$  = mean diameter of the collar, in.

The efficiency of a screw including both thread friction and collar friction may be obtained by dividing the torque required to move the load, neglecting friction, by the torque required to move the load including thread and collar friction.

**12-5 Coefficient of friction.** Values for the coefficient of friction for the threads of translation screws have been determined by investigations<sup>1</sup> and have been found to depend on the quality of materials, workmanship in cutting the threads, degree of "running-in" of the threads, and lubrication. The value of the coefficient of friction does not vary markedly with different combinations of material, load, or rubbing speed, except under starting conditions.

<sup>1</sup> Ham and Ryan, An Experimental Investigation of Thread Friction of Screw Threads, *Univ. Illinois Bull.* 247, 1932.

1. For high-grade materials and workmanship and for well run-in and lubricated threads, the coefficient of friction may be taken as 0.10.
2. For average quality material, workmanship, and conditions of operation, the coefficient of friction may be taken as 0.125.
3. For poor-quality material and workmanship and for newly machined surfaces which are indifferently lubricated and which have slow motion, the coefficient of friction may be taken as 0.15.
4. The coefficient of friction for starting conditions may be taken as  $1\frac{1}{3}$  times the value for running conditions.
5. The coefficient of collar friction may be taken as the same as for thread friction.

**EXAMPLE 12-1.** A 10-ton screw jack with a maximum extension of 4 in., is to have double square threads. (a) Using an allowable compressive stress of 5,000 psi, determine the size of screw, size of collar, and length of nut required. (The allowable compressive stress in the screw is a low value in order to give a screw which will accommodate a well-proportioned thread.) (b) Determine the torque required to raise the load and also the efficiency of the jack.

**SOLUTION:**

(a) Dimensions of screw, collar, and nut: The root area of the screw equals

$$\frac{Q}{s_c} = \frac{20,000}{5,000} = 4 \text{ in.}^2$$

From Table 12-1, a  $2\frac{3}{4}$ -in. screw with 2 threads per inch is satisfactory. The pitch of the threads is  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. and the lead (double thread) is 1 in.

The outside diameter of the collar is usually larger than the outside diameter of the screw to give a reasonable bearing pressure on the collar. Assuming an outer diameter for the collar equal to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in. with a pilot pin 1 in. in diameter, the collar bearing pressure is

$$p_c = \frac{4Q}{\pi(d_o^2 - d_i^2)} = \frac{4 \times 20,000}{\pi(3.5^2 - 1^2)} = 2,270 \text{ psi}$$

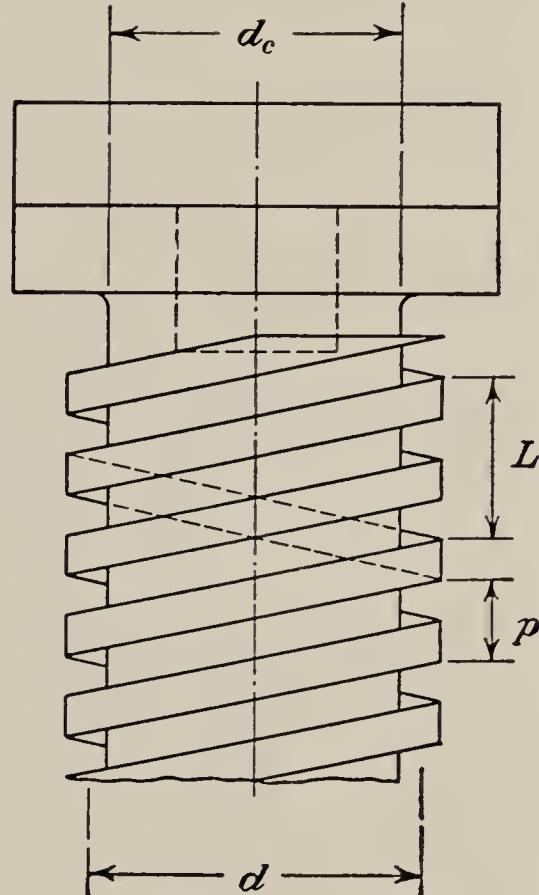
This value is in the safe range as compared with values in Table 12-3 for screw threads. If trouble due to galling is expected, a thin bronze washer may be interposed between the rubbing parts of the collar.

The length of the nut may be determined from the number of threads required to limit the bearing pressure on the threads to a permissible value.

The area of one thread is equal to

$$\pi dh = \pi \times 2.5 \times 0.25 = 1.97 \text{ in.}^2$$

where  $h$  is the depth of the thread.



Screw and collar for jack.

Using an allowable thread bearing pressure  $p = 2,500$  psi, the number of threads required is

$$\frac{20,000}{2,500 \times 1.97} = 4.06 \text{ threads}$$

Since there are 2 threads per inch, the length of the nut in inches is one-half of 4.06. On the basis of bearing pressure, a 2-in. nut would be satisfactory, but for stability of the screw it is practice to use its length at least equal to the diameter of the thread. Three inches would be a reasonable length for the nut.

(b) Torque to raise the load and the efficiency of the jack: The mean diameter of the thread may be found from the figure for the outside diameter of  $2\frac{3}{4}$  in. and pitch of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. Considering the thread as square in section,  $d = 2\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = 2\frac{1}{2}$  in.

The torque to raise the load and to overcome thread friction, using a coefficient of friction  $f = 0.125$  from Art. 12-5, is

$$T = \frac{Qd}{2} \left( \frac{\pi fd + L}{\pi d - fL} \right) = \frac{20,000 \times 2.5}{2} \left( \frac{\pi \times 0.125 \times 2.5 + 1}{\pi \times 2.5 - 0.125 \times 1} \right) = 6,400 \text{ in.-lb}$$

The torque for the collar is

$$T_c = \frac{fQd_c}{2} = \frac{0.125 \times 20,000 \times 2.25}{2} = 2,810 \text{ in.-lb}$$

The total torque is

$$6,400 + 2,810 = 9,210 \text{ in.-lb}$$

The efficiency of the screw and collar is

$$\frac{QL}{2\pi T} = \frac{20,000 \times 1}{2\pi \times 9,210} = 0.35, \text{ or } 35 \text{ per cent}$$

**12-6 Stresses in screws.** *Tensile or compressive stresses* in the body of a screw due to the axial load may be determined by dividing the axial load by the minimum cross-sectional area of the screw, unless the screw is long and slender and subjected to a compressive load in which case column formulas must be used.

*The torsional stress* in the screw owing to the torsional moment required to rotate the screw may be determined by considering the minimum cross section of the screw.

*Shearing stress and bearing pressure* are generally determined by assuming that the loads are uniformly distributed on the threads in contact.

Let  $Q$  = axial load on screw lb (see Fig. 12-5)

$d_o$  = major diameter of threads, in.

$d_r$  = minor diameter of threads, in.

$t$  = width of thread, in.

$n$  = number of threads in engagement

$s_s$  = shearing stress, psi

$s_b$  = bearing pressure, psi

The shearing stresses for the threads of the screw and of the nut are, respectively, equal to

$$s_s \text{ (screw)} = \frac{Q}{n\pi d_r t}$$

$$s_s \text{ (nut)} = \frac{Q}{n\pi d_o t}$$

The bearing pressure on the threads is equal to

$$s_b = \frac{4Q}{n\pi(d_o^2 - d_r^2)}$$

The bearing pressure is limited by lubrication conditions. In Table 12-3 are given some limiting values of bearing pressures.

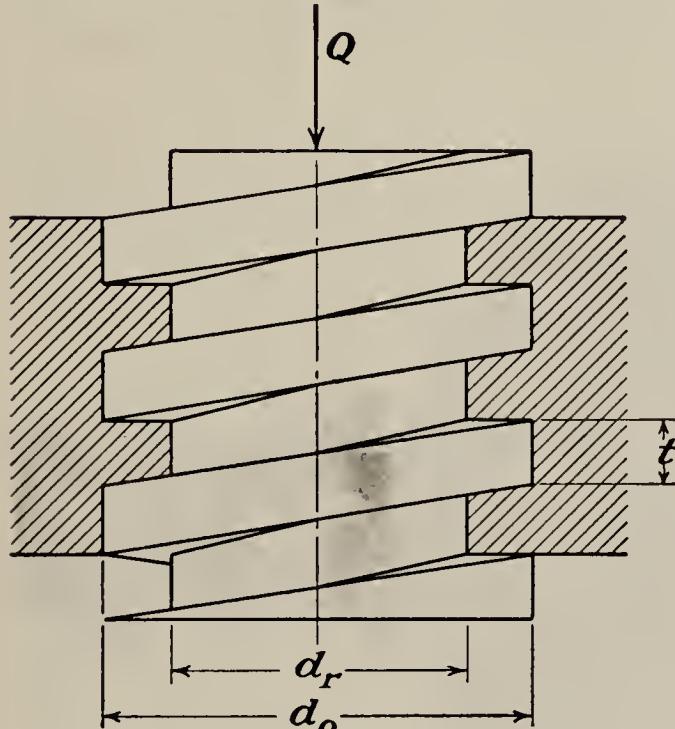


FIG. 12-5. Screw-thread dimensions.

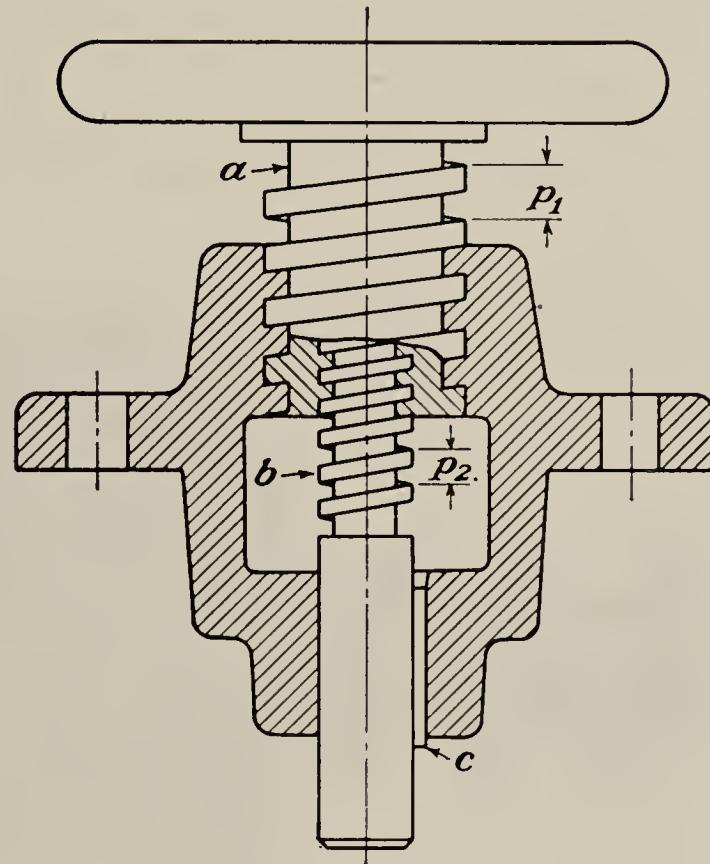


FIG. 12-6. Differential screw.

**12-7 Other types of screws.** *Differential screws.* When slow advance or fine adjustment is necessary and it is not advisable to use fine threads, a differential screw may be used. As shown in Fig. 12-6, this screw is composed of two component screws, one screw *a* is keyed to the handwheel and has threads of pitch  $p_1$ . The other screw *b* is threaded into the first one but is prevented from rotating by the feather key *c*. The threads on this screw have a pitch  $p_2$ , which is smaller than  $p_1$ .

If the handwheel is turned right-handed one turn, the screw *a* will move downward in the frame a distance  $p_1$ . As *a* rotates, the screw *b* will be screwed upward into *a* and will move relative to *a* a distance  $p_2$ .

Thus the total movement downward of  $b$  relative to the frame will be  $p_1 - p_2$ . It is apparent that if the two pitches  $p_2$  and  $p_1$  are equal, the screw  $b$  will not move; and if  $p_2$  is made less than  $p_1$ , as discussed above,

TABLE 12-3. SAFE BEARING PRESSURES FOR SCREWS

Type	Material		Safe bearing pressure, psi	Rutting speed
	Screw	Nut		
Hand press.....	Steel	Bronze	2,500-3,500	Low speed, well lubricated
Jackscrew.....	Steel	Cast iron	1,800-2,500	Low speed < 8 fpm
Jackscrew.....	Steel	Bronze	1,600-2,500	Low speed < 10 fpm
Hoisting screw.....	Steel	Cast iron	600-1,000	Medium speed 20-40 fpm
Hoisting screw.....	Steel	Bronze	800-1,400	Medium speed 20-40 fpm
Lead screw.....	Steel	Bronze	150-240	High speed > 50 fpm

the motion of  $b$  will equal their difference, which can be made as small as required.

If the hand of one of the threads is reversed, the motion of  $b$  will be equal to  $p_1 + p_2$ . This type of screw is known as a "compound screw."

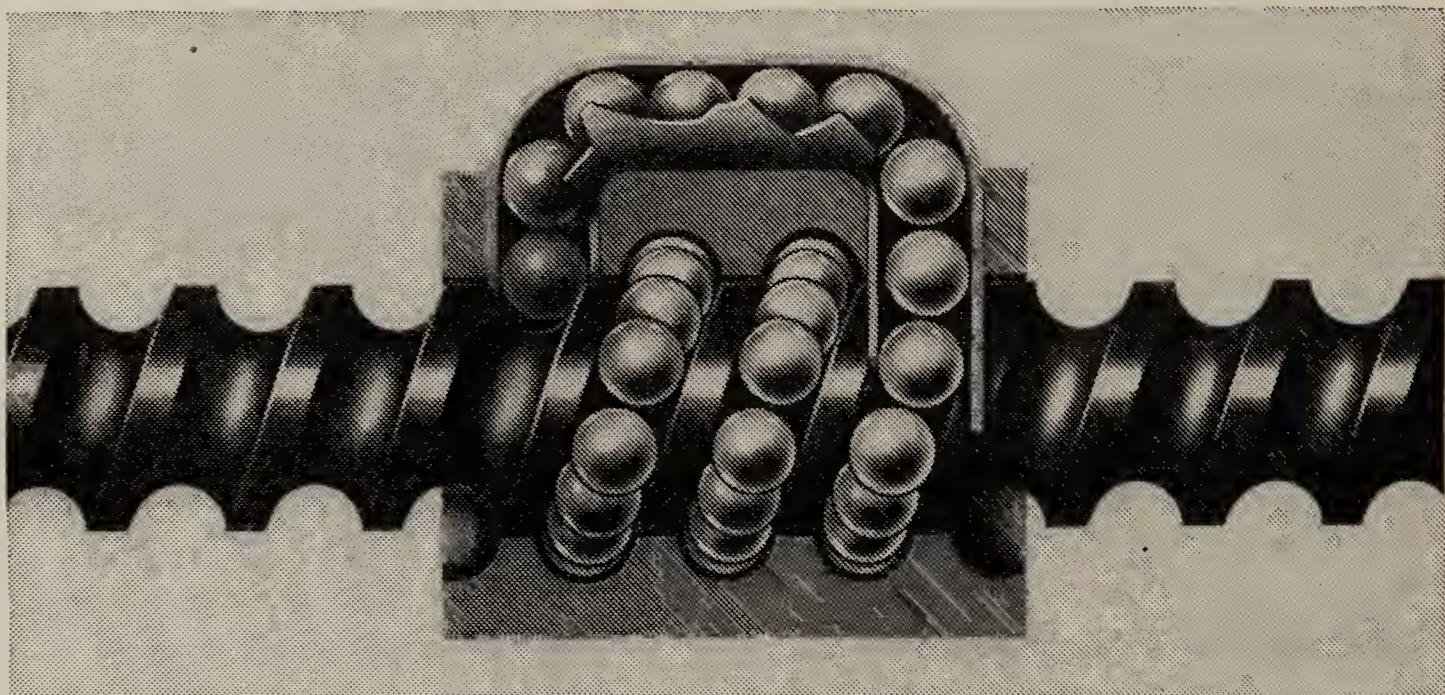


FIG. 12-7. Ball-bearing screw and nut. (Courtesy of Saginaw Steering Gear Division, General Motors Corporation.)

*Ball-bearing screw and nut.* A type of screw has been developed recently which interposes steel balls between properly formed threads on the screw and nut, and thus rolling friction is substituted for sliding friction.<sup>1</sup> In Fig. 12-7 is shown a ball-bearing screw and nut.

<sup>1</sup> R. K. Allan, "Rolling Bearings," p. 20, Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Ltd., London, 1945; Ball Bearing Screw and Nut, Saginaw Steering Gear Division, General Motors Corp., Saginaw, Mich.

The threads in both screw and nut are approximately semicircular in section. When the nut is translated as the screw rotates, the balls run out of the threads on the nut and are returned by a recirculating groove to the other end of the nut.

Efficiencies as high as 90 per cent are claimed for this screw with corresponding increase in life over conventional screws. Applications to date include steering gear for automotive vehicles<sup>1</sup> and power actuators.

<sup>1</sup> Francis W. Davis, Power Steering for Automotive Vehicles, *SAE Journal*, vol. 53, no. 4, p. 239, April, 1945.

## CHAPTER 13

# SHAFTING

**13-1 General considerations.** The design of a shaft may require the interrelated considerations of a number of factors, such as the following: material and heat-treatment; strength for power and loading requirements; stiffness as affecting, for instance, bearing performance, gear operation, timing and critical speeds; weight and space limitations; and stress concentration. Some general design methods that involve these considerations are discussed in the following articles.

**13-2 Terminology.** 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.

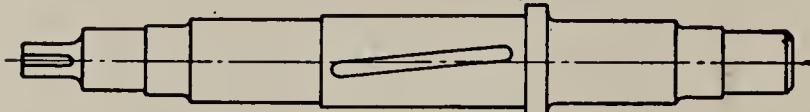


FIG. 13-1. Stepped shaft for induction motor.

Specifically a *shaft* is a member which rotates and which is subjected to torsion accompanied by transverse or axial loads; an *axle*, with few exceptions, is a member which is subjected to transverse loads but not torsion; a *spindle* is a short shaft.

Most shafts are not of uniform diameter, but are *stepped* to provide shoulders for locating gears, pulleys, bearings, or other attached or contacting parts. In Fig. 13-1 is shown a stepped shaft for a motor with shoulders for locating the rotor, ball bearings, gear, etc.

**13-3 Materials.** The most common material for shafting is mild steel. For high-strength requirements, an alloy steel, such as nickel, nickel-chromium, or chrome-vanadium steel, is used.

Commercial shafting is made of low-carbon steel similar to SAE 1015 formed by hot rolling and finished to size by cold drawing or by turning and grinding. Cold drawing produces a stronger shaft than hot rolling, but with higher residual stresses. The residual stresses may cause distortion of the shaft when it is machined, especially when slots or keyways are cut. Shafts for special purposes may be forged.

**13-4 Commercial sizes of shafting.** Formerly shafting was made of bars rolled to nominal dimensions of even quarter-inch intervals and then finished  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. under the nominal size. Sleeve bearings are available to accommodate shafts  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. under the nominal size. Shafting may be obtained in the following sizes. Dimensions are in inches.

TABLE 13-1. TRANSMISSION SHAFTING

Diameter	Increment
$1\frac{5}{16}-2\frac{7}{16}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
$2\frac{7}{16}-5\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{2}$

TABLE 13-2. MACHINERY SHAFTING

Diameter	Increment
$\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{16}$
$2\frac{1}{2}-4$	$\frac{1}{8}$
4-6	$\frac{1}{4}$

**13-5 Design considerations.** The size of a shaft for a particular application may be determined on the basis of strength, or both strength and rigidity.

In designing a shaft on the basis of *strength*, it is necessary to consider the following: type of loading, *i.e.*, static, shock, or cyclic; the weakening effects at points of stress concentration due to keyways and shoulders; the combination of loading, such as bending and torsion. The size of the shaft must be sufficient to prevent the induced stresses from exceeding the allowable stress for the material.

In many cases the *rigidity* of the shaft is an important design feature. The *twisting* of the shaft may be limited in order to provide accurate prescribed timing or motions, as in the camshaft of an internal-combustion engine. *Transverse deflections* may be limited, for instance, to maintain proper bearing clearances or gear-tooth alignment. Both torsional and transverse rigidity are important in vibration.

**13-6 Determination of shaft sizes on the basis of strength.** The action of the loads on a shaft is generally one of the following: (a) torsion, (b) bending, (c) torsion combined with bending, and (d) torsion combined with axial tension or compression.

*Torsion.* For a simple twisting moment  $T$  on a solid circular shaft of diameter  $d$ , the maximum shear stress is

$$s_s = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3} \quad (13-1)$$

By assuming that failure is based on the maximum-shear theory, the maximum shear stress must not exceed the allowable shear stress,  $s_{sa}$ . Then

$$\frac{\pi d^3}{16} = \frac{T}{s_{sa}} \quad (13-2)$$

*Bending.* For a simple bending moment  $M$  on a solid circular shaft of diameter  $d$ , the maximum bending stress is

$$s_t = \frac{32M}{\pi d^3} \quad (13-3)$$

By substituting the allowable tensile stress  $s_a$  for  $s_t$

$$\frac{\pi d^3}{32} = \frac{M}{s_a} \quad (13-4)$$

(See Appendix IV for values of section moduli for standard-size shafts.)

*Torsion combined with bending.* Most rotating shafts carry gears, pulleys, sprockets, or sheaves that cause bending of the shaft in addition to torsion. An effort should be made to mount the gears, pulleys, etc., as near to the bearings as possible in order to reduce the bending moment.

The design of shafting made of ductile material is based on the maximum shear-stress theory; hence it is necessary to determine the maximum combined shear stress in the shaft due to the applied twisting and bending moments. By using the combined stress equation,

$$s_s \text{ (max)} = \sqrt{s_s^2 + \frac{s_t^2}{4}}$$

and substituting the values of  $s_s$  and  $s_t$  from Eqs. (13-1) and (13-3) the maximum shearing stress becomes

$$s_s \text{ (max)} = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \sqrt{T^2 + M^2}$$

By limiting the maximum shear stress to the allowable shear stress for the material and solving for the section modulus,

$$\frac{\pi d^3}{16} = \frac{\sqrt{T^2 + M^2}}{s_{sa}} \quad (13-5)$$

The term  $\sqrt{T^2 + M^2}$  is called the *equivalent twisting moment* and is defined as the fictitious twisting moment that will induce the same maximum shearing stress in the shaft as the combined action of the actual twisting moment and the actual bending moment.

*Torsion combined with axial tension or compression.* Some shafts, such as propeller shafts, are subjected to torsion combined with direct axial loads. The shear stress due to torsion for a solid circular shaft is given by Eq. (13-1). The direct stress due to an axial load  $P$  is

$$s = \frac{4P}{\pi d^2}$$

These stresses may be combined by the use of the combined stress equation as

$$s_s \text{ (max)} = \frac{16}{\pi d^3} \sqrt{T^2 + \left(\frac{Pd}{8}\right)^2} \quad (13-6)$$

By substituting the allowable shear stress for  $s_s \text{ (max)}$ , the above equation may be solved by trial. If the axial load is a compressive load, it should not exceed the critical buckling load.

For shafts on which the torque and bending moment are cyclic, stress concentration should be considered. If the fatigue-notch factor for shear stress ( $K_{tsf}$ ) is applied to Eq. (13-1), and the combined factor for normal stress ( $K_{t'f}$ ) is applied to Eq. (13-3) and both substituted in Eq. (13-5), it becomes

$$\frac{\pi d^3}{16} = \frac{\sqrt{(K_{tsf}T)^2 + (K_{t'f}M)^2}}{s_{sa}} \quad (13-5a)$$

In the use of Eq. (13-5a), it should be realized that it is a design equation for *strength*. In the design of most shafts in machinery, however, *stiffness* of the shaft usually requires a larger shaft than strength. Since most shafts are not uniform in diameter, it is usually impossible to design them directly on the basis of stiffness. Hence, it is common practice to design such shafts on the basis of strength, using allowable stresses as determined from analyses of similar existing shafts which have performed satisfactorily in service. The allowable stresses so determined usually are low in value and the shafts are "overdesigned" for strength but have the required stiffness characteristics. Allowable stresses in shear equal to 5,000 to 8,000 psi are common in the design of such shafts.

An uncertainty in using Eq. (13-5a) is that available values for stress-concentration factors are determined separately for torsion and for bending and it is not usually known whether the factors so determined apply to combined stresses due to the simultaneous action of torsion and bending. However, if stiffness is not an important requirement, Eq. (13-5a) may be used with an allowable stress determined by dividing the endurance limit in shear by an appropriate value for the factor of safety.

In applications where stiffness is critical, it is usually satisfactory to use Eq. (13-5) with low allowable stresses to determine the size of shaft. After its dimensions are fixed, the deflection characteristics may be determined by the use of the graphical method in Appendix XIII.

The maximum stresses in the shaft at critical sections may be investigated by the use of the combined stress equation, Eq. (5-9), and if the stresses are too high, the material or its heat-treatment may be modified accordingly. A change in class of steel or its heat-treatment will not

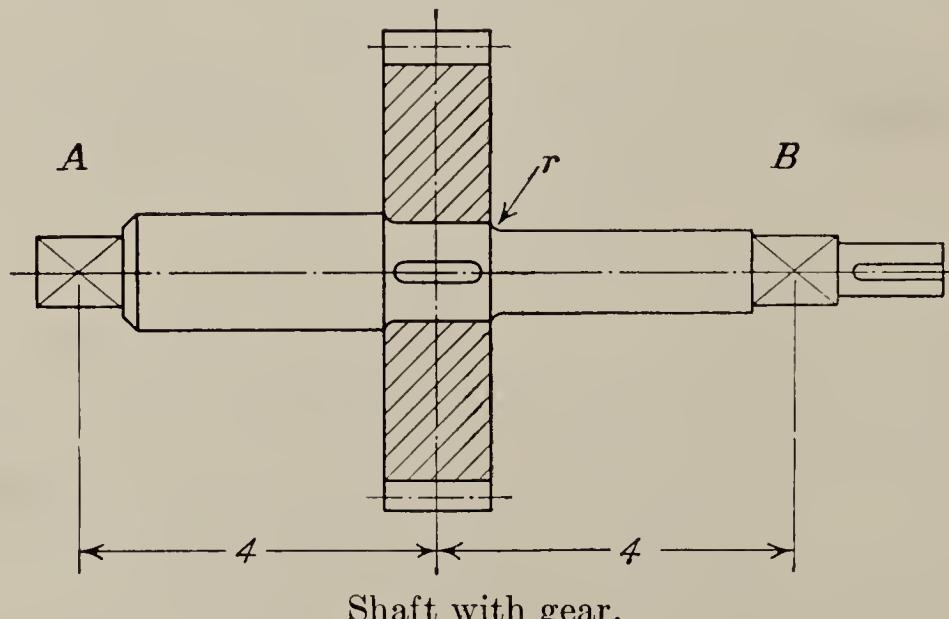
affect, however, the deflection characteristics of the shaft. This procedure is illustrated in Example 13-1.

**13-7 Allowable stresses.** The allowable stresses for the design of shafting should be chosen with consideration for the factors discussed in Chap. 5. Specifically, this bases the allowable stress on the yield point if the loading is static and on the endurance limit if the loading is cyclic.

In many cases of combined loading, one of the loadings may be static and the other repeated. An example of this is a rotating shaft on which are mounted gears transmitting uniform torque in which the bending stresses are completely reversed while the shearing stresses due to the torque may be essentially static. The true allowable stress in this instance should be based on an endurance limit determined from tests simulating the exact combination of stresses that exist in the shaft. Only rarely are such values available. To consider both of the loadings as completely reversed would be on the side of safety. Particular effort should be made to reduce stress concentrations to a minimum in shafting. This is especially necessary in shafts subjected to vibration, either self-induced or parasitic. Such vibration causes fatigue stresses which are superimposed upon those due to power loads.

Rough surfaces should be eliminated. Press and shrink-fit collars and hubs should be carefully considered and their effects minimized, as suggested in Chap. 4.

**EXAMPLE 13-1.** The shaft of a speed reducer is mounted on ball bearings *A* and *B*, as shown in the figure. The stub end of the shaft is fitted with a flexible coupling. The gear is 5 in. in diameter and 5 hp are transmitted at 120 rpm. Assuming an allowable stress  $s_{sa} = 6,000$  psi, determine the size of shaft required.



**SOLUTION:** An inspection of the sketch shows that the bending moment on the shaft is cyclic and has a maximum value at the mid-point of the gear. The torque on the shaft between that section and the stub end is equal to

$$T = \frac{63,030 \text{ hp}}{\text{rpm}} = \frac{63,030 \times 5}{120} = 2,620 \text{ lb-in.}$$

The tangential force on the gear is

$$F = \frac{2T}{D} = \frac{2 \times 2,620}{5} = 1,050 \text{ lb}$$

The bending moment at the center of the gear may be found equal to 2,100 lb-in. From Eq. (13-5),

$$\frac{\pi d^3}{16} = \frac{\sqrt{T^2 + M^2}}{s_{sa}} = \frac{\sqrt{2,620^2 + 2,100^2}}{6,000} = 0.559 \text{ in.}^3$$

From Appendix IV, the required shaft diameter is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. As an extension to the problem, assume that the diameter of the shaft at the right of the gear is  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in., and determine the maximum stress at the fillet ( $r = \frac{1}{8}$  in.).

Referring to Eq. (5-9), the bending moment is completely reversed so that  $M_m = 0$ , and the torsional moment is steady so that  $T_r = 0$ . Equation (5-9) then reduces to, solved for the allowable stress,

$$\frac{s_{sy}}{\text{f.s.}} = \frac{\sqrt{\left(K_t' M \frac{s_y}{s_e}\right)^2 + T^2}}{\pi d^3 / 16}$$

Assuming that the shaft is made of SAE 1020 steel,

$$\begin{aligned} s_{ult} &= 62,000 \text{ psi} && \text{(from Appendix V)} \\ s_y &= 35,000 \text{ psi} && \text{(from Appendix V)} \\ s_e &= 25,000 \text{ psi} && \text{(from Appendix VII)} \\ s_{ys} &= 0.71 \times 35,000 && \text{(from Table 7-2)} \\ &= 24,800 \text{ psi} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{s_y}{s_e} = \frac{35,000}{25,000} = 1.4$$

From Fig. X-14, using  $D/d = 1.2$ ,  $r/d = 0.10$ ,  $K_t'$  is found equal to 1.5.

By substituting the above values in the right-hand term of the equation above, the maximum induced stress is found to be equal to 13,350 psi. The left-hand term of the equation is the allowable stress and for an assumed value of the factor of safety (f.s.) equal to 1.5, is

$$\frac{s_{ys}}{\text{f.s.}} = \frac{24,800}{1.5} = 16,600 \text{ psi}$$

Hence, the maximum stress at the fillet is satisfactory. If it were larger than the allowable stress for the assumed material, the latter could be raised by assuming a steel of higher carbon content or an alloy steel with the appropriate heat-treatment. A change in material would not, however, affect the deflection characteristics of the shaft; hence the nominal diameter of the shaft,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., would remain unaltered.

**13-8 Determination of shaft sizes on the basis of rigidity.** In many machines the sizes of shafts are determined by the limits that are placed on their deflections. Two kinds of rigidity must be considered, *torsional* and *lateral*.

*Torsional rigidity.* The total angle of twist in radians for a circular shaft of uniform cross section is given by the equation

$$\theta_r = \frac{TL}{JG}$$

For a solid circular shaft of diameter  $d$ , this equation becomes

$$\theta = \frac{584LT}{Gd^4} \quad (13-7)$$

where  $\theta$  = angle of twist, deg

$L$  = length of shaft, in.

$T$  = torque on shaft, lb-in.

$G$  = torsional modulus of elasticity, psi

$d$  = shaft diameter, in.

The permissible amount of twist depends on the particular application. In drive shafts of machine tools, the twist should not exceed 0.08 deg per ft. In line shafts, 0.75 to 1.0 deg per ft may be used as limiting values.

*Lateral rigidity.* The diameter of shafts may be determined by permissible lateral deflections as required, for instance, to maintain proper bearing clearances or gear-teeth alignment. The deflections of a shaft of uniform section may be readily found by the use of the appropriate equation from mechanics of materials. If the shaft is of variable cross section, the deflections may be determined from the fundamental equation for the elastic curve of a beam, namely,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{M}{EI}$$

Two integrations of this equation will yield the deflection  $y$ . This integration process is not difficult if the moment of inertia of the shaft is uniform and if the distribution of the bending moment along the shaft can be expressed analytically. In most cases, however, neither of these conditions exist. However, a solution may be conveniently reached by use of graphical methods (see Appendix XIII).

**13-9 Code for design of transmission shafting.**<sup>1</sup> The code is based on the failure of ductile ferrous shafting according to the maximum-shear theory. The equation for the outside diameter  $d$  is

$$d = \sqrt[3]{\frac{16 \sqrt{[K_m M + \frac{1}{8} \alpha F d (1 + K^2)]^2 + K_t T)^2}}{\pi s_{sa} (1 - K^4)}} \quad (13-8)$$

<sup>1</sup> Code for the Design of Transmission Shafting, Engineering and Industrial Standards, ASME, 1927.

where  $s_{sa}$  = allowable shear stress, psi

$K_m$  = combined shock and endurance factor for bending

$K_t$  = combined shock and endurance factor for torsion

$K = d_i/d$  = ratio of internal to external diameters

$\alpha$  = column-action factor

$F$  = axial tension or compression, lb

TABLE 13-3

	$K_m$	$K_t$
Stationary shafts:		
Load gradually applied.....	1.0	1.0
Load suddenly applied.....	1.5-2.0	1.5-2.0
Rotating shafts:		
Load gradually applied.....	1.5	1.0
Load suddenly applied, minor shock..	1.5-2.0	1.0-1.5
Load suddenly applied, heavy shock..	2.0-3.0	1.5-3.0

This equation considers all the combined actions of loading and is simplified if some of the loads are absent. Hence, if  $F = 0$  and  $M = 0$ , the equation for a shaft in torsion is obtained.

The column-action factor  $\alpha$  is given as unity for a tensile load. For a compressive load the following applies:

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{1 - [0.0044(L/\rho)]} \quad \text{for } \frac{L}{\rho} < 115$$

$$\alpha = \frac{s_y}{\pi^2 n E} \left(\frac{L}{\rho}\right)^2 \quad \text{for } \frac{L}{\rho} > 115$$

where  $n = 1$  for hinged ends and  $n = 2.25$  for fixed ends. For ends that are partly restrained, as in bearings,  $n = 1.6$ .  $\rho$  is the radius of gyration.

The allowable shear stresses to be used with code for commercial-steel shafting are

$$s_{sa} = 8,000 \text{ psi for shafts without keyways}$$

$$s_{sa} = 6,000 \text{ psi for shafts with keyways}$$

**13-10 Vibration of shafts.** In many rotating shafts vibrations are set up that become troublesome or destructive at certain speeds. Frequently violent vibrations are caused by the centrifugal forces on the shaft because of unbalanced gears, pulleys, disks, or other rotating parts (see Chap. 24).

## CHAPTER 14

### BELT DRIVES AND HOISTS

**14-1 General considerations.** In the transmission of power from one shaft to a parallel one, the types of mechanical drives that may be used are flat-belt, V-belt, chain, or spur-gear drives. Some comparative features that should be considered in selecting the type of drive for a particular application are the following:

*Center distance.* Belts and chains are suitable for long center distances as compared with gears, which may be used for comparatively short center distances. V belts are generally short-center drives.

*Velocity ratio.* Because of the slip and creep of belt drives, the driven pulley will rotate at a speed less than that determined by the use of ratios of pulley diameters. This loss in speed may be compensated for by a small change in diameter of one of the pulleys. In chain drives the velocity ratio is not constant during one revolution of the smaller sprocket. In circular gear drives, the velocity ratio is always constant.

*Shifting.* Flat belts with relatively long center distances may be shifted by the use of tight and loose pulleys. Gears may be shifted when provided with feather keys, splines, or clutches.

*Maintenance.* The maintenance of belt drives usually amounts to periodic center-distance adjustment to compensate for stretch of the belt, and replacement of the belt when it is no longer serviceable. In chain drives, center-distance adjustment is necessary to compensate for wear of the chain but is generally required at infrequent intervals only. In chain and gear drives, lubrication is an important item in connection with maintenance.

*Cost.* In general, the comparative first cost of the drives under discussion is in the order of flat belts, V belts, roller chains, silent chains, and gears. In the positive drives, *i.e.*, chains and gears, the necessity for greater accuracy in shaft alignment and for provision for lubrication results in further increase in first cost.

**14-2 Materials.** In belt and rope drives, the materials used must be strong, flexible, and durable and must have a high coefficient of friction. The following materials are most commonly used for these drives:

*Leather.* Oak-tanned leather is a standard material for flat belts. Chrome leather may be used where a very pliable material is desired.

*Fabric and rubber belts.* Fabric, such as canvas or cotton duck usually impregnated with a filler, is a relatively cheap material and may be used for light power transmission. Such fabric may be vulcanized to form rubber belts for use where exposed to oil or sunlight.

*V belts.* V belts are made of fabric and cords moulded in rubber and are generally covered with fabric. As shown in Fig. 14-1, the section that carries the power load is located near the neutral axis of the section where the stresses owing to the bending of the belt around the pulley will not be large. The fabric near the upper surface carries the tension due to bending and the rubber portion at the bottom is compressed during bending. The belt is vulcanized to form a loop of the exact length required for the particular installation.

In a recent development, the load-carrying element is composed of small endless steel cables, which give high strength and low stretch.

*Rope.* Manila, hemp, and cotton ropes are used occasionally to transmit power. The continuous-rope, or the multiple-rope system may be used. The rope sizes vary from  $\frac{3}{4}$  to 2 in. in diameter.

*Material for pulleys.* Pulleys are generally made of cast iron, cast steel, or pressed steel. The cast materials have good friction and wear characteristics. Pulleys made of pressed steel are lighter than cast pulleys,

but in many instances have lower friction and may produce excessive belt wear.

**14-3 Angle of contact and length of belts.** The maximum power transmitted by a belt drive is limited either by stretching of the belt or by excessive belt slippage at the pulleys. Stretching may be controlled throughout

a reasonable belt life by the use of low allowable stresses in the belt. Since slippage of the belt would occur at the pulley having the smaller angle of contact, the smaller angle of contact should be used in the design of a belt drive.

In the open-belt drive shown in Fig. 14-2, the smaller angle of contact is at the smaller pulley. From the geometry of the figure it may be seen that

$$\theta = \pi - 2\alpha = \pi - \frac{D - d}{C} \quad \text{approximately} \quad (14-1)$$

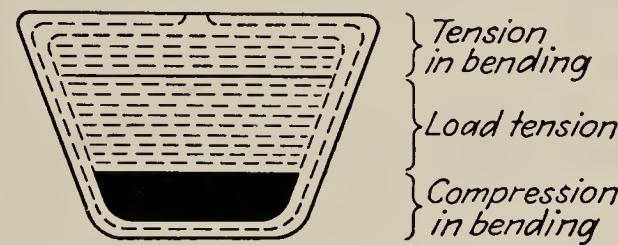


FIG. 14-1. Section of V belt.

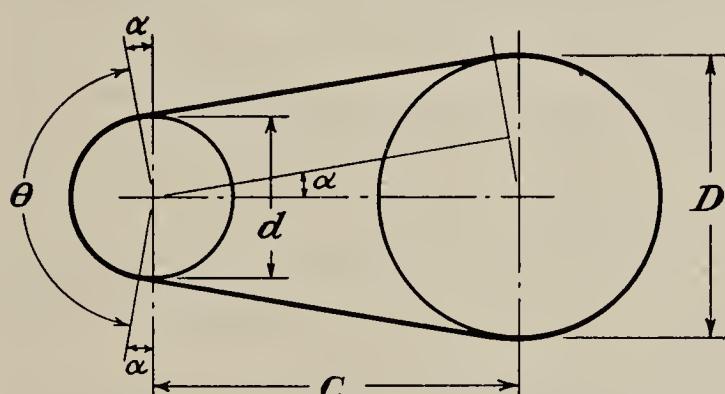


FIG. 14-2. Geometry of open-belt drive.

In a horizontal flat-belt drive, it is customary to use the top side of the belt as the slack side during the transmission of power.

The length of an open belt may be shown to be approximately equal to

$$\frac{\pi}{2} (D + d) + 2C + \frac{(D - d)^2}{4C} \quad (14-2)$$

For a *crossed belt*, the angle of contact is the same on both pulleys and, approximately, equal to

$$\theta = \pi + \frac{D + d}{C} \quad (14-3)$$

and the length of the crossed belt is, approximately,

$$\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \alpha\right) (D + d) + \sqrt{4C^2 - (D + d)^2} \quad (14-4)$$

**14-4 Flat-belt drives.** If the drive shown in Fig. 14-3 is stationary and the belt is tightened by adjusting the center distance, the tensions

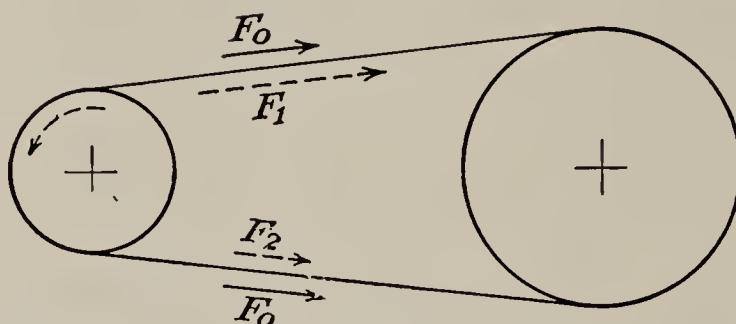


FIG. 14-3. Open-belt drive.

around the belt will be equal, as shown by the initial tension vector  $F_0$ . Now if the smaller pulley is assumed to rotate as a driving pulley in the direction shown to transmit power, the tension in the upper side will be increased and that in the lower side decreased, as shown by  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ . In a belt transmitting power, these tensions are known as the "tight tension"  $F_1$  and the "loose tension"  $F_2$ . Their difference ( $F_1 - F_2$ ) is the *net tension*, which may be determined from the horsepower being transmitted and the velocity of the belt.

The ratio of the belt tensions may be determined from the following analysis.

*Ratio of belt tensions.* The forces acting on a belt are shown in Fig. 14-4.

Let  $F_1$  = tight tension, lb

$F_2$  = loose tension, lb

$\theta$  = angle of contact, rad

$r$  = radius of pulley, in.

$f$  = coefficient of friction

$b$  = width of belt, in.

- $t$  = thickness of belt, in.  
 $w$  = weight of belt material, lb per cu in.  
 $v$  = belt speed, fps

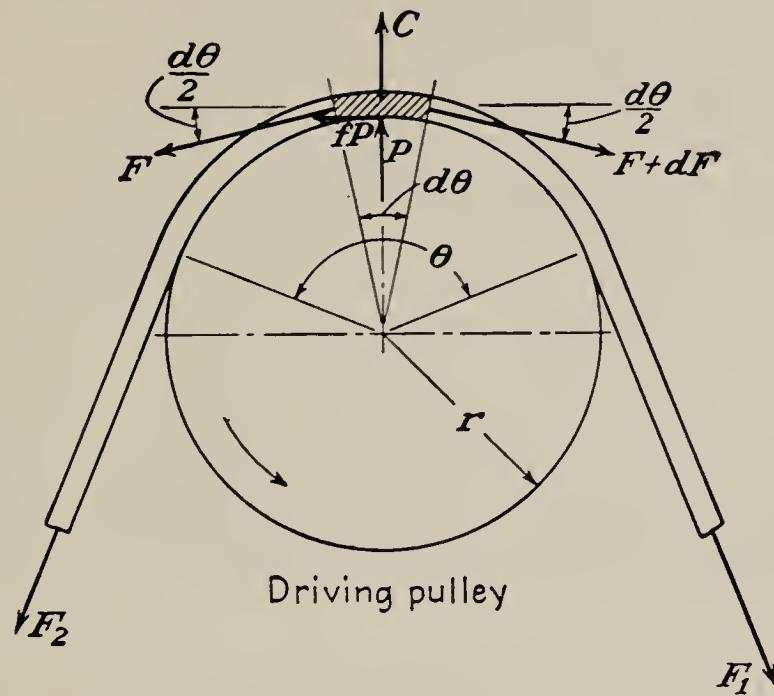


FIG. 14-4. Forces on element of belt.

The forces acting on an element of the belt shown crosslined in the sketch are as follows:

- Let  $F$  = force on left-hand end  
 $F + dF$  = force on right-hand end  
 $P$  = pulley force  
 $fP$  = frictional force  
 $C$  = centrifugal force

From the conditions of equilibrium,

$$\Sigma F_v = P + C - F \sin \frac{d\theta}{2} - (F + dF) \sin \frac{d\theta}{2} = 0$$

or

$$P + C - F d\theta = 0 \quad (a)$$

also

$$\Sigma F_h = F \cos \frac{d\theta}{2} - (F + dF) \cos \frac{d\theta}{2} + fP = 0$$

or

$$-dF + fP = 0 \quad (b)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} C &= \text{mass} \times \text{acceleration} \\ &= \frac{r d\theta}{g} \frac{btw}{r} \frac{12v^2}{r} = F_c d\theta \end{aligned} \quad (c)$$

where

$$F_c = \frac{12wbtv^2}{g}$$

By substituting  $C = F_c d\theta$  into Eq. (a), eliminating  $P$  between Eqs. (a) and (b), and assuming  $f$  as constant,

$$\int_{F_2}^{F_1} \frac{dF}{F - F_c} = f \int_0^\theta d\theta$$

Therefore

$$\log_e \frac{F_1 - F_c}{F_2 - F_c} = f\theta$$

or

$$\frac{F_1 - F_c}{F_2 - F_c} = e^{f\theta} \quad (14-5)$$

*Power transmitted.* For convenience in solving belt problems, the belt tensions may be expressed in terms of pounds per square inch of belt cross section. Equation (14-5) then becomes

$$\frac{f_1 - f_c}{f_2 - f_c} = e^{f\theta} \quad (14-6)$$

where  $f_1$  = maximum stress in the belt, psi

$f_2$  = minimum stress in the belt, psi

$$f_c = \frac{12wv^2}{g}$$

Solving Eq. (14-6) for  $(f_1 - f_2)$ , it becomes

$$(f_1 - f_2) = (f_1 - f_c) \frac{e^{f\theta} - 1}{e^{f\theta}}$$

The horsepower that may be transmitted per square inch of belt cross section is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hp per sq in.} &= \frac{(f_1 - f_2)v}{550} \\ &= \frac{v(f_1 - f_c)}{550} \frac{e^{f\theta} - 1}{e^{f\theta}} \end{aligned} \quad (14-7)$$

where  $f_1$  = allowable stress in the belt, psi

$$f_c = \frac{12wv^2}{g}$$

$w$  = weight of belt material, lb per cu in.

= 0.035 lb per cu in. for leather

$v$  = belt speed, fps

$g$  = acceleration of gravity = 32.2 fps<sup>2</sup>

$f$  = coefficient of friction

$\theta$  = angle of contact of belt with pulley, rad

The cross-sectional area of the belt required may be found by dividing the horsepower to be transmitted by the horsepower per square inch [Eq. (14-7)]. The width and thickness of belt may then be selected from Table 14-1.

TABLE 14-1. LEATHER-BELT DATA

Grade of belting	Thickness, in.				Increments of width, in.
	Single to 8 in.	Double to 12 in.	Triple to 24 in.	Quadruple	
Light.....	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{4}$			$\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 by $\frac{1}{8}$ 1 to 4 by $\frac{1}{4}$ 4 to 7 by $\frac{1}{2}$
Medium....	$\frac{5}{32}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{16}$	8 to 30 by 1 32 to 56 by 2
Heavy.....	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{9}{16}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	60 to 84 by 4

*Initial tension.* The relation between the initial tension  $F_0$  and the tensions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  depends on the stress-strain characteristics of the belt material. For leather, the stress is not a linear function of strain, and hence the relation between  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$ , and  $F_0$  is not a simple one. The following equation may be used to estimate the effect of initial tension on the power tensions:<sup>1</sup>

$$\sqrt{F_1} + \sqrt{F_2} = 2 \sqrt{F_0}$$

A suitable initial tension for leather belts is 200 to 225 psi.

**14-5 Leather-belt data.** Data applying to leather belts are given in Table 14-1. The ultimate strength of oak-tanned leather varies from 3,000 to 4,500 psi. In order to secure reasonable life of a belt, it is necessary to limit the maximum working stress to a value considerably lower than its ultimate strength. On this basis, the value of  $f_1$  in Eq. (14-7) should be limited to from one-tenth to one-eighth of the ultimate strength, say 400 psi for average conditions.

*Coefficient of friction.* The coefficient of friction  $f$  depends on the materials of the pulley and the belt, on the slip, and on the belt speed. For leather belts on dry cast-iron or wood pulleys a recommended value of the coefficient of friction is 0.40 to 0.50.

Belt velocities used in practice for maximum power and economy range from 5,000 to 6,000 fpm, but for longer belt life, 3,000 to 4,000 may be used. A considerably lower value may be required, however, on account of low shaft speeds and limited pulley sizes. At high speeds, the pulleys should be dynamically balanced.

Unless the belts are endless, some type of belt joint or fastener must be used. A cemented joint is practically as strong as the material joined.

<sup>1</sup> C. Barth, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 31, p. 29, 1909.

Wire or rawhide lacing decreases the strength of the belt, but if the means of joining the ends does not affect the stretching of the belt or considerably decrease its strength, the belt should operate satisfactorily if low allowable stresses are used in the design of the drive.

**14-6 V-belt drives.** *Grooves in V-belt sheaves.* On account of the wedging action of a V belt or rope in the groove of the sheave or pulley, the traction force (force transmitting power) is greater than in a flat belt running on a flat-face pulley. To ensure wedging action in the groove, the belt should make contact with the sides of the groove but not the

bottom. It is evident that the wedging action and the traction force is large for small groove angles (see Fig. 14-5); however, the force required to pull the belt out of the groove as it leaves the sheave is large for small groove angles, resulting in loss of power and excessive wear of the belt. The selected groove angle is there-

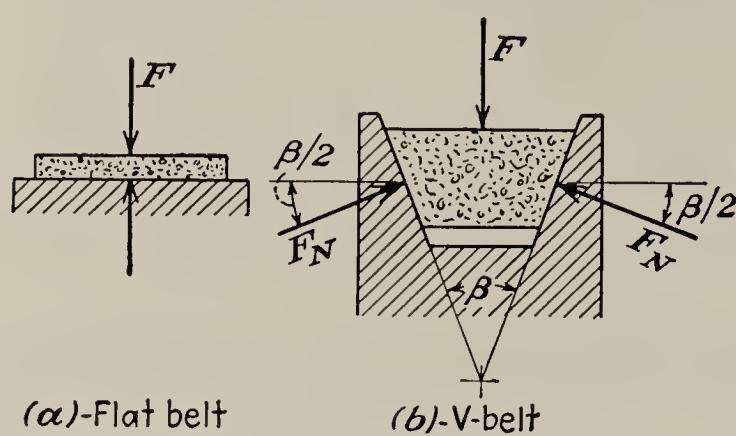


FIG. 14-5. Forces on flat and V belts.

fore a compromise to secure large traction force without unduly large force to pull the belt from the groove. The standard angle between the sides of V belts is 40 deg. The groove angle in the sheave is less than the belt angle to allow for change in shape of the belt cross section on wrapping around the sheave. Groove angles of 32 to 38 deg are used.

Standard sizes of belts for power transmission have been adopted and designated by sizes A, B, C, D, and E as indicated in Table 14-2. For low bending stresses as the belt wraps around the sheave, small belts are better for long belt life; however, a large number of small belts requires a wider sheave which increases the load overhang (distance from the belt force to the bearing) which in turn increases the shaft stresses and bearing loads, all of which raises the cost of the drive. Thus optimum design requires compromises in belt selection.

*V-belt sheaves.* The use of large-diameter sheaves and the corresponding high belt speeds decreases the load on the belts required to transmit the power, but the gain with high belt speeds is partly nullified by the increase in centrifugal forces due to the high speeds. Again a compromise must be reached. The accompanying tables will be helpful in selecting the most economical drive.

The sheaves may be made of cast iron, which has excellent friction characteristics on V belts, or of pressed steel, which is lighter and cheaper but may give rise to excessive belt slip, wear, and noise. Sheaves may be purchased with single or multiple grooves and are available also with variable pitch for speed control.

TABLE 14-2. SELECTION AND DIMENSIONS OF V BELTS

Normal horsepower	Motor speed, rpm			
	1,800	1,200	900	720 and below
½ to 1½	A	A	A	A
2 to 5	A or B	A or B	A or B	A or B
10	A or B	B	B	B or C
15	B	B or C	B or C	C
20	B or C	C	C	C
25 to 30	C	C	C	C
40	C	C or D	C or D	D
50 to 60	C or D	C or D	C or D	D
75	C or D	C or D	C or D	D or E
100	C	D	D	D or E
125	.....	D	D	D or E
150 to 200	.....	D	D	E
250	.....	E	E	E
300 and over	.....	.....	E	E

Section	A	B	C	D	E
Width, in.	½	2 1/3 2	7/8	1 1/4	1 1/2
Thickness, in.	5/16	1 3/3 2	1 7/3 2	3/4	2 9/3 2

*Types of drives.* In Fig. 14-6 are shown common arrangements of V-belt drives. A disadvantage of the vertical drive at (b) is vibration of the slack side of the belt under load, which may cause vibration of the equipment and decrease belt life. In the V-flat drive at (c), the small sheave is grooved but the V-belt runs on the flat ungrooved rim of the large sheave or flywheel. This drive avoids grooving of the flywheel and is used where the speed ratio is large and the center distance relatively short. Slipping of the belt on the larger sheave is usually not troublesome since the angle of contact is large.

In Fig. 14-6(d) is shown a "double-V" drive used to permit

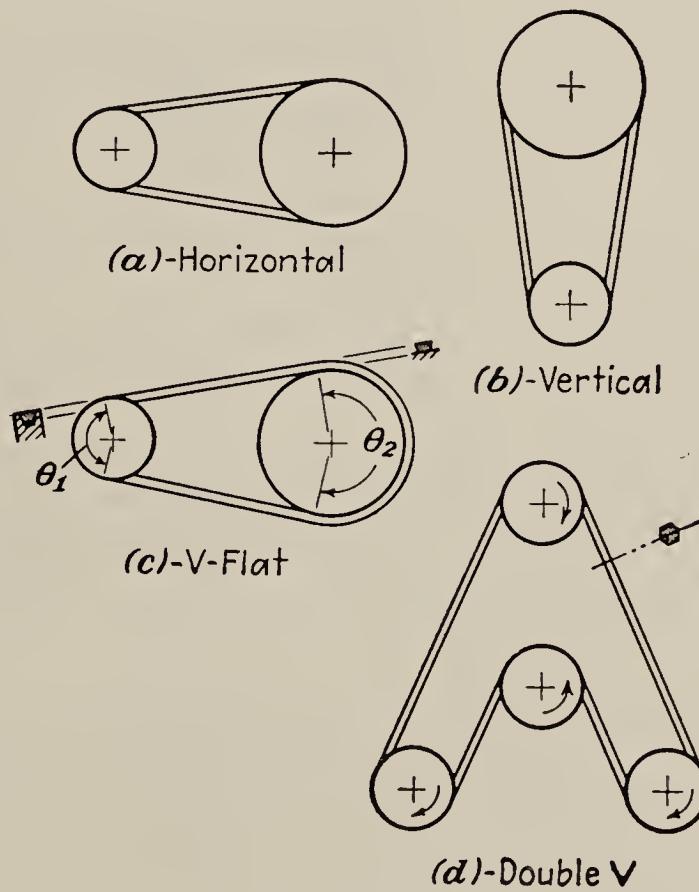


FIG. 14-6. V-belt drives.

rotation of sheaves in opposite directions. The belt has short life due to high bending stresses, since the belt is double thickness, and to reversed flexure.

*Selection of V belts.* The *belt section* may be selected from Table 14-2, using the rated horsepower of the drive.

The *design horsepower* used in determining the number of belts is the rated horsepower multiplied by the service factor from Table 14-3. The service factor takes into account the severity of load transmitted which depends on the characteristics of the driving and driven units. When shock and peak loads are light, use the lower values from the table; for severe loads, use the higher values.

Where space permits, it is good practice to use a size of *driving sheave* to give belt speeds in the range of 3,500 to 4,500 fpm. Table 14-4 may be used to select a recommended size of driving sheave, and Table 14-5 for available stock sheaves. In these tables, the diameter given is the

TABLE 14-3. V-BELT SERVICE FACTORS

Agitators, paddle propellers.....	1.0-1.2
Bakery machinery.....	1.0-1.2
Flour, feed, and cereal mills.....	1.0-1.4
Machine tools.....	1.0-1.4
Conveyors.....	1.0-1.5
Generators and excitors.....	1.2
Laundry machines.....	1.2
Paper machinery.....	1.2
Printing machinery.....	1.2
Compressors.....	1.2-1.4
Screens.....	1.2-1.4
Brick and clay machinery.....	1.2-1.6
Oil-field machinery.....	1.2-1.6
Textile machinery.....	1.2-1.8
Fans and blowers.....	1.2-2.0
Pumps.....	1.2-2.0
Crushing machinery.....	1.4-1.6
Mills.....	1.4-1.6
Line shafts.....	1.4-2.0
Rubber plant machinery.....	1.4-2.0

TABLE 14-4. RECOMMENDED SIZE DRIVING SHEAVE

Section	Minimum pitch diameter, in.	Recommended range of small pitch diameters, in.
A	3.0	3.0- 5.0
B	5.4	5.4- 7.4
C	9.0	9.0-13.0
D	13.0	13.0-17.0
E	21.0	21.0-28.0

pitch diameter of the belt in the groove. The AB section is a composite sheave for either A or B section belts. The diameter given is for the A section; for B section, the pitch diameter should be increased by 0.4 in.

The horsepower ratings of single strand of V belts may be determined from Eqs. (14-8).

TABLE 14-5. STOCK SHEAVE SIZES

AB section*	B section			C section			D section	
	2 to 10 grooves pitch diameter			3 to 10 grooves pitch diameter			5 to 12 grooves pitch diameter	
1 to 6 grooves pitch diameter	5.4	7.0	16.0	8.5	10.0	20.0	13.0	18.0
3.0 5.0 9.0	5.6	7.4	18.4	9.0	10.2	24.0	13.4	22.0
3.2 5.2 10.6	5.8	8.6	20.0	9.2	10.6	30.0	13.8	27.0
3.4 5.4 12.0	6.0	9.4	25.0	9.4	11.0	36.0	14.2	33.0
3.6 5.6 15.0	6.2	11.0	30.0	9.6	13.0	44.0	14.6	40.0
3.8 5.8 18.0	6.4	12.4	38.0	9.8	16.0	50.0	15.0	48.0
4.0 6.0 19.6	6.6	13.6		.....			15.4	
4.2 6.2 24.6	6.8	15.4						
4.4 6.4 29.6								
4.6 7.0 37.6								
4.8 8.2								

\* Composite sheave for A or B section. Diameters shown are for A section. For B section, add 0.4 in.

Belt Section	Horsepower Rating per Strand
A	$hp = V \left( \frac{1.95}{V^{0.09}} - \frac{3.80}{kd} - 0.0136V^2 \right)$ (14-8a)
B	$hp = V \left( \frac{3.43}{V^{0.09}} - \frac{9.83}{kd} - 0.0234V^2 \right)$ (14-8b)
C	$hp = V \left( \frac{6.37}{V^{0.09}} - \frac{27.0}{kd} - 0.0416V^2 \right)$ (14-8c)
D	$hp = V \left( \frac{13.6}{V^{0.09}} - \frac{93.9}{kd} - 0.0848V^2 \right)$ (14-8d)
E	$hp = V \left( \frac{19.9}{V^{0.09}} - \frac{178}{kd} - 0.122V^2 \right)$ (14-8e)

where  $hp$  = maximum horsepower recommended for one strand of belt of standard quality (multiply by arc-of-contact factor and length-of-belt factor from Fig. 14-7 to obtain corrected horsepower)

$V$  = belt speed, thousands of feet per minute

$k$  = small-diameter factor for speed ratio of drive (Fig. 14-7)

$d$  = pitch diameter of small sheave, in. (the maximum values of  $kd$  for belt sections are as follows: *A*, 5 in.; *B*, 7 in.; *C*, 12 in.; *D*, 17 in.; *E*, 28 in.)

In the above equations the first term in the bracket depends on the strength of the belt, the second term is an allowance for bending stress as the belt passes over the sheave, and the third term is an allowance for centrifugal force. In the bending-stress term, the diameter factor  $k$  (see Fig. 14-7) allows for the smaller bending stress as the belt passes over the driven sheave if it is larger than the driving sheave. If the

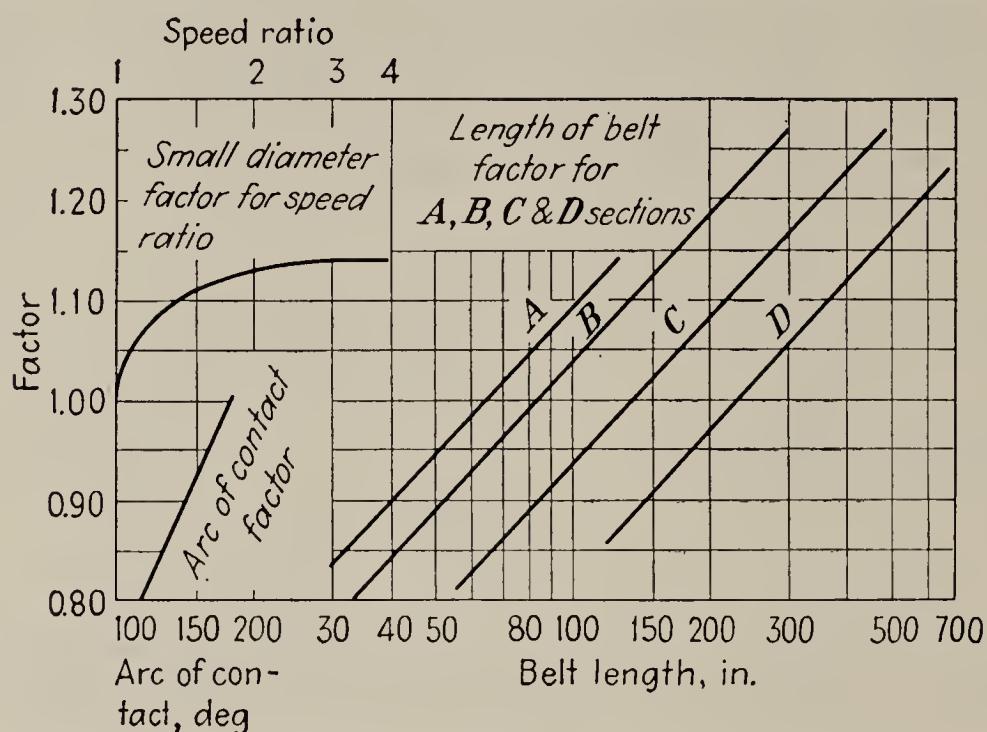


FIG. 14-7. Factors for horsepower ratings of V belts.

speed ratio is 1:1,  $k$  is unity, but as the speed ratio increases, the driven sheave becomes larger and the diameter factor increases.

The power transmitted may be limited by slipping of the belt on the small sheave. This is taken into account by the arc-of-contact factor given in Fig. 14-7 in terms of the arc of contact of the belt on the smaller sheave. The factor is unity for 180-deg contact and decreases with the arc of contact.

A final factor is necessary to allow for the effect of length of belt on the frequency of bending. Length-of-belt correction factors are given in Fig. 14-7.

The horsepower rating from Eq. (14-8) is corrected by multiplying by the small-diameter factor, the arc-of-contact factor, and the belt-length factor. The corrected rating (horsepower per belt) is then divided into the design horsepower to obtain the number of belts required.

If the number of belts is excessive, a larger belt section and/or increased sheave diameters may be considered. A moderate number of belts is

desirable so that if one belt breaks or stretches excessively, the remaining belts may carry the load until replacement of the belts can be made. In replacing the belts, a complete set of new belts should be used rather than replacing a single damaged belt, since a new (unstretched) belt would carry more than its share of the load and would have a short life.

In V-belt drives, if assembly or replacement requires means for disconnecting the belt, a metal coupler may be used, or belts made up of removable, laminated leather V-belt sections may be used. In the latter case, tension may be adjusted by adding or removing sections. An application requiring such a belt is a belt-driven generator or compressor mounted under the bed of a passenger railway car and driven by a sheave on the car axle.

**EXAMPLE 14-1.** Select a V-belt drive for a 10-hp 1,160-rpm induction motor to drive a ventilating fan at approximately 400 rpm. The minimum center distance between the sheaves is 40 in.

**SOLUTION:** From Table 14-2, a B-section belt is recommended.

From Table 14-3, assume the service factor is 1.4.

The design horsepower is  $1.4 \times 10 = 14$ .

Sheave selection: From Table 14-4, the recommended range of size for the small sheave is 5.2 to 7.4 with 5.4 as a minimum. From Table 14-5, assume 7.0 in. as a trial pitch diameter.

The belt speed is

$$\frac{\pi d \text{ rpm}}{12} = \frac{\pi \times 7.0 \times 1,160}{12} = 2,120 \text{ fpm}$$

The diameter of the large sheave is

$$\frac{1,160}{400} \times 7.0 = 20.3 \text{ in.} \quad \text{Use 20 in.}$$

The speed of the fan will then be 406 rpm.

The speed ratio is approximately 3:1, which gives the small-diameter factor  $k$ , from Fig. 14-7, equal to 1.13. Thus  $kd = 1.13 \times 7.0 = 7.91$  in. Since the maximum value of  $kd$  is 7 in., this value will be used in Eq. (14-8b).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hp per belt} &= V \left[ \frac{3.43}{V^{0.09}} - \frac{9.83}{kd} - 0.0234V^2 \right] \\ &= 2.120 \left[ \frac{3.43}{2.120^{0.09}} - \frac{9.83}{7} - 0.0234 \times (2.120)^2 \right] \\ &= 2.120(3.2 - 1.4 - 0.10) = 3.61 \end{aligned}$$

The arc of contact, from Eq. (14-1), is

$$\pi - \frac{D - d}{C} = \pi - \frac{20 - 7}{40} = 2.81 \text{ radians, or } 161 \text{ deg}$$

From Fig. 14-7, the arc-of-contact factor is 0.95.

The belt length is, from Eq. (14-2),

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \frac{\pi}{2} (D + d) + 2C + \frac{(D - d)^2}{4C} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} (20 + 7) + 2 \times 40 + \frac{(20 - 7)^2}{4 \times 40} \\ &= 42.4 + 80 + 0.1 = 122.5 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

(A standard belt length should be selected from manufacturer's data.)

From Fig. 14-7, the belt-length factor is 1.07.

The corrected rating of one belt is

$$3.61 \times 0.95 \times 1.07 = 3.67 \text{ hp}$$

The number of belts required is

$$\frac{14}{3.67} = 3.82 \quad \text{Use 4 belts}$$

Thus, four B-section V belts with sheaves 7.0 and 20 in. in diameter would be specified.

**14-7 Tooth-belt drive.** The sheaves have axial grooves which engage teeth on the belt, as shown in Fig. 14-8. The belt employs a number of small steel cables which carry tension under load, thus permitting a light drive and high speeds. The drive is positive, and the tension to transmit the power does not depend on initial tension. Sheave diameters may be as small as  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. to as large as required, and belt speeds of the order of 15,000 fpm are practical. Applications include business machines, sewing machines, timing drives, portable woodworking equipment, and power-transmission units. Besides being positive, the drive is compact, light, quiet, versatile, and low in maintenance. However, it is more sensitive to misalignment than flat belts or V-belt drives. The first cost is higher on light-duty belt drives but may be more economical on large drives.

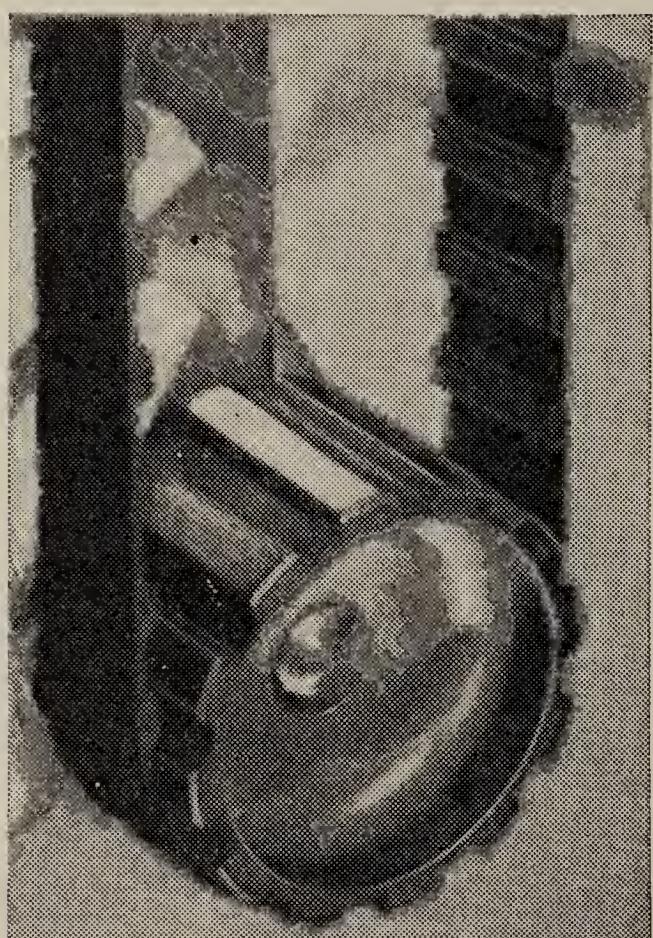


FIG. 14-8. Timing belt drive. (Courtesy of United States Rubber Company.)

**14-8 Pivoted motor mountings.** When a belt transmitting power passes over its sheaves, the tension in the belt varies from the maximum value  $F_1$  to the minimum value  $F_2$ , and it is the difference in tensions

$F_1 - F_2$  which accounts for the power transmitted. At full power  $F_1$  is large and  $F_2$  small as compared with the values at partial power. It is evident that the initial tension in the belt must exceed the minimum value of  $F_2$  in order to hold the belt against the sheaves. When the drive is at rest, the initial tension must remain in the belt in order to be available for full power requirements; thus, in time, stretching of the belt will shorten its life.

Pivoted motor drives were developed to reduce the initial tension to a minimum and to provide automatically for increasing tension as required by the power being transmitted. Thus when the drive is idle or working

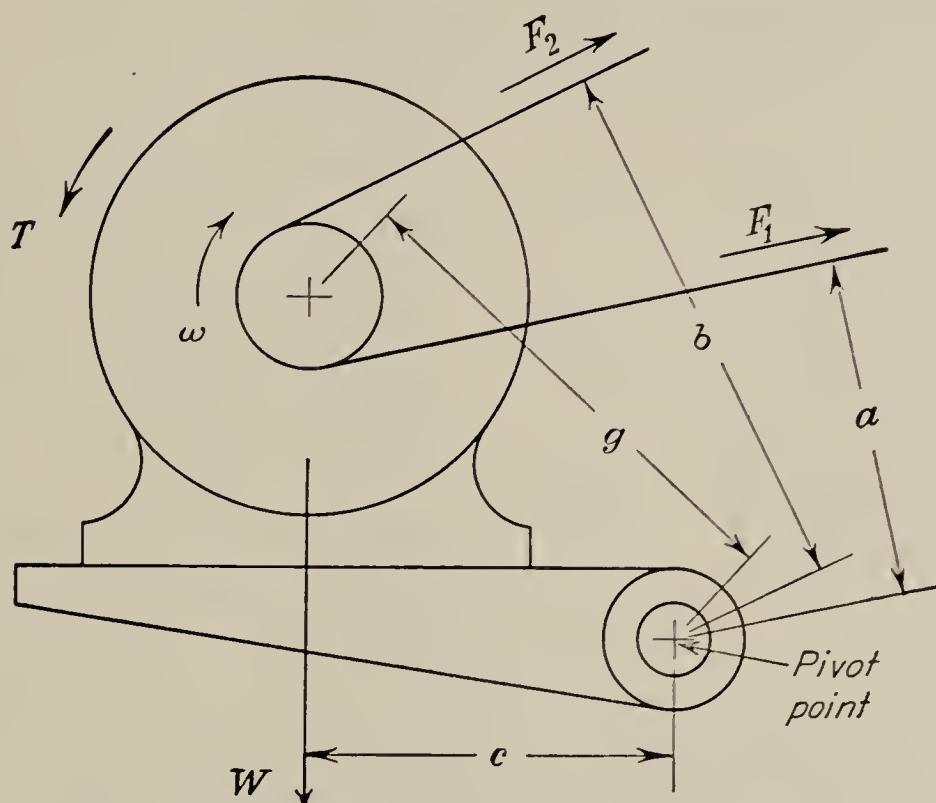


FIG. 14-9. Rockwood-type drive.

at partial load, the belt tensions are comparatively lower than in the fixed-center type of drive and belt life is correspondingly increased.

In Fig. 14-9, the motor pulley is rotating clockwise. The belt tensions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  tend to overturn the motor in a clockwise direction about the base pivot point. Neglecting centrifugal tension, the overturning moment is  $F_1a + F_2b$ . The moment which resists the overturning moment is produced in part by the weight of the motor acting at the lever arm  $c$ , that is,  $Wc$ , and in part by the reaction torque  $T$  on the frame of the motor which is counterclockwise and equal to the torque on the rotor. Thus

$$F_1a + F_2b = Wc + T \quad (14-9)$$

The effect of the reaction torque  $T$  is to rotate the motor counterclockwise about the pivot point and thus to increase the belt tensions. If the value for the torque  $T$  is divided by the distance from the pivot point to the center of the motor, that is, the lever arm  $g$  in the figure, the result

will be a force acting at the center of the motor which in turn is carried by the belt. This action performs the same function as initial belt tension, but is induced only as needed by the torque on the motor in transmitting power. The force acting at the center of the motor will depend on the lever arm  $g$ ; the smaller the lever arm, the greater will be the force, and vice versa.

Two types of pivoted motor mountings are in use. In one, the Rockwood-type drive shown in Fig. 14-9, the distance  $c$  and the distance  $g$  are both large, so that most of the belt tension is due to the product of  $W$  and  $c$  and that due to the torque reaction is small. The lever arm  $c$  may be altered by shifting the motor along the pivoted support to provide belt tensions as required for the maximum power to be transmitted.

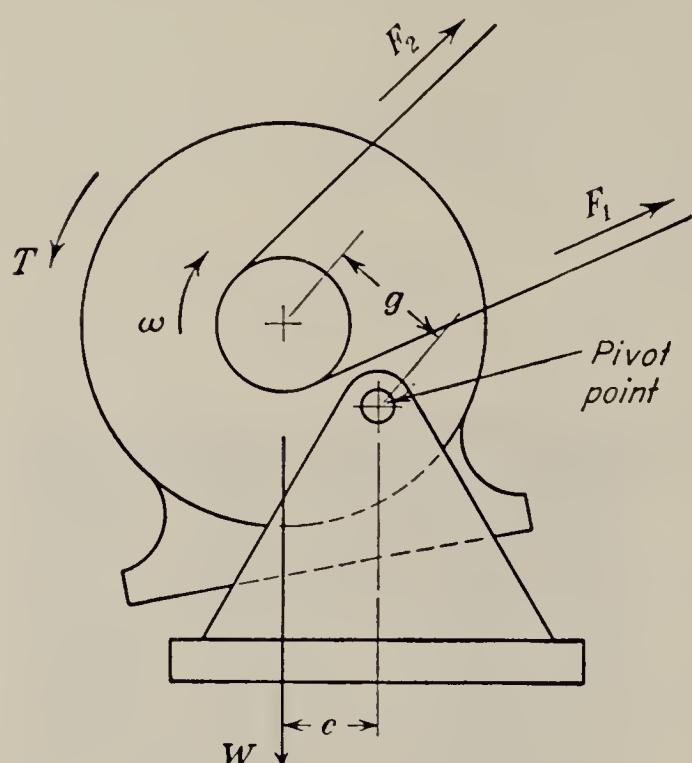


FIG. 14-10. American drive.

motor will swing about the pivot point shown in the figure. In this drive, belt tensions are built up as required by the load. When the drive is idle or is operating at partial load, the tensions will be low; hence, belt life will be increased. However, if the drive should be overloaded, the belt tensions will be increased accordingly and the belt may be broken or the bearings may be damaged.

**14-9 Arrangements of hoisting tackle.** A simple hoisting tackle is shown in Fig. 14-11(a), in which a rope passes over a *sheave* so that a load  $Q$  may be raised by a downward effort  $P$ . To reduce the effort, an arrangement of pulley blocks may be used as shown at (b), in which the lower, or hook, block and the upper block each has two sheaves. To avoid confusion in representing such a hoist, a *developed diagram* (c) may be used. The hoist at (c) is known as a "four-part" line hoist, since four lines of rope lead to the hook block.

When this power is exceeded, the belt will slip on the sheave, which will prevent overloading the motor but may damage the belt.

In the second type of pivoted motor mounting, the American drive shown in Fig. 14-10, the distances  $c$  and  $g$  are small so that the belt tensions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are produced mainly by the reaction torque  $T$ . This torque varies with the power transmitted so that there is never more tension in the belt than the load requires. In order to locate the pivot point near the center of the motor, the motor is mounted in a cradle so that the

It is evident that the more lines leading to the hook block, the less will be the effort  $P$  required to raise a load  $Q$ , but that more rope must be reeled off at  $P$  to raise the load a given distance.

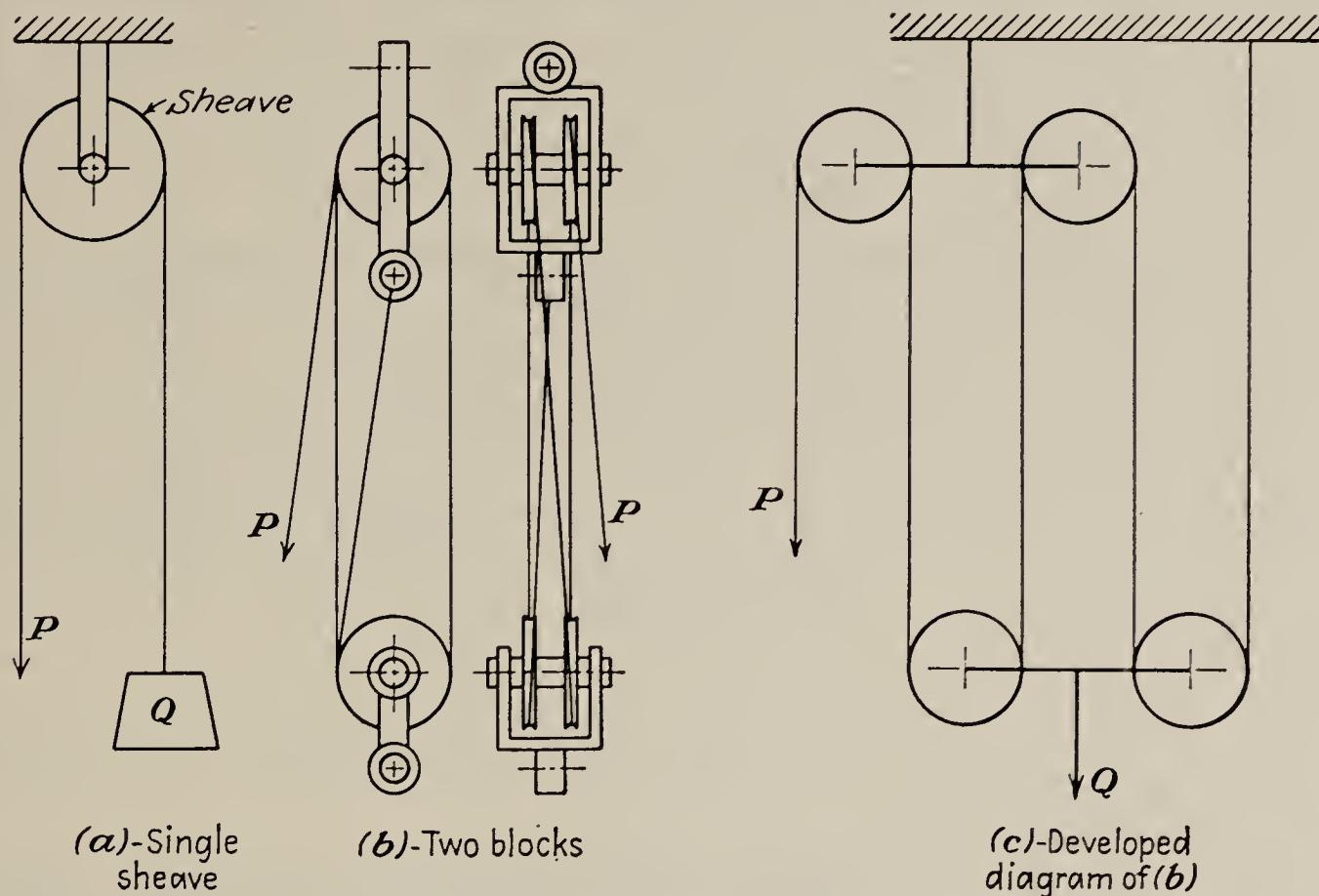


FIG. 14-11. Hoisting tackle.

**14-10 Ratio of rope tensions.** When a rope passes over a stationary sheave, as in Fig. 14-12(a), the loads  $P$  and  $Q$  will be equal. Note that the moment of the effort about the sheave center is  $PD/2$  and is equal to  $QD/2$ .

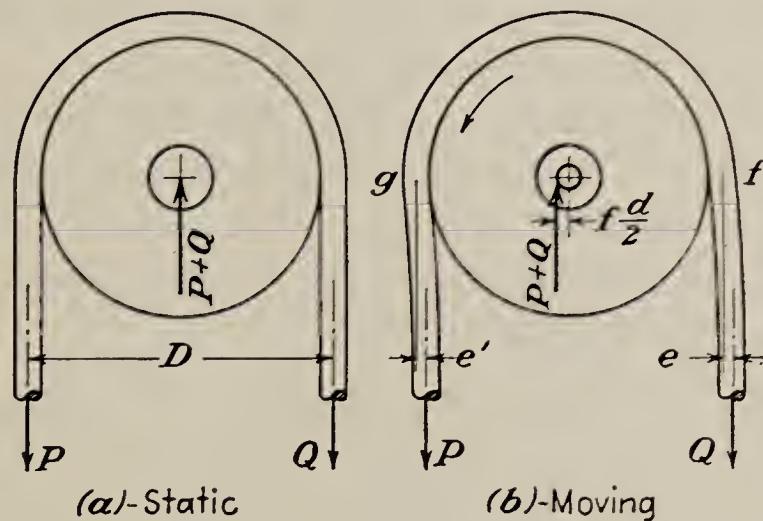


FIG. 14-12. Rope passing over sheave.

If it is desired to raise  $Q$ , it is common experience that it is necessary to apply an effort  $P$  which is greater than  $Q$ . The increase in  $P$  is due to several causes, as indicated at (b) in the figure. When the rope runs onto the sheave at  $f$ , the resistance of the rope to bending will shift its

center line a distance  $e$  to the right of the vertical tangent, as shown in the figure. The moment  $Qe$  is that required to bend the rope. As the rope assumes the curve of the sheave in passing from  $f$  to  $g$ , the wires or fibers of the rope shift on one another and adjust themselves, so that when the rope arrives at  $g$  it will be naturally curved and must be straightened as it leaves the sheave. This shifts the rope to the right a distance  $e'$ , as shown in the figure. Thus the lever arm of the resistance  $Q$  has been increased and that of  $P$  has been decreased.

In Fig. 14-12(a), the support ( $P + Q$ ) provided by the sheave pin was drawn through the center of the pin; but when the sheave rotates, as in (b), the load ( $P + Q$ ) will be displaced a distance  $fd/2$ , as shown where  $f$  is the coefficient of bearing friction and  $d$  is the diameter of the pin, i.e.,  $fd/2$  is the radius of the "friction circle."<sup>1</sup> Moments may now be taken about the line of action of ( $P + Q$ ), for instance, and the following equation obtained for the relation between the effort  $P$  and the resistance  $Q$ :

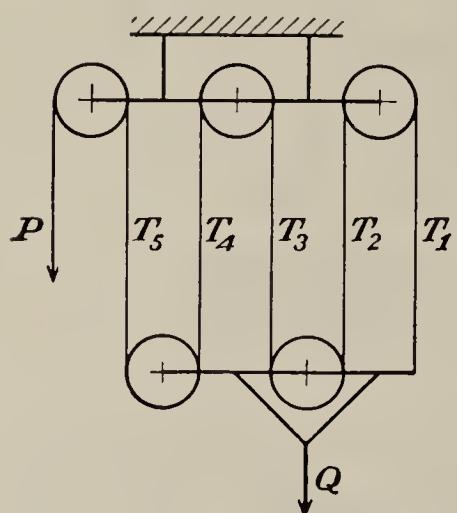


FIG. 14-13. Loads on a hoist.

where  $C$  has a value greater than unity. Values of  $C$  depend on the size of rope, on the relative size of sheave and pin, and on the coefficient of friction, and have been determined experimentally. For manila rope, an average value for  $C$  of 1.14 may be used; for wire rope, see Table 14-9.

If the angle of wrap is different from 180 deg, the values of  $C$  as given may be used without introducing appreciable error.

**14-11 Loads and efficiency.** As an example of determining the loads on the various ropes of a hoist and its efficiency, the arrangement shown in Fig. 14-13 will be used.

*Raising the load.* Label the ropes  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ , etc., to represent their tensions. From the analysis in Art. 14-10

$$\begin{aligned}P &= CT_5 = C^5T_1 \\T_5 &= CT_4 = C^4T_1 \\T_4 &= CT_3 = C^3T_1 \\T_3 &= CT_2 = C^2T_1 \\T_2 &= CT_1\end{aligned}$$

<sup>1</sup> C. D. Albert, "Machine Design Drawing Room Problems," p. 411, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1951.

From the equilibrium of forces on the lower block

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= T_1 + T_2 + T_3 + T_4 + T_5 \\ &= T_1(1 + C + C^2 + C^3 + C^4) = T_1 \frac{C^5 - 1}{C - 1} = P \frac{C^5 - 1}{C^5(C - 1)} \end{aligned}$$

or

$$P = \frac{C^5(C - 1)}{C^5 - 1} Q \quad . \quad (14-11)$$

Without friction,  $P_0 = Q/5$ . Hence, the efficiency of the hoist is

$$\frac{P_0 \times \text{unit distance}}{P \times \text{unit distance}} = \frac{C^5 - 1}{5C^5(C - 1)} \quad (14-12)$$

*Lowering the load.* For this case

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &= CT_2 \\ T_2 &= CT_3 \\ T_3 &= CT_4 \\ T_4 &= CT_5 \\ T_5 &= CP \\ P &= \frac{C - 1}{C(C^5 - 1)} Q \end{aligned} \quad (14-13)$$

In the above example, note that in raising the load, the rope  $P$  is the maximum loaded one, while in lowering the load, the rope  $T_1$  is the maximum loaded one. The capacity of a hoist depends on the most heavily loaded rope, as will be discussed in Art. 14-14.

TABLE 14-6. ULTIMATE STRENGTH OF MANILA ROPE  
 $(d = \text{rope diameter, in.})$   
 $(F_u = \text{ultimate strength, lb})$

$d$	$F_u$	$d$	$F_u$	$d$	$F_u$	$d$	$F_u$
$\frac{3}{8}$	1,270	$\frac{5}{8}$	4,000	$1\frac{1}{8}$	10,500	$1\frac{5}{8}$	20,000
$\frac{7}{16}$	1,870	$\frac{3}{4}$	4,700	$1\frac{1}{4}$	12,500	$1\frac{3}{4}$	25,000
$\frac{1}{2}$	2,400	$\frac{7}{8}$	6,500	$1\frac{3}{8}$	15,400	2	30,000
$\frac{9}{16}$	3,300	1	7,500	$1\frac{1}{2}$	17,000	$2\frac{1}{4}$	37,000

**14-12 Manila rope.** Manila rope is used for hoisting only in very small capacity hoists and where safety is not a prime consideration. Allowable loads for a reasonable life of rope may be found by dividing the ultimate strength of the rope  $F_u$  in pounds by a factor of safety equal to 7 for rope speeds up to 100 fpm, increasing to 18 at 300 fpm and to 36 up to 800 fpm (see Table 14-6 for ultimate strengths of manila rope).

**14-13 Wire rope.** *Construction.* Wire rope is constructed of strands each of which is made of small wires twisted together. This construction permits the rope to be wrapped around a sheave without undue bending stresses in the wire.

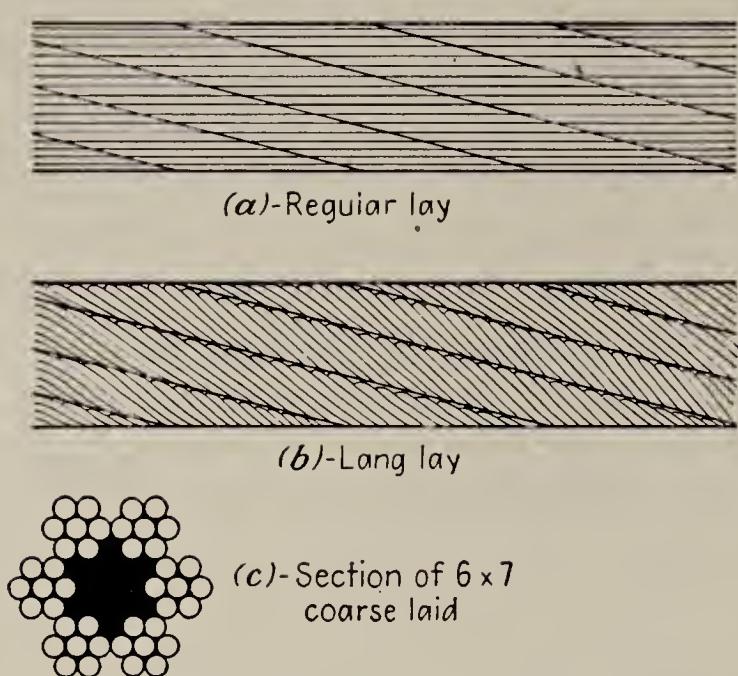


FIG. 14-14. Winding of wire rope.

Two types of winding are in use: one type (a) (see Fig. 14-14), in which the direction of twist of the wires in the strands is opposite to the direction of twist of the strands, is known as "regular lay." When the directions of twist of the wires and strands are the same, as in (b) of the figure, it is known as "lang lay." The regular lay will not untwist or spin under load as much as lang lay, but tests have shown that it has a shorter life.

Wire rope is made in several standard constructions of which the following cover most services:

- 6 × 19<sup>1</sup>—standard hoisting rope
- 6 × 37—extra-flexible hoisting rope
- 8 × 19—extra-flexible hoisting rope
- 6 × 7—standard coarse laid rope

The hemp core is saturated with lubricant to retard rusting of the wires and to reduce friction between the wires. The rope should be periodically cleaned and relubricated.<sup>2</sup>

TABLE 14-7. INCREMENTS OF STANDARD SIZES OF WIRE ROPES

Rope	Diameter, in.	Increment, in.
6 × 19 and 6 × 37	3/8-9/16	1/16
	5/8-2 1/4	1/8
	2 1/4-2 3/4	1/4
8 × 19 and 6 × 7	1/4-9/16	1/16
	5/8-1 1/2	1/8

<sup>1</sup> The first figure represents the number of strands and the second the number of wires in each strand. For example, a 3/4-in. 6 × 7 wire rope is 3/4 in. in diameter and has 6 strands each with 7 wires [see Fig. 14-14(c)]. The core shown in black is hemp.

<sup>2</sup> ASA Safety Code, Elevator Wire Rope Maintenance, *Mech. Eng.*, February, 1943.

Standard sizes of wire ropes may be found from Table 14-7. Ultimate tensile strengths in pounds for plow-steel wire rope and weights in pounds per foot may be approximated from the equations in Table 14-8.

TABLE 14-8. APPROXIMATE WIRE ROPE AND SHEAVE DATA  
( $d$  = rope diameter)

Rope	Ultimate strength, $F_u$ , lb	Weight lb per ft	$d_w$	$A$	Recommended diameter	
					Average	Minimum
6 × 19	$72,000d^2$	$1.60d^2$	$0.063d$	$0.38d^2$	$45d$	$30d$
6 × 37	$68,000d^2$	$1.55d^2$	$0.045d$	$0.38d^2$	$27d$	$18d$
8 × 19	$62,000d^2$	$1.50d^2$	$0.050d$	$0.35d^2$	$31d$	$21d$
6 × 7	$68,000d^2$	$1.45d^2$	$0.106d$	$0.38d^2$	$72d$	$42d$

**14-14 Bending stresses in wire ropes.** As a wire rope is curved to fit its sheave, the *outer* wires are subjected to tension in bending. This is in addition to the tension due to the service load. As the rope passes over the sheave, the bending stress is relieved by the readjustment of the wires. When the rope is straightened as it leaves the sheave, the *inner* wires are subjected to tension in bending.

TABLE 14-9. VALUES OF  $C$  FOR WIRE ROPE

Rope diameter	$C$	Rope diameter	$C$
$\frac{3}{8}$	1.090	$\frac{5}{8}$	1.064
$\frac{7}{16}$	1.083	$\frac{3}{4}$	1.054
$\frac{1}{2}$	1.076	$\frac{7}{8}$	1.046
$\frac{9}{16}$	1.070	1	1.040

A consideration of the mechanics involved leads to the conclusion that the bending stress is directly proportional to the diameter of the wire and inversely proportional to the diameter of the sheave, or

$$s = k \frac{d_w}{D} \quad (14-14)$$

where  $k$  is the constant of proportionality.

If the bending stress is multiplied by the net cross-sectional area  $A$  of the wire in the rope, the product  $sA$  represents a load that may be referred to as a bending load  $F_b$ . Its value from Eq. (14-14) becomes

$$F_b = k A \frac{d_w}{D} \quad (14-15)$$

The sum of this bending load and the external, or service, load on the rope should not exceed the allowable load on the rope, or, expressed as

an equation,

$$\frac{F_u}{\text{f.s.}} \geq F_b + F_s \quad (14-16)$$

$$F_b = kA \frac{d_w}{D}$$

where  $k = 12,000,000$  psi

$d_w$  = diameter of wire in rope, in.

$D$  = pitch diameter of sheave, in.

$A$  = net area of wire in rope, in.<sup>2</sup>

$F_u$  = ultimate strength of rope, lb

f.s. = factor of safety

$F_s$  = service load on rope, lb

TABLE 14-10. RECOMMENDED MINIMUM SAFETY FACTORS FOR WIRE ROPE  
(American Steel and Wire Co.)

Track cables.....	3.2
Guys.....	3.5
Mine shafts:	
Depths	
To 500 ft.....	8
1,000–2,000 ft.....	7
2,000–3,000 ft.....	6
Over 3,000 ft.....	5
Miscellaneous hoisting.....	5
Haulage ropes.....	6
Overhead and gantry cranes.....	6
Jib and pillar cranes.....	6
Derricks.....	6
Small electric and air hoists.....	7
Hot ladle cranes.....	8
Slings.....	8

Equation (14-16) is based on the assumption that the significant property of a wire rope is its *strength*. The factor of safety is chosen so that the rope selected on the basis of strength will have a reasonable life. This means that the rope should not fail as a result of fatigue or wear.

An important matter contributing to both fatigue and wear is the compressive stress<sup>1</sup> on the wires caused by bearing against the sheave. This condition, among others, indicates that the analysis given here is approximate and must require the liberal factors of safety suggested in Table 14-10. The values in this table include an allowance for bending stress, hence are higher than the factors applying to Eq. (14-16).

<sup>1</sup> Drucker and Tachau, A New Design Criterion for Wire Rope, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 67, p. A-33, 1945.

## CHAPTER 15

### POWER-TRANSMISSION CHAINS

**15-1 Features of chain drives.** Important advantages of the chain drive are (a) that it is adapted to long or short center distances and (b) that one chain may be arranged to drive more than one unit. Some arrangements are shown in Fig. 15-1. It is important that the shafts be in good alignment, especially for high-speed chains and for wide chains. Chain drives that are properly selected and installed operate at high efficiency and with low maintenance cost.

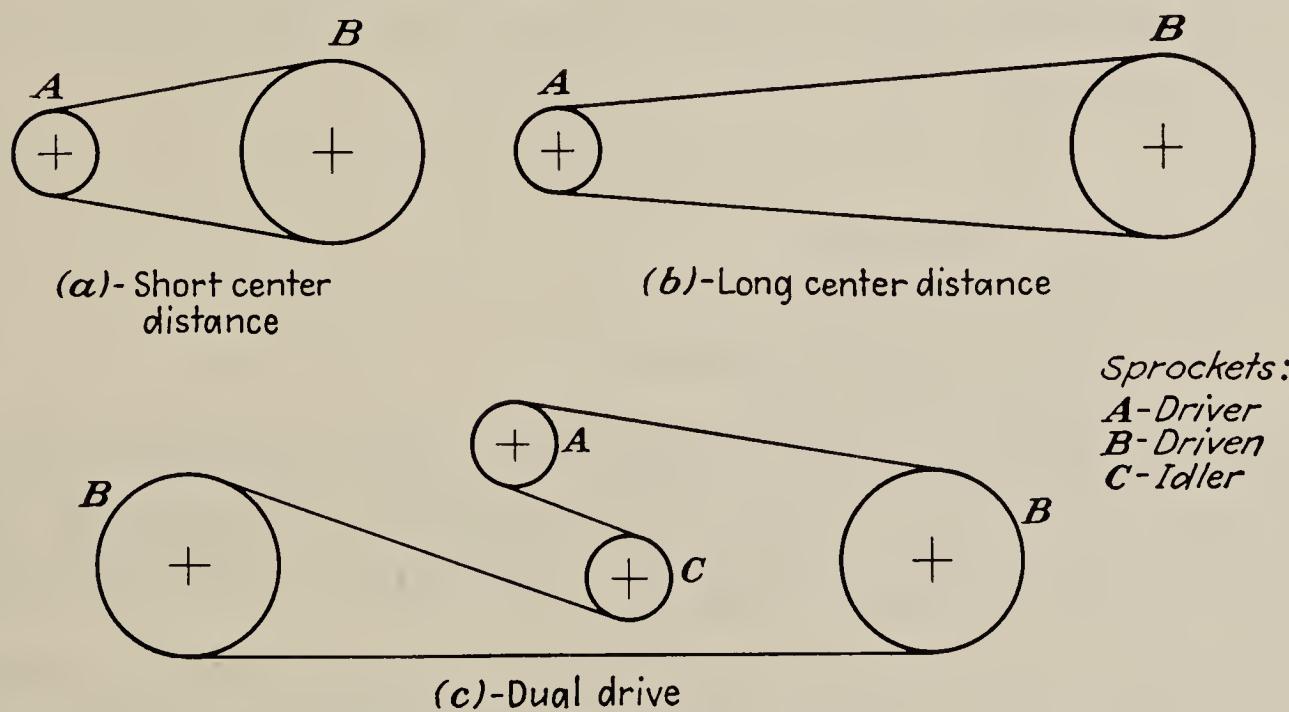


FIG. 15-1. Arrangements of chain drives.

**15-2 Chain speed.** The action of a chain as it runs with a sprocket may be likened to that of a nonslipping belt running with a prism. Assuming that the driving prism, or sprocket, rotates uniformly, it is evident that the speed of the chain will vary from a minimum value, as shown by the solid lines in Fig. 15-2(a), to a maximum value, as shown by the dotted lines. Because of this variation in chain speed, the driven sprocket will not rotate uniformly unless it has the same number of teeth as the driving sprocket. By increasing the number of teeth on the sprocket, the variation in chain speed will be reduced.

For a sprocket having 11 teeth, the variation in chain speed amounts to about 4 per cent; for 17 teeth, the variation is 1.6 per cent; and for 24 teeth, the variation is less than 1 per cent. Thus if the minimum number of teeth in the small sprocket is 17 or preferably 24 teeth, the drive should operate smoothly.

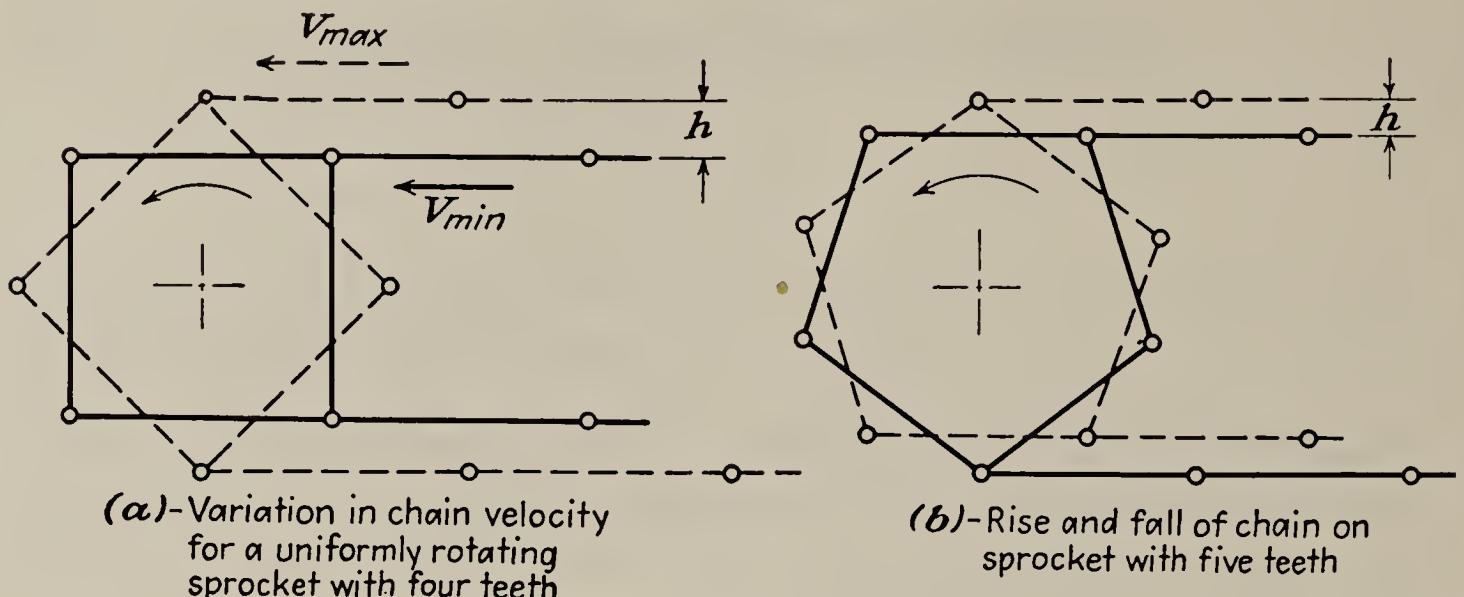


FIG. 15-2. Action of chain engaging sprocket.

The average chain speed is equal to the length of chain reeled off the sprocket in unit time, or

$$V = \frac{pTN}{12} \quad (15-1)$$

where  $V$  = chain speed, fpm

$p$  = pitch of chain, in.

$T$  = number of sprocket teeth

$N$  = sprocket speed, rpm

Although there is a trend toward higher chain speeds for ordinary applications, economical speeds are of the order of 2,500 fpm for roller chains and 4,000 fpm for silent chains. Both types of chains have been operated satisfactorily up to 6,500 fpm.

It is usually desirable to use small pitches in a chain drive to prevent surging of the chain; however, excessively small pitches may increase the first cost unnecessarily. As an aid in selecting a pitch, the following empirical formula which has given good results in practice may be used.

$$p \leq \left( \frac{900}{N} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \quad (15-2)$$

where  $p$  is the pitch in inches and  $N$  is the speed of the small sprocket in rpm.

**15-3 Number of teeth on sprocket.** The most desirable number of teeth on a sprocket depends on several considerations. As shown in Fig. 15-3, the angle through which a chain link turns on its pin as it

engages with the sprocket is equal to 180 deg divided by the number of teeth on the sprocket. Thus with a small number of teeth, the angle of rotation will be large and wear of the pin and bushing will be rapid. This consideration requires a minimum of 17 or preferably 24 teeth for steady chain loading. Finally, for a particular pitch of chain, the size of the sprocket—and hence the chain speed—increases with the number of teeth. This means that the load on the chain required to transmit a given horsepower will be less with a large sprocket than with a smaller one, and hence a smaller chain may be used. There is a limit to the chain speed, however, because of dynamic effects and lubrication difficulties.

The above discussion indicates that a large number of teeth on a sprocket is desirable from an operating standpoint. However, the cost

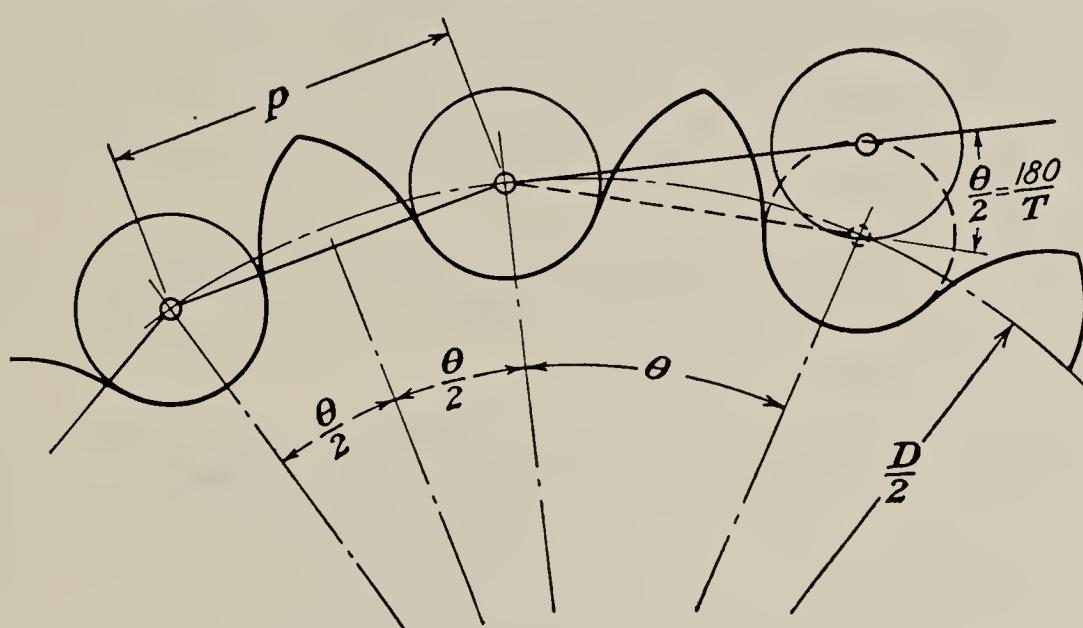


FIG. 15-3. Action of chain engaging sprocket teeth.

of larger sprockets and cases, space limitations, and lubrication considerations generally favor a small number. Hence, the number of sprocket teeth specified must represent a compromise. Recommended minimum numbers of sprocket teeth are given in the tables for various types of chains.

It is usually preferable to use an odd number of teeth on a sprocket so that wear will be uniformly distributed over the teeth. This is desirable particularly for exposed or partially lubricated drives. An odd number of teeth favors the condition where an old chain is replaced by a new one in that a sprocket with an odd number of teeth would show uniform wear of the teeth, whereas a sprocket having an even number of teeth would show alternate teeth having greater wear than the intermediate ones.

To determine the pitch diameter  $D$  of a sprocket, the geometry of Fig. 15-3 may be used, *i.e.*,

$$\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{p}{2} \div \frac{D}{2}$$

or

$$D = \frac{p}{\sin(\theta/2)} = \frac{p}{\sin(180/T)} \quad (15-3)$$

For sprocket cutting, the pitch diameter is calculated to thousandths or tenths of thousandths of an inch, modifying if necessary the calculated value to provide clearance.

**15-4 Design horsepower.** The useful life of power-transmission chains is usually terminated by troubles arising from wear at the joints. The wear is caused by the rotation of the links as they are seated on the sprocket, *i.e.*, through the angle  $\theta/2$  in Fig. 15-3. The wear may be aggravated by shock loads due to speed variations caused by the driving unit or the driven equipment or both. Wear at the joints increases the pitch of the chain so that the links will not seat properly on the sprocket teeth which in turn causes increased dynamic loads on the joints. When this occurs, the rate of wear is increased and the useful life of the chain will be near its end.

To allow for shock loads and hours per day of use, the transmitted horsepower should be multiplied by a service factor to obtain the design horsepower (see Table 15-1).

TABLE 15-1. SERVICE FACTORS FOR POWER-TRANSMISSION CHAINS

Type of load	Roller chain, hr per day		Inverted-tooth chain, hr per day	
	10	24	10	24
Uniform load, average conditions.....	1.0	1.2	1.0-1.2	1.3-1.5
Moderate shock.....	1.2	1.4	1.3-1.5	1.6-1.8
Heavy shock.....	1.4	1.7	1.6-2.0	2.0-2.5

**15-5 Block chains.** These chains as shown in Fig. 15-4 are used mainly for conveyor applications. The chain is relatively noisy and wear is rapid because of the impact between the blocks and the sprocket.

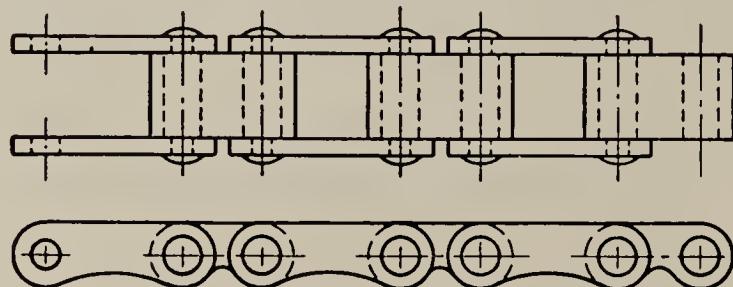


FIG. 15-4. Block chain.

**15-6 Roller chains.** The side plates for the roller chain shown in Fig. 15-5 are blanked from cold-rolled steel. The pins, bushings, and rollers are generally made of alloy steel, hardened and ground. The

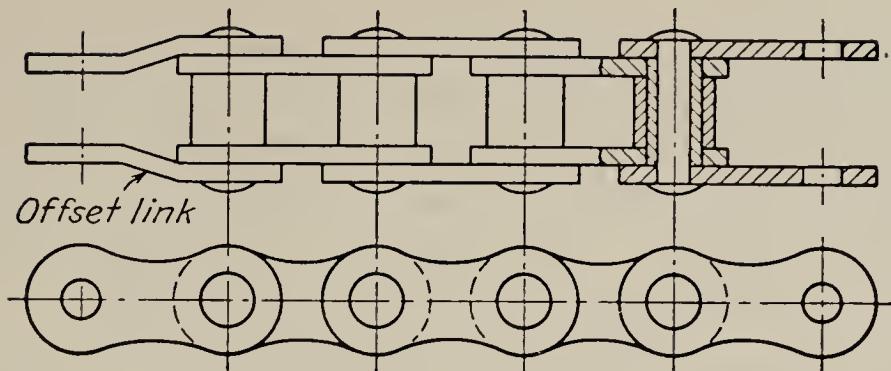


FIG. 15-5. Roller chain.

chains are rugged and durable and if properly selected, installed, and lubricated will give excellent service.

Roller chains are manufactured in standard pitches, as shown in Table 15-2. In the chain number, the right-hand digit 5 indicates a

TABLE 15-2. RECOMMENDED MAXIMUM RPM OF SPROCKETS FOR ROLLER CHAINS

Chain No.	25	35	41	40	50	60	80	100	120	140	160	180	200	240
Pitch	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{5}{8}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	1	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$	2	$2\frac{1}{4}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	3
Teeth	Rpm													
11	4,310	2,260	1,020	1,690	1,220	920	580	415	325	235	200	165	145	110
12	4,960	2,590	1,170	1,940	1,400	1,050	670	475	375	270	230	190	165	125
13	5,540	2,900	1,310	2,180	1,570	1,180	750	535	415	305	260	215	185	140
14	6,070	3,170	1,430	2,380	1,720	1,290	820	585	455	335	280	235	205	155
15	6,530	3,420	1,540	2,560	1,850	1,390	880	630	490	360	305	255	220	165
16	6,940	3,630	1,630	2,720	1,960	1,480	935	670	520	380	325	270	235	175
17	7,290	3,810	1,720	2,860	2,060	1,550	985	700	550	400	340	285	245	185
18	7,590	3,970	1,790	2,980	2,150	1,610	1,020	730	570	415	355	295	255	195
19	7,840	4,100	1,850	3,080	2,220	1,670	1,060	755	590	430	365	305	265	200
20	8,050	4,210	1,890	3,160	2,280	1,720	1,090	775	605	440	375	315	270	205
21	8,230	4,300	1,940	3,230	2,330	1,750	1,110	790	620	450	385	320	280	210
22	8,370	4,380	1,970	3,290	2,370	1,780	1,130	805	630	460	390	325	280	215
23	8,480	4,430	2,000	3,330	2,400	1,800	1,150	815	640	465	395	330	285	215
24	8,560	4,480	2,020	3,360	2,420	1,820	1,160	825	645	470	400	330	290	220
25	8,610	4,510	2,030	3,380	2,440	1,830	1,160	830	650	475	400	335	290	220
30	8,580	4,490	2,020	3,370	2,430	1,830	1,160	825	645	470	400	335	290	220
35	8,200	4,290	1,930	3,220	2,320	1,740	1,110	790	615	450	380	320	275	210
40	7,580	3,970	1,780	2,970	2,140	1,610	1,020	730	570	415	355	295	255	195
45	6,820	3,570	1,600	2,670	1,930	1,450	920	655	515	375	320	265	230	175
50.	5,950	3,110	1,400	2,330	1,680	1,270	805	575	450	325	275	230	200	150
55	5,010	2,620	1,180	1,970	1,420	1,070	675	480	375	275	235	195	170	125
60	4,020	2,100	950	1,580	1,140	860	545	390	305	220	185	155	135	100

rollerless bushing chain, 1 indicates a lightweight chain, and 0 indicates a chain of usual proportions with roller. The number to the left of the right-hand digit is the number of  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. in the pitch. The recommended maximum speed of the small sprocket is shown for various numbers of teeth in the small sprocket. Sprockets are available from 5 to 159 teeth. Fewer than 11 but preferably 24 are not recommended.

Equation (15-4) gives the recommended horsepower rating for a single strand of roller chain. The ratings are based on a service factor of unity. By dividing the horsepower per strand from the equation into the design horsepower (which includes the service factor) the number of strands for the chain is arrived at. Roller chains may consist of a single strand or of two or more strands. The usual maximum width is four strands, but wider chains with special design features for pin support are available.

In Eq. (15-4), the first term in the bracket depends on the allowable bearing pressure on the pins and bushings to limit the rate of wear at these points. The angle of rotation of the links as they become seated on the sprocket affects the wear and is allowed for by the function of  $\theta$ , and the centrifugal tension is allowed for by the  $V^{1.41}$  term:

$$\text{hp per strand} = p^2 \left[ \frac{V}{23.7} - (1 + 25 \text{ vers } \theta) \frac{V^{1.41}}{1,057} \right] \quad (15-4)$$

where  $p$  = pitch of chain, in.

$V$  = chain speed =  $pTN/12$ , fpm

$T$  = number of teeth in small sprocket

$N$  = rpm of small sprocket

$$\theta = \frac{180}{T}$$

$$\text{vers } \theta = 1 - \cos \theta$$

Tables of horsepower ratings for various speeds of small sprocket, chain pitch, and number of teeth on the small sprocket are given in the

American Standards Association publication ASA B29.1-1950. Considerable design information is also given in that source, including recommended types of lubrication for various chain speeds. Before the final selection of chain is made, the manufacturers' data should be consulted.

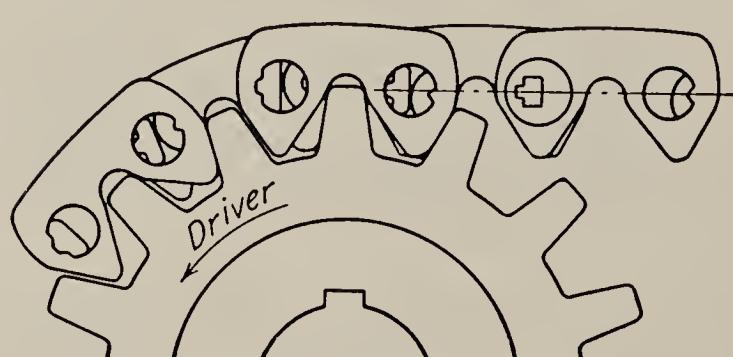


FIG. 15-6. Morse silent chain.

**15-7 Inverted tooth chains.** The inverted tooth, or silent, chain is made of overlapping links connected by pins in the Reynolds type of chain or by rocker joints in the Morse chain (see Fig. 15-6). Since the loading on the pin or rocker is nearly uniformly distributed over its length, bending of the pins is practically eliminated, and thus a small connection may

be used. The connection will therefore be so flexible that the chain links will accommodate themselves to small inaccuracies in the sprocket teeth, and pin breakage is uncommon. Thus the width of a silent chain is not so closely limited as in a roller chain. Silent chains over 30 in. wide have been used.

Inverted tooth chains are manufactured in standard pitches, as shown in Table 15-3. In the chain number, SC refers to silent chain and the numeral following is the number of  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. in the pitch. The table gives the recommended maximum speed of the small sprocket for various pitches and number of teeth on the small sprocket. For best results, the small sprocket should have at least 21 teeth. Sprockets are available with 17 to 150 teeth.

Equation (15-5) gives the recommended ratings for inverted-tooth chains in horsepower per inch of width of the chain. The computed value may be divided into the design horsepower to give the width of chain required. The range of chain widths should be between  $p$  and  $10p$  but preferably between  $2p$  and  $6p$ . The widths vary by  $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. increments and maximum standard widths are given in Table 15-3.

TABLE 15-3. MAXIMUM RPM OF SMALL SPROCKET FOR INVERTED TOOTH CHAINS

Chain No.	SC3	SC4	SC5	SC6	SC8	SC10	SC12	SC16
Pitch, in.	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{5}{8}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	1	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2
Max. width, in.	4	7	8	10	14	20	24	30
Number of teeth	Rpm							
17	4,000	3,500	2,500	2,000	1,200			
19	5,000	3,500	2,500	2,000	1,500	1,200	1,000	700
21	6,000	3,500	3,000	2,500	1,800	1,200	1,000	700
23	6,000	4,000	3,000	2,500	1,800	1,800	1,200	800
25	6,000	4,000	3,500	2,500	1,800	1,800	1,200	900
27	6,000	4,000	3,500	2,500	2,000	1,800	1,200	900
29	6,000	4,000	3,500	2,500	2,000	1,800	1,200	900
31	6,000	4,000	3,500	2,500	2,000	1,800	1,200	900
33	6,000	4,000	3,500	2,500	2,000	1,800	1,200	900
35	6,000	4,000	3,500	2,500	2,000	1,800	1,200	900
37	5,000	3,500	3,000	2,500	1,800	1,200	1,000	800
40	5,000	3,500	2,500	2,500	1,500	1,200	900	800
45	4,000	3,000	2,000	2,000	1,500	1,000	900	700
50	3,500	2,500	2,000	1,800	1,200	1,000	800	600

$$\text{hp per inch of width} = \frac{pV}{53} \left[ 1 - \frac{V}{425(T - 8)} \right] \quad (15-5)$$

The notation is the same as for Eq. (15-4).

In Eq. (15-5), the first term depends on the allowable bearing pressure on the pins and the last term allows for the centrifugal tension and also for the number of teeth in the small sprocket, which is related to the angle of rotation of the links in seating on the sprocket.

The American Standards Association publication, ASA B29.2-1950, and manufacturers' data give tables of horsepower ratings of inverted-tooth chains for various pitches and speeds of sprockets with various numbers of teeth.

**15-8 Maximum sprocket bore.** In small sprockets, it is necessary to determine whether the number of teeth and the pitch selected will result in a sprocket large enough to be mounted on the shaft with due allowance for a keyway. On this basis, the following relations may be used to determine the minimum number of teeth that may be used with a given pitch for a sprocket bore  $d$ .

Roller-chain sprocket:

$$T_{\min} = \frac{4d}{p} + 5 \quad \text{for pitches to 1 in.} \quad (15-6a)$$

$$= \frac{4d}{p} + 4 \quad \text{for pitches } 1\frac{1}{4} \text{ to } 2\frac{1}{2} \text{ in.} \quad (15-6b)$$

Silent-chain sprocket:

$$T_{\min} = \frac{4d}{p} + 6 \quad \text{for pitches to 2 in.} \quad (15-6c)$$

**15-9 Length of chain.** The following equation may be used to determine the approximate length of a chain:

$$L = \frac{T_1 + T_2}{2} + \frac{2C}{p} + \frac{p(T_1 - T_2)^2}{39.5C} \quad (15-7)$$

where  $L$  = length of chain in links

$T_1, T_2$  = numbers of sprocket teeth

$C$  = center distance, in.

$p$  = pitch, in.

The length in links should be used as an *even* number unless it is desired to use an *offset*, or *hunting*, link. The advantage of these links is that adjustment of the center distance may be in units of one link instead of a pair of links. A roller-chain offset link is shown in Fig. 15-5. The center distance for sprockets should not be less than the sum of the diameters of the sprockets.

If the exact chain length is required for a specified center distance or sprocket combination, the following equation may be used:

$$L = \frac{T_1 + T_2}{2} + \frac{2C \cos \alpha}{d} + \frac{d(T_1 + T_2)}{180} \quad (15-8)$$

The notation is the same as for Eq. (15-7);  $\alpha$  is the angle between the center line and the tangent to the sprocket pitch circles (see Fig. 14-2).

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{D_1 - D_2}{2C}$$

**15-10 Adjustment for chain tension.** Means for adjusting the center distance should be provided to secure proper chain tension when the drive is installed and to make adjustment for wear of the chain in service. There should be a small amount of slack in the chain, but excessive slack may permit surging of the chain to take place. In some cases it may be necessary to use idler sprockets or shoes installed on the slack side of the chain to take up slack.

**15-11 Chain cases and lubrication.** Chain drives should be enclosed to provide for proper chain lubrication, to keep dirt and grit from the chain and sprockets, and to ensure the safety of the operator. The case should be easy to install and to open for inspection and lubrication. Except at very low speeds the chain should not run through the oil. A high-speed chain running through oil causes an excessive amount of churning which raises the temperature of the oil and which may create high pressure in the case so that leakage may occur. Oil disks or rings may be used to distribute the lubricant.

**EXAMPLE 15-1.** Roller- and silent-chain selection. Select a chain drive to connect an 1,150-rpm induction motor to a centrifugal pump rated at 1,000 gpm against a head of 30 ft at 575 rpm of the pump. The efficiency of the pump is 63 per cent and the efficiency of the chain drive may be taken as 98 per cent. The fluid pumped is water and the duty is 24 hr per day.

Roller chain:

$$\text{Transmitted hp} = \frac{1,000 \times 8.33 \times 30}{33,000 \times 0.63 \times 0.98} = 12.2$$

Select a 15-hp motor.

$$\text{Design hp} = 1.2 \times 12.2 = 14.6.$$

$$\text{Maximum pitch} = \left( \frac{900}{N} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} = \left( \frac{900}{1,150} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} = 0.85 \text{ in.}$$

From Table 15-2, assume  $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. pitch.

Assume 21 teeth on small sprocket.

From Table 25-2, the motor-shaft diameter is  $1\frac{1}{8}$  in. From Eq. (15-6a),

$$T_{\min} = \frac{4d}{p} + 5 = \frac{4 \times 1.875}{0.75} + 5 = 15$$

The assumed 21 teeth is therefore satisfactory for bore of small sprocket.

From Eq. (15-1), the chain speed is

$$V = \frac{pTN}{12} = \frac{0.75 \times 21 \times 1,150}{12} = 1,510 \text{ fpm}$$

The angle of link rotation is

$$\theta = \frac{180}{T} = \frac{180}{21} = 8.5 \text{ deg}$$

$$\text{vers } \theta = 1 - \cos \theta = 1 - 0.989 = 0.011$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hp per strand} &= p^2 \left[ \frac{V}{23.7} - (1 + 25 \text{ vers } \theta) \frac{V^{1.41}}{1,057} \right] \\ &= (0.75)^2 \left[ \frac{1,510}{23.7} - (1 + 25 \times 0.011) \frac{1,510^{1.41}}{1,057} \right] \\ &= 0.563 \left( 63.7 - 1.275 \frac{30,360}{1,057} \right) = 15.3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{No. of strands} = \frac{14.6}{15.3} = 0.955 \quad \text{Use 1 strand of No. 60 chain}$$

Sprocket diameters:

Small sprocket:

$$D_1 = \frac{p}{\sin (180/T_1)} = \frac{0.75}{\sin (180/21)} = 5.07 \text{ in.}$$

Large sprocket:

$$T_2 = \frac{1,150}{575} \times 21 = 42$$

$$D_2 = \frac{p}{\sin (180/T_2)} = \frac{0.75}{\sin (180/42)} = 10.05 \text{ in.}$$

Minimum center distance:

$$C = D_1 + D_2 = 10.05 + 5.07 = 15.12 \quad \text{Use 16 in.}$$

Length of chain:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \frac{T_1 + T_2}{2} + \frac{2C}{p} + \frac{p(T_2 - T_1)^2}{39.5C} \\ &= \frac{21 + 42}{2} + \frac{2 \times 16}{0.75} + \frac{0.75(42 - 21)^2}{39.5 \times 16} \\ &= 31.5 + 42.7 + 0.525 = 74.7 \text{ links} \quad \text{Use 76 links} \end{aligned}$$

Inverted-tooth chain: The design horsepower, assumed number of teeth, pitch, and chain speed are the same as for the roller chain.

For the inverted-tooth chain,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hp per inch} &= \frac{pV}{53} \left[ 1 - \frac{V}{425(T - 8)} \right] \\ &= \frac{0.75 \times 1,510}{53} \left[ 1 - \frac{1,510}{425(21 - 8)} \right] = 15.6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Chain width} = \frac{14.6}{15.6} = 0.935 \text{ in.} \quad \text{Use 1-in. wide chain}$$

The sprocket diameters and chain length will be the same as for the roller chain.

**15-12 Tension chain linkages.** This application is a chain which has lineal motion but not continuous in direction. The chain need not be formed as an endless belt. In Fig. 15-7(a) is shown an hydraulic lift with a chain passing over a floating sprocket. In this arrangement the length of the cylinder is one-half the vertical lift of the platform. At

(b) in the figure is a spring-controlled device to reposition a shaft that has been rotated through a limited angle. Other applications of chains in tension linkages are chain hoists, chain earth-drilling rigs, elevators for materials handling, lift trucks, and servomechanisms. For the latter class of applications, a miniature mechanical chain which has a pitch of 0.147 in. is available in roller and inverted-tooth construction, made of stainless steel or of beryllium copper (nonmagnetic) with sprockets as small as 0.3401 in. in pitch diameter.

The advantages of chains versus wire cables in tension linkages are positive connection between chain and sprocket, ease of flexure of chain,

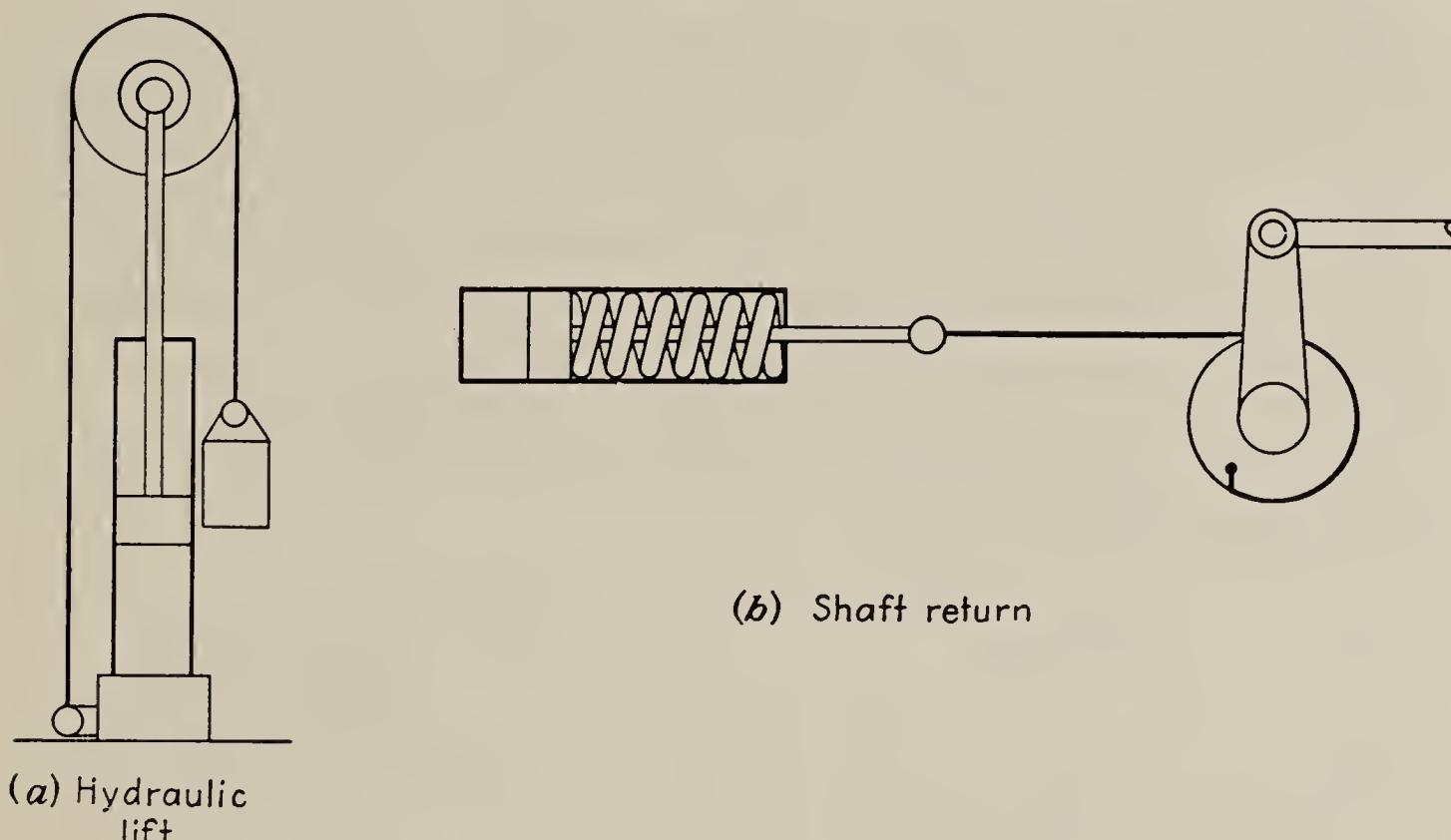


FIG. 15-7. Tension linkages.

simplicity of end connection of chain to attached member, and ease of lubrication.

The allowable load in pounds on a single strand of a standard roller chain used in a tension linkage under steady conditions (no shock) may be determined from the equation

$$\text{Allowable load} = 1,900p^2 \quad (15-9)$$

where  $p$  is the pitch of the chain in inches. For the lightweight chain, No. 41, use 1,000 instead of 1,900 in the above equation.

The above equation is based on the ultimate strength of the chain and an average factor of safety of 8. The real factor of safety is lower, however, because the ultimate strength of the chain is not alone the criterion of failure, since bearing pressure, cyclic loading, stress concentration, and endurance limit of the links and pins are also involved. Any effects of shock loading should be allowed for by introducing a shock factor in accordance with the judgment of the designer.

## CHAPTER 16

### SHAFT COUPLINGS

**16-1 Introduction.** Shaft couplings are used in machinery for several purposes, the most common of which are the following: (a) to provide for the connection of shafts of units that are manufactured separately, such as a motor and a generator, and to provide for disconnection for repairs or alterations; (b) to provide for misalignment of the shafts or to introduce mechanical flexibility; (c) to reduce the transmission of shock loads from one shaft to another; (d) to introduce protection against overloads; (e) to alter the vibration characteristics of rotating units.

Some commonly used types of shaft couplings are described briefly in the following articles.

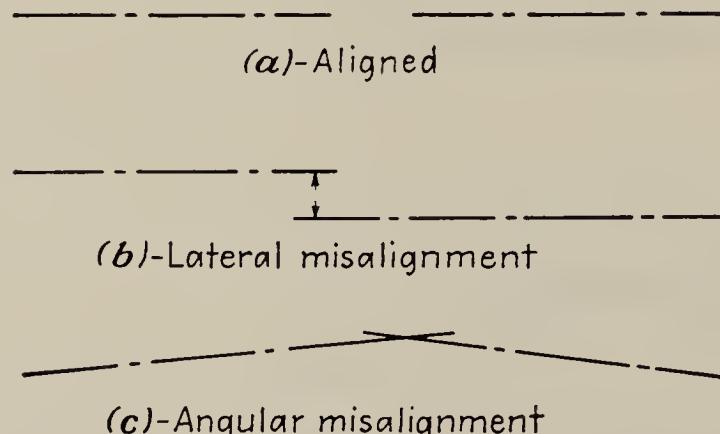


FIG. 16-1. Alignment of shaft center lines.

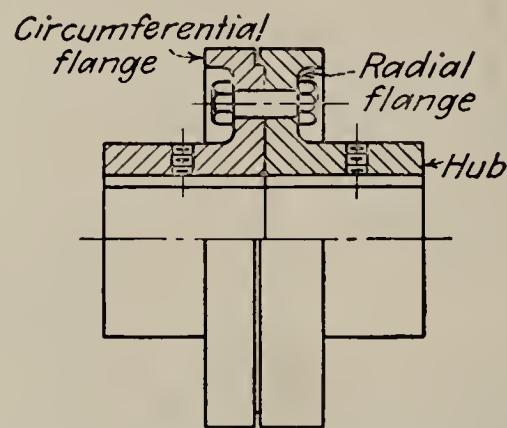


FIG. 16-2. Flanged shaft coupling.

**16-2 Rigid couplings.** This type of coupling has no flexibility or resilience; hence it is necessary for the shafts that are to be connected to be in good alignment, both laterally and angularly, in order to avoid excessive loads on the coupling, on the shafts, or on the shaft bearings. The two types of shaft misalignment are shown in Fig. 16-1.

*Flange coupling.* This is a common form of rigid coupling; it is composed of two mating halves, which are shown assembled in Fig. 16-2. The coupling bolts should be ground and fitted to holes that are drilled and reamed in the *radial flanges* after the coupling halves are assembled. This procedure is necessary in order that the bolts should share equally the loads imposed on them when the coupling transmits torque. The purpose of the *circumferential flange* is to avoid danger of exposed rotating

nuts and boltheads. The coupling should be designed to avoid failure of the key, failure by shearing off of the radial flange at its juncture with the hub, and failure of the bolts.

*Compression coupling.* This coupling utilizes two split cones, as shown at *c* in Fig. 16-3, which are drawn together by the bolts *b* in order to produce a wedging action which tightens the parts of the coupling and the shafts. The coupling in Fig. 16-3 is the Sellers coupling. Some types of compression couplings do not have keys, but depend entirely on friction produced by the compression pressure to prevent slipping of the parts in transmitting torque.

**16-3 Couplings with kinematic flexibility.** *Oldham coupling.* This coupling may be used to connect shafts that have lateral misalignment.

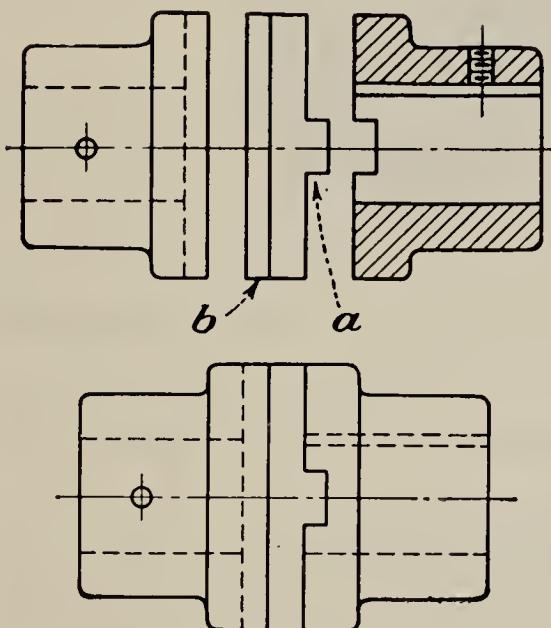


FIG. 16-4. Oldham coupling. Upper view shows parts; lower view shows assembly.

The three parts of the coupling shown in Fig. 16-4 are the two slotted hubs and the central floating part. The floating part has two tongues, one on each face, at right angles to each other. The tongue *a* fits into the slot of the right-hand member and allows for to-and-fro relative motion of the shafts, while the tongue *b* fits into the slot of the left-hand member and allows for vertical relative motion of the parts. The resultant of these two components of motion will accommodate lateral misalignment of the shafts as they rotate.

The *American flexible coupling* shown disassembled in Fig. 16-5 utilizes the

Oldham principle. By widening the slots and tongues in the Oldham coupling, the central floating member may be formed into a block as shown in the figure so that it may ride between the faces of the jaw flanges of the driving and driven members. The bearing surfaces of the floating block are provided with replaceable nonmetallic strips which are lubricated from the grease reservoir in the hollow block. This coupling may be used for shafts that have lateral misalignment, and may be used also with some angular misalignment if the coupling halves are properly mounted with axial clearance.

The *Amerigear flexible coupling* transmits torque from one shaft to the other by means of two hubs and a floating sleeve. The hubs have exter-

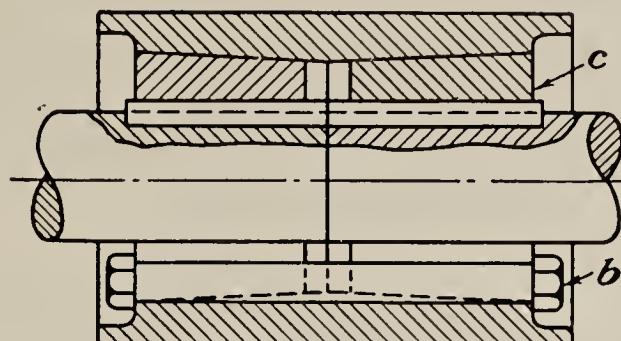


FIG. 16-3. Compression coupling.

nal gear teeth cut on their peripheries and the sleeve incorporates matching internal teeth. The two hubs are separated axially, and the gear teeth are of a special design with involute flanks and faces curved in both directions so that they may accommodate angular misalignment by a ball-and-socket action. This coupling has wide application in railway, automotive, air-transportation, and marine equipment as well as extensive industrial use.

*Chain coupling* is composed of two sprockets mounted face to face on the ends of the shafts and coupled and connected by a length of chain wrapped around the sprockets. This type of coupling is made by both silent-chain and roller-chain manufacturing companies. Small lateral

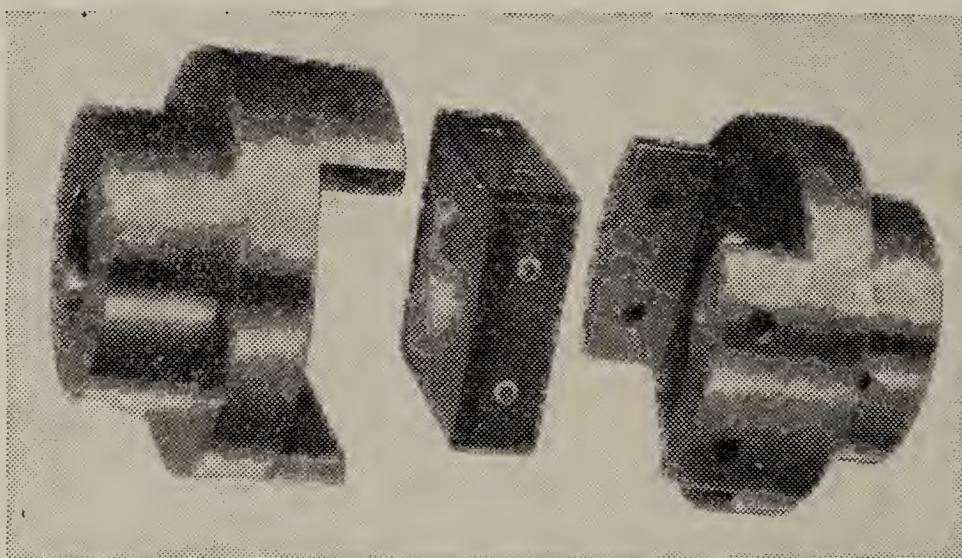


FIG. 16-5. American flexible coupling. (*Courtesy of American Flexible Coupling Company.*)

and angular misalignments may be accommodated. The couplings are enclosed in a case filled with grease.

The *universal joint*, or Hooke's coupling, is used to join two intersecting shafts. Angular misalignments up to 15 or even 30 deg may be accommodated. The angular velocity ratio for two shafts connected by one universal joint is not constant, but may be made constant by the use of an intermediate shaft and two universal joints properly mounted.<sup>1</sup>

A constant-velocity universal joint that utilizes a group of rolling steel balls as the intermediate member has been developed. Two types are in use, namely, the Rzeppa<sup>2</sup> and the Bendix-Weiss<sup>3</sup> universal joints. Shafts with angles of from 30 to 40 deg may be coupled by a single joint of this type. Applications include automotive drives and machine tools.

**16-4 Flexible couplings with resilient parts.** This type of coupling achieves flexibility by means of resilient parts or members interposed

<sup>1</sup> Albert and Rogers, "Kinematics of Machinery," John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1938.

<sup>2</sup> The Gear Grinding Machine Co., Detroit, Mich.

<sup>3</sup> Bendix Products Corp., South Bend, Ind. See H. H. Mabie, Constant Velocity Joints, *Machine Design*, May, 1948.

between the coupled parts. The resiliency has several functions, such as allowing for small lateral or angular misalignment, reducing the transmissibility of shock loads from one unit to another, and altering the vibration characteristics of the connected parts.

*Ajax coupling.* This coupling shown in Fig. 16-6 is composed of two halves with one set of pins rigidly attached to one half of the coupling

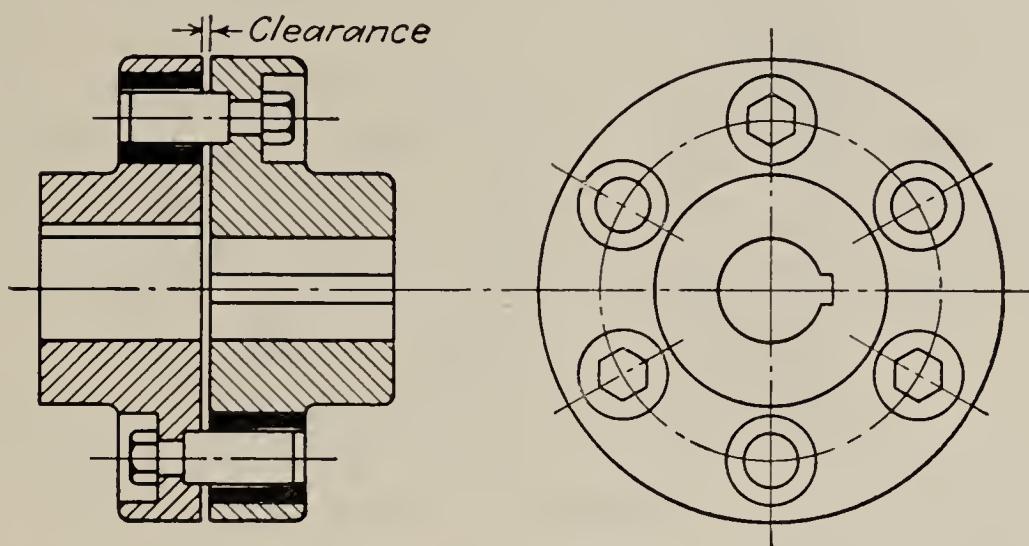


FIG. 16-6. Ajax flexible coupling.

and the alternate pins attached to the other half. Each steel pin that is attached to one-half of the coupling projects into a bronze bushing that is mounted in a rubber sleeve in the other half. The coupling halves are mounted with axial clearance. A small amount of angular and lateral misalignment will be taken up by the rubber sleeves.

*Falk coupling.* This coupling is composed of two slotted members shown in Fig. 16-7(a) which are connected by a continuous steel spring

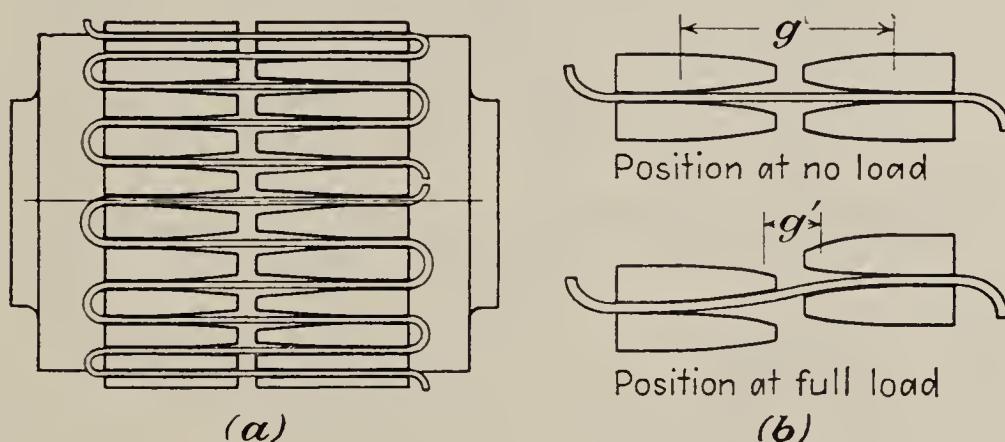


FIG. 16-7. Falk coupling.

which lies in the slots. The elements of the spring provide the flexibility of the coupling.

The sides of the slots in which the spring lies are formed as shown at (b) in the figure. It may be noted that the effective length of the elements of the spring changes from a maximum  $g$  at no load to a minimum  $g'$  at full load, so that as the torque on the coupling increases the coupling becomes "stiffer." This is a very desirable characteristic for installations

in which torsional vibration of the shaft is an important consideration. The coupling parts may be readily disconnected by removing the steel spring.

The *Westinghouse-Nuttall coupling* uses helical springs as a resilient connection between the two halves of the coupling shown in Fig. 16-8. This

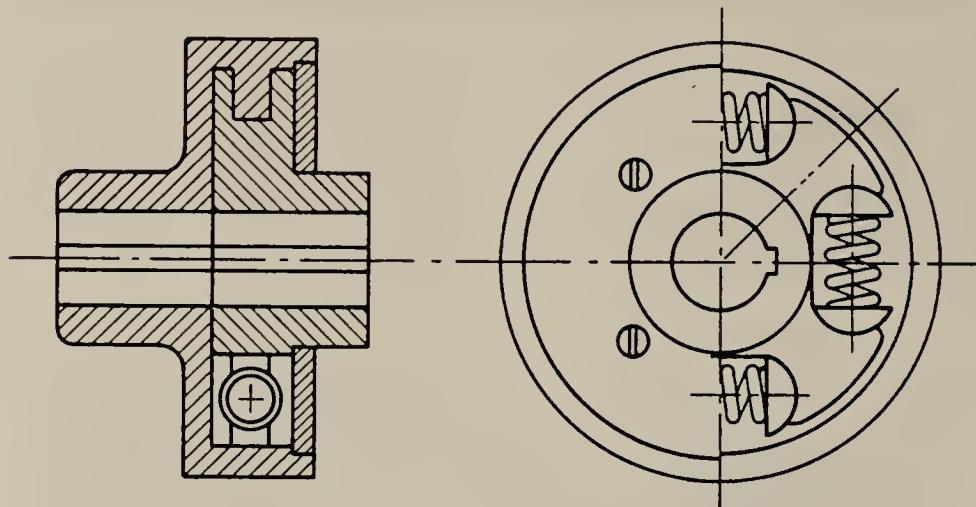


FIG. 16-8. Westinghouse-Nuttall coupling.

coupling is used to reduce the transmission of shock loads and to alter the torsional vibration characteristics of rotating members. This type of resilient connection is also frequently interposed between the hub and rim of a gear sprocket or clutch to form a self-contained shock-absorbing member.

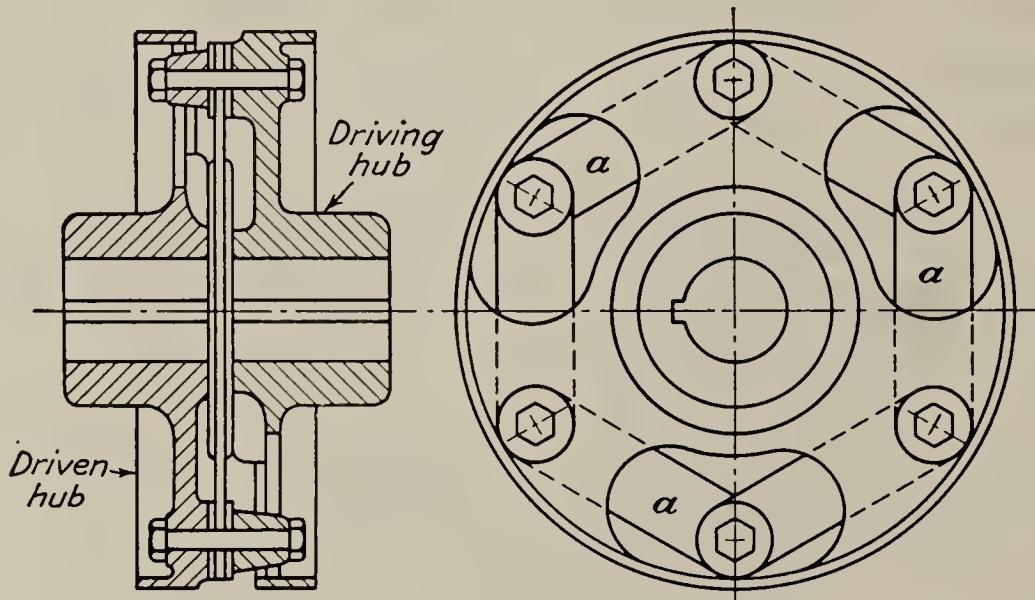


FIG. 16-9. Leather-link coupling.

*Leather-link coupling.* This coupling employs leather links to connect the driving and driven members, as shown in Fig. 16-9. It should be noted that one set of links are pulling links for one direction of rotation while the alternate set are trailing links. In Fig. 16-9 the links *a* are pulling links for clockwise rotation. The trailing links are necessary to prevent backlash in the event of any tendency to reversal of motion, such as shock loading.

*Flexible disk coupling.* This coupling is similar in construction to the leather-link coupling, except that a disk made of leather or rubberized canvas is used instead of links. This type of coupling has extensive application in drives transmitting low power.

*Lord coupling.* The two halves of this coupling, Fig. 16-10, are connected by a section made of rubber or Neoprene that is bonded to the halves of the coupling.

**16-5 Slip couplings.** This coupling is designed to permit relative rotation, or slip, between the driving and driven parts at a predetermined torque for the purpose of preventing damage to parts because of overloading. There are many variations in form of this type of coupling. A common form for medium and large capacities is illustrated in Fig. 16-11. The flanged hub *a* is keyed to

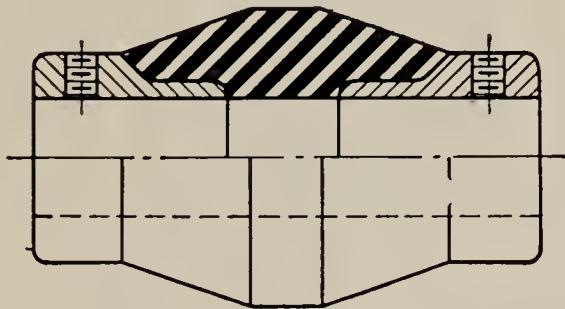


FIG. 16-10. Lord coupling.

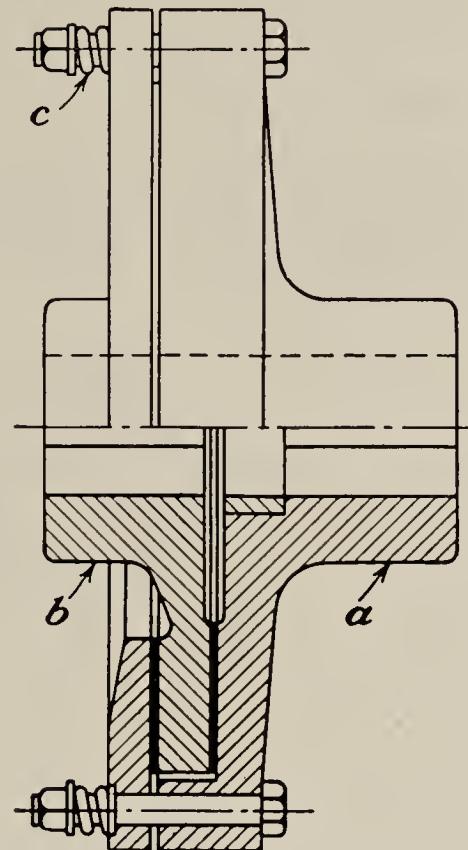


FIG. 16-11. Slip coupling.

the driving member. The driven member *b* is composed of a flanged hub with friction disks attached to both sides of the flange. Several springs, as shown at *c*, are loaded by tightening the bolts and thus create pressure on the friction surfaces.

**16-6 Fluid couplings.** The fluid coupling is composed of a primary, or input, element called the *impeller* and a secondary, or output, element called the *runner*. The enclosed fluid provides the connection between the impeller and runner. The impeller and runner are essentially identical in construction. The principle of operation is as follows: The fluid, usually oil, begins its cycle at the inner radius of a cell that it occupies, as at *a* in Fig. 16-12(*a*). When the impeller rotates, the fluid flows outward toward *b* because of centrifugal force. Since the runner would be initially at rest or *rotating at a speed lower than that of the impeller*, the centrifugal force of the fluid in the impeller cells which causes fluid flow in a clockwise direction, as shown, will be greater than the centrifugal force of the fluid in the runner cells which tends to cause counterflow. Hence, when the impeller is rotating, there will be fluid flow in a clockwise direction, as shown at (*a*) in the figure.

The above discussion accounts for flow of the fluid from the impeller to the runner and back to the impeller. Now as shown at (b) in the figure, the fluid at position  $a$  will have a tangential velocity  $V_a$ . When the fluid arrives at position  $b$ , it will have a tangential velocity  $V_b$  that is greater than  $V_a$  by the ratio of the corresponding radii. A unit mass of fluid will therefore have gained kinetic energy in flowing from  $a$  to  $b$ , and this gain represents the input to the coupling.

The next phase in the operation is the transfer of the kinetic energy, which the mass of fluid has gained, to the runner as the fluid passes radially inward through the cells of the runner while its tangential velocity is reduced from  $V_b$  to  $V_a$ . The energy thus transferred to the runner imparts rotation to the driven member.

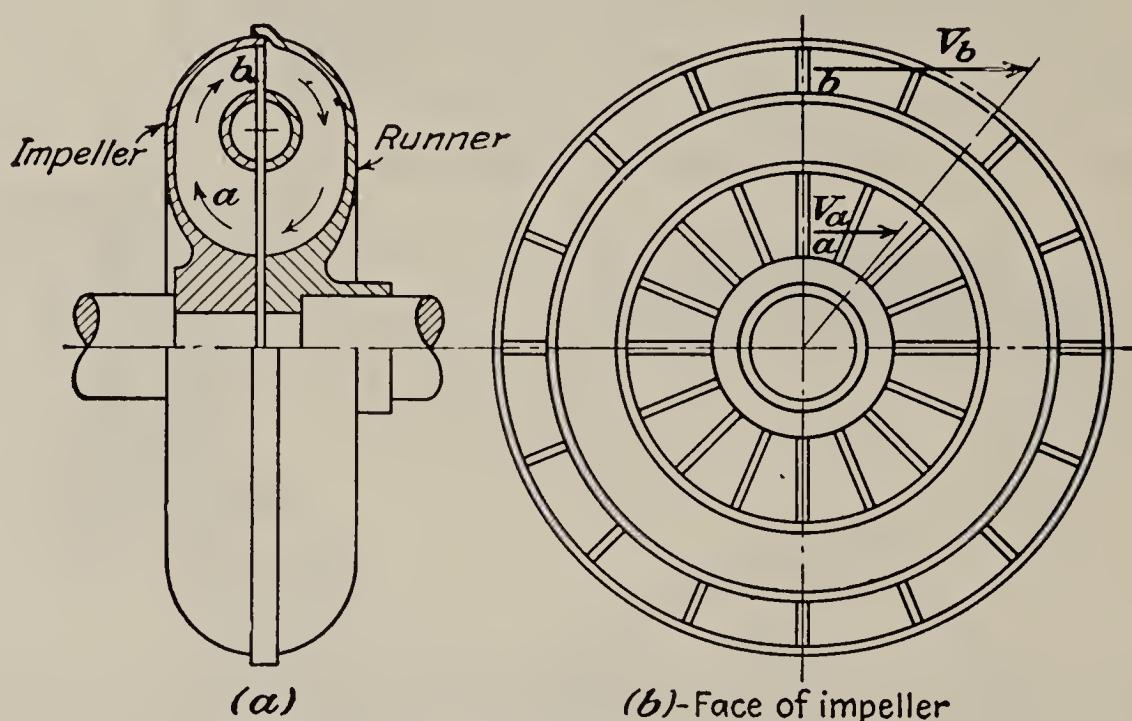


FIG. 16-12. Hydraulic coupling.

The difference between the impeller and runner speeds is known as *slip* and is usually expressed as a percentage of the impeller speed. For well-designed fluid couplings, the slip may be as low as 1 per cent at rated capacity.

In a fluid coupling, the fluid connection between the impeller and runner results in a marked decrease in transmission of torsional vibrations.

By controlling the quantity of fluid in the coupling, the speed of the runner may be varied. This feature makes the fluid coupling useful in speed control. Other applications of this coupling are due to its torque-speed characteristics.

In order to avoid self-induced vibrations set up by the coupling on account of the "register," or matching, of the vanes in the impeller and runner, the number of vanes in one half of the coupling is one more or less than the number of vanes in the other half of the coupling.

## CHAPTER 17

### CLUTCHES AND BRAKES

**17-1 Introduction.** In the operation of a *friction clutch* during engagement, the initial condition is that the driving member is moving while the driven member is at rest; and in the final condition both members are

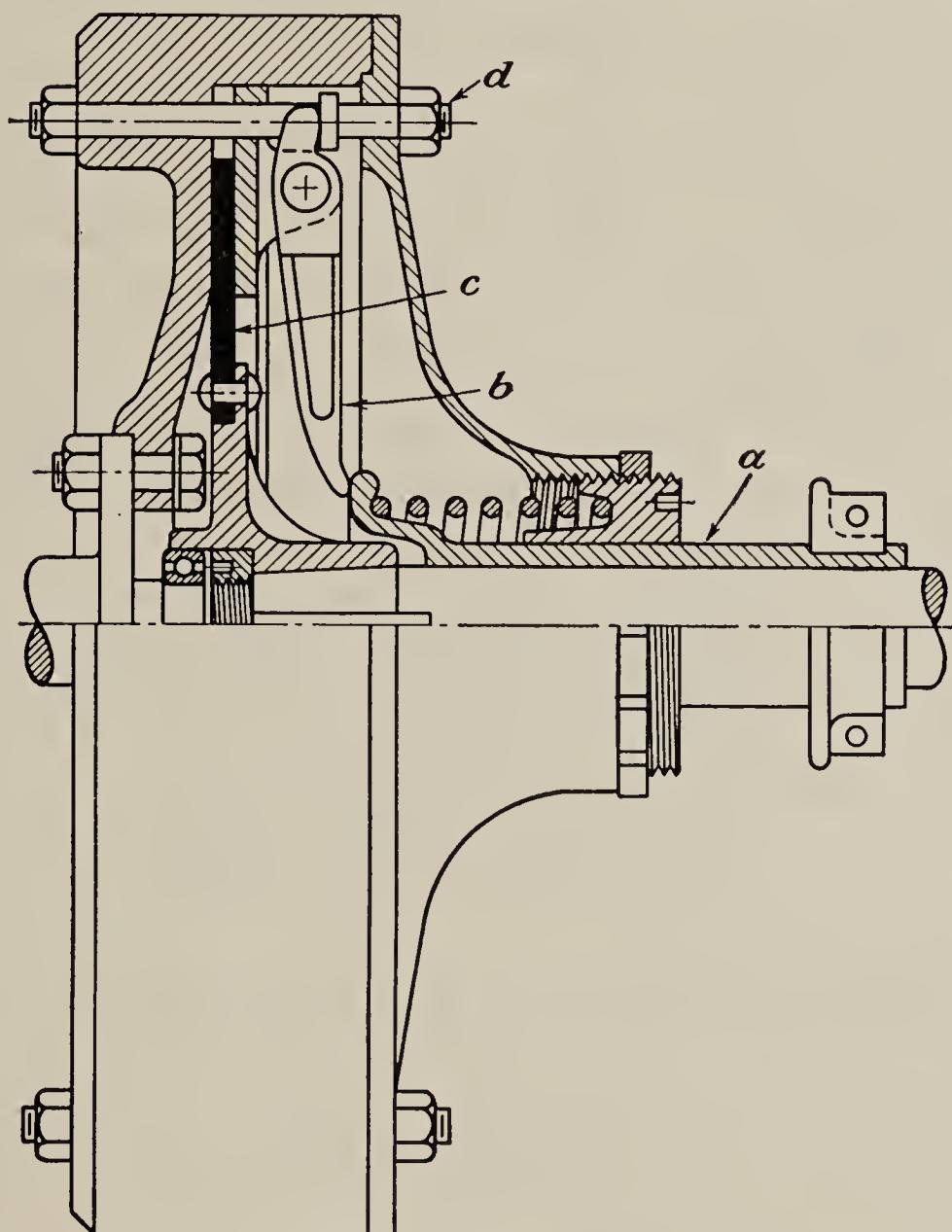


FIG. 17-1. Plate clutch.

moving at the same speed, *i.e.*, with no relative motion. In the operation of a *brake* during braking, the initial condition is that one member, such as the brake wheel or drum, is moving while the braking member is stationary; and in the final condition both members are at rest and have no relative motion.

It is thus apparent that the principle of operation of both a friction clutch during engagement and of a friction brake during braking is to bring two members having relative motion to the state of no relative motion. The operation of a clutch is therefore essentially the same as that of a brake; however, there are structural differences in the two units because of control requirements and the necessity for providing for heat absorption or dissipation in brakes.

**17-2 Plate clutches and brakes.** *Plate clutch.* In an automotive type of plate clutch shown in Fig. 17-1, the left hand part, which is the flywheel, is connected to the engine.

The driven plate is attached to the hub, which in turn is keyed to the driven shaft. Pressure on both sides of the driven plate is produced by the coil spring, which acts through the levers, as shown. To release the clutch, the sleeve *a* is moved to the right, which compresses the spring, removes the load from the levers, and allows the driving plates to rotate free of the driven plate. Note that both sides

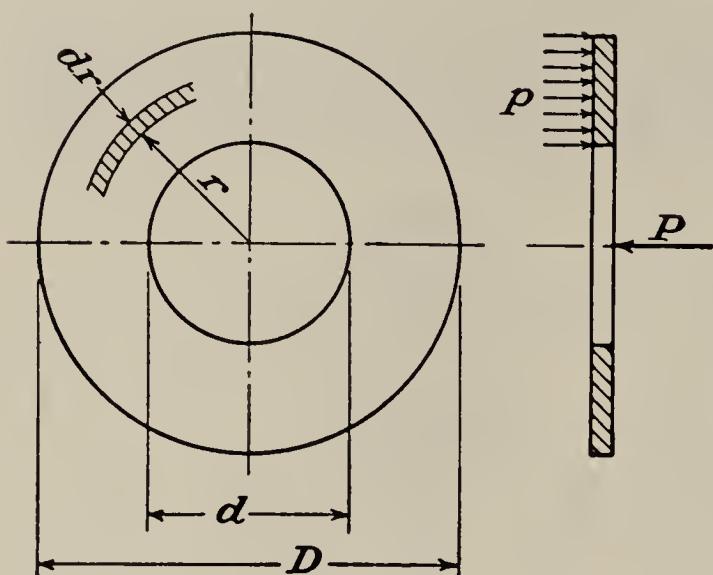


FIG. 17-2. Friction disk.

of the driven plate are friction surfaces, so that there are two *pairs of friction surfaces* for this clutch.

*Force analysis.* In Fig. 17-2 there is shown a friction disk with outer and inner diameters,  $D$  and  $d$ , respectively. The mating disk, not shown, produces a pressure on the surface because of the axial load  $P$ .

$$\text{Elementary surface area } dA = 2\pi r dr$$

$$\text{Normal force on } dA = p2\pi r dr$$

$$\text{Frictional force on } dA = fp2\pi r dr$$

where  $p$  = the surface pressure

$f$  = coefficient of friction, assumed as constant

Therefore

$$P = 2\pi \int_{d/2}^{D/2} pr dr \quad (a)$$

and

$$T = 2\pi f \int_{d/2}^{D/2} pr^2 dr \quad (b)$$

Before Eqs. (a) and (b) may be integrated, it is necessary to make an assumption regarding the distribution of pressure. Two cases will be considered.

1. *Uniformly distributed pressure.* For new clutches and rigid mountings, the pressure may be assumed to be uniformly distributed over the contact area; hence,  $p$  may be regarded as constant.

Therefore, from Eq. (a),

$$P = \frac{\pi p}{4} (D^2 - d^2) \quad (c)$$

and, from Eq. (b),

$$T = \frac{2\pi pf}{24} (D^3 - d^3) \quad (d)$$

By eliminating  $p$  from Eqs. (c) and (d) and solving for  $T$ ,

$$T = \frac{fP}{3} \left( \frac{D^3 - d^3}{D^2 - d^2} \right) \quad (17-1)$$

where  $T$  is the torque for *one pair* of friction surfaces in contact.

2. *Uniform axial wear.* An inspection of worn clutch plates reveals that the plates are not of uniform thickness. To account for the non-uniformity of wear, it is necessary to make an assumption regarding wear.

The mechanism of wear is the gradual tearing away by interlocking (friction) of particles of the rubbing surfaces. Thus friction and wear are copartners. The rate of wear depends on the friction force at the surfaces in contact which depends on the pressure, and it depends on the rubbing velocity and on the hardness of the surfaces. Thus the wear on an element of area in one revolution depends on the product of  $fp$  and the distance  $2\pi r$ . If the coefficient of friction is assumed as constant, the wear is proportional to the product  $pr$ . This quantity is proportional to the *work of friction* on the unit area; hence, the assumption may be stated as *the normal wear of the surface is proportional to the work of friction*. If  $n$  is the normal wear (perpendicular to the surface) and  $k$  is the constant of proportionality, then  $n = kpr$ .

In friction clutches and brakes, it is customary to employ a hard metallic surface such as cast iron for one surface with a replaceable lining or facing made of softer material with a high coefficient of friction for the contacting surface. The latter may be composition fiber, compressed woven asbestos, wood, cork, sintered metal, etc. In the following discussion it is assumed that the wear will be concentrated on the softer material.

In Fig. 17-3(a), the pressure is assumed to be uniformly distributed as for new plates; hence the normal wear at the outer radius is equal to  $kpr_2$  and at the inner radius is equal to  $kpr_1$ . It follows that wear will be greater at the outer radius; hence the plate will wear until it has assumed a shape such as the one shown at (b) in the figure. This changed shape

will result in a redistribution of the pressure, so that  $p_1$  at the inner radius will be greater than  $p_2$  at the outer radius. Wear will take place in this manner until the pressure distribution is such that the product  $p_2r_2$  equals  $p_1r_1$ . Then the wear will progress uniformly along parallel surfaces.

It is apparent that wear of a friction plate takes place in two stages: (a) the initial wear as the stable pressure distribution becomes established,

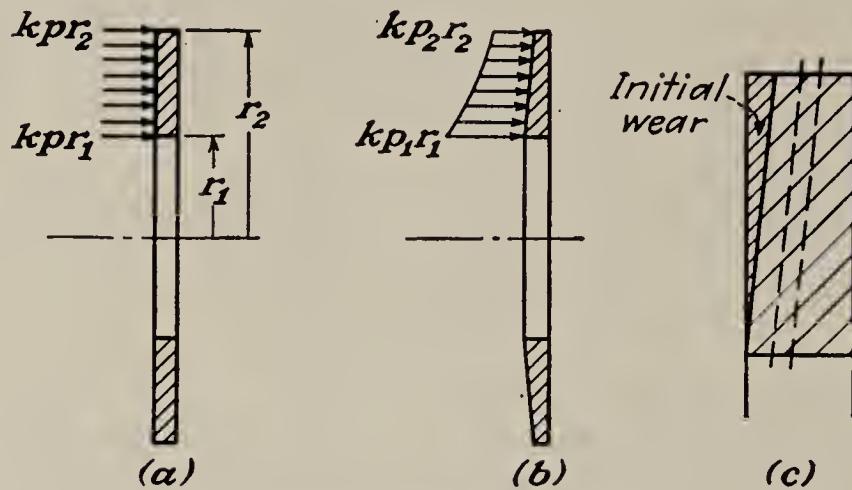


FIG. 17-3. Disk pressure and wear.

which is shown in Fig. 17-3(c); (b) as the plates wear during the life of the plates, the surfaces follow the dotted lines as shown in the figure.

When the equilibrium condition is reached,

$$n = kpr = \text{a constant}$$

and

$$p = \frac{C}{r} \quad (e)$$

By substituting the value of  $p$  from Eq. (e) into Eqs. (a) and (b), integrating, and eliminating the constant  $C$ , the equation for the torque becomes

$$T = f \frac{P}{4} (D + d) \quad (17-2)$$

where  $T$  is the torque for *one pair* of friction surfaces in contact.

In Eq. (17-1) which is for *new* clutches and brakes, the term

$$\frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{D^3 - d^3}{D^2 - d^2} \right)$$

may be called the *friction radius*. In Eq. (17-2) the friction radius is  $\frac{1}{4}(D + d)$ . A comparison of these equations shows that the friction radius for new clutches is slightly larger than for worn-in clutches and the percentage difference may be expressed in terms of the ratio  $D/d$ , as shown in Fig. 17-4. The ratio  $D/d$  for industrial clutches and brakes and for automotive clutches is of the order of 1.5. For this proportion

the difference in the two equations is very low and is much smaller than the variation in the value for the coefficient of friction; hence on the basis of accuracy the choice between the two equations is unimportant. However, Eq. (17-2) gives values for the axial force which are on the side of

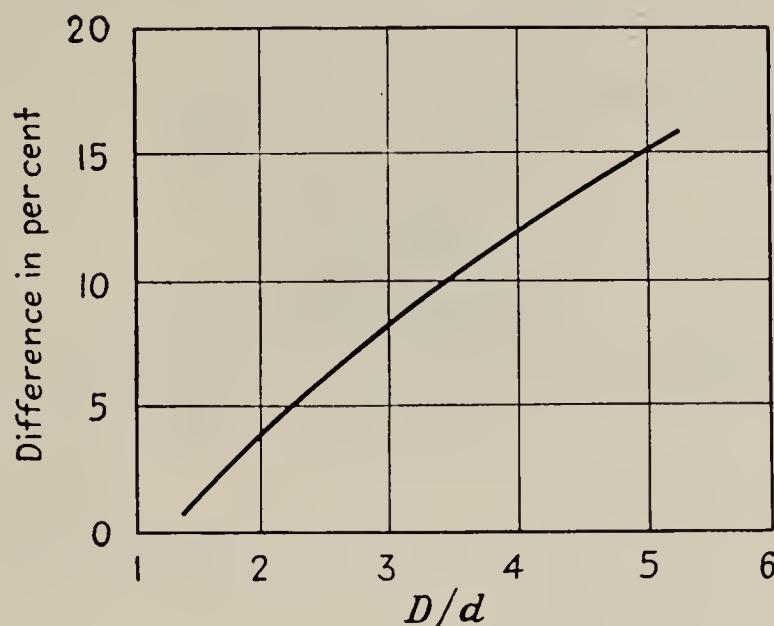


FIG. 17-4. Comparison of Eqs. (17-1) and (17-2).

safety, it applies to most of the life of the plates, and it can be more directly related to space limitations during design, and is therefore recommended for use rather than the uniform-pressure equation.

*Multidisk clutch.* Where large torques must be transmitted, a multidisk clutch, as shown in Fig. 17-5, may be used to limit the operating

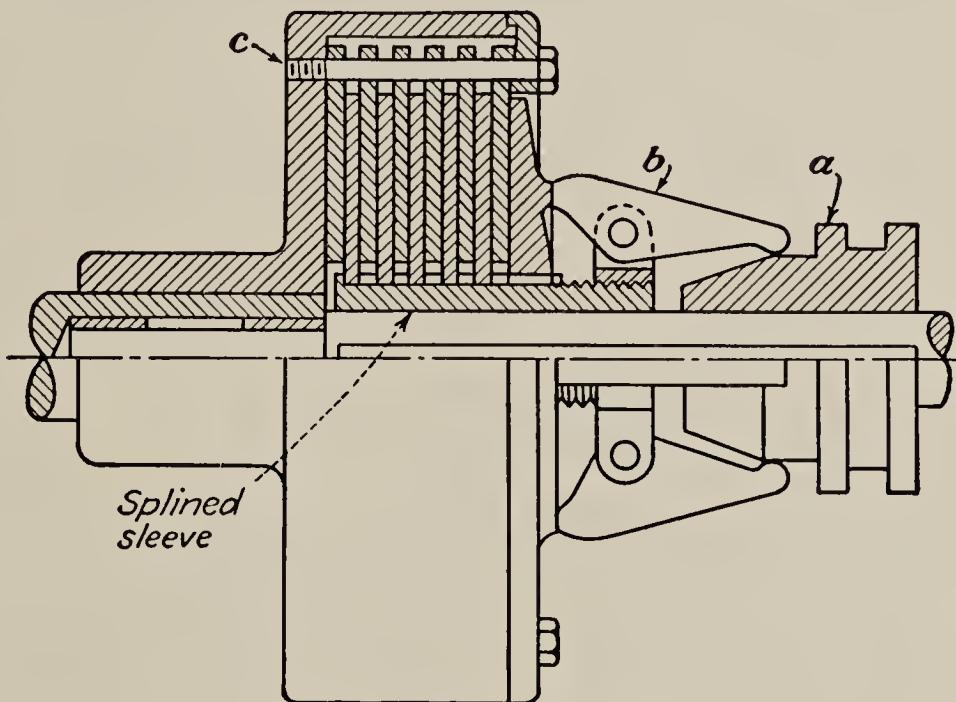


FIG. 17-5. Multidisk clutch.

force. The torque transmitted by this clutch may be determined by multiplying the right-hand member of Eq. (17-2) by the number of pairs of friction surfaces in contact.

*Disk brakes.* Disk brakes are used to a limited extent in some installations where speed control is necessary. In Fig. 17-6, there is shown a

multidisk brake used with a hoisting drum. The member *a* is keyed to the shaft *b* by means of the feather key *c*, thus causing *a* to rotate with the shaft but permitting it to slide axially during engagement and disengagement. One set of friction disks is splined to the member *a*, while the

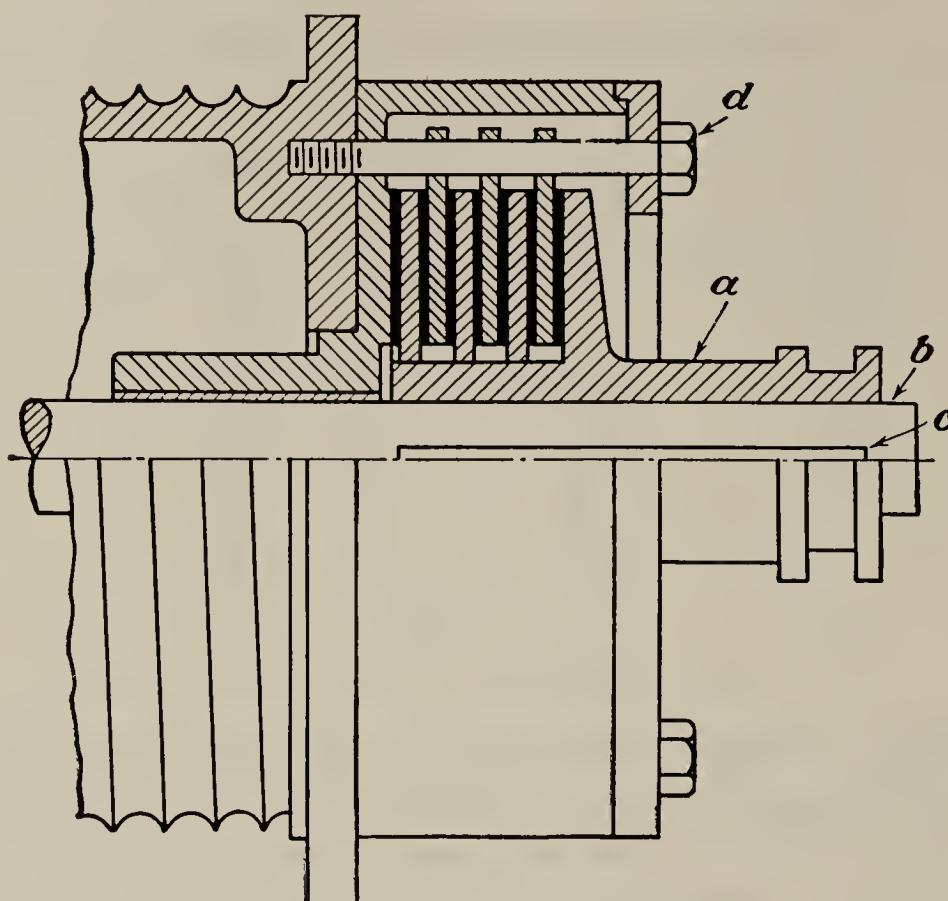


FIG. 17-6. Multidisk brake.

other set slides axially on the bolts *d* but rotates with the drum. When it is desired to raise the load, a force on the operating lever slides the member *a* to the left and connects it with the drum, and the unit acts as a clutch. The shaft is prevented from rotating backward by a ratchet. In order to

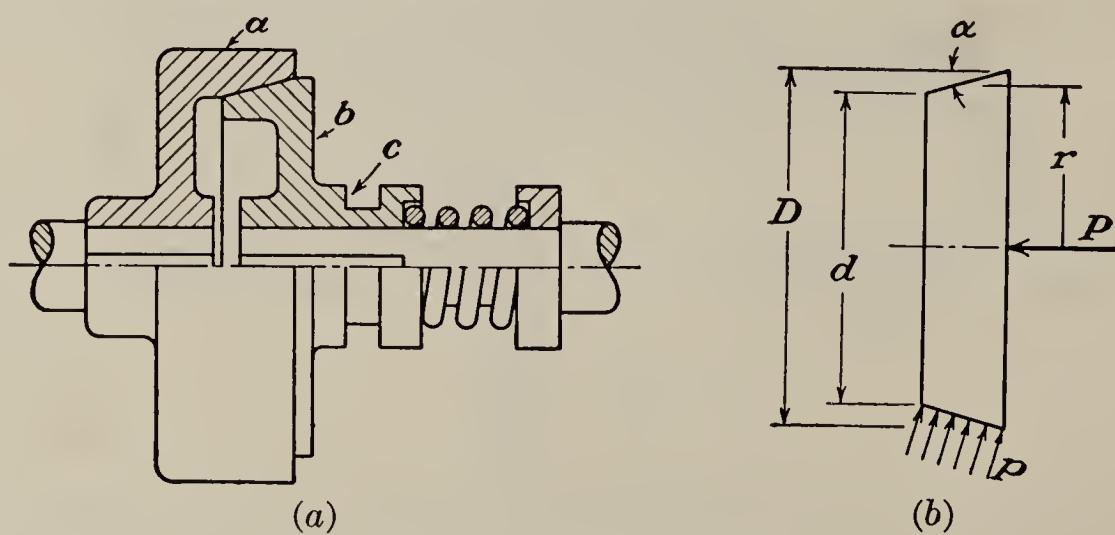


FIG. 17-7. Cone clutch.

lower the load, the operating force is decreased, which allows the load to be lowered. During this phase the unit functions as a brake.

**17-3 Cone clutches.** *Cone clutch.* In Fig. 17-7 is shown a cone clutch in which the outer cone *a* is the driving member and the inner cone *b* is

the driven member. The compression spring provides the force to engage the clutch. In order to disengage the clutch, a shifting fork on a collar that runs in the groove  $c$  may be used to slide the inner cone to the right, thus separating the cones.

*Force analysis.* The relation between the torque transmitted and the axial force may be obtained by following a similar procedure to that for the plate clutch in Art. 17-2. The friction surface of the inner cone of the clutch is shown in Fig. 17-7(b). The cone-face angle is  $\alpha$ , as shown, and the axial force is  $P$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Elementary surface area } dA &= \frac{2\pi r dr}{\sin \alpha} \\ \text{Normal force on } dA &= \frac{p2\pi r dr}{\sin \alpha} \\ \text{Frictional force on } dA &= \frac{fp2\pi r dr}{\sin \alpha} \\ P &= 2\pi \int_{d/2}^{D/2} pr dr \end{aligned} \quad (a)$$

and

$$T = \frac{2\pi f}{\sin \alpha} \int_{d/2}^{D/2} pr^2 dr \quad (b)$$

From the assumption that "the normal wear is proportional to the work of friction," as discussed in Art. 17-1, it may be deduced that

$$p = \frac{C}{r} \quad (c)$$

By substituting the value of  $p$  from Eq. (c) into Eqs. (a) and (b), integrating, and eliminating the constant  $C$ , the following equation is determined for the torque transmitted by a cone clutch

$$T = \frac{fP(D + d)}{4 \sin \alpha} \quad (17-3)$$

By making the cone angle  $\alpha$  equal to 90 deg, the cone clutch becomes a plate clutch and Eq. (17-3) reduces to Eq. (17-2). It may be noted that a given torque may be transmitted by a relatively small axial force if the cone-face angle is decreased. There is a lower limit to the angle  $\alpha$ , however, since the frictional force that must be overcome in releasing the clutch increases as  $\alpha$  decreases. Thus a clutch with a small cone angle requires a relatively small force to engage the clutch but a large force for disengagement. The SAE recommends an angle  $\alpha = 12.5$  deg for cone clutches faced with leather or asbestos or having cork inserts.

Cone brakes are similar to cone clutches in construction and operation.

**17-4 Block brakes and clutches.** In this type of brake or clutch one or more blocks, or shoes, are forced against a wheel that usually has a cylindrical surface.

*Single block brake.* In Fig. 17-8 is shown a single block brake in which the block attached to the operating lever is forced against the rotating wheel.

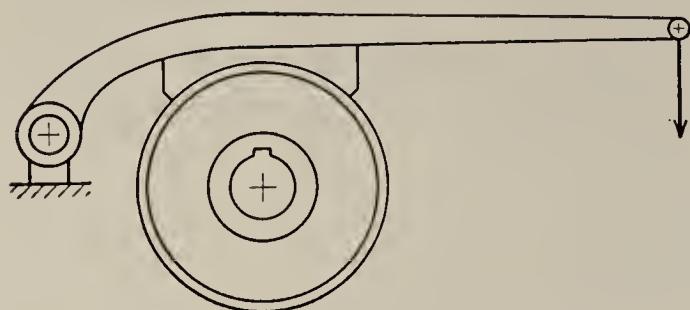


FIG. 17-8. Single block brake.

*Force analysis for friction block brake.* A cylindrical wheel, or drum, that is assumed to rotate as indicated is shown in Fig. 17-9.

The block is forced against the wheel by a radial force  $P$ . The relation between the force  $P$  and the torque  $T$  may be determined as follows:

Let  $P$  = operating force on the block in a radial direction

$D$  = diameter of wheel

$T$  = torque on wheel

$\theta$  = one-half the angle of contact surface of the block

$b$  = width of wheel

$f$  = coefficient of friction for materials of block and wheel

$p$  = pressure between block and wheel

$$\text{Elementary area of contact } dA = \frac{D}{2} b d\phi$$

$$\text{Normal force on } dA = p \frac{D}{2} b d\phi$$

The component of this normal force parallel to  $P$  is equal to

$$dP = p \frac{D}{2} b \cos \phi d\phi$$

or

$$P = \int_{-\theta}^{+\theta} p \frac{D}{2} b \cos \phi d\phi = \frac{Db}{2} \int_{-\theta}^{+\theta} p \cos \phi d\phi \quad (a)$$

$$\text{Force of friction on elementary area} = fp \frac{D}{2} b d\phi$$

$$T = \int_{-\theta}^{+\theta} fp \frac{D^2}{4} b d\phi \quad (b)$$

By assuming that the coefficient of friction is constant, the equation for  $T$  becomes

$$T = f \frac{D^2 b}{4} \int_{-\theta}^{+\theta} p d\phi \quad (17-4)$$

In order to obtain an expression for the pressure in terms of  $\phi$ , it is necessary to make an assumption, a rational one being that the "normal wear is proportional to the work of friction."

In the usual construction of a block brake or clutch, the wear takes place mainly on the block or lining attached to the block. As wear occurs, the block or lining will retain the cylindrical shape of the wheel, as shown in Fig. 17-9(b). The component of wear in the direction of  $P$ , i.e.,  $\overline{ab}$  will be constant. Therefore the normal wear  $\overline{ac} = \overline{ab} \cos \phi$ .

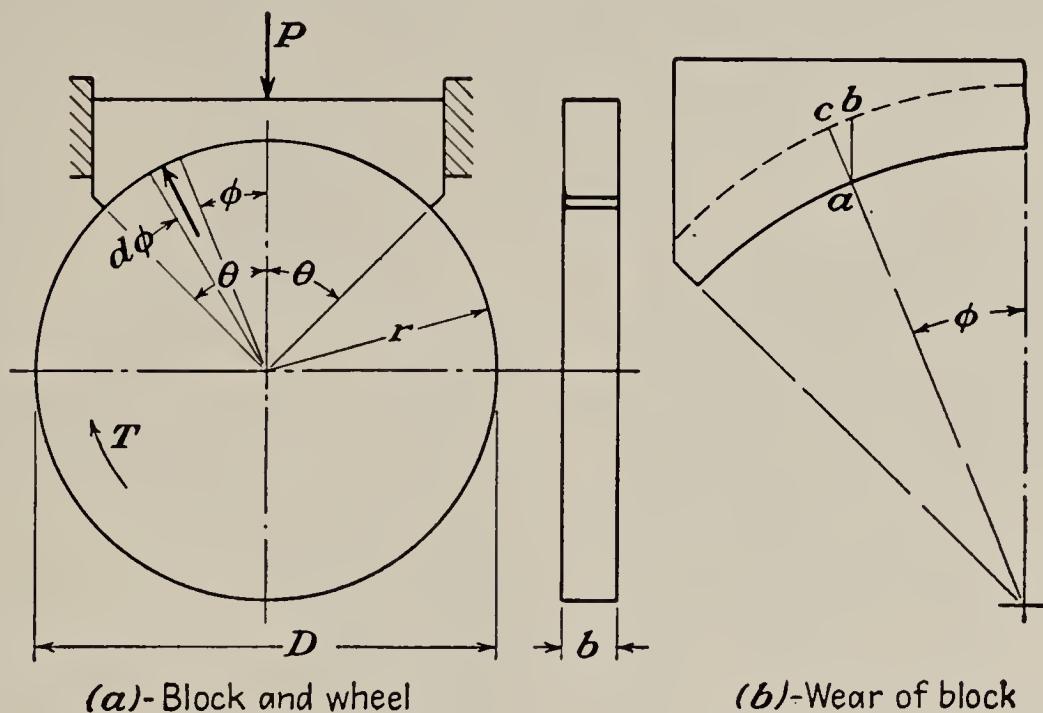


FIG. 17-9. Single block clutch.

Now the work of friction on an elementary area is proportional to the pressure  $p$ , and hence from the assumption that the normal wear  $\overline{ac}$  is proportional to the work of friction

$$p \text{ is proportional to } \overline{ab} \cos \phi \quad \text{or} \quad p = C \cos \phi$$

where  $C$  is a constant of proportionality. From Eq. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{CDb}{2} \int_{-\theta}^{+\theta} \cos^2 \phi \, d\phi \\ &= \frac{CDb}{4} (2\theta + \sin 2\theta) \end{aligned}$$

and from Eq. (b)

$$T = \frac{CfD^2b}{4} \int_{-\theta}^{+\theta} \cos \phi \, d\phi = 2Cfb \left( \frac{D}{2} \right)^2 \sin \theta$$

By eliminating  $C$  from the two preceding equations,

$$T = fP \frac{D}{2} \left( \frac{4 \sin \theta}{2\theta + \sin 2\theta} \right) \quad (17-5)$$

The tangential frictional force on the block may be found by dividing the torque by the radius, or  $F = 2T/D$ ; hence,

$$F = fP \left( \frac{4 \sin \theta}{2\theta + \sin 2\theta} \right) \quad (17-6)$$

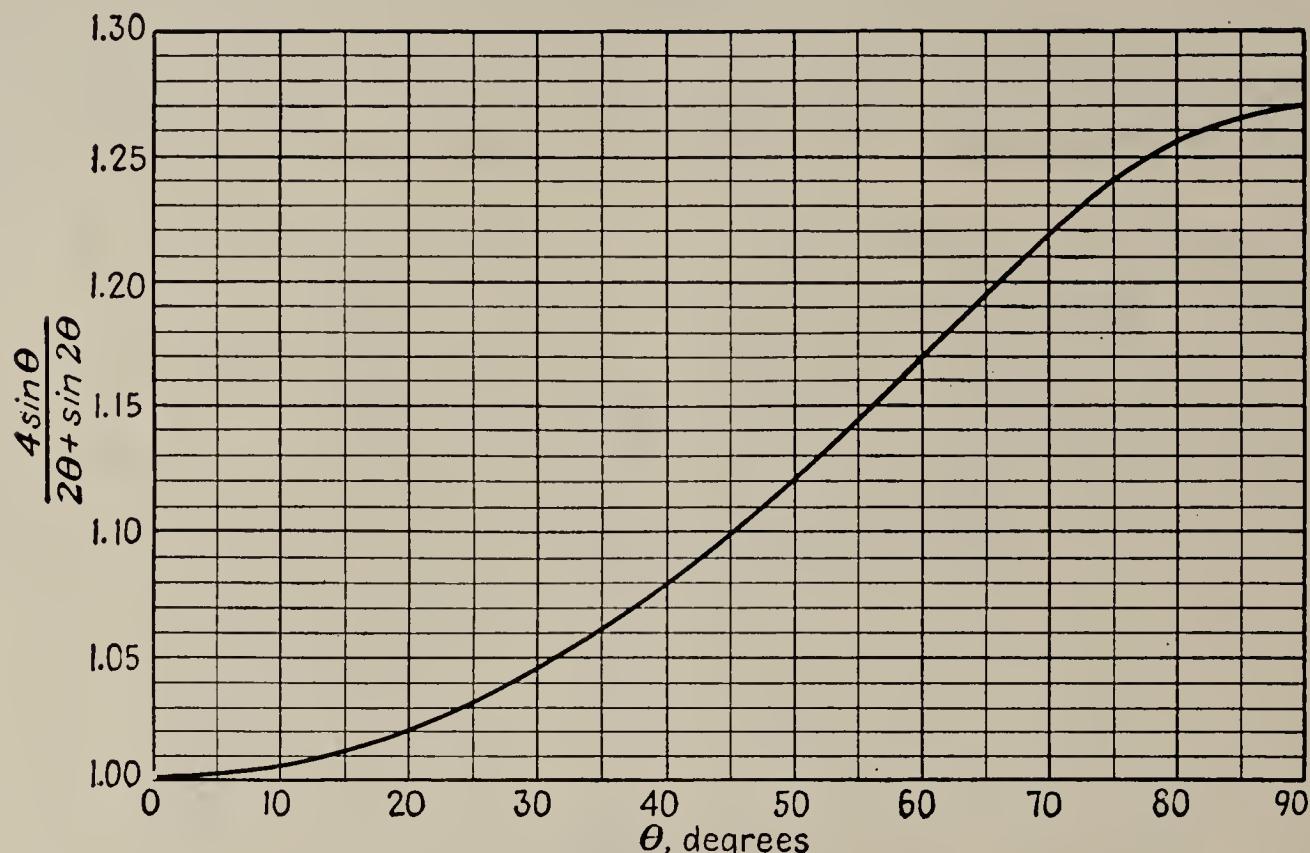


FIG. 17-10.  $4 \sin \theta / (2\theta + \sin 2\theta)$  plotted against the semiblock angle  $\theta$ .

In the above equation, the quantity  $f[(4 \sin \theta) / (2\theta + \sin 2\theta)]$  may be termed the "equivalent coefficient of friction" and denoted by  $f'$ ; hence

$$F = f'P \quad (17-7)$$

In Fig. 17-10 is shown the variation of the function  $(4 \sin \theta) / (2\theta + \sin 2\theta)$  with the angle  $\theta$ .

The forces acting on the operating lever of the single block brake in Fig. 17-8 are shown in Fig. 17-11 for counterclockwise rotation of the wheel.

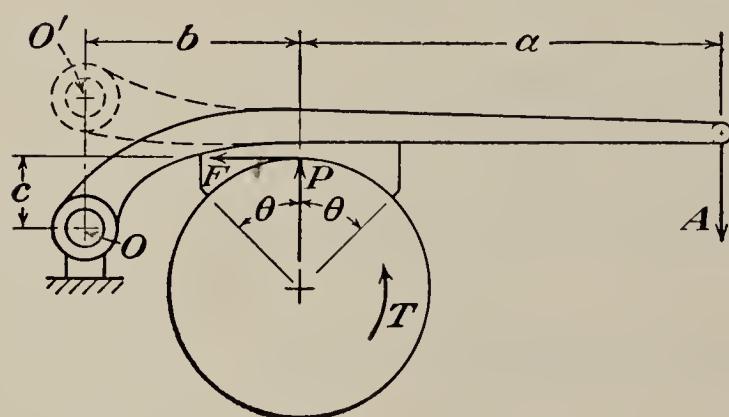


FIG. 17-11. Forces on brake lever.

For the equilibrium of moments about  $O$  of the forces acting on the lever, assuming that the resultant of the frictional forces may be assumed to be a force  $F$  acting as shown,

$$A(a + b) - Pb - Fc = 0 \quad (17-8)$$

From Eqs. (17-7) and (17-8) the equation for the torque in Fig. 17-11 becomes

$$T = \frac{f'AD(a + b)}{2(b + f'c)} \quad (17-9)$$

In Eq. (17-8), the moment  $F_c$  is in the opposite direction to the moment due to the operating force  $A$ , and hence the self-induced moment  $F_c$  retards application of the brake.

For clockwise rotation of the brake wheel in Fig. 17-11, the force  $F$  will be reversed and the moment  $F_c$  will aid the application of the brake. Hence, such a brake is known as "self-energizing." If the distance  $c$  is

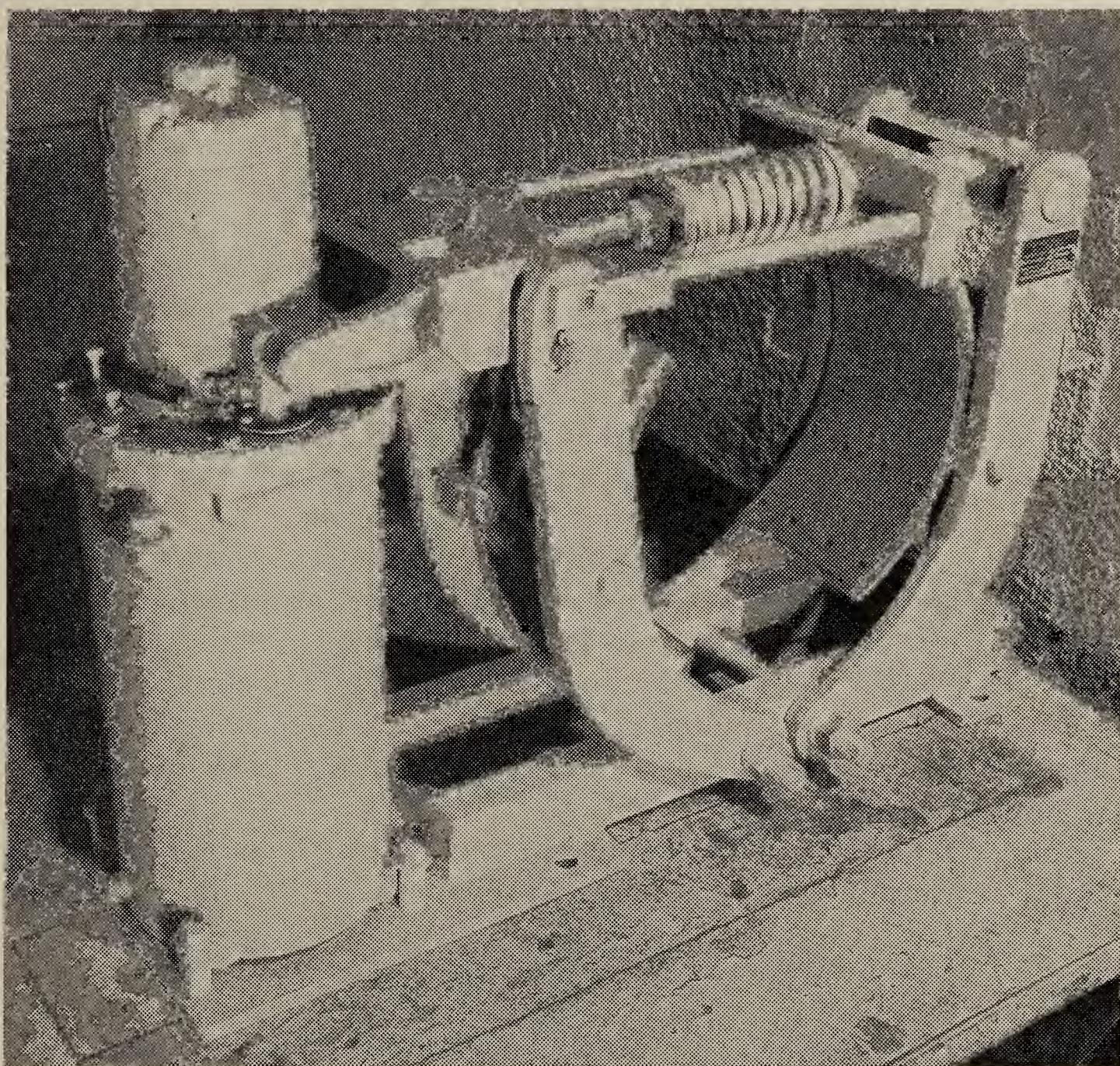


FIG. 17-12. Double-block spring-set brake. (*Courtesy of General Electric Company.*)

great enough, the moment  $F_c$  will be sufficient to apply the brake without an appreciable operating force  $A$ . This may be considered an advantage, but such a brake may "grab" and result in uncontrolled braking.

By locating the pivot point above the line of action of  $F$  (at  $O'$ ), the "self-energizing" feature will be present for counterclockwise rotation.

In Fig. 17-12 is shown one form of a double-block spring-set brake. Note that the linkage at the top of the brake between the yokes is arranged so that the compressive force of the spring pulls the yokes together and applies or "sets" the brake. The floating bell crank at

the left in rotating clockwise spreads the yokes against the spring force and releases the wheel. The brake lining is compressed woven asbestos and is fastened to the cast brake shoes by brass (nonscoring) rivets.

The brake releasing force on the bell crank is provided by a General Electric "thrustor" which is a hydraulic unit operated by the electric motor shown. This control is especially suitable for large brakes on account of its smooth operating characteristics. In smaller brakes a solenoid is suitable. Other releasing devices are magnets, torque-motor-driven screws, and hydraulic cylinders.

The brake shoes in Fig. 17-12 are pivoted on the yokes to provide uniform contact between the lining and the wheel. The tangential friction force  $f'P$  on the brake shoe introduces a moment on the shoe which makes the distribution of pressure somewhat different from the case in Fig. 17-9; however, if the moment arm is kept small by locating the pivot as near as possible to the contacting surface of the brake lining, *i.e.*, as near the line of action of the friction force, the turning moment on the shoe will be small and Eq. (17-7) may be used. Thus, the force diagram in Fig. 17-13 may be used without serious error.

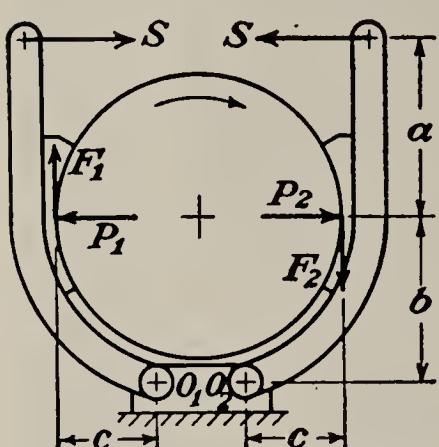


FIG. 17-13. Double-block brake.

time-delay relay is used to allow the moving parts to slow down before the brake is applied.

In Fig. 17-13, the relation between the spring force  $S$  and the torque on the brake wheel may be determined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma M_{O_1} &= S(a + b) + F_1 c - P_1 b = 0 \\ \Sigma M_{O_2} &= S(a + b) - F_2 c - P_2 b = 0\end{aligned}$$

The relation between  $F$  and  $P$  may be determined by using Eq. (17-7), or

$$\frac{F_1}{P_1} = \frac{F_2}{P_2} = f'$$

From the above equations,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  may be determined. Then

$$T = (F_1 + F_2) \frac{D}{2} \quad (17-10)$$

Because of the difference in values of  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  the wear of the two brake linings will be unequal if the drum always rotates in one direction. The unequal wear is usually not serious, since the wear is very slight in

high-quality linings, and also many brakes operate in both directions of rotation in service, which tends to equalize the wear of the linings of the two shoes. If the pivot points  $O_1$  and  $O_2$  in Fig. 17-13 are located on the lines of action of  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , the shoes will have equal wear. The effect of placing the pivot points as shown in Fig. 17-13 is that a smaller spring force is required to resist a given torque than if the pivot points were located on the lines of actions of the friction forces  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ .

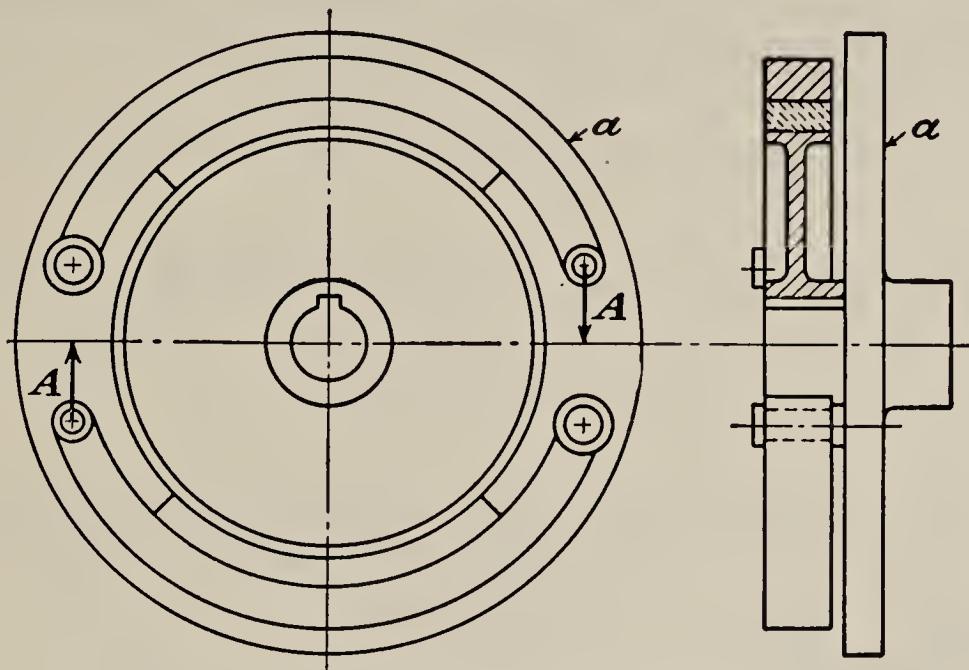


FIG. 17-14. Double-block clutch.

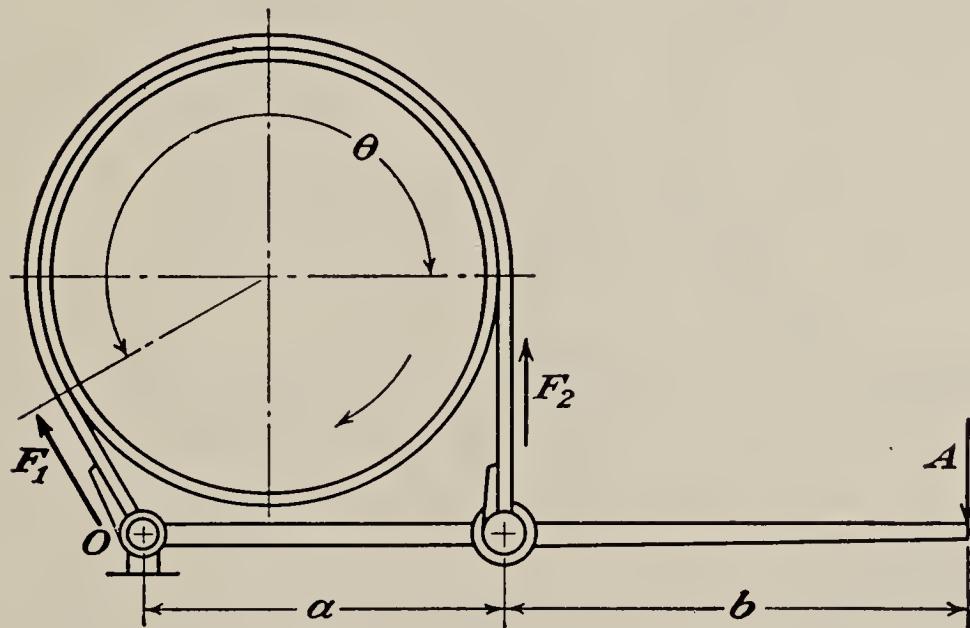


FIG. 17-15. Band brake.

**Double block clutch.** The construction of a block clutch is similar to that of a block brake except that provision must be made for rotating the blocks and for controlling the load on the blocks. A double block clutch is shown schematically in Fig. 17-14. The driving plate  $a$  carries the two pivoted levers, to each of which is attached a block. The operating forces  $A$  are applied by a suitable linkage.

**17-5 Band brakes and clutches. Band brakes.** A band brake is shown in Fig. 17-15 in which the band is tightened by means of the force

$A$  on the operating lever. This band may be made of leather, of canvas impregnated with rubber, or of a steel band faced with wood blocks.

For clockwise rotation of the wheel as shown, the tension  $F_1$  in the band attached to  $O$  will be greater than the tension  $F_2$ . The sum of the moments of the forces acting on the lever is

$$\Sigma M_o = F_1 O + F_2 a - A(a + b) = 0$$

The relation between  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  may be determined from Eq. (14-5) by deleting the centrifugal force term  $F_c$ ,

$$\frac{F_1}{F_2} = e^{f\theta}$$

The torque on the brake wheel is given by the following equation

$$T = (F_1 - F_2) \frac{D}{2}$$

From the three equations above, the relation between the force on the operating lever and the torque on the brake wheel becomes

$$A = \frac{2Ta}{D(a + b)(e^{f\theta} - 1)} \quad (17-11)$$

Band brakes have very extensive use in machinery. They are simple and dependable and are especially suitable for large and rugged installations.

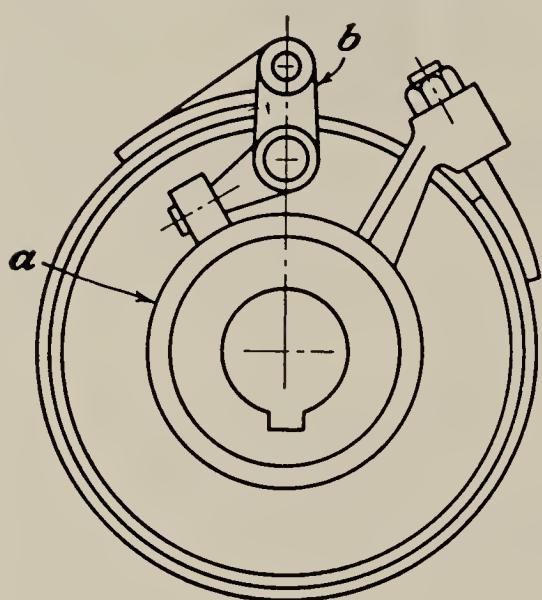


FIG. 17-16. Band clutch.  
Frequently in large, rugged equipment, such as that used for road building and field construction.

*Band clutches.* A band clutch in which a conical sleeve  $a$  in Fig. 17-16 slides on the shaft and rotates the lever  $b$  which in turn tightens the band is a type used frequently in large, rugged equipment, such as that used for road building and field construction.

*Differential band brake.* In this type of band brake, the tension in the band assists in applying the brake, as shown in Fig. 17-17. For this brake,

$$A(a + b) - aF_2 + cF_1 = 0$$

The equation may be reduced to

$$A = \frac{F_1}{a + b} = \frac{a}{e^{f\theta}} - c$$

In this equation, if the quantity  $a/e^{f\theta}$  is less than  $c$ , the brake will be self-locking for clockwise rotation of the wheel. This feature is undesir-

able in a speed-control brake because of "grabbing," but it may be used to advantage in a "backstop," which is a differential band brake used to permit rotation of a shaft in one direction but to prevent backward rotation. An application is on a drive for an inclined conveyor to prevent backward motion in case the power fails while the conveyor is loaded. The brake is placed on the motor shaft where the torque is the least and therefore requires a smaller brake than if it were placed on a lower speed shaft of the drive.

**17-6 Energy considerations in brakes.** The function of a mechanical brake is to control the speed of a machine or a moving body by transforming the mechanical energy of the moving parts into heat energy and

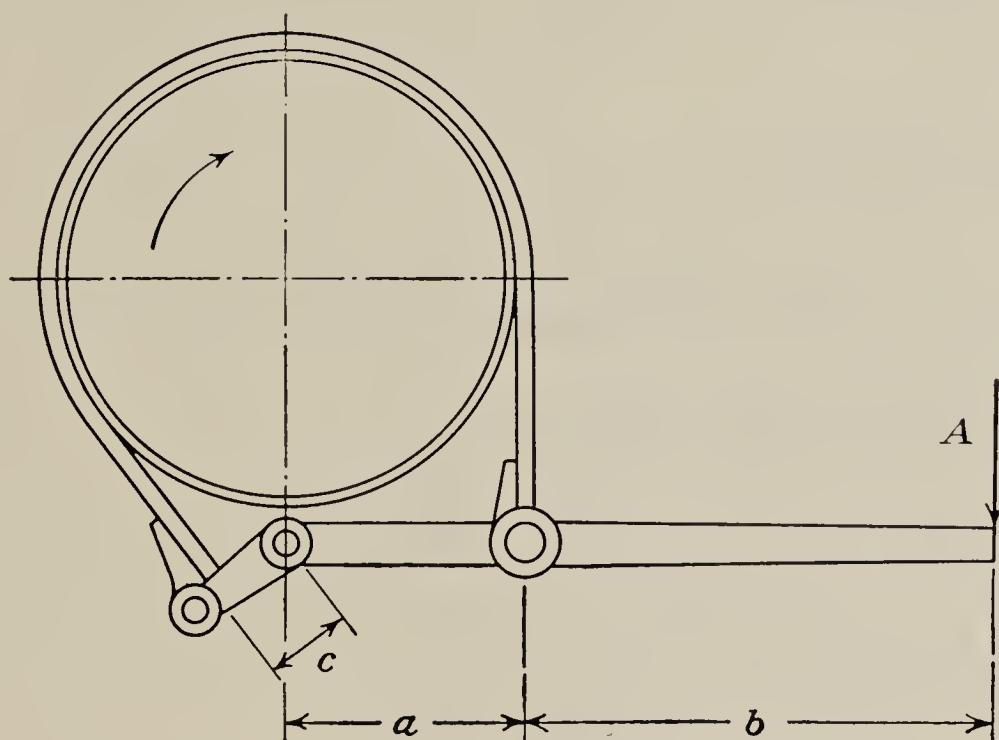


FIG. 17-17. Differential band brake.

then to dissipate this energy. In the design of a brake it is necessary to determine the amount of energy to be thus transformed and also the time allowed for a braking cycle. The latter is necessary so that the temperature rise of the brake will not be excessive.

*Energy equations.* The energy that a brake must absorb is equal to the difference between the energy given up by the moving parts and the energy losses in bearings, gears, etc. The latter energy is usually relatively small.

The equations given below apply specifically to a motor-driven hoisting drum. A cycle of hoisting and lowering a load, such as that for a traveling crane, is shown in Fig. 17-18. The exact shape of the acceleration curve  $Oa$  depends on the torque-speed characteristics of the hoisting motor. The most severe loading on the brake occurs at  $bc$  as the weight is brought to rest. The following equations may be used to determine the required torque capacity for the brake.

Let  $Q$  = weight being lowered, lb

$v$  = initial velocity of load, fps

$E_t$  = total energy to be absorbed by the brake, lb-ft

$T$  = torque on brake wheel, lb-ft

$t$  = time of application of brake, sec

$N$  = initial speed of brake wheel, rpm

$\theta$  = angle through which brake wheel turns during the time  $t$ , rad

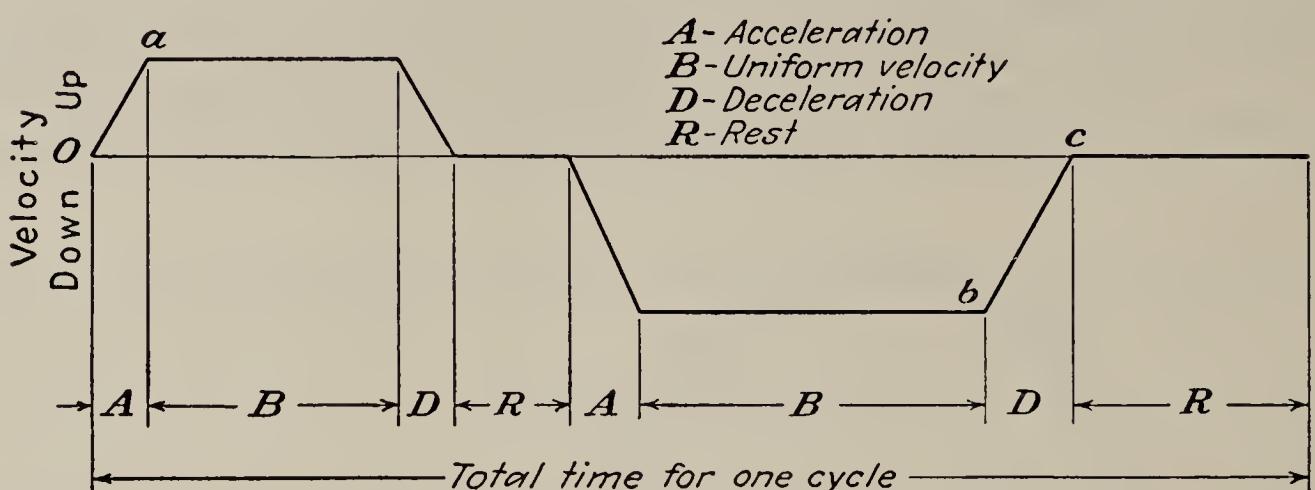


FIG. 17-18. Hoisting and lowering cycle.

The initial kinetic energy of the load is

$$E_k = \frac{Qv^2}{2g} \quad (a)$$

The change in potential energy of the load is

$$E_p = \frac{1}{2}Qvt \quad (b)$$

The initial kinetic energy of rotation of all the rotating parts, such as the drum, gears, motor rotor, etc., is

$$E_r = \frac{WR^2\omega^2}{2g} \quad (c)$$

where  $W$  = weight of each rotating part, lb

$R$  = radius of gyration of each rotating part, ft

$\omega$  = angular velocity of each rotating part, rad per sec

The sum of Eqs. (a), (b), and (c) equals the total energy to be absorbed by the brake:

$$E_t = E_k + E_p + E_r \quad (d)$$

This energy may be equated to the work done by the brake during the time of its application, or

$$E_t = T\theta \quad (e)$$

From Eq. (e),

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \frac{E_t}{\theta} = \frac{2 \times 60E_t}{2\pi Nt} \\ &= \frac{60E_t}{\pi Nt} \end{aligned} \quad (17-12)$$

*Heat dissipation.* The mechanical energy that is transformed into heat energy by a brake will raise the temperature of the brake. The temperature rise depends on the mass of the parts, on the ratio of braking time to the rest time, and on the heat-dissipation capacity of the brake. The maximum temperature should be limited to prevent rapid deterioration of the materials forming the friction surfaces. The maximum temperature should not exceed the following values:

Leather, fiber, and wood facing.....	150–160 F
Asbestos.....	200–220 F
Automotive asbestos block lining.....	400–500 F

Since the temperature rise of a brake is difficult to predict, it is usually satisfactory in the design of brakes to make use of such design coefficients as foot-pounds of energy absorbed per square inch of surface per minute. For brakes of similar construction with similar materials for the friction surfaces, the pressure on the friction surfaces may be used as a guide for satisfactory temperature conditions. Some values for coefficients of friction and allowable pressures are given in Table 17-1.

TABLE 17-1. COEFFICIENTS OF FRICTION AND ALLOWABLE PRESSURES\*

Materials in contact	Coefficient of friction			Allowable pressure, psi
	Dry	Greasy	Lubricated	
Cast iron on cast iron.....	0.2–0.15	0.10–0.06	0.10–0.05	150–250
Bronze on cast iron.....	.....	0.10–0.05	0.10–0.05	80–120
Steel on cast iron.....	0.35–0.25	0.12–0.07	0.10–0.06	120–200
Wood on cast iron.....	0.35–0.20	0.12–0.08	.....	60–90
Fiber on metal.....	.....	0.20–0.10	.....	10–40
Cork on metal.....	0.35	0.30–0.25	0.25–0.22	8–15
Leather on metal.....	0.5–0.3	0.20–0.15	0.15–0.12	10–40
Wired asbestos on metal.....	0.5–0.35	0.30–0.25	0.25–0.20	30–80
Wired asbestos on metal, short action	.....	.....	0.25–0.20	200–300
Steel on cast iron, or cast iron on cast iron, short action.....	.....	.....	0.10–0.05	200–300

\* From V. L. Maleev and J. B. Hartman, "Machine Design," International Textbook Company, Scranton, Pa., 1954.

The design coefficient mentioned above is usually expressed as the product  $pV$ , where  $p$  is in pounds per square inch and  $V$  equals the rubbing velocity, fpm.

In block brakes, the pressure is usually expressed as pounds per square inch of projected area. Recommended values of  $pV$  vary from 30,000 to 80,000, depending on conditions of service and heat dissipation.

The lower value of  $pV$  may be used for continuous operation in close surroundings and the higher value for intermittent operation in well-ventilated locations.

In the design of a block brake it is customary to assume a wheel diameter which will be in good proportion to the size of the unit to which it is connected. If the brake is to be attached to a motor shaft, it may be desirable to have the distance between the center of the brake wheel above the floor the same as the center of the motor shaft above the floor. From this dimension a reasonable diameter of brake wheel may be assumed.

After the arrangement of yokes and the location of the spring have been decided on, the spring force required to set the brake against the rated torque may be determined as well as the remaining forces on the shoes and yokes. If  $P_L$  and  $P_R$  are then determined, the width of the shoes may be calculated from the  $pV$  value. The ratio of the shoe width to the wheel diameter  $b/D$  may then be determined. This ratio is usually held between  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in well-proportioned brakes.

If the ratio is less than  $\frac{1}{4}$ , it indicates a shoe so narrow that it may not be held in good alignment against the wheel and the lining may wear unequally across the face. If  $b/D$  is higher than  $\frac{1}{2}$ , the lining may also wear unequally across the face because of the difficulty of maintaining a uniform pressure across the face because of its width; also the brake may not be in good proportion to cool properly.

If the tentative assumption of the wheel diameter yields a  $b/D$  ratio outside the limits, the wheel diameter should be changed in the second trial solution.

In case  $P_L$  and  $P_R$  are different, as is usually the case, an average value may be used in connection with the  $pV$  value. The justification of this is that the  $pV$  value is a heat criterion and, owing to the transfer of heat by the wheel from the shoe that has the larger normal force  $P$  to the shoe with the smaller force  $P$ , both shoes will operate at approximately the same temperature; hence, an average value of the normal forces may be used.

**EXAMPLE 17-1.** The proposed layout of a brake to be rated at 175 lb-ft torque at 600 rpm is shown in Fig. 17-19. The assumed drum diameter  $D$  is 8 in.; the angle of contact for each shoe is 120 deg. The coefficient of friction  $f$  may be assumed as 0.3 and for the conditions of service a  $pV$  value of 50,000 ft-lb per sq in. of projected area per minute may be assumed. Determine the spring force  $S$  required to set the brake and the width of shoes.

**SOLUTION:** Spring force: For the semiangle of contact  $\theta = 60$  deg, the function from Fig. 17-10 is 1.17; therefore

$$f' = 0.3 \times 1.17 = 0.351$$

or

$$\frac{F}{P} = 0.351 \quad \text{and} \quad P = 2.85F$$

The equation for the sum of the moments of the forces on the left-hand yoke about its pivot point  $O_L$  is

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma M_{O_L} &= 12S + 2F_L - 6P_L = 0 \\ &= 12S + 2F_L - 6 \times 2.85F_L = 0\end{aligned}$$

or

$$F_L = 0.795S$$

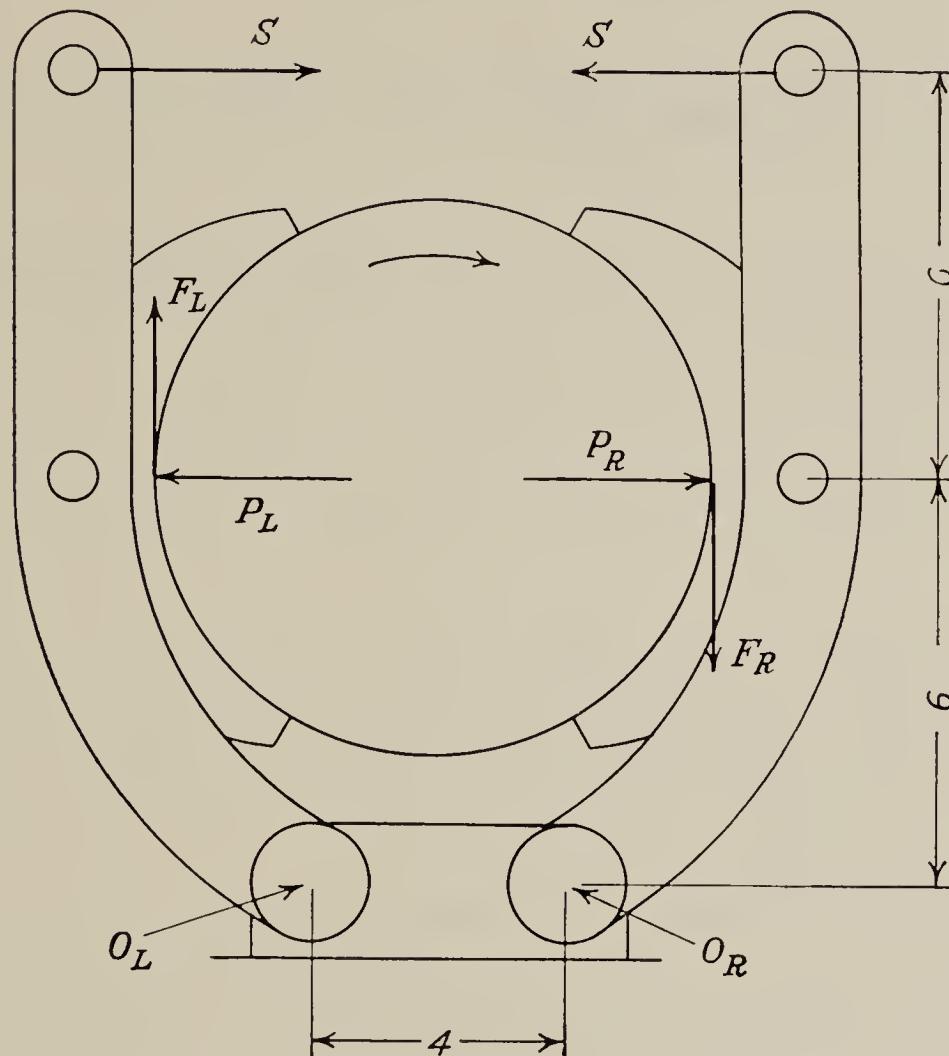


FIG. 17-19. Brake force diagram.

The corresponding equation for the right-hand yoke is

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma M_{O_R} &= 12S - 2F_R - 6P_R = 0 \\ &= 12S - 2F_R - 6 \times 2.85F_R = 0\end{aligned}$$

or

$$F_R = 0.628S$$

For the rated torque,

$$F_L + F_R = \frac{2T}{D} = \frac{2 \times 12 \times 175}{8} = 525 \text{ lb}$$

$$S(0.795 + 0.628) = 525 \quad \text{or} \quad S = 369 \text{ lb}$$

The spring force required to set the brake is 369 lb, but when the spring is compressed further to release the brake the spring force will be greater than 369 lb.

Shoe width:

$$\frac{P_L + P_R}{2} = \frac{2.85(F_L + F_R)}{2} = \frac{2.85 \times 525}{2} = 745 \text{ lb}$$

The projected bearing area for one shoe is

$$b \times 8 \sin 60 = 6.43b$$

where  $b$  is the width of the shoe.

The rubbing velocity is

$$V = \frac{\pi D \text{ rpm}}{12} = \frac{\pi \times 8 \times 600}{12} = 1,260 \text{ fpm}$$

$$pV = \frac{745 \times 1,260}{6.43b} = 50,000$$

or

$$b = \frac{745 \times 1,260}{50,000 \times 6.43} = 2.91 \quad \text{Use 3 in.}$$

$$\frac{b}{D} = \frac{3}{8} = 0.375$$

which is between the limits of  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; hence the proportions of the shoe width and wheel are satisfactory.

## CHAPTER 18

### SPUR AND PARALLEL HELICAL GEARS

**18-1 Introduction.** As defined by the AGMA, gears are machine elements that transmit motion by means of successively engaging teeth. The gear drive is therefore positive, which gives it an advantage over friction drives, such as friction wheels and belts.

The first gears had cast teeth and in their day were satisfactory. Modern requirements for greater loads and higher speeds have demanded improvements, however, in tooth forms, cutting methods, materials, and heat-treatment. Progress by the gearing industry is illustrated by the performance of railway-motor gears, which operate under severe loading and adverse lubrication conditions for more than  $1\frac{1}{2}$  million miles with negligible wear.

In the design of gears for industrial service, some important items that must be considered are quietness and smoothness of operation, available gear-cutting equipment, strength of the teeth under static-loading and under dynamic loading, and satisfactory life. The latter is affected by wear.

In this treatment, the general relations of the above considerations to the design of gearing are discussed.

**18-2 Spur gearing. General characteristics.** (a) The drive is positive and, with circular gears, the angular velocity ratio is constant. (b) The center distance may be relatively short, thus making a compact drive. (c) Provision may be made for shifting gears and in some cases for interchanging them to change the speed of the driven member. (d) The efficiency is high, since the loss of power may be 1 per cent or less of the power transmitted. (e) The maintenance of the drive is inexpensive and the life is long.

*Spur-gear terminology.* Spur gears have cylindrical pitch surfaces and operate on parallel axes, and the teeth are straight and parallel to the axis. The terms most frequently used in spur gearing are given here for reference (see Fig. 18-1). For a complete discussion, see references on kinematics of gearing.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> C. W. Ham and E. J. Crane, "Mechanics of Machinery," 3d ed., McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1948; Gear Nomenclature, AGMA Standard 112.02, 1948.

The *pitch surface* is the surface of the rolling cylinder that the gear may be considered to replace.

The *pitch circle* is a right section of the pitch surface.

The *addendum circle* is the circle bounding the ends of the teeth.

The *dedendum circle* is the circle bounding the bottom of the spaces between the teeth.

The *addendum* is the radial distance between the addendum circle and the pitch circle.

The *dedendum* is the radial distance between the pitch circle and the dedendum circle.

*Clearance* is the difference between the dedendum of one gear and the addendum of the mating gear.

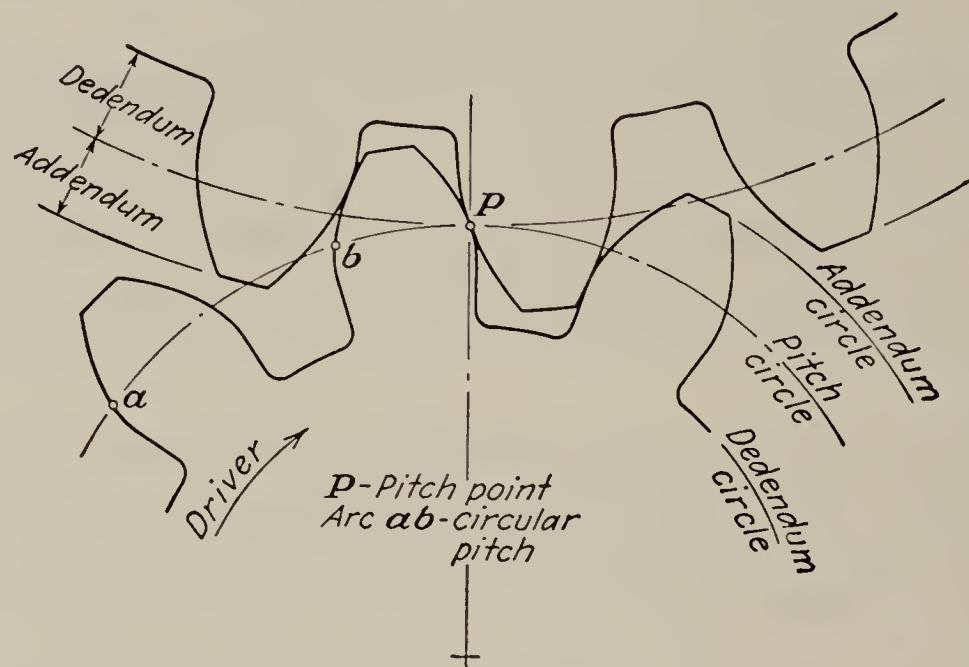


FIG. 18-1. Gear nomenclature.

*Backlash* is the difference between the tooth space of one gear and the tooth thickness of the mating gear measured on the pitch circle.

*Circular pitch* is the distance from a point on one tooth to the corresponding point on the adjacent tooth measured on the pitch circle. Its symbol is  $p$ ; the units are inches.

*Diametral pitch* is the number of teeth on a gear per inch of its pitch diameter.<sup>1</sup> Its symbol is  $P$ .

Note that the product of the circular pitch and the diametral pitch equals  $\pi$ , i.e.,  $pP = \pi$ .

*Tooth forms.* It is important that a satisfactory tooth form be chosen for each application. In general, quietness is favored by the low-pressure-angle form, but they are weaker than the high-pressure-angle ones. Common tooth forms are the following:

<sup>1</sup> Frequently the term "pitch" is used. This should be understood to mean "diametral pitch."

1. AGMA 14½-deg, full depth; quiet running; less than 30 teeth are undercut, but from 24 to 30 may be used
2. AGMA standard 20-deg, full depth; stronger than (1) and as low as 16 teeth without undercutting
3. AGMA standard 20-deg, stub; stronger than (2) and as low as 14 teeth without undercutting
4. Long and short addendum, 14½-deg, full depth; for less than 30 teeth, stronger than (1), quiet running but not interchangeable
5. Long and short addendum, 20-deg, full depth; stronger than (4); for less than 16 teeth; noninterchangeable
6. AGMA standard composite 14½-deg; may be cut with milling cutters
7. Fellows standard 20-deg stub

*Design considerations.* The specifications for a gear drive generally include (a) the horsepower to be transmitted, (b) the speed of the driving gear, and (c) the speed of the driven gear or the velocity ratio. Frequently the center distance is specified. The usual drive requires a speed *reduction*, for example 2 to 1, which means that the speed of the driving gear is twice that of the driven gear. The reason that most drives are reductions rather than increases is that the usual sources of power, *i.e.*, motors, turbines, and high-speed engines, operate at speeds higher than those required by driven units, such as machine tools, pumping or blowing equipment, transportation and propulsion machinery, or conveying equipment. Occasionally, however, speed increases are required.

In the design of a gear drive there are several requirements that must be met, as follows: (a) The gear teeth should have sufficient strength so that they will not fail under static loading, such as that at high starting torques, or under dynamic loading during normal running conditions. (b) The teeth should have good wear characteristics so that their life will be satisfactory. (c) The use of space and material should be economical. (d) The alignment of the gears and deflections of the shafts must be considered because of their effect on the performance of the gears. (e) The lubrication of the gears must be satisfactory. The above general requirements indicate that the final specifications for gears involve many interrelated factors. Compromises are usually necessary in order to secure a desirable balance between good service and minimum cost.

**18-3 Strength of gear teeth—Lewis equation.** The determination of the maximum stresses in a loaded gear tooth is complicated by the variation in magnitude and direction of the load on the tooth during contact and by the shape of the tooth, since it has varying width and is joined to the body of the gear by a fillet. At the first point of contact, the load  $W_n$  in Fig. 18-2 acts normal to the profile of the tooth in accordance with the fundamental law of gear-tooth action. This normal load may be

resolved into tangential and radial components; the tangential component producing a bending moment on the tooth, and the radial component inducing compressive stresses on sections across the tooth. Owing to the radial component being eccentric to the center line of the tooth, the compressive stress is not uniformly distributed across the tooth.

As the point of contact moves along the profile, the magnitude of  $W_n$  changes as well as the moment arm of the bending force. Furthermore, along the line of contact, the number of pairs of teeth which share the transmitted load may vary according to the contact ratio. Finally, because of inaccuracies of tooth spacing and tooth form and because of deflection of the tooth under load, dynamic forces may be induced.

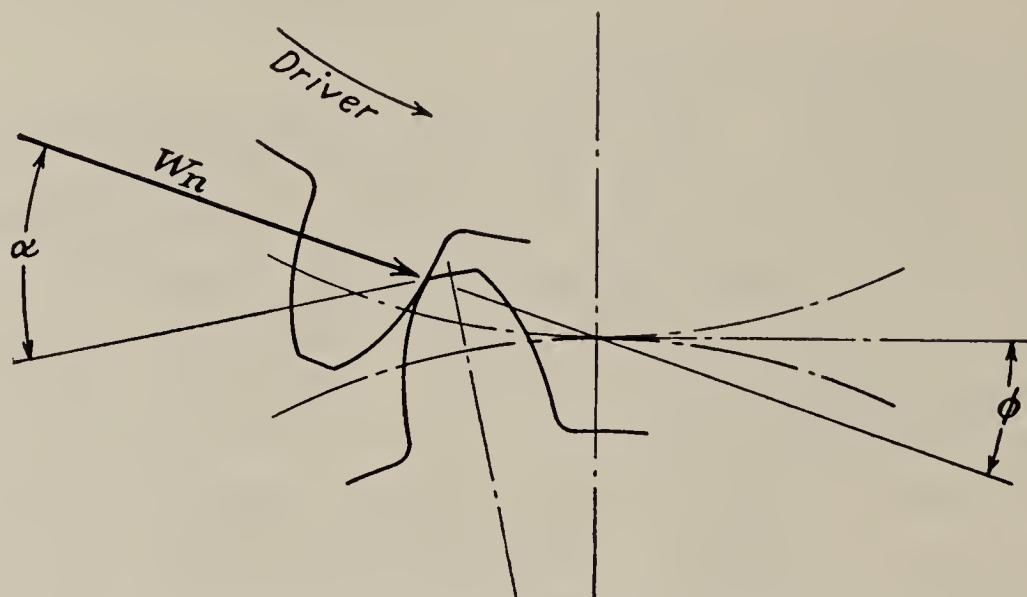


FIG. 18-2. Gear teeth at beginning of contact.

These dynamic forces are cyclic and may in some cases be larger than the steady force which transmits power.

As to the gear tooth itself, it is not a simple cantilever because of its stubbiness and nonuniformity of width. Also stress concentration at the fillets enters the scene.

It can readily be appreciated from the above situation that the maximum stresses in an existing gear tooth are difficult to determine. The designer of gears has also to consider that at the beginning of a design, the sizes of the gears and the teeth are not usually established so it becomes necessary to approach the design of gears in a somewhat indirect manner.

It should be appreciated in addition that fracture of gear teeth is not the only mode of failure to be considered, but that wear of the teeth is also a criterion; in fact more gears fail by wearing of the teeth than by fracture.

In 1892, Wilfred Lewis made simplifying assumptions<sup>1</sup> regarding the strength of gear teeth which resulted in an equation which has been used extensively by industry in determining the size and proportions of gears.

<sup>1</sup> Wilfred Lewis, Investigation of the Strength of Gear Teeth, Engineers' Club of Philadelphia, 1892.

In this investigation, Lewis assumed that the worst position of loading of the tooth occurred at the first point of contact and that one pair of mating teeth carried the entire load. As shown in Fig. 18-3, the normal load  $W_n$  was translated to the center line of the tooth and then resolved into a radial component  $W_r$  and a tangential component  $W$ . The tangential component  $W$  produces a bending moment on the tooth. In addition, the radial component  $W_r$  was neglected.

Lewis then assumed that the gear tooth could be regarded as a cantilever and made use of the principle that a beam of parabolic outline is one of uniform strength at all sections. He then inscribed within the tooth a parabolic outline drawn through  $o$  and tangent to the tooth profile at the fillets. Since the actual tooth is stronger than the parabolic

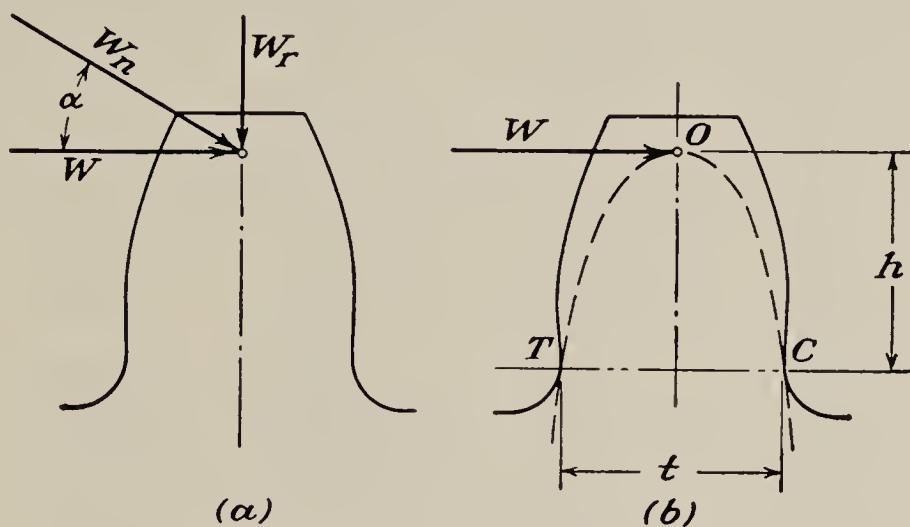


FIG. 18-3. Forces on gear teeth.

beam at every section except  $TC$ , this is the critical section of the tooth and the flexure formula may be applied to establish a relation between the load  $W$  and the stress of this section.

The equation for  $W$  will be used here as a basis for determining the proportions of gear teeth. After the proportions are established, the Buckingham equations will be used for determining the hardness for fatigue-strength and wear requirements.

Using the face width of the gear as  $F$  in Fig. 18-3(b),

$$Wh = \frac{sFt^2}{6} \quad (18-1)$$

from which

$$W = \frac{sFt^2}{6h}$$

The circular pitch may be introduced as follows:

$$W = \frac{sFt^2p}{6hp} = sFpy \quad (18-2)$$

where

$$y = \frac{t^2}{6hp}$$

The quantity  $y$  is known as the "form factor." To determine its value,  $t$ ,  $h$ , and  $p$  may be determined analytically or scaled from a drawing similar to Fig. 18-3(b). Note that if the gear is enlarged, the distances  $t$ ,  $h$ , and  $p$  will each be increased proportionally; hence the value of  $y$  will remain unchanged. The value of  $y$  then is independent of the size of the tooth and depends only on the number of teeth on a gear and the system

TABLE 18-1. LEWIS FORM FACTORS  $y$

Number of teeth	External gears			Internal gears	
	14½-deg composite system $a = 1/P^*$	20-deg full-depth system $a = 1/P$	20-deg stub system $a = 0.80/P$	20-deg full-depth system	
		Pinion $a = 1/P$	Internal gear $a = 1/P$		
10	0.055	0.064	0.088	0.103	
11	0.062	0.072	0.093	0.104	
12	0.067	0.078	0.099	0.104	
13	0.071	0.083	0.103	0.104	
14	0.075	0.088	0.108	0.105	
15	0.078	0.092	0.111	0.105	
16	0.081	0.094	0.115	0.106	
17	0.084	0.096	0.117	0.109	
18	0.086	0.098	0.120	0.111	
19	0.088	0.100	0.123	0.114	
20	0.090	0.102	0.125	0.116	
21	0.092	0.104	0.127	0.118	
22	0.093	0.105	0.129	0.119	
24	0.095	0.107	0.132	0.122	
26	0.098	0.110	0.135	0.125	
28	0.100	0.112	0.137	0.127	0.220
30	0.101	0.114	0.139	0.129	0.216
34	0.104	0.118	0.142	0.132	0.210
38	0.106	0.122	0.145	0.135	0.205
43	0.108	0.126	0.147	0.137	0.200
50	0.110	0.130	0.151	0.139	0.195
60	0.113	0.134	0.154	0.142	0.190
75	0.115	0.138	0.158	0.144	0.185
100	0.117	0.142	0.161	0.147	0.180
150	0.119	0.146	0.165	0.149	0.175
300	0.122	0.150	0.170	0.152	0.170
Rack	0.124	0.154	0.175		

\*  $a$  = addendum;  $P$  = diametral pitch.

of the teeth. A convenient method for determining the value of  $y$  for a given tooth profile is discussed by M. A. Durland (see Appendix XII). Values for some standard tooth forms are given in Table 18-1.

The value of  $W$  in Eq. (18-2) may be used as the torque on a gear divided by its pitch radius. This gives a value somewhat greater than  $W$  in Fig. 18-3, but the difference is relatively small for gears of usual proportions.

In deriving Eq. (18-1), it was assumed that the load was uniformly distributed across the face of the gear. The actual distribution in service depends on the accuracy of cut of the gears, on the initial alignment and on the deflections of the tooth, on the shafting, and on the bearings.<sup>1</sup> For ordinary industrial installations, the face width  $F$  is usually made from two to five, or preferably, between three to four times the circular pitch for spur gears.

An extensive investigation of a wide variety of industrial gears that have behaved satisfactorily in service was made by the use of the Lewis equation and values for the allowable stress determined (see Table 18-2).

TABLE 18-2. VALUES OF BASIC STRESS FOR GEARS

Material	$s_o$ , psi
Cast iron, ordinary.....	8,000
Cast iron, medium grade.....	10,000
Cast iron, highest grade.....	15,000
Cast steel, 0.20% C untreated.....	20,000
Cast steel, 0.20% C heat-treated.....	28,000
Forged carbon steel	
SAE 1020 casehardened.....	18,000
SAE 1030 untreated.....	20,000
SAE 1035 untreated.....	23,000
SAE 1040 untreated.....	25,000
SAE 1045 untreated.....	30,000
SAE 1045 heat-treated.....	30,000
SAE 1050 heat-treated.....	35,000
Alloy steel	
SAE 2320 casehardened.....	50,000
SAE 3245 heat-treated.....	65,000
SAE 6145 heat-treated.....	67,500
Bronze SAE 62.....	10,000
Phosphor bronze SAE 65.....	12,000
Meehanite metal, grade GA.....	12,500
Rawhide, fabroil.....	6,000
Bakelite, Micarta, celoron.....	8,000

If these allowable stresses are in turn used with the Lewis equation to design similar industrial gears, the resulting gear should have the size and proportion to behave satisfactorily in service.

<sup>1</sup> See Poritsky, Sutton, and Pernick, Distribution of Load along a Pinion, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 67, p. A-78, 1945.

As to dynamic stresses and wear, these can be allowed for by alterations of the composition of the material and its heat-treatment.

Thus, the sins committed in the assumptions for the derivation of the Lewis equation affect the allowable stress, and in using these allowable stresses in similar designs, the sins are neutralized, and thus the designer may establish a pair of gears of reasonable size and proportions.

The gears may then be investigated for dynamic loads, wear of the teeth, AGMA ratings, and other criteria, as discussed later in this chapter. While most of these equations are relatively easy to apply to an existing set of gears, they are not of such form that they can readily be used for direct design. The Lewis equation in its original form, or modified for a

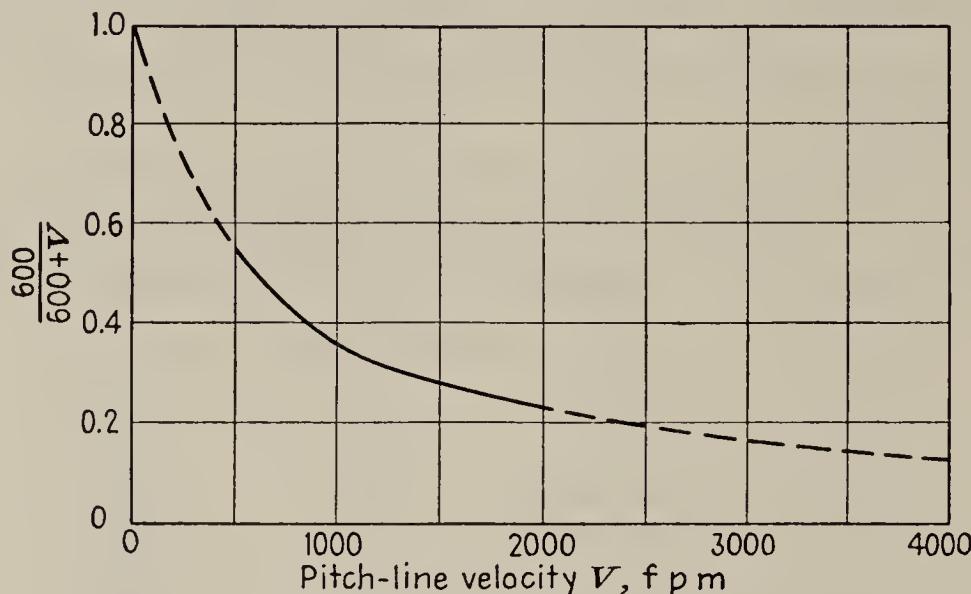


FIG. 18-4. Velocity factor.

special class of gears or service, is a most helpful aid in this phase of gear design.

The value of the allowable stress in gear design depends of course on the material for which a basic stress  $s_o$  may be determined. In order to make allowance for the dynamic effects due to the velocity of tooth action, the Barth equation may be used, *i.e.*,

$$s_{all} = s_o C_v \quad (18-3)$$

where  $s_{all}$  = allowable stress, psi

$s_o$  = basic stress, psi (see Table 18-2)

$C_v$  = velocity factor =  $600/(600 + V)$  for spur gears

$V$  = pitch-line velocity, fpm

The variation of the velocity factor with the pitch-line velocity is shown in Fig. 18-4. The solid line shows the usual range for spur gears.

There are other velocity factors which are frequently used and which like the Barth equation are arbitrary. They are not given here, since the Lewis equation will be used only to determine the proportions of gears, *i.e.*, diametral pitch, pitch diameters, and face, for sufficient *strength*, and Eq. (18-3) is satisfactory for that purpose.

A shortcoming of the velocity factor as given is that it does not take into account the fact that the pinion teeth are loaded a greater number of times than the gear teeth. The number of cycles is important in regard to the endurance limit. A method for considering the relative number of cycles has been proposed by Merritt.<sup>1</sup> This method includes the influence of the number of hours per day of service but does not include the effect of velocity.

In the design of a gear drive, Eq. (18-2) may be used as such, but a solution by trial is necessary. The equation may be placed in more convenient forms for design purposes by introducing the diametral pitch  $P$ . Solving Eq. (18-2) for the induced stress gives

$$s_{ind} = \frac{W}{Fpy} \quad (18-4)$$

Let  $T$  = torque to be transmitted, lb-in.

$D$  = pitch diameter, in.

$n$  = number of teeth

$P$  = diametral pitch

$k = \frac{F}{p} = 3$  to 4 for ordinary service

Substituting for  $F$  and  $p$  in Eq. (18-4) gives

$$s_{ind} = \frac{WP^2}{k\pi^2 y} \quad (18-5)$$

Equation (18-5) is a convenient form of the Lewis equation for the solution of problems in which the center distance and the velocity ratio are specified.

In many designs, the center distance is not specified, and Eq. (18-5) may be further transformed by substituting for  $W$ , as follows:

$$W = \frac{2T}{D} = \frac{2TP}{n}$$

Hence, Eq. (18-5) becomes

$$s_{ind} = \frac{2TP^3}{k\pi^2 ny} \quad (18-6)$$

Equation (18-6) is a convenient form of the Lewis equation for the solution of problems in which the center distance is not specified. Since there is not a unique solution, the final design will depend on the initial assumptions. The quantities to assume should be those for which judgment is most easily exercised. For this reason the number of teeth on

<sup>1</sup> H. E. Merritt, "Gears," p. 254, Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Ltd., London, 1943.

the pinion is a desirable quantity to assume since it affects quietness of operation markedly. By using an average value of  $k$  equal to 3.5, the induced stress can be expressed in terms of the diametral pitch. Then by comparison with Eq. (18-3), a probable diametral pitch may be established. This procedure is shown by the example below.

Values for common diametral pitches are given in Table 18-3.

TABLE 18-3. COMMON STANDARD DIAMETRAL PITCHES

1	2	5	9	16
$1\frac{1}{4}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	6	10	18
$1\frac{1}{2}$	3	7	12	20
$1\frac{3}{4}$	4	8	14	24

If the gear is to be keyed to a shaft, the maximum permissible bore should be investigated. An equation for this purpose was determined by photoelastic means and has given satisfactory results:<sup>1</sup>

$$d = D(0.50 + 0.0344 \sqrt{n - 12}) \quad (18-7)$$

where  $d$  = maximum permissible bore

$D$  = pitch diameter

$n$  = number of teeth

The equation allows for a standard square key with the center line of the keyway in line with the center line of a tooth space. This is the best location for the keyway. In addition it applies to gears having 12 to 24 teeth. For gears having more than 24 teeth, use  $n$  equal to 24 in the equation.

EXAMPLE 18-1. It is required to determine the proportions of a spur-gear drive to transmit 10 hp from a shaft rotating at 1,170 rpm to a low-speed shaft with a speed reduction of 3 to 1. Assume that the teeth are 20-deg stub system with 24 teeth on the pinion. The pinion is to be SAE 1045 and the gear SAE 1030 steel. Assume that the torque at starting is 150 per cent of torque at rating.

SOLUTION: To determine whether the pinion teeth or the gear teeth are weaker, a consideration of Eqs. (18-2) and (18-3) shows that the product  $s_o y$  for the pinion and gear determines the relative strength.

	$s_o$	$n$	$y$	$s_o y$
Pinion . .	30,000	24	0.132	3,960
Gear . . .	20,000	72	0.158	3,160

The values of  $s_o y$  show that the gear is the weaker, and hence will be the basis for the design. Using 150 per cent rating,

<sup>1</sup> P. H. Black, An Investigation of Relative Stresses in Solid Spur Gears by the Photoelastic Method, *Univ. Illinois Eng. Expt. Sta. Bull.* 288, 1936.

$$T_G = \frac{63,030 \text{ hp}}{\text{rpm}} = \frac{63,030 \times 10 \times 1.5}{1,170/3} = 2.425 \text{ lb-in.}$$

$$s_{ind} = \frac{2TP^3}{k\pi^2 ny} = \frac{2 \times 2,425P^3}{3.5\pi^2 \times 72 \times 0.158} = 12.35P^3$$

Now

$$s_{all} = s_o \frac{600}{600 + V} = 20,000 \frac{600}{600 + V}$$

In the above two equations there are two unknowns, the diametral pitch  $P$  and the pitch-line velocity  $V$ . From the above equation for the induced stress

$$\begin{aligned} s_{ind} &= 4,240 \text{ for } P = 7 \\ &= 6,330 \text{ for } P = 8 \\ &= 9,000 \text{ for } P = 9 \end{aligned}$$

Note from Fig. 18-4 that the velocity factor varies from 0.5 to 0.2 for the usual range of spur-gear pitch-line velocities. By using tentatively an average value of, say,  $\frac{1}{3}$  for  $C_v$ , then the tentative allowable stress will be approximately  $\frac{1}{3} \times 20,000$ , or say 7,000 psi. By comparison with the above values for the induced stress, it is seen that the diametral pitch may be 8 or 9. Using a trial value of  $P$  equal to 9, then  $D = 2.67$  in.

$$V = \frac{\pi D \text{ rpm}}{12} = \frac{\pi \times 2.67 \times 1,170}{12} = 816 \text{ fpm}$$

$$s_{all} = s_o \frac{600}{600 + V} = 20,000 \frac{600}{600 + 816} = 8,480 \text{ psi}$$

Thus  $P = 9$  may be satisfactory, since the induced stress is near the allowable stress. The computed face width equals

$$kp = k \frac{\pi}{P} = 3.5 \frac{\pi}{9} = 1.22 \text{ in.}$$

This face width may now be altered in order to reduce the induced stress to the allowable stress, as follows:

$$1.22 \frac{s_{ind}}{s_{all}} = 1.22 \frac{9,000}{8,480} = 1.29 \text{ in.}$$

To use a commercial dimension,  $F = 1\frac{1}{4}$  in. would be satisfactory.

Note that the computed face width may be decreased by the ratio  $s_{ind}/s_{all}$  in case the induced stress is less than the allowable stress. In any event, the face width should not be less than  $3p$  or greater than  $4p$ .

Results:

$$\begin{aligned} D_P &= 2.67 \text{ in.} \\ D_G &= 8.00 \text{ in.} \\ F &= 1.25 \text{ in.} \\ \text{Center distance} &= 5.33 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

**18-4 Strength of gear teeth—Buckingham equation.** In the preceding article the velocity factor was used to make approximate allowance for the effects of dynamic loading. The dynamic loads are due to (a) inaccuracies of tooth spacing, (b) irregularities in tooth profiles, and (c) deflections of the teeth under load.

A closer approximation to actual conditions may be made by the use of equations based on an extensive series of tests,<sup>1</sup> as follows:

$$W_d = W \pm W_i \quad (18-8)$$

where  $W_d$  = the total dynamic load

$W$  = steady load due to transmitted torque

$W_i$  = increment load due to dynamic action

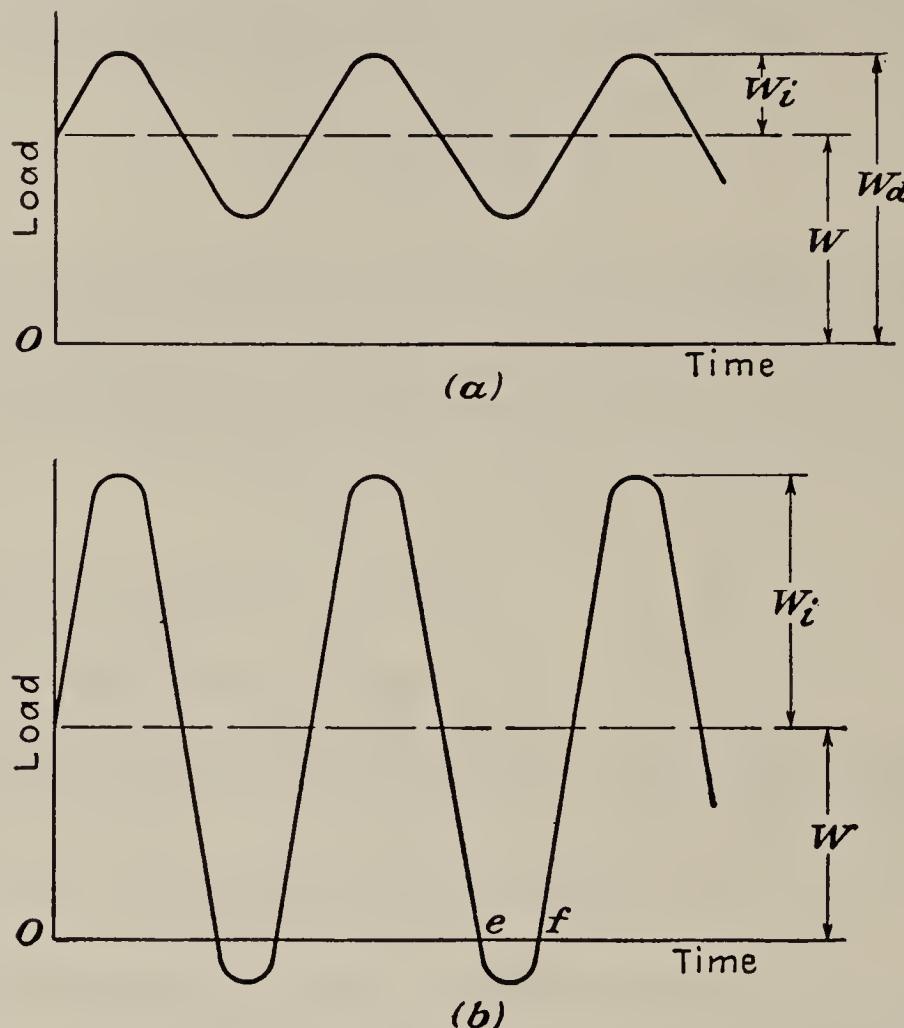


FIG. 18-5. Dynamic loads on gear teeth.

In Fig. 18-5(a) there is shown a representation of Eq. (18-8), where  $W_i$  is shown as a cyclic load. In many cases, the value of  $W_i$  is greater than  $W$  as shown at (b) in the figure where  $e-f$  indicates that the teeth separate.

The increment load  $W_i$  depends on the pitch-line velocity, the face width, the material of the gears, the accuracy of cut, and the tangential load  $W$ . For average conditions of mass of the gears and connected parts, the following equation applies:

$$W_d = W + \frac{0.05V(FC + W)}{0.05V + \sqrt{FC + W}} \quad (18-9)$$

where  $W_d$  = maximum dynamic load, lb

$W$  = steady transmitted load, lb

$V$  = pitch-line velocity, fpm

<sup>1</sup> See the manual of gear design, "Design Loads on Gear Teeth," by Earle Buckingham, The Industrial Press, New York, 1931.

$F$  = width of face of gears, in.

$C$  = deformation factor (Table 18-6)

The value of the deformation factor  $C$  depends on the error in action between teeth, the class of cut of the gears, the tooth form, and the material of the gears.

"Error in action" refers to the maximum deviation of the actual tooth profile from the ideal profile. The deviation is due to inaccuracies in cutting the profiles and in spacing of the teeth, and also the deflections of the teeth under load. Tables 18-4 and 18-5 may be used to estimate the maximum error in action. The values of the deformation factor  $C$  may be determined from Table 18-6. These tables are taken from the manual of gear design, as cited, and apply to gears having average conditions of mass, elasticity, accuracy, and pitch-line velocity.

TABLE 18-4. MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE ERROR IN ACTION BETWEEN GEARS

$V$	Error	$V$	Error	$V$	Error
250	0.0037	1,750	0.0017	3,250	0.0008
500	0.0032	2,000	0.0015	3,500	0.0007
750	0.0028	2,250	0.0013	4,000	0.0006
1,000	0.0024	2,500	0.0012	4,500	0.0006
1,250	0.0021	2,750	0.0010	5,000 and over	0.0005
1,500	0.0019	3,000	0.0009		

TABLE 18-5. MAXIMUM EXPECTED ERROR IN ACTION BETWEEN GEARS

Diametral pitch $P$	Class 1 *	Class 2 †	Class 3 ‡
1	0.0048	0.0024	0.0012
2	0.0040	0.0020	0.0010
3	0.0032	0.0016	0.0008
4	0.0026	0.0013	0.0007
5	0.0022	0.0011	0.0006
6 and finer	0.0020	0.0010	0.0005

\* Class 1—well-cut commercial gears.

† Class 2—gears cut with great care.

‡ Class 3—ground and lapped gears.

If the dynamic load as determined above is substituted in Eq. (18-2), the calculated stress should not exceed the flexural endurance limit  $s_{ef}$ . To provide a margin of safety, the factor  $f$  should be introduced:

$$s_{ef} = \frac{fW_d}{Fpy} \quad (18-10)$$

The factor  $f$  has the following values:

- $f = 1.25$  for steady loads
- $= 1.35$  for pulsating loads
- $= 1.50$  for shock loads

Values of flexural endurance limits are given in Table 18-7.

TABLE 18-6. VALUES OF DEFORMATION FACTOR *C*

Materials, pinion and gear	Tooth form	Error in action, in.					
		0.0005	0.001	0.002	0.003	0.004	0.005
Cast iron and cast iron Steel and cast iron Steel and steel	14½ deg	400	800	1,600	2,400	3,200	4,000
		550	1,100	2,200	3,300	4,400	5,500
		800	1,600	3,200	4,800	6,400	8,000
Cast iron and cast iron Steel and cast iron Steel and steel	20 deg full depth	415	830	1,660	2,490	3,320	4,150
		570	1,140	2,280	3,420	4,560	5,700
		830	1,660	3,320	4,980	6,640	8,300
Cast iron and cast iron Steel and cast iron Steel and steel	20 deg stub tooth	430	860	1,720	2,580	3,440	4,300
		590	1,180	2,360	3,540	4,720	5,900
		860	1,720	3,440	5,160	6,880	8,600

TABLE 18-7. FATIGUE LIMITS OF GEAR MATERIALS

Material	BHN	Flexural endurance limit $s_{ef}$	Surface endurance limit $s_{es}$
Gray cast iron.....	160	12,000	90,000
Semisteel.....	200	18,000	
Phosphor bronze....	100	24,000	
Steel.....	150	36,000	50,000
	200	50,000	70,000
	240	60,000	88,000
	280	70,000	103,000
	300	75,000	110,000
	320	80,000	118,000
	350	85,000	130,000
	360	90,000	
	400	100,000	
GA Meehanite.....	...	.....	80,000

**18-5 Wear of gear teeth—Buckingham equation.** The maximum load that gear teeth can carry without premature wear depends on the radii of curvature of the tooth profiles and on the elasticity and the surface-fatigue limits of the materials. The research work of Buckingham has led to the following equation for estimating the maximum or limiting load for satisfactory wear of gear teeth.

$$W_w = DFKQ \quad (18-11)$$

where  $W_w$  = limiting load for wear, lb

$$Q = \text{ratio factor} = \frac{2r}{r+1} \text{ (for external gears)}$$

$$= \text{ratio factor} = \frac{2r}{r-1} \text{ (for internal gears)}$$

$r$  = velocity ratio

$K$  = load-stress factor

$D$  = pitch diameter of pinion, in.

$s_{es}$  = surface endurance limit, psi

$\phi$  = pressure angle

$F$  = face width of gears, in.

$E_1, E_2$  = moduli of elasticity of materials, psi

$$K = \frac{s_{es}^2 \sin \phi}{1.4} \left( \frac{1}{E_1} + \frac{1}{E_2} \right)$$

TABLE 18-8. VALUES OF LOAD-STRESS FACTORS  $K$

Material in pinion	Bhn	Material in gear	Bhn	Surface endurance limit, $s_{es}$ in psi	$K$ , 14½-deg systems	$K$ , 20-deg systems
Steel.....	150	Steel.....	150	50,000	30	41
Steel.....	200	Steel.....	150	60,000	43	58
Steel.....	250	Steel.....	150	70,000	58	79
Steel.....	200	Steel.....	200	70,000	58	79
Steel.....	250	Steel.....	200	80,000	76	103
Steel.....	300	Steel.....	200	90,000	96	131
Steel.....	250	Steel.....	250	90,000	86	131
Steel.....	300	Steel.....	250	100,000	119	162
Steel.....	350	Steel.....	250	110,000	144	196
Steel.....	300	Steel.....	300	110,000	144	196
Steel.....	350	Steel.....	300	120,000	171	233
Steel.....	400	Steel.....	300	125,000	186	254
Steel.....	350	Steel.....	350	130,000	201	275
Steel.....	400	Steel.....	350	140,000	233	318
Steel.....	400	Steel.....	400	150,000	268	366
Steel.....	150	Cast iron.....	180	50,000	44	60
Steel.....	200	Cast iron.....	180	70,000	87	119
Steel.....	250	Cast iron.....	180	90,000	144	196
Steel.....	150	Phosphor bronze.	100	50,000	46	62
Steel.....	200	Phosphor bronze.	100	70,000	91	124
Steel.....	250	Phosphor bronze.	100	85,000	135	184
Cast iron.....	180	Cast iron.....	180	90,000	193	264
GA Meehanite.	...	GA Meehanite...	...	80,000	105	144
Steel.....	...	GA Meehanite...	...	80,000	90	123

Values of  $K$  for various tooth forms and materials are given in Table 18-8. In the wear equation, Eq. (18-11), the value of  $W_w$  should not be less than the dynamic load  $W_d$ . In gear design,  $W_d$  from Eq. (18-9) may be taken as the minimum allowable value of  $W_w$  and when used as such in Eq. (18-11) gives the minimum value of load-stress factor  $K$ . The required Brinell hardness numbers may be determined from Table 18-8.

In using the equations for static loads, dynamic loads, and wear loads, it should be realized that the results are not exact but serve for comparison between expected performance of gears being designed and that of the gears of the reported tests.

**EXAMPLE 18-2.** Determine the Bhn for the pinion and gear for the data of Example 18-1 required on the bases of (a) dynamic load and (b) wear load. Assume class 2 gears.

(a) Dynamic load:

For 150 per cent rating

$$\begin{aligned} W_d &= W + \frac{0.05V(FC + W)}{0.05V + \sqrt{FC + W}} \\ &= 606 + \frac{40.8 \times 2,756}{40.8 + 52.5} \\ &= 1,811 \text{ lb} \\ s_{ef} &= \frac{fW_d}{Fpy} \\ &= \frac{1.25 \times 1,811}{1.25 \times 0.349 \times y} \\ &= 39,200 \text{ psi for pinion} \\ &= 32,800 \text{ psi for gear} \end{aligned}$$

From Table 18-7

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Bhn for pinion} &= 175 \\ \text{Bhn for gear} &= 150 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Wear load:

For 100 per cent rating, the dynamic load  $W_d$  may be found equal to 1,544 lb.

$$K = \frac{W_w}{DFQ} = \frac{1544}{2.67 \times 1.25 \times 1.5} = 309$$

From Table 18-8, Bhn for pinion = 400  
Bhn for gear = 350

Since the latter two values are higher than are required on the endurance-limit basis, they should be specified. However, the possibility of heat-treating the pinion and gear to obtain these hardness numbers should be investigated. With the grade of steel originally specified, it would be difficult to harden either the pinion or the gear throughout, but through hardening may not be necessary. A form of surface hardening would in general be sufficient to obtain the required wear resistance.

**18-6 Parallel helical gears.** Because of gradual engagement of the teeth, helical gears run quieter than spur gears and may be operated at

Auxiliary Calculations

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \frac{33,000 \text{ hp}}{V} \\ &= \frac{33,000 \times 10 \times 1.5}{816} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 606 \text{ lb}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0.05V &= 0.05 \times 816 \\ &= 40.8 \text{ fpm} \end{aligned}$$

$$C = 1,720 \text{ for class 2 gears}$$

$$FC = 1.25 \times 1,720 = 2,150 \text{ lb}$$

$$\begin{aligned} FC + W &= 2,150 + 606 \\ &= 2,756 \text{ lb} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{FC + W} = 52.5$$

$$p = \frac{\pi}{P} = \frac{\pi}{9} = 0.349 \text{ in.}$$

$$Q = \frac{2r}{1+r} = \frac{2 \times 3}{1+3} = 1.5$$

pitch-line velocities up to 10,000 fpm and over. High pitch-line velocities mean low tooth loads, which in turn promote quietness and high efficiency.

Because of end thrust, the helix angle  $\psi$  (see Fig. 18-6) is usually limited in single-helical gears to 15 deg. For smooth operation, one end of a tooth should be advanced a distance over the other end by a distance at

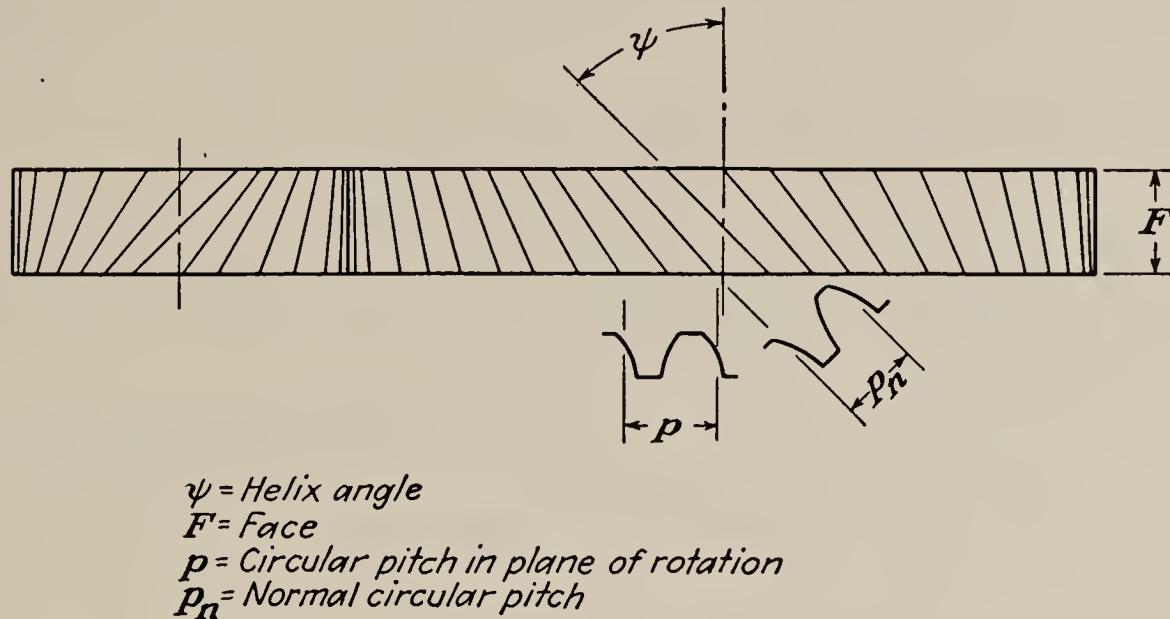


FIG. 18-6. Parallel helical gears.

least equal to the circular pitch, that is, at least equal to  $p/\tan \psi$  in Fig. 18-6. The AGMA specifies a minimum overlap of 15 per cent by stating that the face width of a single helical gear shall be at least  $1.15p/\tan \psi$ .

When helical gears of opposite hand are mounted in pairs on a shaft, or when herringbone gears are used, the axial loads are balanced, and

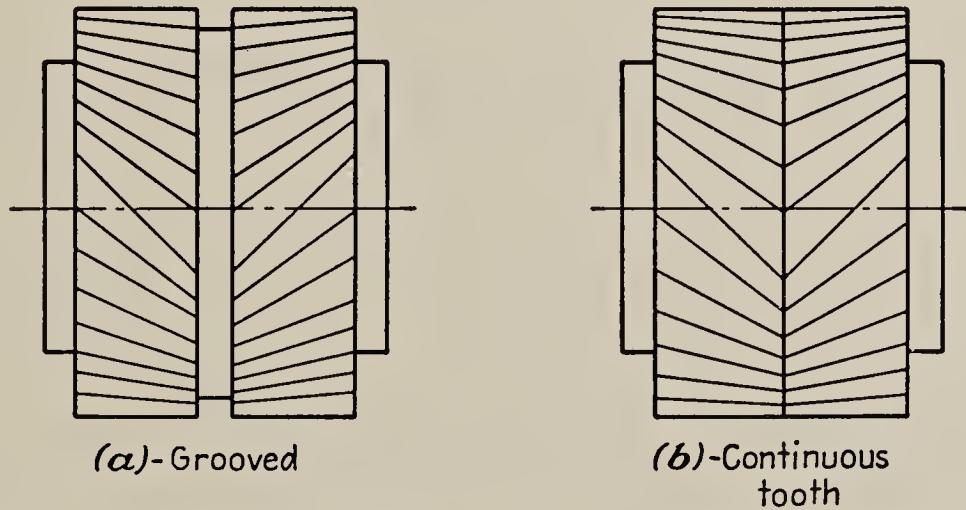


FIG. 18-7. Herringbone gears.

hence larger helix angles may be used to secure greater pitch overlap and the accompanying increase in quietness and strength over single-helical gears. For herringbone gears as shown in Fig. 18-7, helix angles are used from 20 to 30 deg for industrial gears and up to 45 deg for turbine drives. The minimum face width for herringbone gears as recommended by AGMA is  $2.3p/\tan \psi$ . For both single- and double-helical gears, the maximum width of face should be from 1.5 to 2 times the pinion diameter,

although 2.5 has been used.<sup>1</sup> In the latter case the mountings were very rigid and accurately aligned.

*Strength of parallel helical gears.* According to the AGMA, a modification of the Lewis equation, Eq. (18-2), may be used for helical gears:

$$W = \frac{s_o F p y C_v}{C} \quad (18-12)$$

where  $W$  = tangential tooth load, lb

$s_o$  = basic stress from Table 18-2

$p$  = circular pitch in the plane of rotation, in.

$y$  = form factor; the pressure angle is in the plane of rotation

$V$  = pitch-line velocity, fpm

$F$  = face width, parallel to axis, in.

$C$  = wear and lubrication factor; for enclosed gears, continuously lubricated with proper oil,  $C = 1.15$ ; for scanty lubrication, regularly inspected,  $C = 1.25$ ; for indifferent lubrication,  $C = 1.35$

$C_v = \frac{1,200}{1,200 + V}$  for accurately cut and ground gears

$C_v = \frac{78}{78 + \sqrt{V}}$  for hardened steel, ground and lapped gears

The relation between the pressure angle  $\phi_n$  in the normal plane and  $\phi$  in the plane of rotation is

$$\tan \phi_n = \tan \phi \cos \psi$$

The *surface durability* of the teeth may be determined by using a modification of the Buckingham equation, Eq. (18-9),<sup>2</sup> or the AGMA standard rating.<sup>3</sup>

The dynamic load on helical gears may be estimated from an extension of Eq. (18-9) by substituting  $F \cos^2 \psi$  for  $F$  and by multiplying the last term (increment-load term) by  $\cos \psi$ . The wear-load equation, Eq. (18-11), should be divided by  $\cos^2 \psi$  for helical gears.<sup>4</sup>

**18-7 Additional considerations in rating of gears.** *Profile contact ratio.* In accurately cut gears of high contact ratio, more than one pair of teeth

<sup>1</sup> W. P. Schmitter, Determining the Capacity of Helical and Herringbone Gearing, *Machine Design*, June and July, 1943.

<sup>2</sup> C. D. Albert, "Machine Design Drawing Room Problems," 4th ed., p. 382, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1951.

<sup>3</sup> AGMA Standard Rating, Surface Durability of Helical and Herringbone Gears, AGMA Standard 211.01-1944.

<sup>4</sup> See also AGMA Standard Ratings, Strength of Helical and Herringbone Gear Teeth, AGMA Standard 221.01-1948, and Surface Durability of Helical and Herringbone Gears, AGMA Standard 211.01-1944.

may be counted on to share the load so that the worst loading on a tooth may not occur at the first point of contact, as assumed in the derivation of the Lewis equation, but instead may take place between that point and the pitch point. For this condition,<sup>1</sup> the inscribed parabola will be shorter than shown in Fig. 18-3 and the form factor will be greater than the value in Table 18-1. In critical gear applications, such as aircraft gears, marine gears, and stationary geared power-plant drives, it may be desirable to consider this more refined procedure, instead of the simple Lewis method, and to include also stress concentration and other influences, as discussed in the remaining sections of this article.

*Stress concentration.* The following equations<sup>2</sup> for stress-concentration factors may be used to determine the magnification of maximum stress at the fillets. In the equations  $r$  is the fillet radius and the other notation is the same as in Fig. 18-3.

For 20-deg involute teeth

$$K = 0.18 + \left(\frac{t}{r}\right)^{0.15} \left(\frac{t}{h}\right)^{0.45}$$

and for 14½-deg involute teeth

$$K = 0.22 + \left(\frac{t}{r}\right)^{0.20} \left(\frac{t}{h}\right)^{0.40}$$

*Connected loads.* In high-speed gears in which the rotating parts have large moments of inertia, as in a motor or turbine with large and heavy rotors driving a propeller, flywheel, generator, or any mass with large  $WR^2$ , the driving and driven units tend to resist changes in velocity due to irregularities in the gear teeth and to the transfer of load from one pair of teeth to the next. Large dynamic loads may be induced in this case.<sup>3</sup>

*Allowable stresses.* When the refinements of contact ratio, stress concentration, and dynamic loads as affected by tooth errors in action and by connected masses are considered, the allowable stresses in the teeth to prevent failure by fracture may be higher than the stresses used with the simple Lewis equation. It is not possible to state general rules for determining these allowable stresses since the requirements for each class of application of gears are unique, so that the safe procedure in selecting allowable stresses is by experiment and experience. A correct equation for allowable stresses would also include a term to express the degree of necessity of the manufacturer to avoid any failure of the gears.

<sup>1</sup> See D. W. Dudley, "Practical Gear Design," p. 44, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1954.

<sup>2</sup> T. J. Dolan and E. I. Broghamer, A Photoelastic Study of Stresses in Gear Tooth Fillets, *Univ. Illinois Eng. Expt. Sta. Bull.* 335, 1942.

<sup>3</sup> See E. Buckingham, "Analytical Mechanics of Gears," Chap. 20, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1949.

For instance, the failure of a gear in a juke box may not cause more than inconvenience until it is replaced; in fact, the result of such a failure may bring pleasure to some listeners.

The failure of a gear in an automobile would probably not endanger life or cause extensive damage; yet if many gears failed in any one make of automobile it would jeopardize the reputation of the manufacturer.

The failure of a gear in an industrial speed reducer would generally not have fatal results and may not be excessively expensive to repair. It might, however, result in expensive shutdown.

The failure of any one of most gears in an aircraft would have good chances of causing a serious accident.

A failure in the main propulsion gear of an ocean-going ship may cause a disaster or at best may necessitate an extended layover in drydock with the necessity, if it were a bull-gear failure, of cutting through several steel decks or the hull to remove the ruined gear and replace it with a new one. To the loss in revenue or service should be added the cost of manufacturing a new gear and drydock charges of the order of \$1,000 per hour.

Thus, owing to the widely varying requirements in applications of gears and to the many modes of failure, the choice of allowable stresses requires careful consideration.

*Scoring.* In heavily loaded gears which are operated for a long period of time, pits may develop due to excessive compressive stresses at the region of contact between the teeth. The pits may become large so that a considerable area is affected which may lead to *scoring* of the teeth. Scoring is characterized by radial scratches and may be associated with other types of wear, such as abrasion.

A formula that has been used by automotive-gear designers to evaluate scoring is known as the *PVT* formula in which  $P$  is the Hertz contact pressure in pounds per square inch, usually calculated for the first and last points of contact on the pinion tooth profile and taking into account the contact ratio. The sliding velocities at the points where  $P$  is calculated is represented by  $V$  and expressed in feet per minute. The distance in inches along the line of action from the point where  $P$  is calculated to the pitch point is represented by  $T$ . Values of *PVT* to prevent scoring are of the order of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  million.

Another method for determining limits to avoid scoring and which may be a better criterion than the *PVT* formula uses the "flash temperature" at the contacting surfaces of the teeth. An equation for the flash-temperature limit to prevent scoring,<sup>1</sup> known as the Kelley formula, includes terms for the rolling velocities of the tooth surfaces in contact, the coefficient of friction, and the rms value for surface finish after the gears have been run in.

<sup>1</sup> B. W. Kelley, A New Look at Scoring Phenomena of Gears, AGMA 219.04, October, 1952.

*AGMA ratings.* These ratings expressed in horsepower cover strength of spur, helical, and bevel gears and surface durability of spur, helical, bevel, and worm gears. There are also AGMA thermal-horsepower capacity ratings for enclosed helical-gear speed reducers.

**18-8 Nonmetallic gears.** In installations where it is desirable to reduce noise and vibration or where the loads are light and long life is a factor, the pinion of a pair of gears may be made of nonmetallic materials, for example, rawhide, fabroil, molded nylon, or a laminated phenolic, such as textolite, Micarta, bakelite, or celoron. Rawhide and fabroil gears are usually assembled by compression between two steel plates. Rawhide is especially good for shock loading. To avoid overheating rawhide gears, the pitch-line velocity should normally be limited to 1,750 or 2,000 fpm with a maximum of 2,500 fpm. Since rawhide is affected by most oils, a paste made of flake graphite and linseed oil forms a good lubricant. High temperature should be avoided.

The laminated phenolic materials are not affected by water, oil, or moderate temperature. Pitch-line velocities up to 3,000 fpm are conservative for industrial installations with commercial standards used in cutting. With precision-cut gears well mounted and balanced, pitch-line velocities up to 5,000 fpm may be used safely.

The nonmetallic pinions are generally run with cast-iron gears and they may be designed by the use of the Lewis equation, Eq. (18-2), and Eq. (18-3) where

$$C_v = \frac{150}{200 + V} + 0.25 \quad (18-13)$$

**18-9 Failure of gear teeth.** Gear teeth may fail by breaking as a result of static load, shock load, or fatigue load, or they may fail by excessive wear. The latter is the usual type of failure, especially in gears that operate continuously. The general types of wear of machine parts, as discussed in Art. 20-7, may be expanded to apply to gear teeth as follows:<sup>1</sup>

Normal wear	Galling
Initial pitting	Burning
Progressive pitting	Rolling
Abrasion	Cracking and checking
Scratching	Chipping
Scoring	Gouging

*Normal wear* occurs when the gears are new, but it should cease after the gears are "run in" under proper conditions.

<sup>1</sup> See AGMA Standard Nomenclature, Gear Tooth Wear and Failure, AGMA 110.02, 1951.

*Initial pitting* may not be serious but if it leads to *progressive pitting* the gear may fail (see Figs. 3-16 and 18-8). This is a common type of failure of gears. *Abrasion* is generally due to foreign matter in the lubricant.

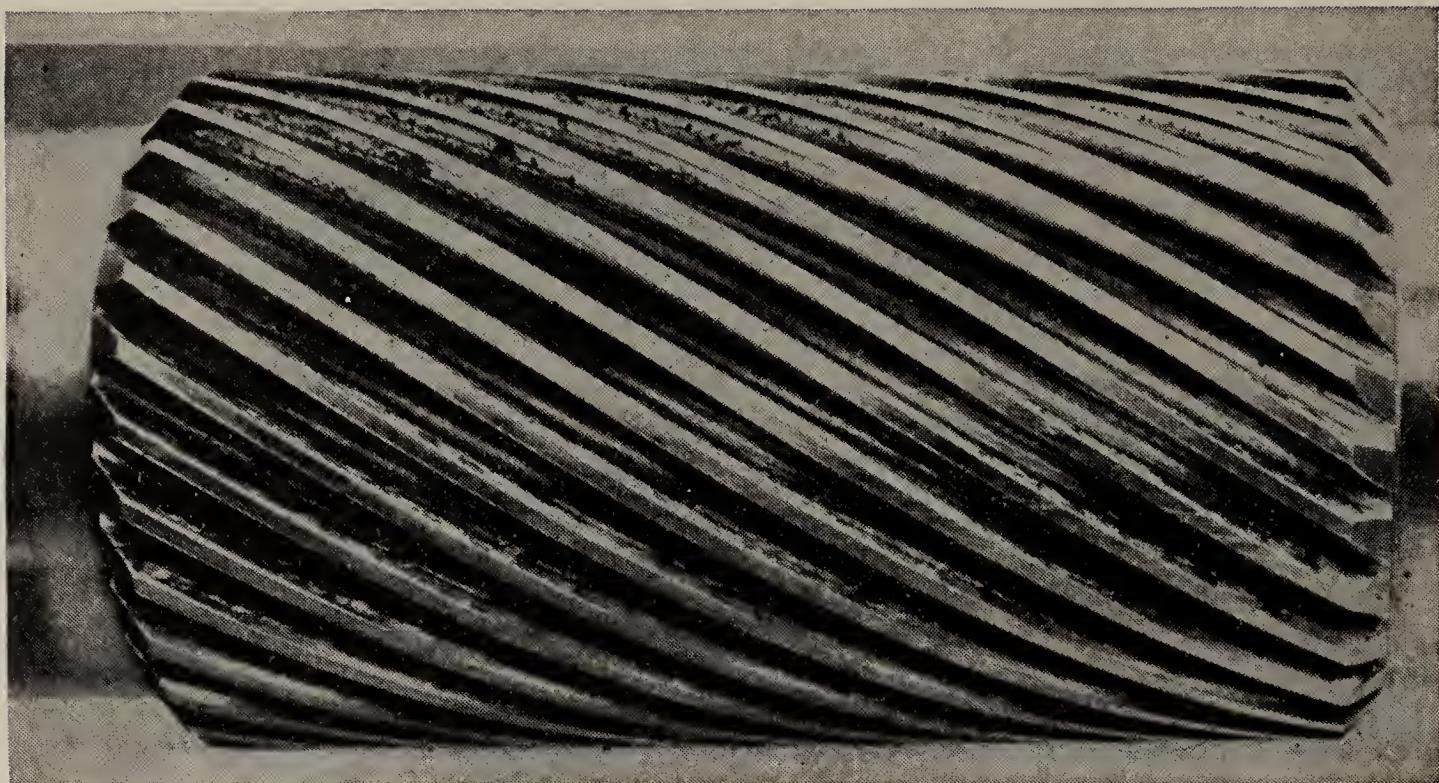


FIG. 18-8. Example of pitted gear teeth. (Courtesy of Westinghouse Electric Corporation.)

The above list gave 12 types of failure which may occur singly but which generally appear in combination. They may be caused by or aggravated by such conditions as the following:

Incorrect center distance	Excessive temperatures
Shaft misalignment or deflection	Excessive speeds
Improper lubrication	Vibration
Excessive loads	Poor surface finish

**18-10 Bearing loads.** The three mutually perpendicular components of the tooth load on a parallel helical gear are  $F_x$ ,  $F_y$ , and  $F_z$ , as shown in Fig. 18-9. These components may be determined as follows:

$$F_x = \frac{2T}{D} = \frac{33,000 \text{ hp}}{V}$$

$$F_y = F_x \tan \psi$$

$$F_z = F_x \tan \phi$$

where  $T$  = torque transmitted, lb-in.

$D$  = pitch diameter of gear, in.

$V$  = pitch-line velocity, fpm

$\psi$  = helix angle

$\phi$  = pressure angle

To determine the loads on the bearings *A* and *B*, the type of support for the shaft must be known. If the shaft is relatively short with long sleeve bearings, a distributed load must be assumed. If the shaft is relatively long with short sleeve bearings or ball bearings, the shaft may be assumed to be simply supported.

The loads on the bearings *A* and *B* may be determined by considering the components  $F_x$ ,  $F_y$ , and  $F_z$  separately. Note that the bearing reactions due to  $F_y$  and  $F_z$  are in the plane of the left-hand view in the figure, while the reactions due to  $F_x$  are perpendicular to that plane.

If there is an "overhanging load," such as  $F_o$ , because of a driven gear, sprocket, or belt, its magnitude may be determined; and, if the direction is known, it can be combined with the bearing reactions caused by  $F_x$ ,

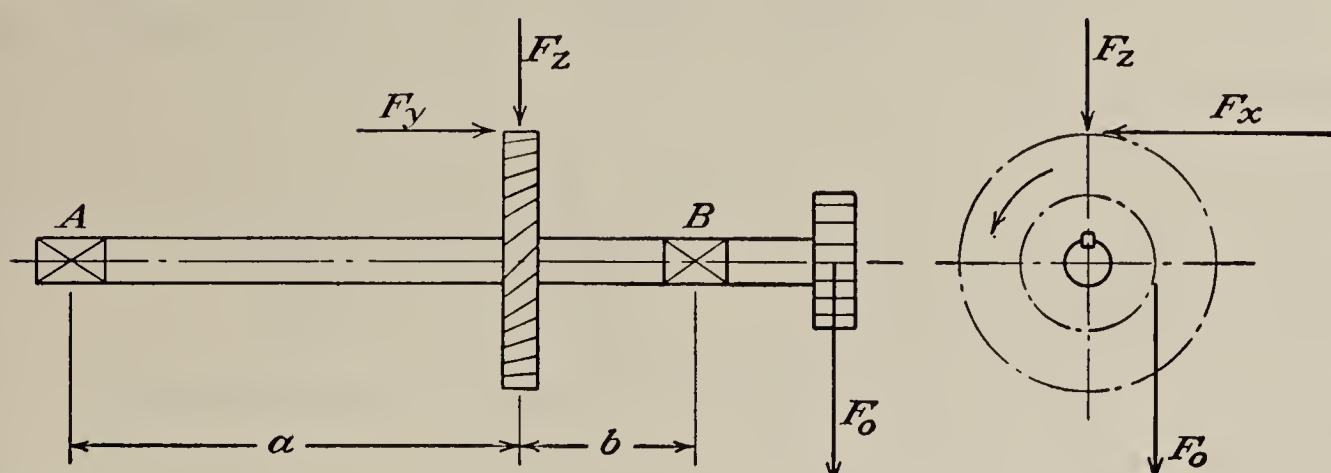


FIG. 18-9. Loads on gears.

$F_y$ , and  $F_z$ . If the direction of  $F_o$  is not known, the most unfavorable direction should be assumed, *i.e.*, in the same direction as the resultant of the reactions due to  $F_x$ ,  $F_y$ , and  $F_z$ . In general, the *maximum* loads that it is possible to impose on bearings *A* and *B* should be determined regardless of the direction of rotation of the gears.

*Overhanging load.* The maximum overhung load which a customer may apply to the stub end of the shaft of a speed reducer depends on the type of drive and on the minimum size of sprocket, gear, or sheave which is keyed to the shaft. The following equation may be used to estimate the load:

$$F_o = \frac{126,060K \times \text{hp}}{D \times \text{rpm}} \quad (18-14)$$

where  $F_o$  = overhung load, lb

$K$  = load factor; for chain drive,  $K = 1$ , for gear,  $K = 1\frac{1}{4}$ , for V belt,  $K = 1\frac{1}{2}$ , and for flat belt,  $K = 2\frac{1}{2}$

hp = rated horsepower

rpm = shaft speed

$D$  = diameter of sprocket, gear, or sheave, in.

If  $D$  is not known, a value equal to twice the shaft diameter may be used. The location of the line of action of  $F_0$  may be determined on the assumption of its being located one shaft diameter beyond the shaft seal, or at the mid-point of the shaft extension, whichever is the greater distance from the adjacent bearing.

**18-11 Lubrication of gears.** In the discussion of the lubrication of journal bearings in Art. 21-2, it is shown that in order to have fluid-film lubrication exist between two surfaces having relative sliding motion it is necessary for the film to be converging. A pair of gear teeth coming into action provides a converging film so that fluid-film lubrication is possible.<sup>1</sup> Since the surfaces of mating gear teeth are both convex, the width of the band of the load-carrying film is small, and the pressures developed will be very high as compared with pressures in a sleeve bearing. In heavily loaded gears, the thickness of the film may become so small that the film is ruptured by the irregularities of the tooth surfaces. In this event, boundary lubrication will exist and special "extreme-pressure" lubricants should be used. Oils of low viscosity should be used for high speeds and light loads, and oils of high viscosity should be used for low speeds and heavy loads.

Grease and oil are the lubricants most frequently used for gears. Oil is generally considered better but it requires an oiltight housing or case with shaft seals. The same oil may be used for the lubrication of the gears and the bearings in many cases. When the oil is circulated by a splash system, the gear should dip into the oil about 1 in. A greater submergence may cause churning of the oil and an excessive temperature rise.

**18-12 Parallel-shaft speed reducers.** These standard units are manufactured by many companies for general industrial service and whenever possible they should be used rather than a special unit. Frequently, however, gear reducers must be "built in" the machinery of which they are a part.

The standard units may be classified as follows:

1. Number of reductions, such as single, double, triple; single reductions may be had generally from 1:1 to 8 or 10:1; double reductions from 8:1 to 30 or 45:1
2. Vertical or horizontal (this refers to the plane in which the shafts are located)
3. Type of gears
4. Type of bearings, such as sleeve, ball, straight roller, or tapered roller
5. External gears, internal gears, or cyclic gear train
6. Geared motor reducer (these units are part of the driving motor)

<sup>1</sup> E. K. Gatcombe, Lubrication Characteristics of Involute Spur Gears, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 67, p. 177, 1945.

In addition to the above types there are also worm-gear reducers, bevel-gear reducers, and variable-speed changers.

A single-reduction, single-helical horizontal speed reducer using roller bearings is shown in Fig. 18-10 and a herringbone reducer in Fig. 18-11.

*Service factors.* The AGMA recommends the following service factors, Table 18-9, for application to enclosed reducers. It is necessary that the reducer have a capacity at least equal to the actual horsepower multiplied by the service factor.

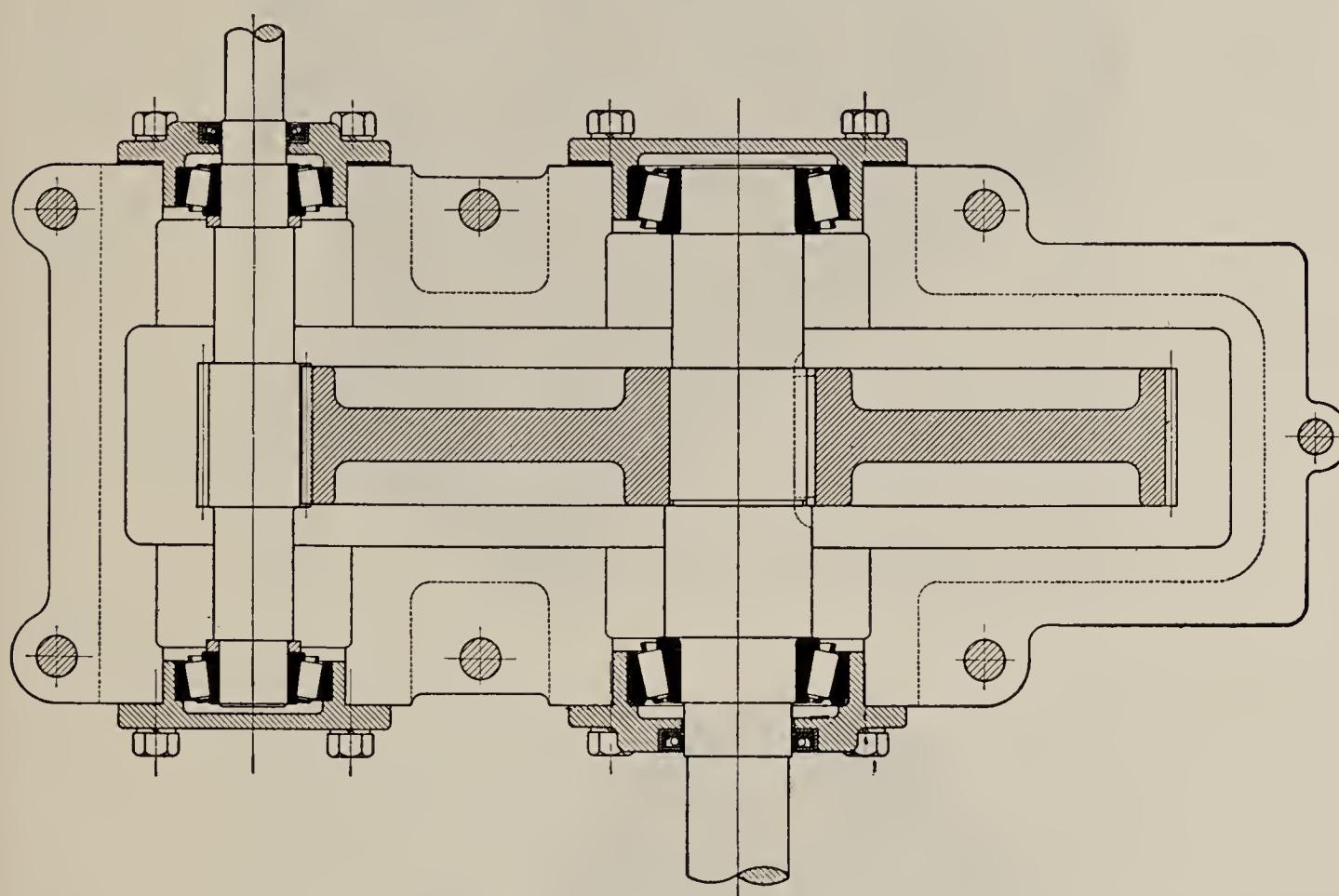


FIG. 18-10. Section of helical-gear speed reducer. (*Courtesy of Timken Roller Bearing Company.*)

*Thermal horsepower rating.* When a speed reducer is operated, its temperature will rise until the housing attains a temperature above ambient temperature sufficient to dissipate the heat corresponding to the power loss of the unit. If the temperature of the housing is limited in order to maintain proper lubrication, then the horsepower transmitted is limited and is known as the "thermal capacity" of the unit. The AGMA specifies a thermal rating in terms of the center distance and the face width of the gears. For operation at periods of less than 2 hr with long rest periods, the thermal rating may be ignored, but for operating periods of more than 2 hr, the transmitted horsepower should not exceed the thermal horsepower rating.

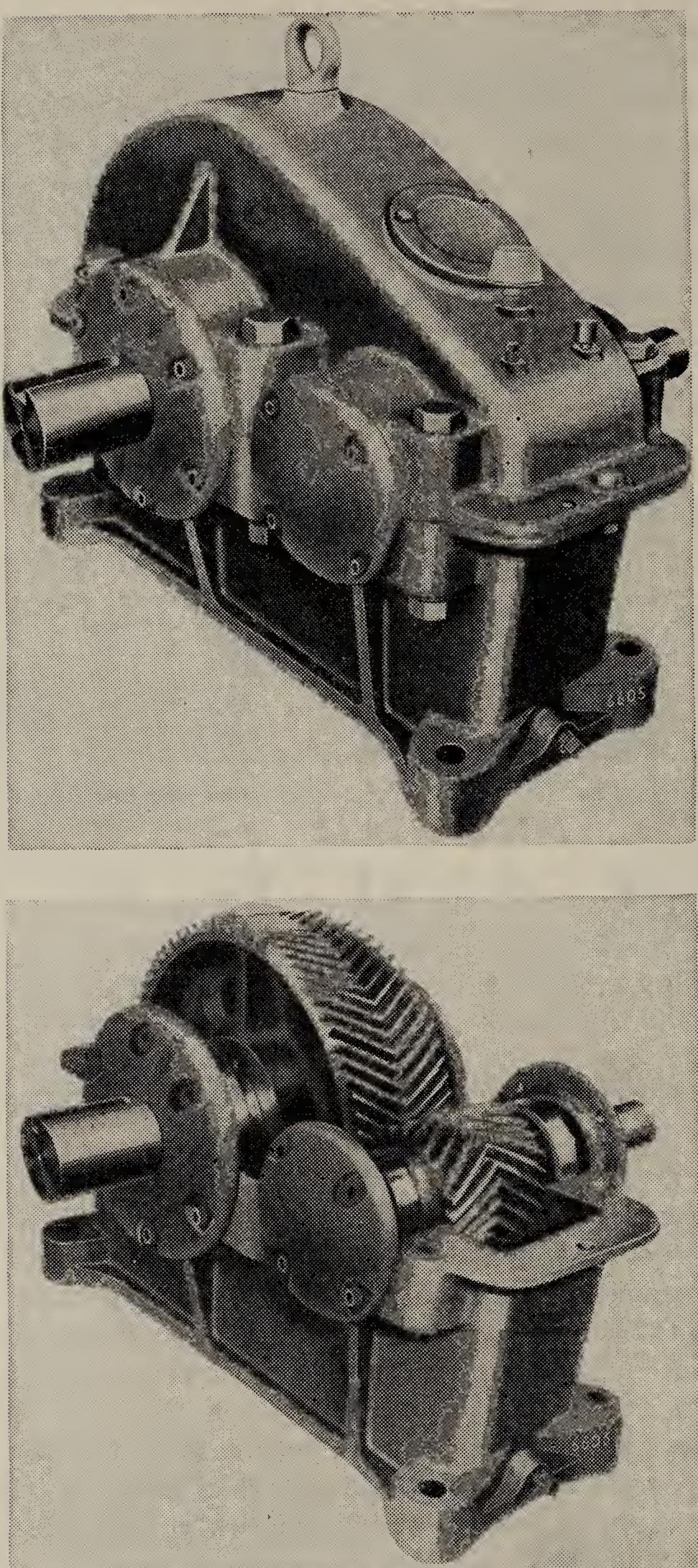


FIG. 18-11. Single-reduction herringbone-gear speed reducer, lower view with top half of housing removed. (Courtesy of DeLaval Steam Turbine Company.)

TABLE 18-9. SERVICE FACTORS

Prime mover	Duration of service	Character of load on driven machine		
		Uniform	Moderate shock	Heavy shock
Electric motor . . . .	8 to 10 hr per day	1.00	1.25	1.75
	24 hr per day	1.25	1.50	2.00
	Intermittent, 3 hr per day	0.80	1.00	1.50
	Occasional, $\frac{1}{2}$ hr per day	0.50	0.80	1.25
Multicylinder internal-combustion engine	8 to 10 hr per day	1.25	1.50	2.00
	24 hr per day	1.50	1.75	2.25
	Intermittent, 3 hr per day	1.00	1.25	1.75
	Occasional, $\frac{1}{2}$ hr per day	0.80	1.00	1.50
Single-cylinder internal-combustion engine	8 to 10 hr per day	1.50	1.75	2.25
	24 hr per day	1.75	2.00	2.50
	Intermittent, 3 hr per day	1.25	1.50	2.00
	Occasional, $\frac{1}{2}$ hr per day	1.00	1.25	1.75

For a single-reduction, helical-gear speed reducer, the thermal-horsepower rating (AGMA Standard 420.02-1951) is as follows:

$$hp = 3.265C \sqrt[1.5]{F} - 0.483C^{1.5}F$$

where  $C$  = center distance, in.

$F$  = face width, in.

## CHAPTER 19

### GEARS FOR NONPARALLEL SHAFTS

**19-1 Types of gears.** Refer to Fig. 19-1. A brief description of some gears is given in the following list:

1. *Straight bevel gears.* The axes intersect, generally at right angles. The elements of the teeth are straight lines that converge at the apex of the pitch cone.

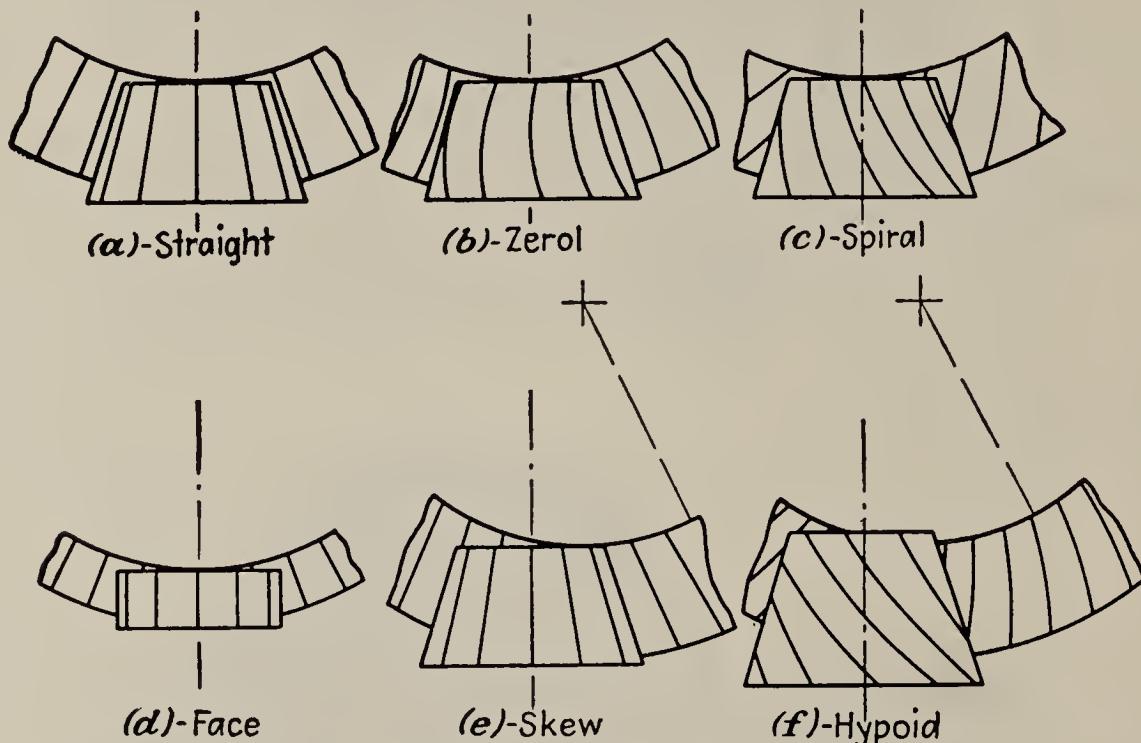


FIG. 19-1. Relation of axes.

2. *Zerol bevel gears.* The axes intersect, and the teeth are curved and can be ground.

3. *Spiral bevel gears.* The axes intersect, and the teeth are curved and oblique.

4. *Face gears* consist of a spur or helical pinion in combination with a conjugate gear of disk form.

5. *Skew bevel gears.* The axes are nonparallel and nonintersecting, and the teeth are straight.

6. *Hypoid gears.* The axes are nonparallel and nonintersecting, and the teeth are curved.

7. *Crossed helical gears.* The axes are nonintersecting and are at any angle. The teeth have the same or opposite hand (see Fig. 19-8).

8. Worm gears include worms and their mating gears. The axes are usually at right angles, as in Fig. 19-12.

In Fig. 19-2 are shown the pitch cones for various relations of axes in the same plane from the external gear to the internal gear.

**19-2 Bevel-gear terminology.** An axial section of a pair of right-angle bevel gears is shown in Fig. 19-3. The shaft angle  $\Sigma$  equals 90 deg,  $\Gamma$  is the pitch angle,  $\Gamma_o$  is the face angle, and  $\Gamma_R$  is the root angle.  $D$  is the pitch diameter, and  $D_o$  is the outside diameter. The addendum is  $a$ , and the dedendum  $b$  is measured at the large ends of the teeth. The pitch cones are represented by  $oef$  and  $ofg$  and the back cones by  $jef$  and  $hfg$ . In the figure, the subscripts  $P$  and  $G$  refer to the pinion and gear, respectively.

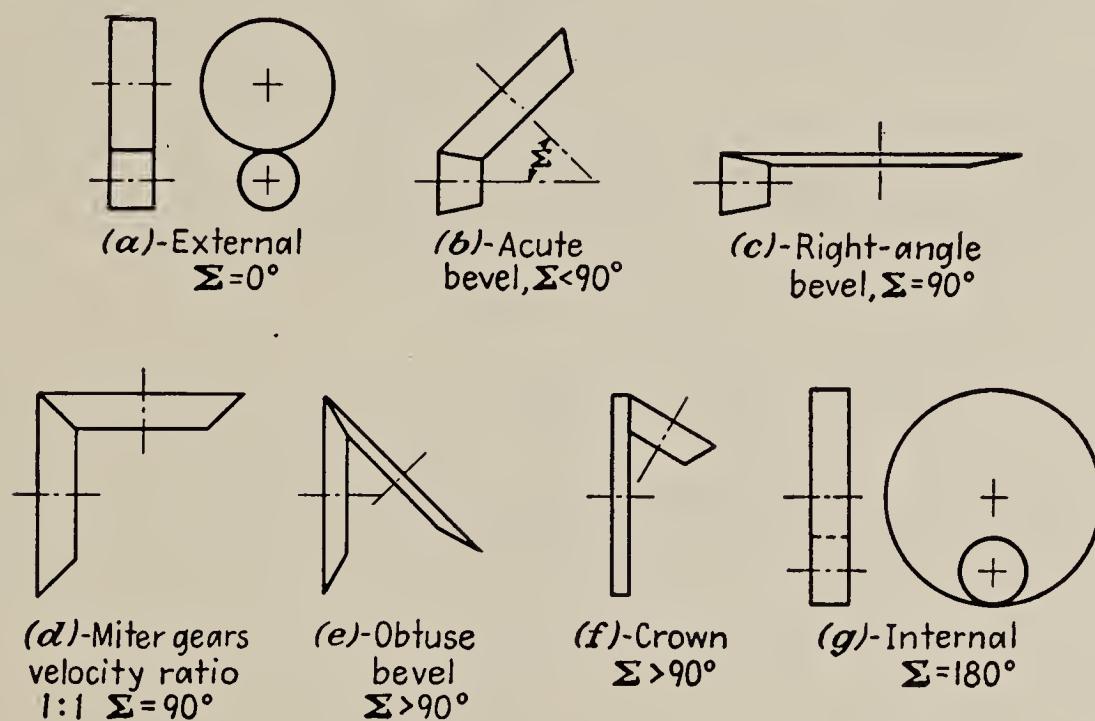


FIG. 19-2. Relation of axes for gears where  $\Sigma$  is angle between shafts.

**19-3 Strength of bevel-gear teeth.** *Distribution of load along teeth.* A half section of a bevel gear is shown in Fig. 19-4(a), the large end of a tooth at (b), and a top view of the tooth at (c). Note that the elements of the tooth converge at the apex of the pitch cone, and hence the dimensions of the tooth at any section are proportional to the distance  $x$  of the section from the apex of the pitch cone  $O$ .

The dotted lines at (c) show the deflected tooth under the load. If the tooth does not *distort* under load, the elements of the deflected tooth pass through the apex  $O$ . Hence, the deflection of an element  $dx$  of the tooth under the load  $dW$  will be proportional to  $x$ .

The deflection of the element of the tooth as a cantilever is

$$\delta = \frac{dW h^3}{3EI} = \frac{12dW h^3}{3Et^3 dx} \quad (19-1)$$

where  $h$  and  $t$  are the effective height and thickness, respectively, of the tooth at the section at  $x$  (see Fig. 18-3). Since the ratio of  $h$  and  $t$  for

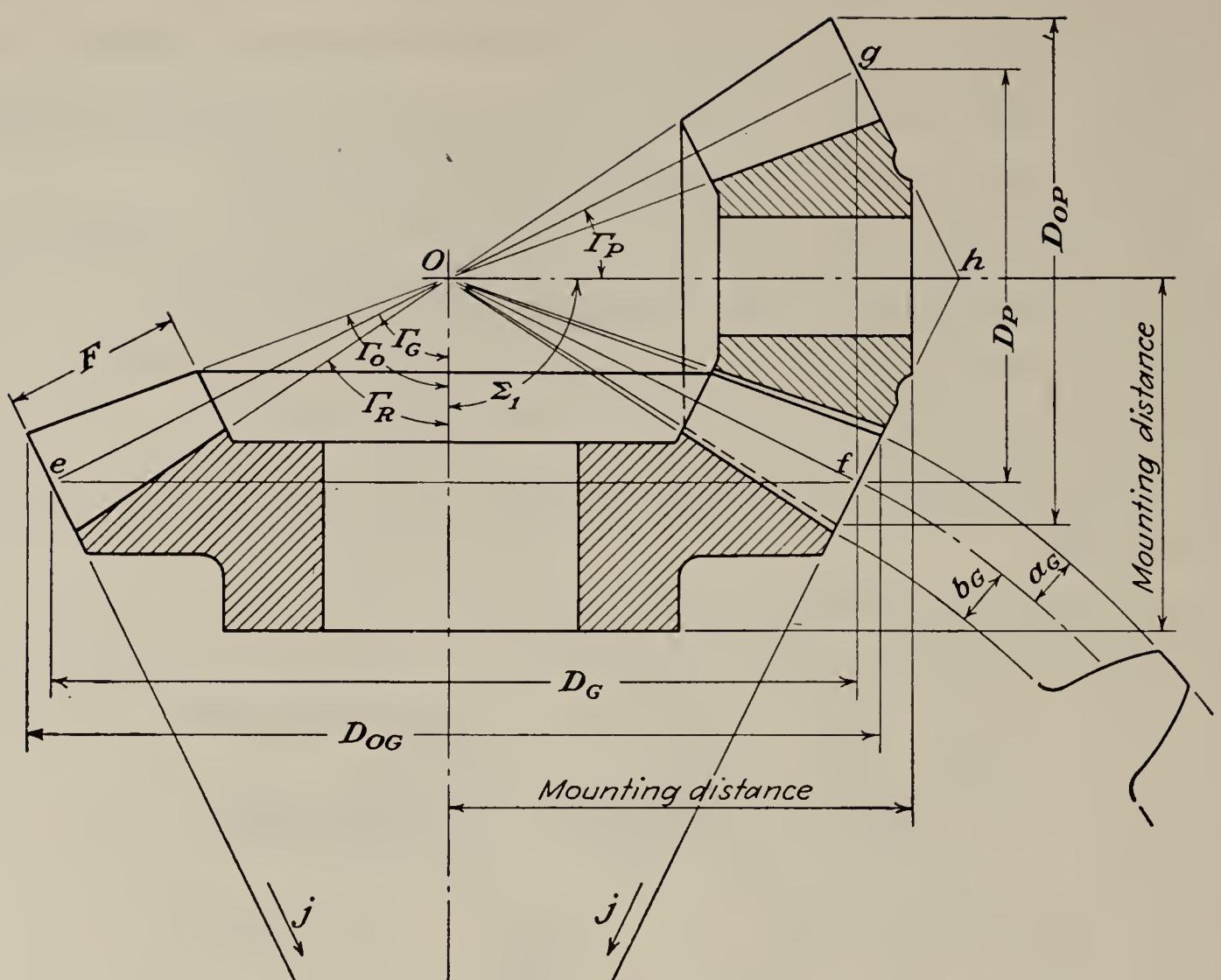


FIG. 19-3. Bevel-gear dimensions.

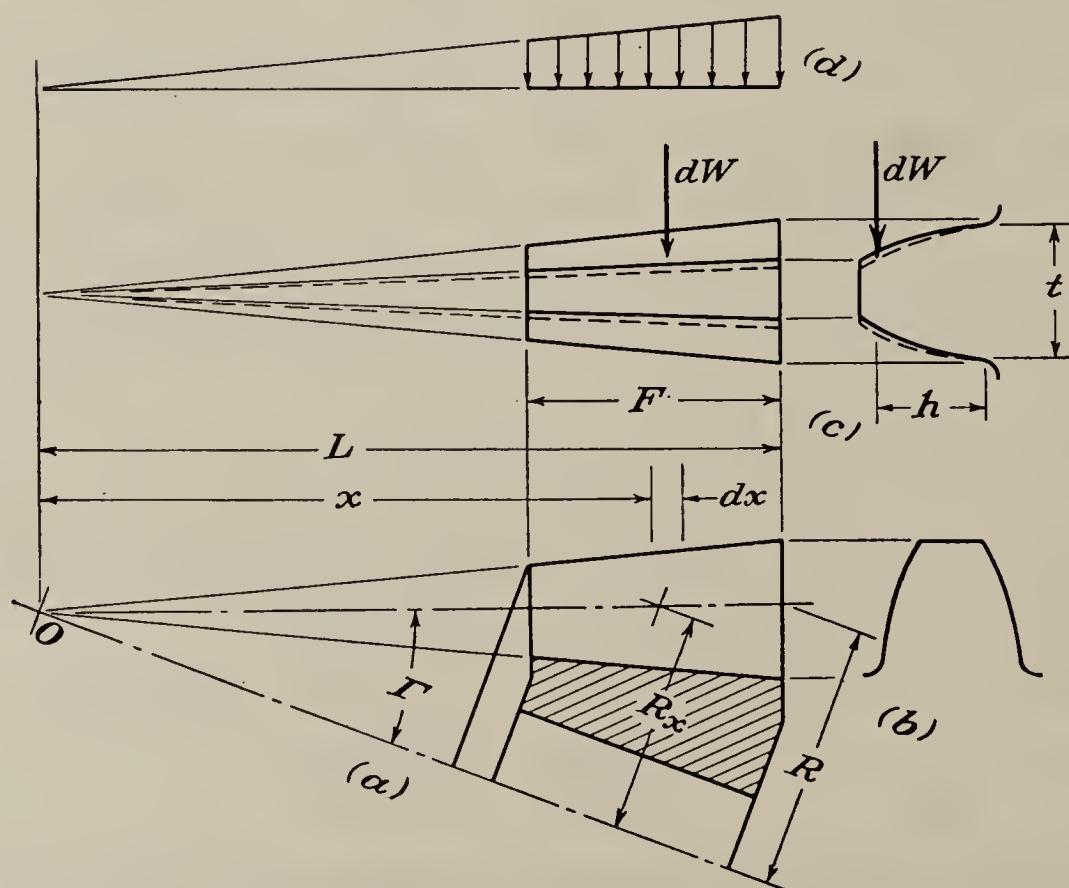


FIG. 19-4. Forces on bevel-gear tooth.

every section of the tooth is constant, and since  $\delta$  is proportional to  $x$ , it follows that

$$\frac{dW}{dx} = Cx \quad (19-2)$$

where  $C$  is a constant. Equation (19-2) states that the variation of the load  $W$  with respect to  $x$  is proportional to  $x$ ; hence the tooth load is greater at the large end of the tooth, as shown in Fig. 19-4(d).

The maximum bending stress at the base of the elementary section of the tooth is

$$s = \frac{6h}{t^2} \frac{dW}{dx} = \frac{6h}{t^2} Cx$$

or since  $h$  and  $t$  are proportional to  $x$ , it follows that the stress  $s$  is constant along the base of a bevel-gear tooth.

*Strength of bevel-gear teeth.* From the Lewis equation, Eq. (18-2), the load  $dW$  on an elementary section of a bevel-gear tooth may be expressed as

$$dW = s dx p_x y \quad (19-3)$$

where  $p_x$  = circular pitch of the element of the tooth

$y$  = Lewis form factor

The moment of  $dW$  about the axis of the gear is equal to  $R_x dW$  and its integral equals the torque  $T$  transmitted by the gear. Hence

$$dT = R_x dW = s y R_x p_x dx \quad (19-4)$$

Since  $R_x$  and  $p_x$  may be expressed in terms of the length of the pitch-cone element  $L$ , and the circular pitch  $p$  and the radius  $R$ , both measured at the large end of the tooth, Eq. (19-4) becomes

$$T = \frac{sypR}{L^2} \int_{L-F}^L x^2 dx \quad . \quad (19-5)$$

$$= sFpyR \left( 1 - \frac{F}{L} + \frac{F^2}{3L^2} \right) \quad (19-6)$$

By dividing the torque  $T$  by the radius  $R$ , the equivalent tangential force  $W$  acting at the large end of the tooth may be found, thus

$$W = \frac{T}{R} = sFpy \left( 1 - \frac{F}{L} + \frac{F^2}{3L^2} \right) \quad (19-7)$$

In bevel gears, the ratio of width of face to the pitch-cone element,  $F/L$ , is usually less than  $1/3$ ; hence the last term in the parentheses of the above equation is small compared with the other terms and may be

neglected, and hence Eq. (19-7) becomes

$$W = sFpy \left( 1 - \frac{F}{L} \right) \quad (19-8)$$

Note that a spur gear may be considered as the limiting case of a bevel gear for which  $L$  is infinitely long. For a spur gear the ratio  $F/L$  is zero and Eq. (19-8) becomes identical with Eq. (18-2).

The tangential force  $W$  in Eq. (19-8) may be determined by dividing the torque on the gear by the radius  $R$ . The force  $W$  is not an actual force but an equivalent force acting at the large end of the tooth for use in designing the tooth and specifying it at its large end. The strength of the tooth at other sections will be equal to that at the large end, as discussed earlier in this article.

In the use of Eq. (19-8) for design purposes, the value of the allowable stress  $s$  may be taken from Eq. (18-3) and Table 18-2.

For satisfactory operation of bevel gears, the ratio  $F/p$  should be between 2 and 3, and the ratio  $F/L$  should not exceed  $\frac{1}{3}$ . The form factor  $y$  should be based on the *formative number* of teeth, *i.e.*, the number of teeth on a gear whose radius equals the back-cone radius.

**19-4 Resultant tooth force.** For determining the loads on the shafts of bevel gearing, it is necessary to use the actual resultant tooth force that acts at some point along the tooth face rather than the equivalent force at the large end of the tooth, as discussed in Art. 19-3. Since the tooth is loaded heavier at the outer end, the resultant force  $W_o$  acts between the mid-point of the tooth and the outer end.

From Eq. (19-2),

$$dW = Cx \, dx$$

or

$$W_o = C \int_{L-F}^L x \, dx = \frac{C}{2} [L^2 - (L - F)^2] \quad (19-9)$$

Referring to Fig. 19-4, the moment of  $dW$  may be taken about  $O$  as

$$dM = x \, dW$$

or, using Eq. (19-2) again,

$$dM = Cx^2 \, dx$$

or

$$M = C \int_{L-F}^L x^2 \, dx = \frac{C}{3} [L^3 - (L - F)^3] \quad (19-10)$$

The distance of the point of application of the resultant load  $W_o$  from the apex  $O$  is found by dividing  $M$  by  $W_o$ ; hence

$$L_o = \frac{M}{W_o} = \frac{2}{3} \left[ \frac{L^3 - (L - F)^3}{L^2 - (L - F)^2} \right] \quad (19-11)$$

The radius  $R_o$  corresponding to  $L_o$  equals

$$R_o = \frac{L_o}{L} R \quad (19-12)$$

By combining Eqs. (19-11) and (19-12),

$$R_o = R \left( \frac{1 - \frac{F}{L} + \frac{F^2}{3L^2}}{1 - \frac{F}{2L}} \right) = ZR \quad (19-13)$$

The resultant tooth load  $W_o$  is equal to the torque on the gear divided by  $R_o$ , or

$$W_o = \frac{T}{R_o} \quad (19-14)$$

This is the tangential component of the actual tooth load. The separating component equals  $W_o$  multiplied by the tangent of the pressure angle.

The values of  $Z$  in Eq. (19-13) for various values of  $F/L$  are shown in Fig. 19-5.

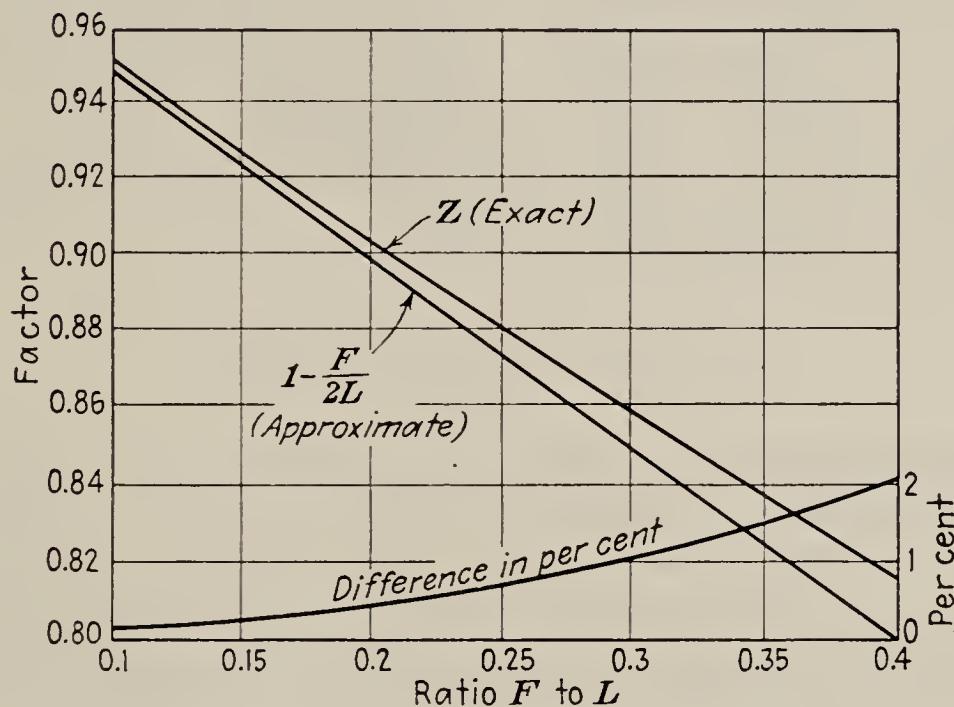


FIG. 19-5. Comparison of exact and approximate radius factors for bevel gears.

From the geometry of Fig. 19-4, it may be shown that the radius corresponding to the mid-section of the tooth is

$$R_m = R \left( 1 - \frac{F}{2L} \right) \quad (19-15)$$

The values of  $1 - (F/2L)$  are plotted in Fig. 19-5, and also the percentage of difference between  $Z$  and  $1 - (F/2L)$ . For bevel gears it is evident that the error in considering that the resultant tooth load acts at

the mid-point of the face is small, and therefore Eq. (19-15) may be used, except for very precise determinations of shaft loads. In these cases the effect on location of tooth bearing of inaccuracies, deflection of teeth, shaft and mounting, friction, and other deviations from the ideal case should be included.

**19-5 Gleason system of bevel gears.** As a result of considerable theoretical and experimental investigation as well as field experience, the Gleason Works has developed a system for generating bevel gears that has given excellent results. In this system the pressure angle and the addendum depend on the numbers of teeth in the pinion and gear.

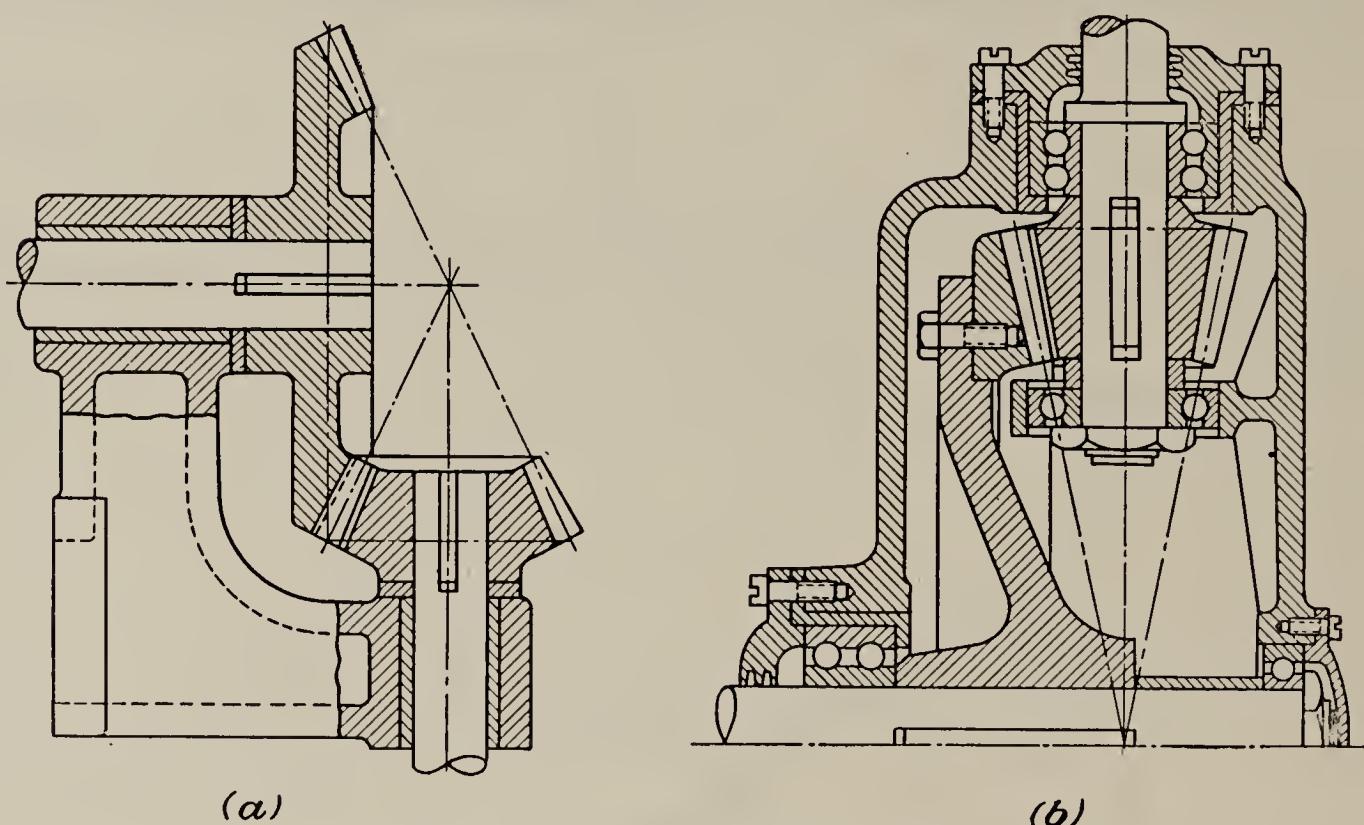


FIG. 19-6. Bevel-gear mountings.

**19-6 Mounting of bevel gears.** The shafts for bevel gears and the bearing supports should be sufficiently rigid so that the deflections at the teeth under load will not be excessive. Also, the gears should be properly adjusted when they are installed. Only by fulfilling the two requirements of mounting and adjustment, and by providing proper lubrication, can bevel gears be made to operate satisfactorily in respect to quietness and life.

The bearings should be designed with due consideration of the thrusts along the axes. In spiral bevel gears, the directions of the thrusts depend on the hand of the spiral, the direction of rotation, and whether the gear is the driver or driven member.

A pair of bevel gears mounted in plain bearings are shown in Fig. 19-6(a). A ball bearing mounting with the pinion straddle mounted is shown at (b). Note that the teeth of the gear are cut on a steel ring that is attached to a separate center.

A typical aircraft bevel-gear mounting is shown in Fig. 19-7. In a mounting of this type, the distance between the pinion bearings should be at least 2.5 times the overhang  $x$ .

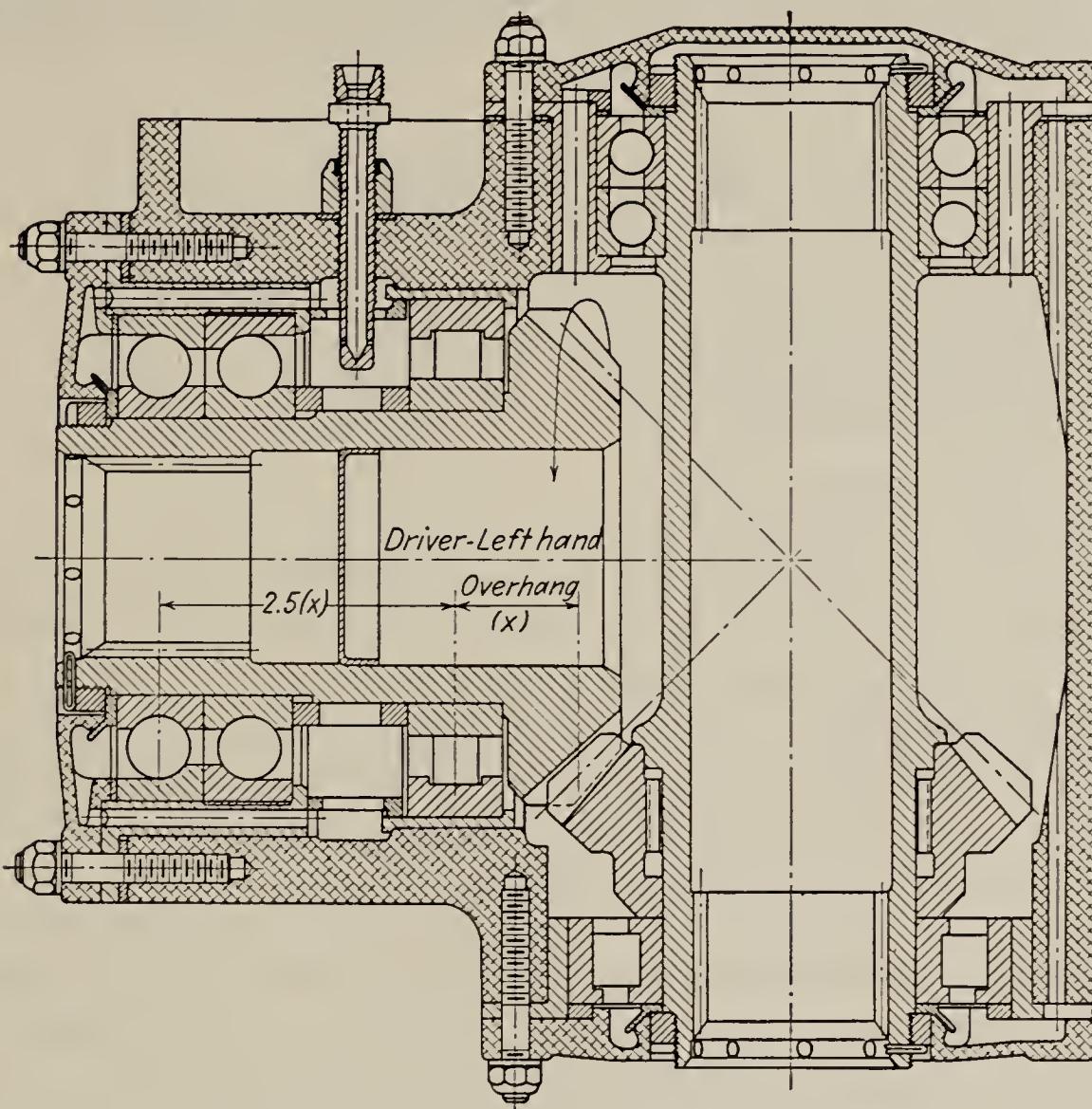


FIG. 19-7. Aircraft bevel-gear mounting. (Courtesy of Gleason Works.)

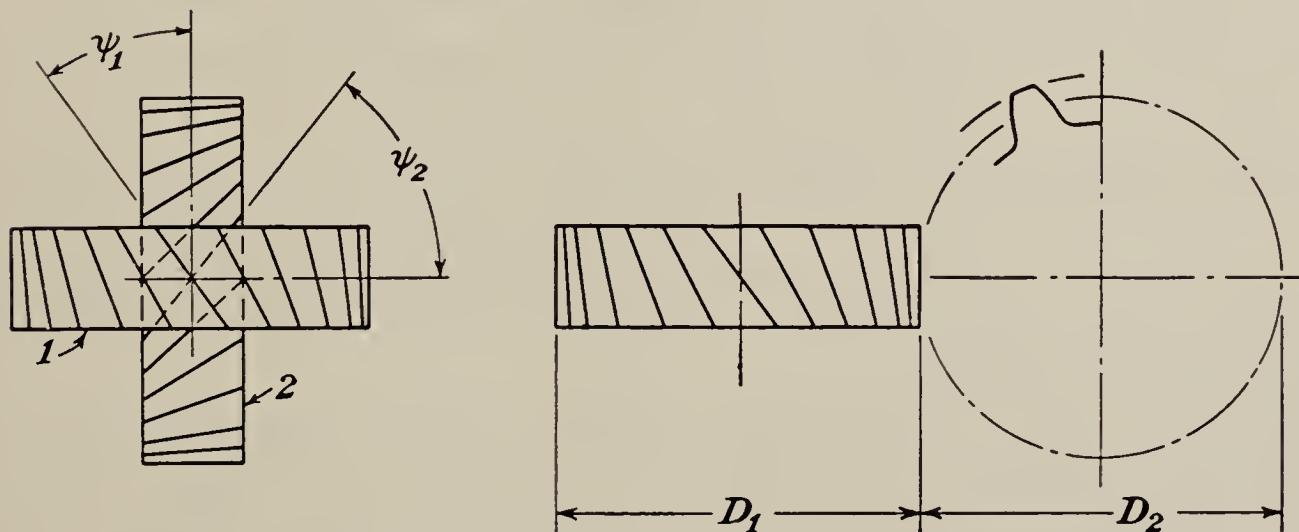


FIG. 19-8. Right-angle helical gears.

**19-7 Crossed helical gears.** The most common arrangement of *crossed* helical gears is with the shafts at right angles, as shown in Fig. 19-8. The contact between teeth is, kinematically, point contact. Because of the elasticity of the material the contact point becomes a small area. Because of the high tooth loads and the small contact area the contact

pressure is very high and wear is comparatively rapid. Hence, these gears are suitable for transmitting light power at moderate speeds. The efficiency is low, seldom more than 85 per cent.

The velocity ratio of any type of toothed gearing is equal to the inverse ratio of the numbers of teeth, hence

$$\frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1} = \frac{n_1}{n_2} = \frac{D_1 \cos \psi_1}{D_2 \cos \psi_2} \quad (19-16)$$

where  $\omega$  = angular velocity

$n$  = number of teeth

$D$  = pitch diameter

$\psi$  = helix angle

(for subscripts, refer to Fig. 19-8).

Crossed helical gears are used to drive camshafts and auxiliaries on small internal-combustion engines, feed mechanisms on machine tools, and other units that require small power.

**19-8 Worm gearing.** This type of gearing is extensively used to transmit power at high velocity ratios between nonintersecting shafts that are generally but not necessarily at right angles. Velocity ratios as high as 300:1 or over are being used in a single reduction. Worm drives may be used as speed *increasers*, but their usual use is as speed reducers, in which the worm is the driver and the worm wheel the driven member. If the driven machinery has large inertia and if there is possibility of the driving power being cut off suddenly, the worm drive must be *reversible*, or a slip coupling or other device must be placed between the driven unit and the worm wheel to prevent damage to the drive. When the lead angle of the worm is greater than the friction angle of the surfaces in contact, the worm is called *reversible*, or *overrunning*, *i.e.*, the worm can be freely driven by the worm wheel. However, under a *fluctuating* load, any worm drive may be reversible in the sense that it may creep backward, as when a worm is used as a brake to hold a load. A similar condition appears in the loosening of bolts under fluctuating axial loads, which was referred to in Art. 9-2.

The speed ratio of a worm drive is equal to the number of teeth on the worm wheel divided by the number of threads on the worm. From one to four threads are commonly used on worms, *i.e.*, single-, double-, triple-, and quadruple-threaded worm.

**19-9 Terminology and construction.** Single- and double-threaded worms are shown in Fig. 19-9. The axial pitch  $p$  is equal to the circular pitch of the mating worm wheel. Note that the lead  $L$  of an  $n$ -threaded worm is equal to  $n$  times the pitch; hence the lead and the axial pitch are equal in a single-threaded worm. The *pitch lead angle*  $\lambda$  is the angle

between the tangent to the pitch helix and the plane of rotation. The pitch *helix angle* is the angle between the tangent to the pitch helix and an element of the pitch cylinder and is the complement of the lead angle. The *pressure angle* is  $\beta$ . The AGMA states the following standard axial

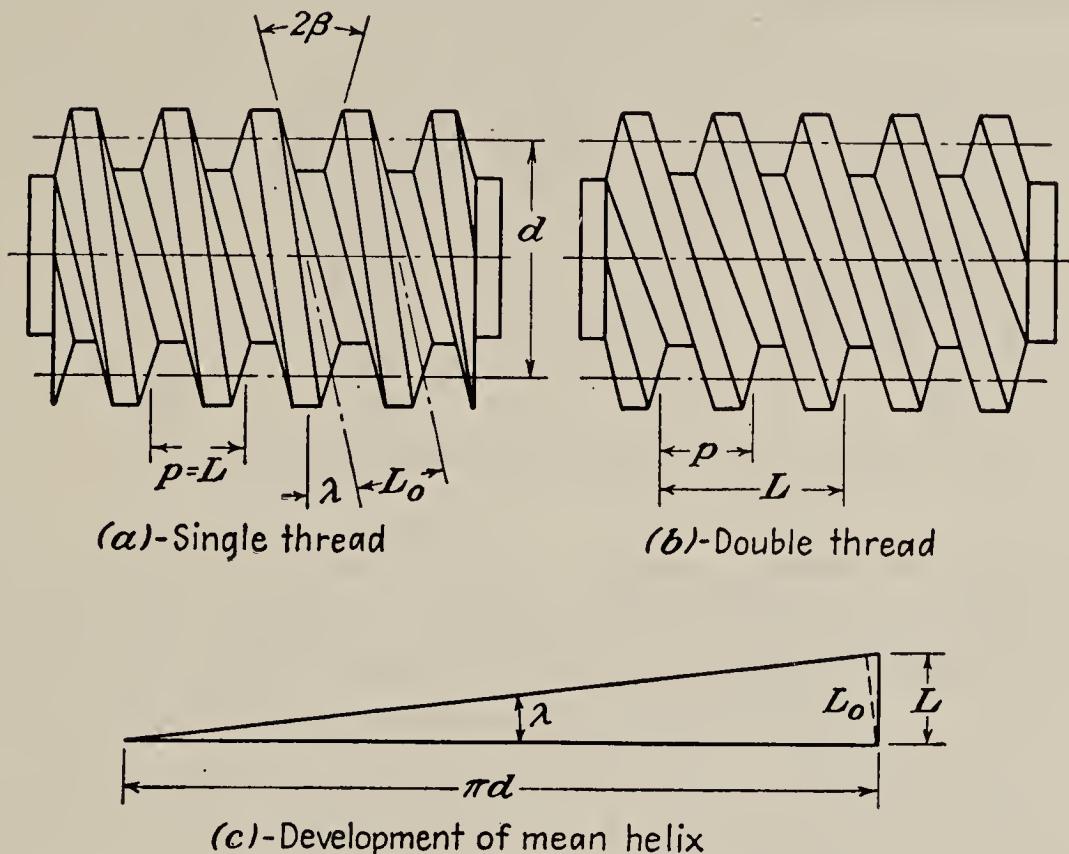


FIG. 19-9. Worm dimensions.

pitches:  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{5}{16}$ ,  $\frac{3}{8}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{5}{8}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ , 1,  $1\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $1\frac{3}{4}$ , and 2 in. Pressure angles are as follows:

Lead angle $\lambda$	Pressure angle $\beta$ , deg
To 12 deg.....	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
To 20 deg.....	20
To 25 deg.....	22 $\frac{1}{2}$
Over 25 deg.....	25
Reversible drives.....	30

The development of the pitch helix is shown at (c) in Fig. 19-9; this may be used to determine the relation between  $\lambda$ ,  $L$ , and the pitch diameter of the worm  $d$ , that is  $\tan \lambda = (L/\pi d)$ . The normal lead  $L_o$  is equal to  $L \cos \lambda$ .

The *straight worm* shown in Fig. 19-9 is the type in most common use. The *Hindley worm*, Fig. 19-10, is used to some extent, but it requires extremely accurate alignment.

Various types of worm-wheel rim construction are shown in Fig. 19-11. The form at (a) is cut with a form cutter and is suitable for light service.

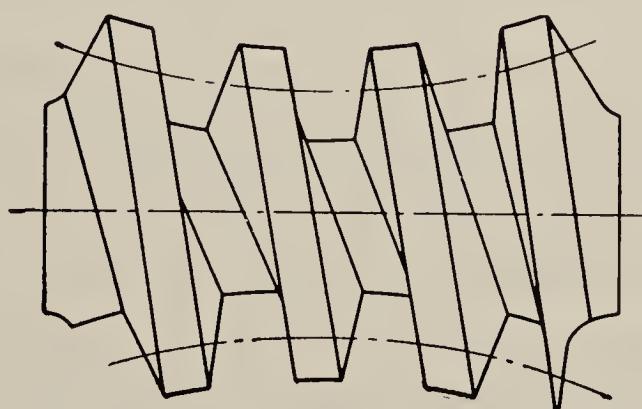


FIG. 19-10. Hindley worm.

The types at (b), (c), and (d) may be hobbed, the latter being a separate ring for attachment to a cast-iron or steel spider.

*Materials.* The worm is generally made of steel while the gear is made of bronze or of cast iron for light service. Some recommended combinations of materials are given in Table 19-1.

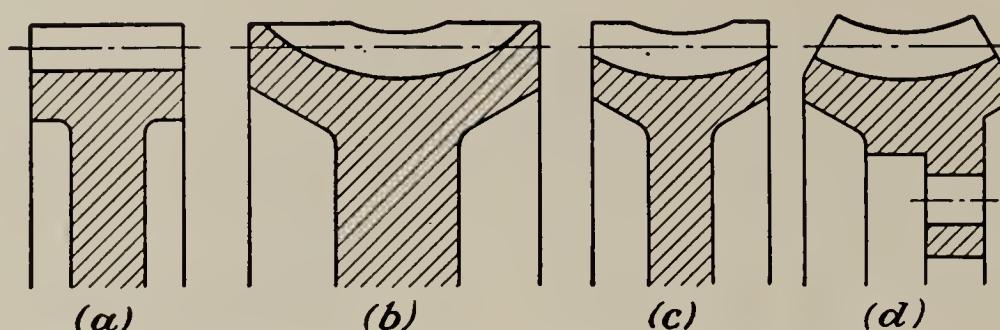


FIG. 19-11. Worm-gear rim construction.

**19-10 Design of worm gearing.** In the design of a worm drive, the quantities usually specified are the horsepower, speed, velocity ratio, and service. In some cases the exact or the approximate center distance is specified, the former in a replacement drive, and the latter in a drive where the center distance may be limited by space conditions. If the designer is limited in the choice of the center distance, it is usually impossible to achieve the highest efficiency.

TABLE 19-1. WORM AND WORM-WHEEL COMBINATIONS

Service	Worm	Worm wheel
Light.....	SAE 1040	Cast iron or SAE 63
Medium.....	SAE 2320 or SAE 3120 (casehardened)	Phosphor bronze
Heavy.....	Molybdenum or chrome-vanadium steel (hardened)	SAE 65

In addition to the center distance, the quantities that must be determined are the lead angle, the lead, and the number of threads on the worm. In addition, consideration must be given to the materials of the worm and worm wheel as affecting strength and wear of the teeth, sizes of the shafts as affecting their strength and stiffness, mounting of the shafts, design of a substantial housing of sufficient heat-dissipating capacity, and lubrication. Most of the above items are related, and many of them are not susceptible to exact analysis; hence it is apparent that the design of a worm drive demands the judicious use of theory and experimental and field data.

*Proportions of worm drive.* To determine a satisfactory combination of lead angle, lead, and center distance, the following method may be used.<sup>1</sup>

The center distance  $C$  may be expressed in terms of the worm and worm-gear diameters  $d$  and  $D$ , and it may be further expressed in terms of the axial lead  $L$ , the lead angle  $\lambda$ , and the velocity ratio  $r$  as follows (see Fig. 19-12):

$$C = \frac{d + D}{2} = \frac{L}{2\pi} (\cot \lambda + r)$$

In terms of  $L_o$ , the above equation becomes

$$\frac{C}{L_o} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{\sin \lambda} + \frac{r}{\cos \lambda} \right) \quad (19-17)$$

Since the velocity ratio  $r$  is specified, Eq. (19-17) contains three variables  $C$ ,  $L_o$ , and  $\lambda$ . The right-hand member may be evaluated for various velocity ratios and the results plotted as in Fig. 19-13.

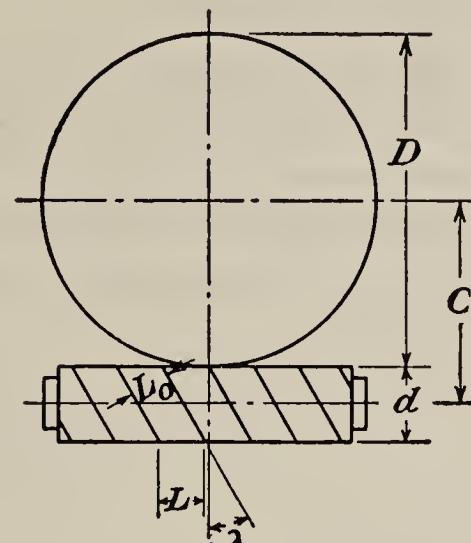


FIG. 19-12. Worm and worm gear.

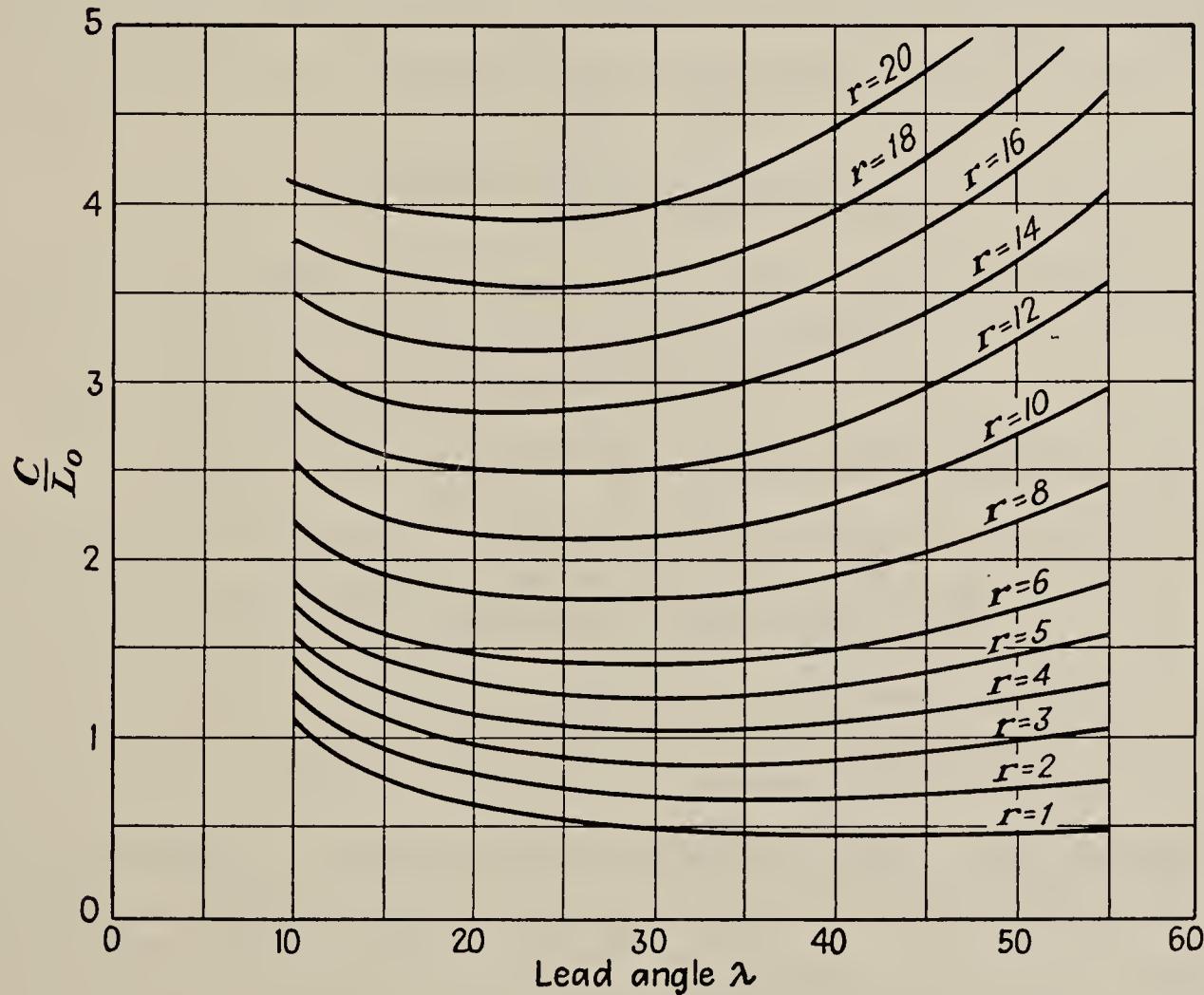


FIG. 19-13. Worm-gear design curves.

In Fig. 19-13 the low point on each of the curves represents the lead angle which corresponds to the minimum value of  $C/L_o$ . This minimum

<sup>1</sup> Courtesy of Thomas P. Colbert, University of Wisconsin, and O. A. Leutwiler, University of Illinois.

value represents the minimum center distance that can be used with a given lead, or likewise the maximum lead that can be used with a given center distance.

Since the numbers of threads that may be used with various velocity ratios have been fairly well established by common use (Table 19-2), and since axial pitches have been standardized (Art. 19-9), it is possible to determine the combination of lead angle, lead, center distance, and diameters to suit specifications. The following example illustrates the procedure.

Velocity ratio	Number of threads
20 and over	Single
12-36	Double
8-12	Triple
6-12	Quadruple
4-10	Sextuple

**EXAMPLE.** Determine the pitch diameters, number of threads, and axial pitch for a worm drive having a velocity ratio 14:1 and a center distance of approximately 6 in.

**SOLUTION:** From Fig. 19-13, the lead angle  $\lambda$  is 22 deg and the value  $C/L_o$  is 2.83. Therefore

$$L_o = \frac{C}{2.83} = \frac{6}{2.83} = 2.12 \text{ in.}$$

$$L = \frac{L_o}{\cos \lambda} = \frac{2.12}{0.927} = 2.29 \text{ in.}$$

From Table 19-2, assume triple threads, that is,  $n = 3$ . Then

$$p = \frac{L}{n} = \frac{2.29}{3} = 0.763 \text{ in.}$$

The nearest standard axial pitch is  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. Then

$$L = np = 3 \times 0.75 = 2.25 \text{ in.}$$

$$L_o = L \cos \lambda = 2.25 \times 0.927 = 2.09 \text{ in.}$$

$$C = 2.83L_o = 2.83 \times 2.09 = 5.91 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = \frac{L}{\pi \tan \lambda} = \frac{2.25}{\pi \times 0.404} = 1.774 \text{ in.}$$

$$D = 2C - d = 2 \times 5.91 - 1.77 = 10.05 \text{ in.}$$

**Strength of teeth.** Since the teeth of a worm gear are weaker than those of the worm threads, the design for strength may be based on the Lewis equation, Eq. (18-2), applied to the worm-gear teeth. The velocity factor  $C_v$  may be taken as  $1,200/(1,200 + V)$ , where  $V$  is the pitch-line velocity of the worm gear in fpm. Form factors given in Table 18-1 for full-depth teeth may be used.

Since the Lewis equation gives the strength of a single tooth, it may be desirable to consider the number of teeth in contact. The number of

teeth in contact may be determined by dividing the angle of action of the teeth by the angle subtended by the circular pitch.

*Wear of worm gears.* Failure at the surfaces in contact is the most prevalent cause of failure of worm gears. The failure may be prevented or satisfactorily delayed by using proper materials and hardness and finish of the surfaces, maintaining bearing pressure within allowable limits and providing correct lubrication. Because of the lack of a standardized method for determining the load-limit for wear of worm gears at the present writing, further treatment will not be given here.<sup>1</sup>

*Thermal rating of worm gears.* The amount of heat that must be dissipated in a worm drive is equal to the power loss at the gears, *i.e.*,

$$H_1 = 33,000 \times \text{hp} \times (1 - \text{efficiency}) \quad (19-18)$$

where  $H_1$  = power loss, ft-lb per min.

This heat must be dissipated by the gearbox or removed by other means, such as artificial cooling in the form of cooling coils in the housing or external oil coolers. The dissipation of heat from the housing depends on the difference in temperature between the surface of the housing and the surrounding air, *i.e.*, heat-dissipation capacity  $H_2$  in foot-pounds per minute is

$$H_2 = KA(t_1 - t_2) \quad (19-19)$$

where  $A$  = the housing area, sq ft

$t_1$  = the temperature of the lubricant, deg F

$t_2$  = the ambient temperature, deg F

$K$  = the coefficient of heat dissipation, ft-lb per min per sq ft per deg F

The maximum temperature of the lubricant should not exceed 180 F. Values for  $K$  times square feet may be estimated from Fig. 19-14.<sup>2</sup>

**19-11 Forces on worm gears.** The force components on a worm are similar to those on a power screw, since the axial force on a screw corresponds to the axial thrust on the worm, and the tangential force on the screw and on the worm are similar. In addition, the worm drive is subjected to separating forces that tend to force the worm and worm wheel out of mesh. The three force components on the worm are shown in Fig. 19-15 and may be determined as follows:

<sup>1</sup> H. Merritt, Worm Gear Performance, *Proc. Inst. Mech. Engrs. (London)*, vol. 129, p. 127, 1935; see H. Merritt, "Gears," Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Ltd., London, 1943.

<sup>2</sup> V. M. Faires, "Design of Machine Elements," p. 270, The Macmillan Company, New York, 1941; H. Walker, The Thermal Rating of Worm Gear Boxes, *Proc. Inst. Mech. Engrs. (London)*, vol. 151, p. 326, 1944.

$$\text{Tangential force } F_z = \frac{2 \times \text{torque on worm}}{d}$$

$$\text{Axial force on worm } F_y = \frac{F_z}{\tan \lambda}$$

$$\text{Separating force } F_x = F_y \tan \beta$$

The forces on the worm gear are equal in magnitude but opposite in direction to those shown in the figure.

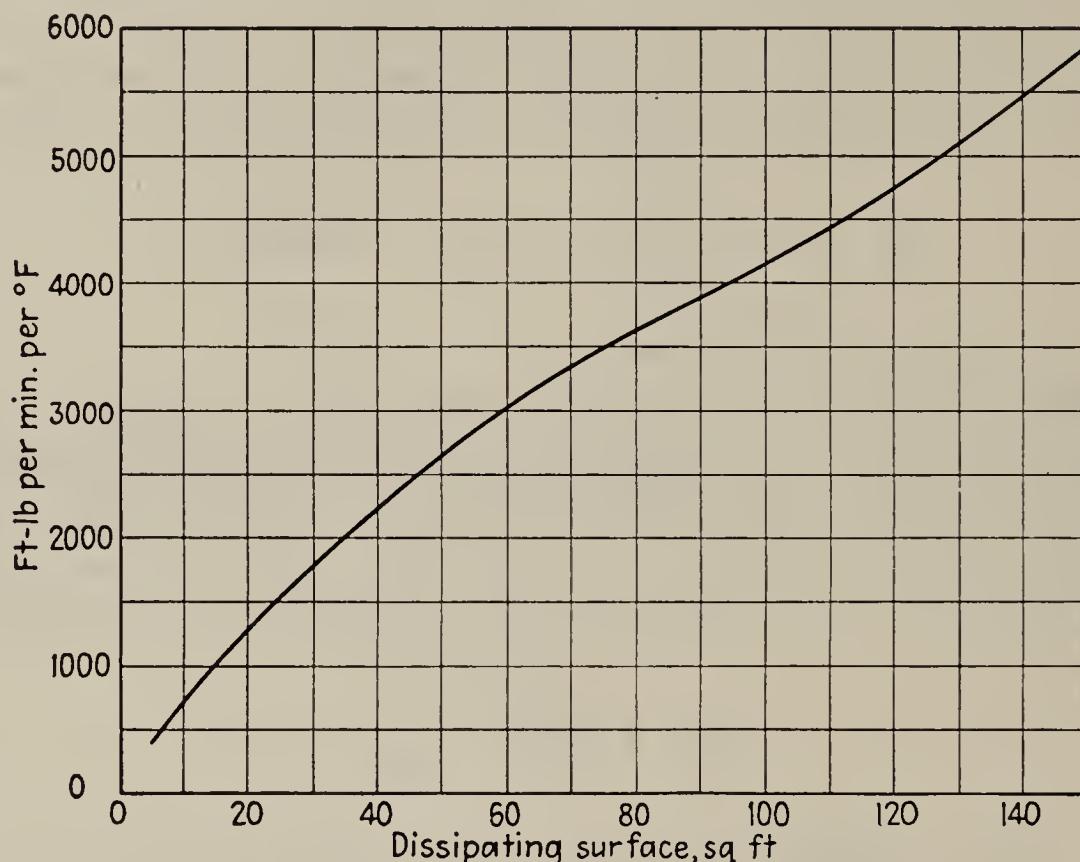


FIG. 19-14. Heat dissipation of worm gearboxes.

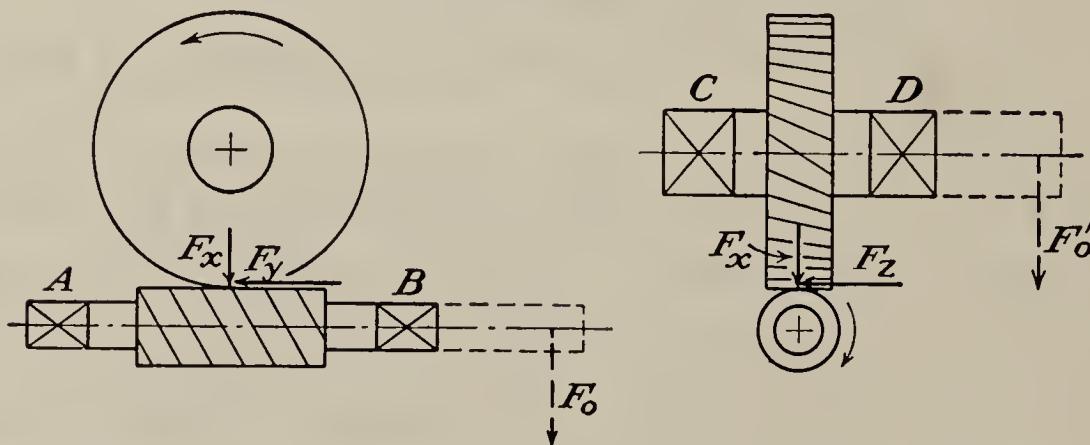


FIG. 19-15. Forces on worm teeth. The forces on the worm-gear teeth are in the opposite direction.

The loads on the worm-shaft bearings may be readily determined by taking moments of the forces  $F_x$ ,  $F_y$ , and  $F_z$  and the overhanging load  $F_o$  due to a gear, chain, or belt. For determining overhanging shaft loads, the AGMA recommends the following factors: chain, 1; gear,  $1\frac{1}{4}$ ; V belt,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; flat belt, 2. If the direction of rotation of the worm and the direction of the overhanging load are not specified, their directions should be

assumed to give the maximum possible loading on the bearings for use in selecting or designing the bearings. The loads on the worm-gear shaft bearings may be similarly determined.

To determine the efficiency of a worm drive, Eq. (12-2) may be used for approximate results, *i.e.*,

$$\text{Efficiency} = \frac{\tan \lambda}{\tan (\lambda + \phi_1)} \quad (19-20)$$

where  $\lambda$  = the lead angle

$\phi_1$  = the friction angle (see Fig. 19-16 and Table 19-3 for values of  $\tan \phi_1$ )

Equation (12-2) was derived for square-threaded screws; hence it does not strictly apply to worms having pressure angles other than zero degrees. The error in using the above equation will be slight, however, for worms of usual pressure angles. The values of the coefficient of friction in Fig. 19-16 include allowance for bearing friction and may be used for design purposes. Figure 12-3 shows the variation of efficiency with the lead angle. Note that the maximum efficiency is secured with a lead angle of 45 deg, but the variation in efficiency is not great for lead angles of 25 to 60 deg. Care must be exercised in design in this instance since the loss in efficiency, *i.e.*, (100 – efficiency), represents the heat that must be dissipated by the gearbox. The difference between 98 and 97 per cent in efficiency is about 1 per cent, but the difference in loss in efficiency is 50 per cent; hence 50 per cent more heat must be dissipated by a gearbox for a 97 per cent efficient drive than for one of 98 per cent efficiency.

**19-12 Mounting of worm gears.** The requirements for mounting worm gears are the same, in general, as for other types of gears except that they are more exacting for worm gears. Since the worm-gear shaft is of relatively large size and its bearings are generally close together, its deflection is usually not excessive. The worm shaft, however, is smaller in diameter because of the low torque it transmits and because the size of the worm shaft should be a minimum because of its great influence on over-all size of the drive. Thus the relatively small worm shaft and the necessary large distance between its bearings make its deflection relatively large.

TABLE 19-3. CORRECTION FACTORS FOR COEFFICIENT OF FRICTION IN FIG. 19-16

For	Working with	Multiply values in chart by
Casehardened steel . . .	Phosphor bronze	1.0
Cast iron. . . . .	Bronze	1.15
Cast iron. . . . .	Cast iron	1.33
Hardened steel. . . . .	Aluminum	1.33
Steel. . . . .	Steel	2.0

It is necessary to limit the deflection of the shafts to avoid excessive heating at the teeth. For this reason, the shafts should be stiff, the bearings well supported, and the housing rigid. It is important also to mount the shafts so that a rise in temperature will not cause the shaft to buckle, which would in turn cause more heating and result in failure of the teeth. Well-mounted worm and worm gears are illustrated in Figs. 22-12 and 22-20.

**19-13 Concluding discussion.** From the considerations of gears in Chaps. 18 and 19, it is striking that there are so many types of gears,

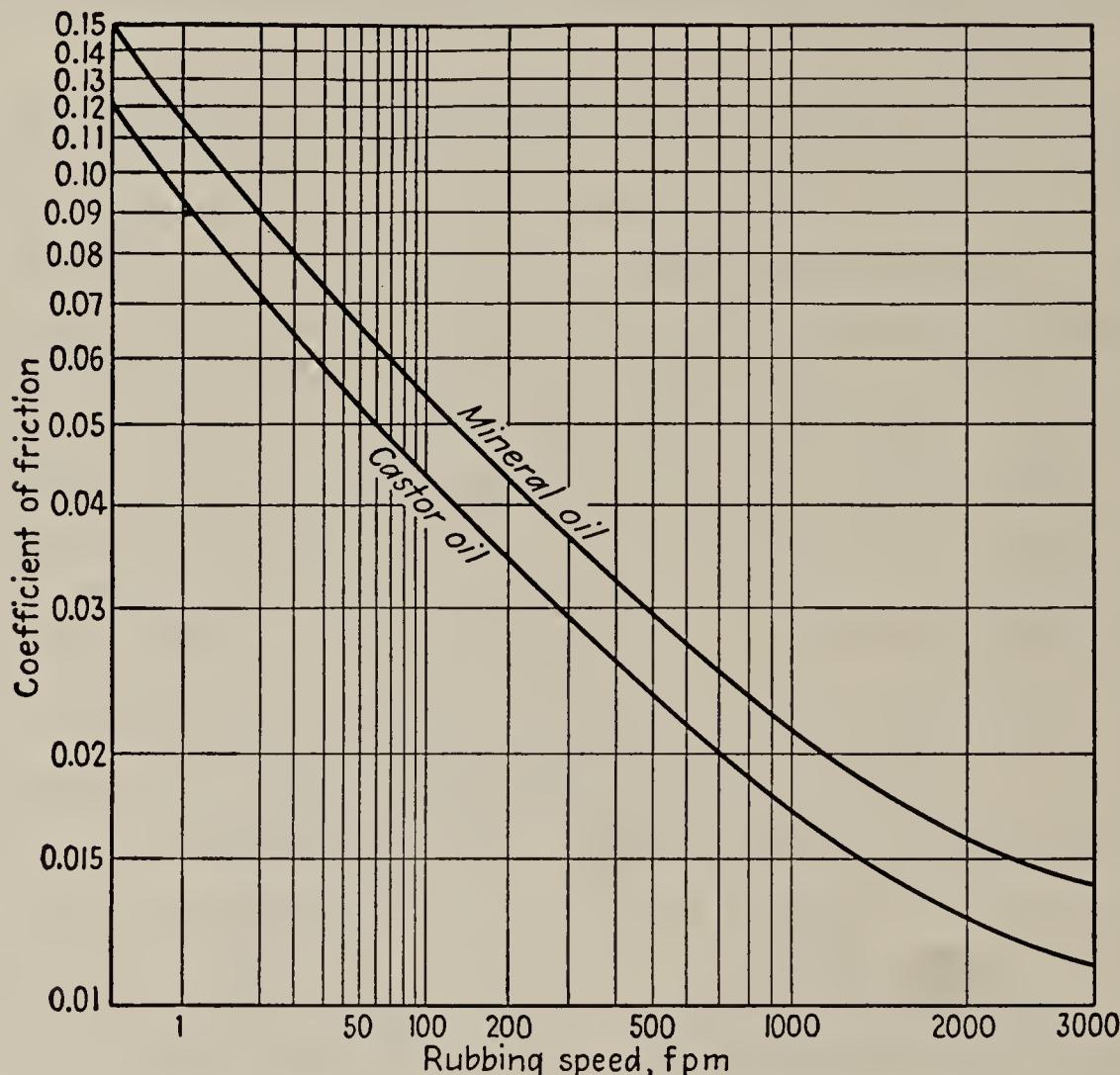


FIG. 19-16. Coefficient of friction for worm gears (see Table 19-3). (*From Merritt, "Gears," Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Ltd., London, 1943.*)

classes of applications, and modes of failure. The development of the many types of gears has been necessitated by the different requirements in the various fields, as the automotive, aircraft, marine, industrial, and other fields. As an illustration of a special application of gears, a differential gear drive for a Gravure press is shown in Fig. 19-17. The input shaft is connected to the main way shaft of the press and there may be as many as six or more of these differential gearboxes each coupled to the main way shaft. The output shaft extends through the differential assembly as shown, and the only gear keyed to it is the 35-tooth helical gear. The 50-tooth hypoid gear and the differential spider carrying the adjusting worm gear and the 22-tooth and 23-tooth helical gears all float

on the output shaft, which is supported on bearings outside the gears. The adjusting gear and the worm (not shown) are used to justify the rolls to ensure aligned copy.

As to modes of failure, there are three common ones, namely, fracture of the teeth, excessive wear of the teeth, and failure of the lubricant.

Fracture of the teeth may be due to large shock loads and/or to exceeding the fatigue life of the material (see Fig. 3-14). This type of failure is not common.

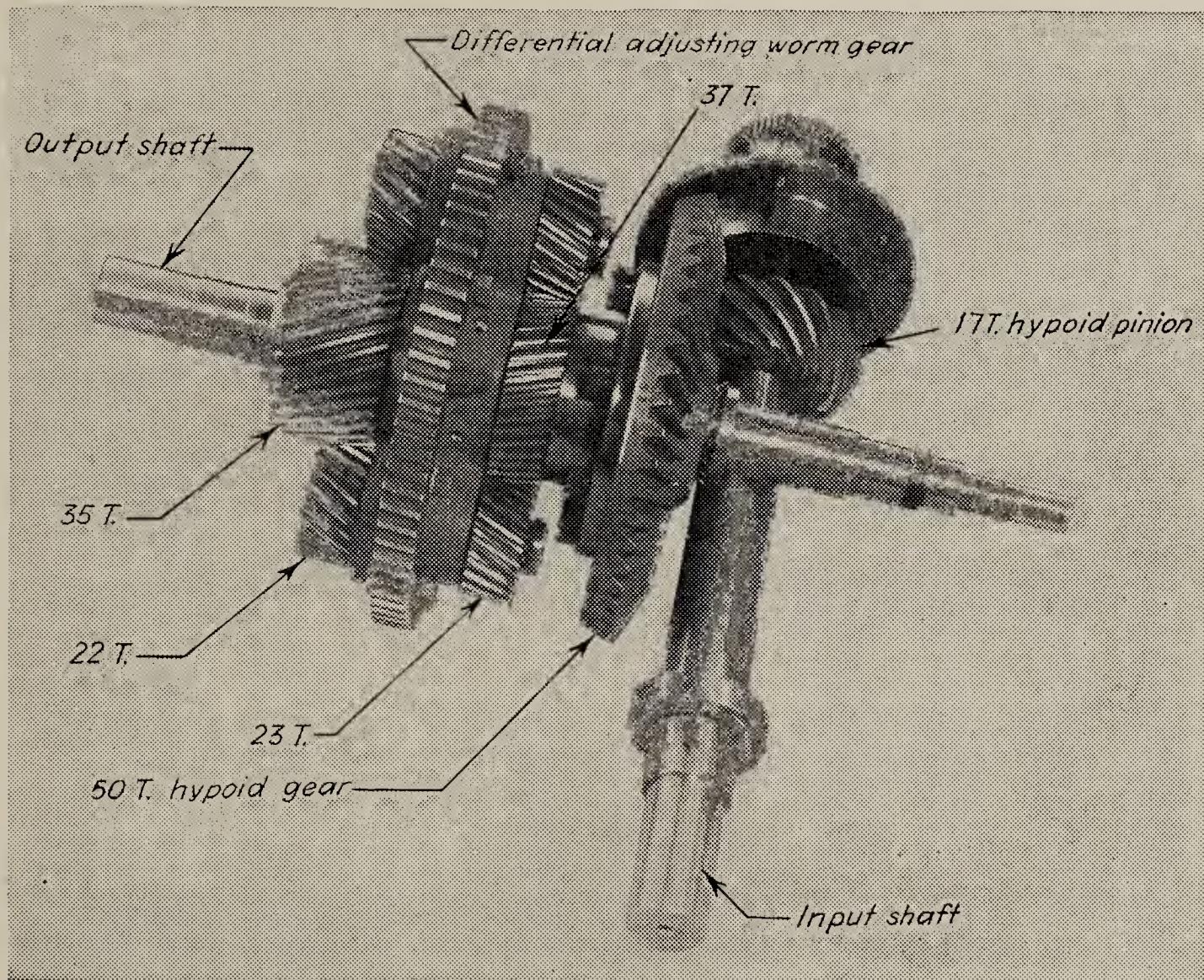


FIG. 19-17. Differential gear drive for Gravure press. (Courtesy of Kidder Press Company.)

Wear is a cumulative process and may be satisfactorily delayed by proper design of the teeth, including limiting the contact pressure and using proper lubrication. A lubricant is coming to be classed as a material of engineering the same as steel, and rightly so. As an example, the wrong grease in the differential housing of an automobile would probably lead to failure of the hypoid gears within a few blocks of travel, and the automobile would be immobilized the same as if the drive shaft broke.

The temperature of the lubricant for gears may be controlled by cooling by convection of heat from the gear housing, using cooling fins, or by the use of forced air or fluid cooling if necessary.

The AGMA standards are available for strength and durability ratings for spur, helical, and herringbone gears, straight and spiral bevel gears, for the durability of cylindrical and double-enveloping worm gears, and for the thermal ratings of enclosed helical and herringbone, bevel, and worm-gear units. The standards are used for rating of gear drives. They are precise and should be read carefully including, like legal papers, the fine print.

## CHAPTER 20

### SURFACE FINISH, FRICTION, AND WEAR

**20-1 Surface irregularities.** The deviations of the actual surface of a body from its nominal surface may be classified as follows:<sup>1</sup> (1) *Waviness*, as characterized by more or less regular and recurrent deviations of the nature of waves is shown in Fig. 20-1(a). (2) *Roughness*, as shown at (b), is characterized by small irregular deviations, as may be felt when the fingernail is drawn over a ground surface. (3) *Surface flaws*, as shown at (c), generally occur at random intervals, for instance, scratches, checks, etc., and are frequently caused by the processing operations. (4) A surface with all three types of deviations is shown at (d). (5) *Lay* means the direction of the predominant surface pattern.

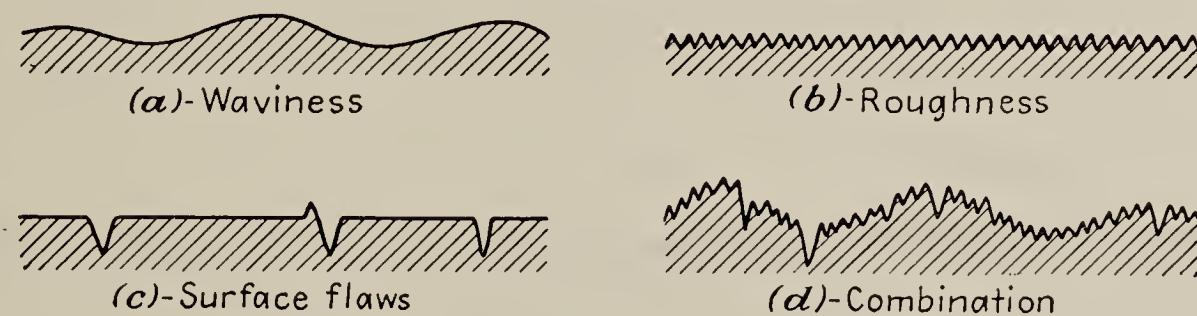


FIG. 20-1. Types of surface irregularities.

**20-2 Measurement of surface deviations.** There are a number of methods that have been devised for measuring surface roughness, or the degree to which a surface deviates from a plane. None of these methods is entirely satisfactory, but the commonly used ones, as described below, yield reasonably consistent readings, and on a comparative basis are valuable for judging the surface-finishing methods and for controlling production.

The *profilograph* is a laboratory instrument in which a stylus with a sharp tracer point with a tip radius of 0.00005 in. is delicately held against and normal to the surface being measured, and then is drawn over the surface at a rate of approximately 0.001 in. per sec. The movement of the stylus is magnified by a reflected light beam and is recorded on a moving sensitized film. Thus a graph is secured that is an indication of the approximate profile of the surface. Since the tracer point has a finite

<sup>1</sup> See Surface Roughness, Waviness, and Lay, ASA B46.1-1947.

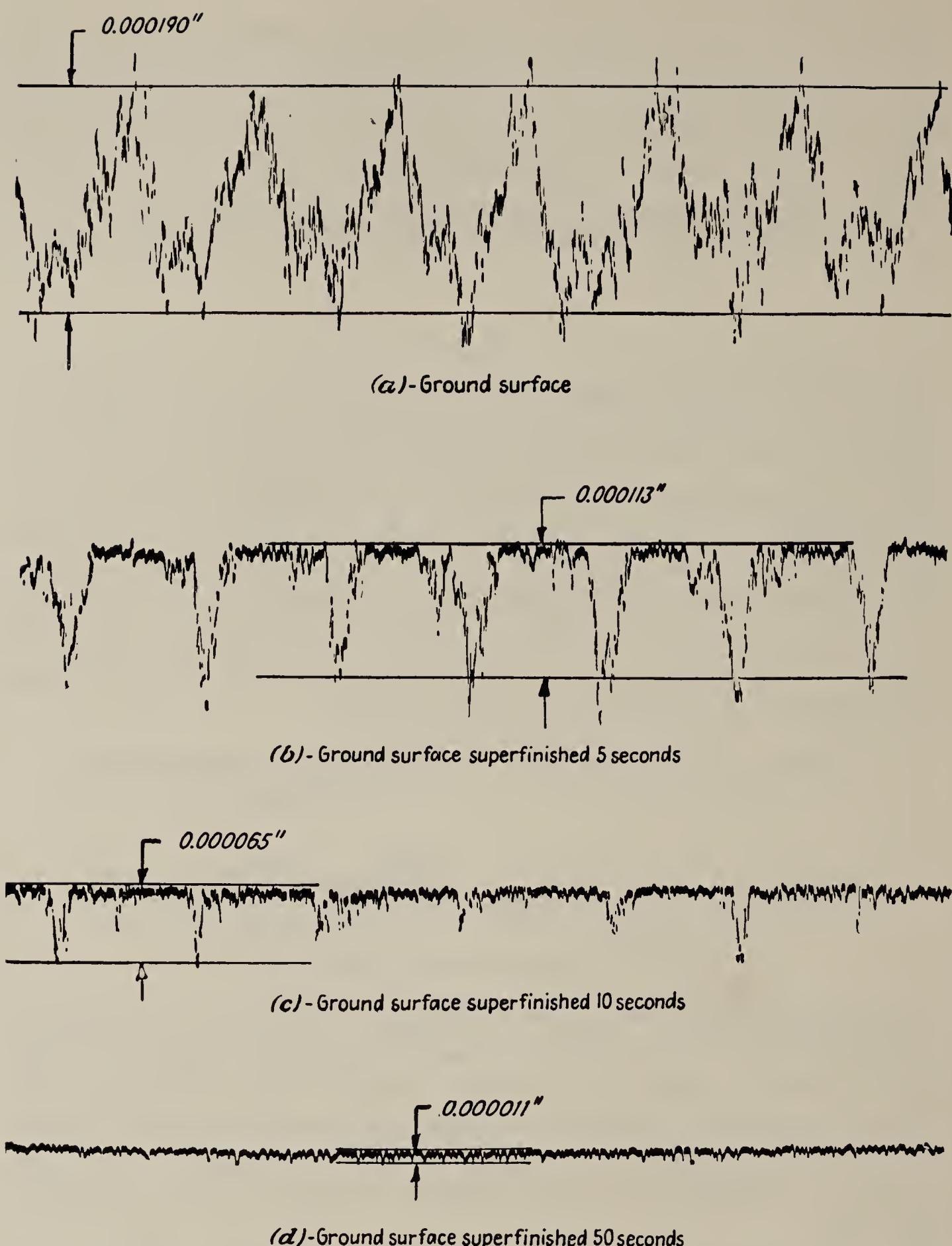


FIG. 20-2. Series of profilographs, each representing about  $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. linear travel of stylus over the surface. (Courtesy of Chrysler Corporation.)

radius, and since it cannot explore beneath overhanging projections, the trueness of the graph is thereby affected. A surface which is described by 5 microinches (abbreviated  $5 \mu\text{in.}$ ) irregularity by a profilograph means that the graph indicates a distance from the highest peak to the lowest valley which is equal to 5 millionths of an inch. A series of profilographs is shown in Fig. 20-2.

The *profilometer* is similar to the profilograph in that a tracer point is used. It differs, however, in that the motion of the stylus normal to the surface is translated into electric voltage which is amplified by a cathode-ray oscillograph arranged to record motions on a moving film. The record on the film is not a graph of the surface but it indicates the "running average of surface deviations," *i.e.*, a root-mean-square value (rms). Thus 5  $\mu$ in. by a profilometer (recorded as 5  $\mu$ in., rms) means that the square root of the average of the squares of a number of deviations is 5 millionths of an inch. It is thus apparent that the number of micro-inches as recorded by a profilograph and by a profilometer cannot be compared directly; however, each is an indication of the irregularities of a surface. The profilometer is a portable instrument.

A recent development is the *Surfagage* (General Motors) which measures the arithmetic mean value of surface deviations rather than the rms value. The Surfagage is a portable tracer-type instrument which converts the motion of the stylus normal to the surface through a thin viscous fluid film in shear to a transducer tube. The amplified impulses yield the arithmetic mean value which may be read directly on the gauge.

The arithmetic mean value is preferred by some manufacturers since it is felt that it is easier for production and inspection personnel to understand readily its significance; also it is closer to what may become the international standard. The British standard now uses the arithmetic mean value. Fortunately, the difference between the two readings is small; for most machine surfaces the arithmetic mean is about 10 per cent less than the rms value.

Other methods<sup>1</sup> of determining surface irregularities are the Brush surface analyzer, the electrical profile recorder, piezoelectric pickup, reflection of light from surface, profile photomicrographs (which requires plating of the surface), and the surface dynamometer.

**20-3 Damage to surfaces due to finishing.** It is evident from metallographic analyses that the structure of a crystalline metal is changed by the machining process to an appreciable distance below the surface. In some of these processes, such as turning, planing, shaping, milling, and rough grinding, a damaged layer of considerable depth remains on the part as a result of the operations. An ideal finishing process is one that removes the damaged layer and produces a geometrically true surface without introducing a new damaged layer. Some of the finishing processes, such as fine grinding and honing, produce a surface that has only small irregularities, *i.e.*, a good finish; but at the same time generally introduce a new damaged layer from a metallographic standpoint.

The two main types of surface damage will now be discussed, including

<sup>1</sup> A. M. Swigert, "Story of Superfinish," pp. 91 ff., Lynn Publishing Company, Detroit, Mich., 1940; Surface Finish, ASME, 1942.

some features of the surface-finishing methods that avoid these damaging actions.

*Metallurgical damage.* The high pressure required and the high temperature produced by grinding cause a change in structure of an annealed steel specimen, indicated in Fig. 20-3. Fine grinding affects the structure to a distance of the order of 0.001 cm below the surface.

This depth of damage is not surprising in view of the high temperatures, well above 2000 F, regardless of whether or not a coolant is used. The

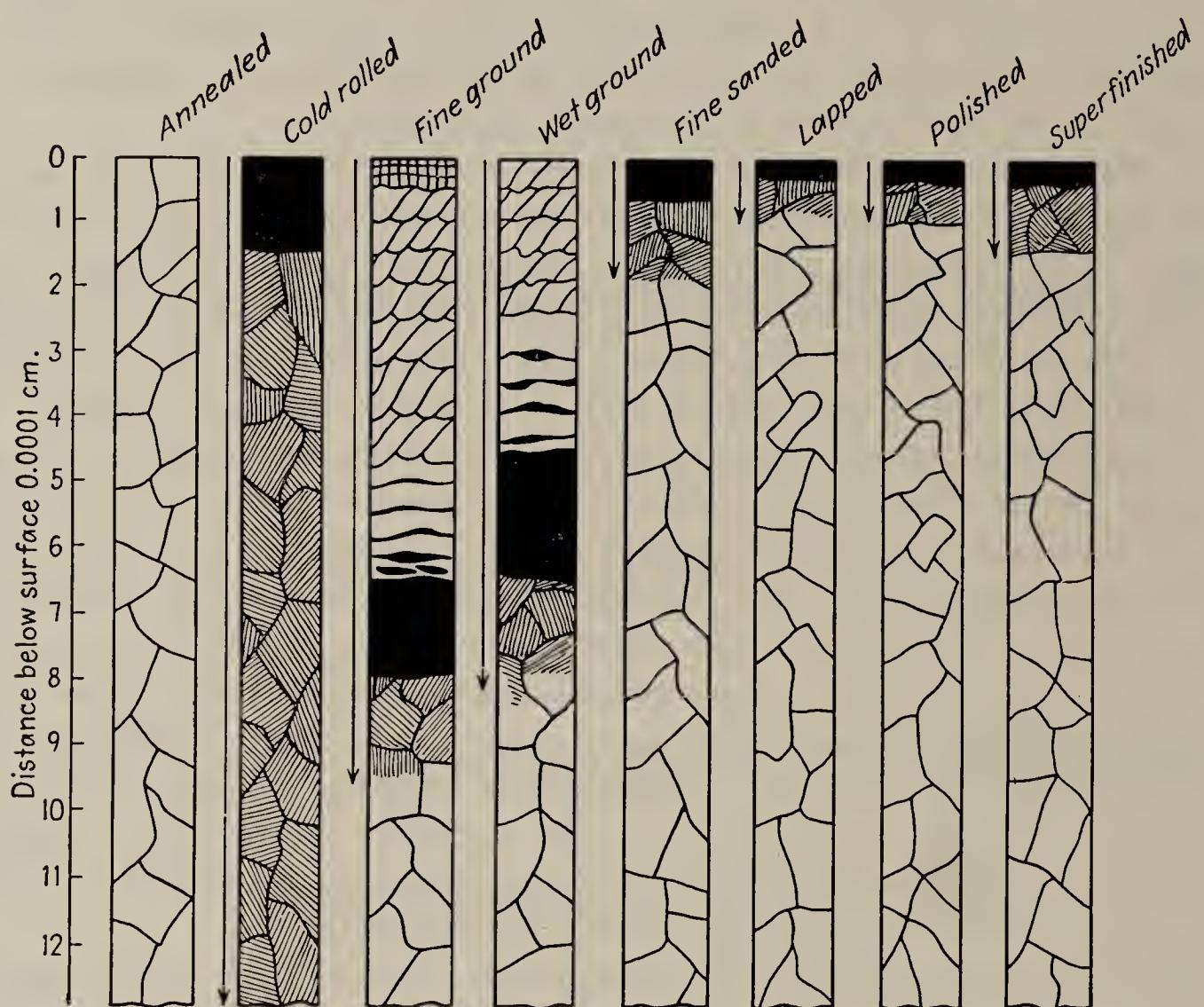


FIG. 20-3. Metallurgical effects of surface-finishing methods. Arrows show depth of damage. (From J. Wulff, *Proceedings of Special Summer Conferences on Friction and Surface Finish*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1940, p. 14.)

wet grinding affected the surface only about 0.0007 cm below the surface. The last three finishes shown, *i.e.*, lapped, polished, and superfinished, affected the surface about 0.0001 cm, a very thin layer, since the pressures and temperatures were low.

*Mechanical damage.* When a metal-cutting tool, such as a planer tool, makes a cut, the chip that is formed curls over the leading edge of the tool. Since the chip is newly cut metal at high temperature, it removes any film of lubricant or oxide from the face of the tool and produces conditions favorable for particles of the chip to adhere to the tool. Under some

conditions a sizable accumulation of metal will build up at the cutting edge of the tool, and will result in the so-called "built-up edge," as illustrated in Fig. 20-4. This built-up edge will grow until it becomes so large that it breaks off owing to the cutting forces. Thus the built-up edge periodically forms and breaks off in more or less regular cycles. The built-up edge has the effect of changing the shape of the tool point and likewise the form of the surface being machined and is one cause of the

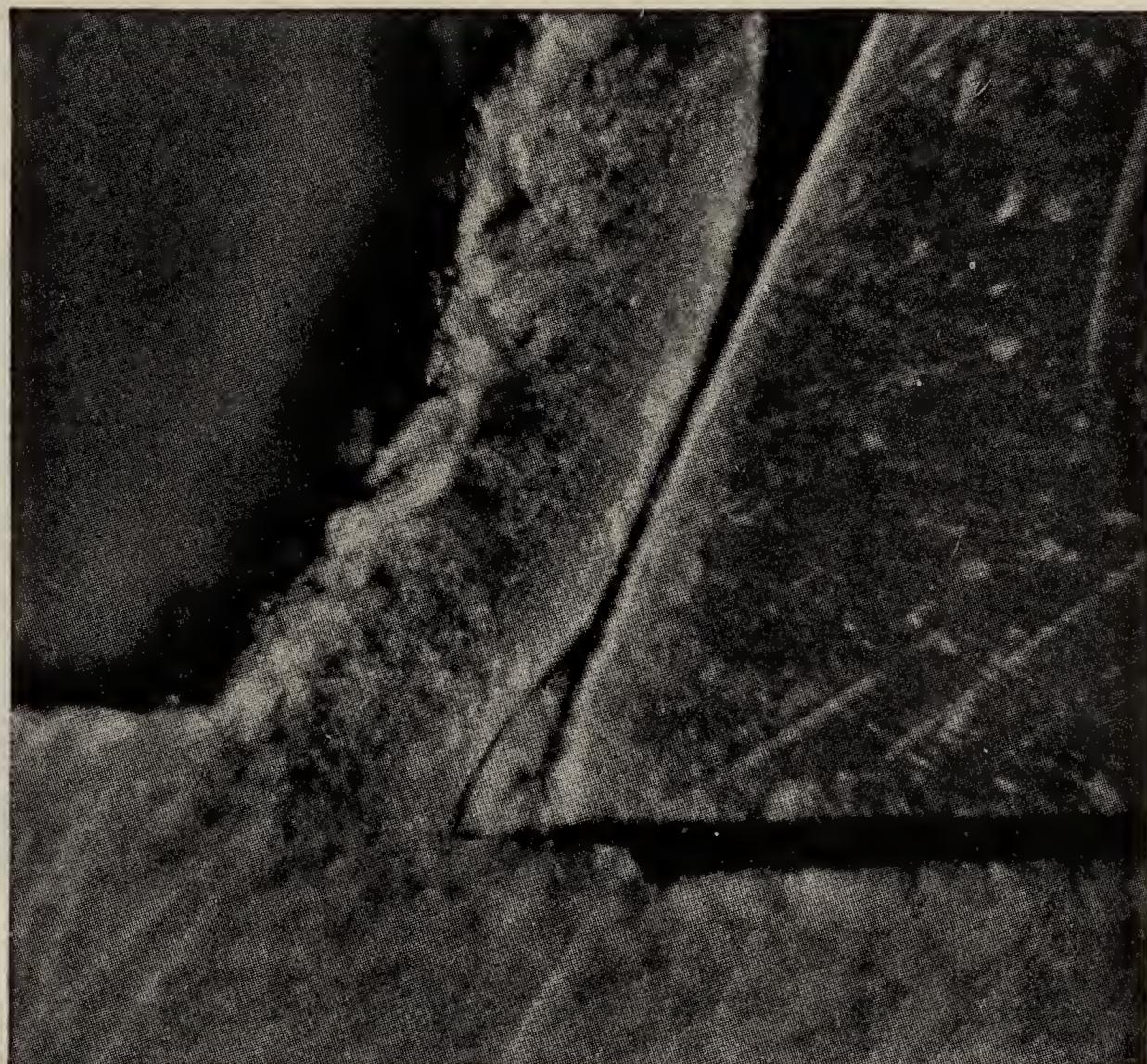


FIG. 20-4. Built-up edge on planer tool. (*Courtesy of Cincinnati Milling and Grinding Machine Company.*)

familiar cross marks on machined surfaces, as shown by Fig. 20-5. To reduce such irregularities, finer cuts may be taken, but the built-up edge will always be present even though reduced in size. The built-up edges may appear in all metal-cutting tools, such as planers, shapers, milling cutters, etc.

In the use of a grinding wheel made of a bonded abrasive, cutting is performed by small projections of the abrasive. Small built-up edges or points may appear at the cutting edges or points of such cutters. This is one reason for the lines that appear on ground surfaces in the direction of the path of the abrasive over the piece.

In lapping, the motion of the lap should not be one direction as in scrubbing but should periodically change direction, thus removing the built-up points on the abrasive before they have an opportunity to reach a damaging size. One reason for the perfection of the superfinishing process is that the motion of the abrasive stone is random, *i.e.*, continually changing in direction, thus avoiding built-up points on the abrasive.

**20-4 Production of smooth surfaces.** The production of a smooth surface is necessarily a step-by-step process. First, rough machining followed by fine machining is necessary to bring the part to approximate dimensions. Then the part may be rough-ground, followed by fine grinding. In the latter operation, the dimensional accuracy of the part is established. For the finishing operation, the part may then be honed

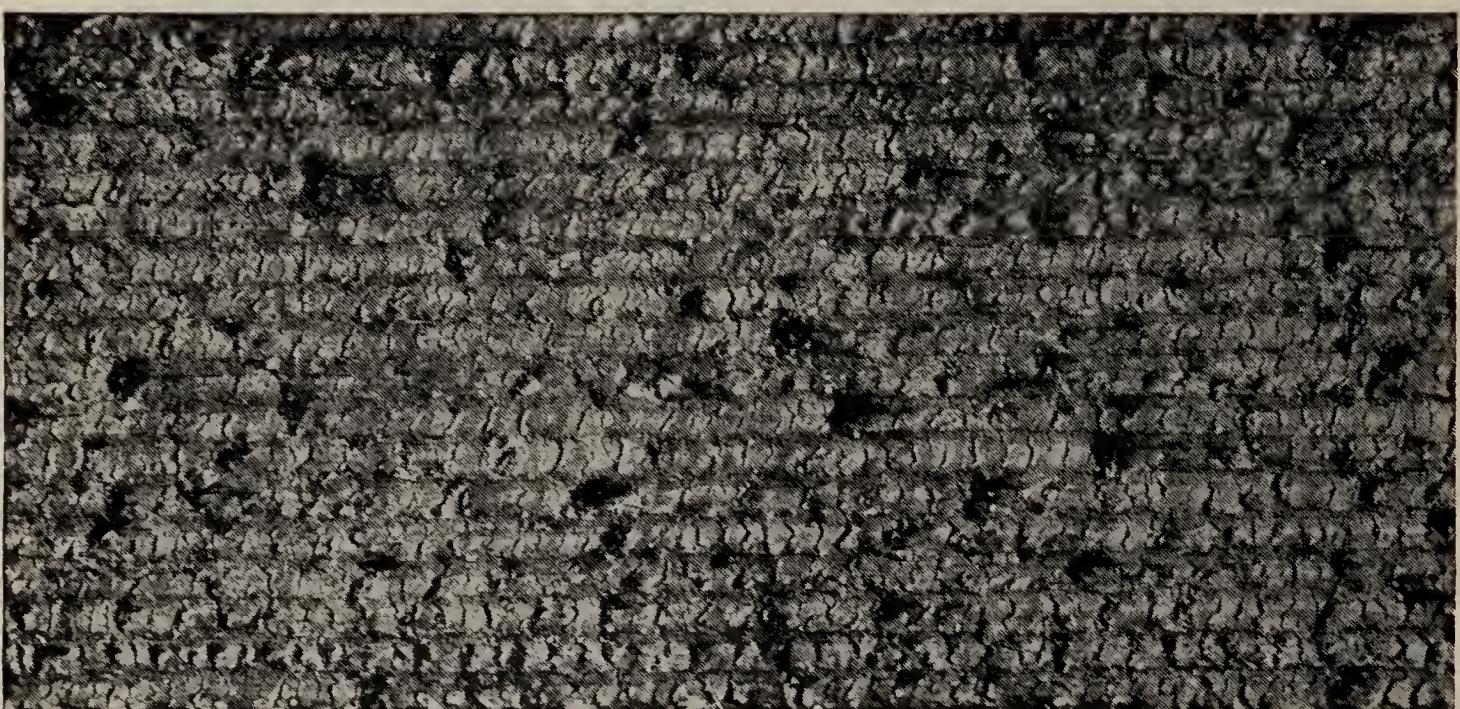


FIG. 20-5. Planed surface showing effects of built-up edge.

lapped, or superfinished. These operations are similar in that during the passage of the abrasive element over the surface, the high points of the surface are removed and the surface gradually approaches one without irregularities (see Fig. 20-2).

In honing, a relatively high pressure is used and a corresponding high temperature at the surface is developed. The combination of high temperature and pressure usually damages the material below the surface being produced; also, in the absence of a sufficient degree of *random motion* of the stone, built-up points may cause mechanical damage to the surface. A lubricant is necessary in honing to cool the surface.

In lapping, the peaks of the surface irregularities are progressively removed, as in honing; but since the pressure between the lap and the work is comparatively low and the motion slow, a new damaged layer will not be introduced. Also, since the motion is random, scratches due to built-up points are avoided. In hand lapping a considerable time may be necessary to finish a surface.

Superfinishing is similar to lapping except that the relative motion of the abrasive stone and the part is the result of from three to six separate superimposed motions so that the path of a particular abrasive point over the work is very complicated—so-called “multimotion.” The pressure is relatively low, being of the order of a few ounces per square inch. A continuous flow of lubricant is used to flush away particles of the abrasive.

When the irregularities are removed, the lubricant forms a continuous fluid film over the surface that prevents further finishing, and the operation will cease. Thus the superfinishing process produces a surface that has only small irregularities, within a few microinches of a true surface, and one that is metallurgically and mechanically undamaged base material to within less than a microinch of the surface. In production, less than a minute is required to superfinish a surface to within  $2 \mu\text{in. rms}$ .

The surface that is described above is useful in reducing wear. This is true since there will not be large surface irregularities to promote failure of the oil film under adverse conditions of load and speed. Also, for finely finished surfaces, the wear which takes place during the life of the machine is greatly reduced, so that it is possible to make the parts originally with the clearances which are required for the best operating conditions instead of being forced to use too small clearances when the parts are new and too large clearances after wear has taken place.

In Table 20-1 are shown some surface-finish values which are obtainable in various machined and natural finishes.

TABLE 20-1.

Finish or surface	Roughness, rms										
	1000	500	250	125	63	32	16	8	4	2	1
Cutting torch, chip and saw											
Hand grind											
Disk grind, file											
Lathe, shaper, mill											
Bore											
Drill											
Surface grind											
Cylindrical grind											
Hone or lap											
Polish											
Superfinish											
Sand cast surface											
Forging											
Rolled surface											
Die castings											
Extrusions											

Increased smoothness  
Increased cost

**20-5 Specification of surface finish.** Improvement in performance of many machines requires finer finished surfaces, and therefore it has become necessary to establish standard methods for designating surface finishes. ASA Standard B46-1 uses a designation system to grade surface roughness as rms values from 0.00000025 in. ( $\frac{1}{4}$   $\mu$ in.) to 0.063 in. (63,000  $\mu$ in.) in 13 steps. A designating symbol is used on the drawing, for example,  $f^4$  indicates that the surface is to be finished so that its roughness is limited to a maximum of 4  $\mu$ in., rms.

It has been shown, however, that surfaces of the same material finished to the same degree of roughness but by different methods sometimes behave differently with respect to fatigue strength, friction, wear, and corrosion. This is true because other characteristics of the surface than its roughness affect the performance. Among these are (a) direction of irregularities in the surface plane called *lay* and (b) the pattern of the irregularities. In some instances, therefore, it is desirable to specify the finishing method as well as the degree of roughness.

Sets of machine-finished specimens or their replicas are available on the market. These are used in a comparative manner so that the surface specified by the designer may be produced by the shop mechanic and checked by the inspector.<sup>1</sup> In this system, 10 steps of roughness are designated by the usual finish symbol with an attached number and, when desirable, the finishing method, for example, "f<sup>4</sup> buff," where the 4 represents the degree of smoothness.

*Roughness-width cutoff.* In some applications it is desirable to distinguish between roughness and waviness of the part in specifying the surface finish. As an example, where the contact area between two mating surfaces is important, waviness and roughness both are significant, the former to ensure uniform pressure between the parts, and the latter to aid in maintaining the film of lubricant and in controlling wear. In this case a relatively long distance should be used in obtaining the surface-finish value. As another example, in a part subjected to cyclic loading, surface scratches and roughness are dangerous as stress raisers, and in this case waviness is unimportant. Here, a short distance may be used to inspect the surface irregularities. The distance over which the surface irregularities are to be averaged to obtain the surface-finish value is known as *roughness-width cutoff*. Standard cutoffs are 0.003, 0.010, 0.030, 0.100, and 1.000 in. The value preferred for most applications is 0.030 in.

A complete indication of surface finish is shown by the symbols in Fig. 20-6. In (a), one number denotes average roughness. Two numbers in (b) show maximum and minimum roughness values. The waviness-height rating in inches is added at (c), and at (d) the 0.01 value

<sup>1</sup> Walter Mikelson, Surface Finishes, *Gen. Elec. Rev.*, vol. 46, no. 3, p. 185, 1943

is the roughness-width cutoff value, and the *lay* is indicated as perpendicular to the edge. Other symbols for lay are two parallel lines to indicate parallel to edge of surface indicated, *X* for angular in both directions, *C* for approximately circular pattern relative to center of piece, *M* for multidirectional and *R* approximately radial relative to center.

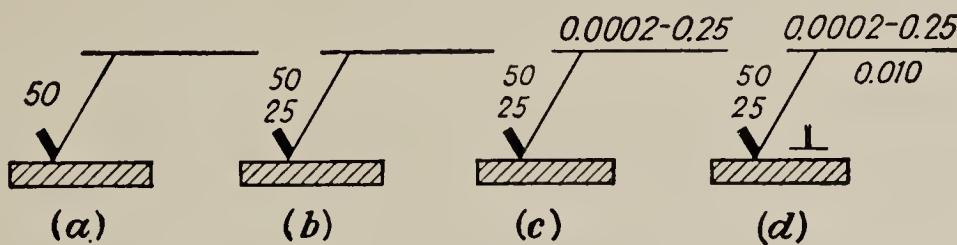


FIG. 20-6. Surface-finish symbol.

**20-6 Effects of surface finish on friction and wear.** When two surfaces are pressed together, a force parallel to the surfaces is necessary to cause sliding or relative motion of the two surfaces. The sliding force is opposed by a force acting along the surfaces that is called the force of friction.

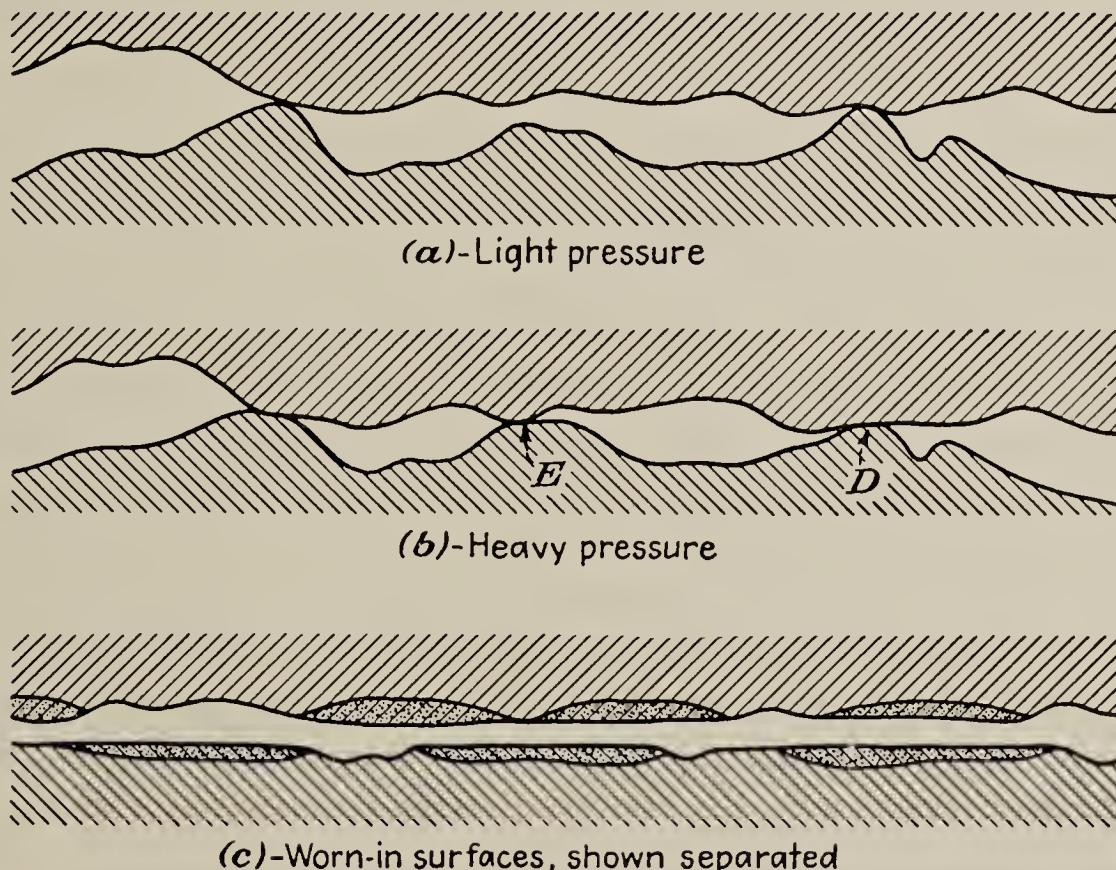


FIG. 20-7. Contact between two bodies.

To understand what causes metal-to-metal friction and why it is associated with wear, consider two bodies with irregular surfaces held together with light pressure. The peaks of the irregularities will be in contact, as shown exaggerated in Fig. 20-7(a). Now when the surfaces are pressed together, the pressure at the contacting peaks will be high because of the small contact areas, and the material at these points may undergo flow

as shown in (b) in the figure. The pressure at which this flow occurs is known as the "pressure of fluidity."<sup>1</sup>

If now one body is slid relative to the other, two things will probably occur. One is that interlocking projections, as at *D* in the figure, may be detached in more or less sizable particles. This constitutes wear. The other is that at locations as at *E* the local regions under the action of the high pressure may be smeared over to fill in adjacent valleys. The combination of these two actions, after considerable "wearing in" has taken place, may result in surfaces shown separated in Fig. 20-7(c) in which the dotted regions represent parts of the surface that have undergone plastic flow known as "smear metal." This latter may cover most or all of the contacting surfaces and if the wearing in process has been gradual to avoid galling, the surface may be relatively smooth and hard and satisfactory from the standpoint of wear under mild service conditions. However if the service is severe, the metallurgically damaged surfaces may not withstand the high pressures, and rapid wear may be the result.

It is evident from the above discussion that the resistance to motion, or force of friction, is dependent on the materials of the surfaces and their finish. Also as the surfaces become "worn in," frictional resistance changes.

Another condition that affects the friction and wear properties of the surfaces is the presence or absence of a lubricant. The above discussion has implied clean surfaces, *i.e.*, surfaces free from a fluid film of lubricant or from an adsorbed film. The adsorbed film forms on newly finished surfaces by a combination with the surface of cutting oils or fluids or from handling or even from condensed atmospheric vapors. The adsorbed film is nearly always present on metallic surfaces so that the friction of two surfaces in contact is rarely due to base metal in contact with base metal. In experimental work where it is necessary to remove this film, cleaning with solvents is not sufficient, and it is necessary to resort to mechanical means, such as the use of rouge compounds.

From the work of Langmuir<sup>2</sup> it may be stated that films of extraordinary stability consisting of a layer of atoms chemically combined with the underlying atoms of the solid and, according to later work, molecules under the surface are affected so that an adsorbed film of more than one molecule thick is produced.

**20-7 Types of wear and its measurement.** In order to control wear in a machine, the designer must give consideration to the materials of

<sup>1</sup> H. O'Neill, "Hardness of Metals and Its Measurement," p. 132, Chapman & Hall, Ltd., London, 1934; F. P. Bowden and D. Tabor, "The Friction and Lubrication of Solids," Oxford University Press, New York, 1950.

<sup>2</sup> Irving Langmuir, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, vol. 49, p. 1852, 1917.

which the parts are made, their initial surfaces, and the operating conditions of the rubbing parts. In this treatment, the recognized types of wear will be discussed briefly and methods suggested for their alleviation. It should be remembered, however, that the various mechanisms of wear, which are relatively simple in themselves, seldom occur independently, but are usually the result of combinations which take place either simultaneously or in sequence.

*Cutting wear.* This type of wear takes place when a hard material with a rough surface rubs over a softer one. Experience shows that the softer material is worn away in a manner similar to cutting in a machining operation. It is apparent that the rate of cutting wear depends on the relative hardness of the materials in contact, the smoothness of the surfaces, and the velocity of rubbing. Because of the use of hard materials and smooth surfaces, this type of wear in machines is relatively unimportant.

*Abrasive wear.* When a particle of grit is carried between two surfaces, abrasive wear may occur. If the material of one of the surfaces is soft, the particle of grit may be completely embedded in the surface and no wear will be caused. If the material of the surfaces in contact is somewhat harder, however, the particle of grit may become partly embedded therein and act as an abrasive, causing scoring of the mating surfaces. It is interesting to note that in abrasive wear, the harder of the two materials of the rubbing parts is worn. If the materials of the surfaces in contact are very hard, so that the particle of grit will not be embedded in either, the particle will roll between the surfaces and they may be scored but not seriously damaged.

Abrasive wear thus depends on the relative hardness of *three* materials, *i.e.*, of the two surfaces and of the grit. Wear of this type is very complicated and can be controlled only by a judicious choice of the hardness of the rubbing parts and by excluding grit from the surfaces so far as possible by using devices such as dust screens and oil filters.

*Wear due to galling.* When two surfaces that are absolutely clean are pressed together, mating portions of the surfaces in contact may adhere so that when the surfaces are separated or one slid on the other sizable pieces may be torn away, producing what is known as "galling." If the materials are hard, the galled spots may be small, but if the materials are soft the galling may extend over a large area. Since the sticking together that is referred to is of the nature of local welding, the tendency for galling is greater at high pressures and high temperatures.

In machine parts, the surfaces are seldom clean because of the presence of the adsorbed film. While the adsorbed film may be only a few molecules in thickness, it is sufficient to prevent clean metal-to-metal contact. Only when the conditions of pressure and temperature are effective in breaking through the adsorbed film is galling likely to occur. It has been

found, however, that grit in the lubricant between very smooth surfaces is frequently the cause of removing the adsorbed film and thus promoting galling. For this reason, if finely finished surfaces are used, it is more important to ensure clean lubricant than with rougher surfaces. The presence of 0.01 per cent of grit in a lubricant has been found to promote galling of a lapped steel surface so that it becomes no better than a ground one.

The antigalling characteristic of cast iron is due principally to the graphite, which serves to maintain the adsorbed film. An approach to this condition is attempted in smooth surfaces of hard steel parts by subjecting the surface to a brief sandblast in order to provide small widely separated reservoirs for the lubricant.

Galling (known also as "scuffing") is found frequently in gear teeth, screw threads, cam followers, piston rings, cylinder bores, and splines.

*Mechanical pitting.* When a roller or ball rolls over a surface, pits in the surface may appear if the surface endurance limit of the materials in contact is exceeded. Pitting is classified as a type of wear and may lead to failure of gear teeth, balls, rollers, etc. (see Art. 3-8 for a discussion of mechanical pitting).

*Corrosive wear.* This type of destruction is due to chemical action and in general causes decrease in sizes of members when a protecting film is not formed by the results of corrosion. Corrosion generally accelerates other types of wear, although galling is frequently retarded by corrosion. Corrosion may be due to active chemicals or gases, water, brine, etc. Special attention should be paid to corrosive agents in lubricant oil.

In addition to the type of corrosion mentioned above, other types are galvanic corrosion caused by the action of a liquid on the adjacent surfaces of two unlike metals, and "concentration-cell" corrosion caused by the action of a fluid of nonuniform concentration affecting the surface.

*Measurement of wear.* Since the actual quantity of material removed by wear is usually very small, measurement of wear may be difficult. Relatively large wear may be determined by comparison of the dimensions of the parts as measured by a micrometer before and after wear. In the laboratory, wear of small parts may be determined by comparing weights before and after wearing. In service, a wear gauge may be used. One type (the McKee wear gauge)<sup>1</sup> makes use of a small indentation in the surface. The indentation is a diamond-shaped pyramidal, shown in Fig. 20-8. The length of the indentation is measured with a microscope. The difference between the lengths before and after wear has taken place is a measure of the wear normal to the surface. The method may be used

<sup>1</sup> C. S. Bruce and J. T. Duck, Cylinder Wear Measured with a Microscope, *SAE Quart. Trans.*, vol. 1, no. 3, July, 1947.

for flat or curved surfaces. It is stated that the sensitivity of this gauge is 0.000015 in.

The *radioactivity method* for measuring wear has been developed to a high degree of sensitivity. In this method, the part whose wear is to be measured is irradiated; then during test the wear particles pass into the lubricant and the concentration of wear particles in samples of the lubricant can be very accurately determined as a measure of rate of wear. The method requires elaborate laboratory preparations for handling the equipment and for safety of the personnel, but it is precise and does not require dismantling of the parts being tested for measurements.

Under conditions of boundary lubrication (see Art. 21-6) in which a *thin film* of lubricant is present at the surfaces in contact, friction and wear

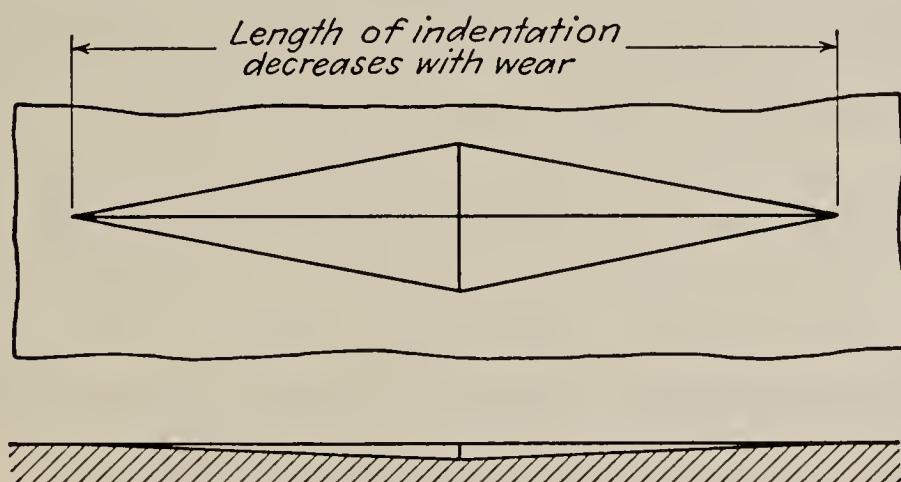


FIG. 20-8. Shape of indentation of McKee wear gauge. Original length slightly less than 1 mm.

do not follow either laws for dry or for lubricated (thick film) conditions. Wear under these circumstances is markedly affected by the composition of the lubricant as well as the material of the surfaces. This field is under extensive investigation since wear of machine parts is largely under these conditions. The references<sup>1</sup> below give results of research work to date on this subject.

**20-8 Solid friction.** When two solids are pressed together, a force parallel to their surfaces in contact is necessary to cause sliding or relative motion. This force is resisted by a force acting along the surfaces that is known as the "force of friction."

If the surfaces are clean and dry, the solid material of the two surfaces will be in contact, and the force of friction will be caused by the overcoming of the interlocking effect of the surface irregularities. These irregularities may be large, as in visibly rough surfaces, or they may be of molecular size.

<sup>1</sup> Andrew Gemant, "Frictional Phenomena," Chemical Publishing Company, Inc., New York, 1950; F. P. Bowden and D. Tabor, "The Friction and Lubrication of Solids," Oxford University Press, New York, 1950; John T. Burwell, Jr. (editor), "Mechanical Wear," American Society for Metals, 1950.

In connection with Coulomb's laws, it is important to remember that they apply to surfaces that are *clean and dry*. In determining solid frictional resistance by experiment, the surfaces should be thoroughly cleaned to remove all contamination, including the adsorbed film. Since the adsorbed film is very difficult to remove completely, many experimental results reported for friction characteristics of clean surfaces were in reality determined for partly clean surfaces. This fact probably accounts in part for the variation in values as quoted by different experimenters.

For solid friction of clean surfaces, the laws of Coulomb apply and are stated as follows:<sup>1</sup>

1. The frictional resistance is approximately proportional to the load on the rubbing surfaces.
2. The frictional resistance is slightly greater for large areas and small pressures than for small areas and large pressures.
3. The frictional resistance, except for low speeds, decreases as the velocity increases.

These laws of friction may be expressed by the formula

$$F = fN$$

where  $F$  = the force applied tangent to the surfaces in contact to overcome the resistance due to friction

$N$  = the normal force on the surfaces in contact

$f$  = the coefficient of friction

If  $F$  is the force necessary to start sliding of the surfaces,  $f$  is the coefficient of *static friction*; and if  $F$  is the somewhat smaller force necessary to maintain sliding,  $f$  is the coefficient of *kinetic friction*. The transition from static friction to kinetic friction is gradual, as indicated by the curve in Fig. 20-9.

Some coefficients of static friction for dry surfaces are given below:<sup>2</sup>

TABLE 20-2. COEFFICIENTS OF STATIC FRICTION FOR DRY SURFACES

Wood on wood.....	0.3-0.5
Metal on metal.....	0.3 average
Metal on wood.....	0.2-0.6
Leather on wood.....	0.3-0.5
Leather on metal.....	0.3-0.6
Brake lining on steel.....	0.4-0.5

*Clinging friction.* In applications where a lubricated pin or bearing has intermittent operation with periods of rest, it has been found that the coefficient of friction is increased after the rest period. For instance,

<sup>1</sup> Archbutt and Deeley, "Lubrication and Lubricants," 5th ed., p. 49, Charles Griffin & Co., Ltd., London, 1927.

<sup>2</sup> Kimball and Barr, "Elements of Machine Design," p. 99, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1935.

an electric switchgear may be required to operate quickly and with little resistance after an interval of rest, possibly several months. The friction hindering motion may be greater than that determined from short-time tests. Another example is a plastic molding machine in which the dies are forced together by a screw and after being held together under the required load (and usually at a high temperature) it may require more torque on the screw to release the dies than was required to set them.

The friction in these cases is known as clinging friction. Few data are available for coefficients of friction after rest periods; however, one paper<sup>1</sup> states that in the first 24 hr the increase in coefficient of friction in pivot bearings is of the order of 15 to 40 per cent, most of the increase occurring in the first  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hr, and a small increase in the subsequent 4 days. The tests covered a range of 60 sec to 90 days.

**20-9 Rolling resistance.** When a roller made of an elastic material is pressed against a plane surface of a similar material, both the roller and the plane are deformed so that surfaces in contact appear as shown in

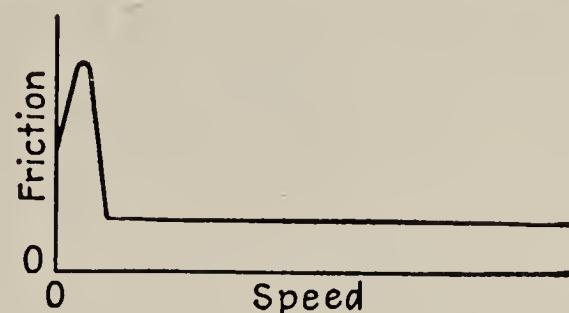


FIG. 20-9. Variation of friction with speed of rubbing.

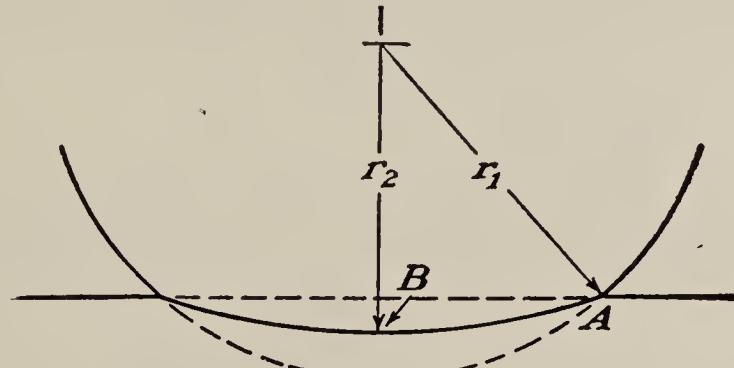


FIG. 20-10. Deformation of surfaces.

Fig. 20-10, where the dotted lines indicate the original outlines. If the roller is rotated, it may be noted that points *A* and *B* on the roller move with different linear speeds with respect to the center of the roller since their radii are not equal. Since all points of the plane are substantially at rest, there must be sliding between the roller and the plane along the surfaces in contact. The corresponding friction of sliding results in the work of *rolling friction*.<sup>2</sup>

It is noted that rolling friction is of the same nature as solid sliding friction, as discussed in the preceding article, but with the difference that

<sup>1</sup> M. C. Hunter, Static and Clinging Friction of Pivot Bearings, *Proc. Inst. Mech. Engrs. (London)*, 1942, p. 274.

<sup>2</sup> See M. C. Shaw and E. F. Macks, "Analysis and Lubrication of Bearings," p. 422, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., 1949.

rolling friction is less than friction of sliding an equal weight over the surface.

For the purpose of analyses involving rolling friction, it is convenient to consider that the torque due to frictional resistance is represented by a couple  $Wa$ , as shown in Fig. 20-11,

where  $W$  = weight on the roller or ball

$F$  = force required to cause rolling

$r$  = radius of roller

$a$  = distance (coefficient of rolling friction)

For equilibrium of forces for the roller or ball,

$$Fr = Wa$$

or

$$a = \frac{Fr}{W} \quad (20-1)$$

The value of  $a$  may be determined experimentally and it has been shown that it depends on the materials of the roller or ball and the surface over

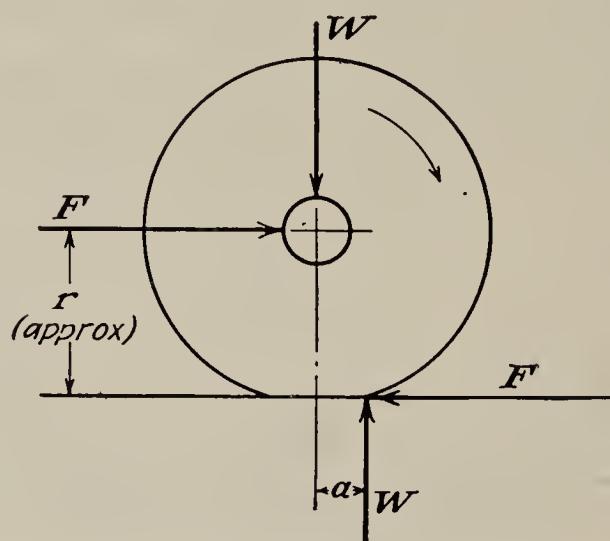


FIG. 20-11. Forces on roller.

which it rolls, but it is generally considered independent of the size of the roller and of the speed and is known as the "coefficient of rolling friction." It has dimensions of length and is given in handbooks in inches. Some values are given below:

TABLE 20-3

Annealed steel rolling on annealed steel.....	0.02
Hardened steel rolling on hardened steel.....	0.003–0.004
Cast-iron or steel rolling on wood.....	0.10
Ball bearings.....	0.0008–0.0012
Roller bearings.....	0.0020–0.0040

**20-10 Fluid friction.** When a fluid film separates two surfaces having relative motion, solid friction will not exist, and the only friction present will be that within the fluid film. This type of friction is discussed in the following chapter.

## CHAPTER 21

# SLIDING BEARINGS AND LUBRICATION

**21-1 Introduction.** In a general sense, the function of machine bearings is to permit constrained relative motion of rigid parts. In *sliding bearings* a lubricant is generally inserted or supplied between the mating surfaces to reduce friction and wear and in some cases to carry away the heat generated. In *ball* and *roller bearings*, rolling motion is utilized. Some common types of sliding bearings are the following: (a) journal bearing, (b) full journal bearing, (c) partial journal bearing, (d) clearance bearing, (e) fitted bearing, (f) thrust bearing, and (g) slipper, or slider, bearing.

*Journal bearings* are used to furnish *lateral* support to rotating shafts. In a journal bearing, the *journal* is the part of the shaft which runs in

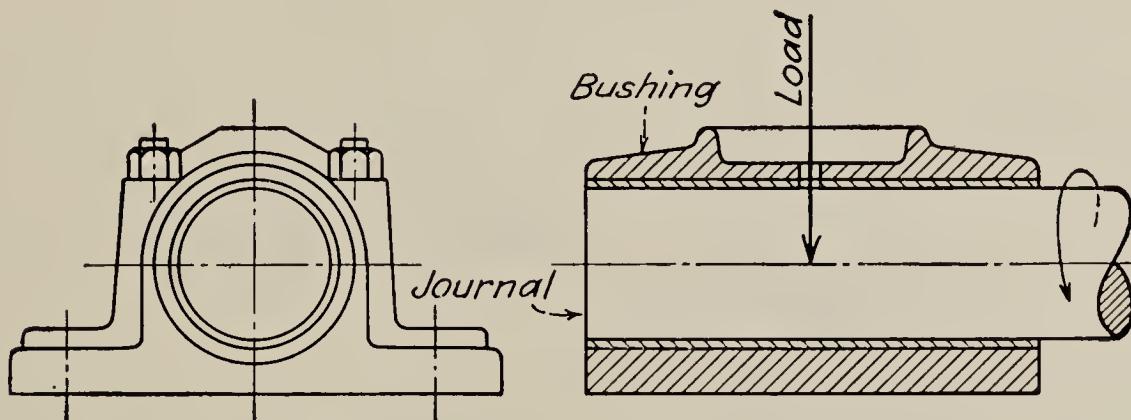


FIG. 21-1. Split journal bearing.

the bushing, which is usually stationary and supports the journal, as shown in Fig. 21-1. In some applications, the journal is at rest while the bushing rotates, and in others, such as connecting rod bearings, both the journal and the bushing have motion.

In a *full journal bearing*, the angle of contact of the bushing with the journal is 360 deg. This is the type most commonly used in industrial machinery to accommodate bearing loads in any radial direction.

In a *partial journal bearing*, the angle of contact is 180 deg or less, 120 deg being a common value. The partial journal bearing may be used when the direction of the load does not change materially; it is used for structural simplicity, for convenience in applying the lubricant, and for

the reduction of frictional loss. Railroad-car bearings represent an extensive application of the partial journal bearing.

*Clearance* in a bearing refers to the thickness of the space allowed for the lubricant that separates the parts having relative motion. A *clearance bearing* is one in which the radius of the journal is less than the radius

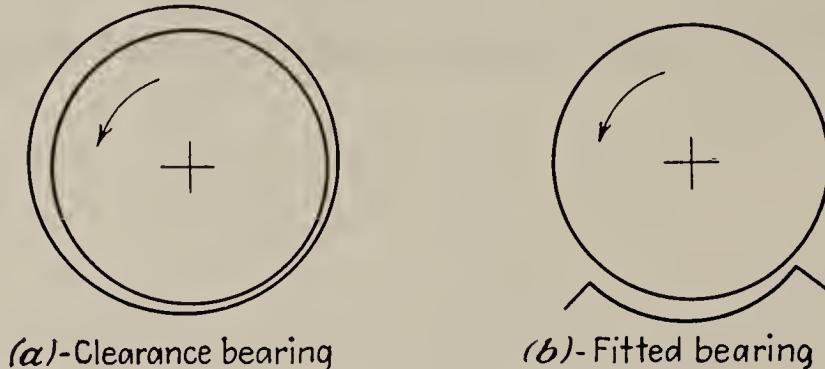


FIG. 21-2. Shape of oil film.

of the bushing. Most journal bearings are of this type. The shape of the oil film in a clearance bearing is shown in Fig. 21-2(a).

A *fitted bearing* is one in which the radius of the journal and bushing are equal. It is evident that a fitted bearing must be a partial bearing and the journal must run eccentric with the bushing in order to provide space for the lubricant, as shown in Fig. 21-2(b). Fitted bearings are more common in England than in the United States.

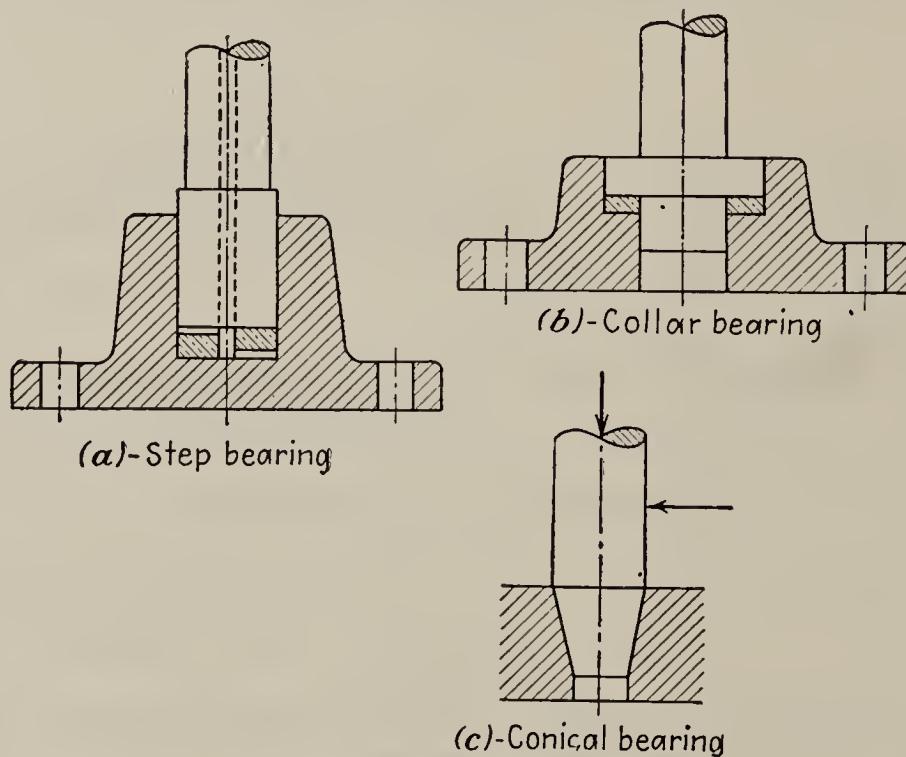


FIG. 21-3. Thrust bearings.

A bearing designed to support an *axial load* is called a *thrust bearing*. This type of bearing may be broadly divided into step bearings, see Fig. 21-3(a), in which the end of the shaft is in contact with a bearing surface; *collar bearings*, at (b), in which a collar is attached to or formed integral with the shaft; and *pivoted-segment bearings*. The latter type is discussed in Art. 21-3.

*Conical bearings* as shown at (c) will support a transverse load as well as an axial load.

A *slipper*, or *slider*, bearing is one in which the two surfaces are flat and nearly parallel and the relative motion is translation.

Figure 21-4 is a schematic diagram of a slider bearing that shows a wedge-shaped film of lubricant. It will be shown in Art. 21-2 that a wedge-shaped, or converging, film is necessary in order that a load may be supported by a fluid film.

A *lubricant* in sliding bearings is fed or inserted between the surfaces to reduce friction and wear. Oils and greases are the most common lubricants but other substances may be used, such as water in hydraulic equipment, air in high-speed spindles, and milk in cream separators. In addition to reducing friction and wear, the lubricant may carry away heat generated in the bearing.

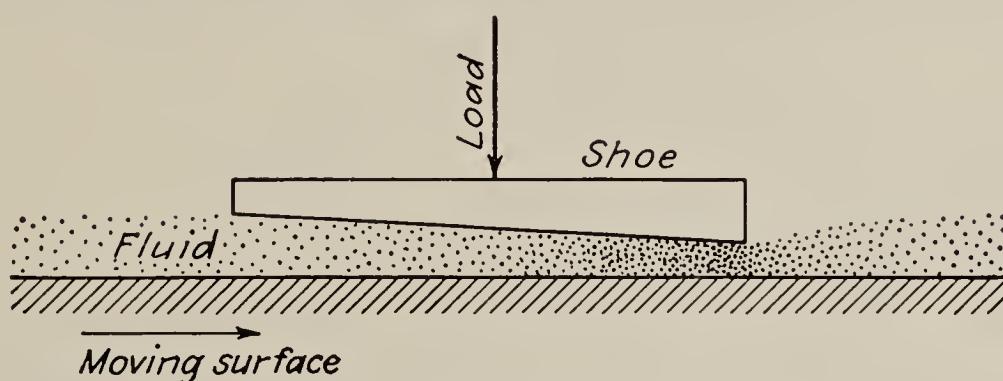


FIG. 21-4. Diagram of slider bearing.

**21-2 Mechanism of fluid lubrication.** By fluid lubrication is meant a condition of operation in which the film of lubricant is so thick that metal-to-metal contact between the parts is prevented, and the only friction is that which occurs within the fluid film. Fluid friction is considerably less than metal-to-metal friction. Since fluid lubrication is essential if friction and wear are to be a minimum, the conditions that are necessary to establish and maintain fluid lubrication are important and will be developed in this article. The slider bearing will be used for this purpose, and later it will be shown how the results arrived at for the slider bearing may be applied to other types of bearings, for example, the journal bearing.

A slider bearing is shown in Fig. 21-5. The following assumptions are made:

1. That the fluid completely fills the space between the two surfaces
2. That the fluid "wets" or adheres to the surfaces so that the velocity of the fluid at each surface is the same as that of the surface<sup>1</sup>
3. That flow in the direction perpendicular to the velocity  $U$  is negligible

<sup>1</sup> Archbutt and Deeley, "Lubrication and Lubricants," p. 81, Charles Griffin & Co., Ltd., London, 1927.

In Fig. 21-5(a), the surface of the shoe is parallel to that of the moving surface. When the moving surface has a horizontal velocity  $U$ , the horizontal layers, or laminae, of fluid move with velocities that are directly proportional to their distances from the fixed surface as indicated. It should be noted that the area of the triangle  $oab$  in the figure is proportional to the volume of fluid passing a unit width of the film in a unit time. Since the volume passing all cross sections of the film must be equal, it follows that the areas of the velocity-clearance diagrams must be equal, as indicated in the figure.

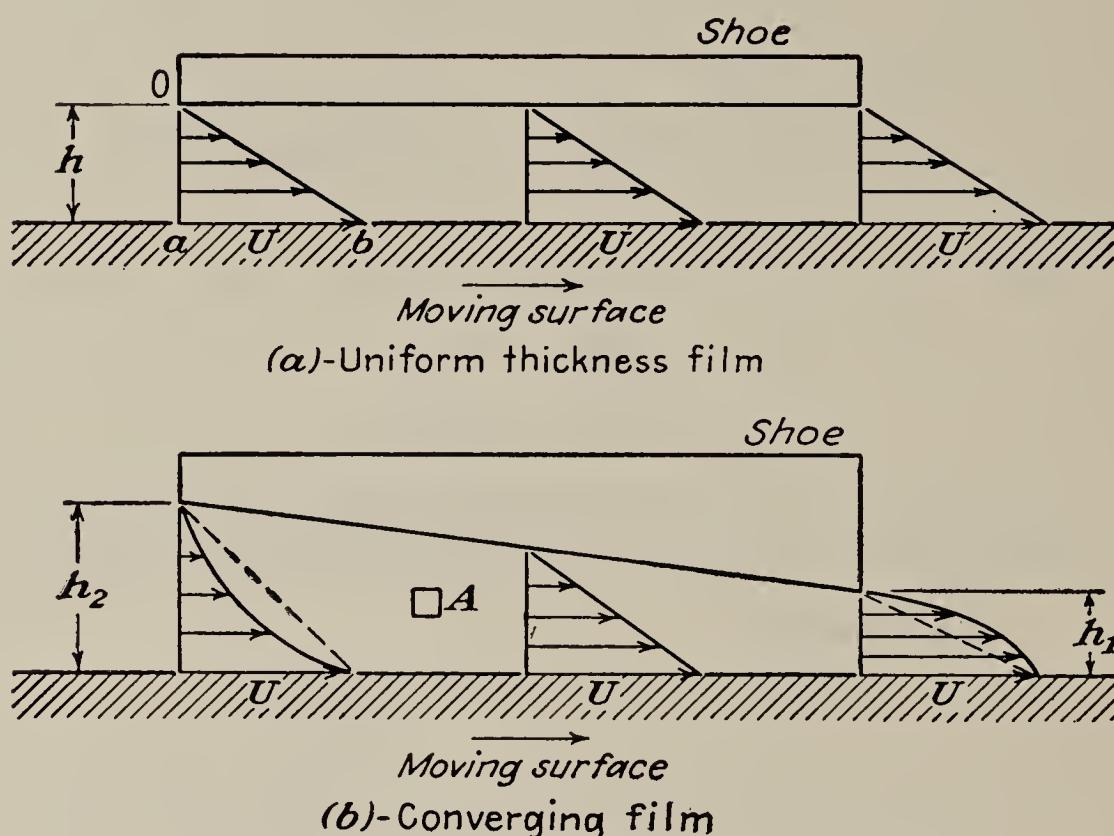


FIG. 21-5. Variation of velocity across film.

The slope of the line  $ob$  at (a) is known as the "velocity gradient" and may be expressed as  $du/dy$ , where  $y$  is the distance measured along the film thickness  $oa$ .

From Newton's law of viscous flow, which states that the shearing stress  $F$  is proportional to the rate of shear (velocity gradient), we may write

$$F = \mu \frac{du}{dy} \quad (21-1)$$

where  $\mu$  is the viscosity of the fluid.

In Fig. 21-5(a), the velocity gradient is constant; hence the shearing stress between the horizontal laminae is constant at all points of the film.

In Fig. 21-5(b), the surface of the shoe is inclined to the moving surface and the thickness of the film varies from  $h_2$ , where the fluid enters the film, to  $h_1$  where it leaves. This is known as a "converging film." It is evident from the figure that the shape of the velocity-clearance diagrams cannot be triangular always, as shown by the dotted lines, since their

areas could not be equal as required. The variation of the velocities as indicated by the curved lines would result in figures of equal areas, and it will be shown that this variation is compatible with velocity-pressure relations. Note that these curved lines represent variable velocity gradients as compared with the uniform gradient for the constant thickness film.

If an elementary volume of unit width, as shown at *A* in Fig. 21-5(*b*), is drawn as in Fig. 21-6(*a*), it may be referred to axes *ox* and *oy*, as shown, where  $\delta x$ , and  $\delta y$  are dimensions of the element parallel to the *ox* and *oy* axes, respectively. As originally assumed, flow in the *ox* direction only will be considered. As shown in Fig. 21-6(*a*), the lower face of the element will be assumed to move with the velocity  $u$ ; hence the upper face

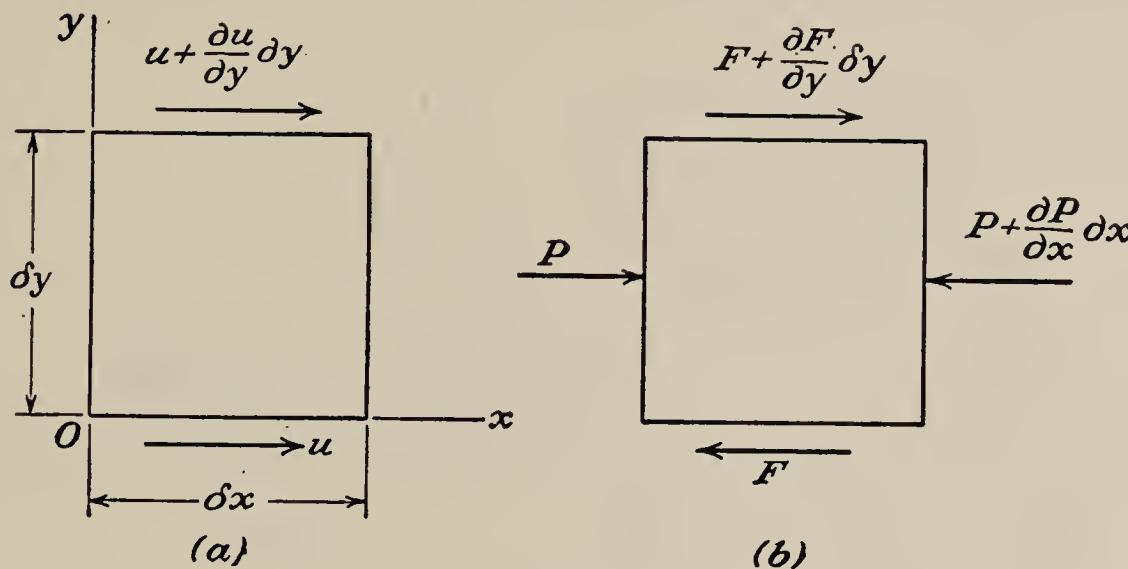


FIG. 21-6. Element of fluid.

will move with the velocity  $u + (\partial u / \partial y) \delta y$ . The forces acting in the *x* direction are shown at (*b*). The left face is subjected to the fluid pressure  $P$  and the right face to  $P + (\partial P / \partial x) \delta x$ . The shear stress on the lower face is represented by  $F$  and on the upper face by  $F + (\partial F / \partial y) \delta y$ .

For equilibrium of the horizontal forces on the element,

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \delta y \delta x = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} \delta x \delta y$$

or

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} \quad (21-2)$$

This equation states that the change in shear stress in the *y* direction is equal to the change of pressure in the *x* direction.

From Eq. (21-1),

$$F = \mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = \mu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

From the above equation and Eq. (21-2),

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = \mu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \quad (21-3)$$

This equation states that the change of pressure in the  $x$  direction is equal to the coefficient of viscosity multiplied by the second derivative of  $u$  with respect to  $y$ . It is now apparent that when the velocity gradient

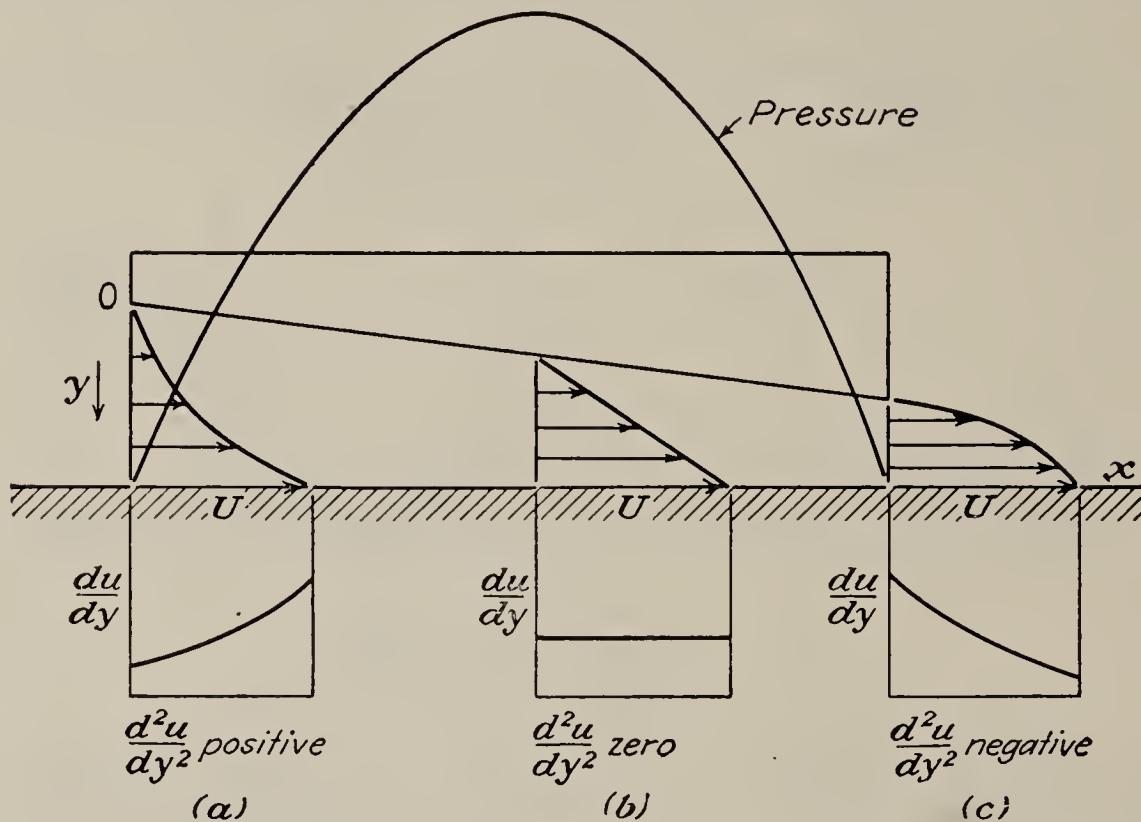


FIG. 21-7. Pressure distribution in converging film.

$\partial u / \partial y$  is constant, as in Fig. 21-5(a),  $\partial^2 u / \partial y^2$  will be zero, and therefore  $\partial P / \partial x$  will be zero, and there can be no change in pressure along the film in the  $x$  direction; hence no pressure can be built up in a parallel film.

It can be shown by referring to Fig. 21-7 that for the velocity gradient at the entering end of the film,  $\partial^2 u / \partial y^2$  is positive; hence  $\partial P / \partial x$  is positive, and the pressure in the film will increase in the  $ox$  direction. The increase will be positive until the section is reached where the velocity gradient is constant when  $\partial P / \partial x$  is zero, indicating a maximum pressure. Further along  $ox$ ,  $\partial^2 u / \partial y^2$  will be negative; hence  $\partial P / \partial x$  will be negative, and the pressure will drop. The variation of pressure is shown by the curve in Fig. 21-7.

From the foregoing, it follows that a positive pressure can be built up and a load supported by a fluid *only* by the use of a converging film. All bearings supporting a load by means of a fluid film must make use of the

converging film, as for example, the simple slider bearing shown diagrammatically in Fig. 21-4, the pivoted-segment thrust bearing, and the journal bearing. The latter types of bearings are discussed in the following articles.

**21-3 Pivoted-segment bearing.** According to the discussion in the preceding article, a converging film is necessary in a bearing if the advantages of fluid friction are to be realized. It is apparent that the thrust bearings shown in Fig. 21-3 cannot provide converging films, and hence the axial loads will not be supported by a fluid film. Instead there will exist at best partial metal-to-metal contact and the friction will be comparatively high. If the pressure between the rubbing parts is high, the lubricant may be forced from the surfaces in contact and rapid wear or seizure of the parts may result. Thus the load-carrying capacity of this

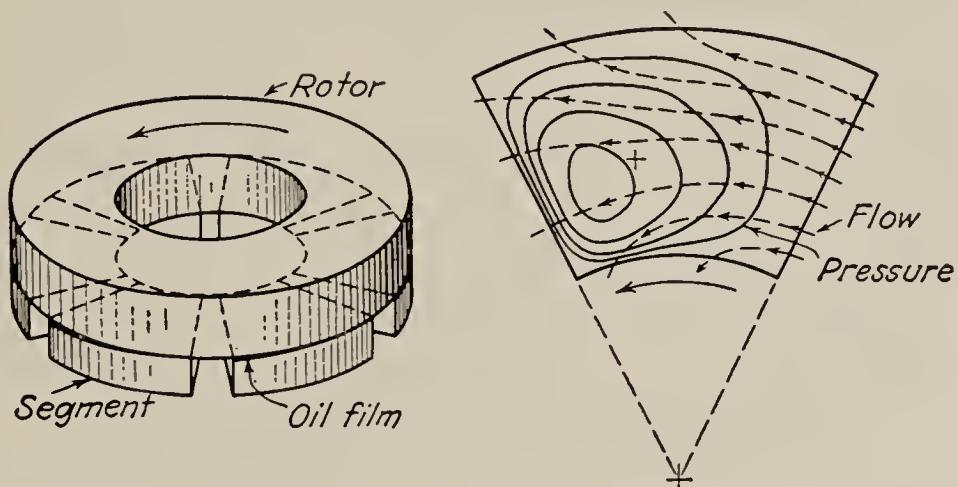


FIG. 21-8. Pivoted segment thrust bearing, and pressure distribution on a segment.

type of bearing is limited. The use of multiple collars on the collar thrust bearing is an attempt to increase the load-carrying capacity; however, such a bearing occupies considerable space, and it is difficult to secure equal division of the load among the collars.

The pivoted-segment bearing was developed in order to provide a converging film in a thrust bearing. This bearing was developed independently by Kingsbury in the United States and Michell of Australia in about 1905. As shown in Fig. 21-8, the segments are separately pivoted so that they can tilt to form the converging film. Because of leakage of the oil from the sides of the segments, the flow of oil will be as represented on the face view of a segment. The distribution of pressure is also shown.

The segments may be pivoted on a single point pivot by a rocker, or the entire segment may be supported by a number of springs. Loads in excess of a million pounds are supported in this manner by a single thrust bearing.

**21-4 Journal bearings.** An oil film of a journal bearing with the clearance exaggerated is shown in Fig. 21-9. At (a) in the figure the journal is at rest with metal-to-metal contact at *a* on the line of action of the sup-

ported load. When the journal rotates slowly in the direction indicated at (b), the point of contact will move to *b*, so that the angle *aob* will be the angle of sliding friction of the surfaces in contact at *b*. In the absence of a lubricant, there will be dry metal-to-metal friction. If a lubricant is present in the clearance space, a thin adsorbed film of the lubricant may partly separate the surface, but a continuous fluid film completely separating the surfaces will not exist because of the slow speed.

As shown at (c), the speed of the journal has been increased so that a continuous fluid film is established, and the center of the journal has moved so that the minimum film thickness is at *c*. It may be noted that from *d* to *c* in the direction of motion, the film is continually narrowing, and hence is a converging film, as was found necessary in the discussion in Art. 21-2 to support a load. The curved converging film may be considered as a wedge-shaped film of a slipper bearing wrapped around the

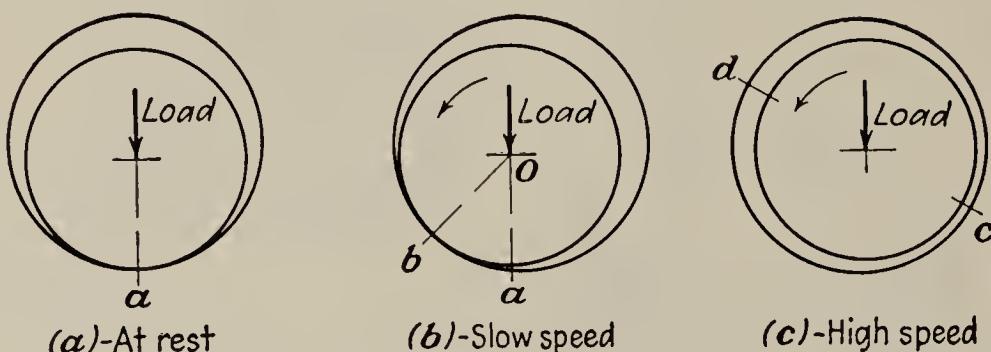


FIG. 21-9. Formation of a continuous oil film.

journal. It may be noted also in the figure that from *c* to *d* the film is diverging and cannot give rise to a positive pressure or a supporting action. In fact, a negative pressure will be developed in this region that may serve to draw lubricant from the source of supply if conditions are favorable, or the negative pressure will be prevented from forming if a lubricant is supplied at the proper point by forced feed.

Two views of the bearing of Fig. 21-9(c) with the ideal variation of pressure in the converging film are shown in Fig. 21-10(a). Actually, due to side leakage, the angle of contact on which pressure acts is somewhat less than 180 deg. The distribution of pressure in the axial direction is shown at (b) in the figure.

**21-5 The hydrodynamic theory.** In the discussion of the mechanism of film lubrication in Art. 21-2, it was shown that a converging film is necessary in order that a positive pressure can be built up in the film to enable it to support a load. For a quantitative determination of the pressures in a bearing corresponding to given operating conditions, it is necessary to resort to the hydrodynamic theory, or to a simplified expression of that theory. A brief résumé of the development of the hydrodynamic theory will be given here, followed by a simplification of the theory leading to results that may be used in bearing design.

In 1883, Petroff published results of an experimental investigation showing a connection between viscosity and friction in a journal bearing. In 1883 and later years, Tower conducted experiments which were subsequently interpreted by Reynolds in his classical paper<sup>1</sup> in which he developed his general equation of the hydrodynamic theory, which can be written as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{h^3}{12\mu} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{h^3}{12\mu} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right) = \frac{U}{2} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \quad (21-4)$$

where  $U$  is the surface speed,  $p$  is the hydrostatic pressure at any point in the film whose coordinates are  $x$  and  $z$ ,  $\mu$  is the viscosity of the lubricant, and  $h$  is the film thickness at any section.  $U$  is in the  $x$  direction, and  $h$  is in the  $y$  direction.

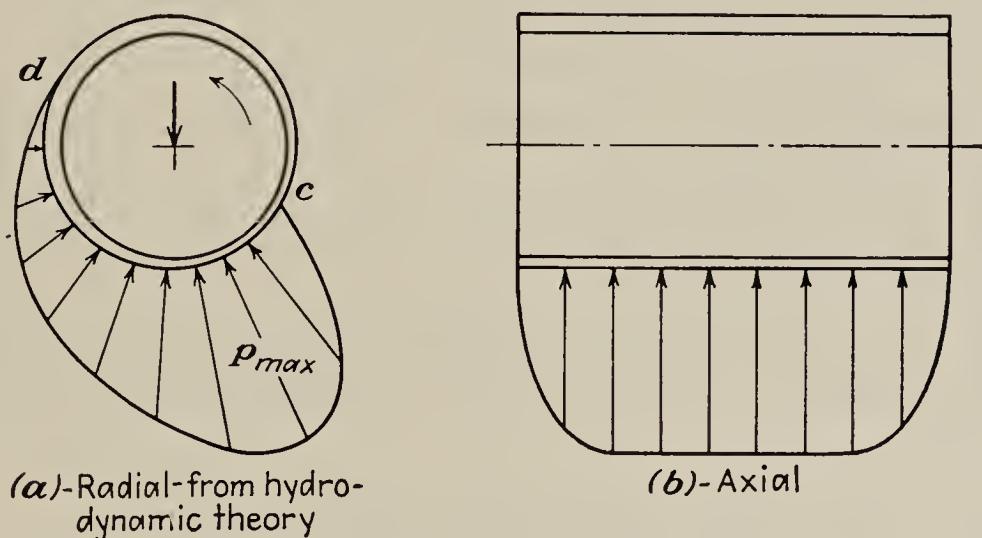


FIG. 21-10. Pressure in a journal bearing.

Reynolds integrated Eq. (21-4) for the case of constant viscosity and negligible side leakage.

In 1904, Sommerfeld applied Reynolds' equation to the journal bearing and succeeded in integrating the equation for all values of bearing eccentricity. In 1914, an important contribution was made by Hersey,<sup>2</sup> who applied dimensional analysis to experimental work on bearings. The resulting interpretations compare favorably with the hydrodynamic theory. The dimensional analysis referred to is the basis for the  $ZN/p$  relations, which are discussed in the following article and which simplify the design of a journal bearing. In this procedure, the effect of side leakage in the bearing is dealt with by means of introducing an experimentally determined correction. In addition, the viscosity of the lubricant is assumed to be independent of the pressure in the bearing and to have a

<sup>1</sup> O. Reynolds, On the Theory of Lubrication and its Application to Mr. Beauchamp Tower's Experiments, *Phil. Trans. Roy. Soc. (London)*, vol. 177, 1886.

<sup>2</sup> M. D. Hersey, "Theory of Lubrication," pp. 70 ff., John Wiley & Sons., Inc., New York, 1938. This book contains an excellent discussion of the history and theory of lubrication.

value corresponding to an average temperature of the lubricant<sup>1</sup> in the film of oil. The errors due to these assumptions have been shown to be small for ordinary bearings, although they may be large for some types of bearings, particularly for those having very high pressure.<sup>2</sup> Albert Kingsbury and H. A. S. Howarth have made significant contributions to bearing design as a result of theoretical and experimental investigations.<sup>3</sup>

**21-6 Friction in journal bearings.** The coefficient of friction is important in bearing design, since it affords a means for determining the loss of power due to bearing friction and for estimating conditions of thermal equilibrium. The coefficient of friction in journal bearings is defined as

$$f = \frac{F}{P} = \frac{T}{Pr}$$

where  $f$  = coefficient of journal friction

$P$  = load supported by bearing, lb

$F$  = summation over the bearing area of the shear stress exerted by the lubricant, lb

$T$  = torque required to overcome journal friction, lb-in.

$r$  = radius of journal, in.

By the use of the dimensional analysis referred to in Art. 21-5, it is found that the coefficient of friction for a journal bearing can be expressed as follows:

$$f = \phi \left( \frac{ZN}{p}, \frac{d}{c}, \frac{L}{d} \right)$$

where  $f$  = coefficient of friction

$\phi$  = a functional relationship

$Z$  = absolute viscosity of the lubricant, centipoises

$N$  = speed of journal, rpm

$p$  = bearing pressure in psi of projected bearing area

$d$  = diameter of journal, in.

$c$  = difference between diameter of bushing and diameter of journal, in.

$L$  = length of bearing, in.

The quantity  $ZN/p$  is termed the bearing characteristic number and is dimensionless if the quantities are expressed in terms of a consistent system of units. The variation of the coefficient of friction with operating values of  $ZN/p$  is shown in Fig. 21-11. The part of the curve *ab*

<sup>1</sup> A. E. Norton, "Lubrication," p. 88, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1942.

<sup>2</sup> L. J. Bradford, Bearing Design in the Light of Oil Film Pressure Investigations, *Penn. State Coll. Eng. Expt. Sta. Tech. Bull.* 14, 1931.

<sup>3</sup> See also Hunsaker and Rightmire, "Engineering Applications of Fluid Mechanics," chaps. XII and XIII, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1947.

represents the region of fluid-film lubrication. Between *b* and *c* the viscosity *Z* or the speed *N* are so low, or the pressure *p* is so great, that their combination *ZN/p* will reduce the film thickness so that partial metal-to-metal contact will result. Between *c* and *d* on the curve, *boundary lubrication*, or *imperfect lubrication*, exists. This is the region where the viscosity of the lubricant ceases to be a measure of friction characteristics, but the so-called "oiliness" of the lubricant is effective in preventing complete metal-to-metal contact and seizure of the parts.

It may be noted that the part *ab* of the curve represents stable operating conditions, since from any point of stability, a decrease in viscosity *Z*, for instance, will reduce *ZN/p*. This will result in a decrease in *f*, followed by a lowering of bearing temperature that will raise the viscosity *Z*.

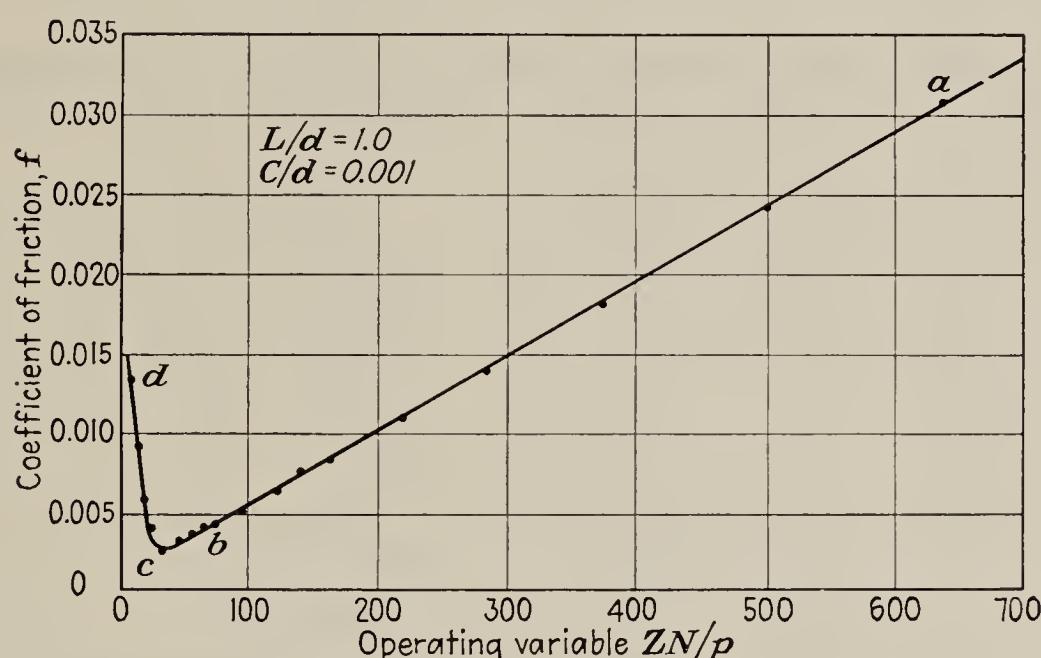


FIG. 21-11. Journal-bearing friction as a function of  $ZN/p$ .

The minimum friction for the bearing occurs near point *b* on the curve, but it is necessary to operate the bearing in service sufficiently far to the right of *b* to avoid any possibility of breaking down the film of lubricant because of any unpredicted change in operating conditions. It is customary to design bearings for a value of  $ZN/p$  at least five times that corresponding to point *b* on the curve.

The following equation may be used for estimating values of the coefficient of friction *f* for well-lubricated full journal bearings

$$f = \frac{473}{10^{10}} \left( \frac{ZN}{p} \right) \left( \frac{d}{c} \right) + K \quad (21-5)$$

where *Z* = viscosity of the lubricant, centipoises

*N* = speed of journal, rpm

*p* = bearing pressure in psi of projected bearing area = load on journal  $\div Ld$

*L* = bearing length, in.

$d$  = journal diameter, in.

$c$  = difference between bushing diameter and journal diameter, in.

$K$  = factor to correct for end leakage = 0.002 for  $L/d$  ratios of 0.75 to 2.8<sup>1</sup>

Operating values for  $ZN/p$  should be compared with values given in Table 21-1 to ensure a safe margin between operating conditions and the point of film breakdown.

**21-7 Bearing loads.** An important consideration in the design of a journal bearing to operate under conditions of film lubrication is the conditions affecting the breaking down of the film, which occurs at operating conditions between  $b$  and  $c$  in Fig. 21-11. In addition to the characteristic number  $ZN/p$ , other factors that affect the film breakdown are as follows:

*Clearance.* The clearance in a bearing should be small enough to provide the necessary velocity gradient, so that the pressure built up will

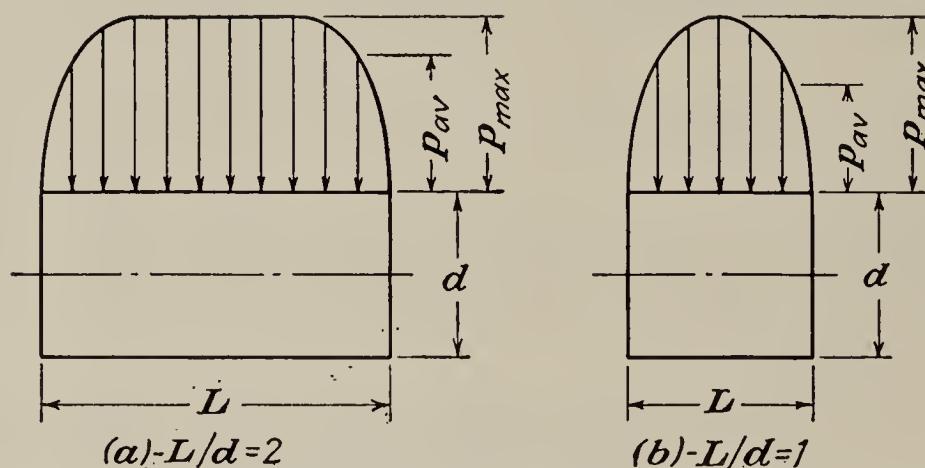


FIG. 21-12. Effect of length to diameter ratio,  $L/d$ , on average bearing pressure.

support the load. This consideration requires a small clearance, which has the additional advantage of decreasing side leakage. However, allowance must be made for manufacturing tolerances in the journal and the bushing, for deflection of the shaft, and for space to permit foreign particles, such as grit and flakes of metal, to pass through the bearing. These latter considerations require large clearance. Thus both considerations require a compromise. A commonly used clearance in industrial machines is 0.001 in. per in. of journal diameter. The minimum thickness of the oil film may be of the order of 0.0002 in. per in. of diameter.

*Length to diameter ratio.* Because of side leakage of the lubricant from the bearing, the pressure in the film is atmospheric at the ends of the bearing. As shown in Fig. 21-12, the average pressure,  $p_{av}$ , will be higher for a long bearing as shown at (a) than for a short bearing as shown at (b).

<sup>1</sup> S. A. McKee and T. R. McKee, Friction of Journal Bearings as Influenced by Clearance and Length, *Trans. ASME*, vol. 51, p. APM-51-15, 1924; see also M. C. Shaw and E. F. Macks, "Analysis and Lubrication of Bearings," McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1949.

TABLE 21-1. BEARING DESIGN PRACTICES

No.	Machinery	Bearing	Maximum <i>p</i> , psi	Operating		<i>c/d</i>	<i>L/d</i>
				<i>Z</i>	<i>ZN/p</i>		
1	Automobile and aircraft engines	Main	800-1,700	7	15	.....	0.8-1.8
2		Crankpin	1,500-3,500	to	10	.....	0.7-1.4
3		Wristpin	2,300-5,000	8	8	.....	1.5-2.2
4	Gas and oil engines, 4-stroke	Main	700-1,200	20	20	0.001	0.6-2.0
5		Crankpin	1,400-1,800	to	10	0.001	0.6-1.5
6		Wristpin	1,800-2,200	65	5	0.001	1.5-2.0
7	Gas and oil engines, 2-stroke	Main	500-800	20	25	0.001	0.6-2.0
8		Crankpin	1,000-1,500	to	12	0.001	0.6-1.5
9		Wristpin	1,200-1,800	65	10	0.001	1.5-2.0
10	Marine steam engines	Main	500	30	20	0.001	0.7-1.5
11		Crankpin	600	40	15	0.001	0.7-1.2
12		Wristpin	1,500	30	10	0.001	1.2-1.7
13	Stationary, slow-speed steam engines	Main	400	60	20	0.001	1.0-2.0
14		Crankpin	1,500	80	6	0.001	0.9-1.3
15		Wristpin	1,800	60	5	0.001	1.2-1.5
16	Stationary, high-speed steam engines	Main	250	15	25	0.001	1.5-3.0
17		Crankpin	600	30	6	0.001	0.9-1.5
18		Wristpin	1,800	25	5	0.001	1.3-1.7
19	Reciprocating pumps and compressors	Main	250	30	30	0.001	1.0-2.2
20		Crankpin	600	to	20	0.001	0.9-1.7
21		Wristpin	1,000	80	10	0.001	1.5-2.0
22	Steam locomotives	Driving axle	550	100	30	0.001	1.6-1.8
23		Crankpin	2,000	40	5	0.001	0.7-1.1
24		Wristpin	4,000	30	5	0.001	0.8-1.3
25	Railway cars	Axle	500	100	50	0.001	1.8-2.0
26	Steam turbines	Main	100-275	2-16	100	0.001	1.0-2.0
27	Generators, motors, centrifugal pumps	Rotor	100-200	25	200	0.0013	1.0-2.0
28	Gyroscope	Rotor	850	30	55	0.0013	
29	Transmission shafting	Light, fixed	25	25	100	0.001	2.0-3.0
30		Self-aligning	150	to	30	0.001	2.5-4.0
31		Heavy	150	60	30	0.001	2.0-3.0
32	Cotton mill	Spindle	1	2	10,000	0.005	
33	Machine tools	Main	300	40	1	0.001	1.0-4.0
34	Punching and shearing machine	Main	4,000	100	.....	0.001	1.0-2.0
35		Crankpin	8,000	100	.....	0.001	1.0-2.0
36	Rolling mills	Main	3,000	50	10	0.0015	1.0-1.5

Thus from the standpoint of side leakage, a bearing with a large  $L/d$  is preferable. However, space requirements, manufacturing tolerances, and shaft deflections are better met with a bearing of short length. Thus a compromise in the  $L/d$  ratio is necessary, resulting in a value of from 1 to 2 for general industrial machinery. In crankshaft bearings, the  $L/d$  ratio is frequently less than unity, since short bearings are required from

space considerations, and since the shaft diameter must be large, which is required by the strength, stiffness, and vibration characteristics. (See Table 21-1 for values of  $L/d$  for various types of service.)

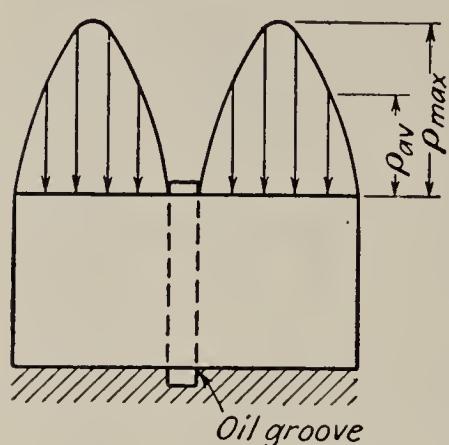


FIG. 21-13. Effect of circumferential oil groove on average bearing pressure. Compare with Fig. 21-12(a).

evident that an oilhole in the region of high pressure reduces the load-carrying capacity of the bearing. Thus the location of oilholes and grooves is an important consideration. From the standpoint of load-carrying capacity the following items represent good practice:

1. Locate oilholes and necessary axial grooves in the region of low pressure.
2. Avoid diagonal grooving.
3. If circumferential grooves are necessary, locate them near the ends of the bearing.

*Surface finish.* While the degree of smoothness of the surfaces of the journal and the bushing does not have a marked effect on a bearing

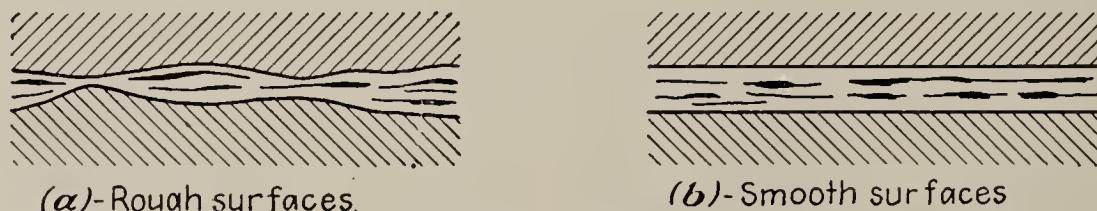


FIG. 21-14. Effect of surface finish on film thickness.

operating with fluid-film lubrication, it does have an effect on the point of breaking down of the film. This will be evident from a consideration of the effect of the high points of a rough surface breaking through a film, as shown in Fig. 21-14, at a lower value of  $ZN/p$  than for a bearing with smooth surfaces.

The diagram in three dimensions in Fig. 21-15 shows that a bearing operates in the region of fluid friction at a lower value of  $ZN/p$  and with a lower value of minimum friction with a smooth surface than with a rough one. For this reason, smooth surfaces are desirable to decrease the wear of a bearing that must operate continually or pass through a low value of  $ZN/p$  frequently.

**21-8 Bearing materials.** From the preceding discussion of the mechanism of film lubrication, it is apparent that, when the surfaces of a bearing are separated by a fluid film, the materials of the bearing do not have any effect on its operation so long as the parts have sufficient strength to withstand the imposed loads and sufficient rigidity to maintain alignment.

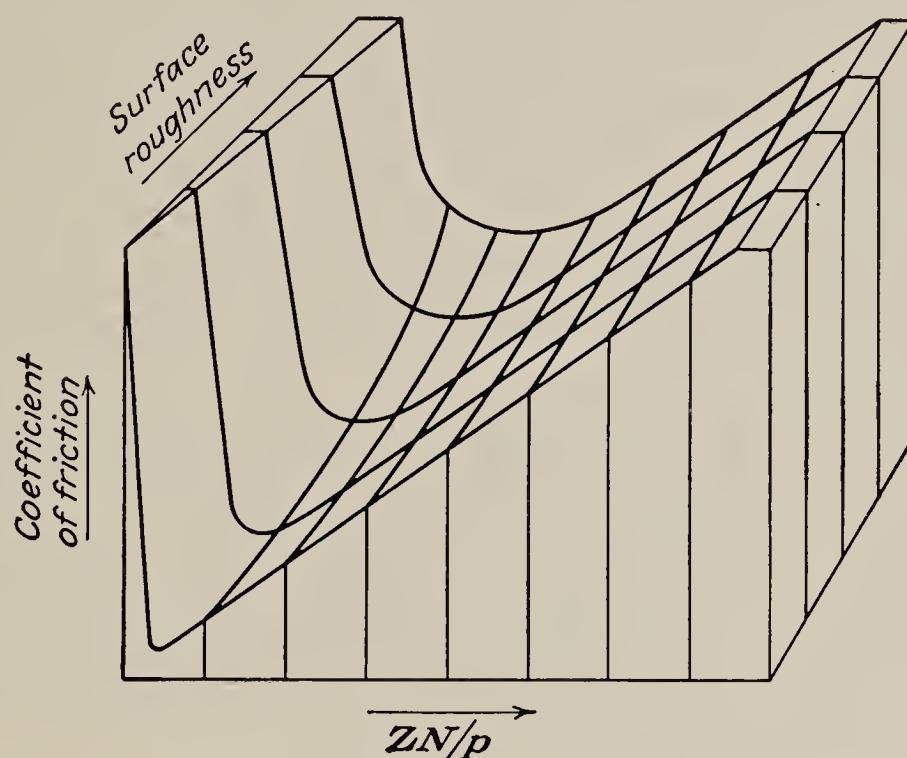


FIG. 21-15. Three-dimensional chart showing effect of surface finish on point of fluid-film rupture.

On account of strength and rigidity requirements, journals are generally made of steel. For the bushing, however, there are other requirements, as discussed below, that must be considered in selecting the best material.

*Low friction properties.* When a journal is starting, stopping, or running at low speeds, lubrication will be of the boundary type and metal-to-metal contact will be prevented only by the adsorbed film. Metals and alloys that favor the formation of the adsorbed film are therefore desirable for bearings in order to limit wear. The oiliness of the lubricant should be considered in this connection. The low friction and wear characteristics of babbitt metals are partly responsible for their widespread use in bearings.

*Compressive strength.* The bearing material should have high compressive strength to prevent extrusion of the material from the bearing. Since the maximum bearing pressure may be considerably greater than

the pressure expressed in pounds per square inch of projected bearing area, yielding may occur in localized regions of the bearing to the extent that the clearance is materially changed.

*Fatigue strength.* Under severe conditions of loading and temperature, surface fatigue cracks may develop. These cracks may cause checking and pitting of the surface, thus leading to its deterioration to the extent that the operation of the bearing is affected. Thus a bearing material having a high fatigue strength is desirable.

For severe operating conditions, a very thin bearing metal bonded to a steel back has been found to prevent the spreading of the fatigue cracks. Such a combination also prevents extrusion of the bearing material because of the restraining effect of the hard backing. In some automotive engines a tin-base babbitt lining 0.003 in. in thickness is used.

*Conformability.* Because of small inaccuracies in the form of the journal and its deflection under the imposed loads, the material of the bearing should adapt its shape to that of the journal. This change of shape may be accomplished by plastic flow, by wearing away, or by local melting. Plastic flow is most desirable to achieve conformability, since wearing away and local melting are accompanied by excessive heat, which may burn out the bearing.

*Embeddability.* While all bearings should be designed so that foreign particles will be excluded, this is difficult to accomplish in plain bearings lubricated with oil, since grit, sand, and metal particles may be introduced with the lubricant or ventilating air. If the bearing materials are hard, the particles may score the surfaces and produce undue wear. But if the bearing lining is soft so that the particles are completely embedded, this trouble may not be serious.

*Bonding.* A bearing material that will bond readily and permanently with the steel or bronze back is necessary for long bearing life. For the thin linings mentioned above, an intermediate layer of sintered alloy is used to secure a good bond.

*Corrosion resistance.* Bearing materials have various degrees of resistance to corrosion; this should be considered where corrosive oils must be used.

The preceding discussion indicates the desirable characteristics of bearing materials. All of these have not been incorporated to a high degree in any particular bearing material, and it is evident that the choice of a material for any application must represent a compromise. This is the reason for the large number of bearing materials which have been developed, each of which is most suitable for particular applications.<sup>1</sup> The tin-base and lead-base babbitts are in widespread use since they satisfy most requirements for general applications. However, where the loads

<sup>1</sup> See "SAE Handbook."

are very high, bronze and brass bushings may be used. Where high compressive and fatigue strengths are necessary, copper, lead, and tin alloys may be used. Where the bearing is inaccessible or lubrication is infrequent, "oilless" bearings, composed of porous sintered bronze or iron with graphite or oil filling the porous structure, may be used.

**21-9 Viscosity and oiliness.** Newton's law states that at any point in a fluid the shearing stress is proportional to the rate of shear, or

$$F = \mu R \quad (21-6)$$

where  $F$  = shearing stress, or tangential force per unit area

$R$  = rate of shear, or velocity gradient

In Eq. (21-6), the proportionality constant  $\mu$  is known as the "viscosity" of the fluid. In cgs units, it is the *absolute viscosity* and is equal to dynes per square centimeter with a velocity of 1 cm per sec at a distance of 1 cm. The unit of absolute viscosity is the *poise*, but is usually used as one-hundredth of a poise termed a "centipoise."

The standard method of measuring viscosity in this country is by the use of the Saybolt Universal viscometer by which is determined the time required for a standard volume of oil at a certain temperature to flow under a certain head through a tube of standard diameter and length. The time so determined in seconds is the Saybolt Universal viscosity. Machine oils at room temperatures have a range of viscosity of about 100 to 300 centipoises.

To convert the Saybolt Universal viscosity to the absolute viscosity the following formula may be used

$$Z = \rho_t \left( 0.22S - \frac{180}{S} \right) \quad (21-7)$$

where  $Z$  = absolute viscosity at temperature  $t$ , centipoises

$S$  = Saybolt Universal viscosity, sec

$\rho_t$  = specific gravity at temperature  $t$

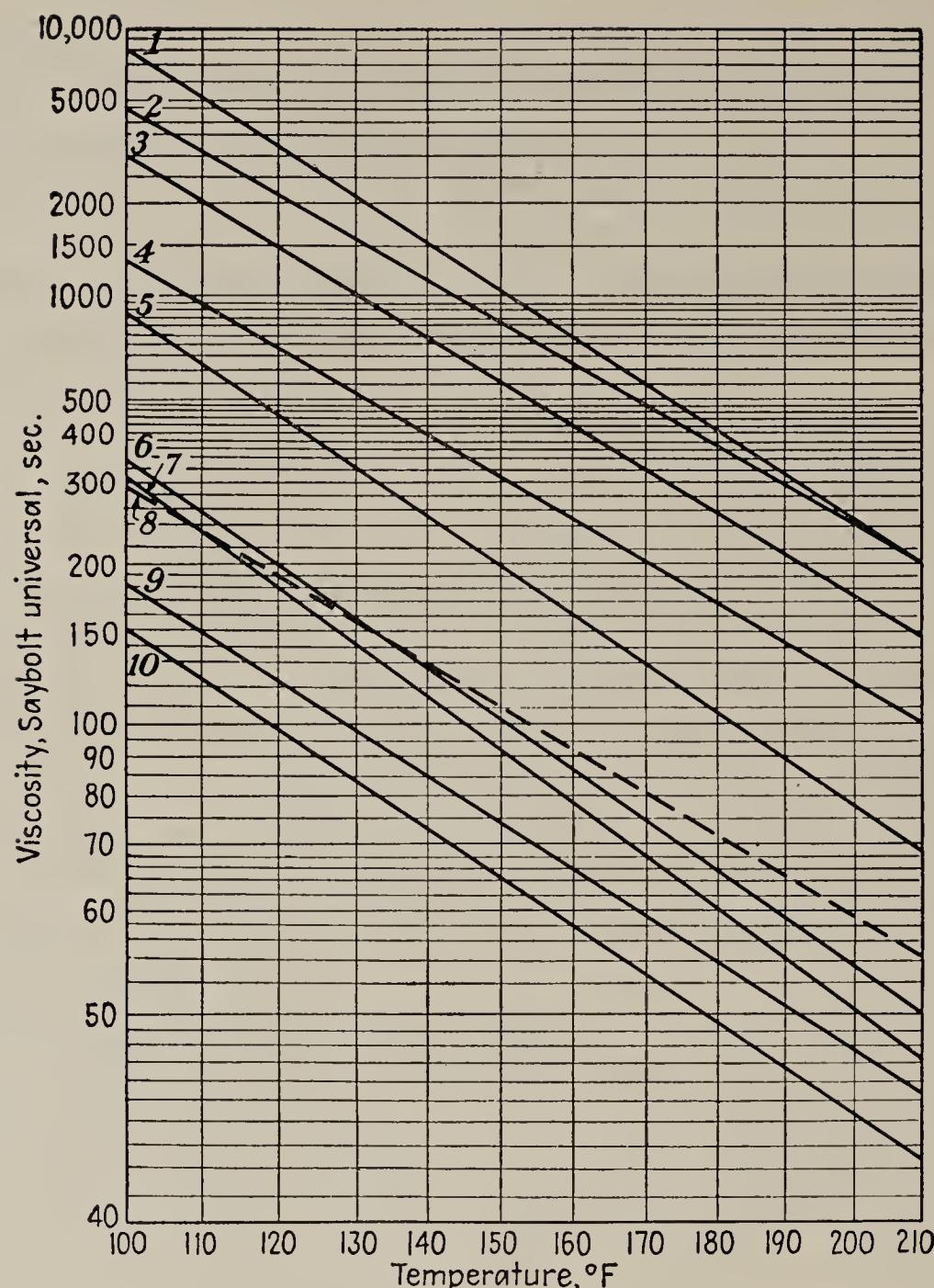
$$= \rho_{60} - 0.000365(t - 60)$$

$\rho_{60}$  = specific gravity at 60 F

The viscosities of some lubricating oils are given in Fig. 21-16.

*Oiliness* is a joint property of a lubricant and the bearing surfaces in contact, and it is a measure of the lubricating qualities under boundary conditions where base metal-to-metal contact is prevented only by the adsorbed film. There is no absolute measure of oiliness. The four-ball testing apparatus<sup>1</sup> gives a comparative measure of this property. Bab-

<sup>1</sup> D. Clayton, The Use of the Four-ball Extreme-pressure Lubricant Testing Apparatus for Ordinary Lubricants, in "General Discussion on Lubrication," vol. 2, p. 274, Institution of Mechanical Engineers, London, 1938.



No.		$\rho_{60}$
1	Transmission oil SAE 160	0.9365
2	Gear oil	0.9153
3	Transmission oil, SAE 110	0.9328
4	Airplane oil 100, SAE 60	0.8927
5	Automobile oil, SAE 40	0.9275
6	Automobile oil SAE 20	0.9254
7	Ring-oiled bearing	0.9346
8	All year automobile oil SAE 20	0.9036
9	Turbine oil, ring-oiled bearing, SAE 10	0.8894
10	Turbine oil, ring-oiled bearing	0.8877

FIG. 21-16. Viscosity-temperature chart and specific gravity of oils. (Courtesy of The Texas Company.)

bitt metals favor the establishment of the adsorbed film, which prevents or retards actual base metal-to-metal contact. Lard oil has better oiliness than mineral oils and has the effect on the coefficient of friction as a function of  $ZN/p$  that is shown in Fig. 21-17.

**21-10 Imperfect lubrication.** In bearings in which the operating value of  $ZN/p$  is too low to ensure fluid-film lubrication or where there is an

insufficient supply of lubricant in the bearing, the friction will be due to metal surfaces in contact. This condition is represented by *cd* in Fig.

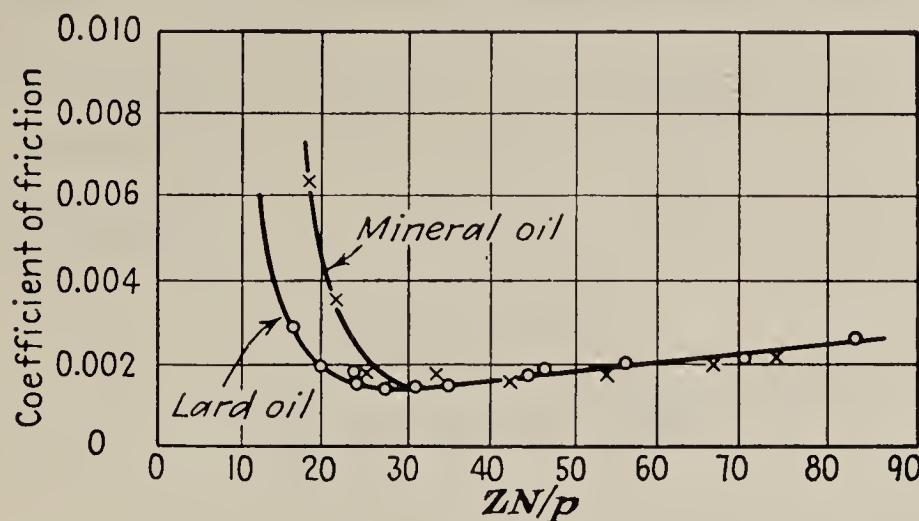


FIG. 21-17. Effect of oiliness on point of fluid-film rupture.

21-11. The following formula<sup>1</sup> may be used to estimate the coefficient of friction *f* under this condition:

$$f = \frac{C_1 C_2}{250} \sqrt[4]{\frac{p}{V}} \quad (21-8)$$

where  $C_1, C_2$  = values given in Table 21-2

*p* = bearing pressure on projected bearing area, psi

*V* = rubbing velocity, fpm

**21-11 Strength and stiffness of journal bearings.** The diameter of the journal is usually determined by making it equal to or somewhat less than

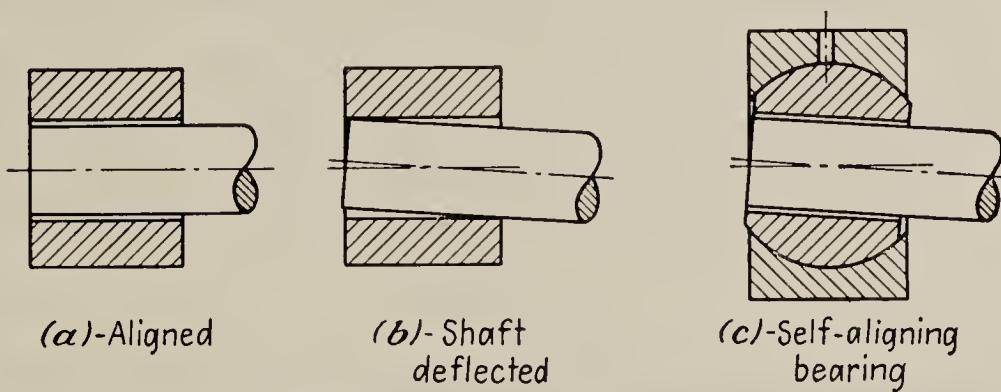


FIG. 21-18. Effect of shaft deflection on bearing alignment.

the adjacent diameter of the shaft. In most cases the shaft diameter is determined from a consideration of the strength and stiffness and possibly of the vibration requirements. However, the deflection of the journal in the bushing is an important consideration in order to prevent undue wear and failure of the oil film. In Fig. 21-18 there is shown diagrammatically a perfectly aligned bearing at (a), the effect of shaft deflection at (b), and a self-aligning bearing at (c), which may be necessary in some instances.

<sup>1</sup> Louis Illmer, High Pressure Lubrication, *Trans. ASME*, 1924, p. 833.

TABLE 21-2. FACTORS FOR EQUATION (21-8)  
Values of Factor  $C_1$

Method of lubrication	Workmanship	Attendance	Location	$C_1$
Bath, flooded or oil ring	High grade	First class	Clean and protected	1
Oil, free drop, constant feed	Good	Fairly good	Favorable (ordinary conditions)	2
Oil cup or grease, intermittent feed	Fair	Poor	Exposed to dirt or other unfavorable conditions	4

Values of Factor  $C_2$ 

Type and example of bearing	$C_2$
Rotating journals, such as rigid bearings and crankpins.....	1
Oscillating journals, such as rigid wrist pins and pintle blocks.....	1
Rotating journals lacking ample rigidity, such as eccentrics.....	2
Rotating flat surfaces lubricated from the center, such as annular step or pivot bearings.....	2
Sliding flat surfaces wiping over ends of guides, such as reciprocating crosshead shoes. (Use two for long and three for short guides.).....	2-3
Sliding or wiping surfaces such as marine thrust bearings and worm gears.....	3-4
Long nuts for power screws and similar wiping parts.....	4-6

The strength and stiffness of the bearing, bearing cap, and housing should also be considered so that they will support the imposed loads and will not deflect or distort beyond permissible limits. It is especially important to give careful consideration to the deflection of bearings and shafts that are required to support gears whose teeth must be kept accurately in mesh. This is especially true in bevel-gear mountings.

**21-12 Thermal equilibrium.** The heat generated in a bearing is due to fluid friction or to friction of the parts having relative motion. This heat can be readily determined when the coefficient of friction is known

$$H_1 = fPV \quad (21-9)$$

where  $H_1$  = heat generated, ft-lb per min

$f$  = coefficient of friction

$P$  = radial load on bearing, lb

$V$  = rubbing velocity, fpm

After thermal equilibrium has been reached, heat will be dissipated at the outer surface of the bearing at the same rate that it is generated in the oil film. The heat dissipated can be expressed in terms of the product of the dissipating area and the temperature drop between the surface and the surrounding air.

For convenience in bearing design, the actual heat-dissipating area may be expressed in terms of the projected area of the journal. Thus, the

equation becomes

$$H_2 = CA(t_b - t_a) \quad (21-10)$$

where  $H_2$  = heat dissipated by the bearing, ft-lb per min

$A$  = projected bearing area,  $Ld$ , in.<sup>2</sup>

$t_b$  = temperature of bearing surface, deg F

$t_a$  = temperature of surrounding air, deg F

$t_o$  = temperature of oil film, deg F

$C$  = heat-dissipation coefficient, ft-lb per min per sq in. of projected bearing area per deg F

Values of  $C$  have been determined by O. Lasche. The values depend on the type of bearing, its ventilation, and the temperature difference. Figure 21-19 gives values of  $C(t_b - t_a)$ .

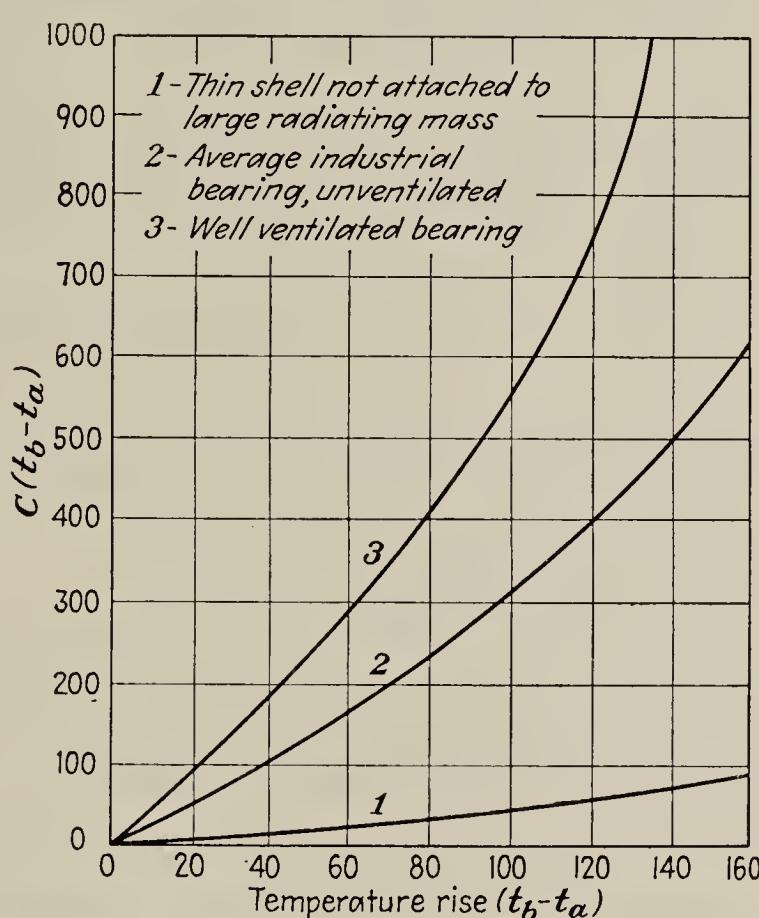


FIG. 21-19. Heat dissipation for plain bearings.

Experiments<sup>1</sup> show that the temperature at the outer surface of industrial bearings is approximately midway between the temperature of the oil film and the ambient temperature, i.e.,

$$(t_b - t_a) = \frac{1}{2}(t_o - t_a)$$

In some bearings, as in cold-water pumps, there may be conduction of heat *from* the bearing, while in steam turbines there may be conduction *to* the bearing. Because of the low heat conductivity of steel, however, conduction by the shaft is generally relatively small.

<sup>1</sup> M. D. Hersey, "Theory of Lubrication," p. 102, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1938.

**21-13 Design of journal bearing.** Because of the large number of variables involved, the design of a journal bearing usually requires making reasonable assumptions and then applying available equations to establish their validity. The following procedure is suggested when the bearing load and the diameter and speed of the shaft are known:

1. Determine the bearing length by choosing a ratio of  $L$  to  $d$  from Table 21-1.
2. Check the bearing pressure  $p = P/Ld$  from Table 21-1 for probable satisfactory value.
3. Assume a clearance ratio  $c/d$  from Table 21-1.
4. Assume a lubricant from Fig. 21-16, and an operating temperature  $t_o$ . This temperature should in general be between 80 and 140 F with 180 F as a maximum for high-temperature installations such as steam turbines. The lower temperatures result in high operating viscosity and resulting high power loss. Higher temperatures may cause film breakdown, rapid vaporization and oxidation of the lubricant, varnishing of the bearing, excessive side leakage, as well as the possibility of burning the hands of the attendant.
5. Determine the operating value of  $ZN/p$  for the assumed bearing temperature, and check this value with corresponding values in Table 21-1 to determine the possibility of maintaining fluid-film operation.
6. Determine the coefficient of friction by Eq. (21-5).
7. Determine the heat generated by Eq. (21-9).
8. Determine the heat dissipated by Eq. (21-10).
9. If thermal equilibrium is indicated by comparing the preceding two steps, then the assumed bearing temperature is established, and the operating conditions may be regarded as satisfactory.
10. If approximate equilibrium is not indicated, the designer must assume a different operating temperature, a different oil, or changed values of  $L$  and  $d$ , or artificial cooling if it is impossible to otherwise obtain equilibrium.

The above analysis assumes that the bearing load is essentially constant in magnitude and direction and that the speed is constant. If these conditions do not exist, the designer must consider the variations carefully and arrive at a prediction of probable conditions of service in the light of his own experience and that of others.<sup>1</sup>

Properly designed, installed, and operated journal bearings function very satisfactorily; however, their specifications, including that of the lubricant, require a careful and mature consideration of the numerous general and special considerations involved in any service.

<sup>1</sup> J. T. Burwell, The Calculated Performance of Dynamically Loaded Sleeve Bearings, *J. Appl. Mechanics*, vol. 14, no. 3, p. A-231, September, 1947.

**EXAMPLE 21-1.** A journal bearing is proposed for a centrifugal pump. The data are: load on journal = 8,770 lb, diameter = 6 in., length = 9¾ in., speed = 900 rpm, diametral clearance ratio = 0.0015, ambient temperature = 60 F. Assume oil No. 9 from Fig. 21-16. For an assumed temperature of the oil film,  $t_0 = 130$  deg, determine the heat generated (friction loss) and the heat dissipated.

**SOLUTION:** For 130 deg, the specific gravity is

$$\rho = 0.8638$$

From Fig. 21-16,

$$S = 97 \text{ sec}$$

From Eq. (21-7),

$$Z = 16.8 \text{ centipoises}$$

$$\text{Pressure } p = \frac{8,770}{6 \times 9.75} = 150 \text{ psi}$$

and

$$\frac{ZN}{p} = \frac{16.8 \times 900}{150} = 100.8$$

Item 27 in Table 21-1 shows that the pressure of 150 psi is within usual limits, and the operating value of  $ZN/p$  given in the table indicates that the point of film breakdown ( $c$  in Fig. 21-11) is of the order of one-fifth of the tabular value, i.e.,  $\frac{1}{5} \times 200 = 40$ . Hence the bearing being investigated will be expected to operate under hydrodynamic conditions and Eq. (21-5) may be used to estimate the coefficient of friction. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \frac{473}{10^{10}} \left( \frac{ZN}{p} \right) \left( \frac{d}{c} \right) + K = \frac{473}{10^{10}} (100.8) \left( \frac{1}{0.0015} \right) + 0.002 \\ &= 0.00317 + 0.002 = 0.00517 \\ V &= \frac{\pi d \text{ rpm}}{12} = \frac{\pi \times 6 \times 900}{12} = 1,415 \text{ fpm} \end{aligned}$$

The heat generated, Eq. (21-9), is

$$H_1 = fPV = 0.00517 \times 8,770 \times 1,415 = 6,300 \text{ ft-lb per min}$$

The heat dissipated is

$$t_b - t_a = \frac{t_o - t_a}{2} = \frac{130 - 60}{2} = 35 \text{ deg}$$

From Fig. 21-19,

$$C(t_b - t_a) = 90 \text{ ft-lb per sq in. per min}$$

$$H_2 = CA(t_b - t_a) = 6 \times 9.75 \times 90 = 5,260 \text{ ft-lb per min}$$

Thus the heat generated (6,300 ft-lb per min) is greater than the heat dissipated, which indicates that the bearing is warming up. As its temperature rises, the heat dissipated becomes greater, and the heat generated becomes less on account of the decrease in viscosity (and friction) as the temperature becomes higher.

In Fig. 21-20 is shown a graph drawn for heat generated and heat dissipated for other temperatures than the assumed value of 130 F. The intersection of the two curves shows that the equilibrium temperature is approximately 137 F. From item 4 in Art. 21-13, this temperature

would be reasonable and the choice of lubricant would be regarded as satisfactory.

The chart shows also that the friction loss at the equilibrium temperature is approximately 5,900 ft-lb per min.

**21-14 Systems of lubrication.** There are various means employed to supply the lubricant to bearings and to gears. It is important that the proper method be selected. A brief description of some systems is given here

1. *Hand oiling.* Suitable for slow speed and lightly loaded bearings.
2. *Drop-feed or wick-feed oilers.* Better than hand oiling, since the supply of lubricant is more uniform.

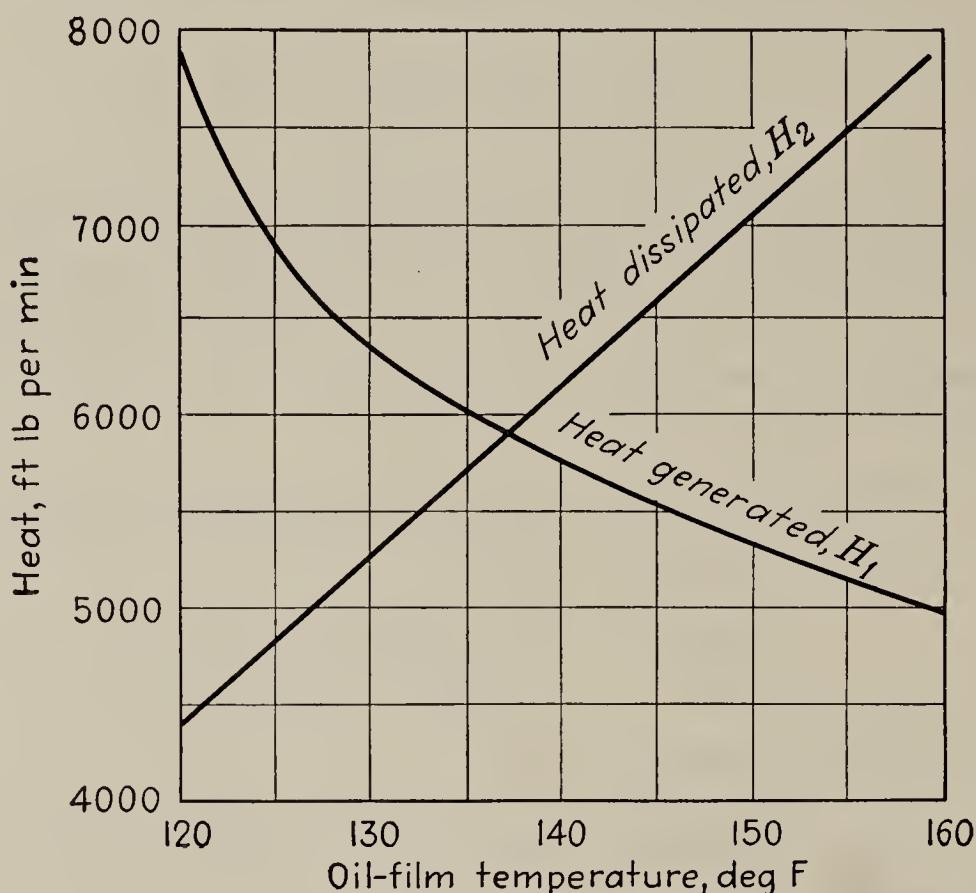


FIG. 21-20. Thermal equilibrium for a 6 × 9 3/4-in. journal bearing.

3. *Oil rings or chains.* Suitable for horizontal bearings. The ring or chain is slipped over the shaft at the mid-point of the bearing, runs with the shaft, and carries oil to the bearing from the reservoir into which it dips. This type of lubrication has been very widely used for motors, generators, and line shafts.

4. *Splash system.* In this system a rotating part, such as a gear, or a rotating disk called an *oil slinger*, runs in an oil reservoir and causes a shower of oil in the enclosed casing. The oil runs into channels and ducts and is led to the bearings. A continuous supply of lubricant may be secured by this method.

5. *Pressure feeding.* Bearings may be positively lubricated by introducing the lubricant under pressure at the proper points of the bearing. This method ensures an adequate supply of lubricant at a pressure suffi-

cient to prevent suction of air into the region of low pressure in bearings operating under conditions of fluid-film lubrication. The flow of lubricant may be in such quantities that most of the heat generated in the bearing will be carried away by the lubricant itself, so that the viscosity of the lubricant may thus be controlled. This may be necessary in heavily loaded bearings.

6. *Grease lubrication.* In parts loaded heavily and with low speeds so that fluid-film lubrication is not possible, grease may be used. Grease may be used also where dripping or spattering of oil is not permissible, as in food- or chemical-processing equipment.

7. *Shaft seals.* In order to prevent leakage of the lubricant from a bearing and to prevent foreign matter from entering, shaft seals may be necessary. Seals are available in many forms, such as felt or leather inserted in grooves in the bearing housings, or they may be purchased separately as a self-contained seal to mount in the housing.

## CHAPTER 22

### ROLLING CONTACT BEARINGS

**22-1 General considerations.** Ball and roller bearings are frequently referred to as "antifriction bearings." This is a misnomer, however, since friction is always present in such bearings owing to rolling resistance between the balls or rollers and the races and also to friction between the retainers and contacting parts and to churning of any excessive lubricant. For starting conditions and at moderate speeds, the friction of a ball or roller bearing is lower than that of an equivalent journal bearing, but at high speeds a properly designed and lubricated journal bearing has less

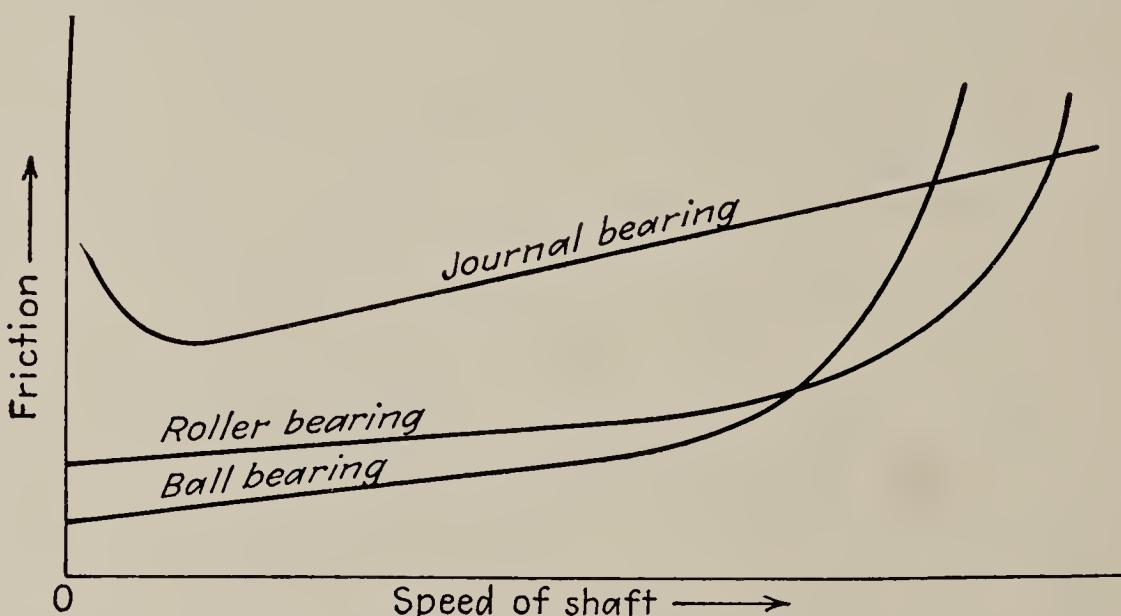


FIG. 22-1. Comparison of friction of bearings.

friction than an equivalent ball or roller bearing. The friction-speed relations are shown qualitatively by Fig. 22-1.

Because of the kinematic *line* contact of rollers, the roller bearing is generally used for large bearing loads in preference to ball bearings, which have kinematic *point* contact.

Some advantages of ball and roller bearings as compared with journal bearings are:

1. Friction is low except at high speeds.
2. Relatively accurate shaft alignment can be maintained.
3. Heavy momentary overloads can be carried.
4. Lubrication is simple.

5. Both radial and axial loads can be carried by some types.
6. Replacement is easy.
7. Selection of bearing from manufacturers' information is relatively simple.

Some disadvantages are:

1. The expense is generally greater because of the cost of the bearing and the necessary provision for mounting.
2. Failure of bearing can occur without warning and cause damage to machinery.

**22-2 Load ratings of ball and roller bearings.<sup>1</sup>** Because of the elastic deformations of the surfaces of the regions of contact between a ball or roller and the races, the contact pressure is distributed over the areas in contact. The extent of the areas depends on the elastic properties of the materials, on the size of the balls or rollers, and on the form of the raceways. In order to provide a large area and in turn to reduce the pressure in a ball bearing, the raceways are formed as shown schematically in Fig. 22-2(a). The radii of curvatures for the curves *ab* are made slightly greater than the radius of the ball. The contact area in a roller bearing is shown in Fig. 22-2(b).

In a ball or roller bearing, the load-carrying capacity is based on the surface endurance limit of the material. The *rated load* of a bearing is the load it will carry for a specified life of the bearing when operating at a definite speed. For other expected periods of life and for other speeds, the load that the bearing should be required to carry must be altered accordingly.

The theoretical basis for the design of ball and roller bearings is found in the works of Hertz and Stribeck, but the commercial ratings and the factors for speed, life, and shock are based mainly on performance data. For satisfactory bearings, it is necessary to make the parts of high-grade material properly heat-treated, accurately formed, and with finely finished surfaces. Failure of bearings generally occurs because of pitting of the balls or rollers and the raceways.

High-speed bearings, however, usually fail at the cage or retainer used to space the rolling elements. The friction at this point is of sliding

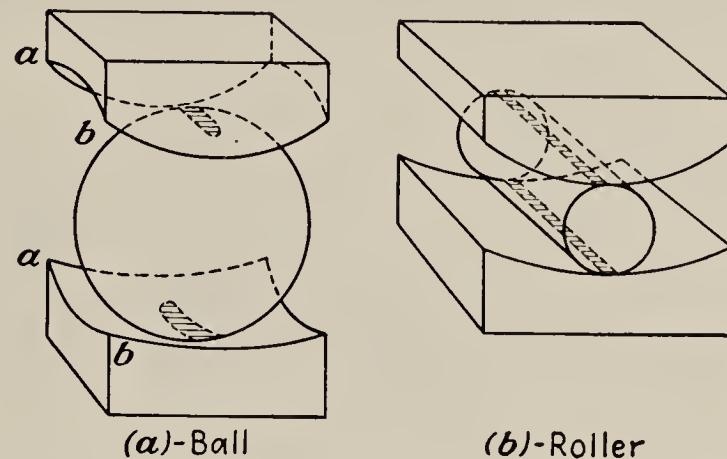


FIG. 22-2. Contact areas in ball and roller bearings.

<sup>1</sup> See R. K. Allan, "Rolling Bearings," Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Ltd., London, 1945, for history, theory, design, and application of ball and roller bearings; A. Palmgren, Ball and Roller Bearing Engineering, SKF Industries, Philadelphia, 1945.

nature and failure is caused by relatively high loads at high speeds and by inadequate lubrication.<sup>1</sup> High-speed bearings in aircraft units may operate at speeds over 20,000 rpm. It is customary to refer to the operation of such bearings in terms of  $DN$  values, where  $D$  is the diameter of the bore in millimeters and  $N$  is the rpm.  $DN$  values up to  $3.5 \times 10^6$  are in development, for a bearing life of 1,000 hr.

**22-3 Types of radial ball bearings.** As shown in Fig. 22-3(a), the parts of a radial ball bearing are the outer race  $c$ , the inner race  $d$ , the balls  $e$ , and the retainer  $f$ . The retainer is usually in two parts which are assembled after the balls have been properly spaced. The grooves which form the path for the rolling elements are known as raceways. When a ball bearing supports only a radial load  $R$ , as shown in Fig. 22-3(a), the

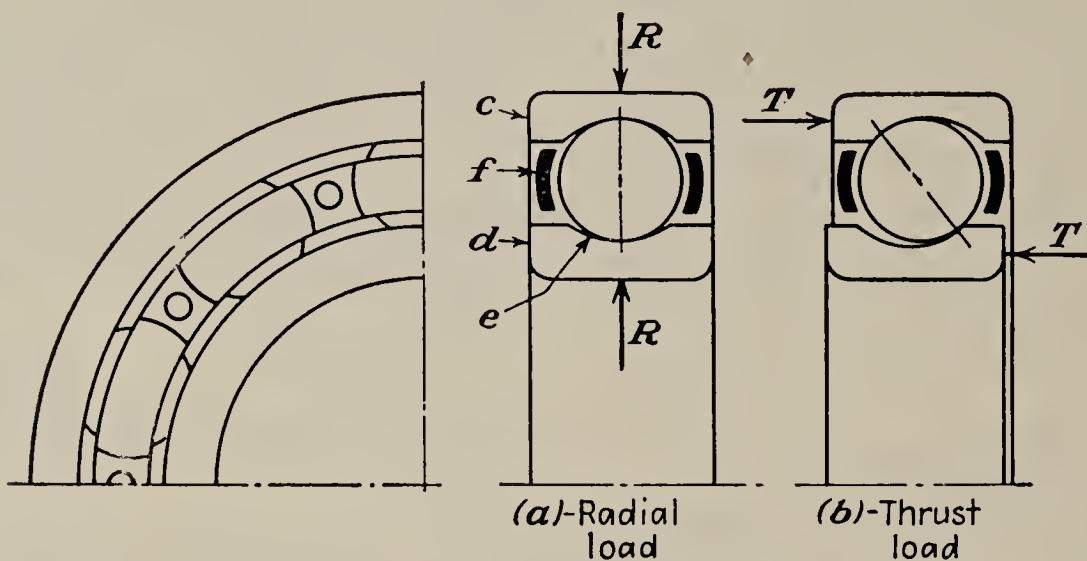


FIG. 22-3. Radial and thrust loads on ball bearings. Section lines are omitted in conformity with general practice.

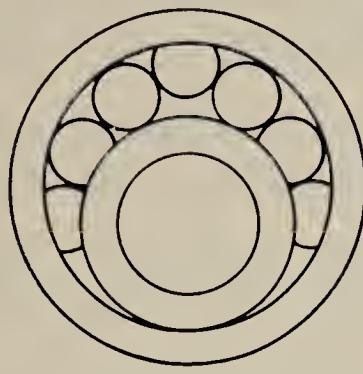
plane of rotation of the ball is normal to the center line of the bearing. As shown at (b) in the figure, the action of a thrust load  $T$  is to shift the plane of rotation of the balls. Both radial and thrust loads may be carried simultaneously.

Many types of radial ball bearings have been developed. The general features of some commonly used industrial types are discussed here.

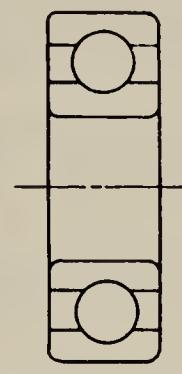
*Single-row deep groove bearings.* In the assembly of this bearing, the inner race is placed eccentric with the outer race, and then the balls are inserted in the crescent-shaped space, as shown in Fig. 22-4. The balls are then evenly spaced as the races are brought into concentric relation. The halves of the retainer are then assembled so that the balls will remain evenly spaced but can rotate freely. Even spacing of the balls is desirable from the standpoints of distribution of the load and balance of the bearing.

<sup>1</sup> See Trends of Rolling-contact Bearings as Applied to Aircraft Gas Turbine Engines, NACA TN 3110, April, 1954.

*Radial ball bearing with filling notches.* By employing a filling notch in each of the races, as shown in Fig. 22-5, additional balls may be inserted after the races are brought into concentric relation. The bottom of each filling notch does not reach to the bottom of its raceway and therefore the balls inserted through the notches must be forced in position. Some bearings of this type, particularly small ones, have as many balls as the



(a)-Eccentric



(b)-Concentric

FIG. 22-4. Assembly of deep-groove ball bearing.

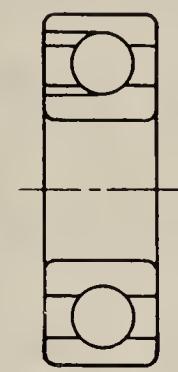
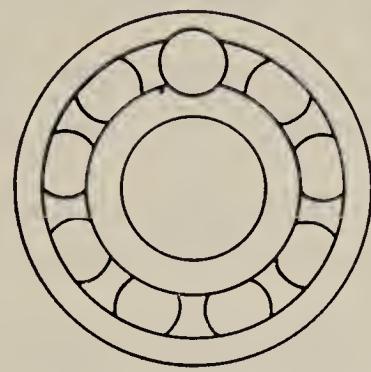


FIG. 22-5. Filling-notch type of radial ball bearing.

annular space will contain and thus a retainer is not necessary to space the balls. Generally less than the maximum number of balls are used and therefore a retainer is necessary.

Since a bearing of this type contains a larger number of balls than a corresponding unnotched one, it has a larger rated *radial* load capacity but the filling notches reduce the allowable *thrust* load.

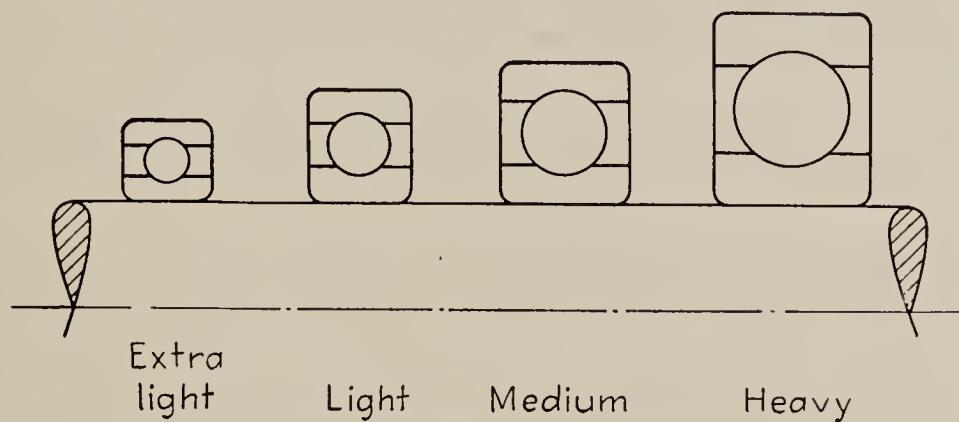


FIG. 22-6. Ball-bearing series.

*Proportions of radial ball bearings.* Ball bearings are available in four series for each standard bore as shown in Fig. 22-6. The *extra-light* and *light* series are used where the loads are moderate and shaft sizes comparatively large and also where available space is limited. The *medium* series has a capacity 30 to 40 per cent over the *light* series. The *heavy* series has 20 to 30 per cent capacity over the *medium* series. This series is not used extensively in industrial applications.

*Other types of radial ball bearings.* Of the many types of radial ball bearings made by the various manufacturers, the single-row type that

TABLE 22-1. RATED RADIAL LOADS FOR SINGLE-ROW DEEP-GROOVE BALL BEARINGS\*

Bear-ing No.	Revolutions per minute										
	50	100	300	500	720	1,000	1,200	1,800	2,500	3,600	5,000
3200	570	430	365	320	295	270	260	235	215	195	180
3300	760	640	485	430	390	360	345	310	285	260	240
3201	570	480	365	320	295	270	260	235	215	195	180
3301	985	825	630	555	505	465	445	400	370	340	310
3202	615	515	390	345	315	290	275	250	230	210	195
3302	1,230	1,040	785	695	630	580	555	500	460	420	390
3203	1,080	905	685	605	555	510	485	440	405	370	340
3303	1,500	1,260	960	845	770	710	680	615	565	515	475
3204	1,350	1,130	860	755	690	635	605	550	505	460	425
3304	2,150	1,800	1,370	1,210	1,100	1,010	965	870	805	735	680
3205	1,460	1,220	930	820	750	690	660	595	550	500	460
3305	2,350	1,970	1,500	1,320	1,210	1,110	1,060	960	885	805	740
3206	2,150	1,810	1,370	1,210	1,110	1,020	975	880	810	740	680
3306	3,110	2,620	1,990	1,750	1,600	1,470	1,400	1,270	1,170	1,070	985
3207	2,940	2,480	1,880	1,660	1,510	1,390	1,330	1,200	1,110	1,010	930
3307	3,850	3,240	2,460	2,170	1,980	1,820	1,740	1,570	1,450	1,320	1,220
3208	3,370	2,830	2,150	1,890	1,730	1,590	1,520	1,370	1,260	1,150	1,060
3308	4,650	3,910	2,970	2,610	2,390	2,200	2,100	1,900	1,750	1,600	1,470
3209	3,610	3,040	2,310	2,030	1,860	1,710	1,630	1,480	1,360	1,240	1,140
3309	5,440	4,580	3,480	3,060	2,790	2,570	2,460	2,220	2,040	1,870	1,720
3210	3,850	3,240	2,460	2,170	1,980	1,820	1,740	1,570	1,450	1,320	
3310	6,350	5,340	4,060	3,570	3,260	3,000	2,870	2,590	2,390	2,180	
3211	4,760	4,000	3,040	2,680	2,440	2,250	2,150	1,940	1,790	1,630	
3311	7,170	6,030	4,580	4,040	3,680	3,390	3,240	2,930	2,700	2,460	
3212	5,390	4,540	3,450	3,030	2,770	2,550	2,440	2,200	2,030	1,850	
3312	7,990	6,720	5,100	4,490	4,110	3,780	3,610	3,260	3,010	2,740	
3213	6,320	5,310	4,040	3,550	3,250	2,990	2,860	2,580	2,380	2,170	
3313	8,860	7,450	5,660	4,980	4,550	4,190	4,000	3,620	3,330	3,040	

\* Based on average life of 3,800 hr. Type 3000 New Departure. (Abridged table.)

TABLE 22-1. RATED RADIAL LOADS FOR SINGLE-ROW DEEP-GROOVE BALL BEARINGS (*Continued*)

Bear-ing No.	Revolutions per minute										
	50	100	300	500	720	1,000	1,200	1,800	2,500	3,600	5,000
3214	6,730	5,660	4,300	3,790	3,450	3,180	3,040	2,750	2,530	2,310	
3314	9,760	8,210	6,240	5,490	5,020	4,620	4,410	3,990	3,670	3,350	
3215	6,730	5,660	4,300	3,790	3,450	3,180	3,040	2,750	2,530	2,310	
3315	10,175	8,560	6,510	5,730	5,220	4,810	4,600	4,150	3,830	3,490	
3216	7,250	6,100	4,640	4,080	3,720	3,430	3,280	2,960	2,730	2,490	
3316	11,125	9,360	7,110	6,260	5,710	5,260	5,030	4,540	4,180		
3217	8,870	7,460	5,670	4,990	4,550	4,190	4,000	3,620	3,330		
3317	12,050	10,125	7,700	6,780	6,190	5,700	5,450	4,920	4,530		
3218	9,870	8,300	6,310	5,550	5,070	4,670	4,460	4,030	3,710		
3318	13,050	10,975	8,340	7,340	6,700	6,170	5,890	5,330	4,910		

has been described is in most common industrial use. Other types are shown in section in Fig. 22-7.

**22-4 Selection of radial ball bearings.** In determining the type and size of radial ball bearings for a particular installation, the data and procedure used should be that recommended by the company from whom the bearings are to be purchased. The selection procedures used by the various companies are similar in general but vary in detail. For the purpose of illustration, a typical procedure is outlined here.

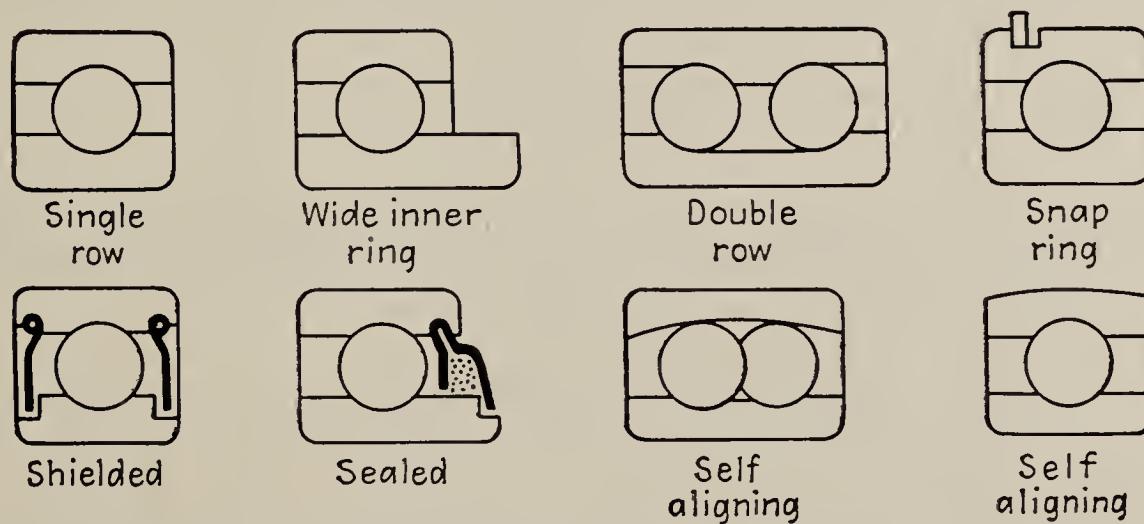


FIG. 22-7. Types of radial ball bearings.

The rated radial-load capacities for light (200) and medium (300) series of the deep-groove type of bearing for various speeds are given in Table 22-1. The table applies to bearings in which the inner race rotates.

The data that should be known for the selection of the bearing are as follows:

Radial load, lb

Thrust load, lb

Speed of bearing, rpm

Desired life of bearing, hr

Conditions of loading

The *rated* radial load of a bearing to comply with these conditions may be found from the following equation; then a bearing may be selected from Table 22-1.

$$C = RFLS \quad (22-1)$$

where  $R$  = radial load on bearing, lb

$T$  = thrust load on bearing, lb

$F$  = thrust factor (Table 22-2)

$L$  = life factor (Fig. 22-8)

$S$  = service factor (Table 22-3)

$C$  = rated radial load, lb (Table 22-1); if rating in Table 22-1 is not given for specified operating speed, Table 22-4 may be

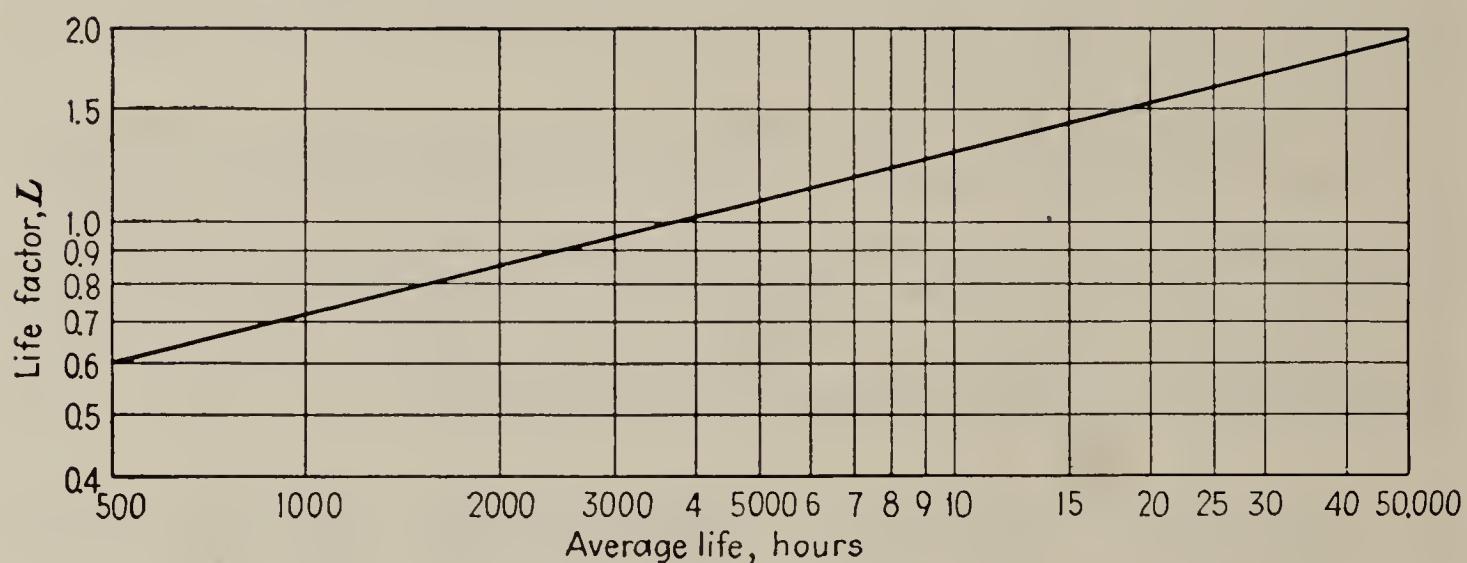


FIG. 22-8. Life factor  $L$ .

used for interpolation by multiplying the load rating in Table 22-1 at 1,000 rpm by the speed factor  $F_s$ , from Table 22-4, for the operating speed

TABLE 22-2. THRUST FACTOR  $F$

$T/R$	$F$	$T/R$	$F$	$T/R$	$F$	$T/R$	$F$	$T/R$	$F$
0.05	1.01	0.30	1.12	0.60	1.37	1.25	2.02	4.00	4.76
0.10	1.02	0.35	1.16	0.70	1.46	1.50	2.27	5.00	5.77
0.15	1.04	0.40	1.20	0.80	1.56	1.75	2.52	7.50	8.27
0.20	1.06	0.45	1.24	0.90	1.67	2.00	2.77	10.00	10.77
0.25	1.09	0.50	1.28	1.00	1.77	3.00	3.77		

TABLE 22-3. SERVICE FACTORS  $S$ 

<i>Service</i>	$S$
Uniform and steady load.....	1.0
Light shock load.....	1.5
Moderate shock load.....	2.0
Heavy shock load.....	2.5
Extreme and indeterminate load.....	3.0

TABLE 22-4. SPEED FACTORS  $F_s$ 

Rpm	$F_s$	Rpm	$F_s$	Rpm	$F_s$	Rpm	$F_s$	Rpm	$F_s$	Rpm	$F_s$	Rpm	$F_s$
10	3.162	270	1.387	825	1.049	1,725	0.8726	3,250	0.7448	5,100	0.6654	8,700	0.5823
15	2.858	280	1.375	850	1.041	1,750	0.8695	3,300	0.7419	5,200	0.6622	8,800	0.5806
		290	1.363	875	1.034	1,775	0.8664	3,350	0.7392	5,300	0.6591	8,900	0.5790
20	2.659	300	1.351	900	1.027	1,800	0.8633	3,400	0.7364	5,400	0.6560	9,000	0.5774
25	2.515	310	1.340	925	1.020	1,825	0.8604	3,450	0.7337	5,500	0.6530	9,100	0.5758
30	2.403	320	1.330	950	1.013	1,850	0.8575	3,500	0.7311	5,600	0.6501	9,200	0.5742
35	2.312	330	1.320	975	1.006	1,875	0.8546	3,550	0.7285	5,700	0.6472	9,300	0.5726
40	2.236	340	1.310	1,000	1.000	1,900	0.8518	3,600	0.7260	5,800	0.6444	9,400	0.5711
45	2.171	350	1.300	1,025	0.9938	1,925	0.8490	3,650	0.7235	5,900	0.6416	9,500	0.5696
50	2.115	360	1.291	1,050	0.9878	1,950	0.8462	3,700	0.7210	6,000	0.6389	9,600	0.5681
55	2.065	370	1.282	1,075	0.9821	1,975	0.8436	3,750	0.7186	6,100	0.6363	9,700	0.5666
60	2.021	380	1.274	1,100	0.9765	2,000	0.8409	3,800	0.7162	6,200	0.6337	9,800	0.5652
65	1.981	390	1.265	1,125	0.9710	2,050	0.8357	3,850	0.7139	6,300	0.6312	9,900	0.5637
70	1.944	400	1.257	1,150	0.9657	2,100	0.8307	3,900	0.7116	6,400	0.6287	10,000	0.5624
75	1.911	410	1.250	1,175	0.9605	2,150	0.8258	3,950	0.7093	6,500	0.6263		
80	1.880	420	1.242	1,200	0.9554	2,200	0.8211	4,000	0.7071	6,600	0.6239		
85	1.852	430	1.235	1,225	0.9506	2,250	0.8165	4,050	0.7049	6,700	0.6215		
90	1.826	440	1.228	1,250	0.9457	2,300	0.8120	4,100	0.7027	6,800	0.6193		
95	1.801	450	1.221	1,275	0.9411	2,350	0.8077	4,150	0.7006	6,900	0.6170		
100	1.778	460	1.214	1,300	0.9365	2,400	0.8034	4,200	0.6985	7,000	0.6148		
110	1.736	470	1.208	1,325	0.9321	2,450	0.7993	4,250	0.6965	7,100	0.6126		
120	1.699	480	1.201	1,350	0.9277	2,500	0.7953	4,300	0.6944	7,200	0.6105		
130	1.665	490	1.195	1,375	0.9235	2,550	0.7914	4,350	0.6924	7,300	0.6084		
140	1.635	500	1.189	1,400	0.9193	2,600	0.7875	4,400	0.6905	7,400	0.6063		
150	1.607	525	1.175	1,425	0.9153	2,650	0.7838	4,450	0.6885	7,500	0.6043		
160	1.581	550	1.161	1,450	0.9113	2,700	0.7801	4,500	0.6866	7,600	0.6023		
170	1.557	575	1.149	1,475	0.9074	2,750	0.7765	4,550	0.6847	7,700	0.6003		
180	1.535	600	1.136	1,500	0.9036	2,800	0.7731	4,600	0.6828	7,800	0.5984		
190	1.515	625	1.125	1,525	0.8999	2,850	0.7696	4,650	0.6810	7,900	0.5965		
200	1.495	650	1.114	1,550	0.8962	2,900	0.7663	4,700	0.6792	8,000	0.5946		
210	1.477	675	1.103	1,575	0.8926	2,950	0.7630	4,750	0.6774	8,100	0.5928		
220	1.460	700	1.093	1,600	0.8891	3,000	0.7598	4,800	0.6756	8,200	0.5910		
230	1.444	725	1.084	1,625	0.8857	3,050	0.7567	4,850	0.6738	8,300	0.5892		
240	1.429	750	1.075	1,650	0.8823	3,100	0.7536	4,900	0.6721	5,400	0.5874		
250	1.414	775	1.066	1,675	0.8790	3,150	0.7506	4,950	0.6704	8,500	0.5856		
260	1.400	800	1.057	1,700	0.8758	3,200	0.7477	5,000	0.6687	8,600	0.5840		

TABLE 22-5. PRINCIPAL DIMENSIONS FOR RADIAL BALL BEARINGS

Brg. No. plain	Bore		Diameter		Width		Balls		Radi- us $r$
	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	Diam.	No.	
3200	10	0.3937	30	1.1811	9	0.3543	$\frac{7}{32}$	7	0.025
3300			35	1.3780	11	0.4331	$\frac{1}{4}$	7	
3201	12	0.4724	32	1.2598	10	0.3937	0.210	8	0.025
3301			37	1.4567	12	0.4724	$\frac{9}{32}$	7	0.04
3202	15	0.5906	35	1.3780	11	0.4331	0.210	9	0.025
3302			42	1.6535	13	0.5118	$\frac{5}{16}$	7	0.04
3203	17	0.6693	40	1.5748	12	0.4724	$\frac{9}{32}$	8	0.025
3303			47	1.8504	14	0.5512	$1\frac{1}{32}$	7	0.04
3204	20	0.7874	47	1.8504	14	0.5512	$\frac{5}{16}$	8	0.04
3304			52	2.0472	15	0.5906	$1\frac{3}{32}$	7	
3205	25	0.9843	52	2.0472	15	0.5906	$\frac{5}{16}$	9	0.04
3305			62	2.4409	17	0.6693	$1\frac{3}{32}$	8	
3206	30	1.1811	62	2.4409	16	0.6299	$\frac{3}{8}$	9	0.04
3306			72	2.8346	19	0.7480	$1\frac{5}{32}$	8	
3207	35	1.3780	72	2.8346	17	0.6693	$\frac{7}{16}$	9	0.04
3307			80	3.1496	21	0.8268	$1\frac{7}{32}$	8	0.06
3208	40	1.5748	80	3.1496	18	0.7087	$1\frac{5}{32}$	9	0.04
3308			90	3.5433	23	0.9055	$1\frac{9}{32}$	8	0.06
3209	45	1.7717	85	3.3465	19	0.7480	$1\frac{5}{32}$	10	0.04
3309			100	3.9370	25	0.9843	$2\frac{1}{32}$	8	0.06
3210	50	1.9685	90	3.5433	20	0.7874	$1\frac{5}{32}$	11	0.04
3310			110	4.3307	27	1.0630	$2\frac{3}{32}$	8	0.08
3211	55	2.1654	100	3.9370	21	0.8268	$1\frac{7}{32}$	11	0.06
3311			120	4.7244	29	1.1417	$2\frac{5}{32}$	8	0.08
3212	60	2.3622	110	4.3307	22	0.8661	$1\frac{9}{32}$	10	0.06
3312			130	5.1181	31	1.2205	$2\frac{7}{32}$	8	0.08
3213	65	2.5591	120	4.7244	23	0.9055	$2\frac{1}{32}$	10	0.06
3313			140	5.5118	33	1.2992	$2\frac{9}{32}$	8	0.08
3214	70	2.7559	125	4.9213	24	0.9449	$2\frac{1}{32}$	11	0.06
3314			150	5.9055	35	1.3780	$3\frac{1}{32}$	8	0.08
3215	75	2.9528	130	5.1181	25	0.9843	$2\frac{1}{32}$	11	0.06
3315			160	6.2992	37	1.4567	1	8	0.08
3216	80	3.1496	140	5.5118	26	1.0236	$1\frac{1}{16}$	11	
3316			170	6.6929	39	1.5354	$1\frac{1}{16}$	8	
3217	85	3.3465	150	5.9055	28	1.1024	$2\frac{5}{32}$	11	0.08
3317			180	7.0866	41	1.6142	$1\frac{1}{8}$	8	0.10
3218	90	3.5433	160	6.2992	30	1.1811	$2\frac{7}{32}$	11	0.08
3318			190	7.4803	43	1.6929	$1\frac{3}{16}$	8	0.10

In many cases it is found that a bearing selected on the basis of load-carrying capacity has a bore too small to allow it to be mounted on its shaft so that it is necessary to select a bearing on the basis of dimensions, even though it has excessive load-carrying capacity. The dimensions of bearings referred to in Table 22-1 are given in Table 22-5. Fortunately, the dimensions of rolling-contact bearings are standardized. Interchangeability tables are available for various makes of bearings.

**22-5 Installation of radial ball bearings.** A common type of ball-bearing installation is that in which the bearing is used to support a rotating shaft. The inner race is fitted to the shaft with a light press fit and may be held firmly on the shaft by a retaining nut or other positive means. All fits and clearances should follow standards. The inner-race fit on the shaft should be sufficient to give a firm mounting but not too tight a fit because this may deform the inner race and destroy the clearance between the rolling elements and the raceways. The outer race should be mounted with a firm fit in the housing. If it is not tight enough, the outer race may tend to "creep." This is undesirable in that it may cause "fretting." Failure records of ball bearings with restrained outer races<sup>1</sup> show that 60 per cent are inner-race failures; 20 per cent are ball failures; 10 per cent are retainer and outer-race breakdowns.

The reason that inner-race failures are more prevalent than failures of the outer race is that the contact pressure is greater at the inner raceway where it curves away from the ball than at the outer raceway where it curves with the ball.

In mounting the bearing, the housing shoulder and the shaft shoulder (Fig. 22-9) should follow standards.

A typical mounting with cap and shaft seal is shown in Fig. 22-10. The bearing at the left-hand end of the shaft at (a) will take thrust in either direction in addition to a radial load. The shaft should have end play of 0.002 to 0.01 in., depending on the size of the bearing.

The outer race of the bearing on the right-hand end of the shaft at (b) should be free to move axially to avoid cramping of the bearings because of axial deformation of the shaft produced by thrust loads or expansion caused by temperature changes.

**22-6 Ball thrust bearings.** Where heavy thrust loads are to be carried, for example, in worm drives and vertical shafts, ball thrust bearings are

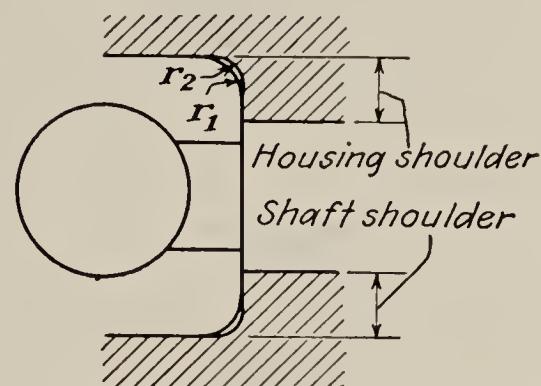


FIG. 22-9. Shoulder heights and fillet radii.

<sup>1</sup> Irving Kalikow, Creep of Ball Bearing Races, *Product Eng.*, vol. 20, no. 4, April, 1949.

applicable. Sections of three types of ball thrust bearings are shown in Fig. 22-11. The mounting of the worm shaft shown in Fig. 22-12 is an application of a double-direction ball thrust bearing to carry the axial load and of radial roller bearings to carry the radial loads.

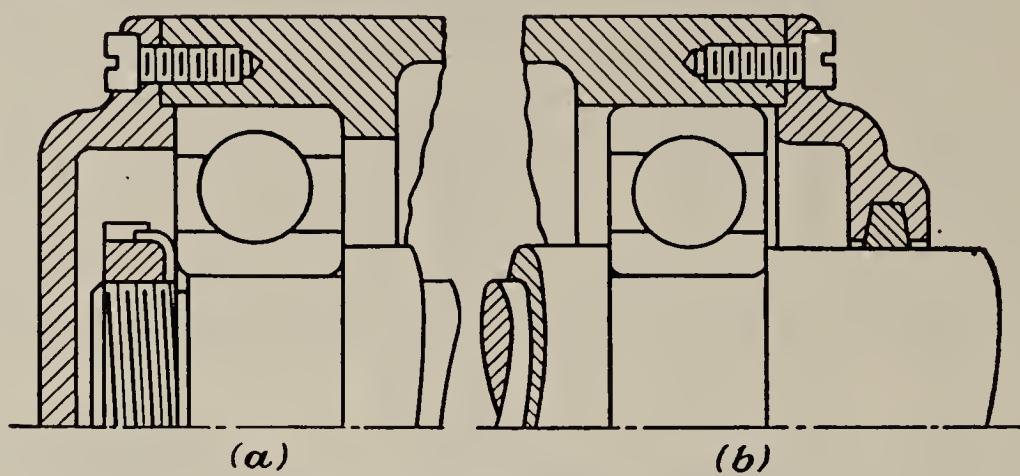


FIG. 22-10. Ball-bearing mounting.

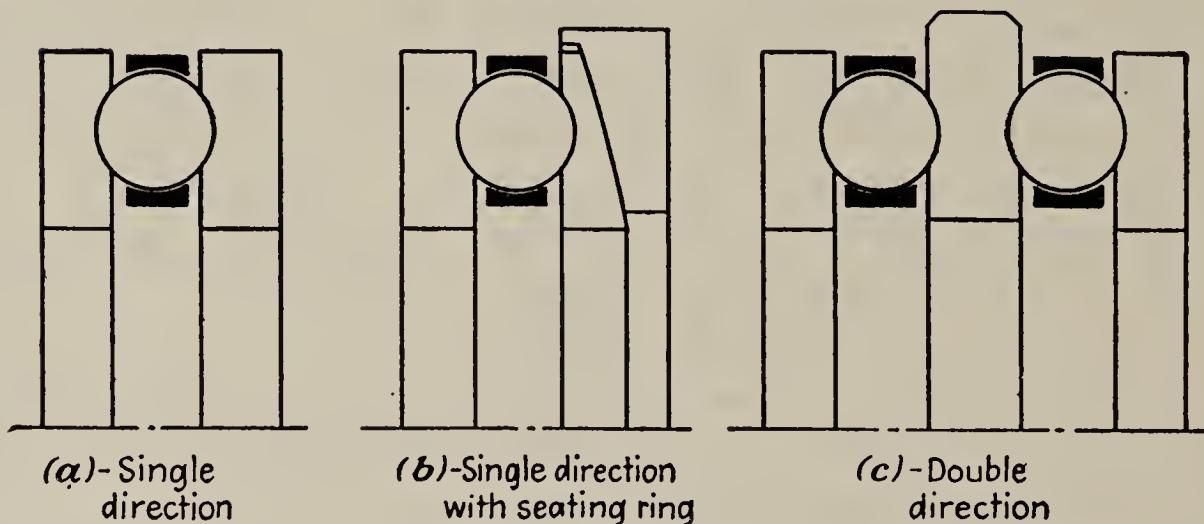


FIG. 22-11. Ball thrust bearings.

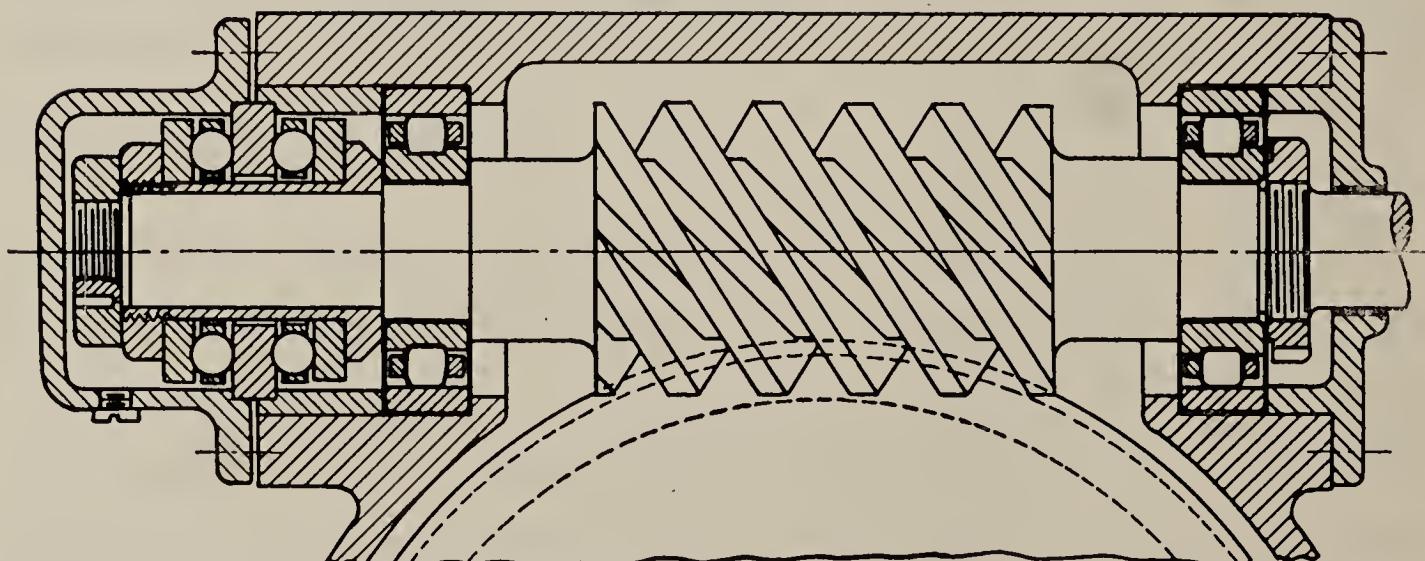


FIG. 22-12. Mounting for worm shaft.

**22-7 Radial roller bearings. Norma Hoffman and SKF type.** This bearing has cylindrical rollers that run in cylindrical raceways. In a common construction (see Fig. 22-13) the inner race is provided with retaining shoulders, but the outer raceway is straight. This construction

permits axial movement of the shaft. The bearing is interchangeable with ball bearings of corresponding size, and has a radial load capacity 100 per cent higher than the ball bearing; but it will not carry a thrust load.

A common type of shaft mounting where a load is carried by a shaft extension is shown in Fig. 22-14. The roller bearing carries the heavy

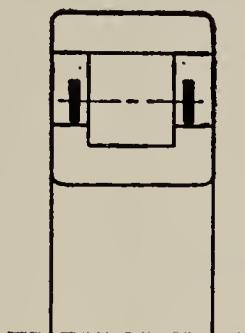


FIG. 22-13. Radial roller bearing.

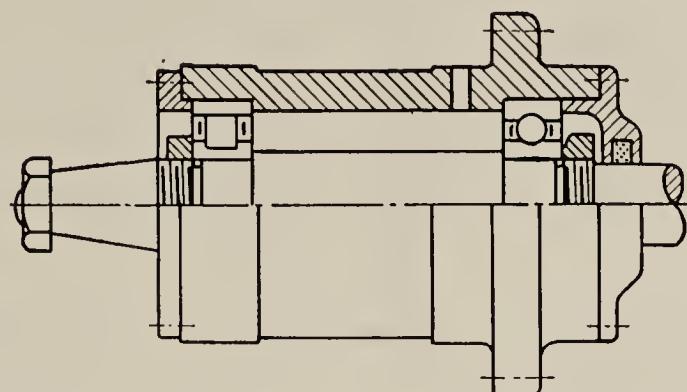


FIG. 22-14. Mounting for shaft with extension.

radial load while the ball bearing carries the lighter radial load and serves to locate the shaft axially.

The *Hyatt* roller bearing has hollow cylindrical rollers, each made by winding a flat strip of steel in the form of a helix. The flexibility provided by this construction allows the rollers to adjust themselves to slight irregularities in the raceways. It is thus possible to run the rollers directly on the hardened and ground shaft, thus saving radial space.

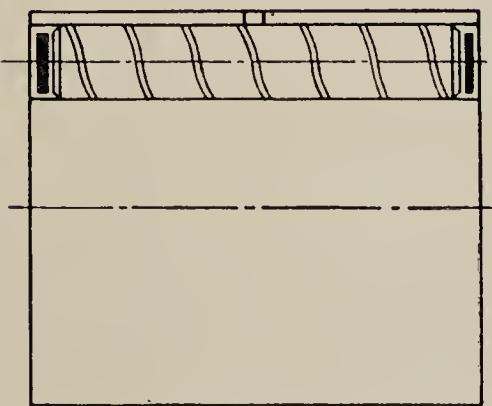
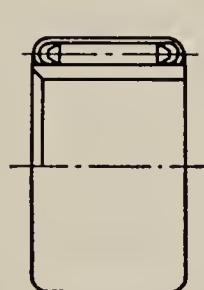
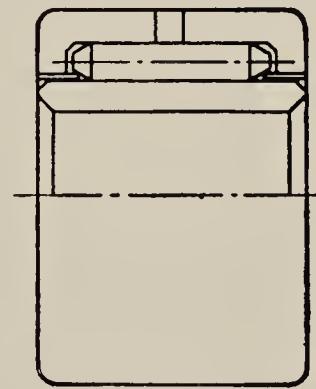


FIG. 22-15. Hyatt roller bearing.



(a)-Torrington



(b)-Bantam

FIG. 22-16. Needle, or quill, bearings.

The rollers are wound alternately right- and left-hand in order to aid in the distribution of the lubricant along the rollers.

*Needle bearings.* These are roller bearings in which the rollers are small in diameter and relatively long. They run without retainers, as shown in Fig. 22-16. The rollers, or "needles," may run directly on the shaft. This type of bearing is used where space in a radial direction is limited. Two types are available, one with a drawn shell in which the rollers usually run directly on the hardened shaft, and the other for greater

capacities has a heavy outer race and usually an inner race [see Fig. 22-16(a) and (b)].

**22-8 Angular roller bearings.** The angular, or tapered, roller bearing combines the high radial load-carrying capacity of a roller bearing with a thrust capacity in one direction. Since at least two bearings are necessary to support most shafts, angular bearings can be so mounted that one will support the thrust load in one direction and the other in the opposite direction.

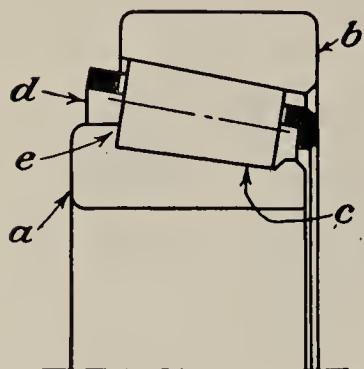


FIG. 22-17. Angular roller bearing.

As shown in Fig. 22-17, this bearing has four parts: (a) the inner race or cone, (b) the outer race or cup, (c) the rollers, and (d) the retainer. The principle of operation of the bearing, as shown in Fig. 22-18, is that the elements of the conical surfaces of the rollers and of the raceways intersect at a common apex on the center line of the bearing, so that pure rolling motion will exist between the rollers and the raceways. The taper of the rollers is only a few degrees.

Since the conical surface of each roller is subjected to pressures acting normal to the surfaces, as shown in Fig. 22-19, there will be a resultant force tending to force the roller from its place between the races. To retain the roller in place it is necessary to provide a rib on the cone as shown at *e* in Fig. 22-17. The contact between the large end of the roller and the rib introduces sliding friction in the bearing, which in well-designed bearings is usually small. A typical mounting using tapered roller bearings is shown in Fig. 22-20.

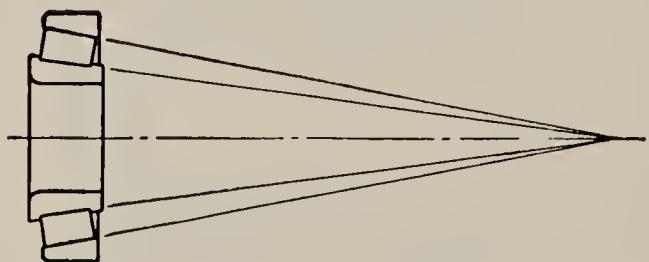


FIG. 22-18. Elements of conical surfaces intersect axis of bearing.

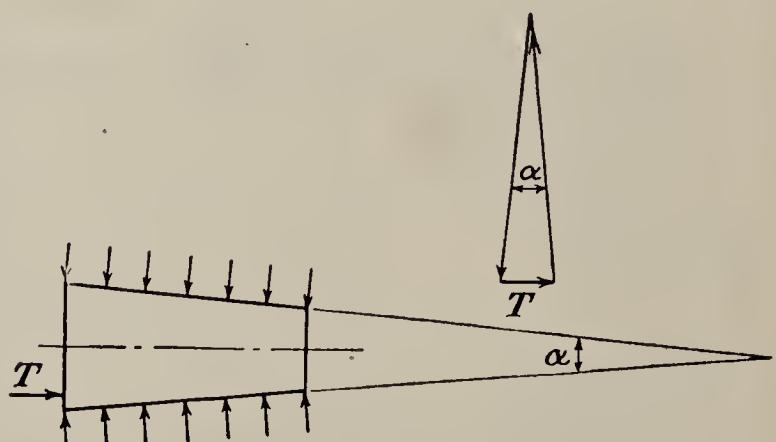


FIG. 22-19. Forces on tapered roller.

**22-9 Lubrication of ball and roller bearings.** The pressures existing between the balls or rollers and the raceways are so high that a fluid film of lubricant will not generally exist in loaded bearings. In order to assist in the maintenance of an adsorbed film between the load-carrying parts and thus prevent undue friction and wear, the surfaces of the balls or rollers and the raceways must be finely finished and the finish must be maintained throughout the life of the bearing.

The functions of the lubricant in ball and roller bearings are to (a) prevent rust and corrosion; (b) aid in preventing entrance of foreign matter, such as water, dust, etc.; (c) reduce friction and wear between rubbing parts of the bearing; (d) dissipate heat.

Oils and greases are the most common lubricants for ball and roller bearings. Oil may be used where the lubricating service is dependable and the loads are relatively light, and also where the unit operates continuously and the loads and speeds are such that it is necessary to make use of a circulating oil-feed system to carry away the heat generated. In order to prevent excessive churning of the oil, especially at high speeds, the level of the oil for a bearing of a horizontal shaft should be near the top of the lowest ball.

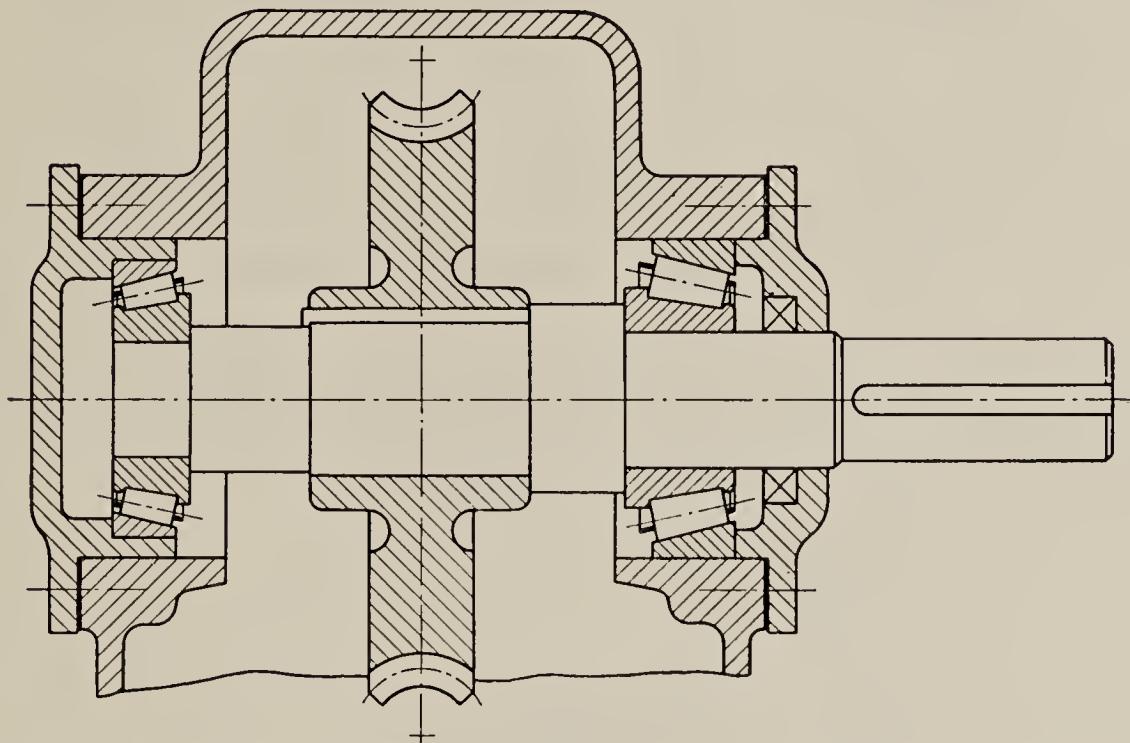


FIG. 22-20. Worm-gear shaft mounted on Timken tapered-roller bearings.

Greases are used where the loads are high or where it is desired to extend the lubrication periods because of service conditions or because of the inaccessibility of bearings. In many cases regreasing of bearings is required every 6 to 24 months, depending on the service and the type of grease. To allow space for grease expansion due to temperature change and to prevent churning, it is recommended that the bearing be packed half full of grease.

**22-10 Shaft seals and bearing shields.** To prevent loss of the lubricant from a ball or roller bearing or from the housing in which it is mounted and to aid in preventing the entrance of foreign matter as water and dust, a seal or shield should be used. The seal or shield may be an integral part of the bearing, it may be incorporated in the bearing cover, or it may be a separate self-contained seal. Examples of seals and shields are shown in Fig. 22-21. Many other types and arrangements of shaft

and bearing seals are available or may be devised to suit the individual installation.<sup>1</sup>

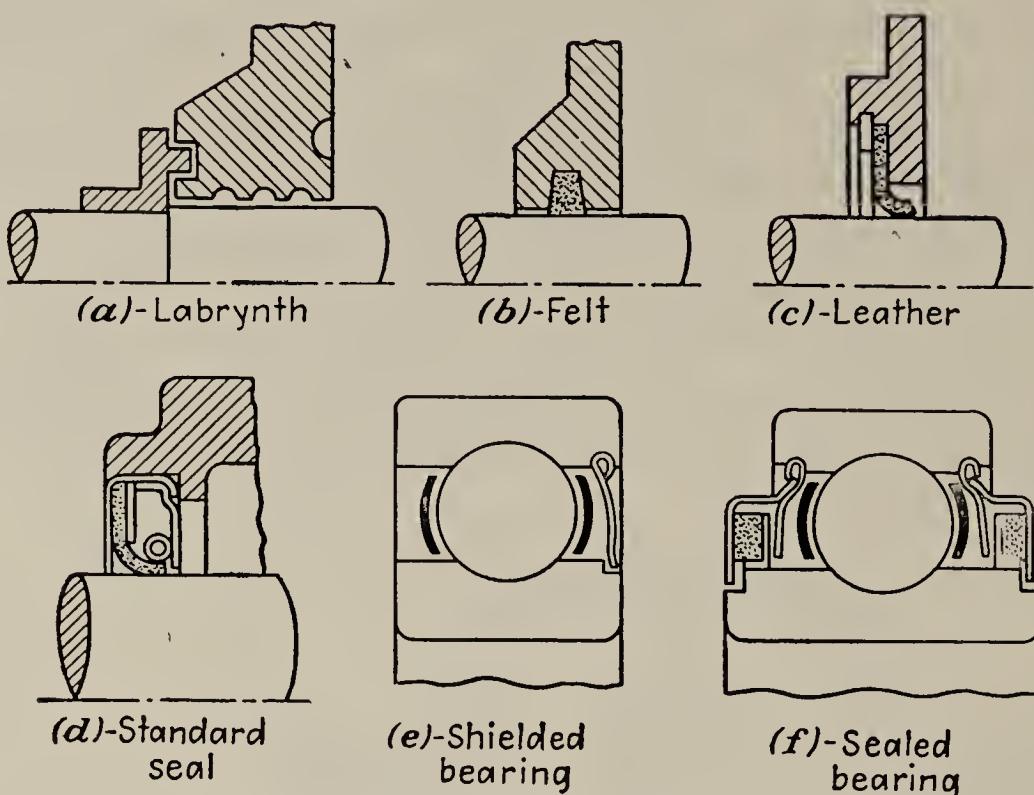


FIG. 22-21. Shaft seals and bearing shields.

**EXAMPLE 22-1.** Select a single-row, radial-load ball bearing (Type 3000) for a radial load of 800 lb, a thrust load of 1,000 lb, operating at a speed of 1,600 rpm for an average life of 5 years at 10 hr per day. Assume steady load with no shock.

**SOLUTION:** Try a light-series (200 series) bearing:

$$R = 800 \text{ lb}$$

$$T = 1,000 \text{ lb}$$

$$\frac{T}{R} = \frac{1,000}{800} = 1.25$$

$$F = 2.02 \quad (\text{Table 22-2})$$

$$L = 1.5 \text{ for } 18,250 \text{ hr} \quad (\text{Fig. 22-8})$$

$$S = 1 \quad (\text{Table 22-3})$$

$$C = RFLS = 800 \times 2.02 \times 1.5 \times 1 = 2,425 \text{ lb}$$

An inspection of Table 22-1 for approximately 1,600 rpm shows that a No. 3213 bearing should be satisfactory. This bearing has a rating at 2,990 lb at 1,000 rpm. By using Table 22-4, the speed factor  $F_s$  for 1,600 rpm is 0.8891; hence the load rating of the No. 3213 bearing at 1,600 rpm is  $2,990 \times 0.8891 = 2,658$  lb. (A check on the next smaller bearing, No. 3212, shows that its load rating at 1,600 rpm is 2,270 lb, which is under the required rating.) Hence, the No. 3212 bearing would be a good choice.

The bore of bearing No. 3213 (from Table 22-5) is 2.5591 in., which should be checked against the shaft size at the bearing location.

<sup>1</sup> Nordenholt, Kerr, and Sasso, "Handbook of Mechanical Design," McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1942.

## CHAPTER 23

### METAL FITS AND TOLERANCES

**23-1 Dimensional control.** Two important facts in the control of dimensions of parts that come in contact or near contact are that (a) the more exact the dimensions of the parts, the more satisfactory will be the characteristics of the machine, and (b) the more exact the dimensions of the parts, the higher will be the production cost of the machine.

The exactness of dimensions may be fixed by such requirements as space, leakage, lubrication, assembly or interchangeability, limits to impact loads, expansion or contraction, deflection, and pressure required in press or shrink fits.

In addition to establishing correct dimensions for the parts of a machine being designed, it is necessary for the mechanical-design engineer to select tolerances for the dimensions of the various parts.<sup>1</sup> It has been aptly said that tolerances make or break a machine. Too large tolerances may affect performance and life adversely. Too close tolerances may mean excessive cost (see Fig. 23-1).

Imagine the difficulty in assembling the parts of an automobile engine if each part was made in a separate department which used for measurement the sixteenth-century rod, which was defined as "the total length of the left feet of the first sixteen men who came out of church on Sunday morning." Imagine the performance of such an engine if it were assembled. Tolerances today in critical engine elements are less than 0.0001 in. Some idea of the relative sizes involved is indicated in the comparison that one ten-thousandth of an inch is to an inch as the diameter of a human hair is to the diameter of an oil drum.

**23-2 Metal fits.** If the diameter of a member is specified as  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. by the designer, there may be some uncertainty as to the meaning of the size. The degree to which the diameter of the member should conform to exactly  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. depends on the use of the member. If it is to be a rod for holding up a shelf, then, obviously, a high degree of accuracy is not required. If, however, the member is a journal that must run smoothly

<sup>1</sup> R. W. Bolz, Design Considerations for Manufacturing Economy, *Trans. ASME Paper 49-A-53*, 1949.

in a bearing, then it is necessary to hold the dimension within close limits.

The *basic dimension* is the nominal value of a dimension from which variations are permitted. *Tolerance* is the maximum permissible amount of variation in the size of the part. For instance, the size may be designated as  $1.500 \pm 0.010$ , which indicates a tolerance of 0.020 in. The tolerance may be *bilateral*, in which case variation is permitted so that the part may be either larger or smaller, as in the previous example, or it may be *unilateral*, in which case the part may be either larger or smaller

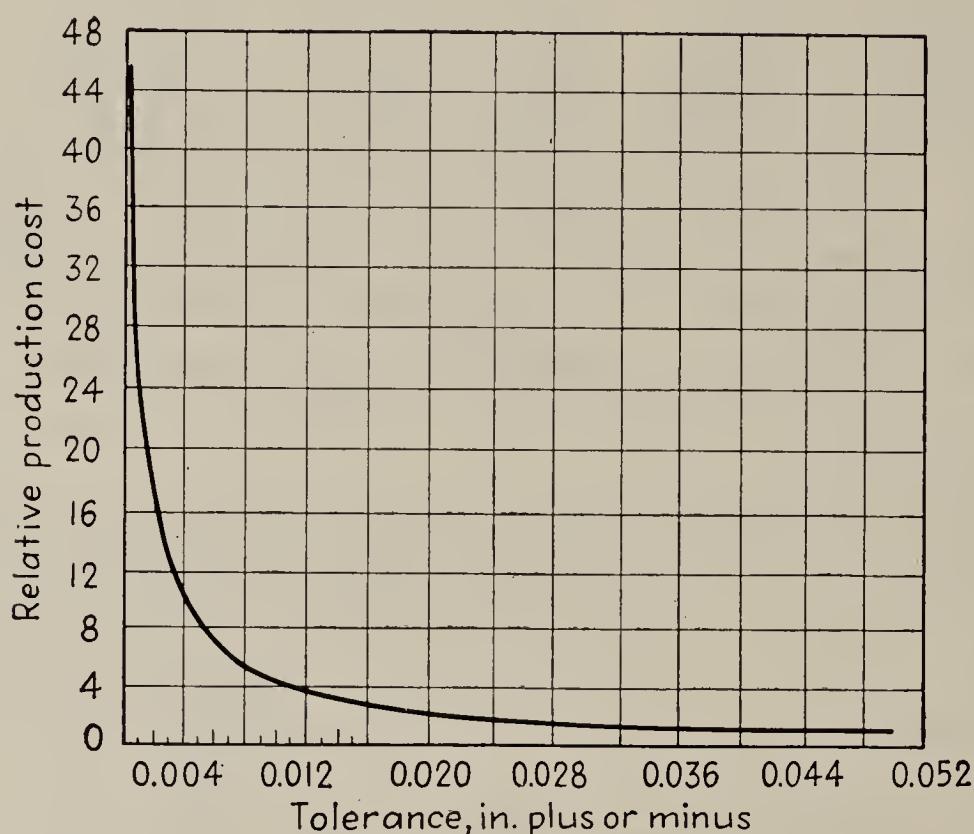


FIG. 23-1. Relative cost of accuracy. (From R. W. Bolz, *Design Considerations for Manufacturing Economy*, Trans. ASME Paper 49-A-53, 1949.)

than the basic dimension, but not both. An example of unilateral tolerance is  $1.500 \begin{matrix} +0.000 \\ -0.010 \end{matrix}$ . Unilateral tolerances are usually used when a metal fit is to be obtained.<sup>1</sup>

In order to indicate the snugness or looseness of a fit, it is necessary to determine the clearance between the parts. *Clearance* is the difference in size between mating parts. It is apparent that because of the tolerance of the parts, the clearance can vary from a maximum to a minimum. The minimum clearance is called the *allowance*. The various dimensions are indicated in Fig. 23-2.

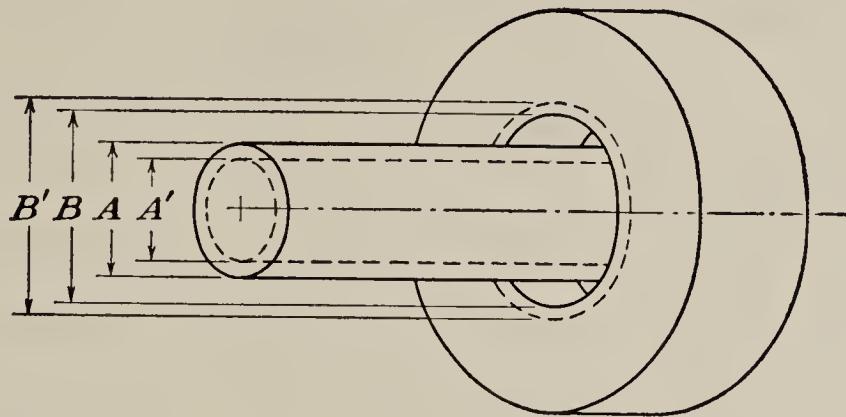
<sup>1</sup> E. Buckingham, "Production Engineering," John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1942.

It is convenient to refer to various kinds of fits. The ASA<sup>1</sup> has approved the following classification:

Loose fit (class 1). Large allowance. Intended for use where accuracy is not essential, such as in some agricultural machinery and road-building equipment.

Free fit (class 2). Liberal allowance. Suitable for use on rotating journals where the speeds are 600 rpm or greater.

Medium fit (class 3). Medium allowance. For use with running fits under 600 rpm and for sliding fits.



- Size for basic dimension
- - - Size with tolerance
- A** = Basic diameter of shaft
- B** = Basic diameter of hole
- B-A** = Allowance
- B'-A'** = Maximum clearance
- A-A'** = Tolerance on shaft
- B-B'** = Tolerance on hole

FIG. 23-2. Shaft and hole dimensions.

Snug fit (class 4). Zero allowance. Closest fit that can be assembled by hand to be used where very small play is permissible.

Wringing fit (class 5). Perceptible negative allowance. Selective assembly with small pressure required for assembly.

Tight fit (class 6). Slight negative allowance. Small pressure required for assembly, where the assembly is usually considered semi-permanent. Suitable for drive fits or shrink fits on light sections.

Medium force fit (class 7). Negative allowance. Pressure is required for assembly, where the assembly is considered permanent. Used for shrink fits on medium sections or long shafts and is the tightest fit that it is safe to use with cast-iron external members. Suitable for use in fastening locomotive wheels, car wheels, and motor armatures.

<sup>1</sup> ASME Engineering and Industrial Standards, ASME B4a, 1925; International Federation of the National Standardizing Associations, ISA Bull. 25, 1941; John Gaillard, ASA Tolerances for Cylindrical Fits, 1941; *Ordnance Manual on Dimensioning and Tolerancing*, Office of Chief of Ordnance, 1945; Kent's "Mechanical Engineers' Handbook, Design and Production," 12th ed., sec. 24, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1952.

Heavy force fit (class 8). Considerable negative allowance. Used as force or shrink fits for steel external members where considerable bond is required as on locomotive wheel tires.

The recommended allowances and tolerances for the various classes of fits are given in Table 23-1.

TABLE 23-1. ALLOWANCES AND TOLERANCES  
( $d$  = Nominal Diameter of Hole)

Class of fit	Method of assembly	Allowance	Selected average interference of metal	Hole tolerance	Shaft tolerance
1. Loose	Strictly interchangeable	$0.0025d^{\frac{2}{3}}$	.....	$+ 0.0025d^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$- 0.0025d^{\frac{1}{3}}$
2. Free	Strictly interchangeable	$0.0014d^{\frac{2}{3}}$	.....	$+ 0.0013d^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$- 0.0013d^{\frac{1}{3}}$
3. Medium	Strictly interchangeable	$0.0009d^{\frac{2}{3}}$	.....	$+ 0.0008d^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$- 0.0008d^{\frac{1}{3}}$
4. Snug	Strictly interchangeable	0.0000	.....	$+ 0.0006d^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$- 0.0004d^{\frac{1}{3}}$
5. Wringing	Selective assembly	.....	0.0000	$+ 0.0006d^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$+ 0.0004d^{\frac{1}{3}}$
6. Tight	Selective assembly	.....	0.00025d	$+ 0.0006d^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$+ 0.0006d^{\frac{1}{3}}$
7. Medium force	Selective assembly	.....	0.0005d	$+ 0.0006d^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$+ 0.0006d^{\frac{1}{3}}$
8. Heavy force or shrink	Selective assembly	.....	0.001d	$+ 0.0006d^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$+ 0.0006d^{\frac{1}{3}}$

EXAMPLE 23-1. Determine the allowance, tolerance, and size of a  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. shaft and hole for a free fit.

Assuming that the basic diameter of the hole is 1.500 in., the allowance, from Table 23-1, is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Allowance} &= 0.0014d^{\frac{2}{3}} = 0.0014 \times (1.5)^{\frac{2}{3}} \\ &= 0.00184 \quad \text{say } 0.002 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

The tolerance for hole and shaft is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tolerance} &= 0.0013d^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0.0013 \times (1.5)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= 0.00149 \quad \text{say } 0.001 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximum diameter of shaft} &= \text{nominal size} - \text{allowance} \\ &= 1.500 - 0.002 = 1.498 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

Using unilateral tolerance, the shaft diameter is specified as  $1.498^{+0.000}_{-0.001}$ , or between 1.498 and 1.497 in. The diameter of the hole is  $1.500^{+0.001}_{-0.000}$ , or between 1.500 and 1.501 in. The maximum clearance is therefore 1.501 minus 1.497, or 0.004 in., whereas the minimum clearance is 0.002 in.

*Selective assembly.*<sup>1</sup> When the difference between allowance and maximum clearance must be small, the tolerances on assembled parts as a shaft in a hole may become very small with corresponding high cost of production. Saving may be realized by using larger tolerances and assembling the parts selectively by hand or otherwise. This method has the disadvantage, however, of high cost of sorting and loss of complete interchangeability.

**23-3 Force fits and shrink fits.** Tight fits, medium force fits, and heavy force, or shrink, fits all have negative allowances. In these cases the diameter of the hole is less than the diameter of the shaft. Thus there is *interference* of the metal so that assembly must be accomplished by forcing one part over the other, or by shrinking the external member on the internal member. These fits are usually used to prevent slipping of the two members relative to each other. For large interference, the stresses induced in the members may be very high; in some cases the stresses may be sufficiently high to cause failure of the external member.

The maximum stresses induced in a thick cylinder by an internal pressure are given by the Lamé equations, Eqs. (11-3) and (11-4). In a force-fit assembly, the pressure between the parts depends on the amount of interference. The maximum tangential stress and radial stress at the inside surface of the external member are

$$s_t \text{ (max)} = p \frac{[1 + (d_i^2/d_o^2)]}{[1 - (d_i^2/d_o^2)]} \quad (23-1)$$

$$s_r = -p \quad (23-2)$$

where  $d_i$  = nominal internal diameter of hub, in.

$d_o$  = external diameter of hub, in.

$p$  = contact pressure, psi

The contact pressure between the external member and a solid shaft of the same material is shown to be<sup>2</sup>

$$p = \frac{E\delta}{2d_i} \left( 1 - \frac{d_i^2}{d_o^2} \right) \quad (23-3)$$

where  $\delta$  = interference, in.

$E$  = modulus of elasticity, psi

By substituting the value of  $p$  given by Eq. (23-3) into Eqs. (23-1) and (23-2), the principal stresses  $s_t$  and  $s_r$  become equal to

<sup>1</sup> See M. F. Spotts, "Design of Machine Elements," 2d ed., p. 42b, Prentice-Hall, Inc., New York, 1953.

<sup>2</sup> S. Timoshenko, "Strength of Materials," pt. II, D. Van Nostrand Company, Inc., New York, 1941; J. H. Faupel, Designing for Shrink Fits, *Machine Design*, January, 1954.

$$s_t = \frac{E\delta}{2d_i} \left( 1 + \frac{d_i^2}{d_o^2} \right) \quad (23-4)$$

$$s_r = - \frac{E\delta}{2d_i} \left( 1 - \frac{d_i^2}{d_o^2} \right) \quad (23-5)$$

The maximum shear stress is obtained by combining the foregoing principal stresses

$$s_s (\text{max}) = \frac{E\delta}{2d_i} \quad (23-6)$$

The allowable stress depends on the material used. As before, for brittle material, the maximum stress should not exceed the ultimate tensile strength of the material. Equating the allowable stress for brittle material to the maximum induced tensile stress in the hub, Eq. (23-4), gives

$$\frac{s_u}{\text{f.s.}} = \frac{E\delta}{2d_i} \left( 1 + \frac{d_i^2}{d_o^2} \right) \quad (23-7)$$

where f.s. = factor of safety

$s_u$  = ultimate tensile strength of material, psi

The limiting value of the interference for any fit can therefore be determined.

The allowable shear stress for ductile material based on the maximum-shear theory of failure is given by Eq. (5-1). By equating this stress to the maximum shear stress given in Eq. (23-6), the conditions for yielding of a ductile hub are indicated:

$$\frac{s_y}{\text{f.s.}} = \frac{E\delta}{d_i} \quad (23-8)$$

where  $s_y$  = yield point, psi.

**EXAMPLE 23-2.** Determine the maximum allowable interference between a steel shaft and hub if yielding is to be prevented. Assume steel with a yield point of 30,000 psi. Using Eq. (23-8) with a factor of safety of 1, since the yield conditions are to be found, then

$$\delta = \frac{s_y d_i}{E} = \frac{30,000 d_i}{30,000,000} = 0.001 d_i$$

It should be noted that this interference is the selected average interference for a heavy force or shrink fit (class 8), as indicated in Table 23-1. If this class of fit is used with a ductile material with a yield point less than 30,000 psi, yielding will occur. Class 8 fit is usually not recommended for brittle material because of the severe stress conditions.

**23-4 Force fits—steel shaft with cast-iron hub.** The use of unlike materials with different moduli of rigidity will yield a different pressure

relation than indicated by the previous article. A safe equation for the contact pressure can be obtained if the ratio of the moduli of elasticity of steel and cast iron is assumed to be 3. A reduction of the Timoshenko<sup>1</sup> equation for a fit of two materials on this assumption gives

$$p = \frac{E_c \delta [1 - (d_i^2/d_o^2)]}{d_i [1.53 + 0.47(d_i^2/d_o^2)]} . \quad (23-9)$$

where  $E_c$  is the modulus of elasticity of cast iron. The maximum stress is found by substituting this value for  $p$  in Eq. (23-1). Equating the results to the allowable stress for brittle material gives

$$\frac{s_u}{f.s.} = \frac{E_c \delta [1 + (d_i^2/d_o^2)]}{d_i [1.53 + 0.47(d_i^2/d_o^2)]} \quad (23-10)$$

**EXAMPLE 23-3.** Determine the maximum average interference between a steel shaft and a cast-iron hub if the outer hub diameter is twice the inner diameter. Assume a grade of cast iron with an ultimate tensile strength of 30,000 psi and a modulus of elasticity of 14,000,000 psi.

From Eq. (23-10), using the factor of safety as unity,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta &= \frac{s_u d_i [1.53 + 0.47(d_i^2/d_o^2)]}{E_c [1 + (d_i^2/d_o^2)]} \\ &= \frac{30,000 \times d_i [1.53 + 0.47 \times (0.5)^2]}{14,000,000 \times [1 + (0.5)^2]} \\ &= 0.000283 d_i \end{aligned}$$

This interference is less than the selected average for a medium force fit (class 7).

**23-5 Holding ability of force and shrink fits.** The torque that can be transmitted by a shrink or force fit without slipping between the hub and shaft can be estimated. Assuming that the contact pressure  $p$  is uniformly distributed, the total radial force between the surfaces of length  $L$  in contact is  $p\pi d_i L$ . The tangential force due to friction is the coefficient of friction times the radial force. The torque is the tangential force times the radius, or

$$T = \frac{fp\pi d_i^2 L}{2}$$

where  $T$  = torque transmitted, lb-in.

$p$  = contact pressure, psi

$d_i$  = diameter of shaft, in.

$L$  = length of hub, in.

$f$  = coefficient of friction, usually from 0.1 to 0.05

**23-6 Assembly of shrink fits.** Whenever fits are used with large interference or large shaft sizes, the force required to press the hub on the

<sup>1</sup> Timoshenko, *op. cit.*

shaft is too large for practical assembly. To obviate this difficulty, assembly is frequently accomplished by shrinking the hub on the shaft. The hub is heated until it can be slipped on the shaft, whereupon it shrinks as it cools until a fit is obtained according to the interference specified on the cold parts. The inside diameter of the hub must be expanded by an amount at least as much as the interference before it is slipped on the shaft. Since a uniform heating of the hub increases all its dimensions, the increase in inside diameter for a temperature change  $\Delta T$  is equal to  $\alpha d_i \Delta T$ , where  $\alpha$  is the coefficient of thermal expansion. Therefore the minimum change in temperature for assembly is

$$\Delta T = \frac{\delta}{\alpha d_i} \quad (23-11)$$

where  $\delta$  = diametral interference, in.

$\alpha$  = coefficient of expansion, in. per in. per deg F

$\Delta T$  = change in temperature, deg F

In assembly, the inside part may be cooled either as an adjunct to or a substitute for heating of the external part. "Dry ice" (solid carbon dioxide) is widely used for this purpose, and temperature differences of 100 F are easily obtainable by cooling alone.

## CHAPTER 24

# VIBRATION AND VIBRATION CONTROL

**24-1 Introduction.** The cause of vibration in machinery is the disturbing forces of reciprocating masses, unbalanced rotating masses, and variable fluid pressure. Frequently the disturbing forces can be removed or balanced; if not, their harmful effects can be reduced by proper design of the parts and their mountings.

The simplest vibrating system has one degree of freedom, *i.e.*, the system's position can be specified by one number. This is illustrated by a weight suspended by a spring so that it can move only vertically; the weight can be located at any instant by its distance (one number) from a reference point. If the weight could rotate about a vertical axis at the same time that it moves up and down, it would require an additional number to specify its angular position at any instant, and would represent two degrees of freedom. In general, if it requires  $n$  numbers to specify the position of a vibrating system, the system has  $n$  degrees of freedom.

The single-degree-of-freedom system will be considered here. Many mechanical systems are or can be reduced to this system, and the principles for the simple system can be extended to apply to more complicated ones.<sup>1</sup>

In our discussion, two frequencies are involved; one is the frequency of the disturbing force. This frequency is equal to or related to the operating speed of the machine, which is generally specified and which cannot be altered by the designer.

Another frequency, independent of the operating speed, is the natural frequency of vibration of the system. This frequency depends on the mass of the system and the stiffness of its support.

When the frequency of the disturbing force on a system coincides with its natural frequency, resonance occurs, and the system may vibrate with large amplitudes and develop forces larger than the disturbing forces. These forces may cause annoyance to personnel and failure of parts.

Vibration control consists of removing or balancing the disturbing forces, as mentioned, or of changing the natural frequency of vibration so

<sup>1</sup> J. P. Den Hartog, "Mechanical Vibrations," 3d ed., McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1947.

that it is sufficiently remote from the operating frequency to avoid unsatisfactory operating conditions.

**24-2 Equation of motion for a system having a single degree of freedom.** Consider a spring-supported weight arranged so that the weight

can move only in the vertical direction, as shown in Fig. 24-1. The disturbing force is assumed to be  $P_0 \sin \omega t$ , which is impressed vertically at a time  $t$  by an eccentric mass rotating<sup>1</sup> with an angular velocity  $\omega$ . The spring constant  $k$  is equal to the force required to extend the spring a unit distance. The motion of the weight is restrained by *damping*, which is assumed to vary directly with the

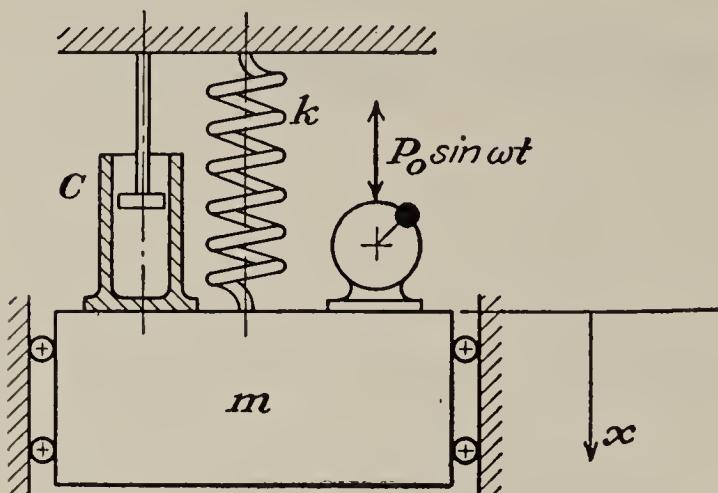


FIG. 24-1. Weight supported by spring.

velocity of the weight so that the damping force is the damping constant  $c$  multiplied by the velocity of the weight. This is known as "viscous" damping.

Let  $m$  = mass of the weight

$x$  = displacement of weight measured from its position of rest, positive downward

$\frac{dx}{dt}$  = velocity and represented by  $\dot{x}$

$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$  = acceleration and represented by  $\ddot{x}$

The forces on the weight are

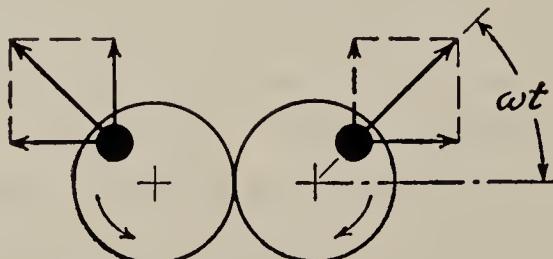
$$\text{Spring force} = -kx$$

$$\text{Damping force} = -c\dot{x}$$

$$\text{Impressed force} = P_0 \sin \omega t$$

If the weight is displaced downward, the force on the weight equals

<sup>1</sup> A convenient way of producing such a force is to rotate two eccentric masses at the same speed but in opposite directions, as shown in the sketch. The masses may be



mounted on mating gears. The vertical components of the centrifugal forces equal  $P_0 \sin \omega t$ . The horizontal components are balanced. This system is used in an experimental vibrator.

$-kx - cx + P_0 \sin \omega t$ . This force must equal the accelerating force. Therefore

$$m\ddot{x} = -kx - cx + P_0 \sin \omega t$$

or

$$m\ddot{x} + cx + kx = P_0 \sin \omega t \quad (24-1)$$

The above equation is the differential equation of motion for a system having a single degree of freedom.

**24-3 Free vibration without damping.** For this case, Eq. (24-1) becomes

$$m\ddot{x} + kx = 0$$

or

$$\ddot{x} = -\frac{k}{m}x \quad (24-2)$$

The general solution of this equation is

$$x = C_1 \sin t \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} + C_2 \cos t \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (24-3)$$

To evaluate the constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , let

$$x = x_0 \quad \text{when } t = 0 \quad (a)$$

and

$$\dot{x} = 0 \quad \text{when } t = 0 \quad (b)$$

By substituting condition (a) in Eq. (24-3),

$$x_0 = C_1 \times 0 + C_2 \times 1$$

or

$$C_2 = x_0$$

Differentiating the general solution, Eq. (24-3)

$$\dot{x} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} C_1 \cos t \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} - \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} C_2 \sin t \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

By substituting condition (b) in the last equation,

$$0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} C_1 \times 1 - \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} C_2 \times 0$$

or

$$C_1 = 0$$

Therefore Eq. (24-3) becomes

$$x = x_0 \cos t \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (24-4)$$

and is the equation of motion for a system having a single degree of freedom vibrating freely without damping. Figure 24-2 is a graphical representation of the motion.

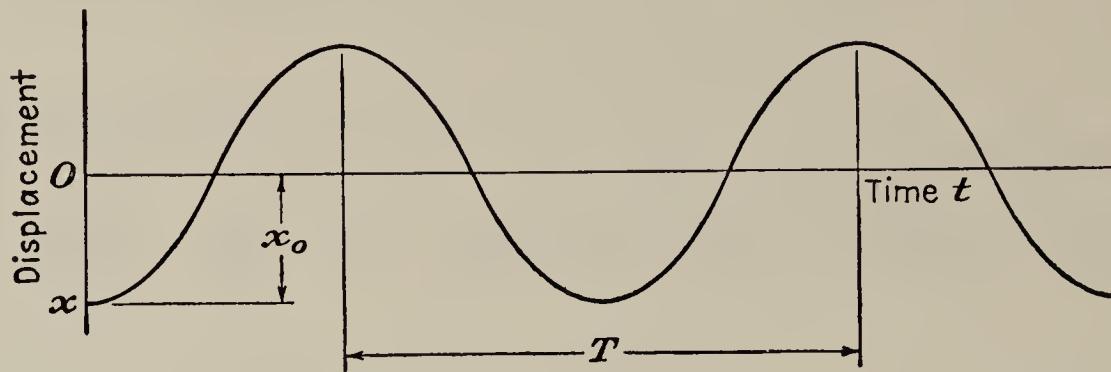


FIG. 24-2. Free undamped vibration.

In Eq. (24-4), one cycle of vibration occurs as  $t \sqrt{k/m}$  goes through  $2\pi$  radians. If  $T$  represents the period of one cycle,

$$T \times \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = 2\pi$$

or

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

The natural frequency of the system is

$$f_n = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad \text{in cycles per sec} \quad (24-5a)$$

or

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad \text{in radians per sec} \quad (24-5b)$$

#### 24-4 Free vibration with damping.

For this case, Eq. (24-1) becomes

$$m\ddot{x} + c\dot{x} + kx = 0$$

When this equation is integrated, its solution for small damping, as found in machines, may be plotted as shown in Fig. 24-3. The figure shows how the amplitude of the vibrations is decreased in the presence of damping. The smaller the damping, the flatter will be the enveloping curve  $ABC$  and the longer will be the time required for the vibrations to die down. The natural frequency of vibration for this case is

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m} - \frac{c^2}{4m^2}} \quad (24-5c)$$

Values of  $c$  so large that  $(c^2/4m^2) \geq k/m$  eliminates vibration. Such is the case for a pendulum placed in a very viscous fluid.

**24-5 Forced vibration without damping.** For this case, Eq. (24-1) becomes

$$m\ddot{x} + kx = P_0 \sin \omega t$$

The solution of this equation is

$$x = \frac{P_0/k}{1 - (\omega/\omega_n)^2} \sin \omega t$$

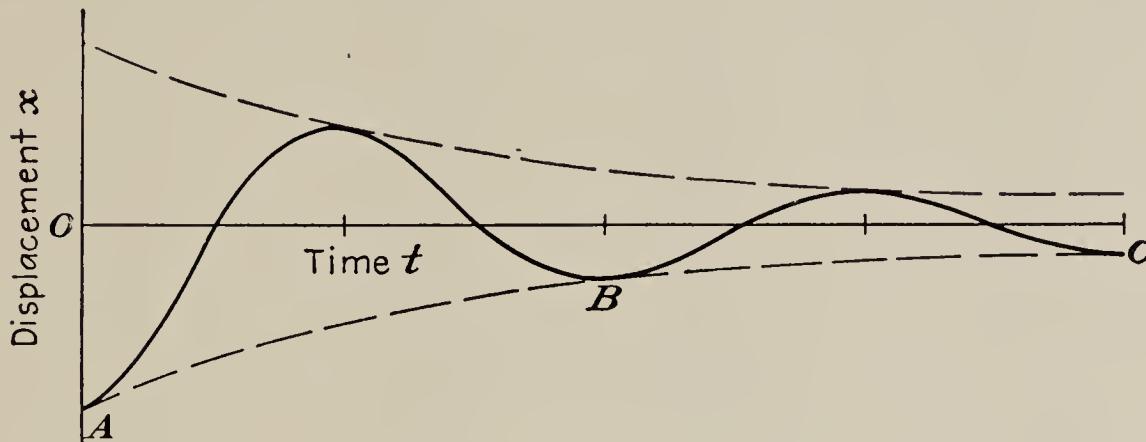


FIG. 24-3. Free vibration with small damping.

The quantity  $P_0/k$  is the deflection of the mass owing to a statically applied force  $P_0$ ; hence,  $x_s = (P_0/k)$ , and the above equation may be written as

$$\frac{x}{x_s} = \frac{1}{1 - (\omega/\omega_n)^2} \sin \omega t \quad (24-6)$$

The maximum value of  $x$  occurs when the value of  $\sin \omega t$  is a maximum, i.e., unity. Hence, letting  $x_0$  represent the maximum value of  $x$ , Eq. (24-6) becomes

$$\frac{x_0}{x_s} = \frac{1}{1 - (\omega/\omega_n)^2} \quad (24-6a)$$

The graphical representation of Eq. (24-6a) is shown in Fig. 24-4 and is useful in interpreting characteristics of vibrating systems. In this figure, the ordinate  $x_0/x_s$  is the ratio of the maximum deflection of the mass from its position of rest to the deflection due to a statically applied force  $P_0$ . The abscissa  $\omega/\omega_n$  is the ratio of the frequency of the applied force  $P_0$  to the natural frequency of the system. Since  $x_s$  and  $\omega_n$  are constants of the system, it may be seen that Fig. 24-4 is a representation of the variation of the maximum deflection  $x_0$  of a vibrating body with the frequency of application  $\omega$  of the applied force. The figure shows that when  $\omega$  is zero, the deflection of the body is equal to the static deflection  $x_s$ , and when  $\omega$  is equal to  $\omega_n$ , the deflection in the absence of damping is infinite. For operating frequencies greater than  $\sqrt{2}\omega_n$ , the deflection

of the body becomes less than  $x_s$ . In using Eq. (24-6a) in the region where  $(\omega/\omega_n) > 1$ , it is necessary to change the sign of the right-hand side of the equation. The physical interpretation of this change is that the deflection and the impressed force are out of phase when  $\omega/\omega_n$  is greater than unity.

**24-6 Forced vibration with damping.** When damping is present in the system in the form of viscous resistance or of friction, the effect of the damping force is to decrease the amplitude of motion of the vibrating

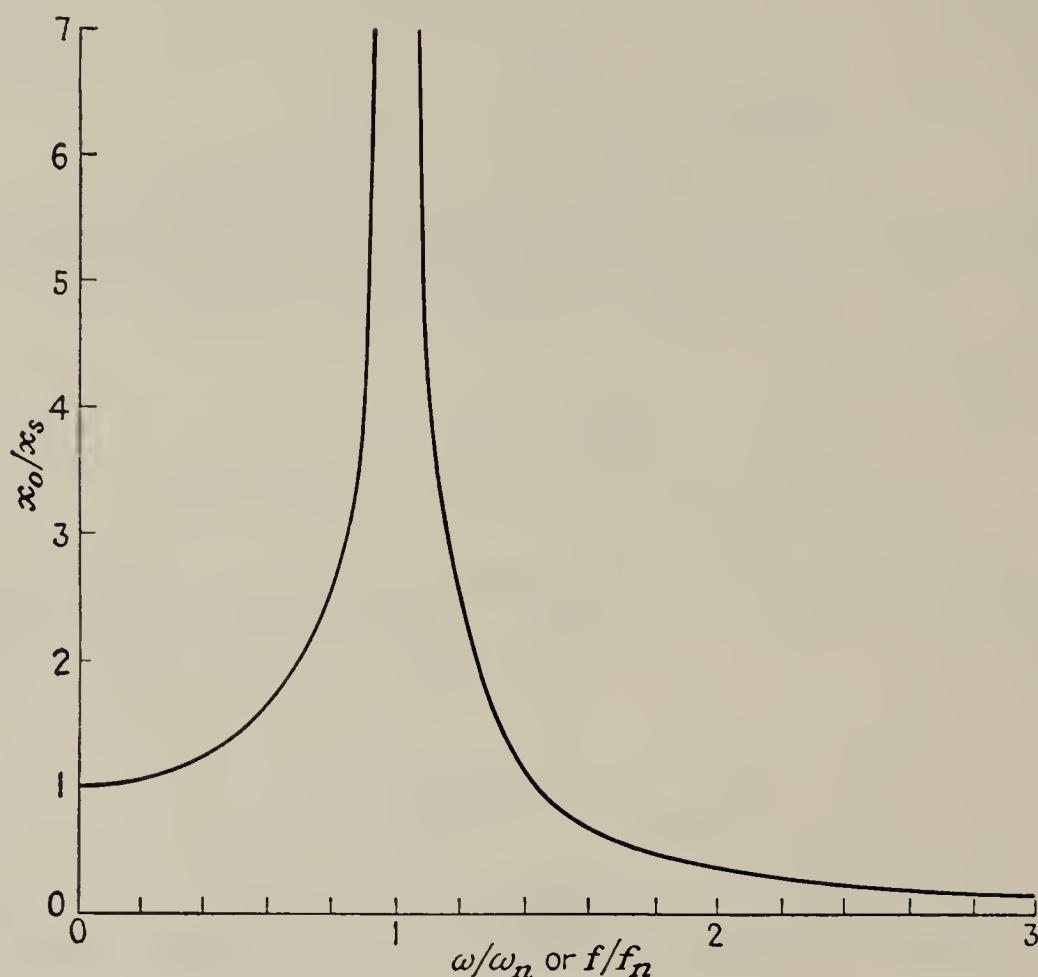


FIG. 24-4. Undamped forced vibration.

mass. In viscous damping, it is assumed that the resistance to motion of the vibrating mass is proportional to the velocity of the mass. Since high velocities accompany large displacements, viscous damping will affect the curve of Fig. 24-4 as shown in Fig. 24-5.

The equation for the maximum deflection with damping is

$$x_0 = \frac{P_0}{\sqrt{(c\omega)^2 + (k - m\omega^2)^2}}$$

In mechanical systems, there is always some inherent damping present; hence the zero-damping curve is never realized. Curves *d* and *e* represent degrees of damping which are higher than those found in most machinery. The damping in most machinery falls in the intermediate stages, as shown by curves *b* and *c*. These curves show the reduction in amplitude to finite values as the critical speed is passed.

**24-7 Lateral and torsional vibrations.** The vibration of a spring-supported weight, as discussed in the preceding article, was used as an illustration of lateral vibration. Other examples are the vibration of the string of a musical instrument, as shown in Fig. 24-6(a), and a beam or shaft vibrating laterally, as shown at (b). Another type of vibration in mechanical systems is torsional vibration, illustrated by the motion of a torsional pendulum, as shown at (c), in which the mass oscillates through an angle as indicated. In machinery, a shaft may rotate uniformly, in

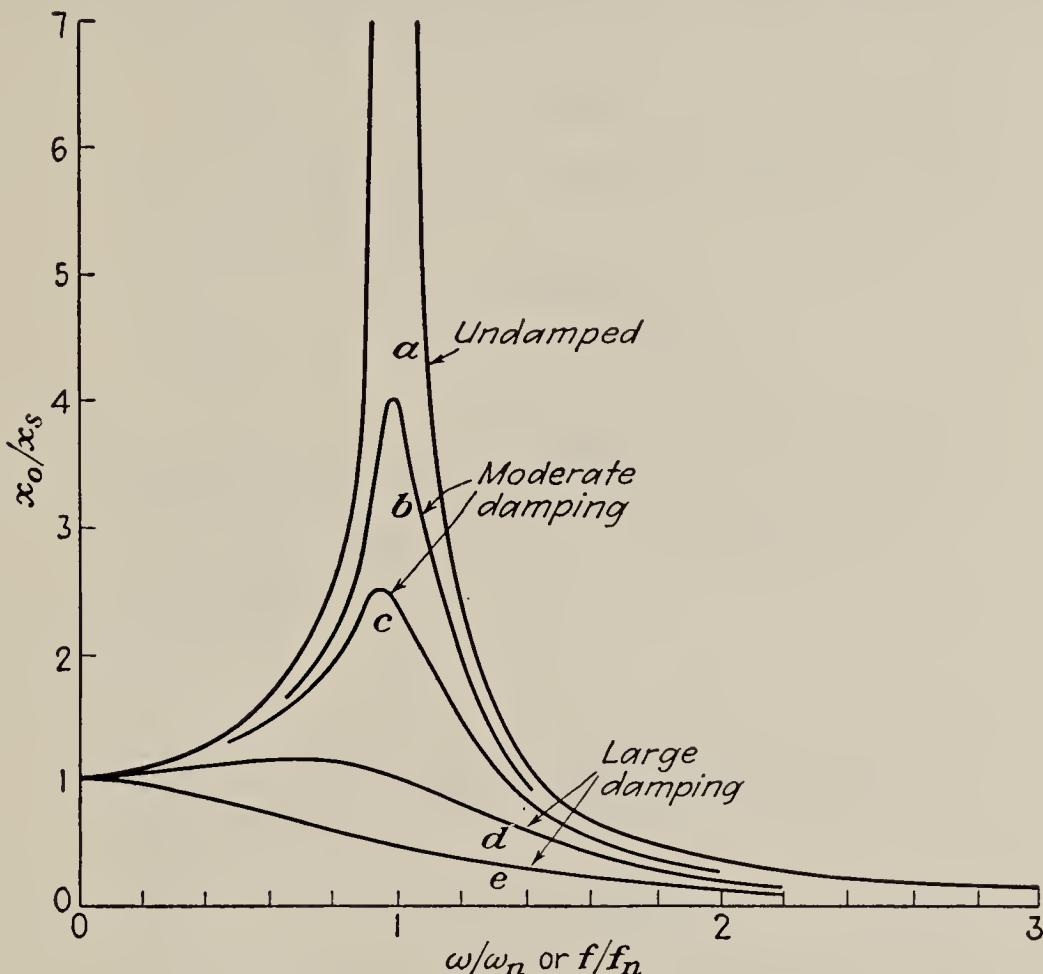


FIG. 24-5. Effect of damping on forced vibration.

which case there is no torsional vibration, or the shaft may have superimposed on its uniform motion one of vibratory character which gives a motion similar to that represented by the curve in Fig. 24-6(d) in which  $\omega$  represents the angular velocity of the shaft. Torsional vibration is quite common and also troublesome in machinery having rotating parts. The frequency of torsional vibration is usually greater than the speed of rotation of the shaft.

The natural frequency in torsional vibration of the system, as shown in Fig. 24-6(c), depends on the weight and radius of gyration of the suspended mass, and on the stiffness of the supporting rod. The natural frequency may be determined from the following equation:

$$\text{Natural frequency, cps} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{GJg}{LW\rho^2}}$$

where  $G$  = torsional modulus of elasticity, psi

$J$  = polar moment of inertia of rod, in.<sup>4</sup>

$g$  = acceleration due to gravity = 386 in. per sec<sup>2</sup>

$L$  = length of supporting rod, in.

$W$  = weight suspended, lb

$\rho$  = radius of gyration of weight, in.

Some common examples of forced vibration in machinery are the lateral vibration of a mass, such as an engine resting on its foundation, or the lateral vibration of a shaft subjected to variable loads, or the torsional

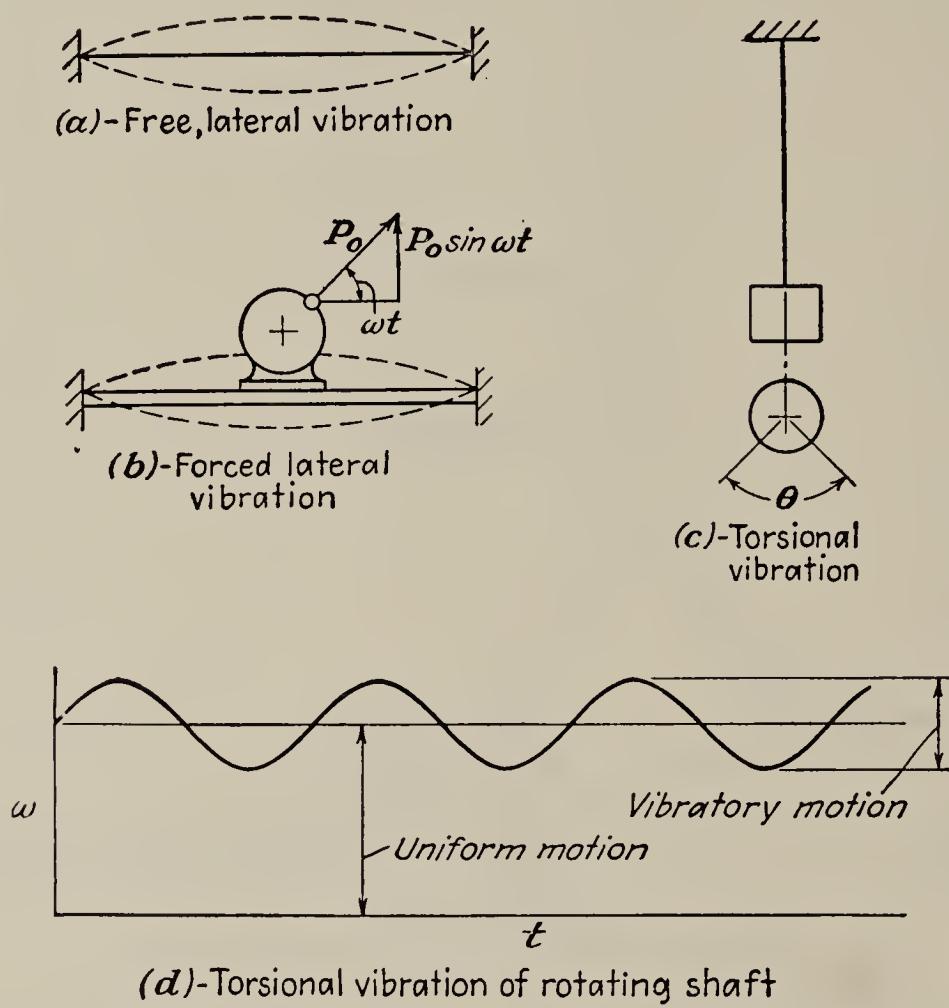


FIG. 24-6. Lateral and torsional vibrations.

vibration of a shaft subjected to variable torque. Figure 24-5 was developed by considering a spring-supported weight under forced and damped vibration. However, the quantitative aspects of the vibration phenomena illustrated by the figure apply to all types of vibration, torsional as well as lateral. These vibrations are common in machinery and may be destructive because of the large forces and stresses involved, and because vibration induces repeated stresses that may lead to fatigue failure. In addition to the effects of vibration on the machine producing them, the vibrations may have annoying and destructive effects on surrounding equipment.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Paul C. Roche, Vibration Isolation in War Machines, *Machine Design*, July, 1943, p. 124.

**24-8 Critical speeds of shafts.** In Eq. (24-5a), the natural frequency of vibration of a weight was given as

$$f_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad \text{cps}$$

By neglecting the weight of a shaft to which, for instance, a flywheel is attached, Eq. (24-5) may be used to determine the natural frequency

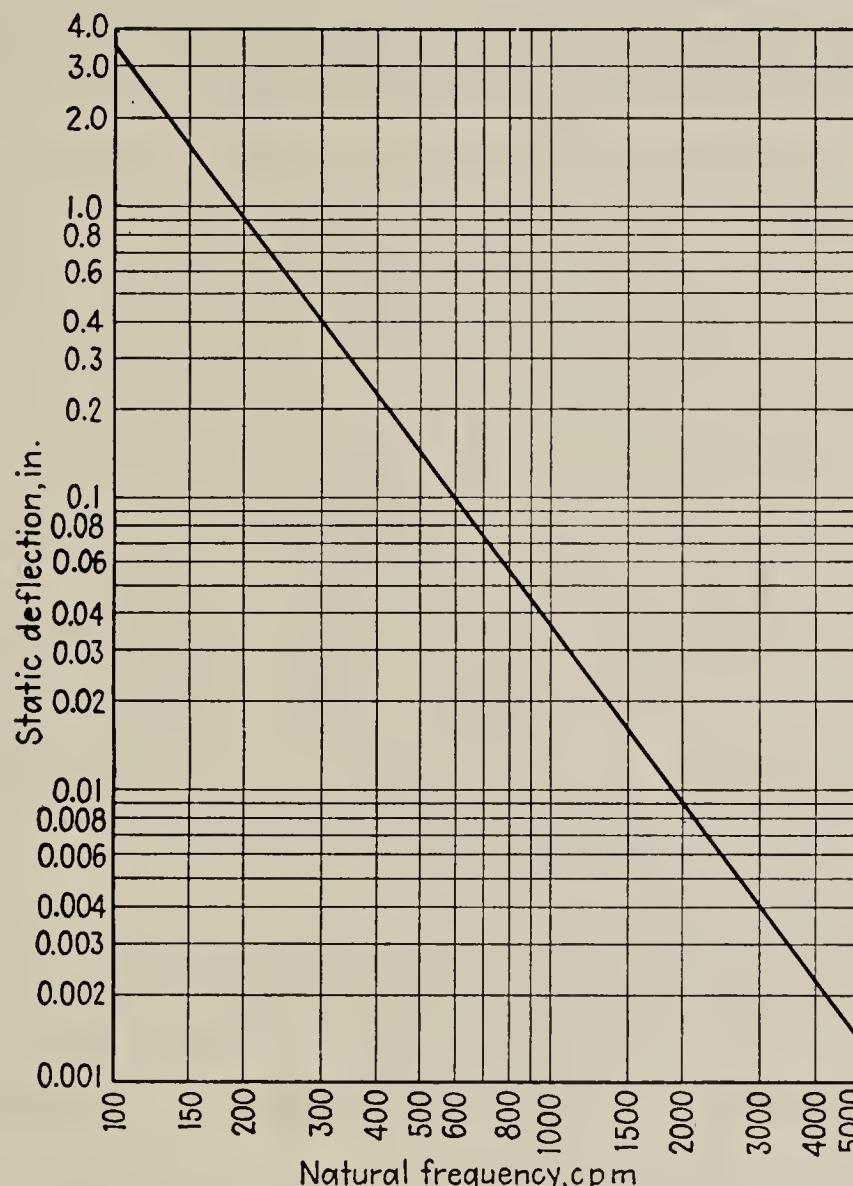


FIG. 24-7. Lowest natural frequency versus static deflection.

of vibration, or critical speed, where  $m$  is the mass of the flywheel and  $k$  is the number of pounds required to deflect the mass 1 in.

By substituting in the above equation the static deflection  $\delta$  in inches of the shaft at the point where the flywheel is located, its equivalent,  $12mg/k$ , the undamped natural frequency becomes

$$f_n = 187.8 \sqrt{\frac{1}{\delta}} \quad \text{cpm} \quad (24-7)$$

It is evident that a stiff shaft will have a small  $\delta$  and that the natural frequency will be high, while a flexible shaft will have a large  $\delta$  and the corresponding natural frequency will be low (see Fig. 24-7).

As shown by Eq. (24-5c), one effect of damping is to lower the natural frequency of vibration. For the degrees of damping in most practical systems, the difference between the damped and the undamped natural frequencies will be small, and thus Eq. (24-7) may be used for a close approximation to the critical speed of a shaft where the mass can be considered concentrated at one point as a heavy flywheel attached to a light shaft.

For a uniformly loaded shaft in transverse vibration, the mass cannot be considered concentrated at one point, so that it is necessary to consider the deflection of each unit mass of the shaft. For a uniformly loaded shaft in transverse vibration, the critical speed is given by the following equation:<sup>1</sup>

$$f_n = 211.4 \sqrt{\frac{1}{\delta}} \quad \text{cpm} \quad (24-8)$$

where  $\delta$  = maximum deflection of the shaft.

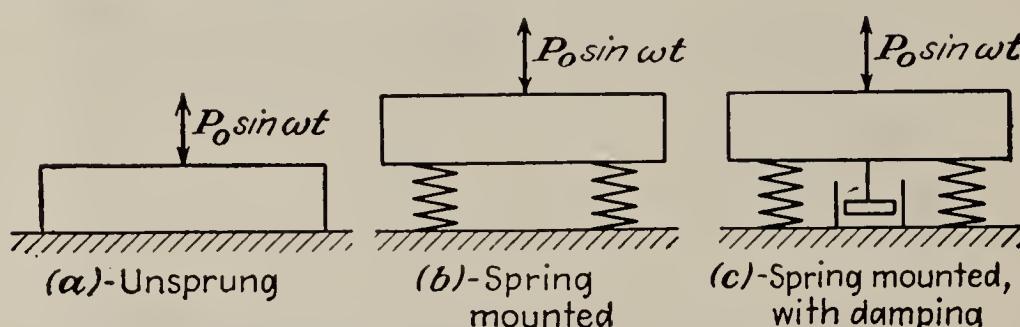


FIG. 24-8. Vibration mountings.

The above equation indicates the lowest, or fundamental, frequency of vibration at which it vibrates, as shown in Fig. 24-8(a). The vibrating shaft may have nodes at the mid-point, the third points, etc., when it vibrates at frequencies 4 and 9, etc., respectively, times the fundamental frequency.

**24-9 Force transmitted to supports.** Since a rigid mounting transmits all the forces impressed on it, an "unsprung" machine subjected to vibration, as represented by Fig. 24-8(a), transmits all the impressed force  $P_0 \sin \omega t$  directly to the foundation. The introduction of springs between the machine base and foundation alters the transmitted force, and the introduction of damping, such as a dashpot, further alters the transmitted force [see Fig. 24-8(b) and (c)].

The ratio of the force transmitted to the foundation and the impressed force is termed "transmissibility."

<sup>1</sup> Thomas Bevin, "Theory of Machines," p. 492, Longmans, Green & Co., Inc., New York, 1939.

$$\text{Transmissibility} = T = \frac{\text{transmitted force}}{\text{impressed force}}$$

$$T = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \left(2 \frac{c}{c_c} \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right)^2}{\left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_n^2}\right)^2 + \left(2 \frac{c}{c_c} \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right)^2}} \quad (24-9)$$

In Fig. 24-9, transmissibility is plotted for various degrees of damping as a function of  $\omega/\omega_n$ . In the figure, it may be noted that for operating

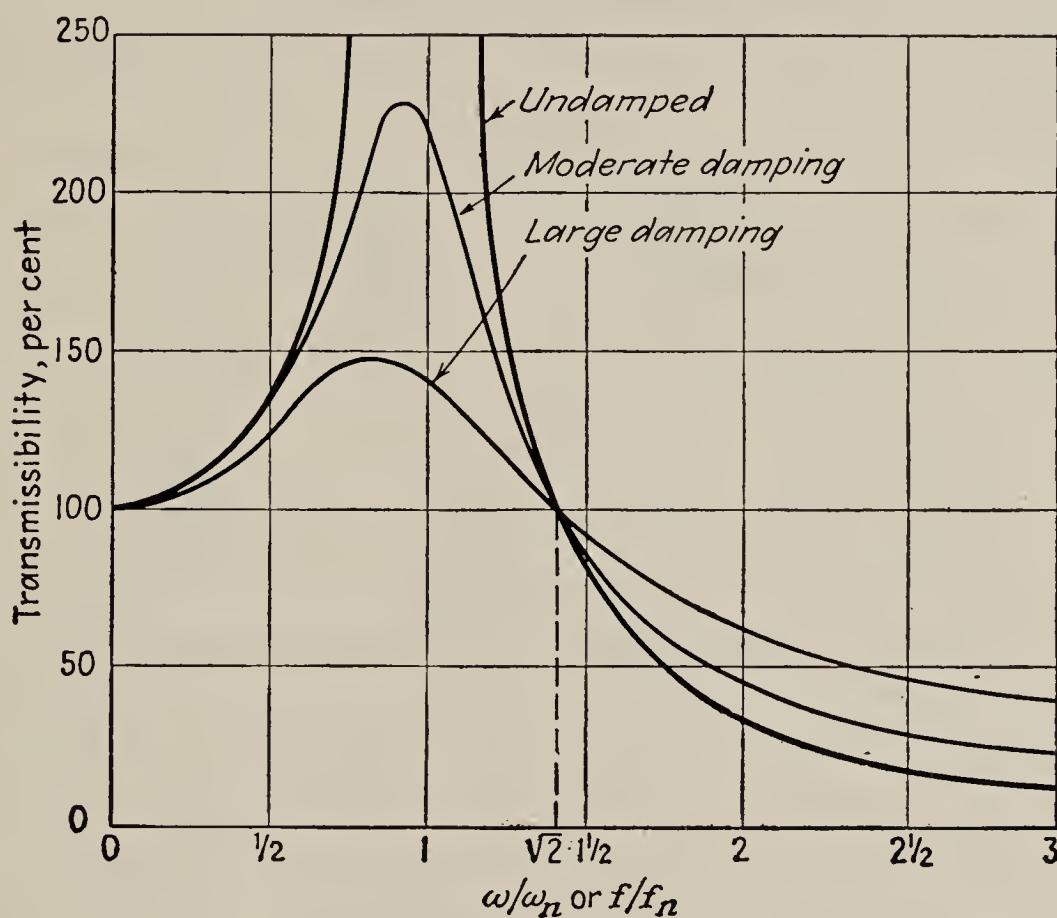


FIG. 24-9. Transmissibility and the effect of damping.

speeds exceeding  $\sqrt{2} \omega_n$ , damping is somewhat detrimental. A comparison of the magnitude of transmissibility for the two ranges cited shows that as a machine passes through the critical speed the beneficial effects of damping are pronounced, while for speeds higher than the critical speed, the detrimental effects of damping are not marked. The foregoing illustrates that a vibration-absorbing mounting should have damping properties. For speeds several times the critical speed, the transmitted force is a small fraction of the impressed force, and the machine may be said to "run smoothly."

The effect of damping on transmissibility is usually small for the region  $(\omega/\omega_n) > \sqrt{2}$ . Equation (24-9) may be reduced to the following form by making the damping coefficient  $c$  zero and changing the sign of

the right-hand side of the equation for the reason given in Art. 24-5. Therefore

$$T = \frac{1}{(\omega/\omega_n)^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{(f/f_n)^2 - 1} \quad (24-10)$$

**24-10 Vibration control.** In order to control, or to eliminate vibration the following means are available:

1. Remove the disturbing force.
2. Introduce an equal and opposite disturbance.
3. Reduce the effect of the disturbance transmitted to the foundation or support by introducing flexibility and damping.

An example of method 1 is balancing rotors by removing material from the heavy part of a rotor. A simple example of method 2 is when a balancing weight is placed on the light side of an unbalanced rotor. There are other examples of this method which amount to introducing in a machine or instrument a balancing system which vibrates automatically in such a manner that the effects of the forced vibration are neutralized.

In machines, method 3 is generally used when vibration must be controlled. It may be noted from Fig. 24-9 that if the normal operating speed  $f$  coincides with the natural frequency of the machine  $f_n$ , the condition of operation is undesirable. However, by introducing a flexible mounting, the natural frequency may be altered, so that any point along the  $\omega/\omega_n$  axis of Fig. 24-9 can be fixed as the normal operating condition.

In torsional vibration, the natural frequency may be increased by making the shaft more rigid by increasing its diameter, or the natural frequency may be decreased by making the shaft less rigid by decreasing its diameter, by increasing its length, or by introducing a flexible coupling.

**EXAMPLE 24-1.** As an illustration of design procedure, consider a single-cylinder vertical engine that operates at 1,200 rpm and weighs 800 lb. If the maximum unbalanced force in the vertical direction,  $P_0$ , equals 30 lb and the engine is mounted directly to the floor, the total force  $P_0$  will be transmitted. If it is desired to reduce the transmitted force to 3 lb (that is,  $T = 0.10$ ), Eq. (24-10) may be used as

$$f_n = \frac{f}{\sqrt{(1 + T)/T}} = \frac{1,200}{\sqrt{(1 + 0.1)/0.1}} = \frac{1,200}{3.32} = 362 \text{ cpm}$$

Hence, the mounting should be selected so that the 800-lb compressor as a mass vibrates with a natural frequency of 362 cpm.

By solving Eq. (24-7) for the static deflection  $\delta$  and substituting values,

$$\delta = \left( \frac{187.7}{f_n} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{187.7}{362} \right)^2 = 0.269 \text{ in.}$$

If the engine is mounted on four springs, the spring rate for each spring becomes

$$\frac{800}{4 \times 0.269} = 745 \text{ lb per in.}$$

The maximum amplitude of vibration, from Eq. (24-6a), is

$$x_0 = \frac{x_s}{(f/f_n)^2 - 1} = \frac{0.269}{(1,200/362)^2 - 1} = 0.116 \text{ in.}$$

The connections for the compressor should allow for this movement.

**24-11 Vibration-absorbing mountings.** In machines subjected to lateral vibrations, such as reciprocating engines, pumps, compressors, etc., it is usually impractical to control vibration by methods 1 and 2 of Art. 24-10. Method 3 is commonly used by employing vibration-absorbing mountings. As previously discussed, the mountings should have flexibility and damping. In addition, the mounting should be so constructed that the machine would not be freed if the resilient part of the mounting

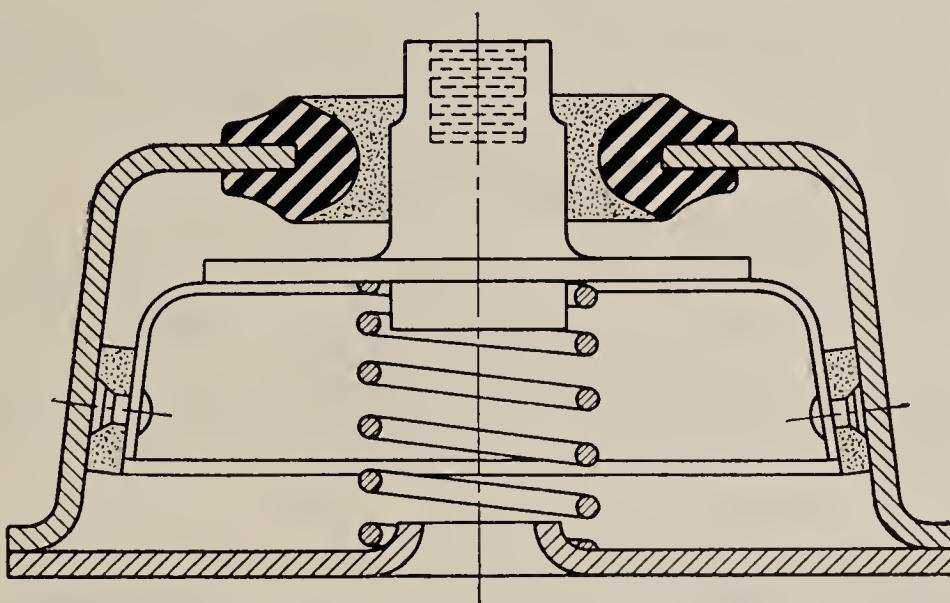


FIG. 24-10. Vibration mounting. (*Courtesy of Vibrashock Division of Robinson Aviation, Inc.*)

should fail. In some mountings, flexibility is secured by mechanical springs, and damping is secured by dashpots or by rubber or cork buffers (see Fig. 24-10).

Other types of mountings employ rubber, cork, or felt for the resilient part. Rubber has a high ratio of deflection to load, especially when it is used in shear (see Fig. 24-11), and has in addition good damping characteristics. The tube form of mounting shown in Fig. 24-12 has the rubber bonded to the steel tube in the center, which is bolted to the supported member, and to the outer sleeve, which is attached to the supporting member. The plate form in Fig. 24-13 is used particularly for light and medium loads.

The three-angle type of rubber mounting, as shown in Fig. 24-14, is suitable for medium and heavy loads.

Many other types of vibration mountings are available in a large variety of forms and sizes and with load capacities that vary from a few ounces for mounting delicate apparatus and instruments, to 32,000 lb or more for power-plant installations.

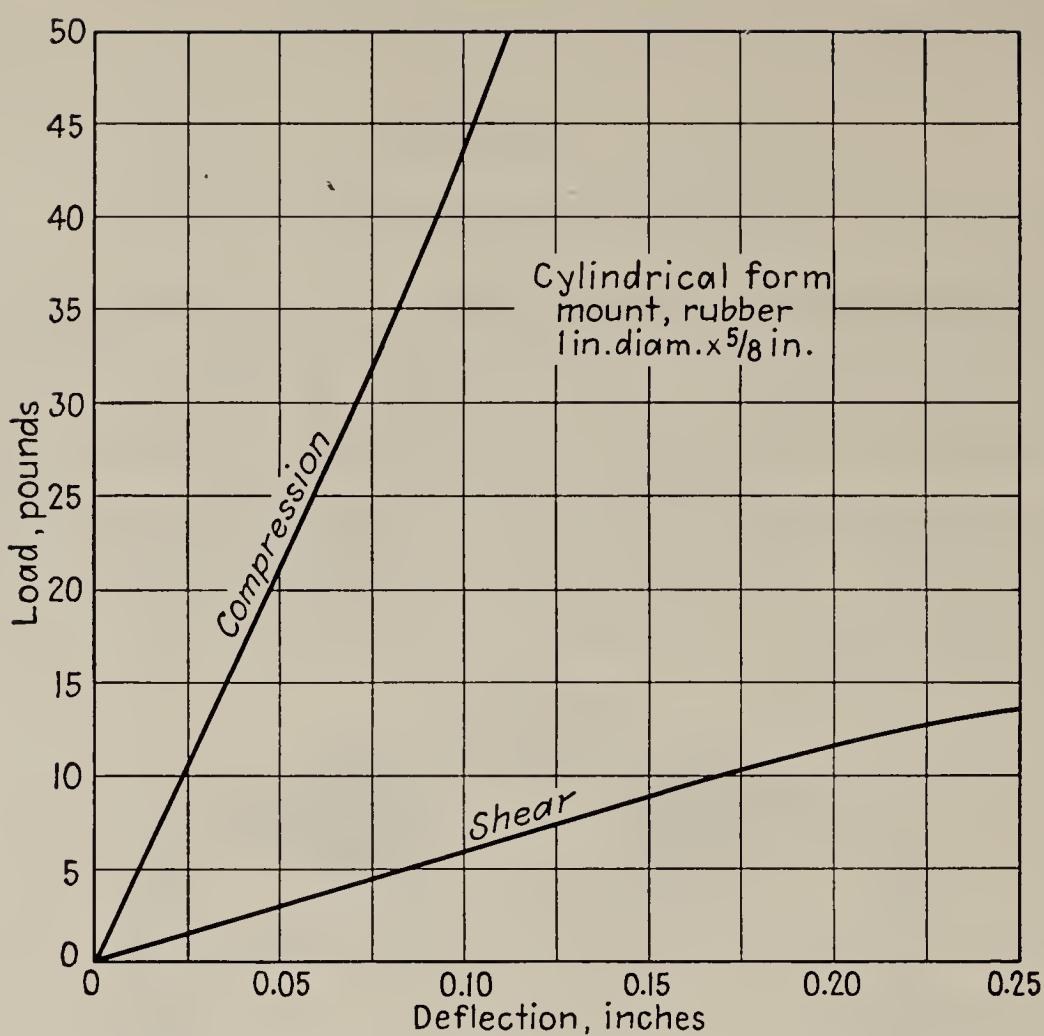


FIG. 24-11. Load-deflection characteristics of cylindrical form of rubber mounting.

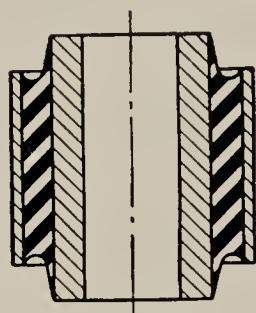


FIG. 24-12. Vibration mounting, tube form.

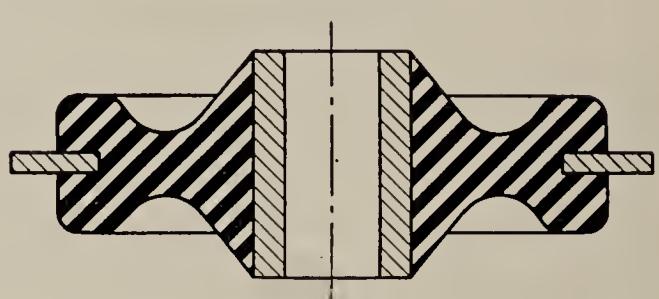


FIG. 24-13. Vibration mounting, plate form.

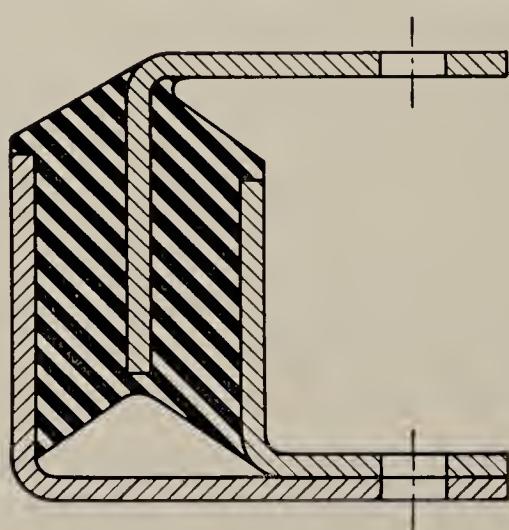


FIG. 24-14. Three-angle type of mounting using rubber in shear.

**24-12 Torsional vibration dampers.** It has already been noted that the critical speed in torsion of a shaft can be lowered by making the shaft more flexible in torsion by reducing its diameter, by increasing its length, or by using a flexible coupling, such as a rubber coupling or a Bibby coupling. By lowering the critical speed, the normal operating point as shown in Fig. 24-9 is moved to the right into the region of low transmissibility, thus reducing the harmful effects of torsional vibration. To supply damping in addition to that of the material of the rotating parts and their supports, a viscous damper or a Coulomb-friction damper may be used.

There are many other types of torsional-vibration dampers, such as the energy-dissipation type, rotating-pendulum type, and fluid type.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> W. K. Wilson, "Practical Solution of Torsional Vibration Problems," vols. I and II, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1942.

## CHAPTER 25

### MOTOR SELECTION

**25-1 Motor rating.** The horsepower rating of an electric motor is designated on the basis of its output at rated speed and voltage, with the manufacturer's guarantee that the maximum temperature rise in the motor will not exceed a specified value. The temperature rise for general-purpose motors is 40 C for dripproof motors, 50 C for splashproof motors, and 55 C for totally enclosed motors. It is assumed that the ambient temperature does not exceed 20 C. These are *continuous* ratings.

*Intermittent* ratings are special ratings for time periods, as for 1 hr,  $\frac{1}{2}$  hr, 15 min, etc. This kind of rating is common for motors having intermittent loads such as crane motors, elevators, and some types of machine tools, so that they may be operated for a short time at relatively high loads followed by a cooling period. The rating and corresponding temperature rise is stamped on the name plate.

**25-2 Motor types and applications.** The selection of the proper type, horsepower, voltage, and speed, as well as the proper controls, is a most important matter and the choice may spell the difference between a long life of satisfactory operation or on the other hand a continuous round of trouble.

Many machine-design problems involve the selection of a motor drive, and the relation between the motor characteristics and the performance of the machine requires careful consideration.<sup>1</sup>

This chapter does not pretend to do more than to bring to the attention of the designer some important factors involved in motor selection, in particular for the squirrel-cage induction motor.

In general, direct-current (d-c) motors are used where special operating characteristics such as good speed control are required, or where direct current is the only kind available as aboard most ships.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The retail value of motor-operated machines produced annually in the United States is of the order of 3 billion dollars for domestic use and of 200 million dollars for industrial applications. See T. J. Woodson, Motors for Integral Mechanisms, *Mech. Eng.*, August, 1950.

<sup>2</sup> A comprehensive table for selection of type of motor is given by F. H. Pumphrey, "Fundamentals of Electrical Engineering," Prentice-Hall, Inc., New York, 1951.

By far the bulk of industrial motors are of the alternating-current (a-c) type. Single-phase current is usually satisfactory up to  $\frac{1}{2}$  hp for across-the-line starting and up to 1 hp with resistors or autotransformer starting.

**25-3 Induction motors.** The most common type of motor for industrial use is the squirrel-cage induction motor. This motor is simple, rugged, and foolproof, and the current is induced in the rotor bars by

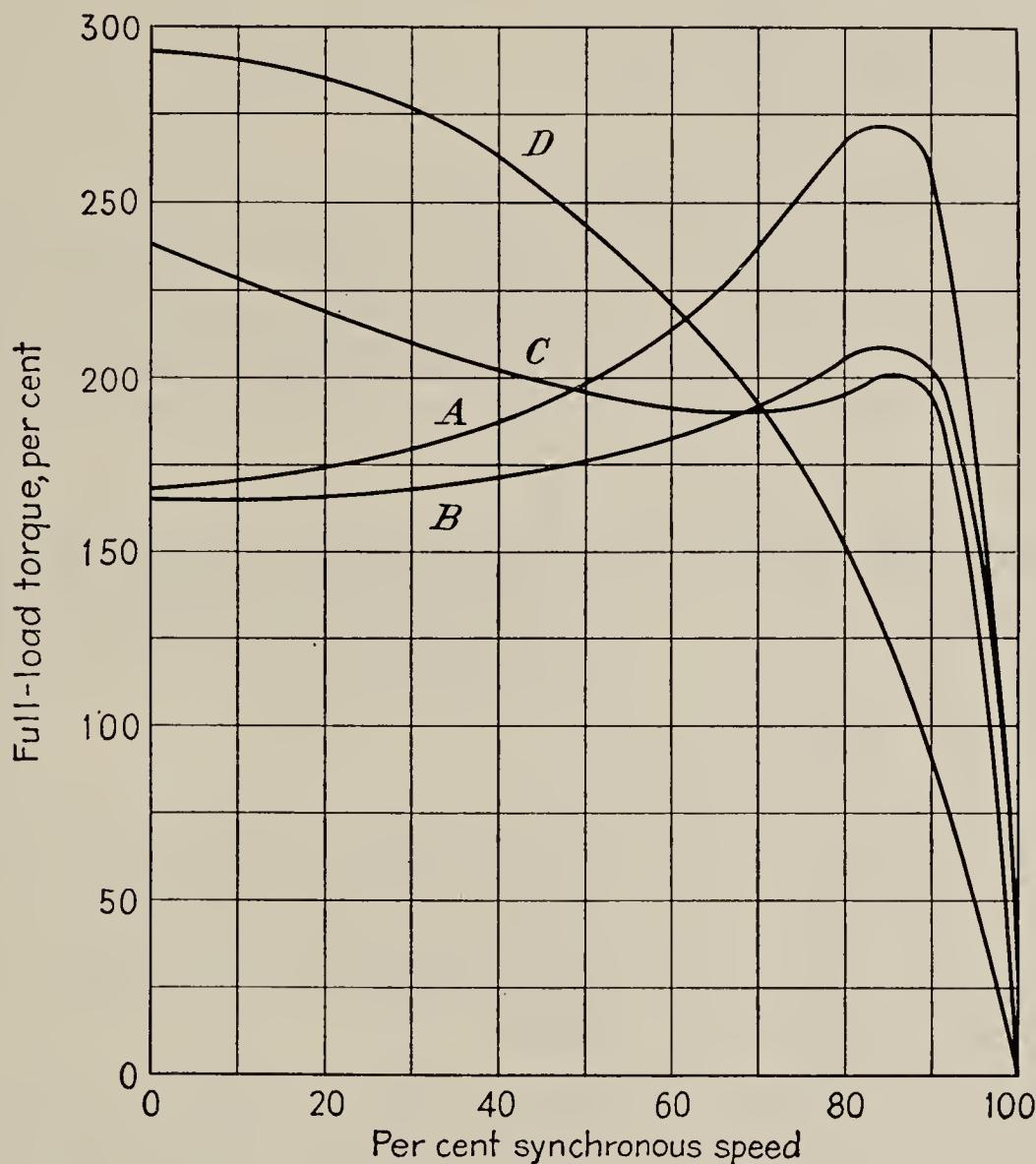


FIG. 25-1. Speed-torque characteristics for induction motors.

induction, so that slip rings or commutator are not required. In Table 25-1 is given information to assist in selecting National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA) class A, B, C, and D squirrel-cage induction motors for various applications. Figure 25-1 shows curves for approximate speed-torque characteristics for these motors. Class D motor, known as a high-torque high-slip induction motor is suited for use with a flywheel drive, for example, in a punch press. Since a flywheel cannot transfer kinetic energy to the load without slowing down in the process, it is necessary to use a motor that is capable of speed variation. The motor must be able to slow down sufficiently for the flywheel to transfer enough energy to the system to carry the load through the peak in the duty cycle. The motor must also be capable of accelerating the

system back to its original speed, thereby restoring the kinetic energy to the flywheel before the next peak in the duty cycle occurs. The high-torque high-slip induction motor is well suited to this purpose.

TABLE 25-1. CHARACTERISTICS AND APPLICATIONS OF SQUIRREL-CAGE INDUCTION MOTORS\*

NEMA class	Start-ing torque	Break-down torque	Start-ing cur-rent	Slip	Application	On such machines as:
A	Normal	High	Normal	Low	For moderately easy-to-start loads; for loads requiring slightly more than full-load starting torque and low slip; relatively high breakdown torque to sustain occasional overloads, where higher starting current can be tolerated	Generators Pumps Lathes Drill presses Grinders Machine tools Conveyors Compressors
B	Normal	Normal	Low	Low	For moderately easy-to-start loads; for loads requiring slightly more than full-load starting torque and low slip; relatively high breakdown torque to sustain occasional overloads	Generators Pumps Lathes Drill presses Grinders Machine tools Conveyors Compressors
C	High	Normal	Low	Low	For hard-to-start loads; for loads requiring high starting torque but not requiring high overload demands after running speed is reached. Not suitable for loads requiring long accelerating time	Electric stairways Pulverizers Compressors Conveyors
D	High	.....	Low	High	For hard-to-start intermittent loads and shock loads; no sharply defined breakdown torque point. Surge load causes appreciable decrease in speed with high torque developed to recover speed rapidly. Available in intermittent and continuous ratings	Hoists Elevators Punch presses Machines with large flywheels Centrifuges

\* From Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

The *wound-rotor* induction motor is used to drive variable-speed equipment such as hoists, cranes, centrifugal pumps, and fans. The three-phase windings on the rotor are brought out to three slip rings which are connected to variable external resistors.

**25-4 Controls and mountings.** Small induction motors may be started across the line, but larger motors require starters employing resistors or autotransformers. Motors may be bolted directly to the bedplate, or adjustable bases may be provided for chain, belt, or gear drives. Many

motors are made with special bases or flanges when they are to form an integral part of a machine or appliance.

**25-5 Standard sizes and dimensions.** Motors are built into standard size frames so that one frame size may be used for more than one horsepower rated at different speeds. For instance, Frame 213 is used for the following motors:

- 5 hp at 3,600 rpm
- 3 hp at 1,800 rpm
- 2 hp at 1,200 rpm
- 1½ hp at 900 rpm

The price of each of these motors will not vary more than 10 per cent from the average of the four.

In Table 25-2 are given standard horsepowers, speeds, frame numbers, outside diameters of motors, and diameters of shaft stub ends. The frame numbers are according to NEMA Standards approved in 1954.

TABLE 25-2. STANDARD HORSEPOWERS, SPEEDS, FRAME NUMBERS, AND DIMENSIONS FOR DRIPPROOF, POLYPHASE SQUIRREL-CAGE INDUCTION MOTORS

Hp	Frame numbers				Dimensions		
	Rpm				Frame No.	A*	U†
	3,600	1,800	1,200	900			
½	.....	.....	.....	182	182	9	⅜
¾	.....	.....	182	184	184	9	⅜
1	.....	182	184	213	213	10½	1⅓
1½	182	184	184	213	254U	12½	1⅓
2	184	184	213	215	256U	12½	1⅓
3	184	213	215	254U	284U	14	1⅓
5	213	215	254U	256U	286U	14	1⅓
7½	215	254U	256U	284U	324U	16	1⅓
10	254U	256U	284U	286U	324S	16	1⅓
15	256U	284U	324U	326U	326U	16	1⅓
20	284U	286U	326U		326S	16	1⅓
25	286U	324U					
30	324S	326U					
40	326S						

\* A = outside diameter of motor, in.

† U = shaft stub-end diameter, in.

**25-6 Selection of motor size.** Considerable care should be used in specifying the size of motor. If it is too small, it will overheat, which will shorten its life; if it is larger than required, its efficiency will be low and, for an induction motor, the power factor will be low thus unduly increasing the cost of operation.

Open 40C integral-horsepower motors are good for continuous service greater than the rated horsepower by the following factors: 1 hp, 1.25;  $1\frac{1}{2}$  and 2 hp, 1.20; 3 to 200 hp, 1.15.<sup>1</sup>

*Power factor.* On account of the reduction in power factor at part load, which is undesirable in that it increases power loss in the lines and transformers and reduces the kilowatt output of the power-supply generator, it is better to select motors to avoid, if possible, sustained part-load operation. This is particularly desirable in a plant in which a large number of small motors are used. As an example, a 1-hp induction motor, 1,750 rpm, has power factors as follows: full load, 73 per cent;  $\frac{3}{4}$  load, 65 per cent, and half load, 50 per cent.

*Efficiency.* The efficiency of motors increases with the size of motor, speed, and load up to full load. Thus large, high-speed motors operating at full load are most efficient.

*Intermittent rating.* Since the horsepower rating of a motor is based on temperature rise, advantage may be taken of cooling periods if the duty cycle requires partial load and rest periods in regular cycles. Since most of the heating of the motor is caused by copper losses due to the load current, which (losses) depend on the square of the load current, it is customary to calculate an average horsepower on the basis of the root-mean-square (rms) value. The motor may be selected on the rms horsepower rather than on the maximum-load horsepower.

The rms horsepower for repetitive duty may be determined by multiplying the square of the horsepower for each part of the cycle by its duration in seconds. Divide the sum of these results by the total time in seconds for a cycle. The square root of this last result is the rms value. If the motor is stopped during the cycle, only one-third (for open motors) of the standstill time should be added in the time for one cycle. This is due to the reduction in cooling when the motor is at rest.

In using the rms horsepower to choose a size of motor, the duty cycle should be short as compared with the time required for the motor to reach a steady temperature. Also if there are extremely high peaks in the duty cycle, such as in drop-forging and punch-press applications, the motor may stall at the peak load. In this case a flywheel should be used.

**EXAMPLE.** Assume a machining operation in which a motor operates at 8-hp load for 4 min, 6-hp for 50 sec, 10-hp for 3 min, and standstill for 6 min. Select a motor size for this repeated cycle of operation (see Fig. 25-2).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rms hp} &= \sqrt{\frac{(8^2 \times 240) + (6^2 \times 50) + (10^2 \times 180)}{240 + 50 + 180 + 360}} \\ &= \sqrt{54.6} = 7.7 \quad \text{Select a } 7\frac{1}{2}\text{-hp motor} \end{aligned}$$

<sup>1</sup> See NEMA Specification, pt. 4, p. 9.

**25-7 Connected rotating masses.** For fast, repeating cycles which require rapid acceleration of rotating masses, it may be necessary to calculate the time required for acceleration. In this case it is usually convenient to make calculations on the basis of torque rather than horsepower.

From the equation for the rate of change of angular momentum, the equation for the time required to accelerate uniformly a rotating body subjected to a constant torque may be found:

$$T = I\alpha$$

where  $T$  is the torque,  $I$  is the polar moment of inertia of mass, and  $\alpha$  is the angular acceleration. By substituting for  $I$  its equal  $(W/g)R^2$ ,

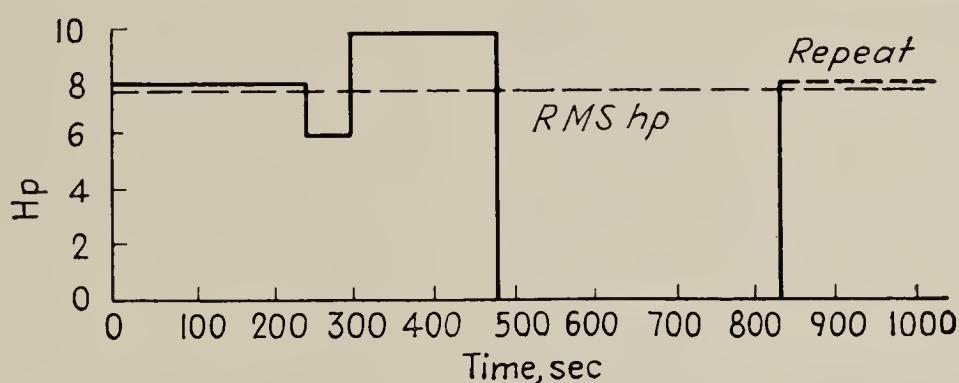


FIG. 25-2. Motor duty cycle and corresponding rms horsepower.

where  $W$  is the weight of the mass and  $R$  its radius of gyration, the following equation may be derived for the time required to accelerate uniformly the rotating mass for constant applied torque:

$$t = \frac{WR^2 \times (\text{change in rpm})}{308T} \quad (25-1)$$

where  $t$  = time for acceleration, sec

$W$  = weight of rotating mass, lb

$R$  = radius of gyration, ft

$T$  = constant torque, lb-ft

Equations for determining  $WR^2$  for various bodies are given in Appendix XI. Values for  $WR^2$  for standard motor rotors may be found in manufacturers' catalogues.

In case the accelerating torque is not uniform, a more extensive analysis will be necessary.



## Appendix I: Abbreviations\*

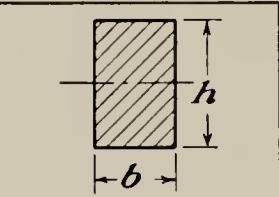
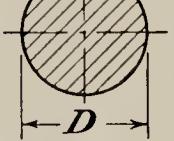
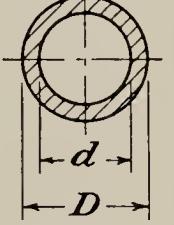
Abbreviations should be used sparingly in text material and *only* when preceded by numerals. Use lower case for abbreviations except where the word indicated requires a capital. Abbreviations representing compound adjectives should be hyphenated. Periods are not used in abbreviations with few exceptions, as *in.* for inches.

Absolute.....	abs	Feet per second.....	fps
Alternating-current.....	a-c (as compound adjective)	Figure.....	Fig.
American Society of Mechanical Engineers.....	ASME	Foot.....	ft
American Standards Association.....	ASA	Foot-pound.....	ft-lb
Ampere.....	amp	Gallon.....	gal
Atmosphere.....	atm	Gallons per minute.....	gpm
Average.....	avg	Gallons per second.....	gps
Barometer.....	bar	Gram.....	g
Boiler pressure.....	bp	High pressure.....	h-p
Brake horsepower.....	bhp	Horsepower.....	hp
Brinell hardness number.....	Bhn	Horsepowerhour.....	hphr
British thermal unit.....	Btu	Hour.....	hr
Calorie.....	cal	Inch or inches.....	in.
Centimeter.....	cm	Inches per second.....	ips
Coefficient.....	coef	Indicated horsepower.....	ihp
Constant.....	const	Intermediate-pressure.....	i-p
Cubic feet per minute.....	cfm	Internal.....	int
Cubic inches.....	cu in.	Kilogram.....	kg
Cycles per second.....	cps	Kilovolt.....	
Cylinder.....	cyl	Kilovolt-ampere.....	kva
Degrees.....	deg	Kilowatt.....	kw
Degree centigrade.....	C	Kilowatthour.....	kwhr
Degree Fahrenheit.....	F	Liquid.....	liq
Diameter.....	diam	Logarithm (common).....	log
Direct-current.....	d-c (as compound adjective)	Logarithm (natural).....	ln
Dozen.....	doz	Maximum.....	max
Efficiency.....	eff	Mean effective pressure.....	mep
Electromotive force.....	emf	Meters.....	m
Equation.....	Eq.	Miles per hour.....	mph
External.....	ext	Millimeter.....	mm
Feet.....	ft	Millivolt.....	mv
Feet per minute.....	fpm	Minimum.....	min
		Minute.....	min
		Ounce.....	oz
		Per cent.....	spell out
		Pint.....	pt

\* Based largely on ASA list.

Pound or pounds.....	lb	Square centimeter.....	sq cm
Pounds per square inch.....	psi	Square foot.....	sq ft
Quart.....	qt	Square inch.....	sq in.
Radians.....	spell out	Standard.....	std
Revolutions per minute.....	rpm	Temperature.....	temp
Second.....	sec	Volt.....	spell out
Shaft horsepower.....	shp	Watt.....	spell out
Society of Automotive Engineers.....	SAE	Watthour.....	whr
Specific gravity.....	sp gr	Weight.....	wt
Specific heat.....	sp ht	Yard.....	yd
Square.....	sq	Year.....	yr

### Appendix II: Elements of Sections

Section	Rectangular		Polar	
	Moment of inertia $I$	$\frac{I}{c}$	Moment of inertia $J$	$\frac{J}{r}$
	$\frac{bh^3}{12}$	$\frac{bh^2}{6}$		
	$\frac{\pi D^4}{64}$	$\frac{\pi D^3}{32}$	$\frac{\pi D^4}{32}$	$\frac{\pi D^3}{16}$
	$\frac{\pi(D^4 - d^4)}{64}$	$\frac{\pi(D^4 - d^4)}{32D}$	$\frac{\pi(D^4 - d^4)}{32}$	$\frac{\pi(D^4 - d^4)}{16D}$

### Appendix III: Bending Moment and Deflection Formulas

$M$  = maximum bending moment, lb-in.

$\delta$  = maximum deflection, in.

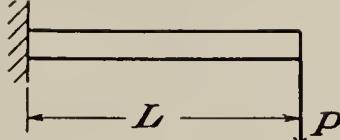
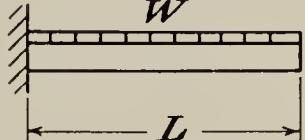
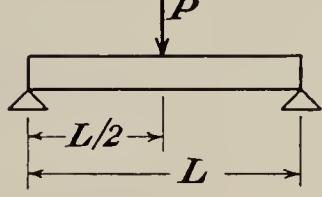
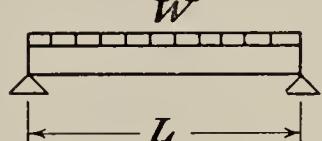
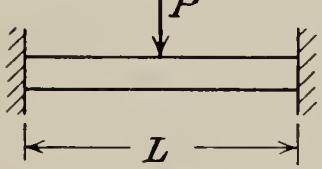
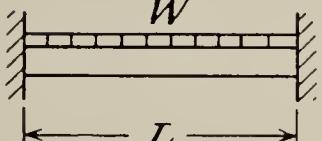
$P$  = concentrated load, lb

$W$  = uniformly distributed load, lb

$L$  = length of beam, in.

$E$  = modulus of elasticity, psi

$I$  = moment of inertia of section, in.<sup>4</sup>

Beam loading and support	$M$	$\delta$
	$PL$	$\frac{PL^3}{3EI}$
	$\frac{WL}{2}$	$\frac{WL^3}{8EI}$
	$\frac{PL}{4}$	$\frac{PL^3}{48EI}$
	$\frac{WL}{8}$	$\frac{WL^3}{76.8EI}$
	$\frac{PL}{8}$	$\frac{PL^3}{192EI}$
	$\frac{WL}{12}$	$\frac{WL^3}{384EI}$

## Appendix IV

Values of  $\pi d^3/16$  ( $d$  = diameter of shaft)

$d$	0	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{7}{16}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{9}{16}$	$\frac{5}{8}$	$\frac{11}{16}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{13}{16}$	$\frac{7}{8}$	$\frac{15}{16}$	$d$
0	0	0.000048	0.00038	0.0013	0.0031	0.006	0.0104	0.0164	0.0245	0.0349	0.0479	0.0638	0.0828	0.1053	0.1315	0.1618	0
1	0.196	0.236	0.280	0.329	0.384	0.444	0.510	0.583	0.663	0.749	0.843	0.944	1.052	1.169	1.294	1.428	1
2	1.571	1.723	1.884	2.055	2.236	2.428	2.630	2.843	3.068	3.304	3.551	3.811	4.083	4.368	4.666	4.977	2
3	5.301	5.639	5.992	6.359	6.740	7.136	7.548	7.975	8.416	8.877	9.352	9.845	10.35	10.88	11.42	11.99	3
4	12.57	13.16	13.78	14.42	15.07	15.75	16.44	17.16	17.89	18.65	19.42	20.22	21.04	21.88	22.75	23.63	4
5	24.54	25.47	26.43	27.41	28.41	29.44	30.49	31.56	32.66	33.79	34.94	36.12	37.33	38.56	39.82	41.10	5
6	42.41	43.75	45.12	46.51	47.93	49.39	50.87	52.38	53.92	55.49	57.09	58.72	60.38	62.08	63.80	65.56	6
7	67.35	71.02	74.82	78.76	82.83	87.04	91.39	95.89	100.6	105.3	110.3	115.3	120.6	126.0	131.5	137.3	7
8	100.5	105.3	110.3	115.3	120.6	126.0	131.5	137.3	143.1	149.2	155.4	161.8	168.3	175.1	182.0	189.1	8
9	143.1	149.2	155.4	161.8	168.3	175.1	182.0	189.1	196.4	203.8	211.4	219.3	227.3	235.5	243.9	252.5	9
10	196.4	203.8	211.4	219.3	227.3	235.5	243.9	252.5	261.3	270.3	279.6	289.0	298.6	308.5	318.5	328.8	10
11	261.3	270.3	279.6	289.0	298.6	308.5	318.5	328.8	339.3	350.0	361.0	372.1	383.5	395.1	407.0	419.1	11
12	339.3	350.0	361.0	372.1	383.5	395.1	407.0	419.1	431.4	443.9	456.8	469.8	483.1	504.4	524.5	546.3	12
13	431.4	443.9	456.8	469.8	483.1	504.4	524.5	546.3	553.3	568.2	583.3	598.6	614.2	630.1	646.3	664.3	13
14	538.8	553.3	568.2	583.3	598.6	614.2	630.1	646.3	662.7	679.4	696.4	713.6	731.2	749.0	785.6	813.6	14
15	662.7	679.4	696.4	713.6	731.2	749.0	785.6	813.6	839.7	856.8	874.2	891.4	908.6	925.8	943.0	960.2	15

Values of  $\pi d^3/32$  ( $d$  = diameter of shaft)

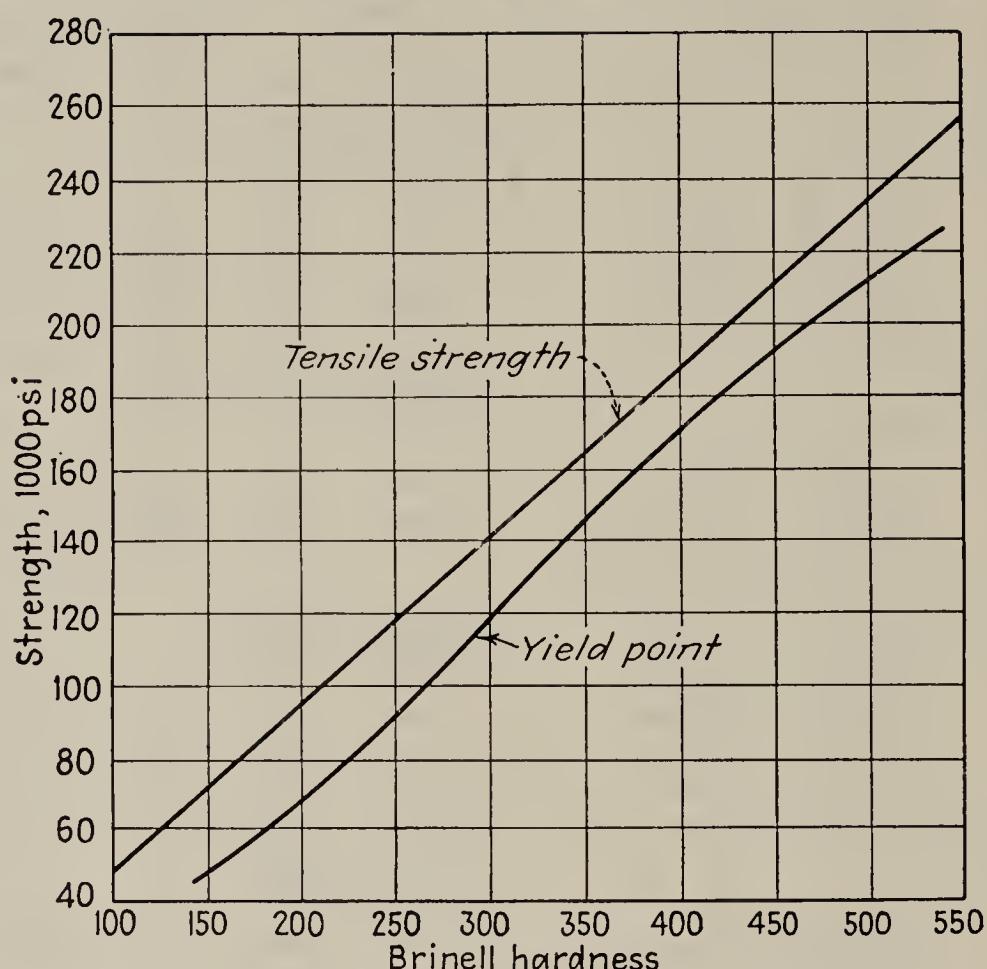
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0	0	0.000024	0.00019	0.00065	0.00154	0.003	0.0052	0.0082	0.0123	0.0175	0.0239	0.0319	0.0414	0.0527	0.0658	0.0809	0
1	0.098	0.118	0.14	0.164	0.192	0.222	0.255	0.292	0.331	0.375	0.421	0.472	0.526	0.585	0.647	0.714	1
2	0.785	0.862	0.942	1.028	1.118	1.214	1.315	1.422	1.534	1.652	1.776	1.906	2.042	2.184	2.333	2.489	2
3	2.651	2.82	2.996	3.18	3.37	3.568	3.774	3.988	4.208	4.439	4.676	4.923	5.176	5.44	5.712	5.995	3
4	6.283	6.58	6.892	7.21	7.535	7.876	8.220	8.580	8.946	9.326	9.712	10.11	10.52	10.94	11.38	11.82	4
5	12.27	12.74	13.22	13.71	14.20	14.72	15.24	15.73	16.33	16.89	17.42	18.06	18.66	19.28	19.91	20.55	5
6	21.21	21.88	22.56	23.26	23.97	24.70	25.44	26.19	26.96	27.75	28.55	29.36	30.19	31.04	31.90	32.78	6
7	33.68	35.51	37.41	39.38	41.42	43.52	45.70	48.99	50.99	53.52	56.77	60.99	65.77	70.99	76.63	82.78	7
8	50.27	52.66	55.13	57.67	60.29	63.00	65.77	68.54	71.31	74.09	76.86	79.63	82.40	85.17	87.95	94.53	8
9	71.57	74.59	77.70	80.90	84.17	87.54	90.99	94.53	98.18	101.9	105.7	110.6	115.3	120.0	126.3	132.3	9
10	98.18	101.9	105.7	109.6	113.6	117.8	122.0	127.8	132.7	137.5	142.3	147.1	152.0	156.8	161.4	167.4	10
11	130.7	135.2	139.8	144.5	149.3	154.2	159.3	164.4	169.7	175.0	180.5	186.0	191.8	197.6	203.5	209.5	11
12	169.7	175.0	180.5	186.0	191.8	197.6	203.5	210.3	216.7	222.0	228.4	234.9	241.6	248.3	255.2	262.2	12
13	215.7	222.0	228.4	234.9	241.6	248.3	255.2	262.2	269.7	276.7	284.1	291.6	299.3	307.1	315.1	323.1	13
14	269.4	276.7	284.1	291.6	299.3	306.8	314.5	322.2	329.7	337.0	344.4	352.0	360.7	368.4	376.1	383.8	14
15	331.3	339.7	348.2	356.8	365.6	374.5	383.6	391.3	399.0	407.7	416.2	424.7	433.4	442.1	451.8	460.5	15

## Appendix V: Properties of Materials

Material	No.	Description	Tension		Endurance limit (bending)*	Modulus of elasticity in tension*	Elongation in 2 in., per cent
			Ultimate strength*	Elastic limit*			
Cast iron . . . . .	20 ASTM	½-in. section	20,000	6,200	6,500	10,000,000	
	20 ASTM	< ½ in.	24,000	7,500	7,500	12,000,000	
	25 ASTM	½-in. section	25,000	10,000	9,500	13,000,000	
	25 ASTM	< ½ in.	30,000	12,000	11,000	14,000,000	
	50 ASTM	½-in. section	50,000	30,000	18,000	20,000,000	
Malleable cast iron . . . . .	.....	.....	50,000	20,000	24,000	25,000,000	
Nickel cast iron . . . . .	Grade II	.....	35,000	17,000	13,000	16,000,000	
Cast steel . . . . .	0.20% C	Annealed	60,000	30,000	24,000	29,000,000	22
	0.30% C	Annealed	70,000	35,000	28,000	29,000,000	18
	0.40% C	Annealed	80,000	40,000	32,000	29,000,000	15
Wrought steel . . . . .	SAE 1010	Hot rolled	54,000	31,000	.....	30,000,000	36
	SAE 1020	Hot rolled	62,000	35,000	.....	30,000,000	30
	SAE 1030	Annealed	75,000	42,000	.....	30,000,000	26
	SAE 1040	Annealed	90,000	50,000	.....	30,000,000	22
	SAE 1050	Annealed	95,000	52,000	.....	30,000,000	20
	SAE 1095	Annealed	120,000	60,000	.....	30,000,000	20
	SAE 1095	Drawn at 900 F	150,000	80,000	.....	30,000,000	16
Nickel steel . . . . .	SAE 2320	Annealed	70,000	45,000	See Appendix VII	30,000,000	29
	SAE 2320	Drawn at 1000 F	120,000	80,000		30,000,000	25
	SAE 2340	Annealed	95,000	55,000		30,000,000	26
	SAE 2340	Drawn at 1000 F	120,000	95,000		30,000,000	22
Aluminum bronze . . . . .	SAE 68	.....	65,000	14,000	14,000	17,000,000	20
Brass . . . . .	SAE 41	Cast	25,000	10,000	7,000	4,500,000	20
	SAE 41	Rolled	45,000	25,000	12,000	6,000,000	
	SAE 41	Drawn	75,000	31,000	20,000	6,000,000	
Bronze . . . . .	SAE 64	.....	25,000	12,000	8,000	14,000,000	8
Copper . . . . .	.....	Soft	32,000	2,800	12,500	15,500,000	
	.....	Drawn	50,000	12,000	17,000	17,000,000	
Monel metal . . . . .	.....	Cast	72,000	25,000	20,000	25,000,000	
	.....	Hot rolled	85,000	30,000	30,000	25,000,000	
	.....	Drawn	120,000	70,000	50,000	25,000,000	
Cast aluminum . . . . .	SAE 30	.....	22,000	9,000	7,500	9,700,000	2
	SAE 33	.....	22,000	9,000	8,500	9,700,000	2
	SAE 35	.....	19,000	7,500	6,500	9,700,000	4
	SAE 38	.....	31,000	8,000	7,500	9,700,000	8
Wrought aluminum	SAE 26	Soft	26,000	7,000	11,000	10,300,000	20
	SAE 26	Age hardened	58,000	23,000	15,000	10,300,000	20
	SAE 24	Age hardened	65,000	28,000	14,000	10,300,000	20
Aluminum mag- nesium . . . . .	AM 241	.....	26,000	11,000	7,000	6,500,000	5
	AM 53S	.....	37,000	22,000	12,000	6,500,000	12
	AM 57S	.....	43,000	30,000	17,000	6,500,000	17

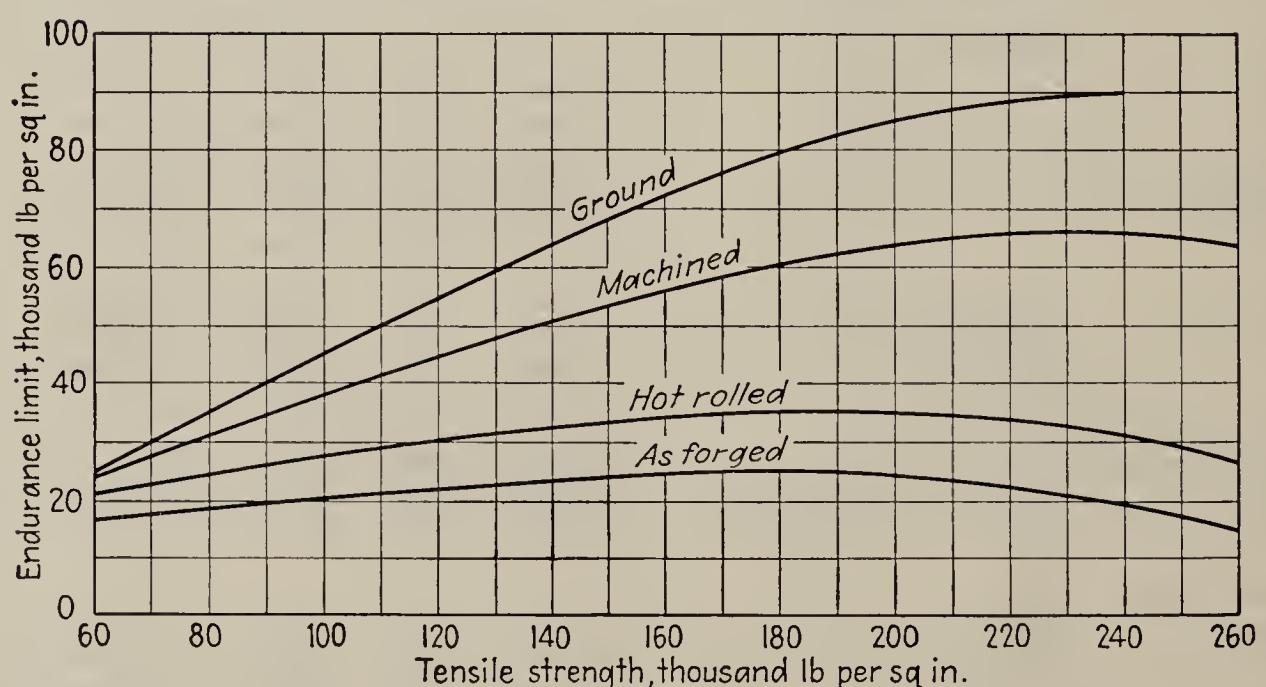
\* Values in psi.

**Appendix VI: Tensile Strength and Yield Point Versus Brinell Hardness\***



\* From Noll and Lipson, Allowable Working Stresses, *Proc. Soc. Exp. Stress Anal.*, vol. III, no. II, 1946.

**Appendix VII: Endurance Limit Versus Tensile Strength\***



\* From Noll and Lipson, Allowable Working Stresses, *Proc. Soc. Exp. Stress Anal.*, vol. III, no. II, 1946.

### Appendix VIII: Yield Points for Steel

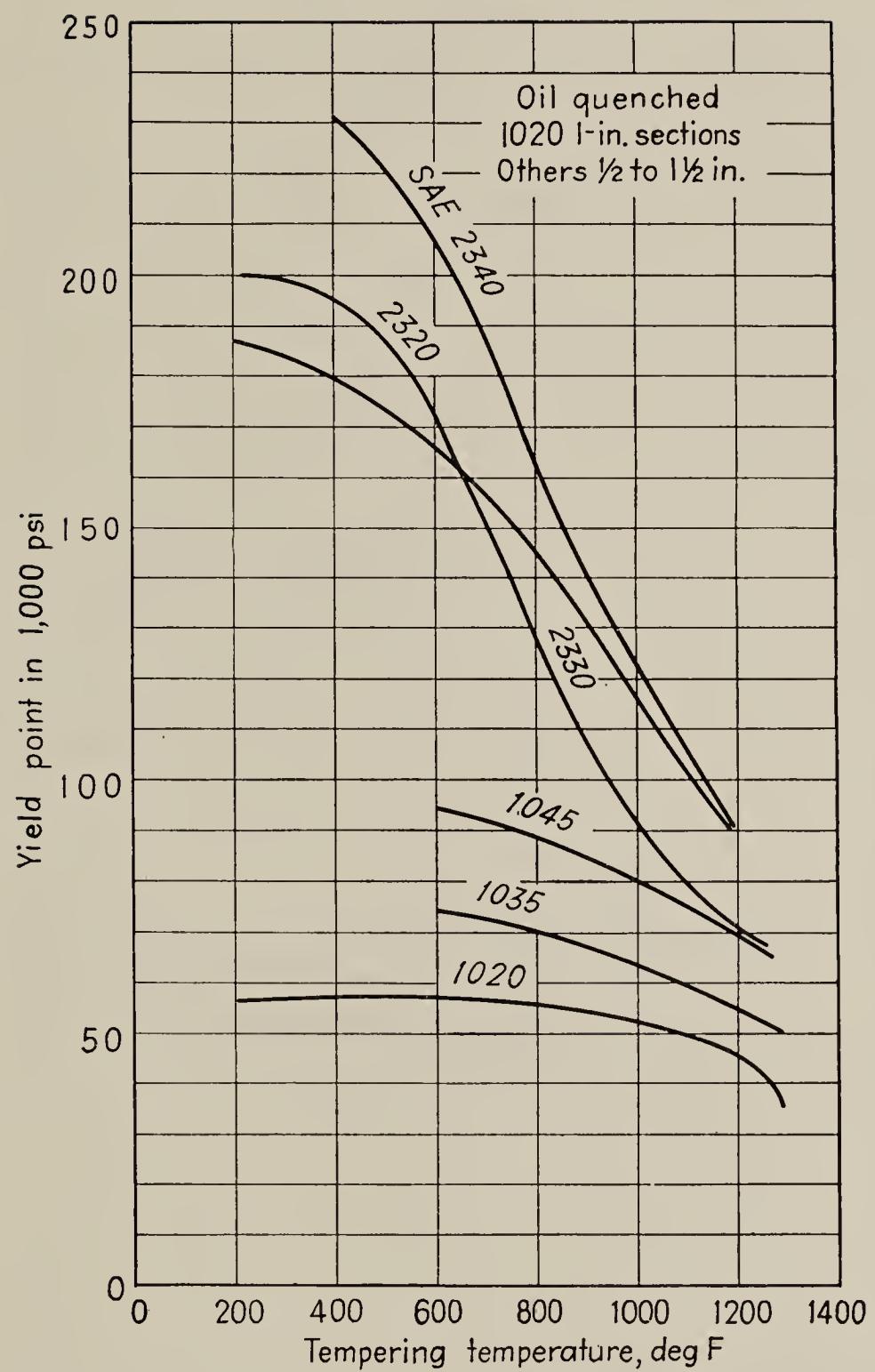


FIG. VIII-1. Yield points for some oil-quenched steels.

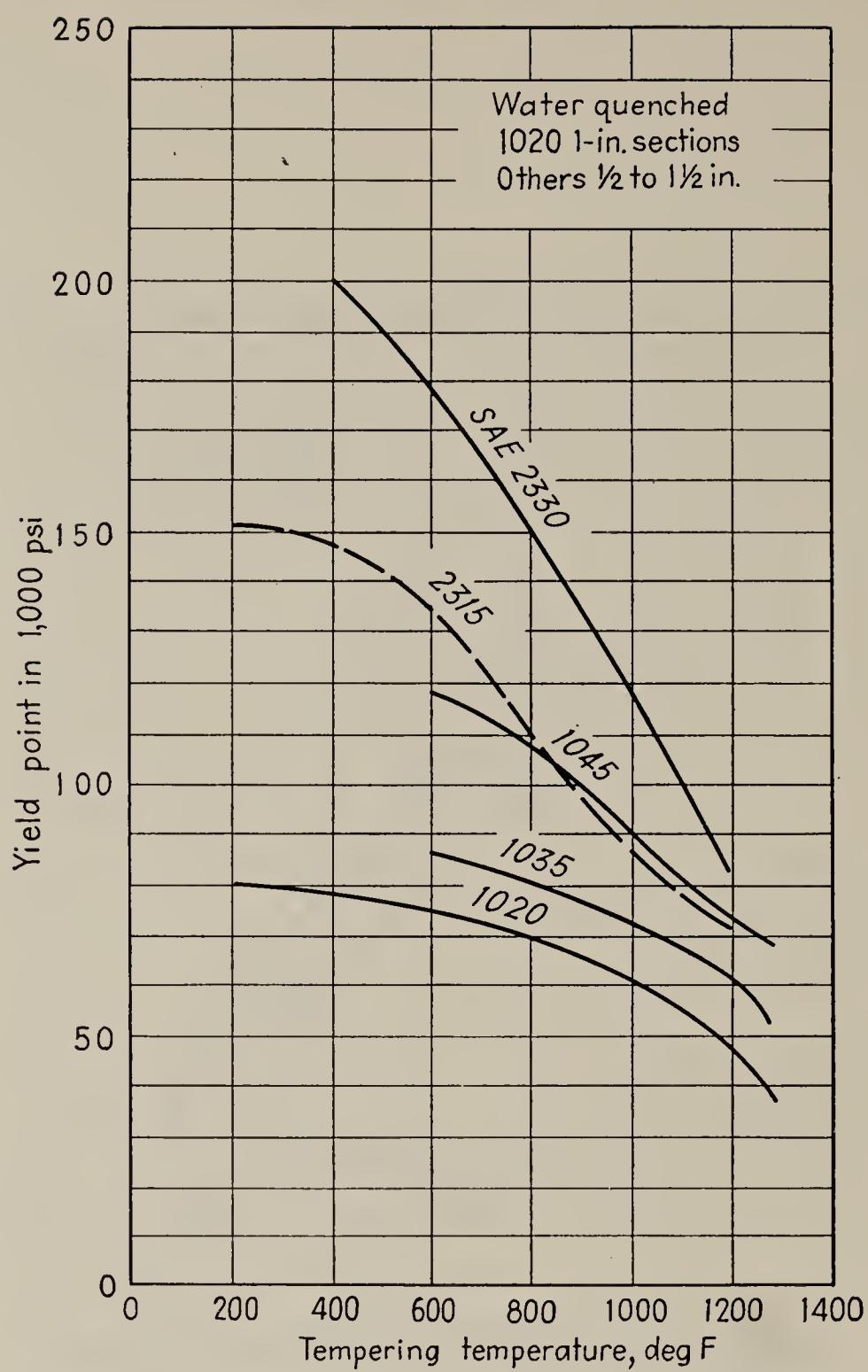
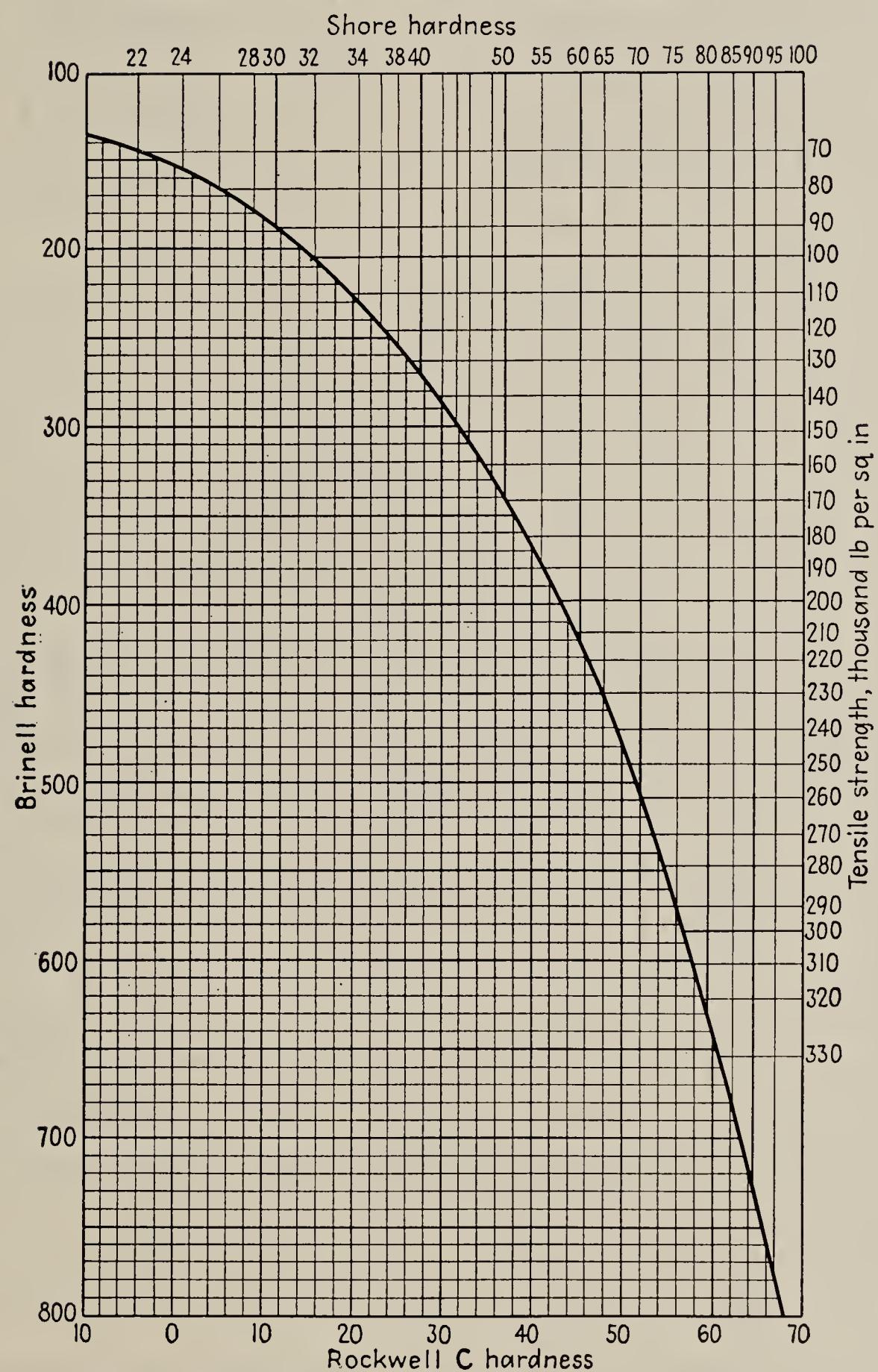


FIG. VIII-2. Yield points for some water-quenched steels.

### Appendix IX: Hardness Numbers Conversion Chart\*



\* Courtesy of International Nickel Company, Inc.

Appendix X: Curves for Stress-concentration Factors\*

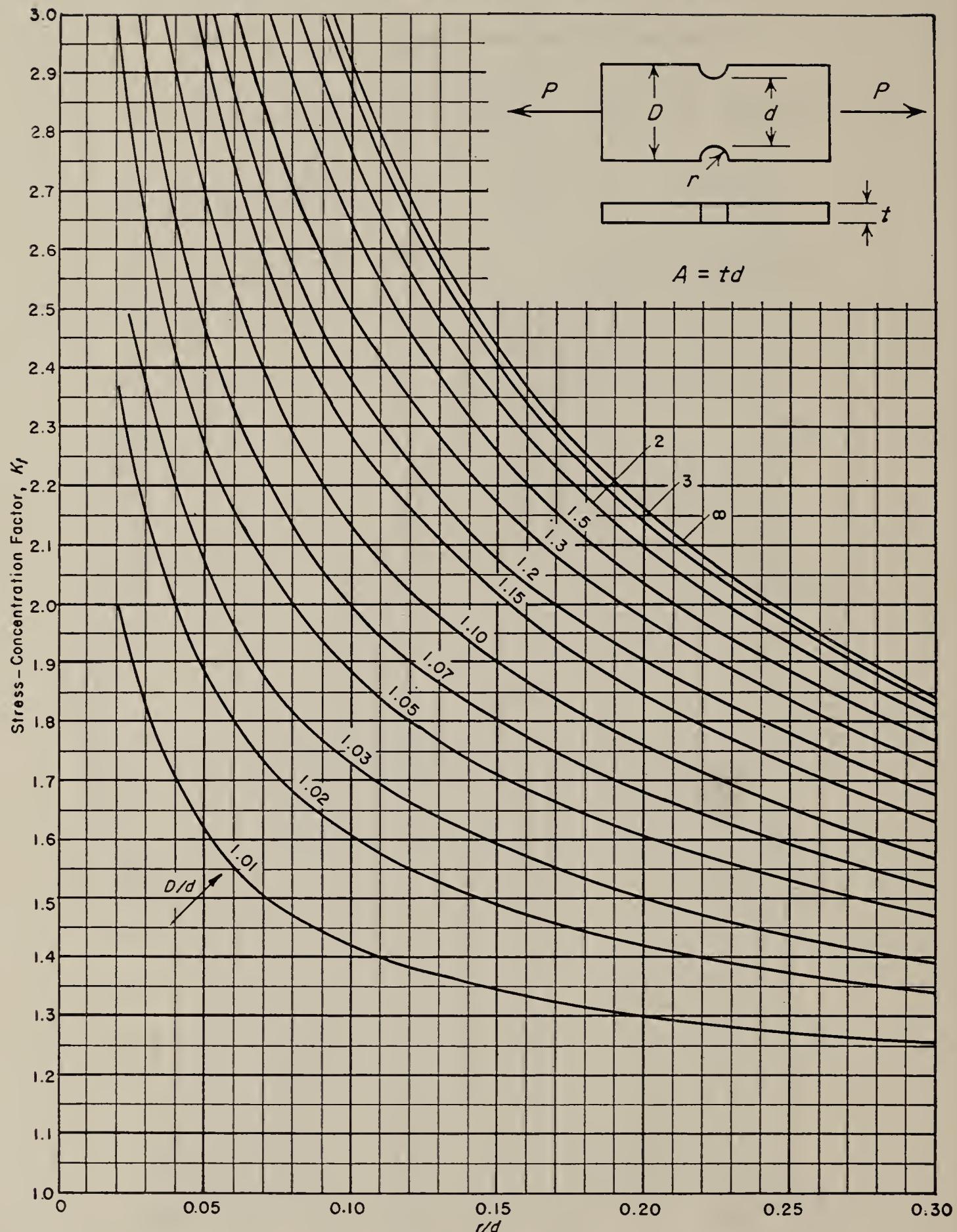


FIG. X-1. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  for a notched flat bar in tension.

\* Curves taken by permission of the author and publisher of "Stress-concentration Design Factors," by R. E. Peterson, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1953.

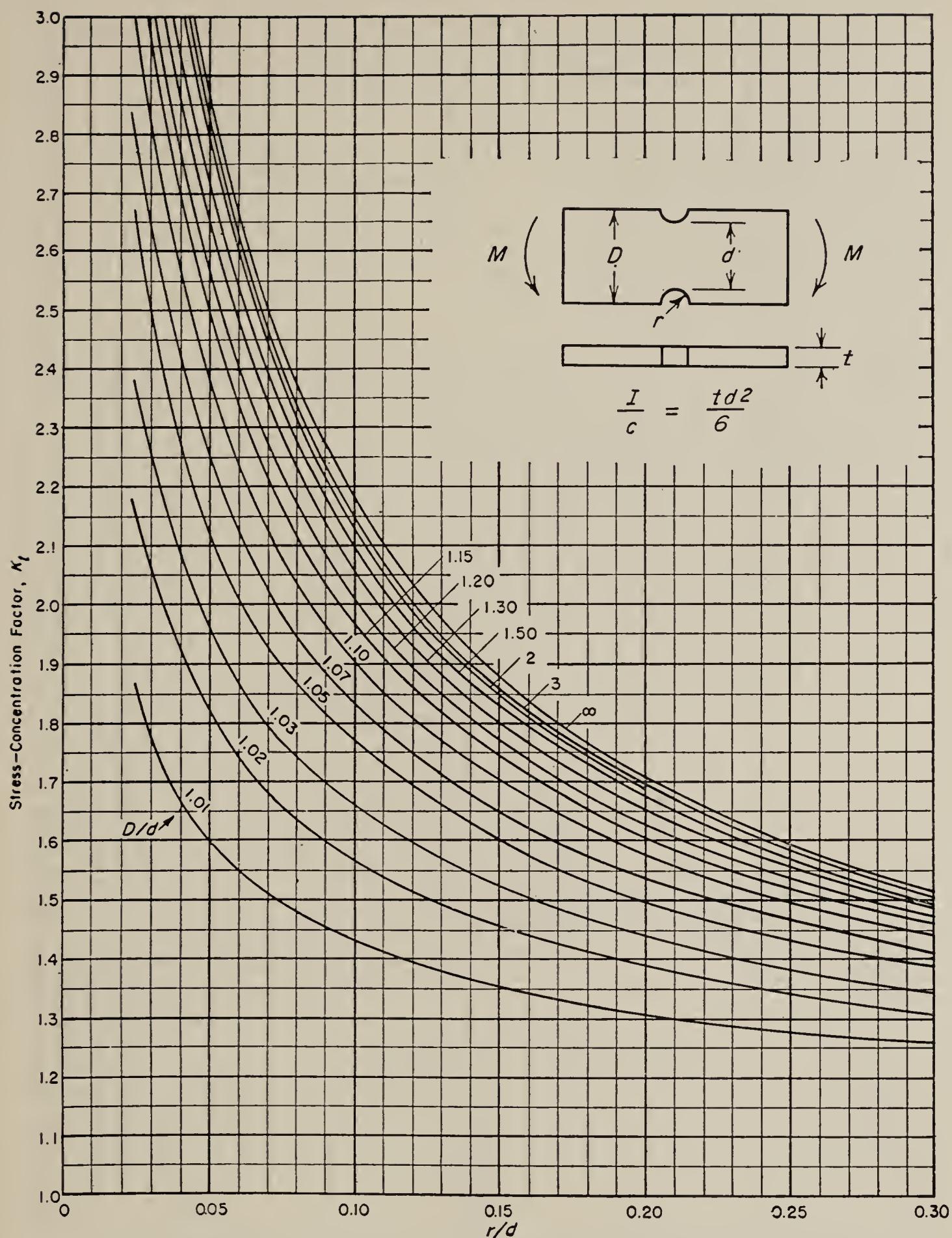


FIG. X-2. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  for a notched flat bar in bending.

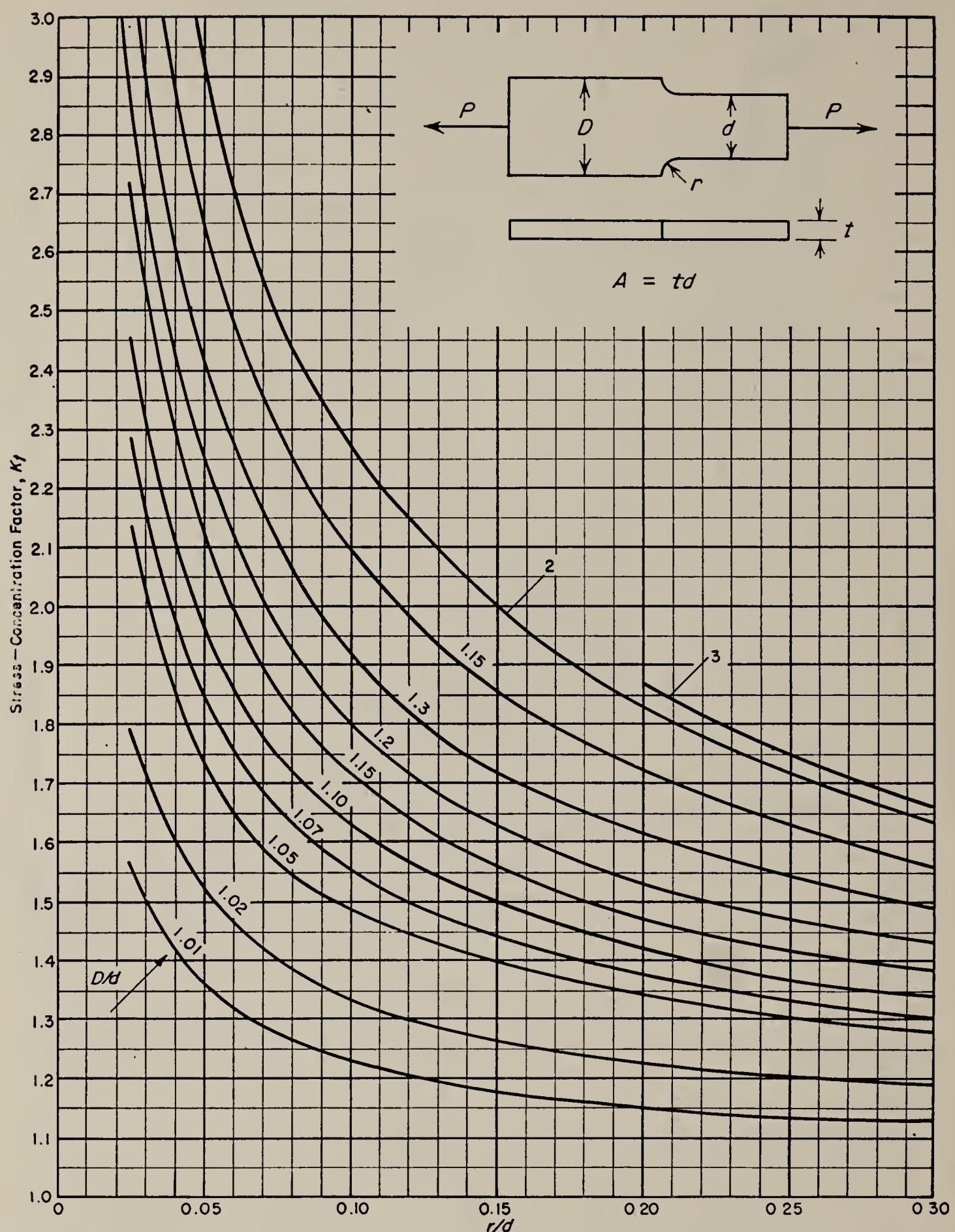


FIG. X-3. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  for a stepped bar in tension.

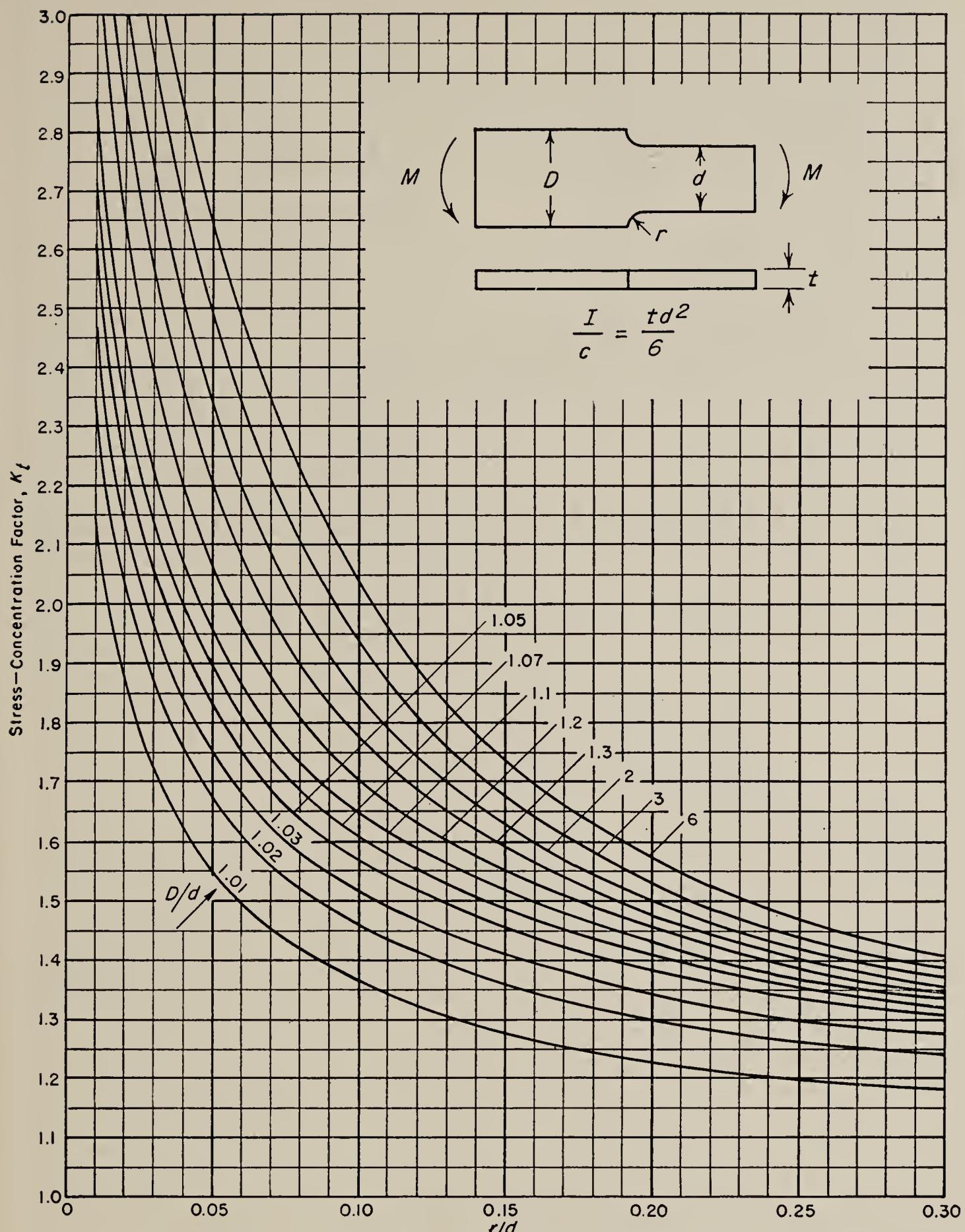


FIG. X-4. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  for a stepped bar in bending.

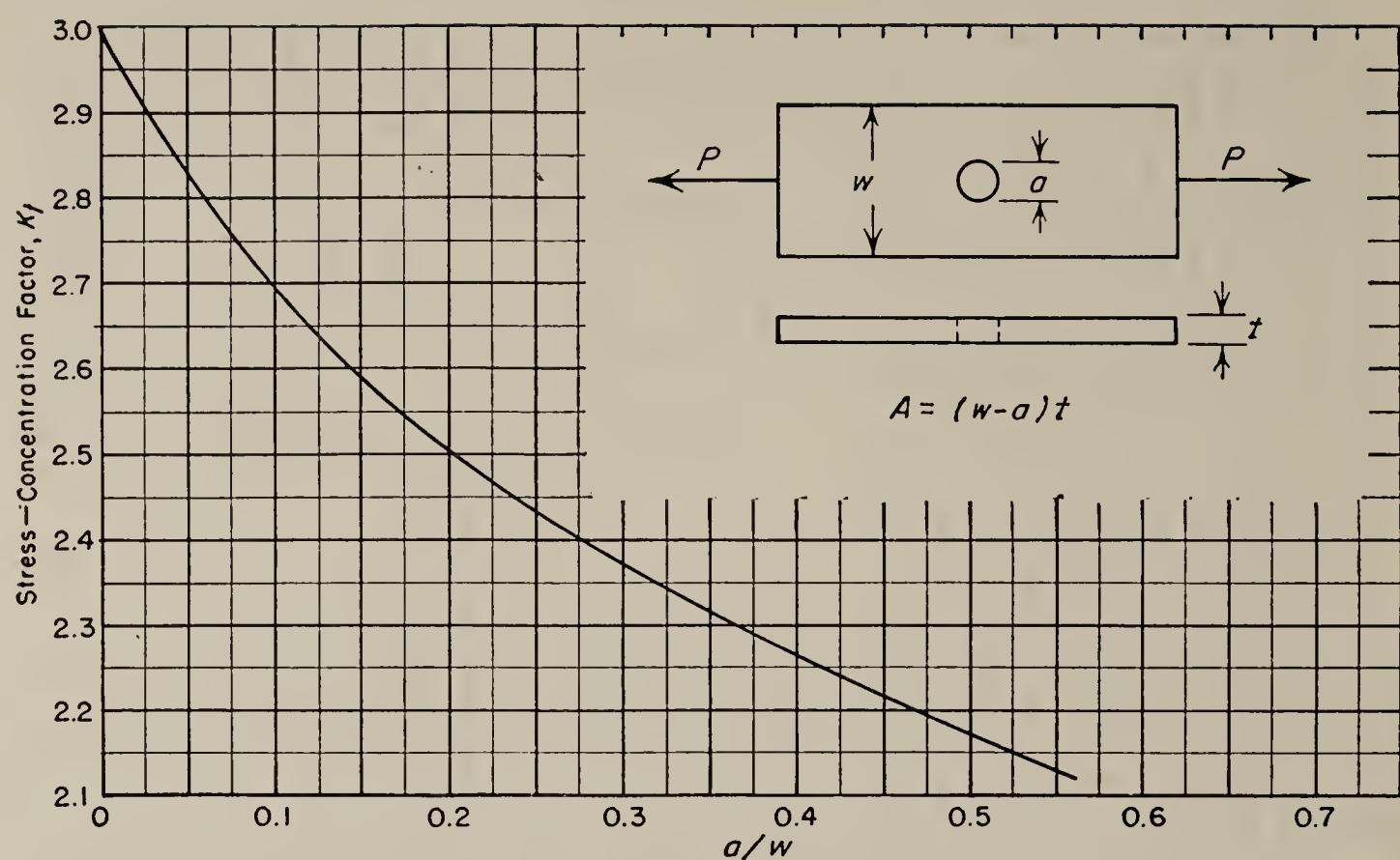


FIG. X-5. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  for a plate with hole, in tension.

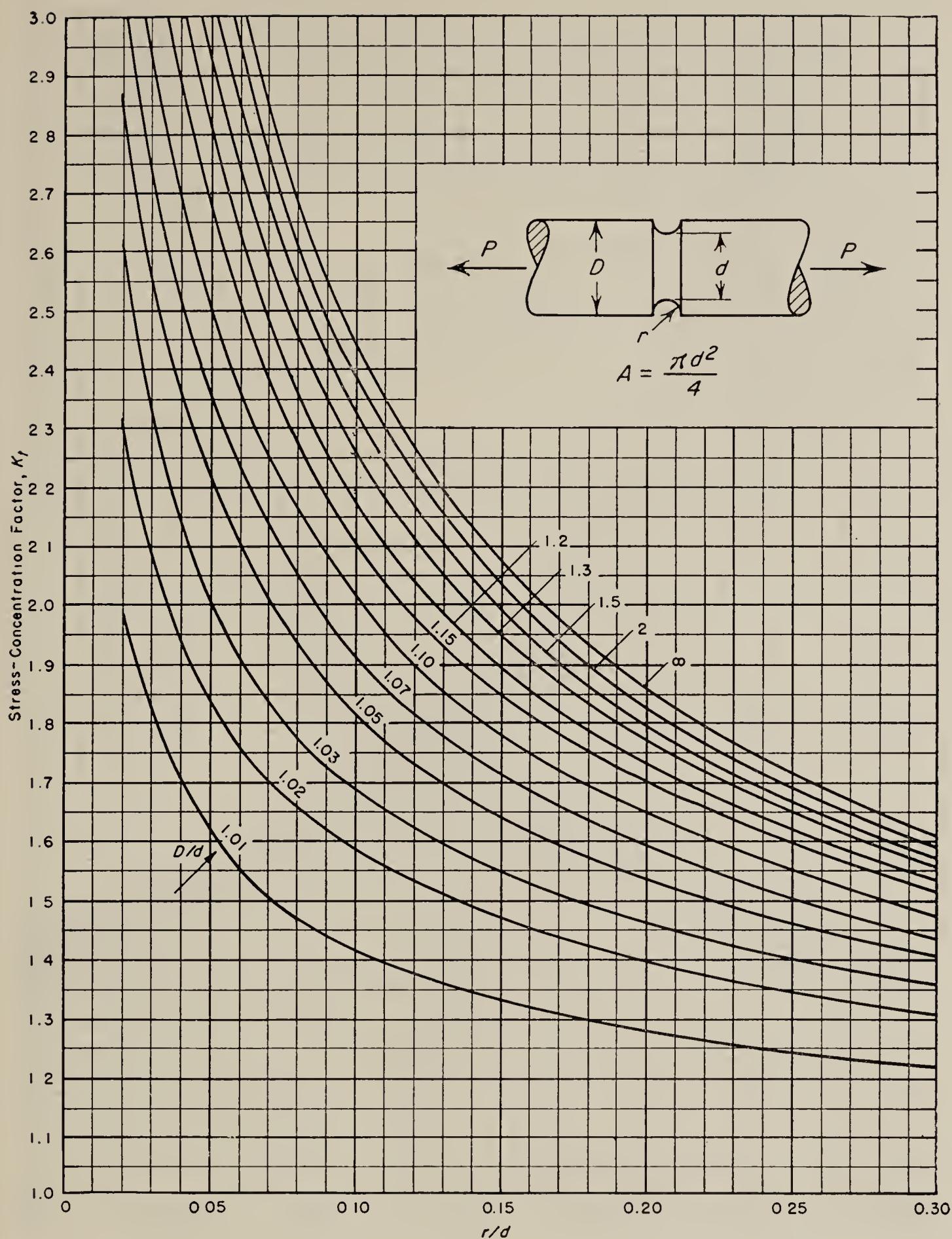


FIG. X-6. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  for a grooved shaft in tension.

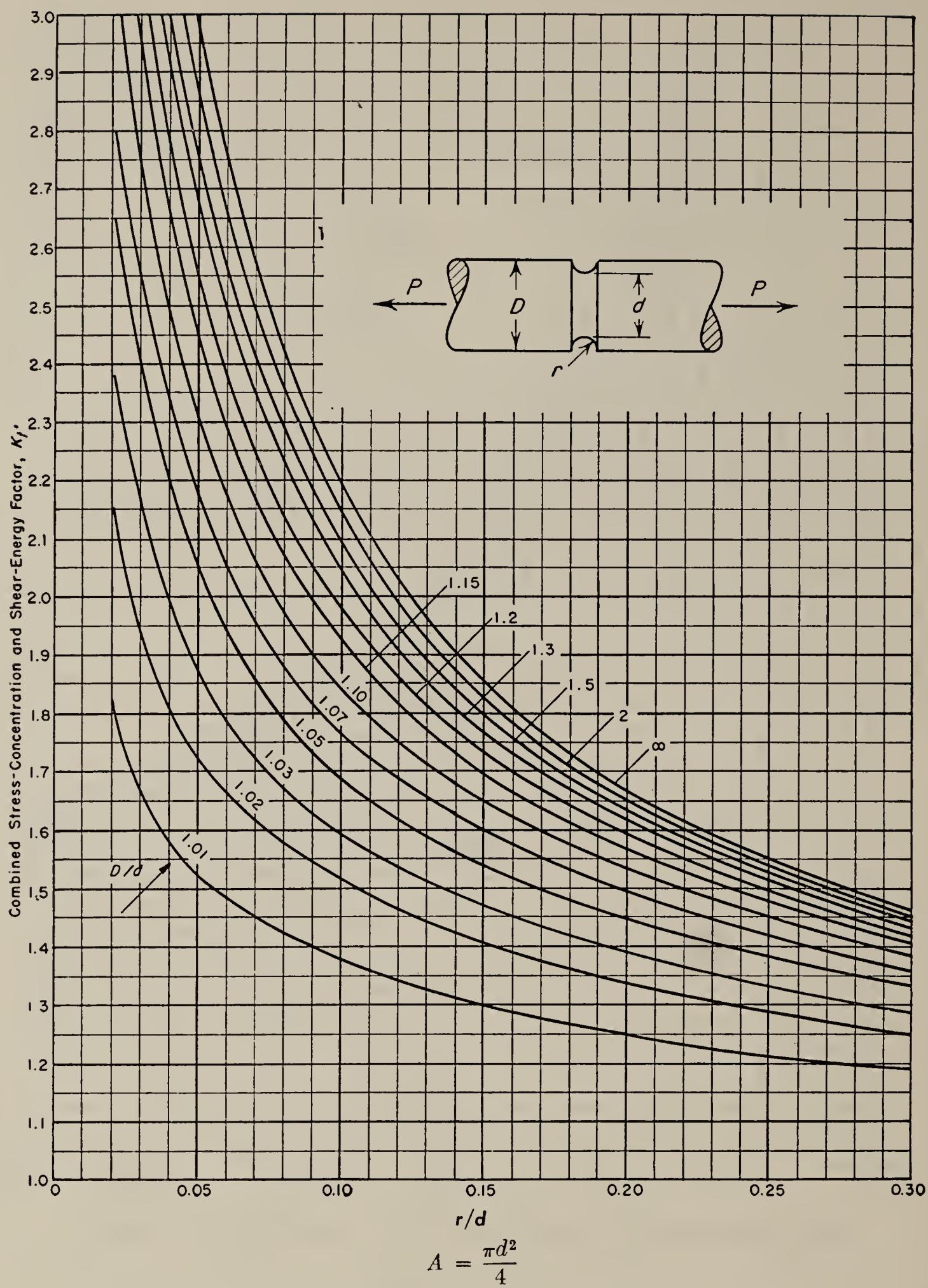


FIG. X-7. Combined factor  $K_t'$  for a grooved shaft in tension.

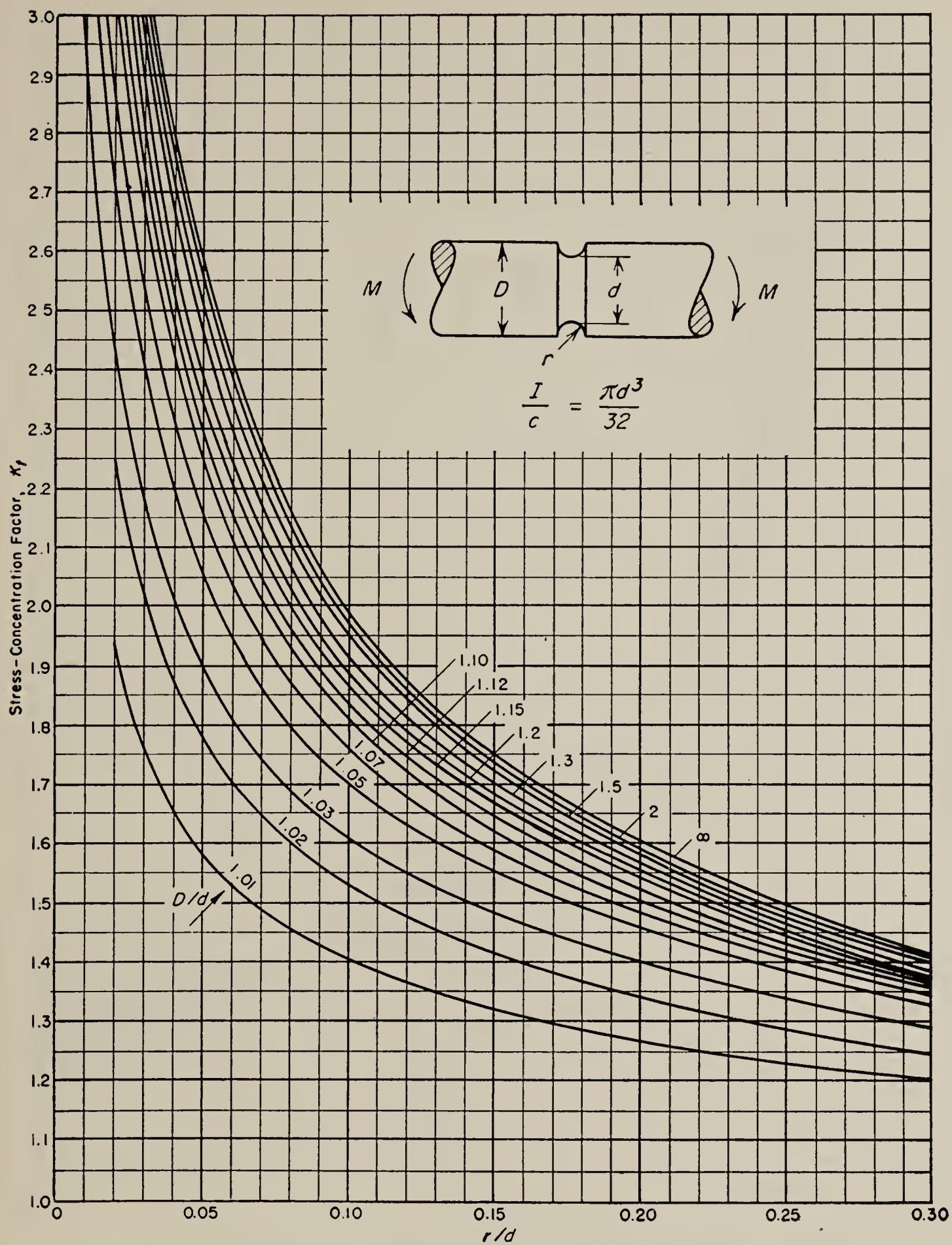


FIG. X-8. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  for a grooved shaft in bending.

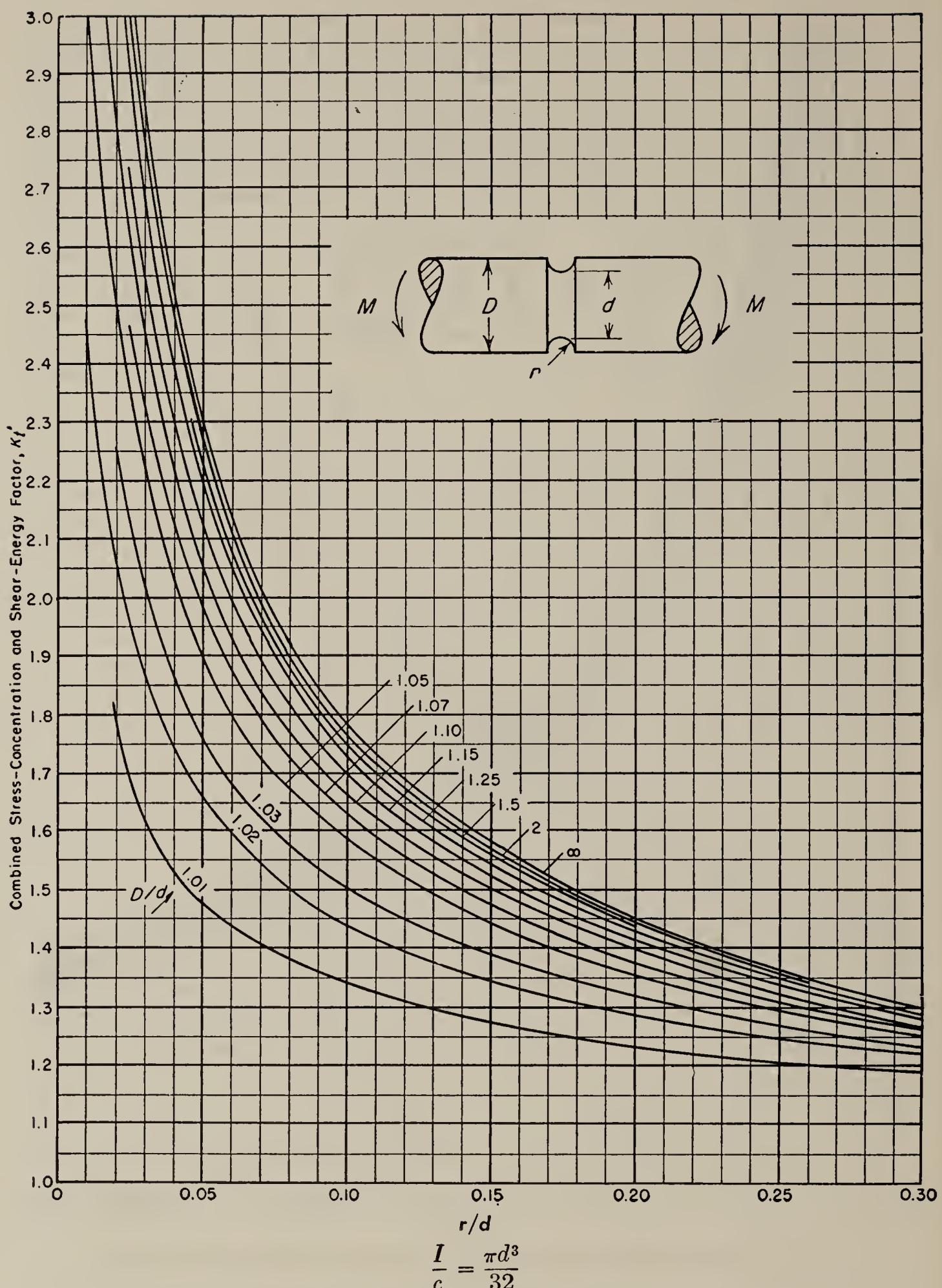


FIG. X-9. Combined factor  $K_t'$  for a grooved shaft in bending.

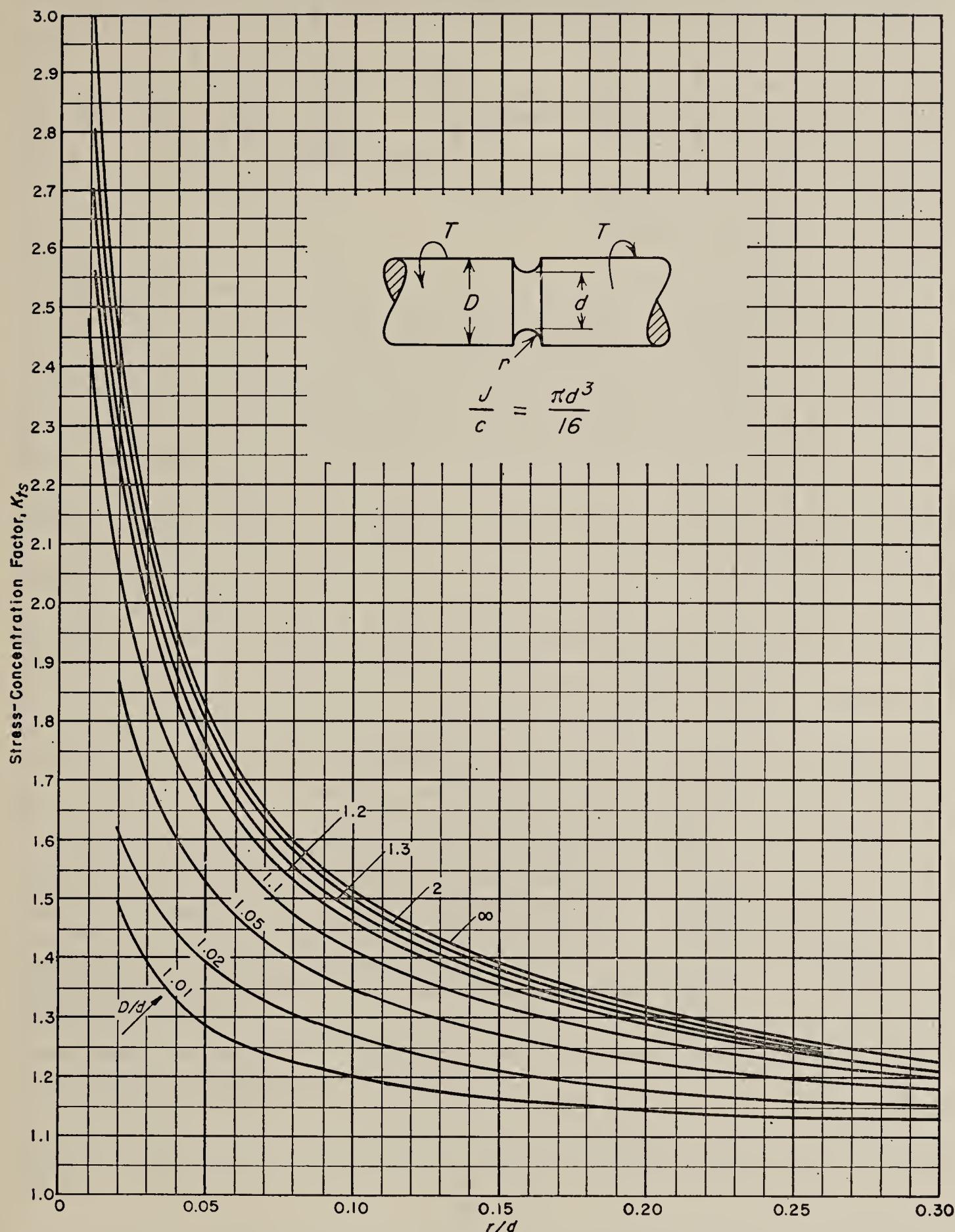


FIG. X-10. Stress-concentration factor  $K_{ts}$  for a grooved shaft in torsion.

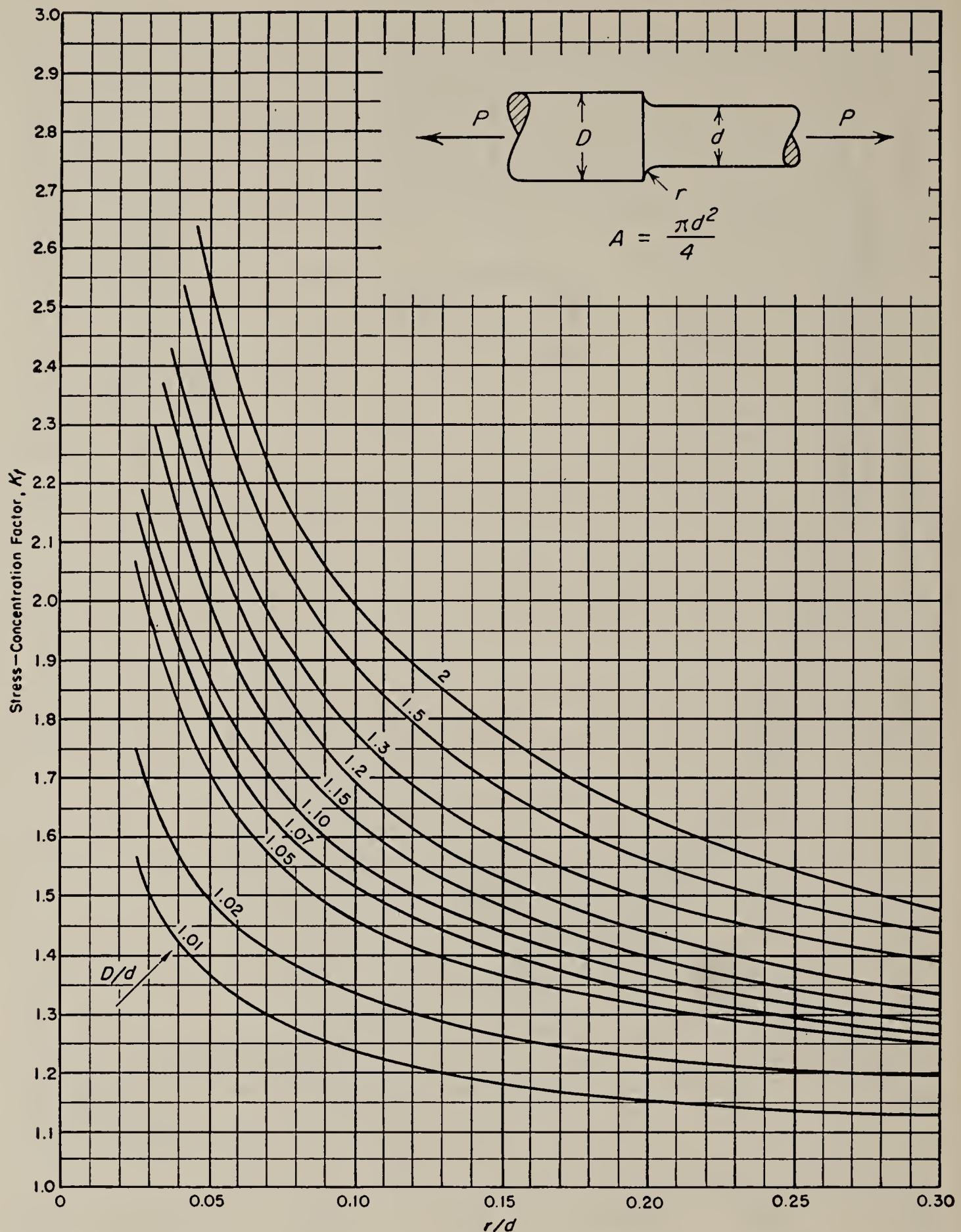


FIG. X-11. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  for a stepped shaft in tension.

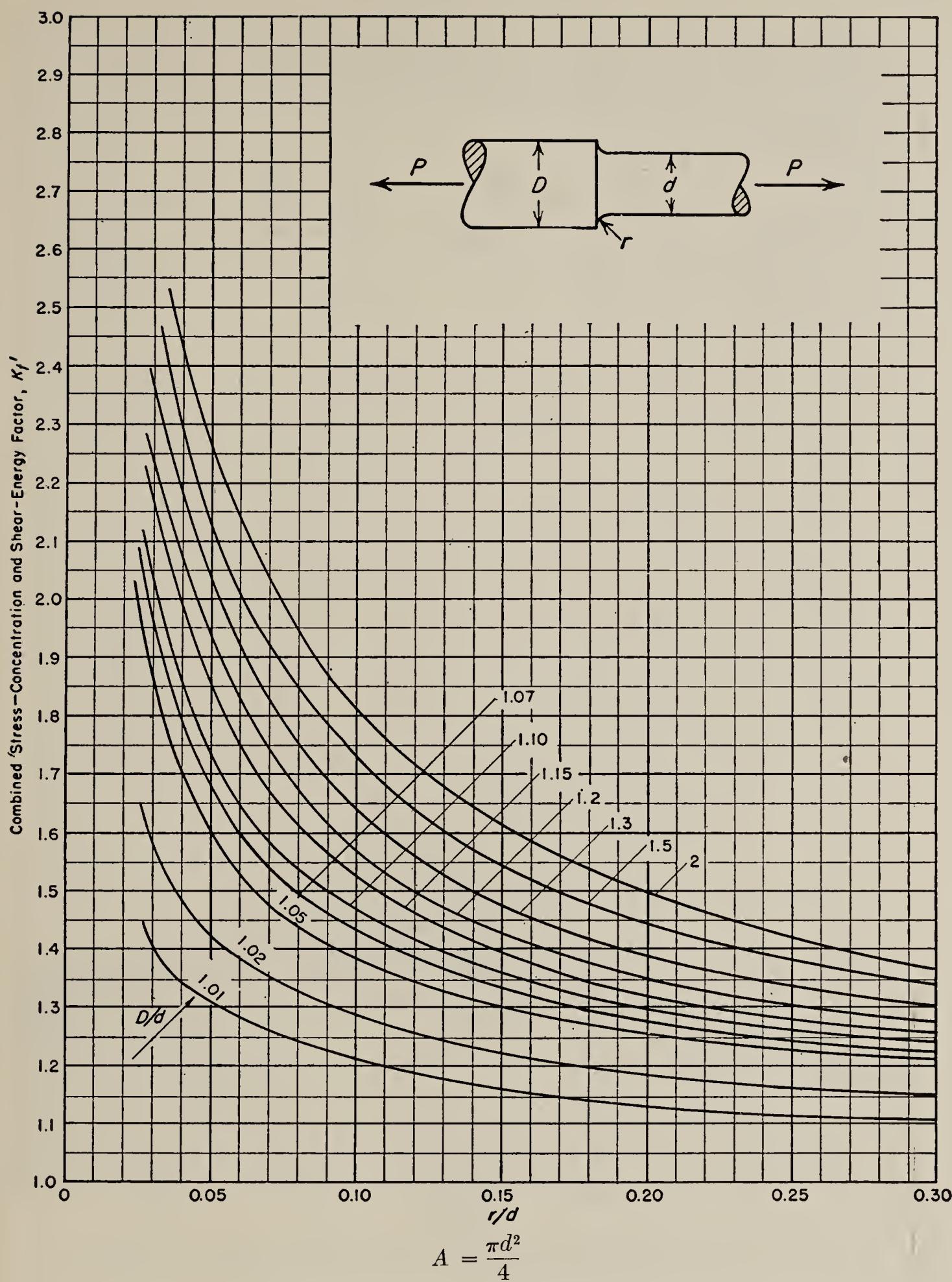


FIG. X-12. Combined factor  $K_t'$  for a stepped shaft in tension.

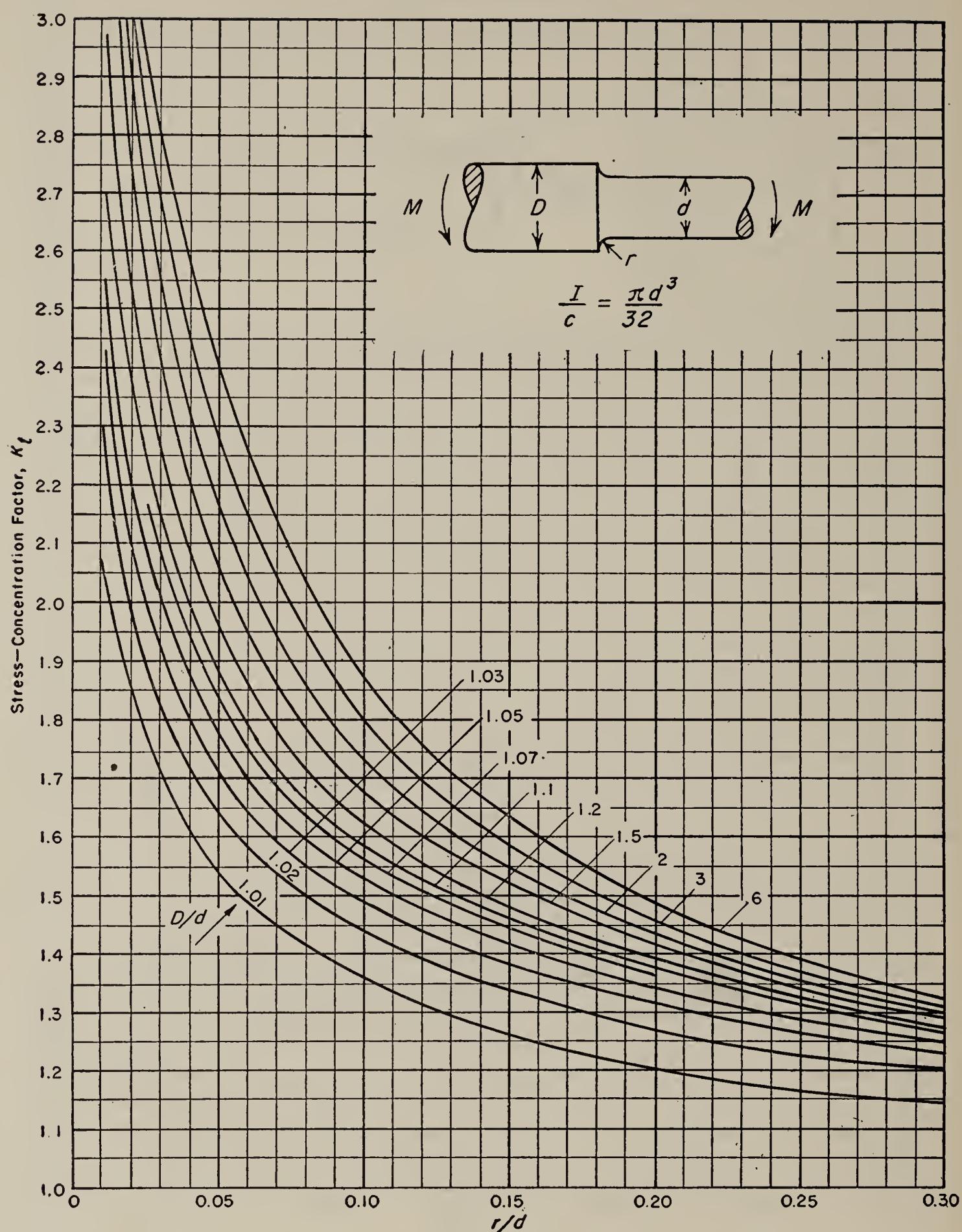
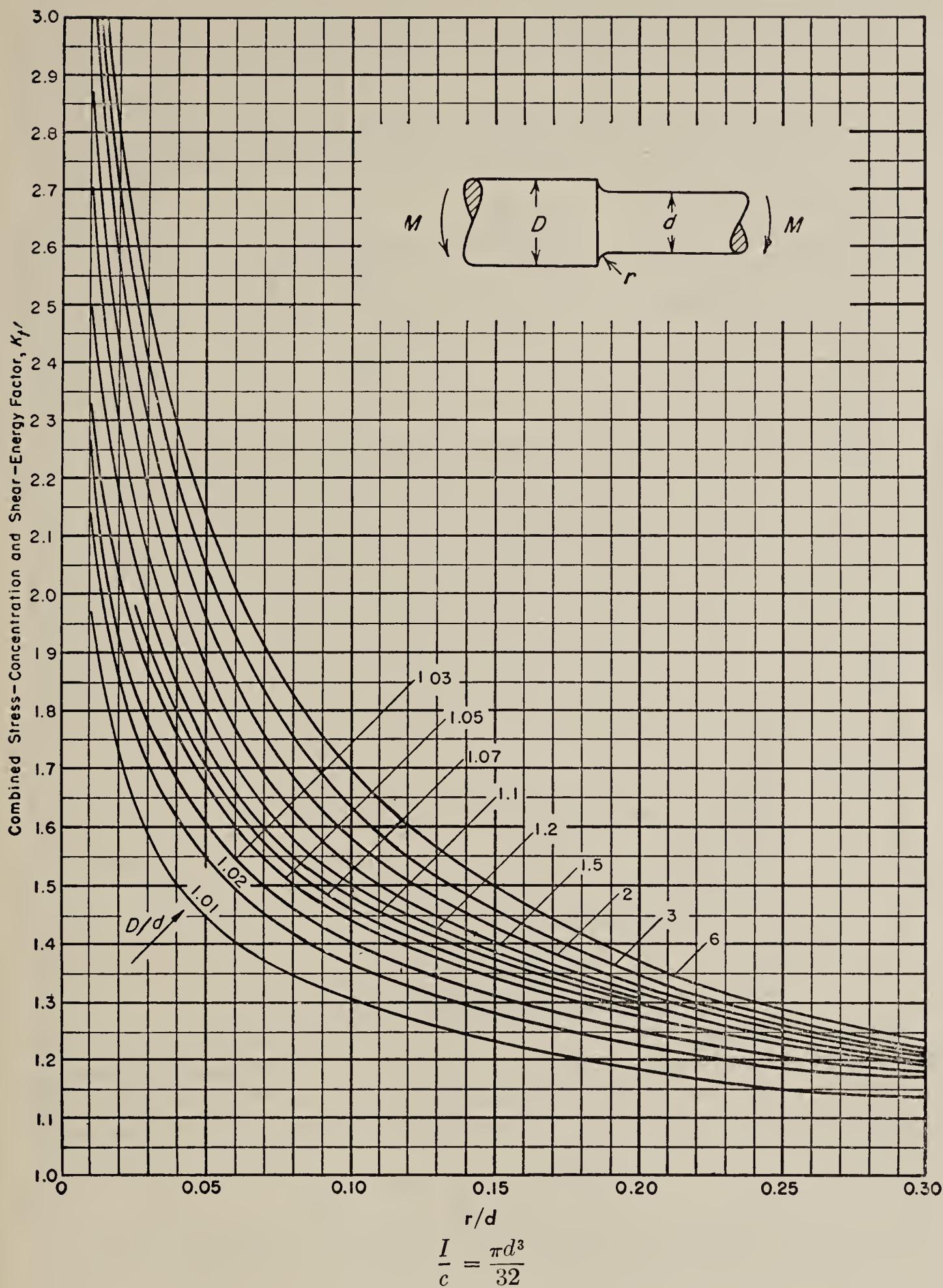


FIG. X-13. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  for a stepped shaft in bending.

FIG. X-14. Combined factor  $K_t'$  for a stepped shaft in bending.

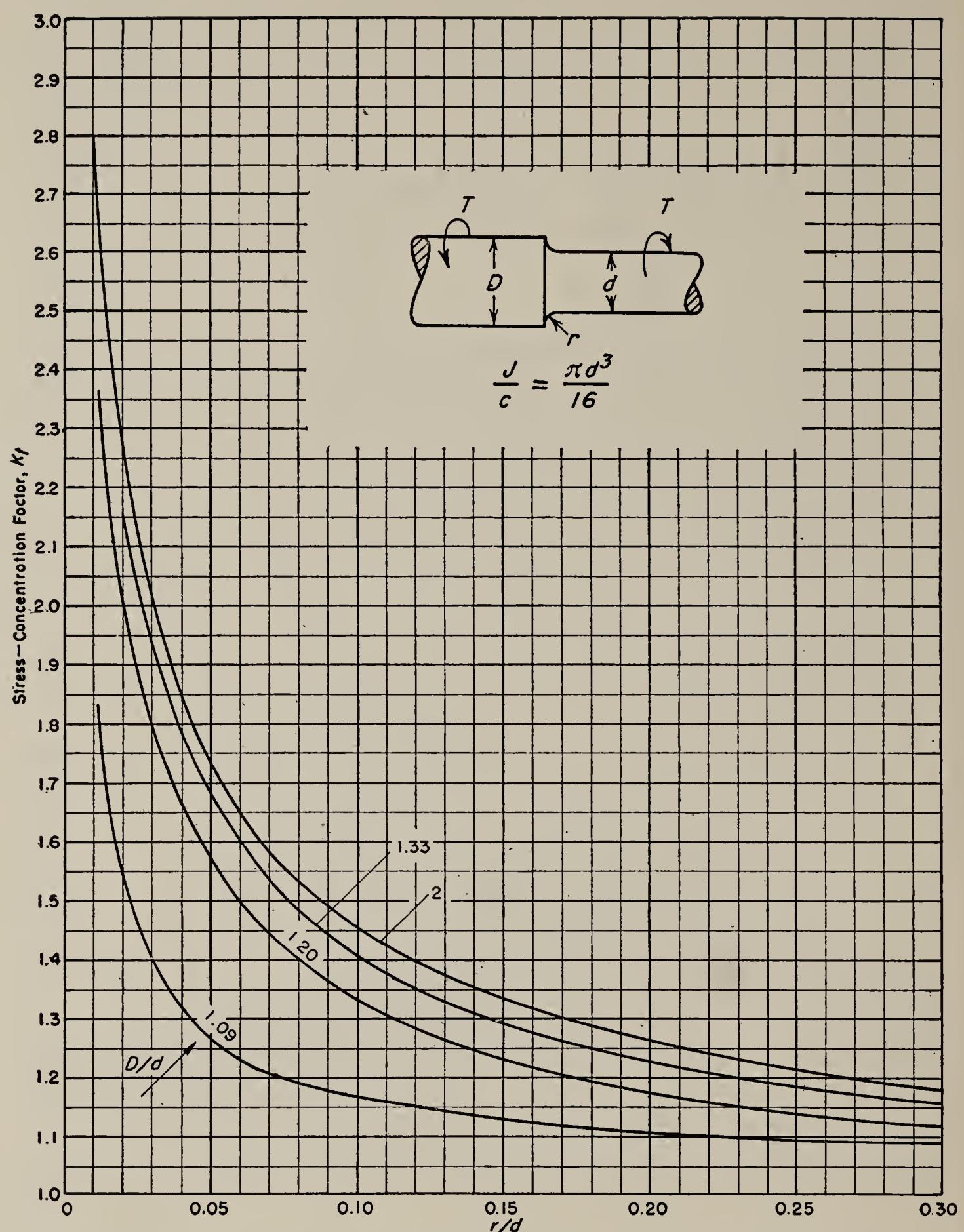


FIG. X-15. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$ , for a stepped shaft in torsion.

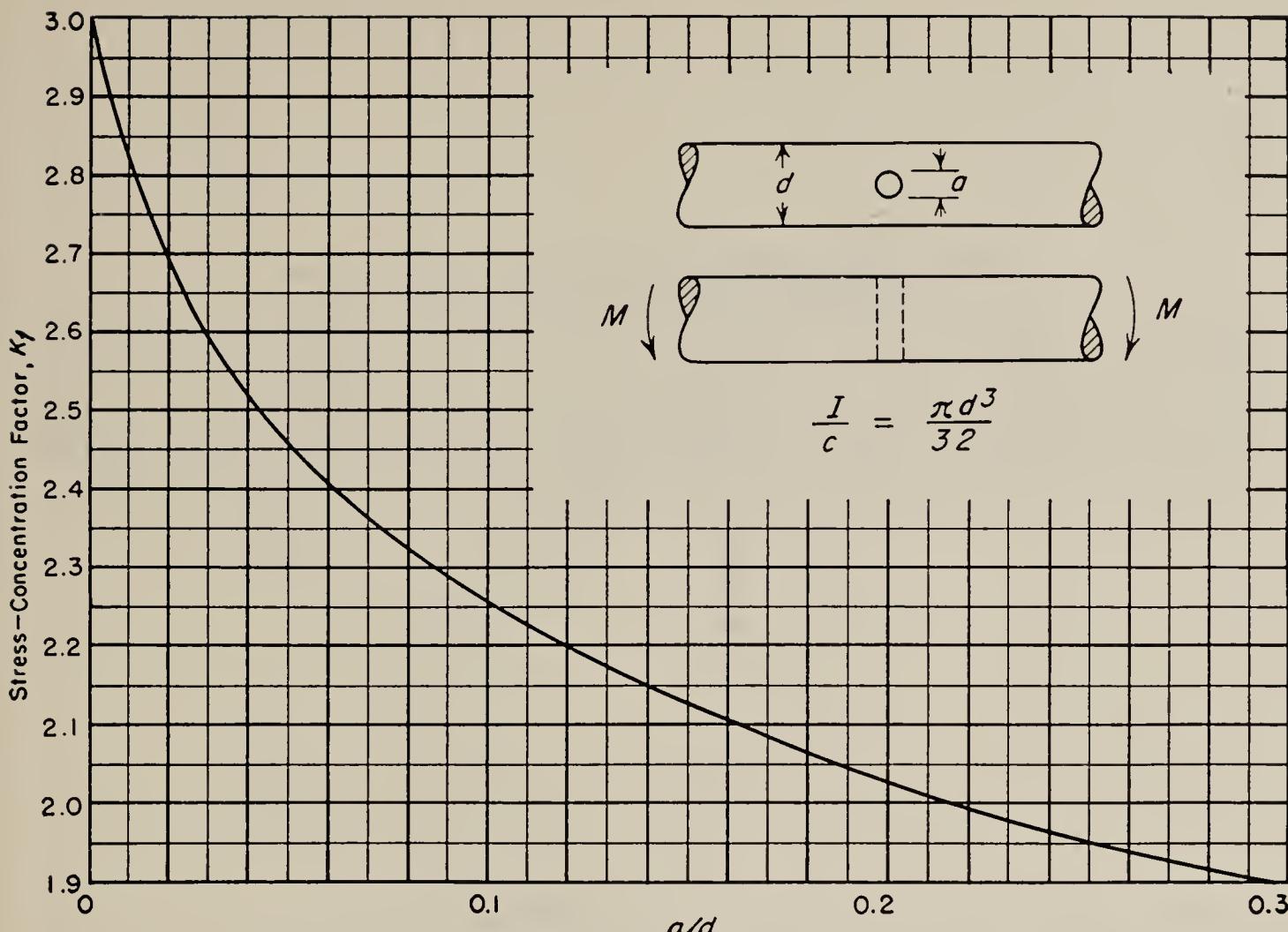


FIG. X-16. Stress-concentration factor  $K_t$  and  $K_{ts}$  for a shaft with transverse hole.

### Appendix XI: $WR^2$ for Rotating Bodies

$W$  = weight of body, lb

$R$  = radius of gyration, ft

$D$  = outer diameter of cylinder, ft

$d$  = inside diameter of hollow cylinder, ft

Steel weighs 0.283 lb per in.<sup>3</sup>

Cast iron weighs 0.260 lb per in.<sup>3</sup>

For rotating solid cylinder,

$$WR^2 = \frac{WD^2}{8}$$

For rotating hollow cylinder,

$$WR^2 = \frac{W(D^2 + d^2)}{8}$$

Equivalent  $WR^2$  referred to shaft at different speed is

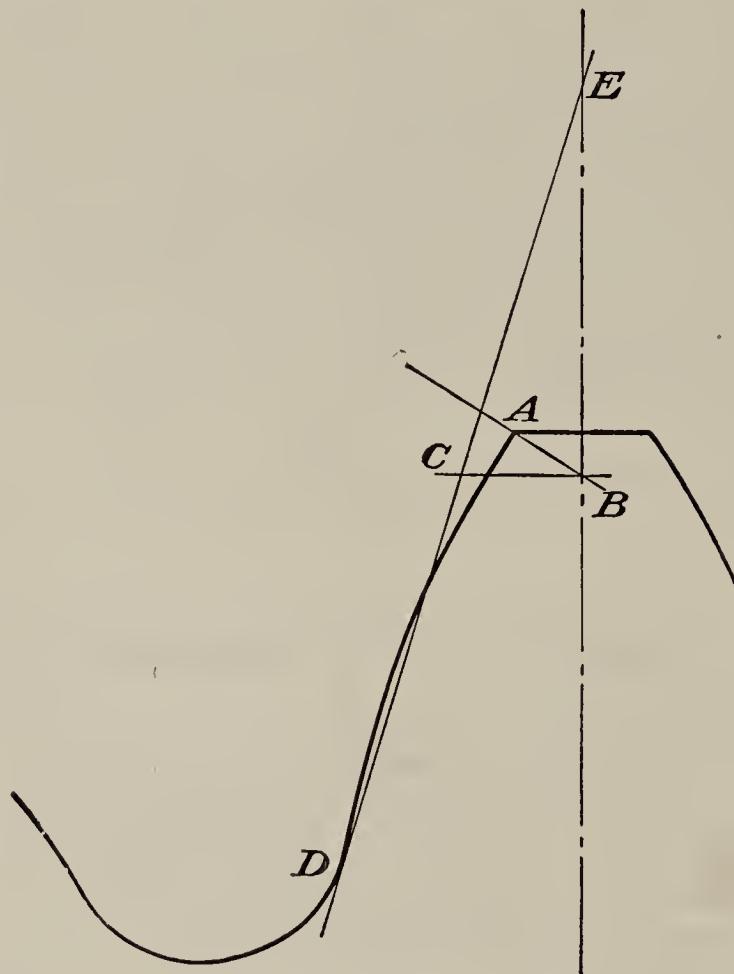
$$(WR^2)_2 = (WR^2)_1 \left[ \frac{(\text{rpm})_1}{(\text{rpm})_2} \right]^2$$

Equivalent  $WR^2$  for mass in translation at velocity (fpm) is

$$WR^2 = W \frac{(\text{fpm})}{2\pi(\text{rpm})}$$

### Appendix XII: Method for Determining Lewis Factors

On a drawing of the tooth, extend the normal to the tooth profile at the corner *A* until it intersects the center line at *B*. Draw *BC* perpendicular to the center line of the tooth. By means of a scale, determine by trial a line tangent to the profile at *D* and such that *DC* equals *CE*. It can be shown then that point *D* locates the weak section of the tooth and the dimensions for determining the Lewis factor may be scaled.\*



\* M. A. Durland, *Machinery*, vol. 29, no. 12, p. 958, August, 1923.

### Appendix XIII: Graphical Integration

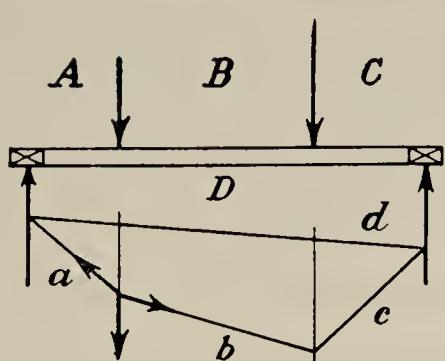


FIG. 1

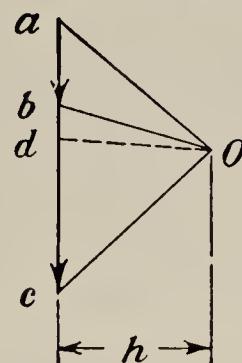


FIG. 2

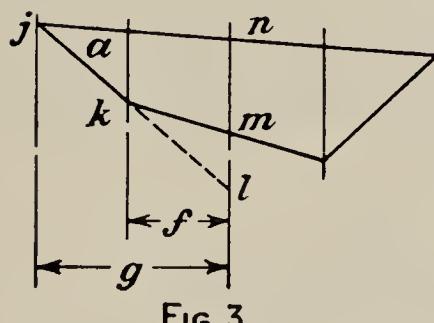


FIG. 3

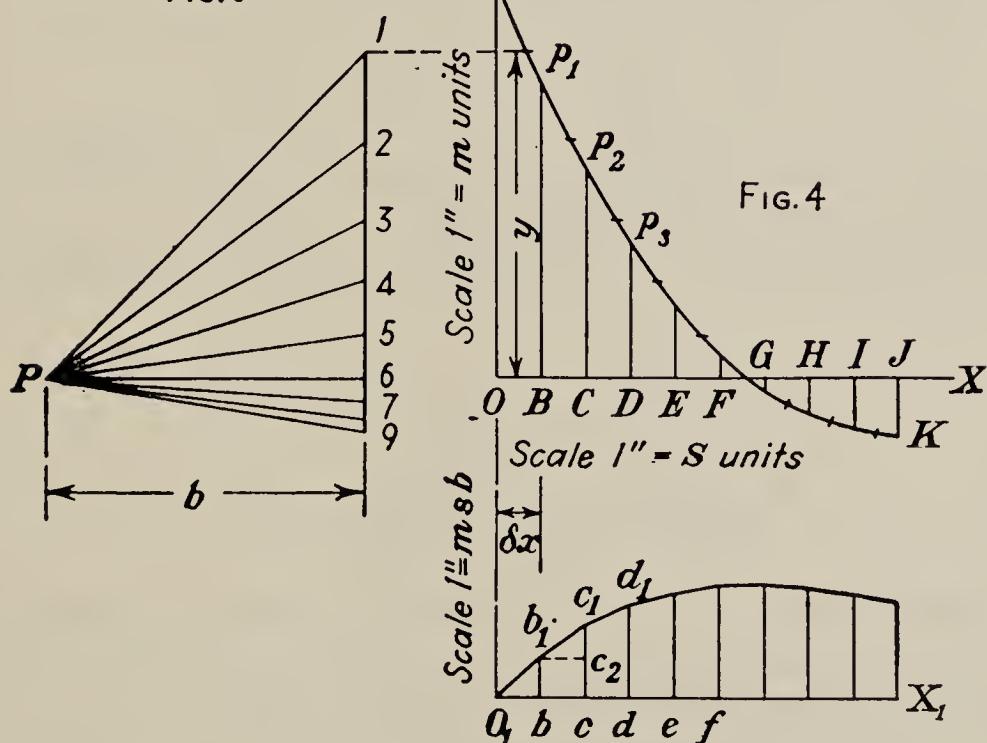


FIG. 4

FIG. 5

FIG. XIII-(1-5). Graphical integration.

**Bending moments.** As an example of the graphical determination of bending moments, assume that the shaft or beam in Fig. XIII-1 is supported on two bearings at its ends and loaded as shown. By placing letters  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$ , the force between  $A$  and  $B$  may be labeled  $ab$ , that between  $B$  and  $C$  may be labeled  $bc$ , the right-hand reaction may be labeled  $cd$ , and the left-hand reaction may be labeled reaction  $da$ . In Fig. XIII-2, the forces  $ab$  and  $bc$  were laid off to a scale, and a pole  $o$  placed to the right of

*ac* at a convenient location. The "rays" *oa*, *ob*, and *oc* were then drawn. The polygon thus formed is a force polygon. In this polygon, the vectors *oa*, *ab*, and *bo* represent forces in equilibrium since they form the sides of a closed polygon. By laying off in Fig. XIII-1 the lines *a* and *b* parallel, respectively, to the rays *oa* and *ob* intersecting the line of action *AB*, these three lines will then represent concurrent forces. The diagram being formed is known as a "funicular polygon" and the lines *a*, *b*, etc., are known as "strings."

Now if the string *b* is extended until it intersects the line of action of *BC*, and through that intersection the string *c* is drawn, the directions of the three concurrent forces, *BC*, *co*, and *ob* will be introduced into the funicular polygon.

So far nothing new has been determined, but if the point where the string *a* intersects the line of action of *DA* be connected with the point where *c* intersects the line of action of *CD*, then the string *d* thus drawn will represent the direction of the force which will be in equilibrium with *DA* and *CD*. In Fig. XIII-2, the ray *od* is drawn parallel to the string *d* and by so doing, the magnitude of the reactions *cd* and *da* are determined graphically.

In the above procedure, the funicular polygon was drawn solely to determine the direction of the string *d*, but as will be shown below, the funicular polygon is the bending-moment diagram.

In Fig. XIII-3 the funicular polygon was redrawn. The bending moment at a section as *nm* is equal to the sum of the moments of the forces to one side or the other of the section. To the left, the moment

$$M = (da)g - (ab)f$$

The triangle *lnj* is similar to *oda* in the force polygon, or

$$\frac{ln}{g} = \frac{da}{h} \quad \text{or} \quad (da)g = (ln)h$$

where *h* is called the "pole distance" and is measured from the line of action of the forces to the pole *o* in the force polygon.

Now, extend the ray *a* until it intersects *nm* at *l*, and from the similar triangles *lkm* and *oab*,

$$\frac{ln}{f} = \frac{ab}{h} \quad \text{or} \quad (ab)f = (ln)h$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} M &= (da)g - (ab)f = (ln)h - (lm)h \\ &= h(ln - lm) = h(mn) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the vertical distance *mn* is a measure of the bending moment at the section of the shaft.

The scale of the bending-moment diagram is *sph*, where

$$\begin{aligned} s &= \text{space scale; 1 in. on drawing} = s \text{ in. on shaft} \\ p &= \text{force scale; 1 in.} = p \text{ lb} \\ h &= \text{pole distance, in.} \end{aligned}$$

**Graphical integration.** Assume that the integral of the curve *AK* in Fig. XIII-4 is to be determined graphically.

Divide the curve into a convenient number of strips *OB*, *BC*, etc. Label the points corresponding to the mean ordinates of the strips *p*<sub>1</sub>, *p*<sub>2</sub>, etc., and project these points horizontally to give the points 1, 2, etc., on a line parallel to the *Y* axis. Choose a

pole  $P$  on  $OX$  extended and draw the rays  $P_1, P_2$ , etc. These rays are the chords of the first-integral curve and may be drawn through the points  $O_1, b_1$ , etc., as shown in Figs. XIII-5.

In Fig. XIII-4, let  $y$  be the mean ordinate of the strip  $OB$  and  $\delta x$  its width so that  $y \delta x$  is closely its area. By construction,

$$\frac{bb_1}{\delta x} = \frac{y}{h} \quad \text{or} \quad y \delta x = h(bb_1)$$

Hence, the ordinate  $bb_1$  is a measure of the area of the original curve to the point  $B$ .

Similarly, it may be shown that the intercept  $c_1c_2$  is a measure of the strip  $BC$ , and when  $c_1c_2$  is added to  $bb_1$ , the ordinate  $cc_1$  is a measure of the area of the original curve to the point  $C$ .

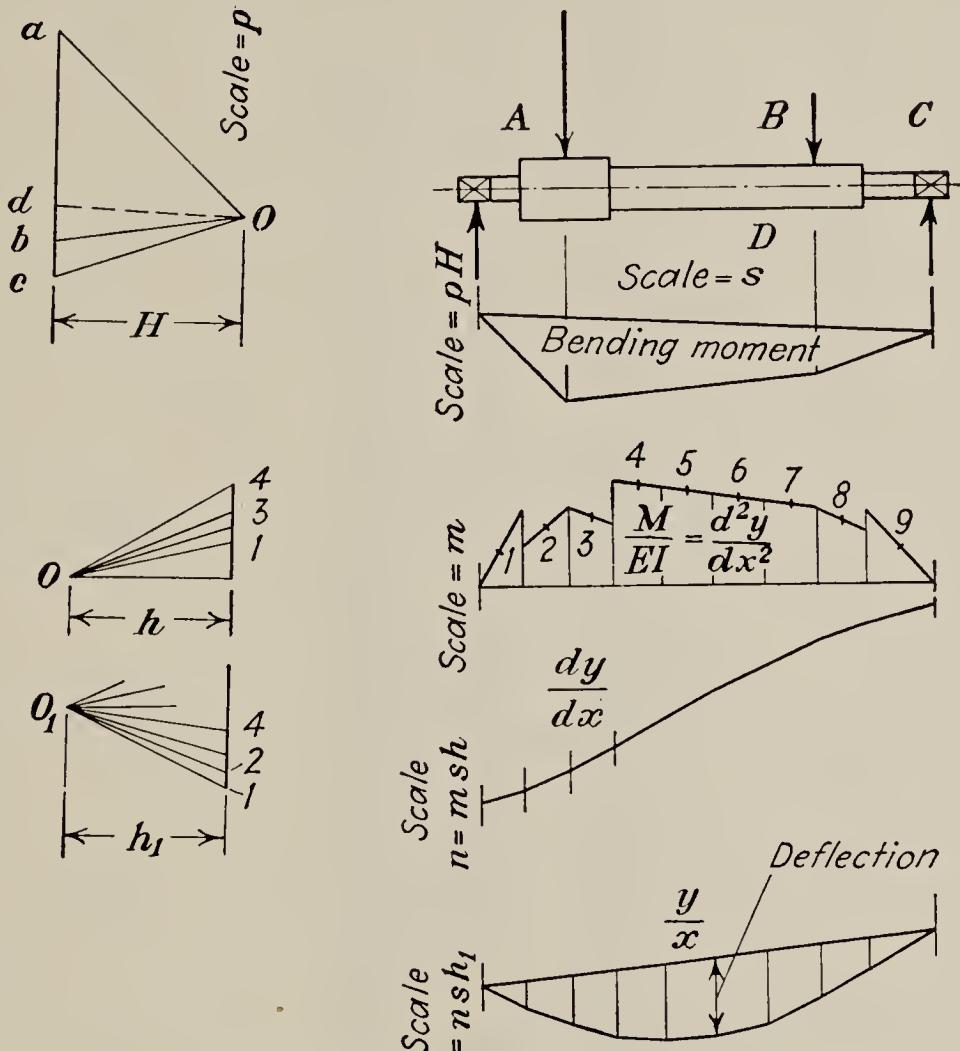


FIG. XIII-6. Deflection of shaft.

**Deflection of shafts.** As shown in Fig. XIII-6, the bending-moment diagram may be determined graphically; then a modified bending-moment diagram may be drawn by dividing the actual bending moment at each section of the beam by the product  $EI$  for that section. The modified bending-moment diagram is  $M/EI$  which equals  $d^2y/dx^2$ , where  $y$  is the deflection of the shaft. By integrating this curve twice, the deflection curve  $y/x$  is determined.

**Appendix XIV: Table of Wire Sizes**

Washburn & Moen wire gauge No.	Fraction of inch	Decimal of inch	Washburn & Moen wire gauge No.	Fraction of inch	Decimal of inch
7-0	$\frac{1}{2}^*$	0.5000		$\frac{3}{32}$	0.09375
		0.490	13		0.092
	$\frac{15}{32}$	0.46875	14		0.080
6-0		0.462	15		0.072
	$\frac{7}{16}$	0.4375	16	$\frac{1}{16}$	0.0625
5-0		0.431	17		0.054
	$\frac{13}{32}$	0.40625	18		0.047
4-0		0.394	19		0.041
	$\frac{3}{8}$	0.3750	20		0.035
3-0		0.3629	21		0.032
	$\frac{11}{32}$	0.34375		$\frac{1}{32}$	0.03125
2-0		0.331	22		0.0286
	$\frac{5}{16}$	0.3125	23		0.0258
0		0.307	24		0.0230
1		0.283	25		0.0204
	$\frac{9}{32}$	0.28125	26		0.0181
2		0.263	27		0.0173
	$\frac{1}{4}$	0.250	28		0.0162
3		0.244		$\frac{1}{64}$	0.0156
4		0.225	29		0.0150
	$\frac{7}{32}$	0.21875	30		0.0140
5		0.207	31		0.0132
6		0.192	32		0.0128
	$\frac{3}{16}$	0.1875	33		0.0118
7		0.177	34		0.0104
8		0.162	35		0.0095
	$\frac{5}{32}$	0.15625	36		0.009
9		0.148	37		0.0085
10		0.135	38		0.008
	$\frac{1}{8}$	0.125	39		0.0075
11		0.120	40		0.007
12		0.105	41		0.0066
			42		0.0062

\* Between  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 1 in., wire sizes vary by  $\frac{1}{32}$ -in. intervals.

**Appendix XV: Decimal Equivalents of Fractions**  
 (Advancing by sixty-fourths)

$\frac{1}{64}$		= 0.015625	$\frac{33}{64}$		= 0.515625
	$\frac{1}{32}$	= 0.03125		$\frac{17}{32}$	= 0.53125
$\frac{3}{64}$		= 0.046875	$\frac{35}{64}$		= 0.546875
	$\frac{1}{16}$	= 0.0625		$\frac{9}{16}$	= 0.5625
$\frac{5}{64}$		= 0.078125	$\frac{37}{64}$		= 0.578125
	$\frac{3}{32}$	= 0.09375		$\frac{19}{32}$	= 0.59375
$\frac{7}{64}$		= 0.109375	$\frac{39}{64}$		= 0.609375
	$\frac{1}{8}$	= 0.125		$\frac{5}{8}$	= 0.625
$\frac{9}{64}$		= 0.140625	$\frac{41}{64}$		= 0.640625
	$\frac{5}{32}$	= 0.15625		$\frac{21}{32}$	= 0.65625
$\frac{11}{64}$		= 0.171875	$\frac{43}{64}$		= 0.671875
	$\frac{3}{16}$	= 0.1875		$\frac{11}{16}$	= 0.6875
$\frac{13}{64}$		= 0.203125	$\frac{45}{64}$		= 0.703125
	$\frac{7}{32}$	= 0.21875		$\frac{23}{32}$	= 0.71875
$\frac{15}{64}$		= 0.234375	$\frac{47}{64}$		= 0.734375
	$\frac{1}{4}$	= 0.25		$\frac{3}{4}$	= 0.75
$\frac{17}{64}$		= 0.265625	$\frac{49}{64}$		= 0.765625
	$\frac{9}{32}$	= 0.28125		$\frac{25}{32}$	= 0.78125
$\frac{19}{64}$		= 0.296875	$\frac{51}{64}$		= 0.796875
	$\frac{5}{16}$	= 0.3125		$\frac{13}{16}$	= 0.8125
$\frac{21}{64}$		= 0.328125	$\frac{53}{64}$		= 0.828125
	$\frac{11}{32}$	= 0.34375		$\frac{27}{32}$	= 0.84375
$\frac{23}{64}$		= 0.359375	$\frac{55}{64}$		= 0.859375
	$\frac{3}{8}$	= 0.375		$\frac{7}{8}$	= 0.875
$\frac{25}{64}$		= 0.390625	$\frac{57}{64}$		= 0.890625
	$\frac{13}{32}$	= 0.40625		$\frac{29}{32}$	= 0.90625
$\frac{27}{64}$		= 0.421875	$\frac{59}{64}$		= 0.921875
	$\frac{7}{16}$	= 0.4375		$\frac{15}{16}$	= 0.9375
$\frac{29}{64}$		= 0.453125	$\frac{61}{64}$		= 0.953125
	$\frac{15}{32}$	= 0.46875		$\frac{31}{32}$	= 0.96875
$\frac{31}{64}$		= 0.484375	$\frac{63}{64}$		= 0.984375
	$\frac{1}{2}$	= 0.50			



## QUESTIONS AND PROBLEMS

In many of the following problems, assumptions are stated which would ordinarily be made by the designer. They are given here in order to limit the number of solutions for convenience in checking results. The student should consider whether the assumptions are reasonable, and he may wish to make other solutions with altered assumptions.

The majority of the problems are of the design type (not analysis) with data taken from actual installations. In some cases over-all dimensions, capacities, and weights are stated which may not have direct use in the solution of the problem; in these cases they are included to give the student a comprehension of the size of the unit or component he is designing.

### Chapter 2. Machine-design Computations

**2-1.** Determine the relative error in percentage due to an absolute error of 1 oz in weighing (a) 1 lb, (b)  $7\frac{1}{2}$  lb, and (c) 10 tons.

**2-2.** A rectangular bulkhead is found by measurement to be 12 ft wide and 8 ft high with errors not exceeding 1 in. Determine the possible relative error in percentage in the area of the bulkhead.

**2-3.** The seconds pendulum of a clock expands 0.05 per cent per degree centigrade. How many seconds would the clock lose per day if the temperature is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  C above that for which the pendulum beats true seconds?

NOTE:

$$t = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L}{g}}$$

**2-4.** A straight cantilever is made of a bar with rectangular section. If the load on the beam is increased 5 per cent, and if it is desired that the deflection of the beam remains unchanged, determine the required percentage change in (a) the width of the beam, or (b) the depth of the beam.

**2-5.** The natural frequency of vibration of a mass on the end of a cantilever is  $f_n = 188 \sqrt{1/\delta}$ , where  $\delta = (PL^3/3EI)$ . If the length of the cantilever  $L$  is shortened by 1 per cent, what will be the percentage of change in the natural frequency?

**2-6.** The indicated horsepower of an engine is given by the expression

$$Ihp = \frac{PLAN}{33,000}$$

Assume that the approximate values of the quantities are as follows:

$P$  = mean effective pressure = 50 psi

$L$  = length of stroke = 2 ft

$A$  = area of piston, diameter  $D$  = 16 in.

$N$  = working strokes per minute = 100

How precisely should  $P$ ,  $L$ ,  $D$ , and  $N$  be determined in order that the computed horsepower may be reliable to 2 per cent?

### Chapter 3. Loading, Induced Stresses, and Failure

**3-1.** A machine member is subjected to an impact load  $P$  produced by a weight  $W$  falling through a height  $h$  in. and striking the member so that it is stressed within the elastic limit of the material. Derive an equation for the impact load  $P$  in terms of  $W$ ,  $h$ , and the flexibility constant  $C$  equal to pounds per inch of deflection,  $(P/\delta)$ . The final equation should be reduced to its simplest terms.

**3-2.** A 12-in. steel I beam resting on supports 15 ft apart is impulsively loaded by a weight of 1,000 lb falling through a height of  $h$  in. and striking the beam at its midpoint. The moment of inertia  $I$  for the beam section is 246 in.<sup>4</sup> Assuming that the supports are rigid, determine the value of  $h$  for a maximum induced stress in the beam equal to 20,000 psi.

**3-3.** Determine the maximum bending stress in the cast-iron beam with a hollow section shown in the figure.  $F_1 = 2,000$  lb, and  $F_2 = 3,000$  lb.

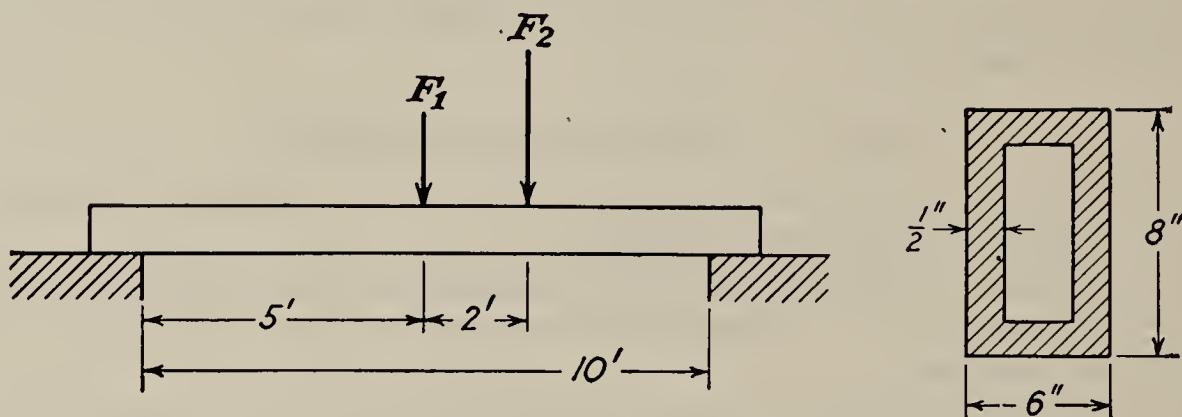


FIG. P 3-3.

**3-4.** The spindle shown in the sketch is used to connect the brake shoe of an industrial spring-set brake to the brake arm. The loads  $P$  are each equal to 825 lb. Assuming an allowable stress equal to 17,500 psi, determine the diameter of the spindle that you would recommend.

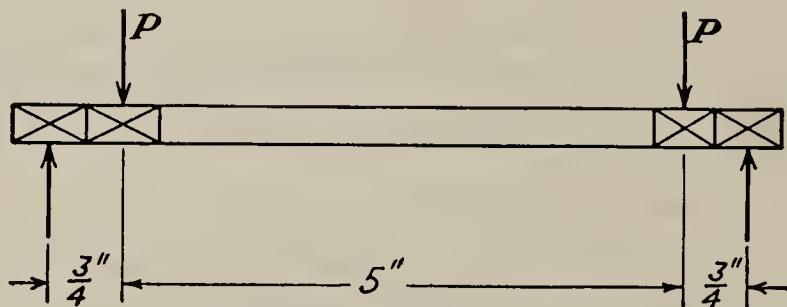


FIG. P 3-4.

**3-5.** A simply supported steel beam, rectangular in section and 8 ft long, is to carry a concentrated load of 4,000 lb at a point 3 ft from one end. The depth of the section is to be twice the width. Using an allowable working stress in tension and compression of 10,000 psi, determine the recommended dimensions of the section.

**3-6.** A hollow nickel-steel shaft, whose outside diameter is twice the inside diameter, is to transmit 2,000 hp at 220 rpm. The shaft is subjected essentially to torsion. (a) Assuming an allowable stress of 32,500 psi, determine the size of hollow shaft required. (b) Determine the size of solid shaft for the above conditions, using the allowable stress as 25,000 psi. (c) Determine the percentage of saving in weight of the hollow shaft over the solid one.

**3-7.** A standard railway-car axle carries a total load of 15,000 lb. On account of the rounding of curves and swaying of the car, it may be assumed that one bearing

can take  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the load. Draw the bending-moment diagram, and determine the maximum stress in the axle.

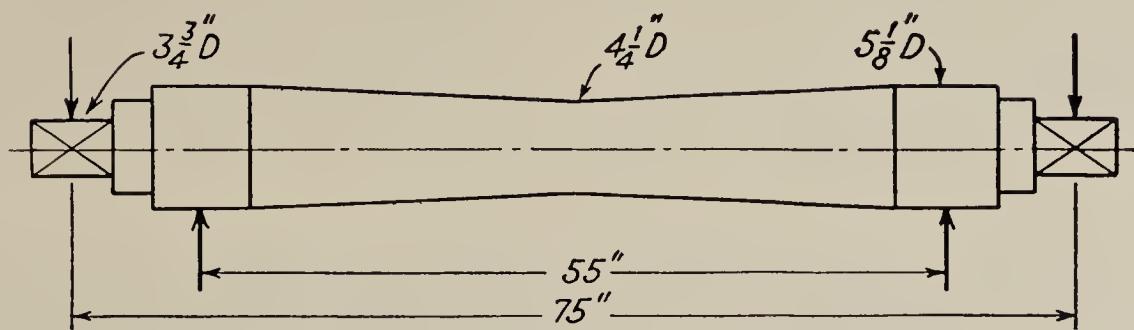


FIG. P 3-7.

- 3-8.** The load  $P$  on the C clamp shown in the sketch is 5,000 lb. Assuming that the clamp is made of steel casting,  $h = 2b$ , and  $e = 6$  in., and that there is an allowable stress of 14,000 psi, determine the recommended dimensions  $b$  and  $h$ .

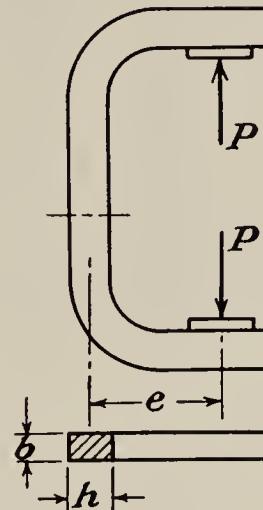


FIG. P 3-8.

- 3-9.** A steel link, as shown at (a), has a cross section  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. square. It is necessary to replace this link by an offset one to provide clearance, as shown at (b).

Assuming the depth of the replacement link  $h = 2$  in., determine the width required so that the strength of the offset link will be equal to that of the straight link.

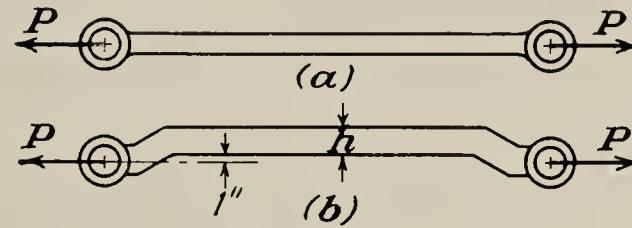


FIG. P 3-9.

- 3-10.** A 28-ft lifeboat to carry 50 persons is supported from two davits. The weight of the boat fully equipped is 3,000 lb and an estimate of the weight of the occupants is 7,000 lb. Assuming that the overhang  $L = 76$  in. and that the davits share the load equally, determine the diameter  $d$  for an allowable nominal stress of 15,000 psi.

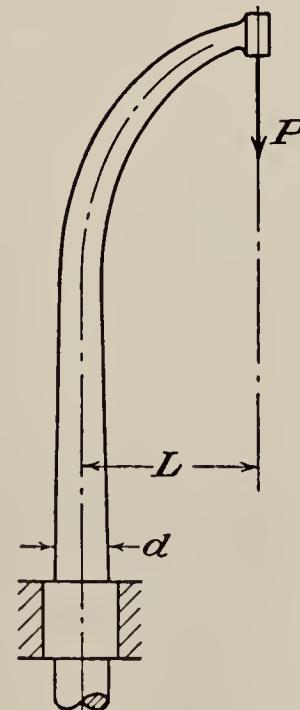


FIG. P 3-10.

## Chapter 4. Stress Concentration in Machine Members

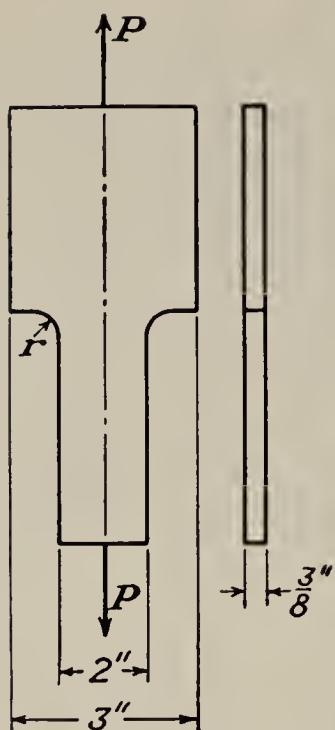


FIG. P 4-1.

**4-1.** A bar as shown in the sketch carries an axial load  $P = 6,500$  lb. Determine the following: (a) the maximum nominal stress in the bar; (b) the maximum stress in the bar for the following fillet radii  $r$ :  $\frac{1}{2}$  in.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in.,  $\frac{1}{8}$  in.

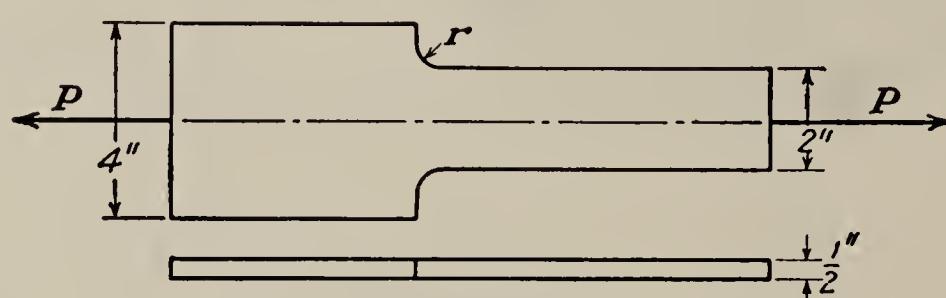


FIG. P 4-2.

**4-3.** A stepped shaft of circular cross section carries a load  $P = 2,500$  lb and is supported as shown in the sketch. Determine (a) the maximum nominal stress in the shaft and (b) the maximum stress in the shaft.

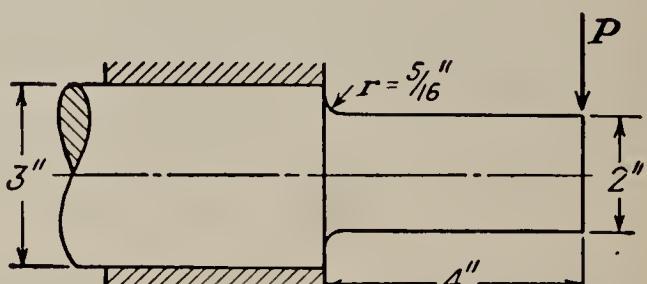


FIG. P 4-3.

**4-4.** A flat bar as shown in the sketch is subjected to an axial tensile load  $P$  equal to 50 tons. Assuming that the stress in the bar is limited to 30,000 psi, determine the thickness  $t$  required.

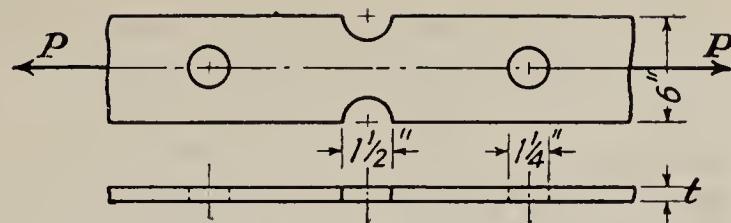


FIG. P 4-4.

**4-5.** A shaft transmitting 50 hp at 870 rpm rests in a bearing as shown in the sketch and has attached to it a pinion 3 in. in pitch diameter. The shaft fillet radius  $r = \frac{1}{8}$  in. Assuming that the shaft is rigidly supported by the bearing and that the tooth load is uniformly distributed over the face of the gear, determine the following: (a) the torsional moment in inch-pounds transmitted by the shaft; (b) the maximum shearing stress in the shaft due to torsion; (c) the maximum bending stress in the shaft due to bending.

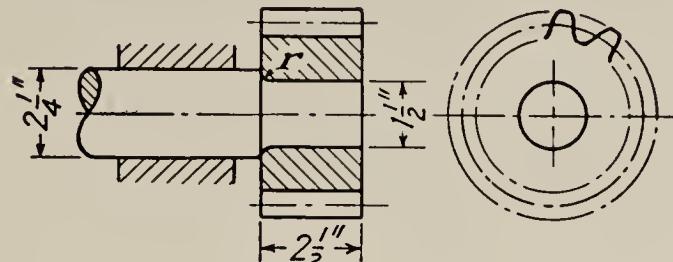


FIG. P 4-5.

**4-6.** The spindle shown in the sketch is part of an industrial brake and is loaded as indicated. Each load  $P = 825$  lb and is applied at the mid-point of its bearing area as shown.

Assuming that  $d_1 = \frac{7}{8}$  in. and that  $d_2 = \frac{5}{8}$  in., determine the radius of fillet  $r$  required in order that the maximum stress in the part of the spindle of length equal to  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. will not exceed the maximum stress in the part of diameter  $d_1$ .

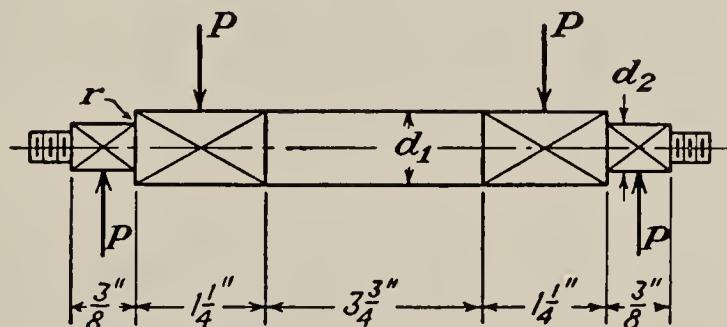


FIG. P 4-6.

**4-7.** A tension member, as shown at (a), supports an axial load equal to  $P$  lb. It is necessary to replace this member by one having a  $\frac{5}{8}$ -in. hole, as shown at (b). Assuming that the width of the replacement member is equal to 2 in., determine the thickness  $t$  and the fillet radius so that the maximum stress will not exceed that in (a).

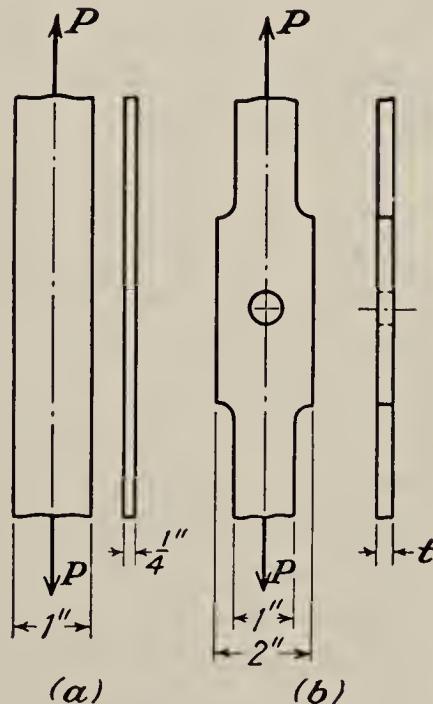


FIG. P 4-7.

**4-8.** A  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. bolt with NF threads, as shown in the sketch, is subjected to shock loading in tension. The diameter of the body of the bolt in (a) is  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. and in (b) is 0.435 in. The maximum stress in the bolt is equal to the stress at the root diameter multiplied by the stress-concentration factor  $k$  shown in the sketch.

Determine the percentage of improvement in energy-absorbing capacity for the bolt in (b) over that in (a), assuming that the maximum stress of both bolts is of the same value, that the material of the bolts is steel, and that the energy is absorbed in the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -in. portion of the bolts.

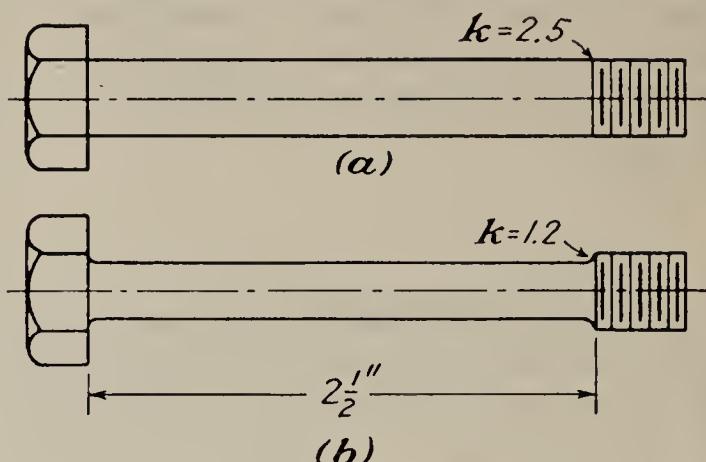


FIG. P 4-8.

**4-9.** The spindle in the sketch is repeatedly loaded by a weight  $W = 600$  lb which falls through a distance equivalent to  $h = 0.05$  in. The length  $L = 5$  in. The material of the spindle is SAE 2345 nickel steel.

Assuming that the support for the spindle is rigid, determine the maximum stress induced in the spindle.

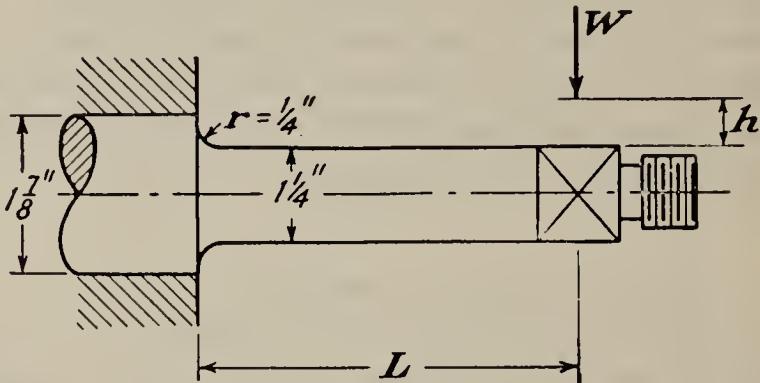


FIG. P 4-9.

**4-10.** The cutter bar of a hand-operated embosser shown in the sketch is operated by pressing at C. The cutting edge is AB. The bar is made of hardened steel and broke along section BD after about 100 operations. What do you feel was the cause of the fracture and how could the part be improved? Note that the sharp corner near B was produced by a bevel-edge grinding wheel.

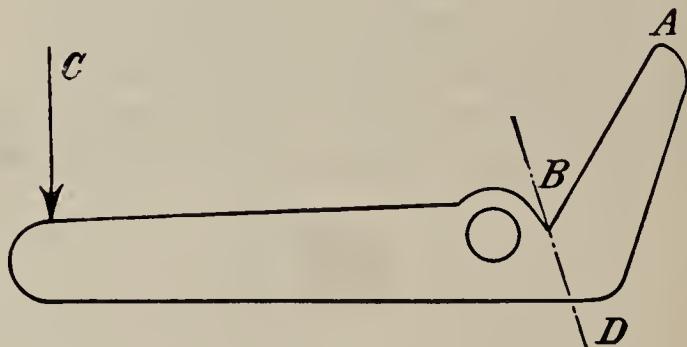


FIG. P 4-10.

**4-11.** A business machine has 9,999 punchings in its mechanism, as the one shown in Fig. P 4-11. A part slides along AB and comes in contact with the cheek BC, thus producing an impact load  $P$ . The corner at B was made square to accommodate the sliding part which cannot be rounded so that the punching has a very small radius at B. Trouble developed when the nose broke off owing to a fatigue crack originating at B.

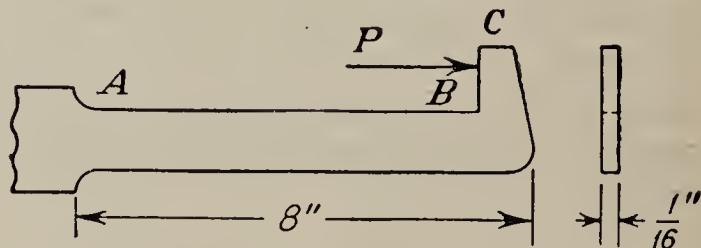


FIG. P 4-11.

Assuming that the material (SAE 1025) and the outline dimensions cannot be changed, what is your recommendation for improving the design? What tooling changes would be required?

**4-12.** In a card-notching machine, the cutter is made by stamping a steel plate, as shown in the sketch. The cutter is bent upward (before heat-treatment) as shown, the card inserted at *A*, and the free end of the cutter is pressed down by the ram, thereby cutting the notch in the edge of the card.

Allowing a stress-concentration factor at the fillets at the end of the slots equal to 1.3, determine the minimum length *L* to limit the bending stress to 20,000 psi. The cards are 0.015 in. thick, and to notch the card the deflection of the cutter at *A* is 0.020 in. The plate thickness *t* is  $\frac{1}{3}$  in.

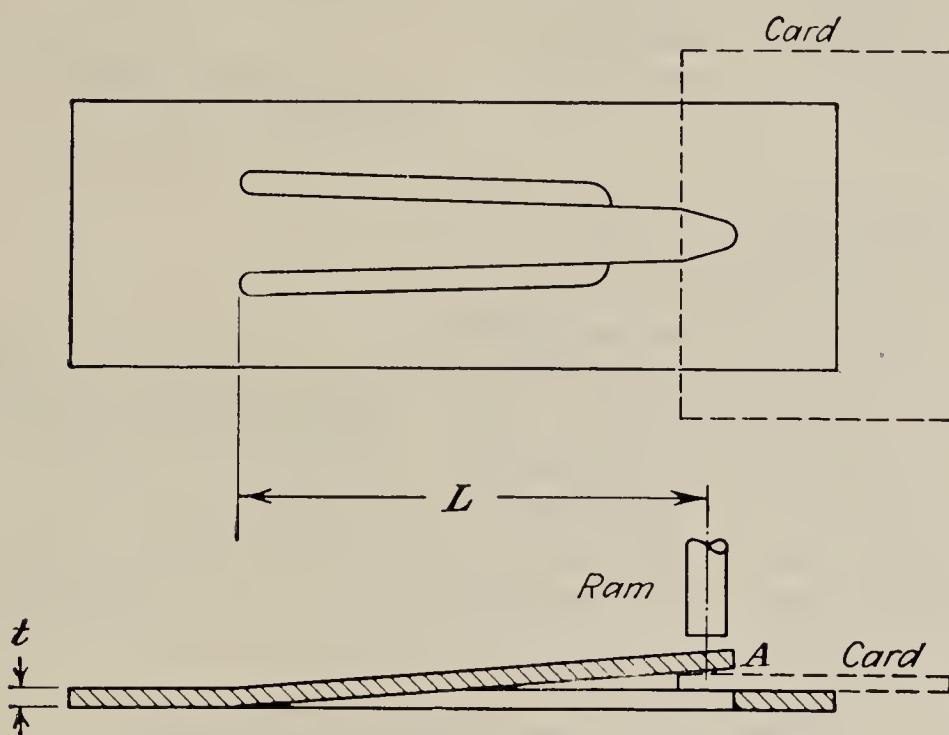


FIG. P 4-12.

### Chapter 5. Allowable Stresses

**5-1.** A flat bar, as shown in the sketch, is to carry an axial load *P* = 12,000 lb. The material is to be SAE 1040 steel.

Assuming a factor of safety of 2, determine the thickness *t* of the bar for the following conditions: (a) assuming that the load *P* is a static load; (b) assuming that the load *P* is completely reversed and applied repeatedly.

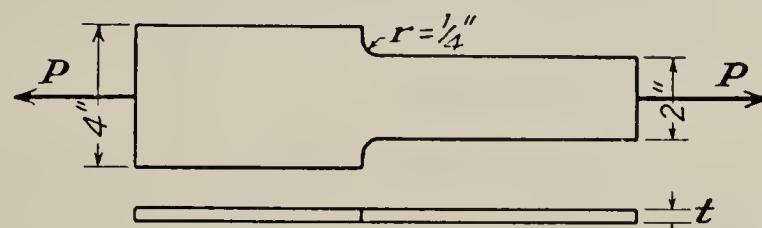


FIG. P 5-1.

**5-2.** A stepped shaft of circular cross section, as shown in the sketch, is made of SAE 1045 steel. The load *P* is repeated and completely reversed with a value of 2,500 lb. Assuming that *r/d* is approximately  $\frac{1}{8}$ , determine the diameter *d* and the fillet radius *r* so that the maximum stress will be limited to a value corresponding to a factor of safety of 2.

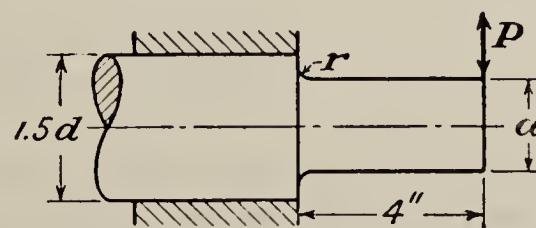


FIG. P 5-2.

**5-3.** The machine part shown in the sketch is to be loaded repeatedly by a force  $P = 360$  lb. Determine the required thickness  $b$  for the part, assuming SAE 1045 steel and a factor of safety of 2.

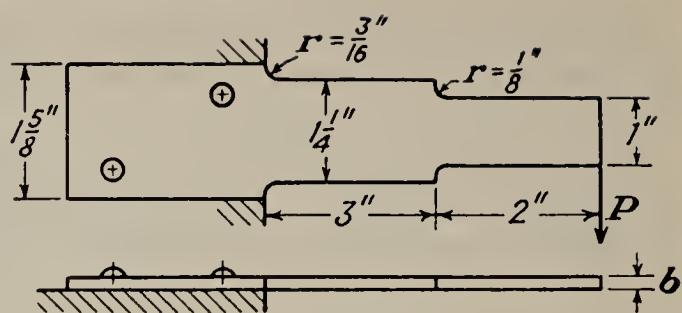


FIG. P 5-3.

**5-4.** A bar, as shown in the sketch, is to be subjected to a completely reversed, repeated load  $P = 5,000$  lb. Assume SAE 1020 steel. Determine the thickness  $t$  of bar required, using a factor of safety of 2.

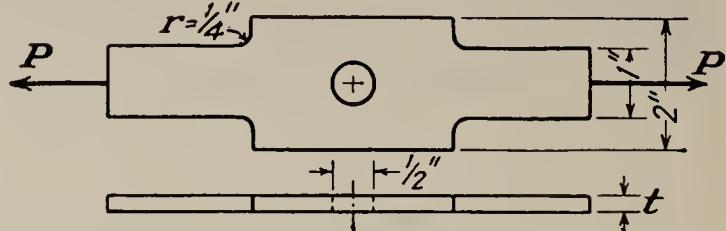


FIG. P 5-4.

**5-5.** A camshaft  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. in diameter is mounted on ball bearings and carries a cam midway between the bearings, as shown by the sketch. The follower, which weighs 625 lb, is out of adjustment so that impact is produced when it is contacted by the cam. The height of fall  $h$  equals 0.01 in. The shaft is made of SAE 1045 steel. (a) Determine the maximum bending stress in the shaft. (b) Would the shaft be expected to fail, and if so, under what conditions?

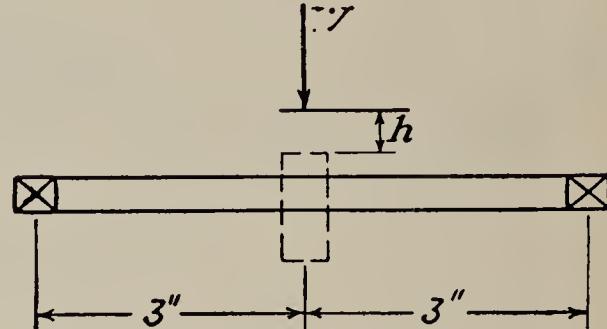


FIG. P 5-5.

## Chapter 6. Members That Fail by Buckling

**6-1.** The piston rod of a steam engine may be considered to be a column. Determine the recommended diameter of the rod, assuming the following:

Diameter of cylinder.....	18 in.
Maximum net steam pressure on piston.....	85 psi
Distance from piston to crosshead.....	64 in.
Material.....	SAE 1030 steel
Factor of safety.....	4
End-restraint coefficient $n$ .....	3.5

**6-2.** A compression link of a valve mechanism may be considered as a column. The link is to be circular in cross section and 18 in. long. The estimated axial load on the link is 800 lb. Determine the recommended diameter for the link, assuming the following data:

Material.....	SAE 1020 steel
Factor of safety.....	2
End-fixity coefficient $n$ .....	3.0

**6-3.** A steam-engine piston rod is to be made of nickel steel. The rod is to be 56 in. long and the maximum steam load carried by the rod is 45,000 lb. Assuming that the yield point for the steel is 65,000 psi, the end-fixity coefficient is 3.5, and the factor of safety is 4, determine the diameter for the rod.

- 6-4.** A part of a nail-heading machine is to be circular in cross section and 6 in. long, as shown in the sketch, and is to carry a compressive load of 5,000 lb. Assuming SAE 1020 steel and a factor of safety of 2, determine the diameter required.

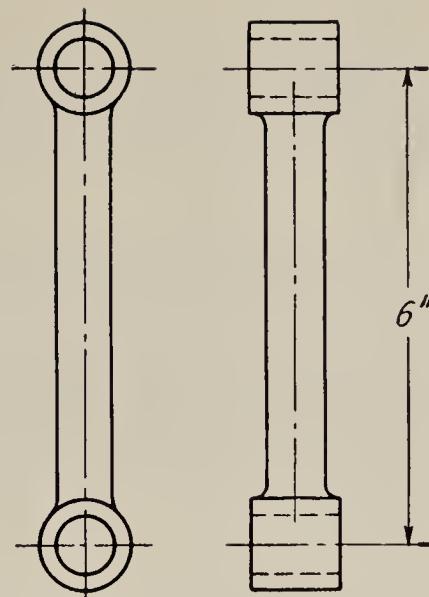


FIG. P 6-4.

- 6-5.** A steel strut, as shown in the sketch, is rectangular in cross section and is to be part of the operating mechanism of a bascule bridge. The compressive load to be carried is 40,000 lb. Determine the following: (a) the relation between  $b$  and  $w$  required for equal strengths of the strut in failure by buckling in either plane; (b) the required dimensions  $b$  and  $w$ , assuming a factor of safety of 4 and SAE 1020 steel.

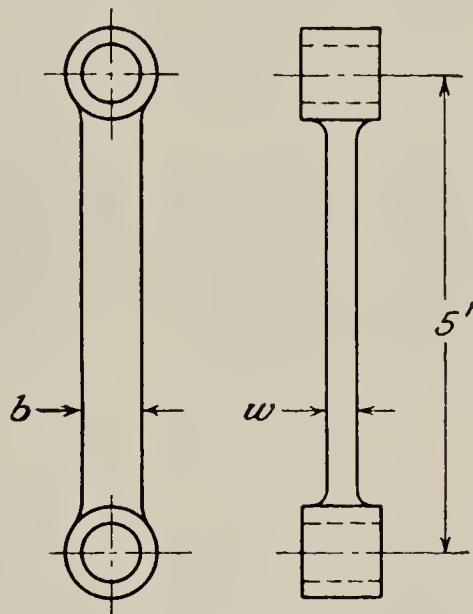


FIG. P 6-5.

- 6-6.** Assume a reasonable material, and recommend the diameter of the piston rod for the cylinder in Prob. 11-2.

NOTE: Assume that the length of the piston rod is 30 in., that its right-hand end is pin connected to the operating lever, that the piston end of the rod is fixed ended, and that the factor of safety is 2.5.

#### Chapter 8. Mechanical Fabrication and Processes

- 8-1.** A static load  $P = 70,000$  lb is to be supported by steel plates welded as shown in Fig. P 8-1 by shielded-arc welds. (a) Assuming that  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. plates are to be used and that each weld carries one-half of the load, determine the width of plate to be specified. (b) Determine the maximum stress in the plates, and compare it with the allowable value.

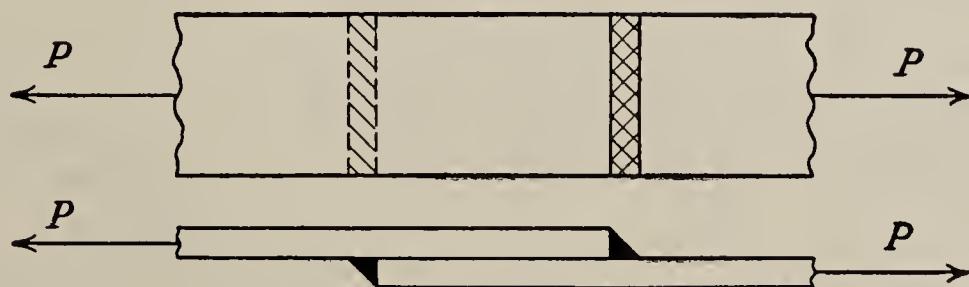


FIG. P 8-1.

**8-2.** A 6- by 4- by  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. angle is to be welded to a steel plate by fillet welds along the edges of the 6-in. leg. The angle is to support a tension load of 60,000 lb. Determine the lengths of shielded-arc welds to be specified.

**8-3.** A gear is to be made by welding a steel hub, ring, and rim as shown in Fig. P 8-3. The torque on the gear is steady at 2,000 lb-ft. Determine the size of welds to be recommended at the hub and the rim.

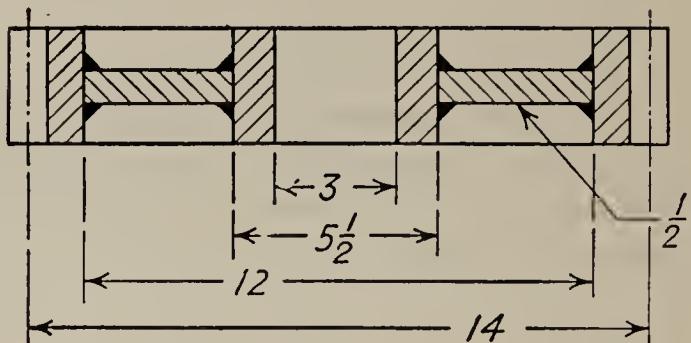


FIG. P 8-3.

**8-4.** Determine the thickness of the plate and size of weld to be specified for the bracket in Fig. P 8-4, where  $F = 8,000$  lb.

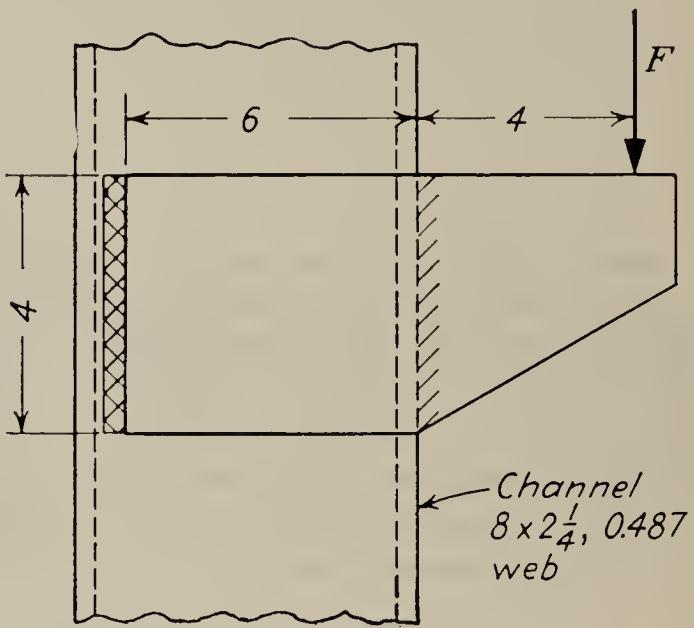


FIG. P 8-4.

### Chapter 9. Detachable Fastenings

**9-1.** For a National Standard bolt and nut made of steel, determine the relation between the thickness of the nut and the outside diameter of the thread for equal strengths of the bolt in tension and the threads in shear. Assume that the root diameter of the threads is  $0.85 \times$  the outside diameter and that the allowable stress in shear,  $s_s$ , equals  $0.55 \times$  the allowable stress in tension,  $s_t$ .

**9-2.** A pulley bracket is supported by four bolts, two at  $A$  and two at  $B$ , as shown in the sketch. The weight of the pulley and bracket equals  $W = 175$  lb, and the load on the rope  $P$  is 6,000 lb. Assuming that the bracket is held against the wall and prevented from tipping about  $O$  by the two bolts at  $A$  (i.e., neglecting the bolts at  $B$ ), and using an allowable tensile stress in the bolts as 5,000 psi, determine the size of NC bolts required.

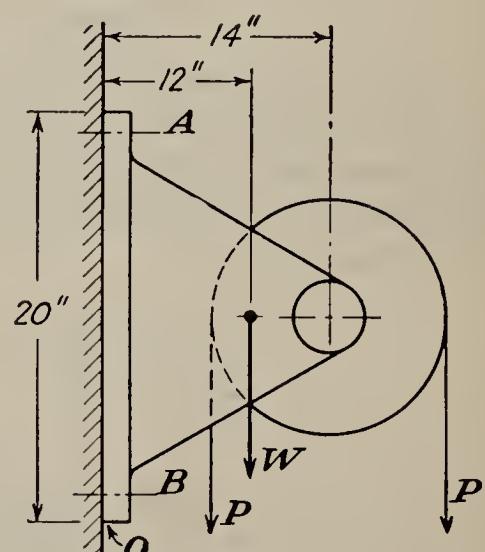


FIG. P 9-2.

**9-3.** A bolt is subjected to axial shock loading so that the maximum applied load equals 2,400 lb. (a) Assuming an allowable stress of 8,000 psi, determine the size of

bolt required using NC threads. Neglect stress concentration. (b) It is desired to increase the shock-absorbing capacity of the above bolt. Determine the diameter of the hole required to reduce the cross-sectional area of the shank to that at the root of the threads. (c) Determine the percentage of improvement in shock-absorbing capacity by using the drilled bolt.

**9-4.** Assuming that the load on a bolt due to tightening is equal to 16,000 times the nominal bolt diameter  $d$ , derive an equation for the stress due to tightening. The result should be in terms of  $d$ . Assume the root diameter is  $0.8 \times$  the nominal diameter. What should be the minimum size of the bolts used on the basis of the above?

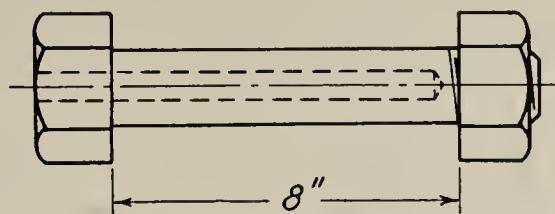


FIG. P 9-3.

**9-5.** A safety stop is composed of steel tension bolts arranged to catch a platform in case of failure of a support. In this case each bolt may be subjected to the impact of  $W = 2,500$  lb, dropping through a distance  $h = 0.05$  in., as shown schematically by the sketch. The bolts are turned down to  $\frac{7}{8}$  in. in diameter, which is less than the root diameter of the threads. It is expected that the safety stop will be required to function infrequently. Using a factor of safety equal to 1.25, what mechanical property of the material and what value of that property would you specify?

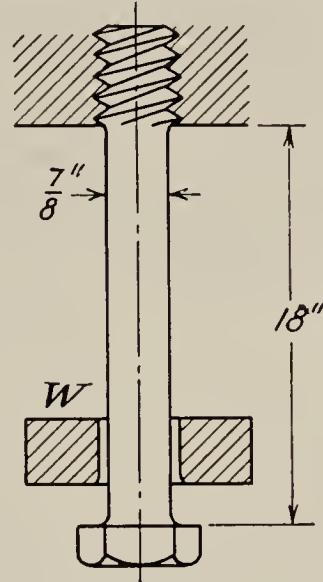


FIG. P 9-5.

**9-6.** For a sliding hub connected to a shaft by means of feather keys, show that the friction of sliding when two keys are used is one-half the friction when one key is used.

**9-7.** Draw a neat sketch of a shaft fitted with a key, and derive equations for (a) the bearing pressure on the key and (b) the shearing stress in the key. The results should be in terms of the transmitted torque  $T$ , the shaft diameter  $D$ , length of key  $L$ , width of key  $w$ , and depth  $h$ . (c) Assuming that the key is equally strong in bearing and shear and that the yield point in compression is twice the yield point in shear, determine the proper proportions of the cross section of the key. (d) Assuming that there is a square key whose sides are one-quarter the shaft diameter and that the shaft, key, and hub are made of the same material, determine the length of key in terms of the shaft diameter so that the key will be as strong as the solid shaft.

**9-8.** The low-speed shaft of a 20-hp speed reducer rotates at 384 rpm and is  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in. in diameter. Determine the size of key that should be recommended and compare the shearing stress in the key with the shearing stress in the solid shaft.

**9-9.** Determine the size and length of the key you would specify for a 5-hp 1,800-rpm motor (see Table 25-2).

**9-10.** A line shaft  $2\frac{7}{16}$  in. in diameter is to be driven by a belt running over a 36-in. pulley. The belt tensions are  $F_1 = 1,500$  lb and  $F_2 = 1,000$  lb. The hub of the pulley and its key are both 6 in. long. (a) Using a standard square key, determine the shearing stress and the bearing pressure for the key. (b) Determine the loads coming on the bearings  $A$  and  $B$ .

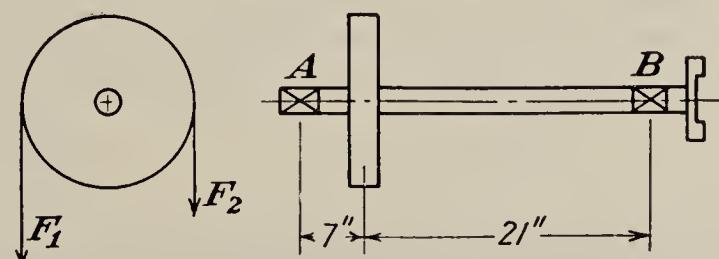


FIG. P 9-10.

**9-11.** Make a neat sketch showing two views of a knuckle joint, and write equations showing the strength of the joint for the most probable methods of failure.

NOTE: Assign notation to represent the various dimensions of the joint and express the equations for strength in terms of this notation.

**9-12.** Make a neat sketch showing two views of a cotter joint with key, and write equations showing the strength of the joint for the most probable methods of failure.

NOTE: Assign notation to represent the various dimensions of the rod end, socket, and cotter, and express the equations for strength in terms of this notation.

**9-13.** For the cottered connection shown in the sketch, determine the maximum load  $P$  that should be applied for the following allowable stresses:  $s_t = 5,000$  psi,  $s_s = 2,500$  psi, and  $s_b = 12,000$  psi. Neglect stress concentration.

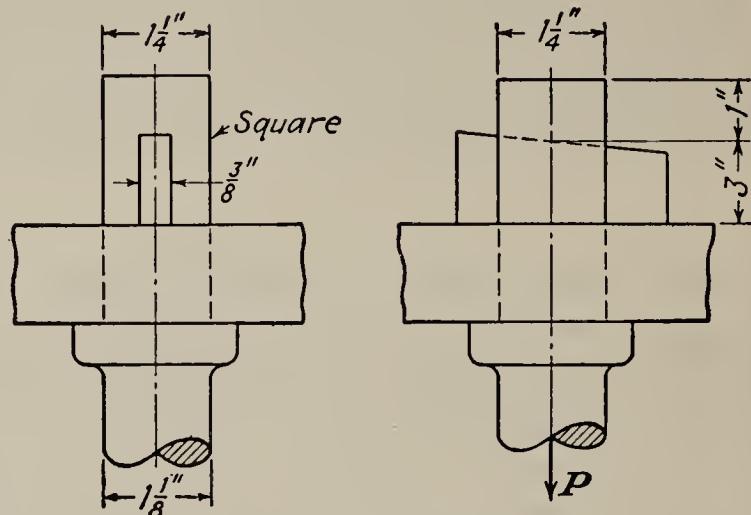


FIG. P 9-13.

**9-14.** The torque capacity of a spline fitting is based on the allowable pressure on the active surfaces of the splines. Assuming a value of this pressure as 1,000 psi, determine for the spline in Fig. P 9-14 the following: (a) the length of spline required for a torque capacity of 500 lb-ft; (b) the force required to slide the member axially under load, assuming the coefficient of friction as 0.1.

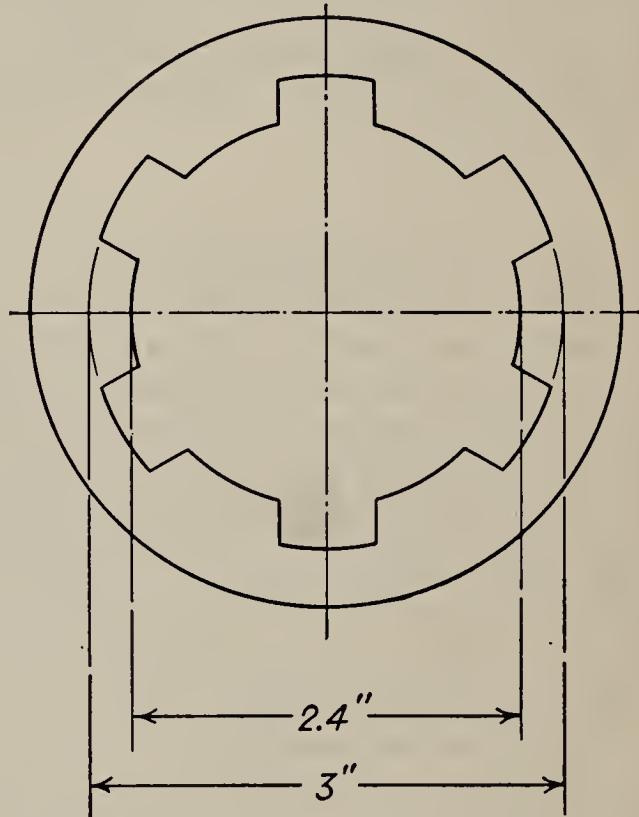


FIG. P 9-14.

### Chapter 10. Springs

**10-1. a.** Derive the following equation for the shearing stress in a helical spring in which  $P$  is the axial load in pounds,  $D$  is the mean coil diameter in inches,  $d$  is the wire diameter in inches, and  $C$  is the spring index:

$$s_s = \frac{8PD}{\pi d^3} = \frac{8PC}{\pi d^2}$$

**b.** How may the above equation be modified to take into account the effect on the stress due to direct shear, wire curvature, etc.?

**10-2.** Derive the following equation for the deflection  $\delta$  of a coil spring having  $n$  active coils of mean diameter  $D$ , made of wire of diameter  $d$  and subjected to an axial load  $P$ .

$$\delta = \frac{8PD^3n}{Gd^4} = \frac{8PC^3n}{Gd}$$

Write an expression for the spring rate in terms of physical constants of the spring.

**10-3.** A helical steel compression spring is 4 in. in outer diameter and has eight active coils of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. round wire. Assuming average service, determine the following: (a) spring index  $C$ ; (b) stress factor  $K$ ; (c) permissible axial load; (d) deflection; (e) spring rate.

**10-4.** A helical coil spring is to be subjected in service to loads ranging from 520 to 650 lb. The axial compression of the spring over the above load range is to be approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. Assuming a spring index of approximately 5, determine the following: (a) the size of wire; (b) the outside diameter of the spring; (c) the number of active coils.

**10-5.** A loaded narrow-gauge car weighing 4,000 lb and moving at a velocity of 240 fpm is brought to rest by a bumper consisting of two helical steel springs. In bringing the car to rest the springs are to be compressed 8 in. Assume the following:

Allowable stress.....	52,000 psi
Spring index.....	6

Determine the following: (a) maximum load on each spring; (b) diameter of wire; (c) mean diameter of coils; (d) number of effective coils.

**10-6.** A weight of 160 lb located at a position  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft above the center of a platen is to drop on the platen. The platen is to be supported on four helical springs. Assume the following:

Deflection of each spring.....	3 in.
Spring index.....	5
Maximum stress.....	60,000 psi

Determine the diameter of wire, outside diameter of the coils, and the number of active coils.

**10-7.** A valve for a hydraulic pump is to have a lift of  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. and is to be closed by a helical compression spring having a load range of approximately 100 to 175 lb from valve-closed to valve-open conditions. Assuming SAE 6150 steel and a spring index of 6, determine the wire diameter, outer diameter of coils, and number of active coils to be recommended.

**10-8.** A circular cam 8 in. in diameter rotates off center with an eccentricity  $e = 1$  in. and operates the roller follower that is carried by the arm as shown by the sketch. The roller follower is held against the cam by means of an extension spring. The device is part of a book-binder. Assuming that the force between the follower and the cam is to be approximately 50 lb at the low position and 80 lb at the high position and that there is a spring index of 7, determine the diameter of wire, outside diameter of spring, and number of active coils you would recommend. The spring may be assumed to be attached at the third point on the arm.

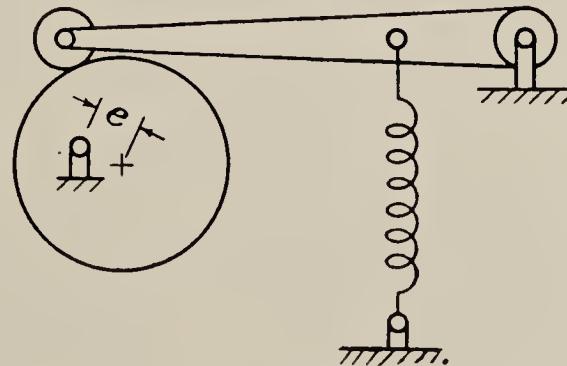


FIG. P 10-8.

**10-9.** In a free-rolling conveyor, a crate loaded with nonfragile material, 60 lb tare, reaches station *A* at a velocity  $v = 10$  fps and is normally unloaded at station *B*. In case it "gets away" from *B*, a pair of helical buffer springs at *C* are expected to arrest the motion of the crate. Assume that the springs are set up with an initial compression of 2 in., and that the compression of the spring due to impact is to be 6 in. Determine the following: (a) maximum load on each spring; (b) diameter of wire and diameter of coils; (c) number of coils.



FIG. P 10-9.

**10-10.** A helical coil spring for an industrial spring-set brake is to be made of SAE 6150 wire and is to be loaded in compression by an axial load varying from a minimum of 650 lb to a maximum. The deflection of the spring over the service load range is to be approximately  $\frac{3}{8}$  in.

a. Assuming average service, a spring index of 5, and that the range of stress during the service loading will be from 80 to 100 per cent of the maximum, determine the diameter of wire and the mean diameter of coils.

b. Determine the number of active coils required and the actual spring rate in pounds per inch.

c. Determine the yield point in torsion for the wire, and compute the corresponding spring load and deflection.

d. Assuming that the spring ends are squared and ground, and using the deflection found in (c), determine the pitch of the coils and the actual free length of the spring so that the closure stress will not exceed the yield point.

e. Make a copy of the table shown below and enter values.

f. Check the possibility of buckling.

g. Make a neat freehand sketch approximately to scale of the spring in its free condition.

Specifications		Characteristics				
Outside diameter, in.			Load	Stress	Deflection	Length
Wire diameter, in.		Free				
Total number of coils			650			
Pitch of coils, in.						
Free length, in.		Solid				

- 10-11.** A Westinghouse-Nuttall coupling, as shown in Fig. 16-8, is to have a rated torque of 2,800 lb-in. There are to be four springs located as shown in Fig. P 10-11 in which the radius of the spring center line  $R = 4$  in. (a) Assuming that the angular displacement between the coupling halves at twice rated torque is to be 6 deg, determine the spring rate. (b) Assuming that the springs are to have an initial compression of 0.1 in. when the coupling is unloaded, determine the load on the springs at twice rated torque.

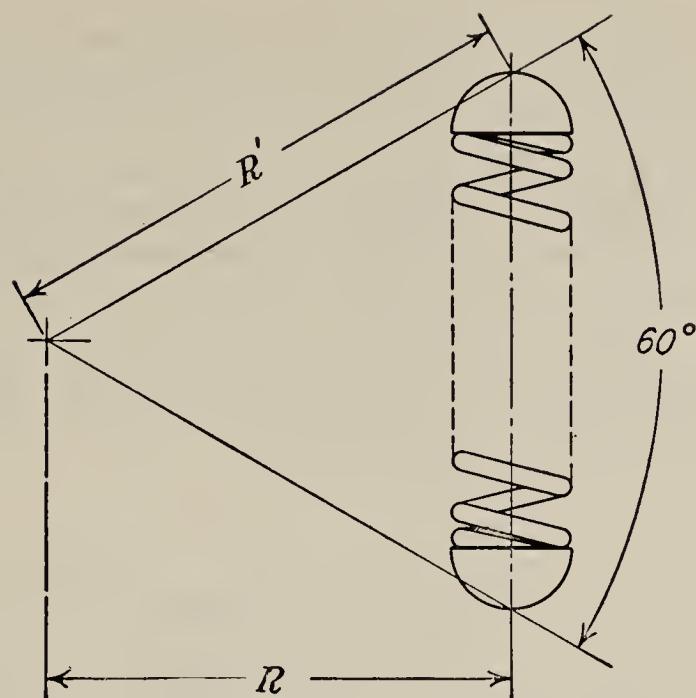


FIG. P 10-11.

- 10-12.** A torsion-bar spring is made of a solid, circular steel bar 2.27 in. in diameter with upset ends 2.75 in. in diameter for spline fittings. The splines are composed of 55 serrations 0.037 in. deep with sides having 100-deg included angle. One end of the bar is anchored to the piece of ordnance equipment of which it is a part, and the other end carries a torque arm 14 in. long. The length of the bar between splines is 72.7 in. The maximum force on the torque arm is 23,800 lb. (a) Make a sketch of the bar. (b) Determine the maximum torque on the bar in inch-pounds. For maximum torque, determine the following: (c) shearing stress in the body of the bar; (d) pressure on the flanks of the splines; (e) wind-up of the bar in degrees; (f) motion of the free end of the arm in inches.

- 10-13.** In Fig. 10-18 is shown a Neg'ator spring counterbalance in which the Neg'ator spring in tending to rewind itself on the storage bushing rotates the output bushing and the cable drum to support the weights on the cables *A*, *B*, and *C*. The total weight on the three cables is 36 lb. Determine the constant spring force required to produce the counterbalancing. The diameter of the cable drum is 1.74 in., the diameter of the output bushing is 4 in., and the gear ratio between the output bushing and the cable drum is 4:1.

### Chapter 11. Pressure Cylinders

- 11-1.** The drum of a steam-generating unit is 18 ft long and 48 in. in diameter. The steam pressure is 500 psi gauge. Assuming an allowable tensile stress of 10,000 psi and that the efficiencies of the circumferential and longitudinal joints are 65 and 90 per cent, respectively, recommend the thickness of shell.

- 11-2.** The force analysis of a  $7\frac{1}{2}$ -ton air-operated arbor press shows that the piston rod for the operating cylinder must exert a maximum force  $F = 4,500$  lb. The air

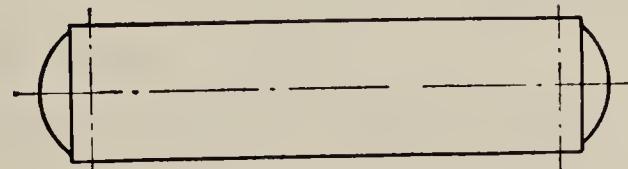


FIG. P 11-1.



FIG. P 11-2.

pressure  $p$  in the cylinder is 100 psi. (a) Determine the diameter of cylinder bore required, assuming that over-all friction due to stuffing box and piston packing is equivalent to 10 per cent of  $F$ . The piston bore should be selected on the basis of  $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. increments. (b) Determine the thickness of cylinder, assuming that it is seamless-steel tubing. The allowable tensile stress is 3,000 psi. (c) Determine the thickness of the cylinder head, assuming that it is made of cast iron and that the allowable stress is 3,000 psi.

**11-3.** An hydraulic control for a straight-line motion utilizes a spherical pressure tank  $A$  that is connected to a work cylinder  $B$  as shown. A pump maintains pressure in the tank equal to 400 psi.

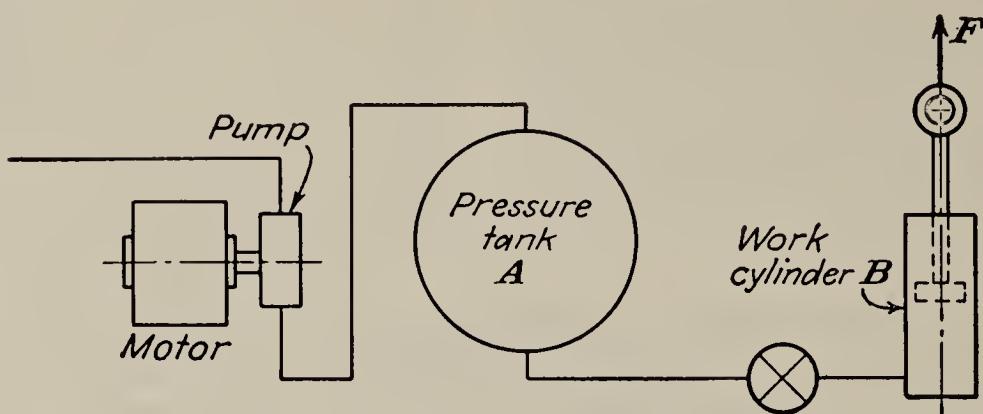


FIG. P 11-3.

a. Assuming that the tank  $A$  is 32 in. in diameter, that it is welded with joints having strength equal to that of the plate, and that the tank is made of steel plates having an allowable tensile strength of 7,500 psi, determine the thickness of the plate required for the tank.

b. Assuming a pressure drop of 30 psi between the tank and the cylinder, determine the diameter of piston required to produce an operating force  $F$  of 5,000 lb. Assume an allowance for friction in the cylinder and packing equal to 10 per cent of  $F$ .

c. Determine the thickness of the cylinder wall, assuming that it is made of cast iron having an allowable tensile stress of 4,000 psi.

d. Determine the horsepower output of the cylinder during a working stroke, assuming the piston stroke is 18 in. and that 5 sec is required for a work stroke.

e. Assuming that the work cycle of the piston rod occurs once every 30 sec, that the over-all efficiency of the hydraulic control is 80 per cent, and that the pump efficiency is 60 per cent, determine the horsepower required for the motor continuously operating the pump.

#### Chapter 12. Translation Screws

**12-1.** a. Make a neat sketch showing one turn of a right-hand square-threaded screw, and indicate thereon the following notation:

$Q$  = axial load, lb

$d$  = mean diameter of the thread, in.

$\alpha$  = lead angle at mean diameter

$\phi$  = friction angle

$L$  = lead of thread, in.

b. Derive an equation for the torque  $T$  required to raise the load and to overcome thread friction in terms of  $Q$ ,  $d$ ,  $f$ , and  $L$ .

c. Write the expression for the torque  $T_c$  required to overcome collar friction.

**12-2.** A sluice gate weighing 60 tons is raised and lowered by means of two  $2\frac{3}{4}$ -in. Sellers standard square-threaded screws. The screws are operated by a 570-rpm

motor. A ball thrust bearing is used at the collar, reducing the coefficient of collar friction to 0.03 at a diameter of 4 in. The coefficient of thread friction may be assumed to be 0.14.

If the gate is to be raised at the rate of 2 fpm, determine the following: (a) the rpm of the screws; (b) the horsepower of motor required to raise the gate, assuming a mechanical efficiency of 0.85 for the speed-reducing equipment.

**12-3.** A screw having a double square thread is to raise a load of 20,000 lb at a speed of 3 fpm. The following data apply:

Outside diameter of thread.....	2 $\frac{1}{8}$ in.
Pitch.....	1 in.
Mean collar diameter.....	5 in.
Coefficient of thread friction.....	0.10
Coefficient of collar friction.....	0.12

Determine the following: (a) the horsepower required to drive the screw; (b) the efficiency of the screw.

**12-4.** The screw of a 30-ton toggle press rotates at 72 rpm and is driven by means of the gear  $g$  shown in the sketch. The crossheads  $n$  move axially along the screw and in

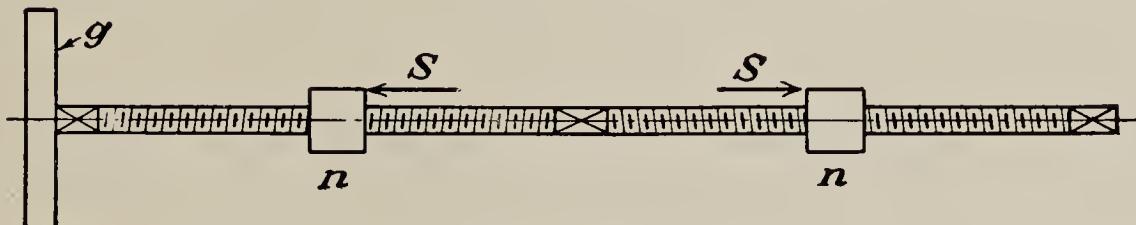


FIG. P 12-4.

opposite directions since one head has left-handed threads and the other right-handed threads. They move against the axial forces  $S$  in operating the press. Assuming that  $S = 23,000$  lb, that the screw is a square-threaded type  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in. in outside diameter and has two threads per inch, and that there is coefficient of friction of 0.10, determine the horsepower required to drive the gear  $g$ . The friction at the supporting bearings may be neglected.

**12-5.** The screw of a shaft straightener, as shown in the sketch, exerts a load  $P = 6,000$  lb. The screw is 3 in. in outside diameter and has four square threads per inch. (a) Determine the force required at the rim of the 12-in.-diameter hand wheel, assuming that the coefficients of thread and collar friction are 0.125 and that the mean diameter of the collar is  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. (b) Determine the maximum compressive stress in the screw, the bearing pressure on the threads, and the shearing stress in the threads. (c) Determine the efficiency of the straightener. (d) Determine the size of the two bolts required to fasten the straightener to the base, assuming the allowable stress is 8,000 psi. Neglect tightening-up stresses.

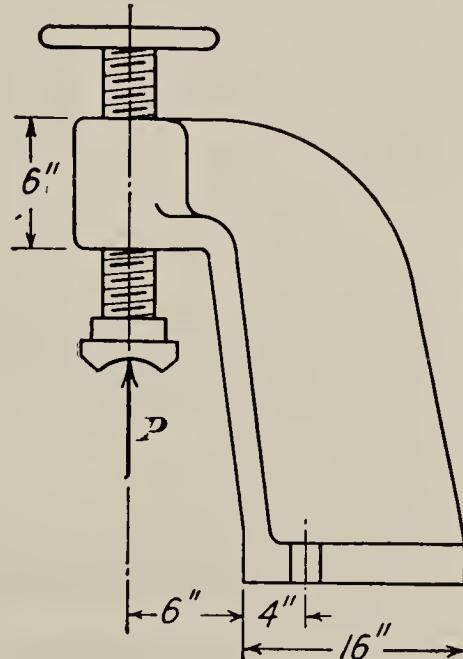


FIG. P 12-5.

**12-6.** The sketch shows the arrangement for a type of linear actuator for aircraft controls, for example, landing gear and bomb-bay doors. These units weigh from 4 to 15 lb. The screw for such an actuator is to be designed and the motor selected.

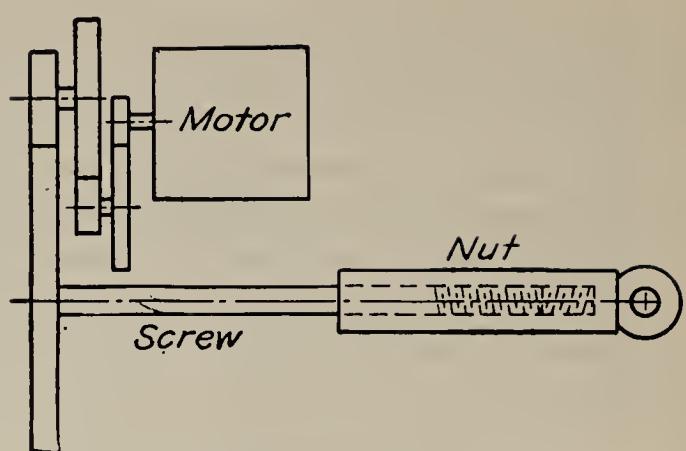


FIG. P 12-6.

Data:

Operating force on actuator.....	1,000 lb
Maximum static force.....	2,500 lb
Extension of actuator.....	5 in.
Time for extension.....	6 sec
Motor speed.....	7,200 rpm

a. Determine the root area of the screw for the maximum static force, using an allowable stress in direct tension or compression equal to 10,000 psi. Select a Sellers standard square thread.

b. Using a coefficient of thread friction of 0.08 and neglecting collar friction since a ball thrust bearing is used, determine the torque on the screw in pound-inches, corresponding to the operating force on the screw.

c. Assuming an over-all efficiency for the triple-reduction gear between the motor and screw such as 94 per cent, determine the horsepower of motor required.

d. Determine the over-all gear ratio from the motor to the screw.

**12-7.** A portable conveyer is to be raised and lowered by means of the double-screw arrangement shown in the sketch. The two screws are supported by collars *A* and are connected by the roller chain *B* and rotated by the bevel gears *C*, operated by the hand crank as shown. The movable frame *E* is raised and lowered by the screws against a load *W* = 1,000 lb, but when the frame is in position the load may be increased to 2,000 lb.

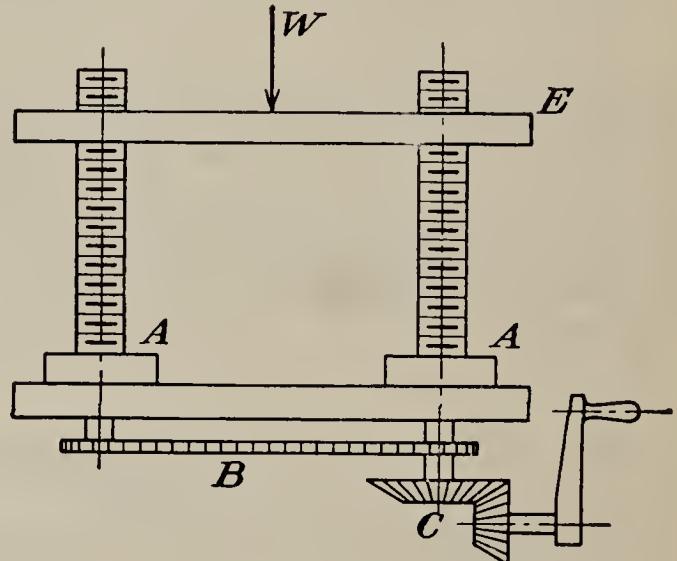


FIG. P 12-7.

Assume the following data:

Allowable compressive stress in the screw.....	1,000 psi
Mean diameter of collar.....	outside diameter of screw
Coefficient of friction.....	0.15
Chain efficiency.....	90 per cent
Bevel-gear efficiency.....	90 per cent
Bevel-gear ratio.....	2:1 (pinion on crankshaft as shown)
Maximum tangential force on crank.....	20 lb

Use Sellers' square threads.

Determine the size of the screws to be used and the length of crank arm required.

**12-8.** In a shipbuilding crane, as shown in Fig. P 12-8(a), the travel of the load is controlled by three operations: (1) raising and lowering the load vertically by reeling in or out of the cable on the main hoisting drum, (2) raising or lowering (luffing) the boom, and (3) rotating the crane on a vertical axis. Each of these operations is controlled by a separate drive.

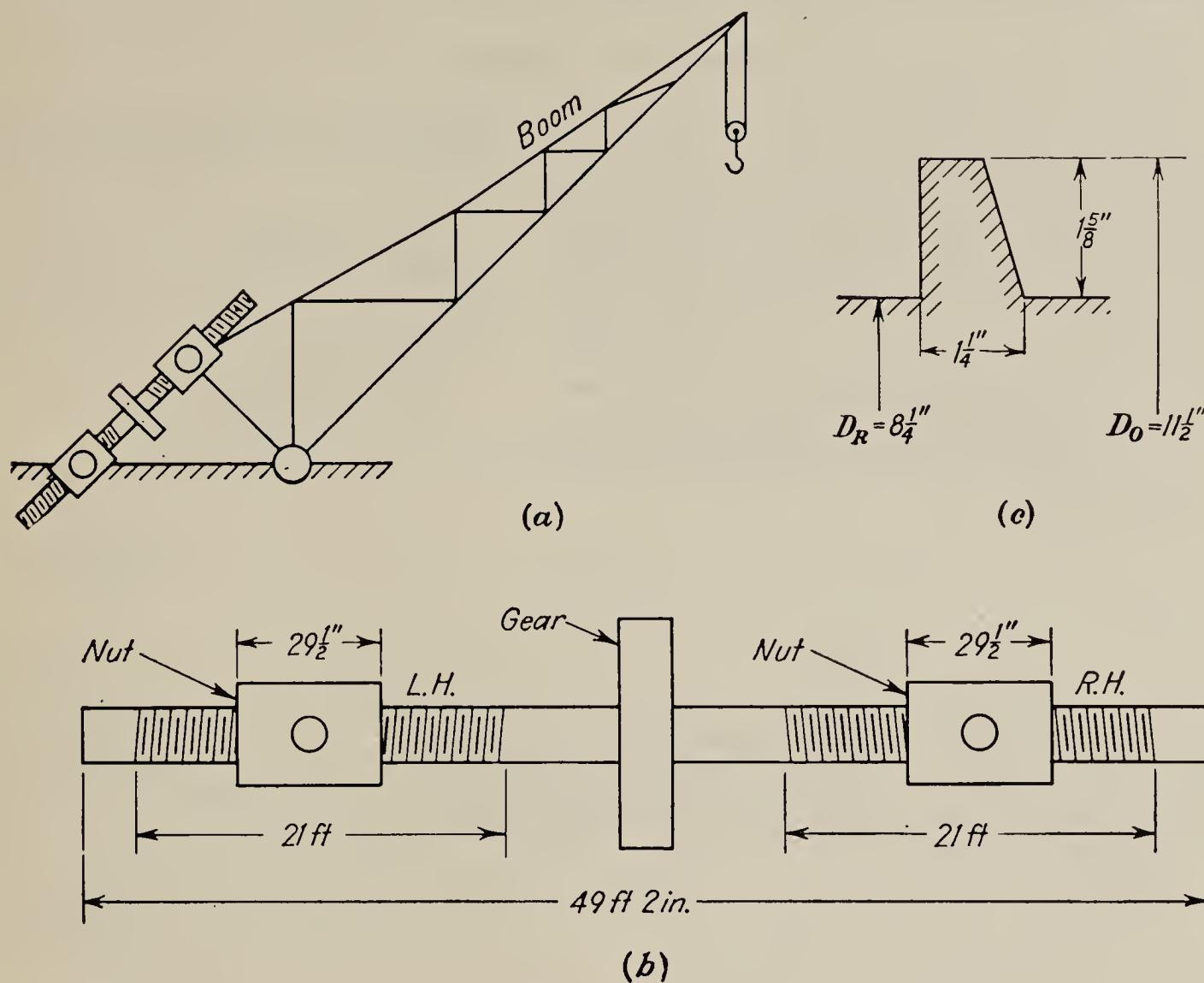


FIG. P 12-8.

In one of the largest cranes in the world (see *Mech. Eng.*, September, 1944, p. 569), luffing of the boom is accomplished by rotating two screws located side by side, as the one shown in (a) in the figure. Each of the two screws is driven by a motor through a gear keyed to the screw at its mid-point. The screw has left- and right-hand threads, each running with a bronze nut. One nut is trunnioned to the base of the crane and the other trunnioned to the boom so that when the screw is rotated the boom will be raised or lowered. The dimensions of the screw are shown in (b), and at (c) is shown a detail of the buttress thread. Other data are as follows:

Capacity of crane = 75 tons

Maximum tensile load on screw = 327,000 lb

Material of screw is SAE 2340 steel with yield point in tension = 70,000 psi

Material of nut is bronze alloy with yield point in tension = 55,000 psi

Pitch of threads =  $2\frac{1}{8}$  in.

Determine the following:

- Maximum torque in inch-pounds on each screw, assuming a coefficient of friction equal to 0.07. (The threads are very accurately cut, finely finished and EP grease is used as a lubricant.)
- The factor of safety for the screw.
- The factor of safety for strength of the threads.

- d. The time required to raise the boom (same as for the nut to traverse the threaded portion of the screw), assuming that the screw rotates at an average speed of 30 rpm.
- e. The horsepower required for hoisting at the lowest position of the boom at which time the screw rotates at 20 fpm. This is the maximum horsepower and the selection of motor would depend on the duty cycle for the hoist.

### Chapter 13. Shafting

- 13-1.** A shaft transmitting 50 hp at 870 rpm is supported in a bearing as shown in the sketch and has attached to it a pinion 3 in. in pitch diameter. Assuming that the shaft is rigidly supported in the bearing and that the tooth load is uniformly distributed over the face of the gear, determine the following: (a) the torsional moment in inch-pounds transmitted by the shaft; (b) the maximum bending moment on the shaft, assuming 20-deg involute teeth; (c) the shaft diameter required, assuming an allowable stress in shear equal to 6,600 psi.

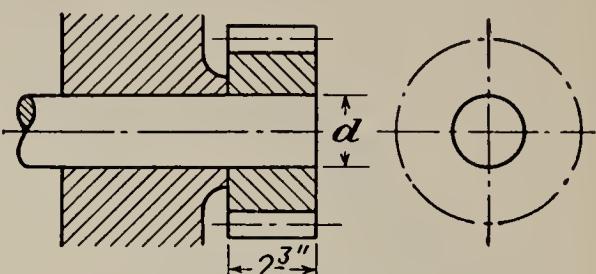


FIG. P 13-1.

- 13-2.** An overhung crank, as shown in the sketch, supports a load  $P = 1,000$  lb. Assuming an allowable stress in shear equal to 6,600 psi, determine the diameter of shaft required.

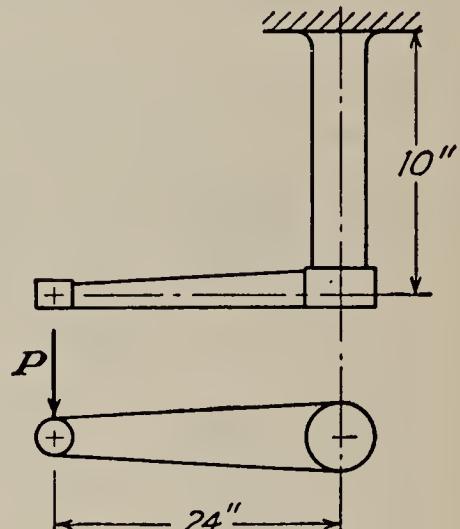


FIG. P 13-2.

- 13-3.** A steam engine that has a stroke of 12 in. has an overhung crank as shown by the sketch. The maximum tangential force  $P$  on the crank may be assumed as 7,500 lb. Assuming an allowable stress in shear as 4,400 psi, determine the recommended diameter  $d$  for the crankshaft.

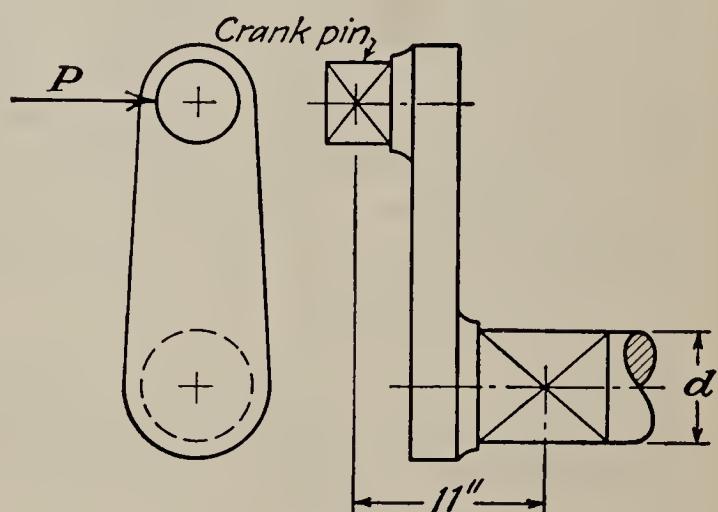


FIG. P 13-3.

- 13-4.** A mild-carbon steel shaft, transmitting 20 hp at 210 rpm, is supported on two bearings that are 30 in. apart and has two gears keyed to it. The pinion, having 24 teeth of 4 diametral pitch, is located 4 in. to the left of the right-hand bearing and delivers the power horizontally to the right. The gear, having 80 teeth of 4 diametral pitch, is located 6 in. to the right of the left-hand bearing and receives power in a

vertical direction from below. Using an allowable working stress in shear as 7,750 psi, determine the diameter of the shaft.

**13-5.** A centrifugal circulating pump for a steam-turbine condenser is to be direct-connected to a motor through a short shaft and a pair of flexible couplings. The pump delivers 5,500 gpm at 865 rpm against a dynamic head of 25 ft. The pump efficiency is 79 per cent. (a) Determine the horsepower of motor required. (b) Assuming hot-rolled SAE 1020 steel, determine the diameter of shaft required using a factor of safety equal to 4. (c) Compare the diameter of the connecting shaft with the diameter of the motor shaft, and state reasons for any difference.

**13-6.** The solid shaft of a high-speed boat is 32 ft long from sprocket to propeller, as shown in the sketch. At maximum torque, the horsepower transmitted to the shaft is 300 at 130 rpm of the shaft. The sprocket is 12 in. in diameter. Assuming the maximum shear theory for the design, with an allowable stress in shear of 8,000 psi, determine the diameter of the shaft to be specified.

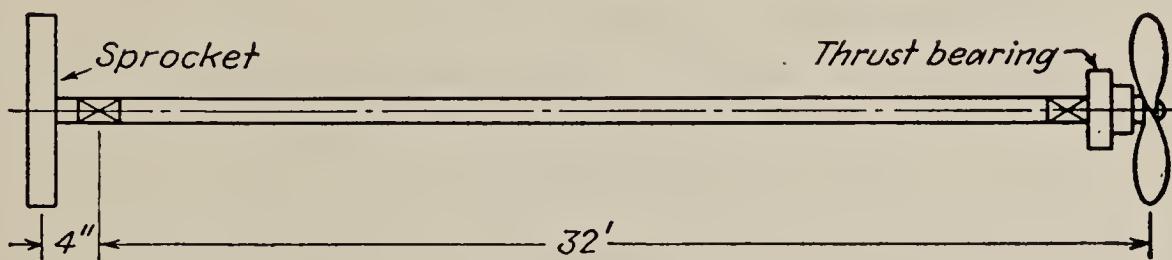


FIG. P 13-6.

**13-7.** The shaft of a hand-operated wire-rope hoist is supported on the bearings *A* and *B* shown in the sketch and has keyed to it the drum, which is 6 in. in diameter. The tangential load on the drum at rated capacity of the hoist is 125 lb. Assuming 100 per cent overload capacity and an allowable shear stress of 5,000 psi, determine the shaft diameter to be recommended.

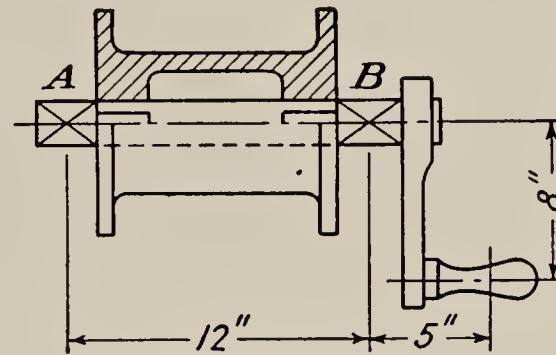


FIG. P 13-7.

**13-8.** A 5-hp 570-rpm motor is to drive a countershaft, as shown in the sketch. The motor pinion has 30 teeth of 12 diametral pitch and meshes with a 120-tooth gear. The countershaft has keyed to it a pinion having 24 teeth of 4 diametral pitch meshing with a 72-tooth gear that drives a rotary kiln. Assuming a starting overload of 30 per cent and an allowable stress in shear of 5,500 psi, determine the diameter of shaft you would recommend.

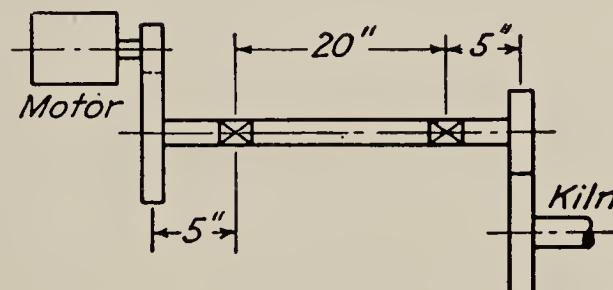


FIG. P 13-8.

**13-9.** The pinion of a water pump is attached, as shown in Fig. P 13-9, to the shaft which is supported on ball bearings *A* and *B*. The data are as follows: pinion has 15 teeth; diametral pitch = 5; rpm = 1,200; horsepower = 50. (a) Using an allowable stress  $s_s = 8,000$  psi, determine the diameter of shaft required. (b) Using a standard square key for the gear, determine the shear stress in the key.

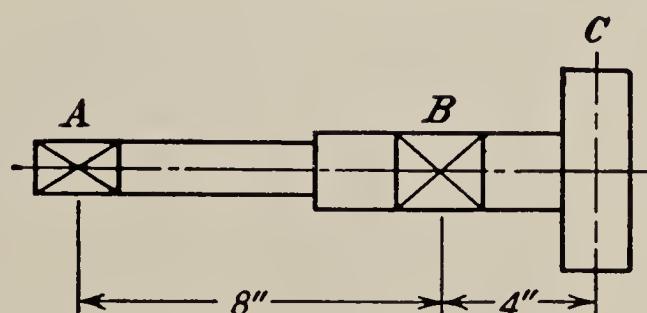


FIG. P 13-9.

**13-10.** Refer to the data and sketch in Prob. 3-7. The detail of the ends of the axle is shown in Fig. P 13-10. (a) Determine the maximum bending stress at the section A in the figure. (b) Determine the radius of the fillet  $r$  so that the maximum stress at the fillet will not exceed the stress at the section A.

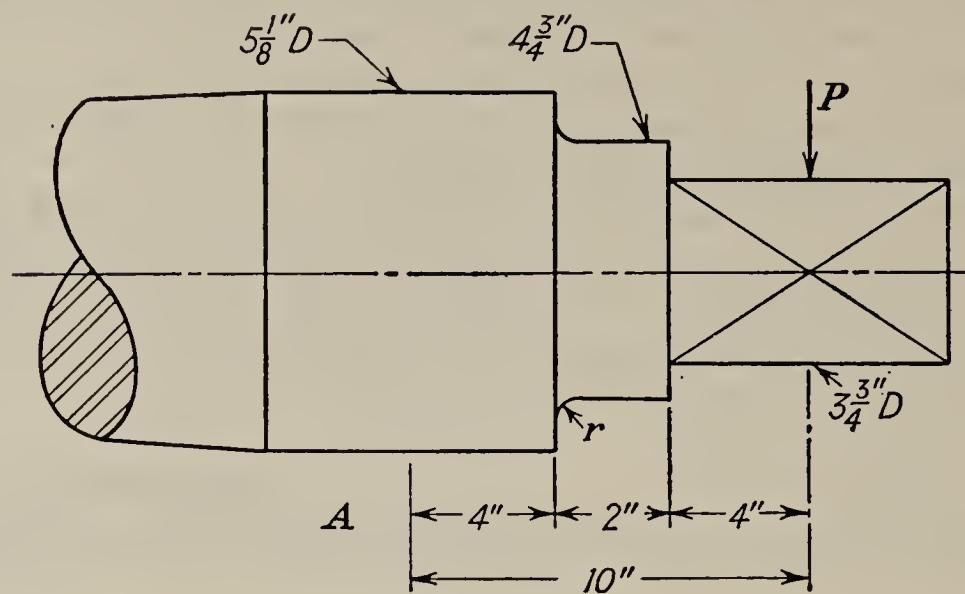


FIG. P 13-10.

**13-11.** A horizontal belt conveyor arranged as shown in the sketch operates at a speed of 270 fpm and requires 21 hp at the 30-in. diameter driving drum. The drum receives power from a countershaft through a pair of spur gears. A motor operating at 860 rpm delivers power to the countershaft through a roller chain. The mechanical efficiency of the chain drive is 94 per cent and of the gears is 96 per cent. (a) Determine the horsepower of the motor you would recommend. (b) Calculate the number of teeth on the large sprocket required to run the conveyor belt at the speed specified. (c) Determine the torque in inch-pounds on the countershaft corresponding to the

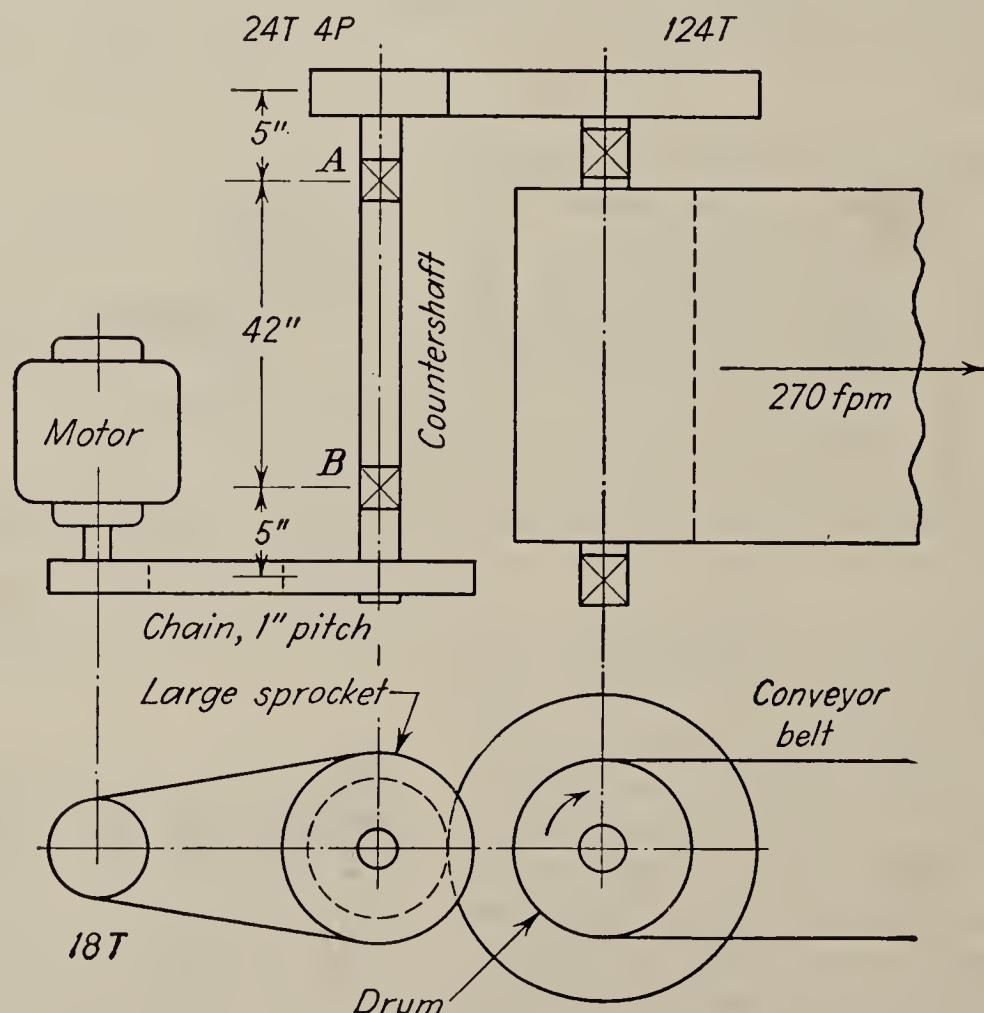


FIG. P 13-11.

rated horsepower of the motor. (d) Assuming an allowable stress in shear equal to 5,500 psi, determine the diameter of countershaft you would recommend.

#### Chapter 14. Belt Drives and Hoists

**14-1.** a. Derive the equation for the ratio of belt tensions in a flat belt transmitting power. The following notation should be used:

- $F_1$  = tension in tight side of belt, lb
- $F_2$  = tension in slack side of belt, lb
- $f$  = coefficient of friction between belt and pulley
- $\theta$  = angle of contact of belt with the pulley
- $b$  = width of belt, in.
- $t$  = thickness of belt, in.
- $w$  = weight of belt material, lb per in.<sup>3</sup>
- $v$  = belt speed, fps

b. Assuming that the ratio of belt tensions is  $(F_1 - F_c)/(F_2 - F_c) = e^{f\theta}$ , derive the equation for the horsepower transmitted per square inch of belt section. The final equation should be in terms of  $f_1$ ,  $f_c$  and of the belt velocity  $v$ , where  $f_1$  is the maximum stress in pounds per square inch and  $f_c$  is equal to  $12(wv^2/g)$ .

**14-2.** A 100-hp Corliss engine, running at 95 rpm and having an 8-ft fly wheel, is connected to a 42-in. pulley by means of an open leather belt. The distance between the shafts is 23½ ft. Assume that cemented joints are used. Determine the following: (a) the minimum angle of contact, (b) the cross-sectional area of belt required, and (c) the thickness, width, and length of belt.

**14-3.** Two pulleys which are 24 in. in diameter and which run at 370 rpm are connected by a leather belt  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. thick. If the belt transmits 30 hp and the distance between the shafts is 10 ft, determine the width and length of belt that is required.

**14-4.** A 40-hp 1,200-rpm motor is to drive an air compressor through the medium of V belting. The mean diameters of the motor pulley and the compressor pulley are 9 in. and 36 in., respectively. The shaft center distance is 55+ in. Determine the size and number of V belts to be recommended.

**14-5.** Select a V-belt drive for connecting a 2-hp 1,170-rpm motor to a 300-rpm blower which is part of an air-conditioning unit. The center distance may be taken as approximately  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the diameter of the large sprocket.

**14-6.** A block and tackle, having two sheaves at the top block and two at the hook, with the rope anchored at the top block, is reefed with wire rope. Determine the following: (a) an equation for the effort  $P$  required to raise a load  $Q$ , in terms of  $Q$  and the coefficient  $C$ ; (b) the force  $P$  required to raise a load  $Q = 2$  tons, assuming  $C = 1.076$ ; (c) the efficiency of the hoist.

**14-7.** A hoist is arranged as shown in the sketch, in which a hydraulic cylinder applies a force  $P$  in order to raise a load  $Q$ . The ratio of rope tensions is equal to  $C$ , where  $C$  is greater than unity. Derive an equation for  $P$  in terms of  $Q$  and  $C$ .

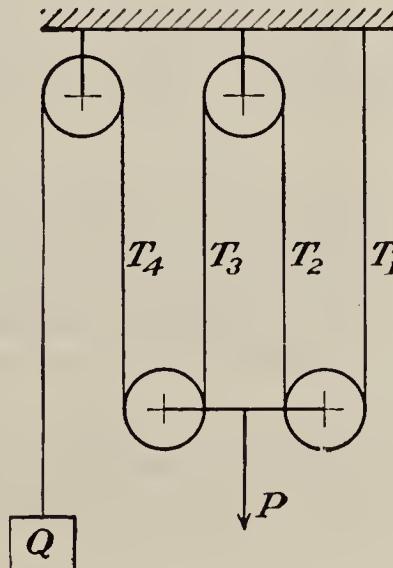


FIG. P 14-7.

**14-8.** A hoist is arranged as shown in the sketch, in which a hydraulic cylinder applies a force  $P$  in order to raise the load  $W = 7,500$  lb. Determine the diameter  $d$  of the rope required, assuming  $6 \times 19$  steel rope, a factor of safety of 4, sheaves  $45d$  in diameter, and a coefficient  $C$  of 1.10. Neglect weight of rope.

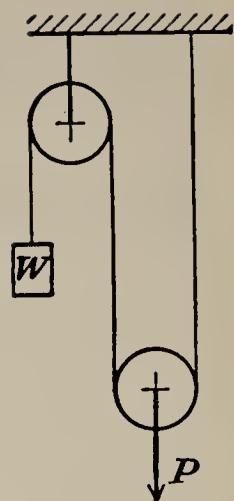


FIG. P 14-8.

**14-9.** The pulley system shown in the sketch is used to raise a load of 10,000 lb with a maximum acceleration of 10 fps.<sup>2</sup> Determine the diameter,  $d$ , of rope required, assuming  $6 \times 19$  steel rope with a factor of safety of 5, sheaves  $45d$  in diameter, and a coefficient  $C$  of 1.10. Neglect weight of rope.

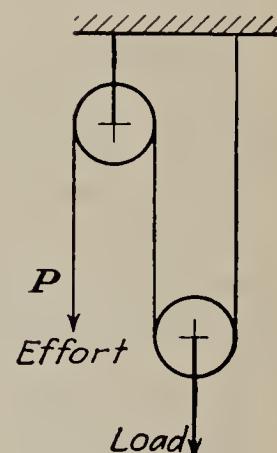


FIG. P 14-9.

**14-10.** The pulley system shown in the sketch is to be used to raise a weight of 10,000 lb with a maximum acceleration of 10 fps.<sup>2</sup> Determine the diameter  $d$  of the wire rope, assuming a factor of safety equal to 5, a coefficient  $C$  of 1.10, and sheaves of the following diameters,  $20d$ ,  $30d$ ,  $40d$ , and  $50d$ .

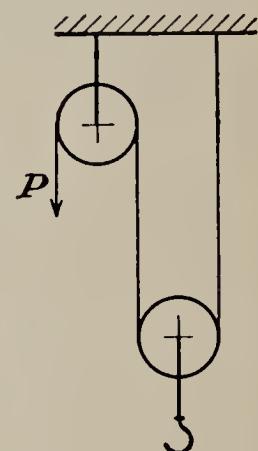


FIG. P 14-10.

**14-11.** A hoisting winch for a Maritime Commission vessel is arranged as shown in the sketch. The following data apply:

Rated load on drum cable.....	3,800 lb
Maximum load on cable.....	10,000 lb
Drum diameter for first layer of $6 \times 19$ , $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. rope.....	$16\frac{3}{4}$ in.
Motor speed (at rating).....	520 rpm
Mechanical efficiency, motor to drum.....	85 per cent

Determine the following: (a) speed of drum cable at rating; (b) horsepower of motor for rated load and speed; (c) factor of safety for cable at maximum load; (d) the load

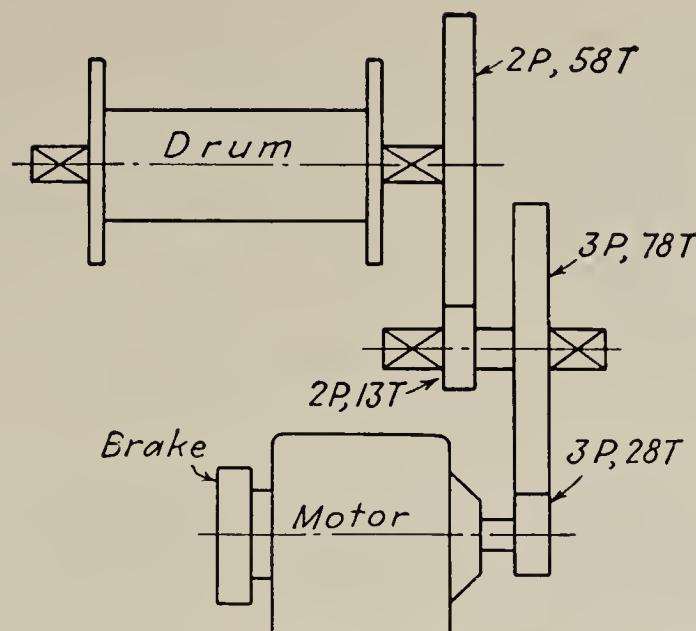


FIG. P 14-11.

that may be hoisted and the speed of hoisting, using a three-part line with  $16\frac{3}{4}$ -in. sheaves (assume that  $C = 1.076$ ); (e) the required rating of the brake in pound-feet for rated load on the winch.

- 14-12.** A hand-operated wire-rope hoist is to be arranged as shown in the sketch to raise a load  $Q = 250$  lb. The force  $F$  on the operating lever is limited to 35 lb. The lever arm  $L = 12$  in., the diameter of the drum  $A$  is 8 in., and the diameter of the sheaves is 10 in. Determine the following: (a) the number of strands of rope leading to the hook block; (b) the expression for the tension in the rope  $T$  in terms of  $Q$  and  $C$ ; (c) the factor of safety of the hoist, assuming that it is reefed with  $\frac{3}{8}$ -in.  $6 \times 19$  wire rope.

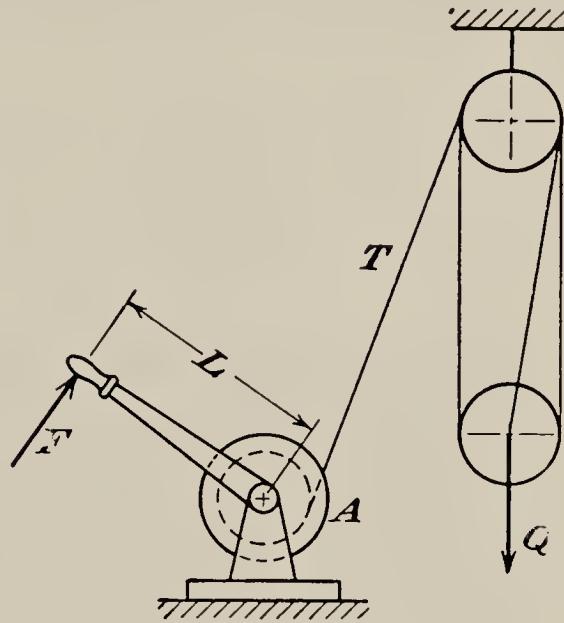


FIG. P 14-12.

### Chapter 15. Power Transmission Chains

- 15-1.** A 25-hp squirrel-cage induction motor running at 1,150 rpm is to be connected to a centrifugal pump by means of a roller chain. The pump operates at a speed of approximately 400 rpm and is located 30+ in., center to center, from the motor. A service factor of 1.2 may be assumed. Determine the pitch, width, and length of the chain you would recommend, and also the pitch diameters of the sprockets.

- 15-2.** A 10-hp motor running at 1,150 rpm is to drive a compressor through the medium of a roller chain. The compressor runs at approximately 300 rpm and is to be located 20+ in. from the motor shaft. Determine the following: (a) pitch of chain; (b) number of strands; (c) number of links; (d) pitch diameters of sprockets.

- 15-3.** It is desired to transmit 40 hp by means of a roller chain at a motor-sprocket speed of 720 rpm. The pitch diameter of the motor sprocket must not exceed  $6\frac{3}{4}$  in. Assuming uniform service 24 hr per day, determine the pitch and number of strands required for the chain.

**15-4.** A 10-hp motor running at 1,750 rpm is to drive a blower through the medium of a silent chain. The blower runs at approximately 600 rpm and is to be located 28+ in. from the motor shaft. Determine the following: (a) pitch of chain; (b) width of chain; (c) number of links; (d) pitch diameters of sprockets.

**15-5.** A ventilating fan having a delivery of 18,000 cfm when operating at 298 rpm requires 2.84 hp under these rated conditions. The fan is to be installed in a hospital where quietness of operation is essential.

The fan is to be connected to a squirrel-cage induction motor by means of a chain drive.

Assumptions:

Motor speed.....	1,160 rpm
Minimum number of teeth on small sprocket.....	19
Efficiency of chain drive.....	95 per cent

Determine the following: (a) horsepower of motor required; (b) type of chain; (c) pitch and width of chain; (d) number of teeth and diameters for sprockets; (e) length of chain.

**15-6.** A silent chain drive, as specified below, is to be replaced by a V-belt drive. Assuming that 6-in. sheaves are to be used, determine the number of B-section V belts required for the replacement drive.

Pitch.....	$\frac{3}{4}$ in.
Width.....	$1\frac{1}{4}$ in.
Sprockets.....	21 teeth
Speed.....	1,120 rpm
Velocity ratio.....	1:1

**15-7.** An 1,160-rpm motor is to be used to drive an oil-field pumping unit that requires 280 lb-ft torque at approximately 320 rpm. Assuming that a roller chain drive is to be used and that there is an efficiency of 95 per cent and a service factor of 1.5, determine the following: size of motor, number of sprocket teeth, and pitch and number of strands of chain you would recommend.

**15-8.** In a roller-chain drive arranged as shown in Fig. 15-1(c), a chemical processing unit is connected to each of the two sprockets *B*. Each of the units requires 250 in.-lb torque. The driving sprocket at *A* rotates at 100 rpm and has 11 teeth, while the sprockets at *B* have 33 teeth each. The chain is one-strand No. 41 chain. Determine the service factor for the drive.

## Chapter 16. Shaft Couplings

**16-1.** (a) Make a neat sketch of a flanged shaft coupling showing a face view and a cross-sectional view. (b) Derive expressions in terms of the torque *T* in inch-pounds for the following: the shearing stress in the shaft; the shearing stress in the coupling bolts; the bearing pressure on the bolts.

Use the following notation:

- $d$  = shaft diameter
- $R$  = radius of bolt circle
- $n$  = number of bolts
- $d_1$  = bolt diameter
- $t$  = thickness of radial flange

**16-2.** In a flanged shaft coupling having a  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. bore, it is desired that the torsional stress in the shaft will not exceed 3,500 psi. The outside diameter of the coupling is  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in. There are three  $\frac{5}{8}$ -in. bolts on a bolt circle  $2\frac{5}{8}$  in. in radius. The radial flange thickness is  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. Determine the following: (a) the horsepower that may be transmitted at 600 rpm; (b) the shearing stress in the bolts; (c) the bearing pressure on the bolts.

### Chapter 17. Clutches and Brakes

**17-1.** Assuming that the pressure is uniformly distributed over the friction surfaces in contact, derive an expression for the torque  $T$  transmitted by a plate friction clutch in terms of the coefficient of friction  $f$ , the axial force  $P$ , and the outer and inner diameters of the plates  $D$  and  $d$ , respectively.

**17-2.** Assuming that the normal wear of the surfaces in contact is proportional to the work of friction, derive an expression for the torque  $T$  transmitted by a plate friction clutch in terms of the coefficient of friction  $f$ , the axial force  $P$ , and the outer and inner diameters of the plates  $D$  and  $d$ , respectively.

**17-3.** Assuming that the normal wear of the surfaces in contact is proportional to the work of friction, derive an expression for the torque  $T$  transmitted by a cone clutch in terms of the coefficient of friction  $f$ , the axial force  $P$ , outer and inner diameters  $D$  and  $d$ , and the cone angle  $\alpha$ .

**17-4.** A multiple-disk clutch with 17 disks, 8 disks turning with one shaft and 9 with the other shaft, is rated at 25 hp at 500 rpm. The outside and inside diameters of the disks are  $5\frac{1}{2}$  and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., respectively. The coefficient of friction is 0.2. (a) Determine the axial force required to transmit the rated torque; (b) determine the pressure between the disks.

**17-5.** An automotive engine develops maximum torque at 1,000 rpm, at which speed the horsepower equals 34.6. The engine is to be equipped with a single plate clutch having two pairs of friction surfaces. (a) Using the equation for torque derived on the basis of "normal wear is proportional to the work of friction," and assuming that the coefficient of friction is equal to 0.4 and that the mean diameter of the clutch disks is  $7\frac{5}{8}$  in., determine the axial force required to apply the clutch. (b) Assuming that the allowable average normal pressure on the clutch faces is 18 psi, determine the outer and inner diameters required for the disks.

**17-6.** The large diameter and face of the disks of a multiple-disk clutch are 10 in. and 1 in., respectively. The helical compression spring used to engage the clutch has 9.5 effective coils of  $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. steel wire, the outer diameter of the coils being  $3\frac{1}{8}$  in. The free length of the spring is  $7\frac{1}{4}$  in. and when in place with the clutch engaged, its length is  $5\frac{1}{8}$  in. Assuming that there are 10 pairs of friction surfaces in contact, that the motor runs at 1,200 rpm, and that the coefficient of friction is 0.15, determine the following: (a) the axial force produced by the spring, and (b) the horsepower that the clutch will transmit.

**17-7.** Assuming that the normal wear of the surfaces in contact is proportional to the work of friction, derive an expression for the torque  $T$  that can be resisted by a single block of a flat-rim block brake for a given radial force on the block  $P$ .

Let  $b$  = width of block

$f$  = coefficient of friction

$D$  = diameter of wheel

$\theta$  = half the angle of contact of block and wheel

**17-8.** Determine the horsepower transmitted by the double-block clutch shown in the figure, assuming the following data: The drum is 10 in. in diameter and rotates at 300 rpm. The contact angle for each shoe is 90 deg and the coefficient of friction is 0.35. Assume the force on each block  $P = 285$  lb.

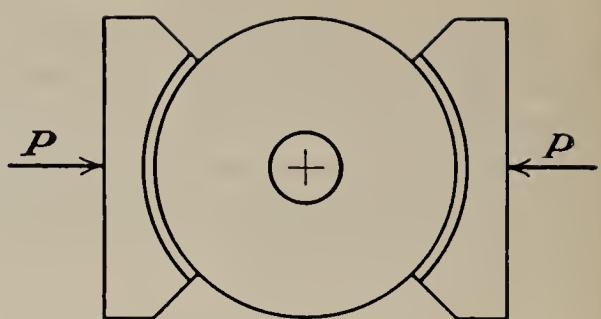


FIG. P 17-8.

**17-9.** Determine the torque that may be resisted by the single-block brake shown in the figure, assuming the following: The brake drum is 10 in. in diameter.  $a = 4$  in.;  $R = 140$  lb. The contact angle is 90 deg. Coefficient of friction between drum and lining is 0.35.

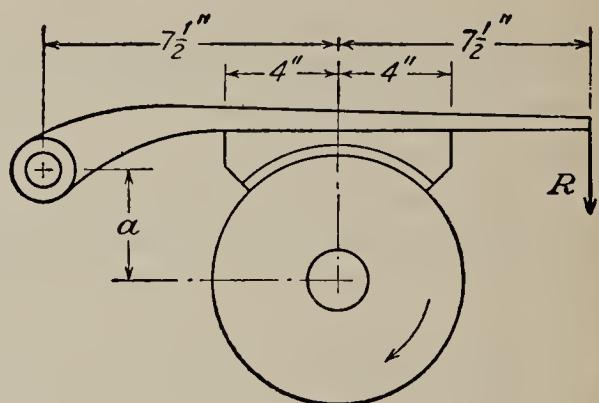


FIG. P 17-9.

**17-10.** Solve Prob. 17-9, assuming  $a = 6$  in.

**17-11.** The block brake shown in the sketch is set by a spring that produces a force  $S$  on each arm equal to 682 lb. The wheel diameter is 14 in. and the angle of contact for each block is 110 deg. Using 0.40 as a value of the coefficient of friction between the drum and lining, determine the maximum torque in foot-pounds that the brake is capable of absorbing.

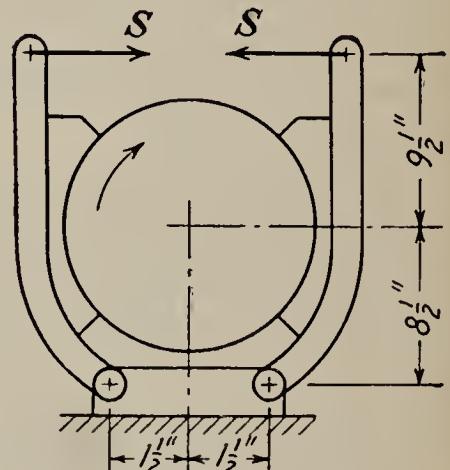


FIG. P 17-11.

**17-12.** Solve Prob. 17-11, assuming counterclockwise rotation of the wheel.

**17-13.** Solve Prob. 17-11, assuming that the  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. dimensions are changed to 7 in.

**17-14.** The wheel of the double-block spring-set brake shown in the sketch is 12 in. in diameter and the dimensions are  $a = 8$  in. and  $b = 10$  in. (a) Assuming that there is a coefficient of friction of 0.4 and that the angle of contact for each block is 110 deg, determine the spring force that is required for the brake to resist a torque of 600 lb-ft. (b) Assuming that the value of the design factor  $pV$  is 28,000 ft-lb per min per sq in. of projected bearing area and that the normal operating speed of the drum is 300 rpm, determine the width of brake shoes required.

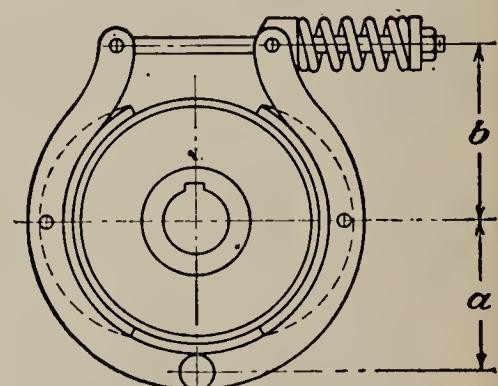


FIG. P 17-14.

**17-15.** The layout and dimensions of a block brake are shown in the figure. (a) Assuming that the coefficient of friction for the brake lining and wheel is 0.4 and that the contact angle for each block is 90 deg, determine the force  $P$  on the operating arm required to set the brake for counterclockwise rotation of the wheel, which is 12 in. in diameter. The torque on the wheel is 667 lb-ft. (b) What type and size of chain would you select?

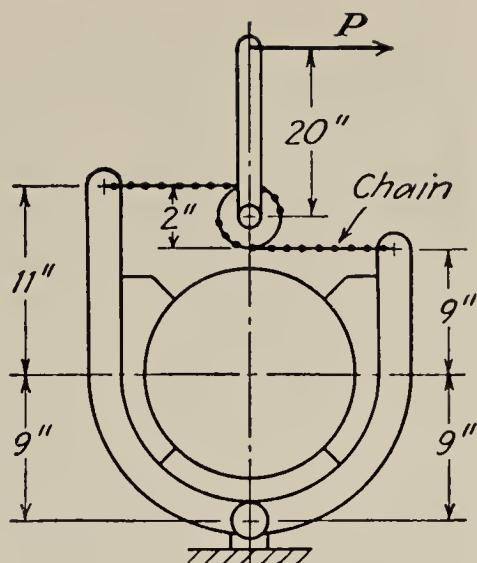


FIG. P 17-15.

**17-16.** The arrangement of a transmission brake is shown in the sketch. The arms are pivoted at  $O$  and, when force is applied at the end of the hand lever, the screw  $AB$  will rotate. The left- and right-hand threads working in nuts on the ends of the arms will move the arms together and thus apply the brake.

The force on the hand lever is applied 15 in. from the axis of the screw. The drum is 7 in. in diameter, and the angle subtended by each block is 90 deg. The screw has six square threads with a mean diameter of  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. and a lead of  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in.

Assuming a coefficient of friction for the braking surfaces that is equal to 0.30 and for the threads equal to 0.15, determine the force on the hand lever required to set the brake when the torque on the drum is 150 lb-ft.

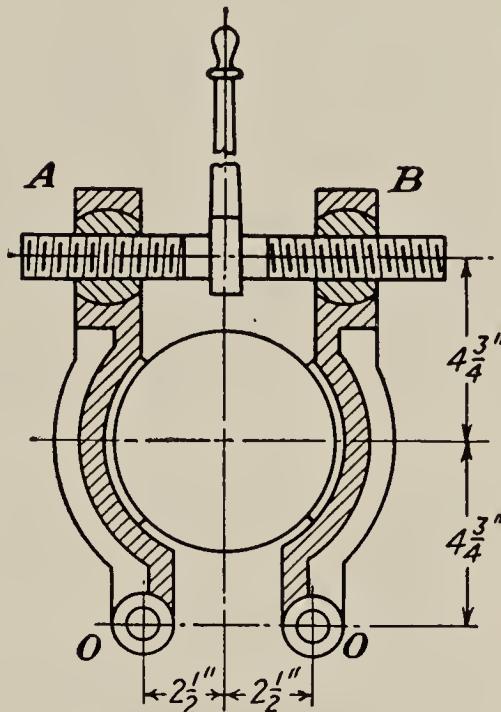


FIG. P 17-16.

**17-17.** Determine the horsepower that the block brake shown in the sketch will absorb when the drum is rotating clockwise at 60 rpm and the operating force  $S$  is 100 lb. The coefficient of friction for the materials in contact is 0.3 and the angle of contact for each shoe is 90 deg.

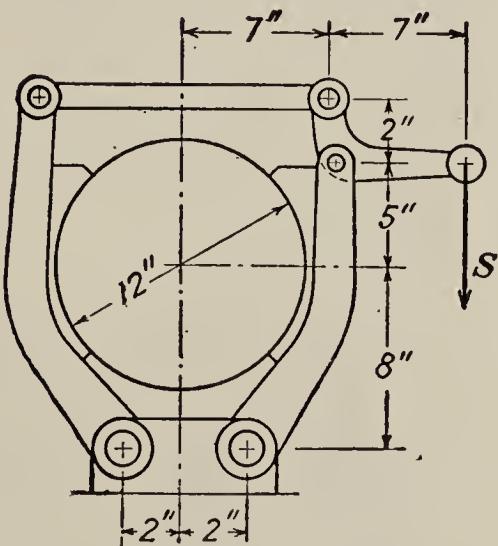


FIG. P 17-17.

**17-18.** The sketch shows the arrangement and dimensions for the preliminary design of a double block brake to be set by a spring providing a force  $S$  on the bell crank  $a$ . The brake is to have a torque rating of 2,400 ft-lb at 250 rpm. Assuming that the angle of contact for each shoe is 120 deg and that the coefficient of friction for the materials in contact is 0.35, determine the following: (a) the direction of rotation that requires the largest spring force for the rated torque and the value of the spring force  $S$  for that direction; (b) the width of shoes required, assuming  $pV = 40,000$  ft-lb per min per sq in. of projected area; (c) the ratio of shoe width to drum diameter. Is this a satisfactory ratio?

**17-19.** A 5-hp 850-rpm a-c motor is to be fitted with a centrifugal starting clutch. This type of clutch as shown schematically by the sketch is composed of the arms  $a$ , connected to the rotating armature of the motor, and two rotating shoes  $b$ . These shoes, which are identical, are faced with friction lining and they move outward by centrifugal force when the arm rotates, and, when a certain speed is reached, the force between the shoes and the ring  $c$  will produce sufficient friction to rotate the ring  $c$  against a resisting torque.

Determine the weight of each shoe required for picking up the load at the following conditions:

Torque at load pickup.....	80 per cent of torque at rated hp and speed
Speed of motor at pickup.....	600 rpm
Coefficient of friction.....	0.3
Inner diameter of ring, $d$ .....	8 in.
Radius to center of gravity of shoe, $r$ .....	3 in.
Arc of contact of each shoe.....	90 deg

**17-20.** A slip coupling, as shown in Fig. 16-11, is designed to slip when the load on the driven member becomes excessive. The pressure on both faces of the flange, which is part of the hub  $a$ , is produced by a number of springs, such as the one shown at  $c$ . Using the data given below, determine the deflection with which each spring must be set up in order that the coupling will slip at a torque corresponding to 20 per cent overload on a 250-hp motor running at 300 rpm. Use the equation based on the assumption that the normal wear is proportional to the work of friction.

Outer diameter of friction disks.....	31 in.
Inner diameter of friction disks.....	19 in.
Number of bolts and springs.....	12
Coefficient of friction (assumed).....	0.14
Spring rate for each spring per inch.....	2,500 lb

**17-21.** The backstop shown schematically in Fig. P 17-21 is used to prevent backward rotation of the shaft. A sector is pivoted at  $O$ , and one end of the band is

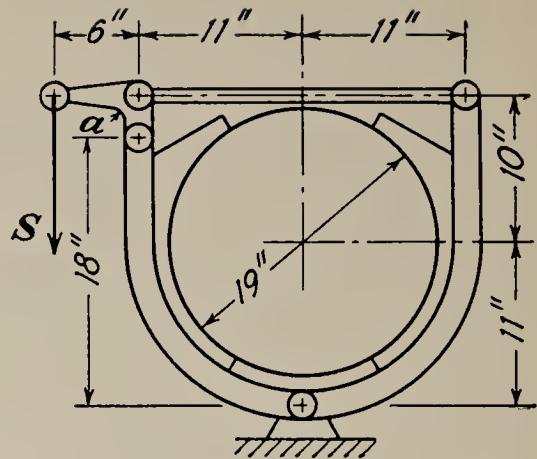


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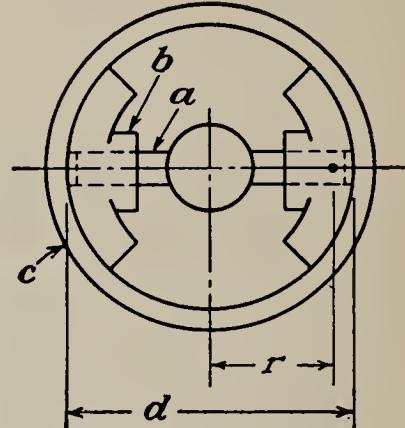


FIG. P 17-19.

attached to it and operates at a radius  $r_2 = 2\frac{1}{4}$  in. The other end of the band is attached at point  $a$  so that  $Oa = r_1 = 1$  in. The diameter of the wheel is  $8\frac{1}{4}$  in., the angle of wrap is 270 deg, and the width of the band is  $2\frac{1}{8}$  in. The torque on the wheel is 300 lb-ft. Assuming a coefficient of friction between the band and wheel equal to 0.2, determine the following: (a) the maximum band tension, (b) the maximum pressure between the band and wheel, and (c) whether the backstop is self-locking.

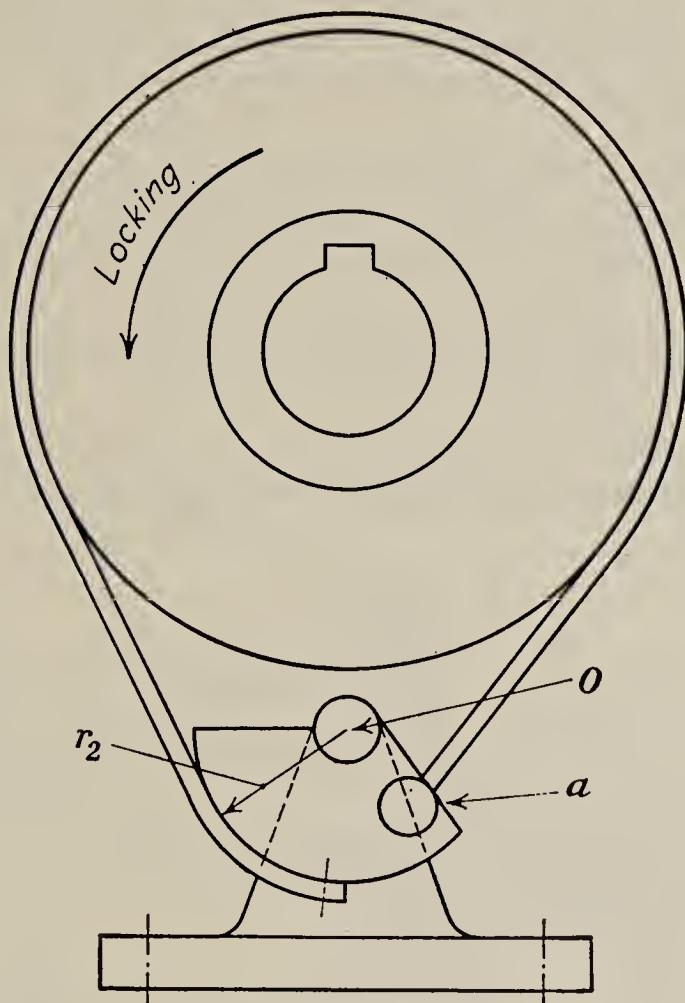


FIG. P 17-21.

**17-22.** For a band brake similar to that shown in Fig. 17-15, determine (a) the torque in foot-pounds on the wheel for a force  $A$  on the operating lever equal to 20 lb (assume that the wheel is 9 in. in diameter,  $a = 8$  in.,  $b = 10$  in., angle of contact  $\theta = 210$  deg, and the coefficient of friction  $f = 0.2$ ), and (b) the time in seconds required to bring to rest a drum having  $WR^2$  equal to  $225 \text{ lb-ft}^2$  rotating initially at 200 rpm.

### Chapter 18. Spur and Parallel Helical Gears

**18-1.** The layout of a drum hoist driven by an 1,160-rpm motor through double-reduction gears is shown by the sketch. The speed reduction between the motor shaft  $A$  and the intermediate shaft  $B$  is 4:1, and between shaft  $B$  and the drum shaft  $C$  is 5:1. The drum is 24 in. in diameter and the maximum cable load is 5 tons.

*a.* Determine the torque in foot-pounds and the speed in rpm for shafts  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ , and enter the results in the table below. The efficiency of each gear reduction is 95 per cent.

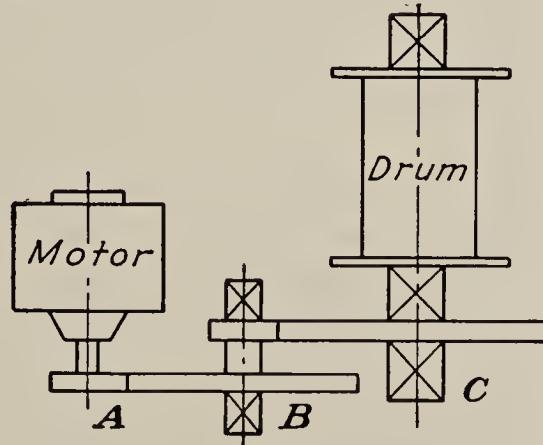


FIG. P 18-1.

Shaft	A	B	C
Torque, foot-pounds			
Speed, rpm			

b. Complete the table below.

	A to B (4 : 1)		B to C (5 : 1)	
	Pinion	Gear	Pinion	Gear
Diametral pitch				5
Number of teeth	24			
Pitch diameter	4			30

- c. What horsepower of motor would you recommend?  
d. If a spring-set brake is used to control the load, on which shaft, A, B, or C, would you attach the brake?

**18-2.** The two-speed hoisting winch shown by the sketch is to be rated at 3.5 tons on the drum cable at 100 fpm with the low-speed gears engaged. Data regarding the

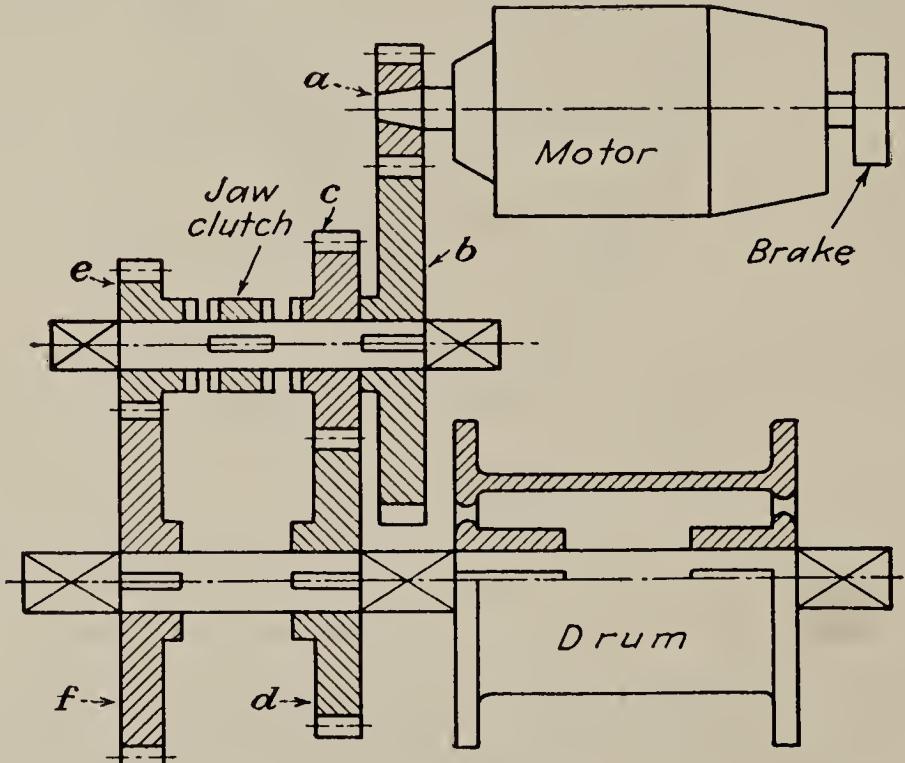


FIG. P 18-2.

gears are shown in the table. (a) Copy the table, and enter values to complete it; (b) determine the speed of the motor, assuming that the pitch diameter of the drum is  $21\frac{3}{4}$  in.; (c) determine the horsepower of the motor required, assuming a 50 per cent overload capacity and a 97 per cent mechanical efficiency for each pair of mating gears.

Gear	a	b	c	d	e	f
Number of teeth	15	75	32		13	71
Diametral pitch	$2\frac{1}{2}$		2		2	
Pitch diameter						

**18-3.** (a) Make a neat sketch of a loaded gear tooth showing the tangential load  $W$ , the inscribed parabola, and the dimensions of the tooth necessary for the derivation

of the Lewis equation. (b) Assuming that a gear tooth is equivalent to a cantilever beam of uniform strength, derive an equation for the tangential load  $W$  in terms of the face width  $F$ , the circular pitch  $p$ , maximum stress  $s$ , and the Lewis form factor. (c) How is the allowable stress related to the static stress  $s_0$ ?

**18-4.** It is required to determine the proportions of a pair of spur gears to transmit 40 hp from a shaft running at 250 rpm to a parallel shaft with a speed reduction of 3:1. The center-to-center distance of the shafts is 15 in. (a) Determine the pitch diameters of the pinion and the gear. (b) Assuming that the pinion is made of untreated SAE 1030 steel, the gear is cast steel, the teeth are full-depth 20-deg involute teeth, determine by the use of the Lewis equation the diametral pitch, the face width, and the number of teeth for the gears.

**18-5.** Two parallel shafts are to be connected by means of spur gears to transmit 7.5 hp from 1,150 rpm of the high-speed shaft to the low-speed shaft with a reduction in speed of 5:1. The following assumptions may be made:

Pinion.....	SAE 1045 (hardened, 21 teeth)
Gear.....	cast steel
Teeth.....	AGMA 20-deg involute stub

By the use of the Lewis equation, determine the diametral pitch, pitch diameters, and face width.

**18-6.** A cargo winch is driven by a 35-hp 480-rpm motor through the medium of a single reduction of spur gearing so that the speed of the drum is approximately 57 rpm.

Using the Lewis equation, determine the diametral pitch, pitch diameters, and face width.

Assume the following:

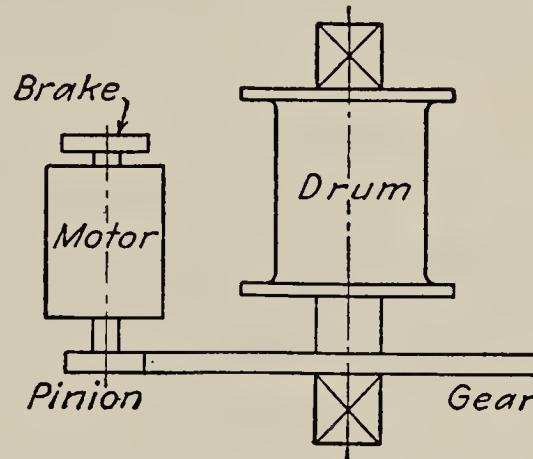


FIG. P 18-6.

Teeth.....	AGMA 20-deg stub
Pinion.....	SAE 1040, forged steel
Gear.....	cast steel
Number of pinion teeth.....	22
Maximum load on motor.....	150 per cent rating

**18-7.** A straight spur pinion made of SAE 1040 steel is to be keyed to the shaft of a 15-hp 1,140-rpm motor, and is to drive a gear made of ordinary cast iron. The speed reduction is to be 6:1. Assuming 20-deg involute stub teeth and 24 teeth on the pinion, determine the following: (a) which of the gears has the weaker teeth; (b) the value of the constant in the equation for the induced stress, *i.e.*,  $s_{ind} = ( )P^3$ ; (c) the diametral pitch and pitch diameters; (d) the face width.

**18-8.** Using the data and results for Prob. 18-7, determine the following: (a) the dynamic load on the teeth, assuming class 2 cut; (b) the maximum stress corresponding to the dynamic load and the required Bhn for the gears, assuming steady load conditions; (c) the value of the load-stress factor and the required Bhn for the gears.

**18-9.** A 15-hp 1,140-rpm motor is to be connected to a drive shaft by means of a pair of spur gears having a speed ratio of pinion to gear equal to 6. The gear teeth are to be of 20-deg involute stub form. The pinion is to have 24 teeth made of SAE 1040 steel and the gear of medium-grade cast iron. (a) Determine the diametral pitch, the pitch

diameters, and face width of the gears by the use of the Lewis equation. (b) Assuming steady-load conditions of service, determine the class of gears, and state if the cast iron as assumed will be of satisfactory grade. (c) Determine the Bhn required for the gears.

**18-10.** Values may be assigned or adopted for  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$  in this problem.

The following data apply to a single-reduction speed reducer having a pair of straight spur gears:

Rated horsepower.....	$A$ _____
Pinion speed.....	$B$ _____ rpm
Velocity ratio.....	$C$ _____ to 1
Form of teeth.....	20-deg stub

a. Assuming SAE 2320 pinion, SAE 1040 untreated gear, and a minimum of  $D$ \_\_\_\_\_ teeth on the pinion, determine by the use of the Lewis equation the following: (1) diametral pitch of the teeth; (2) pitch diameters of the gears; (3) face width.

b. Assuming steady load conditions and class 2 gears, determine the Bhn required for the pinion and gear on the basis of dynamic loading.

c. Determine the Bhn required for the pinion and gear on the basis of wear.

d. Enter recommended values for the speed reducer in the table below.

	Diametral pitch	Pitch diameter	Face	BHN
Pinion				
Gear				

**18-11.** Values may be assigned or adopted for  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$ ,  $E$ , and  $F$  in this problem.

The following data apply to a single-reduction speed reducer having a pair of straight spur gears:

Rated horsepower.....	$A$ _____
Pinion speed.....	$B$ _____ rpm
Velocity ratio.....	$C$ _____ to 1
Form of teeth.....	20-deg stub

(a) On the basis of 150 per cent rating and using SAE numbers for pinion as  $D$ \_\_\_\_\_ and gear as  $E$ \_\_\_\_\_ and a minimum of  $F$ \_\_\_\_\_ pinion teeth, determine by the use of the Lewis equation the following: (1) diametral pitch of the teeth, (2) pitch diameters of pinion and gear, and (3) face width of the gears. (b) On the basis of 150 per cent rating and for steady-load conditions and class 2 cut, determine the Bhn required for the pinion and gear on the basis of dynamic loading. (c) On the basis of 100 per cent rating, determine the Bhn required for the pinion and gear on the basis of wear. (d) Enter recommended values for the speed reducer in a table similar to that given below:

	Diametral pitch	Pitch diameter	Face	BHN
Pinion				
Gear				

**18-12.** A parallel helical gear 10 in. in diameter having 20-deg involute stub teeth and a helix angle of 30 deg carries a torque of 3,000 lb-in. Determine the tangential

and radial components of the load on the teeth in the plane of rotation, the axial component of the load on the teeth, the angle of obliquity in a plane normal to the pitch element of a tooth, and the resultant load on the teeth.

**18-13.** A 15-hp motor runs at 1,170 rpm and drives a ventilating fan through a gear reduction having a velocity ratio of 4:1. The gears are to have 20-deg involute stub teeth. The pinion is to be made of Micarta and the gear is to be made of cast iron. Assuming 24 teeth on the pinion, determine the diametral pitch, pitch diameters, and face width of the gears using the Lewis equation.

**18-14.** The shaft of a wire-pulling machine rotates at 1,800 rpm and is required to transmit a torque of 800 lb-in. from a gear located at one end of the shaft to a flexible coupling at the other end. The bearings that support the shaft are 30 in. apart and the gear is located 4 in. outside its adjacent bearing, center to center. The gear is driven by a driving gear from a motor with a 1:1 velocity ratio. (a) Determine the horsepower of motor to be specified. (b) Assuming that the gears have 18 teeth of 20-deg full-depth form and made of SAE 1035 steel, determine, by the use of the Lewis equation, the diametral pitch, pitch diameters, and face width of the gears you would recommend. (c) Using an allowable shearing stress of 5,000 psi, determine the shaft diameter you would recommend.

**18-15.** A hotel-restaurant belt-conveyor system is to be driven by a 2-hp 870-rpm motor through a gear train having a velocity ratio of 4:1. Assuming a starting overload of 20 per cent, a Micarta pinion having at least 26 teeth, cast-iron gear, and 20-deg full-depth teeth, determine by the use of the Lewis equation the diametral pitch, pitch diameters, and face width you would recommend.

**18-16.** A reciprocating compressor system is to be driven by an 870-rpm motor through a pair of straight spur gears. The compressor operates at approximately 220 rpm at a running torque of 1,300 lb-in. Assume a starting overload of 20 per cent, 20-deg full-depth teeth, 30 teeth on the pinion, and SAE 1045 and 1030 for the pinion and gear, respectively, and determine your recommendations for the horsepower of the motor, diametral pitch, pitch diameters, and face width for the gears.

**18-17.** In the line shaft shown in Fig. P 18-17, a belt runs over the pulley *A* which is 36 in. in diameter and rotates at 320 rpm. The belt tensions are  $F_1 = 1,500$  lb and  $F_2 = 1,000$  lb. (a) Assuming the pinion *B* is to be made of SAE 1020 steel and with eighteen  $14\frac{1}{2}$ -deg teeth, determine the diametral pitch, face width, and diameter required by the Lewis equation. (b) Assuming an allowable shearing stress equal to 6,000 psi, determine the diameter of shaft to be specified.

**18-18.** Refer to data for Prob. 14-11. (a) Assuming that the motor pinion and its mating gear have a face width equal to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in. and are made of SAE 1025 steel, would you regard the gears as satisfactory, based on the Lewis equation? (b) Determine the diameter of the intermediate-speed shaft that is required (see sketch Fig. P 18-18). (c) How would you anchor the cable to the drum? Use sketch.

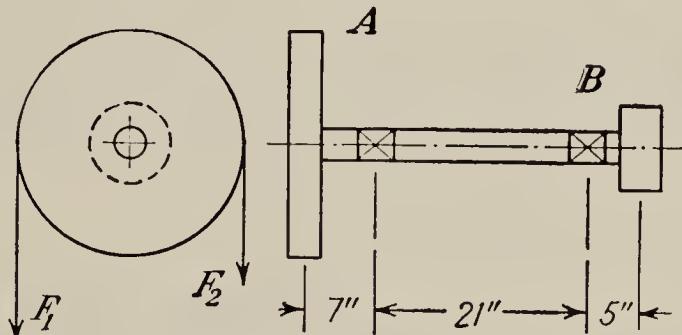


FIG. P 18-17.

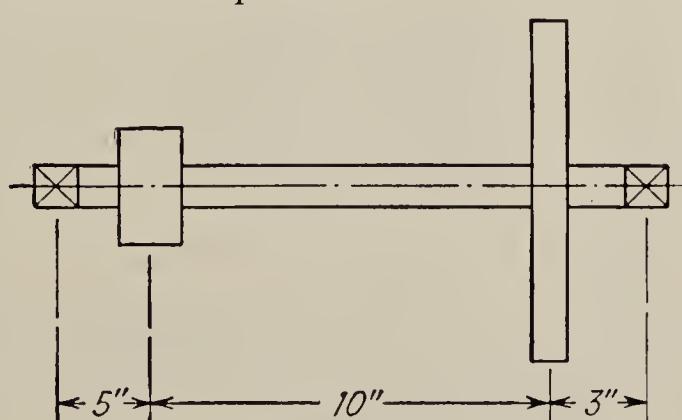


FIG. P 18-18.

**18-19.** Assume that you are planning the design of a drive to connect the rotating drum of a cement kiln to a motor. The drum is to rotate at approximately 20 rpm and the speed of the motor is 1,160 rpm. Assume that it is reasonable to consider V-belt drive, roller chains, and/or gears in any combination of any one, two, or all three for the drive. (a) Make a neat sketch showing the layout of the drive you would propose. (b) Specify the speed ratios, belt-sheave diameters, numbers of sprocket teeth, and/or numbers of gear teeth in the combinations you propose in the drive. (c) Assume that the loaded drum has a high  $WR^2$ , how would you provide for starting?

### Chapter 19. Gears for Nonparallel Shafts

**19-1.** Make a neat sketch of a bevel-gear tooth having large pitch radius  $R$ , pitch-cone element  $L$ , and face width  $F$ . Derive an equation for the tangential load  $W$  in terms of the maximum stress  $s$ , circular pitch  $p$ , Lewis form factor  $y$ , and  $F$  and  $L$ .

**19-2.** Derive an equation for the resultant tooth load  $W_0$  and the radius at which it acts.

**19-3.** Design the full-depth  $14\frac{1}{2}$ -deg teeth of a pair of straight bevel gears to transmit 20 hp at 1,250 rpm of the pinion. The velocity ratio should be about 3.5 and the pinion should have 18 teeth. Determine the diametral pitch, face width, pitch diameters, and pitch-cone angles for the gears.

### Chapter 20. Surface Finish, Friction, and Wear

**20-1.** For a roller supporting a load  $W$  and rolling on a surface, derive the equation for the coefficient of rolling friction,  $a = Fr/W$ , where  $r$  is the roller radius and  $F$  is the rolling force applied to the axis of the roller.

NOTE: Draw a free-body diagram for the roller. What are the units of the coefficient of rolling friction?

**20-2.** A load of 4,000 lb rests on cast-iron rollers 8 in. in diameter that roll over a wooden floor. The load is supported by steel rails that rest on the rollers. Assuming the coefficients of rolling friction between the cast iron and steel and the cast iron and wood as 0.02 and 0.10, respectively, determine the force required to move the load.

NOTE: Draw a free-body diagram for a roller. Determine the work expended for each revolution of the rollers.

### Chapter 21. Sliding Bearings and Lubrication

**21-1.** The following data apply to a lubricated bearing:

Load on bearing.....	785 lb
Speed of journal.....	360 rpm
Diameter of journal.....	3 in.
Length of journal.....	6 in.

Assume a clearance of 0.001 in. per in. of diameter, oil No. 9 in Fig. 21-16, oil temperature \_\_\_\_\_ deg F, and ambient temperature of 60 F. Determine the following: (a) the actual value  $ZN/p$ ; (b) coefficient of friction; (c) heat generated in foot-pounds per minute; (d) heat dissipated in foot-pounds per minute; (e) assumed temperature to give thermal equilibrium.

**21-2.** A 3-in. shaft rotates at 1,000 rpm. One of the bearings carries a load of 1,000 lb. (a) If the bearing is an average industrial journal bearing 4 in. long, lubricated with SAE 40 oil, maintained at a film temperature of 160 F, and having a diametral clearance of 0.003 in., determine the friction horsepower. (b) If the bearing is a ball bearing, with a coefficient of friction of 0.002, and if it is assumed that the frictional force acts at the radius of the shaft, determine the friction horsepower.

**21-3.** The following data apply to an average industrial unventilated journal bearing for a generator:

Load on journal.....	500 lb
Speed of journal.....	870 rpm
Diameter of journal.....	1½ in.
Length of journal.....	2½ in.

Assume a clearance ratio of 0.001, oil No. 6 (Fig. 21-16 in text), and a room temperature of 60 F. The maximum operating temperature  $t_0$  of the oil film is expected to be 140 F. (Note that the value for absolute viscosity  $Z$  at 140 F has been determined as 23.4 centipoises.) Determine whether fluid friction may be expected and whether artificial cooling is necessary, and if so, the heat to be removed in units of foot-pounds per minute.

**21-4.** A 15-hp 300-rpm centrifugal pump has two identical journal bearings, described below:

Journal diameter.....	3 in.
Bearing length.....	3½ in.
Load on journal.....	250 lb
Clearance ratio $c/d$ .....	0.001
Ambient temperature.....	60 F
Average industrial unventilated bearing	

Assuming oil No. 9 (Fig. 21-16), determine whether the bearings may be expected to operate under conditions of thick-film lubrication. If so, determine the probable operating temperature and the power loss for the two bearings expressed in per cent of the total horsepower.

NOTE: To obtain the approximate equilibrium temperature, the heat-generation and heat-dissipation curves may be assumed to be straight lines.

**21-5.** The following data apply to an average industrial unventilated journal bearing for a generator: load on bearing = 800 lb, speed = 870 rpm, diameter = 1½ in., length = 2¼ in.

Assume a clearance ratio of 0.001 in. per in., oil No. 6 in Fig. 21-16, and a room temperature of 60 F. The maximum operating temperature  $t_0$  of the oil film is expected to be 140 F. The value for the absolute viscosity  $Z$  at 140 F has been determined as 23.4 centipoises. Determine whether fluid lubrication may be expected in the bearing, whether artificial cooling is necessary, and, if so, the heat to be removed in units of foot-pounds per minute.

### Chapter 22. Rolling-contact Bearings

**22-1.** A bearing is to carry a radial load of 500 lb and a thrust of 300 lb. The service imposes light shock and the bearing will be in use 40 hr per week for 3 years.

The speed of the shaft is 1,000 rpm. Determine the size of medium-series ball bearing that should be used.

### Chapter 23. Metal Fits and Tolerances

**23-1.** A cast-steel crank having a hub whose outer diameter and length are 7 in. and 6 in., respectively, is to be shrunk on the end of a steel shaft. The bore in the crank is 4 in. and the shaft is 4.004 in. in diameter. Neglecting the effect of the crank arm on the stresses, determine the following: (a) the radial pressure that is acting between the shaft and hub; (b) the tangential stress that is induced in the crank; (c) the temperature to which the crank must be heated in order that it may be slipped on the shaft. Assume a room temperature of 70 F, a coefficient of expansion for steel of 0.0000063, and a diametral clearance of 0.002 in.; (d) the maximum force required to press the crank off the shaft and the corresponding work in foot-pounds. Assume a coefficient of friction of 0.15.

### Chapter 24. Vibration and Vibration Control

**24-1.** A 2-hp 1,200-rpm motor weighing 108 lb is mounted on four springs, each of which has a spring constant of 1,000 lb per in. The motor is mounted so that it can move only in a vertical direction. Determine the natural frequency of the system.

**24-2.** A 1,750-rpm motor and its support weighs 640 lb and is supported on four springs, each having a spring rate of 15,000 lb per in. A damping device is used that has a damping constant of 200 lb sec per in. The rotor has become unbalanced to the extent that a periodic force for which  $P_0 = 150$  lb caused the motor to vibrate. Assuming that the unbalanced force acts through the center of gravity of the motor and that the motor vibrates only in the vertical direction, determine the following:  $\omega_n$ ,  $x_0$ , and  $F$  for undamped and damped vibration, and enter the results in a table as shown below.

	Units	Undamped	Damped
$\omega$	rad per sec		
$\omega_n$	rad per sec		
$x_0$	in.		
$F = kx_0$	lb		

**24-3.** A 5-hp motor weighing 228 lb operates at 1,760 rpm. The motor is to be mounted on four springs so that 90 per cent reduction in transmitted force (*i.e.*, 10 per cent transmissibility) will be secured. Assuming that the effect of damping at the operating speed may be neglected, determine (a) the required natural frequency of the system in cycles per minute, (b) the static deflection of the motor in inches, and (c) the spring rate of each spring in pounds per inch. If an equivalent unbalanced weight of 1 oz is located centrally on the rotor at a radius of 8 in., determine (d) the maximum force transmitted to the base at operating speed.

**24-4.** A motor which weighs 30 lb and rotates at 1,150 rpm has a vertical shaking force equal to 5 lb due to an unbalanced rotor. The motor is mounted on two steel cantilevers placed side by side of depth  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. and width  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. The distance between

the motor center line and the support is 24 in. Determine the maximum stress in the cantilevers.

### Chapter 26. Design-room Problems

**26-1. Cotter joint.** In Fig. P 26-1 is shown a common form of cotter joint used to connect rods that are subjected to axial loads. This joint is rugged, is dependable, may be easily connected and disconnected, and on reconnection the rods assume their original alignment. The joint is used where ruggedness is essential and where the bulkiness of the joint is not objectionable.

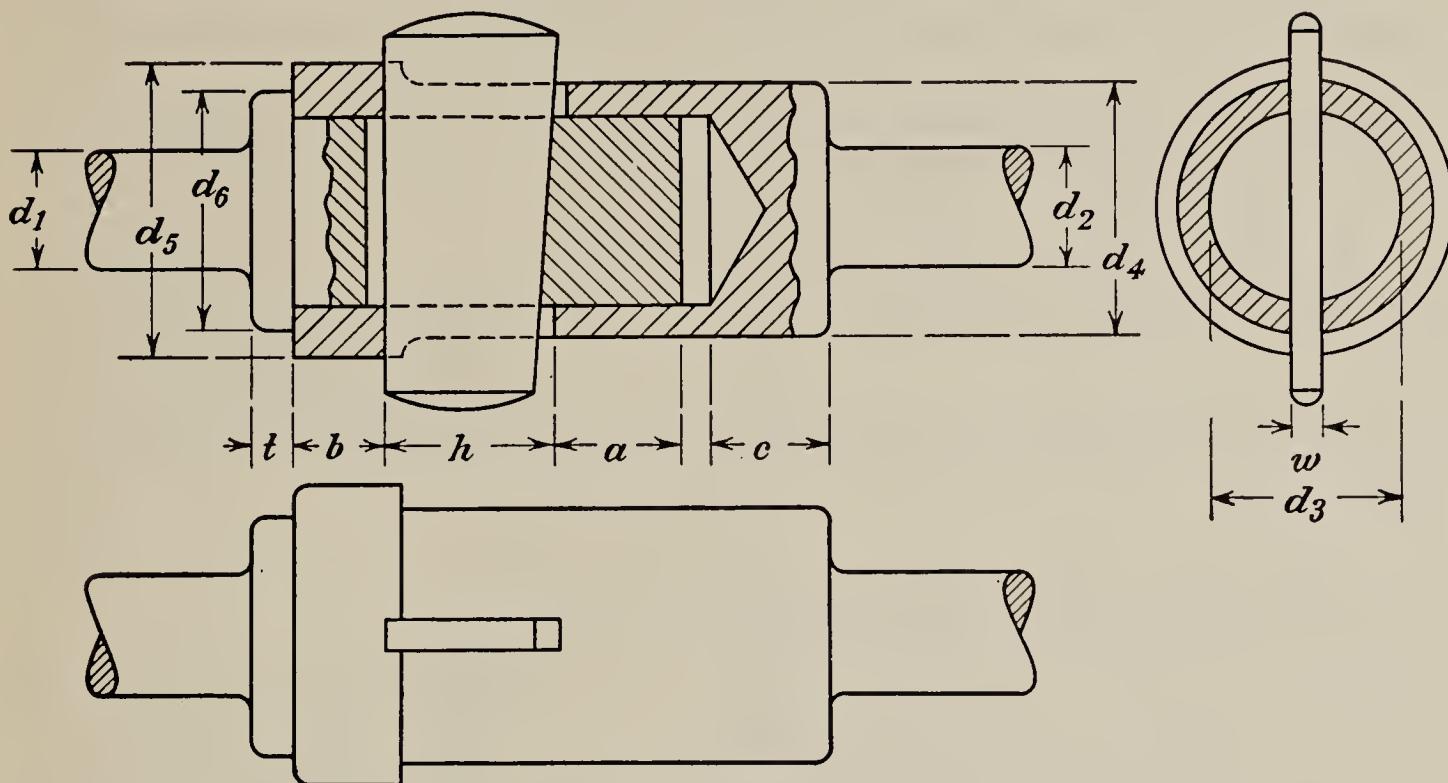


FIG. P 26-1.

Specifications: 1. Materials. The materials of the rod end, the socket, and the cotter and the allowable stresses (pounds per square inch) are as follows:

	Rod end, mild steel	Socket, wrought iron	Cotter, machinery steel
Tension or compression.....	5,000	4,000	6,000
Shear.....	2,500	2,000	4,000
Bearing.....	10,000	10,000	12,000

2. Load. The joint is to be designed to support a tensile or compressive load equal to \_\_\_\_ lb. (Assign 2,000, 3,000 or 4,000 lb.)

3. Assumptions. The thickness of the cotter may be taken as one-fourth the diameter of the rod end. The taper of the cotter should be  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. per ft. Allow clearances at the cotter equal to  $\frac{1}{16}$  in., and clearance between the rod end and the bottom of the hole in the socket equal to  $\frac{1}{8}$  in.

4. Procedure. Determine the dimensions as follows:

- |                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 1. Steel rod, $d_1$              | 7. Socket in tension across slot, $d_4$ |
| 2. Wrought-iron rod, $d_2$       | 8. Socket and cotter in bearing, $d_5$  |
| 3. (a) Rod end in tension, $d_3$ | 9. Socket end in shear, $b$             |
| (b) Rod end in bearing, $d_3$    | 10. Socket in shear, $c$                |
| 4. Thickness of cotter, $w$      | 11. Collar in bearing, $d_6$            |
| 5. Width of cotter, $h$          | 12. Collar in shear, $t$                |
| 6. Rod end in shear, $a$         | 13. Length of key (from sketch)         |

5. Sketch. Make a neat undimensioned freehand sketch approximately to scale (full size) of a side view of the joint in section and a plan view showing the outside.

**26-2. Flanged shaft coupling.** Specifications: This problem will consist of the design of a two-piece, flanged shaft coupling of cast iron for a given diameter of shaft. Starting with the diameter of the shaft, the design will be developed by working from the inside outward.

1. Size. The diameter of the shaft is  $2\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $2\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $3$ ,  $3\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $3\frac{3}{4}$ , or  $4$  in. (Assign one.)

2. Proportions of hub and key. It is impossible to proportion the hubs of gears, pulleys, clutches, and couplings rationally. They are invariably proportioned empirically. The following equation is frequently used in determining the outside diameter of hubs of gears, pulleys, couplings, etc. (see Fig. P 26-2).

$$D_1 = 1\frac{3}{4}D + \frac{1}{4}$$

where  $D_1$  = outside diameter of hub, in.

$D$  = diameter of shaft, in.

The length of the hub is fixed by the length of key. Select the size of key required and specify its dimensions.

The key is to be made without taper, and a cup-pointed setscrew is to be used. The diameter of the setscrew should be somewhat less than the width of the key. To reduce hazard and to comply with safety requirements, a socket-head setscrew should be used. Give specifications for the setscrew and the tap drill size for the setscrew hole.

3. Coupling bolts. The number of bolts may be fixed empirically by the following formula:

$$n = \frac{2}{3}D + 3$$

where  $n$  is the number of bolts.

So that each bolt may take its share of the load, finished bolts fitted to reamed holes must be used. The size of the bolts will first be obtained by assuming that the shaft and bolts are of the same material and that the bolts are as strong in direct shear as

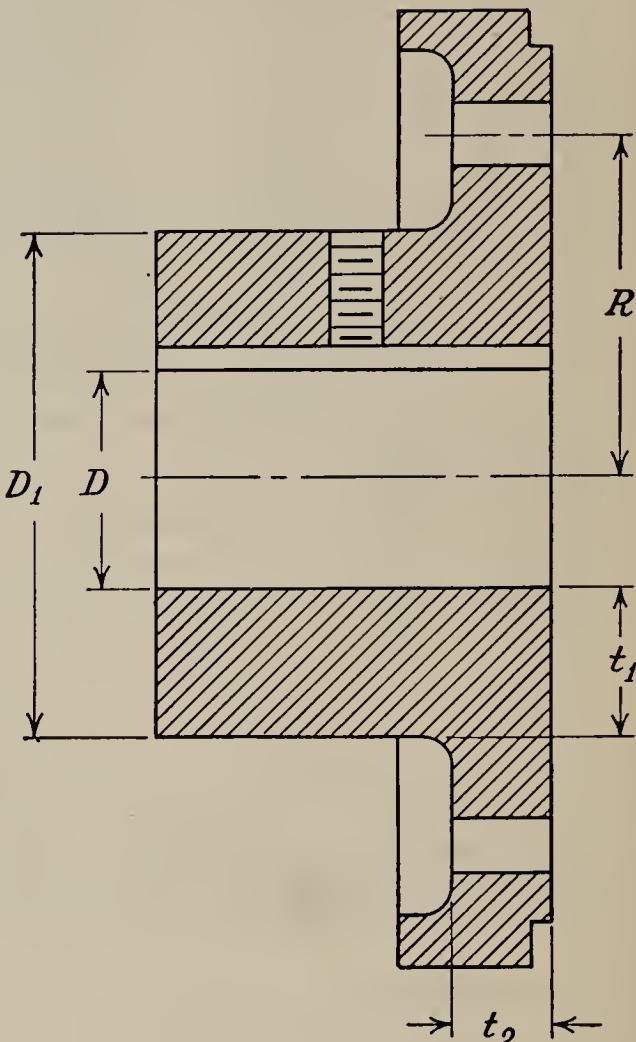


FIG. P 26-2.

the shaft in torsion, the friction between the halves of the coupling being neglected. To determine the size of the bolts, it is necessary to have the radius  $R$  of the bolt circle. This radius depends on the diameter of the head of the socket wrench, which, in turn, depends on the unknown diameter of the bolts. The diameter  $D_2$  of the head of the socket wrench in terms of the diameter  $d$  of the bolt is

$$D_2 = 1.85d + \frac{5}{16}$$

and the radius of the bolt circle is

$$R = \frac{D_1}{2} + \frac{D_2}{2} + \text{clearance}$$

The clearance between the head of the socket wrench and the hub may be taken as  $\frac{3}{16}$  in. On substituting  $R$  in terms of  $d$  in the expression for the direct shear of the bolts and placing this in terms of the torque on the shaft, the diameter of the bolts may be determined by trial. Having the diameter of the bolts, the radius of the bolt circle may be determined.

The bolts must also be of such size that they will not be overstressed when setting up the nuts. The equation in Art. 9-6 may be used with a value of  $k = 10,000$  to 12,000 lb per in.

It may be assumed that the bolts are of SAE 1025 to 1030 steel. The setting-up stress may be assumed as three-fourths the yield strength. If the diameter found should exceed that obtained by the first method, the radius of the bolt circle must be altered accordingly.

Before reaming, a hole is drilled undersize to provide a small amount of material for sizing and hole alignment. Specify the drill size, reamer size, and spot-face diameter. In order that the holes may register perfectly, they should be reamed with the halves of the coupling assembled.

4. Coupling flanges. For good casting design, the change in thickness from the hub to the radial flange should not be too great. A satisfactory finished thickness  $t_2$  for the radial flange in terms of thickness  $t_1$  of the hub is

$$t_2 = \frac{t_1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}$$

For safety in operation and to comply with the safety code, the halves of the coupling are to be provided with circumferential flanges to function as guards for the boltheads and nuts. The thickness of the circumferential flange should be not less than one-half that of the radial flange. The inside diameter of the circumferential flange should be determined so that the boltholes are located midway between the flange and the hub. Determine the outside diameter of the coupling.

To provide for automatic alignment, one-half of the coupling is to be counterbored and the other turned to fit. The depth of the counterbore should be sufficient for the machinist to establish a fit without difficulty, and therefore should not be less than  $\frac{3}{16}$  in. The height of the male boss should be  $\frac{1}{32}$  in. more than the depth of the counterbore to ensure contact of the faces. Provision should be made for "one-position" assembly of the coupling halves.

Before beginning the drawing, the following dimensions should be computed: (a) spot-face thickness, (b) length of bolts, and (c) length of thread.

5. Drawing. Title: "(Size) Flanged Shaft Coupling." A complete detail of the halves of the coupling is to be made on  $17 \times 22$  in. sheet. A bill of material is to be placed above the title.

**26-3.** Bench-model press. Hand-operated presses of this type are used for general-purpose work, including pressing for force fits of gears, pulleys, sprockets, couplings, bushings, and dowels and also for straightening or bending shafts, rods, and tubes. The press should be rugged and trouble free.

Specifications:

Maximum load =  $2\frac{1}{2}$  tons

Clearance, ram to base plate, maximum = 20 in., minimum = 6 in.

Throat = 10 in.

Diameter of handwheel = 10 to 18 in.

Maximum tangential force on handwheel at  $\frac{3}{4}$  load = 60 lb (30 lb for each hand)

Materials are as follows: frame, cast iron; screw, SAE 1030 steel; bushing, bronze; base plate, 1015 steel.

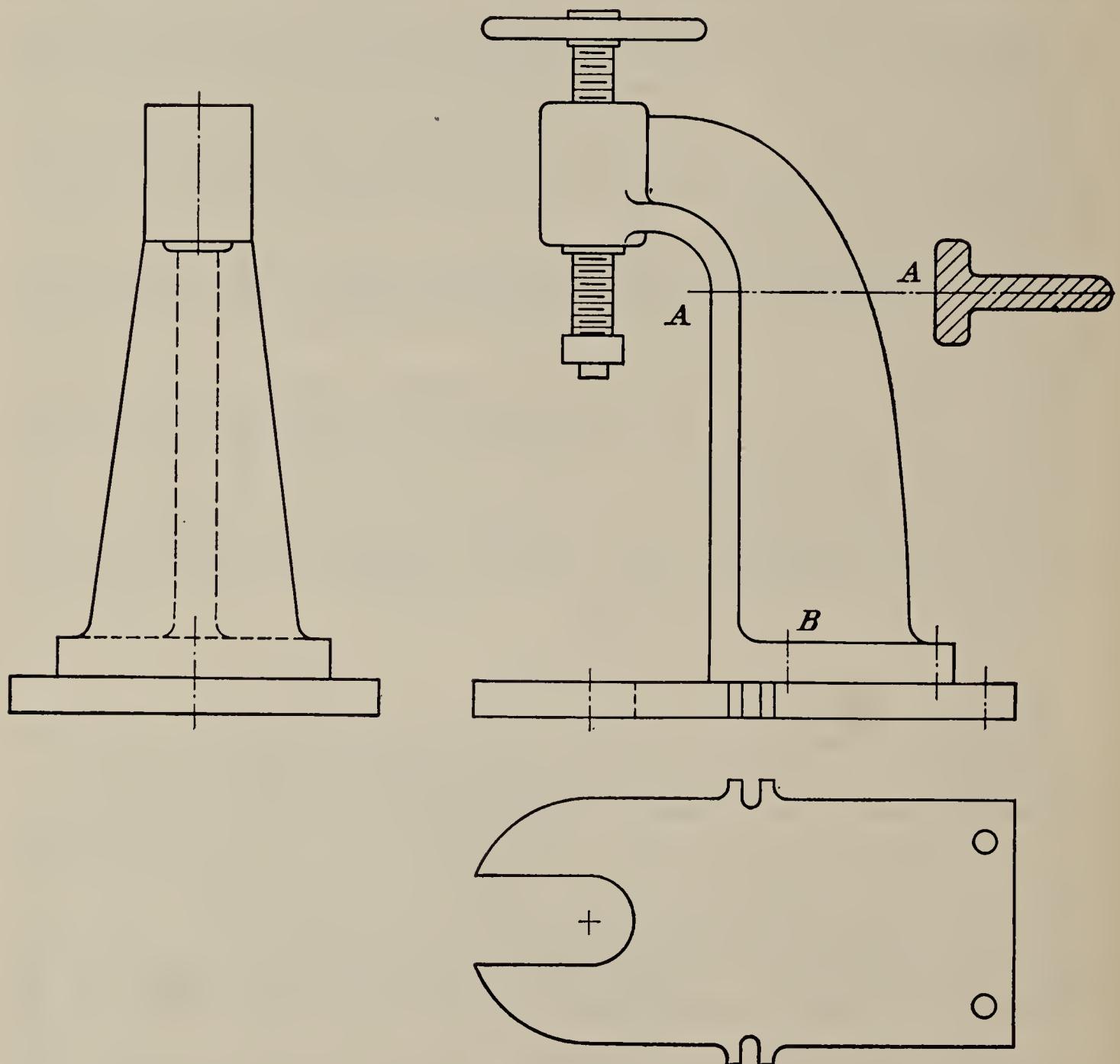


FIG. P 26-3.

Procedure. 1. Screw. (a) Determine the root area of the screw, select type of thread, and determine its size. A compressive stress of 10,000 psi may be used for the screw. (b) Design the collar, using removable collet. (c) Check the force on the handwheel. The coefficient of thread and collar friction may be assumed as 0.1.

2. Determine the length of the nut, considering an allowable bearing pressure of 1,500 psi and a shearing stress for bronze of 3,000 psi. Provide for lubrication.

3. Make a detail sketch of the head including the screw, bushing, collet, and handwheel.

4. Frame. (a) It will be sufficient to calculate the dimensions of the frame at section *AA* in the figure. Assume dimensions for the frame at this section, and check the induced tensile and compressive stresses against allowable values in tension of 8,000 psi and in compression 32,000 psi. (b) Determine the size of bolts required at *B* to hold the frame against the base plate. For rebound, use two small bolts at the back of frame.

5. Base plate. Determine the thickness required for bending and provide for hold-down bolts.

6. Sketch. Make a neat, undimensioned, freehand sketch to scale of the assembly on an  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$  in. sheet, showing a side view and a front view of the press.

7. Determine the approximate weight of the press.

**26-4. Capstan.** A motor-driven capstan, as shown in Fig. P 26-4, is composed of a drum driven by a motor through a worm drive. A rope is wound around the drum so that when the drum rotates, a load  $F_1$  may be moved by the application of a comparatively small force  $F_2$  produced manually on the free end of the rope. The connected end of the rope may be used to spot a railroad car, haul an anchor, dock a ship, for dragging operations in the field, etc.

The operation of the rope around the drum is similar to a belt drive where contact is several turns around the drum.

In the capstan shown, the maximum load  $F_1$  is to be 3,000 lb and the manually applied force  $F_2$  is limited to 40 lb.

a. Assuming a coefficient of friction for the rope against the drum equal to 0.3, determine the number of turns or wraps of the rope required.

b. Assuming that the capstan is rated at a load of 2,500 lb at a velocity of 50 fpm, determine the horsepower of motor to be specified. Assume a duty cycle.

c. If the diameter of the drum is 10 in. and it is desired to use an 1,160-rpm motor, determine the over-all speed reduction between the motor and drum.

d. What approximate percentage of the work to move the load is provided by the operator?

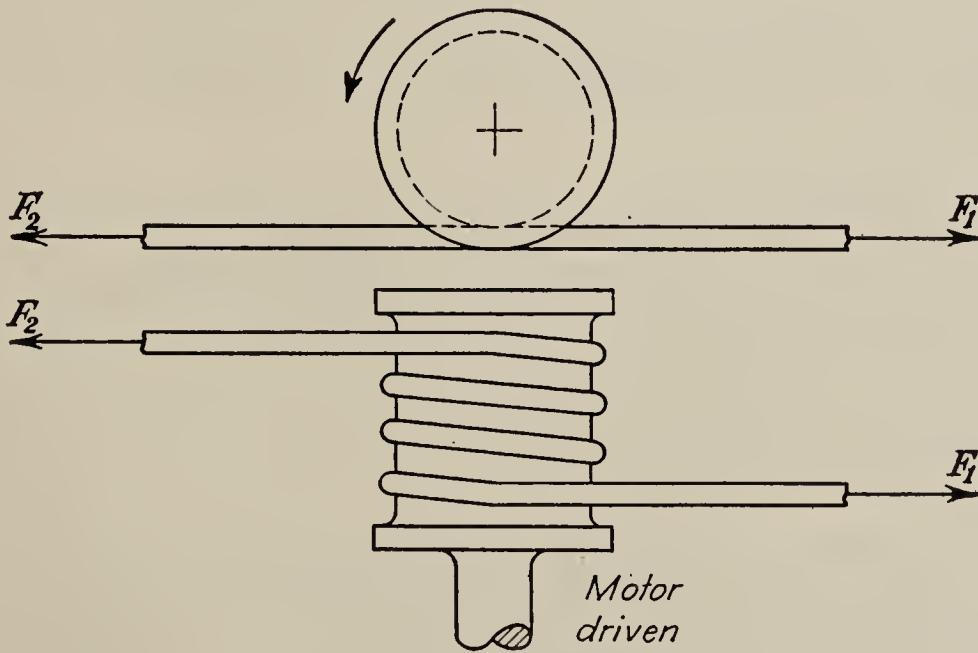


FIG. P 26-4.

**26-5. Gears and brake.** A motor-driven, geared drum hoist, as shown in Fig. P 26-5(a), has a spring-set, double-block brake attached to the motor shaft. The arrangement of the brake and its dimensions are shown at (b).

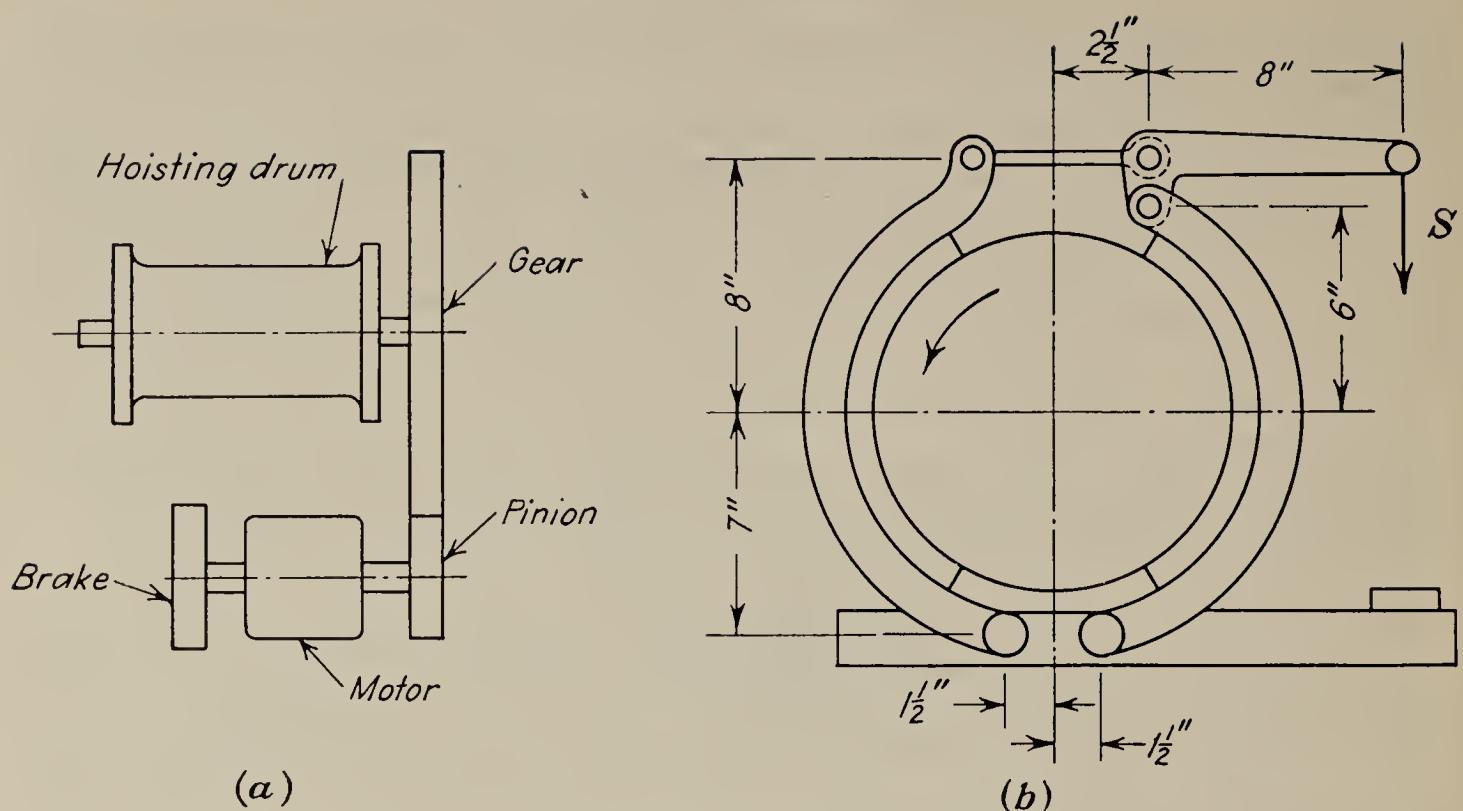


FIG. P 26-5.

Data:

Rated load on hoisting cable.....	1,000 lb
Diameter of hoisting drum.....	12 in.
Number of teeth on pinion.....	24
Number of teeth on gear.....	72
Form of teeth.....	20-deg stub
Material of pinion.....	SAE 1030
Material for gear.....	Untreated 20 points C cast steel
Motor speed.....	570 rpm
Brake-drum diameter.....	10 in.
Angle of contact for each shoe.....	120 deg
Coefficient of friction for brake.....	0.40

Determine the following:

- The size of motor required using class D, squirrel-cage induction motor (see Fig. 25-1). For duty cycle, full load for 6 sec, rest for 1 min.
- The diametral pitch, pitch diameters, and face width for the gears.
- The spring force required to set the brake for a torque on the drum of 1 lb-in.
- The spring force required to set the brake for rated load on the cable.
- The width of brake shoes required for a  $pV$  value of 30,000 ft-lb per sq in. of projected area.

**26-6. Belt conveyor.** A 20-in. belt conveyor in which the belt is supported by 2-in.-diameter steel rollers is 100 ft long and runs at 200 fpm of the belt. The conveyor is horizontal except for an inclined run (20-ft horizontal projection) to raise the belt from the loading level 2 ft above the floor to the 7-ft unloading level. At the unloading end is a metal platform with a 45-deg baffle to unload the material sideways.

The capacity of the hoist is to be six thousand 100-lb bags or boxes per hour. The friction for the rollers may be assumed as 10 per cent of the weight on the belt.

- Make a sketch of the layout of the conveyor.

b. Assuming an 1,160-rpm induction motor and 24-in. belt sheaves, determine the over-all speed reduction for the drive and indicate the various reductions, i.e., belt, chain, gears, etc., and speed ratio of each.

c. Assuming the efficiency of each reduction is 95 per cent, determine the size of motor to be recommended using class C squirrel-cage induction motor for continuous rating.

**26-7.** Traveling stairs. In Fig. P 26-7 is shown a sketch of the elevation.

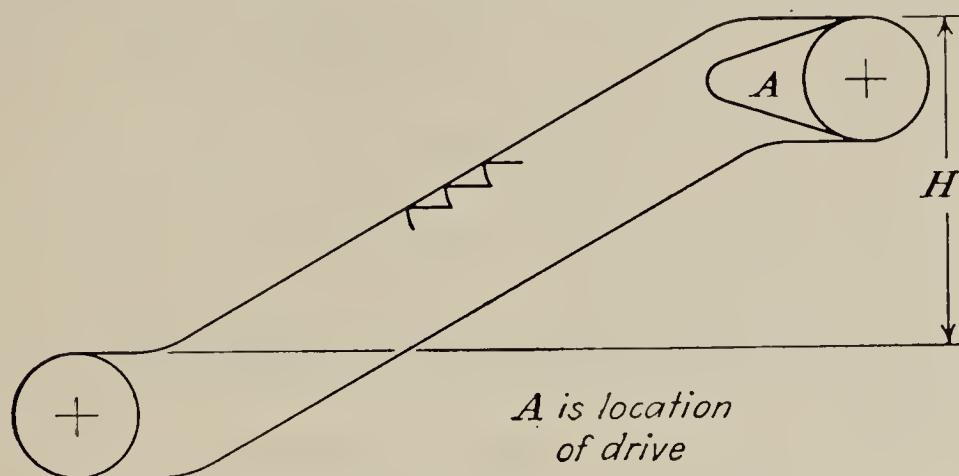


FIG. P 26-7.

**Data:**

Capacity = 7,500 persons per hour

Width of stairs = 42 in.

Speed of stairs = 125 fpm

Rise  $H$  = 20 ft

Angle of incline = 30 deg

Number of steps = 44 on incline and 2 at each landing

Tread = 11 in.

Diameter of sprocket = 36 in.

Speed reductions:

1. V belt (efficiency 97 per cent)
2. Helical gears (efficiency 98 per cent)
3. Spur gears (efficiency 97 per cent)

Brake is located on shaft for large V-belt pulley.

**Assumptions:**

Average weight of each passenger including luggage is 175 lb.

One person per step at full load

Coefficient of friction for stairs = .05

Motor speed = 1,170 rpm

**Determine the following:**

**Horsepowers**

- a. For raising passengers (potential energy)
- b. For accelerating passengers (kinetic energy)
- c. For friction
- d. For motor selection at continuous rating

**Speed reductions**

- e. Over-all, motor to sprocket
- f. Recommended for belt and gears

Required torque capacity for brake or backstop in foot-pounds at 50 per cent overload

**26-8.** Single-reduction parallel helical-gear speed reducer. 1. Specifications. It is required to design a single-reduction, parallel helical-gear speed reducer having a 3:1 speed ratio and capable of transmitting the full-load rating of a \_\_\_\_-hp 1,150-rpm motor. (Assign 10, 20, or .30.)

a. *Gearing.* The gears are to be of the single helical type and made of the following materials:

Pinion.....	SAE 3140, chrome-nickel steel
Gear.....	SAE 1040, mild steel

b. *Shafting.* The shafts are to be made of SAE 1045 forged steel in the as-rolled condition.

c. *Bearings.* The bearings must be of the rolling-contact type and must be protected against dust and leakage of oil.

d. *Lubrication.* Adequate lubrication of the gears and bearings must be provided by a simple and positive splash system which will circulate the oil from a reservoir located in the housing.

e. *Housing.* The housing is to be made of a good grade of cast iron and designed to enclose all moving parts properly. The upper part of the housing must be removable without disturbing the bearing alignment, and provision must be made for interchanging the shaft extensions from left to right, or vice versa. A suitable cover plate must be provided to facilitate casual inspection of the gears and for replenishing the lubricant in the reservoir. An air vent in the top of the housing and an oil drain and level indicator at the bottom must be provided.

f. *General.* In designing the speed reducer, the following factors should be given consideration: rigidity, weight, accessibility, compactness, appearance, and cost of manufacture. The problem will consist of a set of computations and a 17- by 22-in. drawing.

2. Preliminary sketch. Designers find that their thinking is greatly stimulated if when beginning a new design a freehand sketch is made of the proposed machine. The sketch will frequently indicate the procedure to be followed in making the computations as well as provide a place to record any ideas that may come to mind. Many helpful suggestions may be secured by studying the literature of manufacturing companies of similar equipment. With the aid of any available literature and any original ideas, draw a neat freehand sketch of your proposed design.

3. Gears. The following data may be assumed:

Helix angle.....	23 deg
Form of teeth.....	20-deg involute stub
Minimum number of pinion teeth.....	24
Face width.....	3.5 times circular pitch or AGMA minimum, whichever is greater

Electric motors will deliver under starting conditions around 200 per cent rated torque. In the design of the gears for strength the overload torque may be used. For wear of the gears, the rated torque may be used because for the major portion of the operating life the motor operates at rated conditions rather than at starting conditions.

a. Determine the diametral pitch, pitch diameters, and face width, using the Lewis equation.

b. Assuming steady load conditions, determine the minimum required Brinell hardness numbers for pinion and gear.

c. Determine the load-stress factor and the minimum surface hardness for the pinion and gear based on wear of the teeth.

d. Specify the core and surface hardness of pinion and gear and required heat treatment.

e. Check the AGMA thermal rating for the reducer.

4. High-speed shaft and bearings. The shaft and bearings are subjected to thrust and radial loads caused by the gears, to overhanging loads caused by the driven pulleys or gears, and to torsion due to the power being transmitted.

It is reasonable to make the tentative assumption that the maximum bending moment on the shaft due to the overhanging load is 150 per cent of the maximum torque on the shaft.

The bearings should be selected with an expected life of 5 years operating 7 days each week at 10 hr per day.

a. Make a neat sketch of the shaft showing the gear, bearing mountings, bearing cover, and oil seals.

b. Compute the minimum size of the shaft at the bearing adjacent to the shaft extension.

c. Tentatively select bearings.

d. Determine the bearing span. Allow generous clearance between the pinion and the housing, and locate the bearing so that it is fully supported in the housing.

e. Compute the length of the shaft extension measured from the bearing centers, allowing 2 in. for the cover, seals, etc., and record all known dimensions on the sketch.

f. Compute the tangential, radial, and axial forces exerted by the pinion and the overhanging load.

g. Determine the force on the most heavily loaded bearing due to the pinion tooth loads and the overhanging load. Assume that the reaction due to the latter is in the same direction as the resultant reaction due to pinion tooth loads.

h. Determine the required bearing capacity, and check whether the tentative bearing selection is satisfactory.

i. Make a sketch of the bearing showing its principal dimensions.

j. Select an oil seal and record the catalogue number, manufacturer, and its principal dimensions.

k. Assume the bore of the pinion to be the nearest nominal dimension above the bearing bore, determine the size of key.

5. Low-speed shaft and bearings. Because the torque and bending moments vary inversely as the speed, the low-speed shaft may be designed by simple proportion. Develop the equation for this proportion in terms of the speed ratio, and determine the minimum shaft size. Follow the same procedure for the low-speed shaft, as outlined for the high-speed shaft.

6. Housing. a. Design the housing, observing the various factors and limitations referred to in the specifications.

b. Suggestions. Thickness of housing wall  $\frac{5}{8}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. Provide ample clearance inside of housing for all moving parts, not less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. around the gears. Provide suitable floor flanges. Provide suitable stiffening ribs on the housing walls. Use  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. to  $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. screws for fastening housing top. Use  $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. to  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. screws for fastening bearing retainers.

7. Drawing. Make a one-half size undimensioned assembly drawing of the speed reducer. Show two views, one side view and a top view. The top view should show the cover removed with the gears and one bearing and mounting on each shaft in section. The title of the drawing should be

— Horsepower  
Single-reduction Speed Reducer  
Assembly

**26-9.** Shaft deflection. Lay out the shaft and loading force vectors for the shaft shown in Fig. P 26-9 and, by graphical methods, determine the following: (a) bending-moment diagram, (b)  $M/EI$  curve, (c)  $dy/dx$  curve, (d)  $y/x$  curve, (e) maximum deflection, (f) critical speed, and (g) deflection within the bearings.

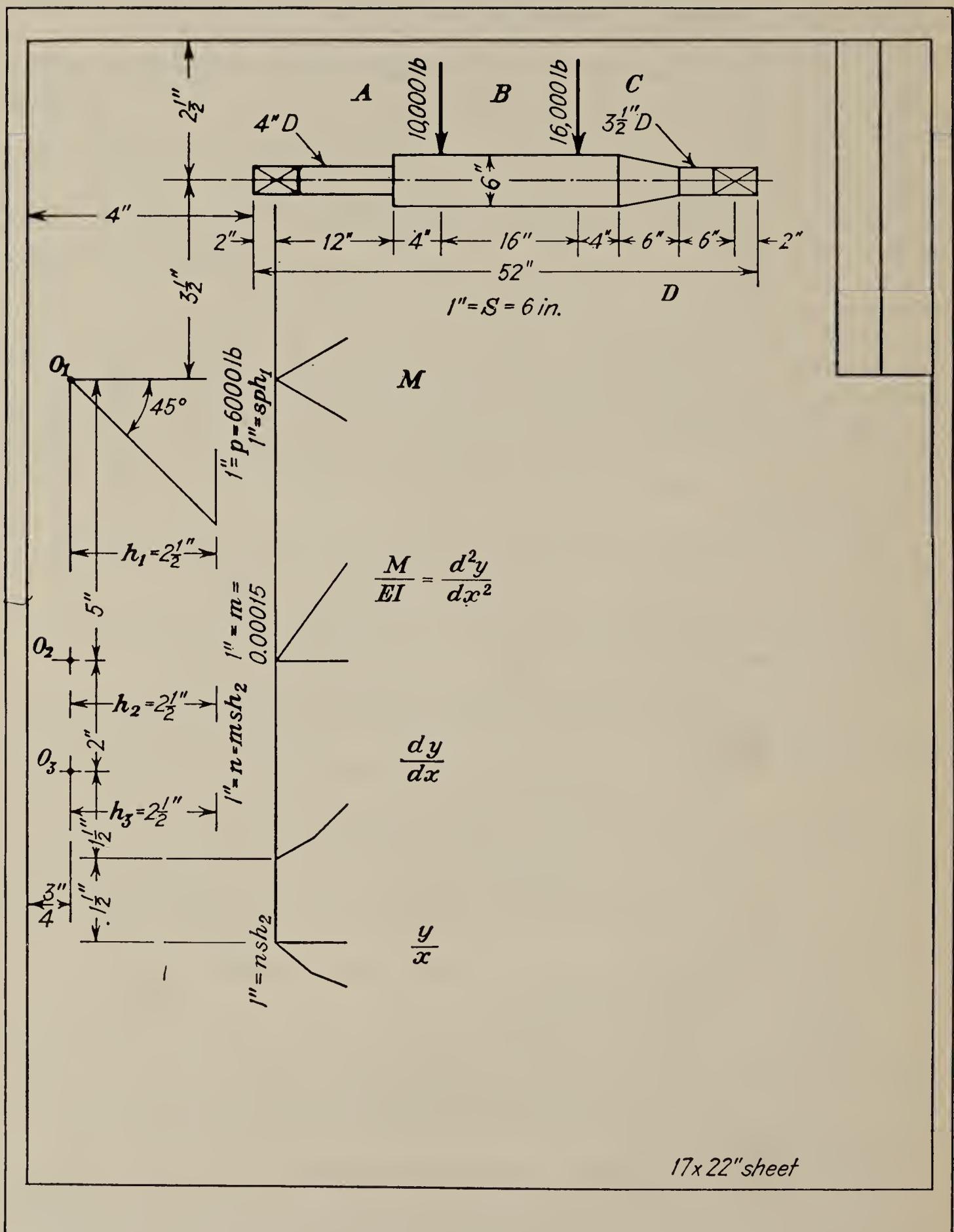


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