

**MEG 401: DESIGN II**

**CHAPTER 1 PART B**



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## • 1.1 Design of keys

### SPECIAL-PURPOSE KEYS

The following keys are used for undertaking very heavy or very light torques:

1. Kennedy's keys
2. Saddle key
3. Tangent key

For the transmission of heavy torques, two square keys, rather than one, at right angles to each other, as shown in Fig. 1-4 are used. The arrangement is known as Kennedy's keys.

The torque is equally divided between two keys.

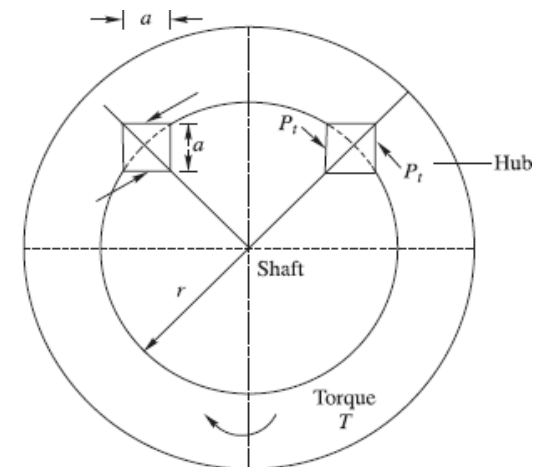
Tangential force on each key

$$P_t = \frac{T}{2r} = \frac{T}{d} \quad \text{.....[1]}$$

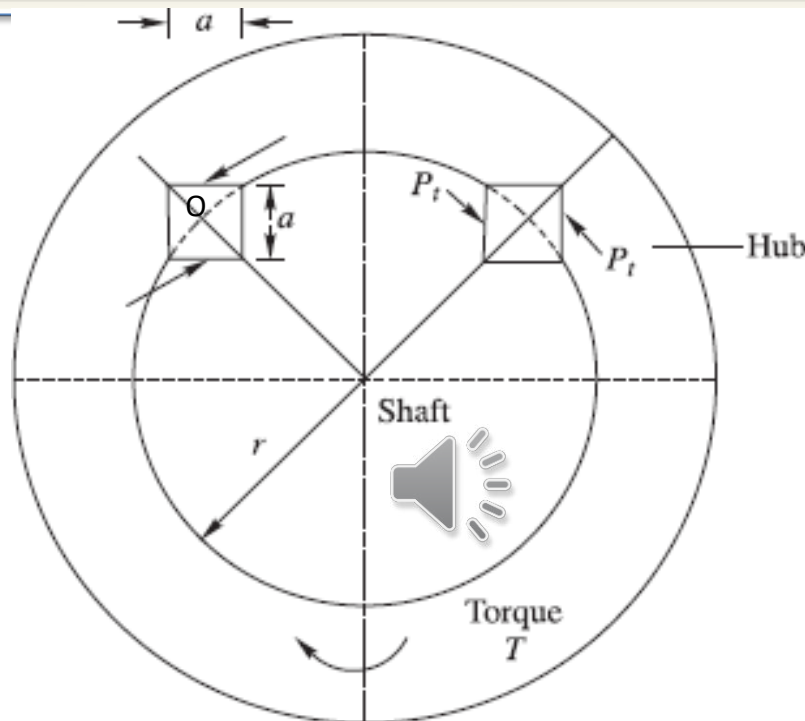
where,  $d$  is diameter of the shaft.

The key section is square,  $a \times a$ . Sav. length of key is  $l$ .

Area of the key under shear  $= \sqrt{2}al \quad \text{.....[2]}$



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**Figure 1-4** Transmission of heavy torque by two square keys

$$\text{Area of the key under bearing pressure} = \frac{\sqrt{2}a}{2} \times l = \frac{al}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \dots\dots[3]$$

from [1] and [3] .... Bearing stress developed in key  $\sigma_b = \frac{P_t \times \sqrt{2}}{al} = \frac{T}{d} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{al} \quad \dots\dots[4]$

from [1] and [2] .... Shearing stress developed in key  $\tau = \frac{P_t}{\sqrt{2}al} = \frac{T}{d} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}al} \quad \dots\dots[5]$

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If  $\sigma_a$  and  $\tau_a$  are allowable bearing stress and allowable shearing stress, respectively, for the material, then:

$$\text{Factor of safety against shear failure} = \frac{\tau_a}{\tau}$$

$$\text{Factor of safety against crushing failure} = \frac{\sigma_a}{\sigma_b}$$

**Example 1-2** Kennedy keys of 12 mm  $\times$  12 mm are used to connect a shaft of 50 mm diameter, transmitting 40 kW at 360 rpm. The keys are made of 40 C 8 steel with  $\sigma_{yt} = \sigma_{yc} = 380 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . Taking a factor of safety of 3, determine the required length of the keys.

**Solution:**

$$N = 360 \text{ rpm}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi \times 360}{60} = 37.7 \text{ rad/sec}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Torque transmitted } T &= \frac{\text{Power}}{\omega} = \frac{40 \times 1000}{37.7} \\ &= 1061 \text{ Nm} \\ &= 1061 \times 10^3 \text{ Nmm} \end{aligned}$$

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Shaft radius  $r = 25$  mm

Tangential force per key  $P_r = \frac{T}{2r} = \frac{1061 \times 10^3}{2 \times 25} = 21,220$  N .. from [1]

Section of the key =  $12 \times 12$  mm

Length of the key =  $l$  mm

$$\sigma_{yt} = \sigma_{yc} = 380 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\text{FOS} = 3$$

$$\sigma_{\text{allowable}} = \frac{380}{3} \text{ MPa} = 126.66 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\tau_{\text{allowable}} = 0.577 \times \frac{380}{3} = 73.1 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Section of key under shear =  $\sqrt{2} \times 12 \times l \text{ mm}^2$  .. from [2]

$$= \sqrt{2} \times 12 \times l \times 73.1 = P_t = 21220 \text{ N} \text{ .. from [5]}$$

$$l = \frac{21220}{\sqrt{2} \times 12 \times 73.1} = 17 \text{ mm}$$

Taking allowable bearing stress  $\sigma_a = 126.66 \text{ N/mm}^2$

$$\text{from [4] .... } P_t = \frac{\sigma_a \times 12 \times l}{\sqrt{2}} = 126.66 \times 12 \times \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}$$

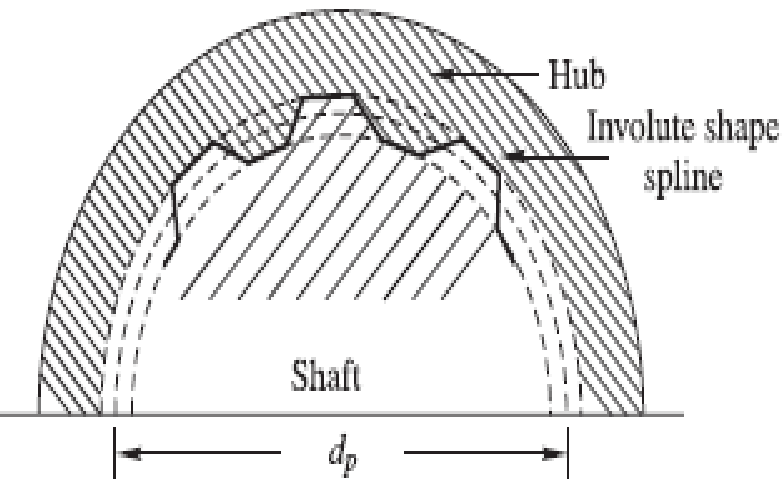
$$\text{Length of key } l = \frac{21220 \times \sqrt{2}}{126.66 \times 12} = 19.74 \text{ mm}$$

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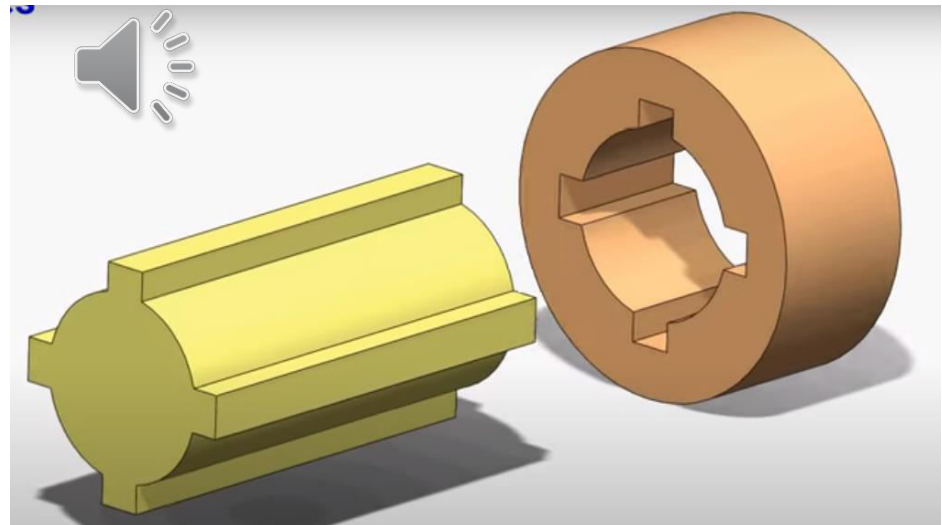


## • 1.1 Design of Splines

For more torque transmission, splines are used in place of keys. These are built-in tooth-like keys formed on the outside of the shaft, and inside the hub. Earlier, splines were of trapezoidal section, with the depth of the section at the shaft less than the depth of the section at the hub. Therefore, a shaft section was weaker than a hub section. Nowadays involute splines are used (see [Fig. 1-5a](#)). In this form, *the depth of the spline section at the shaft is more than the depth of the spline section at the hub*. The standard, involute spline-tooth forms have a  $20^\circ$  pressure angle. Standard splines can have from 6 to 50 teeth.



[Fig. 1-5a](#)



[Fig. 1-5b](#)

## • 1.1 Design of Splines

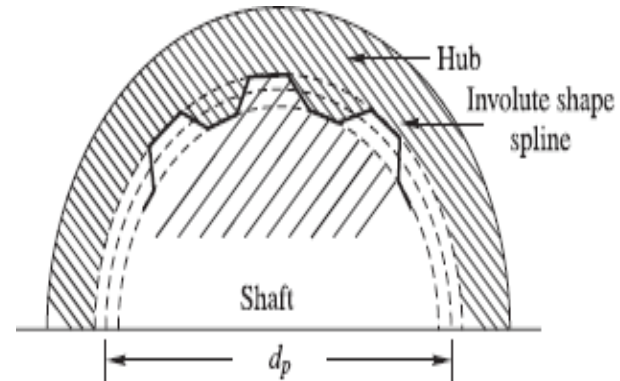
Splines provide maximum strength at the root of tooth, accuracy of tooth form, and superior machined surface finish. Splines can accommodate large axial movements between the shaft and the hub, and at the same time transmit torque. Engine torque is usually passed into the transmission through a spline which connects the engine clutch to the transmission input shaft, and allows the axial motion, which is necessary for disengaging the clutch from the flywheel. Splines are loaded under pure torsion. If the splines are made perfectly, with no variation in tooth thickness or spacing, all the teeth would share the load equally.



Length of the spline =  $l$

Pitch circle diameter of splines =  $d_p$

Area under shear =  $\frac{\pi d_p l}{2}$  ..... 1]



The Society of Automobile Engineers (SAE) assumes that only 25% of the teeth are

actually sharing the load at any one time. Shear stress  $\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d_p^2 l}$  ..... 2]

where  $T$  is the torque transmitted.

# • 1.1 Design of Splines

**Example 4-3** A standard splined connection,  $12 \times 45 \times 50$  mm, is used for a gear and shaft assembly, rotating at 400 rpm. The length of the gear hub is 60 mm, and the normal pressure on the splines is limited to 6.5 MPa. Calculate the power which can be transmitted from the gear to the shaft. What is the shear stress developed in the splined shaft and in the splined hub?

**Solution**

Number of splines  $n = 12$

$$\text{Angle } \frac{\phi}{2} = \frac{360}{12 \times 2} = 15^\circ$$

$$\text{Minor radius } R_1 = \frac{45}{2} = 22.5 \text{ mm};$$

$$\text{Major radius } R_2 = \frac{50}{2} = 25 \text{ mm (see Fig. 1-6).}$$

Length of the spline  $l = 60$  mm

$$\text{Mean radius } R_m = \frac{22.5 + 25.0}{2} = 23.75 \text{ mm}$$

Normal pressure on spline  $p = 6.5 \text{ N/mm}^2$

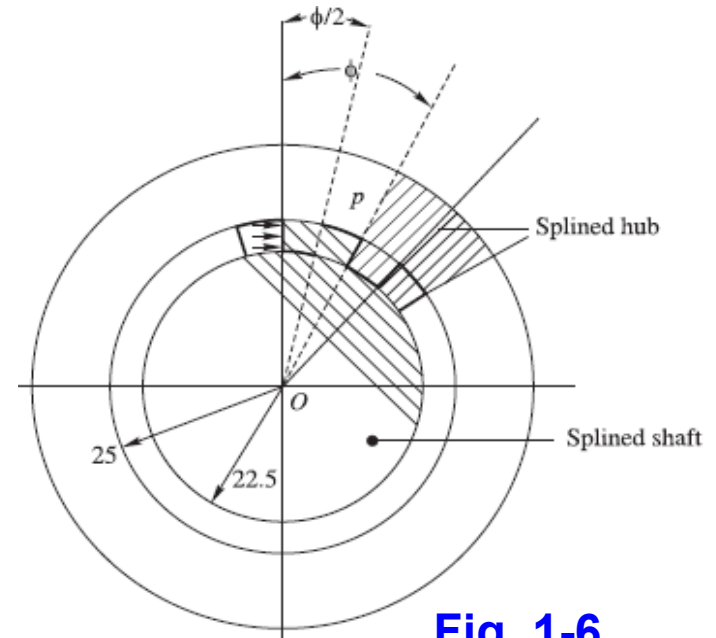
$$\text{Normal force per spline } P_n = (R_2 - R_1) \times l \times p = 2.5 \times 60 \times 6.5 = 975 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{Torque per spline } T' = P_n \times R_m = 975 \times 23.75 = 23156.25 = 23.156 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{Total torque for spline shaft } T = T' \times n = 23.15625 \times 12 = 277.875 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\text{Angular speed } \omega = \frac{2\pi \times 400}{60} = 41.89 \text{ rad/sec}$$

$$\text{Power Transmission capacity } P = 41.89 \times 277.875 = 11,640 \text{ Nm/s} = 11.64 \text{ kW}$$



**Fig. 1-6**



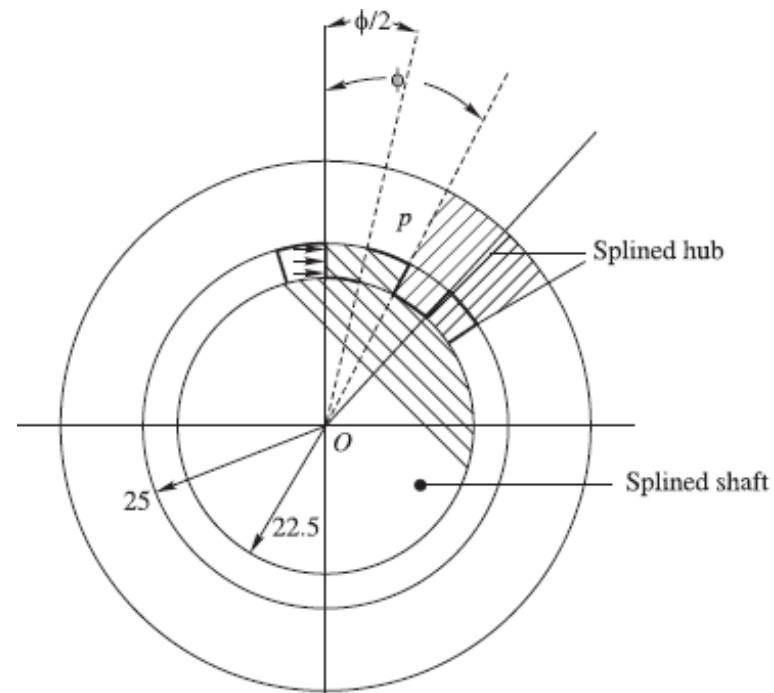
## • 1.1 Design of Splines

Shearing area per spline on shaft  $= \frac{2\pi R_1}{2 \times n} \times l = \frac{\pi \times 22.5}{12} \times 60$  from..... 1]  
 $= 353.43 \text{ mm}^2$

Shear stress in splined shaft  $= \frac{P_n}{353.43} = \frac{975}{353.43} = 2.76 \text{ N/mm}^2$

Shearing area per spline on hub  $= \frac{2\pi R_2}{2 \times n} \times l = \frac{2 \times \pi \times 25 \times 60}{2 \times 12} = 392.7 \text{ mm}^2$

Shear stress in splined hub  $= \frac{975}{392.7} = 2.48 \text{ N/mm}^2$



**Fig. 1-6**



## • 1.3 Design of couplings

A coupling is referred to as a type of device which finds its application in the connection of two shafts together for the purpose of power transmission.

A wide variety of couplings are commercially available, ranging from a simple rigid coupling to elaborate flexible couplings using gears, elastomers and fluids for transmission of torque from one shaft to another shaft or from a shaft to a device. Couplings can be broadly classified into **rigid and flexible** couplings. Flexible couplings can absorb some misalignment between the two shafts, but rigid couplings do not permit misalignment between the two shafts. A rigid coupling locks the two shafts and allows no relative movement between them.

There are three types of rigid couplings:

- (1) set-screw coupling
- (2) rigid coupling
- (3) clamp coupling

## • 1.3 Design of couplings



Rigid Coupling



Sleeve Coupling



Flange Coupling



Split Muff Coupling



Gear Coupling



Fluid Coupling



Universal Coupling



Oldham Coupling



Jaw Coupling



Bellow Coupling



Flexible Coupling



Constant Speed Coupling



Diaphragm Coupling



FLUDEX Coupling



Bushed Pin Type Coupling

Fig. 1-7



## • 1.3 Design of couplings: Selection Guide

### **Coupling Type**

### **Characteristics And Uses**

#### **Rigid Flange Coupling**

- Angular And Parallel Misalignment Between Coupled Shaft Is Negligible
- Frequent Uncoupling Is Required
- Keyed Or Splined To Each Shaft
- No Vibration Isolation Provided

#### **Rigid Sleeve Coupling**



- Easier To Remove And Install
- Requires High-Strength Bolts To Join
- A Small In-Line Misalignment Can Be Tolerated
- The Friction Between Shaft And Coupling Is The Clamping Force
- An Angular Misalignment Of  $2^\circ$ , Or A Parallel Misalignment 7 Mm, May Be Tolerated

#### **Rigid Compression Sleeve Coupling**

- Easily Replaceable
- Electrical And Partial Vibration Isolation Provided
- Reduced Torsional Capacity In Comparison To Rigid Coupling

#### **Elastomeric Couplings**



## • 1.3 Design of couplings: Selection Guide

**Flexible Metal Couplings**

**Gear Couplings**

**Spring Couplings**

**Schmidt Couplings**

**Fluid Couplings**

- Angular, In-Line And Parallel Misalignment May Be Accommodated At Higher Torques
- Used For Large Torque
- In-Line And Angular Misalignment Is Present
- Suitable For Low Torque And Large Angular Misalignment, Up To 60°
- Designed For Parallel Misalignment With Adequate Space Between Shafts To Accommodate Coupling
- Low Torque Application Used With Fractional HP Motors
- Designed To Provide Vibration Isolation
- Can Be Used For A Wide Range Of Torque; From 1 To 373 KW, At 1,200 Rpm.



## • 1.3 Design of Sleeve couplings

A sleeve or muff is inserted over the two shafts to be coupled, and a gib-head key is inserted between the sleeve and the shafts to provide a connection for torque transmission.

Outer diameter of sleeve  $d_1 = 2d + 13 \text{ mm}$  .....[1]

where,  $d$  is the diameter of the shaft.

Internal diameter of sleeve =  $d$

Length of the sleeve,  $l = 3.5d$  (to provide axial stability) .....[2]

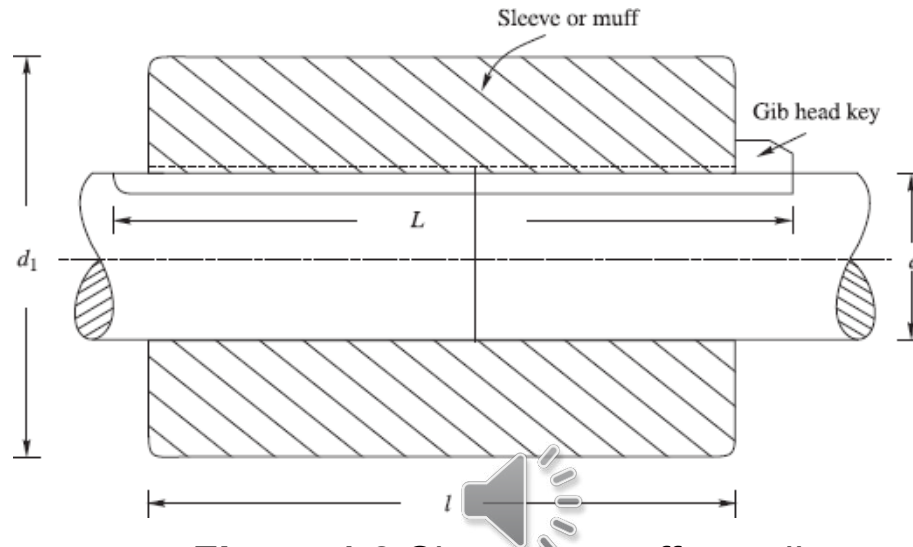
A gib-head key is fitted in the keyways cut in the sleeve and in the shaft. A gib head is provided for easy assembly and removal of key.

Length of the key  $L > l$  length of sleeve

### Section of the Key

Half of the key is inserted into the keyways of the shafts

## • 1.3 Design of Sleeve couplings



**Figure 1.8** Sleeve or muff coupling

$$\text{Tangential force on key } F_t = \frac{\text{Torque}}{\text{Shaft radius}} \quad \text{.....[3]}$$

$$\text{Breadth of the key } b = \frac{F_t}{\tau_{ak} \times l'} \quad \text{.....[4]}$$

where,  $\tau_{ak}$  = allowable shear stress in key with thickness ( $t$ ).

$$\text{Thickness of key } t = \frac{2 F_t}{\sigma_{ack} \times l'} \quad \text{.....[5]}$$

where,  $\sigma_{ack}$  = allowable crushing stress in key

$$l' = \frac{l}{2} \quad (\text{Length of the key in each shaft}) \quad \text{.....[6]}$$



## • 1.3 Design of couplings

**Example 1-4** Design a sleeve coupling for the transmission of 12 kW at 300 rpm by two connected steel shafts. Take service factor  $K_s = 1.25$ . The sleeve is made of CI. The key and the shaft are made of the same material.

Allowable stress:

Shear stresses in key and shaft = 50 MPa

Crushing stress in key = 100 MPa

Shear stress in CI sleeve = 10 MPa



### **Solution:**

Power = 12 Kw

Service factor  $K_s = 1.25$

Design power  $P_d = 1.25 \times 12 = 15\text{kN}$  .....[7]

Speed  $N = 300$  rpm



## • 1.3 Design of couplings

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Angular speed } \omega &= \frac{2\pi \times N}{60} \\ &= \frac{2\pi \times 300}{60} = 31.416 \text{ rad/sec}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Torque } T = \frac{P_d}{\omega} = \frac{15 \times 1000}{31.416} = 481.386 \text{ Nm} = 481386 \text{ Nmm}$$

from.....[7]

$$= \frac{\pi}{16} d^3 \times \tau_{as}$$

where,  $\tau_{as}$  = allowable shear stress in shaft.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Shaft diameter } d^3 &= \frac{16T}{\pi \tau_{as}} = \frac{16 \times 481386}{\pi \times 50} = 49.03 \times 10^3 \\ d &= 36.55 \text{ mm} \approx 40 \text{ mm}\end{aligned}$$

### Sleeve

Allowable shear stress in sleeve = 10 MPa

Outer diameter of sleeve =  $d_1$  mm =  $2d + 13$  = 93 mm

from.....[1]

Shear stress developed in sleeve of CI:

## • 1.3 Design of couplings

$$T = \frac{\pi}{16} \left( \frac{d_1^4 - d^4}{d_1} \right) \times \tau$$

$$481386 = \frac{\pi}{16} \left( \frac{93^4 - 40^4}{93} \right) \tau = 152530\tau$$

$$\tau = \frac{481386}{152530} = 3.16 \text{ MPa} \ll 10 \text{ MPa (allowed)}$$

Length of the sleeve  $l = 3.5 \times 40 = 140 \text{ mm}$  From .....[2]

### Key

Tangential force  $F_t = \frac{T}{d/2} = \frac{481386}{20} = 24069 \text{ N}$  From .....[3]

$l' = \text{length of key in each shaft}$  From .....[6]

$\tau_{ak} = 50 \text{ MPa}$  Given

Breadth  $b = \frac{F_t}{l' \times \sigma_{ak}} = \frac{24069}{70 \times 50} = 6.88 \approx 7 \text{ mm}$  From .....[4]

Thickness of key  $t = \frac{2F_t}{\sigma_{ack} \times l'} = \frac{2 \times 24069}{100 \times 70} = 6.88 \approx 7 \text{ mm}$  From .....[5]



- **1.3 Design of couplings**