4.2

Constants:

$$h = 250mm = .25m$$

$$b = 125mm = .125m$$

$$\sigma_{yield} = 200MPa = 200000000Pa$$

$$\tau_{yield} = 116MPa = 116000000Pa$$

$$P = 100kN = 100000N$$

$$l = 1m$$

Variables

$$t_b = x_1 t_w = x_2$$

Minimize

$$f(x_1, x_2) = 2bx_1 + hx_2$$

Given second moment of area

$$I = \frac{h^3}{12}x_2 + \frac{b}{6}x_1^3 + \frac{h^2b}{2}x_1$$

$$\implies I = \frac{.25^3}{12}x_2 + \frac{.125}{6}x_1^3 + \frac{.25^2.125}{2}x_1$$

$$\implies I = \frac{x_2}{768} + \frac{x_1^3}{48} + \frac{x_1}{256}$$

$$\implies I = \frac{x_2 + 16x_1^3 + 3x_1}{768}$$

$$\implies \frac{1}{I} = \frac{768}{3x_1 + 16x_1^3 + x_2}$$

Subject to

$$g_1(x_1, x_2) = \frac{Plh}{2I} - \sigma_{yield} \le 0$$
$$g_2(x_2) = \frac{1.5P}{hx_2} - \tau_{yield} \le 0$$

The Lagrangian for this problem is

$$\mathcal{L}(x, \sigma, s) = 2bx_1 + hx_2 + \sigma_1(\frac{Plh}{2I} - \sigma_{yield} + s_1^2) + \sigma_2(\frac{1.5P}{hx_2} - \tau_{yield} + s_2^2)$$

Differentiating the Lagrangian with respect to all the variables, we get the first-order optimality conditions,

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x_1} = 2b - \frac{384\sigma_1 P l h (3 + 48x_1^2)}{(3x_1 + 16x_1^3 + x_2)^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x_2} = h - \frac{384\sigma_1 P l h}{(3x_1 + 16x_1^3 + x_2)^2} - \frac{1.5\sigma_2 P}{hx_2^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \sigma_1} = \frac{384 P l h}{3x_1 + 16x_1^3 + x_2} - \sigma_{yield} + s_1^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \sigma_2} = \frac{1.5 P}{hx_2} - \tau_{yield} + s_2^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial s_1} = 2\sigma_1 s_1 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial s_2} = 2\sigma_2 s_2 = 0$$

Roots of the equation found with scipy.optimize.fsolve, with initial guesses of $t_b(x_1), t_w(x_2)$ as 10cm(0.01m) by eyeballing the diagram, and letting $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = s_1 = s_2 = 0$

$$t_b = 1.42603955e - 02 \approx 14cm$$
 $t_w = 5.17241379e - 03 \approx 5cm$
 $\sigma_1 = 1.99351362e - 11 \approx 0$
 $\sigma_2 = 7.44367855e - 12 \approx 0$
 $s1 = 0$
 $s2 = 0$

Graphical verification

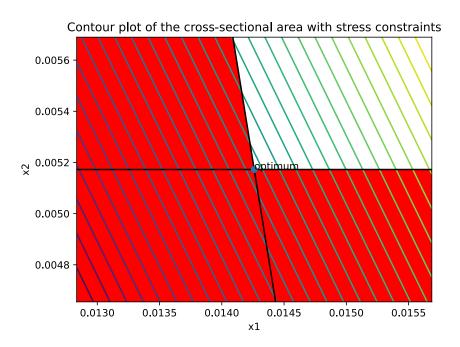


Figure 1: 4.2 Graph