

SIMPLE STRESS & STRAIN

Chapter-6



INTRODUCTION

- When an external force acts on a body, the body tends to undergo some deformation.
- Due to cohesion between the molecules, the body resists deformation.
- This resistance by which material of the body opposes the deformation is known as “**strength of material**”.
- **Strength of material** or **mechanics of material** involves analytical methods for determining the strength, stiffness and stability of various load carrying members.



TYPES OF LOADS

- **Dead loads** - static in nature, such as the self-weight of the roof.
- **Live loads** - fluctuating in nature, do not remain constant- such as a weight of a vehicle moving on a bridge.
- **Tensile loads** - applied force has pulling effect on the body.
- **Compressive loads** - applied load has pushing effect towards a point.
- **Shearing loads** - applied load is parallel or tangent to the surface.



PROPERTIES OF MATERIAL

- **Elasticity** – Deformation disappears on removal of load.
- **Plasticity** – Does not regain its original dimensions on removal of loading.
- **Brittleness** – Does not undergo any deformation when subjected to an external loading.
- **Malleability** – Materials ability to be hammered out into thin sheets, such as lead.
- **Ductility** – Exhibit relatively small extensions to fracture such as glass and cast iron.



STRESS

- Stress is an internal resistance offered by a unit area of the material, from which a member is made, to an externally applied load.
- The resistance of material or the internal force acting on a unit area may act in any direction.

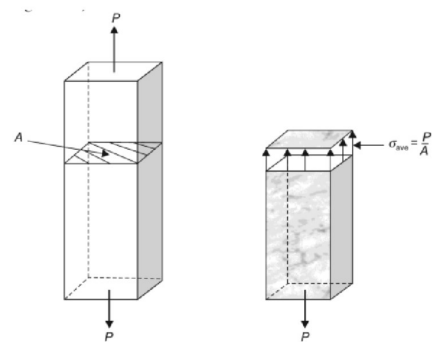


STRESS

- $\sigma = \frac{\text{Applied Load}}{\text{Original cross-Sectional Area}}$

- $\sigma = \frac{P}{A}$

- unit of stress is N/m^2



TYPES OF STRESS

• Tensile Stress

- The stress induced in a body, when subjected to two equal and opposite pulls, as a result of which there is an increase in length, is known as “*tensile stress*”.
- The ratio of increase in length to the original length is known as “*tensile strain*”.

$$\sigma = \frac{\text{Tensile Load}}{\text{Area}} = \frac{P}{A}$$

$$e = \frac{\text{Increase in length}}{\text{original length}} = \frac{dL}{L}$$



TYPES OF STRESS

• Compressive Stress

- The stress induced in a body, when subjected to two equal and opposite pushes, as a result of which there is decrease in length, is known as “*compressive stress*”.
- The ratio of decrease in length to the original length is known as “*compressive strain*”.

$$\sigma = \frac{\text{Push}}{\text{Area}} = \frac{P}{A}$$

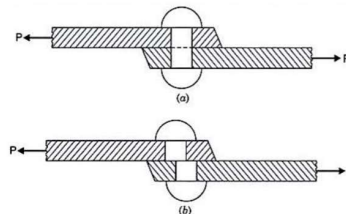
$$e = \frac{\text{Decrease in length}}{\text{original length}} = \frac{dL}{L}$$



TYPES OF STRESS

• Shear Stress (τ)

- The stress induced in a body, when subjected to two equal and opposite forces which are acting tangentially across the resisting section, as a result of which the body tends to shear off across the section, is known as “*shear stress*”.
- The corresponding strain is known as “*shear strain*”.



ELASTICITY & ELASTIC LIMIT

- When an external force acts on a body, the body tends to undergo some deformation. If the external force is removed and the body comes back to its original shape and size, the body is known as *elastic body*.
- This property, by virtue of which certain materials return back to their original position after the removal of the external force, is called *elasticity*.
- Limiting value of force up to which, the deformation completely disappears on the removal of the force.
- The value of stress corresponding to this limiting force is known as the *elastic limit* of the material.



HOOK'S LAW

- When the material is loaded within its elastic limit, the stress is proportional to strain.

$$\sigma \propto e$$

$$\sigma = Ee$$

$$E = \frac{\sigma}{e}$$

- This proportionality constant is known as **young's modulus** or **modulus of elasticity (E)**.
- **Modulus of rigidity (G)** or **shear modulus** is the ratio of shear stress to shear strain.



Poisson's Ratio: The ratio of lateral strain to the longitudinal strain is a constant for a given material, when the material is stressed within the elastic limit.

$$\text{Poisson's Ratio, } \nu = \frac{\text{Lateral Strain}}{\text{Longitudinal Strain}}$$

The strain at right angles to the direction of applied load is known as **lateral strain**.

The **longitudinal strain** is defined as the deformation of the body per unit length in the direction of the applied load.



STRESS – STRAIN RELATIONSHIP

- Properties of materials used for engineering applications can be determined by conducting laboratory tests on small specimens of the material.
- Tension test involves application of gradually increasing axial tensile load on a standard specimen.
- The test is performed on Universal testing Machine (UTM).
- The results of the test are plotted on graph, with strain on x-axis and stress on y-axis.
- The stress-strain diagram help in conveying information about mechanical properties and behaviour of the material.

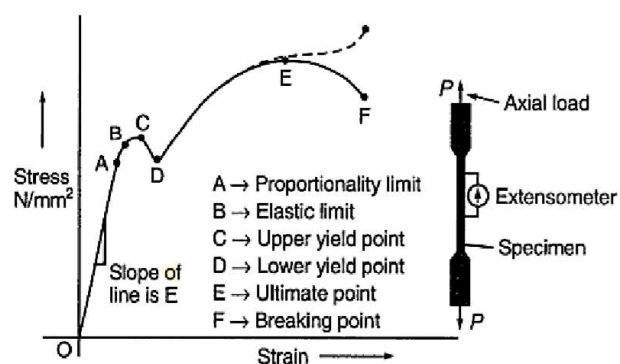
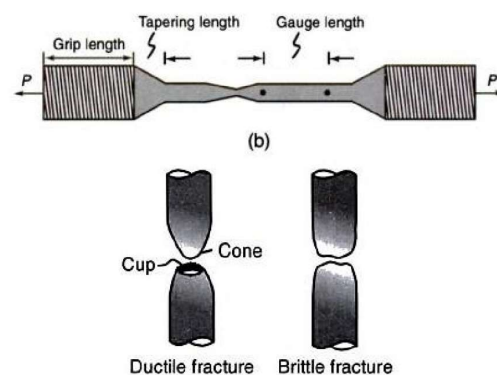


Figure: Stress-strain curve for structural steel



Ultimate Strength: It is the highest point on the stress-strain diagram. It is defined as the ratio of maximum load to the original cross-sectional area.

$$\text{Ultimate strength} = \frac{\text{Maximum Load}}{\text{Original cross - sec area}}$$

Working Stress: It is defined as the ratio of ultimate strength to the factor of safety.

For structural steel, FOS is taken as 2 to 2.5. For brittle material, it is taken as 4 to 6.

