Strength of Materials

1. What is the primary focus of Strength of Materials?
(A) Thermal properties
(B) Stress and strain analysis
(C) Material composition
(D) Fluid dynamics
Answer: B) Stress and strain analysis
2. What is tensile stress?
(A) The ratio of original length to the change in length
(B) The ratio of change in length to the tensile force applied
(C) The ratio of tensile force to the change in length
(D) The ratio of change in length to the original length
Answer: D) The ratio of change in length to the original length
3. A rod 200 cm long is subjected to an axial pull due to which it elongates about 2 mm. Calculate the amount of strain?
(A) 0.01
(B) 0.002
(C) 0.01
(D) 0.001
Answer: D) 0.001
4. The property by which a material returns to its original shape after removal of force is:
(A) Plasticity
(B) Elasticity
(C) Malleability
(D) Ductility

Answer: B) Elasticity
5. Which of the following is a brittle material?
(A) Mild steel
(B) Wrought iron
(C) Cast iron
(D) Copper
Answer: C) Cast iron
6. Maximum strain energy that can be stored in a body is known as:
(A) Impact energy
(B) Resilience
(C) Proof resilience
(D) Modulus of resilience
Answer: C) Proof resilience
7. The total strain energy stored in a body is termed as:
(A) Resilience
(B) Proof resilience
(C) Modulus of resilience
(D) Toughness
Answer: A) Resilience
8. The stress induced in a body due to a suddenly applied load compared to gradually applied load is:
(A) Same
(B) Half
(C) Two times
(D) Four times
Answer: C) Two times

9. The strain energy stored in a body due to suddenly applied load compared to gradually applied load is:
(A) Same
(B) Twice
(C) Four times
(D) Eight times
Answer: C) Four times
10. Poisson's ratio is defined as:
(A) Lateral strain / Longitudinal strain
(B) Longitudinal strain / Lateral strain
(C) Change in length / Original length
(D) Stress / Strain
Answer: A) Lateral strain / Longitudinal strain
11. The unit of modulus of elasticity is:
(A) N
(B) N/m
(C) N/m ²
(D) J
Answer: C) N/m ²
12. Young's modulus is the ratio of:
(A) Stress to strain
(B) Strain to stress
(C) Force to elongation
(D) Load to area
Answer: A) Stress to strain
13. The maximum load a wire can carry without deformation is called:
(A) Elastic limit

(B) Yield point
(C) Breaking point
(D) Ultimate point
Answer: A) Elastic limit
14. Which law relates stress to strain within the elastic limit?
(A) Pascal's Law
(B) Hooke's Law
(C) Newton's Law
(D) Boyle's Law
Answer: B) Hooke's Law
15. The strain energy per unit volume at elastic limit is called:
(A) Toughness
(B) Modulus of resilience
(C) Proof resilience
(D) Yield strength
Answer: B) Modulus of resilience
16. The total elongation of a bar under its own weight is:
(A) Zero
(B) Maximum
(C) Minimum
(D) Infinity
Answer: B) Maximum
17. The area under the stress-strain curve gives:
(A) Strain energy
(B) Stiffness
(C) Toughness
(D) Ductility

Answer: C) Toughness
18. Brittle materials fail at:
(A) Maximum shear stress (B)
Principal normal stress
(C) Minimum stress
(D) Average stress
Answer: B) Principal normal stress
19. In a tensile test, "necking" occurs at:
(A) Proportional limit
(B) Elastic limit
(C) Ultimate point
(D) Yield point
Answer: C) Ultimate point
20. Creep is:
(A) Plastic deformation at high temperature
(B) Sudden fracture under load
(C) Increase in strain at constant stress over time
(D) Decrease in strain at constant stress
Answer: C) Increase in strain at constant stress over time
21. What is the relation between load and elongation at elastic limit?
(A) Directly proportional
(B) Inversely proportional
(C) No relation
(D) Varies randomly
Answer: A) Directly proportional

22. Modulus of rigidity is related to:

(A) Shear stress and shear strain
(B) Tensile stress and tensile strain
(C) Bulk stress and bulk strain
(D) Compressive stress and compressive strain
Answer: A) Shear stress and shear strain
23. Bulk modulus relates to change in:
(A) Length
(B) Area
(C) Volume
(D) Shape
Answer: C) Volume
24. The ratio of stress to strain is called:
(A) Modulus of elasticity
(B) Modulus of rigidity
(C) Bulk modulus
(D) Poisson's ratio
Answer: A) Modulus of elasticity
25. If Poisson's ratio is zero, material is:
(A) Completely elastic
(B) Rigid
(C) Compressible but does not contract laterally
(D) Fluid
Answer: C) Compressible but does not contract laterally
26. If stress is doubled, strain will be:
(A) Halved
(B) Doubled
(C) Same

(D) Zero

Answer: B) Doubled

- 27. The slope of stress-strain curve in elastic region is:
- (A) Young's modulus
- (B) Modulus of rigidity
- (C) Bulk modulus
- (D) Toughness

Answer: A) Young's modulus

- 28. Permanent deformation after removing load is called:
- (A) Elastic deformation (B)

Plastic deformation

- (C) Shear deformation
- (D) None of these

Answer: B) Plastic deformation

- 29. The rupture of material occurs at:
- (A) Elastic limit
- (B) Yield point
- (C) Ultimate point
- (D) Breaking point

Answer: D) Breaking point

- 30. The modulus of elasticity for mild steel is approximately:
- (A) $2 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$
- (B) $2 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2$ (C) $2 \times 10^8 \text{ N/m}^2$
- (D) $2 \times 10^{12} \text{ N/m}^2$

Answer: A) $2 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$

31. A material with higher yield point is:

(A) More ductile
(B) More brittle
(C) Stronger
(D) Weaker
Answer: C) Stronger
32. Which value is always less than ultimate tensile strength?
(A) Breaking strength
(B) Yield strength
(C) Elastic limit
(D) Poisson's ratio
Answer: B) Yield strength
33. Shear stress acts tangentially while normal stress acts:
(A) Perpendicularly
(B) Tangentially
(C) At 45°
(D) At any angle
Answer: A) Perpendicularly
34. The ultimate tensile strength of a material is the maximum:
(A) Load at fracture
(B) Stress at elastic limit
(C) Stress at yield
(D) Stress at breaking point
Answer: D) Stress at breaking point
35. A ductile material is preferable for:
(A) Bridges
(B) Gears
(C) Machine shafts

(D) All of these
Answer: D) All of these
36. The material with maximum modulus of elasticity is:
(A) Rubber
(B) Mild steel
(C) Aluminum
(D) Copper
Answer: B) Mild steel
37. Which value for Poisson's ratio is not possible?
(A) 0
(B) 0.25
(C) 0.5
(D) 1
Answer: D) 1
38. The resistance to fracture is called:
(A) Toughness
(B) Hardness
(C) Elasticity
(5) 5 (1)
(D) Ductility
Answer: A) Toughness
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Answer: A) Toughness 39. In a stress-strain diagram, permanent set starts at: (A) Proportional limit (B) Elastic limit

40. The shear modulus is denoted by:
(A) E
(B) G
(C) K
(D) v
Answer: B) G
41. Unit of strain is:
(A) N/m ²
(B) Pa
(C) Dimensionless
(D) N/m
Answer: C) Dimensionless
42. The factor of safety is:
(A) Ultimate stress/Working stress (B)
Yield stress/Ultimate stress
(C) Working stress/Ultimate stress
(D) Elastic limit/Yield stress
Answer: A) Ultimate stress/Working stress
43. The value of Poisson's ratio for steel is:
(A) 0.5
(B) 0.33
(C) 0.2
(D) 0
Answer: B) 0.33
44. True stress is load divided by:
(A) Original area

(B) Actual area at instant

(C) Breaking area
(D) Yield area
Answer: B) Actual area at instant
45. For brittle materials, ultimate strength is almost equal to:
(A) Elastic limit
(B) Yield strength
(C) Breaking strength
(D) Toughness
Answer: C) Breaking strength
46. The elongation of a bar under a given load will be minimum for:
(A) Long and thin bar
(B) Short and thick bar
(C) Both same
(D) Depends on material
Answer: B) Short and thick bar
47. For a prismatic bar, total extension is proportional to:
(A) Load and length
(B) Area and length
(C) Load and area
(D) Modulus and area
Answer: A) Load and length
48. The strain produced in a bar by a stress is inversely proportional to:
(A) Length
(B) Modulus of elasticity
(C) Area
(D) Load
Answer: B) Modulus of elasticity

49. The maximum stress induced in a body is proportional to:
(A) Area
(B) Load/Area
(C) Modulus
(D) Length
Answer: B) Load/Area
50. The load corresponding to the proportional limit is known as:
(A) Safe load
(B) Proof load
(C) Ultimate load
(D) Yield load
Answer: B) Proof load
51. The stress at proportional limit is called:
(A) Proof stress
(B) Yield stress
(C) Ultimate stress
(D) Breaking stress
Answer: A) Proof stress
52. If proportional limit is exceeded, Hooke's law is:
(A) Valid
(B) Not valid (C) Modified
(D) None
Answer: B) Not valid
53. The total strain energy stored in a loaded specimen is called: (A) Modulus of resilience
(B) Proof resilience
(C) Toughness

(D) Fatigue
Answer: B) Proof resilience
54. If stress is at elastic limit, strain energy stored is:
(A) Modulus of resilience
(B) Proof resilience
(C) Total resilience
(D) Breaking resilience
Answer: A) Modulus of resilience
55. The graph of stress vs. strain up to the elastic limit is:
(A) Straight line
(B) Curve
(C) Hyperbola
(D) Circle
Answer: A) Straight line
56. Stress acting tangentially is called:
(A) Shear stress
(B) Normal stress
(C) Bulk stress
(D) Elastic stress
Answer: A) Shear stress
57. Fatigue failure occurs due to:
(A) Sudden load (B)
Varying load
(C) Static load
(D) Temperature
Answer: B) Varying load

58. Hardness of material is measured by:
(A) Impact test
(B) Brinell test
(C) Tensile test
(D) Fatigue test
Answer: B) Brinell test
59. The maximum strain energy per unit volume is:
(A) Modulus of resilience
(B) Proof resilience
(C) Toughness
(D) Elasticity
Answer: A) Modulus of resilience
60. Endurance limit refers to:
(A) Fatigue strength
(B) Ultimate strength (C) Proportional limit
(D) Yield strength
Answer: A) Fatigue strength
61. If working stress is doubled, factor of safety will:
(A) Remain same
(B) Halve
(C) Double
(D) Zero
Answer: B) Halve
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62. Stress produced by twisting force in shaft is:
(A) Compressive
(B) Shear
(C) Tensile

(D) Bending
Answer: B) Shear
63. A steel bar is loaded in tension. The weakest point is:
(A) At fixed end
(B) At applied load
(C) In center
(D) Anywhere in bar
Answer: D) Anywhere in bar
64. Elongation produced by a weight hanging from a wire is proportional to:
(A) Square of length
(B) Length
(C) Load (D) Area
Answer: B) Length
65. What is creep rupture?
(A) Plastic fracture due to creep
(B) Brittle fracture due to creep
(C) Loss of elasticity due to creep
(D) None
Answer: A) Plastic fracture due to creep
66. Brinell hardness number is determined by:
(A) Diameter of impression
(B) Load applied
(C) Time of application
(D) Area of impression
Answer: A) Diameter of impression
67. Failure by fatigue is:

(A) Sudden
(B) Gradual
(C) Progressive
(D) Reversible
Answer: A) Sudden
68. Modulus of resilience is the area under:
(A) Whole stress-strain curve
(B) Elastic portion only (C) Plastic portion only
(D) Breaking portion only
Answer: B) Elastic portion only
69. If length of wire is doubled, elongation by same load will:
(A) Double
(B) Quadruple
(C) Halve
(D) Remain same
Answer: A) Double
70. Impact strength is tested by:
(A) Charpy test
(B) Brinell test
(C) Rockwell test
(D) Fatigue test
Answer: A) Charpy test
71. Hardest material among:
(A) Aluminum
(B) Copper
(C) Mild steel
(D) Tungsten

Answer: D) Tungsten
72. Which value for Poisson's ratio is theoretical maximum?
(A) 0
(B) 0.25 (C) 0.33
(D) 0.5
Answer: D) 0.5
73. For metals, Poisson's ratio is generally:
(A) Less than 0.5
(B) Greater than 0.5
(C) Zero
(D) Infinite
Answer: A) Less than 0.5
74. In a tension test, proportional limit is always:
(A) Before elastic limit
(B) After elastic limit
(C) At yield point
(D) At breaking point
Answer: A) Before elastic limit
75. The ability to return to original shape after deformation is:
(A) Elasticity
(B) Plasticity
(C) Fatigue
(D) Stiffness
Answer: A) Elasticity

(A) Ductility

76. Cast iron is used for:

(B) Flexibility
(C) Compressibility
(D) Brittleness
Answer: D) Brittleness
77. What determines the toughness of material?
(A) Area under whole stress-strain curve
(B) Area under elastic region only
(C) Maximum stress
(D) Ultimate load
Answer: A) Area under whole stress-strain curve
78. What does hardness indicate?
(A) Resistance to deformation
(B) Resistance to scratching
(C) Resistance to fatigue
(D) Resistance to stress
Answer: B) Resistance to scratching
79. A stress which is always compressive is:
(A) Tensile
(B) Shear
(C) Bulking
(D) Hydrostatic
Answer: D) Hydrostatic
80. If the strain in a bar increases at constant load, the phenomenon is:
(A) Relaxation
(B) Creep
(C) Fatigue
(D) Hardness

Answer: B) Creep
81. What is the ultimate strength?
(A) Maximum stress in elastic region (B)
Maximum stress before breaking
(C) Minimum stress at yield
(D) Average stress at fracture
Answer: B) Maximum stress before breaking
82. Ductility is measured by:
(A) Elongation
(B) Reduction in area
(C) Both A and B
(D) None
Answer: C) Both A and B
83. The sudden reduction in cross-section after yield point is:
(A) Elastic deformation (B)
Plastic deformation
(C) Necking
(D) Creep
Answer: C) Necking
84. Proof resilience is expressed in:
(A) J
(B) J/m
(C) J/m³
(D) J/kg

Answer: C) J/m³

85. Hooke's law is valid up to:
(A) Proportional limit
(B) Elastic limit
(C) Yield point
(D) Breaking point
Answer: A) Proportional limit
86. If load is tripled, elongation in a bar will be:
(A) Tripled
(B) Halved
(C) One-third
(D) Constant
Answer: A) Tripled
87. In a stress-strain diagram of mild steel, the region after ultimate point shows:
(A) Necking (B) Flastic deformation
(B) Elastic deformation (C) Linear portion
(D) Constant stress
Answer: A) Necking
88. The modulus of rigidity for most metals is:
(A) 0.4E
(B) 0.6E
(C) 0.8E
(D) E
Answer: A) 0.4E
89. The yield strength corresponds to:
(A) Start of plastic deformation

(B) Ultimate load

(C) Breaking load
(D) Hardness
Answer: A) Start of plastic deformation
90. Endurance limit for steel is usually:
(A) Half the ultimate strength
(B) Twice the ultimate strength
(C) Equal to ultimate strength
(D) Equal to yield strength
Answer: A) Half the ultimate strength
91. Cast iron fails due to:
(A) Ductile fracture
(B) Brittle fracture
(C) Fatigue
(D) Hardness
Answer: B) Brittle fracture
92. Elastic constant is the property of:
(A) Elastic materials
(B) Plastic materials
(C) Metals only
(D) All solids
Answer: D) All solids
93. The material that absorbs maximum energy under impact loading is:
(A) Tough material
(B) Brittle material
(C) Elastic material
(D) Hard material
Answer: A) Tough material
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94. Which property is important for spring materials?
(A) Ductility
(B) Elasticity
(C) Plasticity
(D) Toughness
Answer: B) Elasticity
95. The effect of repeated loading and unloading on metals leads to:
(A) Hardening
(B) Softenng
(C) Fatigue
(D) Creep
Answer: C) Fatigue
96. What does the area under elastic portion of stress-strain curve signify?
(A) Modulus of resilience
(B) Toughness
(C) Proof resilience
(D) Ductility
Answer: A) Modulus of resilience
97. Bending stress occurs due to:
(A) Axial load
(B) Twisting load
(C) Bending moment
(D) Shear force
Answer: C) Bending moment
98. The ratio of load to extension is called:
(A) Stiffness

- (B) Elasticity
- (C) Modulus of resilience
- (D) Toughness

Answer: A) Stiffness

- 99. Which test is not meant for hardness?
- (A) Brinell
- (B) Rockwell
- (C) Vickers (D) Charpy

Answer: D) Charpy

- 100. Poisson's ratio is negative for:
- (A) Metals
- (B) Brittle materials
- (C) Rubber
- (D) Foam

Answer: D) Foam
