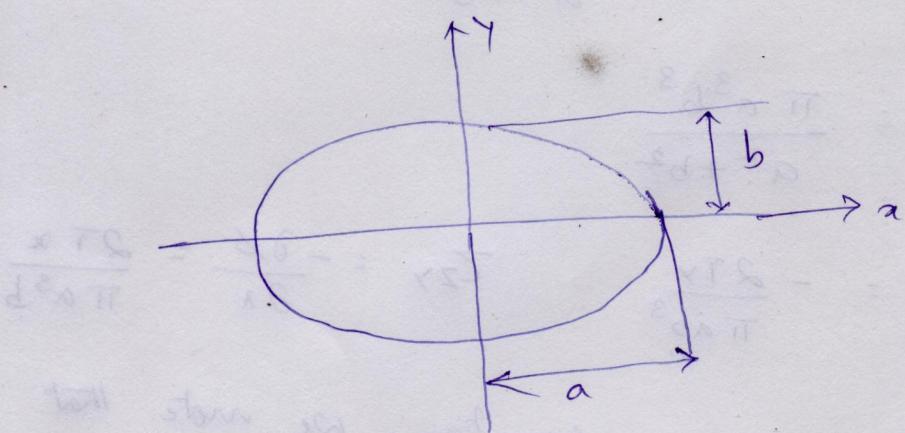


## Torsion of elliptical cross cylindrical bar



Equation of boundary

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

If we choose a stress function of the form  
 $\phi = C \left( \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - 1 \right)$  then the boundary condition  $\phi = 0$  is satisfied at every point on the boundary and the constant  $C$  is chosen such that

$$\nabla^2 \phi = -2G\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2C \left( \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} \right) = -2G\theta$$

$$\therefore C = -\frac{G\theta a^2 b^2}{(a^2 + b^2)}$$

$$\therefore \phi = -\frac{G\theta a^2 b^2}{(a^2 + b^2)} \left( \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - 1 \right)$$

$$\therefore \text{Torsion, } T = \iint 2\phi \, dx \, dy$$

$$T = -2G\theta \frac{a^2 b^2}{a^2 + b^2} \left( \frac{1}{a^2} \iint x^2 \, dx \, dy + \frac{1}{b^2} \iint y^2 \, dx \, dy - \iint \, dx \, dy \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow T = -2G\theta \frac{a^2 b^2}{a^2 + b^2} \left( \frac{1}{a^2} \frac{\pi a^3 b}{4} + \frac{1}{b^2} \frac{\pi a b^3}{4} - \pi a b \right)$$

$$\therefore -2G\theta \cdot T = G\theta \frac{\pi a^3 b^3}{(a^2 + b^2)}$$

$$\therefore T = G \bar{J} \theta = G \theta \frac{\pi a^3 b^3}{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{J} = \frac{\pi a^3 b^3}{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$T_{xy} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = -\frac{2Ty}{\pi ab^3} \quad T_{zy} = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \frac{2Tx}{\pi a^3 b}$$

To determine warping function, we note that

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x} = -\frac{2Ty}{\pi ab^3 G} + \frac{T}{G} \frac{(a^2 + b^2)}{\pi a^3 b^3} y$$

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial y} = \frac{2Tx}{\pi a^3 b G} - \frac{1}{G} \frac{a^2 + b^2}{\pi a^3 b^3} x$$

By integrating the two eqns we get,

$$\omega = \frac{T(b^2 - a^2)}{\pi a^3 b^3 G} xy + f_1(y) ; \quad \omega = T \frac{(b^2 - a^2)}{\pi a^3 b^3 G} xy + f_2(x)$$

at same  $(x, y)$   $\omega$  from the two eqns should be same  $\Rightarrow f_1(y) = f_2(x) = 0$

$$\therefore \omega = \frac{T(b^2 - a^2)}{\pi a^3 b^3 G} xy$$

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Show that warping function  $\psi = kxy$ , in which  $k$  is an unknown constant may be used to solve the torsion problem for the elliptical section.

Boundary condition on the surface is

$$\tau_{xz} \frac{dy}{dx} + \tau_{yz} \frac{dx}{dn} = 0$$

$$\tau_{xz} = G\gamma_{xz} \quad \tau_{yz} = G\gamma_{yz}$$

$$\& \gamma_{xz} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} - \theta_y \quad \gamma_{yz} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \theta_x$$

$$w = \theta \psi(x, y) = \theta kxy$$

$\therefore$  we have

$$y(k-1) \frac{dy}{dx} - x(k+1) \frac{dn}{d\theta} = 0$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d}{d\theta} \left[ -\frac{x^2}{2}(k+1) + \frac{y^2}{2}(k-1) \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{x^2}{2}(k+1) + \frac{y^2}{2}(k-1) = \text{constant} \rightarrow ①$$

Rearranging we have,

$$x^2 + \left(\frac{1-k}{1+k}\right)y^2 = \text{constant}$$

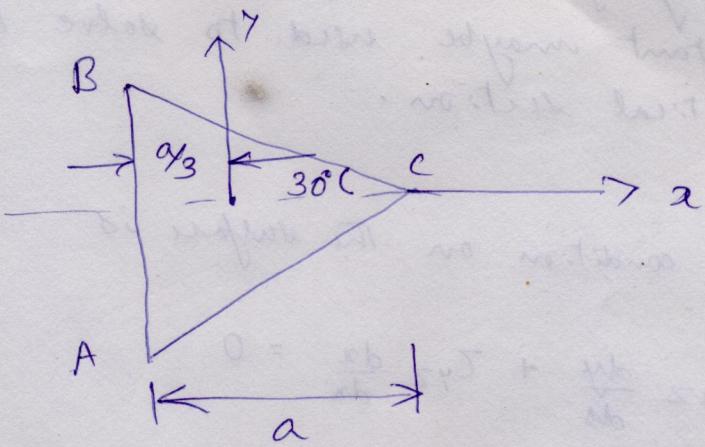
$$\text{eqn of ellipse is } \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\text{or } x^2 + \frac{a^2}{b^2} y^2 = a^2 \rightarrow ②$$

Comparing ① & ② we have

$$\frac{a^2}{b^2} = \left(\frac{1-k}{1+k}\right) \therefore \underline{\underline{\psi = \frac{b^2 - a^2}{a^2 + b^2} xy}}$$

④ Bar having a cross in the form of triangulated section (equilateral)



$$\phi = -G\theta \left[ \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) - \frac{1}{2a}(x^3 - 3xy^2) - \frac{2}{27}a^2 \right]$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} = -G\theta \left( 1 - \frac{3x}{a} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = -G\theta \left( 1 + \frac{3x}{a} \right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = -2G\theta \quad \checkmark$$

(condition satisfied)

$$\text{on } AB \quad x = -\alpha_3; \quad y = y$$

$$\text{BC} \quad y = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{2a}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{AC} \quad y = \frac{x}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{2a}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

substituting the above expressions in  $\phi$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_{AB} = \phi_{BC} = \phi_{AC} = 0$$

Now,

$$T_{xz} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = -G\theta \left( y + \frac{3xy}{a} \right)$$

$$T_{zy} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = G\theta \left( x - \frac{3x^2}{2a} + \frac{3y^2}{2a} \right)$$

At each corner of the triangle  $T_{xz} = T_{zy} = 0$

Max value of  $T_{zy}$  occurs at  $y = 0$

$$(T_{zy})_{\max} = -\frac{G\theta a}{2}$$

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$$T = \iint 2\theta \, dx \, dy$$

Eqn of the side AC of the triangle is  $y = (x - 2a/3)/\sqrt{3}$   
 and BC  $y = -(x - 2a/3)/\sqrt{3}$

$$\therefore T = \int_{-a/3}^{2a/3} \int_{(x-2a/3)/\sqrt{3}}^{-(x-2a/3)/\sqrt{3}} 2\theta \, dx \, dy$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{6a^4}{15\sqrt{3}} \theta$$

For warping

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = -\theta \left( y + \frac{3xy}{2a} - y \right) \quad \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = \gamma_{xz} + \theta y \right)$$

$$w = -\frac{3x^2y}{2a} \theta + f(y) \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{a}$$

Similarly  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \gamma_{yz} - \theta x$

$$\Rightarrow w = \int (\gamma_{yz} - \theta x) \, dy$$

$$w = -\frac{3x^2y}{2a} \theta + \frac{y^3}{2a} \theta + f_1(x) \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{b}$$

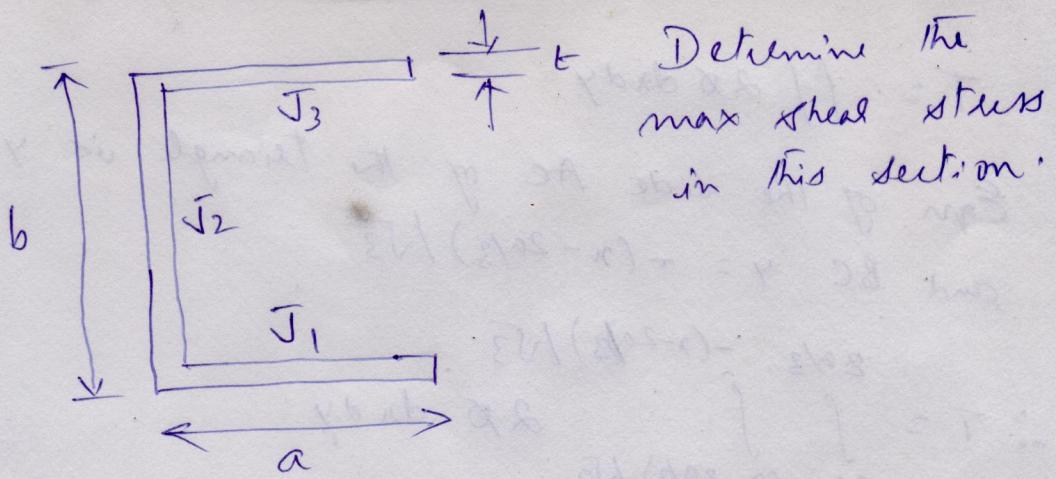
Comparing  $\textcircled{a}$  &  $\textcircled{b}$

$$f(x) = 0 \quad \& \quad f(y) = \frac{y^3}{2a} \theta$$

$$\therefore w = \frac{1}{2a} \theta (y^3 - 3x^2y)$$

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$$\bar{J} = \frac{2a^3}{3} + \frac{b^3}{3}$$

$$\bar{J} = (\bar{J}_1 + \bar{J}_3) + \bar{J}_2$$

$$= \frac{2a^3}{3} + \frac{b^3}{3}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \frac{T}{G\bar{J}} = \frac{3T}{G(2a+b)t^3}$$

$$Z_{max} = \pm G\theta t = \pm \frac{3T}{(2a+b)t^2}$$