

Lecture 3 - Superposition, Compounding

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schedule

- 8 Feb - Superposition, Compounding
- 10 Feb - Curved Boundaries, HW 1 Due
- 15 Feb - Plastic Zone
- 17 Feb - Plastic Zone

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homework notes

- Watch units (beam problem, foot-lbs vs. in-lbs)
- Significant figures
- My grading philosophy
- Individual work

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outline

- Review
- Superposition
- Compounding

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review

example

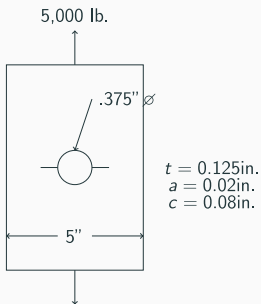


Figure 1: A problem with cracks around a hole. Dimensions given are .375 inch hole diameter, 5 inch wide specimen, 5,000 lb. remote load, 0.125 inch thickness, major crack radius .08 inches, minor crack radius .02 inches.

- Case 1 - symmetric through cracks
- Case 2 - single through crack
- Case 3 - symmetric corner cracks
- Case 4 - single corner crack
- Case 5 - symmetric surface cracks
- Case 6 - single surface crack
- Viewable here

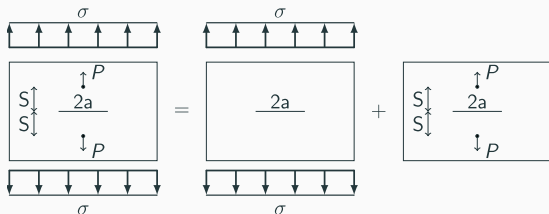
superposition

superposition

- Since the stress intensity factor is derived using Linear Elasticity, the principle of superposition applies
- Multiple applied loads can be superposed to find the effective stress intensity factor of the combined loading

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superposition

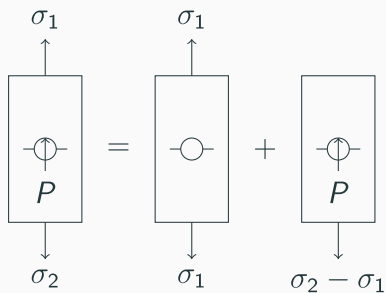


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$$K_I = K_{I(\sigma)} + K_{I(P)}$$

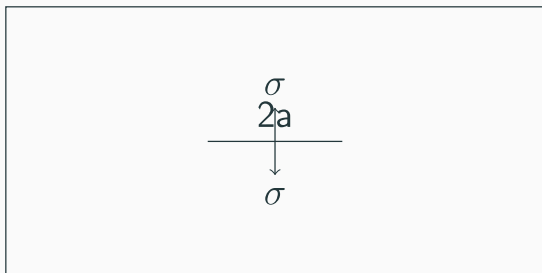
$$K_I = \sigma \sqrt{\pi a} + \frac{P}{t \sqrt{\pi a}} \frac{1 - 0.5 \left(\frac{a}{W} \right) + 0.975 \left(\frac{a}{W} \right)^2 - 0.16 \left(\frac{a}{W} \right)^3}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{a}{W} \right)}}$$

- Sometimes, the superposition needed to solve a problem is not obvious
- It can be helpful to subtract a known solution from the problem
- Note: Every super-posed solution must satisfy equilibrium.



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example - pressurized crack



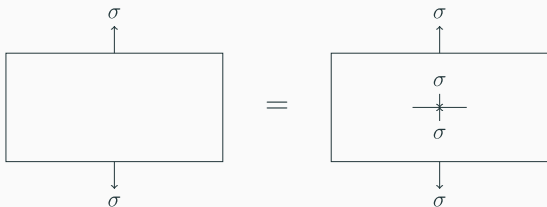
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example - pressurized crack

- We can find the stress intensity for a pressurized crack using a non-obvious superposition
- An un-cracked panel with remote stress would be equal to a cracked panel under remote stress with a negative pressure applied to the crack

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example - pressurized crack



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- Purpose of group problems is not just to solve a problem
- By teaching or explaining concepts to other members of your group, you also reinforce the concept yourself
- When problems are discussed as a group, you will find questions and problems you might not have otherwise found

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group 1

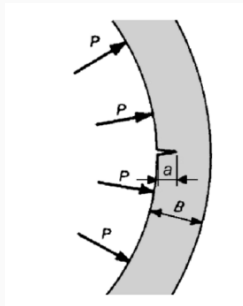
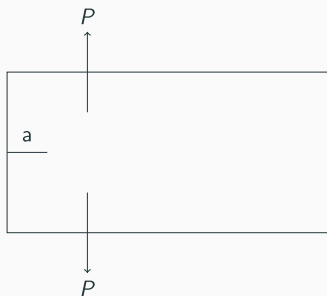


Figure 2: Semi-elliptical surface flaw in a pressurized cylinder

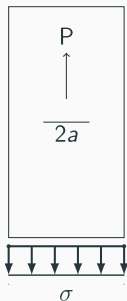
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group 2

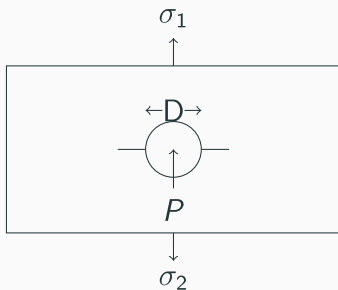


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group 3



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compounding

superposition vs. compounding

- In this course, we use *superposition* to combine loading conditions
- We use *compounding* to combine edge effects
- Both are very powerful tools and important concepts

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compounding

- Different types of boundaries create different correction factors to the usual stress intensity factor
- We often use β to indicate the total correction factor
- When multiple boundaries are present, we can combine them into one effective correction factor
- There are two general methods we use to create a compound correction factor

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method 1

- The first method uses linear superposition, and thus is restricted to cases where the effect of each boundary can be assumed to add linearly
- While in most cases this is not strictly true, it provides a reasonable approximation

$$K_r = \bar{K} + \sum_{i=1}^N (K_i - \bar{K})$$

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method 1

- Where N is the number of boundaries, \bar{K} is the stress intensity factor with no boundaries present and K_i is the stress intensity factor associated with the i^{th} boundary.

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method 1

- We can rewrite this equation as

$$K_r = \sigma\sqrt{\pi a}\beta_r = \sigma\sqrt{\pi a} + \sum_{i=1}^N(\sigma\sqrt{\pi a}\beta_i - \sigma\sqrt{\pi a})$$

- Which leads to an expression for β_r as

$$\beta_r = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^N(\beta_i - 1)$$

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method 2

- An alternative empirical method approximates the boundary effect as

$$\beta_r = \beta_1\beta_2\ldots\beta_N$$

- If there is no interaction between the boundaries, method 1 and method 2 will give the same result

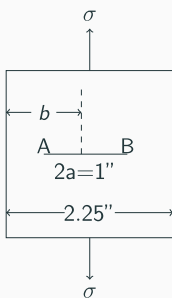
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p. 68 - example 1

- A crack in a finite-width panel is centered between two stiffeners
- Assume the β correction factor for this stiffener configuration is $\beta_s = 0.9$
- Assume the β correction factor for this finite-width panel is $\beta_w = 1.075$
- Use both compounding methods to estimate the stress intensity
- How accurate do you expect this to be?

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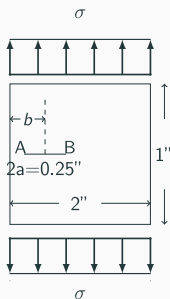
p. 69 - example 3



$$b = 1 \text{ inch}$$

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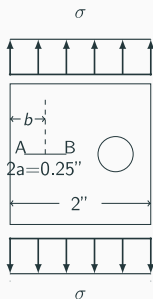
group 1



$$b = 0.4 \text{ inches}$$

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group 2

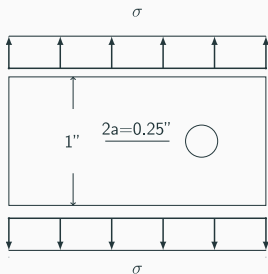


$$b = 0.4 \text{ inches}$$

Hole diameter is 0.5 inches and spaced 0.5 inches away from the crack tip

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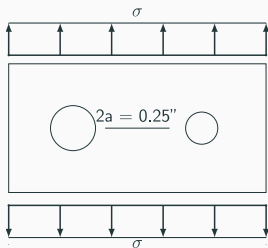
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Hole diameter is 0.5 inches and spaced 0.5 inches away from the crack tip

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group 4



The right crack tip is 0.5 inches away from a 0.5 inch diameter hole and the left crack tip is 0.25 inches away from a 1 inch diameter hole.

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errata and supplemental charts

textbook notes

- on p. 64 there is a + missing between two terms, see Lecture 2 for the fix
- Also on p. 64, in equation 29 it is not clear, but use the f_w from a previous equation, on p. 56
- Some of the black and white figures can be difficult to use, we have scanned and re-created the plots online
- Interactive versions of compounding figures from p. 50, 71-73 can be found at [here](#)

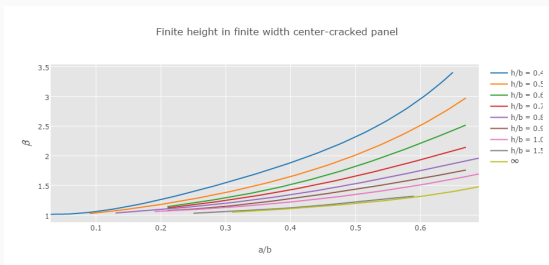


Figure 3: beta for finite height effects, see text p. 50 or interactive chart linked in previous slide

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offset crack - p. 71

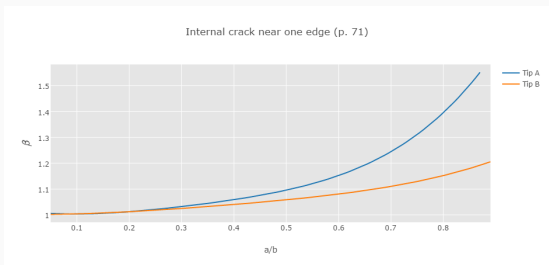


Figure 4: beta for offset internal crack, see text p. 71 or interactive chart linked previously

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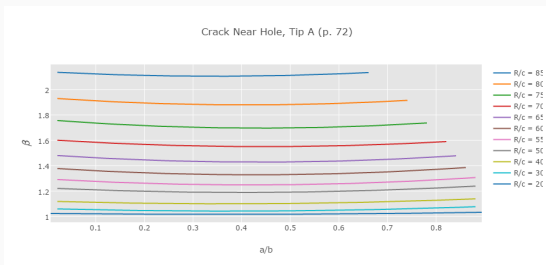


Figure 5: beta for the crack tip farther away from a hole, see text p. 72 or interactive chart linked previously

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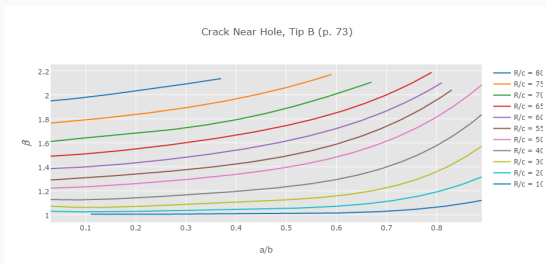


Figure 6: beta for the crack tip closer to a hole, see text p. 73 or interactive chart linked previously

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