

Experimental Mechanics : 20 Sept 2018

Notes on

• Midterm Presentation and Report

→ Use Dr. KZ's research as more familiar

→ 9 pages use Tennant format

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Guest Speaker} \\ 1\% \text{ Out} \end{array} \right\}$

• Electrical Resistance Strain Gauge Analysis

→  $\frac{\Delta R}{R} = S_g \epsilon$  ← Unknown strain, so to be found

← Gauge property (see 17 Sept)

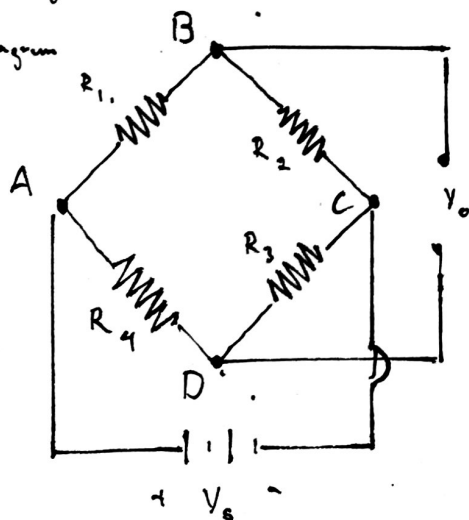
→ Convert  $\Delta R/R$  into  $\Delta V$ , read by instrument called Wheatstone Bridge

• Wheatstone Bridge Equations

→ Equations for circuit sensitivity & effective range

→ Can go down to low resistance  $\in [3, 5] \mu\Omega$

→ Diagram



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} V_{AB} = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} V_s \\ V_{AD} = \frac{R_4}{R_3 + R_4} V_s \end{array} \right\} V_o = V_{BD} = V_{AB} - V_{AD}$$

$$V_o = \frac{R_1(R_3 + R_4) - R_2(R_3 + R_4)}{(R_1 + R_2)(R_3 + R_4)} V_s$$

$$\text{for } V_o = 0 : R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_4 = R_1 R_4 + R_2 R_3 = 0$$

$$\underline{R_1 R_3 = R_2 R_4}$$

→ Place Strain Gauge on any resistor, we convert  $\epsilon \rightarrow \Delta V$

$$V_o(R_i) \rightarrow \Delta V_o = f(R_i + \Delta R_i) \rightarrow \Delta V_o = \frac{R_1 R_2}{(R_1 + R_2)^2} \left( \frac{\Delta R_1}{R_1} - \frac{\Delta R_2}{R_2} - \frac{\Delta R_3}{R_3} + \frac{\Delta R_4}{R_4} \right) V_s$$

Neglect  
H.O.T.

→ Generally only one "R" is replaced so is "active"

→ Linear function of  $\Delta R$  because we neglect Higher order terms

• Bridge Sensitivity

→ "S<sub>e</sub>" or sensitivity of bridge can be constant V<sub>s</sub> & single active arm

$$\Rightarrow S_e = \frac{\Delta V_o}{\Delta R_1 / R_1} = \frac{r}{(1+r)^2} V_s$$

+  $\Delta V_s$  for only  $\Delta R_1$

$$+ r = \frac{R_2}{R_1} \quad R_2 / R_1$$

$$V_s = I_T (R_1 + R_2) = I_T R_T (1+r)$$

$$V_s = (1+r) \underbrace{\sqrt{P_T R_T}}_{\substack{\text{circuit} \\ \text{efficiency}} \text{ physical characteristics}}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_e = \frac{r}{1+r} \sqrt{P_T R_T}$$

⤴ circuit efficiency  
generally less than 70%

$P_T$ : power dissipated as heat

$R_T$ : total resistance

$$P_T R_T: 6 [1, 1000] \text{ W} \cdot \Omega, \text{ commercially}$$

• Strain Analysis

→ What is known affects gage placement

→ Stress State

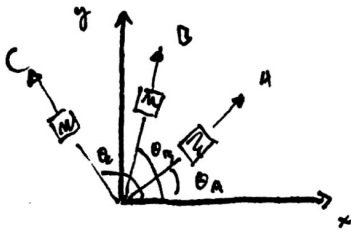
(i) Uniaxial Stress: 1 gage in stress axis

$$\text{if } E \text{ is known: } \sigma_{xx} = \sigma_1 = E \epsilon_{xx}$$

(ii) Principal direction known but unknown magnitude: rectangular rosette in principal direction

(iii) Stress field unknown: 3 element rosettes needed

→ 3 Element Rosettes on general



• measuring  $\epsilon_A, \epsilon_B, \epsilon_C$

↓  
 $\epsilon_{xx} + \epsilon_{yy}$  ! by Mohr's Circle