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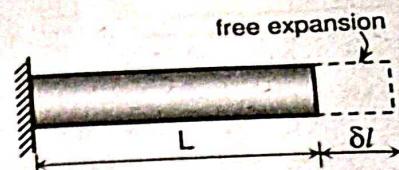
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i.e.

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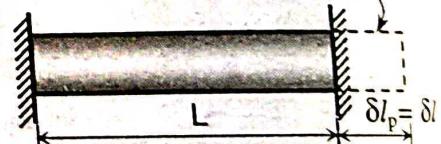
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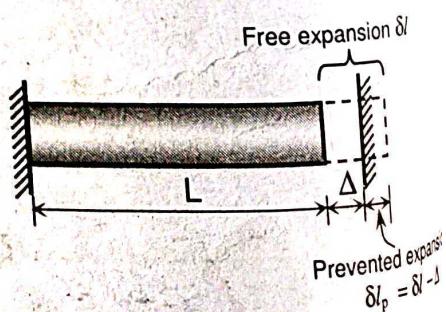
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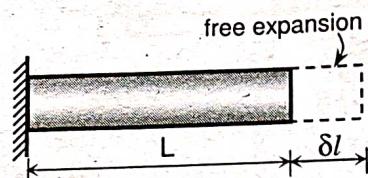
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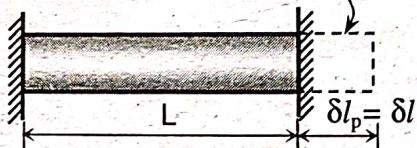
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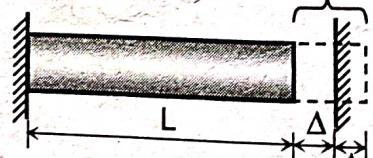
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## 2) Temperature Stresses in Composite Bars - In Parallel :

Consider two bars of different materials, one of copper and another of steel, connected in parallel as shown in fig. 1.

Let  $\alpha_c$  and  $\alpha_s$  = Coefficient of linear expansion of copper and steel respectively.

We know that  $\alpha_c > \alpha_s$ . If the temperature of the bars is increased by  $t^{\circ}\text{C}$ , then both bars will expand. Since  $\alpha_c > \alpha_s$ , therefore expansion of copper will be more than expansion of steel (i.e.  $\alpha_c t L_c > \alpha_s t L_s$ ) as shown in fig. 2.

But, if the bars are connected to each other firmly, then copper will apply tensile force  $P$  on steel and steel will apply compressive force  $P$  on copper and the total elongation of both bars will be same as shown in fig. 3.

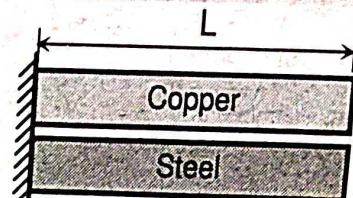


Fig. 1

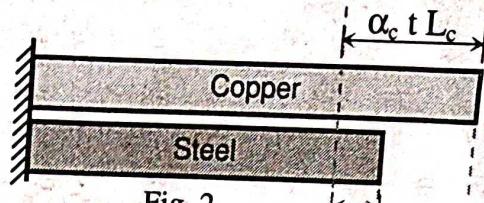


Fig. 2

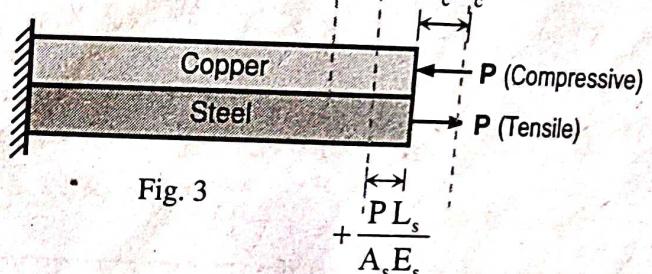


Fig. 3

∴ Total elongation of copper = Total elongation of steel

But, Total elongation of copper = Elongation of copper due to temp. -  
Contraction due to compressive force P  

$$= \alpha_c t L_c - \frac{P L_c}{A_c E_c} \quad \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

And Total elongation of steel = Elongation of steel due to temp. +  
Elongation due to tensile force P  

$$= \alpha_s t L_s + \frac{P L_s}{A_s E_s} \quad \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Therefore,  $\alpha_c t L_c - \frac{P L_c}{A_c E_c} = \alpha_s t L_s + \frac{P L_s}{A_s E_s}$

or  $\alpha_c t L_c - \alpha_s t L_s = \frac{P L_c}{A_c E_c} + \frac{P L_s}{A_s E_s}$

or  $t(\alpha_c - \alpha_s) = \frac{P}{A_c E_c} + \frac{P}{A_s E_s} \quad [\because L_c = L_s]$

or  $t(\alpha_c - \alpha_s) = \frac{\sigma_c}{E_c} + \frac{\sigma_s}{E_s} \quad \left[ \because \sigma = \frac{P}{A} \right]$

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#### Problems on Temperature Stresses in Composite Bars – In Parallel

1. A steel tube of 30 mm external diameter and 20 mm internal diameter encloses a copper rod of 14 mm diameter to which it is rigidly joined at each end. Find the stresses in steel tube and copper rod, if the temperature of the composite bar is increased by  $180^\circ\text{C}$ .

Take :  $E_s = 2.1 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ ,  $E_c = 1.1 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ ,  
 $\alpha_s = 1.1 \times 10^{-5}/^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\alpha_c = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}/^\circ\text{C}$ .

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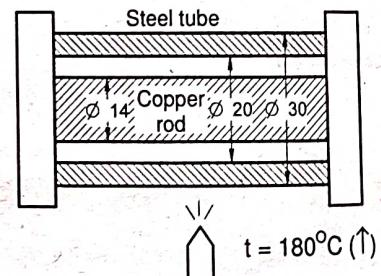
**Solution :** Given :  $D_s = 30 \text{ mm}$ ,  $d_s = 20 \text{ mm}$ ,  $d_c = 14 \text{ mm}$ ,  $t = 180^\circ\text{C}$

$$\therefore A_s = \frac{\pi}{4}(D_s^2 - d_s^2) = \frac{\pi}{4}(30^2 - 20^2) = 125\pi \text{ mm}^2$$

$$\therefore A_c = \frac{\pi}{4}d_c^2 = \frac{\pi}{4}14^2 = 49\pi \text{ mm}^2$$

$$E_s = 2.1 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2, \quad E_c = 1.1 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\alpha_s = 1.1 \times 10^{-5}/^\circ\text{C}, \quad \alpha_c = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}/^\circ\text{C}$$



As the temperature increases and  $\alpha_c > \alpha_s$ , copper rod will be in compression and steel tube will be in tension. Under equilibrium condition,

$$\text{Tensile force on steel} = \text{Compressive force on copper}$$

$$\therefore P_s = P_c = P$$

Using relation  $\alpha_c t L_c - \alpha_s t L_s = \frac{P L_c}{A_c E_c} + \frac{P L_s}{A_s E_s}$

$$\therefore t(\alpha_c - \alpha_s) = \frac{P}{A_c E_c} + \frac{P}{A_s E_s} \quad [\because L_c = L_s]$$

$$\therefore 180(1.8 \times 10^{-5} - 1.1 \times 10^{-5}) = P \left[ \frac{1}{49\pi \times 1.1 \times 10^5} + \frac{1}{125\pi \times 2.1 \times 10^5} \right]$$

$$\therefore P = 17701.17 \text{ N} = 17.70 \text{ kN}$$

∴ Stress in copper  $\sigma_c = \frac{P}{A_c} = \frac{17701.17}{49\pi} = 114.98 \text{ N/mm}^2$  (Compressive)

∴ Stress in steel  $\sigma_s = \frac{P}{A_s} = \frac{17701.17}{125\pi} = 45.07 \text{ N/mm}^2$  (Tension)

2. A steel tube of 50 mm external diameter and 3 mm thickness encloses centrally a solid copper bar of 35 mm diameter. The bar and the tube are rigidly connected at their ends at a temperature of  $20^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Find the stress in each metal, when heated to  $170^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Also find the increase in length, if the original length of the assembly is 350 mm.

Take :  $\alpha_c = 1.7 \times 10^{-5}/^{\circ}\text{C}$ ;  $\alpha_s = 1.08 \times 10^{-5}/^{\circ}\text{C}$ ;  
 $E_c = 100 \text{ GPa}$ ;  $E_s = 200 \text{ GPa}$ .

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**Solution :** Given :  $D_s = 50 \text{ mm}$ ,  $t_k = 3 \text{ mm}$ ,  $\therefore d_s = D_s - t_k = 50 - 2(3) = 44 \text{ mm}$ ,  $d_c = 35 \text{ mm}$ ,

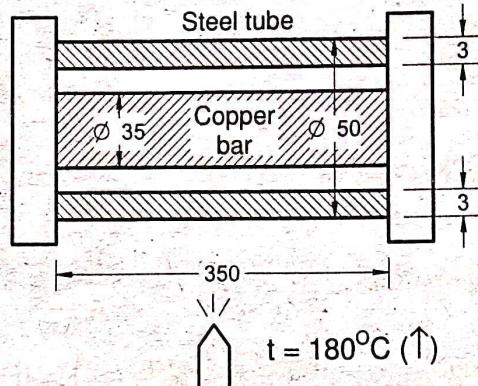
$t_i = 20^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $t_f = 170^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $\therefore t = t_f - t_i = 170 - 20 = 150^{\circ}\text{C} (\uparrow)$

$$\therefore A_s = \frac{\pi}{4}(D_s^2 - d_s^2) = \frac{\pi}{4}(50^2 - 44^2) = 141\pi \text{ mm}^2$$

$$\therefore A_c = \frac{\pi}{4}d_c^2 = \frac{\pi}{4}35^2 = 306.25\pi \text{ mm}^2$$

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$$\therefore t(\alpha_c - \alpha_s) = \frac{P}{A_c E_c} + \frac{P}{A_s E_s} \quad [\because L_c = L_s]$$

$$\therefore 150(1.7 \times 10^{-5} - 1.08 \times 10^{-5}) = P \left[ \frac{1}{306.25\pi \times 100 \times 10^3} + \frac{1}{141\pi \times 200 \times 10^3} \right]$$

$$\therefore P = 42893.95 \text{ N} = 42.89 \text{ kN}$$

$$\therefore \text{Stress in copper} \quad \sigma_c = \frac{P}{A_c} = \frac{42893.95}{306.25\pi} = 44.58 \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ (Compressive)}$$

$$\therefore \text{Stress in steel} \quad \sigma_s = \frac{P}{A_s} = \frac{42893.95}{141\pi} = 96.83 \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ (Tension)}$$

Increase in length of assembly = Total elongation of copper or steel

$$\delta l = \alpha_c t L_c - \frac{P L_c}{A_c E_c} \quad \text{or} \quad \alpha_s t L_s + \frac{P L_s}{A_s E_s}$$

$$\delta l = 1.7 \times 10^{-5} \times 150 \times 350 - \frac{42893.95 \times 350}{306.25\pi \times 100 \times 10^3}$$

$$\delta l = 0.736 \text{ mm}$$