

Chapter # 11

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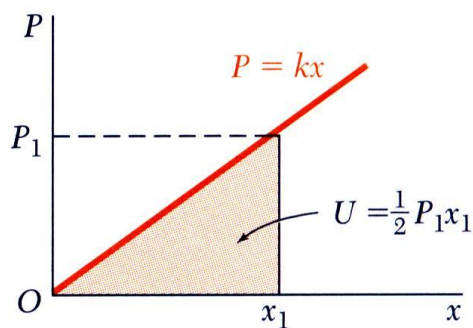
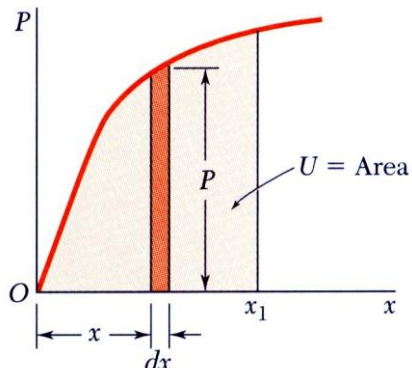
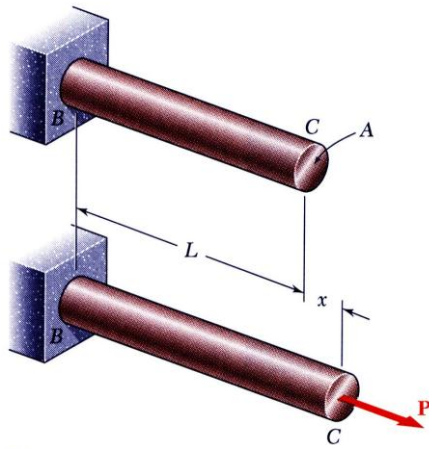
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Strain Energy



- A uniform rod is subjected to a slowly increasing load
- The *elementary work* done by the load P as the rod elongates by a small dx is

$$dU = P dx = \text{elementary work}$$

which is equal to the area of width dx under the load-deformation diagram.

- The *total work* done by the load for a deformation x_1 ,

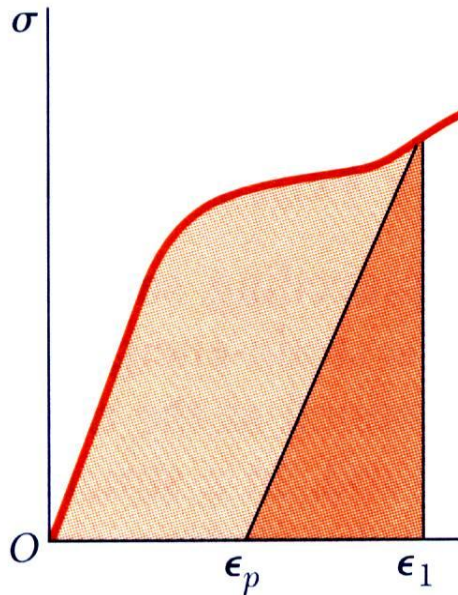
$$U = \int_0^{x_1} P dx = \text{total work} = \text{strain energy}$$

which results in an increase of *strain energy* in the rod.

- In the case of a linear elastic deformation,

$$U = \int_0^{x_1} kx dx = \frac{1}{2} kx_1^2 = \frac{1}{2} P_1 x_1$$

Strain Energy Density



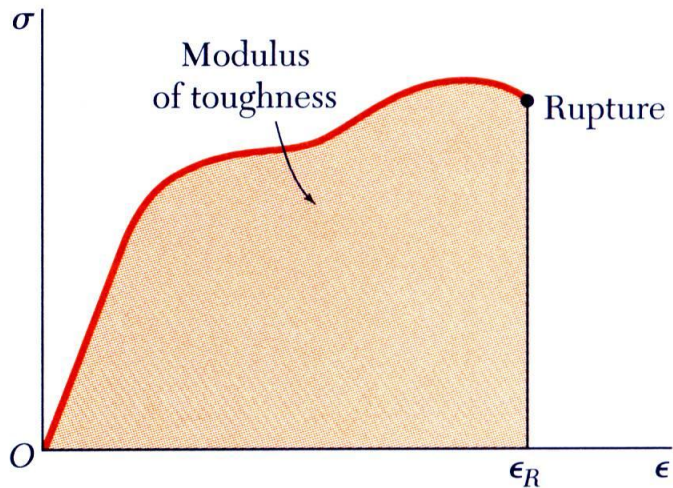
- To eliminate the effects of size, evaluate the strain-energy per unit volume,

$$\frac{U}{V} = \int_0^{x_1} \frac{P}{A} \frac{dx}{L}$$

$$u = \int_0^{\epsilon_1} \sigma_x d\epsilon = \textit{strain energy density}$$

- The total strain energy density resulting from the deformation is equal to the area under the curve to ϵ_1 .
- As the material is unloaded, the stress returns to zero but there is a permanent deformation. Only the strain energy represented by the triangular area is recovered.
- Remainder of the energy spent in deforming the material is dissipated as heat.

Strain-Energy Density

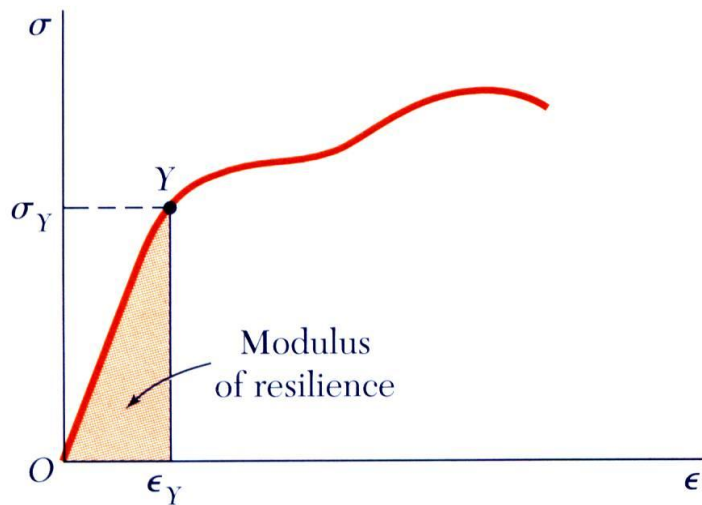


- The strain energy density resulting from setting $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_R$ is the *modulus of toughness*.
- The energy per unit volume required to cause the material to rupture is related to its ductility as well as its ultimate strength.
- If the stress remains within the proportional limit,

$$u = \int_0^{\epsilon_1} E \epsilon_1 d\epsilon_x = \frac{E \epsilon_1^2}{2} = \frac{\sigma_1^2}{2E}$$

- The strain energy density resulting from setting $\sigma_1 = \sigma_Y$ is the *modulus of resilience*.

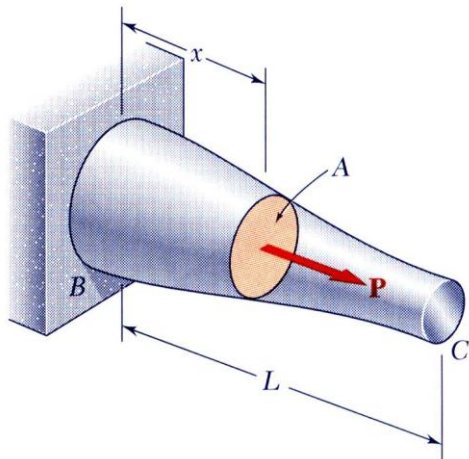
$$u_Y = \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{2E} = \text{modulus of resilience}$$



Elastic Strain Energy for Normal Stresses

- In an element with a nonuniform stress distribution,

$$u = \lim_{\Delta V \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta U}{\Delta V} = \frac{dU}{dV} \quad U = \int u \, dV = \text{total strain energy}$$

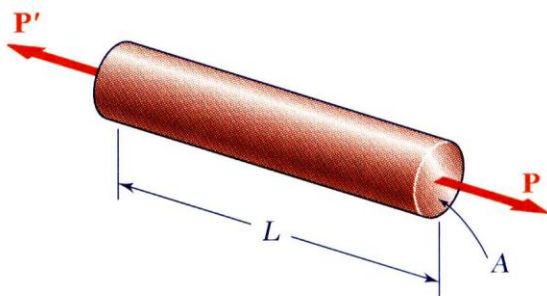


- For values of $u < u_y$, i.e., below the proportional limit,

$$U = \int \frac{\sigma_x^2}{2E} \, dV = \text{elastic strain energy}$$

- Under axial loading, $\sigma_x = P/A$ $dV = A \, dx$

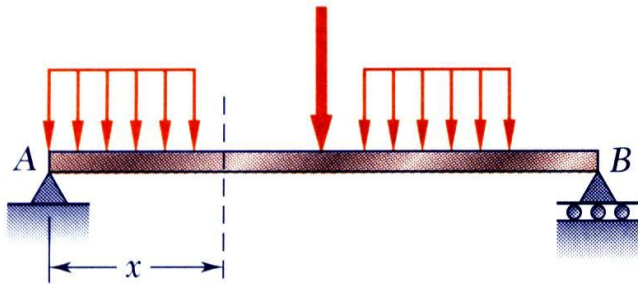
$$U = \int_0^L \frac{P^2}{2AE} \, dx$$



- For a rod of uniform cross-section,

$$U = \frac{P^2 L}{2AE}$$

Elastic Strain Energy for Normal Stresses



$$\sigma_x = \frac{M y}{I}$$

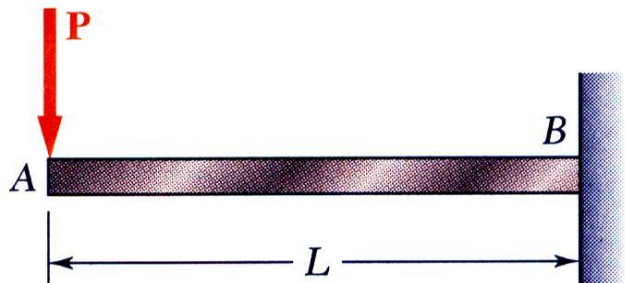
- For a beam subjected to a bending load,

$$U = \int \frac{\sigma_x^2}{2E} dV = \int \frac{M^2 y^2}{2EI^2} dV$$

- Setting $dV = dA dx$,

$$U = \int_0^L \int_A \frac{M^2 y^2}{2EI^2} dA dx = \int_0^L \frac{M^2}{2EI^2} \left(\int_A y^2 dA \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^L \frac{M^2}{2EI} dx$$



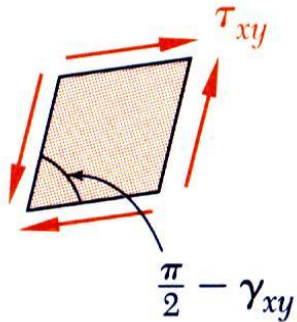
- For an end-loaded cantilever beam,

$$M = -Px$$

$$U = \int_0^L \frac{P^2 x^2}{2EI} dx = \frac{P^2 L^3}{6EI}$$



Strain Energy For Shearing Stresses



- For a material subjected to plane shearing stresses,

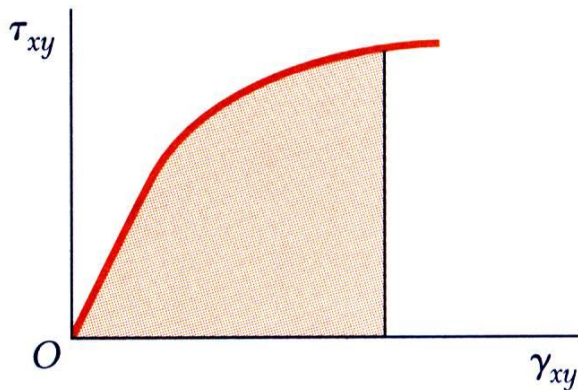
$$u = \int_0^{\gamma_{xy}} \tau_{xy} d\gamma_{xy}$$

- For values of τ_{xy} within the proportional limit,

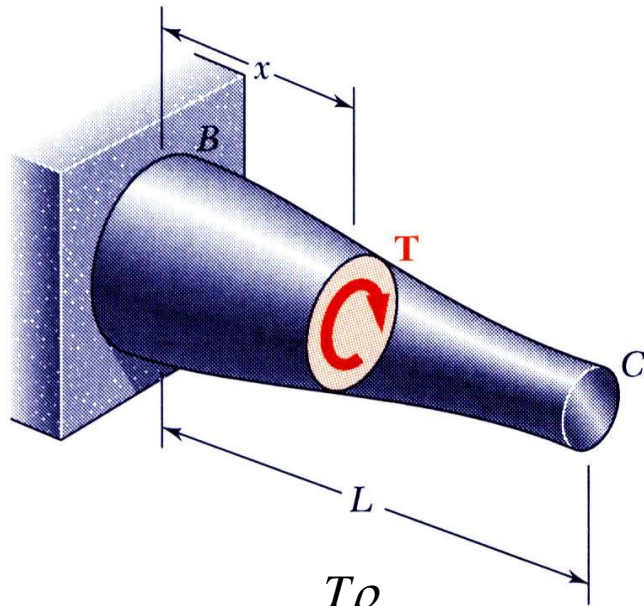
$$u = \frac{1}{2} G \gamma_{xy}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \tau_{xy} \gamma_{xy} = \frac{\tau_{xy}^2}{2G}$$

- The total strain energy is found from

$$\begin{aligned} U &= \int u dV \\ &= \int \frac{\tau_{xy}^2}{2G} dV \end{aligned}$$



Strain Energy For Shearing Stresses



$$\tau_{xy} = \frac{T\rho}{J}$$

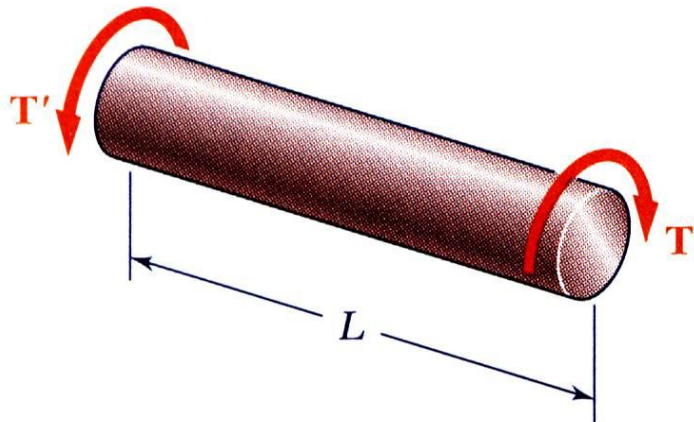
- For a shaft subjected to a torsional load,

$$U = \int \frac{\tau_{xy}^2}{2G} dV = \int \frac{T^2 \rho^2}{2GJ^2} dV$$

- Setting $dV = dA dx$,

$$U = \int_0^L \int_A \frac{T^2 \rho^2}{2GJ^2} dA dx = \int_0^L \frac{T^2}{2GJ^2} \left(\int_A \rho^2 dA \right) dx$$

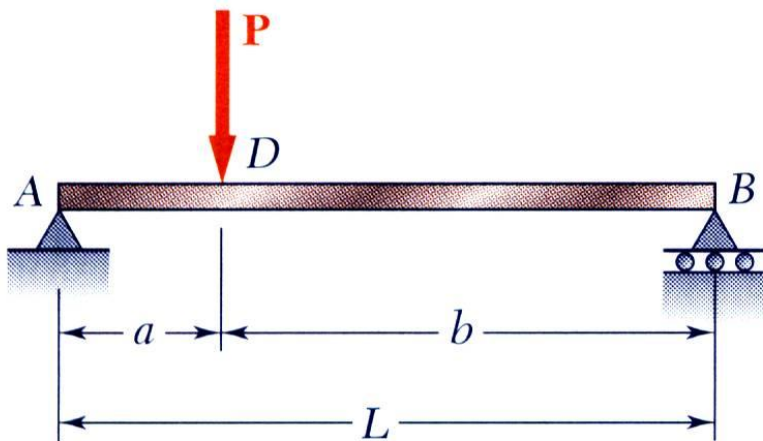
$$= \int_0^L \frac{T^2}{2GJ} dx$$



- In the case of a uniform shaft,

$$U = \frac{T^2 L}{2GJ}$$

Sample Problem 11.2

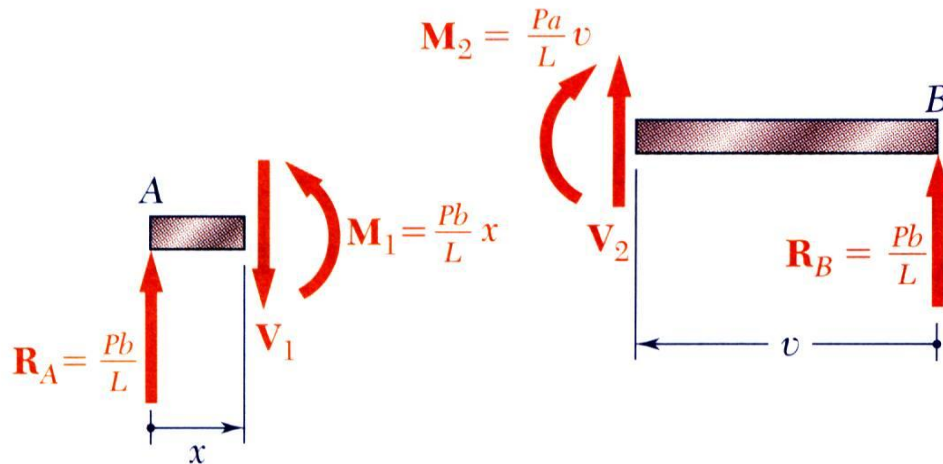
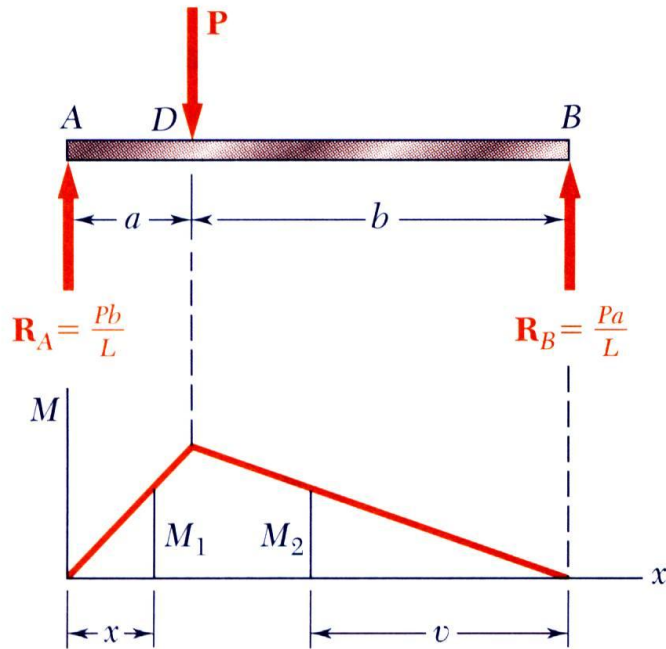


- a) Taking into account only the normal stresses due to bending, determine the strain energy of the beam for the loading shown.
- b) Evaluate the strain energy knowing that the beam is a W10x45, $P = 40$ kips, $L = 12$ ft, $a = 3$ ft, $b = 9$ ft, and $E = 29 \times 10^6$ psi.

SOLUTION:

- Determine the reactions at A and B from a free-body diagram of the complete beam.
- Develop a diagram of the bending moment distribution.
- Integrate over the volume of the beam to find the strain energy.
- Apply the particular given conditions to evaluate the strain energy.

Sample Problem 11.2



SOLUTION:

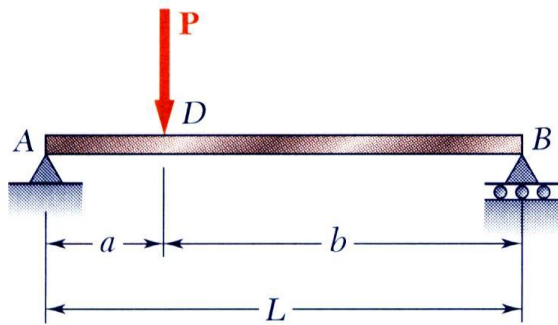
- Determine the reactions at A and B from a free-body diagram of the complete beam.

$$R_A = \frac{Pb}{L} \quad R_B = \frac{Pa}{L}$$

- Develop a diagram of the bending moment distribution.

$$M_1 = \frac{Pb}{L}x \quad M_2 = \frac{Pa}{L}v$$

Sample Problem 11.2



Over the portion AD,

$$M_1 = \frac{Pb}{L}x$$

Over the portion BD,

$$M_2 = \frac{Pa}{L}v$$

$$P = 45 \text{ kips} \quad L = 144 \text{ in.}$$

$$a = 36 \text{ in.} \quad b = 108 \text{ in.}$$

$$E = 29 \times 10^3 \text{ ksi} \quad I = 248 \text{ in}^4$$

- Integrate over the volume of the beam to find the strain energy.

$$\begin{aligned} U &= \int_0^a \frac{M_1^2}{2EI} dx + \int_0^b \frac{M_2^2}{2EI} dv \\ &= \frac{1}{2EI} \int_0^a \left(\frac{Pb}{L}x \right)^2 dx + \frac{1}{2EI} \int_0^b \left(\frac{Pa}{L}x \right)^2 dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2EI} \frac{P^2}{L^2} \left(\frac{b^2 a^3}{3} + \frac{a^2 b^3}{3} \right) = \frac{P^2 a^2 b^2}{6EIL^2} (a + b) \end{aligned}$$

$$U = \frac{P^2 a^2 b^2}{6EIL}$$

$$U = \frac{(40 \text{ kips})^2 (36 \text{ in})^2 (108 \text{ in})^2}{6(29 \times 10^3 \text{ ksi})(248 \text{ in}^4)(144 \text{ in})}$$

$$U = 3.89 \text{ in} \cdot \text{kips}$$

Strain Energy for a General State of Stress

- Previously found strain energy due to uniaxial stress and plane shearing stress. For a general state of stress,

$$u = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x \varepsilon_x + \sigma_y \varepsilon_y + \sigma_z \varepsilon_z + \tau_{xy} \gamma_{xy} + \tau_{yz} \gamma_{yz} + \tau_{zx} \gamma_{zx})$$

- With respect to the principal axes for an elastic, isotropic body,

$$u = \frac{1}{2E} [\sigma_a^2 + \sigma_b^2 + \sigma_c^2 - 2\nu(\sigma_a \sigma_b + \sigma_b \sigma_c + \sigma_c \sigma_a)]$$

$$= u_v + u_d$$

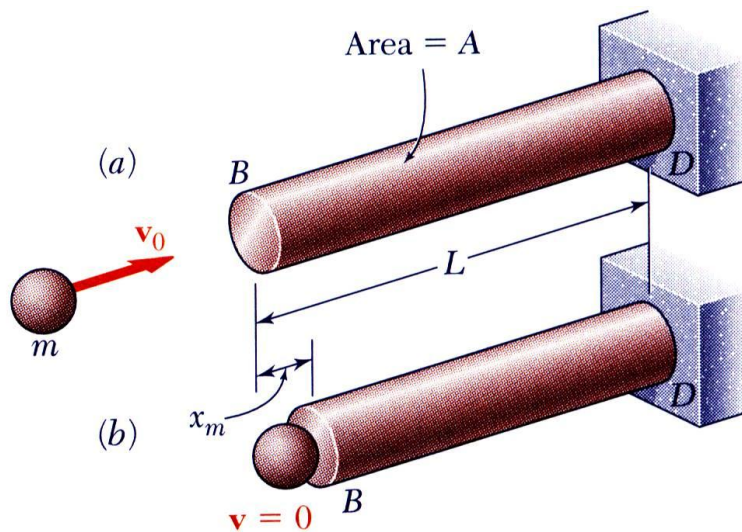
$$u_v = \frac{1-2\nu}{6E} (\sigma_a + \sigma_b + \sigma_c)^2 = \text{due to volume change}$$

$$u_d = \frac{1}{12G} [(\sigma_a - \sigma_b)^2 + (\sigma_b - \sigma_c)^2 + (\sigma_c - \sigma_a)^2] = \text{due to distortion}$$

- Basis for the *maximum distortion energy* failure criteria,

$$u_d < (u_d)_Y = \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{6G} \text{ for a tensile test specimen}$$

Impact Loading



- Consider a rod which is hit at its end with a body of mass m moving with a velocity v_0 .
- Rod deforms under impact. Stresses reach a maximum value σ_m and then disappear.

- To determine the maximum stress σ_m
 - Assume that the kinetic energy is transferred entirely to the structure,

$$U_m = \frac{1}{2}mv_0^2$$

- Assume that the stress-strain diagram obtained from a static test is also valid under impact loading.

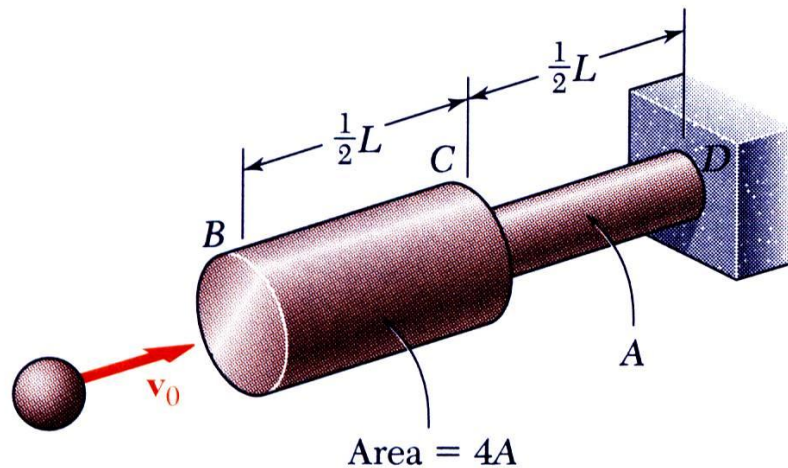
- Maximum value of the strain energy,

$$U_m = \int \frac{\sigma_m^2}{2E} dV$$

- For the case of a uniform rod,

$$\sigma_m = \sqrt{\frac{2U_mE}{V}} = \sqrt{\frac{mv_0^2E}{V}}$$

Example 11.06

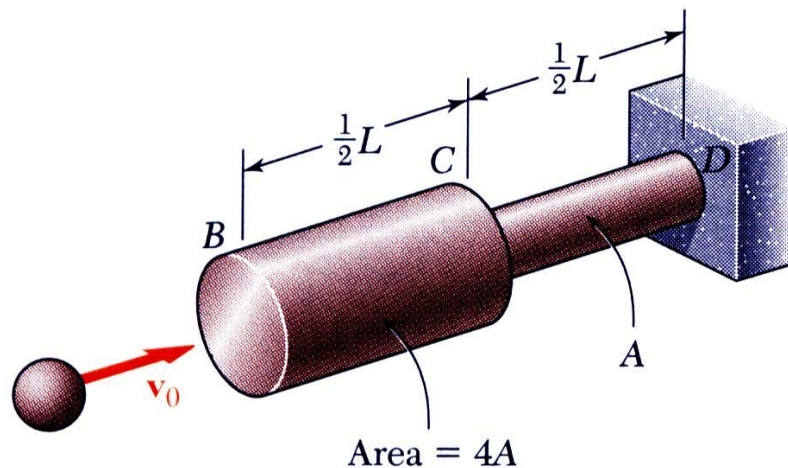


Body of mass m with velocity v_0 hits the end of the nonuniform rod BCD . Knowing that the diameter of the portion BC is twice the diameter of portion CD , determine the maximum value of the normal stress in the rod.

SOLUTION:

- Due to the change in diameter, the normal stress distribution is nonuniform.
- Find the static load P_m which produces the same strain energy as the impact.
- Evaluate the maximum stress resulting from the static load P_m

Example 11.06



- Find the static load P_m which produces the same strain energy as the impact.

$$U_m = \frac{P_m^2(L/2)}{AE} + \frac{P_m^2(L/2)}{4AE} = \frac{5}{16} \frac{P_m^2 L}{AE}$$

$$P_m = \sqrt{\frac{16 U_m A E}{5 L}}$$

- Evaluate the maximum stress resulting from the static load P_m

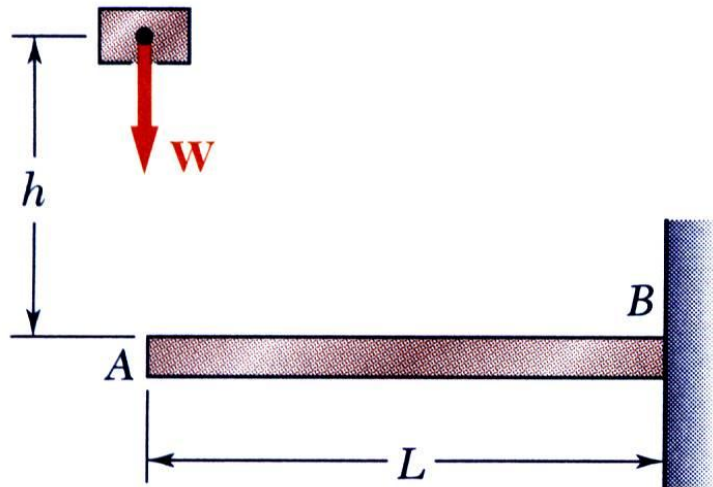
$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_m &= \frac{P_m}{A} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{16 U_m E}{5 A L}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{8 m v_0^2 E}{5 A L}} \end{aligned}$$

SOLUTION:

- Due to the change in diameter, the normal stress distribution is nonuniform.

$$\begin{aligned} U_m &= \frac{1}{2} m v_0^2 \\ &= \int \frac{\sigma_m^2}{2E} dV \neq \frac{\sigma_m^2 V}{2E} \end{aligned}$$

Example 11.07



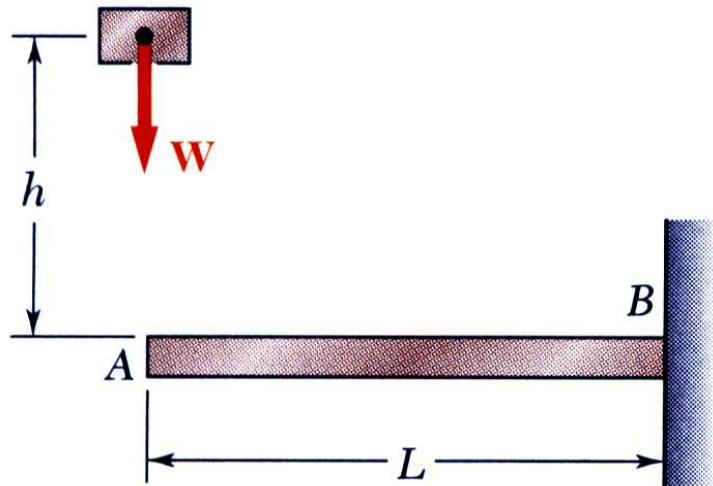
A block of weight W is dropped from a height h onto the free end of the cantilever beam. Determine the maximum value of the stresses in the beam.

SOLUTION:

- The normal stress varies linearly along the length of the beam as across a transverse section.
- Find the static load P_m which produces the same strain energy as the impact.
- Evaluate the maximum stress resulting from the static load P_m



Example 11.07



SOLUTION:

- The normal stress varies linearly along the length of the beam as across a transverse section.

$$U_m = Wh$$

$$= \int \frac{\sigma_m^2}{2E} dV \neq \frac{\sigma_m^2 V}{2E}$$

- Find the static load P_m which produces the same strain energy as the impact.

For an end-loaded cantilever beam,

$$U_m = \frac{P_m^2 L^3}{6EI}$$

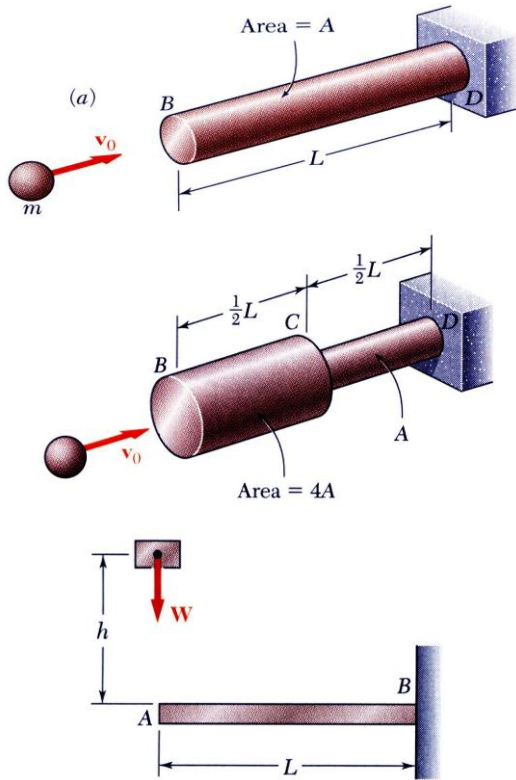
$$P_m = \sqrt{\frac{6U_m EI}{L^3}}$$

- Evaluate the maximum stress resulting from the static load P_m

$$\sigma_m = \frac{|M|_m c}{I} = \frac{P_m L c}{I}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{6U_m E}{L(I/c^2)}} = \sqrt{\frac{6WhE}{L(I/c^2)}}$$

Design for Impact Loads



- For the case of a uniform rod,

$$\sigma_m = \sqrt{\frac{2U_m E}{V}}$$

- For the case of the nonuniform rod,

$$\sigma_m = \sqrt{\frac{16 U_m E}{5 AL}}$$

$$V = 4A(L/2) + A(L/2) = 5AL/2$$

$$\sigma_m = \sqrt{\frac{8U_m E}{V}}$$

- For the case of the cantilever beam

$$\sigma_m = \sqrt{\frac{6U_m E}{L(I/c^2)}}$$

$$L(I/c^2) = L\left(\frac{1}{4}\pi c^4 / c^2\right) = \frac{1}{4}(\pi c^2 L) = \frac{1}{4}V$$

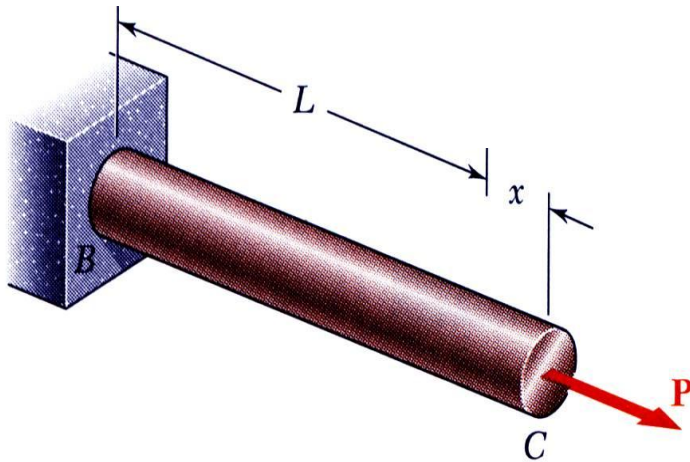
$$\sigma_m = \sqrt{\frac{24U_m E}{V}}$$

Maximum stress reduced by:

- uniformity of stress
- low modulus of elasticity with high yield strength
- high volume



Work and Energy Under a Single Load



- Previously, we found the strain energy by integrating the energy density over the volume.

For a uniform rod,

$$\begin{aligned}
 U &= \int u \, dV = \int \frac{\sigma^2}{2E} \, dV \\
 &= \int_0^L \frac{(P_1/A)^2}{2E} \, A \, dx = \frac{P_1^2 L}{2AE}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Strain energy may also be found from the work of the single load P_1 ,

$$U = \int_0^{x_1} P \, dx$$

- For an elastic deformation,

$$U = \int_0^{x_1} P \, dx = \int_0^{x_1} kx \, dx = \frac{1}{2} kx_1^2 = \frac{1}{2} P_1 x_1$$

- Knowing the relationship between force and displacement,

$$x_1 = \frac{P_1 L}{AE}$$

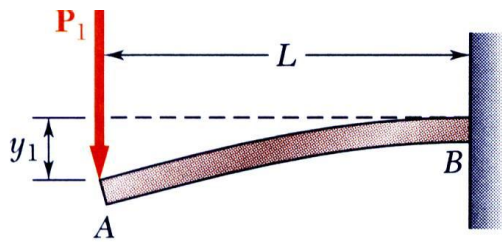
$$U = \frac{1}{2} P_1 \left(\frac{P_1 L}{AE} \right) = \frac{P_1^2 L}{2AE}$$



Work and Energy Under a Single Load

- Strain energy may be found from the work of other types of single concentrated loads.

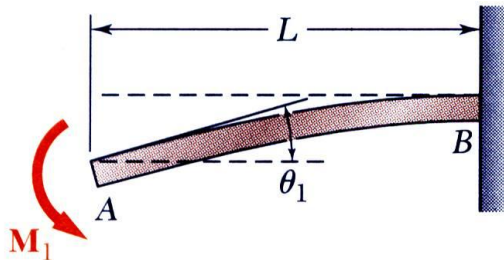
- Transverse load



$$U = \int_0^{y_1} P dy = \frac{1}{2} P_1 y_1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} P_1 \left(\frac{P_1 L^3}{3EI} \right) = \frac{P_1^2 L^3}{6EI}$$

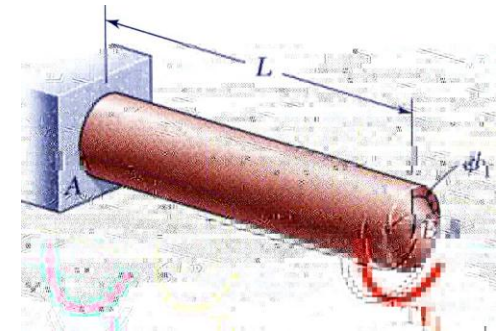
- Bending couple



$$U = \int_0^{\theta_1} M d\theta = \frac{1}{2} M_1 \theta_1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} M_1 \left(\frac{M_1 L}{EI} \right) = \frac{M_1^2 L}{2EI}$$

- Torsional couple

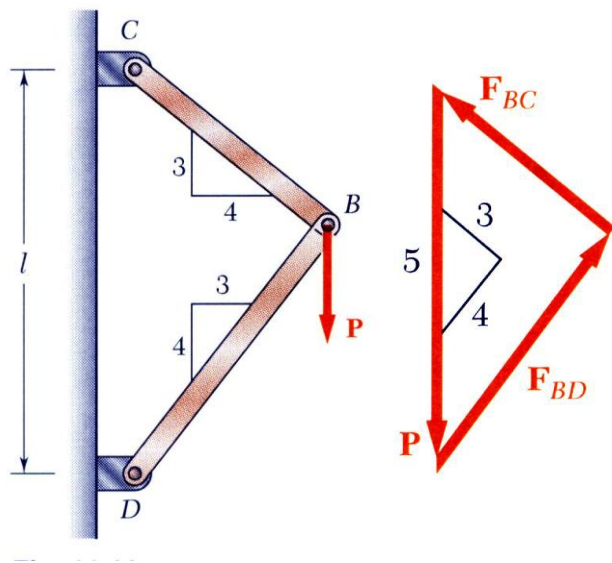


$$U = \int_0^{\phi_1} T d\phi = \frac{1}{2} T_1 \phi_1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} T_1 \left(\frac{T_1 L}{JG} \right) = \frac{T_1^2 L}{2JG}$$



Deflection Under a Single Load



- If the strain energy of a structure due to a single concentrated load is known, then the equality between the work of the load and energy may be used to find the deflection.
- Strain energy of the structure,

$$\begin{aligned}
 U &= \frac{F_{BC}^2 L_{BC}}{2AE} + \frac{F_{BD}^2 L_{BD}}{2AE} \\
 &= \frac{P^2 l \left[(0.6)^3 + (0.8)^3 \right]}{2AE} = 0.364 \frac{P^2 l}{AE}
 \end{aligned}$$

From the given geometry,

$$L_{BC} = 0.6l \quad L_{BD} = 0.8l$$

From statics,

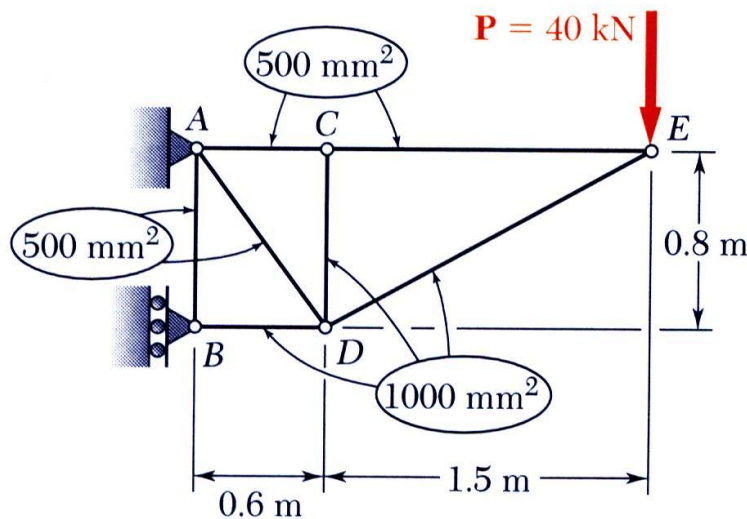
$$F_{BC} = +0.6P \quad F_{BD} = -0.8P$$

- Equating work and strain energy,

$$\begin{aligned}
 U &= 0.364 \frac{P^2 L}{AE} = \frac{1}{2} P y_B \\
 y_B &= 0.728 \frac{Pl}{AE}
 \end{aligned}$$



Sample Problem 11.4



Members of the truss shown consist of sections of aluminum pipe with the cross-sectional areas indicated. Using $E = 73 \text{ GPa}$, determine the vertical deflection of the point E caused by the load P .

SOLUTION:

- Find the reactions at A and B from a free-body diagram of the entire truss.
- Apply the method of joints to determine the axial force in each member.
- Evaluate the strain energy of the truss due to the load P .
- Equate the strain energy to the work of P and solve for the displacement.

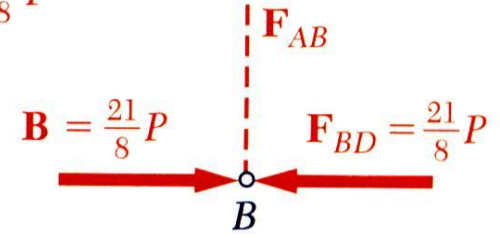
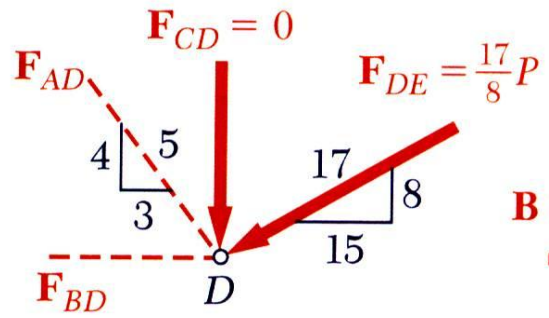
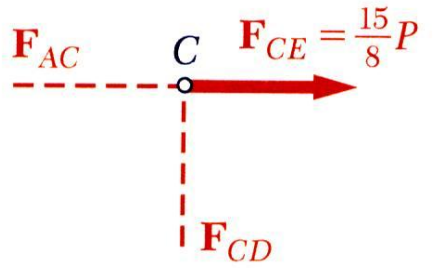
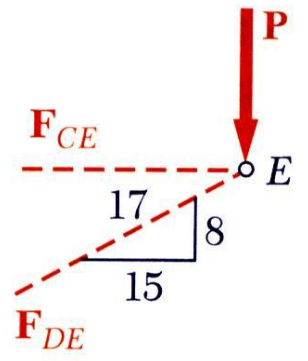
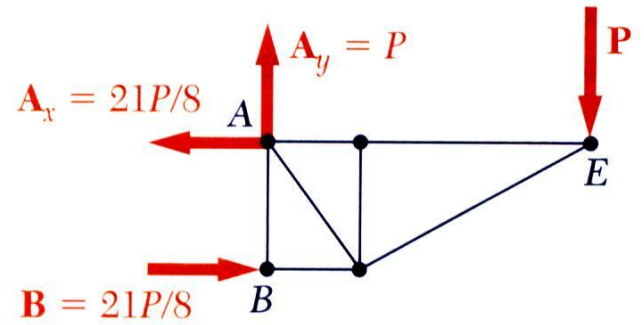
Sample Problem 11.4

SOLUTION:

- Find the reactions at A and B from a free-body diagram of the entire truss.

$$A_x = -21P/8 \quad A_y = P \quad B = 21P/8$$

- Apply the method of joints to determine the axial force in each member.



$$F_{DE} = -\frac{17}{8}P$$

$$F_{AC} = +\frac{15}{8}P$$

$$F_{DE} = \frac{5}{4}P$$

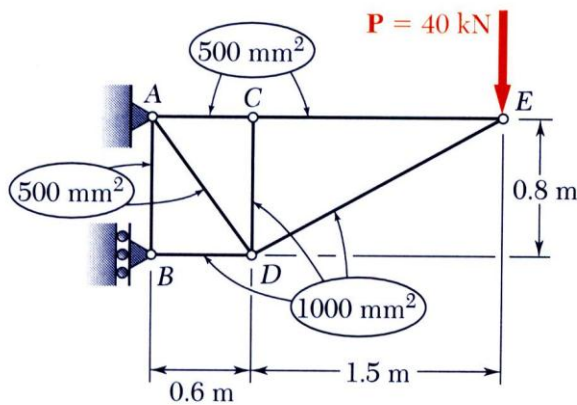
$$F_{AB} = 0$$

$$F_{CE} = +\frac{15}{8}P$$

$$F_{CD} = 0$$

$$F_{CE} = -\frac{21}{8}P$$

Sample Problem 11.4



Member	F_i	$L_i, \text{ m}$	$A_i, \text{ m}^2$	$\frac{F_i^2 L_i}{A_i}$
AB	0	0.8	500×10^{-6}	0
AC	$+15P/8$	0.6	500×10^{-6}	$4\,219P^2$
AD	$+5P/4$	1.0	500×10^{-6}	$3\,125P^2$
BD	$-21P/8$	0.6	1000×10^{-6}	$4\,134P^2$
CD	0	0.8	1000×10^{-6}	0
CE	$+15P/8$	1.5	500×10^{-6}	$10\,547P^2$
DE	$-17P/8$	1.7	1000×10^{-6}	$7\,677P^2$

- Evaluate the strain energy of the truss due to the load P .
- Equate the strain energy to the work by P and solve for the displacement.

$$U = \sum \frac{F_i^2 L_i}{2A_i E} = \frac{1}{2E} \sum \frac{F_i^2 L_i}{A_i}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2E} (29700P^2)$$

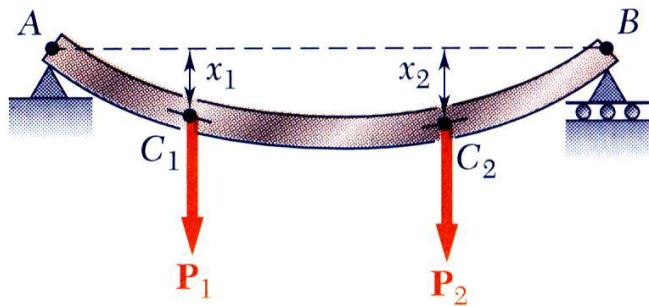
$$\frac{1}{2} P y_E = U$$

$$y_E = \frac{2U}{P} = \frac{2}{P} \left(\frac{29700P^2}{2E} \right)$$

$$y_E = \frac{(29.7 \times 10^3)(40 \times 10^3)}{73 \times 10^9}$$

$y_E = 16.27 \text{ mm} \downarrow$

Work and Energy Under Several Loads



- Deflections of an elastic beam subjected to two concentrated loads,

$$x_1 = x_{11} + x_{12} = \alpha_{11}P_1 + \alpha_{12}P_2$$

$$x_2 = x_{21} + x_{22} = \alpha_{21}P_1 + \alpha_{22}P_2$$

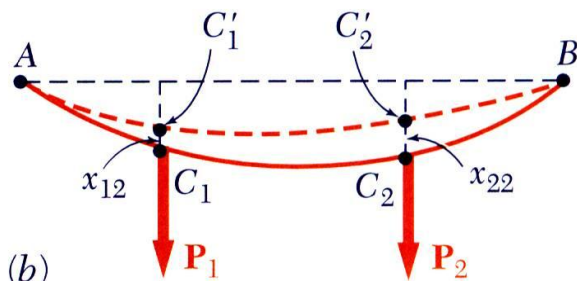
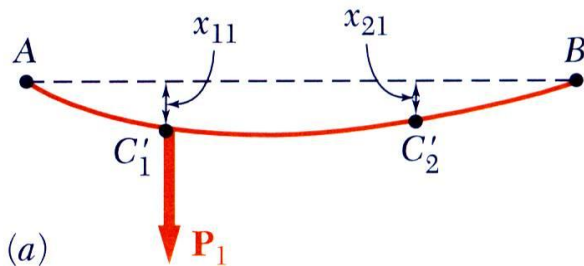
- Compute the strain energy in the beam by evaluating the work done by slowly applying P_1 followed by P_2 ,

$$U = \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_{11}P_1^2 + 2\alpha_{12}P_1P_2 + \alpha_{22}P_2^2)$$

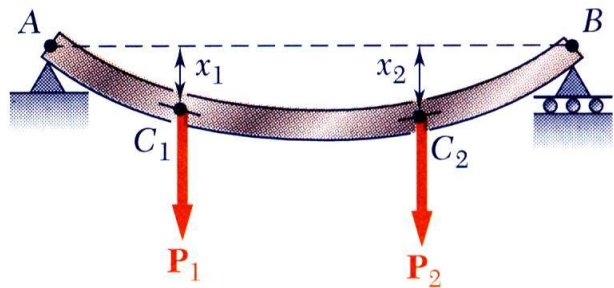
- Reversing the application sequence yields

$$U = \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_{22}P_2^2 + 2\alpha_{21}P_2P_1 + \alpha_{11}P_1^2)$$

- Strain energy expressions must be equivalent. It follows that $\alpha_{12} = \alpha_{21}$ (*Maxwell's reciprocal theorem*).



Castigliano's Theorem



- Strain energy for any elastic structure subjected to two concentrated loads,

$$U = \frac{1}{2} (\alpha_{11} P_1^2 + 2\alpha_{12} P_1 P_2 + \alpha_{22} P_2^2)$$

- Differentiating with respect to the loads,

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial P_1} = \alpha_{11} P_1 + \alpha_{12} P_2 = x_1$$

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial P_2} = \alpha_{12} P_1 + \alpha_{22} P_2 = x_2$$

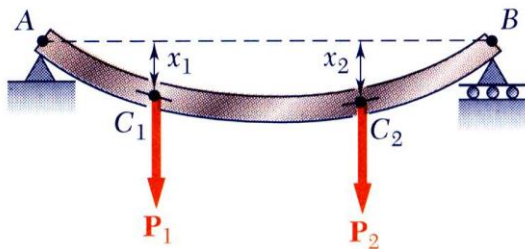
- *Castigliano's theorem*: For an elastic structure subjected to n loads, the deflection x_j of the point of application of P_j can be expressed as

$$x_j = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P_j} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_j = \frac{\partial U}{\partial M_j} \quad \phi_j = \frac{\partial U}{\partial T_j}$$



Deflections by Castigliano's Theorem

- Application of Castigliano's theorem is simplified if the differentiation with respect to the load P_j is performed before the integration or summation to obtain the strain energy U .

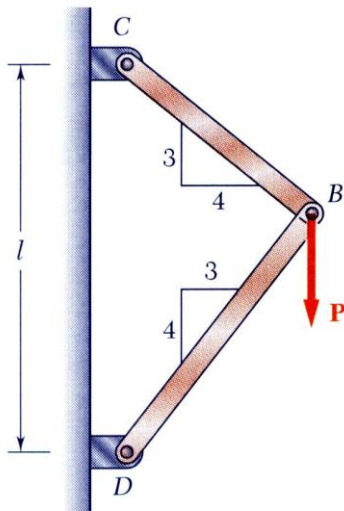


- In the case of a beam,

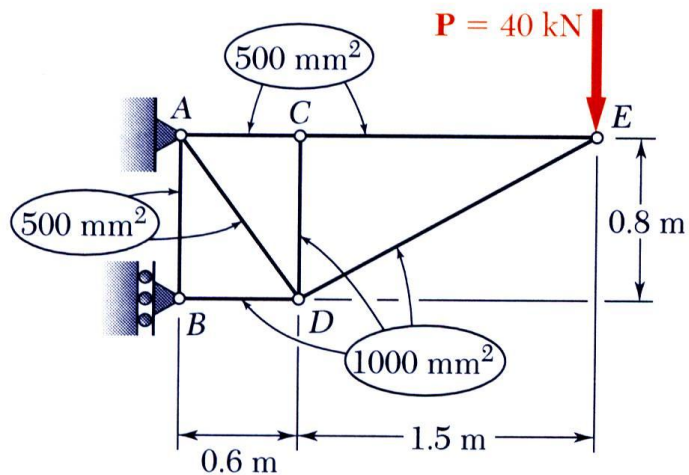
$$U = \int_0^L \frac{M^2}{2EI} dx \quad x_j = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P_j} = \int_0^L \frac{M}{EI} \frac{\partial M}{\partial P_j} dx$$

- For a truss,

$$U = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{F_i^2 L_i}{2A_i E} \quad x_j = \frac{\partial U}{\partial P_j} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{F_i L_i}{A_i E} \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial P_j}$$



Sample Problem 11.5

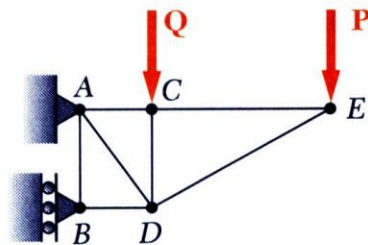


Members of the truss shown consist of sections of aluminum pipe with the cross-sectional areas indicated. Using $E = 73$ GPa, determine the vertical deflection of the joint C caused by the load P .

SOLUTION:

- For application of Castigliano's theorem, introduce a dummy vertical load Q at C . Find the reactions at A and B due to the dummy load from a free-body diagram of the entire truss.
- Apply the method of joints to determine the axial force in each member due to Q .
- Combine with the results of Sample Problem 11.4 to evaluate the derivative with respect to Q of the strain energy of the truss due to the loads P and Q .
- Setting $Q = 0$, evaluate the derivative which is equivalent to the desired displacement at C .

Sample Problem 11.5

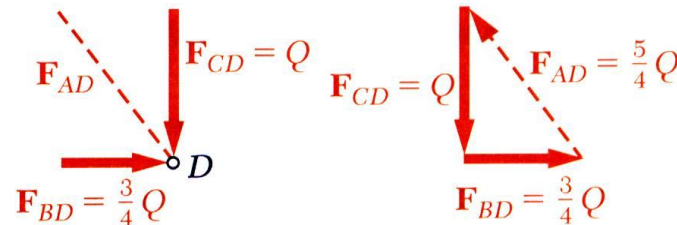
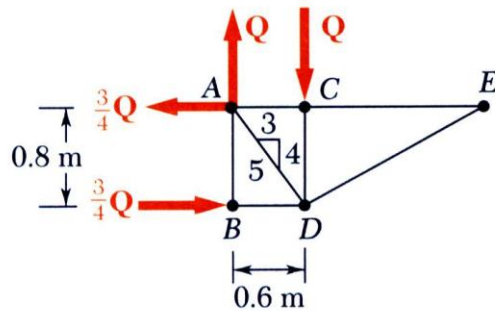


SOLUTION:

- Find the reactions at A and B due to a dummy load Q at C from a free-body diagram of the entire truss.

$$A_x = -\frac{3}{4}Q \quad A_y = Q \quad B = \frac{3}{4}Q$$

- Apply the method of joints to determine the axial force in each member due to Q .

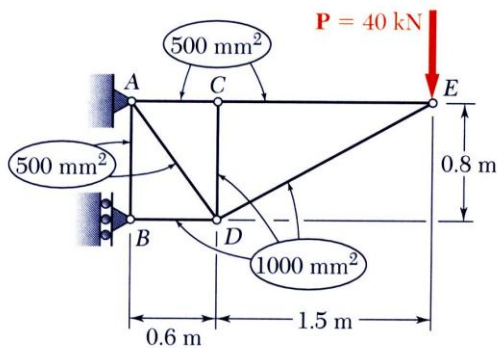


$$F_{CE} = F_{DE} = 0$$

$$F_{AC} = 0; F_{CD} = -Q$$

$$F_{AB} = 0; F_{BD} = -\frac{3}{4}Q$$

Sample Problem 11.5



Member	F_i	$\partial F_i / \partial Q$	$L_i, \text{ m}$	$A_i, \text{ m}^2$	$\left(\frac{F_i L_i}{A_i} \right) \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial Q}$
AB	0	0	0.8	500×10^{-6}	0
AC	$+15P/8$	0	0.6	500×10^{-6}	0
AD	$+5P/4 + 5Q/4$	$\frac{5}{4}$	1.0	500×10^{-6}	$+3125P + 3125Q$
BD	$-21P/8 - 3Q/4$	$-\frac{3}{4}$	0.6	1000×10^{-6}	$+1181P + 338Q$
CD	$-Q$	-1	0.8	1000×10^{-6}	$+800Q$
CE	$+15P/8$	0	1.5	500×10^{-6}	0
DE	$-17P/8$	0	1.7	1000×10^{-6}	0

- Combine with the results of Sample Problem 11.4 to evaluate the derivative with respect to Q of the strain energy of the truss due to the loads P and Q .

$$y_C = \sum \left(\frac{F_i L_i}{A_i E} \right) \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial Q} = \frac{1}{E} (4306P + 4263Q)$$

- Setting $Q = 0$, evaluate the derivative which is equivalent to the desired displacement at C .

$$y_C = \frac{4306(40 \times 10^3 \text{ N})}{73 \times 10^9 \text{ Pa}} \quad \boxed{y_C = 2.36 \text{ mm} \downarrow}$$