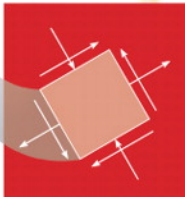




# Mechanics of Materials

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# Fundamental Equations of Mechanics of Materials

## Axial Load

Normal Stress

$$\sigma = \frac{P}{A}$$

Displacement

$$\delta = \int_0^L \frac{P(x)dx}{A(x)E}$$

$$\delta = \Sigma \frac{PL}{AE}$$

$$\delta_T = \alpha \Delta TL$$

## Torsion

Shear stress in circular shaft

$$\tau = \frac{Tr}{J}$$

where

$$J = \frac{\pi}{2} c^4 \quad \text{solid cross section}$$

$$J = \frac{\pi}{2} (c_o^4 - c_i^4) \quad \text{tubular cross section}$$

Power

$$P = T\omega = 2\pi fT$$

Angle of twist

$$\phi = \int_0^L \frac{T(x)dx}{J(x)G}$$

$$\phi = \Sigma \frac{TL}{JG}$$

Average shear stress in a thin-walled tube

$$\tau_{\text{avg}} = \frac{T}{2tA_m}$$

Shear Flow

$$q = \tau_{\text{avg}}t = \frac{T}{2A_m}$$

## Bending

Normal stress

$$\sigma = \frac{My}{I}$$

Unsymmetric bending

$$\sigma = -\frac{M_z y}{I_z} + \frac{M_y z}{I_y}, \quad \tan \alpha = \frac{I_z}{I_y} \tan \theta$$

## Shear

Average direct shear stress

$$\tau_{\text{avg}} = \frac{V}{A}$$

Transverse shear stress

$$\tau = \frac{VQ}{It}$$

Shear flow

$$q = \tau t = \frac{VQ}{I}$$

## Stress in Thin-Walled Pressure Vessel

Cylinder

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{pr}{t} \quad \sigma_2 = \frac{pr}{2t}$$

Sphere

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \frac{pr}{2t}$$

## Stress Transformation Equations

$$\sigma_{x'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

$$\tau_{x'y'} = -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$$

Principal Stress

$$\tan 2\theta_p = \frac{\tau_{xy}}{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)/2}$$

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

Maximum in-plane shear stress

$$\tan 2\theta_s = -\frac{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)/2}{\tau_{xy}}$$

$$\tau_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{avg}} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2}$$

Absolute maximum shear stress

$$\tau_{\text{abs max}} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{max}}}{2} \quad \text{for } \sigma_{\text{max}}, \sigma_{\text{min}} \text{ same sign}$$

$$\tau_{\text{abs max}} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{max}} - \sigma_{\text{min}}}{2} \quad \text{for } \sigma_{\text{max}}, \sigma_{\text{min}} \text{ opposite signs}$$

# Geometric Properties of Area Elements

## Material Property Relations

Poisson's ratio

$$\nu = -\frac{\epsilon_{\text{lat}}}{\epsilon_{\text{long}}}$$

Generalized Hooke's Law

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_x &= \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_x - \nu(\sigma_y + \sigma_z)] \\ \epsilon_y &= \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_y - \nu(\sigma_x + \sigma_z)] \\ \epsilon_z &= \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_z - \nu(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)] \\ \gamma_{xy} &= \frac{1}{G} \tau_{xy}, \quad \gamma_{yz} = \frac{1}{G} \tau_{yz}, \quad \gamma_{zx} = \frac{1}{G} \tau_{zx}\end{aligned}$$

where

$$G = \frac{E}{2(1 + \nu)}$$

## Relations Between $w$ , $V$ , $M$

$$\frac{dV}{dx} = w(x), \quad \frac{dM}{dx} = V$$

## Elastic Curve

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{\rho} &= \frac{M}{EI} \\ EI \frac{d^4v}{dx^4} &= w(x) \\ EI \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} &= V(x) \\ EI \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} &= M(x)\end{aligned}$$

## Buckling

Critical axial load

$$P_{\text{cr}} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{(KL)^2}$$

Critical stress

$$\sigma_{\text{cr}} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{(KL/r)^2}, \quad r = \sqrt{I/A}$$

Secant formula

$$\sigma_{\text{max}} = \frac{P}{A} \left[ 1 + \frac{ec}{r^2} \sec \left( \frac{L}{2r} \sqrt{\frac{P}{EA}} \right) \right]$$

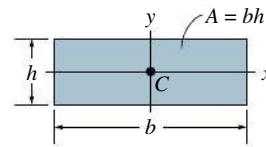
## Energy Methods

Conservation of energy

$$U_e = U_i$$

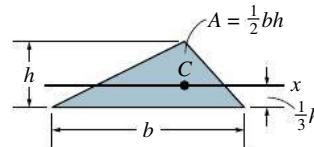
Strain energy

$$\begin{aligned}U_i &= \frac{N^2 L}{2AE} \quad \text{constant axial load} \\ U_i &= \int_0^L \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI} \quad \text{bending moment} \\ U_i &= \int_0^L \frac{f_s V^2 dx}{2GA} \quad \text{transverse shear} \\ U_i &= \int_0^L \frac{T^2 dx}{2GJ} \quad \text{torsional moment}\end{aligned}$$



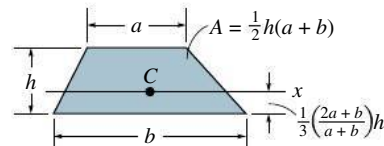
Rectangular area

$$\begin{aligned}I_x &= \frac{1}{12} bh^3 \\ I_y &= \frac{1}{12} hb^3\end{aligned}$$

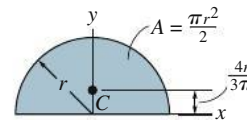


Triangular area

$$I_x = \frac{1}{36} bh^3$$

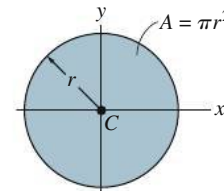


Trapezoidal area



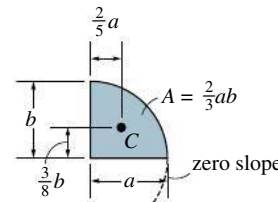
Semicircular area

$$\begin{aligned}I_x &= \frac{1}{8} \pi r^4 \\ I_y &= \frac{1}{8} \pi r^4\end{aligned}$$

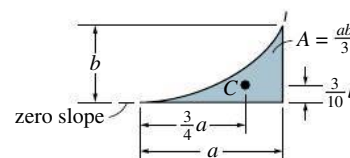


Circular area

$$\begin{aligned}I_x &= \frac{1}{4} \pi r^4 \\ I_y &= \frac{1}{4} \pi r^4\end{aligned}$$



Semiparabolic area



Exparabolic area

Average Mechanical Properties of Typical Engineering Materials<sup>a</sup>  
(SI Units)

Materials	Density $\rho$ (Mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Modulus of Elasticity $E$ (GPa)	Modulus of Rigidity $G$ (GPa)	Yield Strength (MPa) $\sigma_y$			Ultimate Strength (MPa) $\sigma_u$			%Elongation in 50 mm specimen	Poisson's Ratio $\nu$	Coef. of Therm. Expansion $\alpha$ (10 <sup>-6</sup> )/°C
				Tens.	Comp. <sup>b</sup>	Shear	Tens.	Comp. <sup>b</sup>	Shear			
<b>Metallic</b>												
Aluminum	2.79	73.1	27	414	414	172	469	469	290	10	0.35	23
Wrought Alloys	2.71	68.9	26	255	255	131	290	290	186	12	0.35	24
Cast Iron Alloys	7.19	67.0	27	–	–	–	179	669	–	0.6	0.28	12
	7.28	172	68	–	–	–	276	572	–	5	0.28	12
Copper Alloys	8.74	101	37	70.0	70.0	–	241	241	–	35	0.35	18
	8.83	103	38	345	345	–	655	655	–	20	0.34	17
Magnesium Alloy	1.83	44.7	18	152	152	–	276	276	152	1	0.30	26
Steel Alloys	7.85	200	75	250	250	–	400	400	–	30	0.32	12
	7.85	200	75	345	345	–	450	450	–	30	0.32	12
	7.86	193	75	207	207	–	517	517	–	40	0.27	17
	8.16	200	75	703	703	–	800	800	–	22	0.32	12
Titanium Alloy	4.43	120	44	924	924	–	1,000	1,000	–	16	0.36	9.4
<b>Nonmetallic</b>												
Concrete	2.38	22.1	–	–	–	12	–	–	–	–	0.15	11
	2.37	29.0	–	–	–	38	–	–	–	–	0.15	11
Plastic Reinforced	1.45	131	–	–	–	–	717	483	20.3	2.8	0.34	–
	1.45	72.4	–	–	–	–	90	131	–	–	0.34	–
Wood Select Structural Grade	0.47	13.1	–	–	–	–	2.1 <sup>c</sup>	26 <sup>d</sup>	6.2 <sup>d</sup>	–	0.29 <sup>e</sup>	–
	3.60	9.65	–	–	–	–	2.5 <sup>c</sup>	36 <sup>d</sup>	6.7 <sup>d</sup>	–	0.31 <sup>e</sup>	–

<sup>a</sup> Specific values may vary for a particular material due to alloy or mineral composition, mechanical working of the specimen, or heat treatment. For a more exact value reference books for the material should be consulted.

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<b>Metallic</b>												
Aluminum Wrought Alloys	0.101	10.6	3.9	60	60	25	68	68	42	10	0.35	12.8
Aluminum Wrought Alloys	0.098	10.0	3.7	37	37	19	42	42	27	12	0.35	13.1
Cast Iron Alloys	0.260	10.0	3.9	–	–	–	26	96	–	0.6	0.28	6.70
Cast Iron Alloys	0.263	25.0	9.8	–	–	–	40	83	–	5	0.28	6.60
Copper Alloys	0.316	14.6	5.4	11.4	11.4	–	35	35	–	35	0.35	9.80
Copper Alloys	0.319	15.0	5.6	50	50	–	35	35	–	20	0.34	9.60
Magnesium Alloy [Am 1004-T61]	0.066	6.48	2.5	22	22	–	40	40	22	1	0.30	14.3
Steel Alloys	0.284	29.0	11.0	36	36	–	58	58	–	30	0.32	6.60
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Steel Alloys	0.295	29.0	11.0	102	102	–	116	116	–	22	0.32	6.50
Titanium Alloy [Ti-6Al-4V]	0.160	17.4	6.4	134	134	–	145	145	–	16	0.36	5.20
<b>Nonmetallic</b>												
Concrete	0.086	3.20	–	–	–	1.8	–	–	–	–	0.15	6.0
Concrete	0.086	4.20	–	–	–	5.5	–	–	–	–	0.15	6.0
Plastic	0.0524	19.0	–	–	–	–	104	70	10.2	2.8	0.34	–
Reinforced Plastic	0.0524	10.5	–	–	–	–	13	19	–	–	0.34	–
Wood	0.017	1.90	–	–	–	–	0.30 <sup>c</sup>	3.78 <sup>d</sup>	0.90 <sup>d</sup>	–	0.29 <sup>e</sup>	–
Select Structural Grade	0.130	1.40	–	–	–	–	0.36 <sup>c</sup>	5.18 <sup>d</sup>	0.97 <sup>d</sup>	–	0.31 <sup>e</sup>	–

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## To the Student

With the hope that this work will stimulate  
an interest in Engineering Mechanics  
and provide an acceptable guide to its understanding.



# PREFACE

It is intended that this book provide the student with a clear and thorough presentation of the theory and application of the principles of mechanics of materials. To achieve this objective, over the years this work has been shaped by the comments and suggestions of hundreds of reviewers in the teaching profession, as well as many of the author's students. The eighth edition has been significantly enhanced from the previous edition, and it is hoped that both the instructor and student will benefit greatly from these improvements.

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## New to This Edition

- **Preliminary Problems.** This feature can be found throughout the text, and is given just before the Fundamental Problems. The intent here is to test the student's conceptual understanding of the theory. Normally the solutions require little or no calculation, and as such, these problems provide a basic understanding of the concepts before they are applied numerically. All the solutions are given in the back of the text.
- **Updated Examples.** Some portions of the text have been rewritten in order to enhance clarity and be more succinct. In this regard, some new examples have been added and others have been modified to provide more emphasis on the application of important concepts. Included is application of the LRFD method of design, and use of A992 steel for structural applications. Also, the artwork has been improved throughout the book to support these changes.
- **New Photos.** The relevance of knowing the subject matter is reflected by the real-world applications depicted in over 30 new or updated photos placed throughout the book. These photos generally are used to explain how the relevant principles apply to real-world situations and how materials behave under load.
- **Additional Fundamental Problems.** These problem sets are located just after each group of example problems. In this edition they have been expanded. They offer students simple applications of the concepts covered in each section and, therefore, provide them with the chance to develop their problem-solving skills before attempting to solve any of the standard problems that follow. The fundamental problems may be considered as extended examples, since the key equations and answers are all listed in the back of the book. Additionally, when assigned, these problems offer students an excellent means of preparing for exams, and they can be used at a later time as a review when studying for the Fundamentals of Engineering Exam.

- **Additional Conceptual Problems.** Throughout the text, usually at the end of each chapter, there is a set of problems that involve conceptual situations related to the application of the principles contained in the chapter. These analysis and design problems are intended to engage the students in thinking through a real-life situation as depicted in a photo. They can be assigned after the students have developed some expertise in the subject matter and they work well either for individual or team projects.
- **New Problems.** There are approximately 31%, or about 460, new problems added to this edition, which involve applications to many different fields of engineering.

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## Contents

The subject matter is organized into 14 chapters. Chapter 1 begins with a review of the important concepts of statics, followed by a formal definition of both normal and shear stress, and a discussion of normal stress in axially loaded members and average shear stress caused by direct shear.

In Chapter 2 normal and shear strain are defined, and in Chapter 3 a discussion of some of the important mechanical properties of materials is given. Separate treatments of axial load, torsion, and bending are presented in Chapters 4, 5, and 6, respectively. In each of these chapters, both linear-elastic and plastic behavior of the material are considered. Also, topics related to stress concentrations and residual stress are included. Transverse shear is discussed in Chapter 7, along with a discussion of thin-walled tubes, shear flow, and the shear center. Chapter 8 includes a discussion of thin-walled pressure vessels and provides a partial review of the material covered in the previous chapters, where the state of stress results from combined loadings. In Chapter 9 the concepts for transforming multiaxial states of stress are presented. In a similar manner, Chapter 10 discusses the methods for strain transformation, including the application of various theories of failure. Chapter 11 provides a means for a further summary and review of previous material by covering design applications of beams and shafts. In Chapter 12 various methods for computing deflections of beams and shafts are covered. Also included is a discussion for finding the reactions on these members if they are statically indeterminate. Chapter 13 provides a discussion of column buckling, and lastly, in Chapter 14 the problem of impact and the application of various energy methods for computing deflections are considered.

Sections of the book that contain more advanced material are indicated by a star (\*). Time permitting, some of these topics may be included in the course. Furthermore, this material provides a suitable reference for basic principles when it is covered in other courses, and it can be used as a basis for assigning special projects.

**Alternative Method of Coverage.** Some instructors prefer to cover stress and strain transformations *first*, before discussing specific applications of axial load, torsion, bending, and shear. One possible method for doing this would be first to cover stress and its transformation, Chapter 1 and Chapter 9, followed by strain and its transformation, Chapter 2 and the first part of Chapter 10. The discussion and example problems in these later chapters have been styled so that this is possible. Also, the problem sets have been subdivided so that this material can be covered without prior knowledge of the intervening chapters. Chapters 3 through 8 can then be covered with no loss in continuity.

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## Hallmark Elements

**Organization and Approach.** The contents of each chapter are organized into well-defined sections that contain an explanation of specific topics, illustrative example problems, and a set of homework problems. The topics within each section are placed into subgroups defined by titles. The purpose of this is to present a structured method for introducing each new definition or concept and to make the book convenient for later reference and review.

**Chapter Contents.** Each chapter begins with a full-page illustration that indicates a broad-range application of the material within the chapter. The “Chapter Objectives” are then provided to give a general overview of the material that will be covered.

**Procedures for Analysis.** Found after many of the sections of the book, this unique feature provides the student with a logical and orderly method to follow when applying the theory. The example problems are solved using this outlined method in order to clarify its numerical application. It is to be understood, however, that once the relevant principles have been mastered and enough confidence and judgment have been obtained, the student can then develop his or her own procedures for solving problems.

**Photographs.** Many photographs are used throughout the book to enhance conceptual understanding and explain how the principles of mechanics of materials apply to real-world situations.

**Important Points.** This feature provides a review or summary of the most important concepts in a section and highlights the most significant points that should be realized when applying the theory to solve problems.

**Example Problems.** All the example problems are presented in a concise manner and in a style that is easy to understand.

**Homework Problems.** Apart from the preliminary, fundamental, and conceptual problems, there are numerous standard problems in the

book that depict realistic situations encountered in engineering practice. It is hoped that this realism will both stimulate the student's interest in the subject and provide a means for developing the skill to reduce any such problem from its physical description to a model or a symbolic representation to which principles may be applied. Throughout the book there is an approximate balance of problems using either SI or FPS units. Furthermore, in any set, an attempt has been made to arrange the problems in order of increasing difficulty. The answers to all but every fourth problem are listed in the back of the book. To alert the user to a problem without a reported answer, an asterisk (\*) is placed before the problem number. Answers are reported to three significant figures, even though the data for material properties may be known with less accuracy. Although this might appear to be a poor practice, it is done simply to be consistent, and to allow the student a better chance to validate his or her solution. A solid square (■) is used to identify problems that require a numerical analysis or a computer application.

**Appendices.** The appendices of the book provide a source for review and a listing of tabular data. Appendix A provides information on the centroid and the moment of inertia of an area. Appendices B and C list tabular data for structural shapes, and the deflection and slopes of various types of beams and shafts.

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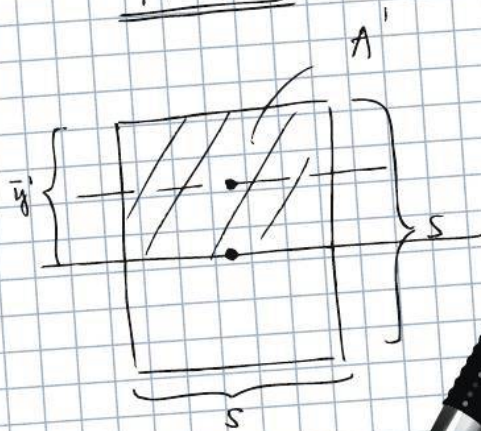
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# your work...

PART A



$$s = 6.75 \text{ in}$$

$$\bar{y}' = \frac{s}{2} = \frac{6.75 \text{ in}}{2} = 3.375 \text{ in}$$

$$A' = s \times 0.5 \times s = 6.75 \text{ in} \times 0.5 \times 6.75 \text{ in} = 22.8 \text{ in}^2$$

$$Q = \bar{y}' A' = 3.375 \text{ in} \times 22.8 \text{ in}^2 = 76.9 \text{ in}^3$$

$$Q = 76.9 \text{ in}^3$$

# your answer **specific feedback**

$Q =$   reset shortcuts help

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## Try Again; 4 attempts remaining

The distance between the horizontal centroidal axis of area  $A'$  and the neutral axis of the beam's cross section is not half the distance between the top of the shaft and the neutral axis.

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## Resources for Instructors

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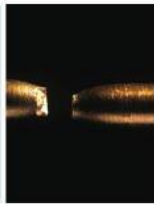
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# MECHANICS OF MATERIALS

# Chapter 1



The bolts used for the connections of this steel framework are subjected to stress. In this chapter we will discuss how engineers design these connections and their fasteners.

# Stress

## CHAPTER OBJECTIVES

- In this chapter we will review some of the important principles of statics and show how they are used to determine the internal resultant loadings in a body. Afterwards the concepts of normal and shear stress will be introduced, and specific applications of the analysis and design of members subjected to an axial load or direct shear will be discussed.

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## 1.1 Introduction

*Mechanics of materials* is a branch of mechanics that studies the internal effects of stress and strain in a solid body that is subjected to an external loading. Stress is associated with the strength of the material from which the body is made, while strain is a measure of the deformation of the body. In addition to this, mechanics of materials includes the study of the body's stability when a body such as a column is subjected to compressive loading. A thorough understanding of the fundamentals of this subject is of vital importance because many of the formulas and rules of design cited in engineering codes are based upon the principles of this subject.

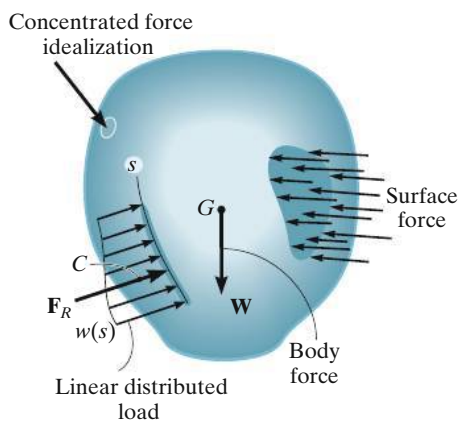
**Historical Development.** The origin of mechanics of materials dates back to the beginning of the seventeenth century, when Galileo performed experiments to study the effects of loads on rods and beams made of various materials. However, at the beginning of the eighteenth century, experimental methods for testing materials were vastly improved, and at that time many experimental and theoretical studies in this subject were undertaken primarily in France, by such notables as Saint-Venant, Poisson, Lamé and Navier.

Over the years, after many of the fundamental problems of mechanics of materials had been solved, it became necessary to use advanced mathematical and computer techniques to solve more complex problems. As a result, this subject expanded into other areas of mechanics, such as the *theory of elasticity* and the *theory of plasticity*. Research in these fields is ongoing, in order to meet the demands for solving more advanced problems in engineering.

## 1.2 Equilibrium of a Deformable Body

Since statics has an important role in both the development and application of mechanics of materials, it is very important to have a good grasp of its fundamentals. For this reason we will review some of the main principles of statics that will be used throughout the text.

**External Loads.** A body is subjected to only two types of external loads; namely, surface forces and body forces, Fig. 1-1.



**Fig. 1-1**

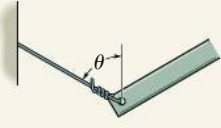
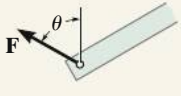

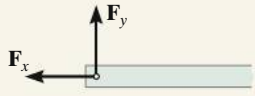

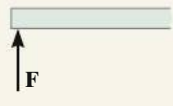

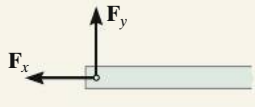
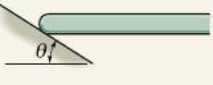
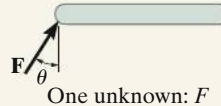

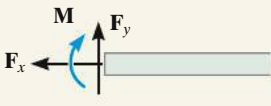
**Surface Forces.** *Surface forces* are caused by the direct contact of one body with the surface of another. In all cases these forces are distributed over the *area* of contact between the bodies. If this area is small in comparison with the total surface area of the body, then the surface force can be *idealized* as a single **concentrated force**, which is applied to a *point* on the body. For example, the force of the ground on the wheels of a bicycle can be considered as a concentrated force. If the surface loading is applied along a narrow strip of area, the loading can be *idealized* as a **linear distributed load**,  $w(s)$ . Here the loading is measured as having an intensity of force/length along the strip and is represented graphically by a series of arrows along the line  $s$ . **The resultant force  $F_R$  of  $w(s)$  is equivalent to the area under the distributed loading curve, and this resultant acts through the centroid  $C$  or geometric center of this area.** The loading along the length of a beam is a typical example of where this idealization is often applied.

**Body Forces.** A *body force* is developed when one body exerts a force on another body without direct physical contact between the bodies. Examples include the effects caused by the earth's gravitation or its electromagnetic field. Although body forces affect each of the particles composing the body, these forces are normally represented by a single concentrated force acting on the body. In the case of gravitation, this force is called the *weight* of the body and acts through the body's center of gravity.

**Support Reactions.** The surface forces that develop at the supports or points of contact between bodies are called *reactions*. For two-dimensional problems, i.e., bodies subjected to coplanar force systems, the supports most commonly encountered are shown in Table 1-1. Note carefully the symbol used to represent each support and the type of reactions it exerts on its contacting member. As a general rule, *if the support prevents translation in a given direction, then a force must be developed on the member in that direction. Likewise, if rotation is prevented, a couple moment must be exerted on the member.* For example, the roller support only prevents translation perpendicular or normal to the surface. Hence, the roller exerts a normal force  $F$  on the member at its point of contact. Since the member can freely rotate about the roller, a couple moment cannot be developed on the member.



Many machine elements are pin connected in order to enable free rotation at their connections. These supports exert a force on a member, but no moment.

TABLE 1-1			
Type of connection	Reaction	Type of connection	Reaction
 <p>Cable</p>	 <p>One unknown: <math>F</math></p>	 <p>External pin</p>	 <p>Two unknowns: <math>F_x, F_y</math></p>
 <p>Roller</p>	 <p>One unknown: <math>F</math></p>	 <p>Internal pin</p>	 <p>Two unknowns: <math>F_x, F_y</math></p>
 <p>Smooth support</p>	 <p>One unknown: <math>F</math></p>	 <p>Fixed support</p>	 <p>Three unknowns: <math>F_x, F_y, M</math></p>

**Equations of Equilibrium.** Equilibrium of a body requires both a *balance of forces*, to prevent the body from translating or having accelerated motion along a straight or curved path, and a *balance of moments*, to prevent the body from rotating. These conditions can be expressed mathematically by two vector equations

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \mathbf{F} &= \mathbf{0} \\ \Sigma \mathbf{M}_O &= \mathbf{0} \end{aligned} \quad (1-1)$$

Here,  $\Sigma \mathbf{F}$  represents the sum of all the forces acting on the body, and  $\Sigma \mathbf{M}_O$  is the sum of the moments of all the forces about any point  $O$  either on or off the body. If an  $x, y, z$  coordinate system is established with the origin at point  $O$ , the force and moment vectors can be resolved into components along each coordinate axis and the above two equations can be written in scalar form as six equations, namely,

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma F_x &= 0 & \Sigma F_y &= 0 & \Sigma F_z &= 0 \\ \Sigma M_x &= 0 & \Sigma M_y &= 0 & \Sigma M_z &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (1-2)$$

Often in engineering practice the loading on a body can be represented as a system of *coplanar forces*. If this is the case, and the forces lie in the  $x$ - $y$  plane, then the conditions for equilibrium of the body can be specified with only three scalar equilibrium equations; that is,



In order to design the horizontal members of this building frame, it is first necessary to find the internal loadings at various points along their length.

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma F_x &= 0 \\ \Sigma F_y &= 0 \\ \Sigma M_O &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (1-3)$$

Here all the moments are summed about point  $O$  and so they will be directed along the  $z$  axis.

Successful application of the equations of equilibrium requires complete specification of all the known and unknown forces that act *on* the body, and so ***the best way to account for all these forces is to draw the body's free-body diagram.***

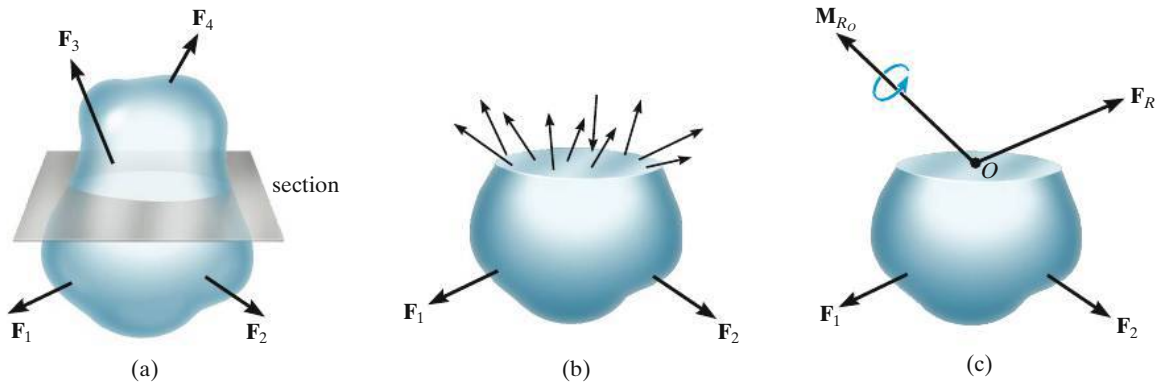


Fig. 1-2

**Internal Resultant Loadings.** In mechanics of materials, statics is primarily used to determine the resultant loadings that act within a body. For example, consider the body shown in Fig. 1-2a, which is held in equilibrium by the four external forces.\* In order to obtain the internal loadings acting on a specific region within the body, it is necessary to pass an imaginary section or “cut” through the region where the internal loadings are to be determined. The two parts of the body are then separated, and a free-body diagram of one of the parts is drawn, Fig. 1-2b. Notice that there is actually a distribution of internal force acting on the “exposed” area of the section. These forces represent the effects of the material of the top part of the body acting on the adjacent material of the bottom part.

Although the exact distribution of this internal loading may be *unknown*, we can use the equations of equilibrium to relate the external forces on the bottom part of the body to the distribution’s *resultant force and moment*,  $\mathbf{F}_R$  and  $\mathbf{M}_{R_o}$ , at any specific point  $O$  on the sectioned area, Fig. 1-2c. It will be shown in later portions of the text that point  $O$  is most often chosen at the *centroid* of the sectioned area, and so we will always choose this location for  $O$ , unless otherwise stated. Also, if a member is long and slender, as in the case of a rod or beam, the section to be considered is generally taken *perpendicular* to the longitudinal axis of the member. This section is referred to as the **cross section**.

\*The body’s weight is not shown, since it is assumed to be quite small, and therefore negligible compared with the other loads.



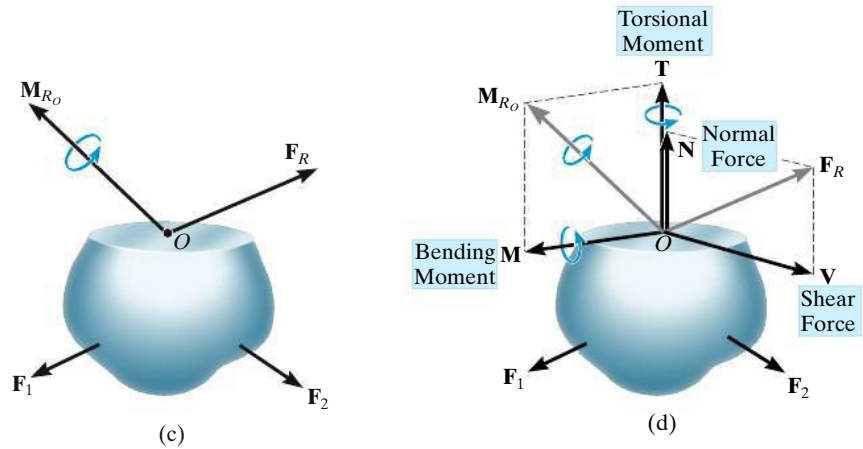


Fig. 1-2 (cont.)



The weight of this sign and the wind loadings acting on it will cause normal and shear forces and bending and torsional moments in the supporting column.

**Three Dimensions.** Later in this text we will show how to relate the resultant loadings,  $F_R$  and  $M_{R_o}$ , to the *distribution of force* on the sectioned area, and thereby develop equations that can be used for analysis and design. To do this, however, the components of  $F_R$  and  $M_{R_o}$  acting both normal and perpendicular to the sectioned area must be considered, Fig. 1-2d. Four different types of resultant loadings can then be defined as follows:

**Normal force,  $N$ .** This force acts perpendicular to the area. It is developed whenever the external loads tend to push or pull on the two segments of the body.

**Shear force,  $V$ .** The shear force lies in the plane of the area, and it is developed when the external loads tend to cause the two segments of the body to slide over one another.

**Torsional moment or torque,  $T$ .** This effect is developed when the external loads tend to twist one segment of the body with respect to the other about an axis perpendicular to the area.

**Bending moment,  $M$ .** The bending moment is caused by the external loads that tend to bend the body about an axis lying within the plane of the area.

In this text, note that graphical representation of a moment or torque is shown in three dimensions as a vector with an associated curl. By the *right-hand rule*, the thumb gives the arrowhead sense of this vector and the fingers or curl indicate the tendency for rotation (twisting or bending).

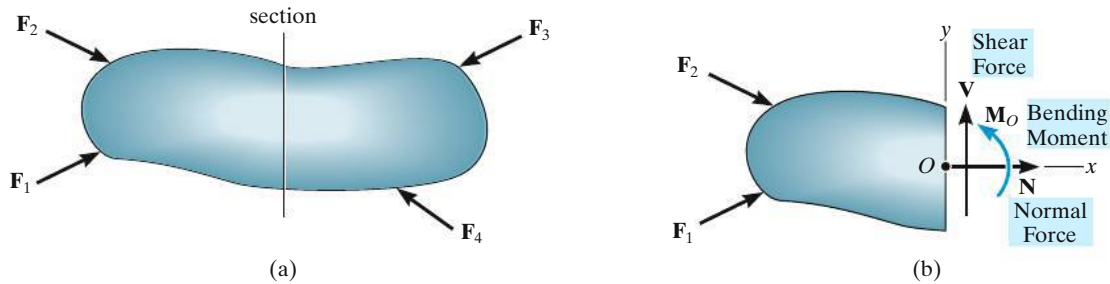


Fig. 1-3

**Coplanar Loadings.** If the body is subjected to a *coplanar system of forces*, Fig. 1-3a, then only normal-force, shear-force, and bending-moment components will exist at the section, Fig. 1-3b. If we use the  $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $z$  coordinate axes, as shown on the left segment, then  $\mathbf{N}$  can be obtained by applying  $\Sigma F_x = 0$ , and  $\mathbf{V}$  can be obtained from  $\Sigma F_y = 0$ . Finally, the bending moment  $\mathbf{M}_O$  can be determined by summing moments about point  $O$  (the  $z$  axis),  $\Sigma M_O = 0$ , in order to eliminate the moments caused by the unknowns  $\mathbf{N}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$ .

### Important Points

- *Mechanics of materials* is a study of the relationship between the external loads applied to a body and the stress and strain caused by the internal loads within the body.
- External forces can be applied to a body as *distributed* or *concentrated surface loadings*, or as *body forces* that act throughout the volume of the body.
- Linear distributed loadings produce a *resultant force* having a *magnitude* equal to the *area* under the load diagram, and having a *location* that passes through the *centroid* of this area.
- A support produces a *force* in a particular direction on its attached member if it *prevents translation* of the member in that direction, and it produces a *couple moment* on the member if it *prevents rotation*.
- The equations of equilibrium  $\Sigma \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{0}$  and  $\Sigma \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{0}$  must be satisfied in order to prevent a body from translating with accelerated motion and from rotating.
- When applying the equations of equilibrium, it is important to first draw the free-body diagram for the body in order to account for all the terms in the equations.
- The method of sections is used to determine the internal resultant loadings acting on the surface of the sectioned body. In general, these resultants consist of a normal force, shear force, torsional moment, and bending moment.