



Problem 5

A shaft supported at the ends in ball bearings carries a straight tooth spur gear at its mid span and is to transmit 7.5 kW at 300 r.p.m. The pitch circle diameter of the gear is 150 mm. The distances between the center line of bearings and gear are 100 mm each. If the shaft is made of steel and the allowable shear stress is 45 MPa, determine the diameter of the shaft. Show in a sketch how the gear will be mounted on the shaft; also indicate the ends where the bearings will be mounted? The pressure angle of the gear may be taken as 20° .

Solution

 $P = 7.5 \text{ kW} = 7500 \text{ W}; N = 300 \text{ r.p.m.}; D = 150 \text{ mm} = 0.15 \text{ m}; L = 200 \text{ mm} = 0.2 \text{ m}; \tau = 45 \text{ MPa} = 45 \text{ N/mm}^2; \alpha = 20^{\circ}$



We know that torque transmitted by the shaft,

$$T = \frac{P \times 60}{2\pi N} = \frac{7500 \times 60}{2\pi \times 300} = 238.7 \text{ N-m}$$

 \therefore Tangential force on the gear,







$$F_t = \frac{2T}{D} = \frac{2 \times 238.7}{0.15} = 3182.7 \text{ N}$$

and the normal load acting on the tooth of the gear,

$$W = \frac{F_t}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{3182.7}{\cos 20^\circ} = \frac{3182.7}{0.9397} = 3387 \text{ N}$$

Since the gear is mounted at the middle of the shaft, therefore maximum bending moment at the center of the gear,

$$M = \frac{W.L}{4} = \frac{3387 \times 0.2}{4} = 169.4 \text{ N-m}$$

Let

d = Diameter of the shaft.

We know that equivalent twisting moment,

$$T_e = \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = \sqrt{(169.4)^2 + (238.7)^2} = 292.7 \text{ N-m}$$

= 292.7 × 10³ N-mm

We also know that equivalent twisting moment (T_e) ,

$$292.7 \times 10^3 = \frac{\pi}{16} \times \tau \times d^3 = \frac{\pi}{16} \times 45 \times d^3 = 8.84 \ d^3$$
$$d^3 = 292.7 \times 10^3 / 8.84 = 33 \times 10^3 \text{ or } d = 32 \text{ say } 35 \text{ mm}$$





Problem 6

A shaft made of mild steel is required to transmit 100 kW at 300 r.p.m. The supported length of the shaft is 3 meters. It carries two pulleys each weighing 1500 N supported at a distance of 1 meter from the ends respectively. Assuming the safe value of stress, determine the diameter of the shaft.

Solution

 $P = 100 \text{ kW} = 100 \times 10^3 \text{ W}$; N = 300 r.p.m.; L = 3 m; W = 1500 N

We know that the torque transmitted by the shaft,



$$T = \frac{P \times 60}{2\pi N} = \frac{100 \times 10^3 \times 60}{2\pi \times 300} = 3183 \text{ N-m}$$

The shaft carrying the two pulleys is like a simply supported beam as shown in Figure. The reaction at each support will be 1500 N,

$$R_{\rm A} = R_{\rm B} = 1500 \text{ N}$$

A little consideration will show that the maximum bending moment lies at each pulley *i.e.* at *C* and *D*.

: Maximum bending moment,

$$M = 1500 \times 1 = 1500$$
 N-m

Let d =Diameter of the shaft in mm.

We know that equivalent twisting moment,





$$T_e = \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = \sqrt{(1500)^2 + (3183)^2} = 3519 \text{ N-m}$$

= 3519 × 10³ N-mm

We also know that equivalent twisting moment (T_e) ,

$$3519 \times 10^3 = \frac{\pi}{16} \times \tau \times d^3 = \frac{\pi}{16} \times 60 \times d^3 = 11.8 \ d^3 \quad \dots \text{(Assuming } \tau = 60 \text{ N/mm}^2\text{)}$$
$$d^3 = 3519 \times 10^3 / 11.8 = 298 \times 10^3 \text{ or } d = 66.8 \text{ say } 70 \text{ mm}$$





Problem 7

A line shaft is driven by means of a motor placed vertically below it. The pulley on the line shaft is 1.5 meter in diameter and has belt tensions 5.4 kN and 1.8 kN on the tight side and slack side of the belt respectively. Both these tensions may be assumed to be vertical. If the pulley be overhang from the shaft, the distance of the centre line of the pulley from the center line of the bearing being 400 mm, find the diameter of the shaft. Assuming maximum allowable shear stress of 42 MPa.

Solution

 $D = 1.5 \text{ m or } R = 0.75 \text{ m}; T1 = 5.4 \text{ kN} = 5400 \text{ N}; T2 = 1.8 \text{ kN} = 1800 \text{ N}; L = 400 \text{ mm}; \tau$ = 42 MPa = 42 N/mm²



A line shaft with a pulley is shown in Figure. We know that torque transmitted by the shaft,

$$T = (T1 - T2) R = (5400 - 1800) 0.75 = 2700$$
 N-m

$$= 2700 \times 10^3 \,\mathrm{N}\text{-mm}$$

Neglecting the weight of shaft, total vertical load acting on the pulley,

$$W = T_1 + T_2 = 5400 + 1800 = 7200 \text{ N}$$

: Bending moment, $M = W \times L = 7200 \times 400 = 2880 \times 10^3$ N-mm

Let d =Diameter of the shaft in mm.

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We know that the equivalent twisting moment,

$$T_e = \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = \sqrt{(2880 \times 10^3)^2 + (2700 \times 10^3)^2}$$

= 3950 × 10³ N-mm

We also know that equivalent twisting moment (*Te*),

$$3950 \times 10^3 = \frac{\pi}{16} \times \tau \times d^3 = \frac{\pi}{16} \times 42 \times d^3 = 8.25 \ d^3$$
$$d^3 = 3950 \times 10^3 / 8.25 = 479 \times 10^3 \text{ or } d = 78 \text{ say } 80 \text{ mm}.$$