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# Composite beams

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# Chapter 6 Stresses in Beam (Advanced Topics)

## 6.1 Introduction

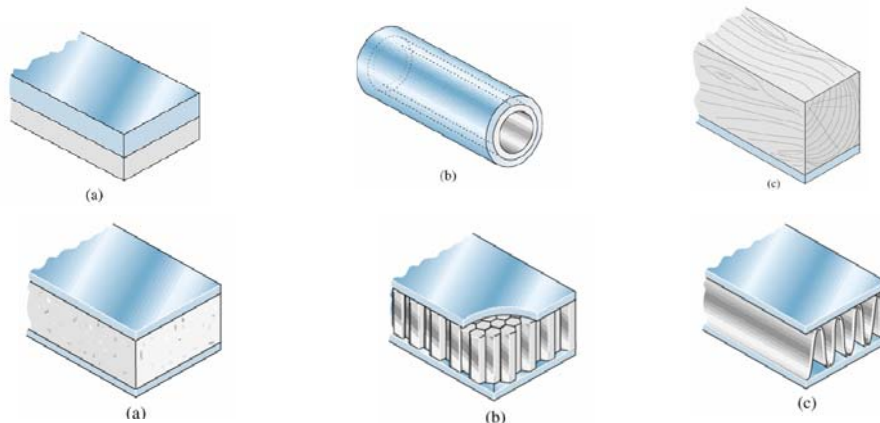
in this chapter we continue the study of the bending of beam for several specialized topics

composite beams, elastoplastic bending, nonlinear bending

beams with inclined loads, unsymmetric beams, shear stress in thin-walled beams, shear center (these topics will discuss in Machines of Materials II)

### 6-2 Composite Beams

beams are built of more than one material, e.g. bimetallic beam, plastic coated steel pipes, wood beam reinforced with a steel plate, sandwich beam, reinforced concrete beam etc.



composite beam can be analyzed by the same bending theory

$\epsilon_x$  vary linearly from top to bottom, but the position of the N. A. is not at the centroid of the cross sectional area

$$\epsilon_x = -\frac{y}{\rho} = -\kappa y$$

normal stress  $\sigma_x$  can be obtained from  $\epsilon_x$ , assume that the materials behave in a linear elastic manner

$$\sigma_x = E \epsilon_x$$

denoting  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are the moduli of elasticity for materials 1 and 2, and assume  $E_2 > E_1$ , then

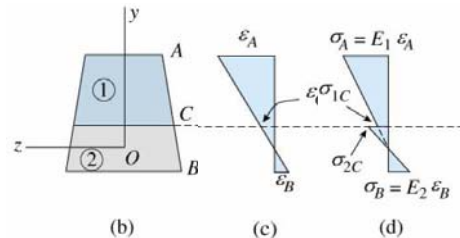
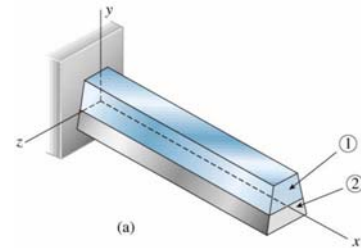
$$\sigma_{x1} = -E_1 \kappa y \quad \sigma_{x2} = -E_2 \kappa y$$

$$\Sigma F_x = 0 \text{ force equilibrium in x-axis}$$

$$\int_1 \sigma_{x1} dA + \int_2 \sigma_{x2} dA = 0$$

$$- \int_1 E_1 \kappa y dA + \int_2 E_2 \kappa y dA = 0$$

$$E_1 \int_1 y dA + E_2 \int_2 y dA = 0$$



this equation can be used to locate the N. A. of the cross section for beam of two materials, the integrals represent the 1<sup>st</sup> moment of two parts w. r. t. the N. A.

if the cross section of a beam is doubly symmetric, the N. A. is located at the midheight of the cross section

moment equilibrium

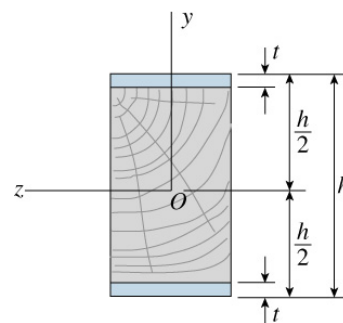
$$M = - \int_A \sigma_x y dA = - \int_1 \sigma_{x1} y dA + - \int_2 \sigma_{x2} y dA$$

$$= \kappa E_1 \int_1 y^2 dA + \kappa E_2 \int_2 y^2 dA$$

$$= \kappa (E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2)$$

then

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{M}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2}$$



where  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are moments of inertia about the N. A. of the area of materials 1 and 2, respectively (note that  $I = I_1 + I_2$ )

this equation is known as moment-curvature relationship

$E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2$  is the flexural rigidity of the composite beam

the normal stresses in the beam are obtained

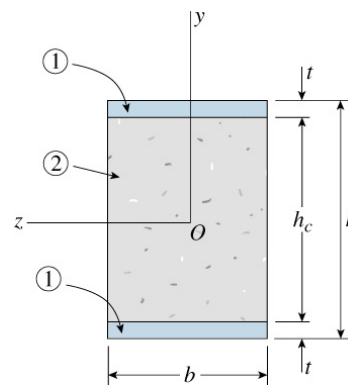
$$\sigma_{x1} = -\frac{M y E_1}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2} \quad \sigma_{x2} = -\frac{M y E_2}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2}$$

for  $E_1 = E_2$ , the above equation reduces to the flexural formula

### Approximate Theory for bending of Sandwich Beams

consider a doubly symmetric sandwich beam, if the material of the faces has a much larger modulus than the material of the core

assume the modulus of elasticity  $E_2$  of the core is zero, then



$$\sigma_{x1} = -\frac{M y}{I_1} \quad \sigma_{x2} = 0$$

Where

$$I_1 = \frac{b}{12} (h^3 - h_c^3) \quad h_c = h - 2t$$

the maximum normal stresses in the sandwich beam occur at the top and bottom

$$\sigma_{top} = -\frac{M h}{2 I_1} \quad \sigma_{bottom} = \frac{M h}{2 I_1}$$

if the faces are thin compared to the thickness of the core ( $t \ll h_c$ ), we assume that the core carries all of the shear stresses

$$\tau_{aver} = \frac{V}{b h_c} \quad \gamma_{aver} = \frac{V}{b h_c G_c}$$

### Limitations

both materials obey Hooke's law

materials are isotropic and homogeneous

for nonhomogeneous and nonlinear material, the above equation can not be applied, e.g. reinforced concrete beams are one of the most complex types of composite construction

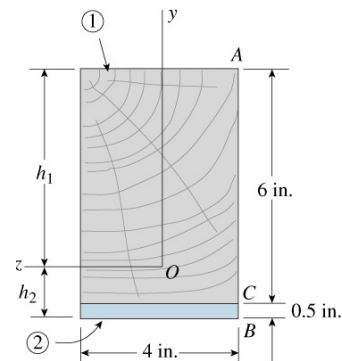
### Example 6-1

a composite beam is constructed from wood beam and steel plate

$$M = 6 \text{ kN-m} \quad E_1 = 10.5 \text{ GPa}$$

$$E_2 = 210 \text{ GPa}$$

calculate  $\sigma_{max}$  and  $\sigma_{min}$  in wood and steel



firstly, we want to determine the N. A.

$$\int_1 y dA = y_1 A_1 = (h_1 - 75) (100 \times 150) = (h_1 - 75) \times 15,000$$

$$\int_2 y dA = y_2 A_2 = - (156 - h_1) (100 \times 0.12) = - (h_1 - 156) \times 1,200$$

$$E_1 \int_1 y dA + E_2 \int_2 y dA = 0$$

$$10.5 (h_1 - 75) \times 15,000 + 210 (h_1 - 156) \times 1,200 = 0$$

$$h_1 = 124.8 \text{ mm}$$

$$h_2 = 162 - h_1 = 37.2 \text{ mm}$$

moment of inertia

$$I_1 = \frac{1}{12} 100 \times 150^3 + 100 \times 150 (h_1 - 75)^2 = 65.33 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4$$

$$I_2 = \frac{1}{12} 100 \times 12^3 + 100 \times 12 (h_2 - 6)^2 = 1.18 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4$$

$$I = I_1 + I_2 = 66.51 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4$$

maximum compressive stress in wood ( $y = h_1 = 124.8 \text{ mm}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{1A} &= - \frac{M h_1 E_1}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2} = - \frac{(6 \text{ kN-m}) (124.8 \text{ mm}) (10.5 \text{ GPa})}{(10.5 \text{ GPa}) (65.33 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4) + (210 \text{ GPa}) (1.18 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4)} \\ &= - 8.42 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

maximum tensile stress in wood [ $y = -(h_2 - 0.5) = - 25.2 \text{ mm}$ ]

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{1C} &= - \frac{M h_2 E_1}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2} = - \frac{(6 \text{ kN-m}) (-25.2 \text{ mm}) (10.5 \text{ GPa})}{(10.5 \text{ GPa}) (65.33 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4) + (210 \text{ GPa}) (1.18 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4)} \\ &= 1.7 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

minimum tensile stress in steel ( $y = - 25.2 \text{ mm}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{2C} &= - \frac{M y E_2}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2} = - \frac{(6 \text{ kN-m}) (-25.2 \text{ mm}) (210 \text{ GPa})}{(10.5 \text{ GPa}) (65.33 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4) + (210 \text{ GPa}) (1.18 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4)} \\ &= 34 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

maximum tensile stress in steel ( $y = - h_2 = - 37.2 \text{ mm}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{2B} &= - \frac{M y E}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2} = - \frac{(6 \text{ kN-m}) (-37.2 \text{ mm}) (10.5 \text{ GPa})}{(10.5 \text{ GPa}) (65.33 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4) + (210 \text{ GPa}) (1.18 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4)} \\ &= 50.2 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

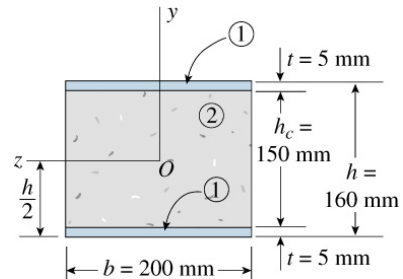
note that

$$\frac{\sigma_{2C}}{\sigma_{1C}} = \frac{E_2}{E_1} = \frac{34}{17} = 20$$

### Example 6-2

a sandwich beam having aluminum-alloy faces with plastic core,  $M = 3 \text{ kN-m}$

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= 72 \text{ GPa} & E_2 &= 800 \text{ GPa} \\ t &= 5 \text{ mm} & h_c &= 150 \text{ mm} \\ h &= 160 \text{ mm} & b &= 200 \text{ mm} \end{aligned}$$



determine  $\sigma_{max}$  and  $\sigma_{min}$  in the faces and core

(a) using general theory

(b) using approximate theory

$\therefore$  the section is double symmetric,  $\therefore$  N. A. is located at midheight

$$I_1 = \frac{b}{12} (h^3 - h_c^3) = \frac{200}{12} (160^3 - 150^3) = 12.017 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4$$

$$I_2 = \frac{b}{12} h_c^3 = \frac{200}{12} 150^3 = 56.25 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4$$

the flexural rigidity of the composite beam is

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2 &= 72 \times 10^3 \times 12.017 \times 10^6 + 800 \times 56.25 \times 10^6 \\ &= 910,224 \times 10^6 \text{ N-mm}^2 \\ &= 910,224 \text{ N-m}^2 \end{aligned}$$

the  $\sigma_{max}$  for tension and compression in aluminum faces are

$$\sigma_{max} = \pm \frac{M (h/2) E_1}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2} = \pm \frac{3 \times 10^6 \times 80 \times 72 \times 10^3}{910,224 \times 10^6} = \pm 19.0 \text{ MPa}$$

the  $\sigma_{max}$  for tension and compression in plastic core are

$$\sigma_{max} = \pm \frac{M (h_c/2) E_2}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2} = \pm \frac{3 \times 10^6 \times 75 \times 800}{910,224 \times 10^6} = \pm 0.198 \text{ MPa}$$

from the approximate theory for sandwich beam

$$\sigma_{max} = \pm \frac{M y}{I_1} = \pm \frac{M (h/2)}{I_1} = \pm \frac{3 \times 10^6 \times 80}{12.017 \times 10^6} = \pm 20.0 \text{ MPa}$$

this theory is conservative and gives slightly higher stresses

### 6.3 Transformed-Section Method

consider a composite beam, the N. A. of the cross section can be determined by the equation of equilibrium as state before

$$E_1 \int_1 y dA + E_2 \int_2 y dA = 0$$

denote  $n$  the modular ratio as

$$n = E_2 / E_1$$

then the equilibrium equation can be written

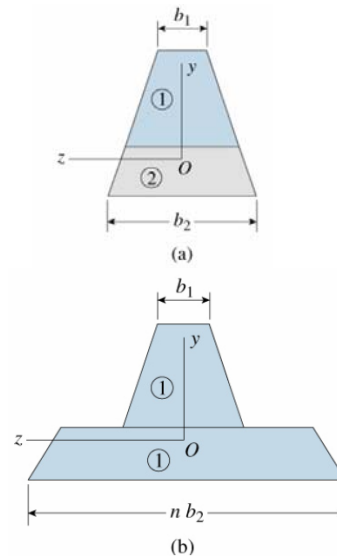
$$\int_1 y dA + \int_2 n y dA = 0$$

if each element of  $dA$  in material 2 is multiplied by  $n$ , a new cross section is shown, the N. A. of the new area is the same of the composite beam

i.e. the new cross section consisting only one material, material 1, this section is called the transformed section

$\therefore$  only one material is considered, the based equation can be used

$$\sigma_x = -E_1 \kappa y$$





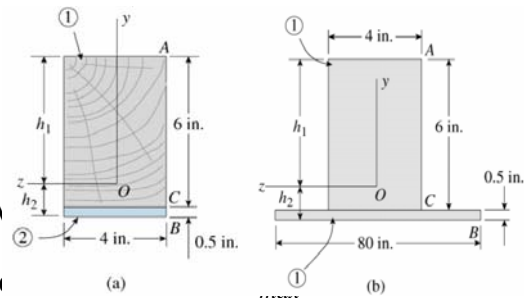


### Example 6-3

a composite beam is formed of wood and steel plate as shown

$$M = 6 \text{ kN-m} \quad E_1 = 10.5 \text{ M}$$

using the transformed-section method and compression in wood, and  $\sigma_{max}$  and  $\sigma_{min}$  for tension in steel  
[same problem as in example 6-1]



$$n = E_2 / E_1 = 30,000 / 1,500 = 20$$

the N. A. of the transformed section can be calculated

$$h_1 = \frac{\sum y_i A_i}{\sum A_i} = \frac{75 \times 100 \times 150 + 156 \times 2,000 \times 12}{100 \times 150 + 2,000 \times 12} = \frac{4,869 \times 10^3}{39 \times 10^3} = 124.8 \text{ mm}$$

$$h_2 = 162 - h_1 = 37.2 \text{ mm}$$

the moment of inertia of the transformed section is

$$I_T = \frac{1}{12} 100 \times 150^3 + 100 \times 150 \times (h_1 - 75)^2 + \frac{1}{12} 2,000 \times 12^3 + 2,000 \times 12 \times (h_2 - 6)^2 = 65.3 \times 10^6 + 23.7 \times 10^6 = 89.0 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4$$

bending stresses in the wood (material 1)

$$\sigma_{1A} = - \frac{M y}{I_T} = - \frac{(6 \times 10^6 \text{ N-mm})(124.8 \text{ mm})}{89.0 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4} = - 8.42 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_{1C} = - \frac{M y}{I_T} = - \frac{(6 \times 10^6 \text{ N-mm})(-25.2 \text{ mm})}{89.0 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4} = 1.7 \text{ MPa}$$

the bending stresses in steel (material 2)

$$\sigma_{2C} = -n \frac{M y}{I_T} = -20 \frac{6 \times 10^6 \times (-37.2)}{89.0 \times 10^6} = 50.2 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_{2B} = -n \frac{M y}{I_T} = -20 \frac{6 \times 10^6 \times (-25.2)}{89.0 \times 10^6} = 34 \text{ MPa}$$

the results are the same as in example 6-1

## **6-4 Doubly Symmetric Beams with Inclined Loads**

## **6-5 Bending of Unsymmetric Beams**

## **6-6 The Shear Center Concept**

## **6-7 Shear Stresses in Beams of Thin-Walled Open Cross Section**

## **6-8 Shear Centers of Thin-Walled Open Sections**

## **6-9 Elastoplastic Bending**

## **6.10 Nonlinear Bending**