# **BEAM THEORY – NORMAL STRESS**

STRUCTURAL MECHANICS

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Lecturer/students objectives

Introduction

Axial loading

Bending

Eccentric axial loading





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# **LECTURER/STUDENTS OBJECTIVES**





- 🞓 Present the normal stress calculation for beams.
- Understand the hypotheses, distinguish the different loading condition and apply the proper solutions.





# INTRODUCTION





## Throughout the slides..

...the principal centroidal axes, labeled as (x, y) instead of  $(\xi, \eta)$ , are used!









### **EQUIVALENCE BETWEEN STRESSES AND INTERNAL FORCES**

$$N_{z} = \int_{A} \sigma_{z} dA$$
$$T_{x} = \int_{A} \tau_{zx} dA$$
$$T_{y} = \int_{A} \tau_{zy} dA$$
$$M_{x} = \int_{A} \sigma_{z} y dA$$
$$M_{y} = -\int_{A} \sigma_{z} x dA$$
$$M_{z} = \int_{A} (\tau_{zy} x - \tau_{zx} y) dA$$





## **AXIAL LOADING**





#### **AXIAL LOADING – COMPRESSION**



#### Agrigento temple







### Axial loading – tension



#### Alamillo bridge







#### **AXIAL LOADING - MODEL FOR STRESSES**







#### **AXIAL LOADING – STRESS CALCULATION**

Every cross section remains plane and undistorted:  $\varepsilon_z$  uniform  $\implies \sigma_z$  uniform  $(\sigma_z = E\varepsilon_z)$ . It is:

$$\varepsilon_z = \varepsilon_0 = \frac{N_z}{EA}$$

so that:

$$\sigma_z = E\varepsilon_z = E\frac{N_z}{EA} = \frac{N_z}{A}$$

Axes are centroidal ( $S_x = S_y = 0$ ) and principal ( $I_{xy} = 0$ ):

$$M_{x} = \int_{A} \sigma_{z} y dA = \int_{A} \frac{N_{z}}{A} y dA = \frac{N_{z}}{A} \int_{A} y dA = cS_{x} = 0$$
  
$$-M_{y} = \int_{A} \sigma_{z} x dA = \int_{A} \frac{N_{z}}{A} x dA = \frac{N_{z}}{A} \int_{A} x dA = cS_{y} = 0$$





## BENDING





#### **Bending and shear**











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Rago bridge







#### Symmetric bending – model for stresses





### Cross sections remain plane and not distorted ( $\varepsilon_z$ linear):

$$\frac{\overline{JJ'}}{\overline{JK}} = \frac{\overline{HK}}{\overline{CH}} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \frac{\varepsilon_z \, \mathrm{d}z}{y} = \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{R_x} \quad \varepsilon_z = \frac{y}{R_x} = \chi_x y$$

The curvature is  $\chi_x = \frac{1}{R_x} = \frac{M_x}{El_x}$  so that:

$$\sigma_z = E\varepsilon_z = E\chi_x y = E\frac{M_x}{EI_x}y = \frac{M_x}{I_x}y$$
 (Navier's formula)

In addition...

$$N_{z} = \int_{A} \sigma_{z} dA = \int_{A} \frac{M_{x}}{I_{x}} y dA = \frac{M_{x}}{I_{x}} \int_{A} y dA = \frac{M_{x}}{I_{x}} S_{x} = 0$$
  
$$-M_{y} = \int_{A} \sigma_{z} x dA = \int_{A} \frac{M_{x}}{I_{x}} y x dA = \frac{M_{x}}{I_{x}} \int_{A} x y dA = \frac{M_{x}}{I_{x}} Ixy = 0$$







The stress is  $\sigma_z = \frac{M_x}{l_x}y$ . The neutral surface is the surface where stress  $\sigma_z$  is zero:

Neutral surface: 
$$\sigma_z = \frac{M_x}{I_x}y = 0 \implies y = 0$$

The line y = 0 represents the neutral axis for symmetric bending.



The maximum stress  $\sigma_z^{max}$  occurs at the top and the bottom:

$$\sigma_z^{max} = \frac{M_x}{I_x} y_{max} = \frac{M_x}{W_x}$$

where  $W_x = \frac{I_x}{y_{max}}$  represents the elastic section modulus with respect to x and  $y_{max}$  the distance between the neutral surface and the point farthest from it. It is a geometric property of the cross section, as area, centroid an moments of area.

For instance, for a rectangular cross section:

$$W_x = \frac{I_x}{y_{max}} = \frac{\frac{bh^3}{12}}{\frac{h}{2}} = \frac{bh^2}{6}, \quad W_y = \frac{I_y}{x_{max}} = \frac{\frac{hb^3}{12}}{\frac{b}{2}} = \frac{hb^2}{6}$$

while, for an I-shaped beam IPE 200 (depth  $h_{IPE}$ =200 mm, flange  $b_{IPE}$ =100 mm):

$$W_{x} = \frac{I_{x}}{\frac{h_{IPE}}{2}} = \frac{1943.0 \text{ cm}^{4}}{\frac{20.0 \text{ cm}}{2}} = 194.3 \text{ cm}^{3}, \quad W_{y} = \frac{I_{y}}{\frac{b_{IPE}}{2}} = \frac{142.0 \text{ cm}^{4}}{\frac{10.0 \text{ cm}}{2}} = 28.5 \text{ cm}^{3}.$$

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A 6 m-long, simply supported IPE 200 steel beam (I-shaped cross section), is to carry its own weight equal to  $q_0 = 220 \text{ N/m}$ . Determine the magnitude of the maximum normal stress due to bending.

Answer The maximum bending moment, in the middle of the beam, is:

$$M_{max} = \frac{1}{8}q_0 L^2 = \frac{1}{8} \times (0.22 \text{ N/mm}) \times (6000 \text{ mm})^2 = 9.9 \times 10^5 \text{ Nmm}$$

the maximum normal stress in the middle of the beam:

$$\sigma_z^{max} = \frac{M_x}{I_x} y_{max} = \frac{M_x}{W_x} = \frac{9.9 \times 10^5 \text{ Nmm}}{1.943 \times 10^5 \text{ mm}^3} = 5.1 \text{ MPa}$$

If the allowable stress is  $f_{yd}$  = 220 MPa, the design is acceptable. The self-weight gets about 2% of the allowable stress.

### **UNSYMMETRIC BENDING – MODEL**









#### **UNSYMMETRIC BENDING - SOME MORE DETAILS**



Rotated rectangular section; take care to the reference frame (see the L-shaped section)





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Unsymmetric bending: the moment **M** is not aligned with one of the principal centroidal axis. The stress  $\sigma_z$  is obtained by superposition, adding the stress due to  $M_x$  and  $M_y$  (**M** =  $M_x i + M_y j$ ).



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Superposition: 
$$\sigma_z = \sigma_z^{(M_x)} + \sigma_z^{(M_y)}$$

$$\sigma_z^{(M_x)} = \frac{M_x}{I_x} y, \quad \sigma_z^{(M_y)} = -\frac{M_y}{I_y} x$$

### The negative sign in the second equation..

... if due to the fact that  $M_y$  positive causes tension in the part of the cross section where x is negative

$$\sigma_z = \frac{M_x}{I_x} y - \frac{M_y}{I_y} x \quad (M_x = M \cos \delta, \quad M_y = M \sin \delta)$$

Neutral axis 
$$(\sigma_z = 0)$$
:  $\frac{M_x}{I_x}y - \frac{M_y}{I_y}x = 0$ 





#### **UNSYMMETRIC BENDING – STRESSES AND NEUTRAL SURFACE**

- The neutral axis is represented by a line passing through the centroid G, the equation is  $\frac{M_X}{L_X}y \frac{M_Y}{L_X}y = 0$
- The magnitude of stress is proportional to the distance from the neutral axis
- The most stressed points are those farthest from the neutral axis







An I-shaped beam IPE 200, whose flange forms an angle equal to 25° from the horizontal, is subjected to a couple of 10 kNm acting in a vertical plane. Find the stress inside the beam.  $\Delta^{\sigma_{x}(B)}$ 

**Answer** The bending moments  $M_x$  and  $M_y$  are:

$$M_x = +M \cos 25^\circ = +(10 \text{ kNm})(\cos 25^\circ) = +9.06 \text{ kNm}$$
  
$$M_y = -M \sin 25^\circ = -(10 \text{ kNm})(\sin 25^\circ) = -4.23 \text{ kNm}$$

Stress  $\sigma_z$  is given by:

$$\sigma_{z} = \frac{+9.06 \times 10^{6} \text{ Nmm}}{1.943 \times 10^{7} \text{ mm}^{4}} y - \frac{-4.23 \times 10^{6} \text{ Nmm}}{1.420 \times 10^{6} \text{ mm}^{4}} x = (0.466 \text{ N/mm}^{3}) y + (2.98 \text{ N/mm}^{3}) x$$

The neutral axis equation is:





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The stresses at points A and B (the farthest form neutral axis) are:

$$\sigma_{z}^{(A)} = (0.466 \text{ N/mm}^{3}) \left(\frac{+200 \text{ mm}}{2}\right) + (2.98 \text{ N/mm}^{3}) \left(\frac{+100 \text{ mm}}{2}\right) = +196 \text{ MPa}$$
  
$$\sigma_{z}^{(B)} = (0.466 \text{ N/mm}^{3}) \left(\frac{-200 \text{ mm}}{2}\right) + (2.98 \text{ N/mm}^{3}) \left(\frac{-100 \text{ mm}}{2}\right) = -196 \text{ MPa}$$

## With an angle equal to 0° (symmetric bending):

$$\sigma_{z}^{(A)} = \frac{+10 \times 10^{6} \text{ Nmm}}{1.943 \times 10^{7} \text{ mm}^{4}} \left(\frac{+200 \text{ mm}}{2}\right) = +52 \text{ MPa}$$
  
$$\sigma_{z}^{(B)} = \frac{+10 \times 10^{6} \text{ Nmm}}{1.943 \times 10^{7} \text{ mm}^{4}} \left(\frac{-200 \text{ mm}}{2}\right) = -52 \text{ MPa}$$

a stress  $\approx$  1/4 with respect to the value for unsymmetric bending is found!





# **ECCENTRIC AXIAL LOADING**





#### **ECCENTRIC AXIAL LOADING**



#### **Pisa tower**







### **ECCENTRIC AXIAL LOADING AND SHEAR**







#### **ECCENTRIC AXIAL LOADING - STRESS CALCULATION**











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The eccentric axial loading  $N_z$  applied in a point of coordinates  $(e_x, e_y)$  is equivalent to a system given by the eccentric axial loading applied in G and two moments  $M_x = N_z e_y$ ,  $M_y = -N_z e_x$ 

Superposition:  $\sigma_z = \sigma_z^{(N_z)} + \sigma_z^{(M_x)} + \sigma_z^{(M_y)}$ 

$$\sigma_z^{(N_z)} = \frac{N_z}{A}, \quad \sigma_z^{(M_x)} = \frac{M_x}{I_x}y, \quad \sigma_z^{(M_y)} = -\frac{M_y}{I_y}x$$
$$\sigma_z = \frac{N_z}{A} + \frac{M_x}{I_x}y - \frac{M_y}{I_y}x$$

The negative sign in the third equation...

... if due to the fact that  $M_y$  positive causes tension in the part of the cross section where x is negative



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By grouping  $N_z/A$  it is obtained:

$$\sigma_{z} = \frac{N_{z}}{A} \left( 1 + \frac{Ae_{y}}{I_{x}}y + \frac{Ae_{x}}{I_{y}}x \right) = \frac{N_{z}}{A} \left( 1 + \frac{e_{y}}{\varrho_{x}^{2}}y + \frac{e_{x}}{\varrho_{y}^{2}}x \right)$$

where  $\rho_x$  and  $\rho_y$  represent the radius of gyration:

$$\varrho_x^2 = \frac{I_x}{A}, \quad \varrho_y^2 = \frac{I_y}{A}$$

The neutral surface is obtained setting  $\sigma_z$  = 0:

$$1+\frac{e_y}{\varrho_x^2}y+\frac{e_x}{\varrho_y^2}x=0$$

The neutral axis (equation of straight line) is independent of the magnitude of  $N_z$  but it is dependent upon its position and upon the geometrical properties of the cross section



#### **ECCENTRIC AXIAL LOADING - NEUTRAL SURFACE**

- The neutral axis is represented by a straight line that does not coincide with the centroidal axis of the section; its equation is  $1 + \frac{e_y}{\rho_x^2} \mathbf{y} + \frac{e_x}{\rho_x^2} \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{O}$
- The magnitude of stress is proportional to the distance from the neutral axis, the value corresponding to the centroid equal to  $\frac{N_{a}z}{\Delta}$
- The most stressed points are those farthest from the neutral axis



#### **ECCENTRIC AXIAL LOADING - EXAMPLE**

A bar with circular cross section (radius R) is subjected to a compressive normal forces. Find the maximum and the minimum stress.

**Answer** The load produces  $M_x = N_z e_y = (-P)(+R) = -PR$  and  $M_y = -N_z e_x = -(-P)(0) = 0$  (*P* absolute value):

$$\sigma_z = \frac{N_z}{A} + \frac{M_x}{I_x}y - \frac{M_y}{I_y}x = \frac{-P}{\pi R^2} + \frac{-PR}{\frac{\pi R^4}{4}}y = -\frac{P}{\pi R^2}\left(1 + \frac{4}{R}y\right)$$

The neutral axis is  $y = -\frac{R}{4}$  while the stresses are:

$$\sigma_{z}(+R) = -\frac{P}{\pi R^{2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{4}{R} (+R) \right] = -5\frac{P}{\pi R^{2}} = -5\frac{P}{A}$$
$$\sigma_{z}(-R) = -\frac{P}{\pi R^{2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{4}{R} (-R) \right] = +3\frac{P}{\pi R^{2}} = +3\frac{P}{A}$$





- The normal force N<sub>z</sub> is positive if tension; the moments M<sub>j</sub> acting on a
  positive face (positive "face" is perpendicular to the positive axis direction)
  if along the corresponding axis (j means the axis x or y).
- The normal stress  $\sigma_z$  is positive if it produces tension.

