

# Advanced Topics on Beam Bending

ME 322: Mechanics of Solids II  
Lecture 8



## Topics for Today

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- ▶ Bending of Nonprismatic Beam
- ▶ Composite Beam Bending
- ▶ Bending under inclined loads
- ▶ Plastic Bending



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## Bending of Nonprismatic Beam

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- ▶ Normally, section modulus is constant

$$\sigma_1 = -\frac{Mc_1}{I} = -\frac{M}{S_1}; S_1 = \frac{I}{c_1}$$

$$\sigma_2 = -\frac{Mc_2}{I} = -\frac{M}{S_2}; S_2 = \frac{I}{c_2}$$

- ▶ However, in nonprismatic beam, section modulus varies with the beam geometry



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## Example (Timoshenko & Gere 5-10)

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## Strain in Composite Beam

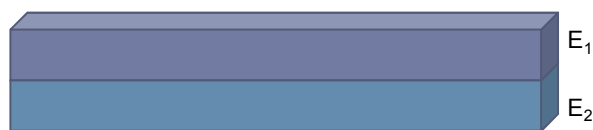
$$\varepsilon_x(y) = -\frac{y}{R} = -\kappa y$$

- ▶ Same representation still holds
- ▶ However, neutral axis is a little more complicated to find



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## Neutral axis for a composite beam



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

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

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



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## Moment Curvature Relationship

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$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= -\int_1 \sigma_{x1} y dA - \int_2 \sigma_{x2} y dA \\
 &= -\kappa E_1 \int_1 y^2 dA - \kappa E_2 \int_2 y^2 dA \\
 &= \kappa (E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2)
 \end{aligned}$$



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## Normal Stress in Composite Beam Bending

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_{x1} &= -\frac{MyE_1}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2} \\
 \sigma_{x2} &= -\frac{MyE_2}{E_1 I_1 + E_2 I_2}
 \end{aligned}$$



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## Example

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## Bending of Doubly Symmetric Beams with Inclined Loads

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- ▶ Using superposition:

$$\sigma_x = \frac{M_y z}{I_y} - \frac{M_z y}{I_z}$$

- ▶ Neutral axis

$$\tan \beta = \frac{y}{z} = \frac{M_y I_z}{M_z I_y}$$



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## Elastoplastic Bending

- ▶ Similar to deformation of other forms, bending can also lead to plastic deformation
- ▶ Bending moment just as the maximum stress reaches yield is

$$M_y = \frac{\sigma_y I}{c} = \sigma_y S$$

- ▶ As the bending continues, more of the cross section will yield
  - ▶ Maximum bending moment a beam can take is called the *plastic moment*



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## Plastic Moment

- ▶ To find it, we first need to find the neutral axis under fully plastic bending
- ▶ What is the neutral axis for fully plastic bending?
  - ▶ It may not be the same as that of a linearly elastic bending
- ▶ The plastic moment is

$$\begin{aligned} M_p &= -\int_A \sigma y dA = -\int_{A_1} (-\sigma_y) y dA - \int_{A_2} \sigma_y y dA \\ &= \sigma_y (\bar{y}_1 A_1) - \sigma_y (\bar{y}_2 A_2) = \frac{\sigma_y A (\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)}{2} \\ M_p &= \sigma_y Z \end{aligned}$$



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## Shape Factor ( $f$ )

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- ▶ Measures the reserve strength of the beam after yielding begins

$$f = \frac{M_p}{M_y} = \frac{Z}{S}$$



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## Example: Beam of rectangular cross section

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## Topic for Today

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- ▶ **Beam Deflection**
  - ▶ Direct Integration
  - ▶ Energy Method



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