

# Chapter 8 Applications of Plane Stress (Pressure vessels, Beams, and Combined Loadings)

## 8.1 Introduction

Plane stress conditions : buildings, machines, vehicles, and aircraft

In this chapter, the structures to be discussed are

pressure vessels

stress in beams : principle stresses, maximum shear stress

structures subjected to combined loadings

## 8.2 Spherical Pressure Vessels

pressure vessels are classified as shell structures, it is subjected to internal pressure  $p$

to determine the stresses in the wall, let us cut through the sphere on a vertical diametral plane, the resultant pressure force is

$$P = p (\pi r^2)$$

where  $r$  is the inner radius of the sphere

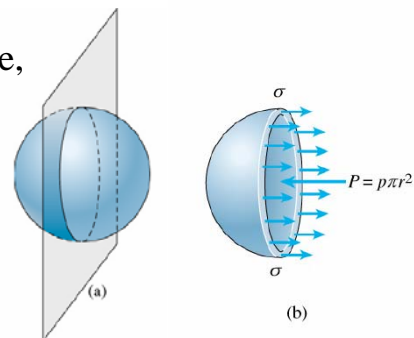
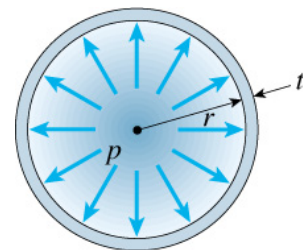
the resultant of the tensile stresses  $\sigma$  in the wall is

$$F = \sigma (2 \pi r_m t)$$

where  $t$  is the thickness of the wall and  $r_m$  is its mean radius

$$r_m = r + t / 2$$

equation of equilibrium in the horizontal direction



$$\Sigma F_{\text{horiz}} = 0$$

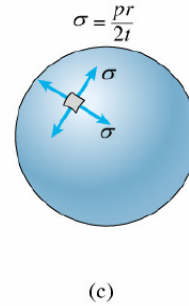
$$\sigma (2 \pi r_m t) - p (\pi r^2) = 0$$

the tensile stresses in the wall is

$$\sigma = \frac{p r^2}{2 r_m t}$$

for  $r \gg t$  ( $r > 10 t$ ),  $r_m \simeq r$  then

$$\sigma = \frac{p r}{2 t}$$

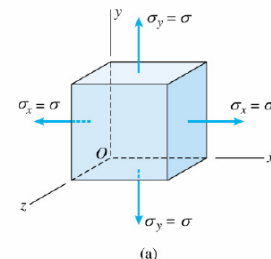


when we cut through the center of the sphere in any direction, we can conclude that the sphere is subjected to uniform tensile stress  $\sigma$  in all directions, they are known as membrane stresses

Stresses at the outer surface

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \frac{p r}{2 t} \quad \sigma_3 = 0$$

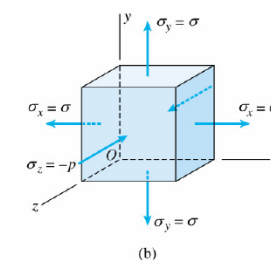
then 
$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma}{2} = \frac{p r}{4 t}$$



Stresses at the inner surface

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \frac{p r}{2 t} \quad \sigma_3 = -p$$

then 
$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma + p}{2} = \frac{p r}{4 t} + \frac{p}{2} = \frac{p}{2} \left( \frac{r}{2t} + 1 \right)$$



Limitations of thin-shell theory

1.  $r > 10 t$  or more
2. internal pressure must exceed external pressure

3. only pressure loading is considered for stress calculation
4. stress concentrations are not considered in the formula derived

Example 8-1

$$d = 450 \text{ mm} \quad t = 7 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{a. } \sigma_{\text{allow}} = 115 \text{ MPa}, \quad p_a = ?$$

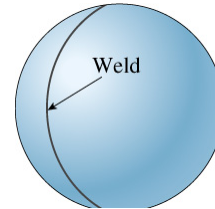
$$\text{b. } \tau_{\text{allow}} = 40 \text{ MPa} \quad p_b = ?$$

$$\text{c. } \varepsilon_{\text{allow}} = 0.0003 \quad E = 210 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu = 0.28 \quad p_c = ?$$

$$\text{d. } T_{\text{failure}} = 1.5 \text{ MN/m} \quad n = 2.5 \quad p_d = ?$$

$$\text{e. } p_{\text{allow}} = ?$$



$$\text{a. } \sigma = pr/2t$$

$$p_a = \frac{2t\sigma_{\text{allow}}}{r} = \frac{2 \times 7 \times 115}{225} = 7.16 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{b. } \tau = pr/4t$$

$$p_b = \frac{4t\tau_{\text{allow}}}{r} = \frac{4 \times 7 \times 40}{225} = 4.98 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{c. } \varepsilon_x = (\sigma_x - \nu\sigma_y) / E$$

$$\text{for } \sigma_x = \sigma_y = \sigma = pr/2t$$

$$\text{then } \varepsilon_x = \frac{\sigma}{E}(1 - \nu) = \frac{pr}{2tE}(1 - \nu)$$

$$\text{thus } p_c = \frac{2tE\varepsilon_{\text{allow}}}{r(1 - \nu)} = \frac{2 \times 7 \times 210 \times 10^3 \times 0.0003}{225(1 - 0.28)} = 5.44 \text{ MPa}$$

$$d. \quad T_{\text{allow}} = T_{\text{failure}} / n = 1.5 / 2.5 = 0.6 \text{ MN/m} = 600 \text{ N/m}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{allow}} = T_{\text{allow}} / t = 600 / 7 = 85.7 \text{ MPa}$$

$$p_d = \frac{2 t \sigma_{\text{allow}}}{r} = \frac{2 \times 7 \times 85.7}{225} = 5.3 \text{ MPa}$$

$$e. \quad p_{\text{allow}} = \min[p_a, p_b, p_c \text{ and } p_d] = 4.9 \text{ MPa}$$

for this  $p_{\text{allow}}$ , the tensile stresses in the shell are

$$\sigma = \frac{p r}{2 t} = \frac{4.9 \times 225}{2 \times 7} = 78.8 \text{ MPa}$$

### 8.3 Cylindrical Pressure Vessels

consider a thin-walled circular tank

$AB$  subjected to internal pressure

$\sigma_1$  : circumferential stress or hoop stress

$\sigma_2$  : longitudinal stress or axial stress

from the free body  $mpqn$ , we have

the equation of equilibrium as

$$\sigma_1 (2 b t) - 2 p b r = 0$$

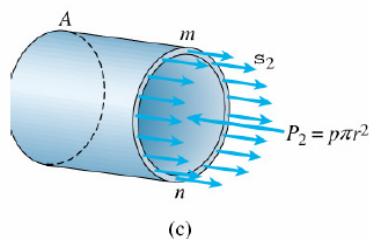
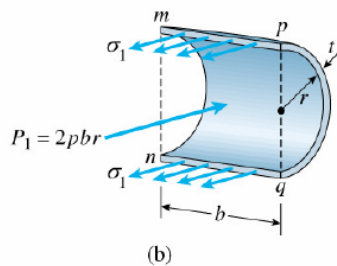
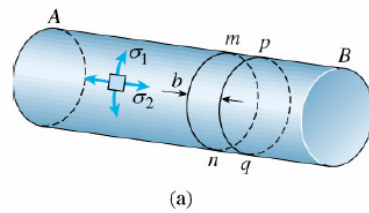
$$\text{then } \sigma_1 = \frac{p r}{t}$$

and the equation of equilibrium in longitudinal direction

$$\sigma_2 (2 \pi r t) - p \pi r^2 = 0$$

$$\text{then } \sigma_2 = \frac{p r}{2 t}$$

$$\text{now, we have } \sigma_1 = 2 \sigma_2$$



### Stress at the outer surface

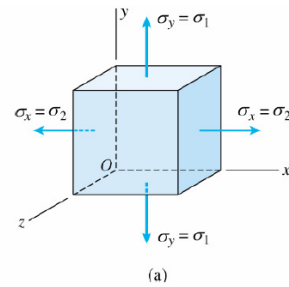
$$\sigma_1 = pr / t \quad \sigma_2 = pr / 2t \quad \sigma_3 = 0$$

$$(\tau_{\max})_z = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{pr}{4t}$$

$$(\tau_{\max})_x = \frac{\sigma_1}{2} = \frac{pr}{2t}$$

$$(\tau_{\max})_y = \frac{\sigma_2}{2} = \frac{pr}{4t}$$

thus  $\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1}{2} = \frac{pr}{2t}$



this stress occurs on a plane that has been rotated  $45^\circ$  about the  $x$  axis

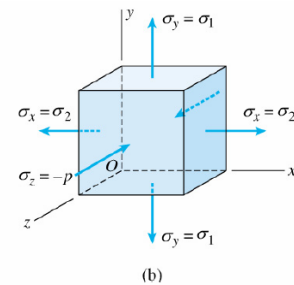
### Stress at the inner surface

$$\sigma_1 = pr / t \quad \sigma_2 = pr / 2t \quad \sigma_3 = -p$$

$$(\tau_{\max})_x = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2} = \frac{pr}{2t} + \frac{p}{2}$$

$$(\tau_{\max})_y = \frac{\sigma_2 - \sigma_3}{2} = \frac{pr}{4t} + \frac{p}{2}$$

$$(\tau_{\max})_z = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{pr}{4t}$$

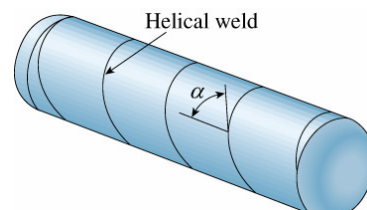


### Example 8-2

consider a cylindrical pressure vessel

$$r = 1.8 \text{ m} \quad t = 20 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{weld angle } a = 55^\circ$$



$$E = 200 \text{ GPa} \quad \nu = 0.30 \quad p = 800 \text{ kPa}$$

determine :

- $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$
- the maximum in-plane and out-of-plane shear stress
- $\varepsilon_1$  and  $\varepsilon_2$
- $\sigma_w$  and  $\tau_w$  in the welded seam

$$\text{a. } \sigma_1 = p r / t = 800 \times 1800 / 20 = 72 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_2 = p r / 2 t = 800 \times 1800 / 2 \times 20 = 36 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{b. } (\tau_{\max})_z = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{p r}{4 t} = 18 \text{ MPa} \quad (\text{in-plane shear})$$

$$(\tau_{\max})_x = \frac{\sigma_1}{2} = \frac{p r}{2 t} = 36 \text{ MPa} \quad (\text{out-of-plane shear})$$

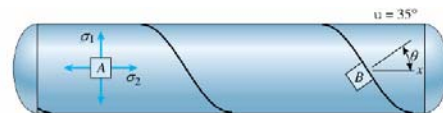
$$\text{c. } \varepsilon_1 = \frac{1}{E} (\sigma_1 - \nu \sigma_2) \quad \varepsilon_2 = \frac{1}{E} (\sigma_2 - \nu \sigma_1)$$

$$\sigma_1 = p r / t \quad \sigma_2 = p r / 2 t$$

$$\text{then } \varepsilon_1 = \frac{\sigma_1}{2 E} (2 - \nu) = \frac{72 (2 - 0.3)}{2 \times 200 \times 10^3} = 306 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\varepsilon_2 = \frac{\sigma_2}{E} (1 - 2 \nu) = \frac{36 (1 - 2 \times 0.3)}{200 \times 10^3} = 72 \times 10^{-6}$$

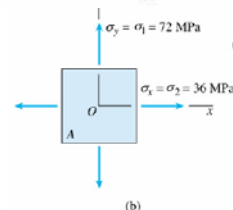
$$\text{d. } \theta = 90 - \alpha = 35^\circ$$



$$\sigma_x = \sigma_2 = p r / 2 t = 36 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_y = \sigma_1 = p r / t = 72 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\tau_{xy} = 0$$



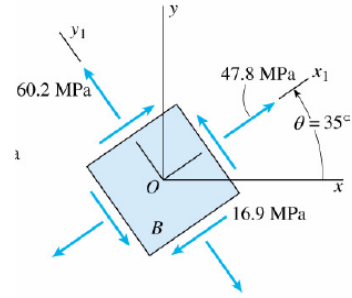
$$\sigma_{x_1} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

$$\tau_{x_1y_1} = -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$$

then

$$\sigma_{x_1} = \frac{p r}{4 t} (3 - \cos 2\theta) = 47.8 \text{ MPa} = \sigma_w$$

$$\tau_{x_1y_1} = \frac{p r}{4 t} \sin 2\theta = 16.9 \text{ MPa} = \tau_w$$



$$\sigma_{y_1} = \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 - \sigma_{x_1} = 60$$

Mohr's circle

$$R = \frac{72 - 36}{2} = 18 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{27 + 36}{2} = 54 \text{ MPa}$$

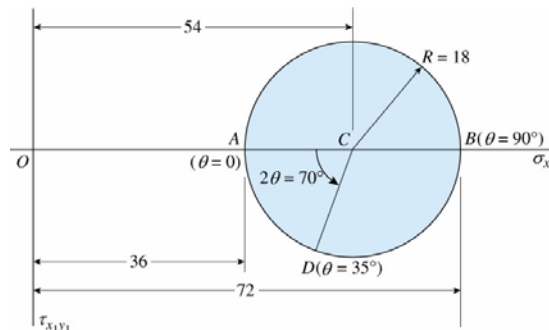
$$\theta = 35^\circ \quad 2\theta = 70^\circ$$

$$\sigma_{x_1} = 54 - R \cos 70^\circ = 47.8 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\tau_{x_1y_1} = R \sin 70^\circ = 16.9 \text{ MPa}$$

same results as earlier

Mohr's Circle :



## 8.4 Maximum Stresses in Beams

## 8.5 Combined Loadings