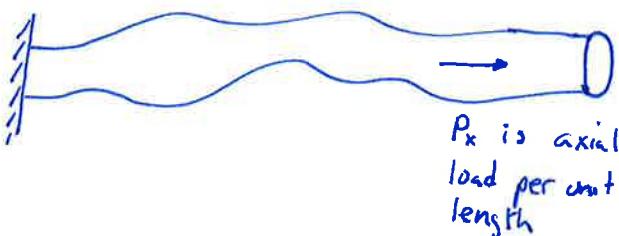


# Advanced Beam Theory

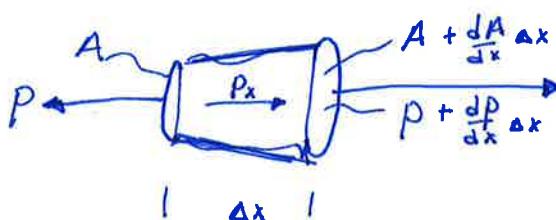
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## Allen and Haesler Chap 4

Uniaxial bar



Alternative derivation.



$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad \sum F_x = 0 &= \underbrace{-P}_{\text{left}} + \underbrace{p + \frac{dp}{dx} \Delta x}_{\text{right}} + \underbrace{P_x \Delta x}_{\text{applied load}} \\ &= \frac{dp}{dx} \Delta x + P_x \Delta x = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad P_x = -\frac{dp}{dx} \end{aligned}$$

\textcircled{2} Isotropic material (1D)

$$\sigma = E \epsilon$$

\textcircled{3} Stress and strain

$$\sigma = \frac{P}{A} = \uparrow = E \epsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon = \frac{du}{dx}$$

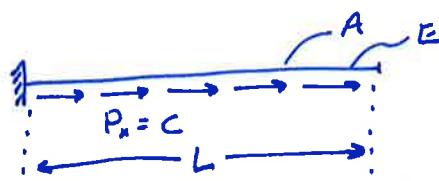
$$\text{Thus } P = AE \frac{du}{dx}$$

\textcircled{4} Substitute into  $\frac{dp}{dx} = -P_x$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( AE \frac{du}{dx} \right) = -P_x$$

Easier derivation than in the book.  
No traction vectors involved  
No surface integrals or Green's theorem

Ex: Constant Axial load per unit length



① P diagram

$$\frac{dP}{dx} = -P_x = -C \quad \text{integrate } \int_C^P dx \quad P = -Cx + K_1 \quad \text{and apply BC } P(0) = 0 \Rightarrow K_1 = CL$$

$P = -Cx + CL$

② Gov Eqs.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( AE \frac{du}{dx} \right) = -P_x \quad \text{since } AE \text{ is constant} \quad \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} = -\frac{P_x}{AE}$$

③ Integrate

$$\cdot d\left(\frac{du}{dx}\right) = -\frac{P_x}{AE} dx \quad \text{integrate (definite)} \quad \int_d u \frac{du}{dx} = \int_{\varepsilon_0}^{\varepsilon(x)} d\varepsilon = \int_0^x -\frac{P_x}{AE} dx$$

$$\varepsilon(x) - \varepsilon_0 = -\frac{P_x}{AE} x \Rightarrow \varepsilon(x) = \varepsilon_0 - \frac{P_x}{AE} x$$

$$\cdot dE = \frac{du}{dx} = \varepsilon_0 - \frac{P_x}{AE} \quad \text{integrate (definite)}$$

$$\int_{U_0}^U du = \int_0^x \left( \varepsilon_0 - \frac{P_x}{AE} x \right) dx$$

$$U(x) = U_0 + \varepsilon_0 x - \frac{P_x x^2}{AE^2}$$

④ Boundary Conditions



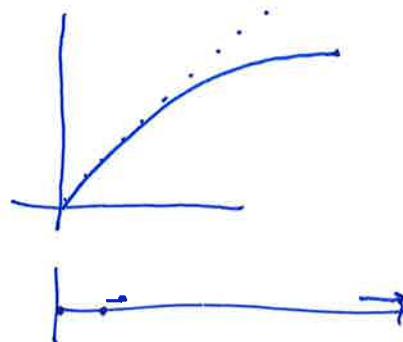
$$U_0 = 0 \quad \text{fixed into the wall}$$

$\varepsilon_0$  is the strain at the wall.

$$P(x=0) = CL \quad \varepsilon_0 = \frac{\sigma}{E} = \frac{P}{AE} = \frac{CL}{AE}$$

$$\boxed{U(x) = \frac{CL}{AE} x - \frac{Cx^2}{2AE}} = \frac{P_x L}{AE} x - \frac{P_x x^2}{2AE} = \frac{P_x}{AE} (Lx - x^2)$$

$$E = \frac{du}{dx} \quad \text{or} \quad \varepsilon(x) = \varepsilon_0 - \frac{P_x x}{AE} = \frac{P_x L}{AE} - \frac{P_x x}{AE}$$



Ex: End Load

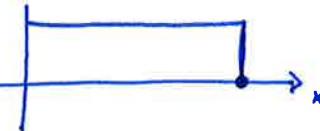


① P diagram

$$\frac{dP}{dx} = -P_x = -P \delta(x-L) \quad \text{integrate} \quad \int_{P_0}^{P(x)} dP = - \int_0^x P \delta(x-L) dx$$

$$P(x) - P_0 = -P H(x-L)$$

$$P(x) = P_0 - P H(x-L) = P(1 - H(x-L))$$



Some Math  
δ = delta function

$\int \delta = H$   
H = Heaviside function

$$\delta = \frac{1}{H}$$

② Gov Eqn

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( AE \frac{du}{dx} \right) = -P_x \Rightarrow \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = \frac{-P_x}{AE} = \frac{-P \delta(x-L)}{AE}$$

③ Integrate  $\epsilon = \frac{du}{dx}$

$$\int \frac{d}{dx} (\epsilon) dx = \int \frac{-P}{AE} \delta(x-L) dx \Rightarrow \epsilon(x) - \epsilon_0 = -\frac{P}{AE} [H(x-L) - H(0-L)]$$

$$\epsilon(x) = \epsilon_0 + \frac{-P}{AE} H(x-L) \quad \text{within the domain } 0 \leq x \leq L$$

$$\epsilon(x) = \epsilon_0$$

④ Integrate

$$\epsilon(x) = \frac{du}{dx} \Rightarrow \int_{U_0}^{U(x)} du = \int_0^x \epsilon_0 - \frac{P}{AE} H(x-L) dx$$

$$U(x) - U_0 = \epsilon_0 x - \frac{P}{AE} H(x-L)(x-L) = \epsilon_0 x \quad \text{in } 0 \leq x < L$$

⑤ BC.

$$U(x) = U_0 + \epsilon_0 x$$

$$U_0 = 0$$

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{P_0}{AE} = \frac{P}{AE}$$

$$\boxed{U(x) = \frac{P}{AE} x}$$
$$\boxed{\epsilon(x) = \frac{P}{AE}}$$

As expected

Ex: How tall can you build a tower?

- Gravity



- Material

Operate just at the yield stress.

- Geometry

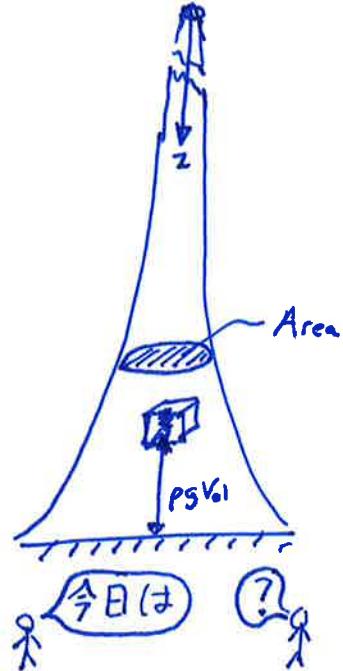
Does round or square matter?

① Stress

$$\sigma_z = \epsilon_z E = E \frac{du}{dz}$$

② Gravity,

$$P_x = pgA$$



② Gov Eqn

$$\frac{d}{dz} \left( AE \frac{du}{dz} \right) = -P_x = -pgA \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dA}{dz} E \frac{\sigma_z}{E} = -pgA$$

non constant material  $\frac{\sigma_z}{E}$

$$\frac{dA}{dz} = -\frac{pgA}{\sigma_z}$$

Differential equation

③ Solve ODE

$$\frac{dA}{A} = \left( -\frac{pg}{\sigma_z} \right) dz \Rightarrow \underbrace{\ln A - \ln A_0}_{\ln \frac{A}{A_0}} = \left( -\frac{pg}{\sigma_z} \right) z^{\text{start} \rightarrow \text{top}}$$

$$\ln \frac{A}{A_0} = -\frac{pg}{\sigma_z} z$$

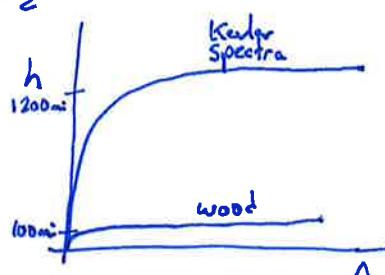
④ Solve for area

$$\frac{A}{A_0} = e^{-\frac{pg}{\sigma_z} z}$$

$$A = A_0 e^{-\frac{pg}{\sigma_z} z}$$

exponential shape

$$A = \cancel{A_0} C^{1.2 \times 10^{-6} z}$$



Notice that we need to refine the problem statement since  $\ln 0 \rightarrow -\infty$ . Make the tower useful  $\sim 1 \text{ ft}^2$  at top.

From the given materials, Kevlar and HDPE were about  $\frac{10000 \text{ ksi}}{16 \text{ lb/in}^2} \approx \frac{320000 \text{ ksi}}{51 \text{ slug/in}^3}$

$$\frac{pg}{\sigma_z} = \frac{51 \text{ lbs}}{320000 \text{ ksi in}^2} \cdot \frac{32.174 \text{ ft}}{51 \text{ slug ft}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ ft}^2}{1000 \text{ lb}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ ksi in}^2}{12 \text{ in}}$$

$$= \frac{100000}{10000} \cdot 12 = 1200 \text{ in L } 2 \text{ [ft]} \\ = 1.2 \times 10^{-6}$$