

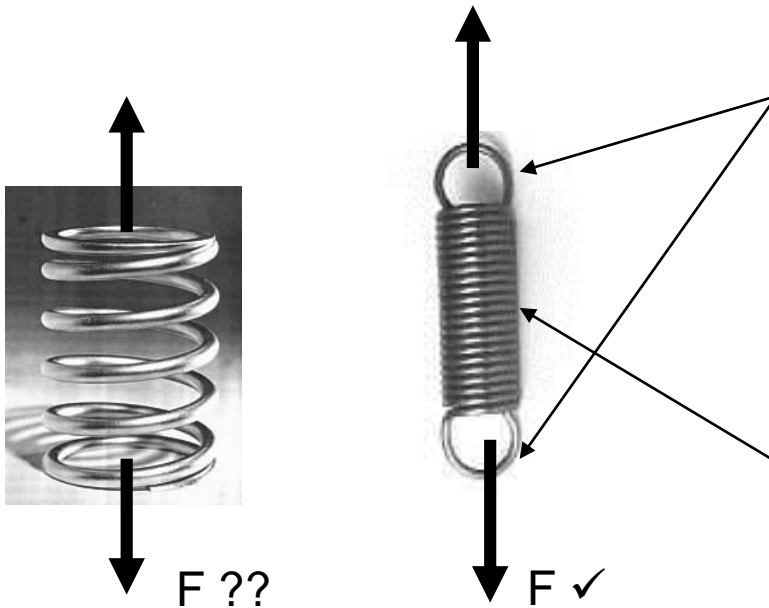
***ME 308***  
***MACHINE ELEMENTS II***

**CHAPTER 2**

**SPRING DESIGN**  
**PART\_2**

## 2.8 EXTENSION SPRINGS

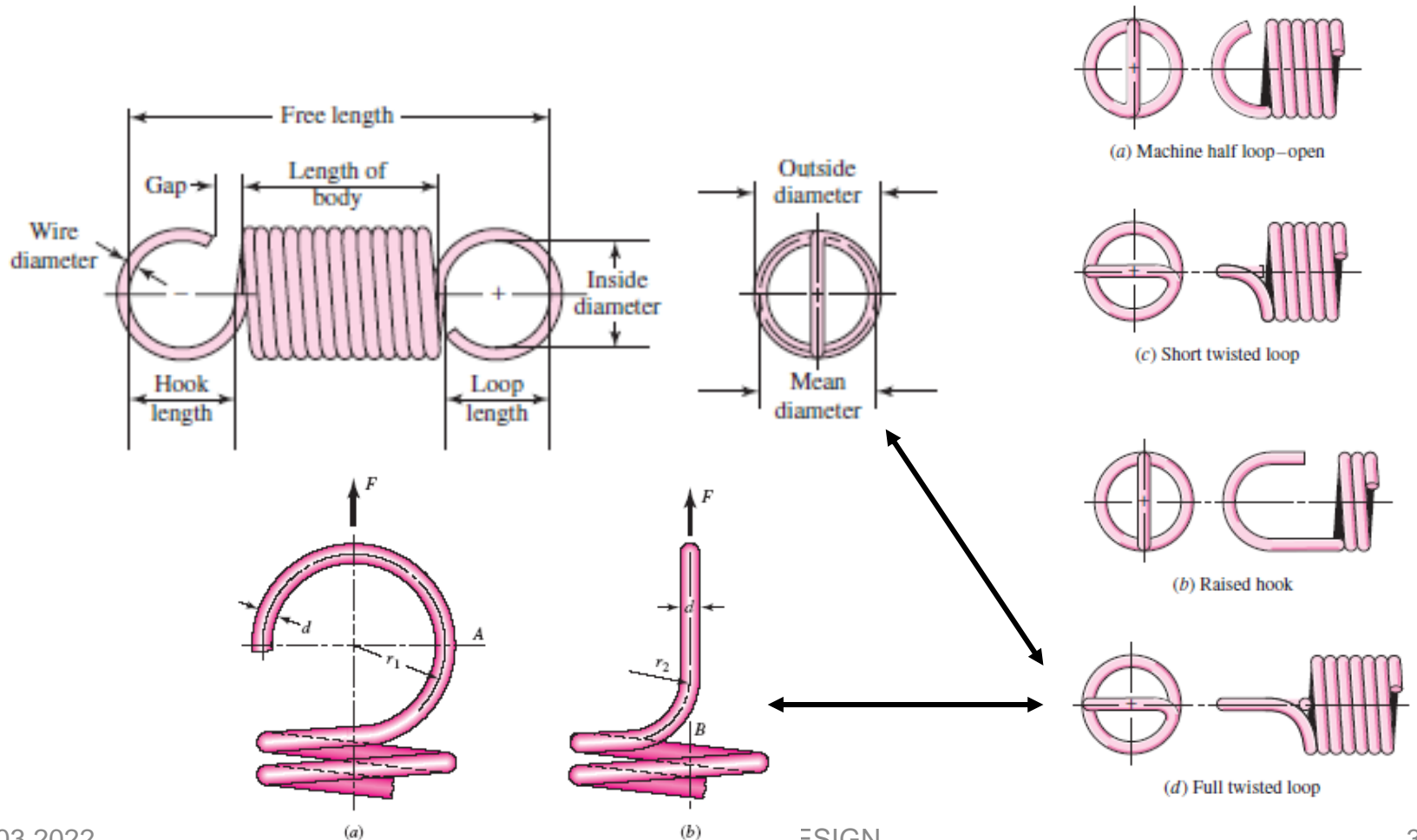
- Extension springs are designed to carry tensile loads since compression springs are not suitable to carry tensile loads.



Hooks are used at two ends of the extension spring for the loads to be applied.

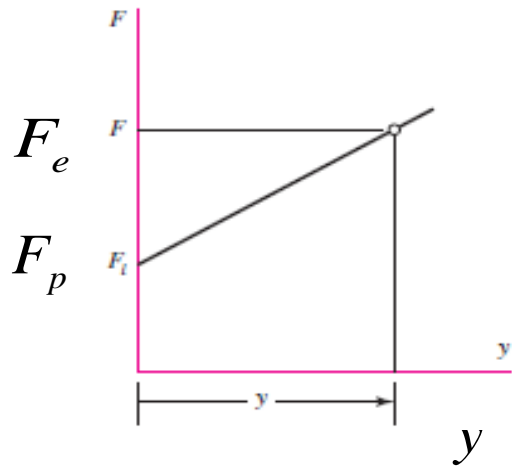
In addition, coils are no more separated from each other, on the contrary coils are made to be in close contact with each other to resist tensile loads.

- There are different hook configurations of extension springs.
- However the most widely used one is the circular shape hook with hook diameter equal to coil diameter.
- ‘Hooks’ at two ends of the spring are made by forming the ends of the wire

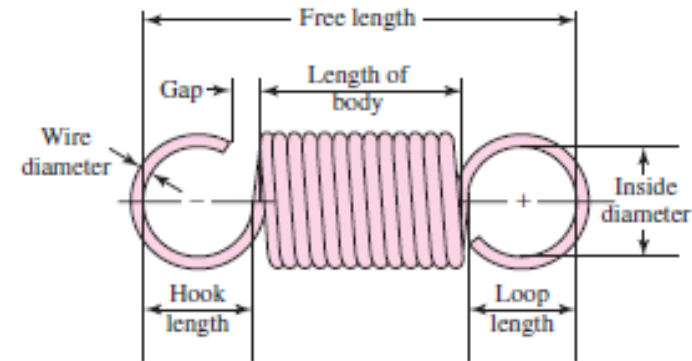


Since extension springs are produced as close-wound (shut coils) there is always a preload ( $F_p$ ) on the spring.

This pre-load has to be overcome by the applied external load ( $F_e$ ) to create an elongation on the spring.



$$k = \frac{F_e - F_p}{\Delta y} = \frac{d^4 G}{8D^3 N_a}$$



$$L_b = \text{body length} = d(N_a + 1)$$

Due to preload ( $F_p$ ) the coils are always under a pre-stress even if there is no external load on the spring

$$\tau_p = K_s \frac{8F_p D}{\pi d^3} \quad \text{if } (F_e \leq F_p)$$

$$\tau = K \frac{8F_e D}{\pi d^3} \quad \text{if } (F_e > F_p)$$

The deflection  $\delta_y$  in an extension spring under an external load of ( $F_e$ ) is calculated as:

$$k_s = \frac{F_e - F_p}{\delta_y} = \frac{d^4 G}{8D^3 N_a} \longrightarrow \delta_y = \frac{8D^3 N_a (F_e - F_p)}{d^4 G}$$

where  $N_a = N_{body} + \frac{G}{E}$  and used in the deflection formula to include effect of hook end deformations

The critical natural frequency of extension springs is again

$$f_n = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{kg}{W_a}} \quad \text{Hz (cycle / sec)} \qquad W_a = \frac{\pi^2 d^2 D N_t \rho}{4}$$

$\rho$  is the material weight density ( $N/m^3$ )

and  $f_n \geq 15 f_{force}$  is still suggested for a reliable functioning.

# 2.8.1 Extension Springs Under Load

Extension spring coil body is similar to compression spring coil body (except close wound condition).

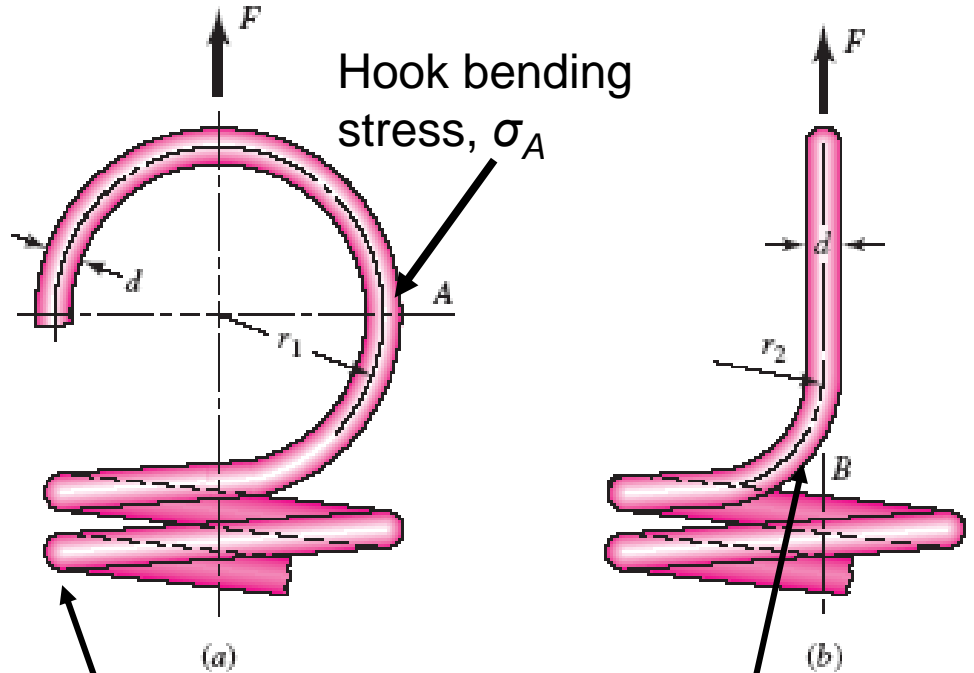
Therefore similar shear stress (as in the case of comp. springs) occurs in the coil body of the extension spring under tensile load.

In addition to this, two more stresses occur in extension springs:

One; torsional shear stress in the hook

Two : bending stress in the hook.

Hence, extension springs should be designed (or checked) against three different failures of the spring material (body shear, hook shear and hook bending)



Body coil shear stress  $\tau$  (same as in compression springs)

hook shear stress,  $\tau_B$

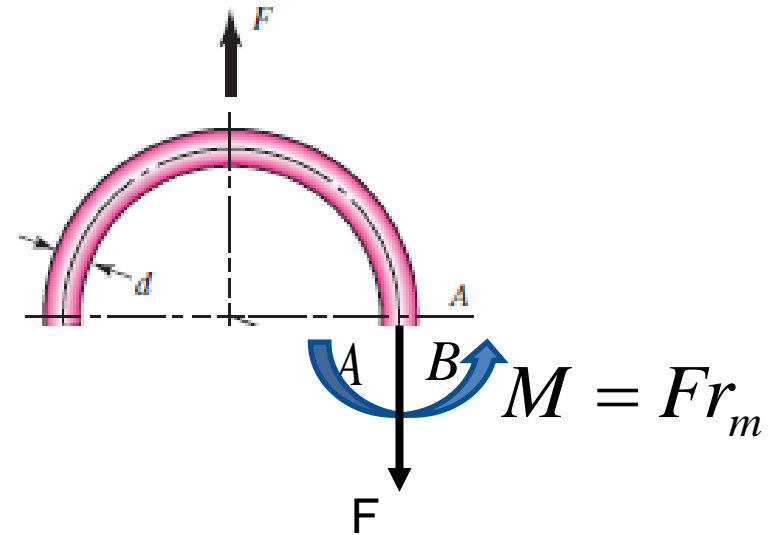
At point A

$$\sigma = \frac{F}{A} + \frac{Mc}{I}$$

but due to curvature effect

$$\sigma = \frac{F}{A} + K \frac{Mc}{I}$$

normal stress in the hook



$$\sigma_A = F \left[ (K)_A \frac{16D}{\pi d^3} + \frac{4}{\pi d^2} \right]$$

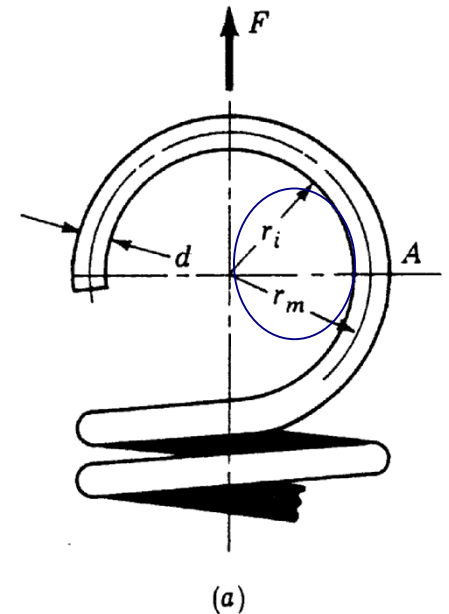
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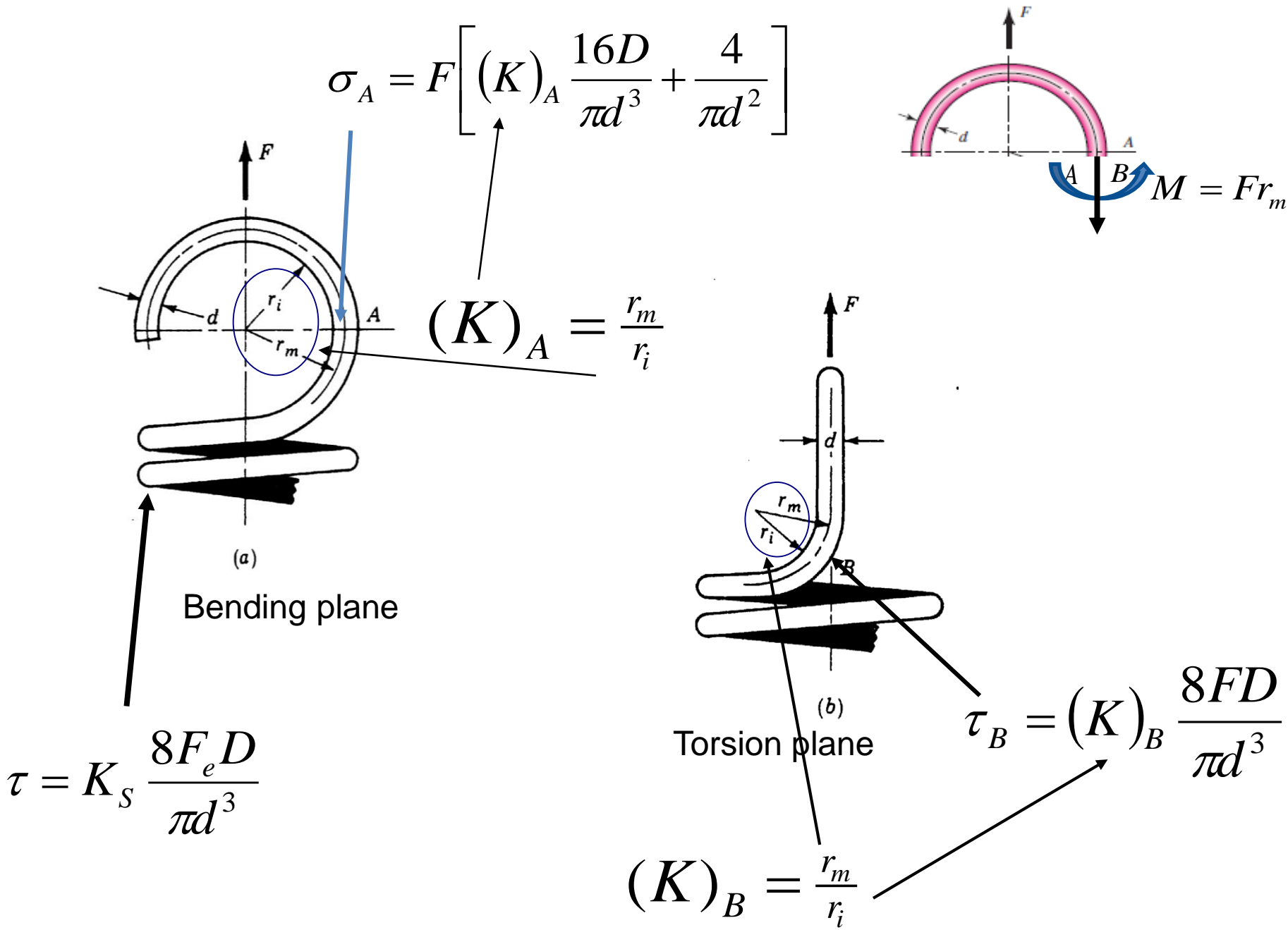
$$(K)_A = \frac{r_m}{r_i}$$

$$A = \pi \frac{d^2}{4}$$

$$I = \pi \frac{d^4}{64}$$

$$c = \frac{d}{2}$$







# Example 4: Extension Springs

A helical tension spring is made of 1.2 *mm* wire having yield strengths of 1280 *MPa* and 740 *MPa* in tension and torsion, respectively.

The springs has an OD of 12 *mm*, 36 active coils, and hook ends with mean radii at the ends 5.4 *mm* for bending and 3.0 *mm* for torsion.

The spring is pre-stressed to 75 *MPa* during winding which keeps it closed solid until an external load of sufficient magnitude is applied when wound, the distance between the hook ends is 70 *mm*.

- a) What is the spring preload?
- b) What load would cause yielding?
- c) What is the spring rate?
- d) What is the distance between the hook ends if the spring is extended until the stress just reach the yield strength.

# SOLUTION:

$$d = 1.2 \text{ mm}$$

$$OD = 12 \text{ mm}; D = OD - d = 10.8 \text{ mm}$$

$$C = D/d = 9$$

$$(4 < C < 12)$$

$$(4 < 9 < 12) \text{ OK}$$

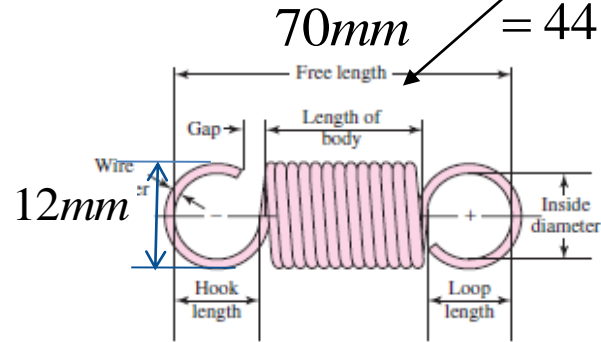
$$S_y = 1280 \text{ MPa} \quad S_{sy} = 740 \text{ MPa} \quad N_a = 36$$

$$K_s = 1 + \frac{0.5}{C} = 1.055$$

$$r_{m_b} = 5.4 \text{ mm} \rightarrow K_b = \frac{r_m}{r_i} = \frac{5.4}{5.4 - \frac{d}{2}} = 1.125$$

$$L_b = d(N_a + 1) = 44.4 \text{ mm}$$

$$r_{m_t} = 3.0 \text{ mm} \rightarrow K_t = \frac{r_m}{r_i} = \frac{3}{3 - \frac{1.2}{2}} = 1.25$$



$$\tau_p = 75 \text{ MPa}, \& L_f = 70 \text{ mm}$$

a) since

$$\tau_p = 75 \text{ MPa} = K_s \frac{8FD}{\pi d^3} \rightarrow F_p = \frac{\tau_p \pi d^3}{K_s 8D}$$

$$F_p = \frac{75 \times 10^6 \pi (1.2 \times 10^{-3})^3}{1.055 \times 8 \times 10.8 \times 10^{-3}} = 4.467 \text{ N}$$

$$\cong 0.45 \text{ kg} = 450 \text{ gr}$$



$$d_w = 1.2 \text{ mm}$$

$$F_p = 450 \text{ gr}$$

b) There are three types of yielding:

1) Yielding in hook due to bending effect

$$\rightarrow \sigma_h = K_b \frac{Mc}{I} + \frac{F}{A} = S_y$$

2) Yielding in hook due to torsional shear

$$\rightarrow \tau_h = K_t \frac{8FD}{\pi d^3} = S_{sy}$$

3) Yielding in coils due to torsional shear

$$\rightarrow \tau_{coil} = K_s \frac{8FD}{\pi d^3} = S_{sy}$$

$$\text{For 1} \rightarrow \sigma_h = 1.125 \frac{(Fr_{mb}) \frac{d}{2}}{\frac{\pi d^4}{64}} + \frac{F}{\frac{\pi d^2}{4}} = 1280 \times 10^6 \text{ Pa} \rightarrow F_1 = 34.88 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{For 2} \rightarrow \tau_h = 1.25 \frac{8 \times F \times 0.0108}{\pi (0.0012)^3} = 740 \times 10^6 \text{ Pa} \rightarrow F_2 = 37.19 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{For 3} \rightarrow \tau_{coil} = 1.055 \frac{8 \times F \times 0.0108}{\pi (0.0012)^3} = 740 \times 10^6 \text{ Pa} \rightarrow F_3 = 44.07 \text{ N}$$

The smallest is the critical (safest one)  $F_{max} = 34.88 \text{ N}$  cause yielding in the hook.

$$c) \quad k = \frac{d^4 G}{8D^3 N_a} = \frac{(0.0012)^4 \times 79.3 \times 10^9}{8 \times (0.0108)^3 \times 36}$$

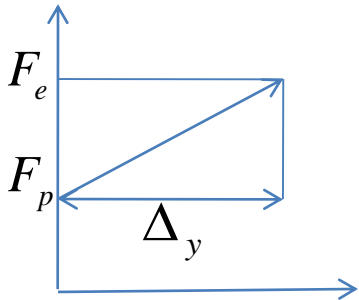
$$k = 453.2 \text{ N/m}$$

d) Since

$$F_{\max} = F_e = 34.88 \text{ N}$$

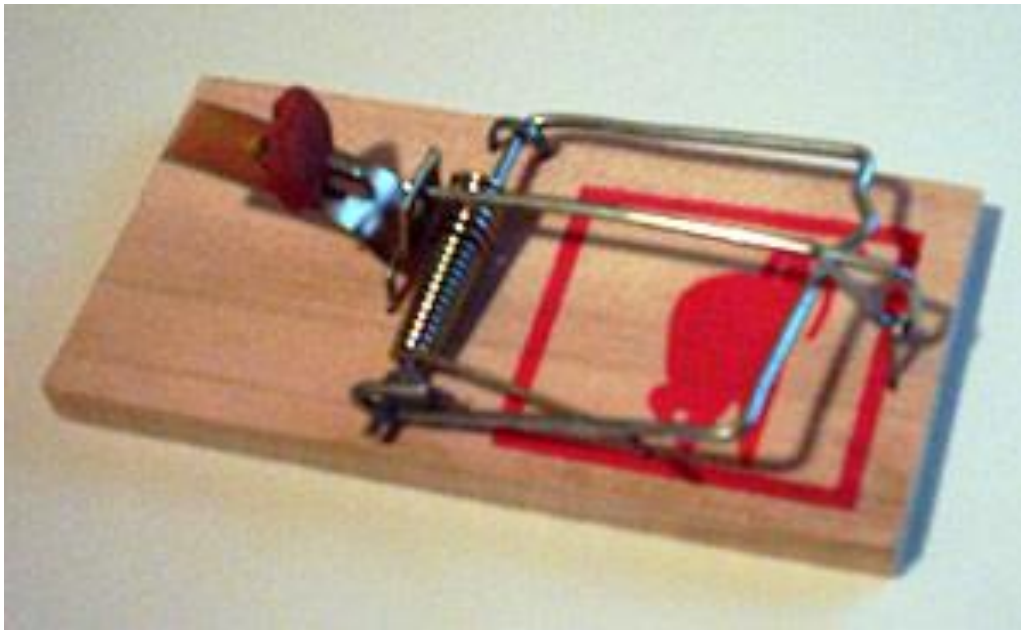
$$\delta_y = \frac{F_e - F_p}{k} = \frac{34.88 - 4.467}{453.2} = 0.0671 \text{ m} = 67.1 \text{ mm}$$

$$L_{\text{new}} = L_f + \delta_y = 70 + 67.1 = 137.1 \text{ mm}$$

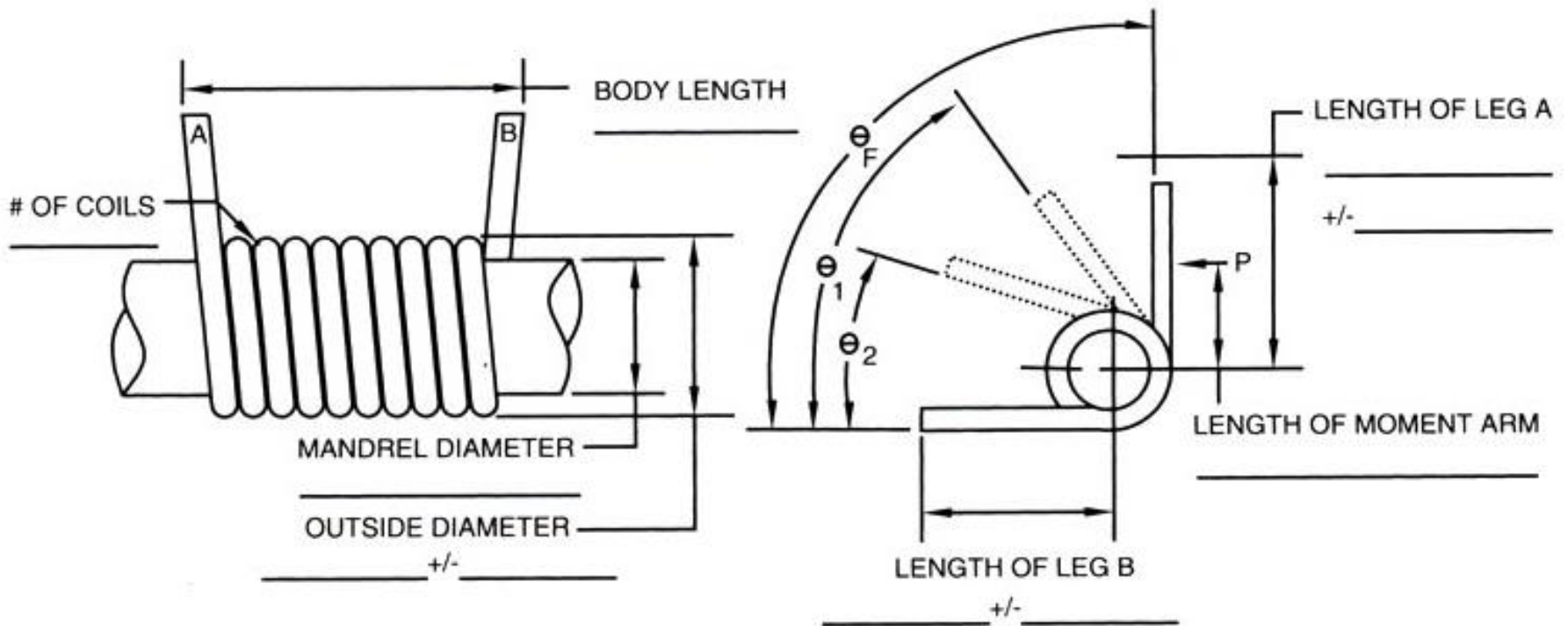


## 2.9 HELICAL TORSION SPRINGS

- Here are some examples of torsion springs



- Here is the geometry of torsion springs



And these are the different legs/ends of the torsion springs



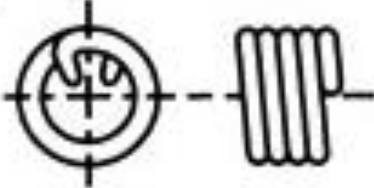

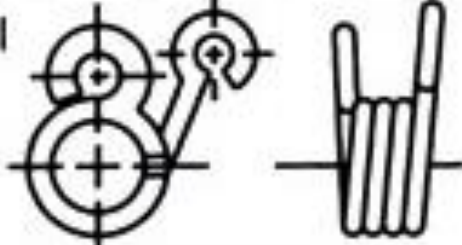
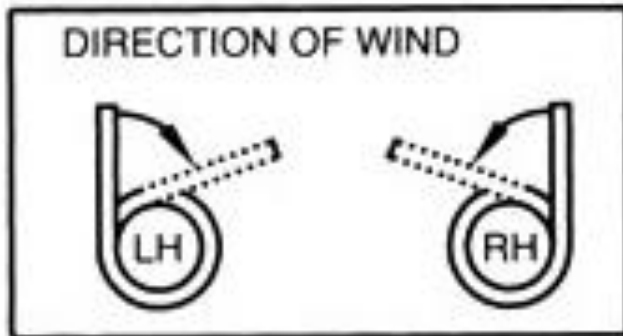
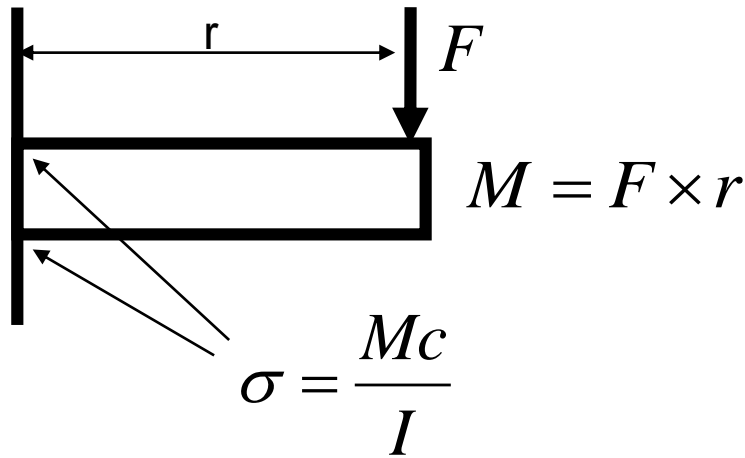
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<p>IV</p>  <p>Hinge Ends</p>	<p>V</p>  <p>Straight Torsion Ends</p>	<p>VI</p>  <p>Special Ends</p>

TABLE 2



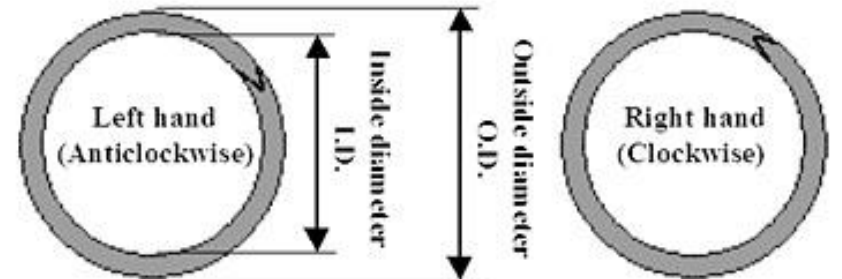
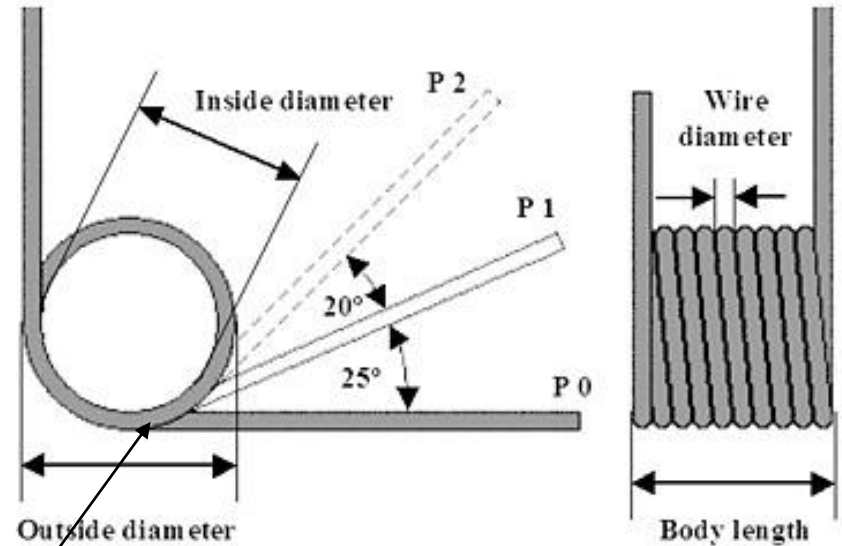
# 2.9.1 Torsion Springs Under Load

While the torsion springs are used in applications where torque is required (e.g. door hinges, dress catcher etc.) the wire itself is subjected to a bending moment of  $M = F \times r$  which produces a normal stress in the wire



$\sigma = \frac{Mc}{I} \times K$

stress multiplier due to curvature of the coil-arm connection





In curved beams of torsion springs

$$C = \frac{D}{d}$$

$$\sigma_A = K_o \frac{Mc}{I} \quad \text{at outer fiber}$$

$$I = \frac{\pi d^4}{64}$$

$$\sigma_B = K_i \frac{Mc}{I} \quad \text{at inner fiber}$$

$$c = \frac{d}{2}$$

$$K_o = \frac{4C^2 + C - 1}{4C(C + 1)} \quad \text{and} \quad K_i = \frac{4C^2 - C - 1}{4C(C - 1)}$$

Whichever of the  $K_o$  and  $K_i$  is larger it is used in design calculations as  $K$ .

Thus,

$$\sigma_{\max} = K_{\max} \frac{Mc}{I} = \underline{\underline{K_{\max} \frac{32F_{\max} r}{\pi d^3}}}$$

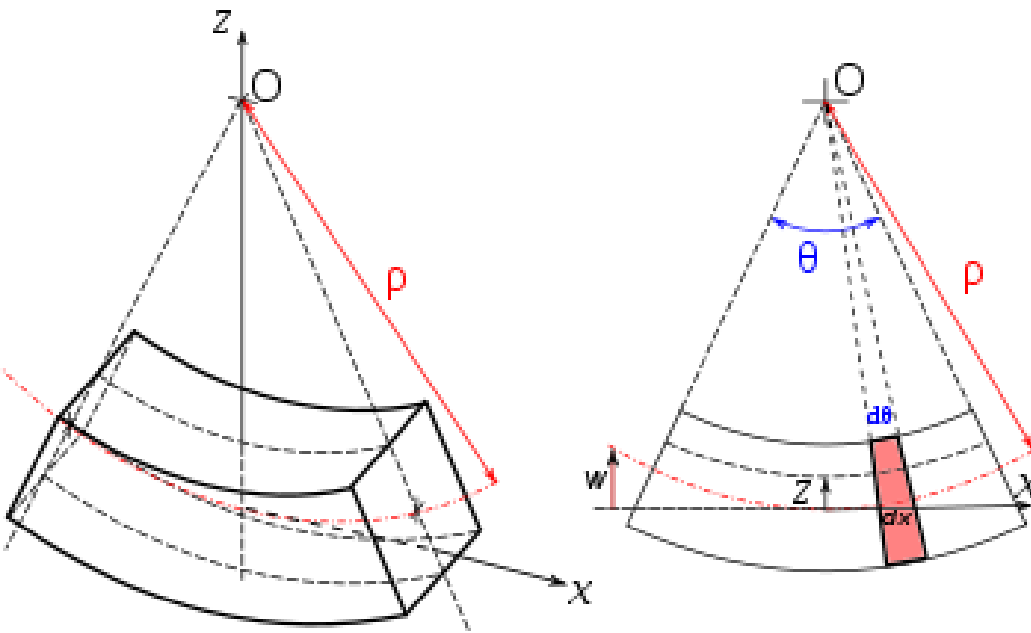
this is the max. bending stress occurs in round-wire torsion springs

$$\sigma_{\max} \leq S_y / n \quad \text{for static design}$$

$$\text{or } n_s = \frac{S_y}{\sigma_{\max}} \geq 1.0$$

# Deflection of torsion springs,

for an element of  $dx$  length



$$du = \text{Strain energy} = \frac{1}{2} M d\theta$$

Also

$$dx = \rho d\theta \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

$$\text{and} \quad \frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{M}{EI} \quad (\text{from ME 223})$$

$$\text{Thus} \quad d\theta = \frac{M}{EI} dx$$

$$\text{into} \quad du = \frac{1}{2} M d\theta = \frac{1}{2} M \frac{M dx}{EI}$$

$$du = \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI}$$

for small element dx; 
$$du = \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI}$$

for whole length; 
$$u = \int_0^L \frac{M^2 dx}{2EI}$$

And for torsion springs;  $L = \pi DN_t$  and  $M = Fr$

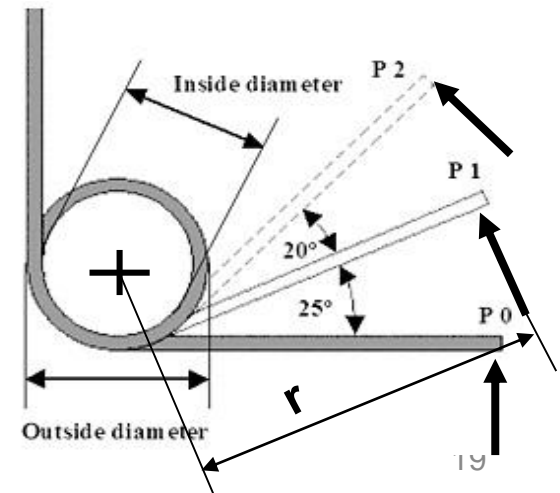
$$u = \int_0^{\pi DN_t} \frac{(Fr)^2 dx}{2EI} = \int_0^{\pi DN_t} \frac{F^2 r^2 dx}{2EI}$$

Using castiglione's theorem  
for deflection:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial F} = y$$

In torsion springs;

$$y = r \theta$$

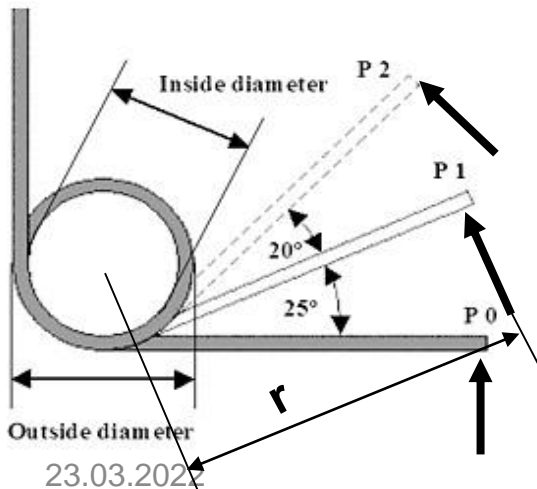


With relation  $y = r \theta$

$\frac{\partial u}{\partial F} = y$  gives the deflection  $y$  along the direction of  $F$  under the effect of force  $F$ .

$$y = r\theta = \frac{\partial u}{\partial F} = \int_0^{\pi DN_a} \frac{2Fr^2 dx}{2EI} = \int_0^{\pi DN_a} \frac{Fr^2 dx}{EI} = \frac{Fr^2 x}{EI} \Big|_0^{\pi DN_a} = \frac{Fr^2 \pi DN_a}{EI} = r\theta$$

Thus  $\theta = \frac{Fr \pi DN_a}{EI}$  where  $I = \frac{\pi d^4}{64}$   $\theta = \frac{64FrDN_a}{d^4 E}$  (rad)



this is the angular deflection of the spring in radians under the effect of force  $F$  at a distance of  $r$  from the spring center.

The torsional spring rate (similar to linear deflection  $F=k x$ ) is then

$$M = k\theta \quad \text{or} \quad k = \frac{M}{\theta} = \frac{Fr}{\frac{64FrDN_a}{d^4E}} = \frac{d^4E}{64DN_a} \quad \text{in Nm/radians}$$

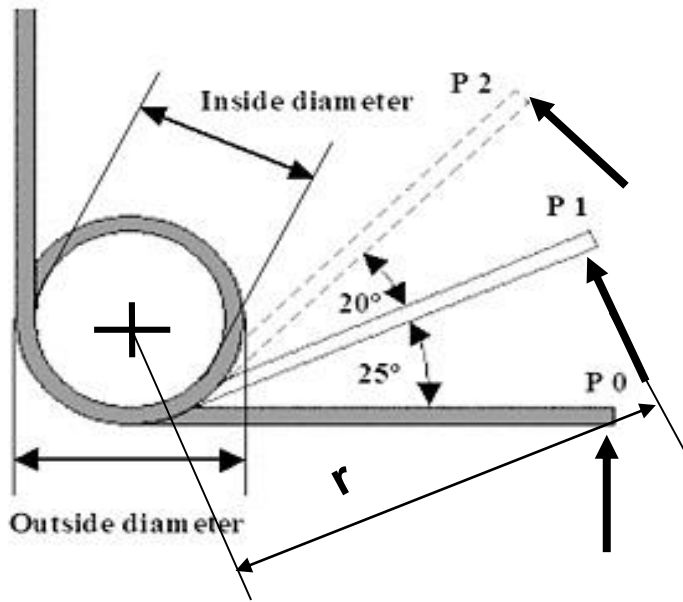
$k = \frac{d^4G}{8D^3N_a}$

$\theta = \frac{64FrDN_a}{d^4E} \quad (\text{rad})$

$$\text{or} \quad k' = \frac{d^4E}{64DN_a} \frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{rad}} \left( \times \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{1 \text{ rev}} \right) = \frac{d^4E}{10.2DN_a} \quad \text{in} \frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{rev}}$$

$$\text{or} \quad k' = \frac{d^4E}{\underline{\underline{10.8DN_a}}} \frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{rev}}$$

will give better results when compared with test results.



The compressive forces,  $F$ 's winding up the spring, cause an inner diameter reduction in torsion spring.

Since the round bar (fitted inside the torsion spring) is rigid the inner diameter of the spring can't be less than diameter of the bar when the loads are applied.

$$D_i' N_a' = D_i N_a \quad M = k'\theta \quad \text{or} \quad \theta = \frac{M}{k'} \quad (\text{in Nm/revs})$$

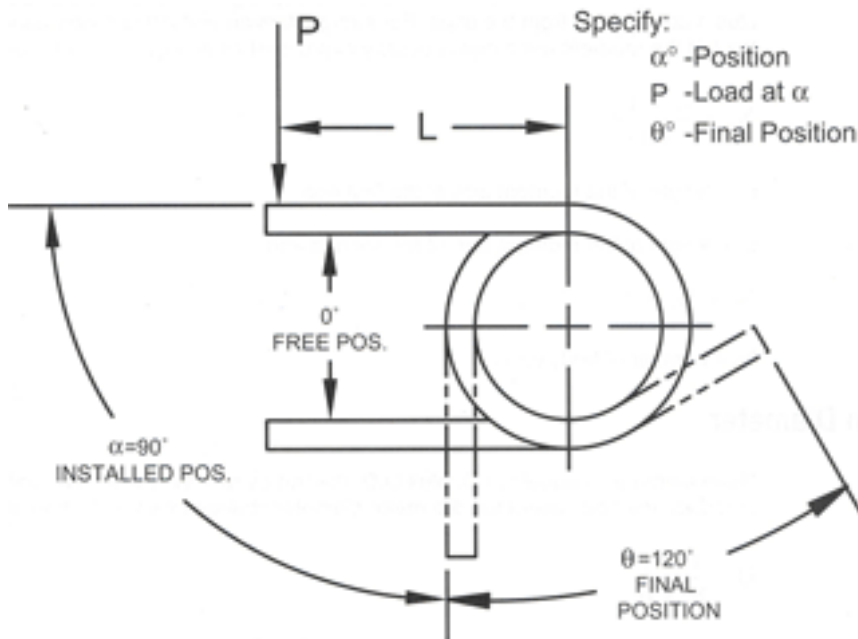
$$\text{Also} \quad N' = N_a + \Delta N \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta N = \frac{Fr}{k'}$$

where  $D_i$  and  $N_a$

are the inside diameter and coil number when the load isn't applied.

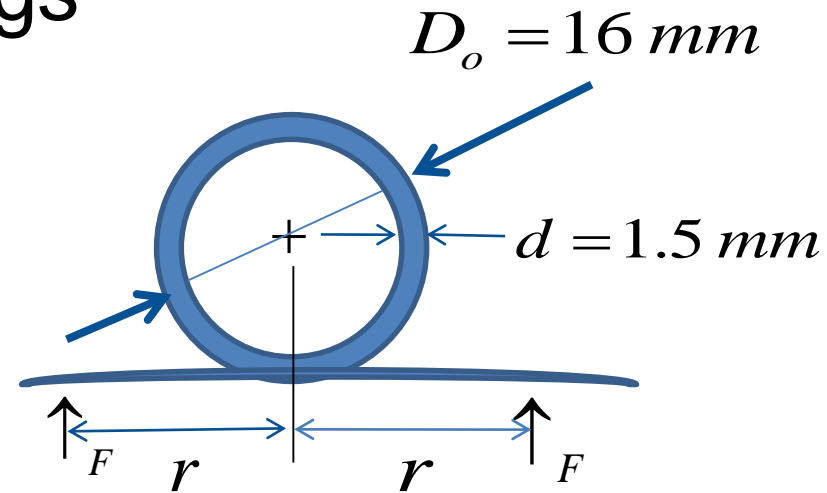
$D_i'$  and  $N'$

are the inside diameter and coil number after the load is applied.



# Example 5: for torsion springs

A stock torsion spring is made of 1.5 mm music wire, has 6 coils and straight ends 50 mm long and 180° apart. The outside diameter is 16 mm.



$$\sigma = K_{i,o} \frac{32Fr}{\pi d^3} \quad \text{Where } Fr = ?$$

$$D_i' = D_i N / N' = ?$$

$$\theta = \frac{Fr \pi D N_a}{EI} = ?$$

$$\theta = \frac{M}{k'} = \text{in revs}$$

- What value of torque ( $Fr$ ) would cause a maximum stress equal to the yield strength?
- If the torque found in (a) is used as the maximum working torque, what will be the smallest value of the inside diameter. ( $D_i' = ?$ )
- Compute the angle of rotation corresponding to the torque found in (a)

Answers:  $\sigma = K_{i,o} \frac{32Fr}{\pi d^3}$  Where  $Fr = ?$   $Fr = \frac{S_y \pi d^3}{32K_i}$

a)

$$\sigma = S_y \rightarrow S_{ut} = \frac{A}{d^m} = \frac{2170}{(1.5)^{0.146}} = 2045.27 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma = S_y = 0.75 \times S_{ut} = 0.75 \times 2045.27 = 1534 \text{ MPa}$$

$$K_o = \frac{4C^2 + C - 1}{4C(C+1)} \quad \& \quad K_i = \frac{4C^2 - C - 1}{4C(C-1)} \quad C = \frac{D}{d} = \frac{16 - 1.5}{1.5} = 9.67$$

$$K_i = \frac{4C^2 - C - 1}{4C(C-1)}$$

$$K_i = 1.08 > K_o = 0.9272$$

$$Fr_{\max} = \frac{S_y \pi d^3}{32K_i} = \frac{1534 \times 10^6 \times \pi (1.5 \times 10^{-3})^3}{32 \times 1.08}$$

$$Fr_{\max} = 0.47 \text{ Nm} = 470 \text{ Nmm}$$



$$\text{b) } D_i' N_a' = D_i N_a \quad D_i' = D_i \frac{N_a}{N_a'} \quad M = k' \theta \quad \text{or} \quad \theta = \frac{M}{k'} \quad (\text{in Nm/revs})$$

$$D_i = D_o - 2d = 16 - 2 \times 1.5 = 13 \text{ mm}$$

$$N_a = 6$$

$$N_a' = N_a + \Delta N = ?$$

$$\Delta N = \theta = n_{\text{turn}} = \frac{Fr}{k'}$$

$$k' = \frac{d^4 E}{10.8 D N_a} = \frac{(1.5 \times 10^{-3})^4 \times 207 \times 10^9}{10.8 \times (0.0145) \times 6} = 1.115 \frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{turn}}$$

$$\Delta N = \frac{0.47}{1.115} = 0.421 \text{ turns} \longrightarrow D_i' = 13 \frac{6}{6 + 0.421} = 12.147 \text{ mm}$$

$$N_a' = N_a + \Delta N = 6.0 + 0.421 = 6.421$$

$$\text{c) } \theta = n_{\text{turn}} \times 360 = 0.421 \times 360 = 151.56 \text{ degrees}$$

## 2.10 Design Procedure for the Helical Springs

- Most of the spring parameters are unknown at the beginning of a design stage.
- Each design is an iteration procedure of assuming some parameters and values (material,  $C$ ,  $d$ ,  $D$  or  $D_o$ ,  $D_i$  etc).
- Afterwards, you have to check whether other geometric constraints and failure criteria are satisfied or not. However, reaching a suitable solution may require lots of iteration and calculation steps
- To ease the design process, most spring design problems can be put into a tabulation-iteration form similar to (spreadsheets) as seen in following example:

Assume d (mm)	C	$K_S$	$\tau_{\max}$ (MPa)	$S_{ut}$ (MPa)	$S_y$ (MPa)	$S_{sy}$ (MPa)	$\tau_{\max} < ? S_{sy}$ <b>Notes</b>
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7							549 > 521 failure
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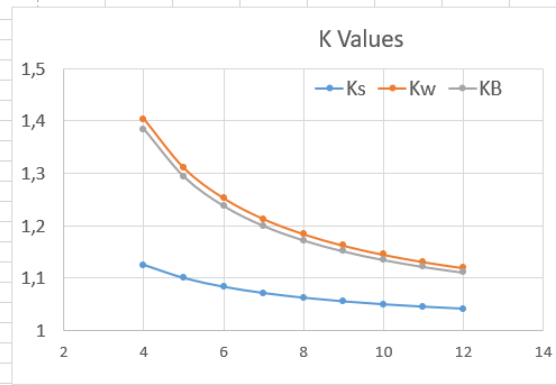
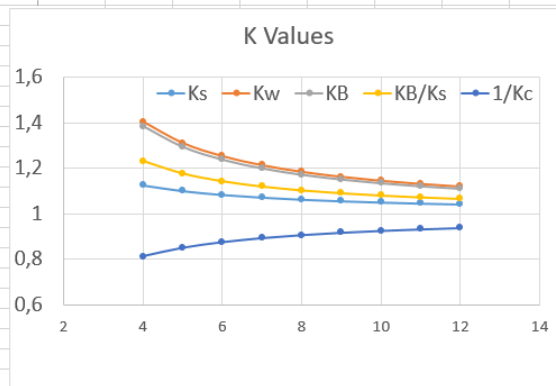
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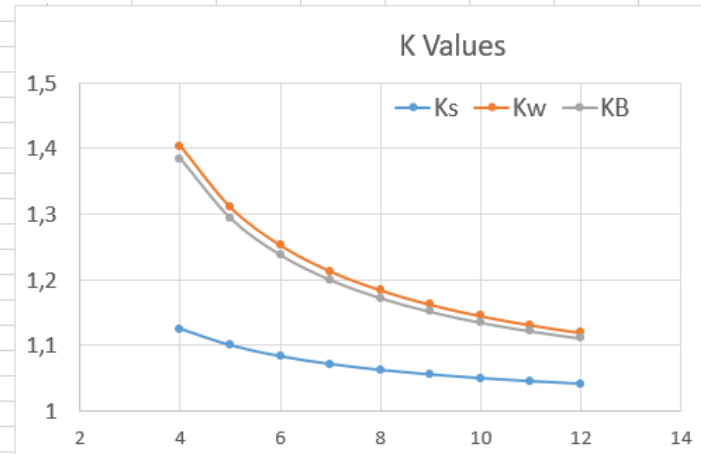
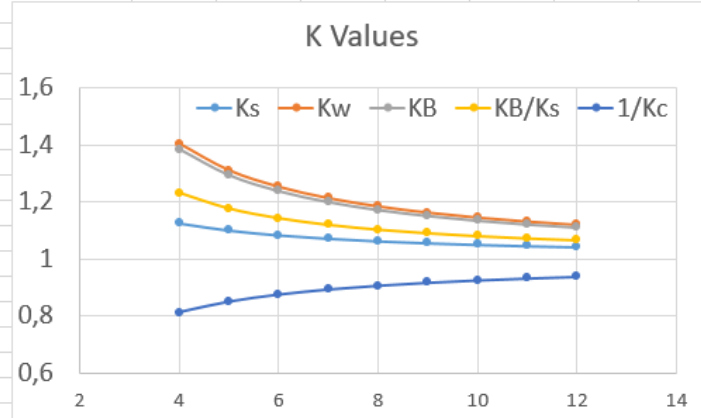
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5			4	1,125	1,40375	1,3846	1,2308	0,81250									
6			5	1,1	1,3105	1,2941	1,1765	0,85000									
7			6	1,0833	1,2525	1,2381	1,1429	0,87500									
8			7	1,0714	1,21286	1,2	1,12	0,8929									
9			8	1,0625	1,18402	1,1724	1,1034	0,9063									
10			9	1,0556	1,16208	1,1515	1,0909	0,9167									
11			10	1,05	1,14483	1,1351	1,0811	0,92500									
12			11	1,0455	1,13091	1,122	1,0732	0,9318									
13			12	1,0417	1,11943	1,1111	1,0667	0,93750									
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16			5,56	1,0899	1,27509	1,2599	1,1559	0,86511									
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# EXAMPLE 6:

A helical compression spring of hard-drawn wire with a mean diameter of 40 mm and squared and ground ends is assembled with a preload of 500  $N$  and will operate to a maximum load of 1700  $N$ .

- a) Compute the wire diameter based on static failure with safety factor 1.25.
- b) How many of total coils are required if the spring scale,  $k$  is required to be 127  $kN/m$  (end condition squared and ground).

# SOLUTION:

**Table 2.1 Spring materials and constant for estimating tensile strength**

Material	Size range (mm)	Exponent, $m$	Constant, $A$ (MPa.mm <sup><math>m</math></sup> )
Music wire	0.10-6.5	0.146	2170
Oil-tempered wire	0.50-12	0.186	1880
Hard-drawn wire	0.70-12	0.192	1750
Chrome-vanadium	0.80-12	0.167	2000
Chrome silicone	1.60-10	0.112	2000

a) For static failure  $\tau_{\max} \leq S_{sy}$        $\tau_{\max} = K_s \frac{8F_{\max} D}{\pi d^3}$       and

Similarly  $S_{sy} = 0.577S_y$

$S_y = 0.75S_{ut}$

$K_s = 1 + \frac{0.5}{C}$       and       $C = \frac{D}{d}$

$S_{ut} = \frac{A}{d^m}$

Everything is dependent on d

Here again strength is dependent on d which is already unknown,

However we can make use of information in Table 2.1 for “Hard drawn wire”  $d = 0.70-12$  mm

Here  $\tau_{\max} \leq S_{sy}$  Given:  $D = 40$  mm, squared and ground ends

$$\tau_{\max} = K_s \frac{8F_{\max} D}{\pi d^3} \quad \text{where} \quad K_s = 1 + \frac{0.5}{C} \quad \text{and} \quad C = \frac{D}{d}$$

$$S_{sy} = 0.577S_y \quad \text{and} \quad S_y = 0.75S_{ut} \quad \text{and} \quad S_{ut} = \frac{A}{d^m}$$

Thus if we use a table of iteration with  $d$  assumed (to be between  $0.70$  mm and  $12$  mm) and rest checked, we can reach a feasible solution

<b>d (mm)</b>	<b>C</b>	$K_s$	$\tau_{\max}$ <b>MPa</b>	$S_{ut}$ <b>MPa</b>	$S_y$ <b>MPa</b>	$S_{sy}$ <b>MPa</b>	$n_s = S_{sy} / \tau_{\max}$ <b>Notes</b>
6	6.67	1.075	861	1240.6	930.3	536.8	861 > 536 failure
7	5.71	1.0875	549	1204.4	903.3	521.2	549 > 521 failure
8	5.0	1.10	372	1174	880.5	508.0	372 < 508 satisfactory

$$n_s = 508/372 = 1.36 \quad \text{Satisfactory}$$

b)

$$N_t = N_a + N_e \quad \text{For squared and ground ends} \longrightarrow N_e = 2$$

$$N_a = ? \quad k = \frac{d^4 G}{8D^3 N_a}$$

$$N_a = \frac{d^4 G}{8D^3 k} = \frac{(0.008)^4 \times 79.3 \times 10^9}{8 \times (0.04)^3 \times 127 \times 10^3}$$

$$N_a = 5$$

$$N_t = 5 + 2 = 7 \text{ coils}$$



# 2.11 OPTIMIZATION OF SPRING DESIGN

Springs are usually optimized in two categories:

1) Objective is to minimize

- a) weight
- b) volume
- c) wire diameter
- d) Length
- e) spring rate

2) Objective is to maximize

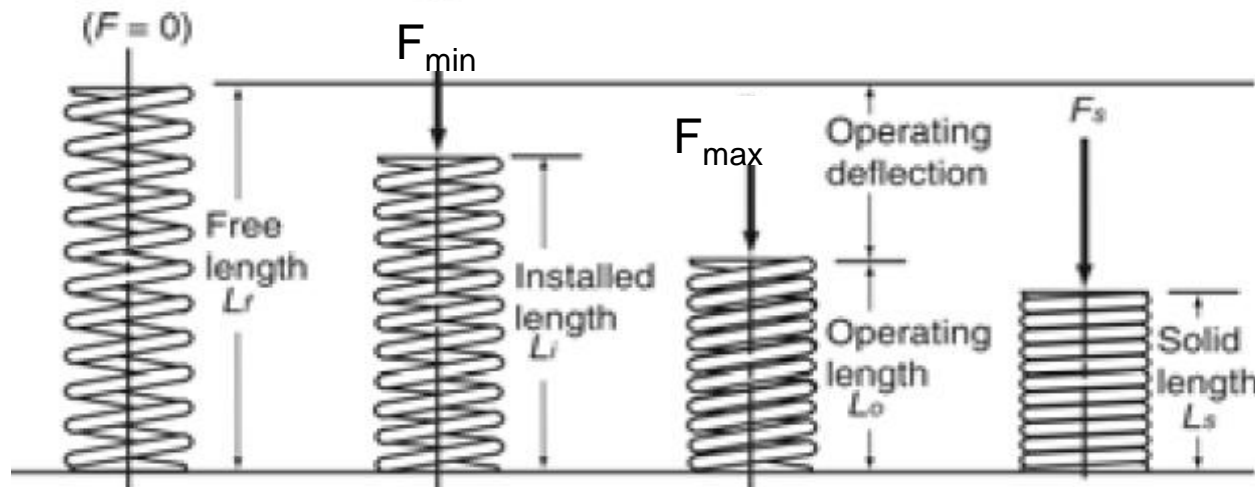
- a) work done by spring ( $W=F*y$ )
- b) Deflection
- c) factor of safety
- d) Reliability
- e) fatigue strength

In both categories of the optimization all the design requirements have to be satisfied e.g.

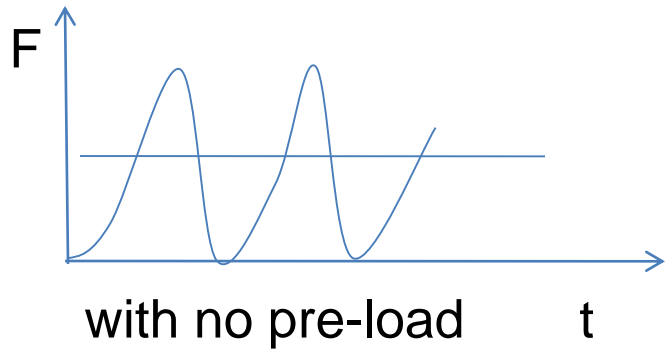
- Static safety factor,
- buckling,
- critical frequency,
- fatigue safety factor,
- geometrical constraint ( $OD$ ,  $ID$  etc.)

# 2.12 Fatigue Loading of Springs

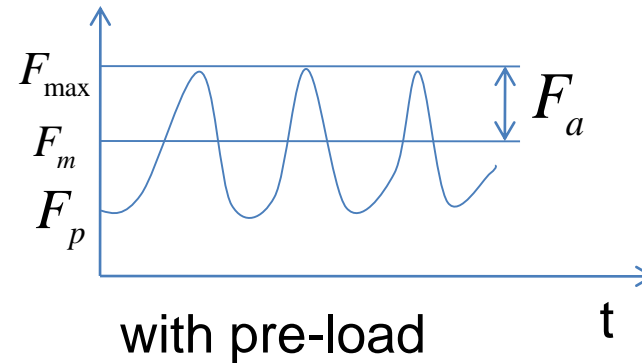
- In most applications springs are subjected to fatigue loading since they have to deflect between some points.
- The life of the springs may change from a few thousands cycle to millions of cycle (as in the valve spring application of automotive vehicles)
- Contrary to the rotating shafts under a vertical force in which completely reversed stresses are quite ordinary, springs can only be used either as compression or as tension but not together and most of the time they are installed with a preload.



Thus the stress-time diagram of



or



occur in helical springs.

The worst condition is with no-preload ( $\tau_{min} = 0$ )

In designing springs to resist fatigue failure, we start with calculating alternating and mean components of the force.

$$F_a = \frac{F_{\max} - F_{\min}}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad F_m = \frac{F_{\max} + F_{\min}}{2}$$

where

$$\tau_a = K_s \frac{8F_a D}{\pi d^3} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau_m = K_s \frac{8F_m D}{\pi d^3}$$

$$K_s = 1 + \frac{0.5}{C}$$

$$C = \frac{D}{d}$$

- Springs under varying (fatigue) loads should always be checked against both static failure and fatigue failure.
- If the spring is compression type this is done for the shear stress in the body of the spring
- If the spring is extension type then we have to check all three conditions; shear in body, shear in hook and bending in hook.
- If the spring is torsion type then we have to check bending in the arm/leg of the spring

For example (Chapter 7, Eq.s 7.37 and 7.38)

1) Check for static safety  $S_{sy} \geq \tau_m + \tau_a = \tau_{\max} \times n$

2) Check for fatigue safety  $\tau_a \leq S_{se}/n$  for infinite life

For example

1) Check for static safety

$$S_{sy} \geq \tau_m + \tau_a = \tau_{\max} \times n$$

2) Check for fatigue safety

$$\tau_a \leq S_{se} / n \quad \text{for infinite life}$$

An extended study(11) of available literature regarding torsional fatigue found that for polished, notch-free, cylindrical specimens subjected to torsional shear stress, the maximum alternating stress that may be imposed without causing failure is *constant* and **independent of the mean stress** in the cycle provided that the maximum stress range does not equal or exceed the torsional yield strength of the metal. With notches and abrupt section changes this consistency is not found. Springs are free of notches and surfaces are often very smooth. This failure criterion is known as the **Sines failure criterion in torsional fatigue**.

10 F. P. Zimmerli, "Human Failures in Spring Applications," *The Mainspring*, no. 17, Associated Spring Corporation, Bristol, Conn., August–September 1957.

11 Oscar J. Horger (ed.), *Metals Engineering: Design Handbook*, McGraw-Hill, New York, 1953, p. 84.

For fatigue safety  $\tau_a \leq S_{se}/n$  should be satisfied for infinite life

$$S_{se} = k_c \times k_d \times k_e \times S'_{se}$$

$S_{se}$  = endurance limit strength in shear with reliability life, temperature and stress concentration factor.

where

$k_c \rightarrow$  reliability factor

$k_d \rightarrow$  temperature factor

$k_e = \frac{1}{K_c} \rightarrow$  stress concentration factor

$$K_c = \frac{K}{K_s} = \frac{\text{wahl correction factor}}{\text{stress multiplier}} = \frac{4C-1}{4C-4} + \frac{0.615}{C} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + \frac{0.5}{C}}$$

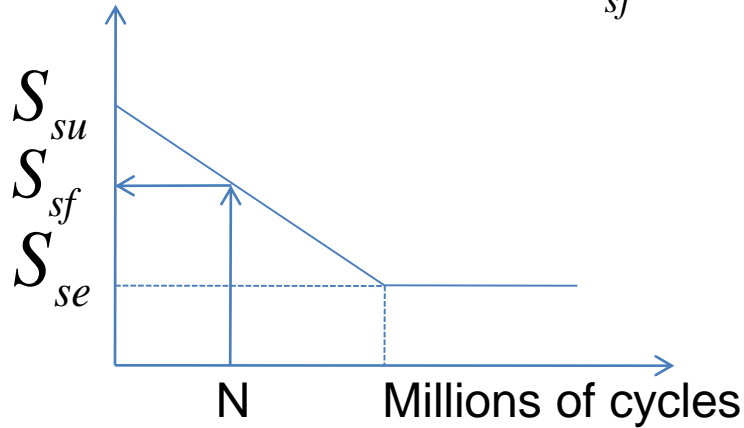
$S'_{se} = 310 \text{ MPa (45 kpsi)}$  for unpeened springs

$S'_{se} = 465 \text{ MPa (67.5 kpsi)}$  for peened springs

} corrected for  $k_a$  and  $k_b$

For finite life cases where  $(\tau_a > S_{se} ; \text{ and } \tau_a = S_{sf})$

Relation  $S_{sf} = 10^c \times N^b$  is used where



$$c = \log \frac{(0.8 \times S_{su})^2}{S_{se}}$$

$$b = -\frac{1}{3} \log \frac{0.8 \times S_{su}}{S_{se}}$$

$$S_{su} = 0.60 \times S_{ut}$$

$S_{su}$ , The ultimate shear strength, Or torsional modulus of rupture

$$S_{ut} = \frac{A}{d^m} \quad \text{or} \quad S_{ut} = 3.45 \text{ HB in MPa}$$

$$S_{ut} = 500 \text{ HB in psi}$$

When analyzing or designing springs to resist fatigue, it is always important to check critical (natural) frequency to be sure that spring surge will not be a problem;

The critical natural frequency of torsion springs is again

$$f_n = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{kg}{W_a}} \quad \text{Hz (cycle / sec)} \quad \left( f_n = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \right)$$

$$W_a = A \times L \times \rho = \frac{\pi d^2}{4} \times \pi D N_t \times \rho = \frac{\pi^2 d^2 D N_t \rho}{4}$$

$\rho$  is the material weight density ( $N/m^3$ )

$$f_{force} \leq \frac{f_n}{15}$$

and  $f_n \geq 15 f_{force}$  is still suggested for a reliable functioning.



# Example 7: Failure of Compression Springs

A compression coil spring with;  $d=12 \text{ mm}$ ,  $D_i = 140 \text{ mm}$ ,  $N_t = 12 \text{ coils}$ , squared and ground ends, HB of 380 after heat treatment,  $L_f= 500 \text{ mm}$  is assembled into a machine by compressing it to a length of 458 mm.

When the machine runs, the spring is compressed an additional 254 mm so that the maximum load on the spring corresponds to a spring length of  $458-254= 204 \text{ mm}$  and the minimum load to a length of 458 mm.

- a) Calculate the spring rate (k).
- b) Would this spring develop a permanent set if compresses solid? why?
- c) Is the spring likely to buckle?
- d) Based on 50 % reliability and infinite life, will the spring fail by fatigue?
- e) What will be the safe fatigue life for the spring if it is to work with in an environment of 400 °C with a reliability of 99 %?
- f) What should be the maximum forcing frequency of the spring to prevent spring surge if spring is held between parallel flat plates?

# SOLUTION:

a)  $d = 12 \text{ mm}$ ,  $G = 79.3 \times 10^9 \text{ Pa (N/m}^2\text{)}$  for steel

$$D = D_i + d = 140 + 12 = 152 \text{ mm}$$

$$N_a = N_t - N_e = 12 - 2 = 10 \text{ coils}$$

$$k = \frac{d^4 G}{8D^3 N_a}$$

$$k = \frac{(12)^4 \times 79.3 \times 10^3}{8 \times (152)^3 \times 10} = \underline{\underline{5.85 \text{ N/mm}}} \quad \text{or} \quad \underline{\underline{5850 \text{ N/m}}}$$

b) In case of compressing solid, permanent set occurs if  $\tau_s > S_{sy}$

$$S_{sy} = 0.577 \times 0.75 \times S_{ut}; \quad \text{and} \quad S_{ut} = \frac{A}{d^m} \quad \text{or} \quad S_{ut} = 3.45 \text{ HB MPa}$$

$$S_{sy} = 0.577 \times 0.75 \times 1311 = 567 \text{ MPa} \quad S_{ut} = 3.45 \times 380 = \underline{\underline{1311 \text{ MPa}}}$$

$$K_s = ? \quad 1 + \frac{0.5}{C} \quad C = \frac{D}{d} = \frac{152}{12} = 12.66$$

$$F_s = ? = k(L_f - L_s) \quad 4 \leq C \leq 12 \quad \text{Acceptable}$$

$$F_s = 5.85(500 - 144) \quad L_s = N_t \times d$$

$$F_s = \underline{\underline{2082.6 \text{ N}}} \quad L_s = 12 \times 12 = 144 \text{ mm}$$

$$K_s = 1 + \frac{0.5}{12.66} = \underline{\underline{1.04}}$$

$$\tau_s = K_s \frac{8F_s D}{\pi d^3}$$

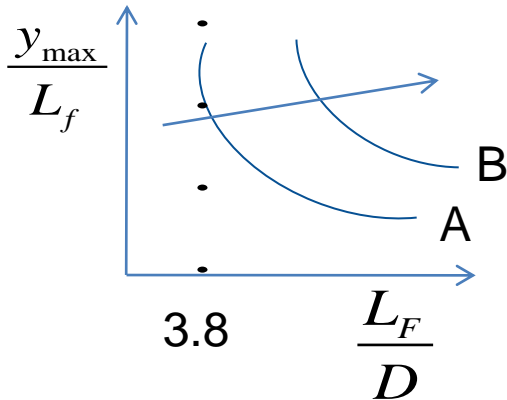
$$\tau_s = \underline{\underline{485 \text{ MPa}}}$$

Since  $\tau_s < S_{sy}$  ( $485 < 567$ )

No-permanent set occurs when compressed solid

c) Buckling ?

$$\frac{L_f}{D} = \frac{500}{152} = 3.3 < 3.8$$



there is no risk of spring buckling for either of the end conditions (A and B).  
 curve A: flat-to-rounded- end  
 B: flat-to-flat ends.

d) For infinite life condition;  $\tau_a \leq S_{se}$  or  $n = \frac{S_{se}}{\tau_a} \geq 1.0$

if  $\tau_a > S_{se}$  or  $n = \frac{S_{se}}{\tau_a} < 1.0$

this means the spring has a finite life and it fails based on infinite life requirements

$$S_{se} = k_c \times k_d \times k_e \times S'_{se}$$

$$S'_{se} = 310 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{for unpeened springs}$$

$$k_c = 1 \quad (\text{Table 7.7} \quad 50\% \text{ reliability})$$

$$k_d = 1 \quad \text{No temp. is given}$$

$$S_{se} = 1.0 \times 1.0 \times 0.934 \times 310$$

$$S_{se} = \underline{\underline{289.5 \text{ MPa}}}$$

$$k_e = \frac{1}{K_c}$$

$$K_c = \frac{K_w}{K_s} = \frac{\frac{4C-1}{4C-4} + \frac{0.615}{C}}{1 + \frac{0.5}{C}} = \frac{1.113}{1.04}$$

$$k_e = 0.934$$

$$\tau_a = K_s \frac{8F_a D}{\pi d^3}$$

$$F_a = \frac{F_{\max} - F_{\min}}{2}$$

$$\tau_a = \underline{\underline{173 \text{ MPa}}}$$

$$F_a = \frac{k(500 - 204) - k(500 - 458)}{2}$$

$$F_a = k \frac{254}{2} = \underline{\underline{743 \text{ N}}}$$

$$n = \frac{S_{se}}{\tau_a} = \frac{289.5}{173} = 1.673 > 1.0$$

no fatigue failure based on infinite life.  
spring has INFINITE LIFE.

$$k = \underline{\underline{5.85 \text{ N/mm}}}$$

$$e) \quad S_{se} = k_c \times k_d \times k_e \times S'_{se}$$

$$R = 99 \% \rightarrow k_c = 0.814 \text{ (Table 7.7)}$$

$$T = 400 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow k_d = 0.5 \text{ (Chapter 7, Eq(7.26))}$$

$$k_e = \frac{1}{K_c} = 0.934 \quad \text{(Fig. 7.12)}$$

$$S_{se} = 0.814 \times 0.5 \times 0.934 \times 310$$

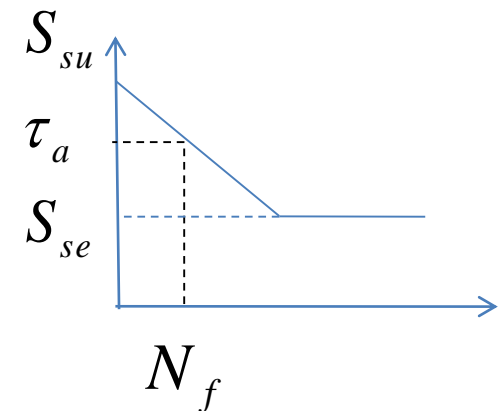
$$S_{se} = \underline{\underline{118 \text{ MPa}}}$$

$$\tau_a = 173 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{as before}$$

$$n = \frac{S_{se}}{\tau_a} = \frac{118}{173} = 0.68 < 1.0$$

This means spring will have a FINITE life;  $N_f$

$S_{se}$  = endurance limit strength in shear with reliability life, temperature and stress concentration factor.



e)

For finite life region  $\tau_a = S_{sf} = 10^c N_f^b$

$$S_{ut} = 3.45 \text{ HB MPa}$$

$$S_{ut} = 3.45 \times 380 = \underline{\underline{1311 \text{ MPa}}}$$

$$\tau_a = \underline{\underline{173 \text{ MPa}}}$$

$$c = \log \frac{(0.8 \times S_{su})^2}{S_{se}}$$

$$S_{su} = 0.60 \times S_{ut}$$

$$S_{su} = 787 \text{ MPa}$$

$$b = -\frac{1}{3} \log \frac{0.8 \times S_{su}}{S_{se}}$$

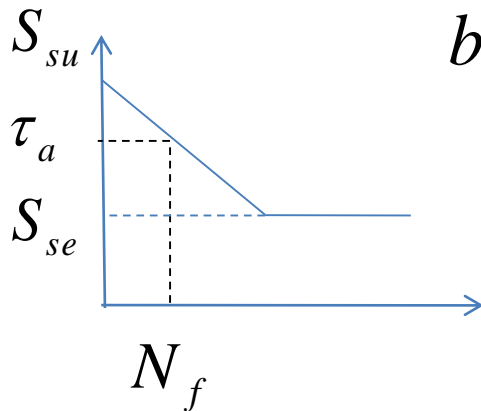
$$c = 3.53$$

$$b = -0.243$$

$$173 \text{ MPa} = 10^{3.53} \times N_f^{-0.243}$$

$$N_f^{-0.243} = 0.051$$

$$N_f = \underline{\underline{208300 \text{ cycles}}}$$



This is the maximum safe number of cycles that the spring can be loaded before failure.

f)

$$f_{force} \leq \frac{f_n}{15} \text{ Hz (cycle / sec)} \quad f_n = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{k(N/m)}{m_s(kg)}}$$

$$m_s = A \times L \times \rho = \frac{\pi(12)^2}{4} \times (\pi \times 152 \times 12) \times \left(10^{-9} \frac{m^3}{mm^3}\right) \times 7800 \frac{kg}{m^3}$$

$$m_s = \underline{\underline{5.055 \text{ kg}}}$$

$$k = \underline{\underline{5850 \text{ N/m}}}$$

$$f_n = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{5850}{5.055}} = 17 \text{ Hz}$$

$$f_f \leq \frac{17}{15} \cong 1 \text{ Hz (cycle / sec)}$$

$$f_{f \max} = 1 \text{ cycle / sec}$$



# EXAMPLE 8: Torsion Springs

Design a straight ended helical torsion spring for static loading of 100 Nm at a deflection of 45° with a safety factor of 1.25 for static loading. Specify all parameters necessary to manufacture the spring and state all the assumptions.

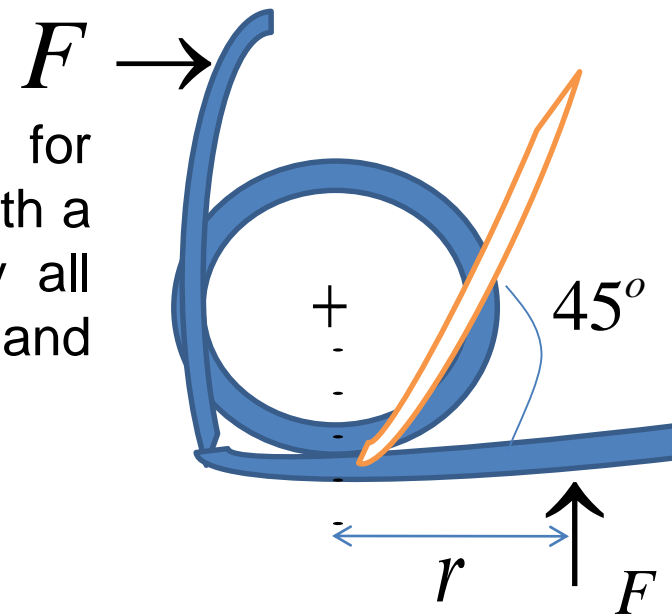
$$T_{\max} = (Fr)_{\max} = 100 \text{ Nm} = 100\,000 \text{ Nmm}$$

$$\theta_{\max} = 45^\circ = \frac{1}{8} \text{ turns (revs)}$$

$$\text{spring rate } k' = \frac{T}{\theta} = \frac{100 \text{ Nm}}{\frac{1}{8} \text{ turns}} = 800 \frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{turns}}$$

$$\text{Also } k' = \frac{d^4 E}{10.8 D N_a} \quad \text{or} \quad N_a = \frac{d^4 E}{10.8 D k'}$$

$$\text{Since } n = \frac{S_y}{\sigma_{\max}} = 1.25 \quad \text{or} \quad n = \frac{0.75(A/d^m)}{K_i \frac{32(Fr)_{\max}}{\pi d^3}}$$



For  $r = 100 \text{ mm}$   
 $F = 1000 \text{ N (100kg)}$

if  $d$  and  $D$  are known then  $N_a$  can be determined.

where

$$K_i = \frac{4C^2 - C - 1}{4C(C - 1)}$$

$$K_o = \frac{4C^2 + C - 1}{4C(C + 1)}$$

Use tabulation method of iteration(assume oil tempered with  
 $A= 1880 \text{ MPa}$ ,  $m=0.186$ ,  $d=0.5-12 \text{ mm}$ )

Assume d, mm	C=8	D, mm	$S_y, \text{MPa}$	$\sigma_{\max}, \text{MPa}$	$n = \frac{S_y}{\sigma}$	NOTES
4		32	1089	17548	0.062	Not safe
10		80	918	1123	0.817	Not safe
11		88	902	844	1.068	Not safe
12		96	888	650	<u>1.36</u>	<u>SAFE</u>
	C=12					
10		120	918	1085.7	0.845	Not safe
11		132	902	816	1.105	Not safe
12		144	888	628.5	1.41	<u>SAFE</u>

$$C = \frac{D}{d}$$

for

$$C = 8; K_i = 1.102$$

$$C = 4; K_i = 1.23$$

$$C = 12; K_i = 1.066$$

$$N_a = \frac{d^4 E}{10.8 k' D}$$

$$N_a = \frac{(12 \times 10^{-3})^4 \times 207 \times 10^9}{10.8 \times 800 \times 0.096}$$

$$N_a = 5.175 \text{ turns} \cong 5.25 \text{ turns}$$

$$d = 12 \text{ mm} \quad D = 96 \text{ mm}$$

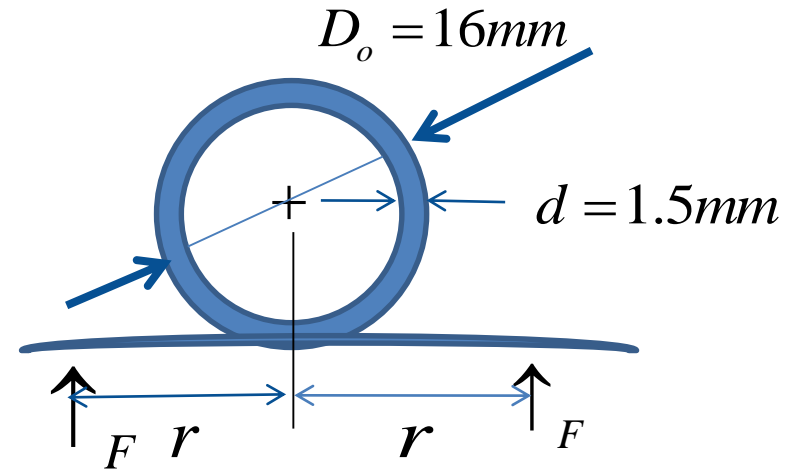
$$N_a = 5.25 \text{ turns}$$

made of oil tempered wire

# EXAMPLE 9: Torsion Springs (10-20) Continue of Ex. 5)

A stock torsion spring is made of 1.5 mm music wire, has 6 coils and straight ends 50 mm long and 180° apart. The outside diameter is 16 mm.

- What value of torque ( $Fxr$ ) Would cause a maximum stress equal to the yield strength?
- If the torque found in(a) is used as the maximum working torque, what is the smallest value of the inside diameter. ( $D_i=?$ )
- Compute the angle of rotation corresponding to the torque found in (a)



- If the spring is to be used in an application subject to fatigue loading based on the information;

- R= 95%,
- max torque= M,
- min torque= 0.25 M,
- infinite life.

**What value of the maximum torque M can safety be applied?**

- What number of cycle would be possible to run if a loading of  $M_{\min} = 0.25 M_{\max}$  and  $M_{\max} = 1.0 M_{\max}$  is applied with  $M_{\max} = 0.4 \text{ Nm}$ ? ( $N = ?$ )

# SOLUTION:

a, b and c were previously solved

$$Fr_{\max} = \frac{S_y \pi d^3}{32K_i} = \frac{1534 \times 10^6 \times \pi (1.5 \times 10^{-3})^3}{32 \times 1.08}$$

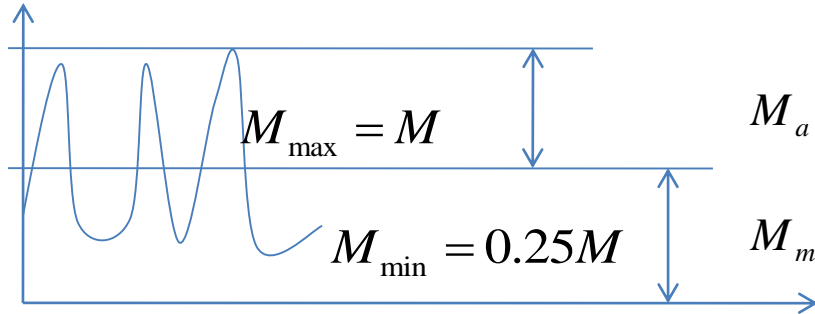
$$Fr_{\max} = 0.47 \text{ Nm} = 470 \text{ Nmm}$$

$$\Delta N = \frac{Fr}{k'}, k' = \frac{d^4 E}{10.8 D N_a} = \frac{(1.5 \times 10^{-3})^4 \times 207 \times 10^9}{10.8 \times (0.0145) \times 6} = 1.115 \frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{turn}}$$

$$\Delta N = n = \frac{0.47}{1.115} = 0.421 \text{ turns} = 151.56 \text{ degrees}$$

$$D_i' = D_i \frac{N_a}{N_a + \Delta N} = 13 \frac{6}{6 + 0.421} = 12.147 \text{ mm}$$

## d) Fatigue safety?



$$M_a = \frac{M_{\max} - M_{\min}}{2} = \frac{M - 0.25M}{2} = \frac{0.75M}{2} = 0.375M$$

$$M_m = \frac{M_{\max} + M_{\min}}{2} = \frac{1 + 0.25M}{2} = \frac{1.25M}{2} = 0.625M$$

Based on Modified Goodman theory of fatigue failure

$$\frac{\sigma_a}{S_e} + \frac{\sigma_m}{S_{ut}} = \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{for infinite life}$$

Or based on Soderberg approach

$$\frac{\sigma_a}{S_e} + \frac{\sigma_m}{S_y} = \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{for infinite life}$$

In both cases

$$\sigma_a = K_i \frac{32M_a}{\pi d^3}$$

$$\sigma_m = K_i \frac{32M_m}{\pi d^3}$$

$$\sigma_a = 1.08 \frac{32 \times 0.375M}{\pi d^3}$$

$$\sigma_m = 1.08 \frac{32 \times 0.625M}{\pi d^3}$$

$$\sigma_a = \underline{\underline{1.222 \times 10^9 M}} \quad (N/m^2) \quad \sigma_m = \underline{\underline{2.037 \times 10^9 M}} \quad (N/m^2)$$

$$(M \text{ in } N \cdot m)$$

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$$S_e = k_a \times k_b \times k_c \times k_d \times S_e'$$

Where

$$S_e' = 0.5 S_{ut} \quad \text{if } S_{ut} \leq 1400 \text{ MPa}$$

$$700 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{if } S_{ut} \geq 1400 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_e' = 700 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{since } S_{ut} = 2045 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{for music wires From Ex. 5}$$

$$k_a = 0.63 \quad k_b = 1.0$$

$$k_c = 0.868 \quad k_d = 1.0$$

$k_e$  = is not used since  $K_i$  is used,  $\sigma$  is increased.

$$S_e = 0.63 \times 1.0 \times 0.868 \times 1.0 \times 700$$

$$S_e = \underline{\underline{383 \text{ MPa}}}$$

$S_e$  = endurance limit at the critical location of a machine part in the geometry and condition of use.

$S_{se}$  = endurance limit strength in shear with reliability life, temperature and stress concentration factor.

i) Based on Modified Goodman theory of fatigue failure

$$\frac{\sigma_a}{S_e} + \frac{\sigma_m}{S_{ut}} = \frac{1}{n} \qquad \frac{1.222 \times 10^9 M}{383 \times 10^6} + \frac{2.037 \times 10^9 M}{2045 \times 10^6} = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$M = \underline{\underline{0.239}} \text{ (N} \cdot \text{m)}$$

ii) Based on Soderberg approach of fatigue failure

$$\frac{\sigma_a}{S_e} + \frac{\sigma_m}{S_y} = \frac{1}{n} \qquad \frac{1.222 \times 10^9 M}{383 \times 10^6} + \frac{2.037 \times 10^9 M}{1534 \times 10^6} = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$M = \underline{\underline{0.221}} \text{ (N} \cdot \text{m)}$$

# 5.13 FATIGUE LOADING

While LEWIS equation is used for static bending stress calculation AGMA equation is used for fatigue condition and gives the bending stress in tooth root under a force of  $W_t$  acting tangent to the pitch circle and including effects of stress concentration ( $J$ ).

For a fatigue-free safe operation the bending stress ( $\sigma$ ) obtained from AGMA equation should be compared with the endurance strength ( $S_e$ ) of the gear material with a global safety factor  $n_G$ , that is;

$$S_e = k_a \cdot k_b \cdot k_c \cdot k_d \cdot k_e \cdot k_f \times S_e'$$

relb. factor
temp. factor
str. con. factor
misc. factor

surface factor
size factor
temp. factor
str. con. factor
misc. factor

$$\sigma = \frac{W_t}{F \times m \times J \times K_v} \leq S_e / n_G$$

For Steels:

$$S_e' = 0.5S_{ut} \quad \text{If } S_{ut} \leq 1400 \text{ MPa}$$

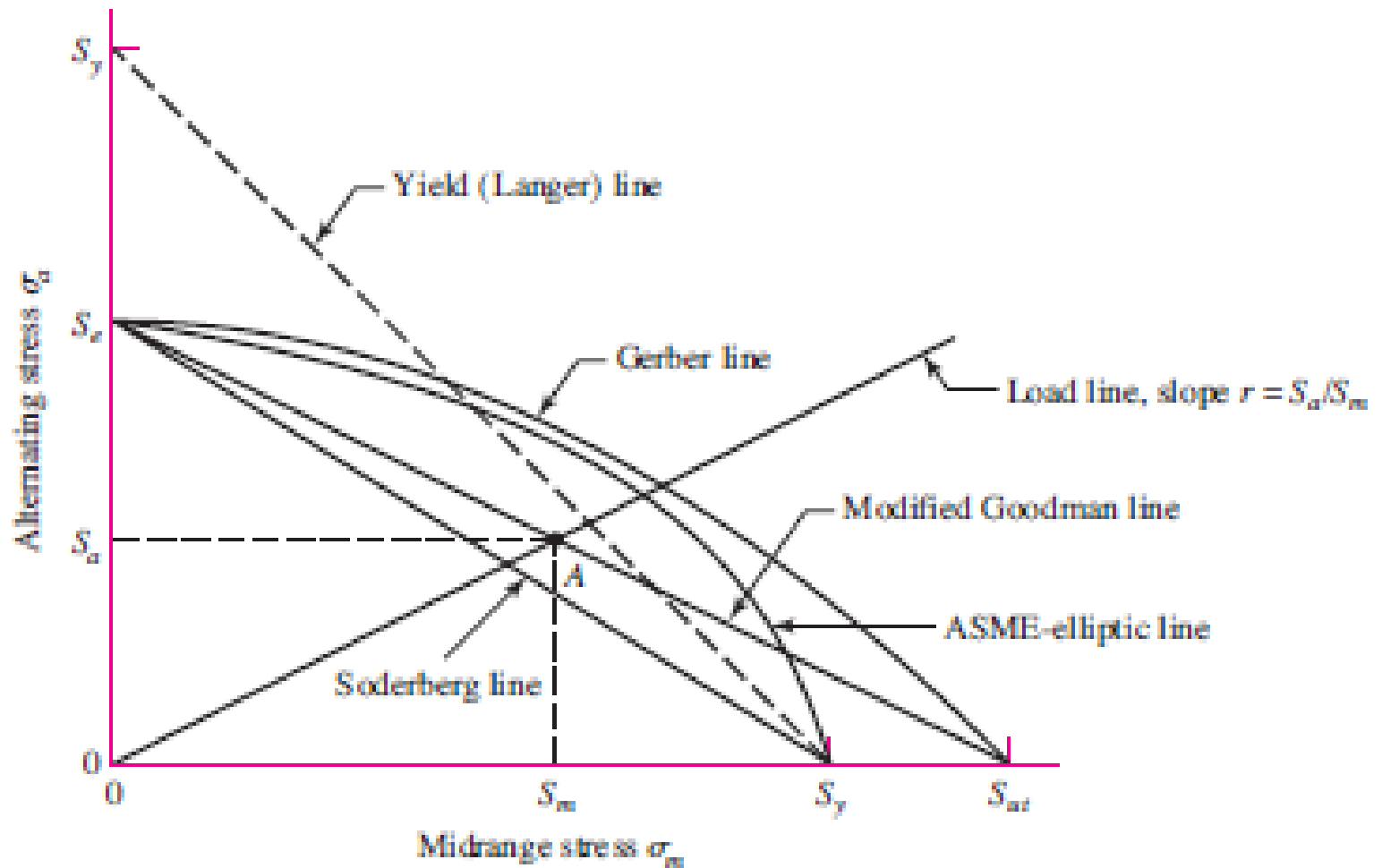
$$S_e' = 700 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{If } S_{ut} > 1400 \text{ MPa}$$

For Cast Irons:

$$S_e' = 0.45S_{ut} \quad \text{If } S_{ut} \leq 600 \text{ MPa}$$

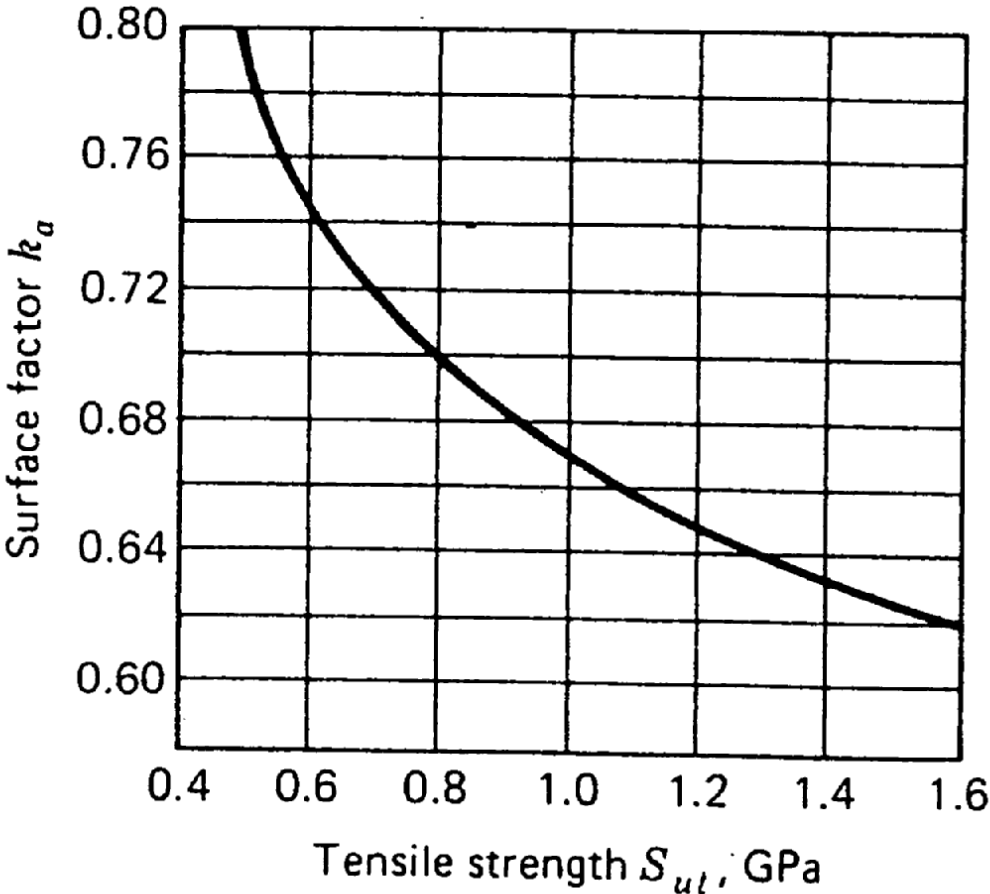
$$S_e' = 275 \text{ MPa} \quad \text{If } S_{ut} > 600 \text{ MPa}$$





**Figure 6–27** Fatigue diagram showing various criteria of failure. For each criterion, points on or “above” the respective line indicate failure. Some point *A* on the Goodman line, for example, gives the strength  $S_m$  as the limiting value of  $\sigma_m$  corresponding to the strength  $S_a$ , which, paired with  $\sigma_m$ , is the limiting value of  $\sigma_a$ .

Surface finish: for factor  $k_a$ , use machined surface always since the tooth root is always in machined or cast form even if the tooth flank is ground.



If the gear material is Cast Iron  
The  $S_e'$  values given in Table A-21 are fully corrected for surface factors ( $k_a$ ), thus use  $k_a=1$  but not corrected for other factors.

**Figure 13–25** Surface finish factors  $k_a$  for cut, shaved and ground gear teeth.

Size: The size factor, from eq. (7.16) is

$$k_b = \begin{cases} 1 & d \leq 8 \text{ mm} \\ 1.189d^{-0.097} & 8 \text{ mm} < d \leq 250 \text{ mm} \end{cases} \quad (7.16) \quad (\text{a})$$

For factor  $k_b$ , Eq. 7-16 is generally used but, in this equation the dimension  $d$  is the diameter of a round specimen. A spur gear tooth has a rectangular cross section and so the method of Sec. 7-7 must be used to get an equivalent value for  $d$ . For a rectangular cross section the formula for the equivalent diameter is

$$d = 0.808(hb)^{1/2} \quad (\text{b})$$

where  $h$  is the height of the section and  $b$  is the width. For a gear tooth  $h$  is the tooth thickness which is about half the circular pitch. And  $b$  is the face with  $F$ . Substituting  $h = p/2$  and  $F = 3p$  in Eq. (b) and solving gives

$$d_{eq} \cong p = \pi m \quad (\text{c})$$

Thus we can use these three equations to work out a set of size factors based on the module.

By using different module values  $h$  and  $b$  were determined and then  $k_b$  values were calculated. The results for  $k_b$  were then simply tabulated in Table 13-7 for different modules, and  $k_b$  values are taken from Table 13-7.

**Table 13-7** SIZE FACTORS FOR SPUR-GEAR  
TEETH (Preferred modules in bold face)

Module $m$	Factor $k_b$	Module $m$	Factor $k_b$
1 to 2	1.000	11	0.843
2.25	0.984	<b>12</b>	0.836
<b>2.5</b>	0.974	14	0.824
2.75	0.965	<b>16</b>	0.813
<b>3</b>	0.956	18	0.804
3.5	0.942	<b>20</b>	0.796
<b>4</b>	0.930	22	0.788
4.5	0.920	<b>25</b>	0.779
5	0.910	28	0.770
5.5	0.902	<b>32</b>	0.760
<b>6</b>	0.894	36	0.752
7	0.881	<b>40</b>	0.744
<b>8</b>	0.870	45	0.736
9	0.860	<b>50</b>	0.728
<b>10</b>	0.851		

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