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List of 13 Strength and Stress Formulas

Strength and Stress

1) Bending Stress in Cotter of Cotter Joint

$$fx \quad \sigma_b = \left(3 \cdot \frac{L}{t_c \cdot b^2} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{d_2 + 2 \cdot d_4}{12} \right)$$

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$$ex \quad 49.48376 \text{N/mm}^2 = \left(3 \cdot \frac{50000 \text{N}}{21.478 \text{mm} \cdot (48.5 \text{mm})^2} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{40 \text{mm} + 2 \cdot 80 \text{mm}}{12} \right)$$

2) Compressive Stress in Socket of Cotter Joint given Diameter of Spigot and of Socket Collar

$$fx \quad \sigma_{cso} = \frac{L}{(d_4 - d_2) \cdot t_c}$$

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$$ex \quad 58.19909 \text{N/mm}^2 = \frac{50000 \text{N}}{(80 \text{mm} - 40 \text{mm}) \cdot 21.478 \text{mm}}$$

3) Compressive Stress in Spigot of Cotter Joint Considering Crushing Failure

$$fx \quad \sigma_{c1} = \frac{L}{t_c \cdot d_2}$$

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$$ex \quad 58.19909 \text{N/mm}^2 = \frac{50000 \text{N}}{21.478 \text{mm} \cdot 40 \text{mm}}$$




4) Compressive Stress of Spigot 

$$fx \quad \sigma_{cp} = \frac{L}{t_c \cdot D_s}$$

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$$ex \quad 46.55927N/mm^2 = \frac{50000N}{21.478mm \cdot 50.0mm}$$

5) Permissible Shear Stress for Cotter 

$$fx \quad \tau_p = \frac{P}{2 \cdot b \cdot t_c}$$

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$$ex \quad 719988.7N/m^2 = \frac{1500N}{2 \cdot 48.5mm \cdot 21.478mm}$$

6) Permissible Shear Stress for Spigot 

$$fx \quad \tau_p = \frac{P}{2 \cdot a \cdot d_{ex}}$$

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$$ex \quad 957854.4N/m^2 = \frac{1500N}{2 \cdot 17.4mm \cdot 45mm}$$

7) Shear Stress in Cotter given Cotter Thickness and Width 

$$fx \quad \tau_{co} = \frac{L}{2 \cdot t_c \cdot b}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 23.99962N/mm^2 = \frac{50000N}{2 \cdot 21.478mm \cdot 48.5mm}$$



8) Shear Stress in Socket of Cotter Joint given Inner and Outer Diameter of Socket



$$fx \quad \tau_{so} = \frac{L}{2 \cdot (d_4 - d_2) \cdot c}$$

Open Calculator

$$ex \quad 25\text{N/mm}^2 = \frac{50000\text{N}}{2 \cdot (80\text{mm} - 40\text{mm}) \cdot 25.0\text{mm}}$$

9) Shear Stress in Spigot of Cotter Joint given Diameter of Spigot and Load

$$fx \quad \tau_{sp} = \frac{L}{2 \cdot L_a \cdot d_2}$$

Open Calculator

$$ex \quad 26.59574\text{N/mm}^2 = \frac{50000\text{N}}{2 \cdot 23.5\text{mm} \cdot 40\text{mm}}$$

10) Tensile Stress in Rod of Cotter Joint

$$fx \quad \sigma_{trod} = \frac{4 \cdot L}{\pi \cdot d^2}$$

Open Calculator

$$ex \quad 49.99939\text{N/mm}^2 = \frac{4 \cdot 50000\text{N}}{\pi \cdot (35.6827\text{mm})^2}$$

11) Tensile Stress in Socket of Cotter Joint given Outer and Inner Diameter of Socket

$$fx \quad (\sigma_{tso}) = \frac{L}{\frac{\pi}{4} \cdot (d_1^2 - d_2^2) - t_c \cdot (d_1 - d_2)}$$

Open Calculator

$$ex \quad 68.22288\text{N/mm}^2 = \frac{50000\text{N}}{\frac{\pi}{4} \cdot ((54\text{mm})^2 - (40\text{mm})^2) - 21.478\text{mm} \cdot (54\text{mm} - 40\text{mm})}$$




12) Tensile Stress in Spigot 

$$\text{fx } \sigma_t = \frac{P}{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \cdot d_{\text{ex}}^2\right) - (d_{\text{ex}} \cdot t_c)}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 2.404149\text{N/mm}^2 = \frac{1500\text{N}}{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \cdot (45\text{mm})^2\right) - (45\text{mm} \cdot 21.478\text{mm})}$$

13) Tensile Stress in Spigot of Cotter Joint given Diameter of Spigot, Thickness of Cotter and Load 

$$\text{fx } (\sigma_{t\text{sp}}) = \frac{L}{\frac{\pi \cdot d_2^2}{4} - d_2 \cdot t_c}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 125.7808\text{N/mm}^2 = \frac{50000\text{N}}{\frac{\pi \cdot (40\text{mm})^2}{4} - 40\text{mm} \cdot 21.478\text{mm}}$$



Variables Used





- **a** Spigot Distance (Millimeter)
- **b** Mean Width of Cotter (Millimeter)
- **c** Axial Distance From Slot to End of Socket Collar (Millimeter)
- **d** Diameter of Rod of Cotter Joint (Millimeter)
- **d₁** Outside Diameter of Socket (Millimeter)
- **d₂** Diameter of Spigot (Millimeter)
- **d₄** Diameter of Socket Collar (Millimeter)
- **d_{ex}** External Diameter of Spigot (Millimeter)
- **D_s** Spigot Diameter (Millimeter)
- **L** Load on Cotter Joint (Newton)
- **L_a** Gap between End of Slot to End of Spigot (Millimeter)
- **P** Tensile Force on Rods (Newton)
- **t_c** Thickness of Cotter (Millimeter)
- **σ_b** Bending Stress in Cotter (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **σ_{c1}** Compressive Stress in Spigot (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **σ_{cp}** Stress in Spigot (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **σ_{cso}** Compressive Stress In Socket (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **σ_t** Tensile Stress (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **σ_{tso}** Tensile Stress In Socket (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **σ_{tsp}** Tensile Stress In Spigot (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **σ_{trod}** Tensile Stress in Cotter Joint Rod (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **τ_{co}** Shear Stress in Cotter (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **τ_{so}** Shear Stress in Socket (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- **τ_{sp}** Shear Stress in Spigot (Newton per Square Millimeter)



- τ_p **Permissible Shear Stress** (*Newton per Square Meter*)



Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Constant:** **pi**, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Millimeter (mm)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Pressure** in Newton per Square Meter (N/m²)
Pressure Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Force** in Newton (N)
Force Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Stress** in Newton per Square Millimeter (N/mm²)
Stress Unit Conversion 



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