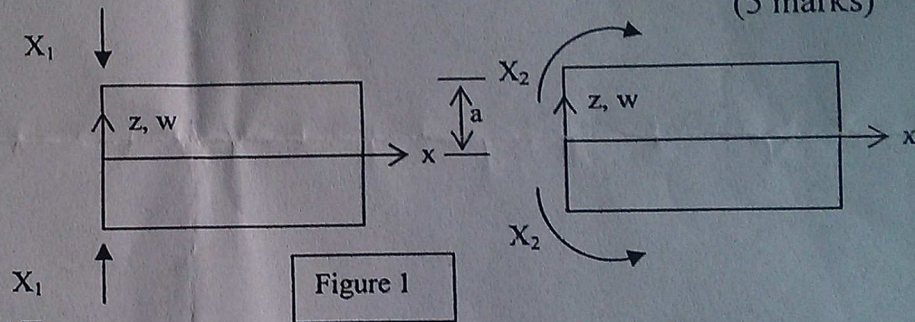


- Based on theory of shells, obtain the complete solutions of the radial displacement 'w', meridional moment 'M_x', circumferential moment 'M_θ', radial shear force Q_x and tangential (circumferential) normal force 'N_θ' for a circular cylindrical pressure vessel fabricated as a thin cylindrical steel shell of mean radius 'a', height 'L' and shell thickness 't' with fixed thick liners (rigid diaphragms) at both ends (fixed end conditions). The pressure vessel contains a gas with a uniform internal pressure p₀ and is installed with its longitudinal axis aligned vertically. Consider the self-weight of the shell (unit weight γ_s) and uniform internal pressure to derive the complete analytical solutions in a closed form (in terms of x, a, t, L, E, λ, ν, γ_s and p₀). Some useful formulae are given below. (15 marks)
- For an uniform internal pressure p₀ = 45 kN/m², a mean radius a = 1 m, shell thickness t = 25 mm and height L = 4 m, (i) determine, using the analytical solution obtained above, the numerical values of the meridional moment 'M_x', and circumferential normal force 'N_θ' at the lower end of the shell. (ii) Calculate the numerical value of 'M_x' at mid-height of the shell and express this value as a fraction of 'M_x' at the lower end of the shell. Assume unit weight of steel γ_s = 77 kN/m³, Poisson's ratio ν = 0.15 and elastic modulus E_s = 2 × 10⁵ MPa (5 marks)



SOME USEFUL FORMULAE:

Bending Solution in a cylindrical shell due to edge force X₁ and edge moment X₂ (Fig. 1)

$$M_x = \frac{-X_1 a}{\lambda} \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a}\right)$$

$$M_x = \sqrt{2} X_2 \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$Q_x = -\sqrt{2} X_1 \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$Q_x = -\frac{\sqrt{2} X_2 \lambda}{a} \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a}\right)$$

$$N_\theta = -2 X_1 \lambda \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a}\right)$$

$$N_\theta = \frac{-2\sqrt{2} X_2 \lambda^2}{a} \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

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$$w = -\frac{X_1 a^3}{2K\lambda^3} \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a}\right)$$

$$w = \frac{-X_2 a^2}{\sqrt{2}K\lambda^2} \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\frac{dw}{dx} = \frac{X_1 a^2}{\sqrt{2}K\lambda^2} \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\frac{dw}{dx} = \frac{X_2 a}{K\lambda} \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\lambda x}{a} - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

where, $K = \frac{Et^3}{12(1-\nu^2)}$;

$$\lambda^4 = 3(1-\nu^2) \frac{a^2}{t^2}$$