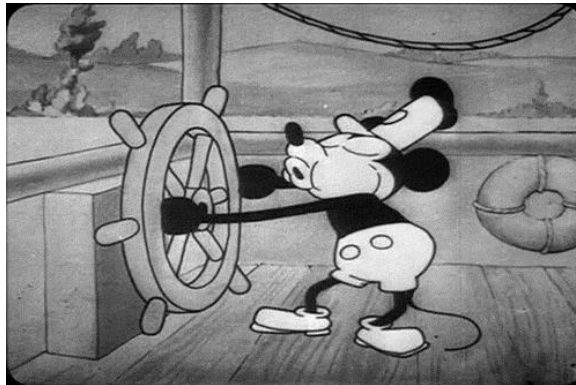


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Lecture 05:
Unit 4: designing a connector
based on stress criteria

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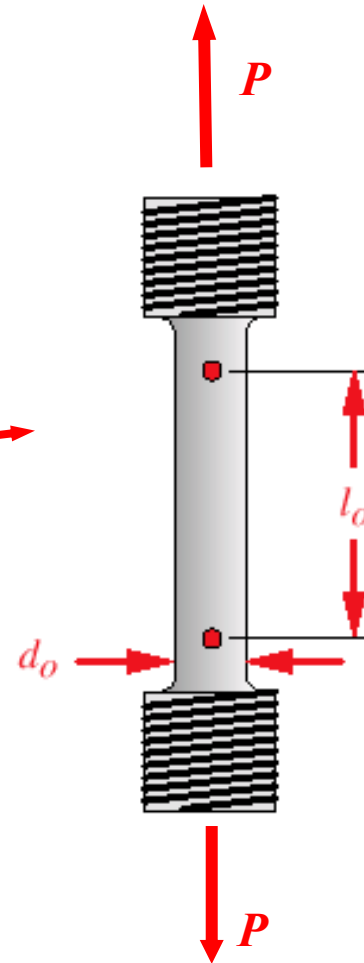
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Average normal stress in an axially loaded bar

Tensile test



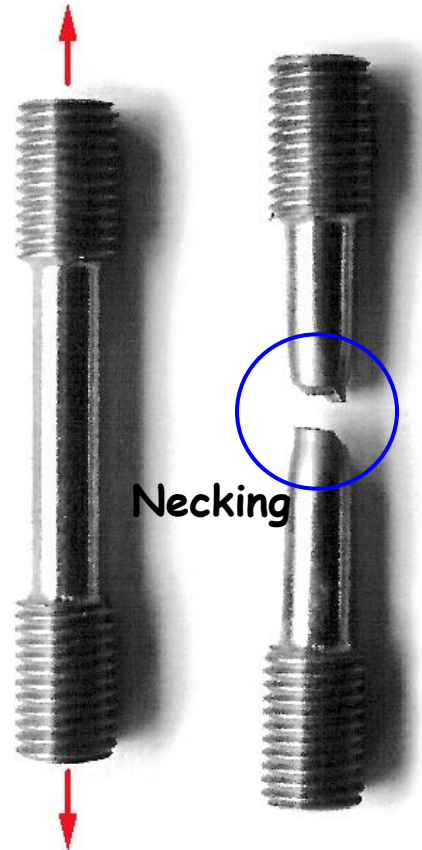
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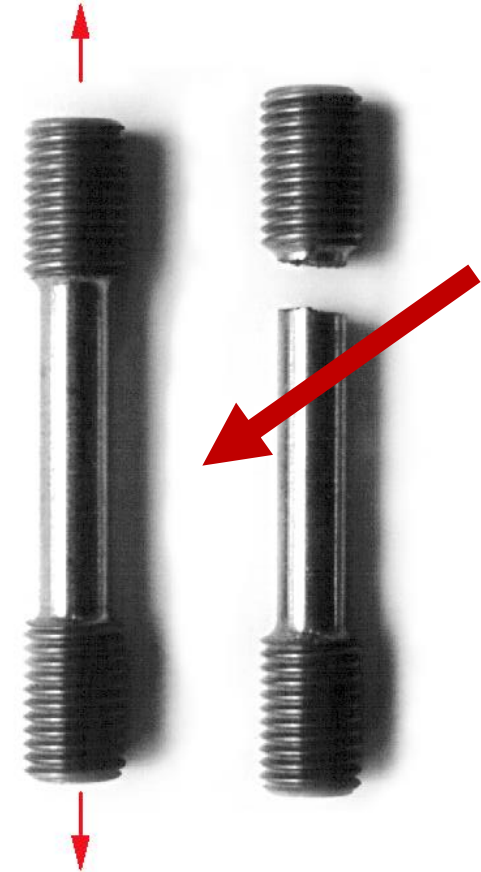


Typical results

Ductile material

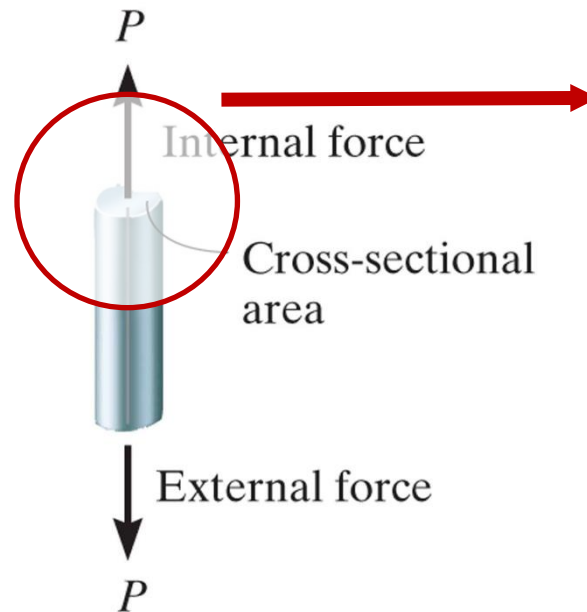
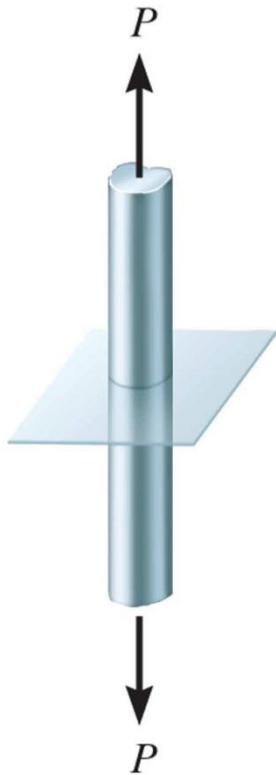


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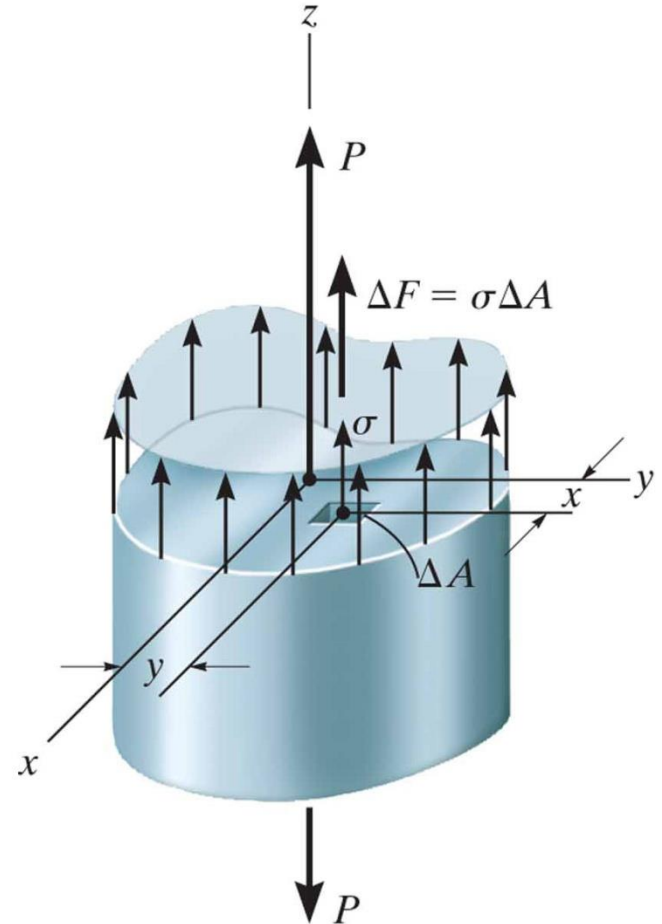


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Bar subjected to axial load

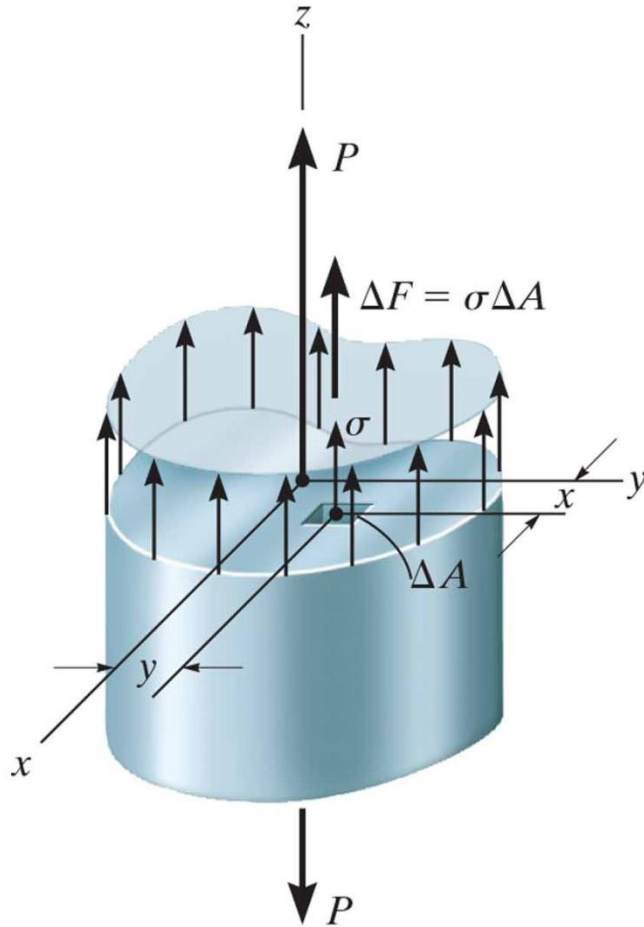


Internal distribution of forces



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$$+\uparrow F_{Rz} = \sum F_z$$

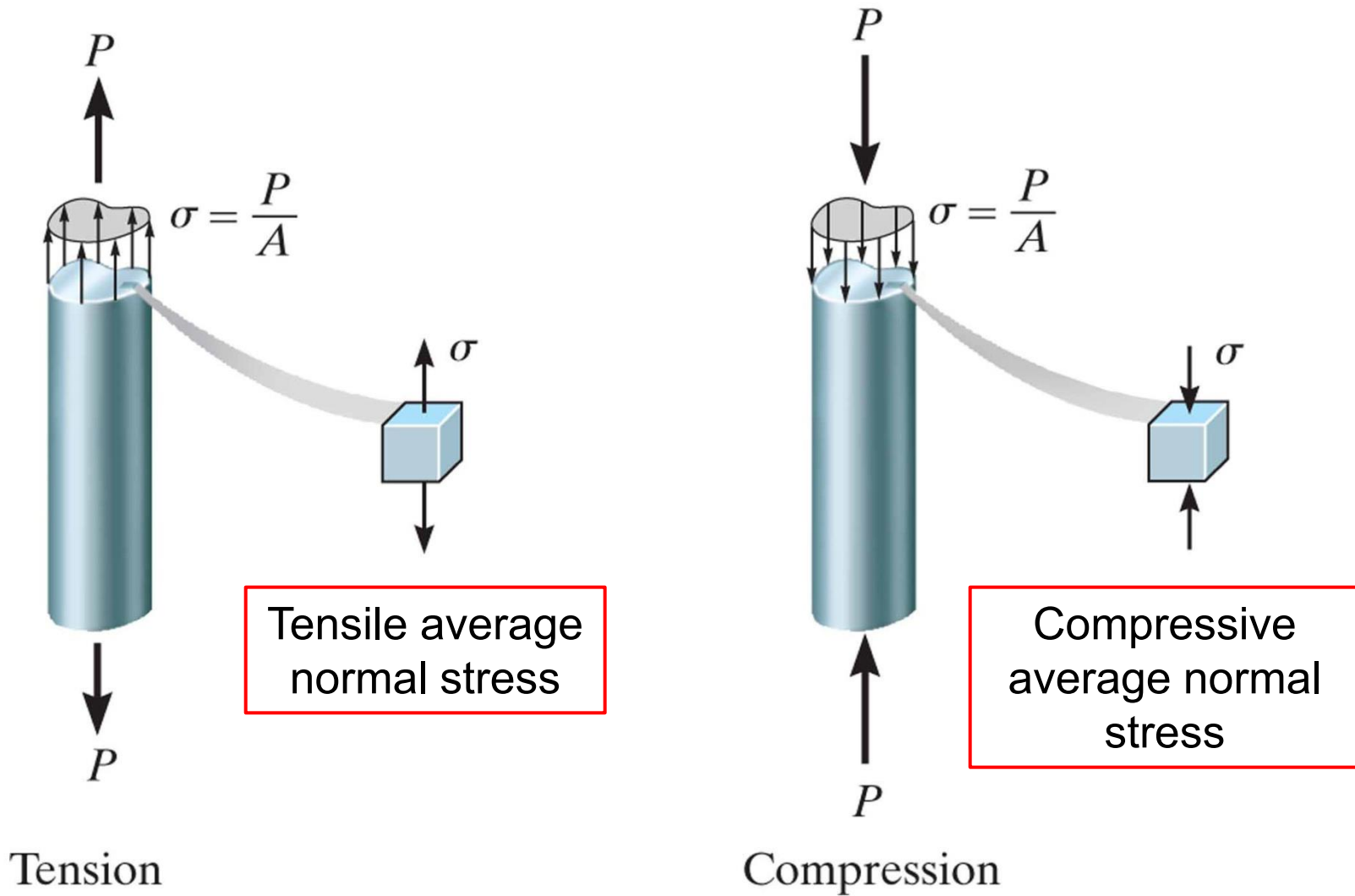
$$\int dF = \int_A \sigma dA$$
$$P = \sigma A$$

Average normal stress:

$$\sigma = \frac{P}{A}$$



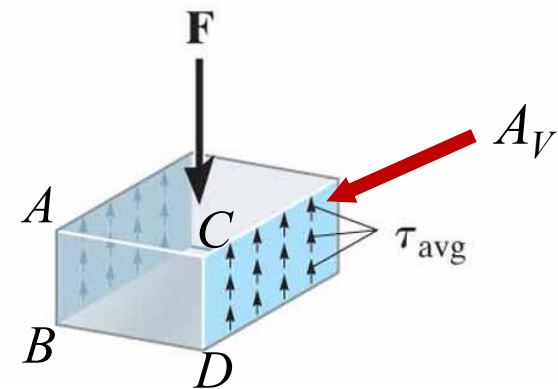
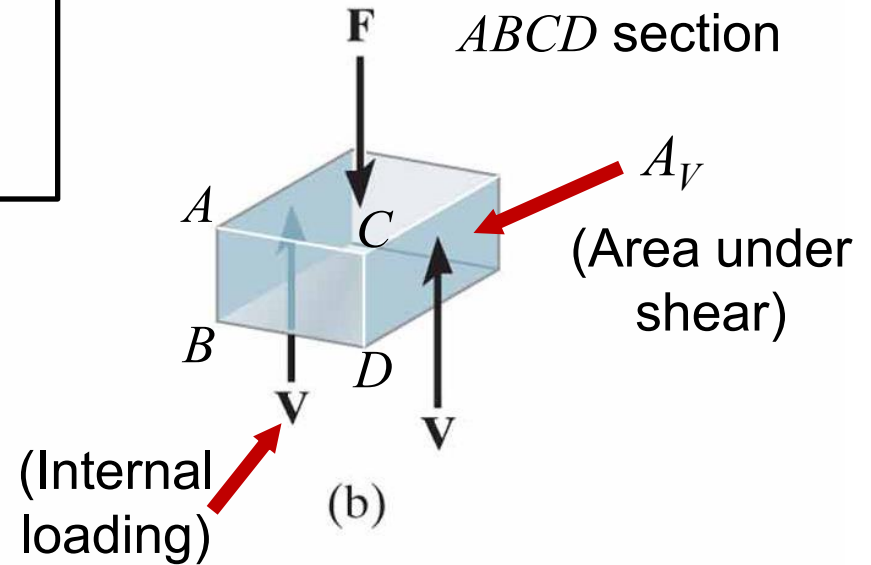
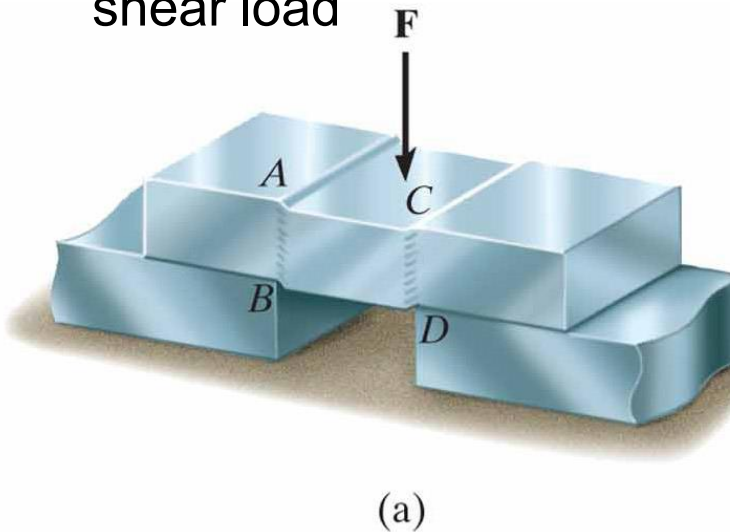
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Average shear stress

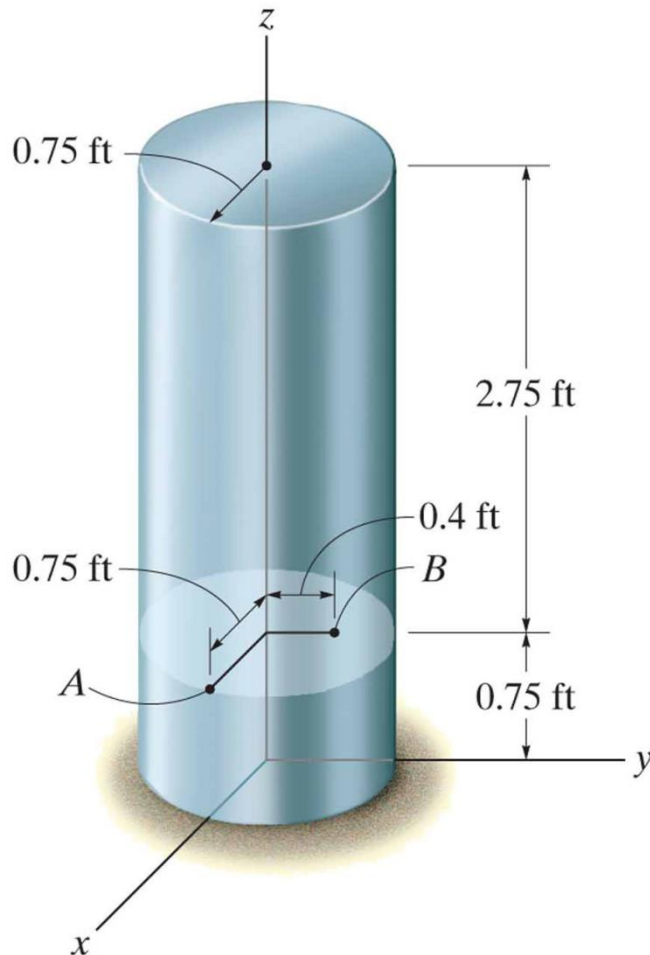
$$\tau_{avg} = \frac{V}{A_V}$$

Bar subjected to shear load



Average **normal** stress: example A

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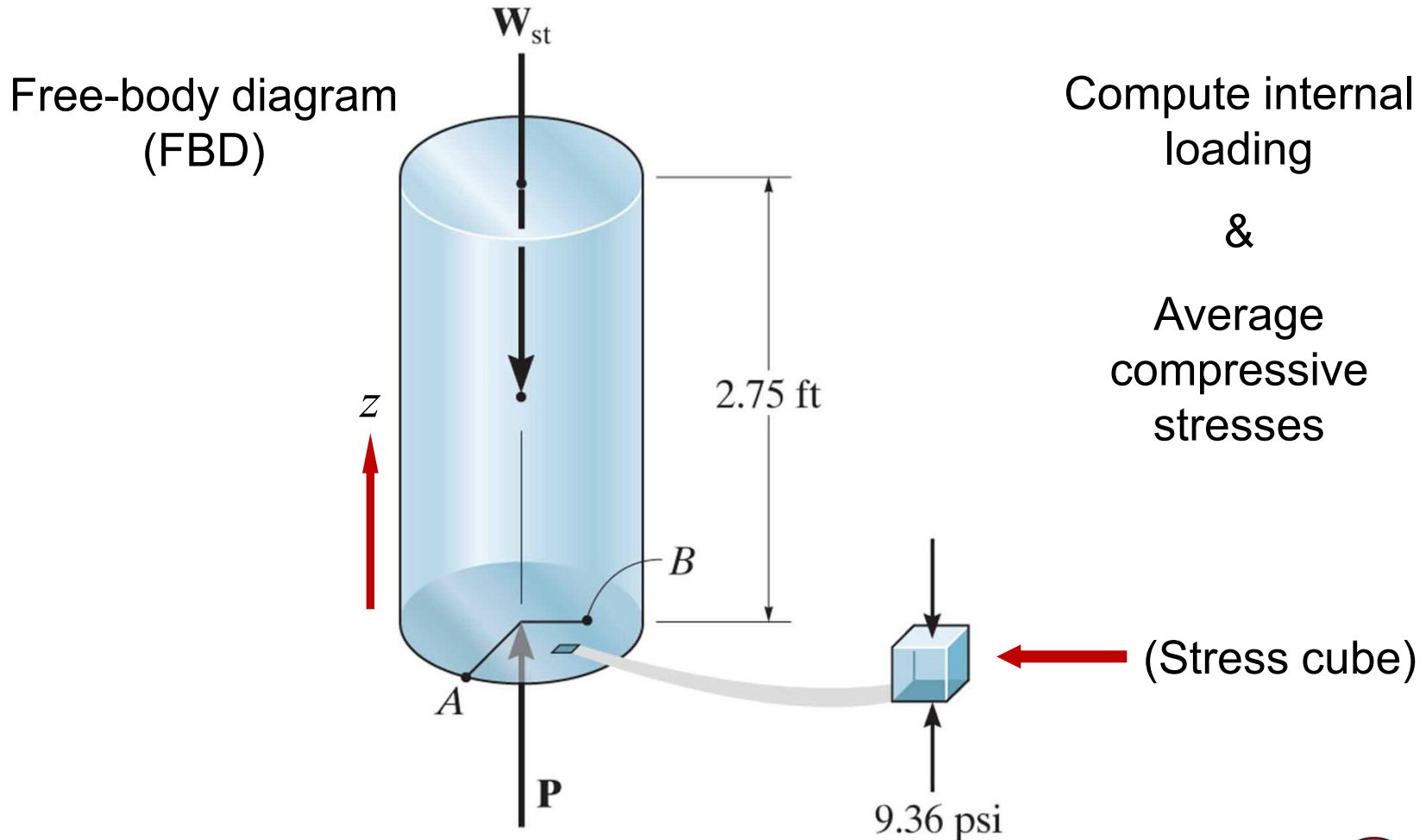
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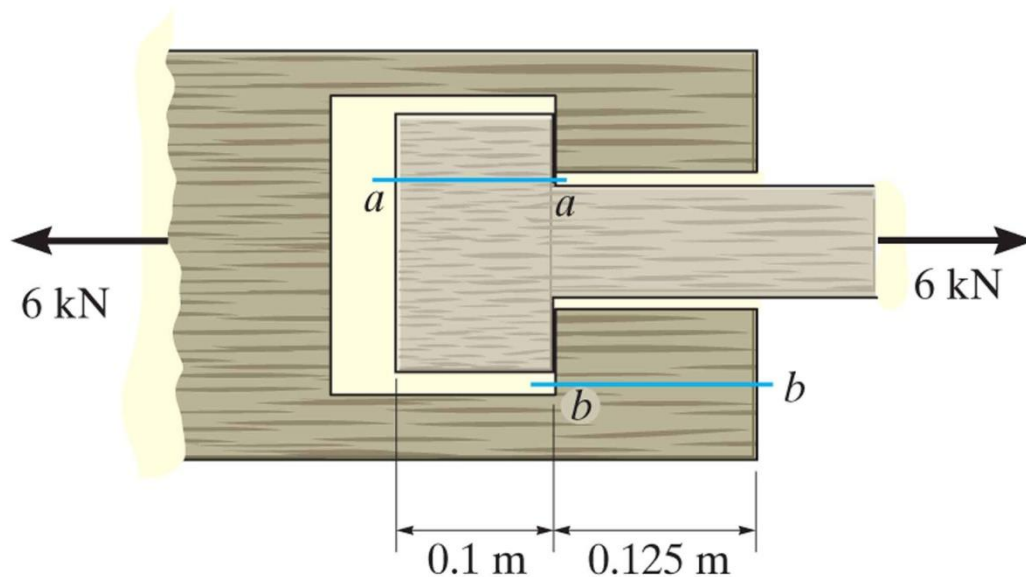


Average **shear** stress: example B

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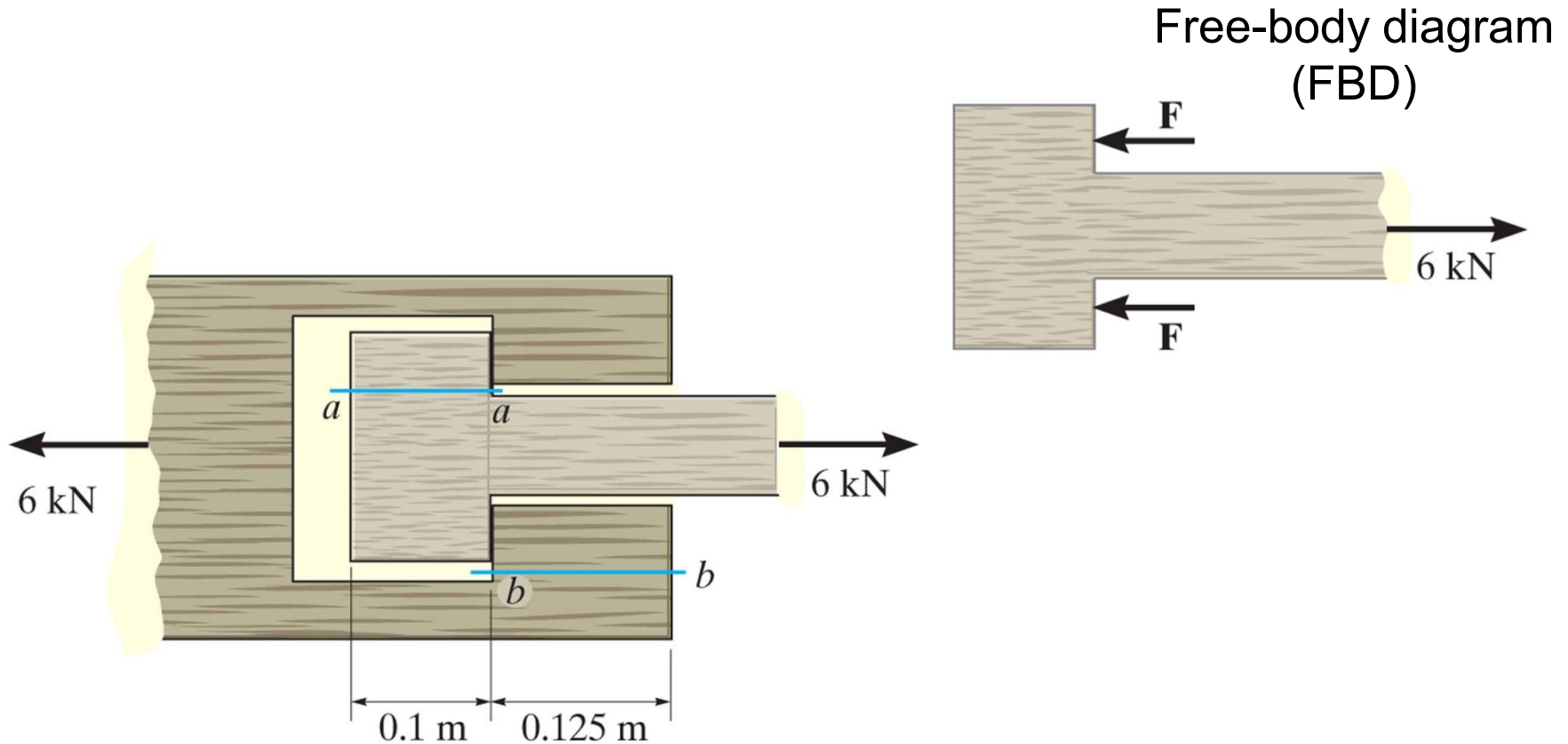
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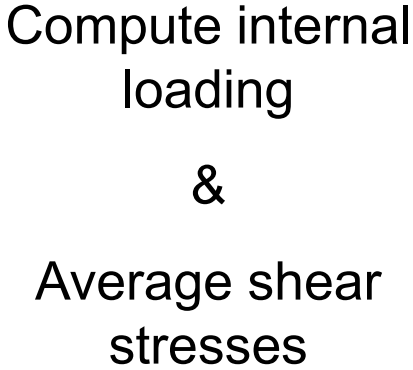


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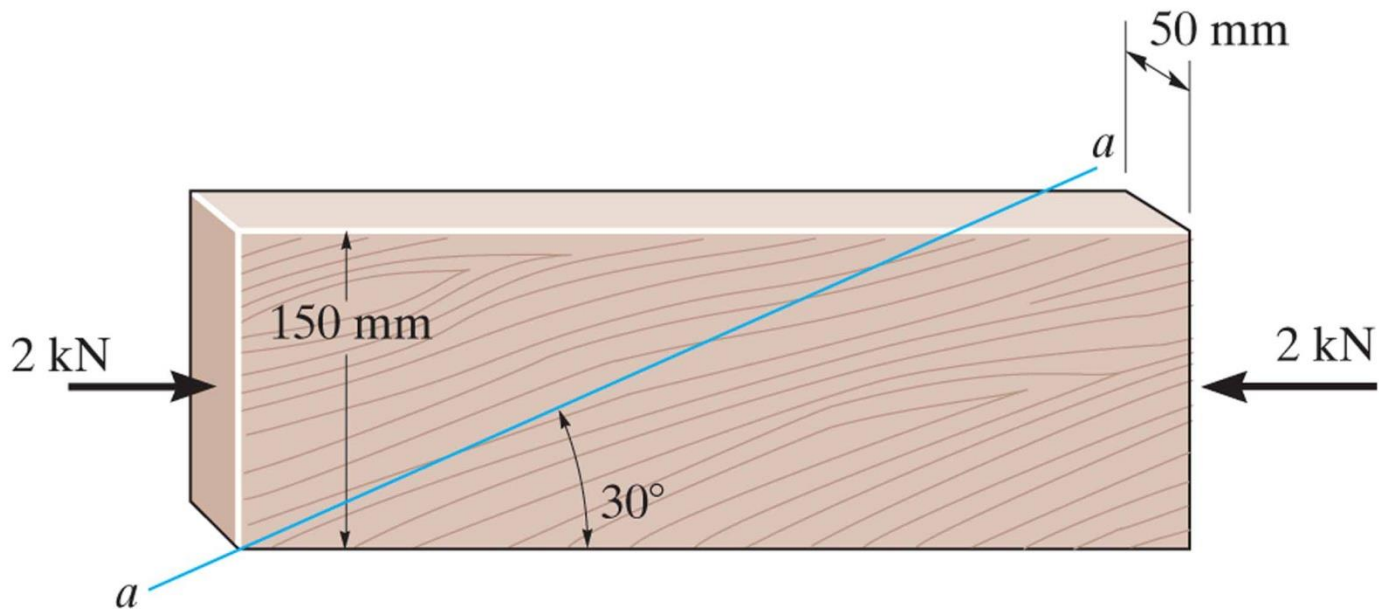


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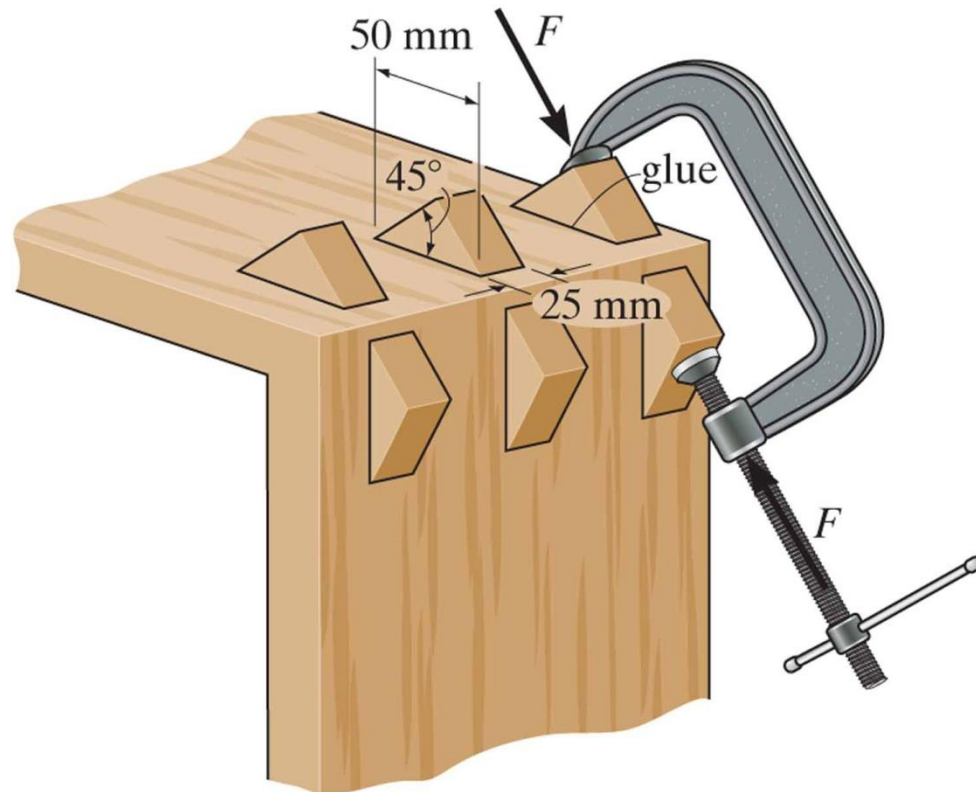
Average **normal** + **shear** stress: example C

The block is subjected to a compressive force of 2 kN. Determine the average normal and average shear stress developed in the wood fibers that are oriented along section $a-a$ at 30° with the axis of the block



Average **normal** + **shear** stress: example D

The triangular blocks are glued along each side of the joint. A C-clamp placed between two of the blocks is used to draw the joint tight. If the clamping force is $F = 900 \text{ N}$, determine the average normal and shear stresses developed in the glued shear plane.



Design of simple connections

Allowable stress: safety factor (SF)

$$SF = \frac{F_{fail}}{F_{allow}}$$

In terms of
forces

or

$$SF = \frac{\sigma_{fail}}{\sigma_{allow}}$$

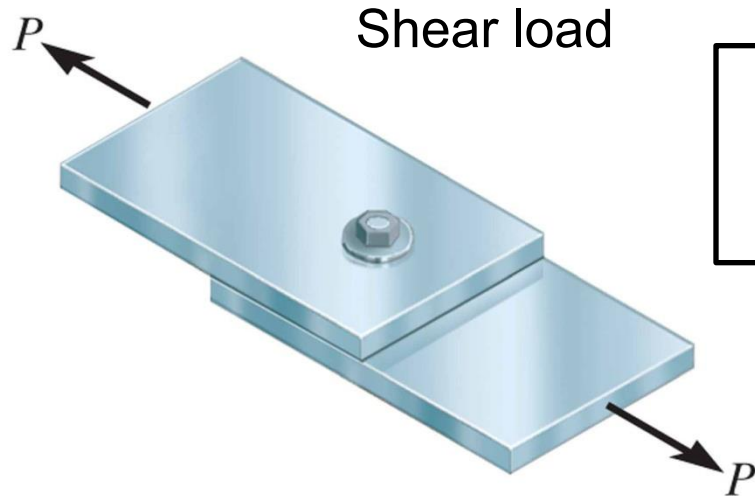
In terms of
normal stresses

$$SF = \frac{\tau_{fail}}{\tau_{allow}}$$

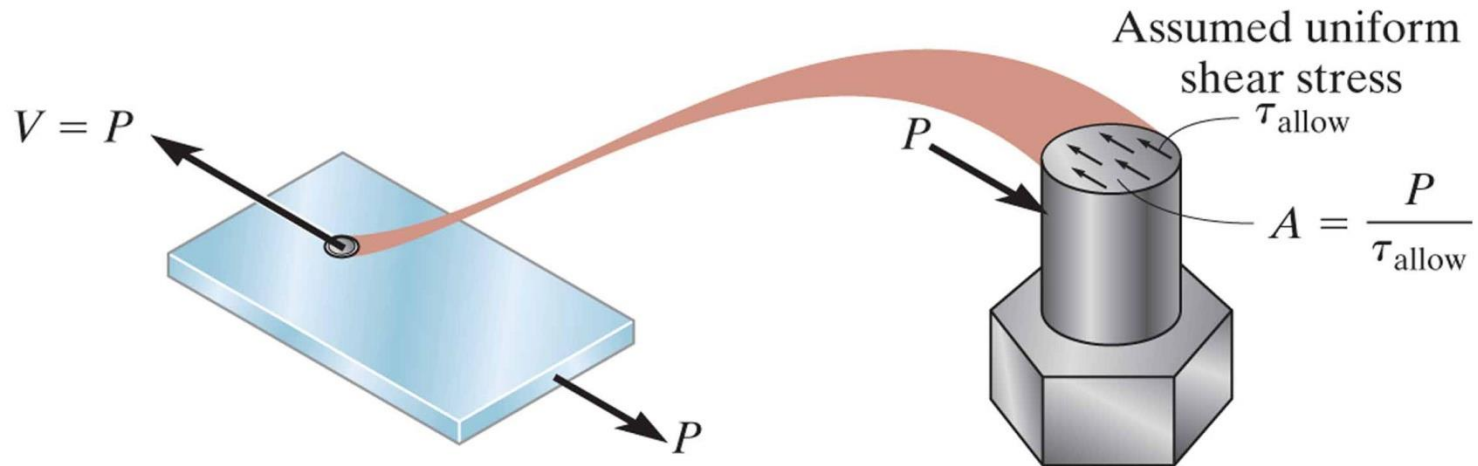
In terms of
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Design of simple connections



$$A_{bolt} = \frac{V_{applied}}{\tau_{allow}} \Rightarrow \text{bolt diameter}$$

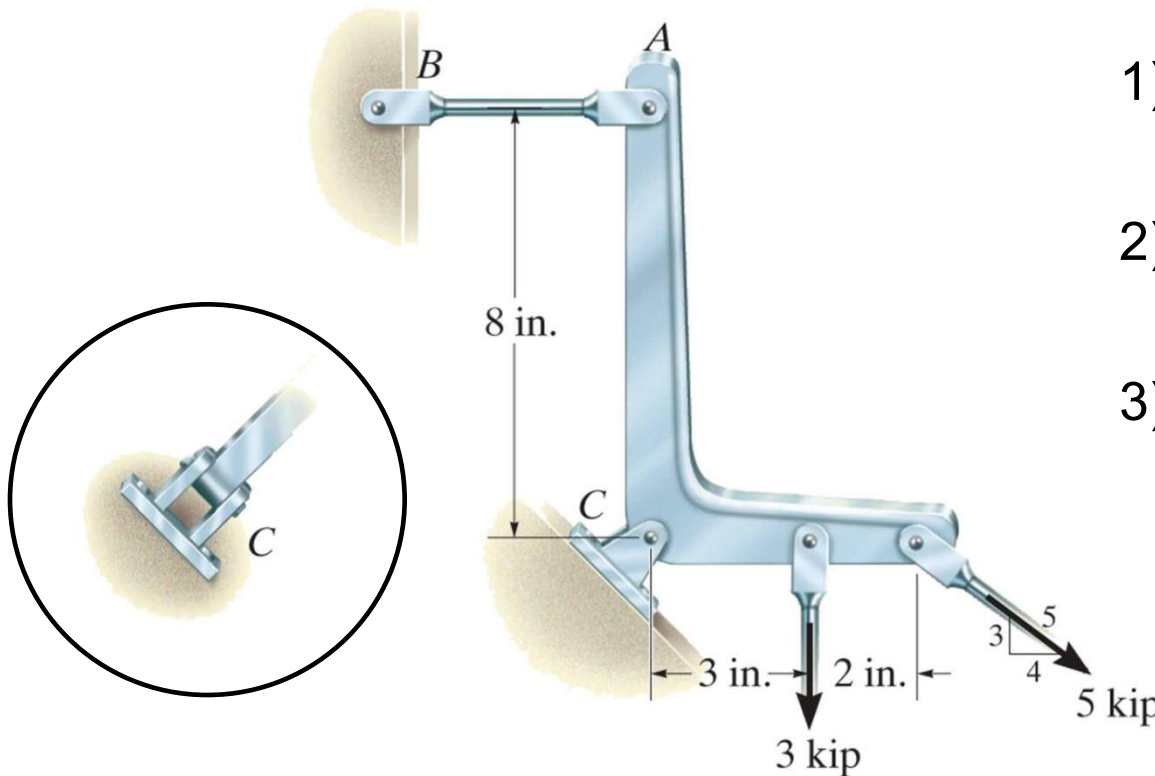


Design of simple connections: example A

The control arm is subjected to the loading shown. Determine to the nearest $\frac{1}{4}$ " the required diameter of the steel pin at C if the allowable stress for the steel is $\tau_{allow} = 8 \text{ ksi}$.

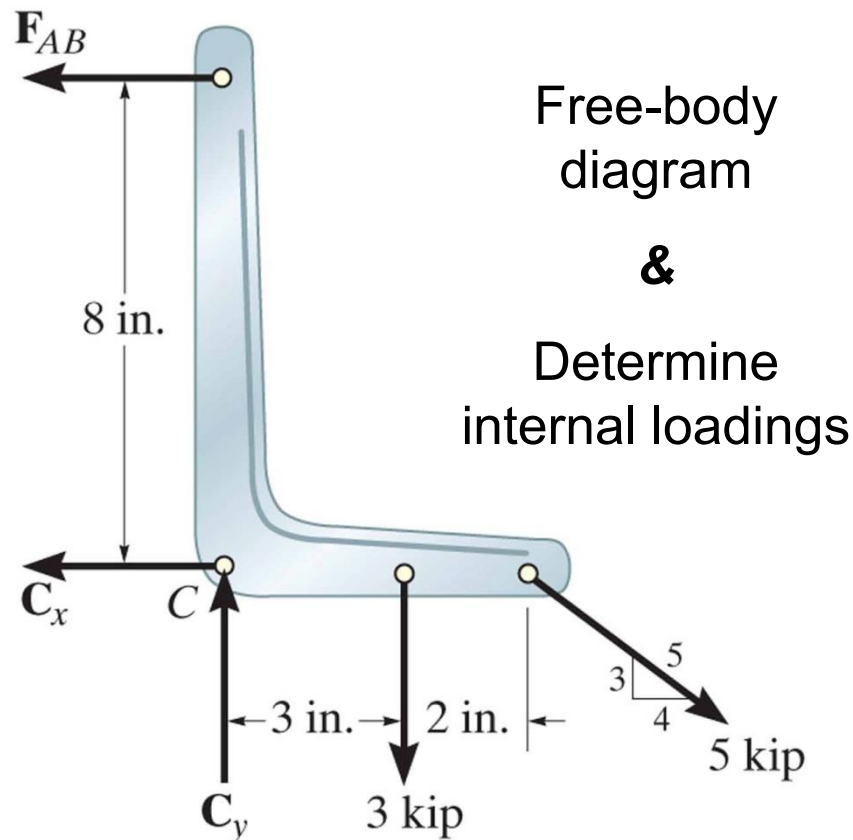
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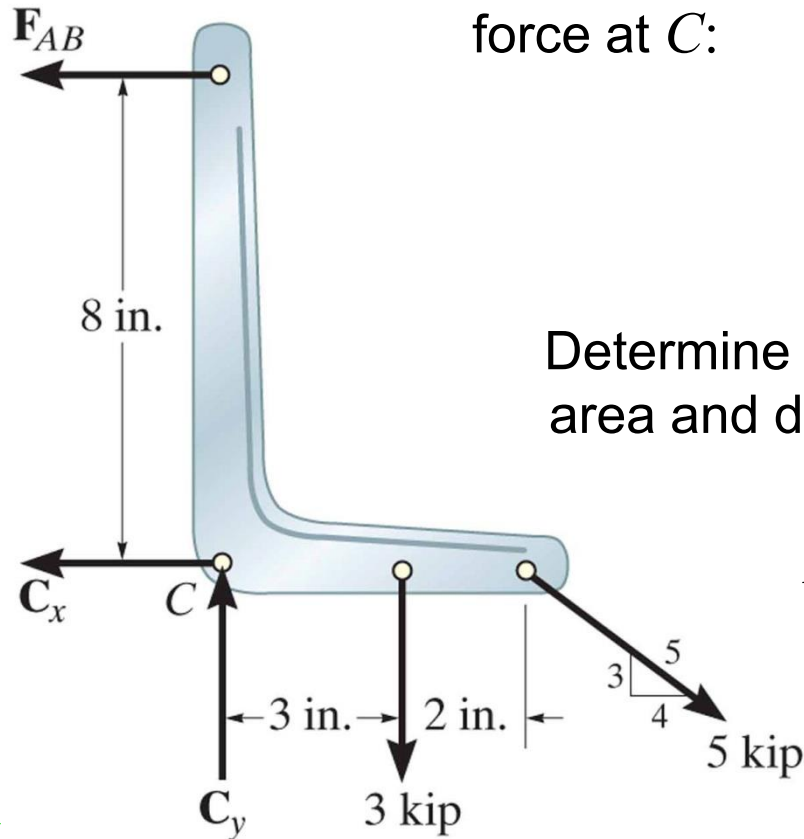
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Compute resultant

force at C :

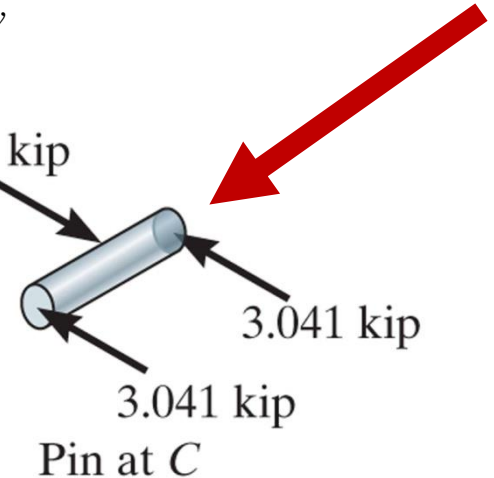
$$F_C = \sqrt{C_x^2 + C_y^2}$$



Determine required
area and diameter:

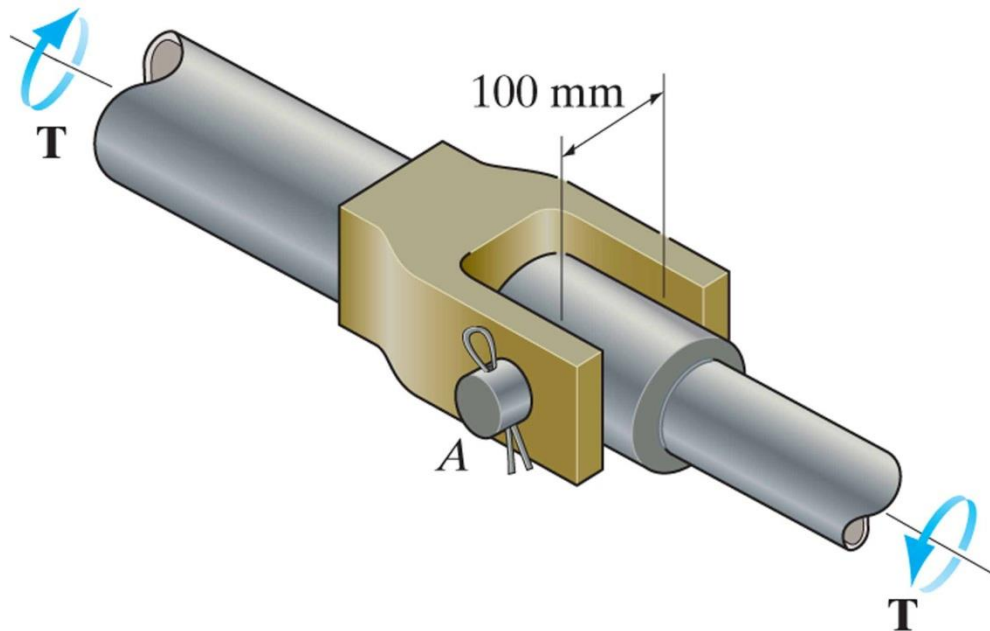
$$A_{pin} = \frac{V_{applied}}{\tau_{allow}}$$

$$F_C = 6.082 \text{ kip}$$



Design of simple connections: example B

Determine the maximum allowable torque \mathbf{T} that can be transmitted by the joint shown. Pin A has a diameter of 25 mm and it is made from a material with a failure shear stress of $\tau_{fail} = 150 \text{ MPa}$. Apply a safety factor of 3.



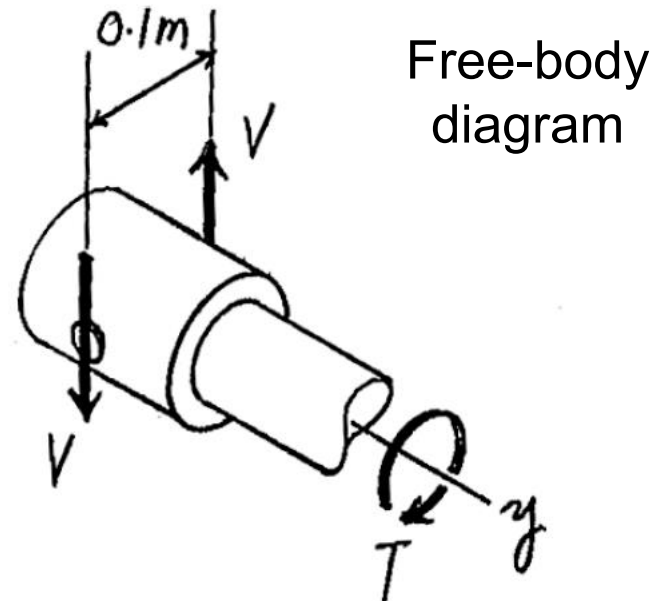
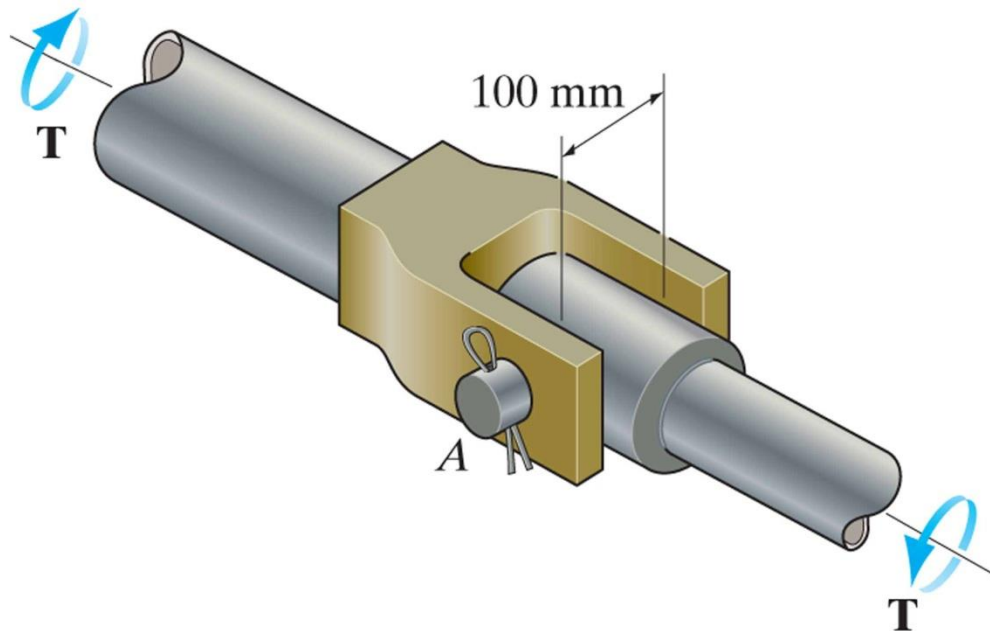
Approach:

- 1) Define free-body diagrams
- 2) Determine internal loadings
- 3) Use safety factor
- 4) Compute torque



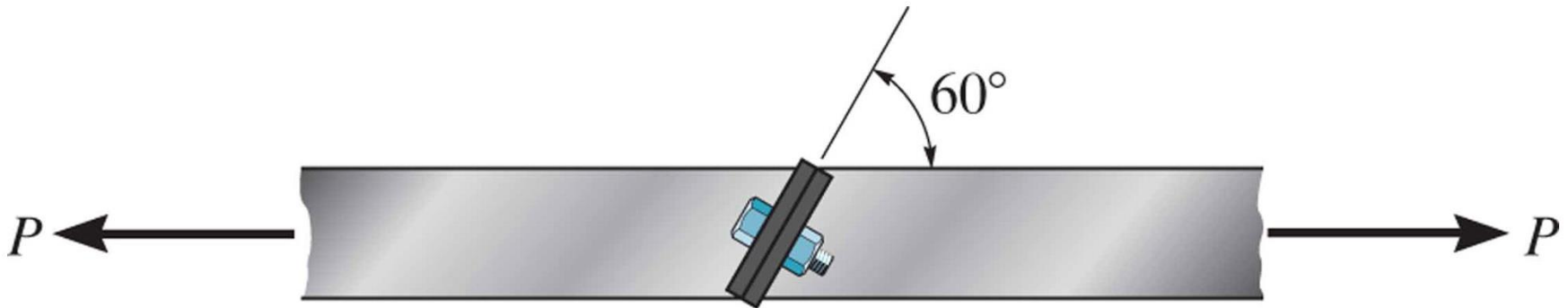
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Design of simple connections: example C

The tension member is fastened together using *two* bolts, one on each side of the member as shown. Each bolt has a diameter of 0.3 in. Determine the maximum load P that can be applied to the member if the allowable shear stress for the bolts is $\tau_{\text{allow}} = 12$ ksi and the allowable average normal stress is $\sigma_{\text{allow}} = 20$ ksi.



Reading assignment

- Chapter 1 of textbook
- Review notes and text: ES2001, ES2501



Homework assignment

- As indicated on webpage of our course

