

Chapter 9 (Mechanical Properties of Solids)

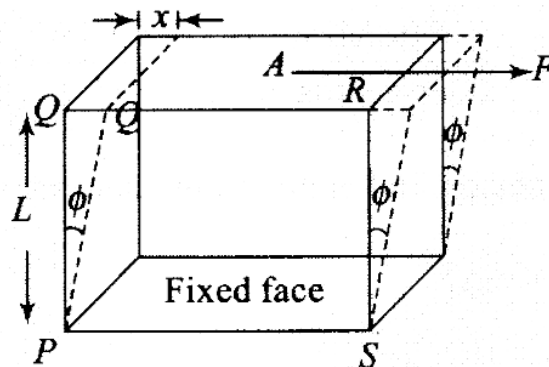
Single Correct Answer Type

Q1. Modulus of rigidity of ideal liquids is

- (a) infinity
- (b) zero
- (c) unity
- (d) some finite small non-zero constant value

Sol: (b) Key concept: Modulus of Rigidity:

Within limits of proportionality, the ratio of tangential stress to the shearing strain is called modulus of rigidity of the material of the body and is denoted by η



i.e.
$$\eta = \frac{\text{Shearing stress}}{\text{Shearing strain}}$$

In this case the shape of a body changes but its volume remains unchanged.

Consider a cube of material fixed at its lower face and acted upon by a tangential force F at its upper surface having area A .

Only solids can exhibit a shearing as these have definite shape.

In liquids, $\eta = 0$

So, the frictional (viscous) force cannot exist in case of ideal fluid and since they cannot sustain shearing stress or tangential forces are zero, so there is no stress developed.

Q2. The maximum load a wire can withstand without breaking, when its length is reduced to half of its original length, will

- (a) be double (b) be half
- (c) be four times (d) remain same

Sol: (d)

When the wire is loaded beyond the elastic limit, then strain increases much more rapidly. The maximum stress corresponding to B (see stress–strain curve) after which the wire begin to flow and breaks, is called breaking stress or tensile strength and the force by application of which the wire breaks is called the breaking force.

(i) Breaking force depends upon the area of cross-section of the wire, i.e. Breaking force $\propto A$
Breaking force = $P \times A$

Here P is a constant of proportionality and known as breaking stress.

(ii) Breaking stress is a constant for a given material and it does not depend upon the dimension (length or thickness) of wire.

(iii) If a wire of length L is cut into two or more parts, then again its each part can hold the same weight as breaking force is independent of the length of wire.

Q3. The temperature of a wire is doubled. The Young's modulus of elasticity

- (a) will also double
- (b) will become four times
- (c) will remain same
- (d) will decrease

Sol:(d)

Key concept: Young's modulus (Y)

It is defined as the ratio of normal stress to longitudinal strain within limit of proportionality.

$$Y = \frac{\text{Normal stress}}{\text{Longitudinal strain}} = \frac{F/A}{\Delta L/L} = \frac{FL}{A\Delta L}$$

The fractional change in length of any material is defined as

$$\frac{\Delta L}{L_0} = \alpha \Delta T$$

where ΔT is change in the temperature, L_0 is original length, α is the coefficient of linear expansion of the given material and L_0 is the original length of material.

So, simply change in length is due to change in temperature.

$$\Delta L = L_0 \alpha \Delta T$$

And Young's modulus

$$(Y) = \frac{\text{Stress}}{\text{Strain}} = \frac{FL_0}{A \times \Delta L} = \frac{FL_0}{AL_0 \alpha \Delta T} \propto \frac{1}{\Delta T}$$

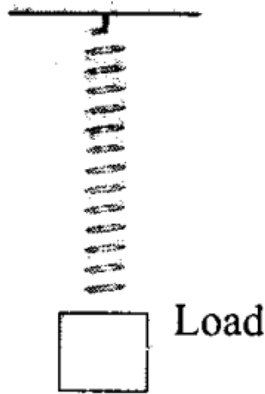
As $Y \propto 1/\Delta T$

When temperature increases ΔT increases, hence Y decreases.

Q4. A spring is stretched by applying a load to its free end. The strain produced in the spring is

- (a) volumetric
- (b) shear
- (c) longitudinal and shear

(d) longitudinal



Sol: (c) According to the diagram where a spring is suspended with a fixed rigid support. Now a load is attached with the lower end of that spring. So, it is stretched by applying a load to its free end. Clearly the length and shape of the spring changes and the weight of the load behaves as a deforming force.

The change in length corresponds to longitudinal strain and change in shape corresponds to shearing strain.

Q5. A rigid bar of mass M is supported symmetrically by three wires each of length l . Those at each end are of copper and the middle one is of iron. The ratio of their diameters, if each is to have the same tension, is equal to

(a) $Y_{\text{copper}}/Y_{\text{iron}}$

(b) $\sqrt{\frac{Y_{\text{iron}}}{Y_{\text{copper}}}}$

(c) $\frac{Y_{\text{iron}}^2}{Y_{\text{copper}}^2}$

(d) $\frac{Y_{\text{iron}}}{Y_{\text{copper}}}$

Sol: (b) As the bar is supported symmetrically by the three wires, therefore extension in each wire is same.

Let T be the tension in each wire and diameter of the wire is D , then Young's modulus is

$$Y = \frac{\text{Stress}}{\text{Strain}} = \frac{F/A}{\Delta L/L} = \frac{F}{A} \times \frac{L}{\Delta L}$$

$$= \frac{F}{\pi(D/2)^2} \times \frac{L}{\Delta L} = \frac{4FL}{\pi D^2 \Delta L}$$

$$\Rightarrow D^2 = \frac{4FL}{\pi \Delta L Y} \Rightarrow D = \sqrt{\frac{4FL}{\pi \Delta L Y}}$$

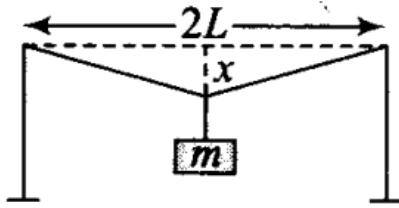
As F and $\frac{L}{\Delta L}$ are constants.

Hence, $D \propto \sqrt{\frac{1}{Y}}$

or $D = \frac{K}{\sqrt{Y}}$ (K is the proportionality constant)

Now, we can find ratio as $\frac{D_{\text{copper}}}{D_{\text{iron}}} = \sqrt{\frac{Y_{\text{iron}}}{Y_{\text{copper}}}}$

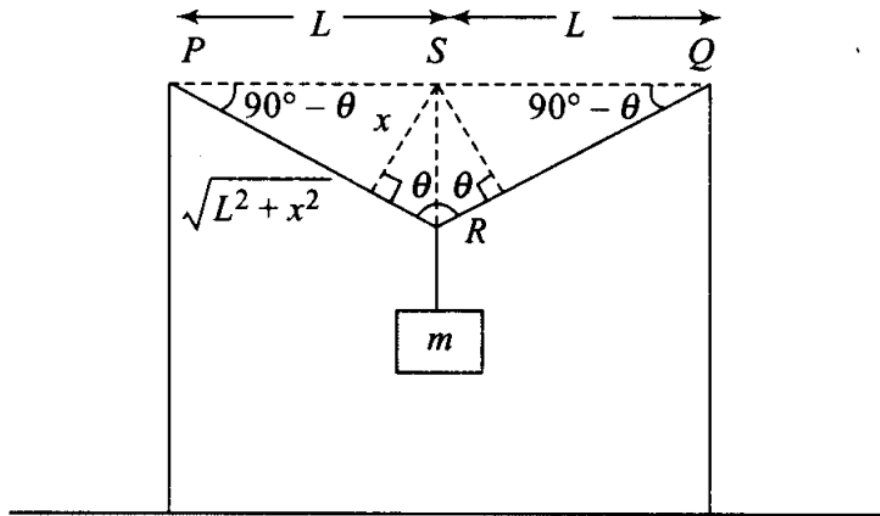
Q6. A mild steel wire of length $2L$ and cross-sectional area A is stretched, well within elastic limit, horizontally between two pillars (figure). A mass m is suspended from the mid-point of the wire. Strain in the wire is



- (a) $\frac{x^2}{2L^2}$ (b) $\frac{x}{L}$ (c) x^2/L (d) $x^2/2L$

Sol: (a) We will assume the vertical displacement x to be very small compared to L . Change in the length will be calculated by difference of final total length and initial length $2L$.

According to the diagram:



Hence, change in length

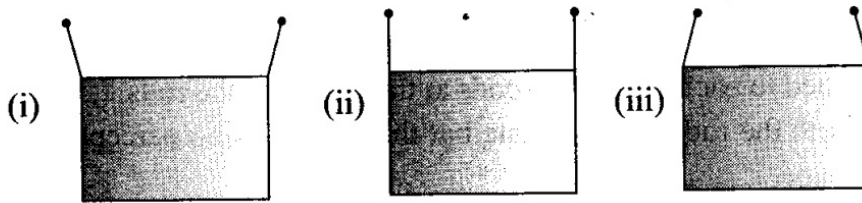
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta L &= (PR + RQ) - PQ \\ &= 2PR - PQ && (\because PR = PQ) \\ &= 2(L^2 + x^2)^{1/2} - 2L = 2L \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{L^2} \right)^{1/2} - 2L \end{aligned}$$

By binomial theorem, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta L &= 2L \left[\left(1 + \frac{x^2}{L^2} \right)^{1/2} - 1 \right] \\ &= 2L \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{x^2}{L^2} - 1 \right] = \frac{x^2}{L} && [\because x \ll L] \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Strain} = \frac{\Delta L}{2L} = \frac{x^2/L}{2L} = \frac{x^2}{2L^2}$$

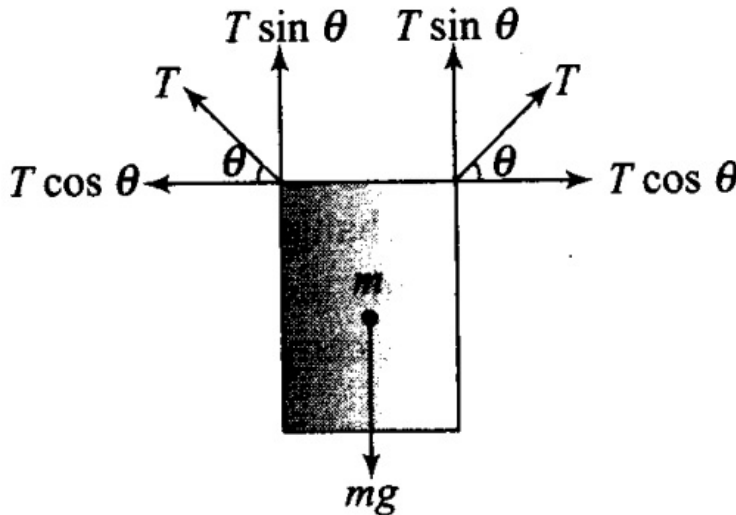
Q7. A rectangular frame is to be suspended symmetrically by two strings of equal length on two supports (figure). It can be done in one of the following three ways:



The tension in the strings will be

- (a) the same in all cases
- (b) least in (i)
- (c) least in (ii)
- (d) least in (iii)

Sol:(c) According to the FBD diagram of the rectangular frame. Let M be the mass of rectangular frame and θ be the angle which the tension T in the string makes with the horizontal



Balancing vertical forces,

$$2T \sin \theta - mg = 0 \quad [T \text{ is tension in the string}]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2T \sin \theta = mg \quad \dots(i)$$

Total horizontal force will be zero because of equal and opposite forces balance each other ($T \cos \theta$).

$$\text{Now from Eq. (i), } T = \frac{mg}{2 \sin \theta}$$

Here, we know mg is constant.

$$\Rightarrow T \propto \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

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T is least if $\sin \theta$ has maximum value.

$$T_{\min} = \frac{mg}{2 \sin \theta_{\max}} \quad (\text{since, } \sin \theta_{\max} = 1)$$

$$\sin \theta_{\max} = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ$$

So the correct option is option (c).

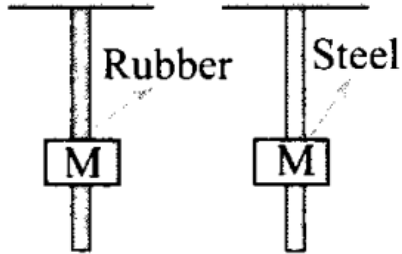
Hence, tension is least for the case (b).

Q8. Consider two cylindrical rods of identical dimensions, one of rubber and the other of steel. Both the rods are fixed rigidly at one end to the roof. A mass M is attached to each of

the free ends at the centre of the rods.

- (a) Both the rods will elongate but there shall be no perceptible change in shape.
- (b) The steel rod will elongate and change shape but the rubber rod will only elongate.
- (c) The steel rod will elongate without any perceptible change in shape, but the rubber rod will elongate and the shape of the bottom edge will change to an ellipse.
- (d) The steel rod will elongate, without any perceptible change in shape, but the rubber rod will elongate with the shape of the bottom edge tapered to a tip at the centre.

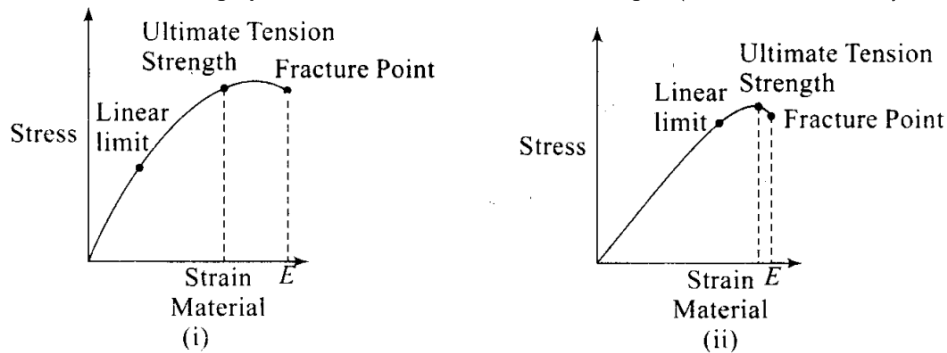
Sol: (d)



According to the diagram shown below in which a mass AT is attached at the centre of each rod, then both rods will be elongated. But due to different elastic properties of material the steel rod will elongate without making any perceptible change in shape, but the rubber rod will elongate with the shape of the bottom edge tapered to a tip at the centre.

More Than One Correct Answer Type

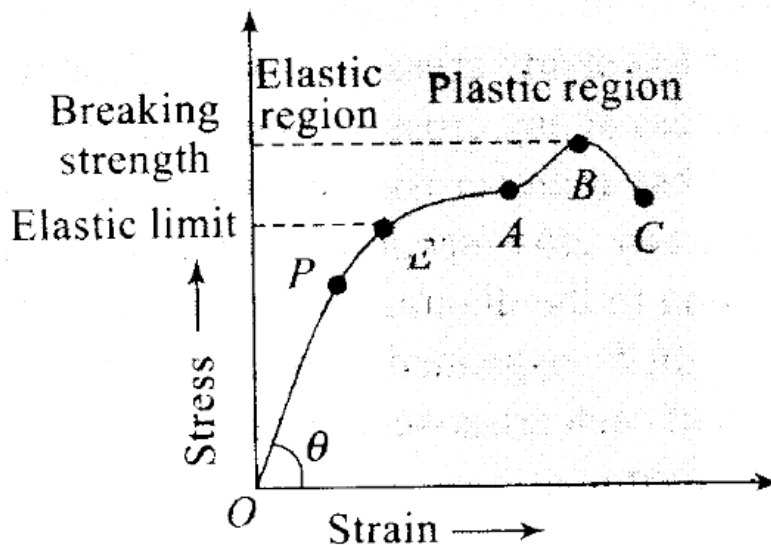
Q9. The stress-strain graphs for two materials are shown in figure (assume same scale).



- (a) Material (ii) is more elastic than material (i) and hence material (ii) is more brittle
- (b) Materials (i) and (ii) have the same elasticity and the same brittleness.
- (c) Material (ii) is elastic over a larger region of strain as compared to (i).
- (d) Material (ii) is more brittle than material (i).

Sol: (c, d)

Key concept: Representation of different points on Stress-Strain graph:



When the strain is small ($< 2\%$) (i.e., in region OP) stress is proportional to strain. This is the region where the so called Hooke's law is obeyed. The point P is called limit of proportionality and slope of line OP gives the Young's modulus Y of the material of the wire. If θ is the angle of OP from strain axis, then $Y = \tan \theta$.

If the strain is increased a little bit, i.e. in the region PE, the stress is not proportional to strain. However, the wire still regains its original length after the removal of stretching force. This behaviour is shown up to point E known as elastic limit or yield- point. The region OPE represents the elastic behaviour of the material of wire. ' "

If the wire is stretched beyond the elastic limit E, i.e. between EA, the strain increases much more rapidly and if the stretching force is removed the wire does not come back to its natural length. Some permanent increase in length takes place.

If the stress is increased further by a very small increase in it a very large increase in strain is produced (region AB) and after reaching point B, the strain increases even if the wire is unloaded and ruptures at C. In the region BC the wire literally flows. The maximum stress corresponding to B after which the wire begins to flow and breaks is called breaking or tensile strength. The region EABC represents the plastic behaviour of the material of wire.

Material having more ultimate tensile strength will be elastic over larger region.

So, from graph (i) linear limit vanishes soon and for small stress there is large strain as compared to graph (ii).

Hence, material (ii) is more elastic over a large region of strain as compared to (i). So, the ultimate tensile strength for material (ii) is greater than (i).

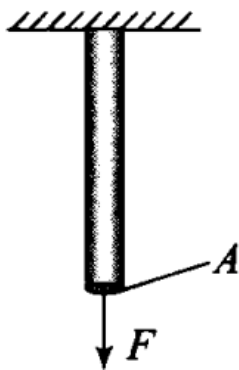
A material is said to be more brittle if its fracture point is more closer to ultimate strength point.

Hence material (ii) is more brittle than material (i).

Q10. A wire is suspended from the ceiling and stretched under the action of a weight F suspended from its other end. The force exerted by the ceiling on it is equal and opposite to the weight.

- (a) Tensile stress at any cross-section A of the wire is F/A .
- (b) Tensile stress at any cross-section is zero.
- (c) Tensile stress at any cross-section A of the wire is $2F/A$.
- (d) Tension at any cross-section A of the wire is F .

Sol. (a, d)



According to the diagram a wire is stretched under the action of a weight F suspended from its other end.

Clearly, forces at each cross-section is F .

Now applying formula,

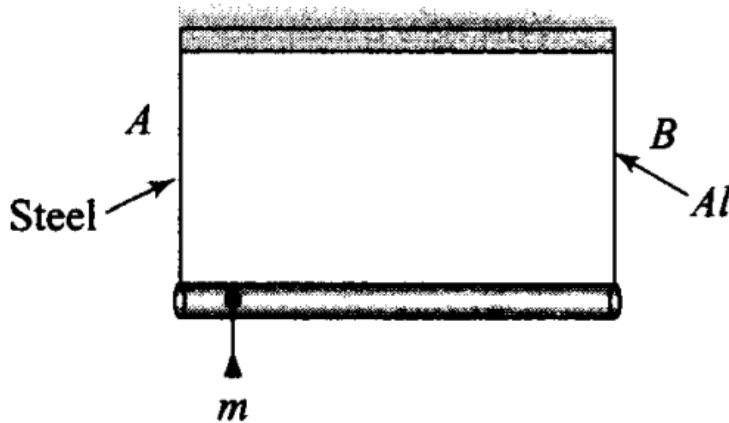
Tensile stress = Force applied/Area of cross-section = F/A

Tension = Applied force = F

Q11. A rod of length l and negligible mass is suspended at its two ends by two wires of steel

(wire A) and aluminium (wire B) of equal lengths (figure). The cross-sectional areas of wires A and B are 1.0 mm^2 and 2.0 mm^2 , respectively. ($Y_{Al} = 70 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^{-2}$ and $T_{\text{steel}} = 200 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^{-2}$)

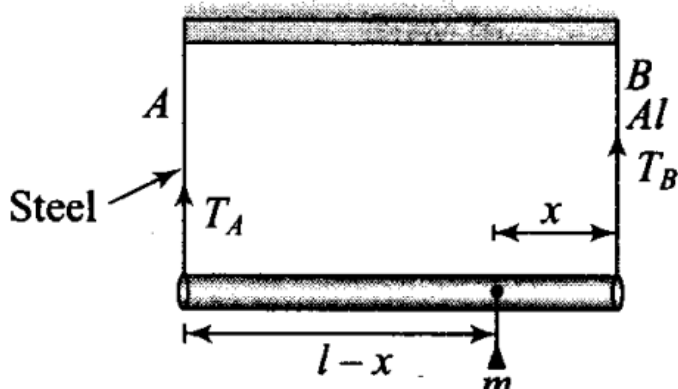
- Mass m should be suspended close to wire A to have equal stresses in both the wires.
- Mass m should be suspended close to B to have equal stresses in both the wires.
- Mass m should be suspended at the middle of the wires to have equal stresses in both the wires.
- Mass m should be suspended close to wire A to have equal strain in both wires.



Sol: (b, d) According to the diagram a massless rod is suspended at its two ends by two wires of steel (wire A) and aluminum (wire B) of equal lengths.

Let the mass is suspended at x from the end B, which develop equal stress in wires.

Let T_A and T_B be the tensions in wire A and wire B respectively.



$$\text{Stress in steel wire A, } S_A = \frac{T_A}{A_A} = \frac{T_A}{10^{-6}}$$

$$\text{Stress in Al wire, } S_B = \frac{T_B}{A_B} = \frac{T_B}{2 \times 10^{-6}}$$

where A_A and A_B are cross-sectional areas of wire A and B respectively.

Also, from rotational equilibrium, net torque is zero, i.e. $T_B x - T_A(l-x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{T_B}{T_A} = \frac{l-x}{x} \quad \dots(i)$$

For equal stress, $S_A = S_B$

$$\Rightarrow S_A = S_B \Rightarrow \frac{T_A}{10^{-6}} = \frac{T_B}{2 \times 10^{-6}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{l-x}{x} = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{l}{x} - 1 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{l}{3} \Rightarrow l-x = l - \frac{l}{3} = \frac{2l}{3}$$

Hence, mass m should be suspended close to wire B (Al wire).

$$\text{We know, Strain} = \frac{\text{Stress}}{Y}$$

So, for equal strain in the wires,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{S_A}{Y_{\text{steel}}} = \frac{S_B}{Y_{Al}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Y_{\text{steel}}}{T_A/a_A} = \frac{Y_{Al}}{T_B/a_B}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Y_{\text{steel}}}{Y_{Al}} = \frac{T_A}{T_B} \times \frac{a_B}{a_A} = \left(\frac{x}{l-x}\right) \left(\frac{2a_A}{a_A}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{200 \times 10^9}{70 \times 10^9} = \frac{2x}{l-x} \Rightarrow \frac{20}{7} = \frac{2x}{l-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 17x = 10l \Rightarrow x = \frac{10l}{17}$$

$$\Rightarrow l-x = l - \frac{10l}{17} = \frac{7l}{17}$$

Hence, mass m should be suspended close to wire A (steel wire).

Q12. For an ideal liquid,

- (a) the bulk modulus is infinite
- (b) the bulk modulus is zero
- (c) the shear modulus is infinite
- (d) the shear modulus is zero

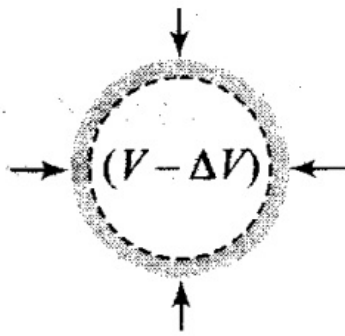
Sol:(a, d) .

Key concept: Bulk Modulus:

When a solid or fluid (liquid or gas) is subjected to a uniform pressure all over the surface,

such that the shape remains the same, then there is a change in volume.

Then the ratio of normal stress to the volumetric strain within the elastic limits is called as Bulk modulus. This is denoted by K.



$$K = \frac{\text{Normal stress}}{\text{volumetric strain}}; \quad K = \frac{F/A}{-\Delta V/V} = \frac{-pV}{\Delta V}$$

where p = increase in pressure; V= original volume; ΔV = change in volume The negative sign shows that with increase in pressure p, the volume decreases by ΔV , i.e. if p is positive, ΔV is negative. The reciprocal of bulk modulus is called compressibility.

$$C = \text{Compressibility} = \frac{1}{K} = \frac{\Delta V}{pV}$$

$$\text{Bulk modulus, } B = \frac{\text{Volume stress}}{\text{Volume strain}}$$

As an ideal liquid is not compressible. Hence, change in volume, $\Delta V = 0$

It means volume strain is zero.

Bulk modulus

$$B = \frac{F/A}{\Delta V/V} = \frac{F}{A} \times \frac{V}{\Delta V} = \infty$$

$$\text{Shear modulus, } \eta = \frac{\text{shear stress}}{\text{shear strain}}$$

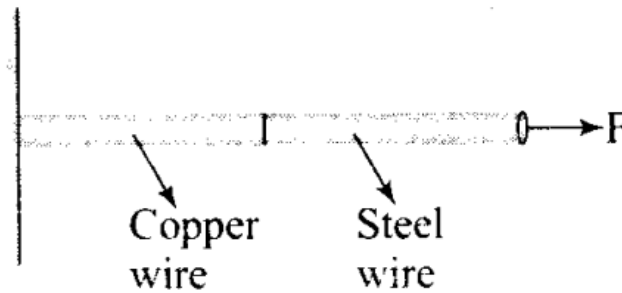
A liquid cannot sustain tangential force. It may contain tangential viscous drag, so, $\eta = 0$.

Q13. A copper and a steel wire of the same diameter are connected end to end. A deforming force F is applied to this composite wire which causes a total elongation of 1 cm. The two wires will have

- (a) the same stress
- (b) different stress
- (c) the same strain
- (d) different strain

Sol. (a, d) According to the diagram where a deforming force F is applied to the combination.

$$Y_{\text{steel}} = \text{Stress/ Strain} = F/A/\text{Strain}$$



$$Y_{\text{steel}} \neq Y_{\text{copper}}$$

$$(a) \text{ Stress} = F / A$$

So stress in the wire depends upon cross sectional area and deforming force, if force and area both are same then stress remains same.

(b) Because of having different young's modulus, the two wires will have different strain.

Very Short Answer Type Questions

Q14. The Young's modulus for steel is much more than that for rubber. For the same longitudinal strain, which one will have greater tensile stress?

$$\text{Sol. Young's modulus } (Y) = \frac{\text{Tensile Stress}}{\text{Longitudinal strain}}$$

For same longitudinal strain, Young's modulus is proportional to tensile stress, *i.e.*, $Y \propto \text{stress}$

$$Y_r(\text{steel}) \gg Y_r(\text{rubber})$$

$$\therefore \frac{Y_{\text{steel}}}{Y_{\text{rubber}}} = \frac{(\text{Stress})_{\text{steel}}}{(\text{Stress})_{\text{rubber}}} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\therefore \frac{Y_{\text{steel}}}{Y_{\text{rubber}}} > 1$$

Therefore, from Eq. (i),

$$\frac{(\text{Stress})_{\text{steel}}}{(\text{Stress})_{\text{rubber}}} > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{Stress})_{\text{steel}} > (\text{Stress})_{\text{rubber}}$$

Hence, for same longitudinal strain, steel will have greater tensile stress than that of rubber.

Q15. Is stress a vector quantity?

Sol: Stress = Magnitude of internal reaction force / Area of cross-section

Hence, stress is not a scalar quantity not a vector quantity, it is a tensor quantity.

Q16. Identical springs of steel and copper are equally stretched. On which, more work will have to be done?

Sol: Key concept: Work Done in stretching a Wire or Spring:

In stretching a wire work is done against internal restoring forces. This work is stored in the wire as elastic potential energy or strain energy.

If a force F acts along the length L of the wire of cross-section A and stretches it by x , then

$$Y = \frac{\text{stress}}{\text{strain}} = \frac{F/A}{x/L} = \frac{FL}{Ax} \Rightarrow F = \frac{YA}{L} x$$

So the work done for an additional small increase dx in length,

$$dW = Fdx = \frac{YA}{L} x \cdot dx$$

Hence the total work done in increasing the length by l ,

$$W = \int_0^l dW = \int_0^l Fdx = \int_0^l \frac{YA}{L} \cdot x dx = \frac{1}{2} \frac{YA}{L} l^2$$

This work done is stored in the wire.

According to this problem work done in stretching a wire is given by

$$W = \frac{YAl^2}{2L}$$

As springs of steel and copper are equally stretched. Therefore, for same force (F),

$$W \propto \Delta l \quad \dots(i)$$

As both springs are identical, so A and L are same.

$$\Delta l \propto \frac{1}{Y} \quad \dots(ii)$$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get $W \propto \frac{1}{Y}$

$$\therefore \frac{W_{\text{steel}}}{W_{\text{copper}}} = \frac{Y_{\text{copper}}}{Y_{\text{steel}}} < 1 \quad (\text{As, } Y_{\text{steel}} > Y_{\text{copper}})$$

$$\Rightarrow W_{\text{steel}} < W_{\text{copper}}$$

Hence, more work will be done in case of spring made of copper.

Q17. What is the Young's modulus for a perfect rigid body?

Sol: According to Hooke's law

$$(Y) = \frac{\text{stress}}{\text{longitudinal strain}} = \frac{F}{A} \times \frac{l}{\Delta l}$$

For a perfectly rigid body, change in length $\Delta l = 0$, therefore longitudinal strain is zero.

$$\therefore Y = \frac{F}{A} \times \frac{l}{0} = \infty$$

Hence, Young's modulus for a perfectly rigid body is infinite (∞).

Q18. What is the Bulk modulus for a perfect rigid body?

Sol: Bulk modulus is given by

$$(B) = \frac{\text{Stress}}{\text{volume strain}} = \frac{p}{\Delta V/V} = \frac{pV}{\Delta V}$$

For perfectly rigid body, change in volume $\Delta V = 0$, therefore volumetric strain is zero.

$$\therefore B = \frac{pV}{0} = \infty$$

Hence, bulk modulus for a perfectly rigid body is infinity

Short Answer Type Questions

Q19. A wire of length L and radius r is clamped rigidly at one end. When the other end of the wire is pulled by a force f its length increases by l . Another wire of the same material of length $2L$ and radius $2r$, is pulled by a force $2f$ Find the increase in length of this wire.

Sol: We have to apply Hooke's law to compare the extension in each wire. According to the diagram which shows the situation.

Now, Young's modulus

$$(Y) = \frac{f}{A} \times \frac{L}{l}$$

First case, length of wire = L , radius of wire = r

Force applied = f , increase in length = l

$$Y_1 = \frac{f}{\pi r^2} = \frac{fL}{\pi r^2 l} \quad \dots(i)$$

In second case,

length of wire = $2L$, radius of wire = $2r$,

force applied = $2f$, increase in length = x (say)

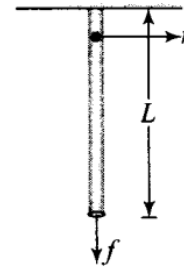
$$Y_2 = \frac{2f}{\pi(2r)^2} = \frac{f/L}{\pi r^2 x} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Both the wires are of same material, so Young's modulus will be same.

From Eqs. (i) and (ii),

$$\frac{f}{\pi r^2} \times \frac{L}{l} = \frac{f}{\pi r^2} \times \frac{L}{x}$$

Hence, $x = l$.



20. A steel rod ($Y = 2.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$ and $\alpha = 10^{-5} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$) of length 1 m and area of cross-section 1 cm^2 is heated from 0°C to 200°C , without being allowed to extend or bend. What is the tension produced in the rod?

Sol. As the temperature of the rod increases, length increases. The equation of thermal expansion for linear expansion will be applied.

According to the problem, Young's modulus of steel $Y = 2.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$

Coefficient of thermal expansion $\alpha = 10^{-5} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$

Length $L = 1 \text{ m}$

Area of cross-section $A = 1 \text{ cm}^2 = 1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$

Rise in temperature $\Delta t = 200^\circ\text{C} - 0^\circ\text{C} = 200^\circ\text{C}$

$$A = 1 \text{ cm}^2 = 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2, \Delta T = 200^\circ\text{C} - 0^\circ\text{C} = 200^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\therefore \Delta L = \alpha L \Delta T = 10^{-5} \times 1 \times 200 = 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

Let the tension produced in rod by the compression is T .

$$\therefore Y = \frac{T/A}{\Delta L/L} \Rightarrow T = Y \frac{\Delta L}{L} \times A$$

$$\Rightarrow T = 2 \times 10^{11} \times \frac{2 \times 10^{-3}}{1} \times 10^{-4} = 4 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$$

Q21. To what depth must a rubber ball be taken in deep sea so that its volume is decreased by 0.1%. (The bulk modulus of rubber is $9.8 \times 10^8 \text{ N/m}^2$; and the density of sea water is 10^3 kg/m^3)

Sol: According to the problem, Bulk modulus of rubber (B) = $9.8 \times 10^8 \text{ N/m}^2$ Density of sea water (ρ) = 10^3 kg/m^3 Percentage decrease in volume

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V} = 0.1\% = \frac{0.1}{100} = 10^{-3}$$

$$\rho = 10^3 \text{ kg m}^{-3}, h = ?$$

Let the rubber ball be taken up to depth h .

\therefore Change in pressure (p) = $h\rho g$

$$\text{We know, } B = \frac{\Delta P}{(\Delta V/V)} \Rightarrow \Delta P = B \times \frac{\Delta V}{V}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta P = 9.8 \times 10^8 \times 10^{-3} = 9.8 \times 10^5 \text{ Nm}^{-2}$$

Also, $\Delta P = \rho gh$

$$h = \frac{\Delta P}{\rho g} = \frac{9.8 \times 10^5}{10^3 \times 9.8} \Rightarrow h = 10^2 \text{ m} = 100 \text{ m}$$

Q22. A truck is pulling a car out of a ditch by means of a steel cable that is 9.1 m long and has a radius of 5 mm. When the car just begins to move, the tension in the cable is 800 N. How much has the cable stretched? (Young's modulus for steel is $2 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$)

Sol. According to the problem,

Length of steel cable $l = 9.1 \text{ m}$

Radius $r = 5 \text{ mm} = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$

Tension in the cable $F = 800 \text{ N}$

Young's modulus for steel $Y = 2 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$

Change in length $\Delta l = ?$

Young's modulus if given by

$$Y = \frac{F/A}{\Delta L/L} \Rightarrow \Delta L = \frac{FL}{Y(\pi r^2)}$$

$$\Delta L = \frac{800 \times 9.1}{(2 \times 10^{11})(3.14 \times 25 \times 10^{-6})} = 4.64 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta L \approx 5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m} \approx 0.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

Q23. Two identical solid balls, one of ivory and the other of wet-clay, are dropped from the same height on the floor. Which one will rise to a greater height after striking the floor and why?

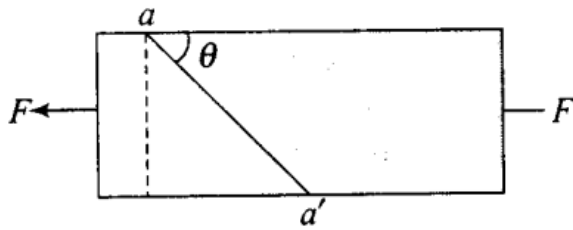
Sol: Since, ivory ball is more elastic than wet-clay ball, therefore, it tends to regain its original shape quickly. Due to this reason, more energy and momentum is transferred to the ivory ball in comparison to the wet-clay ball and hence, ivory ball will rise higher after striking the floor even though both are dropped from the same height.

Long Answer Type Questions

Q24. Consider a long steel bar under a tensile stress due to force F acting at the edges along the length of the bar (figure). Consider a plane making an angle θ with the length. What are the tensile and shearing stresses on this plane?

(a) For what angle is the tensile stress a maximum?

(b) For what angle is the shearing stress a maximum?



Sol: According to the problem force F is applied along horizontal, so we resolve it in two perpendicular components—one is parallel to the inclined plane and other one is perpendicular to the inclined plane as shown in the diagram. Now, we can easily calculate the tensile and shearing stress. Here,

$$F_{\perp} = F \sin \theta, F_{\parallel} = F \cos \theta$$

Let the cross-sectional area of the bar be A . Consider the equilibrium of the plane aa' . Here, F_{\perp} produces tensile stress and F_{\parallel} produces shear stress, on the plane aa' .

Let the area of the face aa' be A' , then

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{A}{A'} \Rightarrow A' = \frac{A}{\sin \theta}$$

Tensile stress on the plane aa'

$$aa' = \frac{F_{\perp}}{A'} = \frac{F \sin \theta}{A/\sin \theta} = \frac{F}{A} \sin^2 \theta$$

Shearing stress on the plane aa' ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Shearing stress} &= \frac{\text{Parallel force}}{\text{Area}} \\ &= \frac{F_{\parallel}}{A'} = \frac{F \cos \theta}{A/\sin \theta} = \frac{F \sin \theta \cos \theta}{A} = \frac{F(2 \sin \theta \cos \theta)}{2A} \\ &= \frac{F \sin 2\theta}{2A} \end{aligned}$$

(a) For tensile stress to be maximum,

$$\sin^2 \theta = 1 \Rightarrow \sin \theta = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } \theta = 90^\circ$$

(b) For shearing stress to be maximum,

$$\sin 2\theta = 1 \Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ or } \theta = 45^\circ$$

Important point: Here we are not applying direct formula for stress. Because to analyze different types of stresses, we have to divide the force in components. In normal stress, the force is applied normal to the surface. But in shear stress deforming force is applied tangential to one of the faces

Q25. A steel rod of length $2l$, cross-sectional area A and mass M is set rotating in a horizontal plane about an axis passing through the centre. If Y is the Young's modulus for steel, find the extension in the length of the rod. (Assume the rod is uniform)

Sol: First we have to consider a small element on the rod of mass dm to find tension in the rod at this element and then calculate for the whole rod.

Let us consider an element of width dx at a distance x from the given axis of rotation as shown in the diagram.

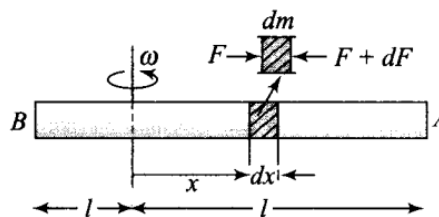
As we know the rod is uniform, so mass per unit length, $\mu = \frac{M}{2l}$.

$$\text{Mass of small element } dm = \left(\frac{M}{2l}\right)dx$$

Centripetal force acting on this element,
 $dF = dm \cdot x\omega^2$

$$\Rightarrow dF = \left(\frac{M}{2l}\right)dx \cdot x\omega^2$$

Here, dF is provided by tension in element dx of the rod due to elasticity.



Let tension in the rod be F at a distance x from the axis of rotation.

F is due to centripetal force acting on all the elements from x to l , i.e.

$$F = \frac{M\omega^2}{2l} \int_x^l x dx = \frac{M\omega^2}{4l} (l^2 - x^2)$$

If $d(r)$ is the extension in the element of length dx at position x , then

$$d(r) = \frac{Fdx}{YA} \left[\because Y = \frac{F/A}{d(r)/dx} \right]$$

Hence, extension in the half of the rod (from axis to point A) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta r &= \int_0^l d(r) = \int_0^l \frac{Fdx}{YA} \\ &= \frac{M\omega^2}{4YA} \left[l^2(x) - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^l = \frac{M\omega^2}{4YA} \left[l^3 - \frac{l^3}{3} \right] = \frac{M\omega^2 l^2}{6YA} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, total extension in entire rod of length $2l$,

$$2\Delta r = \frac{M\omega^2 l^2}{3YA}$$

$$\therefore \text{Total change in length} = \frac{2}{3YA} \mu \omega^2 l^2$$

Q26. An equilateral triangle ABC is formed by two Cu rods AB and BC and one Al rod AC. It is heated in such a way that temperature of each rod increases by ΔT . Find change in the angle ABC. [Coefficient of linear expansion for Cu is α_1 coefficient of linear expansion for Al is α_2]

Sol: As the temperature of the rods increases length of each side will change, hence the angle corresponding to any vertex also changes as shown in the diagram.

Before heating, $AB = BC = CA = l$

After heating temperature of each rod is changed by ΔT and sides of ΔABC is changed.

Let $AB = l_1, BC = l_3, CA = l_2$ Using cosine formula,

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{l_3^2 + l_1^2 - l_2^2}{2l_3l_1} \quad (\text{assume } \angle ABC = \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2l_3l_1 \cos \theta = l_3^2 + l_1^2 - l_2^2$$

On differentiating the above expression we get

$$2(l_3dl_1 + l_1dl_3) \cos \theta - 2l_1l_3 \sin \theta d\theta = 2l_3dl_1 + 2l_1dl_1 - 2l_2dl_2$$

Here, $l_1 = l_2 = l_3 = l$ (as it is an equilateral triangle)

Now, $dl_1 = l\alpha_1\Delta t$ (where, Δt = change in temperature)

$$dl_2 = l\alpha_2\Delta t$$

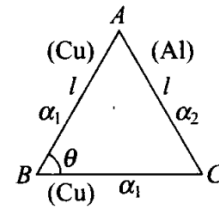
And $dl_3 = l\alpha_1\Delta t$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{therefore, } 2(l^2\alpha_1\Delta t + l^2\alpha_1\Delta t) \cos \theta - 2l^2 \sin \theta d\theta \\ = 2l \times l\alpha_1\Delta T + 2l \times l\alpha_1\Delta T - 2l \times l\alpha_2\Delta T \end{aligned}$$

Dividing it by $2l^2$, we get

$$2\alpha_1\Delta T \cos \theta = \sin \theta d\theta + 2\alpha_1\Delta T - \alpha_2\Delta T$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta d\theta = 2\alpha_1\Delta t(1 - \cos \theta) - \alpha_2\Delta t$$



Substituting, $\theta = 60^\circ$ (for equilateral triangle)

$$d\theta \times \sin 60^\circ = 2\alpha_1\Delta t(1 - \cos 60^\circ) - \alpha_2\Delta t$$

$$= 2\alpha_1\Delta t \times \frac{1}{2} - \alpha_2\Delta t = (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\Delta t$$

$d\theta$ = change in $\angle ABC$

$$= \frac{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\Delta T}{\sin 60^\circ} = \frac{2(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\Delta T}{\sqrt{3}} \quad (\because \Delta t = \Delta T \text{ given})$$

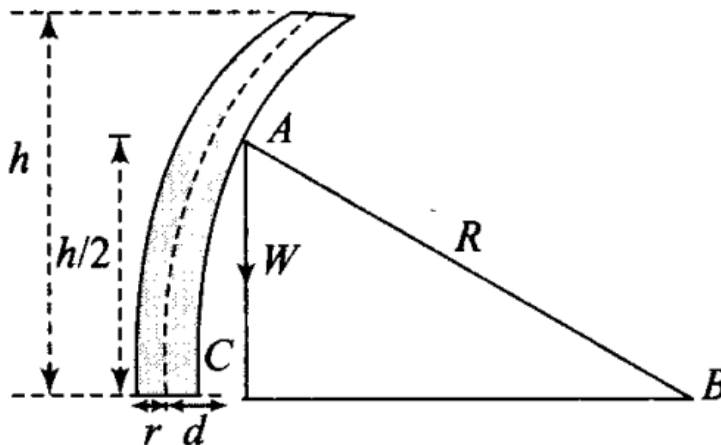
Q27. In nature, the failure of structural members usually result from large torque because of twisting or bending rather than due to tensile or compressive strains. This process of structural breakdown is called buckling and in cases of tall cylindrical structures like trees, the torque is caused by its own weight bending the structure. Thus, the vertical through the centre of gravity does not fall within the base. The elastic torque caused because of this bending about the central axis of the tree is given by $Y\pi r^4/4R$. Y is the Young's modulus, r is the radius of the trunk and R is the radius of curvature of the bent surface along the height of the tree containing the centre of gravity (the neutral surface). Estimate the critical height of a tree for a given radius of the trunk.

Sol: According to the problem, the elastic torque or the bending torque is given and we have to find the torque caused by the weight due to bending.

The diagram of the given situation is as shown.

The bending torque on the trunk of radius r of tree = $Y\pi r^4/4R$

where R the radius of curvature of the bent surface.



$$\tau = Wd = \frac{Y\pi r^4}{4R}$$

Here deforming torque is equal to elastic torque (restoring torque) caused by bending of tree about its central axis when the tree is about to buckle.

Let h be the height of tree. If $R \gg h$, then the centre of gravity of tree is at a height $h/2$ from the ground.

Refer figure, in ΔABC

$$R^2 = (R - d)^2 + (h/2)^2 = R^2 - 2Rd + d^2 + h^2/4$$

Since, $d \ll R$, therefore the term d^2 being very very small can be neglected.

$$\therefore R^2 = R^2 - 2Rd + h^2/4$$

or
$$d = \frac{h^2}{8R} \quad \dots(i)$$

If w_0 is the weight/volume, then

$$\frac{Y\pi r^4}{4R} = W_0(\pi r^2 h) \frac{h^2}{8R} \quad [\because \text{Torque is caused by the weight}]$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \left(\frac{2Y}{W_0} \right)^{1/3} r^{2/3}$$

Hence, critical height = $h = \left(\frac{2Y}{W_0} \right)^{1/3} r^{2/3}$

Q28. A stone of mass m is tied to an elastic string of negligible mass and spring constant k . The unstretched length of the string is L and has negligible mass. The other end of the string is fixed to a nail at a point P . Initially the stone is at the same level as the point P . The stone is dropped vertically from point P .

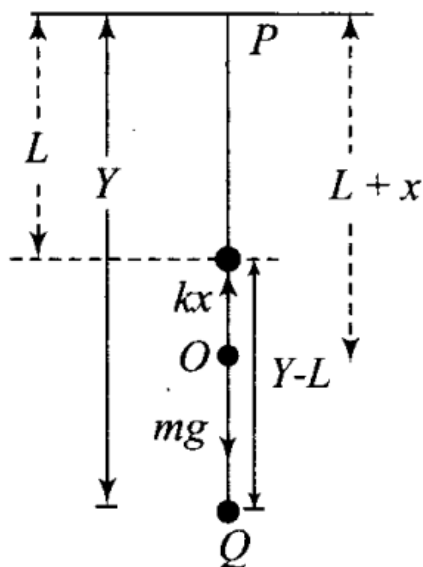
(a) Find the distance y from the top when the mass comes to rest for an instant, for the first time.

(b) What is the maximum velocity attained by the stone in this drop?

(c) What shall be the nature of the motion after the stone has reached its lowest point?

Sol: In this problem, the given string is elastic. Consider the diagram the stone is dropped from point P .

(a) When the stone is dropped, then it covers distance Y before coming to rest, for the first instant.



$$Y = L + (Y-L)$$

First it covers the distance L equal to length of string distance in free fall and a further distance $(Y - L)$ due to extension in the string. So it covers a total distance Y until it instantaneously comes to rest at Q .

We have to find y , so by applying energy conservation principle,
 Loss in potential energy of stone = Gain in elastic potential energy in string

$$\Rightarrow mgy = \frac{1}{2}k(y - L)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow mgy = \frac{1}{2}k(y^2 - 2yL + L^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}ky^2 - (kL + mg)y + \frac{1}{2}kL^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{(kL + mg) \pm \sqrt{(kL + mg)^2 - 4\left(\frac{1}{2}k\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}kL^2\right)}}{2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}k\right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{(kL + mg) \pm \sqrt{2mgkL + m^2g^2}}{k}$$

Eliminating the negative sign, we are only taking positive sign only,

$$y = \frac{(kL + mg) + \sqrt{2mgkL + m^2g^2}}{k}$$

(b) In SHM, the maximum velocity is attained when the body passes, through the "equilibrium position", i.e., when the instantaneous acceleration is zero. That is $mg - kx = 0$, where x is the extension from L .

$$\Rightarrow mg = kx \Rightarrow x = \frac{mg}{k} \quad \dots(i)$$

Let the velocity be v . Then, by principle of conservation of mechanical energy,

$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx^2 = mg(L + x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = mg(L + x) - \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

$$\text{Now, } mg = kx \Rightarrow x = \frac{mg}{k}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = mg\left(L + \frac{mg}{k}\right) - \frac{1}{2}k\frac{m^2g^2}{k^2} = mgL + \frac{m^2g^2}{k} - \frac{1}{2}\frac{m^2g^2}{k}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = mgL + \frac{1}{2}\frac{m^2g^2}{k}$$

$$\therefore v^2 = 2gL + \frac{mg^2}{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{2gL + \frac{mg^2}{k}}$$

(c) When stone is at the lowest point Q, i.e. at instantaneous distance Y from P from where the stone is dropped, then equation of motion of the stone is
 mass \times acceleration = net force on the stone

$$m \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = mg - k(y - L)$$

(Here, $mg = \text{weight}$, $k(y - L) = \text{restoring force}$)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + \frac{k}{m}(y - L) - g = 0 \quad \dots(\text{ii})$$

Put another variable,

$$\frac{k}{m}(y - L) - g = z$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{k}{m} \frac{dy}{dt} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = \frac{k}{m} \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}$$

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Eqn. (iii) represent S.H.M. with angular frequency $\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$.

For mean position, $z = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{m}(y_0 - L) - g = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y_0 = L + \frac{mg}{k}$$

Hence, stone will execute S.H.M. with angular frequency ω about the

point $y_0 = L + \frac{mg}{k}$.

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