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		Machine Design.	Spring Notes	
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1) Spring:

Elastic body, whose function is to distort when loaded & recover its original shape when the load is removed.

Applications: To cushion, shock absorb, vibration dampers, watches, toys etc.

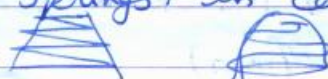
2) Types of Springs

i) Helical: a) Compression b) tension

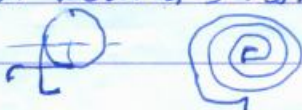
closely coiled - helix angle is very small, less than 10° .

Open Coiled - - - - - large, or greater than 10°

ii) Conical & Volute Springs) in cone shaped Comp. Spring



iii) ^{Torsion Spring} Spiral Spring: Flat wound in the form of spring & loaded in torsion



iv) Leaf Spring

v) Disc Spring.

vi) Special Purpose Springs

Materials: - High fatigue strength, high ductility, high resilience, & creep resistance

i) Carbon from 0.5 to 1% C

ii) Alloy steel - for high load, & repeated load

iii) Spring Brass, Phosphor Bronze, & Monel-Metal are used when corrosion resistant spring are needed.

iv) 55Si 2Mn 90 & 50Cr 1V 23 are commonly used in making springs.

Terminology used in Spring:

a. Spring Index $C = D/d$ mean dia. of coil / dia of wire

b. Solid length $L_s = n'd$
 n' - Total no. of coils
 d - wire dia

c. Free length $L_f = L_s + \text{Max. Comp.} + \text{Clearance b/w adjacent coil}$ (Clash Allowance)
 $L_f = n'd + S_{max} + 0.15 S_{max}$
 or $L_f \geq n'd + S_{max} + (n'-1) \times 1 \text{ mm.}$

d. Deflection: It is the distance moved by spring under the action of load (S)

$$S = \frac{\text{load}}{\text{Stiffness}} = \frac{W}{K} \text{ (mm)}$$

e. Stiffness: It is defined as the ratio of load to deflection or spring Rate

$$K = \frac{W}{S} \text{ (N/mm)}$$

f. Shear stress factor: K_s

$$K_s = 1 + \frac{1}{2C}$$

g. Wahl's correction factor: K_w (takes care of curvature of springs)

$$K_w = \frac{4C-1}{4C-4} + \frac{0.615}{C}$$

h. Pitch: It is axial distance b/w adjacent coils in uncompressed state: $p = \frac{L_f}{(n'-1)}$



$$p = \frac{L_f - L_s}{n'} + d$$

i. For Squared & Ground Ends:

Total no. of coils = no. of Active coils + 2

j. Active Coils: take part in deflection

• End Connections of Helical Comp. Springs

- Plain Ends
- Ground
- Squared
- Squared & Ground



• End Connections for Tension Helical Spring by hooks or loops

Stress in Helical Springs of Circular Wire:-

D - Mean dia of spring coil

d - Dia. spring wire

n - no. of active coils

G - Modulus of rig.

W - Axial load

τ - Max. Shear stress

C - Spring index $= D/d$

p - pitch

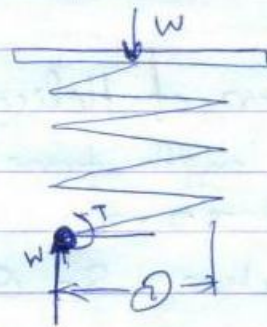
δ - Deflection.

Twisting Moment

$$T = W \times D/2$$

$$\delta T = \pi/16 \tau d^3$$

$$\tau_1 = \frac{8WD}{\pi d^3}$$



τ_1 - Torsional Shear stress.

τ_2 - direct Shear stress due to load W .

$$\tau_2 = \frac{W}{x\text{-set Area of wire}} \Rightarrow \frac{W}{\frac{\pi}{4}d^2} \Rightarrow \frac{4W}{\pi d^2}$$

Resultant shear stress:

$$\tau = \tau_1 \pm \tau_2 \Rightarrow \frac{8WD}{\pi d^3} + \frac{4W}{\pi d^2} \Rightarrow \frac{8WD}{\pi d^3} \left(1 + \frac{d}{2D}\right)$$

$$\tau = \frac{8WD}{\pi d^3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2C}\right)$$

$$\tau = K_s \frac{8WD}{\pi d^3} \quad \left| K_s = 1 + \frac{1}{2C} \Rightarrow \text{Shear stress factor} \right.$$

we neglected wire curvature in above eq.

* It is noted that when the springs are subjected to static loads, the effect of wire curvature may be neglected.

- If we consider both direct shear as well as curvature of wires, a Wahl's Stress factor (K) used.

$$\tau = K \frac{8WD}{\pi d^3} \Rightarrow K \cdot \frac{8WC}{\pi d^2}$$

$$K = \frac{4C-1}{4C-4} + \frac{0.615}{C}$$

also $K = K_s \cdot K_c$

K_c - Stress concentration factor due to curvature.

Deflection of Helical Springs of Circular Wires -

Active length $l \Rightarrow$ length of one coil \times No. of Active coil

$$l = \pi D \times n$$

$$\text{Axial Deflection } \delta = \theta \times \frac{\phi}{2} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

θ Angular def. of wire when acted upon by force "T"

$$\frac{T}{J} = \frac{\tau}{\phi/2} = \frac{C \cdot \theta}{l}$$

$$\theta = T \cdot l / J \cdot C \quad (J = \frac{\pi}{32} d^4)$$

$$\theta \Rightarrow \frac{(W \times \frac{D}{2}) \times \pi D \cdot n}{\frac{\pi}{32} d^4 \times C} \Rightarrow \frac{16WD^2 \cdot n}{C \cdot d^4} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

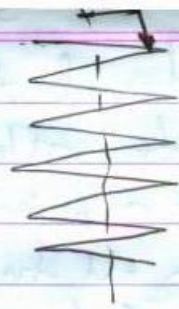
Put in 1
we get

$$\delta = \frac{8WD^3 n}{C \cdot d^4} \Rightarrow \frac{8WC^3 n}{C \cdot d}$$

$$\text{Stiffness of Spring} = K = \frac{W}{\delta} \Rightarrow \frac{C \cdot d^4}{8D^3 n} = \frac{C \cdot d}{8C^3 n}$$

- Eccentric loading

set load on spring may be obtain
by multiplying the axial load ^(W) by
factor = $\frac{D}{2e + D}$



e - eccentricity of load.

- Buckling of Compression Springs:

If L_f is more than four times of mean or pitch dia - (D)

$$L_f \geq 4D$$

W_{cr} - Critical Axial load

$$W_{cr} = k \times K_b \times L_f$$

k = stiffness

L_f = Free Length

K_b - Buckling factor depend upon L_f/D (Buckling factor)

To Avoid \rightarrow used Central oval or tube:

= Surge in Springs! -

When one end of a helical spring is resting on a rigid support & the other end is loaded suddenly, then all the coils of the spring will not suddenly deflect equally, because some time is required for the propagation of stress along the spring wire. A little consideration will show that in the beginning, the end coils of spring in contact with applied load takes up whole of the deflection & then it transmits a large part of its deflection to the adjacent coils. In this way, a wave of compression propagates through the coils to the supported end from where it is reflected back to the deflected end. This wave of compression travels along the spring indefinitely. If the applied load is fluctuating type as in the case of valve spring, & if the time interval b/w the load application is equal to the time required for the wave to travel from one end to other end, the resonance will occur. This results very large deflections of coils & very high stresses, & spring may fail. This phenomenon is called Surge.

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It has been found that the natural frequency of spring should be atleast twenty times of the frequency of application of a periodic load in order to avoid resonance with all harmonic frequencies up to twentieth order. the natural frequency for spring clamped b/w two plates is given by:

$$f_n = \frac{d}{2\pi D^2 n} \sqrt{\frac{6 \cdot G \cdot g}{S}} \text{ cycles/s}$$

d - wire dia

G - Modulus of rig.

D - mean dia of coil

g - Acc. due to gravity

n - number of active turns

S - Density of wire material

→ Suring in Spring may be eliminated by:

- Using friction dampers on the centre of coil so that the wave propagation dies out.
- By using spring of high natural frequency.
- By using spring having pitch at the coil near the ends different than at the centre to have diff. natural freq.

23.1 → A compression coil spring.

$D = 50 \text{ mm}, d = 5 \text{ mm}, n = 20, W = 900 \text{ N}$

$\tau = 9$

$C = D/d = 10$

shear stress factor $K_s = 1 + \frac{1}{2C} = 1.05$

(Neg. conv. at) $\tau = K_s \frac{8W \cdot D}{\pi \cdot d^3} \Rightarrow 534.7 \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ (MPa)}$

Q. 23.2 - $d = 6 \text{ mm}, D_0 = 75 \text{ mm}, \tau = 350 \text{ MPa}, G = 84 \text{ N/mm}^2$
 $W = 9$ & $S/n \Rightarrow$

$D = D_0 - d \Rightarrow 69 \text{ mm}, C = D/d = 11.5$

Neg. curvature

$K_s = 1 + \frac{1}{2C} \Rightarrow 1.043$

Cor. Curvature $K = \frac{C-1}{C(C-4)} + \frac{0.615}{C} = 1.123$

$\tau = K_s \frac{8W \cdot D}{\pi d^3}$

$\tau = K \frac{8W \cdot D}{\pi d^3} \Rightarrow \frac{8W \cdot C}{\pi d^2 \cdot K}$

$W = 412.7 \text{ N}$

$W = 383.4 \text{ N}$

$\frac{S}{n} = \frac{8W \cdot D^3}{\pi d^4}$

$\frac{S}{n} = \frac{8W \cdot D^3}{\pi d^4}$

$\Rightarrow 9.96 \text{ mm}$

$\frac{S}{n} = 9.26 \text{ mm}$

Energy stored in Helical Springs:

$$U = \frac{1}{2} W \cdot \delta$$

$$\tau = K \cdot \frac{8W \cdot D}{\pi d^3}$$

$$W = \frac{\pi d^3 \tau}{8KD}$$

$$\delta = \frac{8W D^3 n}{G \cdot d^4} \Rightarrow \frac{\pi \tau D^2 n}{K \cdot d \cdot G}$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi d^3 \tau}{8KD} \times \frac{\pi \tau D^2 n}{K \cdot d \cdot G}$$

$$U \Rightarrow \frac{\tau^2}{4K^2 G} (\pi D \cdot n) \cdot \left(\frac{\pi}{4} d^2 \right)$$

volume

$$U = \frac{\tau^2}{4K^2 G} \cdot V$$

Helical Springs Subjected to fatigue loading:-
By modified Soderberg line:-

Show:

$$\frac{1}{F.S.} = \frac{\tau_m - \tau_o}{\tau_y} + \frac{2\tau_o}{\tau_e}$$

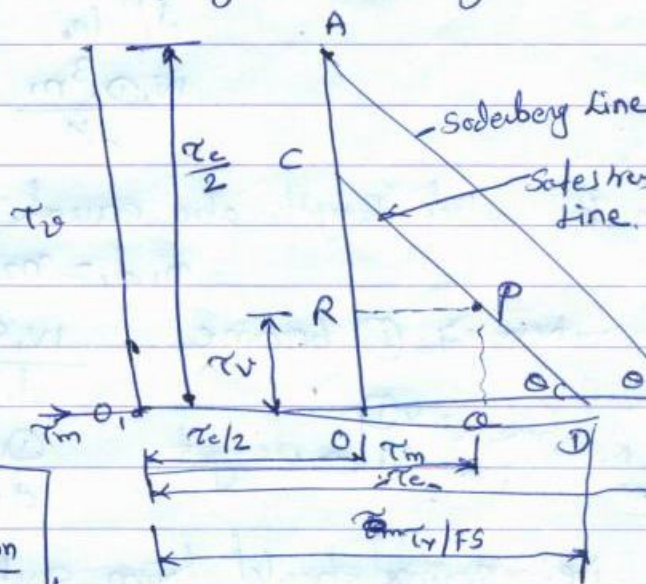
$$F.S. = \frac{\tau_y}{\tau_m - \tau_o + \frac{2\tau_o \tau_y}{\tau_e}}$$

$$\tau_m = K_s \frac{8W_m \cdot D}{\pi d^3}$$

$$K_s = 1 + \frac{1}{2C} \quad \& \quad W_m = \frac{W_{max} + W_{min}}{2}$$

$$\tau_o = K \frac{8W_o \cdot D}{\pi d^3}$$

$$K = \frac{4C-1}{4Cn} + \frac{0.615}{C} \quad \& \quad W_o = \frac{W_{max} - W_{min}}{2}$$



Concentric or Composite Spring:

- To obtain greater spring force within space
- To ensure the operations of a mechanism in the event of failure of one of the springs.
- Assume both spring have same material, then the maximum shear stress in both springs is same i.e.

$$\tau_1 = \tau_2$$

$$\frac{8W_1 D_1 K_1}{\pi d_1^3} = \frac{8W_2 D_2 K_2}{\pi d_2^3}$$

when $K_1 = K_2$

$$\boxed{\frac{W_1 D_1}{d_1^3} = \frac{W_2 D_2}{d_2^3}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

∴ $\delta_1 = \delta_2$

$$\frac{8W_1 D_1^3 n_1}{d_1^4 l_1} = \frac{8W_2 D_2^3 n_2}{d_2^4 l_2}$$

$$\frac{W_1 D_1^3 n_1}{d_1^4} = \frac{W_2 D_2^3 n_2}{d_2^4} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

∴ solid length also equal

$$n_1 d_1 = n_2 d_2$$

then eq. (2) become $\frac{W_1 D_1^3}{d_1^5} = \frac{W_2 D_2^3}{d_2^5} \quad \text{--- (3)}$

Now from (3) & (1)

i.e. $\frac{3}{1} \rightarrow$ we get $\frac{D_1}{d_1} = \frac{D_2}{d_2} = C$ Spring Index --- (4)

i.e. springs should design such that spring index will be same from eq. (1) & (4)

$$\left| \frac{W_1}{W_2} = \frac{d_1^2}{d_2^2} \right| \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Radial clearance
b/w two springs

$$c = \left(\frac{D_1}{2} - \frac{D_2}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{d_1}{2} + \frac{d_2}{2} \right) \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

& usually it is taken as $\Rightarrow d_1 - d_2 / 2$ --- (7)

So from 6 & 7 $\frac{D_1 - D_2}{2} = d_1$

from eq. (4) $C d_1 - C d_2 = 2 d_1$

$$\boxed{\Rightarrow \frac{d_1}{d_2} = \frac{C}{C-2} \Leftarrow}$$

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Helical Torsion Spring

made from round wire.

rectangular or square wire.

- The ends are shaped to transmit torque.

- primary stress is Bending stress

- A little consideration will show that the radius of curvature

of coils changes when the twisting moment is applied.

show $\sigma_b = K \frac{32M}{\pi d^3} \Rightarrow K \times \frac{32 \cdot W \cdot y}{\pi d^3}$

$K = Wahl's \text{ factor} \Rightarrow \frac{4C^2 - C - 1}{4C^2 - 4C}$

Now $\theta = \frac{M \cdot l}{E \cdot I} \Rightarrow \frac{M \times \pi D n}{E \times \pi d^4 / 64}$

$\theta \Rightarrow \frac{64 M D n}{E \cdot d^4}$

Now $\delta \Rightarrow \theta \times y \Rightarrow \frac{64 M D n \times y}{E d^4}$

in case of rectangular Spring: width - b & thickness t

$\sigma_b = K \cdot \frac{6M}{t \cdot b^2} \Rightarrow K \frac{6W \cdot y}{t \cdot b^2}$

$K = \frac{3C^2 - C - 0.8}{3C^2 - 3C}$

$\theta = \frac{12 \pi M D n}{E \cdot t \cdot b^3}$ &

$\delta = \theta y \Rightarrow \frac{12 \pi M D n \cdot y}{E \cdot t \cdot b^3}$

C - Spring index

M - Bending moment $\rightarrow W \cdot y$

W - load

y - distance W & Axis

d - Spring wire diameter

l = length of wire $\rightarrow \pi D n$

For square Spring

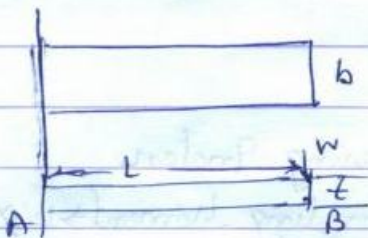
$\sigma_b = K \cdot \frac{6W \cdot y}{b^3}$

$\delta = \frac{12 \pi M D n \cdot y}{E b^4}$

Laminated / Leaf Springs / Flat Springs:

- made out of flat plate
- Advantage over ~~leaf~~ Helical spring is that the ends of the spring may be guided along a definite path as it deflects to act as a structural member in addition to Energy absorbing device. Thus leaf spring may carry: lateral loads, brake torque, driving torque etc. in addition to shocks.

Consider a single plate fixed at one end & loaded at other end



t - thickness

b - width

L - length

W - load

$$\frac{M}{I} = \frac{\sigma}{r} = \frac{E}{R}$$

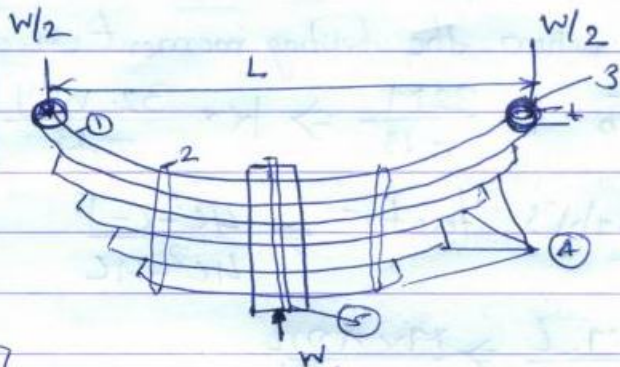
$$M = W \cdot L$$

$$z = \frac{I}{y} \Rightarrow \frac{bt^3/12}{t/2} \Rightarrow \frac{bt^2}{6}$$

Section modulus

$$\sigma = \frac{M}{z} \Rightarrow \frac{WL}{bt^2/6}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{6 \cdot W \cdot L}{b \cdot t^2}$$



1 - master leaf

2 - Metal clips / Rebound

3 - Eye to body & shackle

A - Additional Springs

5 - U-Bolt

Types \rightarrow Semi Elliptical

Quarter - - -

Three Quarter - - -

full Elliptical

transverse

We know max deflection of cantilever with load w at end is

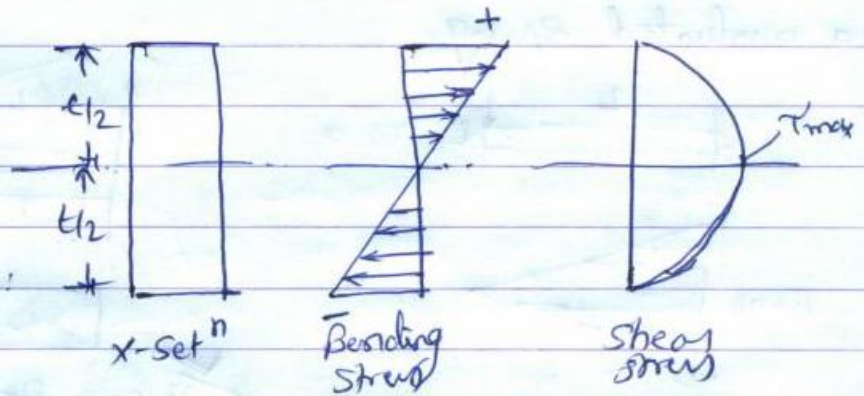
$$\delta = \frac{WL^3}{3 \cdot E \cdot I} \Rightarrow \frac{W \cdot L^3}{3 \cdot E \cdot bt^3/12} \Rightarrow \frac{4WL^3}{E \cdot b \cdot t^3} \Rightarrow \frac{6WL}{bt^2} \times \frac{4L^2}{6t}$$

$$\delta = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\sigma L^2}{E \cdot t}$$

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It is noted that due to bending moment top fibres in tension & bottom are in compression, but shear stress is zero at extreme fibres & max. at Centre.

Hence for analysis, both stresses not to be taken into account simultaneously, we shall consider the bending stress only.



If the spring is not cantilever type but it is like a simply supported beam with length $2L$ & load $2W$ in the centre

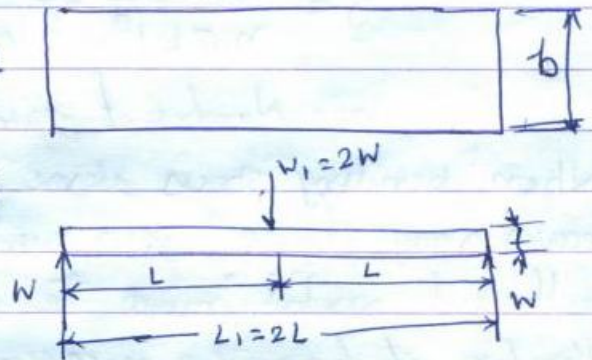
Max. bending moment in the centre

$$M = W \cdot L ; \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M = \frac{W_1}{2} \times \frac{L_1}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{2W}{2} \times \frac{2L}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

Section Modulus $Z = \frac{b t^2}{6}$

Bending Stress $\sigma = \frac{M}{Z} \Rightarrow \frac{W \cdot L}{b \cdot t^2 / 6}$

$$|\sigma = \frac{6WL}{b \cdot t^2}|$$



We know max. deflection of simply supported beam load at centre:

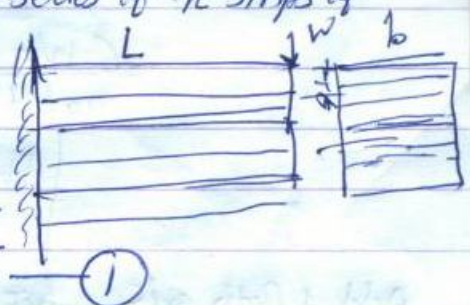
$$\delta = \frac{W_1 \cdot L_1^3}{48EI} \Rightarrow \frac{2W \cdot (2L)^3}{48EI} \Rightarrow \frac{W \cdot L^3}{3EI} \Rightarrow \frac{WL^3}{3E \cdot bt^3/12} \Rightarrow \frac{4WL^3}{E \cdot bt^3}$$

From above eq. we see that a spring such as with length $2L$ & load in centre $2W$, may be treated as double cantilever.

If the plate of cantilever is cut into a series of n strips of width b & placed below each other:

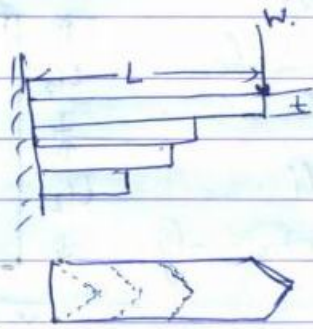
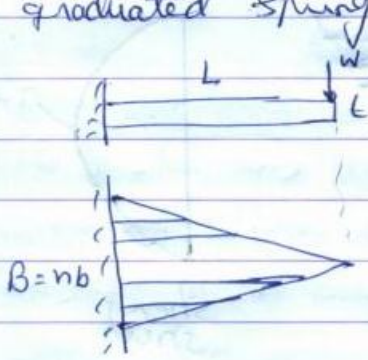
then $\sigma = \frac{\sigma \cdot W \cdot L}{n \cdot b \cdot t^2}$

$$\delta = \frac{4WL^3}{E \cdot b \cdot t^3 \cdot n} \Rightarrow \frac{2\sigma L^2}{3E \cdot t}$$



The above relations give the stress & deflection of leaf spring of uniform x-section. Thus stress at each strip is max. at support.

If a Δ plate is used, the stress will be uniform throughout. If this Δ plate is cut into strips of uniform width and placed on below the other to form a graduated spring.



$$\sigma = \frac{6 \cdot W \cdot L}{n \cdot b \cdot t^2}$$

$$\delta = \frac{6 \cdot W \cdot L^3}{n \cdot E \cdot b \cdot t^3} \Rightarrow \frac{\sigma \cdot L^2}{E \cdot t} \quad \text{--- (2) } \Rightarrow \frac{6WL^3}{nE \cdot b \cdot t^3}$$

It can be proved that the deflection at the load point of a plate given by $\delta = \frac{WL^3}{2EI} \Rightarrow \frac{WL^3}{2E(\frac{1}{2}nb \cdot t^3)}$

n = Number of graduated leaves

When bending stress alone is considered, the graduated leaves may have zero widths at the loaded end. But sufficient metal must be provided to support the shear therefore it becomes necessary to have one or more leaves of uniform x -setⁿ extending clear to the end. We see from equations (1) & (2) that for the same deflection, the stress in the uniform x -setⁿ leaves (i.e. full length leaves) is 50% greater than in the graduated leaves, assuming that each spring element deflects according to its own elastic curve. If the suffix F & G are used to indicate the full length & graduated leaves, then,

$$\sigma_F = \frac{3}{2} \sigma_G$$

$$\delta_1 = \delta_2 \therefore \frac{2}{3} \frac{\sigma_F L^2}{E \cdot t} = \frac{\sigma_G^2}{E \cdot t}$$

$$\left[\sigma_G = \frac{2}{3} \sigma_F \right]$$

$$\frac{6WF L}{n_F b \cdot t^2} = \frac{3}{2} \left[\frac{6 \cdot W_G L}{n_G b \cdot t^2} \right]$$

$$\text{or } \left| \frac{WF}{W_G} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{n_F}{n_G} \right| \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\text{Add 1 both side } \frac{WF}{W_G} + 1 \Rightarrow \frac{3n_F + 1}{2n_G} + 1 \Rightarrow \frac{WF + W_G}{W_G} = \frac{3n_F + 2n_G}{2n_G}$$

$$W_G = \left(\frac{2n_G}{3n_F + 2n_G} \right) W \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$W = \text{Total load on Spring} = W_u + W_F$

$W_u = \text{load taken up by graduated leaves}$

$W_F = \text{load taken up by full length leaves.}$

Again from eq. (3) $\frac{W_u}{W_F} = \frac{2n_u}{3n_F}$ a/c. 4 both side.

$$W_F = \left(\frac{3n_F}{2n_u + 3n_F} \right) W. \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Bending stress for full length leaves

$$\sigma_F = \frac{6WFL}{n_F b \cdot t^2} \Rightarrow \frac{6L}{n_F b t^2} \left[\frac{3n_F}{2n_u + 3n_F} \right] W.$$

$$\sigma_F = \frac{18WL}{b \cdot t^2 (2n_u + 3n_F)} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$$\sigma_F = \frac{3}{2} \sigma_u; \quad \sigma_u = \frac{2}{3} \sigma_F.$$

$$\sigma_F = \frac{12W \cdot L}{b t^2 (2n_u + 3n_F)} \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

The deflection of full length & graduated leaves are given by eq. (1)

$$\delta = \frac{2\sigma_F L^2}{3 \cdot E \cdot t} \Rightarrow \frac{2L^2}{3Et} \left[\frac{18W \cdot L}{b \cdot t^2 (2n_u + 3n_F)} \right]$$

$$\delta = \frac{12W \cdot L^3}{E \cdot b \cdot t^3 (2n_u + 3n_F)} \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

Nipping of Leaf Springs: - / stresses due to supports / hinges.

- As discussed in the previous section, the stresses in ~~the~~ full

The master leaf of laminated spring is hinged to the supports. The supports free induces, stresses due to longitudinal forces & stresses arising due to possible twist. Hence the master leaf is more stressed compared to other graduated leaves.

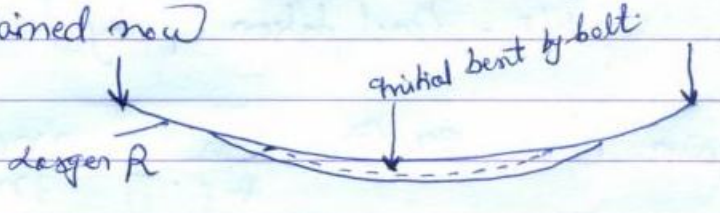
So Method of reducing additional stresses could be:

A. Master leaf is made by stronger material than others.

B. Master leaf is made thinner than the other leaves

$$b \propto 1/t^2.$$

B. Another common practice is to ~~increase~~ ^{increase} the radius of curvature of the master leaf than next leaf. The last one is explained now



The master leaf has a larger radius of curvature compared to the additional leaf

← Nipping →

that is placed below so a gap will be created b/w the two leaves as indicated in figure. And a initial bent is created during assembly by belt therefore some amount of compressive stress will be produced at the inside of curvature of master leaf. Similarly at the outside curvature of master leaf tensile stress will be produced. Both these are initial in master leaf. However by such belt tightening the additional leaf that is placed beneath the master leaf has a tendency to flatten out & as a result the stress pattern of additional leaf will be reverse of that of master leaf i.e. tensile stress is at inner curvature & compressive at outer curvature. Hence when spring is loaded, for both the master leaf & additional leaf tensile stress will be produced at the inner curvature & compressive at outer curvature. Therefore due to opposite nature of initial stress & loading stress, the master leaf will be experience lesser stress on both the surfaces.

However due to same nature of initial stress & loading the additional leaf is stressed more compared to master leaf. But it is to be noted that the highest stress on additional leaf is actually shared b/w all other leaves than master leaf. This practice of stress relief in the master leaf is known as Nipping of leaf Spring. As a matter of fact, all the leaves do have certain amount of nipping, so that there will be gaps between the leaves as a result the stresses will be uniformly distributed & accumulated.