Example 14.7

The L-shaped frame ABC has a square cross section of side dimension b. This frame is supported by a fixed pin at A and by a roller at C. Determine the maximum principal stresses and the maximum in-plane shear stress at points D and E in the cross section at the location at a distance of d from A.



SOLUTION From the FBD of the frame: $\sum M_A = C_x L - P(Lsin\theta) = 0 \implies C_x = Psin\theta$

From the FBD of the cut section:

$$\sum M_{H} = -M - (Psin\theta)(Lcos\theta - d) + (C_{x}cos\theta)(Lcos\theta - d) - (C_{x}sin\theta)(Lsin\theta) = 0 \implies M = \left[sin\theta(cos\theta - 1)(Lcos\theta - d) - Lsin^{3}\theta\right]P$$
$$\sum F_{x} = C_{x} - Fsin\theta + Vcos\theta = 0 \implies -Fsin\theta + Vcos\theta = -Psin\theta \sum F_{x} = Fcos\theta + Vsin\theta - P = 0 \implies Fcos\theta + Vsin\theta = P$$

Solve the above two equations for the internal reactions F and V.

Stress distribution at cut:



<u>At D</u>:

$$\sigma = \sigma_1 = \frac{F}{A} \quad ; \quad A = b^2$$
$$\tau = (\tau_3)_{max} = \frac{3V}{2A}$$

Therefore:

$$\sigma_{ave} = \frac{\sigma}{2} = \frac{F}{2A} \quad ; \quad R = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2} > \sigma_{ave}$$

$$\sigma_{P1} = \sigma_{ave} + R > 0$$

$$\sigma_{P2} = \sigma_{ave} - R < 0$$

$$(\tau_{max})_{in-plane} = R$$

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<u>At E</u>:

$$\sigma = \sigma_1 - (\sigma_2)_{max} = \frac{F}{A} - \frac{M(b/2)}{I} ; \quad A = b^2 \quad and \quad I = b^4 / 12$$

$$\tau = 0$$

Therefore:

$$\sigma_{ave} = \frac{\sigma}{2} = \frac{F}{2A} - \frac{Mb}{4I} \quad ; \quad R = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right)^2 + 0} = \sigma_{ave}$$

$$\sigma_{P1} = \sigma_{ave} + R = 2\sigma_{ave}$$

$$\sigma_{P2} = \sigma_{ave} - R = 0$$

$$(\tau_{max})_{in-plane} = R = \sigma_{ave}$$