

Shaft Design

I. Design Criterion

* Shaft Rigidity Guidelines

Case	Lateral Deflection	Torsional Deflection
transmission shaft	$0.01L$	-----
line shaft	$0.01L$	-----
machinery	$0.002L$	$0.1^\circ L$ or $0.5^\circ L/d$
machine tools	-----	1°

* Loading Checklist

Type

bending forces & moments

torque

axial

} Thin hollow shafts may buckle.

Potential Sources

intended operating loads

possible operating loads

starting and stopping torques

shaft weight

resonance (lateral and torsion)

key fits

press fits

unbalance

misalignment

seals

restricted thermal growth

centrifugal

fluid or windage losses

developed pressures

fluctuating forces (most often due to gear tooth mesh)

impacts

* Materials

Most Common Material

AISI 1020-1050 or 1100

Higher Strength Alloys

AISI 1340-50, 3140-50, 4140, 4340, 5140, 8650

Surface Hardening

induction heating of medium carbon steels

carburizing of low carbon steels

General Practice

0-3.5 in shafts \Rightarrow cold rolled & drawn steels
or cold drawn and ground

3.5 in - 6 in shafts \Rightarrow hot rolled & machined

6 in > shafts \Rightarrow forged & machined

* lowering Stress Concentrations

See figure 37-1!

Required Shaft Diameters

Torsional Rigidity

$$\theta = \frac{TL}{JG} \quad (1)$$

Torsional Strength

$$\tau = \frac{Tc}{J} \quad (2)$$

Bending Strength

$$\sigma = \frac{Mc}{I} \quad (3)$$

Using failure theories and fatigue methods as developed previously in class the equations in table 37-3 can be derived.

Looking at the development of combined torsion and bending diameter equation,

$$\tau = \frac{Tc}{J} \quad (4)$$

$$\sigma = \frac{Mc}{I} \quad (5)$$

$$J = \frac{\pi d^4}{32} \quad (6)$$

$$I = \frac{\pi d^4}{64} \quad (7)$$

$$c = \frac{d}{2} \quad (\text{for maximum stress level}) \quad (8)$$

DET (von Mises)

$$\left[(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 \right] \geq 2 \sigma_f^2 \quad (9)$$

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \left[\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (10)$$

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \left[\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (11)$$

Rewriting eq. 10 & 11 in terms of eq. 4 & 5,

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma}{2} + \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{2} \right)^2 + \tau^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (12)$$

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma}{2} - \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{2} \right)^2 + \tau^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (13)$$

Substituting eqs. 12 & 13 into eq. 9,

$$\left[\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{4} + \tau^2 \right) + \left(\frac{\sigma}{2} \right)^2 + 2 \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{2} \right)^2 + \tau^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\frac{\sigma}{2} \right)^2 + \tau^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{2} \right)^2 - 2 \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{2} \right)^2 + \tau^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\frac{\sigma}{2} \right)^2 + \tau^2 \right] \geq 2\sigma_f^2 \quad (14)$$

Simplifying,

$$\left[\sigma^2 + 3\tau^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq \sigma_f \quad (15)$$

and since eqs. 4 & 5 can be written as,

$$\tau = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3} \quad (16)$$

$$\sigma = \frac{32M}{\pi d} \quad (17)$$

and if the failure stress is expressed as,

$$\sigma_f = \frac{\sigma_{yp}}{FS} \quad (18)$$

we can rearrange eq. 15 and solve for d ,

$$d = \left[\frac{32 FS}{\pi \sigma_{yp}} \left(m^2 + \frac{3T^2}{4} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} \quad 19$$

Similar derivations can be extended to the other equations in table 37-3.

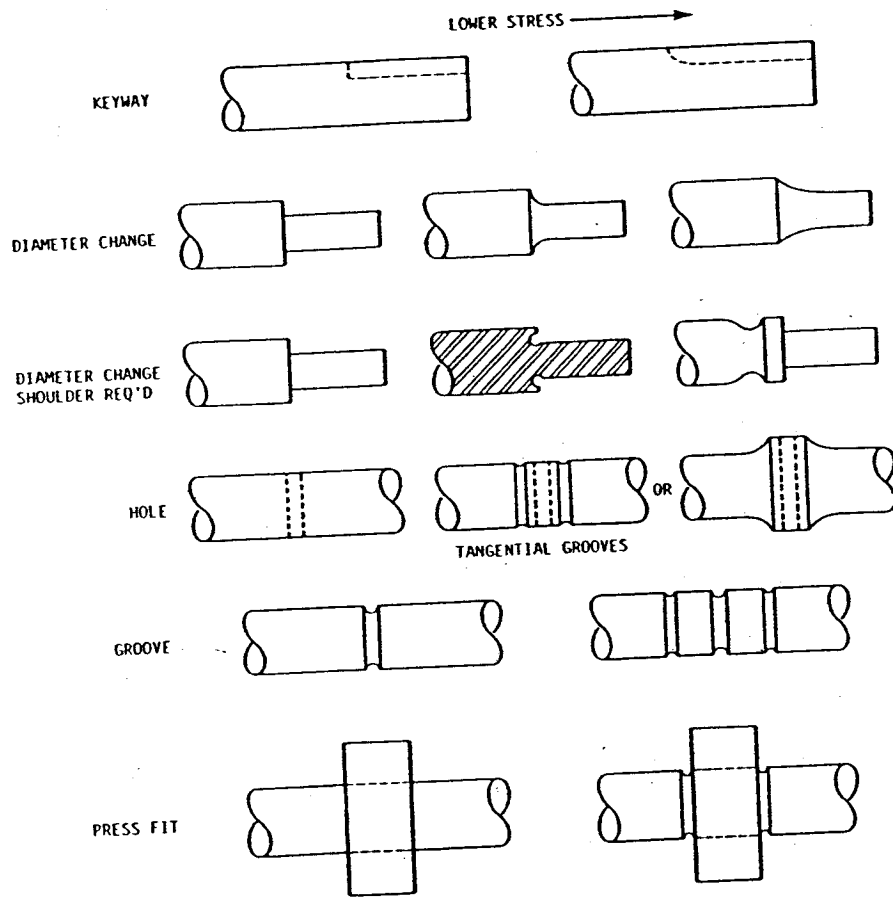


FIG. 37-1 Lowering stress concentrations.

TABLE 37-3 Required Shaft Diameter for Various Loadings†

Loading	Diameter	Equation	Remarks
Static			
Torsion	$d = \left(\frac{16\sqrt{3}nT}{\pi S_y} \right)^{1/3}$	(37-11)	
Bending	$d = \left(\frac{32nM}{\pi S_y} \right)^{1/3}$	(37-14)	
Torsion and bending	$d = \left[\frac{32n}{\pi S_y} \left(M^2 + \frac{3T^2}{4} \right)^{1/2} \right]^{1/3}$	(37-16)	
Dynamic			
Reversed bending and steady torque	$d = \left[\frac{32n}{\pi} \left(\frac{M}{S_r} + \frac{\sqrt{3}T}{2S_u} \right) \right]^{1/3}$	(37-18)	Ref. [37-13]
	$d = \left[\frac{32n}{\pi} \left[\left(\frac{M}{S_r} \right)^2 + \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{T}{S_u} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \right]^{1/3}$	(37-19)	Distortion energy—elliptic; new ASME standard per Refs. [37-3] and [37-18]
	$d = \left[\frac{32n}{\pi} \left[\left(\frac{M}{S_r} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{T}{S_y} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \right]^{1/3}$	(37-20)	Maximum shear—Soderberg; Ref. [37-14] and [37-15]
Mean plus alternating: bending and torque	$d = \left(\frac{32n}{\pi} \left[\left[\left(\frac{M_a}{S_r} \right)^2 + \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{T_a}{S_r} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} + \left[\left(\frac{M_m}{S_u} \right)^2 + \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{T_m}{S_u} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \right) \right]^{1/3}$	(37-21)	Ref. [37-16]
	$d = \left[\frac{32n}{\pi} \left[\left(\frac{M_a}{S_r} + \frac{M_m}{S_y} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{T_a}{S_r} + \frac{T_m}{S_y} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \right]^{1/3}$	(37-22)	Maximum shear—Soderberg; Ref. [37-15]
Mean plus alternating: bending, torque, and axial loads	$d = \left[\frac{32n}{\pi S_r} \left[\left(M_a + \frac{P_a d}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{3T_a^2}{4} \right]^{1/2} + \frac{32n}{\pi S_u} \left[\left(M_m + \frac{P_m d}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{3T_m^2}{4} \right]^{1/2} \right]^{1/3}$	(37-23)	Not explicit in d ; use iterative methods to solve; Refs. [37-16], [37-17]

†For solid round ductile material; unless noted otherwise, the equations are based on distortion energy, Goodman.