

Three full-size 50×100 -mm boards are nailed together to form a beam that is subjected to a vertical shear of 1500 N. Knowing that the allowable shearing force in each nail is 400 N, determine the largest longitudinal spacing *s* that can be used between each pair of nails.

SOLUTION





For the beam and loading shown, consider section n-n and determine (a) the largest shearing stress in that section, (b) the shearing stress at point a.

SOLUTION

At section *n*-*n*, V = 10 kN. $I = I_1 + 4I_2$ $=\frac{1}{12}b_{1}h_{1}^{3}+4\left(\frac{1}{12}b_{2}h_{2}^{3}+A_{2}d_{2}^{2}\right)$ $=\frac{1}{12}(100)(150)^{3} + 4\left[\left(\frac{1}{12}\right)(50)(12)^{3} + (50)(12)(69)^{2}\right]$ $= 28.125 \times 10^{6} + 4 \left[0.0072 \times 10^{6} + 2.8566 \times 10^{6} \right]$ $= 39.58 \times 10^{6} \text{ mm}^{4} = 39.58 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^{4}$ (a) $Q = A_1 \overline{v}_1 + 2A_2 \overline{v}_2$ = (100)(75)(37.5) + (2)(50)(12)(69) $= 364.05 \times 10^3 \text{ mm}^3 = 364.05 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$ t = 100 mm = 0.100 m $\tau_{\rm max} = \frac{VQ}{It} = \frac{(10 \times 10^3)(364.05 \times 10^{-6})}{(39.58 \times 10^{-6})(0.100)} = 920 \times 10^3 \,{\rm Pa}$ $\tau_{\rm max} = 920 \text{ kPa}$ $Q = A_1 \overline{y}_1 + 2A_2 \overline{y}_2$ *(b)* = (100)(40)(55) + (2)(50)(12)(69) $= 302.8 \times 10^3 \,\mathrm{mm^3} = 302.8 \times 10^{-6} \,\mathrm{m^3}$ t = 100 mm = 0.100 m $\tau_a = \frac{VQ}{It} = \frac{(10 \times 10^3)(302.8 \times 10^{-6})}{(39.58 \times 10^{-6})(0.100)} = 765 \times 10^3 \,\mathrm{Pa}$ $\tau_a = 765 \text{ kPa}$



For the beam and loading shown, determine the minimum required width *b*, knowing that for the grade of timber used, $\sigma_{all} = 12$ MPa and $\tau_{all} = 825$ kPa.

SOLUTION

Bending:

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$$\Sigma M_D = 0$$
: -3A + (2)(2.4) + (1)(4.8) - (0.5)(7.2) = 0
A = 2 kN ↑

Draw the shear and bending moment diagrams.



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For a rectangular section,

Shear: Maximum shearing stress occurs at the neutral axis of bending for a rectangular section.

$$A = \frac{1}{2}bh, \quad \overline{y} = \frac{1}{4}h, \quad Q = A\overline{y} = \frac{1}{8}bh^{2}$$

$$I = \frac{1}{12}bh^{3} \quad t = b$$

$$\tau = \frac{VQ}{It} = \frac{V(\frac{1}{8}bh^{2})}{(\frac{1}{12}bh^{3})(b)} = \frac{3}{2}\frac{V}{bh}$$

$$b = \frac{3V}{2h\tau} = \frac{(3)(7.2 \times 10^{3})}{(2)(150 \times 10^{-3})(825 \times 10^{3})} = 87.3 \times 10^{-3} \,\mathrm{m}$$

The required value of b is the larger one.

b = 87.3 mm ◀

2.4 KN 4.8 KN 7.2 KN



For the beam and loading shown, consider section n-n and determine the shearing stress at (a) point a, (b) the shearing stress at point b.

SOLUTION



At section *n*-*n*,

$$R_A = R_B = 100 \text{ kN}$$

 $V = 100 \text{ kN}$

Locate centroid and calculate moment of inertia.

Part	$A(\text{mm}^2)$	$\overline{y}(mm)$	$A\overline{y}(\text{mm}^3)$	<i>d</i> (mm)	$Ad^2(\text{mm}^4)$	$\overline{I}(\text{mm}^4)$
1	3200	170	544000	55.4	9821312	106667
2	7200	90	648000	24.6	4357152	19440000
Σ	10400		1192000		14178464	19546667



$$\overline{Y} = \frac{\Sigma A \overline{y}}{\Sigma A} = \frac{1192000}{104.00} = 114.6 \text{ mm}$$

$$I = \Sigma A d^2 + \Sigma \overline{I} = 14178464 + 19546667 = 33.725 \times 10^6$$
(a) $Q_a = A \overline{y} = (20)(38)(114.6 - 19) = 72656 \text{ mm}^3$

$$t = 20 \text{ mm}$$

$$\tau_a = \frac{VQ}{It} = \frac{(100000)(72656)}{(33.725 \times 10^6)(20)} = 10.8 \text{ MPa}$$
(b) $Q_b = A \overline{y} = (20)(76)(114.6 - 38) = 1164.32 \text{ mm}^9$

$$t = 20 \text{ mm}$$

$$\tau_a = \frac{VQ}{It} = \frac{(100000)(116432)}{(33.725 \times 10^6)(20)} = 17.3 \text{ MPa}$$