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Structural Analysis of Multilayer Pressure Vessels for Different Shapes of Cross Sections by Using FEM

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ABSTRACT: Sandwich structures have been widely used in aerospace structures, ship building, infrastructure, etc. due to their light weight and high strength to weight ratio. Traditionally, light-weight core materials such as foam core, truss core, honeycomb core have been used in fabricating sandwich structures with limited success. The aim of this work is to evaluate the effect of core shape in sandwich panels. The different core shapes panels, namely Rectangular Core, Hollow Rectangular Core, Circular Core and elliptical core sandwich panels are taken into study and their mechanical behaviour is compare using simulations techniques. There are many applications based on sandwich structures, but in this project we have taken the pressure vessel as application. The core shape structures are placed in between the layers of the pressure vessel to improve the strength and to reduce the weight of the pressure vessel. To find out the best core shape sandwich structure we have used simulation techniques.

KEYWORDS: ANSYS, SOLID WORKS, Multi Layer Pressure Vessels.

I. INTRODUCTION

A sandwich structure is a fabricated material that consists of two thin, stiff facing sheets joined to either side of a low density core material or structure. The separation of the facing by a light weight core acts to significantly increase the second moment of area (and hence the bending stiffness) of the material cross section with only a small increase in weight. The construction is often used in light weight applications such as aircraft, marine applications, wind turbine blades, industrial platform sand floors. The face sheets of sandwich panels provide structural stiffness and protect the core against damage and weathering. During loading, the face sheet stake compressive and tensile loads and core is subjected to shear loads between the faces, thus providing high bending stiffness. Sandwich structures are used in applications requiring high stiffness to weight ratios, since for a given weight, the sandwich structure has a much higher moment of inertia compared to solid.

Steel sandwich panels : Metallic sandwich panels with top and bottom plates as well as the core made up of steel are called steel sandwich panels. The core structures are of different types according to core structures the steel sandwich structures are divided some of them are I-Core, O-Core, with rectangular beams ,with hat or corrugated sheets as a core, web core, round type of core and ellipsoid shape of material. Amongst all possible design concepts in composite structures, the idea of sandwich, The use of laminate composites as skins and low density cellular materials as cores in sandwich constructions has enabled a very good utilisation of the constituent material also providing structural components with high stiffness and strength to weight ratios Non metallic honeycombs are popular in high performance applications because of their good mechanical properties excellent resistance to hostile environments and better fatigue resistance than aluminium However because of the low stiffness of the core. They are susceptible to indentation failure The need to take into consideration the indentation. resistance of sandwich panels when optimising their design and the importance of having a robust computational tool to predict indentation failure in sandwich beams under bending have



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been the main motivations for this thesis Sandwich panels are popular in high performance applications where weight must be kept to a minimum for example aeronautical structures high speed marine craft and racing cars in the most weight critical applications composite materials are used for the skins cheaper alternatives such as aluminium alloy. steel or plywood are also commonly used Materials used for cores include polymers aluminium wood and composites To minimise weight these are used in the form of foams honeycombs or with a corrugated construction .As well as mechanical requirements core.



II. LITERATURE REVIEW

- V.N. Scoping sky and A.B. Smetankin describes the structural model and stress analysis of nozzle connections in ellipsoidal heads subjected to external loadings. They used Timoshenko shell theory and the finite element method. The features of the structural model of ellipsoid-cylinder shell intersections, numerical procedure and SAIS special-purpose computer program were discussed. A parametric study of the effects of geometric parameters on the maximum effective stresses in the ellipsoid-cylinder intersections under loading was performed. The results of the stress analysis and parametric study of the nozzle connections are presented
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Fig. 2. Core Shape Structures (a) Hollow rectangular type of core structure (b) Hollow circle type of core structure (c) Hollow ellipse type core structure (d) Rectangle type core structure.



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Hollow Rectangular section :



Circular section :





 $AREA = 942.47mm^2$

Rectangle section :



Hollow ellipse section :



Area = $\pi a_1 b_1 - \pi a_2 b_2$ = $\pi * 30 * 12 - \pi * 15 * 6$ Area = 848.23 mm^2

Upper plate and lower plate :



Upper plate Area A = 150*5= $750mm^2$ Lower plate Area A = 150*5= $750mm^2$

Calculation of weight of the whole bodies: Materialconsidered is Mild steel $\rho = 7.88 \ g/cm^3$

Weight of plate: $w_{p_1} = 0.75*0.05*788*9.81$ = 289.88 $w_p = w_{p_1} + w_{p_2}$ $w_p = 579.771$ Total weight of structure W = w+w_p W =1043.58+579.771 W = 1.623kg Hollow rectangular structure: W = volume*density*gravity Weight W = $A*l*\rho*g$ = $v*\rho*g$ = 0.9*0.05*788*9.81 $w_1 = 347.86$ $w = w_1 + w_2 + w_3$ w = 1043.58 gmRectangular structure: Weight of rectangular one $w_1 = A*L*\rho*g$ = 0.7*0.05*788

Weight of rectangular one $w_1 = A * L * \rho * g$ = 0.7*0.05*788*9.81 $w_1 = 270.5598$ $w = w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_4$ W = 1082.23gmWeight of the plate:- $w_{p_1} = 0.75 * 0.05 * 788 * 9.81$ = 289.88gm $w_p = w_{p_1} + w_{p_2}$ $w_p = 573.771gm$ Total weight of the structure body $W = w + w_p$ W = 1082.23 + 579.771W = 1.66kg



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Hollow circular structure:

Hollow ellipse structure:

Weight of the Hollow circular one $w_1 = A * L * \rho * g$ = 0.942*0.05*788*9.81 = 364.27 $w = w_1 + w_2 + w_3$ w = 1092.8gmTotal weight of the plates $w_p = w_{p_1} + w_{p_2}$ $w_p = 579.771$ Total Weight of the structural body $W = w + w_p$ = 1092.8+579.771W = 1.67kg Weight of the Hollow ellipse structure one $w_1 = A * L * \rho * g$ = 0.848*0.05*788*9.81 = 327.85 $w = w_1 + w_2 + w_3$, w = 983.55gm Weight of the plates $w_p = w_{p_1} + w_{p_2}$ $w_p = 579.771$ Total weight of the structure body $W = w + w_p$ = 1.56kg *Approximately Total Weight of the all core structure is 1.62kg

IV. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

Simulation of rectangle :



Mesh Information :



Name	Туре	Min	Max			
Stress1	VON: von	60.3632	559536			
	Mises Stress	N/m^2	N/m^2			
		Node:	Node: 2330			
		5827				
Provide a series of the series						

Resultant and Forces

Reaction Forces :

Selecti on set	Uni ts	Sum X	Sum Y	Sum Z	Resulta nt
Entire	Ν	-	-	-	149.96
Model		0.01220	0.002197	149.9	6
		99	45	66	

Reaction Moments :

Selection set	Units	Sum X	Sum Y	Sum Z	Resultant
Entire Model	N∙m	0	0	0	





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Name	Туре	Min	Max				
Strain1	ESTRN:	3.18091e-	1.75067e-				
	Equivalent	010	006				
	Strain	Element:	Element: 402				
		4499					
rect-Study 1-Strain-Strain1							

Similarly, by using ANSYS the stress, strain and displacement are found for Hollow Rectangle, Hollow Ellipse and Hollow Circle and the results are tabulated below:

Results obtained from the respective core shapes:

S NO	Structure	Strain	Stress	Displacement (mm)	Factor of Safety	Weight (N)
1	Rectangle	1.75067 x 10 ⁻⁶	559536 N/m ²	0.000223408	505.52	2.88387
2	Hollow Rectangle	8.7131 x 10 ⁻⁷	246640 N/m ²	9.0047 x 10 ⁻⁵	1146.85	2.88487
3	Hollow Ellipse	4.72003 x 10 ⁻⁶	1.65431 x 10 ⁶ N/m ²	0.000521869	170.96	2.88487
4	Hollow Circle	3.33632 x 10 ⁻⁶	$1.038 \text{ x} 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$	0.000383581	272.50	2.88487

Pressure Vessels

Pressure vessels are used to store and transmit liquids, vapour, and gases under pressure in general. The pressure of these finds will exert pressure equally in all direction on the walls and ends of pressure vessels .Because of the internal loading, stresses are including on certain section s of the cylinders (pressure vessels) wall. The pressure vessels (cylindrical or spherical) are generally used in engineering to store fluid under pressure .Major uses of pressure vessels are as follows

- Pressure vessels are used in steam boilers.
- Pressure vessels are also used in storage of chemical in chemical plants.
- Used in storage of petroleum products(petrol, diesel etc.).
- It is also used in engine cylinders.

Model of Pressure Vessels with various core shapes:



Fig. 3. (a) Hollow Circular core type vessel (b) Hollow ellipse core type vessel (c) Hollow Rectangular core type vessel (d) Rectangular core type vessel



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PRESSURE VESSEL CALCULATIONS :

Calculations on pressure vessels:



layers pressure vessel

Diameters of the 3layers pressure vessel 100,130,160,190(in mm) In pressure vessel majorly the failure occurs due to circumferential stress (σ_c) Calculating the hoop stress on layer one:-For layer one the inner and outer diameters are 100mm and 130mm $d_1 = 100mm$

 $d_2 = 130$ mm $r_1 = \frac{d_1}{2} = 50mm$ $r_2 = \frac{d_2}{2} = 65mm$

Circumferential stress or hoop stress:

 $\sigma_c = \frac{p_1 r_1^2}{r_1^2 - r_2^2} [\frac{r_2^2}{r_1^2} + 1]$ $K = \frac{r_2}{r_1}$ $p_1 = applied pressure$ $\sigma_c = \frac{30 \times 50^2}{65^2 - 50^2} [\frac{65^2}{50^2} + 1]$ $\sigma_c = 43.47[2.69]$ $\sigma_c = 116.93 N / mm^2$

Longitudinal stress :

$$\sigma_{l} = \frac{p_{1}r_{1}^{2}}{r_{1}^{2} - r_{2}^{2}}$$
$$\sigma_{l} = \frac{30 \cdot 50^{2}}{65^{2} - 50^{2}}$$
$$\sigma_{l} = 43.47N/mm^{2}$$

Maximum principal stress :

 $\sigma_{r} \left[\frac{k^{2}+1}{k^{2}-1} \right] \leq \sigma$ $K = \frac{r_{2}}{r_{1}} = \frac{65}{50} = 1.3$ $\sigma = 0$ $\sigma = allowablestress$ $\sigma_r = radialstress(or)$ Internal pressure $\sigma_r=30N/mm^2$ $30[\frac{1.3^2+1}{1.3^2-1}] \le 260$ 116.95 ≤ 260 Maximum principal strain : $\sigma_r = \frac{\sigma_c}{E} + \frac{\sigma_r}{mE} - \frac{\sigma_1}{mE}$ $\frac{1}{m} = 0.3$ $\sigma > \sigma_r [\frac{k^2 + 1}{k^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{m} [\frac{k^2 - 2}{k^2 - 1}]]$ $\sigma > 30[\frac{1.3^2 + 1}{1.3^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{m} [\frac{1.3^2 - 2}{1.3^2 - 1}]]$ 260 < 115.35

Maximum shear stress : $\frac{\sigma_c + \sigma_r}{2} = \frac{\sigma_r}{2} \left[\frac{k^2 + 1}{k^2 - 1} + 1 \right]$

 $=\frac{\sigma_r}{2k^2}$ $= \frac{1}{2} \frac{k^2 - 1}{k^2 - 1}$ $= \frac{30}{2} \frac{2(1.3)^2}{(1.3)^2 - 1}$ $\tau = 73.47 N / mm^2$

Laver two:-Diameters: - d_2 =130mm Radius: - $r_2 = \frac{130}{2} = 65$ mm $r_3 = \frac{160}{2} = 80$ mm $d_3 = 160 \text{mm}$ Hoop stress $\sigma_c = \frac{p_1 r_2^2}{r_2^2 - r_3^2} [\frac{r_3^2}{r_2^2} + 1]$ $\frac{r_3}{r_2} = k$ r_2 $\frac{30*65^2}{80^2-65^2}[\frac{80^2}{65^2}+1]$ =

$$= 58.27[2.51]$$

$$\sigma_c = 146.27N/mm^2$$

Longitudinal stress :

$$\sigma_{l} = \frac{p_{1}r_{2}^{2}}{r_{3}^{2} - r_{2}^{2}}$$
$$= \frac{\frac{30*65^{2}}{80^{2} - 65^{2}}}{\sigma_{l}}$$
$$= \frac{58.27N/mm^{2}}{\sigma_{l}}$$

Max principal stress :

Max product $\sigma_r[\frac{k^2+1}{k^2-1}] \leq \sigma$ $K = \frac{r_3}{r_2} = \frac{80}{65} = 1.23$ $\sigma = allowablestress$ $\sigma_r = radialstress(or)$ Internal pressure $\sigma_r = 30N/mm^2$ $30[\frac{1.23^2+1}{1.23^2-1}] \le 260$ $146.98 \le 260$ Maximum principal strain : $\sigma_r = \frac{\sigma_c}{E} + \frac{\bar{\sigma_r}}{mE} - \frac{\sigma_1}{mE}$ $\frac{1}{m} = 0.3$ $\sigma \ge \sigma_r [\frac{k^2 + 1}{k^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{m} [\frac{k^2 - 2}{k^2 - 1}]]$ $\sigma \ge 30[\frac{1.23^2 + 1}{1.23^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{m} [\frac{1.23^2 - 2}{1.23^2 - 1}]]$ $260 \ge 30[4.899 - 0.284]$ $260 \ge 139.44 \text{ or } f$

260≥ 138.46 safe

Maximum shear stress:

 $\mathbf{\tau} = \frac{\sigma_c + \sigma_r}{2} = \frac{\sigma_r}{2} \left[\frac{k^2 + 1}{k^2 - 1} + 1 \right]$ $= \frac{\sigma_r}{2} \frac{2k^2}{k^2 - 1}$ $= \frac{1}{2} \frac{k^2 - 1}{k^2 - 1}$ $= \frac{30}{2} \frac{2(1.23)^2}{(1.23)^2 - 1}$ $\tau = 88.49 N / mm^2$

Layer three:-Diameters: - d_3 =160mm Radius: - $r_2 = \frac{160}{2} = 80$ mm $r_3 = \frac{190}{2} = 95$ mm $d_4 = 190 \text{mm}$ Hoop stress

$$\sigma_{c} = \frac{p_{1}r_{3}^{2}}{r_{4}^{2} - r_{3}^{2}} [\frac{r_{4}^{2}}{r_{3}^{2}} + 1]$$

$$\frac{r_{4}}{r_{3}} = k$$

$$\sigma_{c} = \frac{30*95^{2}}{95^{2} - 80^{2}} [\frac{95^{2}}{80^{2}} + 1]$$

$$= 73.14[2.41]$$

$$\sigma_{c} = 176.27N/mm^{2}$$
Longitudinal stress:-
$$\sigma_{l} = \frac{p_{1}r_{3}^{2}}{r_{4}^{2} - r_{3}^{2}}$$

$$\sigma_{l} = \frac{30*80^{2}}{95^{2} - 80^{2}}$$

$$\sigma_{l} = 73.14N/mm^{2}$$

Maximum principal stress :

 $\sigma_{r} [\frac{k^{2}+1}{k^{2}-1}] \leq \sigma$ $K = \frac{r_{4}}{r_{3}} = \frac{95}{80} = 1.1875$ $\sigma = allowable stress$ $\sigma_r = radial \ stress(or)$ Internal pressure $\sigma_r=30N/mm^2$ $30\left[\frac{1.1875^2 + 1}{1.1875^2 - 1}\right] \le 260$ $176.28 \le 260$ Maximum principal strain: $\sigma_r = \frac{\sigma_c}{E} + \frac{\sigma_r}{mE} - \frac{\sigma_1}{mE}$ $\frac{1}{m} = 0.$ σ

$$> \sigma_r [\frac{k^2 + 1}{k^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{m} [\frac{k^2 - 2}{k^2 - 1}]]$$

$$\sigma > 30[\frac{1.1875^2 + 1}{1.1875^2 - 1} + 0.3[\frac{1.1875^2 - 2}{1.1875^2 - 1}]]$$

$$260> 30[4.899 - 0.284]$$

$$260> 163.35$$

Maximum shear stress:

 $\mathbf{\tau} = \frac{\sigma_c + \sigma_r}{2} = \frac{\sigma_r}{2} \left[\frac{k^2 + 1}{k^2 - 1} + 1 \right]$ $\mathbf{\tau} = \frac{\sigma_r}{2k^2 - 1} \frac{2k^2}{k^2 - 1}$ 30 2(1.1875)² $\tau = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(1.1875)^2 - 1}$

 $\mathbf{\tau}=103.142N/mm^2$ Considering as a three layer in to single layer:-



single layer pressure vessel

Diameters: - d_1 =100mm Radius: $-r_1 = \frac{100}{2} = 50$ mm $r_2 = \frac{190}{2} = 95$ mm

Hoop stress

$$\sigma_c = \frac{p_1 r_1^2}{r_2^2 - r_1^2} [\frac{r_2^2}{r_1^2} + 1]$$

$$\frac{r_2}{r_1} = k$$

$$\sigma_c = \frac{30 * 50^2}{95^2 - 50^2} [\frac{95^2}{50^2} + 1]$$



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 $\sigma_c = 52.98 N/mm^2$

Longitudinal stress

 $\sigma_l = \frac{p_1 r_1^2}{r_2^2 - r_1^2}$ $\sigma_c = \frac{30*50^2}{95^2 - 50^2}$ $\sigma_l = 11.49N/mm^2$

Maximum principal stress:

$$\sigma_r[\frac{k^2+1}{k^2-1}] \le K = \frac{r_2}{r_1} = \frac{95}{50} = 1.9$$

 $\sigma = allowablestress$ $\sigma_r = radialstress(or) \text{ Internal pressure}$ $\sigma_r = 30N/mm^2$ $30[\frac{1.9^2+1}{1.9^2-1}] \le 260$ $52.98 \le 260$

Maximum principal strain:

$$\sigma_r = \frac{\sigma_e}{E} + \frac{\sigma_r}{mE} - \frac{\sigma_1}{mE}$$

$$\frac{1}{m} = 0.3$$

$$\sigma > \sigma_r [\frac{k^2 + 1}{k^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{m} [\frac{k^2 - 2}{k^2 - 1}]]$$

 $\sigma > 30[\frac{1.9^2 + 1}{1.9^2 - 1} + 0.3[\frac{1.9^2 - 2}{1.9^2 - 1}]]$ 260> 30[1.766 + 0.3 * $\frac{1.61}{2.61}$] 260> 58.53 safe

Maximum shear stress:

$\mathbf{\tau} = \frac{\sigma_c + \sigma_r}{2} = \frac{\sigma_r}{2} \left[\frac{k^2 + 1}{k^2 - 1} + \right]$	1]
$=\frac{\sigma_r}{2}\frac{2k^2}{k^2-1}$	
$=\frac{30^{2}(1.9)^{2}}{10^{2}}$	
$\tau = 41.49N/mm^2$	

Circular core type pressure vessel :

σ



Mesh Information :



Resultant Forces

Reaction Forces

Selectio n set	Uni ts	Sum X	Sum Y	Sum Z	Resu ltant
Entire Model	N	- 1.68723	0.129002	-4.28174	4.603 98

Reaction Moments

Selection	Units	Sum	Sum	Su	Resul
set		X	Y	m Z	tant
Entire Model	N∙m	0	0	0	0

Study Results :

Name	Туре	Min	Max	Name	Туре	Min	Max
Stress1	VON: von Mises Stress	0 N/m^2 Node: 1	1.39552e+008 N/m^2 Node: 20097	Displacement1	URES: Resultant Displacement	0 mm Node: 1	0.0111916 mm Node:
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Name	Туре	Min	Max
Strain1	ESTRN: Equivalent	0	0.000374341
	Strain	Element: 1	Element: 10089
Hand and a second		nstructional Use Only -Strain-Strain	130000 130000 130000 130000 130000 130000 130000 130000 130000 130000 130000 130000 130000 130000

Results obtained from the respective core shapes:

Similarly, by using ANSYS the stress, strain and displacement are found for Hollow Rectangle Core Type Vessel, Hollow Ellipse Core Type Vessel and Hollow Circle Core Type Vessel and the results are tabulated below:

S NO	Material	Structure	Strain	Displacement (mm)	Factor of Safety	Weigh t (Kg)
1	SS1035	Rectangle	0.00026	0.00692	2.68	6.13
2	SS1035	Hollow Ellipse	0.00047	0.01139	1.68	6.92
3	SS1035	Hollow circle	0.00037	0.011916	2.025	6.92
4	SS1035	Hollow Rectangle	0.000302	0.085	2.53	5.91

V. CONCLUSION

In this project the different core shaped structures, namely Rectangle Core, Hollow Rectangular Core, Hollow Circular Core and Hollow ellipse core sandwich panels are taken into study and their mechanical behavior is compared, For evaluating mechanical behavior of the core sandwich Structures, on the basis of simulations techniques. Compare to all stress values, The Hallow circular cross sections have less stress at same weight and same load. So, at this circular cross section is suitable for application for members subjected to compressive loads. For considering the multilayer sandwich pressure vessels subjected to same pressure at different cross sections, Stresses induced in this cross sections hallow rectangle type is compared to remaining. So, this cross section is suitable for pressure vessels. So by using this kind of cross sections the weight reduces and strength increases. Finally based on the results of the analysis, we observed that hollow rectangular shape has got the optimum values like factor of safety, weight, deformation, stress and strain values

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