

# Bone Tissue Mechanics

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PART 1

# Introduction

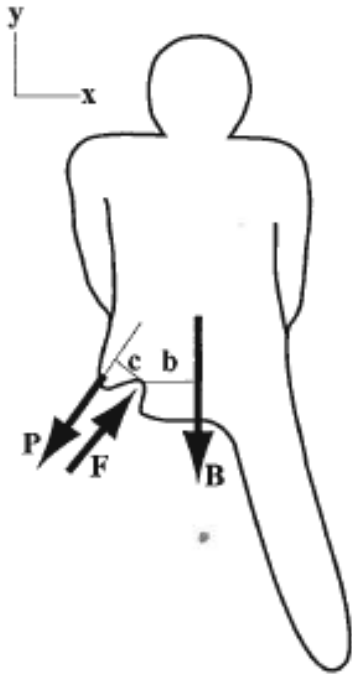
- The objective of this course is to study basic concepts on hard tissue mechanics.
- **Hard tissue** is the structural material of the **skeleton**, mainly bone and cartilage. In this course the focus will be on **bone biomechanics**.
- **The skeleton** is a mechanical organ. Its primary functions are to transmit forces from one part of the body to another and protect certain organs from mechanical forces that could damage them.

# Introduction

To study the effect of loads on the skeleton, and in particular in bone we have to know:

- Which loads are applied to bone?
  - Basically loads are transmitted by joint, so the question is how to know the forces in joints.
  - It is possible to obtain an order of magnitude of this loads using free body diagrams and static analysis.
- What is the effect of these load in bones?
  - Concept of mechanical stress and strain. Bone as a deformable bone.
- How bone support these loads?
  - Bone as a structural material.
  - Mechanical properties of Bone
  - Bone adaptation to mechanical loads.

# Forces in the Hip Joint



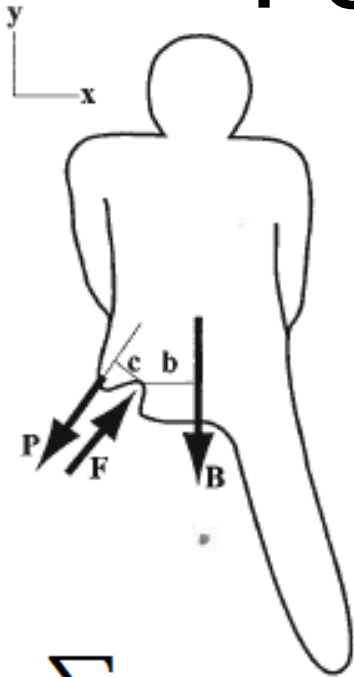
Modelling assumptions:

- “single leg stance phase” of gait.
- two-dimensional analysis.

P – Abductor muscles; F – Joint reaction force acting in the middle of the acetabulum.; B – weight of the body on the leg. W – Body weight.

Because each lower member is about  $(1/6)W$ ,  $B=(5/6)W$

# Forces in the Hip Joint



$$\sum M = 0 \quad cP - bB = 0 \quad P = \frac{b}{c}B = \frac{b}{c} \times \frac{5}{6} W$$

The lengths  $b$  and  $c$  can be estimated from X-ray. It was found that:

$$2 < \frac{b}{c} < 3.5$$

Assuming  $\frac{b}{c} = 2.4 \Rightarrow P = 2.4 \times \frac{5}{6} W \Rightarrow \boxed{P = 2W}$

$$\sum F_x = 0 \quad F_x - P_x = 0 \Leftrightarrow F_x - 2W \sin \theta = 0$$

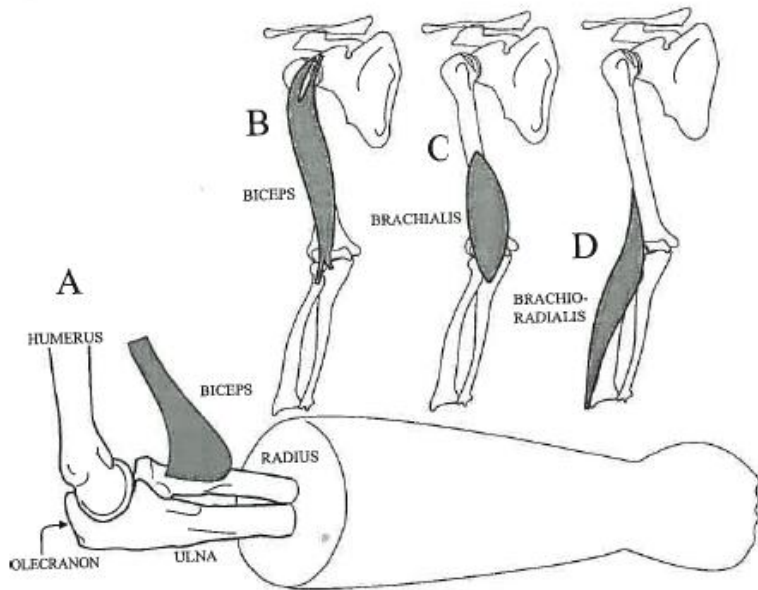
$$\sum F_y = 0 \quad F_y - P_y - B = 0 \Leftrightarrow F_y - 2W \cos \theta - \frac{5}{6}W = 0$$

$\theta$  is the angle between the abductor muscle line and the y-axis.

Assuming  $\theta = 30^\circ \quad F_x = W \quad F_y = \left(2 \cos 30 + \frac{5}{6}\right) W = 2.57W$

Remark: The ratio  $b/c$  is critical for the hip load magnitude.

# Forces in the Elbow Joint



W – Weight in the hand; J – reaction in the joint; B – biceps (and brachial) force

$$\sum M = 0 \quad wW - bB \sin \theta = 0$$

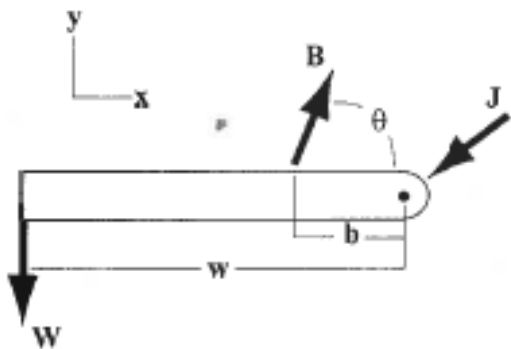
$$\sum F_x = 0 \quad B \cos \theta - J_x = 0$$

$$\sum F_y = 0 \quad B \sin \theta - W - J_y = 0$$

$$B = \frac{a}{b} W \sin \theta \quad J_x = B \cos \theta \quad J_y = B \sin \theta - W$$

If  $\theta = 75^\circ$ ;  $w = 0.35 \text{ m}$  and  $b = 0.04 \text{ m}$  thus:

$$B = 9.1W; \quad J_x = 2.3W \quad \text{and} \quad J_y = 7.8W$$

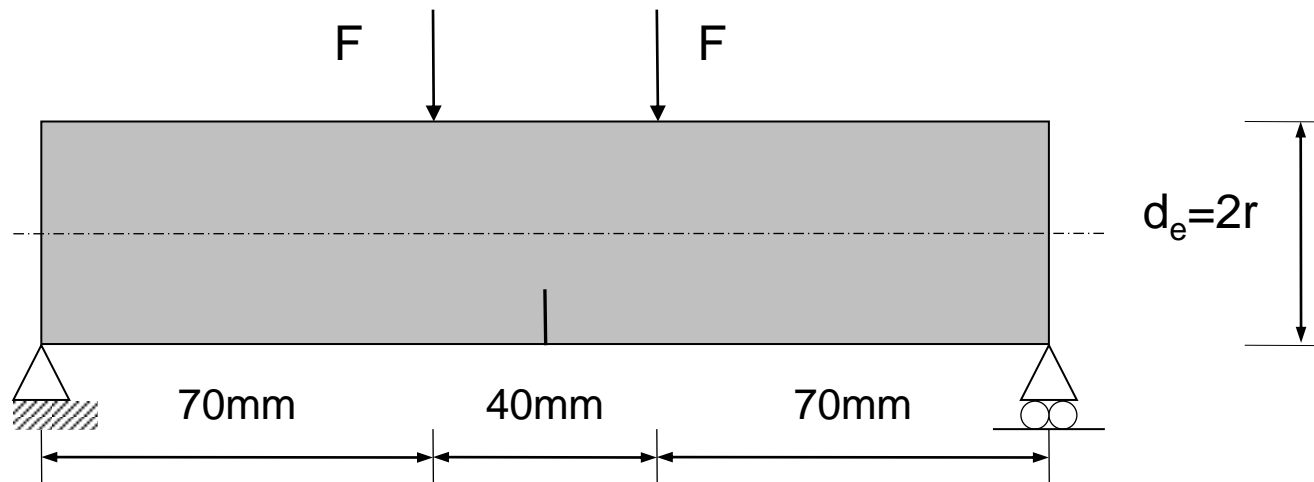


$$|J| = \sqrt{J_x^2 + J_y^2} = 8.1W \quad \text{and orientation is:} \quad \arctan\left(\frac{J_y}{J_x}\right) = 74^\circ$$

# Stress in bending

## Problem (4 point bending)

A bone sample, with outer diameter  $d_e=32$  mm and inner diameter  $d_i=16$  mm, is subject to a four-point test (see figure,  $F=1$  KN). Determine the maximum bending normal stress .



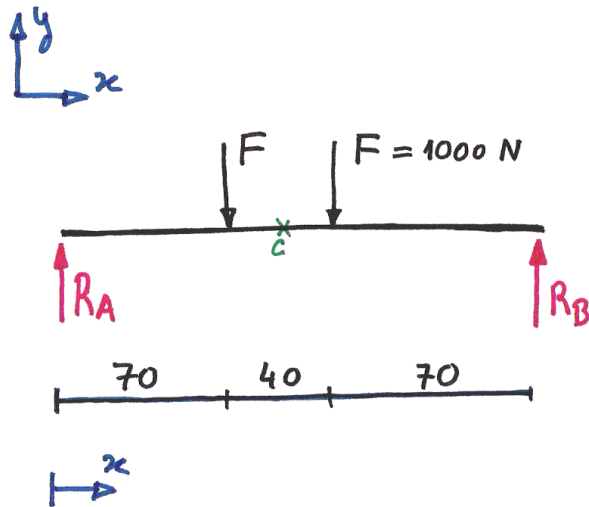
Note:  $1 \frac{N}{mm^2} = \frac{1 N}{1 mm^2} = \frac{1 N}{(10^{-3} m)^2} = \frac{1 N}{10^{-6} m^2} = 10^6 \frac{N}{m^2} = 10^6 Pa$

ou seja

$$1 \frac{N}{mm^2} = 1 MPa$$

Solution:

1) Reactions:



Static equilibrium:

$$\sum F_y = 0 \Rightarrow R_A + R_B = 2F$$

$$\sum M_c = 0 \Rightarrow R_A = R_B$$

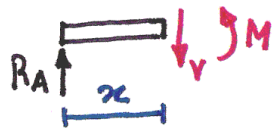
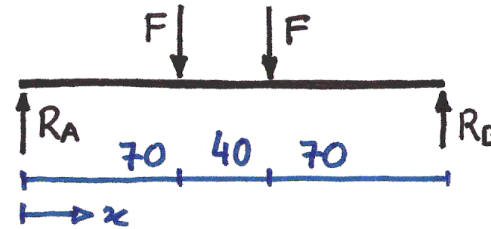
$$R_A = R_B = F$$

$$\rightarrow R_A = R_B = 1000 N$$



## 2) Shear and Bending Moment diagram:

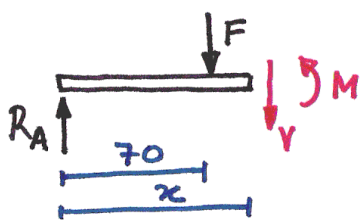
$$0 < x < 70$$



$$\sum F_y = 0 \Rightarrow R_A - V = 0 \Rightarrow V = R_A \Rightarrow \boxed{V = 1000 \text{ N}}$$

$$\sum M = 0 \Rightarrow -R_A x + M = 0 \Rightarrow M = R_A x \Rightarrow \boxed{M = 1000 x \text{ N}\cdot\text{mm}}$$

$$70 < x < 110$$

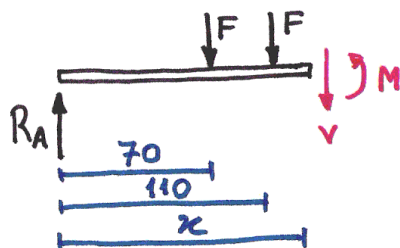


$$\sum F_y = 0 \Rightarrow R_A - F - V = 0 \Rightarrow V = R_A - F = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{V = 0}$$

$$\sum M = 0 \Rightarrow -R_A x + F(x - 70) + M = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow M = \cancel{R_A x} - \cancel{F x} + F \cdot 70 \Rightarrow \boxed{M = 70.000 \text{ N}\cdot\text{mm}}$$

$$110 < x < 180$$

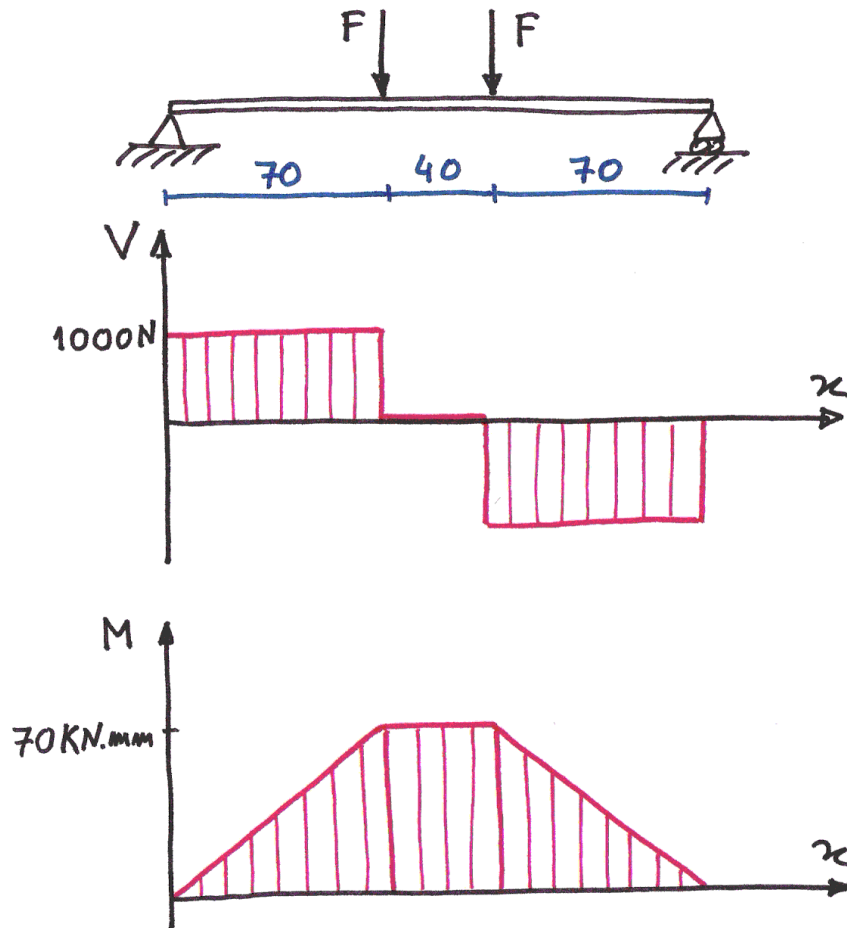


$$\sum F_y = 0 \Rightarrow R_A - 2F - V = 0 \Rightarrow V = R_A - 2F = -F \Rightarrow \boxed{V = -1000 \text{ N}}$$

$$\sum M = 0 \Rightarrow -R_A x + F(x - 70) + F(x - 110) + M = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow M = \cancel{R_A x} - \cancel{F x} + F \cdot 70 - F x + F \cdot 110$$

$$\Rightarrow M = F \cdot 180 - F x \Rightarrow \boxed{M = 180.000 - 1000 x \text{ N}\cdot\text{mm}}$$



Note: for  $70 < x < 110$

the sample is subject  
to pure bending

### 3. Bending normal stress

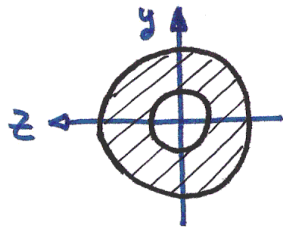
$$\longrightarrow \sigma = - \frac{M y}{I}$$

The maximum stress occurs in the section where the absolute value of the bending moment is maximum at the points where the distance to the neutral axis is maximum.

$$\sigma_{max} = \frac{M_{max} r_e}{I}$$

$$|y_{max}| = r_e$$

#### Moment of inertia



$$r_e = 16 \text{ mm}$$

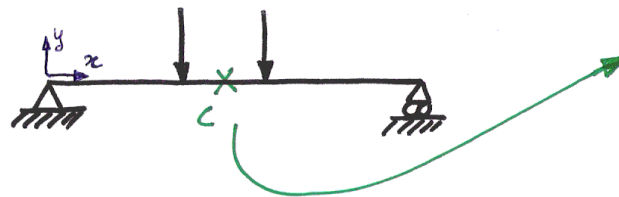
$$r_i = 8 \text{ mm}$$

$$I = \frac{\pi}{4} (r_e^4 - r_i^4) = \frac{\pi}{4} (16^4 - 8^4) = 48,25 \times 10^3 \text{ mm}^4$$

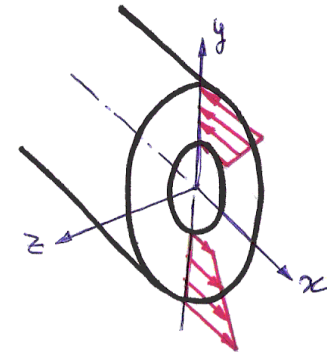
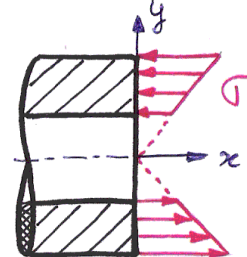
$$I = 48,25 \times 10^3 \text{ mm}^4$$

maximum stress

$$\sigma_{max} = \frac{M_{max} r_e}{I} = \frac{70 \times 10^3 \times 16}{48,25 \times 10^3} = 23,2 \text{ MPa} \longrightarrow \sigma_{max} = 23,2 \text{ MPa}$$



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