

Airframe Design and Construction

Fuselage stresses – example

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Fuselage ultimate bending moment - Example

Consider the fuselage shown in figure. It is a portion of a 2024-T3 aluminum alloy tapered fuselage of length 90 inch. The fuselage is made up of a 0.05 inch thickness skin, 0.064 inch thickness floor plate and six stringers of the types shown.

The frame spacing is 18 inch. A cutout at one side of the fuselage is made. This cutout is bounded by the Frames at Stations (18) and (36) and Stringers numbered (1) and (5) (elements 2, 3 and 4 are removed).

Skin riveting are single lines countersunk of diameter $5/32$ " spaced at 1.0" and edge distance 0.4", while floor riveting are brazier of the same diameter and spacing.

Calculate the stresses of the fuselage cross-section at Station (0), taking into consideration the shear lag and inter-rivet buckling effects, for the loading (-5000, -6000, 20000) at (90, 5, 20).

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Calculate the shear flow at *Station (0)* assuming that the stringer forces at *Station (0)* and *Station (18)* are as follows:

<i>Stringer no.</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Force (lb):Station (0)</i>	<i>-18,400</i>	<i>-9,440</i>	<i>3,940</i>	<i>30,500</i>	<i>6,600</i>	<i>-13,200</i>
<i>Force (lb):Station (18)</i>	<i>-25,200</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>5,700</i>	<i>28,000</i>	<i>7300</i>	<i>-15,800</i>

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- *Material: aluminum alloy 2024-T3*
- *Fuselage length (L_F): 90 inch*
- *Skin thickness (t_s): 0.05 inch*
- *Floor thickness (t_f): 0.064 inch*
- *Frame spacing (FS): 18 inch*
- *Cutout (elements 2, 3 and 4 are removed).*
- *Skin riveting: single lines countersunk $d_r = 5/32$ " spaced at 1.0" and edge distance 0.4",*
- *floor riveting: brazier of the same diameter and spacing.*

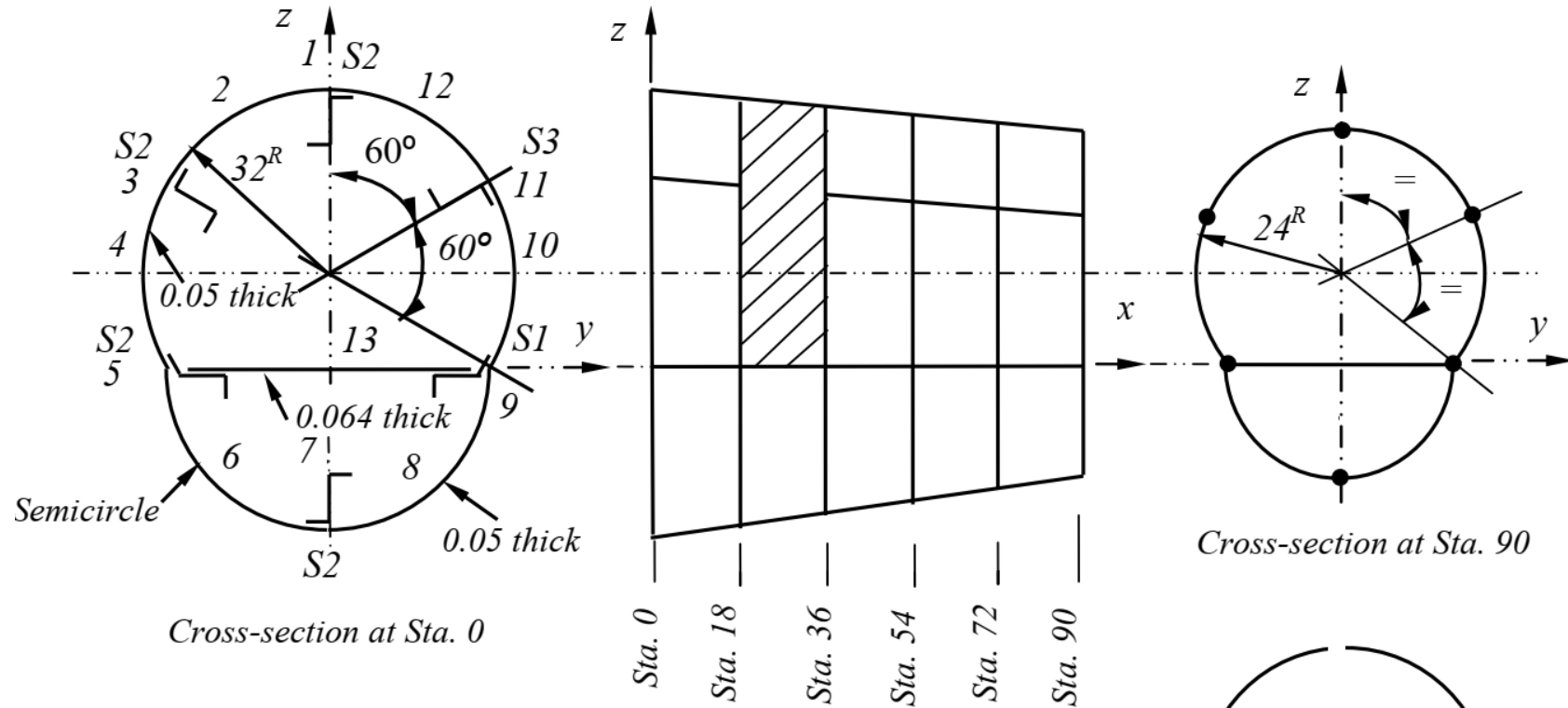


Figure (1)

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$$\sigma_b = \frac{P}{A} - (K_3 M_z - K_1 M_y) Y - (K_2 M_y - K_1 M_z) Z$$

$$K_1 = \frac{I_{xz}}{I_x I_z - I_{xz}^2} \quad K_2 = \frac{I_z}{I_x I_z - I_{xz}^2} \quad K_3 = \frac{I_x}{I_x I_z - I_{xz}^2}$$

$$w = 1.90t \sqrt{E/F_{ST}} \quad w_1 = .62t \sqrt{E/F_{ST}}$$

<i>psi</i>	F_{tu}	F_{su}	F_{cy}	E
2024-T3	65,000	49,000	40,000	10.7×10^6
2014-T6	62,000	46,000	52,000	10.7×10^6
17-4 PH	180,000	108,000	165,000	27.5×10^6

Stringer Type	Failing Stress (psi)	Failing Strain	Area (in ²)	Height (in)	Thick. (in)
S1	- 37,685	- 0.006	0.135	1.0	0.05
S2	- 40,616	- 0.0059	0.18	1.125	0.064
S3	- 34,455	- 0.00475	0.08	0.875	0.04

$E = 10.7E6 \text{ psi}$

ϵ^3	ϵ^2	ϵ	1
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- 0.006 <= ϵ < - 2.8155E-3			
S1	0.4236	6.8366	36.8524

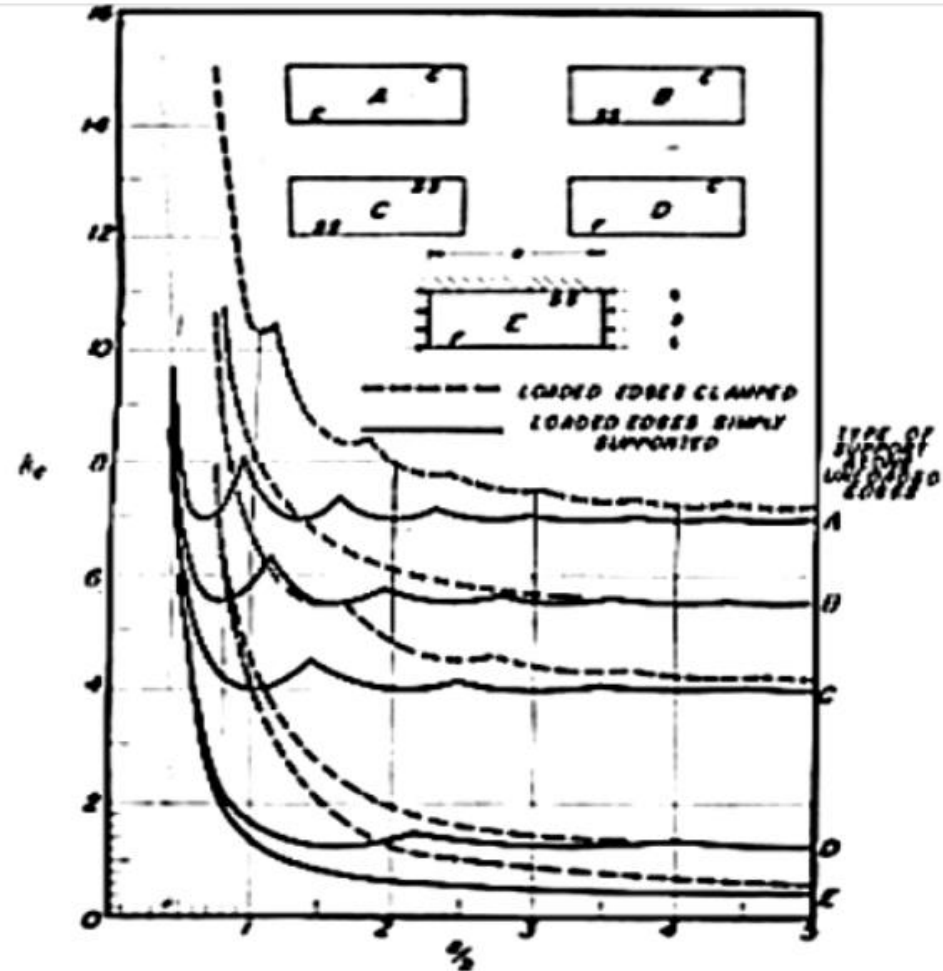
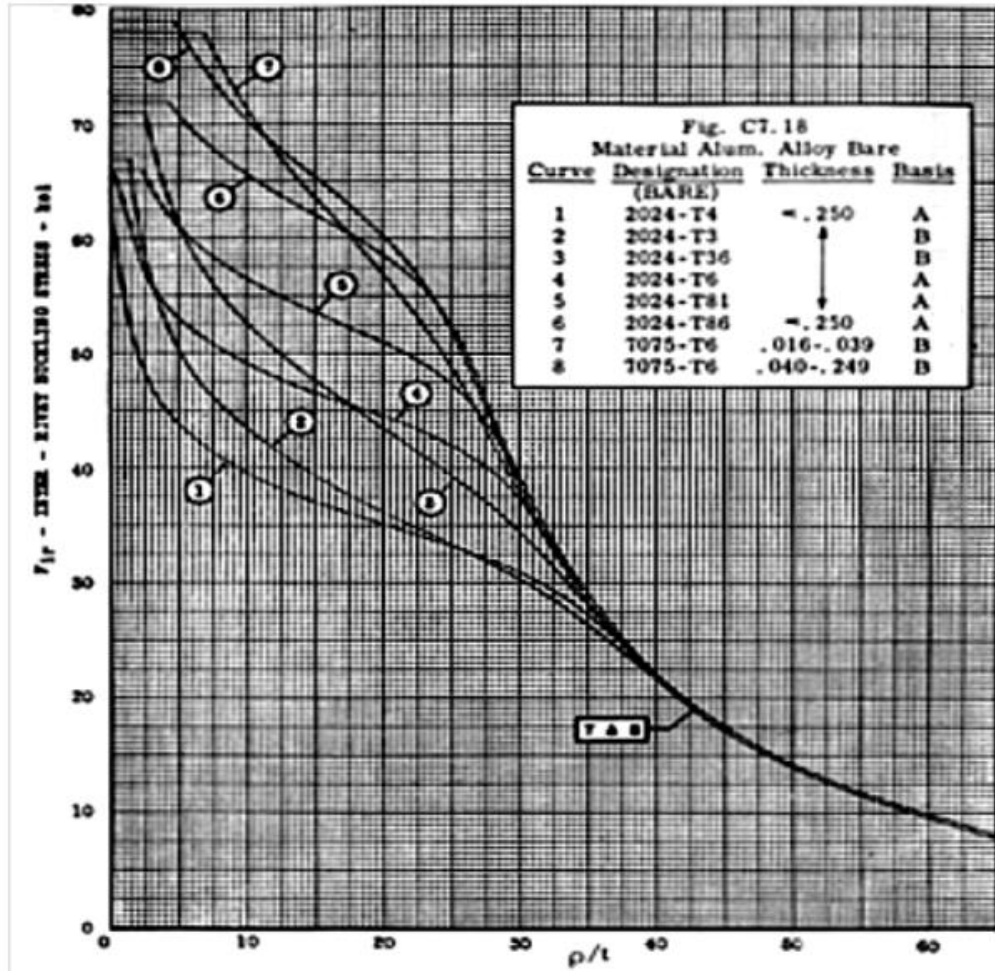
- 5.9 E-3 < ϵ < - 2.8155E-3			
S2	0.2363	4.5535	29.0559

- 4.75 E-3 < ϵ < - 2.8155E-3			
S3	0.3599	5.5560	28.4280

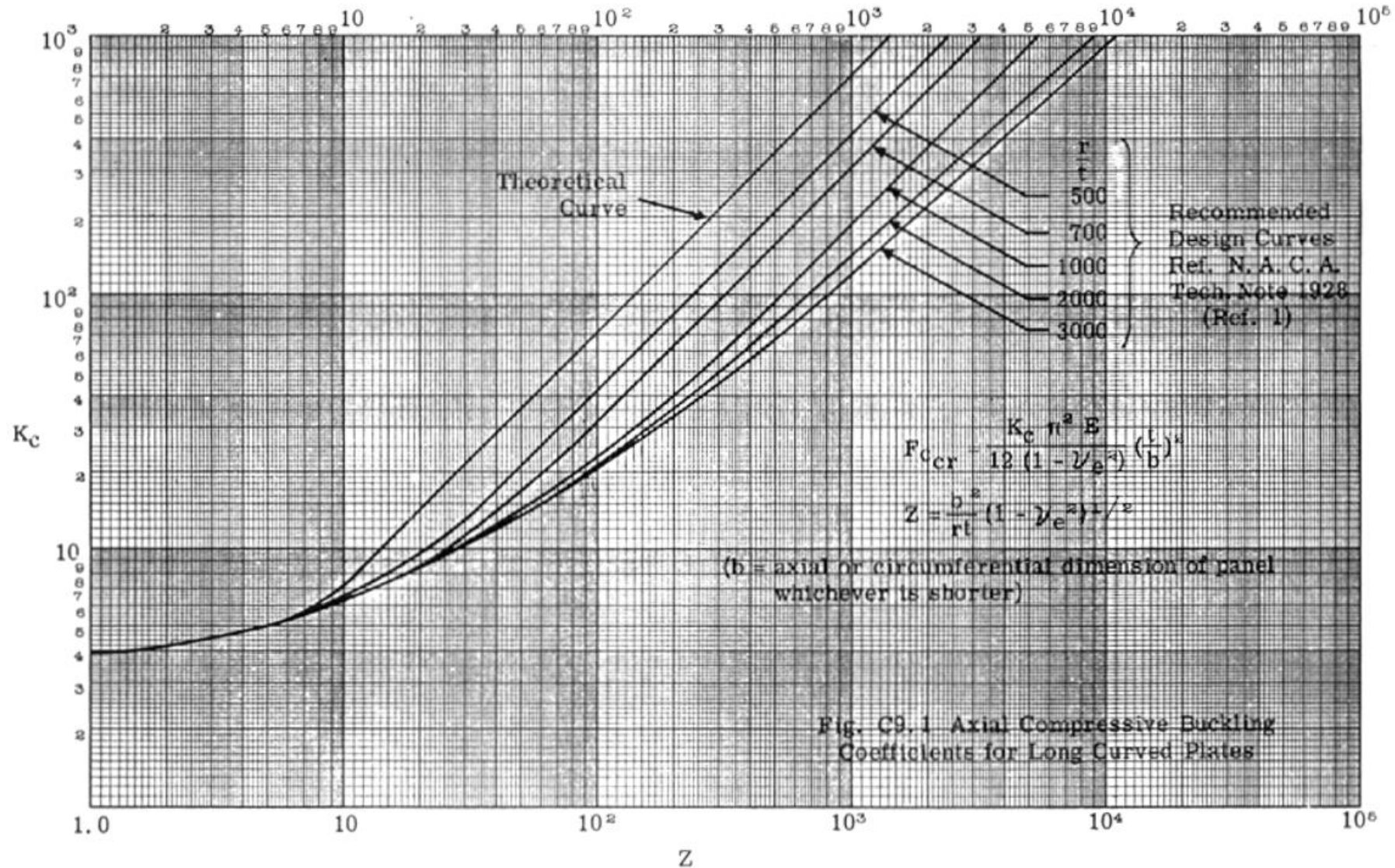
Linear : - 2.8155E-3 <= ϵ <= 4.8544E-3			
S1, S2, S3	0	0	10.7

4.8544E-3 < ϵ < 9.75E-3			
S1, S2, S3	0.08423	- 2.5758	26.2167
	$\epsilon >= 9.75E-3$		
	$\sigma = 64,737$		

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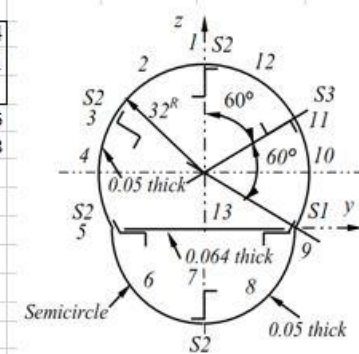


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FS	18	fuselage L	90	t_skin	0.05	t_floor	0.064
E=	10700000	v=	0.3			p	1
Solution:							
R(90)	24						
R1=	32	R2=	27.712813	dθ1	1.047198	dθ2	1.570796
				b1=	33.48414	b2=	43.53118
Stringers Properties							
		H=	16	bf=	55.11313		
St. type	Failing stress [psi]	Failing strain	Area [in	Hieght [in t [in]			
S1	-37685	-0.006	0.135	1	0.05		
S2	-40616	-0.0059	0.18	1.125	0.064		
S3	-34455	-0.00475	0.08	0.875	0.04		
	ε^3	ε^2	ε	1			
	- 6 <= ε < -2.8155				Rcg_skin 1	30.557749	
S1	0.4236	6.8366	36.8524	28.8098	Rcg_skin 2	24.950298	
	- 5.9 < ε < -2.8155				Shear-leg effect	31.975	
	- 4.75 < ε < -2.8155				Ksl	0.22319	
S2	0.2363	4.5535	29.0559	20.8374			
	- 2.8155 < ε <= 4.8544				Inter-Rivite Buckling		
S3	0.3599	5.556	28.428	13.7918	upper skin	p= 1	c= 1
						p/t= 20	p/teq= 40
							Fir= 22000
S1, S2, S3	0	0	10.7	0	Floor	p= 1	c= 3
						p/t= 15.625	p/teq= 18.0422
							Fir= 36000
	-4.8544 < ε <= 9.75				the critical stress of buckled skin		
S1, S2, S3	0.08423	-2.5758	26.2167	-24.0833	upper skin	r/t=	639.5
	ε >= 9.75					σcr	5223.4
	σ = 64737						
Px=	-5000	Pz=	20000	XL=	90		
Py=	-6000	yL=	5	ZL=	20	Floor	a
							18
						Kc	11
						bavg	53.362
						σcr	153.0204
						a/b	0.33732



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