## Problem 1:

Use your knowledge of the plastic material membrane and the material testing lab in the following problem:
a) Re-derive the solution for the load displacement relation of a circular thin clamped plastic membrane loaded by a concentrated force at the middle using the principle of virtual velocity and assume the material to be rigid-plastic. Make clear assumptions about out-of-plane displacement $\mathrm{w}(\mathrm{r})$ and in-plane displacement $\mathrm{u}(\mathrm{r})$
b) Calculate all components of the in-plane strain tensor
c) Define the component of the through-thickness strain, $\epsilon_{z Z}$, using the engineering definition of strain, and determine the current thickness from the condition of plastic incompressibility.
d) Compare the solution for the load displacement for constant thickness and thickness varying with strain. Find the correction factor when the variable thickness is included in the solution.

## Extra Credit:

Calculate the coordinates of the point of instability (maximum force) for both linear and logarithmic definition of strain

## Problem 1 Solutions:

a) Membrane Solution:

$$
\begin{gathered}
u=0 \\
\dot{w}(r)=\dot{w}_{0}\left(1-\frac{r}{R}\right) \\
\int\left(N_{r} \dot{\varepsilon}_{r}+N_{\theta} \dot{\varepsilon_{\theta}}\right) 2 \pi r d r=P \dot{w}_{0} \\
\varepsilon_{\theta}=\frac{u}{r}=0 \\
\varepsilon_{r}=\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{d w}{d r}\right)^{2}+\frac{d u}{d r} \\
\dot{\varepsilon}_{r}=\frac{d w}{d r} \frac{d \dot{w}}{d r} \\
\frac{d w}{d r}=\frac{w_{0}}{R}
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\dot{\varepsilon}_{r}=\frac{w_{0} \dot{w}_{0}}{R^{2}}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\frac{2 \pi N_{r} w_{0} \dot{w}_{0}}{R^{2}} \int_{0}^{R} r d r=P \dot{w}_{0} \\
\frac{2 \pi N_{r} w_{0} \dot{w}_{0} R^{2}}{2 R^{2}}=P \dot{w}_{0} \\
P=\pi N_{R} w_{0} \\
N_{r}=\sigma_{y} t \\
P=\pi \sigma_{y} t w_{0}
\end{gathered}
$$

b) In-plane strain tensor
c) Engineering definition of $\epsilon_{z z}$

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ll}
\varepsilon_{r r} & \varepsilon_{r \theta} \\
\varepsilon_{\theta r} & \varepsilon_{\theta \theta}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{d w}{d r}\right)^{2} & 0 \\
0 & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

$$
\epsilon_{z z}=\frac{t-t_{0}}{t_{0}}
$$

Incompressibility: $\epsilon_{r r}+\epsilon_{\theta \theta}+\epsilon_{z z}=0$
Therefore, since $\epsilon_{\theta \theta}=0$,

$$
\epsilon_{z z}=-\epsilon_{r r}=-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{d w}{d r}\right)^{2}
$$

The expression for the thickness and correction factor:

$$
\begin{gathered}
t=t_{0}\left(1-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{d w}{d r}\right)^{2}\right) \\
\frac{d w}{d r}=\frac{w_{0}}{R} \\
t=t_{0}\left(1-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{w_{0}}{R}\right)^{2}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

d) Compare solution with uniform thickness and variable thickness:

$$
\begin{gathered}
P=\pi \sigma_{y} t_{0} w_{0} \\
P=\pi \sigma_{y} t_{0} w_{0}\left(1-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{w_{0}}{R}\right)^{2}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

Decreases by a factor of $\left(1-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{w_{0}}{R}\right)^{2}\right)$

## Extra Credit Solution:

At instability or maximum force, the slope of the force-displacement curve is 0

$$
\begin{gathered}
\frac{\partial}{\partial w_{0}}\left(w_{0}-\frac{w_{0}^{3}}{2 R^{2}}\right)=0=\left(1-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{w_{0}}{R}\right)^{2}\right) \\
\frac{\partial P}{\partial w_{0}}=0=\frac{\partial}{\partial w_{0}}\left(w_{0}-\frac{w_{0}^{3}}{2 R^{2}}\right) \\
\frac{\partial P}{\partial w_{0}}=1-\frac{3 w_{0}^{2}}{2 R^{2}} \\
w_{0}=\sqrt{\frac{2}{3} R}
\end{gathered}
$$

Substitute back to determine the corresponding force:

$$
\begin{gathered}
P=\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \pi \sigma_{y} t_{0} R\left(1-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} R}{R}\right)^{2}\right) \\
P=\frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \pi \sigma_{y} t_{0} R
\end{gathered}
$$

Instability will occur at $w_{0}=\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} R$ and $P=\frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \pi \sigma_{y} t_{0} R$
Consider the logarithmic definition of strain:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\epsilon_{z z}=\ln \left(\frac{t}{t_{0}}\right)=-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{d w}{d r}\right)^{2} \\
t=t_{0} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{w_{0}}{R}\right)^{2}} \\
P=\pi \sigma_{y} w_{0} t_{0} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{w_{0}}{R}\right)^{2}} \\
\frac{\partial P}{\partial w_{0}}=0=\frac{\partial}{\partial w_{0}}\left(e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{w_{0}}{R}\right)^{2}}+e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{w_{0}}{R}\right)^{2}}\left(\frac{-w_{0}^{2}}{R^{2}}\right)\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{w_{0}{ }^{2}}{R^{2}}=1 \\
& w_{0}=R
\end{aligned}
$$

Plug back into expression for P

$$
P=\pi \sigma_{y} w_{0} t_{0} e^{-\frac{1}{2}}
$$

## Problem 2:



$$
M=M_{p}\left(1-\left(\frac{\kappa}{\kappa_{e}}\right)^{2}\right)
$$

Where

$$
\begin{gathered}
\kappa=2 \kappa_{e} \\
M_{p}=\frac{\sigma_{y} s^{3}}{4} \\
M=\frac{11}{12} M_{p}=\frac{11 \sigma_{y} s^{3}}{48}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Problem 3:

Consider a geometrically perfect square thin-walled elastic box column of the length L , width b , thickness t , and material properties: $\sigma_{y}, E, v$. The column is simply supported at the ends and subjected to a compressive load P . What is the expression for the thickness, " t ", in terms of the input parameters such that the global Euler buckling load is equal to the ultimate strength of the buckled plates (effective width theory).

## Extra Credit:

Given the geometry that satisfies Problem 3, which failure mode will occur first if the column is restrained at the mid-point (shown below)


## Problem 3 Solutions:

Equate both

$$
\frac{\pi^{2} E I}{L^{2}}=7.6 t^{2} \sqrt{E \sigma_{y}}
$$

Find for moment of inertia

$$
I=\frac{b^{4}}{12}-\frac{(b-2 t)^{2}}{12}=\frac{2}{3} b^{3} t
$$

Substitute

$$
\frac{\pi^{2} E \frac{2}{3} b^{3} t}{L^{2}}=7.6 t^{2} \sqrt{E \sigma_{y}}
$$

Solve for t :

$$
t=\frac{\pi^{2} b^{3}}{11.4 L^{2}} \sqrt{\frac{E}{\sigma_{y}}}
$$

## Extra Credit Solution:

The plate-buckling ultimate load will occur first because the Euler buckling load will increase by 4.

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