

Torque on a Solid cylinder:-

Let us consider a solid cylinder of length l and radius r which is clamped at the upper end rigidly. Let it be twisted through an angle θ by means of a torque. Let the cylinder be made of radius x and thickness dx . Let AB be a line on its surface

Initially perpendicular to the fixed end. After the cylinder is twisted let B moved to B' A will



Not change because it is a point on the clamped end then $\angle BOB' = \theta$

will be called the angle of twist hence the angle of twist is the angle through which a radius of the free end is turned $\angle BAB' = \phi$ is

the shearing strain at the surface of the hollow cylinder where as θ is

the same for all the

hollow cylinder, ϕ changes from cylinder to cylinder it is being

Maximum at the outermost surface
And zero at the axis OO

From the figure $BB' = l\phi = r\theta$
or, $\phi = \frac{r\theta}{l}$

Let f be the shearing stress on
The surface of this cylinder

$$\text{Then } \eta \text{ (rigidity)} = \frac{f}{\phi} = \frac{fl}{r\theta}$$

$$\text{or, } f = \frac{\eta r \theta}{l}$$

Area of cross section of the hollow
cylinder in consideration
 $= 2\pi r \cdot dx$

\therefore Shearing force tangential to
The surface of the cylinder
 $= \text{stress} \times \text{area}$

$$= \frac{\eta r \theta}{l} \times 2\pi r dx$$

$$= \frac{2\pi \eta \theta}{l} r^2 dx$$

Torque on the cylinder =

force \times perpendicular distance

$$= \frac{2\pi \eta \theta}{l} r^2 dx \times r$$

$$= \frac{2\pi \eta \theta}{l} r^3 dx$$

∴ Torque on the solid cylinder
= summation of torques on hollow cylinders

$$\frac{2\pi n\theta}{l} \int_{x=0}^{x=r} x^3 dx = \frac{2\pi n\theta}{l} \left[\frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^r$$

$$\frac{2\pi n\theta}{l} \cdot \frac{r^4}{4} = \frac{\pi n r^4}{2l} \theta$$

when $\theta = 1$ radian

$$\text{Torque } (\tau) = \frac{\pi n r^4}{2l}$$

This is called torsional rigidity
This torsional rigidity or modulus
of torsion of a cylinder is a
The torque required to twist
through 1 radian it is
usually denoted by C or I .

Thus I (torque on a cylinder) = $C \theta$
where C is the torsional rigidity

Thus the couple required per unit
Twist in case of cylinder of
length and radius r will be

$$(C) = \frac{\pi n r^4}{2l}$$