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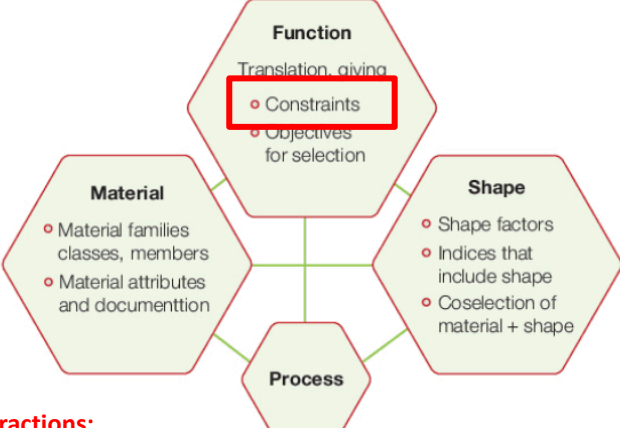
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Multiple Constraints

The interaction between function, material, shape and process, lies at the heart of the material selection process!!!



Function
Translation giving

- Constraints
- Objectives for selection

Material

- Material families classes, members
- Material attributes and documenttion

Shape

- Shape factors
- Indices that include shape
- Coselection of material + shape

Process

Two-way interactions:
 1st specification of shape restricts the choice of material and process but equally
 2nd specification of process limits the material choice and the accessible shapes.

The more sophisticated the design, the tighter the specifications and the greater the interactions.

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Most decisions in life involve trade-offs !!!



Is it possible to be rich and happy at the same time?

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How can you measure it?

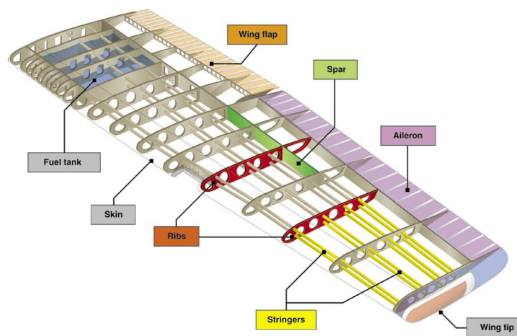
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The selection must satisfy several, often conflicting, constraints

In case of **one** main **Objective**;
Ex. Weight;

Constraints:

- Stiffness,
- Fatigue strength
- Toughness
- Geometry



Aircraft Wing Spar

THE LIGHTEST MATERIAL WILL NOT BE THE CHEAPEST ONE !!!

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The selection must satisfy several, often conflicting, constraints

In case of **one** main **Objective**;
Ex. Cost;

Constraints:

- Stiffness,
- Strength
- Thermal Conductivity



Disposable Hot-Drink Cup

THE CHEAPEST MATERIAL WILL NOT BE THE SAFE ONE !!!

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SELECTION WITH MULTIPLE CONSTRAINTS

IF THERE IS **ONE** MAIN OBJECTIVE (Minimization of weight or cost)

WITH MANY CONSTRAINTS

SOLUTION:

1. APPLY THE CONSTRAINTS IN SEQUENCE
2. REJECT THE MATERIALS THAT FAIL TO MEET THEM
3. FIND THE CANDIDATES (The survivors are viable candidates!)
4. RANK THEM BY THEIR ABILITY TO MEET THE SINGLE OBJECTIVE AND THEN EXPLORE THE TOP-RANKED CANDIDATES IN DETAIL ! & Make the final choice !!!

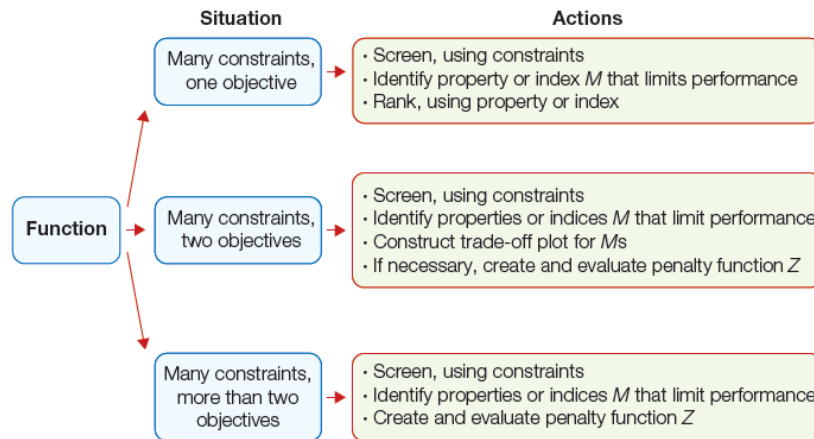
IN CASE OF TWO OR MORE OBJECTIVE ?

EX: WEIGHT & COST

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The choice of materials that best meets one objective will not usually be that which best meets others !

Strategies for tackling selection with multiple constraints and conflicting objectives.



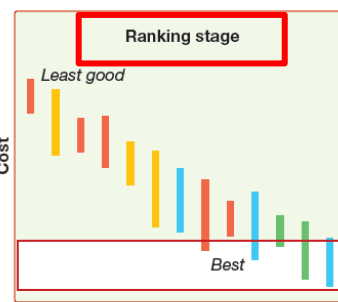
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SELECTION WITH MULTIPLE CONSTRAINTS

| Screening stage | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Young's modulus | >100 GPa |
| Yield strength | >250 MPa |
| T-conductivity | >80 W/m.K |
| Max service temp | >300 °C |
| Corrosion resistance | Good |
| Able to be die cast | Yes |

(a)

This box represents screening by imposing constraints on properties, on requirements such as corrosion resistance, or on the ability to be processed in a certain way.



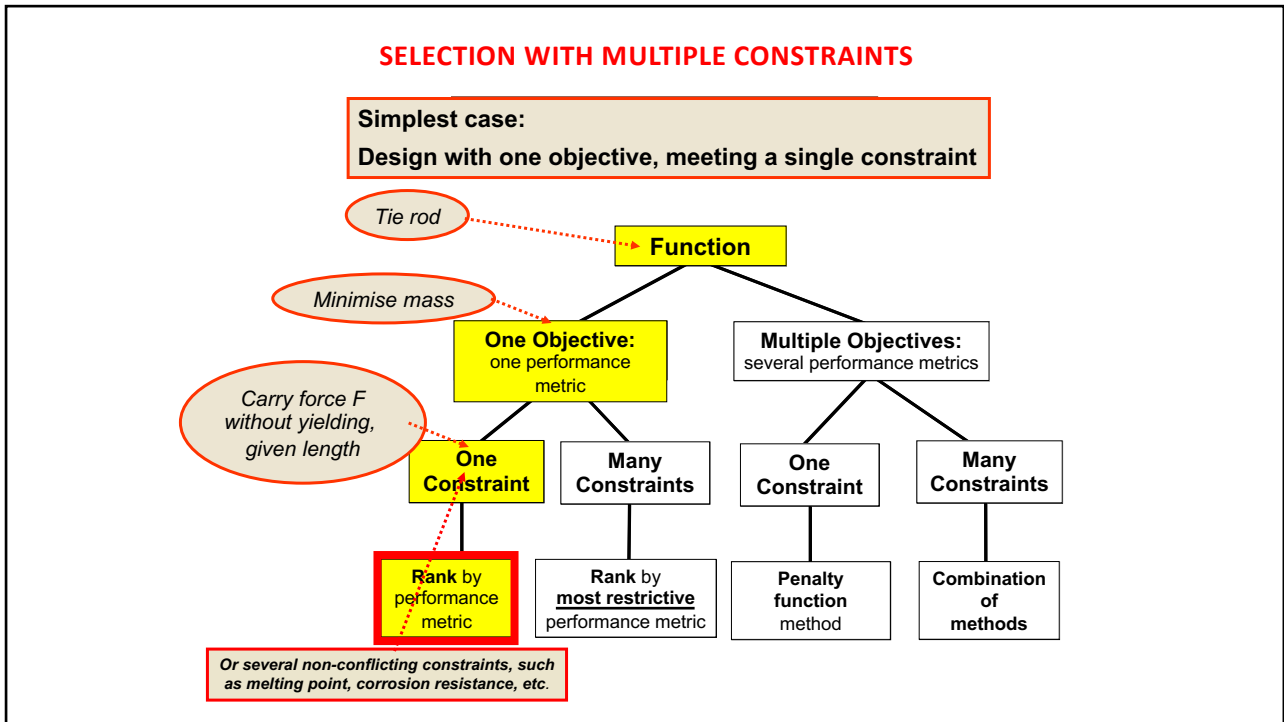
(b)

Here a bar chart for cost for the surviving candidate materials— indicates how they are ranked.

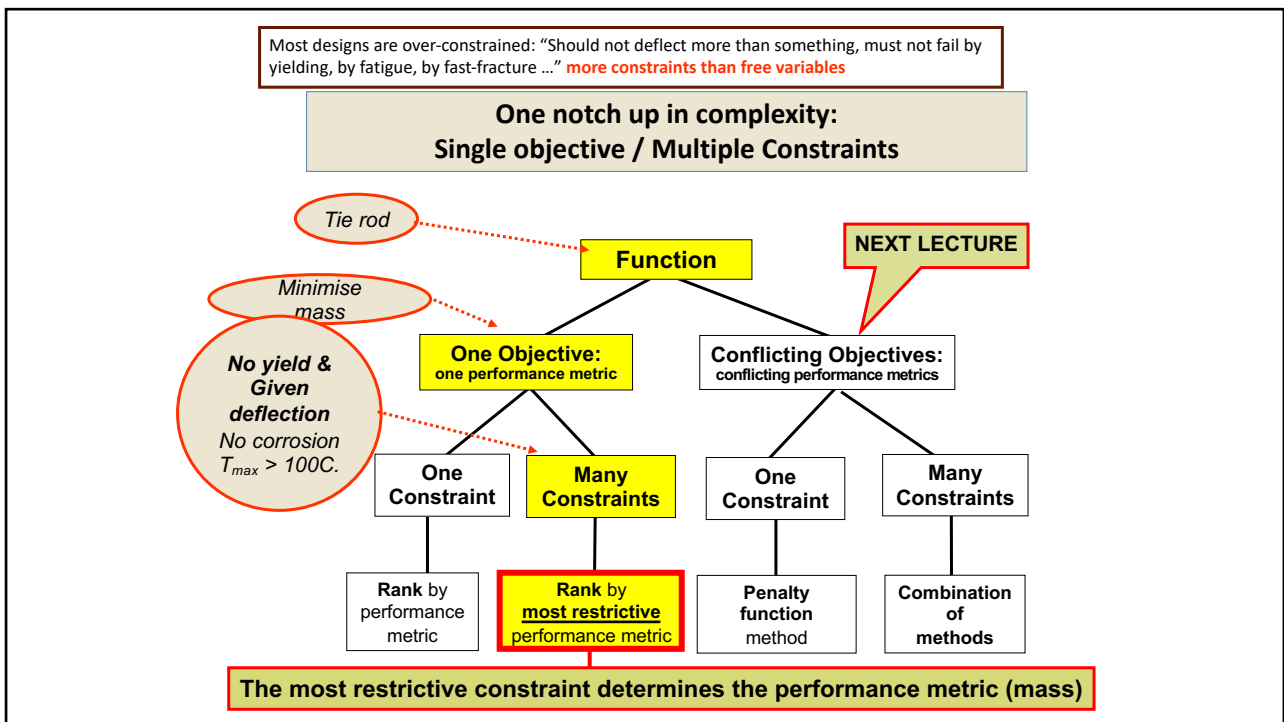
All very simple

THEN WHAT HAPPENS IF YOUR SINGLE OBJECTIVE IS LIMITED MORE THAN ONE CONSTRAINT

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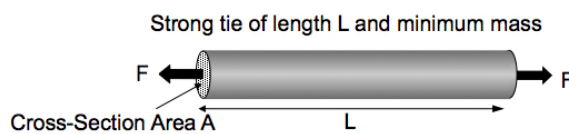
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EXAMPLE: Minimizing Mass (m): A light, stiff and strong tie-rod

A design calls for a tie-rod. It must carry a tensile force F^* without failure and be as light as possible (Figure). The length L is specified but the cross-section area A is not. Here, “maximizing performance” means “minimizing the mass while still carrying the load F^* safely.”



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QUESTION: Materials for a stiff, light tie-rod

Constraint # 1

Function Tie-rod

Constraints

- Length L is specified
- Must be stiff

Objective (Goal)

Minimise mass m :
 $m = A L \rho$ (2)

Free variables

- Material choice
- Section area A

Performance metric m_1

$$m_1 = L^2 S \left(\frac{\rho}{E} \right)$$

Strong tie of length L and minimum mass

Area A L

Equation for constraint on A :
 $S = EA / L$ (1)

Eliminate A in (2) using (1):

Chose materials with smallest $M1 = \left(\frac{\rho}{E} \right)$

m = mass
 A = cross-sec. area
 L = length
 ρ = density
 E = elastic modulus
 S = stiffness

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QUESTION: Materials for a strong, light tie-rod Constraint # 2

Function: Tie-rod

Constraints:

- Length L is specified
- Must not fail under load F

Equation for constraint on A : $F/A < \sigma_y$ (1)

Objective (Goal): Minimise mass m : $m = A L \rho$ (2)

Free variables:

- Material choice
- Section area A

Eliminate A in (2) using (1):

Performance metric m_2 : $m_2 = LF \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_y} \right)$

Chose materials with smallest $M2 = \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_y} \right)$

Legend:

- m = mass
- A = cross-sec. area
- L = length
- ρ = density
- σ_y = yield strength

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Tie-rod of minimum mass might specify both stiffness and strength, leading to two independent performance equations:

Objective Function: Objective: minimizing mass $m = A L \rho$

Stiffness constraint $S^* = \frac{E A}{L^*} \Rightarrow m_1 = L^* S^* \left(\frac{\rho}{E} \right) \Rightarrow M_1 = \frac{\rho}{E}$ (7.2)

Strength constraint $F_f^* = \sigma_y A \Rightarrow m_2 = L^* F_f^* \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_y} \right) \Rightarrow M_2 = \frac{\rho}{\sigma_y}$ (7.3)

The symbols have their usual meanings: A =area, L^* =length, ρ =density, S^* =stiffness, E =Young's modulus, F_f^* =collapse load, σ_y =yield strength or elastic limit

$\tilde{m} = \max(m_1, m_2)$

Search for the material that offers the smallest value of...

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Analytical Solution: (in 3 steps)

Rank by the more restrictive of the constraints

EXAMPLE: A material is required for a light tie of specified length L , stiffness S , and collapse load F_f with the values of;

$L^* = 1\text{m}$ $S^* = 3 \times 10^7 \text{ N/m}$ $F_f^* = 10^5 \text{ N}$

| Material | ρ (kg/m ³) | E (GPa) | σ_y (MPa) |
|------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| 1020 Steel | 7850 | 205 | 320 |
| 6061 Al | 2700 | 70 | 120 |
| Ti-6-4 | 4400 | 115 | 950 |

1. Calculate m_1 and m_2 for given L and F

$$m_1 = L^2 S \left(\frac{\rho}{E} \right)$$

$$m_2 = LF \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_y} \right)$$

| Material | ρ (kg/m ³) | E (GPa) | σ_y (MPa) | m_1 (kg) | m_2 (kg) | \tilde{m} (kg) |
|------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------|------------|------------|------------------|
| 1020 Steel | 7850 | 205 | 320 | 1.15 | 2.45 | 2.45 |
| 6061 Al | 2700 | 70 | 120 | 1.16 | 2.25 | 2.25 |
| Ti-6-4 | 4400 | 115 | 950 | 1.15 | 0.46 | 1.15 |

2. Find the **largest** of every pair of m 's

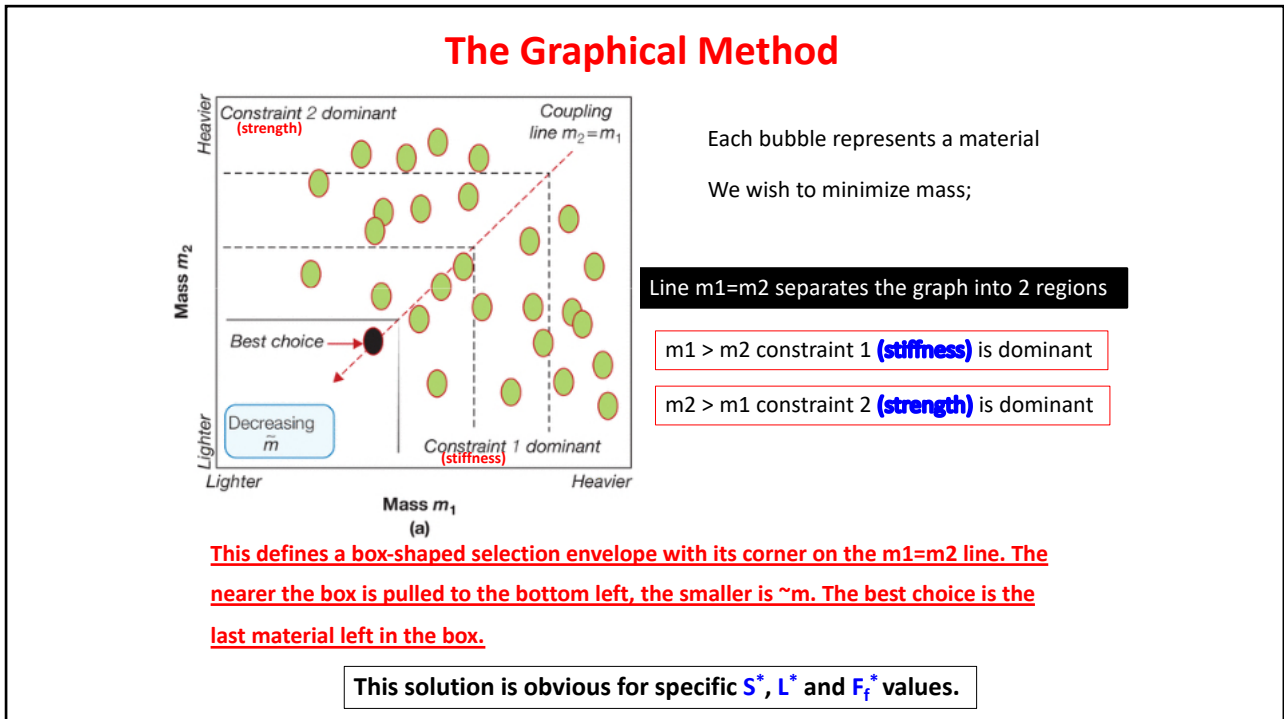
3. Find the **smallest** of the larger ones

The most restrictive constraint requires a larger mass and thus becomes the controlling or active constraint.

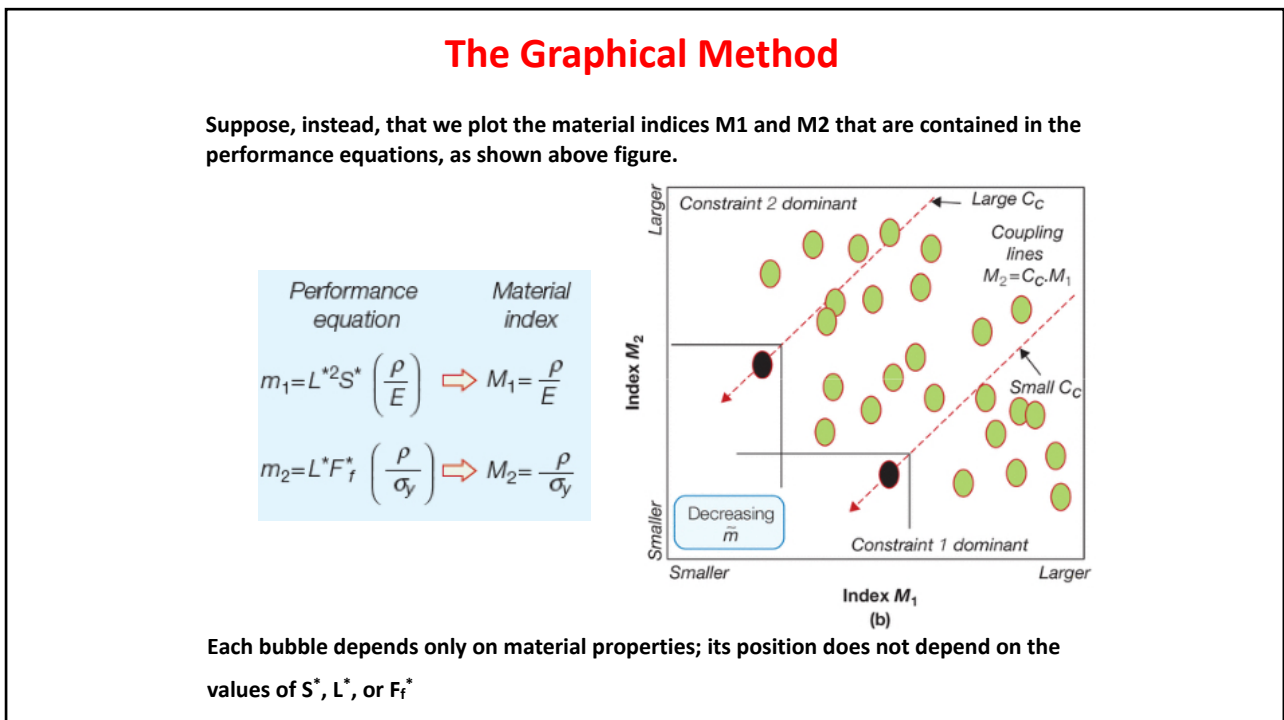
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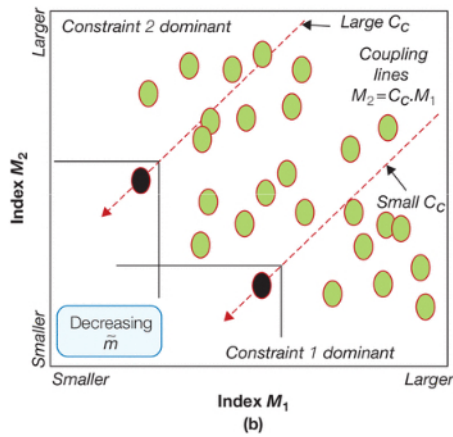


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The Graphical Method



| Performance equation | Material index |
|--|---|
| $m_1 = L^* S^* \left(\frac{\rho}{E} \right)$ | $\Rightarrow M_1 = \frac{\rho}{E}$ |
| $m_2 = L^* F_f^* \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_y} \right)$ | $\Rightarrow M_2 = \frac{\rho}{\sigma_y}$ |

IF $m_1 = m_2$ THAN

$$M_2 = \left(\frac{L^* S^*}{F_f^*} \right) M_1$$

This describes a line of slope 1, in a position that depends on the value of LS/F_f . We refer to this line as the coupling line, and to LS/F_f as the coupling constant, symbol C_c .

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Graphical Solution:

$$m_1 = L^* S^* \left(\frac{\rho}{E} \right)$$

$$m_2 = L F^* \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_y} \right)$$

This is what we know

$$M_1 = \left(\frac{\rho}{E} \right)$$

$$M_2 = \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_y} \right)$$

make $m_1 = m_2$

Solve for M2

$$M_2 = \left(\frac{LS}{F} \right) M_1$$

$$\frac{L^* S^*}{F^*} = \text{coupling constant/factor, } C_c$$

$$\log(M_2) = \log(M_1) + \log\left(\frac{L^* S^*}{F^*}\right)$$

Straight line, slope = 1
y-intercept = LS/F

On logarithmic scales

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Case Study # 1: Con-Rods for High-Performance Engines

Design Goal: lighter, stronger con-rods for high performance engines



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The problem:

A connecting rod in a high-performance engine, compressor, or pump is a critical component: if it fails, catastrophe follows. Yet to minimize inertial forces and bearing loads it must weigh as little as possible, implying the use of **light, strong materials**, stressed near their limits. .

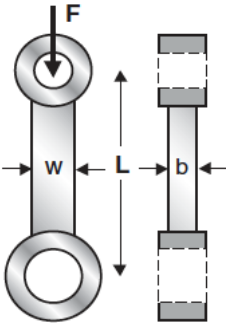
When minimizing cost is the objective, con-rods are frequently made of cast iron because it is so cheap

What are the best materials for con-rods when the objective is to **maximize performance**?

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The design requirements: connecting rods

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Function | Connecting rod for reciprocating engine or pump |
| Constraints | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must not fail by high-cycle fatigue, or • Must not fail by elastic buckling • Stroke, and thus con-rod length L, specified |
| Objective | Minimize mass |
| Free variables | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross-section A • Choice of material |



For simplicity assume that the shaft has a rectangular section

$$A = b \times w$$

The objective function is an equation for the mass that we approximate as;

$$m = \beta AL\rho$$

L = length of the con-rod
 ρ = density of the material
 β = a constant multiplier to allow for the mass of the bearing housings
 A = the cross-section of the shaft

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The fatigue constraint requires that; $\frac{F}{A} \leq \sigma_e$ σ_e : endurance limit of the material used for con-rod

Material Index 1 $\rightarrow m_1 = \beta FL \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_e} \right)$

The buckling constraint requires that the peak compressive load F does not exceed the Euler buckling load:

$$F \leq \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$$

Check Appendix A for the value I ($I = b^3w/12$)
 $b = \alpha w$ α = dimensionless "shape constant"

Material Index 2 $\rightarrow m_2 = \beta \left(\frac{12F}{\alpha \pi^2} \right)^{1/2} L^2 \left(\frac{\rho}{E^{1/2}} \right)$

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If the specifications are;

$$L = 200 \text{ mm}, F = 50 \text{ kN } \alpha = 0.8, \beta = 1.5$$

| Material | ρ (kg/m ³) | E (GPa) | σ_e (MPa) | m_1 (kg) | m_2 (kg) | $\tilde{m} = \max(m_1, m_2)$ (kg) |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| Nodular cast iron | 7150 | 178 | 250 | 0.43 | 0.22 | 0.43 |
| HSLA steel 4140 (o.q. T-315) | 7850 | 210 | 590 | 0.20 | 0.28 | 0.28 |
| Al S355.0 casting alloy | 2700 | 70 | 95 | 0.39 | 0.14 | 0.39 |
| Duralcan Al-SiC(p) composite | 2880 | 110 | 230 | 0.18 | 0.12 | 0.18 |
| Titanium 6Al 4V | 4400 | 115 | 530 | 0.12 | 0.17 | 0.17 |

The table lists the mass m_1 of a rod that will just meet the fatigue constraint, and the mass m_2 that will just meet that on buckling

The quantity \tilde{m} in the last column of the table is the larger of m_1 and m_2 for each material; it is the lowest mass that meets both constraints.

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|--|---|--|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Titanium alloy Ti 6Al 4V. 2. Duralcan 6061-20% SiC | } | Both weigh less than half as much as a cast-iron rod |
|--|---|--|

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RESTRICTIONS

- (1) This Method assumes some “pre-selection” procedure has been used to obtain the materials listed in the table, but does not explain how this is to be done.
- (2) The results apply only to the values of F and L listed above change these, and the selection changes.

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The mass of the rod that will survive both fatigue and buckling is the larger of the two masses **m1** and **m2**

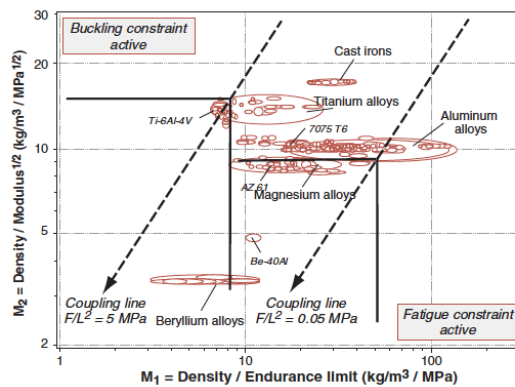
$$m_1 = \beta FL \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_e} \right) \quad m_1 = m_2 \quad m_2 = \beta \left(\frac{12F}{\alpha\pi^2} \right)^{1/2} L^2 \left(\frac{\rho}{E^{1/2}} \right)$$

$$M_2 = \left[\left(\frac{\alpha\pi^2}{12} \cdot \frac{F}{L^2} \right)^{1/2} \right] \cdot M_1$$

Coupling Constant (C)

Coupling lines for two values of F/L^2 are plotted on it, taking $\alpha = 0.8$

Materials with the optimum combination of **M1** and **M2** are identified by creating a chart with these indices as axes



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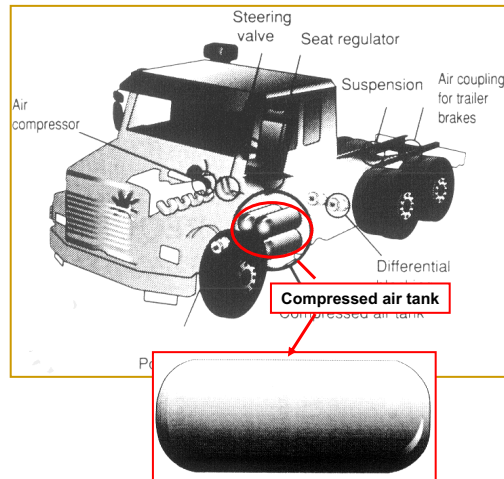
Materials for high-performance con-rods

| Material | Comment |
|------------------|--|
| Magnesium alloys | AZ61 and related alloys offer good all-round performance |
| Titanium alloys | Ti-6-4 is the best choice for high F/L^2 |
| Beryllium alloys | The ultimate choice, but difficult to process and very expensive |
| Aluminum alloys | Cheaper than titanium or magnesium, but lower performance |

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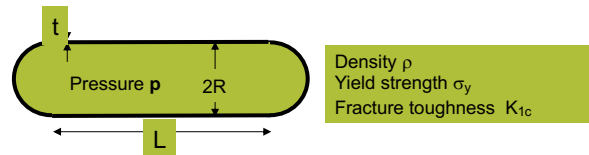
Case Study # 2: Air Cylinder for a Truck

Design Goal: lighter, safe air cylinders for trucks



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Case study: Air cylinder for truck



| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Function | Pressure vessel |
| Objective | Minimise mass |
| Constraints | Dimensions L, R , pressure p , given Safety: must not fail by yielding Safety: must not fail by fast fracture Must not corrode in water or oil Working temperature -50 to $+100^\circ\text{C}$ |
| Free variables | Wall thickness, t ; choice of material |

Conflicting constraints lead to competing performance metrics

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Air cylinder for truck

Objective: mass

$$m = (2\pi R t L + 4\pi R^2 t) \rho = 2\pi R t L \rho \left(1 + \frac{2R}{L}\right)$$

Vol of material in cylinder wall

Aspect ratio, α

Density ρ
Yield strength σ_y
Fracture toughness K_{Ic}

What is the free variable?

Stress in cylinder wall: $\sigma = \frac{pR}{2t} < \frac{\sigma_f}{S}$

Eliminate t: $m = 2\pi R^2 L \alpha \rho S \left[\frac{\rho}{\sigma_f} \right]$

transpose

$$m^* = \frac{m}{2\pi R^2 L \alpha \rho S} = \left[\frac{\rho}{\sigma_f} \right]$$

Failure stress

Safety factor

May be either σ_y or σ_f

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Air cylinder : graphical solution using CES charts

CES Stage 1; apply simple (non conflicting) constraints:
working temp up to 100°C, resist organic solvents etc.

CES Stage 2: evaluate conflicting performance metrics:

Must not yield: $\sigma_{f1} = \sigma_y$

Must not fracture: $\sigma_{f2} = \frac{K_{Ic}}{\sqrt{\pi a}}$

S = safety factor
a = crack length
 σ_y = yield strength
 K_{Ic} = Fracture toughness

→ $m_1^* = \frac{\rho}{\sigma_y}$

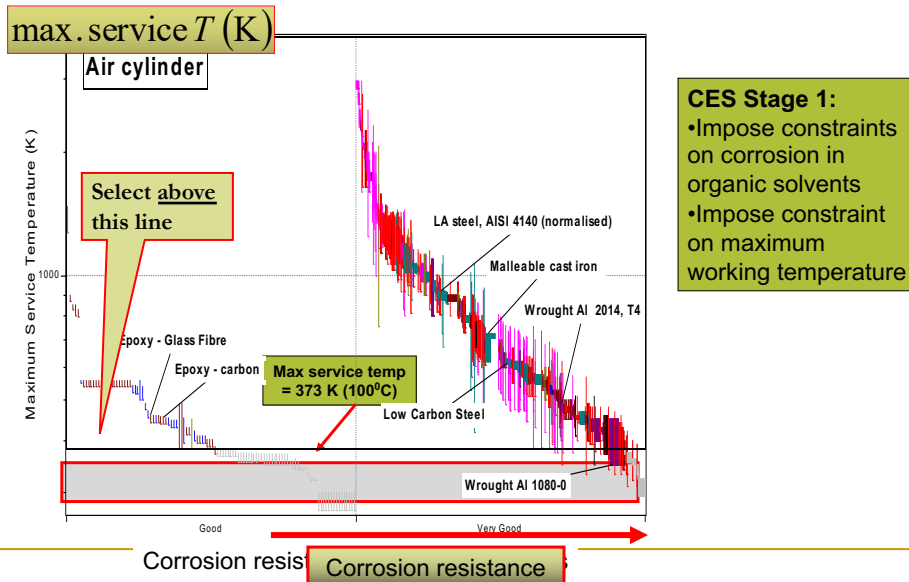
→ $m_2^* = \frac{\rho}{K_{Ic} / \sqrt{\pi a}}$

Competing performance metrics for minimum mass

Rank by the more restrictive of the two

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Air cylinder - Simple (non- conflicting) constraints



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Summary

- Real designs are **over-constrained** and many have **multiple objectives**
- Method of **maximum restrictiveness** copes with **conflicting multiple constraints**
- Analytical method useful but depends on the particular conditions set and lacks the visual power of the graphical method
- Graphical method produces a more general solution

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