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Home Work #3

1. A metallic wire embedded in a strain gage is 4.2 cm long with a diameter of 0.07 mm. The gage is mounted on the upper surface of a cantilever beam to sense strain. Before strain is applied, the initial resistance of the wire is 64  $\Omega$ . Strain is applied to the beam, stretching the wire 0.1mm, and changing its electrical resistivity by 2 × 10<sup>-8</sup>  $\Omega$ m. If Poisson's ratio for the wire is 0.342. Find the change in resistance in the wire due to the strain to the nearest hundredth ohm.

Length of wire (L): 4.2cm/42mm Diameter (d): 0.07mm Resistance (R): 64Ω Stretched the wire (dL): 0.1mm Resistivity (dρ): 2 \*10^-8Ωm Poissons Ratio (v): 0.342

Formula Used to find the relative change in resistance:  $\frac{dR}{R} = (1 + 2\nu)\varepsilon L + \frac{d\rho}{d}$ 

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$$\varepsilon L = \frac{dL}{L} = \frac{0.1mm}{42mm} = 0.0024$$

- $R = \rho * \frac{L}{A}$ . Where A is cross sectional area **Area**:  $A = \pi r^2 = 0.035 \text{mm}^2 * \pi = 0.0039 \text{mm}^2$
- , L length of the wire, and  $\rho$  is resistivity. We will use this formula to find the resistivity:  $\rho = \frac{RA}{L} = \frac{64\Omega * (0.0039 mm^2)}{42 mm} = 5.943 * 10^{-3} \Omega mm / 5.5943 * 10^{-6} \Omega m.$

$$\frac{dR}{R} = (1 + 2(0.342)) * 0.0024 + \left(\frac{2 * 10^{-8}\Omega m}{5.943 * 10^{-6}\Omega m}\right) = 0.00404 + 3.365 * 10^{-3}$$
$$= 4.38 * 10^{-3}$$

3. A metallic strain gage has a resistance of  $350 \Omega$  at zero strain. It is mounted on a 1-m-long column. The column is strained axially by 1 cm. Determine a typical resistance (in  $\Omega$ ) of such a gage under its strained condition.

 $R=350\Omega$  at no strain

Length of the column (L): 1m/1000mm

Strain Axially by ( $\Delta L$ ): 1cm/10mm

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 $Ge = \frac{\Delta R}{R} * \frac{L}{\Delta L}$ . Where  $\Delta R$  is the change in resistance due to strain, and  $\Delta L$  is the change in length due to strain.

 $\Delta \mathbf{R} = \operatorname{Ge} * \frac{\Delta L}{L} * \mathbf{R} = 2 * \frac{10 \text{mm}}{1000 \text{mm}} * 350\Omega = 7\Omega$ . 7 $\Omega$  is how much the gage resistance has changed due to the axial strain.

So, the typical resistance of this gaga under its strained condition is  $350\Omega + 7\Omega = 357\Omega$ 

4. A resistive accelerometer is fabricated with an internal mass of 1 gm and 2mm-long strain gages, each having a spring constant of 300 N/m. When the gages are strained by 2 % in a direction parallel to the strain gages, determine (a) the acceleration (in m/s<sup>2</sup>) in the direction parallel to the strain gages and (b) the acceleration (in m/s<sup>2</sup>) in the direction perpendicular to the strain gages.

Internal Mass (m): 1g

Length of gage (L): 2mm

Spring Constant (k): 300N/m

Strain force (e): 2%/0.002 perpendicular

Formula used to find the displacement of a mass, due to acceleration:  $\Delta L = \frac{m}{k} * a$ ; where **m** is mass, **k** spring constant, and **a** is acceleration.

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$$a = \Delta L * \frac{k}{m}$$
  
•  $\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta L}{L} \Rightarrow \Delta L = \varepsilon * L = 2\% * 2mm = 0.04mm/4 \times 10^{-5}m.$ 

(A)  $a = 4 * 10^{-5} m * \frac{300 \frac{N}{m}}{0.001 Kgm} = 12 \frac{m}{s^2}$ 

(B)  $\Delta L = \varepsilon * L = 98\% * 2mm = 1.96mm / 0.00196m$ 

$$a = \Delta L * \frac{k}{m} = 0.00196m * \frac{300\frac{N}{m}}{0.001Kgm} = 588\frac{m}{s^2}$$

5. A variable-capacitance relative humidity sensor has a capacitance of  $10 \ \mu$  F at 10 % relative humidity and 35  $\mu$  F at 50 % relative humidity. Determine (a) its capacitance at 78 % relative humidity, (b) its capacitance at 0 % relative humidity, and (c) its sensitivity

10µF at 10%

35µF at 50%

**Relative Humidity:** C = A + B \* RH; where C is capacitance, A and B are constants, and **RH** is the percent of relative humidity.



Substitute B into equation [1] and solve for  $A = 10\mu F - 62.5 \frac{\mu F}{\%} * 10\% = 3.75\mu F$ 

(A) Capacitance at 78%:  $C = A + B * RH = 3.75 \mu F + 62.5 \mu F * 78\% = 52.5 \mu F$ 

(B) Capacitance at 0%:  $C = A + B * RH = 3.75\mu F + 62.5\mu F * 0\% = 3.75\mu F$  7. The Strouhal number, St , depends only on the Reynolds number, Re .For a cylinder in cross-flow, St is constant and equals 0.21 for  $6000 \le \text{Re} \le 60$  000. For a vortex shedding flowmeter using a 1-cm-diameter cylindrical element placed in water under standard conditions in this Re range, determine the range of shedding frequencies (in Hz).

**Given:** Density of water ( $\rho$ ):  $1\frac{kg}{m^3}$ 

Viscosity of water (µ): 8.94 \*  $10^{-4} \frac{N}{m^2}$ 

dc= 1cm/0.01m

St=0.21 for 6000 $\leq$  Re  $\leq$ 60000

**Solution:** - Solve the equation  $(Rec = \frac{\rho * Uc * dc}{\mu})$  for the velocity Uc and substitute it into the following formula  $fs = \frac{St * U}{2\pi D}$ .

 $\mathbf{U}_{6000} = \frac{Rec*\mu}{\rho*dc} = \frac{6000 \times 8.94 \times \frac{10^{-4} N}{m^2}}{1\frac{Kg}{m^3} \times 0.01m} = \frac{5.364 \frac{N}{m^2}}{0.01\frac{k}{m^2}} = 536.4 \frac{m}{s};$ 

$$\mathbf{U}_{60000} = \frac{Rec*\mu}{\rho*dc} = \frac{60000 \times 8.94 \times \frac{10^{-1}N}{m^2}}{1\frac{Kg}{m^3} \times 0.01m} = \frac{53.64\frac{N}{m^2}}{0.01\frac{k}{m^2}} = 5364\frac{m}{s};$$

 $\mathbf{fs_{6000}} = \frac{St * U}{2\pi D} = \frac{0.21 * 536.4\frac{m}{s}}{2\pi * 0.01m} = \left(\frac{112.644\frac{m}{s}}{0.0623m}\right) = \mathbf{1792}.\,\mathbf{78}\frac{1}{seconds};$ 

 $\mathbf{fs}_{60000} = \frac{St * U}{2\pi D} = \frac{0.21 * 5364\frac{m}{s}}{2\pi * 0.01m} = \left(\frac{1126.44\frac{m}{s}}{0.0623m}\right) = \mathbf{18080}.\mathbf{89}\frac{1}{seconds};$ 

Range of Frequencies are:  $1792.78Hz \le f_S \le 18080.89Hz$