

# 1.050 Engineering Mechanics

Lecture 15:

Closure strength models & review  
for quiz

# 1.050 – Content overview

## I. Dimensional analysis

1. On monsters, mice and mushrooms
2. Similarity relations: Important engineering tools

Lectures 1-3  
Sept.

## II. Stresses and strength

2. Stresses and equilibrium
3. Strength models (how to design structures, foundations.. against mechanical failure)

Lectures 4-15  
Sept./Oct.

## III. Deformation and strain

4. How strain gages work?
5. How to measure deformation in a 3D structure/material?

Lectures 16-19  
Oct.

## IV. Elasticity

5. Elasticity model – link stresses and deformation
6. Variational methods in elasticity

Lectures 20-31  
Nov.

## V. How things fail – and how to avoid it

7. Elastic instabilities
8. Plasticity (permanent deformation)
9. Fracture mechanics

Lectures 32-37  
Dec.

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## I. Dimensional analysis

## II. Stresses and strength

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Lecture 8: Beam stress model

Lecture 9: Beam model II and summary

Lecture 10: Strength models: Introduction (1D)

Lecture 11: Mohr circle – strength criteria 3D

Lecture 12: Application – soil mechanics: How to build sandcastles

Lecture 13: Strength criterion in beams (I/II)

Lecture 14: Strength criterion in beams (II/II) – convexity of strength domain

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