40. A round shaft is subjected to a bending moment $M \sim N(6000, 300^2)$ lbf·in. The yield strength of the shaft is $S_y \sim N(60, 6^2)$ kpsi. If the maximum probability of failure is designed to be $p_f = 10^{-5}$, determine the minimum diameter using the First Order Second Moment Method. Note that M and S_y are independent.

Solution

For a round shaft in bending, the bending stress is given by

$$S = \frac{16M}{\pi d^3}$$

Thus the limit-state function is the bending stress subtracted from the yield strength. Failure occurs when Y < 0

$$Y = g(\mathbf{X}) = S_y - S = S_y - \frac{16M}{\pi d^3}$$

where $\mathbf{X} = (M, S_{v})$.

Using FOSM, we have

$$\mu_{Y} = g(\mathbf{\mu}_{X}) = \mu_{S_{y}} - \frac{16\mu_{M}}{\pi d^{3}} = 60(10^{6}) - \frac{16(6000)}{\pi d^{3}}$$

$$\sigma_{Y} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial M}\Big|_{\mathbf{\mu}_{X}} \sigma_{M}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial S_{y}}\Big|_{\mathbf{\mu}_{X}} \sigma_{S_{y}}\right)^{2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(-\frac{16}{\pi d^{3}} \sigma_{M}\right)^{2} + \left(\sigma_{S_{y}}\right)^{2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(-\frac{16}{\pi d^{3}} (300)\right)^{2} + \left(6(10^{6})\right)^{2}}$$

The probability of failure is

$$p_f = \Phi\left(\frac{-\mu_Y}{\sigma_Y}\right) = \Phi\left(\frac{-\left(60(10^6) - \frac{16(6000)}{\pi d^3}\right)}{\left(\sqrt{\left(-\frac{16}{\pi d^3}(300)\right)^2 + \left(6(10^6)\right)^2}\right)}\right) = 10^{-5}$$

Thus

$$\frac{-\mu_Y}{\sigma_Y} = \frac{-\left(60(10^6) - \frac{16(6000)}{\pi d^3}\right)}{\left(\sqrt{\left(-\frac{16}{\pi d^3}(300)\right)^2 + \left(6(10^6)\right)^2}\right)} = \Phi^{-1}(10^{-5})$$

Solving for *d* yields

$$d = 97.0 \text{ mm}$$

Thus d = 100 mm can be used.