62. A critical stress element is subjected to two normal stresses $S_x \sim N(1, 0.1^2)$ MPa and $S_y \sim N(3, 0.3^2)$ MPa. The Poission's ratio is ν is 0.29 and the modulus of elasticity is E = 90 MPa. If the axial length of the element is $l_x = 2$ mm and allowable axial elongation is $\delta_a = 0.015$ mm, determine the probability of failure using First Order Second Moment Method. Assume that S_x and S_y are independent.



Solution

The axial strain is

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{1}{E} (S_x - \nu S_y)$$

Therefore the axial elongation is given by

$$\delta_x = \epsilon_x l_x = \frac{1}{E} (S_x - \nu S_y) l_x$$

The limit-state function is the actual axial elongation subtracted from the allowable one. Failure occurs when Y < 0.

$$Y = g(\mathbf{X}) = \delta_a - \delta_x = \delta_a - \frac{1}{E}(S_x - \nu S_y)l_x$$

where $\mathbf{X} = (S_x, S_y)$.

Using FOSM, we have

$$\mu_{Y} = g(\mathbf{\mu}_{\mathbf{X}}) = \delta_{a} - \frac{1}{E} \left(\mu_{S_{x}} - \nu \mu_{S_{y}} \right) l_{x}$$

= 1.5(10⁻⁵) - $\frac{1}{90(10^{6})} \left(1(10^{6}) - 0.29(3)(10^{6}) \right) (2)(10^{-3})$

$$= 1.2111(10^{-3}) \text{ m}$$

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

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{\mu_{l_{x}}}{E} \sigma_{S_{x}}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{-\nu\mu_{l_{x}}}{E} \sigma_{S_{y}}\right)^{2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{2(10^{-3})}{90(10^{6})}(1)(10^{5})\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{-0.29(2)(10^{-3})}{90(10^{6})}(3)(10^{5})\right)^{2}}$$

$$= 2.9455(10^{-4}) \text{ m}$$

The probability of failure is then given by

$$p_f = \Phi\left(\frac{-\mu_Y}{\sigma_Y}\right) = \Phi\left(-\frac{1.2111(10^{-3})}{2.9455(10^{-4})}\right) = 1.96 \ (10^{-5})$$

Ans.