

9. A shaft has a circular cross section with a diameter of  $d \sim N(80, 0.8^2)$  mm and is designed to transmit a power  $H = 1$  kW. If the allowable shear stress of the shaft is  $\tau_a \sim N(120, 12^2)$  MPa and the maximum probability of failure is designed to be  $p_f = 10^{-5}$ , determine the minimum shaft working speed to transmit the required power.

### Solution

The transmitted power is given by

$$H = \frac{Tn}{9.55}$$

Thus the required torque is

$$T_r = \frac{9.55H}{n}$$

And the maximum shear stress resulting from the torque is

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{16T_r}{\pi d^3} = \frac{152.8H}{\pi d^3 n}$$

The limit-state function is the actual maximum shear stress subtracted from the allowable one. Failure occurs when  $Y < 0$ .

$$Y = g(\mathbf{X}) = \tau_a - \tau_{\max} = \tau_a - \frac{152.8H}{\pi d^3 n}$$

where  $\mathbf{X} = (\tau_a, d)$ .

Using FOSM, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_Y &= g(\boldsymbol{\mu}_X) = \mu_{\tau_a} - \frac{152.8H}{\pi \mu_d^3 n} \\ \sigma_Y &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial \tau_a}\right)^2 \sigma_{\tau_a}^2 + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial d}\right)^2 \sigma_d^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\sigma_{\tau_a}^2 + \left(\frac{152.8H}{\pi \mu_d^4 n} (-3)\right)^2 \sigma_d^2} \end{aligned}$$

The probability of failure is then given by

$$p_f = \Phi\left(\frac{-\mu_Y}{\sigma_Y}\right) = \Phi\left(\frac{-\left(\mu_{\tau_a} - \frac{152.8H}{\pi\mu_d^3 n}\right)}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\tau_a}^2 + \left(\frac{152.8H}{\pi\mu_d^4 n}(-3)\right)^2 \sigma_d^2}}\right) = 10^{-5}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^{-1}(10^{-5}) &= \frac{-\left(\mu_{\tau_a} - \frac{152.8H}{\pi\mu_d^3 n}\right)}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\tau_a}^2 + \left(\frac{152.8H}{\pi\mu_d^4 n}(-3)\right)^2 \sigma_d^2}} \\ &= \frac{-\left(120(10^6) - \frac{152.8(1)(10^3)}{\pi(80(10^{-3})^3) n}\right)}{\sqrt{(12(10^6))^2 + \left(\frac{152.8(1)(10^3)}{\pi(80(10^{-3})^4) n}(-3)\right)^2 ((0.8)(10^{-3}))^2}} \end{aligned}$$

Solving for  $n$  yields

$$n = 5023 \text{ rpm}$$

**Ans.**