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Complete problem statement Jan. 31, 2003
Prob. 1.23. A 200-mm-long cantilever beam of circular cross section is subjected to a transverse force of 100 N at its free end. What minimum diameter $d$ is required if the deflection 8 at the free end is not to exceed 10 mm ? The beam is made of copper ( $E=130 \mathrm{GPa}$ ).

Solution: -


Explanatory figures) (even if not given with problem)


The deflection $\delta$ is given by

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\delta=\frac{P L^{3}}{3 E I} \quad \text { where } \quad I=\frac{\pi}{64} d^{4} \text {. }
$$

Therefore

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\begin{equation*}
\delta=\frac{P L^{3} \cdot 64}{3 E \pi d^{4}}=\frac{64 P L^{3}}{3 \pi E d^{4}} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Solving for d yields

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\begin{equation*}
d=\sqrt[4]{\frac{64 P L^{3}}{3 \pi E \delta}} \approx \quad \text { Symbolic solution } \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

For the given information,

No more than

$$
d=\sqrt[4]{\frac{64(100)(0.200)^{3}}{3 \pi\left(130 \times 10^{9}\right)(0.010)}}=8.04 \times 10^{-3} \mathrm{~m}
$$

3 significant figures

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=8.04 \mathrm{~mm} \text { Correct units Ans. }
$$

This is a minimum value, since if $d$ were smaller than this, $\delta$ in (1) would be larger than 10 mm .

