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Assignment 3.

1) The power P dissipated in a resistor is given as in Equation (1).

$$P = \frac{E^2}{R} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

If $E = 200$ volts and $R = 8$ ohms, find the change in P resulting from a drop of 5 volts in E and an increase of 0.2 Ohm in R .

Solution:

$$P = \frac{E^2}{R} \quad \text{ie } P = f(E, R)$$

$$\therefore \delta P = \frac{\partial P}{\partial E} \cdot \delta E + \frac{\partial P}{\partial R} \cdot \delta R$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial E} = \frac{2E}{R} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial P}{\partial R} = \frac{-E^2}{R^2} = \frac{-(200)^2}{8^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial E} = \frac{2 \times 200}{8} = 50 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial P}{\partial R} = -625$$

$$\delta E = -5, \quad \delta R = +0.2$$

$$\delta P = (50 \times -5) - (625 \times 0.2)$$

$$= -250 - 125$$

$$\delta P = -375$$

Therefore, P decreases by 375 watts.

2) The deflection y at the centre of a circular plate suspended at the edge and uniformly loaded is given in Equation (2),

$$y = \frac{kwld^4}{t^3}$$

where w = total load, d = diameter of plate, t = thickness and k is a constant.

Calculate the approximate percentage change in y if w is increased by 3 percent, d is increased by $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent and t is increased by 4 per cent.

Solution.

$$\delta y = \frac{\partial y}{\partial w} \cdot \delta w + \frac{\partial y}{\partial d} \cdot \delta d + \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \cdot \delta t$$

But $y = \frac{kwld^4}{t^3}$ where k is constant

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial w} = \frac{k d^4}{t^3}$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial d} = \frac{4kwld^3}{t^3}$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = \frac{-3kwld^4}{t^4}$$

$$\delta w = \frac{3}{100} \text{ of } w, \quad \delta d = \frac{5}{200} \text{ of } d, \quad \delta t = \frac{4}{100} \text{ of } t$$

$$\delta w = \frac{3w}{100}, \quad \delta d = \frac{5d}{200}, \quad \delta t = \frac{4t}{100}$$

$$\delta y = \frac{kd^4}{t^3} \left[\frac{3w}{100} \right] + \frac{4kwd^3}{t^3} \left[\frac{5d}{200} \right] + \left[\frac{-3kwd^4}{t^4} \right] \frac{4t}{100}$$

$$= \frac{3kwd^4}{100t^3} + \frac{20kwd^4}{200t^3} - \frac{3 \cdot 4kwd^4}{100t^3}$$

$$= \frac{kwd^4}{t^3} \left[\frac{3}{100} + \frac{20}{200} - \frac{12}{100} \right]$$

$$= \frac{kwd^4}{t^3} \left[\frac{6+20-24}{200} \right]$$

$$= \frac{kwd^4}{t^3} \left[\frac{2}{200} \right]$$

$$= y \left[\frac{1}{100} \right]$$

$$\delta y = y \left[\frac{1}{100} \right]$$

Therefore, y increases by 1 per cent.