

In the design of a closed-end, thin-walled cylindrical pressure vessel shown in the figure below, the design objective is to select the mean radius R and wall thickness t to minimize the total mass. The vessel should contain at least 30.0 m^3 of gas at an internal pressure of $P = 5.0 \text{ MPa}$. It is required that the circumferential stress in the pressure vessel not exceed 300 MPa and the circumferential strain not exceed 2.0×10^{-3} . The circumferential stress and strain are calculated from the equations:

$$\sigma_c = \frac{PR}{t}, \quad \varepsilon_c = \frac{PR(2-\nu)}{2Et}$$

where σ_c is the circumferential stress (in Pa) and ε_c is the circumferential strain.

Parameters describing the vessel are:

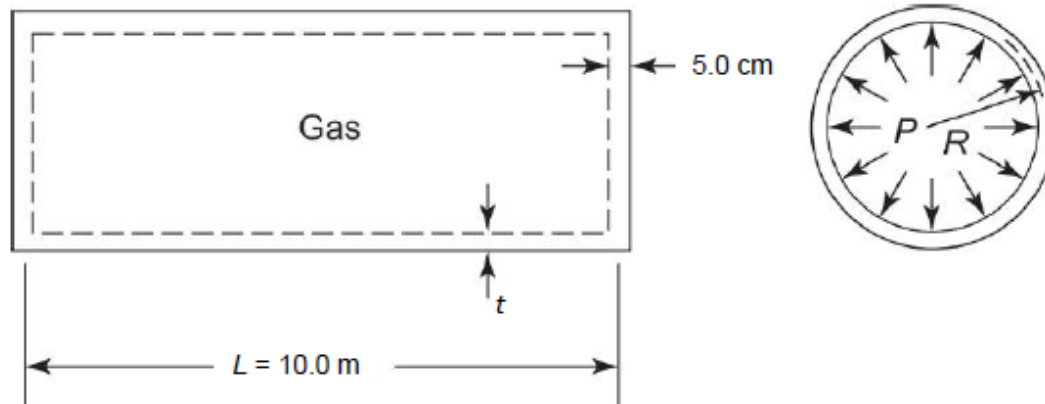
$$\rho = \text{density of vessel} = 7850 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$E = \text{Young's modulus} = 210 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\nu = \text{Poisson's ratio} = 0.30$$

$$L = \text{Length of vessel} = 10.0 \text{ m}$$

$$w = \text{Thickness of endcap} = 5.0 \text{ cm}$$



- Carefully set up the problem and concisely describe the optimization problem
- Solve the problem graphically
- Solve the problem using Excel
- Solve the problem using Matlab