

## MECHANICAL CALCULATIONS OF THE SHELL BREAKAGE OF APRICOT PITS

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**Abstract.** This article is devoted to the development of a mathematical model of the process of crack formation on the shell of apricot kernels under mechanical action.

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Static and kinematic formulations of the tasks of limiting equilibrium of pits shows that the condition of fluidity is important in determining the upper and lower estimates of the ultimate fracture and breakage of pits.

In the general case, when the impact force is acted, internal forces arise at each point of the pit shell: normal forces  $N_x$  and  $N_y$ , shear forces  $N_{xy}$ , transverse forces  $Q_x$  and  $Q_y$ , bending moments  $M_x$  and  $M_y$ , as well as torque moments  $M_{xy}$ . Usually, the effect of transverse forces on the transition of the material to the plastic state is small, so often the plasticity conditions can be associated with only six of the eight internal forces.

Let us denote the following curvatures

$$K_x = \frac{d^2z}{dx^2}; \quad K_y = \frac{d^2y}{dy^2}; \quad K_{xy} = \frac{d^2z}{dxdy};$$

and passing to without momentary force

$$n_x = N_x N_0^{-1}; \quad n_y = N_y N_0^{-1}; \quad n_{xy} = N_{xy} N_0^{-1}; \quad N_0 = \mathfrak{S}kh, \quad (1)$$

Where  $h$  is thickness of the shell of the stone, then we obtain a system of linear equations for the grid node with the number

$$\begin{cases} (k_x n_x)_{i,j} - 2(k_{xy} n_{xy})_{ij} + (k_y n_y)_{i,j} + q_{i,j} = 0, \\ (n_x)_{i-1,j} - (n_x)_{i,j} + (n_{xy})_{i,j-1} - (n_{xy})_{i,j} = 0, \\ (n_y)_{i,j-1} - (n_y)_{i,j} + (n_{xy})_{i-1,j} - (n_{xy})_{i,j} = 0 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Equation (2) can be written for each node of the grid area.

As can be seen from the description of mathematical models of limit equilibrium problems (1) and (2), an important role is played by the equilibrium conditions. They are usually written in differential form.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dn_x}{dx} + \frac{dx_{xy}}{dy} = 0; & \frac{dn}{dy} + \frac{dn_{xy}}{dx} = 0; \\ \frac{d^2z}{dx^2} n_x - 2 \frac{d^2z}{dx dy} n_{xy} + \frac{d^2z}{dy^2} n_y + \frac{d^2m_x}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{d^2m_{xy}}{dx dy} + \frac{d^2m_y}{dy^2} - q = 0 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

This is the partial differential equation.

In general case, that is, in the moment theory of the shell of pits, in order to represent the second derivatives of the moments in the equation, we use the second differences. For  $i, j$  point we get.

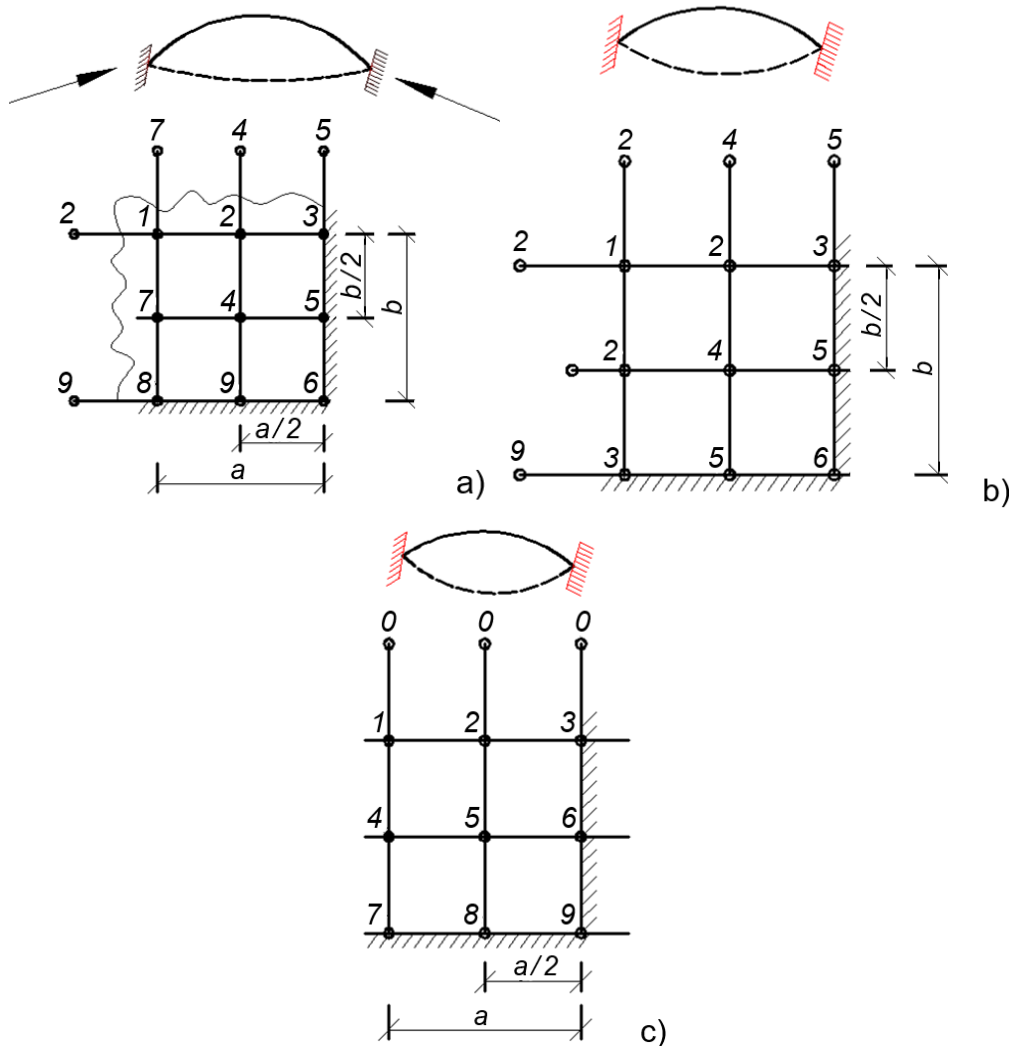
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d^2 m_x}{dx^2} = \Delta x^{-2} ((m_x)_{i-1,j} - 2(m_x)_{i,j} + (m_x)_{i+1,j}), \\ \frac{d^2 m_y}{dy^2} = \Delta y^{-2} ((m_y)_{i,j-1} - 2(m_y)_{i,j} + (m_y)_{i,j+1}), \\ \frac{d^2 m_{xy}}{dxdy} = (h\Delta x\Delta y)^{-1} ((m_{xy})_{i-1,j-i} + (m_{xy})_{i,j} - (m_{xy})_{i-1,j} - (m_{xy})_{i,j-1}) \end{array} \right. \quad (4)$$

where  $\Delta x, \Delta y$  are grid steps in each of the directions, the values  $m_x, m_y, m_{xy}$ , are bending moments, introduced by the formulas

$$m_x m_0^{-1}; m_y m_0^{-1}; m_{xy} m_{xy} m_0^{-1}; m_0 = 4^{-1} \ominus h^2$$

Substituting relations (10) into (5) allows the third equation to be replaced by the corresponding algebraic expression. It is important to note that its algebraic equations obtained by grid discretization are linear with respect to  $n_x, n_y, \dots, m_{xy}$ .

Let us consider  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the shell of an apricot pit in a square plan.



**Fig. 1. Finite-difference grid and numbering of nodes.**

Fig. 1 shows the finite-difference grid and the numbering of the nodes. Compiling the equilibrium equations (5) in algebraic form, we consider that from equilibrium equations (9), it is necessary to compose only loose knots of the pit shell.

If we assume that the shells of apricot pit are supported along two and special points of the sides, then we will write equilibrium equations only for internal nodes 1, 2 and 4. Since we compose three equilibrium equations for each node, we get nine algebraic equations in total:

- symmetry conditions of the problem allow identifying nodes (Fig. 1b) 2 and 7, 3 and 8, 9 and 5 as well as 7, 10. 4 and 11, 2 and 13, 4 and 14 when compiling the equilibrium equations, and due to this, we can noticeably simplify the equations;

- the conditions for fixing the edges allow immediately specifying the values of internal forces at grid points coinciding with the contour, for the free bearing of the edges when

$$x = \neq a, N_x = 0; M_x = 0; N_y \neq 0 \text{ etc.}$$

$$y = \neq a, N_y = 0; M_y = 0; N_x \neq 0 \text{ etc.}$$

For definiteness, the middle surface of the shell of an apricot pit be an elliptical paraboloid.

$$Z = \frac{f}{2a^2}(x^2 + y^2) \tag{5}$$

where  $2a$  is the size of the side of the shell of the stone in plan;  $f$  is arrow of convexity.

Calculating the curvature of the middle shell of an apricot pit, we find

$$\begin{cases} K_x = \frac{d^2z}{dx^2} = fa^{-2}, \\ K_y = \frac{d^2z}{dy^2} = fa^{-2}, \\ K_{xy} = \frac{d^2z}{dx dy} = 0 \end{cases} \tag{6}$$

Additionally, denoting  $Y = fa^{-1}$  the flatness of the shell of the stone,  $e = kf^{-1}$  the relative thickness,  $p = q\mathcal{E}_0^{-1}$  the dimensionless intensity of the uniform force, we will take for a specific example  $Y = 0.2y$ ,  $e = 0.055$ . In order to control the error in approximating hypersurfaces by polyhedron, it is necessary to construct strongly both inscribed and hewn polyhedrons.

2. The size of the problem, the volume of calculations, the time consumption significantly depends on the number of faces of polyhedron and increases sharply with an increase in their number. With a small number of hyperplanes of the polyhedron, the volume of the problem is small, but the accuracy of the results is also low. Therefore, the problem of choosing the optimal number of faces with the least amount of time arises. Equilibrium equations under the action of a uniform transverse impact force are compiled for nodes 1, 2 and 4 of the grids, which are given in Table. 1. In the moment statement of the problem, Table. 2 (Fig. 1-c).

**Table 1**

<i>Number of points</i>																																					
$N_0$	①			②			③			④			⑤			⑥			Force load																		
	$n_x$	$n_y$	$n_{xy}$	$n_x$	$n_y$	$n_{xy}$	$n_x$	$n_y$	$n_{xy}$	$n_x$	$n_y$	$n_{xy}$	$n_x$	$n_y$	$n_{xy}$	$n_x$	$n_y$	$n_{xy}$																			
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2	1			-1		-1					1								0																		
3				1				-1		-1									0																		
4				1		1			1		-1								0																		
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