

M18. Cracks will propagate at highest ~~stress~~ tensile stress

This is in case (2)  $\sigma_I = \frac{812.3 \times 10^3}{2.45 \times 10^{-3}} = 331.6 \text{ MPa}$ .

$$\sigma_{fc} = \text{Critical crack size} = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{K_{Ic}}{\sigma} \right)^2 = 1.7 \times 10^{-3}$$

$\therefore$  total crack size = ~~1.7~~ 3.4 mm  $\Leftarrow$

Need to reduce stress to point where critical crack half length = 2.5 mm  $\Leftarrow$ .

$$\therefore \sigma = 24 \times 10^6 \sqrt{\pi \times 2.5 \times 10^{-3}} = 270.8 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\therefore \frac{812.3 \times 10^3}{t} = 270.8 \text{ MPa} \Rightarrow t = \frac{812.3 \times 10^3}{270.8 \times 10^6} = 3 \text{ mm} \Leftarrow$$