2 The diagram shows a crank handle for turning a machine. It is made from solid round bar 15 mm diameter.



100 mm

(a) Calculate the force required at point P so that a torque of 50 Nm is exerted on the machine.

## SOLUTION

The force has a turning arm of 150 mm so the torque is  $T = 50 = F \times 0.15$  F = 50/0.15 = 333.3 N

(b) Calculate the maximum principal stress produced in the handle by this force ignoring stress concentrations.

## SOLUTION

At the point where the handle is connected to the machine the bending moment is a maximum and the torque is a maximum so this point will be used.

 $\begin{array}{ll} T=50\ N\ m & M=333.3\ x\ 0.3\ m=100\ Nm \\ BENDING\ STRESS \\ \sigma=My/I & y=7.5\ x\ 10^{-3}\ m & I=\pi\ x\ (15\ x\ 10^{-3})^4/64=7.705\ x\ 10^{-8}\ m^4 \\ \sigma=100\ x\ 7.5\ x\ 10^{-3}/\ 7.705\ x\ 10^{-8}=9.734\ x\ 10^6\ N/m^2 \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{TORSIONAL STRESS} \\ \tau = \text{TR/J} \qquad R = 0.15 \qquad J = 2\text{I} \\ \tau = 50 \ x \ 0.15/1.541 \ x \ 10^{-7} = 2.433 \ x \ 10^6 \ \text{N/m}^2 \end{array}$ 

Constructing Mohr's circle of stress we get



The greatest principal stress is  $\sigma_p = 9.734/2 + \sqrt{[2.433^2 + (9.734/2)^2]} = 31$  MPa