37. (III) Four bricks are to be stacked at the edge of a table, each brick overhanging the one below it, so that the top brick extends as far as possible beyond the edge of the table. (a) To achieve this, show that successive bricks must extend no more than (starting at the top) $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{6}$, and $\frac{1}{8}$ of their length beyond the one below (Fig. 9–67a). (b) Is the top brick completely beyond the base? (c) Determine a general formula for the maximum total distance spanned by n bricks if they are to remain stable. (d) A builder wants to construct a corbeled arch (Fig. 9–67b) based on the principle of stability discussed in (a) and (c) above. What minimum number of bricks, each 0.30 m long, is needed if the arch is to span 1.0 m?
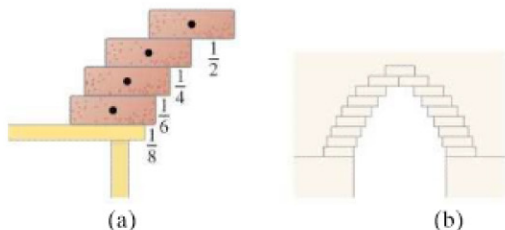

(a)   (b)

FIGURE 9–67 Problem 37.

* **38.** (I) A nylon string on a tennis racket is under a tension of 275 N. If its diameter is 1.00 mm, by how much is it lengthened from its untensioned length of 30.0 cm?

* **39.** (I) A marble column of cross-sectional area $1.2\ m^2$ supports a mass of 25,000 kg. (a) What is the stress within the column? (b) What is the strain?

* **40.** (I) By how much is the column in Problem 39 shortened if it is 9.6 m high?

* **41.** (I) A sign (mass 2100 kg) hangs from the end of a vertical steel girder with a cross-sectional area of $0.15\ m^2$. (a) What is the stress within the girder? (b) What is the strain on the girder? (c) If the girder is 9.50 m long, how much is it lengthened? (Ignore the mass of the girder itself.)

* **42.** (II) One liter of alcohol $(1000\ cm^3)$ in a flexible container is carried to the bottom of the sea, where the pressure is $2.6 \times 10^6\ N/m^2$. What will be its volume there?

* **43.** (II) A 15-cm-long tendon was found to stretch 3.7 mm by a force of 13.4 N. The tendon was approximately round with an average diameter of 8.5 mm. Calculate the Young's modulus of this tendon.

* **44.** (II) How much pressure is needed to compress the volume of an iron block by 0.10%? Express your answer in N/m^2, and compare it to atmospheric pressure $(1.0 \times 10^5\ N/m^2)$.

* **45.** (II) At depths of 2000 m in the sea, the pressure is about 200 times atmospheric pressure $(1\ atm = 1.0 \times 10^5\ N/m^2)$. By what percentage does the interior space of an iron bathysphere's volume change at this depth?

* **46.** (III) A scallop forces open its shell with an elastic material called abductin, whose Young's modulus is about $2.0 \times 10^6\ N/m^2$. If this piece of abductin is 3.0 mm thick and has a cross-sectional area of $0.50\ cm^2$, how much potential energy does it store when compressed 1.0 mm?

* **47.** (III) A pole projects horizontally from the front wall of a shop. A 5.1-kg sign hangs from the pole at a point 2.2 m from the wall (Fig. 9–68). (a) What is the torque due to this sign calculated about the point where the pole meets the wall? (b) If the pole is not to fall off, there must be another torque exerted to balance it. What exerts this torque? Use a diagram to show how this torque must act. (c) Discuss whether compression, tension, and/or shear play a role in part (b).
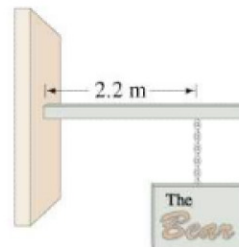

FIGURE 9–68
Problem 47.

* **48.** (I) The femur bone in the human leg has a minimum effective cross section of about $3.0\ cm^2\ (= 3.0 \times 10^{-4}\ m^2)$. How much compressive force can it withstand before breaking?

* **49.** (II) (a) What is the maximum tension possible in a 1.00-mm-diameter nylon tennis racket string? (b) If you want tighter strings, what do you do to prevent breakage: use thinner or thicker strings? Why? What causes strings to break when they are hit by the ball?

* **50.** (II) If a compressive force of $3.6 \times 10^4\ N$ is exerted on the end of a 22-cm-long bone of cross-sectional area $3.6\ cm^2$, (a) will the bone break, and (b) if not, by how much does it shorten?

* **51.** (II) (a) What is the minimum cross-sectional area required of a vertical steel cable from which is suspended a 320-kg chandelier? Assume a safety factor of 7.0 (b) If the cable is 7.5 m long, how much does it elongate?

* **52.** (II) Assume the supports of the uniform cantilever shown in Fig. 9–69 (mass = 2600 kg) are made of wood. Calculate the minimum cross-sectional area required of each, assuming a safety factor of 8.5.
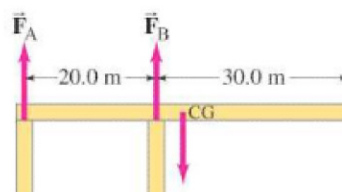

FIGURE 9–69
Problem 52.

* **53.** (II) An iron bolt is used to connect two iron plates together. The bolt must withstand shear forces up to about 3200 N. Calculate the minimum diameter for the bolt, based on a safety factor of 6.0.

* **54.** (III) A steel cable is to support an elevator whose total (loaded) mass is not to exceed 3100 kg. If the maximum acceleration of the elevator is $1.2\ m/s^2$, calculate the diameter of cable required. Assume a safety factor of 7.0.

* **55.** (II) How high must a pointed arch be if it is to span a space 8.0 m wide and exert one-third the horizontal force at its base that a round arch would?