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1. The relevant boundary conditions are $\varphi(0) = 0$ and $GJ\varphi'(L) = 0$.

$$GJ\varphi'' = -t_o H(z - a) \quad (1)$$

$$GJ\varphi' = -t_o \langle z - a \rangle + C \quad (2)$$

$$GJ\varphi = -t_o \langle z - a \rangle^2 / 2 + Cz + D \quad (3)$$

Solving for C, D gives $D = 0$ and $C = t_o(L - a)$, to yield

$$\varphi(z) = \frac{t_o}{GJ} [-\langle z - a \rangle^2 / 2 + (L - a)z] \quad (4)$$

Evaluating at $z = a/2$ gives:

$$\varphi(z) = \frac{t_o}{GJ} (L - a)a/2 \quad (5)$$

2. Note that $R(x) = P$, where P is to be determined, and the strain is homogeneous.

$$P = \int_A \sigma dA \quad (6)$$

$$= \int_{A_1} E_1 \varepsilon^3 dA + \int_{A_2} E_2 \varepsilon dA \quad (7)$$

$$= A_1 E_1 \varepsilon^3 + A_2 E_2 \varepsilon \quad (8)$$

$$= \frac{A_1 E_1 \left(\frac{\Delta}{L}\right)^3 + A_2 E_2 \left(\frac{\Delta}{L}\right)}{\quad} \quad (9)$$

where $A_1 = \pi R_1^2$ and $A_2 = \pi(R_2^2 - R_1^2)$.

3. In the final configuration the ring is in a state of strain with

$$\varepsilon_{\theta\theta} = \frac{D_1 - D_2}{D_2} \approx \frac{\sigma_{\theta\theta}}{E} - \frac{\nu}{E} \left(\underbrace{\sigma_{zz}}_{=0} + \underbrace{\sigma_{rr}}_{\approx 0} \right) \quad (10)$$

This gives $\sigma_{\theta\theta} = E(D_1 - D_2)/D_2$. Force balance on the ring now gives:

$$ptD_1 = 2\sigma_{\theta\theta}t^2 \quad (11)$$

$$p = 2\sigma_{\theta\theta}t/D_1 \quad (12)$$

$$p = \frac{2Et(D_1 - D_2)}{\underline{\underline{D_1 D_2}}} \quad (13)$$