
Formulation and Solution Strategies

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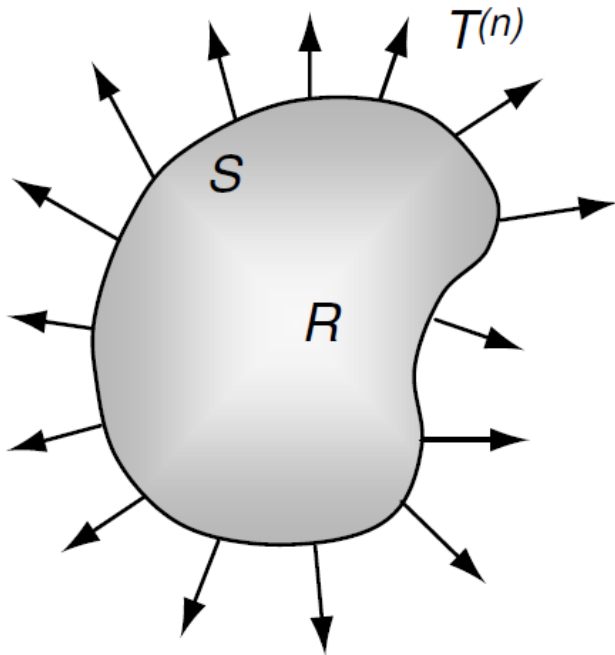
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Governing Equations in linear elasticity

- Strain-displacement relations: $\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(u_{i,j} + u_{j,i})$ (6 eqns)
- Strain compatibility: $\varepsilon_{ij,kl} + \varepsilon_{kl,ij} - \varepsilon_{ik,jl} - \varepsilon_{jl,ik} = 0$ (6 eqns)
- Equilibrium: $\sigma_{ij,j} + F_i = 0$ (3 eqns)
- Isotropic Hooke's Law:
$$\sigma_{ij} = \lambda \varepsilon_{kk} \delta_{ij} + 2G \varepsilon_{ij}; \quad \varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1+\nu}{E} \sigma_{ij} - \frac{\nu}{E} \sigma_{kk} \delta_{ij}. \quad (6 \text{ eqns})$$
- 15 equations for 15 unknowns (3 displacements, 6 strains, 6 stresses).
- May define the entire system as

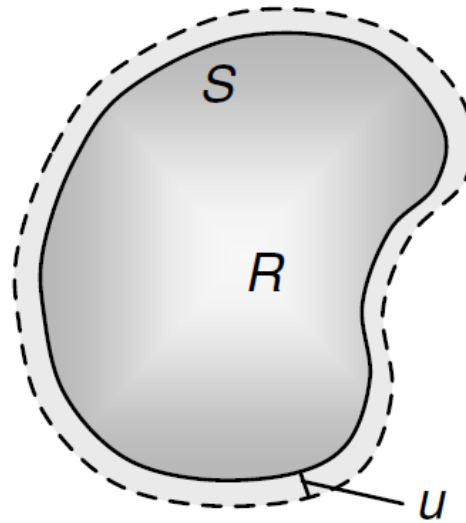
$$f \{ u_i, \varepsilon_{ij}, \sigma_{ij}; \lambda, G, F_i \} = 0$$

Traction and Displacement Boundary Conditions



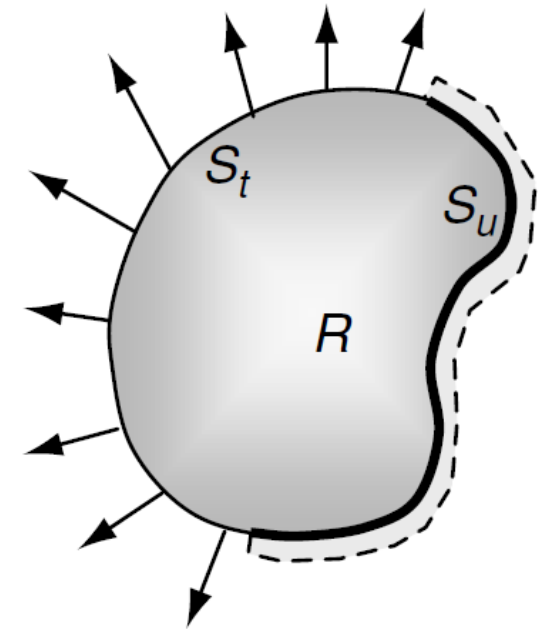
Traction Conditions

(a)



Displacement Conditions

(b)



Mixed Conditions

(c)

Boundary Conditions on Coordinate Surfaces

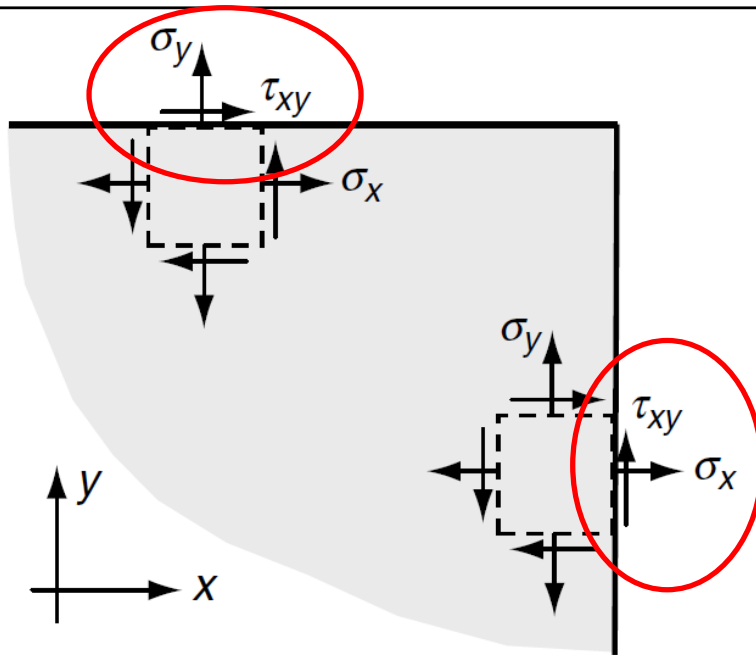
- The traction specification can be reduced to a stress specification.

$$T_x^{(x)} = \sigma_x, T_y^{(x)} = \tau_{xy} \cdot (\sigma_y \text{ is irrelevant.})$$

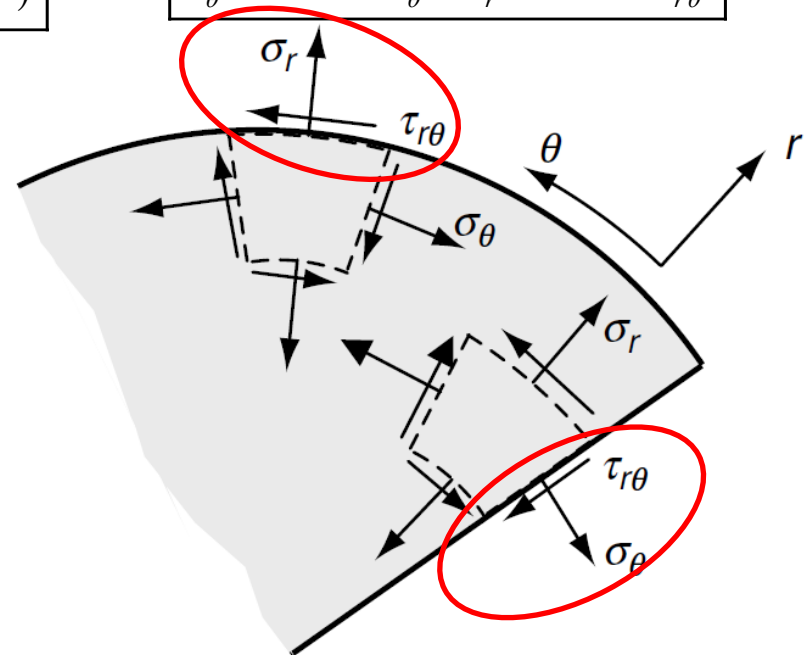
$$T_y^{(y)} = \sigma_y, T_x^{(y)} = \tau_{xy} \cdot (\sigma_x \text{ is irrelevant.})$$

$$T_r^{(r)} = \sigma_r, T_\theta^{(r)} = \tau_{r\theta}$$

$$T_\theta^{(\theta)} = -\sigma_\theta, T_r^{(\theta)} = -\tau_{r\theta}$$



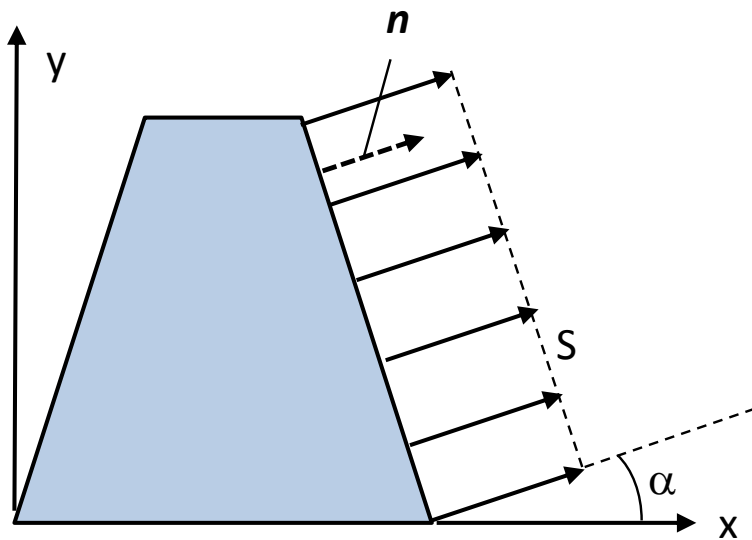
(Cartesian Coordinate Boundaries)



(Polar Coordinate Boundaries)

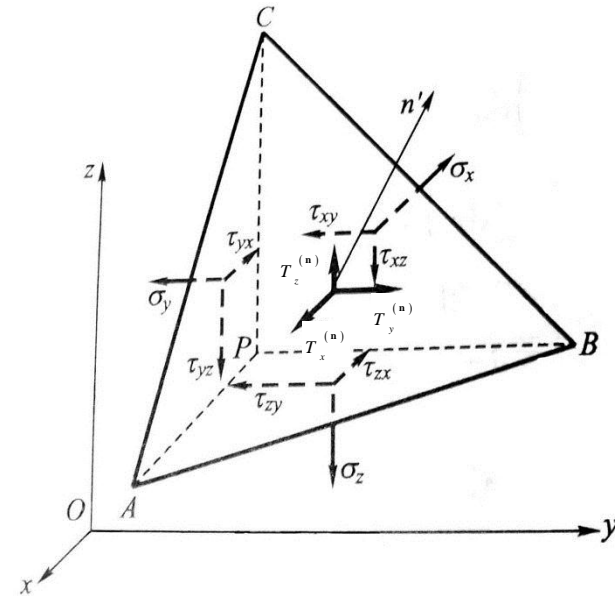
Boundary Conditions on Oblique Surfaces

- On general non-coordinate surfaces traction vector will not reduce to individual stress components and general form of traction vector must then be used.



$$\sigma_x n_x + \tau_{xy} n_y = T_x^{(n)} = S \cos \alpha$$

$$\tau_{xy} n_x + \sigma_y n_y = T_y^{(n)} = S \sin \alpha$$



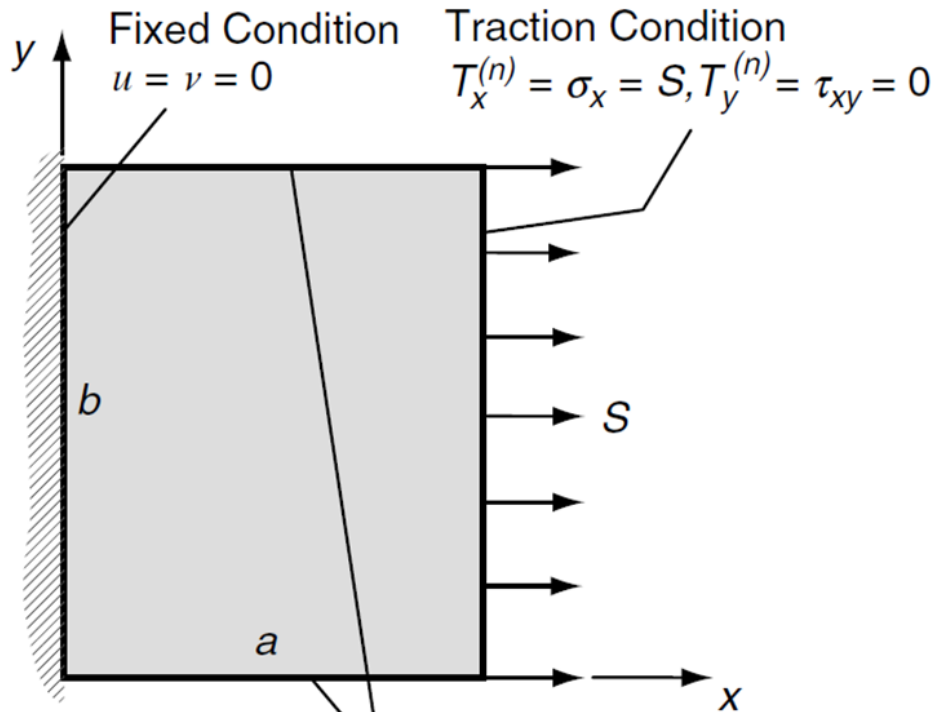
$$\sigma_x n_x + \tau_{xy} n_y + \tau_{xz} n_z = T_x^{(n)}$$

$$\tau_{xy} n_x + \sigma_y n_y + \tau_{yz} n_z = T_y^{(n)}$$

$$\tau_{xz} n_x + \tau_{yz} n_y + \sigma_z n_z = T_z^{(n)}$$

Example of Boundary Conditions

Example (1)

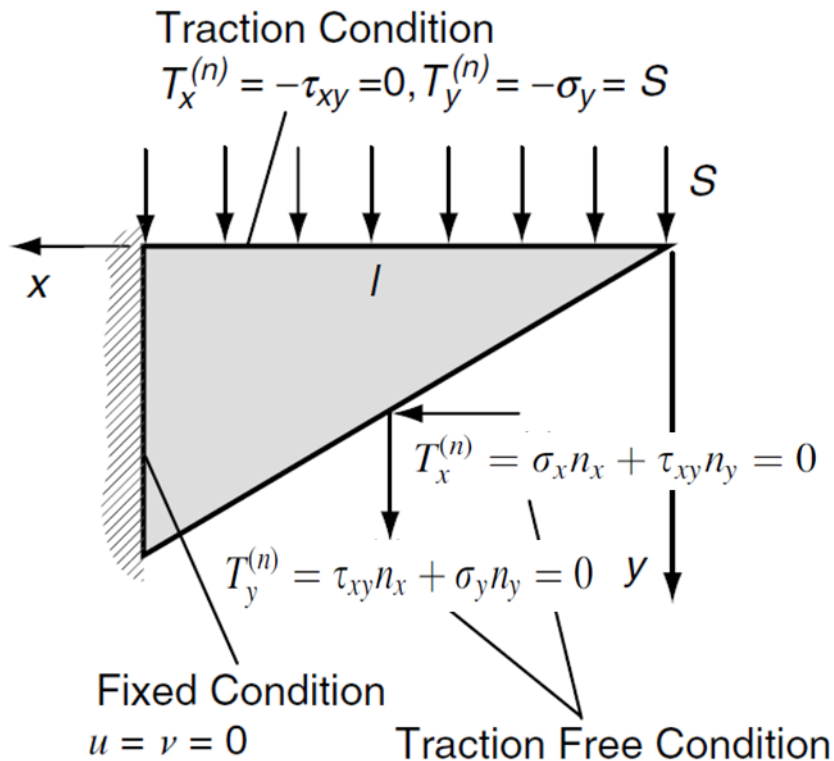


Traction Free Condition
 $T_x^{(n)} = \tau_{xy} = 0, T_y^{(n)} = \sigma_y = 0$

(Coordinate Surface Boundaries)

Example of Boundary Conditions

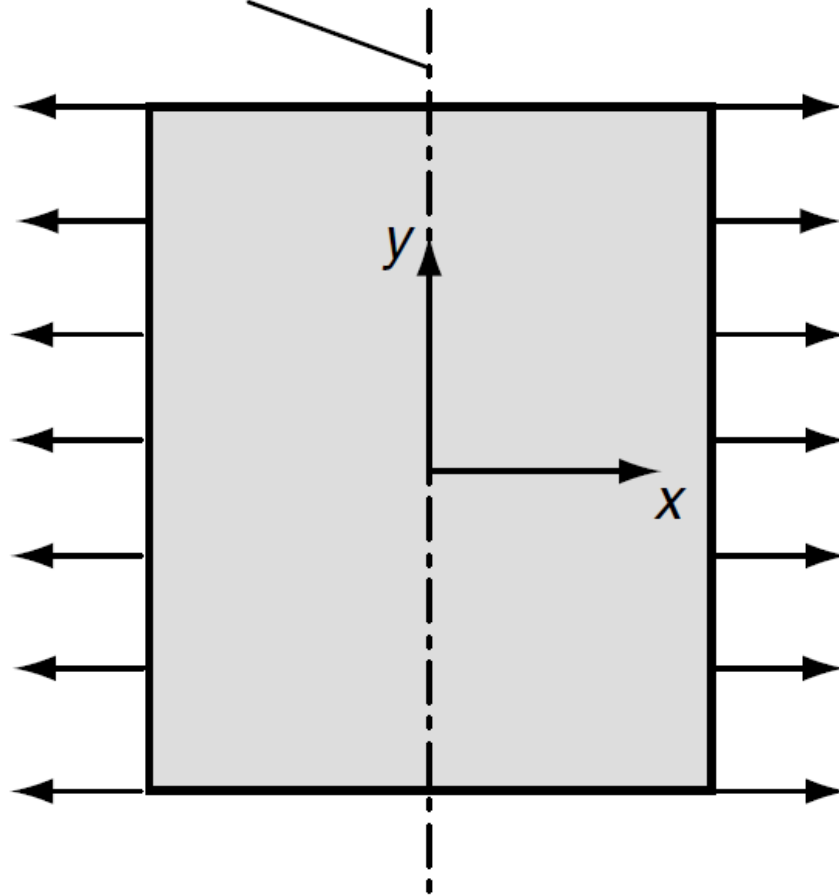
Example (2)



(Non-Coordinate Surface Boundary)

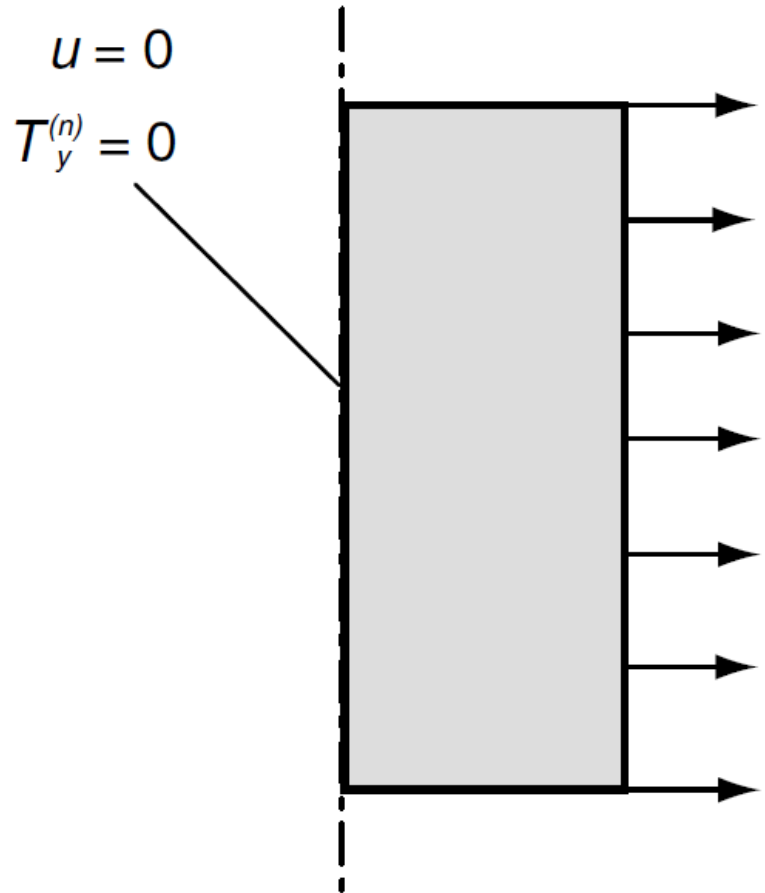
Line of Symmetry Boundary Conditions

Symmetry Line



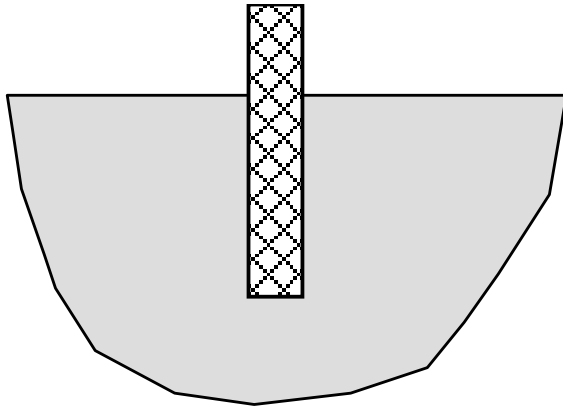
Rigid-Smooth
Boundary Condition

$$u = 0$$
$$T_y^{(n)} = 0$$

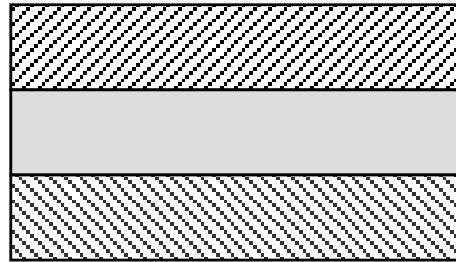


Line of symmetry boundary condition.

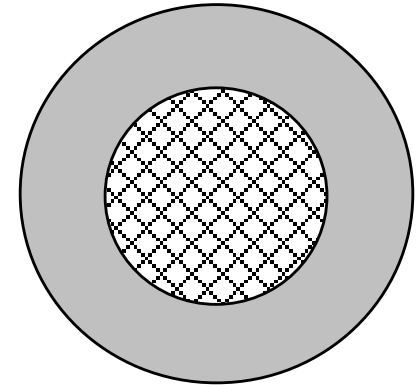
Interface Boundary Conditions



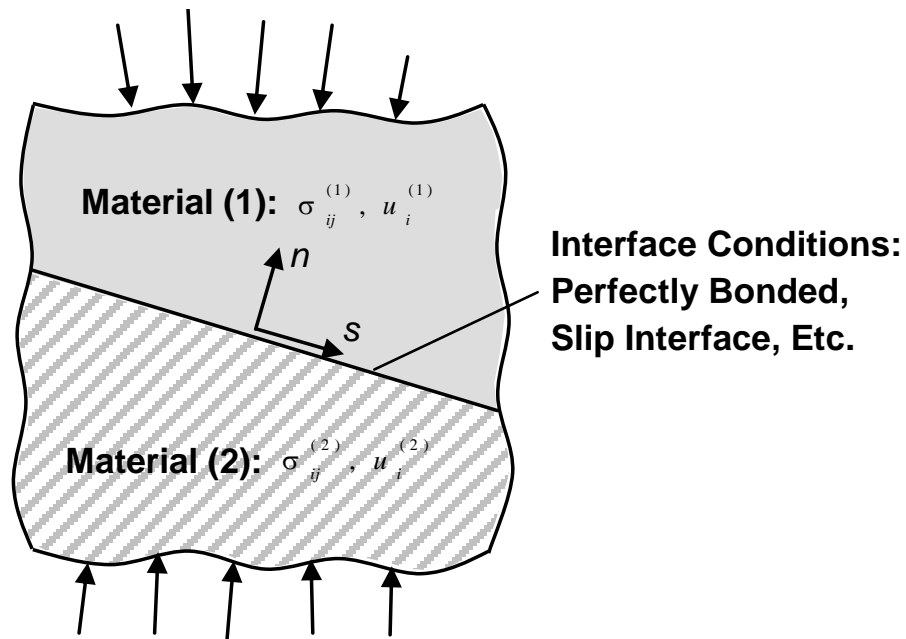
Embedded Fiber or Rod



Layered Composite Plate

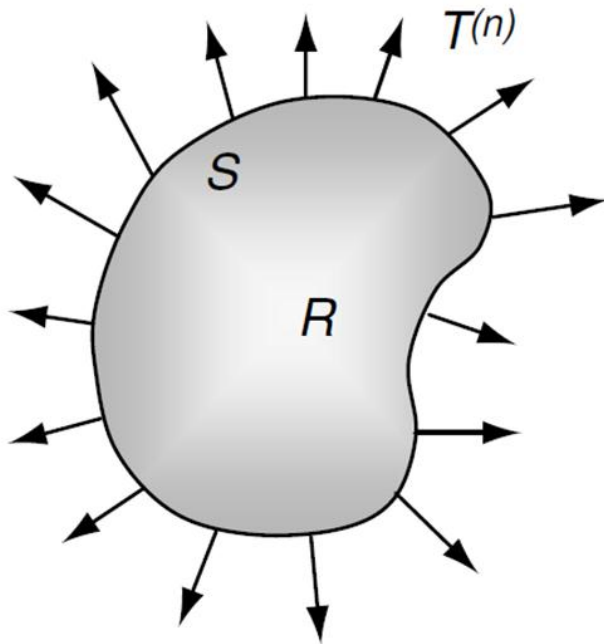


Composite Cylinder or Disk

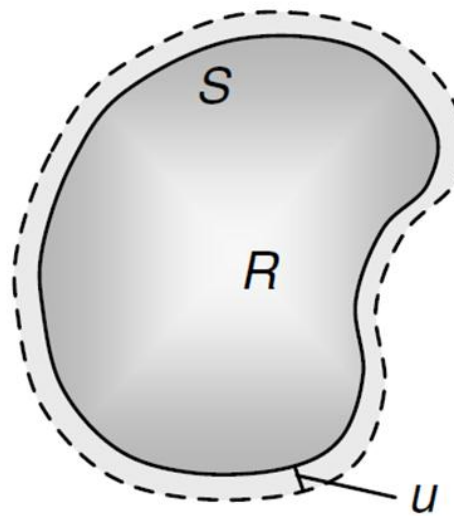


Problem Classification

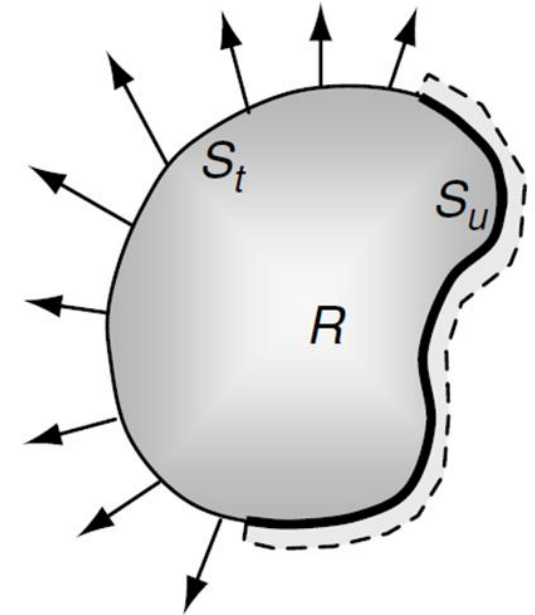
- Goal: determine the distribution of displacements, strains and stresses in the interior of an elastic body under equilibrium when body forces are given.



Traction Problem



Displacement Problem



Mixed Problem

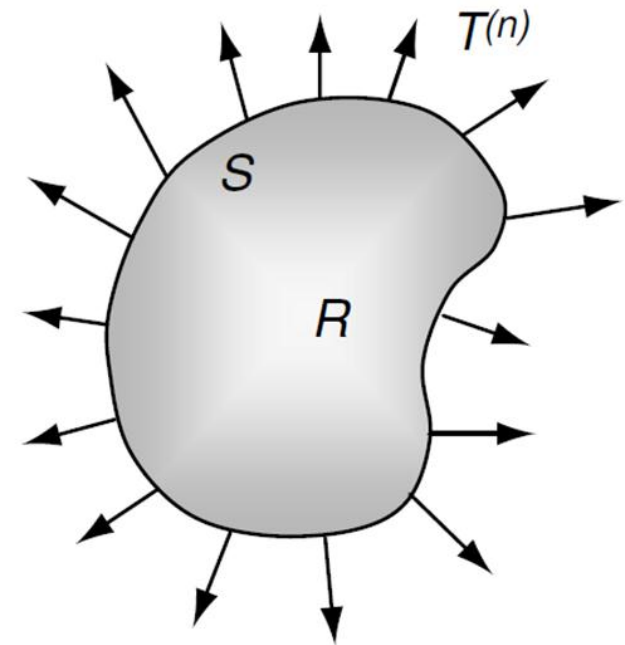
$$f \{ u_i, \varepsilon_{ij}, \sigma_{ij}; \lambda, G, F_i \} = 0$$



Simplification!

Stress Formulation

- Applicable to Traction Problem
- Boundary conditions are given in terms of the tractions or stress components
- Aiming to reformulate the field equations solely in terms of the stresses by eliminating the displacements and strains



Stress Formulation

- Using Hooke's law to rewrite the compatibility in terms of the stresses

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1+\nu}{E} \sigma_{ij} - \frac{\nu}{E} \sigma_{kk} \delta_{ij} \quad (\text{Hooke's Law})$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varepsilon_{ij,kl} = \frac{1+\nu}{E} \sigma_{ij,kl} - \frac{\nu}{E} \sigma_{mm,kl} \delta_{ij}, \quad \varepsilon_{kl,ij} = \frac{1+\nu}{E} \sigma_{kl,ij} - \frac{\nu}{E} \sigma_{mm,ij} \delta_{kl} \\ \varepsilon_{ik,jl} = \frac{1+\nu}{E} \sigma_{ik,jl} - \frac{\nu}{E} \sigma_{mm,jl} \delta_{ik}, \quad \varepsilon_{jl,ik} = \frac{1+\nu}{E} \sigma_{jl,ik} - \frac{\nu}{E} \sigma_{mm,ik} \delta_{jl} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij,kl} + \varepsilon_{kl,ij} - \varepsilon_{ik,jl} - \varepsilon_{jl,ik} = 0 \quad (\text{Strain compatibility})$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{ij,kl} + \sigma_{kl,ij} - \sigma_{ik,jl} - \sigma_{jl,ik} = \frac{\nu}{1+\nu} (\sigma_{mm,kl} \delta_{ij} + \sigma_{mm,ij} \delta_{kl} - \sigma_{mm,jl} \delta_{ik} - \sigma_{mm,ik} \delta_{jl})$$

- Recall that, only 6 out of the 81 are meaningful

$$\boxed{k=l} \Rightarrow \sigma_{ij,kk} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \sigma_{kk,ij} = \frac{\nu}{1+\nu} \sigma_{mm,kk} \delta_{ij} + \sigma_{ik,jk} + \sigma_{jk,ik}$$

Stress Formulation

- Further simplifying the compatibility using equilibrium equations

$$\sigma_{ik,k} = -F_i \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sigma_{ik,jk} = -F_{i,j} \\ \sigma_{jk,ik} = -F_{j,i} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \sigma_{ij,kk} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \sigma_{kk,ij} = \frac{\nu}{1+\nu} \sigma_{mm,kk} \delta_{ij} - (F_{i,j} + F_{j,i})$$

$$i = j \Rightarrow \sigma_{ii,kk} = -\frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} F_{i,i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sigma_{ij,kk} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \sigma_{kk,ij} = -\frac{\nu}{1-\nu} F_{k,k} \delta_{ij} - (F_{i,j} + F_{j,i}) \\ \nabla^2 \sigma + \frac{1}{1+\nu} (\nabla \sigma_{kk}) \nabla = -\frac{\nu}{1-\nu} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) \mathbf{I} - (\mathbf{F} \nabla + \nabla \mathbf{F}) \end{cases}$$

- Beltrami-Michell Compatibility Equations (Compatibility in terms of stress)

Stress Formulation

- Scalar equations

$$\nabla^2 \sigma_x + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) = -\frac{\nu}{1-\nu} \left(\frac{\partial F_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial z} \right) - 2 \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial x},$$

$$\nabla^2 \sigma_y + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) = -\frac{\nu}{1-\nu} \left(\frac{\partial F_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial z} \right) - 2 \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial y},$$

$$\nabla^2 \sigma_z + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) = -\frac{\nu}{1-\nu} \left(\frac{\partial F_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial z} \right) - 2 \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial z},$$

$$\nabla^2 \tau_{xy} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) = -\left(\frac{\partial F_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial x} \right),$$

$$\nabla^2 \tau_{xz} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial z} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) = -\left(\frac{\partial F_x}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial x} \right),$$

$$\nabla^2 \tau_{yz} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial z} (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) = -\left(\frac{\partial F_y}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial y} \right).$$

Stress Formulation

- Only 3 are independent, i.e.
- 3 equilibrium equations

$$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} (\sigma_z - \nu (\sigma_x + \sigma_y))$$

$$= (1 + \nu) \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x \partial y \partial z} \left(-\frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial y} \right),$$

$$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial y^2 \partial z^2} (\sigma_x - \nu (\sigma_y + \sigma_z))$$

$$= (1 + \nu) \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x \partial y \partial z} \left(-\frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial z} \right),$$

$$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial z^2 \partial x^2} (\sigma_y - \nu (\sigma_z + \sigma_x))$$

$$= (1 + \nu) \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x \partial y \partial z} \left(-\frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial x} \right).$$

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z} + F_x = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial z} + F_y = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_z}{\partial z} + F_z = 0.$$

- For 6 stress components

Stress Formulation

- The derivation of strains and displacements



Hooke's Law

Strain-displacement relations

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \frac{1 + \nu}{E} \sigma_{ij} - \frac{\nu}{E} \sigma_{kk} \delta_{ij}$$

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i})$$

Displacement Formulation

- Rewrite the Hooke's law in terms of displacements.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{ij} &= \frac{1}{2} (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}); \varepsilon_{kk} = u_{k,k} \\ \sigma_{ij} &= \lambda \varepsilon_{kk} \delta_{ij} + 2G \varepsilon_{ij} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \boxed{\sigma_{ij} = \lambda u_{k,k} \delta_{ij} + G (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i})}$$

- Reformulate the equilibrium equations

$$\sigma_{ij,j} + F_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda u_{k,kj} \delta_{ij} + G (u_{i,jj} + u_{j,ij}) + F_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{aligned} G u_{i,kk} + (\lambda + G) u_{k,ki} + F_i &= 0 \\ G \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + (\lambda + G) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{F} &= \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}}$$

- Navier's/Lamé's Equations

Displacement Formulation

- Scalar equations

$$G \nabla^2 u + (\lambda + G) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) + F_x = 0,$$

$$G \nabla^2 v + (\lambda + G) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) + F_y = 0,$$

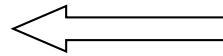
$$G \nabla^2 w + (\lambda + G) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) + F_z = 0.$$

- 3 equations for 3 displacements

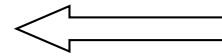
Displacement Formulation

- The derivation of strains and stresses

σ



ε



u

Hooke's Law

Strain-displacement relations

$$\sigma = \lambda \text{Tr}(\varepsilon) \mathbf{I} + 2G \varepsilon$$
$$\sigma_{ij} = \lambda \varepsilon_{kk} \delta_{ij} + 2G \varepsilon_{ij}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{E\nu}{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)},$$

$$G = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)}$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{u} \nabla)$$
$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(u_{i,j} + u_{j,i})$$

Summary of Formulations

General Field Equation System
(18 Equations, 15 Unknowns:)

$$f \{ u_i, \varepsilon_{ij}, \sigma_{ij}; \lambda, G, F_i \} = 0$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i});$$

$$\sigma_{ij} = \lambda \varepsilon_{kk} \delta_{ij} + 2G \varepsilon_{ij};$$

$$\sigma_{ij,j} + F_i = 0;$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij,kl} + \varepsilon_{kl,ij} - \varepsilon_{ik,jl} - \varepsilon_{jl,ik} = 0.$$

Stress Formulation
(6 Equations, 6 Unknowns)

$$f \{ \sigma_{ij}; \nu, F_i \} = 0$$

$$\sigma_{ij,j} + F_i = 0;$$

$$\sigma_{ij,kk} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \sigma_{kk,ij}$$

$$= - \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} F_{k,k} \delta_{ij} - (F_{i,j} + F_{j,i}).$$

Displacement Formulation
(3 Equations, 3 Unknowns)

$$f \{ u_i, \lambda, G, F_i \} = 0$$

$$G u_{i,kk} + (\lambda + G) u_{k,ki} + F_i = 0$$

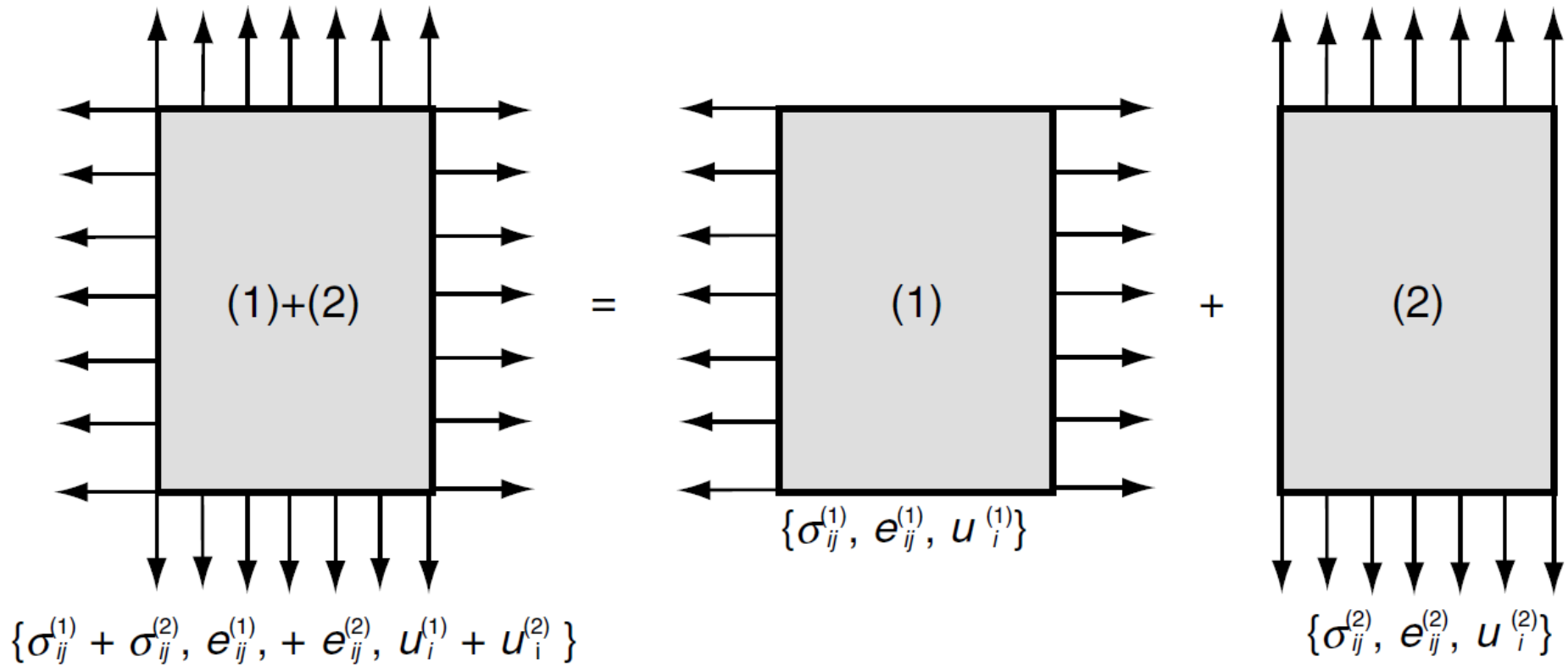
FEM codes!

Principle of Superposition

- Superposition applies to any problem that is governed by linear equations.
- Under the assumption of small deformations and linear elastic constitutive behavior, all elasticity field equations are linear.
- The usual displacement and traction boundary conditions are also linear.

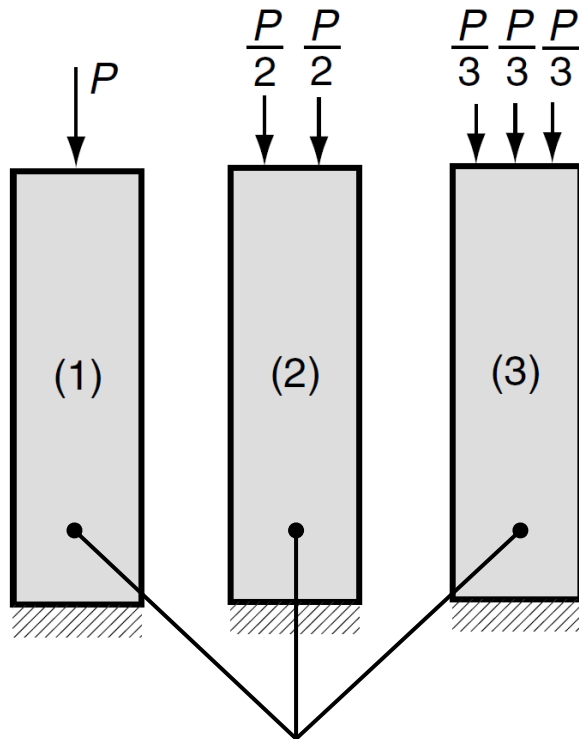
Principle of Superposition: *For a given problem domain, if the state $\{\sigma_{ij}^{(1)}, e_{ij}^{(1)}, u_i^{(1)}\}$ is a solution to the fundamental elasticity equations with prescribed body forces $F_i^{(1)}$ and surface tractions $T_i^{(1)}$, and the state $\{\sigma_{ij}^{(2)}, e_{ij}^{(2)}, u_i^{(2)}\}$ is a solution to the fundamental equations with prescribed body forces $F_i^{(2)}$ and surface tractions $T_i^{(2)}$, then the state $\{\sigma_{ij}^{(1)} + \sigma_{ij}^{(2)}, e_{ij}^{(1)} + e_{ij}^{(2)}, u_i^{(1)} + u_i^{(2)}\}$ will be a solution to the problem with body forces $F_i^{(1)} + F_i^{(2)}$ and surface tractions $T_i^{(1)} + T_i^{(2)}$.*

Principle of Superposition

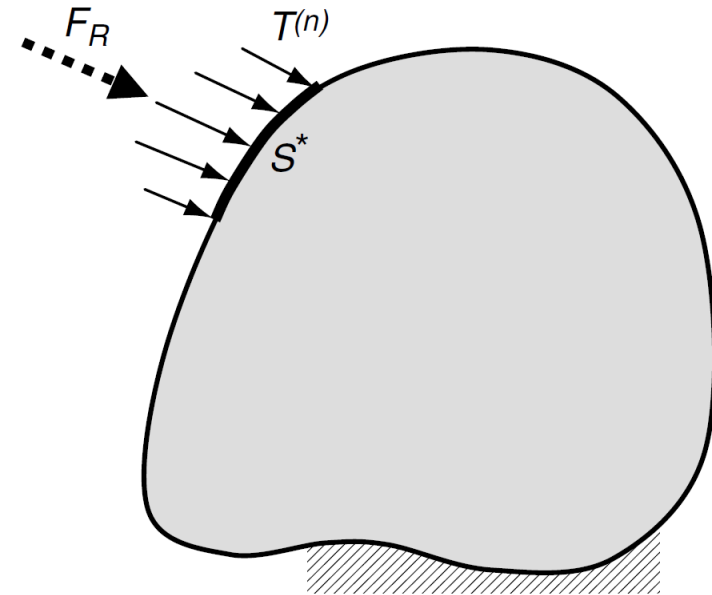


- Must have the same geometry and support type.
- Allow us to solve many more problems by using simpler basic cases whose solutions are already known.

Saint-Venant's Principle



Stresses approximately the same



Boundary loading $T^{(n)}$ would produce detailed and characteristic effects only in the vicinity of S^* . Away from S^* the stresses would generally depend more on the resultant F_R of the tractions rather than on the exact distribution

Saint-Venant's Principle

Saint-Venant's Principle: The stress, strain, and displacement fields caused by two different statically equivalent force distributions on parts of the body far away from the loading points are approximately the same.

- Allow us to solve a simpler statically equivalent problem with simpler boundary conditions to get a solution (approximate) for the original, more complicated problem.

Solution Strategies – Direct Method

- Seeking the solution of field equations by direct integration.
- Boundary conditions are satisfied exactly.
- Method normally encounters significant mathematical difficulties thus limiting its application to problems with simple geometry.

Solution Strategies – Inverse Method

- Displacements or stresses are selected that satisfy field equations.
- Finding/guessing a solution to the governing equations
- Trying to find a problem whose boundary conditions can be satisfied by the solution
- It is sometimes difficult to construct solutions to a specific problem of practical interest.

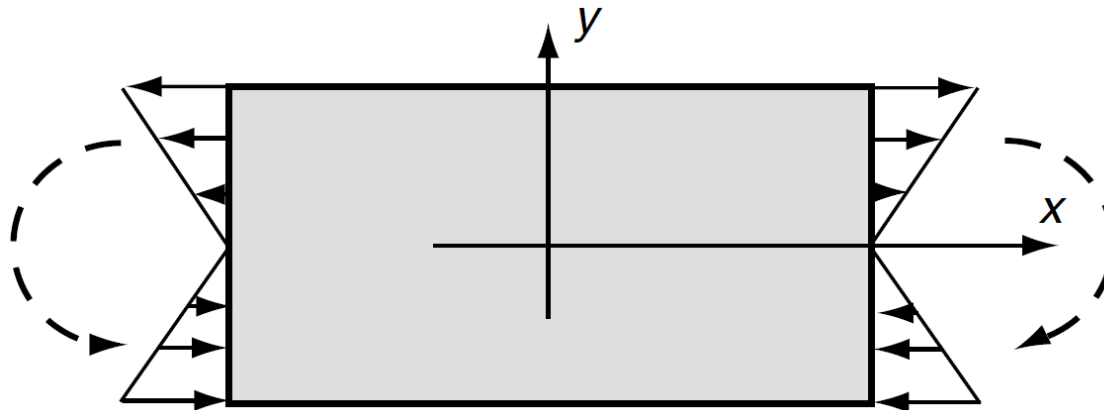
Sample Problem – Pure Bending of a Beam

- Consider the case of an elasticity problem under zero body forces with the following stress field:

$$\sigma_x = Ay, \quad \sigma_y = \sigma_z = \tau_{xy} = \tau_{xz} = \tau_{yz} = 0.$$

The stress field satisfies the equations of **equilibrium** and **compatibility**, and thus the field is a **solution** to an elasticity problem. What problem would be solved by such a field?

[Hint] Consider some trial domains and investigate the nature of the boundary conditions that would occur using the given stress field.



Pure bending!

Solution Strategies – Semi-Inverse Method

- Part of displacement and/or stress field is specified, while the other remaining portion is determined by the fundamental field equations and the boundary conditions.
- Making an educated guess for part of the solution; then using the governing equations and/or boundary conditions to determine the rest of the solution.
- The usefulness of this approach is greatly enhanced by employing Saint-Venant's principle, whereby a complicated boundary condition can be replaced by a simpler statically equivalent distribution.

Sample Problem – Free Torsion of a Noncircular Shaft

- Based on the torsion problem, We propose the following displacement field:

$$u = -\alpha z y, \quad v = \alpha z x, \quad w = w(x, y).$$

- By using the strain-displacement relations and Hooke's law, the stress field yields

$$\sigma_x = \sigma_y = \sigma_z = \tau_{xy} = 0; \quad \tau_{xz} = G \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} - \alpha y \right); \quad \tau_{yz} = G \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \alpha x \right).$$

- Substituting these results in equilibrium equations produces

$$\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} = 0. \quad (\text{Navier's equation})$$

[Note]

By assuming part of the solution field, the remaining equations to be solved are greatly simplified.

A specific domain in the x - y plane along with appropriate boundary conditions is needed to complete the solution to a particular problem.

Mathematical Techniques

- Analytical Solution Procedures
 - *Power Series Method*
 - *Fourier Method*
 - *Integral Transform Method*
 - *Complex Variable Method*
- Approximate Solution Procedures
 - *Ritz Method*
 - *Galerkin Method*
- Numerical Solution Procedures
 - *Finite Difference Method (FDM)*
 - *Finite Element Method (FEM)*
 - *Boundary Element Method (BEM)*

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