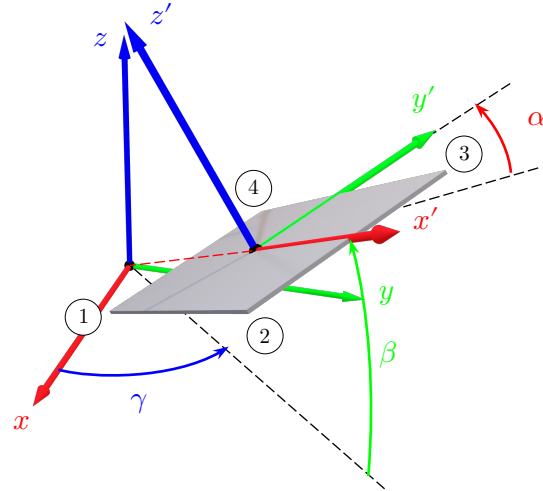


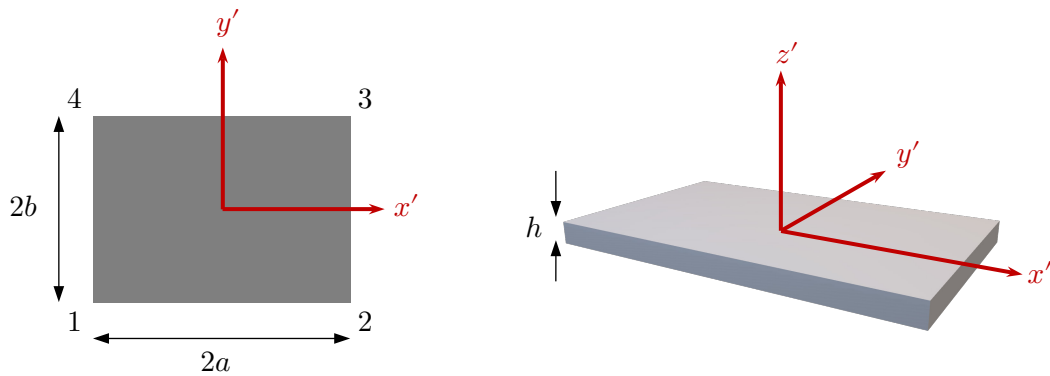
# Element computations for 3D rectangular plates

(a) Local system  $\{x', y', z'\}$ :



$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta \cos \gamma & \cos \beta \sin \gamma & \sin \beta \\ -\sin \alpha \sin \beta \cos \gamma - \cos \alpha \sin \gamma & -\sin \alpha \sin \beta \sin \gamma + \cos \alpha \cos \gamma & \sin \alpha \cos \beta \\ -\cos \alpha \sin \beta \cos \gamma + \sin \alpha \sin \gamma & -\cos \alpha \sin \beta \sin \gamma - \sin \alpha \cos \gamma & \cos \alpha \cos \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Geometric parameters:



For each element:

$$a = (x'_2 - x'_1)/2 = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}/2$$

$$b = (y'_4 - y'_1)/2 = \sqrt{(x_4 - x_1)^2 + (y_4 - y_1)^2 + (z_4 - z_1)^2}/2$$

(c) Element stiffness matrix in global coordinates:

1. Obtain the elemental stiffness matrix in local coordinates:

- Plane stress (local degrees of freedom 1 and 2, i.e. displacement in  $x'$  and  $y'$ -directions)

$$\mathbf{K}'_e([1,2,7,8,13,14,19,20], [1,2,7,8,13,14,19,20]) =$$

$$= \frac{Ebh}{12a(1-\nu^2)} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 2(1-\nu) & & & & & & \text{SYM.} \\ -4 & 0 & 4 & & & & & \\ 0 & -2(1-\nu) & 0 & 2(1-\nu) & & & & \\ -2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 & & & \\ 0 & -(1-\nu) & 0 & 1-\nu & 0 & 2(1-\nu) & & \\ 2 & 0 & -2 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 4 & \\ 0 & 1-\nu & 0 & -(1-\nu) & 0 & -2(1-\nu) & 0 & 2(1-\nu) \end{bmatrix} +$$

$$+ \frac{Eah}{12b(1-\nu^2)} \begin{bmatrix} 2(1-\nu) & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 4 & & & & & & \text{SYM.} \\ 1-\nu & 0 & 2(1-\nu) & & & & & \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 & & & & \\ -(1-\nu) & 0 & -2(1-\nu) & 0 & 2(1-\nu) & & & \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 4 & & \\ -2(1-\nu) & 0 & -(1-\nu) & 0 & 1-\nu & 0 & 2(1-\nu) & \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} +$$

$$+ \frac{Eh}{8(1-\nu^2)} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & & & & & & & \\ 1+\nu & 0 & & & & & & & & \text{SYM.} \\ 0 & 1-3\nu & 0 & & & & & & & \\ -(1-3\nu) & 0 & -(1+\nu) & 0 & & & & & & \\ 0 & -(1+\nu) & 0 & 1-3\nu & 0 & & & & & \\ -(1+\nu) & 0 & -(1-3\nu) & 0 & 1+\nu & 0 & & & & \\ 0 & -(1-3\nu) & 0 & 1+\nu & 0 & 1-3\nu & 0 & & & \\ 1-3\nu & 0 & 1+\nu & 0 & -(1-3\nu) & 0 & -(1+\nu) & 0 & & \end{bmatrix}$$

- Plate bending (local degrees of freedom 3, 4 and 5, corresponding to the displacement in  $z'$ -direction and the rotation around the  $x'$  and  $y'$ -axis)

$$\mathbf{K}'_e([3,4,5,9,10,11,15,16,17,21,22,23], [3,4,5,9,10,11,15,16,17,21,22,23]) =$$

$$= \frac{Eah^3}{72b^3(1-\nu^2)} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & & & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & & & & & & & & & \\ 6b & 0 & 8b^2 & & & & & & & & \text{SYM.} \\ 3 & 0 & 3b & 6 & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & & & & & & \\ 3b & 0 & 4b^2 & 6b & 0 & 8b^2 & & & & & \\ -3 & 0 & -3b & -6 & 0 & -6b & 6 & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & & & \\ 3b & 0 & 2b^2 & 6b & 0 & 4b^2 & -6b & 0 & 8b^2 & & \\ -6 & 0 & -6b & -3 & 0 & -3b & 3 & 0 & -3b & 6 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 6b & 0 & 4b^2 & 3b & 0 & 2b^2 & -3b & 0 & 4b^2 & -6b & 0 & 8b^2 \end{bmatrix} +$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{Ebh^3}{72a^3(1-\nu^2)} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & & & & & & & & & & & \\ 6a & 8a^2 & & & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & & & & & & & & & \\ -6 & -6a & 0 & 6 & & & & & & & & \\ 6a & 4a^2 & 0 & -6a & 8a^2 & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & & & & & & \\ -3 & -3a & 0 & 3 & -3a & 0 & 6 & & & & & \\ 3a & 2a^2 & 0 & -3a & 4a^2 & 0 & -6a & 8a^2 & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & & & \\ 3 & 3a & 0 & -3 & 3a & 0 & -6 & 6a & 0 & 6 & & \\ 3a & 4a^2 & 0 & -3a & 2a^2 & 0 & -6a & 4a^2 & 0 & 6a & 8a^2 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & + \frac{E\nu h^3}{24ab(1-\nu^2)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & & & & & & & \\ a & 2ab & & & & & & & & & & \\ b & 0 & 0 & & & & & & & & & \\ -1 & 0 & -b & 1 & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -a & 0 & & & & & & & \\ -b & 0 & 0 & b & -2ab & 0 & & & & & & \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & a & 0 & 1 & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a & 0 & 0 & -a & 0 & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -b & 2ab & 0 & & & \\ -1 & -a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & b & 1 & & \\ -a & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a & 0 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b & 0 & 0 & -b & -2ab & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & + \frac{Eh^3}{360ab(1+\nu)} \begin{bmatrix} 21 & & & & & & & & & & & \\ 3a & 8a^2 & & & & & & & & & & \\ 3b & 0 & 8b^2 & & & & & & & & & \\ -21 & -3a & -3b & 21 & & & & & & & & \\ 3a & -2a^2 & 0 & -3a & 8a^2 & & & & & & & \\ -3b & 0 & -8b^2 & 3b & 0 & 8b^2 & & & & & & \\ 21 & 3a & 3b & -21 & 3a & -3b & 21 & & & & & \\ -3a & 2a^2 & 0 & 3a & -8a^2 & 0 & -3a & 8a^2 & & & & \\ -3b & 0 & 2b^2 & 3b & 0 & -2b^2 & -3b & 0 & 8b^2 & & & \\ -21 & -3a & -3b & 21 & -3a & 3b & -21 & 3a & 3b & 21 & & \\ -3a & -8a^2 & 0 & 3a & 2a^2 & 0 & -3a & -2a^2 & 0 & 3a & 8a^2 & \\ 3b & 0 & -2b^2 & -3b & 0 & 2b^2 & 3b & 0 & -8b^2 & -3b & 0 & 8b^2 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Torsion moment in  $z'$ -direction (local degree of freedom 6, i.e. rotation around  $z'$ -axis)

$$\mathbf{K}'_e([6, 12, 18, 24], [6, 12, 18, 24]) = 4abE \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \text{SYM.} \\ 0 & 1 & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

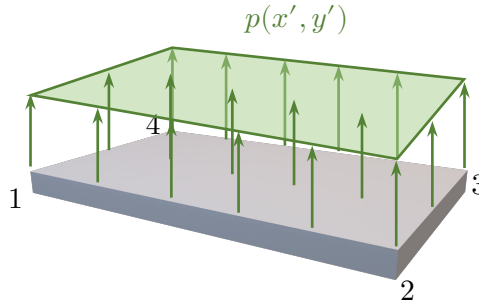
2. Extend the rotation matrix to  $4 \times 6$  degrees of freedom:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{R}_e(1:3, 1:3, e) &= \mathbf{R}; & \mathbf{R}_e(4:6, 4:6, e) &= \mathbf{R}; \\ \mathbf{R}_e(7:9, 7:9, e) &= \mathbf{R}; & \mathbf{R}_e(10:12, 10:12, e) &= \mathbf{R}; \\ \mathbf{R}_e(13:15, 13:15, e) &= \mathbf{R}; & \mathbf{R}_e(16:18, 16:18, e) &= \mathbf{R}; \\ \mathbf{R}_e(19:21, 19:21, e) &= \mathbf{R}; & \mathbf{R}_e(22:24, 22:24, e) &= \mathbf{R};\end{aligned}$$

3. Extend the rotation matrix to  $2 \times 6$  degrees of freedom:

$$\mathbf{K}_e(:, :, e) = (\mathbf{R}_e(:, :, e))^T \mathbf{K}'_e \mathbf{R}_e(:, :, e)$$

- (d) Equivalent element force vector for uniform distributed loads (per unit area):



1. Assuming the value of the distributed load,  $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x})$ , is known at each node and in the global coordinates system, i.e.  $\mathbf{p}_i = \mathbf{p}(x_i, y_i, z_i)$ , compute the mean value for the corresponding element:

$$\bar{\mathbf{p}}_e = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{p}_{e,x} \\ \bar{p}_{e,y} \\ \bar{p}_{e,z} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{bmatrix} p_{1,x} \\ p_{1,y} \\ p_{1,z} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} p_{2,x} \\ p_{2,y} \\ p_{2,z} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} p_{3,x} \\ p_{3,y} \\ p_{3,z} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} p_{4,x} \\ p_{4,y} \\ p_{4,z} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

where  $\mathbf{p}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_3$  and  $\mathbf{p}_4$  are the values of  $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x})$  evaluated at the nodes 1 and 2 of the corresponding element.

2. Obtain the components in the local coordinates system:

$$\bar{\mathbf{p}}'_e = \mathbf{R} \bar{\mathbf{p}}_e$$

3. Compute the equivalent element force vector in local coordinates:

- In-plane distributed load in  $x'$  and  $y'$ -direction:

$$\mathbf{f}'_e([1,2,7,8,13,14,19,20]) = \bar{p}_{e,x} ab \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \bar{p}_{e,y} ab \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Distributed pressure in  $z'$ -direction

$$\mathbf{f}'_e([3,4,5,9,10,11,15,16,17,21,22,23]) = ab\bar{p}'_{e,z} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ b/3 \\ a/3 \\ 1 \\ -b/3 \\ a/3 \\ 1 \\ -b/3 \\ -a/3 \\ 1 \\ b/3 \\ -a/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Compute the equivalent elemental force vector in global coordinates:

$$\mathbf{f}_e(:, e) = (\mathbf{R}_e(:, :, e))^T \mathbf{f}'_e$$

(e) Postprocessing parameters for each element:

1. Assuming the displacements and rotations of the structure are known (solution vector  $\mathbf{u}$ ), get the corresponding terms for the element,  $\mathbf{u}_e$ .
2. Obtain the internal displacement and rotations vector in local coordinates:

$$\mathbf{u}'_{int,e}(:, e) = \mathbf{R}_e(:, :, e) \mathbf{u}_e$$

3. Obtain the plane stress tensor components:

$$\sigma'_x(:, e) = \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2b & -2a\nu & 2b & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2a\nu \\ -2b & 0 & 2b & -2a\nu & 0 & 2a\nu & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2a\nu & 2b & 2a\nu & -2b & 0 \\ 0 & -2a\nu & 0 & 0 & 2b & 0 & -2b & 2a\nu \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}'_{int,e}([1,2,7,8,13,14,19,20], e)$$

$$\sigma'_y(:, e) = \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2b\nu & -2a & 2b\nu & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2a \\ -2b\nu & 0 & 2b\nu & -2a & 0 & 2a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2a & 2b\nu & 2a & -2b\nu & 0 \\ 0 & -2a & 0 & 0 & 2b\nu & 0 & -2b\nu & 2a \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}'_{int,e}([1,2,7,8,13,14,19,20], e)$$

$$\tau'_{xy}(:, e) = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)} \begin{bmatrix} -2a & -2b & 0 & 2b & 0 & 0 & 2a & 0 \\ 0 & -2b & -2a & 2b & 2a & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2a & 0 & 2a & 2b & 0 & -2b \\ -2a & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2b & 2a & -2b \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}'_{int,e}([1,2,7,8,13,14,19,20], e)$$

4. Obtain the Von Mises stress tensor for each element node:

$$\sigma_{VM}(i, e) = \sqrt{(\sigma'_x(i, e))^2 + (\sigma'_y(i, e))^2 - (\sigma'_x(i, e))(\sigma'_y(i, e)) + 3(\tau'_{xy}(i, e))^2}$$

5. Obtain the hydrostatic pressure for each element node:

$$p_h(i, e) = \frac{1}{3}(\sigma'_x(i, e) + \sigma'_y(i, e))$$