

# Chapter 5 - Formulation and Solution of Elasticity Problems

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# Formulation

In the volume

- Equilibrium:

$$\sigma_{ij,j} + f_i = 0 \quad (1)$$

- Constitutive relations:

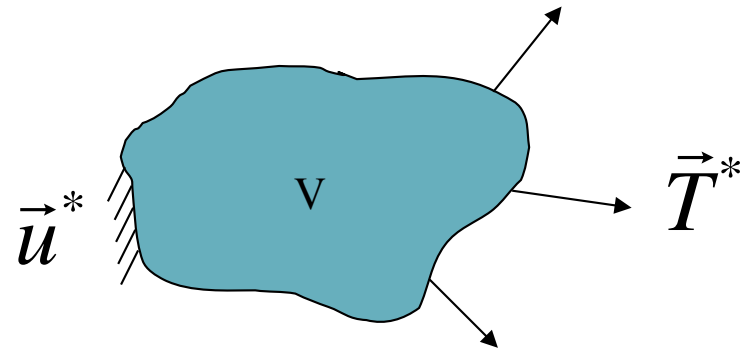
$$\sigma_{ij} = \lambda \delta_{ij} \varepsilon_{kk} + 2\mu \varepsilon_{ij} \quad \text{or} \quad \sigma_{ij} = C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{kl} \quad (2)$$

- Strain-displacement:

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}) \quad (3)$$

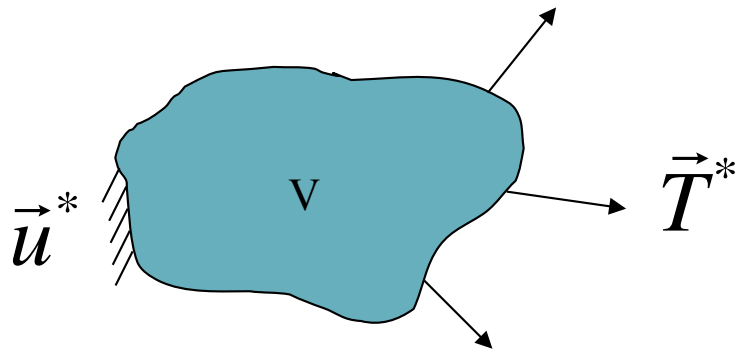


system of 15 equations for 15 unknowns



- Note: assuming  $\varepsilon$   
 $\rightarrow$  compatibility:  
 $\varepsilon_{ij,kl} + \varepsilon_{kl,ij} = \varepsilon_{ik,jl} + \varepsilon_{jl,ik}$

# Formulation (cont.)



On the surface

- On traction boundary:

$$T_i^* = \sigma_{ij} n_j$$

- On displacement boundary:

$$u_i = u_i^*$$

Field (volume) equations + boundary conditions = **Boundary Value Problem (BVP)**

- Two ways of formulation:
  - **Displacement based formulation**
  - **Stress based formulation**

# Displacement Formulation

- Guess (?) displacement field (continuous and differentiable):

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 u_i & \rightarrow & \varepsilon_{ij} & \rightarrow & \sigma_{ij} & \rightarrow & \text{check equilibrium} \rightarrow \text{b.c.s} \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\
 \textcircled{3} & & \textcircled{2} & & \textcircled{1} & & 
 \end{array}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l}
 \textcircled{2} \quad \sigma_{ij} = \lambda \delta_{ij} \varepsilon_{kk} + 2\mu \varepsilon_{ij} \\
 \textcircled{3} \quad \varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i})
 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l}
 \sigma_{ij} = \lambda \delta_{ij} u_{k,k} + \mu (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}) \\
 \textcircled{1} \quad \sigma_{ij,j} + f_i = 0
 \end{array} \right\}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda + \mu) u_{j,ij} + \mu u_{i,jj} + f_i = 0$$

**Lamé's equations**

# of eqns ?

# of unks ?

# Stress Formulation

- Guess (?) stress (or strain) field:

check equilibrium  $\rightarrow \sigma_{ij} \rightarrow \varepsilon_{ij} \rightarrow u_i \rightarrow \text{b.c.s}$

$\uparrow$                        $\uparrow$                        $\uparrow$   
 ①                      ②                      comp.+③

- Here we need compatibility:

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{2} \quad \sigma_{ij} &= \lambda \delta_{ij} \varepsilon_{kk} + 2\mu \varepsilon_{ij} \\
 \varepsilon_{ij,kl} + \varepsilon_{kl,ij} &= \varepsilon_{ik,jl} + \varepsilon_{jl,ik} \\
 \textcircled{1} \quad \sigma_{ij,j} + f_i &= 0
 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{ij,kk} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \sigma_{kk,ij} = \frac{-\nu}{1+\nu} \delta_{ij} f_{k,k} - (f_{i,j} + f_{j,i})$$

**Beltrami-Mitchell eqns**  
# of eqns ?      # of unks ?

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{ij,kk} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} \sigma_{kk,ij} = 0 \quad \text{if } f_i = \text{const.}$$

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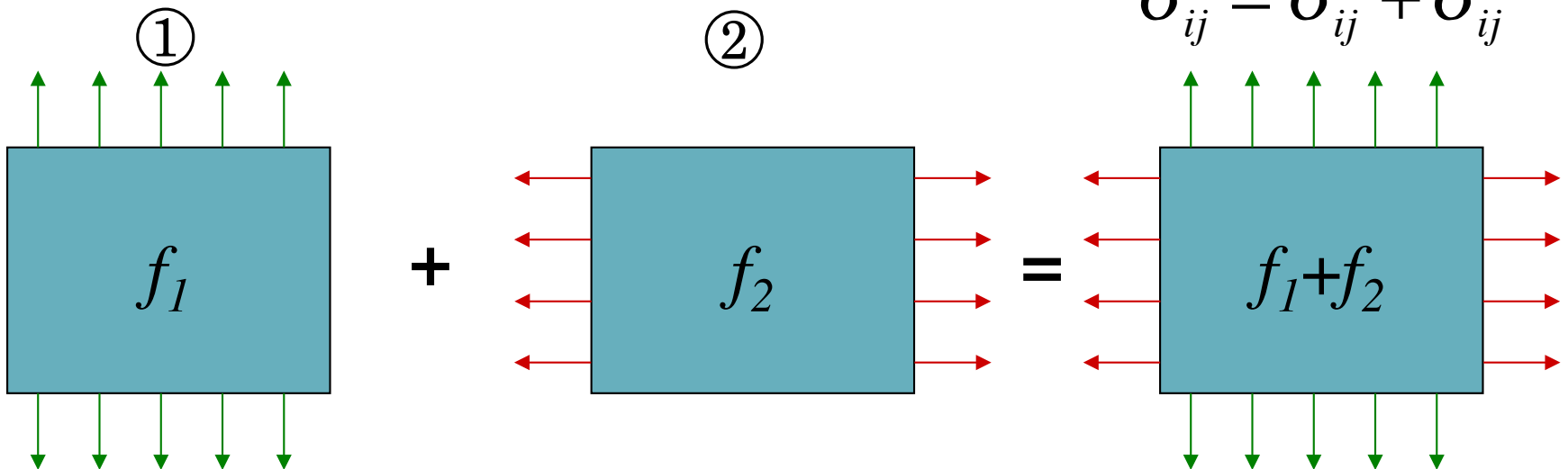
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# Superposition and Uniqueness

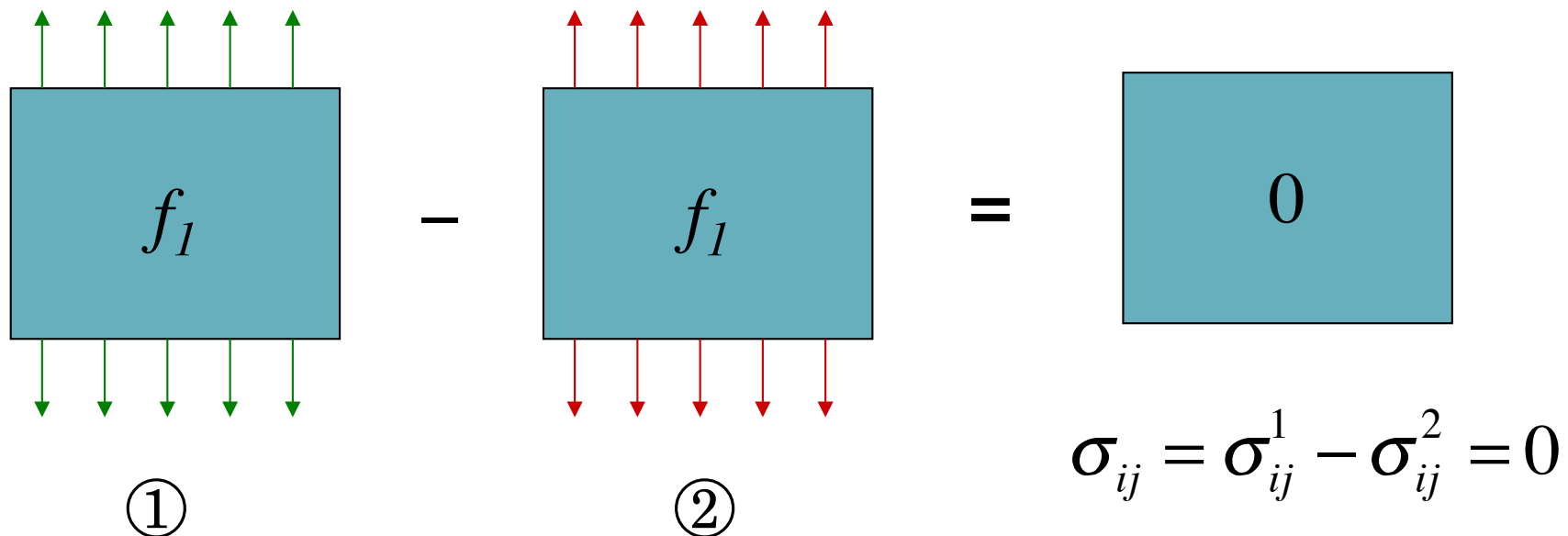
- Linear equations  **Superposition**



$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{e.g., } & \frac{\partial \sigma_{11}}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{12}}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{13}}{\partial x_3} + f_1 = \\
 & = \left[ \frac{\partial \sigma_{11}^1}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{12}^1}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{13}^1}{\partial x_3} + f_1^1 \right] + \left[ \frac{\partial \sigma_{11}^2}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{12}^2}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{13}^2}{\partial x_3} + f_1^2 \right] = \\
 & = 0 + 0
 \end{aligned}$$

# Superposition and Uniqueness (cont.)

- Super position does NOT hold if any one equation becomes **NONLINEAR!**
  - plastic constitutive law
  - Lagrangian/ Eulerian strains
- A solution to a linear elastic BVP is **UNIQUE!**





# Solution Strategies

- Direct method:
  - integrate PDEs
  - v. difficult
  - usually done numerically
- Inverse method:
  - guess  $\sigma$  or  $u$  satisfying some PDEs and/or b.c.s
  - e.g. strength of materials
  - most common
- Semi-Inverse method:
  - start with part of solution
  - integrate for remainder

Note: Uniqueness → whatever way we use we have THE! solution