

# Continuum Mechanics (B)

## Session 02: Strain analysis

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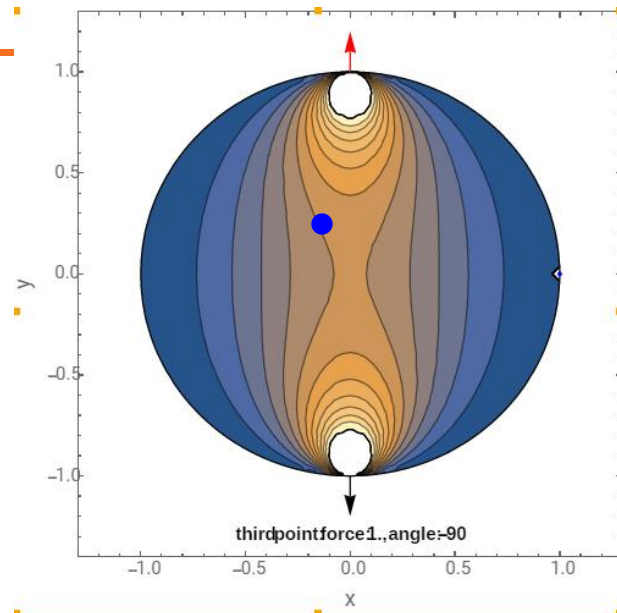
## Strain-Displacement Relations (几何方程)

When a body is subjected to external loads (加载)

- induced internal forces
- **induced internal deformation**
  - changes in relative positions of continuum particles during deformation

### Assumptions:

- **Continuum (continuous materials):**
  - material is present at each point in the medium
- **Continuous displacement**
  - Originally continuous material cannot contain gaps after it is displaced
- **Single-valued displacement function**
  - A single material particle cannot occupy two positions in space after deformation
- **Infinitesimal deformation**
  - Solid



strain ( $\epsilon_{\max}$ ) distribution in a circular plate with concentrated loadings

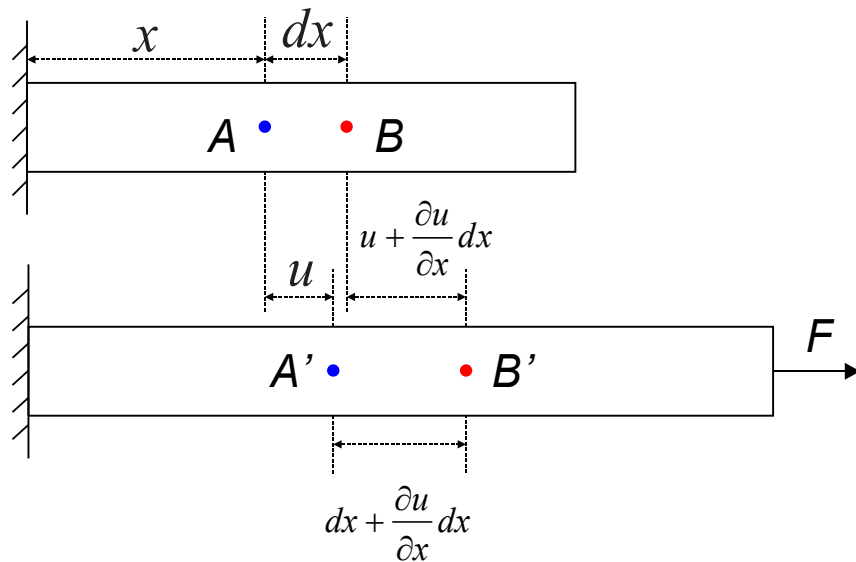
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## Strain-Displacement Relations (几何方程)

### Deformation inside a 1D bar (杆)

- **uniaxial stress (单轴应力)**
  - a 1D state of stress in which normal stress acts along one direction only
- **Examine deformation at Point A**
  - deformation is associated with relative displacements
  - find Point B that is very close to A
  - Points A, B moves to A', B' after deformation
  - deformation at point A is defined as (normal) **strain**  $\varepsilon$ : the length change in unit distance

$$\varepsilon = \frac{A'B' - AB}{AB} = \frac{(dx + u + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx - u) - dx}{dx} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$



Deformation of a bar subjected to uniaxial stress

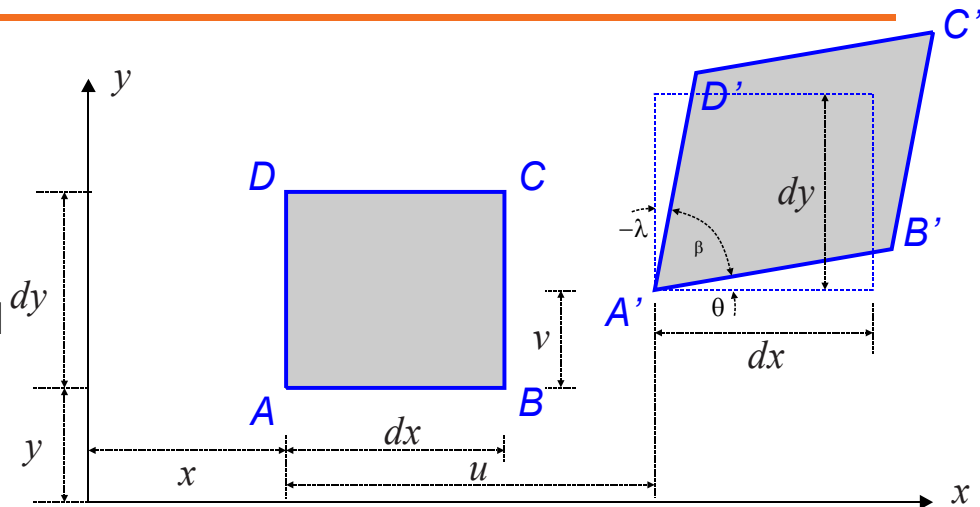
- Normal strain is positive for extension and negative for compression

## Strain-Displacement Relations (几何方程)

### Deformation of point A in 2D (plane strain)

$$u = u(x, y) \quad v = v(x, y) \quad w = 0$$

- Examine deformation at point A
- Deformation at point A can be fully depicted by
  - the sides's length change
  - the angle change between two sides
- Normal strain  $\epsilon$**  in a given direction
  - Length change in the unit distance of a line originally oriented in the given direction
- Shear strain  $\gamma$**  (measured in radian)
  - the change in the original right angle between two axes



Translation and deformation of a 2D infinitesimal element

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{A'B' - AB}{AB} = \frac{A'B' - dx}{dx}$$

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{A'D' - AD}{AD} = \frac{A'D' - dy}{dy}$$

$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \beta = \theta - \lambda$$

counterclockwise  
angles of rotation are  
defined as positive

# Strain-Displacement Relations (几何方程)

## Normal strain

$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{A'B' - AB}{AB} = \frac{A'B' - dx}{dx}$$

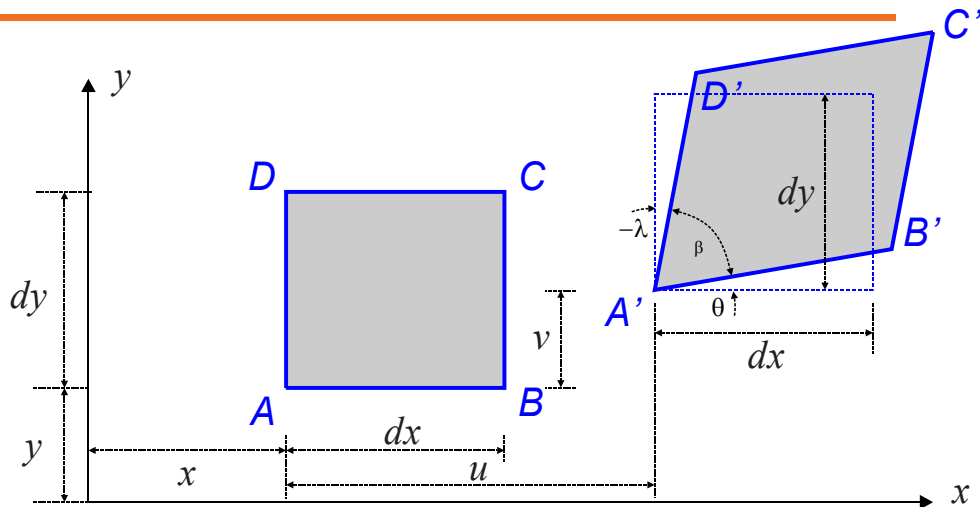
$$\varepsilon_y = \frac{A'D' - AD}{AD} = \frac{A'D' - dy}{dy}$$

$$A'B' = \sqrt{\left(dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} dx\right)^2} \approx \left(dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx\right)$$

For small strains (displacement gradient  $\ll 1$ ), the second term in the square root is negligible

$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{A'B' - AB}{AB} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

Similarly  $\varepsilon_y = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$



Translation and deformation of a 2D infinitesimal element

# Strain-Displacement Relations (几何方程)

## Shear strain

$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \beta = \theta - \lambda$$

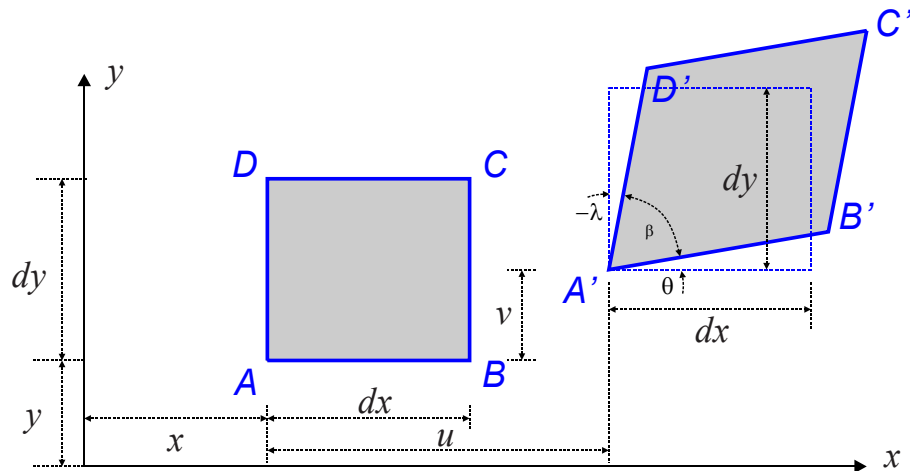
Assume small strain (displacement gradient  $\ll 1$ )

$$\theta = \tan \theta = \frac{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} dx}{dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx} = \frac{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}}{1 + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

$$-\lambda = -\tan \lambda = \frac{\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy}{dy + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} dy} = \frac{\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}}{1 + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

Thus the shear strain

$$\gamma_{xy} = \theta - \lambda = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$



Translation and deformation of a 2D element

- Shear strain is positive if
  - the right angle between two positive / negative directions of the two axes decreases, or
  - if the angle between a positive axis and a negative axis increases
- negative for other cases

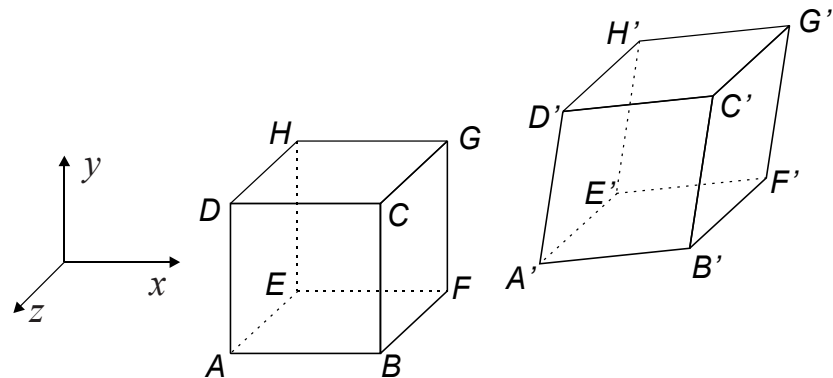
# Strain-Displacement Relations (几何方程)

## 3D strain-displacement relations (应变位移关系, 几何方程)

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \quad \gamma_{xy} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \gamma_{yz} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}$$

$$\epsilon_z = \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \quad \gamma_{zx} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}$$



strain in a 3D rectangular prism

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{A'B' - AB}{AB} = \frac{D'C' - DC}{DC} = \frac{E'F' - EF}{EF} = \frac{H'G' - HG}{HG}$$

$$\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \angle B'A'D' = \frac{\pi}{2} - \angle F'E'H' = \frac{\pi}{2} - \angle B'C'D' = \frac{\pi}{2} - \angle F'G'H'$$

Engineering shear strain  $\gamma_{xy}$  vs tensor (mathematical) shear strain  $\epsilon_{xy}$ :

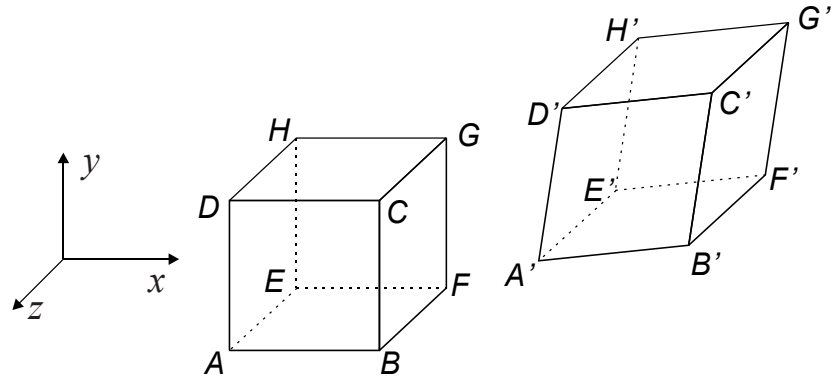
$$\epsilon_{xy} = 0.5\gamma_{xy}$$



## Classroom exercises

1. Can we fully determine deformation inside the body with displacement?
2. The advantage of strain  $\epsilon$  in describing the deformation at a point
3. Does the shear strain  $\gamma_{xy} = \gamma_{yx}$  ?
4. What are the units of normal strain and shear strain, respectively?
5. Verify the following formulations for normal strain  $\epsilon_y$  and shear strain  $\gamma_{xy}$  in 3D geometry

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \gamma_{xy} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$



strain in a 3D rectangular prism

## Strain-Displacement Relations (几何方程)

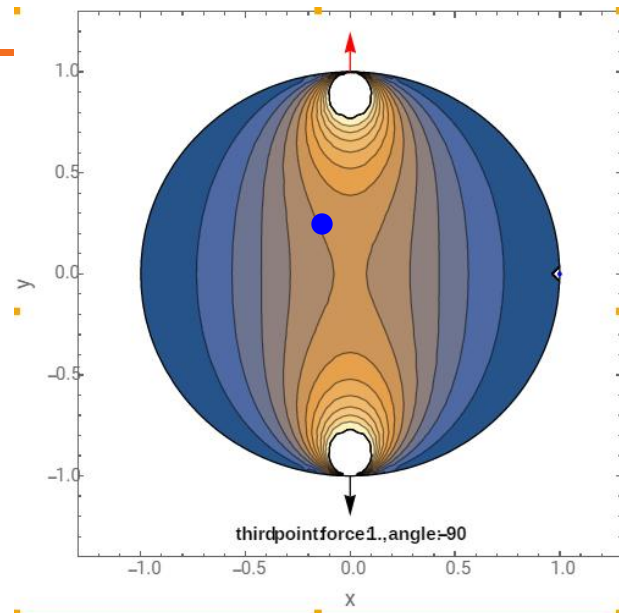
The stress state at a point represented by 9 components

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{yx} & \sigma_y & \tau_{yz} \\ \tau_{zx} & \tau_{zy} & \sigma_z \end{bmatrix}$$

The strain state at a point represented by 9 components

$$\begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_x & \epsilon_{xy} & \epsilon_{xz} \\ \epsilon_{yx} & \epsilon_y & \epsilon_{yz} \\ \epsilon_{zx} & \epsilon_{zy} & \epsilon_z \end{bmatrix}$$

- The strain and stress components depend on the coordinate system.
- The stress and strain states do not depend on the coordinate.



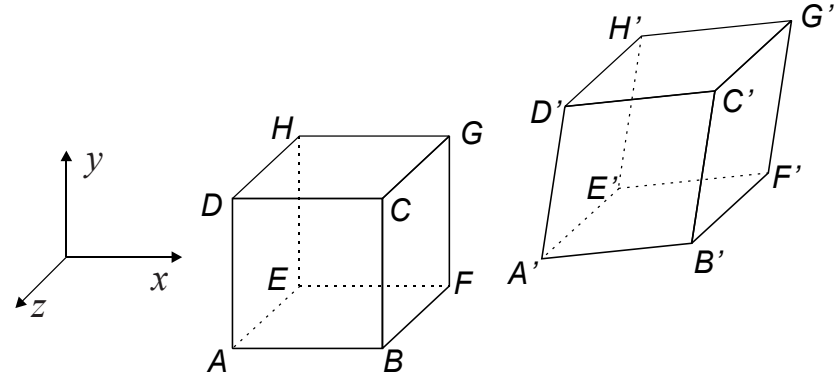
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## Cautious

Note that stress is defined over the **deformed body** while strain is defined over the **undeformed body**.

- This inconsistency is neglected under infinitesimal deformation.



strain in a 3D rectangular prism