

Computational Mechanics

Chapter 9 Finite Element Formulation for Vector Field Problems – 2D Linear Elasticity



Introduction to Linear Elasticity

- Assumptions in linear elasticity:

1. Small deformation – less than 10^{-2} of the body dimensions;
2. Linear behavior of the material – Hooke's law;
3. Neglection of dynamic effects – equilibrium state;
4. Compatibility – no gaps or overlaps within the solid.

Examples of large deformation:

- Car crash
- Skin deformation under massage
- Metal forming process

- Widely applied for industrial stress analysis under **normal working conditions**.

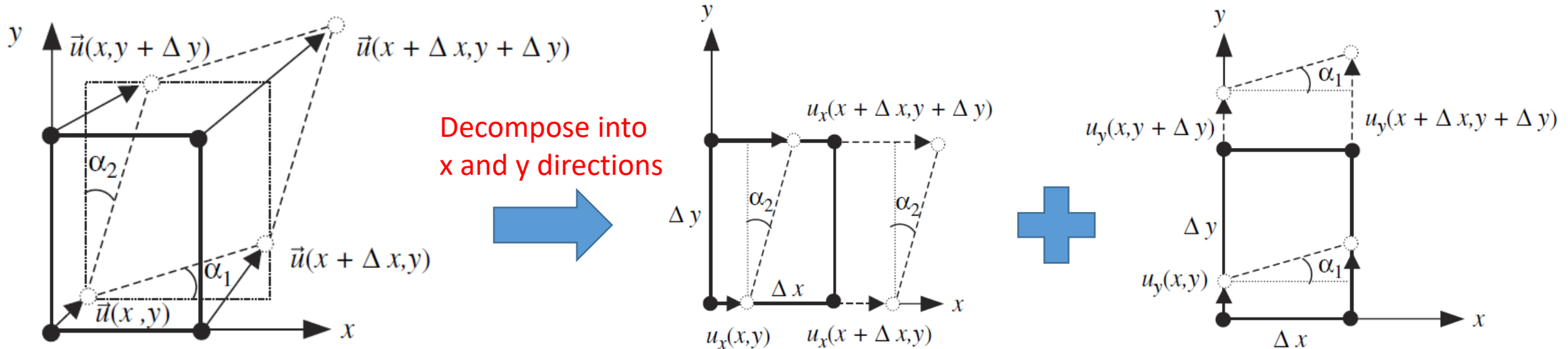


Kinematics

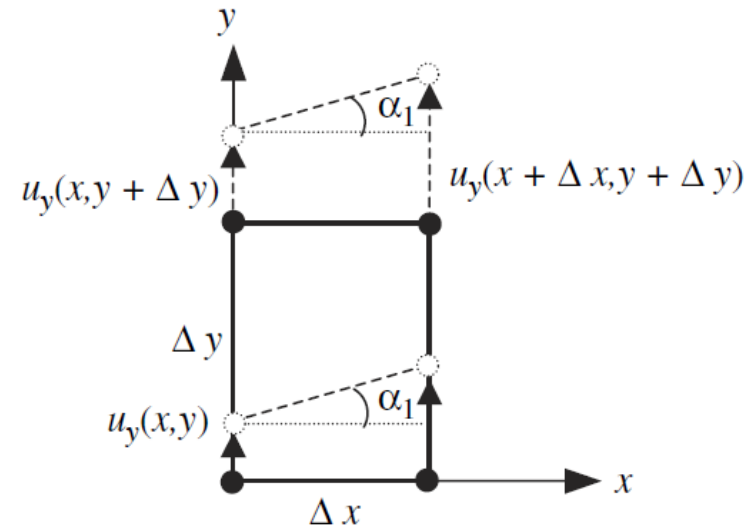
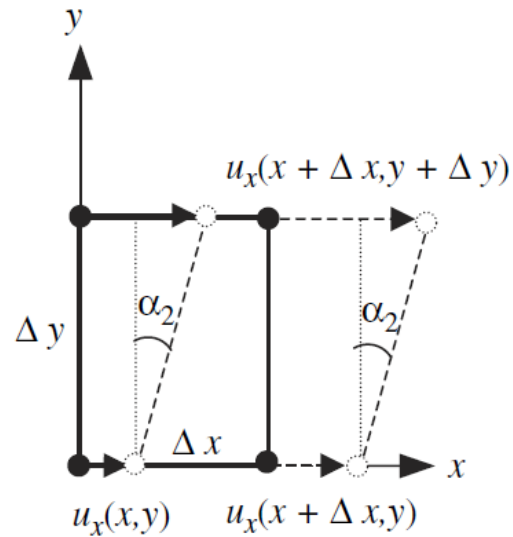
- Expression of 2D displacement vectors:

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x \\ u_y \end{bmatrix}, \vec{u} = u_x \vec{i} + u_y \vec{j}$$

- 2D deformation of a control volume:



Strain – Displacement Equations



- **Small deformation** assumption – expression of strains:

$$\varepsilon_{xx} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u_x(x + \Delta x, y) - u_x(x, y)}{\Delta x} = \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x}, \quad \varepsilon_{yy} = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{u_y(x, y + \Delta y) - u_y(x, y)}{\Delta y} = \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y}$$

$$\underline{\gamma_{xy}} = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{u_x(x, y + \Delta y) - u_x(x, y)}{\Delta y} + \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u_y(x + \Delta x, y) - u_y(x, y)}{\Delta x} = \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} = \underline{2\varepsilon_{xy}}$$

Engineering
shear strain

Tensor/true
shear strain

Notation for Strain-Displacement Equations

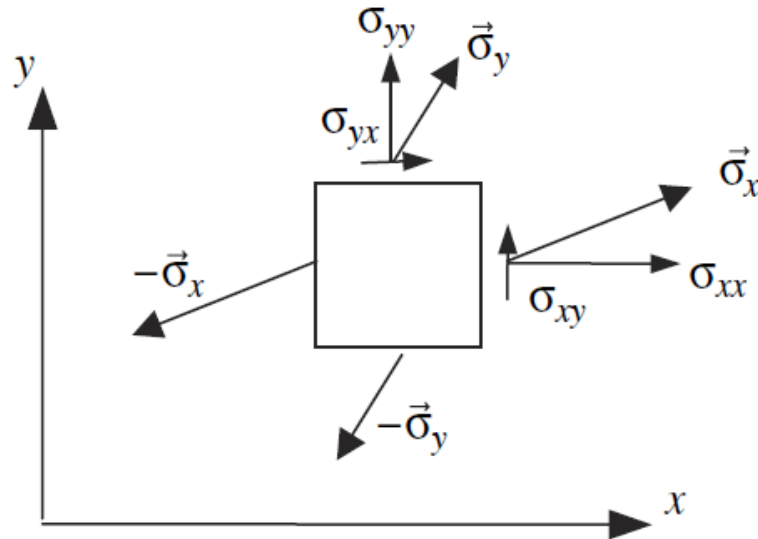
$$\varepsilon_{xx} = \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x}, \quad \varepsilon_{yy} = \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y}, \quad \gamma_{xy} = \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} \\ \varepsilon_{yy} \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_x \\ u_y \end{bmatrix} = \boldsymbol{\nabla}_s \mathbf{u}$$



Stress and Traction

- Traction – force/area that acts on the plane:
 - Traction – measurement of forces.
 - Stress – measurement of states to represent **arbitrary surfaces**.
- Connection between 2D traction and stress:



$$\vec{\sigma}_x = \sigma_{xx}\vec{l} + \sigma_{xy}\vec{j}, \quad \vec{\sigma}_y = \sigma_{yx}\vec{l} + \sigma_{yy}\vec{j}$$

Plane normal
Force direction

Stress vector

- 2D Moment equilibrium:

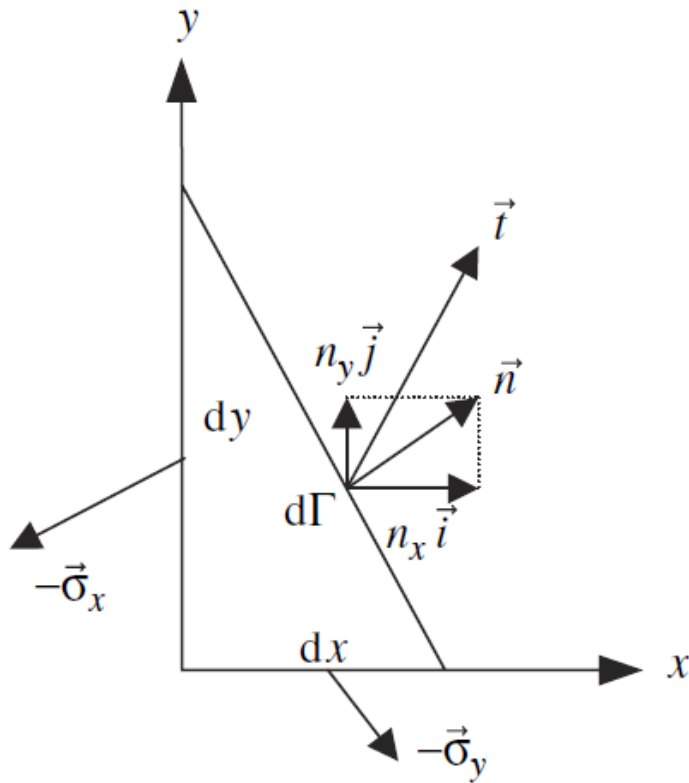
$$\sigma_{yx}l^2 = \sigma_{xy}l^2 \Rightarrow \sigma_{xy} = \sigma_{yx}$$
- 1D matrix format expression of stress:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^T = [\sigma_{xx} \quad \sigma_{yy} \quad \sigma_{xy}]$$
- 2D tensor format expression of stress:

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{yy} \end{bmatrix}$$



Traction on a specific surface



$$\vec{\sigma}_x = \sigma_{xx}\vec{i} + \sigma_{xy}\vec{j}, \quad \vec{\sigma}_y = \sigma_{yx}\vec{i} + \sigma_{yy}\vec{j}, \quad \sigma_{xy} = \sigma_{yx}$$

- 2D Force equilibrium condition:

$$\vec{t}d\Gamma - \vec{\sigma}_x dy - \vec{\sigma}_y dx = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{0} = \vec{t} - \vec{\sigma}_x \frac{dy}{d\Gamma} - \vec{\sigma}_y \frac{dx}{d\Gamma} = \vec{t} - \vec{\sigma}_x n_x - \vec{\sigma}_y n_y$$

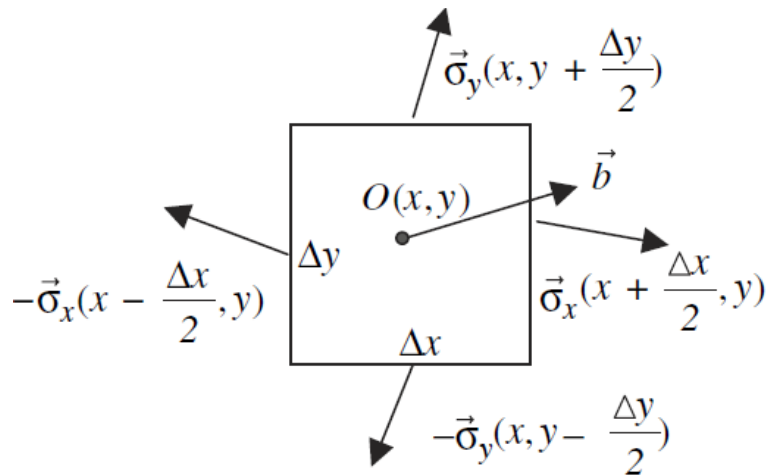
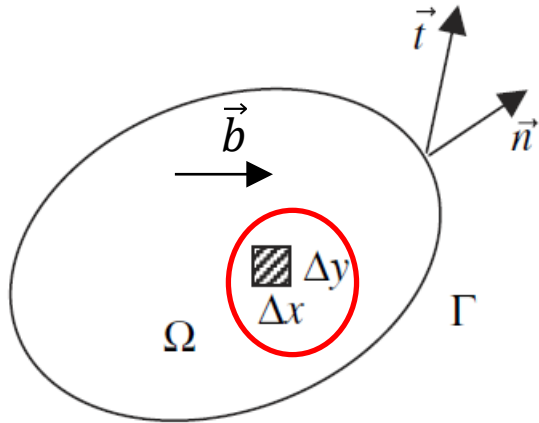
$$\Rightarrow t_x = \vec{i} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x n_x + \vec{i} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y n_y = \sigma_{xx} n_x + \sigma_{yx} n_y = \sigma_{xx} n_x + \sigma_{xy} n_y = \vec{\sigma}_x \cdot \vec{n}$$

$$t_y = \vec{j} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x n_x + \vec{j} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y n_y = \sigma_{xy} n_x + \sigma_{yy} n_y = \sigma_{yx} n_x + \sigma_{yy} n_y = \vec{\sigma}_y \cdot \vec{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} n_x \\ n_y \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{t} = \boldsymbol{\tau} \mathbf{n}$$



Force Equilibrium within a 2D Body



- Equilibrium of the **infinitesimal** 2D domain:

$$-\vec{\sigma}_x \left(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2}, y \right) \Delta y + \vec{\sigma}_x \left(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}, y \right) \Delta y - \vec{\sigma}_y \left(x, y - \frac{\Delta y}{2} \right) \Delta x + \vec{\sigma}_y \left(x, y + \frac{\Delta y}{2} \right) \Delta x + \vec{b}(x, y) \Delta x \Delta y = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\Delta x} \left[\vec{\sigma}_x \left(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}, y \right) - \vec{\sigma}_x \left(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2}, y \right) \right] + \frac{1}{\Delta y} \left[\vec{\sigma}_y \left(x, y + \frac{\Delta y}{2} \right) - \vec{\sigma}_y \left(x, y - \frac{\Delta y}{2} \right) \right] + \vec{b}(x, y) = \vec{0}$$

- Let $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$ and $\Delta y \rightarrow 0$:

$$\frac{\partial \vec{\sigma}_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \vec{\sigma}_y}{\partial y} + \vec{b} = \vec{0}$$

Governing equation



Expressions of Equilibrium (Governing) Equations

$$\frac{\partial \vec{\sigma}_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \vec{\sigma}_y}{\partial y} + \vec{b} = \vec{0}, \quad \vec{\sigma}_x = \sigma_{xx}\vec{i} + \sigma_{xy}\vec{j}, \quad \vec{\sigma}_y = \sigma_{yx}\vec{i} + \sigma_{yy}\vec{j}$$

- Equilibrium (governing) equations along base vectors:

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial y} + b_x = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + b_x = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} + b_y = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y + b_y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{0} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \sigma_{xy} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_y \end{bmatrix} = \nabla_s^T \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{b}$$



Constitutive Equations

- 2D isotropic materials:

➤ Plane stress:

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{E}{1 - \nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1 - \nu}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

➤ Plane strain:

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{E}{(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \nu & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 - \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1 - 2\nu}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Linear elasticity:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \underline{\mathbf{C}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

Constant



Strong Form of 2D Stress Analysis

- Governing equation:

$$\underline{\nabla_s^T \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0} \text{ on } \Omega}$$

$$\nabla_s^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Strain-displacement equation:

$$\underline{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \nabla_s \mathbf{u}}$$

- Constitutive law:

$$\underline{\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{C} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}$$

- Natural boundary conditions:

$$\underline{\boldsymbol{\tau} \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{t} = \bar{\mathbf{t}} \text{ on } \Gamma_t}$$

- Displacement boundary conditions:

$$\underline{\mathbf{u} = \bar{\mathbf{u}} \text{ on } \Gamma_u}$$

- Restrictions to boundary regions:

$$\Gamma_t \cap \Gamma_u = \emptyset$$

$$\Gamma_t \cup \Gamma_u = \Gamma$$

Boundary regions can be different on 2 base directions.



Weak Form of 2D Stress Analysis (1/3)

- Derivation from the strong form:

$$\nabla_S^T \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0} \text{ on } \Omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + b_x = 0, \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y + b_y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} w_x (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + b_x) d\Omega = 0, \quad \forall w_x \in U_0$$

$$\int_{\Omega} w_y (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y + b_y) d\Omega = 0, \quad \forall w_y \in U_0$$

$$\vec{w} = w_x \vec{i} + w_y \vec{j}$$

- Application of Green's theorem:

$$\int_{\Omega} w_x \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x d\Omega = \oint_{\Gamma} w_x \vec{\sigma}_x \cdot \vec{n} d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega} \vec{\nabla} w_x \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x d\Omega$$

$$\int_{\Omega} w_y \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y d\Omega = \oint_{\Gamma} w_y \vec{\sigma}_y \cdot \vec{n} d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega} \vec{\nabla} w_y \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y d\Omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} (w_x \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + w_y \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y) d\Omega$$

$$= \oint_{\Gamma_t} (w_x \vec{\sigma}_x \cdot \vec{n} + w_y \vec{\sigma}_y \cdot \vec{n}) d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega} (\vec{\nabla} w_x \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + \vec{\nabla} w_y \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y) d\Omega$$



Weak Form of 2D Stress Analysis (2/3)

$$\int_{\Omega} w_x (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + b_x) d\Omega = 0, \quad \forall w_x \in U_0$$

$$\int_{\Omega} w_y (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y + b_y) d\Omega = 0, \quad \forall w_y \in U_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} \vec{w} \cdot \vec{b} d\Omega + \oint_{\Gamma_t} (w_x \vec{\sigma}_x \cdot \vec{n} + w_y \vec{\sigma}_y \cdot \vec{n}) d\Gamma$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} (\vec{\nabla} w_x \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + \vec{\nabla} w_y \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y) d\Omega$$

- Application of natural boundary conditions:

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} \mathbf{n} = \bar{\mathbf{t}} \text{ on } \Gamma_t$$

$$\Rightarrow t_x = \vec{\sigma}_x \cdot \vec{n}, \quad t_y = \vec{\sigma}_y \cdot \vec{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} \vec{w} \cdot \vec{b} d\Omega + \oint_{\Gamma_t} \vec{w} \cdot \vec{t} d\Gamma = \int_{\Omega} (\vec{\nabla} w_x \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + \vec{\nabla} w_y \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y) d\Omega$$



Weak Form of 2D Stress Analysis (3/3)

$$\int_{\Omega} \vec{w} \cdot \vec{b} d\Omega + \oint_{\Gamma_t} \vec{w} \cdot \vec{t} d\Gamma = \int_{\Omega} (\vec{\nabla} w_x \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + \vec{\nabla} w_y \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y) d\Omega$$

$$\vec{\nabla} w_x \cdot \vec{\sigma}_x + \vec{\nabla} w_y \cdot \vec{\sigma}_y = \frac{\partial w_x}{\partial x} \sigma_{xx} + \frac{\partial w_x}{\partial y} \sigma_{xy} + \frac{\partial w_y}{\partial x} \sigma_{xy} + \frac{\partial w_y}{\partial y} \sigma_{yy} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial w_x}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial w_y}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial w_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w_y}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix}}_{(\nabla_s \mathbf{w})^T} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \sigma_{xy} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$$

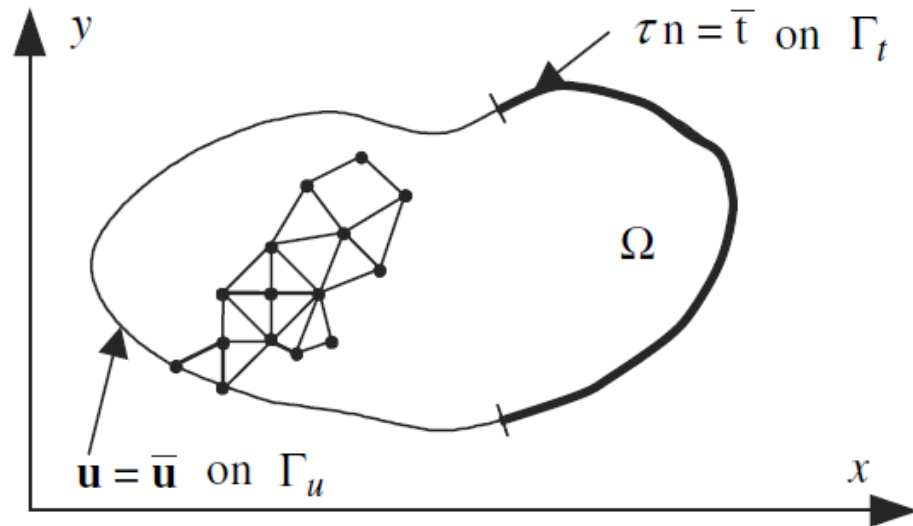
$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{b} d\Omega + \oint_{\Gamma_t} \mathbf{w}^T \bar{\mathbf{t}} d\Gamma = \int_{\Omega} (\nabla_s \mathbf{w})^T \boldsymbol{\sigma} d\Omega = \int_{\Omega} (\nabla_s \mathbf{w})^T \mathbf{C} \nabla_s \mathbf{u} d\Omega$$

Find $\mathbf{u} \in U = \{\mathbf{u} | \mathbf{u} \in H^1, \mathbf{u} = \bar{\mathbf{u}} \text{ on } \Gamma_u\}$, such that the equation holds for:

$$\forall \mathbf{w} \in U_0 = \{\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{w} \in H^1, \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0} \text{ on } \Gamma_u\}$$



Discretization for 2D Stress Analysis



- Approximation of trial solutions and weight functions at the element level:

$$\mathbf{u}(x, y) \approx \mathbf{u}^e(x, y) = \mathbf{N}^e(x, y) \mathbf{d}^e$$

$$\mathbf{w}^T(x, y) \approx \mathbf{w}^{eT}(x, y) = \mathbf{w}^{eT} \mathbf{N}^e(x, y)^T$$

$$\mathbf{N}^e = \begin{bmatrix} N_1^e & 0 & \dots & N_{n_{en}}^e & 0 \\ 0 & N_1^e & \dots & 0 & N_{n_{en}}^e \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{d}^e = [u_{x1}^e \quad u_{y1}^e \quad \dots \quad u_{xn_{en}}^e \quad u_{yn_{en}}^e]^T$$

$$\mathbf{w}^e = [w_{x1}^e \quad w_{y1}^e \quad \dots \quad w_{xn_{en}}^e \quad w_{yn_{en}}^e]^T$$

- u_x and u_y are generally approximated by the **same shape functions**.
- 2D nodal value of $\mathbf{u} = [u_x \quad u_y]^T$:

$$\mathbf{d} = [u_{x1} \quad u_{y1} \quad \dots \quad u_{xn_{np}} \quad u_{yn_{np}}]^T$$



Nodal Values Calculation (1/2)

- Integration from the weak form:

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{b} d\Omega + \oint_{\Gamma_t} \mathbf{w}^T \bar{\mathbf{t}} d\Gamma = \int_{\Omega} (\nabla_s \mathbf{w})^T \mathbf{C} \nabla_s \mathbf{u} d\Omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{B}^e = \nabla_s \mathbf{N}^e = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_1^e & 0 & \dots & N_{n_{en}}^e & 0 \\ 0 & N_1^e & \dots & 0 & N_{n_{en}}^e \end{bmatrix}$$

- Integration by elements:

$$0 = \sum_{e=1}^{nel} \left(\int_{\Omega^e} (\nabla_s \mathbf{w}^e)^T \mathbf{C}^e \nabla_s \mathbf{u}^e d\Omega - \int_{\Omega^e} \mathbf{w}^{eT} \mathbf{b} d\Omega - \oint_{\Gamma_t^e} \mathbf{w}^{eT} \bar{\mathbf{t}} d\Gamma \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{B}^e = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial N_1^e}{\partial x} & 0 & \dots & \frac{\partial N_{n_{en}}^e}{\partial x} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial N_1^e}{\partial y} & \dots & 0 & \frac{\partial N_{n_{en}}^e}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial N_1^e}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial N_1^e}{\partial x} & \dots & \frac{\partial N_{n_{en}}^e}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial N_{n_{en}}^e}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Approximation of strain:

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} \\ \varepsilon_{yy} \\ \gamma_{xy} \end{bmatrix} = \nabla_s \mathbf{u} \approx \nabla_s \mathbf{u}^e(x, y) = \underline{\nabla_s \mathbf{N}^e(x, y)} \mathbf{d}^e$$

\mathbf{B}^e

$$(\nabla_s \mathbf{w}^e)^T = (\nabla_s \mathbf{N}^e \mathbf{w}^e)^T = \mathbf{w}^{eT} \mathbf{B}^{eT}$$



Nodal Values Calculation (2/2)

$$0 = \sum_{e=1}^{nel} \left(\int_{\Omega^e} (\nabla_s \mathbf{w}^e)^T \mathbf{C}^e \nabla_s \mathbf{u}^e d\Omega - \int_{\Omega^e} \mathbf{w}^{eT} \mathbf{b} d\Omega - \oint_{\Gamma_t^e} \mathbf{w}^{eT} \bar{\mathbf{t}} d\Gamma \right)$$

$$\mathbf{u}^e = \mathbf{N}^e \mathbf{d}^e, \quad \mathbf{w}^{eT} = \mathbf{w}^{eT} \mathbf{N}^{eT}, \quad \nabla_s \mathbf{u}^e = \mathbf{B}^e \mathbf{d}^e, \quad (\nabla_s \mathbf{w}^e)^T = \mathbf{w}^{eT} \mathbf{B}^{eT}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \sum_{e=1}^{nel} \left(\int_{\Omega^e} \mathbf{w}^{eT} \mathbf{B}^{eT} \mathbf{C}^e \mathbf{B}^e \mathbf{d}^e d\Omega - \int_{\Omega^e} \mathbf{w}^{eT} \mathbf{N}^{eT} \mathbf{b} d\Omega - \oint_{\Gamma_t^e} \mathbf{w}^{eT} \mathbf{N}^{eT} \bar{\mathbf{t}} d\Gamma \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \sum_{e=1}^{nel} \mathbf{w}^{eT} \left(\int_{\Omega^e} \mathbf{B}^{eT} \mathbf{C}^e \mathbf{B}^e d\Omega \mathbf{d}^e - \int_{\Omega^e} \mathbf{N}^{eT} \mathbf{b} d\Omega - \oint_{\Gamma_t^e} \mathbf{N}^{eT} \bar{\mathbf{t}} d\Gamma \right), \quad \forall \mathbf{w}_F$$

Direct assembly in 2D:

$$[u_{x1}, u_{y1}, u_{x2}, u_{y2}, \dots]^T$$



Expansion to 3D

$$\nabla_s^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & 0 & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma^T = [\sigma_{xx} \quad \sigma_{yy} \quad \sigma_{zz} \quad \sigma_{xy} \quad \sigma_{xz} \quad \sigma_{yz}]^T$$

$$\epsilon^T = [\epsilon_{xx} \quad \epsilon_{yy} \quad \epsilon_{zz} \quad \epsilon_{xy} \quad \epsilon_{xz} \quad \epsilon_{yz}]^T$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{E}{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)} \begin{bmatrix} 1-\nu & \nu & \nu & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \nu & 1-\nu & \nu & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \nu & \nu & 1-\nu & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1-2\nu}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1-2\nu}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1-2\nu}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\nu = 0.5$ – incompressible and needs special formulation

All the other matrices follow the general x-y-z order.



The End

