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Solid Mechanics (CE2L001)

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Assignment No. 3

Total Marks: 100

Instructions:

- (1) If two or more answer scripts appear identical, each of them will be awarded ZERO.
- (2) Provide neatly drawn figures to explain the concepts behind the problems.
- (3) Submit your answer script by October 28, 2025.

Notations :

Zeroth-order tensors or scalars are represented by small letters. For eg. a

First-order tensors or vectors are represented by bold small letters. For eg. \mathbf{a} .

Second-order tensors are represented by bold capital letters. For eg. \mathbf{A}

1. Consider the following two-dimensional transformation

$$x'_1 = 4 - 2x_1 - x_2, \quad x'_2 = 2 + \frac{3x_1}{2} - \frac{x_2}{2}$$

- (a) Is the transformation linear?
- (b) Calculate the components of the deformation gradient \mathbf{F} . Compute $\det(\mathbf{F})$, and \mathbf{F}^{-1} , where $\det(\cdot)$ and $(\cdot)^{-1}$ denote the determinant and the inverse of a second order tensor, respectively.
- (c) Study the transformation over a unit square defined through the following corner points $(0,0)$, $(1,0)$, $(1,1)$, $(0,1)$.

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2. Determine the linear strain tensor $\mathbf{E}_s = (1/2)(\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^T)$ for the following displacement fields, given in a Cartesian basis:

- (a) $\mathbf{u} = a(x_2 - x_1)\mathbf{e}_1 + a(x_1 - x_2)\mathbf{e}_2 + ax_1x_3\mathbf{e}_3$
- (b) $\mathbf{u} = ax_2x_3\mathbf{e}_1 + bx_3x_1\mathbf{e}_2 + cx_1x_2\mathbf{e}_3$
- (c) $\mathbf{u} = -ax_1x_2\mathbf{e}_1 + (bx_1^2 + cx_2^2 - cx_3^2)\mathbf{e}_2 + cx_2x_3\mathbf{e}_3$
- (d) $\mathbf{u} = a(3x_1^2 + x_2)\mathbf{e}_1 + a(2x_2^2 + x_3)\mathbf{e}_2 + a(4x_3^2 + x_1)\mathbf{e}_3$

where a , b and c are positive constants. Also for each of the above displacement fields, determine the normal strain at the point $(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (1, 1, 1)$ for the direction $\mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3)$.

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3. The displacement field in a turbine blade of a jet engine shown in Fig. 1 can be given in a Cartesian reference frame by $\mathbf{u} = u_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + u_2 \mathbf{e}_2 + u_3 \mathbf{e}_3$, where

$$u_1 = c(x_1^2 + 10)$$

$$u_2 = 2c x_2 x_3$$

$$u_3 = c(-x_1 x_2 + x_3^2),$$

with $c = 10^{-4}$ mm. Determine the components of the strain tensor $\mathbf{E} = (1/2)(\mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F} - \mathbf{I})$ and linear strain tensor $\mathbf{E}_s = (1/2)(\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^T)$ at $(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (0, 2, 1)$ mm. Comment on the results.

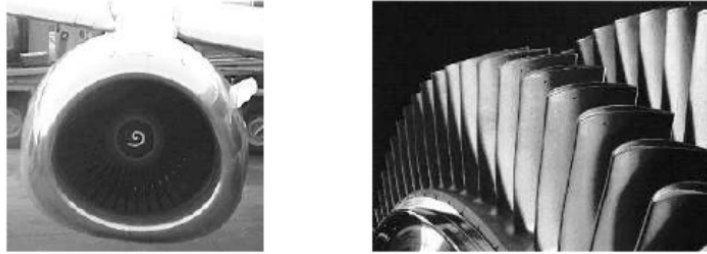


Figure 1: Turbine blades of a jet engine

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4. Give an interpretation and determine the invariants of the strain tensors given in component form as

$$(a) \quad [\mathbf{E}] = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \quad [\mathbf{E}] = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \quad [\mathbf{E}] = \begin{bmatrix} -\epsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\epsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(d) \quad [\mathbf{E}] = \begin{bmatrix} -\epsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\epsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\epsilon \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(e) \quad [\mathbf{E}] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{\gamma}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{\gamma}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where ϵ and γ are small positive numbers.

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5. In the direct extrusion process, a round billet is placed in a chamber and forced through a die opening by a hydraulic-driven ram in Fig. 2. The extrusion pressure is affected by the die angle, the reduction in cross-section, extrusion speed, billet temperature and lubrication. In the vicinity of the corner of the die a rectangular block of material is considered, with its axes oriented along an ortho-normal basis \mathbf{e}_1 , \mathbf{e}_2 and \mathbf{e}_3 . Its dimension along each of the three axes is l . The block is deformed as shown in Fig. 3 . The thickness remains unchanged. Determine the deformation gradient tensor \mathbf{F} .

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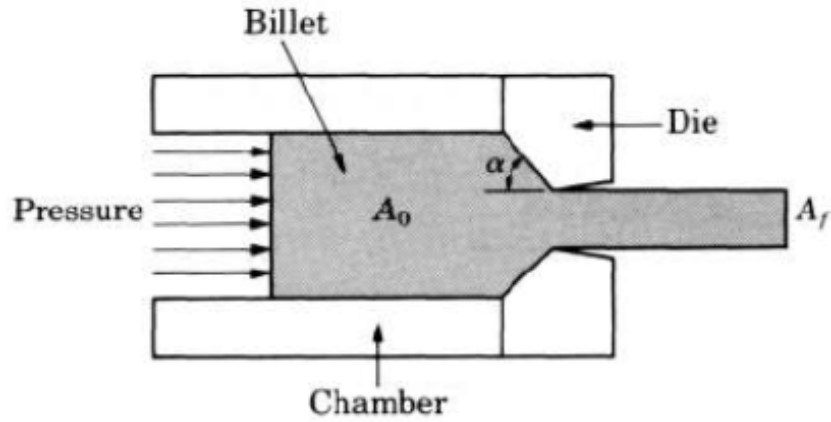


Figure 2: The direct extrusion process

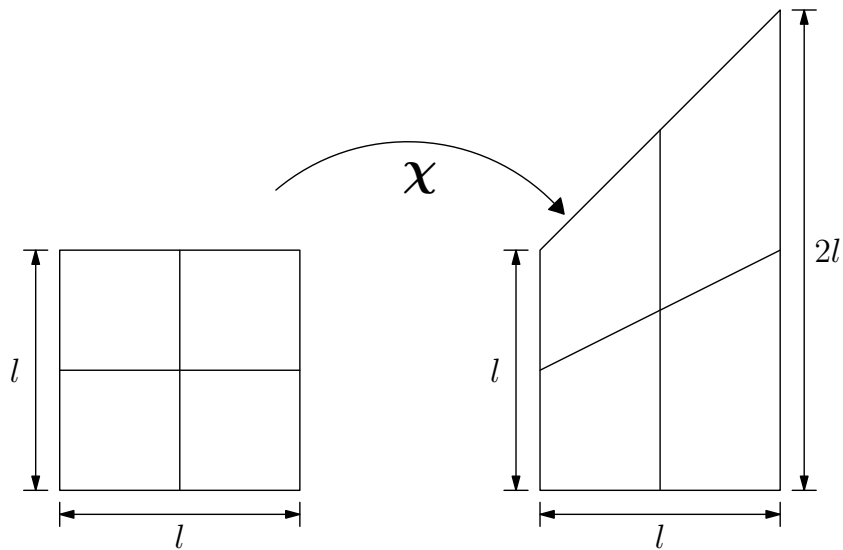


Figure 3: Deformation of body

6. Consider the following transformation

$$\begin{aligned}x'_1 &= x_1 \\x'_2 &= x_3, \\x'_3 &= -x_2,\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Is the transformation linear?
- (b) Calculate the components of the deformation gradient \mathbf{F} . Compute $\det(\mathbf{F})$, and \mathbf{F}^{-1} , where $\det(\cdot)$ and $(\cdot)^{-1}$ denote the determinant and the inverse of a second order tensor, respectively.
- (c) Study the transformation over a unit cube defined by the coordinates of the corner points $(0,0,0)$, $(1,0,0)$, $(1,1,0)$, $(0,1,0)$, $(0,0,1)$, $(1,0,1)$, $(1,1,1)$, $(0,1,1)$.

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7. The following transformation is assigned

$$\begin{aligned}x'_1 &= x_1 + \alpha x_2 \\x'_2 &= x_2, \\x'_3 &= x_3,\end{aligned}$$

where α is a generic constant.

- (a) Study the deformation of a unit cube defined by the coordinates of the corner points $(0,0,0)$, $(1,0,0)$, $(1,1,0)$, $(0,1,0)$, $(0,0,1)$, $(1,0,1)$, $(1,1,1)$, $(0,1,1)$.
- (b) Calculate the components of tensor $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F}$.

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8. The motion of the body is described as

$$\begin{aligned}x'_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(x_1 - x_2 + 5) \\x'_2 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(x_1 + x_2 + 3), \\x'_3 &= x_3 + 6,\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Find the deformation gradient, \mathbf{F} , for the motion.
- (b) Calculate
 - (i) $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^T$,
 - (ii) $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F}$,
 - (iii) $\mathbf{E} = (1/2)(\mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F} - \mathbf{I})$ and
 - (iv) $\mathbf{E}_s = (1/2)(\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^T)$.
 Comment on the results.

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9. Consider a linearized strain field $\mathbf{E}_s(\mathbf{x})$ whose components are given by

$$[\mathbf{E}_s(\mathbf{x})] = \begin{bmatrix} 3x_1 & 5x_2 + 6x_3 & (x_3)^3 \\ 5x_2 + 6x_3 & 0 & (x_1)^2 + (x_2)^2 \\ (x_3)^3 & (x_1)^2 + (x_2)^2 & \exp(x_1) \end{bmatrix} \times 10^{-6}$$

- (a) Find the principal strains and directions at $x_i = (1, 2, 3)$.
- (b) What is the normal strain in the direction $n_i = (1, 1, 1)$ at the point $x_i = (2, 2, 0)$?
- (c) What is the change in angle between $v_i^{(1)} = (1, 1, 1)$ and $v_i^{(2)} = (2, 1, 3)$ at the point $x_i = (1, 1, 1)$?
- (d) What is the volumetric strain at $x_i = (0, 0, 0)$?

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10. The linearized strain at a particular point in a body is given by

$$[\mathbf{E}_s] = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 8 & 0 \\ 8 & 9 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 55 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^{-5}$$

in the $\{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}\}$ basis where $\mathbf{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3)$, $\mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\mathbf{e}_1 - \mathbf{e}_2)$, and $\mathbf{c} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2 - 2\mathbf{e}_3)$.

- (a) Find the max normal and shear strains at this point.
- (b) Find the normal strain in the \mathbf{e}_1 direction at this point.
- (c) Find the angle change between the \mathbf{e}_1 and \mathbf{e}_2 directions at this point.

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