Diagram

Context
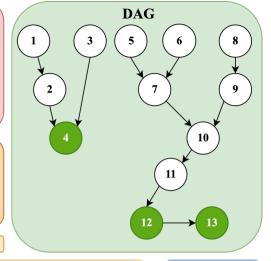
Consider a rectangular solid block with length l (along x-direction), cross-sectional area A (the area of face parallel to applied force), shear modulus n (for the block's material), and density ρ. A tangential shearing force F is applied to one face, causing a tangential displacement u at the upper surface and producing a small shear angle φ. For the analysis of elastic waves, let $u(x, t)$ denote the displacement in the y-direction at position x and time t. You should use F for the shearing force, A for the area, n for the shear modulus, l for the block length, u for the tangential displacement, φ for the shear angle, ρ for the density, and υ for the speed of the transverse elastic wave.

Sub-questions

(a) A shearing force F is applied tangentially to a rectangular solid block as shown in Fig. Find, within elastic limits, the relation between the tangential displacement u at the upper surface and the applied force F....

(b) The elastic properties of the solid support elastic waves. Assume a transverse plane wave propagates in the x-direction, with oscillations in the y-direction. Derive the equation of motion for the y-direction displacement $u(x, t)$, where u is the displacement at ......

(c) Find, in terms of the shear modulus n and density ρ, the speed υ of the transverse elastic wave as described in part (b).

Final answer form: algebraic **Final answer instructions:** Your final answer should be given as a equation to reflect the relationship between... and use only...

Solutions

(a) Hooke's law for shearing yields $\frac{F}{A} = n \varphi$ **(1)** The tangential displacement at ... by $u = l \varphi$ **(2)**. But the tangential ...by u, so $u = l \varphi$ Solving for φ $\varphi = \frac{F}{A n}$ **(3)**. Substituting this results into the previous equation gives $u = l \varphi$ $u = \frac{l F}{A n}$ **(4)**

(b) The potential ... is $\frac{1}{2} n \varphi^2$ **(5)**. For small ..., $\varphi = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$ **(6)** Thus ... $\frac{1}{2} n \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2$ **(7)** The kinetic energy ... is $\int_{0}^{l} \frac{1}{2} \rho A \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right)^2 dx$ **(8)** According to ..., $\delta \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L \, dt = 0$, where L is ... , with kinetic energy $T = \int_{0}^{l} \frac{1}{2} \rho A \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right)^{2} dx$ **(9)** and potential energy $V = \int_{0}^{l} \frac{1}{2} n A \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^{2} dx$ **(10)** So the action is $S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_0^l \left[\frac{n}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 - \frac{\rho}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right)^2 \right] A \, dx \, dt$ **(11)** Applying the Euler-Lagrange equation leads to $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\rho}{n} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = 0$ **(12)**

(c) From wave equation, $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\rho}{n} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$ The speed of transverse elastic wave is $\upsilon = \sqrt{\frac{n}{\rho}}$ **(13)**

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Difficulty
Medium

Physics Domain
Mechanics

Knowledge Concepts
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