

Homework 3

Due April 13 2021

1. Let \mathbf{S} be a second-rank tensor and \mathbf{T} be a symmetric second-rank tensor. Prove that

$$S_{ij}T_{ij} = S_{(ij)}T_{ij} = S_{(ij)}T_{(ij)}.$$

2. (Euler-Lagrange condition of the Galerkin formulation)

- (a) Consider the weak-form problem for the one-dimensional model problem,

$$\int_0^1 w_{,x} u_{,x} dx = \int_0^1 w f dx + w(0)h,$$

in which w and u are assumed to have sufficient smoothness *globally*. One can show its equivalence to the strong-form problem via considering its Euler-Lagrange condition. Now we consider the corresponding Galerkin formulation, where the test function and trial solution are represented by piecewise linear functions. Therefore, they are smooth only in the element interiors, but are only C^0 across element boundaries. Because of this, we can only perform integration-by-parts in an element-by-element fashion for the Galerkin formulation. Show that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \sum_{A=1}^n \int_{x_A}^{x_{A+1}} w^h (u_{,xx}^h + f) dx + w^h(0) (u_{,x}^h(0^+) + h) \\ & + \sum_{A=2}^n w^h(x_A) (u_{,x}^h(x_A^+) - u_{,x}^h(x_A^-)). \end{aligned}$$

Further, show that the above Euler-Lagrange condition suggests that

$$\begin{aligned} u_{,xx}^h + f &= 0, \quad \text{for } x \in (x_A, x_{A+1}), \text{ and } A = 1, 2, \dots, n, \\ -u_{,x}^h(0^+) &= h, \\ u_{,x}^h(x_A^-) &= u_{,x}^h(x_A^+), \quad \text{for } A = 2, 3, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Consider the weak-form problem for elastostatics,

$$\int_{\Omega} w_{(i,j)} \sigma_{ij} d\Omega = \int_{\Omega} w_i f_i d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma_h} w_i h_i d\Gamma.$$

If the test and trial function spaces are constructed by C^0 basis functions, show that

$$0 = \sum_{e=1}^{n_{el}} \int_{\Omega^e} w_i^h (\sigma_{ij,j}^h + f_i) d\Omega - \int_{\Gamma_h} w_i^h (\sigma_{ij}^h n_j - h_i) d\Gamma - \int_{\Gamma_{\text{int}}} w_i^h \llbracket \sigma_{ij} n_j \rrbracket d\Gamma,$$

wherein

$$\Gamma_{\text{int}} := \cup_{e=1}^{n_{el}} \partial\Omega^e - \partial\Omega.$$

From the above Euler-Lagrange equation, one may readily conclude that the Galerkin formulation implies

$$\sigma_{ij,j} + f_i = 0, \quad \text{in } \cup_{e=1}^{n_{el}} \Omega^e,$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{ij}n_j &= h_i, & \text{on } \Gamma_h, \\ \llbracket \sigma_{ij}n_j \rrbracket &= 0, & \text{on } \Gamma_{\text{int}}.\end{aligned}$$

In the above, $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$ is a jump operator. Let e be an interior edge shared by elements Ω^1 and Ω^2 . Define the unit normal vectors n^1 and n^2 on e pointing exterior to Ω^1 and Ω^2 , respectively. Let $\sigma_{ij}^k := \sigma_{ij}|_{\partial\Omega^k}$, we set

$$\llbracket \sigma_{ij}n_j \rrbracket := \sigma_{ij}^1 n_j^1 + \sigma_{ij}^2 n_j^2, \quad \text{on } e.$$

3. (Voigt notation)

(a) Show that $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\text{vect}} = \mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\text{vect}}(\mathbf{u})$ is equivalent to $\sigma_{ij} = c_{ijkl}\epsilon_{kl}$.

(b) Show that $w_{(i,j)}c_{ijkl}u_{(k,l)} = (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\text{vect}}(\mathbf{w}))^T \mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\text{vect}}(\mathbf{u})$.

4. (Two-dimensional element routine) Use quadratic and linear shape functions to design shape functions for the six-node quadrilateral depicted in the following figure. Write a pseudo-code (or draw a flow chart) that calculate the basis functions and their derivative values at a given quadrature point. You may want to consult Section 3.9 of the textbook.

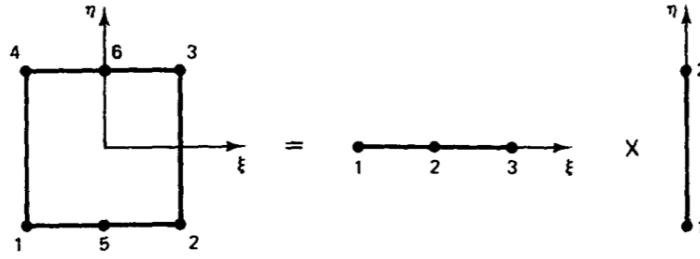


Figure 1: 6-node element

5. (Boundary condition specification) Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, and let its boundary $\Gamma = \overline{\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3 \cup \Gamma_4}$, where Γ_k , $k = 1, 2, 3$, and 4 are non-overlapping subregions of Γ . Let \mathbf{n} be the unit outward normal vector and \mathbf{s} be a unit tangent vector such that \mathbf{s} and \mathbf{n} form a right-hand rule basis (see Figure 2). Consider the strong-form problem of linear elastostatics: Given f_i , g_i , h_i , g_n , h_s , g_s , and h_n , find u_i such that

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{ij,j} + f_i &= 0, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u_i &= g_i, & \text{on } \Gamma_1, \\ \sigma_{ij}n_j &= h_i, & \text{on } \Gamma_2, \\ u_i n_i &= g_n, & \text{on } \Gamma_3, \\ \sigma_{ij}n_j s_i &= h_s, & \text{on } \Gamma_3, \\ u_i s_i &= g_s, & \text{on } \Gamma_4, \\ \sigma_{ij}n_j n_i &= h_n, & \text{on } \Gamma_4.\end{aligned}$$

Establish a weak formulation for this problem in which all “ g -type” boundary condition are essential and all “ h -type” boundary conditions are natural. In particular, please clearly define your trial solution and test function spaces.

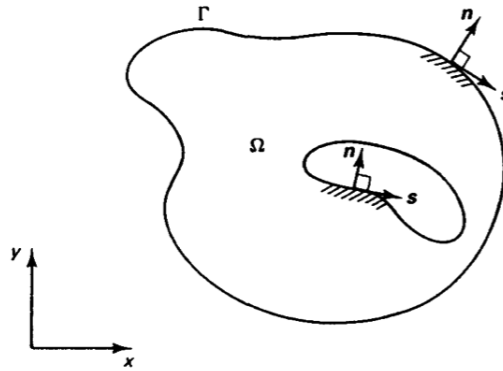


Figure 2: The unit outward normal and unit tangent vectors.

6. (Final project stage 1: Design your problem) Select one of the analysis problems listed below as your final project topic. Here are some possible problems for the project.

- Bernoulli-Euler beam and Timoshenko beam theories;
- Solve plane-strain incompressible materials using the mixed finite element method;
- Three-dimensional thermal analysis;
- Plane-strain elastodynamic analysis;
- Plane-strain linear visco-elasticity analysis;
- Solve the Helmholtz equation via the p-version finite element method;
- Solve the advection-diffusion equation;
- Your own project (discuss with me).

You are encouraged to work with teammates. Each team is allowed to have 1, 2, or at most 3 members. At this stage, you need to decide your project topic and setup your team. In this homework, you shall report (1) your project topic and (2) your team members.

A few more words about the final projects: Final projects will be reported by a in-class presentation (10 minutes) and a written report. A report shall include the following contents.

- Problem description: Describe the objective of the analysis. Describe the physical model to be analyzed and the overall engineering assumptions, material properties, loading conditions, etc.
- Design of the numerical methods: Describe the weak-form problem, the finite element technology chosen, the Galerkin formulation, and the matrix problem.
- FEA code: A brief summary of the finite element program and a complete set of numerical codes that can reproduce your results.
- Results and analysis: Include methods that you use to verify the correctness of your code. Include important results and a discussion should be accompanied these results.
- Conclusions: Describe what has been learned from the analysis and what conclusion can be drawn.

The importance of a thorough documentation and judicious use of appendices cannot be overemphasized. Reports should include enough detail that an experienced analyst could completely reproduce the results from reading the reports alone.