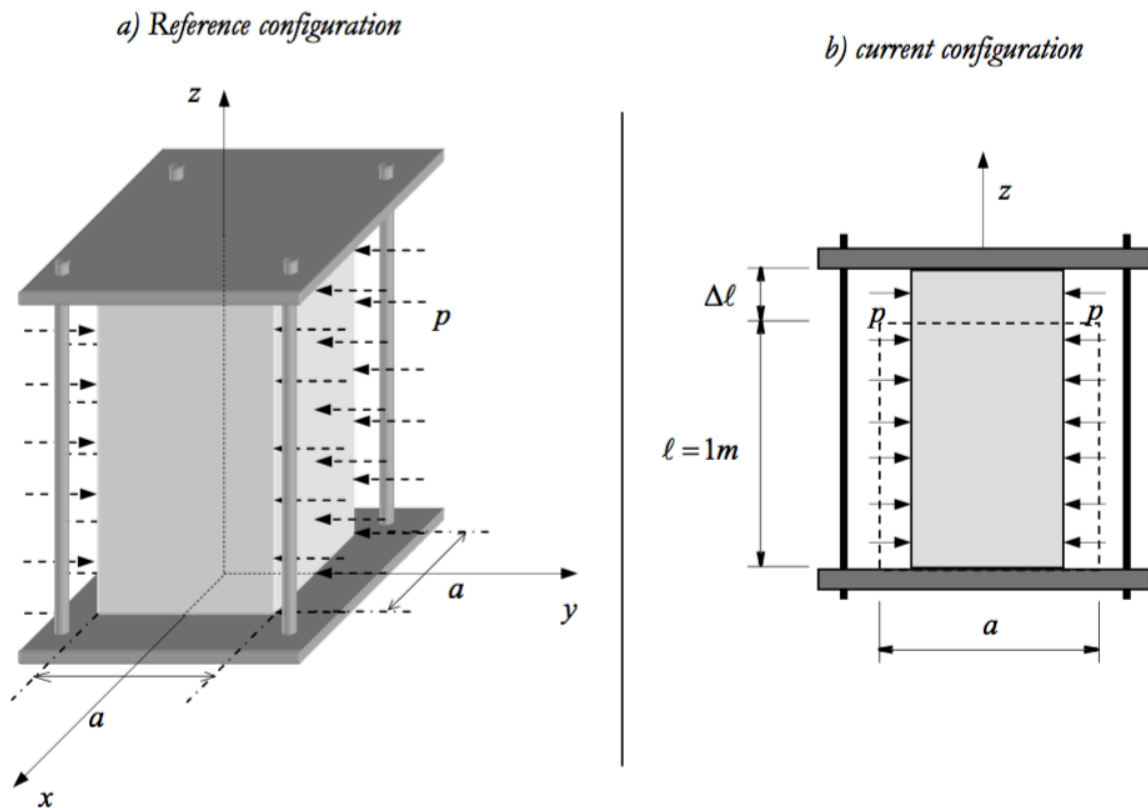


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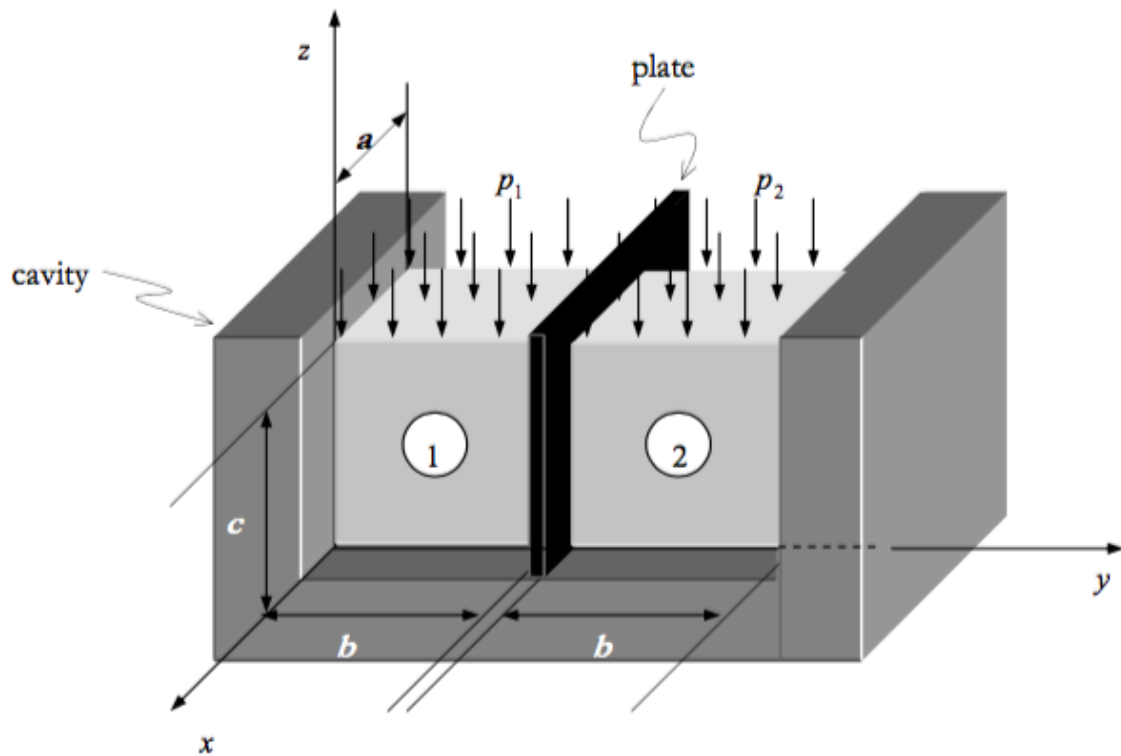
(Due Dec 2, in class)

1. A metallic cube of original edge length a is dropped into the sea. Assume isotropic linear elasticity for the cube, i.e. E and ν are given. Assume gravity g . Density of the seawater is ρ . Find the change in the volume of the cube at depth h from the surface. [6 points]
2. Consider a prismatic block with known elastic constants E_p and ν , with square cross-section of edge length a and height l . This block is sandwiched between two rigid and smooth plates, held together by four cables of individual cross-section area A_c and elastic constants E_c and ν , as shown in the figure below. A compressive pressure p is applied on two opposite sides of the block.



- i. Find the stress σ_c on the cables. [6 points]
- ii. Find the stress field in the block. [3 points]
- iii. Find the change in volume experienced by the block. [3 points]

3. Two blocks of the same material (known E and ν) and the same shape $a \times b \times c$ are separated by a rigid and smooth plate, in contact with the sides $a \times c$ of the blocks. Both blocks, along with the attached plate in the middle, are introduced into a cavity as indicated in the figure below. The walls of the cavity are flat, rigid, and smooth. Two different pressures p_2 and p_1 are applied on the upper faces of the blocks, the sides $b \times c$.



- i. Find stress fields in both blocks. [7 points]
- ii. Find the changes in the edge lengths of both blocks. [5 points]