

Lesson 03

Virtual Work, Calculus of Variation Hamilton's Principle

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1. Virtual Work – Work and Energy

- ❖ Work is the product of force and displacement in the direction of the force.
- ❖ The work done by the force in moving the particle from A to B is given by

$$W = \int_A^B F \cdot du$$

- ❖ Total work done on the body is the sum of work done on all particles of the body.

$$W = \int_V F \cdot u \, dv$$

- ❖ Energy is the capacity to do work. Measure of the capacity of all forces.

$$E = \int_t \int_V F \cdot u \, dv \, dt$$

- ❖ Both work and energy are scalars (independent of the coordinate system).

1. Virtual Work – Strain Energy

- ❖ Strain energy density.
- ❖ Complementary strain energy density.
- ❖ For linear elastic materials:

$$U_0 = \int_{\varepsilon} \sigma_{ij} d\varepsilon_{ij}$$

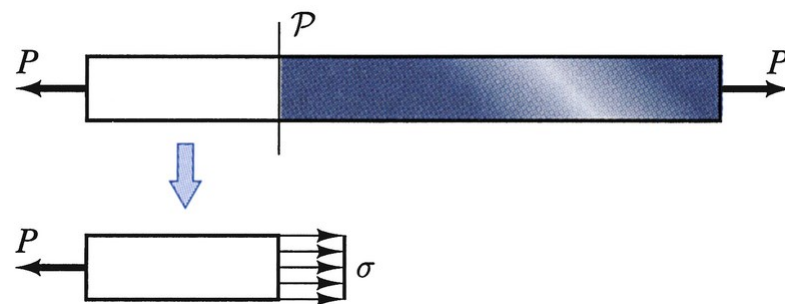
$$U_0^* = \int_{\sigma} \varepsilon_{ij} d\sigma_{ij}$$

$$U_0 = U_0^*$$

Axially Loaded Bar Problem

- ❖ Strain energy density.

$$U_0 = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_x \varepsilon_x = \frac{1}{2} E \varepsilon^2 = \frac{1}{2} E \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2$$



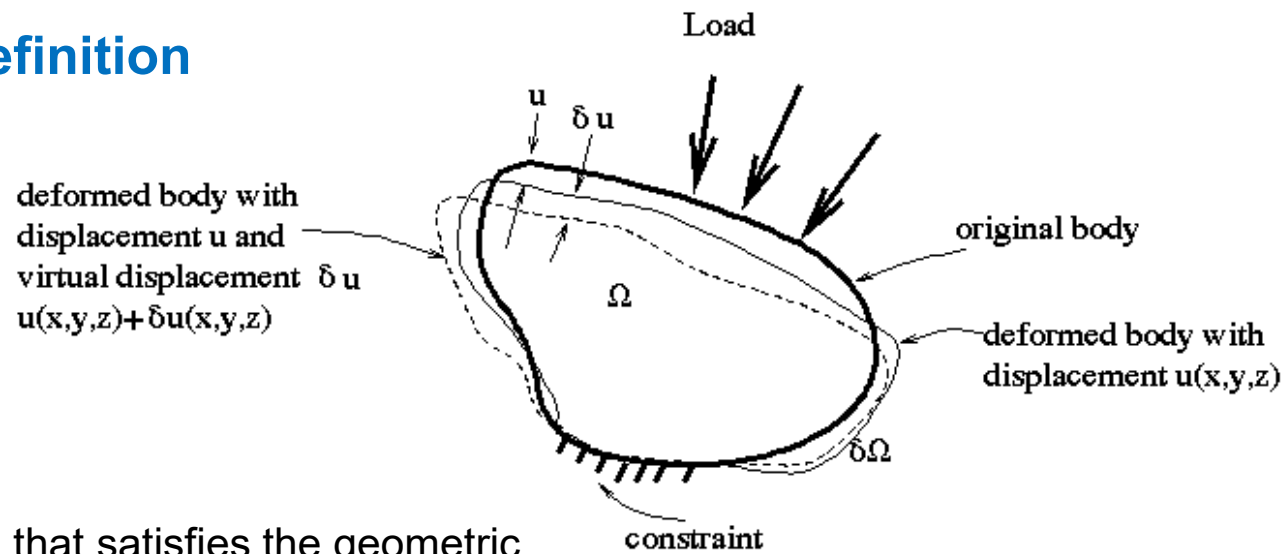
- ❖ Strain energy.
$$U = \int_V \frac{1}{2} E \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2 dV = \int_0^L \int_A \frac{1}{2} E \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2 dA dx = \int_0^L \frac{EA}{2} \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2 dx$$

- ❖ Complementary strain energy density.
$$U_0^* = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_x \varepsilon_x = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma^2}{E} = \frac{1}{2E} \left(\frac{P}{A} \right)^2$$

- ❖ Complementary strain energy.

$$U^* = \int_V \frac{P^2}{2EA^2} dV = \int_0^L \frac{P^2}{2EA} dx$$

1. Virtual Work – Definition



- ❖ The set of configuration that satisfies the geometric constraints is called the set of admissible configurations.
- ❖ When mechanical system experiences such variations in its displacement configuration, it is said to undergo virtual displacements from its equilibrium configuration.
- ❖ The work done by the actual forces through a virtual displacement of the actual configuration is called virtual work.

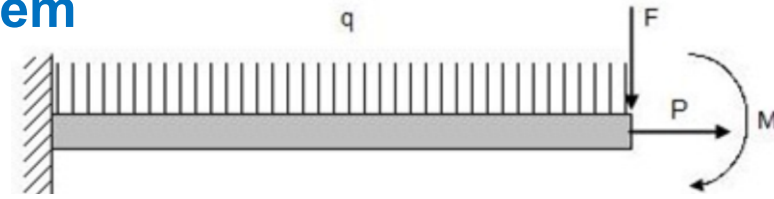
$$\delta W = \int_V F \cdot \delta u \, dV$$

- ❖ External work done subjected to body forces and surface forces.

$$\delta W_E = - \int_V f_i \cdot \delta u_i \, dV - \int_{S_2} \hat{t}_i \cdot \delta u_i \, dS$$

- ❖ Internal virtual work $\delta W_I = \int_V \delta U_0 \, dV = \int_V \delta \left(\int_0^{\varepsilon_{ij}} \sigma_{ij} \, d\varepsilon_{ij} \right) dV = \int_V \delta \left(\frac{1}{2} \sigma_{ij} \varepsilon_{ij} \right) dV = \int_V \sigma_{ij} \delta \varepsilon_{ij} \, dV$

1. Virtual Work – Cantilever Beam Problem



❖ Displacements $u = u_0 - z \frac{dw_0}{dx}$; $w = w_0$

❖ Strains $\varepsilon_x = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{du_0}{dx} - z \frac{d^2 w_0}{dx^2} \rightarrow \delta \varepsilon_x = \frac{d\delta u_0}{dx} - z \frac{d^2 \delta w_0}{dx^2}$

❖ Stress resultants $N = \int_A \sigma_x dA$ $M = \int_A \sigma_x z dA$

❖ External virtual work

$$\begin{aligned} \delta W_E &= - \int_V f_i \cdot \delta u_i dV - \int_{S_2} \hat{t}_i \cdot \delta u_i dS = - \int_0^L \int_A (f \delta u + q \delta w) dA dx - P \delta u(L) - F \delta w(L) \\ &= - \int_0^L (f \delta u_0 + q \delta w_0) dx - P \delta u_0(L) - F \delta w_0(L) \end{aligned}$$

❖ Internal virtual work

$$\delta W_I = \int_V \sigma_{ij} \delta \varepsilon_{ij} dV = \int_0^L \int_A \sigma_x \delta \varepsilon_x dA dx = \int_0^L \int_A \sigma_x \left(\frac{d\delta u_0}{dx} - z \frac{d^2 \delta w_0}{dx^2} \right) dA dx = \int_0^L \left[N \frac{d\delta u_0}{dx} - M \frac{d^2 \delta w_0}{dx^2} \right] dx$$

❖ Total virtual work

$$\delta W = \delta W_I + \delta W_E = \int_0^L \left[N \frac{d\delta u_0}{dx} + M \left(\frac{-d^2 \delta w_0}{dx^2} \right) - f \delta u_0 - q \delta w_0 \right] dx - P \delta u_0(L) - F \delta w_0(L)$$

1. Virtual Work – Complementary Virtual Work

- ❖ The work done by the virtual forces through an actual displacement is called complementary virtual work.

$$\delta W^* = \int_V \delta F \cdot u \, dV$$

- ❖ External work done subjected to body forces and surface forces.

$$\delta W_E^* = - \int_V \delta f_i \cdot u_i \, dV - \int_{S_1} \delta t_i \cdot \hat{u}_i \, dS$$

- ❖ Internal Complementary Virtual Work

$$\delta W_I^* = \int_V \delta U_0^* \, dV = \int_V \delta \left(\int_0^{\sigma_{ij}} \varepsilon_{ij} \, d\sigma_{ij} \right) dV = \int_V \delta \left(\frac{1}{2} \sigma_{ij} \varepsilon_{ij} \right) dV = \int_V \varepsilon_{ij} \delta \sigma_{ij} \, dV$$

2. Calculus of Variation – Definition

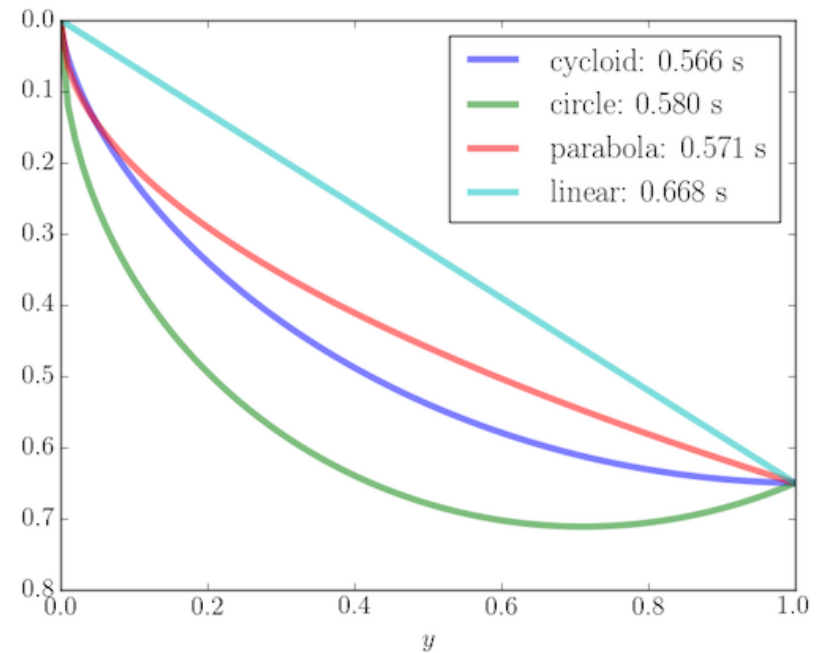
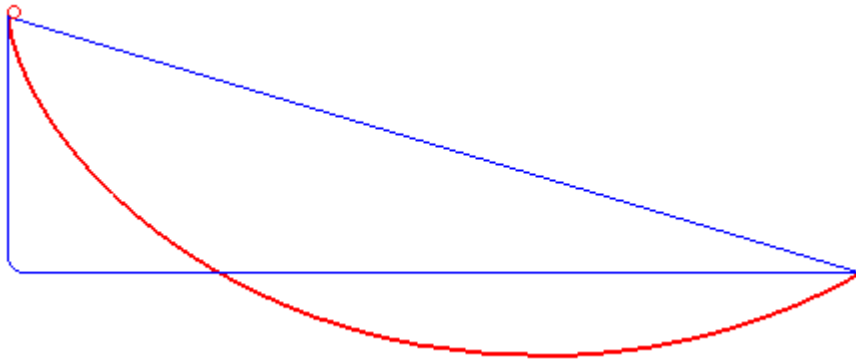
- ❖ Calculus of variations is a field of mathematical analysis that deals with maximizing or minimizing functionals, which are mappings from a set of functions to the real numbers.
- ❖ The interest is in extremal functions that make the functional attain a maximum or minimum value or stationary functions those where the rate of change of the functional is zero.
- ❖ A simple example of such a problem is to find the curve of shortest length connecting two points. If there are no constraints, the solution is obviously a straight line between the points. However, if the curve is constrained to lie on a surface in space, then the solution is less obvious, and possibly many solutions may exist.

Historical Review

- Johann Bernoulli (1696): Raised Brachistochrone curve
- Leonhard Euler (1733) : Elaborate the subject for Brachistochrone curve
- Joseph Louis Lagrange (1811): Euler-Lagrange Equation
- Simeon Poisson (1831): Contributes
- William Rowan Hamilton (1834) : Hamilton's principle

2. Calculus of Variation – Brachistochrone curve

- ❖ In mathematics, a brachistochrone curve, meaning **shortest time**, or curve of fastest descent, is the curve that would carry an idealized point-like body, starting at rest and moving along the curve, without friction, under constant gravity, to a given end point in the shortest time. For a given starting point, the brachistochrone curve is the same as the tautochrone curve.



The curve of fastest descent is not a straight or polygonal line (blue) but a cycloid (red).

2. Calculus of Variation – Variational Operator

- ❖ The first variation of u : δu
- ❖ Consider a function of dependent variable u and its derivative $u'(x)$: $F = F(x, u(x), u'(x))$
- ❖ Consider the change in F for fixed x

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta F &= F(x, u + \delta u, u' + \delta u') - F(x, u, u') \\ &= F + \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} \delta u + \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \delta u' + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial u^2} (\delta u)^2 + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial u \partial u'} (\delta u)(\delta u') + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial u'^2} (\delta u')^2 + \dots - F \\ &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} \delta u + \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \delta u' (+ \dots \text{H.O.T})\end{aligned}$$

- ❖ Comparison between δF and dF

$$\begin{aligned}\delta F &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} \delta u + \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \delta u' \\ dF &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} du + \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} du'\end{aligned}$$

- ❖ δ acts link d with respect to dependent variable (i.e., $u(x)$ and $u'(x)$) when independent variable (i.e., x) is fixed.

2. Calculus of Variation – What is a Functional?

- ❖ **Functional:** Functions of dependent variables, also function of other parameters

$$I(u) = \int_a^b F(x, u, u') dx$$

- ❖ Mathematically, functional $I(u)$ is a mapping from a vector space u into the real number field; operator I mapping u into scalar.

- ❖ First variation of a functional
$$\delta I(u) = \delta \int_a^b F(x, u, u') dx = \int_a^b \delta F dx = \int_a^b \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial u} \delta u + \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \delta u' \right] dx$$

- ❖ A functional $I(u)$ is said to have a minimum at u_0 if and only if $I(u) \geq I(u_0)$

- ❖ From elementary calculus, we know that a differentiable function $f(x)$ has an extremum at a point x_0 only if (necessary condition):
$$\left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0} = 0$$

- ❖ The sufficient condition for maximum:
$$\frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} < 0$$

- ❖ The sufficient condition for minimum:
$$\frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} > 0$$

- ❖ The functional $I(u)$ is said to have a minimum at $u = u_0$ if its first variation $\delta I(u) = 0$ and its second variation $\delta^2 I(u)$ is strongly positive at $u = u_0$.

2. Calculus of Variation – Euler-Lagrange Equations

- ❖ Determine the minimum of the functional $I(u) = \int_a^b F(x, u, u') dx$
- ❖ Subjected to the end conditions $u(a) = u_a, \quad u(b) = u_b$
- ❖ Let $u = u_0 + \delta u$: $\delta u(a) = \delta u(b) = 0$
- ❖ Seek particular function u that makes the integral a minimum

$$0 = \delta I(u) = \int_a^b \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial u} \delta u + \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \delta u' \right] dx = \int_a^b \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial u} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \right) \right] \delta u dx + \underbrace{\left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \delta u \right]_a^b}_{=0}$$

- ❖ Euler-Lagrange Equation $\frac{\partial F}{\partial u} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \right) = 0$ in $a < x < b$
- ❖ Essential Boundary Conditions (Displacement) - Specifying dependent variables:

$$\delta u = 0 \quad (u = \hat{u}) \quad \text{at} \quad x = a, b \quad \text{thus} \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \bigg|_{x=b} \delta u(b) - \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \bigg|_{x=a} \delta u(a) = 0$$

- ❖ Natural Boundary Conditions (Force) - Specifying the coefficients of dependent variables

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad x = a, b$$

2. Calculus of Variation – Euler-Lagrange Equations

- ❖ Either $u(a)$ or $\left. \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \right|_{x=a}$ is specified.
- ❖ Either $u(b)$ or $\left. \frac{\partial F}{\partial u'} \right|_{x=b}$ is specified.

Types of Boundary Value Problems

- ❖ All Essential Boundary Conditions: Dirichlet Boundary Value Problem
- ❖ All Natural Boundary Conditions: Neumann Boundary Value Problem
- ❖ Essential and Natural Boundary Conditions: Mixed Boundary Value Problem

2. Calculus of Variation – Axially-loaded Bar Problem

- ❖ Internal Energy (Strain Energy):

$$W_I = U = \int_0^L \frac{EA}{2} \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2 dx$$

- ❖ External Energy: $W_E = -Pu(L)$

- ❖ Total Work (Functional): $W = W_I + W_E = \int_0^L \frac{EA}{2} \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2 dx - Pu(L) = I(u)$

- ❖ Minimization (first variation of a functional - mathematically or virtual work - physically)

$$\delta I(u) = \delta W = \int_0^L EA \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d\delta u}{dx} dx - P \delta u(L)$$

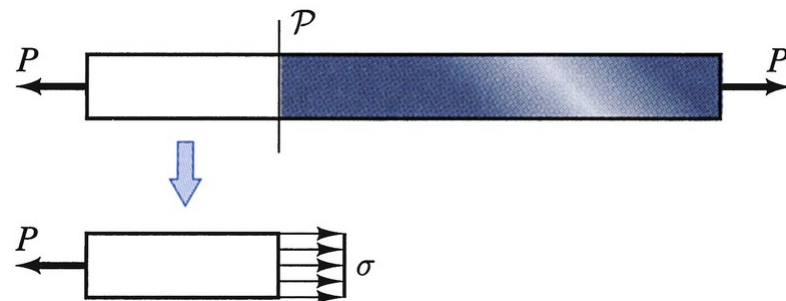
$$0 = - \int_0^L \frac{d}{dx} \left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) \delta u dx + \left[\left(EA \frac{du}{dx} - P \right) \delta u \right]_{x=L} + \left[\left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) \delta u \right]_{x=0}$$

- ❖ Euler Equations $-\frac{d}{dx} \left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) = 0$

- ❖ Boundary Conditions

$$\text{At } x = 0: \quad u = 0 \text{ (EBC)} \rightarrow \delta u = 0 \rightarrow \left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) \delta u = 0$$

$$\text{At } x = L: \quad u = \text{unknown} \rightarrow \delta u = \text{arbitrary} \rightarrow \left(EA \frac{du}{dx} - P \right) \delta u = 0 \rightarrow P = EA \frac{du}{dx} \text{ (NBC)}$$



2. Calculus of Variation – Axial Bar with Spring Problem



- ❖ An elastic bar fixed at the left end, spring supported at the right end, and subjected to distributed load. Total work is

$$\Pi(u) = \int_0^L \left[\frac{EA}{2} \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2 - fu \right] dx + \frac{k}{2} u(L)^2$$

- ❖ The first variation is given by

$$\delta \Pi(u) = \int_0^L \left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d\delta u}{dx} - f \delta u \right) dx + ku(L) \delta u(L)$$

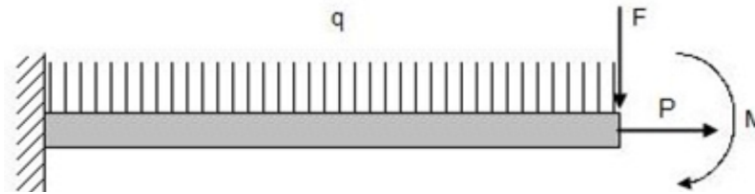
- ❖ **Euler Equation** (after using the integration by parts)

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) - f = 0, \quad 0 < x < L$$

- ❖ Natural Boundary Condition (NBC)

$$EA \frac{du}{dx} + ku(L) = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad x = L$$

2. Calculus of Variation – Cantilever Beam Problem



- ❖ First variation of the functional (refer to page 5)

$$\delta W = \int_0^L \left[N \frac{d\delta u}{dx} + M \left(\frac{-d^2 \delta w}{dx^2} \right) - f \delta u - q \delta w \right] dx - P \delta u(L) - F \delta w(L) = 0$$

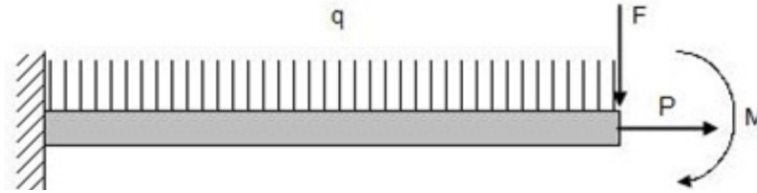
u and w now represent mid-plane displacements.

- ❖ Stress resultants $N = \int_A \sigma_x dA = EA \frac{du}{dx}$; $M = \int_A \sigma_x z dA = -EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2}$

- ❖ Integration by parts

$$\begin{aligned} \delta W &= - \int_0^L \left[\frac{d}{dx} \left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) \delta u + \frac{d}{dx} \left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right) \frac{d\delta w}{dx} + f \delta u + q \delta w \right] dx \\ &\quad + \left[\left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) \delta u \right]_0^L + \left[\left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right) \frac{d\delta w}{dx} \right]_0^L - P \delta u(L) - F \delta w(L) = 0 \\ \delta W &= - \int_0^L \left[\frac{d}{dx} \left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) \delta u - \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right) \delta w + f \delta u + q \delta w \right] dx \\ &\quad + \left[\left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) \delta u + \left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right) \frac{d\delta w}{dx} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right) \delta w \right]_0^L - P \delta u(L) - F \delta w(L) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

2. Calculus of Variation – Cantilever Beam Problem



❖ Euler Equations

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) + f = 0$$

$$-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right) + q = 0$$

❖ Boundary Conditions

At $x = 0$

Either $\left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right)$ or δu

Either $\left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right)$ or $\frac{d\delta w}{dx}$

Either $\frac{d}{dx} \left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right)$ or δw

At $x = L$

Either $\left(EA \frac{du}{dx} \right) - P$ or δu

Either $\left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right)$ or $\frac{d\delta w}{dx}$

Either $\frac{d}{dx} \left(EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} \right) + F$ or δw

3. Hamilton's Principle – Principle of Virtual Displacements

- ❖ A continuous body is in equilibrium if and only if the virtual work of all forces acting on the body is zero in virtual displacement.

$$\delta W = \delta W_I + \delta W_E = 0$$

- ❖ Applicable to any continuous bodies (elastic and inelastic)

$$\int_V \sigma_{ij} \cdot \delta \varepsilon_{ij} dV - \int_V f_i \cdot \delta u_i dV - \int_{S_2} \hat{t}_i \cdot \delta u_i dS = 0$$

- ❖ Divergence theorem $\int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} d\Omega = \oint_{\Gamma} \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{A} ds$

$$\int_V \sigma_{ij} \delta \varepsilon_{ij} dV = \int_V \sigma_{ij} \delta u_{i,j} dV = - \int_V \sigma_{ij,j} \delta u_i dV + \int_V \left(\sigma_{ij} \delta u_i \right)_{,j} dV = - \int_V \sigma_{ij,j} \delta u_i dV + \oint_S n_j \sigma_{ij} \delta u_i dS$$

- ❖ The boundary integral can be expressed as the sum of two integrals, one on S1 (EBC) and the other on S2 (NBC). The integral on S1 is zero.

$$- \int_V \left(\sigma_{ij,j} + f_i \right) \delta u_i dV + \oint_{S_2} \left(n_j \sigma_{ij} - \hat{t}_i \right) \delta u_i dS = 0$$

- ❖ Equilibrium Equations and Stress Boundary Conditions

$$\sigma_{ij,j} + f_i = 0 \quad \text{in } V$$

$$n_j \sigma_{ij} - \hat{t}_i = 0 \quad \text{in } S_2$$

3. Hamilton's Principle – Principle of Virtual Forces

- ❖ The strains and displacements in a deformable body are compatible and consistent with the constraints if and only if the total complementary virtual work is zero

$$\delta W^* = \delta W_I^* + \delta W_E^* = 0$$

- ❖ Applicable to any continuous bodies (elastic and inelastic)

$$\int_V \varepsilon_{ij} \cdot \delta \sigma_{ij} dV - \int_V \delta f_i \cdot u_i dV - \int_{S_1} \delta t_i \cdot \hat{u}_i dS = 0$$

- ❖ Equilibrium Equations and Stress BCs (page 17) $\delta f_i = -\delta \sigma_{ij,j}$; $\delta t_i = n_j \delta \sigma_{ji}$

$$\int_V \varepsilon_{ij} \delta \sigma_{ij} dV + \int_V \delta \sigma_{ij,j} u_i dV - \int_{S_1} \delta \sigma_{ji} n_j \hat{u}_i dS = 0$$

Integration by parts $\Leftrightarrow \int_V \varepsilon_{ij} \delta \sigma_{ij} dV + \int_V \left(\delta \sigma_{ij} u_i \right)_{,j} dV - \int_V \delta \sigma_{ij} u_{i,j} dV - \int_{S_1} \delta \sigma_{ji} n_j \hat{u}_i dS = 0$

Divergence theorem $\Leftrightarrow \int_V \varepsilon_{ij} \delta \sigma_{ij} dV + \int_{S_1} \delta \sigma_{ij} u_i n_j dS - \int_V \delta \sigma_{ij} u_{i,j} dV - \int_{S_1} \delta \sigma_{ji} n_j \hat{u}_i dS = 0$

Symmetry feature $\Leftrightarrow \int_V \left[\varepsilon_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}) \right] \delta \sigma_{ij} dV + \int_{S_1} (u_i - \hat{u}_i) n_j \delta \sigma_{ij} dS = 0$

- ❖ Strain-displacement Equations and Displacement Boundary Conditions

$$\varepsilon_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}) = 0 \quad \text{in } V$$

$$u_i - \hat{u}_i = 0 \quad \text{on } S_1$$

3. Hamilton's Principle – Principle of Potential Energy

Principle of Total Potential Energy

- ❖ A special case of the principle of virtual work that deals with **elastic bodies** is known as the principle of total potential energy.

$$\delta \Pi = \delta U + \delta V = 0$$

with

$$\delta U = \delta W_I, \quad \delta V = \delta W_E$$

Principle of Complementary Potential Energy

- ❖ A special case of the principle of complementary virtual work that deals with elastic bodies is known as the principle of complementary potential energy.

$$\delta \Pi^* = \delta U^* + \delta V^* = 0$$

with

$$\delta U^* = \delta W_I^*, \quad \delta V^* = \delta W_E^*$$

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