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## upcoming schedule

- 23 Nov - Complex Methods
- 25 Nov - Thanksgiving (No Class)
- 30 Nov - Complex Methods
- 2 Dec - Final Exam Review
- 3 Dec - HW 8 Due, HW 7 Self-Grade Due
- 7 Dec - 5:40 - 7:30 Final Exam

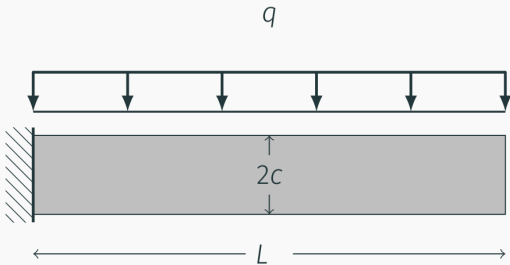
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- group problems, review
- complex variable methods
- research and courses

## group problems

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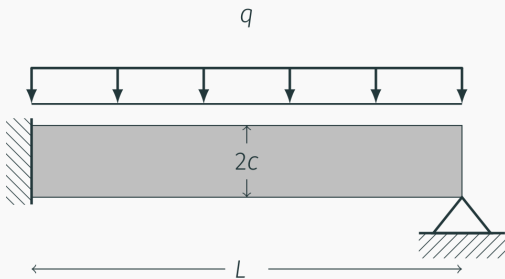
## group 1



**Figure 1:** group 1 airy stress problem

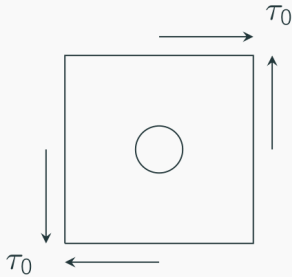
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## group 2



**Figure 2:** group 2 airy stress problem

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**Figure 3:** group 3 airy stress problem

## complex variable methods

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## complex variables

- Complex variables are made up of a real portion and imaginary portion

$$z = x + iy$$

- Polar form is written as

$$z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = re^{i\theta}$$

- We also define the complex conjugate,  $\bar{z}$

$$\bar{z} = x - iy = re^{-i\theta}$$

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## complex variables

- A function of complex variables will also be made up of a real and imaginary portion

$$f(z) = f(x + iy) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$$

- We also define the complex conjugate of the complex function

$$f(\bar{z}) = u(x, y) - iv(x, y)$$

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- We can use complex conjugates to define derivatives of complex functions

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = i \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \right)$$

## complex plane strain

$$\sigma_x = \lambda \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) + 2\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$
$$\sigma_y = \lambda \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) + 2\mu \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$$
$$\tau_{xy} = \mu \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^4 \phi}{\partial z^2 \partial \bar{z}^2} = 0$$

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## complex Airy stress

$$\phi(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{1}{2}(z\gamma(\bar{z}) + \bar{z}\gamma z + \xi(z) + \xi(\bar{z}))$$

$$\phi(z, \bar{z}) = \Re(\bar{z}\gamma(z) + \xi(z))$$

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- It is more convenient to write stresses directly in terms of complex potentials
- These are derived by combining complex Airy stress functions with Navier's equations

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_x + \sigma_y &= 2(\gamma'(z) + \bar{\gamma}'(\bar{z})) \\ \sigma_y - \sigma_x + 2i\tau_{xy} &= 2(\bar{z}\gamma''(z) + \psi'(z))\end{aligned}$$

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## uses for complex variables

- In Elasticity, complex variables are advantageous in many situations
- Conformal mappings - allows a solution for a simple shape to be mapped onto a more complicated shape
- With complex methods we can handle singularities, and quantify the order of a singularity

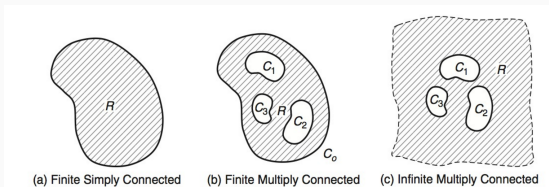
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- Multivalued displacements (dislocations)
- Fracture mechanics
- Westergaard functions (crack analysis)

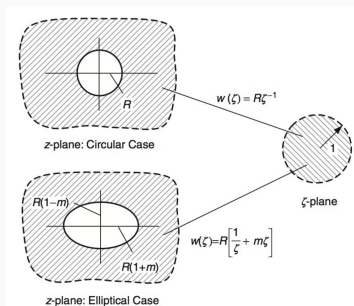
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## multiply connected domains



**Figure 4:** multiply connected domains

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## westergaard stress function

- The Westergaard stress function is convenient for many planar crack problems

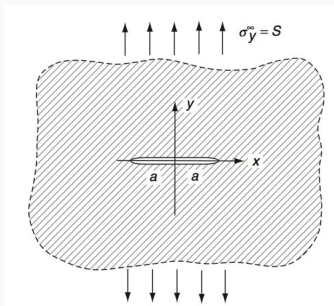
$$\sigma_x = \operatorname{Re}[Z(z)] - y \operatorname{Im}[Z'(z)] - A$$

$$\sigma_y = \operatorname{Re}[Z(z)] + y \operatorname{Im}[Z'(z)] + A$$

$$\tau_{xy} = -y \operatorname{Re}[Z'(z)]$$

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## crack example



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## crack example

- Consider the Westergaard stress function

$$Z(z) = \frac{Sz}{\sqrt{z^2 - a^2}} - \frac{S}{2}$$

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## research and courses

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### continuum mechanics

- AE 831, even years Fall
- A “bigger picture” version of 731
- Develop framework for large deformation
- Solids, fluids, and viscoelastic solids

- When carbon fiber composites are manufactured, there is always a time where both liquids and solids are present
- If the system is under any motion, the fluid influences the fibers and the fibers influence the fluid
- We can use continuum mechanics to model both together and predict where the fibers will be

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## micromechanics and multi-scale modeling

- AE 760AA, even years Spring
- Analytic and computational methods for multi-scale modeling
- Particularly applicable to various forms of composites (3D printed, molded composites, etc.)

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- AE 737 (very applied class, AE 731 not pre-req), AE 837 (theoretical and numerical fracture mechanics methods, AE 731 is a pre-req)
- Research applications: characterize interlaminar fracture toughness, fatigue of aerospace structures, etc.