## 4C9 Continuum Mechanics Crib

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1. (a) i. The tank is open-ended, so there will be no longitudinal stress,  $\sigma_{22}$ . Because it is thin-walled, it can be assumed to be in a state of plane stress, so there will be no through-thickness stress,  $\sigma_{33}$ , or out-of plane shear  $\sigma_{23}$  or  $\sigma_{13}$ . The only loading is internal pressure, so there will be no in-plane shear,  $\sigma_{12}$ . The pressure is balanced by the hoop stress  $\sigma_{11}$  only.

The elastic strain energy per unit volume at any point in the wall

$$U = \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{ij}\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{11}\varepsilon_{11} = \frac{1}{2}E\varepsilon_{11}^2$$

using the constitutive model. The total elastic strain in the wall is therefore

$$\int_{V} U \, dV = \int_{0}^{H} \frac{1}{2} E \varepsilon_{11}^2 \, 2\pi R w \, dz$$

noting that  $\varepsilon_{11}(z)$  varies with position.

ii. We are using the method of minimum potential energy to derive an expression for the hoop strain, so we can use  $\varepsilon_{11}(z)$  as the kinematic variable; there is no need to work in terms of displacements. The variation in potential energy:

$$\delta \Pi = \int_{V} \delta U \, dV - \int_{S} t_{i}^{e} \delta u_{i} \, dS$$
$$= \int_{0}^{H} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon_{11}} \left(\frac{1}{2} E \varepsilon_{11}^{2}\right) \delta \varepsilon_{11} \, 2\pi R w \, dz - \int_{0}^{H} \rho g (H - z) \delta R \, 2\pi R \, dz$$

Noting that  $\delta R = R \delta \varepsilon_{11}$  this reduces to

$$\delta \Pi = \int_{0}^{H} \left[ E \varepsilon_{11} w - \rho g (H - z) R \right] \delta \varepsilon_{11} 2\pi R \ dz$$

For  $\delta \Pi = 0$  for any  $\delta \varepsilon_{11}$ , then

$$\varepsilon_{11} = \frac{\rho g (H-z) R}{E w}$$

Note that, applying the constitutive model, this recovers the familiar equilibrium relationship for the hoop stress in a thin walled cylinder:  $\sigma_{11} = \rho g(H-z)R/w$ 

(b) i. The uniaxial response of the material is given by the relationship

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = \frac{\dot{\sigma}}{E} + \frac{\sigma}{\eta}$$

Relaxation modulus  $E_r(t)$ : consider a step in strain of magnitude  $\varepsilon_0$ .

$$t = 0 \quad \dot{\varepsilon} >> \varepsilon \quad \dot{\varepsilon}0 = \frac{\dot{\sigma}}{E} \quad \therefore \varepsilon = \frac{\sigma}{E} , \quad \sigma(0) = E\varepsilon_0$$
$$t > 0 \quad \dot{\varepsilon} = 0 \quad \frac{\dot{\sigma}}{E} + \frac{\sigma}{\eta} = 0 \quad \therefore \sigma = (E\varepsilon_0) \exp\left(-\frac{Et}{\eta}\right)$$
$$E_r(t) = \frac{\sigma(t)}{\varepsilon_0} = E \exp\left(-\frac{Et}{\eta}\right)$$

Creep compliance  $J_c(t)$ : consider a step in stress of magnitude  $\sigma_0$ .

$$t = 0 \quad \dot{\sigma} \gg \sigma \quad \dot{\varepsilon} = \frac{\dot{\sigma}}{E} \quad \therefore \varepsilon = \frac{\sigma}{E} , \quad \varepsilon(0) = \frac{\sigma_0}{E}$$
$$t > 0 \quad \dot{\sigma} = 0 \quad \dot{\varepsilon} = \frac{\sigma_0}{\eta} \quad \therefore \varepsilon = \frac{\sigma_0 t}{\eta} + \frac{\sigma_0}{E}$$
$$J_c(t) = \frac{\varepsilon(t)}{\sigma_0} = \frac{t}{\eta} + \frac{1}{E}$$

ii. The tank is filled with water at a constant rate  $\dot{H}$ , such that  $H = \dot{H}t$ . The constitutive model gives the hoop strain rate (all other stress components are zero):

$$\varepsilon_{11}(t) = \int_{0}^{t} J_{c}(t-\tau) \frac{\partial \sigma_{11}(\tau)}{\partial \tau} d\tau$$

At a given height z the hoop stress, deduced from part (a) or otherwise, will be

$$t < z/\dot{H}: \quad \sigma_{11} = 0$$
  
$$t \ge z/\dot{H}: \quad \sigma_{11} = \frac{\rho g(\dot{H}t - z)R}{w}$$

Substituting for the creep compliance and the hoop stress into the constitutive equation:

$$\begin{split} t < z/\dot{H} : \quad \varepsilon_{11}(t) &= 0 \\ t \ge z/\dot{H} : \quad \varepsilon_{11}(t) = \int_{z/\dot{H}}^{t} \left(\frac{t-\tau}{\eta} + \frac{1}{E}\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \left(\frac{\rho g(\dot{H}\tau - z)R}{w}\right) d\tau \\ &= \int_{z/\dot{H}}^{t} \left(\frac{t-\tau}{\eta} + \frac{1}{E}\right) \frac{\rho g \dot{H}R}{w} d\tau \\ &= \left[ \left(\frac{t\tau}{\eta} - \frac{\tau^2}{2\eta} + \frac{\tau}{E}\right) \frac{\rho g \dot{H}R}{w} \right]_{z/\dot{H}}^{t} \\ &= \left[ \left(\frac{t^2}{2\eta} + \frac{t}{E}\right) - \left(\frac{tz}{\dot{H}\eta} - \frac{z^2}{2\eta \dot{H}^2} + \frac{z}{E\dot{H}}\right) \right] \frac{\rho g \dot{H}R}{w} \end{split}$$

Rate of change of the radius  $(t \ge z/\dot{H})$ :

$$\dot{R} = \dot{\varepsilon}_{11}R = \left[\frac{t}{\eta} + \frac{1}{E} - \frac{z}{\dot{H}\eta}\right]\frac{\rho g \dot{H}R^2}{w}$$

From the constitutive model  $\varepsilon_{33} = -\nu \varepsilon_{11}$ , where  $\nu$  is time independent, so

$$\dot{w} = \dot{\varepsilon}_{33}w = -\nu\dot{\varepsilon}_{11}w = -\nu\left[\frac{t}{\eta} + \frac{1}{E} - \frac{z}{\dot{H}\eta}\right]\rho g\dot{H}R$$

2. (a) The principle of virtual work

$$\int_{V} \sigma_{ij} \delta \varepsilon_{ij} \, dV - \int_{S} t_{i}^{e} \delta u_{i} \, dS - \int_{V} b_{i} \delta u_{i} \, dV = 0$$

Using  $\delta \varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\delta u_{i,j} + \delta u_{j,i})$ , and the symmetry of the stress tensor:

$$\int_{V} \sigma_{ij} \delta u_{i,j} \, dV - \int_{S} t_{i}^{e} \delta u_{i} \, dS - \int_{V} b_{i} \delta u_{i} \, dV = 0$$

Using  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\sigma_{ij}\delta u_i) = \sigma_{ij}\delta u_{i,j} + \sigma_{ij,j}\delta u_i$  gives:

$$\int_{V} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} (\sigma_{ij} \delta u_{i}) \, dV - \int_{V} \sigma_{ij,j} \delta u_{i} \, dV - \int_{S} t_{i}^{e} \delta u_{i} \, dS - \int_{V} b_{i} \delta u_{i} \, dV = 0$$

Applying the divergence theorem:

$$\int_{S} (\sigma_{ij} \delta u_i) n_j \, dS - \int_{V} \sigma_{ij,j} \delta u_i \, dV - \int_{S} t_i^e \delta u_i \, dS - \int_{V} b_i \delta u_i \, dV = 0$$

For this to hold for any  $\delta u_i$  requires  $\sigma_{ij,j} + b_i = 0$  within V and  $t_i^e = \sigma_{ij}n_j$  across S. (b) The balance of moments on the body:

$$\int_{S} \mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{t}^{\mathbf{e}} \, dS + \int_{V} \mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{b} \, dV = 0$$

or in indicial notation (using  $t_i^e = \sigma_{ij}n_j$ ):

$$\int_{S} e_{ijk} x_j \sigma_{kp} n_p \, dS + \int_{V} e_{ijk} x_j \, b_k \, dV = 0$$

Applying the divergence theorem:

$$\int_{V} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{p}} (e_{ijk} x_{j} \sigma_{kp}) dV + \int_{V} e_{ijk} x_{j} b_{k} dV = 0$$
$$\therefore e_{ijk} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{p}} (x_{j} \sigma_{kp}) + x_{j} b_{k} \right] = 0$$
$$\therefore e_{ijk} \left[ x_{j} \left( \frac{\partial \sigma_{kp}}{\partial x_{p}} + b_{k} \right) + \sigma_{kj} \right] = 0$$

Using the equilibrium equation  $\sigma_{ij,j} + b_i = 0$ :

$$e_{ijk}\sigma_{kj}=0$$

Expanding, and using the fact that  $e_{ijk} = -e_{ikj}$ , leads to  $\sigma_{kj} = \sigma_{jk}$ .

i. Consider the SVD  $B = W\Sigma Z^T$ , which exists for all tensors B. With  $B = W\Sigma Z^T = WZ^T Z\Sigma Z^T$ , if B = RU we have  $R = WZ^T$  and U =

With  $B = W \Sigma Z^{T} = W Z^{T} Z \Sigma Z^{T}$ , if B = RU we have  $R = W Z^{T}$  and  $U = Z \Sigma Z^{T}$ . R is by definition orthogonal. Since the entries of  $\Sigma$  are non-negative, U is symmetric positive-semidefinite.

For  $B = VR = W\Sigma W^T WZ^T$ , we have  $V = W\Sigma W^T$  (SPD) and  $R = WZ^T$  (as before).

If det  $B \neq 0$ ,  $\Sigma$  entries are strictly positive, hence U and V are SPD and det U, det V > 0. This leave det $(RU) = \det R \det U > 0$ , therefore det R = 1 (proper orthogonal).

- ii. Due to the existence of the preceding decomposition  $F^T F = UR^T RU = U^2$ and  $FF^T = VRR^T V = V^2$ . This shows that  $F^T F$  and  $FF^T$  are suitable strain measures in that they are unaffected by rigid body rotations.
- iii. For dx = RUdX, this gives a stretch of the incremental vector dX in the directions of the eigenvalues of U, scaled by the corresponding eigenvalues. follow by a rotation R into the spatial configuration.

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3. (a) i.

$$F := \nabla_X \phi = \begin{bmatrix} p & & \\ & q & \\ & & r \end{bmatrix}$$

To be admissible, we require that det F > 0, therefore it is required that pqr > 0. ii.

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \beta t^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

det F = 1, therefore volume is preserved.

- (b) i. Time-dependent rigid body motion.
  - ii. Since R is a rotation,  $R^{-1} = R^T$ , and

$$X = R^T(\phi - c) = R^T(x - c)$$

iii.  $V(X,t) = \dot{\phi} = \dot{R}X + \dot{c}$  and  $v(x,t) = V(X,t)|_{X=\phi^{-1}(x,t)}$ . Inserting expression for X in terms of x,

$$v = \dot{R}R^T(x - c) + \dot{c}$$

(c) i. F = RU,  $\dot{F} = \dot{R}U + R\dot{U}$ . For a rigid body motion the stretch tensor is the identity, U = I and therefore  $\dot{F} = \dot{R}$ . Consider  $PF^TF^{-T}$ :  $\dot{F} = PR^TR$ :  $\dot{R}$ . Re-arranging (use index notation),  $PR^T$ :  $\dot{R}R^T$ . Since  $RR^T = I$ ,

$$\overline{RR^T} = \dot{R}R^T + R\dot{R}^T = 0.$$

Hence  $\dot{R}^T R = -R^T \dot{R}$ , i.e.  $\dot{R}^T R$  is skew-symmetric. By symmetry of  $PR^T$  (use hint) and skew-symmetry of  $\dot{R}^T R$  the stress power is zero.

ii.  $\dot{F} = \dot{R}U + R\dot{U}$ , hence stress power is

$$P: \dot{F} = P: (\dot{R}U + R\dot{U}).$$
$$P: (\dot{R}U + R\dot{U}) = P: (\dot{R}U) + P: (R\dot{U})$$

Considering the second term:

$$P: (R\dot{U}) = (R^T P): \dot{U}$$

(by index manipulations). Considering the first term and using  $R^T R = I$ :

$$P : (\dot{R}U) = P : (\dot{R}R^T RU)$$
$$= P : (\dot{R}R^T F)$$
$$= (PF^T) : (\dot{R}R^T)$$

The contraction of a symmetric tensor  $(PF^T \text{ here})$  and a skew-symmetric tensor  $(\dot{R}R^T)$  is zero. Therefore  $R^TP$  is the stress measure that is conjugate to U. Since U is symmetric, we could define a symmetric stress tensor  $1/2(R^TP + P^TR)$ .