

ENGINEERING TRIPOS

PART IIB

Monday 6 May 2013

9.30 to 11.00

Module 4C9

CONTINUUM MECHANICS

Answer not more than two questions.

All questions carry the same number of marks.

*The **approximate** percentage of marks allocated to each part of a question is indicated in the right margin.*

Attachment:

4C9 datasheet (6 pages).

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

Single-sided script paper

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Engineering Data Book

CUED approved calculator allowed

**You may not start to read the questions
printed on the subsequent pages of this
question paper until instructed that you may
do so by the Invigilator**

1 The Kronecker delta is denoted by the symbol δ_{ij} .

(a) By direct expansion or otherwise evaluate/simplify the following

(i) $\delta_{ij}\delta_{ik}\delta_{jk}$; [10%]

(ii) $\delta_{ij}\delta_{ij}$; and [10%]

(iii) $\delta_{ij}\delta_{jk}$. [10%]

(b) (i) Show that the quadratic form $D_{ij}x_ix_j$ is unchanged if D_{ij} is replaced by its symmetric part. [25%]

(ii) Show that $D_{ij}x_ix_j = 0$ when D_{ij} is skew-symmetric, i.e. $D_{ij} = -D_{ji}$. [30%]

(c) A deformation field is specified by the displacements $u_1 = 4x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3$, $u_2 = x_1 + 7x_2$ and $u_3 = -3x_1 + 4x_2 + 4x_3$ in the x_1 , x_2 and x_3 directions, respectively. Calculate the strain field ε_{ij} and also the principal strains. [15%]

2 (a) Consider a scalar function $\phi(r, \theta) = Ar^2\theta^m$ in polar co-ordinates (r, θ) as sketched in Fig. 1 (A and m are constants). Find all values of the constant m such that ϕ is an Airy stress function for a planar problem in elasticity. [20%]

(b) For a semi-infinite plate in the region $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$ determine the tractions along the edges $\theta = 0$ and $\theta = \pi$ as given by the Airy stress function $\phi = Ar^2\theta$. Hence also find expressions for the stress field $(\sigma_{xx}, \sigma_{yy}, \sigma_{xy})$ in terms of the Cartesian co-ordinates (x, y) shown in Fig. 1. [40%]

(c) Using the above Airy stress function or otherwise solve for the shear stress σ_{xy} due to a normal uniform pressure p applied on the edge $y=0$ in a band $-a \leq x \leq a$. Hence also determine the distribution of σ_{xy} on the plane $y = a$. [40%]

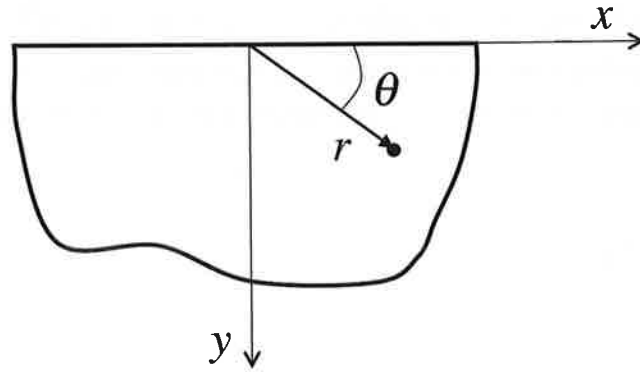


Fig. 1

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3 (a) What assumptions are needed for Drucker's postulate to be valid? Why are the postulates important for the development of modern plasticity theory? [20%]

(b) For a metallic material satisfying the von Mises yield criterion, show that $\dot{J}_2 = s_{ij} \dot{\sigma}_{ij}$ where σ_{ij} is the stress tensor, $J_2 = 0.5 s_{ij} s_{ij}$ is the second invariant of the deviatoric stress s_{ij} and the overdot indicates the time derivative of the respective variable. [30%]

(c) A metallic solid has a Young's modulus E , an initial uniaxial yield strength σ_Y , and a post-yield tangent modulus E_t such that it obeys the following bilinear uniaxial stress σ versus strain ε relation,

$$\varepsilon = \begin{cases} \sigma / E & \text{for } 0 < \sigma < \sigma_Y \\ \sigma_Y / E + [(\sigma - \sigma_Y) / E_t] & \text{for } \sigma \geq \sigma_Y \end{cases}$$

This material is loaded such that σ_{12} is held fixed at a value $\sigma_Y / \sqrt{3}$ and σ_{11} increased gradually. Assuming that all other stress components equal zero derive an explicit formula for the strain component ε_{11} as a function of σ_{11} on the basis of J_2 flow theory. [50%]

Hint: $\int (1+x^2)^{-1} dx = \tan^{-1} x$

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