

Unified Engineering Problem Set 1

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SOLUTIONS

u1 (u2.1) (a) There are three key sets of equations:

• Equilibrium Equations  $\left[ \frac{\partial \sigma_{mn}}{\partial x_n} + f_m = 0 \right]$

gives 3 equations:

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{11}}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{12}}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{13}}{\partial x_3} + f_1 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{21}}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{22}}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{23}}{\partial x_3} + f_2 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{31}}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{32}}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{33}}{\partial x_3} + f_3 = 0$$

→ These are based on the fundamental  
of equilibrium

• Strain - Displacement

$$\left[ \epsilon_{mn} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_n} + \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial x_m} \right) \right]$$

gives 6 equations:

$$\epsilon_{11} = \partial u_1 / \partial x_1$$

$$\epsilon_{22} = \partial u_2 / \partial x_2$$

$$\epsilon_{33} = \partial u_3 / \partial x_3$$

$$\epsilon_{21} = \epsilon_{12} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_1} \right)$$

$$\epsilon_{31} = \epsilon_{13} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_3} + \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x_1} \right)$$

$$\epsilon_{32} = \epsilon_{23} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_3} + \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x_2} \right)$$

→ These are based on geometrical relationships

→ These have the key assumption that strains are small such that angular changes are small. This can be measured/expressed as:  $\cos \theta \approx 1$ ;  $\sin \theta \approx \theta$

• Stress - Strain  $[\sigma_{mn} = E_{mnpq} \epsilon_{pq}]$

gives 6 equations:

$$\sigma_{11} = E_{1111} \epsilon_{11} + E_{1122} \epsilon_{22} + E_{1133} \epsilon_{33} \\ + 2E_{1123} \epsilon_{23} + 2E_{1113} \epsilon_{13} + 2E_{1112} \epsilon_{12}$$

$$\sigma_{22} = E_{1122} \epsilon_{11} + E_{2222} \epsilon_{22} + E_{2233} \epsilon_{33} \\ + 2E_{2223} \epsilon_{23} + 2E_{2213} \epsilon_{13} + 2E_{2212} \epsilon_{12}$$

$$\sigma_{33} = E_{1133} \epsilon_{11} + E_{2233} \epsilon_{22} + E_{3333} \epsilon_{33} \\ + 2E_{3323} \epsilon_{23} + 2E_{3313} \epsilon_{13} + 2E_{3312} \epsilon_{12}$$

$$\sigma_{23} = E_{1123} \epsilon_{11} + E_{2223} \epsilon_{22} + E_{3323} \epsilon_{33} \\ + 2E_{2323} \epsilon_{23} + 2E_{1323} \epsilon_{13} + 2E_{1223} \epsilon_{12}$$

$$\sigma_{13} = E_{1113} \epsilon_{11} + E_{2213} \epsilon_{22} + E_{3313} \epsilon_{33} \\ + 2E_{2313} \epsilon_{23} + 2E_{1313} \epsilon_{13} + 2E_{1213} \epsilon_{12}$$

$$\sigma_{12} = E_{1112} \epsilon_{11} + E_{2212} \epsilon_{22} + E_{3312} \epsilon_{33} \\ + 2E_{2312} \epsilon_{23} + 2E_{1312} \epsilon_{13} + 2E_{1212} \epsilon_{12}$$

→ These are based only on linear relationship between stress and strain, and they are constitutive

(b) Compatibility equations come from geometrical restrictions as manifested in the strain-displacement equations. Displacements must be continuous functions of the defined space ( $x_1, x_2,$  and  $x_3$ ) as the material body is continuous. This, with three such functions, the six strains cannot be independent as they derive from three independent functions. The compatibility equations relate the strain fields to be compatible with the continuity of the displacements.

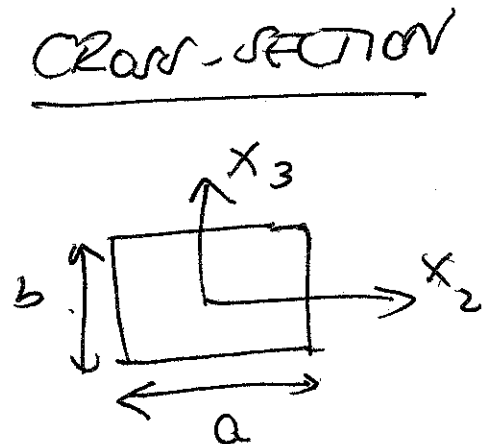
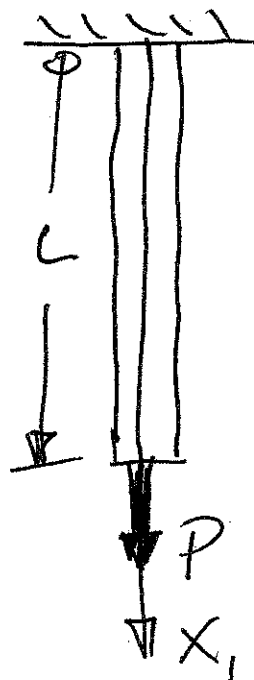
There are 3 independent displacement functions and 6 strain-displacement relations. Thus, there must be  $(6-3=)3$  compatibility conditions. They are derived by using the strain-displacement equations, taking "cross" derivatives and equating these.

→ These equations express geometrical restrictions

(c) In using engineering notation equations, the form of the equations change (e.g.  $\sigma_x$  rather than  $\sigma_{xx}$ ), but the underlying fundamentals and associated assumptions stay the same and the equations represent the same thing. Only the notation changes.

→ One key change due to definition is that engineering shear strain is 2 times tensile shear strain, so this factor of 2 must be incorporated in all equations with engineering shear strain.

M2 (M2-2)



→ ignore mass of rod for this problem

(a) Boundary Conditions

①  $x_1 = 0$ , rod is fixed to overhead support  
 $\Rightarrow$  displacements are zero

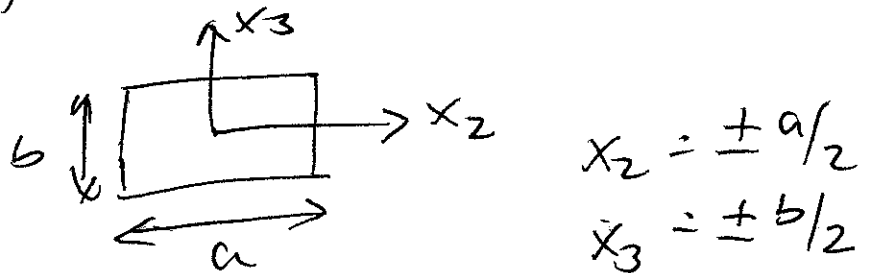
①  $x_1 = 0 : u_1, u_2, u_3 = 0$

②  $x_1 = L$ , overall force of  $P$  is applied  
 over area  $= A = ab$

So:  $\sigma_{11} = P/A = \frac{P}{ab}$     ②  $x_1 = L$   
 $\sigma_{13}, \sigma_{12} = 0$

(NOTE: Must include direction of applied load in all considerations. Thus +/- is incorporated into "P" to be included in applying value depending upon whether applied load is tensile (+) or compressive (-).)

→ Along all other surfaces, all stresses on surfaces are zero. Boundary surface is at:



So:

ⓐ  $x_2 = \pm a/2$       $x_3 = \pm b/2$

$\sigma_{22}, \sigma_{33}, \sigma_{23} = 0$

(b) In neglecting the mass of the rod  
 ⇒ no body forces. The only nonzero stress is  $\sigma_{11}$ , so applying the equilibrium equations gives:

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{11}}{\partial x_1} + f_1 = 0$$

integrating this gives:

$$\sigma_{11} = \text{constant}$$

Apply the B.C.: @  $x_1 = L$ :  $\sigma_{11} = \frac{P}{ab}$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sigma_{11} = \frac{P}{ab} \text{ throughout}}$$

all other stresses are zero everywhere

→ To determine the strains use the stress-strain relations. For an isotropic material, need the longitudinal (Young's) modulus,  $E$ , and the Poisson's ratio,  $\nu$ .

With  $\sigma_{11}$  the only non-zero stress:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{12} = \epsilon_{13} = \epsilon_{23} = 0} \quad (\text{no shear strains})$$

and:  $\epsilon_{11} = \sigma_{11} / E$

$$\epsilon_{22} = -\nu / E \sigma_{11}$$

$$\epsilon_{33} = -\nu / E \sigma_{11}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{11} &= \frac{P}{Eab} \\ \epsilon_{22} = \epsilon_{33} &= -\frac{\nu P}{Eab} \end{aligned} \text{ throughout}}$$



(c) To find the displacements, apply the strain-displacement relations. The only primary consideration is  $\epsilon_{11}$ , so use:

$$\epsilon_{11} = \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_1} = \frac{P}{Eab}$$

integrating gives:

$$u_1 = \frac{P}{Eab} x_1 + C$$

← constant of integration since no variation in  $x_2$  and  $x_3$

To find the constant, apply the B.C.:

$$\text{@ } x_1 = 0, u_1 = 0 \Rightarrow C = 0$$

This results in:

$$u_1 = \frac{P}{Eab} x_1$$

→ By definition of the model,  $u_2$  and  $u_3$  are 0. However, note the slight inconsistency since  $\epsilon_{22}$  and  $\epsilon_{33}$  are non-zero. Use:

$$\epsilon_{22} = \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_2}, \quad \epsilon_{33} = \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x_3}$$

and integrating gives:

$$u_2 = -\frac{\nu P}{Eab} x_2 + C_2$$

$$u_3 = -\frac{\nu P}{Eab} x_3 + C_3$$

Define the midpoint of the cross-section as the point of zero displacement (NOTE: can define any point as the point of reference) to give  $C_2 = 0$ ,  $C_3 = 0$

and thus:

$$u_2 = -\frac{\nu P}{E_{ab}} x_2$$

$$u_3 = -\frac{\nu P}{E_{ab}} x_3$$

$\nu_s = 0$   
by model

(d) There are always inconsistencies in the model with regard to the  $u_2$  and  $u_3$  displacements. This is built into the model. One must use the St. Venant's Principle in the vicinity of the attachment to the support. "Away" from this region, the model is valid. "Near" the region,  $\sigma_{xx}$  may vary with  $x_2$  and  $x_3$  and other stresses may be present.

This will also be affected by the "part" of the problem being considered, as the variability of the primary parameters in  $x_1$  changes and this will relate to the importance of the inconsistencies (quantitatively). However, the way to address these do not change.

(e) This is simply an extension of the model to allow area to vary with  $x_1$ . In the general case, we replace the constant area ( $A = ab$ ) with a general functional relationship in  $x_1$ :

$$A = A(x_1)$$

We have some particular restrictions here:

$$\frac{a}{b} = 2 \Rightarrow b = \frac{a}{2}$$

and  $A(x_1 = L) = 2A(x_1 = 0)$

→ However, the key lies in the functional relationship of area to  $x_1$ :  $A(x_1)$ .

Use this in the equations developed herein.

For the stress:

$$\sigma_{11} = \frac{P}{A(x_1)}$$

⇒  $\sigma_{11}$  varies with  $x_1$

Similarly:

$$\epsilon_{11} = \frac{P}{EA(x_1)} \Rightarrow \epsilon_{11} \text{ varies with } x_1$$

as do  $\epsilon_{22}$  and  $\epsilon_{33}$ :

$$\epsilon_{22} = \epsilon_{33} = \frac{\nu P}{EA(x_1)}$$

The expression for the displacement  $u_1$  becomes more involved:

$$u_1 = \int \epsilon_{11} dx_1 = \int \frac{P}{EA(x_1)} dx_1$$

So an expression for  $A(x_1)$  is needed to be specific. However, that is not necessary to explain this generically.

Similarly,  $u_2$  and  $u_3$  vary with  $x_1$ . This may make the inconsistencies more important as this depends upon the rate that the area varies with  $x_1$ :  $\partial A / \partial x_1$ , as area controls all the results with it being in the denominator for all the key items.

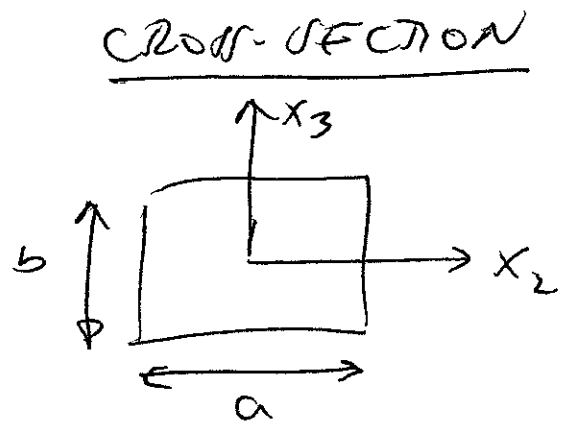
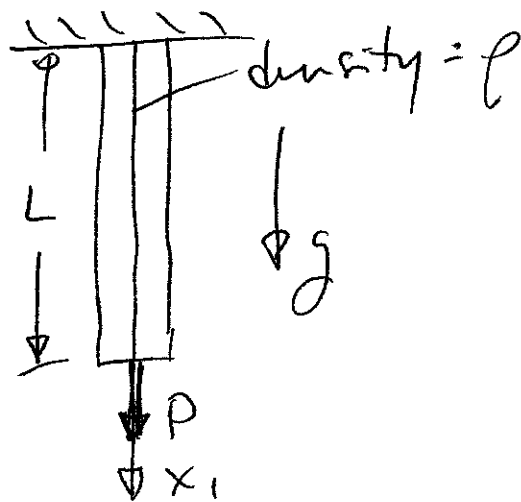
→ Finally, also note that if  $\sigma_{11}$  is a function of  $x_1$ , then  $\partial \sigma_{11} / \partial x_1$  is non-zero. The first stress equilibrium equation is:

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{11}}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{12}}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{13}}{\partial x_3} = 0$$

Since the first term is non-zero, one or both other terms must exist to satisfy equilibrium.  $\sigma_{12}$  and/or  $\sigma_{13}$  exist! ⇒ the model further falls apart

→ So the model extension can be used but is less applicable and must be more carefully checked for consistency, etc

M3 (M2.3)



→ Now include the effects of the mass of the rod

(a) The Boundary Conditions do not change if the body force is taken into account. The body force,  $f_i$ , is internal and does not contribute to the surface/boundary conditions.  
So repeat:

① @  $x_1 = 0$ :  $u_1, u_2, u_3 = 0$

② @  $x_1 = L$ :  $\sigma_{11} = P/ob, \sigma_{12}, \sigma_{13} = 0$

③ all surfaces of

$x_2 = \pm a/2$ :  $\sigma_{22}, \sigma_{23} = 0$

$x_3 = \pm b/2$ :  $\sigma_{33}, \sigma_{23} = 0$

(b) we must now include the body force:

$$f_1 = \frac{\rho g \text{ Volume}}{\text{Volume}}$$

in the equilibrium equation, so:

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{11}}{\partial x_1} + \rho g = 0$$

Integrating this gives:

$$\sigma_{11} = -\rho g x_1 + C$$

Again, apply the B.C.: @  $x_1 = L$ ,  $\sigma_{11} = \frac{P}{ab}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P}{ab} = -\rho g L + C$$

$$\text{giving: } C = \frac{P}{ab} + \rho g L$$

This results in:

$$\boxed{\sigma_{11} = \frac{P}{ab} + \underbrace{\rho g (L - x_1)}_{\text{new term}}}$$

→ The strains are related through the same equations as in the previous case (basic stress-strain equations do not change). This gives:

$$\epsilon_{11} = \frac{P}{Eab} + \frac{\rho g}{E} (L - x_1)$$

$$\epsilon_{22} = \epsilon_{33} = -\frac{\nu P}{Eab} - \frac{\nu \rho g}{E} (L - x_1)$$

new  
term

and all shear strains ( $\epsilon_{12}, \epsilon_{13}, \epsilon_{23}$ ) continue to be zero.

(c) The displacement becomes more complicated as  $\epsilon_{11}$  is a function of  $x_1$ . So:

$$u_1 = \int \left\{ \frac{P}{Eab} + \frac{\rho g}{E} (L - x_1) \right\} dx_1$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1 = \frac{P}{Eab} x_1 + \frac{\rho g}{E} L x_1 - \frac{\rho g}{2E} x_1^2 + C_1$$

Again, the B.C. of  $u_1 = 0$  @  $x_1 = 0$  gives:

$$C_1 = 0$$

yielding:

$$u_1 = \frac{P}{Eab} x_1 + \frac{\rho g x_1}{E} \left( L - \frac{x_1}{2} \right)$$

new  
term

Again, the model says  $u_2$  and  $u_3$  are zero, though there is slight inconsistency since  $\epsilon_{22}$  and  $\epsilon_{33}$  are non-zero.

Integration through  $\epsilon_{22} = \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_2}$  and  $\epsilon_{33} = \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x_3}$  yields:

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= -\frac{\nu P}{Eab} x_2 - \underbrace{\frac{\nu \rho g}{E} (L-x_1) x_2}_{\text{new term}} + C_2 \\ u_3 &= -\frac{\nu P}{Eab} x_3 - \underbrace{\frac{\nu \rho g}{E} (L-x_1) x_3}_{\text{new term}} + C_3 \end{aligned}$$

Again,  $C_2 = C_3 = 0$  by placing the point of reference at the midpoint of the cross-section.

(d) The same inconsistencies exist as in the previous case. However, their importance may be affected by the additional term and therefore the applicability of the model may be affected. This will depend on the specific values of the various parameters.

(e) For all the key variables, there are two contributions: one from the tip load (proportional to  $P/ab$ ) [NOTE: same as in the previous problem], and a new term due to the density of the rod (proportional to  $\rho g(L-x_1)$ ).



Thus, the mass of the rod becomes important when it is of similar magnitude as that of the tip load divided by the area. To do a rough comparison, one can look at the maximum value for the rod contribution and compare it to the other for the applied tip load:

$$\boxed{\rho g L \text{ vs. } \frac{P}{a_s}}$$

[NOTE: check consistency of units:

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \frac{M}{L^3} \right] \cdot \left[ \frac{L}{T^2} \right] \cdot [L] & \text{ vs. } \left[ \frac{\overset{\text{Force}}{M \cdot L}}{T^2} \right] \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{L^2} \right] \\ & = \left[ \frac{M}{L \cdot T^2} \right] \text{ vs. } \left[ \frac{M}{L \cdot T^2} \right] \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

→ Comparing these two terms allows one to ascertain % contribution of the rod mass and thus do a quantitative comparison.

→ The direction of the tip load determines whether the stress due to the rod mass

will alleviate ( $P$  is compressive) or add to ( $P$  is tensile) the stress and the associated items.

(f) To design the rod to be a "structural fuse" at the overhead attachment, the maximum stress magnitude must occur at this point and it must be designed to reach  $\sigma_{\text{net}}$  (+ or -) for the desired load,  $P_{\text{fuse}}$ .

This is not just making a change in cross-sectional area that allows the model to still be applied (as discussed in (e) of the previous problem) and making this the point of minimum area, but this must be done in such a way as to maximize the magnitude of  $\sigma_{11}$ . This is due to the fact that the stress due to the mass of the rod can act opposite to the stress due to the applied load if that load is compressive.

→ Nevertheless, applying the equations as developed herein and finding an area that maximizes the stress at this point will yield the desired result.

→ the operational equation is:

$$\sigma_{11} = \frac{P}{ab} + \rho g(L - x_1)$$

to determine where the stress is maximum, look at the two ends (since it varies linearly)

$$\textcircled{a} \quad x_1 = L : \sigma_{11} = \frac{P}{ab}$$

$$\textcircled{b} \quad x_1 = 0 : \sigma_{11} = \frac{P}{ab} + \rho gL$$

Consider the 2 cases of tensile and compressive tip load:

→  $P > 0 \Rightarrow$  maximum stress always at  $x_1 = 0$ .

Thus, failure occurs there. Make a slight decrease in area to promote that.

→  $P < 0 \Rightarrow$  now alleviate the stress due to the tip load. Thus, need an extra increase of area at  $x_1 = 0$  to get stress maximum here.

change  $(ab)$  @  $x_1 = 0$  so that:

$$\sigma_{11}(x_1=0) = \frac{-|P|}{(ab)_{\text{local}}} + \rho gL < \underbrace{\frac{-|P|}{ab}}_{\text{max value of stress without area changed}}$$

max value of stress without area changed

NOTE: This would change if the mass of the rod were to double the stress from the tip load and again the maximums occur at  $x_1 = 0$  without a change in area:

$$\sigma_{11} = \frac{-|P|}{A} + \underbrace{\rho g L}_{\text{double other factor}}$$