# Block 4:

# Structural Behavior of Slender Members (1-D)

## OVERALL OBJECTIVES FOR BLOCK M4

Through participation in the lectures, recitations, and work associated with Block M4, it is intended that you will be able to.......

- ....describe the key aspects composing the model of the one-dimensional structures of a rod, a beam, a shaft, and a column
- ....identify the limitations associated with these models
- ...apply the basic equations of elasticity to derive the solutions for the general cases of various onedimensional structures
- ....apply these models to examine the behavior of various structural configurations

# Unit M4.1 Summary of Equations of Elasticity

Readings:

**CDL 5.6** 

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# LEARNING OBJECTIVES FOR UNIT M4.1

Through participation in the lectures, recitations, and work associated with Unit M4.1, it is intended that you will be able to.......

- ....summarize the governing equations of elasticity and explain the fundamental concepts upon which they are based and that they represent
- ....describe the logical steps to be taken in applying these equations for a given structural configuration

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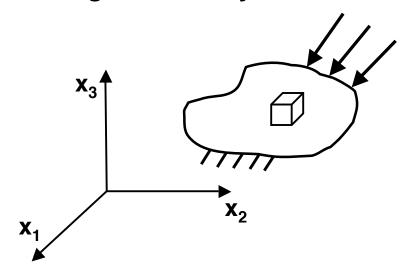
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Let's summarize where we've been in terms of elasticity and then see where we can go with this.

## Governing Equation Summary

Given general body under applied surfaces forces and body forces

Figure M4.1-1 Illustration of general body



Look at infinitesimal element

What are states of deformation, strain and stress at any point:

$$u_1$$
  $U_1$   $U_2$   $U_{11}$   $U_{12}$   $U_{22}$   $U_{13}$   $U_{22}$   $U_{13}$   $U_{23}$   $U_{23}$   $U_{23}$   $U_{23}$   $U_{23}$   $U_{23}$   $U_{23}$   $U_{23}$  displacements strains stresses unknowns

Using the 3 "great principles of solid mechanics", we arrived at 3 sets of equations:

(3) Equilibrium: 
$$\frac{\partial \square_{mn}}{\partial x_m} + f_n = 0$$

=> 15 equations in 15 unknowns (see handout M-4 for fully written out)

**But**, recall assumptions/limitations:

- e.g., small strain
  - linear behavior

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Also, we had the <u>6</u> equations of strain-compatibility

These equations then have to be solved for the particular configuration.

This involved a basic logical set of steps:

#### 1. Modeling Assumptions

Modeling assumptions are made for the particular class of structural member

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In general these are on the:

- a) Geometry
- b) Loading /Stress State
- c) Deformation/Strain State

These assumptions result in limitations on the behavior

Again, a key issue is *consistency*.

Note: A component may actually be classified "differently" if it is used differently although it physically is the same piece (example: a rod and a beam can look exactly the same)

## 2. Boundary Conditions

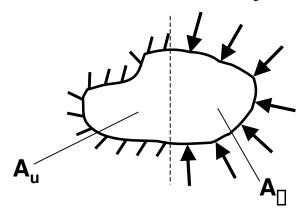
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There are two types of boundary conditions (B.C.):

- (a) on stresses (call such area  ${f A}_{\square}$ )
- (b) on displacements (call such area  $A_{U}$ )

All surface area <u>must</u> have one or the other (note that a value of 0 is a boundary condition)

Figure M4.1-2 Generic illustration of boundary conditions on a body



Given the 15 equations of elasticity and the boundary conditions, we then need... (this is the "Theory of Elasticity")

#### 3. Solution Approaches for Structures

...to solve the formulated problem

Once the problem is modeled, there are basically <u>two</u> approaches:

- a. Exactly/Analytical -- satisfy all equations and B.C.'s
  - --> Can be done for certain special models (will see in second term of Unified, 16.20)
- b. Numerical Techniques -- ... come as "close as possible"

- --> energy methods, etc., utilizing computers (16.21, etc.)
- --> most often used nowadays, but analytical solutions still important in preliminary design or for checking some modeling
- --> All bodies are 3-dimensional, but can often model some as 1-dimensional (our focus this term)

#### 1-Dimensional structures:

Rods
Beams (Unified & 16.20)
Columns

Torsional rods (more generally 16.20)

#### 2-Dimensional structures:

Plates (16.20 & 16.21)

<u>Final Words</u>: Arbitrary body (continuum) is generally <u>statically indeterminate</u>. Thus, must use deflection of body with static equilibrium, compatibility, and stressstrain relations to solve the problem.

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#### **Unit M4.1 (New) Nomenclature**

A<sub>u</sub> -- surface area of body over which displacement is prescribed (e.g., a boundary condition)

 $A_{\square}$  -- surface area of body over which stress is prescribed (e.g., a boundary condition)

B.C. -- boundary condition

 $u_i$  -- displacement of point of body in  $x_i$  direction (i = 1, 2, or 3)

 $\square_i$  -- strain of point of body (i, j = 1, 2, 3)

 $\prod_{ij}$  -- stress of point of body on  $x_i$ -face in  $x_j$  - direction (i, j = 1, 2, 3)

x<sub>1</sub>, x<sub>2</sub>, x<sub>3</sub> -- coordinate directions

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