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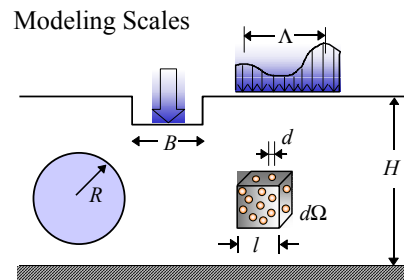
Introduction to Finite Element Modeling in Solid Mechanics

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Outline

1. Scales of Continuum Modeling
2. Elements of Continuum Solid Mechanics
3. Variational Principle
4. Application I
5. Application II: Water Filling of a gravity dam

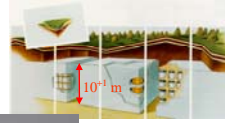
Scales of Continuum Modeling



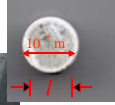
Modeling Scales

Modeling Scale (cont'd)

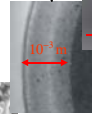
$$d \ll l \ll H$$



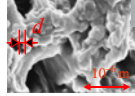
Nuclear Waste Disposal Structure



Scale of Continuum Mechanics

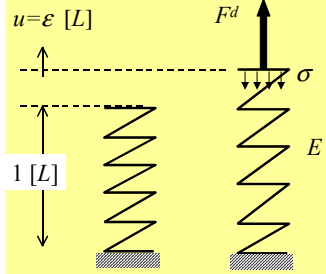


Material Science



Elements of Continuum Modeling: 1. Material

- 1D-Think Model



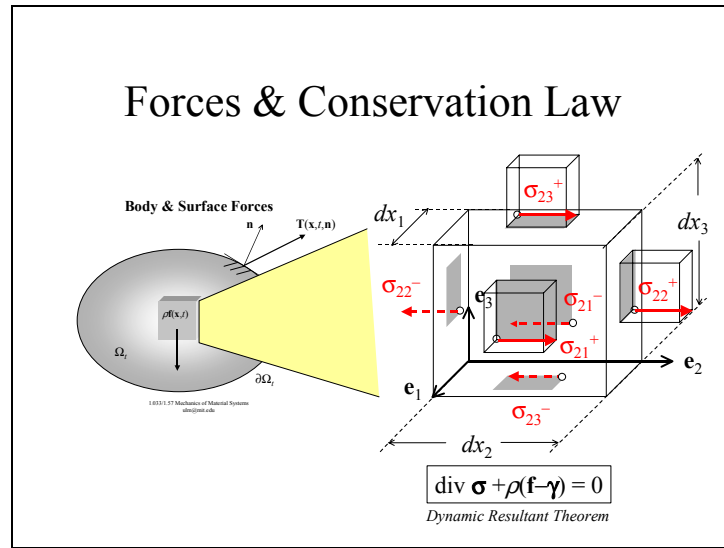
- Force Application

- Equilibrium

$$\sigma = F^d / A$$

- Material Law

$$\sigma = E\varepsilon$$



Elements of Continuum Modeling: 2. Field = Structure

- **Heat Transfer**

1. Conservation of Energy (Field Equation)

$$\text{div} \underline{q} + r = 0$$

2. Heat Flux Boundary Condition

$$\underline{q} \cdot \underline{n} = q^d$$

3. Heat Flux Constitutive Law (Fourier - Linear)

$$\underline{q} = -k \nabla T$$

- **Continuum Mechanics**

1. Conservation of Momentum

$$\text{div} \underline{\sigma} + \rho \left(\underline{f} + \frac{d^2 \underline{u}}{dt^2} \right) = 0$$

2. Stress Vector (Surface Traction) B. Condition

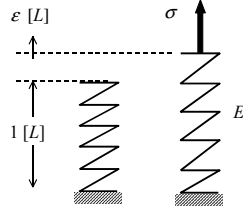
$$\underline{\sigma} \cdot \underline{n} = \underline{T}^d$$

3. Stress - Strain Constitutive Law (linear)

$$\underline{\sigma} = \underline{\underline{C}} : {}^s \nabla \underline{u}$$

Example: Material Law

Elasticity Potential



• 1st + 2nd Law:

$$\underbrace{\sigma d\epsilon}_{\text{Work}} - \underbrace{d\psi}_{\substack{\text{Stored Energy} \\ \text{= Helmholtz Energy}}} = 0$$

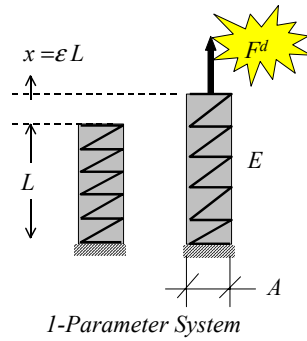
• 1D-Model:

$$\psi = 1/2 E \epsilon^2 \rightarrow \sigma = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \epsilon}$$

• 3D-Model:

$$\psi = \psi(\epsilon_{ij}) \rightarrow \sigma_{ij} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \epsilon_{ij}}$$

Stationary of Potential Energy



- Potential Energy

$$E_{pot} = W(\varepsilon) - \Phi(x)$$

Internal Energy

External Work

$$W(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{2} E \varepsilon^2 AL$$

$$\Phi(x) = F^d x$$

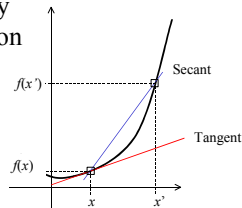
- Stationary of Potential

$$dE_{pot} = E \varepsilon AL \frac{dx}{L} - F^d dx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall dx; x = \varepsilon L = \frac{F^d L}{EA}$$

Convexity of a function

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of a function

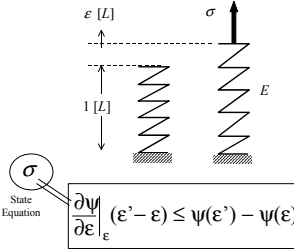


$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_x (x' - x) \leq f(x') - f(x)$$

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Convexity of Free Energy

Convexity: Applied to Free Energy



Variational Method (1D)

- Let x be solution of problem
- Let x' be any other approx. solution

External Work = Internal Work

$$F^d x = \sigma \varepsilon AL$$

$$F^d x' = \sigma \varepsilon' AL$$

$$F^d (x' - x) = \sigma (\varepsilon' - \varepsilon) AL$$

$$\sigma = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \varepsilon}$$

Convexity

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \varepsilon} (\varepsilon - \varepsilon') AL \leq [\psi(\varepsilon) - \psi(\varepsilon')]$$

Theorem of
Minimum
Potential Energy

$$\underbrace{W(\varepsilon) - \Phi(x)}_{\substack{E_{pot}(x) \\ \text{SOLUTION}}} \leq \underbrace{W(\varepsilon') - \Phi(x')}_{\substack{E_{pot}(x') \\ \text{APPROXIMATION}}}$$

Elements of 3D Variational Methods in Linear Elasticity

- Starting Point: Displacement Field \underline{u}'
- Calculate Potential Energy
- Minimize Potential Energy

Application to Finite Elements

- Displacement Field:
$$\underline{u} = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} q_i N_i(x_j)$$

- Calculate Potential Energy:
$$E_{pot} = W(q_i, q_j) - \Phi(q_i)$$

$$W(q_i, q_j) = \frac{1}{2} k_{ij} q_i q_j$$

$$\Phi(q_i) = F_i q_i$$

- Minimize Potential Energy

$$dE_{pot} = 0: k_{ij} q_j - F_i = 0$$

Application I

The diagram illustrates a 1-parameter system consisting of a vertical spring with length L and stiffness k . A force F^d is applied at the top, causing a displacement q . The system is labeled "1-Parameter System" and "DOF".

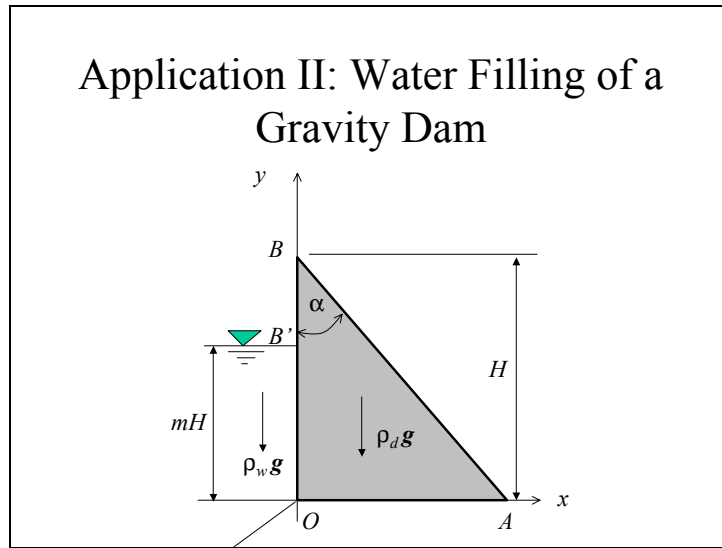
- Displacement Field

$$u' = q \frac{x}{L}$$
- Potential Energy

$$E_{pot} = \frac{1}{2} kq - F^d q \quad k = \frac{EA}{L}$$
- Minimization with regard to DOF

$$dE_{pot} = \frac{\partial E_{pot}}{\partial q} dq = 0 \rightarrow kq - F^d = 0$$

Application II: Water Filling of a Gravity Dam



From 1D to 3D

- 1D

- Strain-Displacement

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta l}{L}$$

- Free Energy (p.vol)

$$\psi = \frac{1}{2} E \varepsilon^2$$

- External Work

$$\Phi = F^d u$$

- 3D

- Strain-Displacement

$$\underline{\underline{\varepsilon}} = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \underline{u} + {}^t \nabla \underline{u})$$

- Free Energy (p.vol)

$$\psi = \frac{1}{2} \lambda (\text{tr} \underline{\underline{\varepsilon}})^2 + 2\mu \left(\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} (\underline{\underline{\varepsilon}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\varepsilon}}) \right)$$

- External Work

$$\Phi = \int_{\Omega} \underline{\rho} \underline{f} \cdot \underline{u} d\Omega + \int_{\partial\Omega} \underline{T}^d \cdot \underline{u} da$$

(Volume Forces) (Surface Forces)