

**EN175: Advanced Mechanics of Solids** 

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## **General Instructions**

- No collaboration of any kind is permitted on this examination.
- You may use two pages of reference notes
- Write all your solutions in the space provided. No sheets should be added to the exam.
- Make diagrams and sketches as clear as possible, and show all your derivations clearly. Incomplete solutions will receive only partial credit, even if the answer is correct.
- If you find you are unable to complete part of a question, proceed to the next part.

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1-5. (11 points)

6. (16 points)

7. (6 points)

8. (12 points)

TOTAL (45 points)

1. The figure shows a beam subjected to constraints and forces. Indicate whether the following functions  $\wedge \mathbf{e}_{1}$ are kinematically admissible displacement fields for calculating the beam's potential energy



**2.** The figure shows a tumbler with mass density  $\rho_T$ filled with fluid with mass density  $\rho$ . Using the cylindrical-polar basis shown, write down the boundary conditions for stress components on the three surfaces marked (1), (2), (3) in the figure.

$$z$$
  $e_{\theta}$   $e_{z}$   $e_{r}$   $(2)$ 

(1) (Top surface, 
$$z = 0$$
,  $a < r < a + t$ )  
 $\sigma_{zz} = 0$ ,  $\sigma_{rz} = 0$   $\sigma_{z\theta} = 0$ 

(2) (Outer surface r=a+t)

$$\sigma_{rr} = 0, \ \sigma_{rz} = 0 \ \sigma_{r\theta} = 0$$

(3) (Inner surface r=a)

$$\sigma_{rr} = -\rho gz, \ \sigma_{rz} = 0 \ \sigma_{r\theta} = 0$$

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(1)

**3.** The circular plate shown in the figure is meshed with plate elements for a static analysis. Indicate whether the boundary conditions shown properly constrain the solid.



[2 POINTS]

 $T_{\theta}$ 

time

4. The string shown in the figure has mass per unit length m and is stretched by an axial tension  $T_0$ . It is prevented from moving in a vertical direction at its ends  $x_3 = 0, x_3 = L$ . At time t=0 it is released from rest with the displacement distribution shown in the figure. Use the space





[2 POINTS]

5. The figure shows a finite element simulation of an elastic cylinder with radius *R*, mass density  $\rho$ , Young's modulus *E* and Poisson's ratio  $\nu$  colliding with a frictionless rigid surface. The goal of the simulation is to calculate the contact time *T* as a function of material properties and geometry. Re-write the relationship  $T = f(E, \rho, \nu, R)$  in dimensionless form.

$$\frac{T}{R}\sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}} = f(\nu)$$

6. The figure shows a simple design for a dam. The wedge-shaped dam is made from a material with weight density  $\rho_C$ . It is loaded on its vertical face by fluid pressure  $p = -\rho_W x_2$ , where  $\rho_W$  is the weight density of the fluid.

6.1 Write down formulas for unit vectors **t**, **n** tangent and normal to the back face of the dam, in terms of  $\beta$  (you will need this information for part 7.2 and 7.3)

$$\mathbf{t} = \sin \beta \mathbf{e}_1 + \cos \beta \mathbf{e}_2$$
$$\mathbf{n} = -\sin \beta \mathbf{e}_2 + \cos \beta \mathbf{e}_1$$

6.2 Write down the boundary conditions on the two faces AB, AC of the dam, in terms of the 2D stress components  $\sigma_{11}, \sigma_{22}, \sigma_{12}$ .

On face AB, the condition  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \rho_W x_2 \mathbf{e}_1$  gives  $\begin{bmatrix} -1, 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sigma_{11} \\ -\sigma_{12} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_W x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

On face AC, the condition  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{0}$  gives  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta, -\sin \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} \cos \beta - \sigma_{12} \sin \beta \\ \sigma_{12} \cos \beta - \sigma_{22} \sin \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

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6.2 Consider the stress state

$$\sigma_{11} = -\rho_W x_2$$
  

$$\sigma_{22} = \rho_C \left( x_1 \cot(\beta) - x_2 \right) - \rho_W \cot^2 \beta (2x_1 \cot(\beta) - x_2)$$
  

$$\sigma_{12} = -\rho_W x_1 \cot^2 \beta$$

Show that the stress state satisfies equilibrium in the dam (inside the wedge) and also satisfies the boundary conditions on the faces AB and AC. Note that on face AC  $x_1 = x_2 \tan \beta$ .

The equilibrium equations are

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

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{12}}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{22}}{\partial x_2} + \rho_C = -\rho_W \cot^2 \beta - \rho_C + \rho_W \cot^2 \beta + \rho_C = 0$$
[2 POINTS]

The boundary condition on face AB is  $\sigma_{11} = -\rho_W x_2$   $\sigma_{12} = 0$   $x_1 = 0$ . This is clearly satisfied. [2 POINTS]

The boundary condition on face AC is

$$t_{1} = \sigma_{11} \cos \beta - \sigma_{12} \sin \beta = 0$$
  

$$t_{2} = \sigma_{12} \cos \beta - \sigma_{22} \sin \beta = 0$$
  
on  $x_{1} = s \sin \beta$ ,  $x_{2} = s \cos \beta$  Substituting the given formulas  

$$t_{1} = -\rho_{W} s \cos^{2} \beta + \rho_{W} s \sin^{2} \beta \cot^{2} \beta = 0$$
  

$$t_{2} = -\rho_{W} s \sin \beta \cos \beta \cot^{2} \beta - \rho_{C} (s \sin \beta \cot \beta - s \cos \beta) + \rho_{W} \cot^{2} \beta \sin \beta (2s \sin \beta \cot \beta - s \cos \beta) = 0$$

[2 POINTS]

6.3 Suppose that the dam is made from concrete, which cannot safely withstand tensile stress. Assuming that the maximum principal tensile stress occurs at B, find a formula for the minimum allowable value for the angle  $\beta$ , in terms of  $\rho_c$ ,  $\rho_W$ 

The condition  

$$\sigma_{22} < 0 \quad x_1 = 0$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \rho_C (-x_2) - \rho_W \cot^2 \beta(-x_2) < 0 \Rightarrow \cot^2 \beta < \rho_C / \rho_W$ 

6.4 Assume that the concrete fails by crushing if the minimum principal stress reaches  $\sigma_3 = -\sigma_c$ . Assuming that the minimum principal stress occurs at point C, and that  $\beta$  has the minimum value calculated in 7.3, find an expression for the maximum height of the dam, in terms of  $\rho_C$ ,  $\rho_W$ . You may find the trig identity  $1 + \tan^2 \beta = 1/\cos^2 \beta$  helpful.

Since the rear face of the dam is free of traction, the direction of the nonzero principal stress must be parallel to **t**. Therefore

$$\sigma_{3} = \mathbf{t} \cdot \mathbf{\sigma} \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \beta & \cos \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sin \beta \\ \cos \beta \end{bmatrix} = \sigma_{11} \sin^{2} \beta + \sigma_{22} \cos^{2} \beta + 2\sigma_{12} \sin \beta \cos \beta$$

Note that at C  $x_1 = H \tan \beta$   $x_2 = H$  so

$$\sigma_{11} = -\rho_W H$$
  $\sigma_{22} = -\rho_W H \cot^2 \beta$   $\sigma_{12} = -\rho_W \cot \beta$ 

This gives  

$$\sigma_{3} = -\rho_{W}H\left(\sin^{2}\beta + \cos^{2}\beta\cot^{2}\beta + 2\sin\beta\cos\beta\cot\beta\right)$$

$$= -\rho_{W}H\left(1 + \cos^{2}\beta + \cos^{2}\beta\cot^{2}\beta\right) = -\frac{\rho_{W}H}{\sin^{2}\beta}\left(\sin\beta^{2} + \cos^{2}\beta\sin^{2}\beta + \cos^{4}\beta\right) = -\frac{\rho_{W}H}{\sin^{2}\beta}$$

From 7.3 we know that

$$\tan^{2} \beta = \rho_{W} / \rho_{C} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\cos^{2} \beta} = 1 + \rho_{W} / \rho_{C} \Rightarrow \sin^{2} \beta = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \rho_{W} / \rho_{C}} = \frac{\rho_{W}}{\rho_{W} + \rho_{C}}$$
  
So  $\sigma_{3} = -H(\rho_{W} + \rho_{C})$ , and therefore  $H < \sigma_{c} / (\rho_{W} + \rho_{C})$   
[4 POINTS]

7. The figure shows a beam that is clamped at  $x_3 = 0$ and pinned at  $x_3 = L$ . It is subjected to a point force *P* at mid-span  $x_3 = L/2$ .

7.1 Show that  $\hat{v} = Cx_1^2(L - x_1)$  is a kinematically admissible deflection for the beam

The boundary conditions are

$$dv / dx_3 = 0 \qquad x_3 = 0$$

$$v = 0 \quad x_3 = L$$

Note 
$$\frac{dv}{dx_3} = 2x_1L - 3x_1^2$$

The displacement field given therefore satisfies all three of these conditions.

v =



7.2 Hence, find a formula for the potential energy of the beam, in terms of E, I, C, P, L. You can assume that the potential energy of a beam is

$$\Pi = \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} EI\left(\frac{d^{2}v}{dx^{2}}\right)^{2} dx - \int_{0}^{L} q(x)v(x)dx$$

Assume a displacement field  $\hat{v} = Cx_1^2(L - x_1)$ 

We have that 
$$\frac{d^2v}{dx_3^2} = 2L - 6x_1$$

The potential energy is therefore

$$\Pi = \int_{0}^{L} 2EIC^{2} (L - 3x_{1})^{2} dx - CP \left(\frac{L}{2}\right)^{2} \frac{L}{2}$$
$$= 2EIC^{2} \left[ -\frac{1}{9} (L - 3x_{1})^{3} \right]_{0}^{L} - CP \frac{L^{3}}{8}$$
$$= 2EIC^{2} \frac{1}{9} (8L^{3} + L^{3}) - CP \frac{L^{3}}{8}$$
$$= 2EIC^{2} L^{3} - CP \frac{L^{3}}{8}$$

# [2 POINTS]

7.3 Hence, use the Rayleigh-Ritz method to estimate the deflection of the beam at  $x_3 = L/2$ .

We need to minimize the PE

$$\frac{d\Pi}{dC} = 4EICL^3 - P\frac{L^3}{8} = 0 \Longrightarrow C = \frac{P}{32EI}$$

The deflection at midspan is therefore

$$\hat{v} = \frac{P}{32EI} \left(\frac{L}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{PL^3}{256EI}$$

8. A thin-walled sphere with radius *R* and wall thickness *t* is made from an elastic-plastic material with Youngs modulus *E*, Poissons ratio *v* and a linear hardening relation  $Y = Y_0 + h\varepsilon_e$ . The sphere is subjected to monotonically increasing internal pressure *p* (with dp/dt > 0), which generates a stress state (in spherical-polar coordinates)  $\sigma_{rr} \approx 0$ ,  $\sigma_{\phi\phi} = \sigma_{\theta\theta} = pR/(2t)$  (note that these are principal stresses)

9.1 Find a formula for the Von-Mises stress in the sphere wall, in terms of p,R and t. Hence, calculate the pressure that will first cause yield in the sphere wall.



$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \sigma_1 - \sigma_2 \right)^2 + \left( \sigma_1 - \sigma_3 \right)^2 + \left( \sigma_2 - \sigma_3 \right)^2 \right]} = pR / 2t$$
  
At yield  $\sigma_e = Y \Rightarrow p_y = 2tY / R$   
[2 POINTS]

8.2 Find the hydrostatic and deviatoric stresses in the sphere wall.

$$\sigma_h = \sigma_{kk} / 3 = pR / 3t$$

$$S_{rr} = -pR/3t$$
  $S_{\theta\theta} = S_{\phi\phi} = pR/6t$  [2 POINTS]

8.3 Hence, find a formula for the Von Mises plastic strain rate  $d\varepsilon_e/dt$  in the sphere wall, in terms of dp/dt, h, R, t

From notes, the plastic strain rate is zero below yield while above yield, the formula is

$$\frac{d\varepsilon_e}{dt} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{h\sigma_e} \left\langle S_{ij} \frac{d\sigma_{ij}}{dt} \right\rangle = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{h(pR/2t)} \left\langle 2 \frac{pR}{6t} \frac{dp}{dt} \frac{R}{2t} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{h} \frac{R}{2t} \frac{dp}{dt}$$

8.4 Hence, find a formula for the total strain rates  $d\varepsilon_{rr} / dt$ ,  $d\varepsilon_{\theta\theta} / dt$  (include both elastic and plastic strain rates, and give solutions for pressure both below and above yield) in the shell.

From notes

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{rr} \\ \varepsilon_{\theta\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} \frac{R}{2Et} \begin{bmatrix} -2\nu \\ 1-\nu \end{bmatrix} \frac{dp}{dt} & pR/(2t) < Y_0 \\ \frac{R}{2Et} \begin{bmatrix} -2\nu \\ 1-\nu \end{bmatrix} \frac{dp}{dt} + \frac{1}{h} \frac{R}{2t} \frac{dp}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix} & pR/(2t) < Y_0 \end{cases}$$

#### [2 POINTS]

8.5 Find the total hoop strains  $\varepsilon_{\theta\theta}$ ,  $\varepsilon_{\phi\phi}$  when the pressure reaches a value  $p = 4tY_0 / R$ 

Integrating

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{rr} \\ \varepsilon_{\theta\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{Y_0}{E} \begin{bmatrix} -2\nu \\ 1-\nu \end{bmatrix} + \frac{R}{2t} \begin{bmatrix} -2\nu/E - 1/h \\ (1-\nu)/E + 1/(2h) \end{bmatrix} (p - 2Y_0 t/R)$$
$$= Y_0 \begin{bmatrix} -4\nu/E - 1/h \\ 2(1-\nu)/E + 1/(2h) \end{bmatrix}$$

## [2 POINTS]

8.6 Find a formula for the change in radius of the sphere when the pressure reaches a value  $p = 4tY_0 / R$ 

The strains are related to the radial displacements by  $\varepsilon_{\theta\theta} = u / R$ . Therefore

$$u = Y_0 R \left( \frac{2(1-\nu)}{E} + \frac{1}{2h} \right)$$