

Two hours

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ELASTICITY

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Answer **ALL FIVE** questions.

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Electronic calculators may be used, provided that they cannot store text.

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1. A two-dimensional elastic body has an undeformed configuration given by a triangle defined by the vertices  $(x_1, x_2) = (0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$  and  $(1, 1)$ . The body is subjected to the displacement field  $(u_1, u_2)$  where

$$u_1 = \epsilon \sin(\pi x_2), \quad u_2 = -\epsilon \sin(\pi x_1),$$

and  $\epsilon$  is a small positive constant.

- (i) By considering each side of the triangle, or otherwise, sketch the deformed body.
- (ii) Determine the strain tensor  $e_{ij}$  and the rotation tensor  $\omega_{ij}$  corresponding to this displacement field.
- (iii) Find the principal strains as functions of position  $(x_1, x_2)$  and find all points within the body at which the strain is zero, as well as those where the rotation is zero.

[12 marks]

2. A three-dimensional elastic body is in a state of plane strain such that  $e_{11} = a$ ,  $e_{22} = b$  and  $e_{12} = c$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are constants.

- (i) Using the constitutive law for a homogeneous, linearly elastic material

$$\tau_{ij} = \lambda \delta_{ij} e_{kk} + 2\mu e_{ij},$$

calculate all components of the stress tensor.

- (ii) Find the body force  $\mathbf{F}$  required to ensure that the body is in equilibrium, *i.e.* that the equations  $\tau_{ij,j} + \rho F_i = 0$  are satisfied.
- (iii) Find a displacement field corresponding to the given strain. Is this displacement field unique up to rigid-body transformations?

[16 marks]

3. An elastic body undergoes a deformation described by the displacement field  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r})$ , so that the position vector to the deformed configuration is  $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r})$ , where  $\mathbf{r}$  is a position vector to the undeformed position.

(i) Starting from first principles, derive the relationship

$$dR_i = dr_i + \left. \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right|_{\mathbf{r}} dr_j,$$

between an undeformed, infinitesimal line element  $dr_i$  and its counterpart after deformation,  $dR_i$ .

(ii) Show that

$$dR_i dR_i = (\delta_{ij} + A_{ij}) dr_i dr_j,$$

where  $A_{ij}$  is a quantity to be found.

**Do not assume that the displacement gradient remains small.**

(iii) Now consider the limit when the displacement gradient is small and, if quadratic terms are neglected, show that

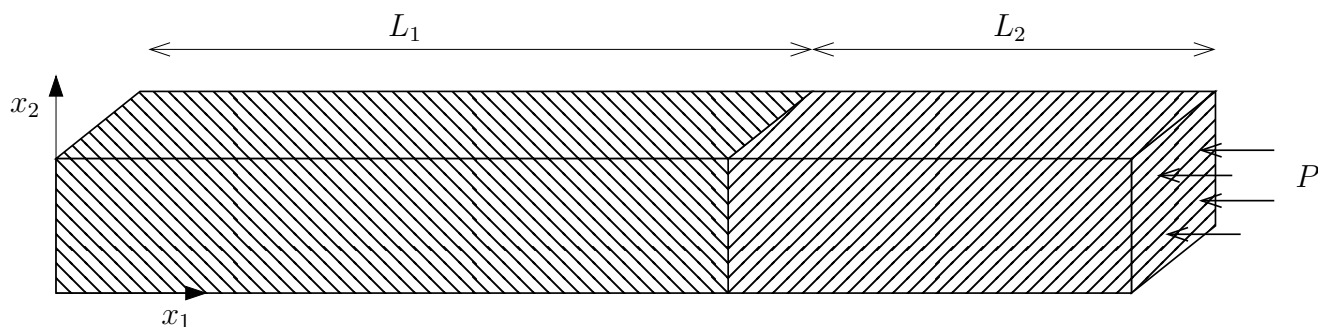
$$dR_i dR_i = (\delta_{ij} + 2e_{ij}) dr_i dr_j,$$

where  $e_{ij}$  is the infinitesimal strain tensor.

(iv) Compute the difference between  $A_{ij}$  and  $2e_{ij}$  for the displacement field  $u_1 = \alpha x_1$ ,  $u_2 = \beta x_2$ ,  $u_3 = \gamma x_3$ , where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are constants.

[12 marks]

4. A linearly elastic material with Lamé coefficients  $\lambda_1, \mu_1$  occupies the region  $0 \leq x_1 \leq L_1, 0 \leq x_2 \leq 1, 0 \leq x_3 \leq 1$ . A different linearly elastic material with Lamé coefficients  $\lambda_2, \mu_2$  occupies the region  $L_1 \leq x_1 \leq L_1 + L_2, 0 \leq x_2 \leq 1, 0 \leq x_3 \leq 1$ . The first material is fixed at  $x_1 = 0$  and the second is loaded by applying a pressure  $P$  at  $x_1 = L_1 + L_2$ . All other faces are unloaded, apart from the interface between the two materials at  $x_1 = L_1$ .



- (i) Assuming that the displacement has the form  $\mathbf{u} = u_1(x_1) \mathbf{e}_1$ , where  $\mathbf{e}_1$  is a unit vector in the positive  $x_1$  direction, show that

$$u_1 = \begin{cases} A_1 x_1 + B_1, & 0 \leq x_1 \leq L_1, \\ A_2 x_1 + B_2, & L_1 \leq x_1 \leq L_1 + L_2, \end{cases}$$

where  $A_1, A_2, B_1$  and  $B_2$  are constants.

You may assume that the displacement in each material satisfies the Navier–Lamé equations

$$(\lambda + 2\mu)\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) - \mu\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{0},$$

where  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are the appropriate Lamé coefficients.

- (ii) Explain why the assumption in (i) will not be valid unless  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are both zero.

**Hint:** Consider the stress boundary conditions.

You may assume that the stress in each material is given by

$$\tau_{ij} = \lambda\delta_{ij}e_{kk} + 2\mu e_{ij},$$

where  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are the appropriate Lamé coefficients.

- (iii) Assuming that  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$  and the displacements and stresses are continuous between the two materials, write down the boundary conditions at  $x_1 = 0, x_1 = L_1$  and  $x_1 = L_1 + L_2$ .
- (iv) Hence, find the displacement field throughout the domain  $0 \leq x_1 \leq L_1 + L_2$  and the change in total length of the entire block. What is the physical interpretation of the result?
- (v) Consider the same load applied a single linearly elastic material with Lamé coefficients  $\lambda_3 = 0$  and  $\mu_3$ . The new material occupies the region  $0 \leq x_1 \leq L_1 + L_2, 0 \leq x_2 \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq x_3 \leq 1$ . Find an expression for  $\mu_3$  that will ensure that the block of single material exhibits the same change in length as the block composed of two materials.

[20 marks]

5. In cylindrical polar coordinates  $(r, \theta, z)$ , the constitutive law for a linearly elastic material is

$$\tau_{ij} = \lambda \delta_{ij} (e_{rr} + e_{\theta\theta} + e_{zz}) + 2\mu e_{ij},$$

where  $\tau_{ij}$  is the stress tensor;  $e_{ij}$  is the strain tensor; and  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are the Lamé coefficients.

(i) Show that

$$\tau_{rr} + \tau_{\theta\theta} + \tau_{zz} = (3\lambda + 2\mu) (e_{rr} + e_{\theta\theta} + e_{zz}).$$

(ii) Assuming a state of plane stress,  $\tau_{zz} = \tau_{zr} = \tau_{z\theta} = 0$ , show that

$$e_{rr} = \frac{1}{E} (\tau_{rr} - \nu\tau_{\theta\theta}), \quad e_{\theta\theta} = \frac{1}{E} (\tau_{\theta\theta} - \nu\tau_{rr}), \quad e_{r\theta} = \frac{1+\nu}{E} \tau_{r\theta},$$

where

$$E = \frac{\mu(3\lambda + 2\mu)}{\lambda + \mu}, \quad \nu = \frac{\lambda}{2(\lambda + \mu)}.$$

(iii) Write down the equation satisfied by the Airy stress function. If the Airy stress function  $\Phi(r)$  is a function only of  $r$ , show that the general solution is

$$\Phi = Ar^2 \ln r + Br^2 + C \ln r + D.$$

and write down the corresponding stresses  $\tau_{rr}$ ,  $\tau_{\theta\theta}$ ,  $\tau_{r\theta}$ .

(iv) Hence, find the stress field  $\tau_{ij}$  and radial displacement  $u_r$  throughout a linearly elastic infinite cylinder of undeformed radius  $a$  that is loaded only by an external pressure  $p$ .

You may use the results that in cylindrical polar coordinates:

$$e_{rr} = \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r}, \quad e_{\theta\theta} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{u_r}{r}, \quad 2e_{r\theta} = \frac{\partial u_\theta}{\partial r} - \frac{u_\theta}{r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial \theta}.$$

$$\nabla^4 f(r) = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[ r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[ r \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right] \right) \right]$$

and for an Airy stress function,  $\Phi(r, \theta)$

$$\tau_{rr} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial r}, \quad \tau_{\theta\theta} = \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial r^2}, \quad \tau_{r\theta} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \theta} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial r \partial \theta}.$$

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