

**AME40541/60541: Finite Element Methods**  
**Homework 4: Due Monday, March 1, 2021**

**Problem 1:** (10 points) Re-write the Navier equations using indicial notation and Einstein summation convention. Replace  $x \rightarrow 1$ ,  $y \rightarrow 2$ ,  $z \rightarrow 3$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zx}}{\partial z} + F_x &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \sigma_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zy}}{\partial z} + F_y &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \sigma_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zz}}{\partial z} + F_z &= 0\end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2:** (15 points) (AME 60541 only) The elasticity tensor for a St. Venant-Kirchhoff material is given by  $C_{ijkl} = \lambda \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk})$ , where  $\lambda, \mu$  are the Lamé parameters. Calculate the stress tensor  $\sigma_{ij}$ , where  $\sigma_{ij} = C_{ijkl} \epsilon_{kl}$  and  $\epsilon_{kl}$  is the strain tensor. Make sure to use the fact that the strain tensor is symmetric ( $\epsilon_{ij} = \epsilon_{ji}$ ). Also, calculate the deviatoric stress  $s_{ij} = \sigma_{ij} - \frac{\sigma_{kk}}{3} \delta_{ij}$ . In both cases, your answer should be in terms of  $\lambda, \mu$ , and the strain tensor  $\epsilon$ .

**Problem 3:** (10 points) From JNR 2.1: Construct the weak form of the nonlinear PDE

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left( u \frac{du}{dx} \right) + f = 0 \quad \text{in } (0, L), \quad \left( u \frac{du}{dx} \right) \Big|_{x=0} = 0, \quad u(L) = \sqrt{2},$$

for  $f : (0, L) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a given function.

**Problem 4:** (30 points) The linear elasticity equations model structural deformation in the limit of infinitesimal strain and a linear relationship between stress and stress

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{ij,j} + f_i &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ \sigma_{ij} n_j &= \bar{t}_i \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega,\end{aligned}$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ , where the stress tensor  $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  and strain tensor  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  are defined as

$$\sigma_{ij} = C_{ijkl} \epsilon_{kl}, \quad \epsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}),$$

and  $u_i \in \mathbb{R}$  is the displacement in the  $i$ th direction for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ . We will solely consider a homogeneous, isotropic material with  $C_{ijkl}(x) = \lambda(x) \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu(x) (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk})$ , where  $\lambda(x)$  and  $\mu(x)$  are the Lamé parameters. Considering the special case of  $d = 2$  is equivalent to making the *plane strain* assumption.

Consider a multimaterial beam (Figure 1) with boundary conditions: clamped on  $\partial\Omega_1$  ( $u_1 = u_2 = 0$ ), no traction on  $\partial\Omega_2 \cup \partial\Omega_4$  ( $\bar{t}_1 = \bar{t}_2 = 0$ ), and a distributed force in the  $-y$  direction of 0.1 on  $\partial\Omega_3$  ( $\bar{t}_1 = 0, \bar{t}_2 = -0.1$ ). Take the Lamé parameters for material 1 to be  $\lambda_1(x) = 365$ ,  $\mu_1(x) = 188$  and those for material 2 to be  $\lambda_1(x) = 36.5$ ,  $\mu_1(x) = 18.8$ .

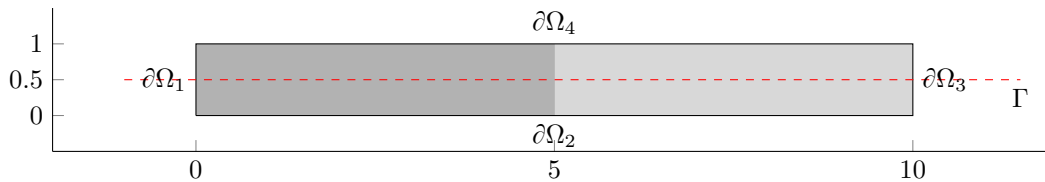


Figure 1: Multimaterial beam ( $\Omega$ ), boundaries ( $\partial\Omega_i$ ), and line along which to evaluate quantities ( $\Gamma$ ).

(a) Use COMSOL to approximate the solution to the linear elasticity equations on a sufficiently refined mesh.

- (b) Evaluate the displacements  $u_1$ ,  $u_2$  along the line  $\Gamma$  (Figure 1) and plot the von Mises stress on the deformed geometry.

I suggest saving the numeric value of the slices as we will solve this problem using the FE code you develop during your final project; these values will provide a valuable test for your implementation.