

Valuable mathematical tools in engineering education

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City of Leoben, <http://www.leoben.at/>



Leoben, second largest town of styria, \approx 25.000 residents; a center of heavy industry, Erzberg, voestalpine Stahl Donawitz (LD-process); a center of modern technologies; a city of conventions, culture and tourism.

University of Leoben, <http://www.unileoben.ac.at/>

Short history

- 1840 Foundation as „Steiermärkisch-Ständische Montanlehranstalt“ in Vordernberg
- 1849 Relocation to Leoben
- 1904 Renaming into „Montanistische Hochschule“
- 1975 Renaming into „Montanuniversität Leoben“



Studies

- Applied Geosciences
- Industrial Environmental Protection, Waste Disposal Technology and Recycling
- Industrial Logistics
- Master Programme Industrial Energy Technology
- Materials Science
- Natural Resources Engineering
- Mining and Metallurgical Machinery
- Metallurgy
- Petroleum Engineering
- Polymer Engineering and Science

Currently \approx 2500 students, 44 institutes/departments, \approx 500 first-year students in fall 2009

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Motivation

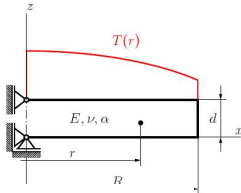
Why is the knowledge of tensor calculus and a CAS (computer algebra system) important?

- Advantage of formulating equations in continuum mechanics with the tensor formalism will be shown
- Equations in tensor form can be written in arbitrary coordinates suited for the considered problem
- Extensive calculations which are arising are done with a CAS - in our case: MAPLETM
- Approach allows to concentrate on concepts and not on time consuming calculations

Problem description 1

- Starting from basic principles the Lamé-Navier equations are calculated
- Stress-, strain- and displacement-fields in a circular disc or cylinder loaded by different radial temperature distributions are investigated
- Dependent on the ratio of thickness to radius a plane stress or plane strain state is present
- Solutions for the plane stress case are shown, obtaining the plane strain solutions is straightforward

Problem description 2



$\frac{d}{R} \ll 1 \dots$ plane stress
 $\frac{d}{R} \gg 1 \dots$ plane strain
 $\frac{d}{R} \approx 1 \dots$ 3-D-state

$$E = 2.1 \cdot 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

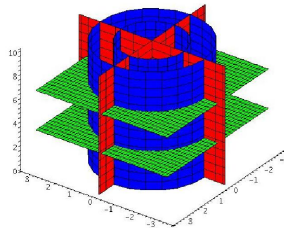
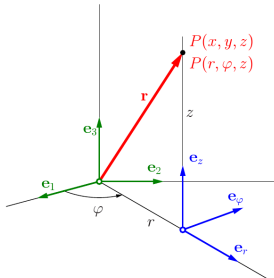
$$\nu = 0.3$$

$$\alpha = 12 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ 1/K}$$

$$R = 11.25 \text{ mm}$$

$$d = 1 \text{ mm}$$

stress and strain free state at $T^* = 273.15 \text{ K}$



Analytical solution 1

Complete set of field equations in the theory of linear elasticity:

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left(u_{i|j} + u_{j|i} \right), \quad \sigma^{ij}|_j + f^i = \rho \ddot{u}^i, \quad \sigma^{ij} = \frac{E}{1+\nu} \left(\varepsilon^{ij} + \frac{\nu}{1-2\nu} \varepsilon_m^m g^{ij} - \frac{1+\nu}{1-2\nu} \alpha_T T g^{ij} \right),$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij|kl} e^{ikm} e^{jln} = 0.$$

Lamé-Navier equations:

$$\mu u^i|_j^j + (\lambda + \mu) u^j|_j^i - (3\lambda + 2\mu) \alpha_T T|^i = 0.$$

Due to symmetry conditions the Lamé-Navier equations are reduced to an ordinary differential equation:

$$d_r \left(\frac{1}{r} d_r(r u_r) \right) = \alpha(1 + \nu) d_r T.$$

Analytical solution 2

Stresses and displacement:

$$\sigma_{rr}(r) = \alpha E \left(\frac{1}{R^2} \int_0^R dr Tr - \frac{1}{r^2} \int_0^r dr' Tr' \right), \quad \sigma_{\varphi\varphi}(r) = \alpha E \left(\frac{1}{R^2} \int_0^R dr Tr + \frac{1}{r^2} \int_0^r dr' Tr' - T \right),$$

$$u_r(r) = \frac{\alpha}{r} \left[(1 - \nu) \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^2 \int_0^R dr Tr + (1 + \nu) \int_0^r dr' Tr' \right].$$

Stresses at $r = 0$ by application of *l'Hôpital's rule* to the limits:

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r dr' Tr' = 0, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{r^2} \int_0^r dr' Tr' = \frac{1}{2} T(0).$$

$$\sigma_{rr}(0) = \sigma_{\varphi\varphi}(0) = \alpha E \left(\frac{1}{R^2} \int_0^R dr Tr - \frac{1}{2} T(0) \right).$$

Solution with MAPLE™

- Tensor calculus (base vectors, metric coefficients, Christoffel symbols, differential operators, ...)
- Calculation of the Lamé-Navier equations
- Solution of the differential equations for the field variables
- Evaluation of integrals and limits

MAPLE™ worksheets

Conclusions

- Basic equations of linear thermoelasticity were developed and formulated in tensor notation
- Lamé-Navier equations were specialised for cylindrical coordinates
- A problem of linear thermoelasticity was solved analytically; different boundary conditions were investigated
- CAS was intensively used which takes care of all the time consuming calculations
- CAS helps to quickly get an impression how equations and their solutions behave; the saved time can be used for discussions of the results or case studies

Questions?

Thank you for your attention!