

Practical Course: Modeling, Simulation, Optimization

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7.A Elasticity



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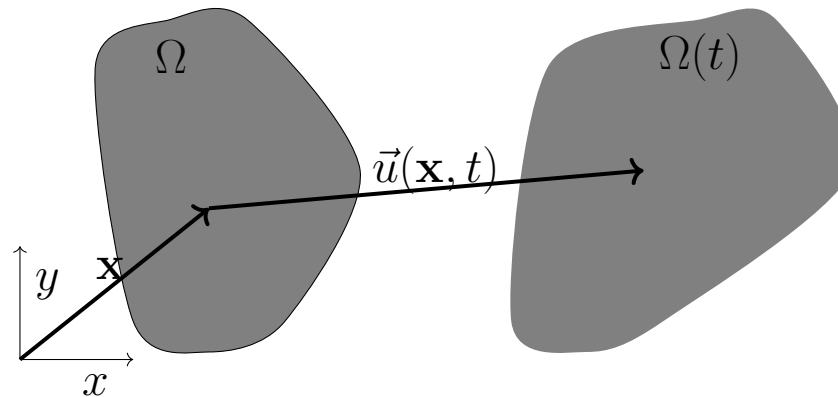
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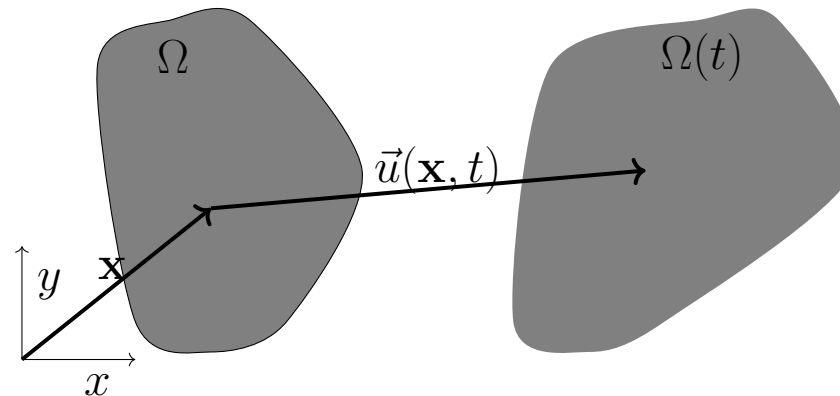
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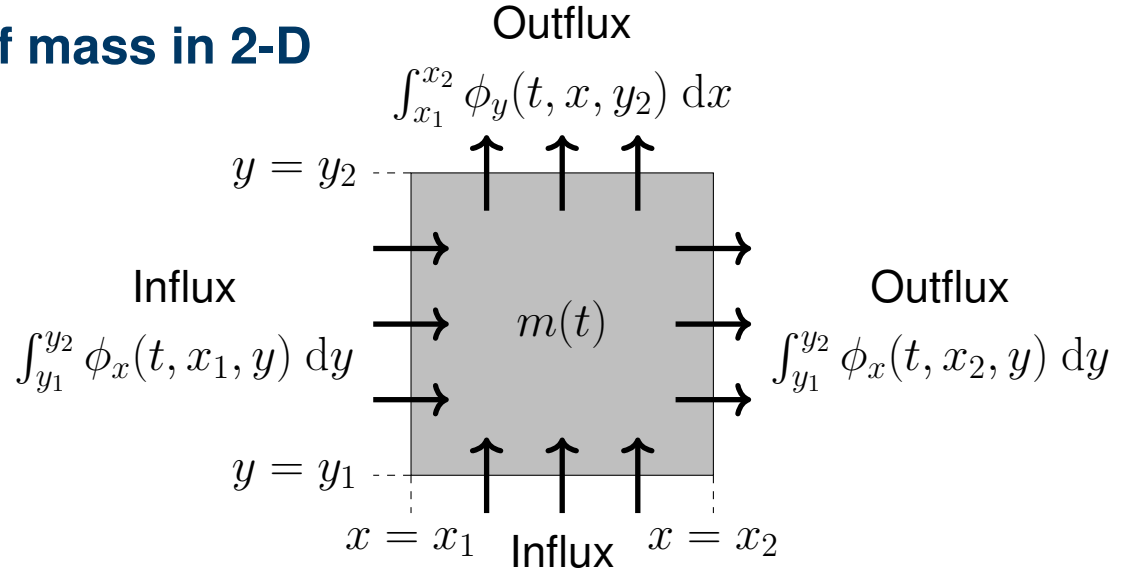
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7.B The force balance



Recall: Conservation of mass in 2-D



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial m}{\partial t}(t, x, y) &= \int_{y_1}^{y_2} (\phi_x(t, x_1, y) - \phi_x(t, x_2, y)) dy + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} (\phi_y(t, x, y_1) - \phi_y(t, x, y_2)) dx \\ &= - \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \left(\frac{\partial \phi_x}{\partial x}(t, x, y) + \frac{\partial \phi_y}{\partial y}(t, x, y) \right) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

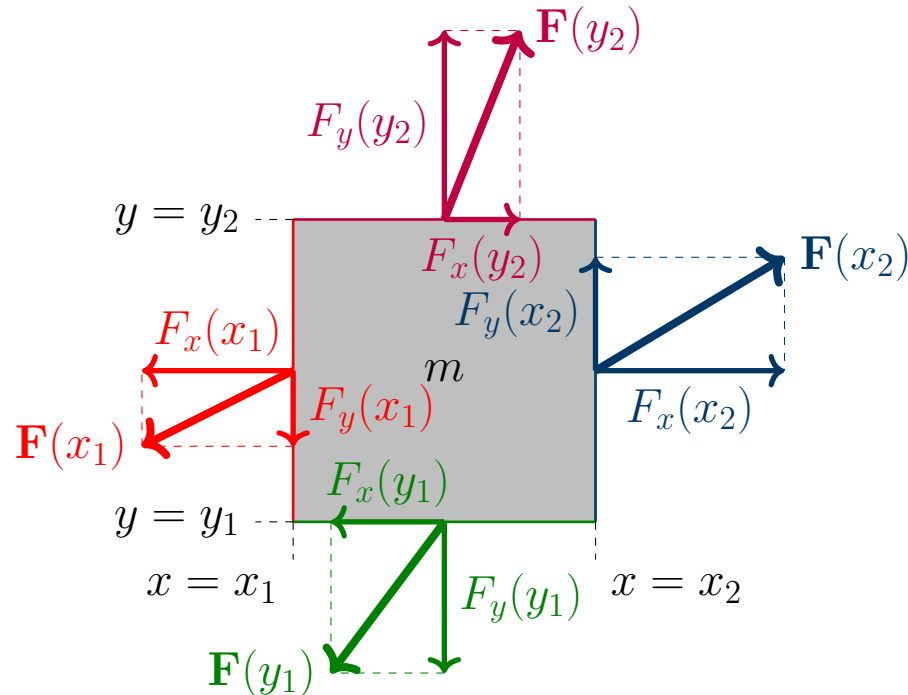
Because $m(t) = \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \rho(t, x, y) dx dy$ and $[x_1, x_2] \times [y_1, y_2]$ is arbitrary:

Conservation of mass in 2-D

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}(t, x, y) = - \frac{\partial \phi_x}{\partial x}(t, x, y) - \frac{\partial \phi_y}{\partial y}(t, x, y).$$

The force balance (1/2)

Consider an arbitrary square inside the domain of interest.



Force balance:

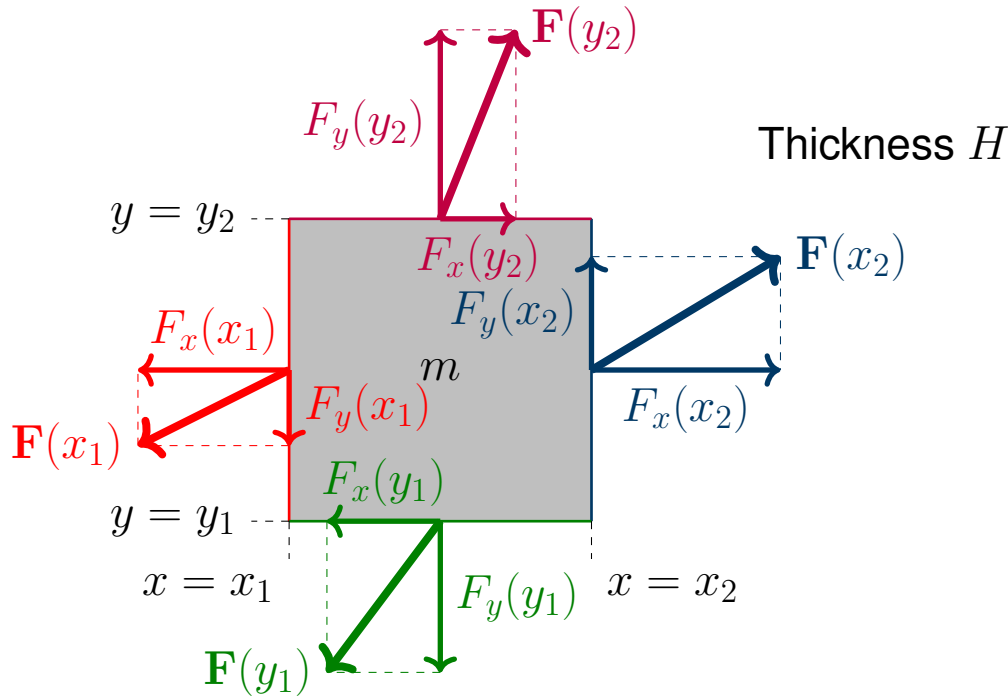
$$F_x(x_2) - F_x(x_1) + F_x(y_2) - F_x(y_1) = ma_x$$

$$F_y(x_2) - F_y(x_1) + F_y(y_2) - F_y(y_1) = ma_y,$$

or in vector form

$$\mathbf{F}_x(x_2) - \mathbf{F}_x(x_1) + \mathbf{F}_x(y_2) - \mathbf{F}_x(y_1) = ma$$

The stress tensor σ



A famous theorem by Cauchy asserts that there exist functions $\sigma_{xx}(x, y)$, $\sigma_{xy}(x, y)$, $\sigma_{yx}(x, y)$, and $\sigma_{yy}(x, y)$ such that

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Question 1

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What is the unit of the stress components $\sigma_{xx}(x, y)$, $\sigma_{xy}(x, y)$, $\sigma_{yx}(x, y)$, and $\sigma_{yy}(x, y)$?

- A) Nm
- B) N
- C) N/m
- D) N/m²
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An important remark σ

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By introducing the matrix (stress tensor)

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx}(x, y) & \sigma_{xy}(x, y) \\ \sigma_{yx}(x, y) & \sigma_{yy}(x, y) \end{bmatrix}.$$

we can rewrite these equations as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}(x_2) &= H \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(x_2, y) \mathbf{n} dy, & \mathbf{F}(x_1) &= -H \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(x_1, y) \mathbf{n} dy, \\ \mathbf{F}(y_2) &= H \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(x, y_2) \mathbf{n} dx, & \mathbf{F}(y_1) &= -H \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(x, y_1) \mathbf{n} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Conservation of angular momentum shows that $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(x, y)$ must be symmetric, i.e. that $\sigma_{xy}(x, y) = \sigma_{yx}(x, y)$

The force balance (2/2)

From the previous slides, we have

$$\mathbf{F}(x_2) - \mathbf{F}(x_1) + \mathbf{F}(y_2) - \mathbf{F}(y_1) = m\mathbf{a}$$

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Using the fundamental theorem of calculus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}_x(x_2) - \mathbf{F}_x(x_1) &= H \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx}(x, y) \\ \sigma_{yx}(x, y) \end{bmatrix} dx dy \\ \mathbf{F}_x(y_2) - \mathbf{F}_x(y_1) &= H \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xy}(x, y) \\ \sigma_{yy}(x, y) \end{bmatrix} dy dx. \end{aligned}$$

We thus find the following equations for the **static force balance**

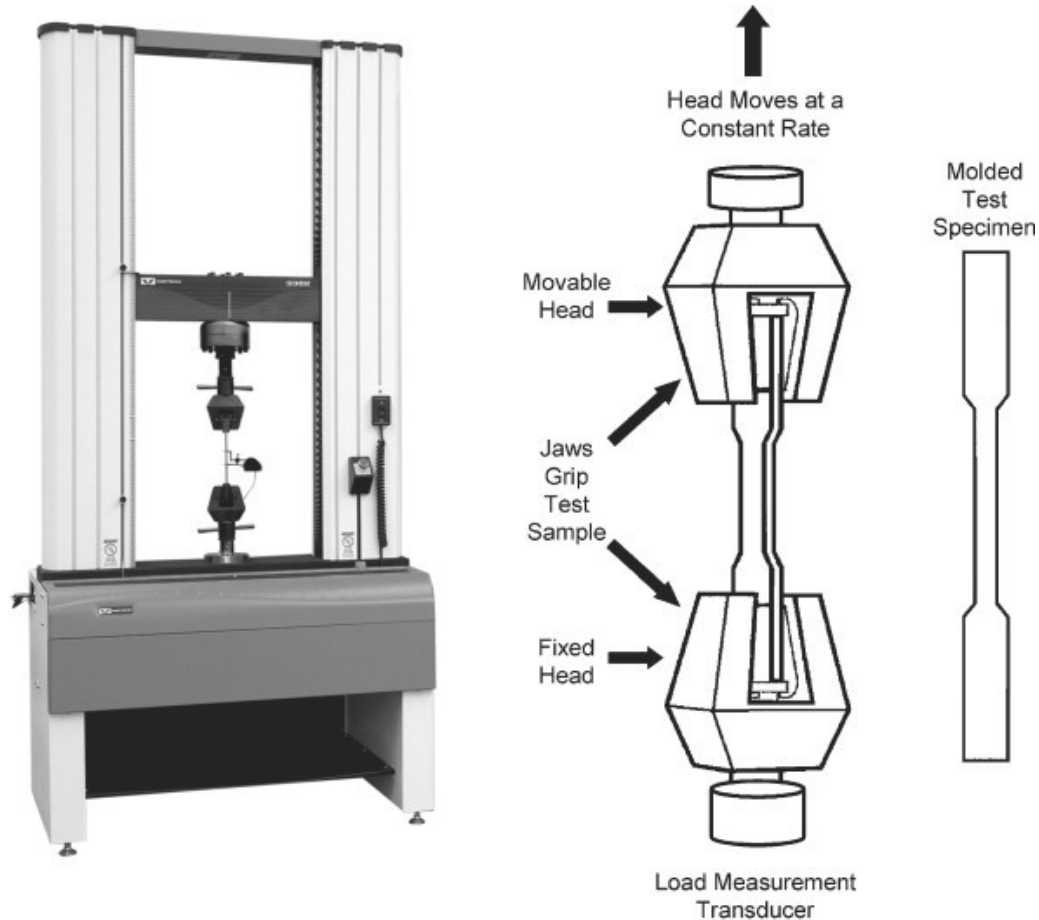
$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{xy}}{\partial y} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} = 0.$$

7.C Material models for linear elasticity

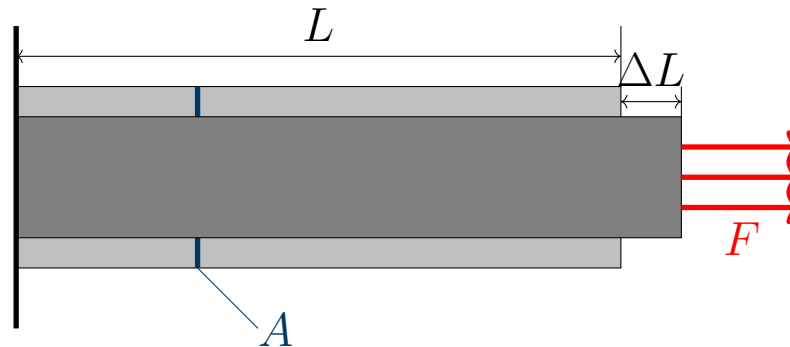


Tensile test

Measure the force F required to extend the specimen at a constant rate $\frac{d}{dt}\Delta L$.



Stress and strain



- ▶ When the cross section of the specimen A is twice as high, the force F (required for the same extension ΔL) will also be twice as high.

Conclusion: The extension ΔL of the rod depends on the **stress**

$$\sigma_{xx} = \frac{F}{A}.$$

- ▶ When the length of the specimen L is twice as big, the extension of the specimen ΔL (for the same force F) will also be twice as high.

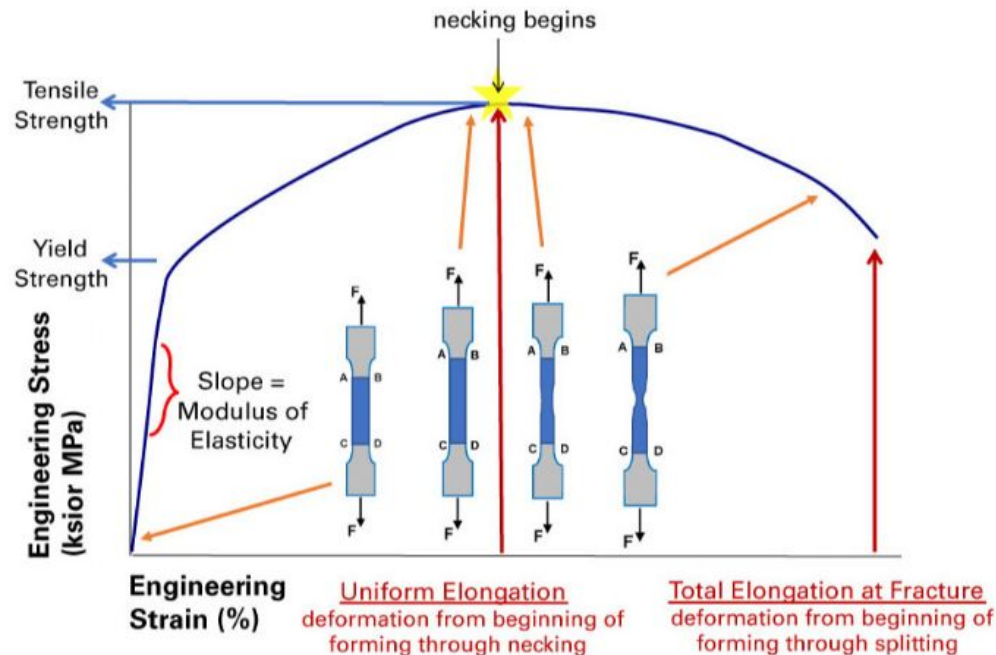
Conclusion: The required force F depends on the **strain**

$$\varepsilon_{xx} = \frac{\Delta L}{L}.$$

Combining these two ideas we conclude:

We in fact measure the relation between stress and strain in the tensile test

Typical measurement in a tensile test



In linear elasticity (small deformations, stress below the yield stress):

$$\sigma_{xx} = E\varepsilon_{xx},$$

where E is the **Young's modulus** (also sometimes the modulus of elasticity).

Note: E only depends on the used material!

Question 2

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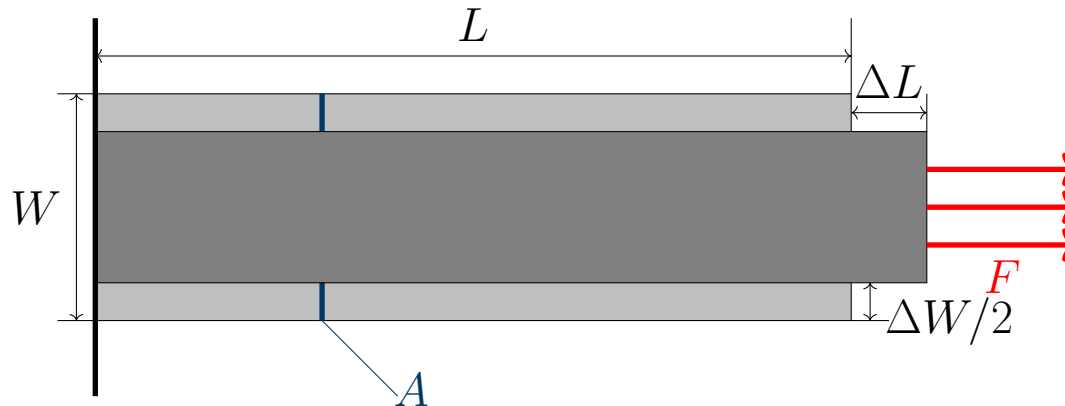
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What is the unit of the Young's modulus E ?

- A) N
- B) N / m
- C) N / m²
- D) N / m³
- E) None of the above.

Poisson's ratio

When we pull the specimen, also the width changes!



- ▶ When the width of the specimen W is twice as big, the change in width ΔW (for the same force F) will also be twice as high.

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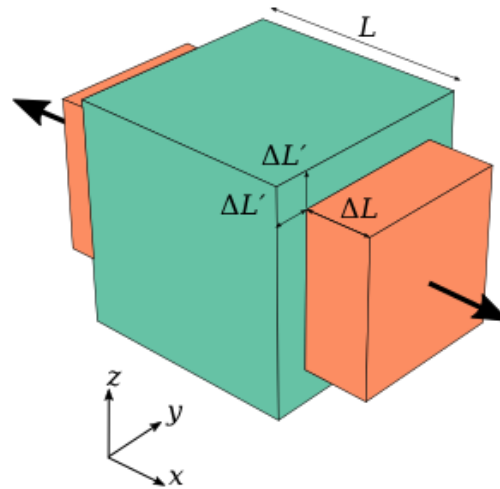
$$\varepsilon_{yy} = \frac{-\Delta W}{W}.$$

We can now define **Poisson's ratio**

$$\nu = \frac{-\varepsilon_{yy}}{\varepsilon_{xx}} = \frac{\Delta W}{\Delta L} \frac{L}{W}$$

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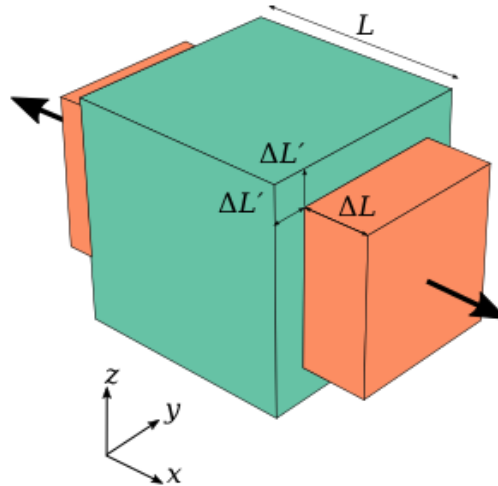


In the **undeformed situation**, the cube is $L \times W \times W$ with volume $V_0 = LW^2$.
Write $\Delta W/2$ for the distance $\Delta L'$ in the picture.

Let V_1 denote the volume of the cube in the **deformed situation**?

- A) $V_1/V_0 = (1 + \varepsilon_{xx})(1 + 2\nu\varepsilon_{xx})$
- B) $V_1/V_0 = (1 + \varepsilon_{xx})(1 - 2\nu\varepsilon_{xx})$
- C) $V_1/V_0 = (1 + \varepsilon_{xx})(1 + \nu\varepsilon_{xx})^2$
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Volume in the deformed situation:

$$V_1 = (L + \Delta L)(W - \Delta W)^2 = L(1 + \varepsilon_{xx})W^2(1 - \varepsilon_{yy})^2 = V_0(1 + \varepsilon_{xx})(1 - \nu\varepsilon_{xx})^2.$$

Make a Taylor series expansion around $\varepsilon_{xx} = 0$,

$$V_1 = V_0(1 + (1 - 2\nu)\varepsilon_{xx}) + O(\varepsilon_{xx}^2).$$

Physical insight: we cannot have that $V_1 < V_0$ when $\varepsilon_{xx} > 0$.

Physical limits for Poisson's ratio

$$0 \leq \nu \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

The material is called **incompressible** when $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$.

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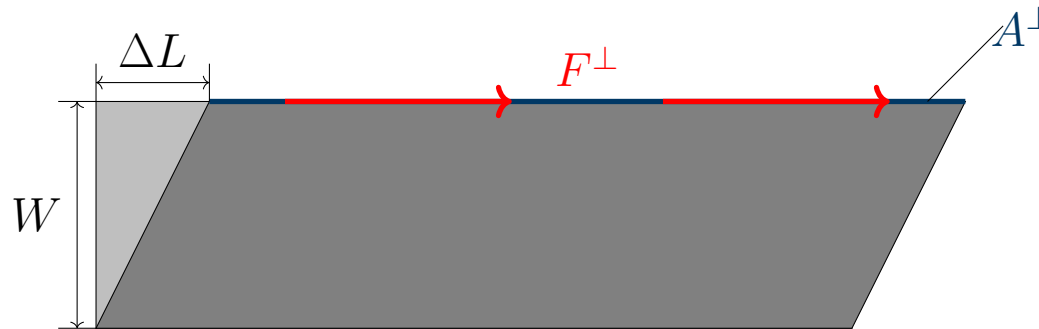
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A second experiment



- ▶ When the cross section of the specimen A^\perp is twice as high, the force F^\perp (required for the same extension ΔL) will also be twice as high.

Conclusion: The extension ΔL of the rod depends on the **shear stress**

$$\sigma_{xy} = \frac{F^\perp}{A^\perp}.$$

- ▶ When the width of the specimen W is twice as big, the extension of the specimen ΔL (for the same force F^\perp) will also be twice as high.

Conclusion: The required force F^\perp depends on the **shear strain**

$$\varepsilon_{xy} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta L}{W}.$$

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We also have the following relations for the shear stresses and shear strains

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xy} \\ \varepsilon_{yz} \\ \varepsilon_{zx} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1 + \nu}{E} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{yz} \\ \sigma_{zx} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Inverting this relation we also find

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{yz} \\ \sigma_{zx} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{E}{1 + \nu} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xy} \\ \varepsilon_{yz} \\ \varepsilon_{zx} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Summary: Material model for an isotropic material (Hooke's law)

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2D simplifications: Plane stress and plane strain

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7.D Equations for linear elasticity



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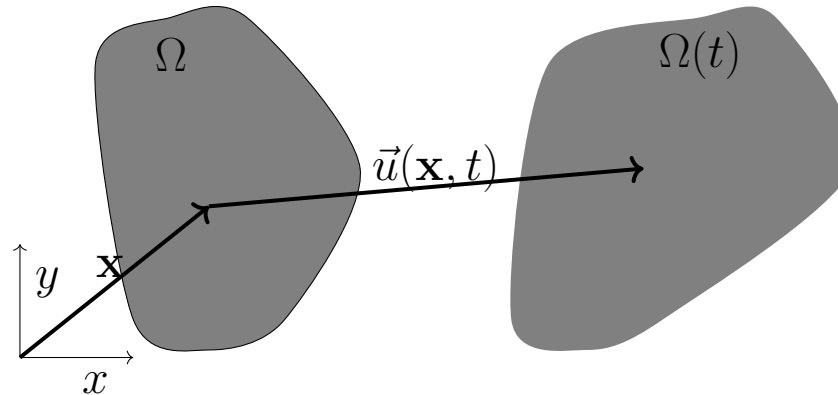
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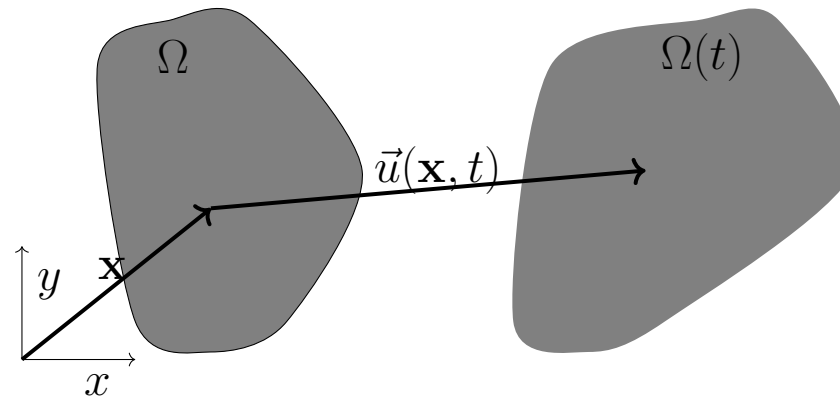
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Strain-displacement relations

We need one more ingredient to close the model.

The strain is related to the gradient of the displacement field.

$$\nabla \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}.$$

The linear strain is just the symmetric part of $\nabla \vec{u}$, i.e.

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} & \varepsilon_{xy} \\ \varepsilon_{yx} & \varepsilon_{yy} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\nabla \vec{u} + (\nabla \vec{u})^\top \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right) \\ \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right) & \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Side remark: linear strain is only valid for small deformations, i.e. when $\nabla \vec{u}$ is small. Otherwise, we should use

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{2} \left((\mathbf{I} + \nabla \vec{u})^\top (\mathbf{I} + \nabla \vec{u}) - \mathbf{I} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\nabla \vec{u} + (\nabla \vec{u})^\top + (\nabla \vec{u})^\top \nabla \vec{u} \right)$$

Resulting equations for a plane-stress problem

► Strain-displacement relations

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} & \varepsilon_{xy} \\ \varepsilon_{yx} & \varepsilon_{yy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right) \\ \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right) & \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}.$$

► Stress-strain relations (material model)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \sigma_{xy} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{E}{1 - \nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - \nu \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} \\ \varepsilon_{yy} \\ \varepsilon_{xy} \end{bmatrix}$$

► Force balance

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{xy}}{\partial y} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} = 0.$$

Note: the structure is similar for all problems elasticity
e.g. geometric nonlinearities, plasticity, visco-elasticity, etc.

Tip 1: for a FE discretization

Derive the weak form of the force balance as follows:

$$\iint_{\Omega} v_x \left(\frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{xy}}{\partial y} \right) d\mathbf{x} = 0, \quad \iint_{\Omega} v_y \left(\frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} \right) d\mathbf{x} = 0.$$

Note the test function \mathbf{v} now also has two components v_x and v_y .

Integration by parts / Green identities now give that

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} v_x \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{xy} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{n} dS - \iint_{\Omega} \left(\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} \sigma_{xx} + \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} \sigma_{xy} \right) d\mathbf{x} = 0,$$

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} v_y \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{yx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{n} dS - \iint_{\Omega} \left(\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x} \sigma_{yx} + \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} \sigma_{yy} \right) d\mathbf{x} = 0.$$

Important observation:

the boundary terms now contain the forces applied at the boundary!

So if an edge is 'free', i.e. no force is applied, the corresponding boundary term vanishes.

If we have a prescribed force at the boundary, we can insert it in the weak form.

Tip 2: Galerkin discretization of vector-valued functions

For a scalar-valued function $u(x, y)$, we can use the approximation

$$u(x, y) = \mathbf{N}(x, y)\mathbf{u}.$$

Two options for a vector valued case:

► Option 1:

$$\vec{u}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(x, y) \\ u_y(x, y) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}(x, y)\mathbf{u}_x \\ \mathbf{N}(x, y)\mathbf{u}_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}(x, y) & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{N}(x, y) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_x \\ \mathbf{u}_y \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{xN} \\ u_{y1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{yN} \end{bmatrix}$$

► Option 2:

$$\vec{u}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}_1(x, y) & 0 & \mathbf{N}_2(x, y) & 0 & \cdots & \mathbf{N}_N(x, y) & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{N}_1(x, y) & 0 & \mathbf{N}_2(x, y) & \cdots & 0 & \mathbf{N}_N(x, y) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{xN} \\ u_{yN} \end{bmatrix}$$

The second option is preferred from a numerical point of view, because nonzero elements in the matrices are closer to the diagonal.