

Derivation of the weak form

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- $\vec{\sigma}$: stress tensor $\text{div}(\cdot) \hat{=} \nabla \cdot (\cdot)$
- \vec{w} : vector of test functions $\text{grad}(\cdot) \hat{=} \nabla(\cdot)$
- \vec{n} : Normal vector
- λ, μ : Lamé-constants
- \vec{u} : Displacement vector
- \vec{I} : Identity tensor
- \vec{t} : Surface-traction vector

Equilibrium Conditions:

$$\text{div}(\vec{\sigma}) = \vec{0}$$

Multiplying with a vector of test functions and integrating over the domain:

$$\int_V \vec{w} \cdot \text{div}(\vec{\sigma}) dV = 0$$

Using Green's formular/integration by parts

$$\int_V \text{grad}(\vec{w}) \cdot \vec{\sigma} dV - \int_A \vec{w} \cdot (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{n}) dA = 0$$

Using Hooke's Law to express σ in terms of displacements:

$$\int_V \nabla w \cdot \left[\lambda (\nabla \cdot u) \vec{I} + \mu (\nabla u + (\nabla u)^T) \right] dV = \int_A w \cdot t dA$$

$$\int_V \text{grad}(\vec{w}) \cdot \left[\lambda \text{div}(\vec{u}) \vec{I} + \mu [\text{grad}(\vec{u}) + (\text{grad}(\vec{u}))^T] \right] dV = \int_A \vec{w} \cdot \vec{t} dA$$

In Comsol I am inserting the left-hand-side term as a weak form - this will be of interest in the next section.

Evaluating the differential operators in cylindrical/axial symmetric coordinates:

$$\text{grad}(\vec{w}) = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial w_r}{\partial r} & \frac{1}{r} \left(\frac{\partial w_r}{\partial \phi} - w_\phi \right) & \frac{\partial w_r}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial w_\phi}{\partial r} & \frac{1}{r} \left(\frac{\partial w_\phi}{\partial \phi} + w_r \right) & \frac{\partial w_\phi}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial r} & \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial \phi} & \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{cylindrical}} \underbrace{=}_{\text{axial symmetry}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial w_r}{\partial r} & 0 & \frac{\partial w_r}{\partial z} \\ 0 & \frac{w_r}{r} & 0 \\ \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial r} & 0 & \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\vec{e}_r, \vec{e}_\phi, \vec{e}_z}_{\vec{e}_r, \vec{e}_\phi, \vec{e}_z}$$

$$\text{div}(\vec{u}) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r u_r)}_{\text{cylindrical}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u_\phi}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z}}_{\text{axial symmetry}} = \frac{u_r}{r} + \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z}$$

Inserting these relations into the equations gives:

$$\int_V \left[\lambda \left(\frac{w_r}{r} + \frac{\partial w_r}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial z} \right) \left(\frac{u_r}{r} + \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} \right) \right]$$

$$+ \mu \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial w_r}{\partial r} & 0 & \frac{\partial w_r}{\partial z} \\ 0 & \frac{w_r}{r} & 0 \\ \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial r} & 0 & \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r} & 0 & \left(\frac{\partial u_r}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial r} \right) \\ 0 & 2 \frac{u_r}{r} & 0 \\ \left(\frac{\partial u_r}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial r} \right) & 0 & 2 \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} dV$$

$$= \int_V \left[\frac{w_r}{r} \left(\lambda \frac{u_r}{r} + \lambda \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r} + \lambda \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} + 2\mu \frac{u_r}{r} \right) + \frac{\partial w_r}{\partial r} \left(\lambda \frac{u_r}{r} + \lambda \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r} + \lambda \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} + 2\mu \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r} \right) + \mu \frac{\partial w_r}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial u_r}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial r} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \mu \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial r} \left(\frac{\partial u_r}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial w_z}{\partial z} \left(\lambda \frac{u_r}{r} + \lambda \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r} + \lambda \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} + 2\mu \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} \right) \right] dV$$

In Comsol-Notation this gives ($u_r = u_1$, $u_z = u_2$):

$$\int_V \left[\frac{\text{test}(u_1)}{r} \left((\lambda + 2\mu) \frac{u_1}{r} + \lambda (u_{1r} + u_{2z}) \right) + \text{test}(u_{1r}) \left((\lambda + 2\mu) u_{1r} + \lambda \left(\frac{u_1}{r} + u_{2z} \right) \right) + \mu \text{test}(u_{1z}) (u_{1z} + u_{2r}) \right. \\ \left. + \mu \text{test}(u_{2r}) (u_{1z} + u_{2r}) + \text{test}(u_{2z}) \left((\lambda + 2\mu) u_{2z} + \lambda \left(\frac{u_1}{r} + u_{1r} \right) \right) \right] dV$$

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