

Kinematics - Solution

1 Eulerian and Lagrangian frameworks

Consider the following 2D deformation:

$$x_1(t) = \cosh(t)X_1 + \sinh(t)X_2, \quad x_2(t) = \sinh(t)X_1 + \cosh(t)X_2.$$

- (i) Find the material velocity and the acceleration \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{A} and express their spatial forms \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{a} . Remember to represent each field in the proper coordinates (i.e. \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{A} in terms of \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{a} in terms of \mathbf{x}). Plot schematically \mathbf{V} and \mathbf{v} at $t = -10, 0, 10$. Note how vastly different \mathbf{V} and \mathbf{v} are!

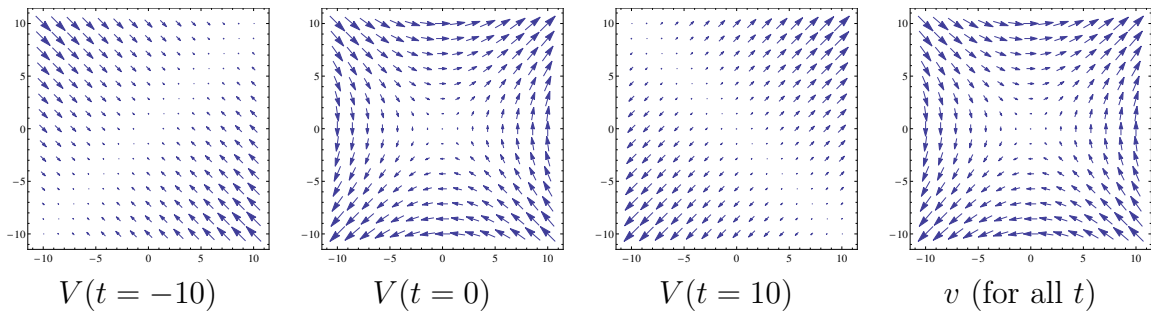
Solution

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sinh(t)X_1 + \cosh(t)X_2 \\ \cosh(t)X_1 + \sinh(t)X_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that this can be simply expressed as $\begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix}$, so we also found $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Similarly,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh(t)X_1 + \sinh(t)X_2 \\ \sinh(t)X_1 + \cosh(t)X_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and } \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$



Note that \mathbf{V} changes exponentially in time while \mathbf{v} is constant (!!). This goes to show how different things may look like if they're presented as a function of \mathbf{X} or \mathbf{x} .

- (ii) The acceleration \mathbf{a} can also be calculated as a material derivative of the velocity:

$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{v}.$$

Calculate \mathbf{a} using this expression, and show that the results coincide.

Solution

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{v} = \vec{0} + (v_1 \partial_{x_1} + v_2 \partial_{x_2}) \mathbf{v} = (x_2 \partial_{x_1} + x_1 \partial_{x_2}) \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(iii) Calculate $\mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{X}}$ and $J = \det \mathbf{F}$.

Solution

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_{X_1} x_1 & \partial_{X_2} x_1 \\ \partial_{X_1} x_2 & \partial_{X_2} x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh(t) & \sinh(t) \\ \sinh(t) & \cosh(t) \end{pmatrix},$$

and clearly $J = \det \mathbf{F} = 1$.

(iv) Calculate the Green-Lagrange strain tensor \mathbf{E} , and the Euler-Almansi strain tensor \mathbf{e} , and show that the results coincide.

Solution

We know that the Green-Lagrange strain tensor is expressed as $\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F} - \mathbf{I})$. Taking \mathbf{F} from the previous section, we obtain

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} \sinh^2(t) & \sinh(t) \cosh(t) \\ \sinh(t) \cosh(t) & \sinh^2(t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

To obtain the Euler-Almansi strain tensor \mathbf{e} , we can either express the X 's in terms of x 's, giving $X_1 = \cosh(t)x_1 - \sinh(t)x_2$, and $X_2 = -\sinh(t)x_1 + \cosh(t)x_2$ — this is the inverse mapping ϕ^{-1} . Next, we define \mathbf{f} to be the “equivalent” of \mathbf{F} only in the Eulerian frame, as $\mathbf{f} \equiv \frac{\partial \phi^{-1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$. It takes the form

$$\mathbf{f} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh(t) & -\sinh(t) \\ -\sinh(t) & \cosh(t) \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{F}^{-1}.$$

From here its rather easy to see that

$$\mathbf{e} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{f}) = \begin{pmatrix} -\sinh^2(t) & \sinh(t) \cosh(t) \\ \sinh(t) \cosh(t) & -\sinh^2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{F}^{-T} \mathbf{F}^{-1}).$$

Note that \mathbf{E} is given in the *Lagrangian* frame in terms of X 's, while \mathbf{e} is given in the *Eulerian* frame in terms of the x 's (though the coordinates are absent for the motion given in this question).

To finally convince ourselves that we have the same “objects” here, lets look at the eigenvalues Λ of \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{e} . For \mathbf{E} , we have $\Lambda_{\mathbf{E}} = \frac{1}{2} (e^{\pm 2t} - 1)$, while for \mathbf{e} we have $\Lambda_{\mathbf{e}} = \frac{1}{2} (1 - e^{\pm 2t})$. We expect $\Lambda_{\mathbf{E}} = \frac{1}{2} (\lambda^2 - 1)$ (Eq.(5) from TA 1), so that $\lambda = e^{\pm t}$. Then for $\Lambda_{\mathbf{e}}$ we should have $\Lambda_{\mathbf{e}} = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \lambda^{-2})$ (Eq.(6) from TA 1) which is exactly the relation we have here.

2 Apparent contradictions

Solve these apparent contradictions:

- (i) One may claim that $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{v} \equiv 0$ because

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{v} = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial \delta_{ij}}{\partial t} = 0 ,$$

is this true (hint: no)? What is wrong with this reasoning?

Solution

$\partial_t(\cdot)$ is defined to be $\left. \frac{\partial(\cdot)}{\partial t} \right|_{\mathbf{X}}$. Thus, ∂_t and ∂_x do not commute, but ∂_t and ∂_X do. To see this more explicitly, note that the expression $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{v}$ is actually shorthand for

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \partial_t \varphi(\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{x}, t), t)$$

so you see that \mathbf{x} is also time dependent.

- (ii) Throughout the course, we use the fact that $D_t \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v}$. One may claim that there's a factor of 2 missing, since

$$D_t \mathbf{x} \equiv \partial_t \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v} \mathbf{I} = 2\mathbf{v} .$$

Is this true (hint: no)? What is wrong with this reasoning?

Solution

Remind yourselves the derivation of the equation for the material derivative, Eqs. (3.7-8) in Eran's notes:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Df(\mathbf{x}, t)}{Dt} &= \left(\frac{\partial f(\varphi(\mathbf{X}, t), t)}{\partial t} \right)_{\mathbf{X}=\varphi^{-1}(\mathbf{x}, t)} \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} \right)_{\mathbf{x}} + \left(\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right)_t \left(\frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{X}, t)}{\partial t} \right)_{\mathbf{X}=\varphi^{-1}(\mathbf{x}, t)} . \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

That is, in the above we should interpret $\partial_t \mathbf{x}$ as the time derivative of \mathbf{x} when \mathbf{x} is kept constant. In other words, it is strictly zero.

3 Invertibility of the deformation gradient

We use quite freely in class \mathbf{F}^{-1} and \mathbf{F}^{-T} and so on. What is the physical meaning of the assumption that \mathbf{F} is always an invertible matrix?

Solution

$\det \mathbf{F}$ is the ratio of an infinitesimal volume element in the material coordinates to its volume in the deformed configuration. If \mathbf{F} is non invertible, i.e. $\det \mathbf{F} = 0$, then the motion takes an infinitesimal volume and “squishes” it to a plane (or a line, or a point). That is, if \mathbf{F} is non-invertible the motion maps a triad of basis vectors in the material coordinates $\{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{X}_3\}$ to a linearly dependent set $\{\mathbf{F}\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{F}\mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{F}\mathbf{X}_3\}$ and the images of the basis vectors are co-planar and do not span a volume. Since we do not allow such a situation (what would you do with mass conservation then?), we assume that \mathbf{F} is invertible.

Note that demanding that \mathbf{F} is invertible is a stronger assumption than assuming that φ is invertible. Consider the motion

$$x_1 = X_1^3, \quad x_2 = X_2, \quad x_3 = X_3.$$

This is clearly an invertible motion but $\det \mathbf{F}$ vanishes at $\mathbf{X} = 0$.

A side note for the rigorous-mathematics-oriented students: We just saw that the fact that φ is invertible does not imply that \mathbf{F} is invertible. However, the other direction kind of works: the inverse-function theorem says that if $\det \mathbf{F} \neq 0$ then φ is *locally* invertible (i.e. that if $\det \mathbf{F} \neq 0$ at a point then there’s a small environment around this point where φ is invertible).

4 Spherical cavity

Consider a material that fills the whole space, except for a spherical cavity of initial radius Q , centered at the origin. At time $t = 0$ an explosive is detonated in the cavity and its radius varies as some specified function $q(t)$, resulting in a sphero-symmetric motion. That is, the motion is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}(t) &= \frac{r(t)}{R} \mathbf{X} = \frac{f(R, t)}{R} \mathbf{X}, \\ r(t) &= f(R, t) = |\mathbf{x}(R, t)|, \\ R(\mathbf{X}) &= |\mathbf{X}|, \\ f(R = Q, t) &= q(t). \end{aligned}$$

(i) Show that the deformation gradient is given by

$$\mathbf{F} = \nabla_{\mathbf{X}} \mathbf{x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial R} \hat{\mathbf{r}} \otimes \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \frac{f}{R} (\hat{\phi} \otimes \hat{\phi} + \hat{\theta} \otimes \hat{\theta}), \quad (2)$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{r}} = R^{-1} \mathbf{X} = r^{-1} \mathbf{x}$, and $\hat{\theta}, \hat{\phi}$ are the spherical unit vectors.

Hints:

- For a spherically symmetric function $g(r)$, $\nabla_{\mathbf{X}} g = \frac{\partial g}{\partial R} \hat{\mathbf{r}}$.
- $\mathbf{I} = \sum_i \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_i$ for any set $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$ of orthonormal vectors.

Solution

Direct calculation gives simply

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{F} &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{x} = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{f(\mathbf{X}, t)}{R} \mathbf{X} = \frac{\mathbf{X}}{R} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f + f \mathbf{X} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \left(\frac{1}{R} \right) + \frac{f}{R} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{X} \\
 &= \frac{\mathbf{X}}{R} \otimes \partial_R f \hat{\mathbf{r}} + f \mathbf{X} \otimes \left(-\frac{\hat{\mathbf{r}}}{R^2} \right) + \frac{f}{R} \mathbf{I} \\
 &= \partial_R f \hat{\mathbf{r}} \otimes \hat{\mathbf{r}} + f \hat{\mathbf{r}} \otimes \left(-\frac{\hat{\mathbf{r}}}{R} \right) + \frac{f}{R} (\hat{\mathbf{r}} \otimes \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \otimes \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \otimes \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \\
 &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial R} \hat{\mathbf{r}} \otimes \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \frac{f}{R} (\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \otimes \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \otimes \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})
 \end{aligned}$$

Where the 3rd line is obtained by the definition $\hat{\mathbf{r}} \equiv \mathbf{X}/R$.

(ii) If the motion is isochoric (volume-preserving), show that

$$f(R, t) = \sqrt[3]{R^3 + q(t)^3 - Q^3} .$$

You can show that either by using Eq.(2) to calculate the volume change, or by direct computation without going knowing the explicit form of \mathbf{F} (doing both is better!).

Solution

If the motion is volume-preserving, then

$$\det \mathbf{F} = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial R} \right) \left(\frac{f}{R} \right)^2 = 1$$

which can be written as a differential equation for f :

$$f^2 df = R^2 dR \quad \Rightarrow \quad f(R)^3 = R^3 + C$$

where C is an integration constant. Since $f(R=Q) = q$, we can get the value of C :

$$f(Q)^3 = Q^3 + C = q^3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad C = q^3 - Q^3$$

and we conclude that

$$f(R) = (R^3 + q^3 - Q^3)^{1/3} .$$

The other way of doing this is as follows. Before the expansion, the volume inside a sphere of radius $R > Q$ was

$$\frac{4\pi}{3} (R^3 - Q^3) .$$

At time t , the volume is

$$\frac{4\pi}{3} (f(R, t)^3 - f(Q, t)^3) = \frac{4\pi}{3} (f(R, t)^3 - q^3)$$

Equating the two, we have

$$f^3 = R^3 + q^3 - Q^3$$

as needed.

(iii) Calculate \mathbf{v} , expressed in terms of q and $\partial_t q(t)$.

Solution

Since $\mathbf{x} = \frac{f(R,t)}{R} \mathbf{X}$, we have $\partial_t \mathbf{x} = \partial_t f \frac{\mathbf{X}}{R} = \partial_t f \hat{\mathbf{r}}$. From our formula for f we have

$$\partial_t f = \frac{1}{3} (R^3 + q^3 - Q^3)^{-2/3} (3q^2) \partial_t q = f^{-2} q^2 \partial_t q$$

Substituting, we get

$$\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{X}, t) = \left(\frac{q}{f(|\mathbf{X}|, t)} \right)^2 \partial_t q \hat{\mathbf{r}}$$

Switching to the spatial coordinates, we simply use $|\mathbf{x}| = f$ to get

$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \left(\frac{q}{|\mathbf{x}|} \right)^2 \partial_t q \hat{\mathbf{r}}$$

5 Acceleration, stress and force fields

Solve these two *unrelated* questions:

(i) Consider the following velocity field \mathbf{v} in the Eulerian description:

$$\mathbf{v} = C e^{-at} (x^3 + xy^2, -x^2y - y^3, 0)^T, \quad (3)$$

where C and a are constants. Find the acceleration \mathbf{a} at point $(1, 1, 0)$ at time $t=0$

Solution

As mentioned in the first question, we can calculate the acceleration from $\mathbf{a} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{v}$. Doing this, we get

$$\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, t) = C e^{-2at} \begin{pmatrix} -x(x^2 + y^2) [ae^{at} + C(y^2 - 3x^2)] \\ y(x^2 + y^2) [ae^{at} - C(x^2 - 3y^2)] \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Evaluating this at $(1, 1, 0)$ at time 0 we get

$$\mathbf{a}(x=1, y=1, z=0, t=0) = 2C \begin{pmatrix} 2C - a \\ 2C + a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(ii) If the stress field is given by the matrix:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = C \begin{pmatrix} x^2y & (a^2 - y^2)x & 0 \\ (a^2 - y^2)x & \frac{1}{3}(y^2 - 3a^2y) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2az^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4)$$

find the body force field necessary for the stress field to be in equilibrium.

Solution

To satisfy the static momentum balance equation we demand $\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{b} = 0$, that is $\mathbf{b} = -\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$. We obtain

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{y}{3}(2 - 3y) \\ -4az \end{pmatrix} .$$