

# Continuum mechanics

## II. Kinematics in curvilinear coordinates

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### 1. Strain in cartesian coordinates (recapitulation)

- **Green strain tensor:** Lagrange formulation

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x^j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x^i} + \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial u^k}{\partial x^j} \right)$$

- **Cauchy strain tensor:** linearized strain for small deformations

$$e_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x^j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x^i} \right)$$

- **Almansi strain tensor:** Euler formulation

$$\mathcal{E}_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial y^j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial y^i} - \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial y^i} \frac{\partial u^k}{\partial y^j} \right)$$

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# 1. Strain in curvilinear coordinates

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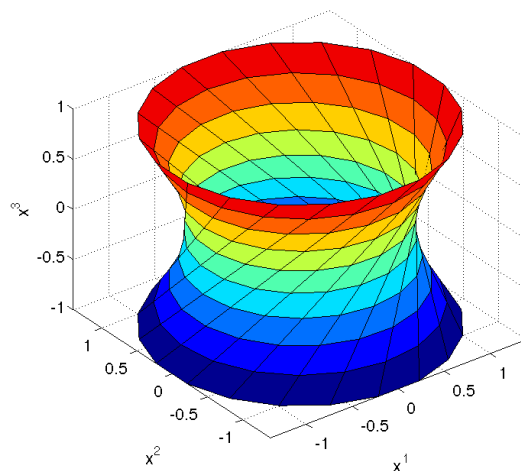
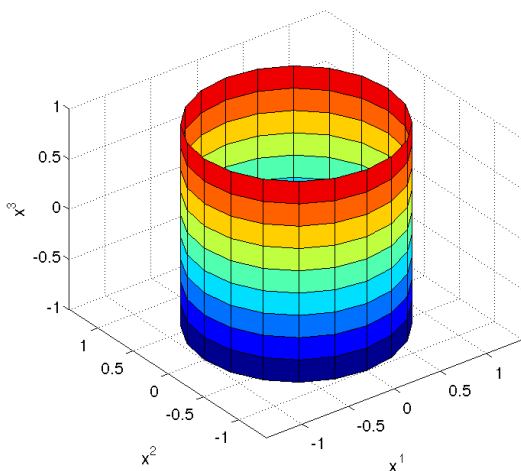
$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \nabla_j u_i + \nabla_i u_j + \nabla_i u_k \cdot \nabla_j u^k \right)$$

- **Cauchy strain tensor:** linearized strain for small deformations

$$e_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_j u_i + \nabla_i u_j)$$

## 2. Example of using curvilinear coordinates

A rotational cylinder is being deformed into a rotational hyperboloid. Calculate the Cauchy strain tensor.



It's advantageous to use the cylindrical coordinates:

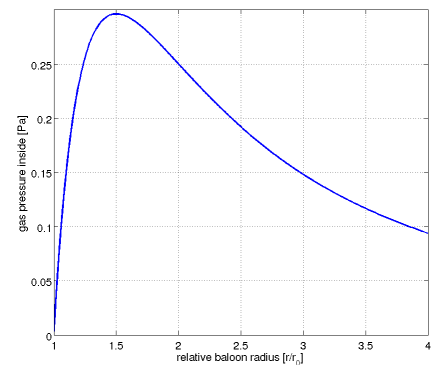
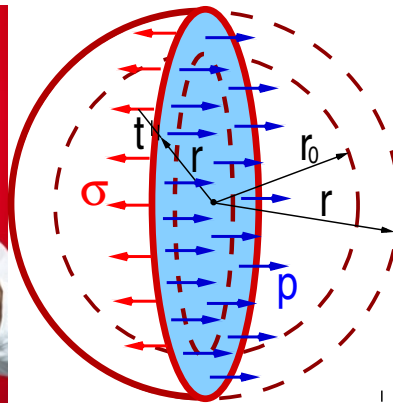
$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \cos \xi^2 \\ \xi^1 \sin \xi^2 \\ \xi^3 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \left( \cos \xi^2 - \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \sin \xi^2 \right) \\ \xi^1 \left( \sin \xi^2 + \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \cos \xi^2 \right) \\ \xi^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 2. Example of using curvilinear coordinates

### Advantages of using curvilinear coordinates:

- Simpler analytical formulae for particular deformation modes and particular geometries
- Better intuitive understanding of deformation modes
- Particularly useful for shells and membranes or anisotropic materials

### Remember the inflated balloon demonstration?



## 3. Cauchy strain in cylindrical coordinates

### Cauchy strain in curvilinear coordinates:

$$e_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_i u_j + \nabla_j u_i)$$

### Covariant derivative:

$$\nabla_j u_i = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial \xi^j} - \Gamma_{ij}^\ell u_\ell$$

### Cylindrical coordinates:

$$\mathbf{x}(\xi^1, \xi^2, \xi^3) = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \cos \xi^2 \\ \xi^1 \sin \xi^2 \\ \xi^3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad [g_{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (\xi^1)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Christoffel symbols of 2nd kind: for cylindrical coordinates

$$\Gamma_{22}^1 = -\xi^1, \quad \Gamma_{12}^2 = \Gamma_{21}^2 = \frac{1}{\xi^1}, \quad \Gamma_{ij}^\ell = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

### 3. Cauchy strain in cylindrical coordinates

$$e_{11} = \nabla_1 u_1 = \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \xi^1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_{12} &= \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_1 u_2 + \nabla_2 u_1) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \xi^1} - \Gamma_{21}^2 u_2 + \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \xi^2} - \Gamma_{12}^2 u_2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \xi^1} + \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \xi^2} - \frac{2}{\xi^1} u_2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$e_{13} = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_1 u_3 + \nabla_3 u_1) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial \xi^1} + \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \xi^3} \right]$$

$$e_{22} = \nabla_2 u_2 = \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \xi^2} - \Gamma_{22}^1 u_1 = \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \xi^2} + \xi^1 u_1$$

$$e_{23} = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_2 u_3 + \nabla_3 u_2) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \xi^3} \right]$$

$$e_{33} = \nabla_3 u_3 = \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial \xi^3}$$

Note that physical units of  $e_{ij}$  are quite inhomogeneous here!



### 3. Cauchy strain in cylindrical coordinates

Non-homogeneity of physical units for  $e_{ij}$  and  $u_i$

**Units of cylindrical coordinates:**  $\xi^1$  in  $[m]$ ,  $\xi^2$  in  $[rad]$ ,  $\xi^3$  in  $[m]$ .

**Covariant basis:**  $\mathbf{g}_i = \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \xi^i}$ :

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{g}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \xi^2 \\ \sin \xi^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{in } [1]}, \quad \underbrace{\mathbf{g}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -\xi^1 \sin \xi^2 \\ \xi^1 \cos \xi^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{in } [m]}, \quad \underbrace{\mathbf{g}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{in } [1]}$$

**Contravariant basis:**

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{g}^1 = \mathbf{g}_1}_{\text{in } [1]}, \quad \underbrace{\mathbf{g}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\xi^1} \sin \xi^2 \\ \frac{1}{\xi^1} \cos \xi^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{in } [1/m]}, \quad \underbrace{\mathbf{g}^3 = \mathbf{g}_3}_{\text{in } [1]}$$



### 3. Cauchy strain in cylindrical coordinates

Non-homogeneity of physical units for  $e_{ij}$  and  $u_i$

**Units for  $u^i$  and  $u_i$ :** displacement  $\mathbf{u} = u^i \mathbf{g}_i = u_i \mathbf{g}^i$  should be in  $[m]$ :

coordinate	its unit	coordinate	its unit
$u^1$	$[m]$	$u_1$	$[m]$
$u^2$	$[1]$	$u_2$	$[m^2]$
$u^3$	$[m]$	$u_3$	$[m]$

**Hence, units for  $e_{ij}$ :**

coordinate	its unit	coordinate	its unit
$e_{11}$	$[1]$	$e_{22}$	$[m^2]$
$e_{12}$	$[m]$	$e_{23}$	$[m]$
$e_{13}$	$[1]$	$e_{33}$	$[1]$

#### Correction of unit inhomogeneity:

introduction of **physical components**  $e_{(ij)}$  and  $u_{(i)}$  by:

$$e_{ij} = \sqrt{g_{ii} \cdot g_{jj}} \cdot e_{(ij)} \quad \text{and} \quad u_i = \sqrt{g_{ii}} \cdot u_{(i)}$$



### 3. Cauchy strain in cylindrical coordinates

Transforming covariant components to physical components

**For cylindrical coordinates:**

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} e_{11} = e_{(11)} & e_{21} = \xi^1 \cdot e_{(21)} & e_{31} = e_{(31)} \\ e_{12} = \xi^1 \cdot e_{(12)} & e_{22} = (\xi^1)^2 \cdot e_{(22)} & e_{32} = \xi^1 \cdot e_{(32)} \\ e_{13} = e_{(13)} & e_{23} = \xi^1 \cdot e_{(23)} & e_{33} = e_{(33)} \end{array}$$

$$u_1 = u_{(1)} \rightarrow \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \xi^j} = \frac{\partial u_{(1)}}{\partial \xi^j}$$

$$u_2 = \xi^1 \cdot u_{(2)} \rightarrow \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \xi^1} = u_{(2)} + \xi^1 \frac{\partial u_{(2)}}{\partial \xi^1}, \quad \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \xi^2} = \xi^1 \frac{\partial u_{(2)}}{\partial \xi^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \xi^3} = \xi^1 \frac{\partial u_{(2)}}{\partial \xi^3}$$

$$u_3 = u_{(3)} \rightarrow \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial \xi^j} = \frac{\partial u_{(3)}}{\partial \xi^j}$$

**Physical components in cylindrical coordinates** usually written

$$u_{(1)} = u_r, \quad u_{(2)} = u_\theta, \quad u_{(3)} = u_z$$

$$e_{(11)} = e_{rr}, \quad e_{(12)} = e_{r\theta}, \quad e_{(23)} = e_{\theta z}, \quad \dots$$



### 3. Cauchy strain in cylindrical coordinates

Transforming covariant components to physical components

$$e_{rr} = \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r}$$

$$e_{r\theta} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_\theta}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial \theta} - \frac{u_\theta}{r} \right)$$

$$e_{rz} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$e_{\theta\theta} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{u_r}{r}$$

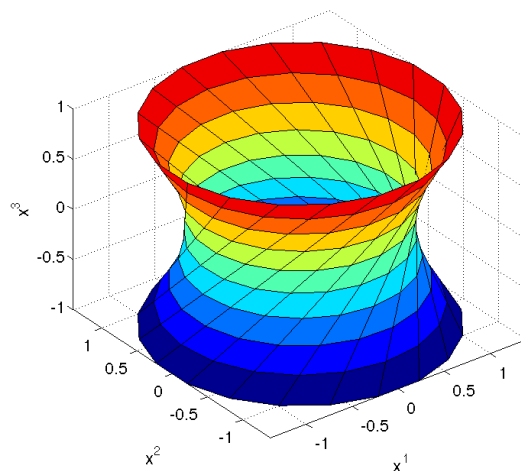
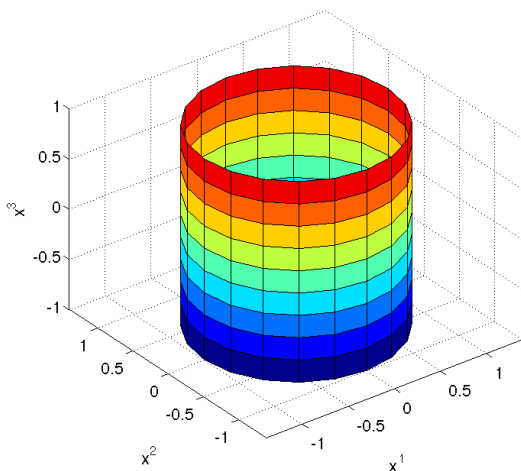
$$e_{\theta z} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial u_\theta}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$e_{zz} = \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z}$$



### 4. Back to cylinder → hyperboloid

A rotational cylinder is being deformed into a rotational hyperboloid. Calculate the Cauchy strain tensor.



Use the cylindrical coordinates:

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \left( \cos \xi^2 - \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \sin \xi^2 \right) \\ \xi^1 \left( \sin \xi^2 + \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \cos \xi^2 \right) \\ \xi^3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \cos \xi^2 \\ \xi^1 \sin \xi^2 \\ \xi^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\xi^1 \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \sin \xi^2 \\ \xi^1 \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \cos \xi^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



## 4. Back to cylinder $\rightarrow$ hyperboloid

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -\xi^1 \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \sin \xi^2 \\ \xi^1 \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \cos \xi^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos \xi^2 \\ \sin \xi^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{g}^1} + (\xi^1)^2 \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\xi^1} \sin \xi^2 \\ \frac{1}{\xi^1} \cos \xi^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{g}^2} + 0 \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{g}^3}$$

Hence

$$u_1 = u_3 = 0 \quad , \quad u_2 = (\xi^1)^2 \frac{\xi^3}{Z} \quad \text{and} \quad u_{(2)} = u_\theta = \xi^1 \frac{\xi^3}{Z}$$

**Resulting Cauchy strain:**

$$e_{rr} = e_{r\theta} = e_{rz} = e_{\theta\theta} = e_{zz} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad e_{\theta z} = \frac{r}{2Z}$$

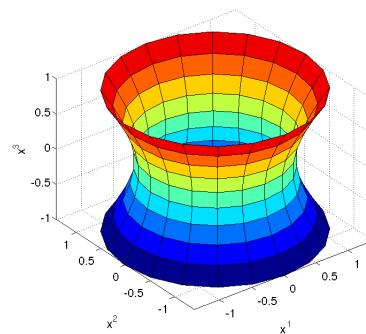
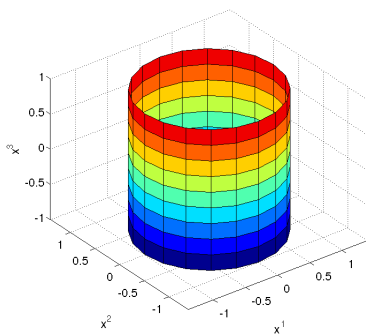
ie. pure shear (ie. distortion of angles) in the  $(\theta, z)$  tangent-plane.

## 5. Yet another cylinder $\rightarrow$ hyperboloid example

But different from the previous one!

**A rotational cylinder is being deformed into a rotational hyperboloid in the following way (in cylindrical coordinates):**

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \cos \xi^2 \\ \xi^1 \sin \xi^2 \\ \xi^3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\xi^3}{Z}\right)^2} \cos \xi^2 \\ \xi^1 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\xi^3}{Z}\right)^2} \sin \xi^2 \\ \xi^3 \end{pmatrix}$$



**The resulting shape is the same, but the deformation tensor is different! Why?**