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Emerging multiyield behavior of elastoplastic beams and plates

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Constitutive laws

 $\varepsilon = \varepsilon^e + \varepsilon^p$ $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = 2\mu\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^e + \lambda(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^e:\boldsymbol{\delta})\,\boldsymbol{\delta}$ $\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\sigma}$: $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \leq \frac{2}{3}R^2$ $K_R = \{ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} ; \, \mathbf{D} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} : \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \leq \frac{2}{3} R^2 \}$ $\left. \begin{array}{c} \dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^{p} \in \partial I_{K_{R}}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \partial M_{K_{R}^{*}}(\dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^{p}) \end{array} \right\}$

Elastic and plastic strain components Isotropic Hooke's strain-stress law δ ... Kronecker tensor μ, λ ... Lamé's constants von Mises yield criterion $\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \frac{1}{3}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}: \boldsymbol{\delta}) \delta$... stress deviator

admissible stress domain

von Mises flow rule

Special case of beams

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} E \,\varepsilon_{11}^e & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\sigma} = E \,\varepsilon_{11}^e \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Hooke's law $E>0 \ \dots$ Young elasticity modulus

Yield condition $E\left|arepsilon_{11}^e
ight|\leq R$

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^{p} = \frac{3}{2} \, \dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}_{11}^{p} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & -\frac{1}{3} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Flow rule $\dot{\varepsilon}_{11}^{p} \left(E \, \varepsilon_{11}^{e} - \tilde{\sigma} \right) \ge 0 \quad \text{for all} \quad |\tilde{\sigma}| \le R$ $\varepsilon_{11}^{p} + \varepsilon_{11}^{e} = -z \, w_{xx}(x, t)$

Given a parameter r > 0, a function $\varepsilon : [0,T] \to \mathbb{R}$, and an initial condition $\sigma^0 \in [-r,r]$, we look for functions $\sigma, \xi : [0,T] \to \mathbb{R}$ such that $\sigma(0) = \sigma^0$, and



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The stop operator – continuation

Initial condition

$$\sigma^0 = \max\{-r, \min\{r, \varepsilon(0)\}\}$$

corresponds to the reference initial state with no previous loading history.

 $\sigma(t) + \xi(t) = \varepsilon(t)$ $|\sigma(t)| \le r$ $\dot{\xi}(t) (\sigma(t) - \tilde{\sigma}) \ge 0 \quad \forall \tilde{\sigma} \in [-r, r]$



The corresponding stop operator $\sigma = \mathfrak{s}_r[arepsilon]$ has then for every $c \in \mathbb{R}$ the scaling property

$$\mathfrak{s}_r[c\,\varepsilon] = c\,\mathfrak{s}_{rac{r}{|c|}}[\varepsilon]$$

Constitutive law for elastoplastic beams

Using the stop operator, and assuming no previous loading history, we may write the elastoplastic constitutive relation for σ_{11} in the form

$$\sigma_{11} = \mathfrak{s}_R[-Ez\,w_{xx}] = -Ez\,\mathfrak{s}_{\frac{R}{E|z|}}[w_{xx}]$$

 \implies At distance z from the midsurface, the longitudinal fiber behaves like an elastoplastic element with elasticity modulus Ez and yield point $\frac{R}{E|z|}$ with respect to the input w_{xx} .

Eccentric fibers are harder in elasticity and softer in plasticity than the central ones!

Prandtl-Ishlinskii sums of several stops produce gradual transitions from elasticity to plasticity.



Momentum balance for elastoplastic beams

Let $(x, y, z) \in \Omega = (0, L) \times (-b, b) \times (-h, h)$ be a generic point of the beam (L is the length, 2b is the width, 2h is the height).

We write the momentum balance in variational form

$$\int_{\Omega} \left(\rho \mathbf{u}_{tt} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{u}} + \boldsymbol{\sigma} : \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} \right) dx \, dy \, dz = \int_{\partial \Omega} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nu}) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{u}} \, ds$$

for every geometrically admissible test functions $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$, where ρ is the mass density and $\boldsymbol{\nu}$ is the unit outward normal.

We prescribe boundary conditions $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nu} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ f(x,t) \end{pmatrix}$ on the upper boundary z = h0 otherwise

Momentum balance for elastoplastic beams - II

We have the identities

$$\begin{split} \int_{\Omega} \rho \mathbf{u}_{tt} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{u}} \, dx \, dy \, dz &= 4hb \, \rho \int_{0}^{L} \left(w_{tt} \, \hat{w} + \frac{h^{2}}{3} w_{xtt} \, \hat{w}_{x} \right) \, dx \\ \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma} : \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} \, dx \, dy \, dz &= 2b \int_{0}^{L} \int_{-h}^{h} E \, z^{2} \, \mathbf{s}_{\frac{R}{E|z|}} [w_{xx}] \, dz \, \hat{w}_{xx} \, dx \\ \int_{\partial\Omega} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nu}) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{u}} \, ds &= 2b \int_{0}^{L} f(x, t) \, \hat{w} \, dx \end{split}$$

To eliminate vertical rigid body displacements, we prescribe additional boundary conditions

w(0,t) = w(L,t) = 0

The test functions \hat{w} are chosen in $H^2(0,L) \cap H^1_0(0,L)$.

Prandtl-Ishlinskii operators

The mapping ${\mathcal F}$ which with each function $arepsilon\in C[0,T]$ associates the integral

$$\mathcal{F}[\varepsilon] = \int_{-h}^{h} E z^{2} \mathfrak{s}_{\frac{R}{E|z|}}[\varepsilon] dz = \frac{2R^{3}}{E^{2}} \int_{\frac{R}{Eh}}^{\infty} r^{-4} \mathfrak{s}_{r}[\varepsilon] dr$$

$$\overset{Rh^{2}}{\overbrace{\frac{2}{3}Rh^{2}}} \sigma = \mathcal{F}[\varepsilon]$$
is a special case of the Prandtl-Ishlinskii operator $\mathcal{F}[\varepsilon] = \int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi(r) \mathfrak{s}_{r}[\varepsilon] dr$

with a given distribution function arphi(r) .

The associated PDE

Given a right-hand side f , we look for a solution w of the problem

$$\rho w_{tt} - \frac{h^2 \rho}{3} w_{xxtt} + \frac{1}{2h} \mathcal{F}[w_{xx}]_{xx} = \frac{1}{2h} f$$

with boundary conditions

$$w(0,t) = w(L,t) = \mathcal{F}[w_{xx}](0,t) = \mathcal{F}[w_{xx}](L,t) = 0$$
.

Prandtl-Ishlinskii operators are not differentiable in general; hence, for the existence and uniqueness analysis, we rewrite the PDE as system (rescaling all constants to 1)

$$u_t = \mathcal{F}[w_{xx}]$$
$$w_t - w_{xxt} = -u_{xx} + g$$

with boundary conditions u(0,t) = w(0,t) = u(L,t) = w(L,t) = 0.

Theorem 1

Let the initial conditions $u_0 \in H^2(0, L)$, $w_0 \in H^3(0, L)$ satisfy natural compatibility conditions, and let g be given, $g_t \in L^2((0, T) \times (0, L))$. Then the PDE system admits a unique solution u, w with the regularity

 $u_{tt}, u_{xx}, w_{xxt} \in L^{\infty}(0, T; L^{2}(0, L)), \ u_{xt}, w_{xtt} \in L^{2}((0, T) \times (0, L)).$

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Theorem 2: The clamped beam

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Plates

Let $\Omega_0 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be the reference shape of the plate. In a similar way as in case of beams, after rescaling all physical constants, we derive the variational equation

$$\int_{\Omega_0} \left(w_{tt} \,\hat{w} + w_{xtt} \,\hat{w}_y + w_{ytt} \,\hat{w}_y + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{D}_2 w \cdot \mathbf{D}_2 \hat{w} \right) dx \, dy$$
$$+ \int_{\Omega_0} \left\langle \mathcal{F}[\mathbf{D}_2 w], \mathbf{D}_2 \hat{w} \right\rangle dx \, dy = \int_{\Omega_0} g \,\hat{w} \, dx \, dy$$

for every $\hat{w}\in H^2(\Omega_0)\cap H^1_0(\Omega_0)$, where

 \mathbf{D}_2 is the differential operator $(\partial^2_{xx},\partial^2_{xy},\partial^2_{yy})$,

 ${\bf B}$ is a positive definite kinematic hardening matrix, and

 ${\cal F}$ is a 3D Prandtl-Ishlinskii operator.

The multidimensional stop and Prandtl-Ishlinskii operators

Given a convex closed set Z containing 0 in its interior in a real separable Hilbert space X, a function $\varepsilon : [0,T] \to X$, and an initial condition $\sigma^0 \in Z$, we look for functions $\sigma, \xi : [0,T] \to X$ such that $\sigma(0) = \sigma^0$, and

$$\sigma(t) + \xi(t) = \varepsilon(t)$$

$$\sigma(t) \in Z$$

$$\left\langle \dot{\xi}(t), \sigma(t) - \tilde{\sigma} \right\rangle \ge 0 \quad \forall \tilde{\sigma} \in Z.$$

$$\mathcal{F}[\varepsilon] = \int_0^\infty \varphi(r) \,\mathfrak{s}_{rZ}[\varepsilon] \, dr$$

Prandtl-Ishlinskii operator

For every $\varepsilon \in W^{1,1}(0,T;X)$ and $\sigma^0 \in Z$, there exists a unique solution $\sigma = \mathfrak{s}_Z[\sigma^0,\varepsilon] \in W^{1,1}(0,T;X)$. The mapping $\mathfrak{s}_Z : Z \times W^{1,1}(0,T;X) \rightarrow W^{1,1}(0,T;X)$ is continuous and admits continuous extension to $\mathfrak{s}_Z : Z \times C([0,T];X) \rightarrow C([0,T];X)$. Under natural assumptions on $\varphi(r)$, the same holds for \mathcal{F} .

Theorem 3: Plate

Let the initial conditions $w_0, w_1 \in H^3(\Omega_0)$ satisfy natural compatibility conditions, and let $g_t \in L^2((0,T) \times \Omega_0)$. Then the variational plate equation admits a unique solution w, $w|_{t=0} = w_0, w_t|_{t=0} = w_1$, with the regularity $\Delta w_t, \nabla w_{tt} \in L^\infty(0,T;L^2(\Omega_0))$.

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for every $\hat{w} \in H^2(\Omega_0) \cap H^1_0(\Omega_0)$, letting γ tend to 0+.

Conclusions

- Reducing the space dimension in elastoplasticity, we lose control of the interface between the elastic and the plastic zones.
- For a "lower dimensional" observer, the transition from perfectly elastic to perfectly plastic behavior looks smooth.
- The reduced momentum balance equation contains a Prandtl-Ishlinskii operator as a linear superposition of solution operators to a family of variational inequalities parameterized by the transversal variable.
- PDEs with Prandtl-Ishlinskii operators can be solved by conventional methods.