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# Mechanics of Solids

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### Thick Cylinders

#### Lecture 2

# Analysis of Thick Cylinders

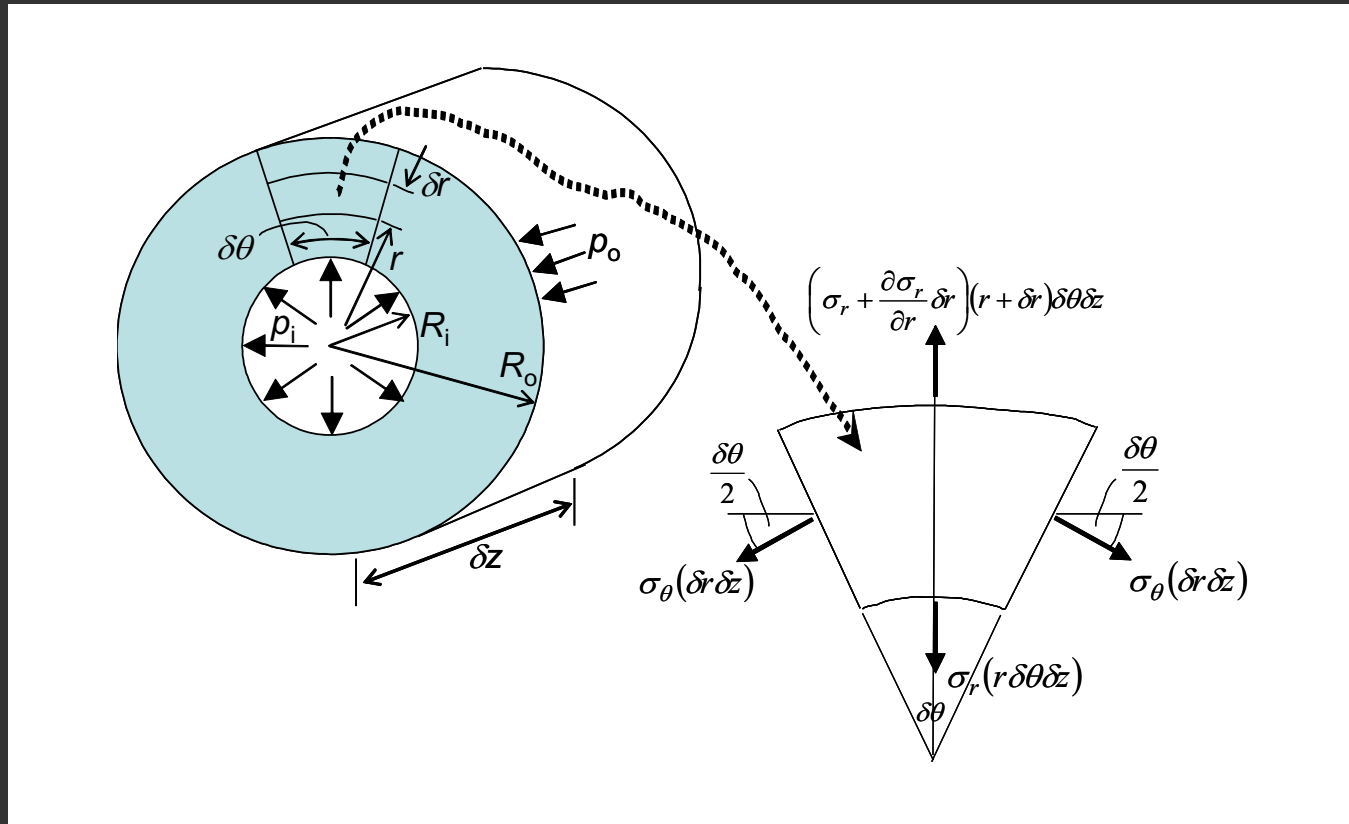
- Thick cylinder problems are *statically indeterminate*
  - In order to obtain a solution, it is necessary to consider:
    - Equilibrium,
    - Compatibility
    - Material behaviour (stress-strain relationship)

## Assumptions

- i. Plane transverse sections remain plane (this is true remote from the ends)
- ii. Deformations are small
- iii. The material is linear elastic, homogenous and isotropic.

# Derivation of Lamé's Equations

- Equilibrium



$r, \theta, z$  coordinate system

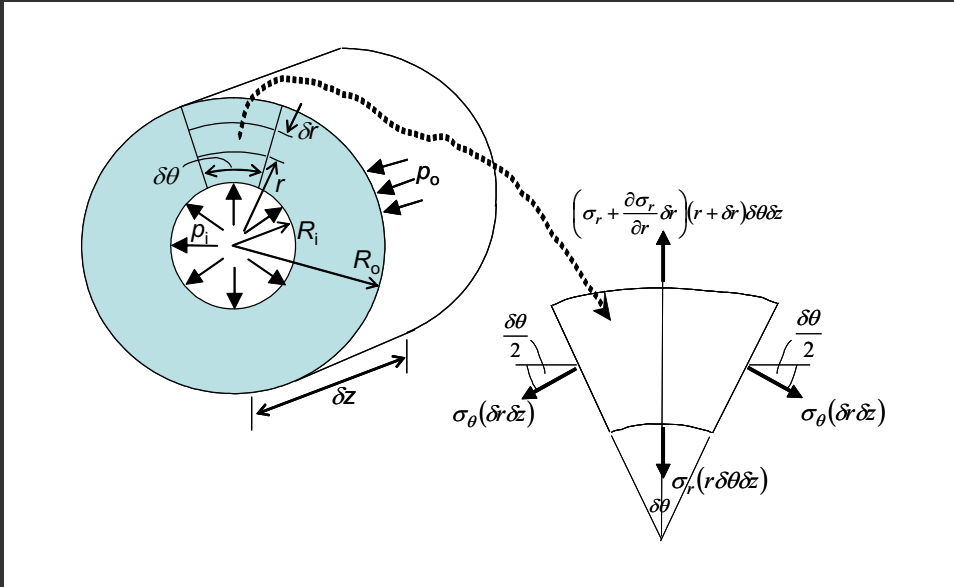
$\sigma_r$  = radial stress

$\sigma_\theta$  = hoop stress

$\sigma_z$  = axial stress

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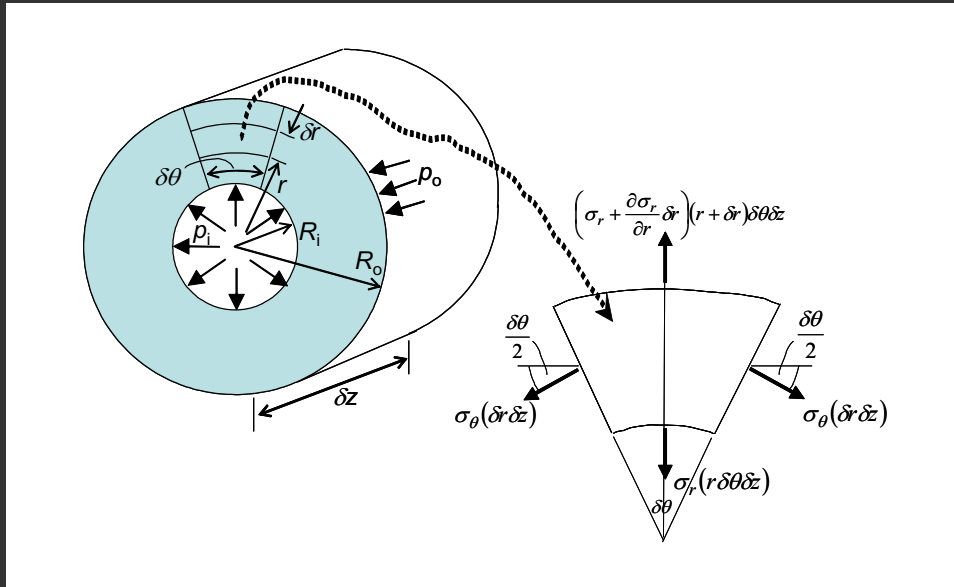
$$\left( \sigma_r + \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} \delta r \right) (r + \delta r) \delta \theta \delta z = \sigma_r (r \delta \theta \delta z) + 2\sigma_\theta (\delta r \delta z) \sin \left( \frac{\delta \theta}{2} \right) \quad (1)$$

For small  $\delta \theta$ ,  $\sin \left( \frac{\delta \theta}{2} \right) \approx \frac{\delta \theta}{2}$  therefore:

$$\sigma_r (r + \delta r) \delta \theta + \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} \delta r (r + \delta r) \delta \theta = \sigma_r r \delta \theta + \sigma_\theta \delta r \delta \theta$$

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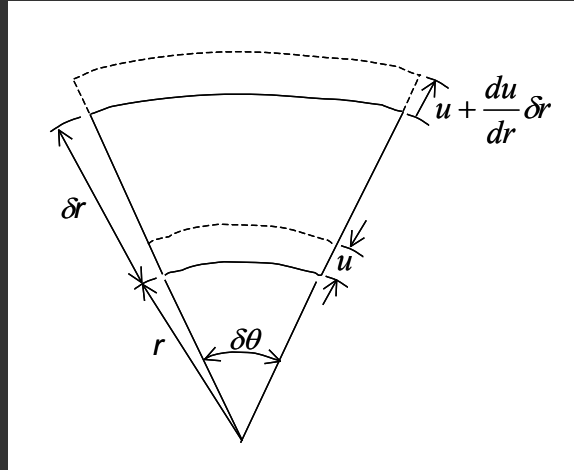
$$r\sigma_r + \sigma_r\delta r + r\frac{d\sigma_r}{dr}\delta r + \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr}\delta r^2 = \sigma_r r + \sigma_\theta\delta r \quad (2)$$

As  $\delta r \rightarrow 0, \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr}\delta r^2 \rightarrow 0$

$$\sigma_\theta - \sigma_r = r\frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} \quad (3)$$

# Derivation of Lame's Equations

- Compatibility



$$\varepsilon = \frac{\text{extension}}{\text{original length}}$$

$$\text{Hoop strain, } \varepsilon_{\theta} = \frac{(r + u)\delta\theta - r\delta\theta}{r\delta\theta} = \frac{u}{r} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Radial strain, } \varepsilon_r = \frac{\left(u + \frac{du}{dr} \delta r\right) - u}{\delta r} = \frac{du}{dr} \quad (5)$$

$$\text{Axial strain, } \varepsilon_z = \text{constant} \quad (6)$$

# Derivation of Lamé's Equations

- **Material Behaviour**
- Generalised Hooke's Law

$$\varepsilon_{\theta} = \frac{1}{E}(\sigma_{\theta} - \nu(\sigma_r + \sigma_z)) \quad (7)$$

$$\varepsilon_r = \frac{1}{E}(\sigma_r - \nu(\sigma_{\theta} + \sigma_z)) \quad (8)$$

$$\varepsilon_z = \frac{1}{E}(\sigma_z - \nu(\sigma_r + \sigma_{\theta})) \quad (9)$$

(assuming linear elastic, isotropic material behaviour)

# Derivation of Lamé's Equations

- Equations (3) to (9) have seven unknowns,
- i.e.  $u, \sigma_\theta, \sigma_r, \sigma_z, \varepsilon_\theta, \varepsilon_r, \varepsilon_z$ , which are all functions of  $r, p_o, p_i, R_o, R_i, \nu$  and  $E$ .
- Substituting  $u = r\varepsilon_\theta$  from Eq. (4) into Eq. (5) gives

$$\varepsilon_r = \frac{d}{dr}(r\varepsilon_\theta)$$
$$\varepsilon_r = \varepsilon_\theta + r \frac{d\varepsilon_\theta}{dr} \quad (a)$$

- Using Eq. (7) and Eq. (8) in Eq. (a) gives

$$\frac{1}{E}(\sigma_r - \nu(\sigma_\theta + \sigma_z)) = \frac{1}{E}(\sigma_\theta - \nu(\sigma_r + \sigma_z)) + \frac{r}{E} \left( \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr} - \nu \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} - \nu \frac{d\sigma_z}{dr} \right)$$
$$(1 + \nu)\sigma_r = (1 + \nu)\sigma_\theta + r \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr} - r\nu \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} - r\nu \frac{d\sigma_z}{dr} \quad (b)$$



# Derivation of Lamé's Equations

- Using Eq. (6)  $\frac{d\varepsilon_z}{dr} = 0$  then Eq. (9) gives

$$0 = \frac{d\sigma_z}{dr} - \nu \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} - \nu \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr}$$
$$\frac{d\sigma_z}{dr} = \nu \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} + \nu \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr} \quad (c)$$

- Substituting (c) in (b)

$$(1 + \nu)\sigma_r = (1 + \nu)\sigma_\theta + r \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr} - r\nu \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} - r\nu^2 \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} + r\nu^2 \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr}$$

$$(1 + \nu)\sigma_r = (1 + \nu)\sigma_\theta + r(1 - \nu^2) \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr} - r\nu(1 + \nu) \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr}$$

$$\sigma_\theta - \sigma_r = r\nu \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} - (1 - \nu) \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr} \quad (d)$$

# Derivation of Lamé's Equations

- Substituting the right hand side from Eq. (d) into Eq. (3) gives:

$$rv \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} - (1 - \nu) \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr} = r \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr}$$

$$r(1 - \nu) \left[ \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} + \frac{d\sigma_\theta}{dr} \right] = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dr} (\sigma_r + \sigma_\theta) = 0$$

- Integration leads to:

$$\sigma_r + \sigma_\theta = 2A \quad (e)$$

- Where A is a constant of integration

# Derivation of Lamé's Equations

- Again using Eq. (3) and substituting for  $\sigma_\theta$  gives:

$$2\sigma_r = 2A - r \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr}$$

Rearranging

$$r \frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} + 2\sigma_r = 2A$$

Which is equivalent to

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} (r^2 \sigma_r) = 2A$$

$$r^2 \sigma_r = \frac{2Ar^2}{2} - B$$

- Where B is another constant of integration, which leads to:

$$\sigma_r = A - \frac{B}{r^2}$$

and using Eq. (e) leads to

$$\sigma_\theta = A + \frac{B}{r^2}$$

# Analysis of Thick Cylinders

- The hoop and radial stresses at any point (radius,  $r$ ) in the wall cross-section of a thick cylinder can be determined using *Lame's equations*:

$$\sigma_r = A - \frac{B}{r^2}$$

$$\sigma_\theta = A + \frac{B}{r^2}$$

- Where  $A$  and  $B$  are *Lame's constants* (constants of integration)
- Note that, since  $\varepsilon_z = \text{const}$  and  $\sigma_r + \sigma_\theta = \text{const}$ , then Eq. (9) shows that  $\sigma_z = \text{const}$ , i.e. it is independent of  $r$ . The value of  $\sigma_z$  can therefore be obtained from a consideration of axial equilibrium.

# Learning Objectives

1. Appreciate the difference between the stress analysis of thin and thick cylinders (knowledge);
2. Understand the derivation of Lamé's equations (comprehension);
3. Determine the stresses in a thick walled cylinder subjected internal and external pressure (application);
4. Determine the stresses caused by shrink fitting a cylinder onto another (application);
5. Be able to include 'inertia' effects into the thick cylinder equations to calculate the stresses in a rotating disc (application).

