

## Problem Set 4. Eshelby's Inclusion

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**Problem 4.1** (15') Spherical inclusion.

(a) Derive the expressions for the auxiliary tensor  $\mathcal{D}_{ijkl}$  for a spherical inclusion in an isotropic medium with shear modulus  $\mu$  and Poisson's ratio  $\nu$ .

[ Hint: many components of  $\mathcal{D}_{ijkl}$  are zero, unless there are repeated indices. ]

(b) Derive the corresponding expressions for Eshelby's tensor  $\mathcal{S}_{ijkl}$ .

### Solution

(a) The auxiliary tensor inside the inclusion can be expressed in terms of the following surface integral (see lecture notes),

$$\mathcal{D}_{ijkl} = -\frac{abc}{4\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} (zz)_{ij}^{-1} z_k z_l \frac{\sin \Phi}{\beta^3} d\Theta d\Phi \quad (1)$$

where

$$\beta = \lambda/k = \sqrt{(a^2 \cos^2 \Theta + b^2 \sin^2 \Theta) \sin^2 \Phi + c^2 \cos \Phi} \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{k}/k = (\sin \Phi \cos \Theta, \sin \Phi \sin \Theta, \cos \Theta) \quad (3)$$

For a sphere  $a = b = c$  and  $\beta = a$ . Therefore,

$$\mathcal{D}_{ijkl} = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} (zz)_{ij}^{-1} z_k z_l \sin \Phi d\Theta d\Phi \quad (4)$$

For isotropic material,  $(zz)_{ij}^{-1}$  has an explicit form, so that,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_{ijkl} &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{\mu} \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\lambda + 2\mu} z_i z_j \right) z_k z_l \sin \Phi d\Theta d\Phi \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi\mu} \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \delta_{ij} z_k z_l - \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\lambda + 2\mu} z_i z_j z_k z_l \right) \sin \Phi d\Theta d\Phi \end{aligned}$$

We can write the three components of  $\mathbf{z}$  in terms of  $\Phi$  and  $\Theta$

$$z_1 = \sin \Phi \cos \Theta \quad z_2 = \sin \Phi \sin \Theta \quad z_3 = \cos \Phi \quad (5)$$

Let us consider the first integral

$$H_{kl} \equiv \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} z_k z_l \sin \Phi \, d\Theta \, d\Phi$$

This integral will be zero if  $k \neq l$ . By symmetry,  $H_{11} = H_{22} = H_{33}$ .  $H_{33}$  is the simplest to evaluate in the present form, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} H_{33} &= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 \Phi \sin \Phi \, d\Theta \, d\Phi \\ &= 2\pi \int_{-1}^1 s^2 \, ds \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{3} \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Therefore,

$$H_{kl} = \frac{4\pi}{3} \delta_{kl} \tag{7}$$

Now let us consider the second integral,

$$J_{ijkl} \equiv \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} z_i z_j z_k z_l \sin \Phi \, d\Theta \, d\Phi$$

The  $J_{ijkl}$  is non-zero only if the indices are all the same, or come in pairs. There are two types of terms,

$$J_{1111} = J_{2222} = J_{3333} = \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^4 \Phi \sin \Phi \, d\Theta \, d\Phi = \frac{4\pi}{5} \tag{8}$$

and  $J_{1122} = J_{1133} = J_{2233} = J_{1212} = \dots$

$$J_{1133} = \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^4 \Phi \sin^3 \Phi \, d\Theta \, d\Phi = \frac{4\pi}{15}$$

Thus we can write  $J_{ijkl}$  as

$$J_{ijkl} = \frac{4\pi}{15} (\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}) \tag{9}$$

The auxiliary tensor  $\mathcal{D}_{ijkl}$  is

$$\mathcal{D}_{ijkl} = -\frac{1}{4\pi\mu} \left( \delta_{ij} H_{kl} - \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\lambda + 2\mu} J_{ijkl} \right) \tag{10}$$

Substituting the solutions for  $H_{kl}$  and  $J_{ijkl}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_{ijkl} &= -\frac{1}{15\mu} \left( 5\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} - \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\lambda + 2\mu} (\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}) \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{30\mu} \left( 10\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} - \frac{1}{1 - \nu} (\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}) \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{30\mu(1 - \nu)} [(9 - 10\nu)\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} - (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk})] \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

using the fact that  $\frac{\lambda+\mu}{\lambda+2\mu} = \frac{1}{2(1-\nu)}$ .

(b) The Eshelby's tensor  $\mathcal{S}_{ijkl}$  is related to the auxiliary tensor  $\mathcal{D}_{ijkl}$  through,

$$\mathcal{S}_{ijmn} = -\frac{1}{2}C_{lkmn}(\mathcal{D}_{iklj} + \mathcal{D}_{jkli})$$

For isotropic medium,

$$C_{lkmn} = \lambda\delta_{lk}\delta_{mn} + \mu(\delta_{lm}\delta_{kn} + \delta_{ln}\delta_{km}) \quad (12)$$

thus,

$$\mathcal{S}_{ijmn} = -\frac{\lambda}{2}(\mathcal{D}_{ikkj} + \mathcal{D}_{jkkj})\delta_{mn} - \frac{\mu}{2}(\mathcal{D}_{inmj} + \mathcal{D}_{jnmi} + \mathcal{D}_{imnj} + \mathcal{D}_{jmnj})$$

When  $\mathcal{D}_{ijkl}$  is given in Eq. (11), it satisfies both major and minor symmetries, i.e.  $\mathcal{D}_{ijkl} = \mathcal{D}_{klij} = \mathcal{D}_{jikl} = \mathcal{D}_{iljk}$ . Thus,

$$\mathcal{S}_{ijmn} = -\lambda\mathcal{D}_{ikkj}\delta_{mn} - \mu(\mathcal{D}_{inmj} + \mathcal{D}_{imnj}) \quad (13)$$

Noticing that

$$\mathcal{D}_{ikkj} = -\frac{5-10\nu}{30\mu(1-\nu)}\delta_{ij} \quad (14)$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2\mu\nu}{1-2\nu} \quad (15)$$

$$\lambda\mathcal{D}_{ikkj} = -\frac{\nu}{3(1-\nu)}\delta_{ij} \quad (16)$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_{ijmn} &= \frac{\nu}{3(1-\nu)}\delta_{ij}\delta_{mn} + \frac{1}{30(1-\nu)}[(9-10\nu)\delta_{ij}\delta_{kl} - (\delta_{ik}\delta_{jl} + \delta_{il}\delta_{jk})] \\ &= \frac{\nu}{3(1-\nu)}\delta_{ij}\delta_{mn} + \frac{1}{30(1-\nu)}[(9-10\nu)(\delta_{in}\delta_{jm} + \delta_{im}\delta_{jn}) \\ &\quad - (\delta_{im}\delta_{jn} + \delta_{ij}\delta_{mn} + \delta_{in}\delta_{jm} + \delta_{ij}\delta_{mn})] \\ &= \frac{1}{30(1-\nu)}[(10\nu-2)\delta_{ij}\delta_{mn} + (9-10\nu-1)(\delta_{in}\delta_{jm} + \delta_{im}\delta_{jn})] \\ &= \frac{5\nu-1}{15(1-\nu)}\delta_{ij}\delta_{mn} + \frac{4-5\nu}{15(1-\nu)}(\delta_{in}\delta_{jm} + \delta_{im}\delta_{jn}) \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

**Problem 4.2** (15') Dilation field.

The “constrained” dilation of a transformed inclusion (not necessarily ellipsoidal) is,

$$\begin{aligned} u_{i,i}^c &= \int_{S_0} \sigma_{kj}^* n_k(\mathbf{x}') G_{ij,i}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') dS(\mathbf{x}') \\ &= - \int_{V_0} \sigma_{kj}^* G_{ij,ik}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') dV(\mathbf{x}') \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

(a) Show that if  $e_{ij}^* = \varepsilon \delta_{ij}$  (pure dilational eigenstrain), then in isotropic elasticity the constrained dilation is constant inside the inclusion and independent of inclusion shape.

(b) What is  $u_{i,i}^c$  inside the inclusion in terms of  $\varepsilon$ ?

Hint: The Green's function  $G_{ij}(\mathbf{x})$  can be expressed in terms of second derivatives of  $R = |\mathbf{x}|$ .

$$G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{8\pi\mu} \left[ \delta_{ij} \nabla^2 R - \frac{1}{2(1-\nu)} \partial_i \partial_j R \right] \quad (19)$$

Notice that

$$\nabla^2 R = \frac{2}{R} \quad (20)$$

$$\nabla^2 \frac{1}{R} = -4\pi \delta(\mathbf{x}) \quad (21)$$

### Solution

In the case of

$$e_{ij}^* = \varepsilon \delta_{ij} \quad (22)$$

the eigenstress is

$$\sigma_{kj}^* = C_{kjm n} e_{mn}^* = \varepsilon C_{kjm m} \quad (23)$$

where

$$C_{kjm m} = \lambda \delta_{kj} \delta_{mm} + 2\mu \delta_{km} \delta_{jm} = (3\lambda + 2\mu) \delta_{kj} \quad (24)$$

Hence,

$$\sigma_{kj}^* = \varepsilon (3\lambda + 2\mu) \delta_{kj} \quad (25)$$

Substituting this into the equation for constrained dilatation

$$\begin{aligned} u_{i,i}^c &= - \int_{V_0} \sigma_{kj}^* G_{ij,ik}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') dV(\mathbf{x}') \\ &= - \int_{V_0} \varepsilon (3\lambda + 2\mu) G_{ij,ij}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') dV(\mathbf{x}') \end{aligned}$$

Notice that

$$G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{8\pi\mu} \left[ \delta_{ij} R_{,kk} - \frac{1}{2(1-\nu)} R_{,ij} \right] \quad (26)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
G_{ij,ij}(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{8\pi\mu} \left[ \delta_{ij} R_{,kkij} - \frac{1}{2(1-\nu)} R_{,ijij} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{8\pi\mu} \left[ R_{,kkii} - \frac{1}{2(1-\nu)} R_{,ijij} \right] \\
&= \frac{1-2\nu}{16\pi\mu(1-\nu)} R_{,ijij} \\
&= \frac{1-2\nu}{16\pi\mu(1-\nu)} \nabla^2 \frac{2}{R} \\
&= \frac{1-2\nu}{16\pi\mu(1-\nu)} [-8\pi\delta(\mathbf{x})] \\
&= -\frac{1-2\nu}{2\mu(1-\nu)} \delta(\mathbf{x})
\end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

In other words,

$$G_{ij,ij}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') = -\frac{1-2\nu}{2\mu(1-\nu)} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \tag{28}$$

Hence when  $\mathbf{x}$  is inside  $V_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
u_{i,i}^c &= \int_{V_0} \varepsilon(3\lambda + 2\mu) \frac{1-2\nu}{2\mu(1-\nu)} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') dV(\mathbf{x}') \\
&= \varepsilon(3\lambda + 2\mu) \frac{1-2\nu}{2\mu(1-\nu)} \\
&= \varepsilon \frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu}
\end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

When  $\mathbf{x}$  is outside  $V_0$ , the constrained dilation field must be zero.