

9. Orthogonal curvilinear coordinates

Motivation. As became clear in the preceding chapter, the field eqs. of the classical theory of elasticity may be simplified considerably through appropriate changes in the dependent variables, i.e. by means of suitable displacement potentials (stress functions). This simplification is accompanied by an increase in the complexity of the boundary conditions. To simplify the latter for a regi-

with curved boundaries, it is essential to subject the independent variables, i.e. the cartesian coordinates, to a convenient transformation by introducing suitable curvilinear coordinates with a view toward embedding the boundary among the coord. surfaces.

The approach we adopt is a compromise between a general tensorial treatment and an ad-hoc treatment of special orthogonal curvilinear coordinate systems.

Example: Circular cylindrical coordinates

Coordinate transformation:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_1 &= \rho \cos \phi, \quad x_2 = \rho \sin \phi, \quad x_3 = z \\ 0 &\leq \rho < \infty, \quad 0 \leq \phi < 2\pi, \quad -\infty < z < \infty \end{aligned} \right\} (a)$$

This mapping is one-to-one, except at  $\rho = 0$ . Indeed the Jacobian determinant associated with (a) is given by

$$\Delta(\rho, \phi, z) = \det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \phi} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial \phi} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial x_3}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial x_3}{\partial \phi} & \frac{\partial x_3}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix} = \rho \geq 0 \quad (b)$$

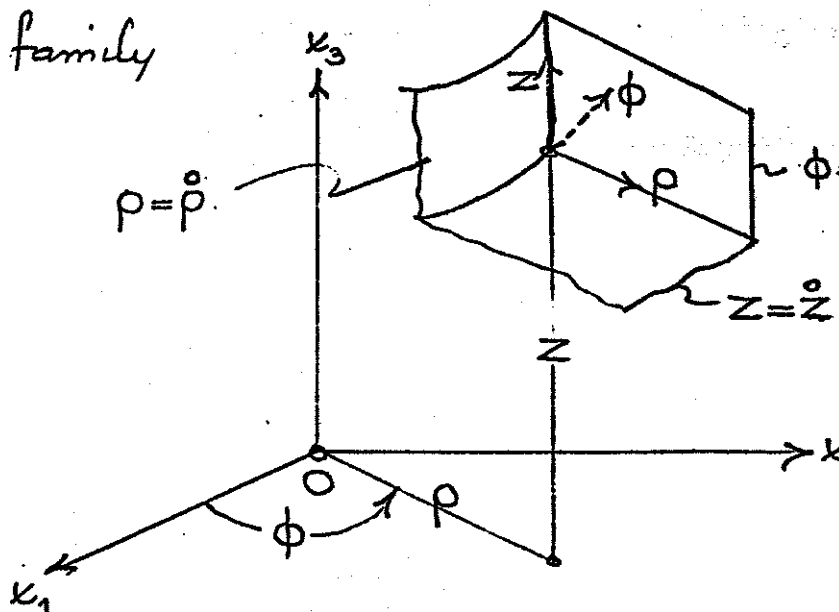
Inverse mapping:

$$\rho = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}, \quad \cos \phi = \frac{x_1}{\rho}, \quad \sin \phi = \frac{x_2}{\rho}, \quad z = x_3 \quad (c)$$

Coordinate surfaces:  $\rho = \text{const.}$ ,  $\phi = \text{const.}$ ,  $z = \text{const.}$

Describe triply orthog. family

Define coord. lines.



## General orthogonal curvilinear coordinates

$$\mathbf{X} = \{0; \mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\} \in \mathcal{F}, \quad x_i = \underline{x} \cdot \mathbf{e}_i$$

### Coordinate transformations

$$\mathcal{M}: x_i = x_i(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3) \quad \forall (\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3) \in \mathcal{L}_1 \times \mathcal{L}_2 \times \mathcal{L}_3 = \hat{\mathcal{R}} \quad ($$

Here  $\mathcal{L}_i$  are linear intervals (not necessarily closed or open). We assume:  $\mathcal{M}$  has the range  $E$ ;  $\mathcal{M}$  is twice continuously differentiable on  $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ ;  $\mathcal{M}$  is one-to-one except possibly at a finite number of singular points in  $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ ;  $\mathcal{M}^{-1}$  is continuously differentiable at all non-singular points of  $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ .

### Inverse transformation

$$\mathcal{M}^{-1}: \hat{x}_i = \hat{x}_i(x_1, x_2, x_3) \quad \forall \text{ regular point } \underline{x} \in E \quad (9)$$

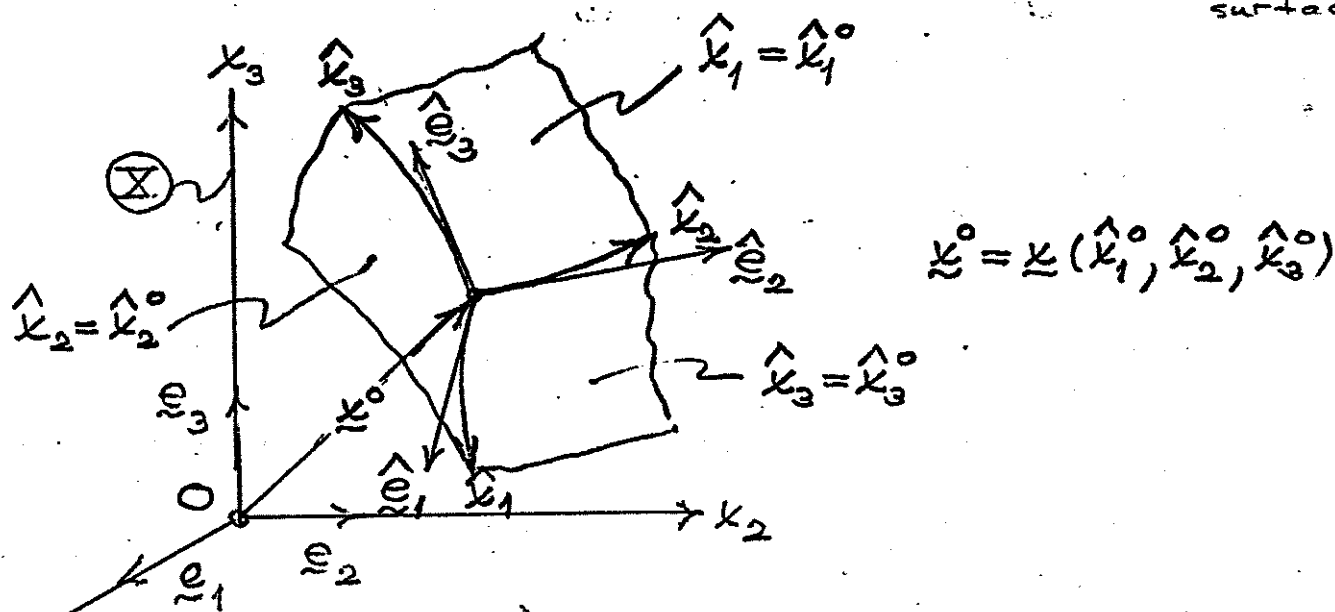
### Jacobian determinant of $\mathcal{M}$

$$\Delta(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3) = \det [\partial x_i / \partial \hat{x}_j]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \varepsilon_{ijk} \varepsilon_{pqr} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_p} \frac{\partial x_j}{\partial \hat{x}_q} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_r} \neq 0 \quad \forall \text{ regular } \underline{x} \in \hat{\mathcal{R}} \quad (9)$$

Coordinate surfaces:  $\hat{x}_i(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \hat{x}_i^0 = \text{const.}$

Coordinate lines: pairwise intersections of coordinate lines surface:



Conditions of orthogonality, scale moduli

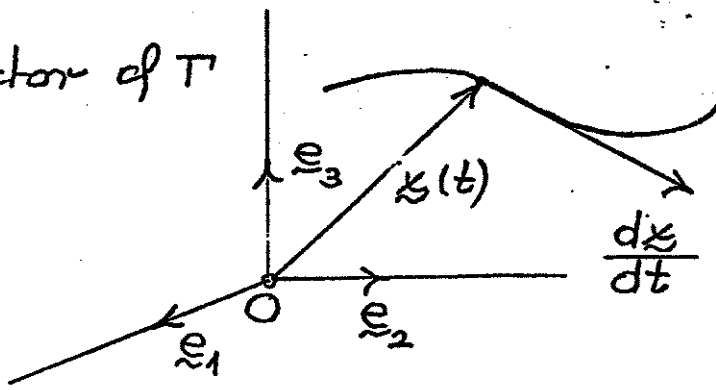
Consider a regular curve  $\Gamma \subseteq E$ .

$$\Gamma : \underline{x} = \underline{x}(t) \quad (\alpha \leq t \leq \beta), \quad \underline{x} \in \mathcal{C}^1([\alpha, \beta])$$

$$\frac{d\underline{x}}{dt} = \underline{e}_i \frac{dx_i}{dt} \dots \text{tang. vector of } \Gamma$$

$$\left| \frac{d\underline{x}}{dt} \right| = \sqrt{\frac{dx_i}{dt} \frac{dx_i}{dt}} = \left| \frac{ds}{dt} \right|$$

$s(t) \dots$  arc-length of  $\Gamma$



In particular, let  $\Gamma$  be an  $\hat{x}_1$ -coord. line,  
 whence  $\Gamma: \underline{x} = \underline{x}(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2^0, \hat{x}_3^0) \forall \hat{x}_1 \in \mathcal{L}_1$ . Then  $\partial \underline{x} / \partial \hat{x}_1$   
 is a tangent vector of  $\Gamma$ . Thus,

$\frac{\partial \underline{x}}{\partial \hat{x}_i}$  ... tangent vector of  $\hat{x}_i$ -lines

Accordingly, the curvil. coord. system defined  
 by (9.1) is orthogonal if and only if

$$\frac{\partial \underline{x}}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \underline{x}}{\partial \hat{x}_j} = 0 \quad (i \neq j) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_j} = 0 \quad (i \neq j) \quad (9.5)$$

(○) Return to general regular curve  $\Gamma$  (See (9.4)).

$$\left(\frac{d\underline{x}}{dt}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{ds}{dt}\right)^2 = \frac{\partial \underline{x}}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \frac{d\hat{x}_i}{dt} \cdot \frac{\partial \underline{x}}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \frac{d\hat{x}_j}{dt}, \quad \text{so that}$$

$$\left(\frac{ds}{dt}\right)^2 = g_{ij} \frac{d\hat{x}_i}{dt} \frac{d\hat{x}_j}{dt}, \quad g_{ij} = \frac{\partial \underline{x}}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \underline{x}}{\partial \hat{x}_j} = \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \quad (9.6)$$

Define

$$h_i = \sqrt{g_{ii}} = \left| \frac{\partial \underline{x}}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \right| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \hat{x}_i}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial x_2}{\partial \hat{x}_i}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial x_3}{\partial \hat{x}_i}\right)^2} > 0 \quad (9.7)$$

Note that  $h_i = 0$  is incompatible with  $\Delta \neq 0$ .

\* Suspend summation w.r. a repeated index by  
 underlining.

(9.5), (9.6), (9.7)  $\Rightarrow$

$$g_{ij} = 0 \quad (i \neq j), \quad g_{ii} = h_i^2, \quad g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} h_i h_j \quad (9.8)$$

(9.6), (9.7), (9.8)  $\Rightarrow$

$$(ds)^2 = \hat{g}_{ij} d\hat{x}_i d\hat{x}_j = (h_1 d\hat{x}_1)^2 + (h_2 d\hat{x}_2)^2 + (h_3 d\hat{x}_3)^2 \quad (9.9)$$

(9.9) reveals the geom. signif. of the scale moduli  $h_i$ :

$$h_i = \frac{ds}{d\hat{x}_i} \text{ along } \hat{x}_i\text{-lines}$$

Caution: some authors (e.g. Love) define  $h_i$  as  $1/\sqrt{g_{ii}}$ .

Example: Circular cyl. coords. Here one finds

$$h_1 = 1, \quad h_2 = \rho, \quad h_3 = 1,$$

as should be the case.

Local base, direction cosines of curvil. coord. line

Let  $\hat{e}_i$  be the unit tang. vector of  $\hat{x}_i$ -lines in the direction of increasing  $\hat{x}_i$ .

Then from signif. of  $\partial x_i / \partial \hat{x}_i$  and (9.7), (9.5),

$$\hat{e}_i = \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_i} / \left| \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \right| = \frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_i}, \quad \hat{e}_i \cdot \hat{e}_j = \delta_{ij}. \quad (9.10)$$

$$A_{ij} = \cos(\hat{e}_i, e_j) = \hat{e}_i \cdot e_j = \frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial x_j}{\partial \hat{x}_i}. \quad (9.11)$$

Jacobian determinant of  $\mathcal{M}$  in terms of scale me

By (9.3), (9.11),

$$\Delta = \det[\partial x_i / \partial \hat{x}_j] = \det[h_j A_{ji}] = h_1 h_2 h_3 \det[A_{ij}]$$

$\det[A_{ij}] = (\hat{e}_1 \wedge \hat{e}_2) \cdot \hat{e}_3 = 1$  if  $(\hat{e}_1, \hat{e}_2, \hat{e}_3)$  are a right-handed triad, as we assume from here on. Accordingly,

$$\Delta = h_1 h_2 h_3 > 0 \text{ at all regular pts. (9.1)}$$

Inverse partial derivatives

Consider the identity:

\* See picture on p. 51.

$$x_i = x_i(\hat{x}_1(\underline{x}), \hat{x}_2(\underline{x}), \hat{x}_3(\underline{x}))$$

Thus from chain-rule,

$$\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_k} \frac{\partial \hat{x}_k}{\partial x_j} = \delta_{ij}$$

"Multiply" by  $\partial x_i / \partial \hat{x}_m$  and use (9.5), (9.8):

$$\frac{\partial x_j}{\partial \hat{x}_m} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_k} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_m}}_{g_{km}} \frac{\partial \hat{x}_k}{\partial x_j} = g_{km} \frac{\partial \hat{x}_k}{\partial x_j} = h_{\underline{m}}^2 \frac{\partial \hat{x}_m}{\partial x_j},$$

whence

$$\frac{\partial \hat{x}_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{1}{h_{\underline{i}}^2} \frac{\partial x_j}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \quad (9.13)$$

Now (9.13), (9.11)  $\Rightarrow$

$$\epsilon_{A\underline{y}} = \hat{\underline{e}}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j = h_{\underline{i}} \frac{\partial \hat{x}_i}{\partial x_j} \quad (9.14)$$

Also, (9.7), (9.13)  $\Rightarrow$

$$h_{\underline{i}}^2 = \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_i} = h_{\underline{i}}^4 \frac{\partial \hat{x}_i}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial \hat{x}_i}{\partial x_k}, \text{ from which}$$

$$\frac{1}{h_{\underline{i}}^2} = \frac{\partial \hat{x}_i}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial \hat{x}_i}{\partial x_k}, \quad h_{\underline{i}} = 1 / \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial \hat{x}_i}{\partial x_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \hat{x}_i}{\partial x_2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \hat{x}_i}{\partial x_3}\right)^2} \quad (9.15)$$



Differentiation of a scalar field with respect to  $x_i$ ,

Let  $R \in E$  be a domain of regularity of  $M$  and  $f \in C^1(R)$  be a scalar field. Let

$$\bar{f}(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3) = f(x(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3))$$

Then, from chain-rule and (9.14),

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial \bar{f}}{\partial x_k} \underbrace{\left( \frac{\partial \hat{x}_k}{\partial x_i} \right)}_{\frac{1}{h_k} A_{ki}}, \text{ from which follows}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = \sum_k \frac{1}{h_k} A_{ki} \frac{\partial \bar{f}}{\partial \hat{x}_k}. \quad (9.16)$$

Components of  $\partial \hat{e}_i / \partial \hat{x}_j$  relative to the local ba

(9.10)  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{e}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \cdot \hat{e}_k = \left\{ -\frac{1}{h_i^2} \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_i} + \frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \hat{x}_i \partial \hat{x}_j} \right\} \cdot \frac{1}{h_k} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_k}$$

or, in view of (9.6), (9.8),

$$\frac{\partial \hat{e}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \cdot \hat{e}_k = -\frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \delta_{ik} + \frac{1}{h_i h_k} \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \hat{x}_i \partial \hat{x}_j} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_k} \quad (8)$$

Recall from (9.6), (9.8) that

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_j} = h_{\underline{i}} h_{\underline{j}} \delta_{\underline{ij}}$$

Differentiate this identity with respect to  $\hat{x}_k$  to reach

$$\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \hat{x}_i \partial \hat{x}_k} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_j} + \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \hat{x}_j \partial \hat{x}_k} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_k} (h_{\underline{i}} h_{\underline{j}}) \delta_{\underline{ij}}, \quad (a)$$

whence

$$\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \hat{x}_j \partial \hat{x}_i} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_k} + \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \hat{x}_k \partial \hat{x}_i} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_i} (h_{\underline{j}} h_{\underline{k}}) \delta_{\underline{jk}} \quad (b)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \hat{x}_k \partial \hat{x}_j} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_i} + \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \hat{x}_i \partial \hat{x}_j} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_j} (h_{\underline{k}} h_{\underline{i}}) \delta_{\underline{ki}} \quad (c)$$

Form  $\frac{1}{2} \{ (b) + (c) - (a) \}$  to conclude that

$$\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \hat{x}_i \partial \hat{x}_j} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \hat{x}_k} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \delta_{\underline{jk}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_i} (h_{\underline{j}} h_{\underline{k}}) + \delta_{\underline{ki}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_j} (h_{\underline{k}} h_{\underline{i}}) - \delta_{\underline{ij}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_k} (h_{\underline{i}} h_{\underline{j}}) \right\} \quad (d)$$

Substitution from (dd) into (8) yields

$$\frac{\partial \hat{e}_{\underline{i}}}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \cdot \hat{e}_{\underline{k}} = - \frac{1}{h_{\underline{i}}} \frac{\partial h_{\underline{i}}}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \delta_{\underline{ik}} + \frac{1}{2 h_{\underline{i}} h_{\underline{k}}} \left\{ \delta_{\underline{jk}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_i} (h_{\underline{j}} h_{\underline{k}}) + \delta_{\underline{ki}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_j} (h_{\underline{k}} h_{\underline{i}}) - \delta_{\underline{ij}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_k} (h_{\underline{i}} h_{\underline{j}}) \right\} \quad (9.17)$$

(9.17)  $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\frac{\partial \hat{e}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \cdot \hat{e}_k = 0 \text{ if } (i, j, k) \text{ distinct or } k = i$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{e}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \cdot \hat{e}_k = -\frac{1}{h_k} \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial \hat{x}_k}, \quad \frac{\partial \hat{e}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_k} \cdot \hat{e}_k = \frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial h_k}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \text{ if } k \neq i \quad (9)$$

Note that (9.18) exhausts all possibilities as to the values of  $(i, j, k)$ . See matrix table on p. 5

### Transformation of basic tensor field quantities

If  $\mathcal{I}$  is a cartesian tensor of order  $N$ , the curvilinear components  $\hat{T}_{ij \dots n}$  of  $\mathcal{I}$  in an orthog. curvil. coordinate system are the components of  $\mathcal{I}$  in the local base  $(\hat{e}_1, \hat{e}_2, \hat{e}_3)$

Thus,

$$\hat{T}_{ij \dots n} = A_{ip} A_{jq} \dots A_{nr} T_{pq \dots r}, \quad (9.19)$$

where  $A_{ip} = \hat{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_p$  (direction cosines)

$$\beta_{jk}^{(i)} = \frac{\partial \hat{e}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \cdot \hat{e}_k$$

$$[\beta_{jk}^{(1)}] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_2} & -\frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \hat{x}_1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[\beta_{jk}^{(2)}] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_2} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \hat{x}_1} & 0 & -\frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[\beta_{jk}^{(3)}] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \hat{x}_3} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial \hat{x}_1} & -\frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial \hat{x}_2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(A) Gradient of a scalar field

$$\underline{v} = \nabla f = \underline{e}_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}$$

Set  $\bar{f}(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3) = f(x(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3))$ . From above,

(9.19), (9.11) one has

$$\hat{v}_k = A_{ki} v_i = A_{ki} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = \frac{1}{h_k} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_k}, \text{ whence}$$

$$\hat{v}_k = \frac{1}{h_k} \frac{\partial \bar{f}}{\partial \hat{x}_k}, \quad \underline{v} = \sum_k \hat{e}_k \frac{1}{h_k} \frac{\partial \bar{f}}{\partial \hat{x}_k} \quad (9.20)$$

(B) Gradient of a vector field

$$\underline{W} = \nabla \underline{v} \text{ or } W_{ij} = \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j}$$

$$\hat{W}_{ij} = A_{ip} A_{jq} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_q} \underbrace{(A_{np} \hat{v}_n)}_{v_p} \text{ or, because of (9.16),}$$

$$\hat{W}_{ij} = A_{ip} A_{jq} \sum_m \frac{1}{h_m} A_{mq} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_m} (A_{mp} \hat{v}_n), \quad A_{jq} A_{mq} =$$

$$\hat{W}_{ij} = A_{ip} \frac{1}{h_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_j} (A_{np} \hat{v}_n)$$

$$\hat{W}_{ij} = \frac{1}{h_j} \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{v}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_j} + A_{ip} \frac{\partial A_{np}}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \hat{v}_n \right\}$$

$$A_{ip} \frac{\partial \Delta_{np}}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \hat{V}_n = A_{ip} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_j} (\hat{e}_n \cdot \underline{e}_p) \hat{V}_n$$

$$= A_{ip} \underline{e}_p \cdot \frac{\partial \hat{e}_n}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \hat{V}_n = \hat{e}_i \cdot \frac{\partial \hat{V}_n}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \hat{e}_n, \text{ so that}$$

$$\boxed{\hat{W}_{ij} = \frac{1}{h_j} \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{V}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_j} + \hat{e}_i \cdot \frac{\partial \hat{e}_n}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \hat{V}_n \right\}}, \quad (9.21)$$

in which the coefficient of  $\hat{V}_n$  is available in intrinsic form from (9.17).

### (C) Divergence of a vector field

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{v} = \text{tr } \nabla \underline{v} = v_{i,i}$$

Hence from (B) and (9.18),

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{v} = \text{tr } \underline{W} = \hat{W}_{ii} = \sum_i \frac{1}{h_i} \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{V}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_i} + \sum_{n \neq i} \frac{1}{h_n} \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial \hat{x}_n} \hat{V}_n \right\}$$

Collect terms involving  $\hat{V}_1$ , etc. Thus,

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{v} = \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial \hat{V}_1}{\partial \hat{x}_1} + \frac{\hat{V}_1}{h_2 h_1} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \hat{x}_1} + \frac{\hat{V}_1}{h_3 h_1} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial \hat{x}_1} + \dots + \dots$$

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot \underline{v} = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_1} (h_2 h_3 \hat{V}_1) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_2} (h_3 h_1 \hat{V}_2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_3} (h_1 h_2 \hat{V}_3) \right\}}$$

(9.22)

(D) Laplacian of a scalar field

$$\nabla^2 f = \nabla \cdot \nabla f = f_{,kk}$$

$$\text{Set } f(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3)) = \bar{f}(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3)$$

and use (A), (C) above to infer that

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \left( \frac{h_2 h_3}{h_1} \frac{\partial \bar{f}}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \left( \frac{h_3 h_1}{h_2} \frac{\partial \bar{f}}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \left( \frac{h_1 h_2}{h_3} \frac{\partial \bar{f}}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \right) \right\}$$

(9.2)

(E) Curl of a vector field

$$\underline{w} = \nabla \wedge \underline{v} \quad \text{or} \quad w_i = \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial x_j}$$

So,

$$w_i = \varepsilon_{ijk} W_{kj}, \quad W_{kj} = \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial x_j}, \quad \hat{w}_i = \varepsilon_{ijk} \hat{W}_{kj}$$

Therefore from (B) above one has

$$\hat{w}_i = \sum_j \frac{1}{h_j} \varepsilon_{ijk} \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{v}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_j} + \hat{e}_k \cdot \frac{\partial \hat{e}_n}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \hat{v}_n \right\}.$$

But (9.18)  $\Rightarrow$  second term sums out to zero unless  $n=j$ . Hence using (9.18) one has

$$\hat{w}_i = \sum_{j,k} \frac{1}{h_j} \varepsilon_{ijk} \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{v}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_j} - \frac{1}{h_k} \frac{\partial h_j}{\partial \hat{x}_k} \hat{v}_i \right\}$$

This yields easily

$$\hat{W}_1 = \frac{1}{h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} (h_3 \hat{V}_3) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} (h_2 \hat{V}_2) \right\}, \dots, \dots \quad (9.24)$$

(F) Divergence of a symm. two-tensor field

$$\underline{v} = \nabla \cdot \underline{S}, \underline{S}^T = \underline{S} \quad \text{or} \quad v_i = \frac{\partial S_{ij}}{\partial x_j}, S_{ji} = S_{ij}$$

Using  $\hat{V}_i = A_{ip} V_p$ ,  $S_{ij} = A_{mp} A_{nj} \hat{S}_{mn}$ ,

and invoking (9.16), the orthogonality of  $[A_{ij}]$ , as well as (9.18), and  $\hat{S}_{ji} = \hat{S}_{ij}$ , one arrives at

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{V}_1 &= \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} (h_2 h_3 \hat{S}_{11}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} (h_3 h_1 \hat{S}_{12}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} (h_1 h_2 \hat{S}_{13}) \right. \\ &+ \frac{1}{h_1 h_2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial x_2} \hat{S}_{12} + \frac{1}{h_1 h_3} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial x_3} \hat{S}_{13} - \frac{1}{h_1 h_2} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial x_1} \hat{S}_{22} - \frac{1}{h_1 h_3} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial x_1} \hat{S}_{33} \\ &\dots, \dots \end{aligned}$$

(9.25)

Remark. Eqs. (9.20) - (9.25) reduce to their

Cartesian analogues if  $\mathcal{M}$  is the identity trans.

Exercise. Deduce (9.25)



(C) Transformations of the fundamental field eqs.  
of linear elasticity theory

$$\hat{u}_i = A_{ip} u_p, \quad \hat{\gamma}_{ij} = A_{ip} A_{jq} \gamma_{pq}, \quad \hat{\sigma}_{ij} = A_{ip} A_{jq} \sigma_{pq}$$

(a) Displacement-strain relations

$$\underline{\gamma} = \text{sym } \nabla \underline{u} \quad \text{or} \quad \gamma_{pq} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_p}{\partial x_q} + \frac{\partial u_q}{\partial x_p} \right)$$

From (B) and the formulas for  $\frac{\partial \hat{e}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \cdot \hat{e}_k$  one

finds after elementary simplifications:

$$\hat{\gamma}_{11} = \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial \hat{u}_1}{\partial \hat{x}_1} + \frac{1}{h_1 h_2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \hat{u}_2 + \frac{1}{h_1 h_3} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \hat{u}_3, \dots, \dots$$

$$\hat{\gamma}_{12} = \hat{\gamma}_{21} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{h_1}{h_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \left( \frac{\hat{u}_1}{h_1} \right) + \frac{h_2}{h_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \left( \frac{\hat{u}_2}{h_2} \right) \right\}, \dots, \dots$$

(9.)

(b) Displacement-dilatation & displacement-rotational  
relations

$$\hat{\nu} = \nabla \cdot \underline{u} = \gamma_{kk}, \quad \hat{\omega} = \frac{1}{2} \nabla \wedge \underline{u}$$

Hence from (C) and (E):

$$\mathcal{J} = \hat{\gamma}_{kk} =$$

$$\frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_1} (h_2 h_3 \hat{u}_1) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_2} (h_3 h_1 \hat{u}_2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_3} (h_1 h_2 \hat{u}_3) \right\}$$

$$\hat{w}_1 = \frac{1}{2h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_2} (h_3 \hat{u}_3) - \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_3} (h_2 \hat{u}_2) \right\}, \dots, \dots \quad (9.2)$$

(c) Stress-strain relations for isotropic elastic solids

$$\sigma_{ij} = 2\mu \left( \frac{\nu}{1-2\nu} \delta_{ij} \gamma_{kk} + \gamma_{ij} \right),$$

$$\gamma_{ij} = \frac{1}{\eta} [(1+\nu)\sigma_{ij} - \delta_{ij}\nu\sigma_{kk}]$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij} = 2\mu \left( \frac{\nu}{1-2\nu} \delta_{ij} \hat{\gamma}_{kk} + \hat{\gamma}_{ij} \right),$$

$$\hat{\gamma}_{ij} = \frac{1}{\eta} [(1+\nu)\hat{\sigma}_{ij} - \delta_{ij}\nu\hat{\sigma}_{kk}]$$

(9.29)

(d) Stress equations of motion and equilibrium

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{\underline{\sigma}} + \underline{\underline{f}} = \rho \underline{\underline{\ddot{u}}} \quad \text{or} \quad \sigma_{ij,j} + f_i = \rho \frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial t^2}$$

Hence from (F):

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_1} (h_2 h_3 \hat{\sigma}_{11}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_2} (h_3 h_1 \hat{\sigma}_{12}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_3} (h_1 h_2 \hat{\sigma}_{13}) \right\} \\ & + \frac{1}{h_1 h_2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \hat{\sigma}_{12} + \frac{1}{h_1 h_3} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \hat{\sigma}_{13} - \frac{1}{h_1 h_2} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \hat{\sigma}_{22} - \frac{1}{h_1 h_3} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \hat{\sigma}_{33} \\ & + \hat{f}_1 = \rho \frac{\partial^2 \hat{u}_1}{\partial t^2}, \dots, \dots \end{aligned}$$

Transformation of the Popkovich-Neuber sol.  
into orthogonal curvil. coordinates

Recall the PN-solution:

$$\underline{u} = \frac{1}{2\mu} \{ \nabla(\varphi + \underline{x} \cdot \underline{\psi}) - 4(1-\nu)\underline{u} \} \text{ on } \mathbb{R} \quad (a)$$

$$\nabla^2 \varphi = -\frac{\underline{x} \cdot \underline{f}}{2(1-\nu)}, \quad \nabla^2 \underline{\psi} = \frac{\underline{f}}{2(1-\nu)} \text{ on } \mathbb{R} \quad (b)$$

Note that the  $\hat{\psi}_i$  do not satisfy Poisson equations. For this reason we adhere to the Cartesian components of  $\underline{\psi}$  and set

$$\varphi(\underline{x}) = \bar{\varphi}(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3), \quad \psi_i(\underline{x}) = \bar{\psi}_i(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3)$$

Our objective is to express  $\hat{u}_i, \hat{\sigma}_{ij}$  in terms of  $\bar{\varphi}, \bar{\psi}_i$  and intrinsic partial derivatives of the four scalar potentials. Recalling (A), as well as

$$\hat{\psi}_i = A_{ij} \bar{\psi}_j = \frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial x_j}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \bar{\psi}_j,$$

one infers from (a) that

$$\hat{u}_i = \frac{1}{2\mu h_i} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_i} (\bar{\varphi} + x_i \bar{\psi}_i) - 4(1-\nu) \bar{\psi}_i \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \right\} \text{ or}$$

$$\hat{u}_i = \frac{1}{2\mu h_i} \left\{ \frac{\partial \bar{\varphi}}{\partial \hat{x}_i} + x_i \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}_i}{\partial \hat{x}_i} - (3-4\nu) \bar{\psi}_i \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \hat{x}_i} \right\} \quad (1)$$

Also, on setting  $f_i(x) = \bar{f}_i(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3)$  and invoking (D), one draws from (b) that

$$\nabla^2 \bar{\varphi} = -\frac{x_i \bar{f}_i}{2(1-\nu)}, \quad \nabla^2 \bar{\psi}_i = \frac{\bar{f}_i}{2(1-\nu)}$$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \left( \frac{h_2 h_3}{h_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \left( \frac{h_3 h_1}{h_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \left( \frac{h_1 h_2}{h_3} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \right) \right\}$$

Recall that (a), (b) imply

$$\mathcal{J} = I_1(\mathcal{J}) = \mathcal{J}_{kk} = \nabla \cdot \underline{u} = -\frac{1-2\nu}{\mu} \psi_{k,k}, \text{ whence}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{kk} = \hat{\mathcal{J}}_{kk} = -\frac{1-2\nu}{\mu} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \frac{\partial \hat{x}_j}{\partial x_k}$$

Remembering that

$$\frac{\partial \hat{x}_j}{\partial x_k} = \frac{1}{h_j} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_j},$$

one thus arrives at

$$\hat{\sigma}_{kk} = -\frac{1-2\nu}{\mu} \sum_j \frac{1}{h_j^2} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_j} \quad (3)$$

Now compute  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}$  from (1) and the curvilinear version of the displacement-strain relations. Subsequently use the resulting formulas in conjunction with (3) and the stress-strain relations

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij} = 2\mu \left( \frac{\nu}{1-2\nu} \delta_{ij} \hat{\sigma}_{kk} + \hat{\sigma}_{ij} \right)$$

to reach the desired representation of  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}$ .

In this manner one finds after simplifications

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma}_{11} = & \frac{1}{h_1^2} \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 \bar{\phi}}{\partial \hat{x}_1^2} - \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \frac{\partial \bar{\phi}}{\partial \hat{x}_1} + \frac{h_1}{h_2^2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \frac{\partial \bar{\phi}}{\partial \hat{x}_2} + \frac{h_1}{h_3^2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \frac{\partial \bar{\phi}}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \right\} \\ & + \frac{1}{h_1^2} \left\{ x_k \frac{\partial^2 \bar{\psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_1^2} - \left( \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_1} x_k + 2 \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \right) \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \right\} \\ & + \frac{1}{h_1} \left\{ \frac{1}{h_2^2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_2} x_k \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_2} + \frac{1}{h_3^2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_3} x_k \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \right\} \\ & + 2\nu \left\{ \frac{1}{h_1^2} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_1} - \frac{1}{h_2^2} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_2} - \frac{1}{h_3^2} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_3} \right\}, \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\sigma}_{12} = & \frac{1}{h_1 h_2} \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 \bar{\varphi}}{\partial \hat{x}_1 \partial \hat{x}_2} - \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \frac{\partial \bar{\varphi}}{\partial \hat{x}_1} - \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \frac{\partial \bar{\varphi}}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \right\} \\
 & + \frac{1}{h_1 h_2} \left\{ \chi_k \frac{\partial^2 \bar{\Psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_1 \partial \hat{x}_2} - \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \chi_k \frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_2} - \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \chi_k \frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \right. \\
 & \left. - (1-2\gamma) \left( \frac{\partial \chi_k}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_1} + \frac{\partial \chi_k}{\partial \hat{x}_1} \frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}_k}{\partial \hat{x}_2} \right) \right\}, \dots, \dots
 \end{aligned}$$