

ON A CONSTRUCTION OF APPROXIMATE SOLUTIONS FOR THE  
GEOMETRICALLY AND PHYSICALLY NONLINEAR AND NON-SHALLOW  
SHELLS

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**Abstract.** In this paper the geometrically and physically nonlinear and non-shallow shells are considered. Under non-shallow shells will be meant 3-D shell-type elastic bodies satisfying the conditions  $|hb_\alpha^\beta| \leq q < 1$  ( $\alpha, \beta = 1, 2$ ), in contrast to shallow shells, for which the assumption  $hb_\alpha^\beta \cong 0$  is accepted, where  $h$  is the semi-thickness and  $b_\alpha^\beta$  are mixed components of the curvature tensor of the shell's midsurface.

Using the method I. Vekua [1] and the method of a small parameter [2] 2-D system of equations for the nonlinear and non-shallow shells is obtained. For any approximation of order  $N$  the complex representation Vekua-Bitsadze [3] of the general solutions are obtained.

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A complete system of equilibrium equation and the stress-strain relations of the 3-D nonlinear theory of elasticity can be written as:

$$\nabla_i \sigma^i + \Phi = 0, \quad \sigma^i = (E^{ijpq} + E^{ijpqsk} e_{sk}) e_{pq} (\mathbf{R}_j + \partial_j \mathbf{u}) \quad (i, \dots, k = 1, 2, 3),$$

where  $\nabla_i$  are covariant derivatives relatively to the space curvilinear coordinates  $x^i$ ,  $\sigma^i$  and  $\Phi$  are, respectively, the contravariant "constituents" of the stress vector and an external force,  $e_{ij}$  are covariant components of the strain tensor,  $\mathbf{u}$  is the displacement vector:

$$2e_{ij} = \mathbf{R}_i \partial_j \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{R}_j \partial_i \mathbf{u} + \partial_i \mathbf{u} \partial_j \mathbf{u}, \quad E^{ijpq} = \lambda g^{ij} g^{pq} + \mu (g^{ip} g^{jq} + g^{iq} g^{jp}),$$

$$E^{ijpqsk} = E_1 g^{ij} g^{pq} g^{sk} + E_2 (g^{ij} g^{pq} g^{sk} - g^{ij} g^{pk} g^{qs}) + E_3 g^{ip} g^{jq} g^{sk} + E_4 g^{is} g^{pq} g^{jk}.$$

Here  $g^{ij} = \mathbf{R}^i \mathbf{R}^j$ ,  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are Lamé's constants and  $E_1, E_2, E_3, E_4$  are modules of elasticity of the second order isotropic elastic bodies,  $\mathbf{R}_i$  and  $\mathbf{R}^i$  are covariant and contravariant basis vectors of the space domain  $\Omega$ , which are connected with the basis vectors  $\mathbf{r}_i$  and  $\mathbf{r}^i$  of the midsurface  $S$  ( $x^3 = 0$ ) by the following relations:

$$\mathbf{R}_i = A_i^j \mathbf{r}_j, \quad \mathbf{R}^i = A_i^j \mathbf{r}^j, \quad A_\alpha^\beta = a_\alpha^\beta - x_3 b_\alpha^\beta, \quad A_i^3 = A_3^i = \delta_{i3},$$

$$A_\beta^\alpha = \vartheta^{-1} [a_\beta^\alpha + x_3 (b_\beta^\alpha - 2H a_\beta^\alpha)], \quad \vartheta = 1 - 2H x_3 + K x_3^2,$$

where  $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{r}^3$  is the normal of the midsurface  $S$ ,  $H$  and  $K$  are middle and Gaussian curvatures of  $S$ ,  $a_\alpha^\beta = \mathbf{r}_\alpha \mathbf{r}^\beta$ ,  $a_{\alpha\beta} = \mathbf{r}_\alpha \mathbf{r}_\beta$ ,  $a = \det\{a_{\alpha\beta}\}$ , ( $\alpha, \beta = 1, 2$ ).

It should be noted that for the shallow shells we have:

$$\mathbf{R}_\alpha \cong \mathbf{r}_\alpha, \quad \mathbf{R}^\alpha \cong \mathbf{r}^\alpha, \quad g \cong a, \quad A_\alpha^\beta \cong a_\alpha^\beta, \quad A_\beta^\alpha \cong a_\beta^\alpha, \quad g = \det\{\mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j\}.$$

For the Koiter-Naghdi refined theory of shells these relations have the form:

$$\mathbf{R}^\alpha = (a_\beta^\alpha + x_3 b_\beta^\alpha) \mathbf{r}^\beta, \quad \mathbf{R}_\alpha = (a_\alpha^\beta - x_3 b_\alpha^\beta) \mathbf{r}_\beta.$$

Now following I.Vekua we assume the validity of the expansions:

$$\left( \vartheta \boldsymbol{\sigma}^i, \mathbf{u}, \vartheta \boldsymbol{\Phi} \right) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left( h \boldsymbol{\sigma}^i, h^2 \mathbf{u}, \boldsymbol{\Phi} \right) P_m \left( \frac{x_3}{h} \right), \quad (-h \leq x_3 \leq h)$$

where  $P_m$  is Legendre polynomials of the order  $m$ .

To introduce a small parameter  $\varepsilon = \frac{h}{R}$ , where  $R$  is a certain radius of curvature of the midsurface  $S$ , will be obtained the following infinite system of 2-D equations:

$$\begin{aligned} h \nabla_\alpha \sigma^{\alpha\beta} - \varepsilon b_\alpha^\beta \sigma^{\alpha\beta} R - (2m+1) \left( \sigma^{3\beta} + \sigma^{3\beta} + \dots \right) + F^\beta &= 0, \\ h \nabla_\alpha \sigma^{\alpha\beta} + \varepsilon b_\alpha^\beta \sigma^{\alpha\beta} R - (2m+1) \left( \sigma_3^3 + \sigma_3^3 + \dots \right) + F^3 &= 0, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$(\sigma^{ij} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^i \mathbf{r}^j, \quad m = 0, 1, \dots)$$

where  $\mathbf{F} = \boldsymbol{\Phi} + \frac{2m+1}{2h} \left[ \vartheta \boldsymbol{\sigma}^3 - (-1)^m \vartheta \boldsymbol{\sigma}^3 \right], \boldsymbol{\sigma}^3 = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^3(x^1, x^2, \pm h), \vartheta = 1 \mp 2Hh + Kh^2$ .

The stress-strain relation have the form

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^i &= \frac{1}{2} M^{i_1 j_1 p_1 q_1} \left\{ \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \left[ A_{i_1 p_1}^{i p} \left( h D_p^{(m_1)} u_{q_1} - \varepsilon R D_p \mathbf{r}_{q_1} \cdot \mathbf{u} \right) + A_{i_1 q_1}^{i q} \left( h D_q^{(m_1)} u_{p_1} \right. \right. \right. \\ &\left. \left. \left. - \varepsilon R D_q \mathbf{r}_{p_1} \cdot \mathbf{u} \right) \right] \mathbf{r}_{j_1} + \sum_{m_1, m_2=0}^{\infty} + \dots \right\} + \frac{1}{4} M^{i_1 j_1 p_1 q_1 s_1 k_1} \left\{ \dots + \sum_{m_1, \dots, m_5=0}^{\infty} A_{i_1 j_1 p_1 q_1 s_1 k_1}^{i j p q s k} \right. \\ &\left. \left[ \left( h D_p^{(m_1)} u_{p_2} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{p_2} + \varepsilon R D_p \mathbf{r}^{p_2} \cdot u_{p_2} \right) \dots \left( h D_j^{(m_5)} u_{j_2} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{j_2} + \varepsilon R D_j \mathbf{r}^{j_2} \cdot u_{j_2} \right) \right] \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} D_i \mathbf{u} &= \delta_i^\beta \nabla_\beta \mathbf{u} + \delta_i^3 \mathbf{u}', \quad \mathbf{u}' = (2m+1) \left( \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{u} + \dots \right), \quad D_\alpha \mathbf{r}_\beta = b_{\alpha\beta} \mathbf{n}, \\ D_\alpha \mathbf{n} &= -b_\alpha^\beta \mathbf{r}_\beta, \quad D_3 \mathbf{r}_i = 0, \quad M^{i_1 j_1 p_1 q_1} = \lambda a^{i_1 j_1} a^{p_1 q_1} + \mu \left( a^{i_1 p_1} a^{j_1 q_1} + a^{i_1 q_1} a^{j_1 p_1} \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_{i_1 p_1}^{i p} &= \frac{2m+1}{2h} \int_{-h}^h \vartheta A_{i_1}^i A_{p_1}^p P_m P_n dx_3, \quad A_{i_1 \dots k_1}^{i \dots k} \\ &= h^4 \frac{2m+1}{2h} \int_{-h}^h \vartheta A_{i_1}^i \dots A_{k_1}^k P_{m_1} \dots P_m dx_3, \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Integrals of the type (3) lend themselves to explicit calculation [4].

To find components of the displacement vector  $\mathbf{u}^{(m)}$  and stress tensor  $\sigma^{ij(m)}$  we take of following series expansions with respect to the small parameter  $\varepsilon$ :

$$\left( \mathbf{u}^{(m)}, \sigma^{ij(m)}, F \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \mathbf{u}^{(m,n)}, \sigma^{ij(m,n)}, F \right) \varepsilon^n. \quad (m = 0, 1, \dots, N)$$

Substituting the above expansions into the (1) and (2) than equalizing the coefficients of expansions for  $\varepsilon^n$  we obtain the following 2-D finite system of equilibrium equations with respect to components of displacement vector in the isometric coordinates  $a_{11} = a_{22} = \Lambda(x^1, x^2)$ , which has the form:

$$\begin{aligned} & 4\mu\partial_{\bar{z}}\left(\Lambda^{-1}\partial_z u_+^{(m,n)}\right) + 2(\lambda + \mu)\partial_{\bar{z}}\theta^{(m,n)} + 2\lambda\partial_{\bar{z}}u_3^{(m,n)} - (2m + 1)\mu \\ & \times \left[ 2\partial_{\bar{z}}\left(u_3^{(m-1,n)} + u_3^{(m-3,n)} + \dots\right) + u_+^{(m-1,n)} + u_+^{(m-3,n)} + \dots \right] + F_+^{(m,n)} = 0, \quad (4) \\ & \mu\left(\nabla^2 u_3^{(m,n)} + \theta'^{(m,n)}\right) - (2m + 1)\left[\lambda\left(\theta^{(m-1,n)} + \theta^{(m-3,n)} + \dots\right)\right. \\ & \left. + (\lambda + 2\mu)\left(u_3^{(m-1,n)} + u_3^{(m-3,n)} + \dots\right)\right] + F_3^{(m,n)} = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $u_+ = u_1 + iu_2$ ,  $\theta = \Lambda^{-1}\left(\partial_z u_+ \partial_{\bar{z}} \bar{u}_+\right)$ ,  $z = x^1 + ix^2$ ,  $2\partial_z = \partial_1 - i\partial_2$ ,  $\nabla^2 = \frac{4}{\Lambda} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}$ .

Obviously, in passing from the  $n$ -th step of approximation to the  $(n + 1)$ -th step only the right-hand of equations are changed. Below it will be omit upper index  $n$ . The general solution of the homogeneous system (4) we can find the form

$$\begin{aligned} u_+^{(m)} &= \partial_{\bar{z}} V_+^{(m)} + \left( \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_S \frac{\overline{\varphi_0'(\zeta)} - \varkappa_1 \varphi_0'(\zeta) dS_\zeta}{\bar{\zeta} - \bar{z}} - \overline{\psi_0'(z)} \right) \delta_{0m} \\ & - \left( \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_S \frac{\varphi_1'(\zeta) + \overline{\varphi_1'(\zeta)} dS_\zeta}{\bar{\zeta} - \bar{z}} + \eta_1 \overline{\varphi_1''(z)} - 2\overline{\psi_1'(z)} \right) \delta_{1m} + \varkappa_2 \overline{\varphi_0''(z)} \delta_{2m} + \eta_2 \overline{\varphi_1''(z)} \delta_{3m}, \\ u_3^{(m)} &= V_3^{(m)} - \left( \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_S (\varphi_1'(\zeta) + \overline{\varphi_1'(\zeta)}) \ln|\zeta - z| dS_\zeta - \psi_1(z) - \overline{\psi_1(z)} \right) \delta_{0m} \\ & - \frac{3}{2} \varkappa_2 \left[ (\varphi_0'(z) + \overline{\varphi_0'(z)}) \delta_{1m} - (\varphi_1'(z) + \overline{\varphi_1'(z)}) \delta_{2m} \right], \quad (m = 0, 1, \dots, N) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$V_1^{(0)} = V_2^{(0)} = 0, \quad u_3^{(0)} = \psi_1(z) + \overline{\psi_1(z)}, \quad \text{if } N = 0, \quad (dS_\zeta = \Lambda(\zeta, \bar{\zeta}) d\zeta d\bar{\zeta}, \quad \zeta = \xi + i\eta).$$

where  $\varphi_0'(z), \varphi_1'(z), \psi_0'(z), \psi_1'(z)$  are holomorphic functions of  $z$  and express the biharmonic solution of the system (4). Then  $\varkappa_1, \varkappa_2, \eta_1, \eta_2$  are known constants.

Substituting expressions (5) into (4) the matrix equations for  $V_i^{(m)}$  are obtained

$$\nabla^2 V - AV = X, \quad \nabla^2 \Omega - B\Omega = Y, \quad (6)$$

where  $V$  and  $\Omega$  are column-matrices of the form

$$V = \left( V_1^{(0)}, V_1^{(1)}, \dots, V_1^{(N)}, V_3^{(0)}, V_3^{(1)}, \dots, V_3^{(N)} \right)^T, \quad \Omega = \left( V_2^{(0)}, V_2^{(1)}, \dots, V_2^{(N)} \right)^T,$$

and  $A$  and  $B$  are block-matrices  $2N + 2 \times 2N + 2$  and  $N \times N$  respectively.

Using now the formulae Vekua-Bitsadze for the homogenous matrix equations (6) we obtain the following complex representation of the general solutions

$$V = 2Re\left\{ \varphi(z) + \frac{A}{4} \int_{z_0}^z \int_{\bar{z}_0}^{\bar{z}} \Lambda(t, \bar{t}) R(z, \bar{z}, t, \bar{t}) \varphi(t) dt d\bar{t} \right\},$$

$$\Omega = 2Re\left\{ f(z) + \frac{B}{4} \int_{z_0}^z \int_{\bar{z}_0}^{\bar{z}} \Lambda(t, \bar{t}) r(z, \bar{z}, t, \bar{t}) f(t) dt d\bar{t} \right\},$$

where  $R$  and  $r$  are the Riemann's matrix functions of the equations (6),  $\varphi(z)$  and  $f(z)$  are holomorphic column-matrices:

$$\varphi(z) = (\varphi_2(z), \dots, \varphi_N(z), \varphi_{N+1}(z), \dots, \varphi_{2N}(z))^T, \quad f(z) = (f_1(z), \dots, f_N(z))^T.$$

Then particular solutions of the matrix equations (6) have the form

$$\hat{V}(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{z_0}^z \int_{\bar{z}_0}^{\bar{z}} \Lambda(t, \bar{t}) \hat{R}(z, \bar{z}, t, \bar{t}) X(t, \bar{t}) dt d\bar{t},$$

$$\hat{\Omega}(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{z_0}^z \int_{\bar{z}_0}^{\bar{z}} \Lambda(t, \bar{t}) \hat{r}(z, \bar{z}, t, \bar{t}) Y(t, \bar{t}) dt d\bar{t}.$$

where  $\hat{R}$  and  $\hat{r}$  are so-called elementary solutions of (6).

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