Some Extensions and Analysis of Flux and Stress Theory

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Generalized Bodies

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Organisms

- *Material points, bodies and subbodies* are primitive concepts in continuum mechanics. These notions are somehow related to the conservation of mass.
- In growing bodies, material points are added and removed from the body.
- Examples: fingerprints, birthmarks are distinguishable.
- An *organism* has a body structure although mass is not preserved. Can formalize this idea?
- Assume we have an extensive property.



The Material Structure Induced by an Extensive Property

In the classical case we have the flux vector field *h*. It can be integrated to give us a material structure.

A material point is identified with an integral line (a flow line). This procedure may induce material structure associated with any extensive property, e.g., color and energy.



- $\frac{h}{\rho}$ will be the velocity field of the material points.
- Can we generalize the same idea for the general manifold case where the flow (m 1)-form replaces the vector field?

The Case where a Volume Element is Specified

It is not necessary to have a metric structure in order that the flux form *J* be represented by a vector field.

Assume that you have a *volume element* θ (*m*-form) on \mathcal{U} . This may be thought of as the density of the property *p* if it is positive or another positive property, e.g., mass.



Given J and θ, find a vector v such that for every pair of tangent vectors, *u*, *w*,

$$\theta(v, u, w) = J(u, w)$$
 written as $J = v \lrcorner \theta$.

- For a given θ there is a unique such vector *v*—*the kinematic flux*—a generalization of the velocity field.
- The vector field *v* depends linearly on the flux *J*.

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The Flux Bundle

Let us examine how the kinematic flux v varies as we vary the volume element.

Since the space of *m*-forms at x is 1-dimensional, as we vary the volume element the resulting vectors v remain on a line (1-D subspace of the tangent space).



- Another characterization: If a surface element (say the one defined by the vectors u, w) contains the line, the flux through it vanishes.
- This is analogous to the situation with the velocity field.
- A collections of subspaces is referred to as a *distribution*. This distribution is the *flux bundle*.

Generalized Body Points

Integral manifolds of the distribution, the 1-dimensional flux bundle in this case, are submanifolds whose tangent space at a point is the corresponding line of the flux bundle at that point.

In general such integral manifolds need not exist (higher dimensions), however they always exist for 1-dimensional bundles as is the case here.



- Each integral line manifold is identified with a *body point*.
- Actual formulation is done on space-time manifold to allow time dependent fluxes. There β is included in τ and dJ = s.

Frames in Space-Time



Property-Induced Fibration and Frame



Space Formulation VS. Space-Time Formulation

Space Formulation $\dim \mathscr{U} = 3$

Balance

surface term source term flux form variables field equation $\beta + dI = s$

dim $\mathscr{B} = 3$ $\int \beta + \int \tau = \int s$ 2-form on a 3-D manifold 3-form on a 3-D manifold *I*—3 components

—time dependent



Flow Potentials

- Although we do not have vector velocity fields, we have material points.
- In addition, we have analogs for the flow potentials.
- In the case s = 0 we obtain (say the 4-D case) dJ = 0.
- Assume that *A* is any (m 2)-form on \mathscr{U} . Then, J = dA satisfies the differential balance equation—*A* is a *flow potential*. Since in general,

$$\int_{\partial M} \iota^* \omega = \int_M d\omega$$

for every control region \mathscr{B}

$$\int_{\mathscr{B}} dJ = \int_{\partial \mathscr{B}} \iota^*(J) = \int_{\partial \mathscr{B}} \iota^*(dA) = \int_{\partial (\partial \mathscr{B}) = \varnothing} \iota^*(\iota^*(A)) = 0.$$

Summary: The Structure on Space-Time manifold Associated with an Extensive Property

- Balance laws are formulated in terms of forms.
- The flux vector field is replaced by a flux (m 1)-form in the *m*-dimensional space.
- Flow lines still make sense using the flux bundle.
- Generalized body points may be associated with an arbitrary extensive property—*organisms*.
- A particularly compact formulation in space-time.
- A positive extensive property induces a material frame.

Stresses for Generalized Bodies

Forces for Generalized Bodies

- Force densities are linear mappings on the values of the generalized velocities.
- In the case where a material structure is induce by an extensive property and a volume element is given, the induced generalized velocity *w* depends linearly on the flux form *J*.
- It would be a natural generalization to replace generalized velocities by flux forms as fields on which forces operate to produce power.
- The physical dimension of forces will not be power per unit velocity but power per per unit flux of the property *p*.
- For the spacetime formulation $F_{\mathscr{B}}(J) = \int t_{\mathscr{B}}(J), \quad \mathscr{B} \subset \mathscr{E}.$

•
$$t_{\mathscr{B}}(e): \bigwedge^{m-1} T_e^* \mathscr{E} \to \bigwedge^{m-1} T_e^* \partial \mathscr{B}.$$

Stresses for Generalized Bodies

- Consider the energy extensive property. It has a flux density term $\int_{\partial \mathscr{B}} \tau^{(e)}$ and a corresponding flux form $J^{(e)}$ such that $\tau^{(e)} = \iota^* \circ J^{(e)}$.
- On the other hand the flux density of energy may be written in terms of the boundary force as *t*_𝔅(*J*).
- Cauchy's theorem implies that $t_{\mathscr{B}} = \iota^* \circ \sigma$ so the energy flux density is $\tau^{(e)} = \iota^* \circ J^{(e)} = \iota^* \circ \sigma(J)$. Hence,

$$J^{(e)} = \sigma(J)$$



The Cauchy stress is the linear mapping that transforms the flux of the property p into the flux of energy.

- $\sigma_e: \bigwedge^{m-1} T_e^* \mathscr{E} \to \bigwedge^{m-1} T_e^* \mathscr{E}$. The stress at a point (event) is a linear transformation on the space of (m-1)-forms.
- May be applied to "resources" other then energy?

Local Representation of Stress-Tensors

- Denote by {êⁱ} the basis of the *m*-dimensional space of (*m* − 1)-forms. Denote its dual basis by {ê_j}.
- Since the stress at a point is a linear transformation on the space of (m-1)-forms it may be represented in the form $\hat{\sigma}_i^{\ j} \hat{e}_j \otimes \hat{e}^i$.
- If we had a volume element θ we would have an isomorphism $\bigwedge^{m-1}(T^*\mathscr{U}) \leftrightarrow T\mathscr{U}$ of (m-1)-forms and vectors, such that $J \leftrightarrow v$ are given by $\theta(v, u, w) = J(u, w)$.
- Thus, with a volume element and due to the following structure,



one may represent a stress σ by a linear transformation $\tilde{\sigma}$ on $T\mathscr{U}$.

• Surprisingly, $\tilde{\sigma}$ is independent of the volume element θ . In fact, you can construct a natural isomorphism $\sigma \leftrightarrow \tilde{\sigma}$ without a volume element.

Maxwell Stress-Energy Tensor without a Metric

- Maxwell 2-form: g, a flow potential for J, i.e., J = dg.
- Faraday 2-form: f such that df = 0.
- Assume a volume element and set *w* = *i*_θ(*J*) to be the vector field representing the flux form.
- define the stress-energy tensor as the section σ of $L(\bigwedge^{m-1}(T^*\mathscr{U}), \bigwedge^{m-1}(T^*\mathscr{U}))$ by

$$\sigma(J) = (w \lrcorner \mathfrak{g}) \land \mathfrak{f} - (w \lrcorner \mathfrak{f}) \land \mathfrak{g}.$$

• The power is

$$d\sigma(J) = (w \lrcorner \mathfrak{f}) \land J + (\mathscr{L}_w \mathfrak{g}) \land \mathfrak{f} - (\mathscr{L}_w \mathfrak{f}) \land \mathfrak{g}.$$

—a generalization of the Lorentz force $(w \sqcup \mathfrak{f}) \land J$. (\mathscr{L} is the Lie derivative.) The two additional terms cancel in the traditional situation.