

# ELASTIC BODIES WITH MICROSTRUCTURE: PROBLEMS OF STABILITY

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## INTRODUCTION

Stability of solutions in linear elasticity has been considered in [3]. Sufficient stability conditions for the solution of linear dynamic viscoelasticity and in linear dynamic micropolar viscoelasticity are presented in [4] and [5].

We are dealing here with the stability of the equilibrium solution of homogeneous mixed initial boundary-value problem.

## 1. PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATIONS

Throughout this paper, we employ a rectangular coordinate system  $x_K$  and the indicial notation. Consider an elastic medium with microstructure occupying the domain  $(\Omega)$  of the three-dimensional Euclidian space, whose boundary is  $(\partial\Omega)$ , in the time  $[0, T]$ ,  $0 < T < \infty$ . The basic equations in the linear theory of these bodies are [1]:

- the equations of motion:

$$\begin{cases} (\tau_{ij} + \sigma_{ji})_{,j} + F_i = \rho \cdot \ddot{u}_i \\ \tau_{ij,k} + \sigma_{ij} + L_{ij} = I_{is} \cdot \ddot{\Psi}_{sj} ; \tau_{ij} = \sigma_{ji} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

in  $\Omega \times ]0, T[$ , for any fixed  $T$ ;

- the constitutive law:

$$\begin{cases} \tau_{ij} = a_{ijkl} \cdot \varepsilon_{ke} + g_{klj} \cdot \gamma_{ke} + f_{kmnij} \cdot \chi_{kmn} , \\ \sigma_{ij} = g_{ijkl} \cdot \varepsilon_{ke} + b_{klj} \cdot \gamma_{kl} + d_{ijkmn} \cdot \chi_{kmn} , \\ \mu_{ijk} = f_{ijkmn} \cdot \varepsilon_{mn} + d_{mnijk} \cdot \gamma_{mn} + c_{ijkmen} \cdot \chi_{kme} , \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

- the cinematic relations:

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}) , \\ \gamma_{ij} = u_{j,i} + \psi_{ij} , \\ \chi_{ijk} = \psi_{jk,i} . \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

In the above equations, we have used the following notation:  $u_i$  – components of the displacement vector;  $\psi_{ij}$  – components of the microdisplacement tensor;  $\varepsilon_{ij}$ ,  $\gamma_{ij}$ ,  $\chi_{ijk}$  – kinematic characteristics of the strain;  $F_i$  – components of the body force;  $L_{ij}$  – components of body microforce;  $\tau_{ij}$  – components of the classical stress tensor;  $\sigma_{ij}$  – components of the relative stress tensor;  $\tau_{ijk}$  – components of the couple-stress tensor;  $\rho(x)$ ,  $I_{ij}(x)$ ,  $a_{ijkl}(x)$ ,  $b_{ijkl}(x)$ ,  $c_{ijkml}(x)$ ,  $g_{ijkl}(x)$ ,  $f_{ijkmn}(x)$ ,  $d_{ijkmn}(x)$ , characteristic functions of the material, the comma denotes partial differentiations with respect to the space variables  $x_i$ , a dot denotes partial derivation with respect to time.

We assume that the characteristic functions of the material are bounded and measurable functions in  $(\overline{\Omega}) = (\Omega) \cup (\partial\Omega)$ , and satisfy:

$$\begin{cases} \rho(x) \geq \rho_0 > 0 \\ \dot{I}_{ij}(x) = \dot{I}_{ji}(x) , I_{jk} \cdot \xi_{ij} \cdot \xi_{ik} \geq I \cdot \xi_{ij} \cdot \xi_{ji} , \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

for any tensor  $\xi(\xi_{ij})$ ,  $I$  - being a constant  $> 0$ , and:

$$\begin{cases} a_{ijkl} = a_{klij} = a_{jilk} , b_{ijkl} = b_{klij} \\ c_{ijklm} = c_{mljik} , \\ f_{ijkmn} = f_{jikmn} , g_{ijkl} = g_{jikl} . \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

To the system of field equations, we add the initial conditions:

$$\begin{cases} u_i(x, 0) = a_i(x) , \dot{u}_i(x, 0) = b_i(x) \\ \Psi_{ij}(x, 0) = c_{ij}(x) , \dot{\Psi}_{ij}(x, 0) = d_{ij}(x) , \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

$x \in (\Omega)$  and the homogeneous boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0, \text{ on } (\partial\Omega_u) \cup ]0, T[ , \\ t_i(\mathbf{x}, t) = (\tau_{ji} + \sigma_{ji})n_j = 0, \text{ on } (\partial\Omega_t) \times ]0, T[ , \\ \Psi_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0, \text{ on } (\partial\Omega_\Psi) \cup ]0, T[ , \\ T_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mu_{kij}n_k = 0, \text{ on } (\partial\Omega_T) \times ]0, T[ , \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

$$\int_{\Omega} A(\varepsilon_{ij}, \gamma_{ij}, \chi_{ijk}) d\Omega \geq \alpha \cdot \|u(\mathbf{x}, t)\|_+^2, \quad (11)$$

$$\alpha = \text{const.} \geq 0$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_i$ ,  $\mathbf{b}_i$ ,  $\mathbf{c}_{ij}$ ,  $\mathbf{d}_{ij}$  are prescribed functions,  $\mathbf{n}_i$  are components of the unit outward normal to  $(\partial\Omega)$  and  $(\partial\Omega_u), (\partial\Omega_t), (\partial\Omega_\Psi), (\partial\Omega_T)$  denote subset of such that:

$$\begin{cases} (\partial\Omega) = (\partial\Omega_u) \cup (\partial\Omega_t) = (\partial\Omega_\Psi) \cup (\partial\Omega_T) ; \\ (\partial\Omega_u) \cap (\partial\Omega_T) = (\partial\Omega_\Psi) \cap (\partial\Omega_T) = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Let  $\mathbf{C}_0^\infty(\Omega)$  be the vector functions with compact support in  $(\Omega)$  and components of  $C^\infty(\Omega)$ .

Let  $\mathbf{H}_0, \mathbf{H}_+$  be the Hilbert spaces obtained by completion of  $\mathbf{C}_0^\infty(\Omega)$  under the norms  $\| \cdot \|_0, \| \cdot \|_+$  induced by inner products

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_{H_0} &= \int_{\Omega} (\mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_i + \Psi_{jk} \cdot \varphi_{jk}) d\Omega , \\ (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_{H_+} &= \int_{\Omega} (\mathbf{u}_{i,j} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{i,j} + \Psi_{ij,k} \cdot \varphi_{ij,k}) d\Omega , \end{aligned}$$

respectively, and let  $\mathbf{H}$  be the completion of  $\mathbf{C}_0^\infty(\Omega)$  by means of the norm:

$$\|u\| = \sup_{v \in H_+} \frac{|(u, v)_{H_0}|}{\|v\|_+}, \text{ where } u = (u_i, \Psi_{jk}),$$

$$v = (v_i, \varphi_{jk}) .$$

We introduce the notation:

$$\begin{aligned} A(\varepsilon_{ij}, \gamma_{ij}, \chi_{ijk}) &= a_{ijkl} \cdot \varepsilon_{ij} \cdot \varepsilon_{kl} + b_{ijkl} \cdot \gamma_{ij} \cdot \gamma_{kl} + \\ &+ c_{ijkml} \cdot \chi_{ijk} \cdot \chi_{mnl} + 2 \cdot g_{ijkl} \cdot \gamma_{ij} \cdot \varepsilon_{kl} + \\ &+ 2 \cdot f_{ijkmn} \cdot \chi_{ijk} \cdot \varepsilon_{mn} + 2 \cdot d_{ijkmn} \cdot \gamma_{ij} \cdot \chi_{kmn}, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$E(\mathbf{t}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} (\rho \cdot \dot{u}_i^2 + I_{is} \cdot \dot{\Psi}_{ij} \cdot \dot{\Psi}_{ij} + A(\varepsilon_{ij}, \gamma_{ij}, \chi_{ijk})) d\Omega \quad (9)$$

$$p(\mathbf{t}) = \int_{\Omega} (F_i \cdot \dot{u}_i + L_{ij} \cdot \dot{\Psi}_{ij}) d\Omega \quad (10)$$

We suppose that:

## 2. STABILITY ANALYSIS

The null solution is stable under perturbation  $u_i, \Psi_{ij}$  satisfying (1) – (7) if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta_\varepsilon$  such that [3]:

$$\left[ \int_{\Omega(0)} (\rho \cdot u_i \cdot u_i + I_{ij} \cdot \Psi_{is} \cdot \Psi_{js}) d\Omega + Q \right] < \delta \quad (12)$$

implies that:

$$\sup_{0 \leq t < T} \left[ \int_{\Omega(t)} (\rho \cdot u_i \cdot u_i + I_{ij} \cdot \Psi_{is} \cdot \Psi_{js}) d\Omega + Q \right] < \varepsilon \quad (13)$$

where  $\Omega(t)$  denotes integration over the volume of the body at time  $t$ , while  $Q$  is an appropriately chosen positive functional of the initial data which tends to zero as the initial data tend to zero. Its precise form will be specified later. We say that a solution is unstable when it is not stable.

**Theorem 2.1.** In condition (11) the null solution is stable for  $\mathbf{F}_i = 0, \mathbf{L}_{ij} = 0$ .

**Proof.** Consider the functions  $G(t)$  defined by:

$$G(t) = \ln[F(t) + Q] + t^2 \quad (14)$$

where:

$$F(t) = \int_{\Omega(t)} (\rho \cdot u_i \cdot u_i + I_{ij} \cdot \Psi_{is} \cdot \Psi_{js}) d\Omega \quad (15)$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} (F+Q)^2 \cdot \ddot{G} &\equiv (F+Q) \cdot \ddot{F} - (\dot{F})^2 + 2(F+Q)^2 \geq 0, \\ 0 \leq t \leq T \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

From (15) and (4) we obtain:

$$\dot{F} = 2 \int_{\Omega(t)} (\rho \cdot u_i \cdot \dot{u}_i + I_{ij} \cdot \Psi_{is} \cdot \dot{\Psi}_{js}) d\Omega \quad (17)$$

and:

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{F} = 2 \int_{\Omega(t)} (\rho \cdot \dot{u}_i \cdot \dot{u}_i + I_{ij} \cdot \dot{\psi}_{is} \cdot \dot{\psi}_{js} + \rho \cdot u_i \cdot \ddot{u}_i + \\ + I_{ij} \cdot \psi_{is} \cdot \ddot{\psi}_{js}) d\Omega \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Applying the divergence theorem and taking into account (1), (7), from (18), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{F} = 2 \int_{\Omega(t)} [(\rho \cdot \dot{u}_i \cdot \dot{u}_i + I_{ij} \cdot \dot{\psi}_{is} \cdot \dot{\psi}_{js} - (\tau_{ij} \cdot \varepsilon_{ij} + \\ + \sigma_{ij} \cdot \gamma_{ij} + \mu_{ijk} \cdot \chi_{ijk})] d\Omega \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

From (19) and (9), we get:

$$\ddot{F} = -4E(t) + 4 \int_{\Omega(t)} (\rho \cdot \dot{u}_i \cdot \dot{u}_i + I_{ij} \cdot \dot{\psi}_{is} \cdot \dot{\psi}_{js}) d\Omega \quad (20)$$

Since  $E(t)$  defined by (9) is time-independent (i.e.  $E(0) = E(t)$ ), from (19) we obtain:

$$\ddot{F} = -4E(0) + 4 \int_{\Omega(t)} (\rho \cdot \dot{u}_i \cdot \dot{u}_i + I_{ij} \cdot \dot{\psi}_{is} \cdot \dot{\psi}_{js}) d\Omega \quad (21)$$

Taking into account (21), (17) we use Schwarz's inequality to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} (F + Q) \ddot{F} - (\dot{F})^2 \geq -4E_{(0)} (F + Q) + \\ + 4Q \int_{\Omega(t)} \rho \dot{u}_i^2 d\Omega \geq 4E_{(0)} (F + Q) \geq -2Q(F + Q) \geq \\ \geq -2(F + Q)^2, \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

provided  $Q$  is chosen to satisfy  $Q \geq 2E_{(0)}$ .

Thus (16) is established.

From (16) there results the convexity on  $G(t)$  on  $[0, T]$ .

From the convexity of  $G(t)$ , it immediately follows that:

$$\begin{aligned} G(t) \leq G\left(\frac{t}{T}T + \left(1 - \frac{t}{T}\right) \cdot 0\right) \leq \frac{t}{T}G(t) + \left(1 - \frac{t}{T}\right) \cdot G(0), \\ 0 \leq t \leq T, \end{aligned} \quad (23), \quad i.e.$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(t) + Q \leq e^{t(T-t)} \cdot [F(T) + Q]^{\frac{t}{T}} \cdot [F(0) + Q]^{1 - \frac{t}{T}}, \\ 0 \leq t \leq T \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Since all term on the right of (24) remain bounded, it follows that for  $0 \leq t < T$  arbitrarily small

values of  $F(0) + Q$  imply arbitrarily small values of  $F(t) + Q$ .

This concludes the proof of the theorem.

**Theorem 2.2.** The equilibrium solution of the linear dynamic theory of elastic media with microstructure is uniformly Liapunov stable with respect to the measures

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(u) = \left\| \dot{u}(x, t) \right\|_0^2 + \left\| u(x, t) \right\|_+^2, \\ \mu_0(u) = \left\| \dot{u}(x, 0) \right\|_0^2 + \left\| u(x, 0) \right\|_+^2 \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

or in respect to the measures:

$$\mu(u) = \left\| \dot{u}(x, t) \right\|_0^2 + \left\| u(x, t) \right\|_+^2 \cdot \mu_0(u) = E(0) \quad (26)$$

**Proof.** We have

$$E(t) = E(0), \text{ for } t > 0. \quad (27)$$

Using relation (4), (11), we get

$$\rho_0 \cdot \left\| \dot{u}(x, t) \right\|_0^2 + \alpha \cdot \left\| u(x, t) \right\|_+^2 \leq 2E(t), \quad (28)$$

where  $\rho_0' = \min\{\rho_0, I\}$  and thus from (27), we have:

$$\left\| \dot{u}(x, t) \right\|_0^2 + \alpha \cdot \left\| u(x, t) \right\|_+^2 \leq \frac{2}{m} E(t), \quad (29)$$

where  $m = \min\{\rho_0', \alpha\}$ .

If we introduce the notation

$$\rho_0'' = \max\{\rho, E\}, \quad N = \text{ess sup}_{x \in \Omega} \sqrt{\text{tr}(P^T \cdot P)},$$

$$E = \text{ess sup}_{x \in \Omega} \sqrt{\text{tr}(R^T \cdot R)}$$

$$M = \max\{\rho_0'', N\}, \quad R_{ijkl} = \delta_{ijkl} I_{jl},$$

$$p = \begin{pmatrix} A_{9,9} & G_{9,9} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ G_{9,9} & C_{9,9} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{27,27} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & F_{9,27} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & F_{29,7} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & D_{9,27} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & F_{29,7} & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{117 \times 117},$$

$R, A, B, C, G, F, D$  is the matrix of components  $R_{ijkl}(x), A_{ijkl}(x), B_{ijkl}(x), C_{ijkml}(x), G_{ijkl}(x), F_{ijkmn}(x), D_{ijkmn}(x)$ .

We obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} 2E_0 = & \int_{\Omega} [\rho \cdot \dot{u}_i(x) \cdot \dot{u}_i(x) + R_{ijkl} \cdot \dot{\psi}_{ij}(x,0) \cdot \dot{\psi}_{kl}(x,0) + \\ & + a_{ijk} \cdot \varepsilon_{ij}(x,0) \cdot \varepsilon_{kl}(x,0) + b_{ijk} \cdot \gamma_{ij}(x,0) \cdot \gamma_{kl}(x,0) + \\ & + c_{ijkml} \cdot \chi_{ijk}(x,0) \cdot \chi_{lmn}(x,0) + 2g_{ijk} \cdot \gamma_{ij}(x,0) \cdot \\ & \cdot \varepsilon_{kl}(x,0) + 2f_{ijkmn} \cdot \chi_{ijk}(x,0) \cdot \varepsilon_{lmn}(x,0) + \\ & + 2d_{ijkmn} \cdot \gamma_{ij}(x,0) \cdot \chi_{klmn}(x,0)] d\Omega \leq \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \leq & \int_{\Omega} [\rho_0 \cdot ((\dot{u})_i^2(x,0) + (\dot{\psi})_{ij}^2(x,0) + N((\varepsilon)_{ij}^2(x,0) + \\ & + (\chi)_{ijk}^2(x,0))] d\Omega \leq M_1 \int_{\Omega} [(\dot{u})_i^2(x,0) + (\dot{\psi})_{ij}^2(x,0) \\ & + \varepsilon_{ij}^2(x,0) + \chi_{ijk}^2(x,0)] d\Omega \leq M_1 [\|\dot{u}(x,0)\|_0^2 + \\ & + \alpha \cdot \|u(x,t)\|_+^2], M_1 > 0. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Now, from (29) and (30), we obtain the main inequality:

$$\|\dot{u}(x,t)\|_0^2 + \|u(x,t)\|_+^2 \leq \frac{M_1}{m} [\|\dot{u}(x,0)\|_0^2 + \|u(x,0)\|_+^2] \quad (31)$$

This concludes the proof of the theorem.

**Corollary 2.2.** Using Friedrichs's inequality [2, pp.41]

$$\int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^{12} u_i^2 d\Omega \leq C_1 \left\{ \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i,k=1}^{12} u_{i,k}^2 d\Omega + \int_{\partial\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^{12} u^2 d\sigma \right\}, \quad C_1 > 0, \quad (32)$$

we have:

$$\|u(x,t)\|_0^2 \leq C_1 \|u(x,t)\|_+^2, \quad \text{if } \partial\Omega_t = \partial\Omega_T = \emptyset \quad (33)$$

From (31) and (33), we have

$$\|\dot{u}(x,t)\|_0^2 + \|u(x,t)\|_+^2 \leq \frac{M_1}{m \cdot m_1} [\|\dot{u}(x,0)\|_0^2 + \|u(x,0)\|_+^2] \quad (34)$$

with  $m_1 = \min \{1, c_1\}$ . That is, the equilibrium solution is stable with respect to the measures

$$\mu(u) = \|\dot{u}(x,t)\|_0^2 + \|u(x,t)\|_+^2, \mu_0(u) = E(0) \quad (35)$$

or in respect to the measures

$$\mu(u) = \|\dot{u}(x,t)\|_0^2 + \|u(x,t)\|_+^2, \quad (36)$$

$$\mu_0(u) = \|\dot{u}(x,0)\|_0^2 + \|u(x,0)\|_+^2.$$

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