

Introduction.- When a continuum body has a tendency in fundamental deformations, we usually deal with its mechanics, mathematically, within a frame of the displacement patterns. So far, there are many well-known governing equations obtained through that procedure: various beam and plate(or shell) theories and others. However, in the past, we find no intention to disclose a common feature of such formulations-----this paper intends to do it within small displacements.

Kinematic Field.- Let  $\{\xi^1, \xi^2, \xi^3\}$  be a set of curvilinear coordinates in a continuum body, where small displacements are decomposed into  $\{\xi^i\}$ -directions. When variables of two sets,  $\{s^1, \dots, s^4\}$  and  $\{s^1, \dots, s^2\}$ , are in a known one-to-one correspondence to  $\{\xi^i\}$  ( $1+2=3$ ), we can regard the set  $\{(s^1), (s^2)\}$  as another Lagrangean coordinates: we put  $\{\xi^i\} = \{(s^1), (s^2)\}$  without violating any generality. Now, we consider a kinematic field of the body in which the displacements  $\{u^i\}$  are dependent on a finite number of unknown functions  $\{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_N\}$  of only  $\{s^1\}$  in the form:

$$\{u^i(\xi^j)\} = [\Phi^{im}(s^1, s^2)][D^u_m(s^1)]\{\gamma_n(s^1)\} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

where  $[\Phi^{im}]$  is matrix of known functions of both  $\{s^1\}$  and  $\{s^2\}$ ; and  $[D^u_m]$  is matrix of differential operators on  $\{s^1\}$ -field. Let the domains of  $\{\xi^i\}$  and  $\{s^1\}$  in the body be denoted by  $V$  and  $L$ , respectively, and the domain of  $\{s^2\}$  at each  $\{s^1\}$  be  $C(s^1)$  and called a cross-section of the kinematic field.

In any case where displacements are represented in a linear form of (1), we can rearrange it into another linear form such that the column vectors of  $[\Phi^{im}]$  are independent as functions of  $\{s^2\}$  with each fixed  $\{s^1\}$ , and that the row vectors of  $[D^u_m]$  are also independent as differential operators. Thus, we consider Eq.(1) itself so arranged. With the above preliminaries, we now call the quantities defined by

$$\{v_m(s^1)\} = [D^u_m(s^1)]\{\gamma_n(s^1)\} \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

a set of displacement parameters, which determine  $\{u^i\}$  of all the material points on each  $C(s^1)$  completely. That is, in kinematic field (1), the displacements on  $C(s^1)$  are in a one-to-one to  $\{v_m\}$ . Let the highest order of the differentials in  $[D^u_m]$  be  $P$ . It is to be noted that while  $\{v_m\}$  can take any values at a cross-section, they can not, in general, over the entire field  $L$  ----indeed, they are restrained derivable through (2) from any differentiable  $\{\gamma_n\}$ .

Strain Distribution.- To displacements  $\{u^i\}$ , the linear strain components are related as

$$e_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \{g_{i\alpha} u^{\alpha}_{,j} + g_{j\alpha} u^{\alpha}_{,i} + (\Gamma_{ij}^{\alpha} + \Gamma_{ji}^{\alpha}) u^{\alpha}\} \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

where subscript  $i$  after comma denotes the differentiation with respect to  $\xi^i$ ; and  $g_{ij}$  and  $\Gamma_{ij}^{\alpha}$  are metric tensor components and Christoffel symbols, respectively. By substituting (1) and (2) into (3), we obtain

$$e_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (f_{ijm} + h_{im} \partial_j + h_{jm} \partial_i) v_m \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } f_{ijm} (= f_{jim}) &= g_{i\alpha} \Phi^{\alpha}_{,j} + g_{j\alpha} \Phi^{\alpha}_{,i} + (\Gamma_{ji}^{\alpha} + \Gamma_{ij}^{\alpha}) \Phi^{\alpha}_m \\ h_{im} &= g_{i\alpha} \Phi^{\alpha}_m \end{aligned} \dots\dots\dots(5.a,b)$$

and  $\partial_i = \cdot_i$  ( $\partial_{\alpha} v_m = 0$ , since  $v_m$  are functions of only  $\{s^1\}$ ). By introducing (2), Eqs.(4) are transformed into the following matrix form:

$$\{e_{ij}\} = [\Psi_{ij}^{\alpha}(s^1, s^2)][D^e_{\alpha}(s^1)]\{\gamma_n(s^1)\} \dots\dots\dots(6)$$

where  $[\Psi_{ij}^{\alpha}]$  is matrix of known functions of  $\{s^1\}$  and  $\{s^2\}$ ; and  $[D^e_{\alpha}]$  is matrix of differential operators on  $\{s^1\}$ -field. Again, we can arrange their elements such that the column vectors of  $[\Psi_{ij}^{\alpha}]$  and the row vectors of  $[D^e_{\alpha}]$  are independent, respectively. And, based on that, on each cross-section, strain distributions are uniquely determined by the quantities:

$$\{e_{\alpha}(s^1)\} = [D^e_{\alpha}(s^1)]\{\gamma_n(s^1)\} \dots\dots\dots(7)$$

we call the  $\{\epsilon_{\alpha}\}$  a set of strain parameters in kinematic field (1), and Eq.(7), a generalized strain-displacement relation. By the same reason to  $\{u_m\}$  in (2),  $\{\epsilon_{\alpha}\}$  can take any values at a point of  $\{\zeta^{\alpha}\}$ , but they can not, over the  $\{\zeta^{\alpha}\}$ -field.

From relations (4), we can see that the differentials in  $[D^{\epsilon}_{\alpha}]$  are, at most, once higher than those in  $[D^u_m]$ . Then, operator matrix  $[D^{\epsilon}_{\alpha}]$  may be represented as

$$[D^{\epsilon}_{\alpha}] = [D^{\Delta}_{\alpha}] [D^u_m] \quad \dots\dots\dots(8)$$

where  $[D^{\Delta}_{\alpha}]$  is matrix of differential operators of first order, with the rows being independent.

Mechanical Relations from Virtual-Work Principle.- Let the boundaries of  $L$  in  $R^2$  be  $B$ . We denotes the body forces, per unit region of  $\{\xi^i\}$  and decomposed into  $\{\xi^i\}$ -directions, by  $\{\bar{p}_i(\xi^i)\}$ ; and the surface forces acting on the cross-sections at  $B$ , per unit region of  $\{\zeta^{\alpha}\}$ , by  $\{\bar{q}_i(\zeta^{\alpha})\}$ . With  $\sigma_{ij}$  being the stress components associated to  $e_{ij}$ , the equation of virtual work is written down as

$$\delta W = \int_V [\sigma_{ij} \delta e_{ij} - \bar{p}_i \delta u^i] dV - \int_{B_1} \int_C \bar{q}_i \delta u^i dC dB = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots(9)$$

where  $B_1$  is the subregion of  $B$  subject to mechanical conditions. Into Eq.(9) substituting (1),(2),(6) and (7), we define stress resultants,  $\{M^{\alpha}(\zeta^{\alpha})\}$ , and body- and surface-force resultants,  $\{\bar{P}^m(\zeta^{\alpha})\}$  and  $\{\bar{Q}^m(\zeta^{\alpha})\}$ , as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \{M^{\alpha}(\zeta^{\alpha})\} &= \int_C [\psi_{\alpha i}]^T \{\sigma_{ij}\} dC \\ \{\bar{P}^m(\zeta^{\alpha})\} &= \int_C [\Phi^m] \{\bar{p}_i\} dC, \quad \{\bar{Q}^m(\zeta^{\alpha})\} = \int_C [\Phi^m] \{\bar{q}_i\} dC \quad \dots\dots\dots(10.a-c) \end{aligned}$$

and make the equation of virtual work transformed into

$$\delta W = \int_L [\{M^{\alpha}\}^T [D^{\epsilon}_{\alpha}] \delta \{\psi_n\} - \{\bar{P}^m\}^T [D^u_m] \delta \{\psi_n\}] dL - \int_{B_1} \{\bar{Q}^m\}^T [D^u_m] \delta \{\psi_n\} dB = 0$$

By substituting (8) and using an integration by parts on the first term of the integrand in  $L$ ,

$$\delta W = \int_L ([D_{\Delta}^{\alpha}] \{M^{\alpha}\} - \{\bar{P}^m\})^T [D^u_m] \delta \{\psi_n\} dL + \int_B ([F_{\Delta}^{\alpha}] \{M^{\alpha}\} - \{\bar{Q}^m\})^T \delta \{u_m\} dB = 0$$

where  $[D_{\Delta}^{\alpha}]$  is matrix of differential operators of first order; and  $[F_{\Delta}^{\alpha}]$  is matrix of functions of  $\{\zeta^{\alpha}\}$ . Further, by repeating integrations by parts concerning  $[D^u_m]$ , as a result of mathematical expansions, we finally attain the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta W &= \int_L ([D^u_m] ([D_{\Delta}^{\alpha}] \{M^{\alpha}\} - \{\bar{P}^m\}))^T \delta \{\psi_n\} dL \\ &+ \int_B ([D^u_m] \{M^{\alpha}\} - [D^u_m] \{\bar{P}^m\} - \{\bar{Q}^m\})^T \delta \{u_m\} \\ &+ ([D^u_m] ([D_{\Delta}^{\alpha}] \{M^{\alpha}\} - \{\bar{P}^m\}))^T \delta \{(\partial \psi)_i\} dB = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots(11) \end{aligned}$$

where  $[D^u_m]$ ,  $[D_{\Delta}^{\alpha}]$ ,  $[D^u_m]$  and  $[D^u_m]$  are matrices of differential operators, with the highest orders of the differentials being  $\Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma-1$ ,  $\Gamma-1$  and less than  $\Gamma-1$ , respectively; and  $\{(\partial \psi)_i\}$  are a set of all the lower derivatives of  $\{\psi_n\}$  independent to  $\{u_m\}$ .  $\delta \{\psi_n\}$  and  $\delta \{u_m\}$  are arbitrary in  $L$  and  $B_1$ , respectively. Since the displacements of a cross-section are entirely determined by parameters  $\{u_m\}$  (the geometrical boundary conditions take the form:  $u_m = \bar{u}_m$  on  $B-B_1$ ), the derivatives  $\{(\partial \psi)_i\}$  are free on any part of  $B$ . Thus, we obtain

$$\text{Equilibrium Equations: } [D^u_m] ([D_{\Delta}^{\alpha}] \{M^{\alpha}\} - \{\bar{P}^m\}) = \{0\} \text{ in } L \quad \dots\dots(12)$$

Mechanical Boundary Conditions:

$$[D^u_m] \{M^{\alpha}\} - [D^u_m] \{\bar{P}^m\} - \{\bar{Q}^m\} = \{0\} \text{ on } B_1 \quad \dots\dots\dots(13)$$

(and if exist such derivatives  $(\partial \psi)_i$ )

$$[D^u_m] ([D_{\Delta}^{\alpha}] \{M^{\alpha}\} - \{\bar{P}^m\}) = \{0\} \text{ on entire } B \quad \dots\dots\dots(14)$$

Constitutive Relations.- Provided that the original constitutive equations take the form:  $\sigma_{ij} = E^{ijkl} e_{kl}$  ( $E^{ijkl}$ : elastic moduli), by the use of (6), those are generalized to

$$\{M^{\alpha}(\zeta^{\alpha})\} = [C^{\alpha\beta}(\zeta^{\alpha})] \{\epsilon_{\beta}\} \quad \dots\dots\dots(15)$$

$$[C^{\alpha\beta}(\zeta^{\alpha})] = \int_C [\psi_{\alpha i}]^T [E^{ijkl}] [\psi_{\beta mn}] dC \quad \dots\dots\dots(16)$$