

Appendix

A The equivalent equation of the functional stationary condition (2-45)

In order to derive the equivalent equation of the stationary condition (2-45), the integration by parts formula (2-53) is used firstly to develop the expression of the functional variation δI_3 .

The area integration terms in δI_3 are

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_{\Omega_a+\Omega_b} \{ [D(\kappa_x + \mu\kappa_y) - M_x] \delta\kappa_x + [D(\kappa_y + \mu\kappa_x) - M_y] \delta\kappa_y \\ & + 2[D(1-\mu)\kappa_{xy} - M_{xy}] \delta\kappa_{xy} \} dx dy \\ & - \iint_{\Omega_a+\Omega_b} \left[\left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \kappa_x \right) \delta M_x + \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \kappa_y \right) \delta M_y + 2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y} + \kappa_{xy} \right) \delta M_{xy} \right] dx dy \\ & - \iint_{\Omega_a+\Omega_b} \left[\left(\frac{\partial^2 M_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 M_y}{\partial y^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 M_{xy}}{\partial x \partial y} \right) + q \right] \delta w dx dy \end{aligned}$$

The line integration terms in δI_3 are

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{C_{3a}+C_{3b}} \left(Q_n + \frac{\partial M_{ns}}{\partial s} - \bar{V}_n \right) \delta w ds - \int_{C_{1a}+C_{2a}+C_{1b}+C_{2b}} (w - \bar{w}) \delta \left(Q_n + \frac{\partial M_{ns}}{\partial s} \right) ds \\ & - \int_{C_{2a}+C_{3a}+C_{2b}+C_{3b}} (M_n - \bar{M}_n) \frac{\partial \delta w}{\partial n} ds + \int_{C_{1a}+C_{1b}} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial n} - \bar{\psi}_n \right) \delta M_n ds \\ & + \int_{C_{ab}} \left\{ (M_n^{(b)} - M_n^{(a)}) \left(\frac{\partial \delta w}{\partial n} \right)^{(a)} + \left[\left(Q_n + \frac{\partial M_{ns}}{\partial s} \right)^{(b)} + \left(Q_n + \frac{\partial M_{ns}}{\partial s} \right)^{(a)} \right] \delta w^{(a)} \right. \\ & \left. + \left[\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial n} \right)^{(b)} + \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial n} \right)^{(a)} \right] \delta M_n^{(b)} - (w^{(b)} - w^{(a)}) \delta \left(Q_n + \frac{\partial M_{ns}}{\partial s} \right)^{(b)} \right\} ds \end{aligned}$$

The corner point and the node terms in δI_3 are

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \sum_{A_{1a}+A_{1b}} (w - \bar{w}) \Delta \delta M_{ns} + \sum_{A_{2a}+A_{2b}} (\Delta M_{ns} - \bar{R}) \delta w \\
 & - \sum_{J_1} [(w^{(b)} - \bar{w})(\Delta \delta M_{ns})^{(b)} + (w^{(a)} - \bar{w})(\Delta \delta M_{ns})^{(a)}] \\
 & + \sum_{J_2} \{[(\Delta M_{ns})^{(a)} + (\Delta M_{ns})^{(b)} - \bar{R}] \delta w^{(a)} - (w^{(b)} - w^{(a)})(\Delta \delta M_{ns})^{(b)}\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the variation of the field variables can be arbitrarily and independently performed, based on the stationary condition (2-45) it can be known that the area integration terms, the line integration terms, the corner point and the node terms in δII_3 should be zero, respectively. From the zero condition of the area integration terms in δII_3 , the field Eq. (2-46) within Ω_a and Ω_b can be derived. From the zero condition of the line integration terms in δII_3 , the boundary condition (2-47) on the boundary lines C_a and C_b and the interface condition (2-48) on the interface C_{ab} can be derived. From the zero conditions of the corner point and the node terms in δII_3 , the corner point condition (2-49) on the boundary line and the node condition (2-50) on the interface can be derived.

B The node conditions derived from the stationary condition (2-77)

Two different node types, J_1 and J_2 , are considered here, respectively. Then, the related node conditions can be derived from the stationary condition (2-77) $\delta II = 0$.

Firstly, consider the node J_1 with supports; the node terms in δII related to the node J_1 are composed of the following three terms.

(1) In the potential energy variation $\sum_{e_p} \delta II_p^{(e_p)}$ of all the potential energy elements e_p around the node, the corresponding node term is $\sum_{e_p} (\Delta M_{ns})^{(e_p)} \delta w^{(e_p)}$.

(2) In the complementary energy variation $-\sum_{e_c} \delta II_c^{(e_c)}$ of all the complementary energy elements e_c around the node, the corresponding node term is $-\sum_{e_c} w^{(e_c)} (\Delta \delta M_{ns})^{(e_c)}$.

(3) In δG_1 , the corresponding node terms are

$$- \sum_{e_p} [(w^{(e_p)} - \bar{w})(\Delta \delta M_{ns})^{(e_p)} + (\Delta M_{ns})^{(e_p)} \delta w^{(e_p)}] + \sum_{e_c} \bar{w} (\Delta \delta M_{ns})^{(e_c)}$$

By superposition, the node terms related to the node J_1 in δII can be obtained

$$-\sum_e (w^{(e)} - \bar{w})(\Delta\delta M_{ns})^{(e)} \quad (\text{Sum of all elements } e \text{ around the node } J_1)$$

Thereby, from the stationary condition $\delta II = 0$, the interface condition at the node J_1 can be obtained as:

$$w^{(e)} = \bar{w} \quad (e \text{ denotes each element around the node } J_1)$$

Secondly, consider the node J_2 without supports. In δII , the node terms related to the node J_2 are composed of the following three terms.

(1) In the potential variation $\sum_{e_p} \delta II_p^{(e_p)}$ of all the potential energy elements e_p around the node, the corresponding node term is $\sum_{e_p} (\Delta M_{ns})^{(e_p)} \delta w^{(e_p)}$.

(2) In the complementary variation $-\sum_{e_c} \delta II_c^{(e_c)}$ of all the complementary energy elements e_c around the node, the corresponding node term is $-\sum_{e_c} w^{(e_c)} (\Delta\delta M_{ns})^{(e_c)}$.

(3) In δG_2 , the corresponding node terms are

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\sum_e (\Delta M_{ns})^{(e)} - \bar{R} \right] \delta w^{(a)} + w^{(a)} \sum_e (\Delta\delta M_{ns})^{(e)} \\ & - \sum_{e_p} [w^{(e_p)} (\Delta\delta M_{ns})^{(e_p)} + (\Delta M_{ns})^{(e_p)} \delta w^{(e_p)}] \end{aligned}$$

By superposition, the node terms related to the node J_2 in δII can be obtained

$$\left[\left(\sum_e \Delta M_{ns}^{(e)} - \bar{R} \right) \right] \delta w^{(a)} - \sum_e (w^{(e)} - w^{(a)}) (\Delta\delta M_{ns})^{(e)}$$

Thereby, from the stationary condition $\delta II = 0$, the interface condition at the node J_2 can be obtained as:

$$\sum_e \Delta M_{ns}^{(e)} - \bar{R} = 0 \quad (\text{for the node } J_2)$$

$$w^{(e)} = w^{(a)} \quad (\text{for each element } e \text{ around the node } J_2, e \neq a)$$

C l_{1j} and γ_{1j} in Eq. (13-137)

$$l_{1j} = \frac{c_1 a_{22} - c_2 a_{12}}{a_{11} a_{22} - a_{12} a_{21}}, \quad \gamma_{1j} = \frac{c_2 a_{11} - c_1 a_{21}}{a_{11} a_{22} - a_{12} a_{21}}$$

in which

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{11} &= \left[-(\lambda_j + 2) + \frac{\lambda_j \mu + 1}{1 - \mu} \right] \cos(\lambda_j + 2) \frac{\alpha}{2} \\
 a_{12} &= \left[-K_{1j} \lambda_j + \frac{\lambda_j \mu + 1}{1 - \mu} \right] \cos \frac{\lambda_j \alpha}{2} \\
 a_{21} &= 2(\lambda_j + 1) \\
 a_{22} &= \lambda_j (1 + K_{1j}) \\
 c_1 &= \left[\frac{\lambda_j \mu + 1}{1 - \mu} \frac{X + G}{(X + G)(\lambda_j + 2) + 2G} - \frac{\mu}{1 - \mu} \right] \cos \frac{\lambda_j \alpha}{2} \\
 c_2 &= \frac{(X + G) \lambda_j}{(X + G)(\lambda_j + 2) + 2G} \sin \frac{\lambda_j \alpha}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

D s_{1j} and t_{1j} in Eq. (13-144)

$$s_{1j} = \frac{d_1 e_{22} - d_2 e_{12}}{e_{11} e_{22} - e_{12} e_{21}}, \quad t_{1j} = \frac{d_2 e_{11} - d_1 e_{21}}{e_{11} e_{22} - e_{12} e_{21}}$$

in which

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_{11} &= \left[-(\lambda_j + 2) + \frac{\lambda_j \mu + 1}{1 - \mu} \right] \sin \frac{1}{2} (\lambda_j + 2) \alpha \\
 e_{12} &= \left[K_{1j} \lambda_j + \frac{\lambda_j \mu + 1}{1 - \mu} \right] \sin \frac{\lambda_j \alpha}{2} \\
 e_{21} &= 2(\lambda_j + 1) \\
 e_{22} &= \lambda_j (1 + K_{1j}) \\
 d_1 &= \left[\frac{\lambda_j \mu + 1}{1 - \mu} \frac{X + G}{(X + G)(\lambda_j + 2) + 2G} - \frac{\mu}{1 - \mu} \right] \sin \frac{\lambda_j \alpha}{2} \\
 d_2 &= \frac{(X + G) \lambda_j}{(X + G)(\lambda_j + 2) + 2G} \sin \frac{\lambda_j \alpha}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$