

Helmholtz Theorem (Helmholtz Decomposition)

for vector field $\vec{F}(r, t)$

$$\text{if } \nabla \cdot \vec{F}(r, t) = \vec{D}(r, t)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F}(r, t) = \vec{C}(r, t) \rightarrow \text{are given} \quad (\because \text{must } \nabla \cdot \vec{C} = 0) \quad (\forall t > 0)$$

then,

$$\text{When } \vec{F}(r, t) \xrightarrow{|r| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|r|^{\Delta}} \rightarrow 0 \quad (\Delta > 0) \quad [\text{boundary condition}]$$

$$\text{haven } \vec{F}(r, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla \int_{\text{all space}} d^3 r' \frac{D(r')}{|r - r'|} + \frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla \times \int_{\text{all}} d^3 r' \frac{\vec{C}(r')}{|r - r'|}$$

(uniqueness Thm)

$$\text{Pf for } \vec{F}(r), \text{ build } \vec{W}(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{all}} d^3 r' \frac{\vec{F}(r')}{|r - r'|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 \vec{W}(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla^2 \int_{\text{all}} d^3 r' \frac{\vec{F}(r')}{|r - r'|} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{all}} d^3 r' \nabla^2 \left(\frac{\vec{F}(r')}{|r - r'|} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \vec{F}(r') = \int d^3 r' \cdot 4\pi \delta(r - r') \frac{1}{4\pi} \vec{F}(r')$$

$$= -\vec{F}(r)$$

$$\therefore \vec{F}(r) = -\nabla^2 W(r) = -(\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{W}) - \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{W})) = \nabla \times \boxed{\nabla \times \vec{W}} - \nabla \boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{W}}$$

$$\therefore \text{must } \vec{F} = \nabla \times \vec{A} + \nabla T \quad \begin{cases} \vec{A} = \nabla \times \vec{W} \\ T = -\nabla \cdot \vec{W} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore T = -\nabla \cdot \vec{W} = \frac{-1}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{F}(r')}{|r - r'|} \right) = \frac{-1}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \vec{F}(r') \cdot \left(\nabla \frac{1}{|r - r'|} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \vec{F}(r') \cdot (-1) \cdot \nabla' \frac{1}{|r - r'|} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \left(\vec{V}' \cdot \frac{\vec{F}(r')}{|r - r'|} - \frac{1}{|r - r'|} \nabla' \cdot \vec{F}(r') \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{all}} d^3 r' \frac{\vec{F}(r')}{|r - r'|} - \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{all}} d^3 r' \frac{\nabla' \cdot \vec{F}(r')}{|r - r'|}$$

$$\vec{A} = \nabla \times \vec{W} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{all}} d^3 r' \nabla \times \left(\frac{\vec{F}(r')}{|r - r'|} \right) = \dots = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \frac{\nabla' \times \vec{F}(r')}{|r - r'|}$$

Application

(1)

We can look at Maxwell eq. to show this Theorem.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} = \vec{0} \end{array} \right. \quad (\text{electrostatics}) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{j} \end{array} \right. \quad (\text{magnetostatics})$$

Given Given

(2) 3D wave eq.

$$\rho \ddot{\vec{u}} = \rho \vec{f} + \mu \vec{\nabla}^2 \vec{u} + (\lambda + \mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{u}) \quad - (i)$$

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source vector

λ, μ : Lamé moduli
(constants)
(the parameters of describing
isotropy flexible solid.)

$$\vec{f}(r, t) = \vec{a} \cdot g(t) \delta(r) = C_L^2 \nabla F + C_T^2 \nabla \times \vec{G}$$

$$C_L^2 \nabla F = -\nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{a}}{4\pi r} \right)$$

build:

$$\vec{W}(\vec{r}) = \frac{-1}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' \frac{\vec{a} g(t) \delta(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} = \frac{-\vec{a} g(t)}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}' \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} = \frac{-1}{4\pi} \vec{a} g(t) \frac{1}{r}$$

$$\vec{f} = C_L^2 \nabla F + C_T^2 \nabla \times \vec{G}$$

$$C_L^2 F = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{-1}{4\pi r} \vec{a} g(t) \right)$$

$$C_T^2 G = -\nabla \times \left(\frac{-1}{4\pi r} \vec{a} g(t) \right)$$

$$(i) \rightarrow \mu \vec{\nabla}^2 \vec{u} + (\lambda + \mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{u}) + \rho (C_L^2 \nabla F + C_T^2 \nabla \times \vec{G}) = \rho \ddot{\vec{u}}$$

$$\vec{u} = \nabla \psi + \nabla \times \vec{\psi}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu \vec{\nabla}^2 (\nabla \psi + \nabla \times \vec{\psi}) + (\lambda + \mu) \nabla \nabla \cdot (\nabla \psi + \nabla \times \vec{\psi}) + \rho (C_L^2 \nabla F + C_T^2 \nabla \times \vec{G}) = \rho (\nabla \ddot{\psi} + \nabla \times \vec{\ddot{\psi}})$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla \left(\vec{\nabla}^2 \psi (\lambda + 2\mu) + \rho C_L^2 F \right) + \nabla \times (\mu \vec{\nabla}^2 \vec{\psi} + \rho C_T^2 \vec{G}) = \rho \nabla \ddot{\psi} + \rho \nabla \times \vec{\ddot{\psi}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} (\lambda + 2\mu) \nabla^2 \psi + \rho c_L^2 F = \rho \nabla \ddot{\psi} \\ M \nabla^2 \vec{\psi} + \rho c_T^2 \vec{G} = \rho \nabla \times \ddot{\vec{\psi}} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \nabla^2 \psi + \frac{\rho}{\lambda + 2\mu} c_L^2 F = \frac{\rho}{\lambda + 2\mu} \nabla \ddot{\psi} \\ \nabla^2 \vec{\psi} + \frac{\rho}{\mu} c_T^2 \vec{G} = \frac{\rho}{\mu} \nabla \times \ddot{\vec{\psi}} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \nabla^2 \psi + F = \frac{1}{c_L^2} \ddot{\psi} \\ \nabla^2 \vec{\psi} + \vec{G} = \frac{1}{c_T^2} \ddot{\vec{\psi}} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \nabla^2 \psi + \frac{-1}{c_L^2} \nabla \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi r} \vec{Q} g(t) = \frac{1}{c_L^2} \ddot{\psi} \\ \nabla^2 \vec{\psi} + \frac{1}{c_T^2} \nabla \times \frac{1}{4\pi r} \vec{Q} g(t) = \frac{1}{c_T^2} \ddot{\vec{\psi}} \end{cases} \quad) \text{ decouple } (\checkmark)$$