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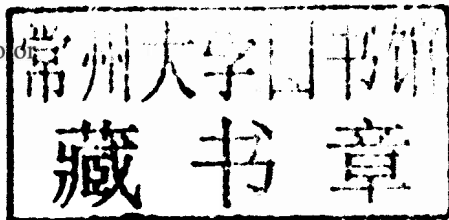
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*Remission and disappointment without any achievements accompanies my life.*

# Preface

Deformable-body dynamics is a subject to investigate the states of strains and internal relative motions in deformable solids subject to the action of external forces. This is an old and interesting topic, and many problems still are unsolved or solved incompletely. Rethinking such problems in this topic may bring new vital to the modern science and technology. The first consideration of the nature of the resistance of deformable-bodies to rupture was given by Galileo in 1638. The theory of deformable-bodies, started from Galileo's problem, is based on the discovery of Hooke's Law in 1660 and the general differential equations of elasticity by Navier in 1821. The Hooke's law is an experimental discovery about the stress and strain relation. This law provides the basis to develop the mathematical theory of deformable bodies. In 1821, Navier was the first to investigate the general equations of equilibrium and vibration of elastic solids. In 1850, Kirchhoff proposed two assumptions: (i) that linear filaments of the plate initially normal to the middle-surface remain straight and normal to the middle-surface after deformed, and (ii) that all fibers in middle surface remain unstretched. Based on the Kirchhoff assumptions, the approximate theories for beams, rods, plates and shells have been developed for recent 150 years. From the theory of 3-dimensional deformable body, with certain assumptions, this book will present a mathematical treatise of such approximate theories for thin deformable-bodies including cables, beams, rods, webs, membranes, plates and shells. The nonlinear theory for deformable body based on the Kirchhoff assumptions is a special case to be discussed. This book consists of eight chapters. Chapter 1 discusses the history of the deformable body dynamics. Chapter 2 presents the mathematical tool for the deformation and kinematics of deformable-bodies. Chapter 3 addresses the deformation geometry, kinematics and dynamics of deformable body. Chapter 4 discusses constitutive laws and damage theory for deformable-bodies. In Chapter 5, nonlinear dynamics of cables is addressed. Chapter 6 discusses nonlinear plates and waves, and the nonlinear theories for webs, membranes and shells are presented in Chapter 7. Finally, Chapter 8 presents the nonlinear theory for thin beams and rods.

The purpose to write this book is to answer a question from Professor Huancun Sun (my thesis advisor) during my master thesis defense in 1990. In my master thesis, I considered the higher order terms to correct the strains in the von Karman plate theory. However, such a correction did not consider curvature effects on the

balance equations. Professor Sun asked me what is the error compared to the exact theory of the 3-dimensional deformable bodies. After about 20 years, I believe that I can give an appropriate answer to his question. In fact, after my thesis defense, I almost place such a question away. However, in 1996, I worked with Professor C.D. Mote, Jr. at UC Berkeley on nonlinear dynamical behaviors of high speed rotating disks in disk drives. Such a problem drove me to rethink about the accurate plate theory. To express my indebtedness to both of them for their guidance and advice, this book is my presence for the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of Professor Sun and the 70<sup>th</sup> birthday of Professor Mote, Jr.. This book is also dedicated to my friend and colleague, Professor Zhongheng Guo. His book on *Nonlinear Elasticity* stimulated my research interest in nonlinear deformable solids 25 years ago. His book was an excellent book for graduate students. Some inspirations of this book originated from the book of *Nonlinear Elasticity*. In addition, I would like to thank Professor Youjin Che for lending his books “*Tensor Analysis*” and “*Variational Principles*” to me during my sophomore year in 1981. After almost 30 years, I cannot find both of books to return to him. I sincerely hope this book can bring my apology and appreciation to him.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

To investigate deformable-body dynamics, it is very important to learn a development history of the mathematical theory of deformable solids. From such a development history, one can find how the deformable-body dynamics to stimulate the development of modern physical science, which will give people a kind of indication for new discoveries. In this chapter, a brief history for establishing the approximate theories of deformable solids will be given. Especially, the cable dynamics will be discussed first, and a mathematical treatise of nonlinear beams and rods will be presented. In addition, the past and current status of plates and shell theory will be discussed, and the current status of soft web theory and applications will be presented. Finally, the book layout will be presented, and a brief summarization for each chapter will be given.

### 1.1. Deformable-body dynamics

Deformable-body dynamics is a subject to investigate the states of strain and internal relative motions in deformable solids subject to the action of the external forces. The first consideration of the nature of the resistance of solids to rupture was given by Galileo (1638). He treated the deformable body as inelastic without any laws and hypotheses between the displacement and forces. Galileo studied the resistance of a beam clamped at one end into the wall under its own weight or applied weight. He concluded that the beam rotates about the axis perpendicular to its length and in the plane of the wall. The determination of this axis is known as the Galileo's problem. The theory of deformable-bodies started from the Galileo's problem is based on the discovery of Hooke's Law in 1660 and the general differential equations of elasticity by Navier in 1821. The Hooke's law (Hooke, 1678) is an experimental discovery about the stress and strain relation. This law provides the basis to develop the mathematical theory of deformable-bodies. In 1821, Navier was the first to investigate the general equations of equilibrium and vibration

of elastic solids, as presented in Love (1944). Although equilibrium and vibrations of plates and shells were treated before the general theory of elasticity was developed, one was interested in reduction of the general theory of elasticity to the theory of plates and shells by the power series of the distance from the middle surface. The problem is that the resultant forces and moments at the edge must be equal to the internal forces and moments generated by the strain. However, too many unknowns cannot be solved. Kirchhoff (1850a,b) proposed two assumptions: (i) that linear filaments of the plate initially normal to the middle-surface remain straight and normal to the middle-surface after deformed, and (ii) that all fibers in middle surface remain unstretched. Independent of the general equation of elasticity, the theory of the bending and twisting of thin rods and wires was developed by methods akin to those employed by Euler. One thought how to connect the general theory of elasticity to the theory of thin rods. Kirchhoff (1859) pointed out that the general equations of elasticity are strictly applicable to any small portion of a thin rod if all the linear dimensions of the portion are of the same order of magnitude as the diameters of the cross section. The equation of motion for such a portion of the rod could be simplified from the first approximation of deformation and kinematics. Based on the Kirchhoff assumptions, the approximate theories for beams, rods, plates and shells have been developed for recent 150 years. From 3-dimensional deformable body theory, with certain assumptions, this book will present a mathematic frame to develop such approximate theories for thin deformable-bodies including cables, beams, rods, webs, membranes, plates and shells. The theory for deformable body based on the Kirchhoff assumptions is a special case to be discussed. In this chapter, the development history for the theory of nonlinear cable dynamics will be discussed first.

### ***1.1.1. Cable dynamics***

Cables are used as one of the simplest structures for human being at least thousands of years. The cable configuration attracted scientists to investigate since it was used for the suspension bridge in the early human-being history. Based on the historical record, the sophisticated suspension bridges in China appeared before the start of the Christian era. The iron chain suspension bridge was built in Yunnan, China in A.D. 65 in Needham (1954). In 1586, Stevin established the triangle forces experimentally with loaded string to understand the catenary and the collapse mechanism in a voussior arch, as reported in Hopkins (1970). From Truesdell (1960), Beeckman, in 1615, for the first time solved the suspension bridge problem that the configuration of hanged cables with the in-plane, uniformly distributed loading is a parabolic arc. Galileo mused on the shape of a hanging chain and concluded that it is parabolic primarily by analogy to the flight of a projectile, which was published in *Discourse on Two New Sciences* in 1638. However, it was proved that this view was incorrect as Bernoullis (James and John), Leibnitz and Huygens jointly discovered the catenary in Truesdell (1960). To solve the cate-

nary, Huygens relied on the geometrical principle, and Leibnitz and Bernoullis used the calculus and Hooke's law to develop the general differential equations of equilibrium of a chain element under various loading. In addition, Bernoullis provided the basic fundamental of the calculus of variations to keep the center of gravity of the chain as low as possible. Furthermore, the principle of virtual work was developed. In the early 18<sup>th</sup> century, the vibration of taut string was extensively investigated to get the nature of the solution of partial differential equations. In 1738, Daniel Bernoulli (son of John Bernoulli) published a solution for natural frequencies of a chain that hangs from one end, and the solution was in the form of an infinite series (Watson, 1966). In 1764, Euler obtained the equation of motion for the vibrating taut membrane and obtained the infinite series solution through the variable separation. The partial solution was given by Poisson in 1829 and Clebsch in 1862. In addition, Lagrange in 1760 used the discretized string of beads model of the taut string as an illustration of the application of his equations of motion in Whittacker (1970). This work was done for the first time on the solution of vibration problems by the difference equations.

The equilibrium configuration, tension and displacement of elastic cables under arbitrary loading are needed in the design of cable structures. Rohrs (1851) first modeled the vibration of a uniform, inextensible suspended chain hanging freely under its own weight and obtained the approximate natural frequencies and responses of the cable. Routh (1884) considered the symmetric transverse vibration of a heterogeneous chain hanging in the form of a cycloid, and application of this chain model to the uniform chain yielded the Rohrs' model when the sag ratio is small. The chain was still modeled as inextensible. Pugsley (1949) developed a semi-empirical theory for the in-plane natural frequencies of the first three modes of a uniform, inextensible suspended chain. Saxon and Cahn (1953) developed an asymptotic method for the natural frequencies of the chain for large sag to span ratios. Simpson (1966) investigated the in-plane vibration of a stretched cable through its equilibrium and also determined the natural frequencies of multispan, sagged transmission lines using the transfer matrix method. Irvine and Caughey (1974) used a similar approach to investigate the free vibrations of a sagged, stretched cable hanging under its own weight. Hagedorn and Schafer (1980) showed that geometrical nonlinearity is significant in the computation of natural frequencies of in-plane vibration of an elastic cable. Luongo et al. (1984) analyzed the planar, non-linear, free vibrations of sagged cables through a perturbation method. Perkins (1992) considered the nonlinear vibrations of 3-dimensional, elastic, sagged cables analytically and experimentally, and gave a brief review of recent developments in cable dynamics. For translating cables, Simpson (1972) investigated planar oscillations by the linearized equations of motion around the equilibrium. Triantafyllou (1985) used an alternative approach to derive the linearized equations of motion at the equilibrium. Perkins and Mote (1987, 1989) developed a 3-dimensional cable theory for traveling elastic cables. The natural modes for the vibration and stability of translating cable at equilibria were obtained from the eigensolutions of discretized continuum models, and also some experimental results were reported. Luo et al (1996) presented the analytical solu-

tion and resonant motion for a stretched, spinning, nonlinear tether.

The non-straight equilibria of the cable have been determined by approximate means. For the stationary cables or strings, Dickey (1969) investigated the nonlinear string under a vertical force and gave tensile and compressive equilibrium solutions. Antman (1979) extended the Dickey investigation and investigated comprehensively the existence, multiplicity and qualitative behaviors of equilibrium for nonlinear elastic strings under different loads. The translating, sagged string possesses two non-trivial equilibrium states because of centrifugal loading. O'Reilly and Varadi (1995) investigated the equilibria of translating elastic cables. O'Reilly (1996) showed that if one used an observation due to Routh (1884) for inextensible strings, then the work of Antman (1979) and Dickey (1969) on static equilibria for strings can be extended to examine the steady motions of these strings. Healey and Papadopoulos (1990) extended the inextensible cable results to all the elastic strings. O'Reilly (1996) obtained the steady motion and stability of elastic and inextensible strings, and it was also shown that multiple steady motions were possible. In the quantitative investigation of elastic cables, Irvine (1981) used the method of Dickey (1969) to determine the exact equilibrium configuration and the approximate displacements of 2-dimensional cables under positive tension. For a single concentrated vertical load, the predicted displacement is constrained by the assumption that the equilibrium configuration is parabolic and that the ends of the cable are fixed. For multiple concentrated masses, the solutions given by Irvine (1981) require specificity of the initial configuration. To overcome these limitations, Yu et al. (1995) followed Irvine's procedure and computed the tension and equilibrium configuration of a 3-dimensional cable under uniform and concentrated transverse loading. The aforementioned exact solutions describe the equilibrium but not the deformation displacement because the initial configuration is not known. Luo and Mote (2000a) developed a nonlinear theory for traveling, arbitrarily sagged, elastic cables, and the closed-form equilibrium solution and existence were developed analytically. To investigate dynamics of nonlinear sagged, elastic cable, the dynamics of the inextensible cables should be investigated. Luo and Wang (2002) gave a series solution for the oscillation of the traveling, inextensible cable. Wang and Luo (2004) presented an alternative analytic solution for the motion of the in-plane, traveling inextensible cable. This analytical solution is also valid for the traveling speed over the critical speed. Based on dynamics of the inextensible cables, the dynamics of the sagged cables can be determined.

### ***1.1.2. Beams and rods***

Galileo (1638) studied the resistance of a beam clamped at one end into the wall under its own weight or applied weight, which caused modern science to develop. Through waves and vibrations in deformable-bodies, one understood the light and sound propagations. Before the theory of elasticity based on the Hooke's law and Navier's general differential equations for deformable-bodies, one investigated the

theory of the bending and twisting of thin rods and wires. To obtain the solutions and extension of the Galileo's problems, the related, approximate theories for the vibration of bars and plates and the stability of columns were developed between 1638 and 1821. The 1-dimensional rod theory from 3-dimensional models by averaging the stress on the cross section was introduced by Leibniz in 1684. Since then, the first investigation of the elastic line or elastica was presented by James Bernoulli in 1705. In that research, the resistance of the bent rod is assumed to arise from the extension and contraction of its longitudinal fibers in the elastica, and the equation of the curve assumed by the axis is given, in which the resistance to bending is a bending moment proportional to curvature of the rod as bent. Once the concept about the bending moment perpendicular to curvature was established, the work done in bending a rod is proportional to the square of its curvature. Daniel Bernoulli suggested to Euler that the differential equation of the bent rod can be obtained by minimizing the integral of the square of the curvature along the rod. From that suggestion, in 1744, Euler obtained the differential equation of the bent rod and classified the various form for such a problem. From this problem, Euler worked on what is the least length of elastica to bend under its own weight or applied weight (distributed force). Following the Euler theory, Lagrange determined the strongest form of column. Such an idea is a base for the variational principle, and such research is the earliest research on elastic stability. In the Euler's investigation, the rod was assumed as a line of particles to resist bending. In 1776, Coulomb considered the cross section of rod to present the flexure theory of beams and investigated the torsion of the thin rods. The theory improved the rod theory presented by Daniel Bernoulli and Euler. The concept of shear was proposed for the first time. From variation of energy function, the differential equations for the transverse vibration of bars were obtained by Euler and Daniel Bernoulli, and the vibration of rods with different boundary conditions was discussed. In 1802, Chldni presented an investigation of those modes of vibrations, and discussed the longitudinal and torsional vibrations of the bar. Based on the Hooke's law, in 1821, Navier developed the general differential equation for the theory of elasticity. Since the theory of rods was independently developed, one thought how to connect the general theory of elasticity to the theory of thin rods. Kirchhoff (1859) pointed out that the general equations of elasticity are strictly applicable to any small portion of a thin rod if all the linear dimensions of the portion are of the same order of magnitude as the diameters of the cross section. The equation of motions for such a portion of the rod could be simplified from the first approximation of deformation and kinematics. The earlier beam theories were developed by Kirchhoff (1859) and Clebsch (1862), as also presented in Love (1944). The comprehensive history of elasticity can be found in Todhunter and Pearson (1960) and Truesdell (1960).

Since 1940's, one has been interested in the systematic development of rod theories from 3-dimensional continuum mechanics. Hay (1942) obtained the strain from the power series in a thickness parameter. Novozhilov (1948) developed nonlinear theory for a rod with a large deformation. The other approximate theories for 1-dimensional rods or bars were presented by Midlin and Herrmann



(1952), Volterra (1955, 1956, 1961), Midlin and McNiven (1960) and Medick (1966). The theories were used to investigate the wave propagation and vibrations. On the other hand, to develop a theory of rod based on a 1-dimensional continuum model, E. and F. Cosserat (1909) introduced a concept of four vector fields to describe deformable vectors (directors) at a point of the directed and oriented curve. Ericksen and Truesdell (1958) used the Cosserat approach to develop a nonlinear theory of stress and strain in rods and shells through the oriented bodies. Cohn (1966) developed a static, isothermal theory of elastic curves. Whitman and DeSilva (1969) followed the Cohn's work to obtain the dynamical case and gave an explicit expression for the director inertia terms, and DeSilva and Whitman (1971) presented a thermo-dynamical theory for the directed curves with constitutive equations of materials. Such a theory can reduce to classic elastica and the linear theory of the Timoshenko beam when the assumptions were introduced to the corresponding theories, and an exact solution for such a nonlinear theory rods was presented (e.g., Whitman and DeSilva, 1970, 1972, 1974). On the other hand, Green (1959) presented the exact equilibrium equations for resultant force and moments by integration of the 3-dimensional equations over the cross section. Green and Laws (1966) extended this concept and developed a general theory of rods through two directors at each point in rods which requires specification of three vector fields. Antman and Warner (1966) used the polynomials in transverse coordinates to express the location of particle in rods and obtained the equation of motion with powers of the transverse coordinates for hyperelastic rods. Green, Laws and Naghdi (1967) used the idea of Green and Laws (1966) to present a linear theory of straight elastic rods, and Green, Knops and Laws (1968) used the same treatment for small deformation superimposed on finite deformation of elastic rods. A more detailed discussion of rod theories with directors can be referred to Antman (1972). Reissner (1972, 1973) developed a 1-dimensional finite-strain, static beam theory but how to treat the moment was not given. Wempner (1973) presented mechanics of curved rods, but the strain is the Almansi-Hamel strain. The strain energy of nonlinear rods was presented in Berdichevsky (1982). Macwal (1983) gave strain-displacement relations in nonlinear rods and shells. Danielson and Hodges (1987) discussed nonlinear beam kinematics through the deposition of the rotation tensor, and a mixed variational formulation for dynamics of moving beams was presented in Hodges (1990). Simo and Vu-Quoc (1987, 1991) used the exact strain to develop a theory for geometrically-nonlinear, planar rods, and several higher-order approximate theories were also given. Recently, this approach was used for development of the 3-D composite beam theory and numerical approaches were developed for prediction of dynamic responses in Vu-Quoc and Ebcioğlu (1995, 1996) and Vu-Quoc and Deng (1995, 1997). The other derivation of equations of motion for geometrically-nonlinear rods can be referred to Crespo da Silva and Glynn (1978a), Crespo da Silva (1991), Pai and Nayfeh (1990, 1992, 1994).

The vibration of nonlinear, planar rods based on an accurate beam theory was investigated through a perturbation approach in Verma (1972). The free, nonlinear transverse vibration of beams was investigated in Nayfeh (1973) when the beam