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▲ Problems

11.1 Evaluate the matrix  $\underline{B}$  for the tetrahedral solid element shown in Figure P11–1.

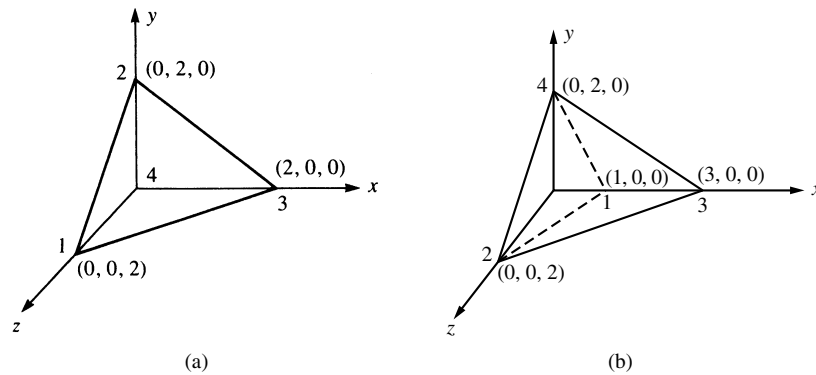


Figure P11–1

11.2 Evaluate the stiffness matrix for the elements shown in Figure P11–1. Let  $E = 30 \times 10^6$  psi and  $\nu = 0.3$ .

11.3 For the element shown in Figure P11–1, assume the nodal displacements have been determined to be

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_1 &= 0.005 \text{ in.} & v_1 &= 0.0 & w_1 &= 0.0 \\
 u_2 &= 0.001 \text{ in.} & v_2 &= 0.0 & w_2 &= 0.001 \text{ in.} \\
 u_3 &= 0.005 \text{ in.} & v_3 &= 0.0 & w_3 &= 0.0 \\
 u_4 &= -0.001 \text{ in.} & v_4 &= 0.0 & w_4 &= 0.005 \text{ in.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Determine the strains and then the stresses in the element. Let  $E = 30 \times 10^6$  psi and  $\nu = 0.3$ .

11.4 What is special about the strains and stresses in the tetrahedral element?