

## Lecture 24: Power-law creep

Logistics: -

Last time: Newtonian fluids

$$\underline{\underline{\sigma}} = -p \underline{\underline{I}} + C \nabla \underline{\underline{v}} = -p \underline{\underline{I}} + 2\mu \underline{\underline{d}}$$

stress-strain relation is linear

$$\rho_0 \left[ \frac{\partial \underline{\underline{v}}}{\partial t} + (\nabla_{\underline{x}} \cdot \underline{\underline{v}}) \underline{\underline{\sigma}} \right] = -\mu \nabla_{\underline{x}}^2 \underline{\underline{\sigma}} - \nabla_{\underline{x}} p + \rho b$$
$$\nabla_{\underline{x}} \cdot \underline{\underline{v}} = 0$$

Navier-Stokes equations (non-linear)

$$Re = \frac{U_c x_c}{\nu} \quad D = \frac{M}{P}$$

$Re \ll 1 \Rightarrow$  Stokes equations

$$\mu \nabla_{\underline{x}}^2 \underline{\underline{v}} = -\nabla p + \rho b \rightarrow \text{linear}$$

Today: Non linear constitutive laws

Power-law creep  $\Rightarrow$  ductile deformation

## Power law creep

Earth Science this most important  
non linear rheology.

Glaciers, Earth mantle

$$\dot{\epsilon} = A \sigma^n$$

$\sigma$  = stress

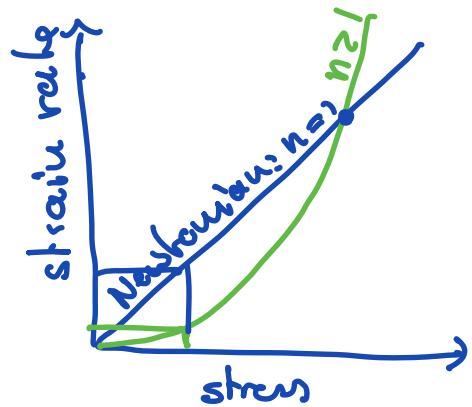
$\dot{\epsilon}$  = strain rate ( $\frac{d}{dt}$ )

$n$  = stress exponent

$A$  = pre factor

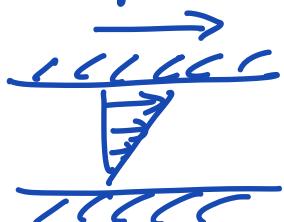
This is a scalar relation, but we need  
a tensor form.

$\Rightarrow$  Rheology of the earth, Raualli



The tensor form can be established  
from laboratory experiments.

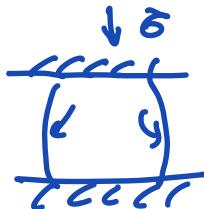
Simple shear



$$\underline{\epsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dot{\epsilon}_s & 0 \\ \dot{\epsilon}_s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\dot{\epsilon}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dot{\epsilon}_s & 0 \\ \dot{\epsilon}_s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Uniaxial compression



$$\underline{\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\dot{\sigma}} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\sigma}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

approx.

$\Rightarrow$  simple configurations with only 1 non-zero component in  $\underline{\epsilon}$  and  $\underline{\dot{\epsilon}}$

Suppose simple shear experiments lead to

$$\dot{\epsilon}_s = A \sigma_s^n$$

A is function of T, P, material parameters.  
but hat n is constant

Turn into tensorial form

1) Exp. not affected by pressure

$\Rightarrow$  use deviatoric stress  $\underline{\sigma}'$  & strain rate  $\underline{\dot{\epsilon}}'$

2) Frame indifferent  $\Rightarrow$  use invariants.

Consider Representation Theorem

$$\dot{\underline{\xi}} = \alpha_0(I_{\underline{\xi}'}) \underline{\underline{I}} + \alpha_1(I_{\underline{\xi}'}) \underline{\underline{\xi}'} + \alpha_2(I_{\underline{\xi}'}) \underline{\underline{\xi}'}^2$$

suppose  $n=2$

$$\ddot{\underline{\xi}} = \alpha_2(I_{\underline{\xi}'}) \underline{\underline{\xi}'}^2$$

$$(\underline{\xi} \underline{\xi}^T) = Q \underline{\underline{\xi}} Q^T \overset{?}{=} \underline{\underline{\xi}}^2$$

only works for  $n=1$  and  $n=2$  but  
observations show  $1 \leq n < 5$ .

$\Rightarrow$  can't use  $\underline{\underline{\xi}}^n$  directly but power law info  
has to enter  $\alpha_i$

From lecture 3: Invariants

$$I_1(\underline{\underline{\xi}}) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{\xi}}) = S_{11} + S_{22} + S_{33}$$

$$I_2(\underline{\underline{\xi}}) = \frac{1}{2} (\text{tr}(\underline{\underline{\xi}})^2 - \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{\xi}}^2)) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 + \lambda_2 \lambda_3 + \lambda_1 \lambda_3$$

in terms of components

$$\begin{aligned}
 -I_2(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}) &= \left| \begin{matrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} \end{matrix} \right| + \left| \begin{matrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{13} \\ \sigma_{31} & \sigma_{23} \end{matrix} \right| + \left| \begin{matrix} \sigma_{22} & \sigma_{23} \\ \sigma_{32} & \sigma_{33} \end{matrix} \right| \\
 &= \sigma_{11}\sigma_{22} - \sigma_{12}^2 + \sigma_{11}\sigma_{23} - \sigma_{13}^2 + \sigma_{22}\sigma_{33} - \sigma_{23}^2 \\
 I_2(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}) &= -(\sigma_{11}\sigma_{22} + \sigma_{11}\sigma_{33} + \sigma_{22}\sigma_{33}) + \sigma_{12}^2 + \sigma_{23}^2 + \sigma_{13}^2 \\
 I_3(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}) &= \det(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3
 \end{aligned}$$

$I_1 = 0$  because deviatoric tensor must be

$$I_3(\dot{\underline{\underline{\sigma}}}) \stackrel{?}{=} \nabla_x \cdot \underline{v} = 0 \quad (\text{checked})$$

$\Rightarrow$  leaves  $I_2$  as only option

Invariants of deviatoric stress:

$$I_1(\underline{\underline{\sigma}'}) = J_1(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}) = 0 \quad J_1(\dot{\underline{\underline{\sigma}}}) = 0 \quad \text{deviatoric}$$

$$I_2(\underline{\underline{\sigma}'}) = \boxed{J_2(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}) = \frac{1}{2} \underline{\underline{\sigma}'} : \underline{\underline{\sigma}}'}, \quad I_2(\dot{\underline{\underline{\sigma}}}) = \boxed{J_2(\dot{\underline{\underline{\sigma}}}) = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\underline{\underline{\sigma}}} : \dot{\underline{\underline{\sigma}}'}}$$

To see this:

$$I_2(\underline{\underline{\sigma}'}) = \sigma'_{12}^2 + \sigma'_{13}^2 + \sigma'_{23}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{\underline{\sigma}'} : \underline{\underline{\sigma}'} &= \sigma'_{ij} \sigma'^z_{ij} - \sigma'_{ij}^2 = \sigma_{12}^2 + \sigma_{13}^2 + \sigma_{23}^2 + \sigma'_{21}^2 + \sigma'_{31}^2 + \sigma'_{32}^2 \\
 &= 2(\sigma_{12}^2 + \sigma_{13}^2 + \sigma_{23}^2) = 2 J_2(\underline{\underline{\sigma}})
 \end{aligned}$$

We can define an effective stress & strain rate

$$\bar{\sigma}'_E = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \bar{\sigma}' : \bar{\sigma}'} \quad \dot{\bar{\epsilon}}_E = \dot{\bar{\epsilon}}_E = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \dot{\bar{\epsilon}} : \dot{\bar{\epsilon}}}$$

power law in terms of effective quantities

$$\dot{\bar{\epsilon}}_E = A \bar{\sigma}_E^n$$

is in terms of invariants and hence objective

To make this tensorial the Representation

Then leaves us only one option

$$\dot{\bar{\epsilon}} = \alpha_1(I_{\bar{\sigma}'}) \bar{\sigma}' + \alpha_2(I_{\bar{\sigma}'}) \bar{\sigma}'^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\bar{\epsilon}}_E = \alpha_1(I_{\bar{\sigma}'}) \bar{\sigma}'_E$$

combine and solve for  $\alpha_1$ ,

$$A \bar{\sigma}_E^n = \alpha_1(I_{\bar{\sigma}'}) \bar{\sigma}'_E$$

$$\alpha_1(I_{\bar{\sigma}'}) = A \bar{\sigma}_E^{n-1}$$

Tensor form for power-law creep

$$\dot{\bar{\epsilon}} = A \bar{\sigma}_E^{(n-1)} \bar{\sigma}'$$

$\Rightarrow$  clearly frame invariant.

Example: Simple shear

$$\underline{\dot{\epsilon}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dot{\epsilon}_s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{\dot{\epsilon}}' \quad \underline{\dot{\epsilon}} = \underline{\dot{\epsilon}}'$$

$$\dot{\sigma}_E' = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \underline{\dot{\epsilon}}' : \underline{\dot{\epsilon}}'} = \dot{\sigma}_s \quad \dot{\epsilon}_E = \dot{\epsilon}_s$$

Substitute  $\underline{\dot{\epsilon}} = A \dot{\sigma}_E^{n-1} \underline{\dot{\epsilon}}' \stackrel{\sigma_n}{\Rightarrow} \dot{\epsilon}_s = A \dot{\sigma}_E'^{(n-1)} \dot{\sigma}_s$

$$= A \dot{\sigma}_s^{n-1} \dot{\sigma}_s$$

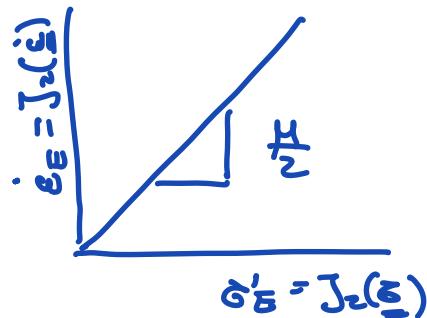
$$= A \dot{\sigma}_s^n$$

### Effective viscosity of power law creep

Newtonian:  $\underline{\dot{\epsilon}} = -\rho \underline{I} + 2\mu \dot{\underline{\epsilon}}$

$$\underline{\dot{\epsilon}}' = 2\mu \dot{\underline{\epsilon}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = \frac{|\dot{\sigma}'|}{2|\dot{\epsilon}'|} = \frac{\dot{\sigma}_E'}{2\dot{\epsilon}_E}$$



Non-Newtonian:  $\dot{\sigma}' = \underbrace{\frac{1}{A} \dot{\sigma}_E'^{1-n}}_{2\dot{\epsilon}_E(\dot{\sigma}_E')} \dot{\underline{\epsilon}}$

$\Rightarrow$  effective viscosity  
is function of stress level.

