

## Lecture 9: Mohr circle & failure

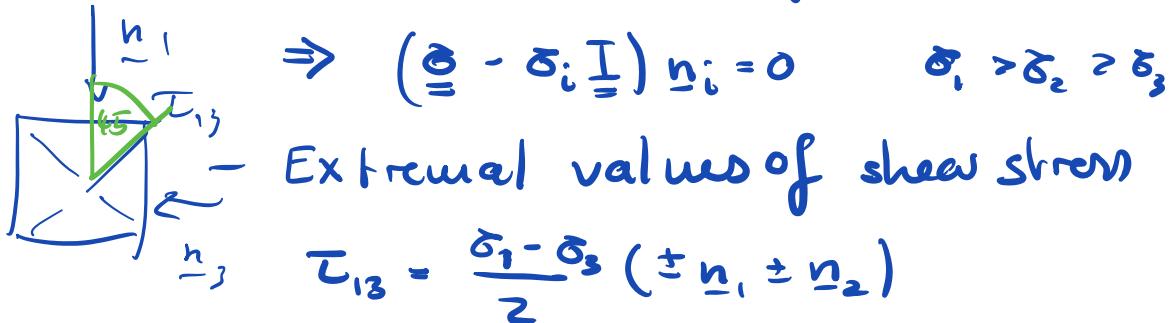
Logistics: - HW4 posted today

Last time: - Normal & shear stress  $t_n = \underline{\sigma} \underline{n}$

$$t''_n = \underline{\underline{P}} \underline{\underline{n}}$$

$$\sigma_n = |t_n| \quad \tau = |t^+|$$

- Extremal values of normal stress



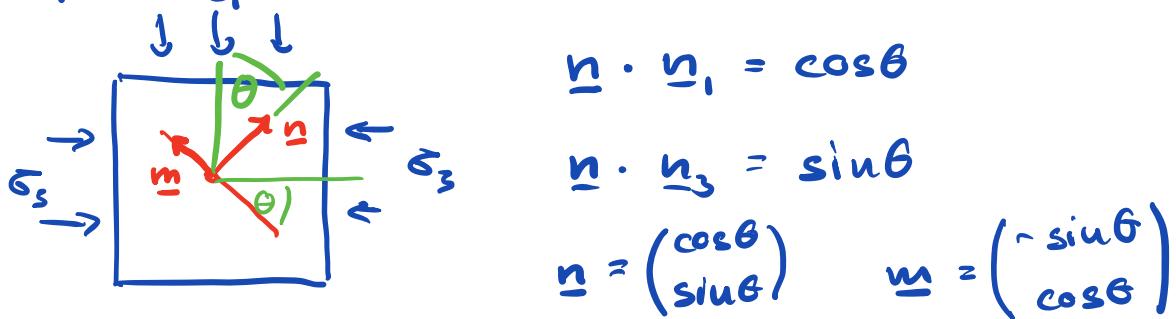
Today: - Mohr circle  
- Failure criteria  
- simple states of stress  
- stress ellipsoid

## Mohr circle

graphical way of displaying the normal and shear stresses on all planes through a point.

For simplicity  $\rightarrow$  2D case

plane contains  $\underline{n}_1$  &  $\underline{n}_3$



Stress in principal frame:

$$\underline{\sigma} = \sigma_1 \underline{n} \otimes \underline{n}_1 + \underline{\sigma}_2 \underline{n} \otimes \underline{n}_2 + \sigma_3 \underline{n} \otimes \underline{n}_3$$

$$\text{traction: } \underline{t}_n = \underline{\sigma} \underline{n} = \sigma_1 \cos\theta \underline{n}_1 + \sigma_3 \sin\theta \underline{n}_3$$

$$\text{normal stress: } \sigma_n = \underline{n} \cdot \underline{t}_n = \sigma_1 \cos^2\theta + \sigma_3 \sin^2\theta$$

$$\text{use } \cos^2\theta = \frac{1+\cos 2\theta}{2}, \sin^2\theta = \frac{1-\cos 2\theta}{2}$$

$$\boxed{\sigma = \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}}_{\text{mean stress}} + \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2}}_{\text{max shear stress}} \cos 2\theta}$$

mean stress      max shear stress  $\tau_{1,3}$

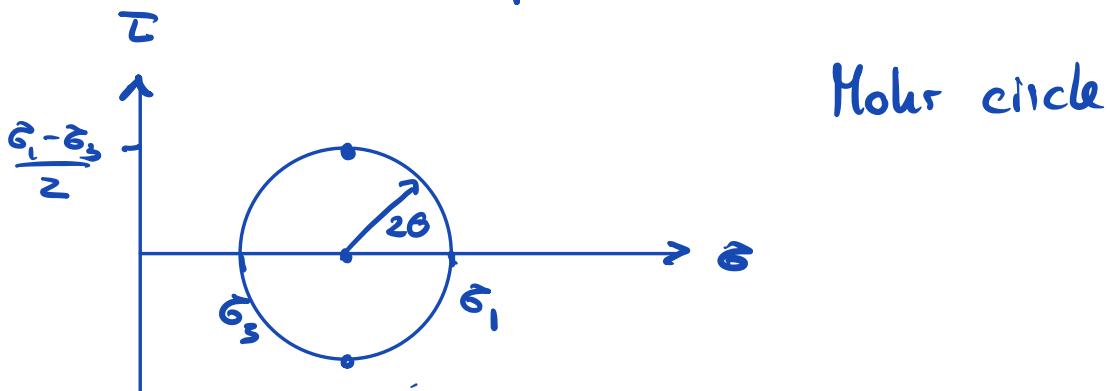
$$\text{shear stress: } \tau = m \cdot t_n = (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) \sin\theta \cos\theta$$

$$\text{use } 2 \sin\theta \cos\theta = \sin 2\theta$$

$$\boxed{\tau = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2} \sin 2\theta}$$

Equ for circle in  $\tau\sigma$  space with  
radius  $R = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2}$  with origin  $(\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}, 0)$

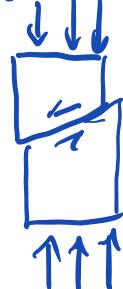
For Mohr circle compressive stresses  
are assumed positive.



$\Rightarrow$  Experiments show failure does not  
occur on surfaces corresponding to  
max shear stress

## Failure criteria for shear fracture

shear fracture is the most common type of brittle failure.

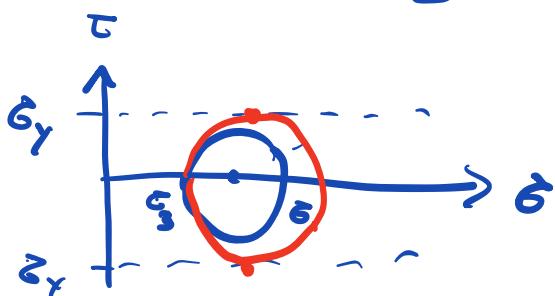


⇒ Empirical criterion for prediction of shear failure.

### I) Tresca criterion

Fracture occurs when max shear stress reaches the shear strength  $\sigma_y$

$$|\tau_{\max}| = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2} = \sigma_y$$



this predicts failure along  $45^\circ$  max shear planes.

## II Coulomb failure criterion

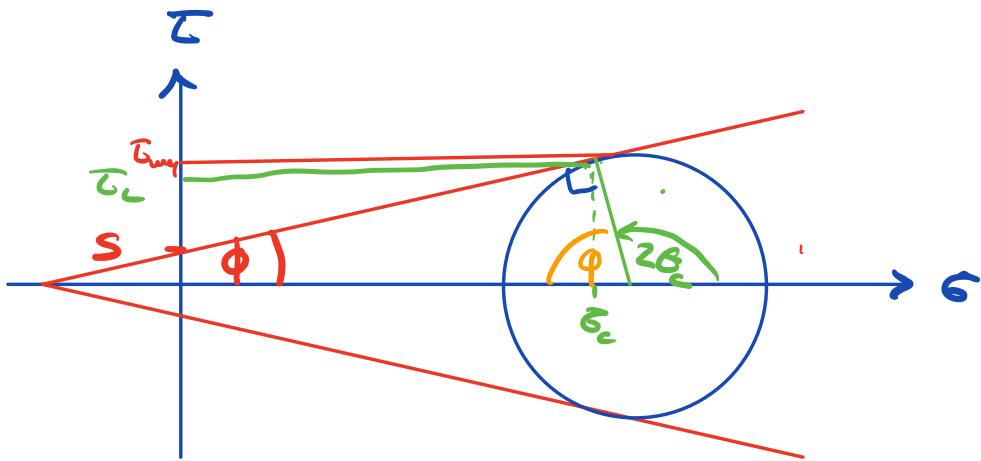
Shear fracture also depends on normal stress

$$|\tau| = S + \mu' \sigma$$

$S$  = cohesive strength  $\sim 10 - 100$  MPa

$\mu' = \tan \phi$  internal friction  $\sim 0.6$

$\phi$  = angle of internal friction  $\sim 30^\circ$



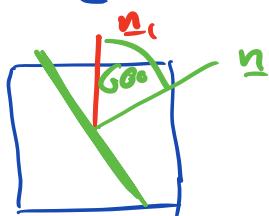
angle of failure

$$\phi + \frac{\pi}{2} + \varphi = \pi$$

$$\varphi + 2\theta_c = \pi$$

$$\phi + \frac{\pi}{2} + (\pi - 2\theta_c) = \pi$$

$$\theta_c = \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\phi}{2} \rightarrow 60^\circ$$



## Byerlee's law (Amonton's law)

All brittle rocks already contain pre-existing fractures and fail by reactivating them  
⇒ fail by friction.

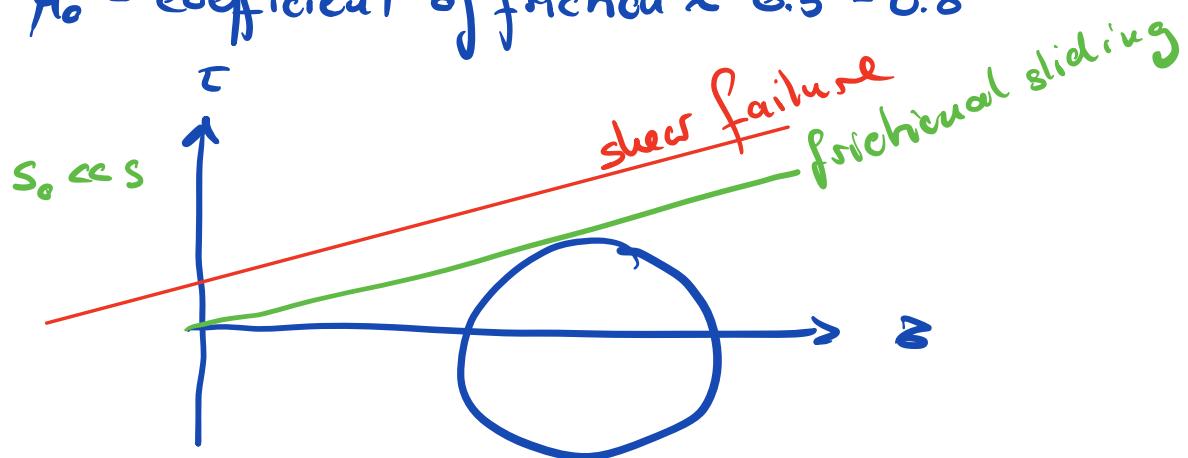
Criterion for frictional sliding

$$|\tau| = S_0 + \mu_0 \sigma$$

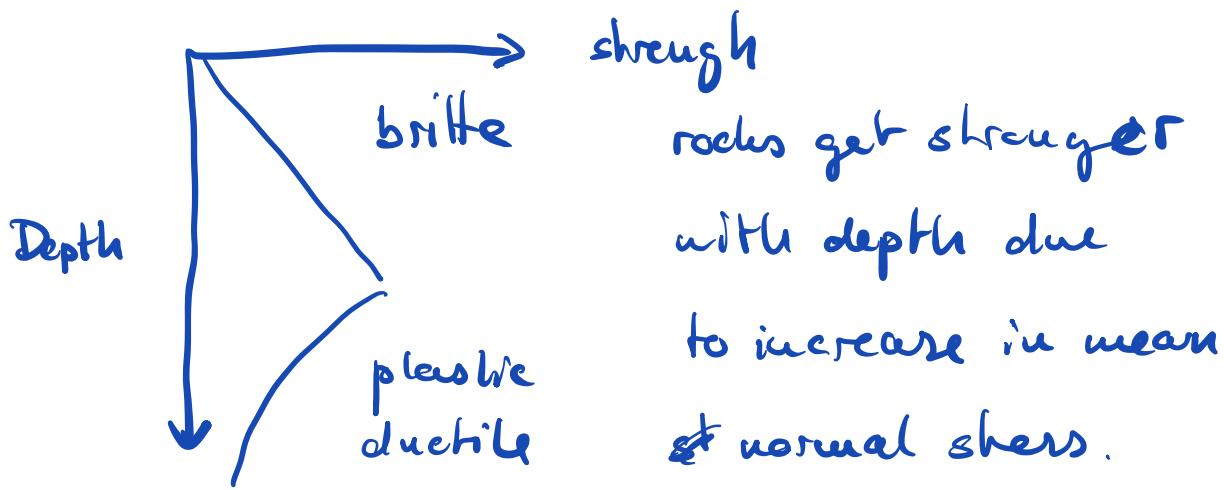
$S_0$  = cohesion of fault  $\sim 1-10 \text{ MPa}$



$\mu_0$  = coefficient of friction  $\sim 0.5 - 0.8$



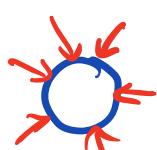
⇒ strength of brittle rocks is determined by frictional sliding



## Simple states of stress

### I) Hydrostatic stress

$$\underline{\sigma} = -p \underline{I} \quad t_n = \underline{\sigma} \underline{n} = -p \underline{n}$$



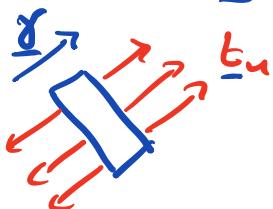
$$\sigma = |t_n''| = t_n \cdot n = -p = \sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_3$$

$$\tau = |t_n^\perp| = 0 \quad \text{no shear stresses}$$

### II Uniaxial stress

$$\underline{\sigma} = \sigma \underline{\gamma} \otimes \underline{\gamma}$$

$$|\underline{\gamma}| = 1$$



$$t_n = \underline{\sigma} \underline{n} = \sigma (\underline{\gamma} \otimes \underline{\gamma}) \underline{n} = \sigma (n \cdot \underline{\gamma}) \underline{\gamma}$$

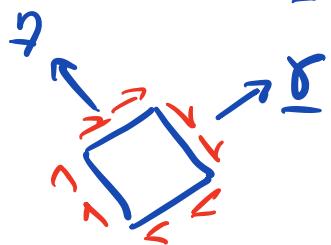
traction always parallel  $\underline{\gamma}$

$\epsilon > 0$  pure tension

$\epsilon < 0$  pure compression

III Pure shear stress  $\underline{\sigma} \cdot \underline{\gamma} = 0 \quad |\underline{\sigma}| = |\underline{\gamma}| = 1$

$$\underline{\sigma} = \tau (\underline{\gamma} \otimes \underline{\gamma} + \underline{\gamma} \otimes \underline{\sigma})$$



$$t_n = \underline{\sigma} \cdot \underline{n} = \tau (\underline{\gamma} \cdot \underline{n}) \underline{\gamma} + \tau (\underline{\gamma} \cdot \underline{n}) \underline{\gamma}$$

$$\underline{n} = \underline{\gamma}: \quad t_n = \tau \underline{\gamma}$$

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IV Uniform/Simple shear

$$\sigma_{12} = \sigma_{21} = \tau$$

$$\underline{\sigma} = \tau (\underline{n}_1 \otimes \underline{n}_2 + \underline{n}_2 \otimes \underline{n}_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \tau & 0 \\ \tau & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

V Plane stress

If there exists a  $\underline{\sigma}$  and  $\underline{\gamma}$  ( $\underline{\sigma} \cdot \underline{\gamma} = 0$ ) such that the matrix representation of  $\underline{\sigma}$  in frame  $\{\underline{\gamma}_1, \underline{\gamma}_2, \underline{\gamma}_3\}$  is of

the form

$$[\underline{\underline{\sigma}}] = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & 0 \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

then a state of plane stress exists.

### Spherical & deviatoric stress tensors

We can write Cauchy stress as

$$\underline{\underline{\sigma}} = \underline{\underline{\sigma}}_S + \underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D$$

spherical stress tensor:  $\underline{\underline{\sigma}}_S = -p \underline{\underline{I}}$      $p = -\frac{1}{3} \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{\sigma}})$   
 $= \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{\sigma}})$

deviatoric stress tensor:  $\underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D = \underline{\underline{\sigma}} - \underline{\underline{\sigma}}_S = \underline{\underline{\sigma}} + p \underline{\underline{I}}$

Pressure is the mean normal stress

$$p = -\frac{1}{3} \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}) = -\frac{1}{3} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)$$

Marc will check  $\frac{1}{3}$

Spherical part of  $\underline{\underline{\sigma}}$  is part that changes

volume of body

deviatoric part changes shape of body

Many constitutive laws are based on  
invariants of deviatoric stress.

$$I_1(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D) = \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D) = 0$$

$$J_2(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D) = -I_2(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D) = \frac{1}{2} \underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D : \underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D$$

$$J_3(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D) = I_3(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D) = \det(\underline{\underline{\sigma}}_D)$$