



## Scalar-Vector-Tensor

A quantity described by only one number is called **scalar**, like as temperature.

A quantity described by three numbers, intensity (magnitude), direction, is called **vector** like as velocity  $\underline{v} = [V_x, V_y, V_z]$

A quantity described by more one number i.e. 3 directions and 3 intensities is called **tensor**, like as strains in a continuous medium

$$\underline{\tau} = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_{11} & \tau_{12} & \tau_{13} \\ \tau_{21} & \tau_{22} & \tau_{23} \\ \tau_{31} & \tau_{32} & \tau_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Strain tensor



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A scalar, a vector and a tensor quantity can be constant or depend on a variable (scalar, vector, tensor). When depend on a variable, the quantity is called **field** (scalar vectorial, tensorial).

If the coordinate system changes, the scalar is the same, instead the vector and the tensor have to be ricalculated.

So we define a quantity which “physical” proprieties are indipendent by the coordinate system (i.e. Intensity and direction of the vector).



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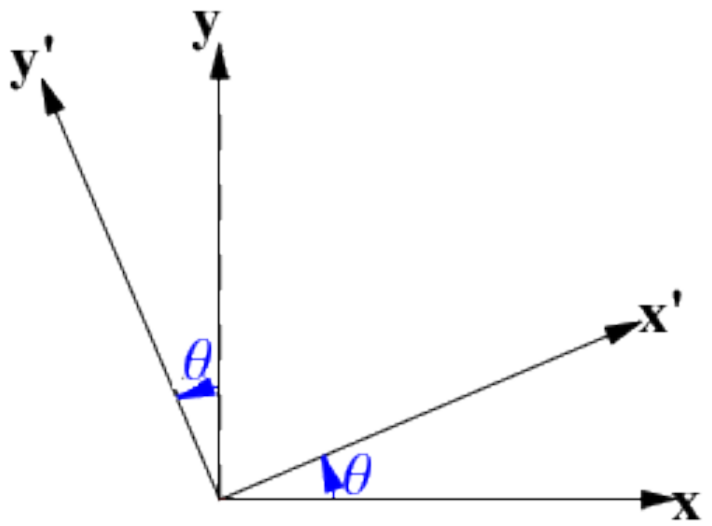
Tensors are simply mathematical objects that can be used to describe physical properties, just like scalars and vectors. In fact tensors are merely a generalization of scalars and vectors; a scalar is a zero rank tensor, and a vector is a first rank tensor.

The **rank (or order)** of a tensor is defined by the number of directions (and hence the dimensionality of the array) required to describe it. For example, properties that require one direction (**first rank**) can be fully described by a  **$3 \times 1$  column vector**, and properties that require two directions (**second rank tensors**), can be described by **9 numbers, as a  $3 \times 3$  matrix**. As such, in general an  $n^{\text{th}}$  rank tensor can be described by  **$3^n$  coefficients**.

The need for second rank tensors comes when we need to consider more than one direction to describe one of these physical properties.



## COORDINATE TRASFORMATIONS 2-D



$$x' = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$$

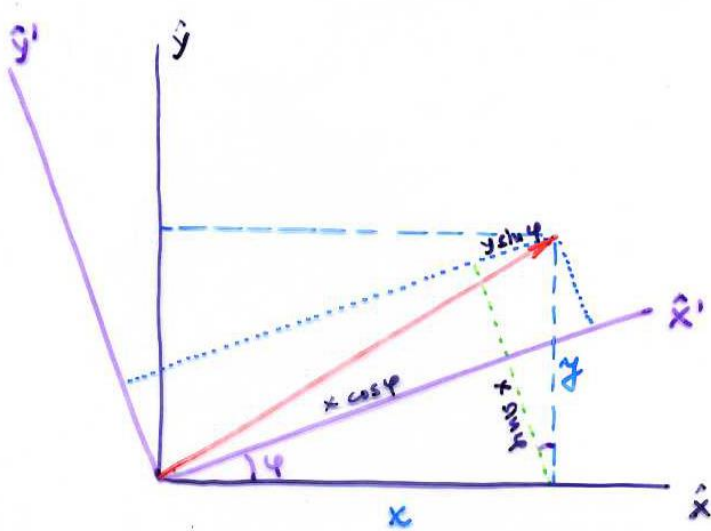
and

$$y' = -x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$



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$$a_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij} = \cos[x'_i, x_j]$$

$$x'_i = a_{ij} x_j$$

$$a_{11} = \cos[x'_1, x_1] = \cos \varphi$$

$$a_{12} = \cos[x'_1, x_2] = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \varphi\right) = \sin \varphi$$

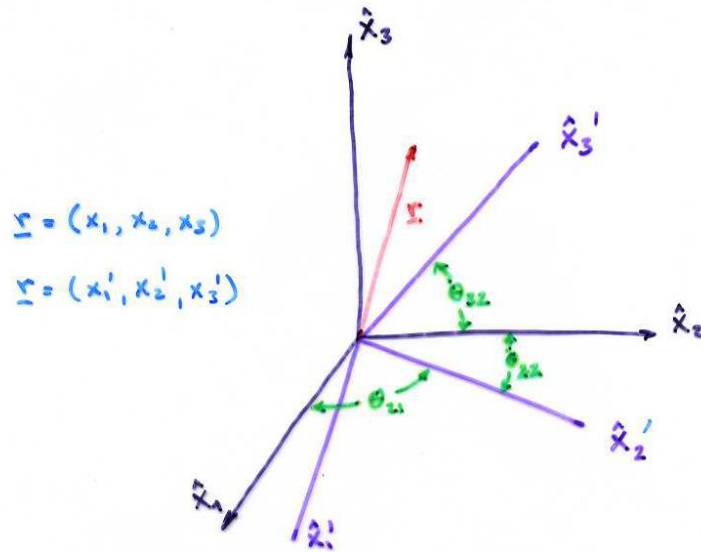
$$a_{21} = \cos[x'_2, x_1] = \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \varphi\right) = -\sin \varphi$$

$$a_{22} = \cos[x'_2, x_2] = \cos \varphi$$

NB: implied summation over repeated indices!



## COORDINATE TRASFORMATIONS 3-D



$$x'_1 = a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3$$

$$x'_2 = a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3$$

$$x'_3 = a_{31}x_1 + a_{32}x_2 + a_{33}x_3$$

$$x'_i = a_{ij}x_j$$

$$a_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij} = \cos[x'_i, x_j]$$

$$x_j = a_{ij}x'_i$$

NB:

$$\underline{x}' = \underline{\underline{A}}\underline{x}$$

$$\underline{x} = \underline{\underline{A}}^T \underline{x}'$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}}^T = \underline{\underline{A}}^{-1}$$



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## TENSORS

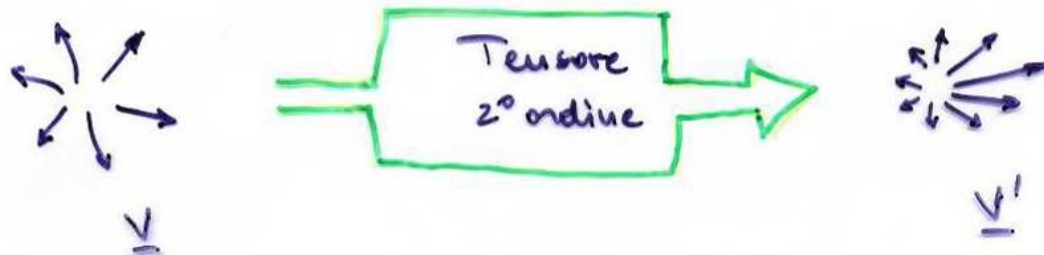
The tensor of  $r^{\text{th}}$  put in relation two tensors with rank  $m$  and  $n$  ( $m+n=r$ )

$$T_m \leftarrow T_{r=n+m} \rightarrow T_n$$

Example: a vector is a trasformation of one point in an other one.



A tensor of second rank transfrom a vector (vectorial field) in an other one ( vectorial field).

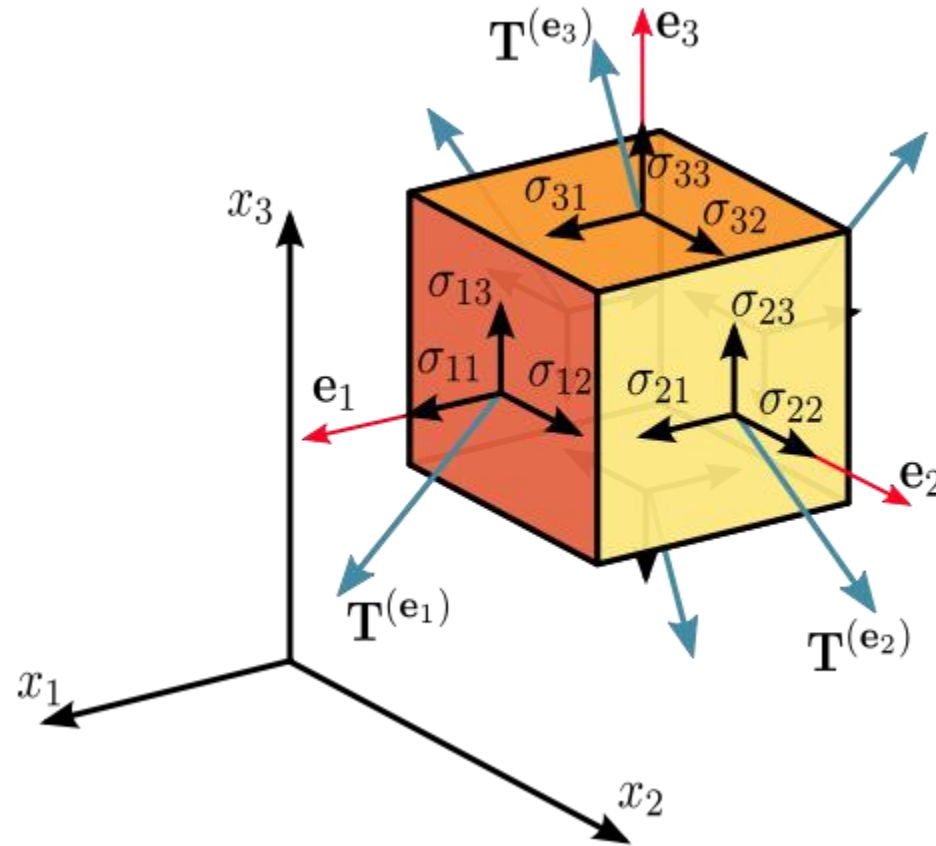




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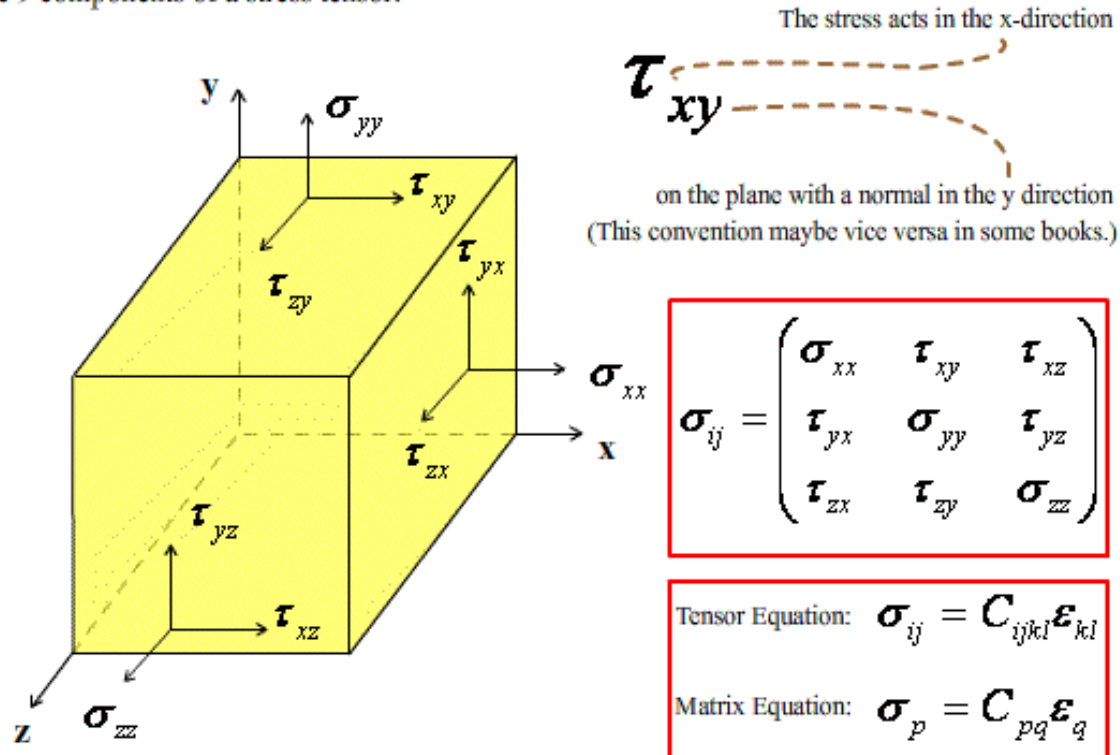
Tensors are geometric objects that describe linear relations between vectors, scalars, and other tensors.



Stress tensor



The 9 components of a stress tensor:





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In almost all cases, the tensors of second rank are:

Symmetric

$$u_{ij} = u_{ji} \longrightarrow$$

6 independent components

have positive eigenvalues

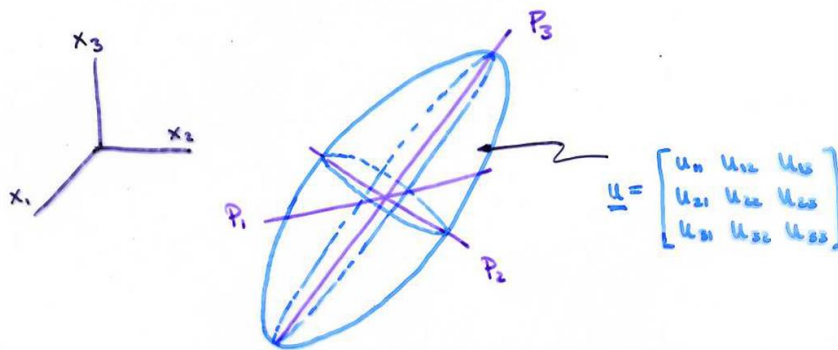
$$\lambda_i > 0$$

These tensors can be represented by ellipsoidal surfaces.

The intersection of the main axes, P1, P2, P3, correspond to

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_1}} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_2}} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_3}}$$

where  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$ ,  $\lambda_3$  are the eigenvalues (major, intermediate, minor).



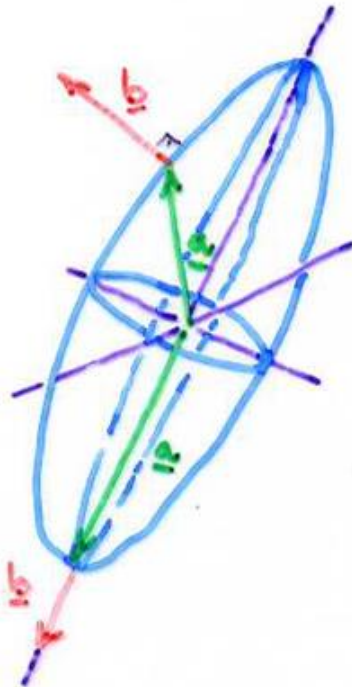


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A tensor acting on a vector transforms it into another vector. The  $\underline{b}$  direction is perpendicular to the  $\underline{a}$  intersection with the ellipsoid  $\underline{u}$ .

If  $\underline{a}$  is parallel to one of the three main axes, then  $\underline{b} \parallel \underline{a}$ .



$$u_{ij} a_j = b_i$$



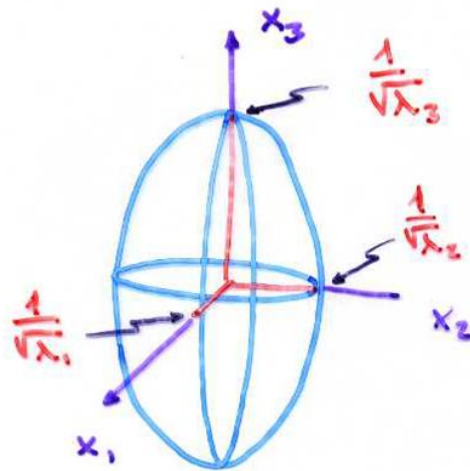
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The representation ellipsoid surface oriented along the main axes is:

$$\lambda_1 x_1^2 + \lambda_2 x_2^2 + \lambda_3 x_3^2 = 1$$

$$\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \lambda_3$$



$$\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}$$



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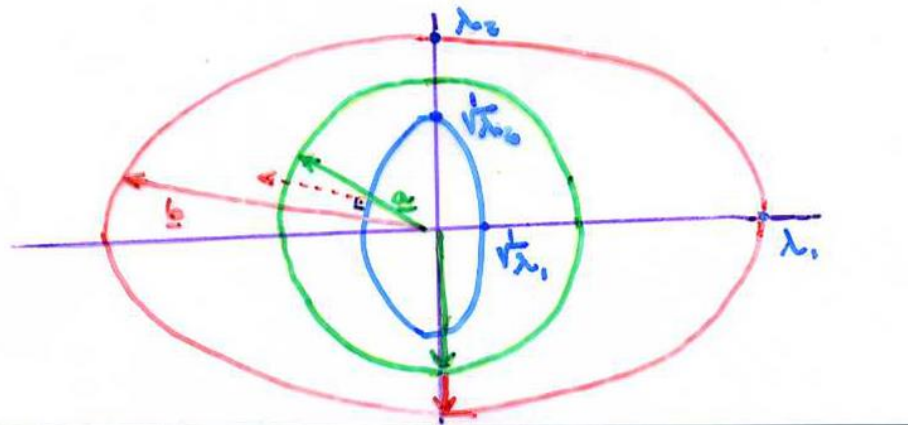
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The length of the major, the intermediate and minor axis is

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_3}} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_2}} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_1}}$$

The intensity ellipsoid gives the **b** vector intensity that is (from **ua**)

$$\frac{x_1^2}{\lambda_1^2} + \frac{x_2^2}{\lambda_2^2} + \frac{x_3^2}{\lambda_3^2} = 1$$





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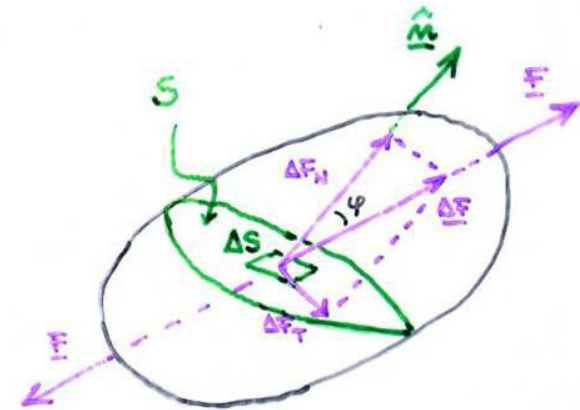
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When on a solid body act external force (i.e. pressure, traction), the body is deformed changing shape and/or volume. The body that returns to its initial condition when the external forces stopped, is called **elastic body**. For small deformation and small time scale (minutes not million years), the rocks can be consider elastic.

The elasticity theory links the forces applied on external surface of a body to its shape and volume changes. This relationship is expressed in term of stresses and strains.

**Stresses** are forces per unit area that are transmitted through a material by interatomic force fields. Stresses that are transmitted perpendicular to a surface are **normal stresses**; those that are transmitted parallel to a surface are **shear stresses**. The mean value of the normal stresses is the pressure.

We consider a body subjected to a traction force  $\underline{F}$  and  $\Delta S$  a surface element of a generic section  $S$  of the body of which the normal  $\tilde{n}$  makes an angle  $\phi$  with  $\underline{F}$ . If we named  $\underline{\Delta F}$  the force that acts on  $\Delta S$ , the stress is:



$$\underline{\sigma} = \lim_{\Delta S \rightarrow 0} \frac{\underline{\Delta F}}{\Delta S} = \frac{d\underline{F}}{dS} = \underline{\sigma}(\tilde{n})$$

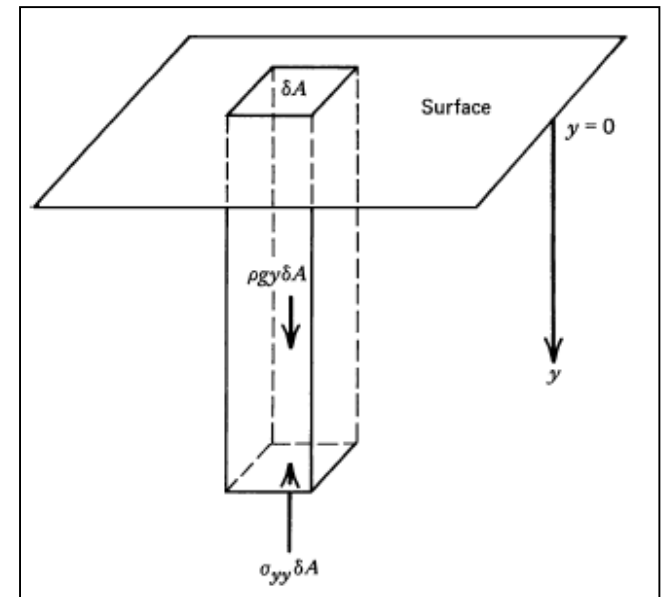
Its unit in SI system is Pascal:  $1\text{Pa}=1\text{Nm}^{-2}$



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- Consider the force that must act at the base of the column of rock at a depth  $y$  beneath the surface to support the weight of the column: the weight of the column of cross-sectional area  $\delta A$ , is  $\rho g y \delta A$ .
- This weight must be balanced by an upward surface force  $\sigma_{yy} \delta A$  distributed on the horizontal surface of area  $\delta A$  at depth  $y$ .
- We are assuming that no vertical forces are acting on the lateral surfaces of the column and that the density  $\rho$  is constant:
- $\sigma_{yy}$  is thus the surface force per unit area acting perpendicular to a horizontal surface, that is, **stress**



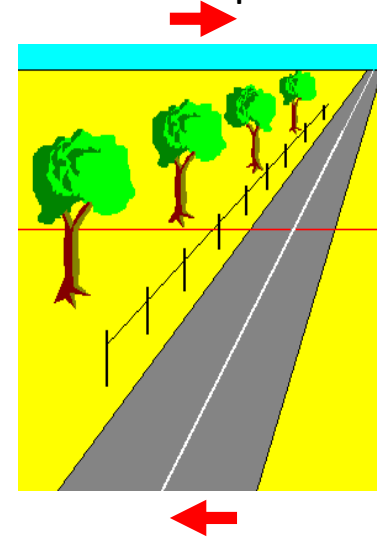
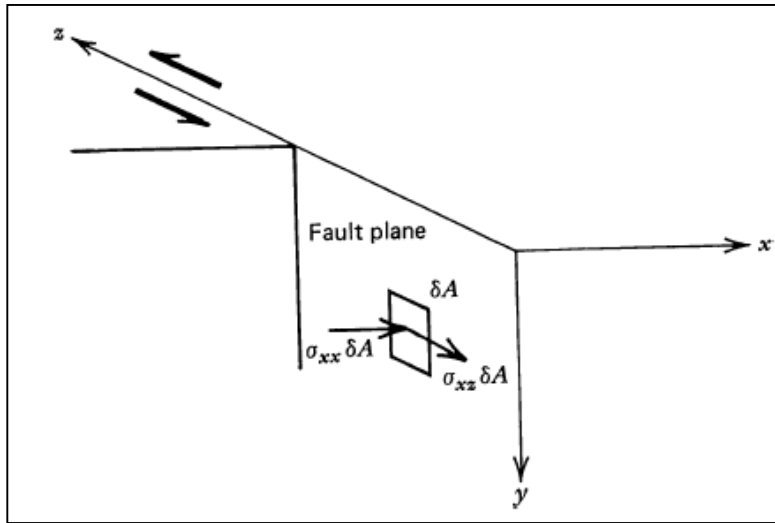
Since the forces on the column of rock must be equal if the column is in equilibrium, we find:

$$\sigma_{yy} = \rho g y \quad [\text{Eq 1}]$$

The normal force per unit area on horizontal planes increases linearly with depth. The normal stress due to the weight of the overlying rock or overburden is known as the **lithostatic stress** or pressure.



- Surface forces can act parallel as well as perpendicular to a surface. An example is provided by the forces acting on the area element  $\delta A$  lying in the plane of a strike-slip fault:



- The normal compressive force  $\sigma_{xx} \delta A$  acting on the fault face is the consequence of the weight of the overburden and the tectonic forces tending to press the two sides of the fault together. The tangential or shear force on the element  $\sigma_{xz} \delta A$  opposes the tectonic forces driving the left-lateral motion on the fault.

- This shear force is the result of the frictional resistance to motion on the fault. The quantity  $\sigma_{xz}$  is the tangential surface force per unit area or the shear stress: the first subscript refers to the direction normal to the surface element and the second subscript to the direction of the shear force.



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## Sign convention

The **tension stress** (directed outwards the body) is positive.

The **compressional stress** (directed inwards the body) is negative.

The component along the positive direction of an axis is positive.

The component along the negative direction of an axis is negative.

The sign of the stress is the product of these signs (above).

Example: the component of a compressional stress directed along the negative axis is positive:

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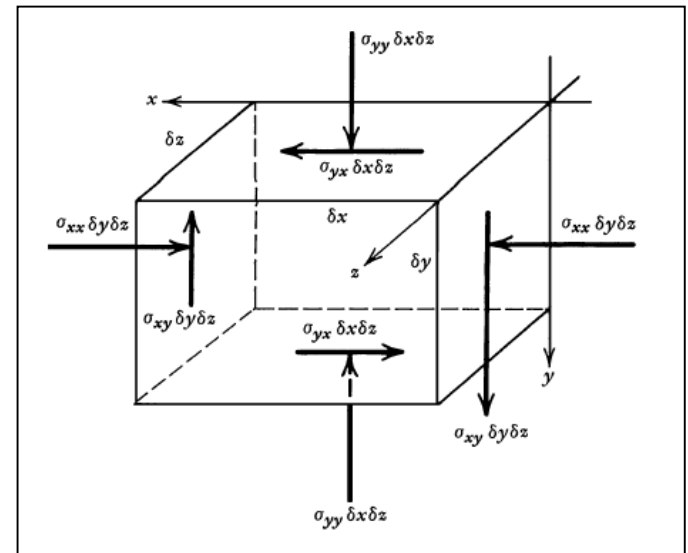
The **horizontal tensile stress** is a force per unit area acting on vertical planes and tending to pull on such planes. A **compressive stress** is a normal force per unit area tending to push on a plane. We consider compressive stresses positive and tensile stresses negative, a convention generally adopted in the geological literature. This is opposite to the sign convention used in most elasticity textbooks in which positive stress is tensional



## Stress in two dimensions

In this section we will consider a two-dimensional state of stress; the state is two-dimensional in the sense that there are no surface forces in the  $z$  direction and none of the surface forces shown vary in the  $z$  direction. The normal stresses are  $\sigma_{xx}$  and  $\sigma_{yy}$ , and the shear stresses are  $\sigma_{xy}$  and  $\sigma_{yx}$ . The notation adopted in labeling the stress components allows immediate identification of the associated surface forces. The second subscript on  $\sigma$  gives the direction of the force, and the first subscript gives the direction of the normal to the surface on which the force acts.

The tangential or shear stresses  $\sigma_{xy}$  and  $\sigma_{yx}$  have associated surface forces that tend to rotate the element in Figure about the  $z$  axis. The moment exerted by the surface force  $\sigma_{xy}\delta y\delta z$  is the product of the force and the moment arm  $\delta x$ ; that is, it is  $\sigma_{xy}\delta x\delta y\delta z$ . This couple is counteracted by the moment  $\sigma_{yx}\delta x\delta y\delta z$  exerted by the surface force  $\sigma_{yx}\delta x\delta z$  with a moment arm  $\delta y$ .





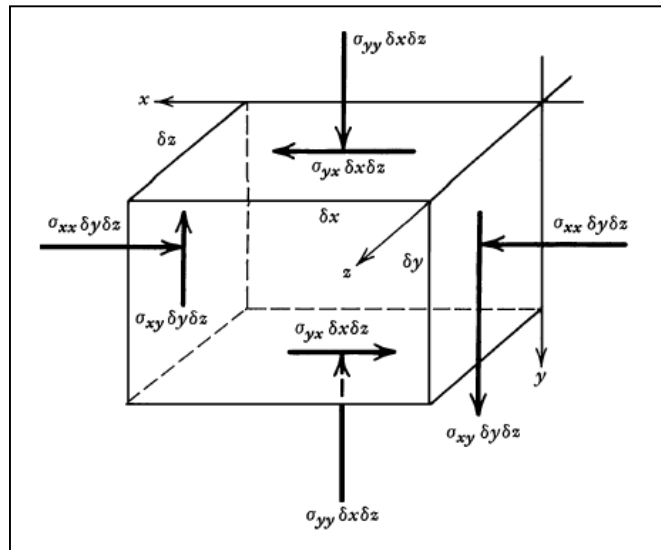
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Because the element cannot rotate if it is in **equilibrium**:

$$\sigma_{xy} = \sigma_{yx} \quad [Eq. 6]$$

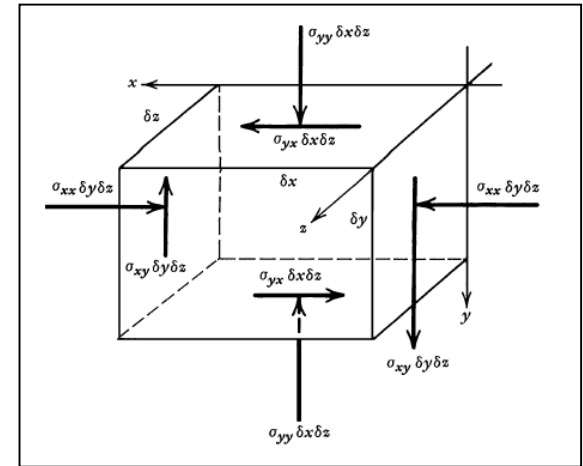
Thus the shear stresses are **symmetric** in that their value is independent of the order of the subscripts. Three independent components of stress  $\sigma_{xx}$ ,  $\sigma_{yy}$ , and  $\sigma_{xy}$  must be specified in order to prescribe the two-dimensional state of stress.





## Stress in three dimensions

Stress components can be defined at any point in a material. In order to illustrate this point, it is appropriate to consider a small rectangular element with dimensions  $\delta x$ ,  $\delta y$ , and  $\delta z$  defined in accordance with a cartesian  $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $z$  coordinate system, as illustrated in Figure:



In order that the parallelepiped is in static equilibrium (not in motion), it is needed that the resultants of the internal and external forces act on it and also the resultant of the moments. Both the normal and shear stress are functions of the coordinates of the point to which they relate; so that we should consider the stress changes that are expressed by partial differentials of the stresses.

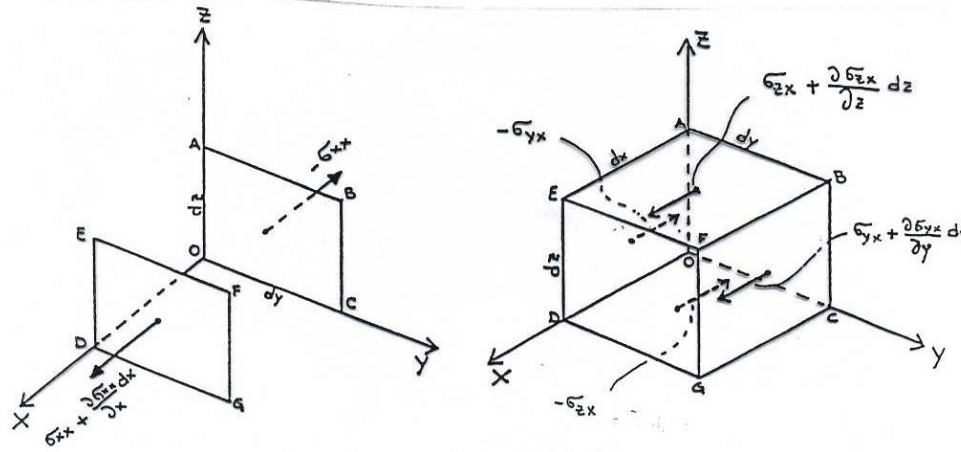


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## Translation:

We consider the internal forces acting along x axis. The contribution of normal stresses is the one related to the two faces perpendicular to the x axis.



On the DEFG face the stress is  $\sigma_{xx}$  plus its increment along x axis. So the force acts on the DEFG is:

$$forza = (\text{sforzo} \times \text{superficie}) = \left[ \sigma_{xx} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} dx \right] dydz$$

Instead the force on the face ABCO is (the negative sign is because the negative direction along x axis):

$$- \sigma_{xx} \cdot dydz$$

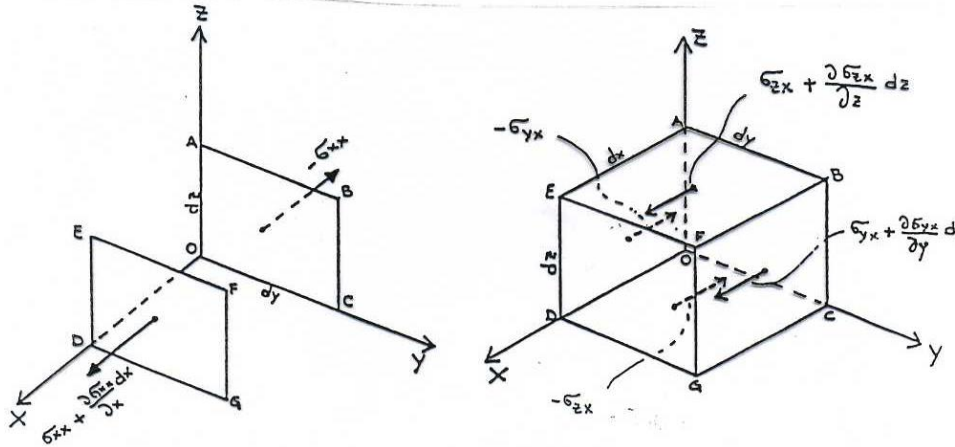
The sum of the forces due to the normal stresses is:

$$- \sigma_{xx} dydz + \left( \sigma_{xx} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} dx \right) dydz = \frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} dx dydz$$



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The contribution due to the shear stresses is related to the two faces pairs parallel to x axis. For the sides perpendicular to y axis:

$$-\sigma_{yx} dx dz + \left( \sigma_{yx} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial y} dy \right) dx dz = \frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial y} dx dy dz$$

Instead for the sides perpendicular to z axis:

$$-\sigma_{zx} dx dy + \left( \sigma_{zx} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zx}}{\partial z} dz \right) dx dy = \frac{\partial \sigma_{zx}}{\partial z} dx dy dz$$

The resultant of the forces act along x axis is:

$$\left( \frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zx}}{\partial z} \right) dx dy dz$$



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The same for the y and z axis:  $\left(\frac{\partial\sigma_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{zy}}{\partial z}\right)dxdydz$   $\left(\frac{\partial\sigma_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{zz}}{\partial z}\right)dxdydz$

The external forces acting on the parallelepiped are due to gravity, with acceleration g. If the density of parallelepiped is  $\rho$ , the gravity force act along x axis is:

$$\rho dVg_x = \rho dxdydzg_x$$

The equilibrium conditions to avoid translations can be expressed as:

$$\frac{\partial\sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{zx}}{\partial z} + \rho g_x = 0 \quad \frac{\partial\sigma_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{zy}}{\partial z} + \rho g_y = 0 \quad \frac{\partial\sigma_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial\sigma_{zz}}{\partial z} + \rho g_z = 0$$

These equation can be easily expressed in tensorial or vectorial form as

$$\frac{\partial\sigma_{ji}}{\partial x_j} + \rho g_i = 0 \quad \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\underline{\sigma}} + \rho \underline{g} = 0$$





## Rotations:

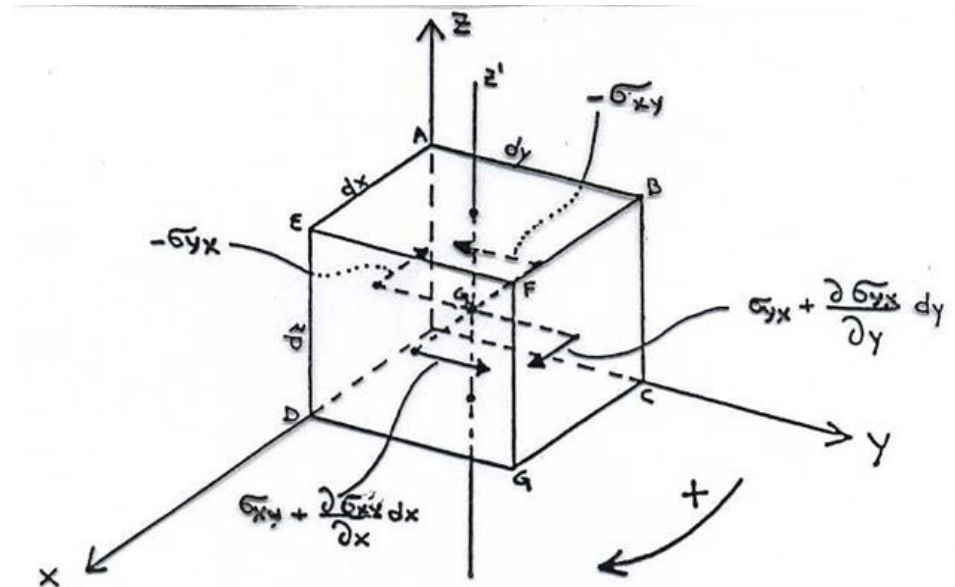
We consider the components of rotations around axes passing for the barycenter of the parallelepiped and parallel to the axes  $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $z$ . For a axis parallel to  $z$ , the stresses that cause rotations, are those acting along  $x$  and  $y$ .

Considering positive the moments that cause a clockwise rotation, the moment related to the shear stresses parallel to  $x$  axis is (moment = stress x surface x arm):

$$\left(-\sigma_{yx}\right) dx dz \left(-\frac{dy}{2}\right) + \left(\sigma_{yx} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial y} dy\right) dx dz \left(\frac{dy}{2}\right)$$

The same for the stresses parallel to axis  $y$ :

$$-\left\{\left(-\sigma_{xy}\right) dy dz \left(-\frac{dx}{2}\right) + \left(\sigma_{xy} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{xy}}{\partial x} dx\right) dy dz \left(\frac{dx}{2}\right)\right\}$$





To not have rotations, the sum of moments must be null. Ignoring the terms of fourth order ( $dx^2dydz$ ), we obtain:

$$(\sigma_{xy} - \sigma_{yx})dxdydz = 0$$

from which we have:

$$\sigma_{xy} = \sigma_{yx}$$

The same results are obtained for the other axes, so that we have:

$$\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_{ji}$$

The stress tensor is a symmetric tensor and has only six independent components.



## Deviatoric stress

Deep in the Earth there is great compression stress due to the gravitational load of the overlying rocks. It is sometimes appropriate to remove the effect of the load and consider only the remaining effort which we call “deviatoric”. We define the average stress

$$M = (\sigma_{11} + \sigma_{22} + \sigma_{33})/3 = \sigma_{ii}/3$$

as the third part of the normal stresses sum, that is the trace of the stresses tensor which is invariant. So the average stress is also equal to the trace of diagonalized tensor divided three:

$$M = (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)/3$$

The deviatoric stress is defined removing the effect of average stress:

$$D_{ij} = \sigma_{ij} - M\delta_{ij}$$
$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} - M & \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{13} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} - M & \sigma_{23} \\ \sigma_{31} & \sigma_{32} & \sigma_{33} - M \end{pmatrix}$$



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The deviatoric stress tensor is the result of tectonic force and provide faulting and sometimes produces anisotropy in the propagation of seismic waves.

For depth bigger than few km, it frequently assume that exist a state of lithostatic stress, for which the normal stress are equal to the pressure due to the gravitational load of the overlying rocks with minus sign, and the deviatoric stresses are equal to zero.

Because the weight of a column of rock high  $z$  and with density  $\rho$  is equal to  $\rho gz$ , the pressure  $P$  at a depth of 3 km below a column of rock with density  $3 \text{ g/cm}^3$  is:

$$P = (3 \text{ g/cm}^3)(980 \text{ cm/s}^2)(3 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}) = 9 \times 10^8 \text{ dyn/cm}^2 = 0.9 \text{ kbar}$$

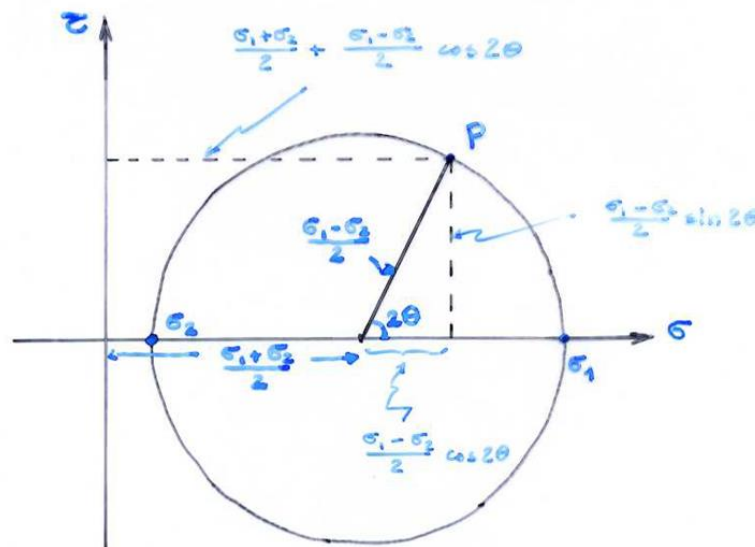
The pressure at a depth of 3 km is about 1 kbar o 100Mpa. Because exist the deviatori stresses (small) the relationship is only a good approximation.



## MOHR'S CIRCLE

A means by which two stresses acting on a plane of known orientation can be plotted as the components of normal and shear stresses (derived separately from each of the two stresses). Mohr's circle is a geometric representation of the 2-D transformation of tridimensional state of stresses and this graphical representation is extremely useful because it enables you to visualize the relationships between the normal and shear stresses acting on various inclined planes at a point in a stressed body.

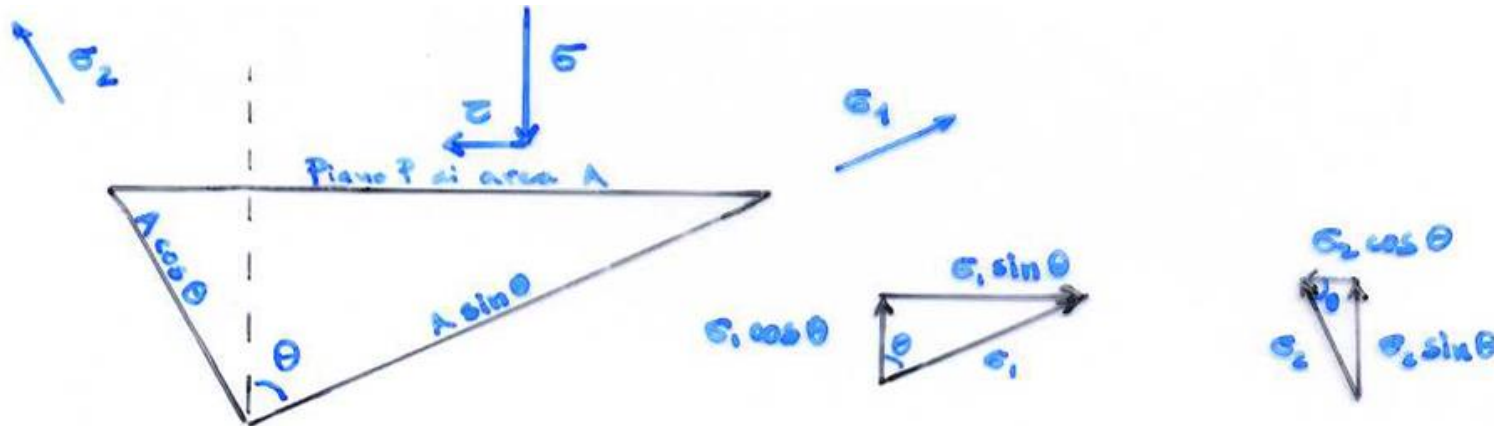
Using Mohr's Circle you can also calculate principal stresses, maximum shear stresses and stresses on inclined planes.





## MOHR'S CIRCLE

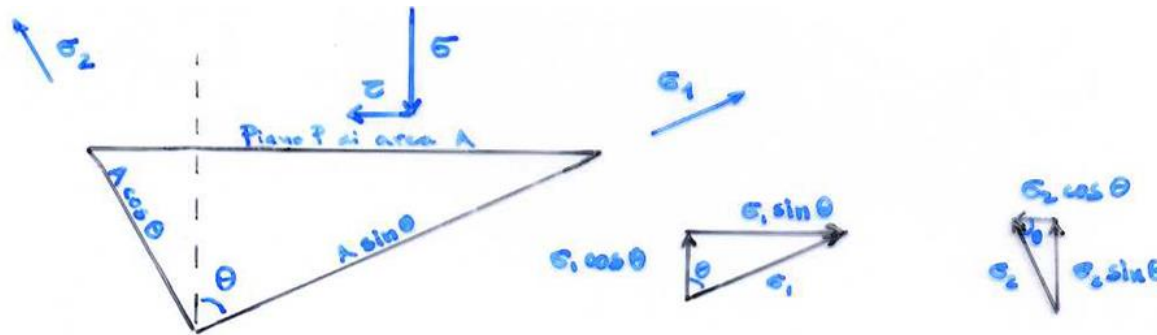
To derive the tangential stress and normal on a plane, consider a prismatic element with two sides parallel to the main stress  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  ( $\sigma_1 < \sigma_2$ ) and with the third face P with area A, which normal forms an angle  $\theta$  with the direction of  $\sigma_1$





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Consider the equilibrium of the prisma in the two directions, parallel and perpendicular, at plane P!. For the equilibrium along the parallel direction:

$$(\sigma_2 \cos \theta) \quad (A \sin \theta) \quad + \tau A = (\sigma_1 \sin \theta) \quad (A \cos \theta)$$

perpendicular surface to  $\sigma_2$   perpendicular surface to  $\sigma_1$

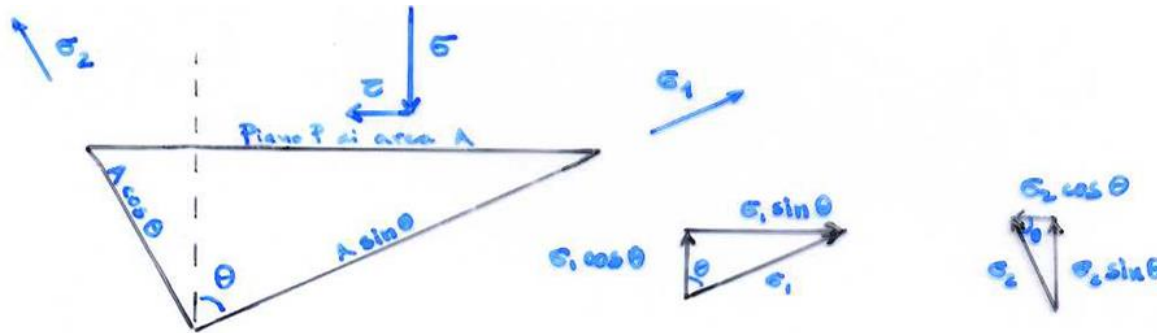
From which

$$\tau = (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) \sin \theta \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) \sin 2\theta$$



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The same for the perpendicular direction

$$\sigma A = (\sigma_2 \sin \theta)(A \sin \theta) + (\sigma_1 \cos \theta)(A \cos \theta)$$

From which

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= \sigma_1 \cos^2 \theta + \sigma_2 \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_1 (1 + \cos 2\theta) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_1 (1 - \cos 2\theta) = \\ &= \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2} + \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} \cos 2\theta \end{aligned}$$

From these equations we can calculate the normal  $\sigma$  and shear  $\tau$  components on any plane, given  $\vartheta$ ,  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$ .

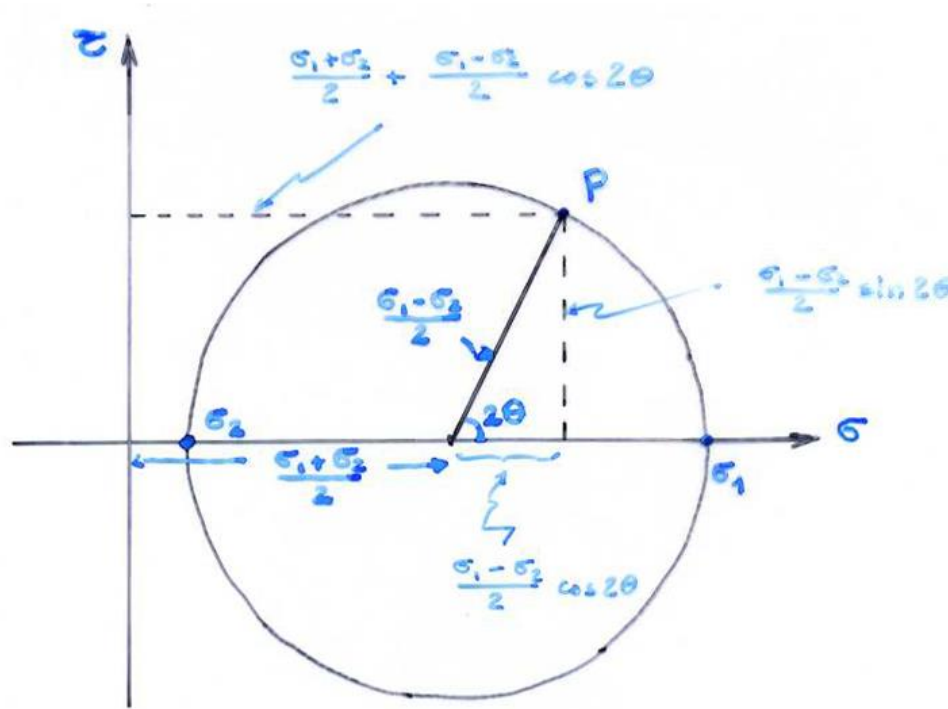
These equations represent the Mohr' circle.





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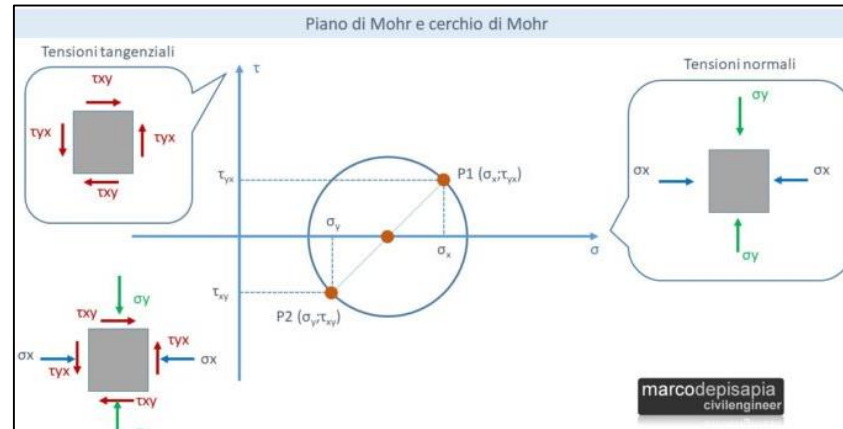
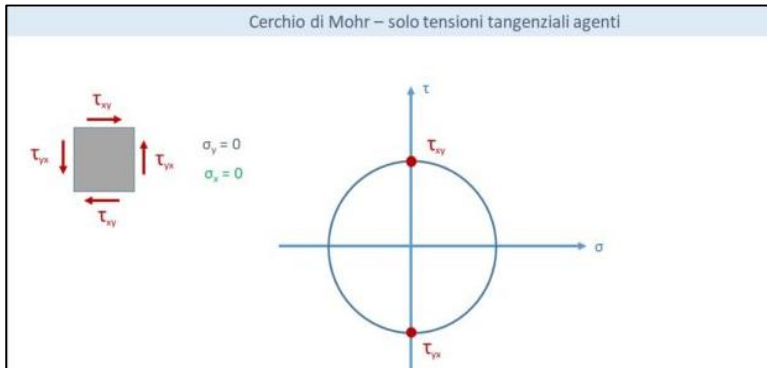
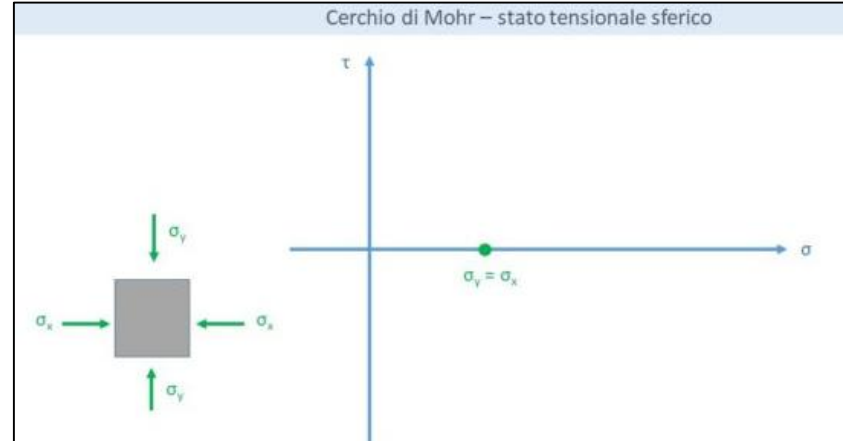
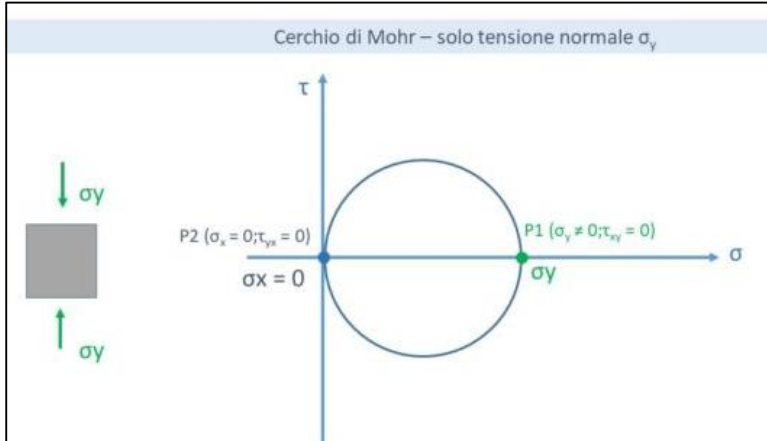


The compressional stress is positive (on the right of the origin), the tensional ones negative. The shear stress downward is positive, the others negative. The angles measured counterclockwise from the  $\sigma_1$  are positive.



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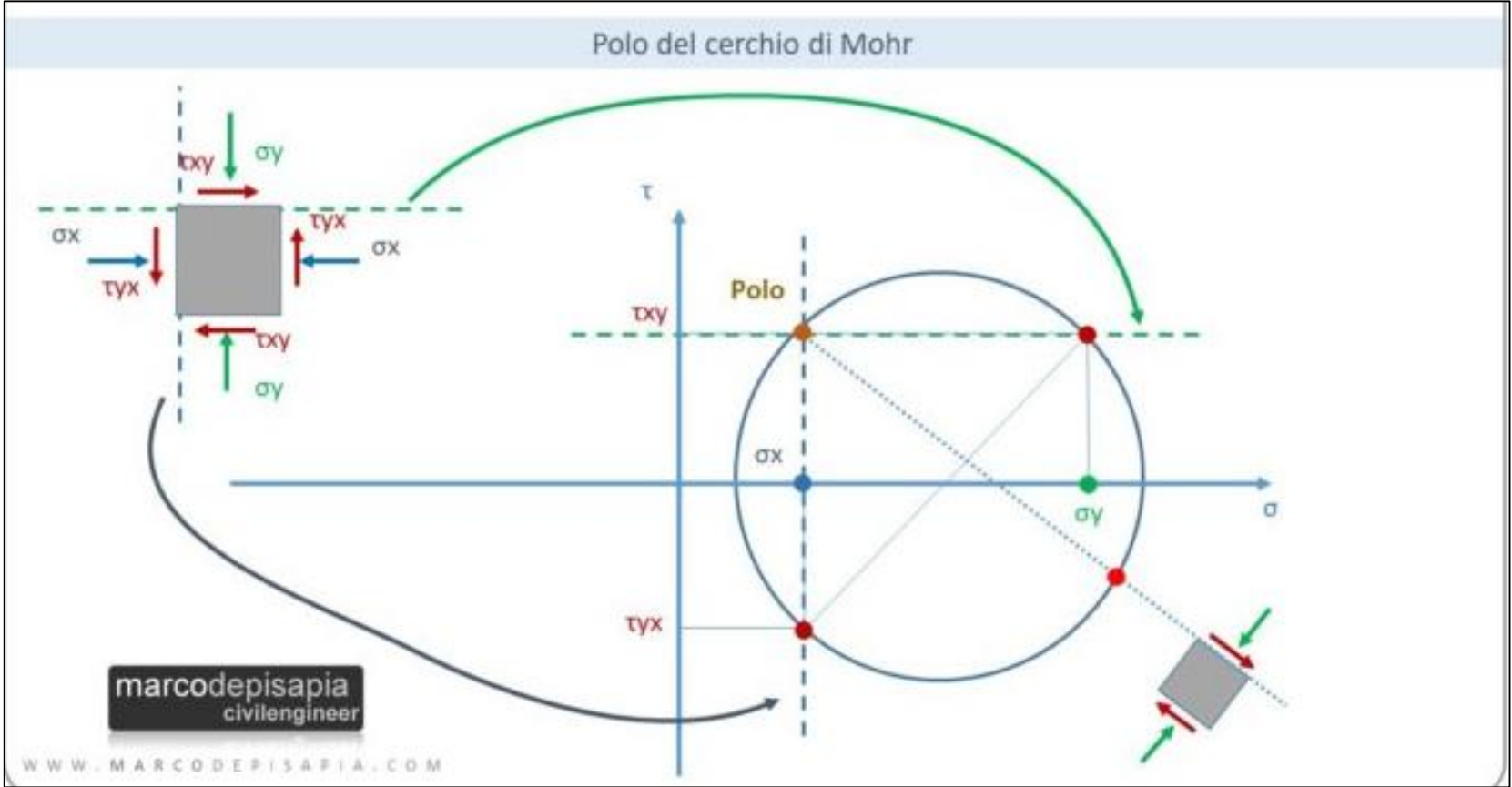
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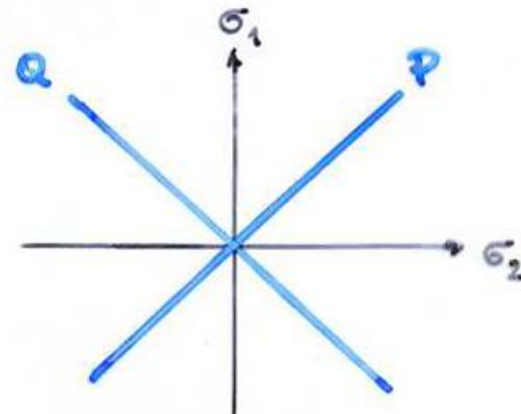
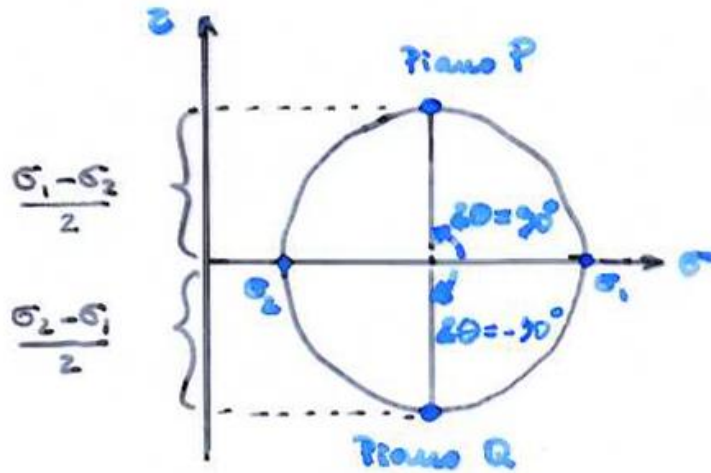




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The shear stress is the biggest on two perpendicular planes : the first one is at  $\vartheta = 45^\circ$  from  $\sigma_1$ , the second one is at  $\vartheta = -45^\circ$  from  $\sigma_1$ .





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Until now we have considered one surface/plane stress (one of the main stress is null), so the stress tensor (assuming  $\sigma_3=0$ ) is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & 0 \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{that is} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Possible bidimensional stress and their representation

TENSIONE IDROSTATICA

TENSIONE GENERALE

TENSIONE UNIASSIALE

SPORTI DI TAGLIO PURO

COMPRESSIONE UNIASSIALE

COMPRESSIONE GENERALE

COMPRESSIONE IDROSTATICA

Non verosimile nella Terra

Possibile vicino alla superficie

Possibile

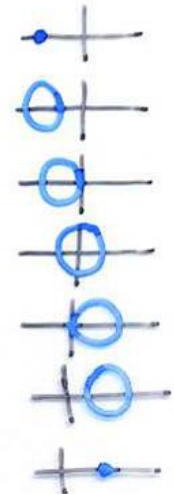
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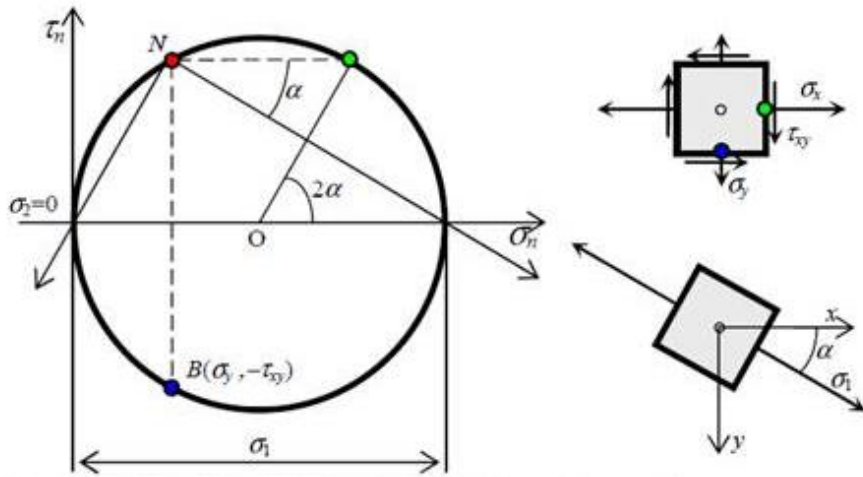
Possibile, specie a grandi prof.

caso speciale  
 $\sigma_2 = -\sigma_1$





## Esempi cerchio di Mohr



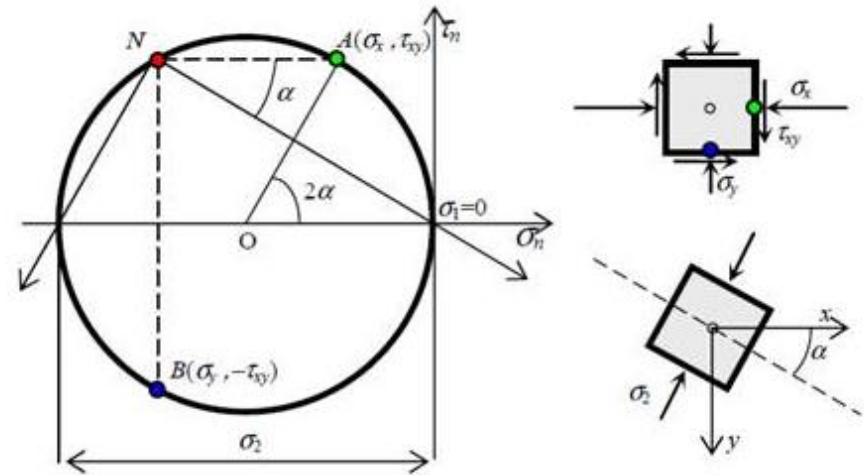
Cerchio di Mohr nel caso di

$$\sigma_1 > 0$$

$$\sigma_2 = 0$$



(tensione monoassiale)



Cerchio di Mohr nel caso di

$$\sigma_1 = 0$$

$$\sigma_2 < 0$$



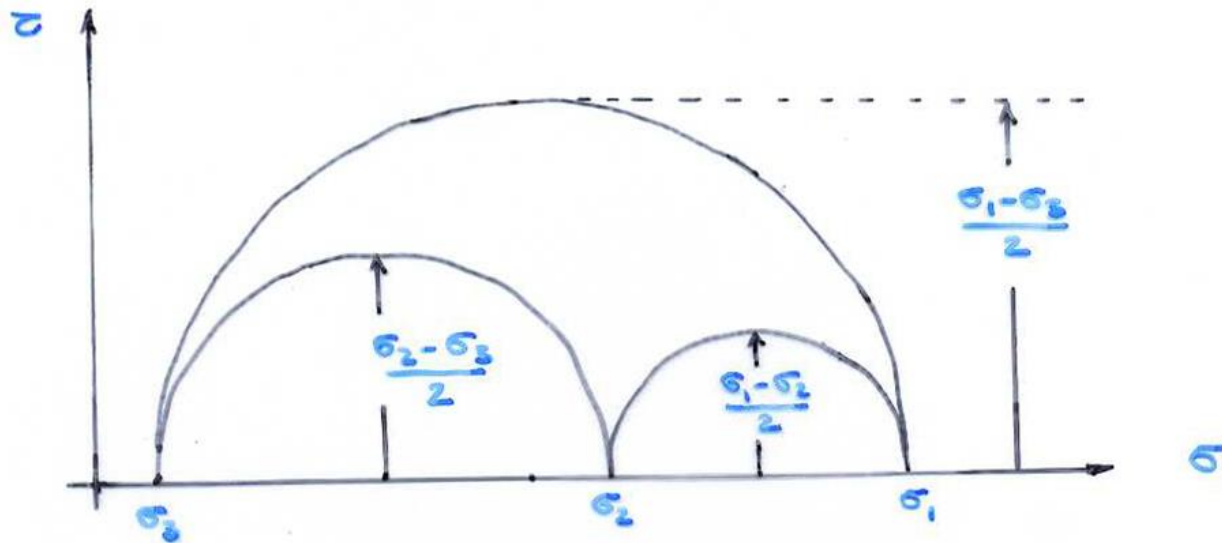
(compressione monoassiale)



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Passing from surface stress to tridimensional one, there will be three couples of main stress with which to build three Mohr's circles, each of ones represent the stress state on the plane containing the main corresponding axes.

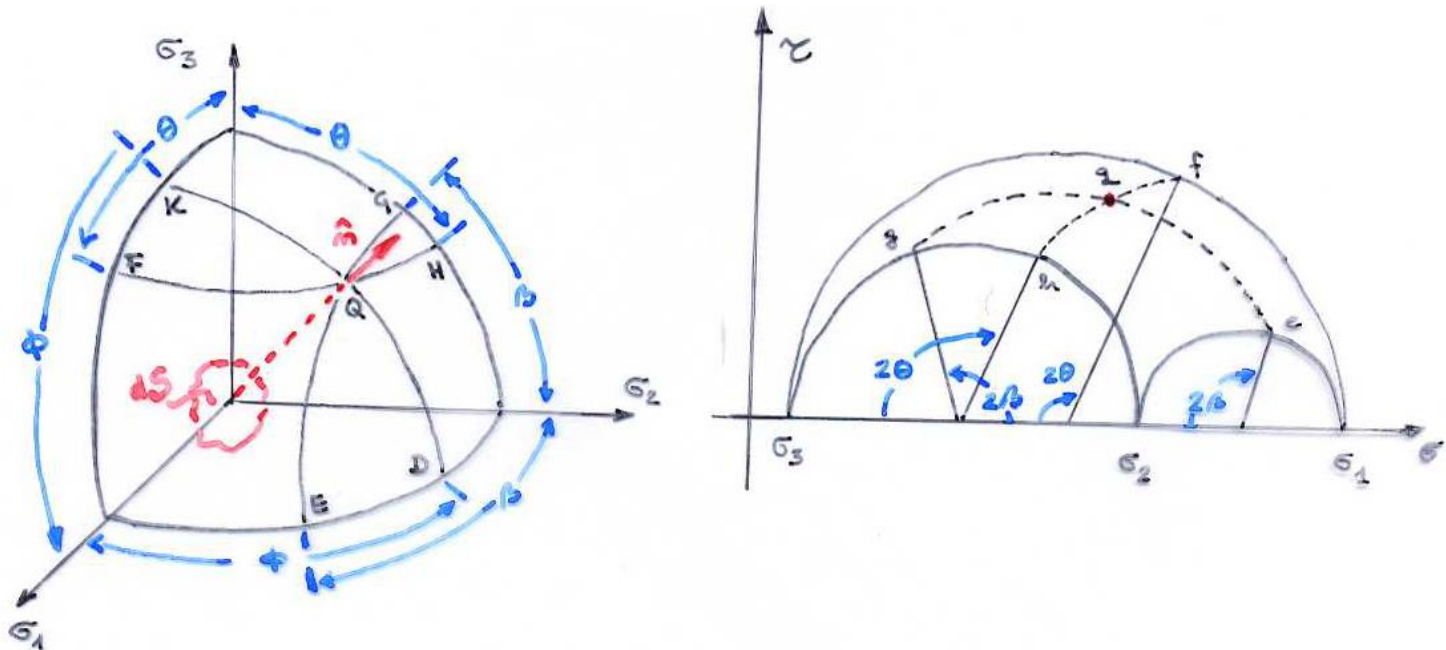




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By symmetry we have represented only the part of the graphyc corresponding to  $\tau > 0$ . it can be shown that any point lying between the three circles can represents the normal and shear stress on a plane oriented with normal  $\hat{n}=(\cos \phi, \cos\beta, \cos\vartheta)$ . For the palane dS the point is q!



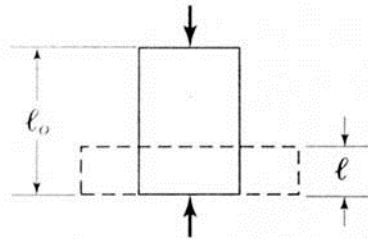
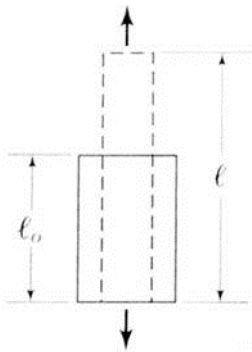




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Solid bodies are never completely rigid; under the action of forces applied these bodies are deformed. The strain are said to be elastic if they disappear when stopped the forces that have produced them, and the body on which these forces acted, it will be said elastic body otherwise deformations are said to be permanent. Consider the purely geometrical study of the distribution of displacements and deformations of an elastic body, without caring to consider the forces that caused these changes.



Small deformations:

Elongation:  $\Delta l = l - l_0$

Linear deformation:  $\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta l}{l_0} = \frac{l - l_0}{l_0}$



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Consider a stress acting in the x direction on an elastic thread. The point L on the thread moves of a distance u to the point L' when the stress is applied, instead the point M moves to the point M' at the distance u+δu. The strain in the x direction and indicate with  $e_{xx}$  is defined by the ratio between the elongation and the original length of the elastic thread:



$$e_{xx} = \frac{L'M' - LM}{LM} = \frac{\delta x + \delta u - \delta x}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta u}{\delta x} \xrightarrow{\lim \delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

Implicit in our discussion is the assumption that the deformations are small.



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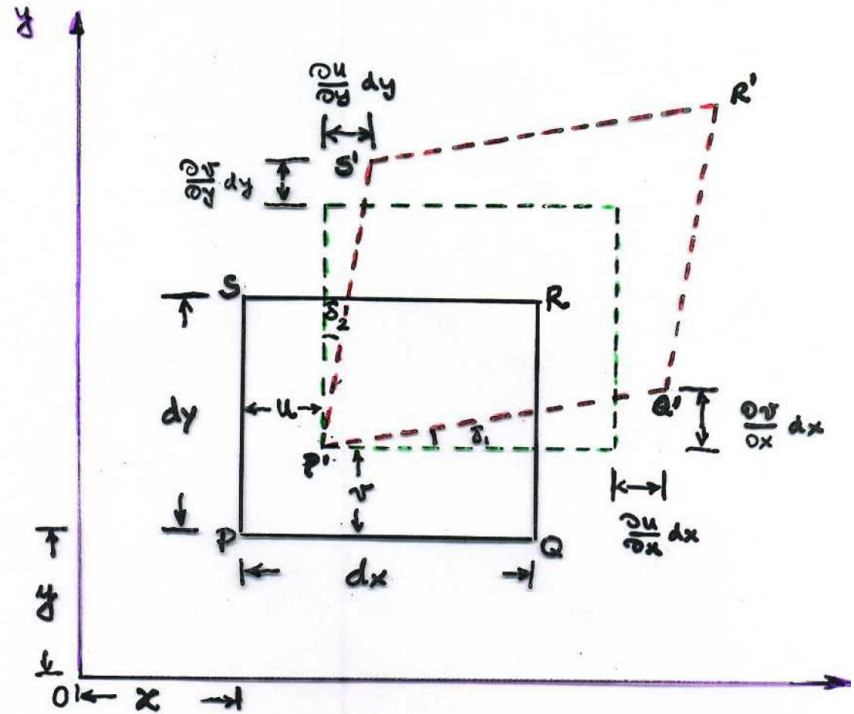
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In the bidimensional case, we consider the deformations of the rectangle PQRT in the plane x-y. The P, Q, S points moves to P', Q', S'.

$$P(x, y) \rightarrow P'(x+u, y+v)$$

$$Q(x+dx, y) \rightarrow Q'(x+dx+u+\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}dx, y+v+\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}dx)$$

$$S(x, y+dy) \rightarrow S'(x+u+\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}dy, y+dy+v+\frac{\partial v}{\partial y}dy)$$



The deformation in the x direction:

$$e_{xx} = \frac{dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx - dx}{dx} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

The same in the y direction:  $e_{yy} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$



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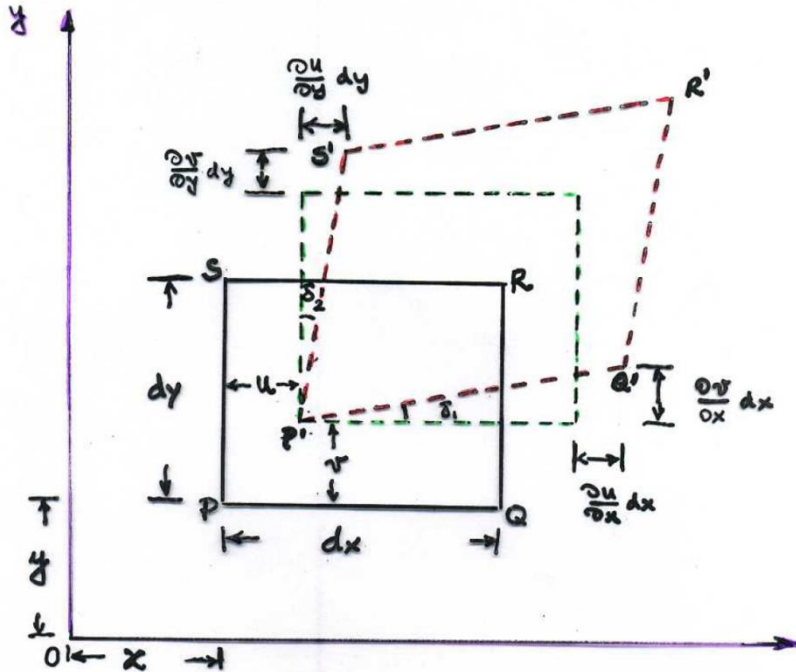
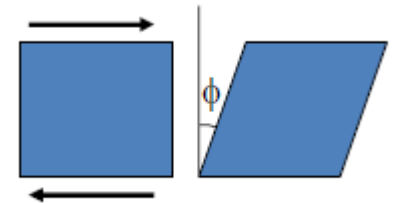
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We have so far considered strains or deformations that do not alter the right angles between line elements that are mutually perpendicular in the unstrained state. Shear strains, however, can distort the shapes of small elements. For example, Figure shows a rectangular element in two dimensions that has been distorted into a parallelogram. The shear strain  $e_{xy}$  is defined to be one half of the decrease in the angle SPQ:

$$e_{xy} \equiv -\frac{1}{2}(\phi_1 + \phi_2)$$

where  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  are the angles through which the sides of the original rectangular element are rotated. The angle  $\delta_1 + \delta_2$  is called shear angle:

$$\delta_1 + \delta_2 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$





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In the three dimensions only six shear strains ( $e_{ij}$  with  $i \neq j$ ), but  $e_{ij} = e_{ji}$  so only three are independent:

$$e_{xy} = e_{yx} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$e_{xz} = e_{zx} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$e_{yz} = e_{zy} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)$$

So the shear angle is double of shear deformation  $\delta_1 + \delta_2 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$



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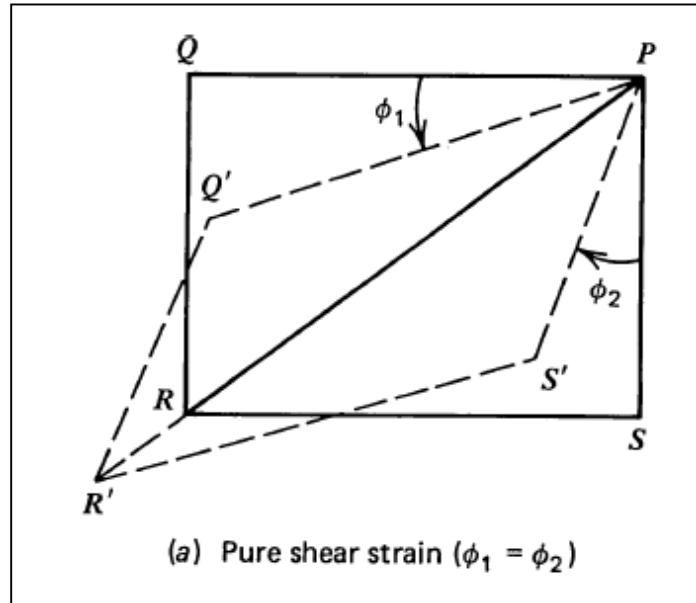
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If the amount of solid-body rotation is zero, the distortion is known as pure shear. In this case, illustrated in Figure:

$$\phi_1 = \phi_2; \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

and the shear strain is:

$$e_{xy} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$



If  $\delta_1 \neq \delta_2$  there is a rotation around the z axes of the angle:  $\Theta_z = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_1 - \delta_2) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)$



In three dimensions:

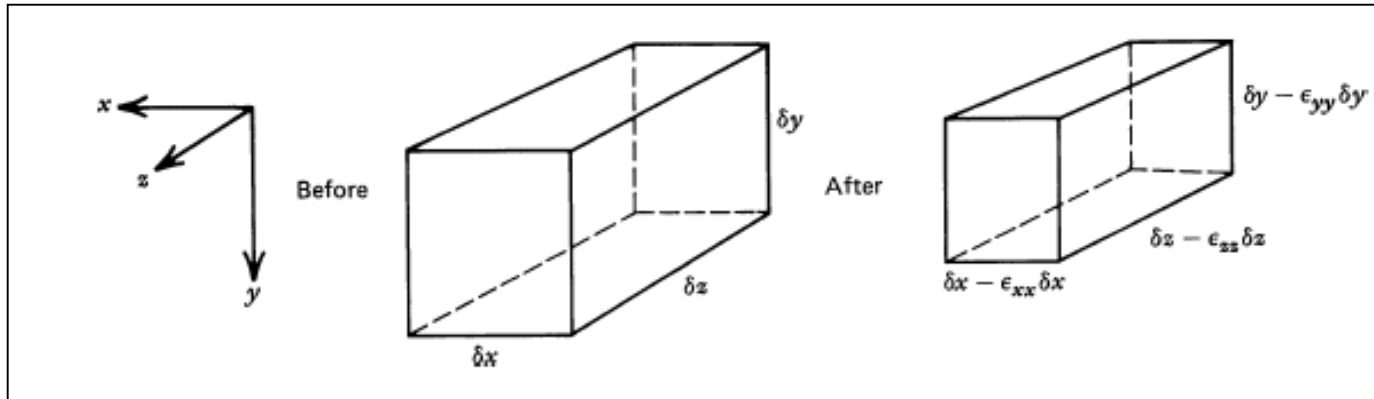
$$\Theta_x = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$\Theta_y = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\Theta_z = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)$$



$$2\underline{\Theta} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{u}$$



In three dimensions. Prior to deformation it has sides  $\delta x$ ,  $\delta y$ , and  $\delta z$ . The element may be deformed by changing the dimensions of its sides while maintaining its shape in the form of a rectangular parallelepiped. After deformation, the sides of the element are  $\delta x - \epsilon_{xx} \delta x$ ,  $\delta y - \epsilon_{yy} \delta y$ , and  $\delta z - \epsilon_{zz} \delta z$ .

The quantity  $\epsilon_{xx}$ ,  $\epsilon_{yy}$ ,  $\epsilon_{zz}$  are called normal components of strain. The normal components of strain  $\epsilon_{xx}$ ,  $\epsilon_{yy}$ ,  $\epsilon_{zz}$  are assumed, by convention, to be positive if the deformation shortens the length of a side. This is consistent with the convention that treats compressive stresses as positive.





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The elongation  $(\delta u, \delta v, \delta w)$  of any point  $(\delta x, \delta y, \delta z)$  can be expressed – at the first order – by:

$$\delta u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \delta x + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \delta z$$

$$\delta v = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \delta x + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \delta z$$

$$\delta w = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \delta x + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \delta z$$

The equations can be written in vectorial form (matrices) dividing a symmetric part (strains) from an antisymmetric one (rotations):

$$(\delta u, \delta v, \delta w) = \begin{pmatrix} e_{xx} & e_{xy} & e_{xz} \\ e_{xy} & e_{yy} & e_{yz} \\ e_{xz} & e_{yz} & e_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \delta_x \\ \delta_y \\ \delta_z \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\Theta_z & \Theta_y \\ \Theta_z & 0 & -\Theta_x \\ -\Theta_y & \Theta_x & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \delta_x \\ \delta_y \\ \delta_z \end{pmatrix} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \delta \underline{u} = (\underline{e} + \underline{\Theta}) \delta \underline{x}$$

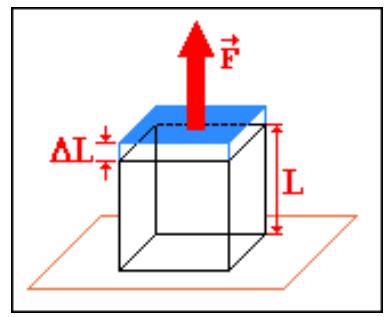
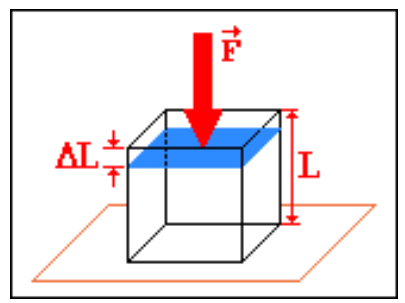
The strain is an a-dimensional quantity! Generally, in seismology, the strain due to a seismic wave is about  $10^{-6}$ .



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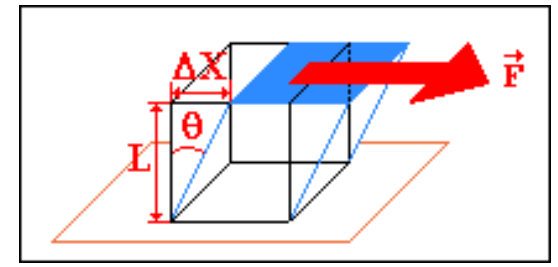
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Normal strain:  
Length changes



$$\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta l}{l}$$

Shear strain:  
Shape changes



$$\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta x}{L} = \text{tg} \Theta$$



The fractional change in volume (volume change divided by original volume) due to strain is known as the dilatation  $\Delta$ ; it is positive if the volume of the element is decreased by compression. The original volume of parallelepiped is  $V = \delta x \delta y \delta z$ . After deformation (at first approximation) the volume is:

$$V + \delta V = (1 + e_{xx})\delta x(1 + e_{yy})\delta y(1 + e_{zz})\delta z$$

The dilatation is:

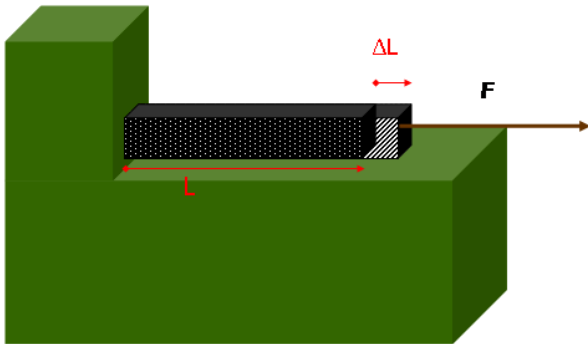
$$\Delta = \frac{V + \delta V - V}{V} = \frac{1}{\delta x \delta y \delta z} \left[ (1 + e_{xx})(1 + e_{yy})(1 + e_{zz})\delta x \delta y \delta z - \delta x \delta y \delta z \right]$$

If the deformation of the element is so small that squares and higher order products of the strain components can be neglected in computing the change in volume of the element, we obtain:

$$\Delta = e_{xx} + e_{yy} + e_{zz} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{u}$$

The dilatation is equal to the divergence of displacement.

Usually you want to calculate the deformation having the known stress. **Hooke** proposed that, for small deformations, each deformation is proportional to the stress that it causes: this is Hooke's law that is the **basis of the theory of elasticity**. In other words, Hooke's Law is the relationship of **proportionality between stress and strain**.



If a traction (compression) is applied to a body, the body itself is subject to an elongation (shortening). By Hooke's law:

$$F \propto \Delta L$$

The proportionality constant depends on the material, temperature, geometrical characteristics of the object (body).



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In a one dimension the **Hooke's law** can be written:

$$\sigma_{xx} = c e_{xx}$$

Where  $c$  the constant depending on the medium.

In three dimensions each of **six components** of the **stress tensor** can be linearly dependent on the **six components** of the **strain tensor**

$$\sigma_{xx} = c_1 e_{xx} + c_2 e_{xy} + c_3 e_{xz} + c_4 e_{yy} + c_5 e_{yz} + c_6 e_{zz}$$

.....

$$\sigma_{zz} = c_{31} e_{xx} + c_{32} e_{xy} + c_{33} e_{xz} + c_{34} e_{yy} + c_{35} e_{yz} + c_{36} e_{zz}$$

We have **36 constants**.

By the **symmetry of the stress** and strain tensors and by a **thermodynamic condition**, the number of independent constants is **21**.



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If we consider an **isotropic medium** ( that is its properties not change with the direction), the number of **constants** decreases to **two**:

$$\sigma_{xx} = (\lambda + 2\mu)e_{xx} + \lambda e_{yy} + \lambda e_{zz} = \lambda\Delta + 2\mu e_{xx}$$

$$\sigma_{yy} = \lambda\Delta + 2\mu e_{yy}$$

$$\sigma_{zz} = \lambda\Delta + 2\mu e_{zz}$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = \sigma_{yx} = 2\mu e_{xy}$$

$$\sigma_{xz} = \sigma_{zx} = 2\mu e_{xz}$$

$$\sigma_{yz} = \sigma_{zy} = 2\mu e_{yz}$$

Or in tensorial form:

$$\sigma_{ij} = \lambda\Delta\delta_{ij} + 2\mu e_{ij}$$

With  $\delta_{ij}$  unit tensor ( $\delta_{ij} = 1$  per  $i=j$  ;  $\delta_{ij} = 0$  per  $i \neq j$ ).

The constants  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are known as **Lamè's** parameters. The constant  $\mu$  ( $\mu = \sigma_{xy} / 2e_{xx}$ ) give a measurement of the resistance of a body to a shear stress, and is called **shear modulus** or **rigidity modulus**. Obviously the shear modulus for a liquid or gas is null. There are also other constants: **Young modulus**, **Poisson modulus**, **Poisson ratio** and **Bulk'** modulus.

According to Hooke's law, when a body deforms elastically, there is a linear relationship between stress and strain. The ratio of stress to strain defines an elastic constant (or elastic modulus) of the body. The elastic moduli, defined for different types of deformation, are **Young's modulus**, the **rigidity modulus**, the **bulk modulus** and the **Poisson's ratio**

## MODULO DI YOUNG

**Young's modulus** is defined from the **extensional deformations**. Each longitudinal strain is proportional to the corresponding stress component. If we apply a stress  $\sigma_{xx}$  we have elongation  $du$  along the  $x$  axis and shortenings  $dv$  and  $dw$  along  $y$  and  $z$ . The extension is proportional to  $\sigma_{xx}$  and to length  $dx$ ; is inversely proportional to the resistance of the material:

$$du = \frac{\sigma_{xx} dx}{E}$$

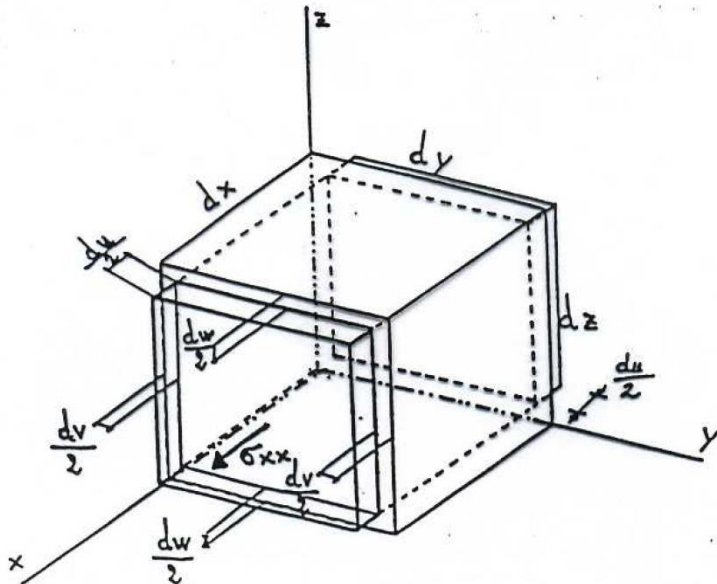
To obtain the relationship between  $E$  and the Lamé constants  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  we write  $\sigma_{xx}$  and  $e_{xx}$  using  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$ . Because only  $\sigma_{xx}$  is different by zero:

$$\sigma_{xx} = \lambda \Delta + 2\mu e_{xx}$$

$$0 = \lambda \Delta + 2\mu e_{yy}$$

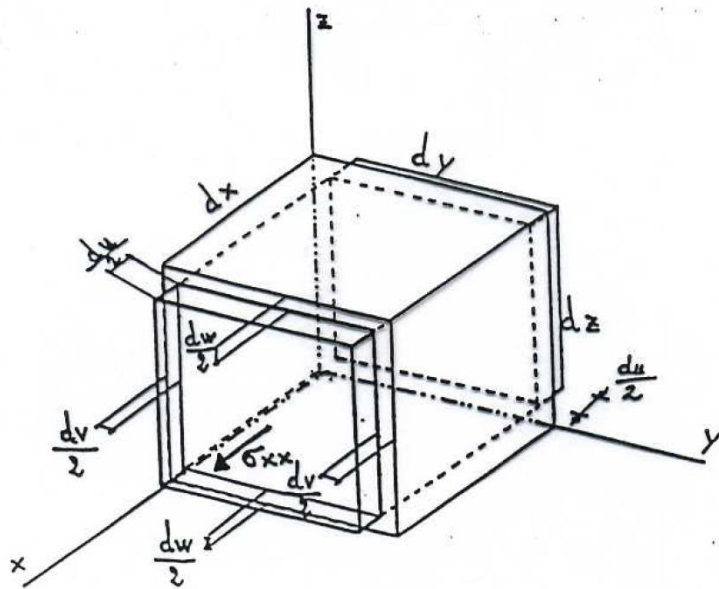
$$0 = \lambda \Delta + 2\mu e_{zz}$$

$$0 = e_{xy} = e_{xz} = e_{yz}$$





## MODULO DI YOUNG



Summing the first three equations:

$$\sigma_{xx} = 3\lambda\Delta + 2\mu\Delta$$

And replacing this last equation in the first one:

$$3\lambda\Delta + 2\mu\Delta = \lambda\Delta + 2\mu e_{xx}$$



$$e_{xx} = (\lambda + \mu) \frac{\Delta}{\mu}$$

So the Young's modul is

$$E = \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{e_{xx}} = \frac{(3\lambda + 2\mu)\Delta\mu}{(\lambda + \mu)\Delta} = \frac{(3\lambda + 2\mu)}{\lambda + \mu}$$

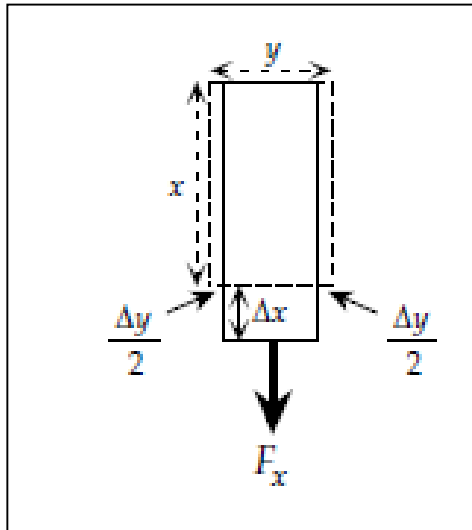
The Young's modul, as Lamé' parameters, is dimensionally like a stress and has large value , as  $10^{10}$  Pa.



## POISSON RATIO

In an elastic body the transverse strains  $e_{yy}$  and  $e_{zz}$  are not independent of the strain  $e_{xx}$ . Consider the change of shape of the bar in Figure. When it is stretched parallel to the  $x$ -axis, it becomes thinner parallel to the  $y$ -axis and parallel to the  $z$ -axis. The transverse longitudinal strains  $e_{yy}$  and  $e_{zz}$  are of opposite sign but proportional to the extension  $e_{xx}$  and can be expressed as:

$$e_{yy} = -\nu e_{xx} \quad \text{and} \quad e_{zz} = -\nu e_{xx}$$



The constant of proportionality  $\nu$  is called **Poisson's** ratio. The values of the elastic constants of a material constrain  $\nu$  to lie between 0 (no lateral contraction) and a maximum value of 0.5 (no volume change) for an incompressible fluid. In very hard, rigid rocks like granite  $\nu$  is about 0.45, while in soft, poorly consolidated sediments it is about 0.05. In the interior of the Earth,  $\nu$  commonly has a value around 0.24–0.27. A body for which the value of  $\nu$  equals 0.25 is sometimes called an **ideal Poisson body**.



## INCOMPRESSIBILITY MODULUS (BULK' MODULUS)

Consider a body subject to a hydrostatic pressure (e.g. Body immersed in a liquid): the ratio between the pressure and the compression (= negative cubic dilatation) is named Bulk' modulus **K**. For a hydrostatic pressure:

$$\sigma_{xx} = \sigma_{yy} = \sigma_{zz} = -p$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = \sigma_{xz} = \sigma_{yz} = 0$$

That is

$$\lambda\Delta + 2\mu e_{xx} = -p$$

$$\lambda\Delta + 2\mu e_{yy} = -p$$

$$\lambda\Delta + 2\mu e_{zz} = -p$$

Adding these three equations



$$3\lambda\Delta + 2\mu\Delta = -3p$$

So we have

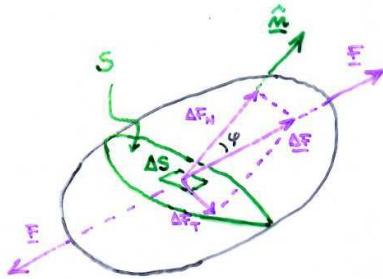
$$K = \frac{\text{pressure}}{\text{compression}} = \frac{\text{pressure}}{-\text{dilatation}} = \frac{-p}{\Delta} = \lambda + \frac{2}{3}\mu$$

**K** represents the resistance opposed by a medium to an increasing of hydrostatic pressure. The Young' and Bulk' modulus, the Lamè parameters are all positive. They are measured in  $\text{Nm}^{-2}=\text{Pa}$  and their values for rocks are usually ranged from 20 to 120 Gpa.



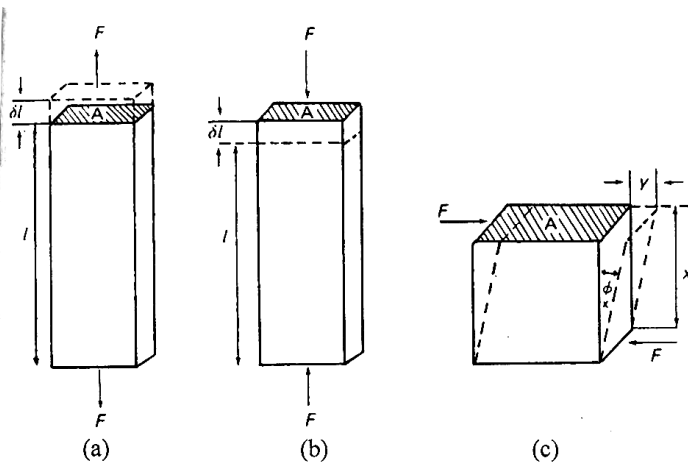
## SUMMARIZING...

The application of a force creates a state of stress which causes a deformation in the structure of the body. The stress is the relationship between the force and the surface on which it acts



$$\underline{\sigma} = \lim_{\Delta S \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta F}{\Delta S} = \frac{dF}{dS} = \underline{\sigma}(\hat{n}) = T(\hat{n})$$

There are three kind of stress: **traction** (a), **compression** (b) and **shear** (c).



When the force acts normal to surface causes the traction or the compression. Instead if the force acts parallel to the surface causes a shear stress. The unit is Pascal ( $1\text{Pa}=1\text{Nm}^{-2}$ ).



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A stress that acts on a body causes a change in dimensions and shape of the body itself.

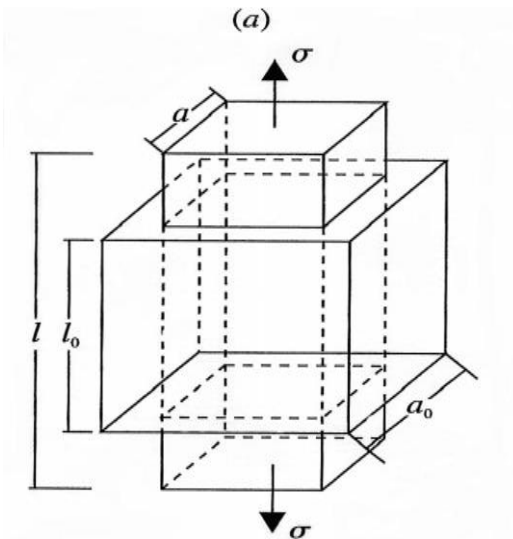
Traction or compression



Normal deformation



$$\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta l}{l_0} = \frac{l - l_0}{l_0}$$



where  $l$  and  $l_0$  are the body dimension in stress direction first and after its action.

$\Delta l$  is the dimensional variation due to the stress. The deformation is adimensional!

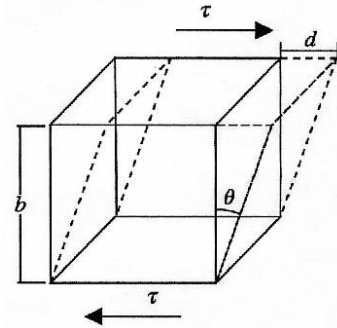


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A stress that acts on a body causes a change in dimensions and shape of the body itself.

Shear stress



Shear strain

$$\varepsilon = \frac{d}{b} = \text{tg}\Theta$$

Both the normal and shear strain depend on the derivative of displacement field.

Convention of the  $\sigma_{ij}$  sign:

| POSITIVE   | NEGATIVE  |
|--|---|
| TENSIVE STRESS (direct to the outside of the body) | COMPRESSIONAL STRESS (direct to the inside of the body) |
| Componet along the positive axis direction         | Componet along the negative axis direction              |

The sign of the  $\sigma_{ij}$  component is equal to the product of the sign above.

Example: the compressional stress component along the negative axis direction is positive because is equal to  $- \times - = +!$



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The **Hooke's** law define a relationship between stress and strain. For a isotropic body:

$$\sigma_{ij} = \lambda \theta \delta_{ij} + 2\mu \varepsilon_{ij}$$

where  **$\mu$  and  $\lambda$**  are di **Lame's** parameters,  $\theta$  is the cubic dilation and  $\delta_{ij}$  is the **Kronecker** delta.

The **Lame's** parameters have the stress dimensions (Mpa).

The dilation is the divergence of the displacement:  $\Delta = \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{u}$

The **Kronecker** delta is a unit tensor:  $\delta_{ij} = 1$  per  $i=j$  ;  $\delta_{ij} = 0$  per  $i \neq j$ .



## ELASTIC PARAMETERS

### Rigidity:

resistance of the medium to shear (N/m<sup>2</sup>)



$$\mu = \frac{\sigma_{ij}}{2\epsilon_{ij}}$$

### Young modulus:

Stress dimension (MPa)



$$E = \frac{(3\lambda + 2\mu)\mu}{\lambda + \mu}$$

### Poisson ratio:

Is adimensional and ranged between 0 and 0.5. For liquid ( $\mu=0$ )  $\sigma=0.5$ , for compact rocks  $\sigma=0.05$ . the average value for rocks is 0.25 that correspond to  $\lambda=\mu$  that is Poisson ratio.



$$\sigma = \frac{\lambda}{2(\lambda + \mu)}$$

### Bulk Modulus (or imcompressibility):

is the relationship between applied pressure and volume variation.



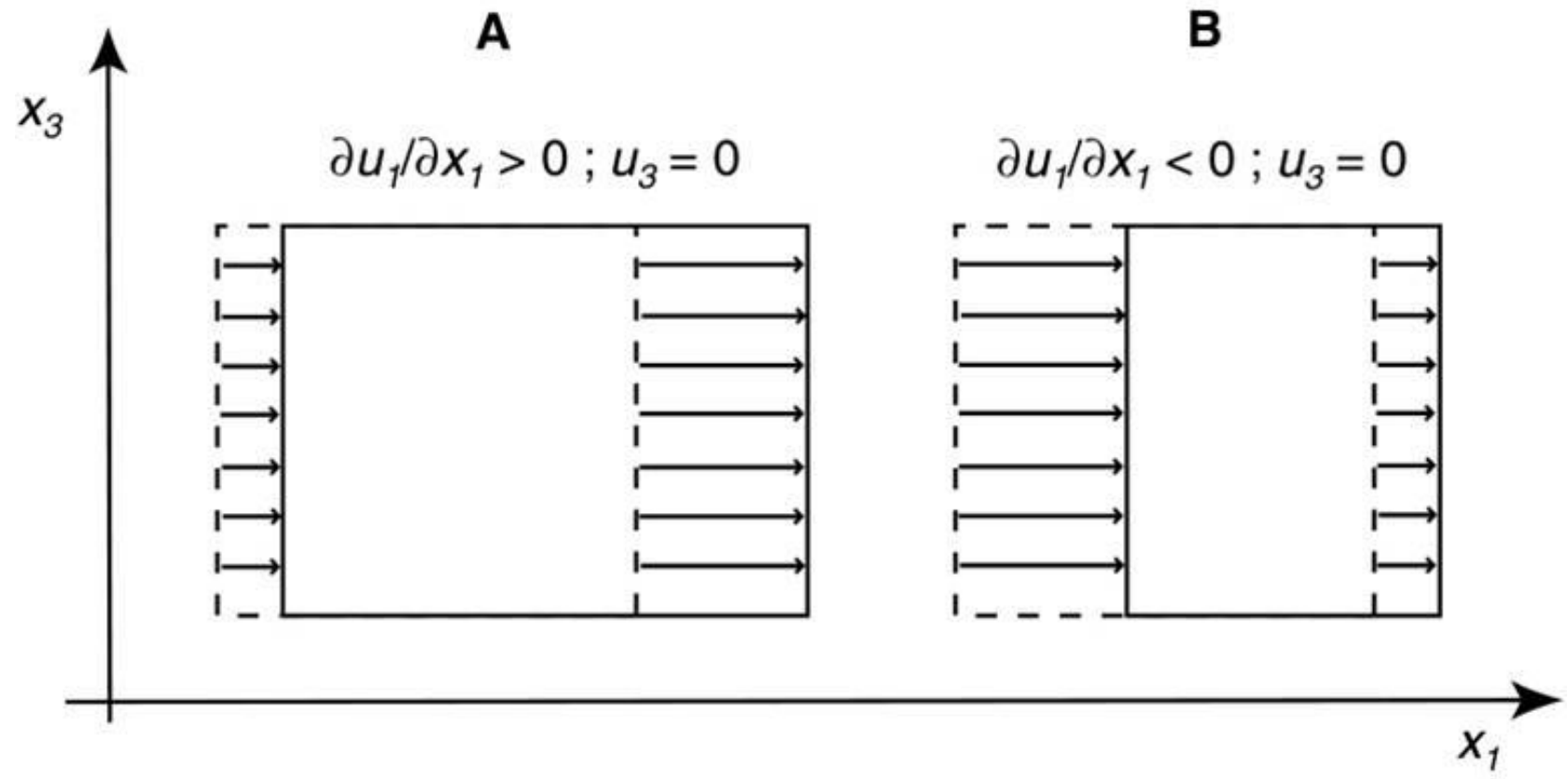
$$k = -\frac{P}{\Delta} = \lambda + \frac{2}{3}\mu$$



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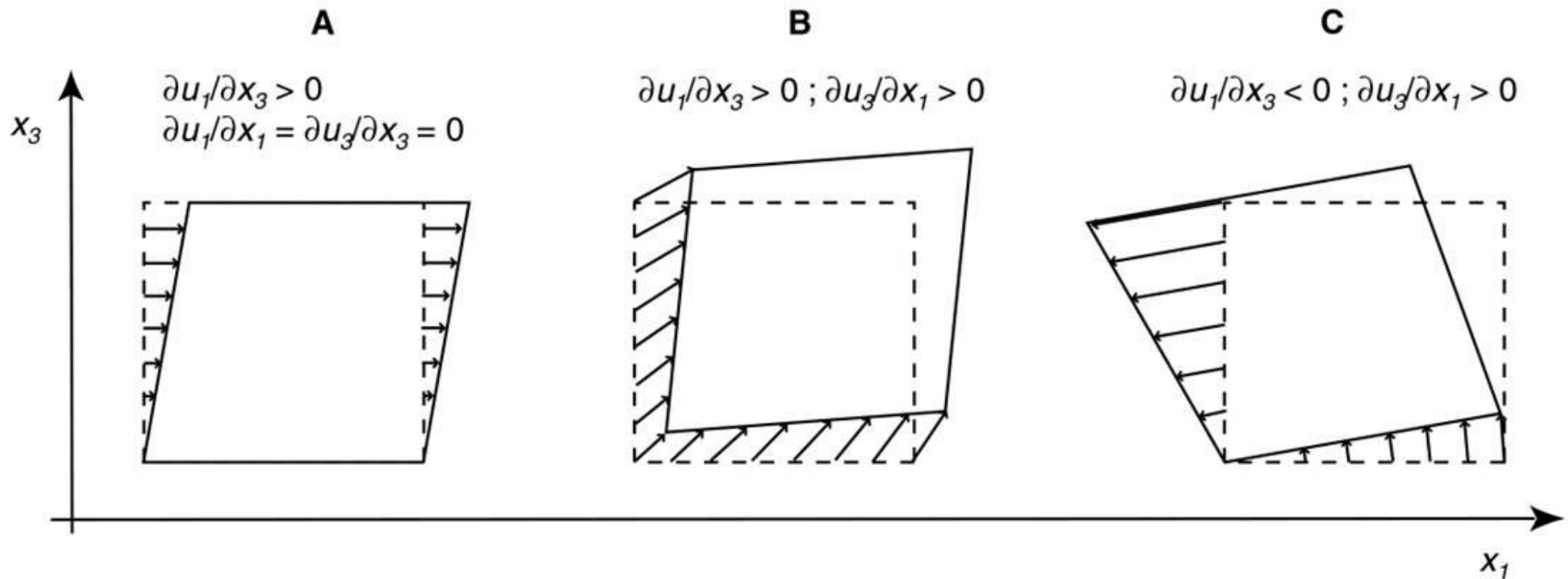




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