



Mechanics of Materials I: Fundamentals of Stress & Strain and Axial Loading

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Module 33 Learning Outcome

 For a given set of plane strain conditions at a point, determine the Principal Strains, Principle Planes, and Maximum Shear Strain using Mohr's Circle



Plane Strain Mohr's Circle

Graphical tool for the depiction of the transformation equations for plane stress

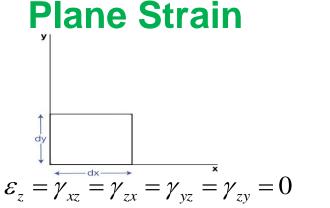
$$\left(\varepsilon_{n} - \frac{\varepsilon_{x} + \varepsilon_{y}}{2}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2} - 0\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{x} - \varepsilon_{y}}{2}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2}\right)^{2}$$

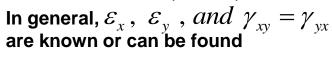
Radius =
$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{\varepsilon_x - \varepsilon_y}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma_{xy}}{2}\right)^2}$$

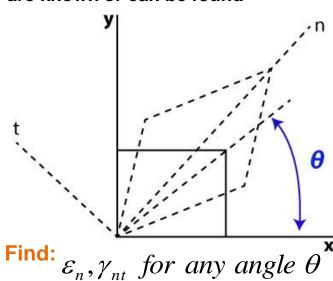
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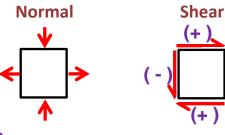
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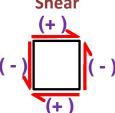
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Mohr's Circle **Sign Convention**



- (+) Tension
- Compression



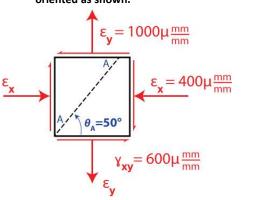
Clockwise

Counterclockwise (-)

Example

The measured strain components at a point in a body under a state of plane strain are shown. Using Mohr's circle, find:

- The principal strains and the maximum shear strain at that point, and find the orientation of the principal planes
- The normal and shear strains on plane AA oriented as shown.



$$\left(\mathcal{E}_{n}\right)$$

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