



# **Mechanics of Materials I:**

## **Fundamentals of Stress & Strain and Axial Loading**

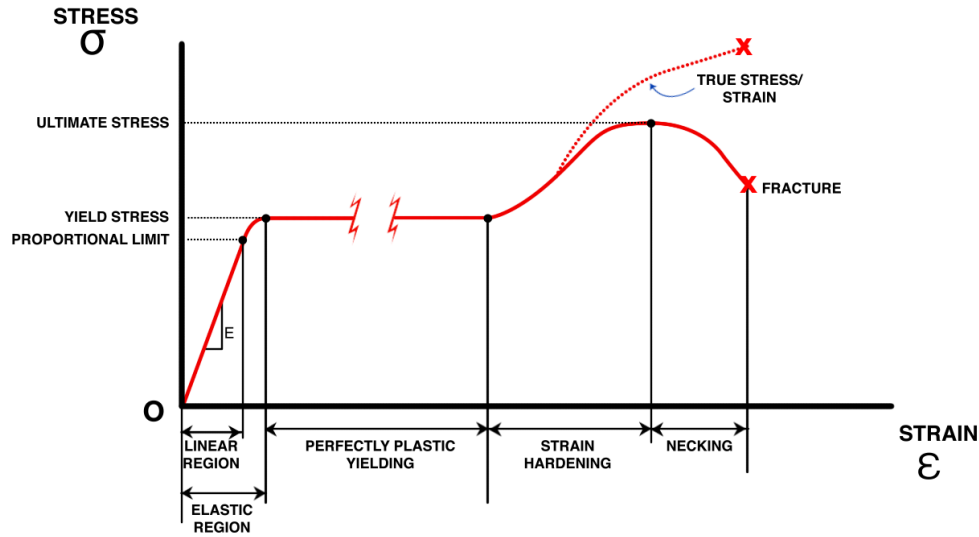
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## Module 38 Learning Outcomes

- Define Isotropic materials
- Develop Generalized Hooke's Law for Isotropic Materials

# Normal Stress-Strain Diagram



## Material Properties

**Stiffness:**  $E$  = Modulus of Elasticity  
= Young's Modulus

**Hooke's Law** (valid for linear elastic region):

$$\sigma = E \epsilon$$

# Hooke's Law

## (Normal Stress-Strain; Uniaxial Loading)

$$\sigma = E \varepsilon$$

Can be extended for use in more engineering applications for situations involving biaxial and triaxial loading

Recall Hooke's Law assumed elastic behavior

Let's add another common assumption that the material is isotropic

Isotropic is defined as having the same material properties in all directions

Young's modulus,  $E$ , such that  $E_x = E_y = E_z = E$

And Poisson's Ratio,  $\nu$ , such that  $\nu_x = \nu_y = \nu_z = \nu$

### Isotropic material examples

Rubber  
Steel  
Most metals

### Anisotropic material examples

Carbon fiber  
Wood

## Recall Poisson's Ratio



Lateral Strain:  $\varepsilon' = \frac{\delta_{Lateral}}{w_o}$

Longitudinal Strain:  $\varepsilon = \frac{\delta_{Longitudinal}}{L_o}$

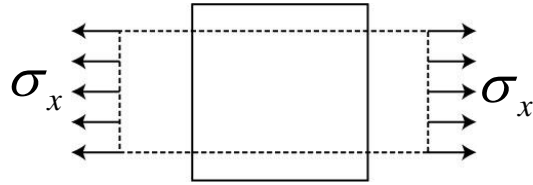
Poisson's ratio:

$$\nu = - \frac{\varepsilon'}{\varepsilon}$$

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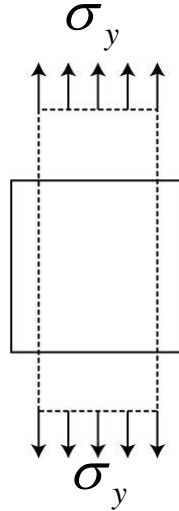
## Consider Biaxial Principal Stresses



$$\nu = - \frac{\varepsilon_y}{\varepsilon_x}$$

$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$$

$$\varepsilon_y = -\nu \varepsilon_x = -\nu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$$

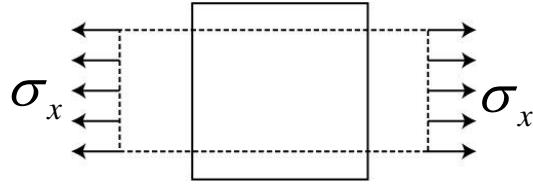


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$$\varepsilon_y = \frac{\sigma_y}{E}$$

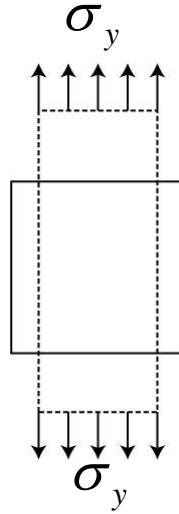
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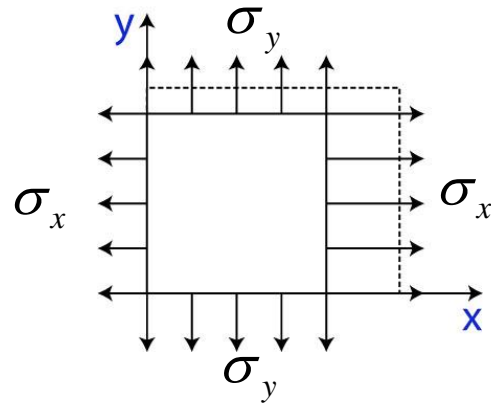
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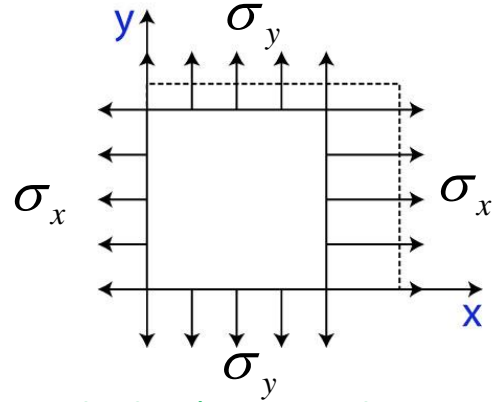
## Combine



$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{\sigma_x}{E} - \nu \frac{\sigma_y}{E}$$

$$\varepsilon_y = \frac{\sigma_y}{E} - \nu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$$

# Consider Biaxial Principal Stresses



$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{\sigma_x}{E} - \nu \frac{\sigma_y}{E}$$

$$\varepsilon_y = \frac{\sigma_y}{E} - \nu \frac{\sigma_x}{E}$$

Multiply 1<sup>st</sup> equation by E

$$\varepsilon_x E = \sigma_x - \nu \sigma_y$$

Multiply 2<sup>nd</sup> equation by E and  $\nu$

$$\nu \varepsilon_y E = \nu \sigma_y - \nu^2 \sigma_x$$

Add

$$\varepsilon_x E + \nu \varepsilon_y E = \sigma_x - \nu^2 \sigma_x$$

$$\sigma_x (1 - \nu^2) = E (\varepsilon_x + \nu \varepsilon_y)$$

Generalized Hooke's Law for Biaxial Stress-Strain for Isotropic Materials

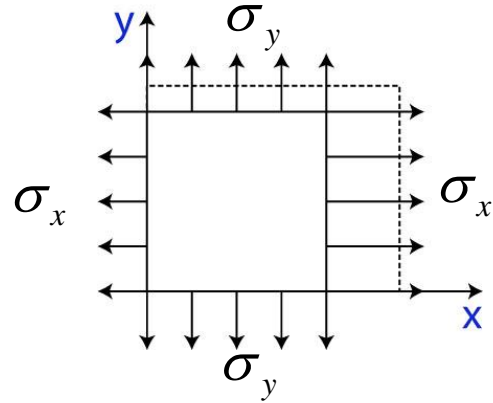
Similarly

$$\sigma_x = \frac{E}{1 - \nu^2} (\varepsilon_x + \nu \varepsilon_y)$$

$$\sigma_y = \frac{E}{1 - \nu^2} (\varepsilon_y + \nu \varepsilon_x)$$



# Generalized Hooke's Law for Biaxial Stress-Strain for Isotropic Materials



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$$\sigma_y = \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} (\epsilon_y + \nu \epsilon_x)$$

**Note:** This development was for principal stress loading. However, for small deformations, recall that normal strains are unaffected by displacements perpendicular to the normal strain direction (such as produced by shear strains). Therefore these equations are valid even when shear stresses exist.

**This development can be extended to triaxial states of stress**