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A 3D HYPOELASTIC CONCRETE CONSTITUTIVE RELATIONSHIP

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INTRODUCTION

In nonlinear finite element analysis of reinforced concrete structures it is necessary to incorporate a multiaxial relationship between stress and strain. Unfortunately this relationship must necessarily be complex if it is to simulate the nonlinear behavior to be expected in real structures. While uniaxial testing is relatively easy to carry out, tests involving biaxial and triaxial response are difficult and there is a scarcity of reliable data upon which to base analytical models. Generally, in literature that attempts to define the failure surface, there is a lack of adequate strain data since these data must be confined to the ascending branch of the stress-strain curves because of the instability attained in tests near peak strengths. Yet it is well known that concrete retains a capacity to resist stress when strained beyond the ultimate strength condition.

This paper is an attempt to develop a nonlinear three-dimensional (axisymmetric) stress-strain relationship for concrete, which incorporates the equivalent uniaxial strain concepts of Darwin, Bashur, and Pecknold (2,4,5), the nonlinear representation of Saenz (12), and the Argyris failure surface (17) in such a way that the relationship correlates well with the best experimental data that the writers were able to find in the literature.

The material model proposed is based on a hypoelastic orthotropic approach. The model is defined in the form of an incremental stress-strain equation in which the material parameters are obtained from stress-"equivalent uniaxial strain" relations.

The paper first presents the assumed form of the incremental-constitutive equations and establishes the shear stiffness in terms of other material constants. A technique for expressing this incremental relationship in terms of incremental

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uniaxial strains is then presented, which gives rise to a natural definition of equivalent uniaxial strains. The form of the relationship between equivalent uniaxial strain and stress is then introduced and this becomes the basis from which the incremental elastic moduli are derived in terms of strain parameters. Poisson's ratios are expressed as determined from the experimental data of Kupfer, Hilsdorf, and Rüschi (8). The remaining parameters required for the definition of the incremental properties, i.e., those describing an ultimate stress surface and those describing the corresponding equivalent uniaxial strain surface, are defined. A technique of computer implementation is briefly described. Finally, the predictions of the model are compared with some of the two-dimensional tests of Kupfer, Hilsdorf, and Rüschi (8) and some of the three-dimensional tests of Schickert and Winkler (14).

FORM OF INCREMENTAL CONSTITUTIVE RELATION

The constitutive relation is intended for use in the analysis of axisymmetric structures and, therefore, the constitutive matrix will be 4×4 . Assuming orthotropy the number of independent material variables is seven, and the matrix, when referred to the orthotropic principal axes, can be written as

$$\begin{Bmatrix} d\epsilon_1 \\ d\epsilon_2 \\ d\epsilon_3 \\ d\gamma_{12} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_1^{-1} & -\nu_{12}E_2^{-1} & -\nu_{13}E_3^{-1} & 0 \\ -\nu_{21}E_1^{-1} & E_2^{-1} & -\nu_{23}E_3^{-1} & 0 \\ -\nu_{31}E_1^{-1} & -\nu_{32}E_2^{-1} & E_3^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & G_{12}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} d\sigma_1 \\ d\sigma_2 \\ d\sigma_3 \\ d\tau_{12} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

in which the subscripts 1, 2, and 3 stand for the axes of orthotropy; ϵ and γ = normal and shearing strain, respectively; E and ν = the orthotropic moduli of elasticity and Poisson's ratios, respectively; G = the shear modulus; σ and τ = normal and shearing stress, respectively; and d indicates a differential.

Symmetry gives rise to the following constraints:

$$\nu_{12}E_1 = \nu_{21}E_2 \quad (2a)$$

$$\nu_{13}E_1 = \nu_{31}E_3 \quad (2b)$$

$$\nu_{23}E_2 = \nu_{32}E_3 \quad (2c)$$

Using Eqs. 2 to write Eq. 1 in an explicitly symmetric form yields

$$\begin{Bmatrix} d\epsilon_1 \\ d\epsilon_2 \\ d\epsilon_3 \\ d\gamma_{12} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{E_1} & \frac{-\mu_{12}}{E_1E_2} & \frac{-\mu_{13}}{E_1E_3} & 0 \\ & \frac{1}{E_2} & \frac{-\mu_{23}}{E_2E_3} & 0 \\ & & \frac{1}{E_3} & 0 \\ \text{symmetrical} & & & \frac{1}{G_{12}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} d\sigma_1 \\ d\sigma_2 \\ d\sigma_3 \\ d\tau_{12} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

which, upon inversion, becomes

$$d\sigma = [C] \{d\epsilon\} \dots \dots \dots (4)$$

in which $\{d\sigma\}$ and $\{d\epsilon\}$ = the vectors of incremental stresses and strains appearing in Eq. 3; the constitutive matrix $[C]$ is

$$[C] = \frac{1}{\phi} \begin{bmatrix} E_1(1 - \mu_{32}^2) & \sqrt{E_1 E_2} (\mu_{13} \mu_{32} + \mu_{12}) & \sqrt{E_1 E_3} (\mu_{12} \mu_{32} + \mu_{13}) & 0 \\ & E_2(1 - \mu_{13}^2) & \sqrt{E_2 E_3} (\mu_{12} \mu_{13} + \mu_{32}) & 0 \\ \text{symmetrical} & & E_3(1 - \mu_{12}^2) & 0 \\ & & & G_{12} \phi \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$$\text{and } \mu_{12}^2 = \nu_{12} \nu_{21} \dots \dots \dots (6a)$$

$$\mu_{23}^2 = \nu_{23} \nu_{32} \dots \dots \dots (6b)$$

$$\mu_{13}^2 = \nu_{13} \nu_{31} \dots \dots \dots (6c)$$

$$\phi = 1 - \mu_{12}^2 - \mu_{23}^2 - \mu_{13}^2 - 2\mu_{12}\mu_{23}\mu_{13} \dots \dots \dots (6d)$$

If one now transforms the matrix $[C]$ to a nonorthotropic set of axes $(1', 2', 3)$ and imposes the requirement that the shear modulus be invariant under this transformation, the result is that

$$G_{12} = \frac{1}{4\phi} [E_1 + E_2 - 2\mu_{12} \sqrt{E_1 E_2} - (\sqrt{E_1} \mu_{23} + \sqrt{E_2} \mu_{31})^2] \dots \dots \dots (7)$$

Upon specializing Eqs. 3 and 4 to a plane stress condition (by setting $d\sigma_3 = 0$ and removing the third row and column) Eq. 7 reduces to the form obtained by Darwin and Pecknold (4).

EQUIVALENT UNIAXIAL STRAIN

With the form of the incremental constitutive relation now defined it remains to describe how the seven incremental hypoelastic moduli are to be determined. The concept of equivalent uniaxial strains, as developed by Darwin and Pecknold (4), which defines the variation of E_1 , E_2 , and E_3 with respect to the variation of stress, is used herein. The technique may be described as follows.

Let Eq. 4 be written as

$$\begin{Bmatrix} d\sigma_1 \\ d\sigma_2 \\ d\sigma_3 \\ d\tau_{12} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_1 B_{11} & E_1 B_{12} & E_1 B_{13} & 0 \\ E_2 B_{21} & E_2 B_{22} & E_2 B_{23} & 0 \\ E_3 B_{31} & E_3 B_{32} & E_3 B_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & G_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} d\epsilon_1 \\ d\epsilon_2 \\ d\epsilon_3 \\ d\gamma_{12} \end{Bmatrix} \dots \dots \dots (8)$$

in which the coefficients B_{ij} can be defined by identifying the matrix terms of Eq. 8 with the corresponding terms in Eq. 5.

Carrying out the multiplication in Eq. 8 yields

$$d\sigma_1 = E_1(B_{11} d\epsilon_1 + B_{12} d\epsilon_2 + B_{13} d\epsilon_3) \dots \dots \dots (9a)$$

$$d\sigma_2 = E_2(B_{21} d\epsilon_1 + B_{22} d\epsilon_2 + B_{23} d\epsilon_3) \dots \dots \dots (9b)$$

$$d\sigma_3 = E_3(B_{31} d\epsilon_1 + B_{32} d\epsilon_2 + B_{33} d\epsilon_3) \dots \dots \dots (9c)$$

$$d\tau_{12} = G_{12} d\gamma_{12} \quad \dots \dots \dots (9d)$$

which may be written, in matrix form, as

$$\begin{Bmatrix} d\sigma_1 \\ d\sigma_2 \\ d\sigma_3 \\ d\tau_{12} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & G_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} d\epsilon_{1u} \\ d\epsilon_{2u} \\ d\epsilon_{3u} \\ d\gamma_{12} \end{Bmatrix} \quad \dots \dots \dots (10)$$

The vector on the right-hand side of Eq. 10 may be defined as the vector of "equivalent incremental uniaxial strains," whose components are defined in terms of actual incremental strains by identifying with the appropriate terms of Eqs. 9, as

$$d\epsilon_{iu} = B_{i1} d\epsilon_1 + B_{i2} d\epsilon_2 + B_{i3} d\epsilon_3; \quad i = 1, 3 \quad \dots \dots \dots (11)$$

[Hereinafter the subscripts i and j (only) will be understood to have a range of 3. The summation convention is not used.]

The incremental equivalent uniaxial strains, which can be positive or negative, may be evaluated from Eq. 10 in the simple form

$$d\epsilon_{iu} = \frac{d\sigma_i}{E_i} \quad \dots \dots \dots (12)$$

and the total equivalent uniaxial strain may be determined by integrating Eq. 12 over the load path to yield

$$\epsilon_{iu} = \int \frac{d\sigma_i}{E_i} \quad \dots \dots \dots (13)$$

As can be seen from Eq. 3, the incremental uniaxial strain of Eq. 12 is the increment of strain in direction i that the material would exhibit if subjected to a (uniaxial) stress increment $d\sigma_i$ with other stress increments equal to zero. However, $d\epsilon_{iu}$ depends on the current stress ratio, and ϵ_{iu} and $d\epsilon_{iu}$ do not transform in the same manner as stress. Both are fictitious (except in a uniaxial test) and are only significant as a measure on which to base the variation of material parameters.

Eqs. 9a, 9b, and 9c are defined in the material principal axes of orthotropy. If these are assumed to follow the current principal axes of total stress it follows immediately that $d\epsilon_{iu}$ must be defined with respect to the current principal axes of orthotropy. This last statement implies a similarity between equivalent strain parameters in elasto-plastic analyses and equivalent uniaxial strains. Finally, since the ϵ_{iu} are not transformable, they are assumed to be defined only in the current principal stress directions.

The proposed constitutive relationship, based on the concept of equivalent uniaxial strains, can be summarized as

$$d\sigma = F(d\epsilon, \int d\sigma) \quad \dots \dots \dots (14)$$

in which F implies a functional relationship. This relationship is path-dependent and, while it may not be as rigorous, it bears strong resemblance to the hypoelastic law proposed by Truesdell (16). Thus, some authors (1,15) use the term hypoelastic to describe this as well as similar approaches (3,7,9,10,11,13).

EQUIVALENT UNIAXIAL STRAIN-STRESS RELATION

In the hypoelastic approach developed by Truesdell (16) the stress-strain relationship follows from the incremental constitutive equations. In this case, the stress-strain relationship is problem-dependent. The approach used herein follows that of Darwin and Pecknold (4) and assumes the total stresses to be functions of current equivalent uniaxial strains. This assumption permits the evaluation of the incremental elastic moduli of Eq. 10 in the manner described in the following.

For the purposes of this work, the uniaxial compressive stress-strain relationship of Saenz (12) will be generalized, in a manner similar to that proposed by Bashur and Darwin (2), and used to describe both tensile and compressive response. Writing the Saenz relation in terms of equivalent uniaxial strain yields

$$\sigma_i = \frac{E_0 \epsilon_{iu}}{1 + (R + R_E - 2) \frac{\epsilon_{iu}}{\epsilon_{ic}} - (2R - 1) \left(\frac{\epsilon_{iu}}{\epsilon_{ic}} \right)^2 + R \left(\frac{\epsilon_{iu}}{\epsilon_{ic}} \right)^3} \quad (15)$$

in which the following definitions apply

$$R_E = \frac{E_0}{E_s} \quad (16a)$$

$$E_s = \frac{\sigma_{ic}}{\epsilon_{ic}} \quad (16b)$$

$$R_\sigma = \frac{\sigma_{ic}}{\sigma_{if}} \quad (16c)$$

$$R_\epsilon = \frac{\epsilon_{if}}{\epsilon_{ic}} \quad (16d)$$

$$R = R_E \frac{R_\sigma - 1}{(R_\epsilon - 1)^2} - \frac{1}{R_\epsilon} \quad (16e)$$

The type of curve described by Eq. 15 is shown in Fig. 1, in which the variables appearing in the definitions of Eqs. 15 and 16 are presented. More specifically, E_0 = the initial modulus of elasticity; σ_{ic} = the maximum stress, associated with direction i , that occurs for the current particular principal stress ratio; ϵ_{ic} = the corresponding equivalent uniaxial strain; and σ_{if} , ϵ_{if} = the coordinates of some point on the descending branch of the stress-equivalent strain curve.

Eq. 15 now serves to define the incremental elastic moduli of Eq. 10, for, by Eq. 12

$$E_i = \frac{d\sigma_i}{d\epsilon_{iu}} \quad (17)$$

Differentiating Eq. 15 with respect to ϵ_{iu} yields the right-hand side of Eq. 17 as

$$E_i = E_0 \frac{1 + (2R - 1) \left(\frac{\epsilon_{iu}}{\epsilon_{ic}} \right)^2 - 2R \left(\frac{\epsilon_{iu}}{\epsilon_{ic}} \right)^3}{\left[1 + (R + R_E - 2) \frac{\epsilon_{iu}}{\epsilon_{ic}} - (2R - 1) \left(\frac{\epsilon_{iu}}{\epsilon_{ic}} \right)^2 + R \left(\frac{\epsilon_{iu}}{\epsilon_{ic}} \right)^3 \right]^2} \quad (18)$$

which defines the required moduli.

POISSON'S RATIOS

The incremental elastic moduli of Eqs. 3 and 10 may be determined from Eq. 18 provided that the parameters shown on Fig. 1 are known for the particular ratio of total stresses. (The evaluation of these parameters will be undertaken subsequently.) However, prior to implementing the incremental stress-strain relationship it is also necessary to determine the values of Poisson's ratio appearing in Eqs. 6. Poisson's ratio was determined from the uniaxial compression data

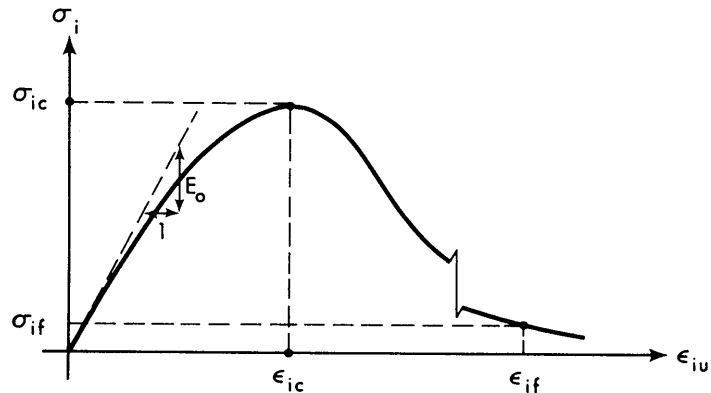


FIG. 1.—Typical Compressive Stress-Equivalent Uniaxial Strain Curve

of the Kupfer, Hilsdorf, and Rüsç tests (8) as a function of strain, by a least-squares fit of a cubic polynomial. This resulted in

$$\nu = \nu_0 \left[1.0 + 1.3763 \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_{cu}} - 5.3600 \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_{cu}} \right)^2 + 8.586 \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_{cu}} \right)^3 \right] \quad (19a)$$

$$\text{or } \nu = \nu_0 f \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_{cu}} \right) \quad (19b)$$

in which ϵ = the strain in the direction of uniaxial loading; $\epsilon_{cu} = \epsilon_{ic}$ for the uniaxial test; ν_0 = the initial value of ν ; and $f(\)$ is the cubic function displayed in Eq. 19a.

It has been assumed that an axially symmetric Poisson's ratio may now be applied to each equivalent uniaxial strain by using Eq. 19b. That is, three independent Poisson's ratios are postulated of the form

$$\nu_i = \nu_0 f\left(\frac{\epsilon_{iu}}{\epsilon_{ic}}\right) \dots \dots \dots (20)$$

Eqs. 6a-6c may now be written as

$$\mu_{12}^2 = \nu_1 \nu_2 \dots \dots \dots (21a)$$

$$\mu_{23}^2 = \nu_2 \nu_3 \dots \dots \dots (21b)$$

$$\mu_{31}^2 = \nu_3 \nu_1 \dots \dots \dots (21c)$$

The variables appearing in the incremental constitutive matrix of Eq. 3 have, therefore, been completely specified, in terms of ν_0 and the parameters required by Eqs. 16.

Prior to examining the evaluation of the parameters in Eqs. 16, however, it should be noted that the variable ϕ of Eq. 6d should always be non-negative. A limiting value of 0.5 has therefore been placed on the values of ν_i determined from Eq. 20. This value corresponds to a limit of zero incremental volume change. Kotsovos and Newmann (6) noted that the point at which this limit is reached corresponds to the onset of "unstable microcrack propagation" that causes the dilatancy phenomenon observed in concrete upon approaching the ultimate strength. It can be argued, however, that dilatancy is observed only when there is a lack of restraint on the geometric deformation of the specimen (see, e.g., Ref. 14) and that placing a maximum limit of 0.5 on Poisson's ratio will yield realistic estimates of stress.

ULTIMATE SURFACES

The evaluation of the variable moduli defined by Eq. 17 requires the specification of the parameters appearing in the right-hand sides of Eqs. 16. Since these parameters vary with each ratio of stresses, this is most conveniently done by specifying a surface in stress space to define the three values of σ_{ic} for each stress ratio, and a surface in uniaxial strain space to define the three values of ϵ_{ic} that corresponds to these σ_{ic} values (recall Fig. 1).

A surface in stress space that defines the ultimate strengths σ_{ic} for any ratio of stresses is usually called a "failure surface." Because this name is somewhat misleading in the context of a material with strain softening behavior, it is proposed to call such a surface an "ultimate strength surface." The five-parameter surface proposed by Argyris (17), and shown in Fig. 2(a), will be used herein to define the ultimate strength surface. The characteristics of this surface are reviewed briefly as follows.

Define the mean normal stress as

$$\sigma_a = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3}{3} \dots \dots \dots (22)$$

and the mean shear stress as

$$\tau_a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{15}} [(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2]^{1/2} \dots \dots \dots (23)$$

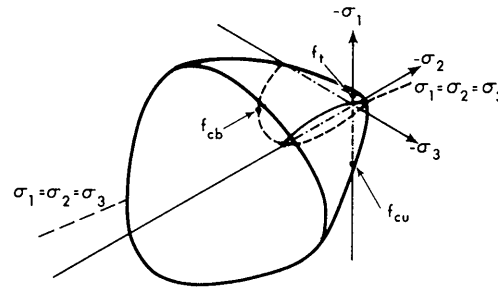
Consider the variables σ_a and τ_a to be nondimensionalized by the uniaxial

compressive strength, f_{cu} , so that

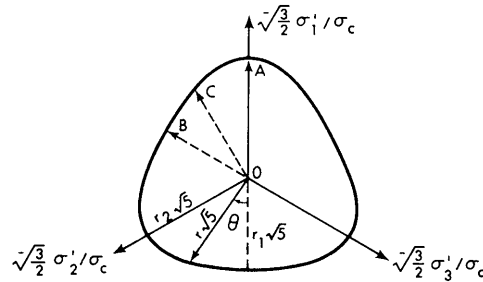
$$\bar{\sigma}_a = \frac{\sigma_a}{f_{cu}} \quad \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

$$\bar{\tau}_a = \frac{\tau_a}{f_{cu}} \quad \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

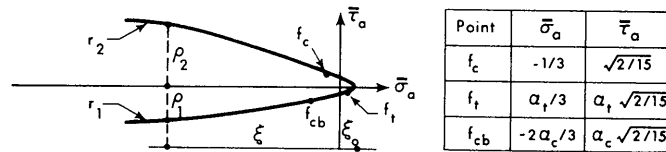
The Argyris surface intersects a deviatoric plane (on which σ_a is constant)



(a) General View of Argyris Failure Surface



(b) A Deviatoric View of Argyris Surface



(c) The Rendulic View of Argyris Surface

FIG. 2.—Argyris Failure Surface

in three symmetric elliptical segments, as indicated in nondimensional stress space in Fig. 2(b), in which the deviatoric stress components are indicated as σ'_i . The segments may be described in terms of the variables r and θ , indicated on Fig. 2(b), in which r identifies with $\bar{\tau}_a$ defined previously and, because of the symmetries involved, θ may be confined to the range $0 \leq \theta \leq 60^\circ$. The

values of r at $\theta = 0$, r_1 , and at $\theta = 60^\circ$, r_2 , are sufficient to define the elliptic curve on any deviatoric plane. For $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \sigma_3$ then $0 \leq \theta \leq 60^\circ$ and Ref. defines θ and r as

$$\theta = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 - 2\sigma_3}{\sqrt{2} [(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2]^{1/2}} \quad (25a)$$

$$r = \frac{2r_2r_{21}\cos\theta + r_2(2r_1 - r_2)(4r_{21}\cos^2\theta + 5r_1^2 - 4r_1r_2)^{1/2}}{4r_{21}\cos^2\theta + (r_2 - 2r_1)^2} \quad (25b)$$

$$\text{which } r_{21} = r_2^2 - r_1^2 \quad (25c)$$

point on the surface can then be characterized by

$$r_a = r(\theta, \bar{\sigma}_a) \quad (25d)$$

The control parameters r_1 and r_2 are assumed to be parabolic functions of the hydrostatic stress and are expressed as

$$r_1 = a_0 + a_1 \bar{\sigma}_a + a_2 \bar{\sigma}_a^2 \quad (26a)$$

$$r_2 = b_0 + b_1 \bar{\sigma}_a + b_2 \bar{\sigma}_a^2 \quad (26b)$$

The functions r_1 and r_2 are shown in Fig. 2(c) where they are plotted on the so-called "rendulic plane."

The values of the coefficients in Eqs. 26 are chosen such that the variables r_1 and r_2 pass through a set of control points, as shown in Fig. 2(c). For $\sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = \sigma_1$, then $\theta = 0^\circ$ [Fig. 2(b)] and the points on the surface trace the variation of r_1 and σ_a varies. This curve must pass through the uniaxial tensile strength point for which $\sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = 0$ and $\sigma_1 = f_t$ (and thus is called the extension branch). It must also pass through the biaxial compression point for which $\sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = f_{cb}$ and $\sigma_1 = 0$. The nondimensional values of the tensile and biaxial compression strengths may be defined as

$$\bar{f}_t = \frac{f_t}{f_{cu}} \quad (27a)$$

$$\bar{f}_{cb} = \frac{f_{cb}}{f_{cu}} \quad (27b)$$

and their approximate positions on the rendulic plane are indicated in Fig. 2(c). One additional point on the extension curve is required to define the parabolic variation of r_1 for Eq. 26a. An arbitrary "high compression" point with $\bar{\sigma}_a = \xi$ may be selected from experimental data to serve this purpose. Let the value of $\bar{\tau}_a$ at this point be ρ_1 , as shown in Fig. 2(c).

To define the variation of r_2 [$\theta = 60^\circ$ on Fig. 2(b)] it is necessary that $r_1 = \sigma_3 \geq \sigma_2$. This curve must pass through the uniaxial compression point $r_1 = \sigma_3 = 0$, $\sigma_2 = -f_{cu}$ (and thus is called the compression branch). It is also required to intersect the hydrostatic curve on the rendulic plane at the same location as the r_1 curve ($\bar{\sigma}_a = \xi_0$), and to pass through the experimental point (ξ, ρ_2) for which ρ_2 is determined in the same manner as ρ_1 .

The values of the coefficients in Eqs. 26 can be determined from the five control points described previously. Expressions for these coefficients are given

in Appendix I (17). The Argyris surface is therefore completely defined and serves to evaluate the three σ_{ic} values required in Eqs. 16 for any ratio of stresses.

However, Eqs. 16 also require the evaluation of the equivalent uniaxial strain ϵ_{ic} , associated with the ultimate strength points, σ_{ic} . For this purpose it is postulated that there is a surface in equivalent uniaxial strain space that has the same form as the Argyris stress surface. It should be remembered that except for uniaxial stress paths, equivalent uniaxial strains are hypothesized.

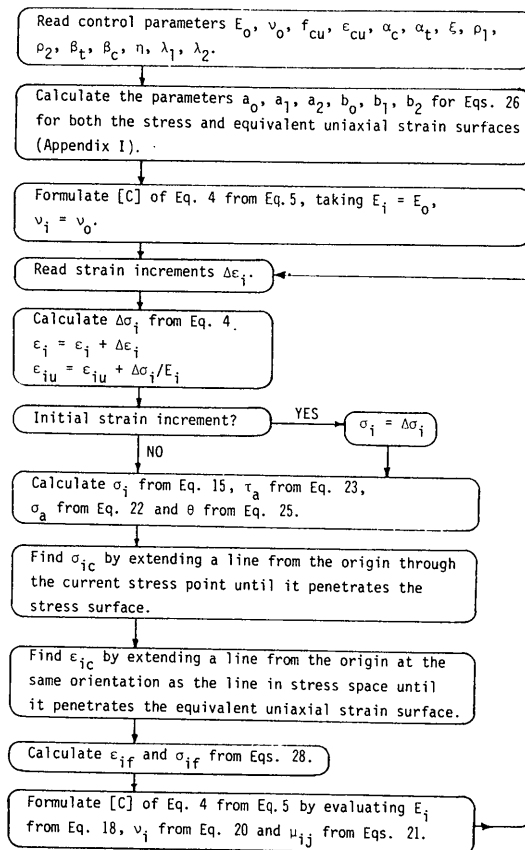


FIG. 3.—Flow Chart for Implementation of Constitutive Equations

quantities. However, we define the analogous strain quantities ϵ_a^* and γ_a^* correspond with σ_a and τ_a , respectively, by replacing σ_1 , σ_2 , and σ_3 in Eqs. 22–23 by ϵ_{1u} , ϵ_{2u} , and ϵ_{3u} , respectively, where the * in the notation implies equivalent uniaxial strain quantities. The analogous nondimensionalization of Eqs. 24 is carried out with ϵ_{cu} , the strain corresponding to the uniaxial compressive strength, replacing f_{cu} in order to determine $\bar{\epsilon}_a^*$ and $\bar{\gamma}_a^*$. Analogous quantities for the strain control points described in association with the stress surface follow directly and Eqs. 25 and 26, together with the equations of Appendix

which may also be used directly with the appropriate changes of variables. Note, however, that uniaxial strains are available from tests only for the control points corresponding to f_t and f_{cu} . Equivalent uniaxial strains at the other three control points are fictitious strains that cannot be observed directly. These points have been determined, herein, by trial and error until reasonable strain correspondence was obtained.

The remaining parameters required by Eqs. 16 are the values of σ_{if} and ϵ_{if} on the descending branch of the stress-equivalent uniaxial strain curve (Fig.

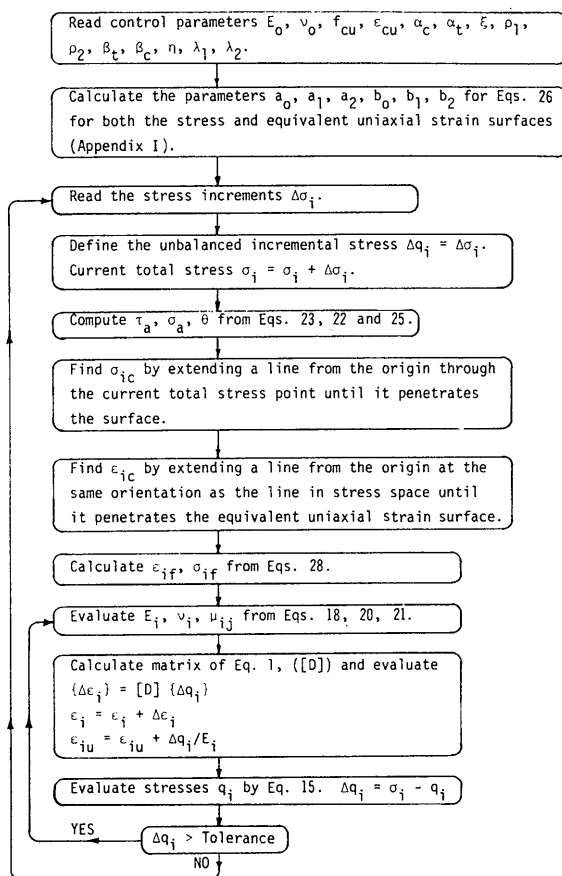


FIG. 4.—Flow Chart for Constitutive Relation to Follow Specified Stress Path

). The definition of these points is not possible on any rigorous experimental basis since the descending branch of the stress-strain curve is highly test-dependent and is generally unavailable from statically determinate tests. This portion of the curve must usually be inferred from the behavior of flexural stress distributions. The following assumptions will be adopted:

$$\epsilon_{if} = 4 \epsilon_{ic} \quad (28a)$$

$$\sigma_{if} = \frac{\sigma_{ic}}{4}$$

The description of the determination of all the material variables required for the implementation of the constitutive relationship is now complete. That, although the development has been carried out in the context of

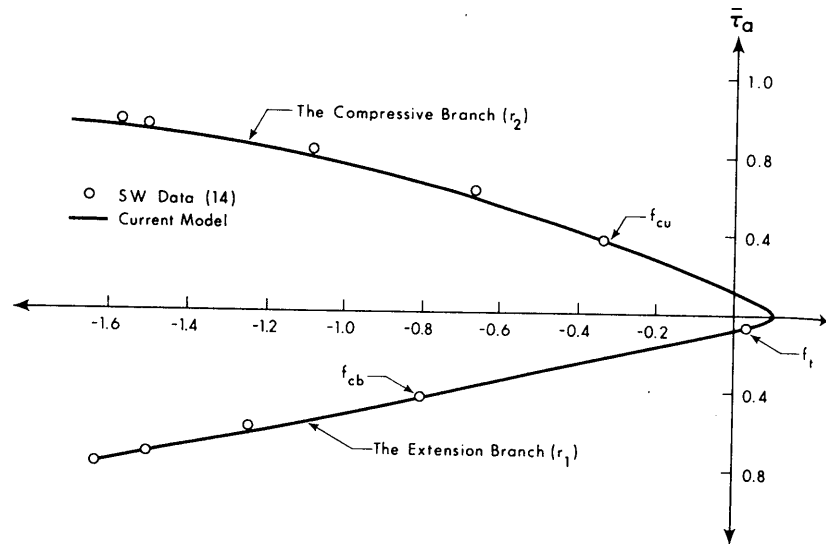


FIG. 5.—Comparison of Curves on Rendulic Plane with Schickert-Winkler Data

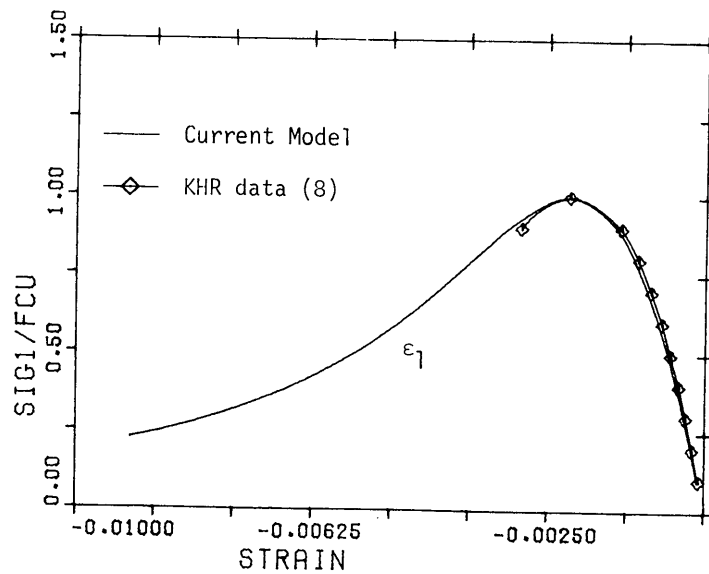


FIG. 6.—Strains for Uniaxial Compression

isymmetric relation, the extension of the technique to the general three-dimensional context is trivial, since this only requires the definition of the additional incremental shear moduli G_{23} and G_{31} that can be determined in the same manner as G_{12} (see Eqs. 7, 20, and 21).

IMPLEMENTATION

The technique of implementing the constitutive relationship is described herein in the context of its usage in an iterative nonlinear finite element program. In such an application, strain increments are imposed and it is required to find the associated stress increments. A flow chart for this application is shown in Fig. 3. The strain input parameters β_c , β_t , η , λ_1 , and λ_2 , appearing in

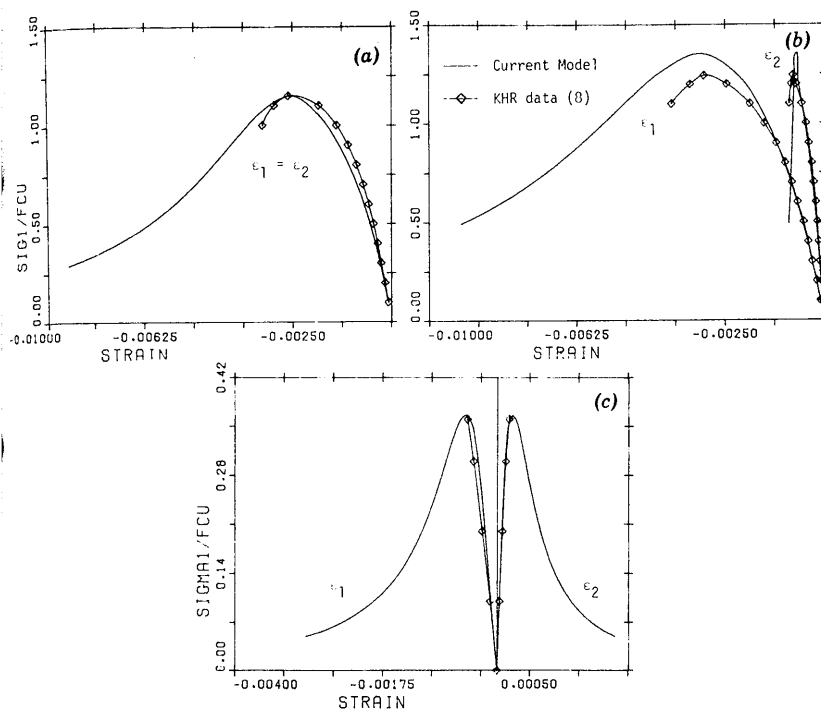


FIG. 7.—Strains for Biaxial Stress Ratio: (a) $-1:-1$; (b) $-1:-0.52$; (c) $-1:0.204$

Fig. 3, have not previously been defined but are analogous to the stress input parameters α_c , α_t , ξ , ρ_1 , and ρ_2 , respectively, defined in the preceding section.

Although Fig. 3 is the normal type of application, it is useful in comparing with experimental results to be able to determine the strains associated with a predefined stress path. A flow chart for this type of application, which requires iteration, is shown in Fig. 4.

VERIFICATION OF MODEL

If the three-dimensional constitutive relationship described herein has validity it should be able to predict strains associated with test results in the literature.

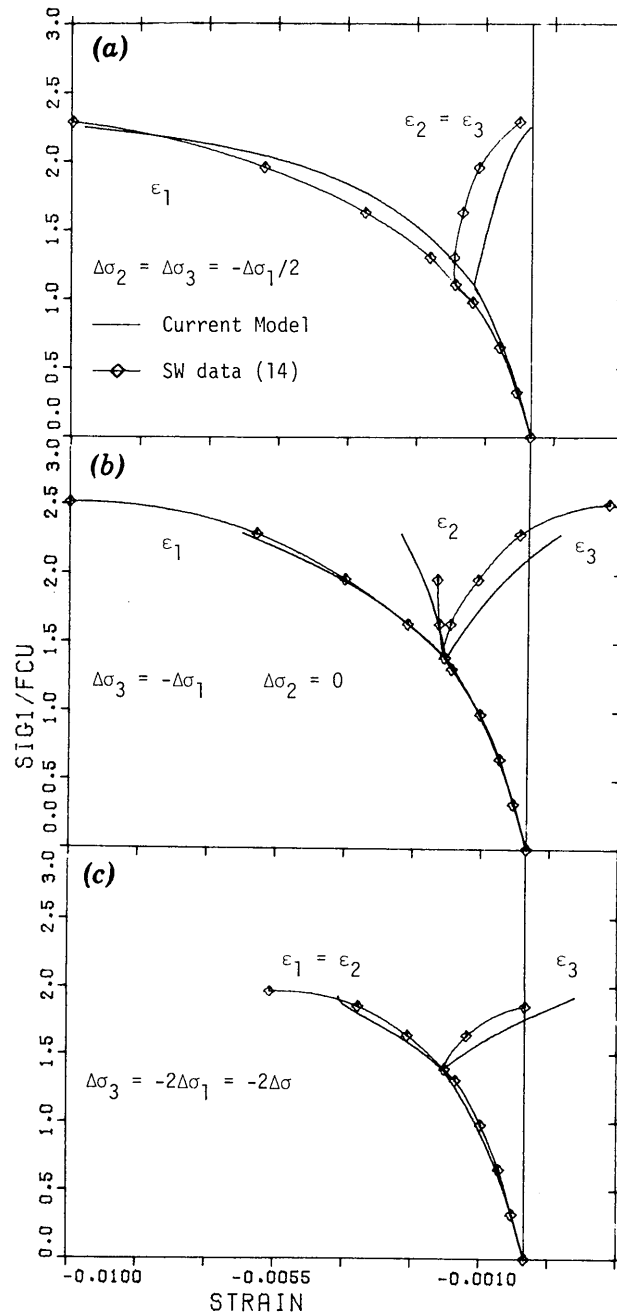


FIG. 8.—Strains for Triaxial Stress Changes: (a) -1:0.5:0.5; (b) -1:0:1; (c) 0.5:0.5:-1

he parameters of Eqs. 26 have been evaluated for control points of the chickert-Winkler data (14). The correspondence of these equations on the endulic plane with the data of Schickert and Winkler is shown in Fig. 5. The alues of r_1 and r_2 are seen to agree suitably with this data set. We now consider stress-strain comparisons with two sets of experimental data.

A comparison of predicted strains with selected sets of measurements by upfer, Hilsdorf, and Rüschi (8), hereinafter referred to as the KHR data, in series of two-dimensional tests is shown in Figs. 6 and 7. The parameters at have been used to model this material are given in Appendix II. Fig. 6 shows the uniaxial compression comparison, and Fig. 7(a) shows the biaxial ompression comparison. Since the peak stresses and corresponding strains are on control points on the surfaces, exact correlation is obtained at these points. Fig. 7(b) shows the comparison for biaxial compression in the ratio of $-1:-0.52$. Since the five-parameter three-dimensional Argyris ultimate strength surface does not predict the same strength as the KHR two-dimensional failure surface, here is a discrepancy of approx 8% in this instance. A comparison of typical esponse in the tension-compression zone is shown in Fig. 7(c).

The preceding comparisons are those of the three-dimensional theory with lane stress tests. A comparison of the theory with some of the three-dimensional ests of Schickert and Winkler (14), hereinafter referred to as the SW data, s shown in Fig. 8. These tests were carried out by loading along a hydrostatic tress path with deviatoric stress equal to zero, and then incrementing the three rincipal stresses in such a way that the hydrostatic stress remained constant hile the deviatoric stress varied. Fig. 8(a) shows results for a deviatoric stress ath along line O-A of Fig. 2(b) ($\theta = 60^\circ$). Fig. 8(b) shows results for a deviatoric tress path along line O-C of Fig. 2(b) ($\theta = 30^\circ$). Fig. 8(c) shows results for deviatoric stress path along line O-B of Fig. 2(b) ($\theta = 0^\circ$).

It can be seen that the model gives a reasonable simulation of the SW xperimental stress-strain response along each of these nontrivial stress paths.

CONCLUSIONS

A three-dimensional constitutive relationship, developed from the concepts dvanced by Darwin, et al. (2, 4, and 5), Saenz (12), and William, et al. (17), as been proposed. A comparison of the proposed theory with two sets of xperimental data indicates that it can give reasonable results, for both tensile nd compressive response, and therefore should be suitable for inclusion in ny finite element program for the nonlinear analysis of reinforced concrete tructures.

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APPENDIX I.—FORMULAS FOR COEFFICIENTS OF EQS. 26

The coefficients of Eqs. 26 are determined from the following formulas (1)

$$\frac{a_2}{9} = \frac{\sqrt{1.2} \xi (\alpha_t - \alpha_c) - \sqrt{1.2} \alpha_t \alpha_c + \rho_1 (2\alpha_c + \alpha_t)}{(2\alpha_c + \alpha_t)(3\xi - 2\alpha_c)(3\xi + \alpha_t)} \quad (2)$$

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{3} (2\alpha_c - \alpha_t) a_2 + \frac{\sqrt{1.2} (\alpha_t - \alpha_c)}{2\alpha_c + \alpha_t} \quad (3)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{3} \alpha_c a_1 - \frac{4}{9} \alpha_c^2 a_2 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{15}} \alpha_c \quad (4)$$

$$\xi_0 = \frac{-a_1 - \sqrt{a_1^2 - 4a_0 a_2}}{2a_2} \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{b_2}{9} = \frac{\rho_2 \left(\xi_0 + \frac{1}{3} \right) - \sqrt{\frac{2}{15}} (\xi_0 + \xi)}{(\xi + \xi_0)(3\xi - 1)(3\xi_0 + 1)} \quad (6)$$

$$b_1 = \left(\xi + \frac{1}{3} \right) b_2 + \frac{\sqrt{1.2} - 3\rho_2}{3\xi - 1} \quad (7)$$

$$b_0 = -\xi_0 b_1 - \xi_0^2 b_2 \quad (8)$$

in which the variables are defined in the body of the paper.

APPENDIX II.—PARAMETERS FOR CONCRETE MODELS

The strength parameters for KHR data (8) are: $f_{cu} = -4,650$ psi; $\alpha_c = 1.15$; $\alpha_t = 0.091$; $r_1 = 0.048835 - 0.513326 (\bar{\sigma}_a) - 0.038292 (\bar{\sigma}_a)^2$; and $r_2 = 0.087961 - 0.909151 (\bar{\sigma}_a) - 0.232785 (\bar{\sigma}_a)^2$.

The deformation parameters for KHR data (8) are: $\epsilon_{cu} = -0.00215$; $\beta_c = 1.7512$; $\beta_t = 0.0461$; $\nu_0 = 0.195$; $E_0 = 4,700,000$ psi; $r_1 = 0.025115 - 0.538802 (\bar{\epsilon}_a^*) - 0.010786 (\bar{\epsilon}_a^*)^2$; and $r_2 = 0.048340 - 1.027311 (\bar{\epsilon}_a^*) - 0.230689 (\bar{\epsilon}_a^*)^2$.

The strength parameters for Schickert-Winkler data (14) are: $f_{cu} = -4,430$ psi; $\alpha_c = 1.21$; $\alpha_t = 0.1$; $r_1 = 0.053627 - 0.512079 (\bar{\sigma}_a) - 0.038226 (\bar{\sigma}_a)^2$; and $r_2 = 0.095248 - 0.891175 (\bar{\sigma}_a) - 0.244420 (\bar{\sigma}_a)^2$.

The deformation parameters for Schickert-Winkler data (14) are: $\epsilon_{cu} = -0.00283$; $\beta_c = 1.3$; $\beta_t = 0.0461$; $\nu_0 = 0.18$; $E_0 = 3,800,000$ psi; $r_1 = 0.025077 - 0.539616 (\bar{\epsilon}_a^*) - 0.024032 (\bar{\epsilon}_a^*)^2$; and $r_2 = 0.045268 - 0.974103 (\bar{\epsilon}_a^*) - 0.043383 (\bar{\epsilon}_a^*)^2$.

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APPENDIX IV.—NOTATION

The following symbols are used in this paper:

- a_0, a_1, a_2 = coefficients of Eq. 26;
 B_{ij} = coefficients in Eqs. 9 and 11;
 b_0, b_1, b_2 = coefficients of Eq. 26;
 $[C], C_{ij}$ = stiffness coefficients in incremental constitutive relation (Eqs. 4 and 5);
 E_i = orthotropic strain-dependent elastic modulus in direction i ;

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- E_0 = initial modulus of elasticity;
 E_s = pseudo-secant modulus of elasticity at peak stress;
 F, f = indicate functions (Eqs. 14 and 19);
 f_{cb} = ultimate strength in biaxial compression;
 f_{cu} = ultimate strength in uniaxial compression;
 f_t = ultimate strength in uniaxial tension;
 G_{ij} = shear moduli;
 i, j = indices with range of three;
 R = ratio of Eq. 16;
 R_E = ratio of moduli E_s/E_0 (Eq. 16a);
 R_ϵ = ratio of strains $\epsilon_{i,f}/\epsilon_{i,c}$ (Eq. 6d);
 R_σ = ratio of stresses $\sigma_{i,c}/\sigma_{i,f}$ (Eq. 16c);
 r = nondimensional mean shear stress on deviatoric plane [Fig. 2(b)];
 r_1, r_2 = nondimensional control parameters on deviatoric plane [(Fig. 2(b))];
 $r_{21} = r_2^2 - r_1^2$;
 u = subscript indicating equivalent uniaxial quantity;
 α_c = nondimensionalized biaxial compressive strength (Eq. 27b);
 α_t = nondimensionalized uniaxial tensile strength (Eq. 27a);
 β_c = nondimensionalized equivalent uniaxial strain at stress point $(f_{cb}, 0)$;
 β_t = nondimensionalized uniaxial strain at stress point $(f_t, 0, 0)$;
 γ_{ij} = shear strain;
 $\gamma_a^*, \tilde{\gamma}_a^*$ = equivalent uniaxial mean shear strain and its nondimensionalized value with respect to ϵ_{cu} ;
 ϵ = normal strain;
 $\epsilon_a^*, \tilde{\epsilon}_a^*$ = equivalent uniaxial mean normal strain and its nondimensionalized value with respect to ϵ_{cu} ;
 ϵ_{cu} = uniaxial compressive strain at stress point $(f_{cu}, 0, 0)$;
 ϵ_i = real strain in direction i ;
 ϵ_{ic} = equivalent uniaxial peak strain in direction i for multiaxial stress condition (Fig. 1);
 $\epsilon_{i,f}$ = equivalent uniaxial strain in direction i for stress $\sigma_{i,f}$ for multiaxial stress condition (Fig. 1);
 ϵ_{iu} = equivalent uniaxial strain in direction i (Fig. 1);
 η = control point for equivalent uniaxial mean strain on rendulic strain plane;
 θ = orientation of stress point on deviatoric plane [Fig. 2(b)];
 λ_1, λ_2 = values of $\tilde{\gamma}_a^*$ at mean strain η for extension branch on rendulic strain plane;
 μ_{ij} = equivalent Poisson's ratios (Eqs. 6 and 21);
 ν = Poisson's ratio;
 ν_i = Poisson's ratio axially symmetric about axis i ;
 ν_{ij} = Poisson's ratios, Eqs. 1 and 2;
 ν_0 = initial value of Poisson's ratios;
 ξ = control value of nondimensionalized mean normal stress;
 ξ_0 = nondimensionalized mean normal stress at zero value of $\bar{\tau}_a$ [Fig. 2(c)];
 ρ_1, ρ_2 = values of $\bar{\tau}_a$ for $\bar{\sigma}_a = \xi$ on rendulic plane;

- $\sigma_a, \bar{\sigma}_a$ = mean normal stress and its nondimensionalized value with respect to f_{cu} (Eqs. 22 and 24);
 σ_i = normal stress in direction i ;
 σ_{ic} = peak stress in direction i for multiaxial stress condition (Fig. 1);
 σ_{if} = stress for equivalent uniaxial strain ϵ_{if} for multiaxial stress condition (Fig. 1);
 σ'_i = deviatoric principal stress;
 $\tau_a, \bar{\tau}_a$ = mean shear stress and its nondimensionalized value with respect to f_{cu} (Eqs. 23 and 24b);
 τ_{ij} = shear stress; and
 ϕ = factor defined in Eq. 6d.

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