

ACSE-2  
*Lecture 6*

Stress and Tensors

# Outline

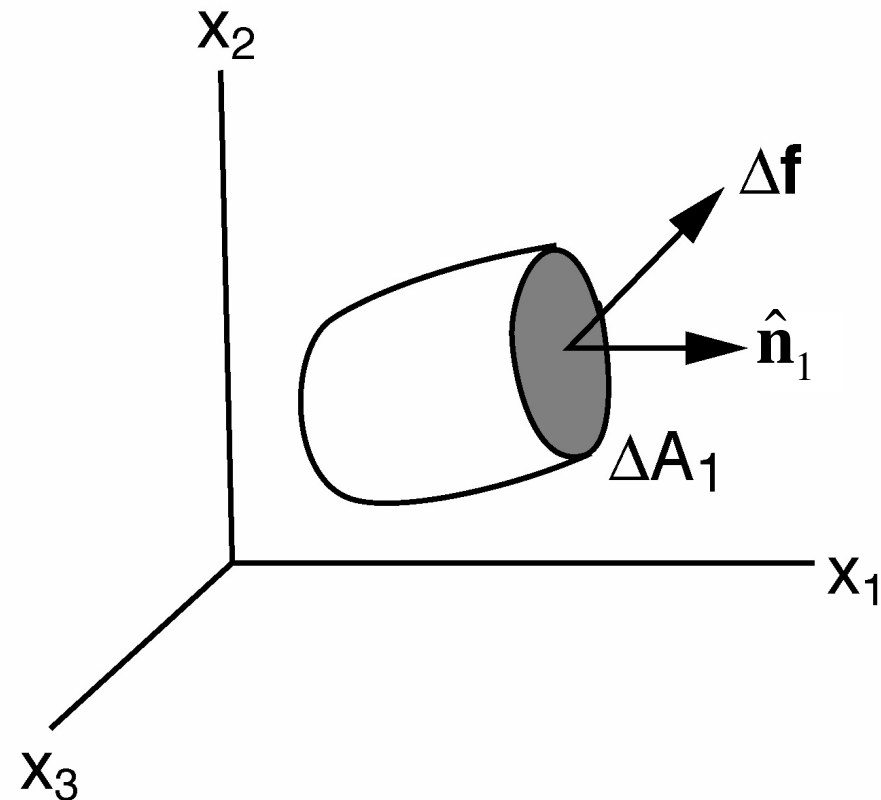
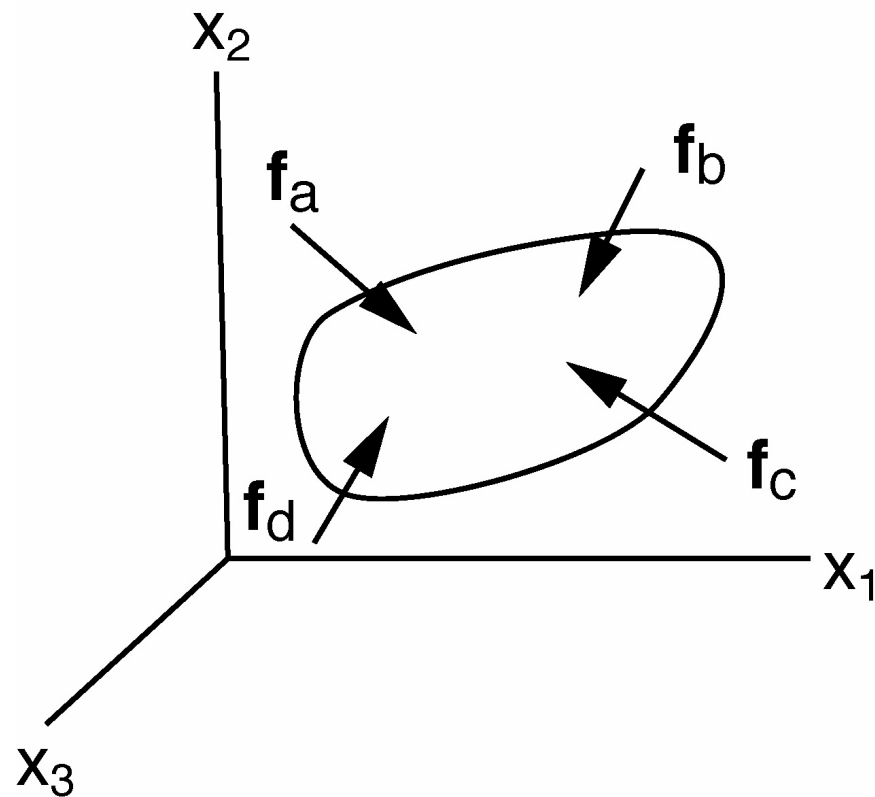
- Cauchy stress tensor recap
- Coordinate transformation (stress) tensors
- (Stress) tensor symmetry
- Tensor invariants
- Diagonalising, eigenvalues, eigenvectors
- Special stress states
- Equation of motion

# Learning Objectives

- Understand meaning of different components of 3D Cauchy stress tensor, and know how to determine state of stress on given plane
- Be able to transform rank 2 tensor to a new basis.
- Be able to decompose a rank 2 tensor into symmetric and anti-symmetric components
- Be able to find principal stresses and stress invariants and know what they represent
- Be able to balance body forces and stresses

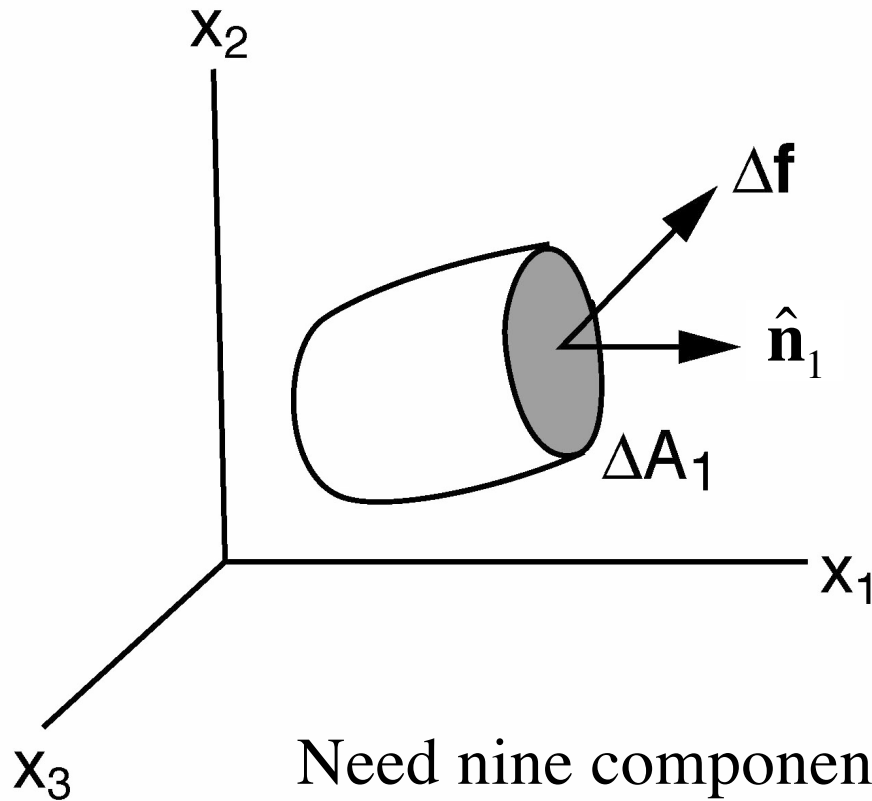
# Cauchy Stress

Stress in a point, measured in medium as deformed by the stress experienced.



forces introduce a state of stress in a body

*(Other stress measures, e.g., Piola-Kirchhoff tensor, used in Lagrangian formulations)*



traction, stress vector

$$\mathbf{t}_1 = \mathbf{t}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}_1) = \lim_{\Delta A \rightarrow 0} \Delta \mathbf{f} / \Delta A_1$$

$$\mathbf{t}_1 = (\sigma_{11}, \sigma_{12}, \sigma_{13})$$

Need nine components to fully describe the stress

$\sigma_{11}, \sigma_{12}, \sigma_{13}$  for  $\Delta A_1$

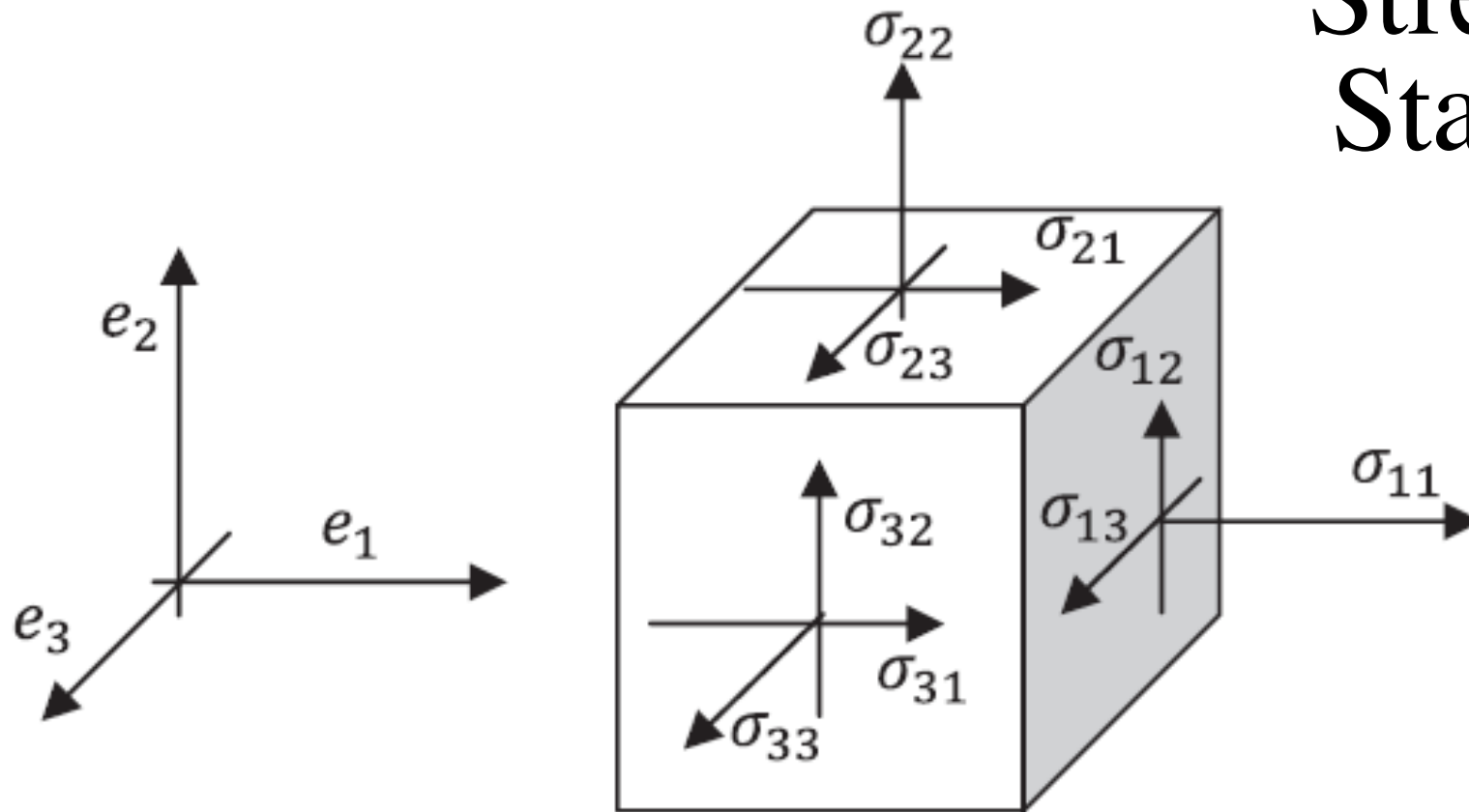
$\sigma_{22}, \sigma_{21}, \sigma_{23}$  for  $\Delta A_2$

$\sigma_{33}, \sigma_{31}, \sigma_{32}$  for  $\Delta A_3$

first index = orientation of plane

second index = orientation of force

# 3-D Stress State



first index = orientation of plane  
second index = orientation of force

*Positive if force in direction of normal (as shown)*

$$t_i = \sigma_{ji} n_j$$

*Note:* unusual index order

$$\mathbf{t} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^T \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}$$

$$\text{Transpose: } \sigma_{ji} = \sigma_{ij}^T$$

in matrix notation: 
$$\mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{31} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} & \sigma_{32} \\ \sigma_{13} & \sigma_{23} & \sigma_{33} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}$$

$\mathbf{t}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$  - tensors of rank 1 (vectors) in 3-D

$\underline{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$  - tensor of rank 2 in 3-D

compression - negative

tension - positive

$\sigma_{ji}$  where  $i=j$  - normal stresses

$\sigma_{ji}$  where  $i \neq j$  - shear stresses

*2<sup>nd</sup> order tensors can be written as square matrices and have algebraic properties similar to some of those of matrices.*

## Example to try

Assume state of stress in a point described by stress tensor

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = -p\mathbf{I}$$

How could you show that there is no shearing stress on any plane containing this point?

$$\begin{bmatrix} -p & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -p \end{bmatrix}$$



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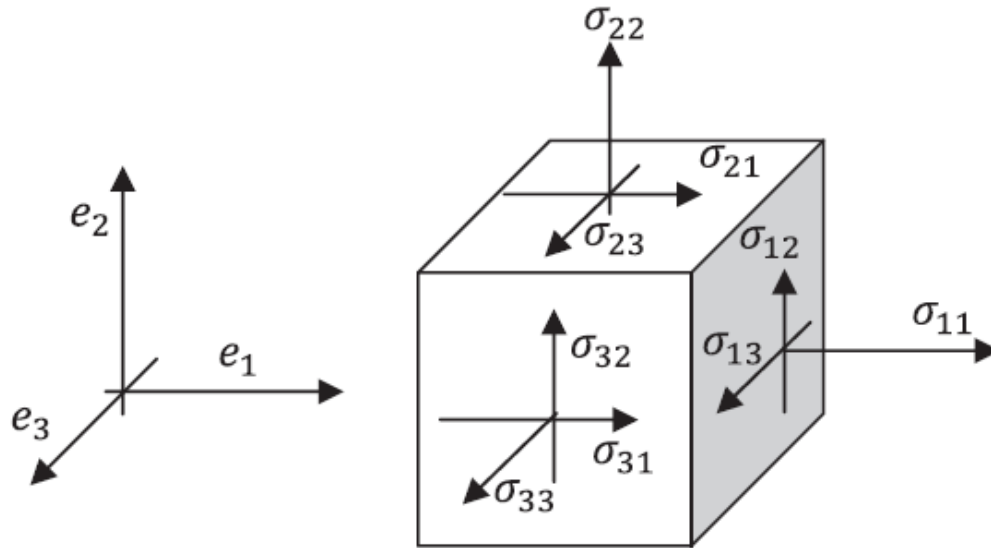
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By showing that traction vector on any plane with normal  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$

$$\mathbf{t} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^T \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} = -p\hat{\mathbf{n}}$$

i.e., normal stress, no matter which orientation of a plane

# Stress components



traction on a plane

$$\mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{31} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} & \sigma_{32} \\ \sigma_{13} & \sigma_{23} & \sigma_{33} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}$$

what is (1)  $\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \cdot \mathbf{t} = \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^T \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}$  ?

what is (2)  $\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^T \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1$  ?      what is (3)  $\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^T \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2$  ?

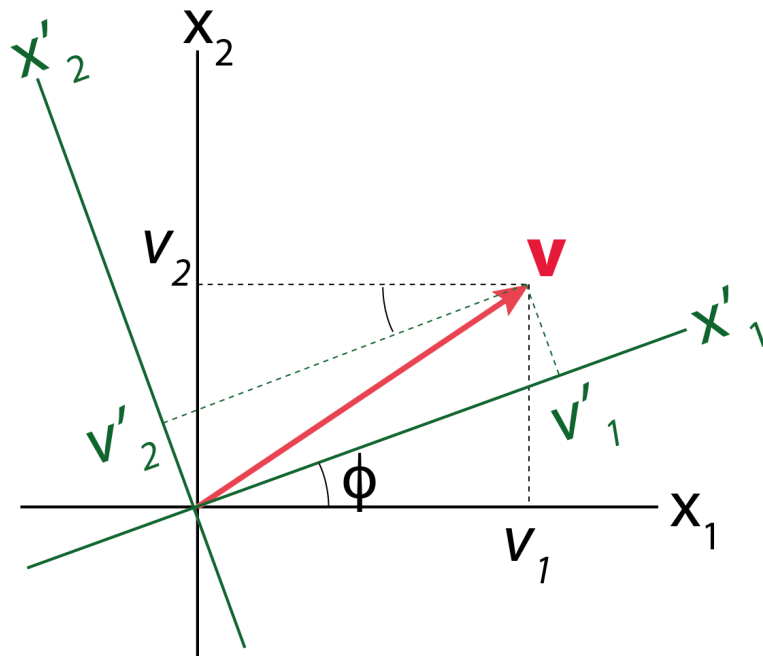
physical parameters should not depend on coordinate frame  
 $\Rightarrow$  **tensors follow linear transformation laws**

for vectors on orthonormal basis:

$$v'_1 = \alpha_{11}v_1 + \alpha_{12}v_2$$

$$v'_2 = \alpha_{21}v_1 + \alpha_{22}v_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{v}' = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}$$



coefficients  $\alpha_{ij}$  depend on angle  $\phi$   
 between  $x_1$  and  $x'_1$  (or  $x_2$  and  $x'_2$ )

$$\mathbf{v}' = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \cos(90 - \phi) \\ \cos(90 + \phi) & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}$$

$$\alpha_{ij} = \hat{\mathbf{e}}'_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_j$$

Inverse transform:  $v_j = \alpha_{ji} v'_i$        $\alpha_{ji} = \hat{\mathbf{e}}_j \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}'_i$

*In a new coordinate system:*

traction  $t'_i = \alpha_{ik} t_k$

normal  $n'_j = \alpha_{jl} n_l$

$$t_k = \sigma^T_{kl} n_l$$

$$t'_i = \sigma'^T_{ij} n'_j$$

Relation  $\sigma'$  to  $\sigma$ ?

$\Rightarrow$  *transformation for stress tensor*

$$\begin{aligned} t'_i &= \alpha_{ik} \sigma^T_{kl} n_l \\ &= \alpha_{ik} \sigma^T_{kl} \alpha^{-1}_{lj} n'_j \\ &= \alpha_{ik} \sigma^T_{kl} \alpha_{jl} n'_j \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sigma'^T_{ij} &= \alpha_{ik} \sigma^T_{kl} \alpha_{jl} = \alpha_{ik} \alpha_{jl} \sigma^T_{kl} \\ \sigma'^T &= \mathbf{A} \sigma^T \mathbf{A}^T \end{aligned}$$

- transformation matrices are orthogonal

$$\alpha^{-1}_{jl} = \alpha_{lj} \quad (\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^T)$$

- *remember*  $\alpha_{ij} = \hat{\mathbf{e}}'_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_j$   
 $\alpha^{-1}_{ij} = \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}'_j = \alpha_{ji} = \alpha^T_{ij}$

$\Rightarrow$  each dependence on direction transforms as a vector, requiring two transformations

An  $n$ -dimensional tensor of rank  $r$  consists of  $n^r$  components

This tensor  $T_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n}$  is defined relative to a basis of the real, linear  $n$ -dimensional space  $S_n$

and under a coordinate transformation  $\mathbf{T}$  transforms as:

$$T'_{ij\dots n} = \alpha_{ip}\alpha_{jq}\dots\alpha_{nt} T_{pq\dots t}$$

For *orthonormal* bases the matrices  $\alpha_{ik}$  are *orthogonal* transformations, i.e.  $\alpha_{ik}^{-1} = \alpha_{ki}$ . (columns and rows are orthogonal and have length =1, i.e., perpendicular unit vectors are transformed to unit vectors)

If the basis is *Cartesian*,  $\alpha_{ik}$  are *real*.

## Difference tensor and its matrix

Tensor – physical quantity which is independent of coordinate system used

Matrix of a tensor – contains components of that tensor in a particular coordinate frame

*Could test* that indeed tensor addition and multiplication satisfy transformation laws