

Assignment 1: Stress

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1. Given $\sigma_x = -14MPa$, $\sigma_y = 6MPa$, and $\tau_{xy} = -17MPa$, determine both by formulas and by the Mohr's circle,
(a) the principal stresses and their directions

Solution:

Let α_1, α_2 are the angles between this stress state and the principal stresses.

$$\tan(2\alpha) = \frac{2 \times (-17)}{-14 - 6} = \frac{17}{10}, \text{ so } \alpha_1 = 29.77^\circ, \alpha_2 = 119.77^\circ$$

The principal stresses:

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = (-4 + \sqrt{389})MPa$$

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = (-4 - \sqrt{389})MPa$$

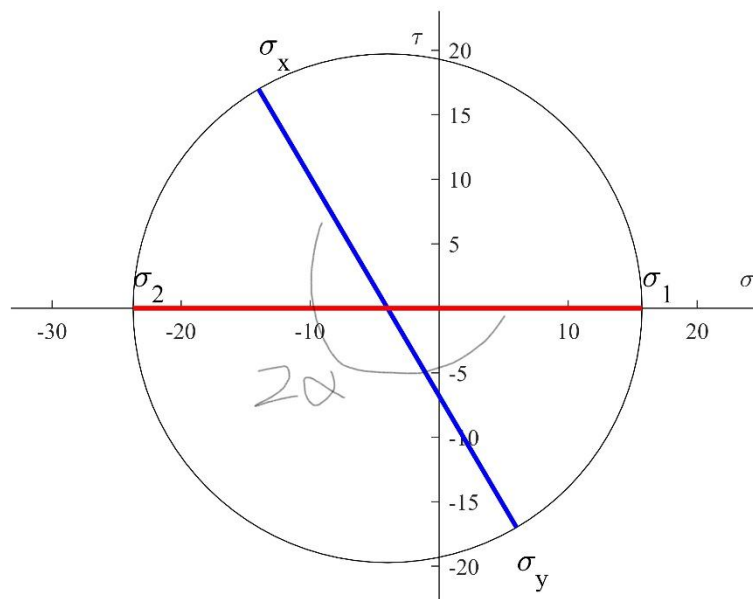
The corresponding directions are $\alpha_1 = 119.77^\circ, \alpha_2 = 29.77^\circ$.

$\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} = -4MPa$, the center of Mohr's circle is $(-4, 0)$.

The radius of Mohr's circle is $\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \sqrt{389}$.

The stress state presented on the Mohr's circle are points, $(-14, 17)$ and $(6, -17)$.

The principal stresses and their directions are shown in the figure.



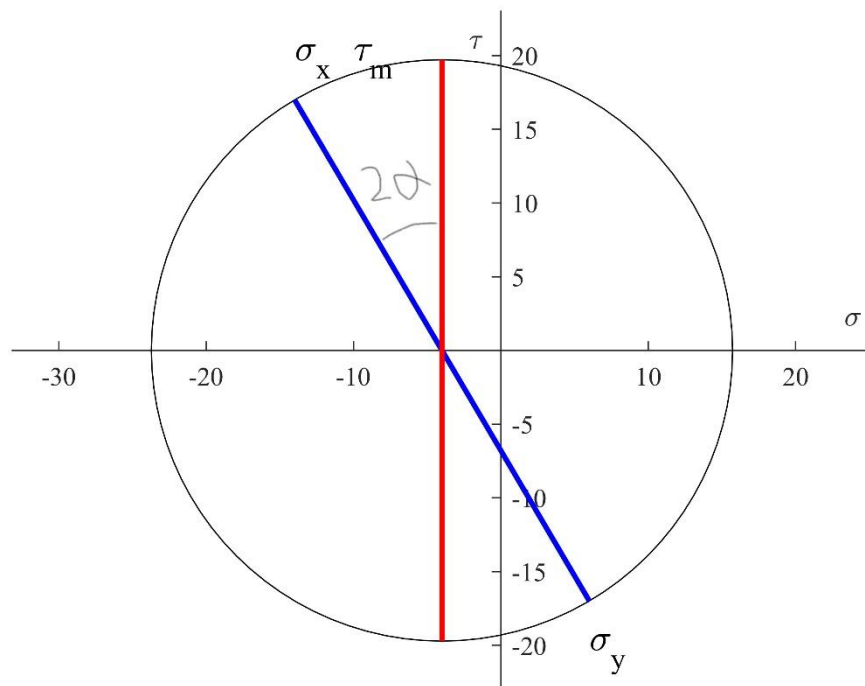
(b) the direction having the maximum shear stress and the corresponding shear and normal stress magnitudes

Solution:

$$\tan(2\alpha) = -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2\tau_{xy}} = -\frac{10}{17}, \alpha = -15.23^\circ$$

$$\tau_{x'y'}_{max} = \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \pm \sqrt{389} \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_{x'} = \sigma_{y'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} = -4 \text{ MPa}$$



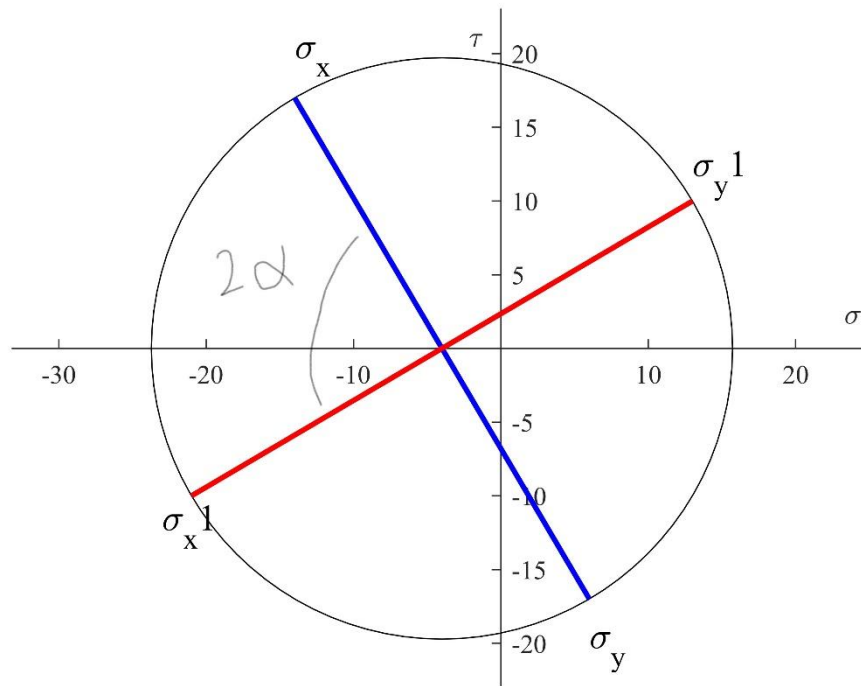
(c) the stress components on the x' and y' planes when $\alpha = 45^\circ$

Solution:

$$\sigma_{x'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos(2\alpha) + \tau_{xy} \sin(2\alpha) = -21 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_{y'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos(2\alpha) - \tau_{xy} \sin(2\alpha) = 13 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\tau_{x'y'} = -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin(2\alpha) + \tau_{xy} \cos(2\alpha) = 10 \text{ MPa}$$



2, Given a three-dimensional stress state with

$$\sigma_x = 10 \text{ MPa}, \sigma_y = 20 \text{ MPa}, \sigma_z = -10 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\tau_{xy} = 5 \text{ MPa}, \tau_{xz} = -10 \text{ MPa}, \tau_{yz} = -15 \text{ MPa}$$

(a) find the magnitude and direction of the stress vector \mathbf{p} on the x' plane where the x' direction is defined by $\cos(x', x) = \frac{1}{2}$, $\cos(x', y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$, and $\cos(x', z)$ is positive.

Solution:

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{yx} & \sigma_y & \tau_{yz} \\ \tau_{zx} & \tau_{zy} & \sigma_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 5 & -10 \\ 5 & 20 & -15 \\ -10 & -15 & -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\cos^2(x', x) + \cos^2(x', y) + \cos^2(x', z) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} + \cos^2(x', z) = 1 \text{ and } \cos(x', z) \text{ is}$$

positive. So $\cos(x', z) = \frac{1}{2}$, then:

$$P_x = \sigma_x \cos(x', x) + \tau_{yx} \cos(x', y) + \tau_{zx} \cos(x', z) = \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ MPa}$$

$$P_y = \tau_{xy} \cos(x', x) + \sigma_y \cos(x', y) + \tau_{zy} \cos(x', z) = (-5 + 10\sqrt{2}) \text{ MPa}$$

$$P_z = \tau_{xz} \cos(x', x) + \tau_{yz} \cos(x', y) + \sigma_z \cos(x', z) = (-10 - \frac{15\sqrt{2}}{2}) \text{ MPa}$$

$$|P| = \sqrt{P_x^2 + P_y^2 + P_z^2} = 22.82 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\vec{P} = \left(\frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2}, -5 + 10\sqrt{2}, -10 - \frac{15\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)$$

(b) find σ and τ on this plane

Solution:

$$\sigma = P_x \cos(x', x) + P_y \cos(x', y) + P_z \cos(x', z) = -2.07 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\tau^2 = P^2 - \sigma^2, \tau = 22.72 \text{ MPa}$$

(c) determine the angle between P and σ

Solution:

According to (a) and (b), let θ be the angle between P and σ , then $\cos\theta = \frac{\sigma}{P} =$

$$-\frac{2.07}{22.82} \text{ and } \theta = \underline{95.20^\circ}.$$

(d) solve for $\tau_{x'y'}$ and $\tau_{x'z'}$, if $\cos(x, y') = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\cos(z, y')$ is negative.

Solution:

$$\cos^2(x, y') + \cos^2(y, y') + \cos^2(z, y') = 1$$

$$\cos(x', x) \cos(x, y') + \cos(x', y) \cos(y, y') + \cos(x', z) \cos(z, y') = 0$$

$$\cos(z, y') < 0$$

So, we can get $\cos(z, y') = -\frac{5}{6}, \cos(y', y') = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}$. Then according to the relationship between these direction cosines, then we can get:

$$\cos(x, z') = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \cos(y, z') = \frac{2}{3}, \cos(z, z') = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}$$

$$\tau_{x'y'} = P_x \cos(x, y') + P_y \cos(y, y') + P_z \cos(z, y') = 21.09 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\tau_{x'z'} = P_x \cos(x, z') + P_y \cos(y, z') + P_z \cos(z, z') = 8.45 \text{ MPa}$$

(e) evaluate all of the stress components acting on the x' , y' and z' planes.

Solution:

The transformation matrix is:

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(x', x) & \cos(x', y) & \cos(x', z) \\ \cos(y', x) & \cos(y', y) & \cos(y', z) \\ \cos(z', x) & \cos(z', y) & \cos(z', z) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} & -\frac{5}{6} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

All of the stress components acting on the x' , y' and z' planes are shown as bellow:

$$R \cdot S \cdot R^T = \begin{bmatrix} -2.07 & 21.09 & 8.45 \\ 21.09 & 12.07 & 2.93 \\ 8.45 & 2.93 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

(f) determine the principal stresses and the direction cosines of the principal axes

Solution:

The principal stresses σ_p has the property that:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x - \sigma_p & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{yx} & \sigma_y - \sigma_p & \tau_{yz} \\ \tau_{zx} & \tau_{zy} & \sigma_z - \sigma_p \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

We let the determinate of this matrix be zero, then $\sigma_p^3 - I_1\sigma_p^2 + I_2\sigma_p - I_3 = 0$ where

$$I_1 = \sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z = 20$$

$$I_2 = \sigma_x\sigma_y + \sigma_y\sigma_z + \sigma_z\sigma_x - \tau_{xy}^2 - \tau_{yz}^2 - \tau_{zx}^2 = -450$$

$$I_3 = \sigma_x\sigma_y\sigma_z + 2\tau_{xy}\tau_{yz}\tau_{zx} - \sigma_z\tau_{xy}^2 - \sigma_x\tau_{yz}^2 - \sigma_y\tau_{zx}^2 = -4500$$

So $\sigma_1 = 30MPa, \sigma_2 = (5\sqrt{7} - 5)MPa, \sigma_3 = (-5\sqrt{7} - 5)MPa$ and they are the

eigenvalue of S . What is more, the corresponding eigenvector are $\begin{bmatrix} 0.2650 \\ 0.3220 \\ 0.9089 \end{bmatrix}$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.8736 \\ -0.4792 \\ -0.0849 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} -0.4082 \\ -0.8165 \\ 0.4082 \end{bmatrix}$$

On x_p plane, the direction cosines are: $\cos(x_p, x) = 0.2650, \cos(x_p, y) = 0.3220, \cos(x_p, z) = 0.9089$,

On y_p plane, the direction cosines are: $\cos(y_p, x) = 0.8736, \cos(y_p, y) = -0.4792, \cos(y_p, z) = -0.0849$,

On z_p plane, the direction cosines are: $\cos(z_p, x) = -0.4082, \cos(z_p, y) = -0.8165, \cos(z_p, z) = 0.4082$.

3, Given the following stress functions,

$$\sigma_x = 3x^2 + 3y^2 - z \quad \tau_{xy} = z - 6xy - \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\sigma_y = 3y^2 \quad \tau_{xz} = x + y - \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\sigma_z = 3x + y - z + \frac{5}{4} \quad \tau_{yz} = 0$$

(a) show that the above stress state is in equilibrium

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_{yx} = \tau_{xy} &= z - 6xy - \frac{3}{4}, \tau_{zx} = \tau_{xz} = x + y - \frac{3}{2}, \tau_{zy} = \tau_{yz} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \sigma_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial z} &= 6x - 6x + 0 = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zy}}{\partial z} &= -6y + 6y + 0 = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_z}{\partial z} &= 1 + 0 - 1 = 0\end{aligned}$$

So, this stress state is in equilibrium.

(b) for the stress state at point $x = 1/2$, $y = 1$, and $z = 3/4$, determine the principal stresses.

Solution:

At point $(\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{4})$:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_x = 3, \sigma_y = 3, \sigma_z = 3, \tau_{xy} = -3, \tau_{xz} = 0, \tau_{yz} = 0 \\ I_1 = \sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z = 9\end{aligned}$$

$$I_2 = \sigma_x \sigma_y + \sigma_y \sigma_z + \sigma_z \sigma_x - \tau_{xy}^2 - \tau_{yz}^2 - \tau_{zx}^2 = 18$$

$$I_3 = \sigma_x \sigma_y \sigma_z + 2\tau_{xy} \tau_{yz} \tau_{zx} - \sigma_z \tau_{xy}^2 - \sigma_x \tau_{yz}^2 - \sigma_y \tau_{zx}^2 = 0$$

$$\sigma_p^3 - I_1 \sigma_p^2 + I_2 \sigma_p - I_3 = 0$$

We get $\sigma_1 = 6, \sigma_2 = 3, \sigma_3 = 0$.