

CE394M: Linear Elasticity

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Isotropic linear elastic stress-strain relations

The relationship between the stress and strain tensor is a linear one. The stress component is a linear combination of the strain tensor. The most general form for *linear* stress-strain relations for a *Cauchy elastic* material is given by:

Where σ_{ij}^0 is the components of initial stress tensor corresponding to the initial strain free (when all strain components $\varepsilon_{kl} = 0$). D_{ijkl} is the tensor of material *elastic constants*.

If it is assumed that the initial strain free state corresponds to an *initial stress free state*, that is $\sigma_{ij}^0 = 0$, the equations reduces to:

Observation on linear elasticity

- 1 $\sigma_{ij} = D_{ijkl}\varepsilon_{kl}$ is a general expression relating stress to strains for a linear solid.
- 2 D_{ijkl} is a 4th order tensor containing 81 terms (we trick using symmetry and reduce order).
- 3 D_{ijkl} material response functions having dimensions F/L^2 .
- 4 Homogeneous: D_{ijkl} independent of position
- 5 Isotropic: D_{ijkl} independent of frame of reference.
- 6 Because the stress is symmetric: $\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_{ji}$, $D_{ijkl} = D_{jikl}$. Strain is symmetric $\varepsilon_{kl} = \varepsilon_{lk}$ and $D_{ijkl} = D_{ijlk}$. Hence the number of independent variables drop from 81 to 36.
- 7 Both the stress and the strain tensor have only 6 independent values, therefor write them as vectors, then the stiffness tensor can be written as a matrix (compromise I can not rotate tensor).

Stress-strain relationship

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} \\ \sigma_{22} \\ \sigma_{33} \\ \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{23} \\ \sigma_{31} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} & D_{13} & D_{14} & D_{15} & D_{16} \\ D_{21} & D_{22} & D_{23} & D_{24} & D_{25} & D_{26} \\ D_{31} & D_{32} & D_{33} & D_{34} & D_{35} & D_{36} \\ D_{41} & D_{42} & D_{43} & D_{44} & D_{45} & D_{46} \\ D_{51} & D_{52} & D_{53} & D_{54} & D_{55} & D_{56} \\ D_{61} & D_{62} & D_{63} & D_{64} & D_{65} & D_{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{11} \\ \varepsilon_{22} \\ \varepsilon_{33} \\ \varepsilon_{12} \\ \varepsilon_{23} \\ \varepsilon_{31} \end{bmatrix}$$

D_{ijkl} is a tensor of material *elastic constants*. However, the above $[\mathbf{D}]$ is not a tensor anymore. So we can not rotate the matrix to another frame of reference. This relationship is useful for isotropic materials, where \mathbf{D} is independent of the frame of reference.

The inverse of the relationship (Compliance matrix):

Hooke's law

Empirical observation:

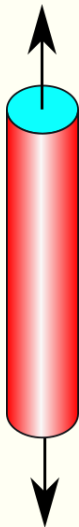
Where E is defined as the *Young's modulus*.
The lateral strains are defined as:

Using superposition for principal stresses:

$$\varepsilon_{11} = (1/E) [\sigma_{11} - \nu\sigma_{22} - \nu\sigma_{33}]$$

$$\varepsilon_{22} = (1/E) [-\nu\sigma_{11} + \sigma_{22} - \nu\sigma_{33}]$$

$$\varepsilon_{33} = (1/E) [-\nu\sigma_{11} - \nu\sigma_{22} + \sigma_{33}]$$



Hooke's law

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_{11} \\ \varepsilon_{22} \\ \varepsilon_{33} \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{1}{E} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\nu & -\nu \\ -\nu & 1 & -\nu \\ -\nu & -\nu & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_{11} \\ \sigma_{22} \\ \sigma_{33} \end{Bmatrix}$$

It is possible to invert the matrix to obtain the generalized Hooke's law:

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_{11} \\ \sigma_{22} \\ \sigma_{33} \\ \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{13} \\ \sigma_{23} \end{Bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} (1-\nu) & \nu & \nu & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & (1-\nu) & \nu & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & (1-\nu) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & \frac{(1-2\nu)}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & \frac{(1-2\nu)}{2} & 0 \\ & & & & & \frac{(1-2\nu)}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_{11} \\ \varepsilon_{22} \\ \varepsilon_{33} \\ 2\varepsilon_{12} \\ 2\varepsilon_{13} \\ 2\varepsilon_{23} \end{Bmatrix}$$

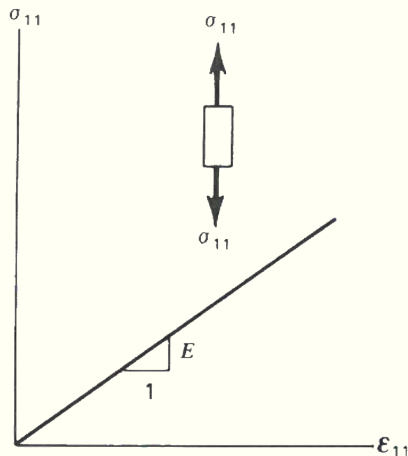
Where $\alpha = E/((1+\nu)(1-2\nu))$. Similarly, we can obtain the inverse matrix.

Hooke's law

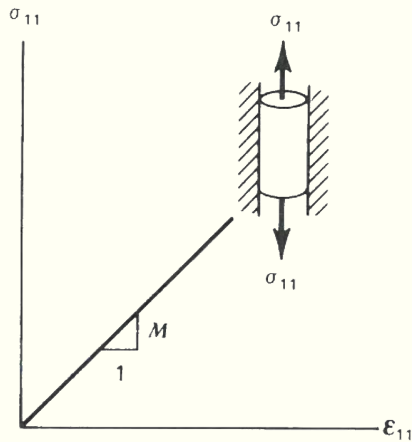
The matrices $[\mathbf{C}]$ and $[\mathbf{D}]$ contains two independent variables E and μ , where $E > 0$ and $-1 \leq \nu \leq 0.5$. The matrix can also be defined in terms of Lamé's constants.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \lambda = \frac{E\nu}{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)} & \text{Lamé's modulus (wave propagation)} \\ \mu = G = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)} & \text{Shear modulus (shear behavior)} \\ K = \frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)} & \text{Bulk modulus (volumetric behavior)} \end{array} \right.$$

Isotropic linear elastic



(a) simple tension test



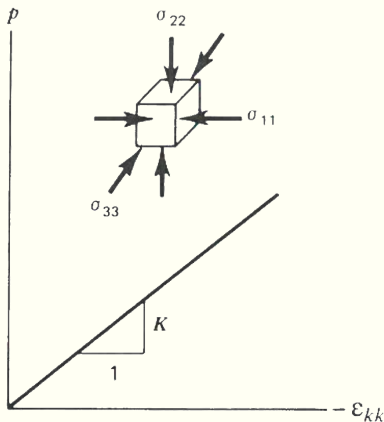
(b) uniaxial strain test

Fig. Behavior of isotropic linear elastic material in simple tests

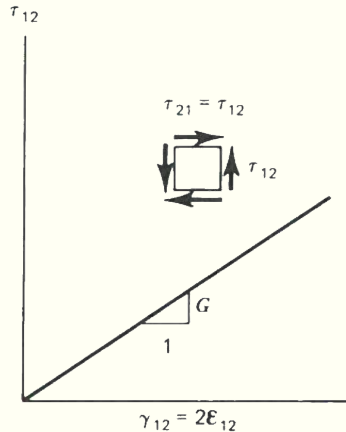
Hydrostatic compression test The non-zero components of stress:
The *Bulk modulus*, K , is defined as the ratio between the *hydrostatic pressure* p and the corresponding volume change $\delta\varepsilon_v = \varepsilon_{kk}$.

Simple tension test The only non-zero components of stress:
The *Young's modulus*, E , and *Poisson's ratio*, ν as.

Isotropic linear elastic



(a) hydrostatic compression test
($\sigma_{11} = \sigma_{22} = \sigma_{33} = p$)



(b) Pure shear test

Fig. Behavior of isotropic linear elastic material in simple tests

Simple shear test

The non-zero components of stress:

The *Shear modulus*, G or μ , is defined as:

Uniaxial strain test The test is carried out by applying a uniaxial stress component σ_{11} in the axial direction of a cylindrical sample, whose lateral surface is *restrained* against lateral movement (Oedometer test). Axial strain ε_{11} is the only nonvanishing component. The *constrained modulus* M or as PLAXIS calls it E_{oed} is defined as the ratio between σ_{11} and ε_{11} .

Plane stress v Plane strain

For a frame with an axis perpendicular to the plane of interest, x_3 or z :

Plane stress

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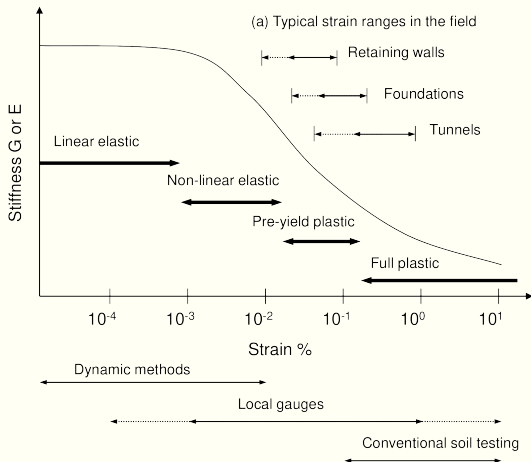
The strain in z is written as:

Plane strain

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The stress in z is written as:

Stiffness: small to large strains

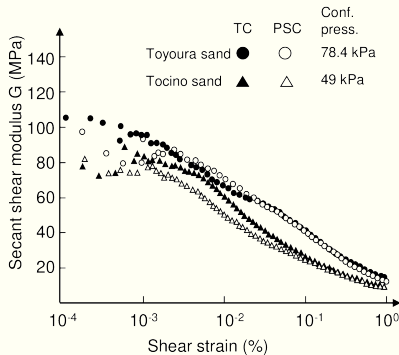


Local gauges

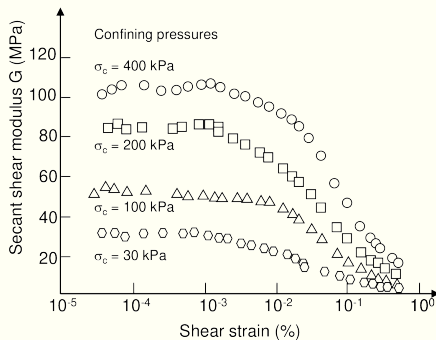


Bender element (GDS)

Stiffness: small to large strains

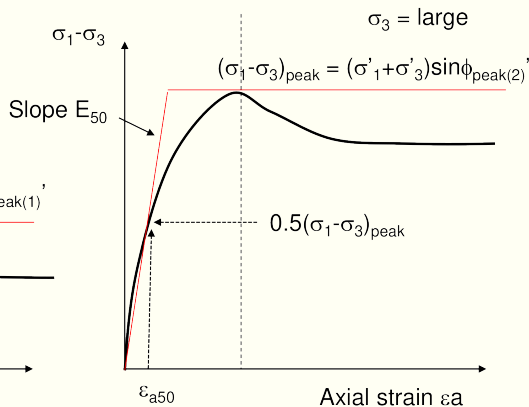
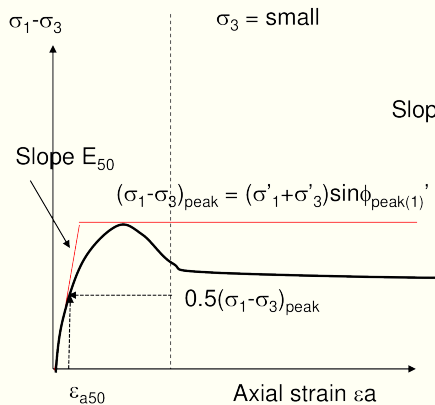


(a) Toyoura and Tocino sands

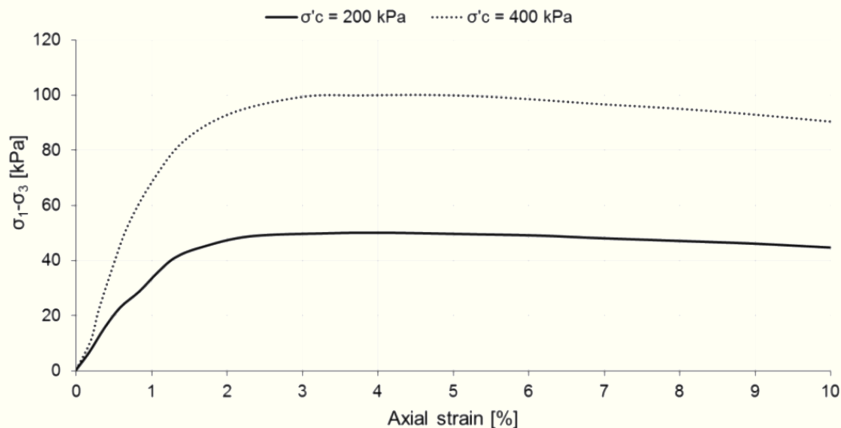


(b) Kaolin clay

Stiffness at intermediate strains

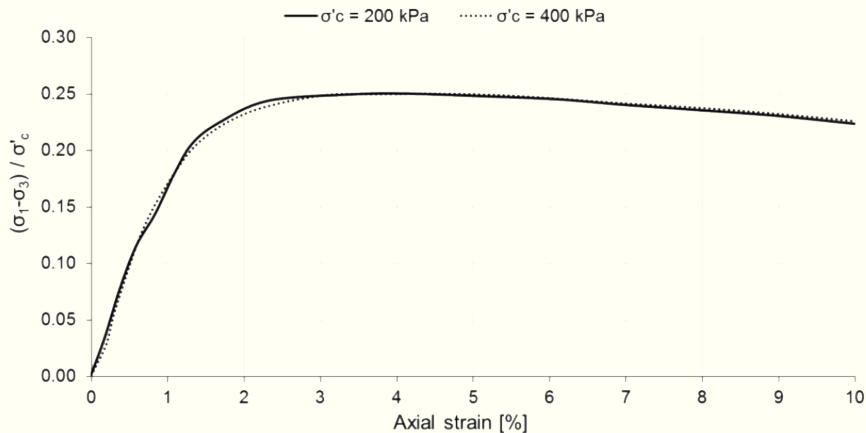


Undrained strength



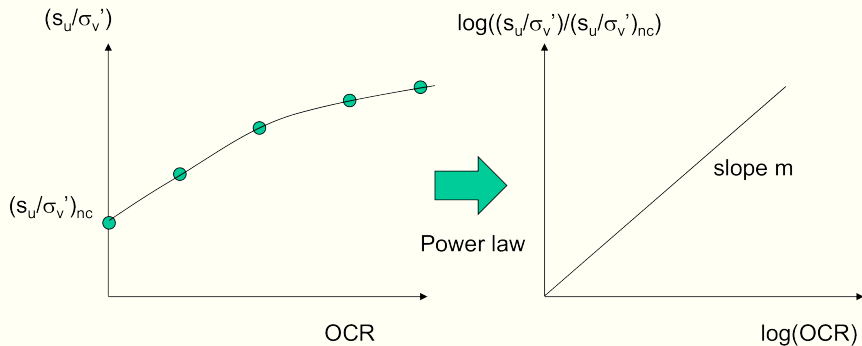
Triaxial compression test data of homogeneous clay (Ladd & Foott, 1974)

Normalized undrained strength



Normalised triaxial compression test data of homogeneous clay (Ladd & Foott, 1974)

Stress History and Normalized Soil Engineering Properties (SHANSEP) (Ladd and Foote, 1974)



Elastic solution for settlement under foundations

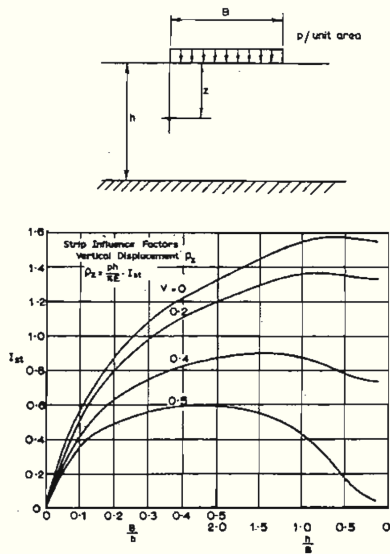


FIG.5.2 Strip curves for ρ_z .

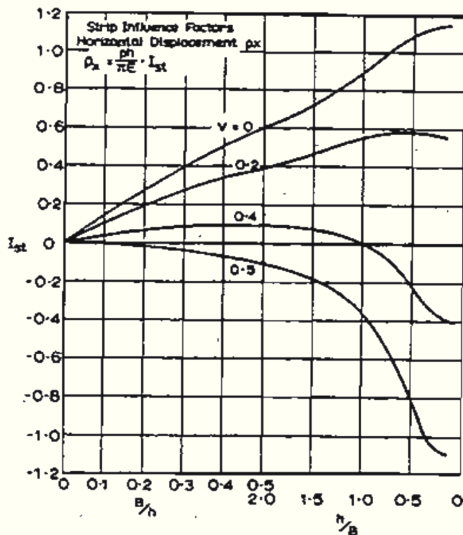


FIG.5.3 Strip curves for ρ_x .

- ① *Ease of use* Only two parameters, choose equivalent values representative of strain/stress levels.
- ② *Disadvantage*: No failure criteria.
- ③ Validate code with chart solutions (“*Exact solutions*”), e.g., Poulos and Davis (1974).
- ④ Useful to get feeling of problem (low stress levels) not wide distribution of plastic zones.

Isotropic Linear Elastic Stress-strain relationship

The *isotropic tensor* D_{ijkl} :

$$D_{ijkl} = \lambda \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}) + \alpha (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} - \delta_{il} \delta_{jk})$$

Where λ , μ , and α are scalar constants. Since D_{ijkl} must satisfy symmetry, $\alpha = 0$.

So the stress:

Hence for an isotropic linear elastic material, there are only two independent material constants, λ and μ , which are called *Lame's constants*.

SHANSEP procedure