

# THEORY OF ELASTICITY AND PLASTICITY

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Quantities used for the description of elastic-plastic deformation:

- Displacement vector :  $\mathbf{u}$
- Total strain tensor:  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{el} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{pl}$
- Elastic strain tensor:  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{el}$
- Plastic strain tensor:  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{pl}$
- Stress tensor:  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$
- Tensor of increment of total strain:  $d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{el} + d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{pl}$
- tensor of increment of elastic strain:  $d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{el}$
- tensor of increment of plastic strain:  $d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{pl}$
- tensor of increment of stress:  $d\boldsymbol{\sigma}$

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Quantities used for the description of elastic-plastic deformation:

- Hydrostatic stress:

$$p = \frac{1}{3}(\sigma_{11} + \sigma_{22} + \sigma_{33}) = \frac{1}{3}\sigma_{kk}$$

- Volumetric strain:

$$\theta = \varepsilon_{11} + \varepsilon_{22} + \varepsilon_{33} = \varepsilon_{kk}$$

- Isotropic stress tensor:

$$p\mathbf{1} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{3}\sigma_{kk}\delta_{ij}$$

- Isotropic total strain tensor:

$$\frac{\theta}{3}\mathbf{1} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{3}\varepsilon_{kk}\delta_{ij}$$

- Stress deviator:

$$\mathbf{s} = \boldsymbol{\sigma} - p\mathbf{1} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad s_{ij} = \sigma_{ij} - \frac{1}{3}\sigma_{kk}\delta_{ij}$$

- Total strain deviator:

$$\mathbf{e} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} - \frac{\theta}{3}\mathbf{1} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad e_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ij} - \frac{1}{3}\varepsilon_{kk}\delta_{ij}$$

(isotropic and deviatoric parts of tensors of increment of elastic strain, plastic strain and stress are defined in an analogous way)

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**Governing equations** of the problem of elastic-plastic deformation:

- Equilibrium equations:

$$\sigma_{ij,j} + b_i = 0$$

- Kinematic relations:

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(u_{i,j} + u_{j,i})$$

- Yield condition:

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0$$

- Constitutive relations in the region of elastic deformation:

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{E} \left[ (1 + \nu) \sigma_{ij} - \nu \sigma_{kk} \delta_{ij} \right]$$

$$\sigma_{ij} = 2G \varepsilon_{ij} + \Lambda \varepsilon_{kk} \delta_{ij}$$

- Constitutive relations in the region of elastic-plastic deformation:

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \mathbf{g}(\boldsymbol{\sigma})$$

**Boundary conditions:**

- Static boundary conditions:

$$\sigma_{ij} n_j = q_i$$

- Kinematic boundary conditions:

$$u_i = \hat{u}_i$$

- Equilibrium at the boundary of elastic and plastic region:

$$\begin{cases} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_n^{(el)} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_n^{(el-pl)} \\ \boldsymbol{\tau}_n^{(el)} = \boldsymbol{\tau}_n^{(el-pl)} \end{cases}$$

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In the configuration of a body we distinguish:

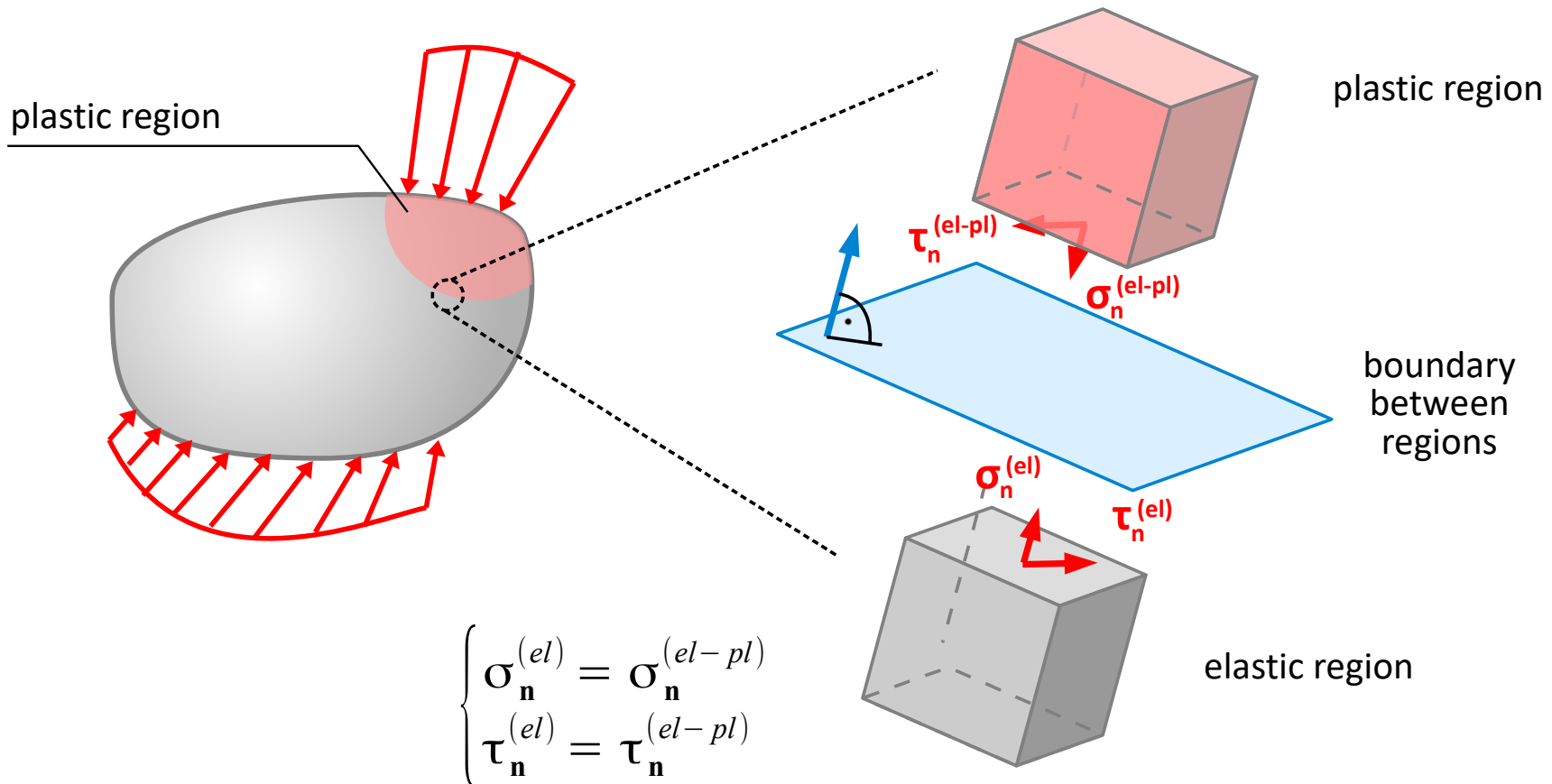
- **Region of elastic deformation**
- **Region of elastic-plastic deformation**
- **Boundary** between the above regions

In the **region of elastic-plastic deformation** as well as in the **points at the boundary** separating this region from the region of purely elastic deformation the **yield condition** is satisfied.

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Equilibrium at the boundary of elastic and plastic region:

Right-sided and left-sided values of normal stress perpendicular to the boundary as well as of shear stress tangent to the boundary must be the same.



# GOVERNING EQUATIONS OF THE THEORY OF PLASTICITY

## REMARKS:

- **Equilibrium equations** and **kinematic relations** are the same in both **elastic and plastic region** – they are the same as in the theory of elasticity, since they are derived from fundamental principles of Newtonian dynamics and kinematics of continua.
- **Boundary conditions** at the external surface of the body are prescribed in the same way as in theory of elasticity
- It is necessary to prescribe **compatibility conditions at the boundary of elastic and plastic region**:
  - **Displacement** distribution must be **continuous** (one-sided values are the same)
  - Distribution of **stress vector components corresponding with a unit normal vector of the boundary** between elastic and plastic region must be **continuous** (one-sided values are the same)
  - Distribution of **all other components of the stress tensor** may be **discontinuous** – one-sided values corresponding with elastic region and plastic region may have different values.



# GOVERNING EQUATIONS OF THE THEORY OF PLASTICITY

## REMARKS:

- The most important difference concerns the **constitutive relations**.
  - Due to plastic yielding the **relation between stress and total strain** changes.
  - We assume that elastic properties of material do not change due to plastic deformation. **Relation between stress and elastic strain remains unchanged** – it is the same as in the theory of elasticity.
  - The fundamental problem in the statement of the **theory of plasticity** is a proper **choice of relation between stress and plastic strain**.

# GOVERNING EQUATIONS OF THE THEORY OF PLASTICITY

In the theory of plasticity we distinguish **two kinds of processes of deformation**:

- **active process** – or the process of **loading** – this is an **irreversible process** – energy is dissipated due to occurrence and development of plastic strains. During an active process **both elastic strain and plastic strain tensor changes**. For active processes:
  - Yield condition is satisfied

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0$$

- **AND increment of the left-hand side of the yield condition** corresponding with an increment of stress is **non-negative**. (interpretation: **increment of stress results with increment of plastic strain**)

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\sigma} \geq 0$$

# GOVERNING EQUATIONS OF THE THEORY OF PLASTICITY

In the theory of plasticity we distinguish **two kinds of processes of deformation**:

- **Passive process** – process during which **energy is not dissipated**. These are processes of **elastic deformation** or processes of **unloading**. During a passive process **only elastic strain changes**. For passive processes:
  - **Yield condition is not satisfied** (material is in **elastic state**)

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) < 0$$

- **OR yield condition is satisfied** but **increment of the left-hand side of the yield condition** corresponding with an increment of stress is **negative**. (interpretation: **increment of stress does not result with increment of plastic strain** – the material is in a **limit state** but it is the **beginning of unloading process**)

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0 \quad \wedge \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial \boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\sigma} < 0$$

# MODELS OF ASYMPTOTIC PLASTICITY

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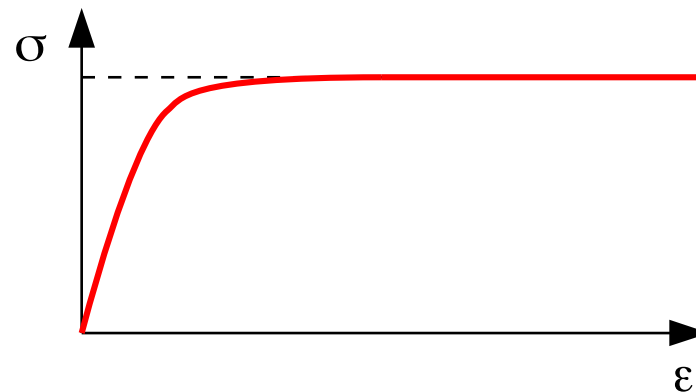
In the case of **simple mechanical states** (simple **tension**, simple **shear**) and when **loading process is monotonic**, when it is sufficient to use only a single measure of stress and a single measure of total strain, one may use so called **model of asymptotic plasticity** – **one-to-one relations between stress and total strain**.

These models may be considered the non-linear elastic models.

Example 1:

### Prager's model

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\sigma_0}{E} \operatorname{arctgh}\left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0}\right)$$



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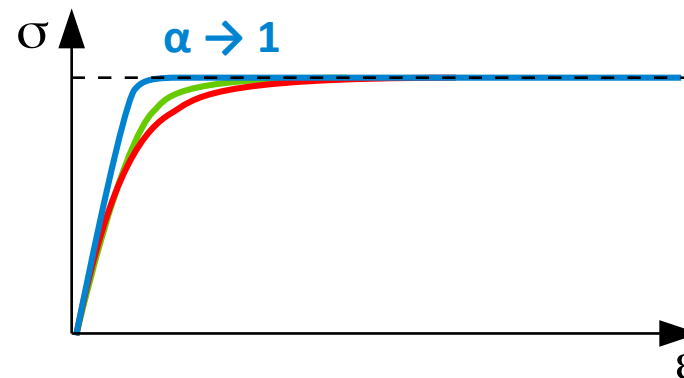
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Example 2:

### Ylinen's model

$$\varepsilon = \frac{1}{E} \left[ \alpha \sigma - (1 - \alpha) \sigma_0 \ln \left( 1 - \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0} \right) \right]$$

$$\alpha \in \langle 0; 1 \rangle$$



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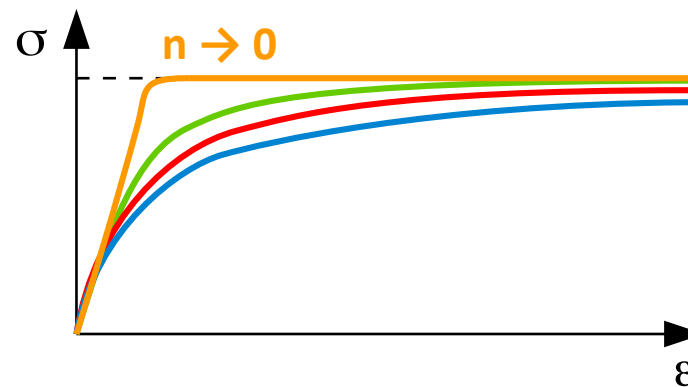
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Example 3:

### Życzkowski's model

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\sigma}{E} \left(1 - \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0}\right)^{-n}$$

$$n \geq 0$$



# DEFORMATION THEORIES OF PLASTICITY



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Models of plasticity in which constitutive relations are unique relations between stress and strain tensor are termed the **deformation theories of plasticity**.

Perhaps the most popular and most commonly used theory of that kind is the **Nádai - Hencky – Ilyushin deformation theory of plasticity**.

# DEFORMATION THEORIES OF PLASTICITY

Assumptions of the **Nádai - Hencky – Ilyushin theory**

- Volumetric strain is proportional to the hydrostatic stress and bulk modulus is the same in both elastic and plastic state

$$p = K \theta$$

$$p = \frac{1}{3}(\sigma_{11} + \sigma_{22} + \sigma_{33}) \quad \text{– hydrostatic stress}$$

$$\theta = \varepsilon_{11} + \varepsilon_{22} + \varepsilon_{33} \quad \text{– volumetric strain}$$

$$K = \frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)} \quad \text{– bulk modulus (Helmholtz modulus)}$$

- Hydrostatic stress is proportional to the norm of isotropic part of stress tensor
- Volumetric strain is proportional to the norm of isotropic part of strain tensor
- The above relation is a relation between isotropic tensors (**Law of the volume change**)

# DEFORMATION THEORIES OF PLASTICITY

## Assumptions of the **Nádai - Hencky – Ilyushin theory**

- Stress intensity  $\sigma_i$  is a function solely of strain intensity  $\varepsilon_i$ ,

$$\varepsilon_i = h(\sigma_i)$$

namely, stress intensity do not depend of volumetric strain, and strain intensity do not depend on hydrostatic stress.

$$\sigma_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{(\sigma_{22} - \sigma_{33})^2 + (\sigma_{33} - \sigma_{11})^2 + (\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{22})^2 + 6(\sigma_{23}^2 + \sigma_{31}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2)} \quad \text{– stress intensity}$$

$$\varepsilon_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{(\varepsilon_{22} - \varepsilon_{33})^2 + (\varepsilon_{33} - \varepsilon_{11})^2 + (\varepsilon_{11} - \varepsilon_{22})^2 + 6(\varepsilon_{23}^2 + \varepsilon_{31}^2 + \varepsilon_{12}^2)} \quad \text{– strain intensity}$$

- **Stress intensity** is **proportional** to the norm of the **stress deviator**.
- **Strain intensity** is **proportional** to the norm of the **strain deviator**.

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## Assumptions of the [Nádai - Hencky – Ilyushin theory](#)

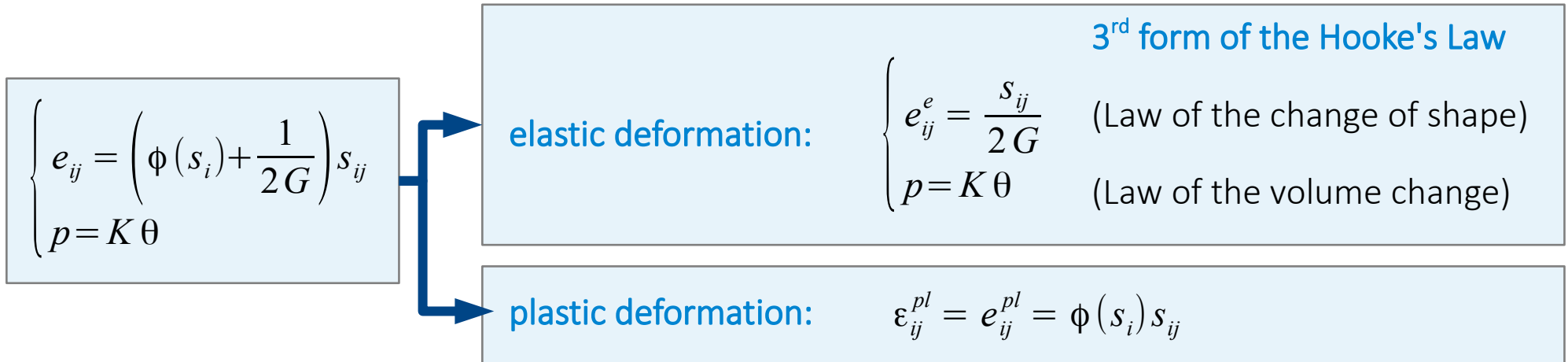
- Eigenvectors of the stress tensor and strain tensor are the same ( those tensors are [coaxial](#))
  - Each tensor may be uniquely decompose into its isotropic and deviatoric part.
  - Any axis is an eigenaxis of an isotropic tensor
  - Coaxiality of stress tensors and strain tensors is thus equivalent to the **coaxiality of their deviatoric parts.**

## CONCLUSIONS:

- Since the stress and strain deviators are coaxial and their norms are related with a certain function, then this function constitutes a relation between the deviators themselves
- Function  $h(\sigma_i)$  determines a **constitutive relation between deviators** ([Law of the change of shape](#)). This function may be decomposed into a part describing elastic deformation and a part describing plastic deformation.

## DEFORMATION THEORIES OF PLASTICITY

Constitutive relation in the **Nádai - Hencky – Ilyushin theory**:



### REMARKS:

- **Total strain** is decomposed into **elastic strain** and **plastic strain**:  $\varepsilon_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ij}^{el} + \varepsilon_{ij}^{pl}$
- Constitutive relation for **elastic** deformation is the **generalized Hooke's Law**.
- Constitutive relation for **plastic** deformation is the **relation between deviators**.
- Plastic volumetric strain is zero:  $\text{tr}(\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl}) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} = e_{ij}^{pl}$
- Function  $\phi$  is equal:

$$\begin{cases} \phi(s_i) > 0 & \text{for active processes} \\ \phi(s_i) = 0 & \text{for passive processes} \end{cases}$$

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## REMARKS:

- In the case of **unloading after yielding** we determine the increment of stress and strain with respect to the state in which the unloading began. Those increments are calculated with the use of derived constitutive relation after substituting  $\phi = 0$  and then they are added to the state in which unloading began.
- **It is impossible to describe multiple loading-unloading processes with the use of deformation theories:**
  - Let's assume that the body was deformed plastically.
  - Then the material is unloaded in such a way that the yield condition is not satisfied in any point. Plastic strain remain present.
  - Then the material is loaded again in such a way that the stress deviator in the limit state is different than when the material was yielding previously. According to the constitutive relation this new deviator determines new plastic strains – but they are different than those, which were obtained previously. Such a solution has no physical sense.

# DEFORMATION THEORIES OF PLASTICITY

## REMARKS:

- Deformation theories may be used in the cases of **monotonic processes of elastic-plastic deformation** – these are processes in which all ratios of components of stress and strain tensors remain unchanged and only norm of those tensors varies.
- Deformation theories are simpler in analysis and less computationally complex than incremental models.

# INCREMENTAL THEORIES OF PLASTICITY (FLOW THEORIES)



## INCREMENTAL THEORIES OF PLASTICITY

An alternative is to use **incremental models**. Any **constitutive relation** which has a general form:

$$\varepsilon = F(\sigma)$$

may be rewritten in the **incremental form**:

$$d\varepsilon = \underbrace{\frac{dF(\sigma)}{d\sigma}}_G d\sigma = G(\sigma, d\sigma)$$

In incremental models it is assumed that:

**Increment of plastic strain depend only on actual stress state  
and it is independent of the increment of stress**

- Magnitude of increment of plastic strain for a given load depend on the magnitude of stress and orientation of stress with respect to possible slip or twinning planes.
- It does not depend on the rate of stress (magnitude of stress increment in given instant of time)
- Plastic strains in next instant of time will depend again on new stress state (nad not on increments)

## INCREMENTAL THEORIES OF PLASTICITY

General form of the constitutive relation in **incremental theories of plasticity** (**flow theories**) is as follows:

$$d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} = d\lambda \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \sigma_{ij}}$$

where:

$\Psi(\boldsymbol{\sigma})$  – **plastic potential**

$d\lambda$  – **scalar parameter**, which depends on **mechanical properties** of the material as well as on the **history of the process of deformation**

$$\begin{cases} d\lambda > 0 & \text{for active processes} \\ d\lambda = 0 & \text{for passive processes} \end{cases}$$

- This is a relation between **increment of plastic strain** and **stress**.
- Plastic potential plays a similar role in constitutive relations in plasticity as elastic potential in elasticity.

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General form of the constitutive relation in **incremental theories of plasticity** (**flow theories**) is as follows:

$$d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} = d\lambda \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \sigma_{ij}}$$

- If the **plastic potential** has the same mathematical form as the yield condition

$$\Psi(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = f(\boldsymbol{\sigma})$$

then we're speaking of the **associated flow rule**.

- For the case of an **associated flow rule** the following **uniqueness theorem** is true:

If the strain is sufficiently small, then for an incremental model with an **associated flow rule** for **given static boundary conditions** the **distribution of stress** in an elastic-plastic solid is **unique**.

# INCREMENTAL THEORIES OF PLASTICITY

Most commonly used incremental model of plasticity is the **Prandtl – Reuss flow theory**.

- we assume an **associated flow rule**:
- we assume the **Huber – Mises yield condition**:

$$\Psi(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = f(\boldsymbol{\sigma})$$

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \sigma_{eq} - \sigma_0 = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2} s_{ij} s_{ij}} - \sigma_0$$

Increment of plastic strain:

$$d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} = d\lambda \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \sigma_{ij}} = d\lambda s_{ij}$$

Increment of elastic strain:

$$d\varepsilon_{kk}^{el} = \frac{1}{3K} d\sigma_{kk}$$

$$de_{ij}^{el} = \frac{1}{2G} ds_{ij}$$

increment of plastic strain  
is proportional to the  
stress deviator

Constitutive relation in the Prandtl – Reuss theory:

$$\begin{cases} d\varepsilon_{ij} = d\lambda s_{ij} + \frac{1}{2G} ds_{ij} \\ d\varepsilon_{kk} = \frac{1}{3K} d\sigma_{kk} \end{cases}$$

## INCREMENTAL THEORIES OF PLASTICITY

A special case of the Prandtl – Reuss theory is an earlier **Lévy – Mises flow theory**. Constitutive relation for plastic strain is the same, however it concerns the **rigid-plastic solid**, in which elastic strain are zero.

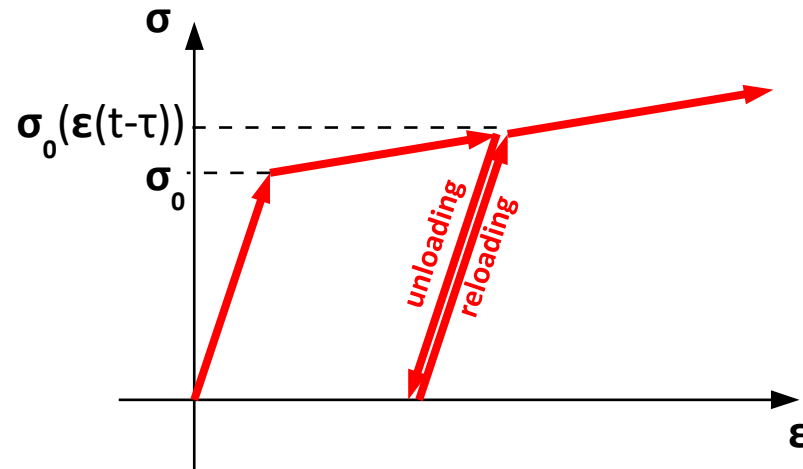
$$d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} = d\lambda s_{ij}$$

This theory is simpler in analysis and it is often used in numerical simulation, especially in those cases in which **elastic deformation is much smaller than plastic deformation** (e.g. industrial **plastic forming processes of metals**)

# MODELS OF HARDENING

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The phenomenon of **hardening** is a situation in which **it is necessary to apply larger stress in order to continue plastic deformation**. The reason is that dislocations of similar type block their motion when they are concentrated in a small region.



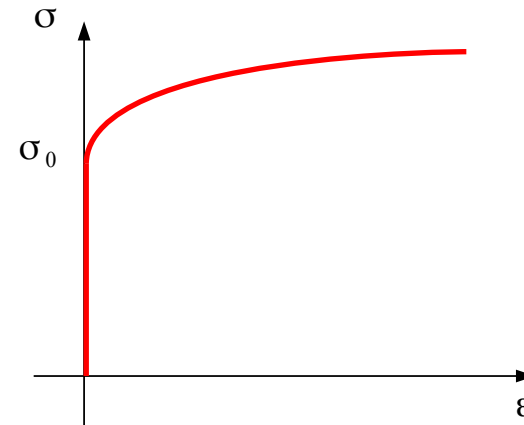
- After unloading of a material which has already undergone plastic deformation with hardening, when it is loaded again, **plastic yielding occurs for the higher value of stress**.
- In this sense, modelling of hardening may be done by the assumption that the **yield condition is not constant**, but that it **varies depending on what was the history of deformation**.
- Modelling of such kind may be graphically illustrated by the fact, that the **yield surface moves and changes its shape** in the space of principal stresses.

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Phenomenon of **hardening** may be modelled in simple load cases and for monotonic load with the use of empirical formulae:

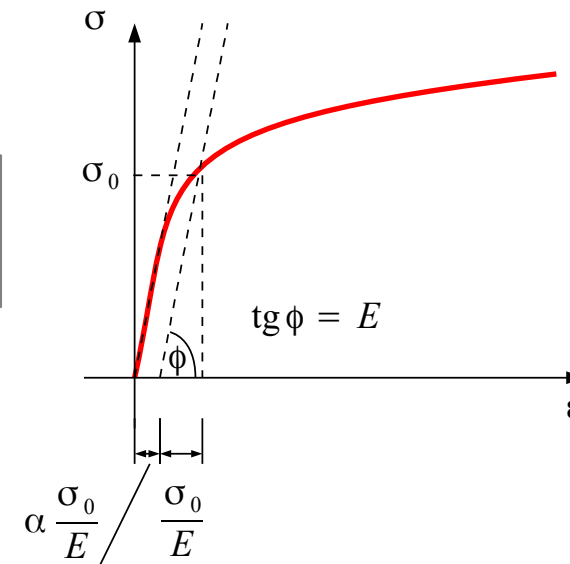
- Ludwik model

$$\sigma = \sigma_0 + K (\epsilon^{pl})^n$$



- Ramberg – Osgood model:

$$\epsilon = \frac{\sigma}{E} + \alpha \frac{\sigma}{E} \left( \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0} \right)^{n-1}$$





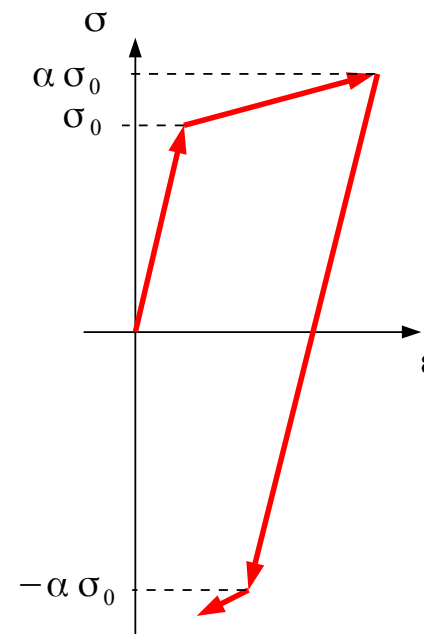
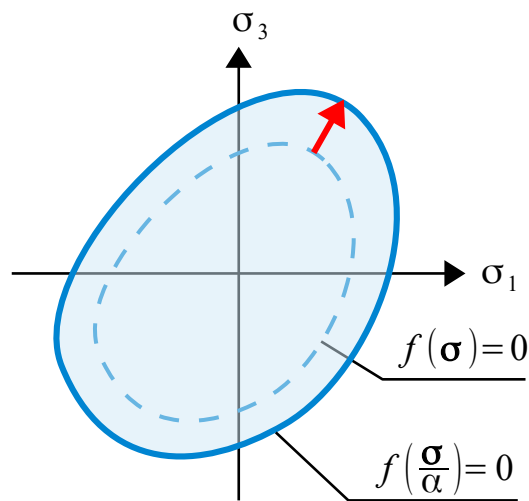
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## ISOTROPIC HARDENING:

- Yield surface changes its dimensions uniformly in all directions, but it preserves its shape.

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad f\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}{\alpha}\right) = 0, \quad \alpha \geq 1$$

- Absolute values of a limit stress in opposite stress states increase equally.



# MODELS OF HARDENING

## ISOTROPIC HARDENING:

Yield condition for a material exhibiting hardening may be expressed in the following form:

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = c$$

Parameter  $c$  takes into account the **history of deformation**. Following models are commonly discussed:

- **Taylor – Quinney** isotropic hardening model
  - Hardening rate depends of the **work of stresses along plastic strains**

$$c = c(W_{pl}) \quad \text{where} \quad W_{pl} = \int \sigma_{ij} d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl}$$

- **Odquist – Hill** isotropic hardening model
  - Hardening rate depends of the **total length of the plastic strain-path**

$$c = c(d_{pl}) \quad \text{where} \quad d_{pl} = \int \sqrt{d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl}}$$

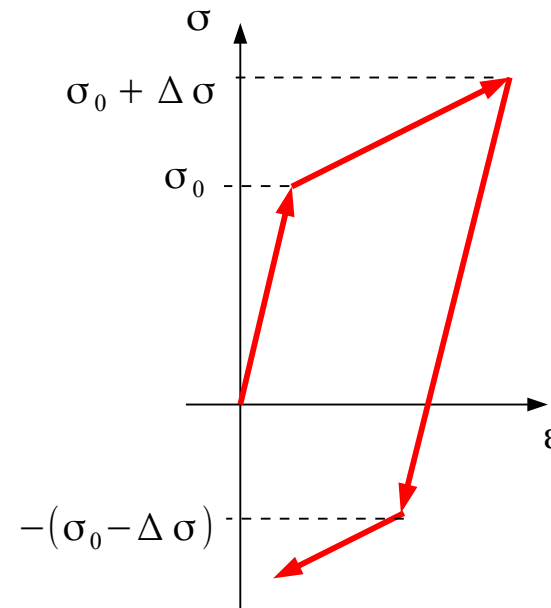
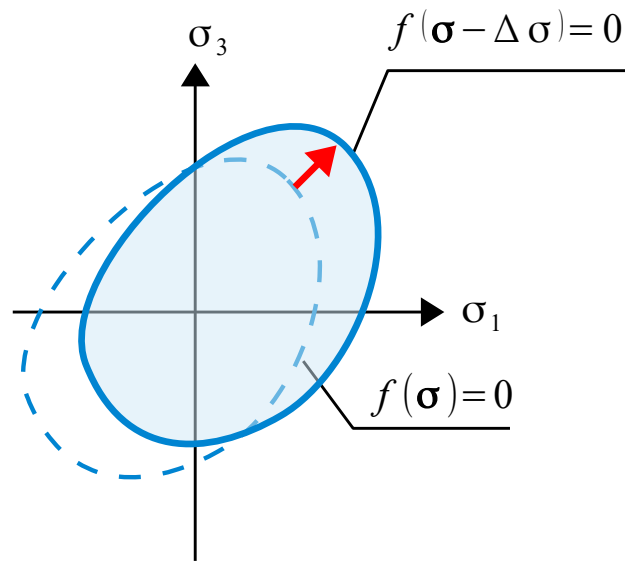
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## KINEMATIC HARDENING:

- Yield surface moves in the space of principal stresses but it preserves its shape and size.

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad f(\boldsymbol{\sigma} - \Delta \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0$$

- If the absolute value of a limit stress in a certain state increases, then the absolute value of the limit stress in an opposite state decreases by the same magnitude.



## MODELS OF HARDENING

### KINEMATIC HARDENING:

Yield condition for a material exhibiting hardening may be expressed in the following form:

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = 0$$

Quantity  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$  may take into account the history of deformation and it may be determined according to various models, e.g.:

- **Prager** model of kinematic hardening

$$d\boldsymbol{\alpha} = c d\mathbf{e}^{pl} \quad \text{where} \quad c = \text{const.}$$

$c$  is a constant, which is characteristic for the considered material

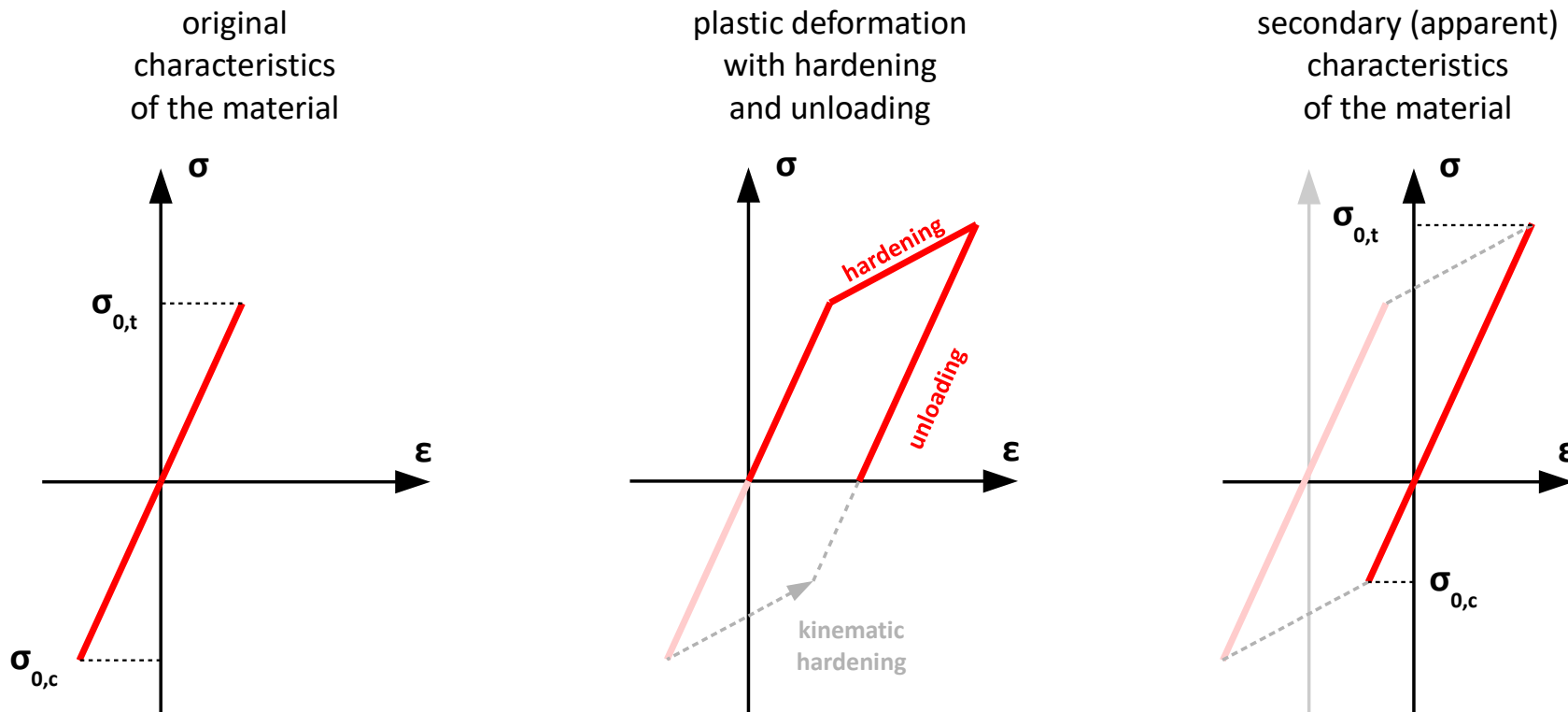
- **Ziegler** model of kinematic hardening

$$d\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (\boldsymbol{\sigma} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}) d\mu \quad \text{where} \quad d\mu = d\mu(d\mathbf{e}^{pl})$$

$d\mu$  is a function of plastic strain increment – it is characteristic for considered material.

# MODELS OF HARDENING

**Bauschinger effect** – due to plastic deformation with unloading **residual stresses** occur in the material – they correspond with a new state of equilibrium in the inhomogeneous transformed internal structure of material. Presence of residual stresses make the **mechanisms of plastic deformation be initiated for different values of limit stress** than originally, before plastic deformation.



## MODELS OF HARDENING

**MIXED HARDENING** – it is a composition of isotropic and kinematic hardening model

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad f\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}{\alpha} - \Delta \boldsymbol{\sigma}\right) = 0$$

**ANISOTROPIC HARDENING** – yield surface changes its shape and position in the space of principal stresses.

# MATERIAL STABILITY

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## Drucker's stability postulate:

In a **stable** material the **work performed** by the increment of surface tractions  $\Delta \mathbf{q}$  and increment of body forces  $\Delta \mathbf{b}$  along corresponding increment of displacements  $\Delta \mathbf{u}$  is **non-negative**.

$$W = \int_{t_0}^{t_k} \left[ \iint_S (\Delta \mathbf{q} \Delta \dot{\mathbf{u}}) dS + \iiint_V (\Delta \mathbf{b} \Delta \dot{\mathbf{u}}) dV \right] dt \geq 0$$

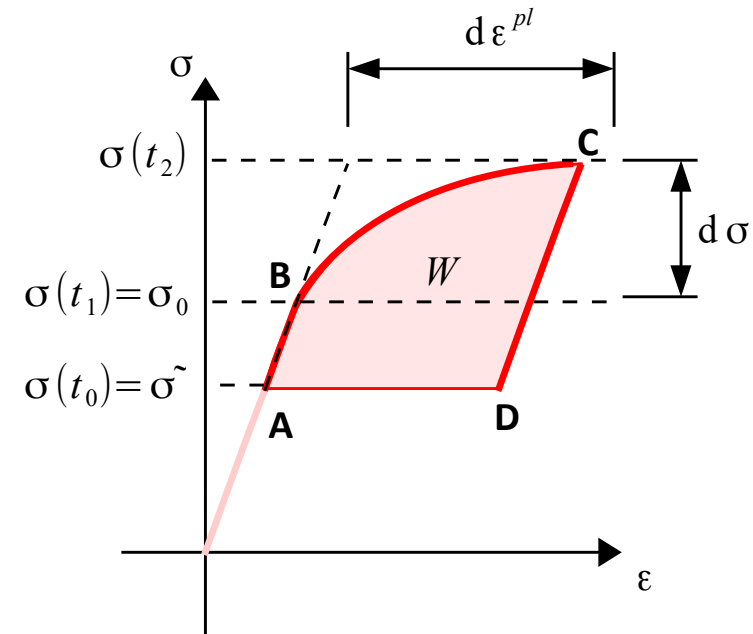
- If the considered interval of time is arbitrary (finitely) large, then we speak of “**stability in large**”
- If the considered interval of time is infinitely small, tj.  $(t_k - t_0) \rightarrow 0$ , then we speak of “**stability in small**”



# MATERIAL STABILITY

Let's consider a cycle of loading with unloading:

- 1) In instant  $t_0$  a stress state  $\tilde{\sigma}$  is given. It corresponds with initial external loads. The process of **loading with an additional load** begins.
- 2) In instant  $t_1$  the yield condition is satisfied and new plastic strain occurs.
- 3) In instant  $t_2$  additional loading is stopped and unloading process begins.
- 4) Unloading process is continued until actual stress state is the same as the initial one  $\tilde{\sigma}$ . An instant in which this state is reached is denoted with  $t_k$



# MATERIAL STABILITY

According to the **Principle of Virtual Works** it may be proven that:

- condition of **"stability in large"** is satisfied when:

$$W_{pl} = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} [(\sigma_{ij} - \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}) \dot{\varepsilon}_{ij}^{pl}] dt \geq 0$$

- condition of **"stability in small"** is satisfied when:

$$(\sigma_{ij} - \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}) d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} \geq 0$$

if initially the material is in an **elastic state**

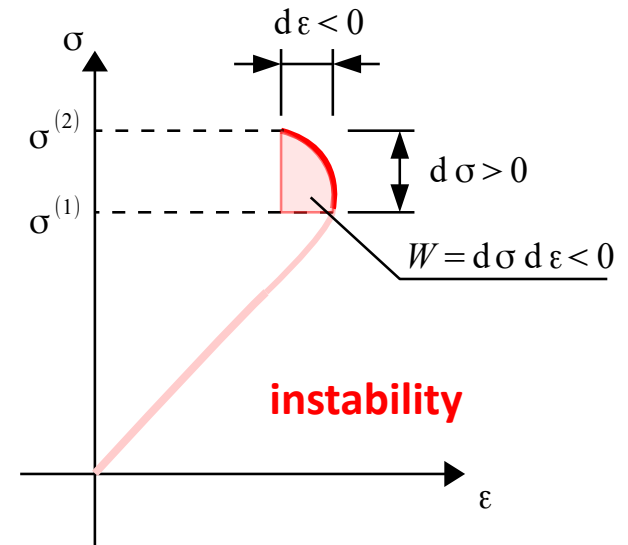
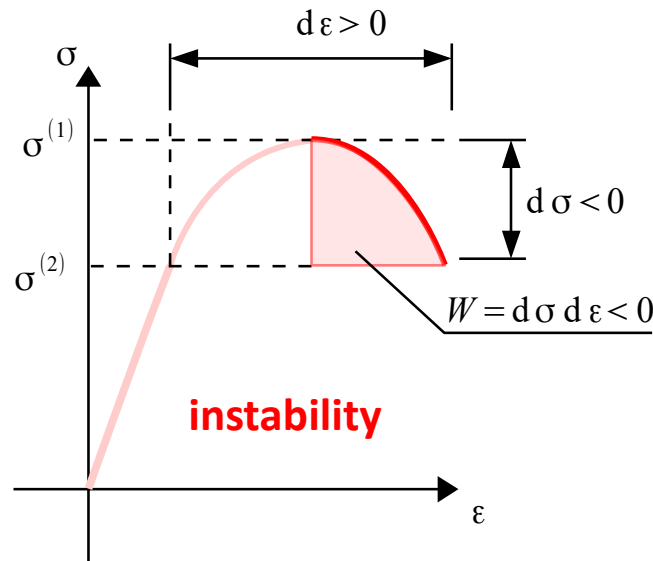
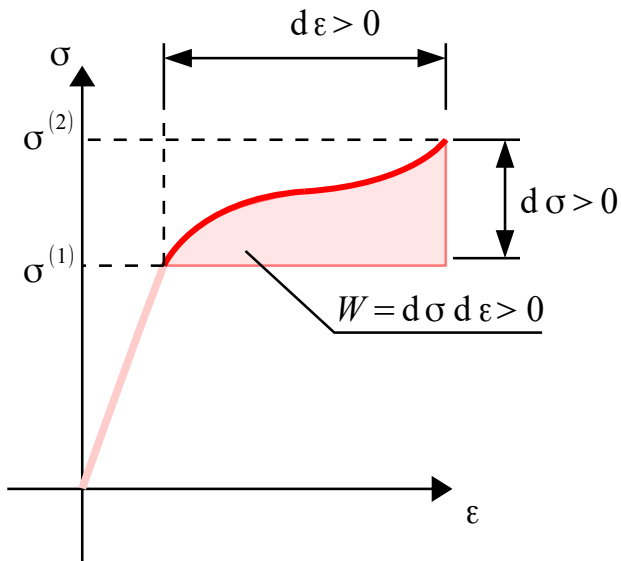
$$d\sigma_{ij} d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} \geq 0$$

if initially the material is in an **elastic - plastic state**

# MATERIAL STABILITY

Condition of "stability in small" when the material is initially in the elastic – plastic state

$$d\sigma_{ij} d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} \geq 0$$



**REMARK:** Occurrence of the **lower yield stress** is a manifestation of a **local instability** in the sense of Drucker.

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Assuming that **Drucker's stability postulate is satisfied**, the **inequality of the condition for the “stability in small”** may be interpreted in a following way:

$$(\boldsymbol{\sigma} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}) \cdot d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{pl} = |\boldsymbol{\sigma} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}| |d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{pl}| \cos \angle [(\boldsymbol{\sigma} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}); d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{pl}] \geq 0$$

Norms of tensors are positive, so it must be:

$$\angle [(\boldsymbol{\sigma} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}); d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{pl}] \in \left\langle -\frac{\pi}{2} ; \frac{\pi}{2} \right\rangle$$

namely, an angle in the space of stresses\* between the **increment of the stress tensor** (from the **initial elastic state**  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$  to the **limit state**  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$  **on the yield surface**) and **tensor of increment of plastic strain**  $d\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{pl}$  must be less or equal to the right angle.

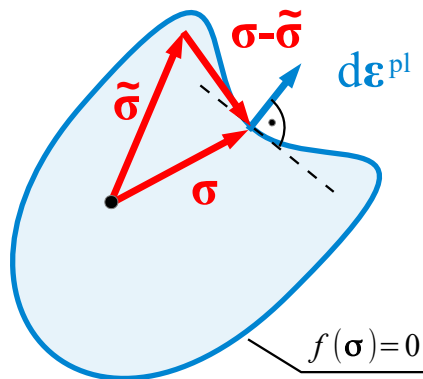
\* in order to represent the strain tensor as a vector in the space of stresses it must be multiplied by a certain constant reference magnitude of stress (e.g. 1 Pa) to provide it with an appropriate physical dimension.

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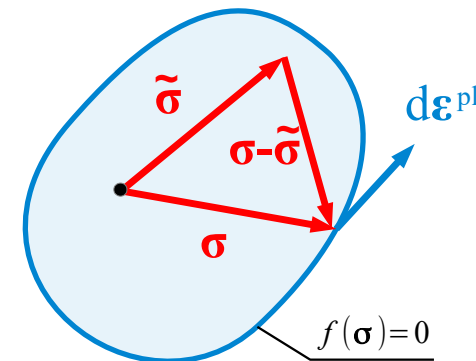
Such a condition will be satisfied if following two conditions are satisfied simultaneously:

- yield surface must be convex
- plastic strain increment tensor must be perpendicular (orthogonal) to the yield surface, namely it must be parallel to the gradient of the yield condition (**normality rule**)

$$d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} = d\lambda \frac{\partial f}{\partial \sigma_{ij}}$$



material's instability (in the sense of Drucker)  
 for a concave yield surface



material's instability (in the sense of Drucker)  
 for the tensor of increment of plastic strain which  
 is non-orthogonal to the yield surface

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### REMARKS:

- If a flow theory of plasticity with an associated flow rule is used, then the **normality rule is always satisfied**

$$d\varepsilon_{ij}^{pl} = d\lambda \frac{\partial f}{\partial \sigma_{ij}}$$

If **additionally the yield surface is convex**, then the **material is stable in the sense of Drucker**.

- If we **assume the material to be stable in the sense of Drucker** and we want to describe it with the use of a **flow theory of plasticity**, then it is **necessary to use an associated flow rule** and the **yield surface must be convex**.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION**