



# Introduction to nonlinear finite element modeling

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## *2.2. Material nonlinearities*

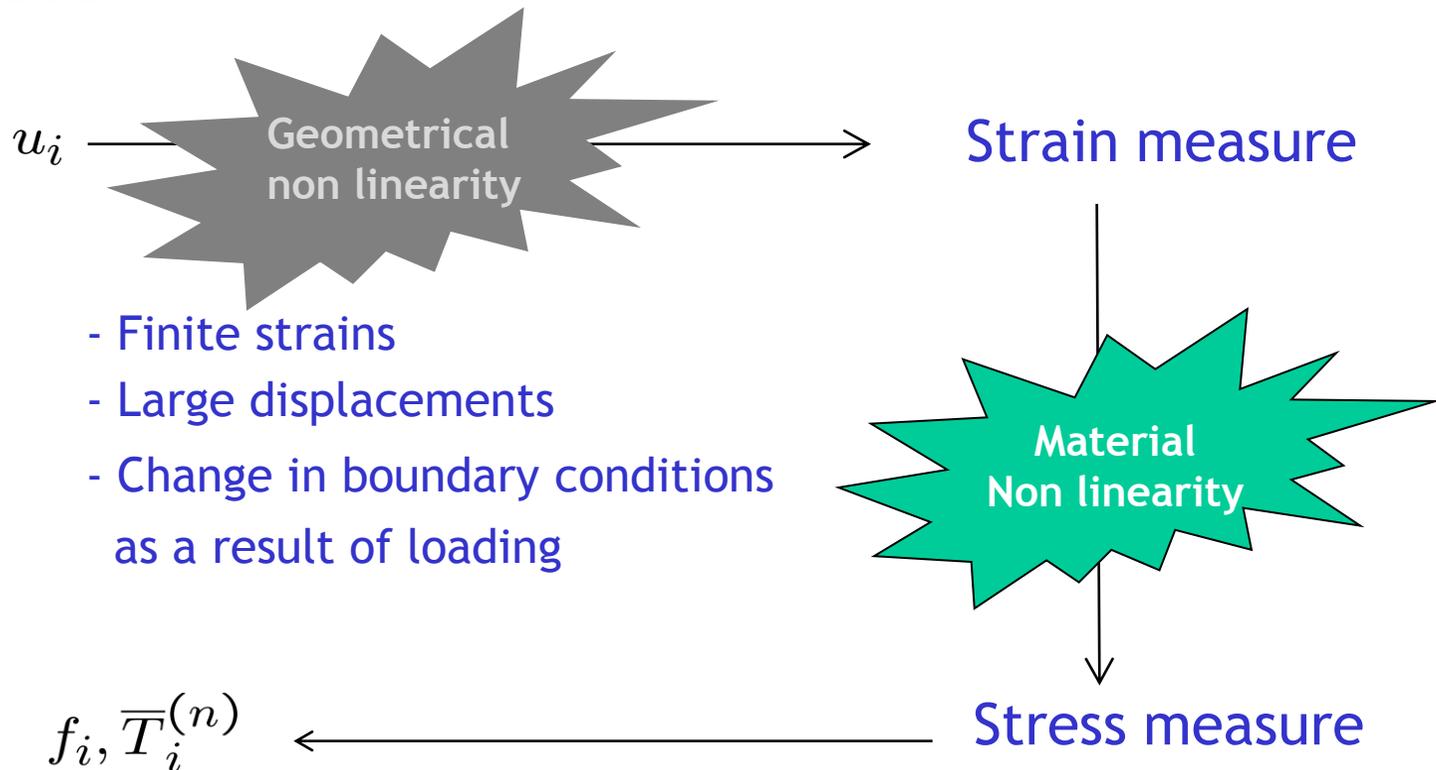
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# Definition

Cause of a non proportionnality between applied forces and Resulting displacements

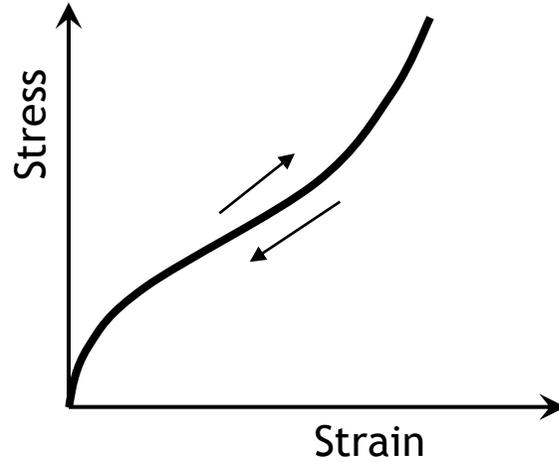
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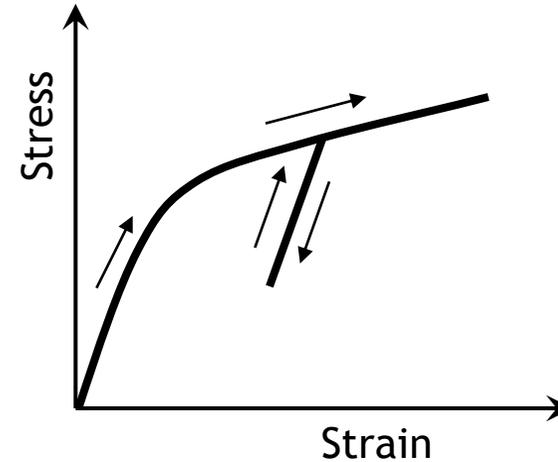


# Nonlinear material behavior

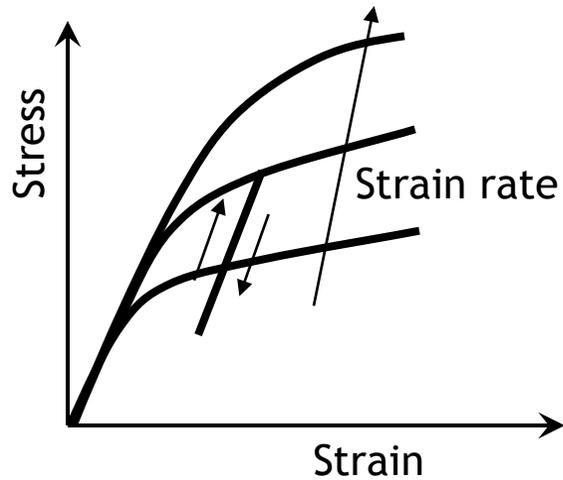
## Non linear elasticity



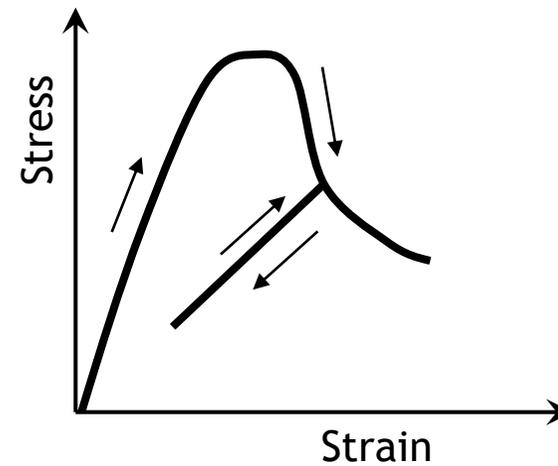
## Elasto-plasticity



## Elasto-visco-plasticity



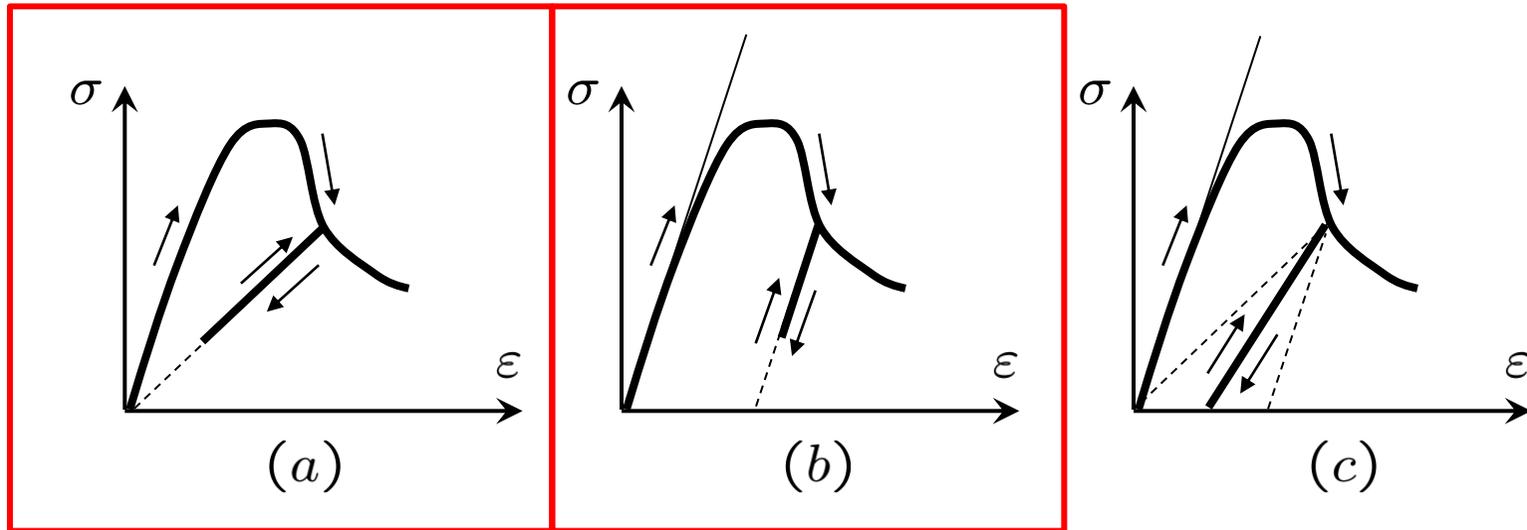
## Damage (stiffness degradation)





# Material non linearities - irreversibility

## Classify laws in terms of types of irreversibility



(a) Irreversible degradation of stiffness

Examples: cracking, concrete under cyclic loading

(b) Irreversible (permanent) strains

Examples: plasticity, metals, soils

(c) Permanent strains + stiffness degradation

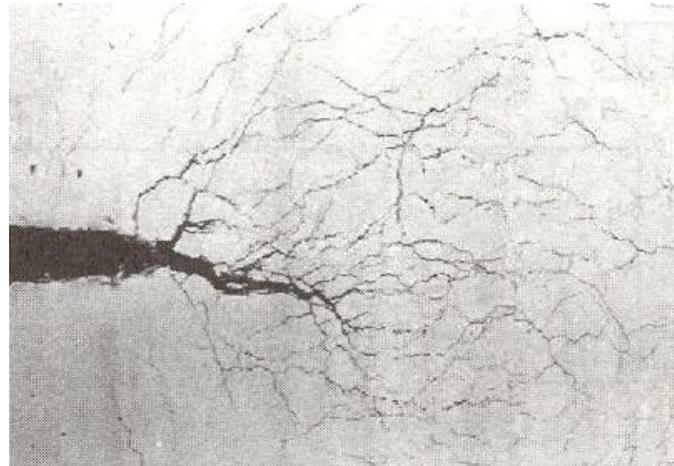


## Damage

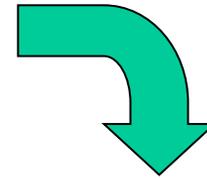
## Plasticity

## Degradation of concrete through cracking

Microcracking in concrete before failure

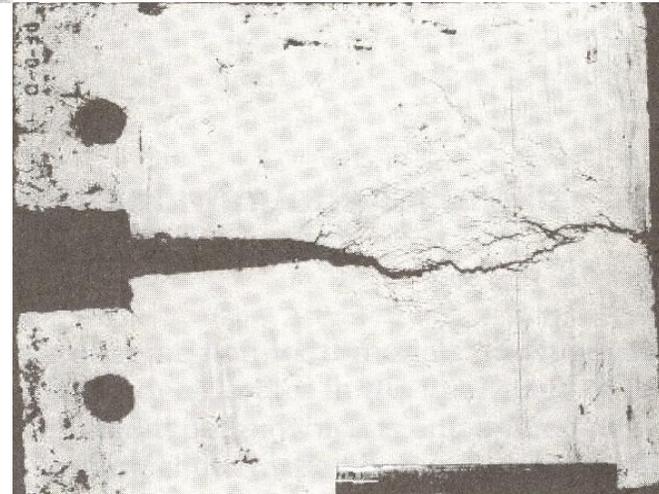


Smeared microcracking



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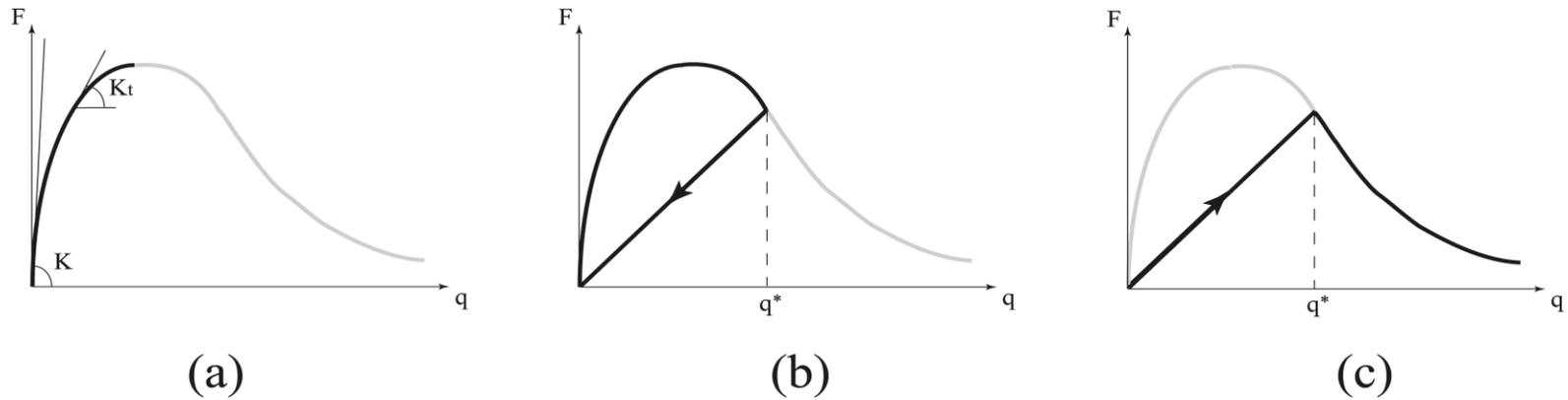
Cracking at the  
macroscopic scale





# A possible damage definition ...

## Phenomenology of damage



### (a) Cracking at the microstructural scale

Smearred micro-cracking  $\Rightarrow$  tangent stiffness evolution

### (b) Unloading with a degraded stiffness

The cracked material does not contribute to stiffness anymore

### (c) Further re-loading

No NEW stiffness degradation until  $q^*$  is reached again

$\rightarrow$  There's a dependency of the strain history



# A possible damage definition ...

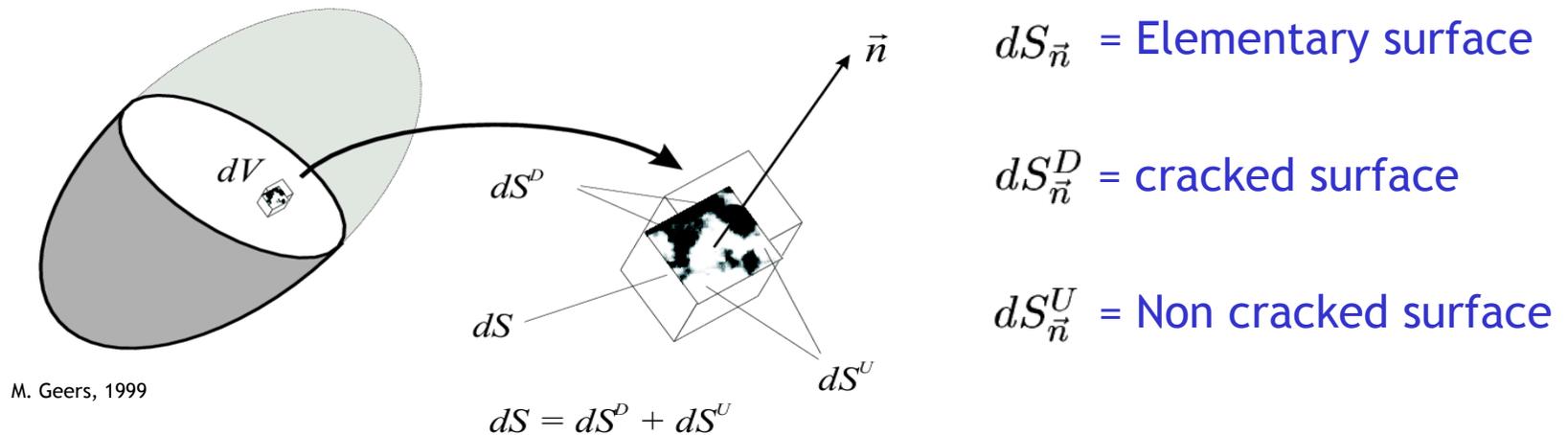
## Continuum damage

A continuous variable representing the average effect of defaults

This is a variable defined in each material point of the continuum

### ‘Micromechanical’ interpretation of damage

Let’s zoom on the microstructural scale & look at a section of the material



$$D_{\vec{n}} = \frac{dS_{\vec{n}}^D}{dS_{\vec{n}}} = \frac{dS_{\vec{n}} - dS_{\vec{n}}^U}{dS_{\vec{n}}} = \text{Surface density of cracks}$$



# A possible damage definition ...

## Continuum damage

### Features of the continuous variable $D_{\vec{n}}$

- Monotonic variable reflecting irreversibility ( $dS_{\vec{n}}^U$  can only decrease)
- Variable ranges between 0 and 1
- Orientation dependent quantity

### Tensorial nature of damage in multiaxial cases

- The influence of microcracks is different for tangential and normal loading  $\rightarrow$  vectorial damage  $\vec{D}_{\vec{n}}$  associated to  $\vec{n}$
- Multiaxial damage should therefore be a tensor
- Usual simplifying assumption  $D_{\vec{n}} = D$

Scalar damage  $\Rightarrow$  Same normal and tangential stiffness degradation!

A single continuous crack is therefore not well modelled!





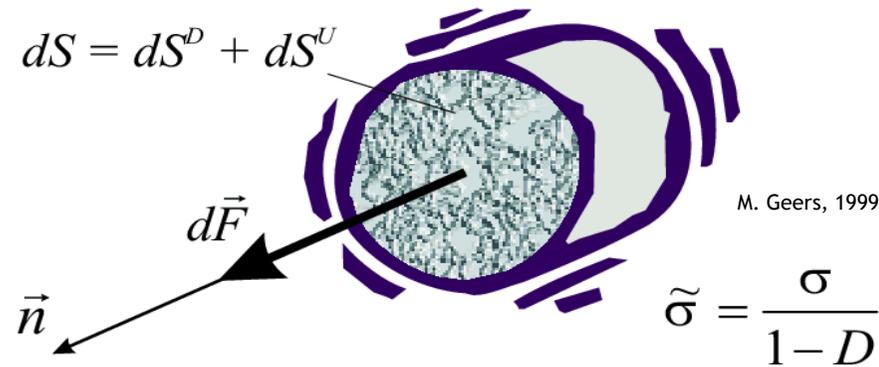
# 1D damaging constitutive relation

## For the uniaxial case

‘Nominal’ stress  $\sigma$  = ‘average’ stress on the element

‘Effective’ stress  $\tilde{\sigma}$  = stress on the resistant part of section

Relationship between nominal and effective stresses



$$\tilde{\sigma} = \frac{dF}{dS^U} = \frac{dF}{dS - dS^D} = \frac{dF}{dS(1 - D)} = \frac{\sigma}{1 - D}$$

# 1D damaging constitutive relation

## For the uniaxial case

Objective = determine the relation between nominal values

(because the nominal stress is the one that appears in the equilibrium equations)

### Link between nominal stress and strain

- Strain of the damaged material under  $\sigma$  assumed equal to the strain of the virgin material under  $\tilde{\sigma}$
- The non cracked material is assumed to follow the elastic law

$$\tilde{\sigma} = E\varepsilon \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \sigma = (1 - D)E\varepsilon = \tilde{E}\varepsilon$$

$\tilde{E}$  = Effective damaged modulus = slope at unloading

A similar development is possible with stress equivalence and effective strain

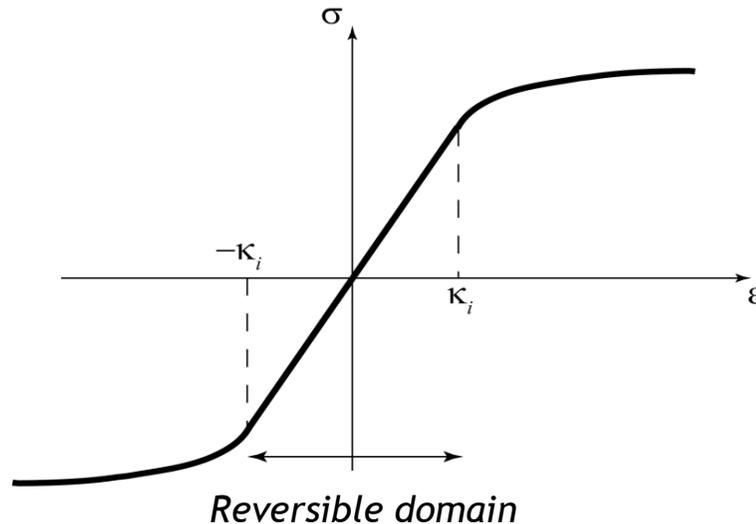


# Damage evolution criterion in 1D

## Initial damage criterion

Starting from a virgin state, does the variable  $D$  evolve ?

Damage is assumed to start as from a **strain threshold**  $\kappa_i$



This graph is simplified as it assumes an identical behaviour in tension and compression

## Irreversibility criterion for a state variation

$$\varepsilon \geq \kappa_i \quad \text{or} \quad f^d = \varepsilon - \kappa_i \geq 0 \quad \text{Irreversible variation}$$

$$\varepsilon < \kappa_i \quad \text{or} \quad f^d = \varepsilon - \kappa_i < 0 \quad \text{Reversible variation}$$

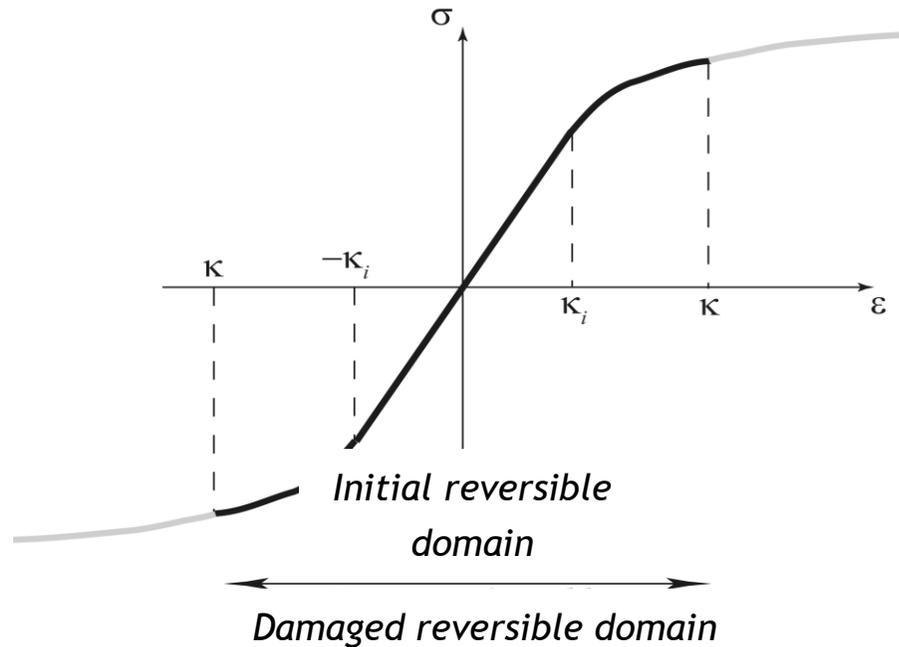
The reversibility domain is expressed in the strain space



# Damage evolution criterion in 1D

## Damage criterion with evolution

Let us denote  $\kappa$  the most critical strain applied to the material during its history



$\kappa$  is an increasing parameter measuring the accumulated irreversibilities in the material

Irreversibility criterion for a state variation (damaged case)

$$\varepsilon \geq \kappa \quad \text{or} \quad f^d = \varepsilon - \kappa \geq 0 \quad \text{Irreversible variation}$$

$$\varepsilon < \kappa \quad \text{or} \quad f^d = \varepsilon - \kappa < 0 \quad \text{Reversible variation}$$



# Damage evolution criterion in 1D

## Damage criterion with evolution

If the irreversibility criterion is verified

There is a new  $\kappa$  for subsequent loading

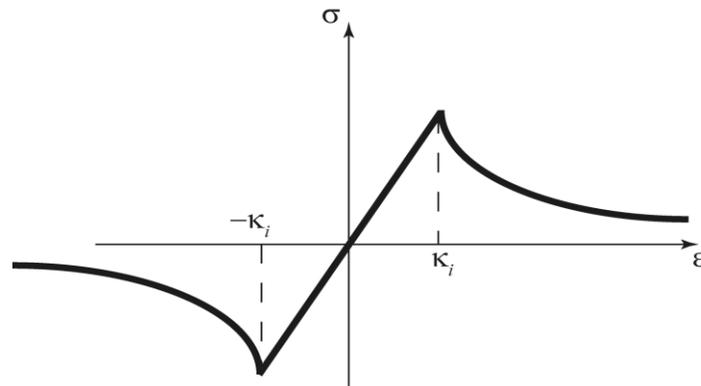
A new value of  $D$  has to be calculated

Variation of the reversibility domains in the strain space

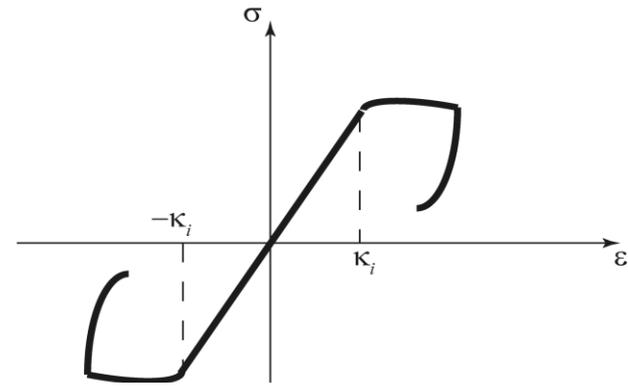
Its growth has to be monotonically increasing in terms of the deformation

Its should be controlled by  $\kappa$  which is a monotonically increasing parameter

This domain can only grow (and not retract) on the  $\epsilon$  axis



Admissible



Non admissible

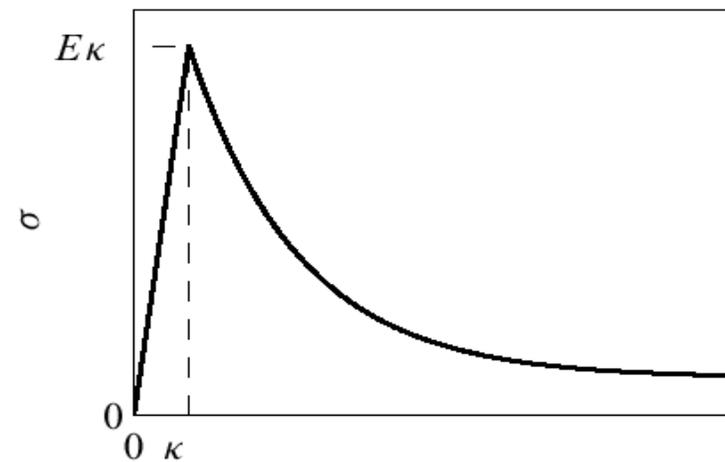
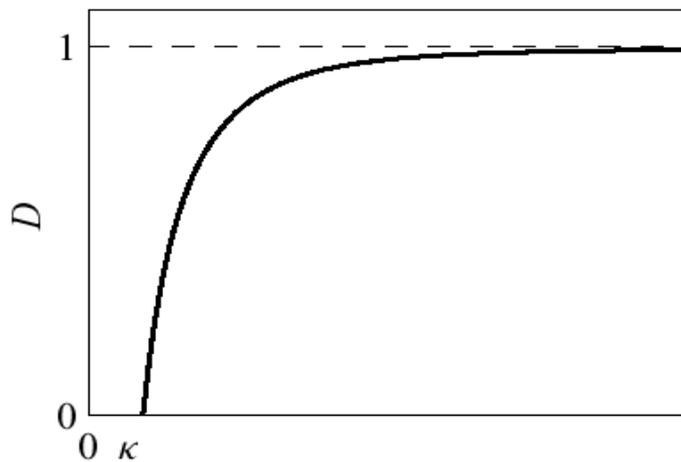
## Damage evolution law

Damage should be a function of the most critical state experienced by the material:  $D = D(\kappa)$

Choice of  $D = D(\kappa)$  → rules the energy dissipated by the irreversible process

Choice of  $D = D(\kappa)$  → ductility/brittleness of the material

Example: exponential evolution for quasi-brittle materials



$\kappa$

R. Peerlings, 1999

$\epsilon$



# Multiaxial damage evolution criterion

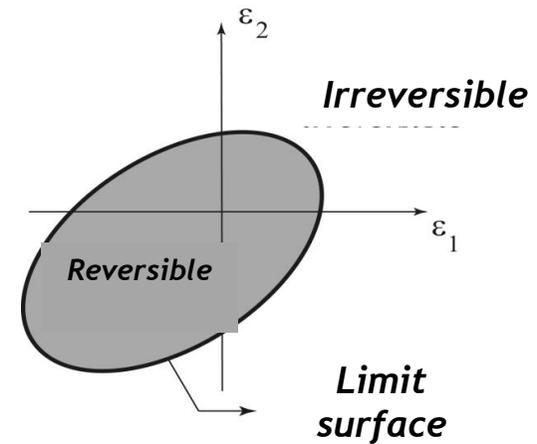
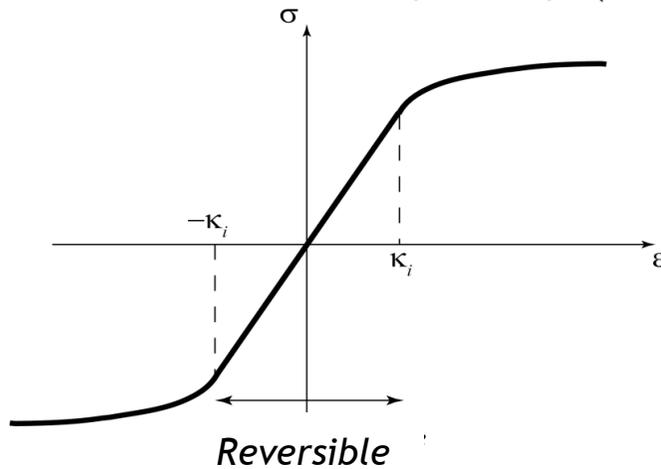
## Multiaxial initial damage criterion

Strain state defined by principal values  $(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3)$

Limited domain of reversible states  $(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3)$  in the current state

The boundary of the reversible domain is described by  $f^d$

$$f^d = f(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3) - \kappa_i = 0$$



$f^d$  is expressed as a function of the invariants of  $a_{ij}$  for isotropic materials (i.e. as a function of the principal values)



# Multiaxial damage evolution criterion

## Multiaxial initial damage criterion

### Shape of the criterion

Reflects the influence of the different components of  $a_{ij}$  on damage (some materials may be more sensible to shear for instance)

Reflects the influence of the loading type (some materials are more sensible to tension than to compression)

### Usual form for scalar damage formulations

$$f^d(a_{ij}, \kappa) = \varepsilon_{eq}(a_{ij}) - \kappa$$

$\varepsilon_{eq}$  is an equivalent deformation measuring the criticality of the strain state

The shape of the function  $\varepsilon_{eq}(a_{ij})$  determines the influence of the components

$\kappa$  is in that case the most critical equivalent strain experienced

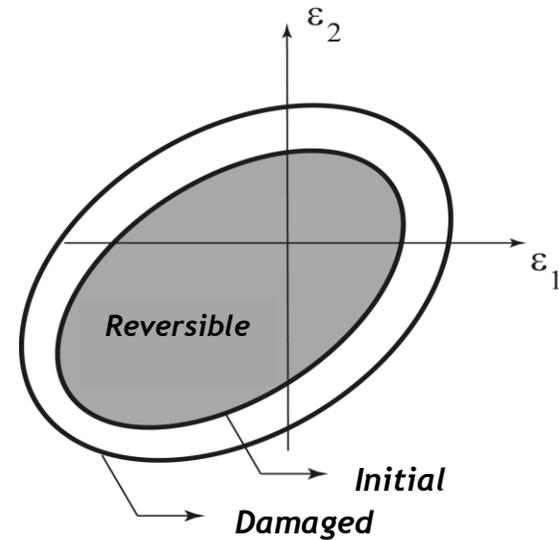
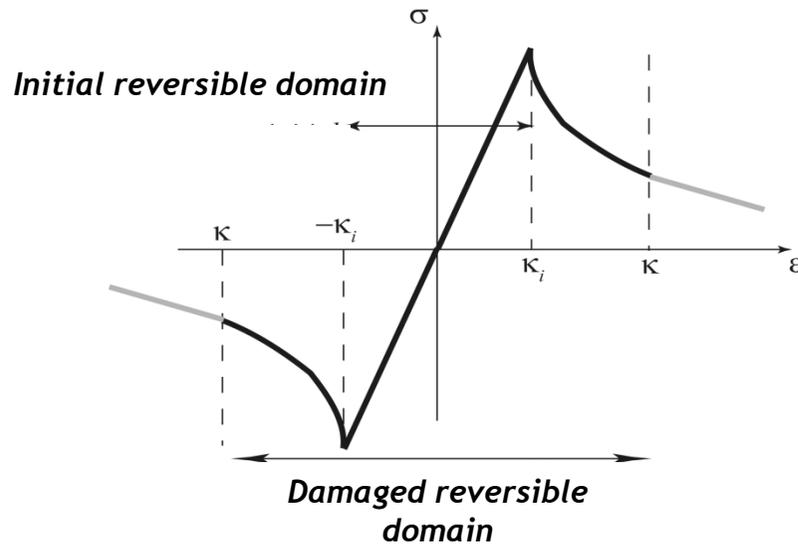


# Multiaxial damage evolution criterion

## Multiaxial criterion evolution

Expansion of the reversible domain in the strain space

$$f^d = f(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3) - \kappa = 0$$



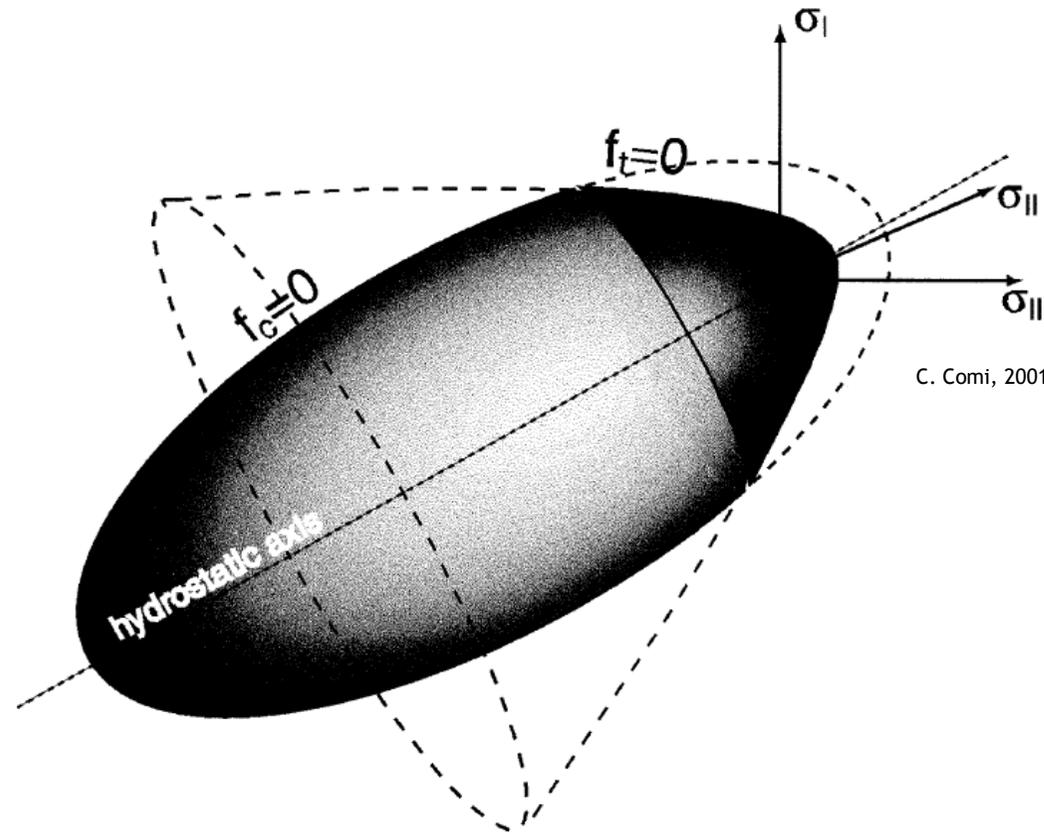
The reversible domain expands in the strain space

The domain of possible stress states may contract



# Multiaxial damage evolution criterion

## Criterion for concrete (3D)



Expressed in stress space  $\longrightarrow$  to translate in strains

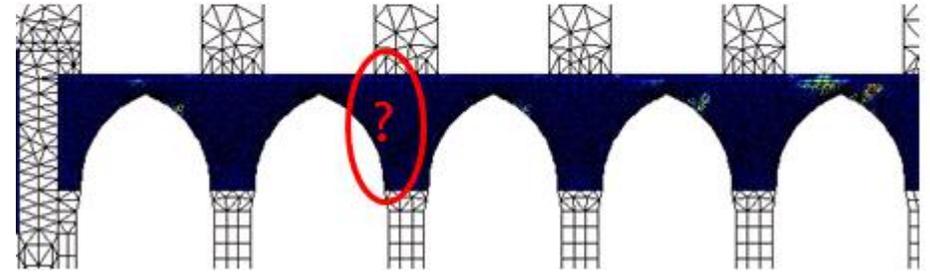
Isotropic criterion (expressed in principal stresses)



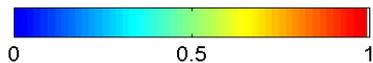
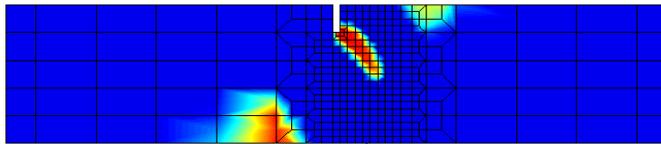
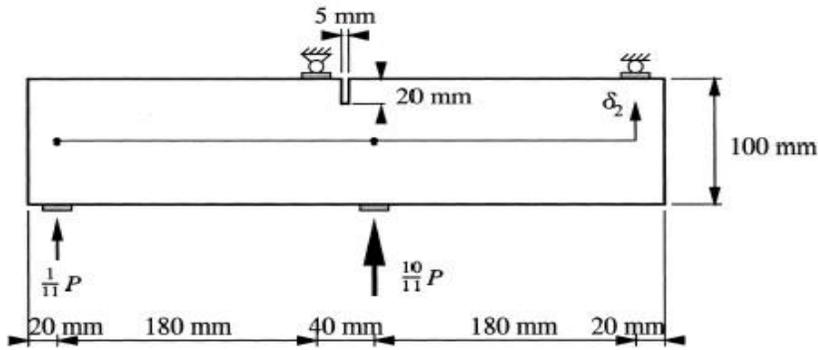
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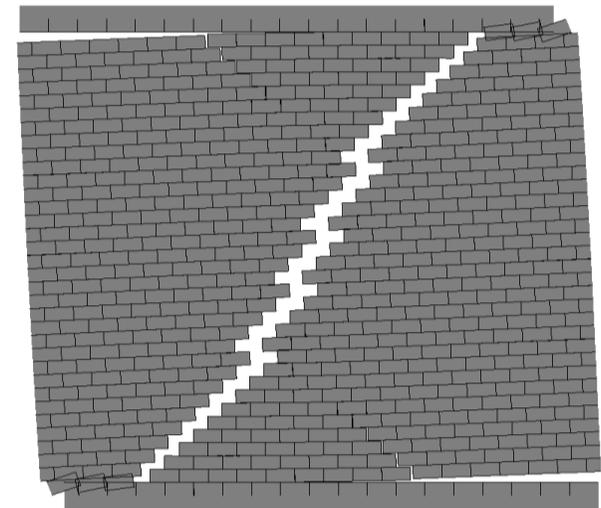
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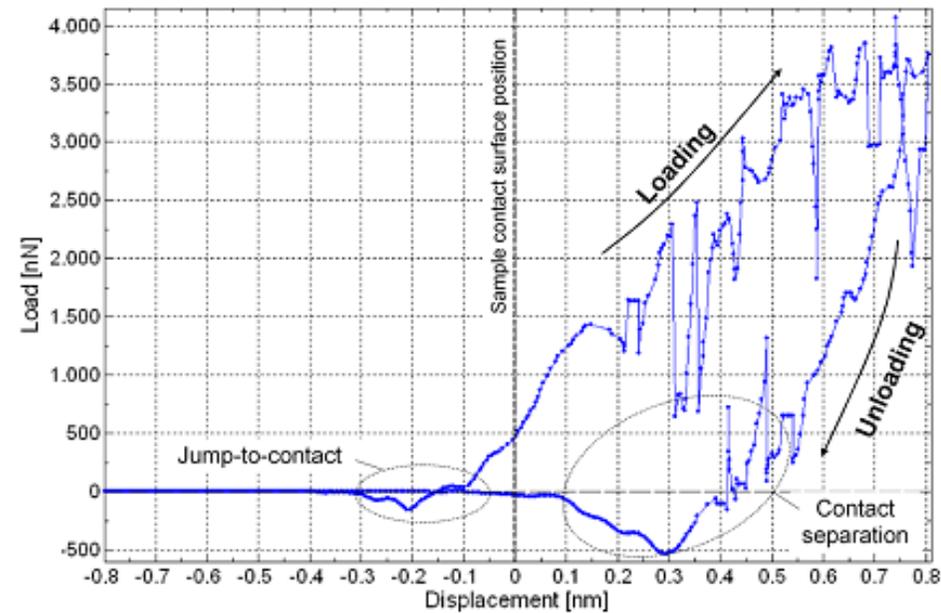
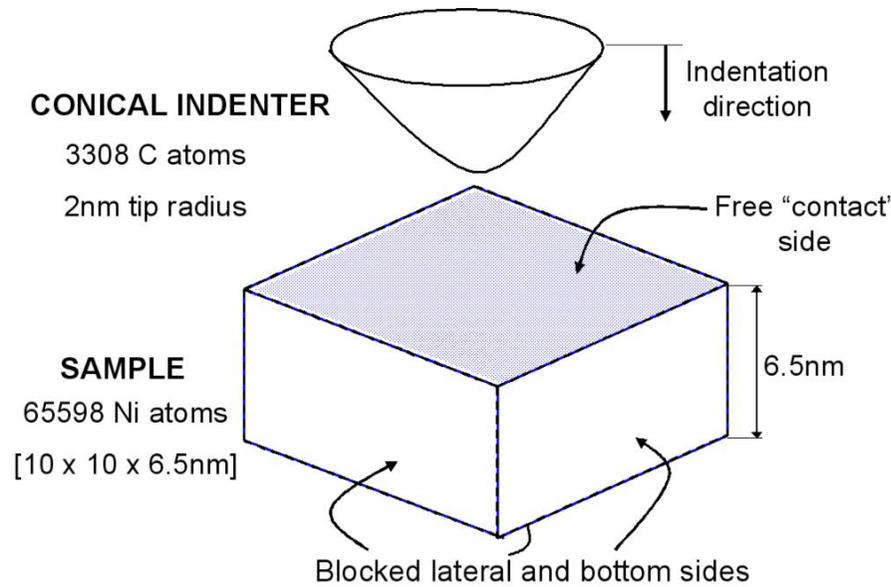
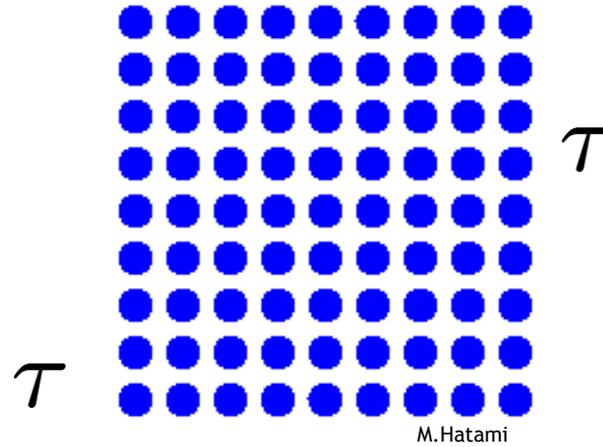


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# Plasticity - Micromechanics





## Plasticity characteristics

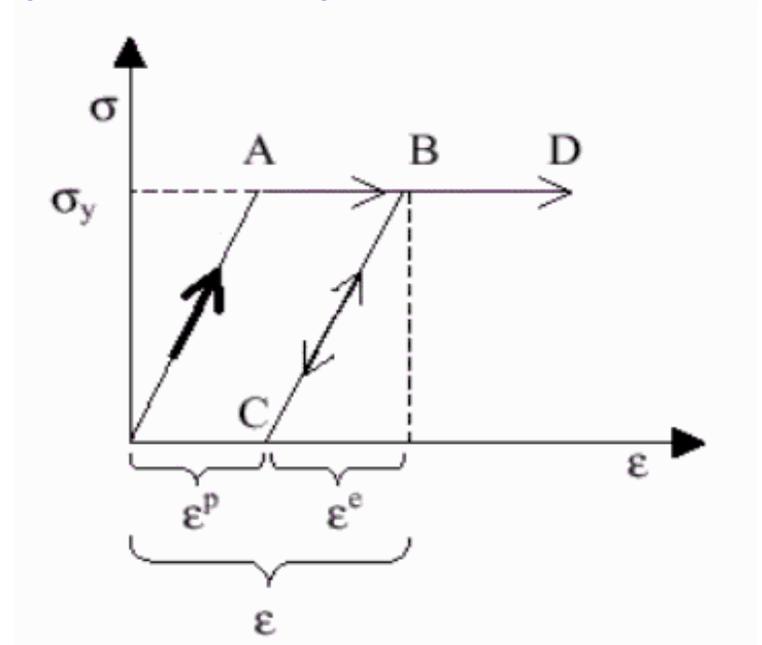
### Micromechanical origins of plasticity

Perfect plasticity: glide of cristallographic planes under constant stress

Irreversibility manifests itself through permanent strains

Reversible stress states (without permanent strains) are limited by the stress level  $\sigma_y$  (states  $\sigma > \sigma_y$  are impossible with permanent strains unchanged)

The decision of the reversibility of a state change can be made **on the stress**

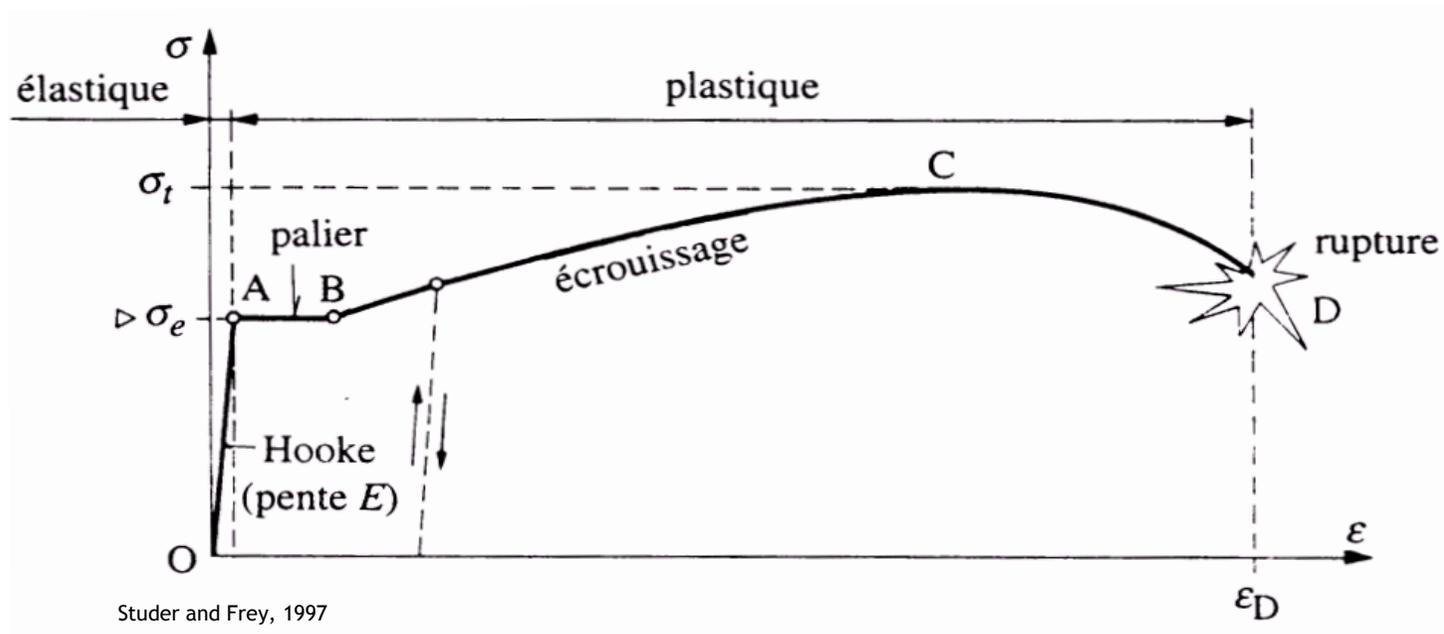


## Plasticity characteristics

### Hardening

Glide of cristallographic planes impeded by dislocations

Increase of  $\sigma$  needed to produce further plastic (permanent) strains

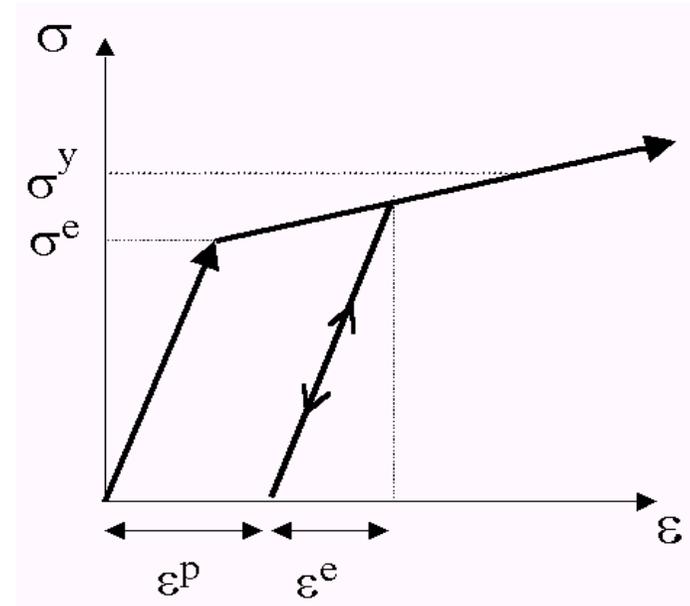


Between B and C, there is an extension of the set of admissible stress states that can occur without further permanent strain increase



## Uniaxial plasticity

**Strain partition**  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon^e + \varepsilon^p$



The plasticity criterion has to be expressed in stress space due to the partition of strains

$$\begin{aligned}
 f^p &= \sigma - \sigma_y(\kappa) = 0 && \rightarrow \text{Increase of } \varepsilon^p \\
 f^p &= \sigma - \sigma_y(\kappa) < 0 && \rightarrow \text{Elastic behaviour} \\
 f^p &= \sigma - \sigma_y(\kappa) > 0 && \rightarrow \text{Non admissible states}
 \end{aligned}$$



## Uniaxial plasticity

### Constitutive relation

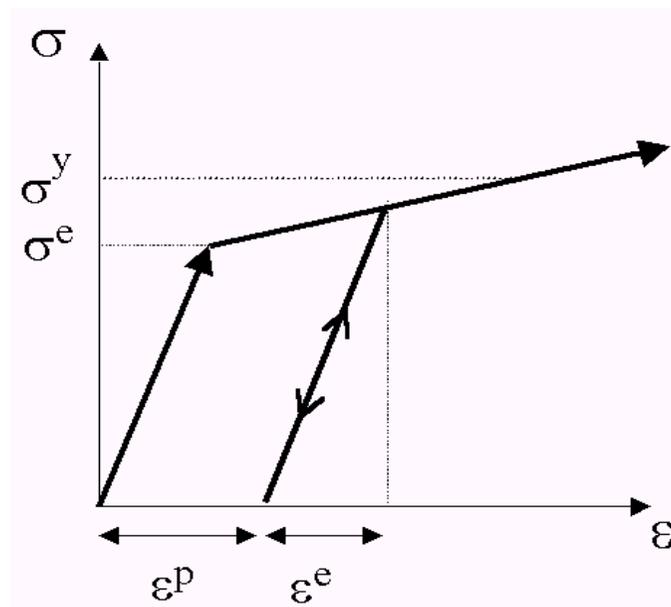
$$\sigma = E \varepsilon^e = E (\varepsilon - \varepsilon^p)$$

### Consistency condition

The point representing the stress state in the stress space has to remain on the reversible domain when plastic strains are increasing

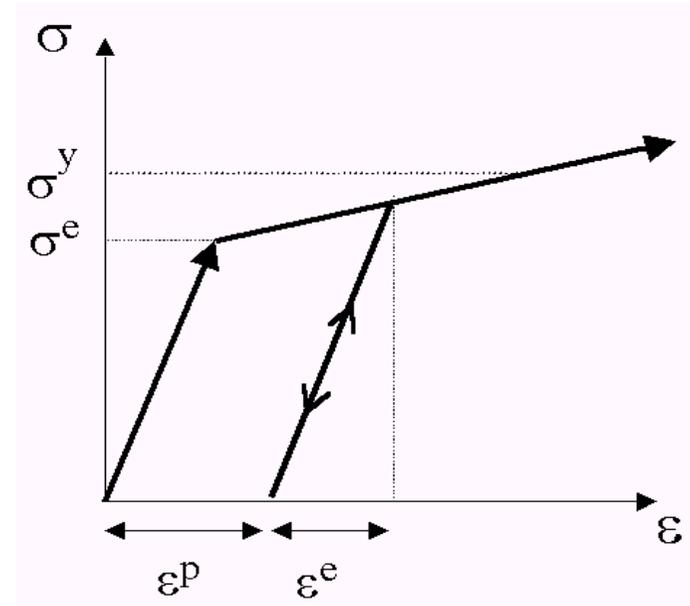
### Hardening

If the stress increases, the boundary of the admissible domain  $f^p$  adapts and the admissible domain expands (if  $\sigma_y(\kappa)$  is an increasing function)





## Uniaxial plasticity



### Hardening parameter $\kappa$

History parameter representing the cumulated effect of plastic dissipation

### Irreversibility quantification

Strain hardening  $\delta\kappa \div \delta\epsilon^p$

Work hardening  $\delta\kappa \div \sigma\delta\epsilon^p$

Hardening law  $\sigma_{hardening} = f(\kappa)$

## Multiaxial plasticity - yield surface

### Yield surface in the space of stresses

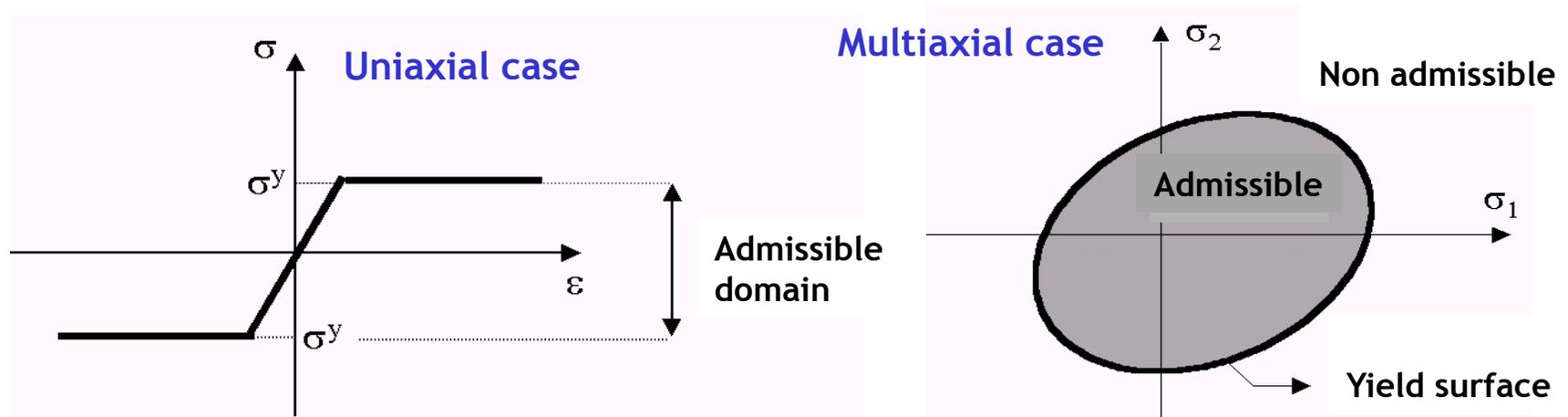
A stress state is defined by principal values  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3)$

The domain of admissible stresses is limited in the state of the material

Shape of such a domain (for an isotropic material)

$$f^P = \sigma_{eq}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3) - \sigma_y(\kappa) = 0$$

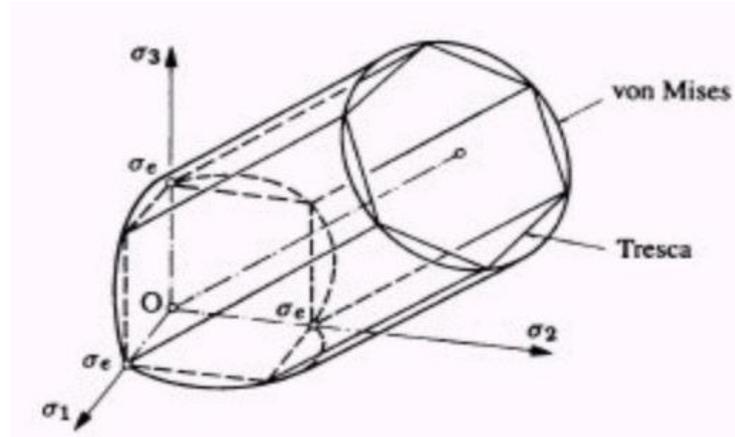
The shape of the domain quantifies the influence of the different components of  $\sigma_{ij}$



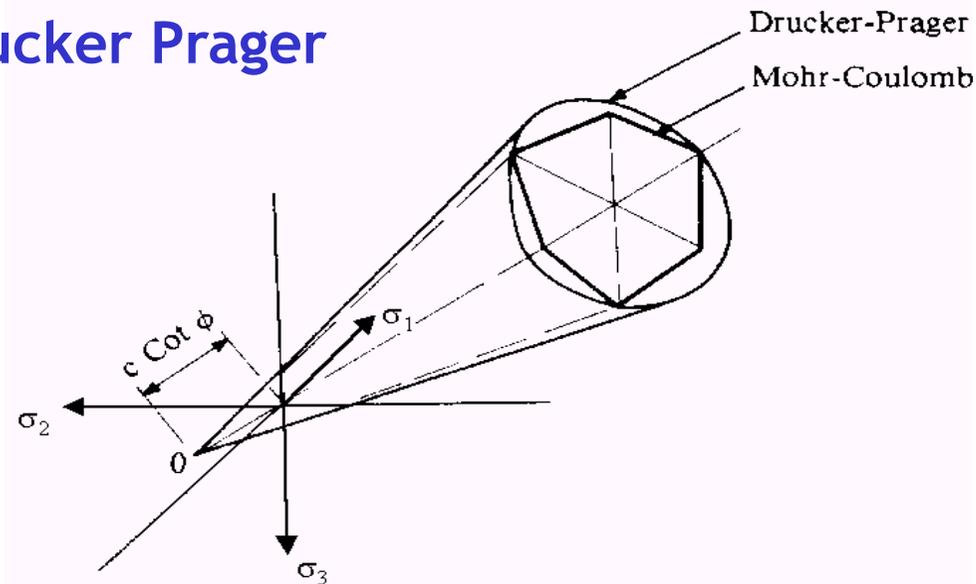


## Multiaxial plasticity - criteria examples (invariants)

### Tresca - von Mises



### Coulomb - Drucker Prager



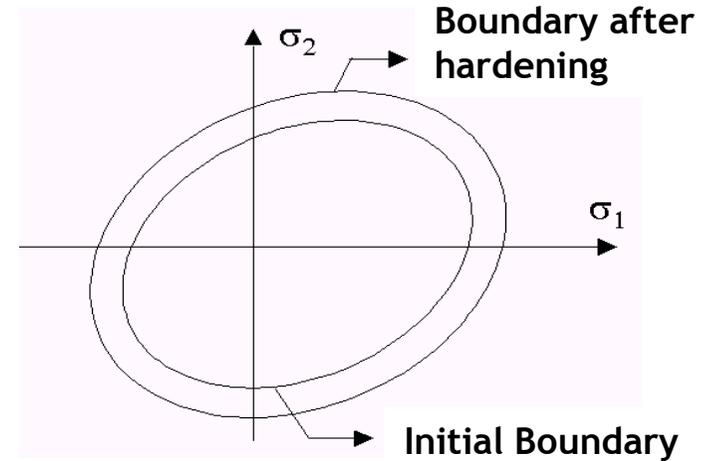
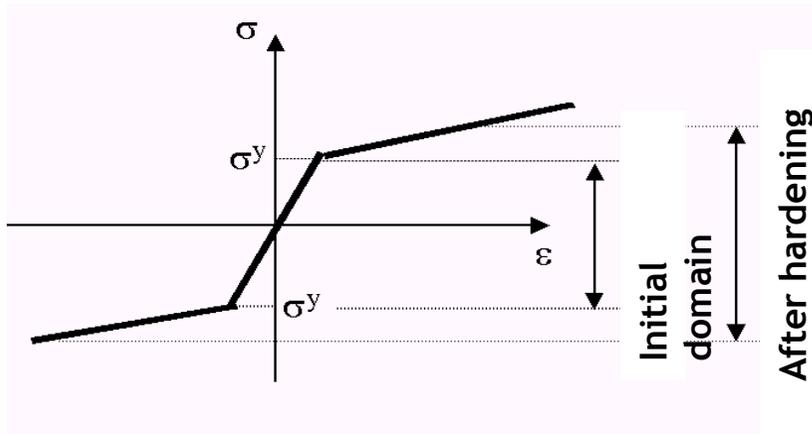
Owen and Hinton, 1980



## Multiaxial plasticity - hardening

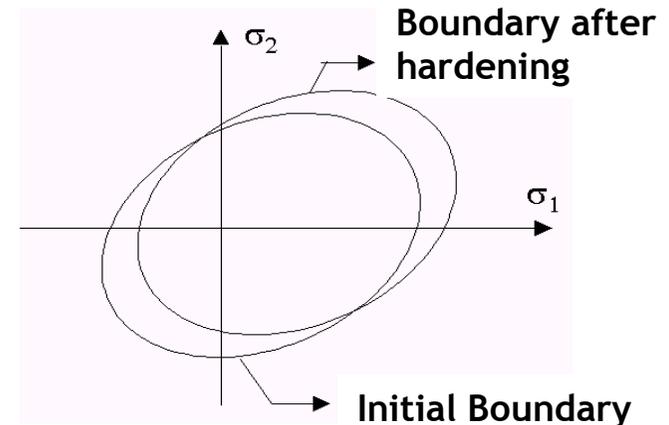
### Isotropic hardening

Expansion of the domain of admissible stresses



### Kinematic hardening (multiaxial)

Translation of the domain of admissible stresses



## Plasticity - multiaxial case

Partition of strains  $\{\varepsilon\} = \{\varepsilon^e\} + \{\varepsilon^p\}$

### Plasticity criterion

$$f^p = \sigma_{eq}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3) - \sigma_y(\kappa) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{Increase of } \varepsilon^p$$

$$f^p = \sigma_{eq}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3) - \sigma_y(\kappa) < 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{Elastic behaviour}$$

$$f^p = \sigma_{eq}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3) - \sigma_y(\kappa) > 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{Non admissible state}$$

‘Direction’ of plastic strains  $\{d\varepsilon^p\} = d\lambda \left\{ \frac{\partial g^p}{\partial \sigma} \right\}$

$g^p$  is called the plastic potential function

$g^p = f^p$  most often chosen for metals

$g^p \neq f^p$  Required for soils, ... when dilatancy occurs

## Plasticity - multiaxial case

### Consistency condition

$$df^p = \left\{ \frac{\partial f^p}{\partial \sigma} \right\} \{d\sigma\} + \frac{\partial f^p}{\partial \kappa} d\kappa = 0$$

### Constitutive relation

$$\{\sigma\} = [H] \{\varepsilon^e\} = [H] (\{\varepsilon\} - \{\varepsilon^p\})$$

### Hardening law

$$\sigma_{hardening} = f(\kappa)$$

### Choice of strain hardening - work hardening law

Boils down to choice of  $d\kappa = f(d\lambda)$



# Plasticity - applications

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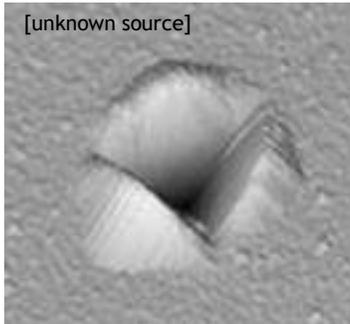
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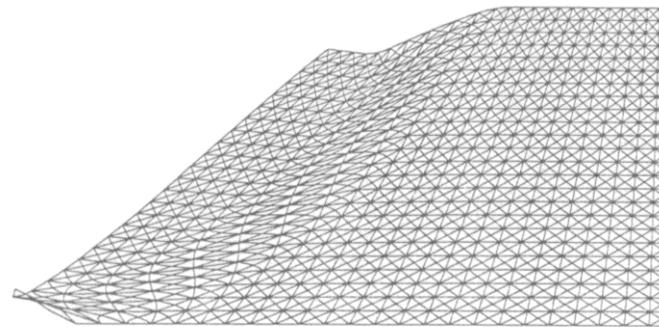
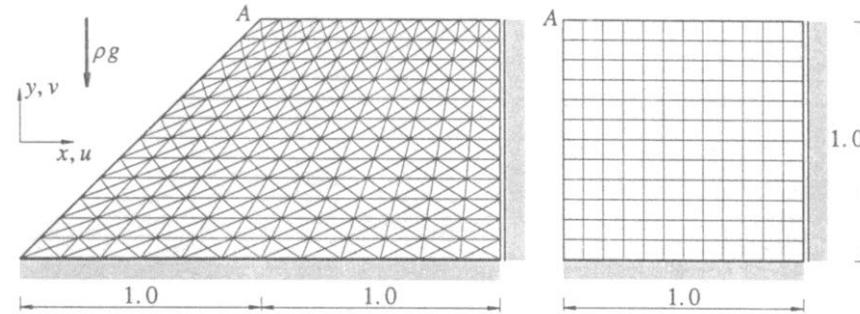
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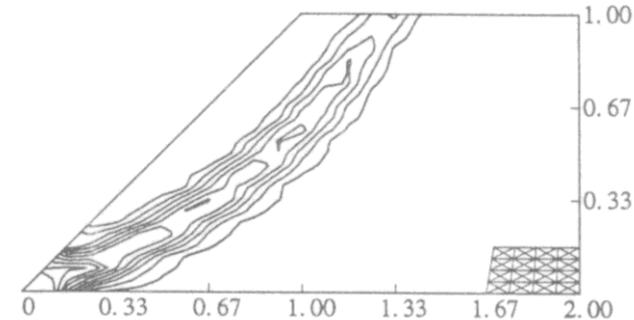
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## Nanoindentation

## Slope stability



Ph.D. Jerzy Pamin (TUDelft, 1994)



## Plastic law with 'nonlocal' effects

## Drucker-Prager criterion (low resistance in tension)