

# Mohr's Circle in three-dimensions

• For a stress state  $[\sigma] = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{xz} \\ \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{yy} & \sigma_{yz} \\ \sigma_{xz} & \sigma_{yz} & \sigma_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$

• The principal stresses are  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \sigma_3$

• For each pair of principal stresses we will have a circle  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ ,  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_3)$  and  $(\sigma_2, \sigma_3)$

For Circle # 1  $\rightarrow (\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$

Center  $C_1 = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}$

Radius  $R_1 = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2}$

For Circle # 2  $\rightarrow (\sigma_2, \sigma_3)$

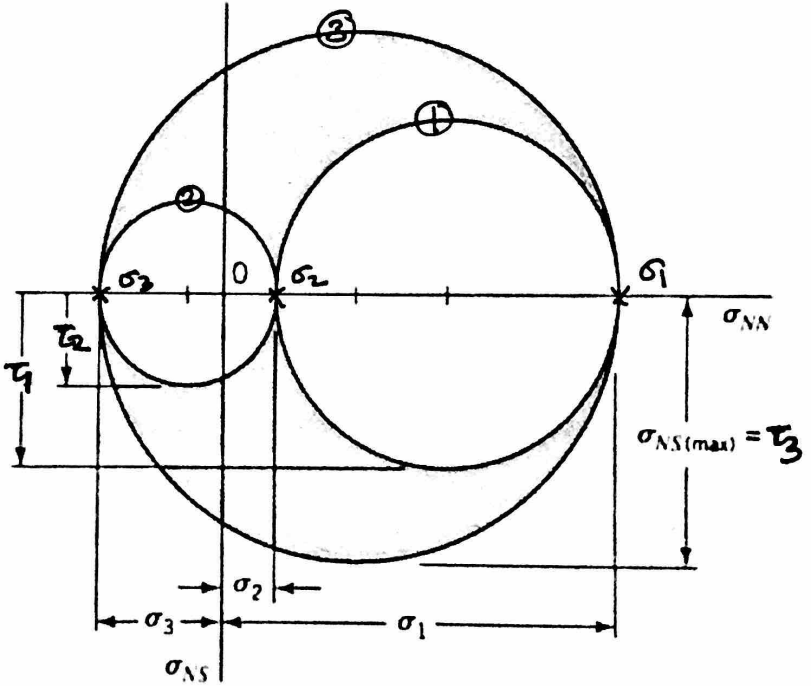
Center  $C_2 = \frac{\sigma_2 + \sigma_3}{2}$

Radius  $R_2 = \frac{\sigma_2 - \sigma_3}{2}$

For Circle # 3  $\rightarrow (\sigma_1, \sigma_3)$

Center  $C_3 = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}$

Radius  $R_3 = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2}$



## Maximum Shear

$\tau_{max} = \text{Radius of circle 3}$

$\tau_{max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2}, \tau_{max} = \frac{\sigma_{max} - \sigma_{min}}{2}$

\* For a plane (P) with a normal vector  $\vec{V}$

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$$\vec{V} = l \hat{i} + m \hat{j} + n \hat{k} \quad \text{, } l, m, n \text{ are on principal coordinate system}$$

\* Then, the normal stress on this plane ( $\sigma_{NN}$ )

$$\sigma_{NN} = l^2 \sigma_1 + m^2 \sigma_2 + n^2 \sigma_3 \quad - (1)$$

\* the shear stress on this plane ( $\sigma_{NS}$ )

$$\sigma_{NS} = \sqrt{l^2 \sigma_1^2 + m^2 \sigma_2^2 + n^2 \sigma_3^2 - \sigma_{NN}^2} \quad - (2)$$

\* From previous lectures

$$l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1 \quad - (3)$$

$$\text{Eq (1)} \Rightarrow \sigma_{NN} = l^2 \sigma_1 + m^2 \sigma_2 + n^2 \sigma_3$$

$$\text{Eq (2)} \Rightarrow \sigma_{NS}^2 - \sigma_{NN}^2 = l^2 \sigma_1^2 + m^2 \sigma_2^2 + n^2 \sigma_3^2$$

$$\text{Eq (3)} \Rightarrow 1 = l^2 + m^2 + n^2$$

$$\text{Matrix Form } [A] \begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_1^2 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_2 \\ \sigma_2^2 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_3 \\ \sigma_3^2 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} l^2 \\ m^2 \\ n^2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_{NN} \\ \sigma_{NS}^2 - \sigma_{NN}^2 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Solve for } \begin{Bmatrix} l^2 \\ m^2 \\ n^2 \end{Bmatrix} \Rightarrow \{X\} = \{b\} [A]^{-1}$$

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$$l^2 = \frac{\sigma_{NS}^2 + (\sigma_{NN} - \sigma_2)(\sigma_{NN} - \sigma_3)}{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)}$$

$$m^2 = \frac{\sigma_{NS}^2 + (\sigma_{NN} - \sigma_1)(\sigma_{NN} - \sigma_3)}{(\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)(\sigma_2 - \sigma_1)}$$

$$n^2 = \frac{\sigma_{NS}^2 + (\sigma_{NN} - \sigma_1)(\sigma_{NN} - \sigma_2)}{(\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)(\sigma_3 - \sigma_2)}$$

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Example:  $[\sigma] = \begin{bmatrix} 120 & -55 & -75 \\ -55 & 55 & 33 \\ -75 & 33 & -85 \end{bmatrix}$

① Find principal stresses

② Construct Mohr's Circle

③ Find Normal & Shear stresses on

(a) Plane A,  $\vec{N}_A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{j} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{k}$

(b) Plane B,  $\vec{N}_B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j}$

Plane A and B are relative to the principal axes.

Solution

① Principal stresses

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

$$I_1 = 90, \quad I_2 = -18,014, \quad I_3 = 471,680$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_1 = 176.80, \quad \sigma_2 = 24.06, \quad \sigma_3 = -110.86$$

② To draw Mohr's Circle we need Centers and Radius

$$C_1 = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{176.80 + 24.06}{2} = 100.43$$

$$R_1 = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} = 76.37$$

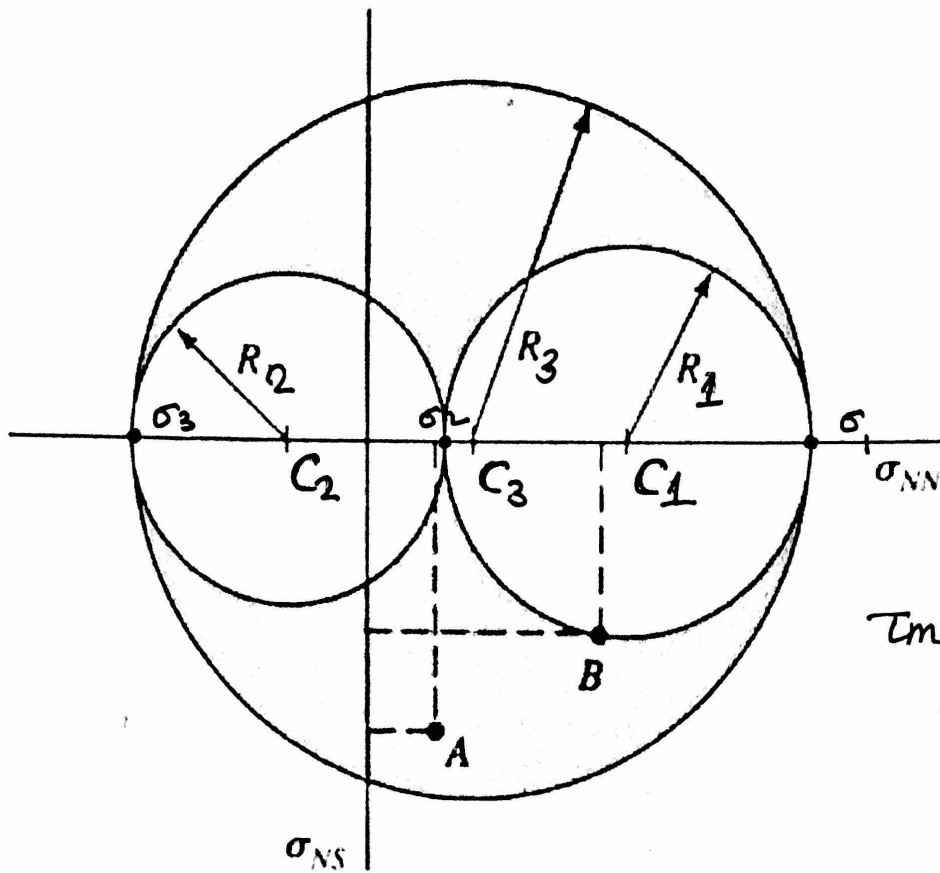
$$C_2 = \frac{\sigma_2 + \sigma_3}{2} = \frac{24.06 + (-110.86)}{2} = -43.40$$

$$R_2 = \frac{\sigma_2 - \sigma_3}{2} = 67.46$$

$$C_3 = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2} = \frac{176.80 + (-110.86)}{2} = 32.97$$

$$R_3 = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2} = 143.83$$

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$$\tau_{max} = R_3 \\ = 143.83$$

(c) Normal & shear stress on plane (A)  $l = m = n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$\text{Normal} \rightarrow \sigma_{NNA} = l^2 \sigma_1 + m^2 \sigma_2 + n^2 \sigma_3 = \frac{1}{3} [(176.80) + 24.06 - 110.86] \\ = 30$$

$$\text{shear} \rightarrow \sigma_{NSA} = \sqrt{l^2 \sigma_1^2 + m^2 \sigma_2^2 + n^2 \sigma_3^2 - \sigma_{NNA}^2} \\ = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} (176.8)^2 + \frac{1}{3} (24.06)^2 + \frac{1}{3} (-110.86)^2 - (30)^2} \\ = 117.51$$

Normal & shear stress on plane (B)  $l = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, m = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, n = 0$

$$\text{Normal } \sigma_{NNB} = 100.43$$

$$\text{Shear } \sigma_{NSB} = 76.37$$