

## MM2MS2 - Mechanics of Solids 2

### Exercise Sheet 2 - Yield Criteria Solutions

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For all questions assume  $\sigma_y = 250$  MPa for steel.

1. Using the Tresca yield criterion, determine the maximum allowable pure torque that can be applied to a 50mm solid circular steel shaft to avoid yield.

**[Ans.: 3068 Nm]**

Assuming a plane stress element on the outer surface of the shaft.

For Tresca,  $\tau_{max} = \frac{\sigma_y}{2}$  at yield, therefore  $\tau_{max} = \frac{250}{2} = 125$  MPa

Recalling  $\tau = \frac{Tr}{J}$ , the value of maximum torque can be calculated by:

$$T = \frac{\tau J}{r}, \text{ where } J = \frac{\pi d^4}{32}$$

$$\text{so, } T = \frac{\tau_{max} \pi d^4}{32r} = \frac{125 \times 10^6 \times \pi \times (50 \times 10^{-3})^4}{32 \times 25 \times 10^{-3}} = \underline{\underline{3068 \text{ Nm}}}$$

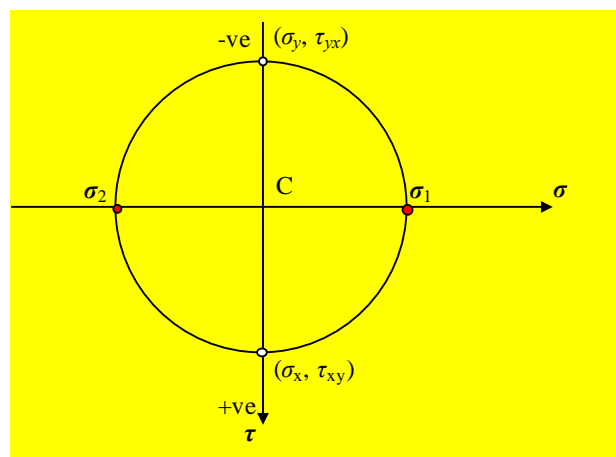
2. Using the von Mises yield criterion, determine the maximum allowable pure torque that can be applied to a 50mm solid circular steel shaft to avoid yield.

**[Ans.: 3534 Nm]**

Assuming a plane stress element on the outer surface of the shaft.

For von Mises,  $\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2^2 = \sigma_y^2$  for a plane stress case.

In the case of pure torsion, considering Mohr's circle, which is centred on the origin:



the principal stresses  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  are the same magnitude. Therefore, we can call this magnitude  $k$  and express the problem as  $3k^2 = \sigma_y^2$  and the magnitude

can be determined by  $k = \frac{\sigma_y}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{250}{\sqrt{3}} = 144$  MPa.

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The magnitudes of the principal stresses in this case also correspond to the maximum allowable shear stress  $\tau_{max}$ , therefore:

$$T = \frac{\tau_{max}\pi d^4}{32r} = \frac{144 \times 10^6 \times \pi \times (50 \times 10^{-3})^4}{32 \times 25 \times 10^{-3}} = \underline{\underline{3534 \text{ Nm}}}$$

3. Calculate the pressure to cause yielding in a steel cylinder, 80 mm diameter, 1 mm thick using:
- the Tresca yield criterion,
  - the von Mises yield criterion.

The cylinder is closed at each end; end effects should be neglected.

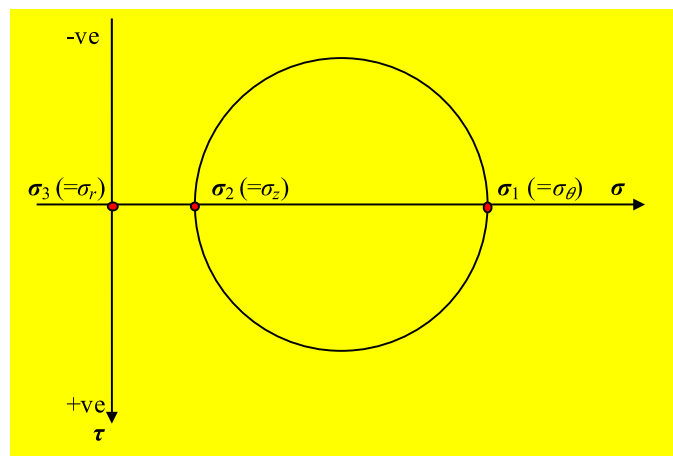
**[Ans.: i) 6.25 MPa; ii) 7.22 MPa]**

Given  $D = 80 \text{ mm}$ ,  $R = 40 \text{ mm}$  and  $t = 1 \text{ mm}$ ,  $\frac{t}{R} < \frac{1}{10}$  therefore the cylinder is thin-walled.

The hoop stress in a thin-walled cylinder is given by  $\sigma_\theta = \frac{pR}{t}$  and the axial stress is given by  $\sigma_z = \frac{pR}{2t}$  and we can assume that the radial stress  $\sigma_r = 0$ .

Applying to this case to determine the pressure  $\sigma_\theta = \frac{pR}{t} = 40p$ ,  $\sigma_z = \frac{pR}{2t} = 20p$ ,  $\sigma_r = 0$

In this case, both  $\sigma_\theta$  and  $\sigma_z$  will be positive and aligned with the principal axes as there is no applied shear stress and the Mohr's circle will (conceptually) be:



i) Note that in this case it is important that we consider the radial stress as the third principal stress where  $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$

For Tresca,  $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 = \sigma_y$  at yield, therefore  $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 = 250 \text{ MPa}$  and as  $\sigma_3 = \sigma_r = 0$ , this means that at yield  $\sigma_1 = 40p = \sigma_y$  and  $p = \frac{250}{40} = \underline{\underline{6.25 \text{ MPa}}}$

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ii) for von Mises,  $\sigma_y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}((\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  at yield, therefore in this case, recalling that  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_\theta = 40p, \sigma_2 = \sigma_z = 20p, \sigma_3 = 0$ :

$$\sigma_y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}((\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}((40p - 20p)^2 + (20p - 0)^2 + (0 - 40p)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(2400p^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\text{or } 250 = 34.64p \text{ or } p = \frac{250}{34.64} = \underline{\underline{7.22 \text{ MPa}}}$$

Directly using the plane stress version of the von Mises criterion ( $\sigma_y^2 = \sigma_1^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2^2$ ):

$$\sigma_y^2 = \sigma_1^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2^2 = 1600p^2 - 800p^2 + 400p^2 = 1200p^2$$

$$\text{or } 250 = 34.64p \text{ or } p = \underline{\underline{7.22 \text{ MPa}}}$$

4. Recalculate the pressure values in question 3 if there is an additional constant axial tensile stress of 150 MPa in the cylinder using:

- i) the Tresca yield criterion,  
 ii) the von Mises yield criterion.

**[Ans.: i) 5 MPa; ii) 5.77 MPa]**

In this case,  $\sigma_r = 0$  and  $\sigma_\theta = 40p$  again, however  $\sigma_z$  will be  $\sigma_z = \frac{pR}{2t} + 150 = 20p + 150$  so in this case, either  $\sigma_\theta$  or  $\sigma_z$  could now be the maximum principal stress,  $\sigma_1$  we can't be sure.

As the Tresca criterion requires that  $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$ , we can make an initial assumption that  $\sigma_\theta$  is  $\sigma_1$  and try the Tresca criterion:

Again  $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 = \sigma_y$ , this would mean again that  $\sigma_1 = 40p = \sigma_y = 250$  and  $p = \frac{250}{40} = 6.25$  MPa. If we put this into the expression for  $\sigma_z = 20p + 150 = 275$  MPa, which is greater than the value of  $\sigma_\theta$  in this case, so this assumption must be wrong.

So, the maximum principal stress,  $\sigma_1$  in this case must be  $\sigma_z$  and this now means that  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_z = 20p + 150, \sigma_2 = \sigma_\theta = 40p, \sigma_3 = 0$ .

As  $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 = 250$  MPa, this means that  $20p + 150 = 250$  or

$$p = \frac{250-150}{20} = \frac{150}{20} = \underline{\underline{5 \text{ MPa}}}$$

A  $\sigma_3 = 0$ , we can directly use the plane stress version of the von Mises criterion ( $\sigma_y^2 = \sigma_1^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2^2$ ):

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$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_y^2 &= \sigma_1^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2^2 = (20p + 150)^2 - 40p(20p + 150) + 40p^2 \\ &= 400p^2 + 6000p + 150^2 - 800p^2 - 6000p + 1600p^2 \\ &= 1200p^2 + 150^2 = 250^2\end{aligned}$$

$$p^2 = \frac{40000}{1200} = 33.3, \text{ which implies } p = \underline{\underline{5.77 \text{ MPa}}}$$

5. What additional torque can be applied about the axis of the cylinder in question 3 if yielding is to occur with an internal pressure of 4.0 MPa using:
- the Tresca yield criterion,
  - the von Mises yield criterion.

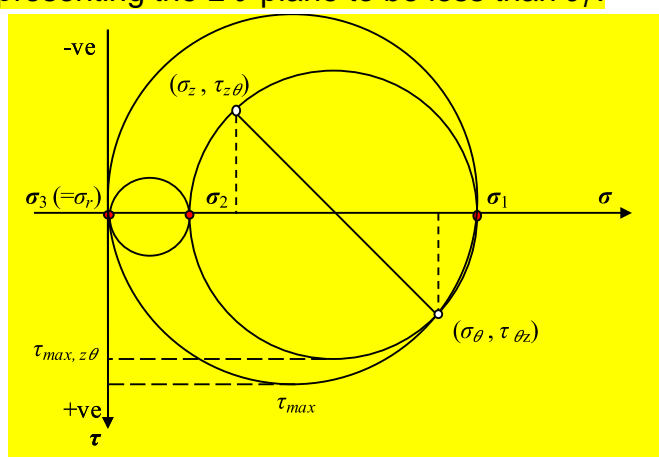
**[Ans.: i) 1146 Nm ii) 1162 Nm]**

It is important here to distinguish between the overall maximum shear stress for the stress state in this case,  $\tau_{max}$ , the maximum in plane shear stress for the  $z-\theta$  plane that were interested in,  $\tau_{max,z\theta}$ , and the shear stress resulting from the torque in this plane  $\tau_{z\theta}$ .

For a plane stress element on the surface, again  $\sigma_r = 0$ ,  $\sigma_\theta = 40p = 160 \text{ MPa}$  and  $\sigma_z = 20p = 80 \text{ MPa}$  and now  $\tau_{z\theta} = \frac{TR}{J}$ . We can also assume that the other shear stresses  $\tau_{rz} = \tau_{r\theta} = 0$ . Also,  $J = \frac{\pi}{32}(D_o^4 - D_i^4)$

As before,  $\sigma_r = 0$  will be one of the principal stresses, but we cannot be sure which one, there are two possibilities for how the 3D Mohr's circle may look in this case (conceptually):

**Possibility 1:** In this case  $T$  is not big enough for the minimum principal stress on the circle representing the  $z-\theta$  plane to be less than  $\sigma_r$ :



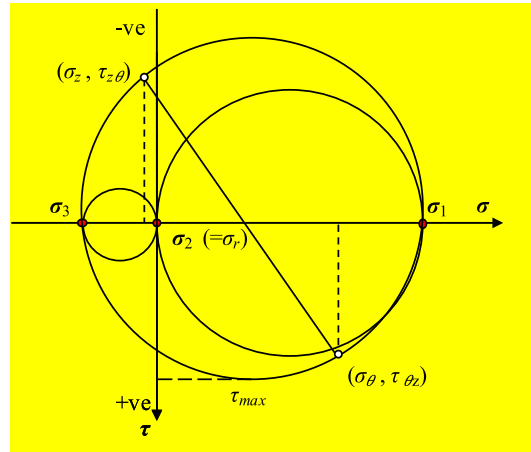
$$\text{In this case, } \tau_{max} = \frac{\frac{\sigma_z + \sigma_\theta}{2} + \tau_{max,z\theta}}{2}$$

$$\text{For Tresca, yield occurs when } \tau_{max} = \frac{\sigma_y}{2} = 125 \text{ MPa}$$

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Therefore, when  $120 + \tau_{max,z\theta} = 250$  MPa or  $\tau_{max,z\theta} = 130$  MPa which is not a feasible solution as the minimum principal stress in this plane would then be  $C - R = 120 - 130 = -10$  MPa, which is less than  $\sigma_r = 0$

**Possibility 2:**  $T$  is large enough for the minimum principal stress in the  $z-\theta$  plane to be less than  $\sigma_r$ :



therefore for Tresca,  $\tau_{max} = \tau_{max,z\theta} = 125$  MPa and  $\tau_{max} = \tau_{max,z\theta} =$

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_\theta - \sigma_z}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{z\theta}^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{80}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\pi RT}{32(D_o^4 - D_i^4)}\right)^2} = \sqrt{40^2 + \left(\frac{32RT}{\pi(D_o^4 - D_i^4)}\right)^2} = 125 \text{ MPa,}$$

which gives  $T = \underline{1146 \text{ Nm}}$

For von Mises, in plane stress ( $\sigma_r = 0$ ) we can let  $\sigma_1 = 120 + \sqrt{\tau^2 + 40^2}$ ,  $\sigma_2 = 120 - \sqrt{\tau^2 + 40^2}$  and  $\sigma_3 = 0$  and use  $\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2^2 = \sigma_y^2$

As  $\sigma_1 = C + R$  and  $\sigma_2 = C - R$ , this means that  $\sigma_y^2 = C^2 + 3R^2$  or  $250^2 =$

$$120^2 + 3\tau_{max}^2, \text{ rearranging gives } \tau_{max}^2 = \frac{250^2 - 120^2}{3} = 126.6 \text{ MPa}$$

This means that in this case,  $\sqrt{40^2 + \left(\frac{32RT}{\pi(D_o^4 - D_i^4)}\right)^2} = 126.6$  MPa, which gives

$T = \underline{1162 \text{ Nm}}$