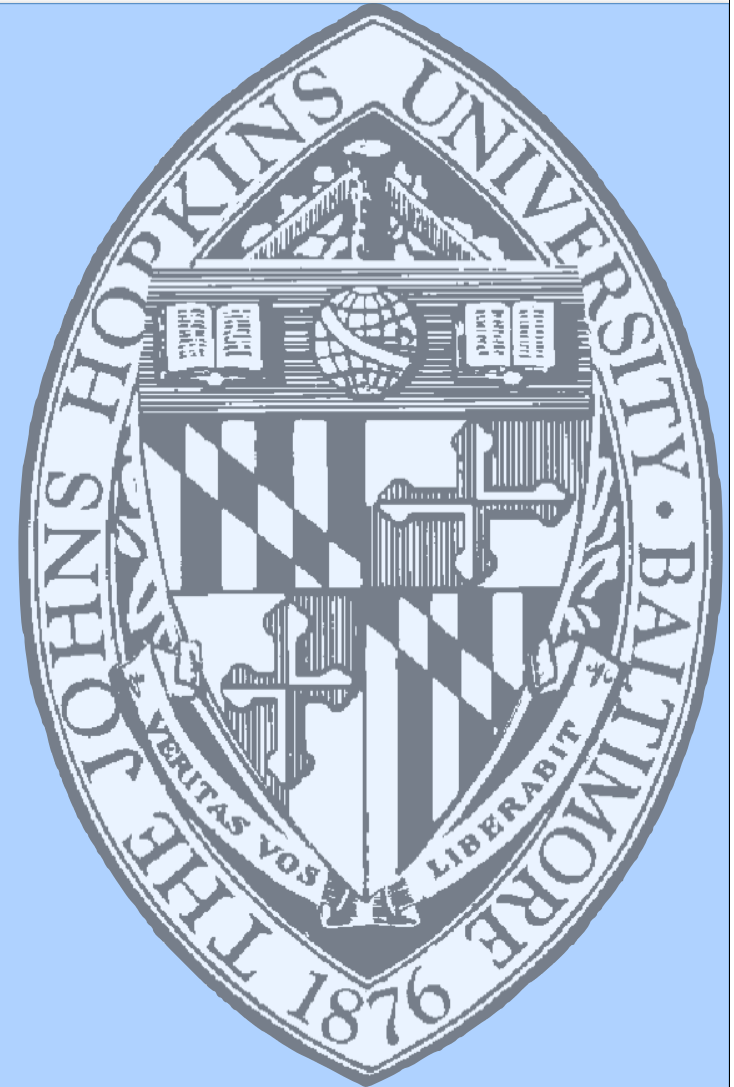


Phenomenological Approaches to Elasto- Plastic Properties of Glasses: STZ Theory

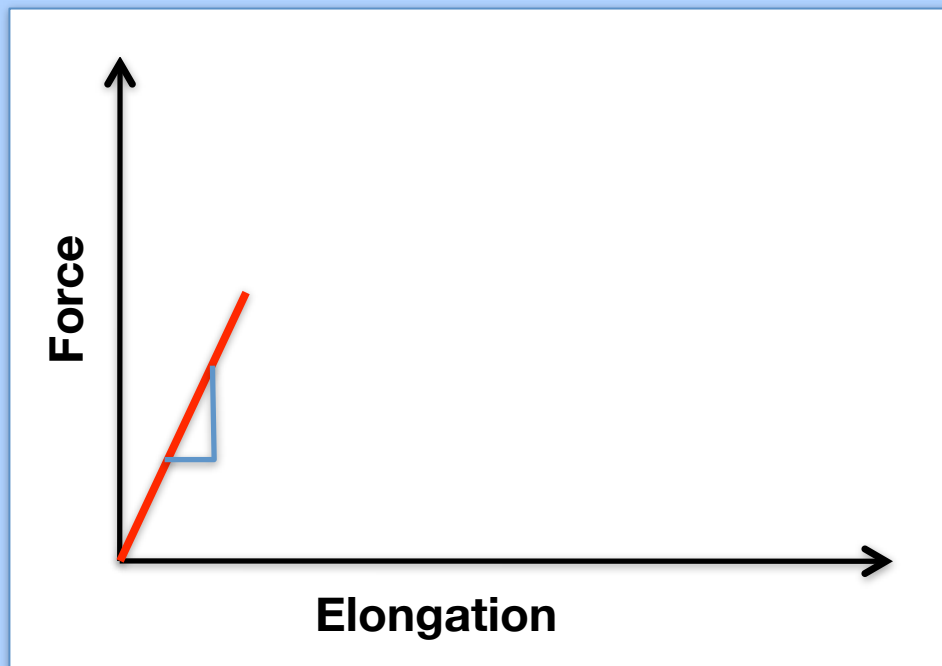
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Typical Mechanical Behavior

- What quantities can we measure that give measures of a material's response?
 - Elastic modulus – stiffness

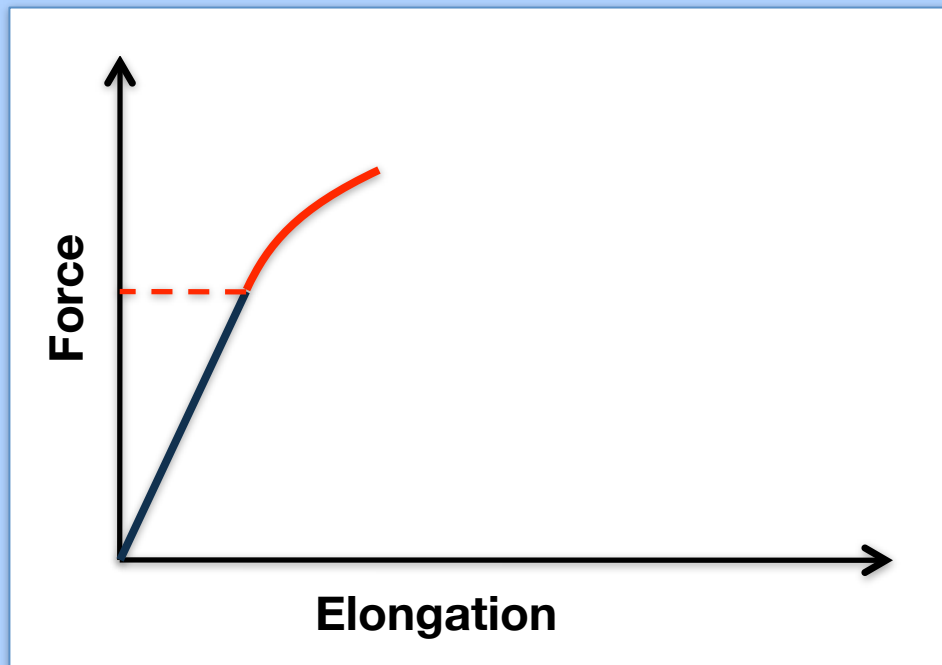


Outline of Lecture 1

- **Review of Mechanical Properties**
- **Commentary on Goals**
- **Mechanics of Plasticity**
- **Shortcomings of Established Theories**
- **Eyring Rate Theories of Plasticity**
- **STZ Theory**

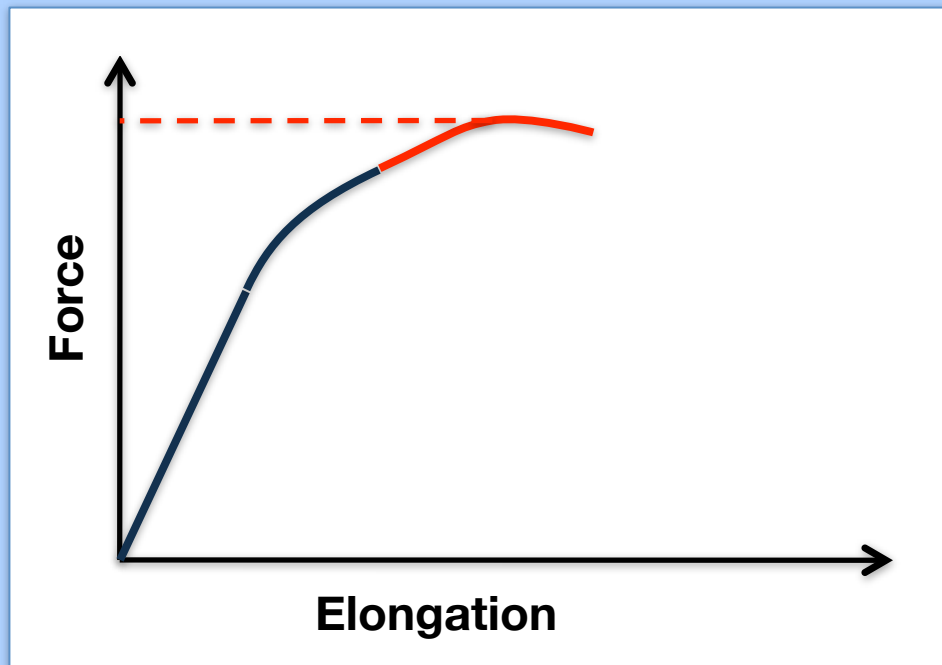
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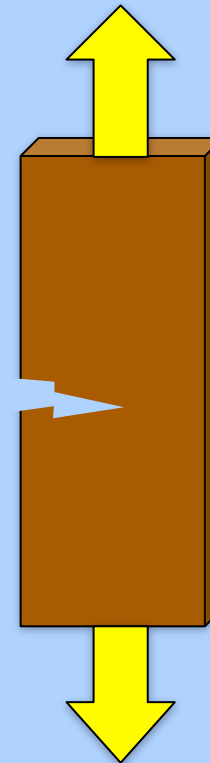
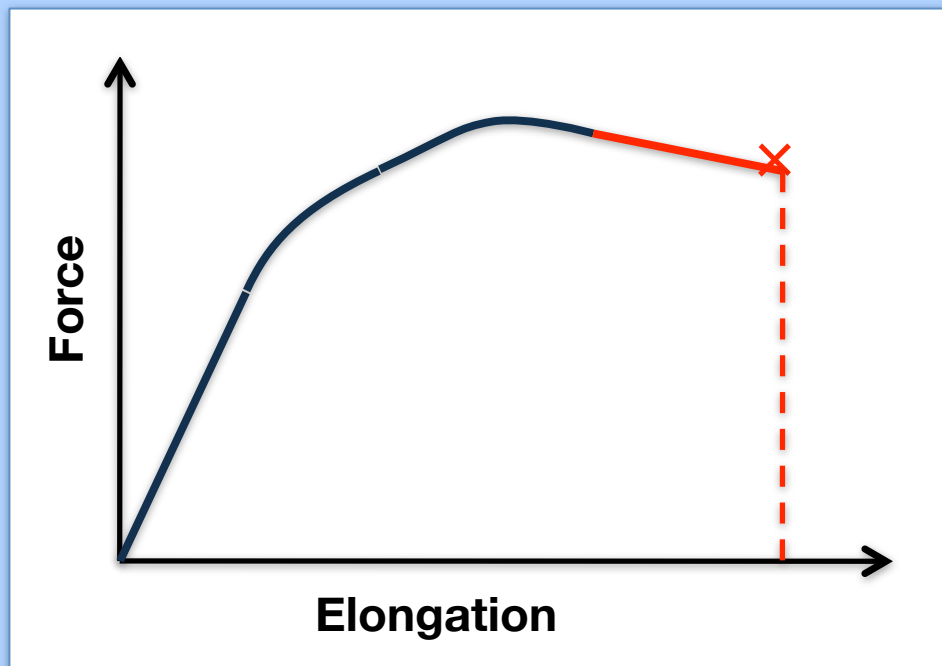
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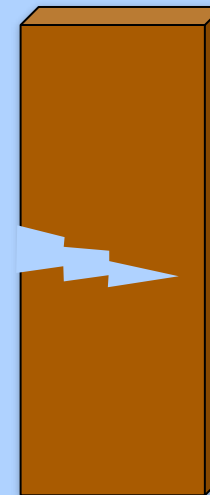
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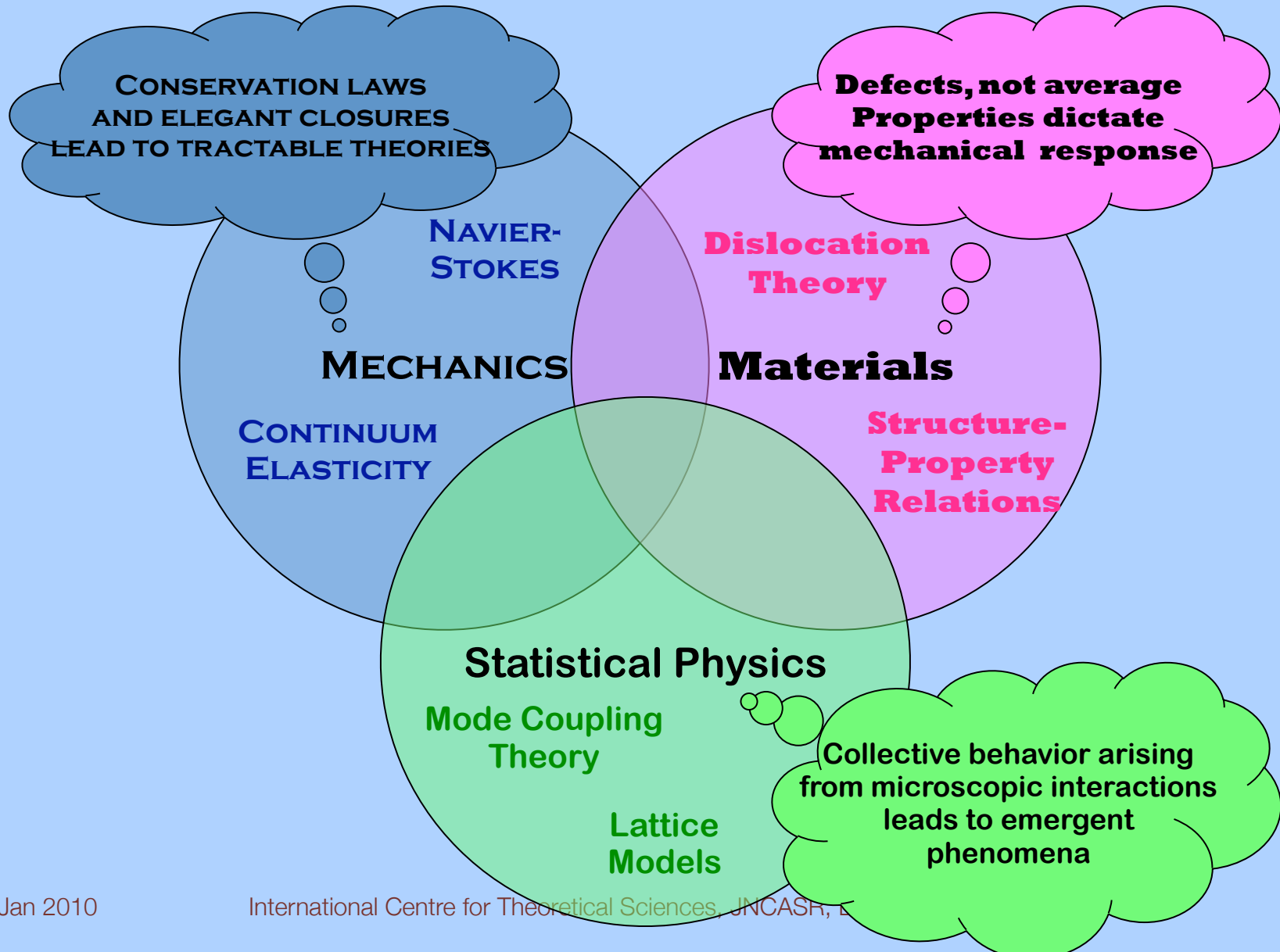
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 - Toughness – Energy expended per unit crack advance



Characterizing Materials

- Different loadings can produce different values.
- What quantities can we measure that give invariant measures of a material's response?
 - How do we define and quantify these?
 - What are the origins of these properties?
 - Can we predict these from first principles?
 - Fundamentally, how do we express material response?

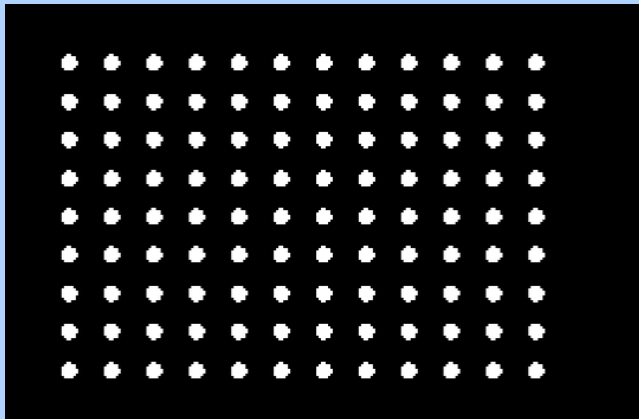
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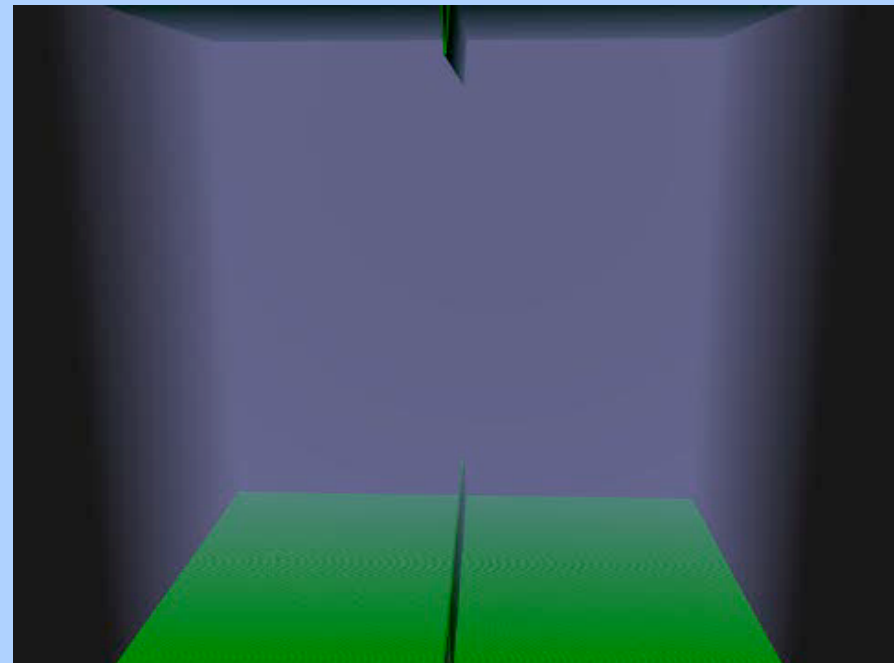
The Grand Challenge

- How do we connect **macro-scale theory** to **micro-scale physics**?

Crystals



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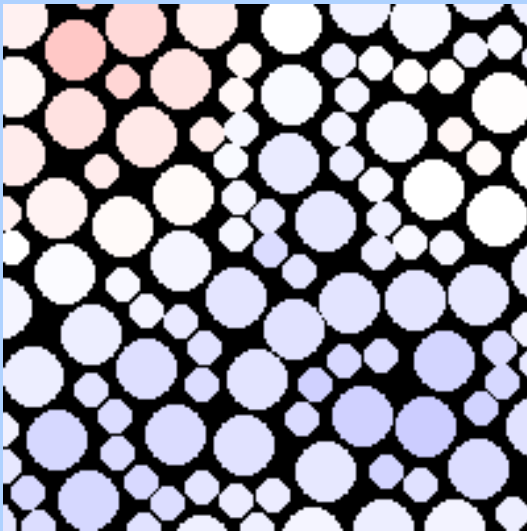


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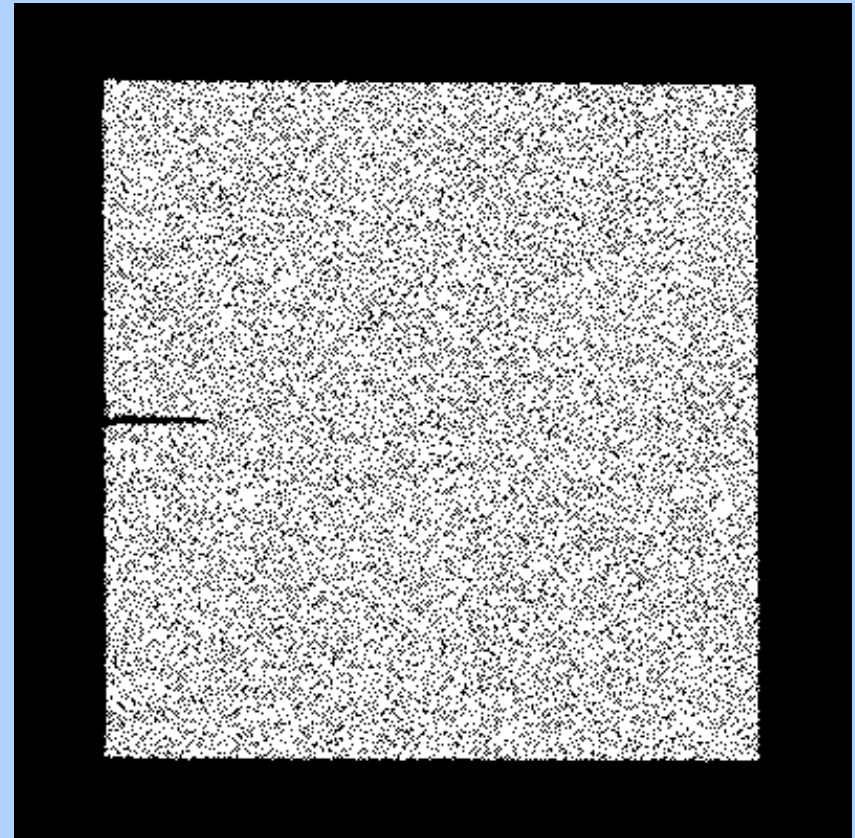
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Amorphous Solids



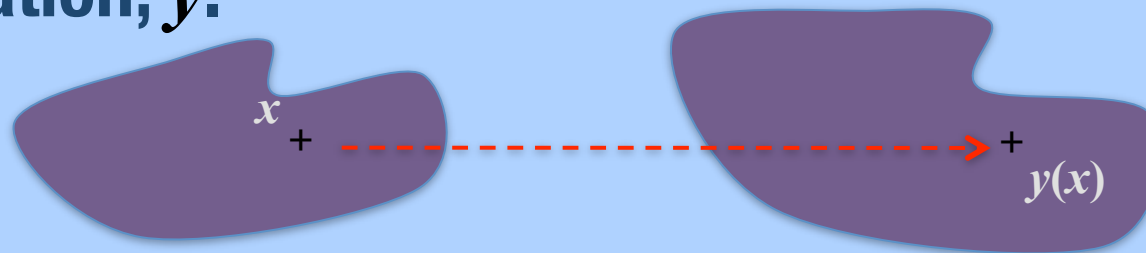
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Fundamentals: Strain

- Consider a body, where each material point is denoted in space by its initial location, x .
- After deformation each material point is at a new location, y .



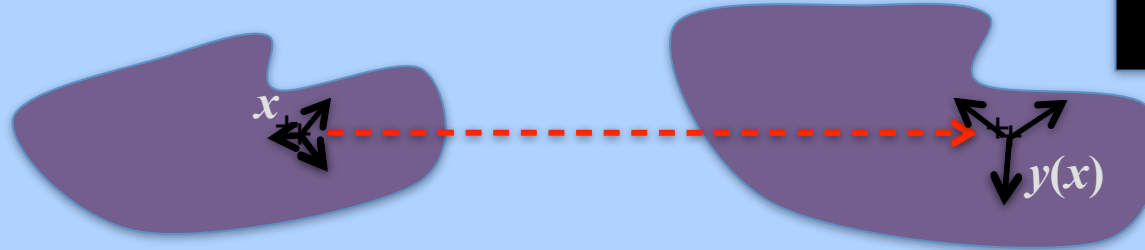
- Define the **displacement** as $u(x)=y(x)-x$
- Define the **deformation gradient** at x as the 3x3 tensor $\mathbf{F} = \nabla y(x)$ or equivalently $F_{ij} = \partial y_i / \partial x_j$

Fundamentals: Strain

- The **deformation gradient**, \mathbf{F} , can be used to map a small displacement on the original body to the deformed body as

$$\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x} + \delta \mathbf{e}) = \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla \mathbf{y} \delta \mathbf{e} + O(\delta^2)$$

\mathbf{e} is a unit vector



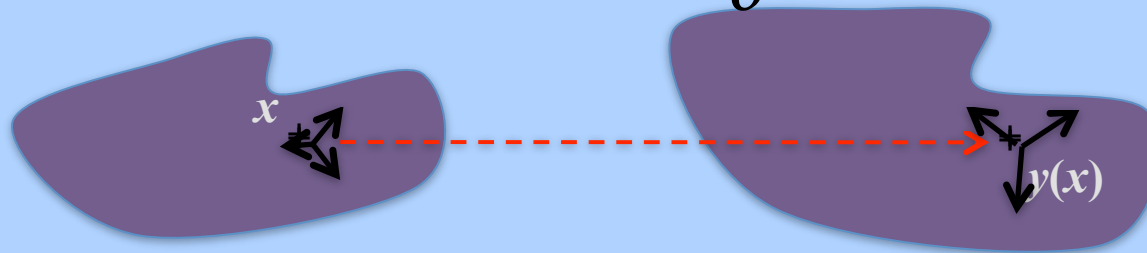
- In other words $\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x} + \Delta \mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}) \approx \mathbf{F} \Delta \mathbf{x}$
- Any orthonormal frame $(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3)$ becomes a linearly independent triad $(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{F}\mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{F}\mathbf{e}_3)$ in the deformed body
- The determinant of this new triad gives the local change in volume due to deformation.

$$\det \mathbf{F} = \frac{V + \Delta V}{V}$$

Fundamentals: Strain

- We can also use this formalism to extract the changes in length to first order

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{|y(x + \delta e) - y(x)|^2}{\delta^2} = \mathbf{F}e \cdot \mathbf{F}e = \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F}$$



- If the body is rigid then \mathbf{F} must be a rotation and $\mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{I}$
- Under more general conditions the on-diagonal terms in the matrix $\mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F}$ are related to **length changes of “fibers”** along the principal axes, while the off-diagonal elements are related to **changes in angles between these “fibers”**.

Fundamentals: Strain

- The object $\mathbf{C}=\mathbf{F}^T\mathbf{F}$ is known as the **Green deformation tensor**
- We can define the **Lagrangian strain** $\mathbf{E}=\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{C}-\mathbf{I})$
- Defined in the undeformed body's coordinates.

$$E_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_j} \right]$$

Lagrangian Strain

$$E_{ij}^* = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial y_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial y_i} - \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial y_i} \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial y_j} \right]$$

Eulerian Strain

- Strain can be defined in the deformed body's coordinates. This is known as the **Eulerian strain**
- It is typical to consider deformation of solid bodies in a Lagrangian framework.
- Fluid mechanics is typically considered in an Eulerian framework.

Fundamentals: Strain

- For applications in which the deformation is small, the third term on the RHS is negligible and the deformation can be expressed in terms of an **“infinitesimal strain”**

$$E_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_j} \right]$$

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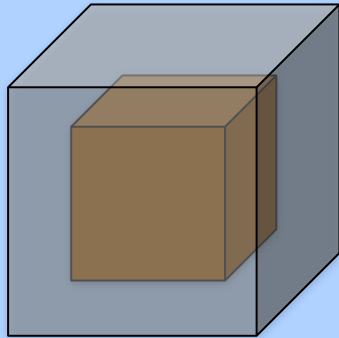
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Infinitesimal Strain

Fundamentals: Strain

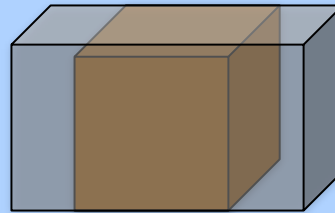
Uniform Dilation



$$u(x) = \alpha(x - x_0)$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

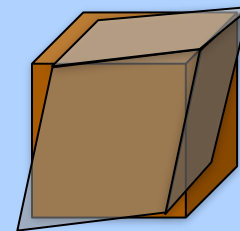
Simple Extension



$$u(x) = \lambda[e_1 \cdot (x - x_0)]e_1$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pure Shear



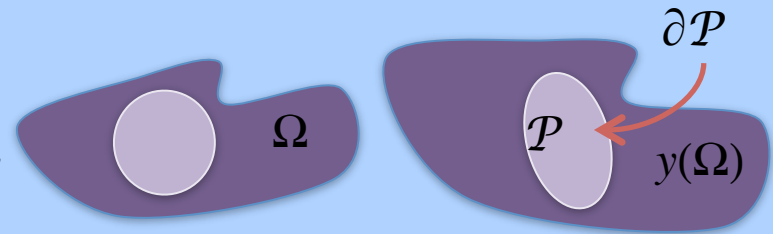
$$u(x) = \gamma \{ [e_1 \cdot (x - x_0)]e_2 + [e_2 \cdot (x - x_0)]e_1 \}$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \gamma & 0 \\ \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Fundamentals: Stress

- The forces on a body can be separated into body and surface forces

$$F(\mathcal{P}) = \int_{\mathcal{P}} b(y) dV_y + \int_{\partial\mathcal{P}} s(y, n(y)) dA_y = \int_{\mathcal{P}} \rho(y) \ddot{u}(y) dV_y$$



- Cauchy's Theorem: \exists a sym. tensor σ_{ij} such that

$$s(y, n(y)) = \sigma(y) \cdot n(y)$$

- Which, by the divergence theorem implies that

$$0 = \int_{\mathcal{P}} [\rho(y) \ddot{u}(y) - b(y) - \nabla \cdot \sigma] dV_y \quad \rho \ddot{u}_i = b_i + \frac{\partial \sigma_{ij}}{\partial x_j}$$

- In equilibrium this reduces to

$$b_i + \frac{\partial \sigma_{ij}}{\partial x_j} = 0$$

Fundamentals: Thermodynamics

- Work done (integrate force x velocity)

$$\mathcal{W} = \int_{\mathcal{P}} \left[b_i \dot{u}_i + \frac{\partial \sigma_{ij}}{\partial x_j} \dot{u}_i \right] dV = \int_{\mathcal{P}} \left[b_i \dot{u}_i - \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial \dot{u}_i}{\partial x_j} \right] dV = \int_{\mathcal{P}} [b_i \dot{u}_i - \sigma_{ij} \dot{\epsilon}_{ij}] dV$$

- If energy stored in the material per unit volume is denoted ψ then the energy dissipated is

$$\mathcal{D} = \int_{\mathcal{P}} [b_i \dot{u}_i - \sigma_{ij} \dot{\epsilon}_{ij} - \dot{\psi}] dV \geq 0$$

The Missing Ingredients

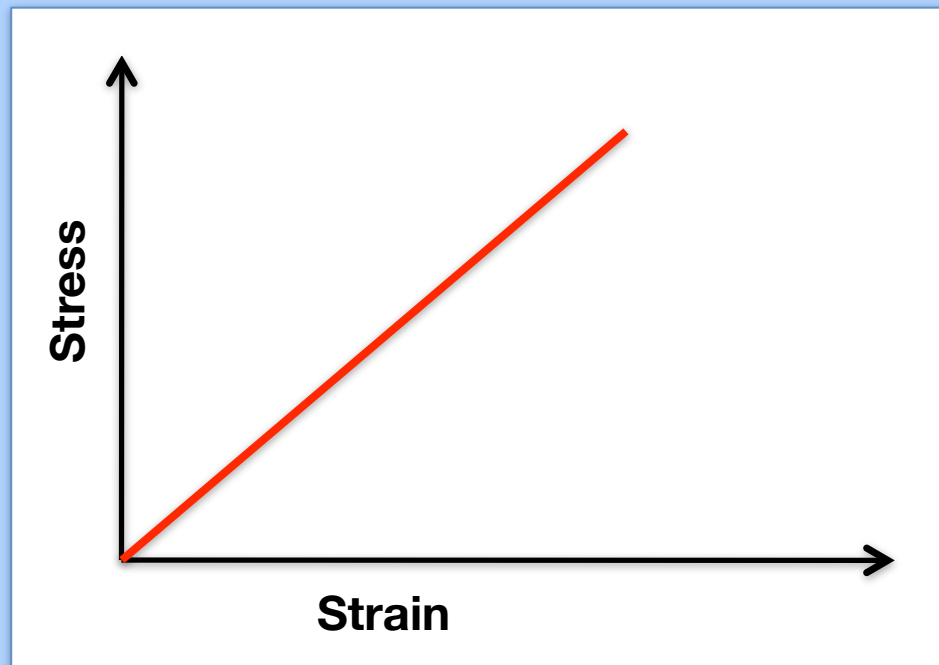
- At this point, assuming 3D, we have a **displacement field** from which we can derive the strain (3 unknowns)
- We have a **stress** (6 unknowns)
- We also have **equilibrium** (3 equations)
- Since the problem remains **underdetermined** we need a set of equations that will relate the stresses to the strains, and thereby to the displacement field.
- These equations are known as **constitutive equations**.

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right]$$

$$b_i + \frac{\partial \sigma_{ij}}{\partial x_j} = 0$$

Linear Elasticity

- Linear elasticity is the simplest constitutive equation and assumes proportionality between stress and strain



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$$\sigma_{ij} = C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{kl}, \quad \sigma_{ij} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \varepsilon_{ij}}$$

- If the material is isotropic this reduces to a simpler equation

$$\sigma_{ij} = 2\mu \varepsilon_{ij} + \lambda \varepsilon_{kk} \delta_{ij}$$

- Here μ is the shear modulus and the bulk modulus K is related to μ and λ by

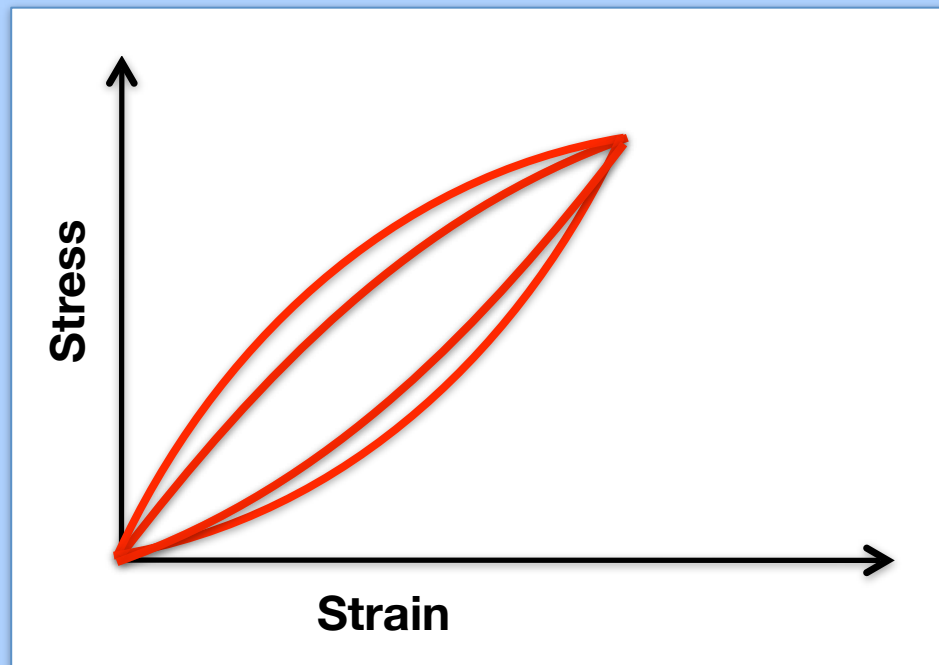
$$\frac{1}{3} \sigma_{ii} = \left(\frac{2}{3} \mu + \lambda \right) \varepsilon_{ii} = K \varepsilon_{ii}$$

- Since the energy per unit volume is given by $\psi = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{ij} C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{kl}$ assuming no body forces

$$\mathcal{A} = \sigma_{ij} \dot{\varepsilon}_{ij} - \dot{\psi} = 0$$

Viscoelasticity

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$$\sigma_{ij} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \epsilon_{ij}} + \sigma_{ij}^{diss}$$

- To assure compliance with 2nd law of thermodynamics

$$\mathcal{A} = \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \epsilon_{ij}} + \sigma_{ij}^{diss} \right) \dot{\epsilon}_{ij} - \dot{\psi} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \epsilon_{ij}} \dot{\epsilon}_{ij} + \sigma_{ij}^{diss} \dot{\epsilon}_{ij} - \dot{\psi} = \sigma_{ij}^{diss} \dot{\epsilon}_{ij} \geq 0$$

- One reasonable choice would be

$$\sigma_{ij}^{diss} = \eta \dot{\epsilon}_{ij}$$

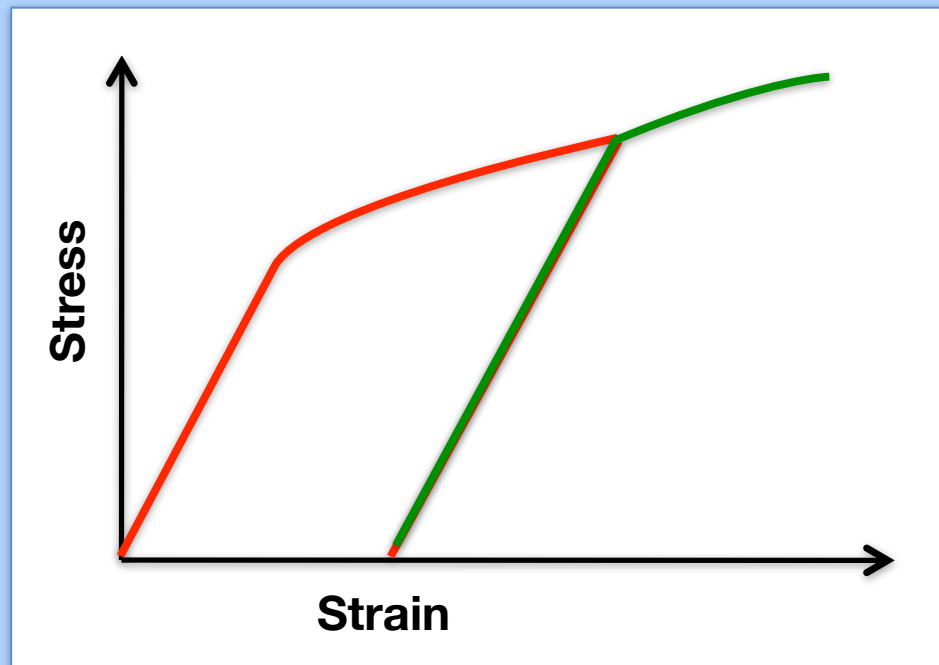
- Which we could cast as a “dissipative potential”

$$\phi = \frac{1}{2} \eta \dot{\epsilon}^2, \quad \sigma^{diss} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \dot{\epsilon}}$$

- Any choice of ϕ that is convex and minimized at 0 will satisfy thermodynamics

Plasticity

- In plasticity (as opposed to elasticity) the material deforms irreversibly.

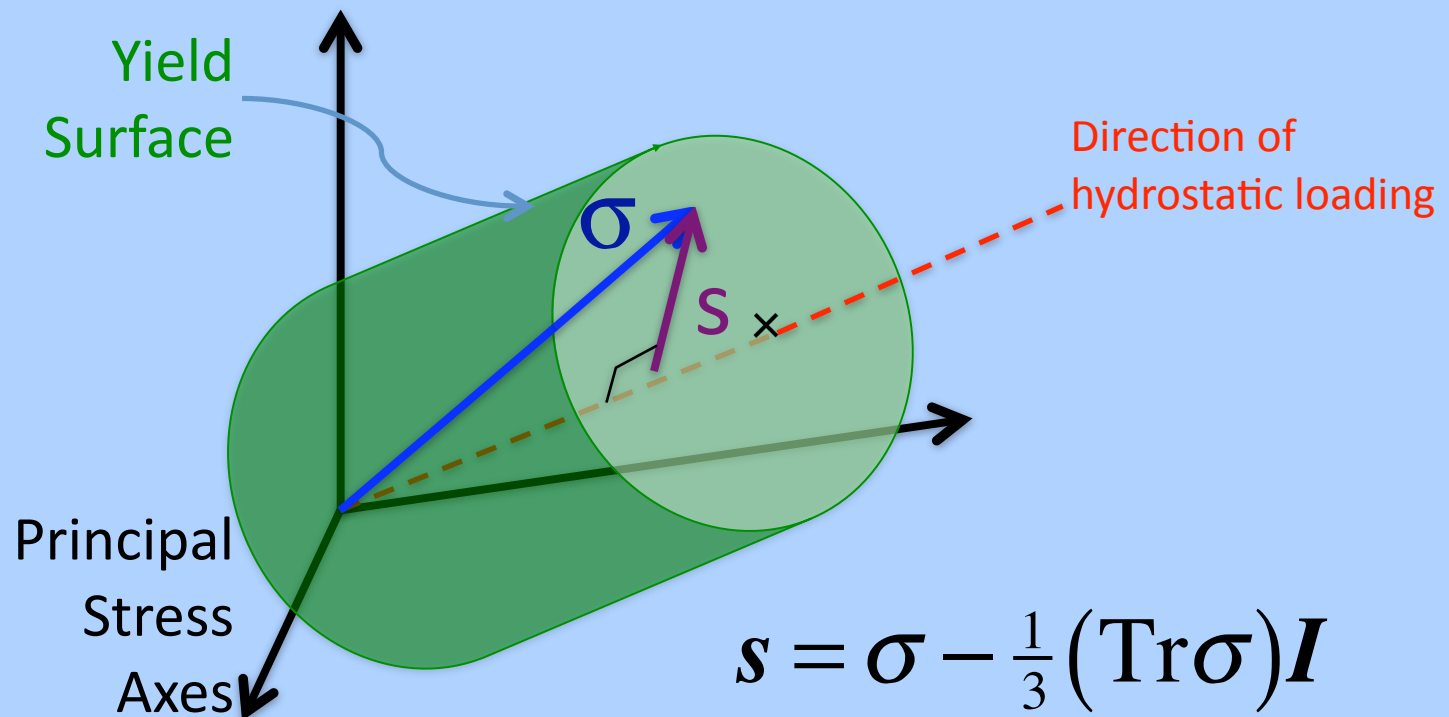


Plasticity

- **In plasticity (as opposed to elasticity) the material deforms irreversibly.**
- **This implies that the material does not retain memory of the initial state.**
- **This argues for models in which the change in the internal state of the material is an intrinsic feature of the theory.**

The Yield Surface

- Deformation takes place in shear, not dilation, so the operative stress is the deviatoric stress, s



Plasticity

- Traditional plasticity theories consider the yield stress to be an intrinsic material property

$$\varepsilon[u] = \varepsilon^{el} + \varepsilon^{pl}$$

$$\sigma = C\varepsilon^{el} = C(\varepsilon[u] - \varepsilon^{pl})$$

- To determine how the plastic strain evolves it is postulated that there exists a yield criterion $f(\sigma, \zeta)$ such that

$$f(\sigma, \zeta) = |s| - \zeta$$

$$f(\sigma, \zeta) < 0 : \text{purely elastic response}$$

$$f(\sigma, \zeta) = 0 : \zeta \text{ evolves to remain on yield surface}$$

Plasticity

- Two functions describe how the yield surface will evolve

$$\dot{\epsilon}^{pl} = \dot{\gamma} \frac{\partial f(\sigma, \zeta)}{\partial \sigma} = \dot{\gamma} N(\sigma, \zeta), \quad \dot{\gamma} \geq 0$$

$$\dot{\zeta} = \dot{\gamma} h(\sigma, \zeta)$$

- Given these assumptions we want to determine the unknown strain increment $\dot{\gamma}$ when we are on the yield surface

$$0 = \dot{f} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \sigma} \cdot \dot{\sigma} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \zeta} \dot{\zeta} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \sigma} \cdot C(\dot{\epsilon} - \dot{\epsilon}^{pl}) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \zeta} \dot{\zeta}$$

$$0 = N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon} - \dot{\gamma} N \cdot C N + \dot{\gamma} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \zeta} h$$

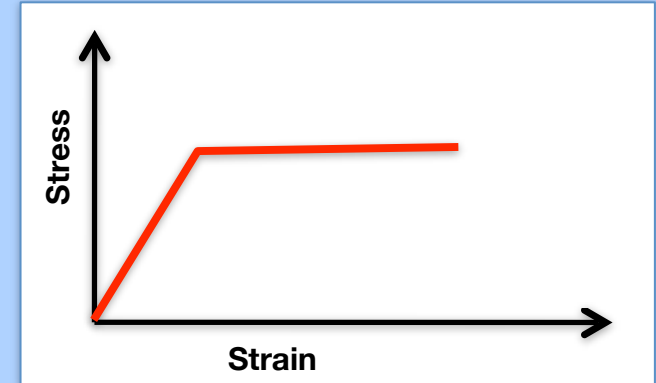
$$\dot{\gamma} = \frac{N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon}}{N \cdot C N - \frac{\partial f}{\partial \zeta} h} = \frac{N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon}}{N \cdot C N + H(\sigma, \zeta)}, \text{ when } N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon} > 0$$

Perfect Plasticity

- Consider one particular case where $H=0$

$$\dot{\epsilon}^{pl} = \dot{\gamma} \frac{\partial f(\sigma, \zeta)}{\partial \sigma} = \dot{\gamma} N(\sigma, \zeta), \quad \dot{\gamma} \geq 0$$

$$\dot{\zeta} = 0$$



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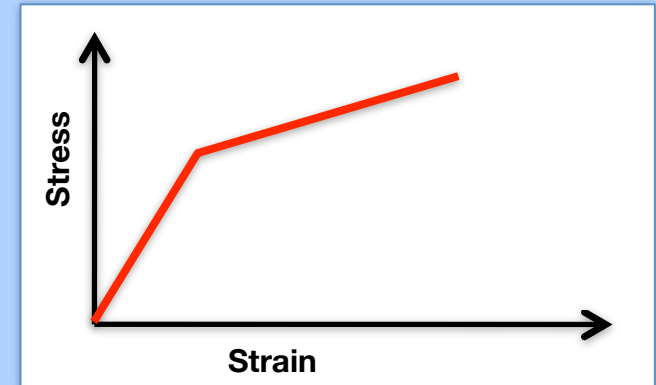
$$\dot{\sigma} = C(\dot{\epsilon} - \dot{\epsilon}^{pl}) = \begin{cases} 0, & N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon} > 0 \\ C \dot{\epsilon}, & N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon} \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Isotropic Hardening

- Consider one particular case where $H=h=\text{const}$

$$\dot{\epsilon}^{pl} = \dot{\gamma} \frac{\partial f(\sigma, \zeta)}{\partial \sigma} = \dot{\gamma} N(\sigma, \zeta), \quad \dot{\gamma} \geq 0$$

$$\dot{\zeta} = \dot{\gamma} h$$



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$$\dot{\gamma} = \frac{N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon}}{N \cdot C N + h}, \quad \text{when } N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon} > 0$$

$$\dot{\sigma} = C(\dot{\epsilon} - \dot{\epsilon}^{pl}) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{h C \dot{\epsilon}}{N \cdot C N + h} \right), & N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon} > 0 \\ C \dot{\epsilon}, & N \cdot C \dot{\epsilon} \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

A Critical Assessment

- **What is missing from this picture of plasticity?**
 - Rate dependence
 - A relation between the internal variables (in this case the yield stress ζ) and microscopic physics of deformation and microstructural evolution
 - As such the theory remains entirely empirical
- **At present we don't have tools suitable for abstracting our understanding of material microstructure to inform continuum theory.**

Eyring Rate Theory

- Eyring developed a formalism whereby one can treat plasticity the same way we would chemical kinetics

$$\dot{\epsilon}^{pl} = n\Omega R(s) \frac{\mathbf{s}}{s} \qquad R(s) = f \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_m - s\Omega}{kT}\right)$$

n=number of plasticity carriers (dislocations)

R=biased rate of transitions that couple to shear

- Note that forward and backward hopping are both possible

$$\dot{\epsilon}^{pl} = n\Omega \left[R(s) - R(-s) \right] \frac{\mathbf{s}}{s} = 2n\Omega f \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_m}{kT}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{s\Omega}{kT}\right) \frac{\mathbf{s}}{s}$$

Free Volume Theory

F. Spaepen, Acta Metall. 25, 407 (1977)

- Posited that "flow defects" are present in the metallic glass

$$\dot{\epsilon}^{pl} = n\Omega \left[R(s) - R(-s) \right] \frac{\mathbf{s}}{s} = 2n\Omega f \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_m}{kT}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{s\Omega}{kT}\right) \frac{\mathbf{s}}{s}$$

- The number density is proportional to a material property called "**free volume**" which is both created and destroyed during flow.

$$n = \exp\left(-\gamma v^* / v_f\right)$$
$$\dot{v}_f = n f v^* \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_m}{kT}\right) \left\{ \frac{\gamma}{v_f} \frac{kT}{S} \left[\cosh\left(\frac{s\Omega}{kT}\right) - 1 \right] - \frac{1}{n_D} \right\}$$

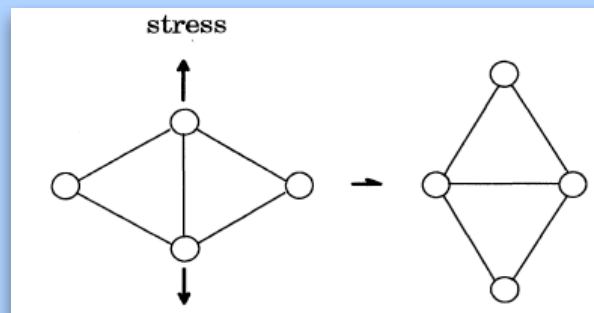
Critique of Free Volume Theory

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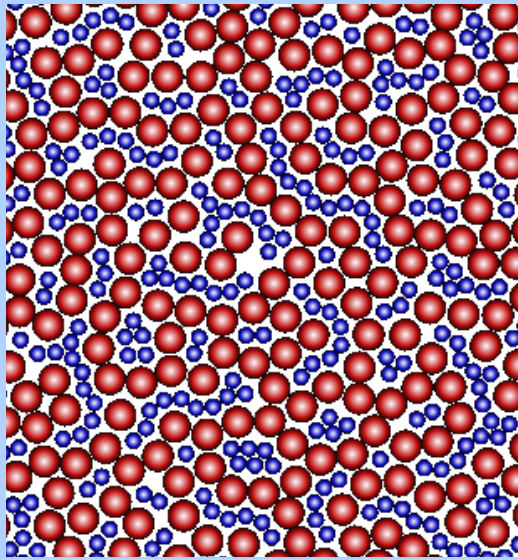
$$\dot{v}_f = -nf v^* \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_m}{kT}\right) \left\{ \frac{\gamma}{v_f} \frac{kT}{S} \left[\cosh\left(\frac{s\Omega}{kT}\right) - 1 \right] - \frac{1}{n_D} \right\}$$

- There is no reasonable zero temperature limit.
- No accounting for induced anisotropies in the glass.



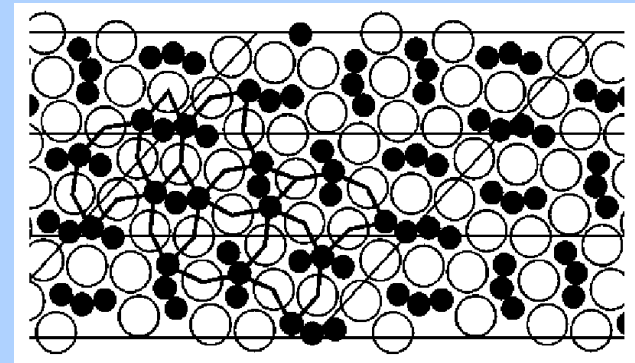
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2D Simulation System

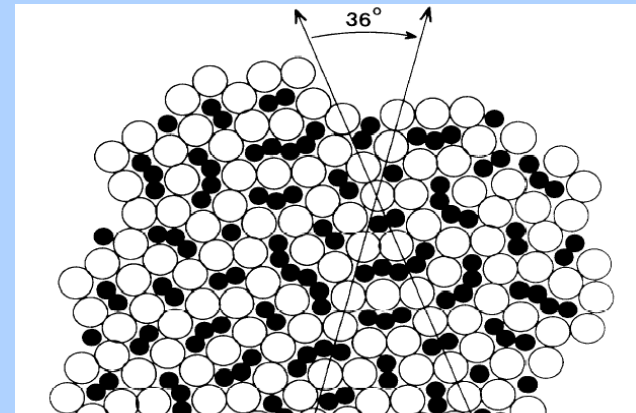


(Lancon et al, Europhys. Lett, 1986)

- 2D binary Lennard-Jones 12-6 potential
- Binary system with quasi-crystalline packing
45:55 composition, 20,000-80,000 atoms
- $T_{\text{MCT}} \approx 0.325$

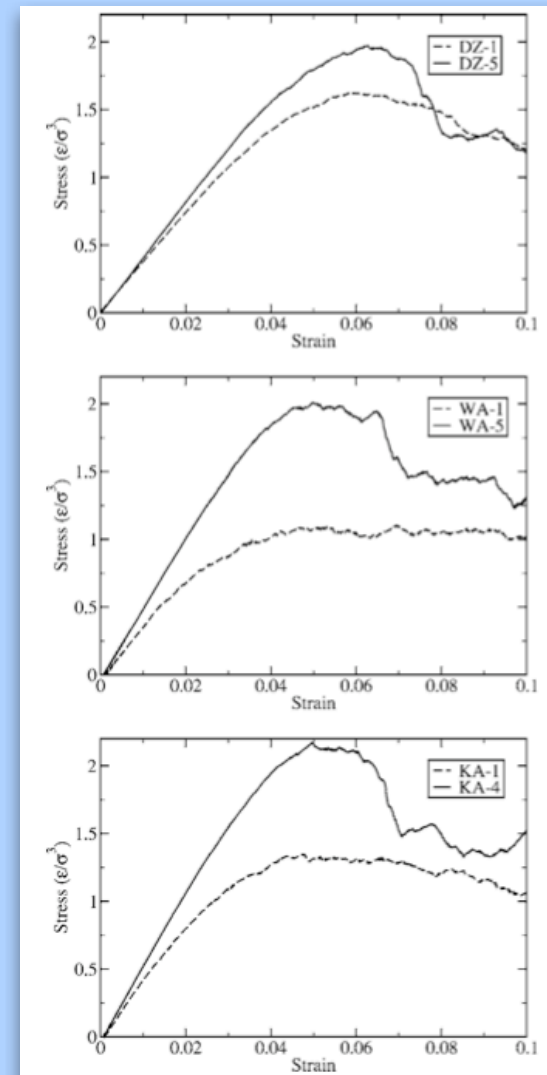
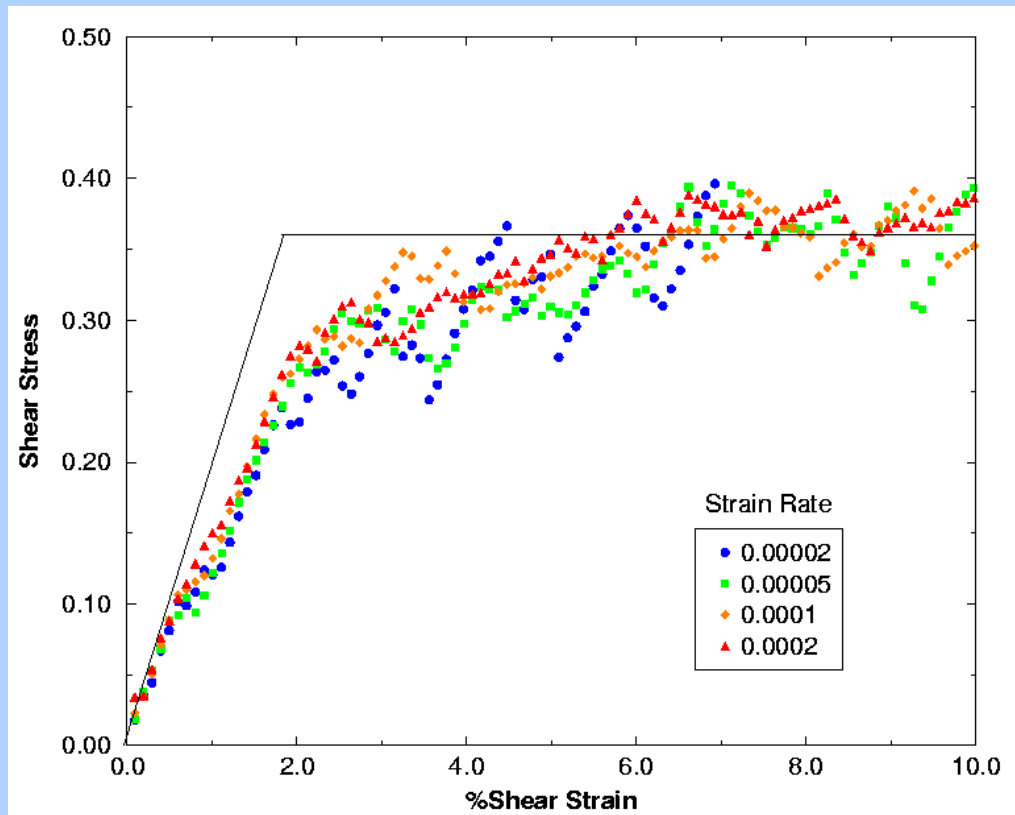


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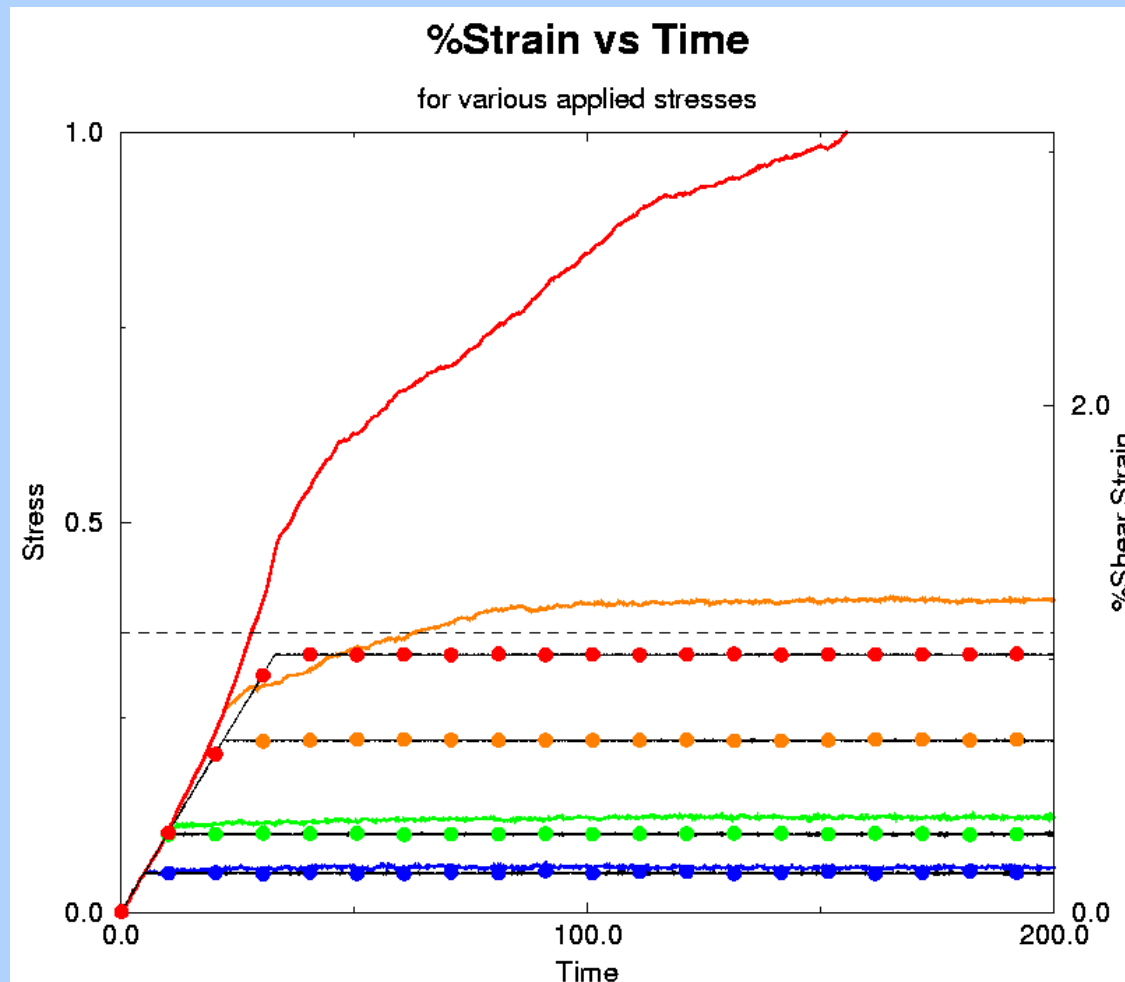
Stress-Strain Response



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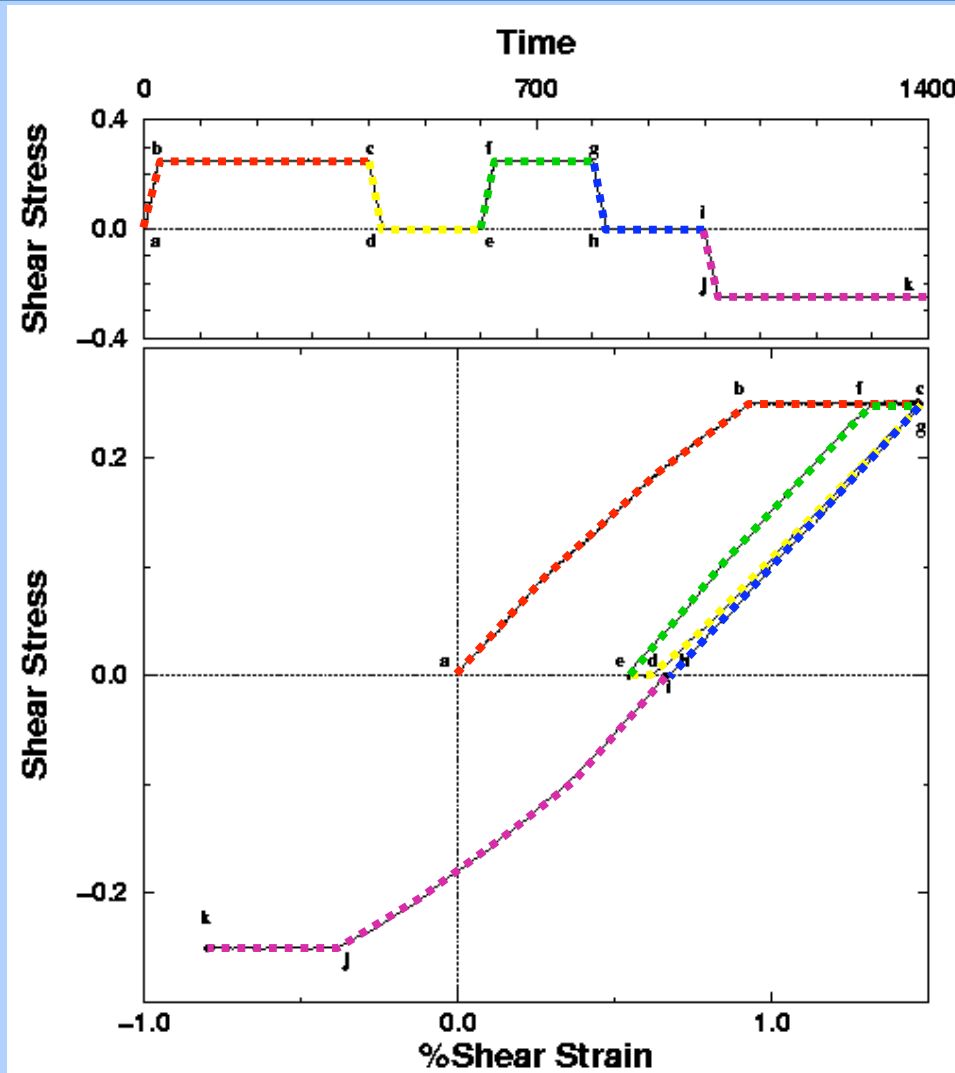
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Diverging Time Scale



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Anelasticity / Bauschinger Effect

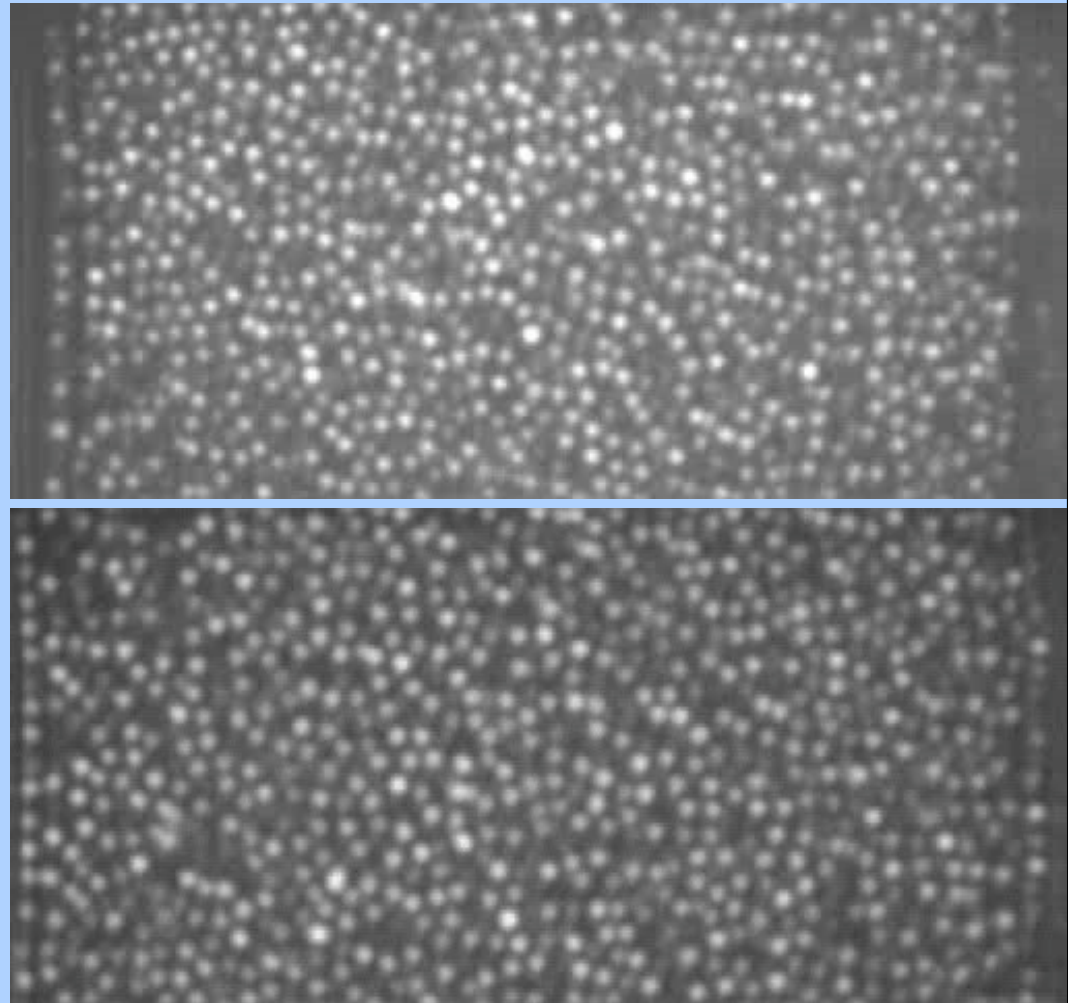


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Shear Induced Anisotropy in Granular Media

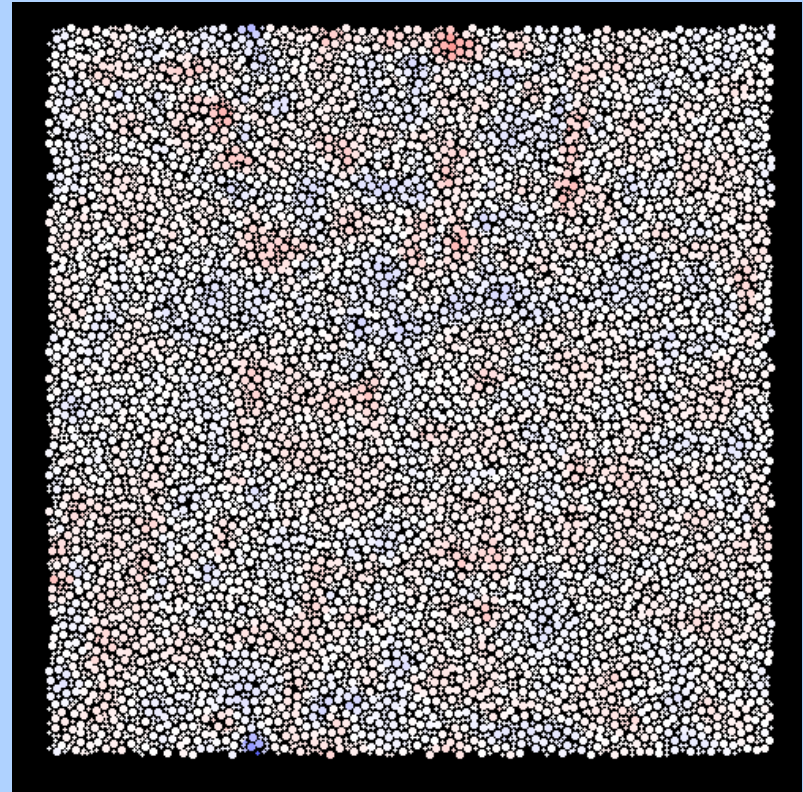
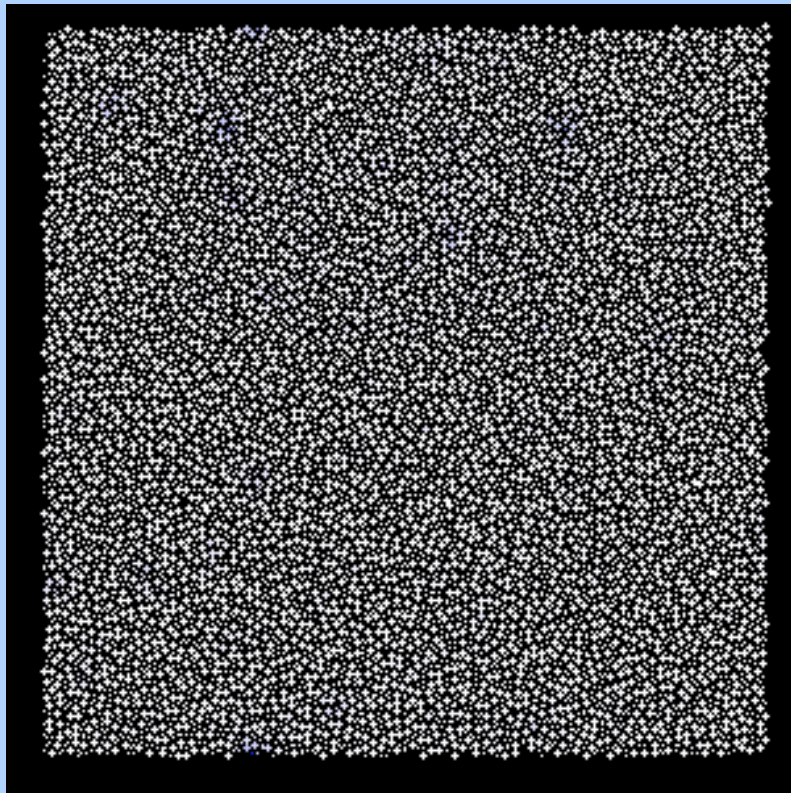
(experiments by W. Losert and M. Toiya)

- Taylor-Couette cell
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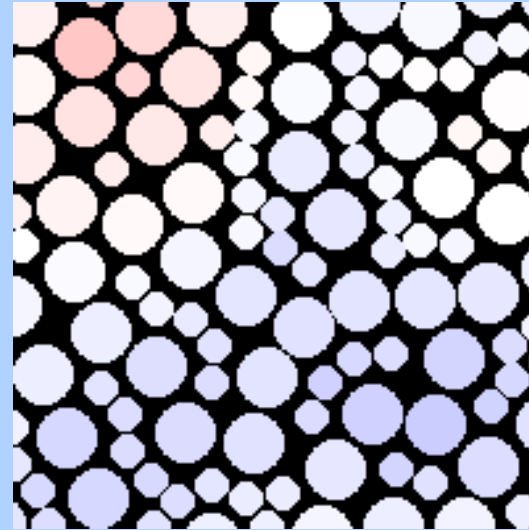
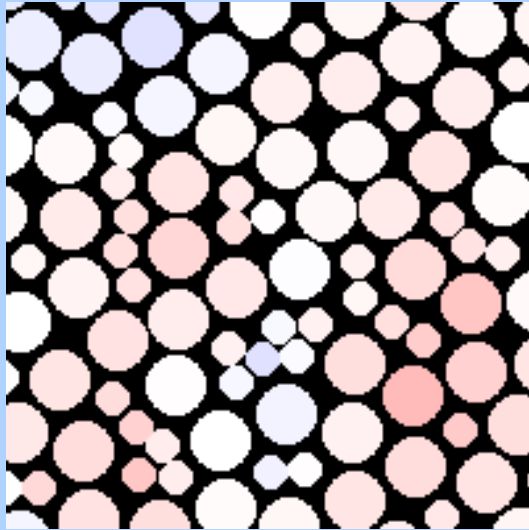


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- **STZs are transient. They can be created and destroyed by neighboring plastic activity.**

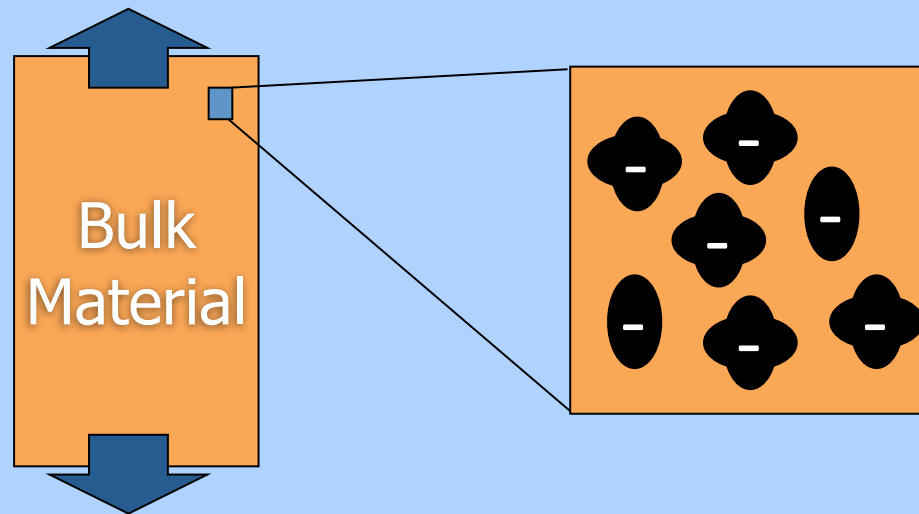
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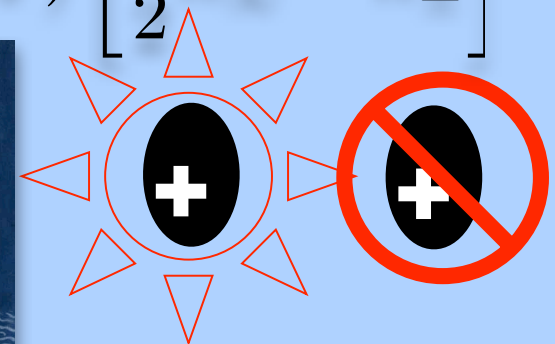
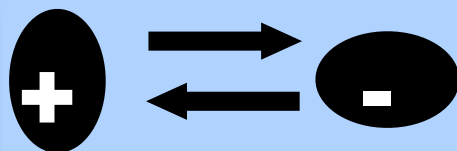
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We can simplify by noting that Λ approaches $e^{-1/\chi}$ in steady state.

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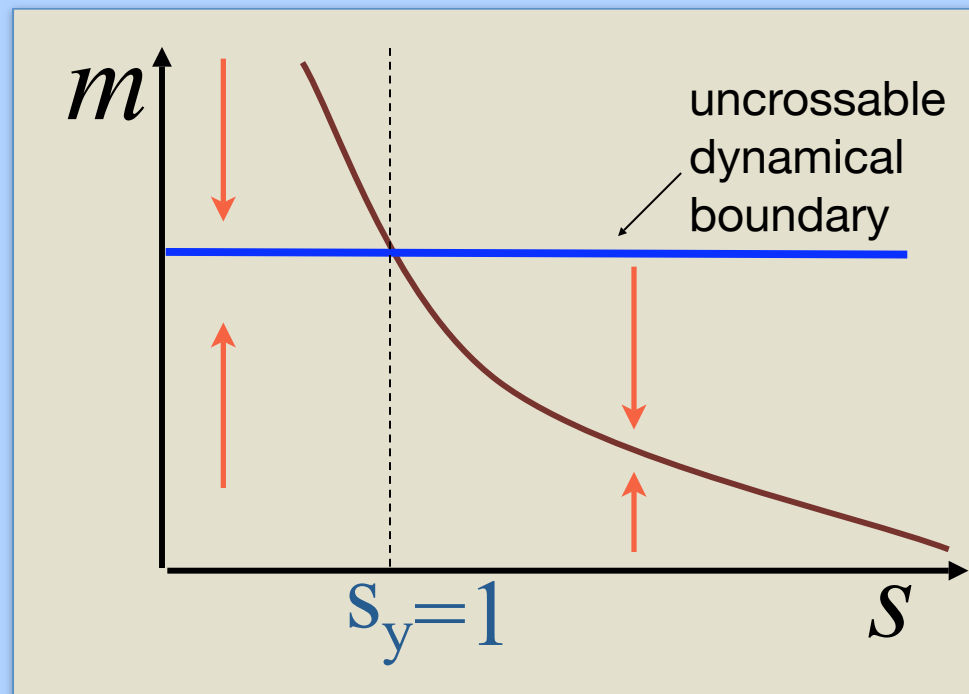
$$\dot{m} = 2\mathcal{C}(s) [\mathcal{T}(s) - m] [1 - sm]$$

In this limit

$$\Gamma = s\dot{\epsilon}^{pl}$$

Also Assume

$$\mathcal{T}(s) = \text{sign}(s)$$



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- For **high T** the Eyring forms make sense

$$R_{\pm}(s) = \nu \exp \left(-\frac{\Delta G \pm s\Omega}{k_B T} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{C}(s) = \nu e^{\frac{-\Delta G}{k_B T}} \cosh \left(\frac{s\Omega}{k_B T} \right)$$

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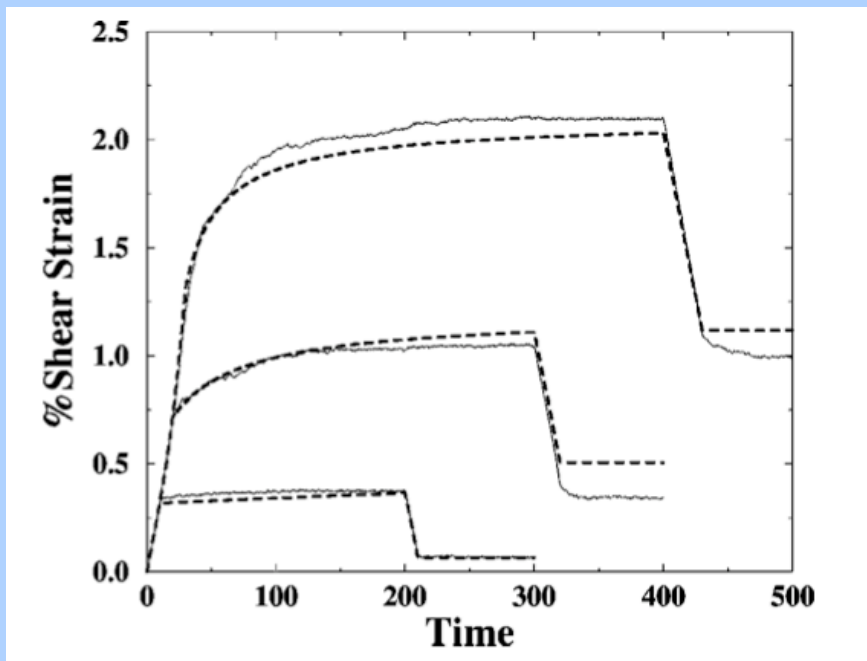
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- \mathcal{C} is some symmetric function of s

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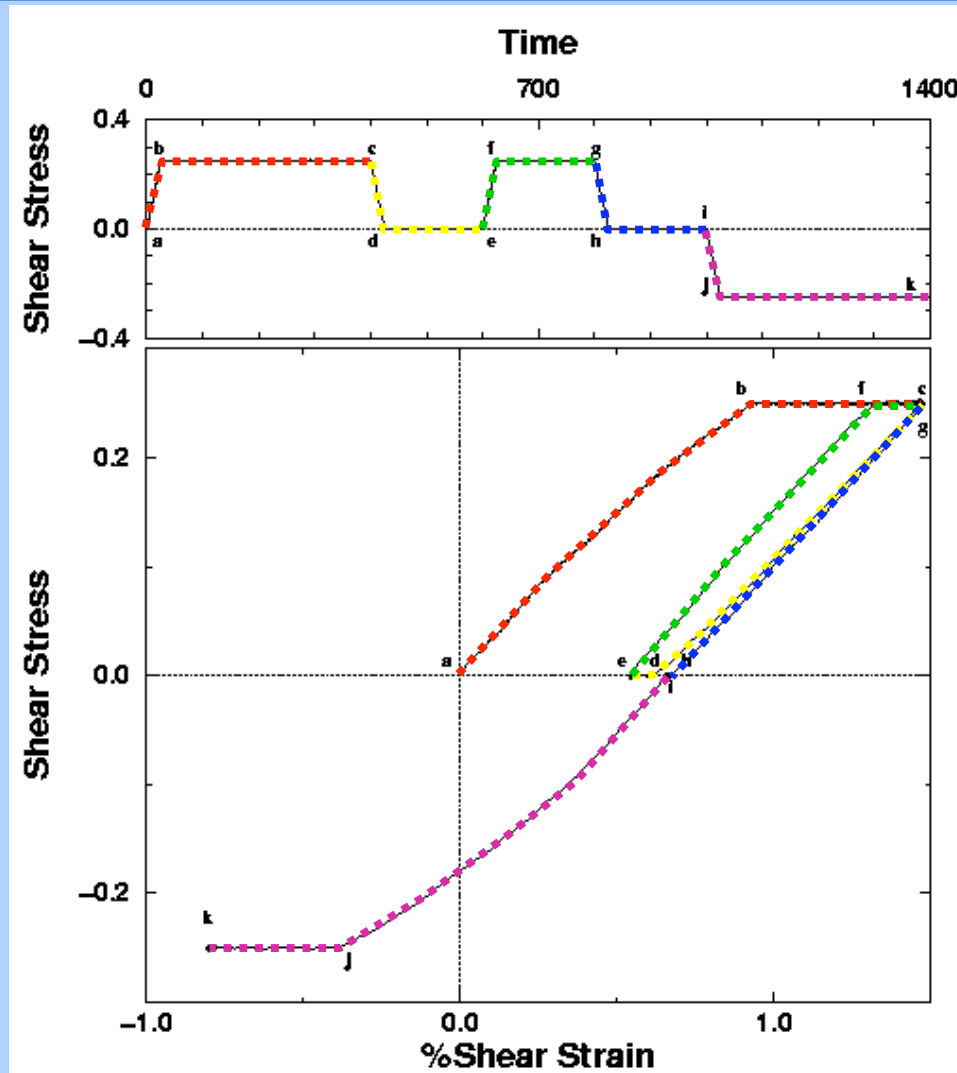
- The equations can be solved analytically at constant s and a diverging time scale emerges.



$$m = \frac{1 - e^{-t/\tau}}{1 - s e^{-t/\tau}}$$
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Anelasticity / Bauschinger Effect

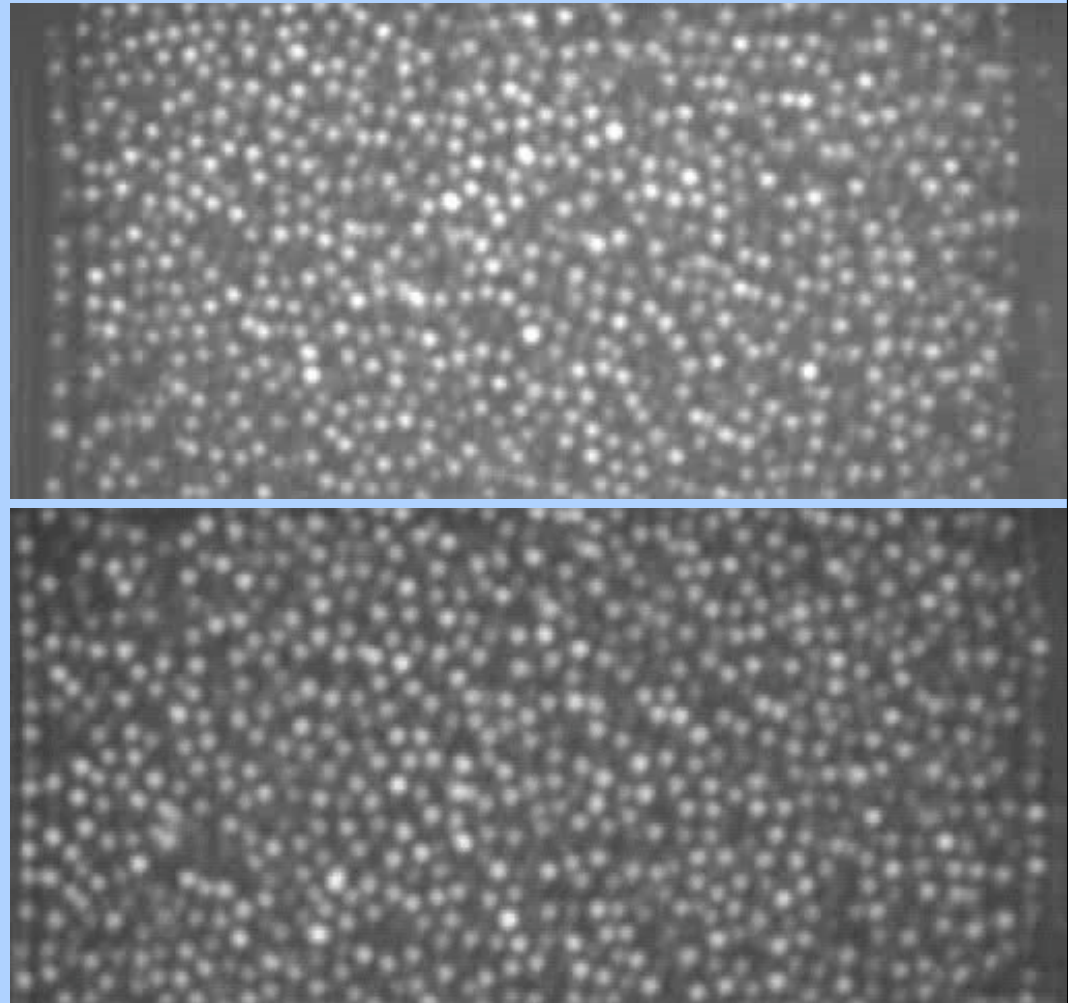


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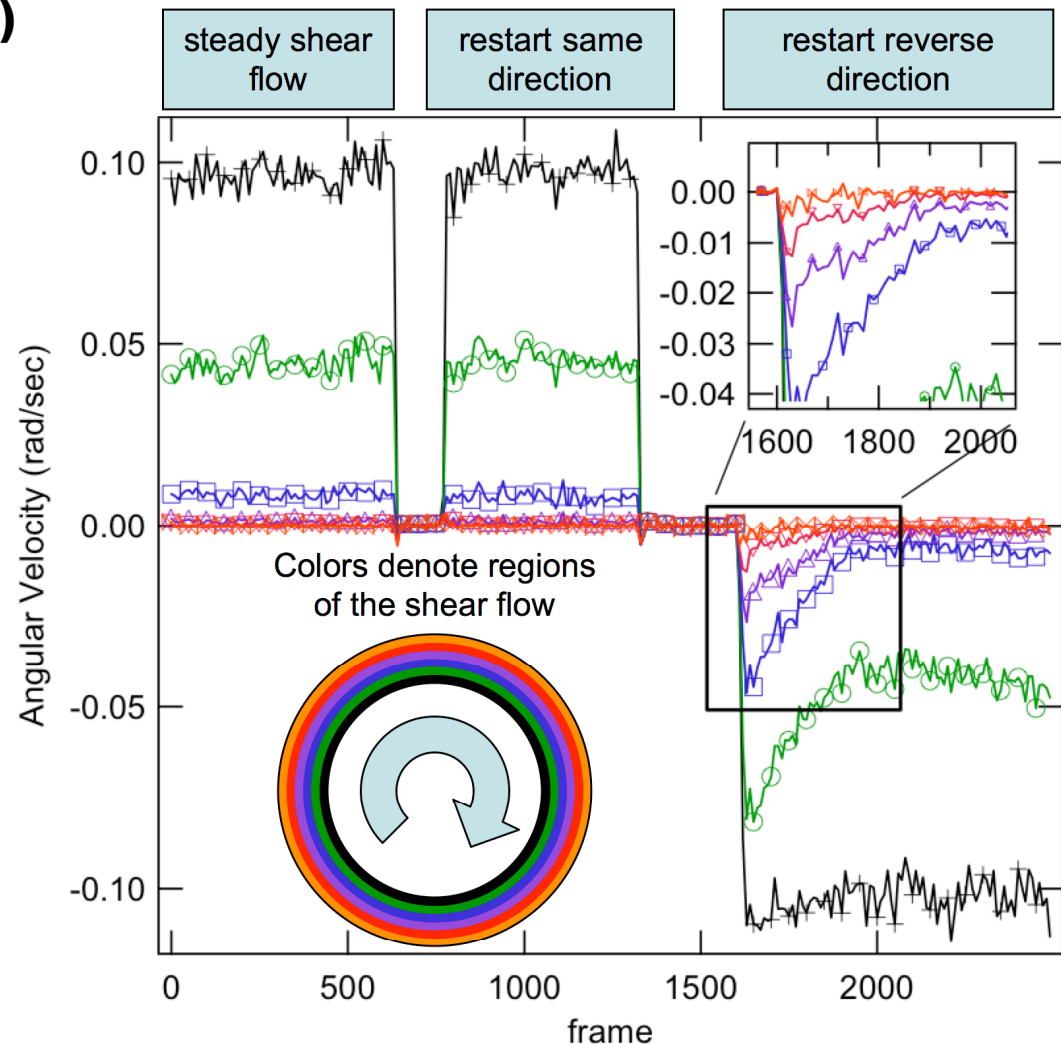


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- No internal time scale, requires everything to be slaved to the motion of the inner cylinder. So a' denotes $da/d\Theta$, where Θ is the angle of the inner cylinder.
- The stress is inhomogeneous $\sigma_{r\theta}(r)$.
- We can assume that through cyclic loading the dilational degrees of freedom, described by χ , are in steady state.
- However, during the transient following reversal the orientational degrees of freedom, described by m , are not.

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- **We must also define the function C**
Bouchbinder, Procaccia and Langer, PRE 75, 036107 (2007)

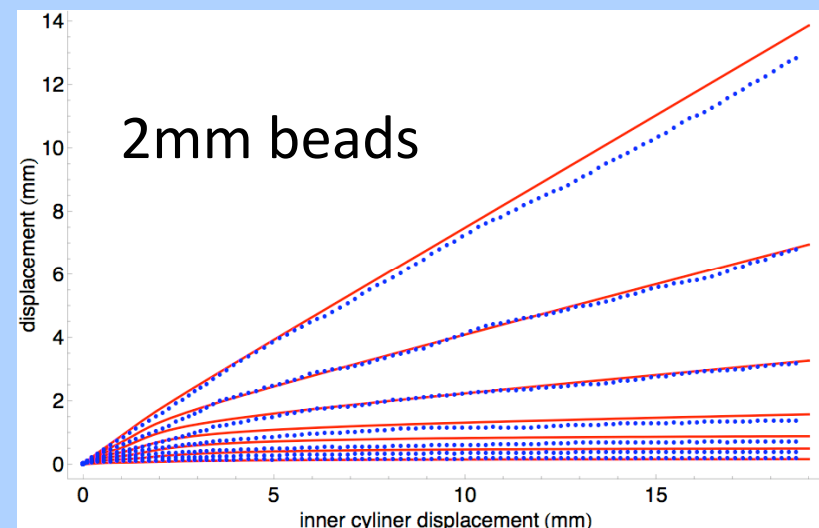
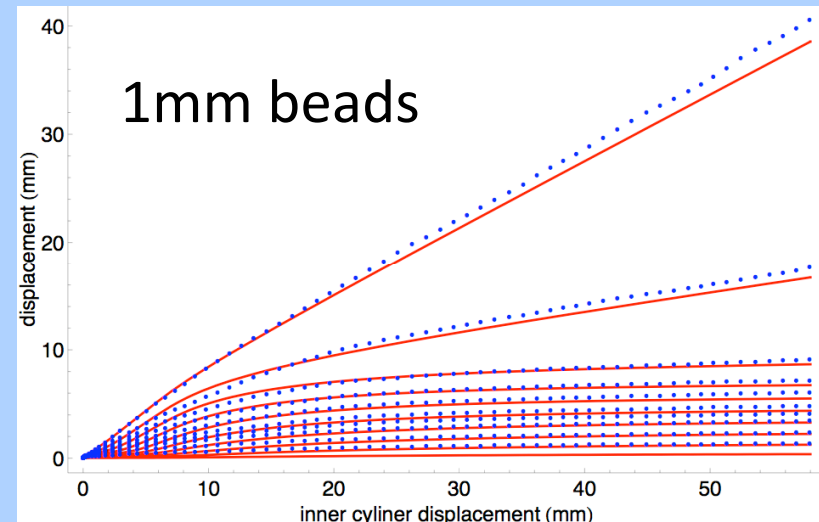
$$C(\tilde{s}; \zeta) = \frac{|\tilde{s}|^{\zeta+1}}{\sqrt{2\pi\zeta}} \exp\left[-\zeta(|\tilde{s}| - 1)\right] + (|\tilde{s}| - 1 - \zeta^{-1}) P(\zeta + 1, \zeta|\tilde{s}|)$$

- **Now 4 parameters must be specified**
 - The radius, r_y , at which $s=s_y$.
(116mm for 1mm beads, 127mm for 2mm beads)
 - The stress distribution of the STZs, ζ . (100)
 - The strain per STZ, ε_0 . (4% for 1mm beads, 0.5% for 2mm beads)
 - γ , the attempt frequency per rate of rotation of the inner cylinder, $d\Theta/dt$.
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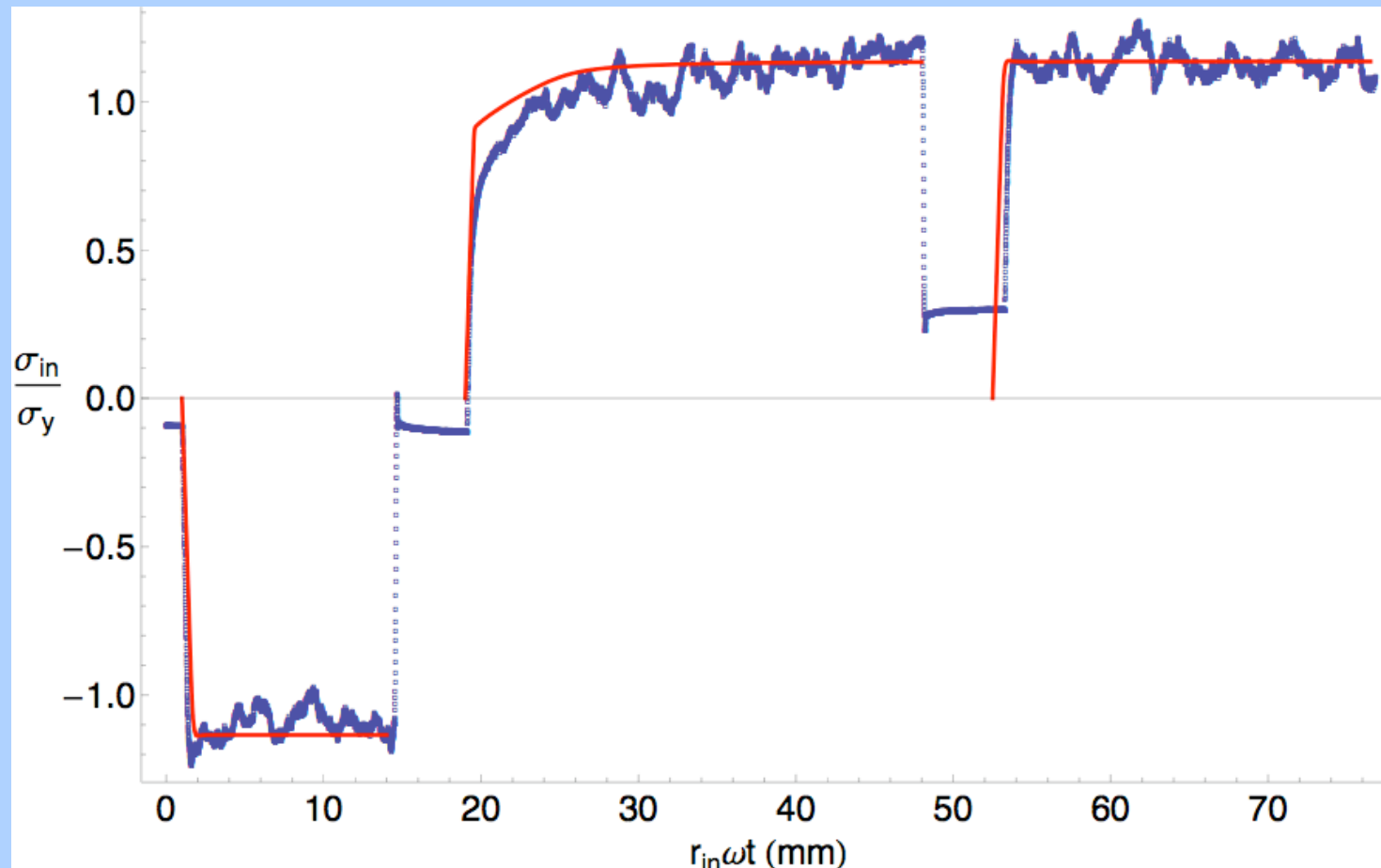
Comparison to Experimental Data

- The blue dots represent experimental measurements of displacement at a specified radial position, plotted as a function of the inner cylinder displacement subsequent to shear reversal.
- The red lines are the STZ predictions given the assumptions on the previous slides.



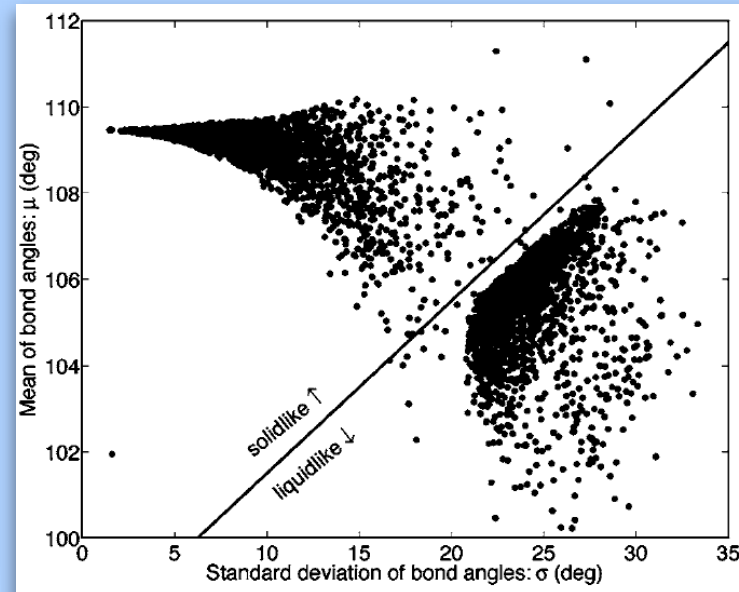
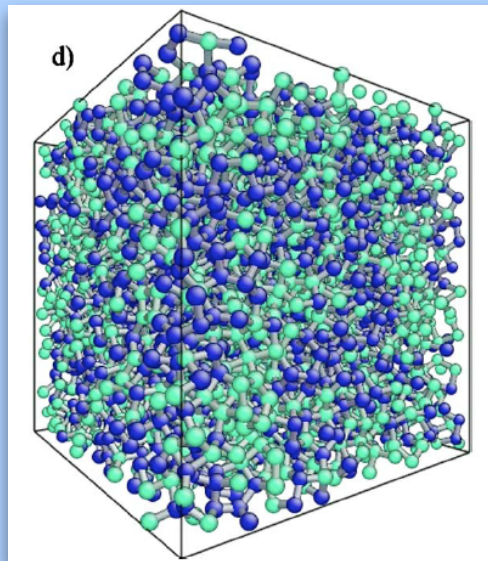
Stress vs. Time (blue=data, red=theory)

NB: time is multiplied by displacement rate of inner cylinder



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STZ Comparison to Shear of a-Si

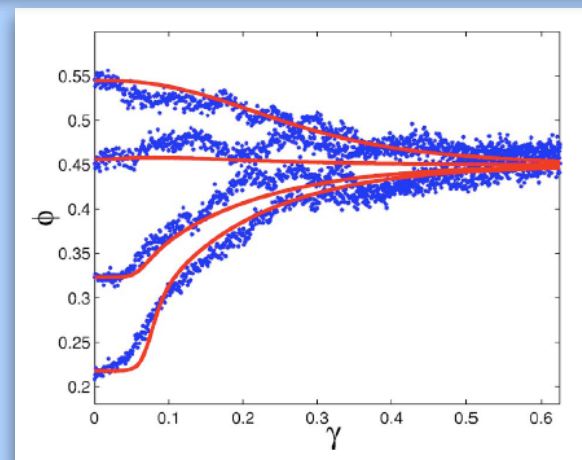
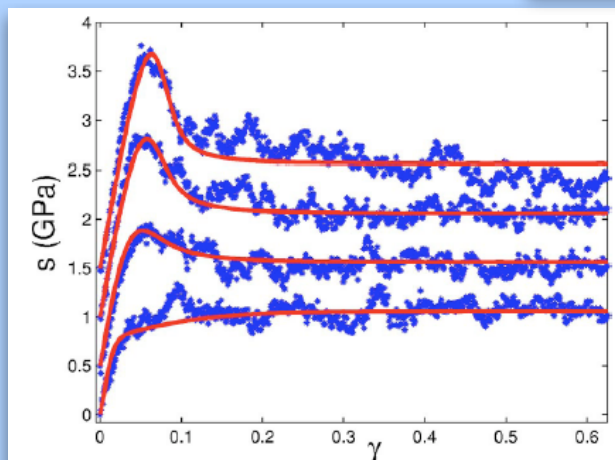


Amorphous Silicon forms 5-fold coordinated liquid-like regions that facilitate shear.

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Demkowicz and Argon, PRB 72, 245205 (2005).

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Summing Up

- We need constitutive theories of plastic response in order to predict mechanical response past the elastic regime.
- Most engineering mechanics based theories are not based on specific micromechanisms, which prevents direct connection to the underlying physics
- Shear Transformation Zone Theory is an attempt to build a phenomenological theory with such a connection.
- The theory exhibits the following behaviors that are seen in simulation and experiment
 - A range of behavior from perfectly plastic to shear softening
 - Plastic hysteresis (Bauschinger effects)
 - Existence of a dynamically emerging yield stress
 - Diverging timescale for deformation near the yield stress
- **The million dollar question: Are STZ's real? Do local 2 state systems exist in some sense and control deformation?**

End of Lecture 1

