#### Saturated soil modelling

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# Constitutive modelling 1

- Stress and strain variables
- Basic features of soil response: stiffness
- Basic features of soil response: critical states
- Basic features of soil response: strength



- triaxial apparatus: two degrees of freedom
- soil = rigid particles + voids
- importance of volume (density) changes (or their prevention)
- separate volumetric (size) and distortional (shape) effects



- soil behaviour controlled by effective stresses
- $\bullet \ \sigma'_{ij} = \sigma_{ij} u\delta_{ij}$
- axial and radial strain increments  $\delta \varepsilon_a$  and  $\delta \varepsilon_r$
- ullet axial and radial effective stresses  $\sigma_a'$  and  $\sigma_r'$



- volumetric effects
- volumetric strain increment  $\delta \varepsilon_p = \delta \varepsilon_a + 2\delta \varepsilon_r$
- work conjugate volumetric stress  $p' = (\sigma'_a + 2\sigma'_r)/3$
- volumetric work increment  $\delta W_v = p' \delta \varepsilon_p$



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- distortional effects
- distortional stress  $q = \sigma_a \sigma_r = F/A$
- work conjugate distortional strain increment  $\delta \varepsilon_q = 2(\delta \varepsilon_a \delta \varepsilon_r)/3$
- distortional work increment  $\delta W_d = q \delta \varepsilon_q$



- work done in a small increment of strain
- $\delta W = \delta W_v + \delta W_d$
- $\delta W = p' \delta \varepsilon_p + q \delta \varepsilon_q$
- $\delta W = \sigma_a' \delta \varepsilon_a + 2\sigma_r' \delta \varepsilon_r$
- separation of volumetric and distortional effects



- stress ratio  $\eta = q/p'$
- ullet equivalent to a mobilised friction  $\phi_m'$
- triaxial compression

$$\sigma'_a/\sigma'_r = (1 + \sin \phi'_m)/(1 - \sin \phi'_m) = (3 + 2\eta)/(3 - \eta)$$
  

$$\sin \phi'_m = (\sigma'_a - \sigma'_r)/(\sigma'_a + \sigma'_r) = (3\eta)/(6 + \eta)$$
  

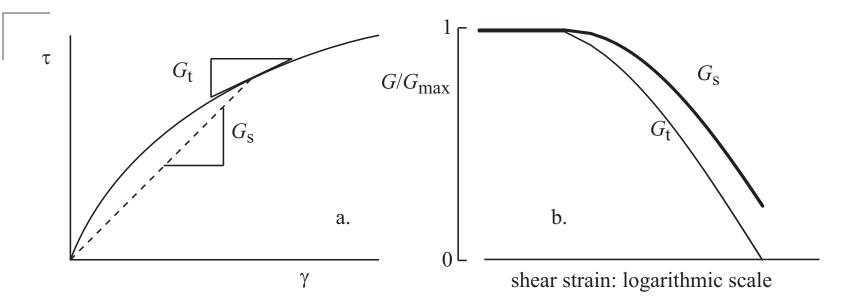
$$\eta = 6\sin \phi'_m/(3 - \sin \phi'_m)$$

triaxial extension

$$\sigma'_a/\sigma'_r = (1 - \sin \phi'_m)/(1 + \sin \phi'_m) = (3 + 2\eta)/(3 - \eta)$$

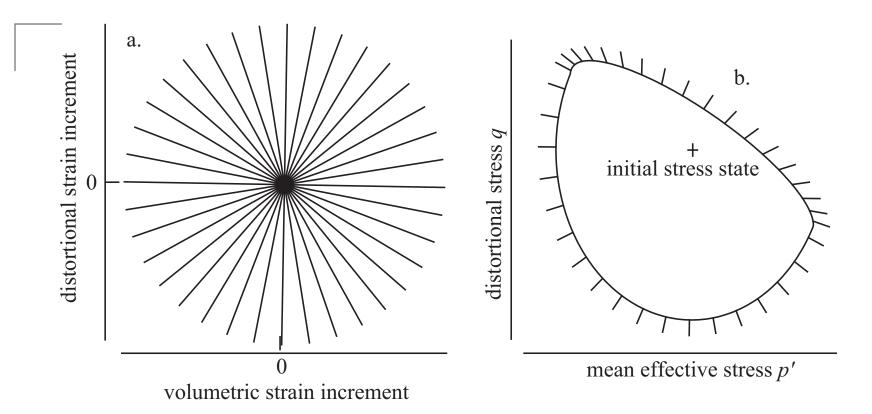
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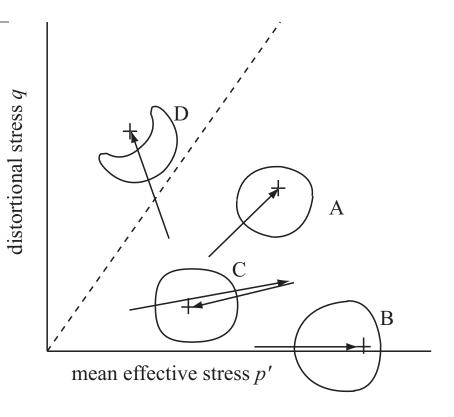
- tangent and secant stiffness
- secant: past:  $G_s = \tau/\gamma$
- tangent: future:  $G_t = \delta \tau / \delta \gamma$
- tangent (incremental) stiffness falls faster than secant (average) stiffness

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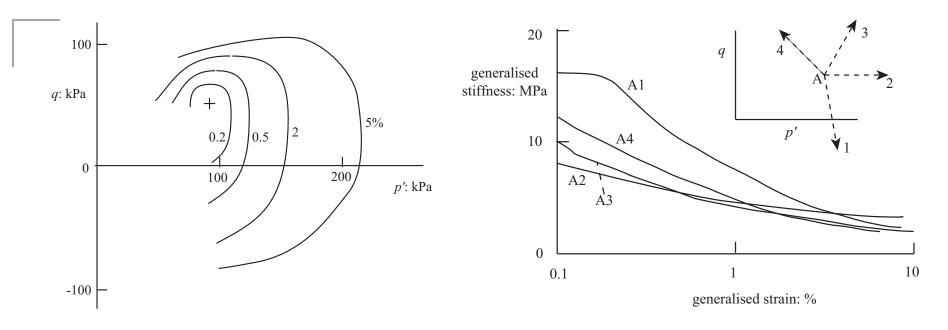
- stress response envelope
- rosette of strain probes ...
- ... and resulting stress response envelope
- discipline for evaluating models
- discipline for planning laboratory tests





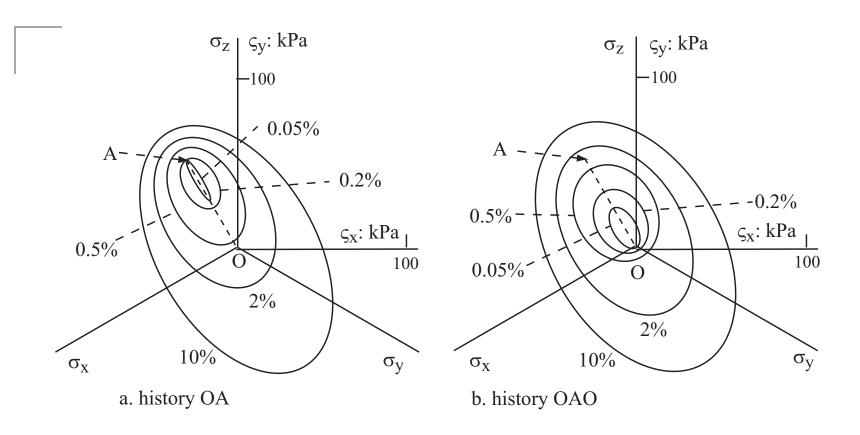
- history dependence of stress response envelopes
- points + indicate initial stress states

- A, B: flattened towards loading direction
- C: unloaded response somewhat independent of direction
- D: strain softening: fall in  $\eta$  for all strain increments



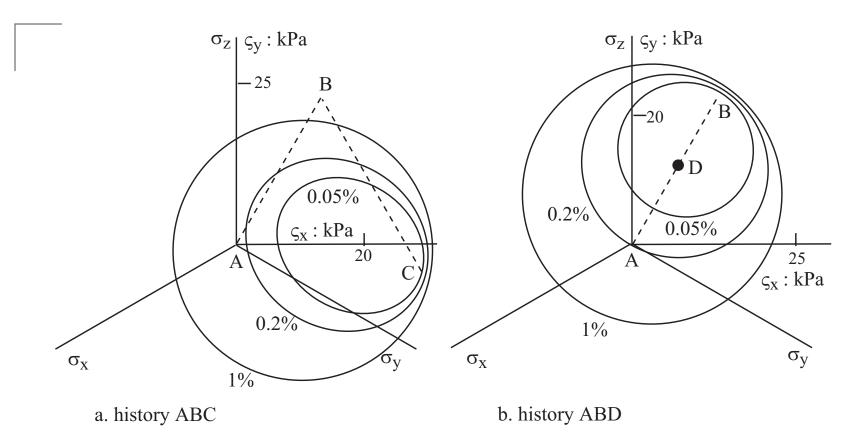
- response envelopes and generalised stiffness for Pisa clay (Callisto)
- effect of strain level
- erasure of memory





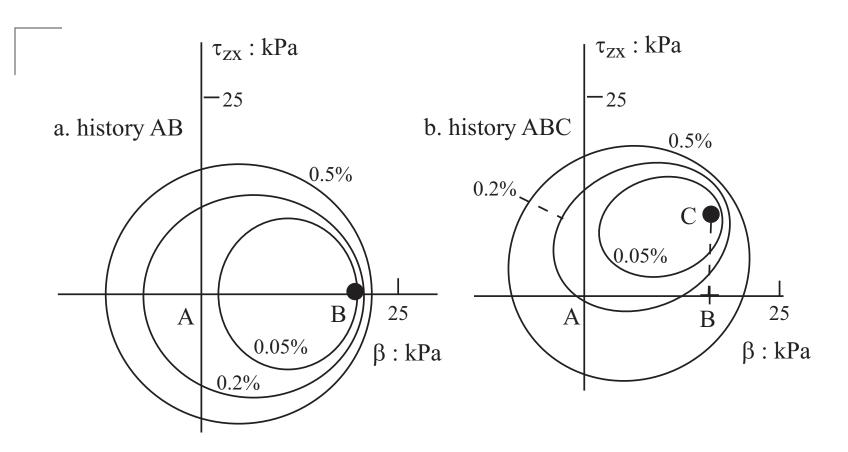
- true triaxial probing of kaolin
- schematic deviatoric stress response envelopes
- deviatoric history (a) OA and (b) OAO





- true triaxial probing of Leighton Buzzard sand
- schematic deviatoric stress response envelopes
- deviatoric history (a) ABC and (b) ABD (data from Sture et al., 1988)

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- directional shear cell probing of Leighton Buzzard sand
- schematic deviatoric stress response envelopes
- deviatoric history (a) AB and (b) ABC (data from Sture et al., 1988)
- rotation of principal axes

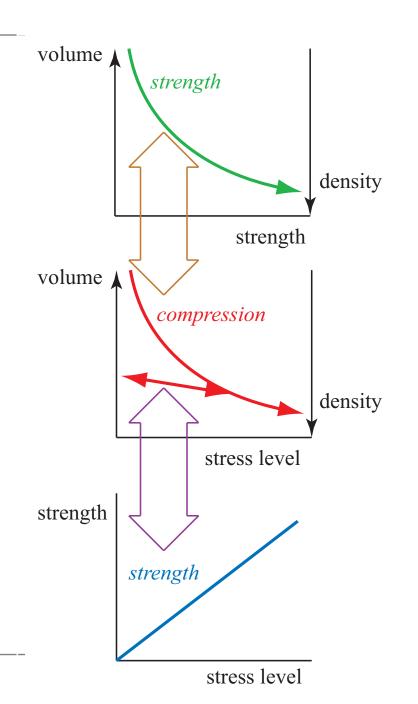
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- history dependence of stress response envelopes
- stiffness high for strain reversal
- stiffness low for continuing loading
- erasure of memory of past events
- messages for modelling



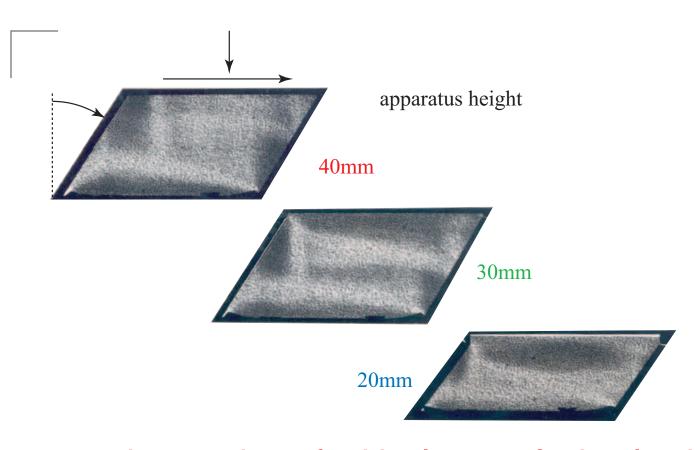
- asymptotic state reached at large strain
- state = stresses, density, fabric (particle arrangement)
- evidence from experiments on soils
- evidence from discrete element modelling
- central feature of constitutive models (explicit or implicit)





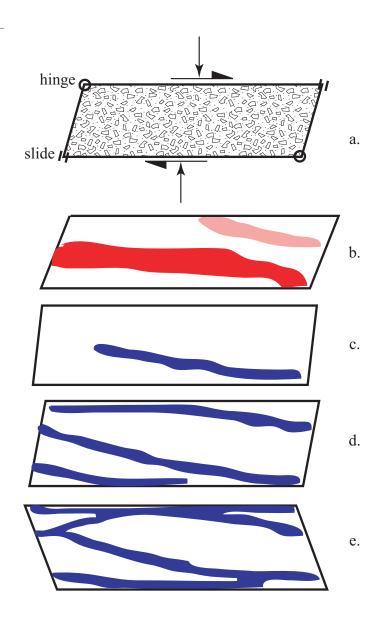
- critical state soil mechanics (weak form)
- discipline for exploring and interpreting mechanical response of soils
- importance of considering stresses and density





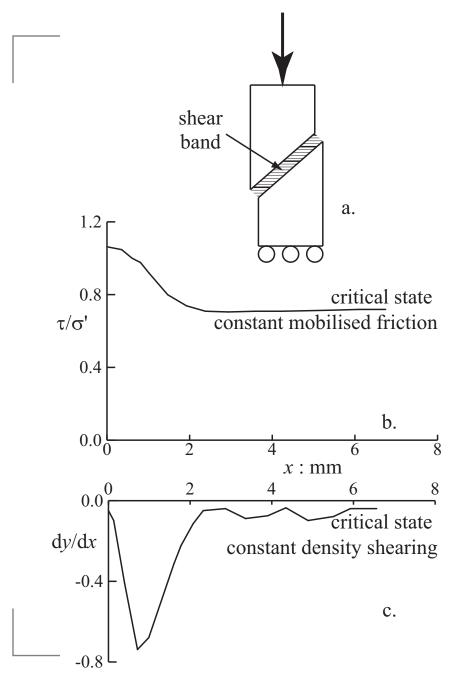
- observation of critical states? simple shear apparatus?
- internal kinematic freedom
- occurrence of localisation
- (Bassett)





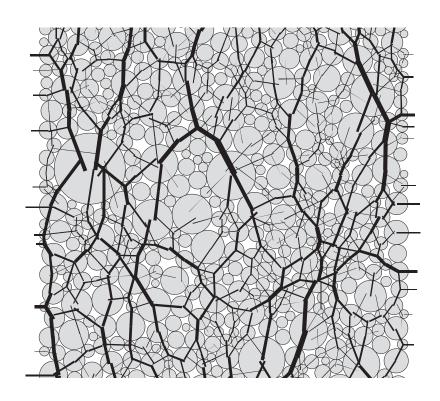
- simple shear apparatus sample height  $\sim 20~\mathrm{mm}$
- coarse sand  $d_{50} = \sim 1$  mm uniform?
- fine sand  $d_{50} = \sim 0.3$  mm
- (Stroud, Budhu)



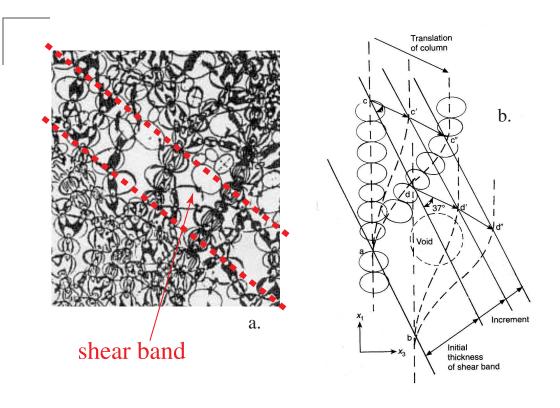


- biaxial plane strain test
- free formation of shear band
- critical state reached in shear band - not elsewhere
- free formation of shear band
- (Vardoulakis)





- discrete element modelling
- force chains of heavily loaded particles
- buckling of force chains encouraged by principal stress rotation

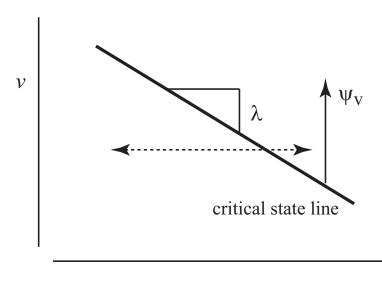


- assembly of elliptical photoelastic discs
- force chains and voids in shear band
- buckling and rotation of columns in shear band
- (from Oda and Kazama, 1998)



- asymptotic state reached at large strain
- fabric not isotropic at critical state
- difficult to detect experimentally
- central feature of constitutive models (explicit or implicit)

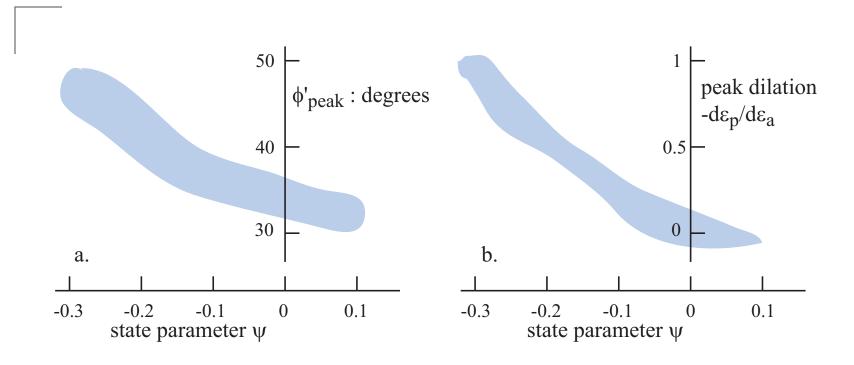




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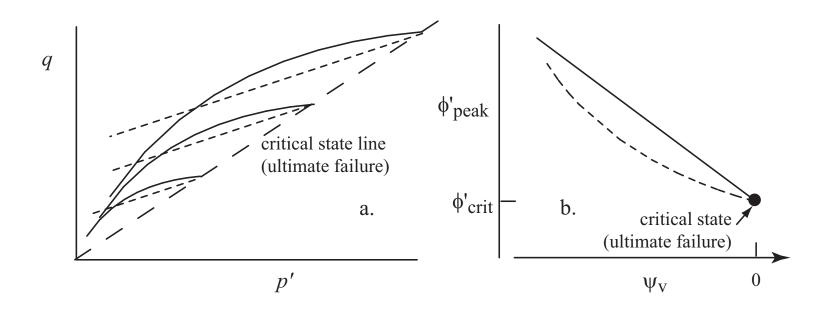
- critical state line
- state parameter or state variable as generalisation of 'dense', 'loose'
- $\psi = v v_c = v (\Gamma \lambda \ln p')$
- semilogarithmic shape not essential





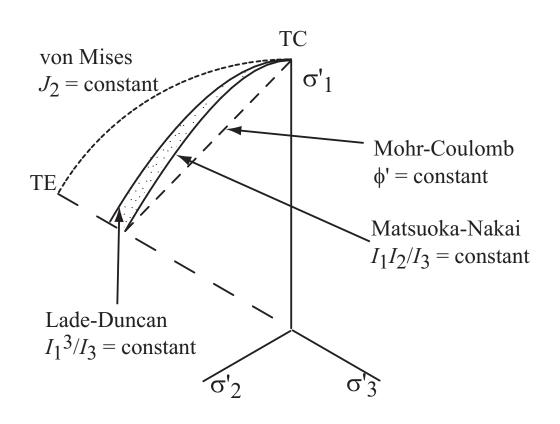
- dependence of peak strength on state parameter
- dependence of peak dilatancy on state parameter
- (Been & Jefferies)





- equivalence of failure relationships
- effective stress plane p', q
- friction angle and state parameter



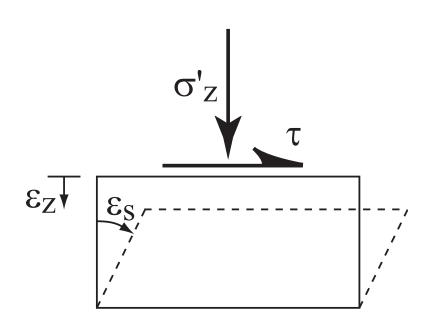


- multiaxial stress conditions
- Matsuoka-Nakai:  $I_1I_2/I_3 = \text{constant}$
- Lade-Duncan:  $I_1^3/I_3 = \text{constant}$



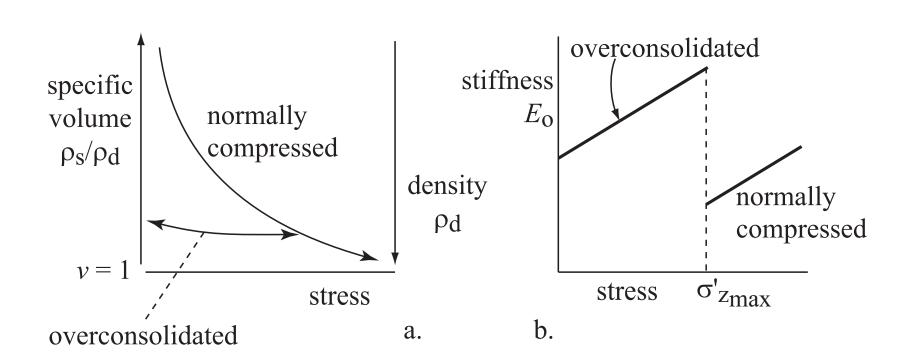
- importance of density and stress level
- peak strength is a dependent variable not a constant
- most stress conditions are not axisymmetric





- build one-dimensional model
- simple shear/direct shear box
- separate vertical deformation (oedometer) and shearing
- stiffness strength dilatancy





#### stiffness - normal consolidation - overconsolidation

$$\frac{E_o}{\sigma_{ref}} = \chi \left(\frac{\sigma_z'}{\sigma_{ref}}\right)^{\alpha}$$



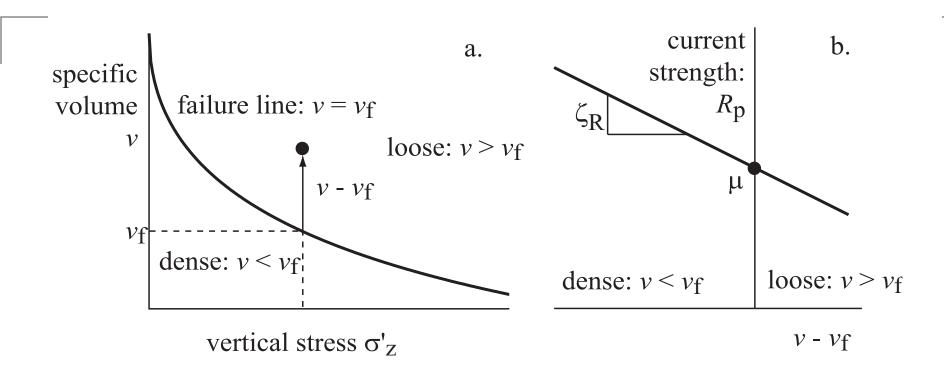
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stiffness - normal consolidation ( $\alpha_{nc}$ ,  $\chi_{nc}$ ) - overconsolidation ( $\alpha_{oc}$ ,  $\chi_{oc}$ )

$$\frac{E_o}{\sigma_{ref}} = \chi \left(\frac{\sigma_z'}{\sigma_{ref}}\right)^{\alpha}$$

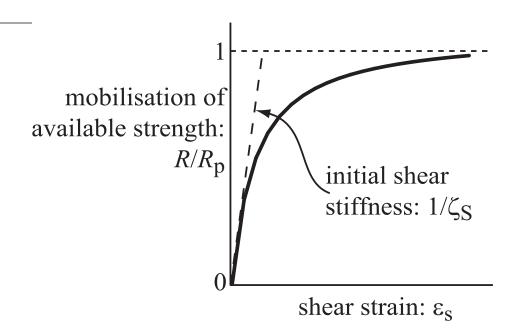
$$\delta \varepsilon_z' = \delta \sigma_z' / E_o$$

- If  $\sigma_z' = \sigma_{z_{max}}'$  and  $\delta \sigma_z' > 0$ , then n=1,  $\alpha = \alpha_{nc}$  and  $\chi = \chi_{nc}$  (normally compressed)
- If  $\delta\sigma_z'<0$ , then  $\delta n>0$ ,  $n\geq 1$ , and  $\alpha=\alpha_{oc}$  and  $\chi=\chi_{oc}$  (overconsolidated)
- If  $\sigma_z' < \sigma_{z_{max}}'$  and  $\delta \sigma_z' > 0$ , then n > 1,  $\delta n < 0$ , and  $\alpha = \alpha_{oc}$  and  $\chi = \chi_{oc}$  (overconsolidated)



- critical state line  $v_f = v_{min} + \Delta v \exp\left[-(\sigma_z'/\sigma_{ref})^{\beta}\right]$
- state parameter  $\psi = v v_f$
- current strength  $R_p = \mu + \zeta_R(v_f v)$
- strength is a variable



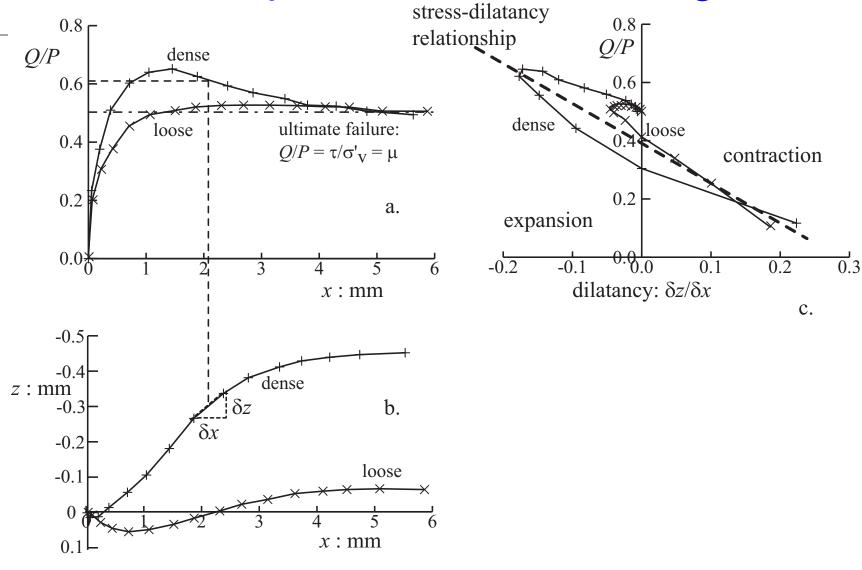


#### hyperbolic mobilisation of strength

$$\frac{R}{R_p} = \frac{\varepsilon_s}{\zeta_S + \varepsilon_s}$$

$$\delta R = \frac{1}{R_p} \left[ (R_p - R)^2 \frac{\delta \varepsilon_s}{\zeta_S} + R \delta R_p \right]$$

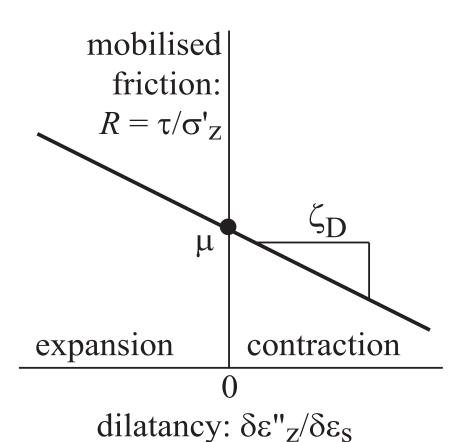




- shear box data for dense and loose sand
- stress-dilatancy relationship (Taylor)



#### stress-dilatancy relationship



$$\frac{\delta \varepsilon_z''}{\delta \varepsilon_s} = \zeta_D(\mu - R)$$

- feedback mechanism: if soil not at critical state, volume change occurs to bring it to asymptotic critical state
- total vertical strain  $\delta \varepsilon_z = \delta \varepsilon_z' + \delta \varepsilon_z''$
- elasticity + dilatancy



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#### complete stress-strain stiffness relationship

$$\delta\sigma_z' = E_o[\delta\varepsilon_z - \Psi_3\delta\varepsilon_s]$$

$$\delta \tau = E_o[-\Psi_1 \delta \varepsilon_z + (\Psi_2 + \Psi_1 \Psi_3) \delta \varepsilon_s]$$

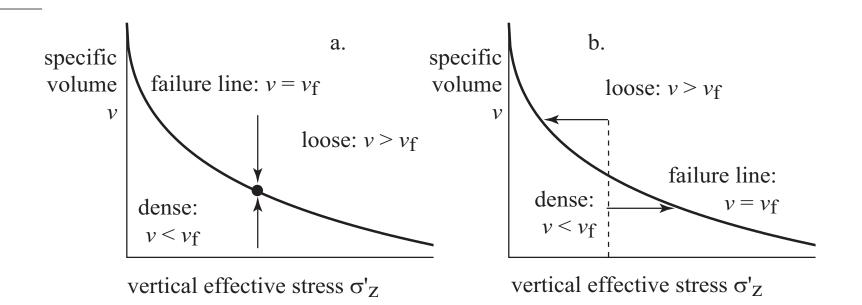
$$\Psi_1 = \frac{\zeta_R R}{R_p} \left[ \beta(v_f - v_{min}) \left( \frac{\sigma_z'}{\sigma_{ref}} \right)^{\beta} - \frac{v \sigma_z'}{E_o} \right] - R$$

$$\Psi_2 = \left[ \frac{(R_p - R)^2}{\zeta_S R_p} + \frac{\zeta_R v R \Psi_3}{R_p} \right] \frac{\sigma_z'}{E_o}$$

$$\Psi_3 = \zeta_D(\mu - R)$$

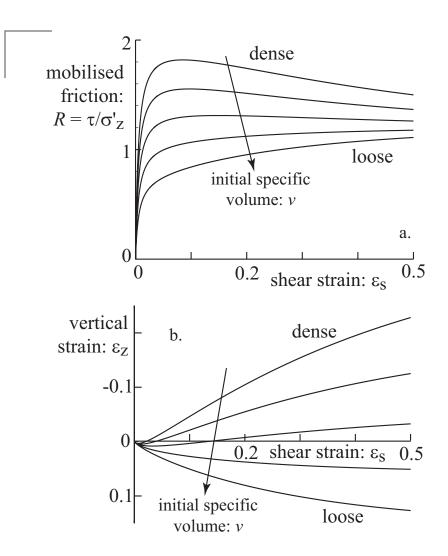


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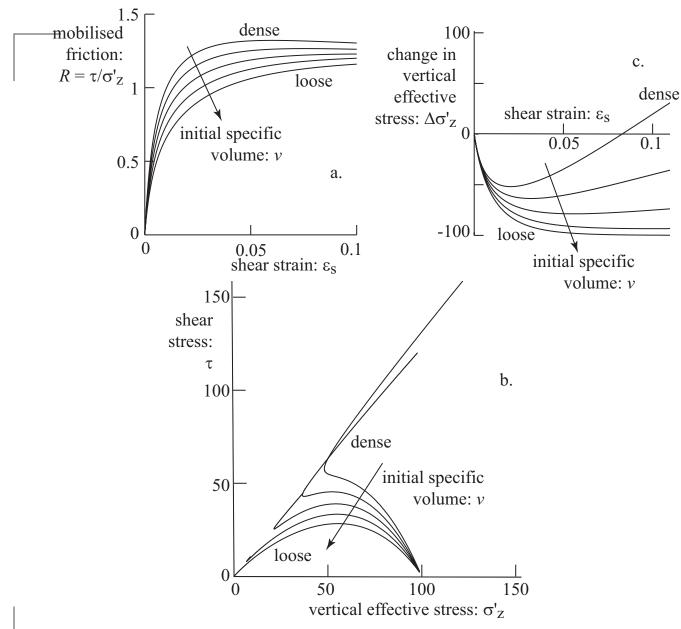
- $\delta \sigma_z' = E_o[\delta \varepsilon_z \Psi_3 \delta \varepsilon_s]$
- $\delta \tau = E_o[-\Psi_1 \delta \varepsilon_z + (\Psi_2 + \Psi_1 \Psi_3) \delta \varepsilon_s]$
- drained (constant  $\sigma_z'$ ):  $\delta \tau = \Psi_2 E_o \delta \varepsilon_s$ ,  $\delta \varepsilon_z = \Psi_3 \delta \varepsilon_s$
- undrained (constant height)  $\delta \tau = (\Psi_2 + \Psi_1 \Psi_3) E_o \delta \varepsilon_s$ ,  $\delta \sigma_z'/\delta \tau = -\Psi_3/(\Psi_2 + \Psi_1 \Psi_3)$

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drained shearing with different initial densities







- one-dimensional model
- stiffness strength state parameter dilatancy
- rich range of predicted responses

