

Parameters of the HS model

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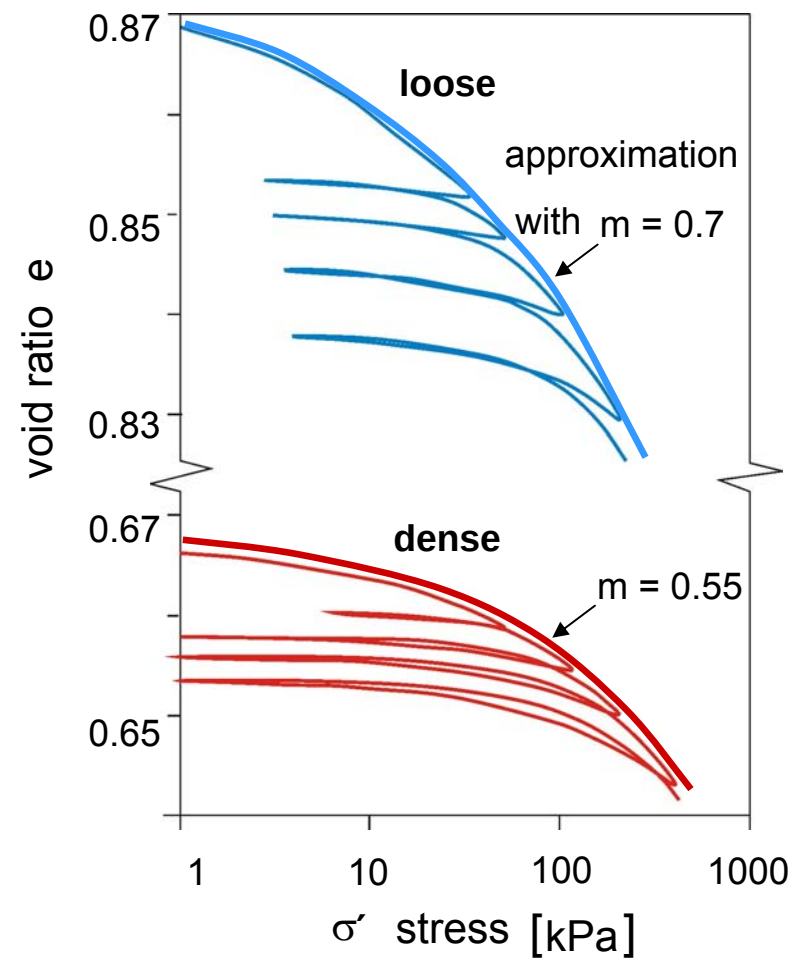
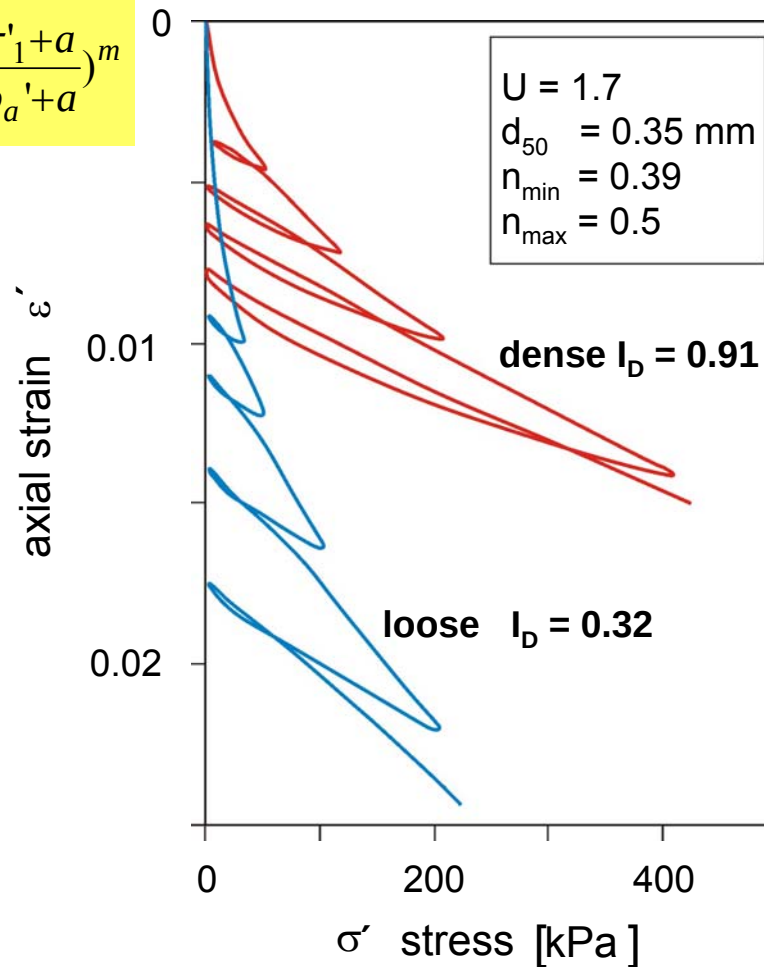
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Parameters	Expression	Description
Deformation	E_{50}^{ref}	Reference modulus for primary loading in drained triaxial test
	E_{oed}^{ref}	Reference modulus for primary loading in oedometer test
	E_{ur}^{ref}	Reference modulus for unloading/reloading in drained triaxial test
	m	Modulus exponent for stress dependency
	ν_{ur}	Poisson's ratio for loading/unloading
Strength	c' ϕ' ψ	Effective cohesion at failure Effective friction angle at failure Dilatancy angle at failure
Special	σ_p POP: $(\sigma_p - \sigma_{vo}')$ OCR: σ_p / σ_{vo}'	Initial preconsolidation stress
	$K_o = K_o^{nc} \sqrt{OCR_o}$ $K_o^{nc} = 1 - \sin \phi'$	Earth pressure coefficient at rest



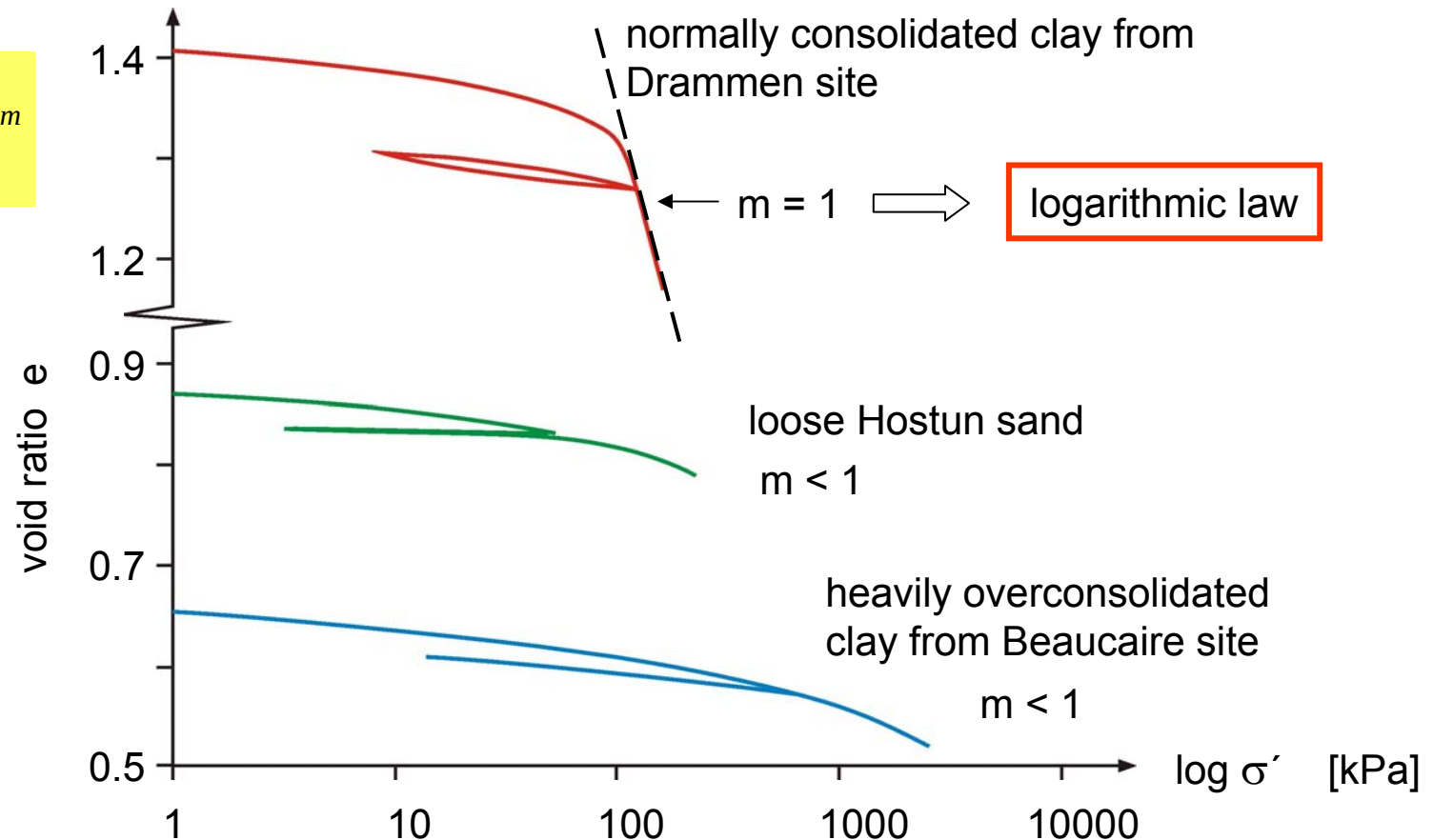
Oedometer tests on Hostun Sand

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Modulus exponent m

$$E_{oed} = E_{oed}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma'_1 + a}{p_a' + a} \right)^m$$



clays: $m \approx 0.8 - 1$
 sands: $m \approx 0.5 - 0.6$



Stiffness moduli

- Oedometer stiffness

$$E_{oed} = E_{oed}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma'_1 + a}{p_a' + a} \right)^m$$

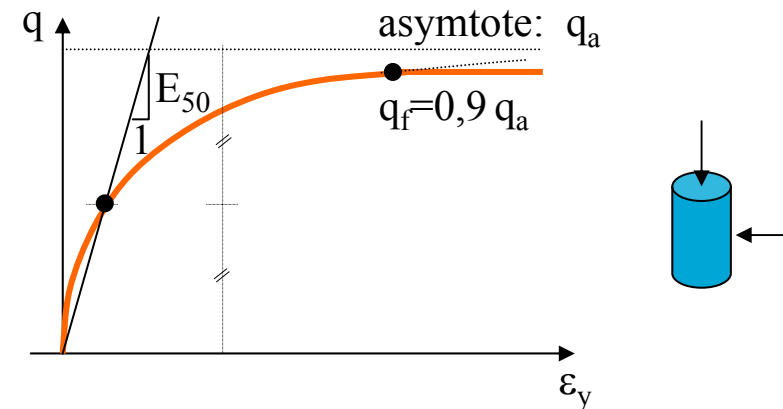
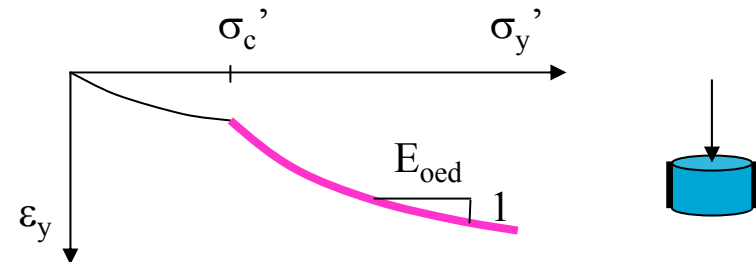
- Secant stiffness

$$E_{50} = E_{50}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma'_3 + a}{p_a' + a} \right)^m$$

$$\sigma_3 = K_0 \sigma_1$$

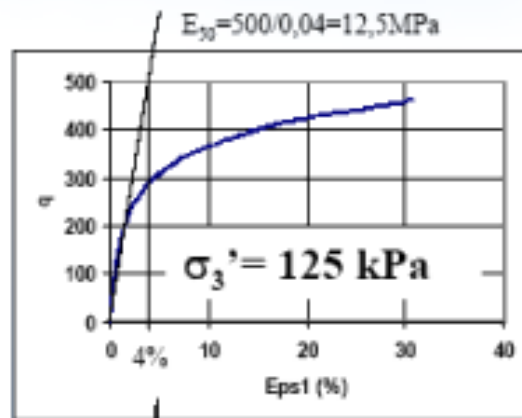
$$\frac{E_{oed}}{E_{50}} = \frac{E_{oed}^{ref} (\sigma_1 + a)^m}{E_{50}^{ref} (\sigma_3 + a)^m}$$

$$\text{For } c = 0: \quad \frac{1}{(K_0)^m}$$



The parameter E_{50}^{ref} for sand

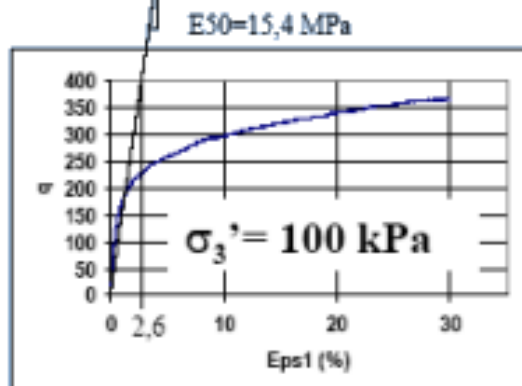
- Drained triaxial test on Hokksund sand, $D_r = 20\%$



$$E_{50}^{ref} = E_{50} \sqrt{\frac{p_{ref} + a}{\sigma'_x + a}}$$

$$E_{50}^{ref} = 12.5 \text{ MPa} \sqrt{\frac{100 + 0}{125 + 0}} = 11 \text{ MPa}$$

Low stiffness for a loose sand!



$$E_{50}^{ref} = 15.4 \text{ MPa}$$

Normally:

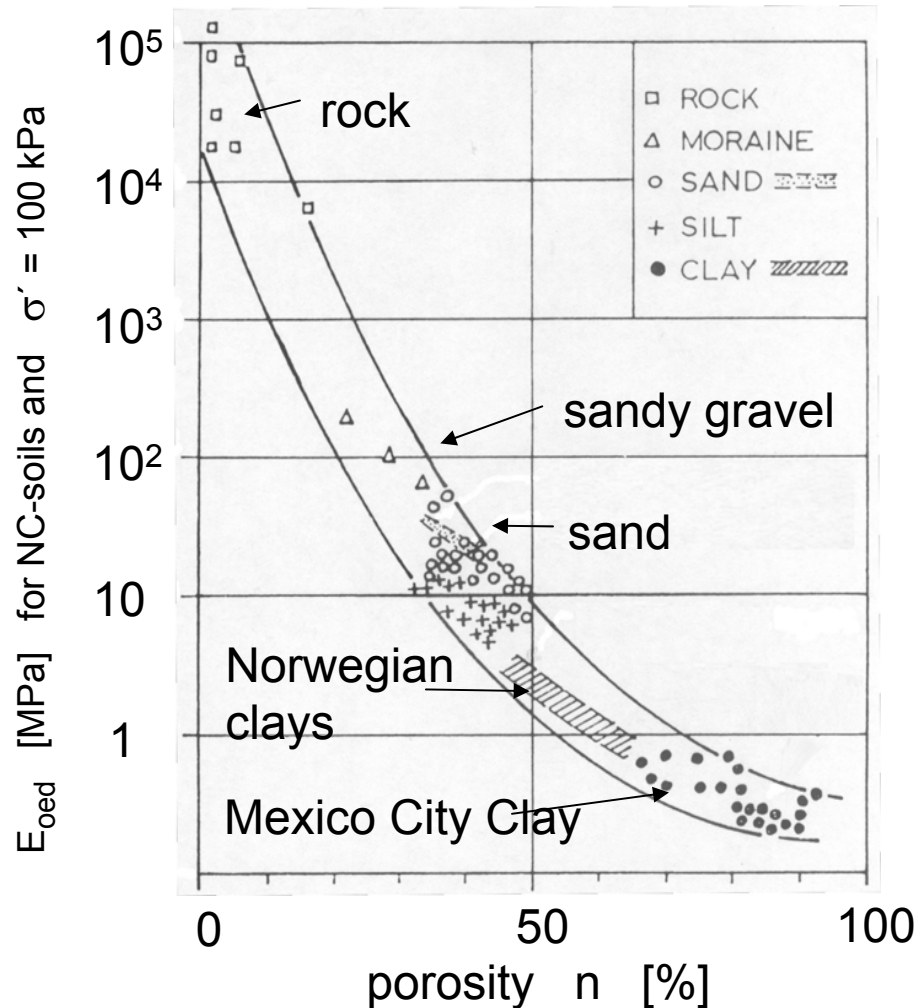
Loose sands: $E_{50}^{ref} = 15 \text{ MPa}$

Dense sands: $E_{50}^{ref} = 50 \text{ MPa}$



Shaoli (2004), PhD Thesis, NTNU

Oedometer moduli for primary loading of NC-soils after Janbu (1963)



Janbu (1963) :

$$E_{oed} = E_{oed}^{ref} \cdot \left(\frac{\sigma' + a}{p_{ref} + a} \right)^m$$

with $a = c' \cot \phi'$



Moduli for primary loading of NC-soils after von Sooss (2002)

primary loading of normally consolidated soils	γ_{sat} kN / m ³	n %	E_{oed} [MPa] $\sigma' = 100 \text{ kPa}$	m
very dense quartz sand	21	35	50	0.6
very loose quartz sand	18	50	20	
silt with liquid limit $w_L = 0.2$	19	45	5	0.75
clay with liquid limit $w_L = 0.6$	16	65	1	1.0

von Sooss (2002) provides much more detailed information on many soil types
Data from: Geotechnical Engineering Handbook, Vol. 1: (Fundamentals),
Publisher: Ernst & Sons



Compressibility of OC-clays and NC-clays after Tomlinson (1995)

Type	Qualitative description	Coefficient of volume compressibility m_v [m ² /MN]	E_{oed} [MPa]
Heavily overconsolidated boulder clays (e.g. many Scottish boulder clays) and stiff weathered rocks (e.g. weathered siltstone), hard London Clay, Gault Clay, and Oxford Clay (at depth)	Very low compressibility	Below 0.05	> 20
Boulder clays (e.g. Teeside, Cheshire) and very stiff 'blue' London Clay, Oxford Clay, Keuper Marl	Low compressibility	0.05 – 0.10	10 – 20
Upper 'blue' London Clay, weathered 'brown' London Clay, fluvio-glacial clays, Lake clays, weathered Oxford Clay, weathered Boulder Clay, weathered Keuper Marl, normally consolidated clays (at depth)	Medium compressibility	0.10 – 0.30	3 – 10
Normally consolidated alluvial clays (e.g. estuarine clays of Thames, Firth of Forth, Bristol Channel, Shatt-al-Arab, Niger Delta, Chicago Clay), Norwegian 'Quick' Clay	High compressibility	0.30 – 1.50	0.7 - 3
Very organic alluvial clays and peats	Very high compressibility	Above 1.5	< 0.7



Note: Tomlinson does not indicate a stress level, but data seem to correspond to $p_{ref} = 100$ kPa.
Tomlinson (1995): Foundation Design and Construction, Pitman Publishing Inc.

Unloading stiffness

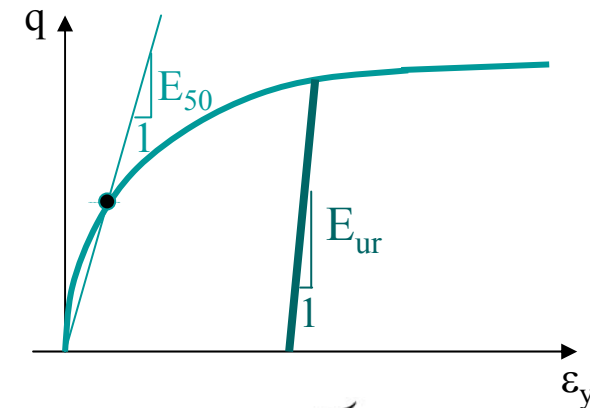
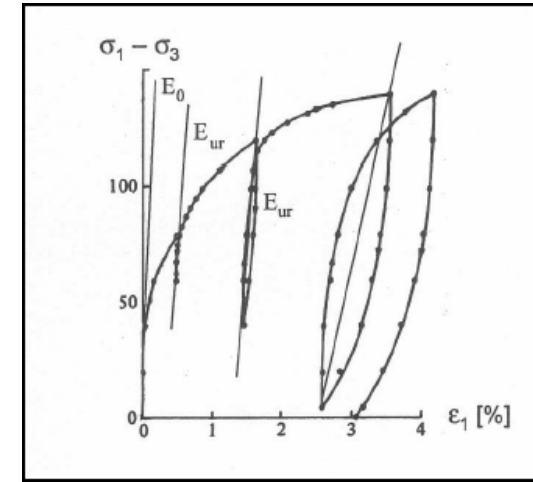
- Unloading-reloading stiffness

$$E_{ur} = E_{ur}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma_3' + a}{p_a' + a} \right)^m$$

$\nu_{ur} = \text{low value}$

- Unloading is purely elastic

$$E_{ur} \approx 3-5E_{50}$$



Unloading stiffness

Unloading stiffness in triaxial tests and oedometer tests are theoretically rather similar for $\nu_{ur} = 0.2$:

$$\boxed{\text{OEDO}} \rightarrow E_{\text{oed}_{ur}} = \frac{E_{ur}(1-\nu_{ur})}{(1-2\nu_{ur})(1+\nu_{ur})} = 1,11 \cdot E_{ur} \leftarrow \boxed{\text{TRIAX}}$$

From experience: $E_{ur \text{ oed}} \sim \alpha E_{\text{oed}}$

Note that σ_1' and σ_3' stress dependency complicates slightly:

$$E_{ur}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma_3' + a}{p_a' + a} \right)^m = \alpha \cdot E_{\text{oed}}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma_1' + a}{p_a' + a} \right)^m$$

$$E_{ur}^{ref} = \alpha \cdot E_{\text{oed}}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma_1' + a}{\sigma_3' + a} \right)^m = \alpha \cdot E_{\text{oed}}^{ref} / (K_0)^m$$



Unloading stiffness

Examples, observations from oedometer tests:

NC clay: $E_{ur\ oed} \sim 10E_{oed}$

NC sand: $E_{ur\ oed} \sim 3E_{oed}$

OC clay: $E_{ur\ oed} \sim 3E_{oed}$

Utilizing $E_{ur}^{ref} = \alpha \cdot E_{oed}^{ref} / (K_0)^m$

NC clay: $E_{ur}^{ref} \sim 10E_{oed}^{ref} K_0 \sim 20E_{oed}^{ref}$

NC sand: $E_{ur}^{ref} \sim 3E_{oed}^{ref} / \sqrt{K_0} \sim 4E_{oed}^{ref}$

OC clay: $E_{ur}^{ref} \sim 3E_{oed}^{ref} / K_0 \sim 3E_{oed}^{ref}$



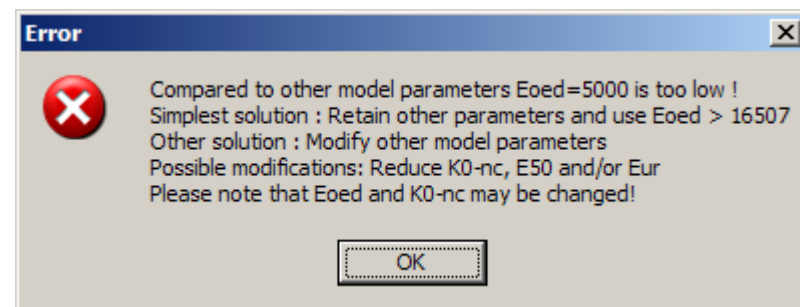
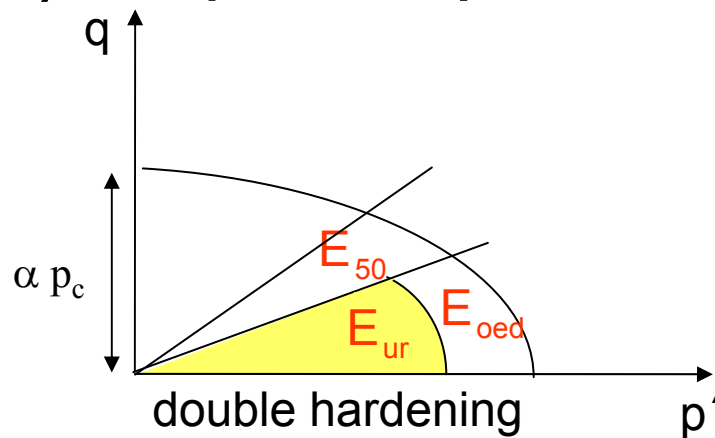
Compaction hardening in the HS model

Yield function: $f^c = \frac{\tilde{q}^2}{\alpha^2} + p^2 - p_p^2$

Hardening rule: $\varepsilon_v^{pc} = \frac{\beta}{1-m} \left(\frac{p_p}{p^{ref}} \right)^{1-m}$

α is primarily determined by K_0^{nc}

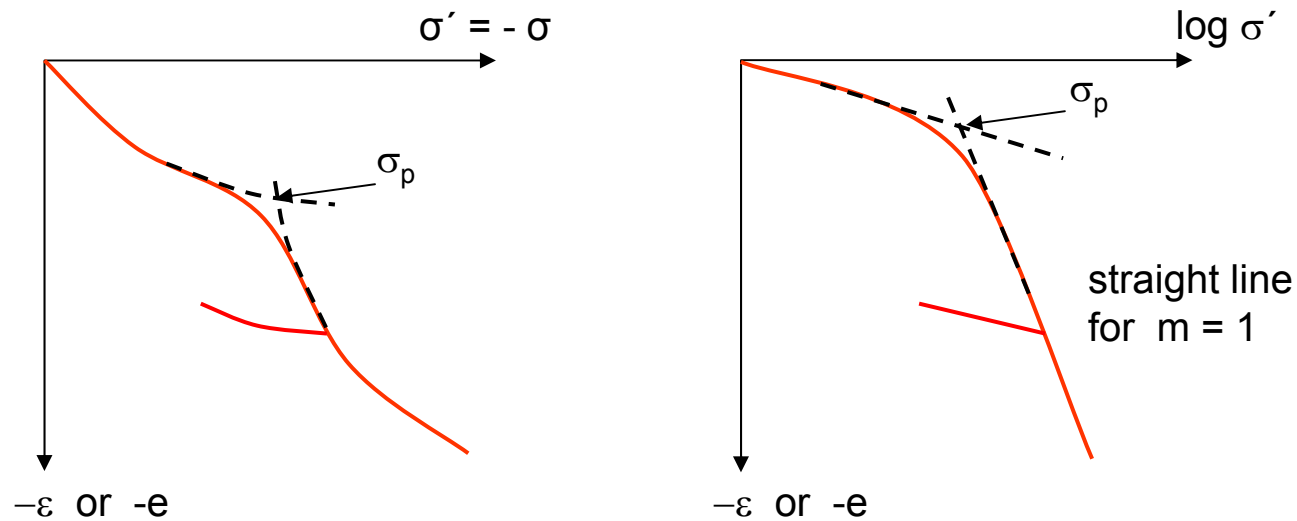
β is primarily determined by E_{oed}



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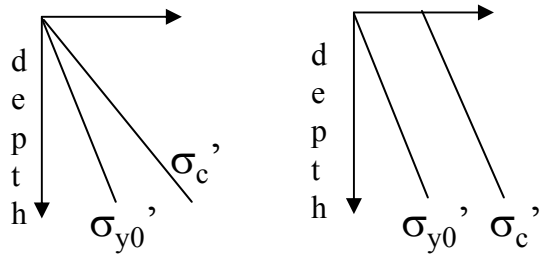
Preconsolidation pressure



σ_p = preconsolidation pressure



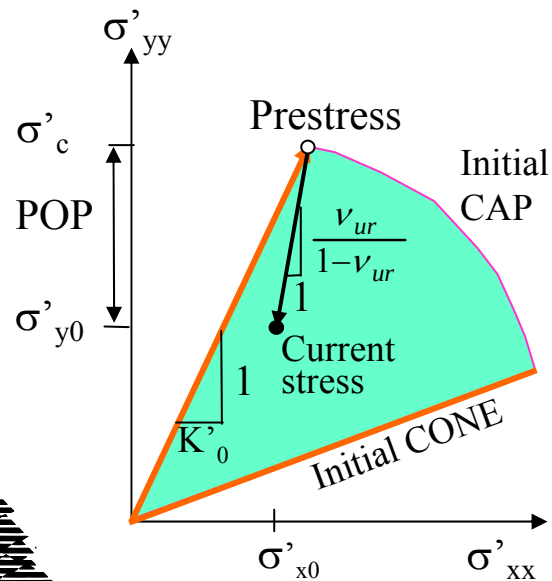
Initial stress



$$\sigma'_c = OCR \cdot \sigma_{y0}'$$

$$\sigma'_c = \sigma_{y0}' + POP$$

Preconsolidation is entered
by OCR or POP relative to
initial vertical stress.
Converted to p_p by program



Initial horizontal stress by:

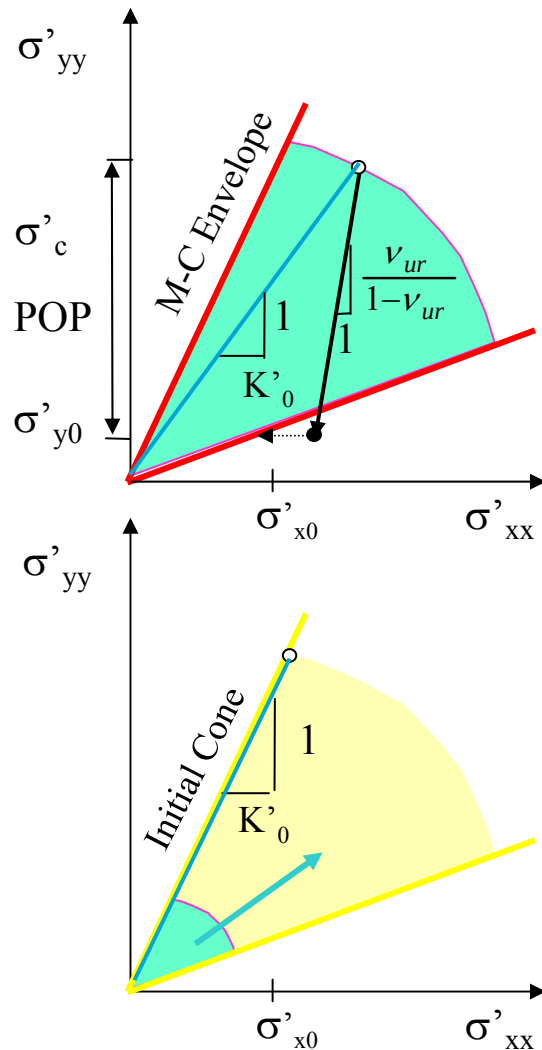
$$\sigma'_{x0} = K'_0 \cdot \sigma'_c - (\sigma'_c - \sigma'_{y0}) \cdot \frac{v_{ur}}{1 - v_{ur}}$$

Default:

$$K'_0 = 1 - \sin \varphi$$



Initial stress

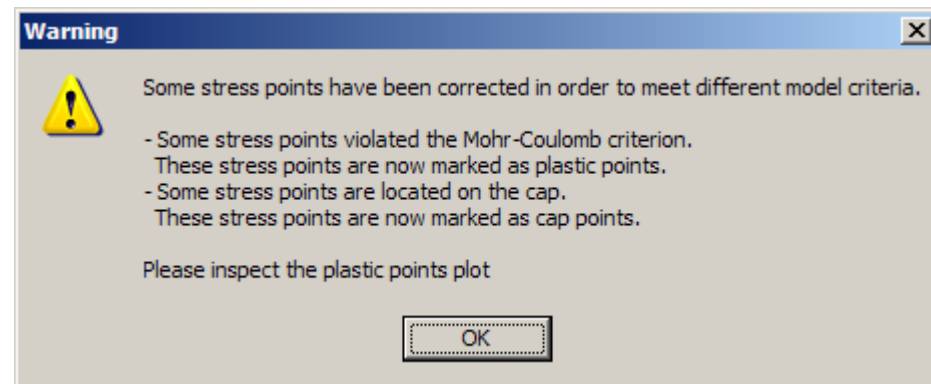


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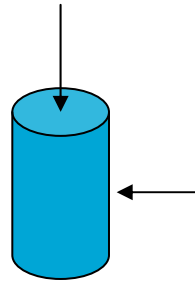
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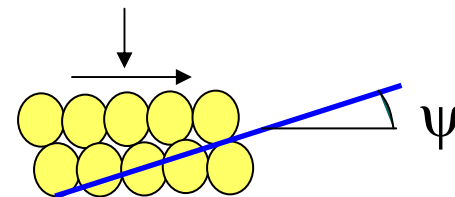
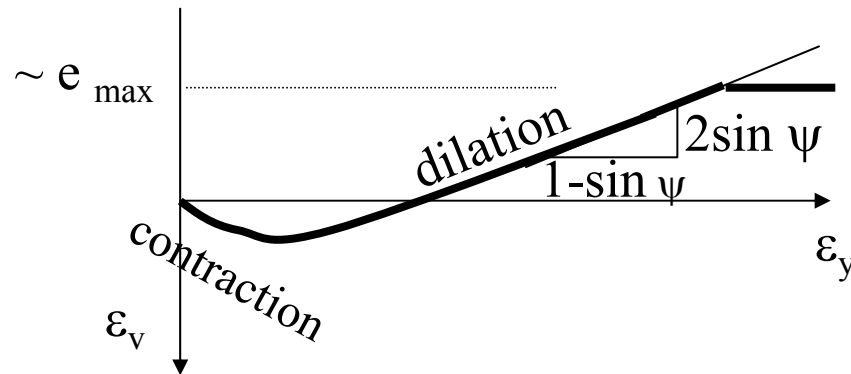


Dilatancy



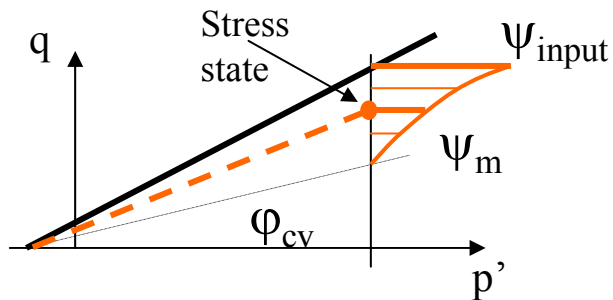
Drained triaxial test

Sand: Often contraction then dilation, Rowe (1962).



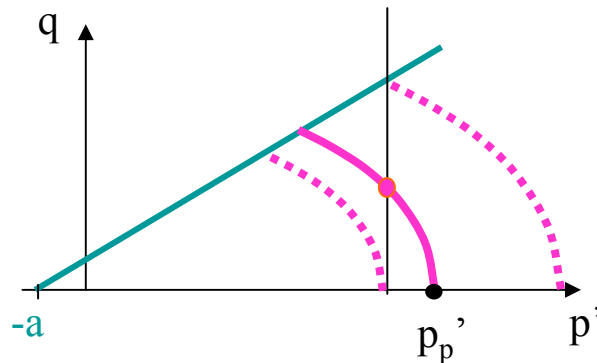
Dilatancy

- Dilatancy from cone (most important part)



Nonassociated cone flow:
increasing dilatancy ψ_m from zero
at ϕ_{cv} to input value ψ_{input} on MC
line (Rowe).

- Contractancy from cap (less dominating)

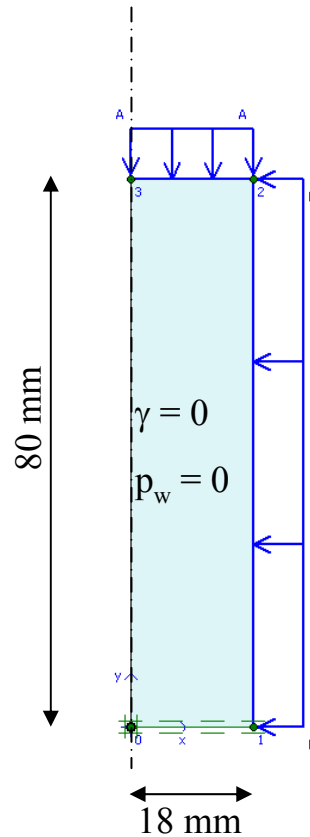


Associated cap flow: Increasing
contractancy from zero to a
maximum value at MC line, but
only when cap moves!

Both interact to provide the HS model dilatancy behaviour



Drained triaxial test, soft clay, simulation



Axial symmetry

Soft clay by
Hardening soil
model:

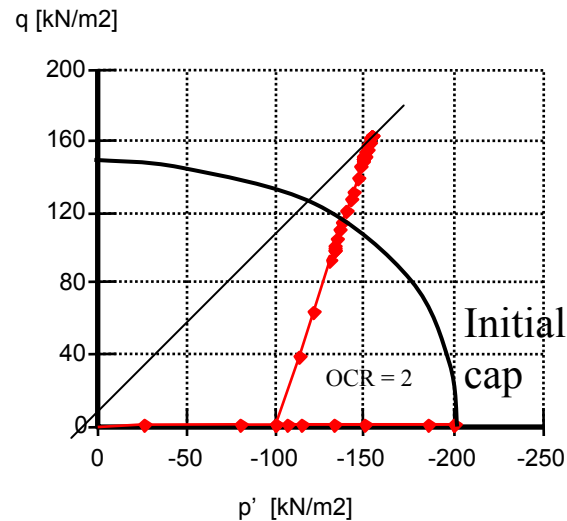
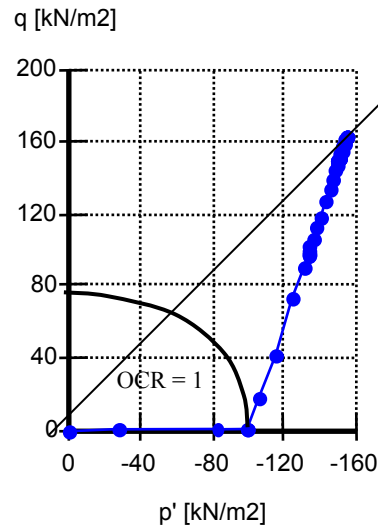
$E_{50}^{ref} = 2 \text{ MPa}$	$m = 1$	$\phi = 25^\circ$
$E_{oed}^{ref} = 2 \text{ MPa}$	$v_{ur} = 0,2$	$\Psi = 0^\circ$
$E_{ur}^{ref} = 10 \text{ MPa}$	$c = 5 \text{ kPa}$	$K_{nc}^o = 0,577$

Zero initial stresses,
preconsolidation generated by preloading

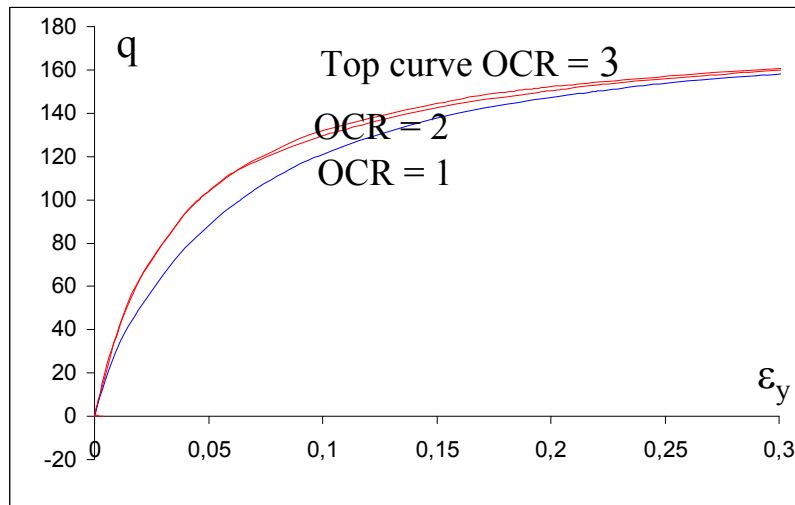


Drained triaxial test, soft clay, results

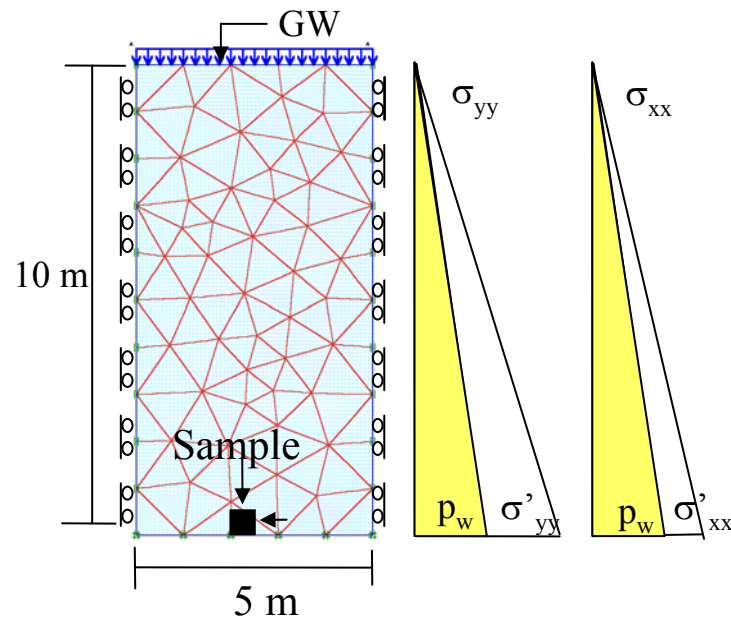
Stress paths:



Effect of OCR:



Oedometer test simulation, soft clay



High “oedometer” cut out as a vertical column from the site in question.

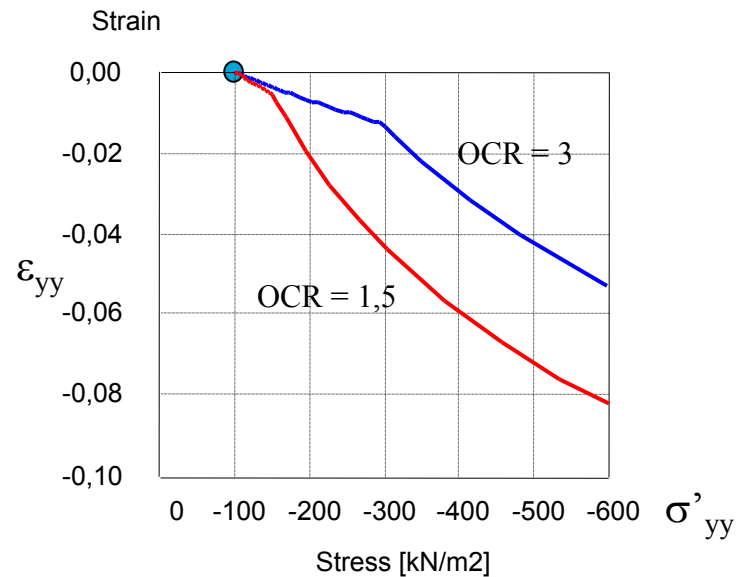
Start the “test” from in situ stresses and specified preconsolidation for the sample studied.

Soft clay by
Hardening soil
model:

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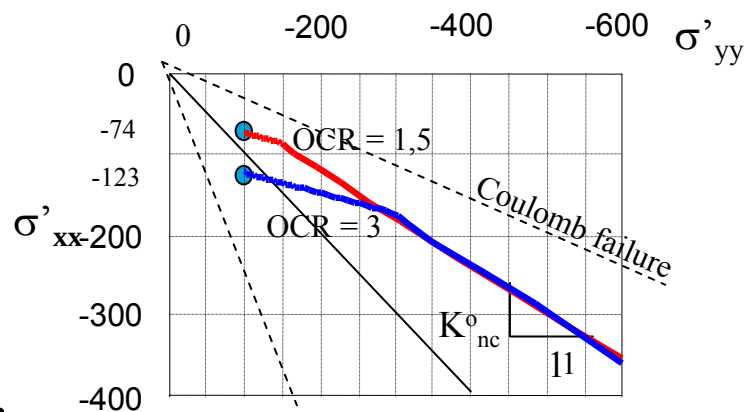
Oedometer test results, soft clay



Note the
preconsolidation
levels at:

$$\sigma'_{yy} = 150 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\sigma'_{yy} = 300 \text{ kPa}$$



Note how the
initial state
for OCR = 3
starts with
 $\sigma'_{xx} > \sigma'_{yy}$

