

**ME111**  
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**Today's Topics**

- Plane stress
- Stress transformation; Mohr's circle
- Principal stresses; maximum shear stress.

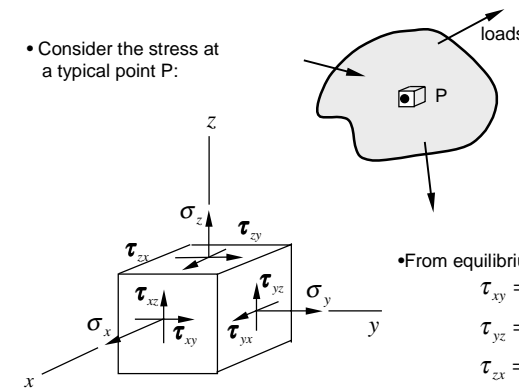
**Reading Assignment**

**Problem Set #3** (Due October 18, 2000)

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| Juvinall | 4.12 |
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**7.1 Stresses in Three Dimensions**

- Stress at point is expressed in terms of *components* with respect to a set of fixed coordinate axes.
- Consider the stress at a typical point P:



•From equilibrium we know

$$\tau_{xy} = \tau_{yx},$$

$$\tau_{yz} = \tau_{zy},$$

$$\tau_{zx} = \tau_{xz}$$

- There are 3 components of normal stress

$$\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z$$

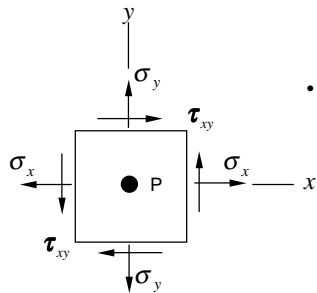
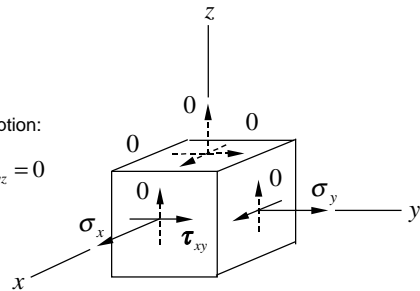
- There are 3 components of shear stress

$$\tau_{xy}, \tau_{yz}, \tau_{zx}$$

### 7.2 Stress in Two Dimensions (Plane Stress)

• Plane stress assumption:

$$\sigma_{zz} = 0, \tau_{zx} = 0, \sigma_{yz} = 0$$

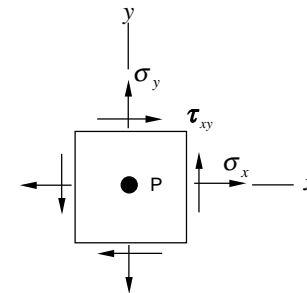


• Positive stresses in plane stress

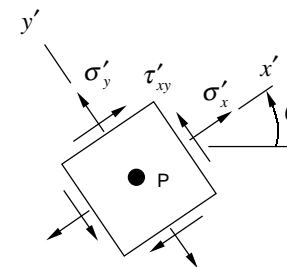
### 7.3 Transformation of Stress in Two Dimensions

• We need to understand how the components of the stress tensor change with rotation of coordinate axes.

Given



Find



- By considering equilibrium, we can relate the components of the stress at P referred to both coordinate systems (see E14 notes and text):

$$\sigma_{x'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

$$\sigma_{y'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

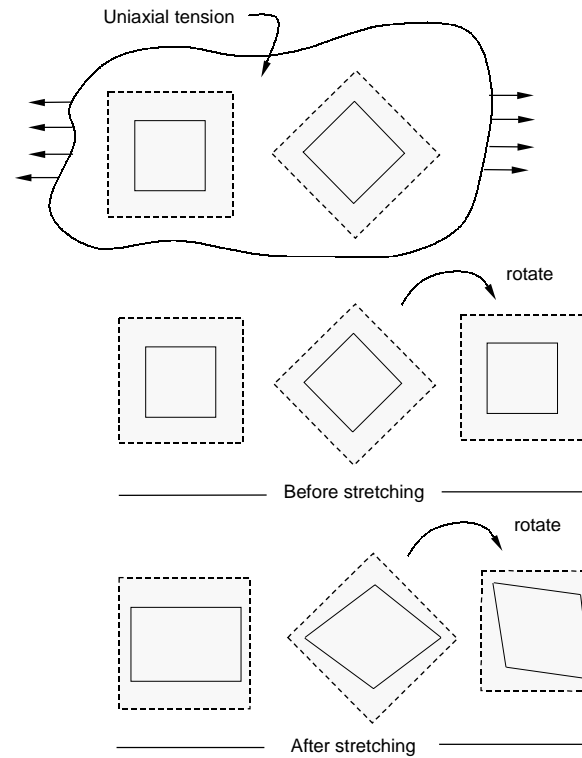
$$\tau_{x'y'} = -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$$

- Observe:

- (1)  $\sigma_{y'} = \sigma_{x'}$  (at  $\theta = \theta + 90^\circ$ )  

$$= \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta - \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$
- (2)  $\sigma_x + \sigma_y = \sigma_{x'} + \sigma_{y'}$  -- called a stress invariant

**Thought Experiment on Stress Transformation**  
(Why pure stretching also produces shearing)



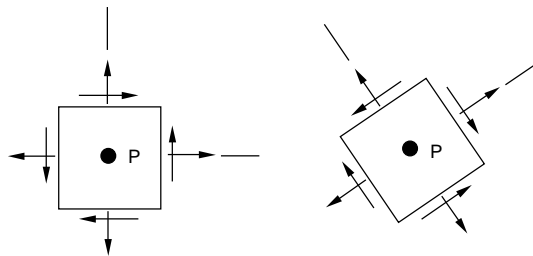
**Example 7.1**

Given  $\sigma_x = 150 \text{ MPa}$ ,  $\sigma_y = 50 \text{ MPa}$ ,  $\tau_{xy} = 40 \text{ MPa}$   
 Determine the stresses on an element oriented at  $\theta = 40^\circ$

$$\sigma_{x'} = \frac{150 + 50}{2} + \frac{150 - 50}{2} \cos 80^\circ + 40 \sin 80^\circ = 148.1$$

$$\sigma_{y'} = \frac{150 + 50}{2} - \frac{150 - 50}{2} \cos 80^\circ - 40 \sin 80^\circ = 51.9$$

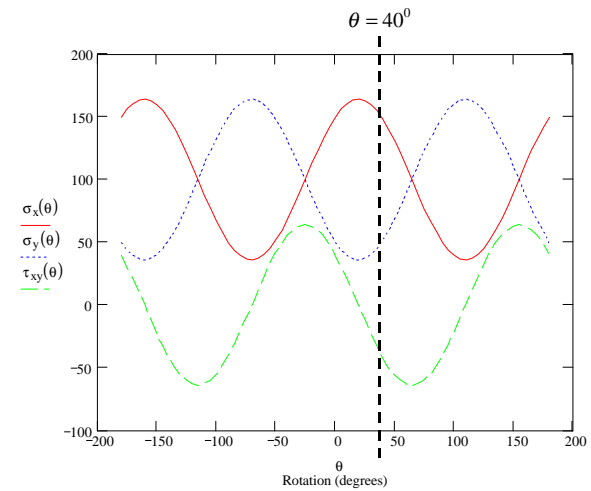
$$\tau_{x'y'} = -\frac{150 - 50}{2} \sin 80^\circ + 40 \cos 80^\circ = -42.3$$



$$\sigma_{x'} = \frac{150 + 50}{2} + \frac{150 - 50}{2} \cos 2\theta + 40 \sin 2\theta$$

$$\sigma_{y'} = \frac{150 + 50}{2} - \frac{150 - 50}{2} \cos 2\theta - 40 \sin 2\theta$$

$$\tau_{x'y'} = -\frac{150 - 50}{2} \sin 2\theta + 40 \cos 2\theta$$



**7.4 Principal Stresses in 2-d**

- There will exist values of  $\theta$  for which the normal stress components are maximum (minimum):

$$\frac{d\sigma_{x'}}{d\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \tan 2\theta_p = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}$$

- Provides two angles  $\theta_{p1}$  and  $\theta_{p2}$  which differ by  $90^\circ$  and define the principal planes
- Using these angles in the expression for the transformed stress gives

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{p1} &\rightarrow \sigma_{x'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \\ &:= \sigma_1 \\ \theta_{p2} &\rightarrow \sigma_{y'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \\ &:= \sigma_2 \end{aligned}$$

- Note that: (1) Shear stress on the principal planes is zero,  
(2)  $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2$

• Question -- Given the two roots of:  $\tan 2\theta_p = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}$

how will you decide which angle defines which principal plane?

Answer -- take either root and substitute it into:

$$\sigma_{x'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

and compare  $\sigma_{x'}$  with the known values of  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$

**7.5 Maximum Shear Stresses**

- There will exist values of  $\theta$  for which the shear stress components are maximum (minimum):

$$\frac{d\tau_{x'y'}}{d\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \tan 2\theta_s = -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2\tau_{xy}}$$

- Provides two angles  $\theta_{s1}$  and  $\theta_{s2}$  which differ by  $90^\circ$  and define
- Using these angles in the expression for the transformed stress gives

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{s1} &\rightarrow \tau_{x'y'} = +\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \\ &:= \tau_{\max} \\ \theta_{s2} &\rightarrow \tau_{x'y'} = -\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \\ &:= \tau_{\min} \end{aligned}$$

- Note that:

(1)  $\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2}$  (useful result!)

(2) Mean stress on **both** planes of max/min shear stress is:  $\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}$

(3) Observe  $\sigma_x + \sigma_y = \sigma_1 + \sigma_2$

**Example 7.2**

Given  $\sigma_x = 150 \text{ MPa}$ ,  $\sigma_y = 50 \text{ MPa}$ ,  $\tau_{xy} = 40 \text{ MPa}$

Determine:

- (a) the principal planes and principal stresses, and
- (b) the planes of maximum shear stress and the maximum shear stress value.

(a) Principal planes and stresses:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{1,2} &= \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \\ &= \frac{150 + 50}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{150 - 50}{2}\right)^2 + 40^2} \\ &= 164.0, 36.0 \end{aligned}$$

Now let's find the principal planes:

$$\begin{aligned} \tan 2\theta_p &= \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y} \Rightarrow 2\theta_p = 38.66^\circ, 38.66^\circ \pm 180^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \theta_p &= 19.33^\circ, 19.33^\circ \pm 90^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Consider  $\theta_p = 19.33^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{x'} &= \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta \\ &= \frac{150 + 50}{2} + \frac{150 - 50}{2} \cos 2(19.33^\circ) + 40 \sin 2(19.33^\circ) \\ &= 164.0 \\ \Rightarrow \theta_{p1} &= 19.33^\circ, \theta_{p2} = 109.33^\circ \end{aligned}$$

(b) Maximum shear stresses:

$$\tau_{\max/\min} = \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} = \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{150 - 50}{2}\right)^2 + 40^2} = \pm 64.0$$

Now let's find the maximum shear planes:

$$\begin{aligned} \tan 2\theta_s &= -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2\tau_{xy}} \Rightarrow 2\theta_s = -51.34^\circ, -51.34^\circ \pm 180^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \theta_s &= -25.67^\circ, -25.67^\circ \pm 90^\circ \end{aligned}$$

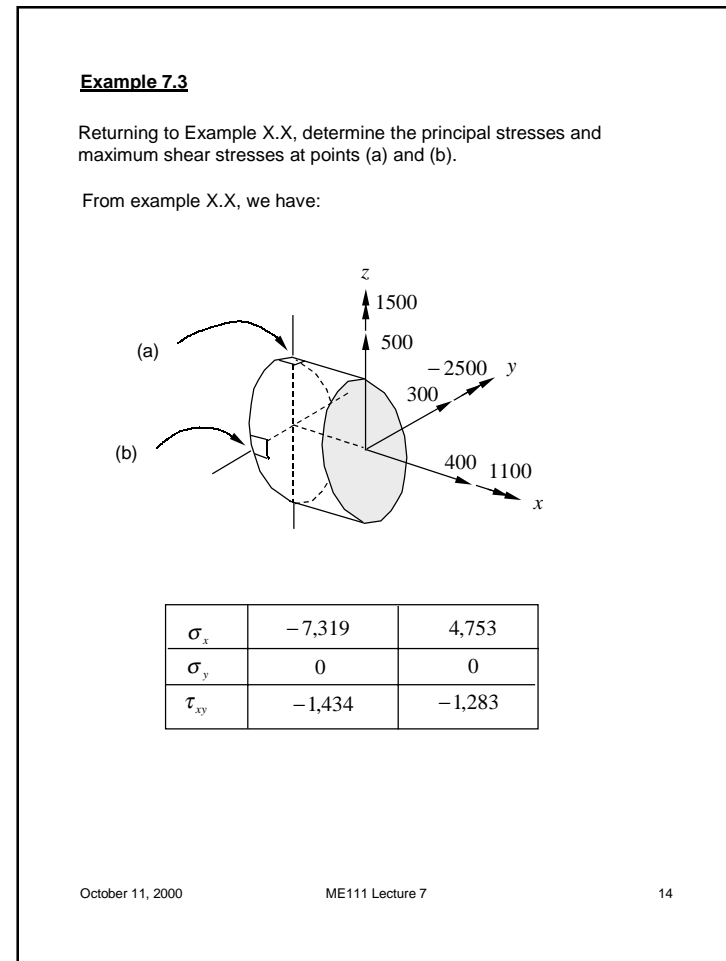
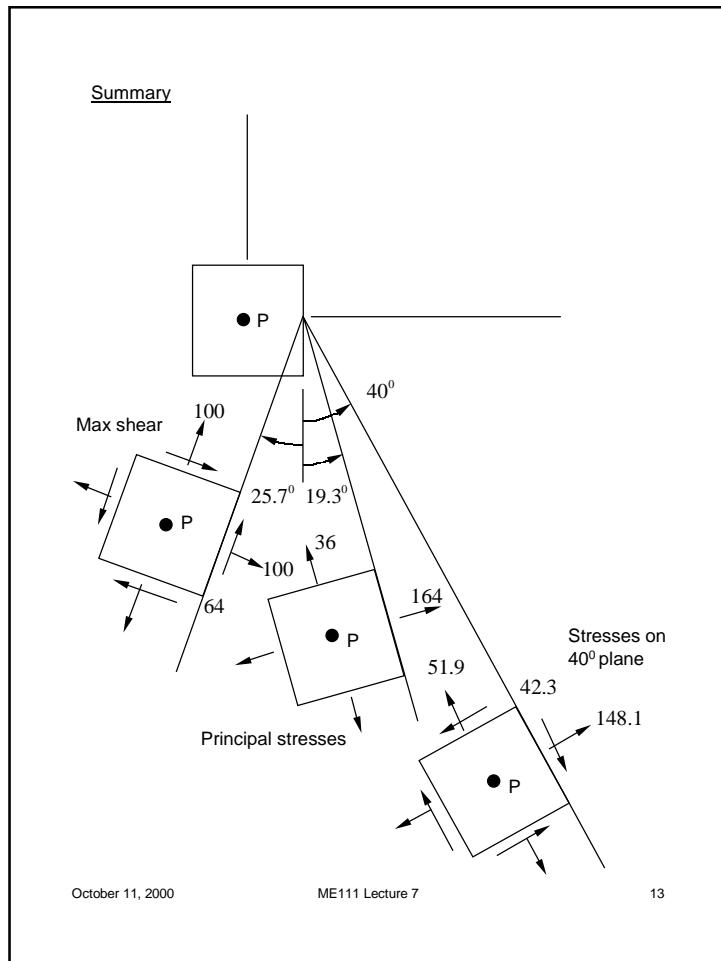
Consider  $\theta_s = -25.67^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{x'y'} &= -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta \\ &= -\frac{150 - 50}{2} \sin 2(-25.67^\circ) + 40 \cos 2(-25.67^\circ) = +64.0 \\ \Rightarrow \theta_{s1} &= -25.67^\circ, \theta_{s2} = 64.33^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Normal stress} = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} = \frac{150 + 50}{2} = 100$$

Finally, lets check that:

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_2}{2} \rightarrow +64 = \frac{164 - 36}{2} = \text{true}$$



$$\sigma_x := -7319$$

$$\sigma_y := 0$$

$$\tau_{xy} := -1434$$

$$\sigma_m := \frac{(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)}{2}$$

$$\sigma_d := \frac{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)}{2}$$

$$\rho := \sqrt{\sigma_d^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\sigma_1 := \sigma_m + \rho$$

$$\sigma_2 := \sigma_m - \rho$$

$$\theta_p := 0.5 \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_d}\right)$$

$$\sigma_{\text{check}} := \sigma_m + \sigma_d \cos(2\theta_p) + \tau_{xy} \sin(2\theta_p)$$

$$\tau_{\text{check}} := -\sigma_d \sin(2\theta_p) + \tau_{xy} \cos(2\theta_p)$$

$$\sigma_1 = 270.93$$

$$\sigma_2 = -7589.93$$

$$\theta_p \cdot \frac{180}{\pi} = 10.7$$

$$\sigma_{\text{check}} = -7589.93$$

$$\tau_{\text{check}} = 0$$

Point (a)  
Mathcad evaluation

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$$\tau_1 := \rho$$

$$\tau_2 := -\rho$$

$$\theta_s := 0.5 \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{-\sigma_d}{\tau_{xy}}\right)$$

$$\tau_{\text{check}} := -\sigma_d \sin(2\theta_s) + \tau_{xy} \cos(2\theta_s)$$

$$\tau_1 = 3930.43$$

$$\tau_2 = -3930.43$$

$$\theta_s \cdot \frac{180}{\pi} = -34.3$$

$$\tau_{\text{check}} = -3930.43$$

$$\sigma_{\text{normal}} := \sigma_m$$

$$\sigma_{\text{normal}} = -3659.5$$

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$$\sigma_x := 4753$$

$$\sigma_y := 0$$

$$\tau_{xy} := -1283$$

$$\sigma_m := \frac{(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)}{2}$$

$$\sigma_d := \frac{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)}{2}$$

$$\rho := \sqrt{\sigma_d^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\sigma_1 := \sigma_m + \rho$$

$$\sigma_2 := \sigma_m - \rho$$

$$\theta_p := 0.5 \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_d}\right)$$

$$\sigma_{\text{check}} := \sigma_m + \sigma_d \cos(2\theta_p) + \tau_{xy} \sin(2\theta_p)$$

$$\tau_{\text{check}} := -\sigma_d \sin(2\theta_p) + \tau_{xy} \cos(2\theta_p)$$

$$\sigma_1 = 5077.21$$

$$\sigma_2 = -324.21$$

$$\theta_p \cdot \frac{180}{\pi} = -14.18$$

$$\sigma_{\text{check}} = 5077.21$$

$$\tau_{\text{check}} = 0$$

Point (b)  
Mathcad evaluation

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$$\tau_1 := \rho$$

$$\tau_2 := -\rho$$

$$\theta_s := 0.5 \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{-\sigma_d}{\tau_{xy}}\right)$$

$$\tau_{\text{check}} := -\sigma_d \sin(2\theta_s) + \tau_{xy} \cos(2\theta_s)$$

$$\tau_1 = 2700.71$$

$$\tau_2 = -2700.71$$

$$\theta_s \cdot \frac{180}{\pi} = 30.82$$

$$\tau_{\text{check}} = -2700.71$$

$$\sigma_{\text{normal}} := \sigma_m$$

$$\sigma_{\text{normal}} = 2376.5$$

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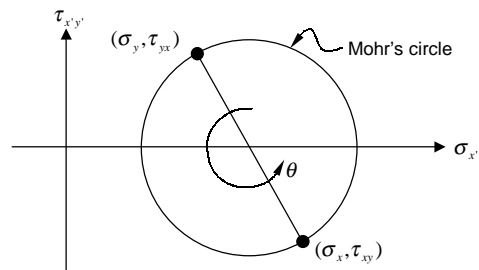
**7.6 Mohr's Circle for Plane Stress**

- Mohr's circle is a geometric interpretation of the plane stress transformation formulae:

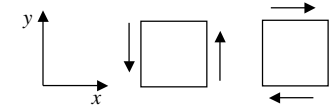
$$\sigma_{x'} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \sin 2\theta$$

$$\tau_{x'y'} = -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin 2\theta + \tau_{xy} \cos 2\theta$$

- We introduce a special sign convention for shear stresses -- this convention is used only for the construction of Mohr's circle:



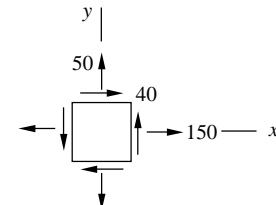
Pairs of shear stresses:  
Clockwise is positive



Stress tensor: positive positive  
Mohr's circle: negative positive

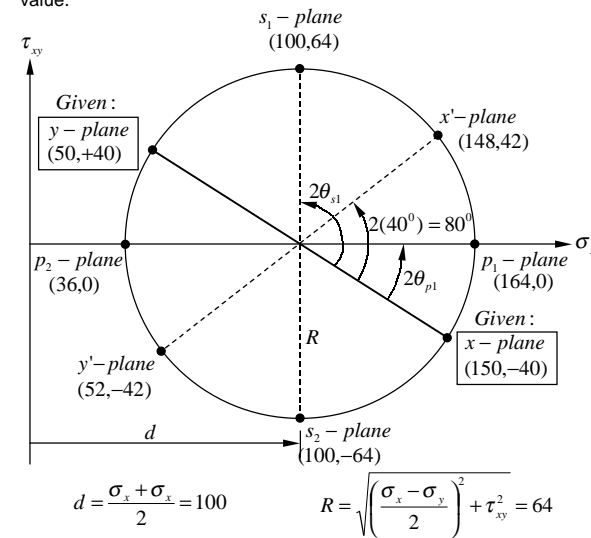
**Example 7.4**

Given  $\sigma_x = 150 \text{ MPa}$ ,  
 $\sigma_y = 50 \text{ MPa}$ ,  
 $\tau_{xy} = 40 \text{ MPa}$



Using Mohr's circle, determine:

- Determine the stresses on an element oriented at  $\theta = 40^\circ$
- The principal planes and principal stresses, and
- The planes of maximum shear stress and the maximum shear stress value.



- The coordinates of the required "planes" are as follows (computed from the circular geometry on the previous page):

$p_1$  - plane:  $\theta_{p1} = 19.3^\circ$   $\sigma_1 = 164.0, \tau_{x'y'} = 0$

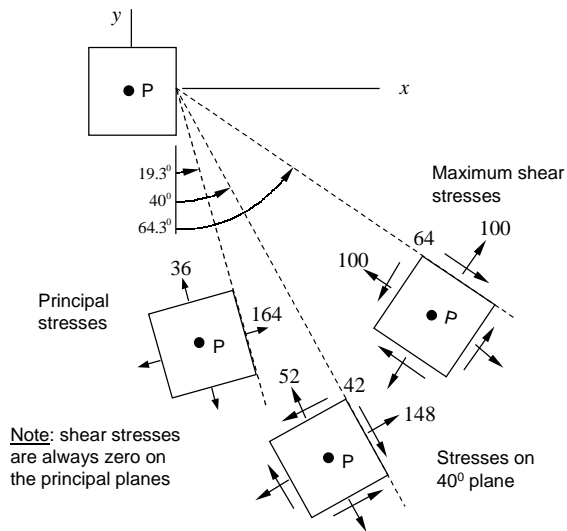
$p_2$  - plane:  $\theta_{p2} = 109.3^\circ$   $\sigma_2 = 36.0, \tau_{x'y'} = 0$

$s_1$  - plane:  $\theta_{s1} = 64.3^\circ$   $\sigma_{s1} = 100.0, \tau_1 = 64.0$  (CW)

$s_2$  - plane:  $\theta_{s2} = 154.3^\circ$   $\sigma_{s2} = 100.0, \tau_2 = -64.0$  (C-CW)

$40^\circ$  - plane:  $\theta = 40^\circ$   $\sigma_x = 148.0, \tau_{x'y'} = 42.0$  (CW)

$130^\circ$  - plane:  $\theta = 130^\circ$   $\sigma_x = 52.0, \tau_{x'y'} = -42.0$  (C-CW)



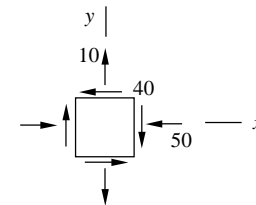
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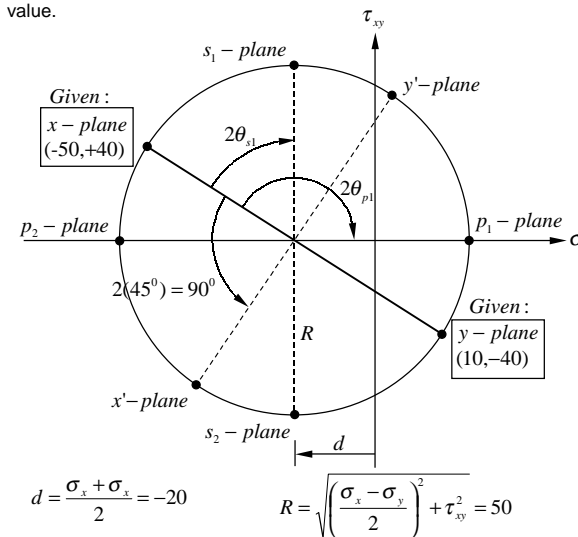
**Example 7.5**

Given  $\sigma_x = -50 \text{ MPa},$   
 $\sigma_y = 10 \text{ MPa},$   
 $\tau_{xy} = -40 \text{ MPa}$



Using Mohr's circle, determine:

- Determine the stresses on an element oriented at  $\theta = 45^\circ$
- The principal planes and principal stresses, and
- The planes of maximum shear stress and the maximum shear stress value.



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- The coordinates of the required "planes" are as follows (computed from the circular geometry on the previous page):

$p_1$  - plane:  $\theta_{p_1} = 63.4^\circ$   $\sigma_1 = 30.0$

$p_2$  - plane:  $\theta_{p_2} = 153.4^\circ$   $\sigma_2 = -70.0$

$s_1$  - plane:  $\theta_{s_1} = 18.4^\circ$   $\sigma_{x'} = -20.0, \tau_1 = 50.0$  (CW)

$s_2$  - plane:  $\theta_{s_2} = 108.4^\circ$   $\sigma_{x'} = -20.0, \tau_2 = -50.0$  (C-CW)

$45^\circ$  - plane:  $\theta = 45^\circ$   $\sigma_{x'} = -60.0, \tau_{x'y'} = -30.0$  (C-CW)

$135^\circ$  - plane:  $\theta = 135^\circ$   $\sigma_{x'} = 20.0, \tau_{x'y'} = 30.0$  (CW)

