

# Foam instead of Honeycomb ?

**Nowadays, for structural parts of high stiffness, honeycombs are used.**

**With the new Rohacell Hero a PMI structural foam of an increased tensile fracture strain is available which may replace the expensive honeycombs.**

**In order to apply this material in structural parts Structural Integrity must be proven.**

**This requires reliable multi-axial strength test data as well as reliable Strength Failure Conditions SFCs (criteria) for an optimal Design Development process.**

*Such a foam-describing SFC shall be now validated by test data of similar behaving foam material [courtesy DKI –LBF, Dr. Kolupaev]*

# CONSTRAINTS in Design Development Process : *Cost and Time Reduction*

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**Industry looks for robust & reliable analysis procedures in order to replace the expensive ‘Make and Test Method’ as far as reasonable.**

***Virtual tests shall reduce the amount of physical tests.***

In this context:

**Structural Design Development  
can be only effective and offer fidelity  
if**

**realistic analysis tools and test data input are available  
for Design Dimensioning and for Manufacturing as well.**

*Outline of my talk*  


The presentation plus further literature may be downloaded from <http://www.carbon-composites.eu/leistungsspektrum/fachinformationen/fachinformation-2>

# Fracture Failure Surface of the Foam *Rohacell 71 G*

derived on basis of the author's Failure-Mode-Concept

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Results of a time-consuming, never funded „hobby“ of an engineer, retired from industry

## Situation of the poor Designer:

*Is there any Strength Failure Condition (“criterion“)*

*I can apply ?*



*„No. There does not yet exist a validated SFC for isotropic foam material“ !*

*Let's do something  
to fill the gap!*

# Some well-known Developers which formulated isotropic **3D** Strength Failure Conditions (SFCs)

Hencky-  
Mises-  
Huber



Richard von Mises  
1883-1953  
*Mathematician*



Eugenio Beltrami  
1835-1900  
*Mathematician*



Otto Mohr  
1835-1918  
*Civil Engineer*



Charles de Coulomb  
1736-1806  
*Physician*

**‘Onset of Yielding’**

**‘Onset of Cracking’** = foam failure

Hence again, a *civil engineer* may proceed



# What was the Motivation for my non-funded Investigations ?

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**Existing Links in the Mechanical Strength Behaviour show up:**

*Different structural materials*

- *can possess similar material behaviour or*
- *can belong to the same class of material symmetry (see later slide)*

**Welcomed Consequence:**

- **The same strength failure function  $F$  can be used for different materials**
- **More information is available for pre-dimensioning + modelling**

**in the case of a newly applied material**

*from experimental results of a similarly behaving material.*

*Example:*

*This was a porous concrete, where a multi-axial test data set was available.*

*Author's experience with structural material applications, range 4 K - 2000 K .*

# What was the driving idea behind ?

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**A possibility might exist**

**for brittle behaving materials**

**to *more generally* formulate for fracture failure strength failure conditions (SFCs) :**

**- failure mode-wise** (*shear yielding failure, etc.*)

**- stress invariant-based** ( $J_2$  etc.)

**- obtaining equivalent stresses .**

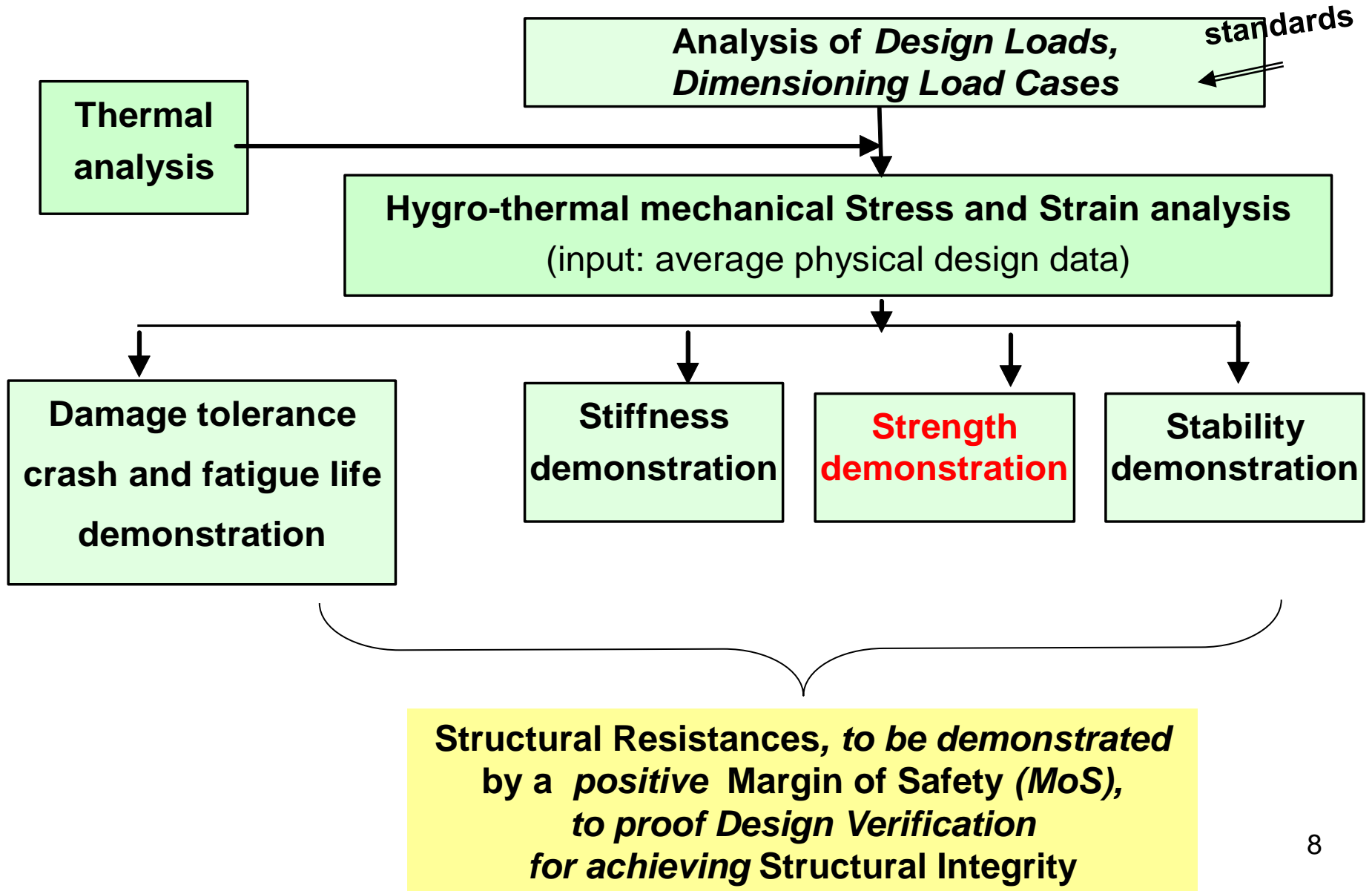
*analogously to :*

**Mises, Hashin, Puck etc.**

**Mises, Tsai, Hashin, Christensen, etc.**

**Mises for yielding, Rankine for fracture**

# Which Design Verifications are mandatory in Structural Design ?





# There are two essential tasks the engineer must tackle?

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**(1) Test Data Mapping and (2) Design Verification :**

- **Validation of SFCs with Failure Test Data** by  
mapping their course by an **average** Failure Curve (surface)
- **Finally the Delivery of a reliable Design Verification** by  
calculation of a Margin of Safety or a (load) Reserve Factor  
$$MoS > 0 \quad \text{oder} \quad RF = MoS + 1 > 1$$
  
on basis of a **statistically reduced** Failure Curve (surface) .

# Design Verification = Achievement of a Reserve against a Limit State

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For each distinct Load Case with its single Failure Modes must be computed:

**Reserve Factor** (is load-defined) :  $RF = \text{Failure Load} / \text{applied Design Load}$

**Material Reserve Factor** :  $f_{Res} = \text{Strength} / \text{Applied Stress}$

if linear situation:  $f_{Res} = RF = 1 / Eff$

**Material Stressing Effort** :  $Eff = 100\%$  if  $RF = 1$  (Anstrengung)  
(Werkstoff-Anstrengung)

## Which property value is mandatory as Input in Structural Analysis ?

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- The best prediction of the typical behaviour of the structure is performed with typical values = average values
- In the design verification – *dependent on the requirements* - the average, the upper or the lower value of the property is used.

*Keep in mind:*

*Be similarly certain/reliable in the design with applied equations, properties, etc. !!*

# What do the following terms mean ??

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**Material** : homogenized (macro-)model of the envisaged solid

**Failure** : structural part does not fulfil its functional requirements such as onset of yielding, brittle fracture, FF, IFF, leakage, deformation limit, delamination size limit, frequency bound

= project-fixed **Limit State** of a failure

**Failure Theory** : tool to predict failure of a structural part

**Strength Failure Condition (SFC)** : subset of a failure theory  
to assess a 'multi-axial failure stress state '  
in a critical location of the structural part

= mathematical formulation of the failure surface (body).

**Global SFC** : describes the full failure surface by one single equation capturing all existing failure modes

**Modal SFC** : describes parts of the full failure surface by associate equations.

# Static Verification Levels

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- \* **Stress** at a local material 'point':  
verification by a **basic strength** or a **multi-axial failure stress state**  
***Local stresses are acting and used in the Strength Criteria models***
- \* **Stress concentration** at a notch (stress peak at a joint):  
verification by a *notch strength (usually Neuber-like, Nuismer, etc..)*  
*'Far'-field stresses are acting, not directly used in the notch strength analysis*
- \* **Stress intensity** (at tip of delamination crack):  
verification by a *fracture toughness (energy –related)*.  
*Applied stresses are used as 'far'-field stresses.*

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# Global versus Modal Strength Failure Conditions (SFCs)

**1 Global strength failure condition** :  $F(\{\sigma\}, \{R\}) = 1$  (usual formulation)

**Set of Modal strength failure conditions**:  $F(\{\sigma\}, R^{mode}) = 1$  (addressed in FMC)

**Example: UD**

vector of 6 stresses (general)

$$\{\sigma\} = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \tau_{23}, \tau_{31}, \tau_{21})^T$$

vector of 5 strengths

$$\{R\} = (R_{\parallel}^t, R_{\parallel}^c, R_{\perp}^t, R_{\perp}^c, R_{\perp\parallel})^T$$

**needs an Interaction of Failure Modes:** performed by a  
*probabilistic-based 'rounding-off' approach (series failure system model)*  
*directly delivering the (material) reserve factor in linear analysis*

Experience with Failure Prediction:

A Strength Failure Condition (SFC) is a necessary but not a sufficient condition to predict Strength Failure (i.e. thin-layer problem).

# Facts of so-called Global SFCs

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## Global SFCs (one failure surface)

- Combine all failure modes in one single mathematical equation. This might even capture a
  - 2-fold acting failure mode (e.g. if  $\sigma_I = \sigma_{II}$ ) or
  - 2-fold acting failure mode under hydrostatic loading ( $p_{hyd} = \sigma_I = \sigma_{II} = \sigma_{III}$ )
- Re-calculation of all model parameters in the case of test data change in a distinct domain.
- A change in one failure domain deforms the failure surface in all other – physically independent – failure domains. There is a big chance, that a Reserve Factor – to be determined for a stress state in an independent domain - might not be on the conservative side
- Often global SFCs just use basic strengths as model parameters. This is physically not permitted because Mohr-Coulomb acts in the case of brittle behaving materials

Zeigt Unterschied noch nicht gut genug. Lode angle J3

**Joint failure probability**



## Modal (multi-surface) SFCs:

- **Describe one single failure mode in one single mathematical formulation** (part of failure surface).
  - **determine all model parameters in the respective failure mode**
  - **capture a twofold acting failure mode** (e.g. if  $\sigma_I = \sigma_{II}$  (isotropic) or if  $\sigma_2 = \sigma_3$  (transversely-isotropic UD material) separately, modal-wise by one additional Ansatz ( $J_3$ ))
  - **capture a threefold acting failure mode under hydrostatic loading alike**
- **Re-calculation of the model parameters just in the modal domain if a test data is to be replaced. One Reserve Factor must be freshly determined.**

## In short: Main Critics regarding Global SFCs

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*Globale Festigkeitsbedingungen zwangsverbinden, wie z. B. bei Drucker-Prager (isotrop), Tsai-Wu (transversal-isotrop, UD)*

**die einzelnen Modi in einer Formel,**

**was generell nachteilig ist und sogar zu Ergebnissen auf der unsicheren Festigkeits-Seite führen kann,**

**weil eine Änderung in einem Modusbereich (z. B. Zugbruch), der durch die Formel insgesamt (global) beschriebenen Bruchversagensoberfläche, zwangsläufig Änderungen in unabhängigem anderen Modusbereich nach sich zieht.**

**Dies ist physikalisch nicht korrekt!**

*A modal concept*

*– as found with i.e. Cuntze (general) and Puck (UD) –*

*builds up the Fracture Failure Surface mode-wise*

# Material Symmetry Requirements Aspects *(helpful, when generating SFCs)*

- 1 If a material element can be homogenized to an ideal (= frictionless) crystal, then, **material symmetry** demands for the transversely-isotropic UD-material
  - 5 elastic 'constants', 5 strengths, 5 fracture toughnesses and
  - 2 physical parameters (such as CTE, CME, material friction, etc.)

*(for isotropic materials the respective numbers are 2 and 1)*
- 2 **Mohr-Coulomb** requires for the real crystal another inherent parameter,
  - the physical parameter '**material friction**': UD  $\mu_{\perp\parallel}$ ,  $\mu_{\perp\perp}$ , Isotropic  $\mu$
- 3 **Fracture morphology** witnesses:
  - Each strength corresponds to a distinct *failure mode*

and to a *fracture type* as Normal Fracture (NF) or Shear Fracture (SF).



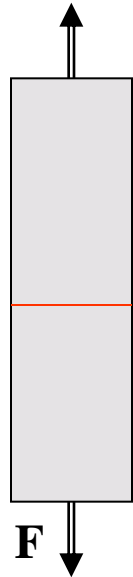
Above Facts and Knowledge gave reason

why the FMC strictly employs single independent failure modes  
by its failure mode-wise concept.

# Observed Failure Modes of Brittle behaving porous Isotropic Material

**Normal Fracture (NF)** (Spaltbruch, Trennbruch) :

- volumetric change before fracture



$R_m^t$

**Tension**

**Failure Mode NF**

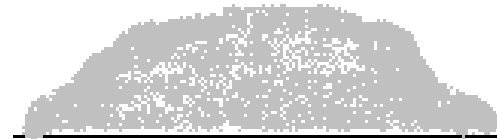
**Crushing Fracture (CrF): SF**

- volumetric change before fracture

*helpful knowledge for the choice of invariants*

result of the compression test

= *hill of fragments (crumbs)*



= decomposition of texture

**Failure Mode CrF**

**Compression**



$R_m^c$

*... needs interaction*

**Observed:** ► Each single Failure Mode is governed by one single strength !!

# Interaction of Single Strength Failure Modes in the modal FMC

Interaction of adjacent Failure Modes by a *series failure system model*

= 'Accumulation' of interacting *failure danger portions*  $Eff^{mode}$

$$Eff = \sqrt[m]{(Eff^{mode\ 1})^m + (Eff^{mode\ 2})^m + \dots} = 1 = 100\%, \text{ if failure}$$

with mode-interaction exponent  $m$ , from *mapping experience*

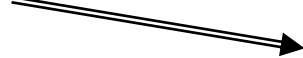
as modal **material stressing effort** \* (in German Werkstoffanstrengung)

and

$$Eff^{mode} = \sigma_{eq}^{mode} / \bar{R}^{mode}$$

**equivalent mode stress**

**mode associated average strength**

later   
In the example

\* **material stressing effort** = artificial technical term created together with QinetiQ, UK

# Physically-based Choice of Invariants when generating invariant-based Strength Failure Conditions

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- \* **Beltrami** : “At ‘Onset of Yielding’ the material possesses a distinct *strain energy* composed of *dilatational energy* ( $I_1^2$ ) and *distortional energy* ( $J_2 \equiv \text{Mises}$ )”.
- \* So, from **Beltrami**, Mises (HMH), and Mohr / Coulomb (friction) can be concluded:

Each invariant term in the *failure function*  $F$  may be dedicated to one **physical mechanism** in the solid = cubic material element:

- **volume change** :  $I_1^2$  ... (*dilatational energy*) **relevant for a very**
- **shape change** :  $J_2$  (Mises) ... (*distortional energy*) **brittle behaving foam**
- and - **friction** :  $I_1$  ... (*friction energy*)



Mohr-Coulomb

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## Driver for my research work on Strength Failure Conditions (criteria)

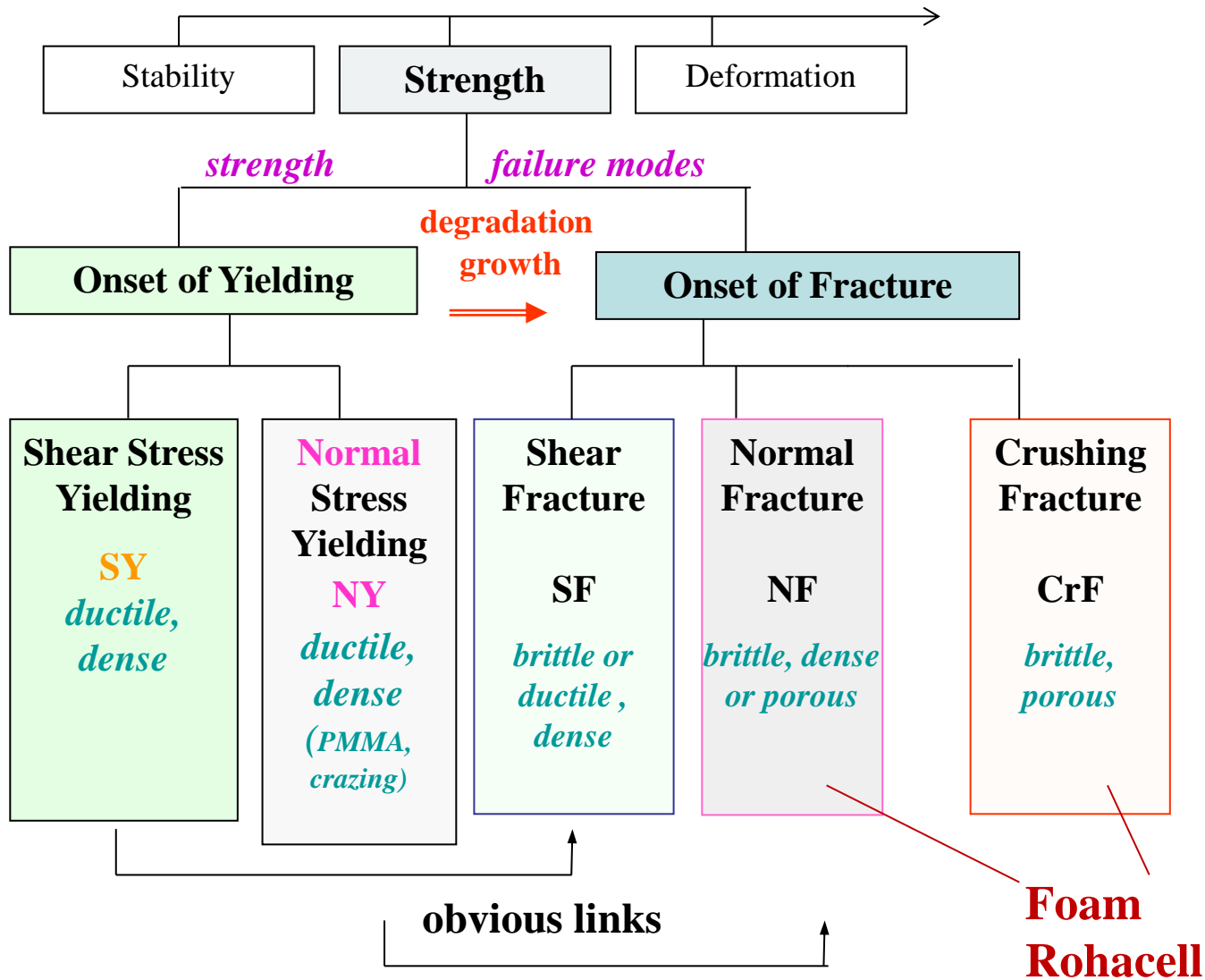
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is the achievement of suitable SFCs under some *pre-requisites* :

- *physically convincing* (need minimum test information)
- *numerically robust, unique solutions*
- *simple, as much as possible*
- *invariant-based* (like the Mises yield condition)
- *allow to compute an equivalent stress* (very helpful for failure mode-based design screw turning)
- *rigorous independent treatment of each single failure mode NF, SF, CrF*
- *using a material behaviour-linked thinking and not a material-linked one*
- *engineering approach where all model parameters can be measured*
- *shall allow for a simple determination of the reserve factor RF.*



# Scheme of Strength Failures Types for *isotropic materials*



The growing yield body (SY or NY) is confined by the fracture surface (SF or NF)!

# Material Homogenizing (smearing) + Modelling

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**Material symmetry shows:**

*Number of strengths  $\equiv$  number of elasticity properties !*

**Application of material symmetry knowledge:**

- *Requires that homogeneity is a valid assessment for the task-determined model ,  
but, if applicable*
- *A minimum number of properties has to be measured, only (cost + time benefits) !*

# Basic Features of the author's Failure-Mode-Concept (FMC)

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- Each failure mode represents 1 independent failure mechanism and thereby 1 piece of the complete *failure surface*
- Each failure mechanism is governed by 1 basic strength (is observed !)
- Each failure *mode* can be represented by 1 failure *condition*.

Therefore, *equivalent stresses* can be computed for each *mode* !!

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- In consequence, this separation requires :

*An interaction of the Modal Failure Modes !*

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# Formulation of Failure-Mode-Concept (FMC)-based Modal SFCs

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## Use of :

- **Invariants**
- **Hypotheses of**
  - Beltrami** = dedication of invariants to the deformation of the material element, whether it is a shape change (Mises) or a volume change and
  - Mohr-Coulomb** = internal friction of a brittle behaving solid material
- **Application of the Requirements of Material Symmetry** = for isotropic brittle behaving materials the characteristic number of quantities is 2 ( 2 strengths, 2 strength fracture failure modes, 2 basic invariants)
- advantageous **equivalent stresses**  $\sigma_{eq}$  and of the physically plausible **material stressing effort** (Werkstoffanstrengung)  $Eff$



## NOTE:

The characteristic number of quantities for the transversely-isotropic unidirectional material UD is 5

# Driver for my research work on Strength Failure Conditions (criteria)

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Achievement of practical, physically-based criteria under some *pre-requisites* :

- *physically convincing*
- *simple, as much as possible*
- *invariant-based (like the Mises yield condition)*
- *allow to compute an equivalent stress (very helpful for a distinct failure mode)*
- *rigorous independent treatment of each single failure mode (2 FF + 3 IFF)*
- *using a material behaviour-linked thinking and not a material-linked one*
- *engineering approach where all model parameters can be measured.*

## Note on UD strength failure conditions:

Puck's action plane approach involves some basic differences to Cuntze's Failure-mode-concept-based approach:

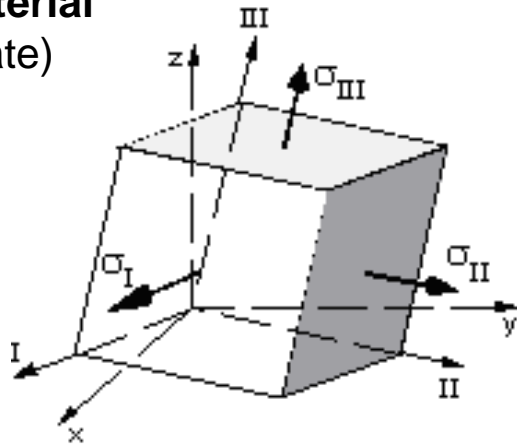
(1) is not invariant-based, (2) interacts the 3 Inter-Fiber-Failure modes (IFF) by a Mohr-Coulomb-based equation, (3) post-corrects the IFF- influence on FF.

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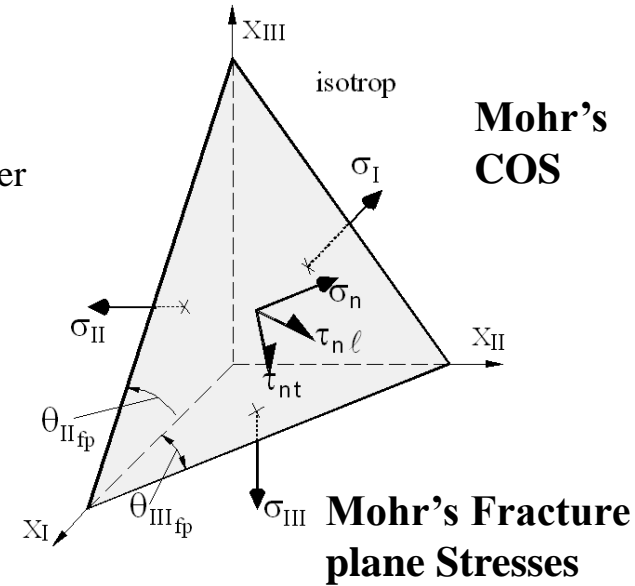
Cuntze provides for each failure mode an equivalent stress, that captures the influence of IFF on FF by his interaction equation, uses less model parameters.

# Which are the Stresses & Invariants to be used?

**Isotropic Material**  
(3D stress state)



The stress states in the various COS can be transferred into each other



**Principal Stresses**

$$\{\sigma\}_{principal} = (\sigma_I, \sigma_{II}, \sigma_{III})^T$$

**Structural Component Stresses**

$$\{\sigma\}_{comp} = (\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z, \tau_{yz}, \tau_{zx}, \tau_{xy})^T$$

$$\{\sigma\}_{Mohr} = (\sigma_\ell, \sigma_n, \sigma_t, \tau_{nt}, \tau_{t\ell}, \tau_{\ell n})^T$$

$$I_1 = (\sigma_I + \sigma_{II} + \sigma_{III})^T = 3\sigma_{oct} \equiv f(\sigma),$$

**'isotropic' invariants !**

$$I_1 = (\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z)^T$$

$$I_1 = (\sigma_\ell + \sigma_n + \sigma_t)^T$$

$$6J_2 = (\sigma_I - \sigma_{II})^2 + (\sigma_{II} - \sigma_{III})^2 + (\sigma_{III} - \sigma_I)^2$$

$$= 4(\tau_{III}^2 + \tau_{II}^2 + \tau_I^2) = 9\tau_{oct}^2 \equiv f(\tau)$$

$$6J_2 = (\sigma_y - \sigma_z)^2 + (\sigma_z - \sigma_x)^2 + (\sigma_x - \sigma_y)^2$$

$$+ 6(\tau_{yz}^2 + \tau_{zx}^2 + \tau_{xy}^2) \quad (Mises, HMH)$$

$$6J_2 = (\sigma_n - \sigma_t)^2 + (\sigma_t - \sigma_\ell)^2 + (\sigma_\ell - \sigma_n)^2$$

$$+ 6(\tau_{nt}^2 + \tau_{t\ell}^2 + \tau_{\ell n}^2)$$

$$27J_3 = (2\sigma_I - \sigma_{II} - \sigma_{III})(2\sigma_{II} - \sigma_I - \sigma_{III})(2\sigma_{III} - \sigma_I - \sigma_{II}), \quad I_\sigma = 4J_2 - I_1^2/3, \quad \sigma_{mean} = I_1/3$$

**Invariant** := Combination of stresses –powered or not powered- the value of which does not change when altering the coordinate system.

# Cuntzes 3D Strength Failure Conditions (criteria) for Foams

**Approaches:**  $\frac{\sqrt{4J_2 - I_1^2/3} + I_1}{2 \cdot \bar{R}_t} = 1$   $\frac{\sqrt{4J_2 - I_1^2/3} - I_1}{2 \cdot \bar{R}_t} = 1$

**Considering bi-axial strength** (failure mode occurs twice): in Effs now

$$Eff^{NF} = c_{NF} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{4J_2 - I_1^2 \cdot (\Theta_{NF})/3} + I_1}{2 \cdot \bar{R}_t} \quad Eff^{CrF} = c_{CrF} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{4J_2 - I_1^2 \cdot (\Theta_{CrF})/3} - I_1}{2 \cdot \bar{R}_t}$$

**Two-fold failure danger can be excellently modelled by using the often used invariant  $J_3$**

$$\Theta_{NF} = \sqrt[3]{1 + D_{NF} \cdot \sin(3\theta)} = \sqrt[3]{1 + D_{NF} \cdot 1.5 \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot J_3 \cdot J_2^{-1.5}} \quad \Theta_{CrF} = \sqrt[3]{1 + D_{CrF} \cdot \sin(3\theta)} = \sqrt[3]{1 + D_{CrF} \cdot 1.5 \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot J_3 \cdot J_2^{-1.5}}$$

**Mode interaction:**  $Eff^{NF} = [(Eff^{NF})^m + (Eff^{CrF})^m]^{m^{-1}}$

**The failure surface is closed at both the ends:** A simple cone serves as closing cap and bottom

$$\frac{I_1}{\sqrt{3} \cdot R_t} = s_{NF} \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{2J_2 \cdot \Theta_{NF}}}{R_t} \right) + \frac{\max I_1}{\sqrt{3} \cdot R_t} \quad \frac{I_1}{\sqrt{3} \cdot R_t} = s_{CrF} \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{2J_2 \cdot \Theta_{CrF}}}{R_t} \right) + \frac{\min I_1}{\sqrt{3} \cdot R_t}$$

The slope parameters  $s$  are determined connecting the respective hydrostatic strength point with the associated point on the shear meridian,  $\max I_1$  must be assessed whereas  $\min I_1$  could be measured.

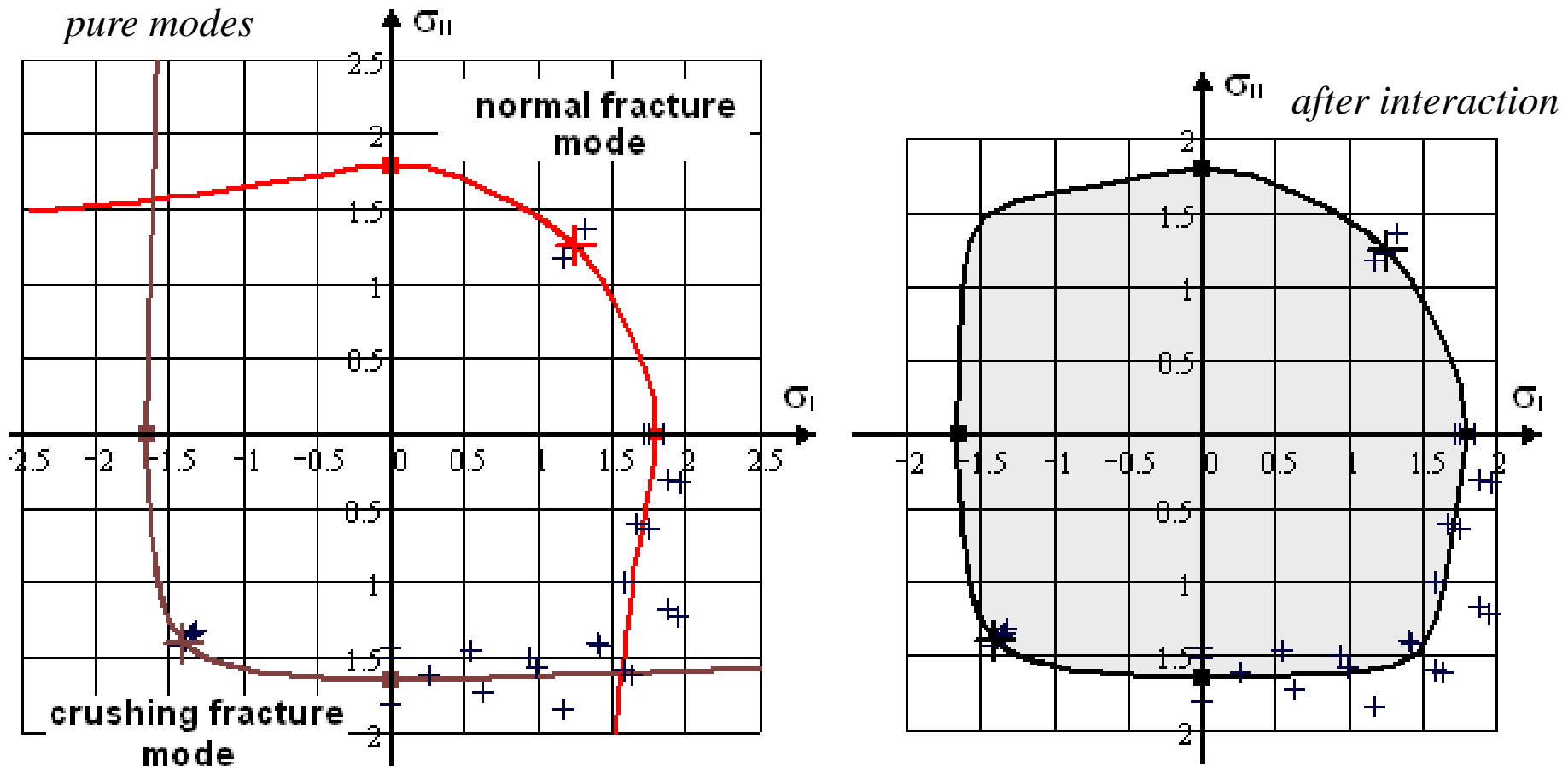


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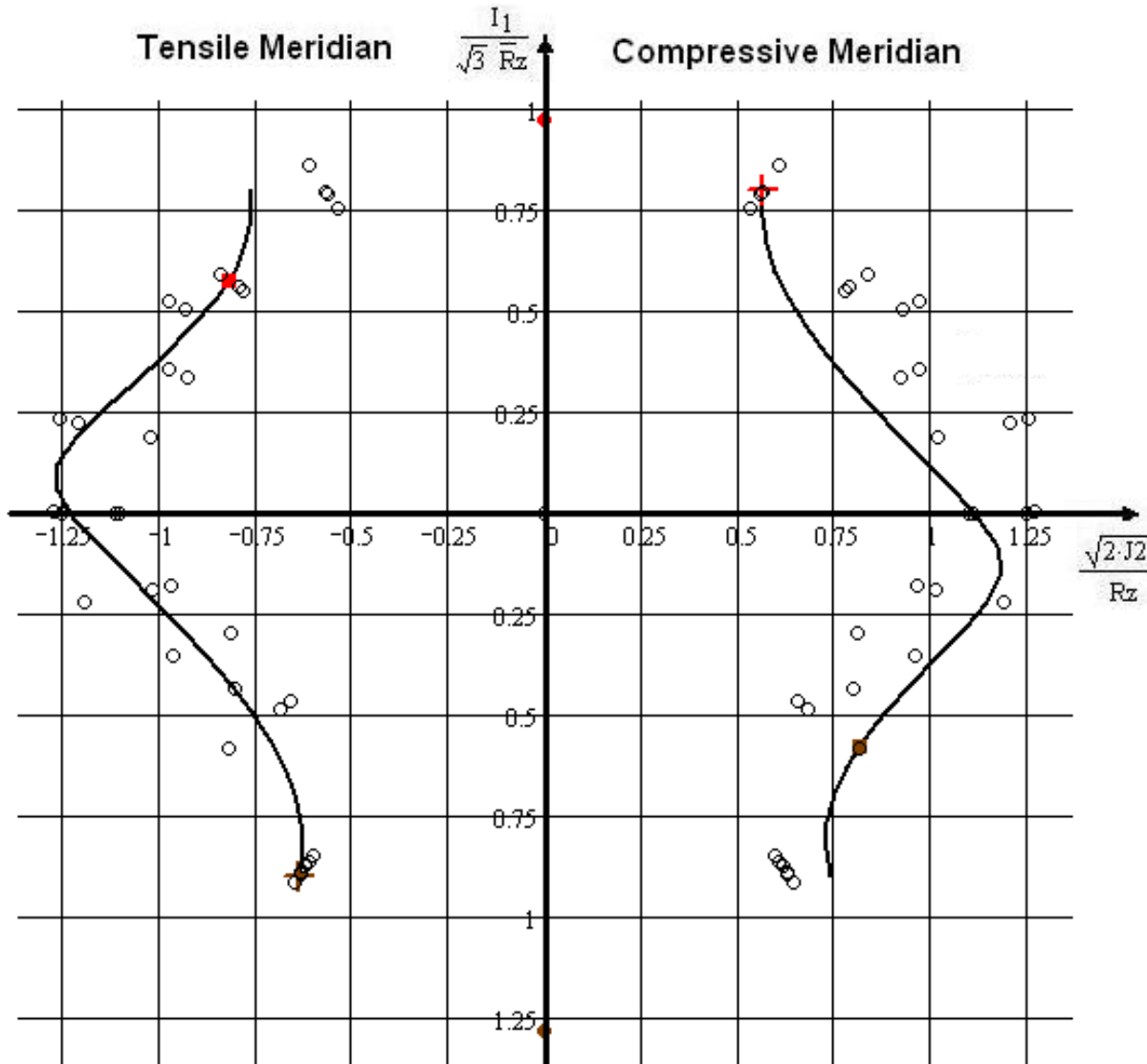
### Principal Plane Cross-section of the Fracture Body (*oblique cut*)



- Mapping must be performed in the 2D-plane because fracture data set is given there
- The 2D-mapping uses the 2D-subsolution of the 3D-strength failure conditions
- The 3D-fracture failure surface (body) is based on the 2D-derived model parameters.

# Generic Lines of Tensile and of Compressive Meridian (*brittle, porous*)

*Rohacell 71 IG*



**Meridional cross-section of the Fracture Body**

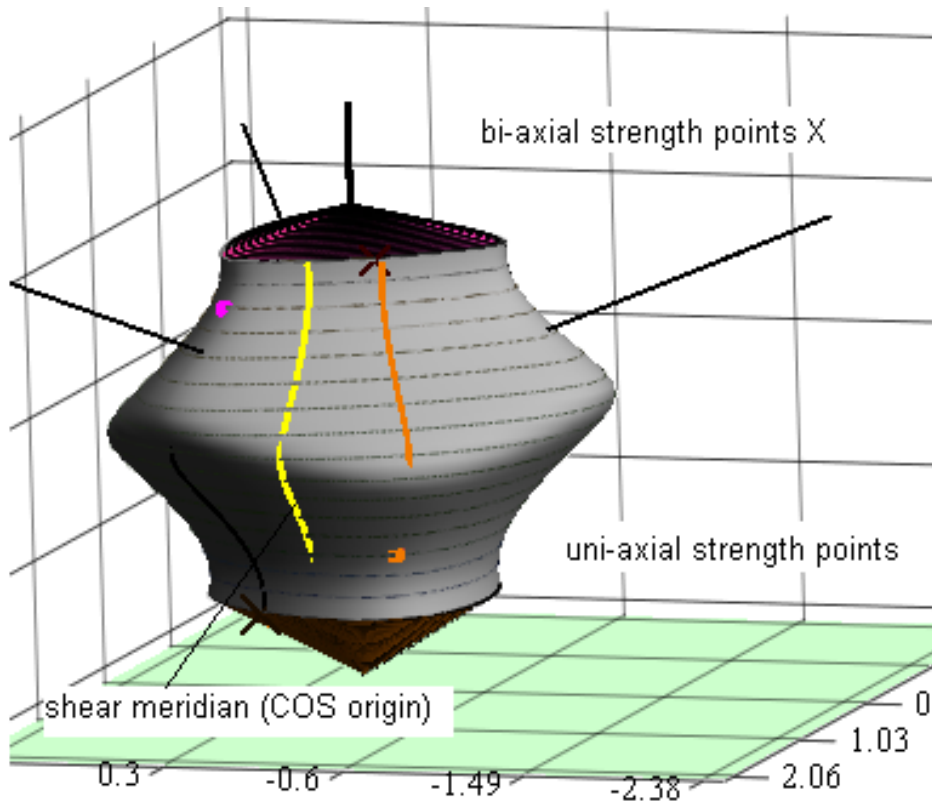
in Lode-Haigh-Westergaard coordinates

bi-axial = +

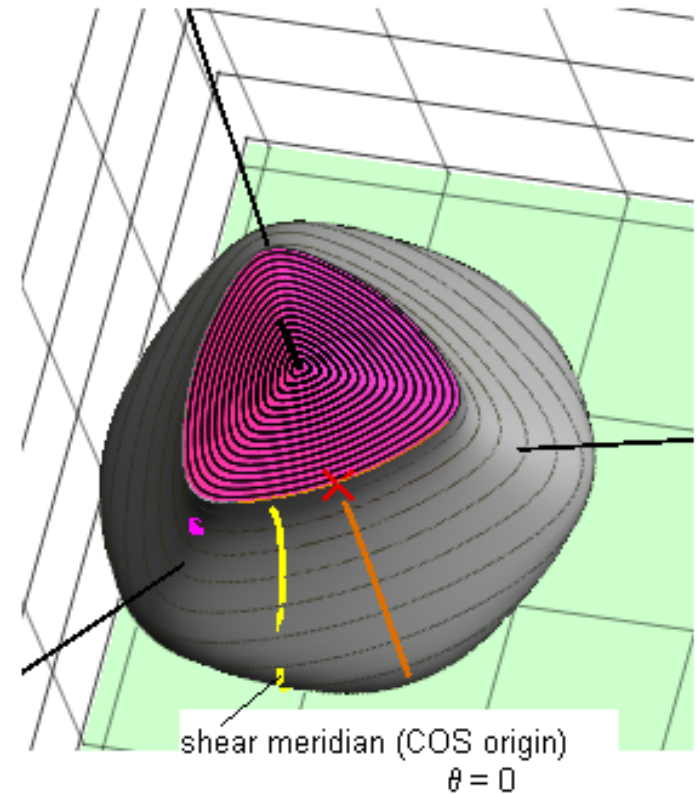
consideration of a 'twofold mode' by above well-known approach

The fracture test data are located at a distinct Lode angle of its associated ring  $\sigma$ ,  $120^\circ$ -symmetry of the isotropic failure surface (body).

Cap and bottom are closed by a cone-ansatz, a shape being on the conservative side.

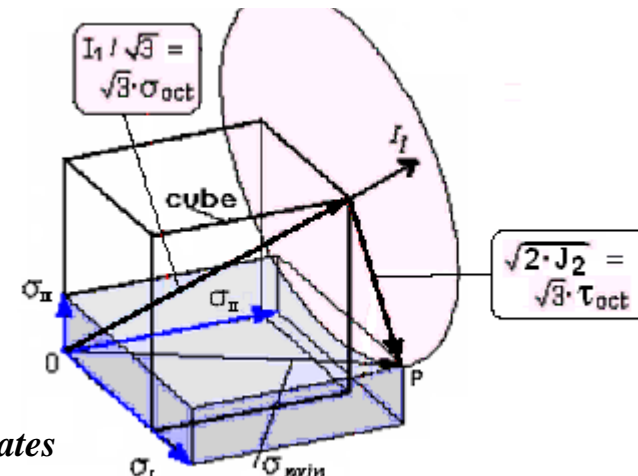


compressive meridian with tensile meridian form one cross-section shape



The 3D-strength failure condition enables to predict the 120°-symmetric failure body and to judge a 3D- stress state

visualization of the Lode-Haigh-Westergaard coordinates

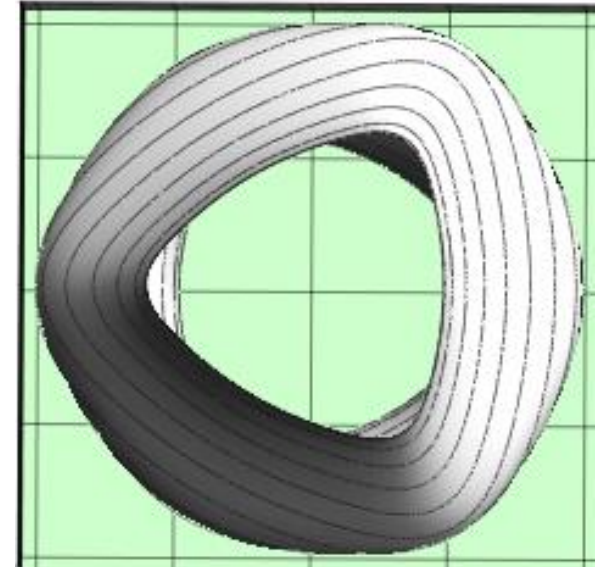
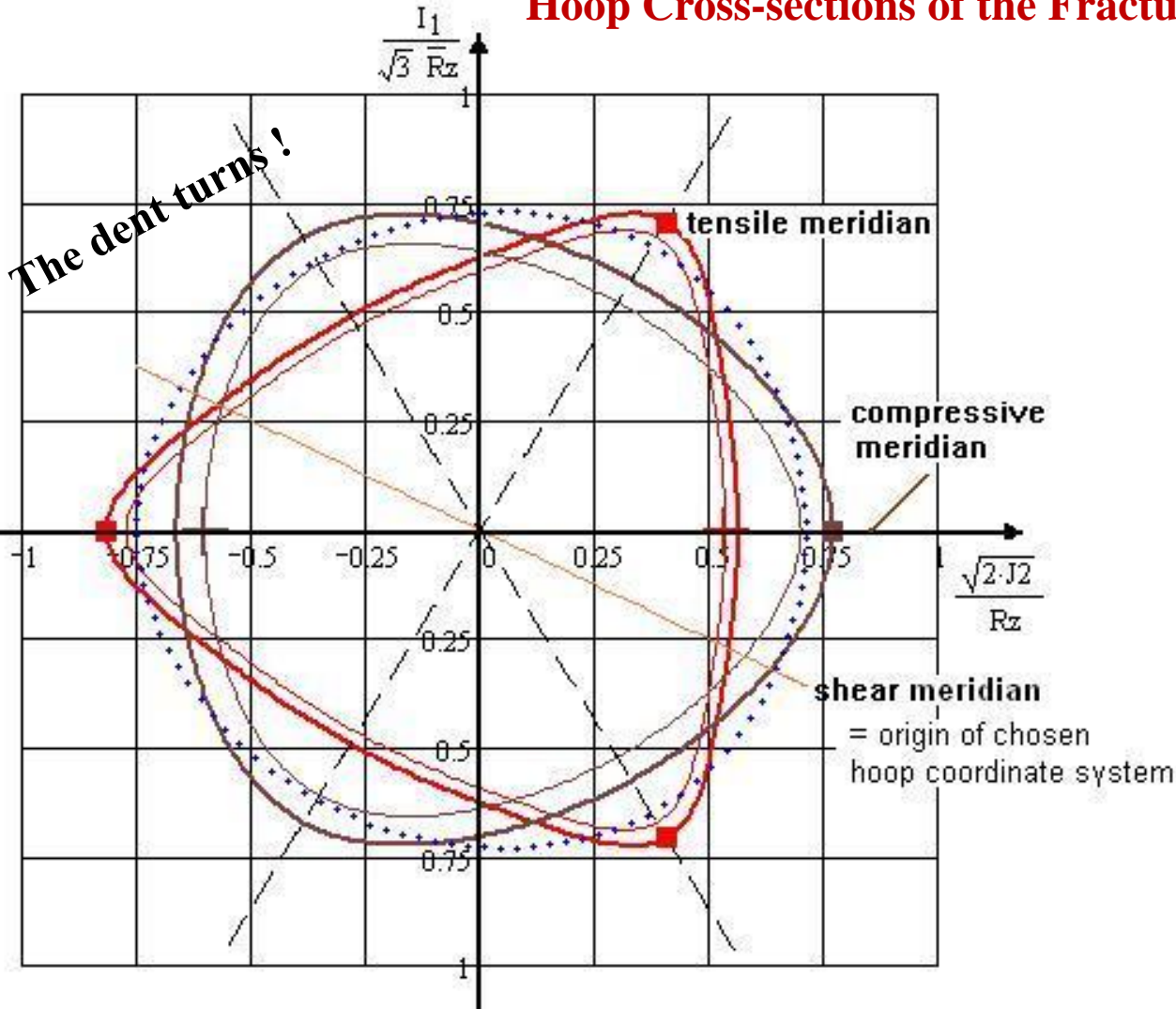


# 2D Test Data and Mapping in the Orthogonal Stress Plane (brittle, porous)

## Hoop Cross-sections of the Fracture Body

Rohacell 71 IG

z = tensile, d = compressive



Caps: No test data, cone chosen

Lode-angle, here set as  $\sin(3\theta)$  : +  
 shear meridian angle =  $0^\circ$   
 tensile meridian  $+30^\circ$   
 compressive meridian  $-30^\circ$

with characteristic uni-axial and bi-axial strength points

+

crushing  $I_1 = 0$ , interaction domain: Is about a circle.

# Determination of the Load-defined Reserve Factor RF

## Linear elastic problem for this brittle behaving material

Residual stresses = 0

$$RF = f_{Res} \text{ (material reserve factor)} = Eff^{-1}$$

*estimated from given average value*

Stress state:

$$\sigma_I := 0.9 \quad \sigma_{II} := -0.4 \quad \sigma_{III} := 0.5$$

Statistically reduced Strengths:

$$\underline{R_z} := 0.9 \cdot \bar{R}_z \quad \underline{R_d} := 0.85 \cdot \bar{R}_d$$

Shape parameters:

$$D_\sigma = -0.71 \quad D_{cr} = 0.21 \quad c1_{\sigma} = 1.15 \quad c1_{cr} = 1.03$$

$$I1 := \sigma_I + \sigma_{II} + \sigma_{III} \quad J2 := \frac{[(\sigma_I - \sigma_{II})^2 + (\sigma_{II} - \sigma_{III})^2 + (\sigma_{III} - \sigma_I)^2]}{6} \quad J3 := \frac{[(2 \cdot \sigma_I - \sigma_{II} - \sigma_{III}) \cdot (2 \cdot \sigma_{II} - \sigma_I - \sigma_{III}) \cdot (2 \cdot \sigma_{III} - \sigma_I - \sigma_{II})]}{27}$$

$$I1 = 1 \quad J2 = 0.44 \quad J3 = -0.07$$

$$Eff_{\sigma} := c1_{\sigma} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot J2 \cdot \sqrt{1 + D_\sigma \cdot 1.5 \cdot 3^{0.5} \cdot J3 \cdot J2^{-1.5}} - \frac{1}{3} \cdot I1^2 + I1}{2 \cdot R_z}}$$

$$Eff_{cr} := c1_{cr} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot J2 \cdot \sqrt{1 + D_{cr} \cdot (1.5 \cdot 3^{0.5} \cdot J3 \cdot J2^{-1.5})} - \frac{1}{3} \cdot I1^2 - I1}{2 \cdot R_d}}$$

$$Eff := \sqrt[9]{Eff_{\sigma}^{m_{int}} + Eff_{cr}^{m_{int}}}$$

$$Eff = 0.802$$

$$RF := \frac{1}{Eff} \quad RF = 1.25$$

**The loading may be monotonically increased by the factor RF !**

# Conclusions

- The FMC is an efficient concept,
  - that improves prediction + simplifies design verification
  - is applicable to brittle and ductile, dense and porous, isotropic, transversely-isotropic and orthotropic materials
  - if clear failure modes can be identified and the material element homogenized.

**Formulation basis is whether the material element experiences a volume change, a shape change and friction .**

*Builds not on the material but on material behaviour !*
- Delivers a combined formulation of *independent modal failure modes*,
  - without the well-known drawbacks of global SFC formulations
  - (which *mathematically combine in-dependent failure modes*) .
- The FMC-based Failure Conditions are simple but describe physics of each single failure mechanism pretty well.
- **Mapping of the brittle behaving porous foam was successful and with new findings !**

# **Theory is the Quintessence of all Practical Experience**

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