

# Ch.7. Transformation of Stress

Transformation of Plane Stress and Mohr's Circle

# Objectives



Application of stress transformation equations to plane stress situations to determine any stress component at a point.

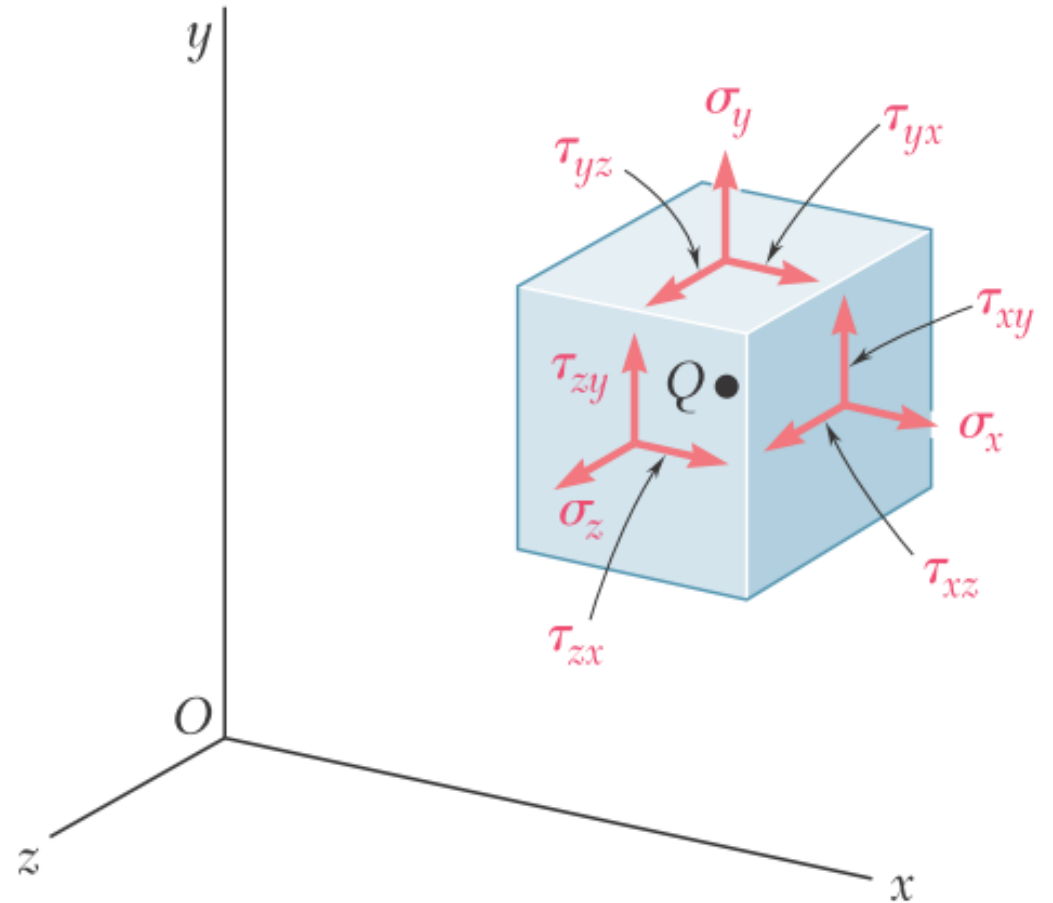


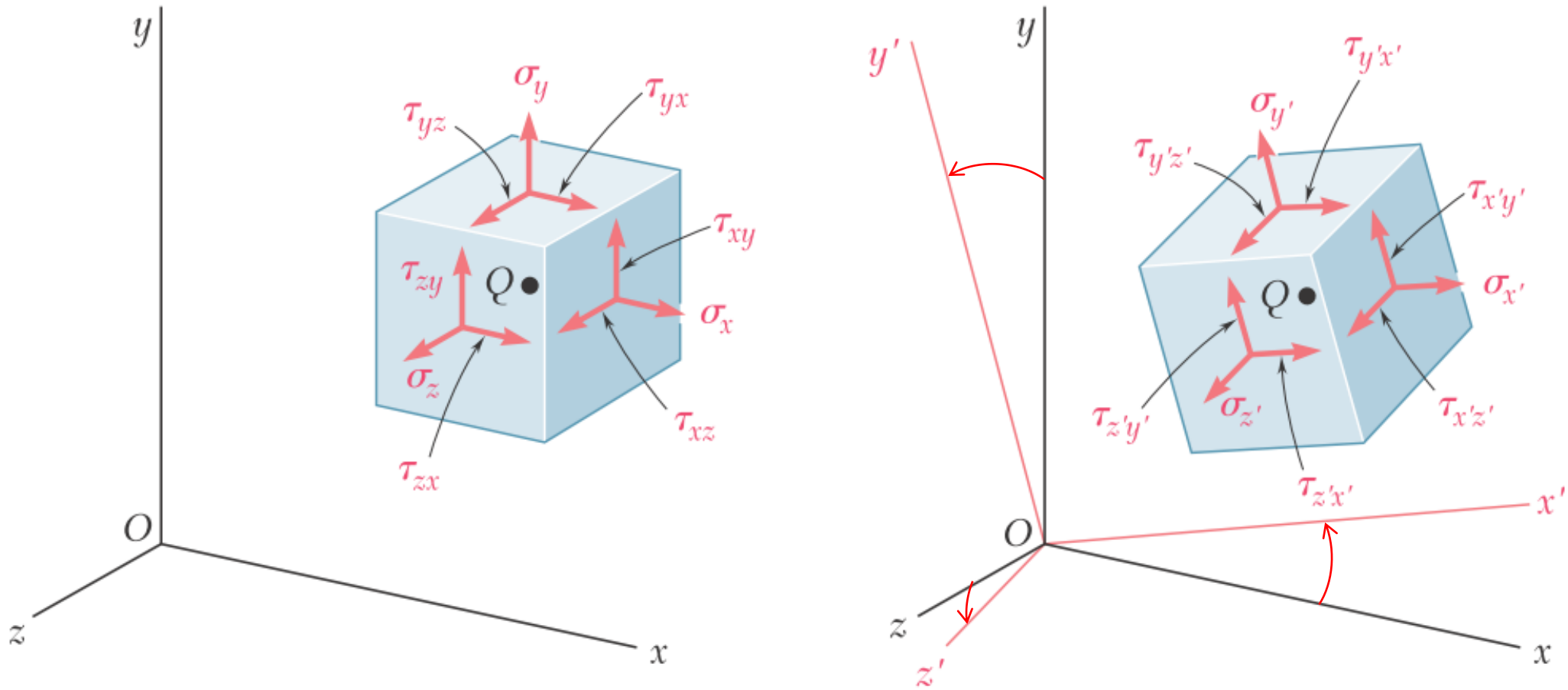
Application of the alternative Mohr's circle approach to perform plane stress transformations.



Usage of transformation techniques to identify key components of stress, such as principal stresses.

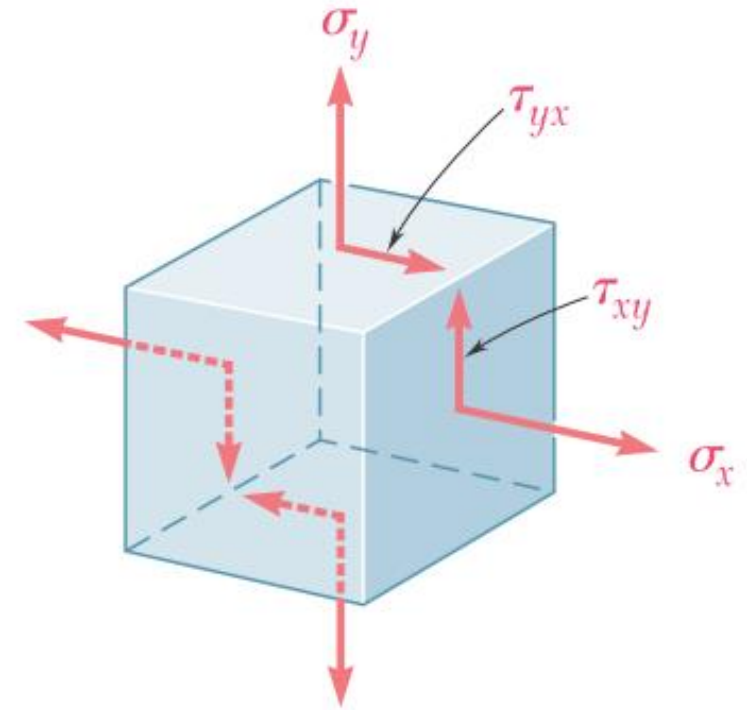
- The most general state of stress at a given point  $Q$  is represented by six components. Three of these components,
  - ✓  $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ , and  $\sigma_z$ , are the normal stresses exerted on the faces of a small cubic element centered at  $Q$  with the same orientation as the coordinate axes.
  - ✓ The other three,  $\tau_{xy}$ ,  $\tau_{yz}$ , and  $\tau_{zx}$ , are the components of the shearing stresses on the same element.





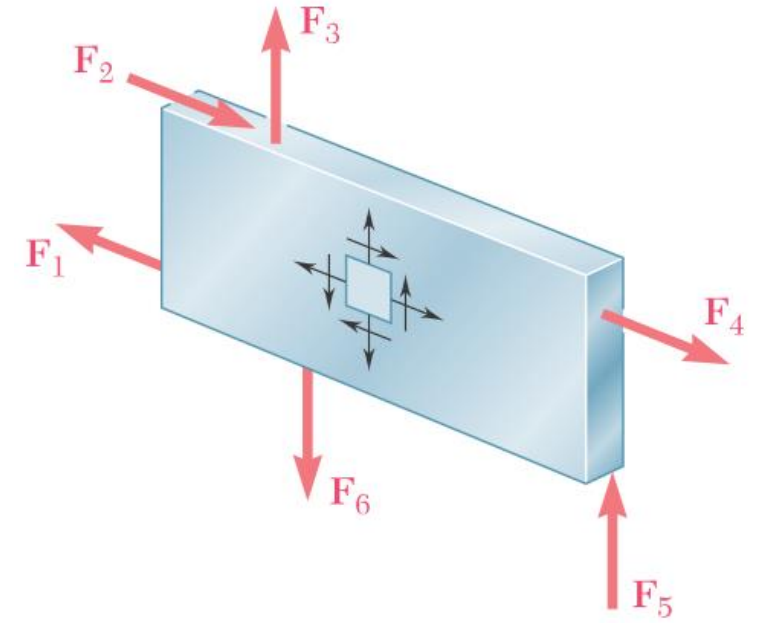
- The same state of stress can be represented by a different set of components if the coordinate axes are rotated

- Our discussion of the transformation of stress will deal mainly with **plane stress**, i.e., with a situation in which two of the faces of the cubic element are free of any stress.
- If the z axis is chosen perpendicular to these faces,  $\sigma_z = \tau_{zx} = \tau_{zy} = \mathbf{0}$ , and the only remaining stress components are  $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ , and  $\tau_{xy}$ .

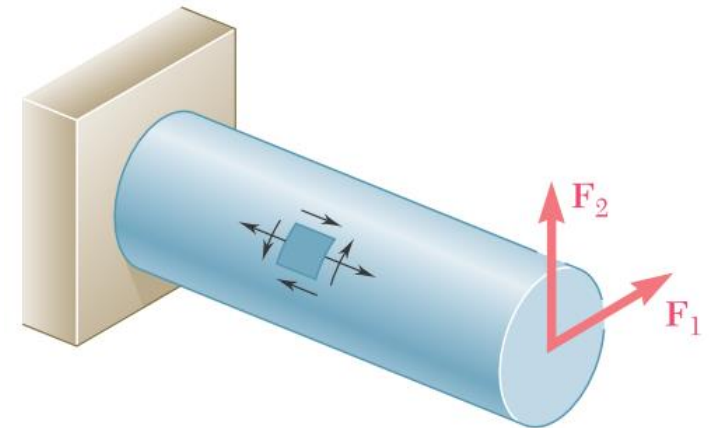


**Plane stress  
representation**

- The *plane-stress* situation occurs in a thin plate subjected to forces acting in the midplane of the plate.



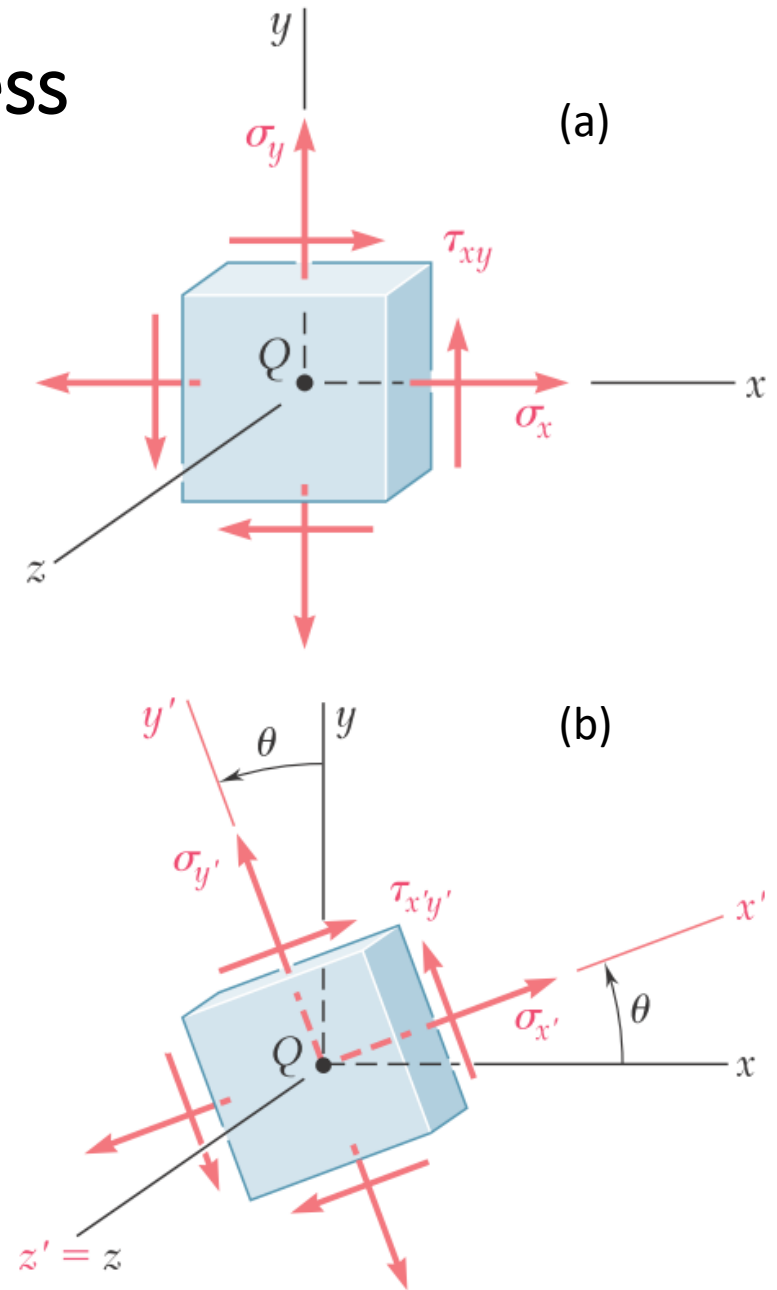
- It also occurs on the free surface of a structural element or machine component where any point of the surface of that element or component is not subjected to an external force.



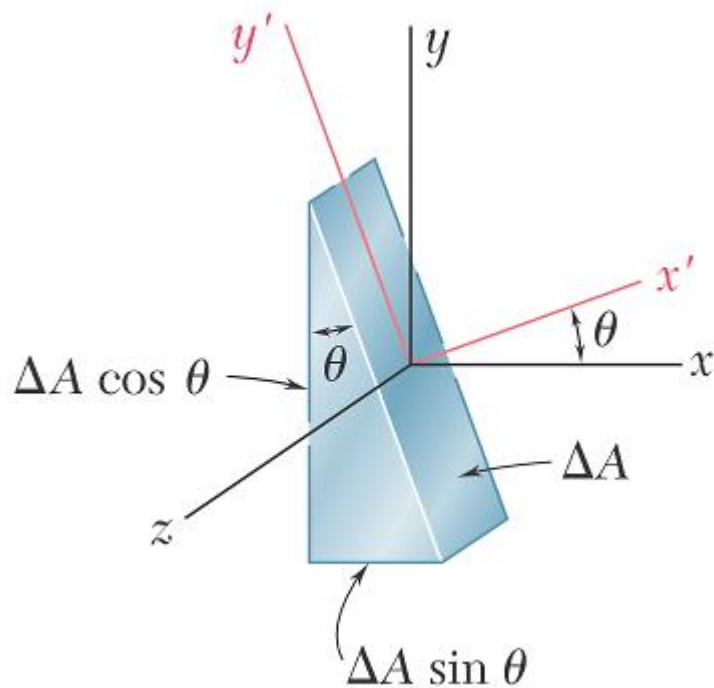
# Transformation of Plane Stress

## Transformation Equations

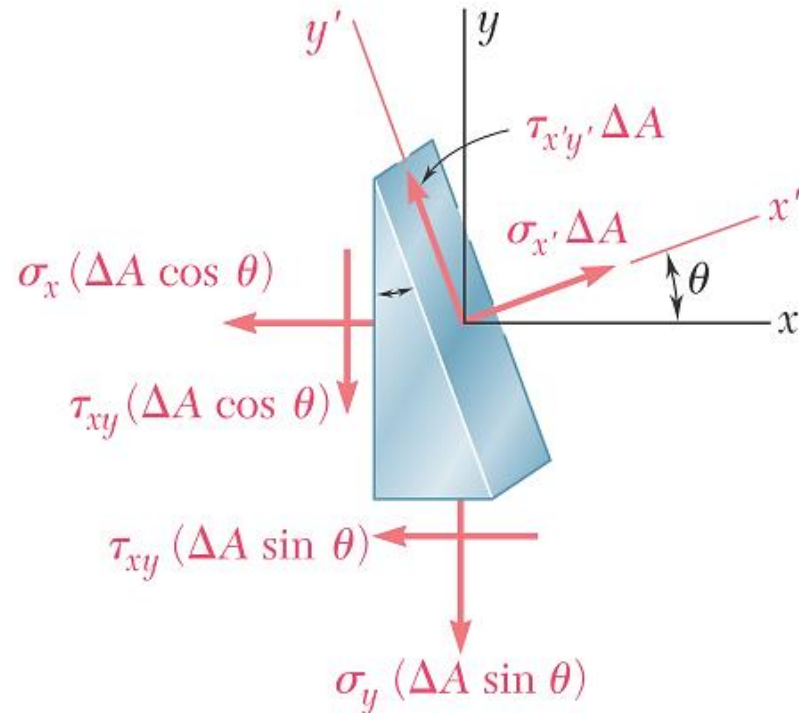
- Assume that a state of plane stress exists at point  $Q$  (with  $\sigma_z = \tau_{zx} = \tau_{zy} = 0$ ) and is defined by the stress components  $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ , and  $\tau_{xy}$  associated with the element shown in Figure a.
- The stress components  $\sigma_{x'}$ ,  $\sigma_{y'}$ , and  $\tau_{x'y'}$  associated with the element are determined after it has been rotated through an angle  $\theta$  about the  $z$  axis. These components are given in terms of  $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ , and  $\theta$  (Figure b).



- In order to determine the normal stress  $\sigma_{x'}$  and shearing stress  $\tau_{x'y'}$  exerted on the face perpendicular to the  $x'$  axis, consider a prismatic element with faces perpendicular to the  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $x'$  axes.

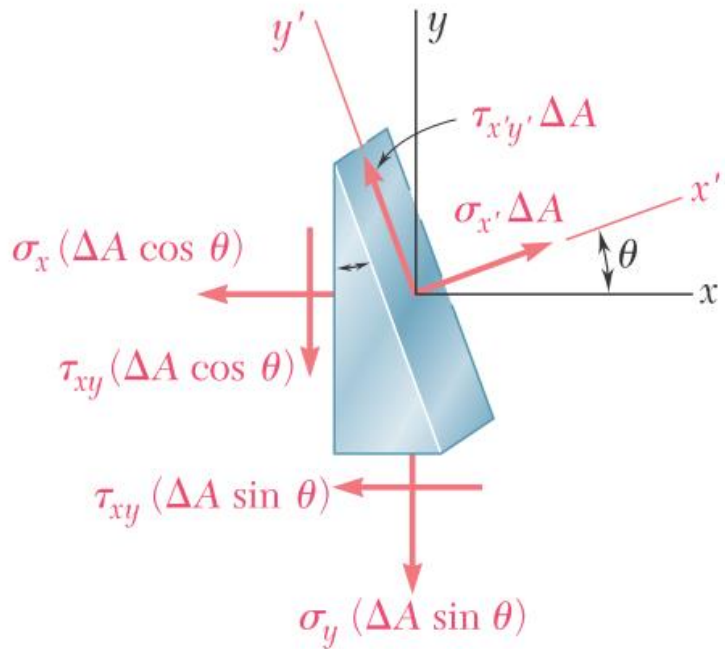


**Geometry of the element**



**Free-body diagram**





- Using components along the  $x'$  and  $y'$  axes, the equilibrium equations are

$$\sum F_{x'} = 0: \sigma_{x'} \Delta A - \sigma_x (\Delta A \cos \theta) \cos \theta - \tau_{xy} (\Delta A \cos \theta) \sin \theta - \sigma_y (\Delta A \sin \theta) \sin \theta - \tau_{xy} (\Delta A \sin \theta) \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\sum F_{y'} = 0: \tau_{x'y'} \Delta A + \sigma_x (\Delta A \cos \theta) \sin \theta - \tau_{xy} (\Delta A \cos \theta) \cos \theta - \sigma_y (\Delta A \sin \theta) \cos \theta + \tau_{xy} (\Delta A \sin \theta) \sin \theta = 0$$

- Solving the first equation for  $\sigma_{x'}$  and the second for  $\tau_{x'y'}$ :

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

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

Since

$$\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$


$$\cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2}$$

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



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

- The normal stress  $\sigma_{y'}$  is obtained by replacing  $\theta$  in  equation by the angle  $\theta + 90^\circ$  that the  $y'$  axis forms with the  $x$  axis. Since  $\cos(2\theta + 180^\circ) = -\cos 2\theta$  and  $\sin(2\theta + 180^\circ) = -\sin 2\theta$ ,

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



- Adding ★ and ★★ equations side by side:

$$\sigma_x + \sigma_y = \sigma_{x'} + \sigma_{y'}$$

- Since  $\sigma_z = \sigma_{z'} = 0$ , we thus verify for plane stress that the sum of the normal stresses exerted on a cubic element of material is independent of the orientation of that element.

# Principal Stresses and Maximum Shearing Stress

- Previous equations are the parametric equations of a circle. This means that, if a set of rectangular axes is used to plot a point  $M$  of abscissa  $\sigma_{x'}$  and ordinate  $\tau_{x'y'}$  for any given parameter  $\theta$ , all of the points obtained will lie on a circle.

- To establish this property, we eliminate  $\theta$  from equations by first transposing  $(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)/2$  in

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

- and squaring both members of the equation, then squaring both members of

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

- and finally adding member to member the two equations obtained above:

$$\left( \sigma_{x'} - \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{x'y'}^2 = \left( \frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2$$

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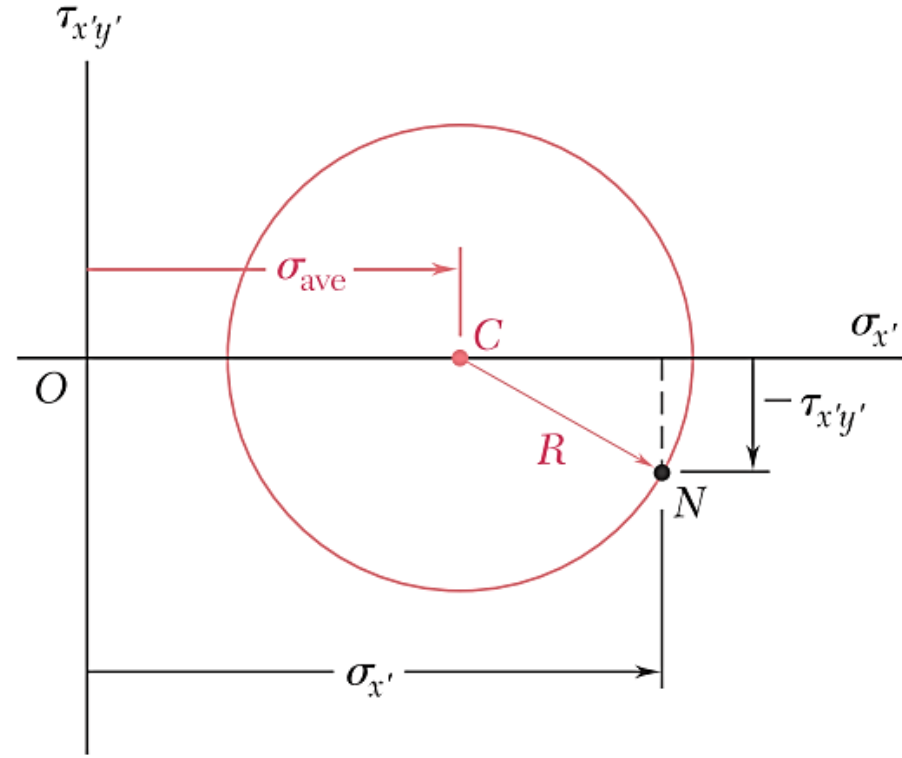
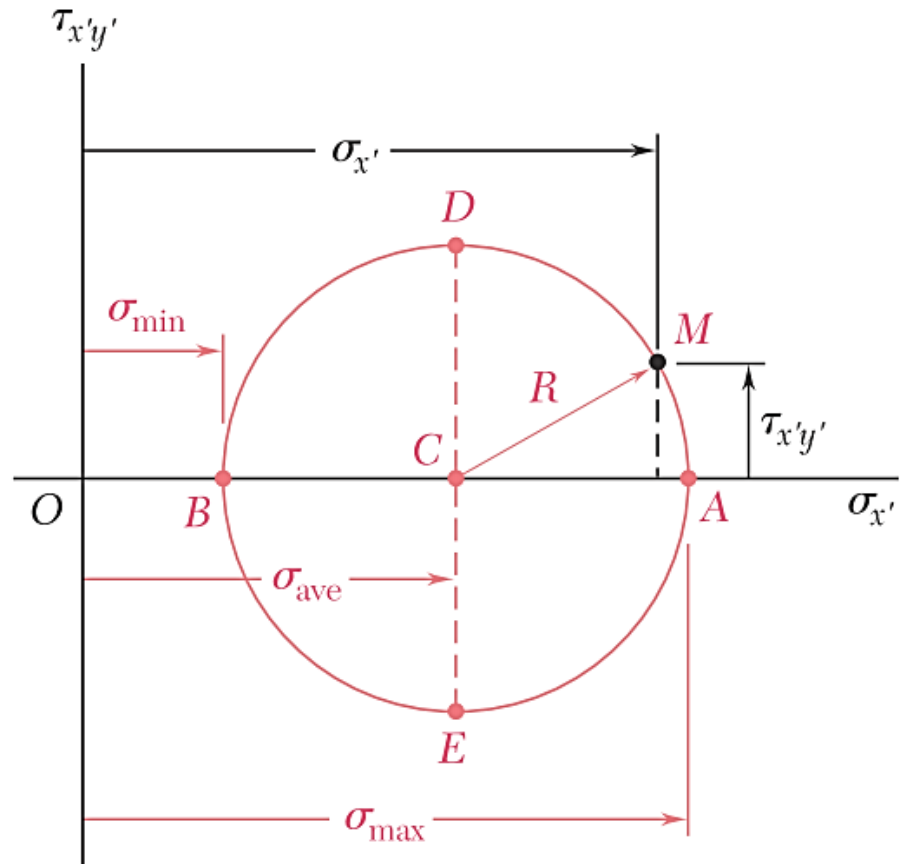
- Setting

$$\sigma_{\text{ave}} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad R = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

- is given as

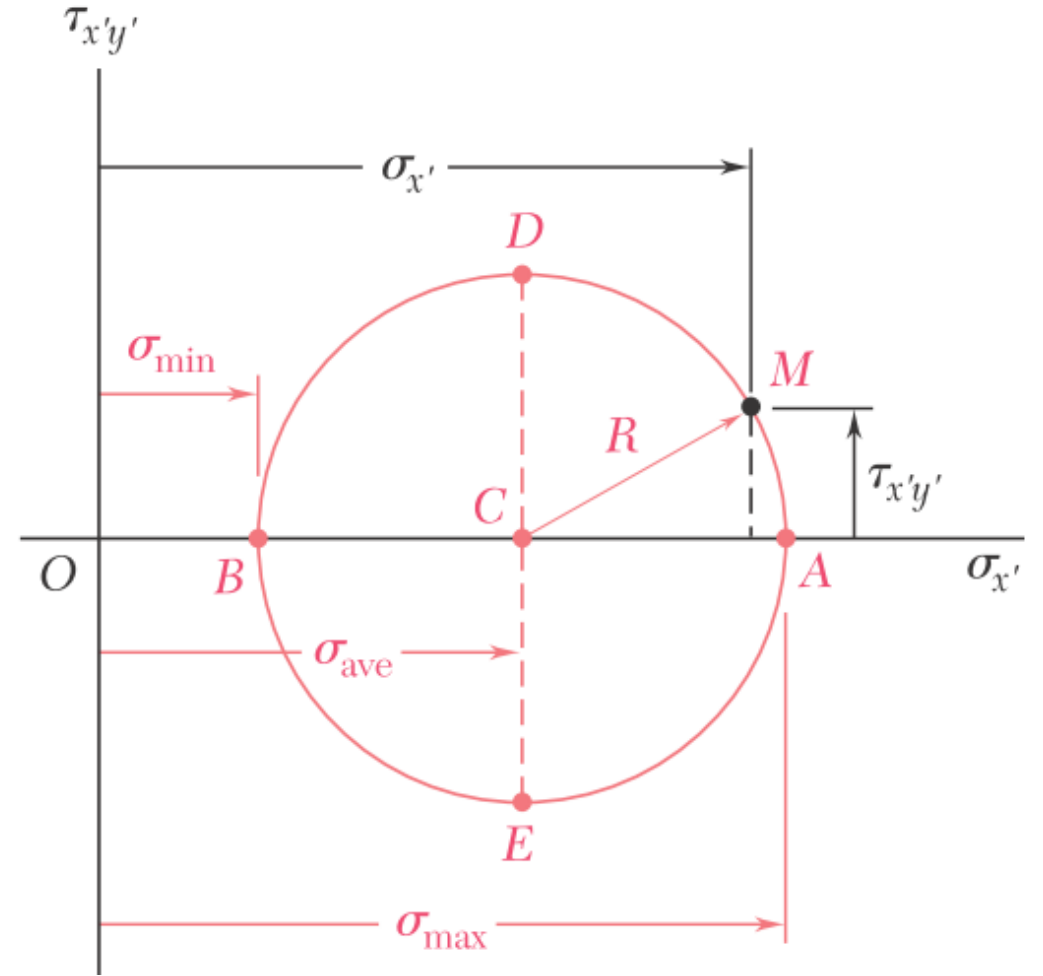
$$(\sigma_{x'} - \sigma_{\text{ave}})^2 + \tau_{x'y'}^2 = R^2$$

- which is the equation of a circle of radius  $R$  centered at the point  $C$  of abscissa  $\sigma_{\text{ave}}$  and ordinate  $O$ .



- Due to the symmetry of the circle about the horizontal axis, the same result is obtained if a point  $N$  of abscissa  $\sigma_{x'}$  and ordinate  $-\tau_{x'y'}$  is plotted instead of  $M$ .

- The points A and B where the circle intersects the horizontal axis are of special interest: point A corresponds to the maximum value of the normal stress  $\sigma_{x'}$ , while point B corresponds to its minimum value. Both points also correspond to a zero value of the shearing stress  $\tau_{x'y'}$ . Thus, the values  $\theta_p$  of the parameter  $\theta$  which correspond to points A and B can be obtained by setting  $\tau_{x'y'} = 0$  in



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



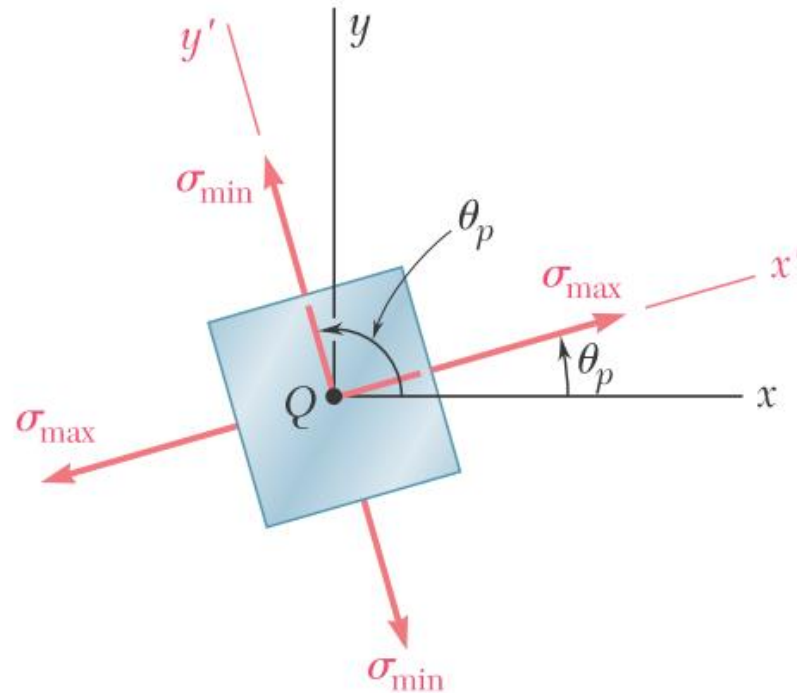
$$\tan 2\theta_p = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}$$



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(orientation of the corresponding element)

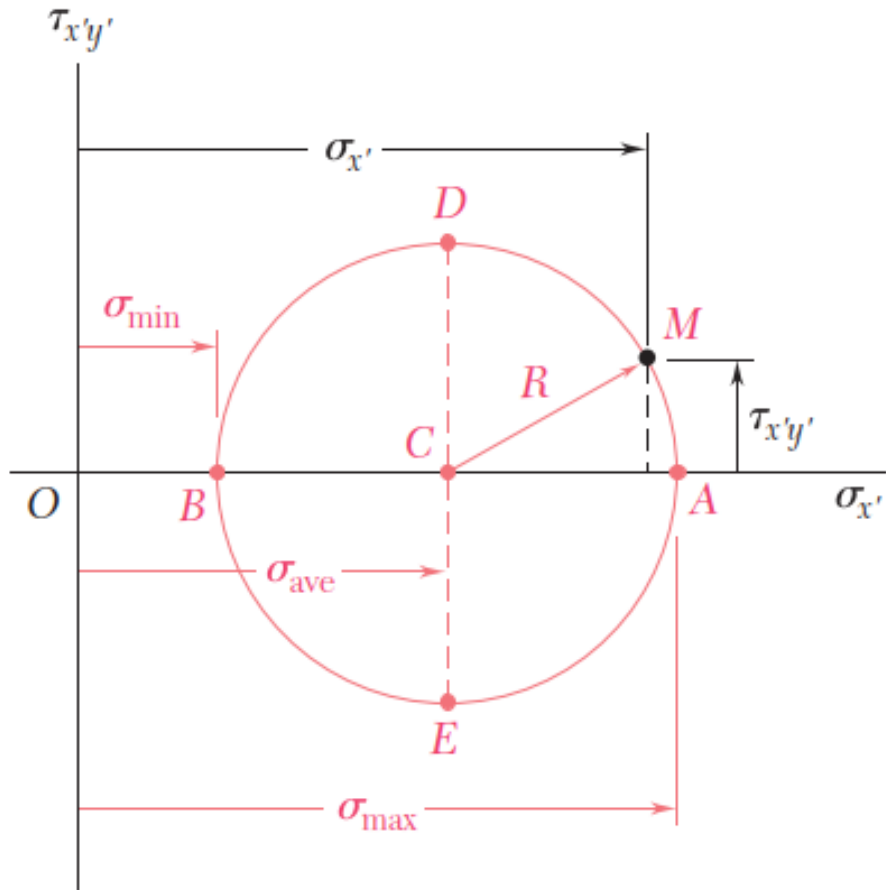
- This equation defines two values  $2\theta_p$  that are  $180^\circ$  apart and thus two values  $\theta_p$  that are  $90^\circ$  apart. Either value can be used to determine the orientation of the corresponding element.



- The planes containing the faces of the element obtained in this way are the principal planes of stress at point  $Q$ , and the corresponding values  $\sigma_{max}$  and  $\sigma_{min}$  exerted on these planes are the **principal stresses** at  $Q$ .
- Since both values  $\theta_p$  defined by the equation below are obtained by setting  $\tau_{x'y'} = 0$

$$\tan 2\theta_p = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}$$

- It is clear that no shearing stress is exerted on the principal planes.



From the figure given:

$$\sigma_{\max} = \sigma_{\text{ave}} + R \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_{\min} = \sigma_{\text{ave}} - R$$

Substituting  $\sigma_{ave}$  and  $R$ :

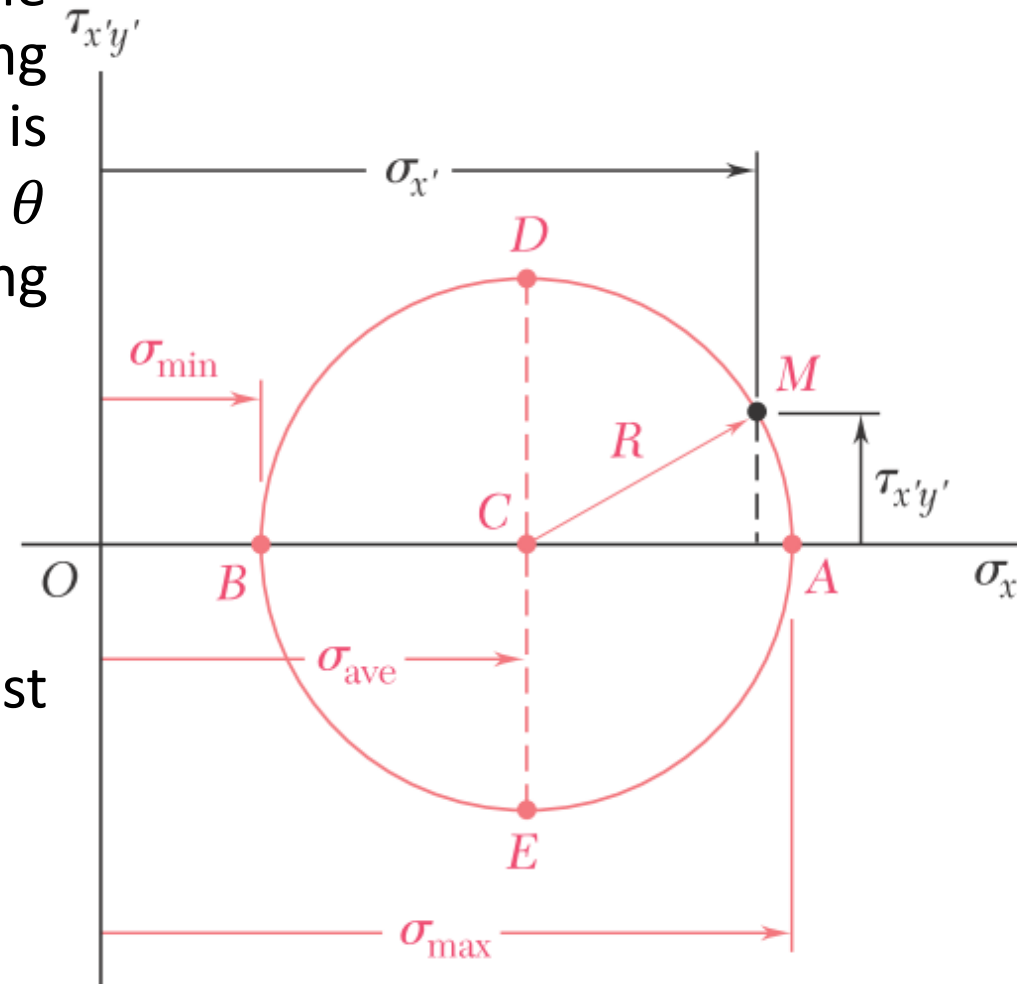
$$\sigma_{\max, \min} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$

- Points D and E located on the vertical diameter of the circle correspond to the largest value of the shearing stress  $\tau_{x'y'}$ . Since the abscissa of points D and E is  $\sigma_{ave} = (\sigma_x + \sigma_y)/2$ , the values  $\theta_s$  of the parameter  $\theta$  corresponding to these points are obtained by setting  $\sigma_{x'} = (\sigma_x + \sigma_y)/2$  in

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

- The sum of the last two terms in that equation must be zero. Thus, for  $\theta = \theta_s$ ,

$$\tan 2\theta_s = -\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2\tau_{xy}}$$



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- This equation defines two values  $2\theta_s$  that are  $180^\circ$  apart, and thus two values  $\theta_s$  that are  $90^\circ$  apart. Either of these values can be used to determine the orientation of the element corresponding to the maximum shearing stress.
- It is also shown that the *maximum value of the shearing stress* is equal to the *radius  $R$  of the circle*.

$$\tau_{\max} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$$