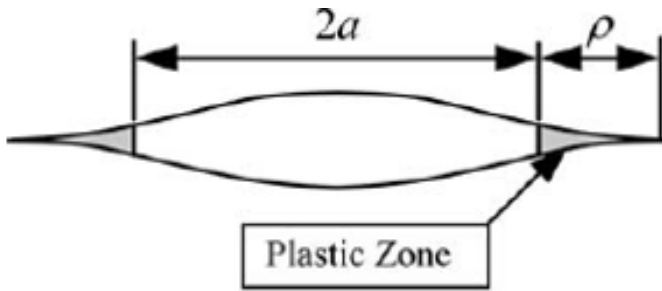


Another use of plastic zone radius

- Effective crack length

Basically by knowing the plastic zone size one can modify the crack length



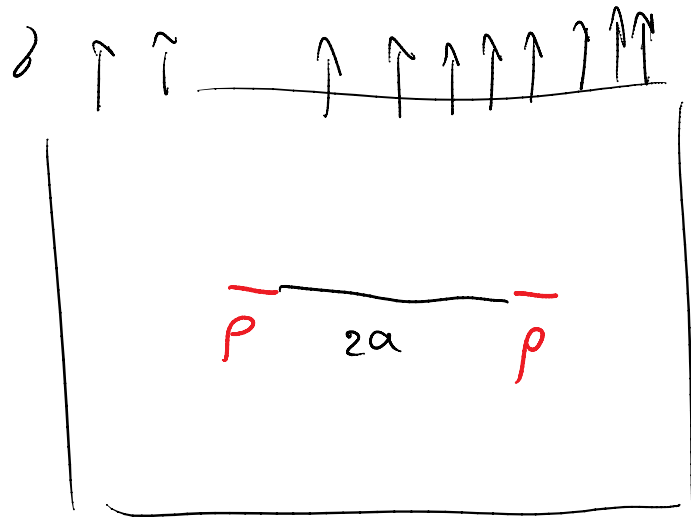
Initial crack length $2a$

Two times of the plastic zone can be added to the crack length to find the effective crack length

$$\text{Effective crack length} = 2(a + \rho)$$

Example

Infinite domain



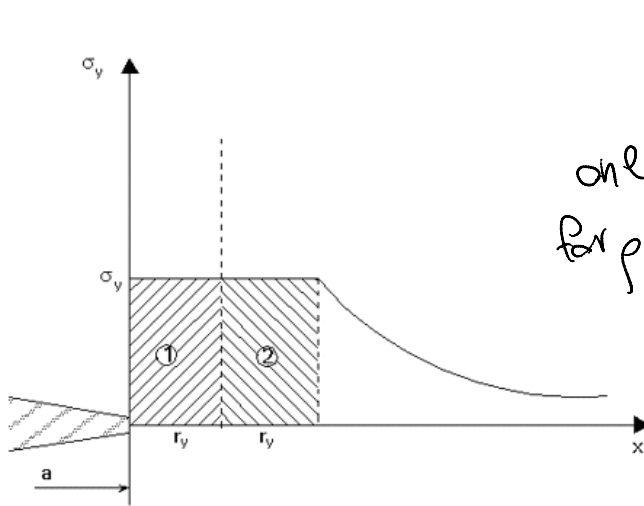
a function of ρ

$$K_{eff} = \sigma \sqrt{2(a + \rho)}$$

$\rho \rightarrow$

we can use any of the estimates

$\rho = ?$ we can use any of the estimates we found



(b) Real crack with plastic zone

plastic zone

one representative for ρ

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{K_{I\text{eff}}}{\sigma_{ys}} \right)^2$$

It's a function of

$K_{I\text{eff}}$

$$K_{I\text{eff}} = \sigma \sqrt{\pi(a+\rho)} = \sigma \sqrt{\pi \left(a + \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{K_{I\text{eff}}}{\sigma_{ys}} \right)^2 \right)}$$

appears on both sides

$$K_{I\text{eff}}^2 = \sigma^2 \left(\pi a + \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{K_{I\text{eff}}}{\sigma_{ys}} \right)^2 \right)$$

1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, ...

$$K_{\text{eff}}^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{ys}} \right)^2 \right) = \sigma^2 \pi a$$

$$K_{\text{eff}} = \sigma \sqrt{\pi a} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{ys}} \right)^2}} \right\}$$

correction factor

By including the plastic zone size as a part of effective crack K increases.

correction factor = $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{ys}} \right)^2}}$

plastic zone size \uparrow

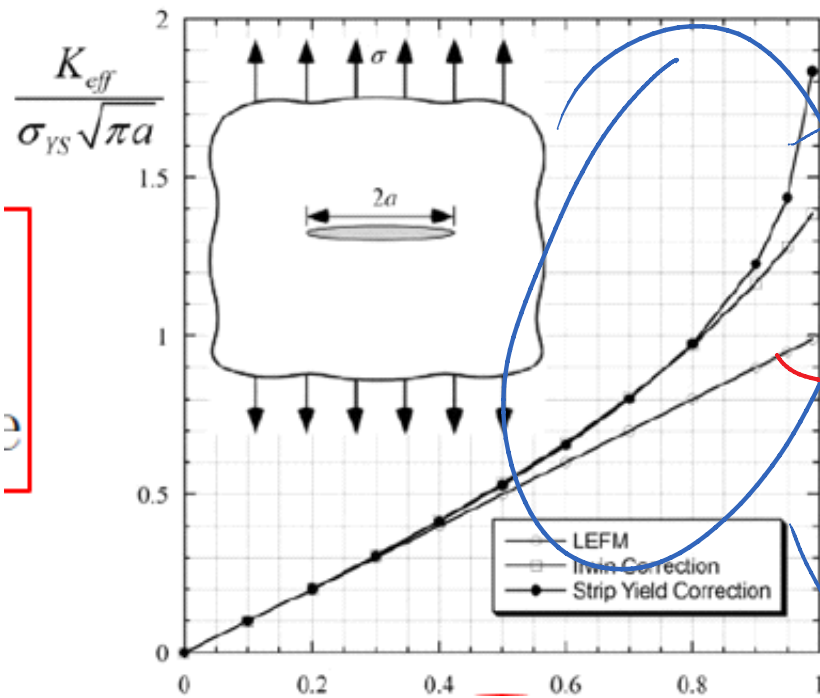
$\frac{r_p}{r_s} \propto \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{ys}} \right)^2$

\downarrow K-dominant zone size

Must have $\frac{r_p}{r_s} \ll 1$

for SSY to be satisfied

$$K_{eff} = \frac{\sigma \sqrt{\pi a}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{YS}} \right)^2}}$$



Adjusted K
 $= \frac{\sigma \sqrt{\pi a}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{YS}} \right)^2}}$

LEFM solution: $K = \sigma \sqrt{\pi a}$

$\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{YS}}$ large K from

LEFM $\approx \sigma \sqrt{\pi a}$
 is not representative

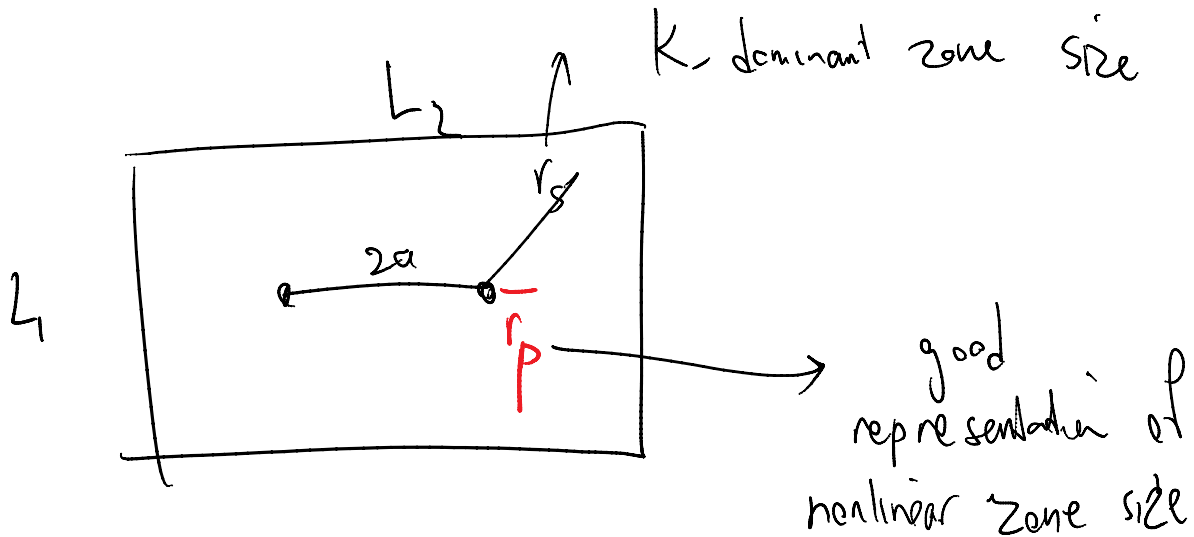
Notes:

1. This is crude way to include the effect of plasticity in LEFM theory when loads increase. Basically, we effectively increase K by including plastic zone as a part of the crack. Clearly it is better to do a full nonlinear analysis when the load / yield stress $\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{YS}}$ is high.

2. SSY condition

Nonlinear zone size is
MUCH SMALLER than

ALL relevant length scales of
the problem.



$$r_p \ll \{L_1, L_2, a, r_s\}$$

$$\frac{r_p}{r_s} \propto \left(\frac{b}{\delta_{ys}}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{b}{\delta_{ys}} \ll 1 \quad \text{a necessary condition (but not}$$

sufficient) for LFM.

3. In general finding effective crack length requires iteration

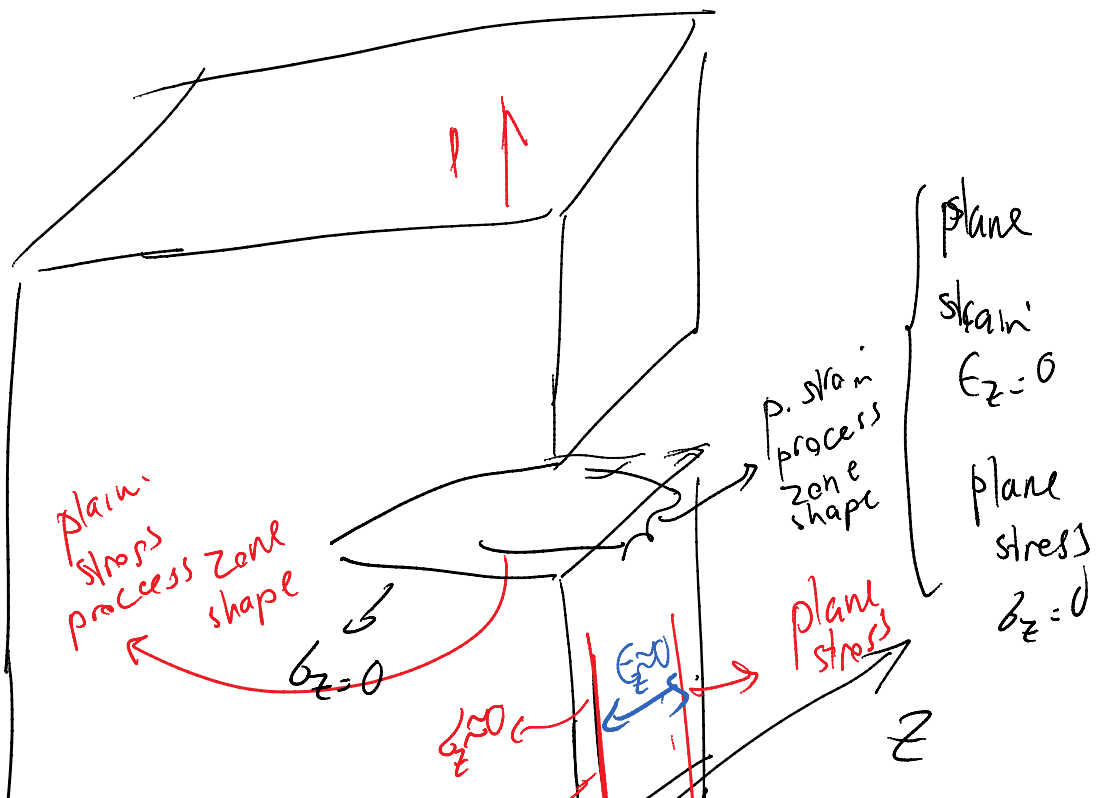
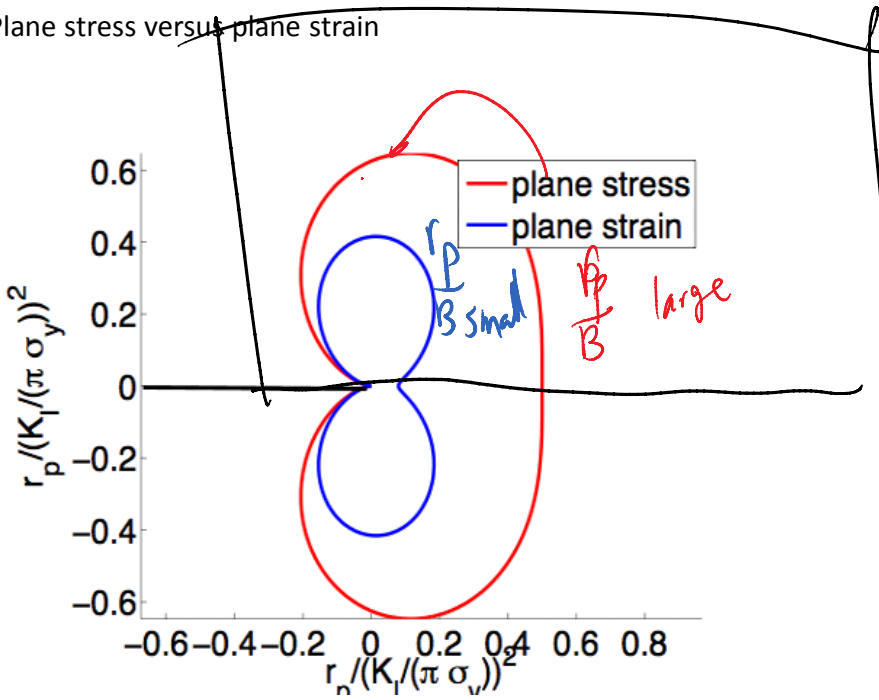
$$K_{\text{eff}} = f \left(\overset{\text{effective crack length}}{\tilde{a}}, W, L, \dots \right) \sqrt{\pi(a+r)}$$
$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{K_{\text{eff}}}{\sigma_{ys}} \right)^2$$

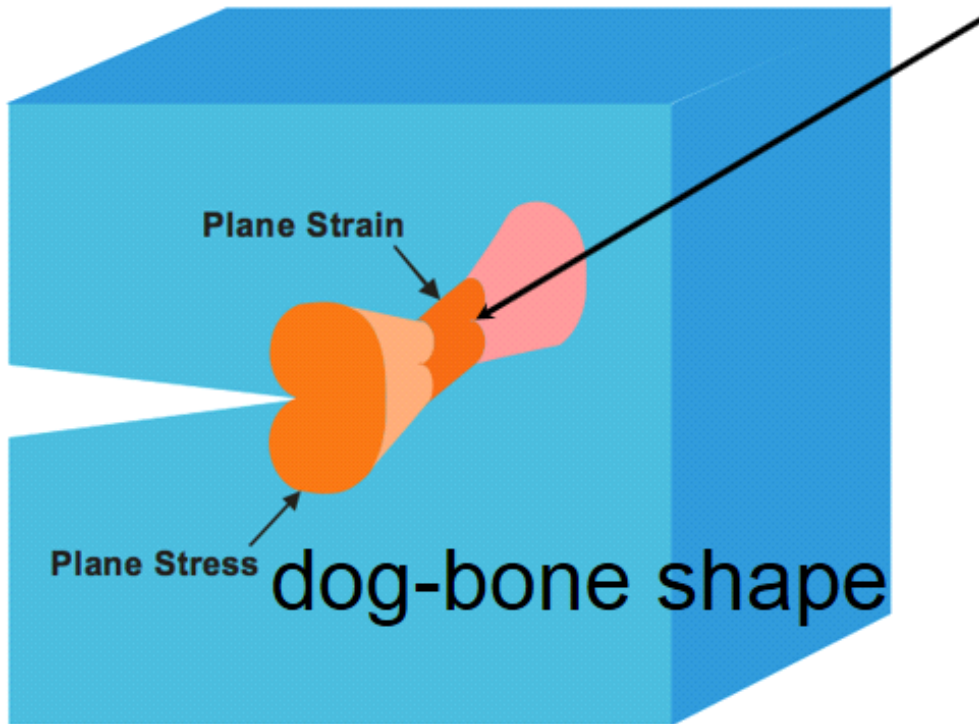
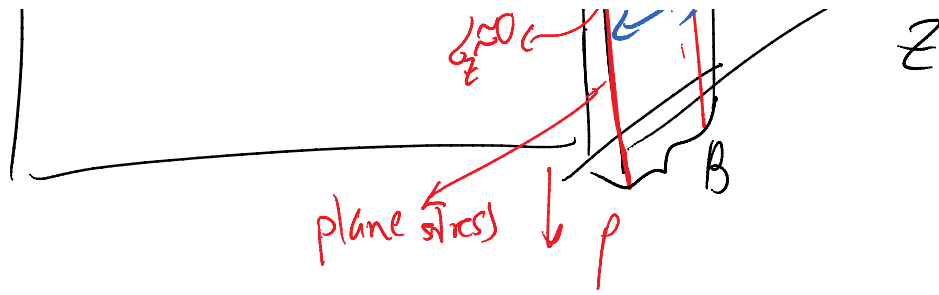
Consider a large central cracked plate subjected to a uniform stress of 130 MPa. The fracture toughness $K_c = 50 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$, the yield strength $\sigma_{ys} = 420 \text{ MPa}$.

- (a) What is the maximum allowable crack length?
- (b) What is the maximum crack length if plastic correction is taken into account. Plane stress and Irwin's correction.

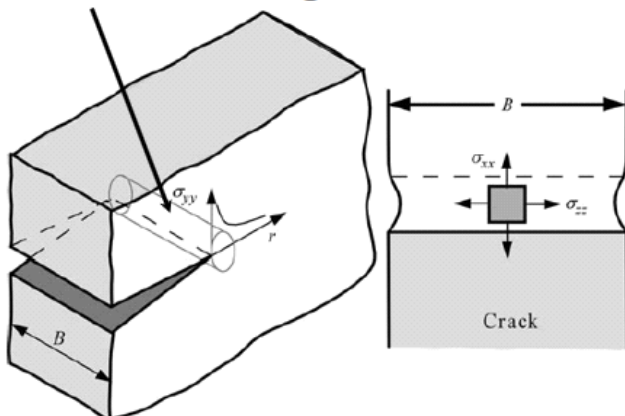
Going back to the 2D models for plasticity

Plane stress versus plane strain





constrained by the
surrounding material

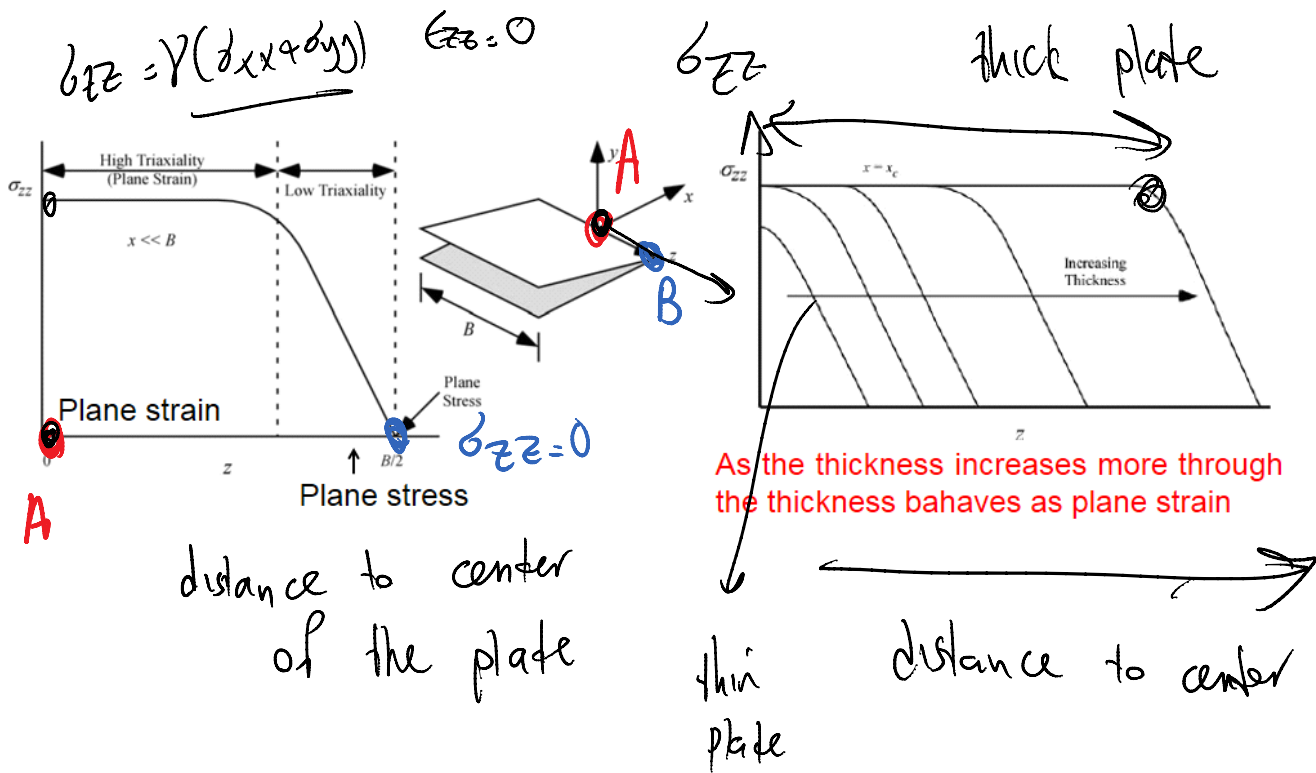


$$\epsilon_{zz} = \gamma(\sigma_{xx} + \sigma_{yy})$$

$$\epsilon_{zz} = 0$$

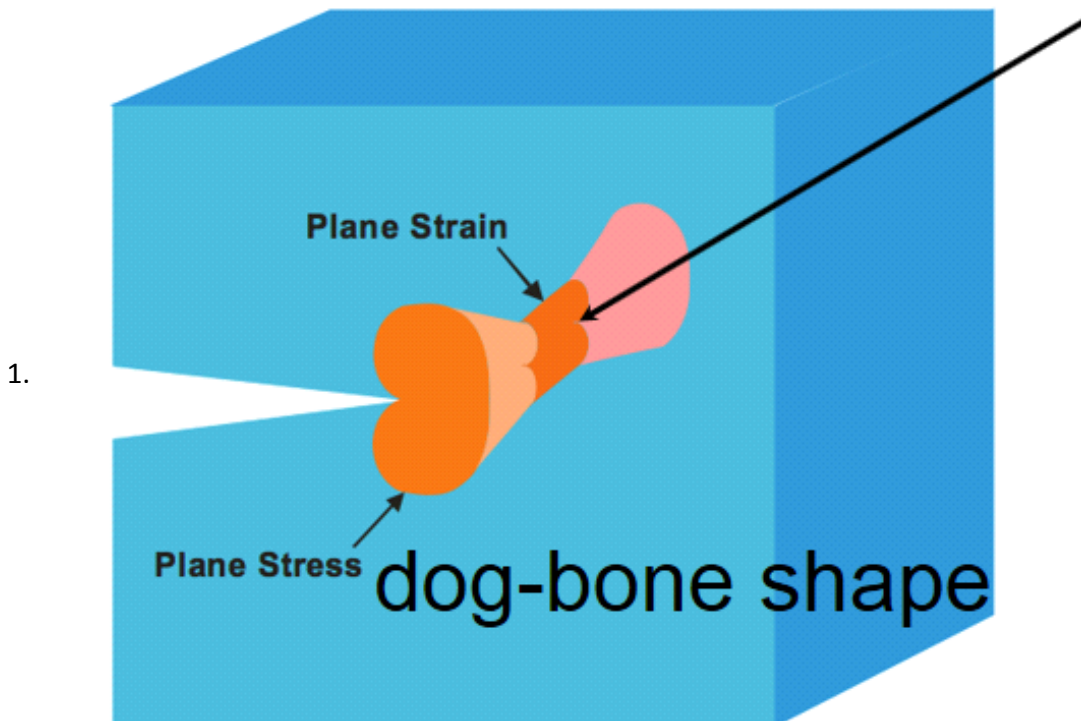
$$\epsilon_{zz}$$

thick plate



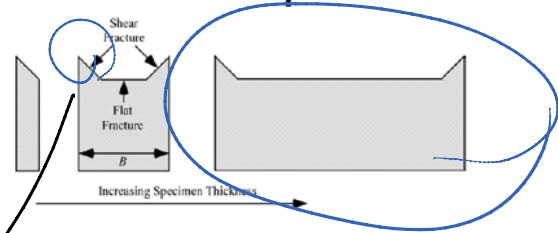
Relation of plate thickness to fracture mechanics

1. Dog bone shape process zone shape



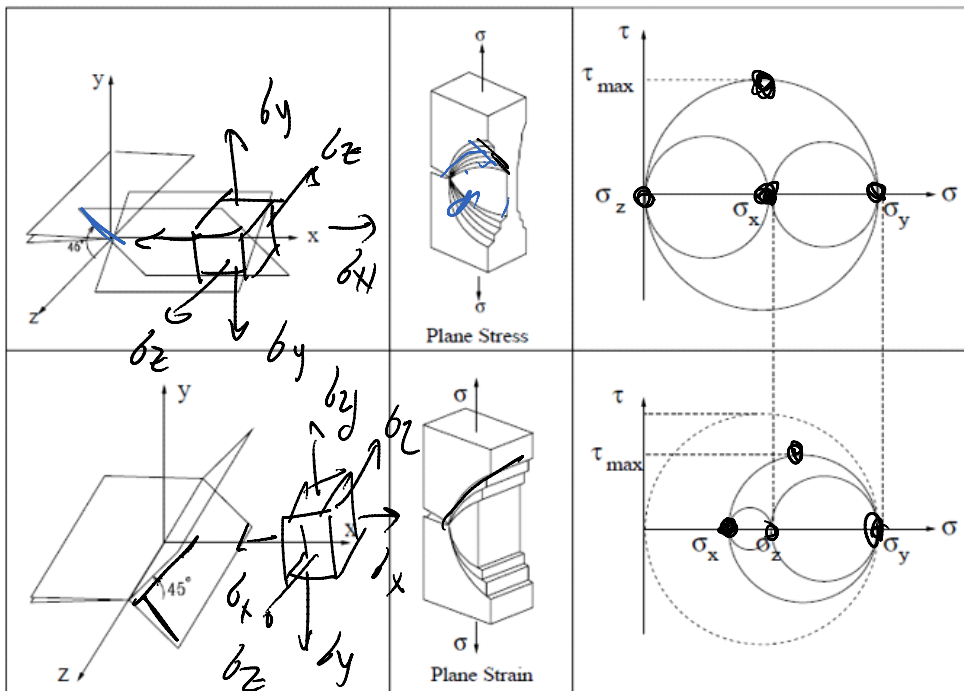
2. The shape of fractures surfaces

Higher percentage of plate thickness is in plane strain mode for thicker plates



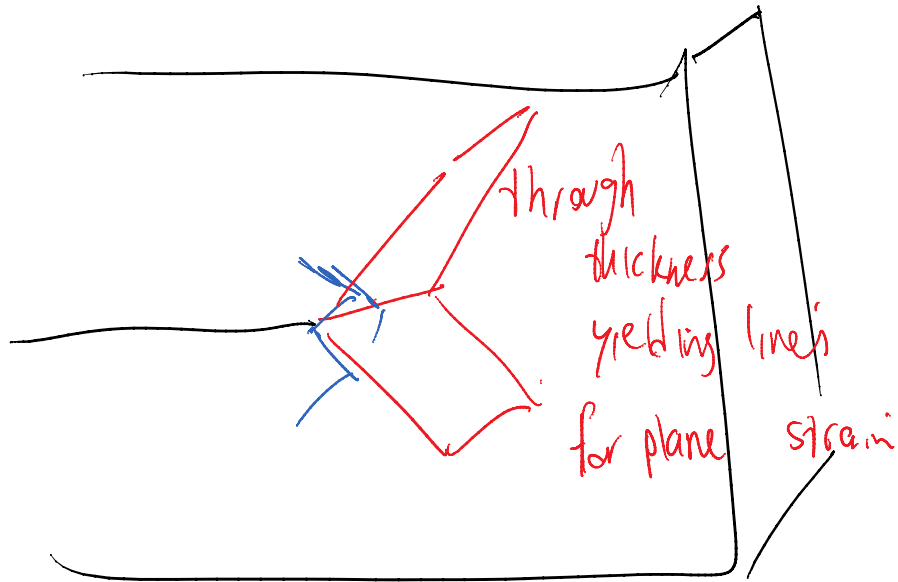
close to the surface material breaks at 45° degree

Plane stress/plane strain: Fracture loci

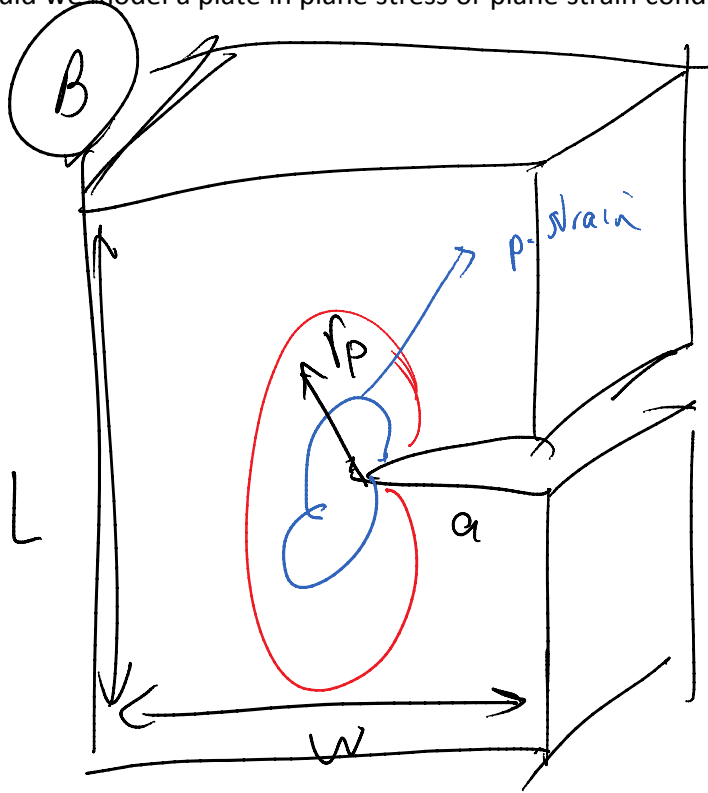


Loci of maximum shear stress for plane stress and strain

$$\sigma_z = \sqrt{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}$$



When should we model a plate in plane stress or plane strain condition for fracture mechanics?



$L, W \gg B$
to plate
2D model

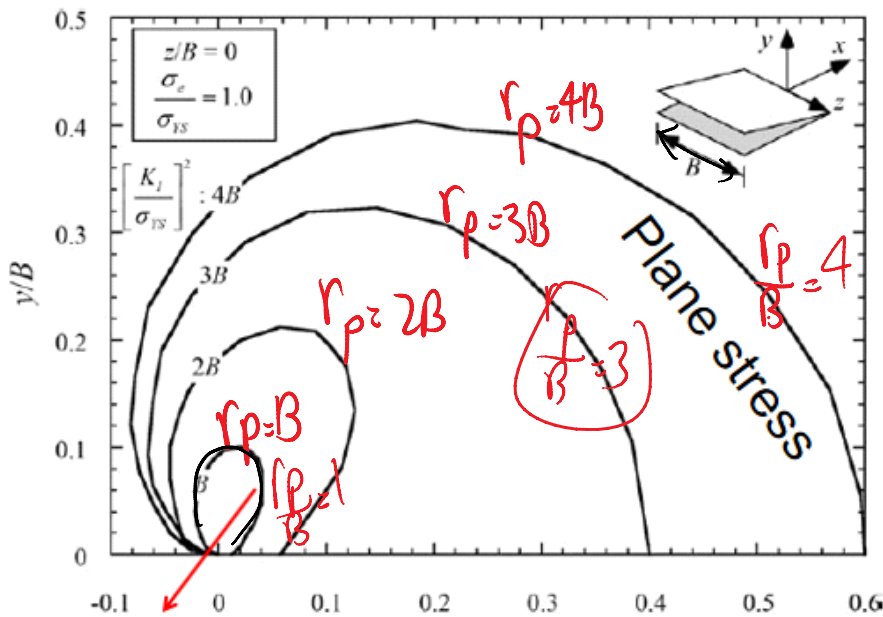
$$r_p \propto \left(\frac{K}{\sigma_y} \right)^2$$

r_p should be compared to B to
decide whether the plate is in plane-strain

or plane stress condition,

$$\frac{r_p}{B} \ll 1$$

plane strain
because "B
is very large"



$$r_p = \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_y} \right)^2$$

a proof that

as $\frac{r_p}{B} \nearrow$

(B decreases)

plane stress

condition holds.

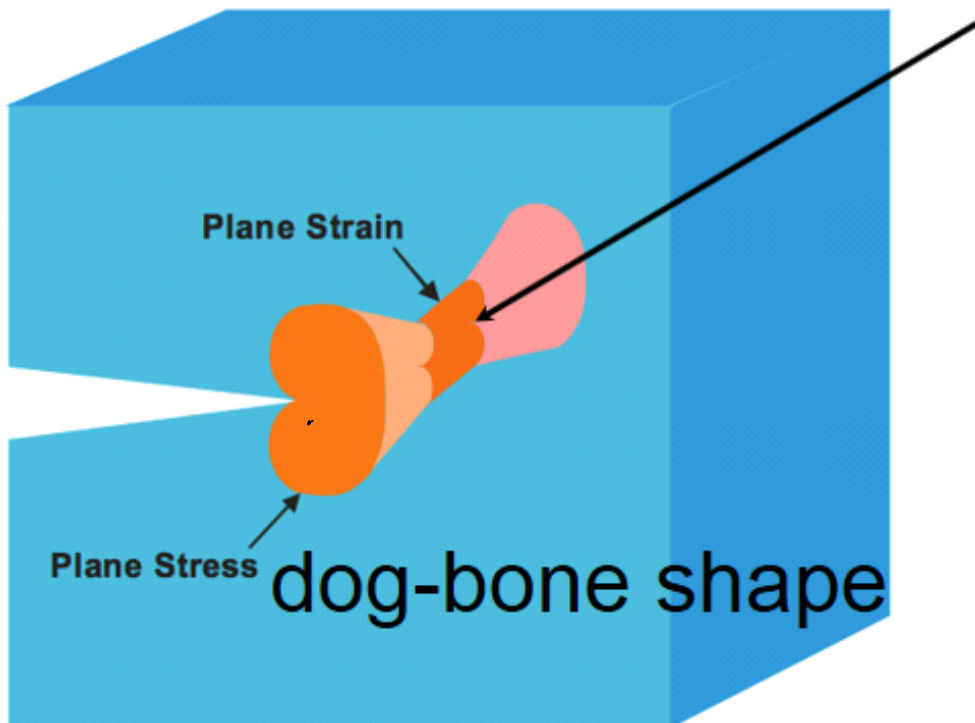
Change of plastic loci to plane stress mode as "relative B decreases".
Nakamura & Park, ASME 1988

Reasons why we care about plane stress / plane strain condition in fracture mechanics

1. The shape of process zone (where yielding occurs)
2. Shape / loci of fracture surface
3. **Critical stress intensity factor (fracture toughness)**

$$K_{II} = K_{Ic}$$

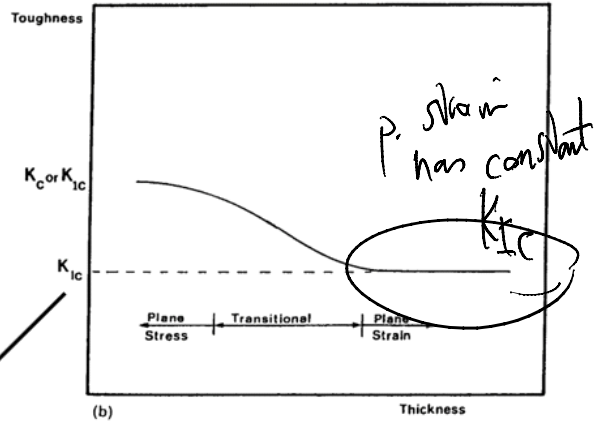
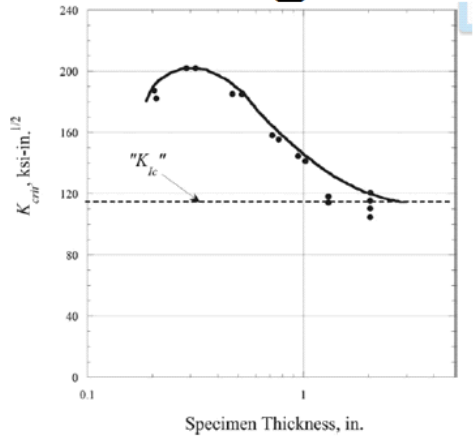
crack can propagate



In plane stress condition we have larger process zone -> larger energy dissipation (per unit area of crack) -> larger fracture toughness

Plane stress/plane strain Toughness vs thickness

Plane stress/plane strain Toughness vs. thickness



as $B \rightarrow$
 K_{Ic} reaches a limiting value

Plane strain fracture toughness lowest K (safe)

(Irwin) $K_c = K_{Ic} \left(1 + \frac{1.4}{B^2} \left[\frac{K_{Ic}}{\sigma_{ys}} \right]^4 \right)^{1/2}$

Note that $\frac{1}{B^2} \left[\frac{K}{\sigma_{ys}} \right]^4 \propto \left(\frac{r_p}{B} \right)^2$

adjusted K_c based on thickness $\approx \left(\frac{r_p}{B} \right)^2$

fracture toughness for p. STRAIN

Experiments find K_{Ic} (fracture toughness for plane strain) and the equation above helps us find K_c for other thicknesses.

Most Fracture mechanics experiments are done under plane strain condition.

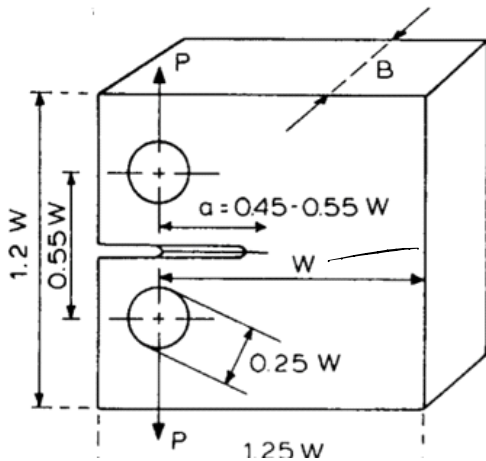
Fracture toughness tests

- Prediction of failure in real-world applications: need the value of fracture toughness
- Tests on cracked samples: **PLANE STRAIN condition!!!**

Compact Tension Test

$$K_I = \frac{P}{B\sqrt{W}} \left(2 + \frac{a}{W}\right) \left[0.886 + 4.64 \frac{a}{W} - 13.32 \left(\frac{a}{W}\right)^2 + 14.72 \left(\frac{a}{W}\right)^3 - 5.6 \left(\frac{a}{W}\right)^4\right] \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{a}{W}\right)^{3/2}}$$

$a, B, (W-a) \geq 2.5 \left(\frac{K_{Ic}}{\sigma_{YS}}\right)^2$



ASTM (based on Irwin's model for plane strain condition:

$$a, B, (W - a) \geq 2.5 \left(\frac{K_{Ic}}{\sigma_Y} \right)^2$$

$B \geq 2.5 r_p \quad r_p$

to ensure plane strain condition for test.

Fracture toughness test

ASTM E399

$$B \geq 2.5 \left(\frac{K_{Ic}}{\sigma_Y} \right)^2$$

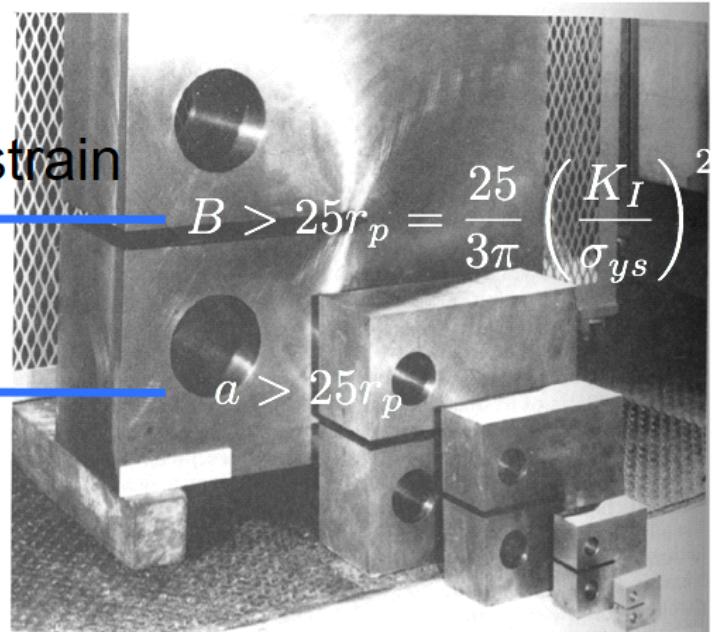
$$a \geq 2.5 \left(\frac{K_{Ic}}{\sigma_Y} \right)^2$$

$$W \geq 2.5 \left(\frac{K_{Ic}}{\sigma_Y} \right)^2$$

plane strain

$$B > 25r_p = \frac{25}{3\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_{ys}} \right)^2$$

$$a > 25r_p$$



Linear fracture mechanics is only useful when the plastic zone size is much smaller than the crack size

5.3. J Integral (Rice 1958)

	LEFM	Nonlinear Plastic FM (PEM) (NLFM)
Global (Energy)	$G \geq G_c (=R)$ crack can propagate	$J \geq J_c (=R)$ \leftarrow J integral
Local (stress)	$\sigma_{ij} = \frac{K}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} f_{ij}(\theta)$	$\sigma_{ij} = (J)^{\frac{1}{2}} r^{\frac{\beta}{2}} f_{ij}(\theta)$

$$G = \frac{1}{E'} K_I^2$$

mode I

J integral is in fact energy release rate G in general (with nonlinear loading)

$$G = J$$

$$J = ?$$

- J integral in fracture

$$J = J_1 = \int_{\Gamma} \left(W n_1 - t_i \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_1} \right) d\Gamma \quad \left[\frac{N}{m} \right]$$

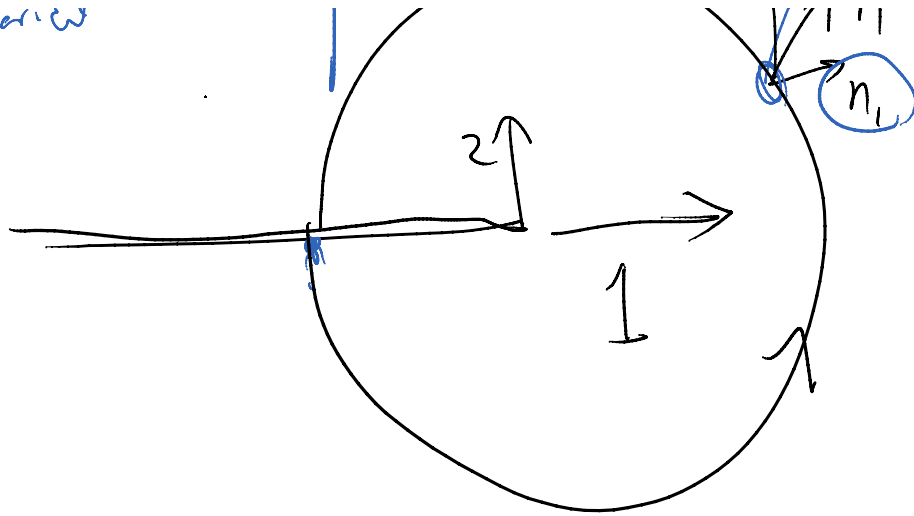
$$W = \frac{1}{2} \sigma : \epsilon$$

for linear material

Energy density
traction
displacement



master view



$$G = J$$
$$K = \sqrt{G} E'$$

