### Lectures

### **Constitutive Modelling of Arteries**

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# Overview of the Ingredients of Continuum Mechanics needed in Soft Tissue Biomechanics

and the phenomenological description of material properties



### **Lecture Contents**

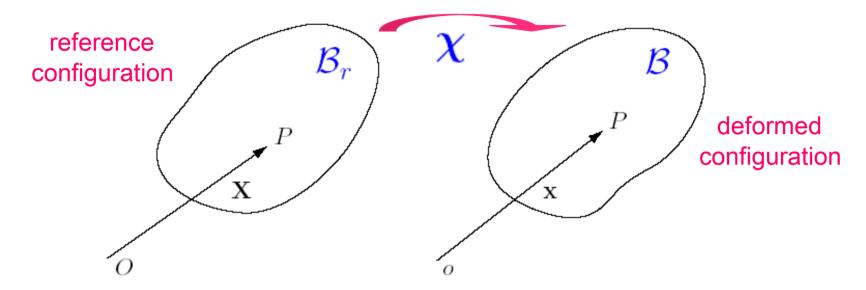
Outline of the basics tools from continuum mechanics – kinematics, invariants, stress, elasticity, strain energy, stress-deformation relations

Characterization of material properties – isotropy and anisotropy, fibrous materials

Application to arteries (and the myocardium – if time allows)



### **Kinematics**



Deformation 
$$\mathbf{x} = oldsymbol{\chi}(\mathbf{X})$$

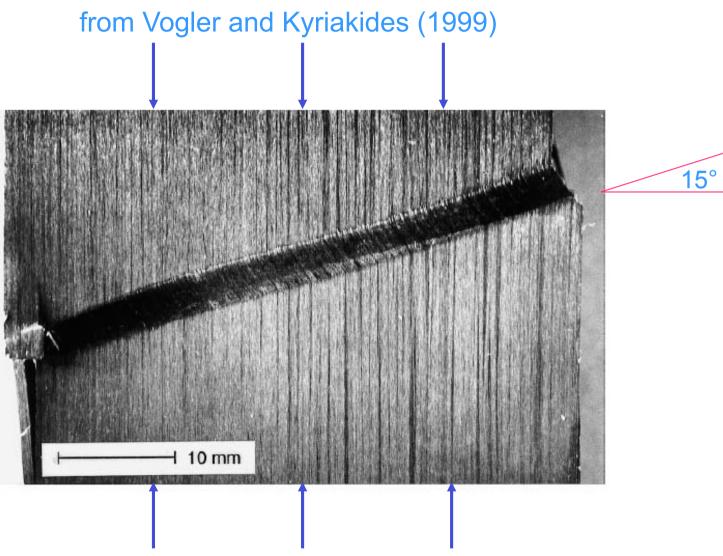
Properties of  $\chi$ 

Continuous

One-to-one and onto – invertible
Differentiable, inverse differentiable
(not necessarily continuously differentiable)



### Example of a deformation that is **not** continuously differentiable – a kink band –





Deformation gradient 
$$\mathbf{F} = \operatorname{Grad} oldsymbol{\chi}$$

Associated (Cauchy-Green) tensors

left 
$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^{\mathrm{T}}$$
  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{F}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{F}$  right

Polar decomposition

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{R}$$

positive definite symmetric tensors

rotation tensor

Eigenvalues of  $\, {f U} \,$  and  $\, {f V} \,$ 

are the **principal stretches** 
$$\lambda_i > 0$$
  $i = 1, 2, 3$ 

Eigenvalues of  ${f B}^-$  and  ${f C}^-$  are  $\lambda_i^2$ 



### Stretch can be defined for any reference direction $M\,\,$ – unit vector

Square of length of a line element

$$|\mathrm{d}\mathbf{x}|^2 = (\mathbf{F}\mathrm{d}\mathbf{X}) \cdot (\mathbf{F}\mathrm{d}\mathbf{X}) = (\mathbf{F}\mathbf{M}) \cdot (\mathbf{F}\mathbf{M}) |\mathrm{d}\mathbf{X}|^2 = (\mathbf{F}^T\mathbf{F}\mathbf{M}) \cdot \mathbf{M} |\mathrm{d}\mathbf{X}|^2$$
 unit vector in reference configuration 
$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{F}^T\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{U}^2$$

$$\frac{|\mathrm{d}\mathbf{x}|}{|\mathrm{d}\mathbf{X}|} = |\mathbf{F}\mathbf{M}| = [(\mathbf{F}^T\mathbf{F}\mathbf{M})\cdot\mathbf{M}]^{1/2} \equiv \lambda(\mathbf{M}) \quad -\text{stretch in direction }\mathbf{M}$$

Inextensibility constraint

$$(\mathbf{F}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{F}\mathbf{M})\cdot\mathbf{M}=1$$

Green strain tensor

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{F}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{F} - \mathbf{I}) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{U}^{2} - \mathbf{I})$$



#### **Deformation of**

- 1. line elements  $d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{F}d\mathbf{X}$
- 2. area elements  $\mathbf{n} da = J \mathbf{F}^{-T} \mathbf{N} dA$  Nanson's formula
- 3. volume elements  $\,\mathrm{d}v=J\mathrm{d}V$

$$J = \det \mathbf{F} > 0$$

Incompressibility constraint

$$J \equiv \det \mathbf{F} = 1$$

### **Deformation invariants**

Principal invariants 
$$I_1=\mathrm{tr}\mathbf{C}$$
 Principal invariants of  $\mathbf{C}$  
$$I_2=\frac{1}{2}[(\mathrm{tr}\mathbf{C})^2-\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}^2)]$$
 
$$I_3=\det\mathbf{C}=J^2$$
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### Invariants associated with a distinguished direction ${f M}$ in the reference configuration

$$I_4 = \mathbf{M} \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{M}) = \lambda(\mathbf{M})^2$$
 – square of stretch in direction  $\mathbf{M}$   $I_5 = \mathbf{M} \cdot (\mathbf{C}^2\mathbf{M})$  – no simple physical interpretation

An alternative to  $I_{\mathbf{5}}$  based on Nanson's formula

$$\mathbf{n} da = J \mathbf{F}^{-T} \mathbf{N} dA$$

$$I_5^* = (\mathbf{C}^*\mathbf{M}) \cdot \mathbf{M}$$
 — square of ratio of deformed to undeformed area element initially  $\mathbf{C}^* = I_3\mathbf{C}^{-1}$  normal to  $\mathbf{M}$ 



### Invariants associated with two distinguished directions ${f M}$ ${f M}'$ in the reference configuration

Additional invariants

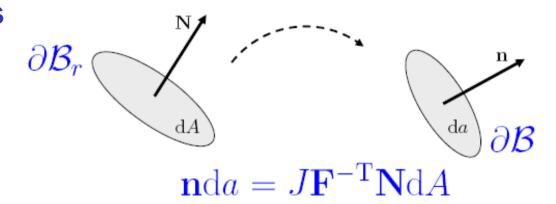
$$I_6 = \mathbf{M}' \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{M}')$$
  $I_7 = \mathbf{M}' \cdot (\mathbf{C}^2\mathbf{M}')$  
$$I_8 = \mathbf{M} \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{M}')(\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{M}')$$

Note: another way to write  $I_4$  and similarly for the other invariants is

$$I_4 = \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{CM} \otimes \mathbf{M})$$
structure tensor



#### **Stress tensors**



$$\mathbf{t} da = \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{n} da = J \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{F}^{-T} \mathbf{N} dA \equiv \mathbf{S}^{T} \mathbf{N} dA$$

Cauchy stress tensor (symmetric)

traction vector

 $\mathbf{S} = J\mathbf{F}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\sigma}$  nominal stress tensor

first Piola-Kirchhoff stress tensor

Equilibrium (no body forces)  $\int_{\partial \mathcal{B}} \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{N} dA = \mathbf{0} \longrightarrow \mathrm{Div} \mathbf{S} = \mathbf{0}$ 



### Introduction of the (elastic) strain energy

consider the virtual work of the surface tractions

$$\int_{\partial \mathcal{B}_r} (\mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{N}) \cdot \delta \mathbf{x} dA = \int_{\mathcal{B}_r} \text{Div}(\mathbf{S} \delta \mathbf{x}) dV = \int_{\mathcal{B}_r} \text{tr}(\mathbf{S} \text{Grad} \delta \mathbf{x}) dV$$

This is converted into stored (elastic) energy if there exists a scalar function  $W=W(\mathbf{F})$ 

such that

$$\delta W = \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{S}\delta\mathbf{F})$$

from which we obtain the stress-deformation relation

$$\mathbf{S} = \frac{\partial W}{\partial \mathbf{F}} \qquad \boldsymbol{\sigma} = J^{-1} \mathbf{F} \mathbf{S}$$



Some properties of  $W(\mathbf{F})$ 

$$W(\mathbf{F}) \xrightarrow{\text{objectivity}} W(\mathbf{U}) \text{ or } W(\mathbf{C}) \text{ or } W(\mathbf{E})$$
 
$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{U}^2 \quad \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{I})$$

$$W(\mathbf{C}) \xrightarrow{\text{material}} W(I_1, I_2, \dots)$$



For an incompressible material 
$$\det \mathbf{F} = 1$$
 Lagrange 
$$\mathbf{S} = \frac{\partial W}{\partial \mathbf{F}} - p\mathbf{F}^{-1} \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{F} \frac{\partial W}{\partial \mathbf{F}} - p\mathbf{I}$$

#### **Material symmetry**

$$W \longrightarrow W(I_1, I_2, \dots, I_N)$$
 
$$\mathbf{S} = \sum_{i=1}^N W_i \frac{\partial I_i}{\partial \mathbf{F}} - p \mathbf{F}^{-1} \qquad W_i = \frac{\partial W}{\partial I_i}$$
 incompressible  $I_3 \equiv 1$ 



### Incompressible isotropic elastic materials

Principal invariants 
$$I_1 = \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{C}$$
  $I_2 = \frac{1}{2}[I_1^2 - \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{C}^2)]$ 

Strain energy  $W = W(I_1, I_2)$   $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F}$  right C-G tensor

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = -p\mathbf{I} + 2W_1\mathbf{B} + 2W_2\left(I_1\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B}^2\right)$$
 left C-G tensor
$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^T$$

#### **Principal stresses**

$$\sigma_{1} = -p + 2W_{1}\lambda_{1}^{2} + 2W_{2}(I_{1}\lambda_{1}^{2} - \lambda_{1}^{4})$$

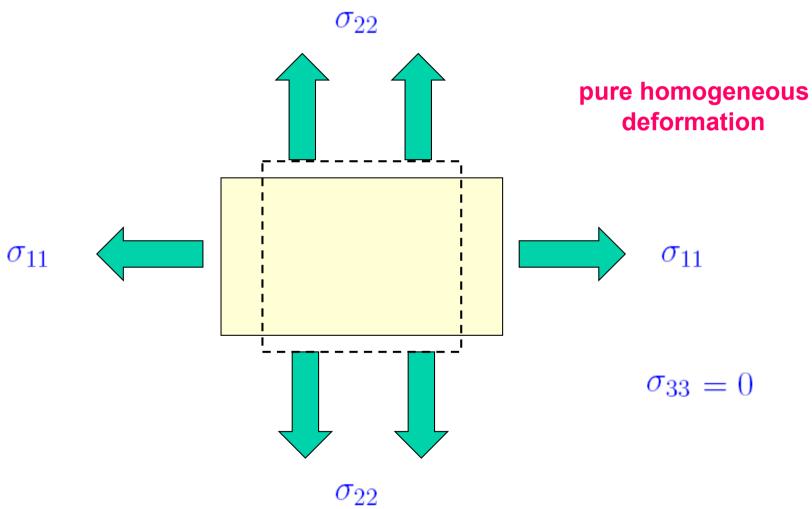
$$\sigma_{2} = -p + 2W_{1}\lambda_{2}^{2} + 2W_{2}(I_{1}\lambda_{2}^{2} - \lambda_{2}^{4})$$

$$\sigma_{3} = -p + 2W_{1}\lambda_{3}^{2} + 2W_{2}(I_{1}\lambda_{3}^{2} - \lambda_{3}^{4}) = 0$$

$$\lambda_{1}\lambda_{2}\lambda_{3} = 1$$



### To characterize W it suffices to perform planar biaxial tests on a thin sheet





#### Eliminate *p*

$$\sigma_1 = 2(\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_1^{-2}\lambda_2^{-2}) \left( \frac{\partial W}{\partial I_1} + \lambda_2^2 \frac{\partial W}{\partial I_2} \right)$$

$$\sigma_2 = 2(\lambda_2^2 - \lambda_1^{-2}\lambda_2^{-2}) \left( \frac{\partial W}{\partial I_1} + \lambda_1^2 \frac{\partial W}{\partial I_2} \right)$$

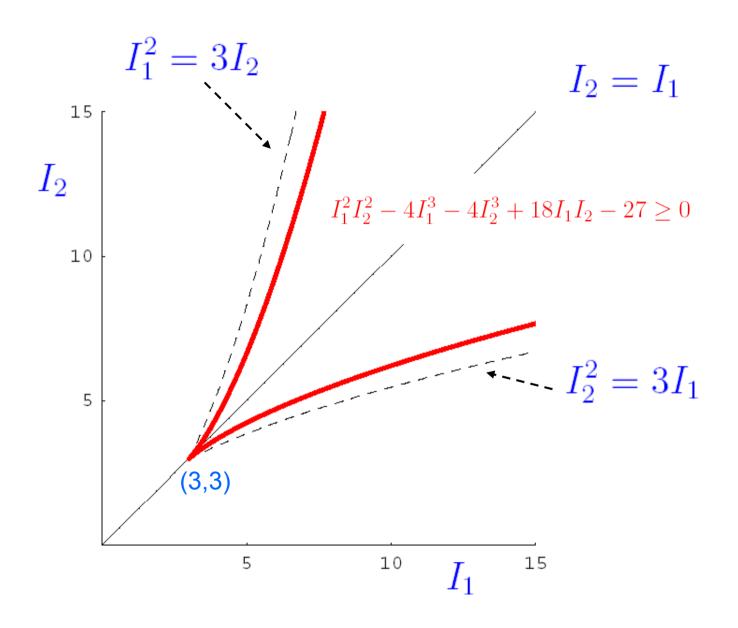
Data with  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3 = 1$  enable

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial I_1} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda_1^2 \sigma_1}{(\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_2^2)(\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_3^2)} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda_2^2 \sigma_2}{(\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_2^2)(\lambda_2^2 - \lambda_3^2)}$$

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial I_2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma_2}{(\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_2^2)(\lambda_2^2 - \lambda_3^2)} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma_1}{(\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_2^2)(\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_3^2)}$$

to be determined





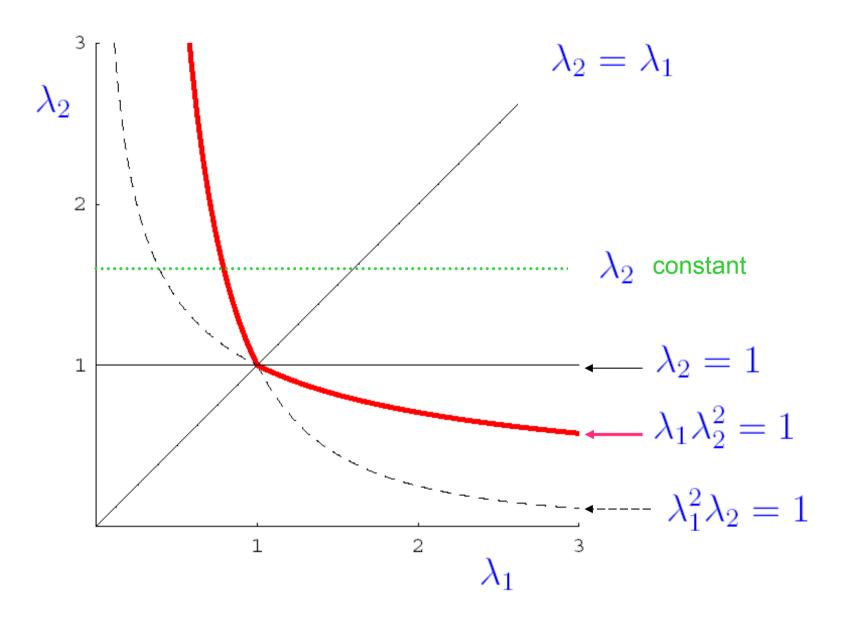


### Alternatively (and equivalently) – in terms of the principal stretches

$$W = \hat{W}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$$

$$\sigma_1 = \lambda_1 \frac{\partial \hat{W}}{\partial \lambda_1}$$
  $\sigma_2 = \lambda_2 \frac{\partial \hat{W}}{\partial \lambda_2}$ 







### In either case there are two independent deformation quantities and two stress components –

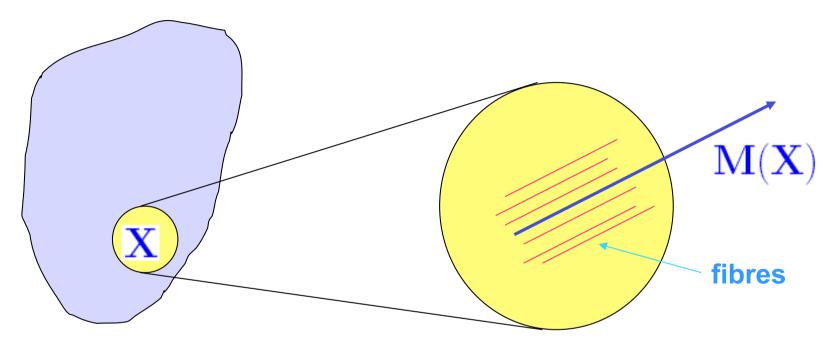
thus, planar biaxial tests (or extension-inflation tests) are sufficient to fully determine the three-dimensional material properties for an incompressible isotropic material

This is not the case for anisotropic materials

contrary to various claims in the literature



### **Modelling fibre reinforcement**



reference configuration

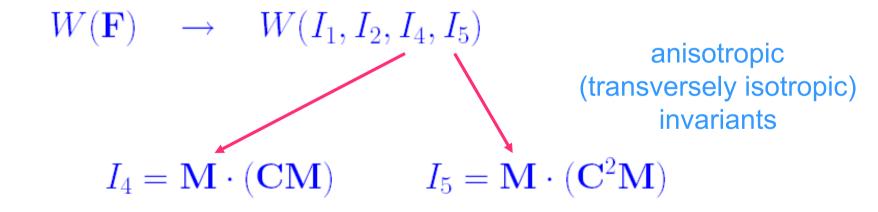
Fibres characterized in terms of the unit vector field M



One family of fibres – transverse isotropy (locally) – rotational symmetry about direction

 $W({f F})$  is an isotropic function of

$$C$$
 and  $\underbrace{M\otimes M}_{\text{structure tensor}}$ 





### Cauchy stress

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = -p\mathbf{I} + 2W_1\mathbf{B} + 2W_2(I_1\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B}^2)$$

$$+ 2W_4\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m} + 2W_5(\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{Bm} + \mathbf{Bm} \otimes \mathbf{m})$$

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{FM}$$

4 constitutive functions – require 4 independent tests to determine  $W_1 \quad W_2 \quad W_4 \quad W_5$ 



## Arterial tissue and characterization of the elastic properties of fibrous materials



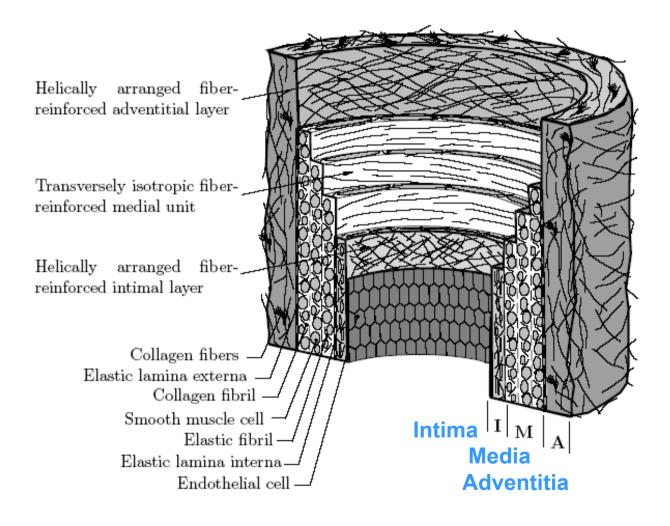
### **Typical arterial segments**



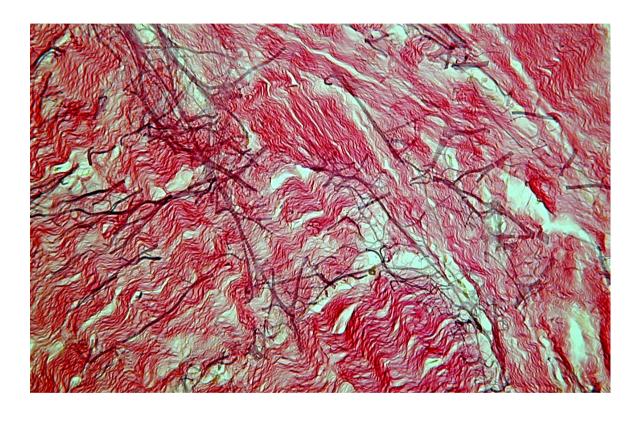




### Schematic of arterial wall layered structure



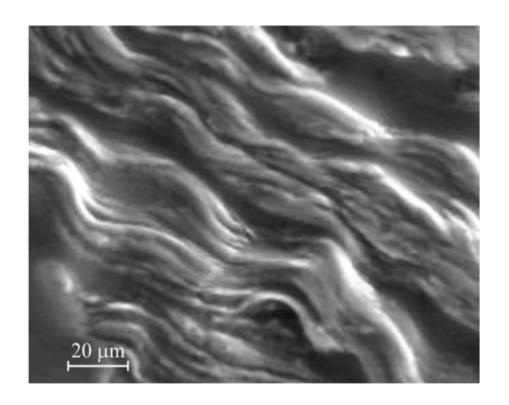




Collagen fibres in an iliac artery (adventitia)



### **ESEM** – adventitia of human aorta





### Rubber and soft tissue elasticity – similarities and differences

Rubber Soft tissue

Elastic Elastic

Large deformations Large deformations

Incompressible Incompressible

Isotropic Anisotropic

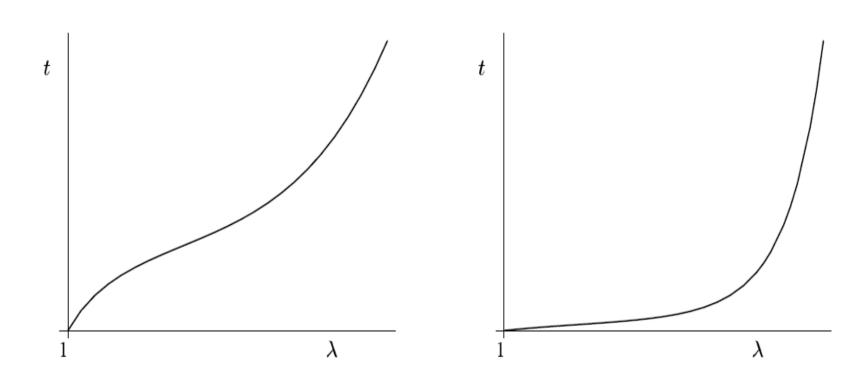


### Comparison of responses of rubber and soft tissue

**Simple tension** (tension vs stretch)

Rubber

Soft tissue



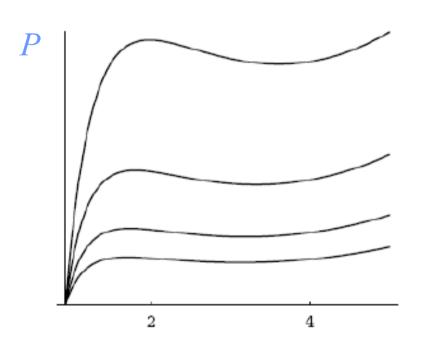


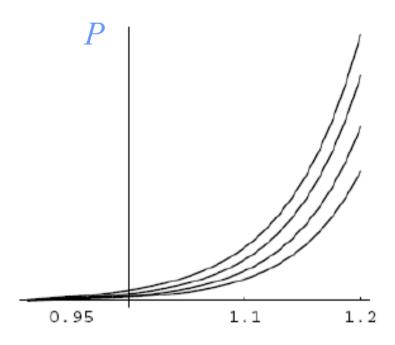
### **Extension-inflation of a (thin-walled) tube**

#### Pressure vs circumferential stretch

Rubber

Soft tissue



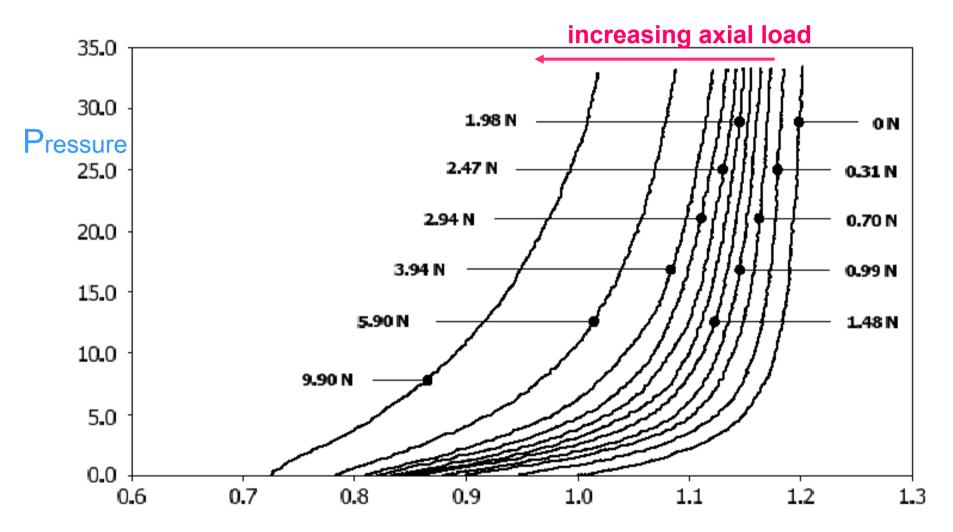


circumferential stretch

axial pre-stretch 1.2



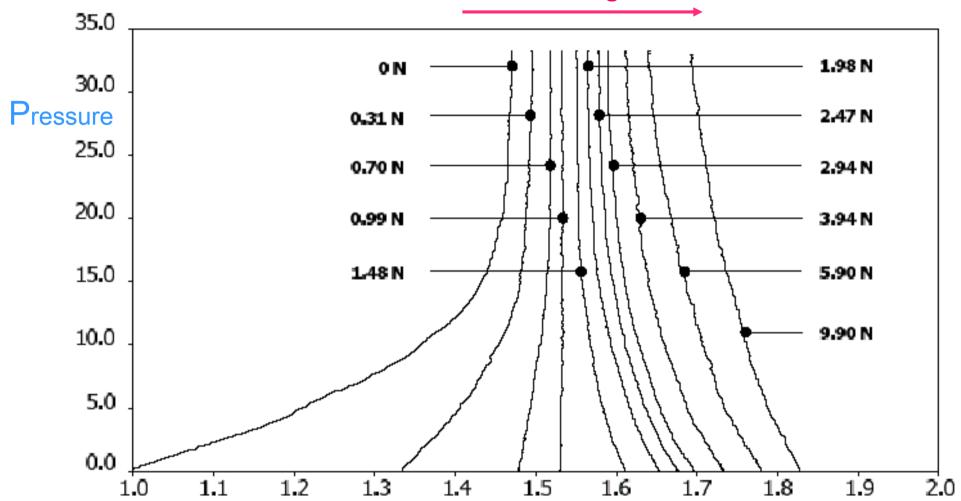
### Typical data for a short arterial length



Circumferential stretch (radius)



#### increasing axial load



Pressure vs axial stretch (length)



For arteries – two families of fibres – unit vector fields  ${
m M}$   ${
m M}'$ 

Invariants 
$$I_1 = \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{C}$$
  $I_2 = \operatorname{tr} (\mathbf{C}^{-1})$ 

$$I_4 = \mathbf{M} \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{M}) \quad I_5 = \mathbf{M} \cdot (\mathbf{C}^2\mathbf{M})$$

$$I_6 = \mathbf{M}' \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{M}') \quad I_7 = \mathbf{M}' \cdot (\mathbf{C}^2\mathbf{M}') \quad I_8 = \mathbf{M} \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{M}')(\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{M}')$$

Cauchy stress

$$\sigma = -p\mathbf{I} + 2W_{1}\mathbf{B} + 2W_{2}(I_{1}\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B}^{2})$$

$$+ 2W_{4}\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m} + 2W_{5}(\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{Bm} + \mathbf{Bm} \otimes \mathbf{m})$$

$$+ 2W_{6}\mathbf{m}' \otimes \mathbf{m}' + 2W_{7}(\mathbf{m}' \otimes \mathbf{Bm}' + \mathbf{Bm}' \otimes \mathbf{m}')$$

$$+ W_{8}(\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m}' + \mathbf{m}' \otimes \mathbf{m})$$

$$\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{EM} \quad \mathbf{m}' - \mathbf{EM}'$$



#### Stress components

$$\sigma_{11} = -p + 2W_1\lambda_1^2 + 2W_2(I_1\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_1^4) + 2(W_4 + W_6 + W_8)\lambda_1^2\cos^2\varphi + 4(W_5 + W_7)\lambda_1^4\cos^2\varphi$$

$$\sigma_{22} = -p + 2W_1\lambda_2^2 + 2W_2(I_1\lambda_2^2 - \lambda_2^4) + 2(W_4 + W_6 - W_8)\lambda_2^2 \sin^2 \varphi + 4(W_5 + W_7)\lambda_2^4 \sin^2 \varphi$$

$$\sigma_{12} = 2[W_4 - W_6 + (W_5 - W_7)(\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2)]\lambda_1\lambda_2\sin\varphi\cos\varphi$$

$$\sigma_{33} = -p + 2W_1\lambda_3^2 + 2W_2(I_1\lambda_3^2 - \lambda_3^4) \qquad \sigma_{13} = \sigma_{23} = 0$$

Fibre families mechanically equivalent

$$W_4 = W_6 \qquad W_5 = W_7$$

$$\sigma_{12} = 0$$
 no shear stress



$$\sigma_{11}=\sigma_1$$
  $\sigma_{22}=\sigma_2$   $\sigma_{33}=\sigma_3$  – principal stresses

$$W \longrightarrow \hat{W}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \varphi)$$

not symmetric in general

$$\sigma_{11}-\sigma_{33}=\lambda_1\frac{\partial\hat{W}}{\partial\lambda_1} \qquad \sigma_{22}-\sigma_{33}=\lambda_2\frac{\partial\hat{W}}{\partial\lambda_2} \qquad \text{as in isotropy}$$

These equations are applicable to the extension and inflation of a tube (artery)

$$1 \, o \, \theta \quad 2 \, o \, z \quad 3 \, o \, r \quad {
m cylindrical polars}$$

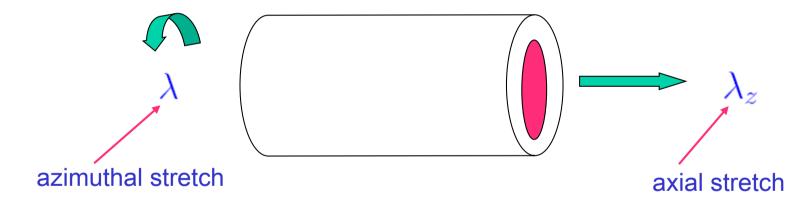


#### Extension-inflation of a tube

### Reference geometry

$$A \le R \le B$$
  $0 \le \Theta \le 2\pi$   $0 \le Z \le L$ 

$$(R,\Theta,Z) \quad \rightarrow \quad (r,\theta,z) \qquad ext{ cylindrical polars}$$



#### **Deformation**

$$r^{2} - a^{2} = \lambda_{z}^{-1}(R^{2} - A^{2}) \quad \theta = \Theta \quad z = \lambda_{z}Z$$



### Principal stretches

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{r}{R} = \lambda \quad \lambda_2 = \lambda_z \quad \lambda_3 = \lambda^{-1} \lambda_z^{-1}$$
 azimuthal axial radial

Strain energy  $\hat{W}(\lambda,\lambda_z,arphi)$ 

Forms of  $\hat{W}$  and  $\varphi$  may be different for different layers

$$\sigma_{\theta\theta} - \sigma_{rr} = \lambda \frac{\partial \hat{W}}{\partial \lambda}$$
  $\sigma_{zz} - \sigma_{rr} = \lambda_z \frac{\partial \hat{W}}{\partial \lambda_z}$ 

Equilibrium

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{rr}}{\mathrm{d}r} + \frac{1}{r}(\sigma_{rr} - \sigma_{\theta\theta}) = 0$$



**Pressure** 

$$P = \int_{a}^{b} \lambda \hat{W}_{\lambda} \frac{\mathrm{d}r}{r}$$

**Axial load** 

$$N = 2\pi \int_{a}^{b} \sigma_{zz} r \mathrm{d}r$$

Illustrative strain energy (Holzapfel, Gasser, Ogden, J. Elasticity, 2000)

$$\sigma = -p \mathbf{I} + 2W_1 \mathbf{B} + 2W_2 (I_1 \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B}^2)$$

$$+ 2W_4 \mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m} + 2W_5 (\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{Bm} + \mathbf{Bm} \otimes \mathbf{m})$$

$$+ 2W_6 \mathbf{m}' \otimes \mathbf{m}' + 2W_7 (\mathbf{m}' \otimes \mathbf{Bm}' + \mathbf{Bm}' \otimes \mathbf{m}')$$

$$+ W_8 (\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m}' + \mathbf{m}' \otimes \mathbf{m})$$



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$$+ 2W_6\mathbf{m}' \otimes \mathbf{m}'$$



### Specifically

$$W = W_{
m iso} + W_{
m aniso} \ {
m matrix} \ {
m fibres}$$

with

$$W_{\rm iso} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_1 (I_1 - 3) \qquad \text{neo-Hookean}$$

$$W_{\text{aniso}} = \frac{\mu_2}{2\mu_3} \left\{ \exp\left[\mu_3 (I_4 - 1)^2\right] + \exp\left[\mu_3 (I_6 - 1)^2\right] - 2 \right\}$$

$$I_4 = \mathbf{M} \cdot (\mathbf{CM})$$
  $I_6 = \mathbf{M}' \cdot (\mathbf{CM}')$ 

Material constants (positive)  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3$ 

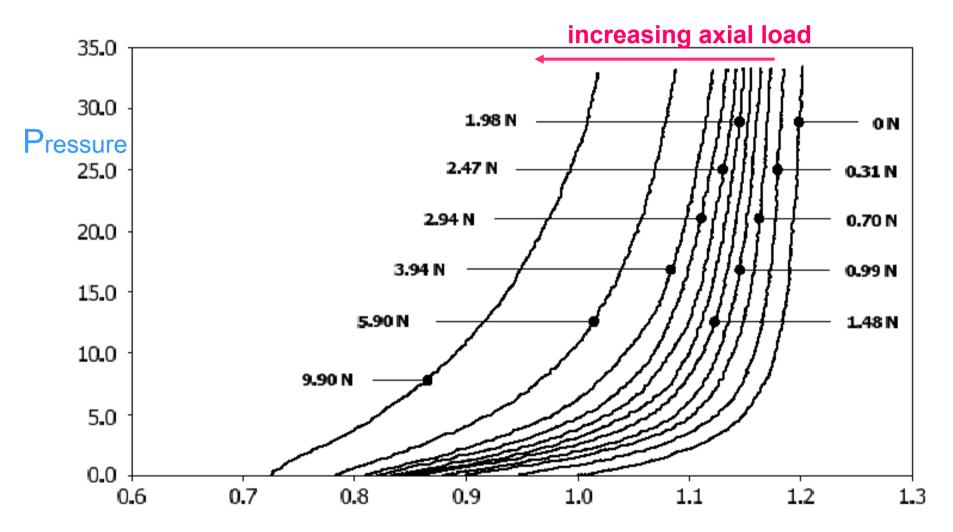
$$W_{
m aniso}$$
 only active if  $I_4>1~{
m or}~I_6>1$ 



# Fits the data well for the overall response of an intact arterial segment



## Typical data for a short arterial length



Circumferential stretch (radius)

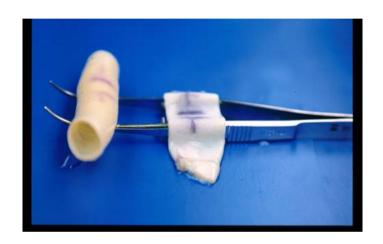


### However!

# The behaviours of the separate layers are very different



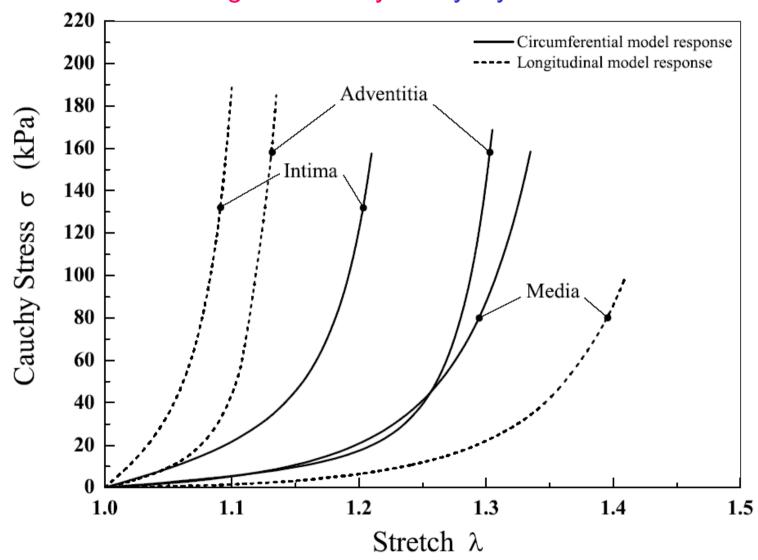
# Stiffness of Media and Adventitia Compared



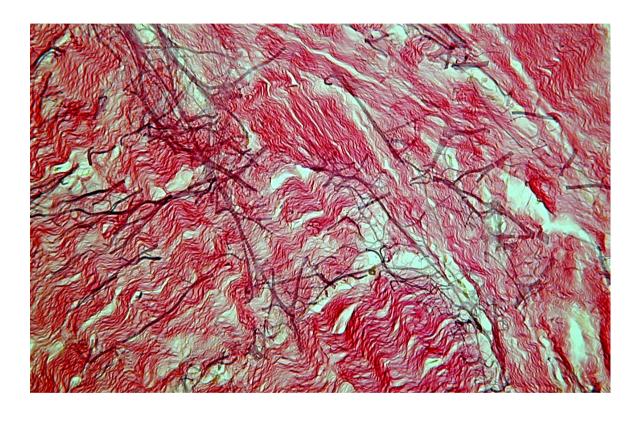




# From Holzapfel, Sommer, Regitnig 2004 – mean data for aged coronary artery layers



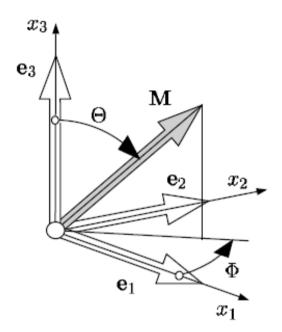




Collagen fibres in an iliac artery (adventitia)



### **Description of distributed fibre orientations**



 $\mathbf{M} = \sin\Theta\cos\Phi\,\mathbf{e}_1 + \sin\Theta\sin\Phi\,\mathbf{e}_2 + \cos\Theta\,\mathbf{e}_3$ 

Orientation density distribution  $~
ho(\mathbf{M})~~
ho(-\mathbf{M})=
ho(\mathbf{M})$ 

Normalized  $\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\omega} \rho(\mathbf{M}) d\omega = 1$ 



#### Generalized structure tensor

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\omega} \rho(\mathbf{M}) \mathbf{M} \otimes \mathbf{M} d\omega \longrightarrow \alpha_{ij} \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j$$

Transversely isotropic distribution

$$\rho(\mathbf{M}) \longrightarrow \rho(\Theta)$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \kappa \mathbf{I} + (1 - 3\kappa)\mathbf{e}_3 \otimes \mathbf{e}_3$$

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\pi} \rho(\Theta) \sin^3 \Theta d\Theta$$

mean fibre direction

Parameter calculated from given  $\ 
ho(\Theta)$ 

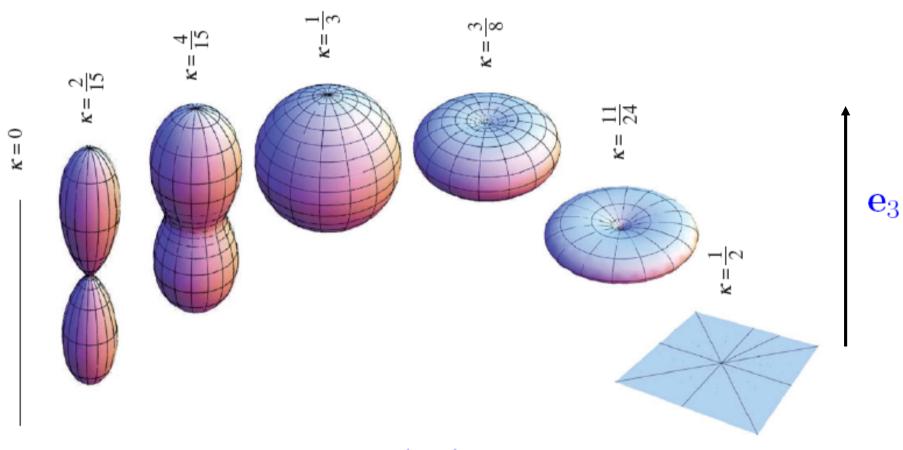
or treated as a phenomenological parameter

$$\kappa = 1/3 \longrightarrow \text{isotropy}$$

$$\kappa = 0$$
 transverse isotropy no fibre dispersion



## Fibre orientation distribution – illustration



Plot of  $ho(\mathbf{M})\mathbf{M}$ 



#### Deformation invariant based on

now the mean direction

$$\mathbf{H} = \kappa \mathbf{I} + (1 - 3\kappa) \mathbf{M} \otimes \mathbf{M}$$

$$K \equiv \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{HC}) = \kappa \underbrace{\operatorname{tr}\mathbf{C}}_{I_1} + (1 - 3\kappa) \underbrace{\mathbf{M} \cdot (\mathbf{CM})}_{I_4}$$

$$K' = \kappa \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{C} + (1 - 3\kappa) \mathbf{M}' \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{M}')$$

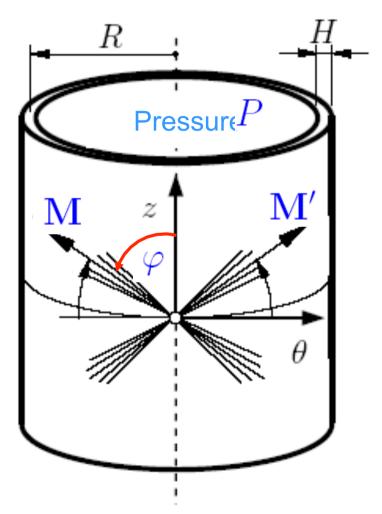
$$I_4 \longrightarrow K$$
  $I_6 \longrightarrow K'$ 

$$W = \frac{1}{2}\mu_1(I_1 - 3) + \frac{\mu_2}{2\mu_3} \left\{ \exp[\mu_3(K - 1)^2] + \exp[\mu_3(K' - 1)^2] - 2 \right\}$$

material constants



## **Application to a thin-walled tube**



$$W \longrightarrow \hat{W}(\lambda, \lambda_z)$$

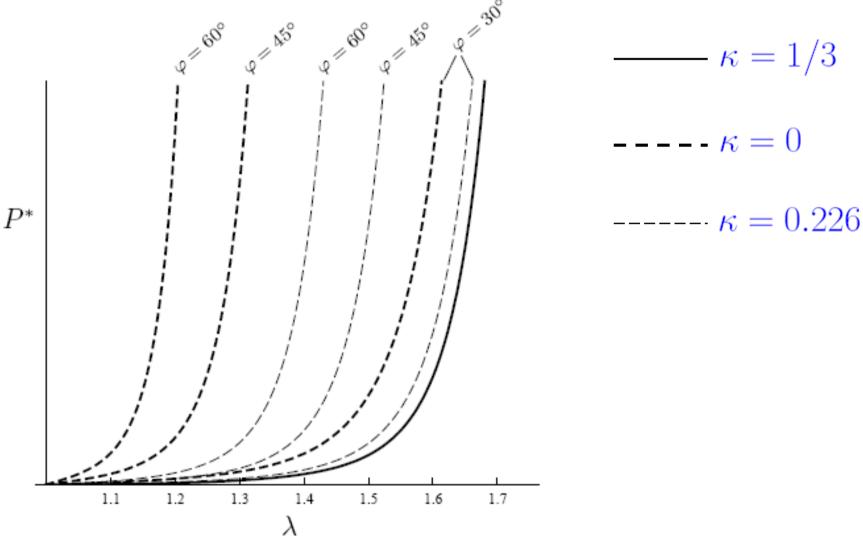
$$P^* \equiv \frac{PR}{H} = \lambda^{-1} \lambda_z^{-1} \frac{\partial \hat{W}}{\partial \lambda}$$

reduced axial load

$$F^* \equiv \frac{F}{2\pi RH} = \frac{\partial \hat{W}}{\partial \lambda_z} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 P^*$$

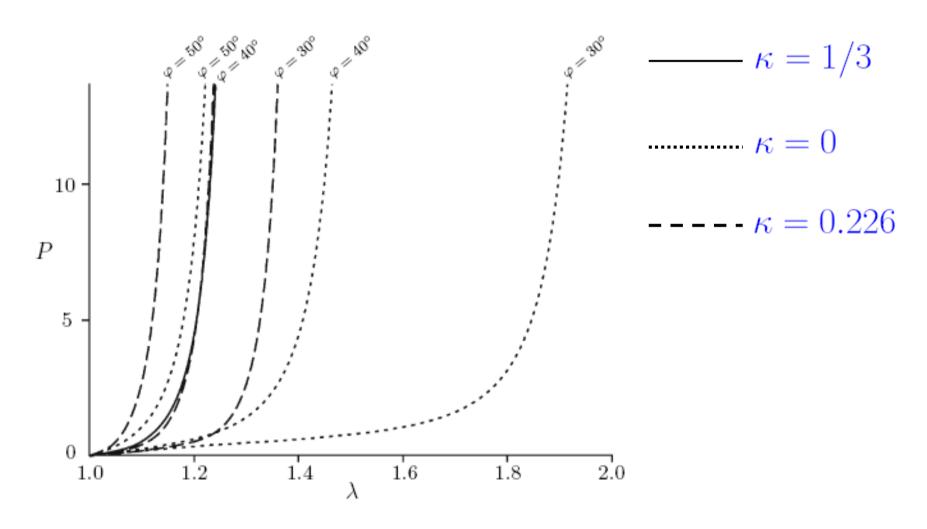


# Pressure vs circumferential stretch for a tube with $\lambda_z=1$



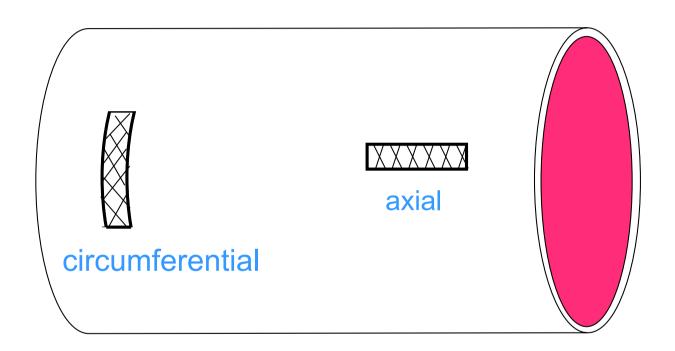


# Pressure vs circumferential stretch for a tube with F=0 (P in kPa)

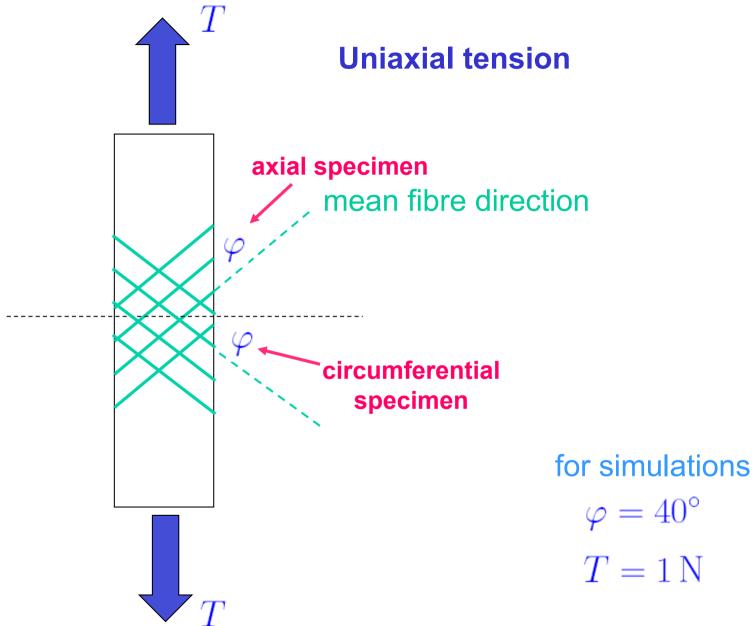




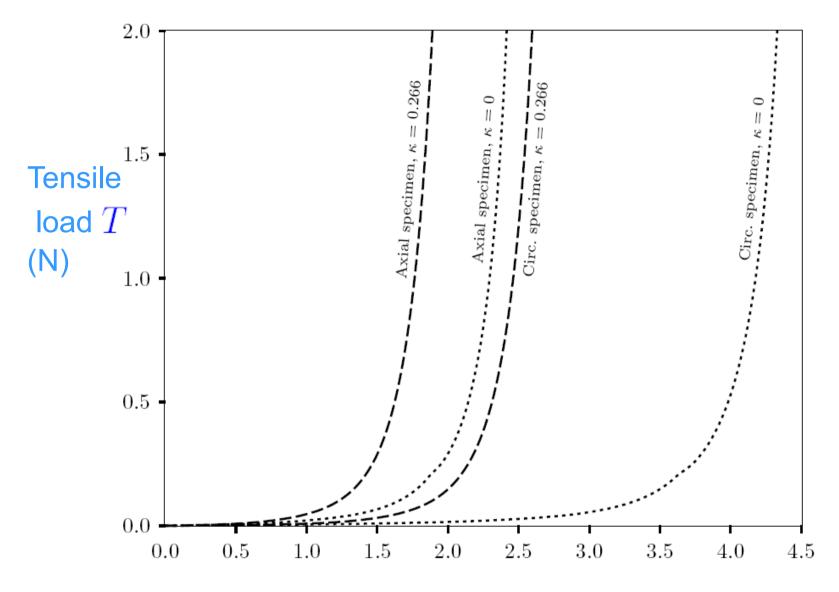
# Application to uniaxial tension of axial and circumferential strips















#### FE simulation – uniaxial tension No fibre Fibre dispersion dispersion $\kappa = 0.226$ Cauchy Cauchy stress [kPa] stress [kPa] 5.00E+02 6.00E+02 5.00E+02 7.00E+02 6.00E+02 8.00E+02 7.00E+02 9.00E+02 8.00E+02 1.00E+03 9.00E+02 1.10E+03 1.00E+03 1.20E+03 1.10E+03 1.30E+03 1.20E+03 1.30E+03 1.40E+03 1.40E+03 1.50E+03 1.50E+03



Circ. specimen

Circ. specimen

Axial specimen

Axial specimen

## Conclusion

In modelling the mechanics of soft tissue it is essential to account for the dispersion of collagen fibre directions

it has a substantial effect

Reference

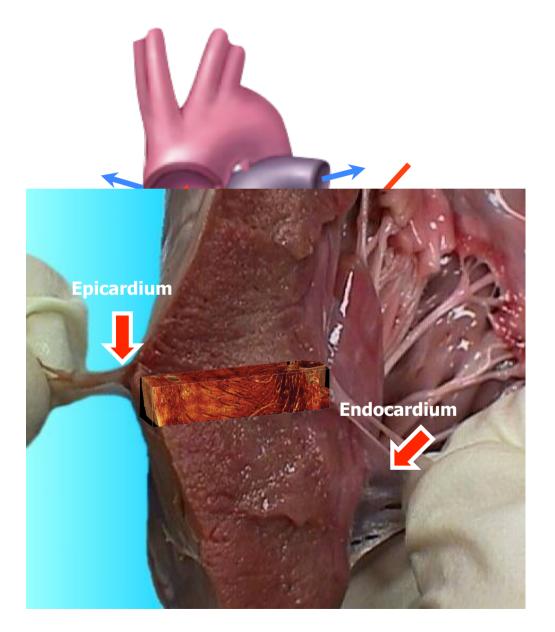
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## Structure and Modelling of the Myocardium



# **Anatomy of the Heart**

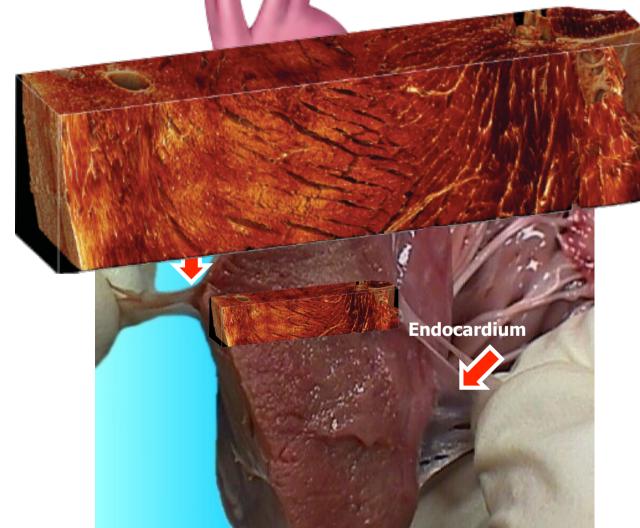




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# **Anatomy of the Heart**

Change of the 3D layered organization of myocytes through the wall thickness



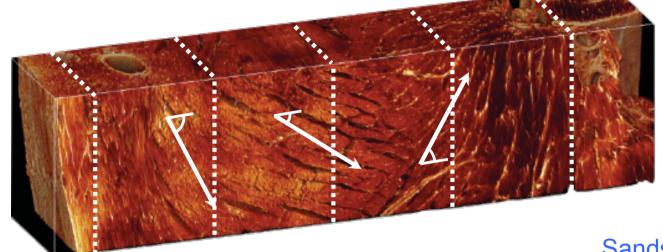
Endocardium (internal)



Epicardium (external)

## Structure of the Left Ventricle Wall

Change of the 3D layered organization of myocytes through the wall thickness

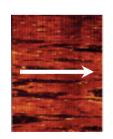


Endocardium (internal)

Sands et. al. (2005)













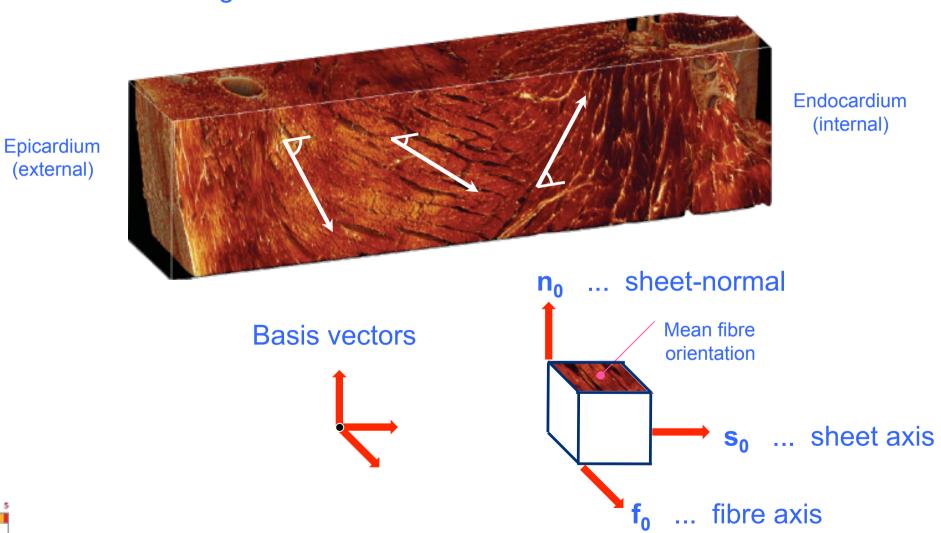
Epicardium (external)

Locally: three mutually orthogonal directions can be identified forming planes with distinct material responses

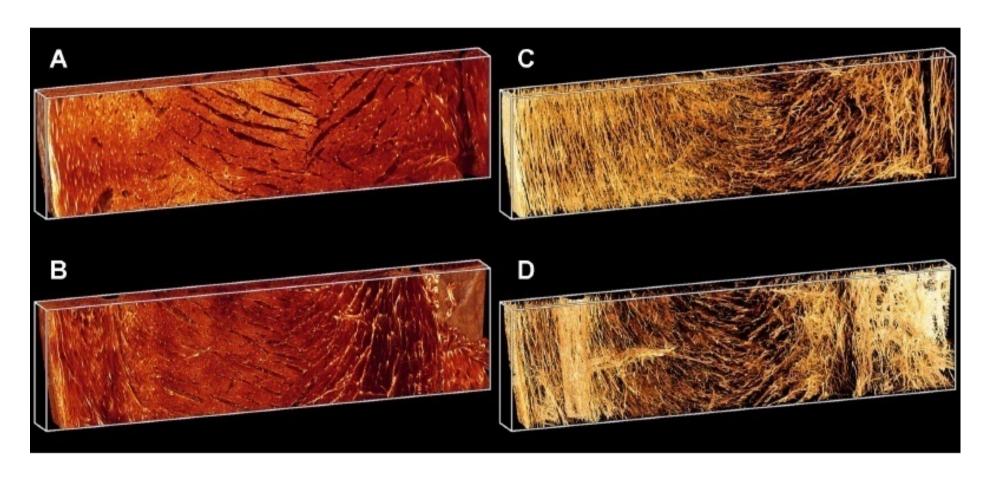
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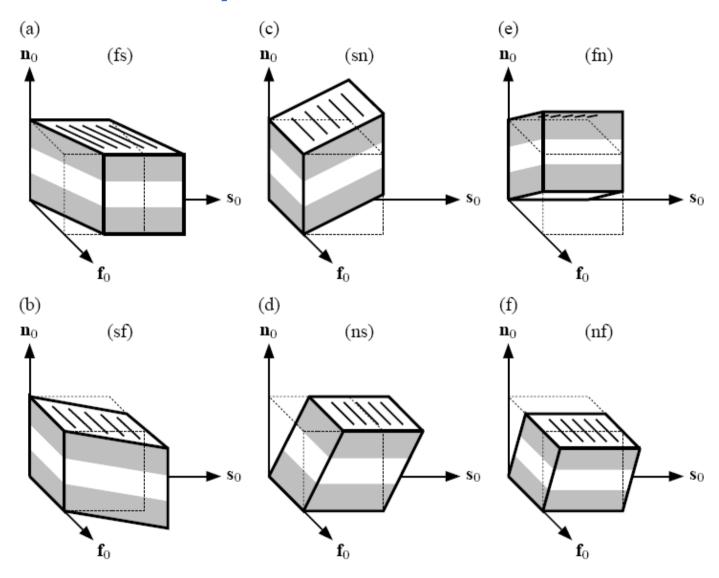
## An alternative view from Pope et al. (2008)



collagen fibres exposed



# **Simple Shear of a Cube**

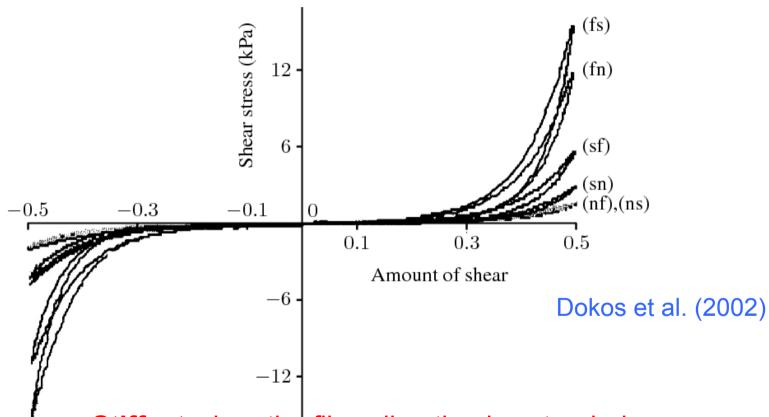




6 modes of simple shear

# **Mechanics of the Myocardium**

Simple shear tests on a cube of a typical myocardial specimen in the fs, fn and sn planes







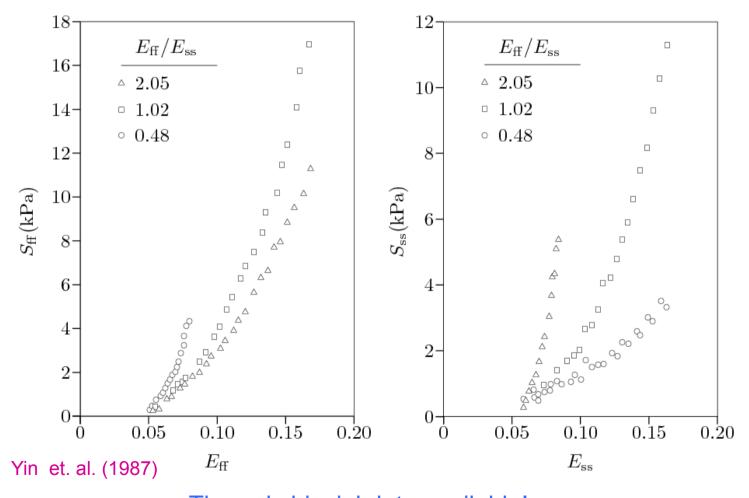
### Consequence

Within the context of (incompressible, nonlinear) elasticity theory, myocardium should be modelled as a non-homogenous, thick-walled, orthotropic, material



# **Mechanics of the Myocardium**

### Biaxial loading in the fs plane of canine left ventricle





The only biaxial data available! Limitations: e.g. no data in the low-strain region (0 - 0.05)

## Structurally Based Model

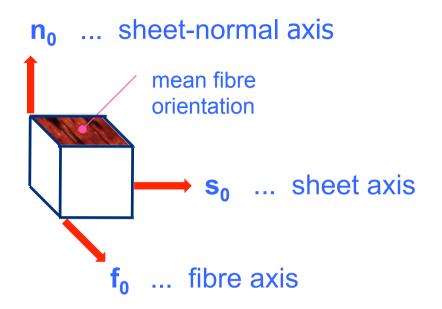
#### Define

$$I_{4\,\mathrm{f}} = \mathbf{f}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{f}_0)$$

$$I_{4\,\mathrm{s}} = \mathbf{s}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{s}_0)$$

$$I_{4\,\mathrm{n}} = \mathbf{n}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{n}_0)$$

$$\sum_{i=\mathrm{f,s,n}} I_{4\,i} = I_1$$



$$I_{8\,\mathrm{fs}} = I_{8\,\mathrm{sf}} = \mathbf{f}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{s}_0)$$

$$I_{8\,\mathrm{fn}} = I_{8\,\mathrm{nf}} = \mathbf{f}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{n}_0)$$

$$I_{8\,\mathrm{sn}} = I_{8\,\mathrm{ns}} = \mathbf{s}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{n}_0)$$
direction coupling invariants

$$I_{5 \, \mathrm{f}}, I_{5 \, \mathrm{s}}, I_{5 \, \mathrm{n}}$$

expressible in terms of the other invariants



# Structurally Based Model

#### **General framework**

compressible material: 7 independent invariants

$$I_1 \ I_2 \ I_{4\,\mathrm{f}} \ I_{4\,\mathrm{s}} \ I_{8\,\mathrm{fs}} \ I_{8\,\mathrm{fn}} \ I_{8\,\mathrm{ns}}$$

incompressible material: 6 independent invariants

$$I_1 / I_2 I_{4 \, \mathrm{f}} I_{4 \, \mathrm{s}} I_{8 \, \mathrm{fs}} I_{8 \, \mathrm{fn}}$$

#### **Cauchy stress tensor**

isotropic contribution

anisotropic contribution

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = 2\psi_1 \mathbf{B} - p\mathbf{I} + 2\psi_{4\,\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \otimes \mathbf{f} + 2\psi_{4\,\mathbf{s}} \mathbf{s} \otimes \mathbf{s} + \psi_{8\,\mathbf{f}\mathbf{s}} (\mathbf{f} \otimes \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{s} \otimes \mathbf{f})$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^{\mathrm{T}}$$

$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{f}_0$$

$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{f}_0 + \psi_{8 \, \text{fn}} (\mathbf{f} \otimes \mathbf{n} + \mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{f})$$

left Cauchy-Green tensor

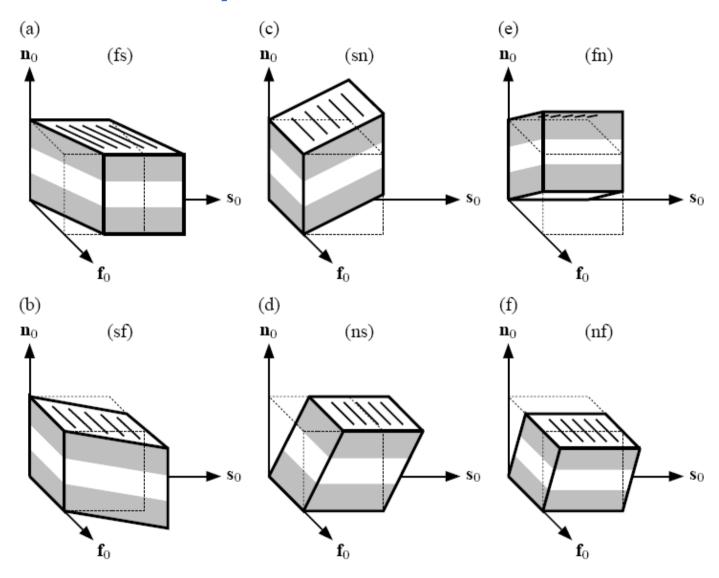
$$\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{s}_0$$



$$\psi_{4\,\mathrm{i}} = \partial\Psi/\partial I_{4\,\mathrm{i}},\, i=\mathrm{f,s}$$
  
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$$\Psi \equiv W$$

# **Simple Shear of a Cube**





6 modes of simple shear

## Simple Shear of a Cube

Shear stress versus amount of shear  $\gamma$  for the 6 modes:

(fs): 
$$\sigma_{\rm fs} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2 + \psi_{4\,\rm f})\gamma + \psi_{8\,\rm fs}$$

(fn): 
$$\sigma_{\text{fn}} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2 + \psi_{4 \text{ f}})\gamma + \psi_{8 \text{ fn}}$$

(sf): 
$$\sigma_{\rm fs} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2 + \psi_{4s})\gamma + \psi_{8fs}$$

(sn): 
$$\sigma_{\rm sn} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2 + \psi_{4\,\rm s})\gamma$$

(nf): 
$$\sigma_{\text{fn}} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2)\gamma + \psi_{8 \text{ fn}}$$

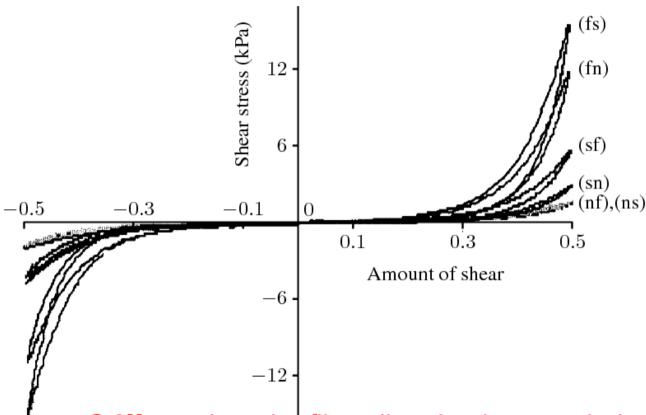
(ns): 
$$\sigma_{\rm sn} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2)\gamma$$

The modes in which the fibres are stretched are (fs) and (fn)



## Dokos et al. (2002) data

Simple shear tests on a cube of a typical myocardial specimen in the fs, fn and sn planes



Stiffest when the fibre direction is extended

Least stiff for normal direction

Intermediate stiffness for sheet direction



## Simple Shear of a Cube

Shear stress versus amount of shear for the 6 modes:

(fs): 
$$\sigma_{\text{fs}} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2 + \psi_{4f})\gamma + \psi_{8fs}$$

(fn): 
$$\sigma_{\text{fn}} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2 + \psi_{4f})\gamma + \psi_{8fn}$$

(sf): 
$$\sigma_{\rm fs} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2 + \psi_{4s})\gamma + \psi_{8fs}$$

(sn): 
$$\sigma_{\rm sn} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2 + \psi_{4\,\rm s})\gamma$$

(nf): 
$$\sigma_{\text{fn}} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2)\gamma + \psi_{8 \text{fn}}$$

(ns): 
$$\sigma_{\rm sn} = 2(\psi_1 + \psi_2)\gamma$$

The modes in which the fibres are stretched are (fs) and (fn)



# A Specific Strain-energy Function

$$\Psi(I_1, I_{4\,\mathrm{f}}, I_{4\,\mathrm{s}}, I_{8\,\mathrm{fs}})$$
  $\longrightarrow$ 

$$\Psi = \frac{a}{2b} \exp[b(I_1 - 3)]$$

+ 
$$\sum_{i=f,s} \frac{a_i}{2b_i} \left\{ \exp[b_i(I_{4i} - 1)^2] - 1 \right\}$$

$$+\frac{a_{\rm fs}}{2b_{\rm fs}}\left[\exp(b_{\rm fs}I_{8\,{\rm fs}}^2)-1\right]$$

isotropic term

transversely isotropic terms

$$I_{4 \, \text{f}} > 1$$
  $I_{4 \, \text{s}} > 1$ 

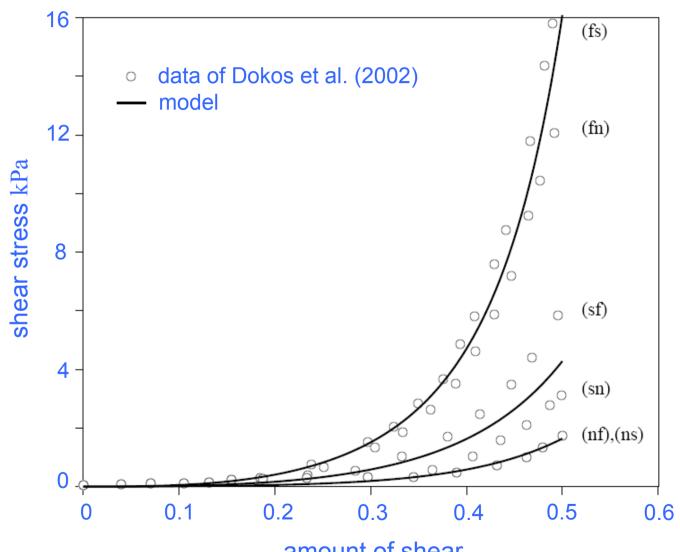
orthotropic term
discriminates shear behaviour

8 constants a b  $a_{\mathrm{f}}$   $a_{\mathrm{s}}$   $b_{\mathrm{f}}$   $b_{\mathrm{s}}$   $a_{\mathrm{fs}}$   $b_{\mathrm{fs}}$ 



# Simple Shear of a Cube

## Fit without $I_{8\,\mathrm{fs}}$ term



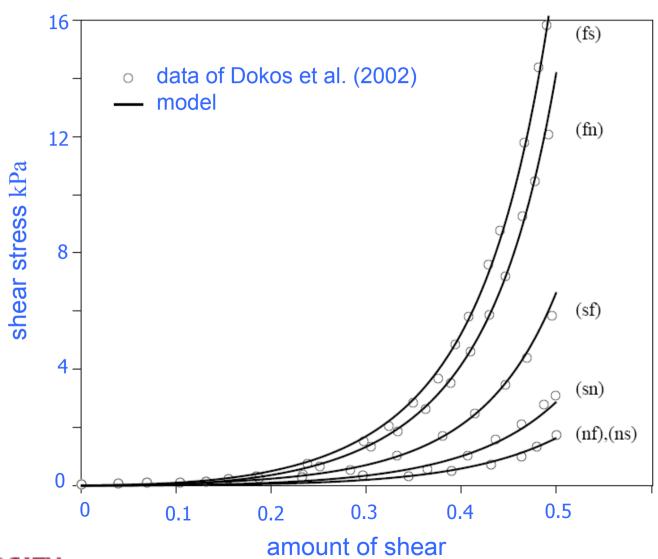


amount of shear

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# Simple Shear of a Cube

## Fit with $I_{8\,\mathrm{fs}}$ term





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Health warning

Much more data needed

