Applications of Burzyński failure criteria – I. Isotropic materials with asymmetry of elastic range

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Abstract
The main idea of energy-based hypothesis of material effort proposed by Burzyński is briefly presented and the resulting failure criteria are discussed. Some examples, based on the own studies, which depict applications of these criteria are discussed and visualizations of limit surfaces in the space of principal stresses are presented.

1. INTRODUCTION

The aim of the paper is to present an energy-based approach to failure criteria for materials, which reveal asymmetry in failure characteristics. It means that in the results of tension and compression tests there is observed a difference in the values of elastic, yield or strength limits. The energy-based hypothesis of material effort proposed originally by W. Burzyński is presented (BURZYŃSKI [1928], [1929a], [1929b]) and the resulting failure criteria phrased for stress tensor components in an arbitrary Cartesian coordinate system or, in particular, with the use of principal stresses are discussed. As for new results own applications of Burzyński’s failure criteria for traditional and new materials are presented.

2. FAILURE CRITERIA BASED ON BURZYŃSKI HYPOTHESIS OF MATERIAL EFFORT FOR ISOTROPIC SOLIDS

WŁODZIMIERZ BURZYŃSKI [1928] not only summarized the contemporary knowledge about yield criteria but also presented a new idea how to determine the measure of material effort for materials which reveal difference in the failure strength (in particular: the elastic limit) for tension and compression. According to the original Burzyński’s hypothesis, the measure of material effort defining the limit of elastic range is a sum of the density of elastic energy of distortion and a part of density of elastic energy of volume change being a function of the state of stress and particular material properties. The mathematical formula corresponding to this statement reads:
\(\Phi_f + \eta \Phi_v = K\)

\[\eta = \omega + \frac{\delta}{3p}, \quad p = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3}{3}\]

where:

\[\Phi_f = \frac{1}{12G} \left[ (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 \right]\]

means the density of elastic energy of distortion, while:

\[\Phi_v = \frac{1-2\nu}{6E} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)^2 = \frac{1-2\nu}{12G(1+\nu)} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)^2\]

is the density of elastic energy of volume change. The constant \(K\) corresponds to the value of the density of elastic energy in a limit state, while \(\omega, \delta\) are material parameters dependent on the contribution of the density of elastic energy of volume change influenced by the mean stress \(p\). By the symbols \(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3\) are meant principal stresses and by: \(\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z\) - normal stresses in an arbitrary Cartesian coordinate system. By introducing the function \(\eta\) Burzyński took into account the experimentally based observation that the increase of the mean stress \(p\) results in the diminishing contribution of the elastic energy density of volume change \(\Phi_v\) in the measure of material effort. The above formulation of the measure of material effort is precise for the limit states of linear elasticity, typical for brittle behaviour of materials. When the limit state is related with the lost of material strength preceded by certain plastic strain, then the measure of material effort \(\Phi_v\) in equation (1) loses its foundations of linear elasticity, because in this case inelastic states of material may occur. This is the reason why W. Burzyński suggested to treat functions \(\Phi_f\) i \(\Phi_v\) in equation (1) as general strain functions and he emphasized this fact by the word “quasi-energies” of strain.

In the discussed measure of material effort (1) there are introduced three material parameters: \(\omega, \delta, K\). The final form of failure hypothesis (2.1) reads (BURZYŃSKI [1928], [1929a]):

\[\frac{1}{3} \sigma_j^2 + \frac{1-2\nu}{(1+\nu)} \omega p^2 + \frac{1-2\nu}{(1+\nu)} \delta p = 4GK,\]

where \(\sigma_j^2 = 12G\Phi_f\). The idea of Burzyński’s derivation lies in a particular conversion of variables. The triplet \((\omega, \delta, K)\) is substituted by another one, which results from commonly performed strength tests: elastic (plastic) limit in uniaxial tension - \(k_t\); uniaxial compression - \(k_c\), and torsion - \(k_s\): \((\omega, \delta, K) \rightarrow (k_t, k_c, k_s)\) (cf. BURZYŃSKI [1928], p. 112).
Due to the mentioned above substitution, (2.2) transforms into the form discussed also in (ŻYCZKOWSKI [1999]):

\[
\frac{k_i k_i}{3k_s^2} \sigma_s^2 + \left( 9 - \frac{3k_i k_i}{k_s^2} \right) p^2 + 3(k_i - k_s) p - k_i k_s = 0,
\]

where \( \sigma_s^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_f^2 \) is an equivalent stress used in the theory of plasticity. According to the discussion conducted in (BURZYŃSKI [1928]) and (ŻYCZKOWSKI [1999]) the equation (3.3) in the space of principal stresses, depending on the relations among material constants \((k_i, k_c, k_s)\), describes the surfaces: an ellipsoid for \( 3k_s^2 k_c k_s \) or a hyperboloid for \( 3k_s^2 (k_c k_s) \), which, however, does not have any practical application. W. Burzyński also noticed that there occur interesting cases if these three material constants are particularly connected, for example if they are bound together as the geometrical average: \( \sqrt[3]{k_i} = \sqrt{k_c k_s} \), then (3) takes the form (BURZYŃSKI [1928]):

\[
\sigma_s^2 + 3(k_i - k_s) p - k_i k_s = 0.
\]

The above equation presents the formula of a paraboloid of revolution in the space of principal stresses. The original hypothesis of W. Burzyński (BURZYŃSKI [1928]) and his comprehensive phenomenological theory of material effort was forgotten and repeatedly ‘rediscovered’ later by several authors, often in parts and without the clarity of the in depth analysis and physical foundations of Burzyński’s work. Discussion of other works containing the latter equation is presented in (ŻYCZKOWSKI [1981], [1999]). It is worthwhile mentioning that the discussed above paraboloid yield condition finds recently applications also in viscoplastic modeling for metal matrix composites, (ZHANG et al. [2008]). The latter authors, as well as many others, related this condition with the names of R. von Mises and F. Schleicher, although none of these researchers derived the relation (2.4) (cf. PĘCHERSKI [2008] for the discussion of a historical background of the studied paraboloid criterion).

3. RECENT APPLICATIONS OF THE BURZYŃSKI FAILURE CRITERIA

Defining the strength differential factor \( \kappa = \frac{k_c}{k_i} \) allows to determine particular cases of the criterion, for example: for \( \kappa = 1 \) there is \( k_c = k_i = k \) and then \( k_s = \frac{k}{\sqrt[3]{3}} \), which suits the condition assumed in the Huber-Mises-Hencky criterion. After suitable transformation (2.3) takes the form expressed by stress tensor components in the system of principal axes:
\[
\sigma_i^2 + \sigma_j^2 + \sigma_k^2 - 2 \left( \frac{k_i k_j}{2 k_i^2} - 1 \right) \left( \sigma_i \sigma_j + \sigma_j \sigma_k + \sigma_k \sigma_i \right) + (k_i - k_j) (\sigma_i + \sigma_j + \sigma_k) = k_i k_j
\]

If \( \sigma_2 = 0 \), there is obtained a plane state of stress, for which:

\[
(\sigma_i^2 + \sigma_j^2) - 2 \left( \frac{k_i k_j}{2 k_i^2} - 1 \right) \sigma_i \sigma_j + (k_i - k_j) (\sigma_i + \sigma_j) = k_i k_j
\]

In the space of principal stresses for \( \sqrt{3} k_i = \sqrt{k_\sigma k_c} \) the graphical representation of the criterion (2.3) is a paraboloid of revolution with the axis of symmetry given by the axis of hydrostatic compression: \( \sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_3 \). In the plane state of stress for \( \sigma_2 = 0 \) the graphical representation of the Burzyński hypothesis is an ellipse. The centre of symmetry of such an ellipse is defined by \( S_e = \left( \frac{k_i^2 (k_i - k_j)}{k_i k_j - 4 k_i^2}, \frac{k_j^2 (k_j - k_i)}{k_i k_j - 4 k_i^2} \right) \) and the axes of symmetry are given by:

\[
\sigma_3 = \sigma_1, \quad \sigma_3 = -\frac{2 k_i^2 (k_i - k_j)}{k_i k_j - 4 k_i^2} - 2 \sigma_1
\]

If \( k_c = k_\sigma \), then the centre of the ellipse is given by the beginning of the coordinate system and the Burzyński hypothesis is equal to the Huber hypothesis; in this case the graphical representation of the yield surface is a cylinder of revolution with the axis of symmetry: \( \sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_3 \).

In (FRAŚ, PĘCHERSKI [2010]) the Burzyński material effort hypothesis was specified for some classical experimental data discussed by THEOCARIS, [1995] and published in historical papers of LODE [1925] as well as by TAYLOR and QUINNEY [1931]. This paper is devoted for the applications of the Burzyński failure criteria for own experimental data obtained in the recent experimental investigations of mechanical properties of polycarbonate and the results related with the current studies of metal-ceramic composites [4], [5], [7].

The polycarbonate samples were investigated for tension, compression and shear performed with use of a double shear specimen. The pictures of the sample before and after the shear test are shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 1. The sample 12x12x40 [mm] with the shearing zone 6x6x2 [mm] prepared for a double shear test before and after deformation.
The numerical analysis of the shear process led to the correction accounting for the geometry of the double shear specimen. As a result, the following data were obtained: $k_e = 70\, MPa$, $k_i = 64\, MPa$, $k_s = 39.6\, MPa$. Application of the formula (3.2) shows that the Burzyński yield criterion fits very well with the experimental data for the investigated polycarbonate. It is depicted in Fig.2. and Fig. 3., where the graphical representations of Burzyński yield criterion are shown.

The ellipse of the plane state of stress.
The experimental data for yield strength in tension, compression and shear.

Fig. 2. Graphical representation of Burzyński yield criterion for the polycarbonate according to the own experimental investigations.

Fig. 3. The arm of the paraboloid being the representation of the Burzyński yield criterion for the polycarbonate in the surface $(\sigma_e, p)$.
Graphical representation of the limit function presented in the report (Fraś T., Pęcherski R.B. [2009]) for the metal matrix composites (MMC), in particular alumina alloy 6061 reinforced by zircon and corundum particles: 6061+2Zr+20Al_2O_3 (Dutkiewicz J., [2009]) is presented below, Fig. 4. and Fig. 5.

![Graphical representation of the limit function](image)

The ellipse of the plane state of stress. The experimental data are marked with solid points \( k_x = 720.5 \text{MPa}, k_y = 655 \text{MPa} \) and the foreseen from the criterion limit shear strength \( k_y = 39.6 \text{MPa} \) is marked with an open circle.

**Fig. 4.** Graphical representation of the Burzyński yield criterion for the MMC composite 6061+2Zr+20Al_2O_3.

![Graphical representation of the Burzyński yield criterion](image)

**Fig. 5.** A half parabola being the representation of the Burzyński failure criterion for the MMC composite 6061+2Zr+20Al_2O_3 in the coordinates \((\sigma_x, p)\).

Further experimental tests are necessary to verify the presented above paraboloid failure criterion. At least an independent test delivering information about the strength in shear \( k_y \).
could be helpful by that. The specified formula for paraboloid failure surface can be applied as plastic potential in calculations of plastic deformation of metallic solids, which reveal the stress differential effect, cf. e.g. [14] or [15]. In such a case, the information how the ratio \( \kappa = \frac{k_c}{k_t} \) changes in strain is necessary. In the numerical simulations of some examples of plastic deformation processes presented in [15] a constant value of \( \kappa \) was assumed. However, the analysis of experimental data of the particle-reinforced metal matrix composite (PRMMC) - Al-47Al₂O₃ in [14] shows that the ratio \( \kappa = \frac{k_c}{k_t} \) increases in strain.

Another particle-reinforced metal matrix composite 75%Cr - 25% Al₂O₃ (M) was investigated experimentally (Z. KOWALEWSKI, [2009]). The tests of compression and tension were perfomed. The cylindrical specimens of the diameter 12 mm and the height of 10 mm, Fig. 6., were subjected to the compression tests with use of the strength machine MTS810 of the loading range reaching 250 kN. The corresponding characteristics are given in the Table 1.

![Deformed Cylindrical Specimen](image)

**Fig. 6. Picture of the deformed cylindrical specimen.**

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<td>1. 75%Cr-25% Al₂O₃(M)</td>
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Table 1. Material characteristics obtained in the compression test.

During the compression of the cylindrical specimen the local failure appeared. The magnified picture (x500) of the surface with the failure sites with use scanning microscopy is shown in Fig. 7. The tensile test was performed with use of the specimens shown in Fig. 8. The plane
tensile specimens were cut out from the roller of the diameter 80\textit{mm} and the thickness of 5 \textit{mm}. In the Table 2. the measured material parameters are given.

![Image of specimen surface](image1)

**Fig. 7.** The picture of the surface of the specimen revealing the sites of failure.

![Image of specimen shape and dimensions](image2)

**Fig. 8.** The shape and dimensions of the tensile specimen.

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Table 1. Material characteristics obtained in the tensile test.

Graphical representation of the limit function for the particle-reinforced metal matrix composite 75\%Cr - 25\% Al$_2$O$_3$ (M) is presented below, Fig. 4. and Fig. 5.
Fig. 9. Graphical representation of the Burzyński yield criterion for the MMC composite 75%Cr - 25% Al₂O₃ (M).

Fig. 10. A half parabola being the representation of the Burzyński failure criterion for the MMC composite 75%Cr - 25% Al₂O₃ (M) in the coordinates (σₑ, p).

4. CONCLUSIONS

It is worthy of emphasizing that W. Burzyński proposed the hypothesis which was universal in the sense of energy. Therefore, it can be applied not only to isotropic materials. It is also applicable to different kinds of anisotropic solids revealing, in particular, characteristic asymmetry of elastic range. W. Burzyński presented also for the first time the energetic approach to determine the failure criteria for a certain class of orthotropic materials (BURZYŃSKI [1928]). The issue of yielding condition of orthotropic materials raised by Burzyński is worth further studies because of its promising possibilities of application for modern materials.

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