

Exercise 1: The neo-Hookean model predicts that the internal pressure p_i in a balloon is given by,

$$p_i(\lambda) = 4C_{10} \frac{e_i}{R} \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda^6} \right)$$

Here C_{10} is a constant, $\lambda = r / R$ is the stretch ratio and e_i, R are the initial thickness and radius of the balloon. Find the stretch ratio corresponding to maximum pressure in the balloon.

Solution:

The pressure in the inflated balloon is given by equation (B6.102)

$$p_i(\lambda) = 4C_{10} \frac{e_i}{R} \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda^6} \right) .$$

The maximum pressure is obtained when the derivative of p with respect to the stretch ratio λ vanishes

$$\frac{\partial p_i(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} = 0 .$$

One has

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda^7} \right) = -\frac{1}{\lambda^2} + \frac{7}{\lambda^8} = 0$$

and thus

$$\lambda^6 = 7 \Rightarrow \lambda = \sqrt[6]{7} = 1.383$$

$$p_i^{max} = 4C_{10} \frac{e_i}{R} \frac{1}{1.383} \left(1 - \frac{1}{7} \right) = 2.479 \frac{C_{10} e_i}{R} .$$

Exercise 2: A general constitutive relation in non-linear elasticity (for incompressible materials) proposed by Ogden, is,

$$\phi(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\mu_i}{\alpha_i} (\lambda_1^{\alpha_i} + \lambda_2^{\alpha_i} + \lambda_3^{\alpha_i} - 3) \quad (a)$$

where α_i, μ_i are parameters of the model and N is the number of terms considered in the function. It is chosen according to the experimental data. Show that this model,

(1) reduces to Neo-Hookean model when, $N = 1$, $\alpha_1 = 2$, $\mu_1 / 2 = C_{10}$ and

(2) reduces Mooney-Rivlin model when

$$N = 2, \quad \alpha_1 = 2, \quad \alpha_2 = -2, \quad \mu_1 / 2 = C_{10}, \quad -\mu_2 / 2 = C_{01} .$$

Solution:

(1) For $N=1$ (a) reduces to ,

$$\Phi = \frac{\mu_1}{\alpha_1} (\lambda_1^{\alpha_1} + \lambda_2^{\alpha_1} + \lambda_3^{\alpha_1} - 3) .$$

Introducing the given values of the parameters and replacing $\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 = I_1$, we obtain,

$$\Phi = C_{10} (\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 - 3) = C_{10} (I_1 - 3) .$$

(2) For $N = 2$, the function (a) takes the form

$$\Phi = \frac{\mu_1}{\alpha_1} (\lambda_1^{\alpha_1} + \lambda_2^{\alpha_1} + \lambda_3^{\alpha_1} - 3) + \frac{\mu_2}{\alpha_2} (\lambda_1^{\alpha_2} + \lambda_2^{\alpha_2} + \lambda_3^{\alpha_2} - 3) .$$

Introducing the given values for the parameters, we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi &= C_{10} (\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 - 3) + C_{01} (\lambda_1^{-2} + \lambda_2^{-2} + \lambda_3^{-2} - 3) \\ \Phi &= C_{10} (\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 - 3) + C_{01} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_2^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_3^2} - 3 \right) . \\ &= C_{10} (I_1 - 3) + C_{01} \frac{1}{\lambda_1^2 \lambda_2^2 \lambda_3^2} (\lambda_2^2 \lambda_3^2 + \lambda_1^2 \lambda_3^2 + \lambda_1^2 \lambda_2^2 - 3) \end{aligned}$$

Taking into account the relations of the invariants and stretch ratios

$$I_1 = \lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2, \quad I_2 = \lambda_1^2 \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_2^2 \lambda_3^2 + \lambda_3^2 \lambda_1^2, \quad I_3 = \lambda_1^2 \lambda_2^2 \lambda_3^2$$

and considering incompressibility $I_3 = \lambda_1^2 \lambda_2^2 \lambda_3^2 = 1$ we have,

$$\Phi = C_{10} (I_1 - 3) + C_{01} (I_2 - 3) .$$