

# Integration of 3D GTN model for Abaqus UMAT and VUMAT

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## 1 Nomenclature

Italic is used for scalars:  $g$ ,  $\Phi$ ,  $K$ . Bold maths is used for rank 2 tensors:  $\mathbf{I}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ . Script is used for rank 4 tensor:  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\mathcal{J}^{\text{sym}}$ .

‘.’ denotes dot product, single contraction:  $\mathbf{T} = \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} \iff T_j^i = \sigma_{ij} n_i$  (surface traction).

‘:’ denotes double product, double contraction:  $\mathbf{S} : \mathbf{S} = S_{ij} S_{ij}$ .

‘ $\otimes$ ’ denotes tensor product:  $\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{I} = \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl}$ .

## Latin

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| $A$               | void nucleation parameter  |
| $c_{\alpha\beta}$ | matrix of coefficients, $c_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - \partial h_\alpha / \partial H_\beta$                                     |
| $D$               | the linearisation moduli   |
| $f, f_c, f_f$     | void volume fraction; critical, and at fracture  |
| $f^*$             | bilinear function for void coalescence simulation  |
| $f_u^*$           | value of $f^*$ at zero stress  |
| $f_N$             | fraction of void nucleating particles  |
| $G$               | shear modulus  |
| $g$               | flow potential   |
| $H_\alpha$        | scalar state variables, $\alpha = 1, \dots, m$   |
| $I$               | rank 2 identity tensor, $\delta_{ij}$  |
| $J$               | Jacobian matrix of partial derivatives   |
| $J$               | rank 4 identity tensor, $\delta_{ik}\delta_{jl}$   |
| $J_{sym}$         | symmetric rank 4 identity tensor, $\frac{1}{2}(\delta_{ik}\delta_{jl} + \delta_{il}\delta_{jk})$   |
| $K$               | compression modulus  |
| $M$               | plastic tangent tensor, part of the linearisation moduli   |
| $m$               | number of solution dependent state variables   |
| $n$               | normality tensor, $\mathbf{n} = \frac{3}{2q} \mathbf{S}$   |
| $q$               | von Mises equivalent stress, $q = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2} \mathbf{S} : \mathbf{S}} \rightarrow \partial q / \partial \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{n}$ |
| $p$               | pressure, $p = -\frac{1}{3} \boldsymbol{\sigma} : \mathbf{I} \rightarrow \partial p / \partial \boldsymbol{\sigma} = -\frac{1}{3} \mathbf{I}$    |
| $p^e$             | elastic predictor pressure, $p^e = -\frac{1}{3} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^e : \mathbf{I}$  |
| $q_1, q_2, q_3$   | GTN fitted model ‘material’ parameters   |
| $s_N$             | standard deviation of the nucleation strain distribution   |
| $S$               | stress deviator  |
| $S^e$             | elastic predictor deviator   |

## Greek

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| $\delta_{\alpha\beta}$ | square unit matrix $m \times m$   |
| $\epsilon$             | strain tensor   |
| $\epsilon^e$           | elastic strain tensor   |
| $\epsilon^p$           | plastic strain tensor, $\epsilon^p = \epsilon_q n + \frac{1}{3} \epsilon_p I$ |
| $\epsilon_p$           | volumetric strain   |
| $\epsilon_q$           | equivalent plastic strain   |
| $\epsilon_q^m$         | - equivalent plastic strain of the fully dense matrix                         |
| $\epsilon_N$           | mean of the nucleation strain distribution                                    |
| $\Lambda$              | plastic multiplier  |
| $\sigma$               | stress tensor, $\sigma = S - pI$  |
| $\sigma^e$             | elastic predictor, $\sigma^e = S^e - p^e I$                                   |
| $\sigma_0$             | flow stress of the fully dense matrix, $\sigma_0 = \sigma_0(\epsilon_q^m)$    |
| $\Phi$                 | yield function  |

## 2 General analysis

### 2.1 Introduction

This work closely follows [Beardsmore et al. \(2006\)](#); [Aravas \(1987\)](#). Important misprints in [Aravas \(1987\)](#) are summarised in Table 1. The summation convention is used for Latin and Greek indices.

| where  | printed  | must read  |
|--|--|--|
| Appendix I, expression for $A_{11}$ , third term             | $\frac{\partial H^\alpha}{\partial \epsilon_p}$        | $\frac{\partial H^\alpha}{\partial \Delta \epsilon_p}$ |
| Appendix I, expression for $A_{12}$ , second and third terms | $\frac{\partial H^\alpha}{\partial \Delta \epsilon_p}$ | $\frac{\partial H^\alpha}{\partial \Delta \epsilon_q}$ |
| Appendix I, expression for $A_{12}$ , third term             | $+ \Delta \epsilon_p ($                                | $+ \Delta \epsilon_q ($                                |
| Appendix II, expression for $A_{11}$                         | $+ \Delta \epsilon_p$                                  | $+ \Delta \epsilon_q$                                  |

Table 1: Misprints in [Aravas \(1987\)](#).

Finally  $\partial H^\alpha / \partial \Delta \epsilon_p$  and  $\partial H^\alpha / \partial \Delta \epsilon_q$  in [Aravas \(1987\)](#) must be understood as partial derivatives which take into account all implicit dependencies, i.e. derived from full differential. For this reason in this report the full differential notation is used instead:  $dH_\alpha / d\Delta \epsilon_p$  and  $dH_\alpha / d\Delta \epsilon_q$ .

## 2.2 Assumptions

### 2.2.1 Pressure-dependent plasticity

It is assumed that the yield function,  $\Phi$ , and the flow potential,  $g$ , are independent of the third stress invariant. Accordingly it is assumed that both  $\Phi$  and  $g$  are dependent on the first and the second stress invariants, represented by  $p$  and  $q$ , and on the limited number of scalar state variables,  $H_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha = 1, 2, \dots, m$ :

$$\Phi = \Phi(p, q, H_\alpha) \quad (2.1)$$

$$g = g(p, q, H_\alpha) \quad (2.2)$$

### 2.2.2 Associated flow rule

or associated plasticity or normality rule:

$$\dot{\epsilon}^p = \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial \sigma} \quad (2.3)$$

### 2.2.3 Strain rate decomposition

$$\dot{\epsilon} = \dot{\epsilon}^e + \dot{\epsilon}^p \quad (2.4)$$

### 2.2.4 Linear elasticity

$$\sigma = C : \epsilon^e \quad (2.5)$$

where

$$C = 2GJ^{\text{sym}} + \left( K - \frac{2}{3}G \right) I \otimes I \quad (2.6)$$

or, in index notation:

$$C_{ijkl} = G(\delta_{ik}\delta_{jl} + \delta_{il}\delta_{jk}) + \left( K - \frac{2}{3}G \right) \delta_{ij}\delta_{kl} \quad (2.7)$$

### 2.2.5 Evolution of state variables

$$\dot{H}_\alpha = h_\alpha(\dot{\epsilon}^p, \sigma, H_\beta) \quad (2.8)$$

## 2.3 Numerical integration

The aim is to calculate the new  $\sigma$  and update the state variables, given several values stored from the last increment.

From (2.5):

$$\sigma = \mathcal{C} : (\epsilon_t^e + \Delta\epsilon^e) = \mathcal{C} : (\epsilon_t^e + \Delta\epsilon - \Delta\epsilon^p) = \sigma^e - \mathcal{C} : \Delta\epsilon^p \quad (2.9)$$

or

$$\sigma = \sigma^e - \mathcal{C} : \left( \Delta\epsilon_q \mathbf{n} + \frac{1}{3} \Delta\epsilon_p \mathbf{I} \right) \quad (2.10)$$

where

$$\sigma^e \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{C} : (\epsilon_t^e + \Delta\epsilon) = \sigma_t + \mathcal{C} : \Delta\epsilon \quad (2.11)$$

is elastic predictor.

(2.2)→(2.3):

$$\dot{\epsilon}^p = \dot{\lambda} \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial \sigma} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \sigma} \right) = \dot{\lambda} \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} \mathbf{n} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} \mathbf{I} \right) \quad (2.12)$$

which shows that plastic strain deviator is  $\parallel$  to  $\mathbf{n}$ , or more precisely, it is equal to  $\epsilon_q \mathbf{n}$ . So:

$$\dot{\epsilon}_q = \dot{\lambda} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} \quad (2.13)$$

$$\dot{\epsilon}_p = -\dot{\lambda} \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} \quad (2.14)$$

(2.13)/(2.14):

$$\dot{\epsilon}_p \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} + \dot{\epsilon}_q \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} = 0 \quad (2.15)$$

(2.6)→(2.10):

$$\sigma = \sigma^e - \left( 2G\mathcal{J}^{\text{sym}} + \left( K - \frac{2}{3}G \right) \mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{I} \right) : \left( \Delta\epsilon_q \mathbf{n} + \frac{1}{3} \Delta\epsilon_p \mathbf{I} \right) \quad (2.16)$$

or

$$\sigma = \sigma^e - 2G\Delta\epsilon_q \mathbf{n} - \frac{2}{3}G\Delta\epsilon_p \mathbf{I} - \left( K - \frac{2}{3}G \right) \Delta\epsilon_p \mathbf{I} \quad (2.17)$$

or finally

$$\sigma = \sigma^e - 2G\Delta\epsilon_q \mathbf{n} - K\Delta\epsilon_p \mathbf{I} \quad (2.18)$$

Splitting into spherical and deviatoric parts:

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{S}^e - 2G\Delta\epsilon_q \mathbf{n} \quad (2.19)$$

$$p = p^e + K\Delta\varepsilon_p \quad (2.20)$$

(2.19) means  $\mathbf{S}^e \parallel \mathbf{n}$ , hence:

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{3}{2q^e} \mathbf{S}^e \quad (2.21)$$

(2.21)  $\rightarrow$  (2.19):

$$q = q^e - 3G\Delta\varepsilon_q \quad (2.22)$$

The full system includes (2.15), (2.1), (2.20), (2.22), (2.8). In finite difference form:

$$\Omega = \Delta\varepsilon_p \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} + \Delta\varepsilon_q \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} = 0 \quad (2.23)$$

$$\Phi(p, q, H_\alpha) = 0 \quad (2.24)$$

$$p = p^e + K\Delta\varepsilon_p \quad (2.25)$$

$$q = q^e - 3G\Delta\varepsilon_q \quad (2.26)$$

$$\Delta H_\alpha = h_\alpha (\Delta\varepsilon_p, \Delta\varepsilon_q, p, q, H_\beta) \quad (2.27)$$

Following (Beardmore et al., 2006) we solve the system (2.23), (2.24) and (2.27) simultaneously for  $\Delta\varepsilon_p$ ,  $\Delta\varepsilon_q$  and  $\Delta H_\alpha$ .

## 2.4 Linearisation moduli

This assumes backward Euler method. From (2.9):

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathcal{C} : (\boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t^p - \frac{1}{3}\Delta\varepsilon_p \mathbf{I} - \Delta\varepsilon_q \mathbf{n}) \quad (2.28)$$

$$\partial\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathcal{C} : \left( \partial\boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \frac{1}{3}\partial\Delta\varepsilon_p \mathbf{I} - \partial\Delta\varepsilon_q \mathbf{n} - \Delta\varepsilon_q \frac{\partial\mathbf{n}}{\partial\boldsymbol{\sigma}} : \partial\boldsymbol{\sigma} \right) \quad (2.29)$$

where it easy to show that:

$$\frac{\partial\mathbf{n}}{\partial\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = \frac{1}{q} \left( \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{J}^{\text{sym}} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{n} \right) \quad (2.30)$$

Now  $\partial\Delta\varepsilon_p$  and  $\partial\Delta\varepsilon_q$  in terms of  $\partial\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ .

Using (2.23):

$$\partial \left( \Delta\varepsilon_p \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} \right) + \partial \left( \Delta\varepsilon_q \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} \right) = 0 \quad (2.31)$$

or

$$\partial\Delta\varepsilon_p \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} + \Delta\varepsilon_p \partial \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} + \partial\Delta\varepsilon_q \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} + \Delta\varepsilon_q \partial \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} = 0 \quad (2.32)$$

where using (2.2):

$$\partial \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} = \left( \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial p} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \sigma} + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q^2} \frac{\partial q}{\partial \sigma} \right) : \partial \sigma + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial H_\alpha} \partial H_\alpha \quad (2.33)$$

and

$$\partial \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} = \left( \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p^2} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \sigma} + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial \sigma} \right) : \partial \sigma + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial H_\alpha} \partial H_\alpha \quad (2.34)$$

(2.33), (2.34)  $\rightarrow$  (2.32):

$$\begin{aligned} & \partial \Delta \varepsilon_p \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} + \Delta \varepsilon_p \left[ \left( -\frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial p} \mathbf{I} + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q^2} \mathbf{n} \right) : \partial \sigma + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial H_\alpha} \partial H_\alpha \right] \\ & + \partial \Delta \varepsilon_q \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} + \Delta \varepsilon_q \left[ \left( -\frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p^2} \mathbf{I} + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial q} \mathbf{n} \right) : \partial \sigma + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial H_\alpha} \partial H_\alpha \right] = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.35)$$

$\partial$ (2.24):

$$\left( -\frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial p} \mathbf{I} + \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial q} \mathbf{n} \right) : \partial \sigma + \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial H_\alpha} \partial H_\alpha = 0 \quad (2.36)$$

Since  $H_\alpha = H_\alpha^t + \Delta H_\alpha$ ,  $\partial \Delta H_\alpha = \partial H_\alpha$ . From (2.27):

$$\partial H_\alpha = \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_q} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_q + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_p} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_p + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial q} \partial q + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial p} \partial p + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial H_\beta} \partial H_\beta \quad (2.37)$$

or

$$\partial H_\alpha = \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_q} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_q + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_p} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_p + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial q} \mathbf{n} : \partial \sigma - \frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial p} \mathbf{I} : \partial \sigma + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial H_\beta} \partial H_\beta \quad (2.38)$$

or

$$\partial H_\alpha - \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial H_\beta} \partial H_\beta = \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_q} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_q + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_p} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_p + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial q} \mathbf{n} : \partial \sigma - \frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial p} \mathbf{I} : \partial \sigma \quad (2.39)$$

or

$$c_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} \partial H_\beta = \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_q} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_q + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_p} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_p + \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial q} \mathbf{n} : \partial \sigma - \frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial p} \mathbf{I} : \partial \sigma \quad (2.40)$$

where

$$c_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{\partial h_\alpha}{\partial H_\beta} \quad (2.41)$$

Finally

$$\partial H_\alpha = c_{\alpha\beta} \left( \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_q} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_q + \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_p} \partial \Delta \varepsilon_p + \left( \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial q} \mathbf{n} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial p} \mathbf{I} \right) : \partial \sigma \right) \quad (2.42)$$

(2.42)  $\rightarrow$  (2.35),(2.36) the following system is obtained:

$$A_{11}\partial\Delta\varepsilon_p + A_{12}\partial\Delta\varepsilon_q = (B_{11}\mathbf{I} + B_{12}\mathbf{n}) : \partial\sigma \quad (2.43)$$

$$A_{21}\partial\Delta\varepsilon_p + A_{22}\partial\Delta\varepsilon_q = (B_{21}\mathbf{I} + B_{22}\mathbf{n}) : \partial\sigma \quad (2.44)$$

where

$$A_{11} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} + \left( \Delta\varepsilon_p \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial H_\alpha} + \Delta\varepsilon_q \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial H_\alpha} \right) c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_p} \quad (2.45)$$

$$A_{12} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} + \left( \Delta\varepsilon_p \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial H_\alpha} + \Delta\varepsilon_q \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial H_\alpha} \right) c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_q} \quad (2.46)$$

$$A_{21} = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial H_\alpha} c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_p} \quad (2.47)$$

$$A_{22} = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial H_\alpha} c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_q} \quad (2.48)$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_{11} &= \frac{1}{3} \Delta\varepsilon_p \left( \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial p} + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial H_\alpha} c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial p} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{3} \Delta\varepsilon_q \left( \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p^2} + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial H_\alpha} c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial p} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (2.49)$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_{12} &= -\Delta\varepsilon_p \left( \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q^2} + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial H_\alpha} c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial q} \right) \\ &\quad - \Delta\varepsilon_q \left( \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial q} + \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial H_\alpha} c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial q} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (2.50)$$

$$B_{21} = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial p} + \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial H_\alpha} c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial p} \right) \quad (2.51)$$

$$B_{22} = - \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial q} + \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial H_\alpha} c_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial h_\beta}{\partial q} \right) \quad (2.52)$$

The system (2.43)-(2.44) has the following solution:

$$\partial\Delta\varepsilon_p = (M_{pI}\mathbf{I} + M_{pn}\mathbf{n}) : \partial\sigma \quad (2.53)$$

$$\partial\Delta\varepsilon_q = (M_{qI}\mathbf{I} + M_{qn}\mathbf{n}) : \partial\sigma \quad (2.54)$$

where

$$M_{pI} = \frac{A_{22}B_{11} - A_{12}B_{21}}{\det A} \quad (2.55)$$

$$M_{pn} = \frac{A_{22}B_{12} - A_{12}B_{22}}{\det A} \quad (2.56)$$

$$M_{qI} = \frac{A_{11}B_{21} - A_{21}B_{11}}{\det A} \quad (2.57)$$

$$M_{qn} = \frac{A_{11}B_{22} - A_{21}B_{12}}{\det A} \quad (2.58)$$

and

$$\det A = A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21} \quad (2.59)$$

(2.53),(2.54) →(2.29):

$$\begin{aligned} \partial\sigma = \mathcal{C} : & \left( \partial\epsilon - \frac{1}{3}(M_{pI}\mathbf{I} + M_{pn}\mathbf{n}) : \partial\sigma \otimes \mathbf{I} \right. \\ & \left. -(M_{qI}\mathbf{I} + M_{qn}\mathbf{n}) : \partial\sigma \otimes \mathbf{n} - \Delta\varepsilon_q \frac{\partial\mathbf{n}}{\partial\sigma} : \partial\sigma \right) \end{aligned} \quad (2.60)$$

or rearranging:

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \mathcal{C} : \left( \frac{1}{3}M_{pI}\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{3}M_{pn}\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{n} + M_{qI}\mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{I} + M_{qn}\mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{n} + \Delta\varepsilon_q \frac{\partial\mathbf{n}}{\partial\sigma} \right) + \mathcal{J} \right) : \partial\sigma \\ = \mathcal{C} : \partial\epsilon \end{aligned} \quad (2.61)$$

or

$$(\mathcal{M} + \mathcal{C}^{-1}) : \partial\sigma = \partial\epsilon \quad (2.62)$$

so

$$\mathcal{D} = (\mathcal{M} + \mathcal{C}^{-1})^{-1} \quad (2.63)$$

where

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{1}{3}M_{pI}\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{3}M_{pn}\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{n} + M_{qI}\mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{I} + M_{qn}\mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{n} + \Delta\varepsilon_q \frac{\partial\mathbf{n}}{\partial\sigma} \quad (2.64)$$

or, expanding the last term, and replacing  $\mathcal{J}^{\text{sym}}$  with  $\mathcal{J}$ , since both sides in (2.62) are symmetric:

$$\mathcal{M} = \left( \frac{1}{3}M_{pI} - \frac{\Delta\varepsilon_q}{2q} \right) \mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{3}M_{pn}\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{n} + M_{qI}\mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{I} + \left( M_{qn} - \frac{\Delta\varepsilon_q}{q} \right) \mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{n} + \frac{3\Delta\varepsilon_q}{2q} \mathcal{J} \quad (2.65)$$

### 3 GTN model

#### 3.1 GTN yield function and state variables

The flow potential and the yield function of the GTN model are:

$$\Phi = g = \left( \frac{q}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 + 2q_1 f \cosh \left( \frac{3}{2} \frac{q_2 p}{\sigma_0} \right) - (1 + q_3 f^2) = 0 \quad (3.1)$$

where

$$\sigma_0 = \sigma_0(\varepsilon_q^m) \quad (3.2)$$

is the flow stress of the fully dense matrix as a function of the equivalent plastic strain of the fully dense matrix,  $\varepsilon_q^m$ . As shown by Aravas (1987)  $\varepsilon_q^m \neq \varepsilon_q$ .  $\varepsilon_q$  is a macroscopic characteristic of material related to macroscopic plastic strain rate tensor, used in the flow rule, whereas  $\varepsilon_q^m$  is a microscopic property.

Accordingly there are two state variables in the GTN model - void volume fraction,  $f$ , and  $\varepsilon_q^m$ .

The equivalent plastic work principle:

$$(1-f)\sigma_0\varepsilon_q^m = \boldsymbol{\sigma} : \dot{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}^p \quad (3.3)$$

or

$$\varepsilon_q^m = \frac{-p\dot{\varepsilon}_p + q\dot{\varepsilon}_q}{(1-f)\sigma_0} \quad (3.4)$$

Also after Aravas (1987):

$$\dot{f} = \dot{f}_{gr} + \dot{f}_{nuc} \quad (3.5)$$

where  $\dot{f}_{gr}$  is void volume rate due to growth of existing voids:

$$\dot{f}_{gr} = (1-f)\dot{\varepsilon}_p \quad (3.6)$$

and  $\dot{f}_{nuc}$  is void volume rate due to nucleation of new voids:

$$\dot{f}_{nuc} = A\varepsilon_q^m \quad (3.7)$$

$$A = \frac{f_N}{s_N \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\varepsilon_q^m - \varepsilon_N}{s_N} \right)^2 \right] \quad (3.8)$$

$$A' = -\frac{f_N(\varepsilon_q^m - \varepsilon_N)}{s_N^3 \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\varepsilon_q^m - \varepsilon_N}{s_N} \right)^2 \right] = -\frac{\varepsilon_q^m - \varepsilon_N}{s_N^2} A \quad (3.9)$$

$f_N$  is a volume fraction of void nucleating particles. No void nucleation is assumed for compressive stress,  $p > 0$ . This seems to be what Abaqus' \*VOID NUCLEATION option is doing.

In finite difference form the evolution of state variables is:

$$\Delta H_1 \equiv \Delta \varepsilon_q^m = \frac{-p\Delta \varepsilon_p + q\Delta \varepsilon_q}{(1-f)\sigma_0} \equiv h_1 \quad (3.10)$$

$$\Delta H_2 \equiv \Delta f = (1-f)\Delta \varepsilon_p + A\Delta \varepsilon_q^m \equiv h_2 \quad (3.11)$$

(3.10),(3.11) complete the full system of equations for GTN case. The full system thus consists of 4 equations (2.23),(2.24),(3.10),(3.11), where  $p$  and  $q$  are defined by (2.25),(2.26).

### 3.2 Simulation of void coalescence

Following Tvergaard and Needleman (1984):

$$\Phi = g = \left( \frac{q}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 + 2q_1 f^* \cosh \left( \frac{3q_2 p}{2\sigma_0} \right) - (1 + q_3 f^{*2}) = 0 \quad (3.12)$$

where

$$f^* = \begin{cases} f & f \leq f_c \\ f_c + (f - f_c)(f_u^* - f_c)/(f_f - f_c) & f > f_c \end{cases} \quad (3.13)$$

$f_c$  is the critical value of the void volume fraction, and  $f_f$  is the void volume fraction at fracture (no load bearing capacity),  $f_u^*$  is the value of  $f^*$  at zero stress:

$$f_u^* = \frac{q_1 + \sqrt{q_1^2 - q_3}}{q_3} \quad (3.14)$$

If  $q_3 = q_1^2$  then  $f_u^* = 1/q_1$ . This is the case originally proposed by Tvergaard and Needleman (1984). If  $q_3 = 0$  then  $f_u^* = 1/2q_1$ .

### 3.3 GTN partial derivatives

In the following the  $f^*$  form of the flow potential and the yield function is assumed as in (3.12). If one does not want to use  $f^*$  function then one has to use  $f_c \geq 1$ . In that case  $f^* \equiv f$ .

$$\alpha = \frac{3q_2 p}{2\sigma_0} \quad (3.15)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q^2} = \frac{2}{\sigma_0^2} \quad (3.20)$$

$$\frac{df^*}{df} = \begin{cases} 1 & f \leq f_c \\ \frac{f_u^* - f_c}{f_f - f_c} & f > f_c \end{cases} \quad (3.16) \quad \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial q} = 0 \quad (3.21)$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial p} = \frac{3q_1 q_2 f^*}{\sigma_0} \sinh \alpha \quad (3.17)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial H_1} = \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial \Delta \varepsilon_q^m} = -\frac{3q_1 q_2 f^* \sigma'_0}{\sigma_0^2} (\sinh \alpha + \alpha \cosh \alpha) \quad (3.22)$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial q} = \frac{2q}{\sigma_0^2} \quad (3.18)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p^2} = \frac{9q_1 q_2^2 f^*}{2\sigma_0^2} \cosh \alpha \quad (3.19)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial H_2} = \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial p \partial \Delta f} = \frac{3q_1 q_2}{\sigma_0} \sinh \alpha \frac{df^*}{df} \quad (3.23)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial H_1} = \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial \Delta \varepsilon_q^m} = -\frac{4q}{\sigma_0^3} \sigma'_0 \quad \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial H_2} = -\Delta \varepsilon_p \quad (3.31)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial H_2} = \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial q \partial \Delta f} = 0 \quad (3.24) \quad (3.25)$$

$$-\frac{\sigma'_0}{\sigma_0^2} \left( \frac{2q^2}{\sigma_0} + 3q_1 q_2 f^* p \sinh a \right) \quad (3.26) \quad \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial q} = \frac{\Delta \varepsilon_q}{(1-f)\sigma_0} \quad (3.33)$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial H_2} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \Delta f} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_q^m} = \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_p} = -\frac{p}{(1-f)\sigma_0} \quad (3.34)$$

$$2(q_1 \cosh a - q_3 f^*) \frac{df^*}{df} \quad (3.27) \quad \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_q} = \frac{q}{(1-f)\sigma_0} \quad (3.35)$$

$$\frac{\partial h_1}{\partial H_1} = \frac{p \Delta \varepsilon_p - q \Delta \varepsilon_q}{(1-f)\sigma_0^2} \sigma'_0 \quad (3.28) \quad \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial p} = 0 \quad (3.36)$$

$$\frac{\partial h_1}{\partial H_2} = \frac{-p \Delta \varepsilon_p + q \Delta \varepsilon_q}{(1-f)^2 \sigma_0} \quad (3.29) \quad \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_p} = 1 - f \quad (3.37)$$

$$\frac{\partial h_2}{\partial H_1} = A + A' \Delta \varepsilon_q^m \quad (3.30) \quad \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \Delta \varepsilon_q} = 0 \quad (3.38)$$

### 3.4 Jacobian

Most numerical algorithms will use jacobian to calculate the next approximation. If the time step is small (explicit dynamic analysis) the forward difference approximation of jacobian is enough for a quick convergence. However, for large time increments (quasi static analysis, implicit solvers) this approximation is too inaccurate. Hence jacobian must be provided. Here we derive the GTN jacobian.

The 4 equations of a GTN step are (2.23), (3.12),(3.10), (3.11):

$$f_1 = \Delta \varepsilon_p \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} + \Delta \varepsilon_q \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} = 0 \quad (3.40)$$

$$f_2 = g = \left(\frac{q}{\sigma_0}\right)^2 + 2q_1 f^* \cosh\left(\frac{3q_2 p}{2\sigma_0}\right) - (1 + q_3 f^{*2}) = 0 \quad (3.41)$$

$$f_3 = \Delta\varepsilon_q^m(1-f)\sigma_0 + p\Delta\varepsilon_p - q\Delta\varepsilon_q = 0 \quad (3.42)$$

$$f_4 = \Delta f - (1-f)\Delta\varepsilon_p - A\Delta\varepsilon_q^m = 0 \quad (3.43)$$

and the variables are  $x_1 = \Delta\varepsilon_p$ ,  $x_2 = \Delta\varepsilon_q$ ,  $x_3 = \Delta\varepsilon_q^m$ ,  $x_4 = \Delta f$ . With that the jacobian is  $J_{ij} = \partial f_i / \partial x_j$ .

(3.17),(3.18)→(3.40):

$$f_1 = \Delta\varepsilon_p \frac{2q}{\sigma_0} + 3q_1 q_2 f^* \Delta\varepsilon_q \sinh a = 0, \quad (3.44)$$

$a$  is defined by (3.15), so:

$$\frac{\partial a}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_p} = \frac{3q_2 K}{2\sigma_0} \quad (3.45) \quad \frac{\partial a}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_q^m} = -\frac{3q_2 p}{2\sigma_0^2} \sigma'_0 \quad (3.46)$$

$$J_{11} = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_p} = \frac{1}{\sigma_0} \left( 2q + \frac{9}{2} q_1 q_2^2 f^* K \Delta\varepsilon_q \cosh a \right) \quad (3.47)$$

$$J_{12} = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_q} = -\frac{6G\Delta\varepsilon_p}{\sigma_0} + 3q_1 q_2 f^* \sinh a \quad (3.48)$$

$$J_{13} = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_3} = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_q^m} = -\frac{\sigma'_0}{\sigma_0^2} \left( 2q\Delta\varepsilon_p + \frac{9}{2} q_1 q_2^2 f^* p \Delta\varepsilon_q \cosh a \right) \quad (3.49)$$

$$J_{14} = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_4} = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \Delta f} = 3q_1 q_2 \Delta\varepsilon_q \sinh a \frac{df^*}{df} \quad (3.50)$$

$$J_{21} = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_p} = K \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} = \frac{3Kq_1 q_2 f^*}{\sigma_0} \sinh a \quad (3.51)$$

$$J_{22} = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_q} = -3G \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} = -\frac{6Gq}{\sigma_0^2} \quad (3.52)$$

$$J_{23} = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_3} = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial \Delta\varepsilon_q^m} = -\frac{\sigma'_0}{\sigma_0^2} \left( \frac{2q^2}{\sigma_0} + 3q_1 q_2 f^* p \sinh a \right), \text{ as in (3.26)} \quad (3.53)$$

$$J_{24} = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_4} = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial \Delta f} = 2(q_1 \cosh a - q_3 f^*) \frac{df^*}{df}, \text{ as in (3.27)} \quad (3.54)$$

$$J_{31} = \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial \Delta \epsilon_p} = K \Delta \epsilon_p + p \quad (3.55)$$

$$J_{32} = \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x_2} = \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial \Delta \epsilon_q} = 3G \Delta \epsilon_q - q \quad (3.56)$$

$$J_{33} = \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x_3} = \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial \Delta \epsilon_q^m} = (1-f)(\sigma_0 + \Delta \epsilon_q^m \sigma'_0) \quad (3.57)$$

$$J_{34} = \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x_4} = \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial \Delta f} = -\Delta \epsilon_q^m \sigma_0 \quad (3.58)$$

$$J_{41} = \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial \Delta \epsilon_p} = -(1-f) \quad (3.59)$$

$$J_{42} = \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial x_2} = \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial \Delta \epsilon_q} = 0 \quad (3.60)$$

$$J_{43} = \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial x_3} = \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial \Delta \epsilon_q^m} = -A' \Delta \epsilon_q^m - A \quad (3.61)$$

$$J_{44} = \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial x_4} = \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial \Delta f} = 1 + \Delta \epsilon_p \quad (3.62)$$

### 3.5 Solution step by step

$\sigma_t, \sigma_0(t), f_t, \epsilon_q^m(t)$  must be saved from the previous increment.

1.  $\sigma^e = \sigma_t + C : \Delta \epsilon$
2.  $p^e, S^e, q^e, n$  (2.21);  $f^*$  (3.13)
3.  $\Delta \epsilon_p = \Delta \epsilon_q = \Delta \epsilon_q^m = \Delta f = 0$
4.  $\sigma_0, \sigma'_0$  - user defined law
5. Solve (2.23), (2.24), (3.10), (3.11). Use DNSQ (Hieber, 1980b) or DNLS1 (Hieber, 1980a).
6.  $p = p^e + K \Delta \epsilon_p; q = q^e - 3G \Delta \epsilon_q$
7.  $f = f_t + \Delta f; \epsilon_q^m = \epsilon_q^m(t) + \Delta \epsilon_q^m$
8.  $\Delta \epsilon^p = \Delta \epsilon_q n + \frac{1}{3} \Delta \epsilon_p I; \Delta \epsilon^e = \Delta \epsilon - \Delta \epsilon^p; \epsilon^e = \epsilon_t^e + \Delta \epsilon^e; \epsilon^p = \epsilon_t^p + \Delta \epsilon^p$

$$9. \quad \mathbf{S} = \frac{2q}{3}\mathbf{n}; \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{S} - p\mathbf{I}$$

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- 10. (3.15)-(3.39), (2.41), (2.45)-(2.52), (2.59), (2.55)-(2.58).
- 11.  $\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{D}$  (2.64),(2.63)

### 3.6 Numerical solution

I tried to use the Levenberg-Marquardt (Moré, 1978; Hiebert, 1980a) and the Powell dog leg (Powell, 1970; Hiebert, 1980b) algorithms. We use the matrix notation in this section:  $\mathbf{x} \equiv \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{f} \equiv \mathbf{f}_i, \mathbf{J} \equiv J_{ij}$ .

### 3.7 Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm

The LM implementation available in **Slatec** library as **DNLS1** routine (Hiebert, 1980a) requires the user to supply the functions,  $\mathbf{f}$ , and the Jacobian,  $\mathbf{J}$  (we are discussing a situation of large time steps where the forward difference approximation of Jacobian is not accurate enough). In LM algorithm we are searching for a local minimiser of  $\|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})\|^2$ . If  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is the exact solution to  $\mathbf{f} = 0$ , then we are looking to find a solution  $\mathbf{x}$ , which is close enough to  $\mathbf{x}^*$ , or such that  $\|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^*)\|^2$  is close enough to  $\|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})\|^2$ . Accordingly the two convergence criteria in **DNLS1** are:

$$\Delta \leq \epsilon_x \|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}\| \quad (3.63)$$

$$|r_a| \leq \epsilon_f \text{ and } r_p \leq \epsilon_f \text{ and } \frac{r_a}{r_p} \leq 2 \quad (3.64)$$

If  $\mathbf{p}$  is the current step, then the actual reduction is

$$r_a = 1 - \left( \frac{\|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{p})\|}{\|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})\|} \right)^2 \quad (3.65)$$

and the predicted reduction is

$$r_p = \left( \frac{\|\mathbf{J}\mathbf{p}\|}{\|\mathbf{f}\|} \right)^2 + 2 \left( \lambda^{1/2} \frac{\|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{p}\|}{\|\mathbf{f}\|} \right)^2 \quad (3.66)$$

$\mathbf{D}$  is the diagonal matrix of scaling factors.  $\lambda$  is the Levenberg-Marquardt parameter, found from the least squares solution of:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{J} \\ \lambda^{1/2}\mathbf{D} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{f} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.67)$$

subject to constraint that  $\lambda = 0$  if  $\|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{p}\| \leq \Delta$ , or  $\lambda > 0$  if  $\|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{p}\| = \Delta$ , where  $\Delta$  is the trust region (Moré, 1978). Note that in **DNLS1** (actually in **DMPAR**, its

subsidiary routine) the constraint is implemented slightly differently:  $\lambda = 0$  if  $\|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{p}\| - \Delta \leq 0.1\Delta$ , or  $\lambda > 0$  if  $|(\|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{p}\| - \Delta)| \leq 0.1\Delta$ .

Initially,  $\Delta = k\|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}\|$  if  $\|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}\| \neq 0$  and  $\Delta = k$  otherwise.  $k$  is a user specified factor, typically  $k \in (0.1, 100)$ . On the following iterations,  $\Delta$  is updated based on the success of the previous iteration, as measured by the gain function,

Because on each call of UMAT/VUMAT  $\mathbf{x}$  is unpredictable, I always start from  $\mathbf{x} = 0$ . Hence initially  $\Delta = k$ . I choose  $k = 100$ . Either too small or too large  $k$  can be fatal for the algorithm.

### 3.8 Powell dog leg algorithm

As in LM, functions and the Jacobian must be supplied. Two convergence criteria are implemented: (1) the exact answer is found (within machine tolerance), i.e.  $\|\mathbf{f}\| = 0$ , and (2) criterion (3.63), where  $\Delta$  and  $\mathbf{D}$  have the same meaning as in LM.

### 3.9 Books

Useful books for non-linear optimisation: [Rabinowitz \(1970\)](#); [Gill and Murray \(1974\)](#); [Fletcher \(1980\)](#); [Gill et al. \(1981\)](#); [Powell \(1982\)](#); [Scales \(1985\)](#); [Nocedal and Wright \(1999\)](#).

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