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# Modeling of Localized Inelastic Deformation

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#### **General outline:**

- A. Introduction
- B. Elastoplasticity
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- D. Strain localization
- E. Regularized continuum models
- F. Strong discontinuity models

# **F. Strong discontinuity models**

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F.2 Finite elements with discontinuities - introduction

F.3 Embedded discontinuities (EED-EAS)

F.4 Extended finite elements (XFEM-PUM)

# Failure of Liberty (and other) ships during WW II



reason: brittle fracture

19 ships broke in half without warning



panel weakened by an eliptical hole









$$\sigma_{y}(x,0) = \frac{Fa}{t\pi x \sqrt{x^{2} - a^{2}}} \approx \frac{F}{t\pi \sqrt{2ar}} = \frac{F}{t\pi \sqrt{2a}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}}$$
  
y
  
at distances  $r \ll a$ 
  
F
  
a  $r$ 
  
x
  
x
  
a  $r$ 
  
x



general expression for the singular part of stress field that dominates near the crack tip

$$\sigma_{y}(x,0) \approx \frac{K_{I}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \qquad K_{I} \dots \text{ stress intensity factor}$$

$$\overset{\widehat{\sigma}}{=} \qquad \sigma_{y}(x,0) \approx \widehat{\sigma}\sqrt{\frac{a}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \qquad \dots \qquad K_{I} = \widehat{\sigma}\sqrt{\pi a}$$

$$\overset{F_{1}}{\xrightarrow{F_{1}}} \qquad \sigma_{y}(x,0) \approx \frac{F}{t\pi\sqrt{2a}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \qquad \dots \qquad K_{I} = \frac{F}{t\sqrt{\pi a}}$$



same stress concentration near the tip



 $a_2 = 15 \text{ mm}, F / t = 385 \text{ kN/m}$ 

$$\sigma_{y}(r,\theta) \approx \frac{K_{I}}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \left(1 + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{3\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$y \qquad \sigma_{x}(r,\theta) \approx \frac{K_{I}}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \left(1 - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{3\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$\sigma_{x}(r,\theta) \approx \frac{\sigma_{y}}{\sigma_{x}} + \sigma_{x}}{\sigma_{y}}$$

## **Basic fracture modes**



crack loaded in a mixed mode (combination of modes I and II):

$$\sigma_{y}(r,\theta) \approx \frac{K_{I}}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \left(1 + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{3\theta}{2}\right) - \frac{K_{II}}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \left(2 + \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$\sigma_x(r,\theta) \approx \frac{K_I}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \left(1 - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{3\theta}{2}\right) + \frac{K_{II}}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2}$$

$$\tau_{xy}(r,\theta) \approx \frac{K_{I}}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \sin\frac{\theta}{2} \cos\frac{3\theta}{2} + \frac{K_{II}}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \left(1 - \sin\frac{\theta}{2} \sin\frac{3\theta}{2}\right)$$

A crack loaded in mode I propagates

if the stress intensity factor at its tip attains a critical value:

 $K_I = K_c$ stress intensity factor (depends on loading, shape and dimensions of the body and on the crack size)  $K_I = K_c$ fracture toughness (material property)  $[Nm^{-3/2}]$  **Crack propagation – Griffith (global) criterion** 

A crack loaded in mode I propagates

if its propagation releases a critical amount of energy:



**Crack propagation criteria** 

crack propagates if

$$K_I = K_c$$
  $\mathcal{G} = G_f$ 

local (Irwin) criterion

global (Griffith) criterion

for plane stress and mode I loading it can be shown that

$$\mathcal{G} = \frac{K_I^2}{E}$$

the above criteria are then equivalent and the fracture tougness

and fracture energy are linked by

$$G_{\rm f} = \frac{K_{\rm c}^2}{E} \qquad K_{\rm c} = \sqrt{EG_{\rm f}}$$

# **Direction of crack propagation**

for mode I loading, the crack can be expected to propagate straight ahead, but for general mixed-mode loading we need a criterion for the crack direction



the direction of propagation is given by the angle  $\theta_{\rm c}$  for which

maximum circumferential stress criterion (maximum hoop stress criterion): crack propagates in the direction perpendicular to the maximum circumferential stress (evaluated on a circle of a small diameter centered at the tip)

$$\sigma_{\theta}(r,\theta_{c}) = \max_{-\pi < \theta < \pi} \sigma_{\theta}(r,\theta)$$

# **F.2**

# Finite elements with discontinuities: Introduction

# **Classification of models: kinematic aspects**



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### **Classification of models: material laws**

Stress-strain law

Stress-strain law (pre-localization part)





Stress-strain law



Traction-separation law

σ

Stress-strain law (post-localization part)

 $\sigma$   $\varepsilon_{i} = [[u]] / h$ 

Enrichment acting as localization limiter:

- nonlocal
- gradient
- Cosserat
- viscosity

- 1) Formulated directly in the traction-separation space
  - a) with nonzero elastic compliance (elasto-plastic, ...)
  - b) with zero elastic compliance (rigid-plastic, ...)



For general applications, we need a link between the separation **vector** (displacement jump vector) and the traction **vector**:



2) "Derived" from a stress-strain law (softening continuum) using the strong discontinuity approach



### Finite element representation of strong discontinuities



- 1) Discontinuities at element interfaces:
  - a) Remeshing
  - b) Interspersed potential discontinuities

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- 2) Arbitrary discontinuities across elements:
  - a) Elements with embedded discontinuities using the enhanced assumed strain formulation (EED-EAS) aka EFEM, SDA, GSDA, ...
  - b) Extended finite elements based on the partition-of-unity concept (XFEM-PUM) aka GFEM, ...

# **Embedded discontinuity (enhanced assumed strain)**



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# **Approximation on two overlapping meshes (XFEM)**



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**F.3** 

# Elements with Embedded Discontinuities (EAS)
$$\mathbf{d} | \mathbf{\varepsilon} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{d}$$

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 $\mathbf{f}_{\text{int}}$ 

d ε e ... new degrees of freedom characterizing separation (displacement jump) σ t ... traction



# d

? kinematics ?

€ e ↓ material ↓ σ t ? equilibrium ?



Three types of formulations:

- KOS ... kinematically optimal symmetric
- SOS ... statically optimal symmetric
- SKON ... kinematically and statically optimal nonsymmetric

























- Misalignment between crack and element
- Distorted principal directions
- Stress locking











# **EED-EAS** approach: discontinuous interpolation



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# F.4 Extended Finite Elements (XFEM) Based on Partition of Unity

Standard finite element approximation:

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Enriched approximation:

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{I=1}^{Nnod} N_I(\mathbf{x}) \left[ \mathbf{d}_I + \sum_{i \in L_I} G_i(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{e}_{iI} \right]$$

selected enrichment functions

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Only if the support of  $N_I$  is cut by  $\Gamma$  , then the function  $N_I H_\Gamma$  really enriches the basis.

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{I=1}^{Nnod} N_I(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{d}_I + \sum_{I \in S_H} N_I(\mathbf{x}) H_{\Gamma}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{e}_I$$
  
set of nodes with Heaviside enrichment





nodes with Heaviside enrichment

The enriched approximation can be rearranged to give better physical meaning to the degrees of freedom:


#### **XFEM** – enrichment by step function







#### **XFEM** – tip enrichment

Additional enrichment improving the approximation around the crack tip:



Functions that appear in the analytical near-tip solution:

$$B_{1}(r,\theta) = \sqrt{r} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \qquad B_{3}(r,\theta) = \sqrt{r} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \theta$$
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nodes with enrichment by near-tip functions







nodes with Heaviside enrichment

nodes with enrichment by near-tip functions



But if the crack is curved, we cannot define functions  $B_i$  in terms of the standard polar coordinates because  $B_1$  would not be discontinuous across the crack but across the dotted line.

#### **XFEM** – level set functions

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and define  $B_i$  in terms of the pseudo-polar coordinates

$$r(\psi,\varphi) = \sqrt{\psi^2 + \varphi^2}$$

$$\theta(\psi, \varphi) = \operatorname{sgn}(\varphi) \operatorname{arccos} \frac{\psi}{\sqrt{\psi^2 + \varphi^2}}$$

Functions  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are the so-called **level set functions**.



They are defined by their values at nodes around the crack and interpolated using the standard shape functions:

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{I} N_{I}(\mathbf{x}) \varphi_{I}, \quad \psi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{I} N_{I}(\mathbf{x}) \psi_{I}$$

For an existing crack, function  $\varphi$  can be constructed as the signed distance function:



 $\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x} - P_{\Gamma}(\mathbf{x})\| \operatorname{sgn}[(\mathbf{x} - P_{\Gamma}(\mathbf{x})) \cdot \mathbf{n}(P_{\Gamma}(\mathbf{x}))]$ 

Criteria for Direction of Crack Propagation



















Crack direction = normal to the maximum principal stress direction









#### Crack direction = normal to the direction of maximum principal **nonlocal** stress (or strain)







Stress distribution at constant distance from the tip of a stress-free crack







#### Crack direction = normal to the direction of maximum circumferential stress





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