Velocity Gap and Interface Cracks

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Two-dimensional models

(Slepyan, 1980; Kulakhmetova, Saraikin and Slepyan 1984, Marder and Gross 1995, Kessler and Levine 1999)

- Steady-state solutions are analytical
- Treat infinite numbers of atoms in all directions
- Connect macroscopic and microscopic scales
- Develop scaling laws



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Can make lattice trapping as large or small as desired by changing shape of potential.



Example where lattice trapping is small:Lennard–Jones potential



Can make lattice trapping vanish by increasing temperature







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Solutions are

- and the mathematically troublesome
- Crack surfaces oscillate and cross one another infinitely often.

Self-healing cracks on interfaces

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Paradoxes

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Do these cracks exist?

Crack height

Interface solutions







Steady-state hypothesis:

$$\mathbf{u}_{mn}(t) = \mathbf{u}_{0n} \left(t - \frac{m}{v} \right)$$
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$$\mathbf{u}_{nn}(t) = \mathbf{u}_{0n} \left(t - \frac{m}{v} \right)$$

v is the crack velocity, and s is the syncopation.

Left bonds break at times

$$t = \dots, \frac{-2}{v}, \frac{-1}{v}, 0, \frac{1}{v}, \frac{2}{v}, \dots$$
$$t = \dots, \frac{-2}{v} + s, \frac{-1}{v} + s, s, \frac{1}{v} + s, \frac{2}{v} + s, \dots$$

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Match near-tip continuum fields to far-field atomic solution



Time traces for atoms near the tip have a universal form dictated by the velocity v and syncopation s.

$$\frac{c_s D'_x + i c_d D'_y}{c_s D_x + i c_d D_y} = \left(\frac{N'}{N}\right)^{\frac{1}{2} - i\epsilon(v)}$$

Scaling of Atomic Solution



 D_x and D_y are displacements of upper boundary. The loading must rotate with system size to reveal the universality.

Crack tip can be in tension while boundary is in compression.

Stress Rotation





Identical fields at crack tip requires rotation of external loads as sample size changes.

Crack-tip singularity has form

Single tip



$$\sigma \propto r^{\lambda} \equiv r^{-1/2+i\epsilon}$$
 where ϵ is real.

$$\begin{split} q^2 + 2pq + 1 &= 0 \\ q &= e^{2\pi i\lambda}, \\ q &= -p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 1}, \\ p &= 1 + \frac{2\left((1 + \beta^2) - 2\alpha\beta\right)^2}{(\alpha\beta - 1)\left((1 + \beta^2)^2 - 4\alpha\beta\right)} \\ \alpha &= \sqrt{1 - v^2/c_l^2} \quad \beta &= \sqrt{1 - v^2/c_t^2}. \end{split}$$

Two tips v Rigid substrate Logarithmically oscillating singularity

$$\Phi(z) = A_1(z-t)^{\lambda}(z+t)^{\bar{\lambda}} + A_2(z-t)^{\lambda}(z+t)^{\bar{\lambda}+1} + \text{c.c.}$$

Continuum: Self-healing crack of length l and velocity v is described by four constants, corresponding to

- Stresses σ_{xy} and σ_{yy} at infinity.
- Slip in *x* and *y* direction produced by crack.

or

• Real and imaginary parts of stress intensity factors at two crack tips.

Microscopic: Self-healing crack of length of l and velocity v is described by two constants, corresponding to syncopations s_f and s_b front and back.

Assemble results

Predicting Friction

Catalog of 100,000 self-healing crack states.



Assemble results



Scenario and questions



Questions:

- Nucleation?
- Interaction?
- Temperature?
- To results depend upon crystallinity?
- What is effect of surface roughness?
- Can these states coexist with asperities?
- How can they be detected experimentally?
- In what systems?

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