# Potential-based Fracture Mechanics Using Cohesive Zone and Virtual Internal Bond Modeling

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## **Micro-Branching Experiment**



Sharon E, Fineberg J. Microbranching instability and the dynamic fracture of brittle materials. Physical Review B 1996; 54(10):7128–7139.





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## **Cohesive Zone Modeling**



### Constitutive Relationship of Cohesive Fracture

Non-potential based-model vs. Potential based-model

### Computational Methods

### Cohesive surface elements, enrichment functions, embedded discontinuities

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## **Potentials for Cohesive Fracture**

### □ Needleman, A. (1987)

- Polynomial potential / linear shear interaction
- □ Needleman, A. (1990)
  - Exponential potential / periodic dependence
- □ Beltz, G.E. and Rice, J.R. (1991)
  - Generalized the potential (Exponential + Sinusoid)
- □ Xu, X.P. and Needleman, A. (1993)
  - Exponential potential (Exponential + Exponential)
- □ Park, K., Paulino, G.H. and Roesler, J.R. (2009) PPR
  - Polynomial potential (Polynomial + Polynomial)

 Needleman A. 1987, A continuum model for void nucleation by inclusion debonding, Journal of Applied Mechanics, 54, 525-531

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### Polynomial Potential

$$\Psi(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) = \frac{27}{4} \sigma_{\max} \delta_n \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n} \right)^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{4}{3} \left( \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n} \right)^2 \right] + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_s \left( \frac{\Delta_t}{\delta_n} \right)^2 \left[ 1 - 2 \left( \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n} \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n} \right)^2 \right] \right\}$$

### Cohesive Relationship

$$T_{n} = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \Delta_{n}} = \frac{27}{4} \sigma_{\max} \left\{ \left( \frac{\Delta_{n}}{\delta_{n}} \right) \left[ 1 - 2 \left( \frac{\Delta_{n}}{\delta_{n}} \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta_{n}}{\delta_{n}} \right)^{2} \right] + \alpha_{s} \left( \frac{\Delta_{t}}{\delta_{n}} \right)^{2} \left[ \left( \frac{\Delta_{n}}{\delta_{n}} \right) - 1 \right] \right\}$$
$$\Delta_{n} \leq \delta_{n} :$$
$$T_{t} = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \Delta_{t}} = \frac{27}{4} \sigma_{\max} \left\{ \alpha_{s} \left( \frac{\Delta_{t}}{\delta_{n}} \right) \left[ 1 - 2 \left( \frac{\Delta_{n}}{\delta_{n}} \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta_{n}}{\delta_{n}} \right)^{2} \right] \right\}$$

 $\Delta_n > \delta_n : \qquad T_n = T_t \equiv \mathbf{0}$ 

$$\phi_n = 9\sigma_{\max}\delta_n / 16$$
$$T_n (0, \delta_n / 3) = \sigma_{\max}$$

α<sub>s</sub>: shear stiffness parameterShear dependence → linear
Displacement jump → small

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$$\frac{100}{60}$$

$$\phi_{n} = 100 N / m$$

$$\sigma_{\max} = 30 MPa$$

$$\frac{100 N / m}{\Psi N/m}$$

$$\sigma_{\max} = 30$$
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 $\alpha_s = 10$ 

Axis	Units
$\Psi$	N/m
$T_n, T_t$	MPa
$\Delta_n, \Delta_t$	$\mu { m m}$





# 2. Needleman A. (1990)

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### **Exponential Potential with Periodic Dependence**

$$\Psi(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) = \frac{\sigma_{\max} e \delta_n}{z} \left\{ 1 - \left[ 1 + \frac{z \Delta_n}{\delta_n} - \frac{\beta_s z^2}{\delta_t} \left[ 1 - \cos\left(\frac{2\pi \Delta_t}{\delta_t}\right) \right] \right] \exp\left(-\frac{z \Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right) \right\}$$

### □ Motivation

Universal binding energy (Normal direction)

 $E(a) = -(1+\beta a)\exp(-\beta a)$ 

Rose JH, Rerrante J and Smith JR, 1981, Universal binding energy curves for metals and bimetallic interfaces, Physical Review Letters, 47, 675-678

### Periodicity of the underlying lattice (Tangential direction)

### Cohesive Relationship

$$T_{n} = \sigma_{\max} e^{\left\{\frac{z\Delta_{n}}{\delta_{n}} - \beta_{s}z^{2}\left[1 - \cos\left(\frac{2\pi\Delta_{t}}{\delta_{t}}\right)\right]\right\}} \exp\left(-\frac{z\Delta_{n}}{\delta_{n}}\right)$$
$$T_{t} = \sigma_{\max} e^{\left\{2\pi\beta_{s}z\left(\frac{\delta_{n}}{\delta_{t}}\right)\sin\left(\frac{2\pi\Delta_{t}}{\delta_{t}}\right)\right\}} \exp\left(-\frac{z\Delta_{n}}{\delta_{n}}\right)$$



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$$\phi_{n} = 100 N / m$$

$$\sigma_{\max} = 30 MPa$$

$$Z = 16e / 9$$

$$\delta_{n} = \delta_{t}$$

$$\beta_{s} = 1/2\pi e z$$





# 3. Beltz G.E. and Rice J.R. (1991)

Beltz GE and Rice JR, 1991, Dislocation nucleation versus cleavage decohesion at crack tip, Modeling the Deformation of Crystalline Solids, 457-480.

### Cohesive Relationship

- Normal direction: Exponential →  $T_n = [B(\Delta_t)\Delta_n C(\Delta_t)] \exp(-\Delta_n/\delta_n)$
- Tangential direction: Sinusoid  $\rightarrow T_t = A(\Delta_n) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi\Delta_t}{\delta_t}\right)$
- Boundary Condition + Exact differential (Potential)  $\frac{\partial T_n}{\partial \Delta_t} = \frac{\partial T_t}{\partial \Delta_n}$   $\int_0^{\infty} T_n(\Delta_n, 0) d\Delta_n = 2\gamma_s = \phi_n$   $\int_0^{\delta_t/2} T_t(0, \Delta_t) d\Delta_t = \gamma_{us} = \phi_t$  C(0) = 0  $\lim_{\Delta n \to \infty} T_n(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) = 0$   $\lim_{\Delta n \to \infty} T_t(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) = 0$   $\lim_{\Delta t \to b/2} T_t(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) = 0$ Introduce additional condition  $\Delta_n^*$  instead of  $\lim_{\Delta t \to b/2} T_n(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) = 0$

 $T_n(\Delta_n^*, b/2) = \left\lceil B(b/2)\Delta_n^* - C(b/2) \right\rceil e^{-\Delta_n^*/\delta_n} = 0$ 

$$\lim_{\Delta t \to b/2} T_n \left( \Delta_n, \Delta_t \right) \neq 0$$

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### Solve PDE with BCs

$$\frac{\partial T_n}{\partial \Delta_t} = \frac{\partial T_t}{\partial \Delta_n}$$

$$T_n = [B(\Delta_t)\Delta_n - C(\Delta_t)] \exp(-\Delta_n/\delta_n)$$
$$T_t = A(\Delta_n) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi\Delta_t}{\delta_t}\right)$$

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{\infty} T_{n}(\Delta_{n},0) \, d\Delta_{n} = 2\gamma_{s} = \phi_{n} \\ &\int_{0}^{\delta_{t}/2} T_{t}(0,\Delta_{t}) d\Delta_{t} = \gamma_{us} = \phi_{t} \\ &\lim_{\Delta n \to \infty} T_{n}\left(\Delta_{n},\Delta_{t}\right) = \mathbf{0} \quad \lim_{\Delta n \to \infty} T_{t}\left(\Delta_{n},\Delta_{t}\right) = \mathbf{0} \\ & \mathbf{C}\left(\mathbf{0}\right) = \mathbf{0} \end{split}$$

$$A(\Delta_n) = \frac{\pi \gamma_{us}}{\delta_t} - \frac{2\pi \gamma_s}{\delta_t} \left\{ q \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right) \right] - \left(\frac{q-r}{1-r}\right) \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right) \right\} \quad q = \frac{\gamma_{us}}{2\gamma_s}$$
$$B(\Delta_t) = \frac{2\gamma_s}{\delta_n^2} \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{q-r}{1-r}\right) \sin^2\left(\frac{2\pi\Delta_t}{\delta_t}\right) \right\} \qquad r = \frac{\Delta_n^*}{\delta_n}$$
$$C(\Delta_t) = \frac{2\gamma_s}{\delta_n} \frac{r(1-q)}{1-r} \sin^2\left(\frac{2\pi\Delta_t}{\delta_t}\right)$$

$$\Psi = 2\gamma_s + 2\gamma_s \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right) \left\{ \left[q + \left(\frac{q-r}{1-r}\right)\frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right] \sin^2\left(\frac{2\pi\Delta_t}{\delta_t}\right) - \left[1 + \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right] \right\}$$

$$\longrightarrow E(a) = -(1+\beta a)\exp(-\beta a)$$

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$$\phi_n = 100 \, N \, / \, m$$
  $\sigma_{max} = 30 \, MPa$   
 $\phi_t = 200 \, N \, / \, m$   $\tau_{max} = 40 \, MPa$ 

$$r = \frac{\Delta_n^*}{\delta_n} = 0$$

" $\Delta_n^*$  is the value of  $\Delta_n$  after shearing to the state  $\Delta_t = b/2$ under conditions of zero tension,  $T_n=0$  (i.e. relaxed shearing)"

$$T_n(\Delta_n^*, b/2) = \left[B(b/2)\Delta_n^* - C(b/2)\right]e^{-\Delta_n^*/\delta_n} = 0$$





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### Cohesive Relationship

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- Tangential direction: Exponential →  $T_t = A(\Delta_n) \frac{\Delta_t}{\delta_t} \exp(-\Delta_t^2 / \delta_t^2)$
- Boundary Condition

$$\begin{split} \phi_n &= \int_0^\infty T_n \left( \Delta_n, 0 \right) d\Delta_n \quad \phi_t = \int_0^\infty T_t \left( 0, \Delta_t \right) d\Delta_t \quad \mathcal{C} \left( 0 \right) = 0 \\ \lim_{\Delta n \to \infty} T_n \left( \Delta_n, \Delta_t \right) &= 0 \qquad \lim_{\Delta n \to \infty} T_t \left( \Delta_n, \Delta_t \right) = 0 \qquad \lim_{\Delta t \to \infty} T_t \left( \Delta_n, \Delta_t \right) = 0 \qquad \lim_{\Delta t \to \infty} T_n \left( \Delta_n, \Delta_t \right) \neq 0 \\ \end{split}$$
Introduce additional condition  $\Delta_n^*$  instead of  $\lim_{\Delta t \to \infty} T_n \left( \Delta_n, \Delta_t \right) = 0$ 

$$\Psi(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) = \phi_n + \phi_n \exp\left(\frac{-\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right) \left\{ \left[1 - r + \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right] \frac{(1-q)}{(r-1)} - \left[q + \frac{(r-q)}{(r-1)} \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right] \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_t^2}{\delta_t^2}\right) \right\}$$



$$\phi_n = 100 N / m$$
  
 $\phi_t = 200 N / m$   
 $\sigma_{max} = 30 MPa$   
 $\tau_{max} = 40 MPa$ 

$$r = \frac{{\Delta_n}^*}{\delta_n} = 0$$

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## Remarks

### Previous Potential

- Boundary condition is not symmetric  $\rightarrow \lim_{\Delta t \to \infty} T_n(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) \neq 0$
- Vague fracture parameter, r (or Δ<sub>n</sub>\*) → Okay if fracture energies are the same
- Complete separation at infinity
- Could not control initial slope  $\rightarrow$  Large compliance

### Proposed Potential

- Expressed by a single function
- **Different fracture energy** :  $\phi_n$ ,  $\phi_t$
- **Different cohesive strength** :  $\sigma_{\max}$ ,  $\tau_{\max}$
- **Different cohesive law:**  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$
- Different initial slope :  $\lambda_n$ ,  $\lambda_t$

## **Boundary Conditions**



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# **PPR: Unified Mixed Mode Potential**

$$\Psi(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) = \min(\phi_n, \phi_t) + \left[\Gamma_n \left(1 - \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right)^{\alpha} \left(\frac{m}{\alpha} + \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right)^m + \langle \phi_n - \phi_t \rangle\right] \\ \left[\Gamma_t \left(1 - \frac{|\Delta_t|}{\delta_t}\right)^{\beta} \left(\frac{n}{\beta} + \frac{|\Delta_t|}{\delta_t}\right)^n + \langle \phi_t - \phi_n \rangle\right]$$

- **Energy Constants:**  $\Gamma_n$  and  $\Gamma_t$
- □ Exponents: *m* and *n*

- Fracture energy
- Cohesive strength
- Cohesive interaction shape
- Initial slope
- **D** Characteristic length scales:  $\delta_n$  and  $\delta_t$
- **\square** Shape parameters :  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$

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## **Softening Region**



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- Fracture energy
- Cohesive strength
- Cohesive interaction shape

Initial slope

$$\begin{array}{ll} \phi_n = 100 \, N \, / \, m & \phi_t = 200 \, N \, / \, m \\ \sigma_{\max} = 40 \, MPa & \tau_{\max} = 30 \, MPa \\ \alpha = 5 & \beta = 1.3 \\ \lambda_n = 0.1 & \lambda_t = 0.2 \end{array}$$





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## Extension for the **EXTRINSIC** Model

## Correct Limit Procedure

Limit of initial slope indicators in the potential

$$\Psi(\Delta_n, \Delta_t) = \min(\phi_n, \phi_t) + \left[\Gamma_n \left(1 - \frac{\Delta_n}{\delta_n}\right)^{\alpha} + \langle \phi_n - \phi_t \rangle\right] \left[\Gamma_t \left(1 - \frac{|\Delta_t|}{\delta_t}\right)^{\beta} + \langle \phi_t - \phi_n \rangle\right]$$

- Energy constants:  $\Gamma_n$  and  $\Gamma_t$
- Characteristic length scales:  $\delta_n$  and  $\delta_t$
- Shape parameters:  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$
- □ Exclude elastic behavior → Extrinsic model
- **Consider different fracture energy:**  $\phi_n$ ,  $\phi_t$
- **Describe different cohesive strength:**  $\sigma_{\max}$ ,  $\tau_{\max}$
- **\square** Represent various cohesive shape:  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$

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$$\begin{aligned} \phi_n &= 100 \, N \, / \, m \\ \sigma_{\max} &= 40 \, MPa \\ \alpha &= 5 \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{aligned} \phi_t &= 200 \, N \, / \, m \\ \tau_{\max} &= 30 \, MPa \\ \beta &= 1.3 \end{aligned}$$

 $T_n(\Delta_n, \Delta_t)$ 



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### Consistent boundary condition

- Fracture parameters
  - Energy, strength, shape, slope
- Intrinsic/Extrinsic cohesive zone modeling
- Path dependence of work-of-separation
  - Proportional path
  - Non-proportional path

Unloading/reloading relationship is independent of the potential-based model

- Coupled unloading/reloading relationship
- Uncoupled unloading/reloading relationship

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## **Particle/Matrix Debonding**

### Macroscopic Constitutive Relationship

### Micromechanics

- Extended Mori-Tanaka Method
  - Hydro-static state
  - Interface debonding of cohesive constitutive relationship

Tan, H., Huang, Y., Liu, C., Ravichandran, G., Paulino, G. H., 2007. Constitutive behaviors of composites with interface debonding: The extended Mori-Tanaka method for uniaxial tension. *International Journal of Fracture* 146 (3), 139–148.

### Computational Method

Cohesive surface elements

## **Finite Element Analysis**



## Assumptions

- Reduced to 2D Problem
  - Plane strain
- Quarter domain



Symmetry boundary conditions of unit cell

- Poisson's ratio = 0.25
- Cohesive surface elements are inserted along the interface

## **Finite Element Mesh**



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## **Effect of Cohesive Strength**



### **Micromechanics (Analytical)**

D. Ngo, K. Park, G.H. Paulino, and Y. Huang, 2009, On the constitutive relation of materials with microstructure using the PPR potential-based cohesive model for interface interaction, Engineering Fracture Mechanics (submitted).

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### Fracture Parameters

G (N/m)	T <sub>max</sub> (MPa)	Shape	Slope
5	25	3	0.04



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# **Topological Operators**

### Nodal Perturbation







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# **Adaptive Mesh Refinement & Coarsening**

## Edge-Split

Adaptive mesh refinement based on a priori knowledge







### Vertex-Removal (or Edge-Collapse)

 Adaptive mesh coarsening based on a posteriori error estimation, i.e. root mean square of strain error







K. Park, G.H. Paulino, W. Celes, and R. Espinha, 2009, Adaptive mesh refinement and coarsening for cohesive dynamic fracture, (in preparation).

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# **Topology-based Data Structure (TopS)**

### Complete Topological Data & Reduced Representation

- Support for Adaptive Analysis
- Client-Server Architecture
  - Separate computational mechanics from data representation



• W. Celes, G.H. Paulino, R. Espinha, 2005, A compact adjacency-based topological data structure for finite element mesh representation, IJNME 64(11), 1529-1556

• G. H. Paulino, W. Celes, R. Espinha, Z. Zhang, 2008, A general topology-based framework for adaptive insertion of cohesive elements in finite element meshes, EWC 24, 59-78

• K. Park, G.H. Paulino, W. Celes, and R. Espinha, 2009, Adaptive dynamic cohesive fracture simulation using edgeswap and nodal perturbation operators, International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering (submitted).



# **Explicit Time Integration**

### Initialization: displacement, velocity, acceleration

## for n = 0 to $n_{\text{max}}$ do

- Update displacement:  $\mathbf{u}_{n+1} = \mathbf{u}_n + \Delta t \dot{\mathbf{u}}_n + \Delta t^2 / 2 \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_n$
- Adaptive mesh coarsening (vertex-removal)
- Check the insertion of cohesive element (edge-swap)
- Update acceleration:  $\ddot{\mathbf{u}}_{n+1} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}(\mathbf{R}_{n+1}^{ext} + \mathbf{R}_{n+1}^{coh} \mathbf{R}_{n+1}^{int})$
- Update velocity:  $\dot{\mathbf{u}}_{n+1} = \dot{\mathbf{u}}_n + \Delta t/2(\ddot{\mathbf{u}}_n + \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_{n+1})$
- Update boundary conditions
- Adaptive mesh refinement (edge-split, nodal perturbation)

end

## **Micro-Branching Experiment**



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## **Computational Results**







## **Computational Results**

**Crack Velocity** 

### **Energy Evolution** ( $\epsilon_0$ =0.015)



## **Fragmentation Problem**



## **Computational Results**







## **Mode I Pre-defined Crack Propagation**



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## **Computational Results**

### Uniform Mesh Refinement

- 400x40 mesh grid
- Element size: 5µm
- 64000 elements, 128881 nodes

### Adaptive Mesh Refinement

- 100x10 mesh grid
- Element size: 20~5µm
- 4448 elements, 9147 nodes



## **Computational Results (AMR)**



## **Computational Results (AMR+C)**



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## **Mixed-Mode Crack Propagation**

### Kalthoff-Winkler's Experiments



## **Finite Element Mesh**

### Initial Discretization



Animations (FE Mesh & Strain energy)

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## **Computational Results**

#### 3000 Crack speed Rayleigh wave speed crack propagation speed (m/s) 2500 2000 Crack velocity (m/s)1500 1000 500 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 time (us)

**Previous results (X-FEM)** 

Belytschko, T., Chen, H., Xu, J., Zi, G., 2003. Dynamic crack propagation based on loss of hyperbolicity and a new discontinuous enrichment. *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering* 58 (12), 1873–1905.

### Crack Velocity



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## **Branching Problem**



Elastic modulus: 32GPa Poisson's ratio: 0.2 Density: 2450 kg/m<sup>3</sup> Fracture energy: 3N/m Cohesive strength: 12 MPa

# **Computational Results**



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  - Micro-branching and fragmentation
  - Mode I predefined crack, mixed-mode and branching
- Virtual Internal Pair-Bond (VIPB) Model

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### □ The potential-based constitutive model

- Consistent boundary conditions
- Physical fracture parameters

### Adaptive operators

- Insertion of cohesive elements (Extrinsic model)
- Nodal perturbation, Edge-swap
- Edge-split, Vertex-removal

Effective and efficient computational framework to simulate physical phenomena associated with quasistatic fracture, dynamic fracture, branching, and fragmentation problems

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