Spacetime Interfacial Damage Model for Elastodynamic Fracture with Riemann Contact Conditions

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Features of spacetime discontinuous Galerkin finite element methods

- Inter-element discontinuous basis functions
 - Solution Weak enforcement of balance/conservation jump conditions in spacetime (e.g., Rankine–Hugoniot conditions for conservation laws)
 - Enables exact conservation per element and O(N) complexity for hyperbolic problems



Features of spacetime discontinuous Galerkin finite element methods

- Direct discretization of spacetime
 - Replaces separate temporal integration
 - Unstructured spacetime mesh eliminates tangling in moving–boundary problems
 - Unambiguous numerical framework for initial/ boundary conditions (vs. finite volume, finite difference)



Causal Spacetime Mesh and O(N)Advancing-Front Solution Strategy



Tent Pitcher: causal spacetime meshing

- Given a space mesh, Tent Pitcher constructs a spacetime mesh such that every facet on sequence of advancing fronts is spacelike (patch height bounded by causality constraint)
 - Similar to CFL condition, except entirely *local* and not related to stability (required for O(N) solution)





causality constraint

Tent Pitcher: patch-by-patch meshing & solution

- Patches ('tents') of tetrahedra; solve immediately for O(N) method with rich parallel structure
- Maintain "space mesh" as advancing, space-like front with non-uniform time coordinates



Force-like fields

(d,d+1-forms with vector coefficients)

- Body force ((d+1)-form): $\boldsymbol{b} = \boldsymbol{b}\boldsymbol{\Omega}$
- Spacetime momentum flux (*d*-form): $M = p \sigma$

 $M|_{\Gamma} = \text{linear momentum flux across } d-\text{manifold } \Gamma$

- Linear momentum density: $p = p \star dt$
- Stress/traction: $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma} \wedge \star \mathbf{dx}$
- Stokes Theorem: $\int_{\partial \mathcal{Q}} M = \int_{\mathcal{Q}} dM$

Momentum Balance

• Integral form of linear momentum balance:

$$\int_{\partial Q} \boldsymbol{M} = \int_{Q} \rho \boldsymbol{b} \quad \forall Q \subset D$$
$$\int_{Q} (\boldsymbol{dM} - \rho \boldsymbol{b}) = \boldsymbol{0} \quad \forall Q \subset D \quad \text{(Stokes Thm.)}$$

• Local form with jump part:

Adaptive refinement



More adaptive meshing

- New spacetime adaptive meshing operations:
 - Edge flip; vertex deletion; inclined tent poles (ALE) for smoothing, tracking and repositioning
 - Spacetime format eliminates projection error



Energy balance and dissipation error indicator for adaptive meshing

• On every spacetime element Q, SDG solution satisfies:

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Right hand side is non-negative numerical dissipation for Q.

• To control adaptively the numerical dissipation, we use the elementwise error indicator:

 $\varphi^Q \approx \operatorname{tol}_{\varphi}$

Cohesive error measure and adaptive error indicator

• Cohesive energy error on cohesive surface trajectory, Γ^{C} :

$$\epsilon_{\rm C} = \left\| \left(\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{t}_{\rm coh} \right) \cdot \mathbf{v} \right\|_{L_1(\Gamma^{\rm C})}$$

• Cohesive error indicator for element Q:

$$\epsilon_{\mathrm{C}}^{Q} = \left\| \left(\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{t}_{\mathrm{coh}} \right) \cdot \mathbf{v} \right\|_{L_{1}(\partial Q_{\mathrm{coh}})} \approx \mathrm{tol}_{\mathrm{c}}$$



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Delay Damage Evolution Cohesive Model

D = Area fraction of debonded surface



Mesoscopic interface subdivisions



Contact conditions

- Common numerical idealizations of contact
 - Discrete models goal is to prevent node penetration
 - Elastostatic contact conditions
 - Penalty methods and other inexact formulations
 - $\mathbf{s} = f(\Delta \mathbf{u}) = K \Delta \mathbf{u} (\Delta \mathbf{u} < 0)$ but $\Delta \mathbf{u} = 0!$
 - Approach exact solution for large $K \Rightarrow$ divergence
 - Variational Inequality/Lagrange multiplier methods
 - Lagrange variables increase the problem size
 - typically require an implicit solution scheme

Riemann Contact/Separation Solutions



- Direct solution from momentum balance and compatibility jump conditions
- Matching conditions at material interface
- Preserves characteristic structure of solution
- Weak enforcement of the continuum, dynamic jump conditions converges to correct result

Interface Matching condition Bonded and contact-stick

• Matching conditions

• Riemann Solution

- Momentum: $\llbracket \mathbf{\breve{s}} \rrbracket = 0$
- Compatibility: $\llbracket \breve{\mathbf{v}} \rrbracket = 0$

 $- \underline{s}^{jI} = \llbracket \underline{w}^{(j)} / \rho \underline{c}^{(j)} \rrbracket / \llbracket (\rho \underline{c}^{(j)})^{-1} \rrbracket$ $- \underline{v}^{I}_{j} = \llbracket \underline{w}^{(j)} \rrbracket / \llbracket (\rho \underline{c}^{(j)})^{-1} \rrbracket$

- Contact-stick and bonded solutions are identical
- Contact-stick and separation solutions are physically distinct:
 Contact-stick
 Separation
 - $\Delta \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} \qquad \qquad \Delta \mathbf{u} = ?$ $\mathbf{s} = ? \qquad \qquad \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{0} \quad or \quad \mathbf{s} = f(\Delta \mathbf{u})(TSL)$

Interface Matching condition Contact-slip

• Matching conditions

- Momentum: $\llbracket \mathbf{\breve{s}} \rrbracket = 0$
- Compatibility: $\llbracket \underline{\breve{v}}_1 \rrbracket = 0$
- Coulomb's law: $\underline{s}^{jII} = k\langle -\underline{s}_I^1 \rangle_+ (e_{\breve{v}})^j \ j \neq 1$
- Riemann Solution

$$\underline{s}^{jII} = \begin{cases} \underline{s}^{1I} & j = 1\\ k\langle -\underline{s}_{I}^{1} \rangle_{+} (e_{\tau_{I}})^{j} & j \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{v}_{j}^{II} = \begin{cases} \underline{v}_{1}^{I} & j = 1, \\ \underline{w}^{(j)} / \rho \underline{c}^{(j)} - \underline{s}^{jII} / \rho \underline{c}^{(j)} = \underline{\check{v}}_{j} + \left(\underline{\check{s}}^{j} - \underline{s}^{jII}\right) / \rho \underline{c}^{(j)} & j \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

• Slip velocity $\llbracket \breve{\mathbf{v}} \rrbracket \to \mathbf{0}$ at stick-slip transition \Rightarrow Discontinuous response from $(e_{\breve{\mathbf{v}}})^j$

- many regularizations proposed to solve the problem (Karnopp, Mostaghel, Quinn)
- $\tau_I > 0$ at stick-slip transition \Rightarrow Continuous response from $\tau_I > 0$

Interface Matching condition Separation

- Matching conditions
 - Momentum and constitutive equation: $\breve{\mathbf{s}} = \mathbf{0}$
 - No compatibility condition
- Riemann Solution

$$-\mathbf{s}^{I\!I\!I} = \mathbf{0}$$
$$-\underline{v}^{I\!I\!I}_{j} = \frac{\underline{w}^{(j)}}{\rho \underline{c}^{(j)}}$$

Mesoscopic subdivision Damaged area (D)

- General Properties of Damage parameter
 - Nondecreasing (irreversible process)
 - Stress Induced (Ravi-Chandar, Yang 1997)
 - Exact Bonded solution is recovered for D = 0
 - Stress free (crack) surface condition at D = I
- Rate Dependent damage model
 - Hardening effects at high strain rates (experimental results from Fineberg and Marder 1999)
 - Introduces a fracture related length scale
 - Mesh dependency of static damage models (strain softening failure, Bazant and Belytschko 1984)

Damage Evolution

Follow delay damage evolution model of Allix, Feissel and Thévenet:

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\sigma} &= \frac{\sqrt{\sigma_{\rm N}^2 + (\beta \sigma_{\rm T})^2}}{\sigma_{\rm c}} & \text{normalized effective stress} \\ \bar{D} &= f(\tilde{\sigma}) & \text{static damage value} \\ \dot{D} &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\tau} \left[1 - H(\langle f(\tilde{\sigma}) - D \rangle_+) \right] \text{ if } D < 1 \\ 0 \text{ if } D &= 1 \end{cases} & \text{damage evolution law} \end{split}$$

where τ is a *characteristic time scale* for debonding, and H(0) = 1 and $\lim_{x\to\infty} H(x) = 0$. We use

$$H(x) = e^{-ax}$$

This model implies

 $D = \bar{D} \Rightarrow \dot{D} = 0$

Mesoscopic subdivision Contact area (η)

- Contact/Separation transition may introduce shocks in tractions and velocities
- Regularization is required for shock capturing schemes
- Regularization is based on normal contact traction and macroscopic traction
- A minimum separation value of r_c is ensured in the regularized model
- Surface toughness may provide physical regularization
- No regularization is required for stick-slip areas



Crack closure example: brittle fracture under cyclic, dynamic loading conditions



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Solution-dependent crack paths

- Inclined tent poles, edge bisection and smoothing extend cohesive zone in any desired direction
- Effective stress criterion for extending cohesive surface
 - maximum value determines direction for extension
- Nucleation + coalescence = branching
 - Probabilistic nucleation criterion models random defects
 - Introducing cohesive surface does not affect behavior until damage accumulates



Solution-dependent crack propagation Geometry and Loading



transmitting boundary



• E = 3.24 GPa.

PMMA:

- $\rho = 1190 \frac{Kg}{m^3}$.
- w = 0.020 MPa.
- $\tau = 10^{-2} \mu s$.

based on Sharon and Fineberg experiment (1996)

Refinement Details: I x zoom



Refinement Details: 25 x zoom



Refinement Details: 100 x zoom



Refinement Details: 200 x zoom



Refinement Details: 2000 x zoom



Same problem with crack closure contact model, random defects and nucleation

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Effect of contact conditions on crack path



Surface roughening at high crack velocities

- Almost uniform hoop stress distribution at $\dot{a} > 2/3c_{\rm R}$ (Yoffe, 1951)
- Experimentally observed roughness on crack surface (Smekal, 1953; Kerkhof, 1973; Sharon and Fineberg, 1996)
- Surface roughening and branching instabilities in dynamic fracture; Phenomenological wavy crack path (Gao, 1992)
- Dynamical stability of a propagating crack: Obrezanova (2002) at $\dot{a}>1/3c_{\rm R}$ crack may admit one or more oscillatory modes of instability
- Stability of dynamically propagating cracks in brittle materials: Uenishi et. al. (2001): Surface roughness induced by increase of crack velocity

Single crack velocity agreement with experiments

- Material degradation and energy loss due to induced heat should be contributed in the model (Sharon and Fineberg 1996)
- Bulk material dissipative and damage models to be incorporated
- Material degradation around the crack tip, the high inertia zone, and subsequent drop in wave speed (Ravi et. al., 2007)
- Surface tension or hardness in computing the limiting velocity, Kerkhof (1997)



Summary

- Robust adaptive model for crack growth
 - Ensures accurate rendering of cohesive models
 - Eliminates all mesh-dependence effects
 - Supports nucleation
 - Captures multi-scale behavior
 - Captures the details of crack propagation (Branching, micro branching, surface roughening)
- New dynamic, continuum contact formulation
- Open physical modeling issues
 - Crack acceleration too rapid (typical of cohesive models)
 - Branching pattern does not completely match experiment
 - Some aspects heuristic, but have framework for developing