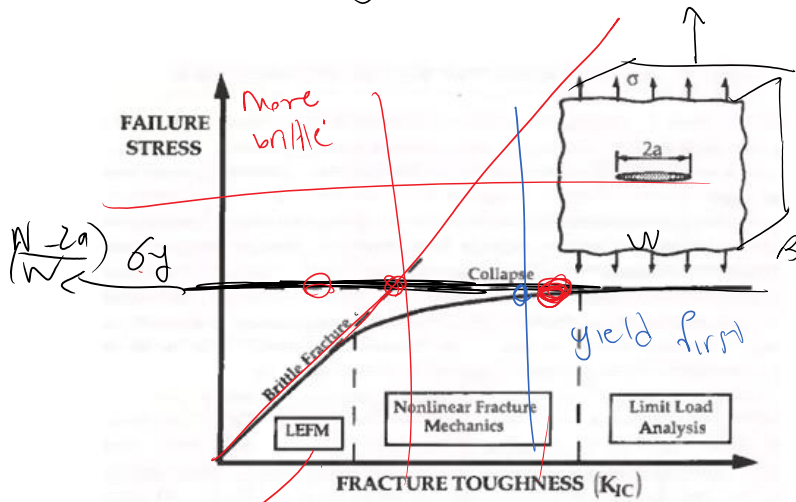


5.3. 7. Fracture mechanics versus material (plastic strength)

Mechanical source of failure of a specimen / material:

1. Fracture
2. Fatigue
3. Plastic yielding
4. Buckling

Plastic yielding



$$(W-2a)B \sigma_y = F = \sigma B W$$

$$\rightarrow \sigma_{Max} = \left(\frac{W-2a}{W}\right) \sigma_y$$

yielding

$$K = f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right) \sqrt{\sigma a} \rightarrow$$

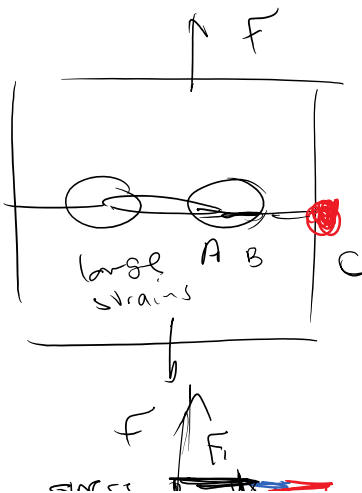
$$\sigma_{fracture} = \frac{K_{Ic}}{f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right) \sqrt{a}}$$

$\frac{K}{\sqrt{a}} / \sigma_y$ is low

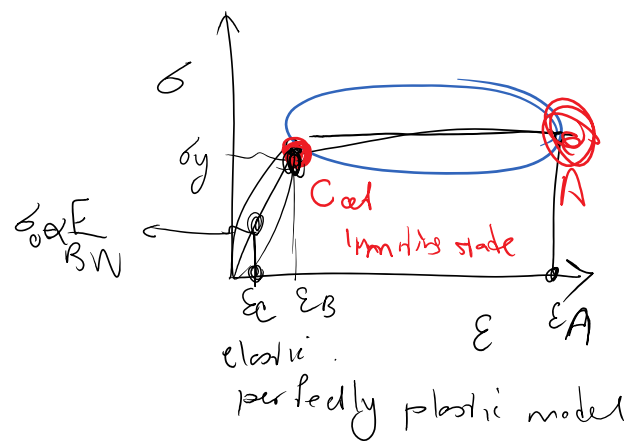
more ductile
 K_{Ic} high
 σ_y lower

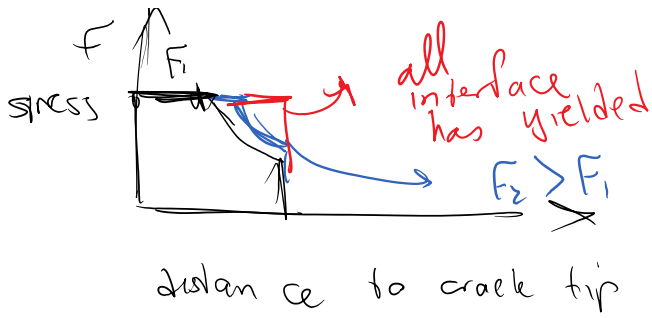
it fractures first

"many times failure mechanism for brittle materials"

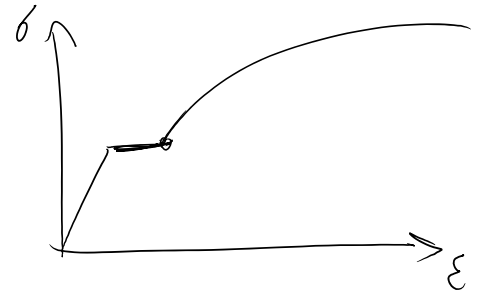


all interface, not



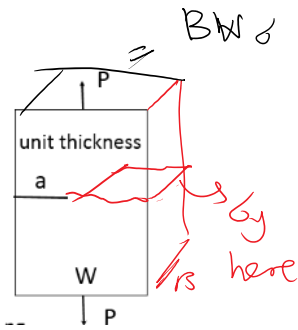


perfectly plastic model



yielding max load:

— assume all interface is yielded



$$P_{yielding} = B(W-a) \sigma_y$$

$$a \rightarrow W \quad P_{yielding} \rightarrow 0$$

for fracture $\sigma = \frac{P}{\text{total area}} = \frac{P}{BW}$

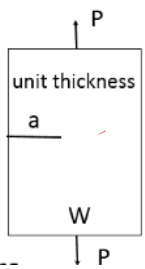
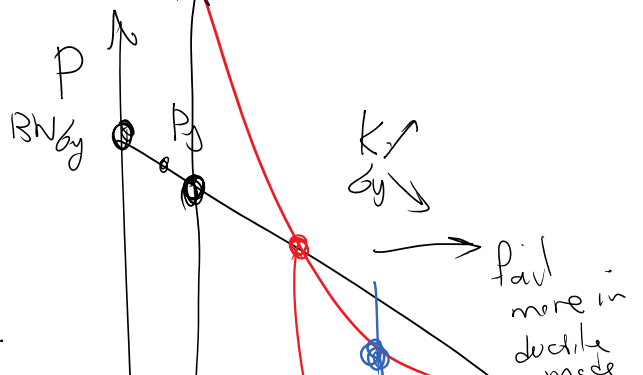
$$K = \sigma \sqrt{\pi a} f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right) @ \text{ failure}$$

$$K_{IC} = \sigma_f \sqrt{\pi a} f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right) \Rightarrow$$

$$\sigma_f = \frac{K_{IC}}{\sqrt{\pi a} f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right)}$$

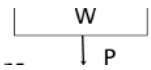
$$P_f = BW \sigma_f$$

$P_{fracture}$



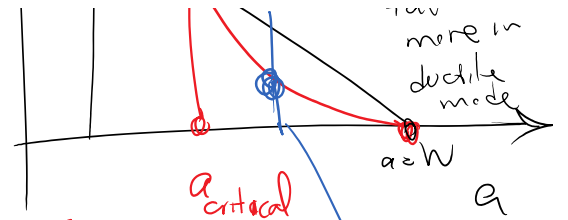
$$P_{yield} = B(W-a) \sigma_y$$

$$P_{frac.} = \frac{K_{IC} BW}{\sqrt{\pi a} f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right)}$$



$$f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right)$$

$$f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } a \rightarrow W$$



$a < a_{critical}$
 it yields first
 ductile fracture

$a > a_{crit}$
 it fractures first
 brittle fracture

Example 4.11 Estimate the failure load under uniaxial tension for a centre-cracked panel of aluminium alloy of width $W=500$ mm, and thickness $B=4$ mm, for the following values of crack length $2a = 20$ mm and $2a = 100$ mm. Yield stress $\sigma_y = 350$ MPa and fracture toughness $K_{Ic} = 70 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$

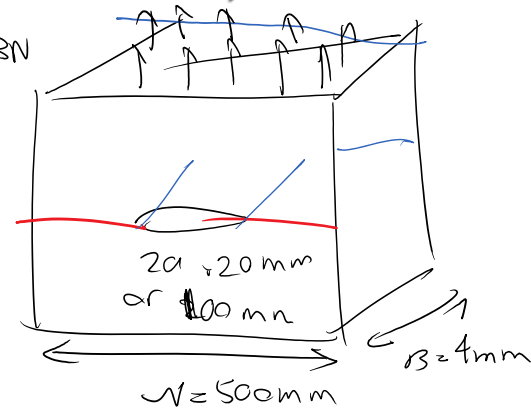
MPa and fracture toughness $K_{Ic} = 70 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$

$$K_{Ic} = 70 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$$

$$\sigma_y = 350 \text{ MPa}$$

$a = 20$ or 100 mm which failure mode dominates in each case?

$$F_f = \sigma_f \cdot B \cdot W$$



$$2a = 20 \text{ mm}$$

$$F_{yield} = \sigma_y \times (W - 2a) \times B = 350 \text{ MPa} \times (500 - 20) \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} \times 4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

$$\rightarrow F_{yield} = 672 \text{ kN}$$

Fracture

$$K = \sigma \sqrt{\pi a} f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right) \Rightarrow \text{at fracture state}$$

$$\sigma_f = \frac{K_{Ic}}{\sqrt{\pi a} f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right)} = \frac{70 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}}{\sqrt{\pi \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}} \times \sec\left(\frac{\pi \times 10}{500}\right)} = 394.6 \text{ MPa}$$

$$F_f = \sigma_f \times B \times W \Rightarrow F_f = 790 \text{ kN}$$

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for $a = 10m$ it will yield first ($F_{max} = F_{yield} = 672kN$)

for $2a = 100mm$

$$F_{yield} = 560kN$$

$$F_p = 172.2kN$$

it will fracture first.

6. Computational fracture mechanics

6.1. Fracture mechanics in Finite Element Methods

6.2. Traction Separation Relations (TSRs)

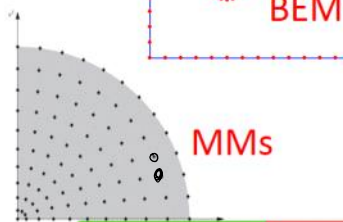
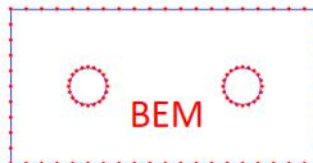
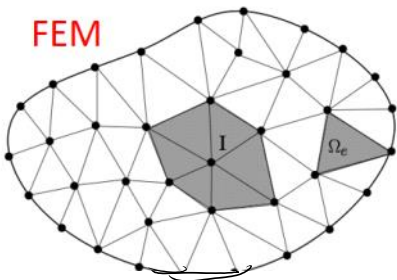
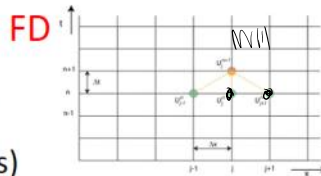
6.1 Fracture mechanics in Finite Element Methods (FEM)

- 6.1.1. Introduction to Finite Element method
- 6.1.2. Singular stress finite elements
- 6.1.3. Extraction of K (SIF), G
- 6.1.4. J integral
- 6.1.5. Finite Element mesh design for fracture mechanics
- 6.1.6. Computational crack growth
- 6.1.7. Extended Finite Element Method (XFEM)

Numerical methods for solving PDEs

Numerical methods to solve PDEs

- Finite Difference (FD) & Finite Volume (FV) methods
- FEM (Finite Element Method)
- BEM (Boundary Element Method)
- MMs (Meshless/Meshfree methods)

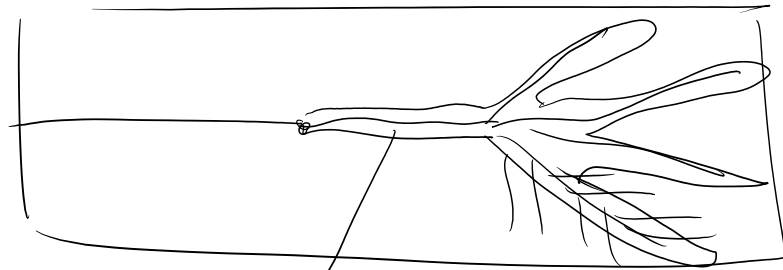


How failure is modeled in computational setting:

$\sigma < \sigma_c$ $\sigma = \sigma_c$ $\sigma > \sigma_c$

How failure is modeled in computational setting:

1. Bulk damage & phase field methods



thick finite thickness regions approximate

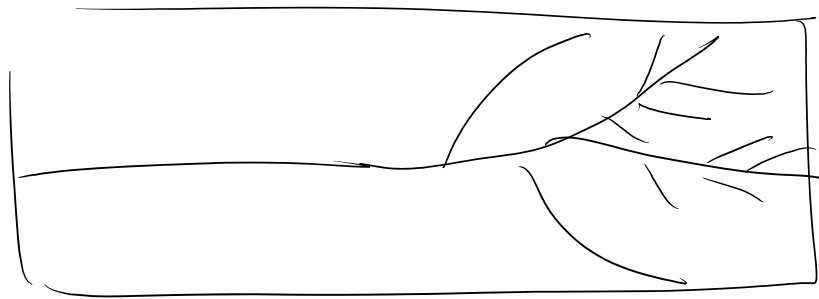
for bulk damage

$$\sigma = (1 - D) C \epsilon$$

cracks
elastic strain

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Damage parameter

2. Sharp interface models



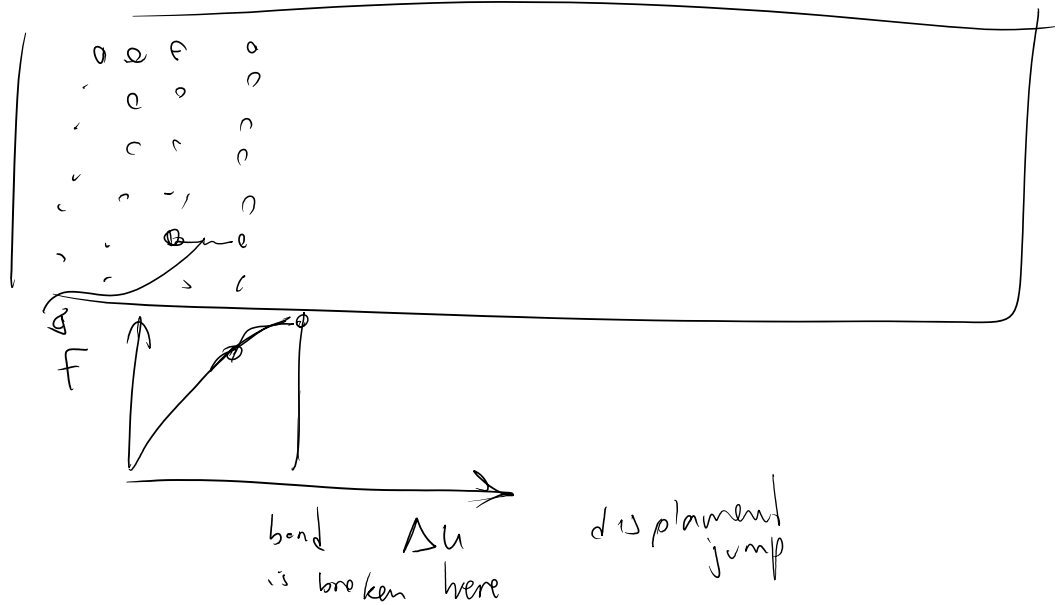
Some equations govern crack nucleation & propagation

- LEFM / PFM ✓
- Traction Separation Relations ✓
- Interfacial damage model ○

Interfacial damage model

3. Discrete models:

Material is treated as a collection of interacting particles, similar to Molecular Dynamics



Peridynamics

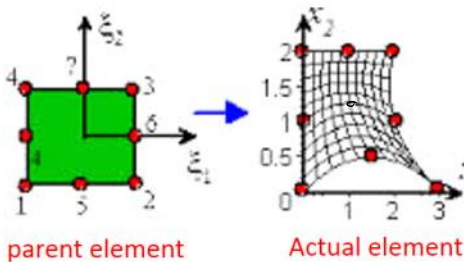
Discrete element

(rock mechanics) particles
 specific geometry
 can be elastic or rigid

A diagram shows a single particle represented as a pentagon with dashed lines, indicating its specific geometry.

We will only cover sharp interface models through LEFM and TSRs

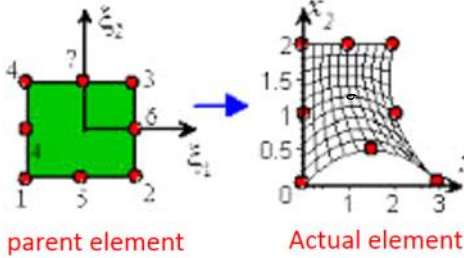
Isoparametric Elements



- Geometry is mapped from a parent element to the actual element
- The same interpolation is used for geometry mapping and FEM solution (in the figure 2nd order shape functions are used for solution and geometry)
- Geometry map and solution are expressed in terms of ξ

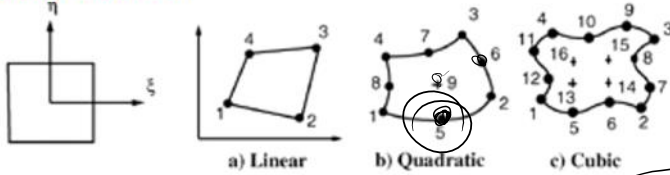
Order of element

Isoparametric Elements

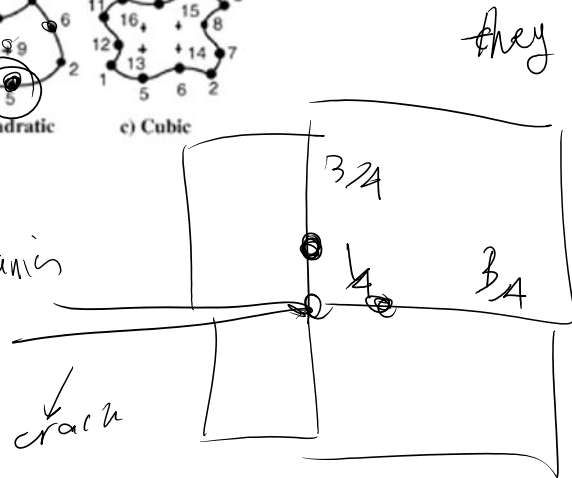


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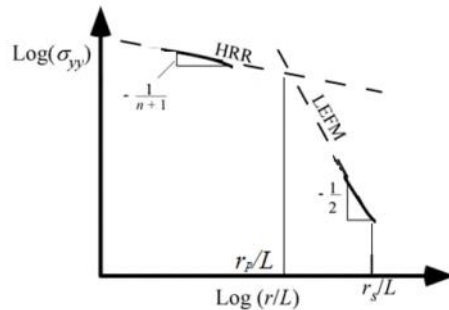
Order of element



in Fracture Mechanics



Singular crack tip solutions



$$\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_0 \left(\frac{EJ}{\alpha \sigma_0^2 I_n r} \right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \bar{\sigma}_{ij}(n, \theta)$$

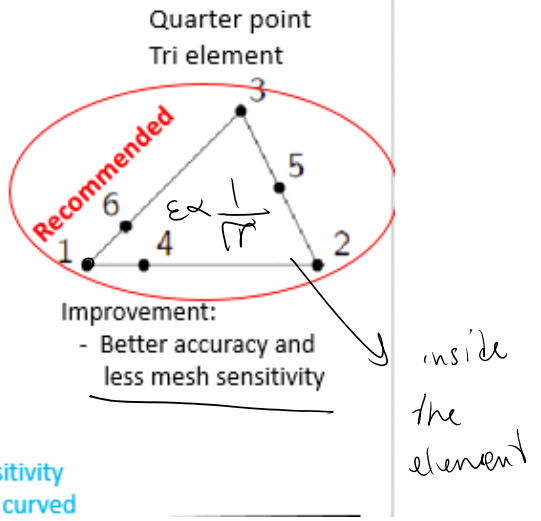
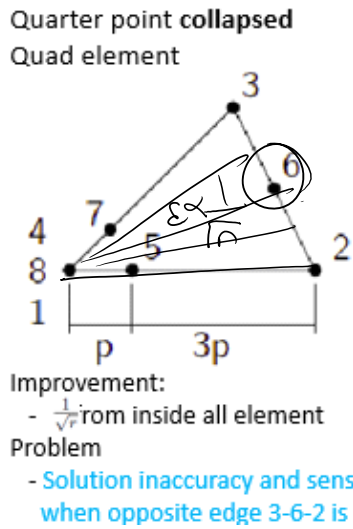
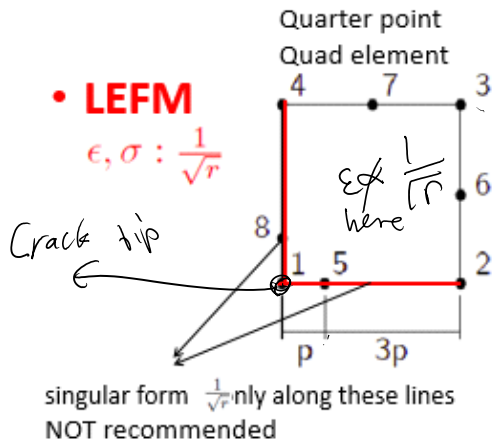
$$\epsilon_{ij} = \frac{\alpha \sigma_0}{E} \left(\frac{EJ}{\alpha \sigma_0^2 I_n r} \right)^{\frac{n}{n+1}} \bar{\epsilon}_{ij}(n, \theta)$$

- **NLFM (PFM):** For HRR solution stress $\frac{1}{r^{n+1}}$ and strain $\frac{1}{r^{n+1}}$ are still singular \Rightarrow
- for elastic-perfectly plastic ($n \rightarrow \infty$) stress is bounded and strain is $\frac{1}{r}$ singular

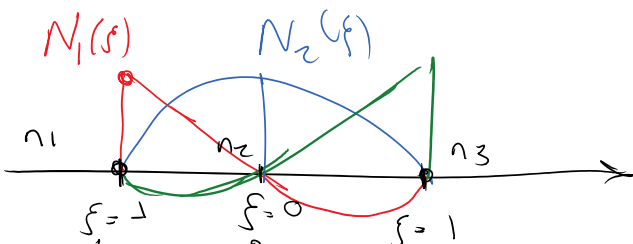
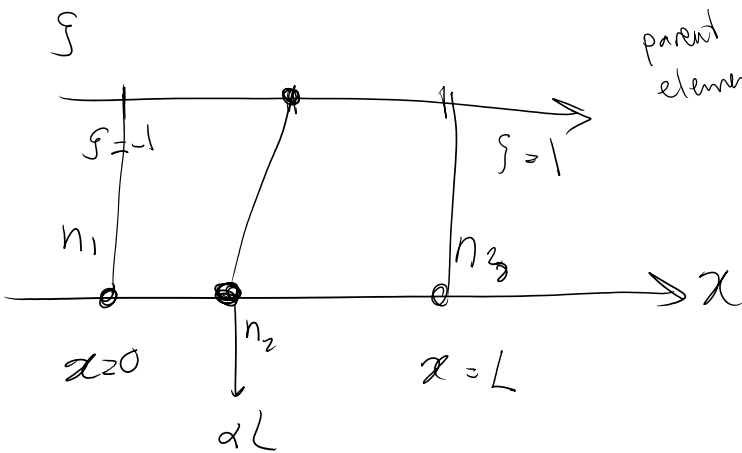
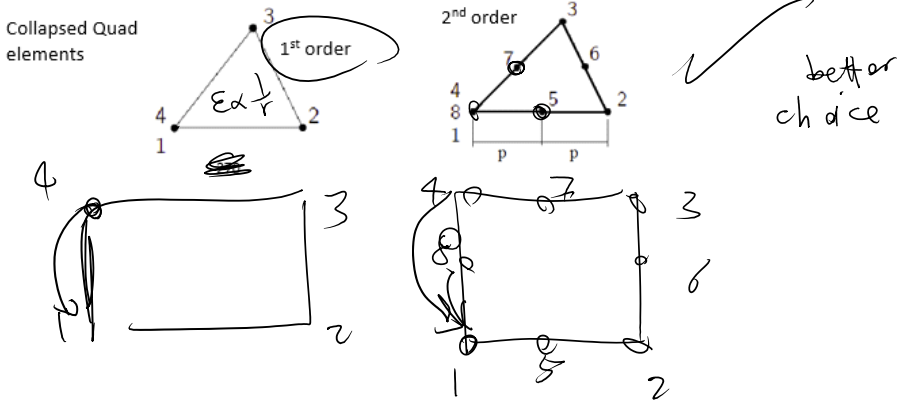
Linear Elastic FM (LEFM) ϵ & $\sigma \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}}$
 (n=1 above)

A. LEFM: reproducing $1/\sqrt{r}$ singularity for strain:

Isoparametric singular elements



B. $1/r$ singularity for elastic perfectly plastic



$$N_1(\xi) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_3)}{(\xi_1 - \xi_2)(\xi_1 - \xi_3)}$$

$$N_1(\xi_2) = N_1(\xi_3) = 0$$

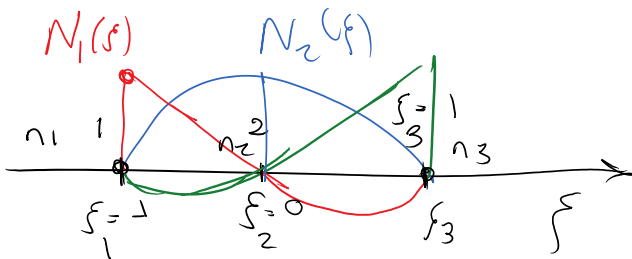
$$N_1(\xi_1) = 1$$

$$\xi = -1 \quad \xi = 0 \quad \xi = 1$$

$$N_2(\xi) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_3)}{(\xi_2 - \xi_1)(\xi_2 - \xi_3)} = 1 - \xi^2$$

$$N_1(\xi) = \frac{(\xi - 0)(\xi - 1)}{(-1 - 0)(-1 - 1)} = \frac{\xi(\xi - 1)}{2}$$

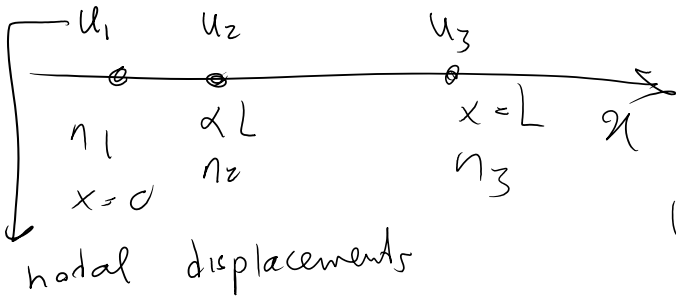
$$N_3(\xi) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_2)}{(\xi_3 - \xi_1)(\xi_3 - \xi_2)} = \frac{\xi(\xi + 1)}{2}$$



$$N_1(\xi) = \frac{\xi(\xi - 1)}{2}$$

$$N_2(\xi) = 1 - \xi^2$$

$$N_3(\xi) = \frac{\xi(\xi + 1)}{2}$$



$$u(\xi) = u_1 N_1(\xi) + u_2 N_2(\xi) + u_3 N_3(\xi)$$

$$u(\xi_i) = u_1 \underbrace{N_1(\xi_i)}_1 + u_2 \underbrace{N_2(\xi_i)}_0 + u_3 \underbrace{N_3(\xi_i)}_0 = u_1$$

$$u(\xi_i) = u_i$$

$$u(\xi) = \left\{ u_1 \left(\frac{\xi(\xi - 1)}{2} \right) + u_2 (1 - \xi^2) + u_3 \left(\frac{\xi(\xi + 1)}{2} \right) \right\}$$

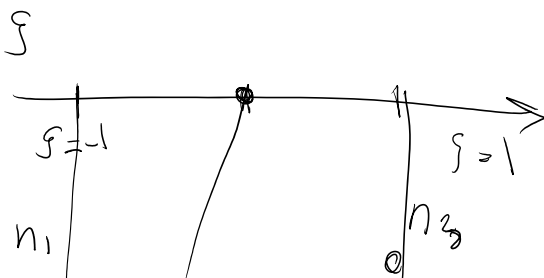
$$\epsilon = \frac{du(\xi)}{dx}$$

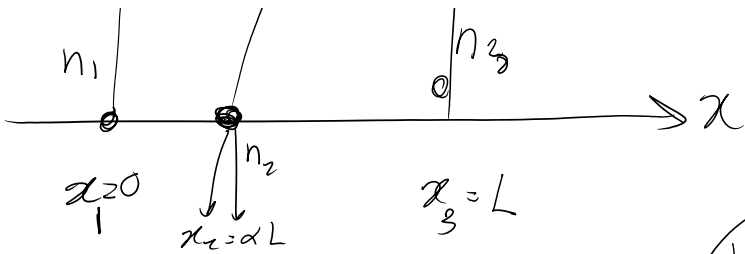
we want

$$\epsilon \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{at } x \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{or } \xi \rightarrow -1$$





$$x=0$$

$$x_i = \alpha L$$

$$x_3 = L$$

$$E = \frac{dU(\mathcal{F})}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{dU(\mathcal{F})}{d\mathcal{F}}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{F}}{dx}$$

?

$$\mathcal{F}(x) \rightarrow x(\mathcal{F})$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{F}}{dx} = \frac{1}{\frac{dx}{d\mathcal{F}}}$$

$$x = x_1 N_1(\mathcal{F}) + x_2 N_2(\mathcal{F}) + x_3 N_3(\mathcal{F})$$

$$x(\mathcal{F}_1) = x_1$$

$$x(\mathcal{F}_2) = x_2$$

$$x(\mathcal{F}_3) = x_3$$