

# Perturbation models for interfacial cracks

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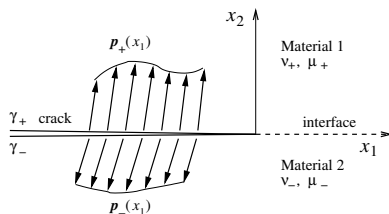
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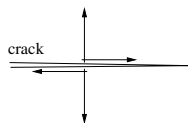
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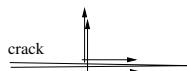
- Bi-material plane
- Perfect interface:  $[\mathbf{u}] = 0$ ,  $[\mathbf{t}_2] = 0$ , for  $x_1 > 0$ .
- 2D half-plane crack along the interface
- The loading is self-balanced but **NOT** symmetrical:

$$\int_{\gamma_+} \mathbf{p}_+ + \int_{\gamma_-} \mathbf{p}_- = 0, \quad \int_{\gamma_+} \mathbf{x} \wedge \mathbf{p}_+ + \int_{\gamma_-} \mathbf{x} \wedge \mathbf{p}_- = 0,$$

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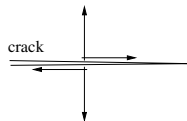
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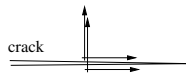
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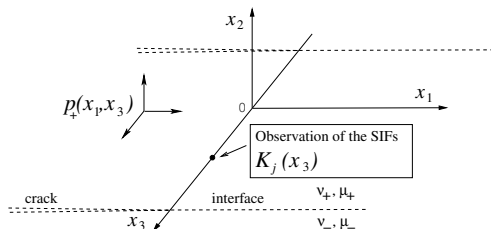
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## Questions

- Does the **skew-symmetric component** produce any stress concentration at the crack tip?
- Can we compute the SIFs (and possibly higher-order terms) for a general **asymmetrical** distribution of forces?



- Bi-material space
- The loading is a function of  $x_3$ :

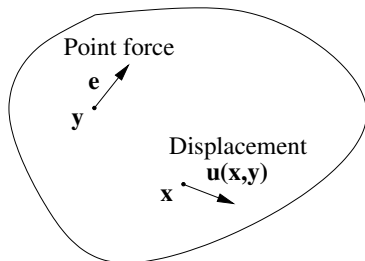
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- The SIFs are functions of  $x_3$ :

$$\begin{cases} K(x_3) = K_I(x_3) + iK_{II}(x_3) & \text{[complex SIF]} \\ K_{III} = K_{III}(x_3) \end{cases}$$

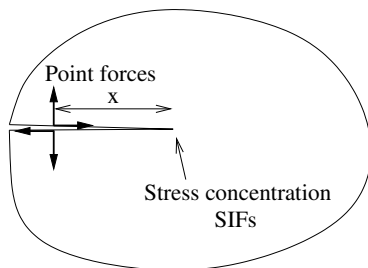
## Green's function

Solution of the displacement field at point  $\mathbf{x}$  produced by a unit concentrated body force  $\mathbf{e}$  located at point  $\mathbf{y}$ .



$$u_i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})e_j$$

$$G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{16\pi\mu(1-\nu)r} [(3-4\nu)\delta_{ij} + r_{,i}r_{,j}], \quad \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \quad r = |\mathbf{r}|$$



$$K = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}(1 + i)x^{-1/2}$$

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Fundamental solutions in linear fracture mechanics are known as **weight functions**.



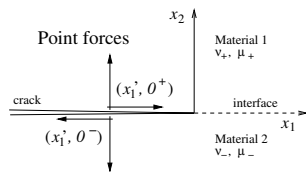
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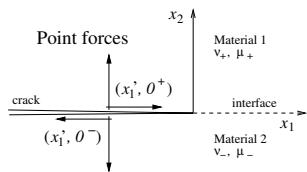
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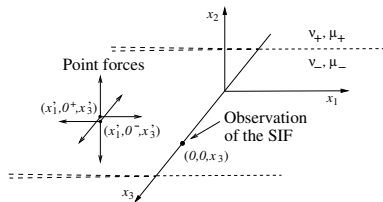
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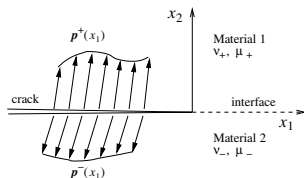
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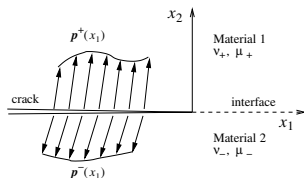
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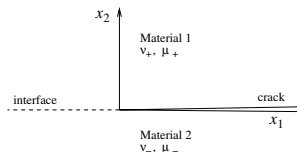


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- solution of **perturbation problems** (load and/or geometrical perturbations)

- Plane strain (Mode I and II)

- **Symmetric weight function matrix:**

$$\begin{cases} \llbracket \mathbf{U} \rrbracket(x_1) = \frac{1}{2d_0\sqrt{2\pi x_1}} \left\{ \frac{x_1^{-i\epsilon}}{c_1^+} \mathbf{B} + \frac{x_1^{i\epsilon}}{c_1^-} \mathbf{B}^\top \right\} & \text{for } x_1 > 0, \\ \llbracket \mathbf{U} \rrbracket(x_1) = 0 & \text{for } x_1 < 0, \end{cases} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -i \\ i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{cases} \langle \mathbf{U} \rangle(x_1) = \frac{\alpha}{2} \llbracket \mathbf{U} \rrbracket(x_1) & \text{for } x_1 > 0, \\ \langle \mathbf{U} \rangle(x_1) = -i \frac{\alpha(d_* - \gamma_*)}{4d_0^3\sqrt{-2\pi x_1}} \left\{ \frac{(-x_1)^{-i\epsilon}}{c_1^+} \mathbf{B} - \frac{(-x_1)^{i\epsilon}}{c_1^-} \mathbf{B}^\top \right\} & \text{for } x_1 < 0, \end{cases}$$

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- **Symmetric weight function:**

$$[[\bar{\mathbf{U}}]^+(\beta, \gamma)] = \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{|\lambda|}\sqrt{\beta + i|\lambda|}} \begin{bmatrix} F_{11}(\beta, \lambda) & F_{12}(\beta, \lambda) & F_{13}(\beta, \lambda) \\ F_{21}(\beta, \lambda) & F_{22}(\beta, \lambda) & F_{23}(\beta, \lambda) \\ F_{31}(\beta, \lambda) & F_{32}(\beta, \lambda) & F_{33}(\beta, \lambda) \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Skew-symmetric weight function:**

$$2\langle \bar{\mathbf{U}} \rangle(\beta, \lambda) = \frac{1}{\beta + i|\lambda|} \mathbf{c}_1^-(\beta) \bar{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}^- + \left( \alpha \mathbf{n}_{12} + \eta \mathbf{n}_3 + \frac{1}{\beta - i|\lambda|} \mathbf{c}_2^+(\beta) \right) [[\bar{\mathbf{U}}]^+,$$

$$\mathbf{c}_1^-(\beta) = \frac{i b \alpha (d_* - \gamma_*)}{\beta - i|\lambda|} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\beta & 0 \\ \beta & 0 & \lambda \\ 0 & -\lambda & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{n}_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

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It is possible to derive the 2D weight functions as limiting case  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ .

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## Answer

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# Material parameters involved in the interfacial crack problem

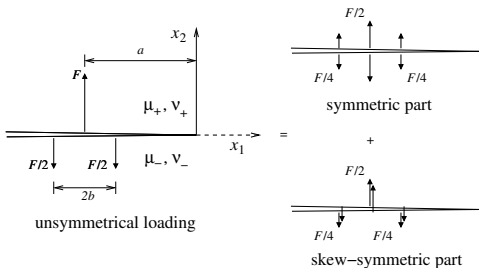
Symmetric weight function $[[\mathbf{U}]]$	Skew-symmetric weight function $\langle \mathbf{U} \rangle$
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$d = \frac{1 - 2\nu_+}{2\mu_+} - \frac{1 - 2\nu_-}{2\mu_-}$	$b\gamma = \frac{1 - 2\nu_+}{2\mu_+} + \frac{1 - 2\nu_-}{2\mu_-}$
$e = \frac{\nu_+}{\mu_+} + \frac{\nu_-}{\mu_-}$	$f = \frac{\nu_+}{\mu_+} - \frac{\nu_-}{\mu_-}$
$d_* = \frac{d}{b} = \frac{\mu_- (1 - 2\nu_+) - \mu_+ (1 - 2\nu_-)}{2\mu_- (1 - \nu_+) + 2\mu_+ (1 - \nu_-)}$	$\gamma_* = \frac{\gamma}{\alpha} = \frac{\mu_- (1 - 2\nu_+) + \mu_+ (1 - 2\nu_-)}{2\mu_- (1 - \nu_+) - 2\mu_+ (1 - \nu_-)}$
$\alpha = \frac{\mu_- (1 - \nu_+) - \mu_+ (1 - \nu_-)}{\mu_- (1 - \nu_+) + \mu_+ (1 - \nu_-)}$	$\eta = \frac{\mu_- - \mu_+}{\mu_- + \mu_+}$

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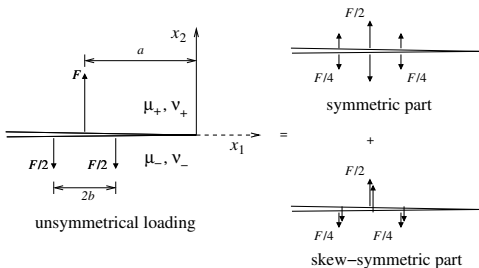
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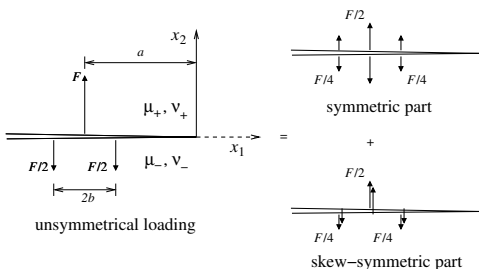


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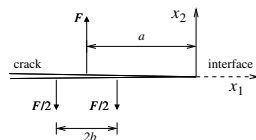
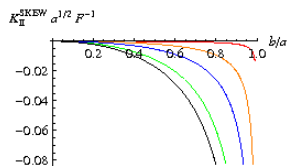
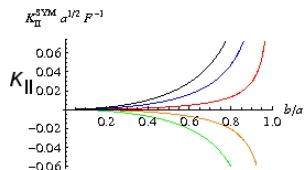
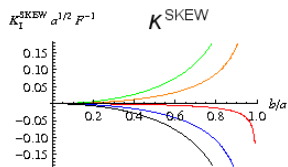
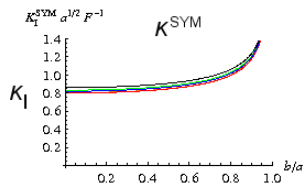
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**Complex SIF:**  $K = K^{\text{SYM}} + K^{\text{SKEW}}$

$$K^{\text{SYM}} = F\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cosh(\pi\epsilon) a^{-1/2-i\epsilon} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}(1 + b/a)^{-1/2-i\epsilon} + \frac{1}{4}(1 - b/a)^{-1/2-i\epsilon} \right\}$$

$$K^{\text{SKEW}} = \alpha F\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cosh(\pi\epsilon) a^{-1/2-i\epsilon} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}(1 + b/a)^{-1/2-i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{4}(1 - b/a)^{-1/2-i\epsilon} \right\}$$

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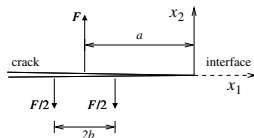
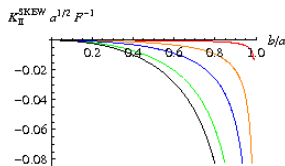
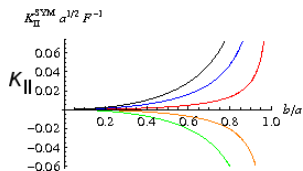
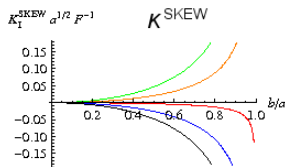
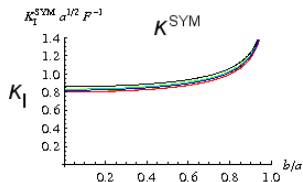


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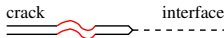
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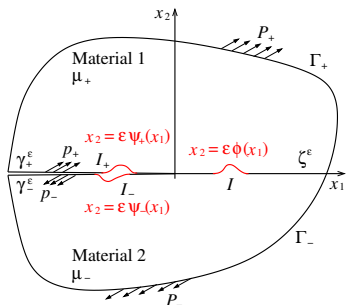


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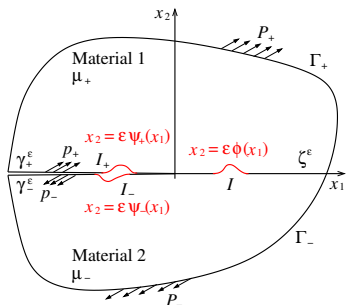
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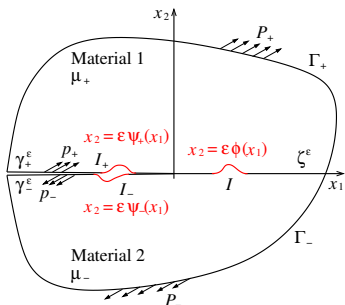
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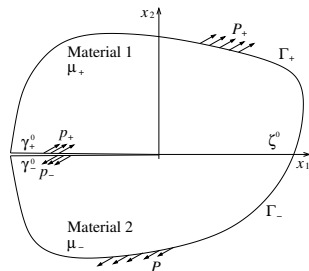
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We assume that the functions  $\psi_{\pm}$ ,  $\phi$  and their derivatives vanish within a finite neighbourhood of the crack tip (**regular perturbation of the boundary**):

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$$K_{III} = K_{III}^{(0)} + \varepsilon K_{III}^{(1)} + O(\varepsilon^2), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

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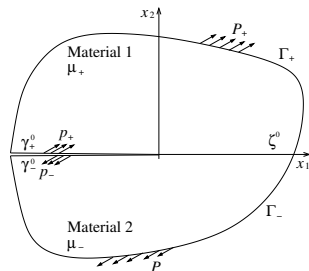


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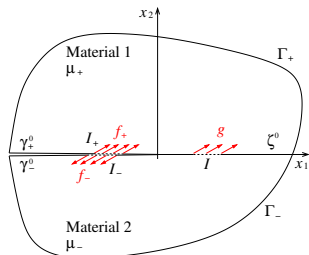
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Effective loading on the crack faces:

$$f_{\pm}(x_1) := \mu_{\pm} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left( \psi_{\pm}(x_1) \frac{\partial u_{(0)}^{\pm}}{\partial x_1} \right)$$

Prescribed discontinuity of displacements along the interface:

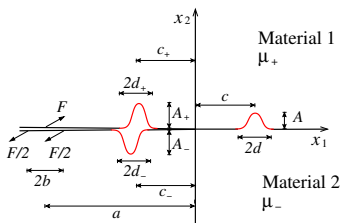
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# Integral formula for $K_{III}^{(1)}$

Knowing the **symmetric** and **skew-symmetric** weight functions we can derive explicitly the **first order variation** of SIFs:

$$K_{III}^{(1)} = \underbrace{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^0 (-x_1)^{-1/2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left\{ \langle f \rangle(x_1) + \frac{\eta}{2} \llbracket f \rrbracket(x_1) \right\} dx_1}_{\text{perturbation of crack faces}} + \underbrace{\frac{\mu_+ \mu_-}{\sqrt{2\pi}(\mu_+ + \mu_-)} \int_0^{\infty} g(x_1) x_1^{-3/2} dx_1}_{\text{perturbation of interface}}$$

Perturbation of crack faces and interface:



Loading:

$$\langle p \rangle(x_1) = \frac{1}{2} \delta(x_1 + a) + \frac{1}{4} \delta(x_1 + a + b) + \frac{1}{4} \delta(x_1 + a - b)$$

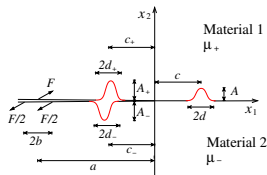
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Perturbations:

$$\psi_{\pm}(x_1) = \pm \frac{A_{\pm}}{d_{\pm}^4} (x_1 + c_{\pm} + d_{\pm})^2 (x_1 + c_{\pm} - d_{\pm})^2$$

$$\phi(x_1) = \frac{A}{d^4} (x_1 + c + d)^2 (x_1 + c - d)^2$$

# Numerical results

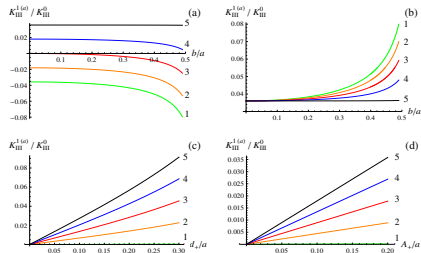


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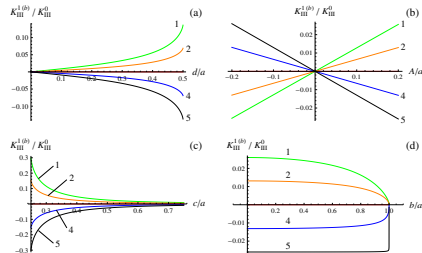
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Numerical results for different material and geometrical parameters:

Perturbation of the crack faces:



Perturbation of the interface:





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  - Skew-symmetric loading **does** produce stress concentration at the crack tip
- How to use weight functions for:
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  - Computation of higher-order terms
  - Solve perturbation problems



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