



## Fiber-Bundle models in fracture A tentative overview



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### The Fiber Bundle Model

Modeling Failure in Materials

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## **Complexity in fracture**



### Elastic response, elastic properties

$$E_{global} \cong mean(E_{local})$$

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### Failure, strength in materials

 $\sigma^{f}_{global}$  mean( $\sigma^{f}_{local}$ )





# causes: stress field distortion by defects and microcracks

- Driven by rare & extreme defects, macroscale sensitivity to microscale inhomogeneities,
- Non-trivial statistics & size effects for strength
- Unpredictability at the macroscale

Not really compatible with continuum engineering mechanics

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## strength [Here on concrete]

Non-trivial size dependency on







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Makinen et al. 2015

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### Sismicity in California, 2012

Bares. 2013

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Failure at the maximum point:

- → Strength  $\sigma_c = \sigma(x_c)$ , so that  $\sigma'(x_c) = 0$
- → Critical damage:  $\rho_c = \rho(x_c)$





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(Tiny) size effect on strength  $\langle \sigma_{\max | N} \rangle = \sigma_c + K/N^{2/3}$ 

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Size distribution fully computable analytically Hansen & Hemmer 1992, 1994

at failure:  $P(S|\sigma_c) \sim S^{-3/2}$ before failure:  $P(S|\sigma) \sim S^{-3/2} \exp(-S(\sigma - \sigma_c))$ 

integrated  $P_{int}(S) \sim S^{-5/2}$ 

Interpretable via random walk

Uniform distribution P(x) = x. N = 100

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Used to interpret creep experiments in eglass bundle instrumented in acoustic From M. Stojanova, PhD, 2015

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highly dependent of P(x)... ... importance:  $x_{min}^c$  and  $P(x \approx x_{min}^c)$ 

- $x_{min}^c = 0, P(x) = x^{\beta}, \beta \to \infty$ infinite disorder, no localization, ELS
- $x_{min}^c = 2/3$ , uniform above, fully localized, single crack growth

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Size effect can be reproduced But depend of P(x),  $x_{min}^c$  and  $P(x \approx x_{min}^c)$ 

Case of uniform distribution, P(x) = x

Numerics, simple estimates:  $\sigma_c \approx 1/\log(N)$ Zhang & Ding, Phys. Lett. A 1994, PRB & 995

More refined:  $\sigma_c \approx \log(\log(N^2))/\log(N^2)$ Hansen et al (Wiley & son, 2015)

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Non-universal size-distributions,

Depend on critical load distribution, P(x)

Zhang & Ding Phys. Lett. A 1994, Pradhan et al. RMP, 2010

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Nomber of failed fibers/*N* 

Stress-strain curve in LLS for uniform distribution,  $P(x^c) = x^c$ , over [0,1]

From Hansen et al. (Wiley & son, 2015)

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When dimensionality increases, LLS-FBM looks more and more to ELS-FBM !

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Size effect on strength at small e, absence of size effect at large e

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### FBM: Soft-clamp model & experiments 🗻

Gjerden, Stormo, Hansen PRL, 2013

#### Interfacial cracks

Maloy et al. PRL 2006

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In (experimental) fracture: ELS/percolation at small scales, LLS/single crack growth at large scales

## **FBM: few take-home messages**

FBMs address fracture problems via models of increasing complexity/description ability depending of the redistribution rules

### Simplest one: Equal-load-Sharing FBM :

- fully tractable analytically, fracture  $\leftarrow \rightarrow$  critical phenomena
- capture qualitatively gradual damaging before failure, scale-free precursor avalanches, response in creep,
- o ail capturing localization and size effects

### Local-load-Sharing FBM

- Not tractable numerically anymore
- Capture localization and size effects
- No universality, very dependent on threshold distribution (and its minimum)
- As dimension increases, looks more and more to ELS

### Soft-clamp FBM

- LLS at large scales, ELS at small scales
- Explain 2 scaling regimes in fracture depending on length-scales

## Thank you for your attention

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### To know more

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#### Failure processes in elastic fiber bundles

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The fiber bundle model describes a collection of elastic fibers under load. The fibers fail successively and, for each failure, the load distribution among the surviving fibers changes. Even though very simple, this model captures the essentials of failure processes in a large number of materials and settings. A review of the fiber bundle model is presented with different load redistribution mechanisms from the point of view of statistics and statistical physics rather than materials science, with a focus on concepts such as criticality, universality, and fluctuations. The fiber bundle model is discussed as a tool for understanding phenomena such as creep and fatigue and how it is used to describe the behavior of fiber-reinforced composites as well as modeling, e.g., network failure, traffic jams, and earthquake dynamics.