
Accurate Prediction of Dynamic Fracture with Peridynamics

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Fracture Mechanics Theory and Dynamic Fracture

- Onset of crack growth can be accurately predicted
- Crack growth **speed** and **direction** *cannot!*

**Wanted: A successful method for simulating
Dynamic Fracture**

- Such a method must be able to reproduce the characteristic phenomena of Dynamic Fracture.
- All current simulation methods severely fail this test of efficacy
 - The governing PDEs break down at cracks.



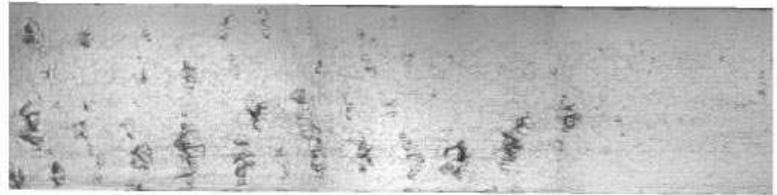
Characteristic Phenomena of Dynamic Fracture:

1. The Mirror, Mist, Hackle sequence of textures on the fracture surface;
2. A steady, limiting crack speed ;
3. The transition from stable to unstable crack growth;
4. Crack branching;
5. Fragment size distribution;
6. The specific angle of cracking following impact of a notched plate (the Kaltoff-Winkler experiment);
7. The multiple, unstable cracking modes of fiber-reinforced composites;
8. Membrane bursting;
9. Unstable peeling and tearing of thin sheets.

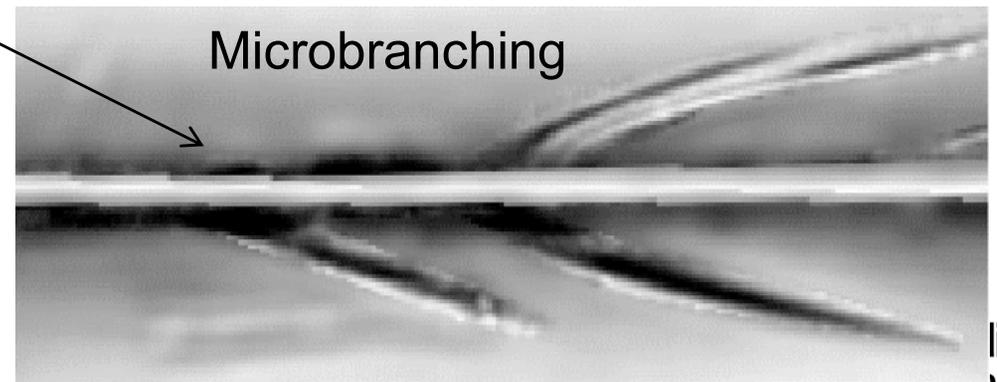
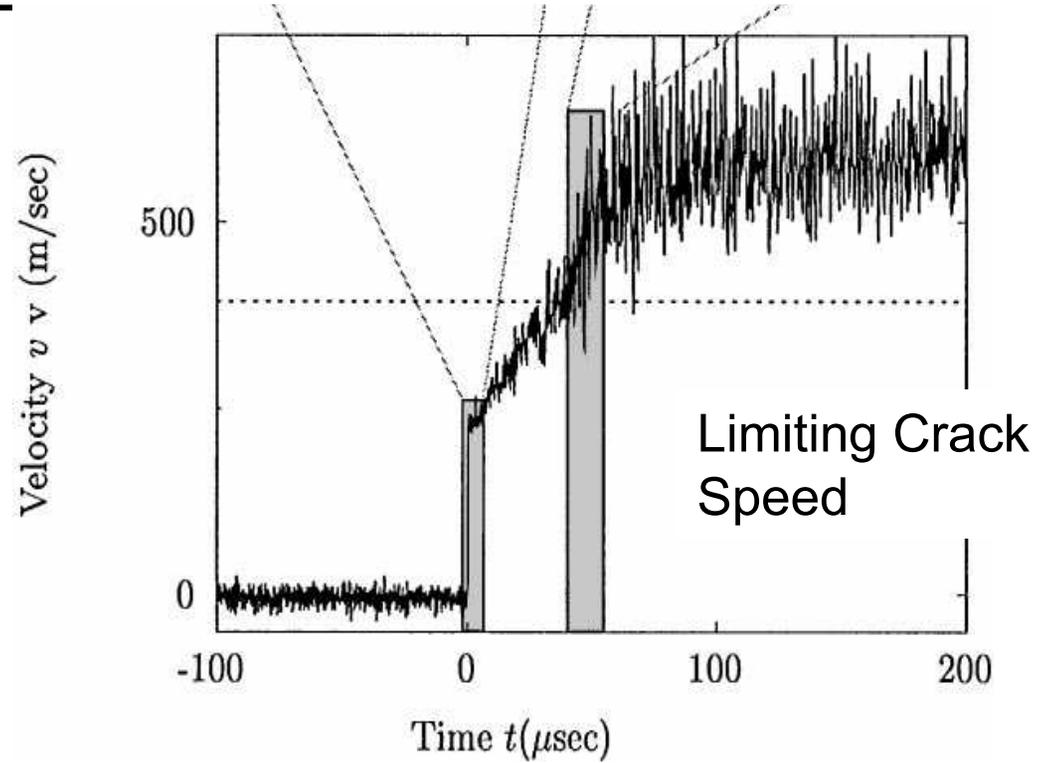


1, 2. Dynamic fracture in PMMA:

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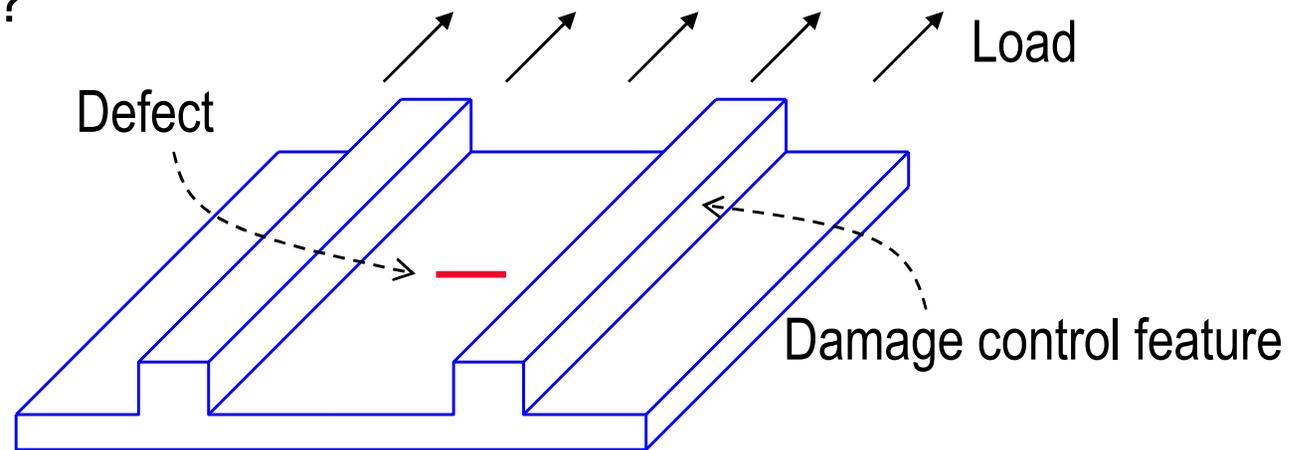


Mirror-mist-hackle transition

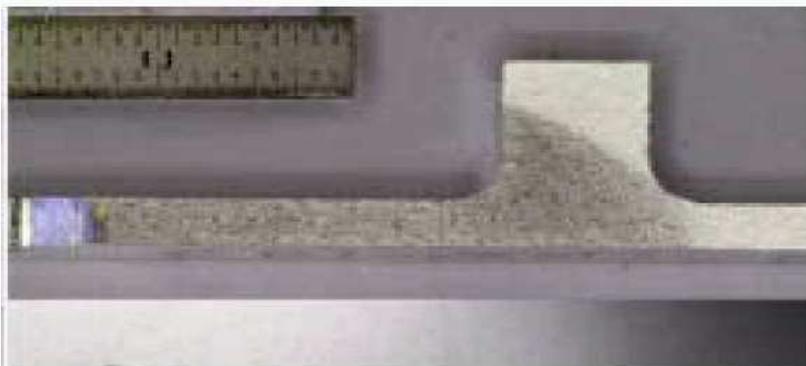


3. Transition from Stable to Unstable Crack Growth

- At what load and what length does crack growth change from stable (slow) to unstable (fast)?



Load

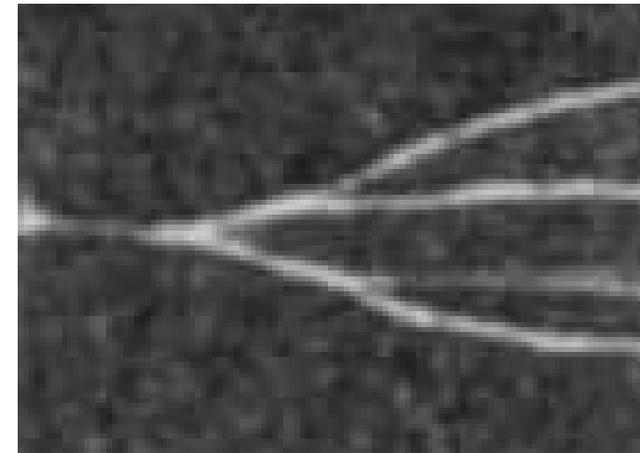
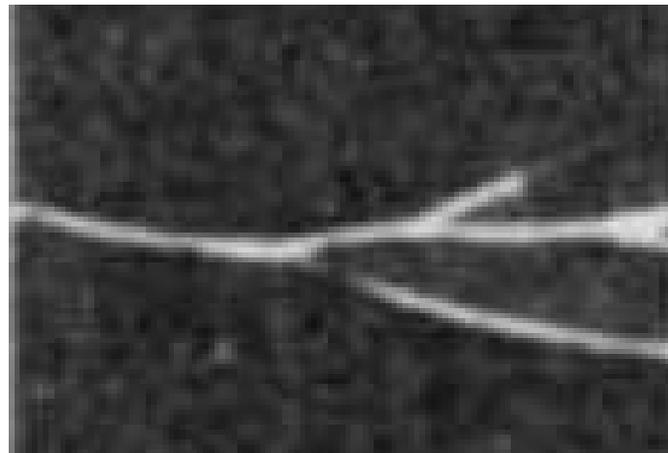
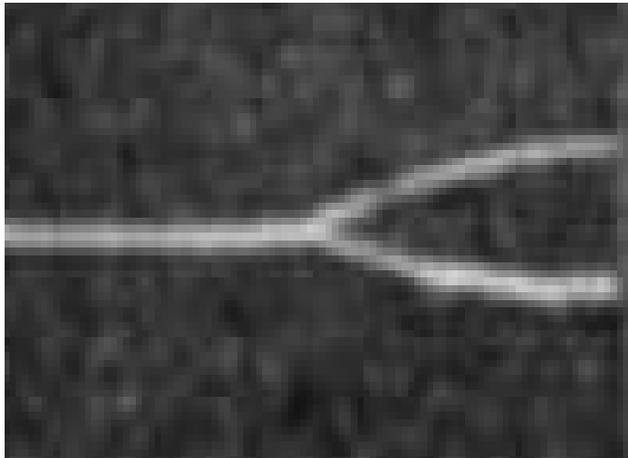


Crack just before transition to Unstable (photo courtesy Boeing)



4. Crack Branching

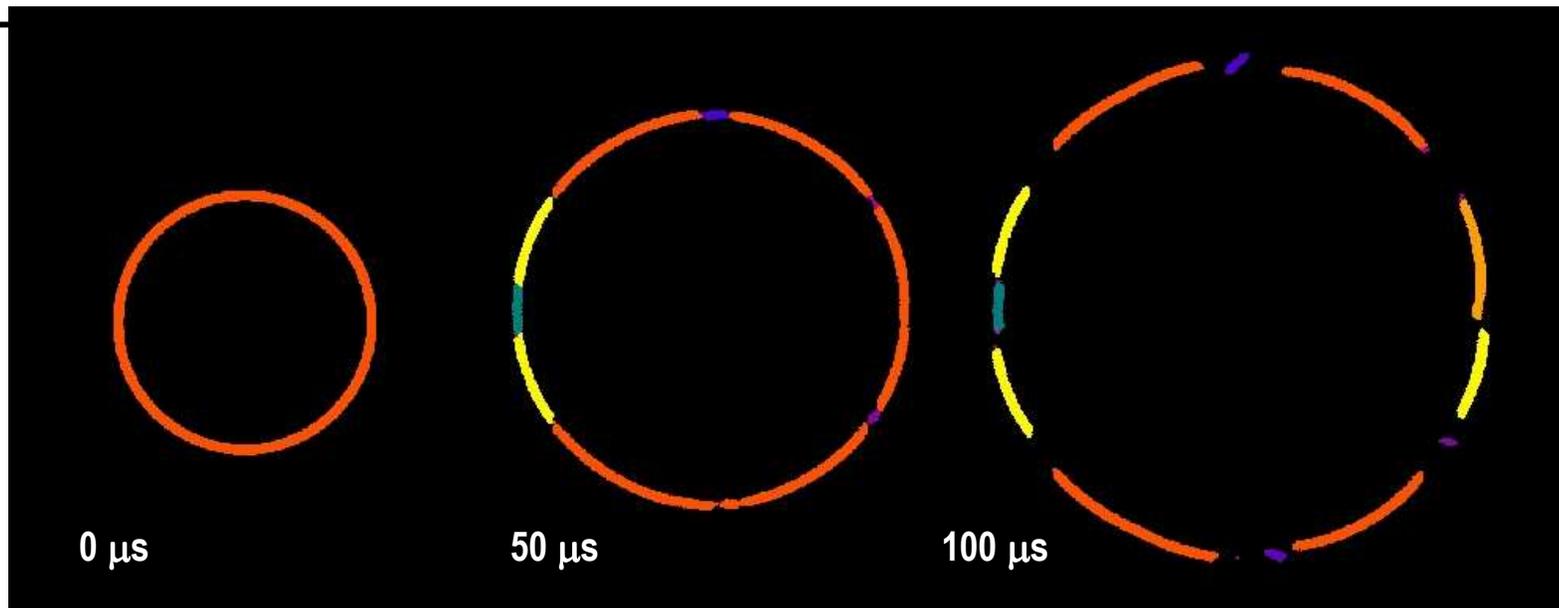
At high levels of stress intensity factor (e.g., at a round notch) a crack propagates at higher stress levels and sequential crack branching can occur.



Crack branching in notched specimens of soda-lime glass, pulled vertically (specimens 3" x 1" x 0.05"; load stress increasing left to right)

S F. Bowden, J. Brunton, J. Field, and A. Heyes, *Controlled fracture of brittle solids and the interruption of electrical current*, Nature (1967) 216, 42, pp.38-42.

5. Fragmentation: Ductile Aluminum Ring*



1100-0 Al ring has initial radial velocity of 200m/s.

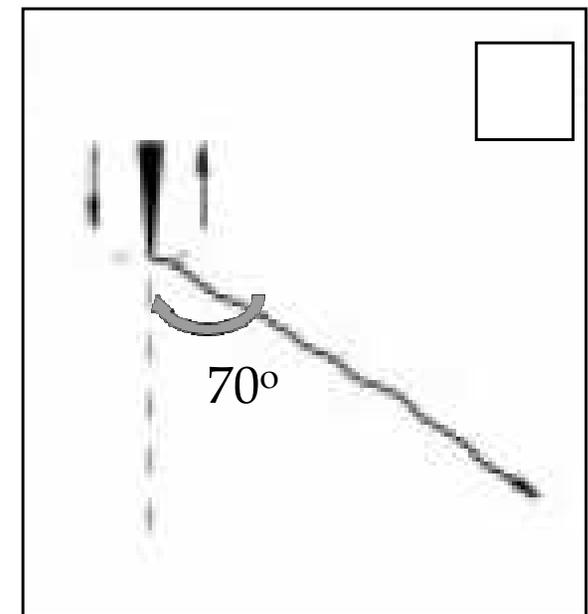
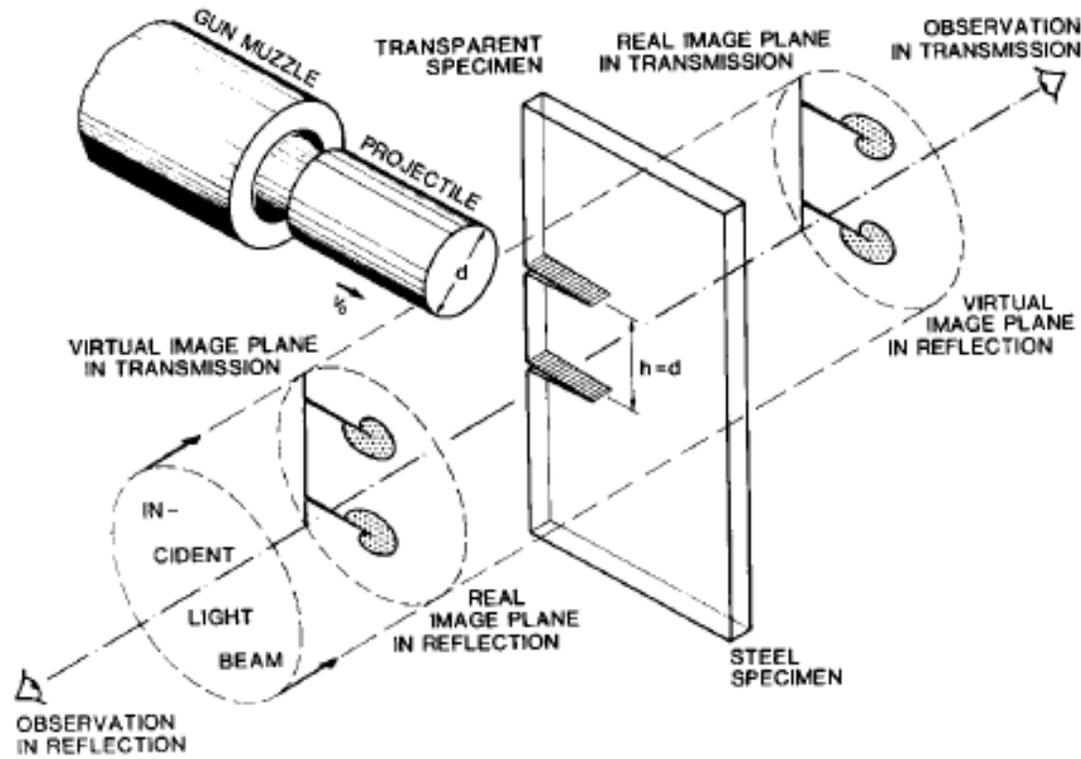
- 32mm diameter, 1mm x 1mm cross-section.
- Rapid acceleration by electromagnetic pulse.
- Recovered 11-13 fragments per shot over range of initial velocities 182 – 220 m/s.

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6. Dynamic fracture in a hard steel plate: Kalthoff-Winkler Experiment

Dynamic fracture in maraging steel (Kalthoff & Winkler, 1988)

- Mode-II loading at notch tips results in mode-I cracks at 70° angle.



Experimental Results

7. Splitting and fracture mode changes in Fiber-reinforced Composites

The distribution of fiber directions between plies strongly influences the way cracks grow.



Typical crack growth in a notched laminate (photo courtesy Boeing)

8. Dynamic fracture in membranes



Bursting of pressurized membrane by a bullet:

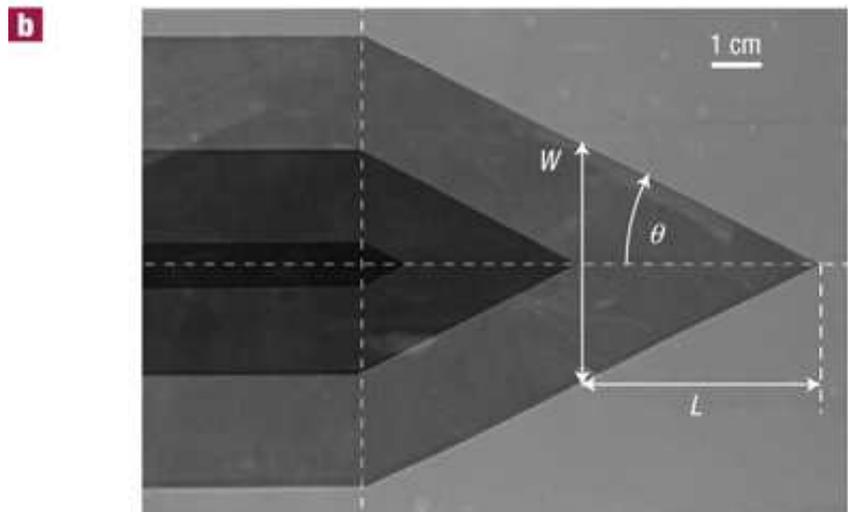
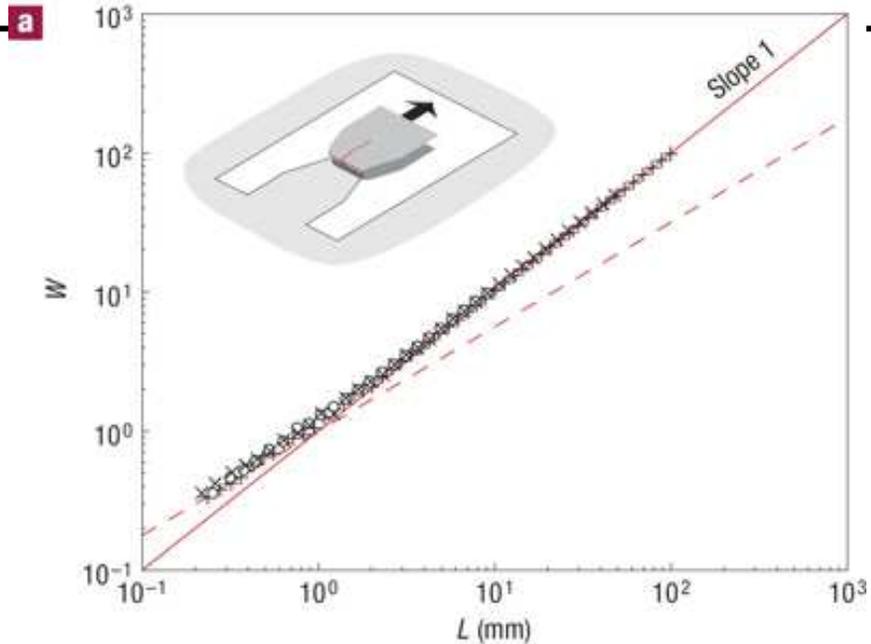
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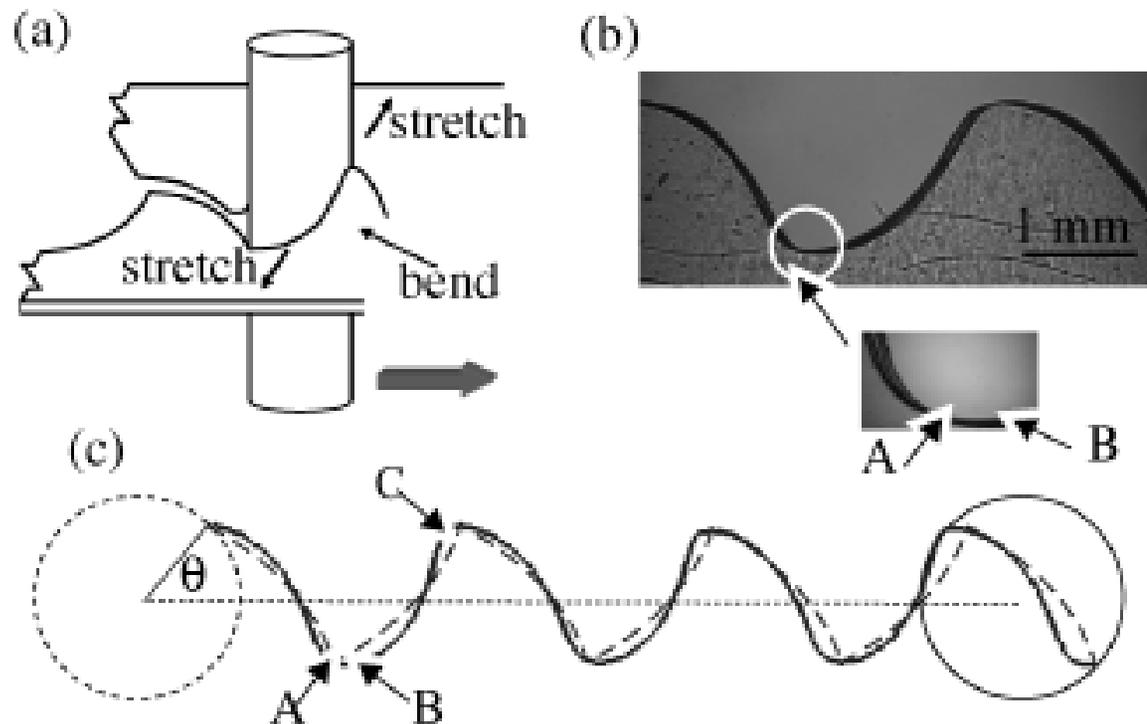
9a. Peeling and Tearing

Peeling of adhesive film from rigid substrate exhibits characteristic tearing behavior.

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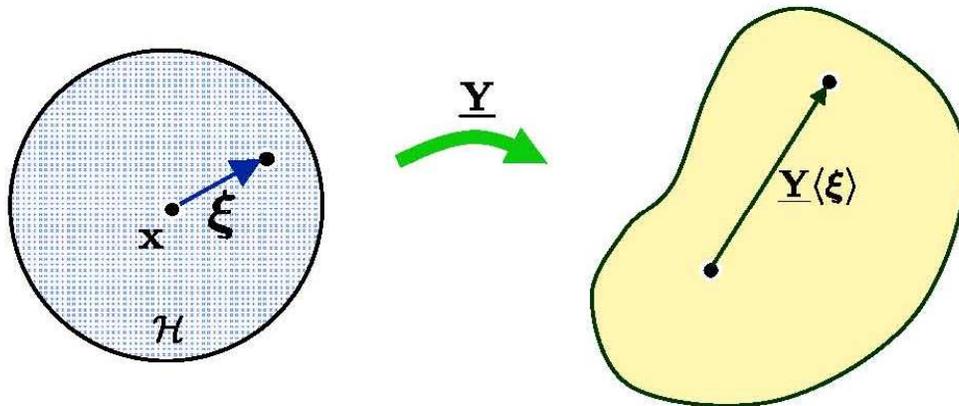
9b. Instability in the slow tearing of an elastic membrane



Ghatak & Mahadevan, *Physical Review Letters* 91 (2003) 215507-1–2155-7-4

Starting point for peridynamics

Strain energy at \mathbf{x} depends **collectively** on the deformation of the family of \mathbf{x} .



Undeformed family of \mathbf{x}

Deformed family of \mathbf{x}

Standard:

$$\hat{W} \left(\frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{y}}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right)$$

Peridynamic:

$$\hat{W}(\underline{\mathbf{Y}})$$

The deformation state is the function that maps each bond ξ into its deformed image $\underline{\mathbf{Y}}(\xi)$.

Force state is the work conjugate to the deformation state

- Suppose we perturb the deformed bond $\underline{\mathbf{Y}}\langle\xi\rangle$ by a virtual displacement ϵ . The resulting change in $W(\mathbf{x})$ is

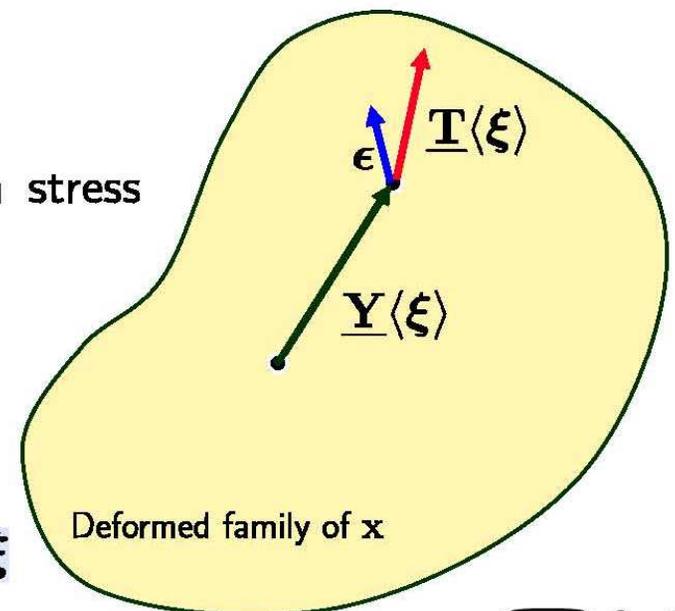
$$\Delta W = \underline{\mathbf{T}}\langle\xi\rangle \cdot \epsilon$$

where $\underline{\mathbf{T}}\langle\xi\rangle$ is a vector.

- The “force state” $\underline{\mathbf{T}}$ is the work conjugate to $\underline{\mathbf{Y}}$:

$$\dot{W} = \underline{\mathbf{T}} \bullet \dot{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}} = \int_{\mathcal{H}} \underline{\mathbf{T}}\langle\xi\rangle \cdot \dot{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}}\langle\xi\rangle dV_{\xi}$$

- $\underline{\mathbf{T}}$ is the Frechet derivative of $W(\underline{\mathbf{Y}})$ – analogous to a stress tensor.



Displace just one bond ξ

Peridynamic equilibrium equation

- Total potential energy in \mathcal{B} :

$$\Phi = \int_{\mathcal{B}} (W(\underline{\mathbf{Y}}) - \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{u}) dV_{\mathbf{x}}$$

- Take first variation. Euler-Lagrange equation is

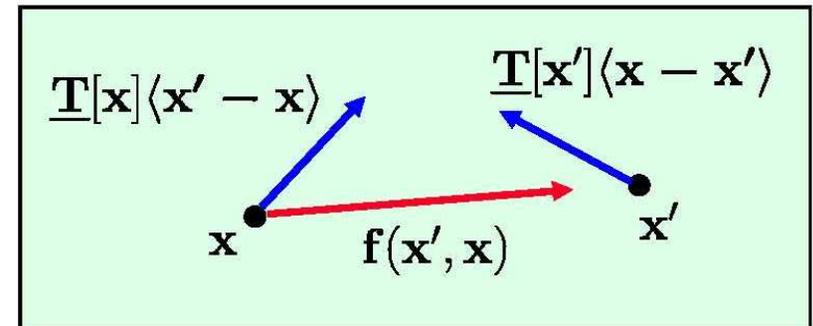
$$\int_{\mathcal{H}} \left(\underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{x}] \langle \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x} \rangle - \underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{x}'] \langle \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}' \rangle \right) dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}) = 0.$$

- Write this in terms of the "bond force" :

$$\int_{\mathcal{H}} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}) dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}) = 0.$$

- where the bond force is defined by

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}) = \underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{x}] \langle \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x} \rangle - \underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{x}'] \langle \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}' \rangle$$





Peridynamic equation of motion

- Equilibrium equation:

$$\int_{\mathcal{H}} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}) dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}.$$

- where

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}) = \underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{x}] \langle \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x} \rangle - \underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{x}'] \langle \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}' \rangle$$

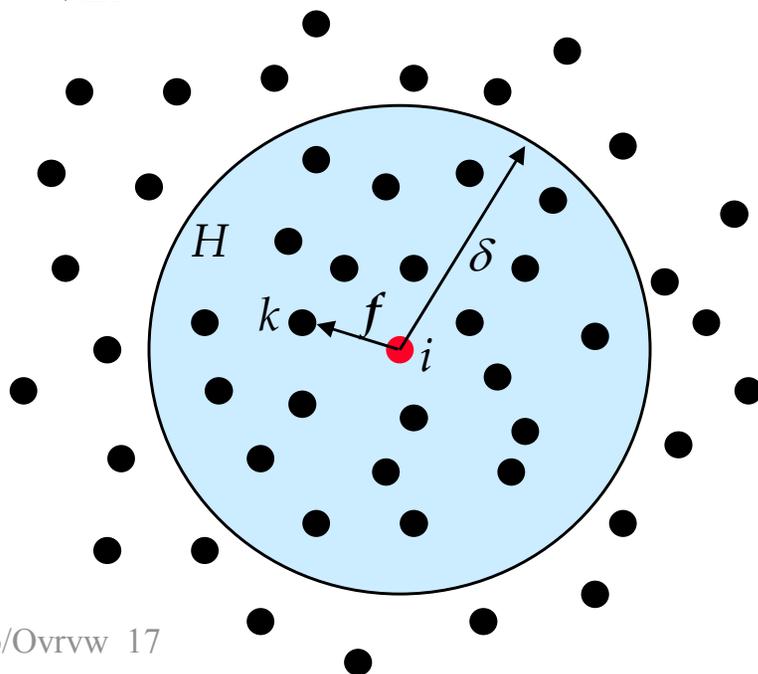
- Now use d'Alembert's principle to get the equation of motion:

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) \ddot{\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int_{\mathcal{H}} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}, t) dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

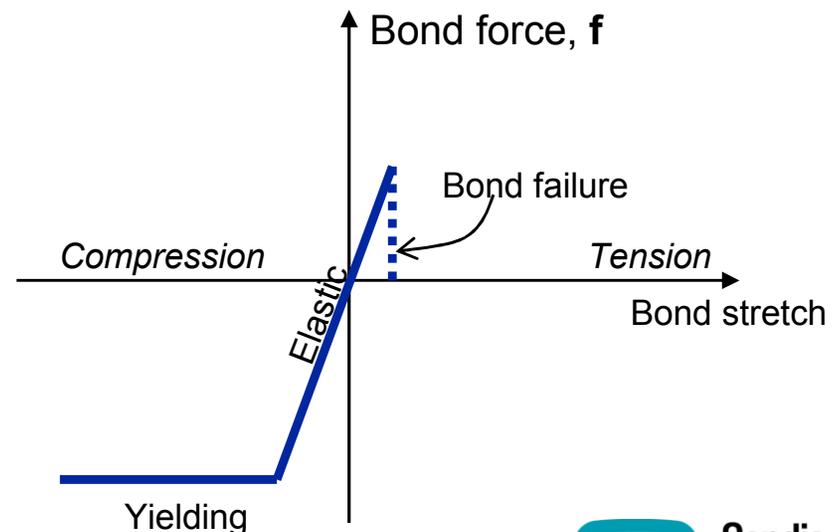
Numerical method and material model incorporate damage at the “bond” level

- Finite sum replaces integral: method is meshless and Lagrangian.
- Force parameters come from measurable elastic-plastic and fracture data.
- Simulate explicit time integration dynamics or static equilibrium; extension to implicit dynamics is underway.

$$\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_i^n = \sum_{k \in H} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_k^n - \mathbf{u}_i^n, \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_i) \Delta V_i + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}_i, t)$$

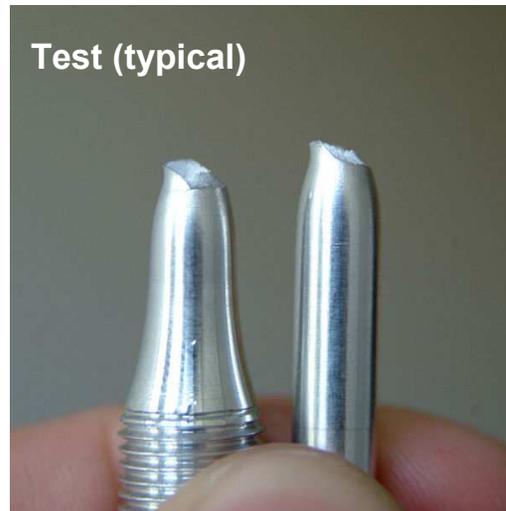
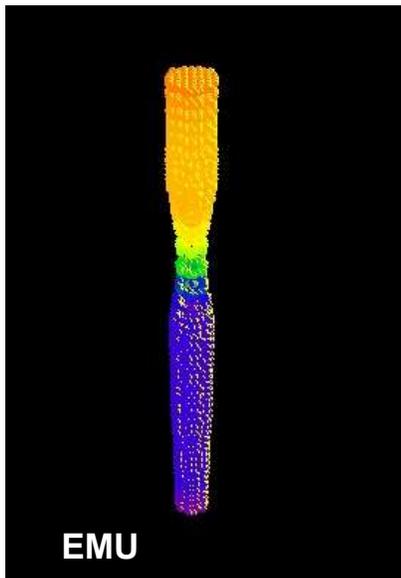


All material-specific behavior is contained in the force density, f .

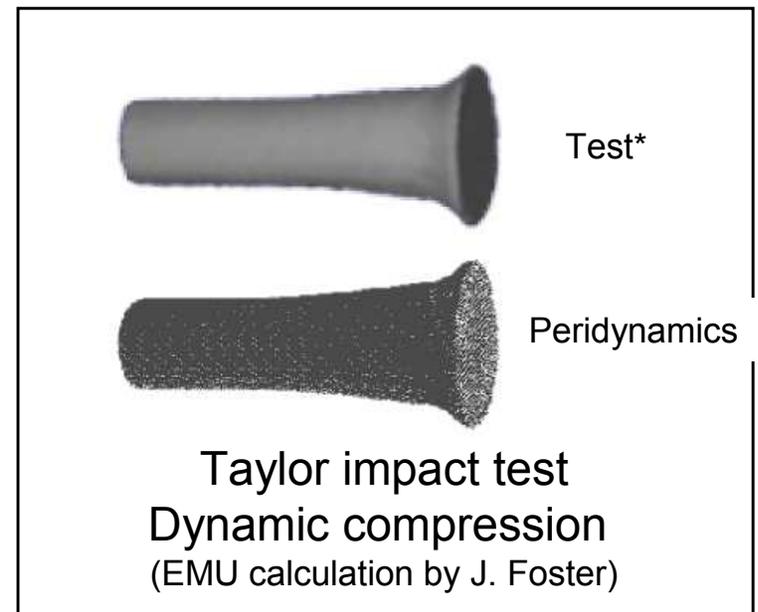


Peridynamic Can Use Diverse Constitutive Models

- Peridynamics can model large-strain, rate-dependent, strain-hardening plasticity.



Necking in tension

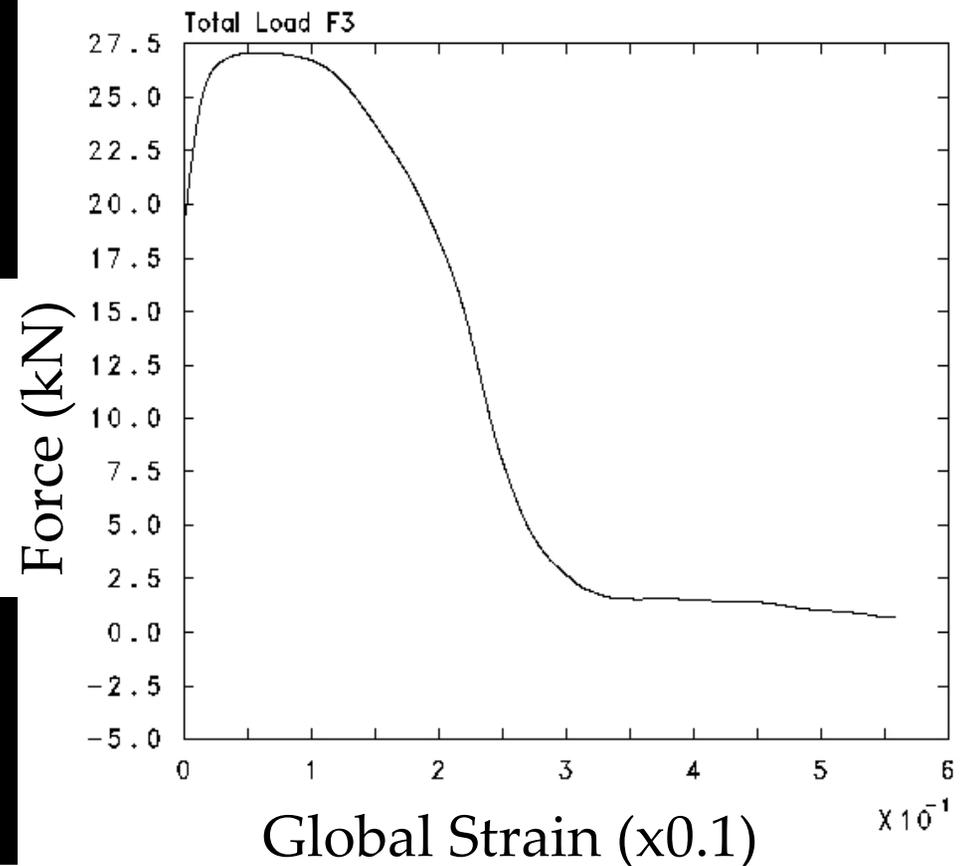
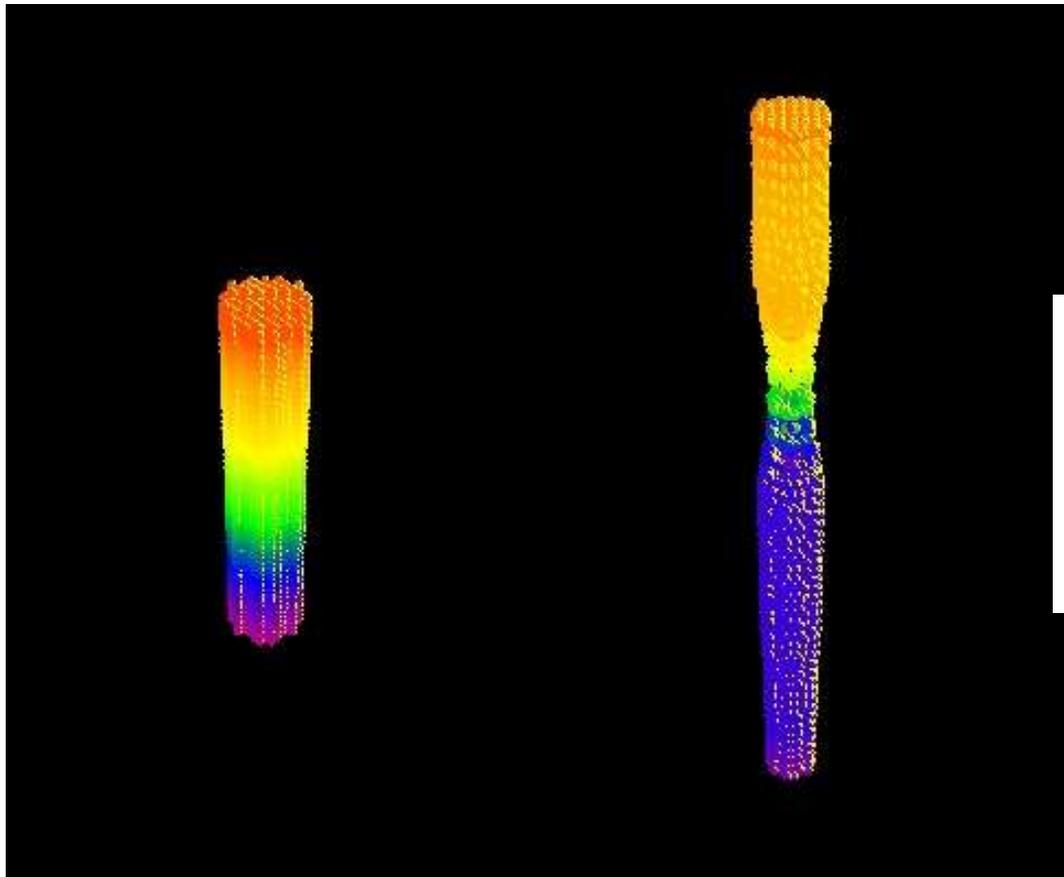


*C. E. Anderson Jr, A. E. Nicholls, I. S. Chocron, and R. A. Ryckman. Taylor anvil impact. In AIP Conference Proceedings, volume 845, page 1367. AIP, 2006

Necking in a 6061-Aluminum Bar

Simulation with state-based peridynamic implementation of large-deformation, strain-hardening, rate-dependent material model.

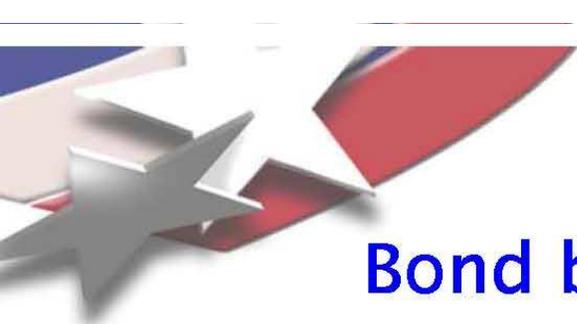
- Force-strain plot shows stable response with decreasing load.



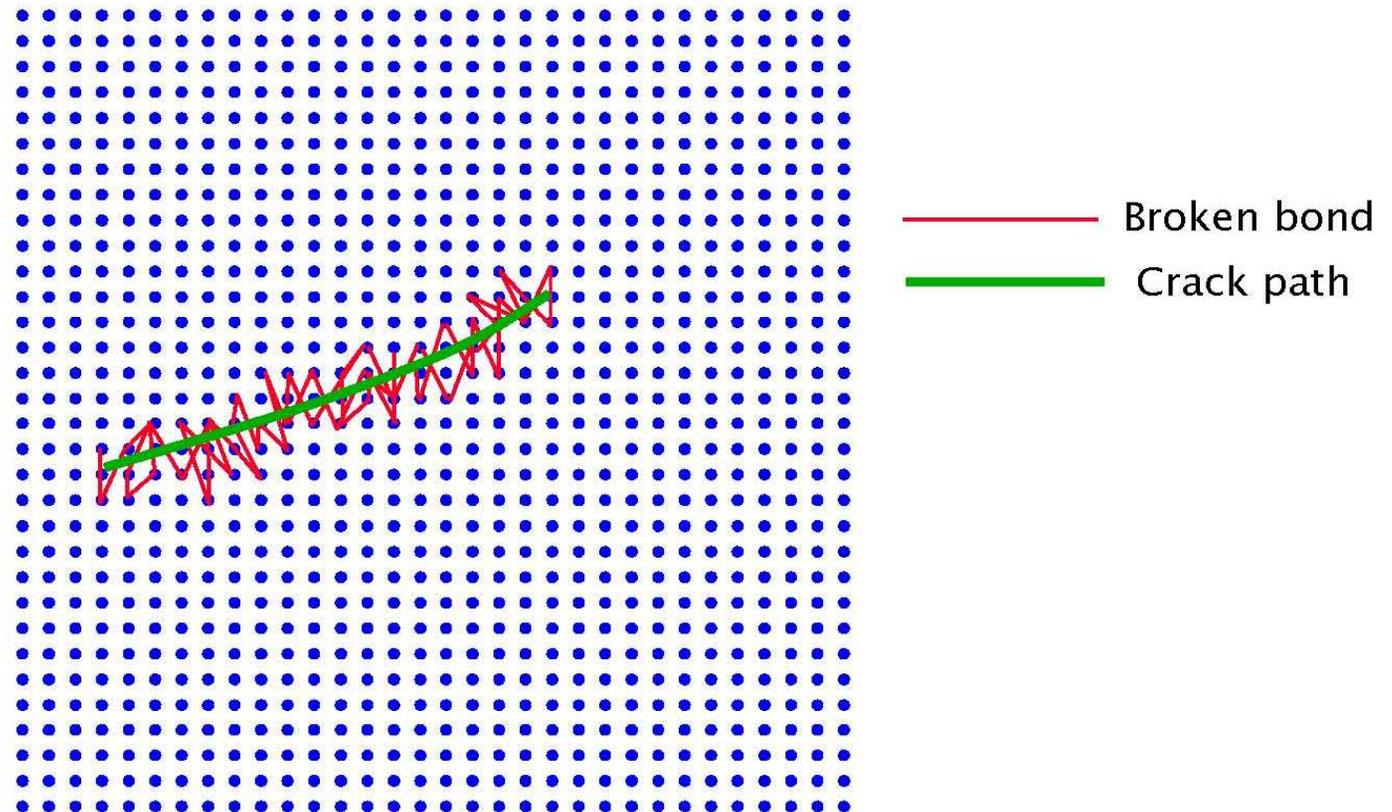


Fracture Phenomena *Emerge* from a Peridynamics Simulation

Peridynamics is a history-dependent theory in which crack initiation and growth, and all associated phenomena, *emerge spontaneously*, in an *unguided* fashion, simply from the choice of system geometry, ICs, BCs, and the constitutive model.

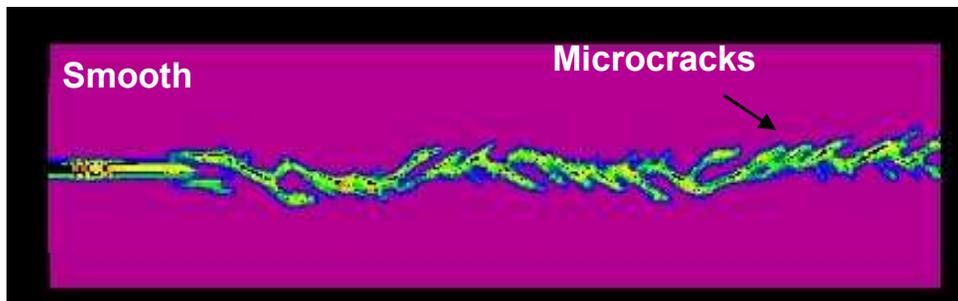
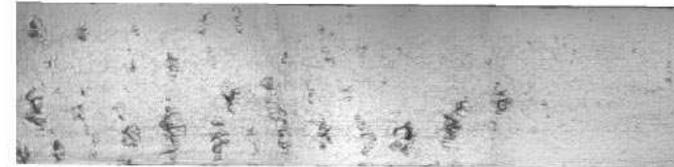
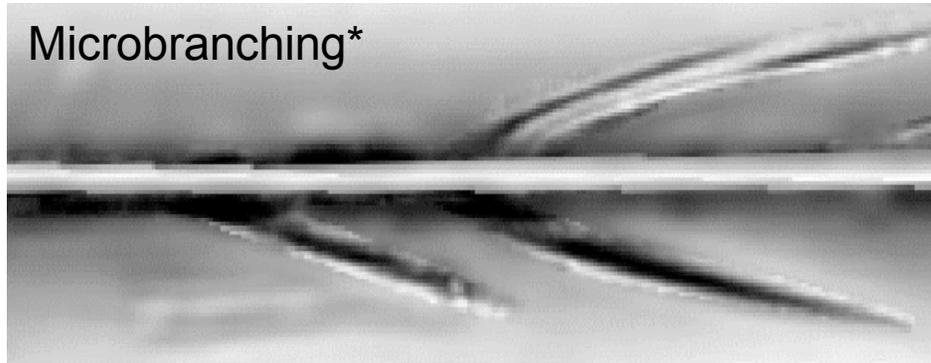


Bond breakage forms cracks “autonomously”

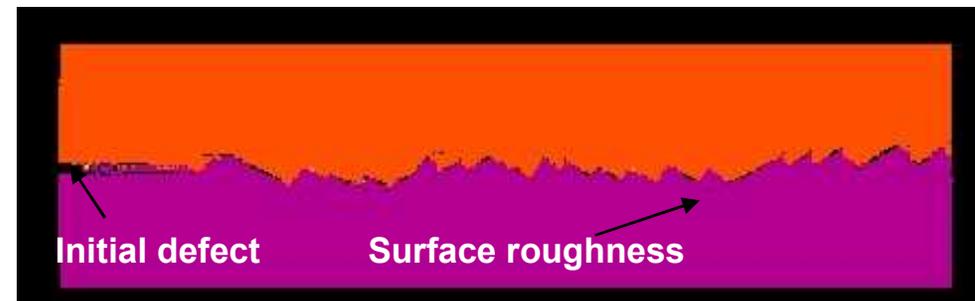


When a bond breaks, its load is shifted to its neighbors, leading to progressive failure.

1. Dynamic fracture in PMMA: Damage features



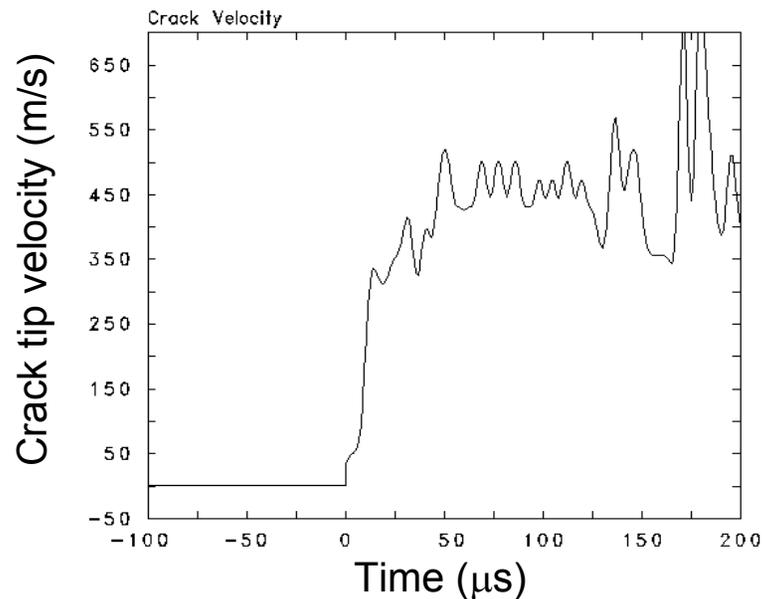
Peridynamics damage



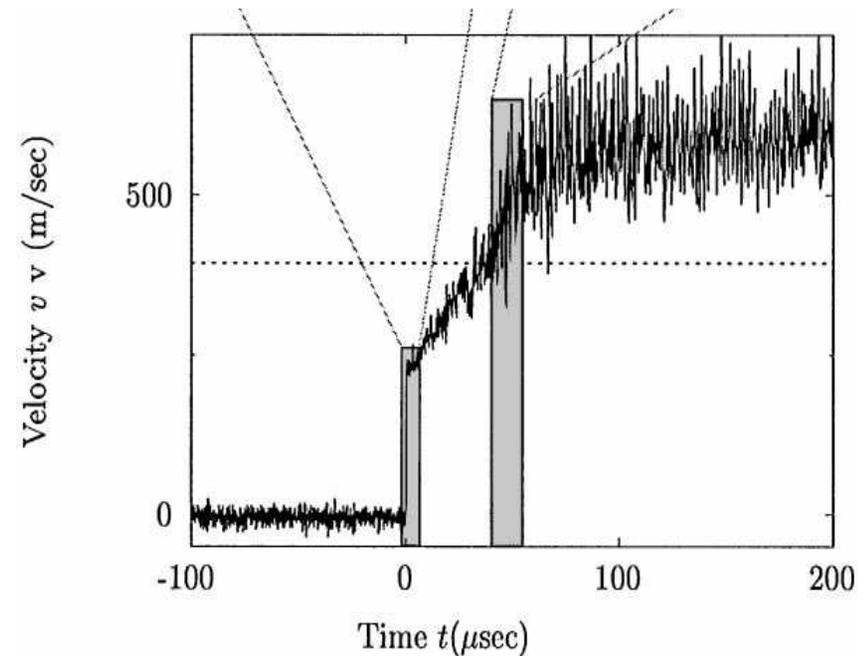
Peridynamics crack surfaces

2. Dynamic fracture in PMMA: Crack tip velocity

- Crack velocity increases to a critical value, then oscillates.



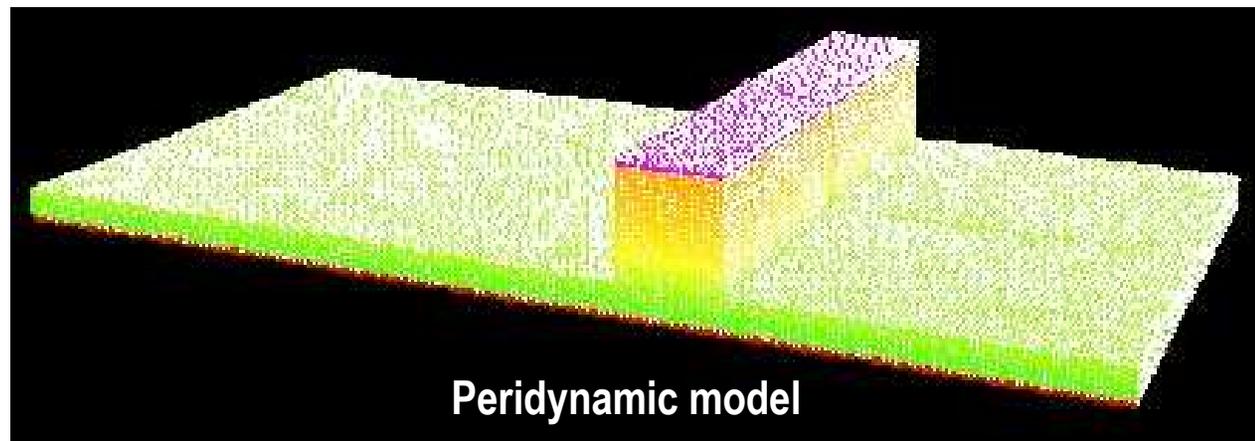
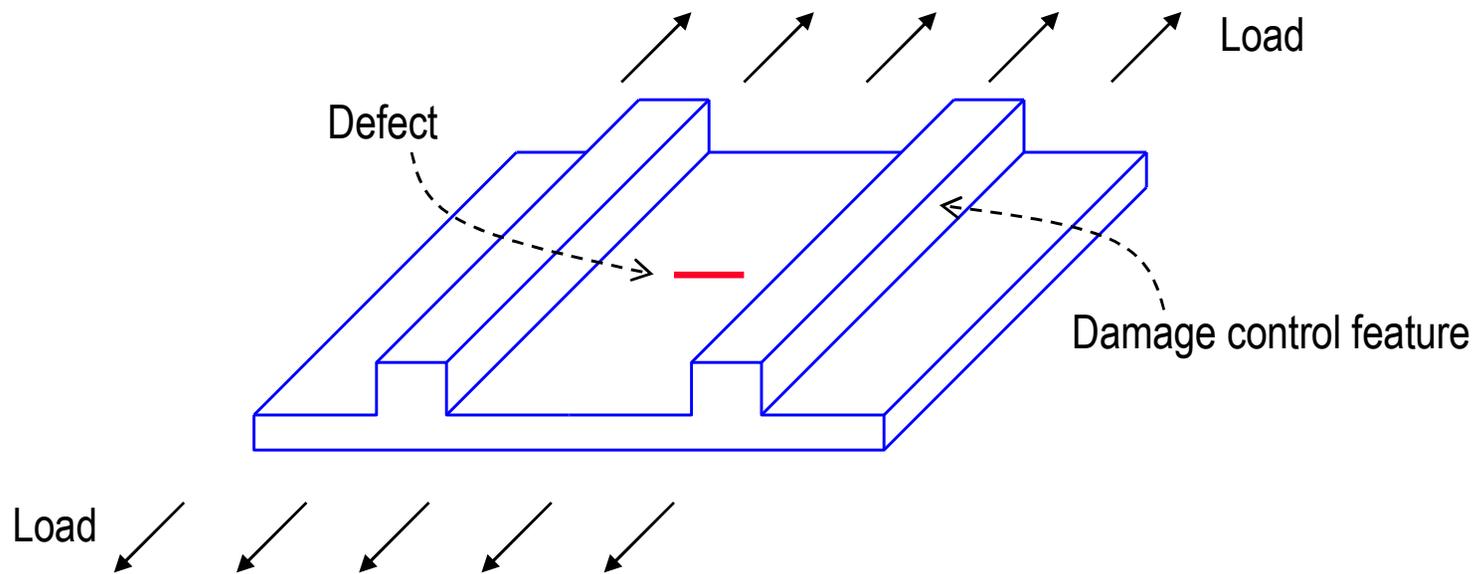
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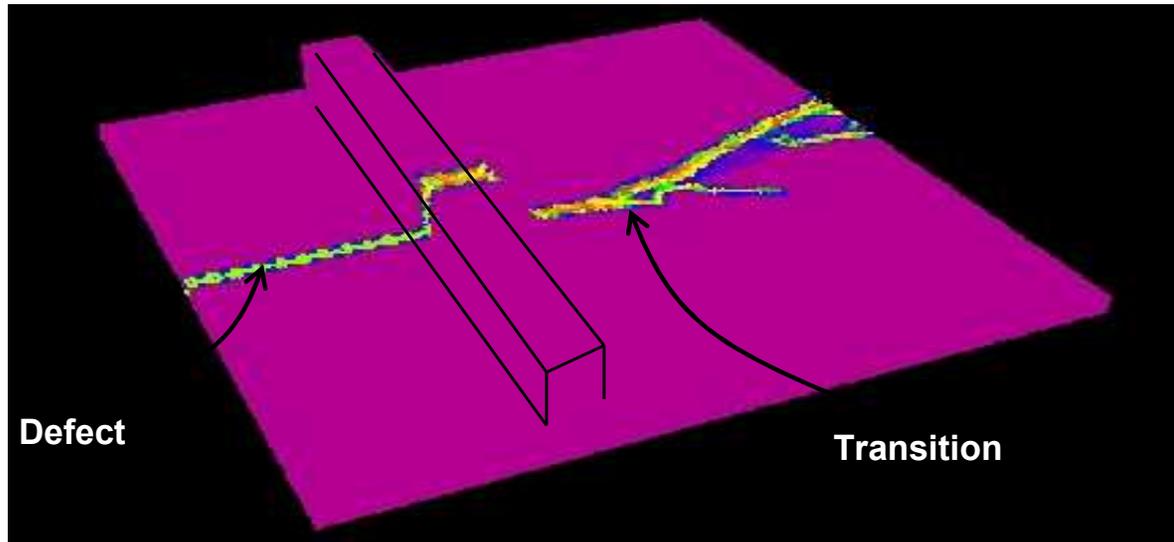
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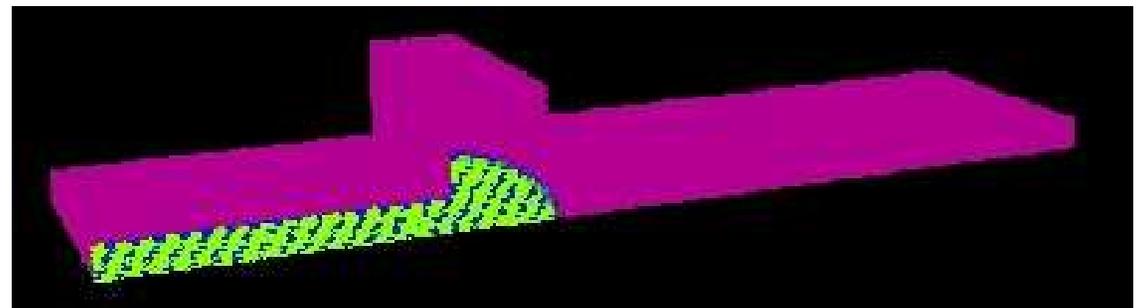
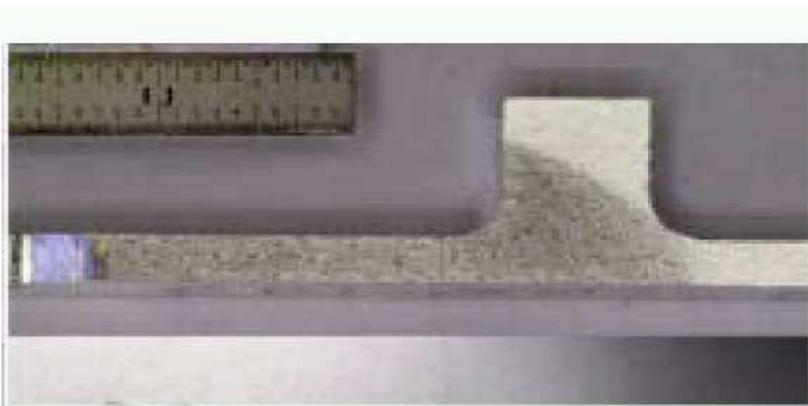
3. Peridynamics model of Ribbed Plate



3. Simulation of damage control feature and crack instability



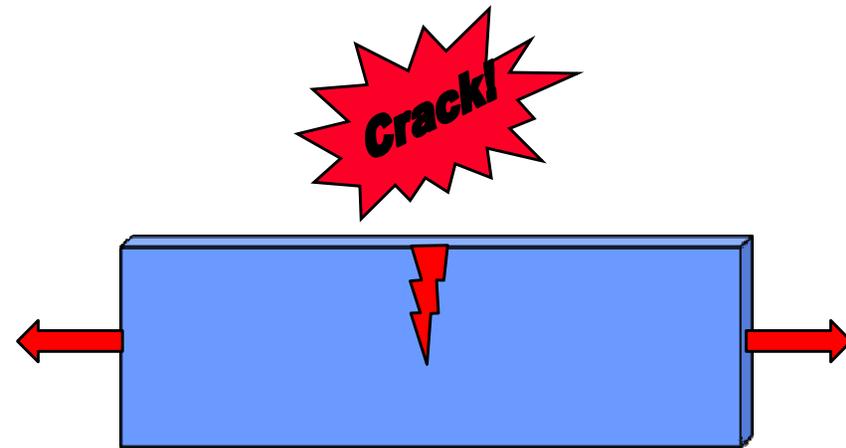
Crack trajectory after instability



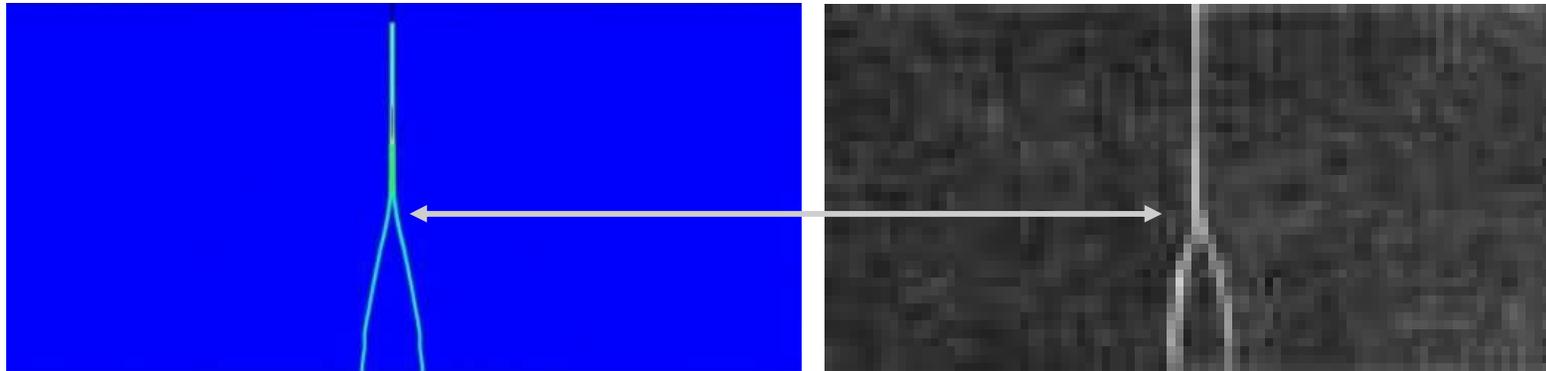
Crack just before transition to unstable (photo courtesy Boeing)

4. Dynamic Brittle Fracture in Glass

- Soda-lime glass plate
 - Dimensions: 3" x 1" x 0.05"
 - Density: 2.44 g/cm³
 - Elastic Modulus: 79.0 GPa
- Notch at top; apply tension
- Discretization (finest)
 - Mesh spacing: 35 microns
 - Approx. 82 million particles
 - Time: 50 microseconds (20k timesteps)
 - 6 hours on 65k cores using DAWN (LLNL): IBM BG/P System
 - 500 teraflops; 147,456 cores
- Simulation by M. Parks (SNL), F. Bobaru & Y. Ha (Nebraska)



4. Crack Branching in Brittle in Glass



Peridynamics Simulation

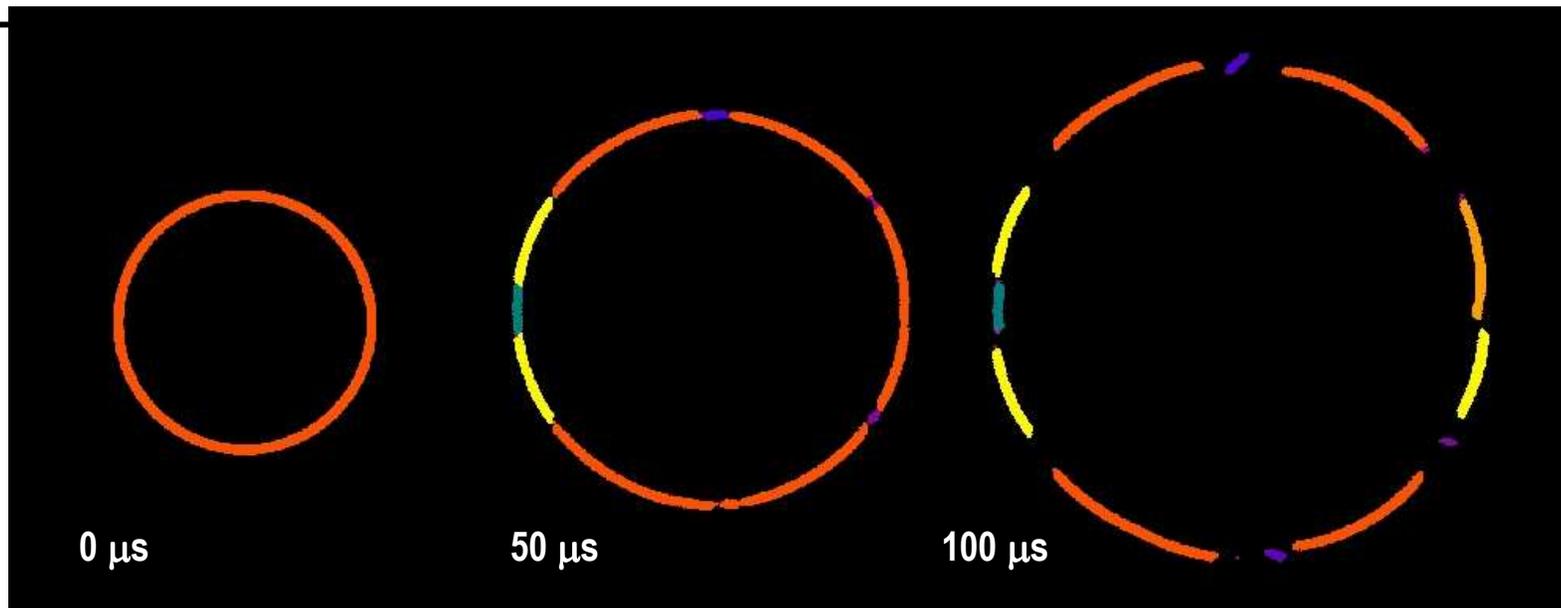
Physical Experiment*

Crack branching *emerges* in the Peridynamics simulation of the experimental specimen and loading conditions:

- Branching is qualitatively identical to experiment;
- Onset of simulated branching is earlier than experiment.

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5a. Fragmentation of a Ductile Aluminum Ring*



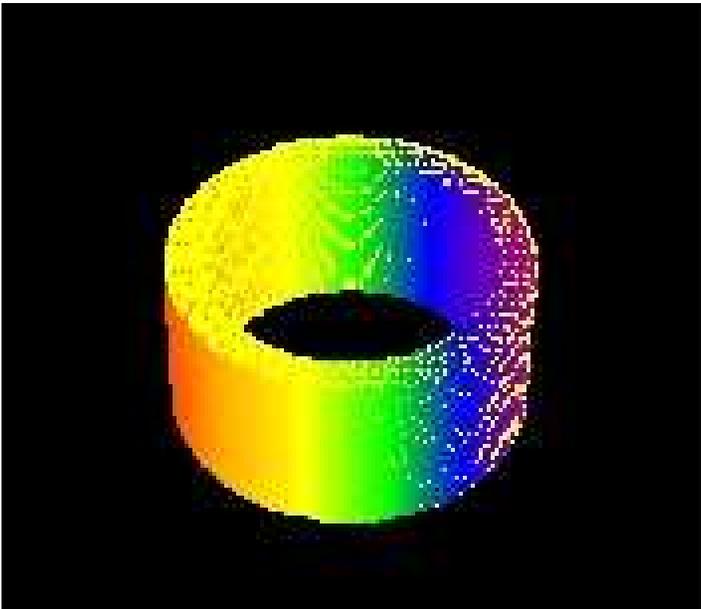
Experiment *:

- Recovered **11-13** fragments per shot over range of initial velocities 182 – 220 m/s.

Peridynamics model produces **12** fragments.

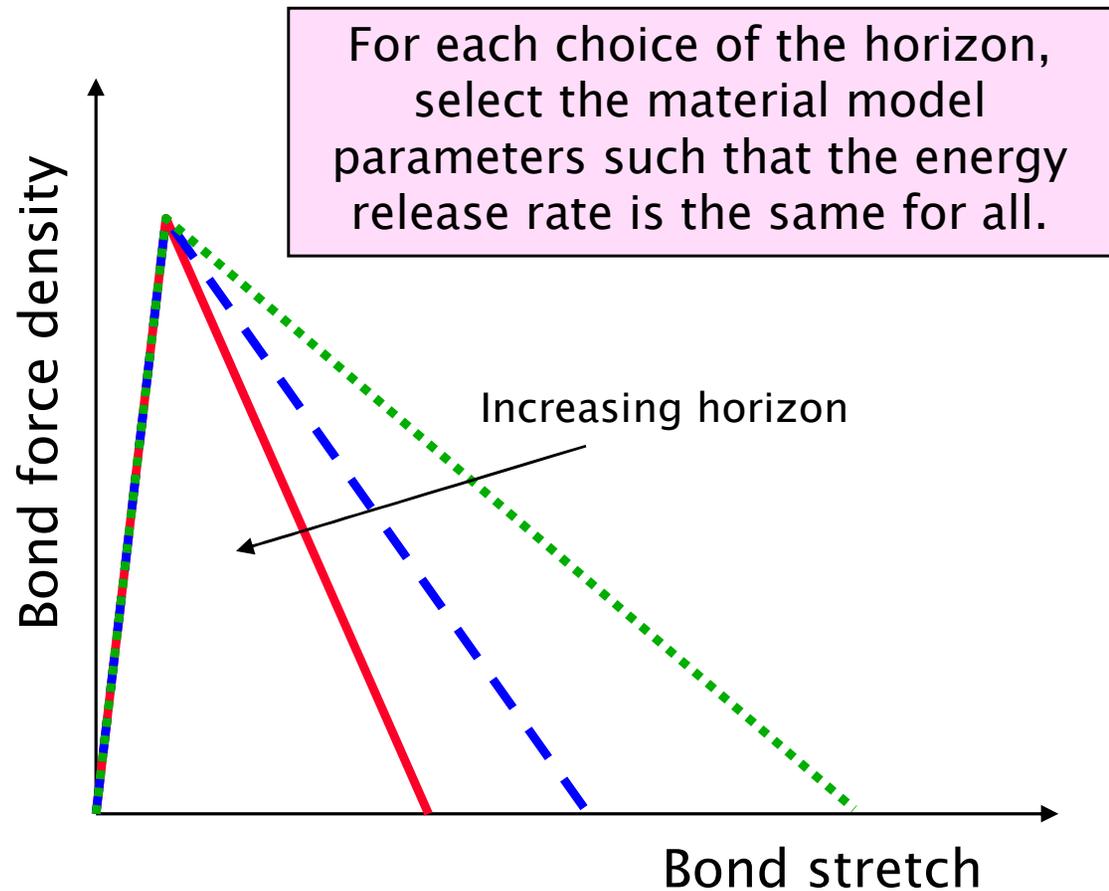
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5b. Convergence in fragmentation: Expanding 3D annulus

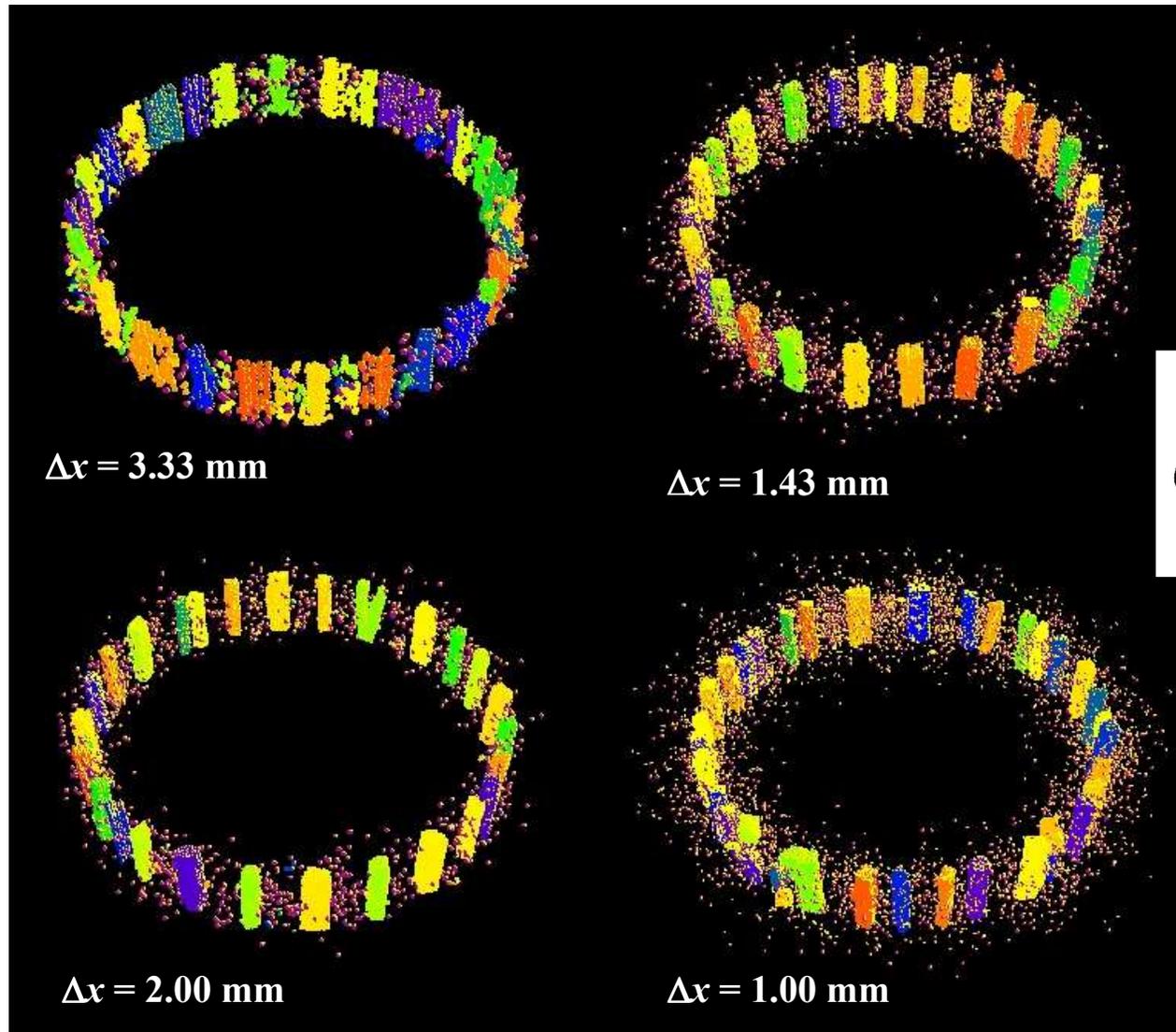
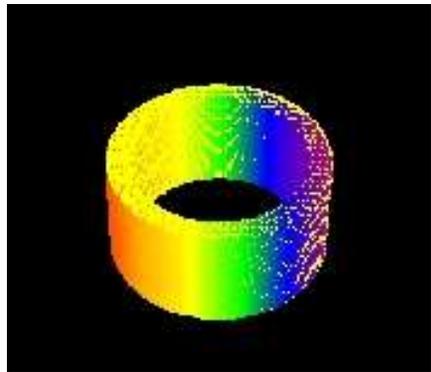


- Outer radius = 100 mm
- Thickness = 10 mm
- Radial velocity = 600 m/s

- Grid contains 1% random perturbations to act as seed.



5b. Convergence in fragmentation: Same problem with 4 different grid spacings



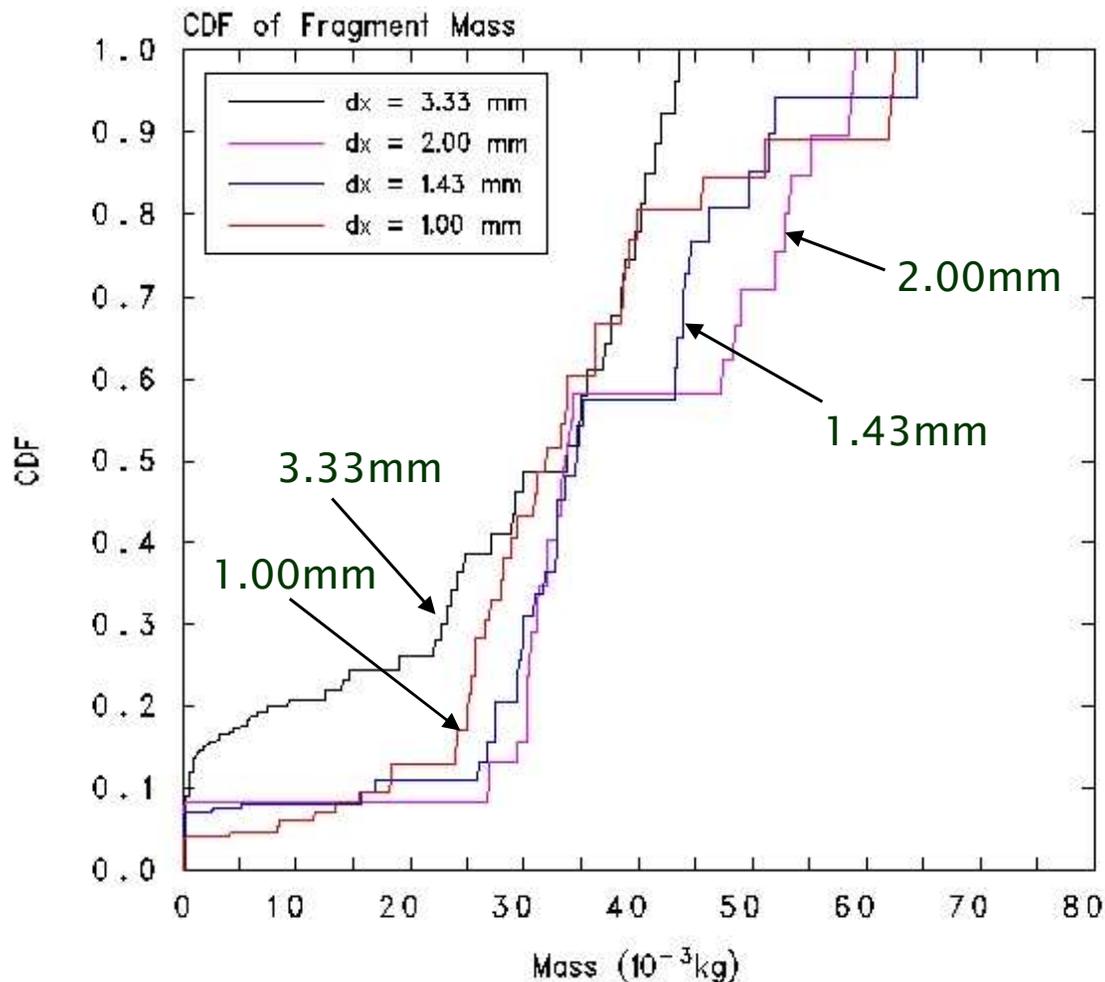
$$\delta = 3\Delta x$$

Horizon =
3x grid spacing

Colors are for
visualization

5b. Convergence in fragmentation: Fragment mass distribution

Cumulative distribution function
for 4 grid spacings



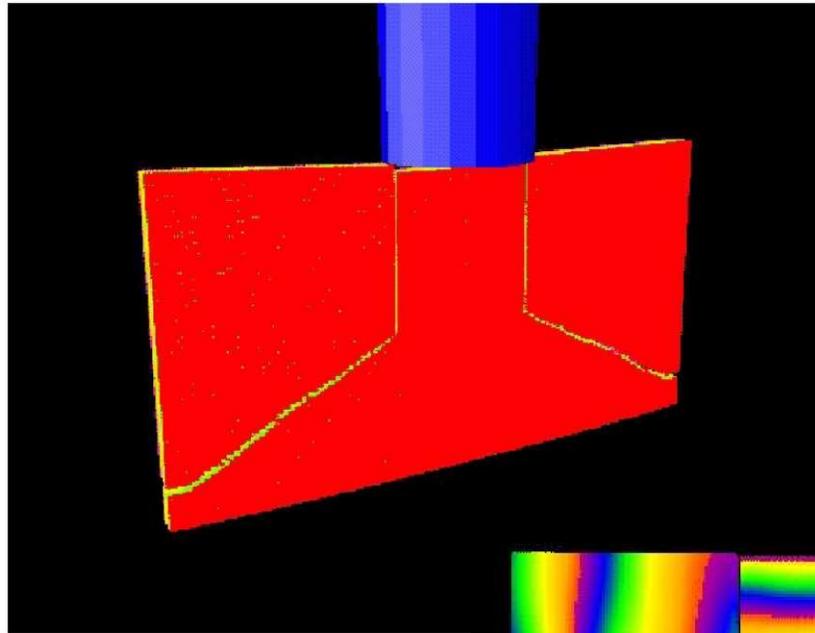
Δx (mm)	Mean fragment mass (g)
3.33	27.1
2.00	37.8
1.43	35.9
1.00	33.5

Solution appears
essentially converged

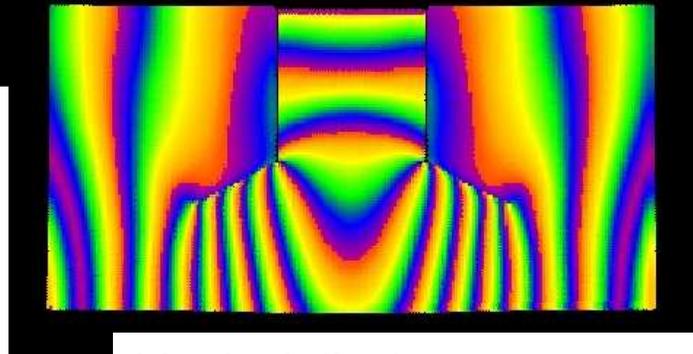
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Dynamic fracture in maraging steel (Kalthoff & Winkler, 1988)

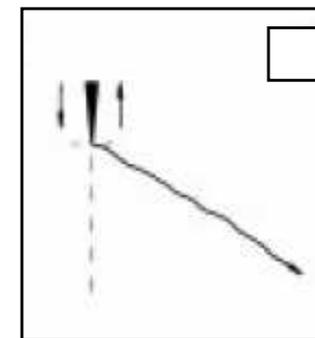
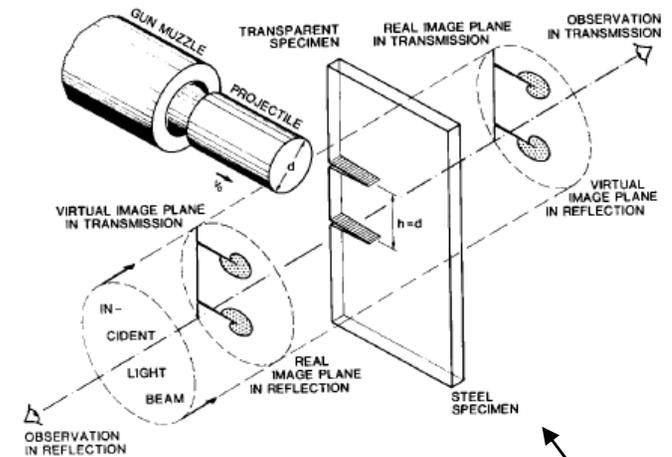
- 3D Peridynamics model reproduces the 70° crack angle.



Peridynamics



Vertical displacement contours

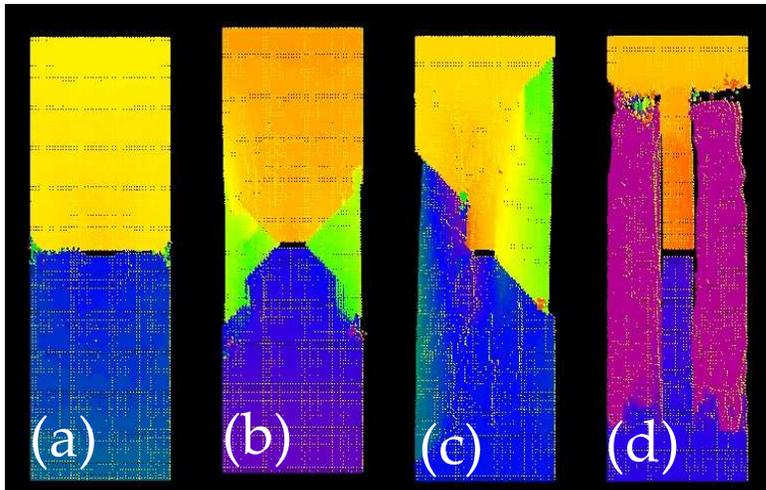


Experiment

7. Splitting and fracture mode changes in Fiber-reinforced Composites

- Distribution of fiber directions between plies strongly influences the way cracks grow.

Crack growth in a notched laminate bar

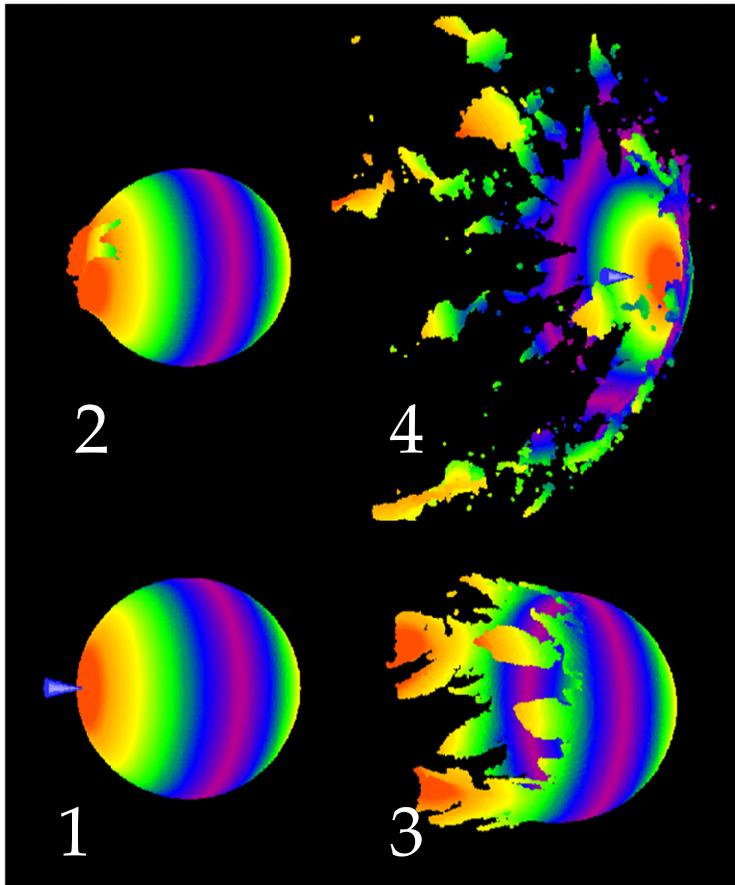


- a) Quasi-isotropic;
- b) Additional $\pm 45^\circ$;
- c) Extra $\pm 45^\circ$;
- d) Mostly 0° (along length)



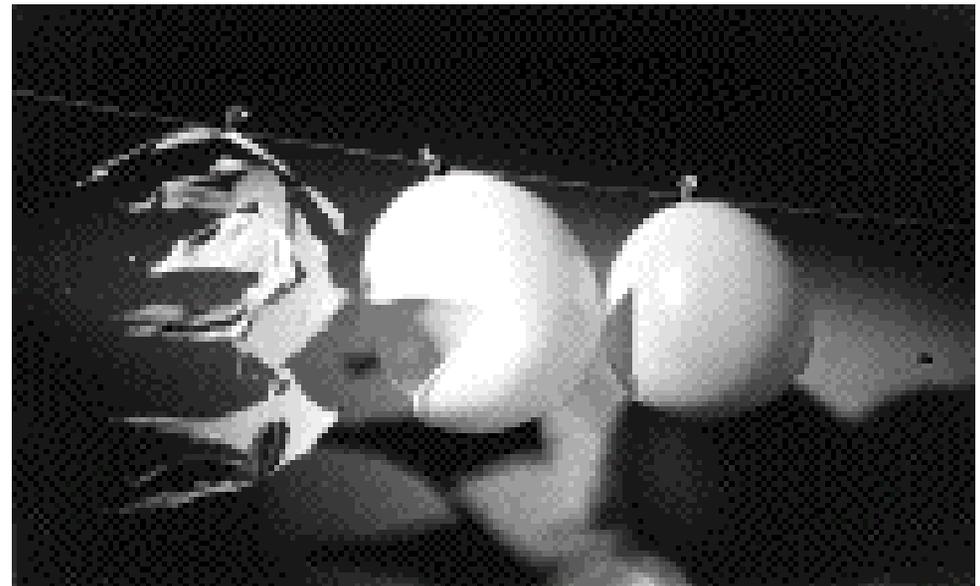
Typical crack growth in a notched laminate (photo courtesy Boeing)

8. Dynamic fracture in membranes



Peridynamics model of a balloon penetrated by a fragment.
(Time sequence numbered.)

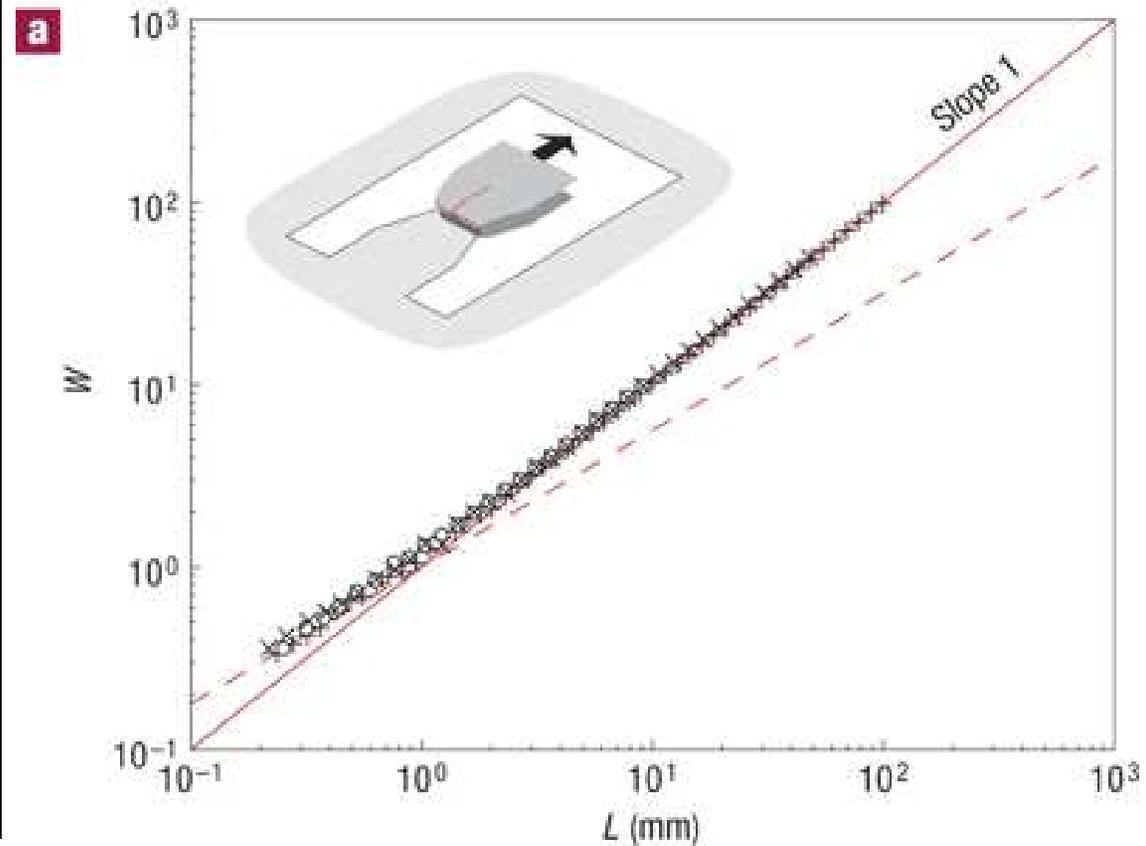
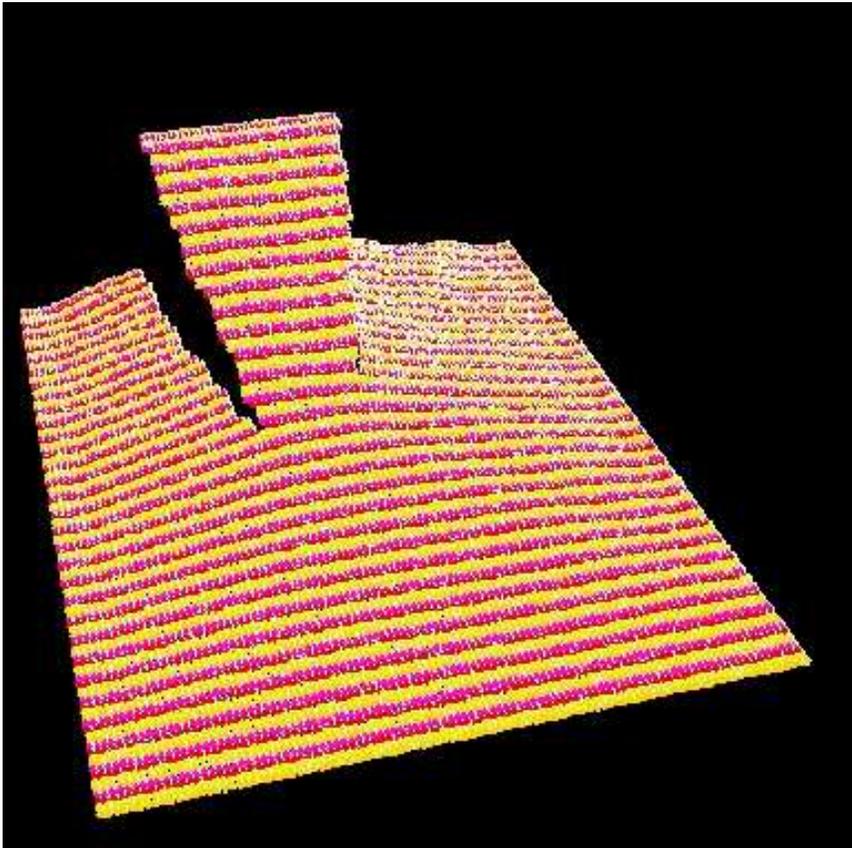
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Bursting of a balloon by a bullet.
Time increases *right to left*.

High speed photo by H. Edgerton (MIT collection)

9a. Peeling and tearing

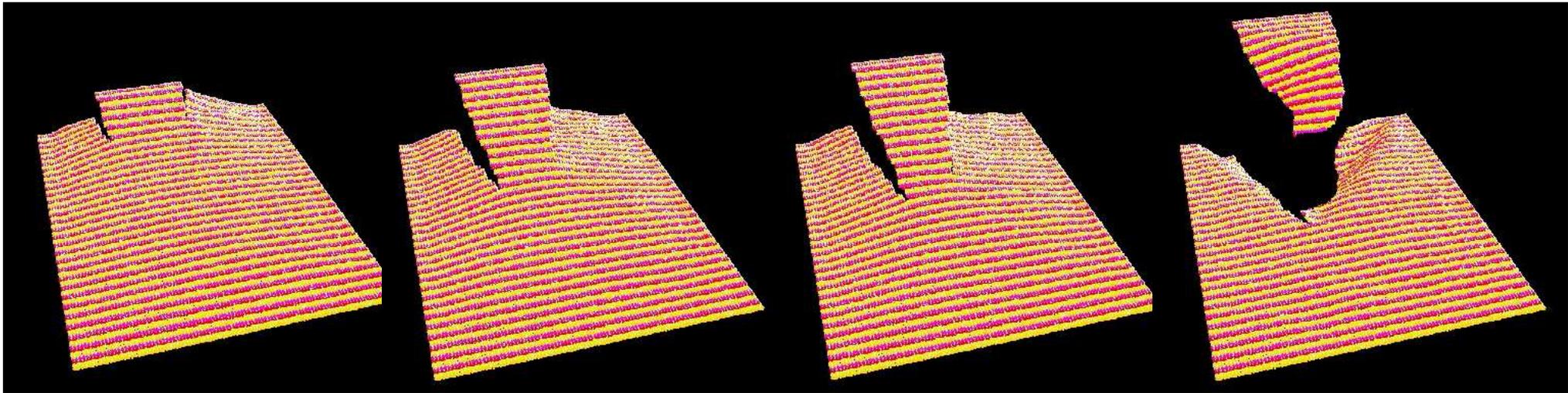


Peridynamics: Unsupported sheet,
pinned along 3 edges
(Computers and Structures, 2005)

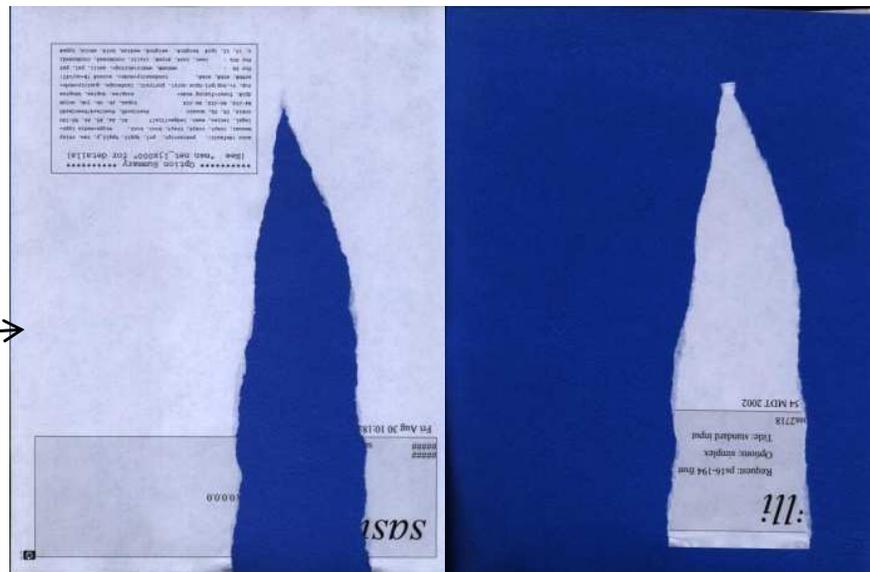
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9a. Interaction of 2 cracks: Peeling of a sheet

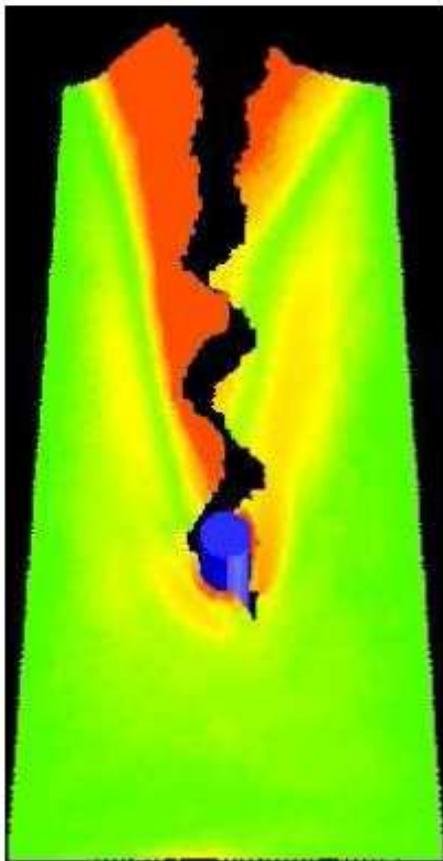
- Pull upward on part of a free edge – other 3 edges are fixed.



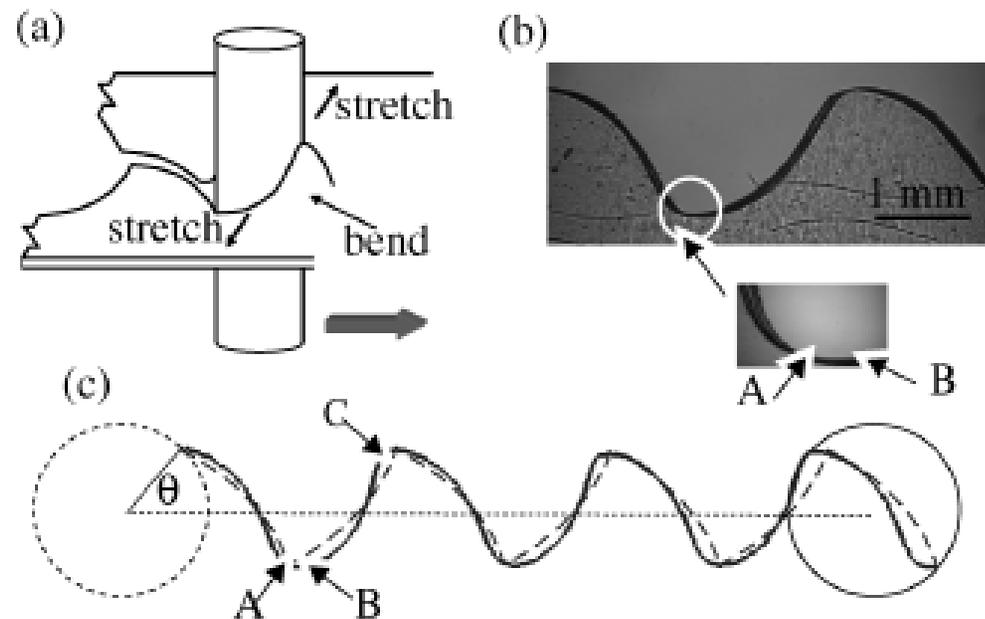
“Experimental data”



9b. Instability in the slow tearing of an elastic membrane



Peridynamics



Ghatak & Mahadevan, *Physical Review Letters* 91 (2003) 215507-1 – 2155-7-4

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Conclusion

Fracture phenomena spontaneously **emerge** in peridynamics simulations simply as a result of the choice of system geometry, ICs, BCs, and material model.

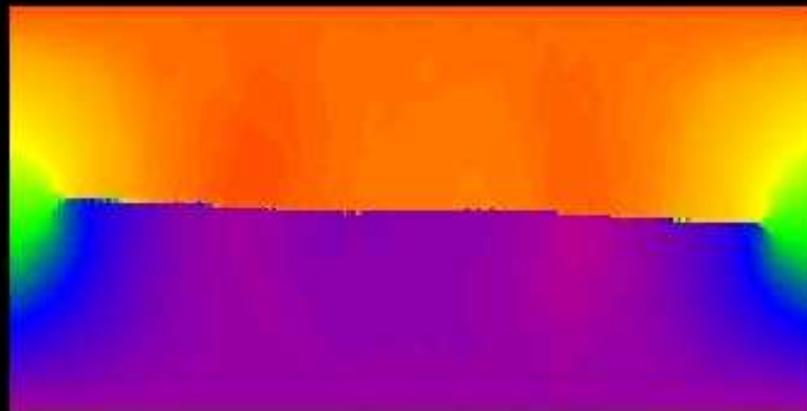
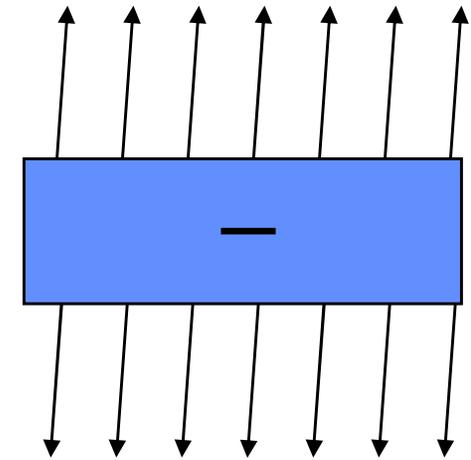
No supplemental kinetic relations are required; cracks grow in an **unguided** fashion.

In this sense peridynamics is **predictive** of dynamic fracture phenomena.

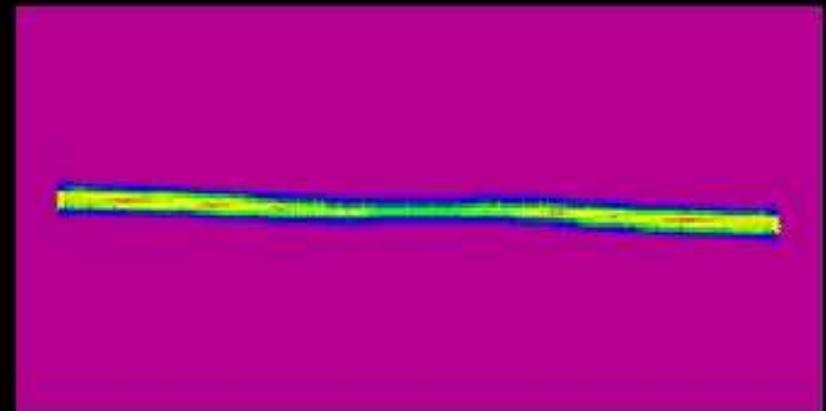
Crack growth at a shallow angle relative to a grid

- Plate with a pre-existing defect is subjected to prescribed boundary velocities.
- These BC correspond to mostly Mode-I loading with a little Mode-II.

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = (0.25\text{s}^{-1}) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

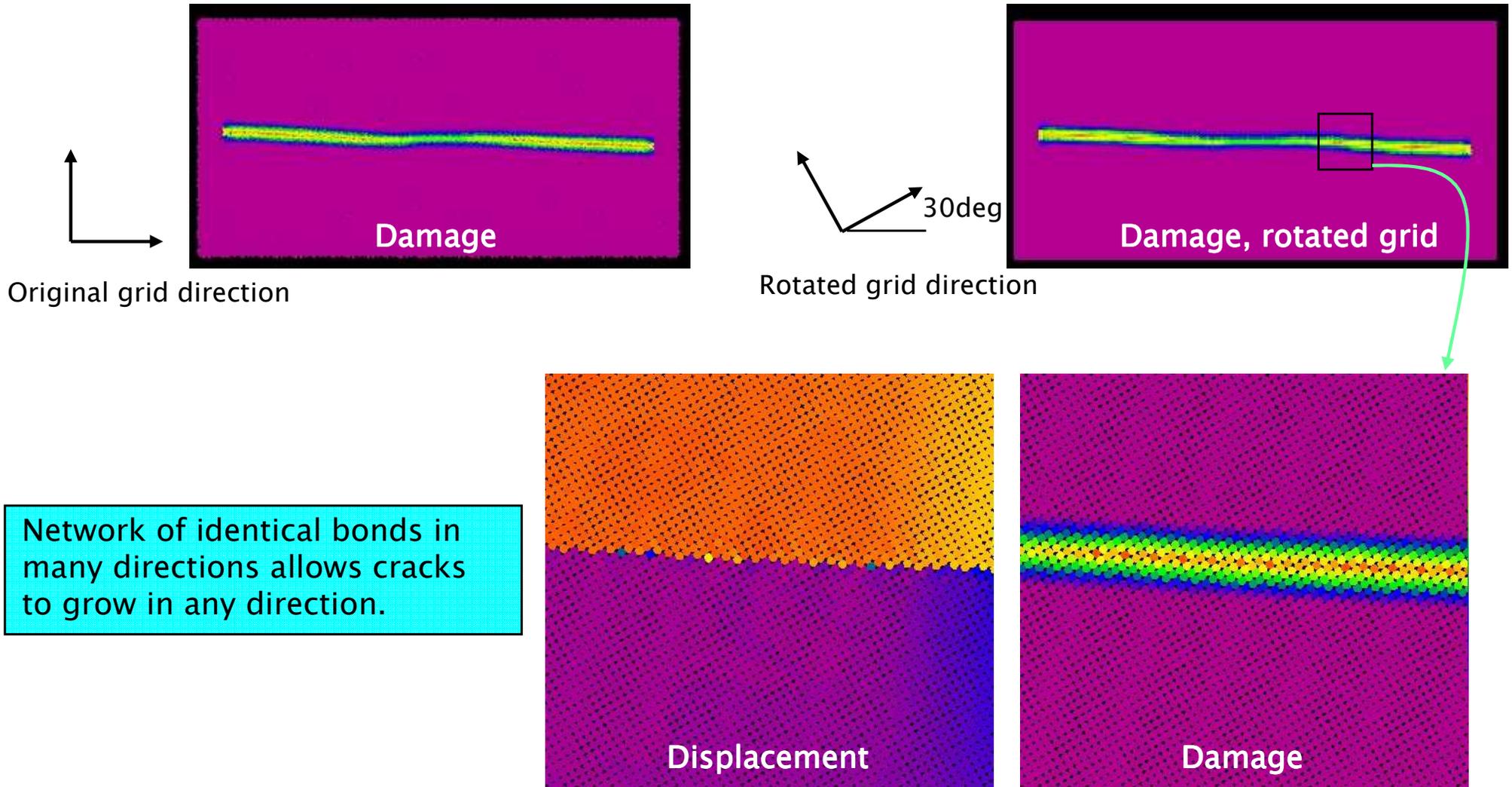


Contours of vertical displacement



Contours of damage

Crack growth direction is nearly independent of the grid orientation



Network of identical bonds in many directions allows cracks to grow in any direction.