## Study of thermo-elastic effects in laminated composites by the cohesive zone model

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- Cohesive Zone Model
- Extension to coupled thermoelastic problems

Traction-opening relations are taken into account and combined with heat flux-opening relations based on contact mechanics

The purpose is twofold :

1. To generalize thermoelastic contact analysis to fracture (Zavarise et al. 1992; Wriggers and Zavarise, 1993)

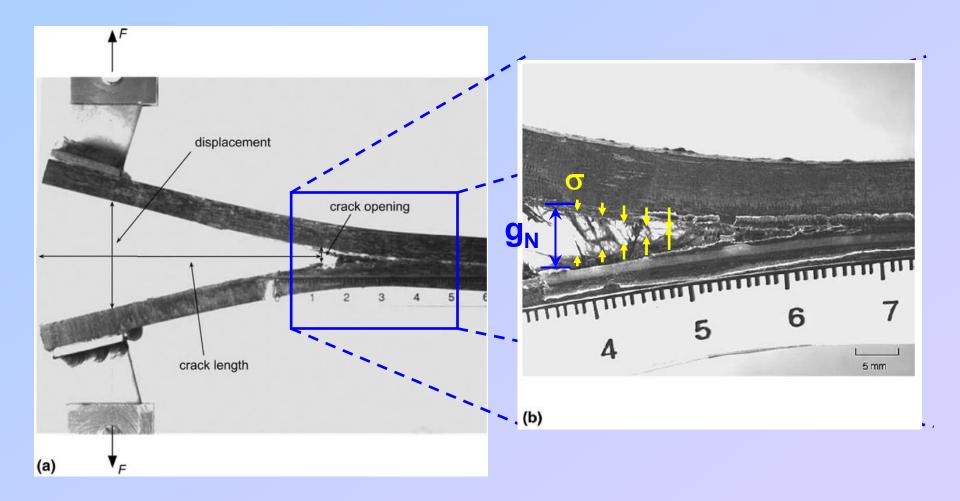
2. To propose a thermal model more physically sound than the others presented in the Literature (es. Kapitza's model)
(Hattiangadi&Siegmund 2004; Yvonnet et al. 2010; Özdemir et al., 2010)

Conclusions





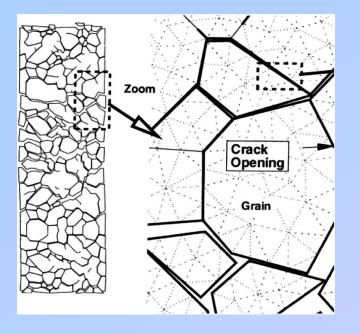
## Double cantilever beam test

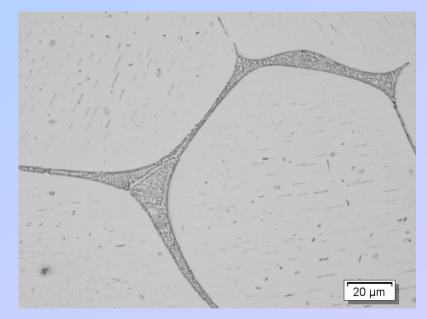




## **CZM:** applications

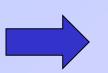




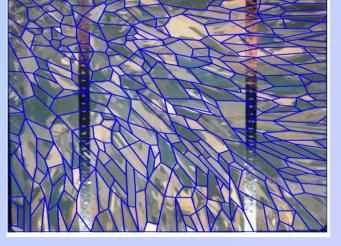


## MgCa0.8: biomedical stents

Paggi et al., Computational Mechanics (2012)



#### Silicon cells: photovoltaic modules

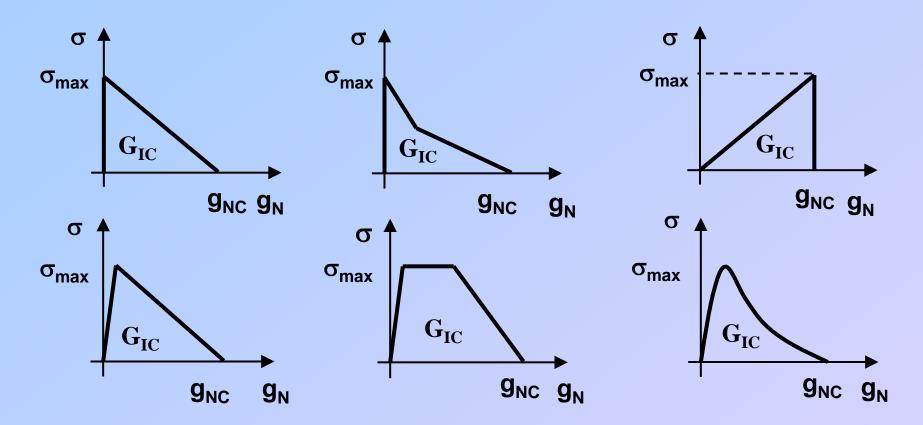


Paggi and Sapora, Energy Procedia (2013)



## **CZM: constituive law**





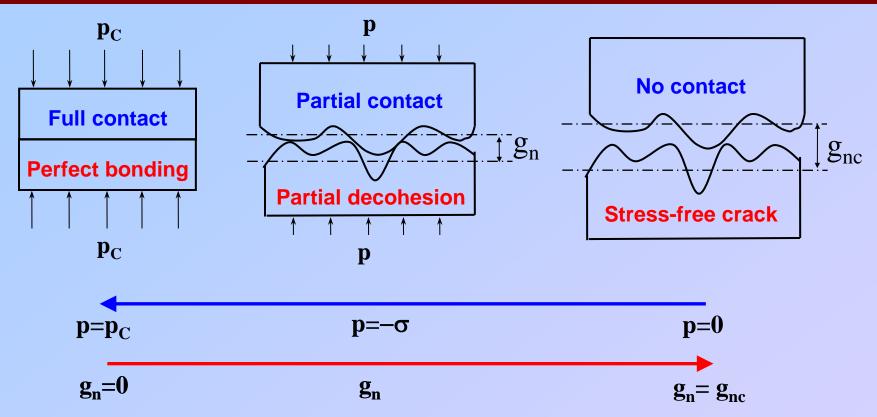
#### **Open issues:**

How is possible to relate the shape of the CZM to physics/mechanics?



## Fracture / contact mechanics





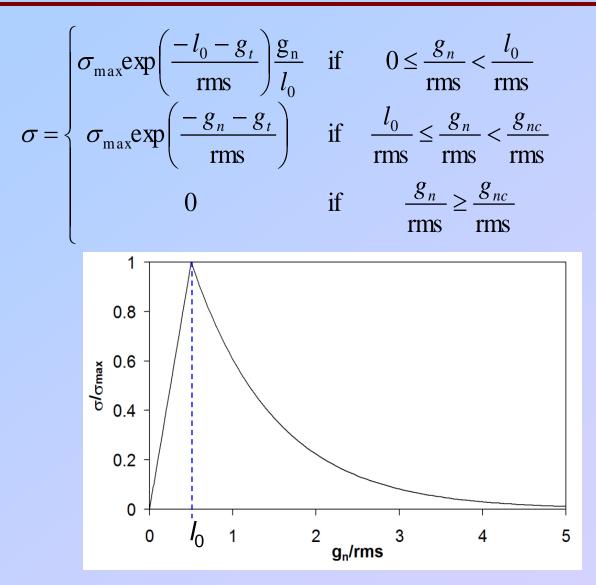
The introduction of "rms", the root mean square of asperity heights reveals to be necessary for an accurate analysis..

Paggi and Barber, International Journal of Heat and Mass Transfer (2011)



## **Cohesive stress**

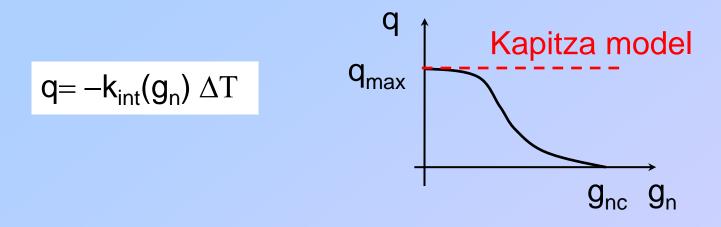




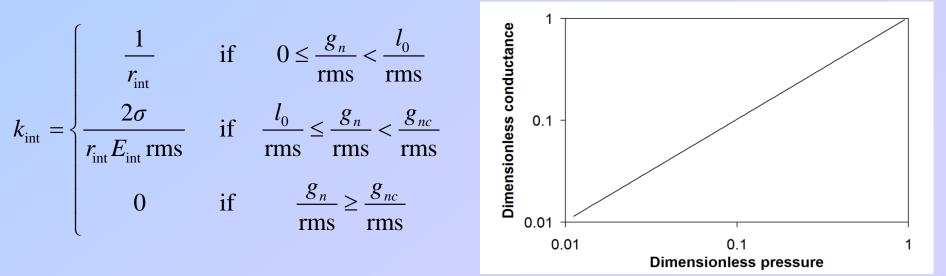
Greenwood and Williamson, Proceedings of the Royal Society of London (1966)







N.B. Interface conductance proportional to the normal stiffness:



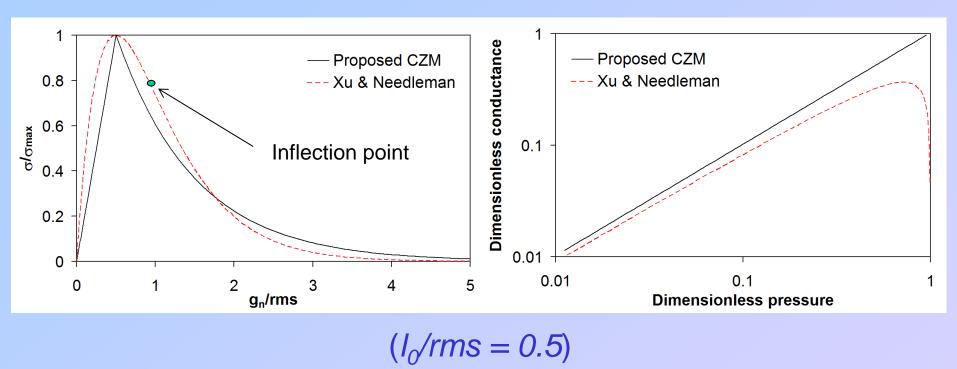
Barber, Proceedings of the Royal Society of London (2003)



**Stress** 



Conductance

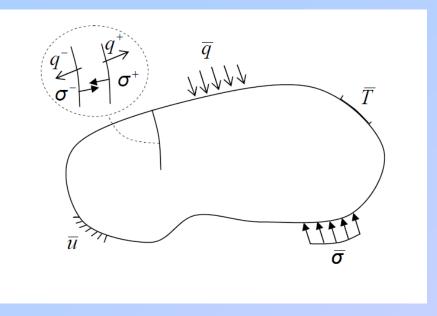


Xu and Needleman, Journal of the Mechanics and Physics of Solids (1994) Özdemir et al. Computational Mechanics (2010)



## Formulation of the problem: 1





V: volume S: surface

S: Cauchy stress tensorf: body force vectorw: displacement vector

Strong form:

$$\nabla^T \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{0}$$

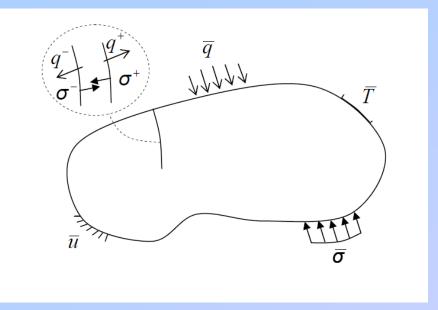
Weak form (PVW):

$$\int_{V} \mathbf{S} : \nabla(\delta \mathbf{w}) dV = \int_{V} \mathbf{f}^{T} (\delta \mathbf{w}) dV + \int_{S} \overline{\mathbf{\sigma}}^{T} (\delta \mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{S} + \int_{S_{\text{int}}} \mathbf{\sigma}^{T} (\delta \mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{S}$$



## Formulation of the problem: 2





V: volume S: surface

q: heat flux vectorQ: heat generationT: temperature

Strong form: 
$$-\nabla^T \mathbf{q} + Q = \rho c \dot{T}$$

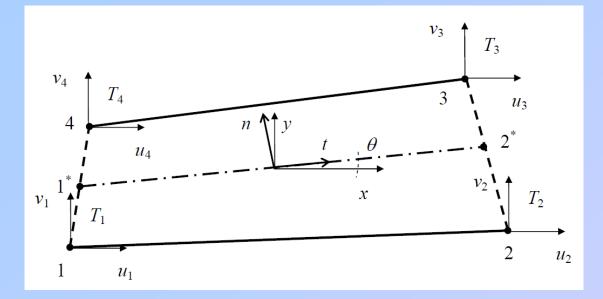
Weak form (variational form of the energy balance):

$$\int_{V} \mathbf{q}^{T} \nabla(\delta T) \mathrm{d}V = \int_{V} (\rho c \dot{T} - Q) \delta T \, \mathrm{d}V + \int_{S} \overline{\mathbf{q}}^{T} (\delta \mathbf{w}) \, \mathrm{dS} + \int_{S_{\mathrm{int}}} q(\delta T) \, \mathrm{dS}$$



## **FEA: interface element**





Gap vector:  $\mathbf{g} = (g_t, g_n, g_T)^T$ 

Flux vector:  $\boldsymbol{p} = (\tau, \sigma, q)^{\mathsf{T}}$ 

Weak form for the interface elements:

$$\delta G_{\text{int}} = \int_{S_{\text{int}}} \delta \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{p} \, \mathrm{d}S$$

Consistent linearization of the interface constitutive law (quadratic convergence in the Newton-Raphson scheme):

$$\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{g} \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \delta G_{\text{int}} = \int_{S_{\text{int}}} \delta \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{C} \mathbf{g} \, \mathrm{d}S$$

Paggi M, Wriggers P. Comp. Mat. Sci. (2012)



## FEA: constitutive matrix C



$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial g_{t}} & \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial g_{n}} & 0 \\ \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial g_{t}} & \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial g_{n}} & 0 \\ \frac{\partial q}{\partial g_{t}} & \frac{\partial q}{\partial g_{n}} & \frac{\partial q}{\partial g_{T}} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{CZM}$$
Thermoelastic effect
N.B. if we consider  $k_{int}$ =const (Kapitza's model):  $\frac{\partial q}{\partial g_{t}} = \frac{\partial q}{\partial g_{n}} = 0$ 

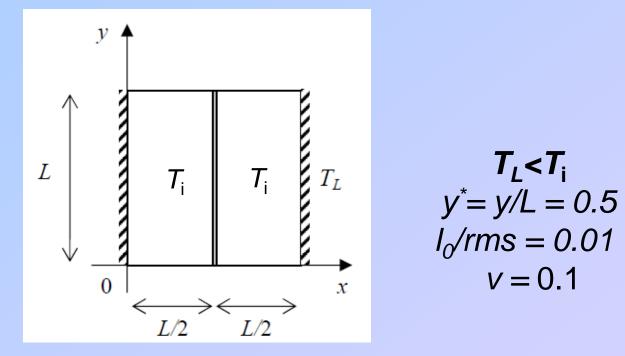
Tangent matrix for the Newton Raphson algorithm:

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{R}^T \int_{S_{int}} \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{C} \mathbf{B} dS \mathbf{R}$$



## **Parametric analysis**





Let us focus our attention on the transient regime. Buckingham's Theorem allows us reducing the dependency of  $T^*$  (combination of T,  $T_i$  and  $T_L$ ) to four parameters:

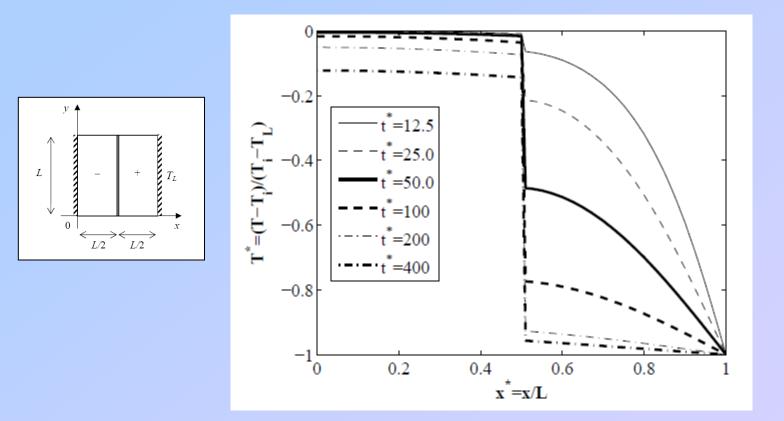
$$T^* = T^* \left( x^* = \frac{x}{L}, t^* = \frac{tD}{L^2}, g_{nc}^* = \frac{g_{nc}}{L}, \sigma_{max}^* = \frac{\sigma_{max}}{E} \right)$$



## **Results 1**



#### **Temperature field as time varies (** $y^* = y/L = 0.5$ **)**



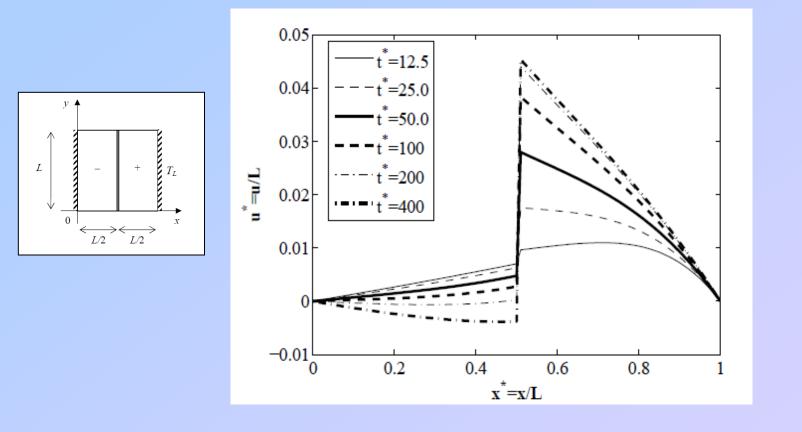
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#### **Displacement field as time varies (** $y^* = y/L = 0.5$ **)**



 $\sigma_{max}^* = 0.032, g_{nc}^* = 0.05$ 



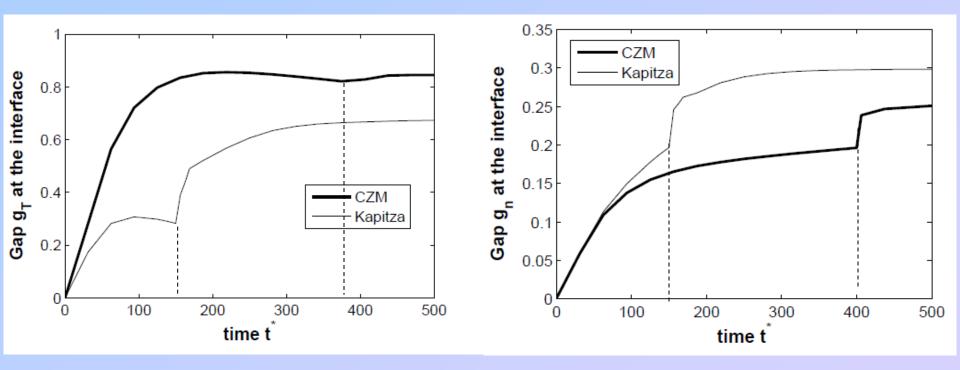




Let us compare the CZM results with  $k_{int}=1/r_{int}$ :

#### TEMPERATURE GAP

#### DISPLACEMENT GAP



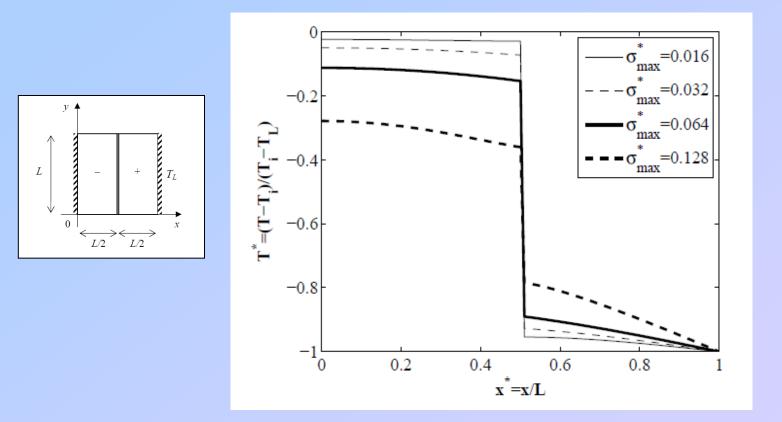
Neglecting thermoelastic coupling leads to different thermal and elastic behaviors..



## **Results 4**



### Temperature field as $\sigma^*_{max}$ varies (t\*=200)



An analogous behavior is observed by modifying  $g_{nc}^{*}(\sigma_{max}^{*} fixed)$ 





A thermo-mechanical CZM inspired by contact mechanics between rough surfaces has been put forward: the interface conductivity results to be a function of cohesive stresses

Thermo-elastic effects related to the transient regime are investigated, with particular attention to: i) the time evolution of the temperature and displacement ii) the influence of the cohesive parameters on fracture initiation

#### Future perspectives:

- i) numerical solution of 2D problems in the presence of multiple micro-cracks
- ii) coupling between the electric and the thermal fields







## **FIRB Future in Research**

### Structural Mechanics Models for Renewable Energy Applications, RBFR107AKG

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