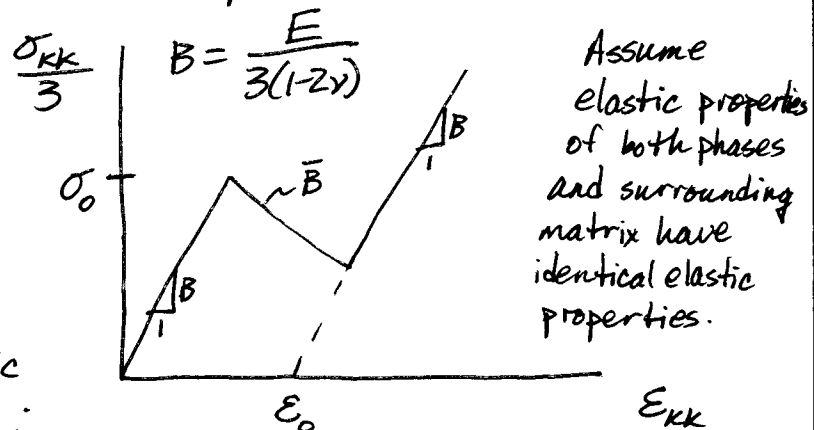


Dilatant Transformation Toughening

There exists a class of ceramics that are toughened by the addition of partially stabilized zirconia (ZrO_2) particles. When the stress acting on these particles reaches a critical level, the particles undergo a martensitic type of phase transformation (i.e. from one crystal structure to another). The volume of the transformed phase is larger than that of the untransformed phase. As a crack passes by, the K field causes transformations and the transformed particles apply closure stresses to the crack thus reducing the level of K_{tip} .

Constitutive Law :

Non-linearity occurs only in the hydrostatic stress vs. volume strain.



If $\bar{B} \leq -\frac{4\mu}{3}$ then a particle cannot exist on points along the downward sloping branch of the curve. Hence, when a particle transforms, it transforms completely. We will not delve into the mechanics explanation of this phenomenon.

Fracture Model: Assume that the transforming particles do not perturb the isotropic elastic K -field stresses. Hence, this model is only valid to order ϵ_0 , i.e. the solution for K_{tip} can be expanded as

$$K_{tip} = K_I + \frac{dK_{tip}}{d\epsilon_0} \epsilon_0 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 K_{tip}}{d\epsilon_0^2} \epsilon_0^2 + \dots$$

We are neglecting these terms.

$$K_{tip} = K_I + \underbrace{K_I^{Transformation}}_{K_I \text{ due to particles transforming}}$$

In order to determine $K_I^{Trans.}$ we will perform the following procedure.

- 1) Determine the volume (area) of material that will transform.
- 2) Remove this material and allow it to expand freely within the plane (plane strain in z).
- 3) Apply appropriate surface tractions and body forces such that the strain at every point is returned to zero.
- 4) Put the material back in its hole and release the applied forces by essentially applying the opposite of these forces to the body.

5) Use weight function methods to determine K_I^{Trans} from the forces applied in step 4.

$$1) \rightarrow \frac{\sigma_{kk}}{3} = \sigma_0 \quad \sigma_{zz} = \nu(\sigma_{xx} + \sigma_{yy}) = \nu(\sigma_{rr} + \sigma_{\theta\theta})$$

for plane strain

$$\frac{K_I}{\sqrt{2\pi R_T}} \frac{2(1+\nu)}{3} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \sigma_0$$

$$\therefore R_T = \frac{2(1+\nu)^2}{9\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

We will discuss 2 cases, the stationary crack and the steady-state condition.

For the stationary crack the equation for R_T is valid for all θ , i.e. $-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi$.

However, for the growing crack this equation is only valid for the frontal boundary.

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θ_{ss} occurs where $y = y_{\max}$

$$y = R_T \sin \theta = \frac{2(1+\nu)^2}{9\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 \sin \theta \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = \frac{2(1+\nu)^2}{9\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 \left(\cos \theta \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 2 \sin \theta \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$\therefore \cos \frac{\theta}{2} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \cos \theta \cos \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \theta \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = 0$$

$$\theta = \pm \pi$$

$$\cos \frac{3\theta}{2} = 0$$

$$\theta = \pm \pi/3$$

For steady state there is a frontal zone with $-\frac{\pi}{3} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{3}$ along with two semi-infinite strips of height y_{\max} .

$$2) \rightarrow \begin{aligned} \epsilon_{xx} &= \frac{1}{E} \sigma_{xx} - \frac{\nu}{E} (\sigma_{yy} + \sigma_{zz}) + \frac{\epsilon_0}{3} \\ \epsilon_{yy} &= \frac{1}{E} \sigma_{yy} - \frac{\nu}{E} (\sigma_{xx} + \sigma_{zz}) + \frac{\epsilon_0}{3} \\ \epsilon_{zz} &= \frac{1}{E} \sigma_{zz} - \frac{\nu}{E} (\sigma_{xx} + \sigma_{yy}) + \frac{\epsilon_0}{3} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

plane strain \swarrow

$$\therefore \sigma_{zz} = \nu (\sigma_{xx} + \sigma_{yy}) - \frac{E \epsilon_0}{3}$$

$$\rightarrow \epsilon_{xx} = \frac{1-\nu^2}{E} \sigma_{xx} - \frac{\nu(1+\nu)}{E} \sigma_{yy} + \frac{(1+\nu)\epsilon_0}{3}$$

$$\epsilon_{yy} = \frac{1-\nu^2}{E} \sigma_{yy} - \frac{\nu(1+\nu)}{E} \sigma_{xx} + \frac{(1+\nu)\epsilon_0}{3}$$

For free in-plane expansion $\sigma_{xx} = \sigma_{yy} = 0$

$$\rightarrow \epsilon_{xx} = \epsilon_{yy} = \frac{1+\nu}{3} \epsilon_0$$

$$3) \rightarrow \epsilon_{xx} = \epsilon_{yy} = 0 \rightarrow \sigma_{xx} = \sigma_{yy} = \sigma$$

$$\frac{1-\nu^2}{E} \sigma - \frac{\nu+\nu^2}{E} \sigma + \frac{1+\nu}{3} \epsilon_0 = 0$$

$$\frac{1-\nu-2\nu^2}{E} \sigma = -\frac{1+\nu}{3} \epsilon_0$$

$$\frac{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)}{E} \sigma = -\frac{1+\nu}{3} \epsilon_0$$

$$\therefore \sigma_{xx} = \sigma_{yy} = \sigma = -\frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)} \epsilon_0$$

$$b_i = -\sigma_{ij,j} = 0$$

$$t_i = \sigma_{ij} n_j = -\frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)} \epsilon_0 \underbrace{\delta_{ij}}_{i,j=1,2 \text{ only}} n_j = -\frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)} \epsilon_0 n_i$$

4) → Apply $b_i = 0$ and $t_i = \frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)} \epsilon_0 n_i$ to cracked geometry.

$$\begin{aligned} 5) \rightarrow K_I^{\text{Trans.}} &= \int_A h_i b_i dA + \int_{s_A} h_i t_i dS_A \\ &= \int_{s_A} \frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)} \epsilon_0 h_i n_i dS_A \\ &= \frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)} \epsilon_0 \int_A h_{ij} dA \end{aligned}$$

$$h_{ij} = h_{x,x} + h_{y,y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_{x,x} &= \frac{\partial h_x}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial h_x}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = \cos \theta \frac{\partial h_x}{\partial r} + \frac{-\sin \theta}{r} \frac{\partial h_x}{\partial \theta} \\ &= \frac{-1}{\chi+1} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} r^{-3/2} \left[(1-\chi) \left(\cos^3 \frac{\theta}{2} - 3 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 3 \cos \theta \sin \theta \sin \frac{3\theta}{2} + 3 \sin \theta \sin \theta \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_{y,y} &= \frac{\partial h_y}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial h_y}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} = \sin \theta \frac{\partial h_y}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos \theta}{r} \frac{\partial h_y}{\partial \theta} \\ &= \frac{-1}{\chi+1} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} r^{-3/2} \left[(\chi+1) \left(-\cos \frac{3\theta}{2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sin \theta \sin \theta \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} + 2 \cos \theta \cos \theta \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} - 3 \cos \theta \sin \theta \sin \frac{3\theta}{2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore h_{x,x} + h_{y,y} &= \frac{-1}{\chi+1} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} r^{-3/2} \left[\cos \frac{3\theta}{2} (1-\chi-\chi-1) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2(\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta) \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{-1}{\chi+1} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} (2-2\chi) \\
 &= \frac{\chi-1}{\chi+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} \quad \text{plane strain} \\
 &= \frac{1-2\nu}{1-\nu} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} \quad \begin{aligned} &\chi = 3-4\nu \\ &\rightarrow \frac{\chi-1}{\chi+1} = \frac{2(1-2\nu)}{4(1-\nu)} = \frac{1-2\nu}{2(1-\nu)} \end{aligned}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore K_I^{\text{Trans}} = \frac{E}{3(1-\nu)} \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_A r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} dA$$

For particles that undergo complete transformation

Stationary Case

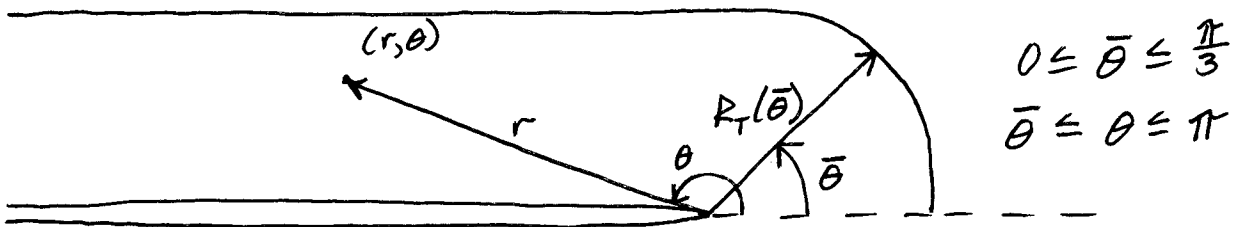
$$\begin{aligned}
 K_I^{\text{Trans}} &= \frac{E}{3(1-\nu)} \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} 2 \int_0^\pi \int_0^{R_r(\theta)} r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} r dr d\theta \\
 &= \frac{E\epsilon_0}{3\sqrt{2\pi}(1-\nu)} \int_0^\pi 2 r^{1/2} \Big|_0^{R_r} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2E\epsilon_0}{3\sqrt{2\pi}(1-\nu)} \frac{\sqrt{2}(1+\nu)}{3\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{K_I}{\sigma_0} \underbrace{\int_0^\pi \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} d\theta}_{= \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta + \frac{1}{4}\sin 2\theta} \Big|_0^\pi \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore K_I^{\text{Trans}} = 0 \quad \text{for the stationary crack}$$

\therefore For the stationary crack $K_{Tip} = K_I$, i.e. there is no shielding of the crack tip stress intensity from the transformation zone. This has to do with path-independence of J (however, application of J to this type of "supercritically transforming" material must be done with care).

Steady-State Case

Consider the upper half-plane



$$K_I^{Trans} = \int_A \frac{E}{3(1-\nu)} \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} dA$$

$$dA = dx dy$$

$$y = R_T(\bar{\theta}) \sin \bar{\theta}$$

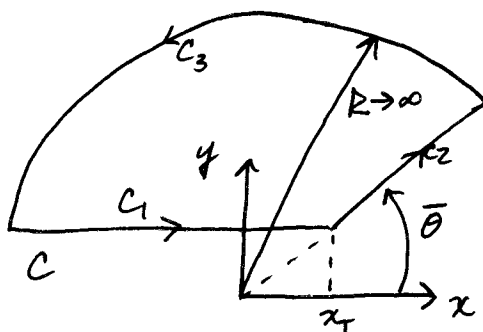
$$dy = \left(\frac{dR_T}{d\bar{\theta}} \sin \bar{\theta} + R_T \cos \bar{\theta} \right) d\bar{\theta}$$

$$= \frac{2(1+\nu)^2}{9\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 \left(\cos \bar{\theta} \cos^2 \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} - \sin \bar{\theta} \sin^2 \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} \cos \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} \right) d\bar{\theta}$$

$$dy = \frac{2(1+\nu)^2}{9\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 \cos \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} \cos \frac{3\bar{\theta}}{2} d\bar{\theta}$$

$$\therefore K_I^{Trans} = \frac{E}{3(1-\nu)} \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{2(1+\nu)^2}{9\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 \int_0^{\pi/3} \cos \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} \cos \frac{3\bar{\theta}}{2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{R_T} r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} dx \right) d\bar{\theta}$$

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} dx$ by contour integration



$$\oint_C z^{-3/2} dz = 0$$

$$C_1: z = x + iy = r e^{i\theta}$$

$$dz = dx \quad x_T = R_T \cos \bar{\theta}$$

$$C_2: z = r e^{i\bar{\theta}}$$

$$dz = e^{i\bar{\theta}} dr$$

$$C_3: z = R e^{i\theta}$$

$$dz = i R e^{i\theta} d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{R_T \cos \bar{\theta}} r^{-3/2} \left(\cos \frac{3\theta}{2} - i \sin \frac{3\theta}{2} \right) dx \\ & + \int_{R_T}^{\infty} r^{-3/2} \left(\cos \frac{3\bar{\theta}}{2} - i \sin \frac{3\bar{\theta}}{2} \right) \left(\cos \bar{\theta} + i \sin \bar{\theta} \right) dr \\ & + \int_{\bar{\theta}}^{\pi} i R^{-1/2} e^{i\theta} e^{-i\frac{3\theta}{2}} d\theta = 0 \end{aligned}$$

\downarrow 0 as $R \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{R_T}^{\infty} r^{-3/2} e^{-i\frac{\bar{\theta}}{2}} dr &= \left[-2 r^{-1/2} e^{-i\frac{\bar{\theta}}{2}} \right]_{R_T}^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{R_T}} \left(\cos \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} - i \sin \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

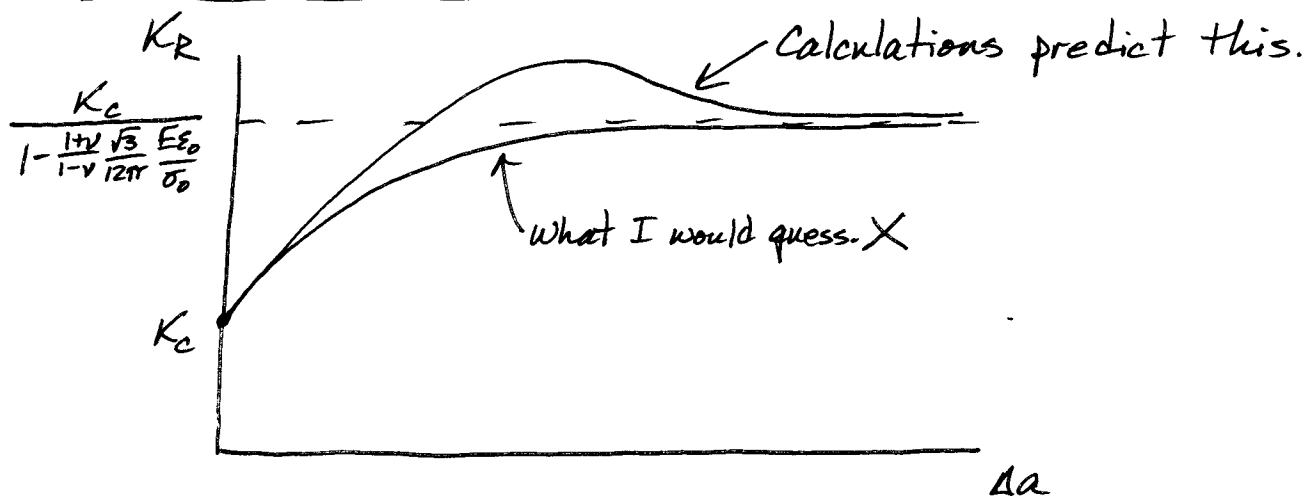
But, both the real and imaginary parts of the sum must be zero.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \int_{-\infty}^{2r} r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} dx &= -\frac{2}{\sqrt{r_T}} \cos \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} \\ &= -\frac{2 \cdot 3\sqrt{\pi} \sigma_0}{\sqrt{2}(1+\nu)} \frac{K_I}{K_I} \frac{\cos \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2}}{\cos \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow K_I^{Trans} &= \frac{-E\epsilon_0}{3(1-\nu)} \frac{2(1+\nu)^2}{9\pi\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0}\right)^2 \frac{2 \cdot 3\sqrt{\pi} \sigma_0}{\sqrt{2}(1+\nu)} K_I \int_0^{\pi/3} \cos \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} \cos \frac{3\bar{\theta}}{2} d\bar{\theta} \\ &= -\frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \frac{2}{9\pi} \frac{E\epsilon_0}{\sigma_0} K_I \int_0^{\pi/3} \frac{1}{2} (\cos 2\bar{\theta} + \cos \bar{\theta}) d\bar{\theta} \\ &\quad \left[\frac{1}{4} \sin 2\bar{\theta} + \frac{1}{2} \sin \bar{\theta} \right]_0^{\pi/3} \\ &\quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_I^{Trans} &= -\frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8} \frac{2}{9\pi} \frac{E\epsilon_0}{\sigma_0} K_I \\ &= -\frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12\pi} \frac{E\epsilon_0}{\sigma_0} K_I \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore K_{Tip} = K_I \left(1 - \frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12\pi} \frac{E\epsilon_0}{\sigma_0} \right) \text{ to first order in } \epsilon_0$$



We actually did not have to do the y -integration using the transformation to $\bar{\theta}$.

$$K_I^{\text{Trans}} = \frac{E}{3(1-\nu)} \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\sqrt{2}\pi} 2 \int_0^h \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r^{-3/2} \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} dx dy$$

$$= \frac{E}{3(1-\nu)} \frac{\epsilon_0}{\sqrt{2}\pi} \frac{-2 \cdot 3\sqrt{\pi}}{\sqrt{2}(1+\nu)} \frac{\sigma_0}{K_I} \int_0^h dy$$

$$= \frac{-E\epsilon_0}{(1-\nu)(1+\nu)} \frac{\sigma_0}{K_I} h$$

$$= \frac{-E\epsilon_0}{(1-\nu)(1+\nu)} \frac{\sigma_0}{K_I} \frac{2(1+\nu)^{3/2}}{3\sqrt{2}\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0}\right)^{3/2} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{84}$$

$$K_I^{\text{Trans}} = -\frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12\pi} \frac{E\epsilon_0}{\sigma_0} K_I$$

$$\therefore K_{\text{Tip}} = K_I \left(1 - \frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12\pi} \frac{E\epsilon_0}{\sigma_0} \right)$$

Note the ratio $\frac{E\epsilon_0}{\sigma_0} = \frac{\sigma_0 \epsilon_0}{\sigma_0^2/E}$

$$= \frac{\text{dissipated energy}}{\text{stored elastic energy}}$$

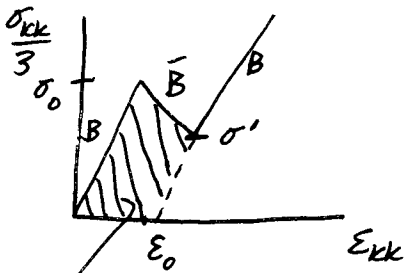
The energy approach for Steady-State

$$\frac{K_I^2}{E'} = G_c + \int_{-h}^h W(x \rightarrow -\infty, y) dy$$

$$\frac{K_I^2 (1-\nu^2)}{E} = \frac{K_{TIP}^2 (1-\nu^2)}{E} + 2 \int_0^h W(x \rightarrow -\infty, y) dy$$

How do we determine $W(x \rightarrow -\infty, y)$?

Two parts, dissipation due to transformation and elastic energy stored in wake.



For reasons we will not discuss $\bar{B} = \frac{-4\mu}{3} = -\frac{2E}{3(1+\nu)}$ for the case where transformation is always complete.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dissipation} &= \sigma_0 \varepsilon_0 + \frac{1}{2} (\sigma' - \sigma_0) \varepsilon_0 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sigma_0 \varepsilon_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sigma' \varepsilon_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma' = B(\epsilon_{kk} - \epsilon_0) = \sigma_0 + \bar{B}(\epsilon_{kk} - \frac{\sigma_0}{B})$$

$$\epsilon_{KK}(B-\bar{B}) = \sigma_0 \left(1 - \frac{\bar{B}}{B}\right) + B\epsilon_0$$

$$\epsilon_{kk} = \sigma_0 \frac{B - \bar{B}}{B(B - \bar{B})} + \frac{B}{B - \bar{B}} \epsilon_0 = \frac{\sigma_0}{B} + \frac{B}{B - \bar{B}} \epsilon_0$$

$$\therefore \sigma' = \sigma_0 + \frac{B^2}{B-\bar{B}} \varepsilon_0 - \frac{B(B-\bar{B})}{B-\bar{B}} \varepsilon_0 = \sigma_0 + \frac{B\bar{B}}{B-\bar{B}} \varepsilon_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Dissipation} &= \sigma_0 \epsilon_0 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\overline{B\dot{B}}}{B-\dot{B}} \epsilon_0^2 \\ &= \sigma_0 \epsilon_0 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{E}{3(1+2\nu)} \frac{-2E}{3(1+\nu)} \frac{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)}{E(1-\nu)} \epsilon_0^2 \\ &= \sigma_0 \epsilon_0 - \frac{1}{9} \frac{E \epsilon_0^2}{1-\nu} \end{aligned}$$

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Stored elastic energy in wake = $SE = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{ij} \underbrace{\varepsilon_{ij}^e}_{\text{elastic part of strain}}$

In wake as $x \rightarrow -\infty$

$$\varepsilon_{xx} = \varepsilon_{zz} = 0 \quad \sigma_{yy} = 0 \text{ (crack BC)}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{xx} &= \frac{1}{E} \sigma_{xx} - \frac{\nu}{E} \sigma_{zz} + \frac{\varepsilon_0}{3} = 0 \\ \varepsilon_{zz} &= \frac{1}{E} \sigma_{zz} - \frac{\nu}{E} \sigma_{xx} + \frac{\varepsilon_0}{3} = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} \sigma_{xx} &= \sigma_{zz} = -\frac{E \varepsilon_0}{3(1-\nu)} \\ \varepsilon_{xx}^e &= \varepsilon_{zz}^e = -\frac{\varepsilon_0}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore SE = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{E \varepsilon_0^2}{9(1-\nu)} + \frac{E \varepsilon_0^2}{9(1-\nu)} \right) = \frac{E \varepsilon_0^2}{9(1-\nu)}$$

$$W = \text{Dissipation} + SE = \sigma_0 \varepsilon_0 - \frac{E \varepsilon_0^2}{9(1-\nu)} + \frac{E \varepsilon_0^2}{9(1-\nu)} = \sigma_0 \varepsilon_0$$

$$\therefore Z \int_0^h W(x \rightarrow -\infty, y) dy = Z \sigma_0 \varepsilon_0 h$$

$$h = R_T \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) \sin \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{2(1+\nu)^2}{9\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 \frac{3}{4} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

↑ Recall this is the 1st order approximation valid up to $O(\varepsilon_0^2)$

$$\therefore \frac{K_I^2 (1-\nu^2)}{E} = \frac{K_{Tip}^2 (1-\nu^2)}{E} + \frac{2\sqrt{3}(1+\nu)^2}{12\pi} \left(\frac{K_I}{\sigma_0} \right)^2 \sigma_0 \varepsilon_0$$

$$K_{Tip}^2 = K_I^2 - \frac{2E}{(1-\nu)(1+\nu)} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12\pi} (1+\nu)^2 \frac{\varepsilon_0}{\sigma_0} K_I^2$$

$$K_{Tip} = K_I \sqrt{1 - \frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6\pi} \frac{E \varepsilon_0}{\sigma_0}} \quad \text{Recall: } \sqrt{1-x} \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2}x + O(x^2)$$

$$\approx K_I \left(1 - \frac{1+\nu}{1-\nu} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12\pi} \frac{E \varepsilon_0}{\sigma_0} \right) \checkmark \quad \text{To 1st order in } \varepsilon_0$$