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## Challenges related with singular sources in elasticity

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## Talk plan

- The formalism
- Geometry of elastic charges
- Mechanics of elastic charges
- Fictitious elastic charges


# Geometric formulation of elasticity 

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For example - a Hookean constitutive law

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$A$ is the elastic tensor.

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How this functional can be minimized in practice? (Mechanics)

# Geometric description of elastic charges ${ }^{2}$ 

## The solution

Multipoles of curvature

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A conformal representation of the reference metric

$$
\overline{\mathfrak{g}}=e^{2 \phi(r, \theta)}\left(\begin{array}{cc}
1 & 0 \\
0 & r^{2}
\end{array}\right)
$$

$$
\phi(r, \theta)=\beta+\alpha \ln (r)+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^{-n}\left(\alpha_{n} \sin (n \theta)+\beta_{n} \cos (n \theta)\right)
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Why is it good?

## Localized plastic deformation

Defects in amorphous solids


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Elastic charge at least of quadrupolar order

## Displacement field of a localized plastic deformation ${ }^{3}$



## The description of several elastic charges ${ }^{4}$



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Additivity of the conformal factor

$$
\overline{\mathfrak{g}}=e^{2 \varphi}\left(\begin{array}{cc}
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$$

${ }^{4}$ Livne et al. 2014 Nature Communications

Mechanics of elastic charges ${ }^{5}$

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Representation if the solution

$$
\sigma^{\mu \nu}=\sqrt{\frac{1}{|\mathfrak{g}|}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\mid \overline{\mathfrak{g}}} \varepsilon^{\mu \alpha}} \varepsilon^{\nu \beta} \nabla_{\alpha} \bar{\nabla}_{\beta} \psi
$$

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## Interacting elastic multipoles

$$
U_{12}=\int \psi_{1} \bar{K}_{2} d S
$$

## Defect type

$\psi$
$\bar{K}_{G}$
Monopole $\quad \frac{Y}{8 \pi} q|\mathbf{x}|^{2}(\ln |\mathbf{x}|-1)$

$$
q \delta(\mathbf{x})
$$

Dipole

$$
\frac{Y}{4 \pi}(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{x}) \ln |\mathbf{x}|
$$

$$
(\mathbf{p} \cdot \nabla) \delta(\mathbf{x})
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Quadrupole

$$
\frac{Y}{16 \pi}\left(\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{T} \cdot \mathbf{Q} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{x}}\right)
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$$
\frac{1}{4}\left(\nabla^{T} \cdot \mathbf{Q} \cdot \nabla\right) \delta(\mathbf{x})
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Point
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$\frac{1}{4}\left(\nabla^{T} \cdot \mathbf{C} \cdot \nabla\right) \delta(\mathbf{x})$
External
$\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^{T} \cdot \operatorname{Cof}(\sigma) \cdot \mathbf{x}$

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Interactions between holes


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Kirigami


## Mechanics of Kirigami

A small taste from a work in progress

Array of frames


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## Fictitious elastic charges



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The lowest order of the fictitious charge is always the quadrupole

## Screening defects (Seung \& Nelson 88')



$$
\frac{1}{Y} \Delta \Delta \chi=\bar{K}-K
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## Screening the quadrupole



Effective mechanics of pulled frames

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## Array of fictitious quadrupoles



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Neighboring frames are compatible


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Frames are frustrated

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Collective excitation of screening quadrupoles

## Thank you


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Livne et al. 2014 Nature Communications

[^1]:    ${ }^{4}$ Livne et al. 2014 Nature Communications

[^2]:    ${ }^{5}$ M.M., et al. 2015 PRE

