

# Monte-Carlo Simulation of Failure Phenomena using Particle Discretization

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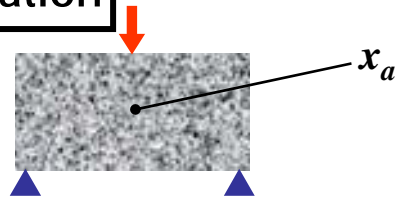
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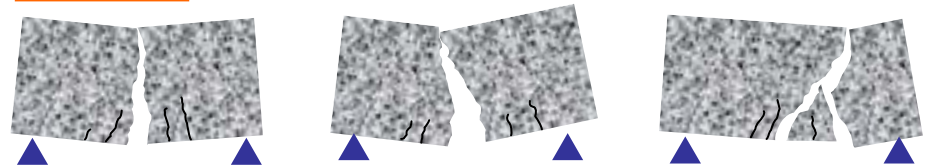
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# Motivation

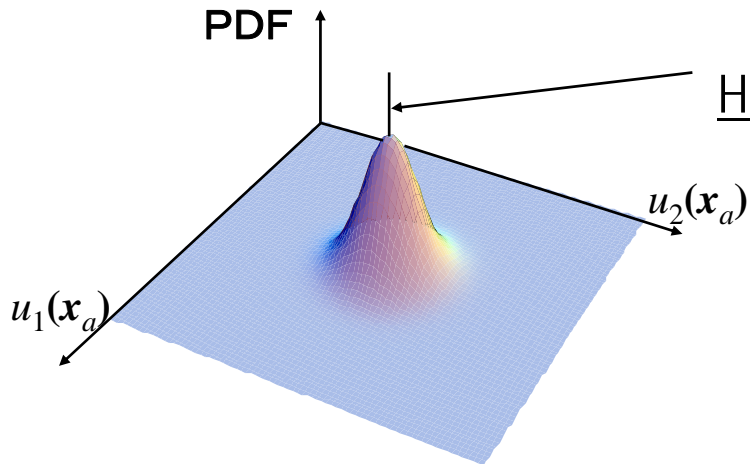
Deformation



Failure

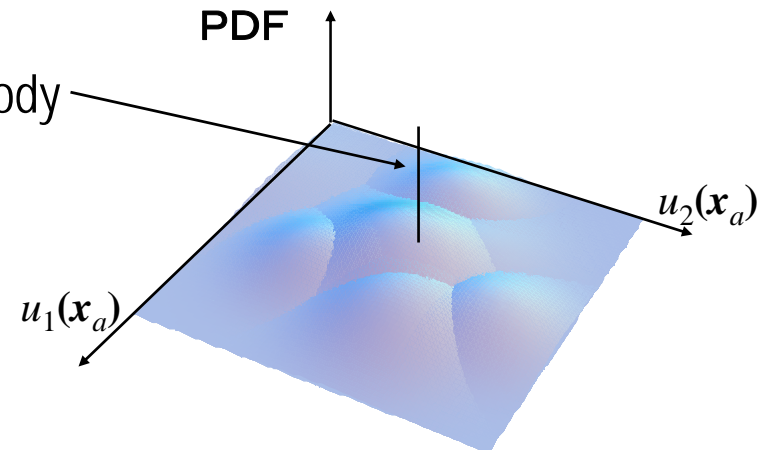


PDF



Solution for  
Homogeneous body

PDF



Phenomenon  $\doteq$  Behavior of Homogeneous body

Phenomenon  $\neq$  Behavior of Homogeneous body

Accurate solution for homogeneous body with expensive discretization

Utter Significance

Almost Meaningless

# Things to Discuss on Analysis of Failure Behavior

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## ◆ Effect of local heterogeneity

- Behavior of ideally homogeneous body  $\neq$  What really happens  
(extensive, expensive analysis on ideally homogeneous body  $\dots ?$  )
- Convergence in local sense needed?  
(Failure phenomena do not converge in local sense)
- Methods with wide variety of failure patterns depending on local heterogeneity  
(Which could be called mesh dependence )

## ◆ Number of DOF

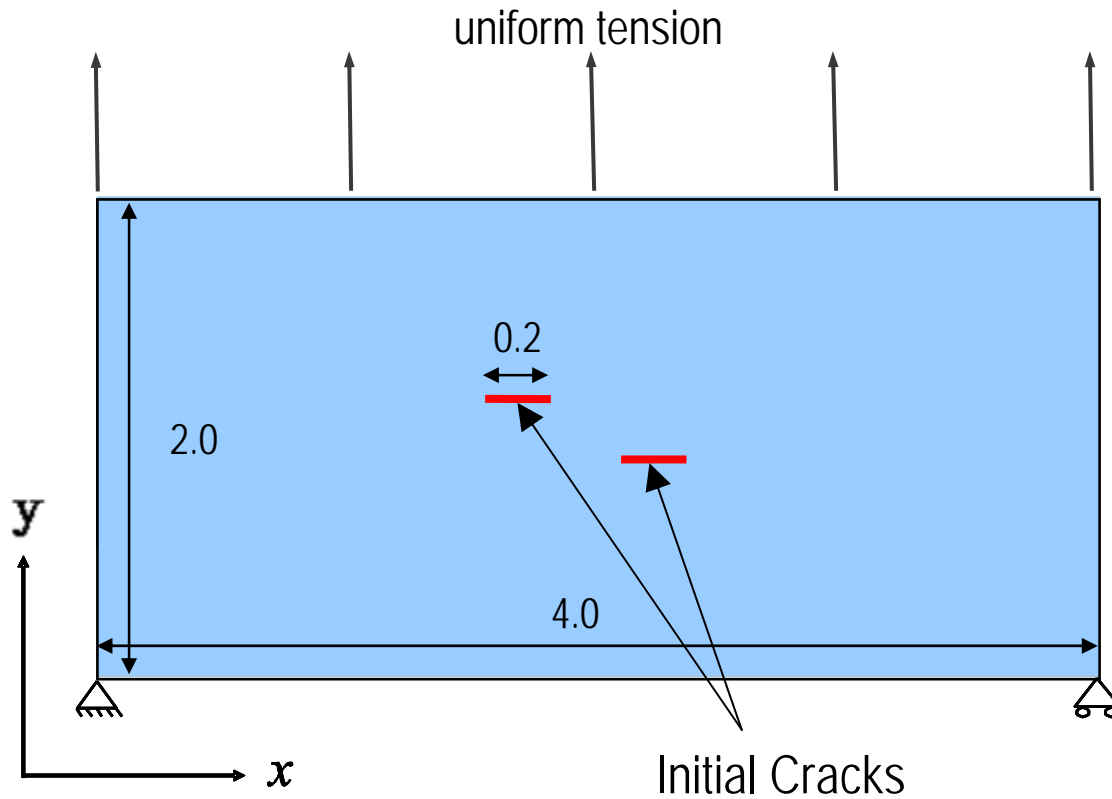
- " Fine Mesh  $\Rightarrow$  High Accuracy " does not always hold
- Proper order of discretization depending on the scale of local heterogeneity

# Objectives

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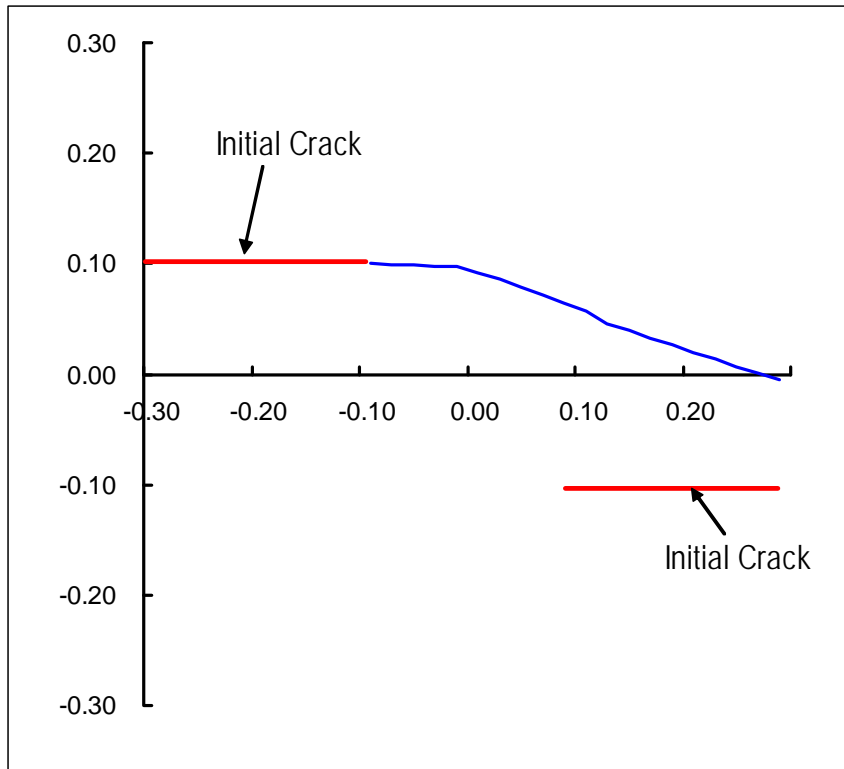
- ◆ Numerical analysis on failure behavior of bodies with local heterogeneity
- ◆ See the difference between the failure behavior of ideally homogeneous body and that of locally heterogeneous bodies
- ◆ Examine the applicability of Particle Discretization Scheme (FEM- $\beta$ ) to analysis of failure behavior of bodies with local heterogeneity

# Example Problem



Young's modulus	1.0
Poisson's ratio	0.25
Disp. B.C.	0.1 (vertical)

# Ideally Homogeneous Body

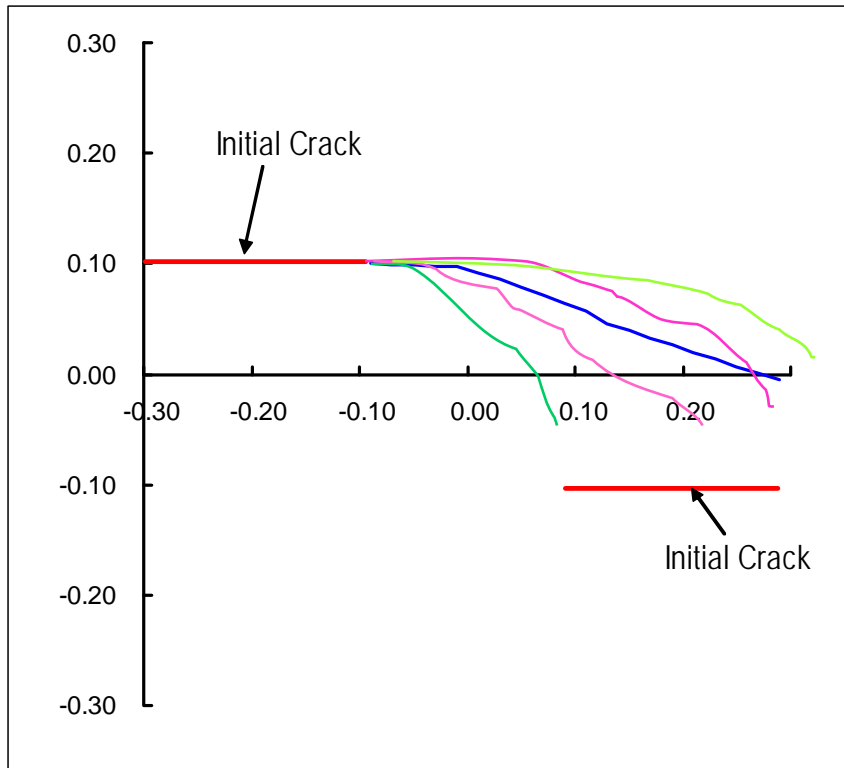


Kamaya and Totsuka, Corrosion Science, 2002

Mesh: very fine, incremental  
crack growth  
Direction: based on the energy  
release rate for virtual  
extension of the crack

The only one pair of crack path is obtained

# Body with Local Heterogeneity --- What we expect



Different crack paths  
depending on local heterogeneity?

Do they converge to  
homogeneous solution?

# Stochastic Treatment

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Brute force:

Monte-Carlo simulation using models with different distribution of material properties (stiffness, strength etc.)

but...

Meshless related methods: sophisticated discretization requires relatively high computational cost

Adaptive mesh: re-mesh at each step costs a lot

We need

a method with i) less computational cost  
ii) simple treatment of failure  
iii) no change in configuration



# Easy Treatment of Failure in FEM-b

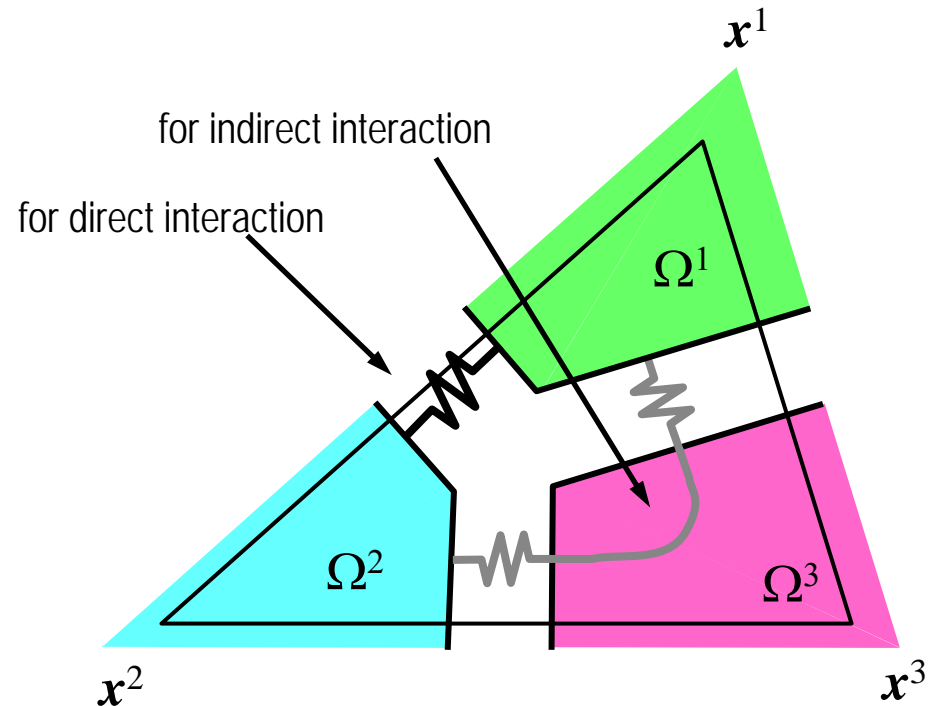
stiffness matrix of FEM- $\beta$

$$\begin{bmatrix} [k_{11}] & [k_{12}] & [k_{13}] \\ [k_{21}] & [k_{22}] & [k_{23}] \\ [k_{31}] & [k_{32}] & [k_{33}] \end{bmatrix}$$

$\downarrow$

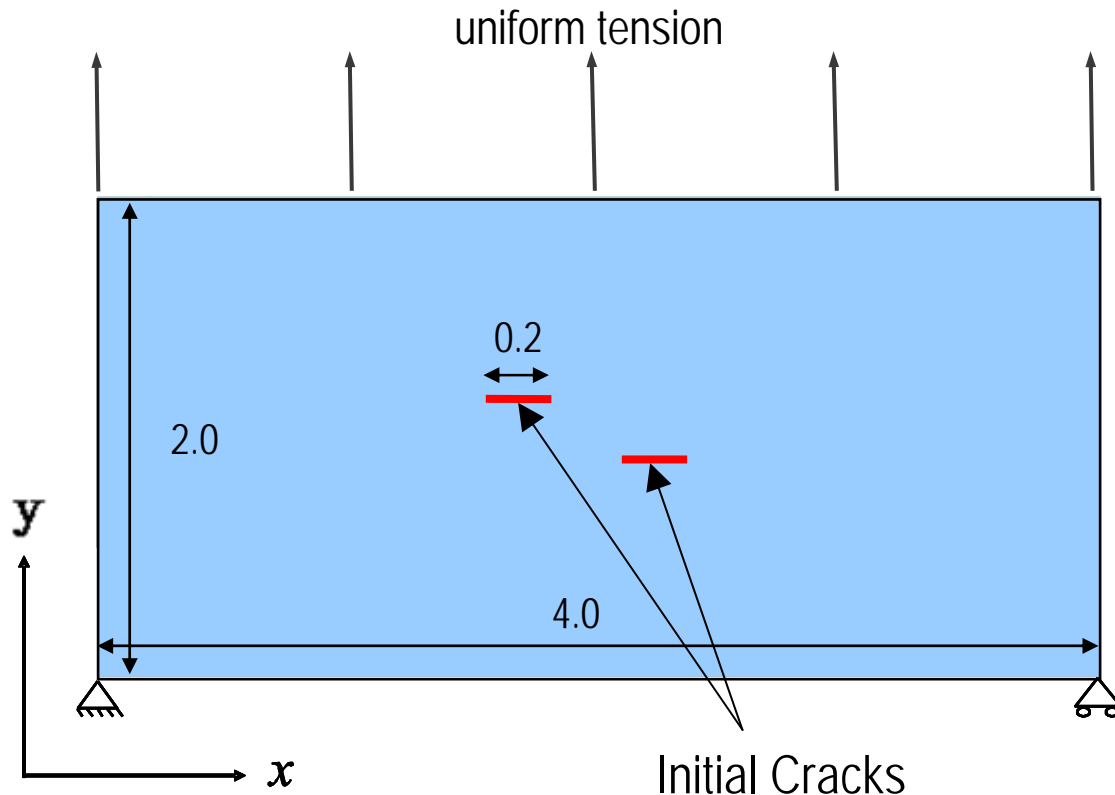
$$[k_{12}] = [k_{12}^{\text{direct}}] + [k_{12}^{\text{indirect}}]$$

Spring properties are rigorously determined with material properties;  $E$  and  $\nu$

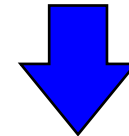


Appropriately change the components of stiffness matrix/spring constants, according to a suitable failure criterion

# Monte-Carlo Simulation of Crack Propagation in Locally Heterogeneous Body



1000 models with different  
mesh **geometry**



1000 models with different  
distribution of **material strength**

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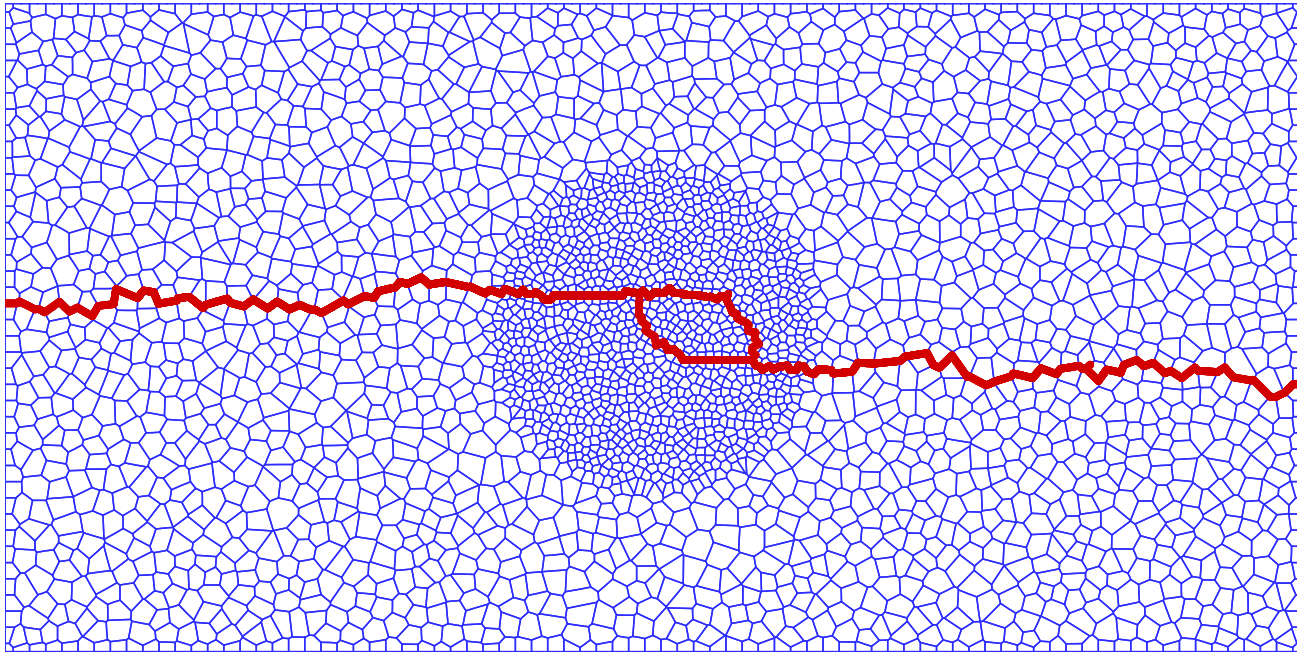
# Example of Crack Path

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Let's have a look at animations

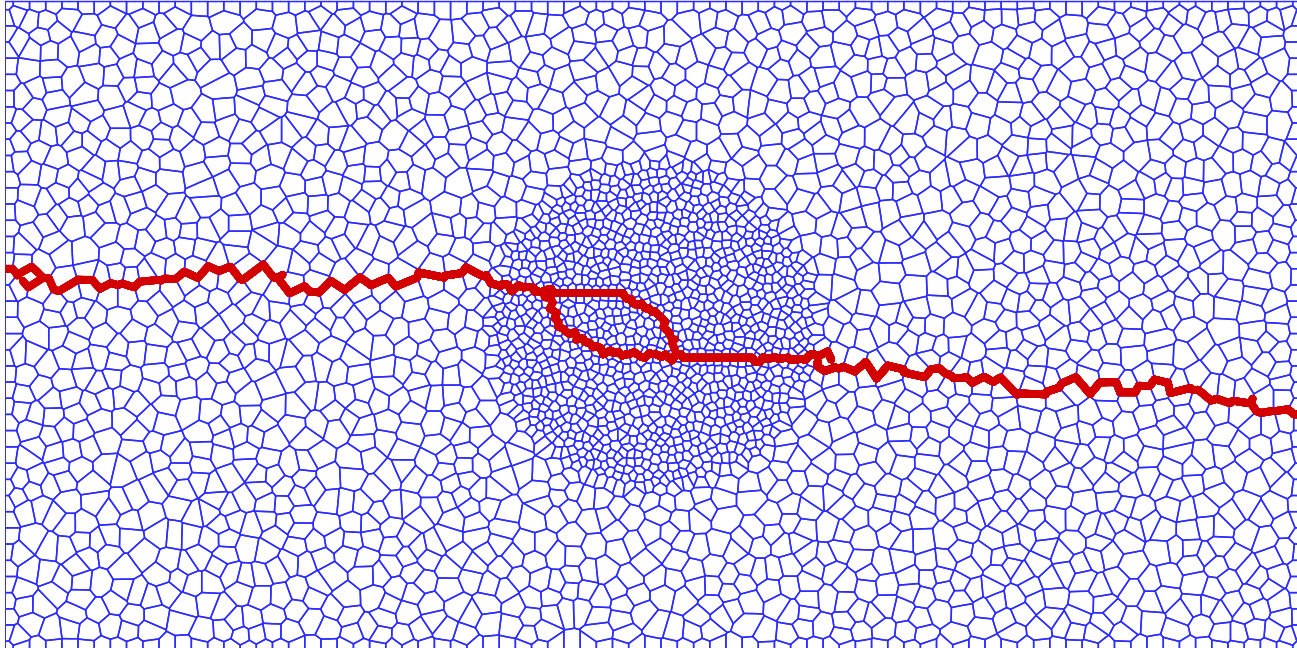
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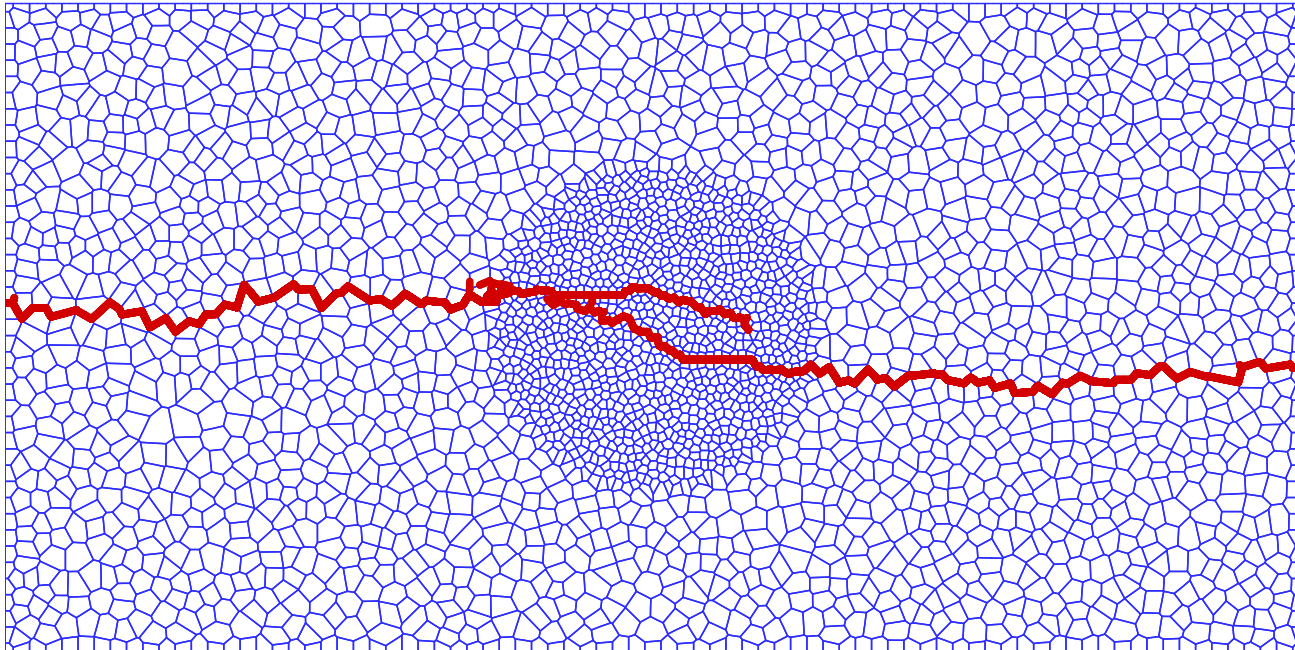
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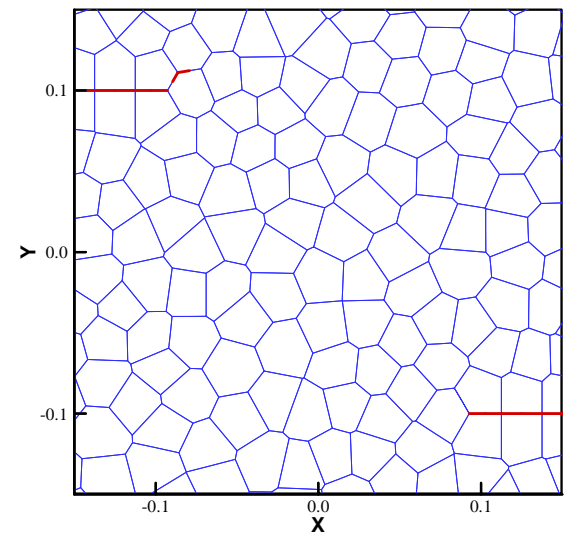
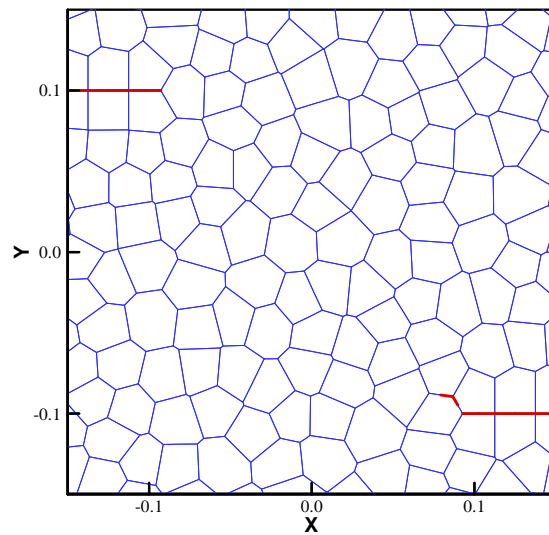
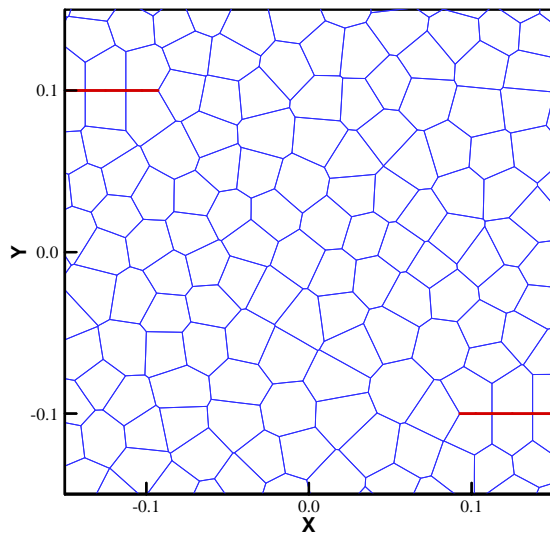
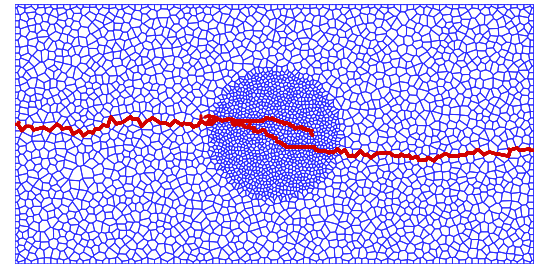
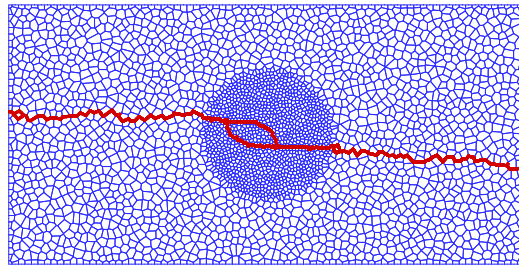
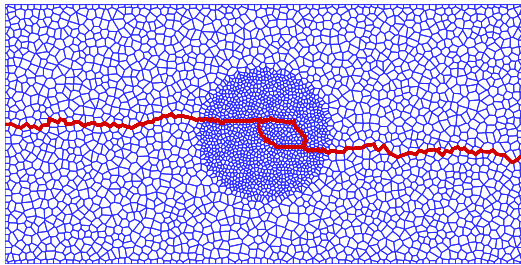


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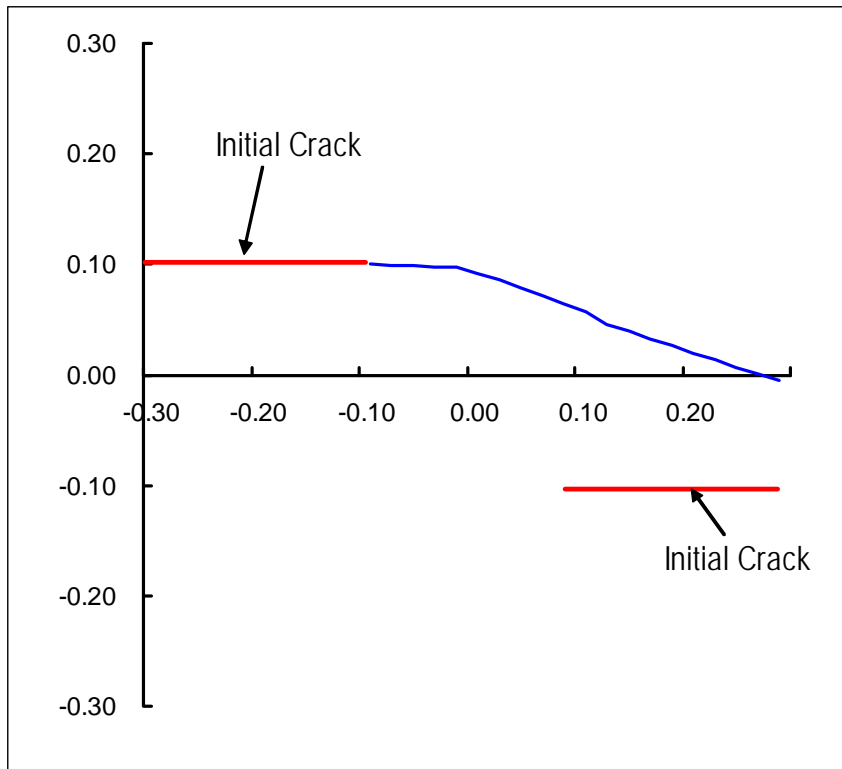


# Source of the Difference

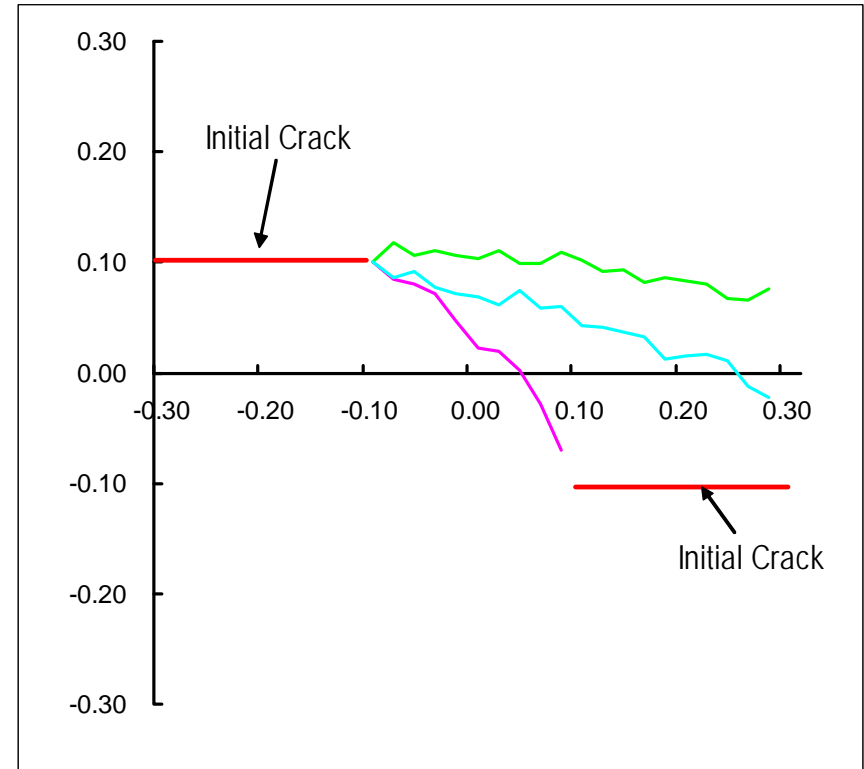


# Qualitative Comparison between Ideally Homogeneous and Locally Heterogeneous bodies

Ideally Homogeneous Body



Locally Heterogeneous Bodies



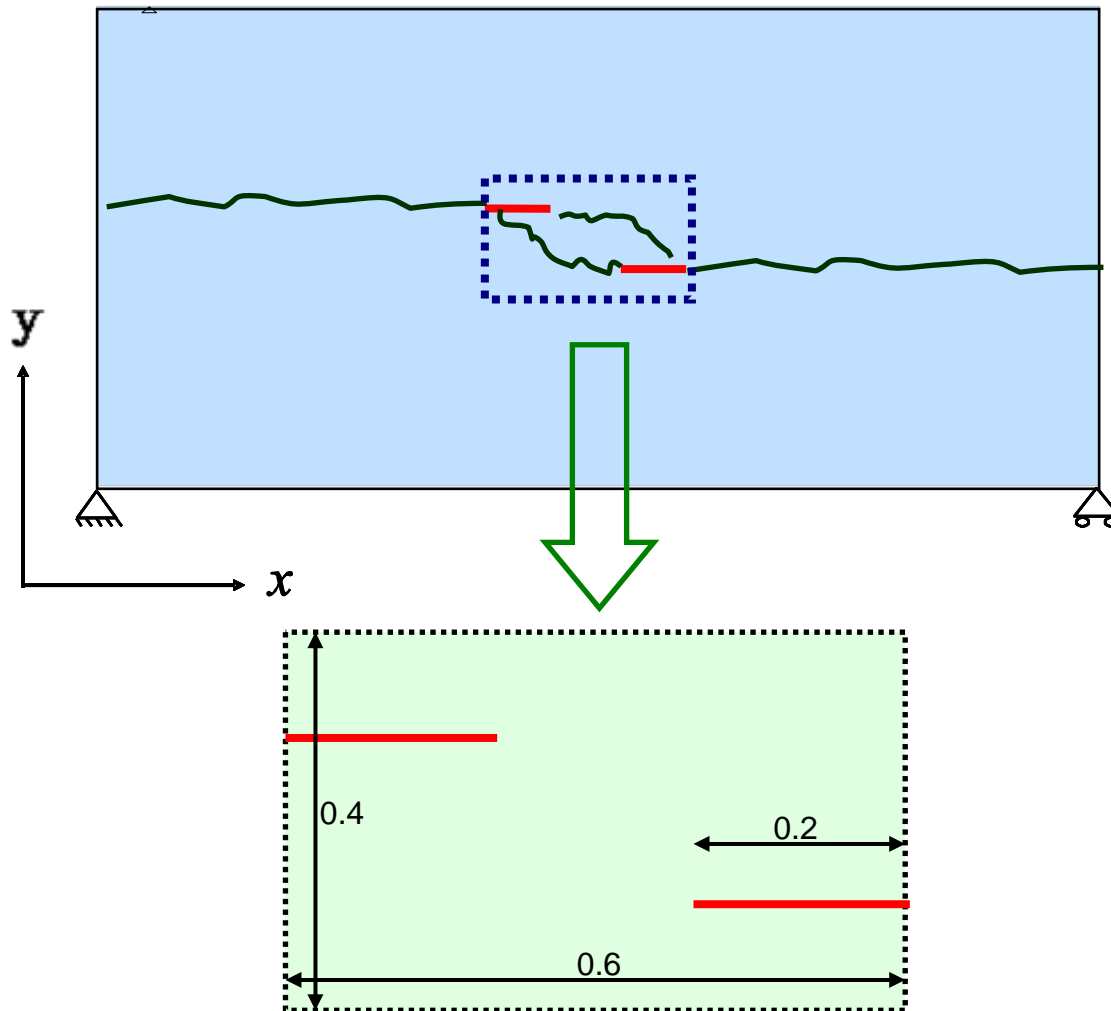
Significant variance in crack paths  
due to local heterogeneity



# Quantitative discussion

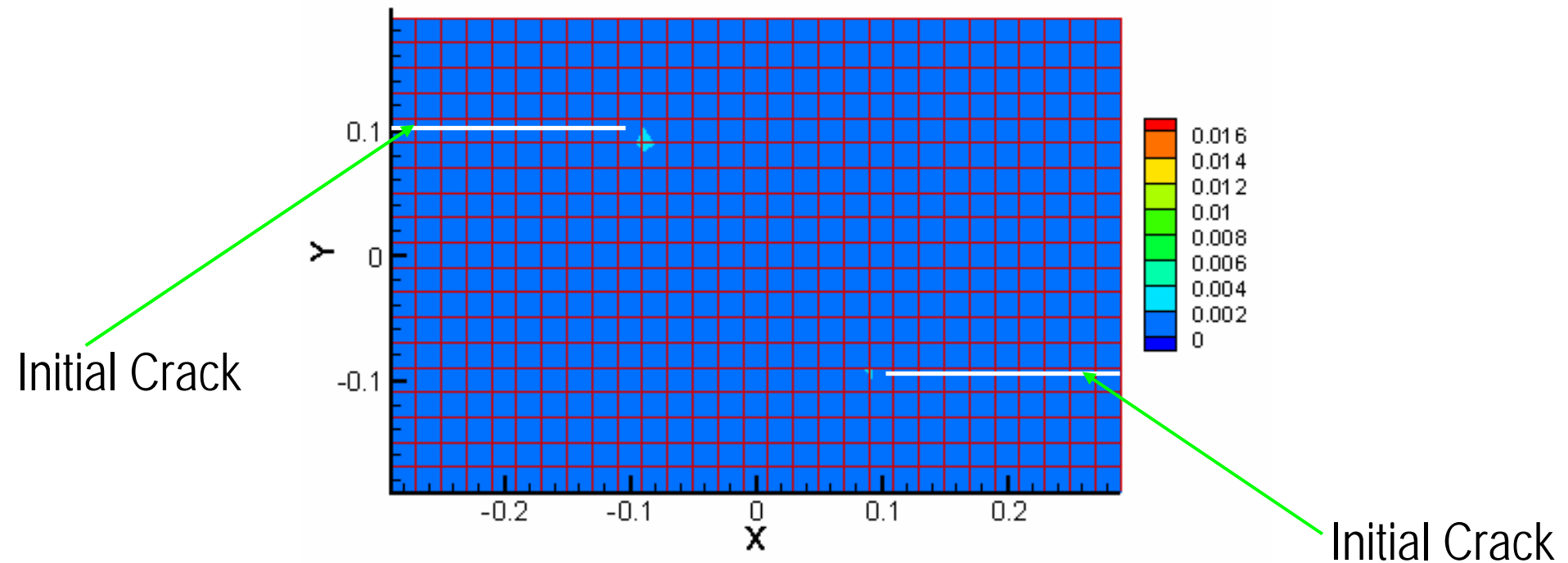
We are going to look at PDF of crack paths

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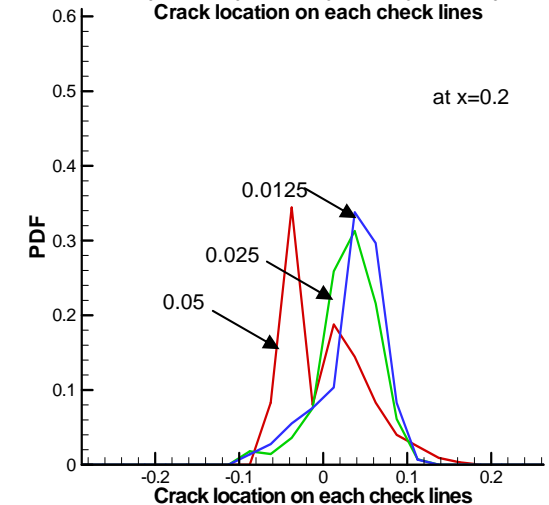
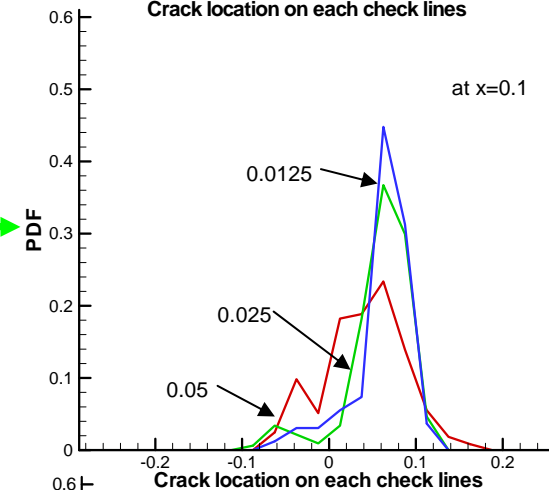
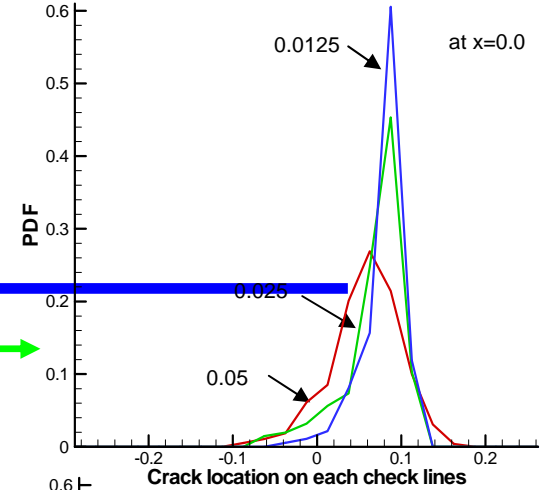
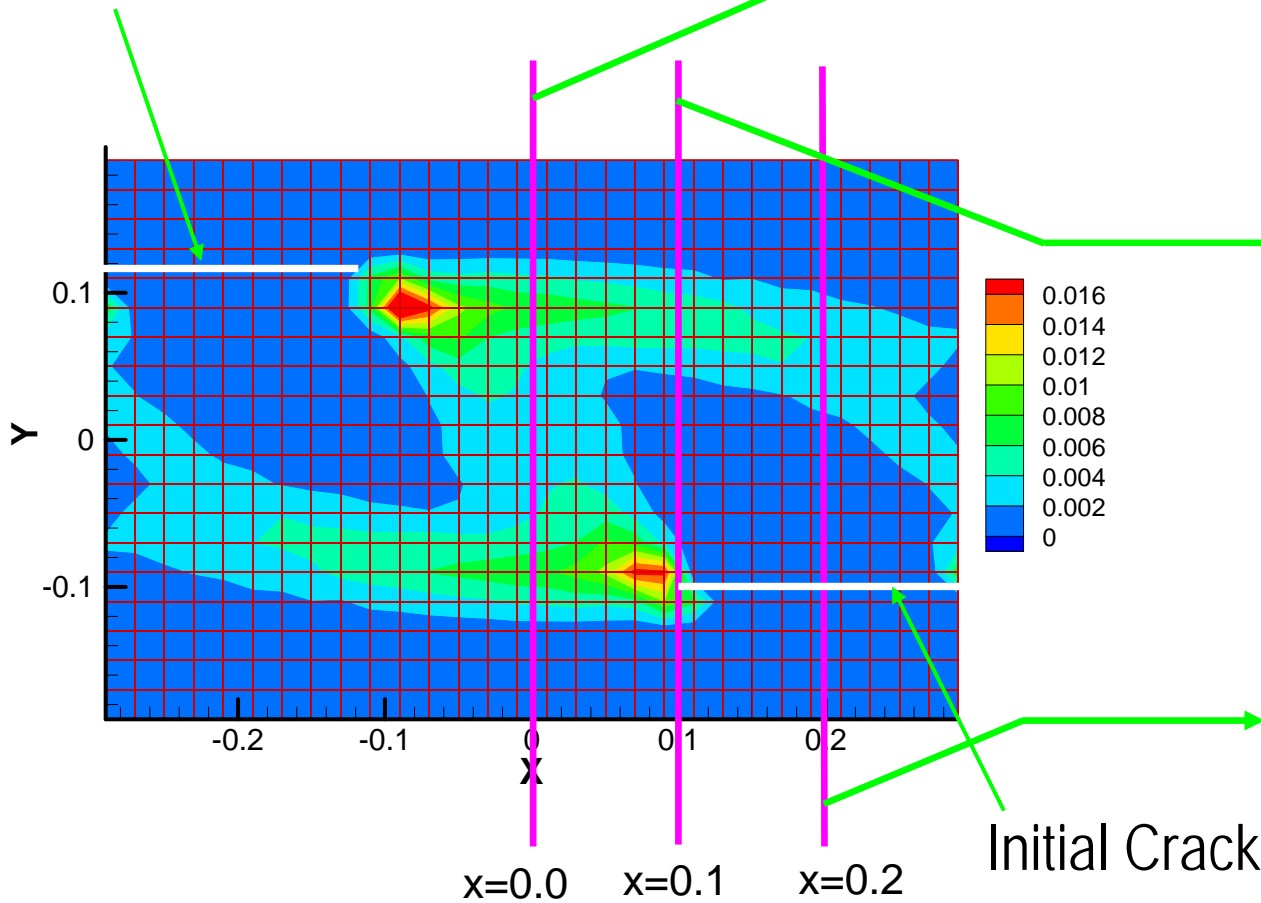
# Probability Density Function of Crack Path

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# Convergence of PDF

Initial Crack



# Summary

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- ◆ Importance of local heterogeneity in analysis of failure phenomena
- ◆ Monte-Carlo simulation of crack propagation in heterogeneous bodies with different distribution of material strength
- ◆ Easy treatment of failure is needed --- FEM- $\beta$
- ◆ Wide variety of crack paths, PDF for crack paths

# Gains and Losses of FEM-b

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## ◆ What we got...rigorous formulation + easy treatment of failure

- Simple treatment of failure like DEM (Strength of Material)
- No change in Geometry/Configuration
- Particle physics type simulation  $\Rightarrow$  suitable for parallel, massive computation
- Easy treatment of local heterogeneity

## ◆ What we sacrifice...fracture mechanics, local convergence

- Candidate for crack path is pre-determined when a mesh is made
- (Crack surface = Cavity)  $\Rightarrow$  Blunt Crack
- Solution does not converge to the exact solution for the problem of crack growth in ideally homogeneous body