

# Stress intensity factor for bonded dissimilar materials weakened by multiple cracks



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## ABSTRACT

The new hypersingular integral equations (HSIEs) for the multiple cracks problems in both upper and lower parts of the bonded dissimilar materials are formulated using the modified complex potential method, and with the help of the continuity conditions of the resultant force function and displacement. The crack opening displacement is the unknown and the traction along the crack as the right term of the equations. The appropriate quadrature formulas are used in solving the obtained HSIEs for the unknown coefficients. Numerical results for the multiple inclined or circular arc cracks subjected to the remote shear stress are presented.

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## 1. Introduction

The stability and safety of the materials are very important in engineering structures, and the existence of crack may jeopardise the materials strength. The inclined and arc-like cracks problems appear in many types of materials or engineering structures. The stress intensity factors (SIF) at the crack tips can be used to determine the stability behavior of bodies or materials containing cracks or flaws. Many researchers have dealt and analysed the inclined or arc-like cracks problems in an infinite plane [1–4], a half plane [5–9] or a bonded dissimilar materials [10–12]. For the cracks problems in an infinite plane and a half plane elasticity, the HSIEs [1,13], singular integral equations [14,15] and Fredholm integral equations [16,17] were proposed.

The interaction between two cracks in circular position in an infinite plane effected the value of nondimensional SIF at the cracks tips [4]. The nondimensional SIF for the single and multiple circular arc cracks in a half plane are influenced by the position of the cracks, the distance between the cracks, and the distance between the cracks and the boundary [8]. The Mode I and Mode II nondimensional SIF for the parallel cracks in bonded dissimilar materials mainly depend on the crack configurations, elastic constant ratio and types of stresses [18]. The nondimensional SIF at the crack tip for a single crack in the upper part of bonded dissimilar materials depends on the various remote stresses, the elastic constants ratio, the crack geometries and the distance between the crack and the boundary [19].

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The crack problems in bonded dissimilar materials were discussed in recent decades. Chen [10] presented the Fredholm integral equations method for finding the nondimensional stress intensity factors (SIF) for multiple crack problems in bonded dissimilar materials. Chen and Hasebe [11] used a logarithmic singular kernel to calculate the nondimensional SIF for a circular arc crack lies in the upper half of bonded dissimilar materials. Isida and Noguchi [12] analysed the crack problems in bonded dissimilar materials by using the body force method. They excluded the interface cracks and singularity problems for cracks terminating at the interface. Yu et al. [20] used the interaction integral methods to investigate the mixed-mode SIF for crack problems in bonded dissimilar materials. Hamzah et al. [21] investigated the nondimensional SIF for the multiple cracks in the upper part of bonded dissimilar materials by using hypersingular integral equation. Li and Viola [22] used the complex potential technique to investigate the effect of interface crack lies along the central between two bonded dissimilar materials. Ghajar et al. [23] presented the effect of Poisson's ratio on mixed-mode SIF of the interface crack in bonded dissimilar materials by using the displacement fields method. Serier et al. [24] identified the effect of interaction between an interfacial main crack and a subinterfacial microcrack in bonded dissimilar materials by using finite element method. Wang and Waisman [25] presented an extended finite element method to analyze the materials dependency for the interface cracks in bonded dissimilar materials. Itou [26] combined the solution for an inner and an outer collinear cracks to calculate the nondimensional SIF for the collinear interface cracks in bonded dissimilar materials. Paggi and Reinoso [27] investigated the competition between crack penetration and deflection at the interface of bonded dissimilar materials by using finite element method based on the monolithic fully implicit solution strategy. Lan et al. [28] used the proportional crack opening displacements to compute the nondimensional SIF for two-dimensional interface cracks, three-dimensional penny-shaped cracks and circumferential surface cracks in bonded dissimilar materials. Cordeiro and Leonel [29] developed the mechanical modelling for three dimensional cracked structural components by using the isogeometric dual boundary element method. e Andrade and Leonel [30] used the dual boundary element method to calculate the nondimensional SIF for two dimensional multiple cracks propagation in bonded dissimilar materials. Complex variable function method was used to solve the crack problems [31], to investigate the nondimensional SIF behavior [32] and to analyse the interaction of the cracks [33] in bonded dissimilar materials.

In this paper the multiple cracks problems in both upper and lower parts of bonded dissimilar materials subjected to the remote shear stress  $\sigma_{x_1} = \sigma_{x_2} = p$  are considered. The problem concerns the proposition of analytical approach for solving engineering structure problems with dissimilar materials, which are perfectly bonded and subjected to an initial crack distribution. The problem is formulated into the new HSIEs, which later to be solved and enable us to investigate the behavior of nondimensional SIF at the cracks tips.

## 2. Mathematical formulation

The complex variable function method introduced by Muskhelishvili [34] are used in solving the cracks problems. The stress components ( $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\sigma_{xy}$ ), the resultant force function ( $X$ ,  $Y$ ), and the displacements ( $u$ ,  $v$ ) are expressed in terms of two complex potential functions  $\phi(z)$  and  $\psi(z)$  as follows

$$\sigma_y - \sigma_x + 2i\sigma_{xy} = 2[\bar{z}\phi''(z) + \psi'(z)] \quad (1)$$

$$f = -Y + iX = \phi(z) + z\overline{\phi'(z)} + \overline{\psi(z)} \quad (2)$$

$$2G(u + iv) = \kappa\phi(z) - z\overline{\phi'(z)} - \overline{\psi(z)} \quad (3)$$

where  $G$  is shear modulus of elasticity,  $\kappa = 3 - 4\nu$  for plane strain,  $\kappa = (3 - \nu)/(1 + \nu)$  for plane stress and  $\nu$  is Poisson's ratio. A derivative in a specified direction of Eq. (2) with respect to  $z$ , which yields the normal ( $N$ ) and tangential ( $T$ ) components of traction along the segment  $\overline{z, z + dz}$ , is defined as follows

$$\frac{d}{dz} \{-Y + iX\} = \phi'(z) + \overline{\phi'(z)} + \frac{d\bar{z}}{dz} [z\overline{\phi''(z)} + \overline{\psi'(z)}] = N + iT. \quad (4)$$

Consider two cracks lie in the upper and lower half of the bonded dissimilar materials (Fig. 1). The condition for remote stress in bonded dissimilar materials is

$$\varepsilon_{x_1} = \varepsilon_{x_2}, \quad (5)$$

where  $\varepsilon_{x_1}$  and  $\varepsilon_{x_2}$  are the stress component for the upper and lower half of bonded dissimilar materials, respectively. Those stress can be expressed as

$$\varepsilon_{x_1} = \frac{1}{E_1} (\sigma_{x_1}^\infty - \nu_1 \sigma_{y_1}^\infty), \quad \varepsilon_{x_2} = \frac{1}{E_2} (\sigma_{x_2}^\infty - \nu_2 \sigma_{y_2}^\infty) \quad (6)$$

where  $E_1 = 2G_1(1 + \nu_1)$  and  $E_2 = 2G_2(1 + \nu_2)$  are Young's modulus of elasticity and  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  are Poisson's ratio for upper and lower half of bonded dissimilar materials, respectively. If the remote stress  $\sigma_{y_1}^\infty = \sigma_{y_2}^\infty = 0$ , then the stress component is reduced to

$$\frac{1}{E_1} \sigma_{x_1}^\infty = \frac{1}{E_2} \sigma_{x_2}^\infty. \quad (7)$$

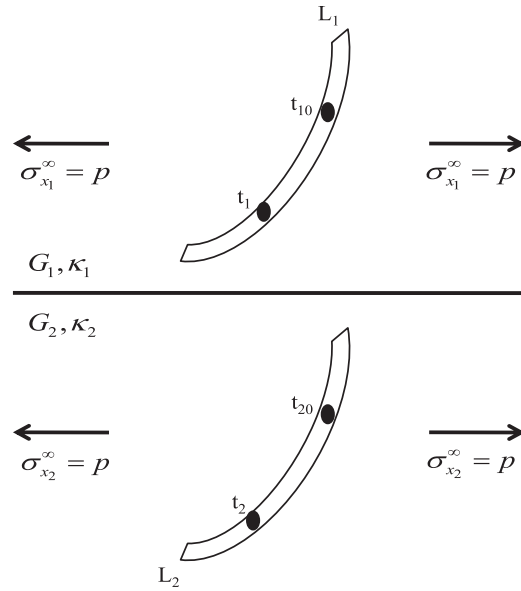


Fig. 1. Two cracks  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  in bonded dissimilar materials.

The modified complex potentials (MCP) for the cracks lie in the upper half of the material is defined as

$$\phi_1(z) = \phi_{1p}(z) + \phi_{1c}(z), \quad \psi_1(z) = \psi_{1p}(z) + \psi_{1c}(z), \tag{8}$$

where  $\phi_{1p}(z)$  and  $\psi_{1p}(z)$  are the principal parts and  $\phi_{1c}(z)$  and  $\psi_{1c}(z)$  are the complementary parts of the complex potentials. Whereas, for the cracks lie in the lower plane, the complex potentials are represented by  $\phi_2(z)$  and  $\psi_2(z)$ . The principal parts of complex potentials are referred to the complex potentials for the cracks in an infinite plane. According to Nik Long and Eshkuvatov [2], complex potentials for the crack  $L$  in an infinite plane modeled by the distribution of crack opening displacement (COD) function  $g(t)$  can be expressed by

$$\phi_{1p}(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_L \frac{g(t)dt}{t-z} \tag{9}$$

$$\psi_{1p}(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_L \frac{g(t)dt}{t-z} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_L \frac{g(t)d\bar{t}}{t-z} - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_L \frac{g(t)\bar{t}dt}{(t-z)^2} \tag{10}$$

where  $g(t)$  is defined by

$$g(t) = \frac{2G}{i(\kappa+1)} [(u(t) + iv(t))^+ - (u(t) + iv(t))^-], t \in L \tag{11}$$

$(u(t) + iv(t))^+$  and  $(u(t) + iv(t))^-$  denote the displacements at point  $t$  of the upper and lower crack faces, respectively.

The continuity conditions for resultant force (2) and displacement (3) are defined, respectively, as

$$[\phi_1(t) + t\overline{\phi_1'(t)} + \overline{\psi_1(t)}]^+ = [\phi_2(t) + t\overline{\phi_2'(t)} + \overline{\psi_2(t)}]^-, t \in L \tag{12}$$

$$G_2[\kappa_1\phi_1(t) - t\overline{\phi_1'(t)} - \overline{\psi_1(t)}]^+ = G_1[\kappa_2\phi_2(t) - t\overline{\phi_2'(t)} - \overline{\psi_2(t)}]^-, t \in L. \tag{13}$$

Applying Eq. (8) into Eqs. (12) and (13), the following expressions are obtainable:

$$\phi_{1c}(z) = \Gamma_1[z\overline{\phi_{1p}'(z)} + \overline{\psi_{1p}(z)}], z \in S_{upper} + L_b \tag{14}$$

$$\psi_{1c}(z) = \Gamma_2\overline{\phi_{1p}(z)} - \Gamma_1[z\overline{\phi_{1p}'(z)} + z^2\overline{\phi_{1p}''(z)} + z\overline{\psi_{1p}'(z)}], z \in S_{upper} + L_b \tag{15}$$

$$\phi_2(z) = (1 + \Gamma_2)\phi_{1p}(z), z \in S_{lower} + L_b \tag{16}$$

$$\psi_2(z) = (\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2)z\overline{\phi_{1p}'(z)} + (1 + \Gamma_1)\overline{\psi_{1p}(z)}, z \in S_{lower} + L_b \tag{17}$$

where  $\overline{\phi_{1p}(z)} = \overline{\phi_{1p}(\bar{z})}$ .  $L_b$  is boundary of two bonded half plane,  $S_{upper}$  and  $S_{lower}$  are upper and lower half plane of bonded dissimilar materials, respectively, and  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  are bi-elastic constants defined as

$$\Gamma_1 = \frac{G_2 - G_1}{G_1 + \kappa_1 G_2}, \quad \Gamma_2 = \frac{\kappa_1 G_2 - \kappa_2 G_1}{G_2 + \kappa_2 G_1}. \tag{18}$$

In order to formulate the HSIEs for the cracks lie in both the upper and lower half of bonded dissimilar materials, we need to defined four traction components  $\{N(t_0) + iT(t_0)\}_{jk}$  ( $j = 1, 2, k = 1, 2$ ) which consist of two groups of  $N + iT$  influences. The first two tractions  $\{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{11}$  and  $\{N(t_{20}) + iT(t_{20})\}_{21}$  are obtained when the observation point is placed at the point  $t_{10}(t_{10} \in L_1)$  and  $t_{20}(t_{20} \in L_2)$ , respectively, caused by  $g_1(t_1)$  at  $(t_1 \in L_1)$ . For  $\{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{11}$ , we need to combine the principal  $\{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{1p}$  and complementary parts  $\{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{1c}$  of the tractions. Substituting Eqs. (9) and (10) into (4) for  $\{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{1p}$  and substituting Eqs. (14) and (15) into (4), applying (9) and (10) for  $\{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{1c}$ . Then letting point  $z$  approaches  $t_{10}$  on the crack and changing  $d\bar{z}/dz$  into  $d\bar{t}_{10}/dt_{10}$ , yields

$$\begin{aligned} \{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{11} &= \{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{1p} + \{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{1c} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{L_1} \frac{g_1(t_1) dt_1}{(t_1 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_1} A_1(t_1, t_{10}) g_1(t_1) dt_1 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_1} A_2(t_1, t_{10}) \overline{g_1(\bar{t}_1)} dt_1 \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_1(t_1, t_{10}) &= -\frac{1}{(t_1 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \\ &+ \Gamma_1 \left[ \frac{1}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} + \frac{2(\bar{t}_{10} - \bar{t}_1)}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} + \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \left( \frac{2(2t_{10} - 3\bar{t}_{10} + \bar{t}_1)}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} - \frac{6(\bar{t}_{10} - \bar{t}_1)(\bar{t}_{10} - t_{10})}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^4} - \frac{1}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} \right) \right. \\ &+ \left. \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} \left( \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_1 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{1}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} \right) - \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \left( \frac{1}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} + \frac{2(\bar{t}_{10} - t_{10})}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} \right) \right] + \Gamma_2 \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \frac{1}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} \\ A_2(t_1, t_{10}) &= \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} \left( \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} + \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \right) - \frac{2(t_1 - t_{10})}{(\bar{t}_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \\ &+ \Gamma_1 \left[ \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_1 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{1}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} - \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \left( \frac{1}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} + \frac{2(\bar{t}_{10} - t_{10})}{(t_1 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} \right) + \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} \left( \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_1 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{2(t_{10} - t_1)}{(\bar{t}_1 - t_{10})^3} \right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

For  $\{N(t_{20}) + iT(t_{20})\}_{21}$ , substituting Eqs. (16) and (17) into (4) and applying (9) and (10), yields

$$\{N(t_{20}) + iT(t_{20})\}_{21} = (1 + \Gamma_2) \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{L_2} \frac{g_1(t_1) dt_1}{(t_1 - t_{20})^2} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} B_1(t_1, t_{20}) g_1(t_1) dt_1 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} B_2(t_1, t_{20}) \overline{g_1(\bar{t}_1)} dt_1 \quad (20)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} B_1(t_1, t_{20}) &= -(1 + \Gamma_2) \frac{1}{(t_1 - t_{20})^2} + (1 + \Gamma_1) \left( \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_1 - \bar{t}_{20})^2} \right) \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} \frac{d\bar{t}_{20}}{dt_{20}} \\ B_2(t_1, t_{20}) &= \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_1 - \bar{t}_{20})^2} \left( (1 + \Gamma_2) \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} + (1 + \Gamma_1) \frac{d\bar{t}_{20}}{dt_{20}} \right) \\ &+ (1 + \Gamma_2) \left( \frac{2t_{20}}{(\bar{t}_1 - \bar{t}_{20})^3} \right) \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} \frac{d\bar{t}_{20}}{dt_{20}} - (1 + \Gamma_1) \left( \frac{2t_1}{(\bar{t}_1 - \bar{t}_{20})^3} \right) \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} \frac{d\bar{t}_{20}}{dt_{20}} \\ &+ (\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2) \left( \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_1 - \bar{t}_{20})^2} + \frac{2\bar{t}_{20}}{(\bar{t}_1 - \bar{t}_{20})^3} \right) \frac{d\bar{t}_1}{dt_1} \frac{d\bar{t}_{20}}{dt_{20}}. \end{aligned}$$

Whereas, the second two tractions  $\{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{12}$  and  $\{N(t_{20}) + iT(t_{20})\}_{22}$  are obtained when the observation point is placed at the point  $t_{10}(t_{10} \in L_1)$  and  $t_{20}(t_{20} \in L_2)$ , respectively, caused by  $g_2(t_2)$  at  $(t_2 \in L_2)$ . In this process we need to introduce two bi-elastic constants define as

$$\Pi_1 = \frac{G_1 - G_2}{G_2 + \kappa_2 G_1}, \quad \Pi_2 = \frac{\kappa_2 G_1 - \kappa_1 G_2}{G_1 + \kappa_1 G_2} \quad (21)$$

which is evaluated by changing the subscript 1 to 2 and 2 to 1 in  $\Gamma_1$  and  $\Gamma_2$ . Similarly, for  $\{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{12}$ , we need to combine the principal and complementary parts of the tractions. Substituting Eqs. (9), (10), (14) and (15) into (4) yields

$$\{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{12} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{L_2} \frac{g_2(t_2) dt_2}{(t_2 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} D_1(t_2, t_{10}) g_2(t_2) dt_2 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} D_2(t_2, t_{10}) \overline{g_2(\bar{t}_2)} dt_2 \quad (22)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_1(t_2, t_{10}) &= -\frac{1}{(t_2 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} \frac{d\bar{t}_2}{dt_2} \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \\
 &+ \Pi_1 \left[ \frac{1}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} + \frac{2(\bar{t}_{10} - \bar{t}_2)}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} + \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \left( \frac{2(2t_{10} - 3\bar{t}_{10} + \bar{t}_2)}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} - \frac{6(\bar{t}_{10} - \bar{t}_2)(\bar{t}_{10} - t_{10})}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^4} - \frac{1}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} \right) \right. \\
 &\left. + \frac{d\bar{t}_2}{dt_2} \left( \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_2 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{1}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} \right) + \frac{d\bar{t}_2}{dt_2} \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \left( -\frac{1}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} - \frac{2(\bar{t}_{10} - t_{10})}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} \right) \right] + \Pi_2 \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \frac{1}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} \\
 D_2(t_2, t_{10}) &= \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} \left( \frac{d\bar{t}_2}{dt_2} + \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \right) - \frac{2(t_2 - t_{10})}{(\bar{t}_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} \frac{d\bar{t}_2}{dt_2} \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \\
 &+ \Pi_1 \left[ \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_2 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{1}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} + \frac{d\bar{t}_{10}}{dt_{10}} \left( -\frac{1}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^2} - \frac{2(\bar{t}_{10} - t_{10})}{(t_2 - \bar{t}_{10})^3} \right) \right. \\
 &\left. + \frac{d\bar{t}_2}{dt_2} \left( \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_2 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{2(t_{10} - \bar{t}_2)}{(\bar{t}_2 - t_{10})^3} \right) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $\{N(t_{20}) + iT(t_{20})\}_{22}$ , substituting Eqs. (16) and (17) into (4) and applying (9) and (10), yields

$$\{N(t_{20}) + iT(t_{20})\}_{22} = (1 + \Pi_2) \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{L_2} \frac{g_2(t_2) dt_2}{(t_2 - t_{20})^2} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} E_1(t_2, t_{20}) g_2(t_2) dt_2 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} E_2(t_2, t_{20}) \overline{g_2(t_2)} dt_2 \tag{23}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_1(t_2, t_{20}) &= -(1 + \Pi_2) \frac{1}{(t_2 - t_{20})^2} + (1 + \Pi_1) \left( \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_2 - \bar{t}_{20})^2} \right) \frac{d\bar{t}_2}{dt_2} \frac{d\bar{t}_{20}}{dt_{20}} \\
 E_2(t_2, t_{20}) &= \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_2 - \bar{t}_{20})^2} \left( (1 + \Pi_2) \frac{d\bar{t}_2}{dt_2} + (1 + \Pi_1) \frac{d\bar{t}_{20}}{dt_{20}} \right) \\
 &+ \left[ (1 + \Pi_2) \left( \frac{2t_{20}}{(\bar{t}_2 - \bar{t}_{20})^3} \right) - (1 + \Pi_1) \left( \frac{2t_2}{(\bar{t}_2 - \bar{t}_{20})^3} \right) + (\Pi_1 - \Pi_2) \left( \frac{1}{(\bar{t}_2 - \bar{t}_{20})^2} + \frac{2\bar{t}_{20}}{(\bar{t}_2 - \bar{t}_{20})^3} \right) \right] \frac{d\bar{t}_2}{dt_2} \frac{d\bar{t}_{20}}{dt_{20}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The HSIEs for the system of two cracks  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  lie in the upper and lower half of bonded dissimilar materials is obtained by using two groups of  $N + iT$  influences as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 \{\tilde{N}(t_{10}) + i\tilde{T}(t_{10})\}_1 &= \{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{11} + \{N(t_{10}) + iT(t_{10})\}_{12} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{L_1} \frac{g_1(t_1) dt_1}{(t_1 - t_{10})^2} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_1} A_1(t_1, t_{10}) g_1(t_1) dt_1 \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_1} A_2(t_1, t_{10}) \overline{g_1(t_1)} dt_1 + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{L_2} \frac{g_2(t_2) dt_2}{(t_2 - t_{10})^2} \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} D_1(t_2, t_{10}) g_2(t_2) dt_2 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} D_2(t_2, t_{10}) \overline{g_2(t_2)} dt_2 \tag{24}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \{\tilde{N}(t_{20}) + i\tilde{T}(t_{20})\}_2 &= \{N(t_{20}) + iT(t_{20})\}_{22} + \{N(t_{20}) + iT(t_{20})\}_{21} \\
 &= (1 + \Pi_2) \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{L_2} \frac{g_2(t_2) dt_2}{(t_2 - t_{20})^2} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} E_1(t_2, t_{20}) g_2(t_2) dt_2 \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} E_2(t_2, t_{20}) \overline{g_2(t_2)} dt_2 + (1 + \Gamma_2) \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{L_2} \frac{g_1(t_1) dt_1}{(t_1 - t_{20})^2} \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} B_1(t_1, t_{20}) g_1(t_1) dt_1 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{L_2} B_2(t_1, t_{20}) \overline{g_1(t_1)} dt_1. \tag{25}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that if  $G_1 = G_2$  HSIEs (24) and (25) reduce to the HSIEs for the cracks in an infinite plane [1].

In order to solve the HSIEs (24) and (25), the function  $g_j(t_j)$  is mapped on a real axis  $s$  with an interval  $2a$  as follows

$$g_j(t_j)|_{t_j=t_j(s)} = \sqrt{a_j^2 - s_j^2} H_j(s_j), j = 1, 2 \tag{26}$$

where  $H_j(s_j) = H_{j1}(s_j) + iH_{j2}(s_j)$ , with the following quadrature formulas

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-a}^a \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - s^2} H(s) ds}{(s - s_0)^2} \simeq \sum_{j=1}^{M+1} W_j(s_0) H(s_j), \quad (|s_0| < a) \tag{27}$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-a}^a \sqrt{a^2 - s^2} H(s) ds \simeq \frac{1}{M+2} \sum_{j=1}^{M+1} (a^2 - s_j^2) H(s_j), \tag{28}$$

where  $M \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$$s_j = a \cos\left(\frac{j\pi}{M+2}\right), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, M+1$$

and

$$W_j(s_0) = -\frac{2}{M+2} \sum_{n=0}^M (n+1) \sin\left(\frac{j\pi}{M+2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{(n+1)j\pi}{M+2}\right) U_n\left(\frac{s_{j0}}{a}\right)$$

and the observation points

$$s_0 = s_{j0,k} = a \cos\left(\frac{k\pi}{M+2}\right), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, M+1.$$

Here  $U_n(t)$  is a Chebyshev polynomial of the second kind, defined by

$$U_n(t) = \frac{\sin((n+1)\theta)}{\sin\theta}, \quad \text{where } t = \cos\theta. \tag{29}$$

### 3. Numerical results and discussions

Stress intensity factor (SIF) at the crack tips  $A_j$  and  $B_j$  are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} (K_1 - iK_2)_{A_j} &= \sqrt{2\pi} \lim_{t \rightarrow t_{A_j}} \sqrt{|t - t_{A_j}|} g'_1(t_1), \quad j = 1, 2 \\ &= \sqrt{2\pi} \lim_{s \rightarrow s_{A_j}} \sqrt{|s - s_{A_j}|} \left[ \frac{-s_1 H_1(s_1)}{\sqrt{a_1^2 - s_1^2}} e^{-i\theta_{A_j}} \right] \\ &= \sqrt{a_1 \pi} F_{A_j} \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (K_1 - iK_2)_{B_j} &= \sqrt{2\pi} \lim_{t \rightarrow t_{B_j}} \sqrt{|t - t_{B_j}|} g'_2(t_2), \quad j = 1, 2 \\ &= \sqrt{2\pi} \lim_{s \rightarrow s_{B_j}} \sqrt{|s - s_{B_j}|} \left[ \frac{-s_2 H_2(s_2)}{\sqrt{a_2^2 - s_2^2}} e^{-i\theta_{B_j}} \right] \\ &= \sqrt{a_2 \pi} F_{B_j} \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

where the nondimensional SIF at cracks tips  $F_{A_j}$  and  $F_{B_j}$  defined as

$$\begin{aligned} F_{A_1} &= H_1(-a_1) e^{-i\theta_{A_1}}, \quad F_{A_2} = H_1(a_1) e^{-i\theta_{A_2}}, \\ F_{B_1} &= H_2(-a_2) e^{-i\theta_{B_1}}, \quad F_{B_2} = H_2(a_2) e^{-i\theta_{B_2}}. \end{aligned}$$

#### 3.1. Two inclined cracks

Consider two parallel inclined cracks (Fig. 2(a)) and two inclined cracks in series (Fig. 2(b)) subjected to remote shear stress  $\sigma_{x_1} = \sigma_{x_2} = p$  and  $\nu_1 = \nu_2 = 0.3$ .

Table 1 displays the nondimensional SIF at the crack tips when  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 90^\circ$  with different values of elastic constant ratio  $G_2/G_1$  where  $R$  and  $h$  are defined as in Fig. 2(a). Our results are in good agreement with those of Chen [10] for Mode I nondimensional SIF,  $F_1$ , whereas Mode II nondimensional SIF,  $F_2$ , equal to zero at all crack tips. Fig. 3 shows the nondimensional SIF at all crack tips when  $R/h = 0.9$  and  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$  varies (Fig. 2(a)). It is found that as  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$  increases  $F_1$  increases at

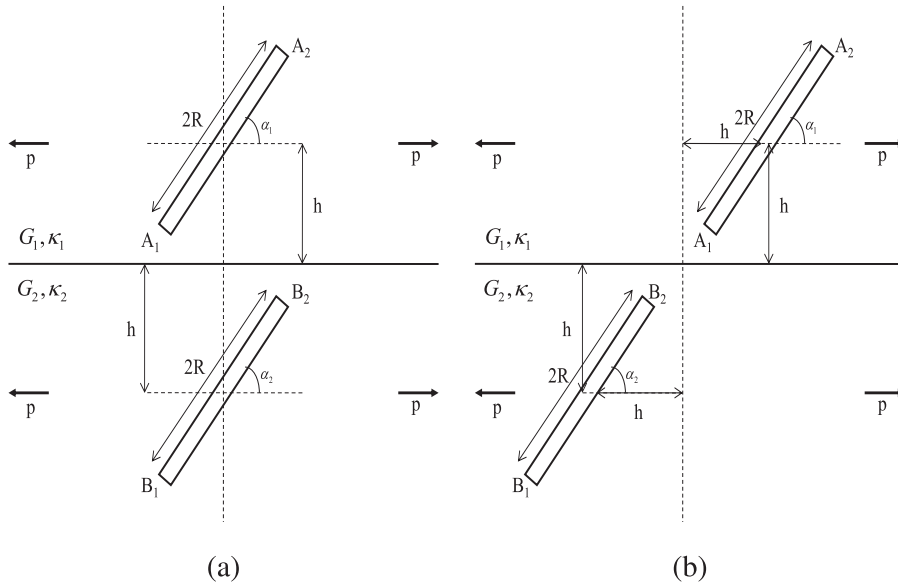


Fig. 2. Two inclined cracks in bonded dissimilar materials subjected to shear stress  $\sigma_{x_1} = \sigma_{x_2} = p$ .

Table 1  
Nondimensional SIF for the two parallel inclined cracks when  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 90^\circ$  (Fig. 2(a)).

$G_2/G_1$	SIF	$R/h$									
		0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	
1.0	$F_{1A_1}^a$	1.0013	1.0055	1.0138	1.0272	1.0480	1.0804	1.1333	1.2289	1.4539	
	$F_{1A_1}^b$	1.0010	1.0060	1.0140	1.0270	1.0480	1.0800	1.1330	1.2290	1.4540	
	$F_{1A_2}^a$	1.0011	1.0045	1.0101	1.0178	1.0279	1.0409	1.0578	1.0810	1.1173	
	$F_{1A_2}^b$	1.0010	1.0050	1.0100	1.0180	1.0280	1.0410	1.0580	1.0810	1.1170	
	$F_{1B_1}^a$	1.0011	1.0045	1.0101	1.0178	1.0279	1.0409	1.0578	1.0810	1.1173	
	$F_{1B_1}^b$	1.0010	1.0050	1.0100	1.0180	1.0280	1.0410	1.0580	1.0810	1.1170	
	$F_{1B_2}^a$	1.0013	1.0055	1.0138	1.0272	1.0480	1.0804	1.1333	1.2289	1.4539	
	$F_{1B_2}^b$	1.0010	1.0060	1.0140	1.0270	1.0480	1.0800	1.1330	1.2290	1.4540	
	2.0	$F_{1A_1}^a$	1.0010	1.0046	1.0115	1.0233	1.0421	1.0728	1.1254	1.2256	1.4768
		$F_{1A_1}^b$	1.0010	1.0050	1.0110	1.0220	1.0390	1.0660	1.1110	1.1960	1.4040
$F_{1A_2}^a$		1.0009	1.0036	1.0083	1.0147	1.0234	1.0350	1.0509	1.0740	1.1128	
$F_{1A_2}^b$		1.0010	1.0040	1.0090	1.0150	1.0250	1.0370	1.0540	1.0780	1.1180	
$F_{1B_1}^a$		1.0015	1.0061	1.0135	1.0236	1.0367	1.0534	1.0752	1.1051	1.1528	
$F_{1B_1}^b$		1.0010	1.0060	1.0120	1.0220	1.0330	1.0480	1.0670	1.0920	1.1290	
$F_{1B_2}^a$		1.0017	1.0076	1.0190	1.0376	1.0668	1.1128	1.1885	1.3275	1.6625	
$F_{1B_2}^b$		1.0020	1.0070	1.0170	1.0340	1.0590	1.0980	1.1590	1.2670	1.5120	
5.0		$F_{1A_1}^a$	1.0008	1.0035	1.0092	1.0191	1.0359	1.0647	1.1167	1.2216	1.5027
		$F_{1A_1}^b$	1.0010	1.0040	1.0090	1.0170	1.0300	1.0520	1.0900	1.1650	1.3580
	$F_{1A_2}^a$	1.0007	1.0027	1.0063	1.0115	1.0187	1.0288	1.0436	1.0662	1.1074	
	$F_{1A_2}^b$	1.0010	1.0030	1.0080	1.0140	1.0230	1.0370	1.0560	1.0840	1.1330	
	$F_{1B_1}^a$	1.0020	1.0078	1.0173	1.0300	1.0464	1.0672	1.0942	1.1313	1.1916	
	$F_{1B_1}^b$	1.0010	1.0070	1.0160	1.0270	1.0420	1.0600	1.0820	1.1120	1.1550	
	$F_{1B_2}^a$	1.0023	1.0101	1.0252	1.0502	1.0896	1.1523	1.2565	1.4503	1.9296	
	$F_{1B_2}^b$	1.0020	1.0090	1.0210	1.0420	1.0730	1.1190	1.1920	1.3160	1.5890	

<sup>a</sup> Current study

<sup>b</sup> [10]

all crack tips and  $F_2$  decreases for  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 < 50^\circ$ . The increment of  $G_2/G_1$  will decrease  $F_1$  at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  however at crack tips  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ ,  $F_1$  increases, whereas  $F_2$  increases at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $B_1$ , decreases at  $B_2$  and at  $A_2$  does not show any significant differences.

Fig. 4 shows the nondimensional SIF for two inclined cracks in series when  $R/h = 0.9$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 45^\circ$  and  $\alpha_1$  varies (Fig. 2(b)). As  $\alpha_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases at all cracks tips and  $F_2$  decreases at crack tips  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ , whereas at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $A_2$   $F_2$  decreases for  $\alpha_1 < 50^\circ$ . It is also observed that as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases at the crack tips  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  and increases at  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ , whereas  $F_2$  decreases at crack tip  $A_1$  and decreases at  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ , and does not show any significant differences at crack tip  $A_2$ .

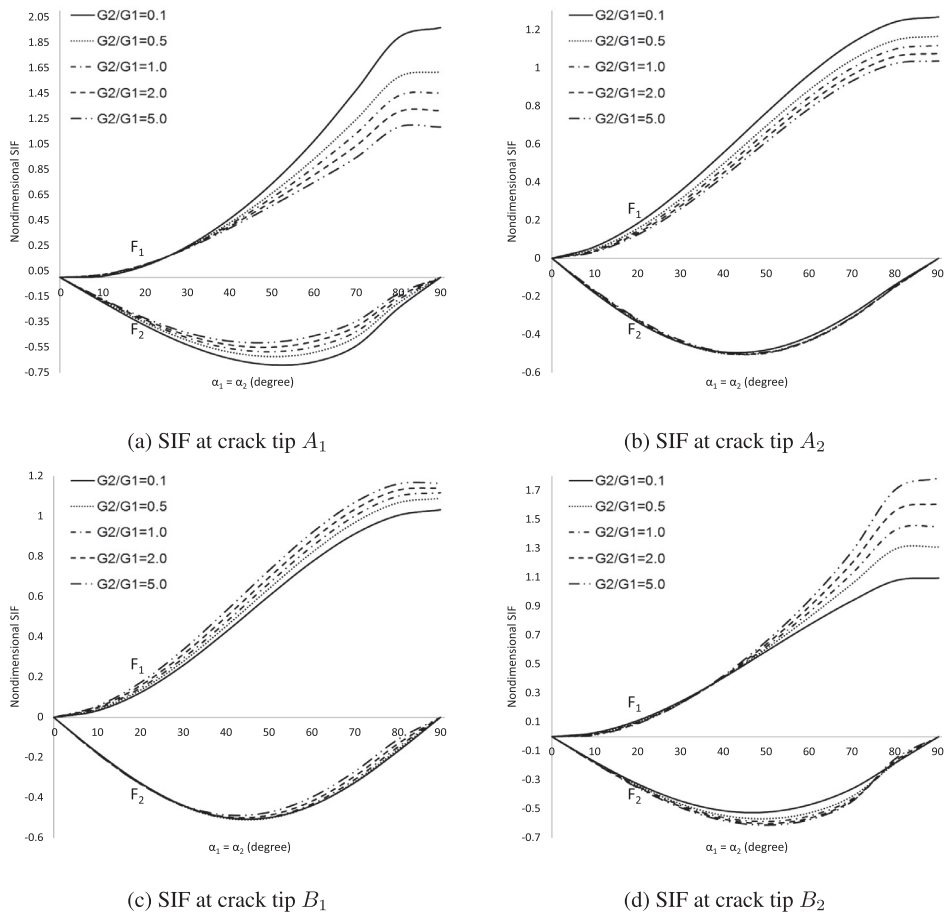


Fig. 3. Nondimensional SIF vs  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$  with different values of  $G_2/G_1$  for  $R/h = 0.9$  (Fig. 2(a)).

3.2. Two semi circular arc cracks

Consider two semi circular arc cracks in bonded dissimilar materials as in Fig. 5. In Fig. 5(a), both cracks facing the same direction with radius  $R$ , whereas Fig. 5(b), two cracks facing the opposite direction with radius  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ .

Fig. 6 (a) and (b) show the nondimensional SIF at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  respectively when  $\alpha = 90^\circ$  and  $h$  varies for the problem defined in Fig. 5(a). It is observed that  $F_1$  at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  are equals to  $F_1$  at tips  $A_2$  and  $B_2$ , respectively, whereas  $F_2$  at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  are equals to the negative of  $F_2$  at tips  $A_2$  and  $B_2$ , respectively. At the crack tip  $A_1$ , as  $h$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases for  $G_2/G_1 < 1.0$  and decreases for  $G_2/G_1 \geq 1.0$ , and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases. Whereas at the crack tip  $B_1$ , as  $h$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  decreases. For  $h = 0.5R$  and  $\alpha$  varies the nondimensional SIF at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  are presented in Fig. 7. It clearly shows that  $F_1$  increases as  $\alpha$  increases and  $F_2$  decreases for  $\alpha > 50^\circ$  at all crack tips. As  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  decreases for  $\alpha < 70^\circ$  at crack tip  $A_1$ , whereas at crack tip  $B_1$ ,  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  decreases.

Fig. 8 plots the nondimensional SIF versus  $h_1$  when  $R_1 = R_2$  for the problem defined in Fig. 5(b). It is found that  $F_1$  at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  are equals to  $F_1$  at tips  $A_2$  and  $B_2$ , respectively, whereas  $F_2$  at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  are equals to the negative of  $F_2$  at tips  $A_2$  and  $B_2$ , respectively. As  $h_1$  and  $G_2/G_1$  increase  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences at crack tip  $A_1$ . Whereas at crack tip  $B_1$  as  $h_1$  and  $G_2/G_1$  increase  $F_1$  decreases and increases, respectively, and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences. Fig. 9 shows the nondimensional SIF versus  $R_2/R_1$  when  $R_1/h_2 = 0.9$  and  $h_2 = 1.0$  for the problem defined in Fig. 5(b). It is observed that at crack tip  $A_1$ , as  $R_2/R_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  increases for  $R_2/R_1 > 0.9$ , and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences. Whereas at crack tip  $B_1$ , as  $R_2/R_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  increases for  $R_2/R_1 < 0.9$ , and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  increase.



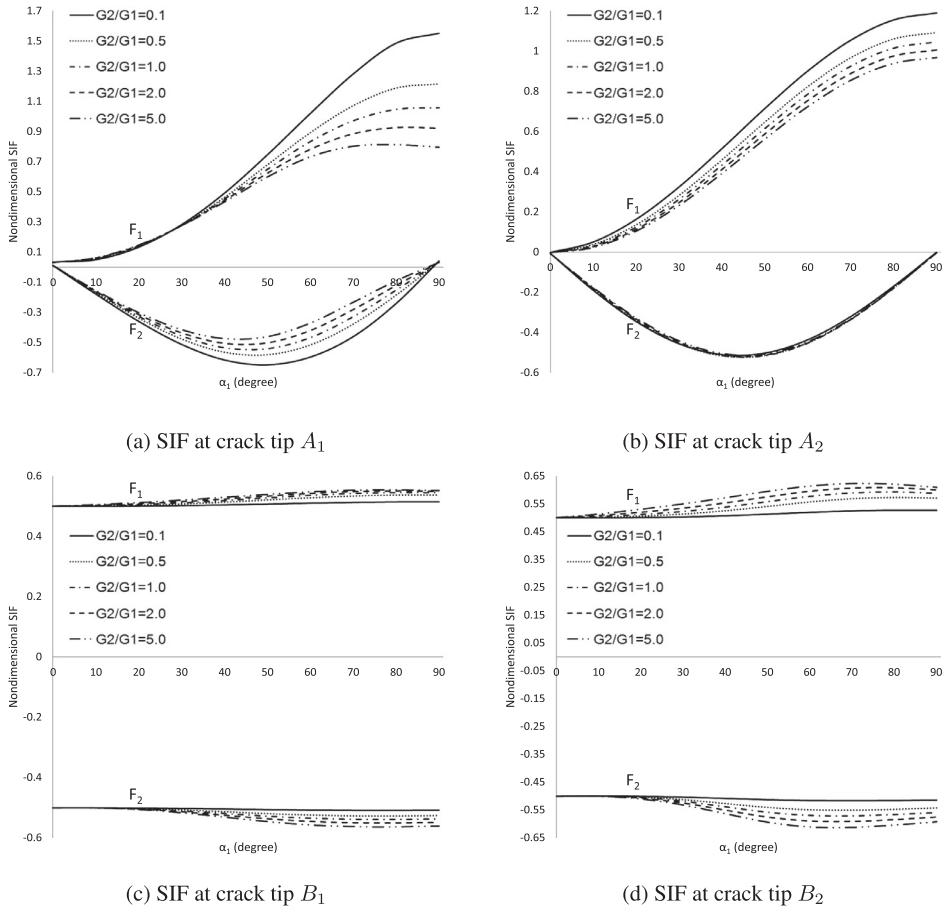


Fig. 4. Nondimensional SIF for two inclined cracks when  $\alpha_2 = 45^\circ$  and  $\alpha_1$  varies (Fig. 2(b)).

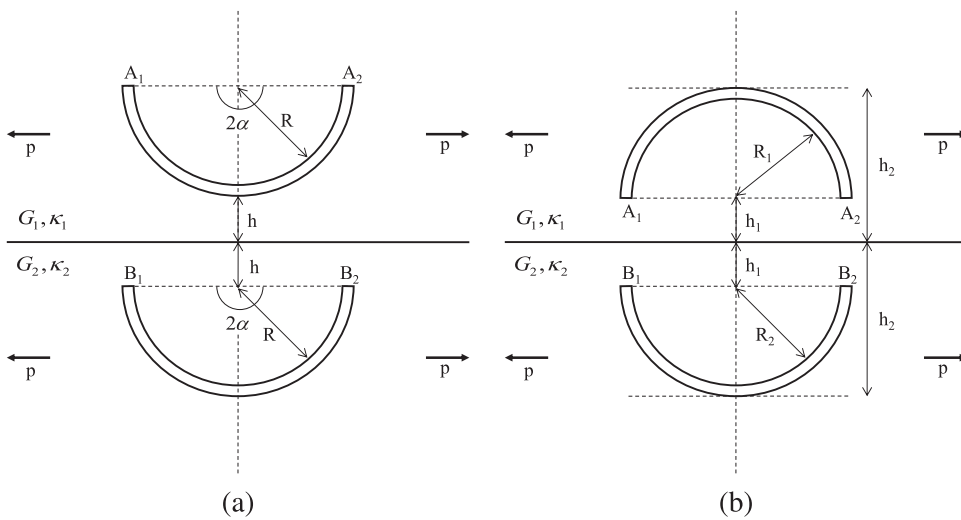


Fig. 5. Two semi circular arc cracks problems in the bonded dissimilar materials.

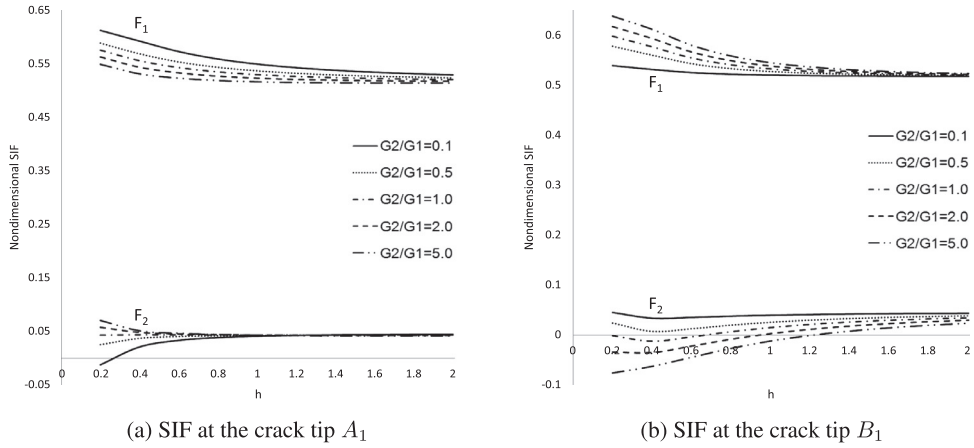


Fig. 6. Nondimensional SIF for two semi circular arc cracks with the same radius  $R$  and facing the same direction (Fig. 5(a)).

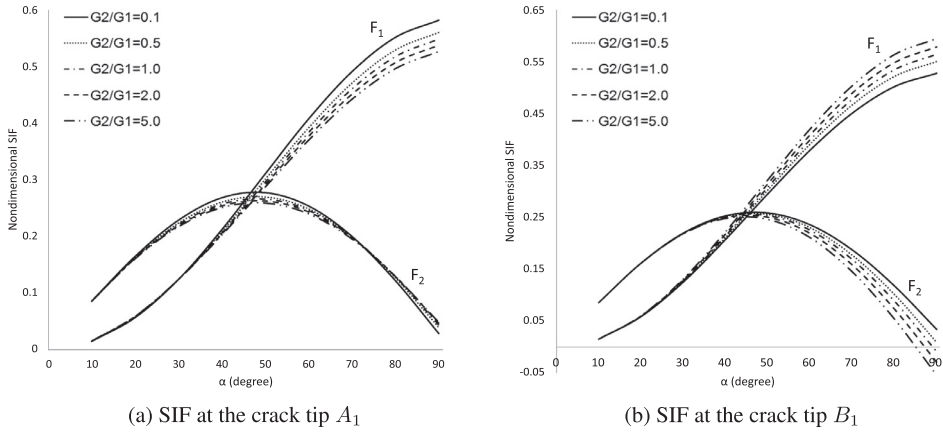


Fig. 7. Nondimensional SIF for two circular arc cracks when  $h = 0.5R$  and  $\alpha$  varies (Fig. 5(a)).

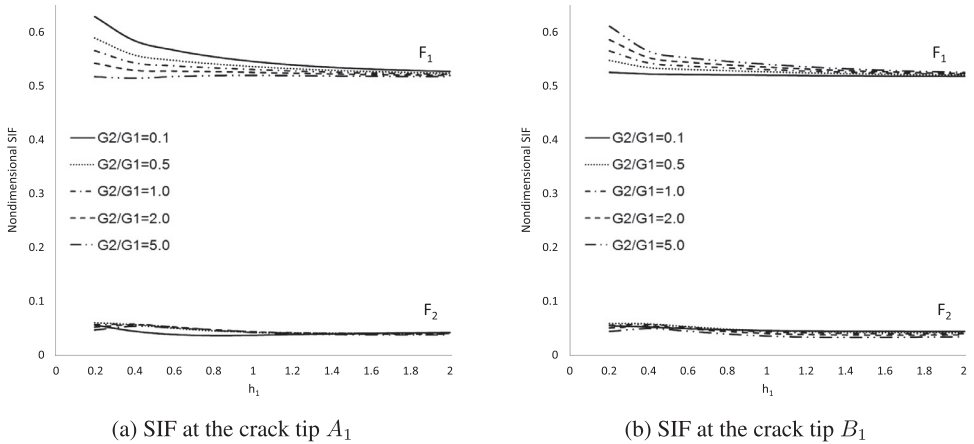


Fig. 8. Nondimensional SIF for two semi circular arc cracks facing in an opposite direction when  $R_1 = R_2$  and  $h_1$  varies (Fig. 5(b)).

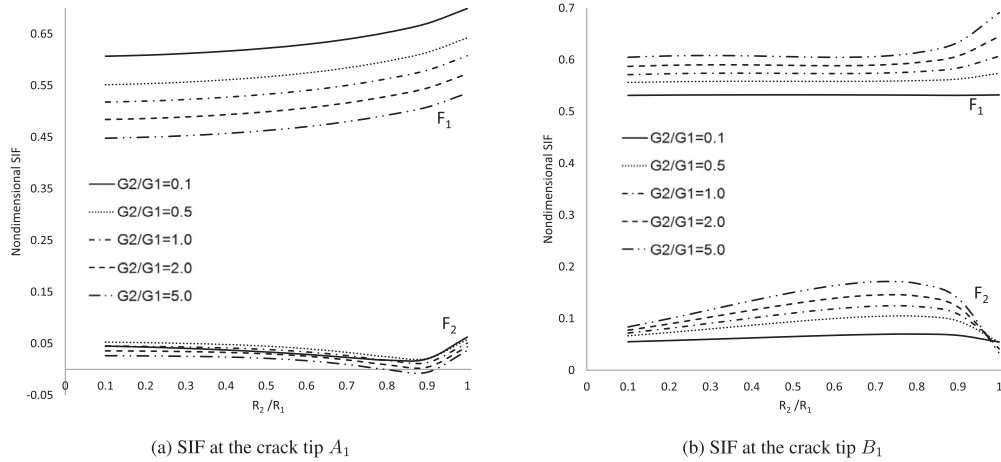


Fig. 9. Nondimensional SIF versus  $R_2/R_1$  for two semi circular arc cracks facing in an opposite direction when  $R_1/h_2 = 0.9$  and  $h_2 = 1.0$  (Fig. 5(b)).

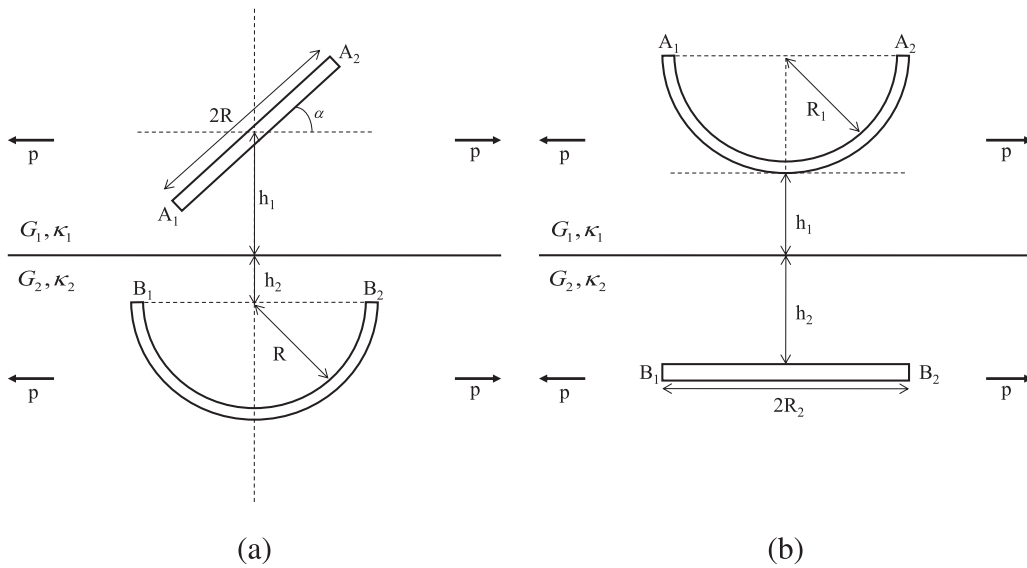


Fig. 10. An inclined crack and a semi circular arc crack in bonded dissimilar materials.

### 3.3. An inclined and a semi circular arc cracks

Consider an inclined crack in the upper part and a semi circular arc crack facing upward in the lower part of bonded dissimilar materials (Fig. 10(a)), and a semi circular arc crack facing upward in the upper part and a horizontal crack in the lower part (Fig. 10(b)).

Table 2 shows the nondimensional SIF for the problem in Fig. 10(a) when  $R = h_2 = 1.0$ ,  $\alpha = 90^\circ$  and  $R/h_1$  varies. It is found that  $F_1$  at crack tip  $B_1$  is equal to  $F_1$  at tip  $B_2$ , whereas  $F_2$  at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  is zero and  $F_2$  at crack tip  $B_1$  is equal to the negative of  $F_2$  at tip  $B_2$ . Fig. 11 presents the nondimensional SIF as  $\alpha$  varies when  $R = h_2 = 1.0$  and  $R/h_1 = 0.9$ . It is found that at crack tip  $A_1$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  decreases for  $\alpha < 50^\circ$ , and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases. At crack tip  $A_2$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  decreases for  $\alpha < 45^\circ$ , and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences. At crack tip  $B_1$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  decreases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases for  $\alpha > 50^\circ$  and  $F_2$  decreases. Whereas at crack tip  $B_2$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  increase, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  increases for  $\alpha > 50^\circ$ .

Fig. 12 shows the nondimensional SIF when  $h_1 = h_2 = 0.5R_2$ ,  $R_2 = 1.0$  and  $R_1/R_2$  varies for the problem defined in Fig. 10(b). It is observed that  $F_1$  at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  are equals to  $F_1$  at tips  $A_2$  and  $B_2$ , respectively, whereas  $F_2$  at crack tips  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  are equals to the negative of  $F_2$  at tips  $A_2$  and  $B_2$ , respectively. At crack tip  $A_1$ , as  $R_1/R_2$  increases  $F_1$

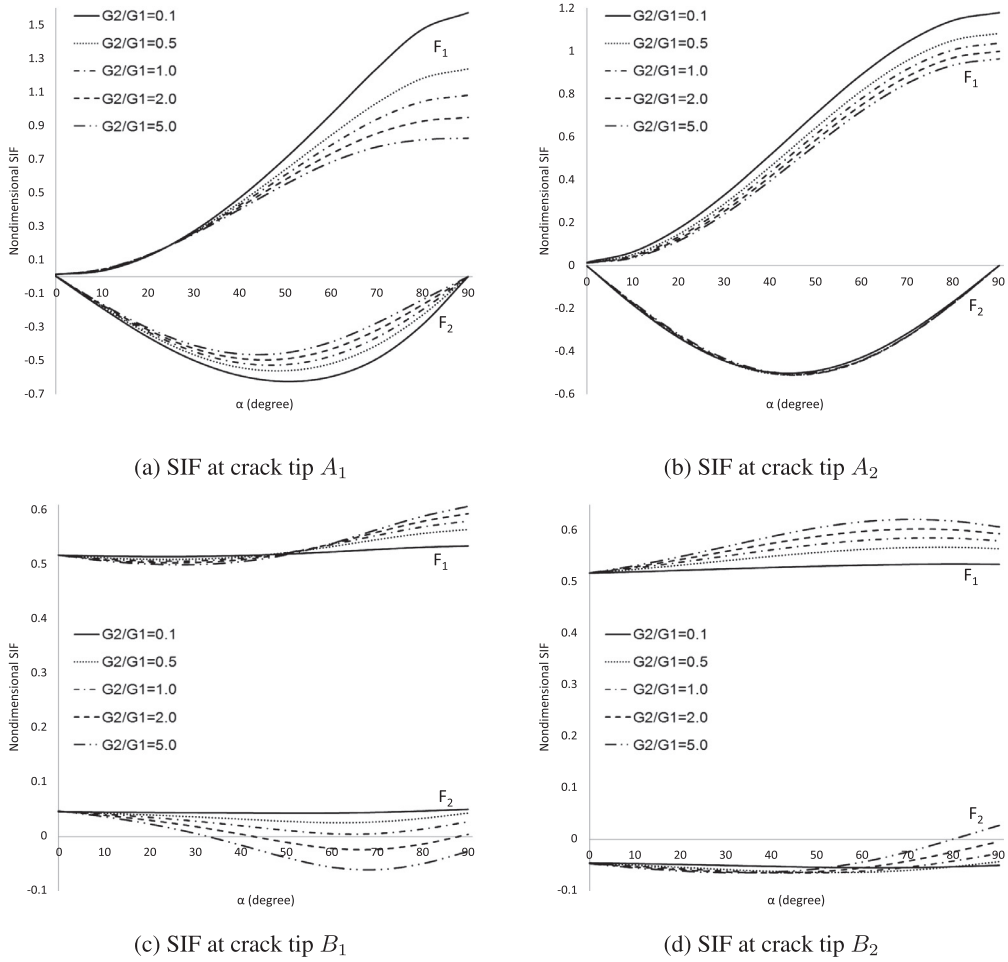


Fig. 11. Nondimensional SIF for an inclined crack and a semi circular arc crack facing upward direction, when  $\alpha$  varies (Fig. 10(a)).

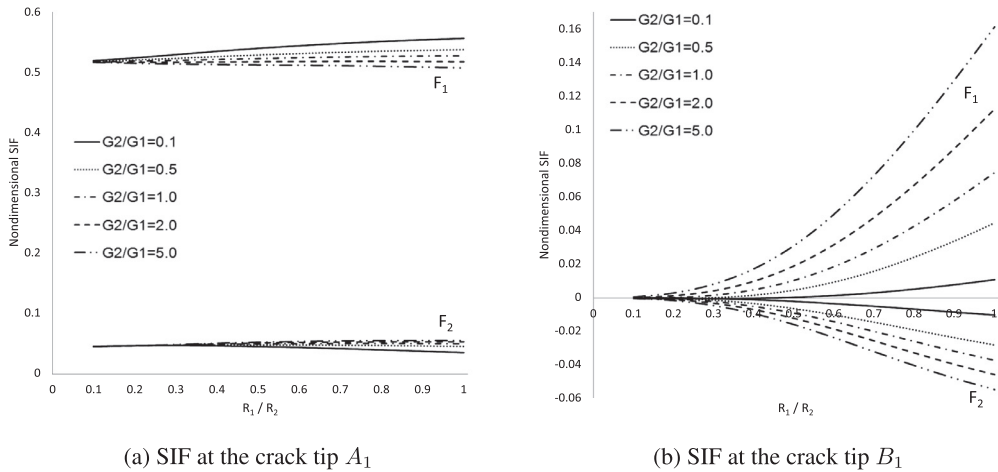
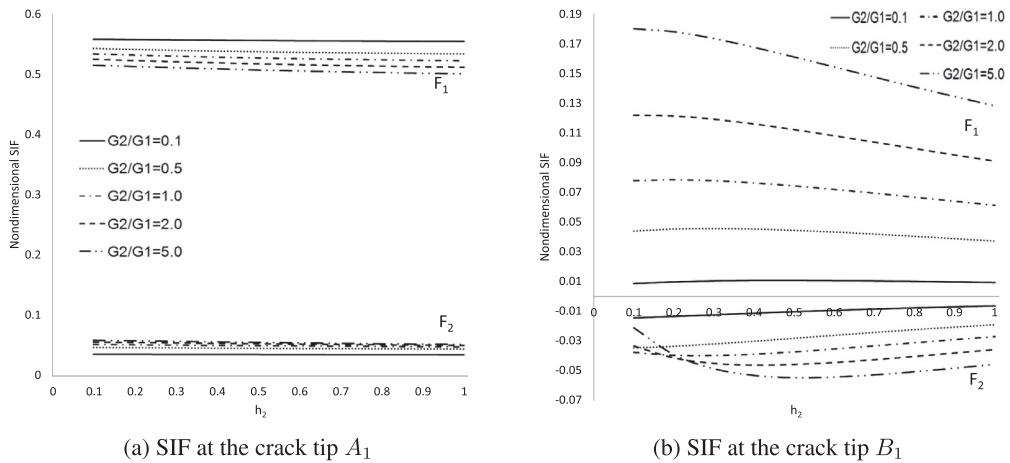


Fig. 12. Nondimensional SIF when  $h_1 = h_2 = 0.5R_2$ ,  $R_2 = 1.0$  and  $R_1/R_2$  varies (Fig. 10(b)).

**Table 2**  
SIF for an inclined and a semi circular arc cracks, when  $R = h_2 = 1.0$  and  $\alpha = 90^\circ$  (Fig. 10(a)).

$G_2/G_1$	SIF	$R/h_1$								
		0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
0.1	$F_{1A_1}$	1.0035	1.0146	1.0341	1.0628	1.1025	1.1568	1.2334	1.3506	1.5718
	$F_{1A_2}$	1.0031	1.0112	1.0235	1.0391	1.0578	1.0799	1.1059	1.1373	1.1785
	$F_{1B_1}$	0.5174	0.5182	0.5195	0.5214	0.5236	0.5260	0.5285	0.5312	0.5342
	$F_{2B_1}$	0.0450	0.0442	0.0436	0.0433	0.0435	0.0443	0.0456	0.0475	0.0502
0.5	$F_{1A_1}$	1.0023	1.0093	1.0213	1.0380	1.0594	1.0861	1.1196	1.1647	1.2373
	$F_{1A_2}$	1.0019	1.0069	1.0141	1.0227	1.0324	1.0431	1.0547	1.0675	1.0820
	$F_{1B_1}$	0.5182	0.5209	0.5254	0.5312	0.5378	0.5447	0.5515	0.5582	0.5646
	$F_{2B_1}$	0.0441	0.0414	0.0384	0.0360	0.0348	0.0350	0.0365	0.0393	0.0431
1.0	$F_{1A_1}$	1.0015	1.0063	1.0140	1.0242	1.0358	1.0479	1.0597	1.0707	1.0806
	$F_{1A_2}$	1.0013	1.0044	1.0087	1.0135	1.0184	1.0233	1.0281	1.0324	1.0365
	$F_{1B_1}$	0.5189	0.5233	0.5298	0.5379	0.5467	0.5558	0.5646	0.5727	0.5800
	$F_{2B_1}$	0.0435	0.0392	0.0340	0.0292	0.0256	0.0237	0.0234	0.0247	0.0272
2.0	$F_{1A_1}$	1.0009	1.0034	1.0073	1.0114	1.0140	1.0132	1.0060	0.9881	0.9480
	$F_{1A_2}$	1.0006	1.0020	1.0037	1.0050	1.0057	1.0055	1.0044	1.0020	0.9982
	$F_{1B_1}$	0.5199	0.5262	0.5349	0.5451	0.5560	0.5669	0.5772	0.5863	0.5937
	$F_{2B_1}$	0.0429	0.0367	0.0286	0.0204	0.0132	0.0079	0.0046	0.0033	0.0039
5.0	$F_{1A_1}$	1.0001	1.0004	1.0004	0.9985	0.9923	0.9788	0.9534	0.9085	0.8245
	$F_{1A_2}$	1.0000	0.9996	0.9986	0.9964	0.9929	0.9880	0.9814	0.9732	0.9630
	$F_{1B_1}$	0.5213	0.5300	0.5411	0.5535	0.5663	0.5789	0.5903	0.6000	0.6071
	$F_{2B_1}$	0.0422	0.0336	0.0217	0.0088	-0.0034	-0.0136	-0.0211	-0.0257	-0.0274



**Fig. 13.** Nondimensional SIF when  $h_1 = 0.5R_1$ ,  $R_1 = R_2 = 1.0$  and  $h_2$  varies (Fig. 10(b)).

increases and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases. Whereas at crack tip  $B_1$ , as  $R_1/R_2$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  decreases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  decreases. For  $h_1 = 0.5R_1$ ,  $R_1 = R_2 = 1.0$  and  $h_2$  varies the nondimensional SIF are presented in Fig. 13. It is found that at crack tip  $A_1$ , as  $h_2$  increases  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases. Whereas at crack tip  $B_1$ , as  $h_2$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  decreases.

### 3.4. A circular arc and a perpendicular cracks

Consider a circular arc crack in the upper part and a perpendicular crack in the lower part of bonded dissimilar materials subjected to remote shear stress  $\sigma_{x_1} = \sigma_{x_2} = p$  defined in Fig. 14.

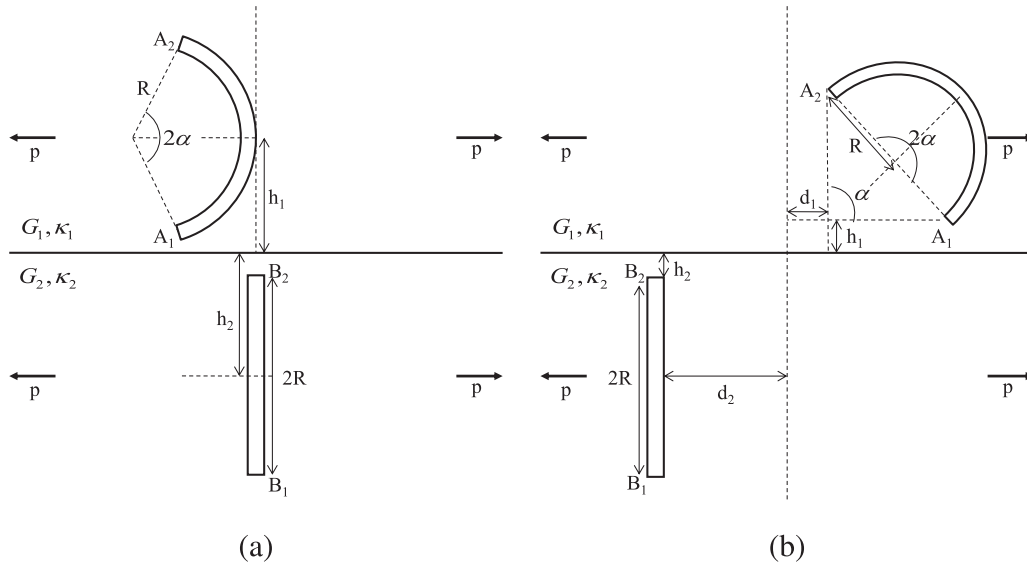


Fig. 14. A circular arc and a perpendicular cracks in bonded dissimilar materials.

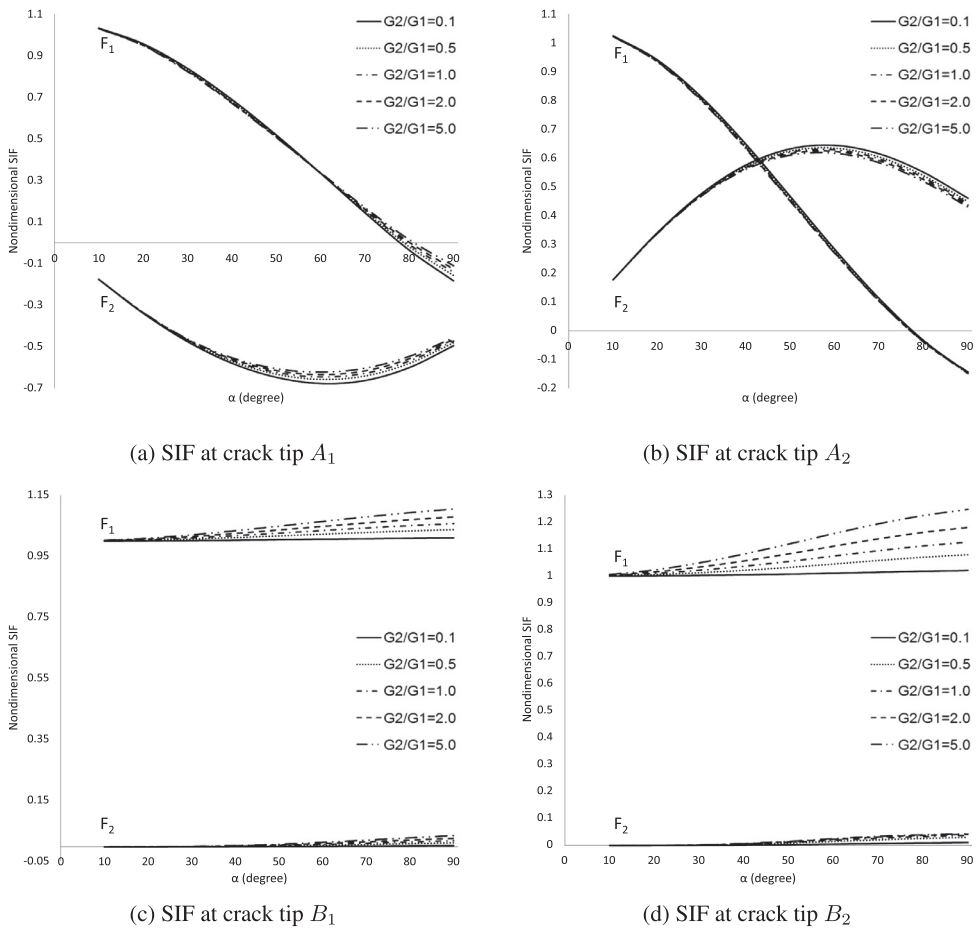


Fig. 15. Nondimensional SIF when  $h_1 = 2R$ ,  $R/h_2 = 0.9$  and  $\alpha$  varies (Fig. 14(a)).

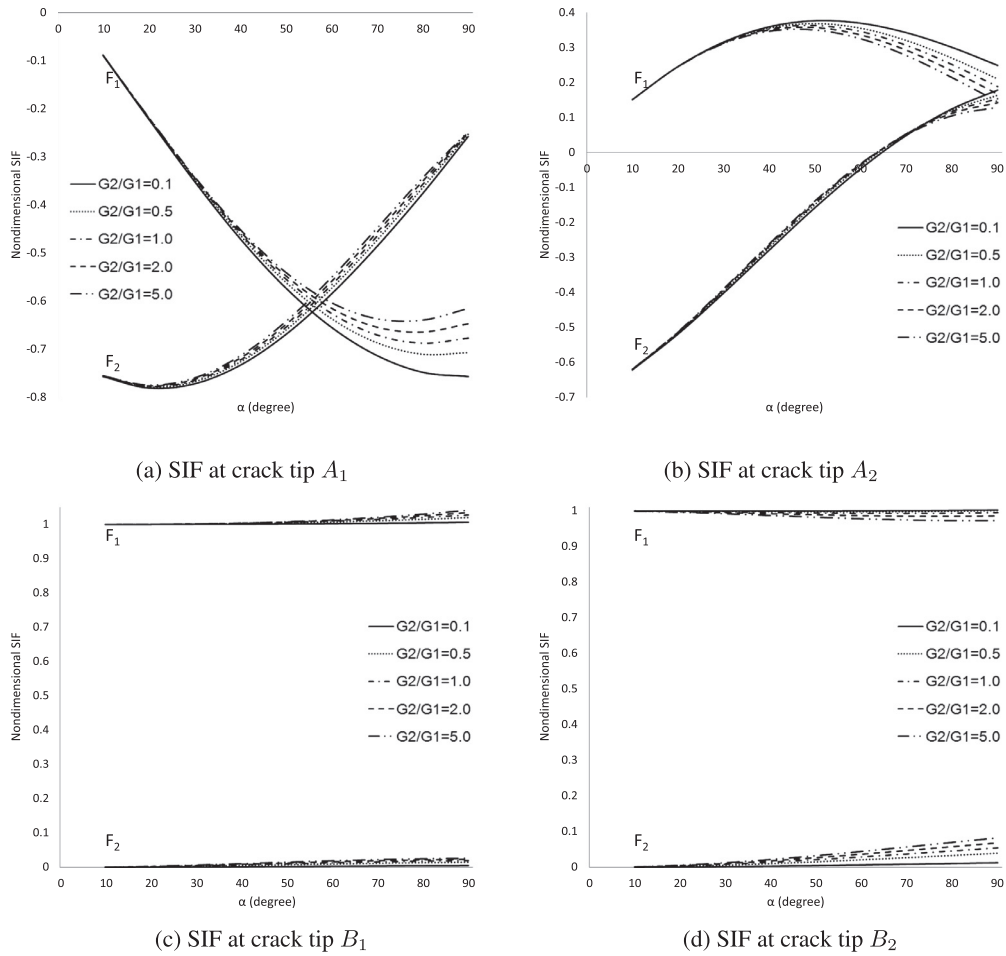


Fig. 16. SIF when  $d_1 = h_1 = 0.5R$ ,  $9d_2 = 10R$ ,  $9h_2 = 1$  and  $\alpha$  varies (Fig. 14(b)).

Fig. 15 presents the nondimensional SIF when  $h_1 = 2R$ ,  $R/h_2 = 0.9$  and  $\alpha$  varies for the problem defined in Fig. 14(a). It is found that at crack tip  $A_1$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  decreases for  $\alpha < 60^\circ$ , and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  does not show any significant differences and  $F_2$  increases. At crack tip  $A_2$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases for  $\alpha < 60^\circ$ , and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  does not show any significant differences and  $F_2$  decreases. At crack tip  $B_1$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences. Whereas  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  at crack tip  $B_2$  behave as  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  at crack tip  $B_1$ .

Fig. 16 shows the nondimensional SIF for the problem defined in Fig. 14(b) when  $d_1 = h_1 = 0.5R$ ,  $9d_2 = 10R$ ,  $9h_2 = 1$  and  $\alpha$  varies. At crack tip  $A_1$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  increase. At crack tip  $A_2$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  increases for  $\alpha < 50^\circ$  and  $F_2$  increases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences. At crack tip  $B_1$ , as  $\alpha$  and  $G_2/G_1$  increase  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences. Whereas at crack tip  $B_2$ , as  $\alpha$  increases  $F_1$  does not show any significant differences and  $F_2$  increases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increase  $F_1$  decreases and  $F_2$  increases. Fig. 17 presents the nondimensional SIF when  $d_1 = d_2 = R$ ,  $\alpha = 90^\circ$  and  $h_1 = h_2$  varies (Fig. 14(b)). It is observed that at crack tip  $A_1$ , as  $h_1 = h_2$  increases  $F_1$  increases for  $G_2/G_1 < 1.0$  and decreases for  $G_2/G_1 \geq 1.0$  and  $F_2$  increases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences. At crack tip  $A_2$ , as  $h_1 = h_2$  increases  $F_1$  increases for  $G_2/G_1 > 0.0$  and decreases for  $G_2/G_1 = 0.0$  and  $F_2$  decreases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  decrease. At crack tip  $B_1$ , as  $h_1 = h_2$  increases  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  increases and  $F_2$  does not show any significant differences. Whereas at crack tip  $B_2$ , as  $h_1 = h_2$  increases  $F_1$  does not show any significant differences and  $F_2$  decreases, and as  $G_2/G_1$  increases  $F_1$  decreases for  $h_1 = h_2 < 0.6$  and increases for  $h_1 = h_2 > 0.6$  and  $F_2$  increases.

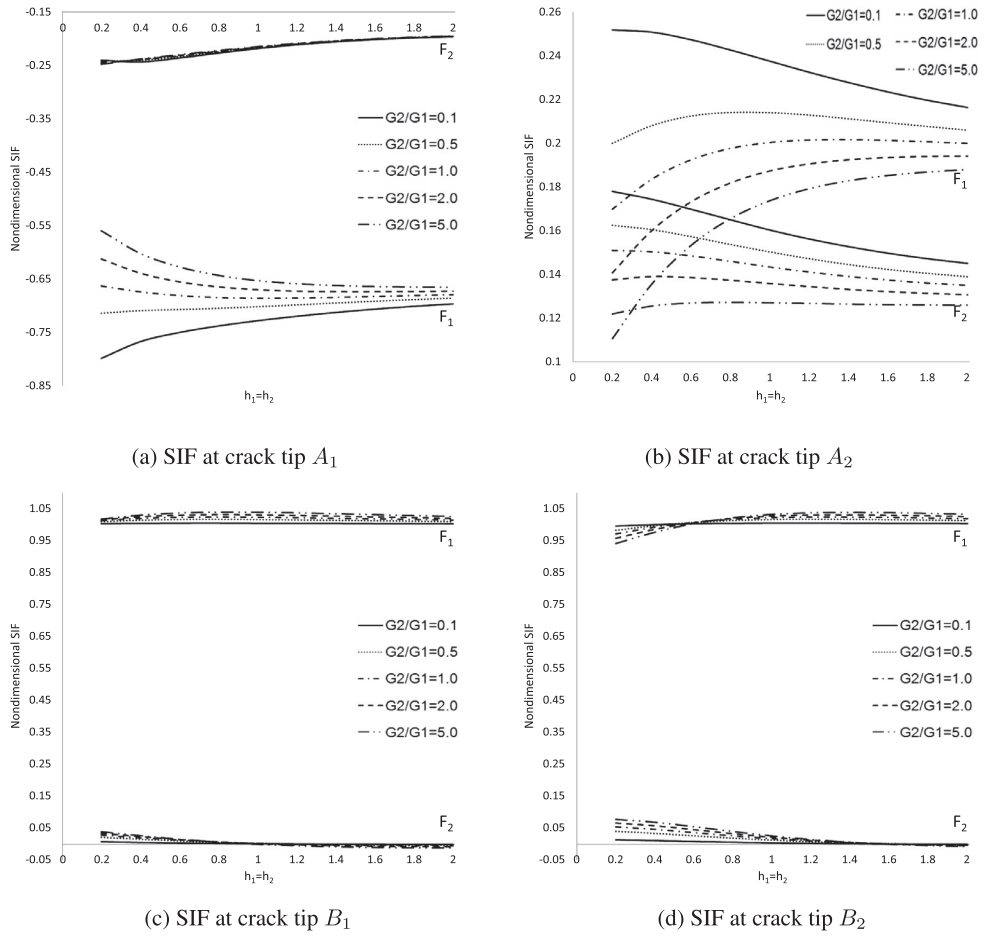


Fig. 17. Nondimensional SIF when  $d_1 = d_2 = R$ ,  $\alpha = 90^\circ$  and  $h_1 = h_2$  varies (Fig. 14(b)).

4. Conclusions

In this paper, the new system of HSIEs for the multiple cracks problems in both upper and lower parts of bonded dissimilar materials are formulated by using the modified complex variable function method with the crack opening displacement function as the unknown. Our new system of HSIEs reduces to the system of HSIEs for cracks problems in an infinite plane when  $G_1 = G_2$ . Numerical calculation shows that the Mode I and Mode II nondimensional SIF for cracks in both upper and lower parts of bonded dissimilar materials depend on the elastic constants ratio ( $G_2/G_1$ ), cracks geometries and the distance between the crack and the boundary. However the position and geometries of the cracks are more influence on the variations of nondimensional SIF.

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