# Stochastic models for the space-time evolution of martensitic avalanches

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#### Overview

- General Branching Random Walk model for martensitic avalanches
- Fragmentation model (SOC à-la-Bak) for the crystal variants of an elastic crystal





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- Joint work with John Ball and Ben Hambly (Oxford)
  - J. Ball, P.C., B. Hambly, Proceedings ESOMAT15
  - P.C., B. Hambly, in progress
  - P.C., M. Porta, T. Lookman, JMPS 2014
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#### Martensitic transformation





#### Aus-Mar interface, C.Chu

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#### Elasticity framework

- $F \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$  the deformation gradient
- $\psi(F)$  the free-energy density



Figure : First-order phase transition, fixed temperature

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#### Effect of temperature

- $F \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$  the deformation gradient
- $\psi(\theta; F)$  the free-energy density





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## Self-similarity



Transformed sample of Cu-Zn-Al (after cooling). Optical microscope with polarized light 3mm x 2mm (Morin)



LEFT-CENTER: SEM micrograph pictures, Ti-Ni; RIGHT: Ti-Ni-Cu (orthorombic martensite), self-acc.

M. Nishida et al. (2012) Self-accommodation of B19 martensite in Ti-Ni shape memory alloys-Part 1. Morphological and crystallographic studies of the variant selection rule, Philosophical Magazine, 92:17, 2215-2233.

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#### Martensitic transformation

A martensitic transformation is a phase transition which involves a cooperative motion of a set of atoms across an interface causing a shape change and a sound.

Philip C. Clapp, ICOMAT95



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#### **Avalanches**



- intermittent evolution as a sequence of jerks (avalanches)
- athermal behavior
- jerky behavior is consequence of disorder



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#### Acoustic emissions

#### Avalanches detected by ultrasonic AEs



- 1) Polarized light optical micrograph of sample of martensitic NiMnGa at room temperature.
- 2) Emission hits per 0.01K temperature interval (acoustic activity).
- 3) Histogram of the number of hits vs the absolute energy.

Niemann et al. (2014), PRB

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## Universality

Universality class critical exponents  $\alpha$  and  $\epsilon$  and variant-multiplicity for systems transforming from cubic to selected martensitic symmetries. They are estimated as averaged values in the adiabatic limit. For monoclinic martensites, data reported for Cu–Al–Zn, Cu–Al–Be, Cu–Al–Mn [23] and Ni–Al [24] have been used. For orthorhombic martensite data are from two Cu–Al–Ni [23] and from a Cu–Al–Mn alloy [17]. For tetragonal martensite data from single- and poly-crystalline Fe-Pd have been used [27].

M-symmetry	α	$\epsilon$	Multiplicity
Monoclinic	$3.0 \pm 0.2$	$2.0 \pm 0.2$	12
Orthorhombic	$2.4 \pm 0.1$	-	6
Tetragonal	$2.0 \pm 0.3$	$1.6 \pm 0.1$	3



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SEM micrograph (backscattered electron contrast) of an epitaxial Ni-Mn-Ga film in the martensitic state at room temperature. (b) A zoom-in shows two different microstructures. All contrast comes from mesoscopic twin boundaries. (c, d) TEM micrographs at cross-sections along the lines marked in (b).

R. Niemannet al. (2014) PRB





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#### 3, 4 Phases



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Avalanche formation of a habit plane variant cluster with triangular morphology in TiNbAl [Kamioka, ...,T. Inamura, Proceedings of ESOMAT 2015]

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#### 6 Phases



Fig. 9 (a) Configuration of six variants. Surface marking on the surface of the parent phase (electron micrograph). (b) Schematic explanation of (a).

Self-accomodation structure in Ti-Ni-Cu Orthorombic Martensite, Watanabe et al., J. Japan Inst. Metals, 54, N.8 1990.

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#### Other shapes



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## The fragmentation model

- Pick a point at random (nucleation)
- $\bullet\,$  Choose a direction, V (with probability p) or H
- The general rectangle (a, b) splits into  $(a,b) \rightarrow \begin{cases} (aU,b), (a(1-U),b) \text{ with probability } p \\ aU = \overline{a(1-U)} \\ (a,bU), (a,b(1-U)) \text{ with probability } 1-p \\ a = \overline{a} \end{cases}$ b a(1-U) bU а





## General Branching Random Walk

• The whole structure can be captured in a tree as the evolution inside any rectangle does not affect what happens outside that rectangle.



- Thus in our tree each vertex will represent a rectangle .
- We use some results from Biggins<sup>1</sup>: super-critical GBRW have a shape theorem indicating the region where the number of particles will grow exponentially.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>How fast does a general branching random walk spread? *IMA Vol. Math. Appl., 84, Springer, New York, 1997.* 

## log transformation

• Transformation:

$$\begin{array}{ll} x = -\log a & \geq 0 \\ y = -\log b & \geq 0 \end{array}$$

- Each rectangle is an individual in the branching process and location is determined by its sides → GBRW in ℝ<sup>2</sup><sub>+</sub>.
- Ancestor  $(0,1) \times (0,1) \rightarrow (0,0)$
- The smaller the rectangles, the larger the coordinates

#### Constructing the tree



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## Branching Random Walk

- In Crump-Mode-Jagers (General Branching Process) model an individual *z*:
  - is born at time  $\sigma_z \ge 0$ ,
  - has a lifetime  $L_z \ge 0$ ,
  - has offspring whose birth times are determined by a point process ξ<sub>z</sub> on (0,∞).
- For a General Branching Random Walk we include a point process for the birth position η<sub>z</sub> (as well as birth times).

#### General Branching Random Walk

- Let the Bernoulli r.v.  $B_i = \begin{cases} 0 & horizontal & 1-p \\ 1 & vertical & p \end{cases}$
- Let *U<sub>i</sub>* uniform r.v. in [0, 1]
- Outcomes of the general rectangle (*a*, *b*) are

$$(a,b) \rightarrow \begin{cases} \left(B_i U_i a, (1-B_i) U_i b\right) & \boxed{a U = a(1-U)} \\ \left(B_i (1-U_i) a, (1-B_i)(1-U_i) b\right) & \boxed{a} \end{bmatrix}_{b U} \\ a = \begin{bmatrix} a U & a U \\ a & b \end{bmatrix}_{b (1-U)} \end{cases}$$

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#### General Branching Random Walk

Birth time: proportional to - log(*Area*) of rectangle splitting
 (η<sub>i</sub>, ξ<sub>i</sub>) = space, time position of offspring of *i*

$$\eta_i, \xi_i = \begin{cases} (-B_i \log U_i, -(1 - B_i) \log U_i) & -\log U_i \\ (-B_i \log(1 - U_i), -(1 - B_i) \log(1 - U_i)) & -\log(1 - U_i) \end{cases}$$

• The space-time point process:

$$(\eta(d\mathbf{x}),\xi(dt)) = \begin{cases} (\delta_{(-\log u,0)}(d\mathbf{x}),\delta_{-\log t}(dt))I_{\{u=t\}} + \\ (\delta_{(-\log (1-u),0)}(d\mathbf{x}),\delta_{-\log (1-t)}(dt))I_{\{u=t\}} & 1/2 \\ \\ (\delta_{(0,-\log u)}(d\mathbf{x}),\delta_{-\log t}(dt))I_{\{u=t\}} + \\ (\delta_{(0,-\log (1-u))}(d\mathbf{x}),\delta_{-\log (1-t)}(dt))I_{\{u=t\}} & 1/2 \end{cases}$$

- birth time of  $\sigma_{\emptyset} = 0$
- birth time of  $\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_i + \inf\{t : \xi_i(t) \ge j\}$

#### Time

- $t = -log(1 U_1) log(1 U_2) log(1 U_3)$
- Largest area is  $(1 U_1)(1 U_2)(1 U_3)$
- That is t = -log(Area)
- at time t largest area is  $e^{-t}$



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#### Shape Theorem

• We want to keep track of  $N_t(A) = \#$  individuals in the set A at time t.

Take  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^2_+$  closed, convex, non-empty interior. 1 If  $A \cap \{(x, y) : x + y = 1\} = \emptyset$  then  $t^{-1} \log N_t(tA) \to -\infty$   $t \to \infty, a.s.$ 2 If  $A \cap \{(x, y) : x + y = 1\} \neq \emptyset$  then  $t^{-1} \log N_t(tA) \to \beta \ge 0$   $t \to \infty, a.s.$ 

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#### where

$$m(\mathbf{w},\phi) = E \int e^{-\mathbf{w}\cdot\mathbf{x}-\phi t} \eta_{\emptyset}(d\mathbf{x})\xi_{\emptyset}(dt), \qquad \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{2}, \phi \in \mathbb{R}_{+}.$$

the moment-generating function for the position and birth times of offsprings.

#### Interpretation



Figure :  $n = 10^2, 10^3, 10^4$ 

The line x + y = tAreas  $\sim e^{-t}$ 

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#### Application

- At time *t* largest Area= $e^{-t} \rightarrow t = -\log Area$
- Shape theorem describes exponential growth of individuals *N* in a certain set *A* ⊂ ℝ<sup>2</sup><sub>++</sub>

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}t^{-1}\log(t\,N_t(A))=\beta\geq 0$$

• for finite *t*, approximation formula

$$N_t(A_{x,y}) = e^{t f(rac{x}{t},rac{y}{t})}$$

with:

$$f\left(\frac{x}{t}, \frac{y}{t}\right) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{1 - (2p - 1)^2} \sqrt{1 - (\frac{x}{t} - \frac{y}{t})^2} + \\ +(1 - 2p)(\frac{x}{t} - \frac{y}{t}) & \text{if } \frac{x}{t} + \frac{y}{t} = 1 \\ -\infty & \text{if } \frac{x}{t} + \frac{y}{t} \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

#### Numerical results (rectangles)



• for  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ , n = 2000,  $t \approx 6.9$ 

Analytical solution

$$f(\frac{x}{t}, 1-\frac{x}{t}) = 2\sqrt{\frac{x}{t}(1-\frac{x}{t})}$$

holds on the line  $\frac{x}{t} + \frac{y}{t} = 1$  (*ab* =  $e^{-t}$ )

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## Numerical results (interfaces)



Salje et al. (2009) Jerky elasticity: Avalanches and the martensitic transition in shape-memory alloy, APL 95

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#### Case with bias



Figure : Histograms, p = 0.1



Figure : Histograms, p = 0.3

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## Mondrian process

The Mondrian Process, D. M. Roy, Y. W. Teh, Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 21 (NIPS 2008)



- Initial budget  $\lambda > 0$
- Nucleus picked at random
- Cut is made with probability proportional to its length
- Cost of cut  $\propto$  its length
- Arrest when the total length reaches the budget

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#### Fractal microstructure



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#### 3D model



 $n = 10, 10^2, 10^3$  events.

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#### Cloud and plate distribution.

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## Random angles



- Surface energy
- Unpinning strategy (joint w. A. Collevecchio, Monash)

## **TIVP** model

G. Torrents et al., Geometrical model for martensitic phase transitions: understanding criticality and weak universality during microstructure growth, to appear

- discrete model
- our focus on new individuals
- discrete features



• statistics for interfaces and areas

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#### Self-similar nested microstructure



Figure : Star disclination in  $Pb_3(VO_4)_2$  (*HREM*), C. Manolikas, S. Amelinckx, Phys. Stat. Sol. 1980.



Figure : The 2D version of the hexagonal-to-orthorhombic transformation (Mg-Cd,  $Mg_2Al_4Si_5O_{18}$ ) is the triangle-to-centered-rectangle (TR) transformation.

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#### Exact solutions

 $\bullet \Psi(F) \leftarrow \min_{F \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}} + \textit{Kinematic Compatibility}$ 



• To find a deformation field  $y : \Omega : \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  s.t.

 $\nabla y \in \{E_1, E_2, E_3\}$ 

and y is Hölder continuous.

# Kinematic compatibility (KC)



 $F_1 = \nabla y_1$   $F_2 = \nabla y_2$ 

Conservation of tangential component of  $\nabla y_1, \nabla y_2 \rightarrow F_1 - F_2 = a \otimes n$ 

## Kinematic compatibility

$$\boldsymbol{y}:\Omega \to \mathbb{R}^3: \nabla \boldsymbol{y} \in \{\boldsymbol{E_1}, \boldsymbol{E_2}, \boldsymbol{E_3}\}$$





1.  $\mathbf{Q}_1\mathbf{U}_J - \mathbf{U}_I = \mathbf{b}_1 \otimes \hat{\mathbf{n}}_1$ 

2. 
$$\mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{Q}_2 \mathbf{U}_K - \mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{U}_J = \mathbf{b}_2 \otimes \hat{\mathbf{n}}_2$$

3.  $\mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{Q}_2 \mathbf{Q}_3 \mathbf{U}_L - \mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{Q}_2 \mathbf{U}_K = \mathbf{b}_3 \otimes \hat{\mathbf{n}}_3$ 

4. 
$$\mathbf{U}_I - \mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{Q}_2 \mathbf{Q}_3 \mathbf{U}_L = \mathbf{b}_4 \otimes \hat{\mathbf{n}}_4$$

5.  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_2, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_3$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}_4$  lie on a plane

#### Parallelogram Martensite Microstructure

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#### Star-lisclination





#### $\rightarrow$ Rigidity: solution is unique

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