

Bayesian Inference on Multiscale Models of Carbon-Reinforced Polymers Accelerated by Deep Neural Networks

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Overview

- Multiscale model composition
- Polymer/CNT interface formulation
- Bayesian update of the interfacial properties
- Neural network-based surrogate of the RVE
- Applications / Conclusions

PEEK polymer/ single walled CNTs armchair (8,8)

- Atomic representation of CNTs
- Connection to the nano-scale
 - RVE configuration
- Connection to the macro-scale
 - FE² algorithm



Atomic representation of CNTs

- Carbon atom C-C bonds modeled as beams (mMSM*)
- CNT simulated as a space frame structure
 - + Accurate description
 - Computational demanding





*W.-H. Chen, H.-C. Cheng, Y.-L. Liu, Radial mechanical properties of single-walled carbon nanotubes using modified molecular structure mechanics

Connection to the micro-scale

• Each space frame is projected to an Equivalent Beam Element (EBE*)

$$(EA)_{eq} = \frac{F_x L_0}{u_x}$$

$$(EI)_{eq} = \frac{F_y L_0^3}{3u_y}$$

$$(GJ)_{eq} = \frac{T}{\varphi} L_0$$

*D.N. Savvas, V. Papadopoulos, M. Papadrakakis, The effect of interfacial shear strength on damping behavior of carbon nanotube reinforced composites

RVE configuration

- 1. Determine RVE dimensions
- 2. Add CNTs to achieve a volume fraction
- 3. Formulate an interaction mechanism



Connection to the macro-scale

• Apply BC on RVE according to $\overline{\epsilon}$ (localization):

$$\boldsymbol{u}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \overline{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \boldsymbol{x} \ \, ext{at} \ \, \boldsymbol{x} \in \partial \mathcal{V}$$

- Discretize and solve RVE
- Return $\overline{\sigma}$ and \overline{C} (homogenization):

$$\overline{\sigma} = rac{1}{\|\mathcal{V}\|} \int_{\mathcal{V}} \sigma dx \qquad \overline{C} = \partial_{\overline{\epsilon}} \overline{\sigma}$$

*C. Miehe, A. Koch, Computational micro-to-macro transitions of discretized microstructures undergoing small strains





Polymer/CNT interface formulation

Cohesive zone model

Relates the DOFs of the EBE with the Cohesive Beam Element (CBE)



Polymer/CNT interface formulation

Embedding technique

CBE DOFs are described in terms of the surrounding matrix element's DOFs with an embedding technique



Polymer/CNT interface formulation

Interfacial constitutive law

• A bilinear bond-slip approach is selected for the slip component of the interface:

$$D_{11} = \begin{cases} D_{el}, & \tau_1 \le \tau_{1,y} \\ D_{pl} = pD_{el}, & \tau_1 > \tau_{1,y} \end{cases}$$

 $\tau_{1,y} \rightarrow$ interfacial shear strength $D_{el} \rightarrow$ elastic slope $D_{pl} \rightarrow$ plastic slope



Bayesian update of the interfacial properties

Bayes Theorem:

 $\pi_{post}(\theta|\omega) = \frac{\pi(\omega|\theta)\pi_{prior}(\theta)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\dots\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\pi(\omega|\theta)\pi_{prior}(\theta)d\theta_{1}d\theta_{2}\dots d\theta_{n}}$

 $\pi_{prior}(\theta) \rightarrow$ Prior distribution (Prior beliefs on the probabilistic model)

 $\pi(\omega|\theta) \rightarrow$ Likelihood function (Relation of observations with outcomes of the model)

 $\pi_{post}(\theta|\omega) \rightarrow$ Posterior distribution (Updated probabilistic model)

Bayesian update of the interfacial properties

Likelihood function has the form:

 $\pi(\boldsymbol{\omega}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \pi_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}(\boldsymbol{\omega} - \boldsymbol{M}(\boldsymbol{\theta}))$

- $\theta \rightarrow$ interfacial parameters $(\tau_{1,y}, D_{el}, D_{pl})$
- $\omega \rightarrow$ measurements of deformations
- $M(\theta) \rightarrow FE^2$ model predictions for given θ
 - $\epsilon \rightarrow$ deviation due to measurement and model errors

Bayesian update of the interfacial properties

To efficiently draw samples from the posterior distribution the Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) technique is employed with the form of the Metropolis Hastings (MH) algorithm.

The evaluation of the likelihood requires a FE² solution for each candidate sample **0**[°].



The intention is to learn the nonlinear equation of the RVE's homogenization scheme.

A Feed Forward Neural Network (FFNN) is deployed.

Input neurons consist of θ and $\overline{\varepsilon}$ while output neurons of $\overline{\sigma}$.

Appropriate selection of the ranges from which the sampling will occur.



Procedure by steps:

- 1. Generate N random input samples within some specified ranges
- 2. Solve the nonlinear equation of the RVE for each input vector and get the respective output
- 3. Choose the FFNN architecture and train it using the N pairs of input output.
- 4. Calculate $\overline{C} = [\overline{c}_{ij}]$ using the chain rule $\overline{c}_{ij} = \frac{\partial \overline{\sigma}_{ij}}{\partial h_k} \frac{\partial h_k}{\partial h_{k-1}} \cdots \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \overline{\epsilon}_{ij}}$, where h_k is the k_{th} hidden layer (Automatic Differentiation).

Offline procedure



Online procedure



First example (2D)

A fixed composite panel made of PEEK/SWCNT is subjected to a bending test.



44 quadrilateral plane stress FE

P=100kN \rightarrow u_A=4.2cm

2D RVE representation



RVE dimensions 100x100x20 volume fraction 3% CNT length L₀=50nm EA_{eq}=694.77nN , EI_{eq}=100.18nN , GJ_{eq}=68.77GPA nm/rad 100 quadrilateral plane stress FE

Prior distributions

 D_{el} - N(10,2) (GPa/nm) D_{pl} - N(1,0.2) (GPa/nm) $\tau_{1,v}$ - N(0.1,0.02) (GPa)

	ϵ_{11} $[-]$	ϵ_{12} $[-]$	ϵ_{22} $[-]$	D_{el} [GPa/nm]	$egin{array}{c} D_{pl} \ [{ m GPa/nm}] \end{array}$	$\tau_{1,y}$ [GPa]
min	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	1	0.1	0.01
max	0.1	0.1	0.1	20	2	0.2

Input sample ranges for the FFNN training



Bayesian update was performed on both full-scale and surrogate model.

	Computational time (sec)									
	O	ffline		Online						
Model	FFNN sampling	FFNN training	RVE solution	$\frac{\text{FFNN}}{\overline{C}}$	FE^2	MCMC				
Full scale	-	-3	0.022	8 -	30.5	680850	680850 (189hours)			
Surrogate	174	31	-	8e-5	0.115	2588	2793 (0.8hours)			

Computational time of each stage of the algorithm

Bayesian update was performed on both full-scale and surrogate model.

22500 likelihood evaluations 15000 accepted samples

65% acceptance ratio



Posterior distributions for both solutions

Second example (3D)

A composite wrench fixed on the blue area while subjected to a pressure load on the purple area is studied.



-	Loading case	Measurement(mm)				
-		B^1	B^2	B^3	B^4	B^5
Gaussian kernel	L_1	-0.15	-6.50	-5.31	-4.35	-5.23
(- s)	L_2	-0.31	-13.51	-11.03	-9.04	-10.88
$K(s) = \epsilon^2 exp \frac{\alpha}{\alpha}$						

3D RVE representation



RVE dimensions 100x100x100 volume fraction 4.5% CNT length L₀=50nm EA_{eq}=694.77nN , EI_{eq}=100.18nN , GJ_{eq}=68.77GPA nm/rad 1000 hexagonal FE

Prior distributions

 D_{el} - N(10,2) (GPa/nm) D_{pl} - N(1,0.2) (GPa/nm) $\tau_{1,y}$ - N(0.1,0.02) (GPa)

	ϵ_{11} $[-]$	ϵ_{12} $[-]$	ϵ_{13} $[-]$	ϵ_{22} $[-]$	ϵ_{23} $[-]$	ϵ_{33} [-]	$egin{array}{c} D_{el} \ [{ m GPa} \ /{ m nm}] \end{array}$	$egin{array}{c} D_{pl} \ [{ m GPa} \ /{ m nm}] \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} \tau_{1,y} \\ [\text{GPa}] \end{bmatrix}$
min	-0.08	-0.04	-0.04	-0.08	-0.04	-0.04	0.1	0.01	0.001
max	0.08	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.04	0.04	20	2	0.2

Input sample ranges for the FFNN training



Bayesian update was performed only on the surrogate model.

	Computational time (hours)								
	O	ffline		Online			Total		
	FFNN sampling	FFNN training	RVE solution	$\frac{\rm FFNN}{{\bf C}}$	FE^2	MCMC			
Full scale (Predic- tion)	-	-	0.033	-	37076	926909667	926909667 (105812 years)		
Surro- gate	9.83	0.07	-	2.2e-8	0.014	350	$\begin{array}{c} 359.9 \\ (15 days) \end{array}$		

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Posterior distributions for both solutions

Conclusions

- A methodology for updating the beliefs of microscale properties, which are expensive and hard to be directly measured, has been developed.
- The surrogate model displayed a high level of accuracy compared to the fullscale solution, as well as a remarkable cost reduction.
- This framework is generic and can be extended to other physically analogous phenomena.

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