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# From coherent to incoherent mismatched interfaces: a generalized continuum formulation of surface stresses

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#### Abstract

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atomistic simulations of  $Cu/Cu<sub>2</sub>O$  interfaces is given to demonstrate the relevance of the generalized interfacial formulation and to emphasize the dependence of the interfacial thermodynamic quantities on the incoherency strain with an actual material system.

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#### 1. Introduction

 The physical and chemical properties of materials are greatly influenced by the presence of surrounding surfaces and interfaces, whether interfaces are in the form of grain boundaries separating two grains or in the case of a bicrystal between two dissimilar materials (phase boundaries). Interfacial stress and interfacial energy are quantities that play key roles in the thermodynamics of solid surfaces by providing a continuum description of the underlying atomistic complexity of interfaces. Through various constitutive interfacial models, the thermodynamics of interfaces has proven to be an important factor governing the behavior of materials systems separated by an interface or for which the surface to volume ratio is significant (?????????).

Incial thermodynamic quantities on the incoherency strain with an actual material<br>system.<br>Forgeometric Surface stresses, interface properties, mismatich, grain boundaries,<br> $K$ -gravenece of surrounding surfaces and interfa Indeed, atoms near an interface experience a different local environment than atoms in the bulk of a material. In the direction normal to a surface or an interface, the periodicity of the atomic lattice loses its translational symmetry over several atomic layers as demonstrated for example by atomistic simulations (???). In the case of an interface between two dissimilar materials, at least one phase must be elastically stretched due to the lattice mismatch between both phases resulting in the formation of defects such as dislocations or vacancies. Similarly, as a consequence, the equilibrium position and energy of atoms located in the vicinity of an interface are, in general, somewhat different from their bulk counterparts. Both the translational and in-plane atomic shuffling near the interface contribute to a change in the total

 energy of the interfacial system. The excess energy associated with atoms near an interface is called *interfacial excess energy*.

 For incoherent interfaces (e.g those between two adjacent phases), relaxation of lattice mismatches may result in the formation of peculiar interfacial structures fur- thering the "excess thermodynamic state" over the bulk configuration. The state of interfacial coherency depends on the physical and chemical nature between both phases but is also inherently dependent on external factors such as the tempera- ture or stress field. Qualitatively, the contacting phases possess mismatching lattice constants. For a coherent interface, the mismatch is completely accommodated by straining both phases. In the case of a semi-coherent interface, localized misfit dis- locations are assumed to be responsible for compensating uniform far-field elastic fields, while an incoherent interface is the result of two rigid semi-infinite media in rigid contact (??).

For incolar<br>can be tried minimal interfaces (e.g those between two adjacent phases), relaxation of<br>a lattic missarelaxe may result in the formation of peculiar interfacial structures for<br>a furting the "excess thermodynami <sup>34</sup> There are commonly three approaches adopted to study the properties of inter- faces: (i) the diffuse interface model, (ii) the interphase model and (iii) the divid- ing interface/sharp interface model. In the case of the diffuse interface, interfacial properties are described by a smooth, but rapid transition of both fields (e.g., con- centration or elastic fields) describing the interfacial properties (??). The interphase approach treats the interface in a classical thermodynamic fashion, namely, an arbi- trarily defined finite volume is attributed to the interphase region (hence treated as a three-dimensional material system) and is assigned thermodynamic properties in a classical manner (???). Finally, the concepts of dividing surface, interfacial excess energy and interfacial stress are not new and were initially introduced by ?. In this paradigm, the surface contributions to the thermodynamic quantities are defined as the excesses over the values that would be obtained if the bulk phases retained their properties constant up to a two-dimensional imaginary dividing surface embedded

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a been widely staticd in the fields of physics and chemis in a three-dimensional continuum. In other words, the interface (not interphase) is a mathematical surface of zero thickness over which the thermodynamic properties change discontinuously from one bulk phase to the other. The excess amount is associated only with the dividing surface. This Gibbsian conceptual approach has been widely studied in the fields of physics and chemistry (??????????????????). Despite minor differences in the formulations, all interfacial models consist of the definition of an interfacial strain and the definition of an interfacial constitutive be- havior linking the interfacial strain to the interface excess stress (also commonly called "*surface stress*"). Apart from a few exceptions, theories based on such two- dimensional framework cannot account for the flexural stiffness (????) nor can they describe the transverse behavior of real material interfaces or account for the in- terfacial mismatch. Fairly recently, for a coherent interface in an elastic solid, the so-called Shuttleworth or Shuttleworth-Herring relation (??) relating the interfacial <sup>60</sup> excess energy Γ to the surface stress  $\Sigma^S$  has been generalized by ? to account for the three-dimensional nature of the interface in a Gibbsian context such that,

$$
\Sigma^{S} = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \epsilon^{S}} \bigg|_{\sigma^{\perp}} + \sigma^{\perp} \cdot \mathbb{H} \,, \tag{1}
$$

<sup>62</sup> where the surface stress  $\Sigma^S$  is not only a function of the interface in-plane strain <sup>63</sup> (which is the case in the original Shuttleworth relation) but also a function of <sup>64</sup> the transverse stress  $\sigma^{\perp}$ . The third-order interfacial tensor  $\mathbb{H}$  measures the inherent Poisson's effect in the transverse direction of the interface. However, in the case of a semi-coherent or incoherent interface, as discussed by ?, it is necessary to define two strain and stress measures to describe the general deformation at the interface, rendering equation (1) inadequate since both phases can in principle be stretched independently along the interface.

<sup>70</sup> The present work proposes the use of the Gibbs dividing surface thermodynamic

 framework to develop generalized expressions for interfacial excess stresses and inter- facial excess energy and to account for their variations with respect to the in-plane surface strain, the transverse stress and the interface mismatch strain. Our goal is to unambiguously define interface stresses and the interfacial excess strain in order to understand the connection between the interface thermodynamic quantities and the interface kinetic quantities to arrive at a generalized Shuttleworth relation for mismatched interfaces. In essence, our approach is close to that of ?; in fact, we mostly render their formulation more general and systematic.

a surface strain, the transverse stress and the interface mismatch strain. Our goal is<br>  $\alpha$  to unabelgood y define interface stresses and the interface mismatch strain. Our goal is<br>  $\alpha$  to unabelignously define interfac The manuscript is organized as follows. Section 2 starts with the definitions of the interfacial kinematics. In sections 3 and 4, we propose a generalized formula- tion of the Shuttleworth relationship when a structural mismatch is present at the interface. Explicit expressions of the interfacial tensors are derived in the special case of an incoherent interface between two dissimilar isotropic solids. The connec-<sup>84</sup> tion between the structural mismatch and elastic properties of interfaces is revealed in the singular case of isotropic thermo-elasticity. Finally, numerical examples are provided in section 5 for incoherent interfaces between Cu and its oxide Cu<sub>2</sub>O to <sup>87</sup> illustrate the physicality and insight provided by the proposed formulation in view of atomistic simulations. Note that in the following sections of this manuscript, the terms interface and surface are used interchangeably. A similar remark applies to the designation of the Shuttleworth or Shuttleworth-Herring relationship.

 A list of notation and convention used throughout this manuscript is cataloged in Appendix A.

#### 2. Interfacial kinematics

 Let us consider an incoherent planar interface between two dissimilar elastic crys-talline phases subjected to an anisotropic and nonuniform elastic deformation. The

 two half spaces are assumed to be mutually insoluble so that no diffusion occurs between them and can be ignored. In the interest of a concise analysis, we choose to consider only processes and equilibria at constant and uniform temperature (hence neglecting configurational and thermal entropies). Therefore, and although an ex- plicit temperature dependence is admitted for all free energy functions and materials parameters, we do not display the temperature as a variable (lattice constants and materials properties may be a function of the temperature). It is also assumed that, if more than one interface is present in the material system, these interfaces do not interact with one another. For thin slabs and small particles, it has been demon- strated that interfaces may interact with one another, altering interfacial properties and showing a finite size effect (?). This size effect is more pronounced for ionic sys- tems (long range electrostatic interaction forces) than it is for more classical metallic systems.

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melicit temperature dependence is admitted for al We begin with the definitions of interfacial strains and incoherency. The inter- face S is considered as an imaginary, two-dimensional surface with its location chosen arbitrarily following the Gibbs dividing surface concept. For convenience, let the in-112 terface be located at  $z = 0$  in a Cartesian coordinate system as shown in Fig 1. In this work we consider that the bicrystal is subjected to a homogeneous traction and displacement boundary condition at infinity, such that far away from the interface the deformation can be assumed homogeneous, and the transverse (second Piola-116 Kirchhoff) stress and the in-plane (Lagrangian) strain tensors in the upper  $(z > 0)$ <sup>117</sup> and lower  $(z < 0)$  materials are given by  $\sigma_{\pm}^{\perp}$  and  $\epsilon_{\pm}^{S}$  respectively. It has been shown that such homogeneous deformation can be easily constructed in a bimaterial (?) by the so-called "T-decomposition". Although the deformation far away from the interface is homogeneous, the stress and strain fields near the interface are disrupted by the presence of the interface and the associated disturbance of the atomic lattice

as vectors  $\mathbf{v}^{(0)}$ . In general, the deformation iield gives rise to local stresses in the in-<br>as terfactal system, which can be related by balance laws to the stress in the interface<br>as accronomings and external forc periodicity in its vicinity. The deformation of the interfacial system manifests itself by displacements of the atoms i which can be described by individual displacement <sup>124</sup> vectors  $\mathbf{v}^{(i)}$ . In general, the deformation field gives rise to local stresses in the in- terfacial system, which can be related by balance laws to the stress in the interface surroundings and external forces acting on the atoms near the interface. If we as- sume that the displacement varies smoothly at the atomic scale, the equations of balance can be derived based on a description of the interfacial system as a contin-129 uum, where the displacement field is represented by  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})$ , with the vector x being a continuous position variable. The treatment of the displacement fields and strain fields is measured from a reference state (Lagrangian measure) of one of the two half 132 crystals chosen arbitrarily. The reference states for medium "+"  $(z > 0)$  and for 133 medium "−"  $(z < 0)$  can be chosen as states of uniform composition.

<sup>134</sup> As mentioned by ?, two measures of the Lagrangian interfacial in-plane strain tensors,  $\epsilon^{S}$  and  $\epsilon^{*,S}$  respectively, are necessary since each crystal has its own refer-136 ence state. The displacement fields  $\mathbf{u}_+ (\mathbf{x})$  and  $\mathbf{u}_- (\mathbf{x})$  can be used for the standard 137 definition of the elastic in-plane surface strain tensor in small deformation  $\epsilon_+^S$  and <sup>138</sup>  $\epsilon_-^S$  in medium "+" and medium "-" respectively such that,

$$
\epsilon_{\pm}^{S} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \nabla^{S} \mathbf{u}_{\pm} + \nabla^{S} \mathbf{u}_{\pm}^{T} \right) , \qquad (2)
$$

139 where  $\nabla^S$  is the surface gradient. The surface nabla operator  $\nabla^S$  is simply defined 140 by the projection of the nabla operator  $\nabla$  on the tangential plane of the interface <sup>141</sup> such that,

$$
\nabla^{S} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}^{S}) \otimes \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}^{S})) \nabla , \qquad (3)
$$

<sup>142</sup> where  $\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}^S)$  is the interface unit normal upward pointing from the reference phase <sup>143</sup> (in this case the "+" half space),  $\mathbf{x}^S$  is the interfacial position vector, and **I** is the  $_{144}$  second-order identity tensor. Having the medium " $+$ " chosen as our reference phase

and assuming continuity of displacement along the interface leads to  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S_+ = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S_-$ . 146 Because medium "+" is chosen as our reference,  $\epsilon^{S}$  is independent of  $\mathbf{u}_{-}(\mathbf{x})$ . The <sup>147</sup> in-plane strain tensor  $\epsilon^S$  represents the interface strain measure associated with <sup>148</sup> deforming both phases by the same amount. Another assumption stemming for the <sup>149</sup> "T- decomposition" (see Appendix B for more details) leads to an interfacial normal 150 stress continuity condition (i.e.  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{+}^{\perp} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{-}^{\perp}$ ).

<sup>151</sup> The second strain measure  $\epsilon^{*,S}$  associated with the interface represents the inter-<sup>152</sup> face components of the strain of medium "−" relative to medium "+". As illustrated <sup>153</sup> in Fig. 2, following ? and ?, the strain tensor  $\epsilon^{*,S}$  is only defined in medium "−" <sup>154</sup> such that it can be expressed and decomposed into two components such that,

$$
\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{*,S}(\mathbf{x}) = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{*,S}_{-}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \nabla^S \mathbf{u}_- - \nabla^S \mathbf{u}_+ \right) + \left( \nabla^S \mathbf{u}_- - \nabla^S \mathbf{u}_+ \right)^{\mathrm{T}} \right] = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{0,S} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S} g(\mathbf{x}) \tag{4}
$$

155 The strain tensor  $\epsilon^{0,S}$  is an eigenstrain related to stress free configuration corre-<sup>156</sup> sponding to the change in molar volume between medium "+" and medium "−". 157 For cubic systems, the molar volume  $V_-^0$  of stress free medium " $-$ " is given in terms <sup>158</sup> of the molar volume  $V^0_+$  of medium "+" in its reference state such that,

$$
V_{-}^{0} = \left[1 + \epsilon_{kk}^{0,S}\right]^{3} V_{+}^{0} \approx \left[1 + 3\epsilon_{kk}^{0,S}\right] V_{+}^{0} . \tag{5}
$$

w in-plane strain tensor  $e^x$  represents the interface strain measure associated with<br>
a deforming both phases by the same amount. Another assumption stemming for the<br>  $e^{-x}$  decomposition" (see Appendix B for more detai 159 The strain tensor  $\epsilon^{m,S}$  represents the in-plane structural mismatch or deviation <sup>160</sup> from the coherency at the interface (i.e.  $z = 0$ ). The spatial function  $g(\mathbf{x})$  defined in <sup>161</sup> equation (4) corresponds to the variation of this structural mismatch over few atomic  $_{162}$  layers and vanishes far from the interface. As such,  $g(0) = 1$  by definition of the 163 in-plane structural mismatch  $\epsilon^{m,S}$ , and  $g(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{x} \le -h$ , where h is an arbitrary <sup>164</sup> distance far away from the interface (see illustrations in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2). In the 165 present manuscript (semi-infinite media), the function  $g(\mathbf{x})$  does not vary with the <sup>166</sup> interfacial material system size (as it would be the case for thin films, for example)

<sup>167</sup> since we are not accounting for interfaces interactions. The structural mismatch at <sup>168</sup> the interface is usually defined as (??):

$$
\epsilon^{m,S}_{\alpha\beta} = 2\frac{\ell_+ - \ell_-}{\ell_+ + \ell_-}\delta_{\alpha\beta} \;, \tag{6}
$$

169 where  $\ell_+$  and  $\ell_-$  are the crystal lattice parameters in phase "+" and "-" respectively <sup>170</sup> and  $\delta_{\alpha\beta}$  is the Kronecker delta symbol.

 $\epsilon_{33}^{\text{NS}} = 2 \frac{k_1 - k}{L + \epsilon} \delta_{\text{eff}} \,, \eqno{(6)}$ <br>
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an In plight of the definit In light of the definitions of  $\epsilon^{0,S}$  and  $\epsilon^{m,S}$ , the strain tensor  $\epsilon^{*,S}$  corresponds to an in-plane eigenstrain related to the change of the interface structure. For example, if we consider the interface between a crystal of finite thickness and a flat thick substrate, changing the in-plane lattice spacing of the crystal while keeping the lattice spacing of the substrate constant requires the introduction of misfit dislocations at the interface to relax the interfacial system (?).

#### 177 3. Thermodynamic framework for an incoherent interface

#### <sup>178</sup> *3.1. Interfacial thermodynamic framework*

<sup>179</sup> We now use the Gibbs dividing surface thermodynamic framework to define the <sup>180</sup> interfacial excess free energy, interfacial excess stress and interfacial excess strain for <sup>181</sup> a coherent and incoherent interface. In this continuum representation, the total free 182 energy F of the interfacial system (i.e. both semi-infinite crystal  $\Omega_+$  and  $\Omega_-$  and the 183 dividing interface  $S$ ) is given by

$$
\mathcal{F} = \int_{\Omega_+} \Psi_+(\mathbf{x}) \, dV + \int_{\Omega_-} \Psi_-(\mathbf{x}) \, dV + \int_{\mathcal{S}} \Gamma(\mathbf{x}) \, dA \;, \tag{7}
$$

184 where  $\Psi_{\pm}(\mathbf{x})$  is the bulk free-energy density per unit volume in medium "+" and  $185$  "−" respectively, while  $\Gamma(\mathbf{x})$  is the interfacial excess free energy.

<sup>186</sup> Both bulk phases are being strained by the same amount in the plane of the <sup>187</sup> interface and loaded transversely to the interface along its normal direction ("T-<sup>188</sup> decomposition"). Additionally each solid half space is subjected to eigenstrains

<sup>189</sup>  $\epsilon^*_{\pm}(\mathbf{x})$  ( $\epsilon^*_{+}(\mathbf{x})=0$ ) in medium "+" or medium "−" respectively and the bulk con-<sup>190</sup> stitutive behavior is treated in a classical manner such that,

$$
\Psi_{\pm} = \hat{\Psi}_{\pm}(\nabla \mathbf{u}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^*, \mathbf{x}) \text{ in } \Omega_{\pm} , \qquad (8)
$$

$$
d\Psi_{\pm} = \sigma_{\pm} : d\epsilon_{\pm} = \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}_{\pm} : (\epsilon_{\pm} - \epsilon_{\pm}^{*}) d\epsilon_{\pm} , \qquad (9)
$$

191 where  $\sigma_{\pm}$  is the second Piola-Kirchhoff stress tensor in medium "+" or medium "-" 192 respectively,  $\underline{\mathbb{C}}_{\pm}$  is the corresponding elastic stiffness tensor and the elastic strain 193 tensor in small deformation  $\epsilon_{\pm}$  is defined in a standard fashion. The bulk description <sup>194</sup> is augmented by the constitutive behavior of the interface in the form,

$$
\Gamma = \hat{\Gamma}\left(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\perp, \mathbf{x}^S\right) \,,\tag{10}
$$

195 where  $\epsilon^S$  is the surface strain defined in equation (2),  $\sigma^{\perp}$  denotes the transverse <sup>196</sup> stress tensor normal to the interface (based on the "T-decomposition") and  $\epsilon^{m,S}$  is  $_{197}$  the in-plane structural mismatch strain tensor defined in equation (4).

198 The variables  $(\epsilon^S, \sigma^{\perp}, \epsilon^{m,S})$  being defined, the next task is to identify their appro- priate interfacial conjugate variables through the generalized thermodynamic frame- work for the interface free energy density for which the interfacial power density of internal forces takes the form in the most general case,

$$
p^{S} = \Sigma^{S} : \dot{\epsilon}^{S} + \mathbb{D}^{\perp} \cdot \dot{\sigma}^{\perp} + \Upsilon^{S} : \dot{\epsilon}^{m, S} . \tag{11}
$$

 $\begin{array}{ll} \Psi_{-} & = & \Psi_{+}(\nabla\mathbf{u},e^{z},\mathbf{x})\text{ in }\Omega_{+} \ , \end{array} \tag{8} \\ \Psi_{-} & = & \sigma_{\pm}:d\epsilon_{\pm}\equiv \underline{C}_{\pm}: ( \epsilon_{\pm}-\epsilon_{\pm})\, d\epsilon_{\pm} \ , \end{array} \tag{9} \\ \text{where $\sigma_{\pm}$ is the second Piala-Kirchhoff stress tensor in medium "+" or medium "-" are respectively, $\underline{C}$_ is the corresponding elastic stiffness tensor and the elastic strain in tensor in small deformation $e_{+}$ is defined in a standard fashion. The bulk description is is augmented by the constructive behavior of the interface in the form, $\Gamma=\Gamma\left(e^{\$ 202 In this context, the surface tensor  $\Sigma^S$  can be identified as the interfacial stress, ther-203 modynamic conjugate of the in-plane strain field  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S$ , the surface tensor  $\boldsymbol{\Upsilon}^S$  can be <sup>204</sup> identified as the incoherent interfacial stress, thermodynamic conjugate of the interthe facial mismatch strain  $\epsilon^{m,S}$ , and the tensor  $\mathbb{D}^{\perp}$  can be associated with the interfacial <sup>206</sup> excess strain, thermodynamic conjugate of the transverse stress field  $\sigma^{\perp}$ . For coher-207 ent interfaces the last term is missing since  $\epsilon^{m,S} = 0$ . The term in  $\Upsilon^{S}$ :  $\epsilon^{m,S}$  can

<sup>208</sup> be viewed as a correction to the interfacial energy due to deviation from coherency. 209 Expressions for tensor  $\Sigma^S$ ,  $\mathbb{D}^{\perp}$  and  $\Upsilon^S$  stated as a function of the interfacial excess 210 energy and its derivatives with respect to the state variables  $({{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}^S},{{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}}^{\perp},{{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}^{m,S}})$  constitute <sup>211</sup> the generalized Shuttleworth relationship (see section 3.5).

#### <sup>212</sup> *3.2. Interfacial excess energy*

<sup>213</sup> The interfacial excess energy Γ of a mismatched interface is defined using the <sup>214</sup> standard Gibbs definition of the interfacial excess energy per unit of undeformed <sup>215</sup> area combined with the "T-decomposition" (see Appendix B) such that,

$$
\Gamma = \int_0^\infty (\Psi(\mathbf{x}) - \Psi_+) d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^0 (\Psi(\mathbf{x}) - \Psi_-) d\mathbf{x}, \qquad (12)
$$

<sup>216</sup> where

$$
\Psi(\mathbf{x}) = \hat{\Psi}_0 + \hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}}^S(\mathbf{x}) : [\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{*,S}(\mathbf{x})] \n+ \frac{1}{2} [\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{*,S}(\mathbf{x})] : \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}^S(\mathbf{x})} : [\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{*,S}(\mathbf{x})] + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\perp \cdot \mathbb{M}^\perp(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\perp,
$$
\n(13)

<sup>217</sup> and

$$
\Psi_{+} = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S} : \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^{S}_{+} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S} + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{+}^{\perp} \cdot \mathbb{M}_{+}^{\perp} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{+}^{\perp} , \qquad (14)
$$

$$
\Psi_{-} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{0,S} \right) : \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^{S} : \left( \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{0,S} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} \cdot \mathbb{M}^{\perp} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} . \tag{15}
$$

26 energy and its derivatives with respect to the state variables  $(e^a, \sigma^a, e^{a_0}s)$  constitute<br>
2*n* the generalized Shuttleworth relationship (see section 3.5).<br>
2*n* 3.2. Interfacial excess energy  $\Gamma$  of a mismatched <sup>218</sup> Keep in mind that equations (14) and (15) are the result of having medium "+" as 219 the reference medium. As such, the eigenstrain  $\epsilon^{0,S}$  appears only in medium "−" and 220 not in medium "+". Making use of equations  $(13)$ ,  $(14)$  and  $(15)$  in equation  $(12)$ , 221 it follows that the interfacial excess energy Γ can be expressed as,

$$
\Gamma = \Gamma_0 + \mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S : \underline{\underline{\Gamma}}^{(2)} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\perp \cdot \boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{(2)} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\perp + \boldsymbol{\Upsilon}^{(1)} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S} + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S} : \underline{\underline{\Upsilon}}^{(2)} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S} : \underline{\underline{\Phi}} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S ,
$$
(16)

<sup>222</sup> where,

$$
\Gamma_0 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{\Psi}_0(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} - \int_{0}^{\infty} \hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}}^S(\mathbf{x}) \epsilon^{0,S} d\mathbf{x} \n+ \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{0} \epsilon^{0,S} : \left[ \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^S(\mathbf{x}) - \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^S \right] : \epsilon^{0,S} d\mathbf{x} ,
$$
\n(17)

$$
\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}}^{S}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} - \int_{-\infty}^{0} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{0,S} : \left[ \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^{S}(\mathbf{x}) - \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^{S} \right] d\mathbf{x} , \qquad (18)
$$

$$
\underline{\underline{\underline{\Gamma}}}^{(2)} = \int_0^\infty \left[ \underline{\underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^S} \left( \mathbf{x} \right) - \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^S_+ \right] d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^0 \left[ \underline{\underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^S} \left( \mathbf{x} \right) - \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^S_- \right] d\mathbf{x}, \qquad (19)
$$

$$
\mathbf{\Upsilon}^{(1)} = -\int_{-\infty}^{0} \hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}}^{S}(\mathbf{x}) g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^{0} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{0,S} : \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^{S}(\mathbf{x}) g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} , \qquad (20)
$$

$$
\underline{\underline{\Upsilon}}^{(2)} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^{S} (\mathbf{x}) g^{2} (\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} , \qquad (21)
$$

$$
\Lambda^{(2)} = \int_0^\infty \left[ \mathbb{M}^\perp \left( \mathbf{x} \right) - \mathbb{M}^\perp_+ \right] d\mathbf{x} + \int_0^\infty \left[ \mathbb{M}^\perp \left( \mathbf{x} \right) - \mathbb{M}^\perp_- \right] d\mathbf{x} , \tag{22}
$$

$$
\underline{\underline{\Phi}} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^{S}(\mathbf{x}) g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} . \qquad (23)
$$

 $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ax}$ ;  $\left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \langle x, \Delta_n \rangle\right]$  (17)<br>  $\Gamma^{(1)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ax}$ ;  $\left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \langle x \rangle - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \right] dx$ , (18)<br>  $\Gamma^{(2)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ax}$ ;  $\left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \langle x \rangle - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \right] dx$ , (19)<br>  $\Gamma^{(2)} = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left$ 223 Note that, even though the range of the integrals defined in equations  $(17)–(23)$ <sup>224</sup> is infinite, the convergence of these integrals is satisfied. Indeed  $\hat{\tau}^S(\mathbf{x})$  and  $g(\mathbf{x})$ <sup>225</sup> both vanish far away from the interface so that the integrals only need to be car-<sup>226</sup> ried out over a finite thickness in the interphase region (see Fig. 1(b) and Fig. 2). <sup>227</sup> Equation (16) expresses the interfacial excess energy as a function of the in-plane 228 strain  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S$ , the transverse stress  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp}$  and the interfacial mismatch  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S}$ . As illustrated <sup>229</sup> in equation (24), note the explicit dependence and correction of the residual inter- $230$  facial excess energy Γ<sub>0</sub> and some of the interfacial elastic tensors due to the state of 231 coherency of the interface through the eigenstrain  $\epsilon^{0,S}$  and the short range function 232  $g(\mathbf{x})$ :

$$
\Gamma\big|_{\epsilon^S=0,\sigma^{\perp}=0} = \Gamma^* = \Gamma_0 + \Upsilon^{(1)} : \epsilon^{m,S} + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon^{m,S} : \underline{\Upsilon}^{(2)} : \epsilon^{m,S} . \tag{24}
$$

#### <sup>233</sup> *3.3. In-plane interfacial excess stress*

<sup>234</sup> We now define the in-plane interfacial excess stress by decomposing the second <sup>235</sup> Piola-Kirchhoff stress tensor in its in-plane component and transverse component 236 (see equation  $(B.9)$  in Appendix B), so that we obtain

$$
\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{S}(\mathbf{x}) = \hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}}^{S}(\mathbf{x}) + \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}^{S}}(\mathbf{x}) : \left[\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{*,S}(\mathbf{x})\right] + \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} \cdot \underline{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}) . \tag{25}
$$

<sup>237</sup> Furthermore in the bulk of medium "+" and medium "-",

$$
\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{+}^{S} = \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}_{+}^{S} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{+}^{S} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} \cdot \underline{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{+}, \qquad (26)
$$

$$
\boldsymbol{\sigma}^S_- = \underline{\underline{\mathbb{C}}^S} : (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S_- - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{0,S}) + \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\perp \cdot \underline{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} \ . \tag{27}
$$

 $_{238}$  Again equations (26) and (27) are the result of having medium "+" as the reference <sup>239</sup> medium. Following ?, we can define the (second Piola-Kirchhoff) interfacial excess <sup>240</sup> stress by,

$$
\Sigma^{S} = \int_{0}^{\infty} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{S}(\mathbf{x}) - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{+}^{S}) d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^{0} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{S}(\mathbf{x}) - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{-}^{S}) d\mathbf{x} . \qquad (28)
$$

241 It results from strain compatibility  $({\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}^S={\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}^S_+={\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}^S_-)$ , traction continuity  $({\boldsymbol{\sigma}}^\perp={\boldsymbol{\sigma}}^\perp_+={\boldsymbol{\sigma}}^\perp_+$ <sup>242</sup>  $\sigma^{\perp}$  and equations (25)–(27) that,

$$
\Sigma^{S} = \Gamma^{(1)} - \underline{\Phi} : \epsilon^{m, S} + \underline{\Gamma}^{(2)} : \epsilon^{S} + \sigma^{\perp} \cdot \mathbb{H} , \qquad (29)
$$

<sup>243</sup> where  $\Gamma^{(1)}$ ,  $\underline{\Gamma}^{(2)}$ ,  $\underline{\Phi}$  are given by equations (18)–(23) and  $\underline{\mathbb{H}}$  reads

$$
\underline{\mathbb{H}} = \int_0^\infty \left[ \underline{\gamma} \left( \mathbf{x} \right) - \underline{\gamma}_+ \right] d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^0 \left[ \underline{\gamma} \left( \mathbf{x} \right) - \underline{\gamma}_- \right] d\mathbf{x} . \tag{30}
$$

an Piola-Kirchhoff stress tensor in its in-plane component and transverse component<br>  $m$  (see equation (1.9) in Appendix B), so that we obtain<br>  $\sigma^S(\mathbf{x}) = \tau^S(\mathbf{x}) + \underline{C}^S(\mathbf{x})$ :  $[\epsilon^S - \epsilon^{*S}(\mathbf{x})] + \sigma^4 \cdot \underline{\gamma}(\mathbf{x})$ . (25 <sup>244</sup> The first term  $\Gamma^{(1)}$  represents the internal residual excess stress of the interface. This <sup>245</sup> component of the surface stress exists even when a remote interfacial deformation <sup>246</sup> is absent. Note that two factors contribute to this residual surface stress (see equa-<sup>247</sup> tion (18)). One can be attributed to the pure elastic behavior of the interface (see

as pling between the state of coherency, the change in molar volume between the two<br>
as media and the elastic stiffness of the interface (see term  $\mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{k}}$  in equation (18)). The<br>
an term **2** describes the intrinsic <sup>248</sup> term in  $\hat{\tau}^S$  in equation (18)). This contribution has been discussed and derived in a <sup>249</sup> similar fashion by others (??). The second contribution can be ascribed to the cou-<sup>250</sup> pling between the state of coherency, the change in molar volume between the two 251 media and the elastic stiffness of the interface (see term in  $\epsilon^{0,S}$  in equation (18)). The  $252$  term  $\Phi$  describes the intrinsic coupling between the surface stress and the structural <sup>253</sup> interfacial mismatch. The third term  $\underline{\Gamma}^{(2)}$  represents the interface in-plane elastic  $_{254}$  stiffness tensor, while the tensor  $\mathbb{H}$  measures the Poisson's effect of the interface in <sup>255</sup> the direction normal to the interface. Note that the interface coherency does not af-<sup>256</sup> fect the surface stiffness (surface elastic tensors  $\underline{\Gamma}^{(2)}$  and  $\underline{\mathbb{H}}$ ), but does have an effect <sup>257</sup> on the residual surface stress  $\Gamma^{(1)}$  and the coupling with the structural mismatch  $\underline{\Phi}$ . <sup>258</sup> As such the first two terms of equation (29) could be viewed as a correction to the <sup>259</sup> coherent residual surface stress due to the mismatch at the interface, while the last <sup>260</sup> two terms are solely due to the elastic stiffness and compliance of the interface.

#### <sup>261</sup> *3.4. Transverse interfacial excess strain*

<sup>262</sup> Similarly, if we consider the transverse interfacial excess strain by decompos-<sup>263</sup> ing the transverse Lagrangian strain according to the "T-decomposition" (see equa- $_{264}$  tion (B.7) in Appendix B), we get,

$$
\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\perp}(\mathbf{x}) = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\perp,*}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbb{M}^{\perp}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}^{\perp}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbb{M}^{\perp}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} - \underline{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}) : \left[\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{*,S}(\mathbf{x})\right] . \tag{31}
$$

<sup>265</sup> with the transverse strain in the bulk of each medium given by,

$$
\epsilon_+^{\perp} = \mathbb{M}_+^{\perp} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} - \underline{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_+ : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S , \qquad (32)
$$

$$
\epsilon_{-}^{\perp} = \epsilon^{\perp,0} + \mathbb{M}_{-}^{\perp} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} - \underline{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{-} : (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{0,S}) . \qquad (33)
$$

 $266$  Here again equations (32) and (33) are the result of having medium "+" as the <sup>267</sup> reference medium.

<sup>268</sup> The excess transverse interfacial strain is defined by,

−∞

$$
\Delta^{\perp} = \int_0^{\infty} (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\perp}(\mathbf{x}) - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\perp}_+) d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^0 (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\perp}(\mathbf{x}) - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\perp}_-) d\mathbf{x} , \qquad (34)
$$

<sup>269</sup> which becomes,

$$
\mathbf{\Delta}^{\perp} = \mathbf{\Lambda}^{(1)} + \mathbb{\underline{K}} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{(2)} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} - \mathbb{\underline{H}} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S} , \qquad (35)
$$

<sup>270</sup> with the tensors  $\Lambda^{(1)}$  and  $\underline{\mathbb{K}}$  defined by,

$$
\Lambda^{(1)} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} (\epsilon^{\perp,*} (\mathbf{x}) - \epsilon^{\perp,0}) + (\gamma(\mathbf{x}) - \gamma_{-}) : \epsilon^{0,S} d\mathbf{x}
$$
  
- 
$$
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} M^{\perp} (\mathbf{x}) \cdot \tau^{\perp} (\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} , \qquad (36)
$$
  

$$
\mathbb{K} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} . \qquad (37)
$$

so which becomes,<br>  $\Delta^i = A^{(1)} + K : e^{mS} + A^{(2)} \cdot \sigma^i = \mathbb{H} : e^S$ , (35)<br>
we with the tensors  $A^{(j)}$  and K defined by,<br>  $A^{(1)} = \int_{-\infty}^0 (e^{-x} \cdot (x) - e^{1/3}) + (\gamma(x) - \gamma_{-}) : e^{0.5} dx$ <br>  $= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} M^{+}(x) \cdot \tau^{+}(x) dx$ , (36)<br>  $= \int_{-\infty}^$ 271 The transverse interfacial excess strain tensor  $\Delta^{\perp}$  measures the interfacial excess 272 deformation in the direction transverse to the interface. The first term  $\Lambda^{(1)}$  repre- sents the part of transverse interfacial deformation that exists even when a remote interfacial deformation is absent. Its physical interpretation could be viewed as an "intrinsic relaxed thickness" of the interface as compared with an interface which would retain a perfect bulk lattice arrangement up to the dividing surface. Similarly to the residual surface stress, two elements compose the "intrinsic relaxed thickness" of the interface. One comes from the elastic transverse compliance across the interface (see term in  $\mathbb{M}^{\perp}$  in equation (36)) and the other stems from the coupling between the interface elastic behavior and the interface state of coherency (see term <sup>281</sup> in  $\epsilon^{0,S}$  in equation (36)). The tensor  $\Lambda^{(2)}$  describes the transverse compliance of the 282 interface, while the tensor  $K$  represents the coupling between the transverse loading and the structural mismatch at the interface. Analogously to the remarks made for the in-plane interfacial excess stress, note that the first two terms of equation (35) could be viewed as a correction to the "intrinsic relaxed thickness" for a coherent

<sup>286</sup> interface due to the mismatch at the interface, while the surface coherency does not <sup>287</sup> affect the interface elastic compliance (tensor  $\Lambda^{(2)}$ ).

#### <sup>288</sup> *3.5. Generalized Shuttleworth relationship*

 Based on the thermodynamic derivations presented above, the generalized form of the Shuttleworth relationship for a mismatched interface can be obtained. By combining equations (11) with equations (16) and (29), the relation between the <sup>292</sup> coherent surface stress  $\Sigma^S$  and the interfacial energy Γ is given by,

$$
\Sigma^{S} = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \epsilon^{S}} \bigg|_{\epsilon^{m,S}, \sigma^{\perp}} + \sigma^{\perp} \cdot \mathbb{H} \,, \tag{38}
$$

293 while the relation between the interfacial strain  $\Delta^{\perp}$  and the interfacial energy  $\Gamma$  is  $_{294}$  simply obtained by combining equations (11) with equations (16) and (35) such that,

$$
\mathbb{D}^{\perp} = \mathbf{\Delta}^{\perp} - \mathbf{\Lambda}^{(1)} = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \sigma^{\perp}} \bigg|_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m, S}} - \mathbb{H} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{S} + \mathbb{K} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m, S} . \tag{39}
$$

m 3.5. Generations distutions<br>of its minimal derivation spectral above, the generalized form<br>we of the Sunteneutrin relationship in a minimate induced above, the generalized form<br>we of the Sunteneutrin relationship for a <sup>295</sup> Note that equations (38) and (39) are consistent with that of ? in the above equa-<sup>296</sup> tion (1) and reduce to the original formulation of Shuttleworth-Herring when  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\perp} = 0$ <sup>297</sup> and  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S} = 0$ . The term  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{(1)} + \underline{\mathbb{K}} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S}$  corresponds to a correction due to the struc-<sup>298</sup> ture of the interface (through the mismatch strain) to the intrinsic "relaxation width" <sup>299</sup> of the interface accounting for the relative movement between the top and bottom 300 "surfaces" of the interfacial region, even when  $\sigma^{\perp} = 0$  and  $\epsilon^{S} = 0$  (i.e., when the <sup>301</sup> remote traction the in-plane strain vanishes). Additionally, the coherent residual <sup>302</sup> surface stress comprises a correction due to (i) the change in molar volume between 303 medium "+" and medium "-" through the eigenstrain  $\epsilon^{0,S}$  in the two-dimensional <sup>304</sup> tensor  $\Gamma^{(1)}$  and (ii) the intrinsic misfit structural coupling through the tensor  $\underline{\Phi}$ .

<sup>305</sup> Finally, by integrating the interfacial power density of internal forces in equa- $\frac{306}{10}$  tion (11) in conjunction with equation (16) and equations (38) and (39) such that,

$$
\Gamma = \int \left[ \Sigma^S : d\epsilon^S + \left( \Delta^{\perp} - \Lambda^{(1)} \right) \cdot d\sigma^{\perp} + \Upsilon^S : d\epsilon^{m,S} \right] , \qquad (40)
$$

<sup>307</sup> we obtain a complementary Shuttleworth equation relating the incoherent surface 308 stress  $\Upsilon^S$  to the interfacial excess energy  $\Gamma$  such that,

$$
\Upsilon^{S} = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \epsilon^{m,S}} \bigg|_{\epsilon^{S}, \sigma^{\perp}} - \sigma^{\perp} \cdot \underline{\mathbb{K}} + \underline{\underline{\Phi}} : \epsilon^{S} . \tag{41}
$$

 $\label{eq:4.1} \mathbf{T}^0=\frac{\alpha}{\rho_{\rm crit}}-\sigma^1\cdot\mathbf{K}+\Phi:\epsilon^2\cdot\epsilon^3\qquad(41)$ <br>so All together, equations (38), (39) and (41) constitute the generalized Shuttleworth<br>as relationship for incoherent interfaces. The coherent surface stress All together, equations (38), (39) and (41) constitute the generalized Shuttleworth 310 relationship for incoherent interfaces. The coherent surface stress  $\Sigma^S$  and the trans-<sup>311</sup> verse excess strain  $\Delta^{\perp}$  represent the thermodynamic driving forces deforming the 312 interface while the incoherent surface stress  $\Upsilon^S$  represents the driving force of stretch- ing one crystal while holding the other fixed and therefore altering the structure of the interface. This generalized formulation not only accounts for the three-dimensional nature of the interface in a Gibbsian sense (2D mathematical object as opposed to an interphase model) but also explicitly considers its interfacial structure. The three thermodynamics quantities described above fully characterize the elastic behavior of coherent and incoherent interfaces under general loading conditions. The extension to curved interfaces will be briefly discussed in section 3.6.

<sup>320</sup> Several differences between the present formulation and that of ? are observed.  $E_{21}$  Equation (41) is consistent with the incoherent stress introduced in ? when  $\sigma^{\perp} = 0$ and  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S = 0$ . The absence of the in-plane strain in their formulation is essentially due 323 to the fact that they expanded the excess free energy  $\Gamma$  in terms of  $\epsilon^S$  and  $\epsilon^{m,S}$  only <sup>324</sup> to the first order (no surface elasticity).

<sup>325</sup> From a surface stress point of view, three major differences need to be noted. <sup>326</sup> First, the coherent and incoherent surface stresses derived in equations (29), (38)  $327$  and (41) reduce in the case of ? to the residual surface stresses such that,

$$
\Sigma_{CL}^{S} = \Gamma^{(1)} \quad \text{and} \quad \Upsilon_{CL}^{S} = \Upsilon^{(1)} \tag{42}
$$

<sup>328</sup> where the subscript "CL" denotes the ? formulation. Second, the expression for the  $\mathbb{R}^{(1)}$  in ? does not account for the contribution attributed to <sup>330</sup> the coupling between the state of coherency, the change in molar volume between <sup>331</sup> the two media and the elastic stiffness of the interface (see second integral in equa-<sup>332</sup> tion (18)). Finally neither the intrinsic coupling between the surface stress and the 333 structural interfacial mismatch (tensor  $\underline{\Phi}$ ) nor the transverse interfacial behavior 334 (tensors  $\mathbb{D}^{\perp}$ ,  $\underline{\mathbb{H}}$  and  $\underline{\mathbb{K}}$ ) are accounted for.

<sup>335</sup> From an interfacial energy point of view, the interfacial power density derived in  $_{336}$  equation (11) simplifies in the case of ? to,

$$
p_{CL}^S = \Gamma^{(1)} : \dot{\epsilon}^S + \Upsilon^{(1)} : \dot{\epsilon}^{m,S} \t{,} \t(43)
$$

337 in which neither the surface elasticity  $(\underline{\Gamma}^{(2)})$  nor the couplings both in terms of struc-<sup>338</sup> tural mismatch and transverse behavior are accounted for (see equation (29)). This 339 simplification makes the interfacial excess energy  $\Gamma_{CL}$  simply quadratic in terms of 340 the in-plane surface strain  $\epsilon^{S}$  and mismatch strain  $\epsilon^{m,S}$ , while it is shown in equa-<sup>341</sup> tion (16) that the evolution of the interfacial excess energy as a function of the loading <sup>342</sup> path  $(\epsilon^S, \sigma^{\perp})$  and the structural mismatch strain  $\epsilon^{m,S}$  is not that straightforward.

#### <sup>343</sup> *3.6. Discussion on the equilibrium condition of incoherent curved interfaces*

m ion (18)). Finally noticer the intrinsic coupling between the surface stress and the<br>
m structural interfactal mixinal functor  $\Phi$ ) nor the transverse interfactal behavior<br>  $\mathbf{r}$  (tensors  $D^{\perp}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf$  We have intentionally limited ourselves to planar interfaces between two semi- infinite media when dealing with surface excess stresses and surface excess strain in the formulation described above. However, in quite a few practical engineering applications (e.g. composites reinforced with nanoparticles), interfaces can be curved surfaces, not planar. In that case, and in the limit where the interface characteristic length scale is much smaller than the interface radius of curvature, the constitutive relationships describing the interface behavior not only need to account for the in- plane and transverse behavior (i.e. interfacial Poisson's effect) as well as the interface structural mismatch (as it is described in this manuscript), but also the intrinsic

 flexural resistance. As mentioned in section 1, few models have been presented in the literature to account for the flexural stiffness (????). In this context, the interfacial excess energy is a function of the local in-plane deformation and also comprises a dependence on the curvature introducing an intrinsic flexural resistance of the interface. As described very recently in ?, the interfacial power density of internal forces for curved interfaces takes the form,

$$
p^S = \Sigma^S : \dot{\epsilon}^S + \mathbf{M}^S : \dot{\boldsymbol{\kappa}} \tag{44}
$$

m interfacial excess energy is a function of the local in-plane deformation and also<br>
so mapprises a dependence on the curvature introducing an interinsic flexural resistance<br>
so for the interface. As described very recen 359 where  $M^S$  is the interface bending moment conjugate of the relative curvature  $\kappa$ . While accounting for the curvature dependence, these interfacial flexural formulations do not account for the interfacial mismatch or the interfacial transverse behavior (see equation (11)). For curved interfaces, the present formulation would need to include the last term of equation (44) and the interfacial kinematics presented in section 2 would need to be revisited in order to account for the curvature dependence (see for example section 2.2 in ?). Additionally, as discussed elsewhere (see equation (5.76) in ?), due to the "T-decomposition" used in the present formulation, supplemental conditions for the displacement jump across the curved mismatched interface would need to be considered. In other words, an additional incoherent thermodynamic driving force (which could be called the incoherent interfacial bending moment) cor- responding to flexural deformation of the interface would need to be introduced for curved interfaces. Such an extension of the formulation is beyond the scope of the present manuscript but will be presented in a subsequent study by the authors.

 Besides the constitutive relationships describing the interface behavior, the equi- librium condition of curved coherent interfaces is expressed by the generalized Young- Laplace equation and describes the equilibrium relationship between the interface (coherent) stress and the stress in the bulk. For incoherent mismatched curved m which would depend on<br>b on the interface strains (coherent and incollected) but<br>as above on the interface eurawine (ii) the elastic strain energy of the bulk, which would<br>m include the residual clastic field induced by interfaces, the principle of minimum potential energy can be used to derive the gen- eralized Young-Laplace equation by accounting for (i) the interfacial excess energy, which would depend not only on the interface strains (coherent and incoherent) but also on the interface curvature; (ii) the elastic strain energy of the bulk, which would include the residual elastic field induced by the interfacial excess energy and eigen- strains due to the mismatch across the interface; and (iii) the potential of the external loads. The generalized Young-Laplace equation will also be complemented by the displacement jump condition described in the above paragraph. Again, such an ex- tension of the formulation is beyond the scope of the present manuscript but will be presented in the aforementioned study by the authors. Such a paradigm could be used to fully describe heterogeneous solids containing incoherent curved interfaces and inhomogeneities.

#### 4. Interfacial isotropic elasticity formulation

 As an illustration of the general formulation presented above, we consider in this section a special case in which both semi-infinite crystals are isotropic elastic materials with the following bulk elastic moduli,

$$
\mathbb{C}_{ijkl,\pm} = \lambda_{\pm} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu_{\pm} \left( \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk} \right) . \tag{45}
$$

 Using the "T-decomposition" derived in Appendix B through equations (B.8) and (B.10) along with equation (45), we obtain the following expressions for the elastic tensors characterizing the behavior of the bulk phases in the case of elastic <sup>396</sup> isotropic materials,

$$
C_{3k3j,\pm} = (\lambda_{\pm} + \mu_{\pm}) \, \delta_{3k} \delta_{3j} + \mu_{\pm} \delta_{kj} \,, \tag{46}
$$

$$
\mathbb{M}_{kj,\pm} = -\frac{\lambda_{\pm} + \mu_{\pm}}{(\lambda_{\pm} + 2\mu_{\pm})\,\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{3k} \delta_{3j} + \frac{1}{\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{kj} \,, \tag{47}
$$

$$
\gamma_{i\alpha\beta,\pm} = \frac{\lambda_{\pm}}{\lambda_{\pm} + 2\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{3i} \delta_{\alpha\beta} , \qquad (48)
$$

$$
\mathbb{C}^{S}_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda,\pm} = \frac{2\lambda_{\pm}\mu_{\pm}}{\lambda_{\pm} + 2\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{\alpha\beta}\delta_{\kappa\lambda} + \mu_{\pm} (\delta_{\alpha\kappa}\delta_{\beta\lambda} + \delta_{\alpha\lambda}\delta_{\beta\kappa}) \tag{49}
$$

$$
\hat{\tau}^{S}_{\alpha\beta,\pm} = \tau^{S}_{\alpha\beta} - \tau^{I}_{3} \frac{\lambda_{\pm}}{\lambda_{\pm} + 2\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \,. \tag{50}
$$

## <sup>397</sup> *4.1. In-plane interfacial excess stress*

398 Regarding the in-plane interfacial excess stress  $\Sigma^S$ , by using equations (28)  $399$  and  $(46)–(50)$ , we immediately find

$$
\Sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{S} = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)} - \Phi_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda}\epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{m,S} + \Gamma_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda}^{(2)}\epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{S} + \sigma_{i}^{\perp}\mathbb{H}_{i\alpha\beta} , \qquad (51)
$$

 $_{\rm 400}$  –with the elastic surface tensors defined by,

$$
\mathbb{M}_{kj,\pm} = -\frac{\lambda_{\pm} + \mu_{\pm}}{(\lambda_{\pm} + 2\mu_{\pm})\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{3k}\delta_{3j} + \frac{1}{\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{kj},
$$
\n
$$
\gamma_{i\alpha\beta,\pm} = \frac{\lambda_{\pm}}{\lambda_{\pm} + 2\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{3k}\delta_{\alpha\beta},
$$
\n
$$
\mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda,\pm}^S = \frac{2\lambda_{\pm}\mu_{\pm}}{\lambda_{\pm} + 2\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{\alpha\beta}\delta_{\kappa\lambda} + \mu_{\pm} (\delta_{\alpha\kappa}\delta_{\beta\lambda} + \delta_{\alpha\lambda}\delta_{\beta\kappa}),
$$
\n(49)\n
$$
\hat{\tau}_{\alpha\beta,\pm}^S = \tau_{\alpha\beta}^S - \tau_{3}^{\perp} \frac{\lambda_{\pm}}{\lambda_{\pm} + 2\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{\alpha\beta}.
$$
\n(50)\n
$$
\hat{\tau}_{\alpha\beta,\pm}^S = \tau_{\alpha\beta}^S - \tau_{3}^{\perp} \frac{\lambda_{\pm}}{\lambda_{\pm} + 2\mu_{\pm}} \delta_{\alpha\beta}.
$$
\n(51)\n
$$
\text{and } (46) - (50), \text{ we immediately find}
$$
\n
$$
\sum_{\alpha\beta}^S = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)} - \Phi_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda}\epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{m,S} + \Gamma_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda}^{(2)} \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^S + \sigma_{i}^{\perp} \mathbb{H}_{\alpha\beta} ,
$$
\n(51)\n
$$
\text{with the elastic surface tensors defined by,}
$$
\n
$$
\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\sigma_{\alpha\beta}^S(\mathbf{x}) - \frac{\tau_{3}^{\perp}(\mathbf{x}) \lambda(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \right] d\mathbf{x}
$$
\n
$$
- \int_{-\infty}^0 \left[ \frac{2\lambda(\mathbf{x}) \mu(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} \frac{2\
$$

$$
\Gamma_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda}^{(2)} = \lambda^S \delta_{\alpha\beta} \delta_{\kappa\lambda} + \mu^S \left( \delta_{\alpha\kappa} \delta_{\beta\lambda} + \delta_{\alpha\lambda} \delta_{\beta\kappa} \right) , \qquad (53)
$$

$$
\mathbb{H}_{i\alpha\beta} = \frac{2K^S \nu^S}{E^{\perp}} \delta_{3i} \delta_{\alpha\beta} , \qquad (54)
$$

$$
\Phi_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \left[ \frac{2\lambda(\mathbf{x})\,\mu(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} \delta_{\alpha\beta}\delta_{\kappa\lambda} + \mu(\mathbf{x}) \left( \delta_{\alpha\kappa}\delta_{\beta\lambda} + \delta_{\alpha\lambda}\delta_{\beta\kappa} \right) \right] g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} . \tag{55}
$$

<sup>401</sup> Taking equations (52)−(55) together with equation (51) gives the in-plane inter-<sup>402</sup> facial excess stress as follows

$$
\Sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{S} = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)} - \lambda^{*,S} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{m,S} - 2\mu^{*,S} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{m,S} + \lambda^{S} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{S} + 2\mu^{S} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{S} + \frac{2K^{S}\nu^{S}}{E^{\perp}} \sigma_{3}^{\perp} \delta_{\alpha\beta} , \quad (56)
$$

<sup>403</sup> where the two new terms compared to ? are the ones containing the in-plane struc-<sup>404</sup> tural mismatch embodied by  $\epsilon^{m,S}_{\alpha\beta}$ . In the case of coherent interfaces, i.e.  $\epsilon^{m,S}_{\alpha\beta} = 0$ , <sup>405</sup> following ?, the formulation developed by ? would be sufficient only if both mate-<sup>406</sup> rials have same stress-free molar volumes for which  $\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{0,S}$  vanishes. In equation (54),  $K^S = \lambda^S + \mu^S$  and the surface elastic constants are defined by,

$$
\mu^{S} = \int_{0}^{\infty} (\mu(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_{+}) d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^{0} (\mu(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_{-}) d\mathbf{x},
$$
(57)  

$$
\lambda^{S} = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2\lambda(\mathbf{x}) \mu(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} - \frac{2\lambda_{+} \mu_{+}}{\lambda_{+} + 2\mu_{+}} \right) d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^{0} \left( \frac{2\lambda(\mathbf{x}) \mu(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} - \frac{2\lambda_{-} \mu_{-}}{\lambda_{-} + 2\mu_{-}} \right) d\mathbf{x},
$$
(58)

$$
\mu^{*,S} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \mu(\mathbf{x}) g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}, \qquad (59)
$$

$$
\lambda^{*,S} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \frac{2\lambda(\mathbf{x})\,\mu(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}, \qquad (60)
$$

$$
\frac{2K^{S}\nu^{S}}{E^{\perp}} = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\lambda(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} - \frac{\lambda_{+}}{\lambda_{+} + 2\mu_{+}} \right) d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^{0} \left( \frac{\lambda(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} - \frac{\lambda_{-}}{\lambda_{-} + 2\mu_{-}} \right) d\mathbf{x} . \tag{61}
$$

<sup>408</sup> Through this exercise several points are noteworthy:

as following 7, the formulation developed by 7 would be sufficient early if both mate-<br>
ac risks have same stress free molar volumes for which  $\epsilon_{ab}^2$  vanishes. In equation (54),<br>
ac  $K^S - \lambda^S + \mu^S$  and the surface clus • In equation (56),  $\lambda^S$  and  $\mu^S$ , which could be defined as the surface Lamé <sup>410</sup> constants, are consistent (in terms of their definition and analytical expressions) <sup>411</sup> with other classical formulations derived by many authors for surface stress in <sup>412</sup> solids (??????).

<sup>413</sup> ● The effective transverse surface "Poisson's ratio"  $2K^S \nu^S / E^{\perp}$  in equation (61) <sup>414</sup> is consistent with the formulation for an interface containing no mismatch and <sup>415</sup> stress-free strains (?).

• The present formulation introduces two new surface constants  $\mu^{*,S}$  and  $\lambda^{*,S}$ 416 <sup>417</sup> defined in equations (59)−(60). These constants are solely related to the interfacial incoherency and the in-plane structural mismatch strain  $\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{m,S}$  and correspond to a correction to the interfacial residual stress  $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)}$ . To our knowledge, <sup>420</sup> their expressions and physical origins are presented for the first time in the <sup>421</sup> literature.

<sup>422</sup> With this in mind, the in-plane interfacial excess stress components yield

$$
\Sigma_{11}^{S} = \Gamma_{11}^{(1)} - \lambda^{*,S} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{m,S} - 2\mu^{*,S} \epsilon_{11}^{m,S} + \lambda^{S} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{S} + 2\mu^{S} \epsilon_{11}^{S} + \frac{2K^{S}\nu^{S}}{E^{\perp}} \sigma_{3}^{\perp} \,, \tag{62}
$$

$$
\Sigma_{22}^S = \Gamma_{22}^{(1)} - \lambda^{*,S} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{m,S} - 2\mu^{*,S} \epsilon_{22}^{m,S} + \lambda^S \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^S + 2\mu_S \epsilon_{22}^S + \frac{2K^S \nu^S}{E^\perp} \sigma_3^\perp , \qquad (63)
$$

$$
\Sigma_{12}^S = \Gamma_{12}^{(1)} - 2\mu^{*,S} \epsilon_{12}^{m,S} + 2\mu^S \epsilon_{12}^S \,. \tag{64}
$$

an facial incolarency and the in-plane structural mismatch strain  $\epsilon_{ab}^{eq}$  and corre-<br>
as spend to a correction to the interfacial reddual stress  $\Gamma_{ab}^{eq}$ . To our knowledge,<br>
as their expressions and physical origins <sup>423</sup> Thus, from equations (62)–(64),  $\mu^S$  and  $\mu^{*,S}$  are in-plane interfacial shear moduli as-<sup>424</sup> sociated with in-plane interfacial shear strain  $\epsilon_{12}^S$  and in-plane incoherent mismatched 425 shear strain  $\epsilon_{12}^{m,S}$  respectively. The surface elastic moduli  $\lambda^S$  and  $\lambda^{*,S}$  are in-plane <sup>426</sup> interfacial Lam´e constants. Furthermore, the in-plane biaxial hydrostatic stress is <sup>427</sup> given by  $\Sigma_{\alpha\alpha}^{S}/2$  where

$$
\Sigma_{\alpha\alpha}^S = \Gamma_{\alpha\alpha}^{(1)} - 2K^{*,S}\epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{m,S} + 2K^S\epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^S + \frac{4K^S\nu^S}{E^\perp}\sigma_3^\perp \,,\tag{65}
$$

<sup>428</sup> where  $K^{S*} = \mu^{*,S} + \lambda^{*,S}$  can be interpreted as the in-plane bi-axial surface modulus of <sup>429</sup> the incoherent interface associated with the structural mismatch (or deviation from 430 coherency)  $\epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{m,S}$ .

### <sup>431</sup> *4.2. Transverse interfacial excess strain*

<sup>432</sup> Regarding the transverse interfacial excess strain, using equations (35) along  $\mu_{433}$  with  $(46)–(50)$ , we find the interfacial excess strain,

$$
\Delta_i^{\perp} = \Lambda_i^{(1)} + \mathbb{K}_{i\alpha\beta}\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{m,S} + \Lambda_{ij}^{(2)}\sigma_j^{\perp} - \mathbb{H}_{i\alpha\beta}\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{S} , \qquad (66)
$$

<sup>434</sup> with the transverse surface tensors defined by,

$$
\Lambda_{i}^{(1)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\lambda(x) + \mu(x)}{(\lambda(x) + 2\mu(x))\mu(x)} \delta_{3i}\tau_{3}^{1}(x) - \frac{1}{\mu(x)}\tau_{i}^{1}(x) \right] dx \n+ \int_{-\infty}^{0} \left[ \left( \frac{\lambda(x)}{\lambda(x) + 2\mu(x)} - \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - 1} \right) \delta_{3i}e_{\kappa\kappa}^{0.5} \right] dx \n+ \int_{-\infty}^{0} \left[ e_{i}^{1*}(x) - e_{i}^{10} \right] dx , \qquad (67) \n\Lambda_{ij}^{(2)} = \left( \frac{1}{E^{+}} - \frac{1}{\mu^{+}} - \frac{4K^{5}\nu^{5^{2}}}{E^{+2}} \right) \delta_{3i}\delta_{3j} + \frac{1}{\mu^{+}}\delta_{ij} , \qquad (68) \nK_{i\alpha\beta} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \frac{\lambda(x)}{\lambda(x) + 2\mu(x)} g(x) \delta_{3i}\delta_{\alpha\beta} dx . \qquad (69) \nas \qquad \text{Similarly to the formulation for the surface stress, taking equation (66) together\nas with the expressions for the transverse surface tensors yields\n
$$
\Delta_{i}^{\perp} = \Lambda_{i}^{(1)} + \frac{2K^{*,5}\nu^{*,S}}{E^{*,-}} \delta_{3i}\epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{ms} + \left( \frac{1}{E^{+}} - \frac{1}{\mu^{+}} - \frac{4K^{5}\nu^{5^{2}}}{E^{+2}} \right) \delta_{3i}\sigma_{3}^{+} + \frac{1}{\mu^{+}}\sigma_{i}^{+} - \frac{2K^{5}\nu^{5}}{E^{+}} \delta_{3i}\epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{s} , \qquad (70) \nas \text{ where the transverse elastic constant associated with the structural mismatch can\nas \text{ be defined as,} \n
$$
\frac{2K^{*,5}\nu^{*,S}}{E^{*,+}} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \frac{\lambda(x)}{\lambda(x) + 2\mu(x)} g(x) dx , \qquad (71) \n\text{and,} \n\frac{1}{\mu^{+}} = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{\mu(x)} -
$$
$$
$$

$$
\Lambda_{ij}^{(2)} = \left(\frac{1}{E^{\perp}} - \frac{1}{\mu^{\perp}} - \frac{4K^S \nu^{S2}}{E^{\perp 2}}\right) \delta_{3i} \delta_{3j} + \frac{1}{\mu^{\perp}} \delta_{ij} , \qquad (68)
$$

$$
\mathbb{K}_{i\alpha\beta} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \frac{\lambda(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} g(\mathbf{x}) \, \delta_{3i} \delta_{\alpha\beta} d\mathbf{x} \,. \tag{69}
$$

<sup>435</sup> Similarly to the formulation for the surface stress, taking equation (66) together <sup>436</sup> with the expressions for the transverse surface tensors yields

$$
\Delta_i^{\perp} = \Lambda_i^{(1)} + \frac{2K^{*,S}\nu^{*,S}}{E^{*,\perp}} \delta_{3i} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{m,S} + \left(\frac{1}{E^{\perp}} - \frac{1}{\mu^{\perp}} - \frac{4K^S\nu^{S^2}}{E^{\perp^2}}\right) \delta_{3i} \sigma_3^{\perp} + \frac{1}{\mu^{\perp}} \sigma_i^{\perp} - \frac{2K^S\nu^S}{E^{\perp}} \delta_{3i} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^S ,
$$
\n(70)

<sup>437</sup> where the transverse elastic constant associated with the structural mismatch can <sup>438</sup> be defined as,

$$
\frac{2K^{*,S}\nu^{*,S}}{E^{*,\perp}} = \int_{-\infty}^{0} \frac{\lambda(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} , \qquad (71)
$$

<sup>439</sup> and,

$$
\frac{1}{\mu^{\perp}} = \int_0^\infty \left[ \frac{1}{\mu(\mathbf{x})} - \frac{1}{\mu_{+}} \right] d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^0 \left[ \frac{1}{\mu(\mathbf{x})} - \frac{1}{\mu_{-}} \right] d\mathbf{x} , \quad (72)
$$

$$
\frac{1}{E^{\perp}} - \frac{4K^{S}\nu^{S^{2}}}{E^{\perp^{2}}} = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{+} + 2\mu_{+}} \right] d\mathbf{x} + \int_{-\infty}^{0} \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) + 2\mu(\mathbf{x})} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{-} + 2\mu_{-}} \right] d\mathbf{x} . \tag{73}
$$

<sup>440</sup> It follows that the components of the interfacial transverse excess strain can be

<sup>441</sup> expressed as,

$$
\Delta_1^{\perp} = \Lambda_1^{(1)} + \frac{1}{\mu^{\perp}} \sigma_1^{\perp} \,, \tag{74}
$$

$$
\Delta_2^{\perp} = \Lambda_2^{(1)} + \frac{1}{\mu^{\perp}} \sigma_2^{\perp} , \qquad (75)
$$

$$
\Delta_3^{\perp} = \Lambda_3^{(1)} + 2K^{*,S} \left( \frac{\nu^{*,S}}{E^{*,\perp}} - \frac{\nu^S}{E^{\perp}} \right) \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{m,S} + \frac{1}{E^{\perp}} \left( \sigma_3^{\perp} - \nu^S \left( \Sigma_{\alpha\alpha}^S - \Gamma_{\alpha\alpha}^{(1)} \right) \right) . \tag{76}
$$

<sup>442</sup> It is again noteworthy to point out that  $\Lambda_i^{(1)}$  and the second term in  $\Delta_3^{\perp}$  are <sup>443</sup> new when compared to ?. Their origin stems from the (stress-free) eigenstrains and structural mismatch for incoherent interfaces, i.e. for  $\epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{m,S} \neq 0$ .

#### <sup>445</sup> *4.3. Interfacial thermo-elastic properties*

 $\Delta_2^{\perp} = \Lambda_2^{(1)} + \frac{\mu^4}{\mu^4} \sigma_2^{\perp}$ , (75)<br>  $\Delta_3^{\perp} = \Lambda_3^{(1)} + 2K^{*.5} \left(\frac{\nu^{*,8}}{E^{*.1}} - \frac{\nu^8}{E^{*.1}}\right) c_{\text{ex}}^{\text{res}} + \frac{1}{E^{*}} \left(\sigma_3^{\perp} - \nu^5 \left(\Sigma_{\text{ex}}^5 - \Gamma_{\text{ex}}^{(i)}\right)\right)$ . (76)<br>
45 = A<sub>3</sub><sup>(i)</sup> + 2K<sup>+2</sup>  $\left(\frac{\nu$ <sup>446</sup> Of particular interest (see for example the Levin's formula and Hill's connections <sup>447</sup> problems in ?) is the case for which we assume that the interfacial incoherency is <sup>448</sup> due to thermal strains associated with an isotropic in-plane interfacial coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE) denoted  $\alpha^S$ , i.e.

$$
\epsilon^{m,S}_{\alpha\beta} = \alpha^S \delta_{\alpha\beta} \Delta T \tag{77}
$$

 $\Delta T$  is the temperature difference. In the bulk of both media, assuming an 451 isotropic CTE, the eigenstrain  $\epsilon^{0,S}$  can simply be expressed by,

$$
\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{0,S} = (\alpha_- - \alpha_+) \, \delta_{\alpha\beta} \Delta T \;, \tag{78}
$$

<sup>452</sup> where  $α_$  and  $α_+$  are the bulk CTEs for media "−" and "+" respectively while the 453 reference medium is assumed to be the medium " $+$ ".

<sup>454</sup> Thus, the expression for the isotropic surface stress in equation (56) reduces to

$$
\Sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{S} = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)} - d_0^* \delta_{\alpha\beta} \Delta T + \lambda^S \delta_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{S} + 2\mu^S \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{S} + \frac{2K^S \nu^S}{E^{\perp}} \sigma_3^{\perp} \delta_{\alpha\beta} , \qquad (79)
$$

<sup>455</sup> and,

$$
d_0^* = 2\left(\lambda^{*,S} + \mu^{*,S}\right)\alpha^S = 2K^{*,S}\alpha^S.
$$
\n(80)

 The present formulation sheds light on the in-plane thermal-mechanical connection of the interface and its elastic origin assuming a resulting incoherent interface due to temperature difference. This thermal-mechanical relationship is however different from that of ?? and ?. For instance, ? reported the following equation (see equation  $_{460}$  (3) in their paper):

$$
\Sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{S} = \lambda^{S} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^{S} + 2\mu^{S} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{S} - d_{0} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \Delta T , \qquad (81)
$$

as The present formulation sheds light on the in-plane thermal-mechanical connection<br>for of the interface and its clustic origin assuming a resulting incolocreat interface due<br>in to temperature difference. This thermal me <sup>461</sup> where  $d_0$  is assumed by the authors to be  $d_0 = 2(\lambda^S + \mu^S) \alpha^S$ . Several differences <sup>462</sup> are observed. First, the contribution of the residual surface stress  $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)}$  and the <sup>463</sup> contribution of the transverse stress are not taken into account in ?. This is due <sup>464</sup> to the choice of the interfacial constitutive behavior used in their paper. Second, <sup>465</sup> the contribution due to the interfacial mismatch through the term  $(\lambda^{*,S} + \mu^{*,S})$  (as 466 defined by our equations (59) and (60)) is arbitrarily taken as  $(\lambda^S + \mu^S)$  in ?. In <sup>467</sup> the present formulation, the interpretation of the thermal-mechanical connection  $d_0^*$  $d_0^*$  is unambiguously and explicitly associated with the structural mismatch at the <sup>469</sup> interface coming from temperature change. In turn, this can ultimately be related  $470$  to interfacial defects and associated deformation fields. This is not the case for  $d_0$ <sup>471</sup> in the formulation of ? which appears to be empirically introduced. Note here that <sup>472</sup> the thermo-elastic coupling is spatially defined at every vector position starting from  $473$   $\mathbf{x} = 0$  to a few atomic distance close to the interface in medium " $-$ ".

474 Additionally, to complete the description of the thermo-elasticity of the interface, <sup>475</sup> the interfacial constitutive behavior is also accompanied by equation (70) which <sup>476</sup> reduces to:

$$
\Delta_i^{\perp} = \Lambda_i^{(1)} + \frac{2d_0^*\nu^{*,S}}{E^{*,\perp}} \delta_{3i} \Delta T + \left(\frac{1}{E^{\perp}} - \frac{1}{\mu^{\perp}} - \frac{4K^S\nu^{S^2}}{E^{\perp^2}}\right) \delta_{3i} \sigma_3^{\perp} + \frac{1}{\mu^{\perp}} \sigma_i^{\perp} - \frac{2K^S\nu^S}{E^{\perp}} \delta_{3i} \epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^S. \tag{82}
$$

<sup>477</sup> In particular, the transverse excess strain along the normal to the interface is given <sup>478</sup> by,

$$
\Delta_3^{\perp} = \Lambda_3^{(1)} + \frac{2d_0^*\nu^{*,S}}{E^{*,\perp}}\Delta T + \frac{1}{E^{\perp}} \left(1 - \frac{4K^S\nu^{S^2}}{E^{\perp^2}}\right)\sigma_3^{\perp} - \frac{2K^S\nu^S}{E^{\perp}}\epsilon_{\kappa\kappa}^S. \tag{83}
$$

<sup>479</sup> Equations (82) and (83) are extensions of ? to thermo-elastic interfaces and were <sup>480</sup> not considered in the works of ?? and ?.

#### <sup>481</sup> *4.4. Insight on interfacial elasticity*

 $E^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{k^2} \frac{1}{k^$  An important point is raised in the sections above: deforming a coherent or incoherent interface does not always increase its interfacial excess energy. Indeed, the interfacial excess energy decreases if a deformation path reduces the interface coherent surface, the interfacial excess strain, or the interface incoherent stress. This assertion can have important consequences for problems in which the incorporation of interfacial properties play an important role (???). Indeed, the in-plane strain, transverse stress and mismatch strain can be considered as three process control variables (with the first two being associated with the deformation path and the latter one being associated with the interface structure) that can accentuate or minimize the role of interfacial elasticity.

<sup>492</sup> For instance, in the case of thermo-elasticity provided in section 4.3, the loading space for which the coherent surface stress  $\Sigma^S$  and the interfacial excess strain  $\Delta^{\perp}$ <sup>494</sup> vanish is of particular interest. Using equation (79) for the biaxial surface stress <sup>495</sup>  $(\epsilon_{11}^S = \epsilon_{22}^S = \epsilon^S)$  and equation (83) for the transverse interfacial excess strain, this 496 configuration would correspond to the loading path  $(\epsilon^S, \sigma^{\perp})$  satisfying the following <sup>497</sup> equation:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{c}\n\Gamma_{11}^{(1)} \\
\frac{2}{2} \\
\Lambda_3^{(1)}\n\end{array}\right] + \left[\begin{array}{cc}\n2K^S & \frac{2K^S\nu^S}{E^\perp} & -d_0^* \\
\frac{4K^S\nu^S}{E^\perp} & \frac{1}{E^\perp}\left(1 - \frac{4K^S\nu^{S^2}}{E^\perp^2}\right) & \frac{2d_0^*\nu^{*,S}}{E^{*,\perp}}\n\end{array}\right] \cdot \left[\begin{array}{c}\n\epsilon^S \\
\sigma^\perp \\
\Delta T\n\end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{c}\n0 \\
0\n\end{array}\right] . (84)
$$

Equation (84) can be parametrized to obtain the loading path line in the  $(\epsilon^S, \sigma^{\perp})$ 498 space as a function of the interfacial elastic constants  $(K^S, \nu^S, E^{\perp}, \nu^{*,S}, E^{*,\perp}, d_0^*)$ 499 500 and the temperature difference  $\Delta T$ . Clearly, this illustrates the concept that one <sup>501</sup> can construct a loading path that would minimize the impact of the interface on the <sup>502</sup> behavior of a material system separated by it or construct a loading path for which <sup>503</sup> the surface to volume ratio is significant.

#### $_{504}$  5. Illustration from atomistic simulations of Cu/Cu<sub>2</sub>O interfaces

 As discussed in the previous sections, the interfacial excess energy is a function of the in-plane surface strain, the transverse stress and the interface mismatch strain. In this section we illustrate the formulation developed above with examples based on atomistic simulations for incoherent interfaces between Cu and its oxide Cu<sub>2</sub>O under various loading configurations.

<sup>510</sup> *5.1. Atomistic model for Cu(111)/Cu*2*O(111) interface and simulation methodology*

 $\left[\begin{array}{c} \overline{A}^0_2 \\ \overline{A}^0_3 \end{array}\right] + \left[\begin{array}{c} -\frac{4K^2\phi^2}{E^2} & \frac{1}{E^4}\left(1-\frac{4K^2\phi^2}{E^2}\right)^2 \frac{2d_0^4e^{k_0\beta}}{E^{k_1}}\right]^{-1} \left[\begin{array}{c} a^+ \\ \overline{A}^0 \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 6 \\ 0 \end{array}\right] \cdot (84)$ <br> **Examplication (84)** can be paramet <sup>511</sup> To demonstrate the generalized formulation of a mismatched interface from a <sup>512</sup> discrete medium point of view, we consider as an example a flat incoherent interface  $_{513}$  between Cu and its oxide Cu<sub>2</sub>O. As shown in Fig. 3, the crystallographic orientation <sup>514</sup> used for the present atomistic simulations is chosen as the most probable observed  $_{515}$  interface between Cu and its oxide Cu<sub>2</sub>O (??????). As such, we consider Cu and  $\rm Cu_2O$  blocks oriented in the (111) direction when the interface is created. Note that <sup>517</sup> these surfaces are isotropic in the plane of the interface.

as developed by 2 is employed for the Cu metallic phase. The cross atomic interactions<br>
as between Cu and Cu<sub>2</sub>O is modeled through (i) a 9–6 Lemanusl Jones (LJ) potential<br>
an for the interaction between cooper metallic a The interatomic potential based on pairwise interactions proposed by ? is used  $_{519}$  to describe the Cu<sub>2</sub>O properties while the embedded-atom method (EAM) potential developed by ? is employed for the Cu metallic phase. The cross atomic interactions  $_{521}$  between Cu and Cu<sub>2</sub>O is modeled through (i) a 9–6 Lennard-Jones (LJ) potential for the interaction between copper metallic atoms and copper atoms from the oxide, and (ii) a Morse potential linking copper metallic atoms with the oxygen atoms. Note that there are two types of metallic bonds in this model: the Cu-Cu non-bond interaction in the copper oxide which is modeled by the 9−6 LJ potential and the Cu-Cu metallic bond modeled by EAM potential. The bond interaction between the oxygen and copper species defined by the Morse potential remains the same whether the Cu atoms belong either to the pure copper phase or the copper oxide compounds  $529$   $(?)$ .

 Various interfacial structural mismatches are considered by varying the overlap between the surface lattice vectors of each material during the matching process between both phases. Matching Cu and Cu<sub>2</sub>O blocks presents some issues in terms 533 of coherency since the Cu<sub>2</sub>O (111) unit cell ( $\ell_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}} = 6.04825 \text{ Å}$ ) is larger than the Cu 534 (111) unit cell  $(\ell_{Cu} = 2.5542 \text{ Å})$ . Following equation (6), in this atomistic context, the structural mismatch is simply defined as,

$$
\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{m,S} = 2 \frac{n\ell_{\text{Cu}} - m\ell_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}}{n\ell_{\text{Cu}} + m\ell_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \;, \tag{85}
$$

536 where  $\ell_{\rm Cu}$  and  $\ell_{\rm Cu_2O}$  are the lattice constants of Cu and Cu<sub>2</sub>O respectively and  $(n,m)$ <sup>537</sup> are scaling factors (taken as integers) used to obtain various mismatch strains. To  $\mu$ <sub>538</sub> minimize the structural mismatch, several sets of couple  $(m, n)$  have been chosen <sup>539</sup> such that the overall strain is small when the interface is formed.

<sup>540</sup> The interface model dimensions and mismatch strains simulated are summarized <sup>541</sup> in Table 1. A typical computation cell contains on average 20,000 atoms composed  of  $N_{\text{Cu}}$  atoms in the Cu phase and  $N_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}$  atoms in the Cu<sub>2</sub>O phase. Periodic bound- ary conditions are used in all directions. Note that the use of periodic boundary conditions in the transverse direction implicitly introduces a second interface at the edge of the calculation box with an identical structure as the interface located at the  $_{546}$  center of atomic assembly. Dimensions of the simulation box  $(W, D, L)$  have been chosen such that atoms far away from the interface have energy levels correspond- ing to the perfect bulk configuration. In other words, the two interfaces present in the atomistic system do not interact, therefore avoiding the size effect mentioned in section 2.

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set of the declustrial observith an identical structure as the interface obserd at the<br>
set occur of atomic assembly. Dimensions of Once the initial interfacial assembly is created, a molecular statics calculation, which employs a nonlinear conjugate gradient method, is used to determine the minimum energy interface configuration (i.e., relaxed positions of the atoms) and to find the self equilibrium state of the interface. Due to the in-plane periodicity, relaxation of the structure occurs only in the direction perpendicular to the bound- ary plane. The transverse stress in the relaxed configuration is therefore null. A detailed discussion of interface atomistic structural rearrangement throughout the entire simulation process and resulting interfacial point defects is beyond the scope of the present manuscript.

 After the minimum interfacial energy configuration is obtained, the interfacial assembly is elastically deformed either by applying a transverse tensile stress  $\sigma_3^{\perp}$ <sup>561</sup> assembly is elastically deformed either by applying a transverse tensile stress  $\sigma_3^{\perp}$  or <sup>562</sup> by applying biaxial strains  $\epsilon_{11}^S = \epsilon_{22}^S = \epsilon^S$  of a couple percents in the interfacial plane. Each of these stresses and biaxial strains is less than the critical load required for defect nucleation (dislocation notably) for the interfaces considered in this work, so that we remain in the elastic domain. In the configuration when the tensile stress  $\frac{566}{100}$  is applied, the x- and y-direction boundaries are specified as stress-free throughout deformation.

 For each deformation process described in the above, MS simulations are per- formed to compute the interfacial excess energy at the equilibrium state of the sys- tem. In the case of the discrete atomistic systems used in this work, the integral of the energy profile defined in equation (12) is discretized into a summation over a set of atoms within each region, rigorously separating the energy profile normal to the interface into two regions (?) such that,

$$
\Gamma = \frac{1}{2A_0} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{Cu}}} \left( e^{(i)} \left( z \right) - e_{\text{Cu}}^{(0)} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}} \left( e^{(i)} \left( z \right) - e_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}^{(0)} \right) \right],\tag{86}
$$

so ten. In the case of the discrete chomistic systems used in this work, the integral of<br>so the energy profile defined in equation (12) is discretized into a summation over a set<br>in the energy profile defined in equation <sup>574</sup> where  $e^{(i)}$  is the total energy of atom i enclosed by the area  $A_0$  on the interface,  $N_{\text{Cu}}$  $575$  and  $N_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}$  are the number of atoms in the copper region and its oxide respectively, <sup>576</sup> and  $e_{\text{Cu}}^{(0)}$  and  $e_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}^{(0)}$  are the total energies of an atom in a perfect lattice (bulk config- $577$  uration) far away from the surface in medium Cu and medium Cu<sub>2</sub>O, respectively. The bulk energies,  $e_{\text{Cu}}^{(0)}$  and  $e_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}^{(0)}$ , are determined by averaging the total energy  $e^{(i)}$ 578 <sup>579</sup> of a group of atoms positioned sufficiently far away from the interface such that the <sup>580</sup> presence of the boundary can be ignored. Using  $e_{\text{Cu}}^{(0)}$  and  $e_{\text{Cu}_2\text{O}}^{(0)}$ , an excess energy is <sup>581</sup> computed for every atom within the interface model; the sum of these excess energies <sup>582</sup> is defined as the total interface energy. Note that the factor 2 in the denominator <sup>583</sup> of equation (86) accounts for the presence of the two actual interfaces within the <sup>584</sup> atomic assembly due to the periodic boundary conditions.

## <sup>585</sup> *5.2. Comparisons between the discrete atomistic simulations and the generalized* <sup>586</sup> *Shuttleworth relationships*

 The above procedure has been used to calculate the variation of the interfacial excess energy under biaxial straining or transverse loading. The interfacial elastic properties used for the comparison between the atomistic simulations and the theo-retical model presented in the above are listed in Table 2. These interfacial elastic so (80), thus limiting the number of interfacial chatic constants that can be calculated<br>we trough this method. Note that the semal analytical methodology developed by ? in<br>the case of the EAM potential could be used as a properties have been obtained numerically using a least-square method accounting for the various loading paths used the atomistic system based on equations  $(87)$ – (89), thus limiting the number of interfacial elastic constants that can be calculated through this method. Note that the semi-analytical methodology developed by ? in the case of the EAM potential could be used as an alternative to derive the interfa- cial properties. However this formulation would need to be modified to account for the complexity of the two interatomic potentials and cross atomic interactions used  $\frac{598}{100}$  in this manuscript for the Cu/Cu<sub>2</sub>O interfacial system. Such modifications of the methodology are beyond the scope of the present manuscript.

<sup>600</sup> Looking first at the interfacial excess energy as a function of the mismatch strain <sup>601</sup>  $\epsilon^{m,S}$  when no load is applied ( $\epsilon^{S} = 0$  and  $\sigma^{\perp} = 0$  MPa), equation (16) reduces to

$$
\Gamma|_{\epsilon^S=0,\sigma^{\perp}=0} = \Gamma^* = \Gamma_0 + \Upsilon^{(1)}_{\alpha\alpha} \epsilon^{m,S}_{\alpha\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{m,S}_{\alpha\alpha} \Upsilon^{(2)}_{\alpha\alpha\beta\beta} \epsilon^{m,S}_{\beta\beta} . \tag{87}
$$

 The MS simulation results for the variation of the interfacial excess energy as a function of the mismatch strain are shown in Fig. 4 together with the results from the present continuum model. It is seen that these results agree very well with those obtained by the generalized interfacial formulation and show a quadratic behavior.

<sup>606</sup> Considering now the variation of interfacial excess energy as a function of the  $\sigma$  transverse stress  $\sigma^{\perp}$  for various mismatch strains (no in-plane strain applied), the  $608$  interfacial excess energy Γ in equation (16) reduces to

$$
\Gamma|_{\epsilon^S=0} = \Gamma^* + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_3^\perp \Lambda_{33}^{(2)} \sigma_3^\perp . \tag{88}
$$

<sup>609</sup> We again observe a very good agreement between the atomistic simulation results <sup>610</sup> and the present theoretical formulation as it is plotted in Fig. 5.

<sup>611</sup> Similarly, in the case of the variation of interfacial excess energy as a function of

<sup>612</sup> the biaxial strain  $\epsilon^S$  (no transverse stress applied), equation (16) reduces to

$$
\Gamma|_{\sigma^{\perp}=0} = \Gamma^* + \Gamma^{(1)}_{\alpha\alpha}\epsilon^S_{\alpha\alpha} + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon^S_{\alpha\alpha}\Gamma^{(2)}_{\alpha\alpha\beta\beta}\epsilon^S_{\beta\beta} - \epsilon^{m,S}_{\alpha\alpha}\Phi_{\alpha\alpha\beta\beta}\epsilon^S_{\beta\beta} . \tag{89}
$$

<sup>613</sup> Comparison between the atomistic simulations and the theoretical models are pre-<sup>614</sup> sented in Fig. 6. The results of the present model are in good agreement with those <sup>615</sup> obtained by full-blown atomistic simulations.

#### <sup>616</sup> 6. Conclusion

Comparison between the atomistic simulations and the theoretical models are presented in Fig. 6. The results of the present model are in good agreement with these constanted by full-bleven atomistic simulations.<br>
Access t <sup>617</sup> The main contribution of this manuscript is the derivation of a generalized contin-<sup>618</sup> uum framework describing the elastic behavior of coherent and incoherent interfaces <sup>619</sup> under general loading conditions based on the Gibbs dividing surface concept com-<sup>620</sup> bined with the so-called "T-decomposition". This generalized Shuttleworth-Herring <sup>621</sup> formulation considers the equilibrium of mismatched interfaces as a function of the <sup>622</sup> in-plane strain  $\epsilon^S$ , the transverse stress  $\sigma^{\perp}$  and the structural mismatch strain  $\epsilon^{m,S}$ . <sup>623</sup> This formulation not only accounts for the three-dimensional nature of the interface <sup>624</sup> in a Gibbsian sense (2D mathematical object as opposed to an interphase model) <sup>625</sup> but also explicitly considers its interfacial structure. Two surface stresses are thus <sup>626</sup> introduced: a coherent surface stress  $\Sigma^S$  and an incoherent surface stress  $\Upsilon^S$ , along  $\epsilon$ <sub>627</sub> with a transverse excess strain  $\Delta^{\perp}$ . The coherent surface stress  $\Sigma^{S}$  and the trans-<sup>628</sup> verse excess strain  $\Delta^{\perp}$  represent the thermodynamic driving forces of stretching the  $\delta_{29}$  interface while the incoherent surface stress  $\Upsilon^S$  represents the driving force of alter-<sup>630</sup> ing the structure of the interface by stretching one crystal while holding the other <sup>631</sup> fixed. These three quantities fully characterize the elastic behavior of coherent and

<sup>632</sup> incoherent interfaces and read:

$$
\Sigma^{S} = \left. \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \epsilon^{S}} \right|_{\epsilon^{m,S},\sigma^{\perp}} + \sigma^{\perp} \cdot \mathbb{H} ,
$$

$$
\Delta^{\perp} - \Lambda^{(1)} = \left. \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \sigma^{\perp}} \right|_{\epsilon^{S},\epsilon^{m,S}} - \mathbb{H} : \epsilon^{S} + \mathbb{K} : \epsilon^{m,S}
$$

$$
\Upsilon^{S} = \left. \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \epsilon^{m,S}} \right|_{\epsilon^{S},\sigma^{\perp}} - \sigma^{\perp} \cdot \mathbb{K} + \underline{\Phi} : \epsilon^{S} .
$$

,

<sup>633</sup> This formulation naturally introduces interfacial elastic tensors, as well as an im-<sup>634</sup> plicit coupling between the interfacial structure and interfacial stresses. Three sur-635 face tensors  $(\underline{\Gamma}^{(2)}, \Lambda^{(2)}, \underline{\mathbb{H}})$  describe the pure elastic behavior of the interface (i.e., 636 independent of the structural mismatch) while four surface tensors  $(Γ<sup>(1)</sup>, Λ<sup>(1)</sup>, Φ<sub>5</sub>)$  $\mathfrak{g}_{37}$  K) describe and/or account for the coupling between the interface and the state of <sup>638</sup> coherency (i.e. dependent on the structural mismatch).

 $\Delta^{\perp} - \Lambda^{(1)} = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \sigma_{\perp}} = \frac{\prod_{i} \epsilon^{S_i} + \prod_{i} \epsilon^{m_i S_i},$ <br>  $\Upsilon^S = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \epsilon^{m_i S}} \Big|_{\epsilon^S, \epsilon^{m_i S}} - \Pi : \epsilon^S + \Pi : \epsilon^{m_i S}$ ,<br>  $\Upsilon^S = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \epsilon^{m_i S}} \Big|_{\epsilon^S, \epsilon^{m_i S}} - \sigma^{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{K} + \underline{\Phi} : \epsilon^S$ .<br>
(a) This formulation natur The isotropic case is developed in detail and particular attention is paid to the case of interfacial thermo-elasticity resulting from the mismatch of coefficient of thermal expansions between two dissimilar materials. This exercise provides some insight on the physical significance of the interfacial elastic constants introduced in the formulation and illustrates the obvious coupling between the interface structure and its associated thermodynamics quantities.

 Comparisons between discrete atomistic simulations for incoherent interfaces be- $\frac{646}{100}$  tween Cu and its oxide Cu<sub>2</sub>O and the present continuum formulation demonstrate that this generalized framework for mismatched interfaces successfully characterizes the elastic behavior of such interfaces.

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	$\label{eq:interfac} \textbf{Interface}$	$\epsilon^{m,S}\left(\%\\right)$	$\boldsymbol{n}$	$\,m$	L $(\AA)$	D $(\mbox{\AA})$	$N_{\rm Cu}+N_{\rm Cu_2O}$				
	$\,1\,$	$-1.476\,$	$14\,$	$\,6\,$	$218.628\,$	$35.923\,$	$19696\,$				
	$\overline{2}$	$1.34\,$	$12\,$	$\bf 5$	$217.391\,$	$30.479\,$	$14088\,$				
	$\overline{3}$	$5.42\,$	$15\,$	$\,6\,$	$215.181\,$	$37.645\,$	$\boldsymbol{21204}$				
	$\boldsymbol{4}$	$2.524\,$	$17\,$	$\,7$	$216.757\,$	$43.017\,$	27964				

Table 1: Geometric parameters used to set up the atomistic simulations.

Property		Value	
$\Gamma_0$	$\left[{\rm J.m}^{-2}\right]$	$1.102\,$	
$\Gamma_{11}^{(1)}$	$\left[ \mathrm{J.m}^{-2}\right]$	$3.00\,$	
$\Gamma^{(2)}_{1111}+\Gamma^{(2)}_{1122}$	$\left[{\rm J.m}^{-2}\right]$	$2455.51\,$	
$\Lambda_{33}^{(2)}$	$\left[\text{nm.GPa}^{-1}\right]$	$0.0210\,$	
$\Upsilon_{11}^{(1)}$	$\left[ \mathrm{J.m}^{-2}\right]$	$0.213\,$	
$\Upsilon_{1111}^{(2)}+\Upsilon_{1122}^{(2)}$	$[J.m^{-2}]$	$526.71\,$	
$\Phi_{1111}+\Phi_{1122}$	$[J.m^{-2}]$	$-9.24$	

Table 2: Interfacial elastic properties for an incoherent  $\mathrm{Cu/Cu}_2\mathrm{O}$  interface.



Figure 1: Schematic of a bicrystal interface and the distribution of a given excess thermodynamic quantity across the interface structure along the transverse direction  $\boldsymbol{z}.$ 



**Figure 2:** Decomposition of the in-plane eigenstrain  $e^{*,S}$  related to the change of the interface structure.





Figure 3: Illustration of the atomic surfaces composing the Cu/Cu<sub>2</sub>O interface. Details of the setup of atomistic simulations are summarized in Table 1.



**Figure 4:** Variation of the interfacial excess energy  $\Gamma|_{\epsilon^{S}=0,\sigma^{\perp}=0}$  as a function of the mismatch strain  $\epsilon^{m,S}$  for an incoherent Cu/Cu<sub>2</sub>O (for  $\epsilon^{S} = 0$  and  $\sigma^{\perp} = 0$ ). Dashed line (---) is based on the theoretical framework presented in equation (16), square symbols  $(\blacksquare)$  are from atomistic simulations. Interfacial elasticity properties used in equation (16) are presented in Table 2.



**Figure 5:** Variation of the interfacial excess energy  $\Gamma|_{\epsilon^{S}=0}$  as a function of the transverse tensile stress  $\sigma^{\perp}$  (for  $\epsilon^{S} = 0$ ) for an incoherent Cu/Cu<sub>2</sub>O interface with various mismatch strains. Dashed line  $(- - -)$  is based on the theoretical framework presented in equation (16), square symbols ( $\blacksquare$ ) are from atomistic simulations. Interfacial elasticity properties used in equation (16) are presented in Table 2.



**Figure 6:** Variation of the interfacial excess energy  $\Gamma|_{\sigma^{\perp}=0}$  as a function of the biaxial strain  $\epsilon^{S}$ (for  $\sigma^{\perp} = 0$ ) for an incoherent Cu/Cu<sub>2</sub>O interface with various mismatch strains. Dashed line  $(- - -)$  is based on the theoretical framework presented in equation (16), square symbols ( $\blacksquare$ ) are from atomistic simulations. Interfacial elasticity properties used in equation (16) are presented in Table 2.

#### <sup>660</sup> Appendix

#### <sup>661</sup> Appendix A. Nomenclature and list of symbols

accept and the different and the transmission space  $\mathbb{E}$  cally by its chement  $a_k$ . We choose in bolding care we moved in the most of the Euclidian space  $\mathbb{E}$  cally by its chement  $a_k$  (i.e.  $a = a_k \hat{a}_k$ ) where we We denote in boldface a vector **a** of the Euclidian space  $\mathbb{E}$  only by its element  $a_i$ 662 663 (i.e.  $\mathbf{a} = a_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i$ ) where we employ the use of Einstein's convention of summation over <sub>664</sub> repeated indices. The component  $\hat{\mathbf{e}}_i$  is an element of  $(\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2, \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3)$ , a positive oriented  $665$  orthonormal basis of  $E$  with dimension 3. Similarly a second-rank Euclidian tensor 666 A designated in a boldface character is simply written as  $A_{ij}$   $(A = A_{ij} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \otimes \hat{\mathbf{e}}_j)$ .  $667$  third-rank Euclidian tensor  $\triangle$  designated by an underlined character is simply writ-668 ten as  $A_{ijk}$  ( $\underline{\mathbb{A}} = A_{ijk} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \otimes \hat{\mathbf{e}}_j \otimes \hat{\mathbf{e}}_k$ ). A fourth-rank Euclidian tensor  $\underline{\mathbb{A}}$  designated by a <sup>669</sup> doubly underlined character is simply written as  $A_{ijkl}$   $(\underline{\mathbb{A}} = A_{ijkl} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \otimes \hat{\mathbf{e}}_j \otimes \hat{\mathbf{e}}_k \otimes \hat{\mathbf{e}}_l)$ . <sup>670</sup> A character not in boldface or not underlined indicates a scalar. The symbol "."  $\epsilon_{671}$  between two tensors designates the product contracted once, while the symbol ":" <sup>672</sup> designates the product contracted twice. Roman indices used in tensorial notations  $\epsilon_{673}$  range from 1 to 3 (three-dimensional) and Greek indices range from 1 to 2 (two-<sup>674</sup> dimensional), unless otherwise indicated.

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#### <sup>676</sup> Notation indexing:

 $[\cdot]_{\pm}$ – denotes a variable defined in medium "+" or "−" respectively.  $[\cdot]^S$ – denotes a variable defined in the plane of the interface.  $[\cdot]^\perp$ denotes a variable defined transverse to the interface.

#### <sup>677</sup> Strain and stress definitions:

- $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^S$  $-$  interfacial in-plane strain tensor.
- $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{*,S}$  $-$  interfacial structure eigenstrain tensor.



 $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{m,S}$  $\hbox{--}$  in-plane structural mismatch strain tensor.

- $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^*$  $\textup{--}$  eigenstrain tensor.
- $\epsilon$  strain tensor.
- $\sigma$  stress tensor.
- $\tau$  residual stress tensor.
- $\kappa$  relative interface curvature.

## <sup>678</sup> Interfacial thermodynamic quantities:



## <sup>679</sup> Bulk constants:





- $\alpha$  coefficient of thermal expansion.
- $\mathcal{Q}$  stiffness tensor.
- M compliance tensor.
- $\gamma$  transverse coupling tensor.

### <sup>680</sup> Interfacial constants:



 $d_0, d_0^*$ – thermal-mechanical coupling coefficient.

## <sup>681</sup> Variables used in the atomistic model:

- $e^{(i)}$ – total energy of atom  $i$ .
- $e^{(0)}$  $-$  atomic bulk energy.
- $N$  number of atoms.

 $n, m$  – scaling factors to obtain various mismatch strains in the atomistic model.

 $\ell$  – crystal lattice parameter.

 $W, L, D$  – dimensions of the atomistic simulation box.

 $A_0$  – surface area.

#### <sup>682</sup> Miscellaneous symbols:



 $\Omega$  – semi-infinite crystal.

 $z \sim$  – position across the interface.

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h
$$
 - arbitrary distance away from the interface.

 $\mathbf{x}$  – position vector.

$$
\mathbf{x}^S \qquad \qquad - \text{ interfacial position vector}.
$$

$$
u \qquad \qquad - \text{ displacement field}.
$$

 $\nabla^S$  – surface gradient.

 $\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}^S$ ) – interface unit normal upward pointing from the reference phase.

$$
V^0 \qquad \qquad - \text{molar volume}.
$$

$$
g(\mathbf{x})
$$
 - variation of the structural mismatch.

## <sup>683</sup> Appendix B. "T-decomposition": General anisotropic elasticity with eigen-<sup>684</sup> strains due to lattice mismatch

685 In the following "T-decomposition" (??), subscripts  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $\lambda$  vary from 1 to 2,  $\frac{686}{100}$  and Roman subscripts j vary from 1 to 3 with the following conventions:

A<sub>0</sub> - surface area.  
\n82 Miscellaneous symbols:  
\nS - imaginary, two-dimensional surface.  
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Ω
$$
 - semi-infinite crystal.  
\n $z$  - position across the interface.  
\n $h$  - arbitrary distance away from the interface.  
\n $x$  - position vector.  
\n $x^S$  - interfacial position vector.  
\n $u$  - displacement field.  
\n $∇^S$  - surface gradient.  
\n $n(x^S)$  - interface unit normal upward pointing from the reference phase.  
\n $V^0$  - molar volume.  
\n $g(x)$  - variation of the structural mismatch.  
\n $g(x)$  - variation of the structural mismatch.  
\n $sin(x^S)$  - the composition": General anisotropic elasticity with eigen-  
\nstrains due to lattice mismatch  
\n $\sin x$  - the following "T-decomposition" (??), subscripts α, β, κ, λ vary from 1 to 2,  
\n $\cos x$  and Roman subscripts j vary from 1 to 3 with the following conventions:  
\n $σ_{\alpha\beta}^S = σ_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $τ_{\alpha\beta}^S = r_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $τ_{\alpha\beta}^S = r_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $ε_{\alpha\lambda}^S = \epsilon_{\alpha\lambda}$ ,  
\n $σ_j^1 = σ_{3j}$ ,  $τ_j^1 = τ_{3j}$ ,  $ε_{\alpha\lambda}^1 = c_{33}$ ,  
\n $σ_j^2 = σ_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $τ_{\beta\beta}^S = r_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $τ_{\alpha\beta}^S = r_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $ε_{\alpha\lambda}^S = \epsilon_{\alpha\lambda}$ ,  
\n $σ_j^1 = σ_{3j}$ ,  $τ_j^1 = τ_{3j}$ ,  $ε_{\alpha\lambda}^1 = c_{33}$ ,  
\n $σ_{\alpha\beta}^T$  stress and strains.

687 where superscripts S and  $\perp$  respectively denote the in-plane and transverse parts of <sup>688</sup> stresses and strains.

689 Consider an inhomogeneous linear elastic solid subjected to eigenstrains  $\epsilon_{ij}^*$ , the <sup>690</sup> strain energy density per unit undeformed volume (Lagrangian approach) is given <sup>691</sup> by:

$$
\Psi = \Psi_0 + \tau_{ij} \left( \epsilon_{ij} - \epsilon_{ij}^* \right) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{C}_{ijkl} \left( \epsilon_{ij} - \epsilon_{ij}^* \right) \left( \epsilon_{kl} - \epsilon_{kl}^* \right) , \qquad (B.2)
$$

<sup>692</sup> where  $\epsilon_{ij}$  and  $\epsilon_{ij}^*$  are respectively the Lagrangian total strains and eigenstrains. 693

The elastic (Lagrangian) strains are given by  $\epsilon_{ij}^e = \epsilon_{ij} - \epsilon_{ij}^*$ . The Piola-Kirchhoff <sup>695</sup> stresses associated to the elastic (Lagrangian) strains are given by:

$$
\sigma_{ij} = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \epsilon_{ij}^e} = \tau_{ij} + \mathbb{C}_{ijkl} (\epsilon_{kl} - \epsilon_{kl}^*)
$$
\n(B.3)

696 As such, the energy density  $\Psi$ , the in-plane stresses  $\sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{S}$  and the transverse stresses  $\sigma_i^{\perp}$  $\sigma_j^{\perp}$  can be decomposed in terms of their in-plane and transverse parts:

$$
\Psi = \Psi_0 + \tau_{ij} (\epsilon_{ij} - \epsilon_{ij}^*) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{C}_{ijkl} (\epsilon_{ij} - \epsilon_{ij}^*) (\epsilon_{kl} - \epsilon_{kl}^*) ,
$$
 (B.2)  
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 where  $\epsilon_{ij}$  and  $\epsilon_{ij}^*$  are respectively the Lagrangian total strains and eigenstrains.  
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\sigma_{ij} = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \epsilon_{ij}^*} = \tau_{ij} + \mathbb{C}_{ijkl} (\epsilon_{kl} - \epsilon_{kl}^*) .
$$
 (B.3)  
\nAs such, the energy density  $\Psi$ , the in-plane stresses  $\sigma_{\alpha\beta}^S$  and the transverse stresses  
\n
$$
\omega \tau \frac{\sigma_j^+}{\sigma}
$$
 can be decomposed in terms of their in-plane and transverse parts:  
\n
$$
\Psi = \Psi_0 + \frac{1}{2} \tau_{\alpha\beta}^S \left( \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^S - \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{*S} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{\alpha\beta}^S \left( \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^S - \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{*S} \right)
$$
  
\n
$$
+ \frac{1}{2} \tau_j^+ \left( \epsilon_j^+ - \epsilon_{j}^{*+} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_j^+ \left( \epsilon_j^+ - \epsilon_{j}^{*+} \right) ,
$$
 (B.4)  
\n
$$
\sigma_{\alpha\beta}^S = \tau_{\alpha\beta}^S + \mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda} (\epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^S - \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{*S}) + \mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta\lambda k} (\epsilon_k^+ - \epsilon_{k}^{*+1}) ,
$$
 (B.5)  
\n
$$
\sigma_j^+ = \tau_j^+ + \mathbb{C}_{3j\kappa\lambda} (\epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^S - \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{*S}) + \mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta\lambda k} (\epsilon_k^+ - \epsilon_{k}^{*+1}) .
$$

$$
\sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{S} = \tau_{\alpha\beta}^{S} + \mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda} \left( \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{S} - \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{*,S} \right) + \mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta 3k} \left( \epsilon_{k}^{\perp} - \epsilon_{k}^{*,\perp} \right) , \qquad (B.5)
$$

$$
\sigma_j^{\perp} = \tau_j^{\perp} + \mathbb{C}_{3j\kappa\lambda} \left( \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^S - \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{*,S} \right) + \mathbb{C}_{3j3k} \left( \epsilon_k^{\perp} - \epsilon_k^{*,\perp} \right) . \tag{B.6}
$$

<sup>698</sup> From equation (B.6), the transverse strains can be expressed as,

$$
\epsilon_{k}^{\perp} = \epsilon_{k}^{*,\perp} - M_{kj}^{\perp} \tau_{j}^{\perp} + M_{kj}^{\perp} \sigma_{j}^{\perp} - \gamma_{k\alpha\beta} \left( \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{S} - \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{*,S} \right) , \qquad (B.7)
$$

699 where  $\mathbb{M}^{\perp}_{kj}$  and  $\gamma_{k\alpha\beta}$  are given by:

$$
\mathbb{M}_{kj}^{\perp} = \mathbb{C}_{3k3j}^{-1} , \quad \gamma_{k\alpha\beta} = \mathbb{M}_{kj}^{\perp} \mathbb{C}_{3j\alpha\beta} . \tag{B.8}
$$

<sup>700</sup> Introducing equation (B.7) into equation (B.5), the surface stress tensor  $\sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{S}$  is given <sup>701</sup> by:

$$
\sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{S} = \hat{\tau}_{\alpha\beta}^{S} + \mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda}^{S} \left( \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{S} - \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{*,S} \right) + \gamma_{j\alpha\beta}\sigma_{j}^{\perp} , \qquad (B.9)
$$

<sup>702</sup> where

$$
\hat{\tau}_{\alpha\beta}^S = \tau_{\alpha\beta}^S - \tau_j^{\perp} \gamma_{j\alpha\beta} \quad , \quad \mathbb{C}^S_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda} = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda} - \mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta3k} \gamma_{k\kappa\lambda} \quad . \tag{B.10}
$$

we Introducing both equations (B.T) and (B.9) into equation (B.4), the energy density<br>se  $\Psi$  finally becomes:<br> $\Phi = \Phi_0 + \epsilon_{\text{tot}}^2 \left( c_{\text{tot}}^2 - c_{\text{tot}}^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} C_{\text{tot},\lambda}^2 \left( c_{\text{tot}}^2 - c_{\text{tot}}^2 \right) \left( c_{\text{tot}}^2 - c_{\text{tot}}^$ <sup>703</sup> Introducing both equations (B.7) and (B.9) into equation (B.4), the energy density  $_{704}$   $\;$   $\Psi$  finally becomes:

$$
\Psi = \hat{\Psi}_0 + \hat{\tau}_{\alpha\beta}^S \left( \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^S - \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{*,S} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{C}_{\alpha\beta\kappa\lambda}^S \left( \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^S - \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{*,S} \right) \left( \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^S - \epsilon_{\kappa\lambda}^{*,S} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_j^{\perp} \mathbb{M}_{jk}^{\perp} \sigma_k^{\perp} , \ (B.11)
$$

<sup>705</sup> where

$$
\hat{\Psi}_0 = \Psi_0 - \frac{1}{2} M_{jk} \tau_j^{\perp} \tau_k^{\perp}.
$$
\n(B.12)