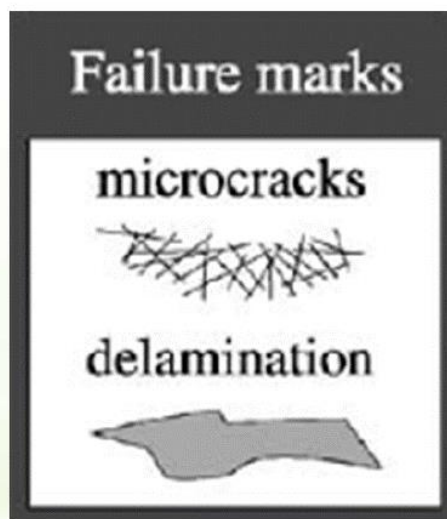
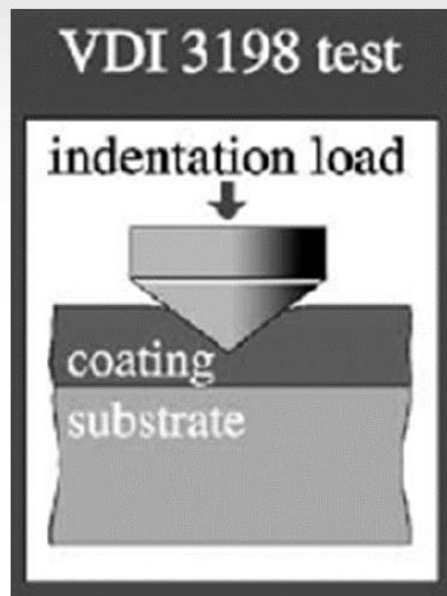


# Adhesion



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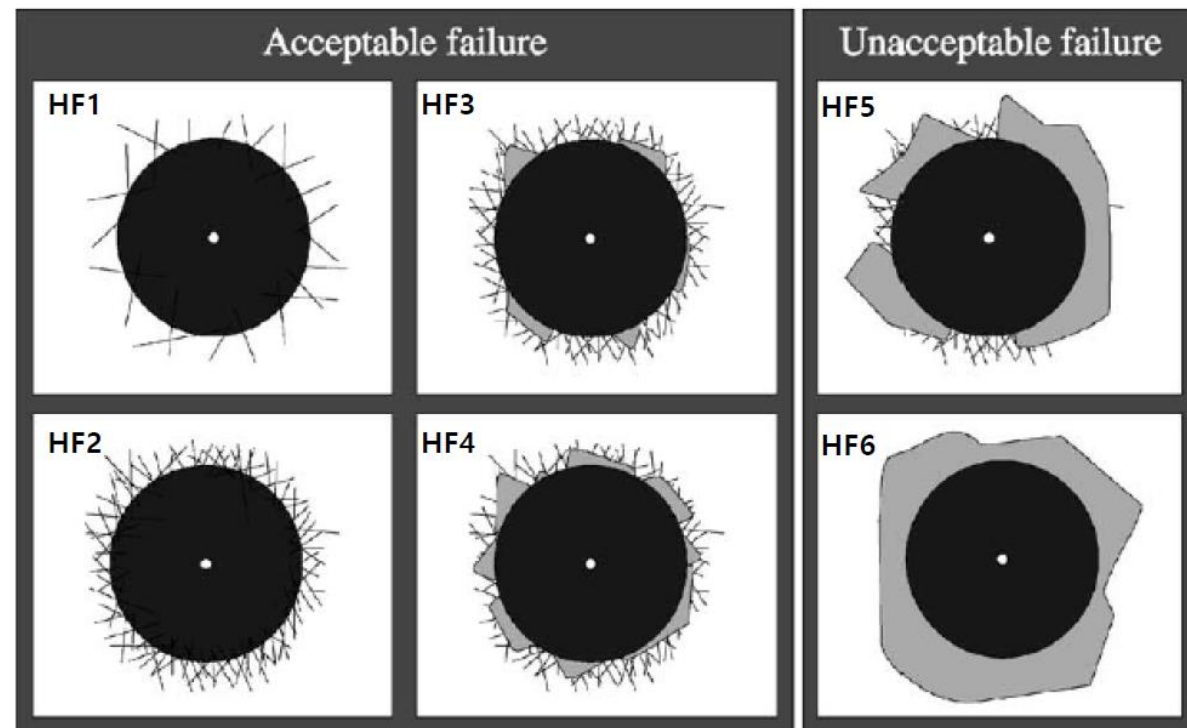


Fig. 1. The principle of the VDI 3198 indentation test.

# DLC compare with Tungsten carbide (Rockwell tests)

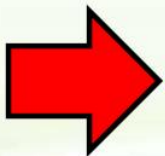
## <Crystal structure>

*Tungsten carbide(WC) : bcc structure*

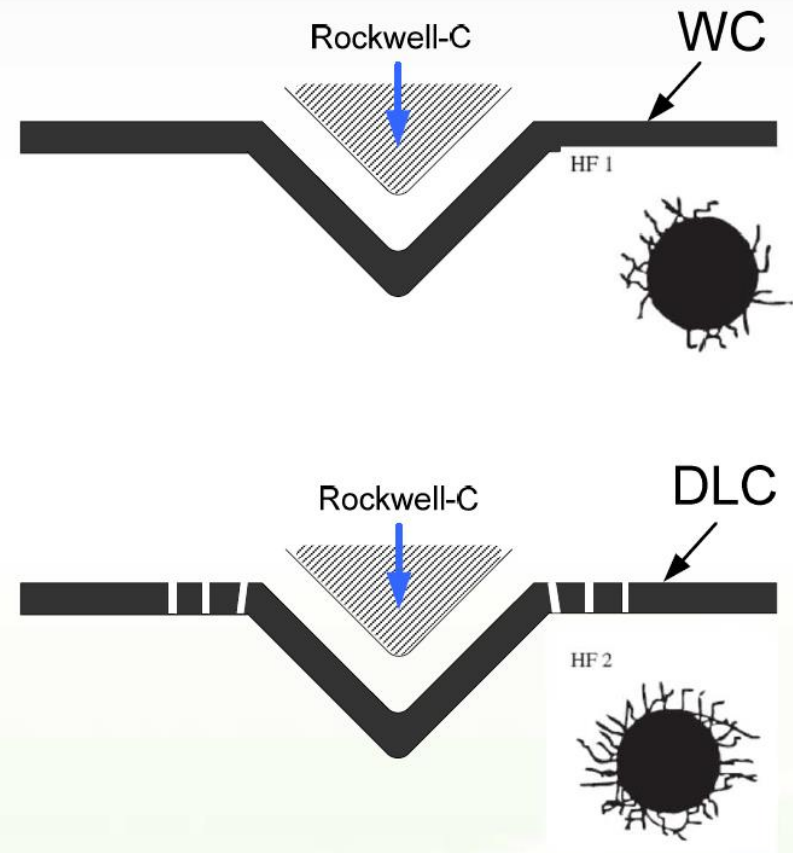
- *slip, twin crystal, lamination layer, dislocation*  
**>>> plastic deformation**
- *Young's Modulus high*  
→ *Rockwell test result → good*

*DLC : Amorphous*

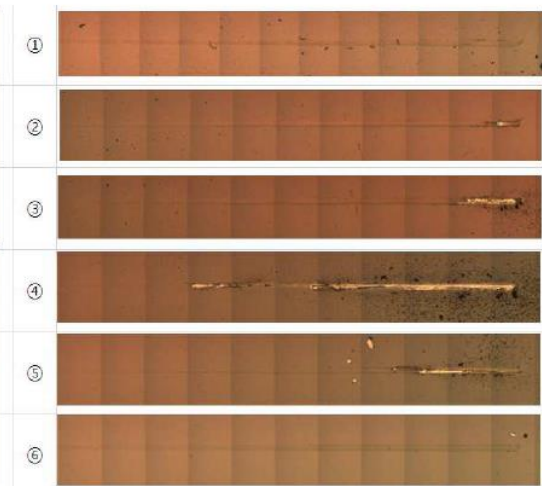
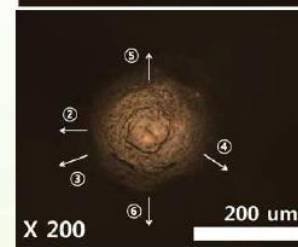
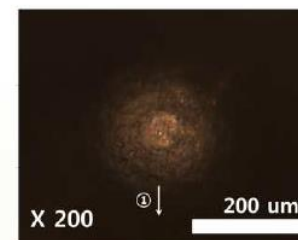
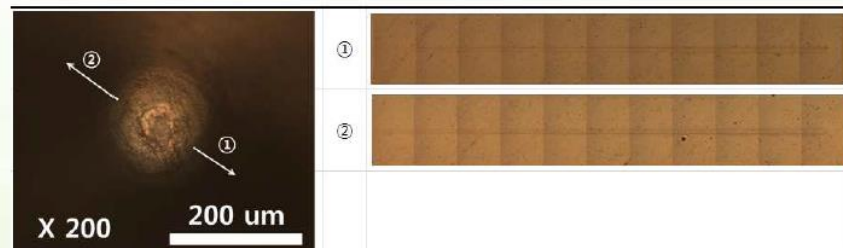
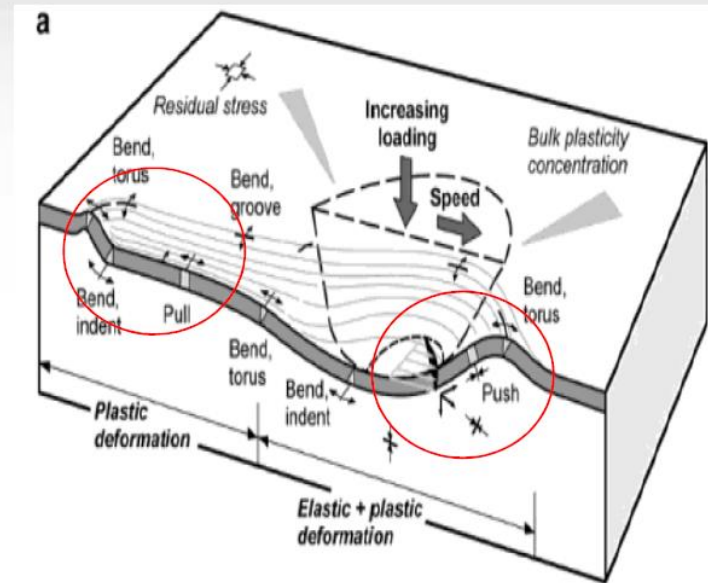
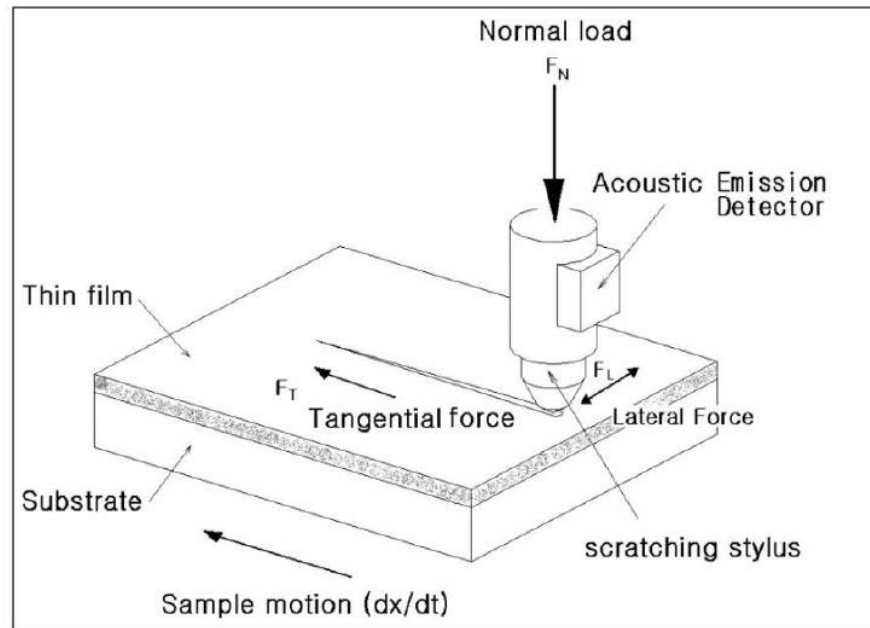
- *Young's Modulus low*  
→ *Rockwell test result → inferior to WC*



- **Design of Buffer layer**
- **Control of DLC stress**



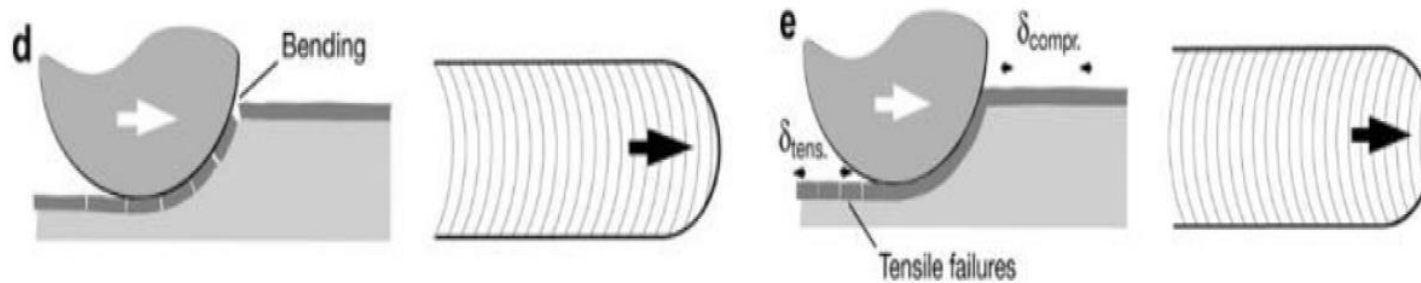
## Principle of Scratch test





## Major Scratch Test Failure Regimes

- 1) Through-thickness cracking
  - : Including **tensile cracking** behind the indenter
  - \* Tensile stress depend on tip and coating friction traction



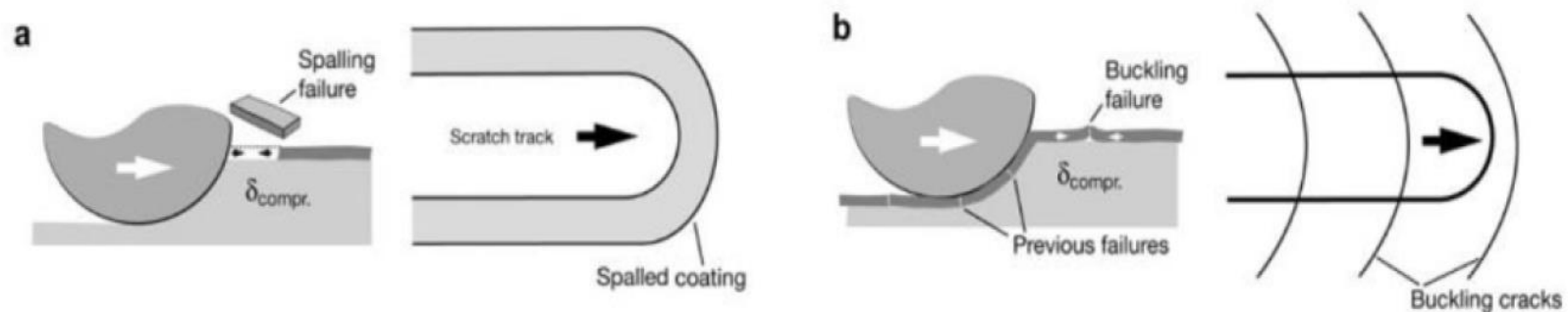
1. Coating – cracking related			
Hertz tensile cracks	Tensile trailing cracks	Forward chevron tensile cracks	Conformal cracks
Scratch direction →	Scratch direction →	Scratch direction →	Scratch direction →

**test load, coating thickness, residual stress(coating), substrate hardness, interfacial adhesion**

## Major Scratch Test Failure Regimes

### 2) Interfacial failure cracking

: Including **compressive stress ahead** the indenter

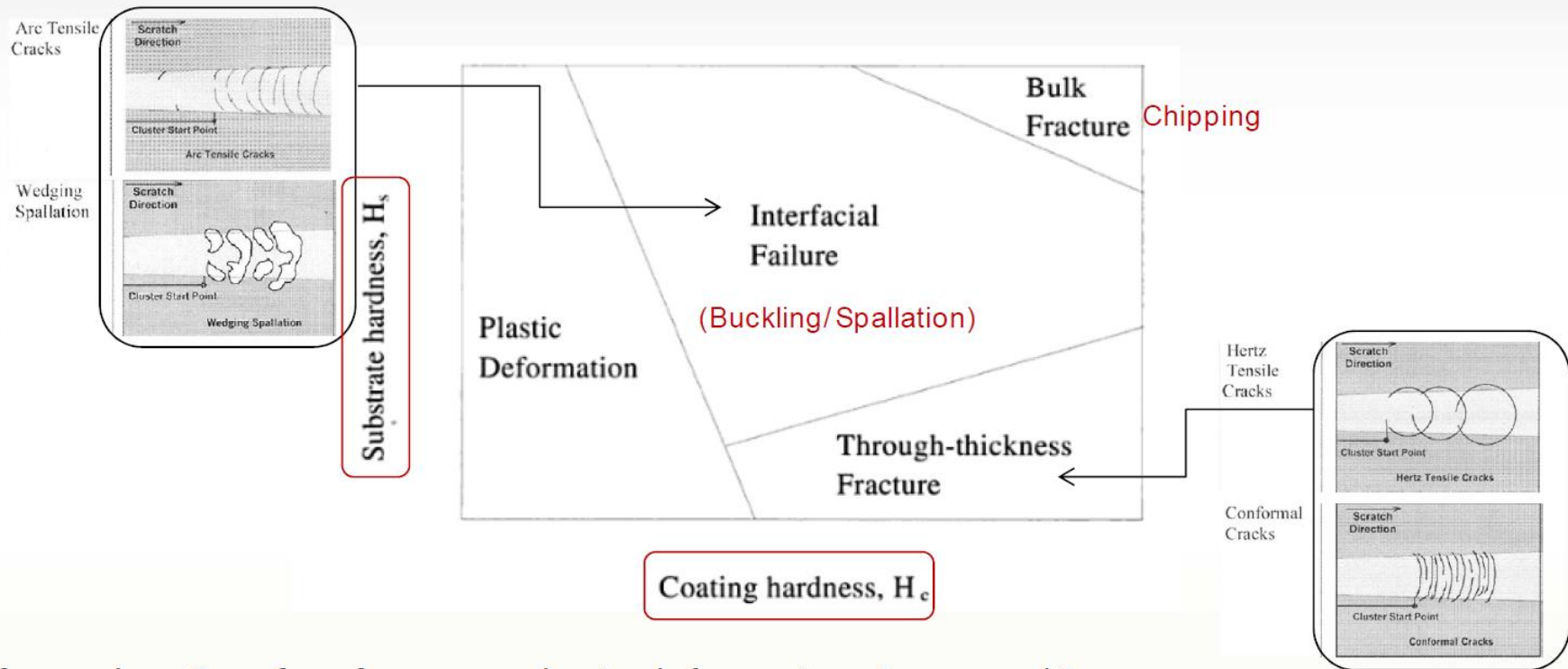


### 2. Coating – delamination related

Buckling spallation	Wedge spallation	Recovery spallation	Gross spallation
→ Scratch direction	→ Scratch direction	→ Scratch direction	→ Scratch direction



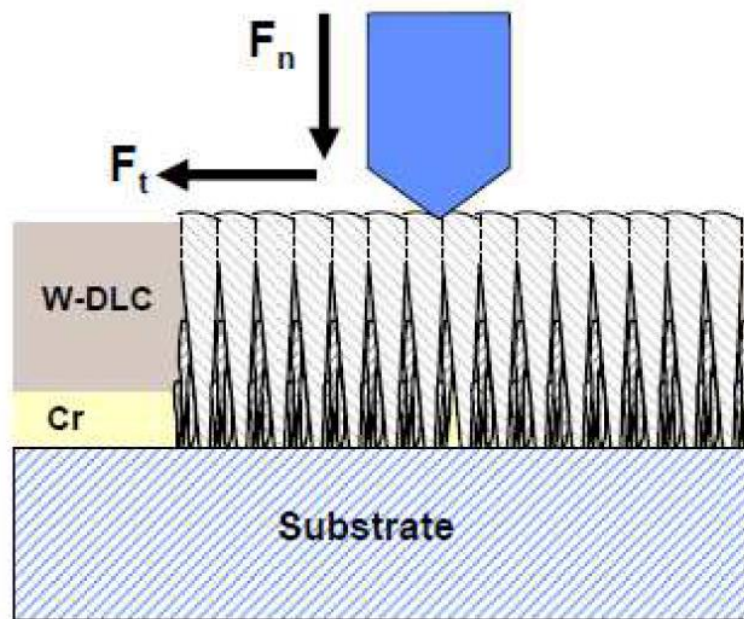
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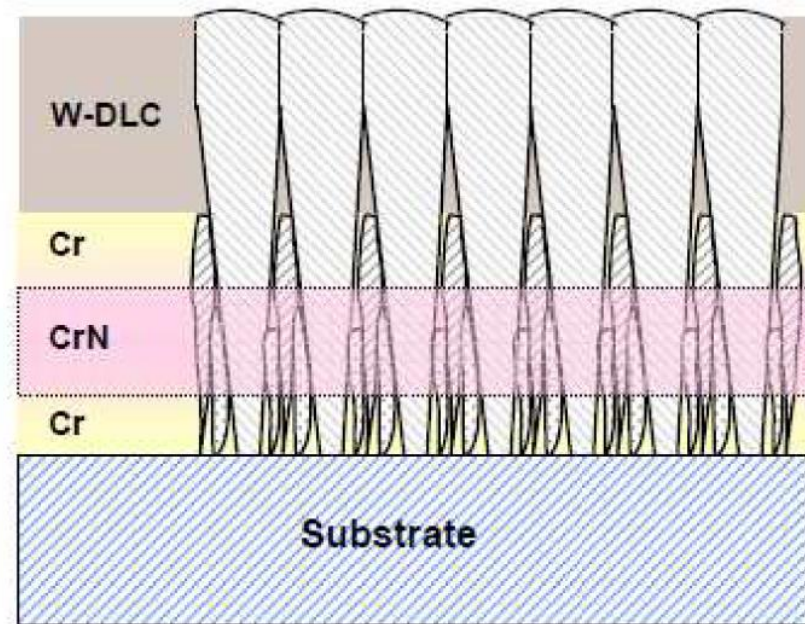
- **Soft coating & soft substrate** : plastic deformation & no cracking
- **Hard coating & soft substrate** : fracture and cracks  
(created by plastic deformation of the substrate)
- **Soft coating & hard substrate** : deform by plastic deformation & extrusion of the coating from between the stylus and the substrate
- **Hard coating & Hard substrate** : Minimal plastic deformation fracture dominates

## Defined interlayer systems

Models of the growth structures



W-DLC ( $L_{C2} = 35 \text{ N}$ )



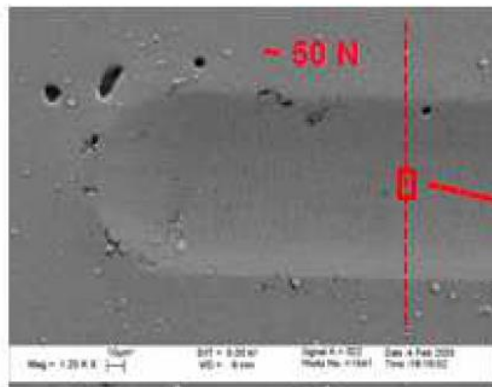
CrN + W-DLC coating system ( $L_{C2} = 78 \text{ N}$ )

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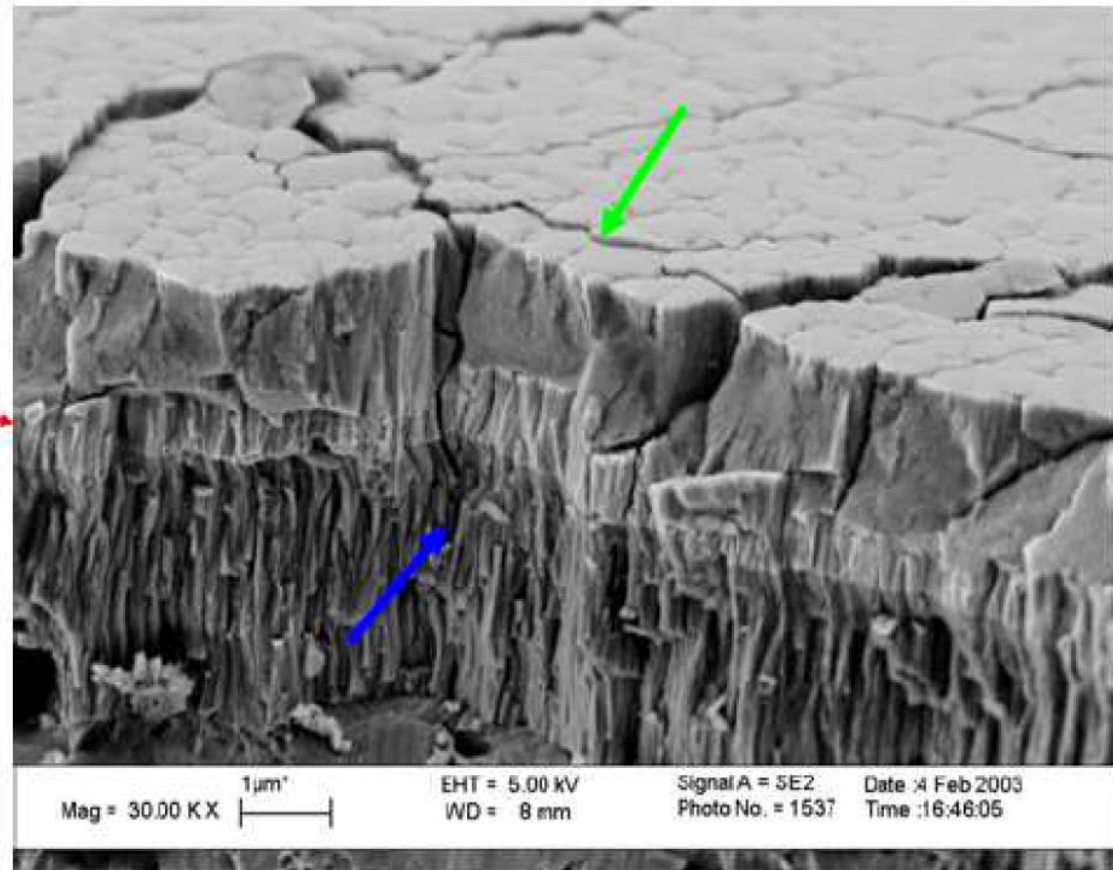


## Interlayer systems

Fracture pattern across wear track after scratch testing (single-pass)



- Crack propagation along growth structure.
- Crack stop in the ductile CrN interlayer

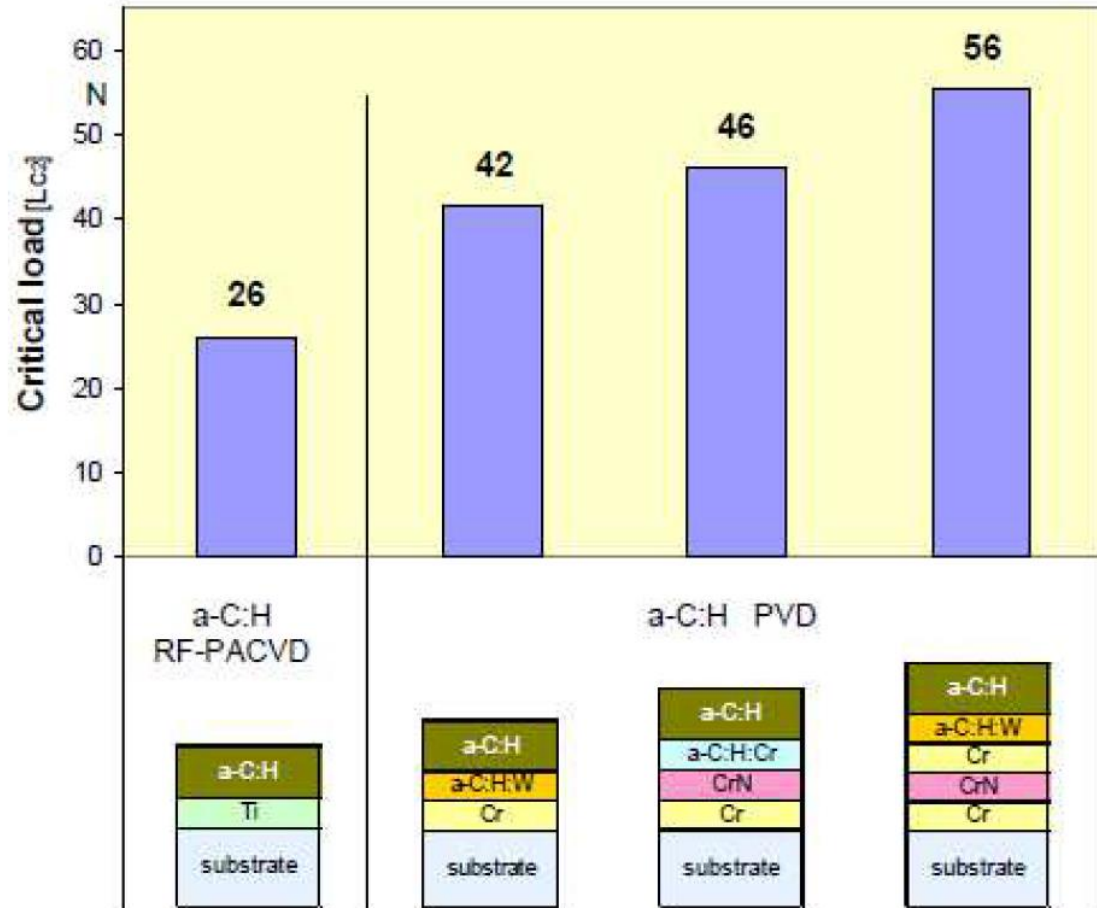


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## Defined interlayer systems

### Critical load on flat samples

- Best adhesion of a-C:H on a-C:H:W
- Good adhesion of a-C:H on a-C:H:Cr only on flat samples
- CrN can stop cracks and has a supporting function
- No influence of bias voltage on adhesion and critical load



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