

Homogenization and Material Variability

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Outline

1. Review of homogenization theory
 - apparent vs. effective material properties
 - weak convergence
 - Type 1 and Type 2 material variability
2. Direct numerical simulations and comparison to homogenized PDE solution
 - Voronoi microstructure
 - hexahedral mesh overlay
 - boundary value problems
3. Type 2 material variability in macroscale simulations: a path forward
 - Mindlin's continuum formulation
 - elastic formulation
 - nonlinear response via FE^2

Hierarchy of Continuum Models

(homogenization perspective)

1. First-order continuum

- microstructure is infinitesimally small
- stored energy is a function of strain only
- RVE size is infinite (very large compared to microstructure)
- material properties can fluctuate only on a large scale (Type 1 material variability)
- used in commercial FEA codes and Sierra

2. Second-order continuum

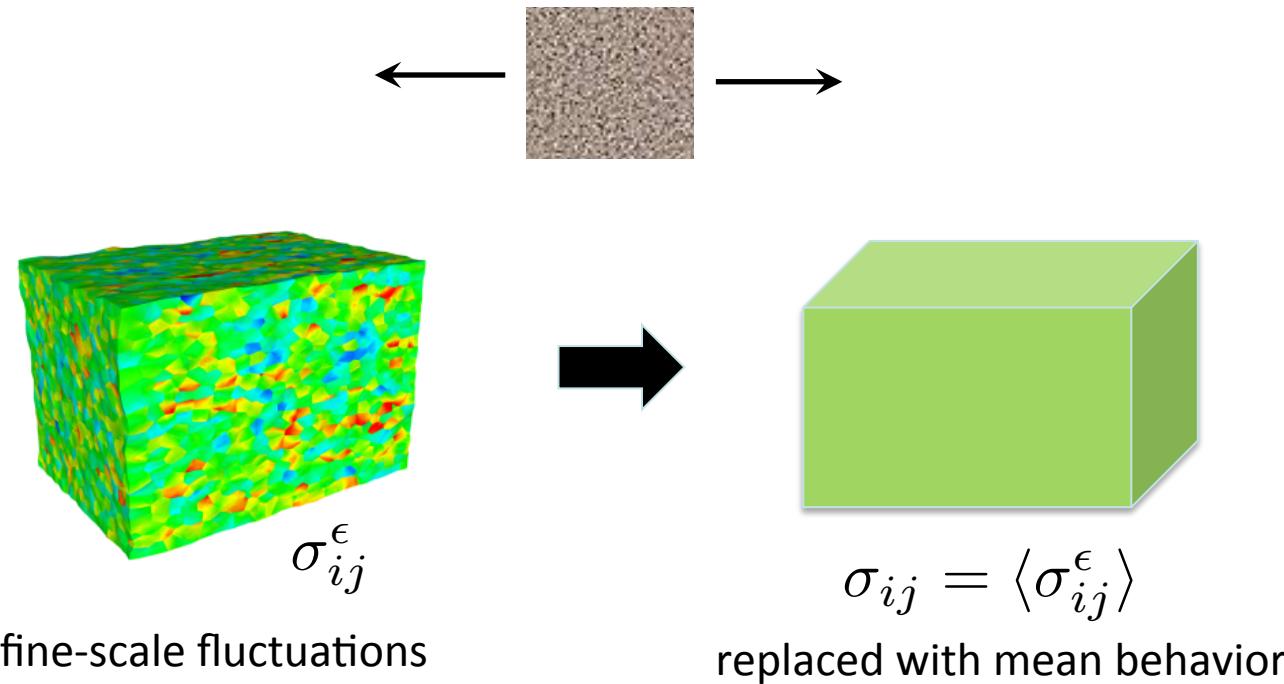
- microstructure is small but finite
- stored energy is a function of both strain and strain gradient (Mindlin, 1964)
- RVE no longer exists, instead have a SVE (stochastic volume element; (Yin, 2008))
- material properties are no longer *intrinsic* but are rather *extrinsic* (Huet, 1990)
- material properties fluctuate on a small scale (Type 2 material variability)

3. Direct Numerical Simulation using Multiscale Mortars

- each RVE is coupled through mortars with a multiscale basis obtained through first-order homogenization theory (Arbogast, 2007)

4. Direct Numerical Simulation

Homogenization



This equivalence is defined in an energy sense: $\sigma_{ij}\varepsilon_{ij} = \langle \sigma_{ij}^{\epsilon} \rangle \langle \varepsilon_{ij}^{\epsilon} \rangle$

Constitutive models map average strain to average stress:

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \langle \varepsilon_{ij}^{\epsilon} \rangle \longrightarrow \sigma_{ij} = \langle \sigma_{ij}^{\epsilon} \rangle$$

Apparent vs. Effective Material Properties

Huet, C. (1990). "Application of variational concepts to size effects in elastic heterogeneous bodies." *Journal of the Mechanics and Physics of Solids*, 38(6): 813-841.

C = stiffness tensor

finite RVE, **apparent**

$$C_{\sigma}^{\text{app}}(\omega) \leq C \leq C_{\varepsilon}^{\text{app}}(\omega)$$

SUBC

stochastic

infinite RVE, **effective**

KUBC

stochastic

deterministic

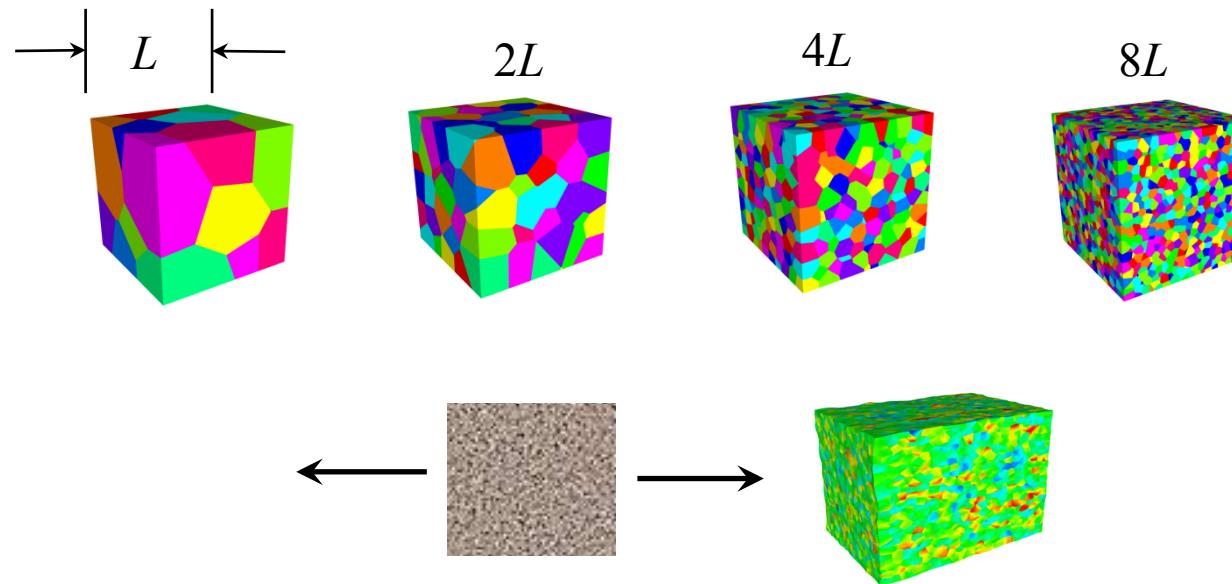
partial ordering defined in an energetic sense:

$$B < A \quad \text{iff} \quad \varepsilon : (A - B) : \varepsilon > 0 \quad \text{for all } \varepsilon \neq 0$$

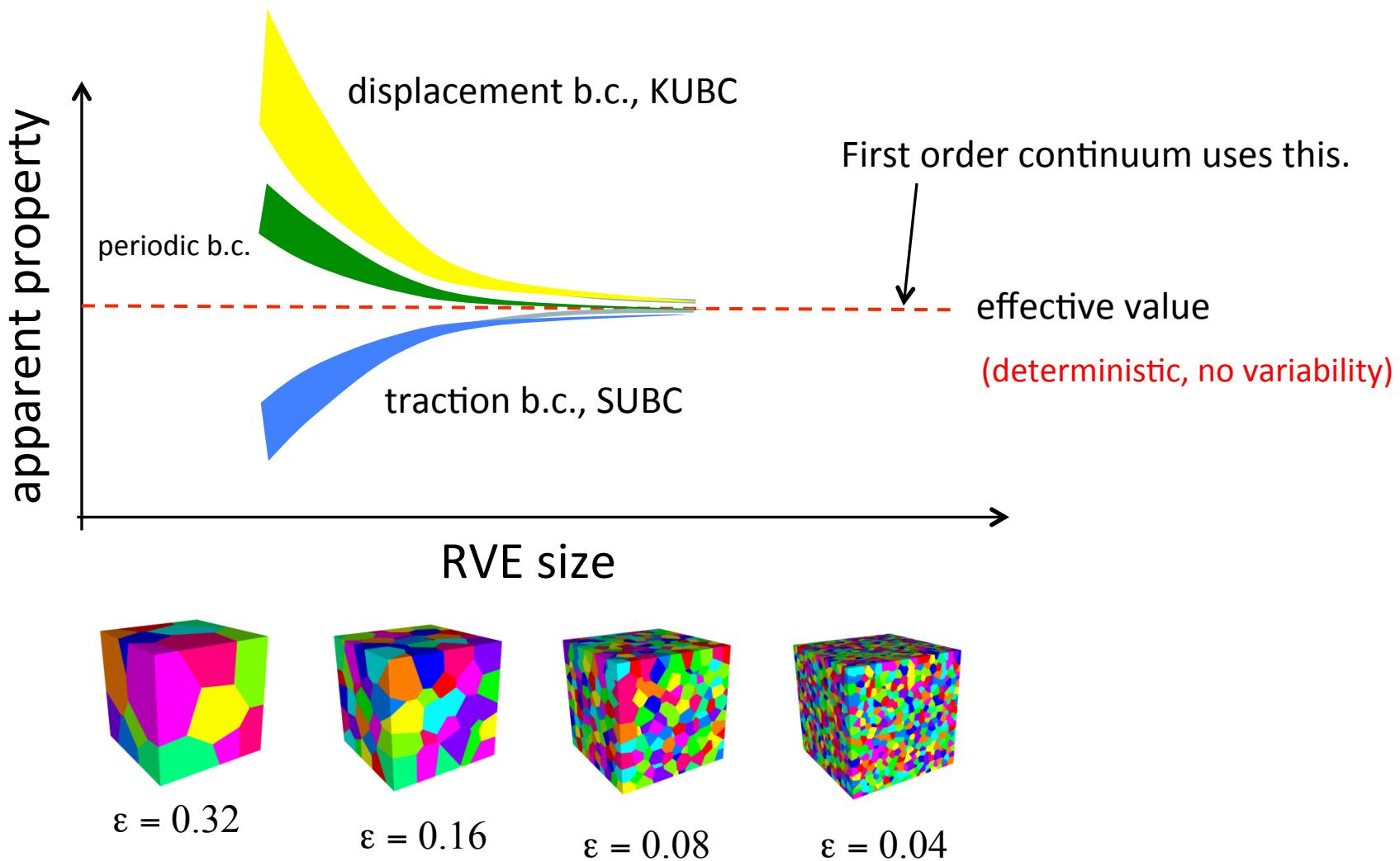
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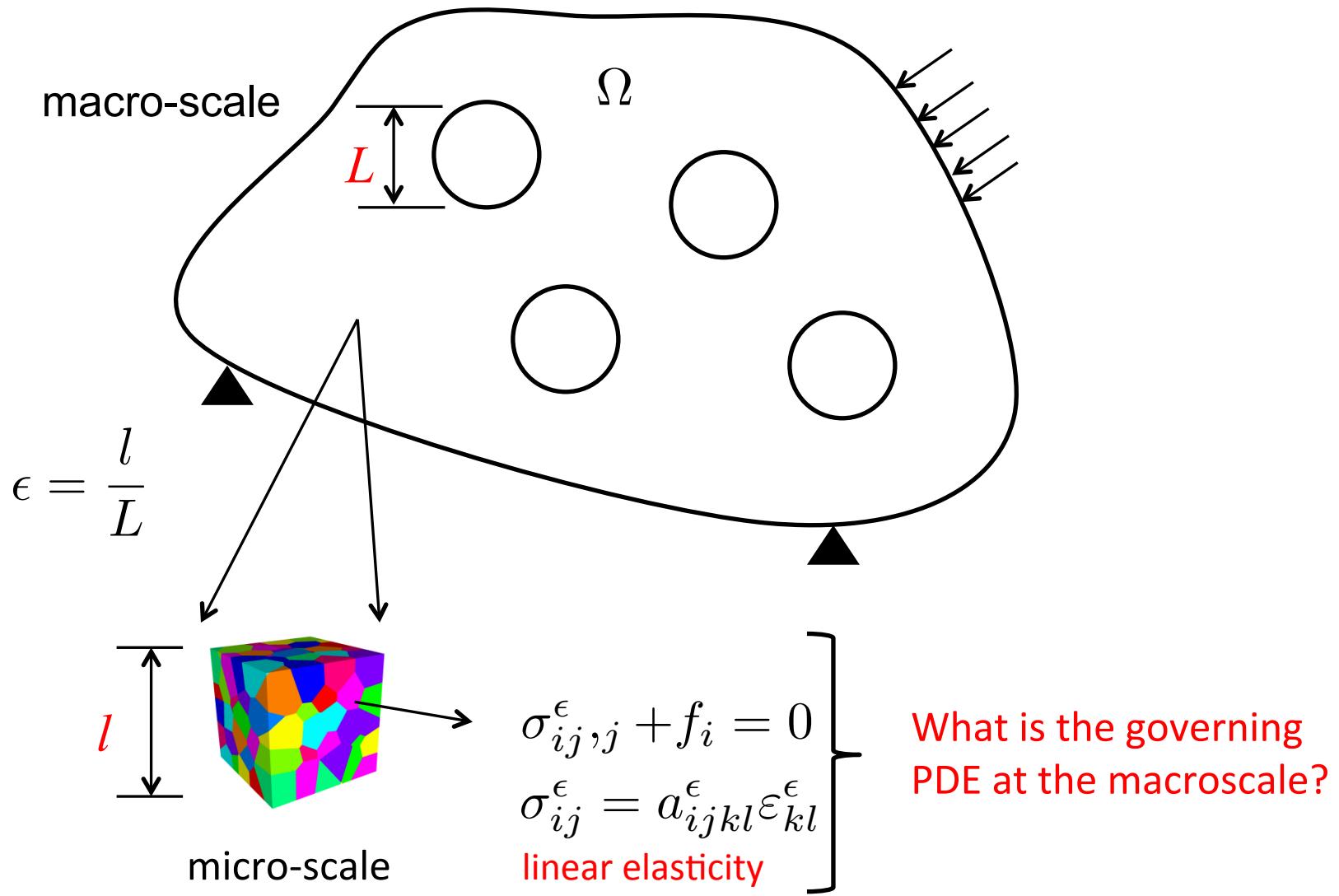
$$C_{\sigma,L}^{\text{app}} \leq C_{\sigma,2L}^{\text{app}} \leq C_{\sigma,4L}^{\text{app}} \leq \cdots \leq C_{\sigma,\infty}^{\text{app}} = C$$



Apparent vs. Effective Material Properties



What about the Governing PDE?



Strong and Weak Convergence

A sequence of functions (u_n) , $u_n \in L^2$ is **strongly** convergent to $u \in L^2$ if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|u_n - u\|_{L^2} = 0$$

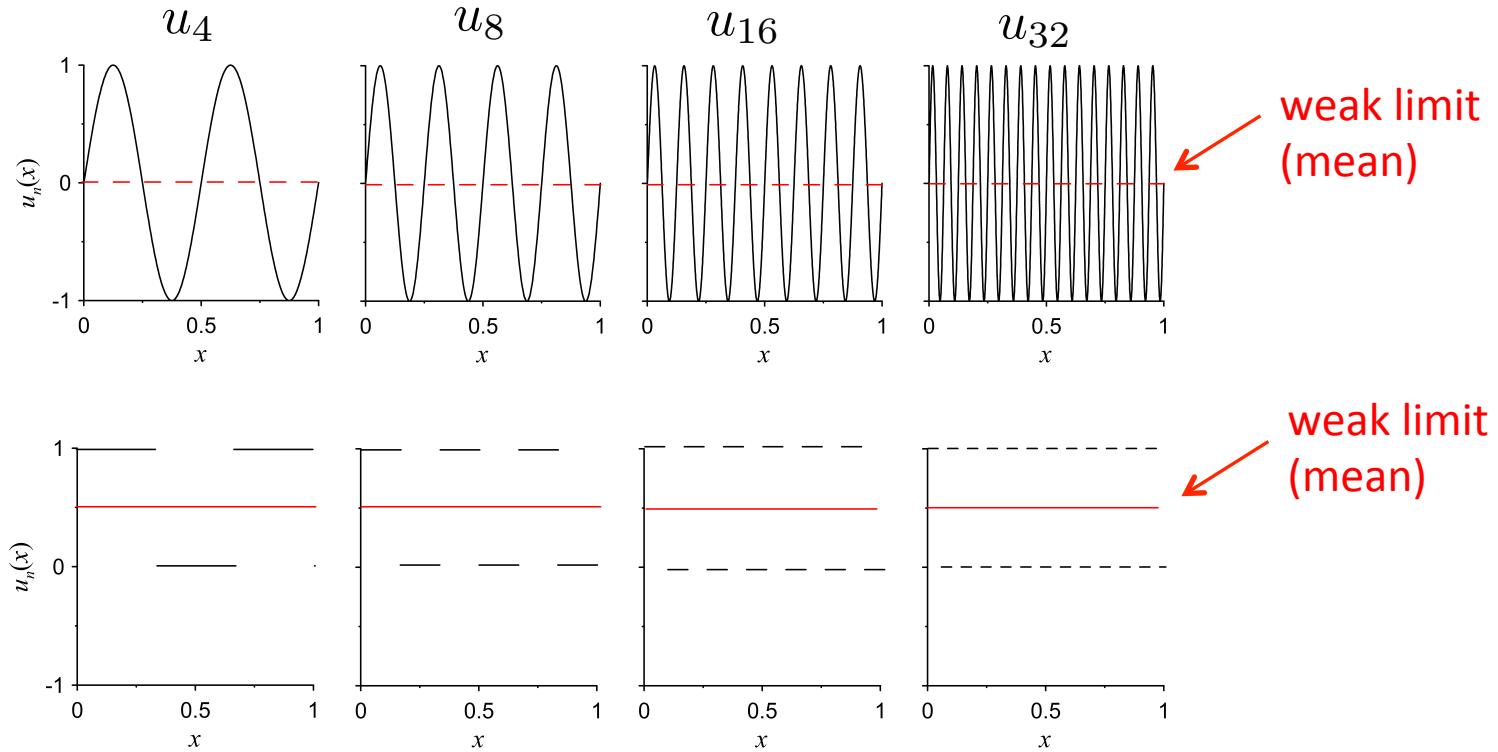
A sequence of functions (u_n) , $u_n \in L^2$ is **weakly** convergent to $u \in L^2$ if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle u_n, v \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle \quad \text{for all } v \in L^2$$

These are the modes of convergence in which homogenization is defined.

Weak Convergence

Example: The sequence of functions $u_n = \sin(n\pi x)$ in $L^2[0, 1]$ converges weakly to $u = 0$.



Theorem: Any sequence of periodic functions converges weakly to the mean as the period approaches zero.

Asymptotic Expansion

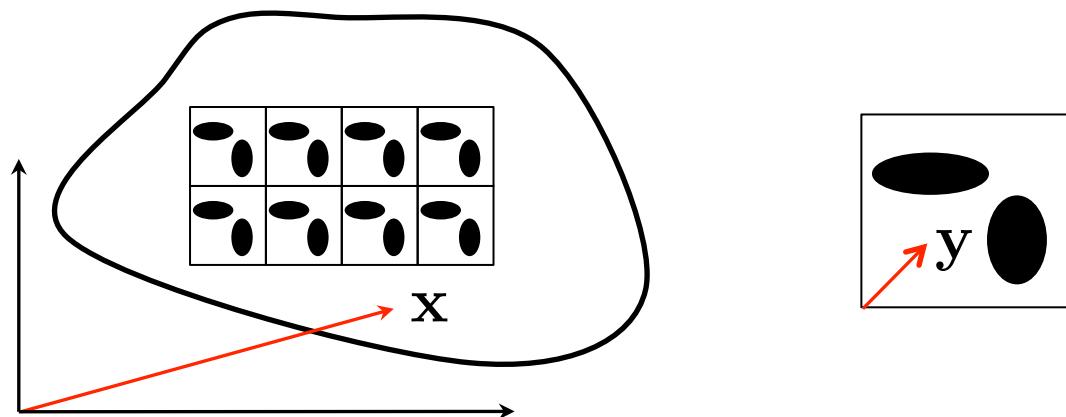
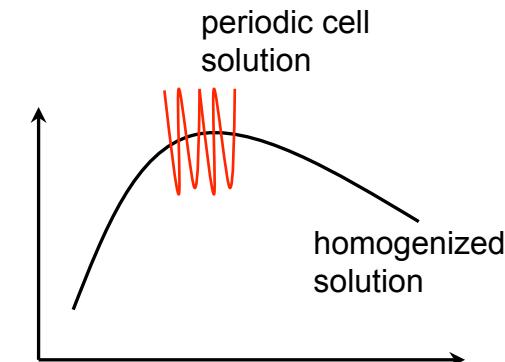
(Cioranescu and Donato, 1999, *An Introduction to Homogenization.*)

$$\mathbf{u}^\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \epsilon \mathbf{u}_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \epsilon^2 \mathbf{u}_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \dots$$

$\mathbf{u}_j(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ are periodic in \mathbf{y}

$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}/\epsilon$ is the 'fast' variable

\mathbf{x} is the 'slow' variable



Linear Homogenization Results

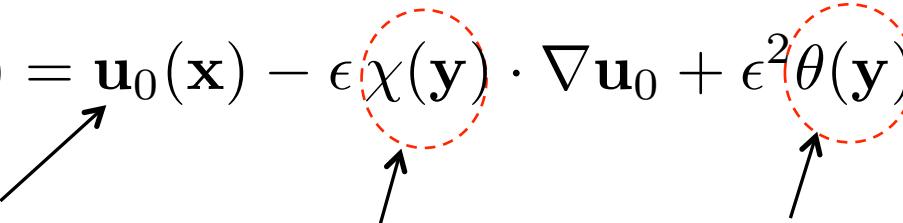
$$\mathbf{u}^\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \epsilon \mathbf{u}_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \epsilon^2 \mathbf{u}_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \dots$$

substitute 

$$\sigma_{ij,j}^\epsilon + f_i = 0$$

$$\sigma_{ij}^\epsilon = a_{ijkl}^\epsilon \varepsilon_{kl}^\epsilon$$

RESULT: $\mathbf{u}^\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}) - \epsilon \chi(\mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}_0 + \epsilon^2 \theta(\mathbf{y}) : \nabla \nabla \mathbf{u}_0 + \dots$



 homogenized solution
 does not depend upon ϵ ! first-order corrector second-order corrector

Observations:

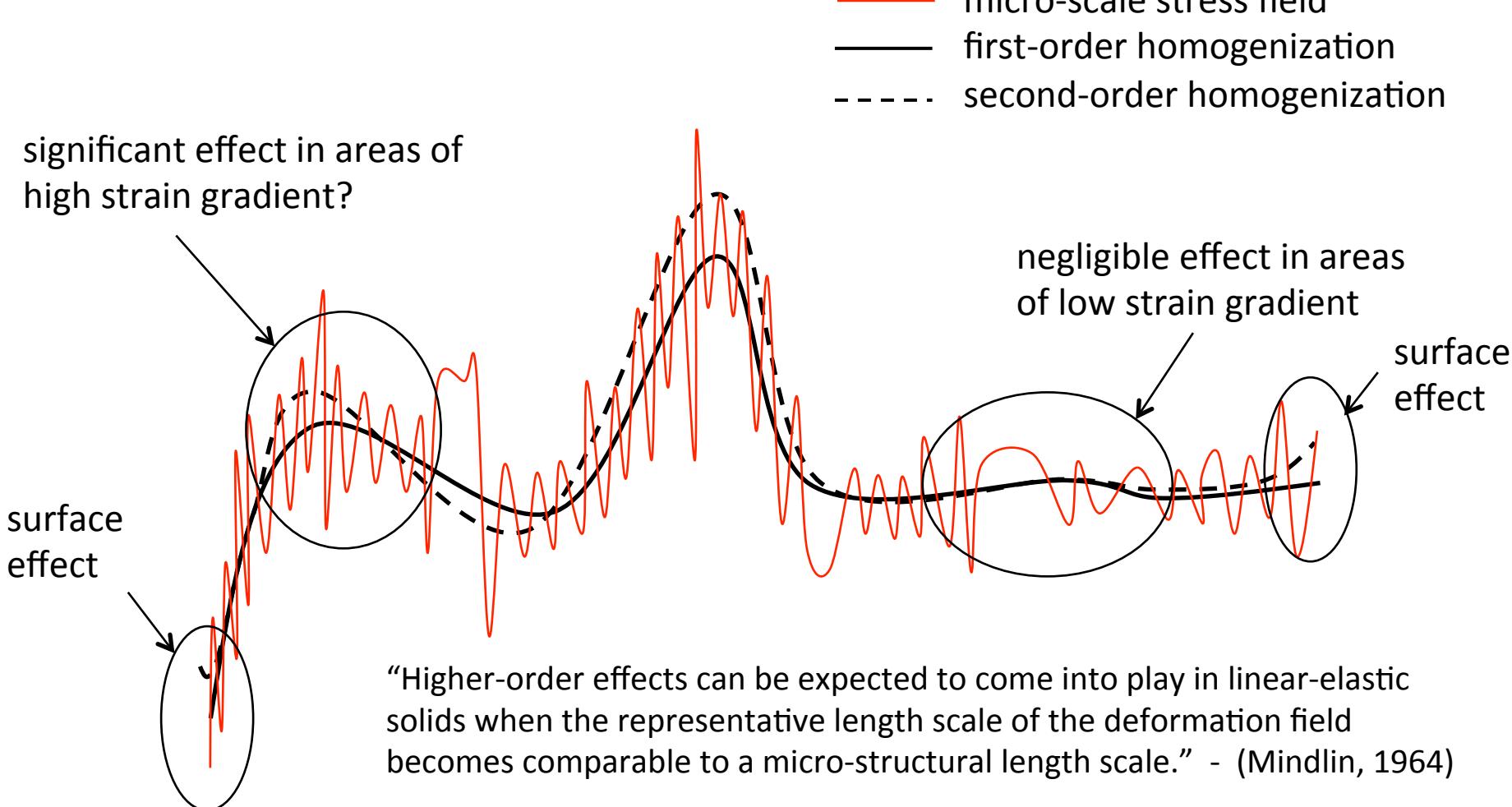
- In the limit as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, get a first-order continuum (homogenized).
- For $\epsilon \neq 0$ need gradient terms (higher-order continuum)

Linear Homogenization Results

(Cioranescu and Donato, 1999, *An Introduction to Homogenization.*)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}^\epsilon &\rightarrow \mathbf{u} \text{ strongly in } L^2 \\ \mathbf{u}^\epsilon &\rightarrow \mathbf{u} \text{ weakly in } H^1 \\ \sigma^\epsilon &\rightarrow \sigma \text{ weakly in } L^2 \\ W^\epsilon &\rightarrow W \text{ strongly in } \mathfrak{R}\end{aligned}$$

Homogenization



Identify Two Types of Material Variability

1. spatial variability of homogenized material constants (Type 1)

- size of microstructure $\varepsilon = 0$
- first-order homogenization, first-order PDE
- spatial correlation at the macro-scale
- elastic isotropy assumption holds regardless of scale

2. higher-order terms in the PDE itself (Type 2)

- micro-structure is finite $\varepsilon \neq 0$
- higher-order PDE
- spatial correlation at the micro-scale only
- anisotropic fluctuations

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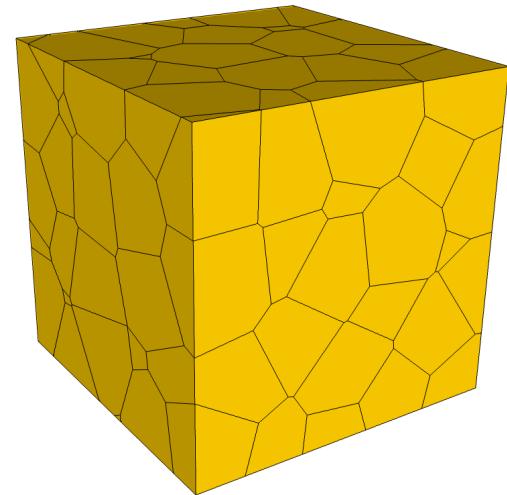
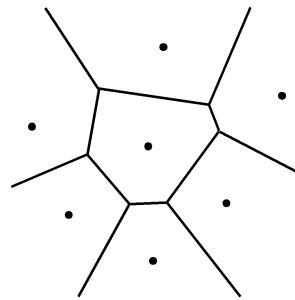
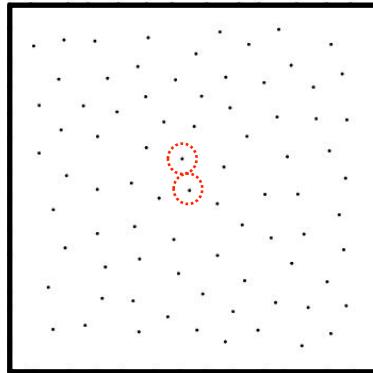
Goals

- Perform direct numerical simulations (DNS) of macroscopic boundary-value problems with microstructure and compare with the solution from the homogenized PDE.
- Identify any evidence of incomplete first-order homogenization.
- Propose/investigate a higher-order continuum theory for Type-2 material variability.

DNS Solutions

- Use Voronoi grains structures resulting from maximal Poisson sampling.
- Use the RPI crystal plasticity model (Dave Littlewood, John Emery)
- Overlay Voronoi grains onto an independent hexahedral mesh of the structure.

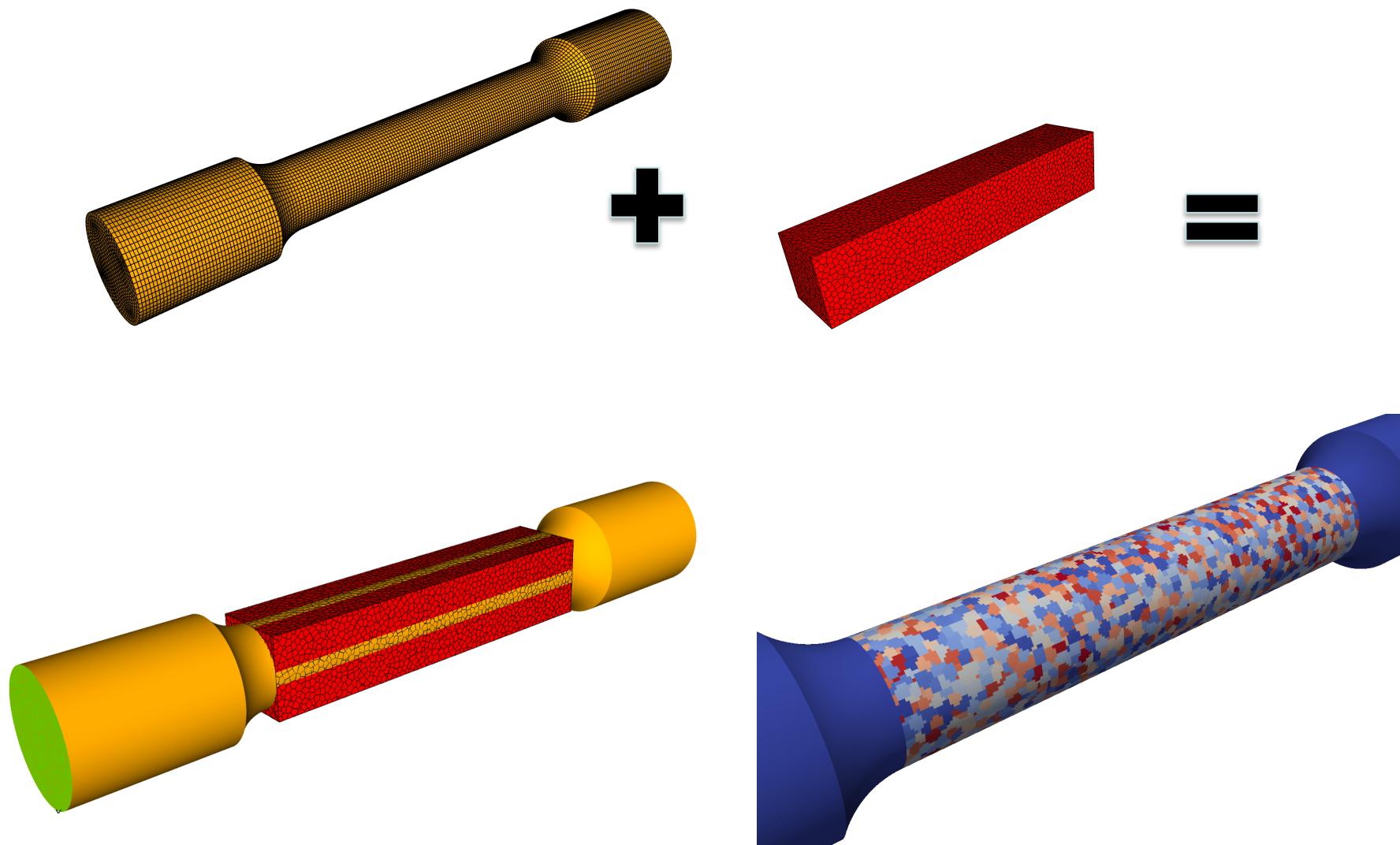
Voronoi Microstructure from MPS Seeding



Maximal Poisson Sampling

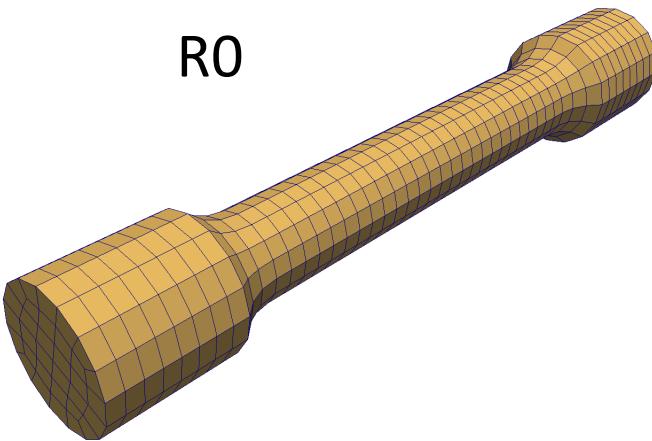
- constraint on min. dist.
- seed until 'max' packing
- Ebeida/Mitchell Algorithm (1400)

Voronoi Overlay of Hexahedral Mesh

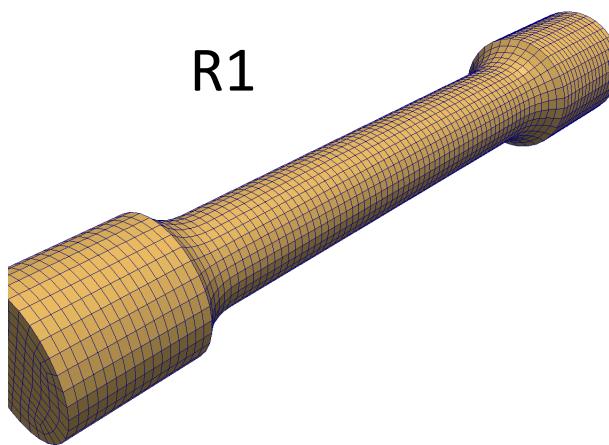


Hierarchy of Hexahedral Meshes

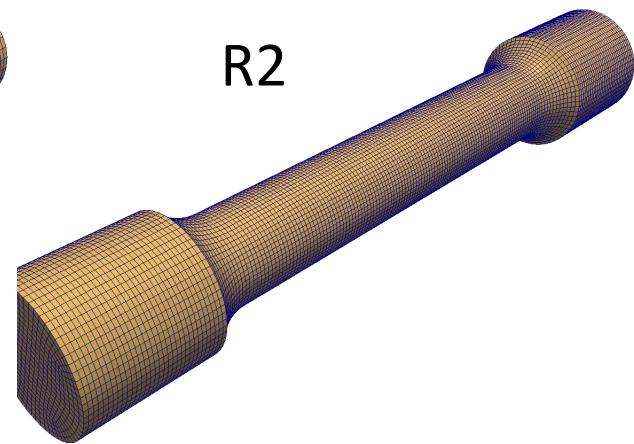
R0



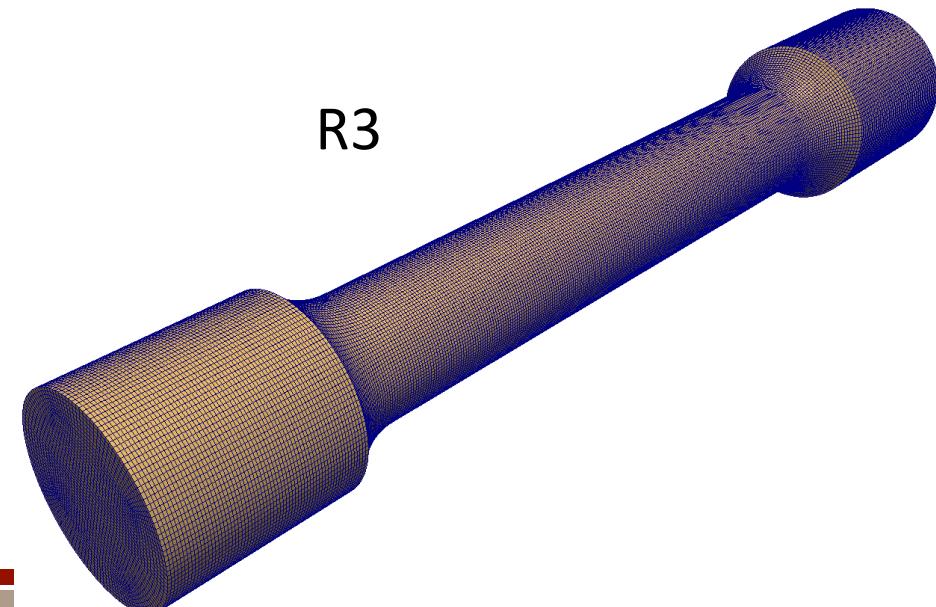
R1



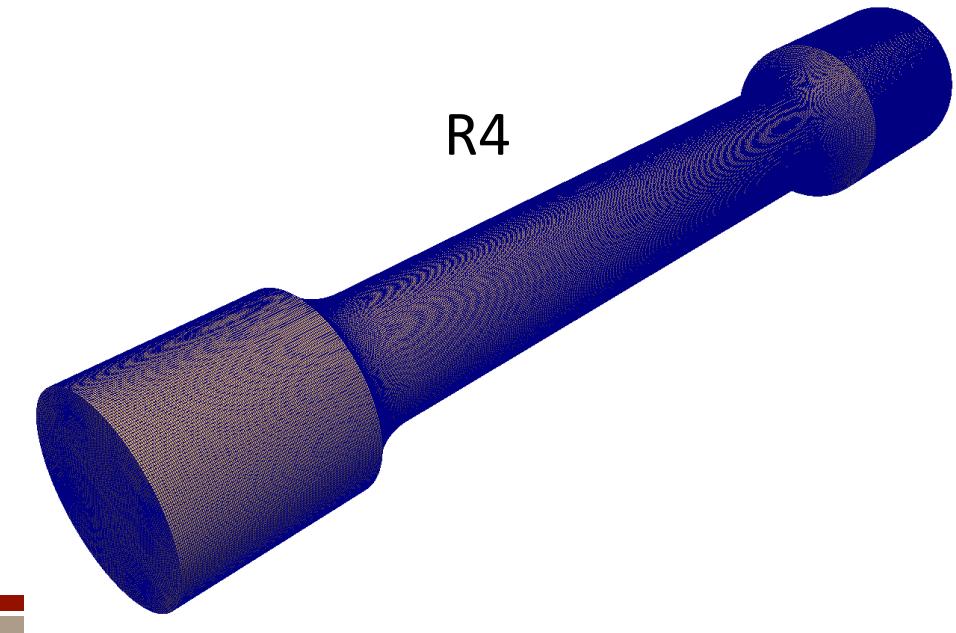
R2



R3



R4



Voronoi Overlay of Hierarchy of Hexahedral Meshes

- One grain realization with ~ 6 grains through the diameter (~ 940 grains)
- Hierarchy of hexahedral meshes
- Pixelation decreases with mesh refinement

R0

~ 1 hex per grain

R1

~ 8 hexas per grain

R2

~ 64 hexas per grain

R3

~ 512 hexas per grain

R4

~ 4096 hexas per grain

Voronoi Overlay of Hierarchy of Hexahedral Meshes

One grain realization with ~ 12 grains through the diameter (~ 6200 grains)

R1

R2

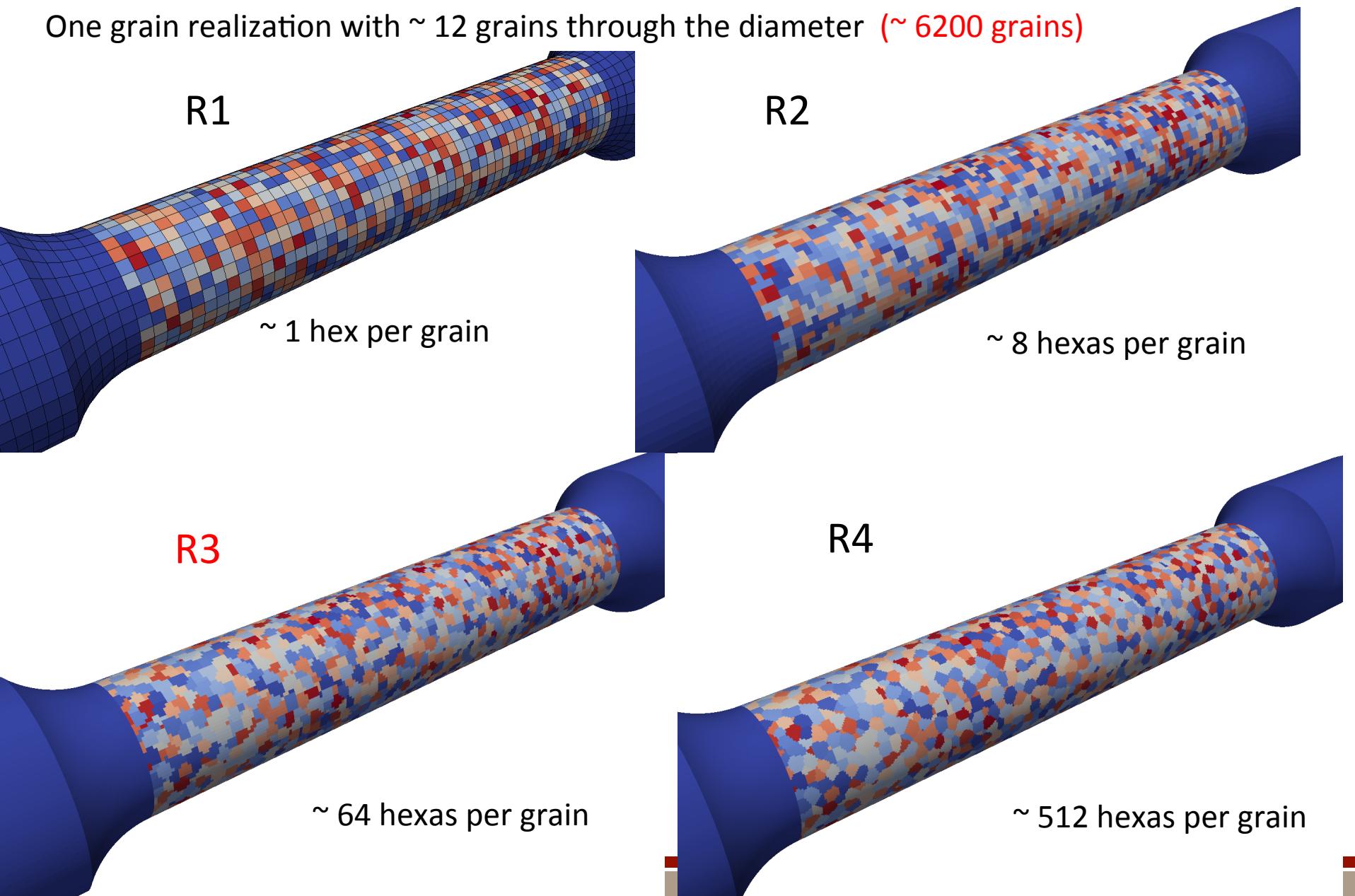
~ 1 hex per grain

R3

~ 64 hexas per grain

R4

~ 512 hexas per grain



304L Single Crystal Elasticity Constants

(Ledbetter, 1984)

single crystal elastic constants (**cubic symmetry**)

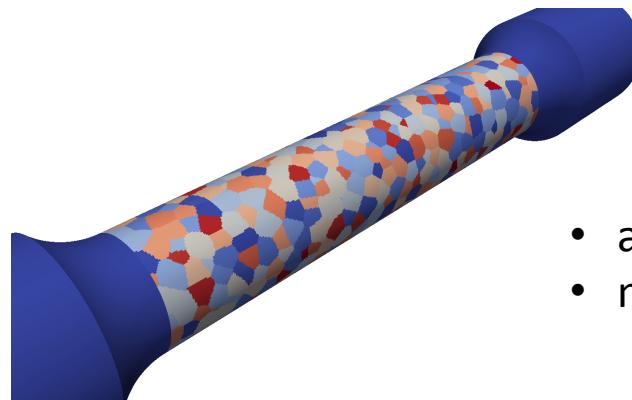
$$C_{11} = 204.6 \text{ GPa}$$

$$C_{12} = 137.7 \text{ GPa}$$

$$C_{44} = 126.2 \text{ GPa}$$

anisotropy ratio,

$$A = \frac{2C_{12}}{C_{11} - C_{44}} = 3.5$$



- assume random crystallographic orientations
- no correlation between grains (no texture)

RPI Crystal Plasticity Model

(Dave Littlewood, John Emery, Chris Weinberger)

plastic velocity gradient:

$$L^p = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \dot{\gamma}^\alpha P^\alpha \quad (\text{sum over slip systems})$$

Schmid tensor:

$$P^\alpha = m^\alpha \otimes n^\alpha$$

slip system slip rates:

$$\dot{\gamma}^\alpha = \dot{\gamma}_o \frac{\tau^\alpha}{g^\alpha} \left| \frac{\tau^\alpha}{g^\alpha} \right|^{1/m-1}$$

slip system hardening:

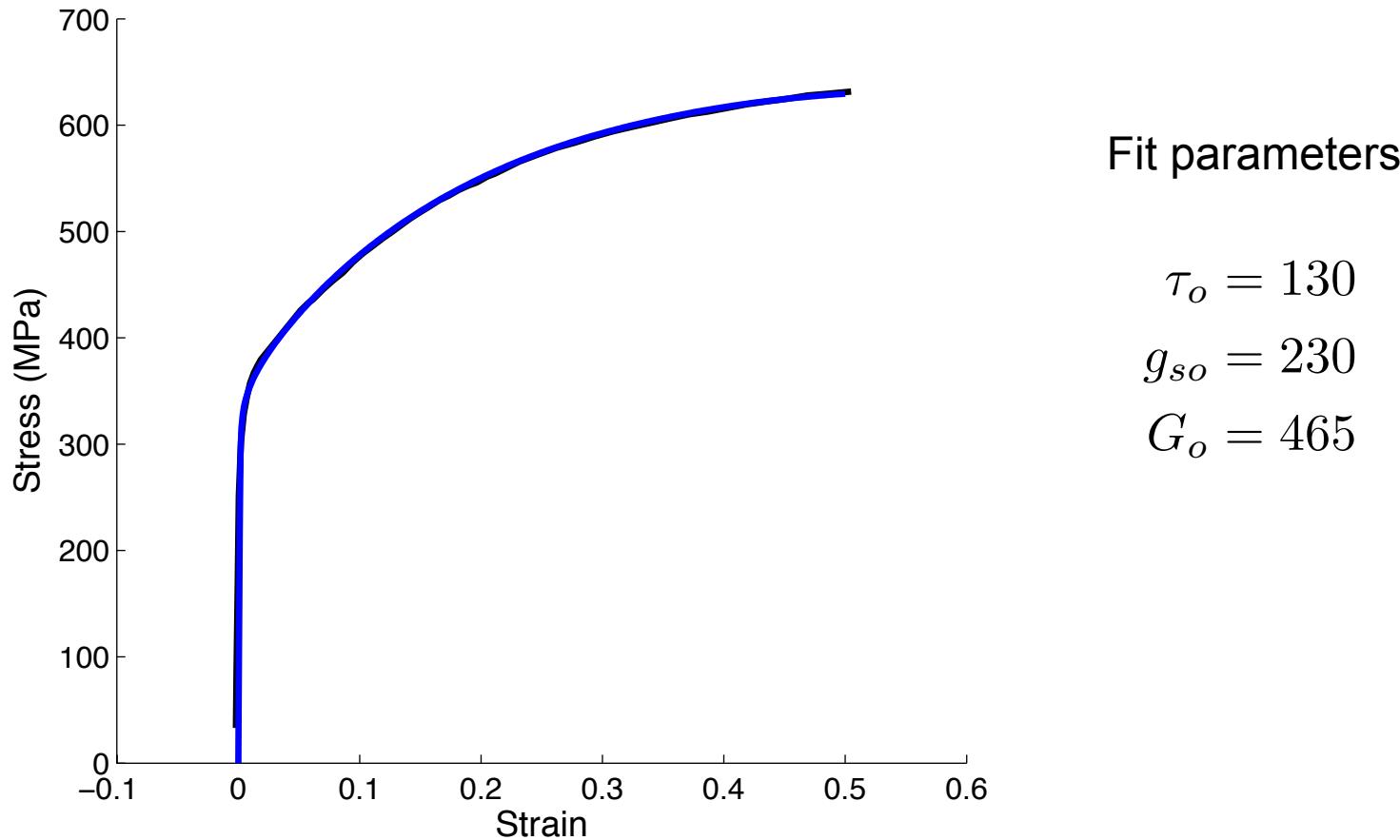
$$g = g_o + (g_{so} - g_o) \left[1 - \exp \left(-\frac{G_o}{g_{so} - g_o} \gamma \right) \right]$$

$$\gamma = \sum_{s=1}^N |\gamma^s|$$

Fit to 304L

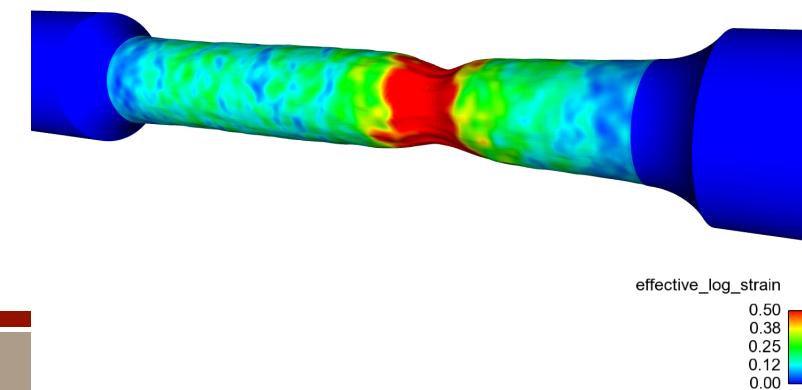
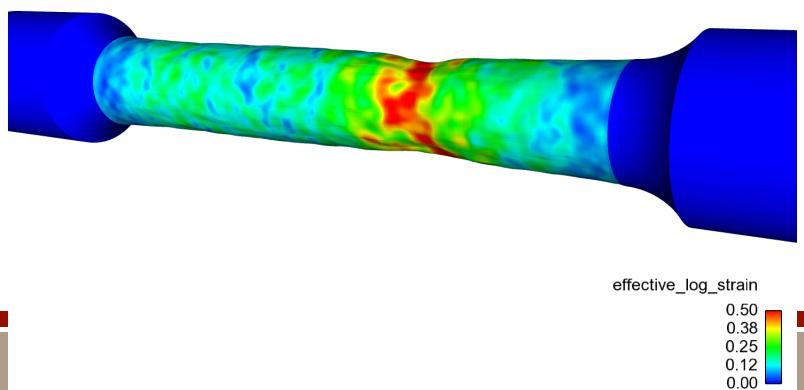
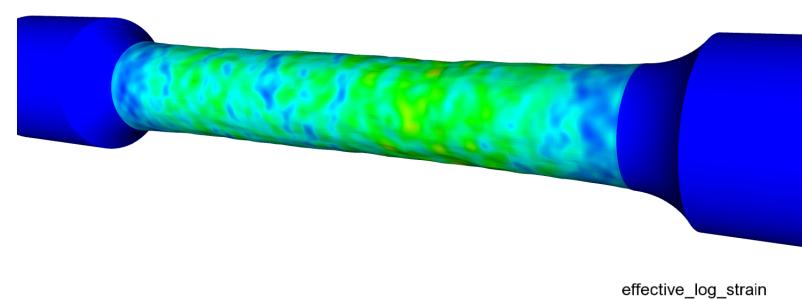
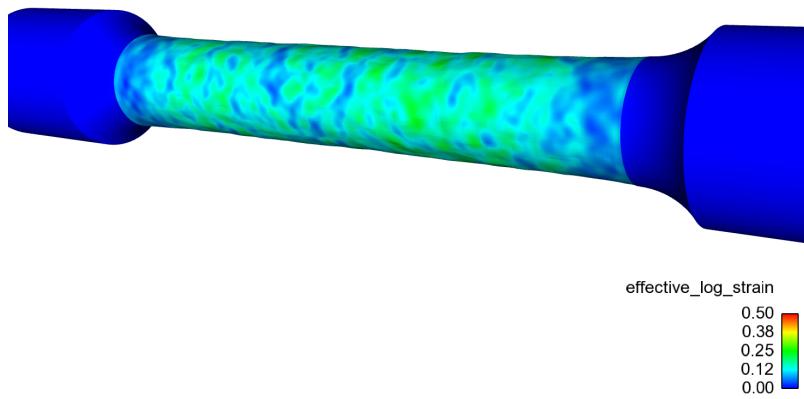
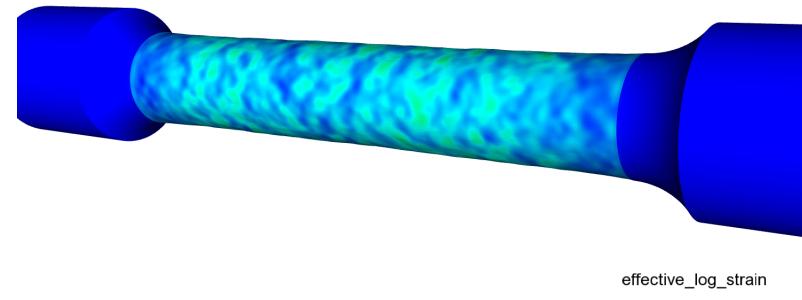
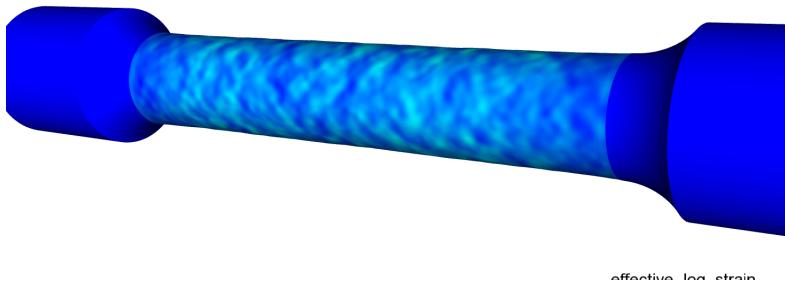
(Chris Weinberger)

Fit compared to experimental (polycrystal)

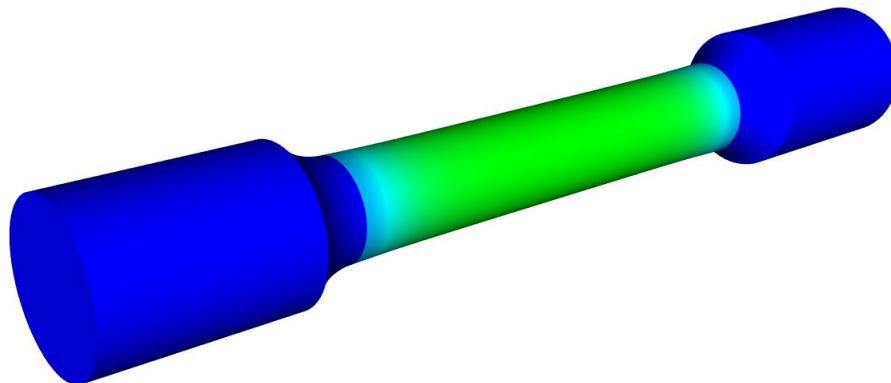


Uniaxial Tension, Displacement Control

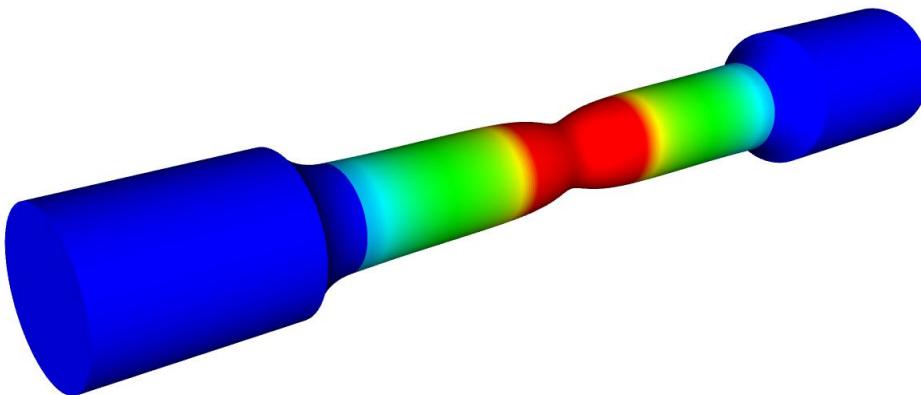
~ 12 grains across diameter, R3 mesh



Compare with Homogenized PDE (No Variability)

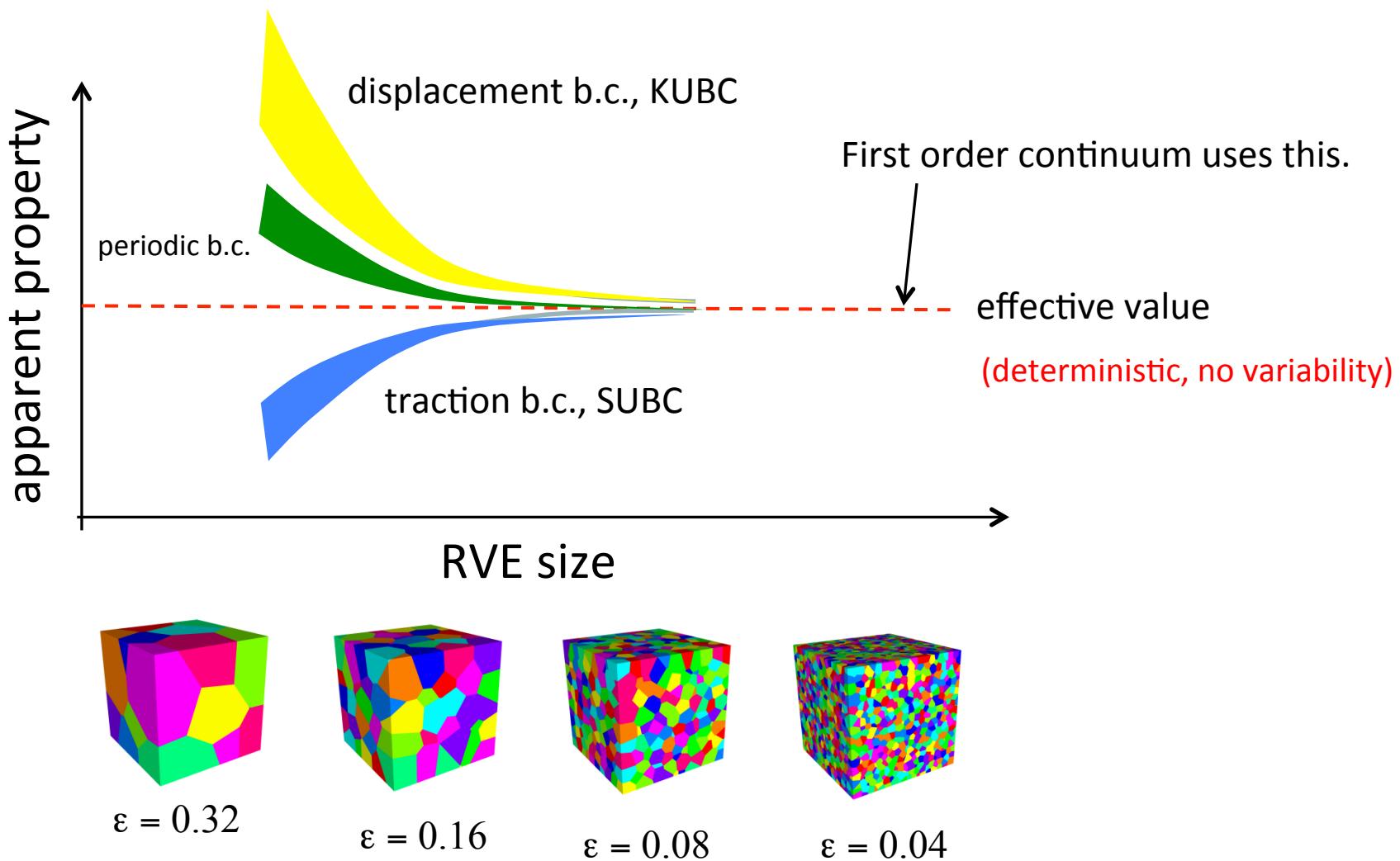


before necking



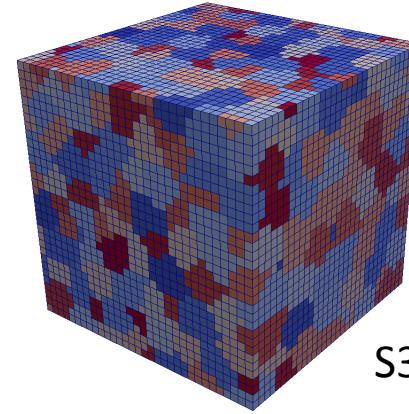
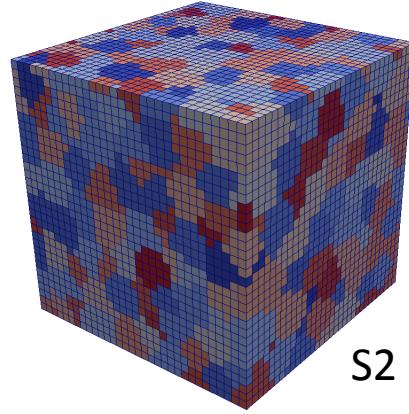
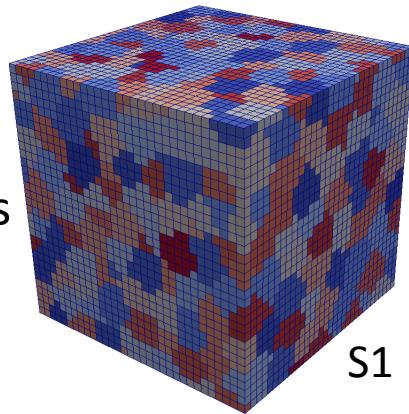
- symmetric
- neck is exactly at center

Apparent vs. Effective Material Properties



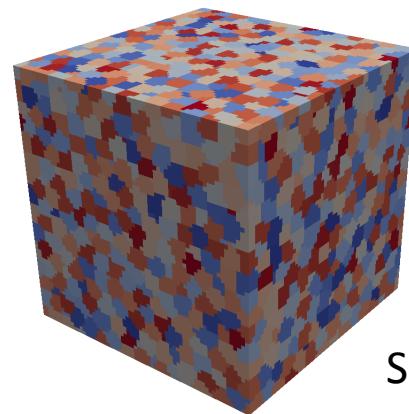
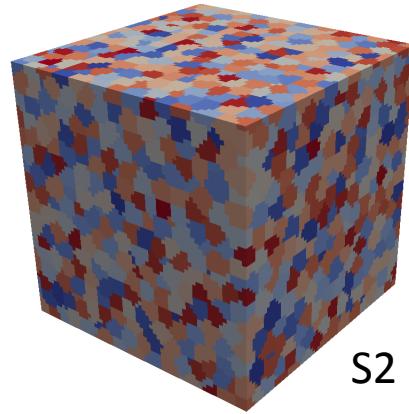
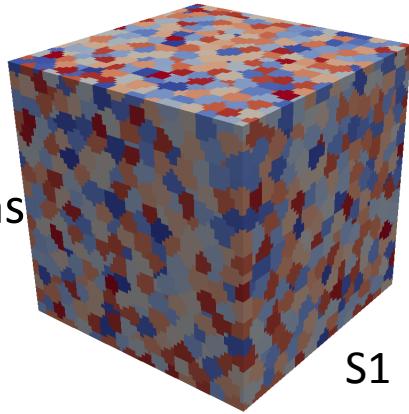
Stochastic Volume Elements

$\sim 8^3$ grains



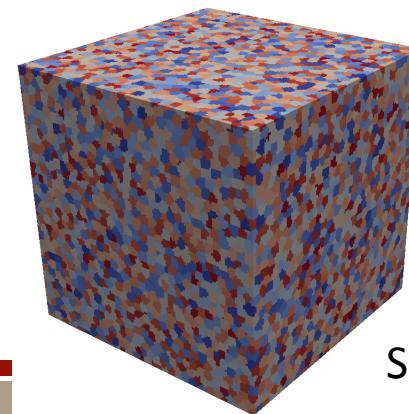
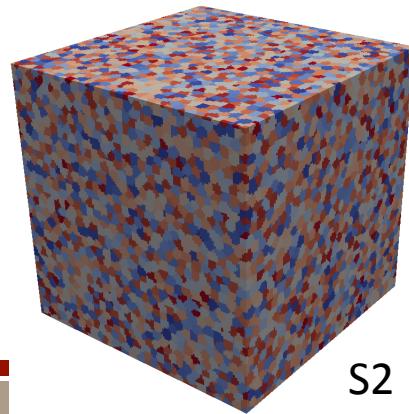
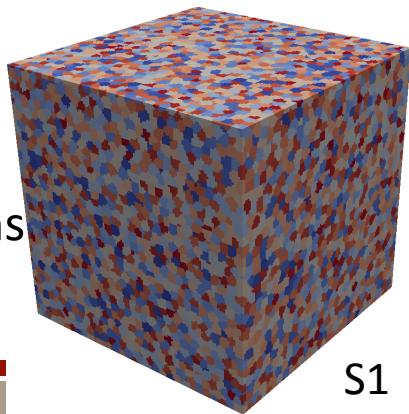
$\dots S100$

$\sim 16^3$ grains



$\dots S100$

$\sim 32^3$ grains

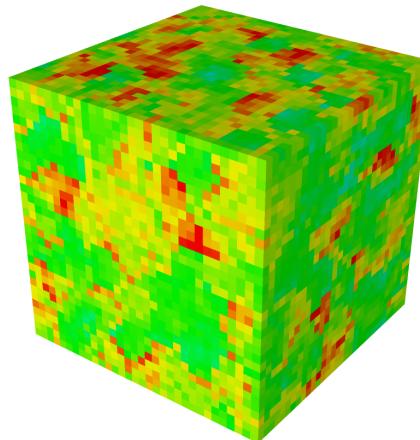


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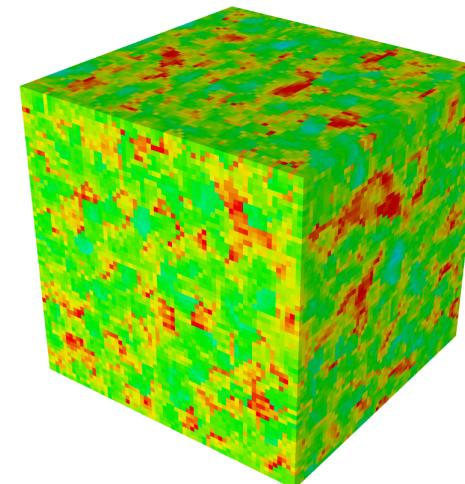
Stochastic Volume Elements

- traction boundary conditions corresponding to uniaxial stress state
- ideally would use periodic boundary conditions (couldn't get working in Adagio)
- recover average strain field
- calculate apparent moduli
- 100 realizations at each grain level
- take average

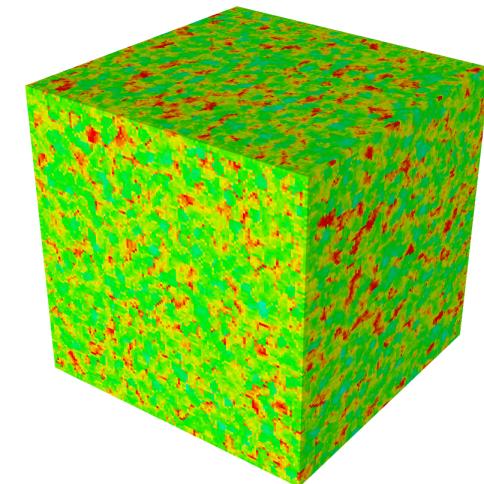
Von Mises stress field



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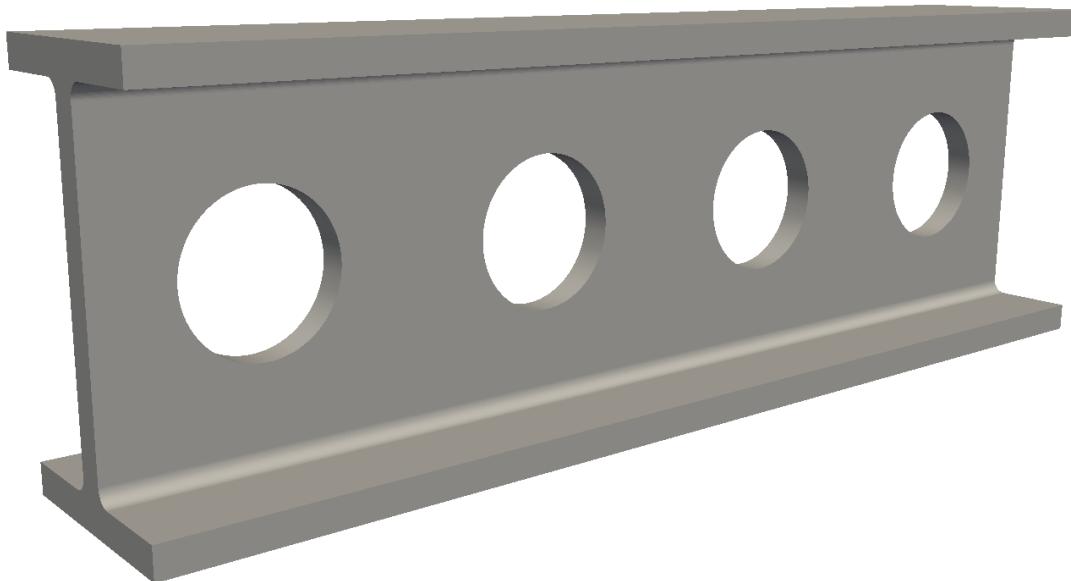
Convergence to Effective Isotropic Properties

- mean of 100 simulations at each “grain level”
- rational function extrapolation to ∞
- first order convergence rate

number of grains	apparent Young's Modulus (GPa)	apparent Poisson's ratio
$\sim 8^3$ grains	177.2	0.317
$\sim 16^3$ grains	180.6	0.312
$\sim 32^3$ grains	182.4	0.310
∞	184.1	0.309

These values will be used as the homogenized, isotropic properties.

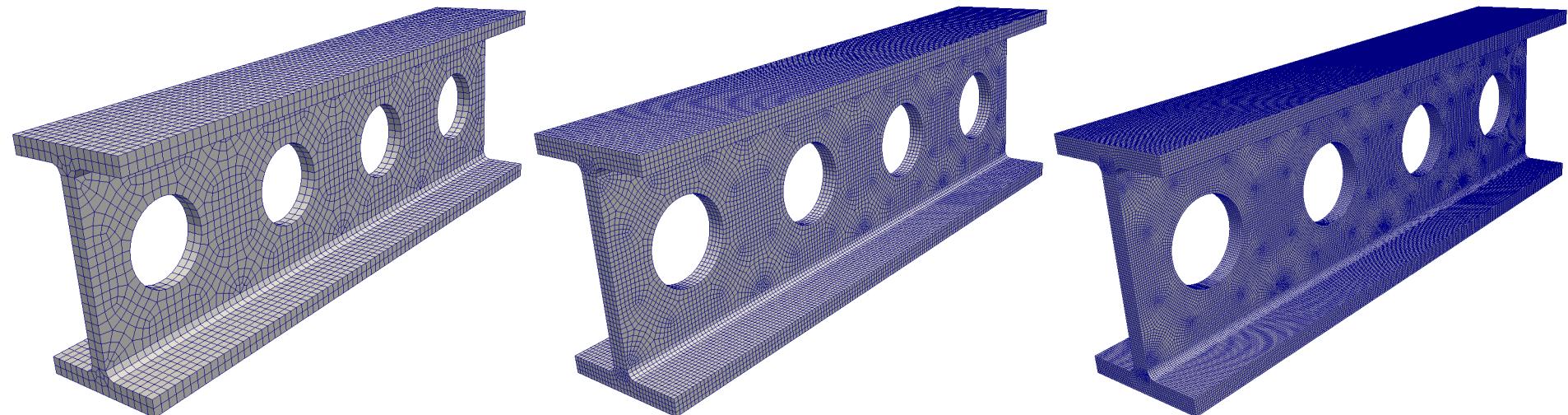
I-Beam Example



- tension
- bending
- torsion

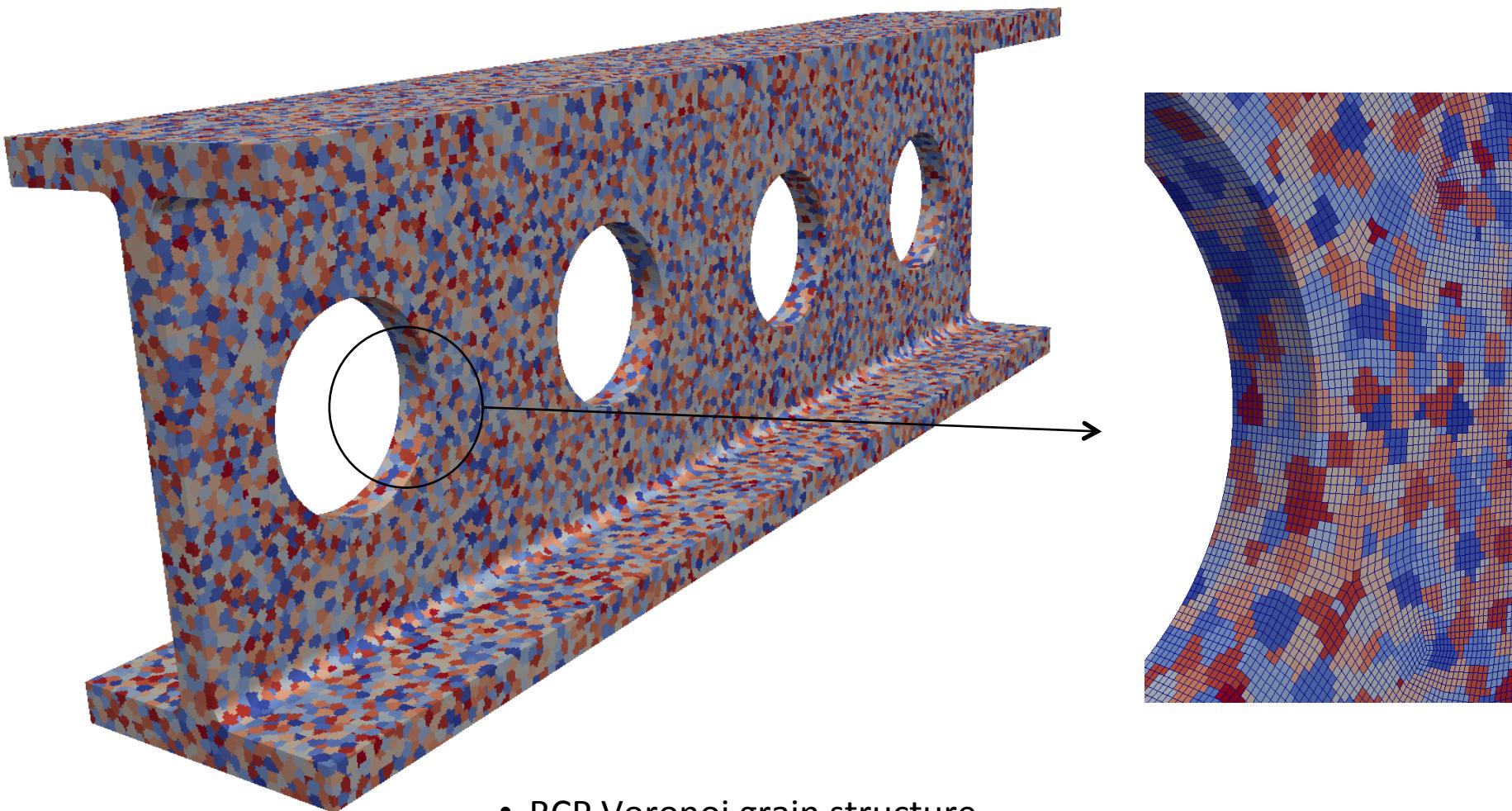
- Study statistics of direct numerical simulations
- Compare to homogenized solution
- Look for evidence of Type 2 material variability

Hierarchy of Hexahedral Meshes



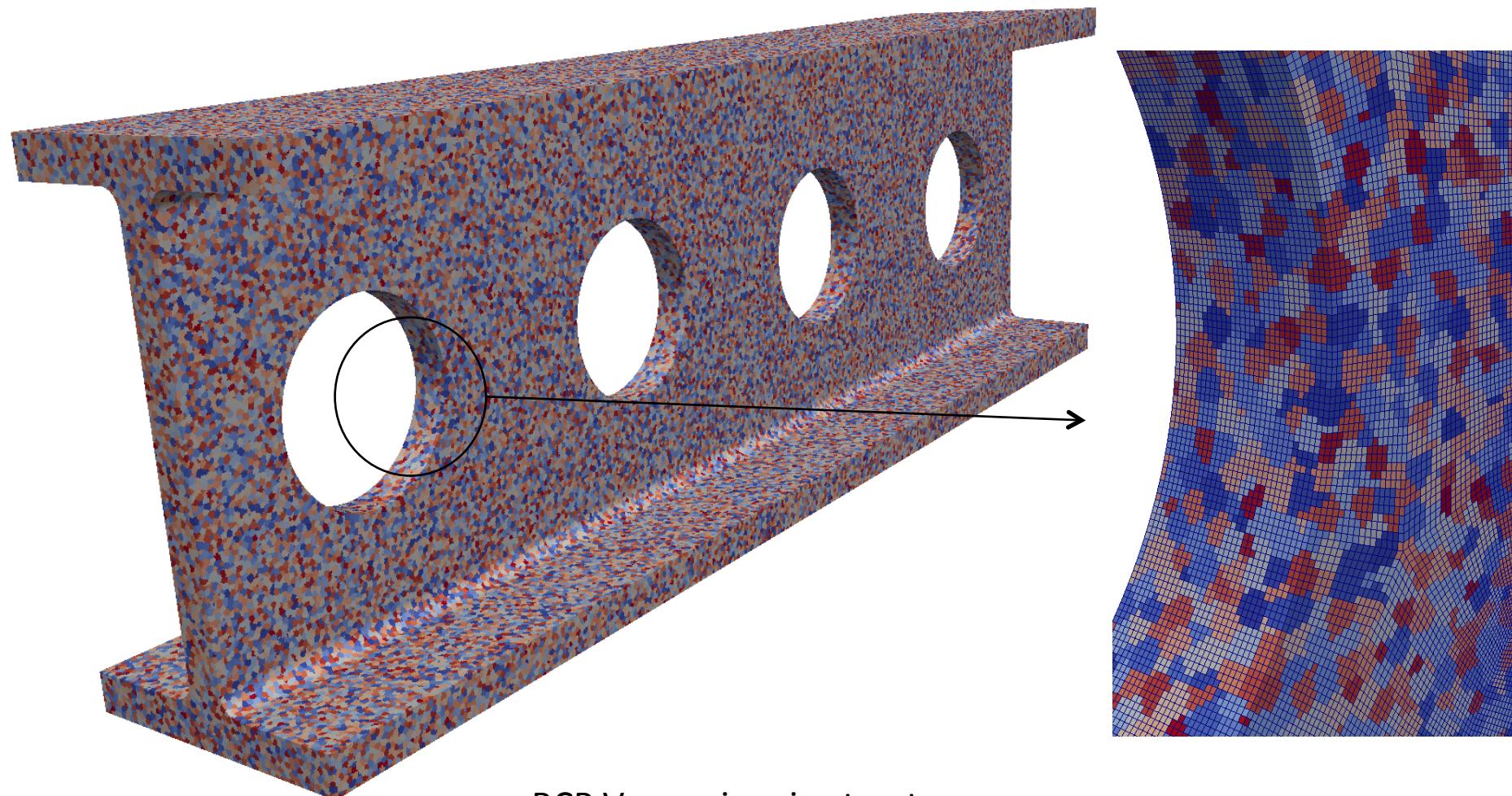
- R0
 - 8,576 hexas
- R1
 - 69K hexas
- R2
 - 549K hexas
- R3
 - 4.4M hexas
- R4
 - 35M hexas

Thickness/grain ratio = 4



- RCP Voronoi grain structure
- 60K grains
- hex mesh overlay = R3 (4.4M elements)

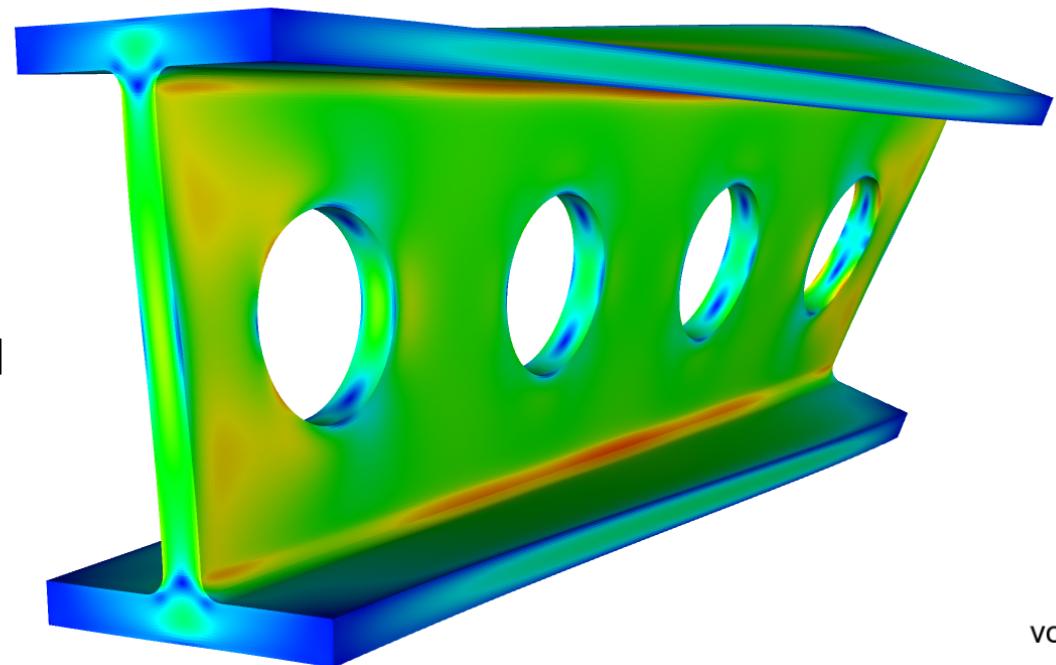
Thickness/grain ratio = 8



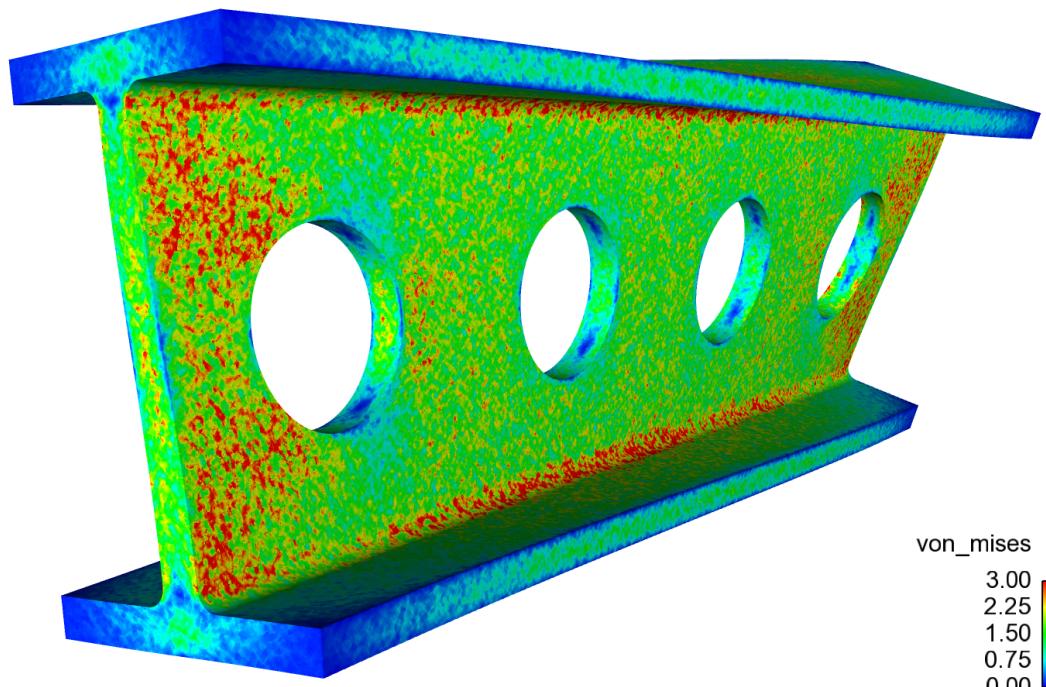
- RCP Voronoi grain structure
- 420K grains
- hex mesh overlay = R4 (35M elements)

Thickness/grain ratio = 8

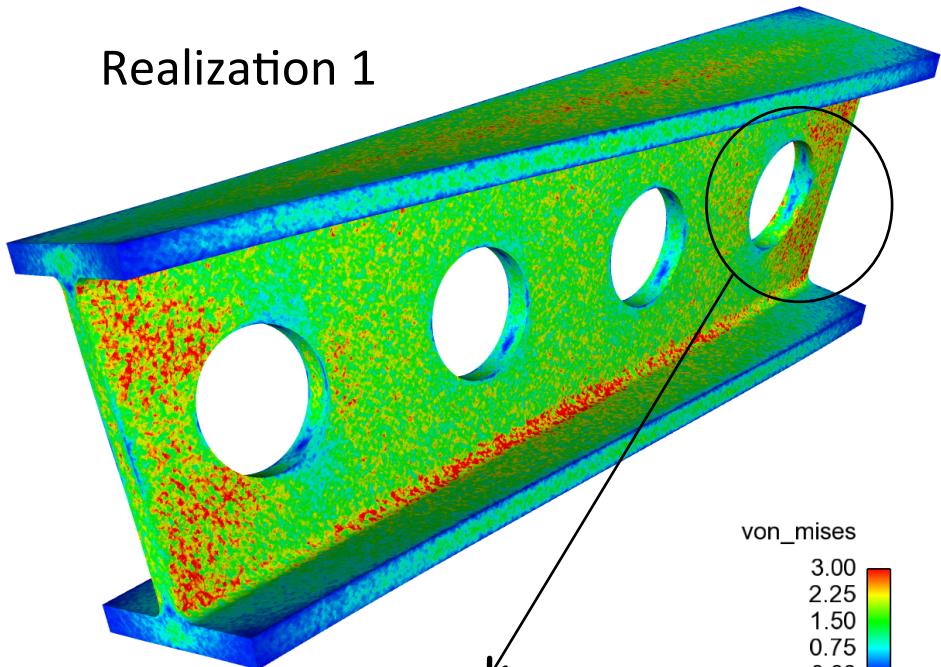
VM stress field, Homogenized



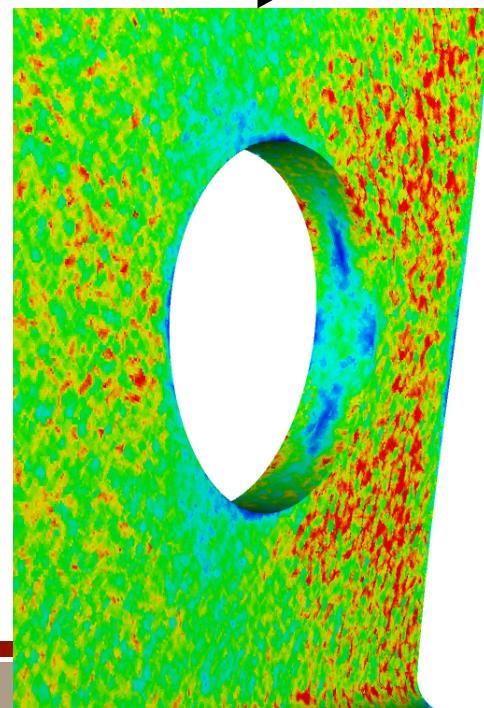
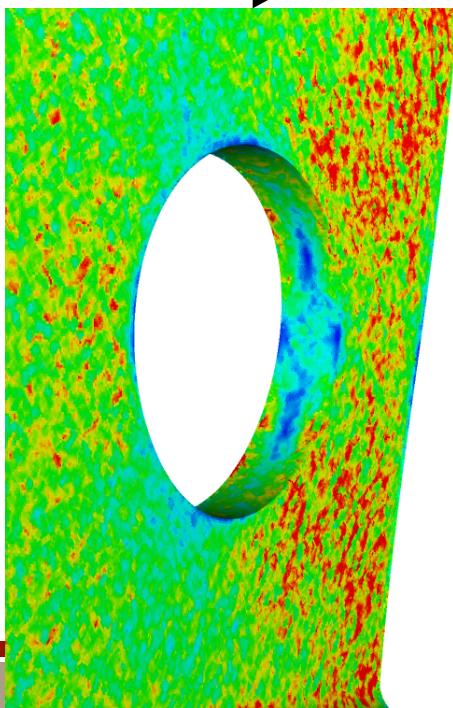
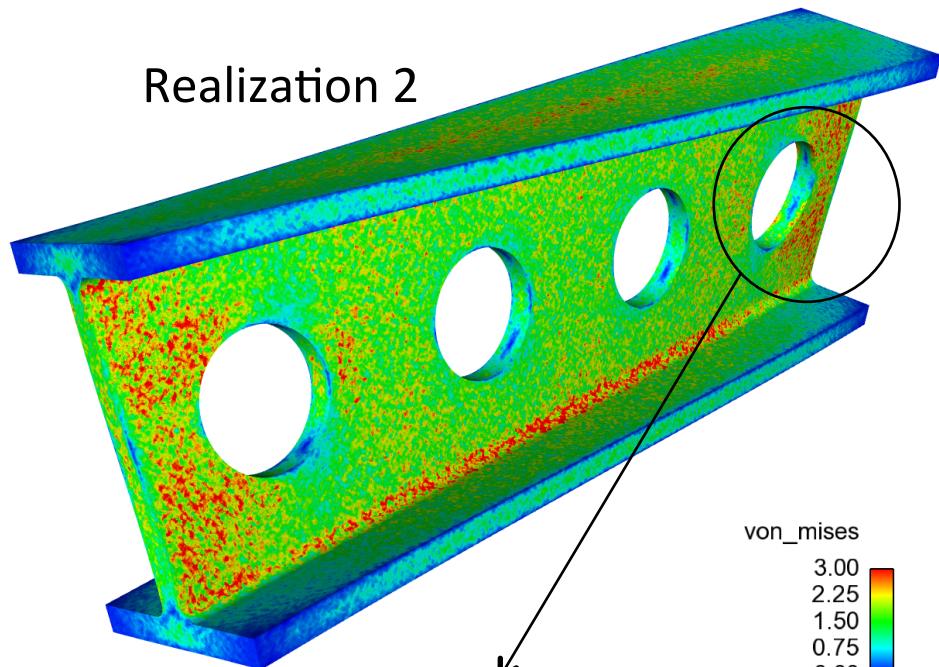
VM stress field, DNS



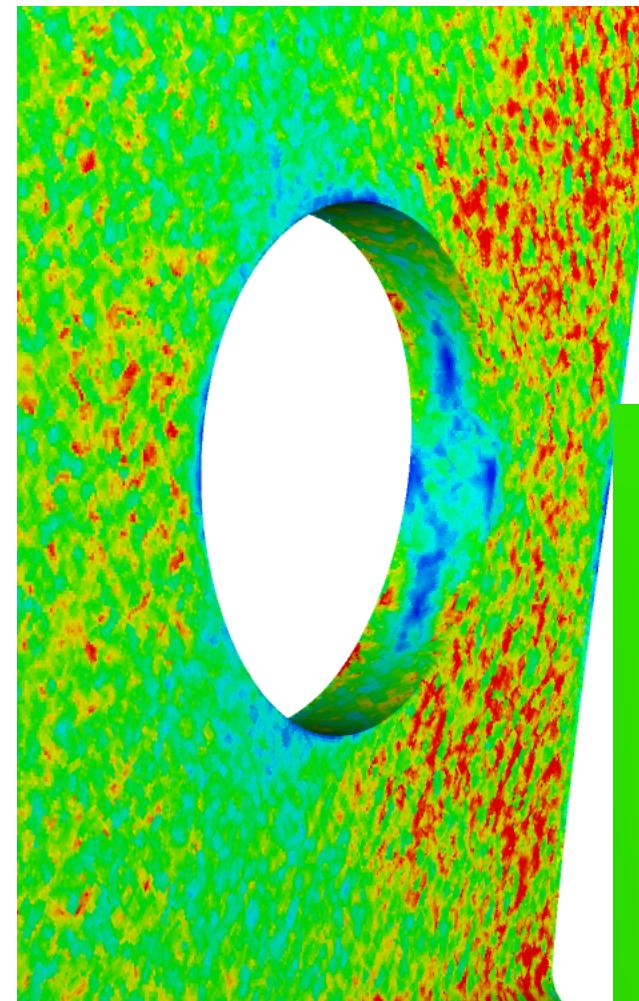
Realization 1



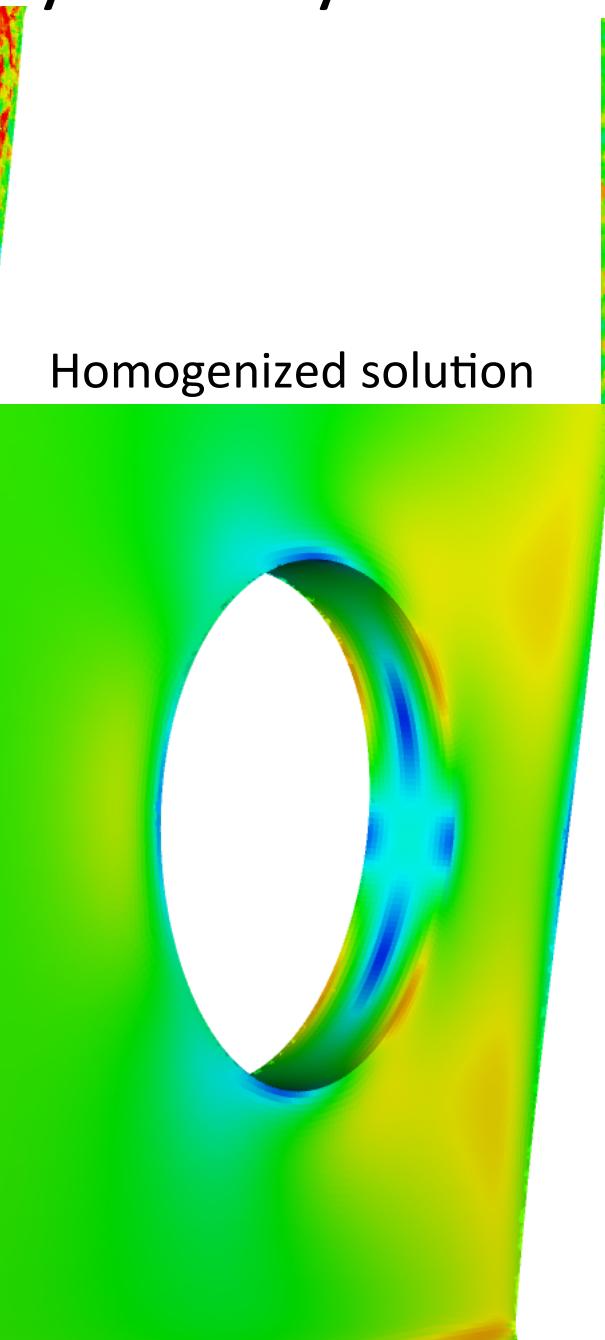
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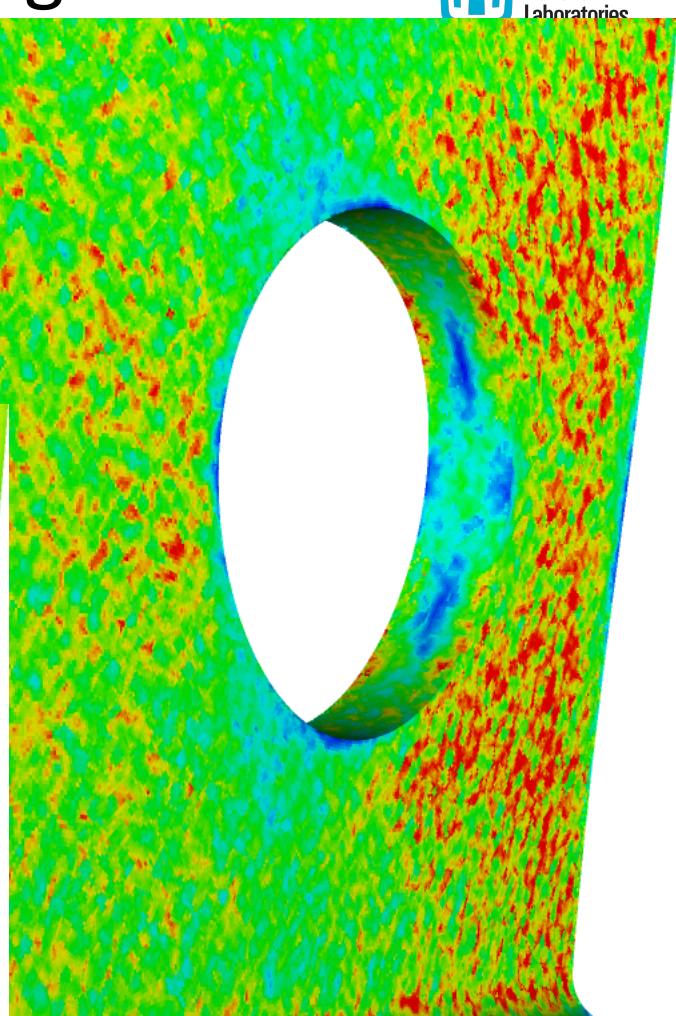
Symmetry Breaking



Realization 1



Homogenized solution

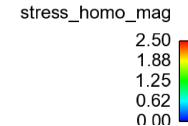
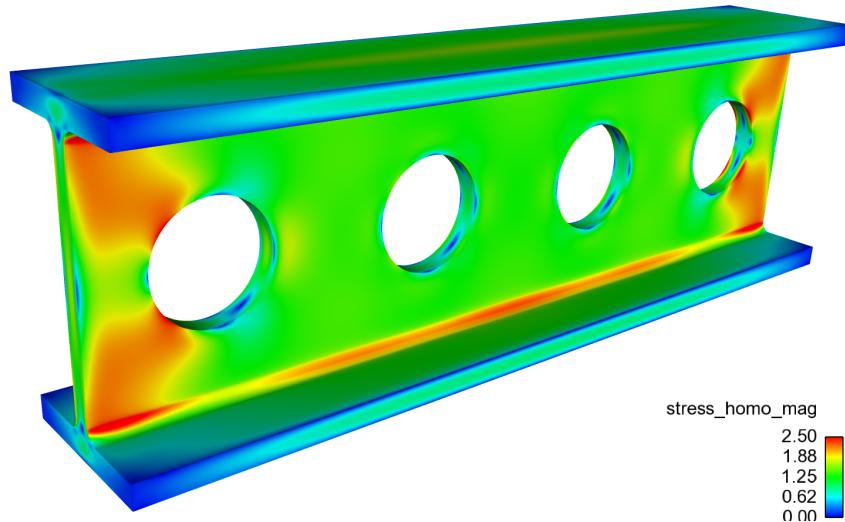


Realization 2

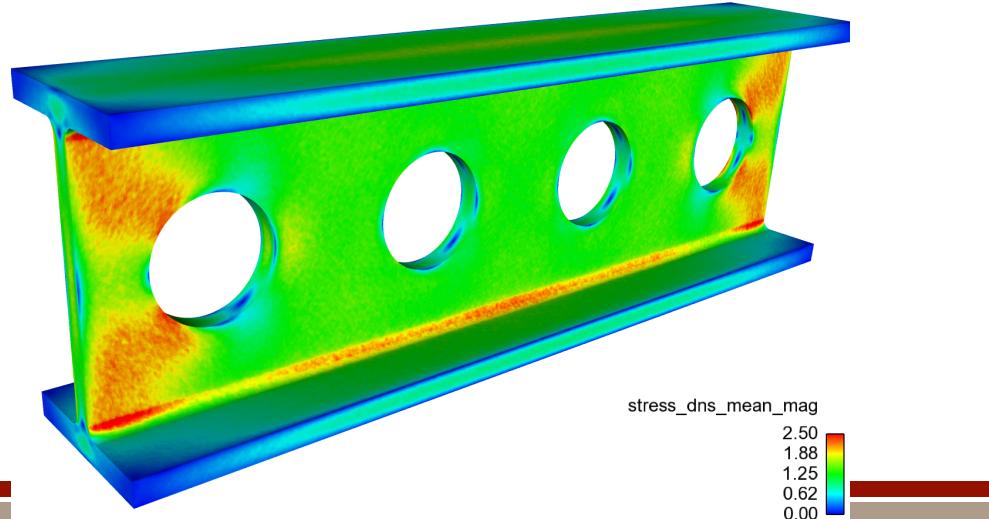
Ensemble Results

- 100 realizations for thickness/grain ratio = 4
- 62 realizations for thickness/grain ratio = 8
- magnitude of ensemble average stress tensor
- standard deviation of stress ensemble
- magnitude of difference of ensemble average stress tensor and homogeneous solution
- projection of DNS solutions to coarse scale mesh and repeat

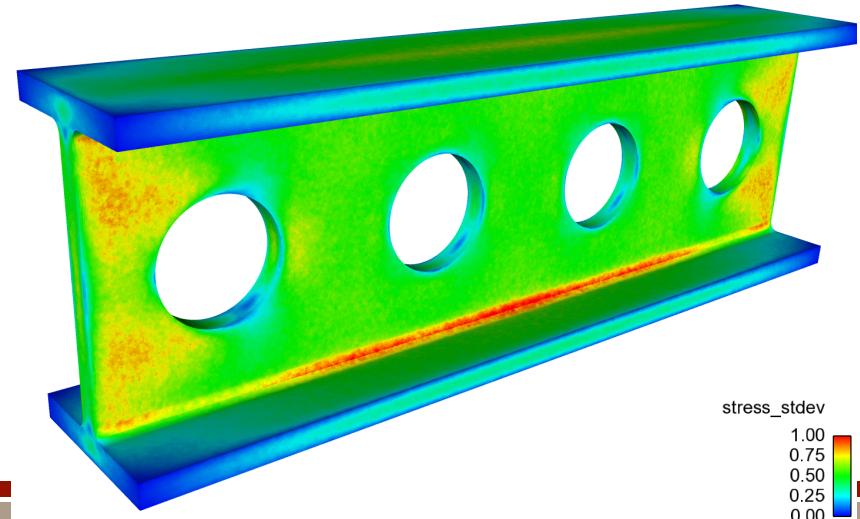
Ensemble Results, 62 Realizations



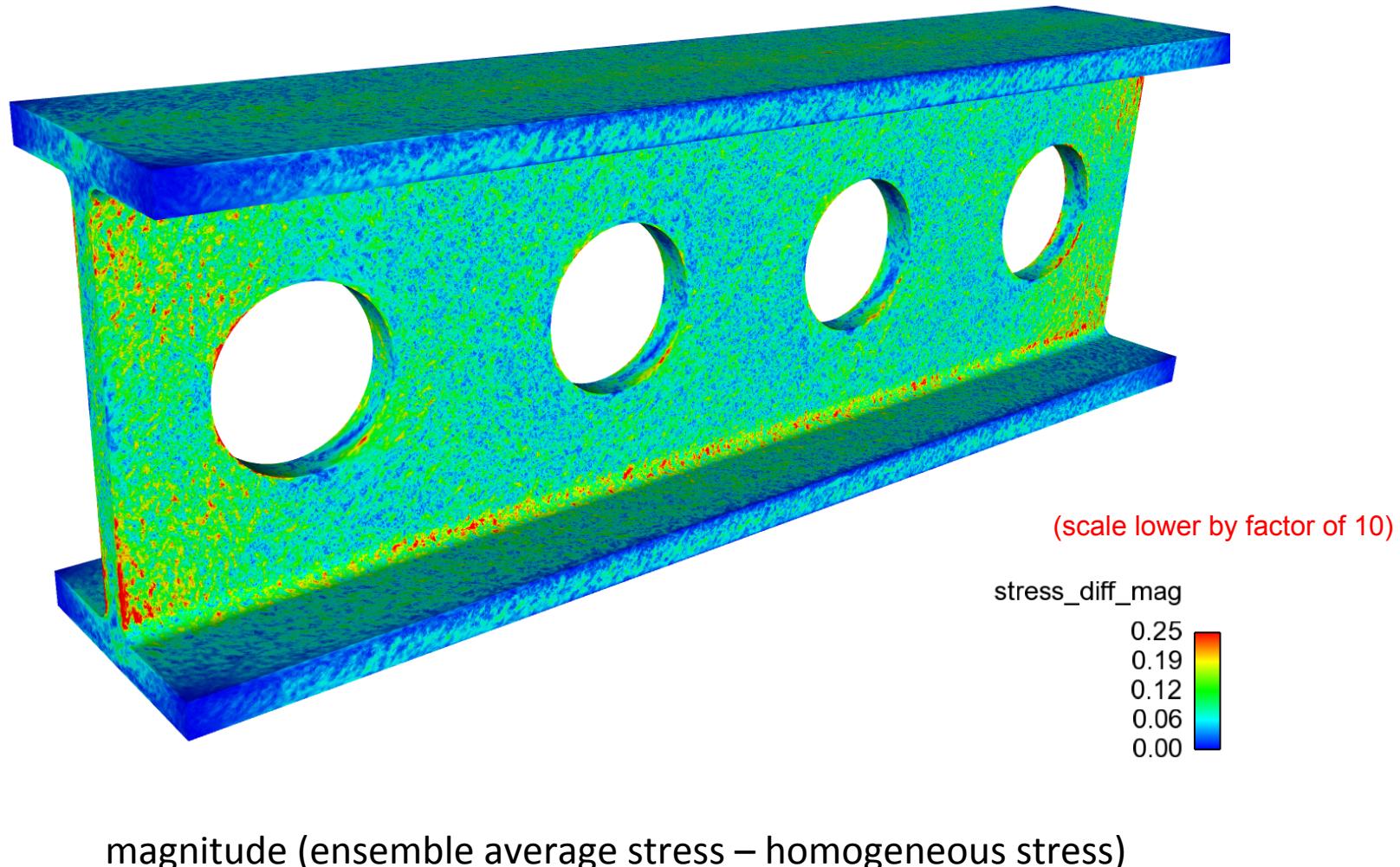
DNS
(magnitude of ensemble average stress)



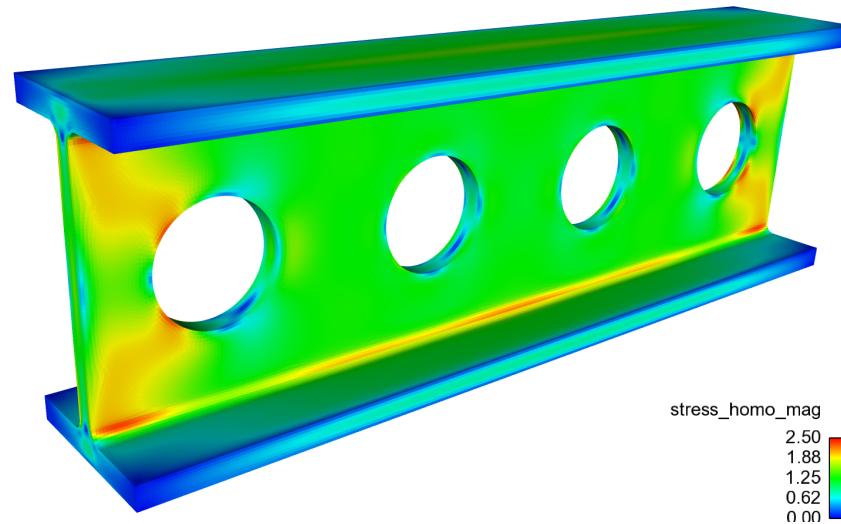
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Ensemble Results minus Homogeneous

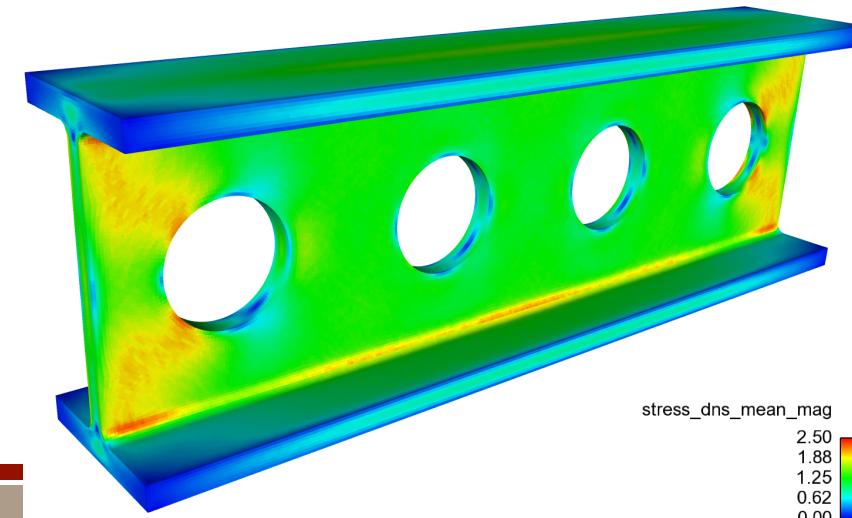


Projection/Average to Coarse Mesh, R2

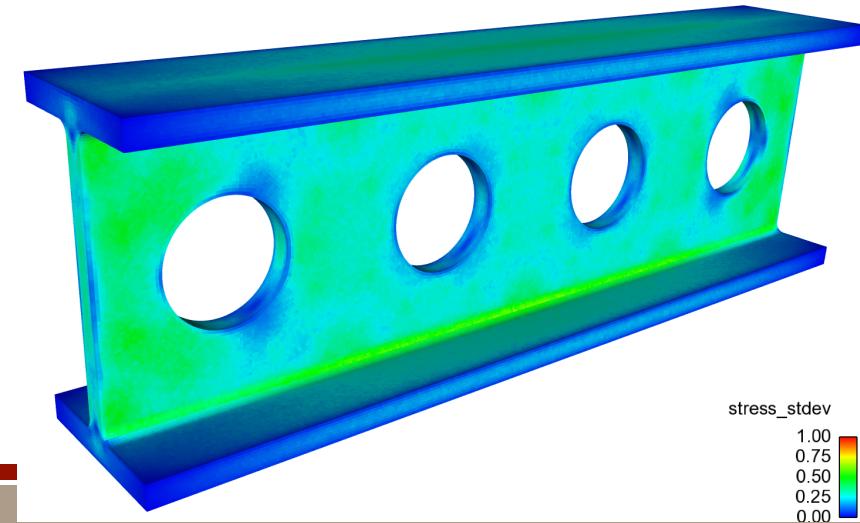


homogeneous solution
(stress magnitude)

DNS
(magnitude of ensemble average stress)

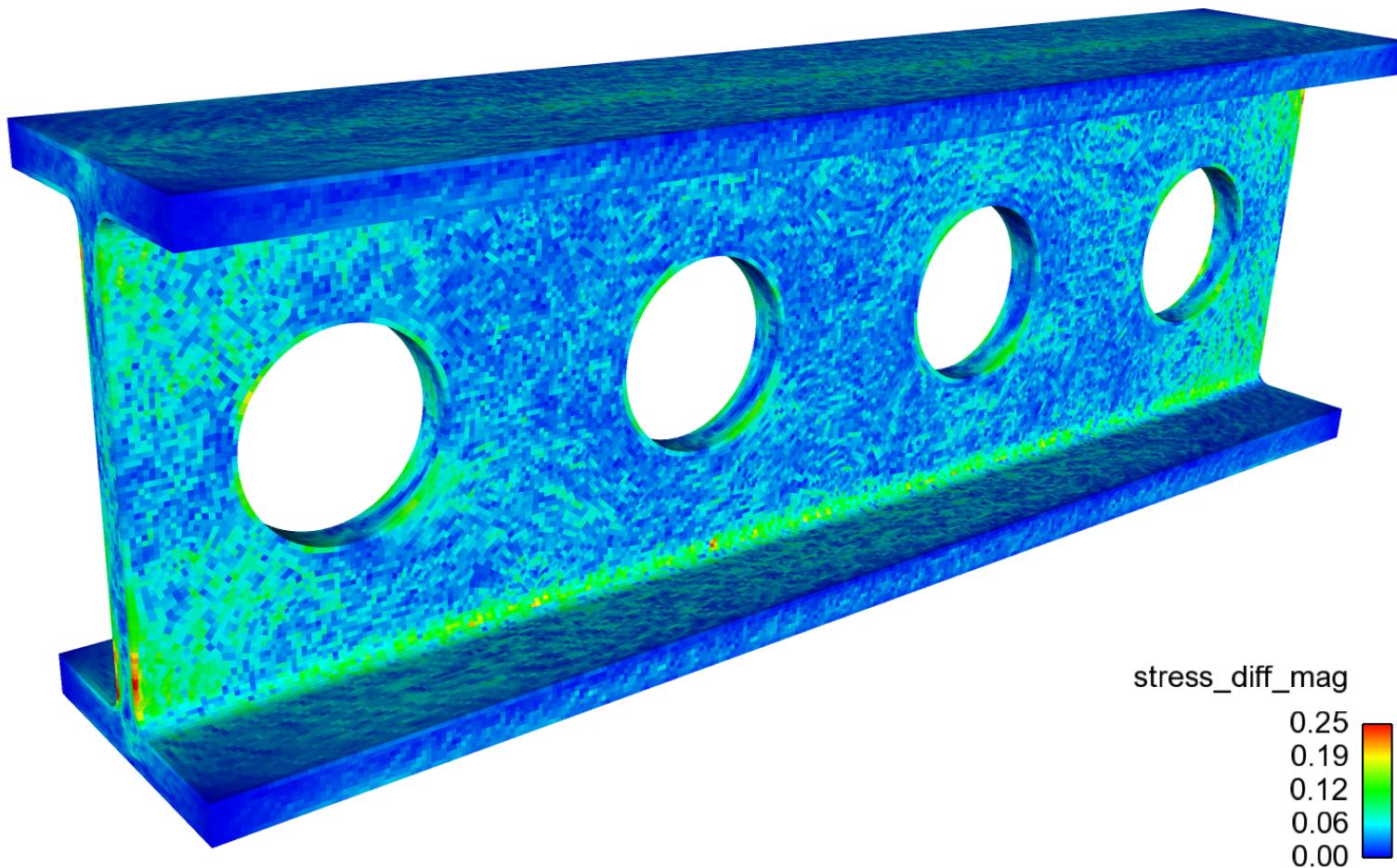


DNS
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Ensemble Results minus Homogeneous

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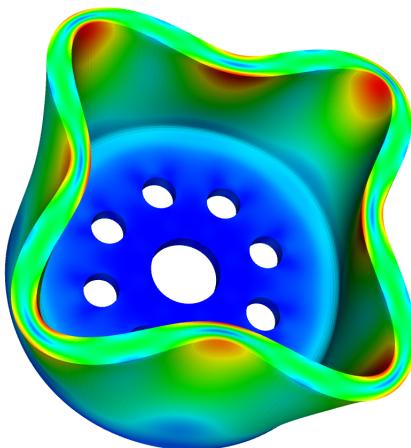


Direct Numerical Simulation, Structural Dynamics

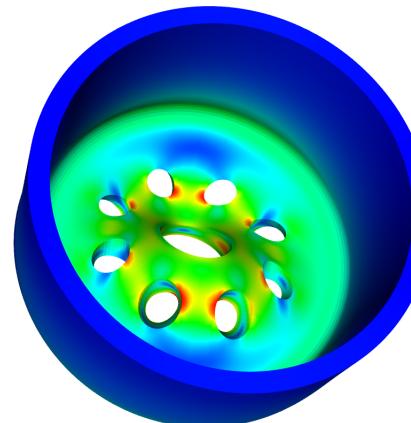
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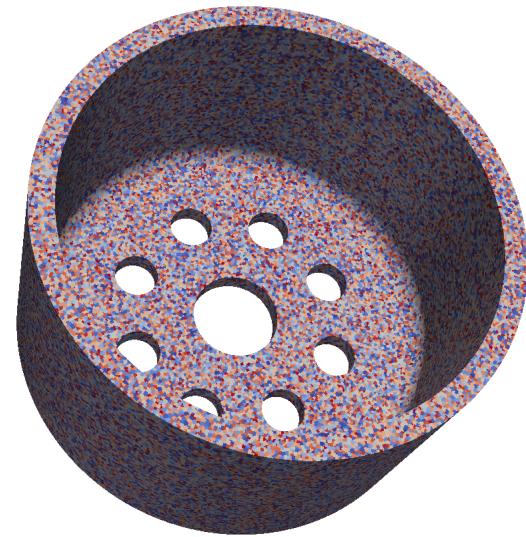
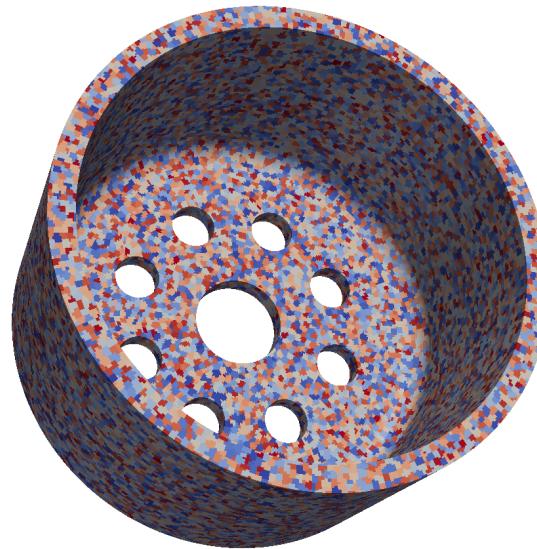
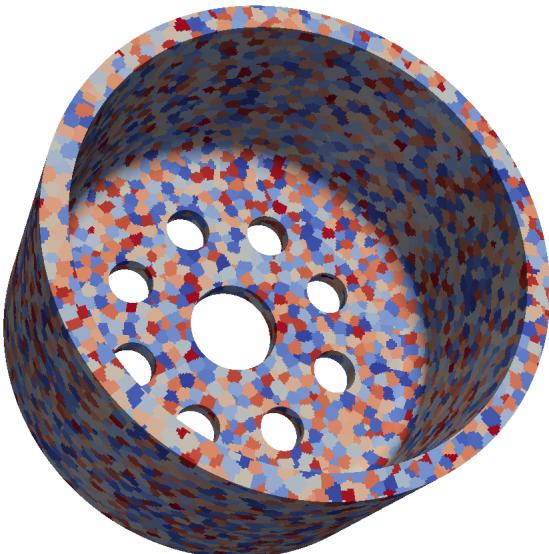
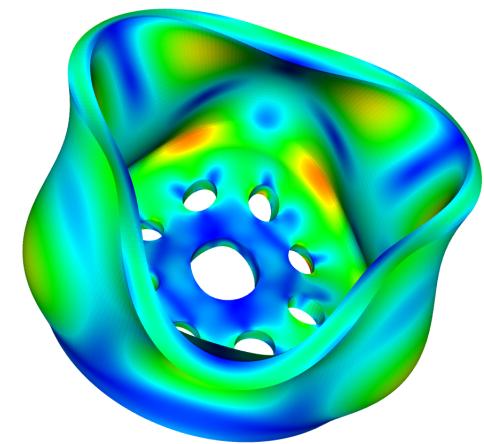
mode 13



mode 15



mode 24



- 2 grains across wall thickness
- ~8600 grains

- 4 grains across wall thickness
- ~53K grains

- 4 grains across wall thickness
- ~53K grains

Outline

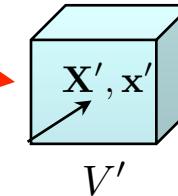
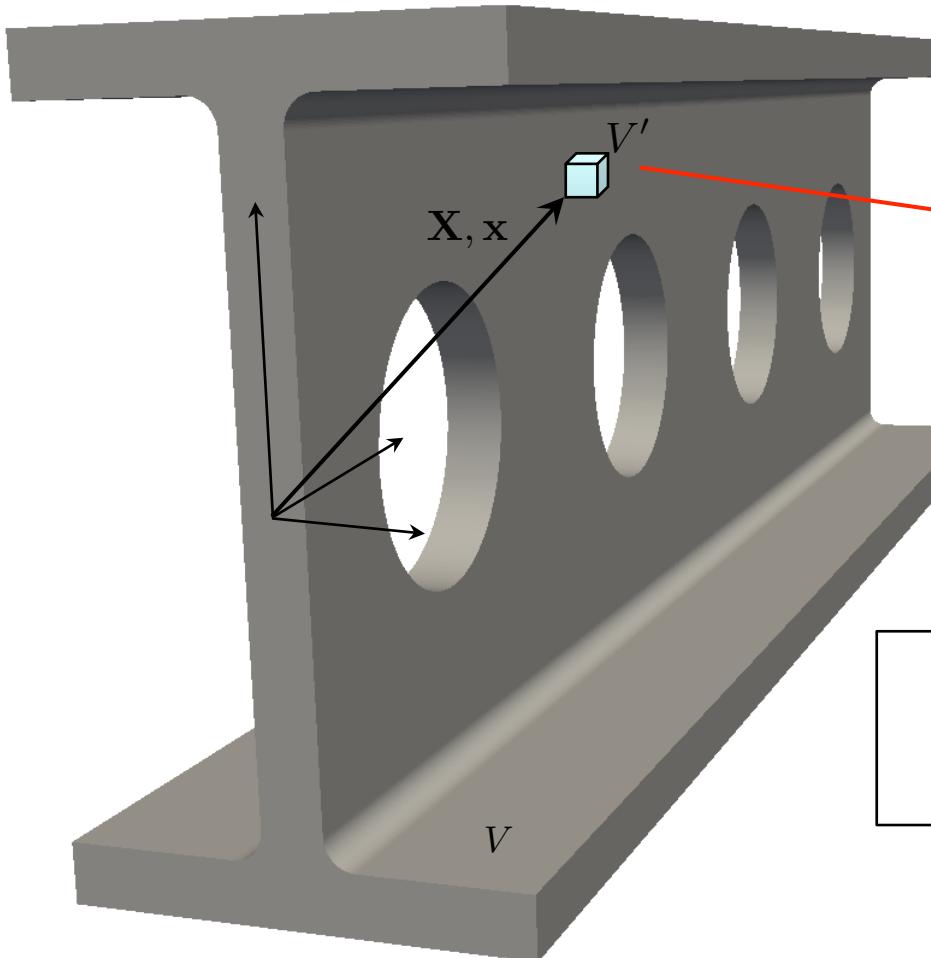
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A Path Forward for Including Microscale Variability in Macroscale Models

- Homogenization theory indicates that for finite microstructure, strain gradient effects are present (strain energy depends on both strain and strain gradient).
- Additionally, expect to see a “size effect”, even for homogeneous fields, at the macroscale (“apparent” material properties described by Huet, 1990).
- Several strain-gradient continuum formulations
- Following Josh Robbins lead, going to explore the use of Mindlin’s micromorphic formulation (1964). (Josh Robbins, org 1443, LDRD, “Micromorphic Continua for High Fidelity Physics Models”)
- Mindlin, 1964, “Microstructure in Linear Elasticity”
- Mindlin’s formulation allows existing H^1 FEA formulations to be used, but with extra nodal degrees of freedom.
- much recent work by W.K. Liu’s group at NU for modeling localization phenomena

Mindlin's Micromorphic Continuum Formulation

(Mindlin, 1964, "Micro-structure in Linear Elasticity," *Archive for Rational Mechanics and Analysis*, v 16, 51-78.)



Embedded in each material particle, there is assumed to be a "micro-volume" V'

macro-displacement, $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{X}$

micro-displacement, $\mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{X}'$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{u}'(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$$

Key Approximation: Approximate \mathbf{u}' as linear on V' .

$$u'_i \approx x'_j \psi_{ji}$$



$$\text{micro-deformation} \quad \psi_{ij} = \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x'_i}$$

Micro-deformation $\Psi(\mathbf{x})$ is constant on V' but varies on macro-scale V .

Mindlin's Micromorphic Continuum Formulation

relative deformation $\gamma_{ij} = u_{j,i} - \psi_{ij}$ (not symmetric)

macro-gradient of the micro-deformation $\chi_{ijk} = \frac{\partial \psi_{jk}}{\partial x_i}$ (no minor symmetry)

macro-strain $\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(u_{i,j} + u_{j,i})$ (infinitesimal displacements)

strain energy $W = W(\varepsilon_{ij}, \gamma_{ij}, \chi_{ijk})$

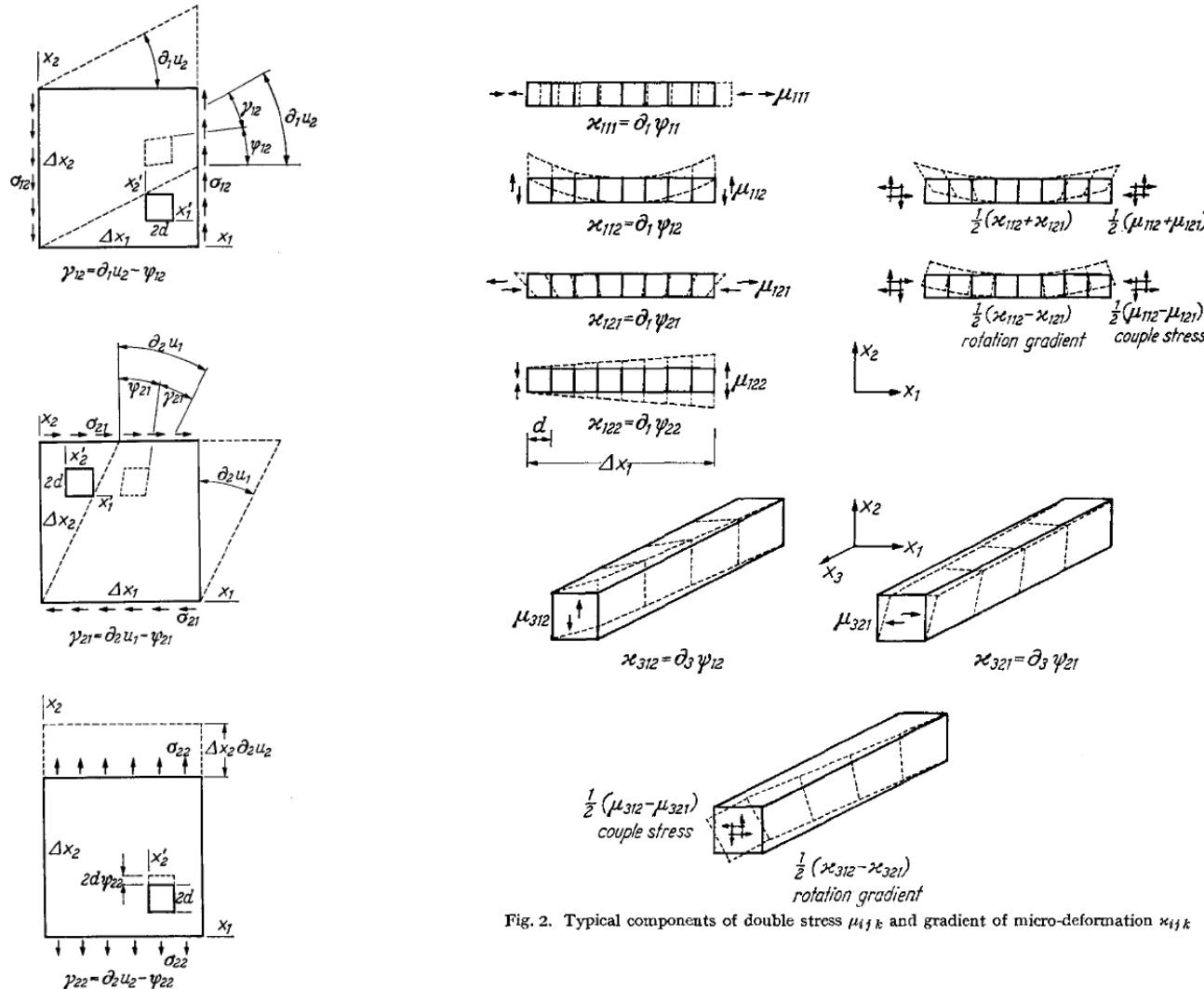
Cauchy stress $\sigma_{ij} = \frac{\partial W}{\varepsilon_{ij}}$ (symmetric)

relative stress $\tau_{ij} = \frac{\partial W}{\gamma_{ij}}$ (not symmetric)

double stress $\mu_{ijk} = \frac{\partial W}{\chi_{ijk}}$ (no minor symmetry)

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Linear Elastic

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma \\ \tau \\ \mu \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C & G & F \\ G & B & D \\ F & D & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \gamma \\ \chi \end{Bmatrix}$$

- displacement based finite element formulation
- nodal variables are \mathbf{u} (3) and ψ_{ij} (9)
- use same shape functions but with 12 d.o.f. per node

What about material variability?

standard stiffness matrix (deterministic)
all others are random

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma \\ \tau \\ \mu \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C & G & F \\ G & B & D \\ F & D & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \gamma \\ \chi \end{Bmatrix}$$

(The matrix C is circled with a dashed red line and has a red arrow pointing to it from the text above.)

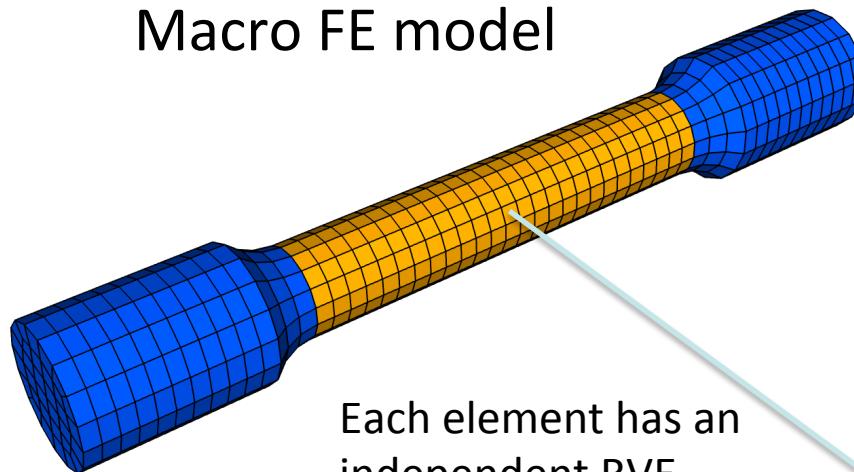
- For polycrystalline material variability, take G, F, B, D, A to be random matrices.
- The random matrices are a function of sampling volume V' .
- Take this sampling volume to be a function of the finite-element volume.
- The random matrices are generally anisotropic.
- As $V' \rightarrow \infty$, the microstructural fluctuations should disappear.

**** Need to stay in weak form (no strong form). ****

Homogenized Simulation via FE²

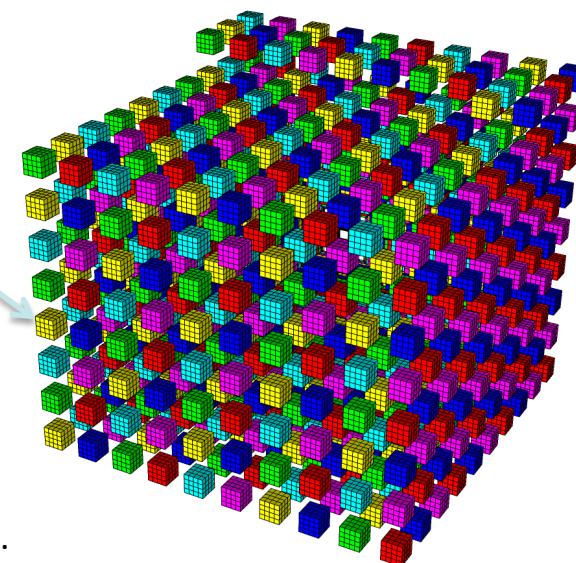
(to be compared with direct simulation)

Macro FE model



Each element has an independent RVE.

RVE array



(This RVE array is for testing Sierra/SM capability.)

Challenges:

- RVE needs to be as small as possible for efficiency.
- RVE needs to be as large as possible to give effective properties.
- RVE mesh needs to be sufficiently refined.
- Number of RVEs grows with mesh refinement in macro model.
- Robustness of CPFE models.

Summary

- Difference between Apparent and Effective material properties
- Homogenization theory based on concept of weak convergence
- Use Direct Numerical Simulations of macroscale boundary value problems containing microstructure to investigate incomplete first-order homogenization.
- Propose using Mindlin's micromorphic continuum theory to model Type-2 material variability
- Will probably need to use FE² approaches to model nonlinear micromorphic continua.