

Status of the Sierra CRK Implementation

(CRK: Conforming Reproducing Kernel)

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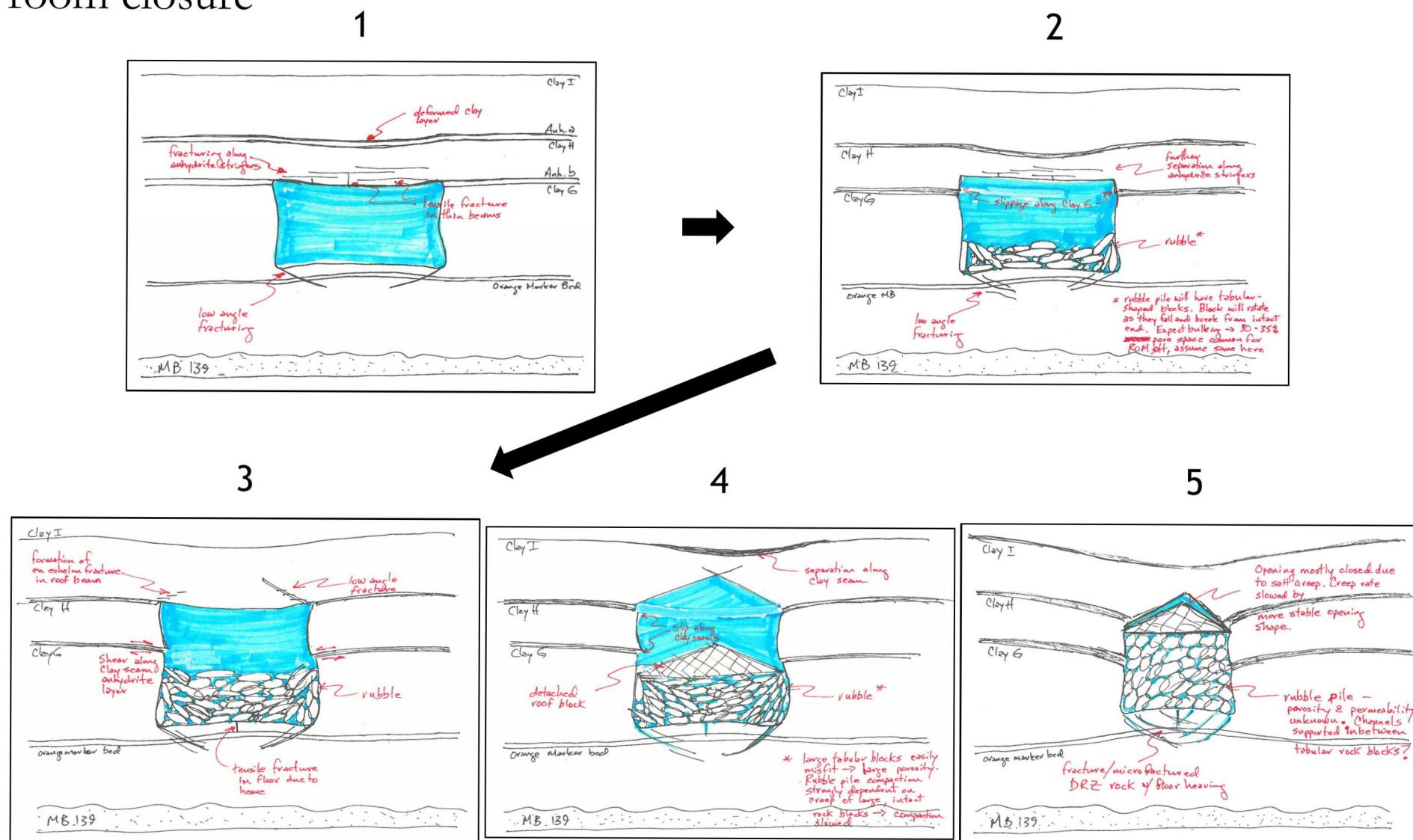
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Open room closure



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Upper Horizon Roof Fall at WIPP



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Why use meshfree methods for WIPP analyses?

Simulating open room closure involves

- Pervasive fracture
- Impact / rubbilization
- Compaction of rubble piles

Extremely challenging for mesh-based methods like finite element analysis!

Meshfree methods provide a robust means of simulating roof collapse.

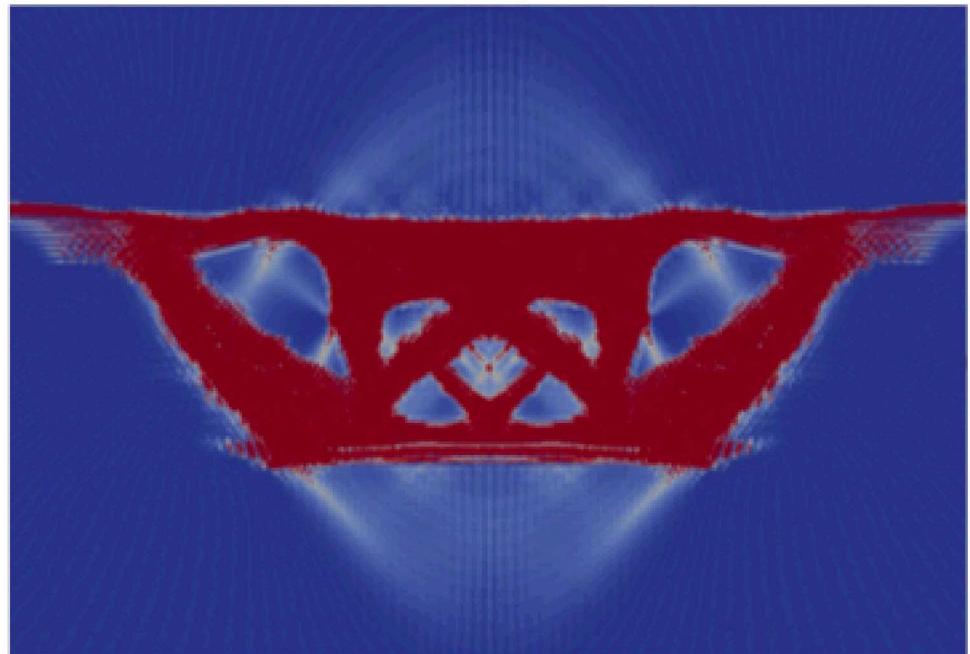
Options were explored in FY19:

- A Material Point Method (MPM)-like approach.
 - Prof. Yuri Bazilevs, Brown University
- The Reproducing Kernel Particle Method (RKPM).
 - Prof. J.S. Chen, University of California, San Diego
- The Conforming Reproducing Kernel (CRK) method.
 - Jake Koester, Mike Tupek at SNL

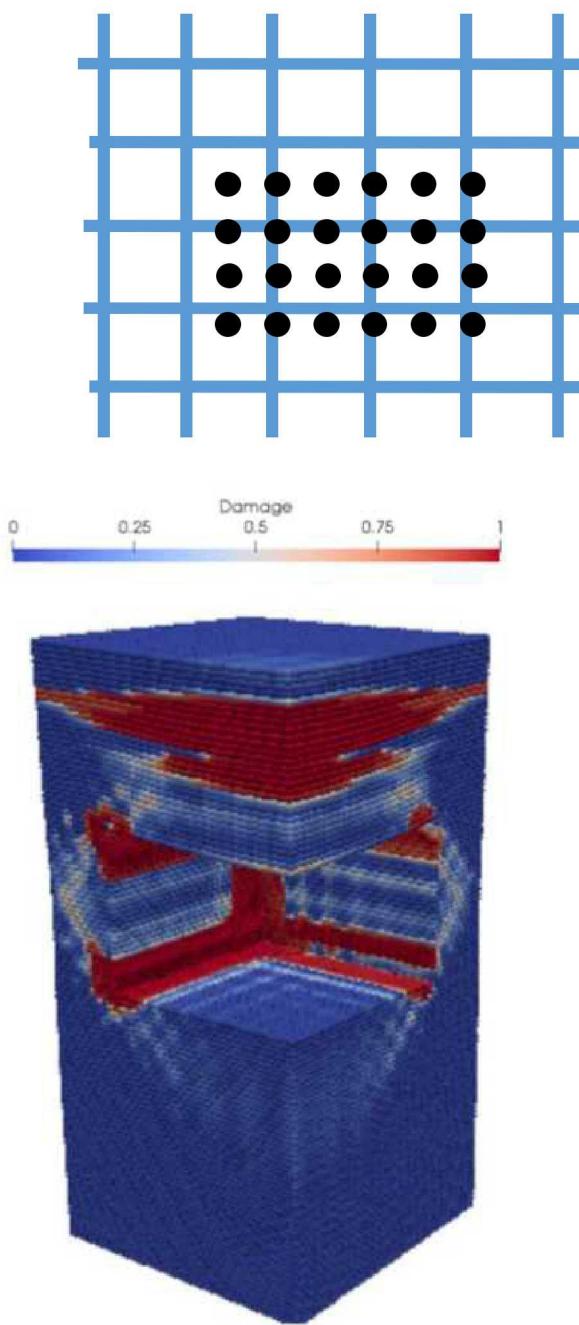
6 FY19 study: MPM-like approach

Numerical Approach

- Approximation space comes from a background grid.
- “Material point” moves through the grid and carries state information



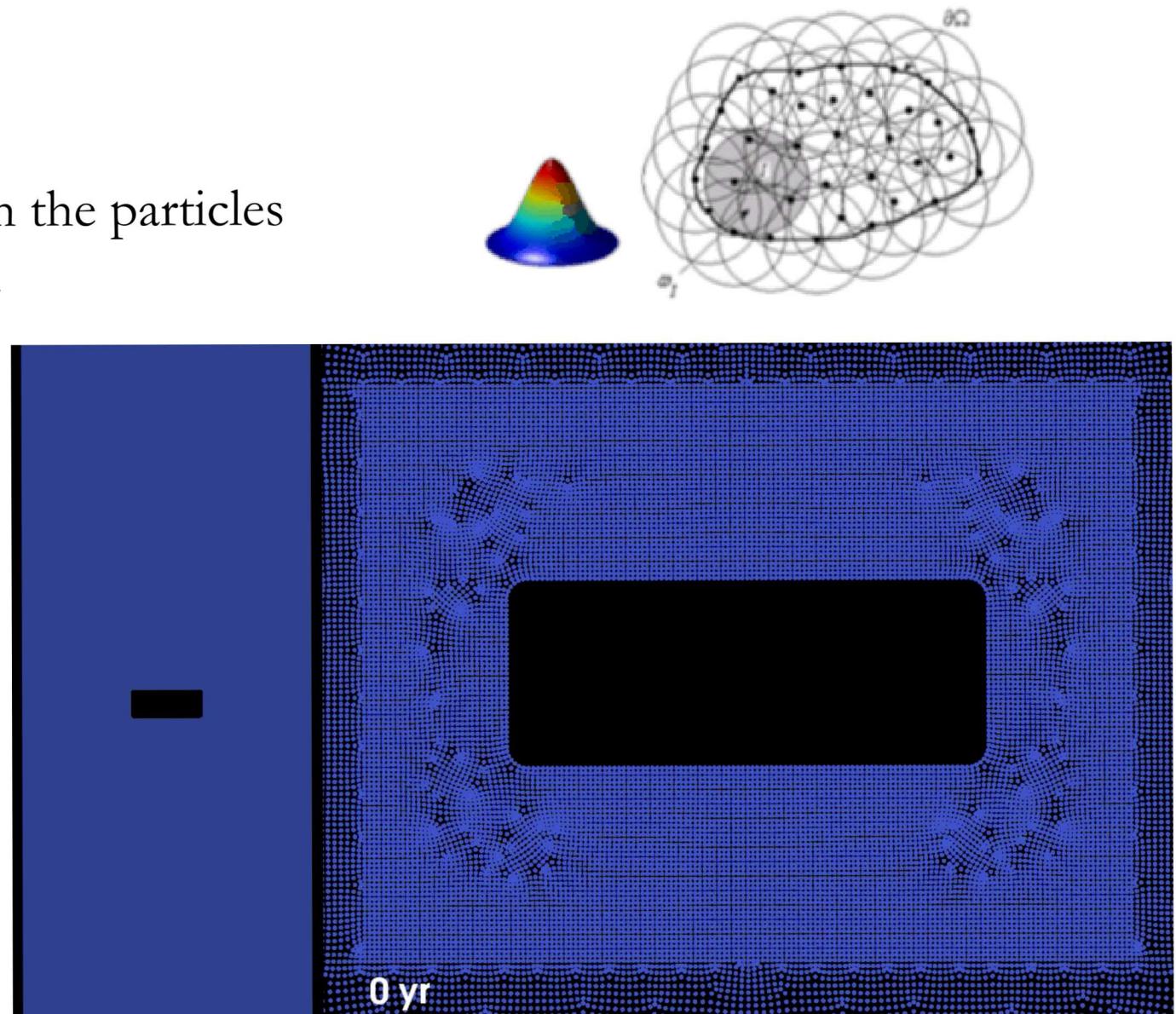
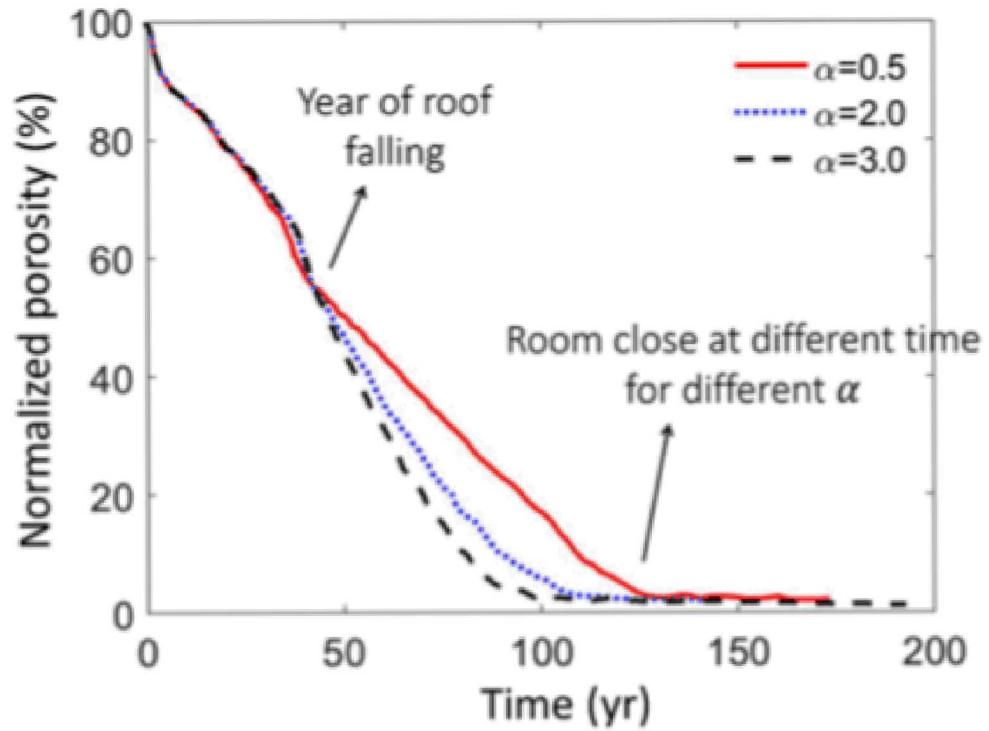
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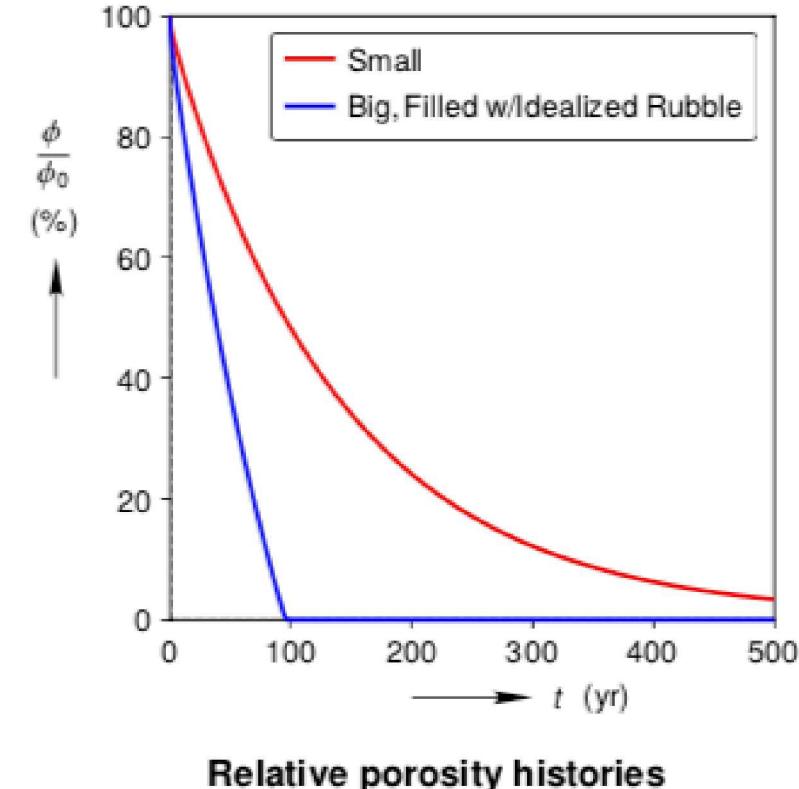
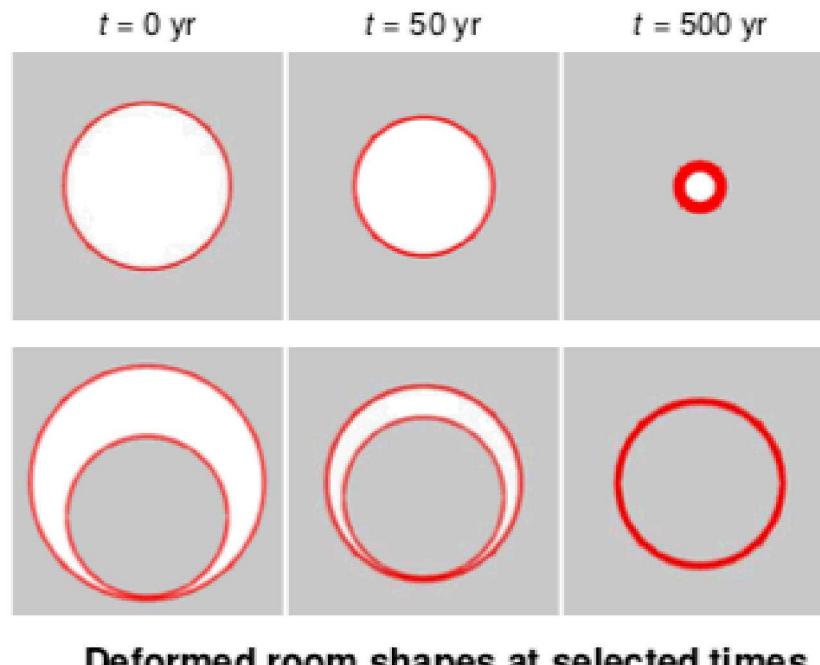
Numerical Approach

- Approximation space associated with the particles
- Particles also carry state information





- Many configurations, numerical method variations, material property sets explored
- Methods provided insight into the roof collapse process
- Helped guide understanding, make adjustments to simplified analyses

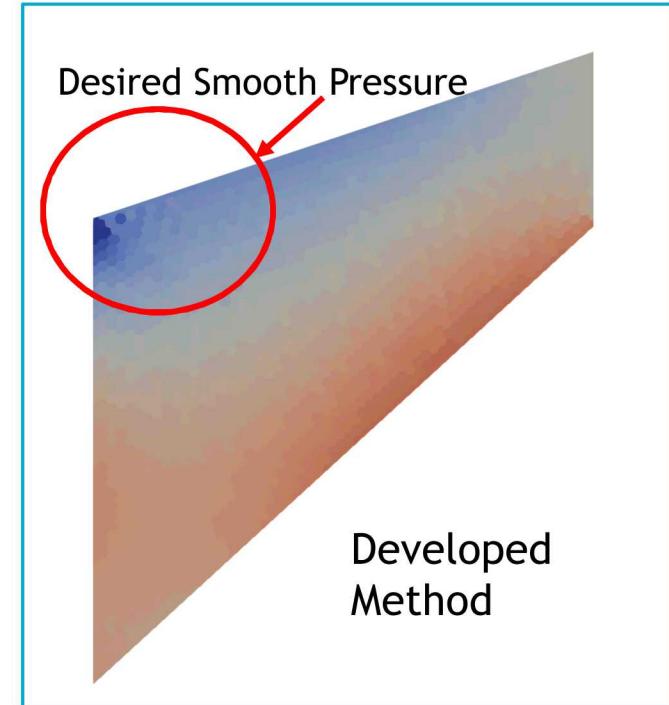
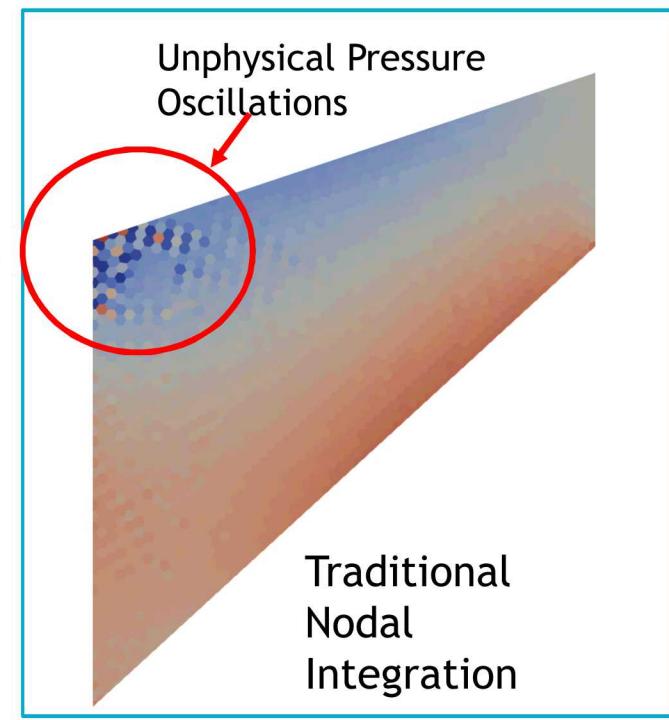
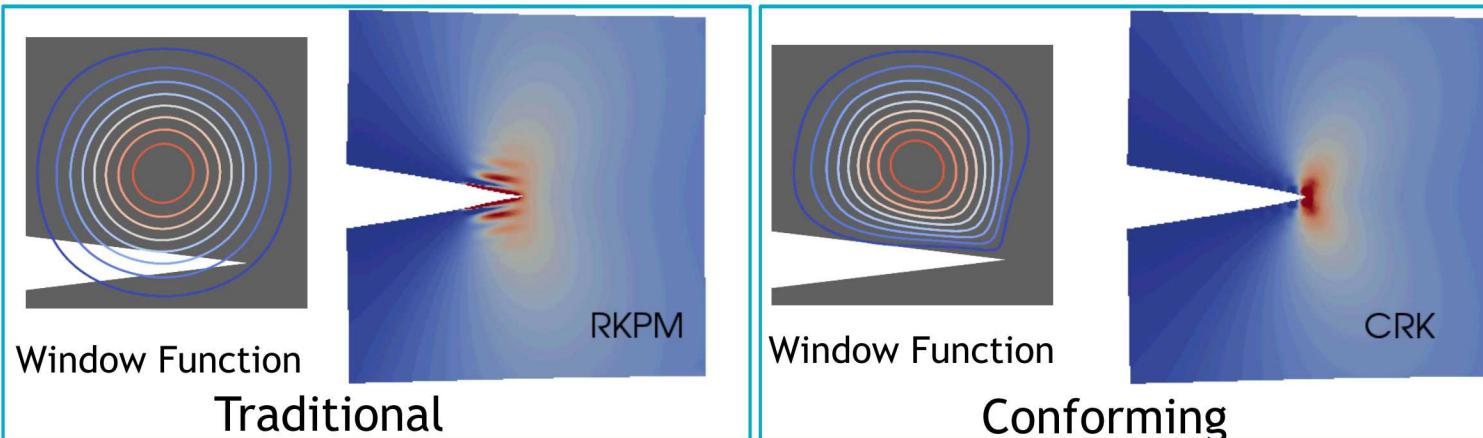


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Overview of CRK

Fix short-comings of RKPM for part and system analyses

- Prototype implementation developed in a LDRD in FY18-19
- Leverage work on large deformation and integration^{1,2}
- Addresses:
 - Analysis on complicated geometries, low quality discretizations
 - Nearly incompressible material³
 - Material failure in a total Lagrangian setting
- Efficient implementation a goal



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Direction of meshfree / CRK research

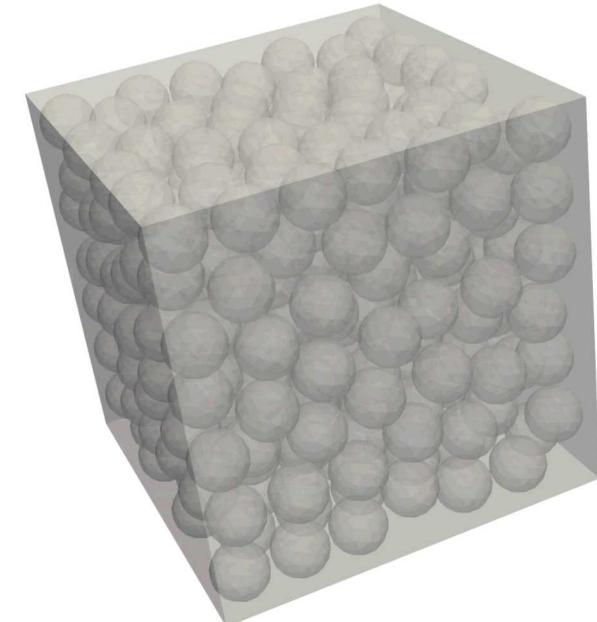


CRK encompasses RKPM

- LDRD-developed CRK “miniapp” will be the platform for meshfree research
- CRK is being developed / productionized in Sierra/SolidMechanics

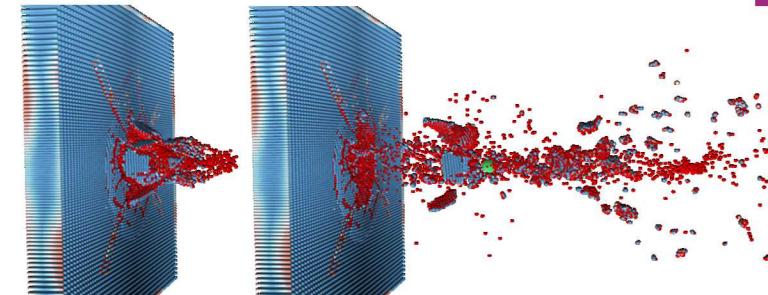
Current Funding

- ASC PEM: General research and Sierra implementation
- WIPP: Sierra implementation and associated analyses
- Next Generation Simulation: Sierra implementation, interested in rapid design-to-analysis
- Goodyear: Evaluating robustness for large deformation rubber analysis
- LDRD: For robust, large deformation analysis of CT scanned foam mesostructures



Potential Funding:

- Lagrangian-Eulerian coupling for blast-structure interaction
- LDRD proposed: Large deformation / rubbilization of energetic materials
- LDRD proposed: Simulating hypervelocity impact scenarios



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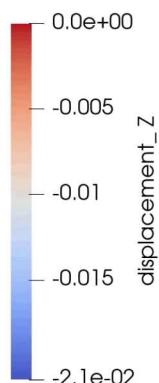
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Summary of development stories:

- Create CRK interface. Call CRK internal force calculation from Sierra
- Connect CRK to Dash contact (primary Sierra contact method)
- Implement a local stable time increment estimate and hook CRK into global estimates
- Implement / connect other features needed for WIPP room closure analyses
 - Gravity loading
 - Pressure loading
 - Lithostatic prestress

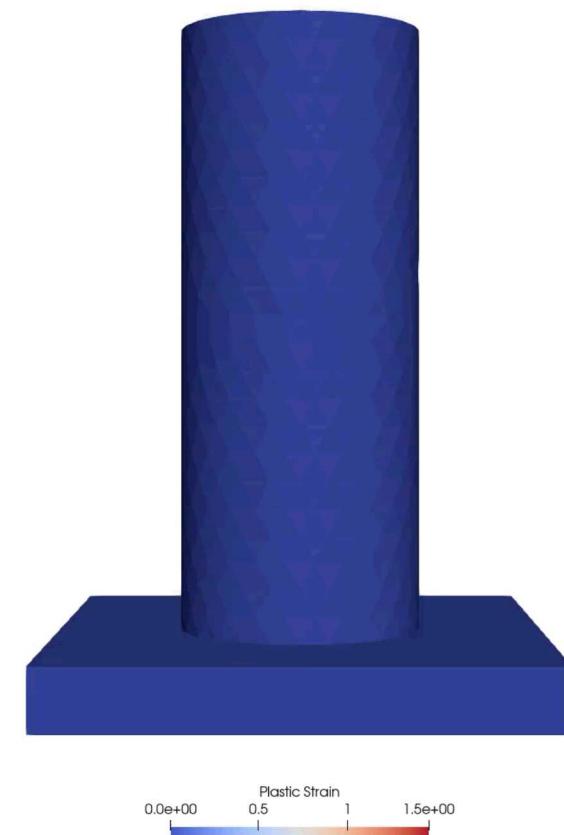
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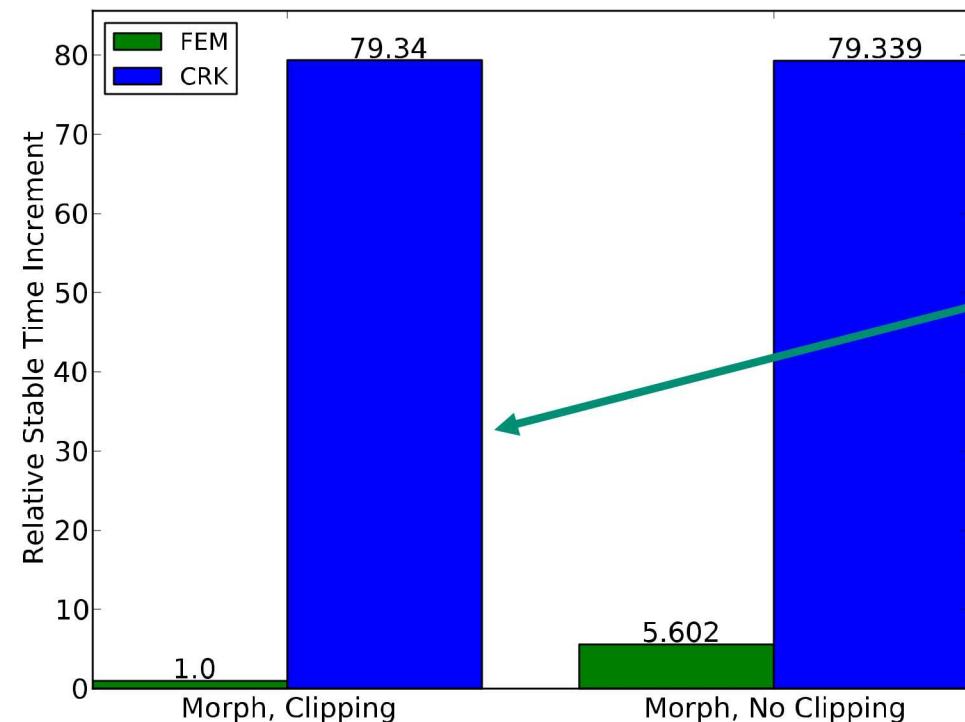
With Dash Contact

CRK implementation into Sierra

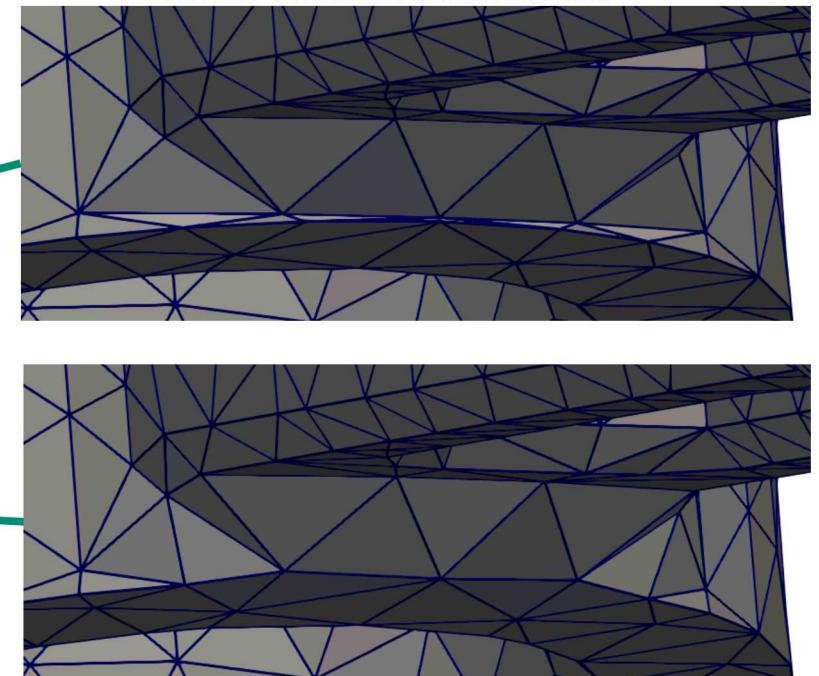
- Implement a local stable time increment estimate and hook CRK into global estimates
- Compared to FEA



Example: Control Arm

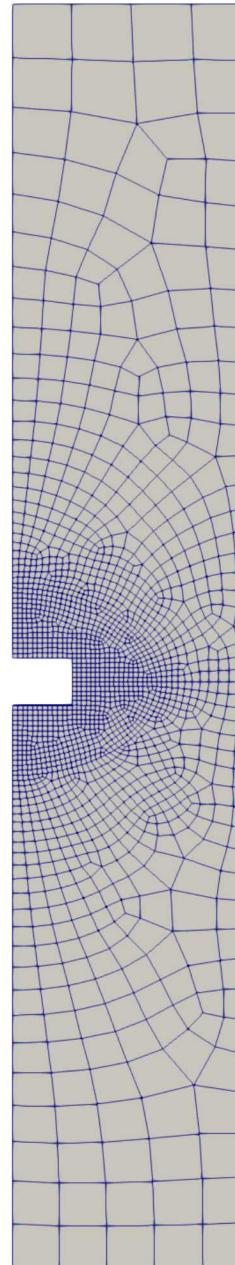


Mesh Near Small Feature

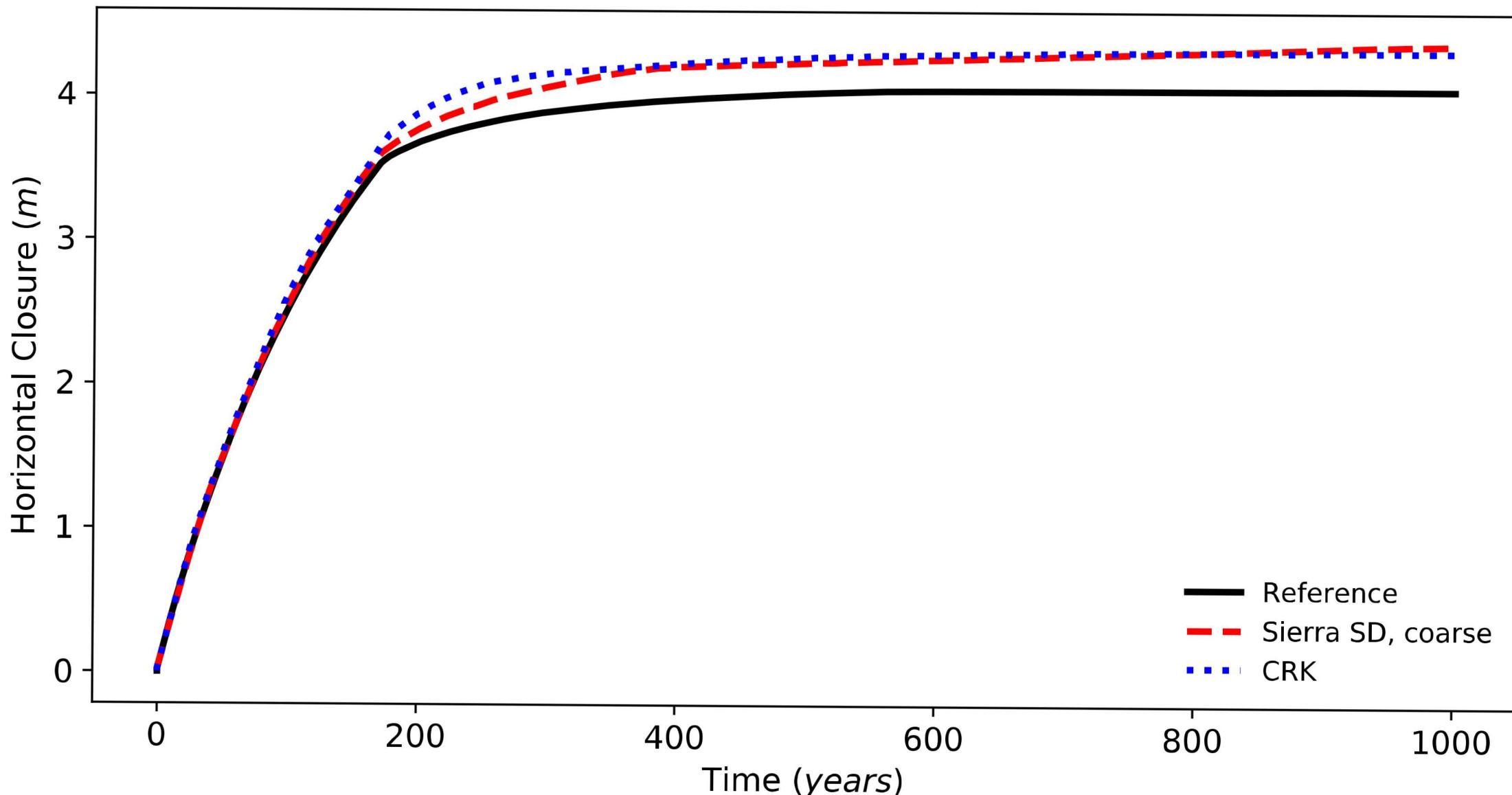


Room Closure Analyses

- Room closure without damage / failure
- Viscoplastic rate factor = 2.e9
- Mesh
 - Edge length: 0.42 m
 - Number of nodes: 3520

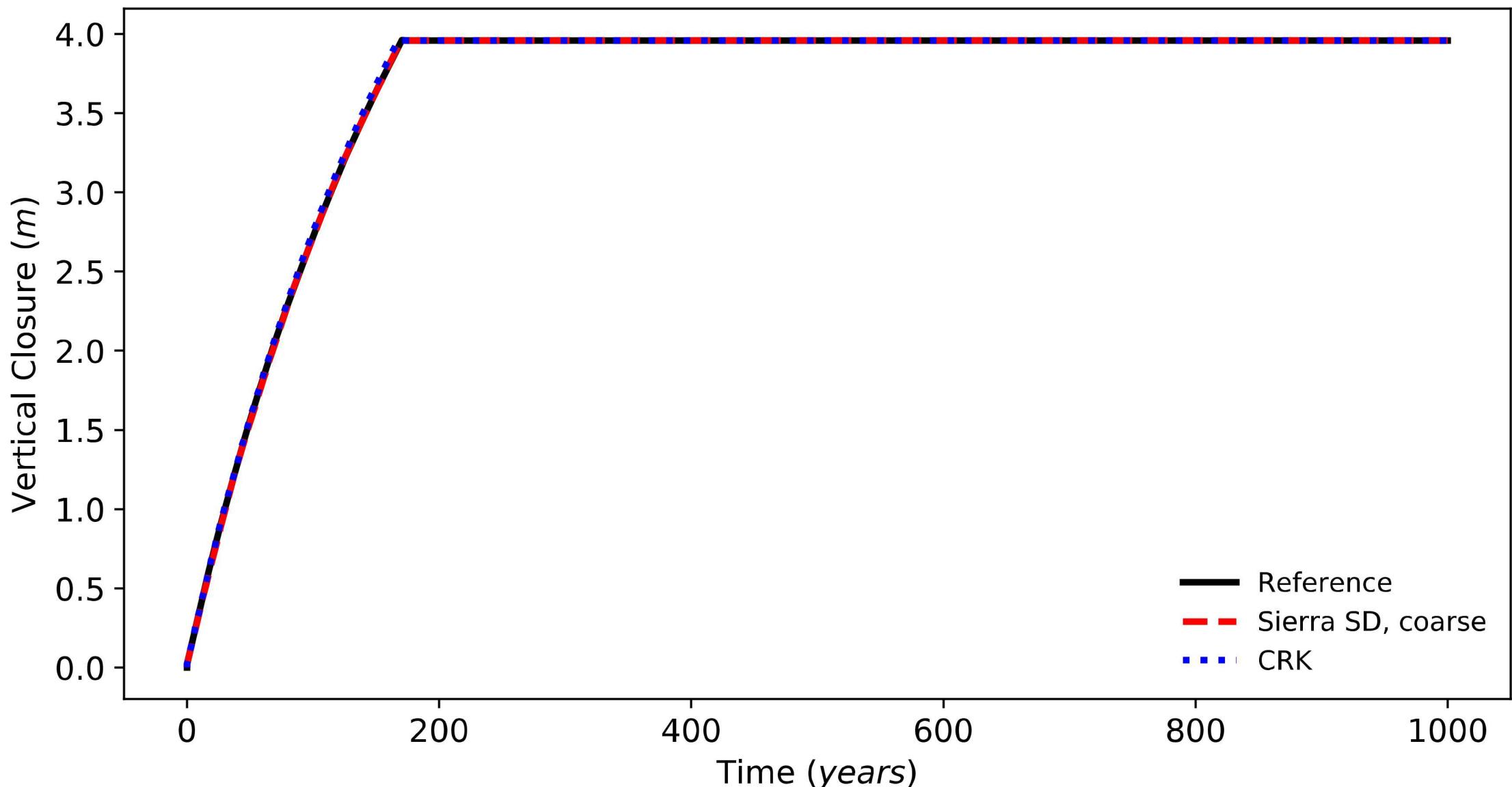


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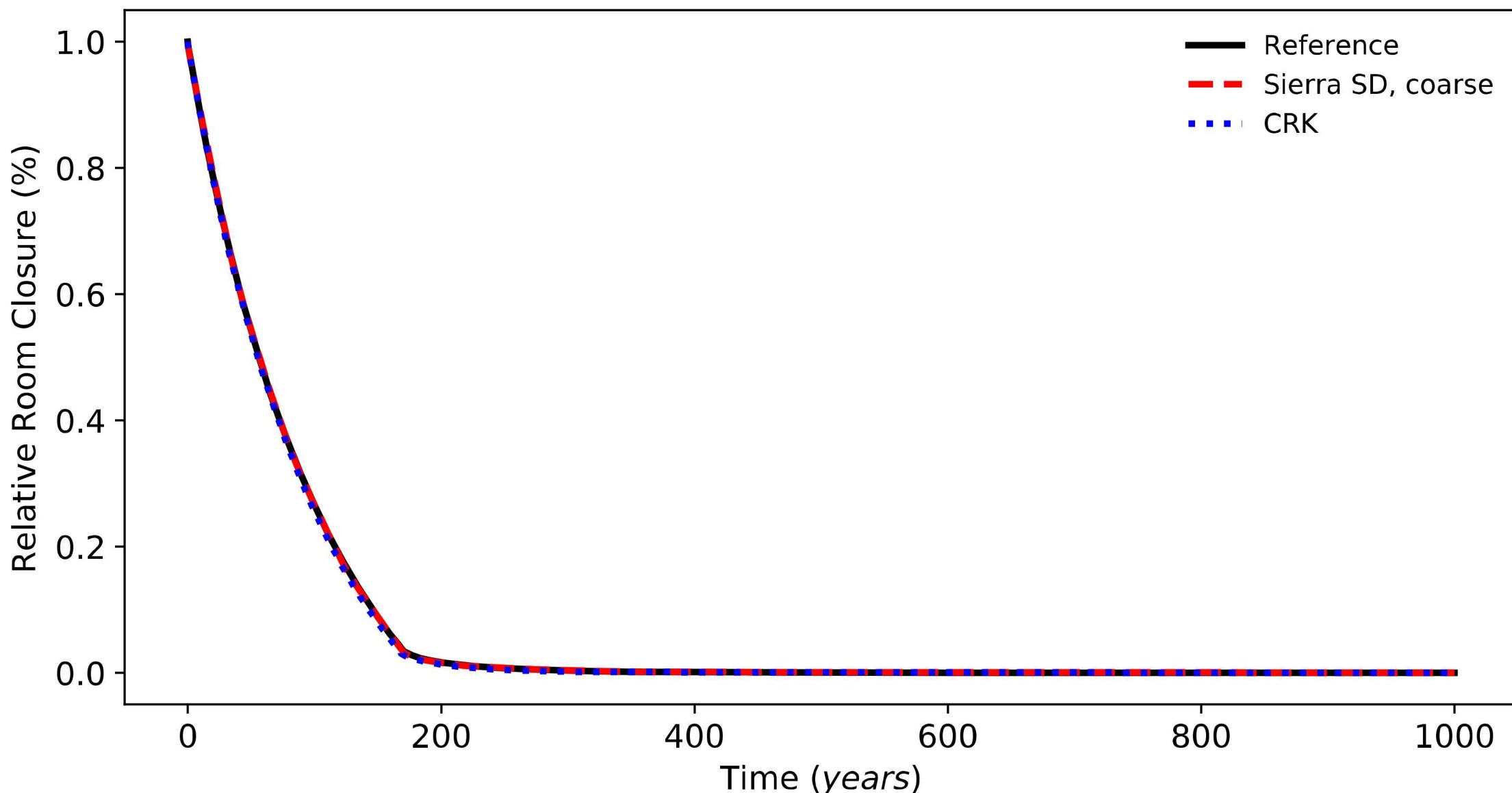
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Sierra Implementation

- Implement fracture capabilities
 - “element” death
 - Bond-based fracture methods
- More work on improving Dash contact implementation
- Updated / Semi Lagrangian (like Prof. J.S. Chen’s work)

Research

- Improvements to fracture methodologies
- Alternative, robust, efficient, contact algorithms to improve rubble pile compaction predictions

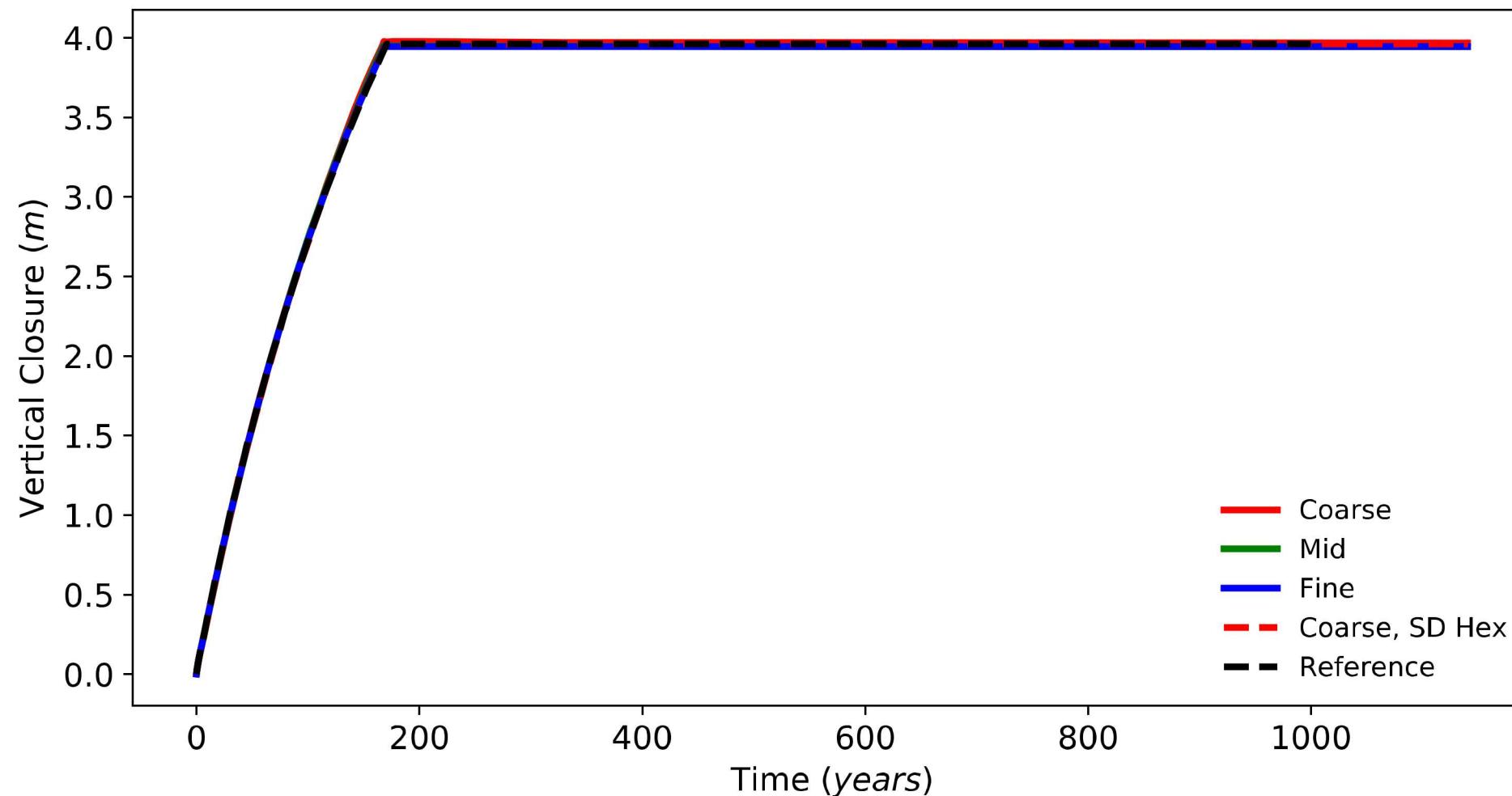
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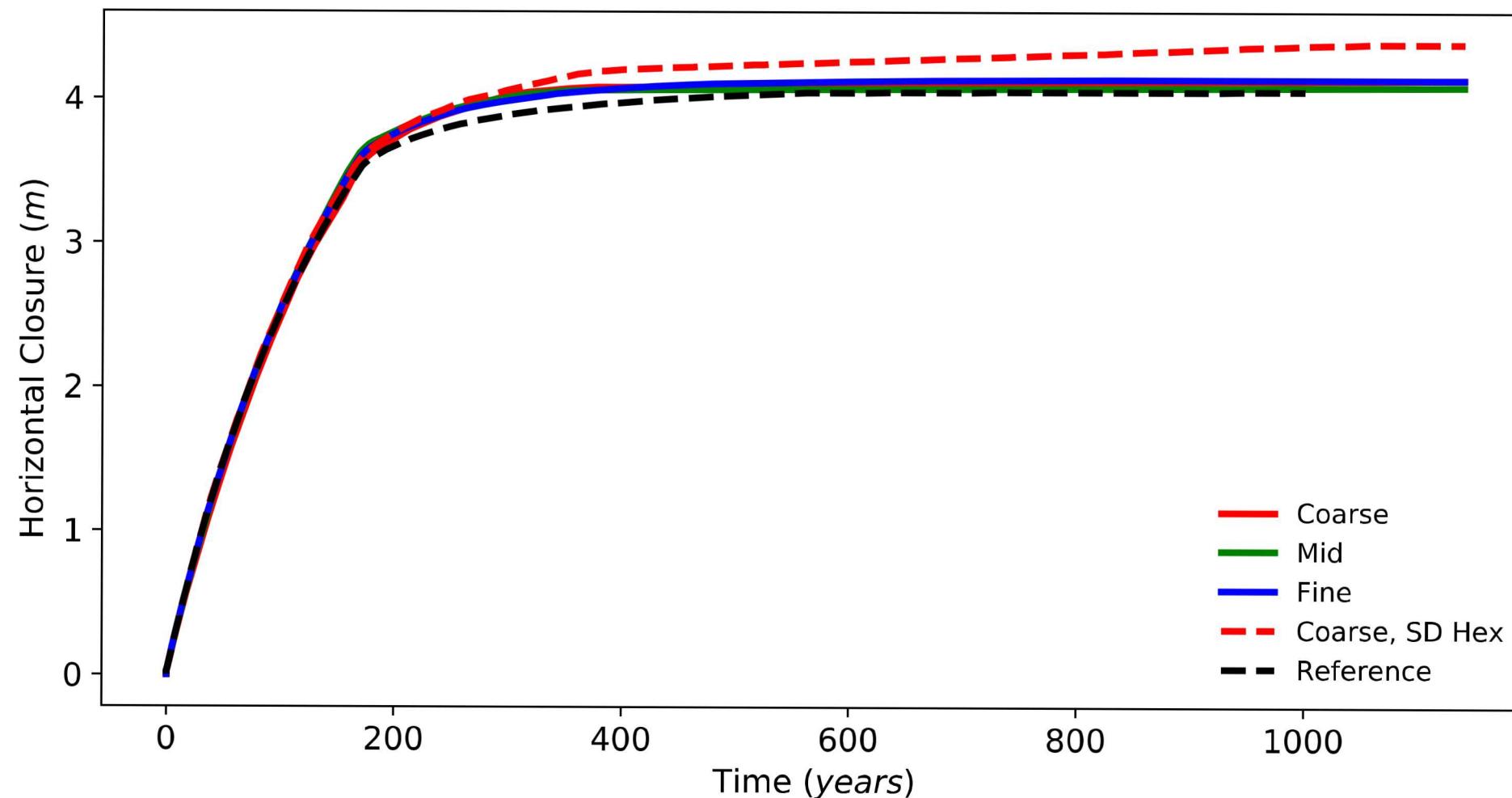
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Preliminary WIPP Results Using CRK “Miniapp”, Vertical Closure



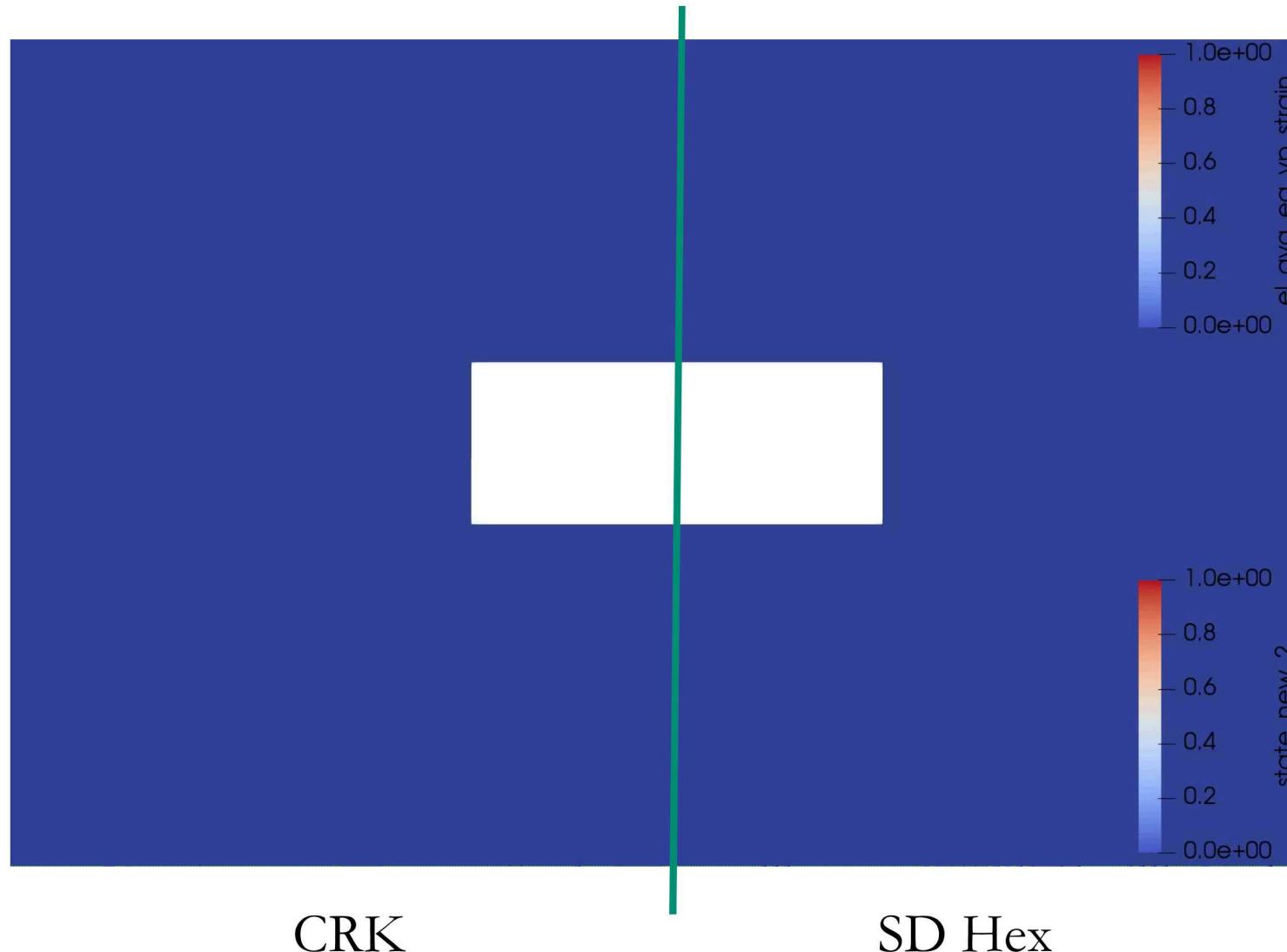
- Matches FEM solution



- Converging to reference solution
- Different contact method (vs reference), causing some discrepancy

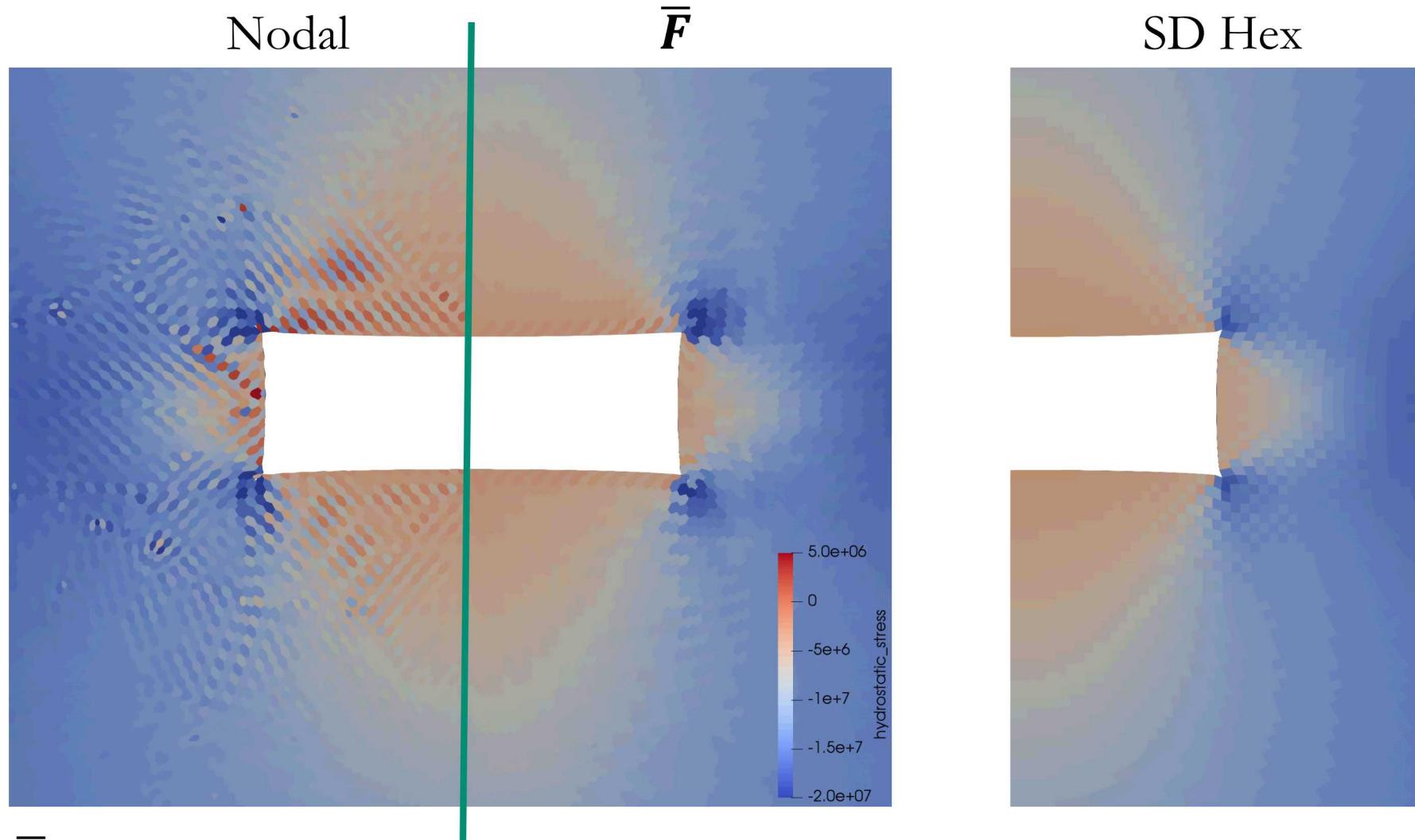
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Preliminary WIPP Results Using CRK “Miniapp”, Viscoplastic Strain



- CRK using the developed nodal-based \bar{F} method

Preliminary WIPP Results Using CRK “Miniapp”, Hydrostatic Stress



- \bar{F} method improve pressure and displacement stability over nodal integration