



# Computational Homogenization and Multiscale Modeling

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# Course outline

- Lecture 1
  - Classical homogenization [in mechanics](#) - Concepts and assumptions
  - Introduction to computational homogenization - Linear elasticity
- Lecture 2
  - Computational homogenization for nonlinear problems - Nested macro-micro computations (basis for  $FE^2$ )
  - The classical prolongation conditions on a Statistical Volume Element (SVE)
  - The concept of weak periodicity on SVE (novel)
- Lecture 3
  - Computational homogenization for nonlinear problems -  $FE^2$  with error estimation and adaptivity
  - [Outlook - Selected research at Chalmers University](#)

# Homogenization in material mechanics - Which discipline?

- Mathematics
  - Statistics - stochastics
  - Functional analysis - variational methods
  - A posteriori error analysis
- Material physics and science
  - Quantum physics and atomistics
  - Material-specific length scales - Scanning techniques
- Continuum mechanics - general and material modeling
- Experimental techniques
- Computational methods
  - FE
  - Adaptive meshing
  - Parallel computation

# Lecture 1: Contents

- Motivation for multiscale modeling – "appetizers"
- Approaches to multiscale modeling
- Classical homogenization – Concepts and assumptions
  - Statistical Volume Element (RVE) versus Representative Volume Element (RVE)
  - Macrohomogeneity (Hill-Mandel) condition
  - Classical prolongation conditions: DBC, TBC, PBC
  - Voigt and Reuss bounds
  - Statistical bounds [without confidence intervals]
- Introduction to computational homogenization – Linear elasticity
  - Effective stiffness tensor for DBC, (TBC, PBC)

# Macroscopic versus multiscale modeling

- Macrolevel: Balance equations of mass, momentum, energy, etc., expressed in "flux" quantities, e.g. momentum equation

$$-\bar{\mathbf{P}} \cdot \bar{\nabla} = \bar{\mathbf{f}} \quad \text{Cartesian components:} \quad -\frac{\partial \bar{P}_{ij}}{\partial \bar{X}_j} = \bar{f}_i$$

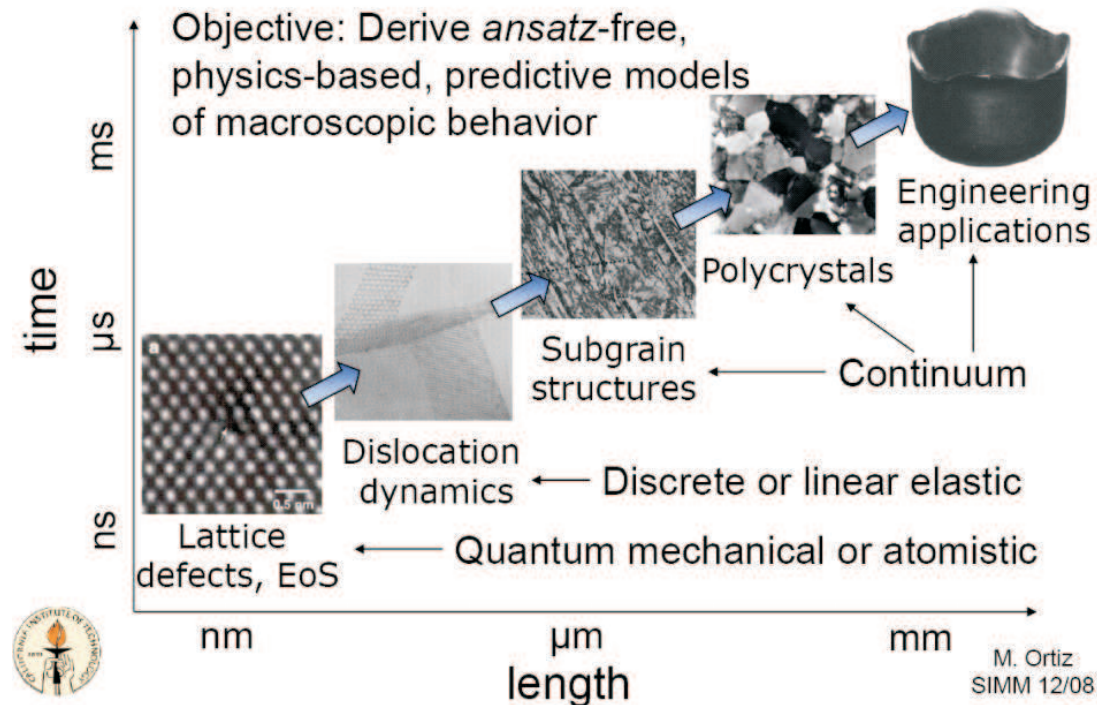
- **Macroscopic constitutive modeling:**

$$\bar{\mathbf{P}} = \bar{\mathbf{P}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}, k_\alpha), \quad \bar{\mathbf{H}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bar{\mathbf{u}} \otimes \bar{\nabla} = \bar{\mathbf{F}} - \mathbf{I}$$

- No explicit account of material (micro)structure, rather implicit via evolution of *internal variables*  $k_\alpha$  (e.g. plastic strain, texture tensors, etc.), ODE's or PDE's
- Calibration from macroscale experiments or subscale modeling → "upscaling"
- **Multiscale constitutive modeling:  $\bar{\mathbf{P}}\{\bar{\mathbf{H}}\}$** 
  - Subscale modeling within RVE → homogenization
  - Calibration from macroscale experiments or further lower subscale modeling → "upscaling"
  - Always boils down to modeling on (lowest) scale, *ab initio* does not exist!

# Length scales

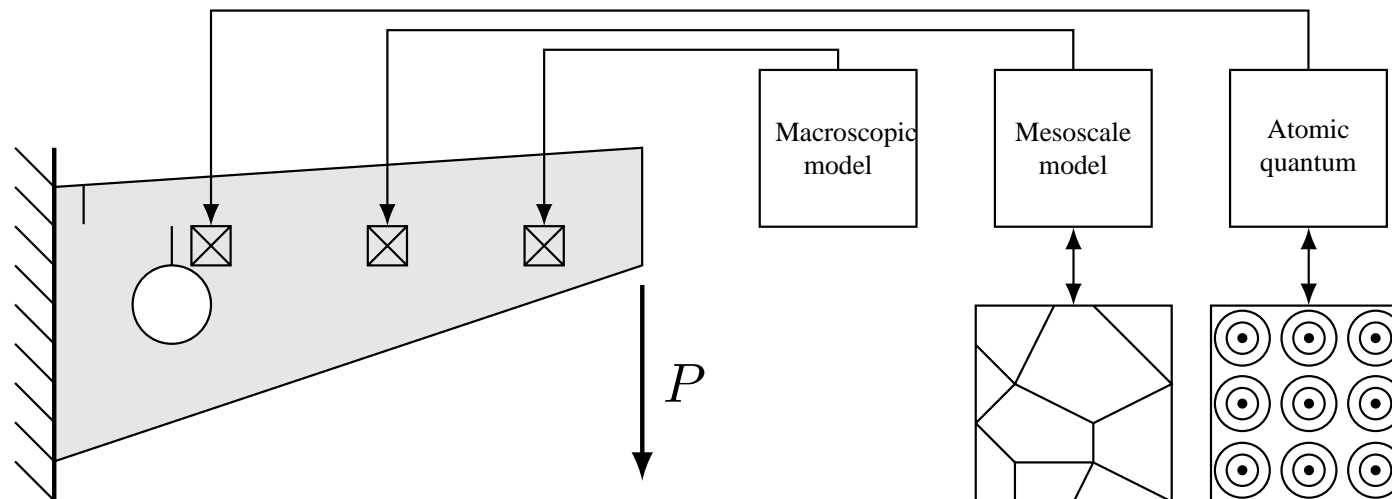
- Example: Multiscale modeling of polycrystalline metals



- "Top-down" strategy
  - Physics at given (lower) scale, "scale of modeling"
  - Engineering output at macroscale
  - Mathematical bridging of scales via accuracy assessment and adaptive choice of "scale of modeling"

# Multiscale modeling - Bridging the scales?

- "Vertical" bridging: Computational homogenization
  - Homogenization on RVE, "prolongation conditions" part of model
  - Model adaptivity to account for local defects
- "Horizontal" bridging: Concurrent multiscale modeling
  - Models at different scales coexisting in adjacent parts of the domain (within the component), model coupling along "bridging" domains
  - Model adaptivity to account for local defects



# Modeling of selected material classes

- **Nano-materials** Prototype material: Graphene (single C-atom layer)
  - *Macroscale*: Hyperelasticity
  - *Mesoscale*: Tershoff-Brenner pair-wise interatomic potential (includes distance and angles), Quasi-Continuum concept for constraining atomic motion
- **Polycrystalline metals**
  - *Macroscale*: Viscoplasticity with (complicated) mixed isotropic-kinematic-distortional hardening
  - *Mesoscale*: Crystal (visco)plasticity within grains, colonies, etc, grain boundary interaction from crystal orientations  $\leadsto$  "Hall-Petch"-type relation for yield stress. Upscaling to macroscopic yield surface
- **PM-products**
  - *Macroscale*: Viscoplasticity based on mean-stress dependent yield surface
  - *Mesoscale*: Surface tension along particle/pore interface, moving boundaries of partly (melt) binder metal (liquid-phase sintering)

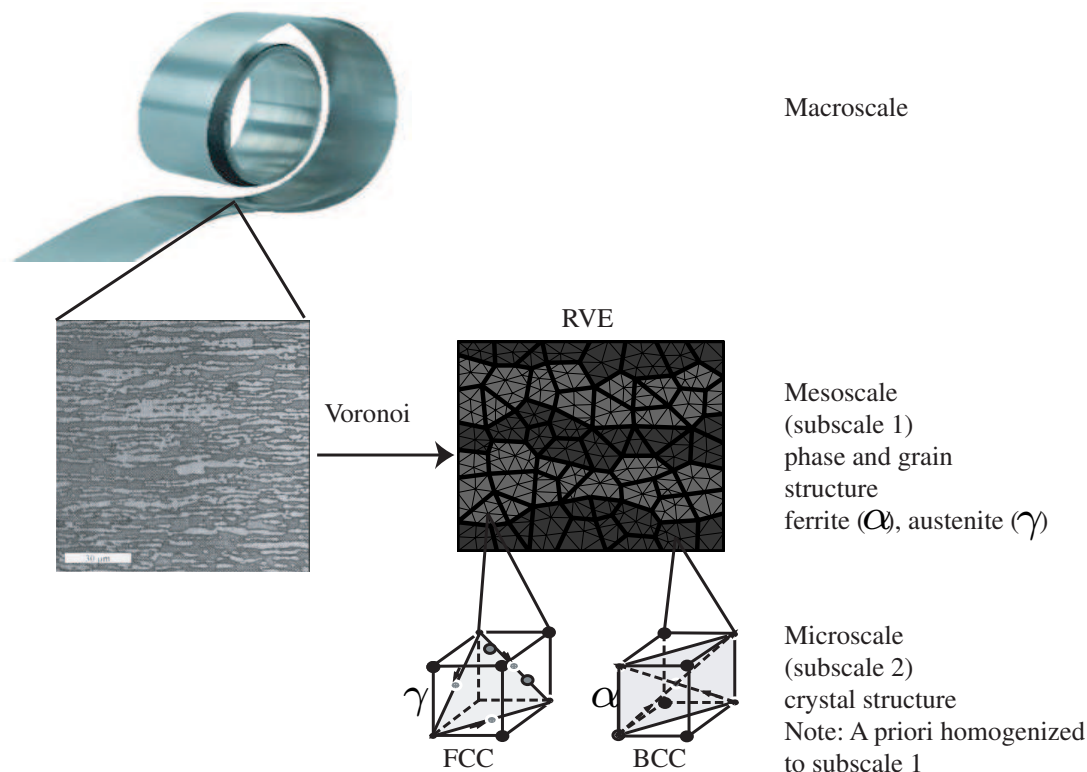


# Modeling of selected material classes

- Porous media saturated with pore fluid
  - *Macroscale*: Porous Media Theory
  - *Mesoscale*: Particles in matrix, homogenization of subscale transient  $\rightsquigarrow$  "double time-scales", incomplete scale separation cf. "higher order" homogenization scheme in the spatial domain
  - *Microscale*: Modeling of permeability from Stokes' flow, dependence on deformable "particles"

# ”Appetizer”: Duplex Stainless Steel

- Multiscale modeling of two-phase (or three-phase) Duplex Stainless Steel (DSS) [Sandvik Materials Technology, Sweden]
- Micro-inhomogeneity: Grain structure, phase structure
- Subscale constitutive modeling: Large strain crystal plasticity, possibly with gradient enhancement to account for grain-size (Hall-Petch) effect



- Homogenization:  
Dimensional reduction  
3D crystal structure  $\rightarrow$   
plane stress **appropriate definition ?**
- Example of application:  
Ultrathin foils  $\sim 0.05$   
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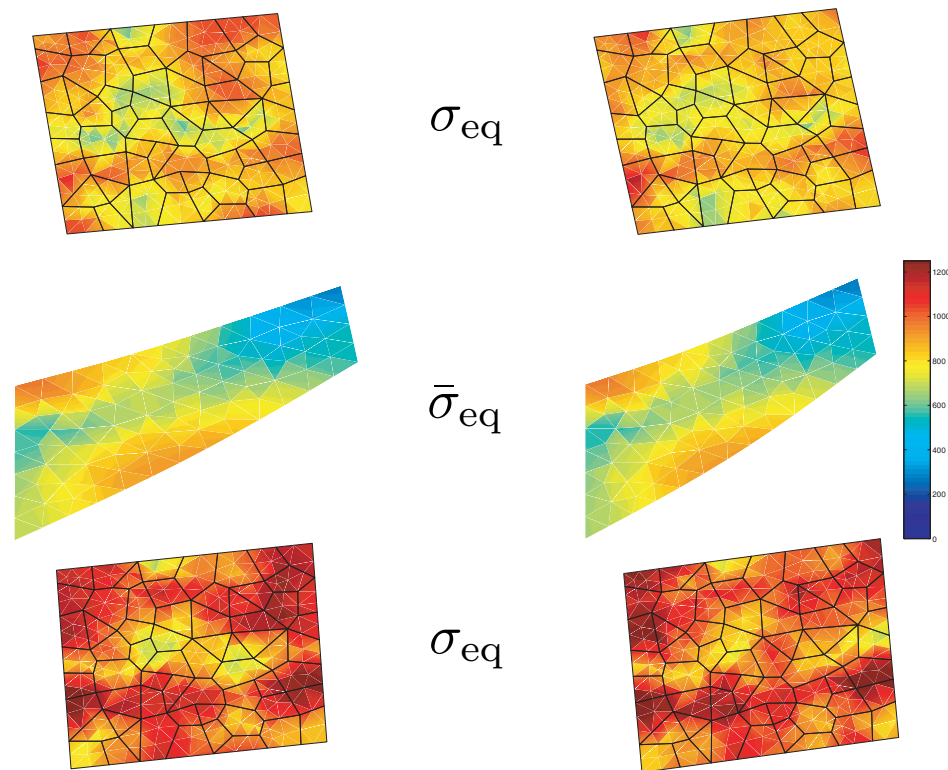
# FE<sup>2</sup> applied to thin DSS-membrane

Dimensional reduction on subscale:  
*macroscale plane stress* (left figure)

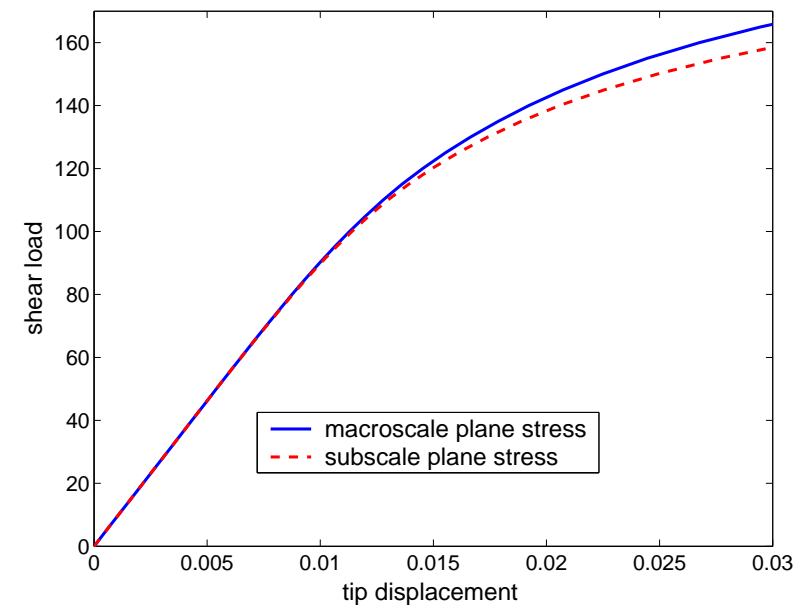
*subscale plane stress* (right figure):

$\sigma_{\text{eq}}$  = subscale Mises stress

$\bar{\sigma}_{\text{eq}}$  = macroscale Mises stress



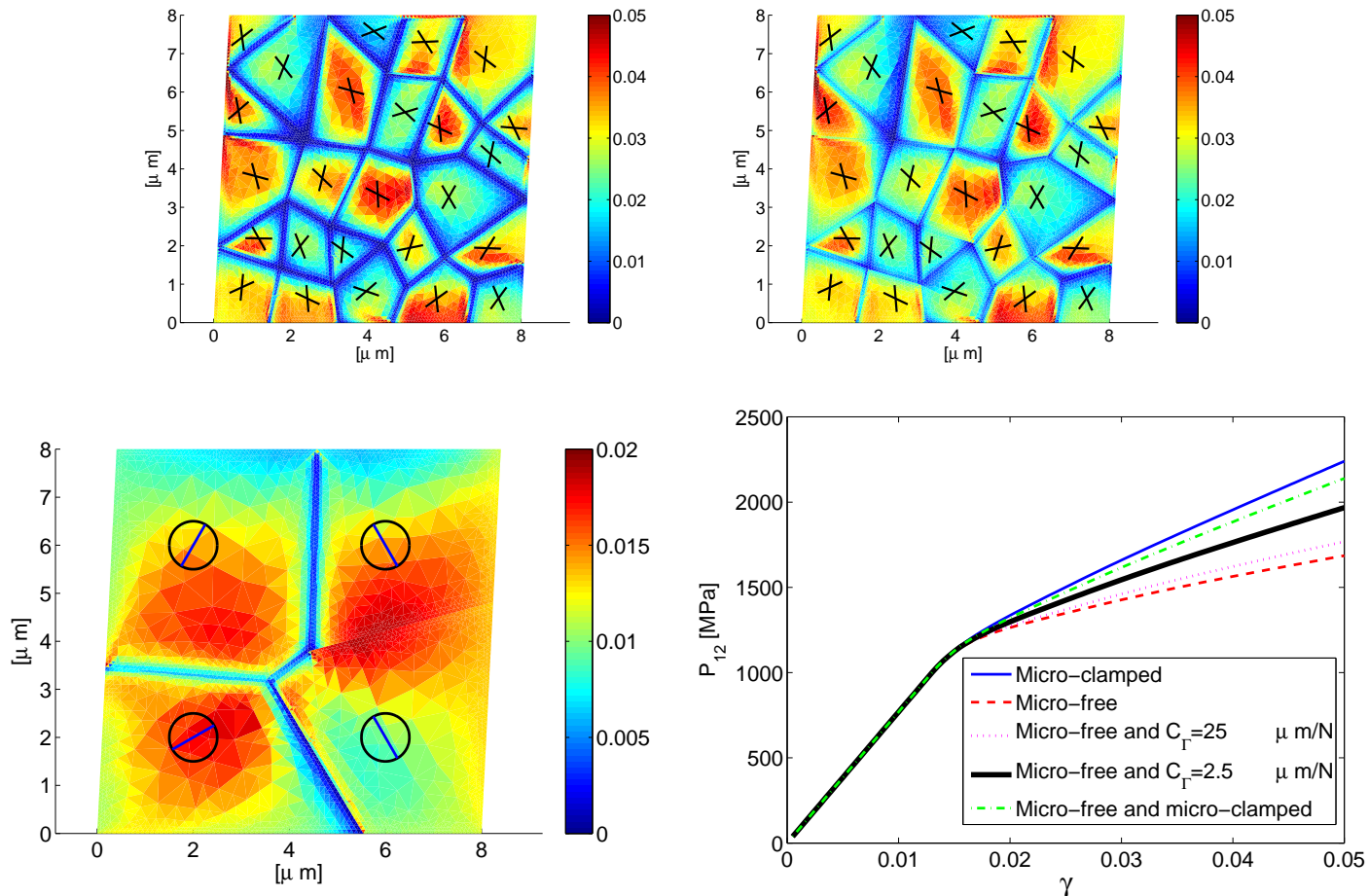
## Macroscale response



- LILLBACKA ET AL.: *Int. J. Multiscale Comp. Engng.* [2007] Note: No adaptivity

# Grain interaction – size effect

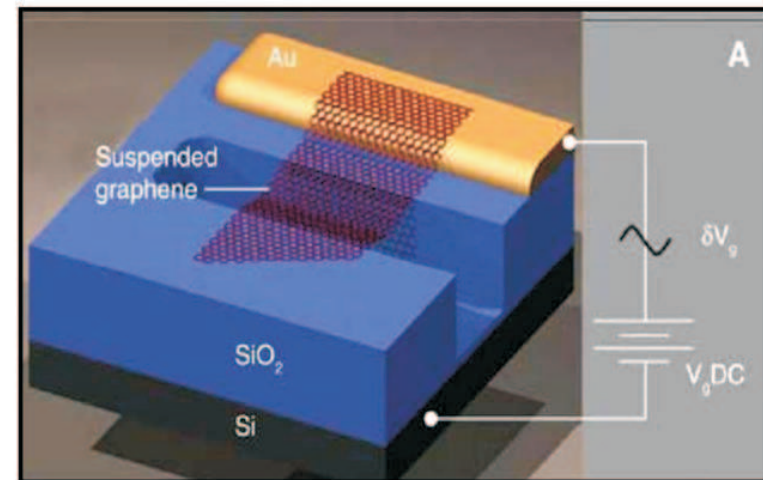
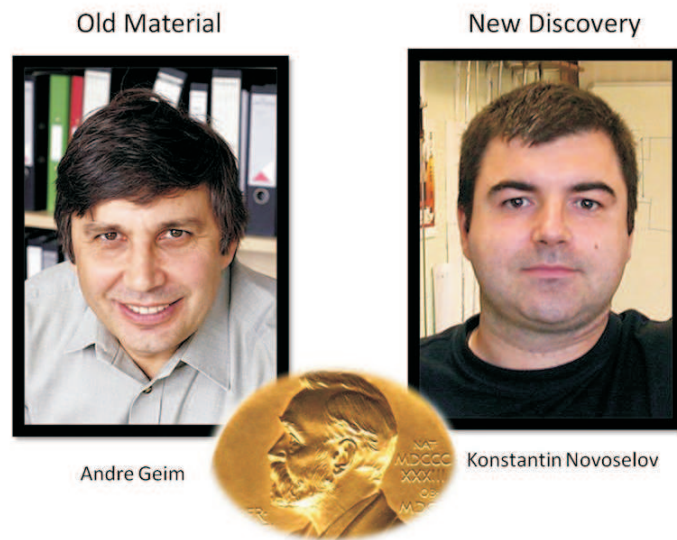
- Subscale modeling: Gradient-enhanced theory of crystal (visco)plasticity. Dirichlet b.c. of RVE corresponding to simple shear.
- *Left figure:* Microhard (clamped) grain boundaries. *Right:* Grain boundary interaction dependent on crystal misalignment



# "Appetizer": Atomistic systems - graphene

Ph.D. project by Kaveh S

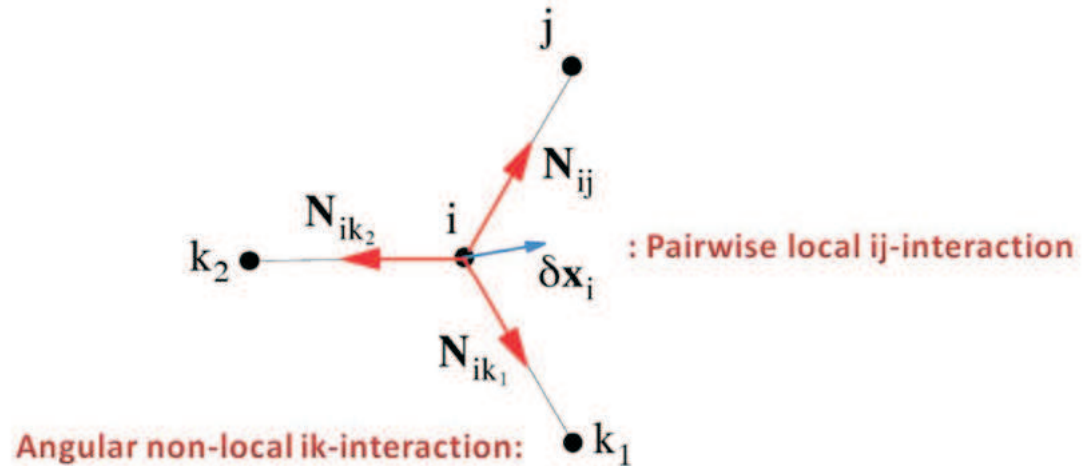
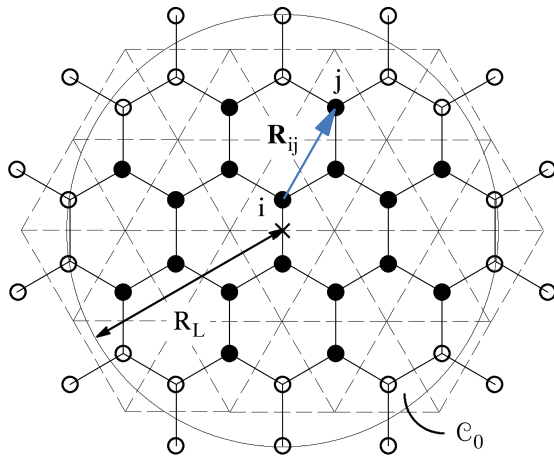
- Unique stable 2D lattice, single atom layer
- *Nobel prize 2011*



J.S.Bunch *et al.* **Science** 315,490(07)

# Atomistic systems - graphene

- Atomic interaction: Tersoff-Brenner pairwise potential, includes angular "non-local" attraction (in addition to conventional "local" pairwise interaction)



$$\psi_{ij} =_{ij} - \psi_{Aij} \overline{B}_{ij}$$

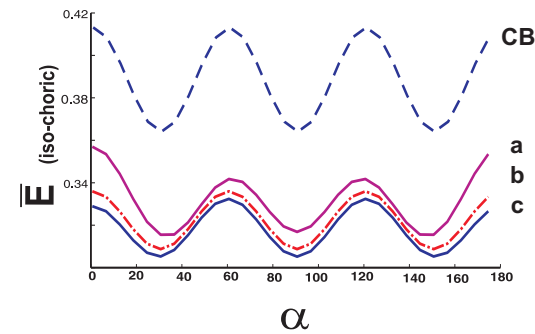
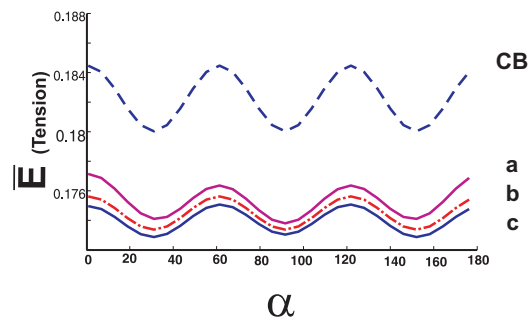
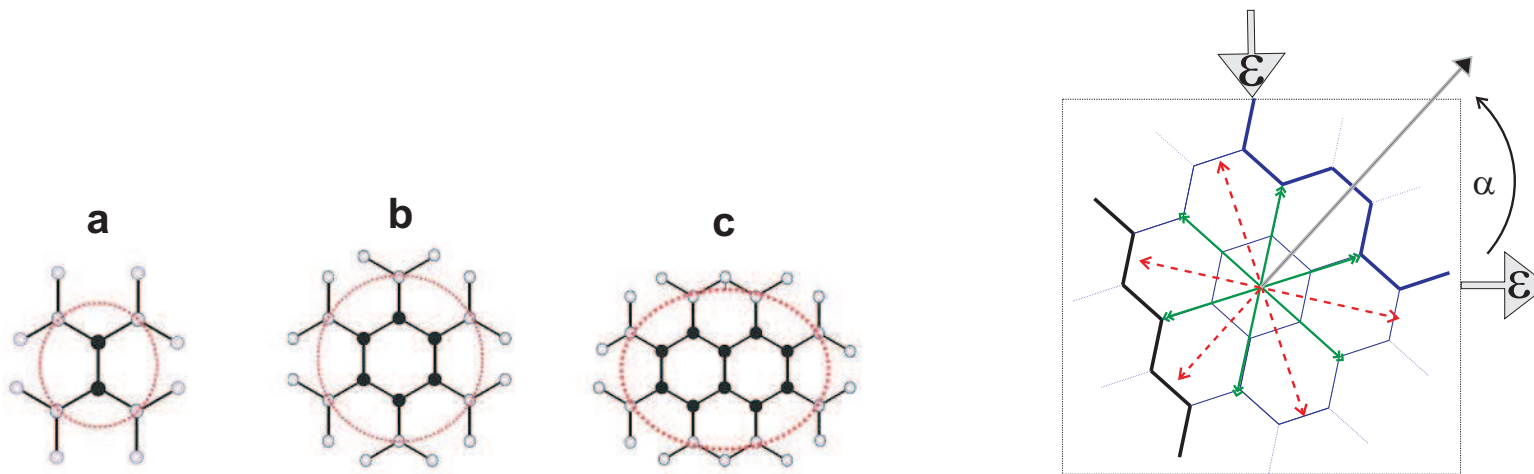
$$\psi_{Rij} \leftrightarrow \text{Repulsion}, \quad \psi_{Aij} \leftrightarrow \text{Attraction}, \quad \overline{B}_{ij} \leftrightarrow \text{Angular term} \quad (1)$$

- Homogenized to continuum: Large strain membrane theory – "near-atomic" bending ignored



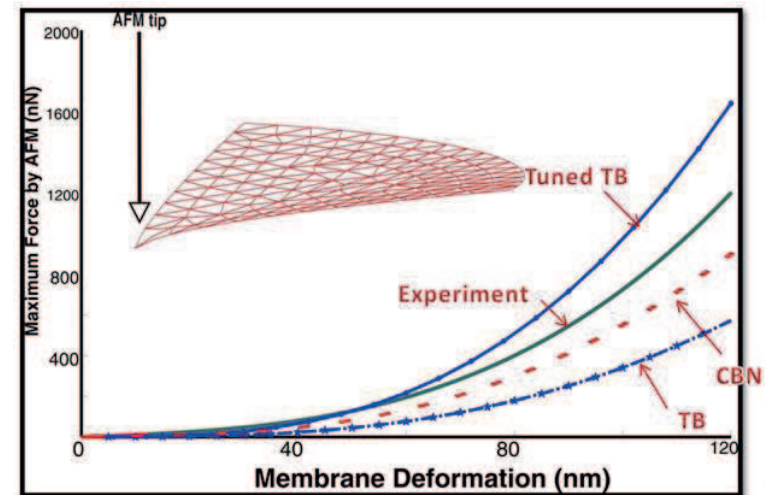
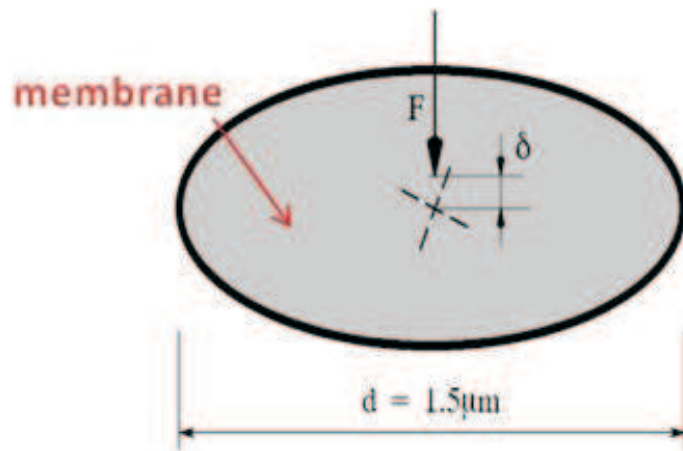
# Atomistic systems - graphene

- Homogenized response for increasing size of "Representative Unit Lattice" (RUL): Dirichlet b.c. versus Cauchy-Born (CB) rule, influence of lattice anisotropy



# Atomistic systems - graphene

- Experimental validation using AFM test result, HONE ET AL. 2008





# ”Appetizer”: Moisture/chloride transport in concrete

Ph.D. project by Filip Nilenius

- Composition: Cement paste *permeable*, Ballast stones *impermeable*, Interfacial Transition Zone (ITZ) *highly permeable*
- Transport of chloride and moisture: transient and highly nonlinear coupled phenomena
- High concentration of chloride ions  $\leadsto$  reinforcement corrosion  $\leadsto$  concrete spalling



Figure 1: Corroded re-bars



Figure 2: Concrete specimen

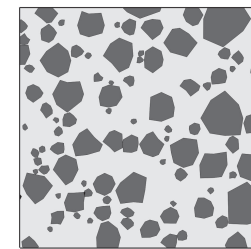
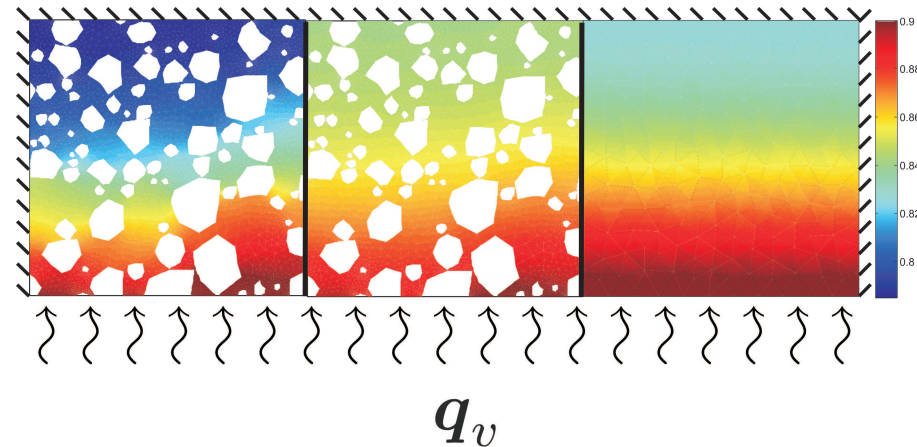


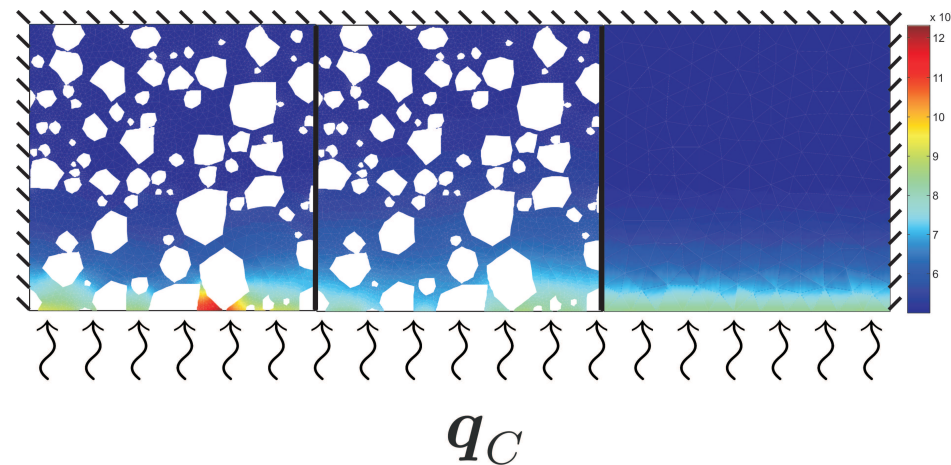
Figure 3: RVE

# Computational results for single RVE

- Snapshot of moisture vapor distribution in selected time step



- Snapshot of chloride concentration distribution in selected time step

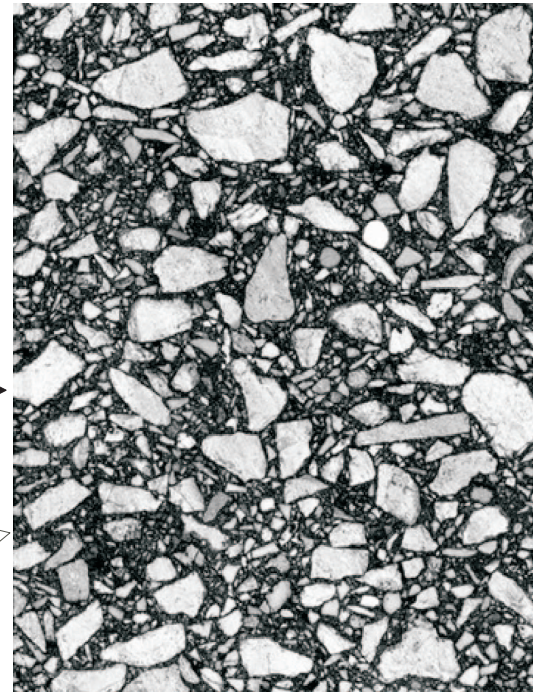
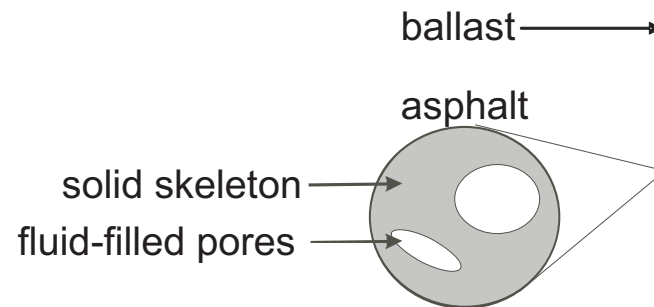


*Left:* Cement paste + ballast, *Middle:* Cement paste + ballast + ITZ, *Right:* Pure cement paste

# ”Appetizer”: Consolidation in porous granular media

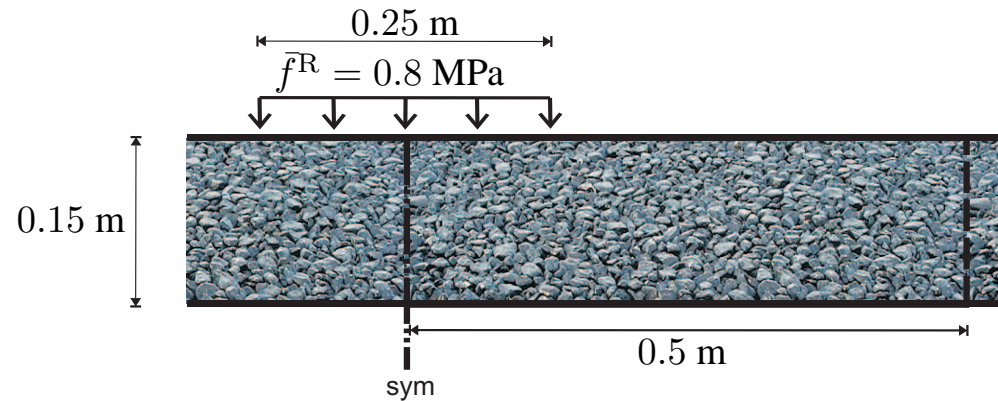
- Multiscale modeling of porous fine-grained granular material with pore-fluid, such as asphalt concrete (sand/bitumen mixture with embedded stones)
- Micro-inhomogeneity: particles in matrix
- **Note:** Intrinsically time-dependent (seepage)

Multiscale material modeling of asphalt-concrete for road pavements

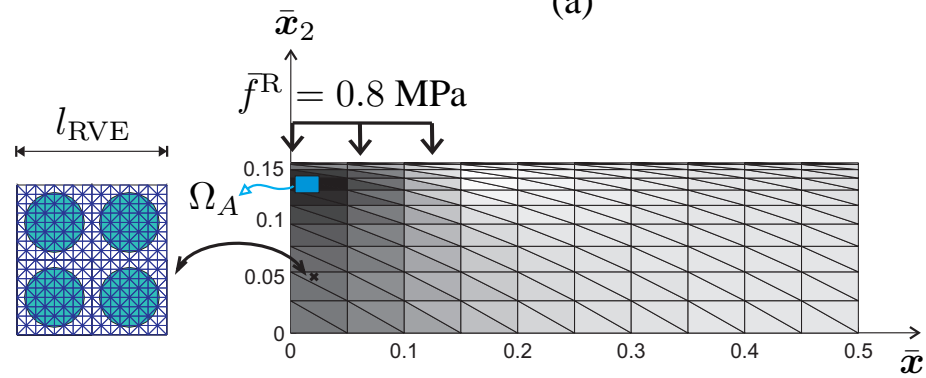


# Consolidation of pavement layer

- Plane consolidation of symmetrically loaded (semi-infinite) layer of asphalt-concrete. RVE consisting of  $2 \times 2$  unit cells. Dirichlet b.c. adopted.



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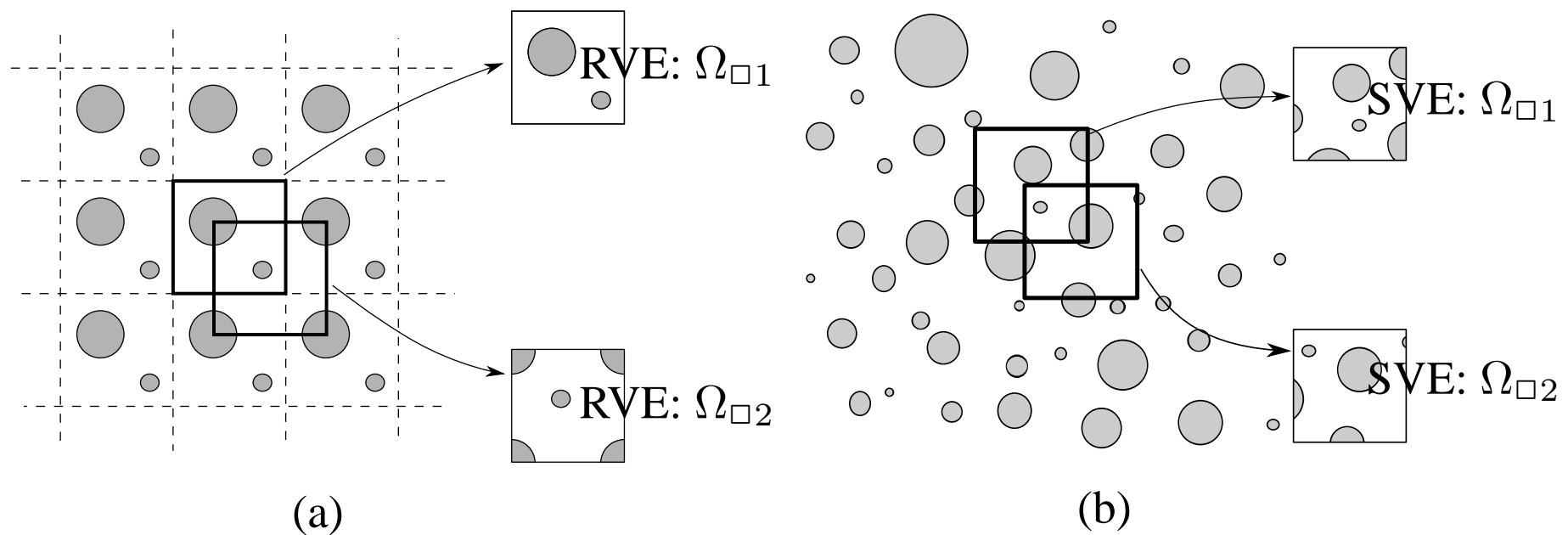


(b)

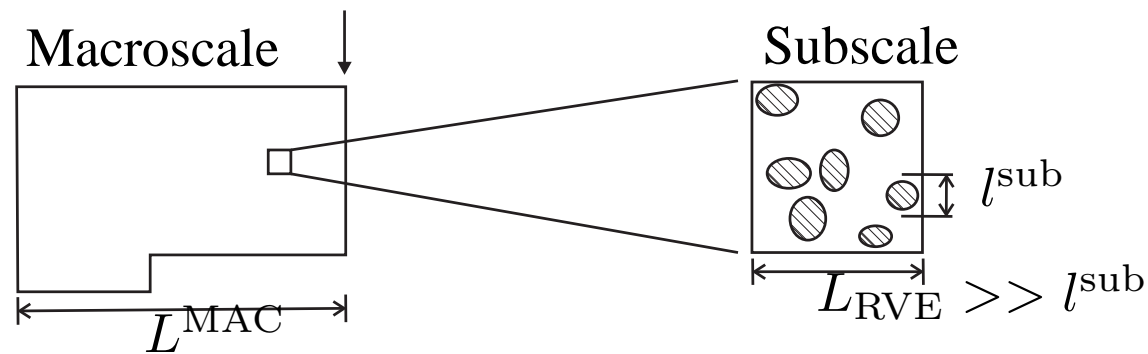


# Periodic versus random substructures

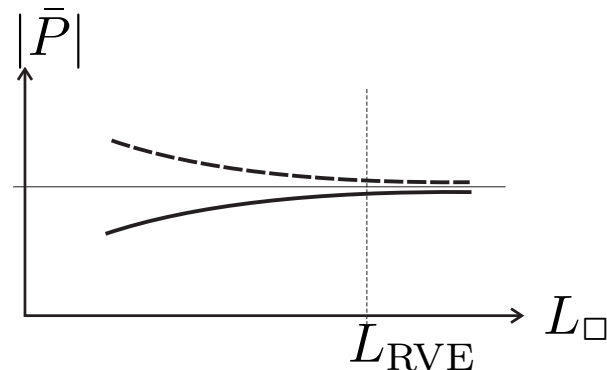
- Periodic micro-structure with two selected equivalent RVE's obtained by "translation" of the centroid (Figure a)
- Aperiodic (random) micro-structure with SVE's (Statistical Volume Element, coined by OSTOJA-S.), taken from a single realization of random structure (Figure b). The microstructure is characterized by the same average volume fractions of matrix and particles as the periodic structure.



# Representative Volume Element



(a)



(b)

- Conditions on size of RVE
  - Sufficiently small compared to the typical macroscale dimension of the structural component,  $L_{\text{RVE}} \ll L^{\text{MAC}}$ .
  - Sufficiently large compared to the typical subscale dimension of micro-constituents, e.g. grains,  $l^{\text{sub}} \ll L_{\text{RVE}}$ .

# Average strain and stress representations

- Volume average on  $\Omega_\square$ , boundary  $\Gamma_\square$

$$\langle \bullet \rangle_\square \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{|\Omega_\square|} \int_{\Omega_\square} \bullet \, d\Omega$$

- Strain ( $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{u} \otimes \nabla$ ),  $\mathbf{N}$  = normal

$$\langle \mathbf{H} \rangle_\square = \frac{1}{|\Omega_\square|} \int_{\Omega_\square} \mathbf{H} \, d\Omega = \frac{1}{|\Omega_\square|} \int_{\Gamma_\square} \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{N} \, d\Gamma$$

- Stress ( $-\mathbf{P} \cdot \nabla = \mathbf{f}$ ),  $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{N}$  = traction

$$\langle \mathbf{P} \rangle_\square = \frac{1}{|\Omega_\square|} \int_{\Omega_\square} \mathbf{P} \, d\Omega = \frac{1}{|\Omega_\square|} \int_{\Gamma_\square} \mathbf{t} \otimes \mathbf{X} \, d\Gamma + \frac{1}{|\Omega_\square|} \int_{\Omega_\square} \mathbf{f} \otimes \mathbf{X} \, d\Omega$$

*Special case:  $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{0}$  (usual assumption)*

$$\langle \mathbf{P} \rangle_\square = \frac{1}{|\Omega_\square|} \int_{\Gamma_\square} \mathbf{t} \otimes \mathbf{X} \, d\Gamma$$

## Effective properties – Linear elasticity

- Subscale linear elasticity (Lagrangian setting). Small deformations:  $\mathbf{E}$  is standard elasticity stiffness tensor with major and minor symmetries

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{E} : \mathbf{H}, \quad \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{C} : \mathbf{P}, \quad \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{C}^{-1}$$

- $\mathbf{P}$  becomes symmetrical due to first *minor* symmetry of  $\mathbf{E}$
- Only the symmetric part of  $\mathbf{H}$ , which may be non-symmetric, contributes to  $\mathbf{P}$
- Effective constitutive relation, assume  $L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty$  (RVE)

$$\bar{\mathbf{P}} = \bar{\mathbf{E}} : \bar{\mathbf{H}}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{C}} : \bar{\mathbf{P}}$$

- Strain concentration tensor

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X}) : \bar{\mathbf{H}}, \quad \mathbf{X} \in \Omega_{\square} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \bar{\mathbf{E}} = \langle \mathbf{A} : \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square}$$



# Effective properties – Linear elasticity, cont'd

- Macrohomogeneity

$$\langle \mathbf{P} : \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} = \langle \mathbf{P} \rangle_{\square} : \langle \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} (= \bar{\mathbf{P}} : \bar{\mathbf{H}})$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \bar{\mathbf{E}} = \langle \mathbf{A}^T : \mathbf{E} : \mathbf{A} \rangle_{\square}$$

Major symmetry!

- Challenge:  $\bar{\mathbf{E}}$  not computable for  $L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty$  (RVE) in principle. Common strategies (in the classical literature on homogenization) aim for
  - sharp bounds on (the eigenvalues) of  $\bar{\mathbf{E}}$
  - or a good approximation of  $\bar{\mathbf{E}}$  via a suitable choice of the strain concentration field  $\mathbf{A}$ , or "clever" approximations of the displacement gradient and stress fields within the RVE

# Homogenization – Effective properties

- Closed-form homogenization approaches – linear elasticity
  - Mean field methods for matrix-inclusions composites: Eshelby solution for dilute inclusions ESHELBY 1959, Mori-Tanaka-type approaches for non-dilute composite MORI, TANAKA 1973, HASHIN-SHTRIKMAN 1962,
  - Classical bounds based on "rule of mixtures": Upper bound VOIGT 1887, TAYLOR 1938 (polycrystalline structure), CAUCHY-BORN 1890 (atomistic structure). Lower bound REUSS, HILL 1970, SACHS 1928 (polycrystalline structure)
- Computational homogenization
  - Direct FE-computation on "unit cell" SUQUET 1985
  - Bounds based on "virtual statistical testing", HAZANOV AND HUET 1994, ZOHDI 2004
  - Hybrid techniques: Windowing (embedding of "unit cell" in larger domain), .....
- Selected texts (classical theory): NEMAT-NASSER & HORI (1993), SUQUET (1997), TORQUATO (2002), OSTOJA-STARZEWSKI (2007)

# Classical prolongation conditions on SVE

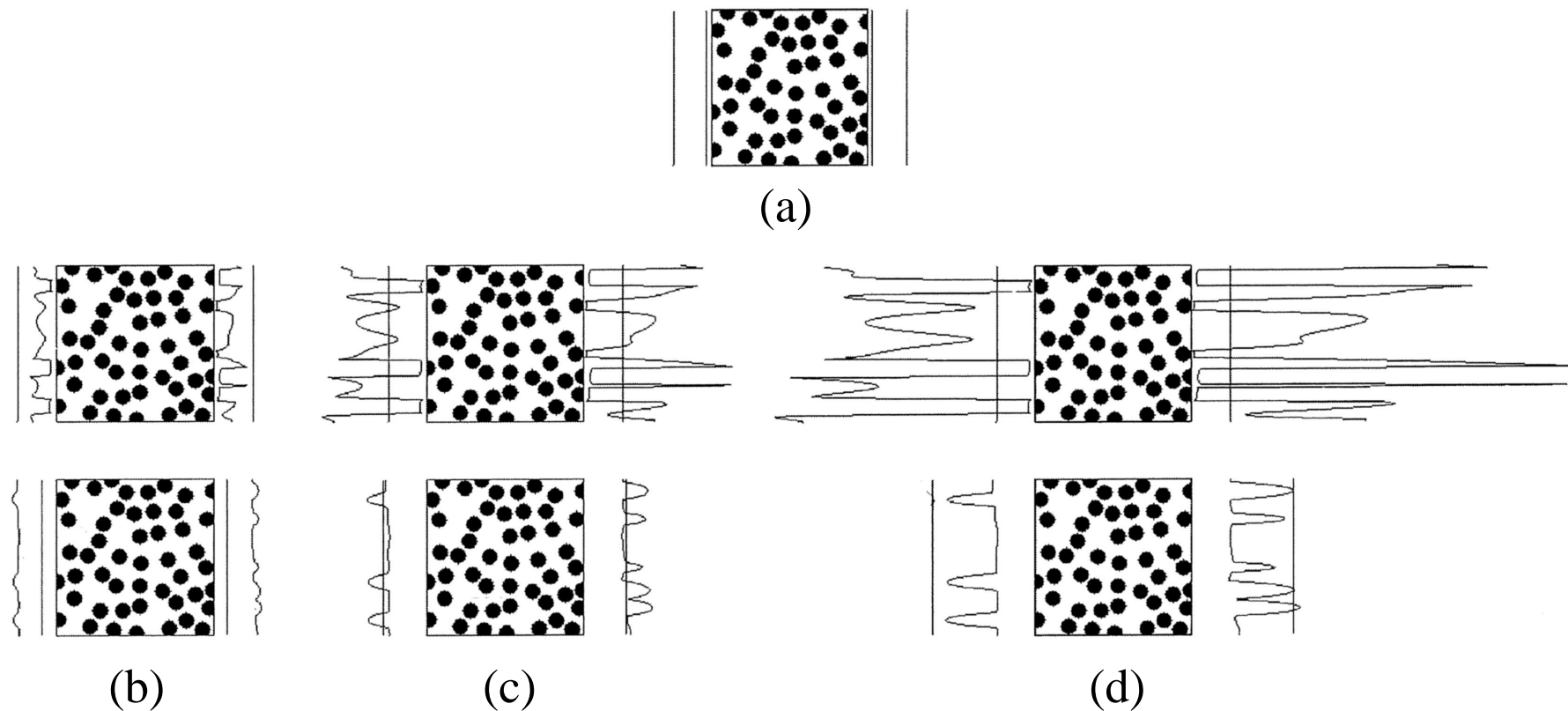
- Major issue: Boundary conditions on SVE that ensure best possible approximation of  $\bar{\mathbf{E}}$
- Classical conditions:
  - Boundary displacements generated by a macroscale strain  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}$  (denoted the DBC-problem) – Dirichlet b.c.
  - Boundary tractions generated by a macroscale stress  $\bar{\mathbf{P}}$  (denoted the TBC-problem) – Neumann b.c.
  - Periodic boundary displacements and antiperiodic tractions (denoted the PBC-problem), realizable in practice only for a cubic in 3D (square in 2D) SVE
- Type of "load control" independent on prolongation conditions:
  - Macroscale "strain control":  $\langle \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square}$  is prescribed to value  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}$
  - Macroscale "stress control":  $\langle \mathbf{P} \rangle_{\square}$  is prescribed to value  $\bar{\mathbf{P}}$
- **Note:** Strain control useful for (i) standard displacement-based FE on macroscale, (ii) core-algorithm in constitutive driver for plane stress, etc

# Classical prolongation conditions on SVE, cont'd

- Assessment of prolongation conditions
  - Periodic microstructure: PBC exact for  $L_{\square} = L_{\text{per}}$
  - Random microstructure: PBC "good"
- **Remarks:**
  - All prolongation conditions: Convergence to  $\bar{\mathbf{E}}$  for  $L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty$
  - No prolongation condition gives guaranteed "best" approximation to  $\bar{\mathbf{E}}$  (in some measure)  $\Rightarrow$  Not possible to establish "model hierarchy"
  - No prolongation condition gives guaranteed upper or lower bound to  $\bar{\mathbf{E}}$  for a **single realization** of a random microstructure
  - Possible to obtain guaranteed bounds (within given confidence interval) using "statistical sampling" of random microstructure

# Classical prolongation conditions on SVE, cont'd

- Assessment of prolongation conditions: Effect depends on degree of microheterogeneity [Figure from OSTOJA-STARZEWSKI (2007)]



Fluctuations of boundary fields for different mismatch of the shear modulus  $G$ . (a) Homogenous:  $G^{(p)} / G^{(m)} = 1$ . (b)  $G^{(p)} / G^{(m)} = 0.2$ . (c)  $G^{(p)} / G^{(m)} = 0.05$ . (d)  $G^{(p)} / G^{(m)} = 0.02$ .

# Hill-Mandel macrohomogeneity condition

- "Virtual work" identity for macro- and subscales: For *statically admissible*  $\mathbf{P}'$  and *kinematically admissible*  $\mathbf{H}''$

$$\langle \mathbf{P}' : \mathbf{H}'' \rangle_{\square} = \langle \mathbf{P}' \rangle_{\square} : \langle \mathbf{H}'' \rangle_{\square}$$

- Useful identity

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{P}' : \mathbf{H}'' \rangle_{\square} &= \frac{1}{|\Omega_{\square}|} \int_{\Omega_{\square}} \mathbf{P}' : \mathbf{H}'' \, d\Omega = \frac{1}{\Omega_{\square}} \left[ \int_{\Omega_{\square}} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{u}'' \, d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma_{\square}} \mathbf{t}' \cdot \mathbf{u}'' \, d\Gamma \right] \\ &\stackrel{\mathbf{f}=\mathbf{0}}{=} \frac{1}{|\Omega_{\square}|} \int_{\Gamma_{\square}} \mathbf{t}' \cdot \mathbf{u}'' \, d\Gamma \end{aligned}$$

- Decomposition into "macro" and "fluctuation" parts

$$\mathbf{u}'' = \bar{\mathbf{u}}'' + \bar{\mathbf{H}}'' \cdot [\mathbf{X} - \bar{\mathbf{X}}] + (\mathbf{u}^s)'' \quad \Rightarrow \quad (\mathbf{H}^s)'' \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{H}'' - \bar{\mathbf{H}}'', \quad \langle (\mathbf{H}^s)'' \rangle_{\square} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{P}' = \bar{\mathbf{P}}' + (\mathbf{P}^s)', \quad \langle (\mathbf{P}^s)' \rangle_{\square} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \quad \langle (\mathbf{P}^s)' : (\mathbf{H}^s)'' \rangle_{\square} = 0$$

# Hill-Mandel macrohomogeneity condition, cont'd

- Alternative classical formulation of HM-condition

$$\int_{\Gamma_{\square}} \left[ \mathbf{t}' - \bar{\mathbf{P}}' \cdot \mathbf{N} \right] \cdot \left[ \mathbf{u}'' - \bar{\mathbf{u}}'' - \bar{\mathbf{H}}'' \cdot [\mathbf{X} - \bar{\mathbf{X}}] \right] d\Gamma = 0$$

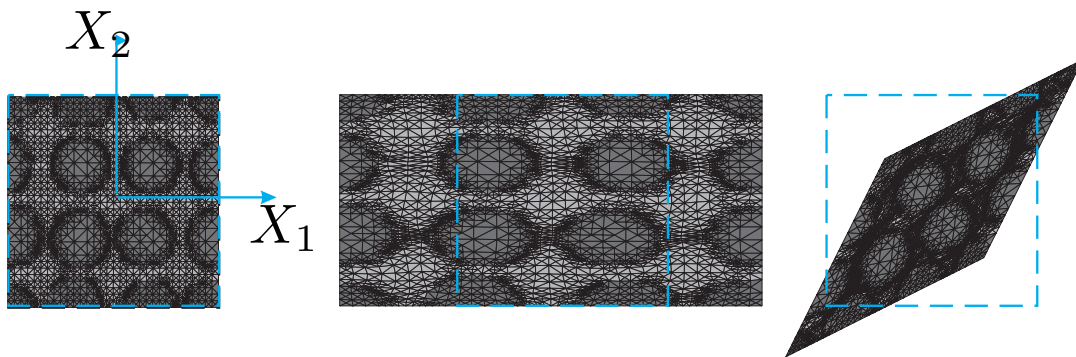
# Displacement boundary condition (DBC)

- Model assumption

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{X}) = \bar{\mathbf{u}} + \bar{\mathbf{H}} \cdot [\mathbf{X} - \bar{\mathbf{X}}], \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{u}^s(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{X} \in \Gamma_{\square}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} = \bar{\mathbf{H}}$$

- **Note:** HM-condition satisfied a priori



Examples of deformed shapes of square

RVE with particles in matrix subjected to DBC. (Left) Undeformed RVE. (Middle) Normal displacement gradient: Only  $\bar{H}_{11}$  is non-zero. (Right) Shear strain: Only  $\bar{H}_{12} = \bar{H}_{21}$  is non-zero.



# Traction boundary condition (TBC)

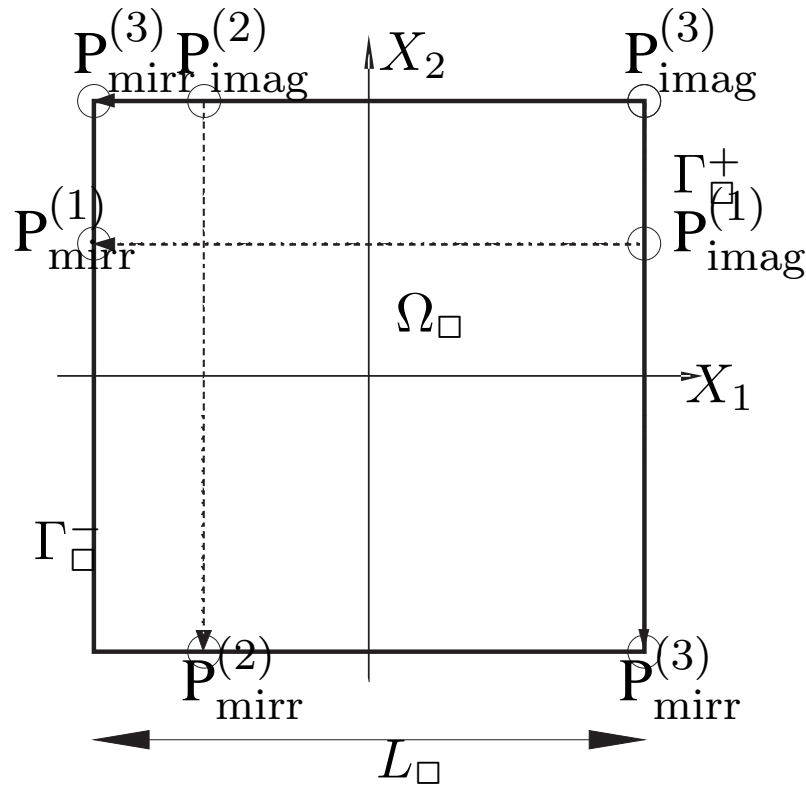
- Model assumption

$$t(\mathbf{X}) = \bar{\mathbf{P}} \cdot \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{X}) \quad \text{or} \quad t^s(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{X} \in \Gamma_{\square}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{P} \rangle_{\square} = \bar{\mathbf{P}}$$

- **Note:** HM-condition satisfied a priori

# Periodic boundary condition (PBC)



- Cubic (square) SVE with assumed microperiodicity in coordinate directions:  $\Gamma_{\square} = \Gamma_{\square}^{-} \cup \Gamma_{\square}^{+}$ 
  - Image boundary  $\Gamma_{\square}^{+}$  computational domain
  - Mirror boundary  $\Gamma_{\square}^{-}$

## Periodic boundary condition (PBC), cont'd

- Model assumption: Assumed periodicity of displacement fluctuation

$$\mathbf{u}^s(\mathbf{X}^+) = \mathbf{u}^s(\mathbf{X}^-) \quad \text{or} \quad [[\mathbf{u}^s]] = \mathbf{0}$$

- Model assumption: Assumed anti-periodicity of traction

$$\mathbf{t}(\mathbf{X}^+) = -\mathbf{t}(\mathbf{X}^-) \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{t}(\mathbf{X}^+) + \mathbf{t}(\mathbf{X}^-) = \mathbf{0}$$

- Necessary assumption [literature somewhat vague on this point]
- Anti-periodic  $\mathbf{t}$  can be interpreted as periodic  $\mathbf{P}$
- **Note:** HM-condition satisfied a priori

# Classical energy bounds

- Bounds
  - "Apparant" stiffness (compliance) for single SVE (single realization),
  - Effective properties based on "numerical statistical testing"
- Tool: Fundamental extremal properties
  - DBC with strain control
  - TBC with stress control

## DBC – Extremal properties

- Admissible spaces
  - Kinematically admissible displacements

$$\mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\text{D}} = \{ \mathbf{u} \text{ "sufficiently regular", } \mathbf{u} = \bar{\mathbf{H}} \cdot [\mathbf{X} - \bar{\mathbf{X}}] \text{ on } \Gamma_{\square} \}$$

$$\mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\text{D},0} = \{ \mathbf{u} \text{ "sufficiently regular", } \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} \text{ on } \Gamma_{\square} \}$$

- Statically admissible stresses

$$\mathbb{S}_{\square}^{\text{D}} = \{ \mathbf{P} \text{ "sufficiently regular", } -\mathbf{P} \cdot \nabla = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \Omega_{\square} \}$$

- Fundamental DBC-problem with strain control: Find  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}$  which, for given  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}$ , solves

$$\langle \mathbf{H} : \mathbf{E} : \delta \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} = 0 \quad \forall \delta \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\text{D},0}$$

Post-processing:  $\bar{\mathbf{P}}^{\text{D}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \mathbf{P} \rangle_{\square}$

## DBC – Extremal properties, cont'd

- Min of potential energy

$$\Pi_{\square}^{\text{D}}(\mathbf{u}) \leq \Pi_{\square}^{\text{D}}(\hat{\mathbf{u}}) \quad \forall \hat{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\text{D}}, \quad \Pi_{\square}^{\text{D}}(\hat{\mathbf{u}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \langle \hat{\mathbf{H}} : \mathbf{E} : \hat{\mathbf{H}} \rangle_{\square}$$

- Strain energy obtained from min of  $\Pi_{\square}^{\text{D}}(\mathbf{u})$  using HM-condition

$$\bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{D}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \bar{\mathbf{H}} : \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{D}} : \bar{\mathbf{H}}$$

- Min of complementary potential energy

$$\Pi_{\square}^{*\text{D}}(\mathbf{P}) \leq \Pi_{\square}^{*\text{D}}(\hat{\mathbf{P}}) \quad \forall \hat{\mathbf{P}} \in \mathbb{S}_{\square}^{\text{D}} \quad \Pi_{\square}^{*\text{D}}(\hat{\mathbf{P}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \langle \hat{\mathbf{P}} : \mathbf{C} : \hat{\mathbf{P}} \rangle_{\square} - \langle \hat{\mathbf{P}} \rangle_{\square} : \bar{\mathbf{H}}$$

- Combining min-properties gives fundamental result to be used in constructing bounds:

$$\langle \hat{\mathbf{P}} \rangle_{\square} : \bar{\mathbf{H}} - \frac{1}{2} \langle \hat{\mathbf{P}} : \mathbf{C} : \hat{\mathbf{P}} \rangle_{\square} \leq \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{D}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \leq \frac{1}{2} \langle \hat{\mathbf{H}} : \mathbf{E} : \hat{\mathbf{H}} \rangle_{\square} \quad \forall \hat{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\text{D}}, \quad \forall \hat{\mathbf{P}} \in \mathbb{S}_{\square}^{\text{D}}$$

## TBC – Extremal properties

- Admissible spaces
  - Kinematically admissible displacements

$$\mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\text{N}} = \{ \mathbf{u} \text{ "sufficiently regular", } \mathbf{u}(\bar{\mathbf{X}}) = \mathbf{0} \}$$

- Statically admissible stresses

$$\mathbb{S}_{\square}^{\text{N}} = \{ \mathbf{P} \text{ "sufficiently regular", } -\mathbf{P} \cdot \nabla = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \Omega_{\square}, \mathbf{t} = \bar{\mathbf{P}} \cdot \mathbf{N} \text{ on } \Gamma_{\square} \}$$

- Fundamental TBC-problem with stress control: Find  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\text{N}}$  which, for given  $\bar{\mathbf{P}}$ , solves

$$\langle \mathbf{H} : \mathbf{E} : \delta \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} = \bar{\mathbf{P}} : \langle \delta \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} \quad \forall \delta \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\text{N}}$$

Post-processing:  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}^{\text{N}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square}$

## TBC – Extremal properties, cont'd

- Min of complementary potential energy

$$\Pi_{\square}^{*N}(\mathbf{P}) \leq \Pi_{\square}^{*N}(\hat{\mathbf{P}}) \quad \forall \hat{\mathbf{P}} \in \mathbb{S}_{\square}^N \quad \Pi_{\square}^{*D}(\hat{\mathbf{P}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \langle \hat{\mathbf{P}} : \mathbf{C} : \hat{\mathbf{P}} \rangle_{\square}$$

- Complementary strain (stress) energy obtained from min of  $\Pi_{\square}^{*N}(\mathbf{P})$  using HM-condition

$$\bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*N}(\bar{\mathbf{P}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \bar{\mathbf{P}} : \bar{\mathbf{C}}_{\square}^N : \bar{\mathbf{P}}$$

- Min of potential energy

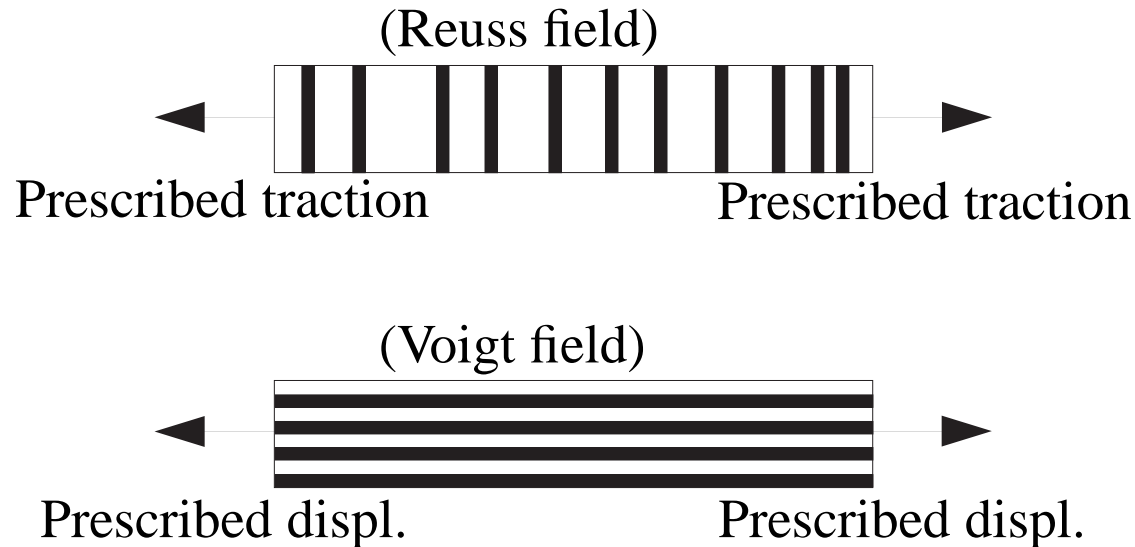
$$\Pi_{\square}^N(\mathbf{u}) \leq \Pi_{\square}^N(\hat{\mathbf{u}}) \quad \forall \hat{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^N, \quad \Pi_{\square}^N(\hat{\mathbf{u}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \langle \hat{\mathbf{H}} : \mathbf{E} : \hat{\mathbf{H}} \rangle_{\square} - \bar{\mathbf{P}} : \langle \hat{\mathbf{H}} \rangle_{\square}$$

- Combining min-properties gives fundamental result to be used in constructing bounds:

$$\bar{\mathbf{P}} : \langle \hat{\mathbf{H}} \rangle_{\square} - \frac{1}{2} \langle \hat{\mathbf{H}} : \mathbf{E} : \hat{\mathbf{H}} \rangle_{\square} \leq \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*N}(\bar{\mathbf{P}}) \leq \frac{1}{2} \langle \hat{\mathbf{P}} : \mathbf{C} : \hat{\mathbf{P}} \rangle_{\square} \quad \forall \hat{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^N, \quad \forall \hat{\mathbf{P}} \in \mathbb{S}_{\square}^N$$



# Voigt (upper) and Reuss (lower) bounds



- Voigt (Taylor) assumption  $\hat{H}(X) = \bar{H}, \forall X$

$$\bar{\psi}_{\square}^D(\bar{H}) \leq \frac{1}{2} \bar{H} : \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle_{\square} : \bar{H} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{H} : \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^V : \bar{H} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bar{\psi}_{\square}^V(\bar{H}), \quad \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^V \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle_{\square}$$

- Reuss (Sachs) assumption  $\hat{P}(X) = \bar{P}, \forall X$

$$\bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*N}(\bar{P}) \leq \frac{1}{2} \bar{P} : \langle \mathbf{C} \rangle_{\square} : \bar{P} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{P} : \bar{\mathbf{C}}_{\square}^R : \bar{P} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*R}(\bar{P}), \quad \bar{\mathbf{C}}_{\square}^R \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \mathbf{C} \rangle_{\square}$$

## Voigt and Reuss bounds, cont'd

- Only info used is volume fraction of microconstituents  $\Rightarrow$  Valid also for effective properties (when  $L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Hill-Reuss-Voigt bounds

$$\bar{\mathbf{E}}^{\text{R}} \leq \bar{\mathbf{E}} \leq \bar{\mathbf{E}}^{\text{V}}$$

## Bounds for single SVE-realization

- Fundamental inequality for DBC-problem can be used to obtain bounds for strain energy

$$\bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{R}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \leq \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{N}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \leq \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{D}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \leq \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{V}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \quad \forall \bar{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

- Fundamental inequality for TBC-problem can be used to obtain bounds for stress energy

$$\bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*\text{V}}(\bar{\mathbf{P}}) \leq \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*\text{D}}(\bar{\mathbf{P}}) \leq \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*\text{N}}(\bar{\mathbf{P}}) \leq \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*\text{R}}(\bar{\mathbf{P}}) \quad \forall \bar{\mathbf{P}} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

- **Note:** All stiffness-compliance tensors can be expressed in the fundamental tensors:

- $\bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{D}}$  from the DBC-problem
- $\bar{\mathbf{C}}_{\square}^{\text{N}}$  from the TBC-problem
- $\bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{V}} = \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle_{\square}$
- $\bar{\mathbf{C}}_{\square}^{\text{R}} = \langle \mathbf{C} \rangle_{\square}$

and their inverses

## Bounds on effective stiffness

- Aim for guaranteed upper and lower bounds on  $\bar{\psi}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \leftrightarrow \bar{\mathbf{E}}$
- Identities for effective properties:

$$\bar{\psi}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) = \lim_{L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{N}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) = \lim_{L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\psi}_{\square}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) = \lim_{L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{D}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}})$$

$$\bar{\psi}^*(\bar{\mathbf{P}}) = \lim_{L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*\text{D}}(\bar{\mathbf{P}}) = \lim_{L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\psi}_{\square}^*(\bar{\mathbf{P}}) = \lim_{L_{\square} \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{*\text{N}}(\bar{\mathbf{P}})$$

- Strategy to obtain upper bound: Introduce "large" SVE with size  $L_{(\square)} > L_{\square}$

$$\bar{\psi}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) = \lim_{L_{(\square)} \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\psi}_{(\square)}^{\text{D}}\{\bar{\mathbf{H}}, \omega_1\}$$

- Strategy of "numerical testing" using ergodicity arguments, HAZANOV AND HUET (1994)

$$\bar{\psi}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \leq \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{D}}\{\bar{\mathbf{H}}, \omega_i\} = E [\bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{D}}\{\bar{\mathbf{H}}, \tilde{\omega}\}]$$

## Bounds on effective stiffness, cont'd

- Approximation for  $N < \infty$

$$\bar{\psi}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \leq \bar{\psi}^{\text{UB}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{\psi}^{\text{UB}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \approx \bar{\psi}^{\text{D-V}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}})$$

and

$$\bar{\psi}^{\text{D-V}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \bar{\mathbf{H}} : \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{D-V}} : \bar{\mathbf{H}} \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{D-V}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{D}}(\omega_i)$$

- Similar arguments for lower bound, involving Legendre transformations

$$\bar{\psi}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \geq \bar{\psi}^{\text{LB}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{\psi}^{\text{LB}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \approx \bar{\psi}^{\text{N-R}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}})$$

and

$$\bar{\psi}^{\text{N-R}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \bar{\mathbf{H}} : \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{N-R}} : \bar{\mathbf{H}} \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{N-R}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{N}}(\omega_i) \right]^{-1} \right]^{-1}$$

## Bounds on effective stiffness, cont'd

- Summary

$$\bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{N-R}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \leq \bar{\psi}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \leq \bar{\psi}_{\square}^{\text{D-V}}(\bar{\mathbf{H}})$$

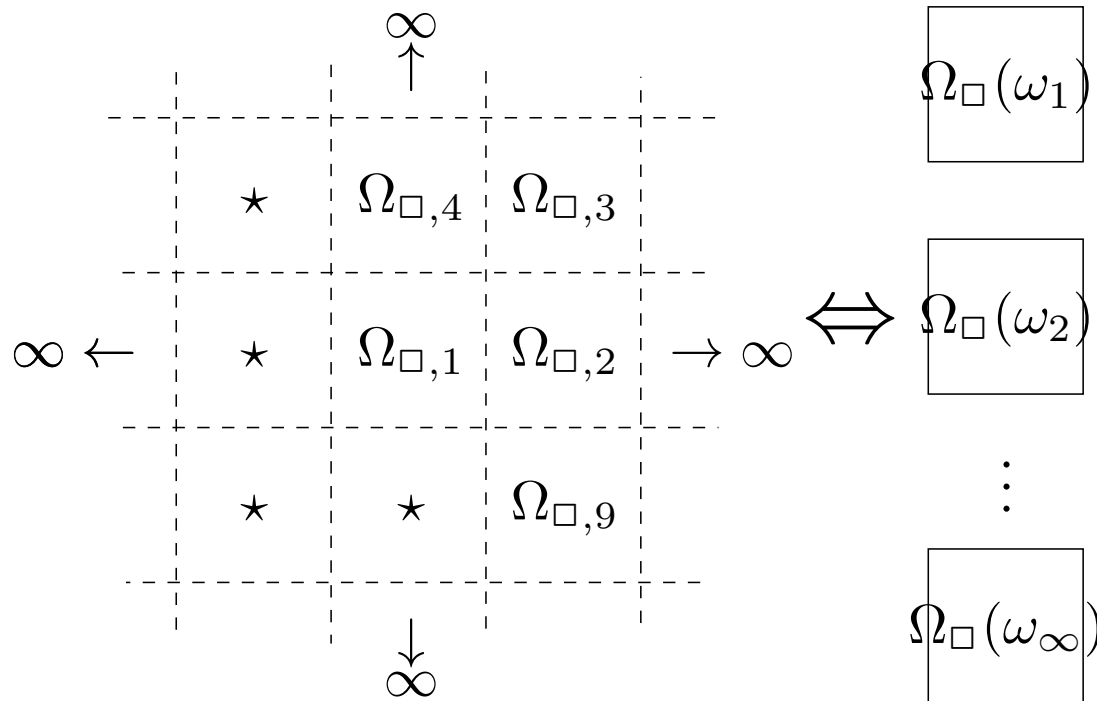
"V" and "R" denote "Voigt-type sampling" and "Reuss-type sampling", respectively

- **Remarks:**

- Bounds become more reliable when number of "samples" increase
- Guaranteed bounds within confidence intervals can be constructed assuming Gaussian distribution (manuscript in preparation) **New result, even for elasticity!**

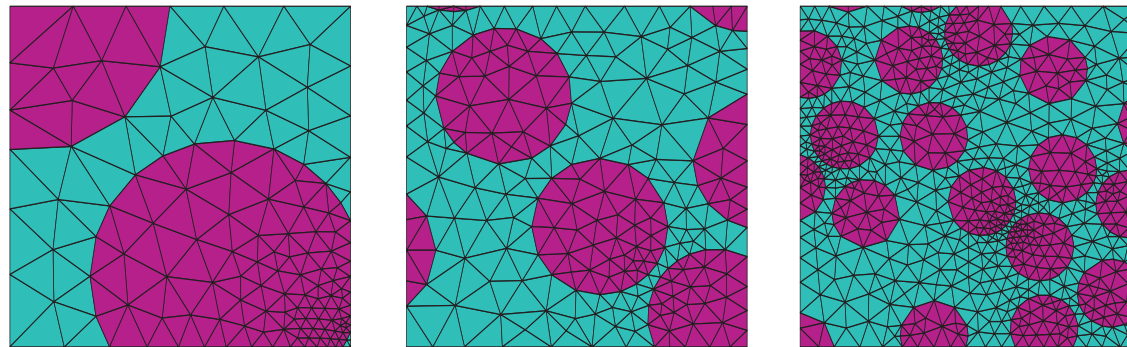
# Strategy of "numerical statistical testing"

- Single realization  $\omega_0$  for large domain  $\Omega_{(\square)}$ :  $N$  subdomains of the same size obtained by subdivision into subdomains of size  $L_{\square}$ ,  $\{\Omega_{\square,i}(\omega_0)\}_1^N$
- Single domain  $\Omega_{\square}$  of size  $L_{\square}$ :  $N$  different realizations in  $\Omega_{\square}$ ,  $\{\Omega_{\square}(\omega_i)\}_1^N$
- Ergodicity and statistical uniformity:  $\{\Omega_{\square,i}(\omega_0)\}_1^{\infty} \equiv \{\Omega_{\square}(\omega_i)\}_1^{\infty}$



# Computational results of bounds

- Single realization of random microstructure for different RVE-sizes: Stiff (hard) particles (p) in a compliant (soft) matrix material:  $E_p = 15E_{\text{ref}}$ ,  $\nu_p = 0.3$  and  $E_m = E_{\text{ref}}$ ,  $\nu_m = 0.49$ . Volume fraction  $n_p = 0.40$ .



$$\frac{L_{\square}}{L_{\text{ref}}} = 1.25$$

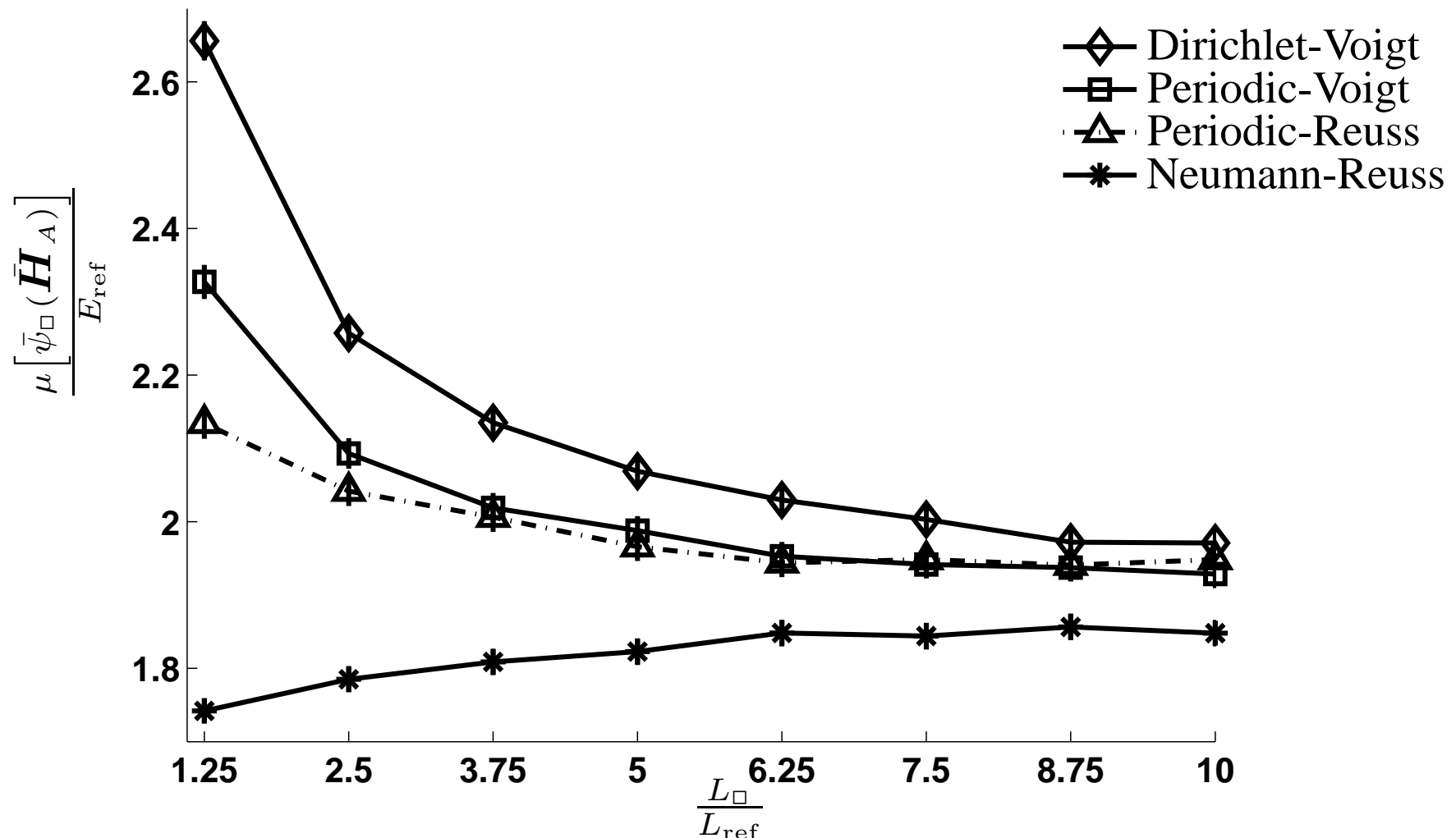
$$\frac{L_{\square}}{L_{\text{ref}}} = 2.50$$

$$\frac{L_{\square}}{L_{\text{ref}}} = 5.00$$



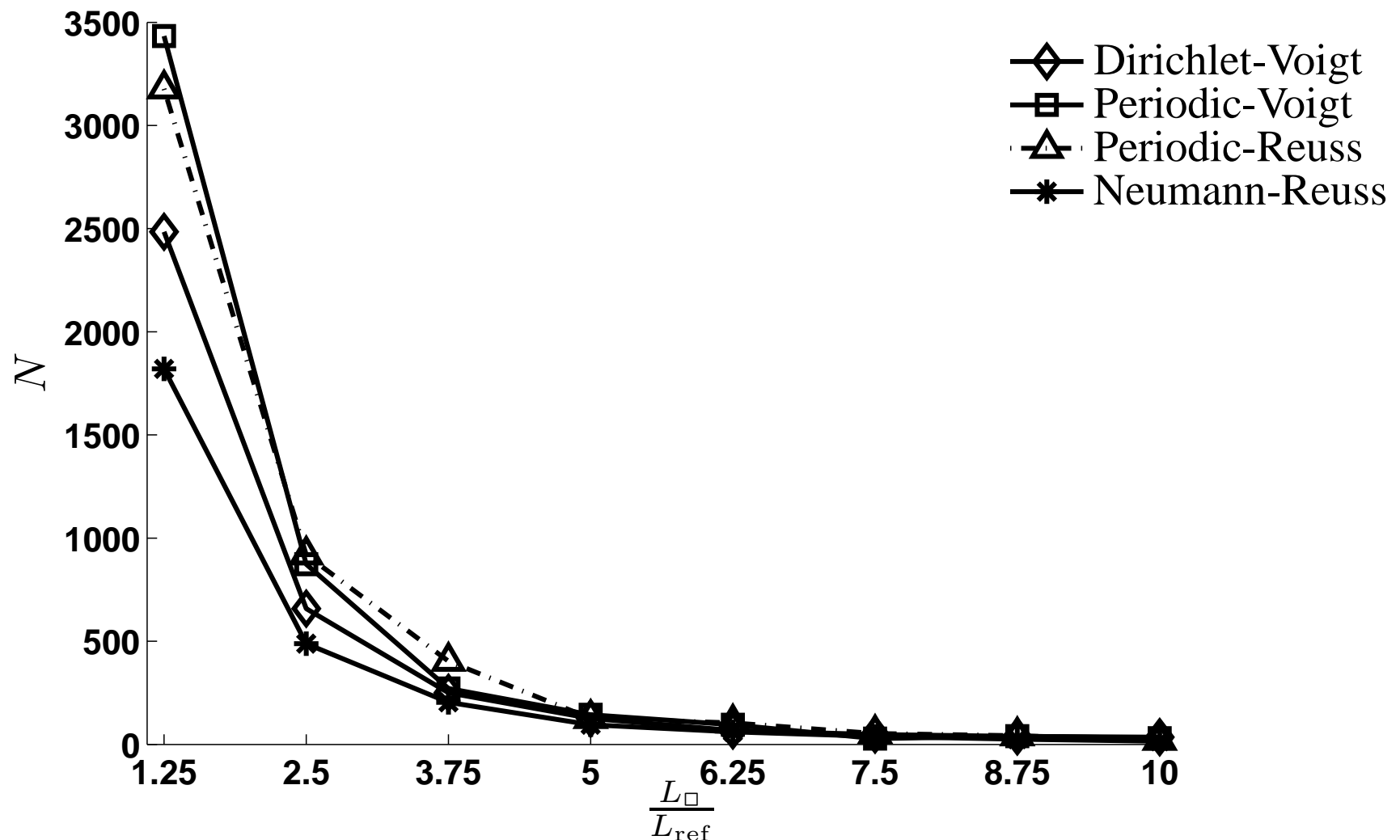
# Computational results of bounds, cont'd

- Convergence of mean value of strain energy  $\bar{\psi}_{\square}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}_A)$  with SVE-size. Uniaxial strain:  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}_A = \mathbf{e}_1 \otimes \mathbf{e}_1$



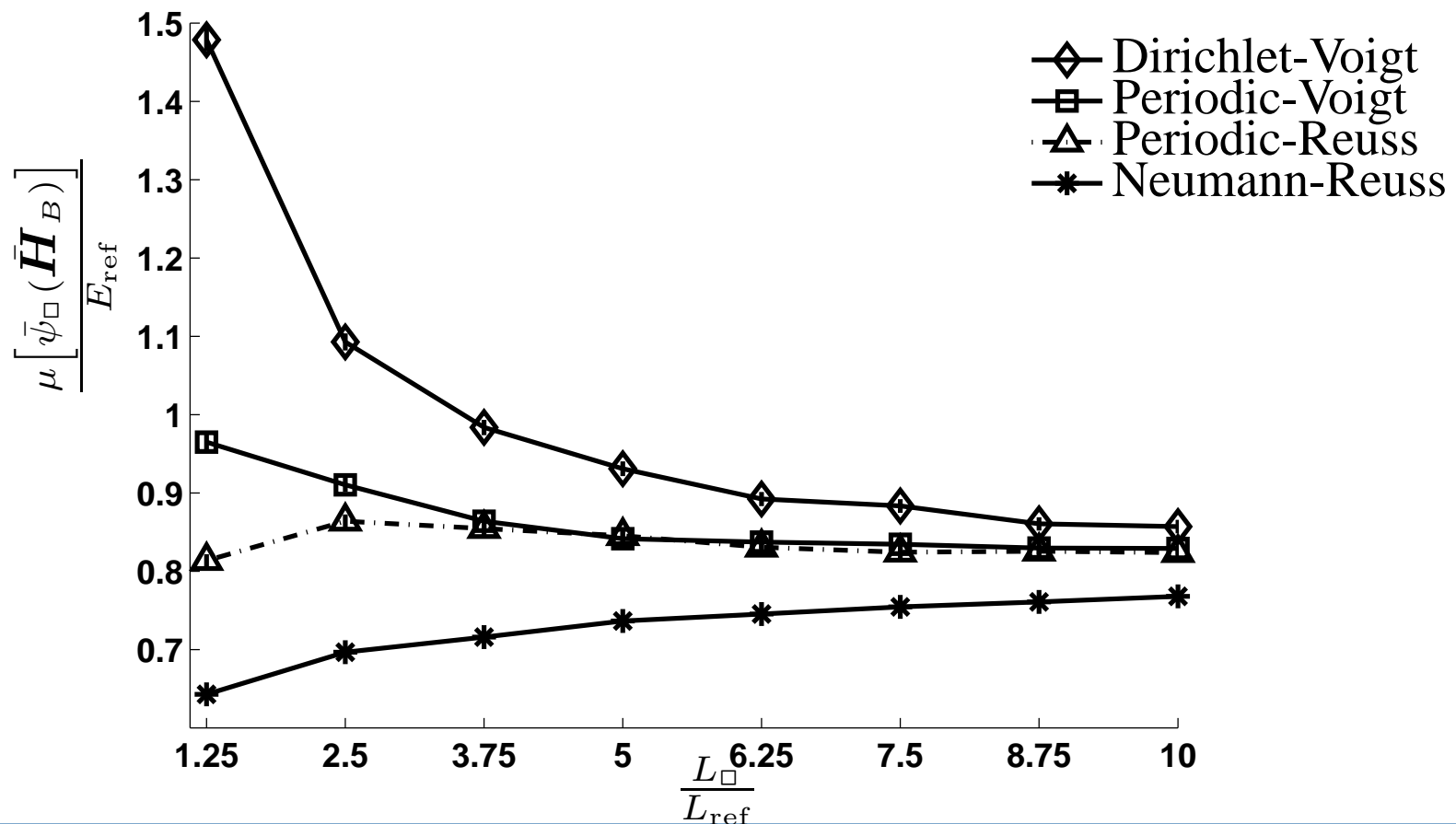
# Computational results of bounds, cont'd

- Development of the number of realizations  $N$ , required to estimate  $\bar{\psi}_{\square}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}_A)$  within a given confidence interval, with SVE-size



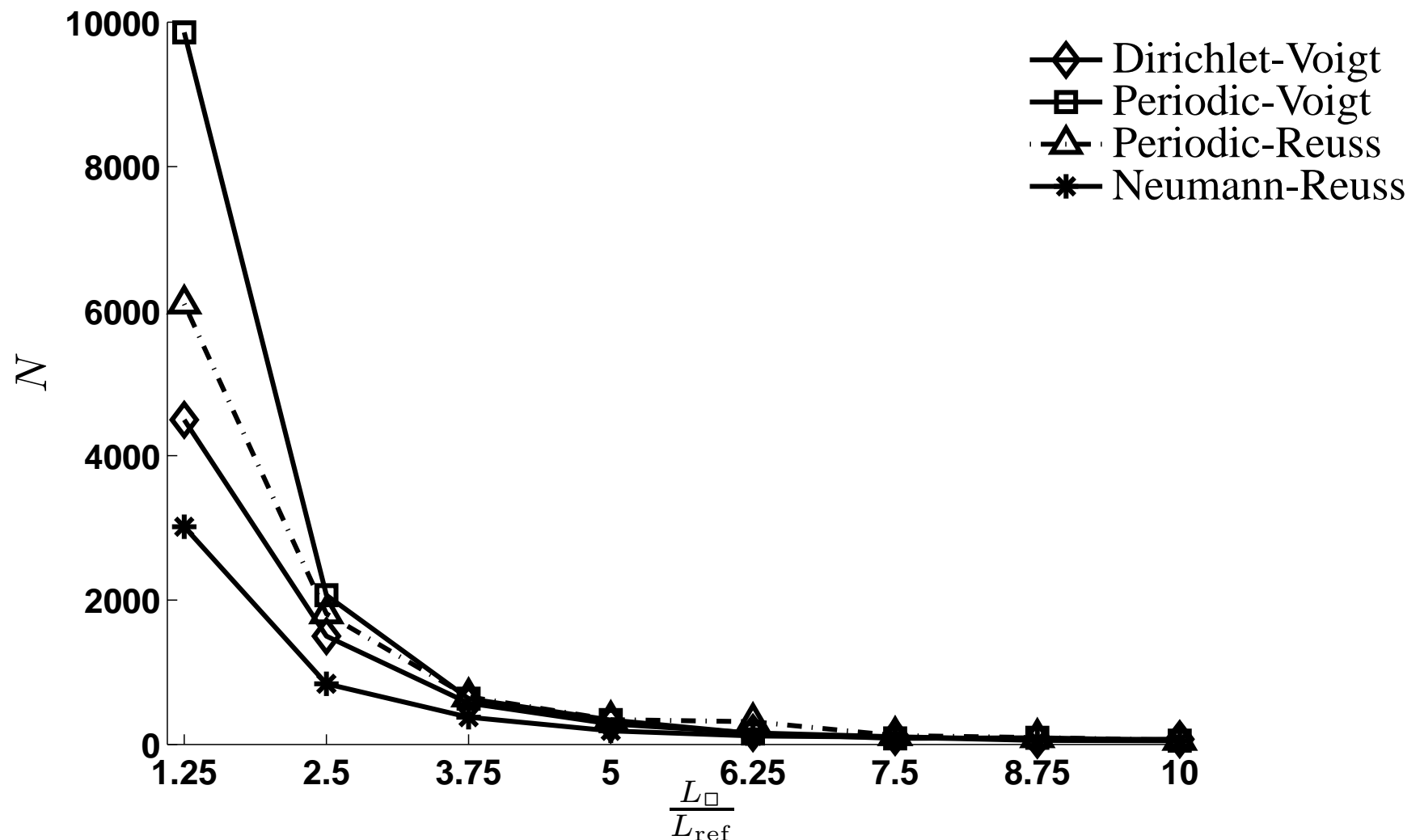
# Computational results of bounds, cont'd

- Convergence of mean value of strain energy  $\bar{\psi}_{\square}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}_B)$  with SVE-size. Pure shear:  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}_B = \frac{1}{2}[\mathbf{e}_1 \otimes \mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_2 \otimes \mathbf{e}_1]$ . Since the results are scaled by the modulus of elasticity for the matrix material,  $E_{\text{ref}}$ , the ratio  $\mu [\bar{\psi}_{\square}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}_B)] / E_{\text{ref}}$  may become smaller than unity



# Computational results of bounds, cont'd

- Development of the number of realizations  $N$ , required to estimate  $\bar{\psi}_{\square}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}_B)$  within a given confidence interval, with SVE-size



# Computational homogenization – Introduction

- Aim: establish most general expression for  $\bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}$  for given prolongation conditions
- Upscaling for linear problems: Need to establish
  - the strain concentration tensor  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X})$ ,  $\mathbf{X} \in \Omega_{\square}$ , in  $H(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X}) : \bar{\mathbf{H}}$  in terms of the macroscale and fluctuation fields,
  - the RVE-problem from which  $\mathbf{A}$  can be computed,
  - $\bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}$  using the fields  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{X})$  and  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X})$ .
  - **Note:** For linear problems  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X})$  is independent of the actual  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}$   
 $\Rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}$  can be established once and for all (for a given realization SVE).

## Effective stiffness for DBC

- SVE-problem (general): Find  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\mathbf{D}}$  which, for given value of  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}$ , solves

$$\langle \mathbf{H} : \mathbf{E} : \delta \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} = 0 \quad \forall \delta \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\mathbf{D},0}$$

- Additive split

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{u}^{\mathbf{M}}(\mathbf{X}) + \mathbf{u}^{\mathbf{s}}(\mathbf{X}), \quad \mathbf{u}^{\mathbf{M}}(\mathbf{X}) = \bar{\mathbf{H}} \cdot [\mathbf{X} - \bar{\mathbf{X}}], \quad \mathbf{X} \in \Omega_{\square}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \langle \mathbf{H}^{\mathbf{s}} : \mathbf{E} : \delta \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} = -\langle \mathbf{H}^{\mathbf{M}} : \mathbf{E} : \delta \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} \quad \forall \delta \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\mathbf{D},0}$$

# Effective stiffness for DBC, cont'd

- Unit displacement fields

$$\mathbf{u}^M(\mathbf{X}) = \bar{\mathbf{H}} \cdot [\mathbf{X} - \bar{\mathbf{X}}] = \sum_{i,j} \hat{\mathbf{u}}^{M(ij)}(\mathbf{X}) \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{ij} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}^{M(ij)} = \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j \cdot [\mathbf{X} - \bar{\mathbf{X}}]$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \quad \mathbf{H}^M = \mathbf{u}^M \otimes \nabla = \bar{\mathbf{H}} = \sum_{i,j} \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{M(ij)} \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{ij} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{M(ij)} = \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j$$

- Ansatz for fluctuation  $\mathbf{u}^s(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i,j} \hat{\mathbf{u}}^{s(ij)}(\mathbf{X}) \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{ij}$

$$\rightsquigarrow \quad \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{X}) = \bar{\mathbf{H}} + \mathbf{H}^s(\mathbf{X}) = \left[ \mathbf{I} + \sum_{i,j} \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{s(ij)}(\mathbf{X}) \otimes \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{M(ij)} \right] : \bar{\mathbf{H}} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X}) : \bar{\mathbf{H}}$$

SVE-problem must hold for any choice of  $\bar{\mathbf{H}} \rightsquigarrow$  Problem for unit fields: Find  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}^{s(ij)} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\mathbf{D},0}$  for  $i, j = 1, 2, NDIM$  s. t.

$$\langle \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{s(ij)} : \mathbf{E} : \delta \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} = - \langle \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{M(ij)} : \mathbf{E} : \delta \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} = - \langle \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j : \mathbf{E} : \delta \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} \quad \forall \delta \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{U}_{\square}^{\mathbf{D},0}$$

## Effective stiffness for DBC, cont'd

- Effective stiffness tensor

$$\bar{\mathbf{P}} = \langle \mathbf{P} \rangle_{\square} = \langle \mathbf{E} : \mathbf{H} \rangle_{\square} = \underbrace{\langle \mathbf{E} : \mathbf{A} \rangle_{\square}}_{=\bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}} : \bar{\mathbf{H}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square} &= \langle \mathbf{E} : \mathbf{A} \rangle_{\square} \\ &= \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}^{\text{V}} + \sum_{i,j} \langle \mathbf{E} : \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{\text{s}(ij)} \rangle_{\square} \otimes \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j = \sum_{i,j} \langle \mathbf{E} : \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(ij)} \rangle_{\square} \otimes \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j \end{aligned}$$

- **Remarks:**

- Major symmetry of  $\bar{\mathbf{E}}_{\square}$  ensured by HM-condition
- Taylor assumption:  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{\text{s}(ij)} = \mathbf{0}$  (fluctuation omitted)  $\rightarrow$  No SVE-problem to be solved
- Isotropic microconstituents does not ascertain isotropic macroscopic response for single (or even averaged) realizations