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Bridging the gap between particulate systems and continuum theory

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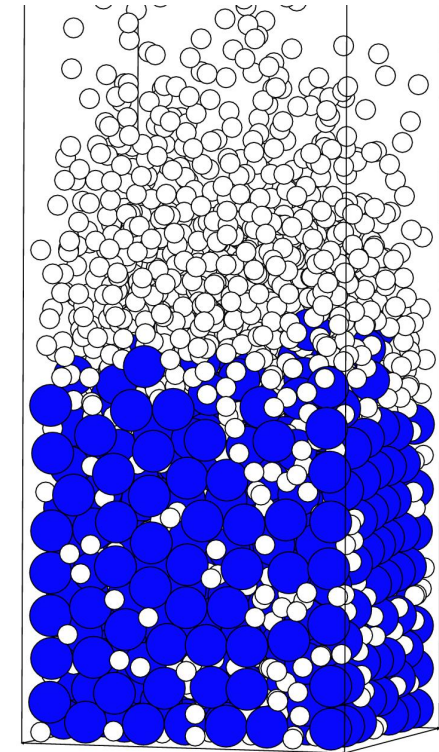
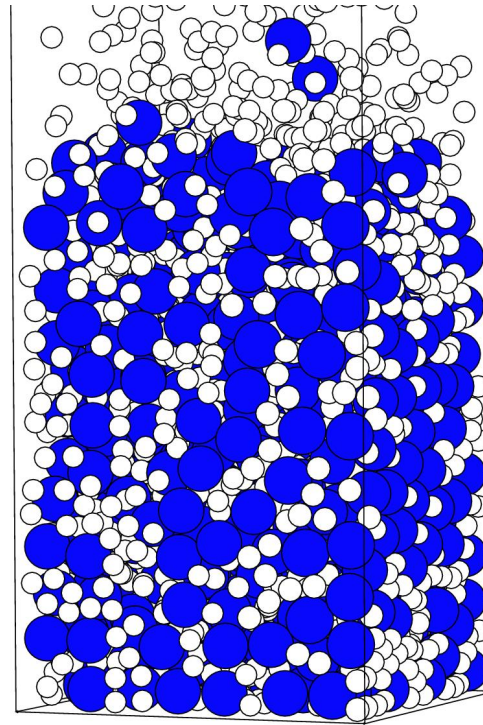
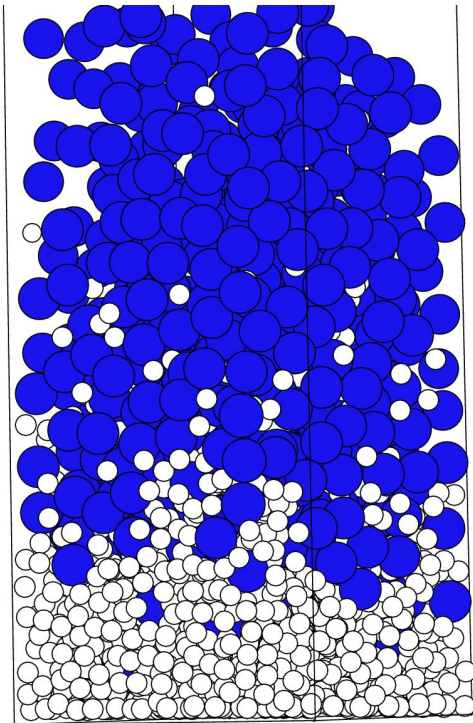
soil, sand,
powders,
concrete,
ceramics,
cells, blood,
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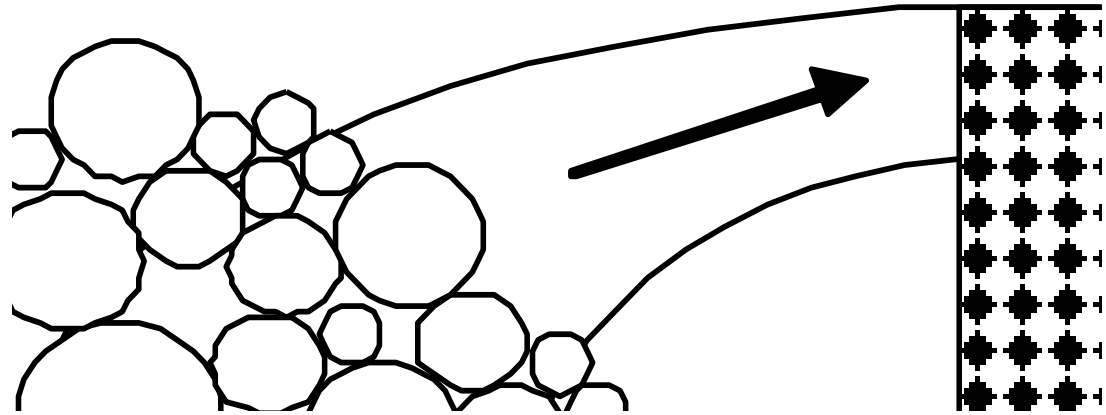


particulate systems

Example:

Segregation/Mixing





Bridging the **gap** between
particulate systems

from microscopic understanding
and continuum theory
towards macroscopic applications

Why?

- Particle Methods (Micro-Details)
- Method: Micro-Macro Transition
- Continuum Theory (Applications)

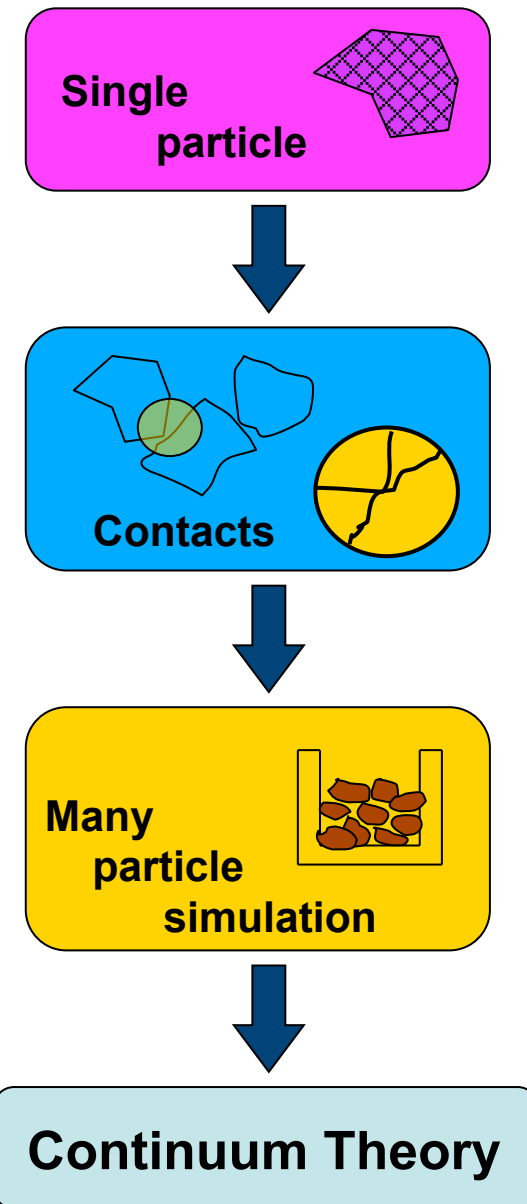
Silo-collapse



Continuum Theory

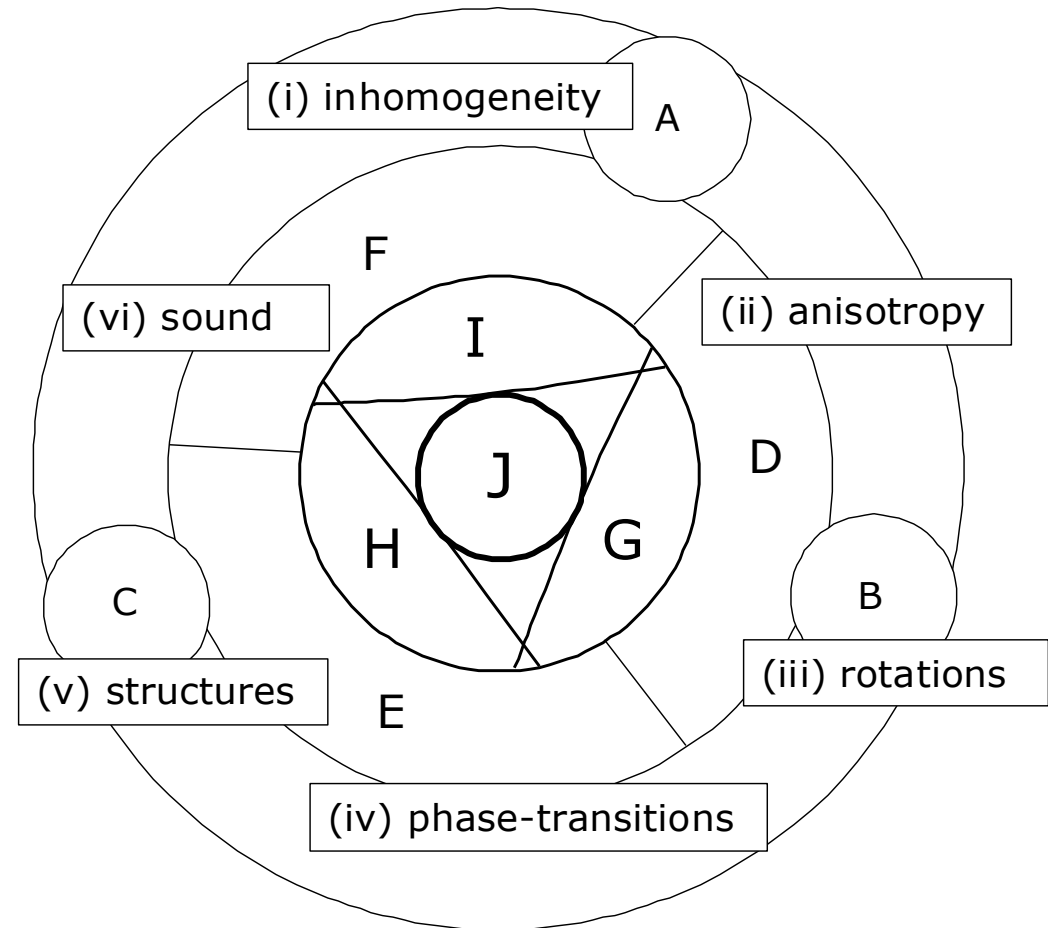
Approach

- Particle Methods
- Micro-Macro Transition
- Towards Continuum Theory
- Applications



Topics ...

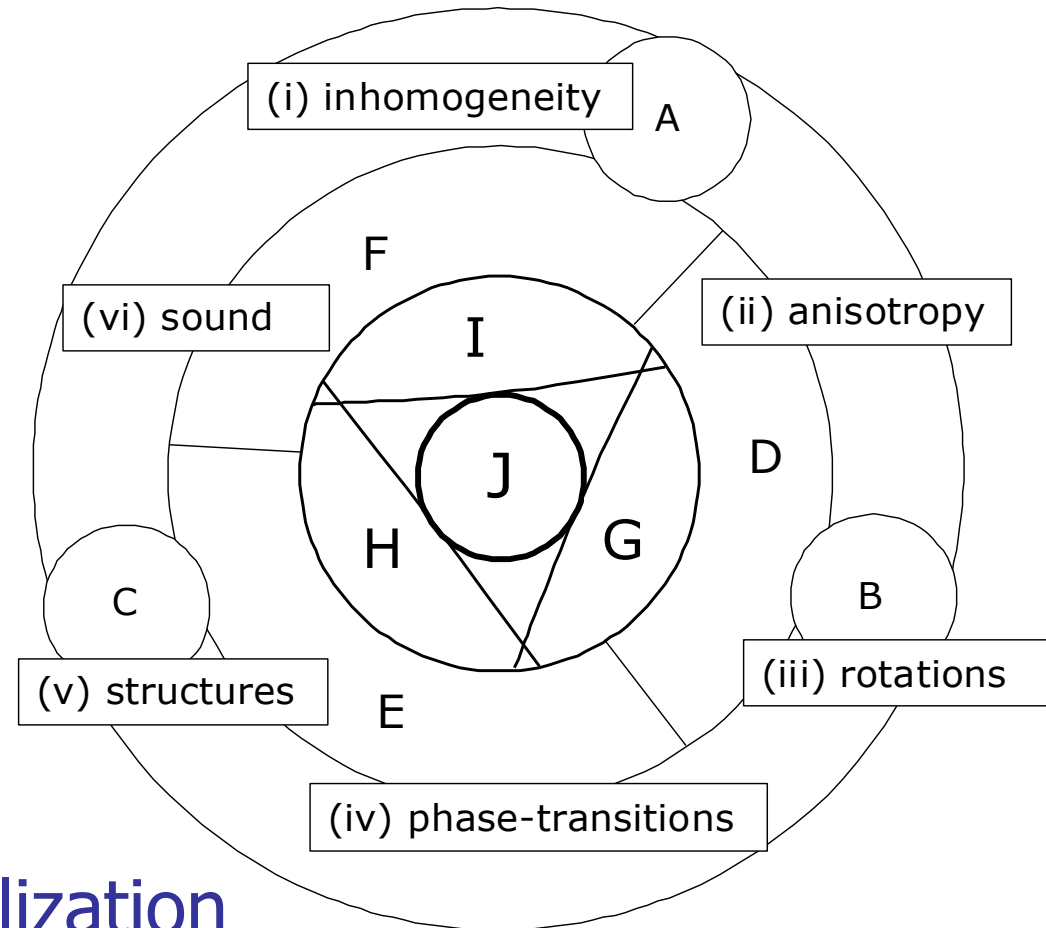
- inhomogeneity
- anisotropy
- rotations
- phase-transitions
- structures
- sound
- ...



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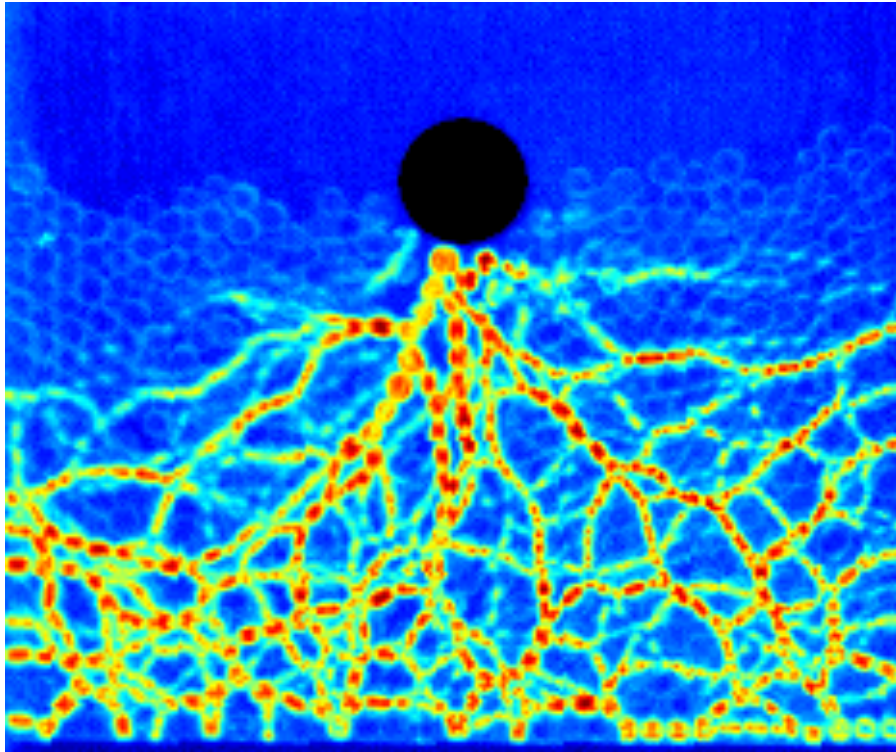
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Example:
Instability &
Shear band Localization



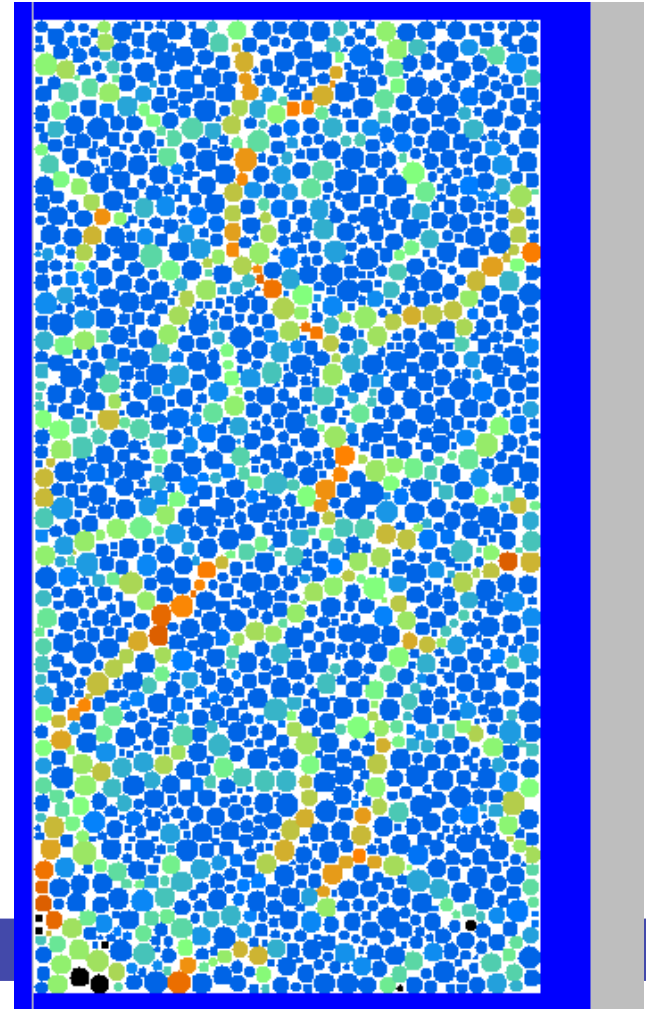
Force-chains

experiments - simulations



2D Exper. Behringer, Duke, USA

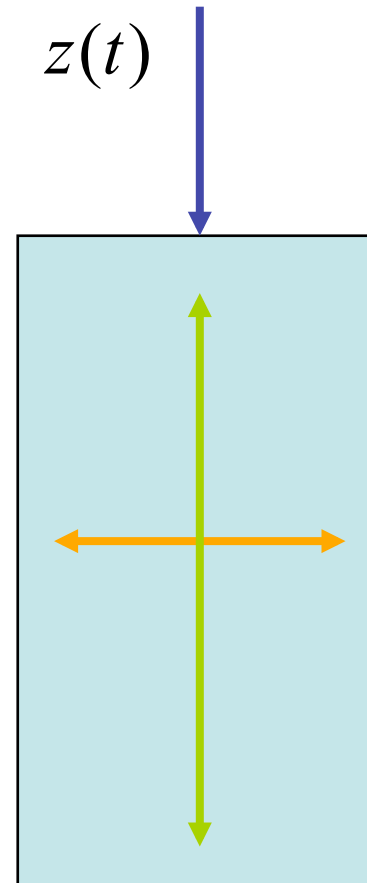
... 3D Exp. Sperl, DLR, Germany



Biaxial box set-up

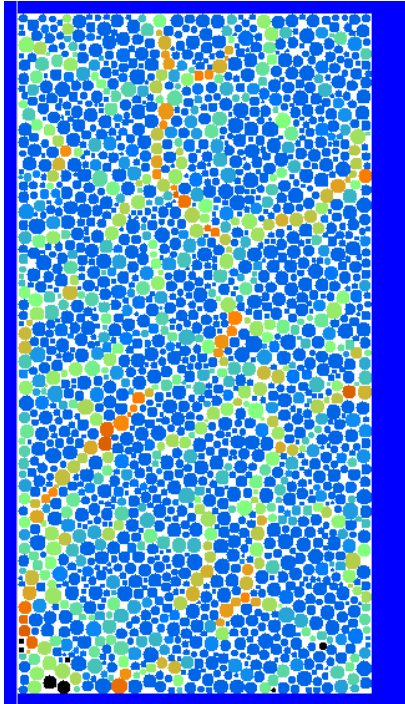
- Top wall: strain controlled
- Right wall: stress controlled

$$\sigma_{xx} = \text{const.} \longrightarrow$$

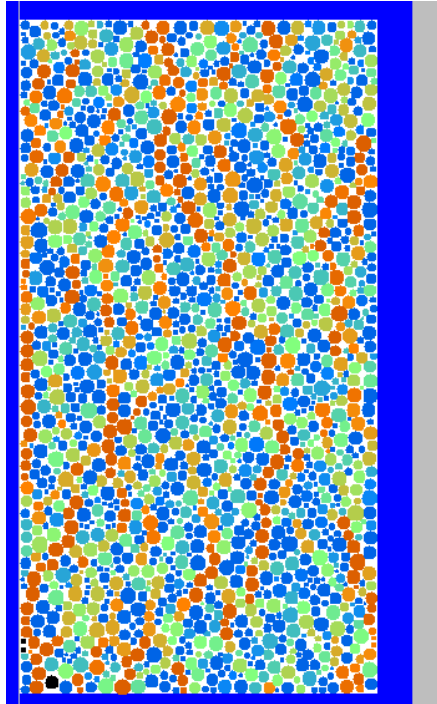


Simulation results (closer look)

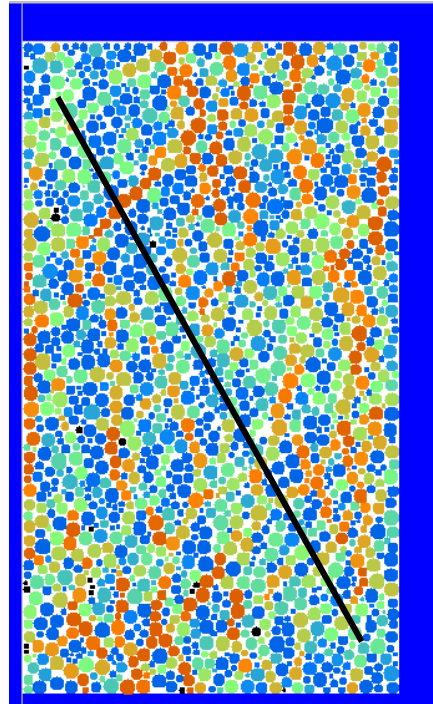
$\varepsilon_{zz}=0.0\%$



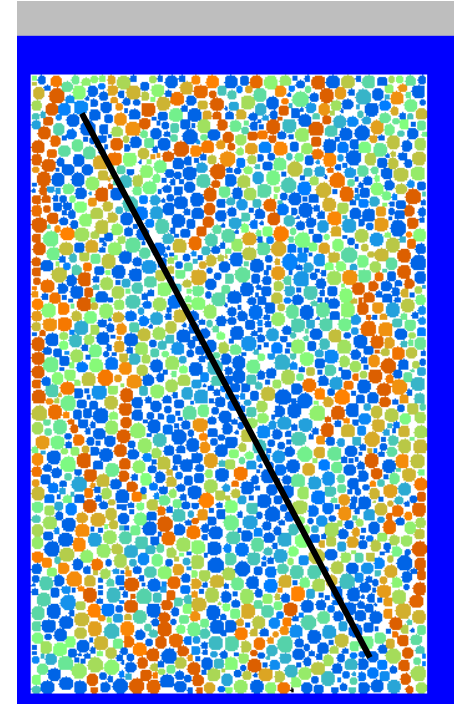
$\varepsilon_{zz}=1.1\%$



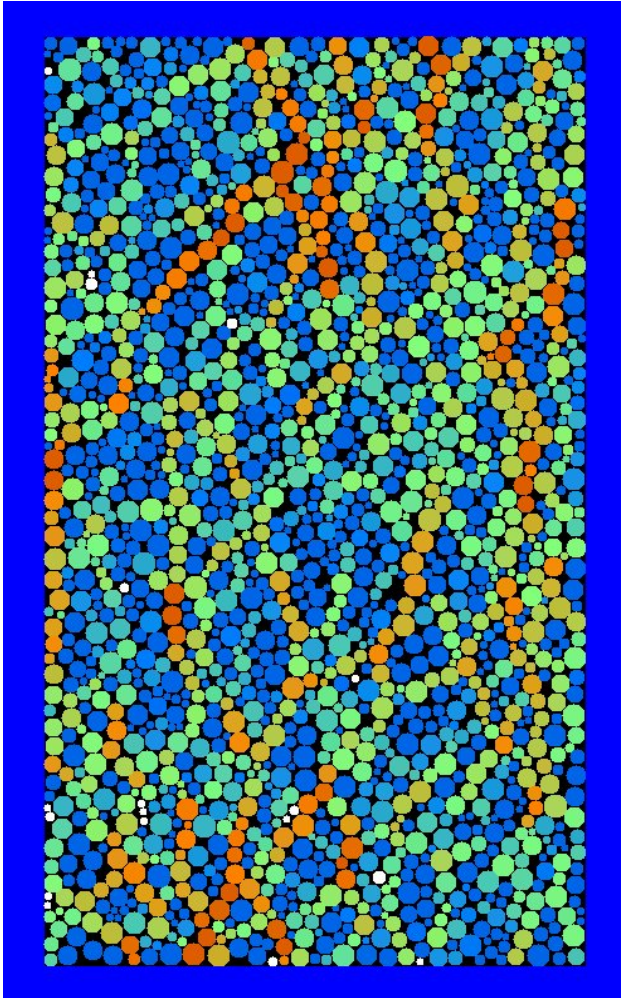
$\varepsilon_{zz}=4.2\%$



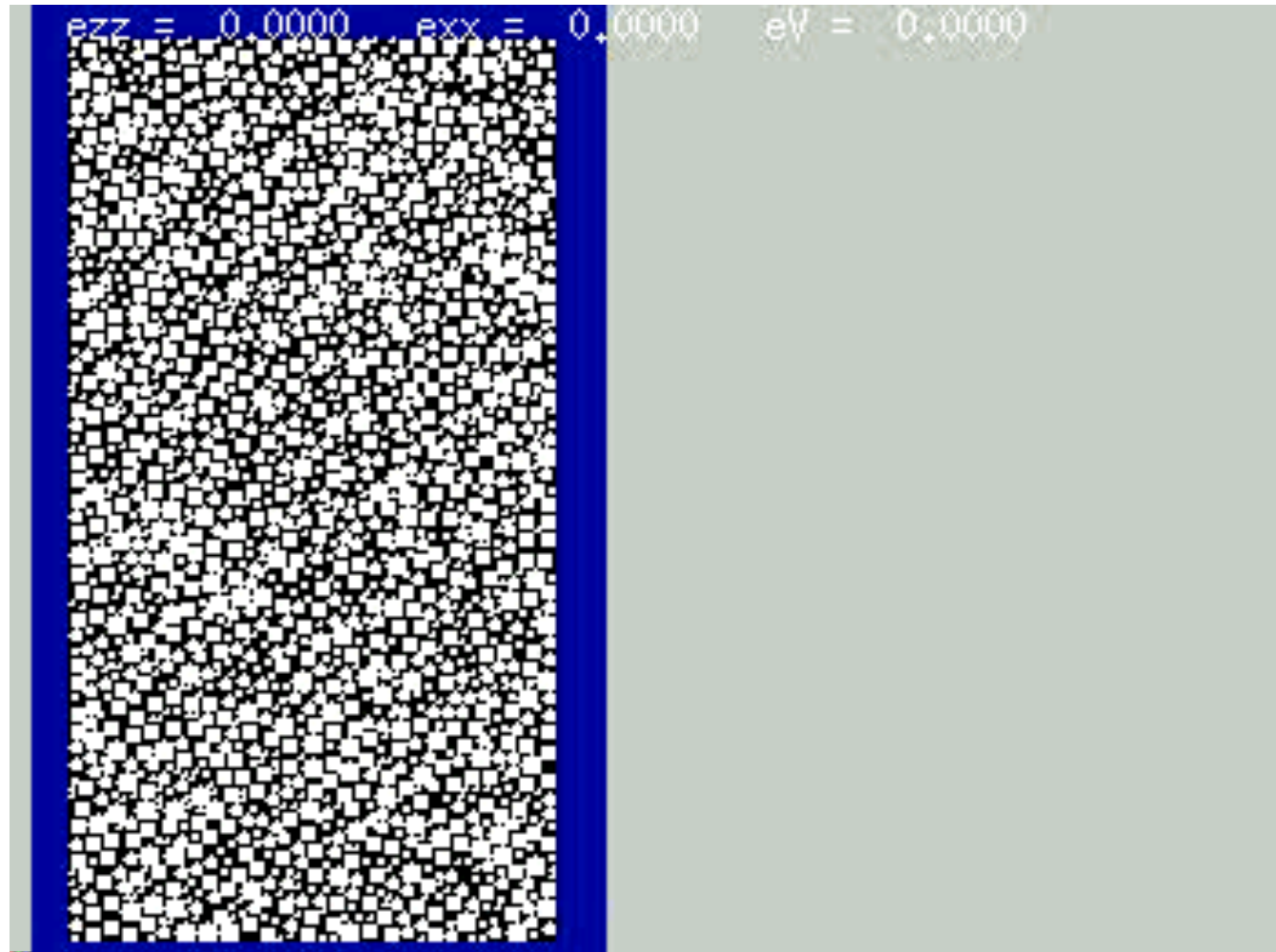
$\varepsilon_{zz}=9.1\%$



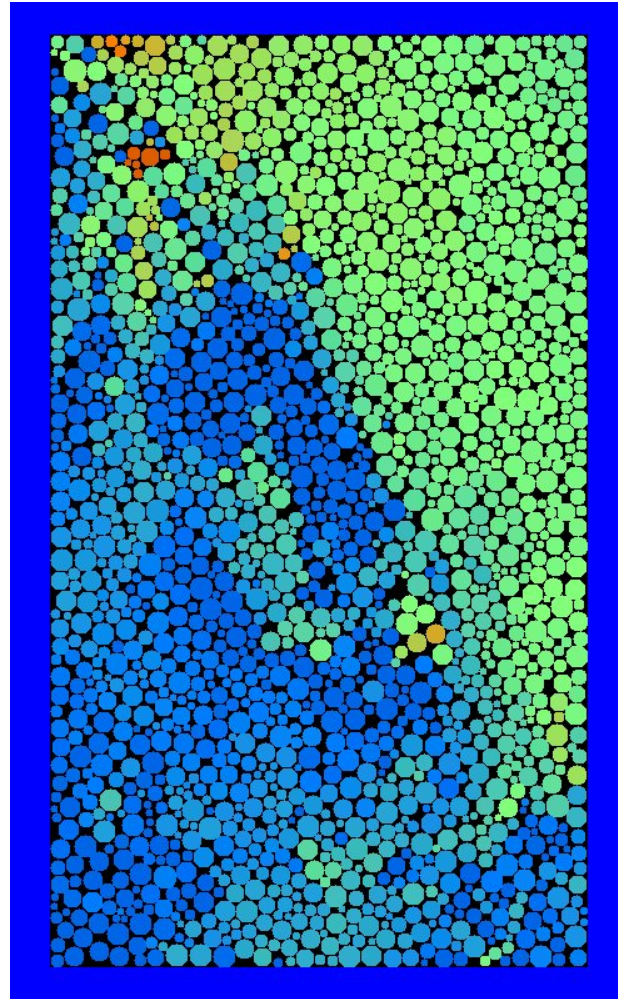
Bi-axial box (stress chains)



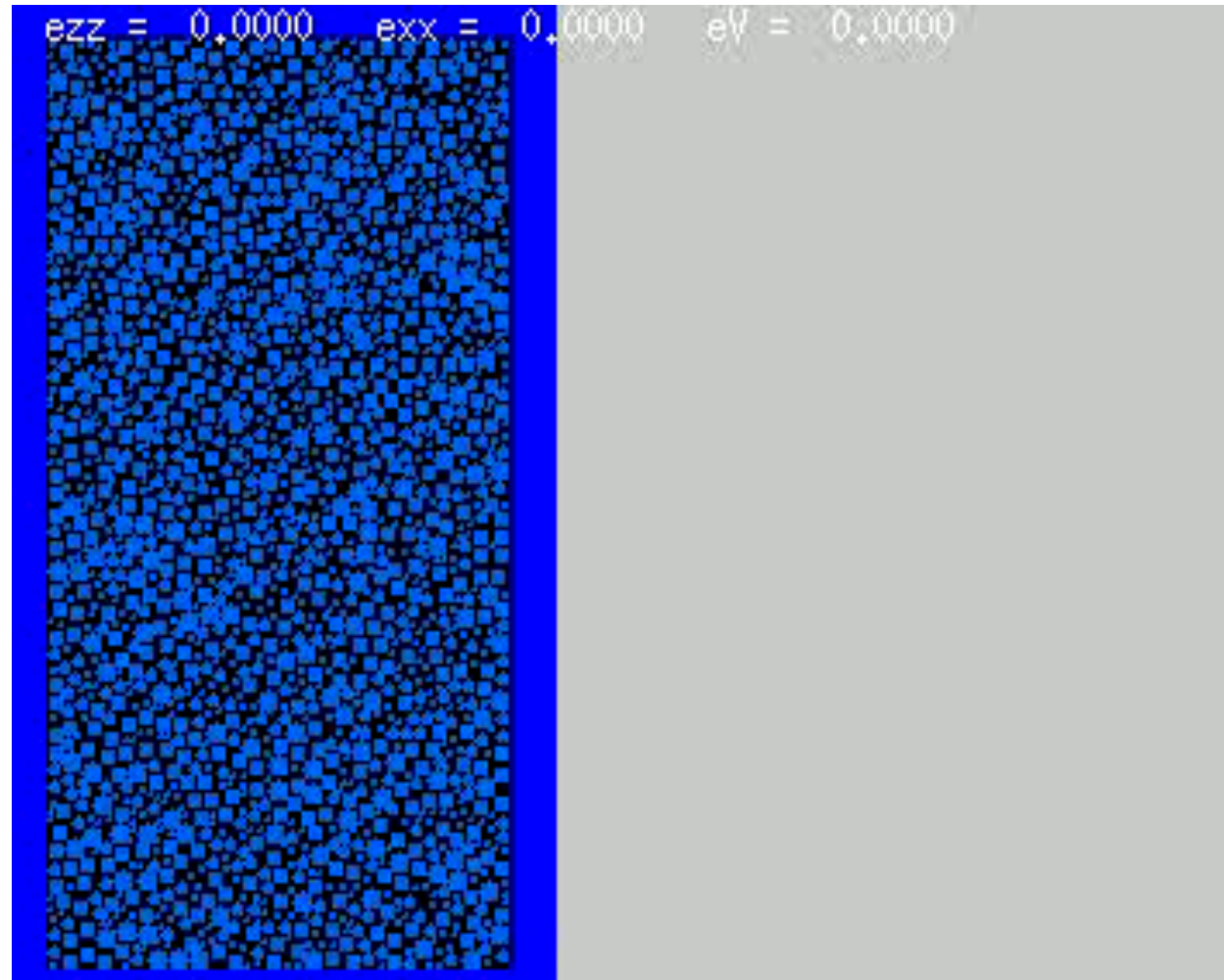
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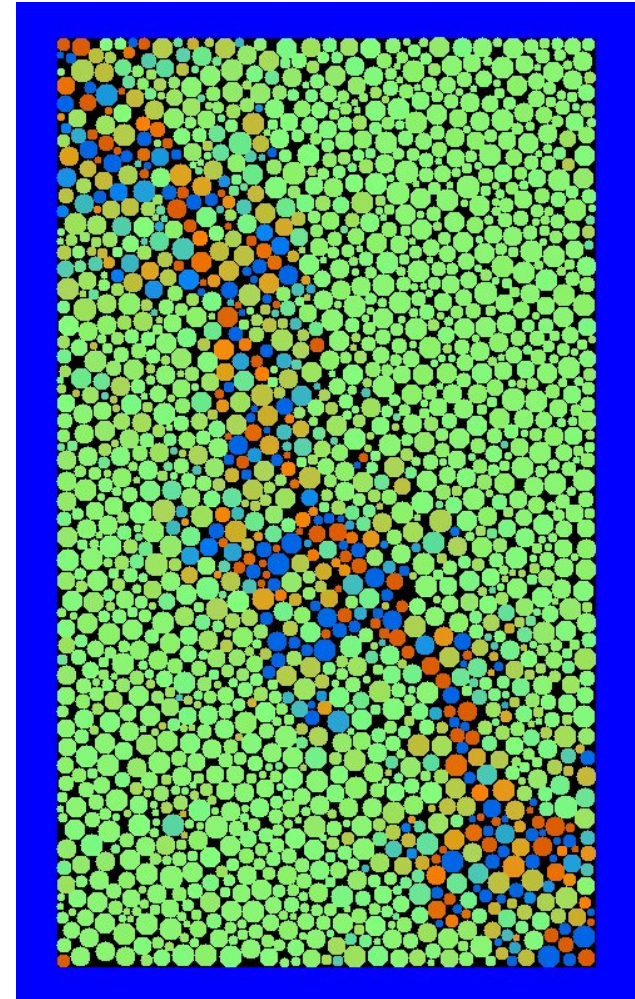
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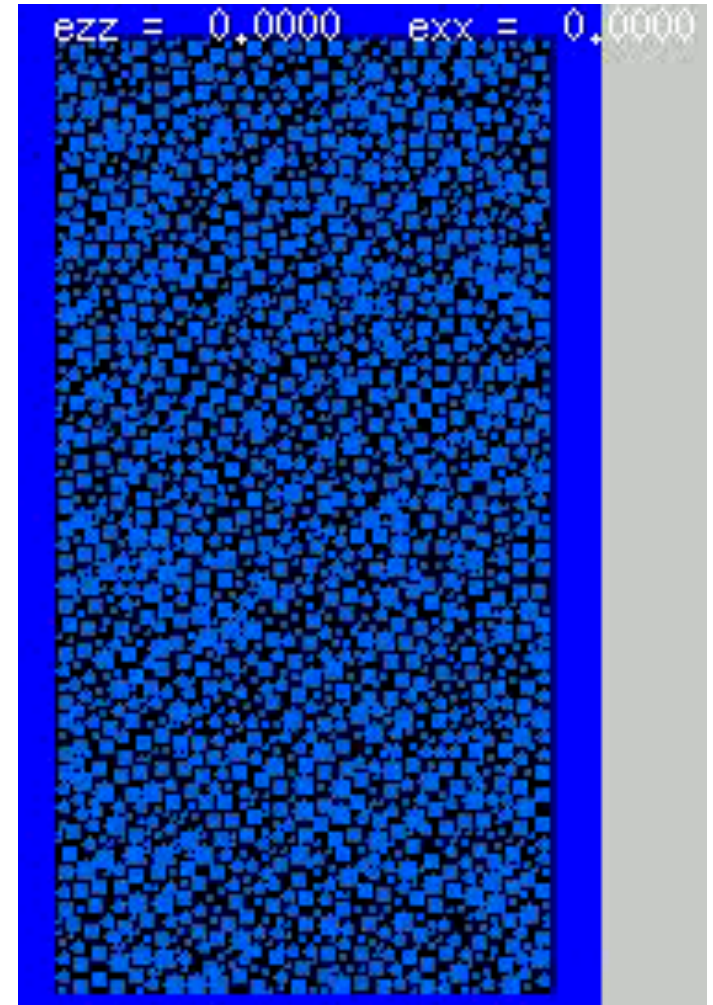
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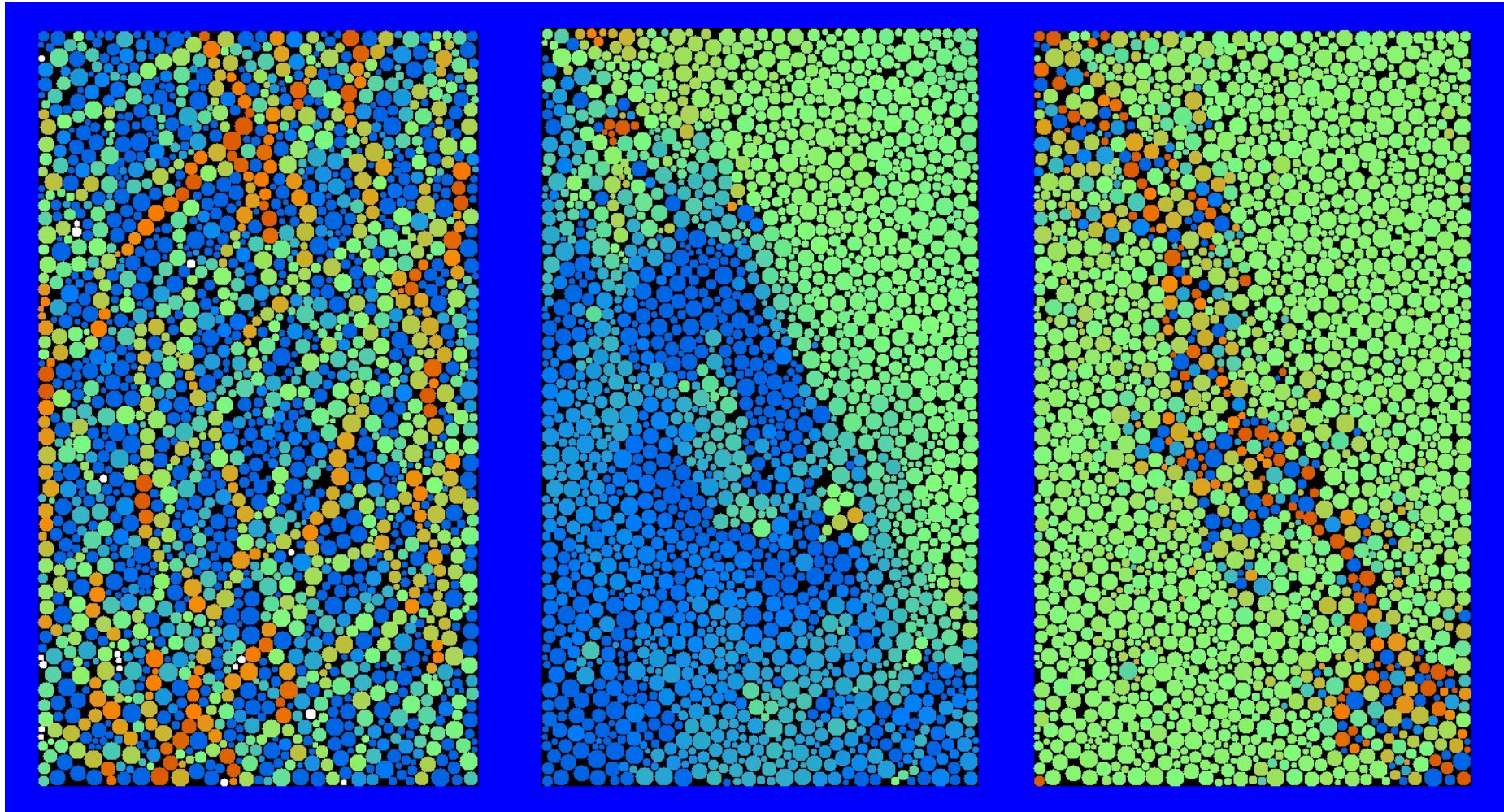
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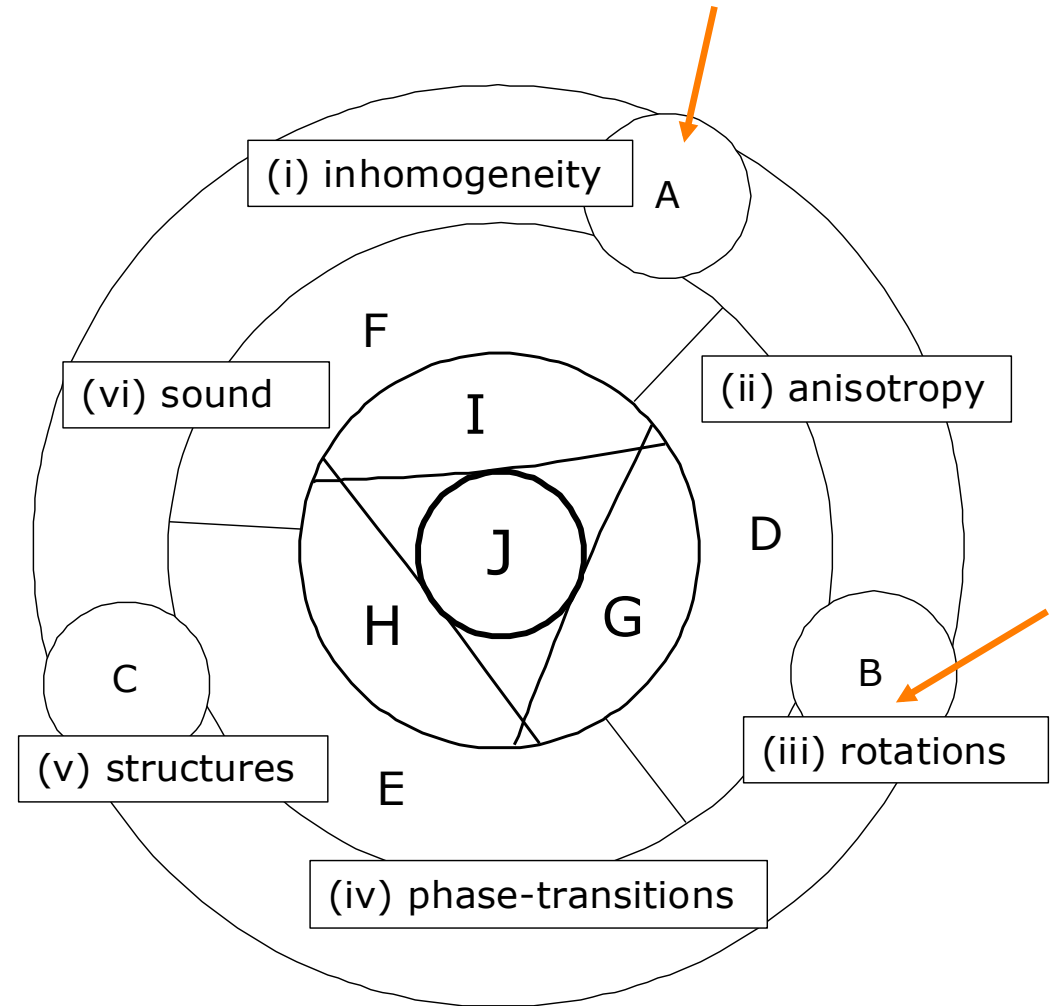
Multiple micro-mechanisms



inhomogeneity & anisotropy, instabilities & structures, rotations

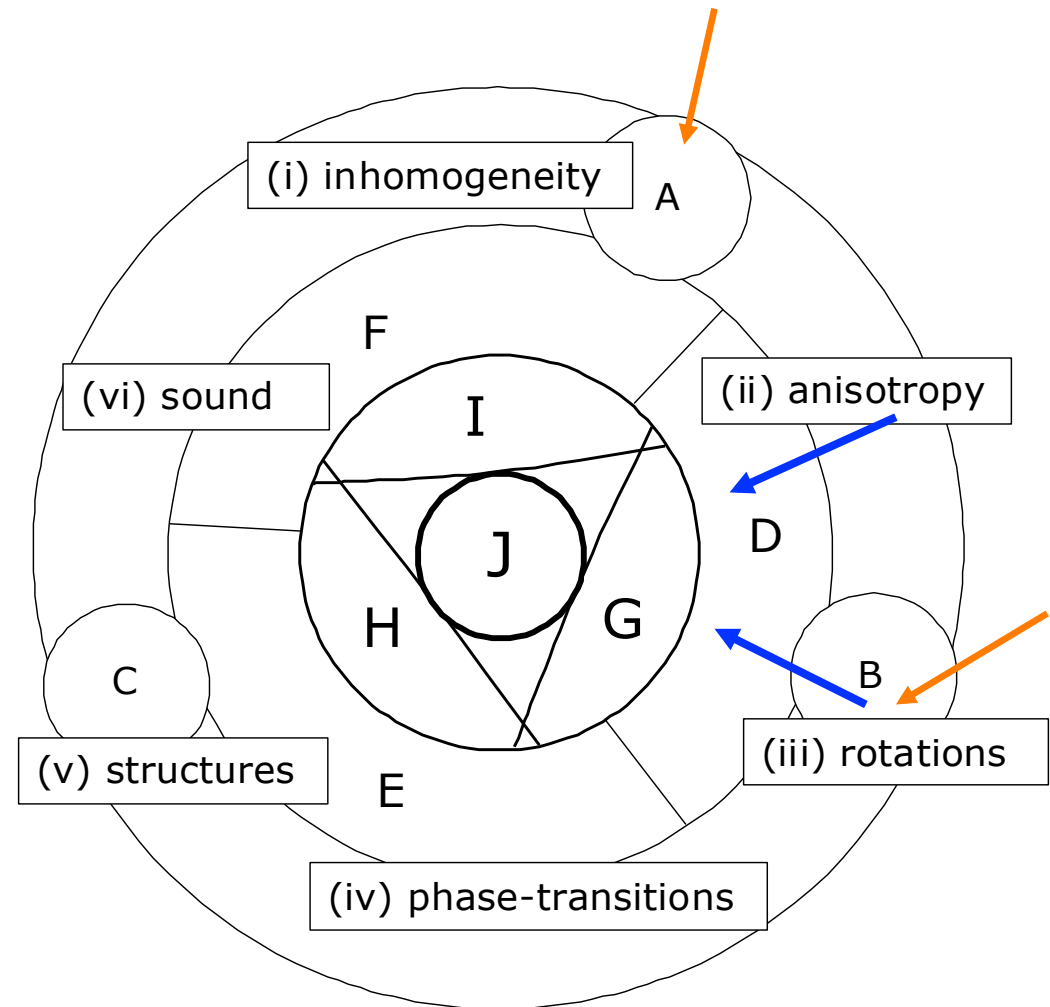
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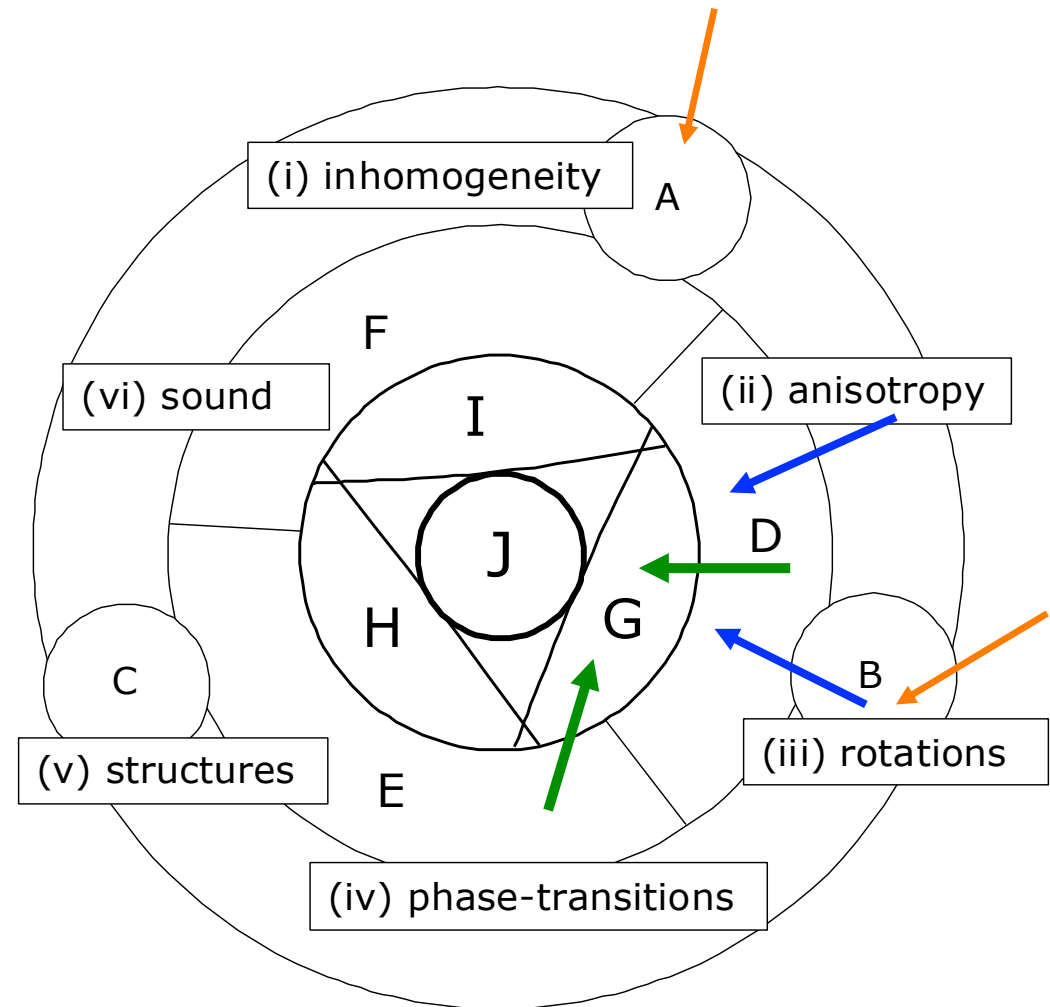
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How?

- Particle methods numerics and validation
 - Micro-macro methods, combining
statistical physics and eng. mechanics
 - Fluid and Solid Mechanics
 - Continuum Theory for Applications
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Collaborations?

- Particle methods (MSM) validation (PARDEM)
 - Micro-macro methods (FOM, STW)
 - Fluid (JMBC) and Solid Mechanics (EM)
 - ... Continuum Theory (UT-CTW, ...)
 - Statistical & Exp. Physics (DLR, Duisburg, ETHZ)
 - Mechanical and Chemical Engineering (e.g. BASF)
 - Food (Nestle) & Pharma Industry (BI-Mainz)
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Applications:

- sound-propagation in soils, disordered modern/
bio-materials for **non-invasive tests**
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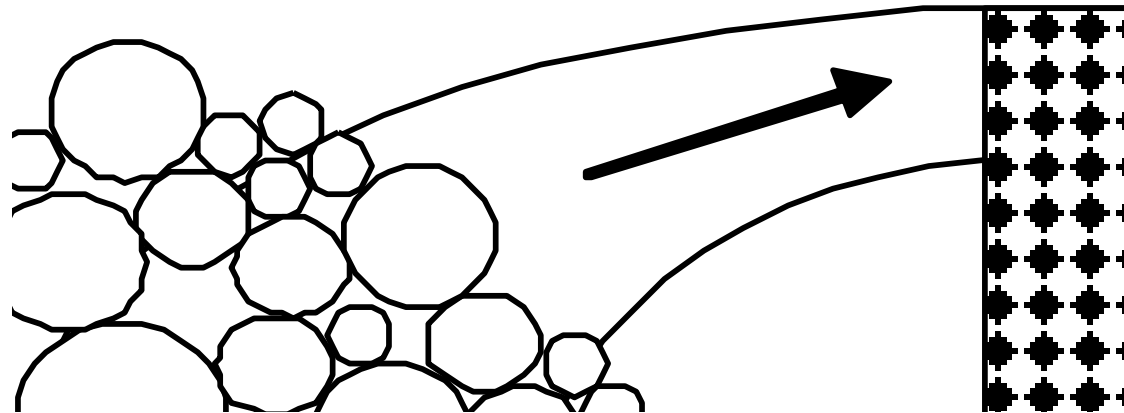


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Impact: Avoid energy-loss, improve safety, improve durability, reduce costs





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