

# Multi-scale computational homogenization of foams with micro-buckling

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# Introduction

- Modeling of foams

- Buckling can occur at the thin components (cell walls, cell struts), leading to

- Macroscopic strain localization
- Loss of the representativeness of volume elements

- Size effects

- Pore size

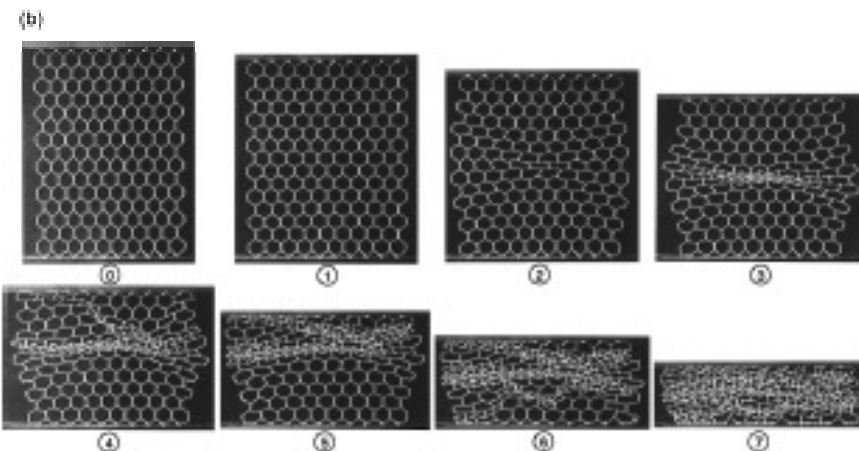
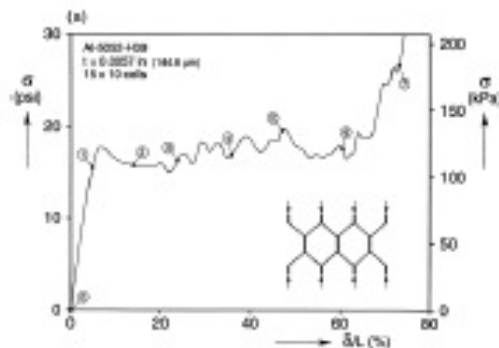
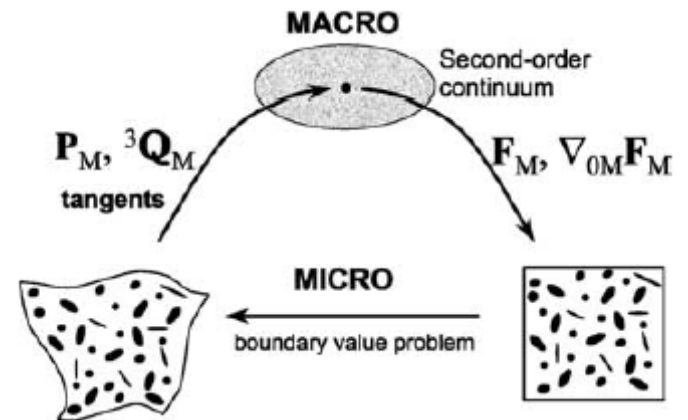


Figure: Force-displacement crushing response of polycarbonate honeycomb - S. D. Papka and S. Kyriakides (1999)

# Introduction

- Multi-scale computational approaches:
  - Classical multiscale computational homogenization
    - Local action → not suitable for high gradient problems and for localization analyses
    - Does not take into account the absolute size of representative volume element → not suitable for analysis of size effects
  - Second-order multiscale computational homogenization
    - Macroscopic second order continua
    - Microscopic classical continua
      - Periodic boundary condition
    - Suitable for analyses of
      - Moderate localization
      - Size effects
      - High gradient problems

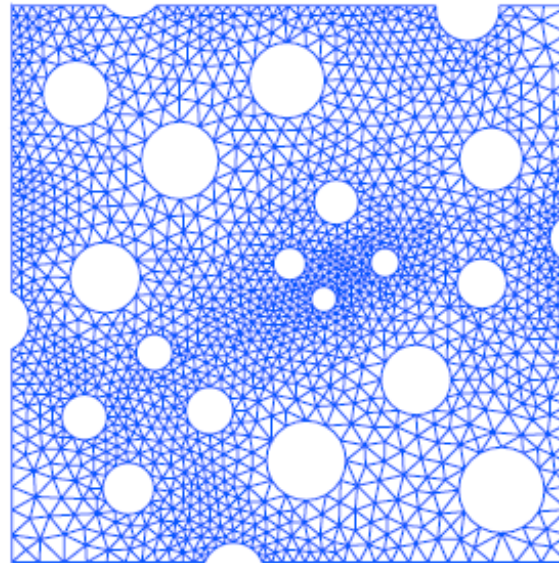


Kouznetsova et al 2004

# Introduction

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- Modeling of foams by multi-scale computational approach
  - Using second-order multiscale computational homogenization
    - method to solve the second-order continua
  - Using periodic boundary condition
    - Random representative volume element → non-conformal meshes
    - method to enforce periodic boundary condition
  - Local buckling
    - Path-following



Random distributed  
hole structure

# Introduction

- Second-order continua

- Formulation in terms of the first Piola stress tensor  $\mathbf{P}$  and second-order stress tensor  $\mathbf{Q}$

$$\mathbf{B} + (\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q} \cdot \nabla_0) \cdot \nabla_0 = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall X \in B_0$$

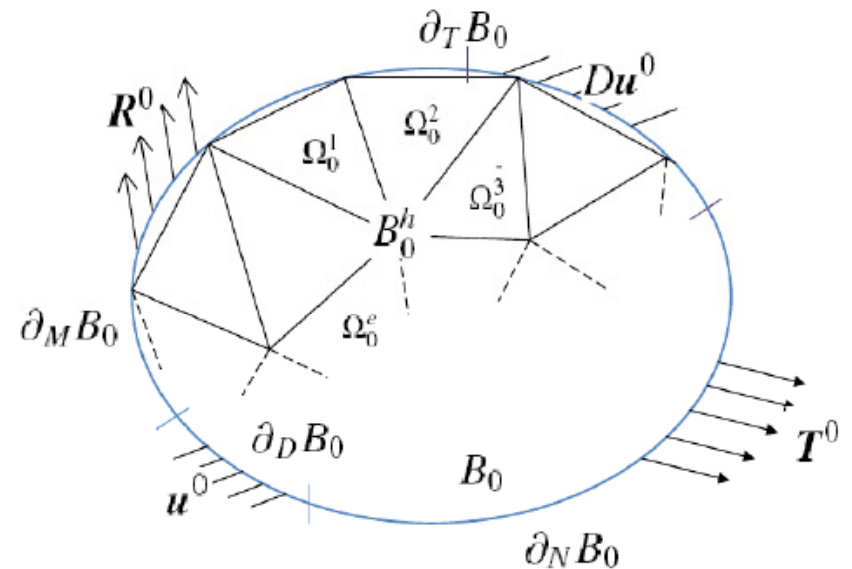
- Boundary condition

$$u = u^0 \quad \forall X \in \partial_D B_0$$

$$Du = Du^0 \quad \forall X \in \partial_T B_0$$

$$(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q} \cdot \nabla_0) \cdot \mathbf{N} + (\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{N}) \cdot \left( \mathbf{N} \overset{s}{\nabla}_0 \cdot \mathbf{N} - \overset{s}{\nabla}_0 \right) = \mathbf{T}^0 \quad \forall X \in \partial_N B_0$$

$$\mathbf{Q} : (\mathbf{N} \otimes \mathbf{N}) = \mathbf{R}^0 \quad \forall X \in \partial_M B_0$$



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- Second-order continua
  - Requires the continuity of displacement field and of its gradients. Some methods can be considered
    - Mixed (multi-field) method (Shu et al 1999, Amanatidou et al 2002)
    - Messless method (Askes et al 2002)
    - C1 finite elements (Papanicolopoulos et al 2009, 2012)
    - Discontinuous Galerkin (DG) method (Engel et al 2002, Bala Chandran et al 2008)
- In this work, DG method is extended to large deformation and multiscale analyses to solve second-order continua
  - Using only the displacement field as unknowns
  - Enforcing weakly inter-element continuities



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- Microscopic periodic boundary condition

- Fluctuation field  $\omega = u - (\bar{F} - I) \cdot X - \frac{1}{2} \bar{G} : (X \otimes X)$

- Periodic condition of fluctuation field : (Kouznetsova et al 2004, Kaczmarczyk et al 2008)

$$\omega(X^+) = \omega(X^-) \quad \forall X^+ \in \partial V_0^+ \text{ and matching } X^- \in \partial V_0^-$$

$$\int_{S \in \partial V_0^-} \omega d\partial V = \mathbf{0}$$

- Finite element enforcement

- Conformal meshes: enforcement on the matching nodes

- For foams: non-conformal meshes:

- Local implementation (Tyrus et al 2007)

- Master/slave approach (Yuan et al 2008)

- Weak periodicity (Larson et al 2011)

- New method: polynomial interpolation (Nguyen et al 2012)



# Topics

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- Periodic boundary condition with foams
  - Polynomial interpolation method
- Strain-gradient continua
  - DG formulation for second-order continua
- Second-order multiscale computational homogenization with DG formulation
- Local buckling
- Conclusions and perspectives

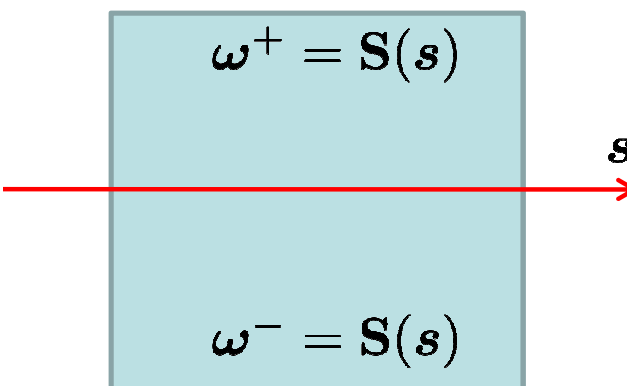




# Periodic boundary condition

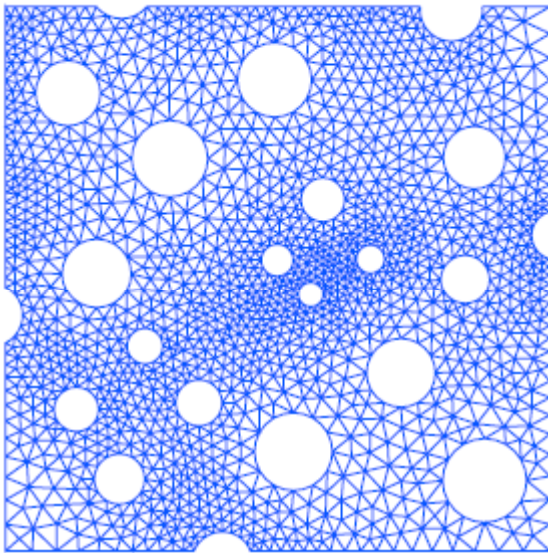
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- Enforcement of periodic boundary condition in foams
  - Meshes created from foams are generally non-conformal
  - Enforcement by polynomial interpolation (Nguyen et al 2012)
    - Fluctuation field of two opposite RVE sides is interpolated by linear combinations of some shape functions
    - Degrees of freedom of two opposite RVE sides are then substituted by the coefficients of these shape functions

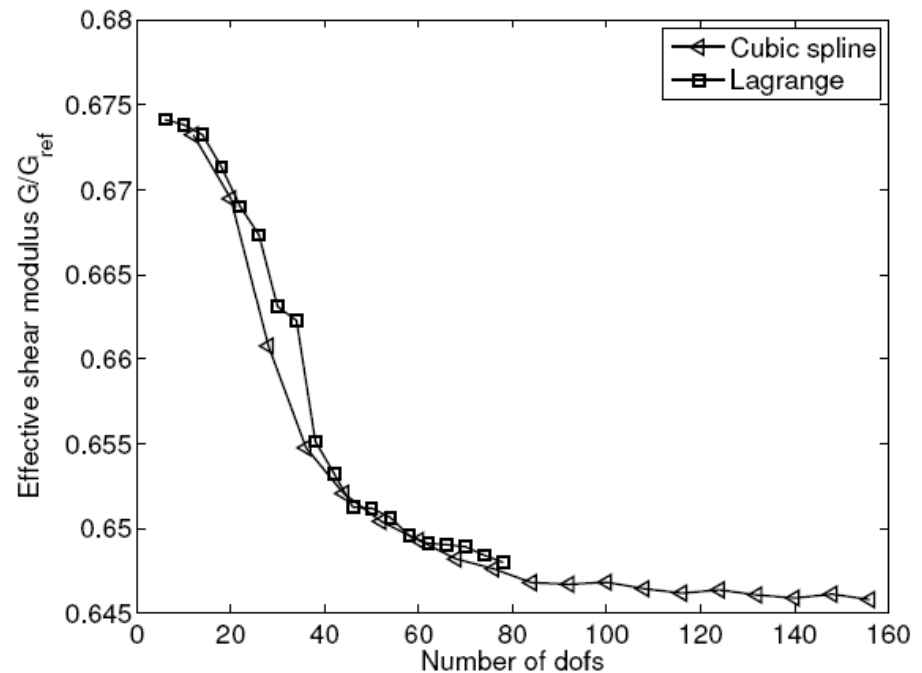
$$\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{s}) = \sum_{i=0}^N \mathcal{N}_i(\mathbf{s}) \mathbf{a}_i$$


# Periodic boundary condition

- Enforcement of periodic boundary condition in foams
  - Numerical example



Non-periodic mesh  
from random materials



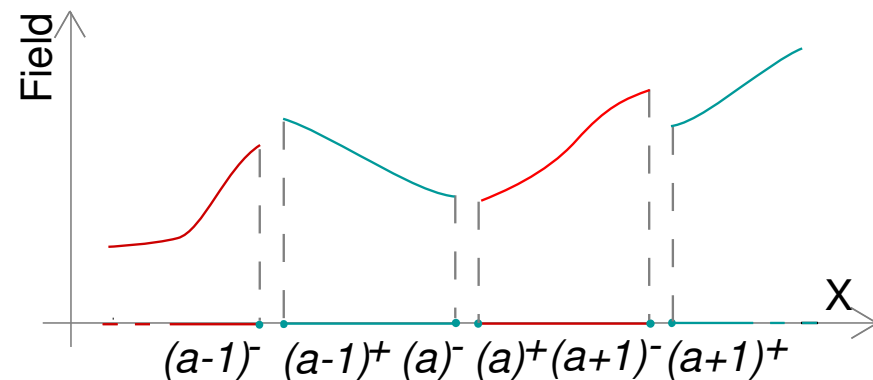
Convergence of effective property in  
terms of new DOFs added to the  
system

# Discontinuous Galerkin formulation

- Main idea

- Finite-element discretization
- Same **discontinuous** polynomial approximations for the

- **Test** functions  $\varphi_h$  and
- **Trial** functions  $\delta\varphi$



- Definition of operators on the interface trace:

- **Jump** operator:  $[[\bullet]] = \bullet^+ - \bullet^-$

- **Mean** operator:  $\langle \bullet \rangle = \frac{\bullet^+ + \bullet^-}{2}$

- Continuity is weakly enforced, such that the method
  - Is consistent
  - Is stable
  - Has the optimal convergence rate

# DG formulation for second-order continua

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- Enriched DG formulation (EDG)

- Strong enforcement of displacement continuity by using conventional finite element framework
- Weak enforcement of displacement gradients by DG formulation

- Kinematic space 
$$U_h^k = \left\{ \mathbf{u}^h \in \mathbf{H}^1(B_0^h) \mid \mathbf{u}^h|_{\Omega_0^e} \in \mathbb{P}^k \quad \forall \Omega_0^e \in B_0^h \right\}$$
$$U_{hc}^k = \left\{ \delta \mathbf{u} \in U_h^k \mid \delta \mathbf{u}|_{\partial_D B_0} = 0 \right\}$$

- Full DG formulation (FDG)

- Weak enforcement of displacement field and of its gradients by using DG formulation

- Kinematic space 
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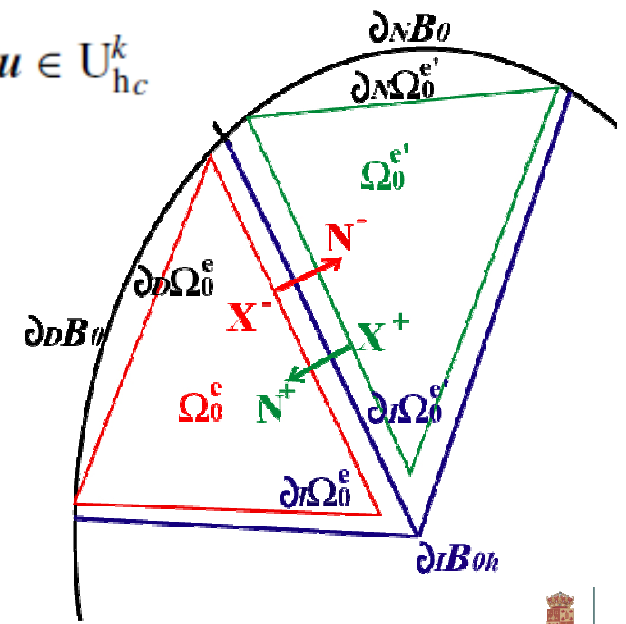
- Application to finite strain

- Strong form:

$$B + (P - Q \cdot \nabla_0) \cdot \nabla_0 = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall X \in B_0$$

- Weak form: finding  $\mathbf{u}^h \in U_h^k$  such that

$$\sum_e \int_{\Omega_0^e} \left\{ B_i + \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j} \left[ P_{ij}(\mathbf{u}^h) - \frac{\partial Q_{ijk}(\mathbf{u}^h)}{\partial X_k} \right] \right\} \delta u_i dB = 0 \quad \forall \delta u \in U_{hc}^k$$



# DG formulation for second-order continua

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- New weak formulation obtained by integration by parts **on each element  $\Omega^e$**

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_e \int_{\partial\Omega_0^e} N_j \left\{ \left[ P_{ij}(\mathbf{u}^h) - \frac{\partial Q_{ijk}(\mathbf{u}^h)}{\partial X_k} \right] \delta u_i + Q_{ijk}(\mathbf{u}^h) \frac{\partial \delta u_i}{\partial X_k} \right\} d\partial B = \\ & \int_{\partial B_0^h} N_j \left\{ \left[ P_{ij}(\mathbf{u}^h) - \frac{\partial Q_{ijk}(\mathbf{u}^h)}{\partial X_k} \right] \delta u_i + Q_{ijk}(\mathbf{u}^h) \frac{\partial \delta u_i}{\partial X_k} \right\} d\partial B \\ & - \int_{\partial_l B_0^h} N_j^- \left[ \hat{P}_{ij}(\mathbf{u}^h) \delta u_i \right] d\partial B - \int_{\partial_l B_0^h} N_j^- \left[ Q_{ijk}(\mathbf{u}^h) \frac{\partial \delta u_i}{\partial X_k} \right] d\partial B \quad \forall \delta \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{U}_{hc}^k, \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{P}_{ij}(\mathbf{u}^h) = P_{ij}(\mathbf{u}^h) - \frac{\partial Q_{ijk}(\mathbf{u}^h)}{\partial X_k}$$

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# DG formulation for second-order continua

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- Interface terms

- Introduction of the numerical fluxes

$$\int_{\partial_l B_0^h} N_j^- \llbracket \hat{P}_{ij}(\mathbf{u}^h) \delta u_i \rrbracket d\partial B \simeq \int_{\partial_l B_0^h} \llbracket \delta u_i \rrbracket h_i(\hat{\mathbf{P}}^+, \hat{\mathbf{P}}^-, N^-) d\partial B$$

$$\int_{\partial_l B_0^h} N_j^- \llbracket Q_{ijk}(\mathbf{u}^h) \frac{\partial \delta u_i}{\partial X_k} \rrbracket d\partial B \simeq \int_{\partial_l B_0^h} \llbracket \frac{\partial \delta u_i}{\partial X_j} \rrbracket H_{ij}(\mathbf{Q}^+, \mathbf{Q}^-, N^-) d\partial B$$

- Has to be consistent:

$$h(\hat{\mathbf{P}}, \hat{\mathbf{P}}, \mathbf{N}) = \hat{\mathbf{P}} \cdot \mathbf{N} \text{ and } h(\hat{\mathbf{P}}^+, \hat{\mathbf{P}}^-, N^-) = -h(\hat{\mathbf{P}}^-, \hat{\mathbf{P}}^+, N^+)$$

$$H(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{N}) = \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{N} \text{ and } H(\mathbf{Q}^+, \mathbf{Q}^-, N^-) = -H(\mathbf{Q}^-, \mathbf{Q}^+, N^+)$$

- One possible choice

$$h_i(\hat{\mathbf{P}}^+, \hat{\mathbf{P}}^-, N^-) = \langle \hat{P}_{ij} \rangle N_j^- + \frac{1}{2} N_j^- \left\langle \frac{\beta^P}{h^s} C_{ijkl}^0 \right\rangle \llbracket u_k \rrbracket N_l^-$$

$$H_{ij}(\mathbf{Q}^+, \mathbf{Q}^-, N^-) = \langle Q_{ijk} \rangle N_k^- + \frac{1}{2} N_k^- \left\langle \frac{\beta^Q}{h^s} \mathcal{J}_{ijkpqr}^0 \right\rangle \llbracket \frac{\partial u_p}{\partial X_q} \rrbracket N_r^-$$

- Stabilization controlled by parameter  $\beta$ , for all mesh sizes  $h^s$



# DG formulation for second-order continua

- Shear layer test: boundary effect

- Displacement field  $u = u(y)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \kappa \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) \right] = 0$$

$$u(0) = 0, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(0) = 0$$

$$u(H) = u_0, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(H) = 0$$

- Results by using FDG

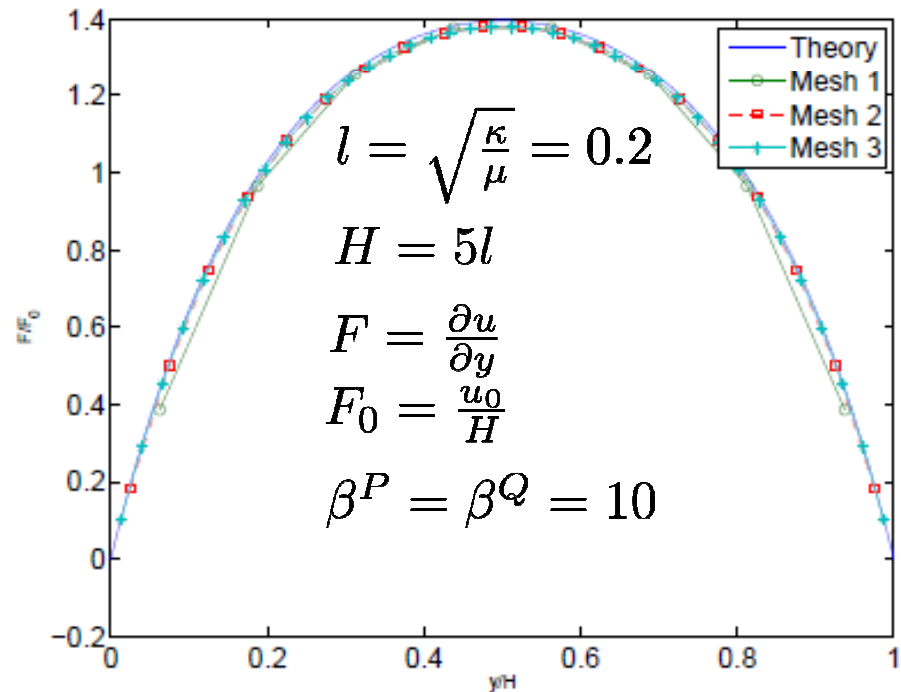
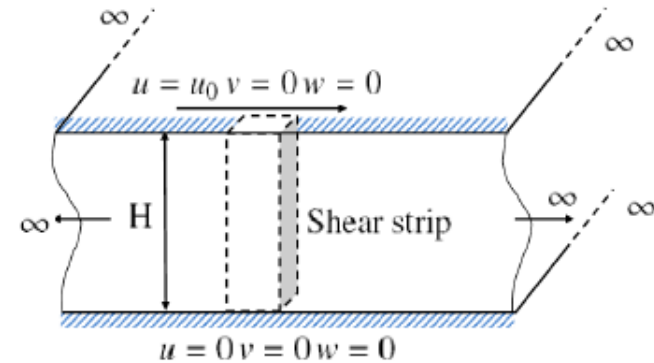
Mesh 1 (8 Elements)



Mesh 2 (20 Elements)



Mesh 3 (38 Elements)



# Multiscale scheme

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- Second-order multiscale computational homogenization with DG formulation
  - Using FDG or EDG at the macroscopic scale
  - Using conventional  $C^0$  finite element framework at microscopic scale
  - RVEs are assigned into both surface and volume integration points
  - All microscopic boundary condition types are possible (linear displacement BC, constant traction BC, periodic BC)



# Multiscale scheme

- Shear layer problem: size effects

- Macroscopic problem:

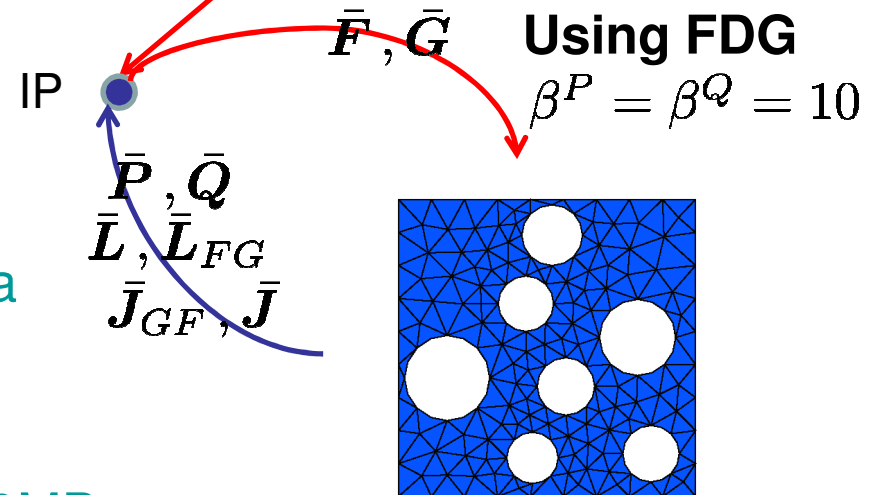
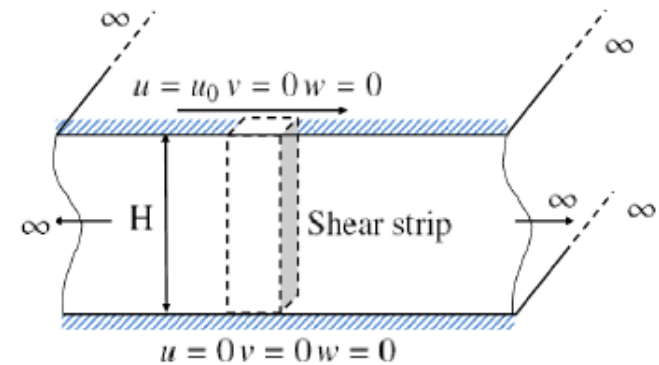
- $H = 1\text{cm}, 2\text{cm}, 4\text{cm}$  and  $8\text{cm}$
    - Boundary condition

$$u(0) = 0, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(0) = 0$$

$$u(H) = 0.01H, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(H) = 0$$

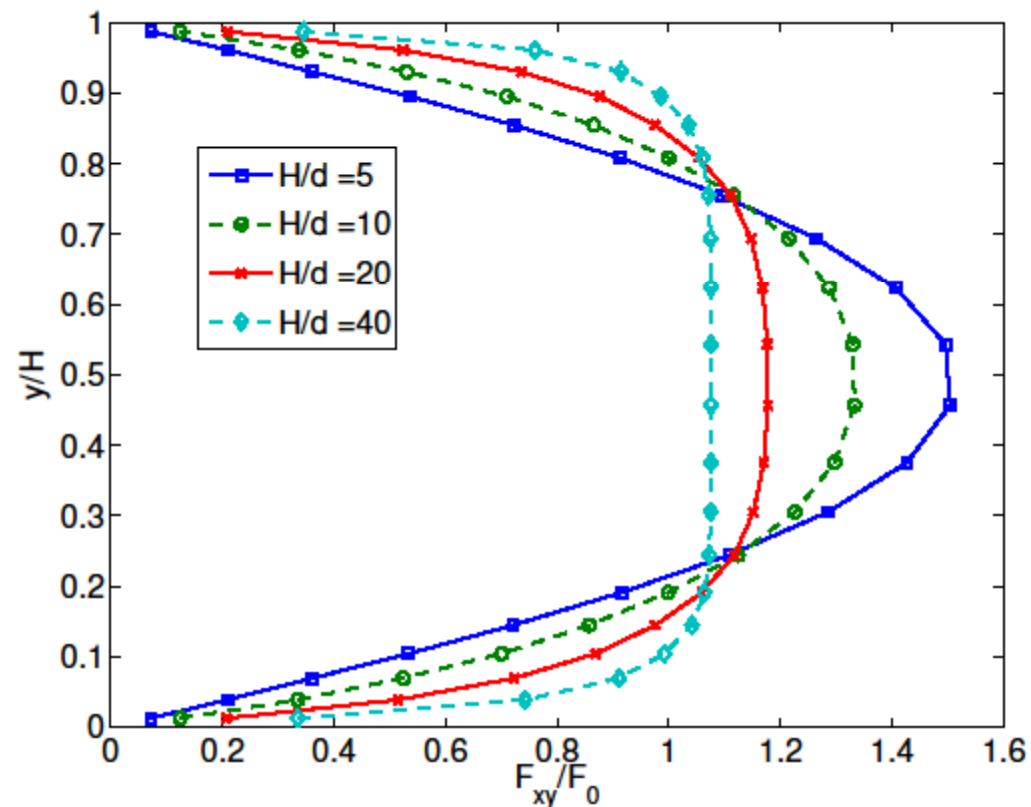
- Microscopic problem:

- RVE size  $d = 0.2\text{cm}$
    - Periodic BC
    - Material law
      - Young modulus =  $210\text{GPa}$
      - Poisson ratio =  $0.3$
      - Yield stress =  $507\text{MPa}$
      - Hardening modulus =  $200\text{MPa}$



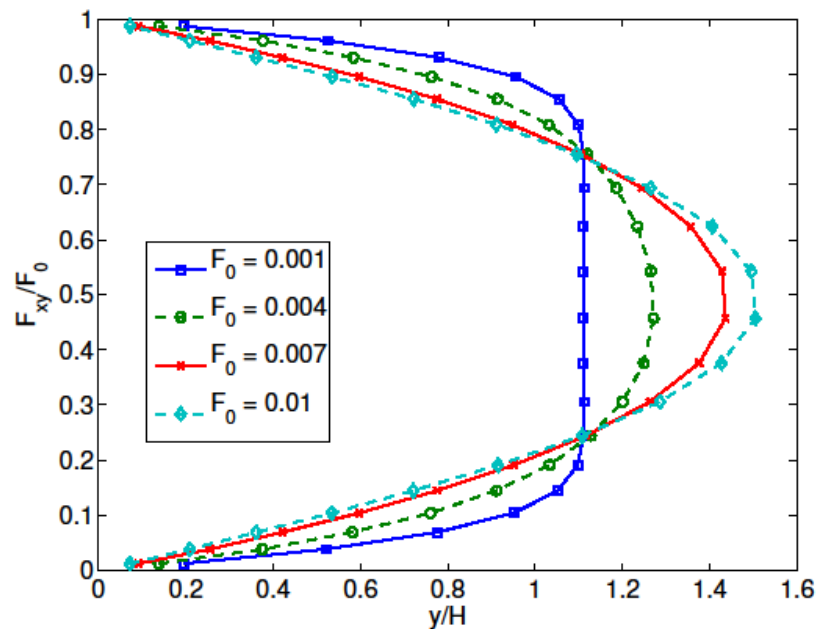
# Multiscale scheme

- Shear layer problem: size effects
  - Profil of deformation gradient

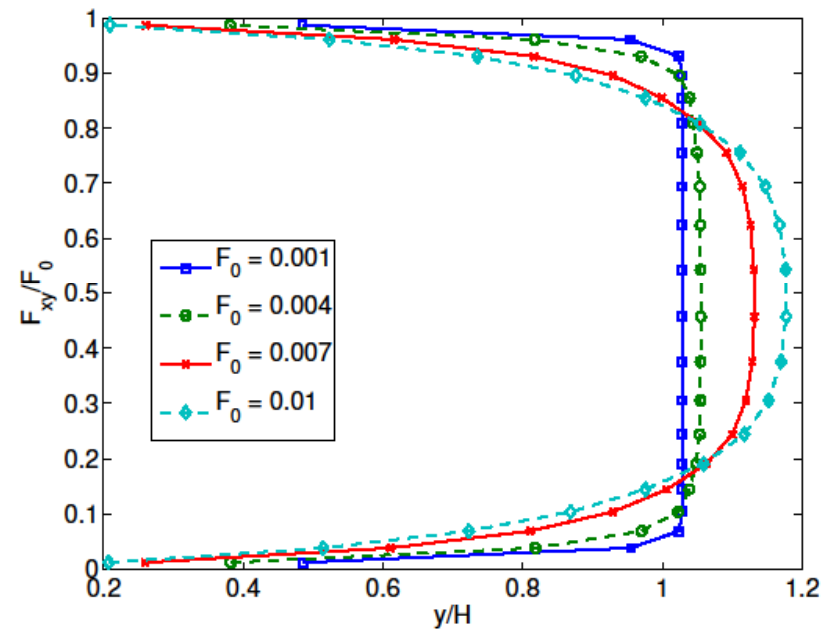


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- Shear layer problem: size effects
  - Development of boundary layer due to elastoplasticity



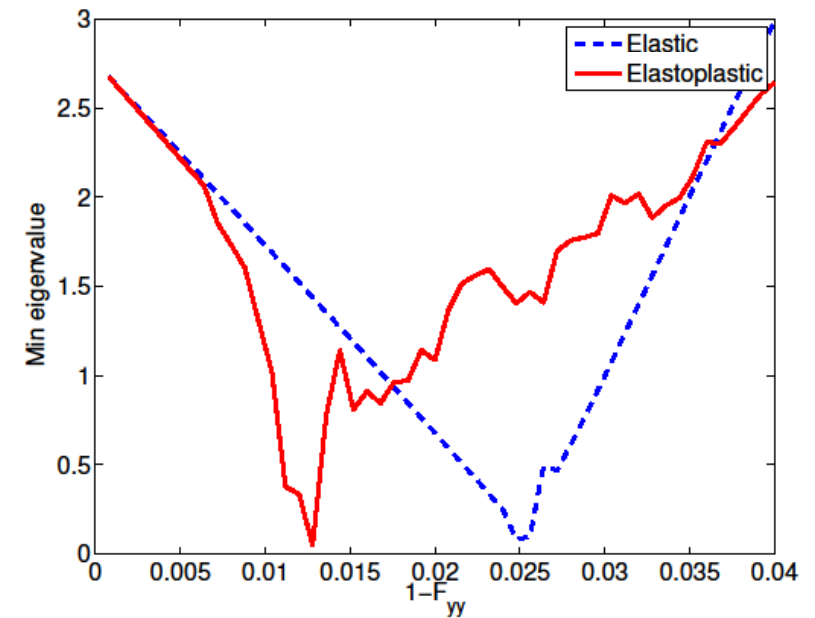
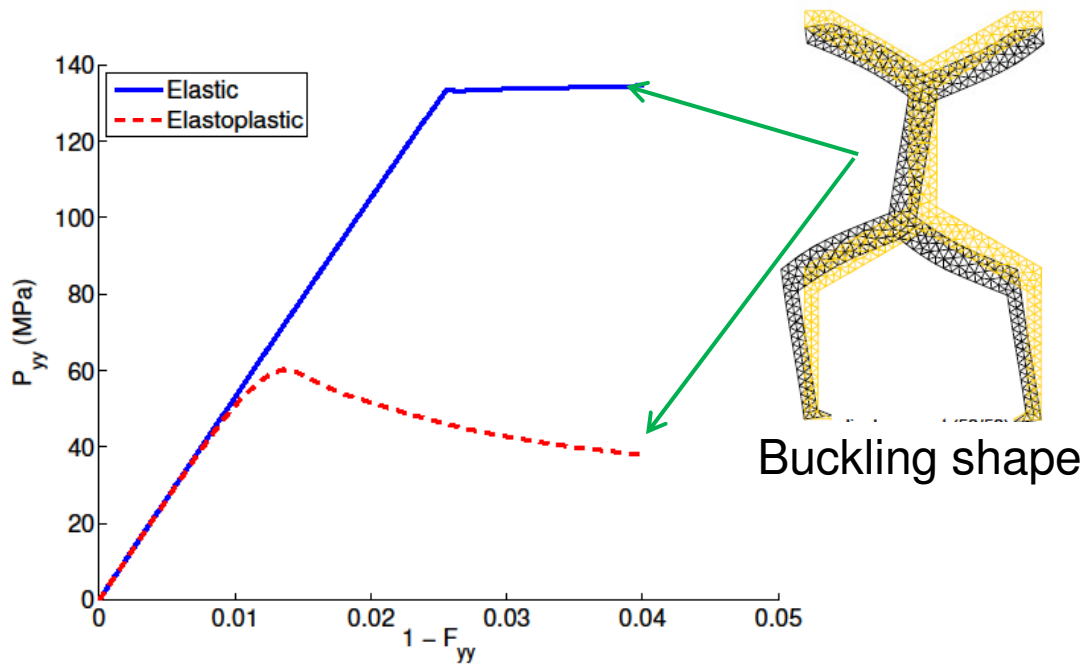
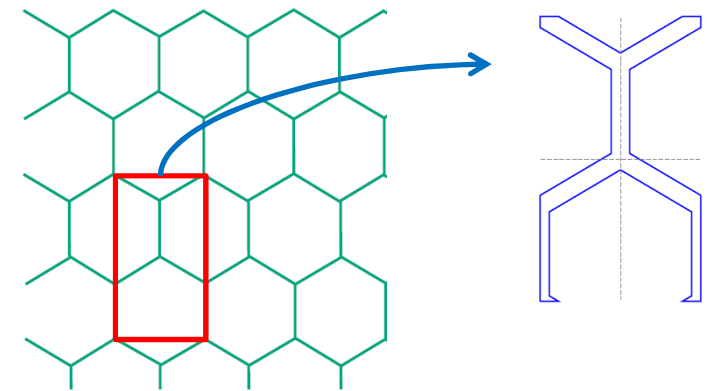
$H = 1\text{cm}$



$H = 4\text{cm}$

# Micro-buckling

- Micro-buckling with honey-comb
  - Elastic
  - Elastoplastic



# Conclusions and perspectives

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- Second-order computational homogenization for analyses of
  - Moderate localization
  - Size effect
  - High gradient
  - New efficient method based on DG enforcement
- Periodic boundary condition for non conforming meshes
  - Enforced by polynomial interpolation
- Analyses of local buckling
  - Based on path-following method
- Work in progress
  - Multiscale computational homogenization with micro-buckling





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Thanks for your attention!

