
Fracture toughness of periodic beam lattices

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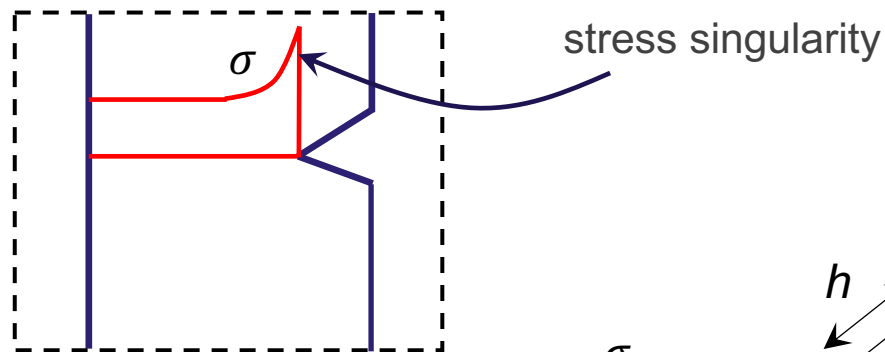
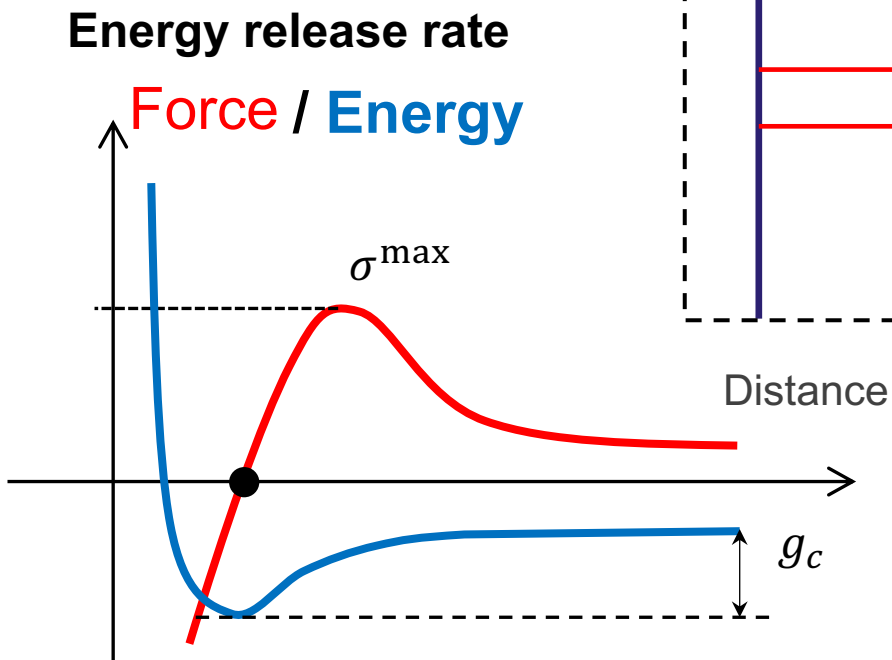
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Motivation

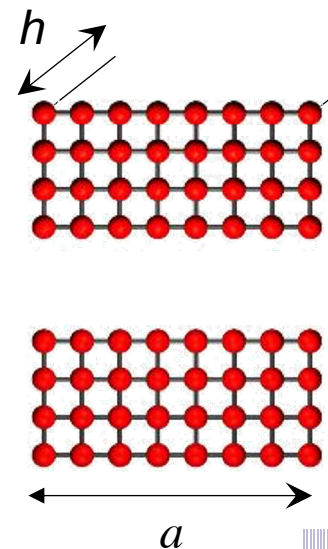
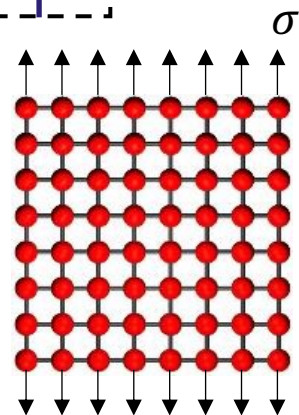


Griffith (1921, 1924)



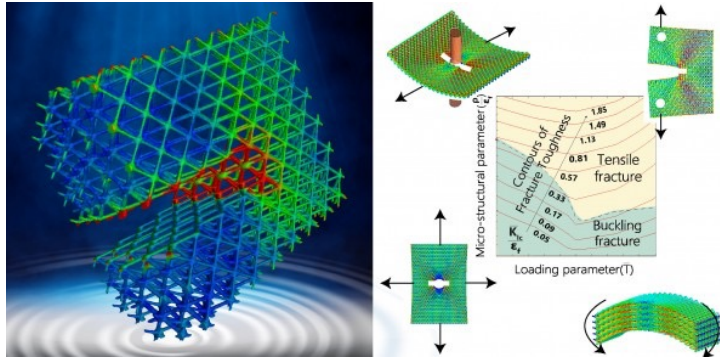
typical
interatomic
potential

$$S = 2g_c ha$$



Motivation

Toughness of metamaterials

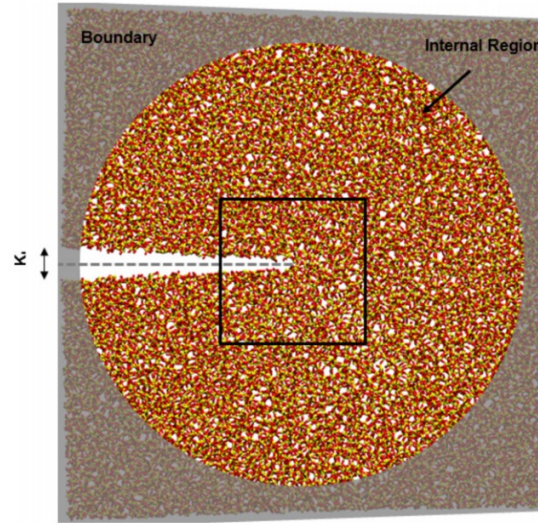


Shaikkea et al. (2022), Nature Materials

Asymptotic analysis:

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{ij} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{ij}}{\sigma_f} = \bar{K}_I \left[\bar{r}^{-\frac{1}{2}} f_{ij}^I + \bar{T}_{11} \delta_{1i} \delta_{1j} + \bar{T}_{33} \delta_{3i} \delta_{3j} + \bar{T}_{13} \delta_{1i} \delta_{3j} + \mathcal{O}(\bar{r}^{\frac{1}{2}}) + \mathcal{O}(\bar{r}) + \dots \right]$$

Toughness of amorphous matter



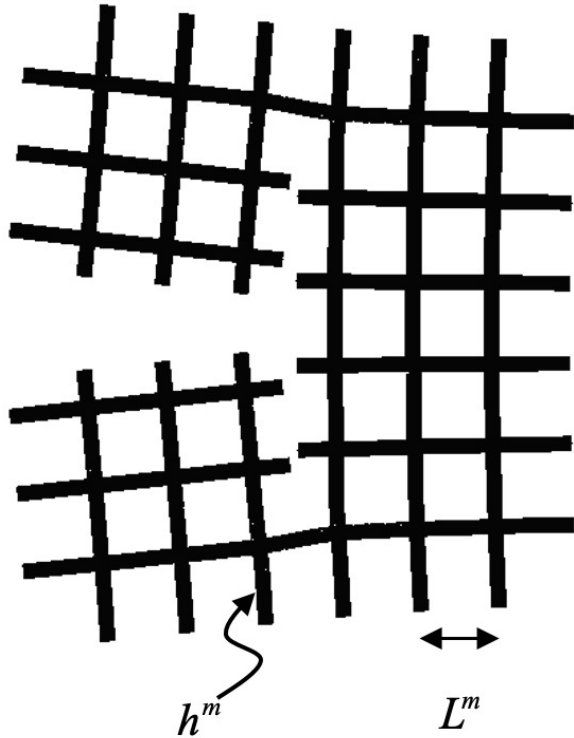
J integral

$$J_I = \int_S \left(\Pi_{\varepsilon} n_x - \mathbf{t} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x} \right) dS$$

QUESTION:
Can we calculate toughness based on an RVE?

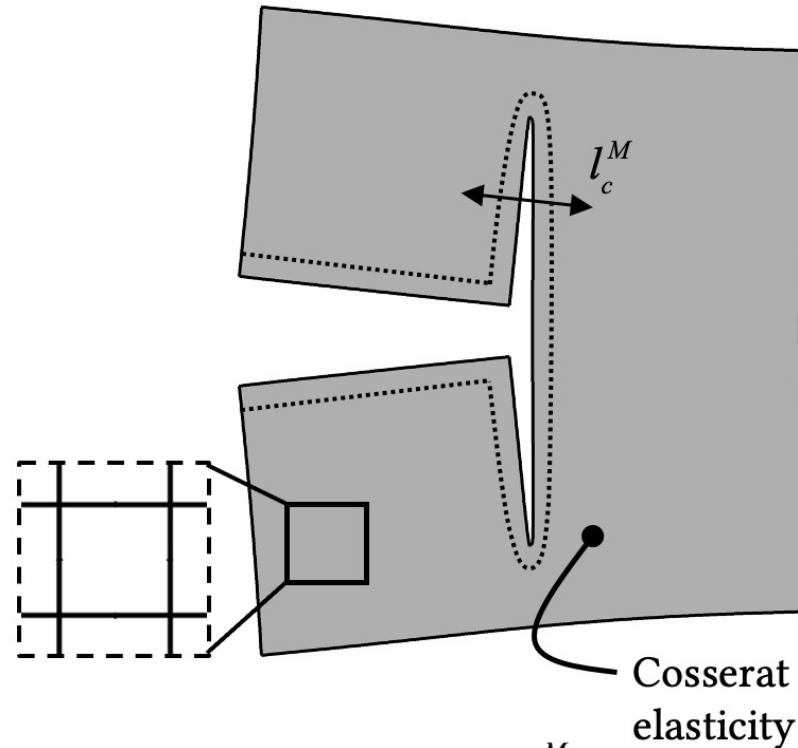
Problem statement

(a) Discrete beam



micro-strength: σ_c^m

(b) Continuum phase-field



macro-toughness: g_c^M

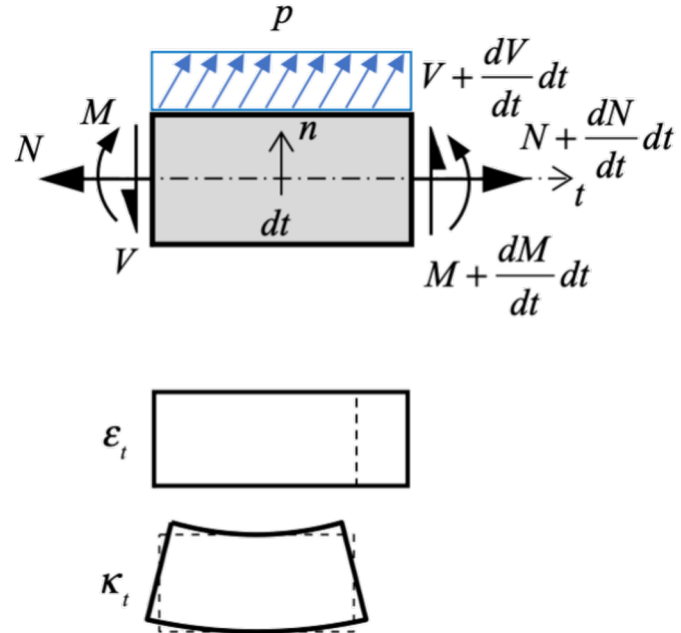
- Critical load
- Fracture topology
- Various loading

Beam model

Euler-Bernoulli beams

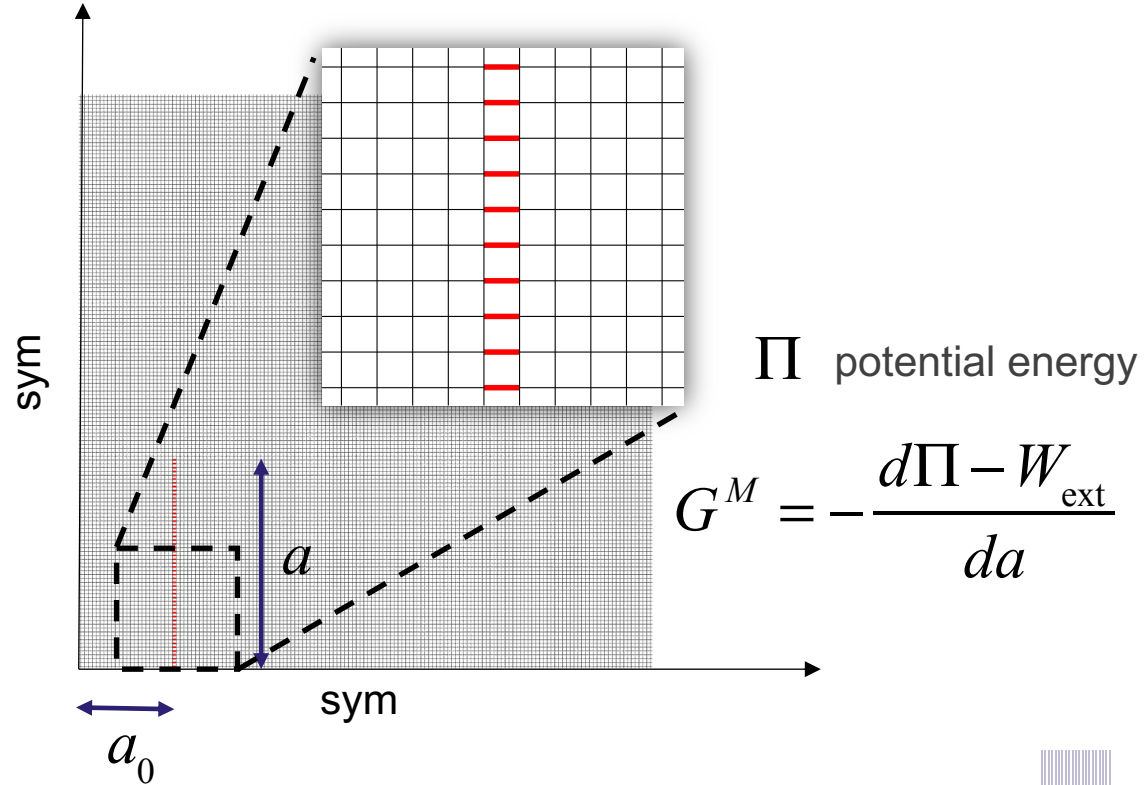
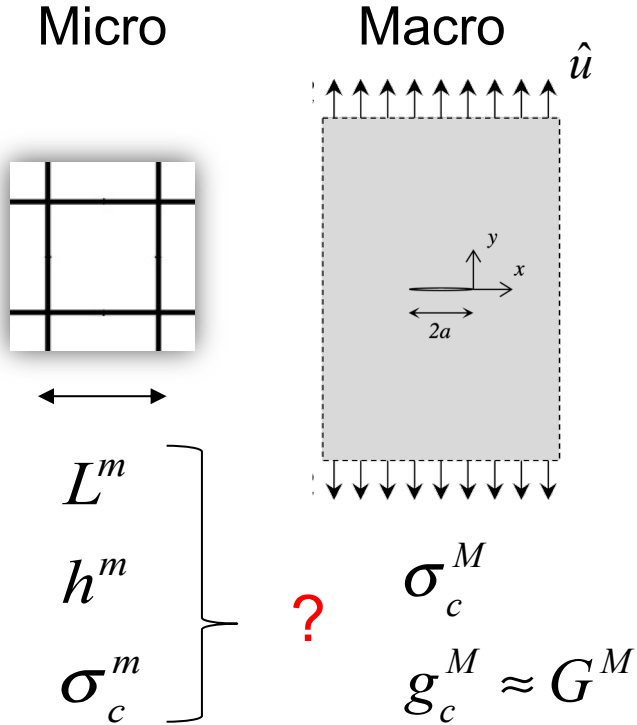
Modelling assumptions

- beams are flawless
- no stress concentration at joints
- $\sigma_t < \sigma_c^m$



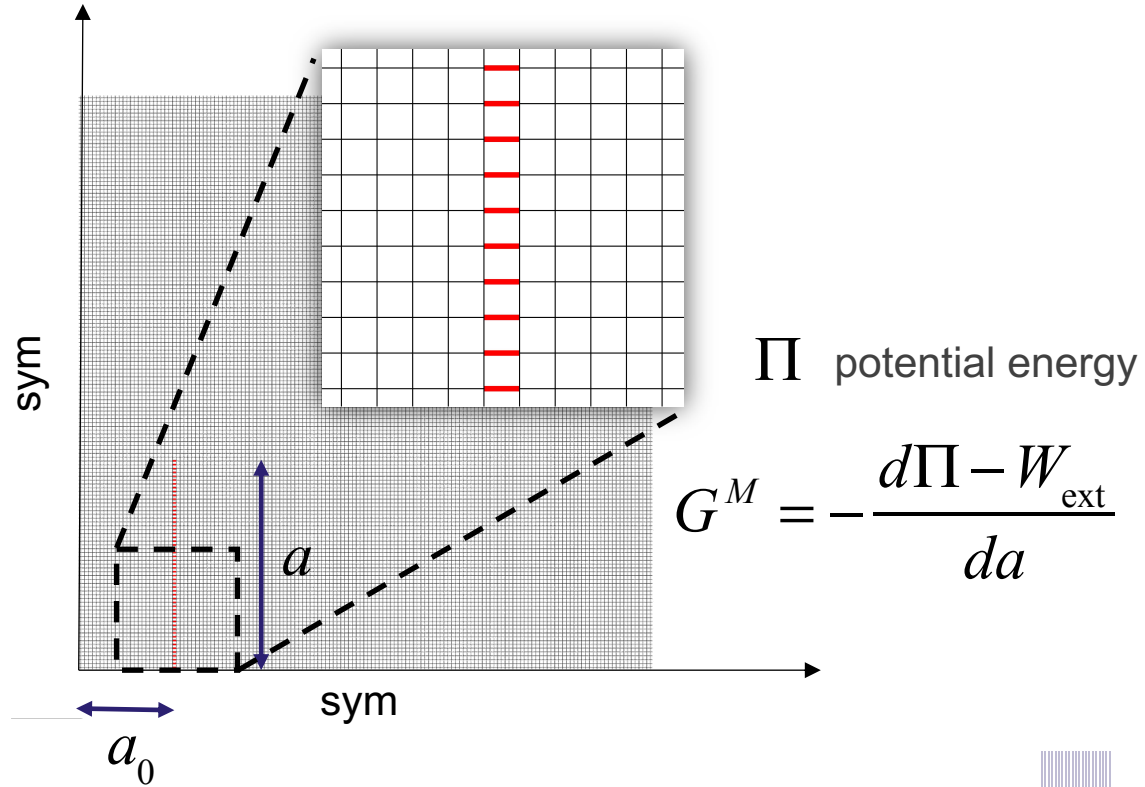
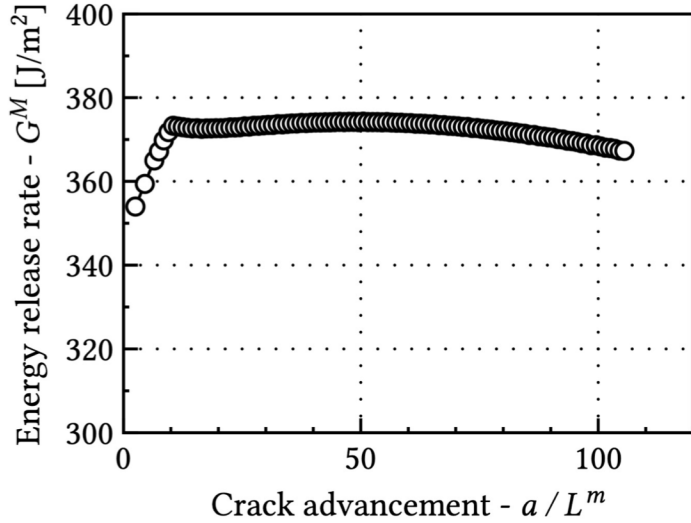
Beam model

Toughness calculation



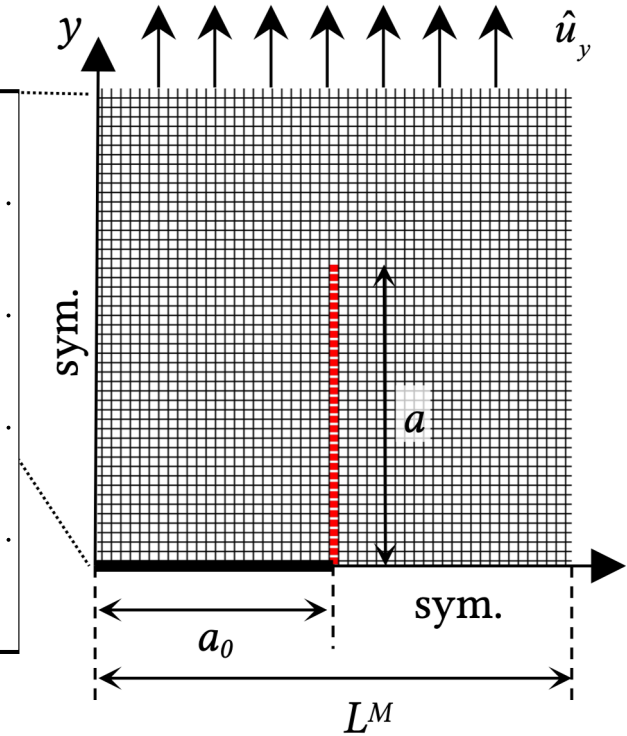
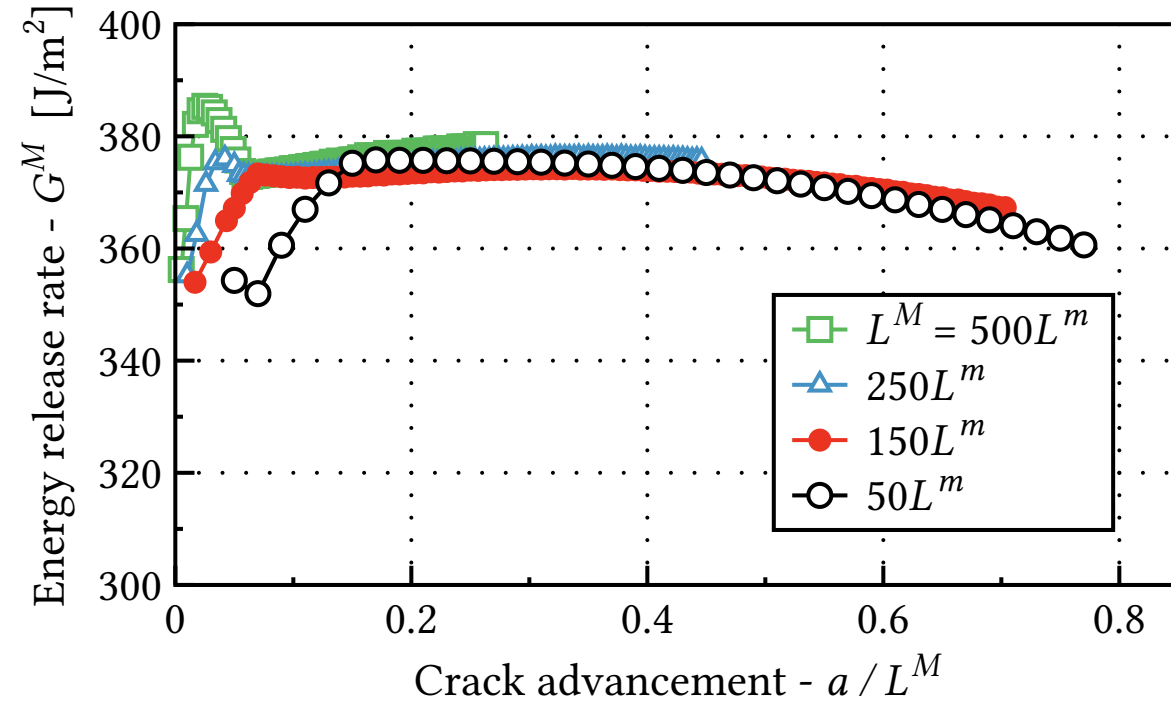
Beam results

Toughness calculation



Beam results

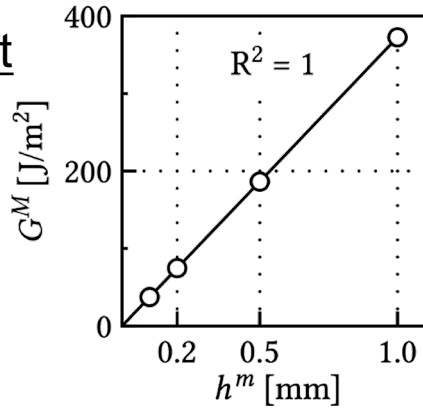
Effect of model geometry



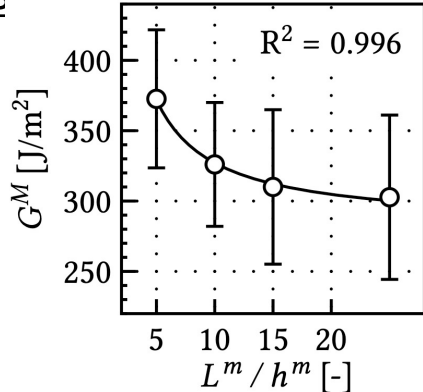
Beam results

Effect of microstructure and material

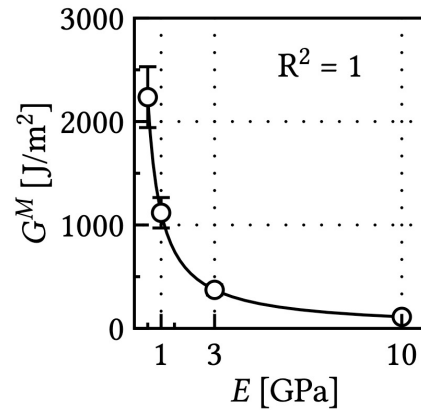
Beam height



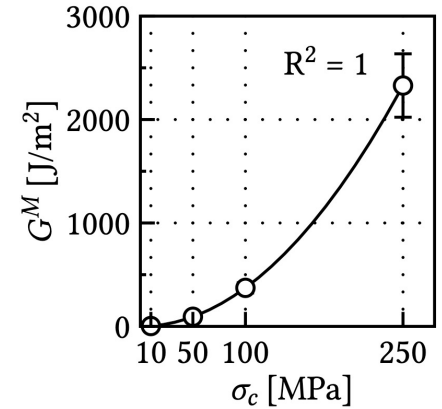
Slenderness



Young's modulus



Strength



$$G^M \sim g_{\text{Irwin}} \approx \frac{(\sigma_c^m)^2 h^m}{E}$$

Fracture toughness based on RVE?



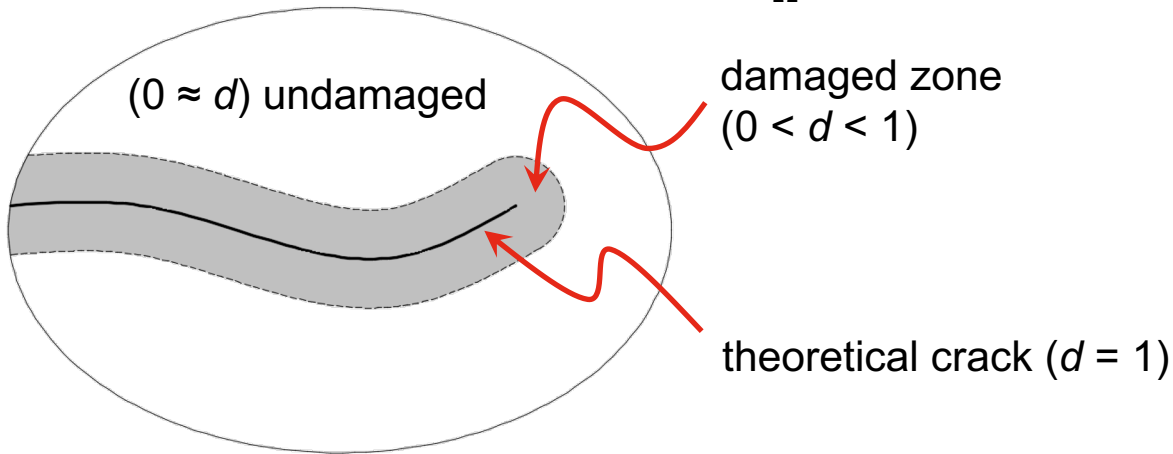
Continuum model

Phase-field theory

1. Brittle fracture
$$-\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial a} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{S}}{\partial a} = g_c \quad (\text{Griffith, 1920})$$

2. Minimization problem
$$\Pi(\mathbf{u}, d) = \int_{\Omega} g(d) \psi_0(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u})) d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} \frac{3g_{c,M}}{8l_c} \left(d + l_c^2 |\nabla d|^2 \right) d\Omega$$

crack energy density



(Ambrosio & Tortorelli, 1990)
(Bourdin et al., 2000)
(Amor et al., 2009)
(Miehe et al., 2010)

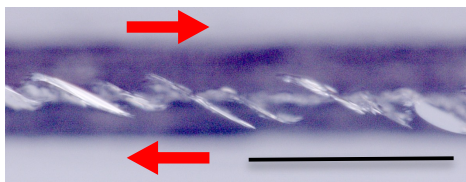
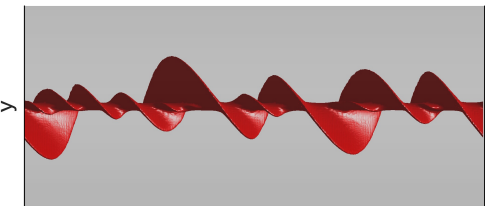
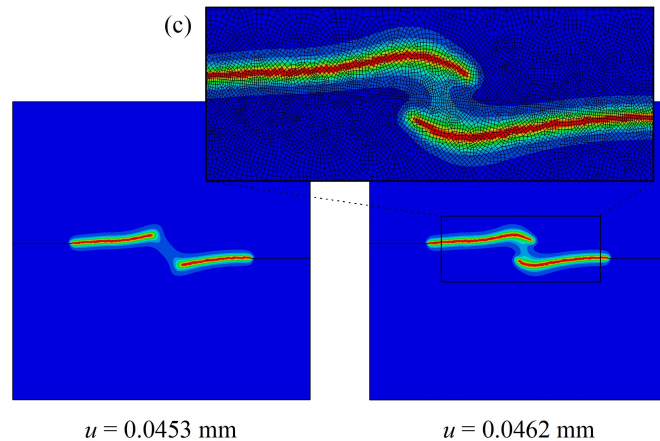
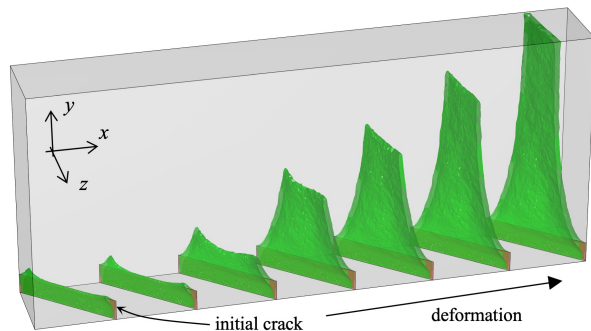
$l_c \rightarrow 0 \quad \Gamma$ converges

Continuum model

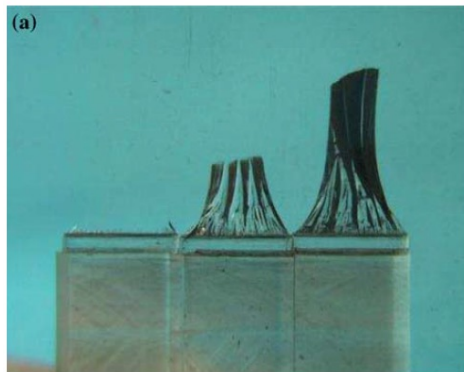
Molnár & Gravouil (2017)

Phase-field examples

Molnár et al. (2024)



Mode I+III



Lazarus et al. (2008)



Mode I+II

G. Molnár et al.

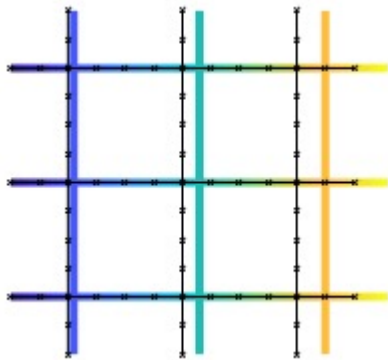
Continuum model

Cosserat theory

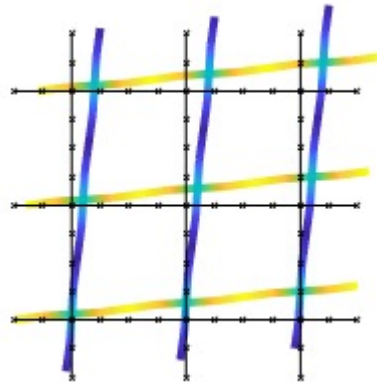
New DOF: rotation ϕ

$$\Pi(\mathbf{u}, \phi, \mathbf{d}) = \int_{\Omega} g(\mathbf{d}) \cdot \psi(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u}, \phi)) \, d\Omega + W(\mathbf{d}, \nabla \mathbf{d})$$

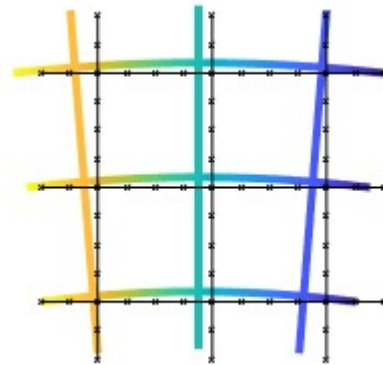
New deformations



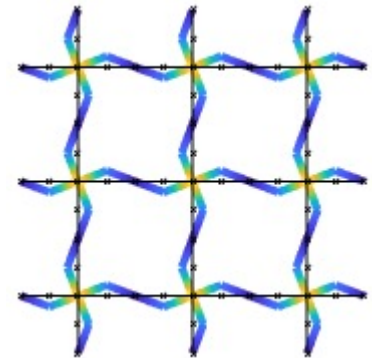
extension



shear



curvature



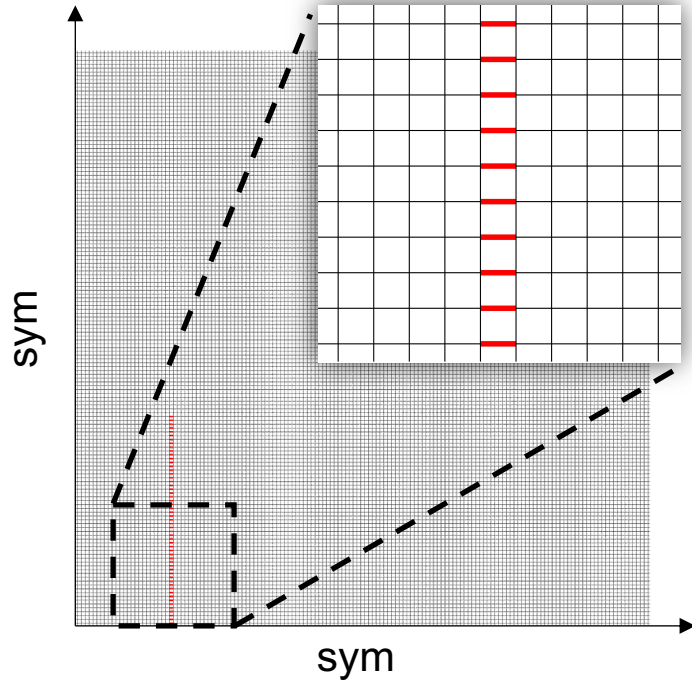
uniform rotation of joints

(Cosserat & Cosserat, 1909)

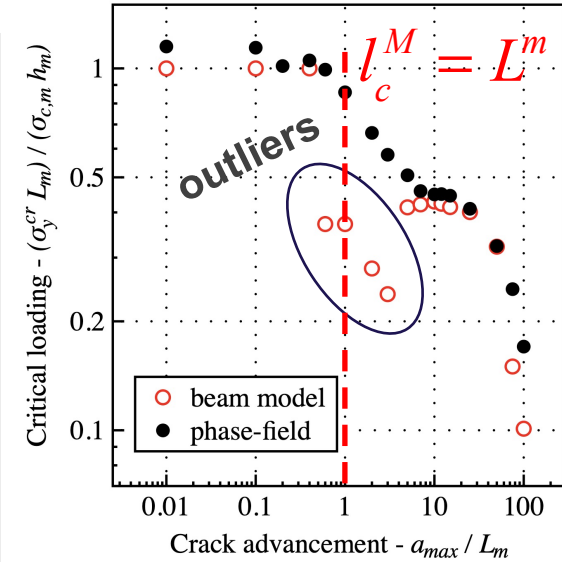
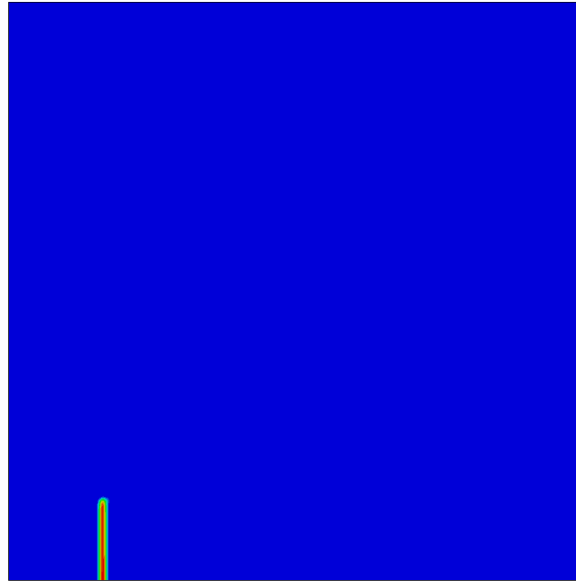
Calibration

Square grid in tension (Mode I)

Beam model



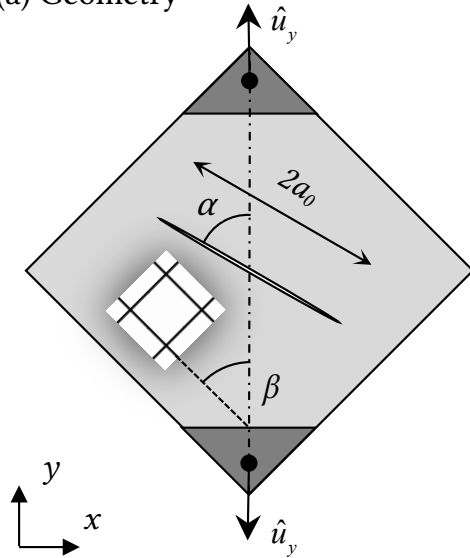
Phase-field



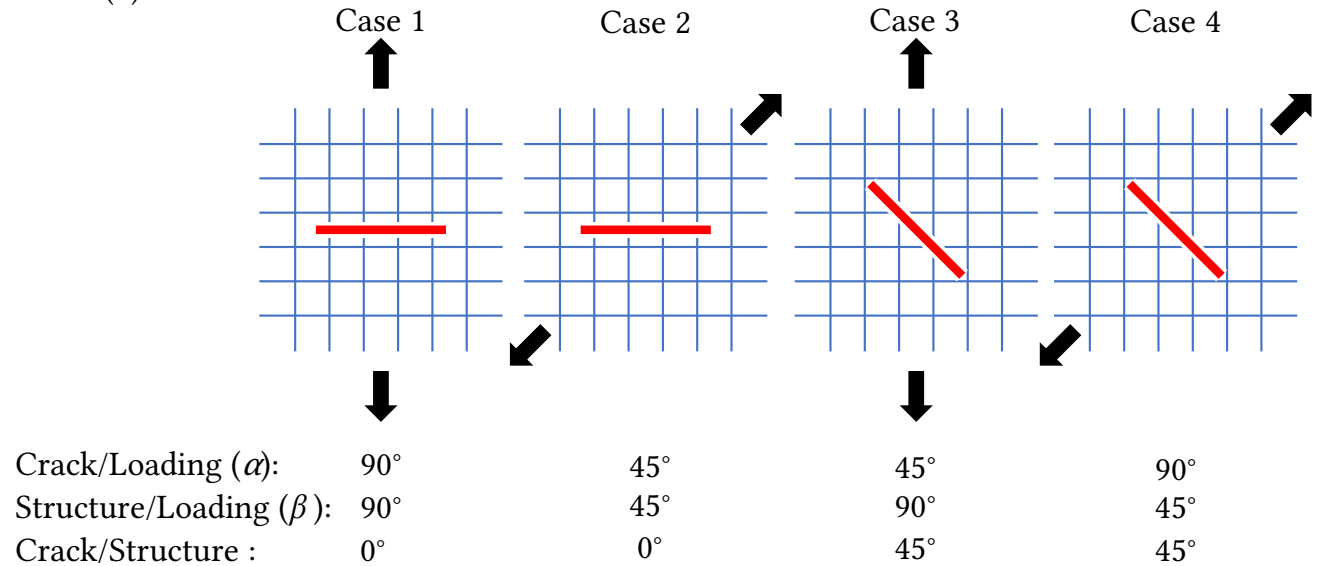
Experimental validation

Principal orientations

(a) Geometry



(b) Orientations



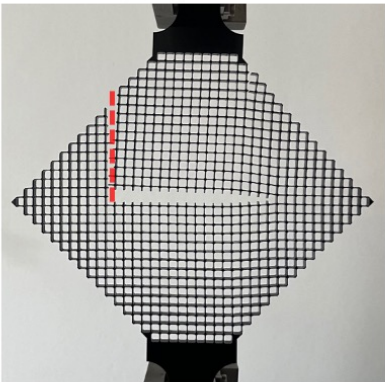
Experimental validation

Tension and shear

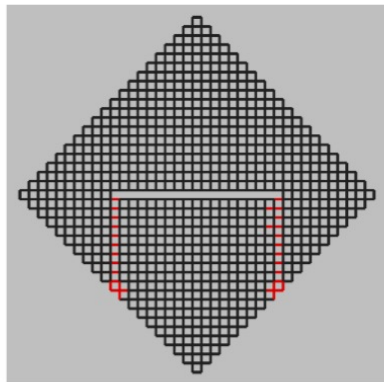


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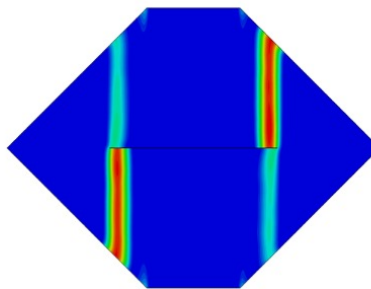
(a) Experiment



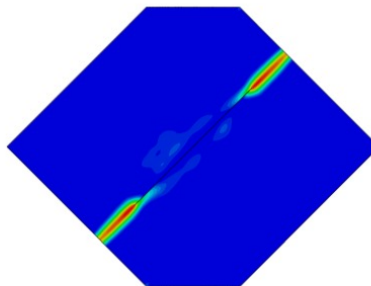
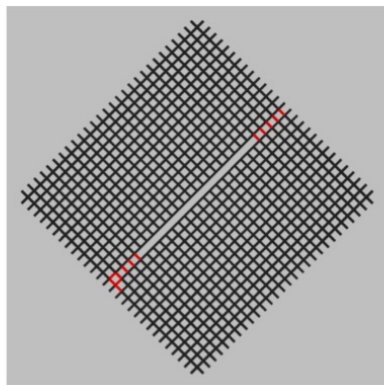
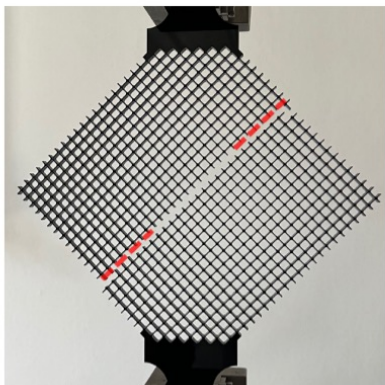
(b) Beam model



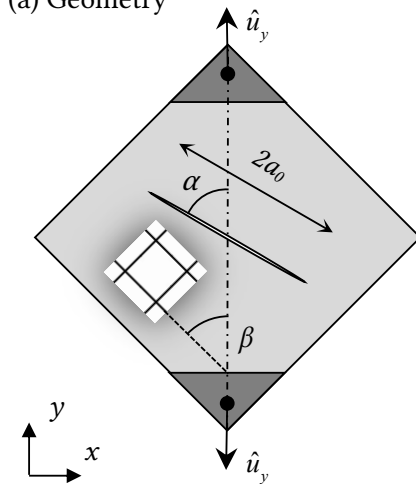
(c) Phase-field model



Case 2.



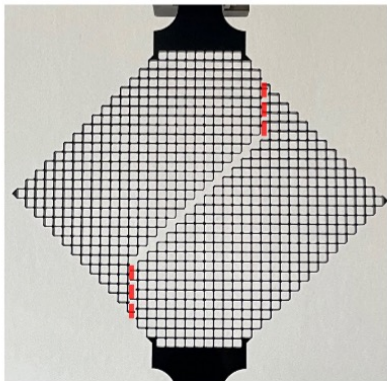
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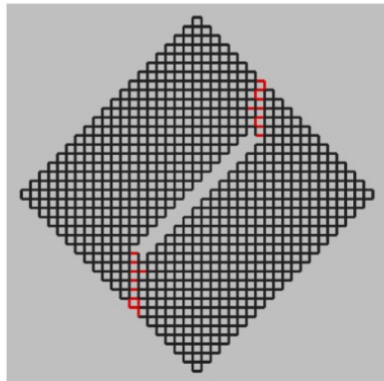
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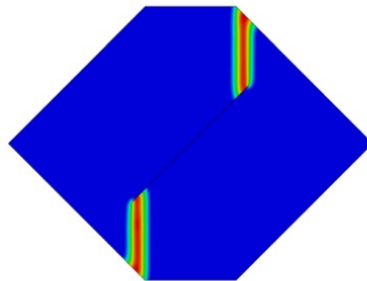
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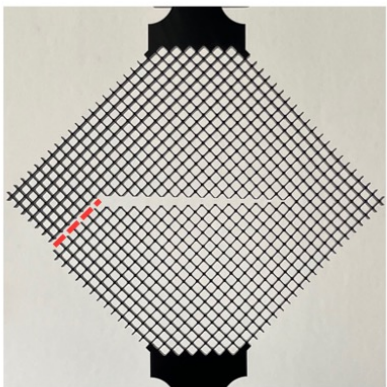
(b) Beam model



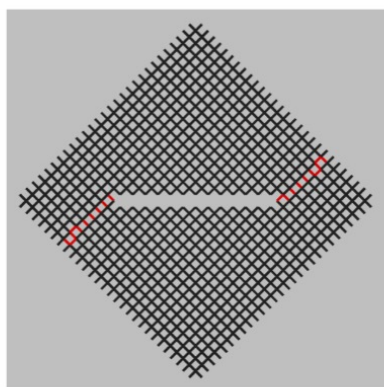
(c) Phase-field model



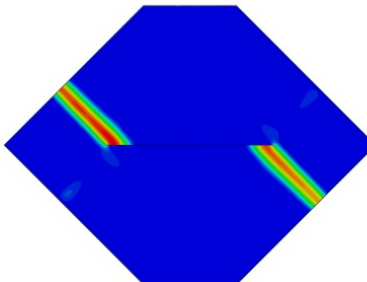
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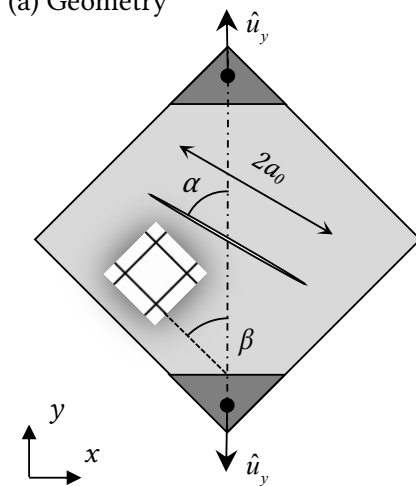
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(c) Phase-field model



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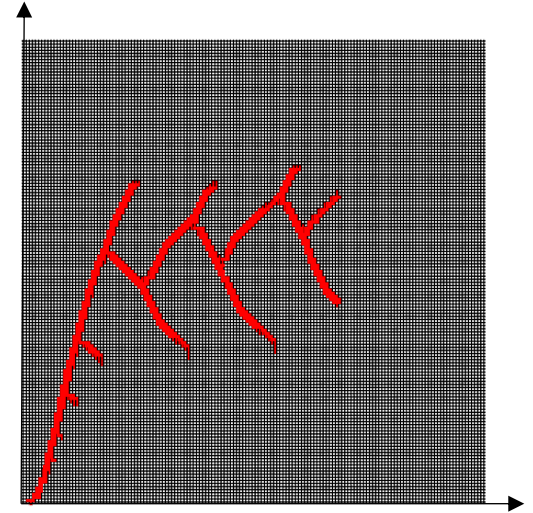


Conclusion / Perspectives

Fracture in periodic beam lattices

- **Toughness** can be defined
- Follows **continuum** theories
- **Homogenization**
 - Cosserat continuum
 - Multiple damage variables
 - Anisotropic phase-field

$$G^M \sim g_{\text{Irwin}} \approx \frac{(\sigma_c^m)^2 h^m}{E}$$



Other lattice types, 3D, etc...

Thank you for your attention

Try it out!

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