

Multiscale quasicontinuum approaches for beam lattices

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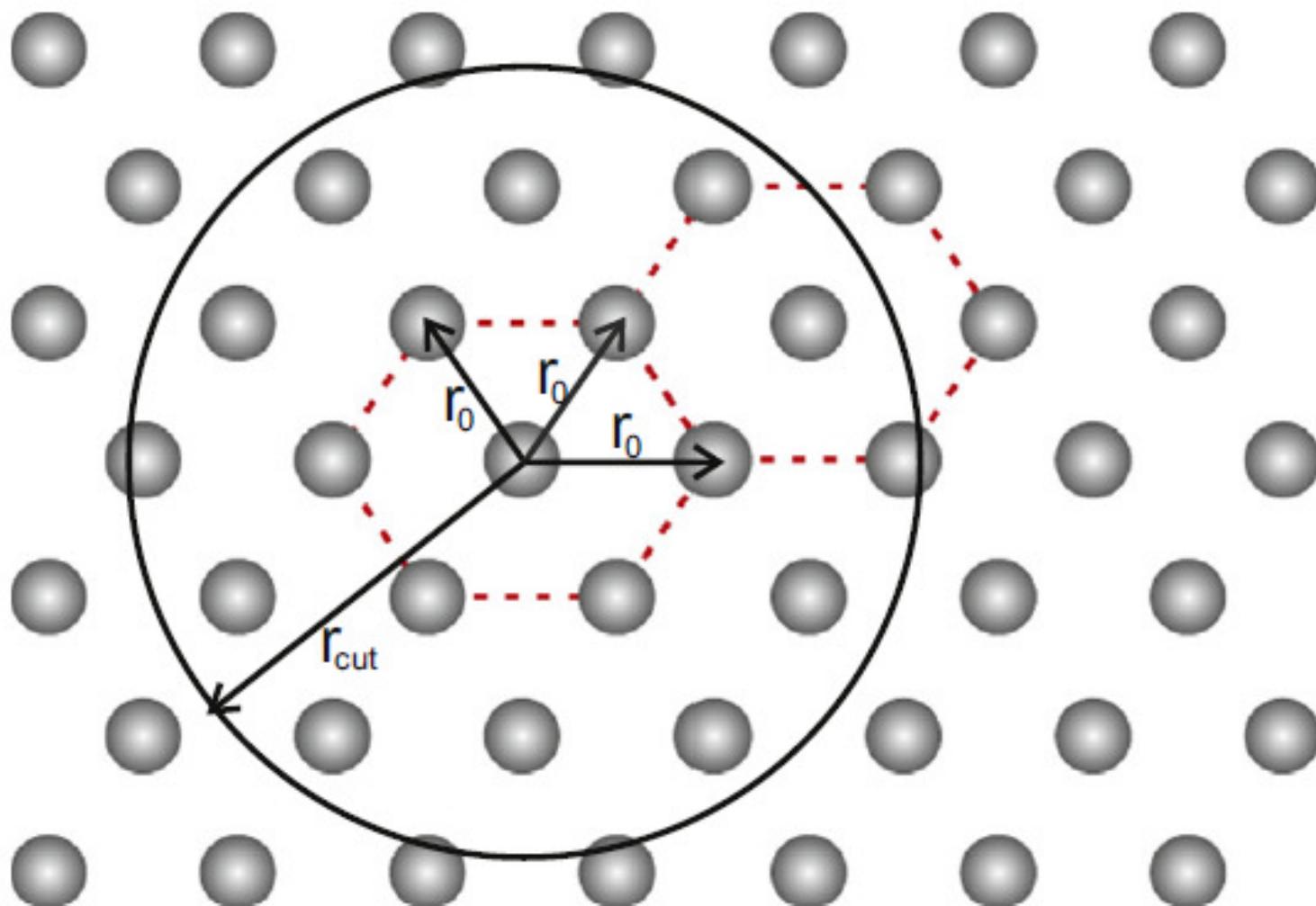
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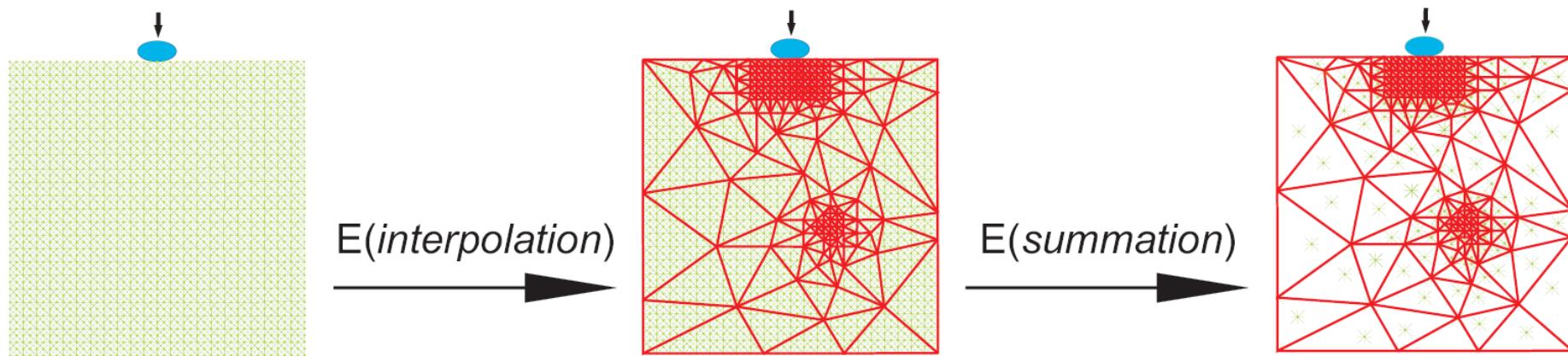
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Atomistic lattices

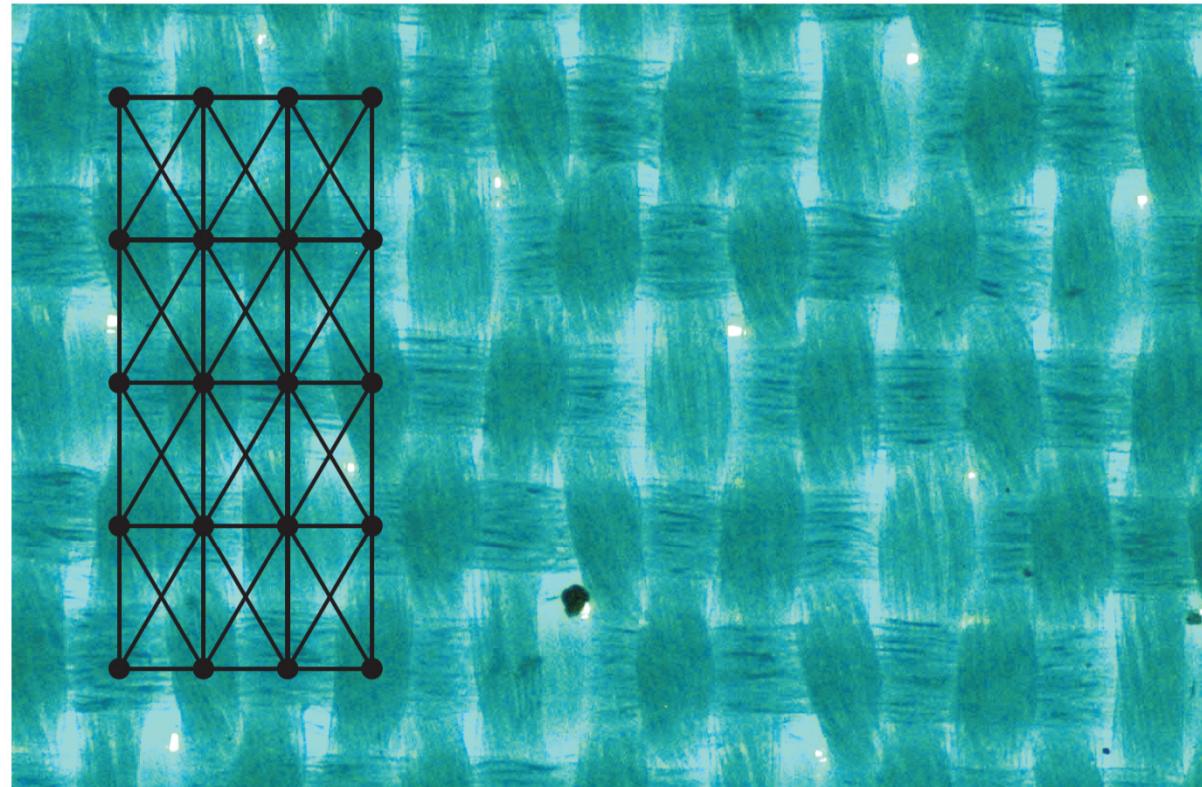
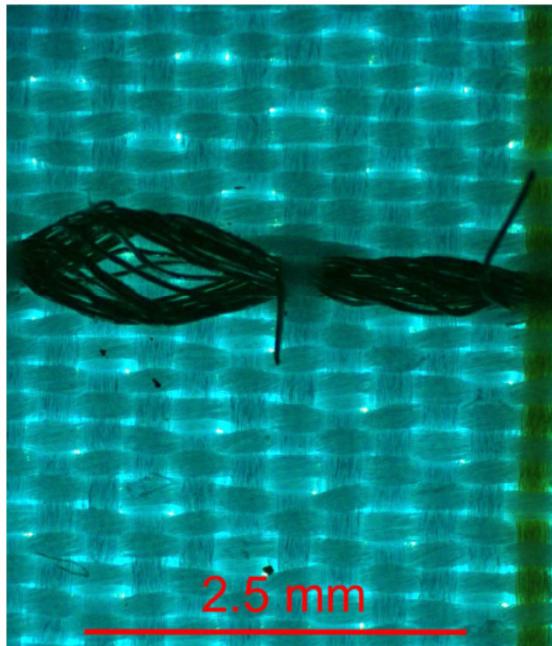
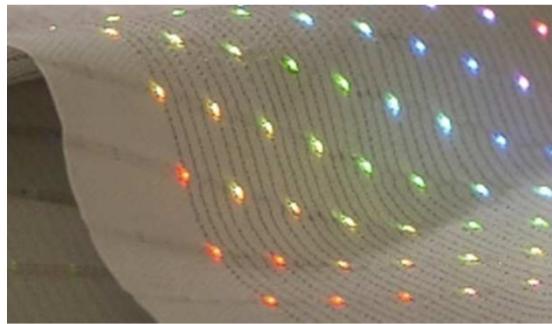


Quasicontinuum method (Tadmor et al, 1996)

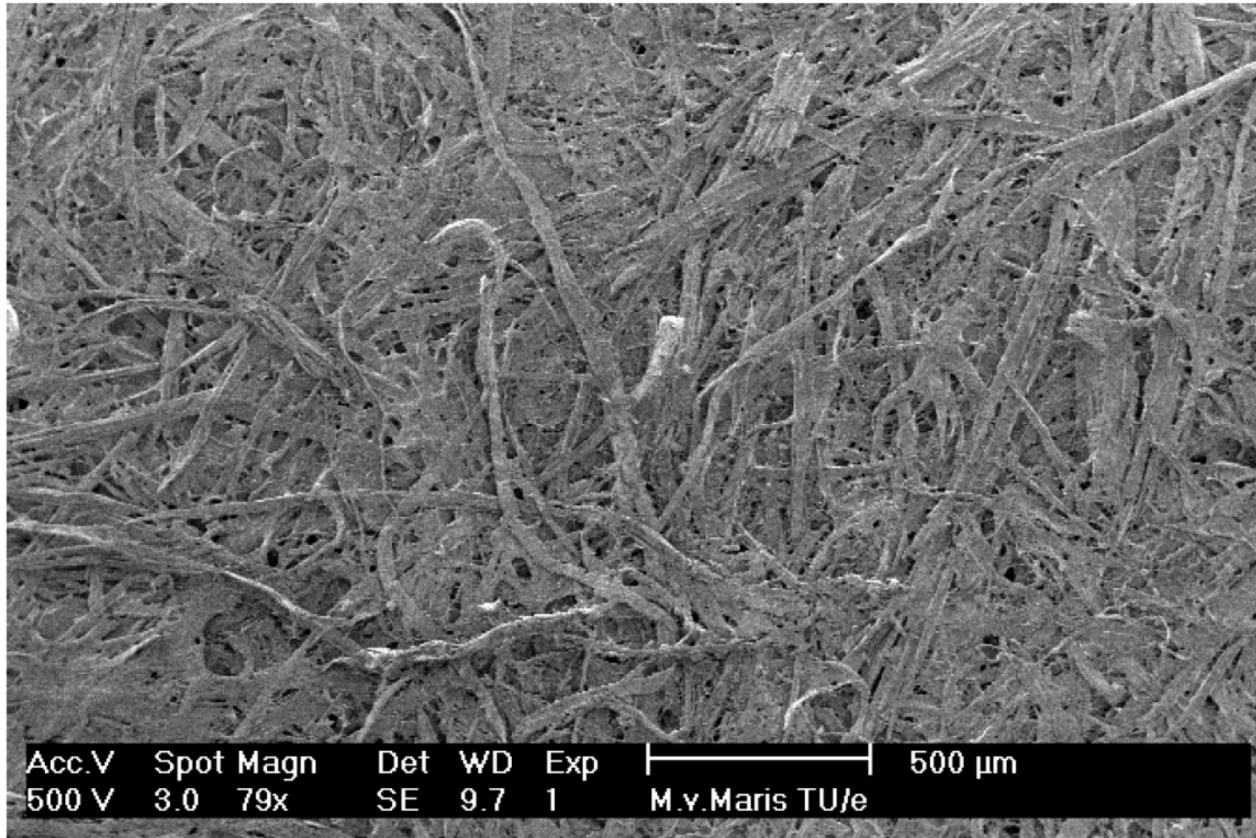


- Ideal for local events in large-scale lattice computations
- Underlying lattice fully resolved where needed
- No continuum/constitutive assumptions

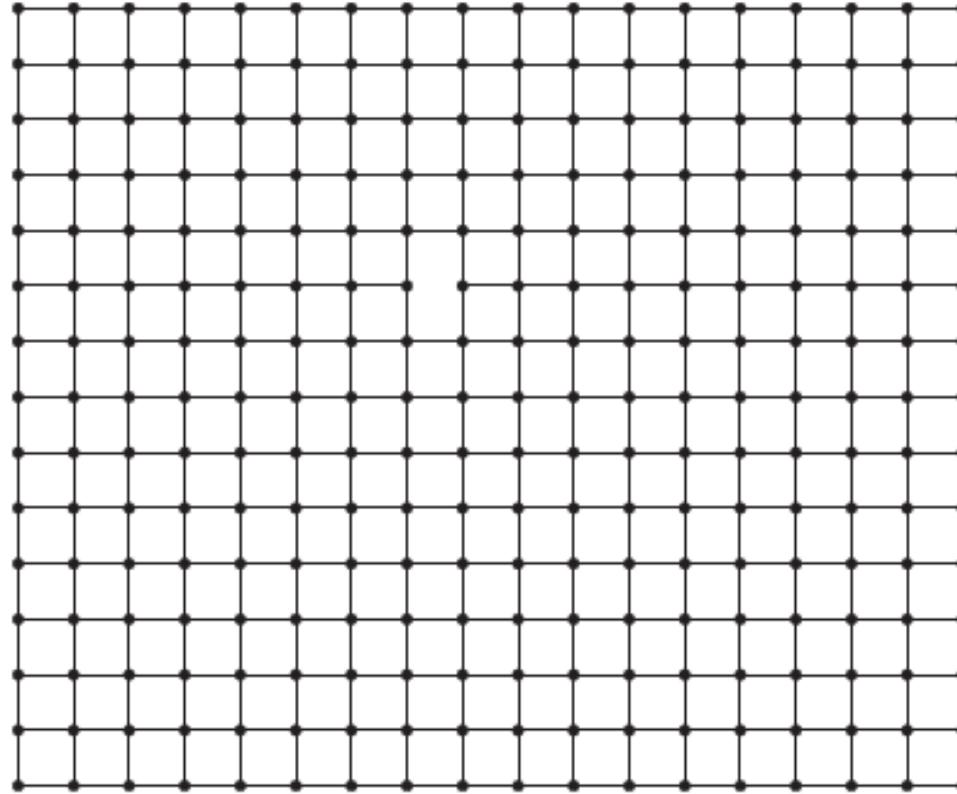
Truss/spring lattice for electronic textile



Truss/spring lattice for paper materials



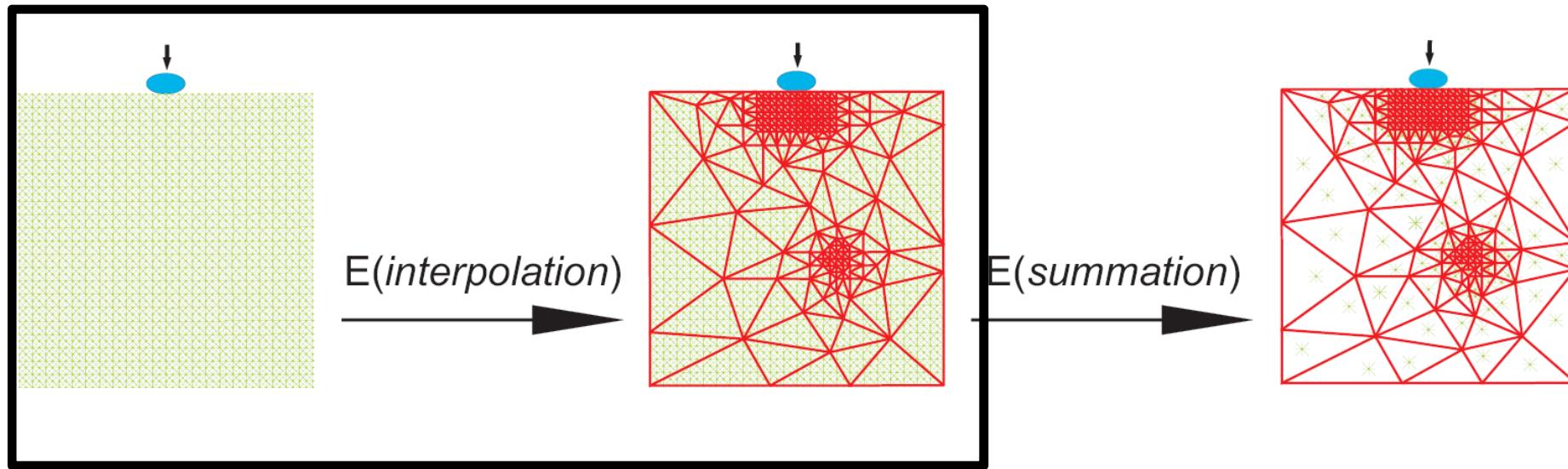
Beam lattices



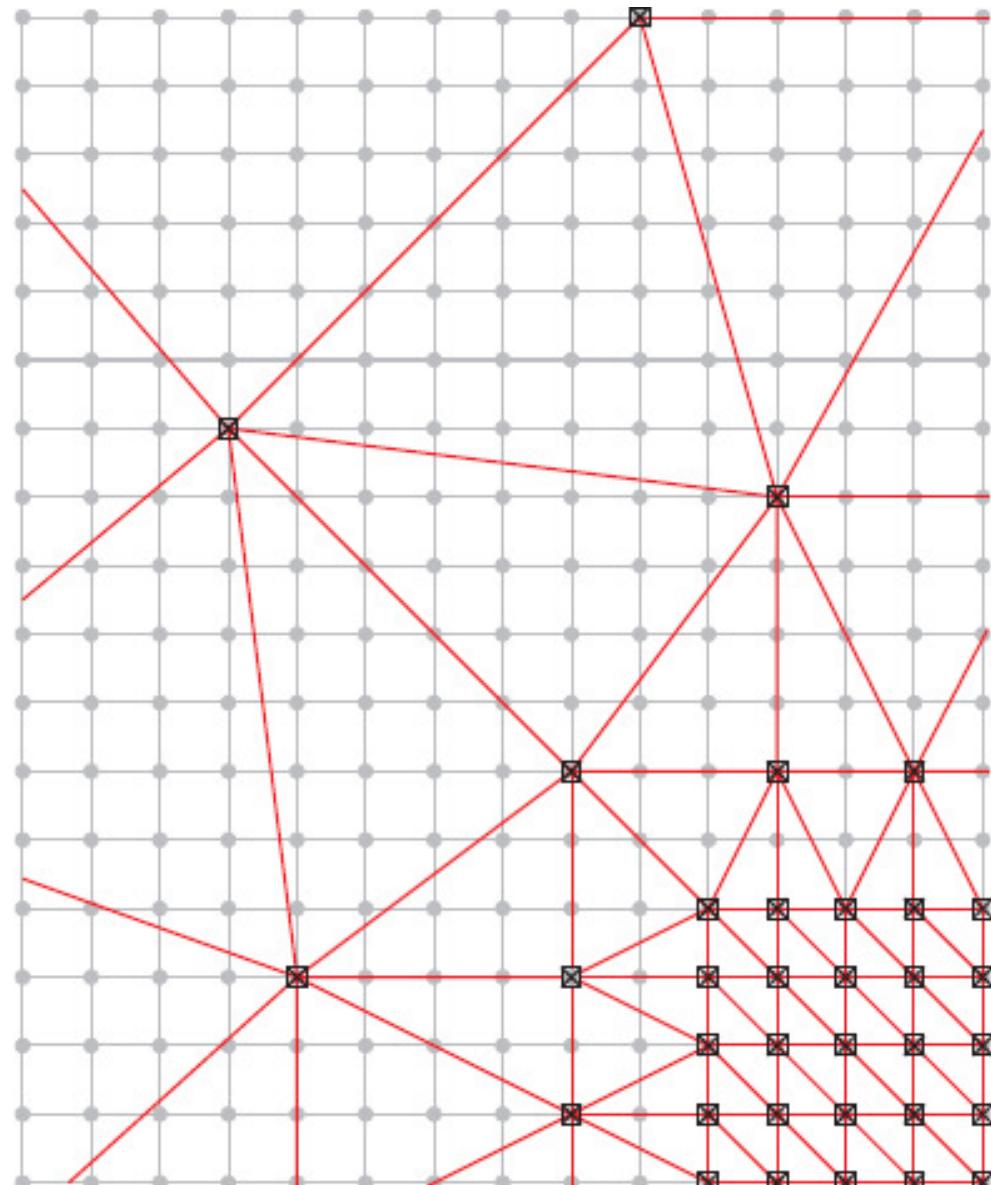
Euler Bernoulli beams:

- Hermite interpolation in each beam
- nodal displacements
- nodal rotations

Beam lattices: interpolation



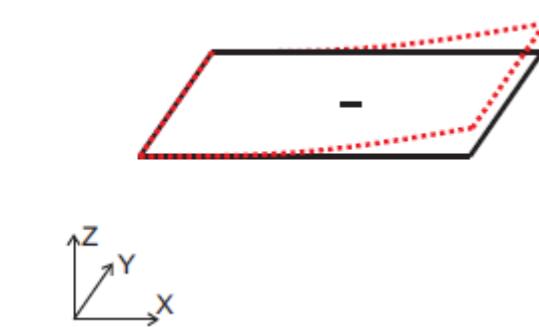
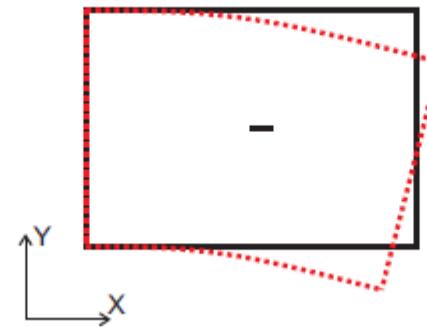
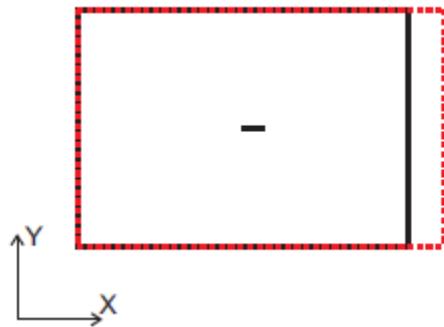
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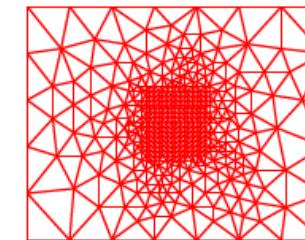
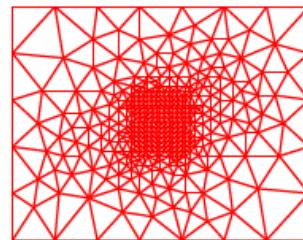
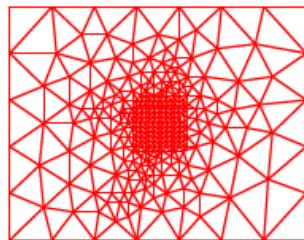
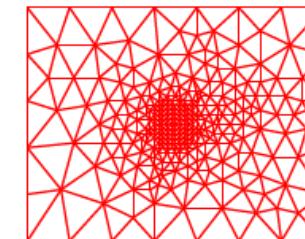
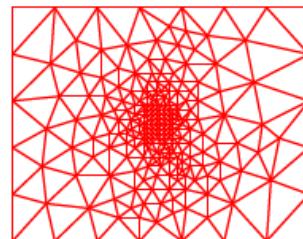
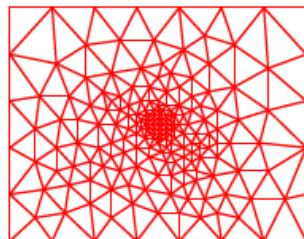
Nodal displacements: Linear
Nodal rotations: Linear
Conforming triangulations

Beam lattices: interpolation

Test cases

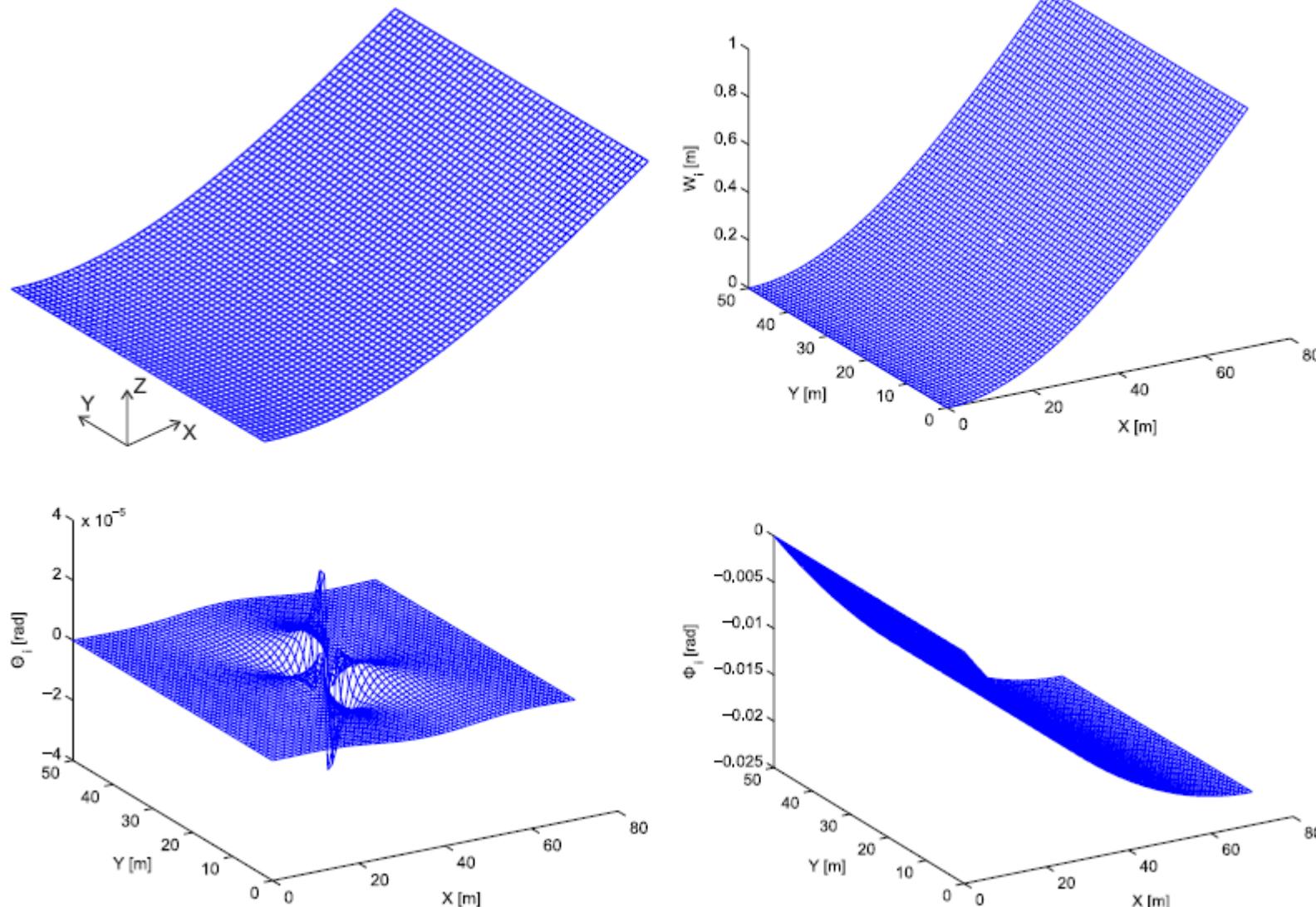


Meshes



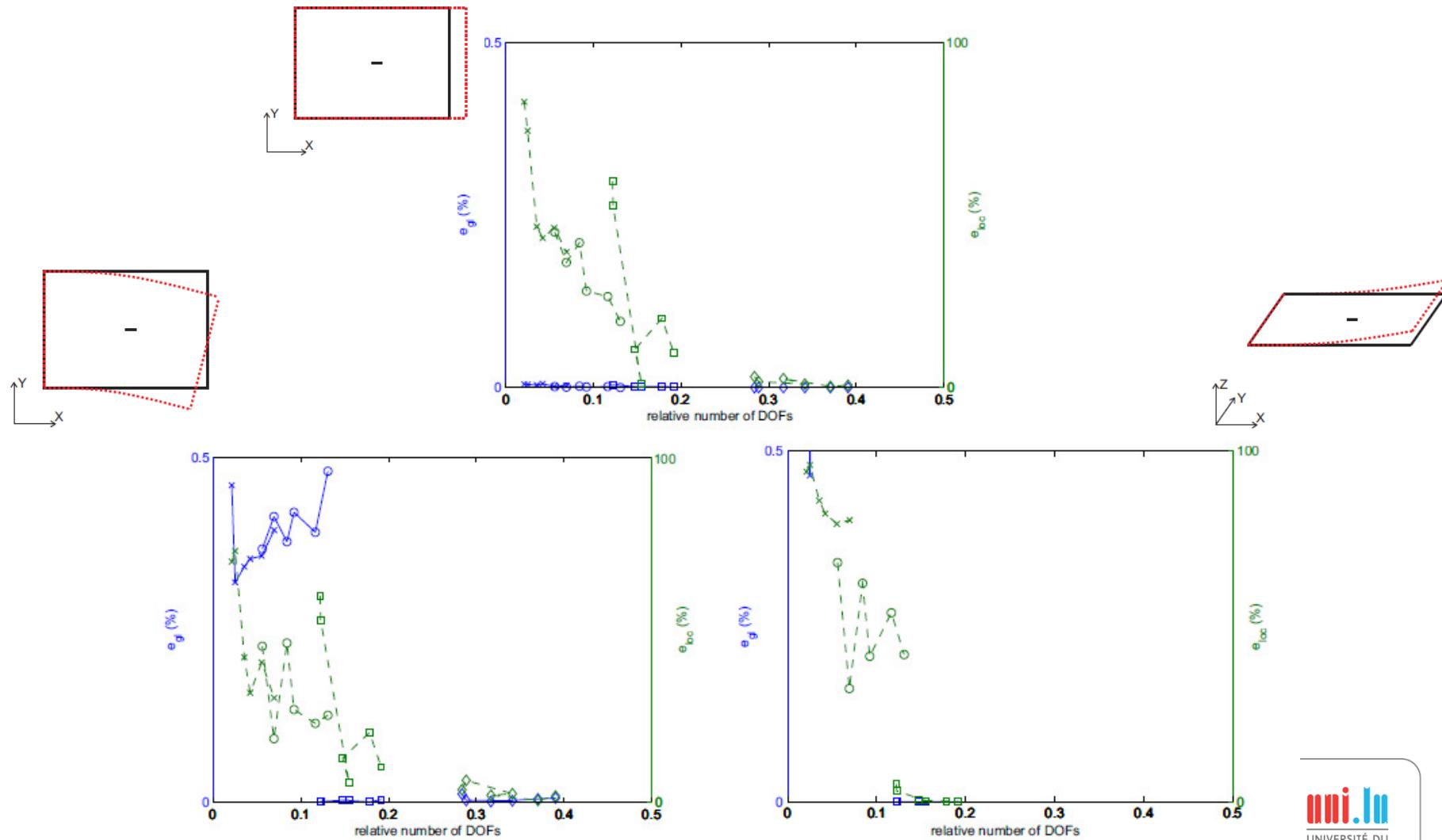
Beam lattices: interpolation

Reference results for case 3: out-of-plane bending

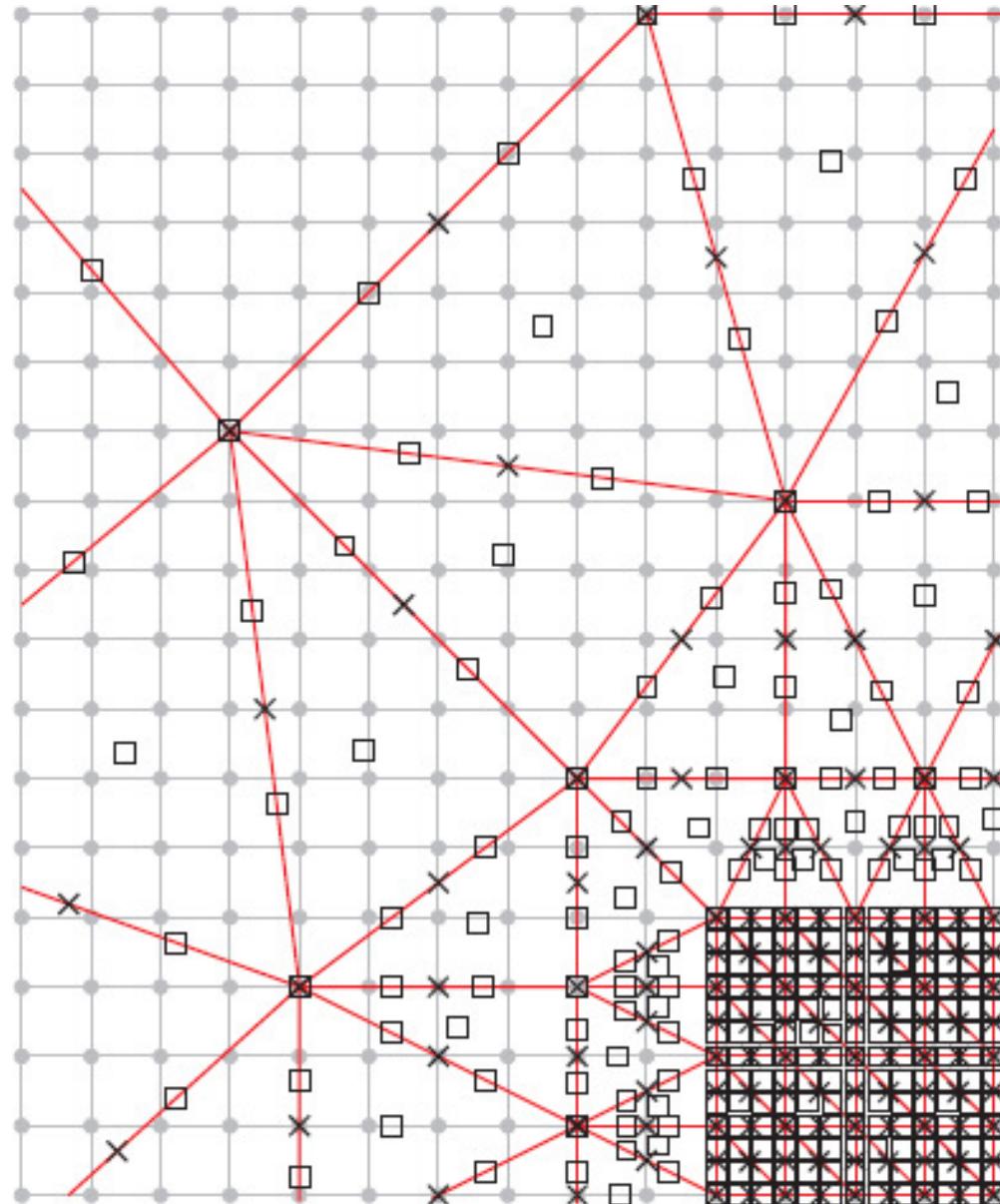


Beam lattices: interpolation

Error: 0



Beam lattices: interpolation

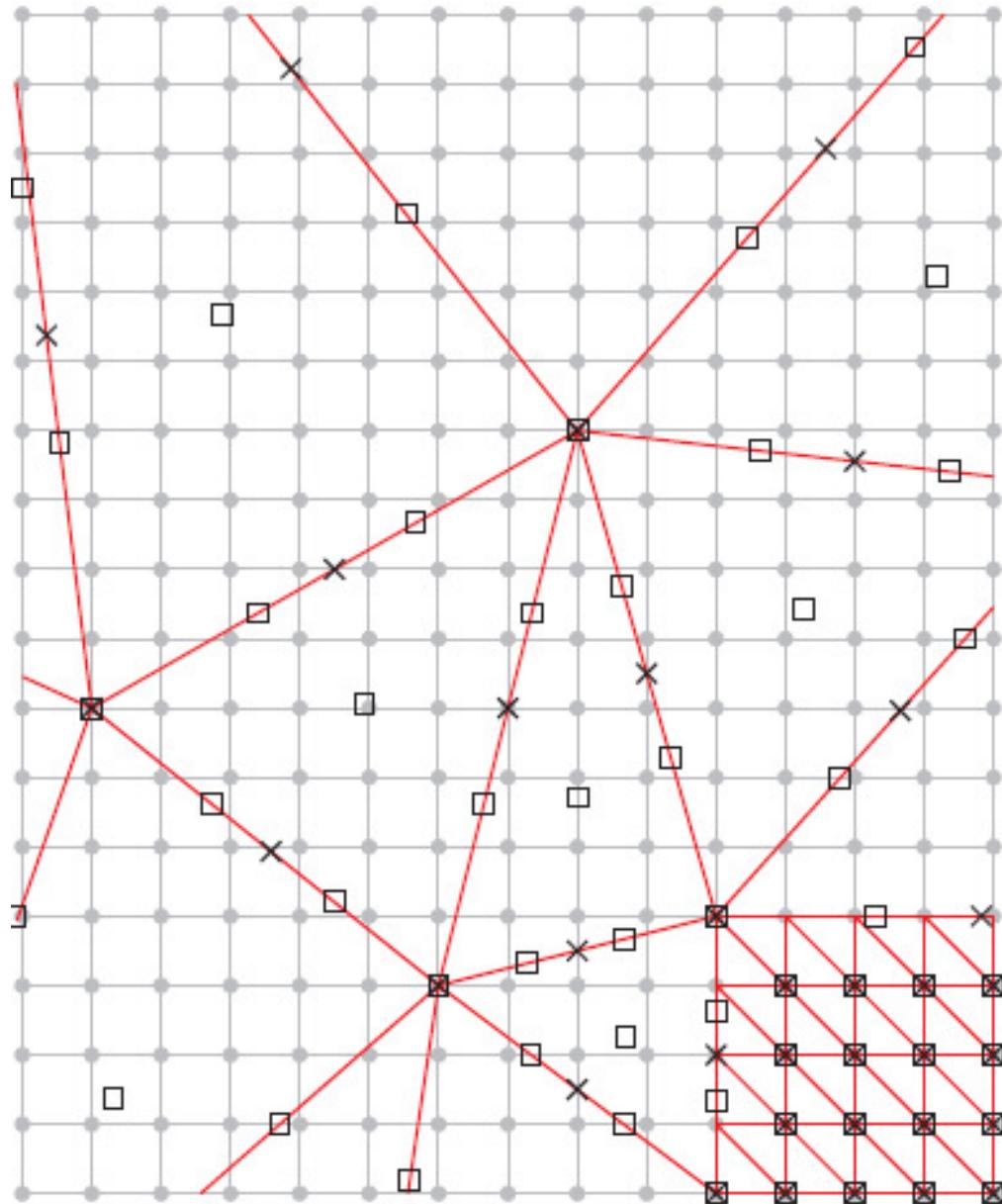


Nodal displacements: Cubic

Nodal rotations: Quadratic

Conforming triangulations

Beam lattices: interpolation



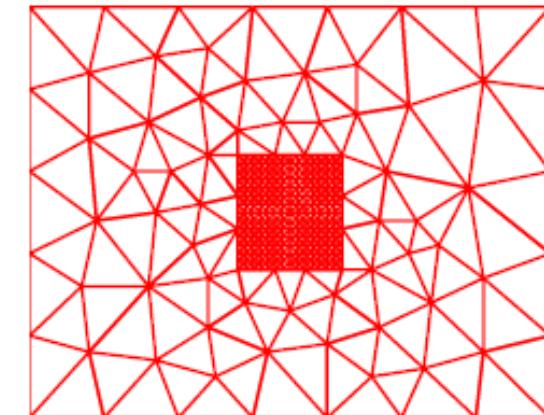
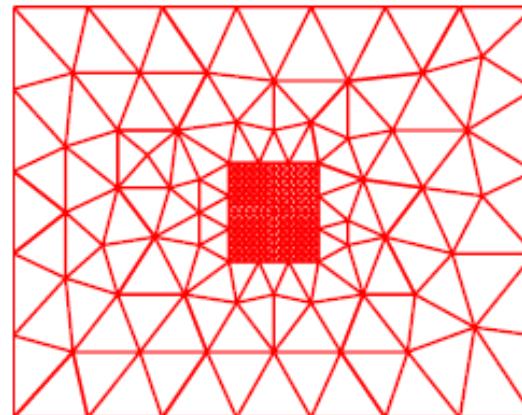
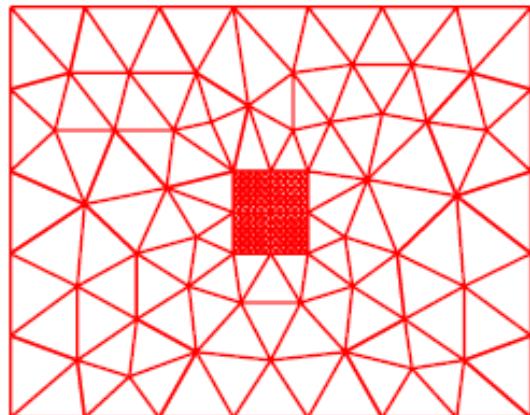
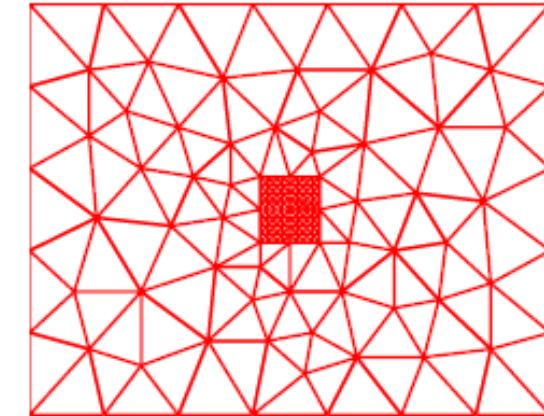
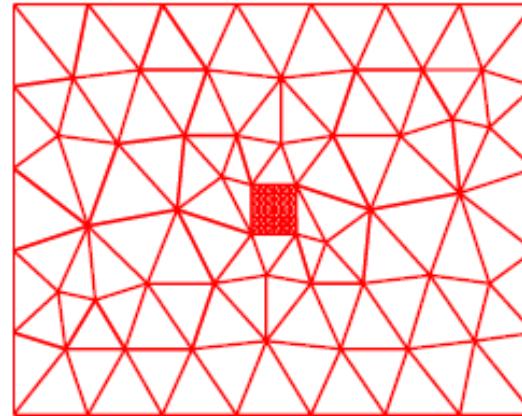
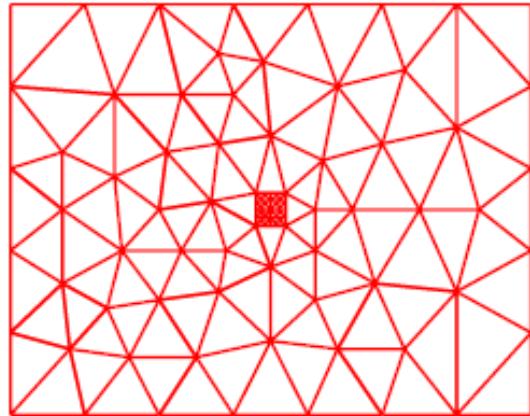
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Non-conforming triangulations

Beam lattices: interpolation

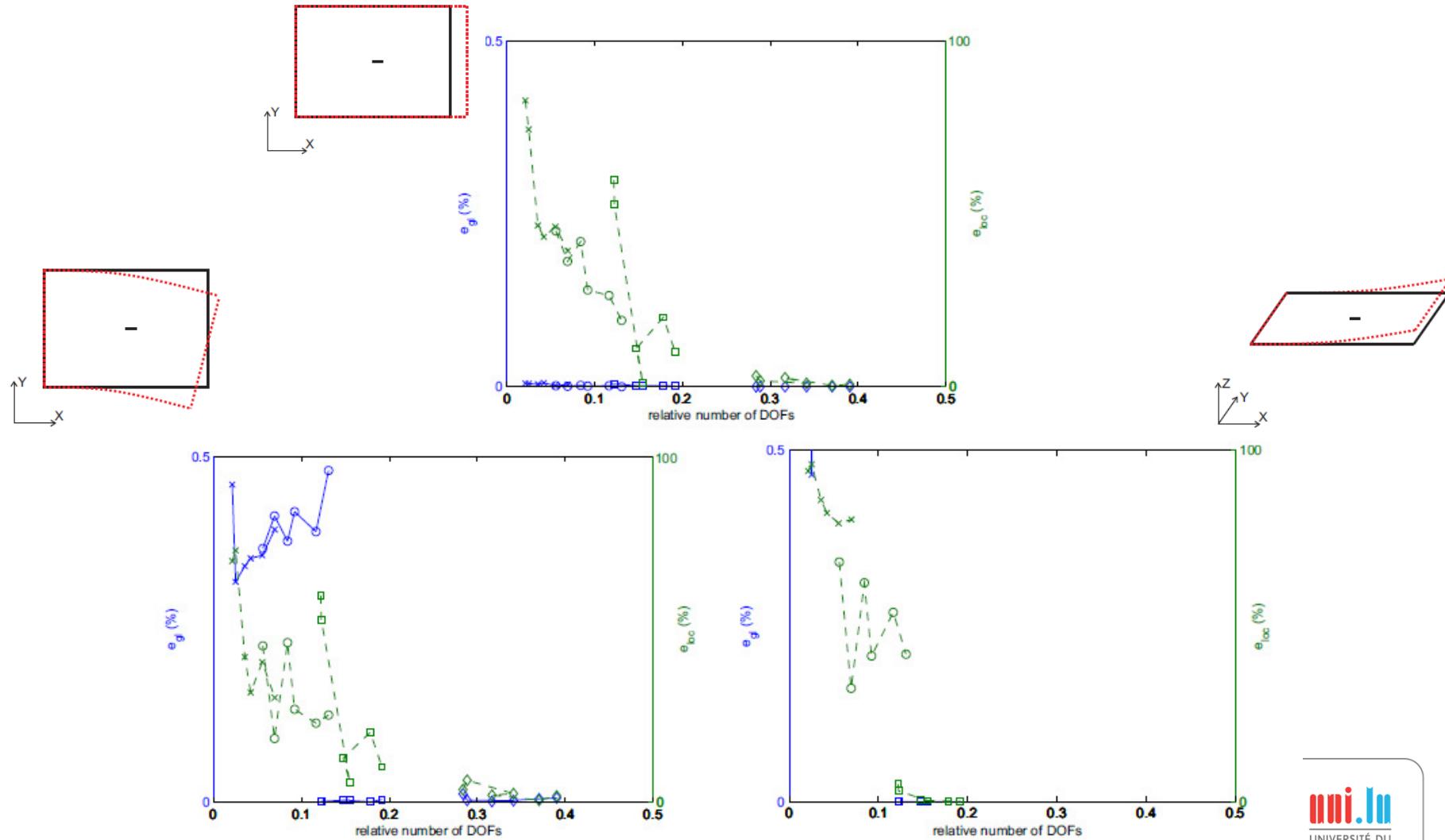
Non-conforming meshes



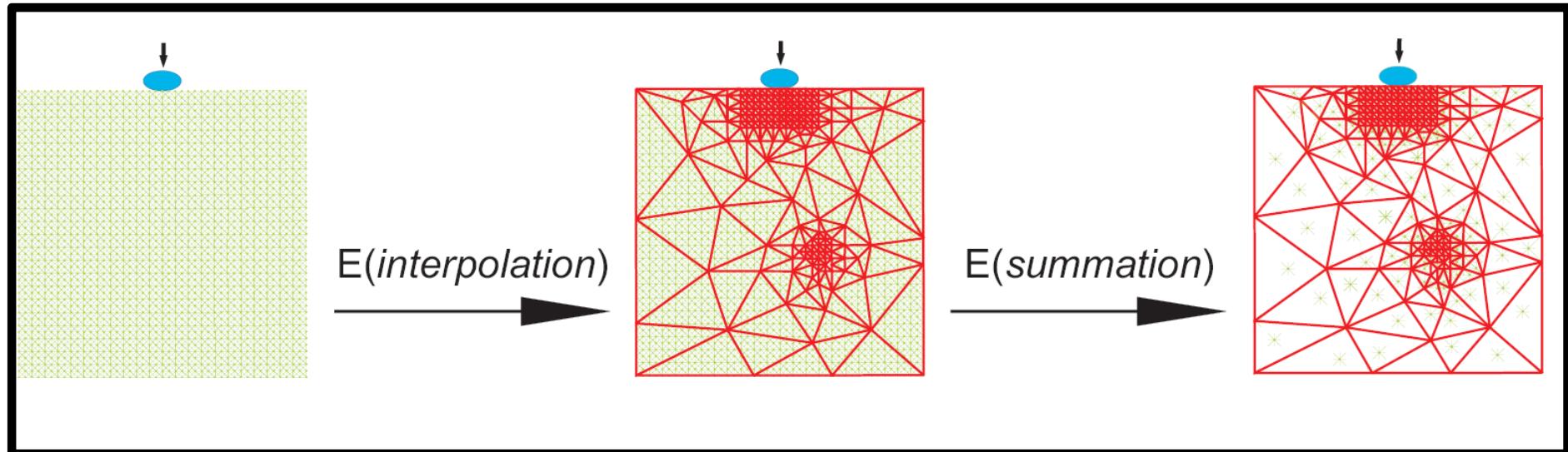
Beam lattices: interpolation

Error conforming: \diamond

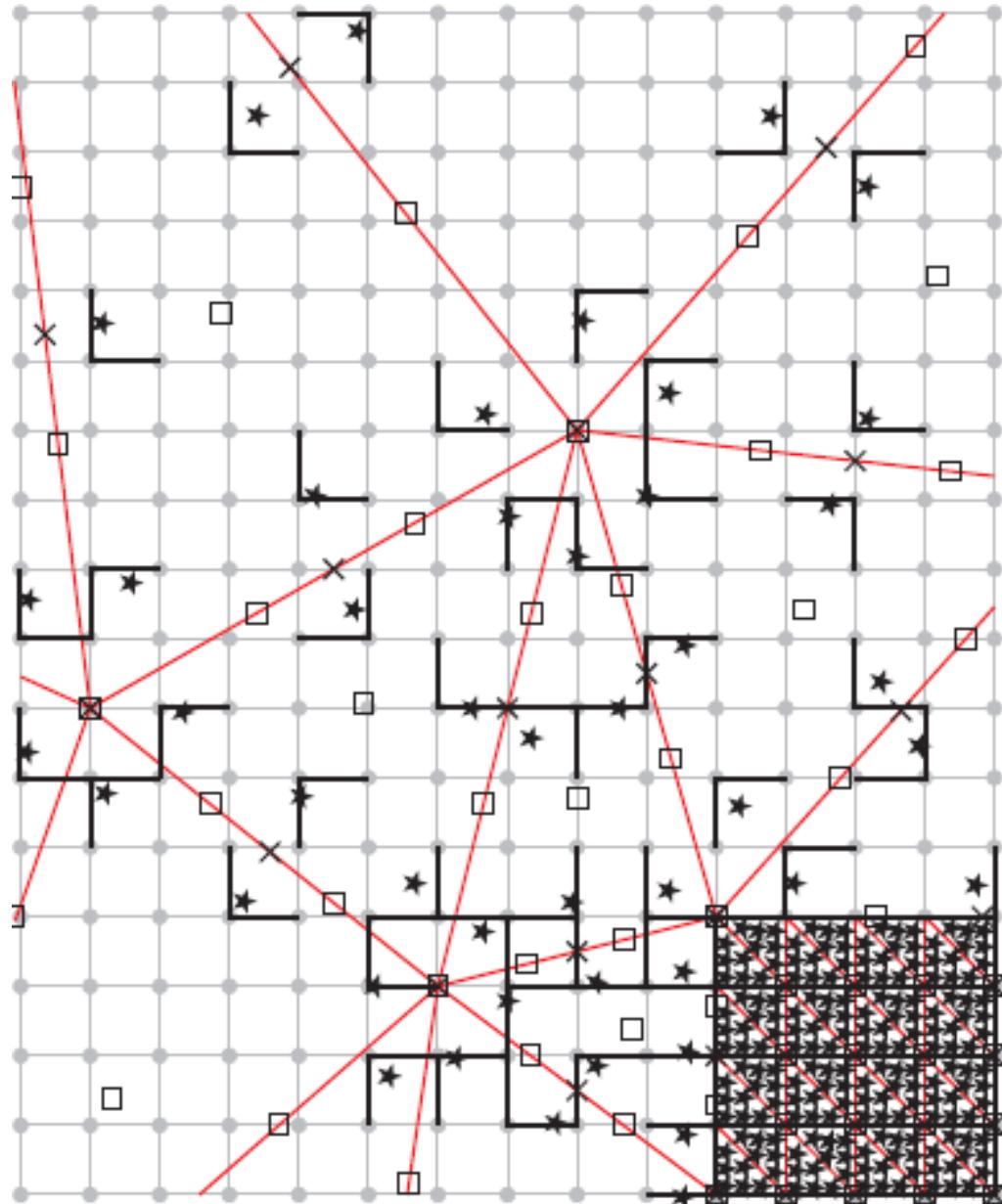
Error non-conforming: \square



Beam lattices: interpolation & summation (full QC)

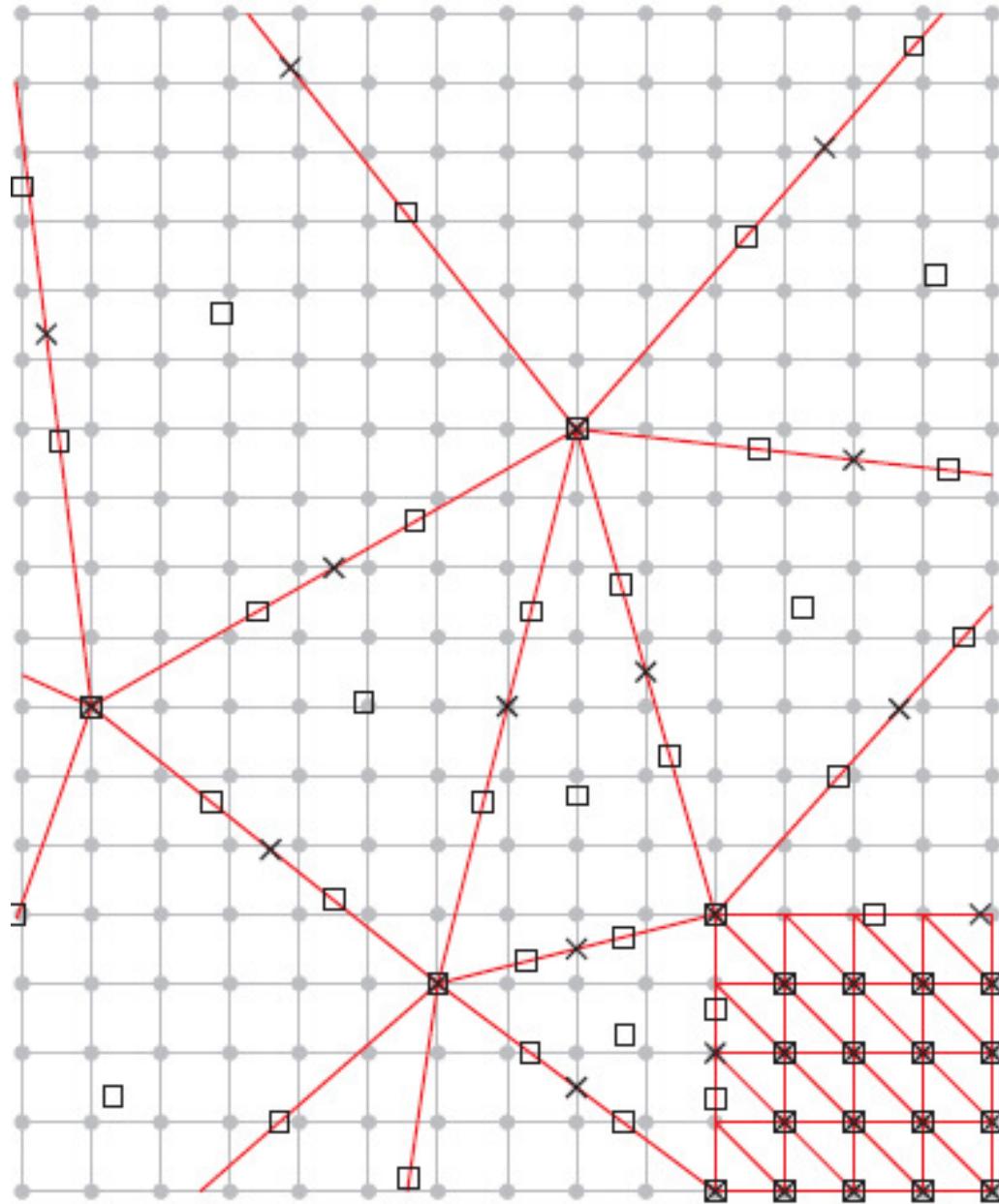


Beam lattices: interpolation & summation (full QC)



Sampling beams near
Gauss points

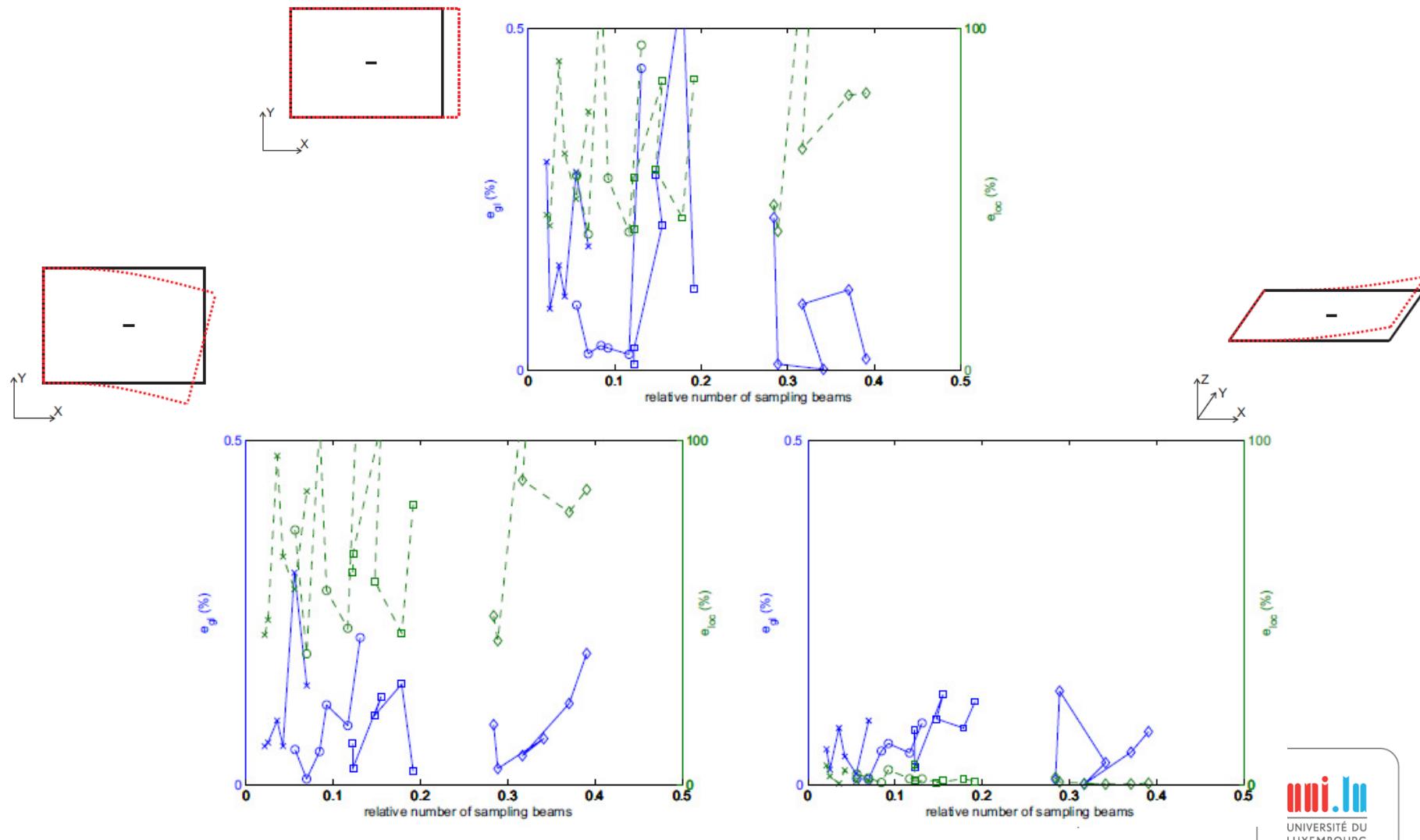
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**4 Gauss points leads to
poor results**

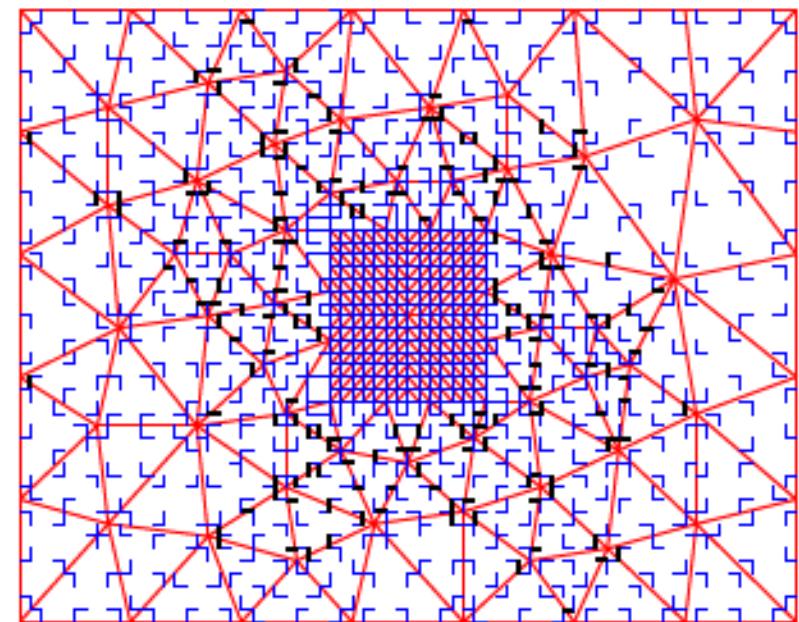
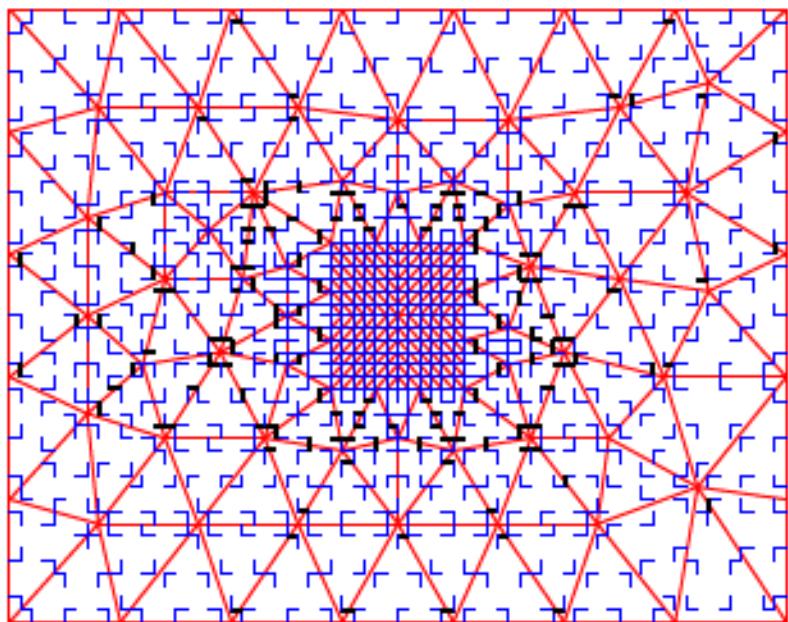
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Error Gauss points: 6 O 7 X 9 ♦ 12 □



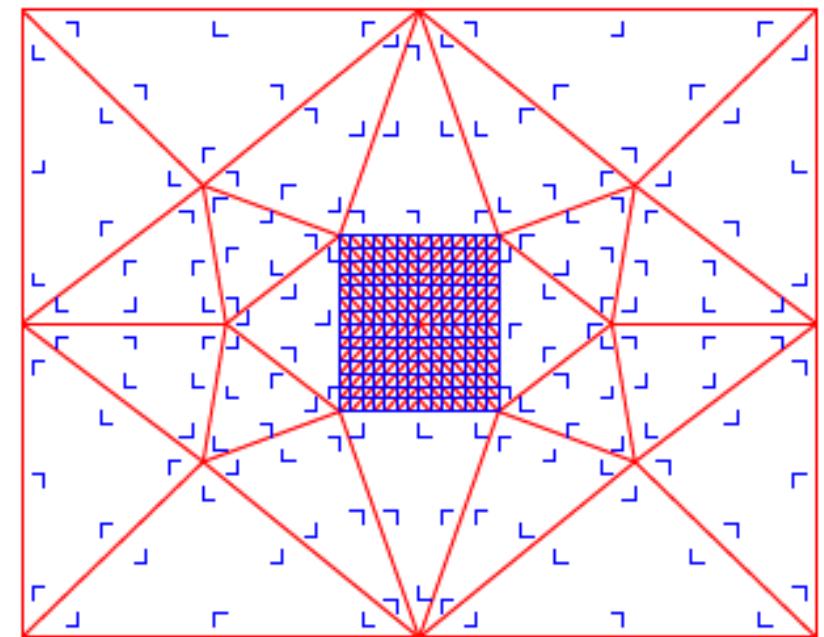
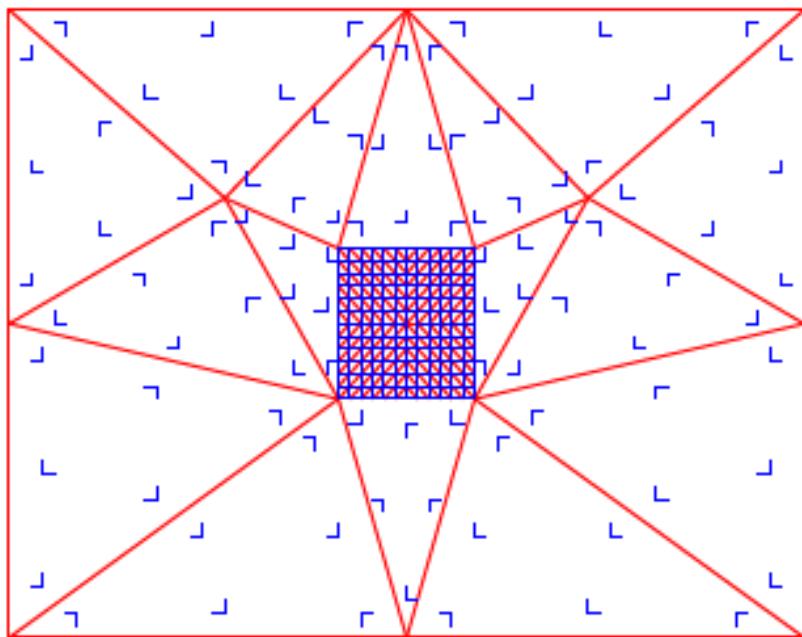
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6 Gauss points is optimal



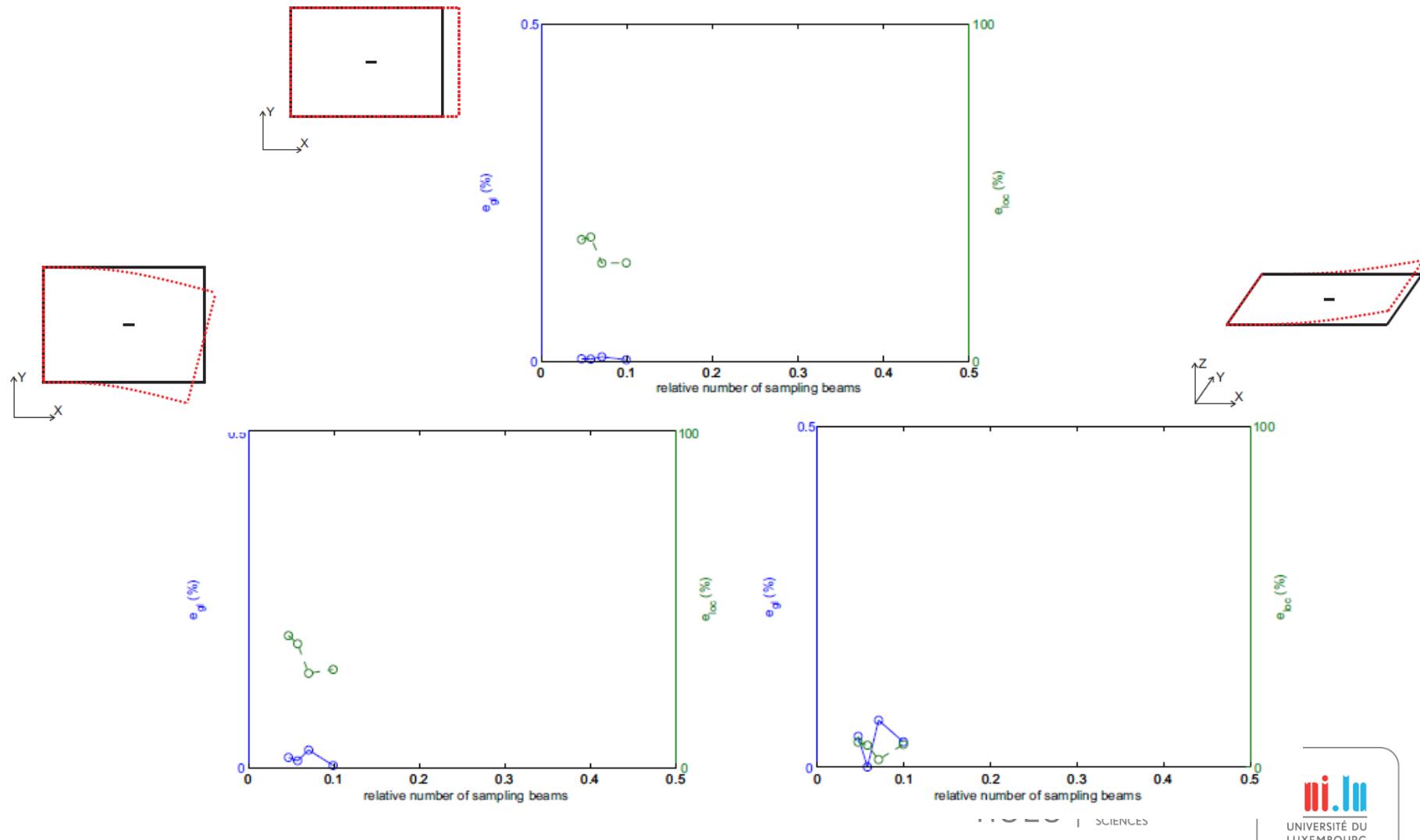
Beam lattices: interpolation & summation (full QC)

6 Gauss points is optimal with large triangles



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6 Gauss points is optimal with large triangles OR

*LOCAL shape function evaluation is
in progress*

QC methodologies for beam lattices

Most accurate:

- Nodal displacements: Cubic
- Nodal rotations: Quadratic
- Non-conforming triangulations
- Sampling beam selection near 6 Gauss points
- Large triangles OR local shape function evaluation

Future research

- **Irregularity**
- **Adaptivity**
- **Fracture**
- **Applications:**
 - 1. Collagen networks**
 - 2. Networks with matrix material**
 - 3. CNT sheets/graphene sheets**
 - 4. Nanofibers by electrospinning**
 - 5.**