

A model order reduction technique for speeding up computational homogenisation

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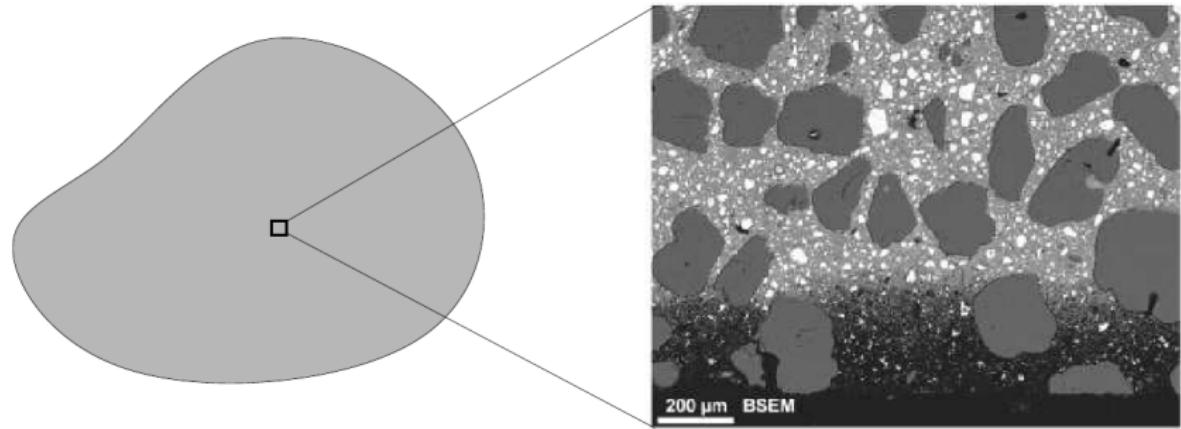
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Heterogeneous materials

Many natural or engineered materials are **heterogeneous**



- ▶ Homogeneous at the macroscopic length scale
- ▶ Heterogeneous at the microscopic length scale

Heterogeneous materials

Need to model the macro-structure while taking the micro-structures into account

⇒ better understanding of material behaviour, design, etc..

Two choices:

- ▶ Direct numerical simulation: brute force!
- ▶ Multiscale methods: when modelling a non-linear materials
⇒ Computational Homogenisation

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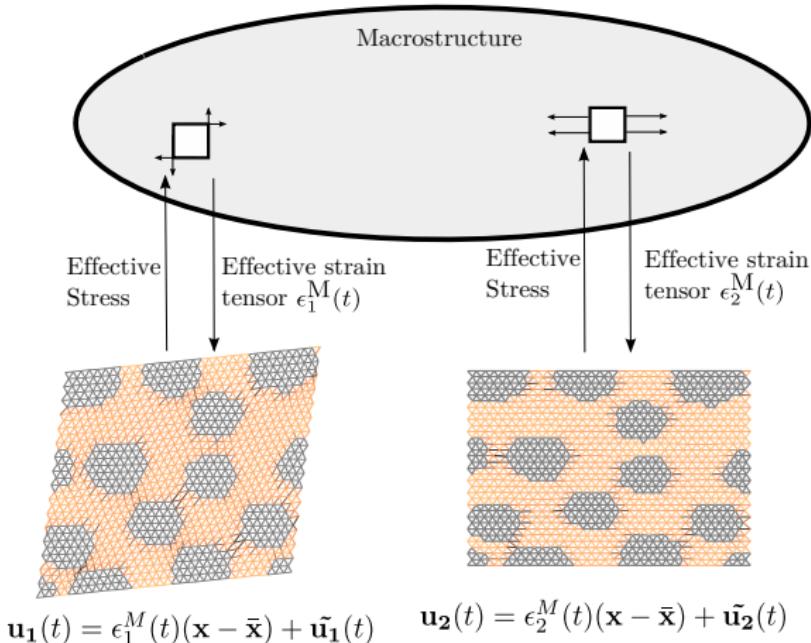
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Semi-concurrent Computational Homogenisation (FE², ...)



Problem

- ▶ For non-linear materials: Have to solve a RVE boundary value problem at each point of the macro-mesh where it is needed. Still expensive!
- ▶ Need parallel programming

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Strategy

- ▶ Use model order reduction to make the solving of the RVE boundary value problems computationally achievable
- ▶ Linear displacement:

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^M(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{xx}(t) & \epsilon_{xy}(t) \\ \epsilon_{xy}(t) & \epsilon_{yy}(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{u}(t) = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^M(t)(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) + \tilde{\mathbf{u}} \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{u}}|_{\Gamma} = \mathbf{0}$$

Fluctuation $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}$ approximated by: $\tilde{\mathbf{u}} \approx \sum_i \phi_i \alpha_i$

Projection-based model order reduction

The RVE problem can be written:

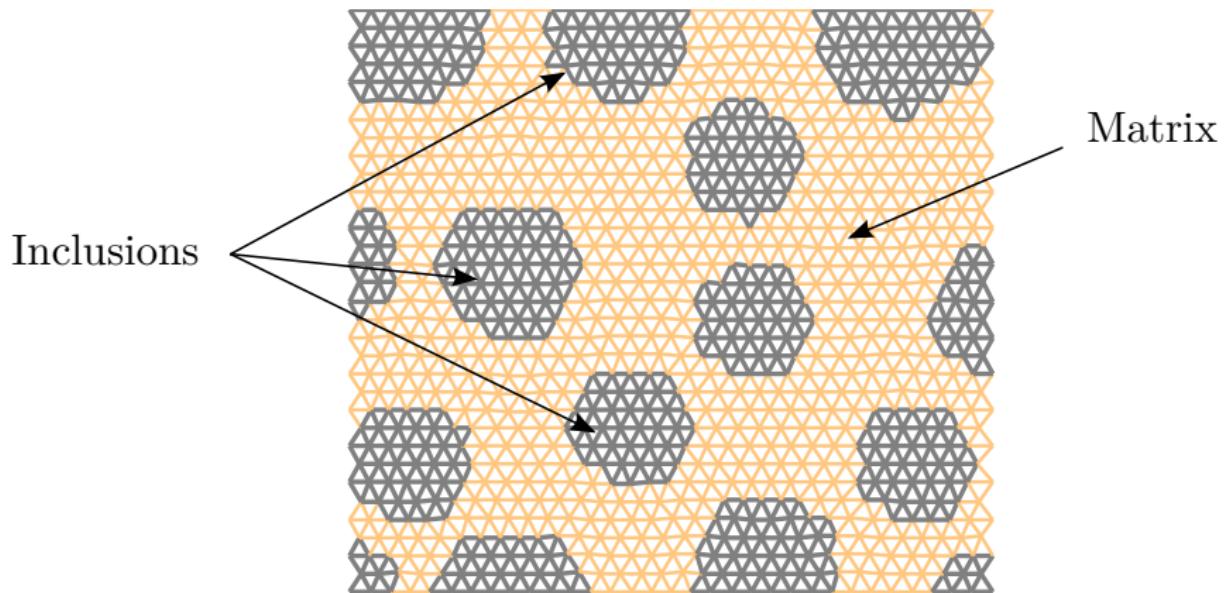
$$\underbrace{\mathbf{F}_{\text{int}}(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}(\epsilon^M(t)), \epsilon^M(t)) + \mathbf{F}_{\text{ext}}(\epsilon^M(t))}_{\text{Non-linear}} = \mathbf{0} \quad (1)$$

We are interested in the solution $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}(\epsilon^M)$ for many different values of $\epsilon^M(t \in [0, T]) \equiv \epsilon_{xx}, \epsilon_{xy}, \epsilon_{yy}$.

Projection-based model order reduction assumption:

Solutions $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}(\epsilon^M)$ for different parameters ϵ^M are contained in a space of small dimension $\text{span}((\phi_i)_{i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket})$

RVE boundary value problem



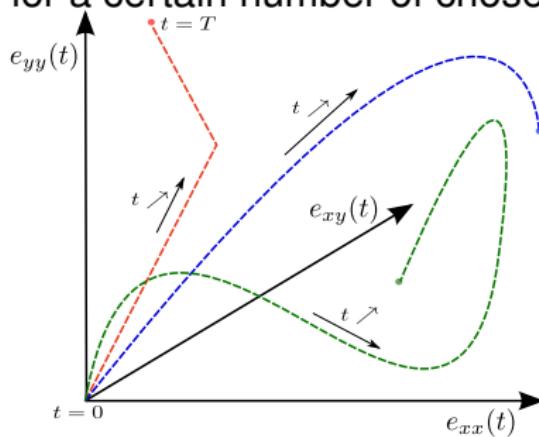
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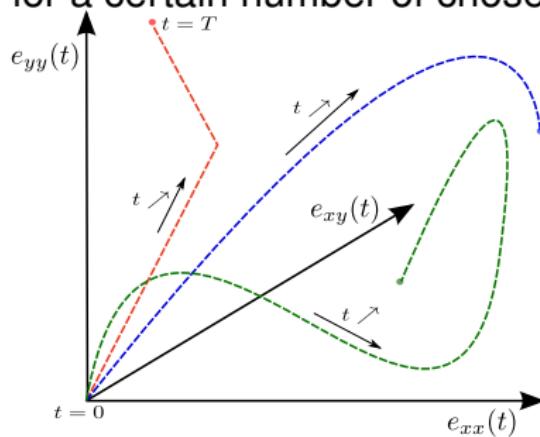
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- ▶ We obtain a base of solutions (the snapshot):
 $(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{n_S}) = \mathbf{S}$

- ▶ Find the basis $[\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots] = \Phi$ that minimises the cost function:

$$J(\Phi) = \sum_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}^s} \left\| \mathbf{u}_i - \sum_k^{n_{\text{POD}}} \phi_k \cdot \langle \phi_k, \mathbf{u}_i \rangle \right\|^2 \quad (2)$$

with the constraint $\langle \phi_i, \phi_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$

- ▶ Use SVD (Singular Value Decomposition)

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- ▶ That's it! In the online stage, this much smaller system will be solved.

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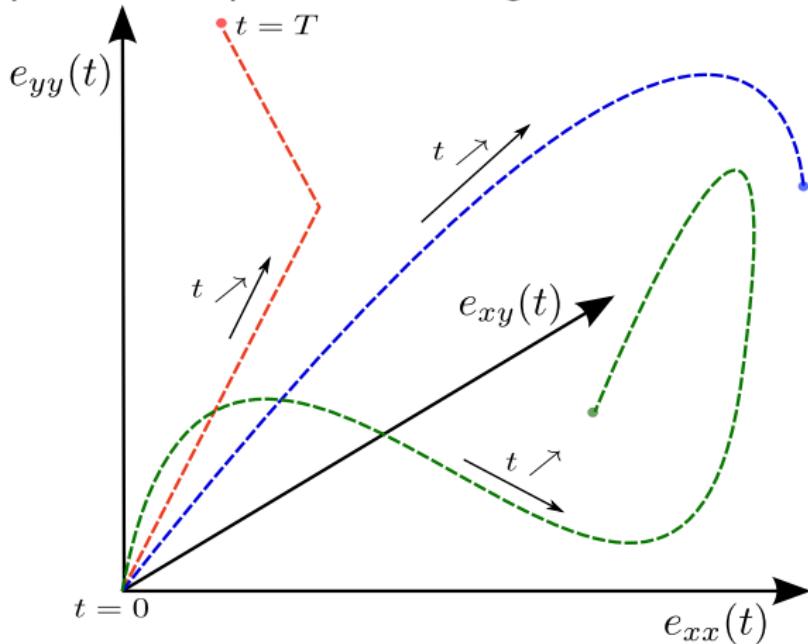
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Arbitrary sampling unsatisfactory

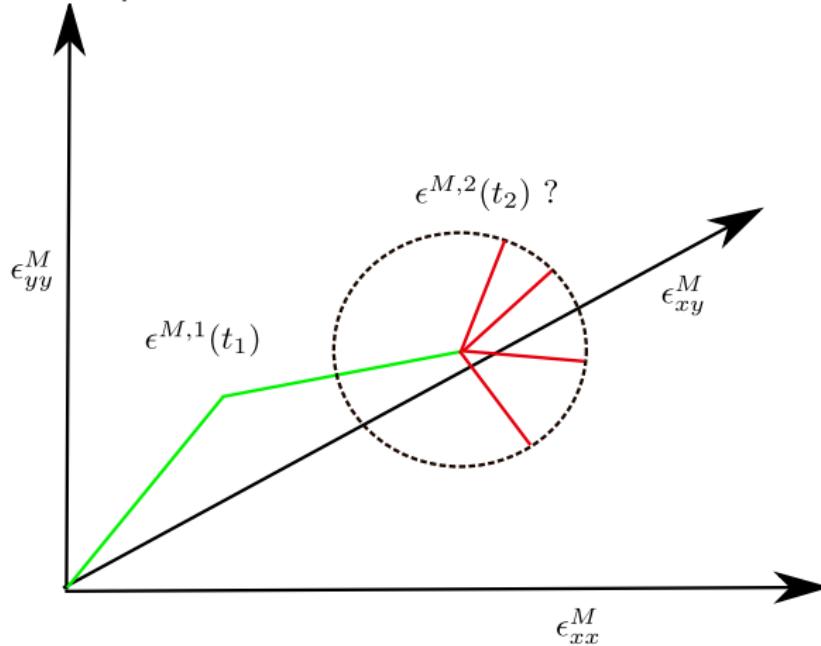
Problem: parameter space is **HUGE**!

No guarantee that the arbitrary sampling "explores" the parameter space well enough



Load of worst prediction

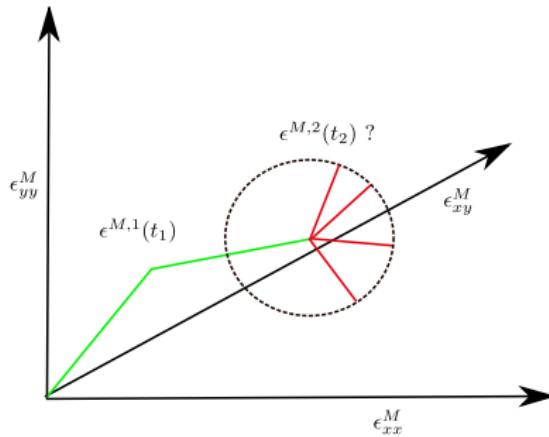
Rather than an arbitrary sampling, iteratively add the path of worst prediction:



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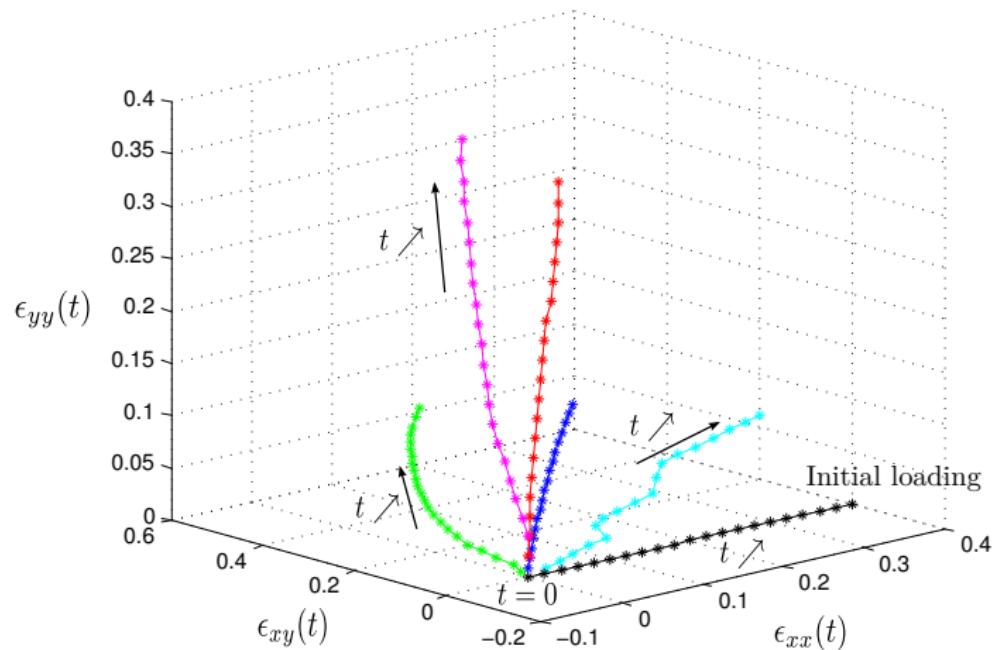
find the step increment $\Delta\epsilon^i$ that maximises:

$$\|u_{\text{exact}}(t_i, \epsilon(t_i) + \Delta\epsilon^i) - u_{\text{approx}}(t_i, \epsilon(t_i) + \Delta\epsilon^i)\|$$



$$\epsilon(t_{i+1}) = \epsilon(t_i) + \Delta\epsilon_{\max}^i$$

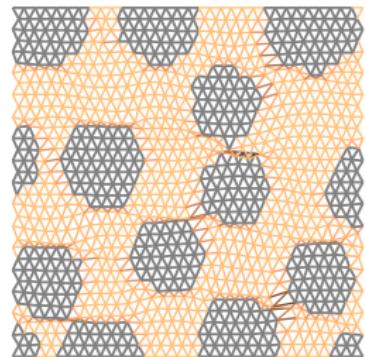
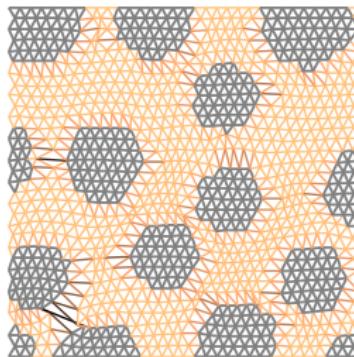
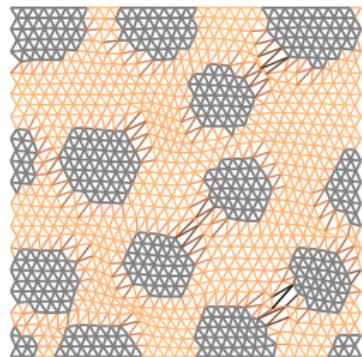
First paths generated

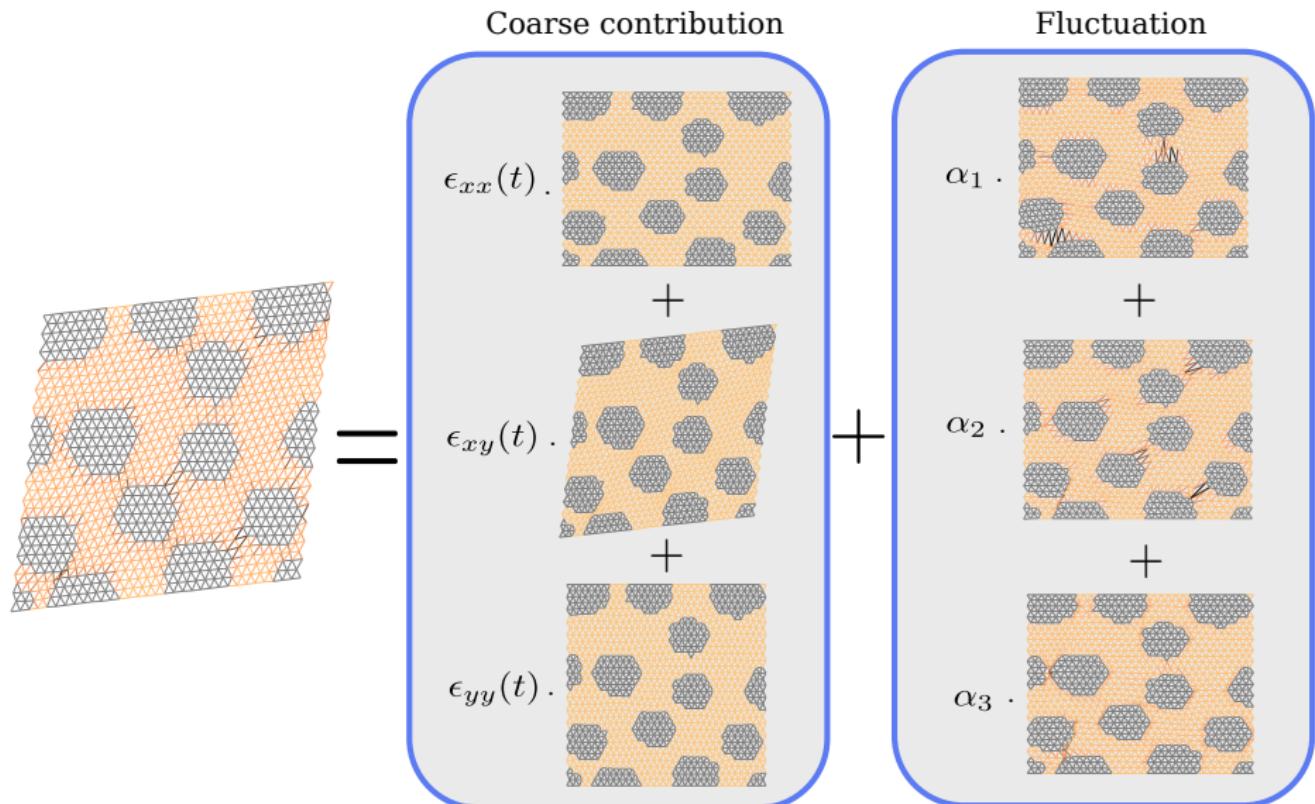


Example

Snapshot selection using the load of worst prediction algorithm
(36 load paths generated)

First 3 modes:





Is that good enough?

- ▶ Speed-up actually poor
- ▶ Equation “ $\Phi^T K \Phi \alpha + \Phi^T F_{\text{ext}} = 0$ ” quicker to solve but $\Phi^T K \Phi$ still expensive to evaluate
- ▶ Need to do something more \implies system approximation

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- ▶ Reconstruct the operators using a second POD basis representing the internal forces

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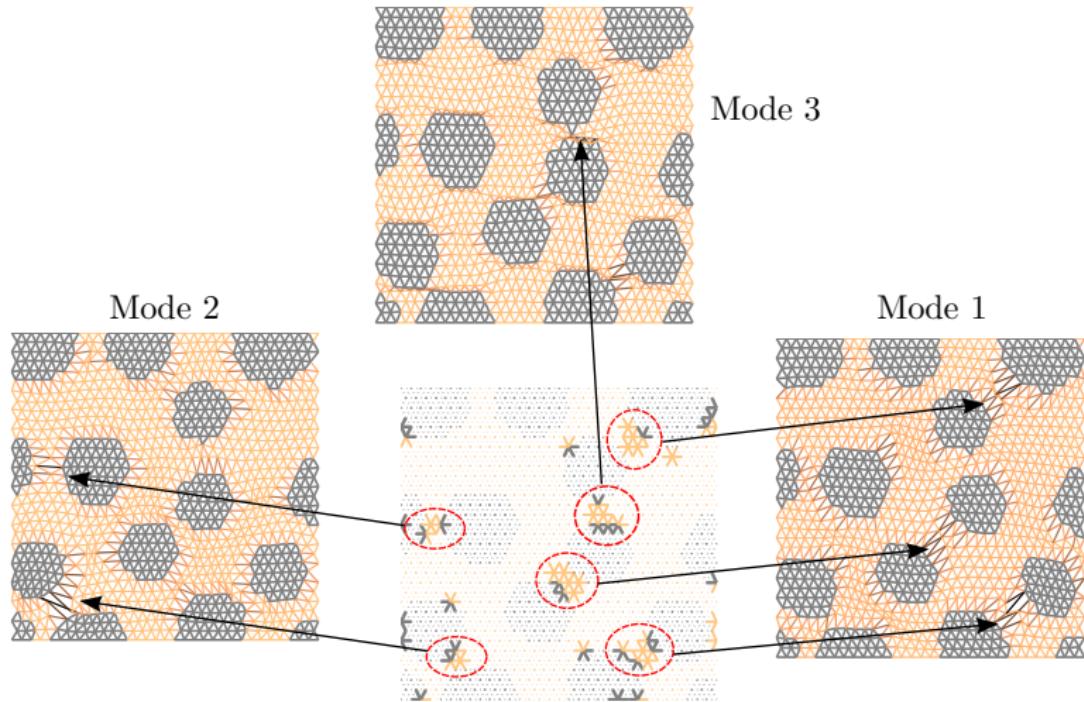
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- ▶ Selection of the controlled elements using DEIM

Controlled elements locations



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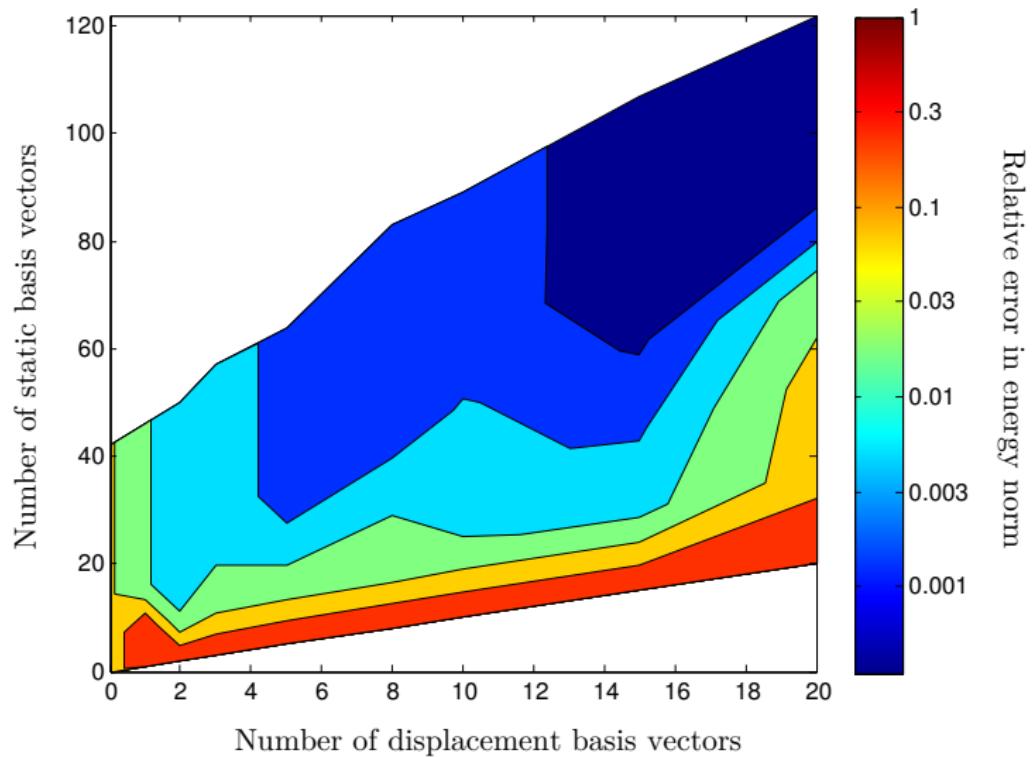
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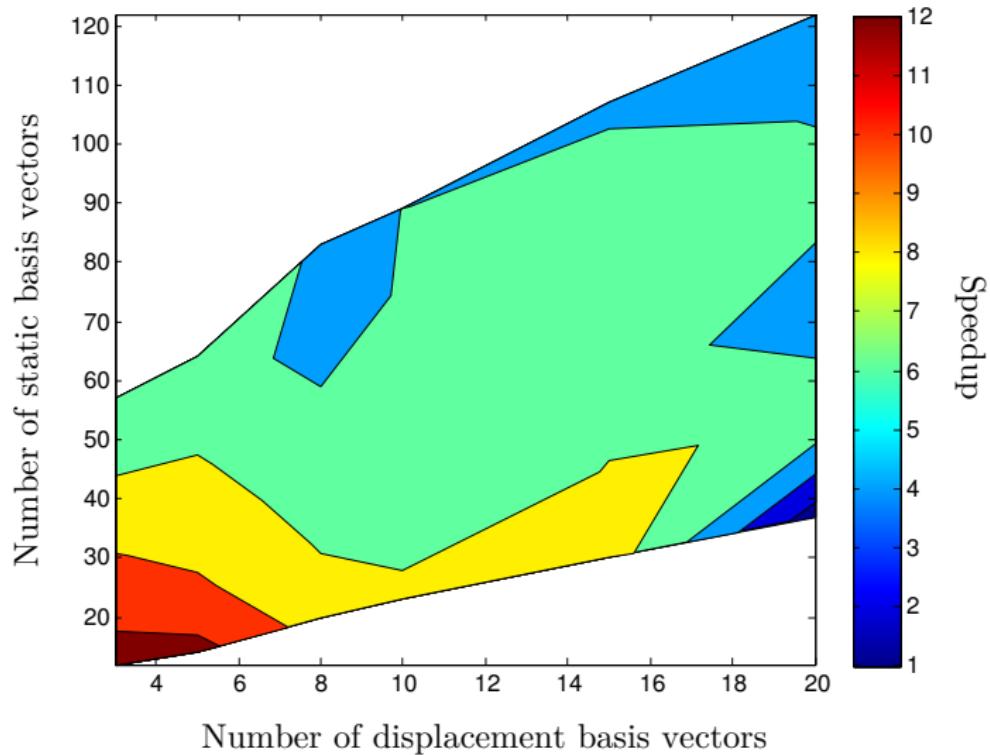
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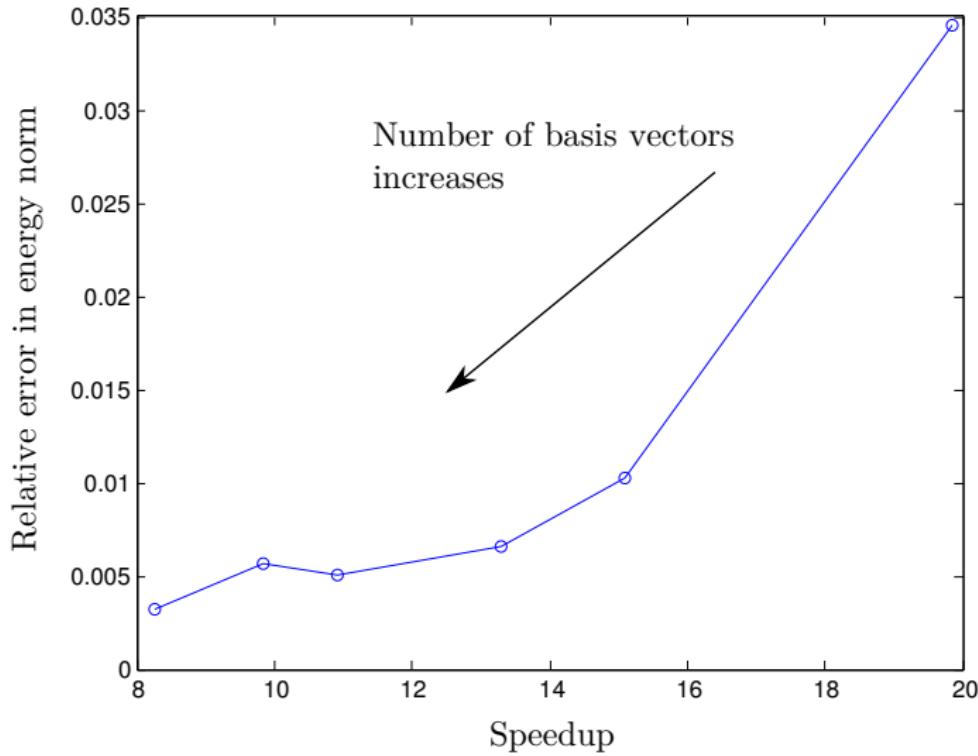
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- ▶ Model order reduction can be used to solved the RVE problem faster and with a reasonable accuracy
- ▶ An efficient snapshot selection algorithm can be developed when dealing with time-dependent parameters
- ▶ The controlled elements generated by the DEIM algorithm lie where damage is high
- ▶ Can be thought of as a bridge between analytical and computational homogenisation:
the reduced bases are pseudo-analytical solutions of the RVE problem that is still computationally solved at very reduced cost

Thank you for your attention!