

Asymptotic homogenization and optimization of strain-gradient architected materials

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“Architected materials designed with higher-order homogenization”

► Scientific objectives:

- Derive a predictive homogenization scheme capturing strain-gradient elasto-static effective behavior
- Generate new microstructures from topology optimization
- Validate the non-standard behavior from experiments

► Partners:



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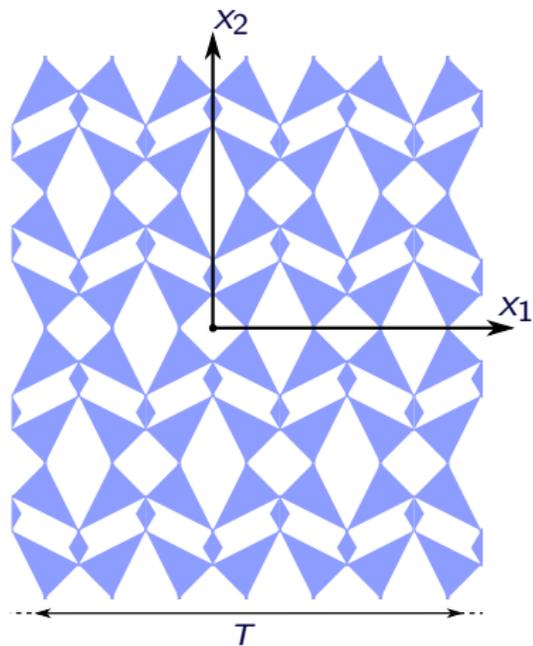
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Asymptotic expansion + infinite contrast?

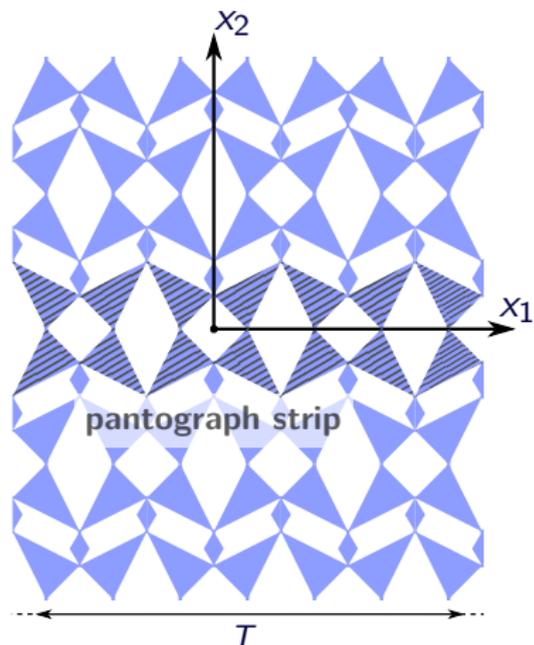
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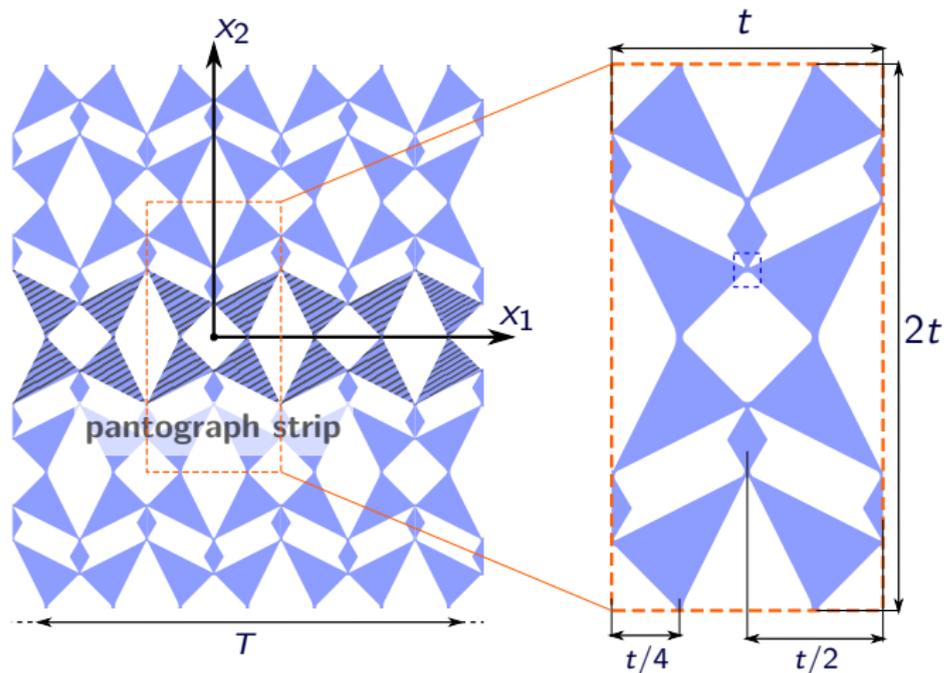
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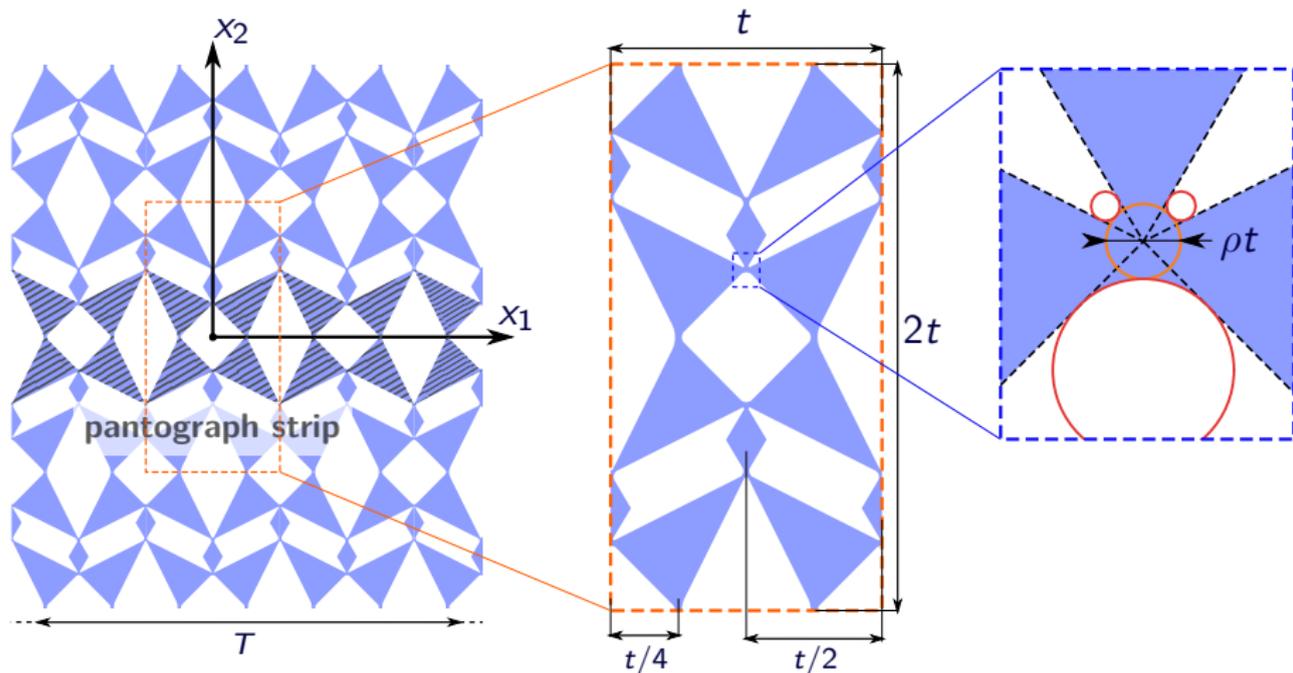


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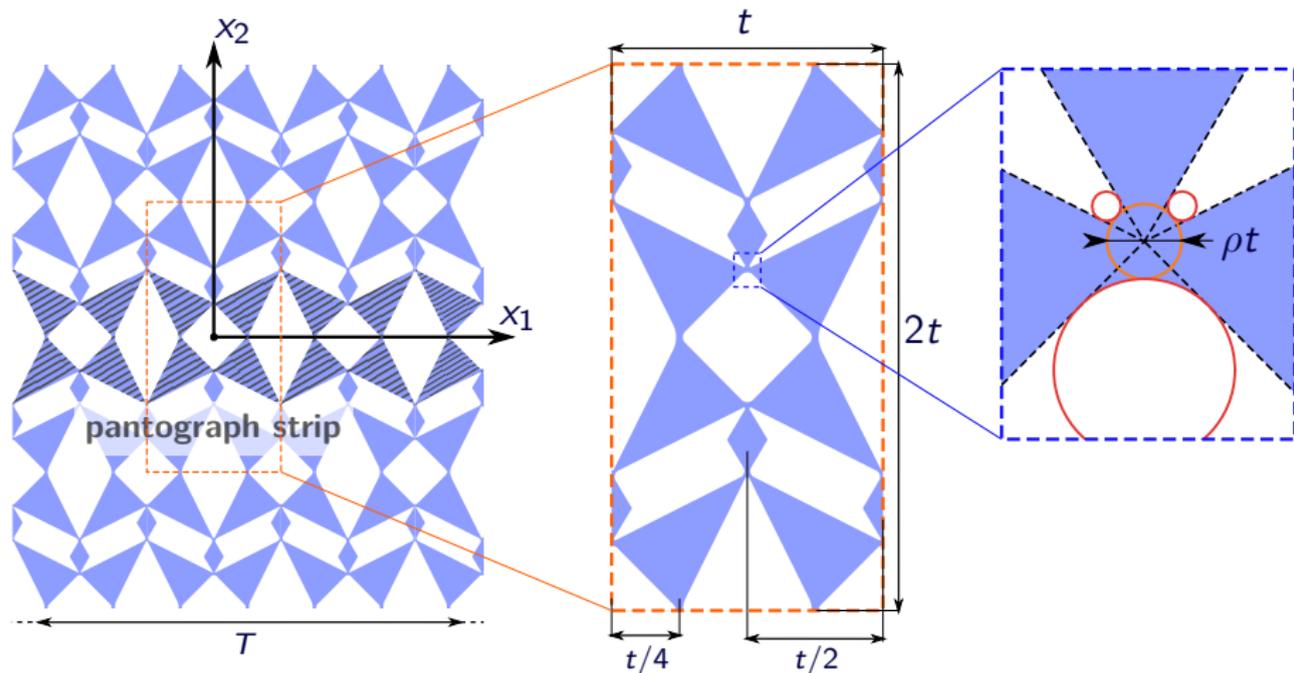
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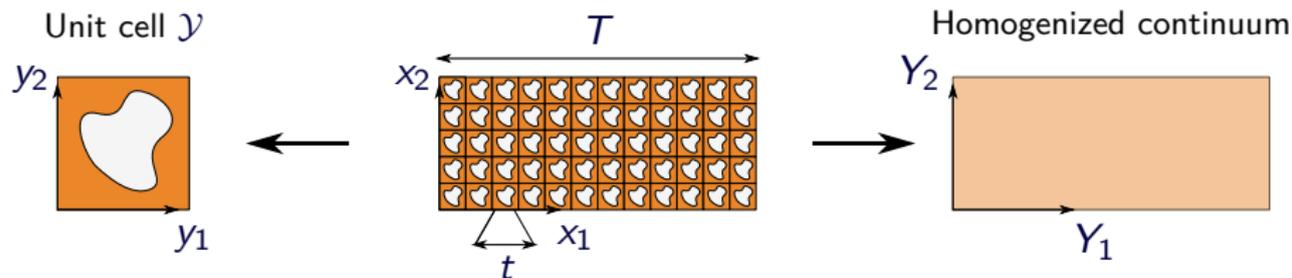
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The two scale asymptotic expansion



$$y_i = \frac{x_i}{t}$$

$$t \ll T$$

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► Scale ratio: $\eta = \frac{t}{T} \ll 1$

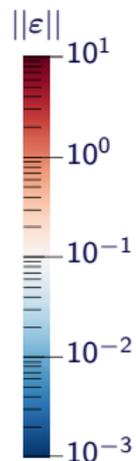
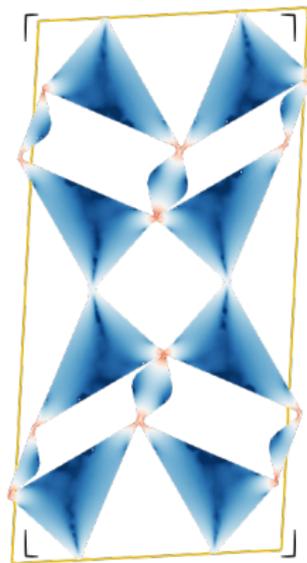
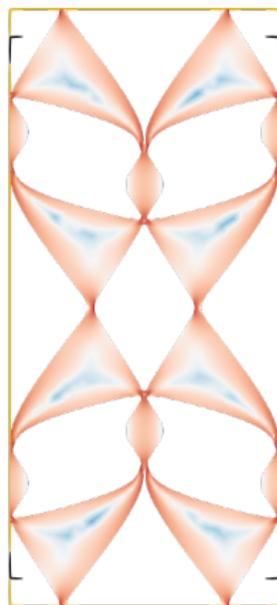
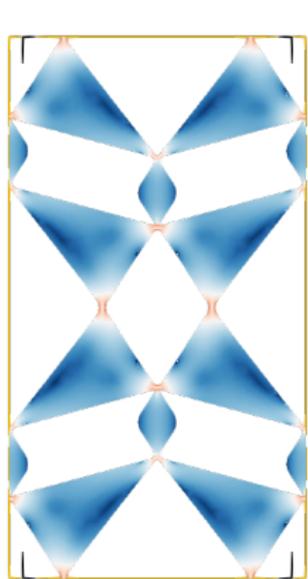
► Expansion: $\underline{\mathbf{u}}(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) = T \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \eta^p \underline{\mathbf{u}}^p(\underline{\mathbf{Y}}, \underline{\mathbf{y}})$

► Differential operators: $\underline{\nabla}_{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{T} \left(\underline{\nabla}_{\mathbf{Y}} + \frac{1}{\eta} \underline{\nabla}_{\mathbf{y}} \right)$

⇒ Series of **unit-cell problems** loaded by: $\underline{\mathbf{U}}(\underline{\mathbf{Y}})$, $\underline{\mathbf{E}}(\underline{\mathbf{Y}})$, $\underline{\mathbf{K}}(\underline{\mathbf{Y}})$...

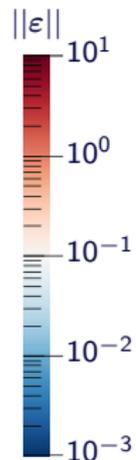
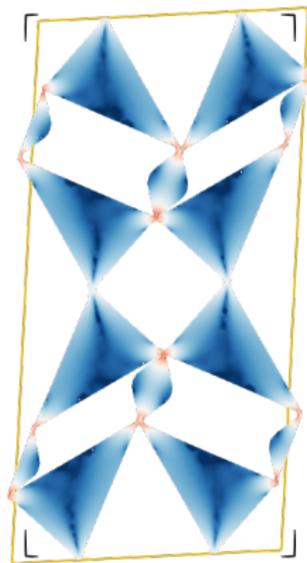
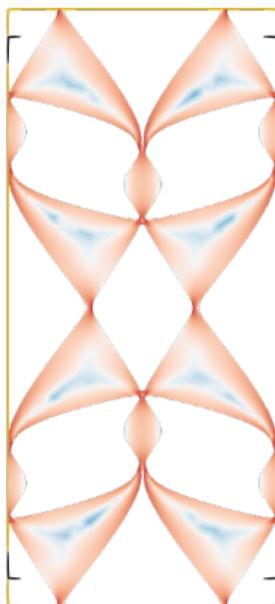
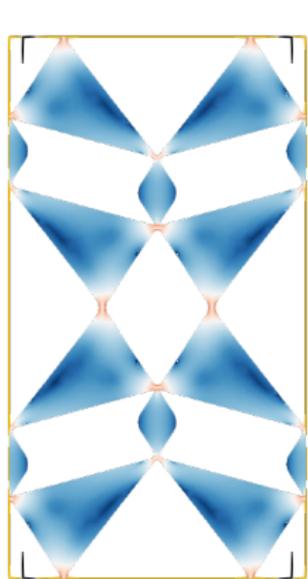
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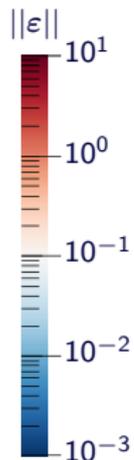
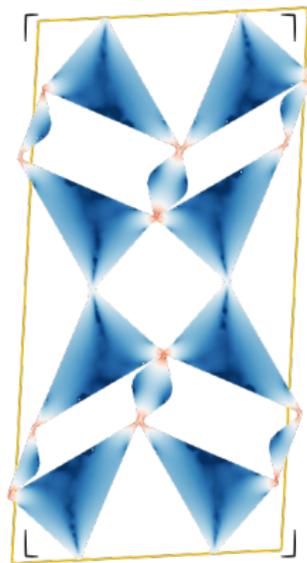
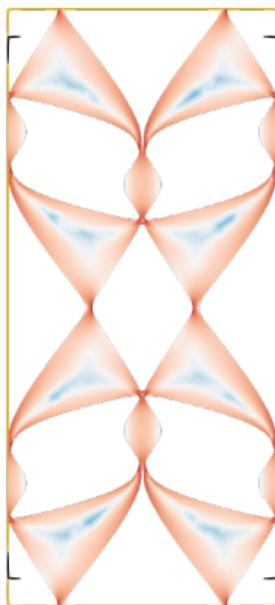
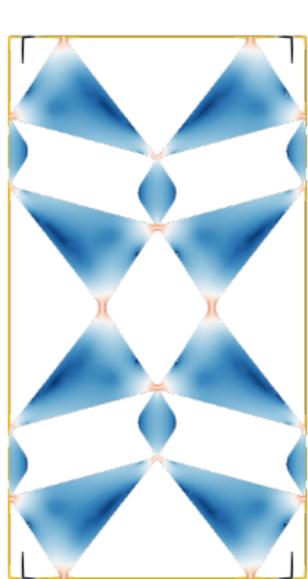
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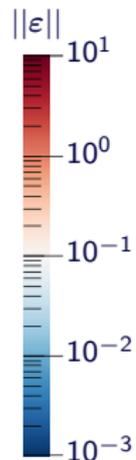
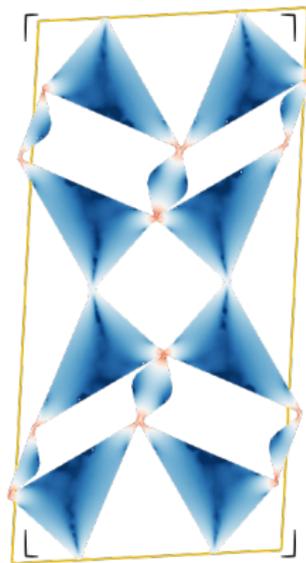
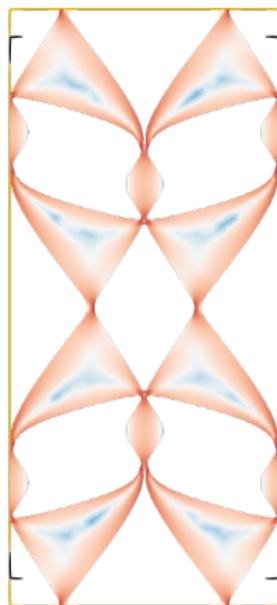
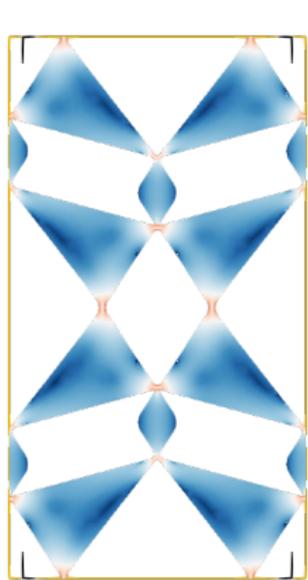
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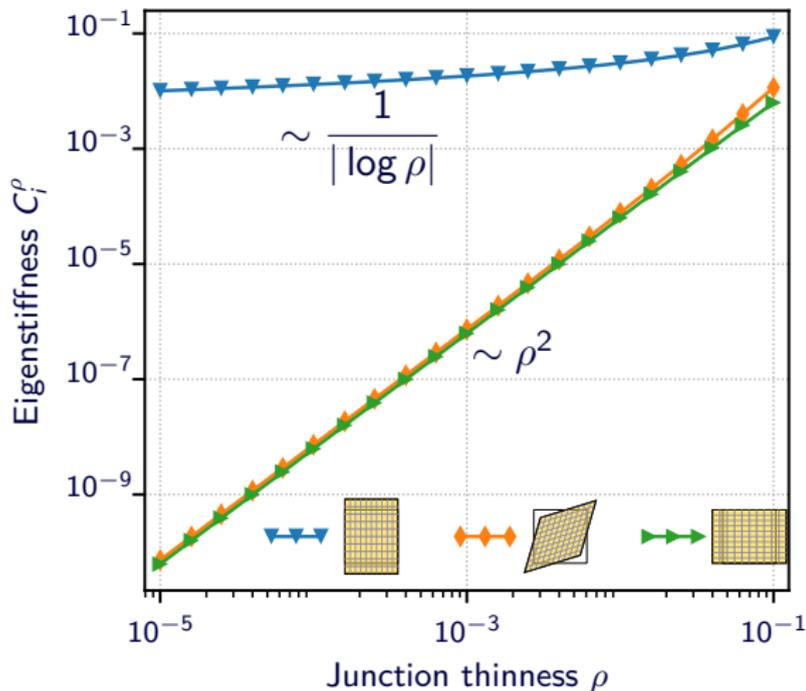


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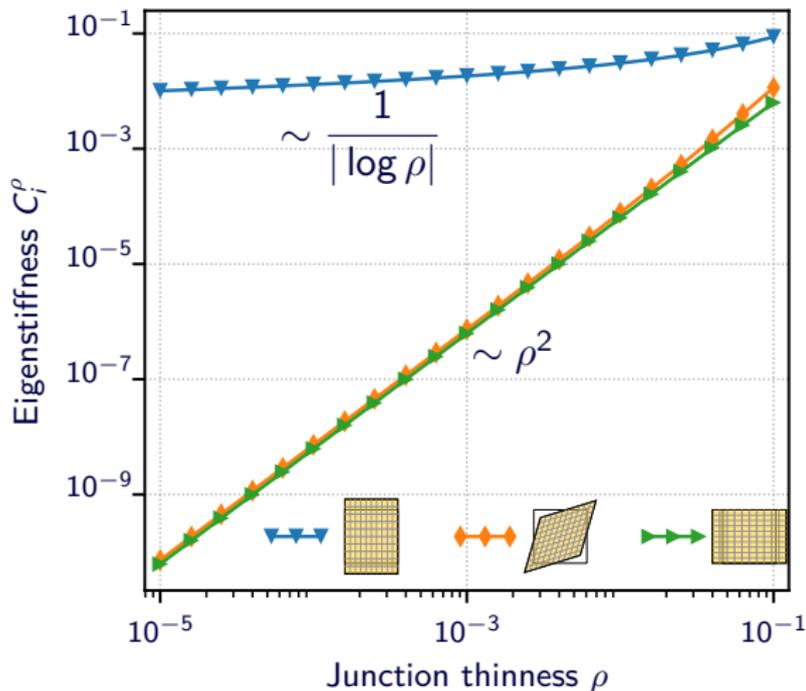
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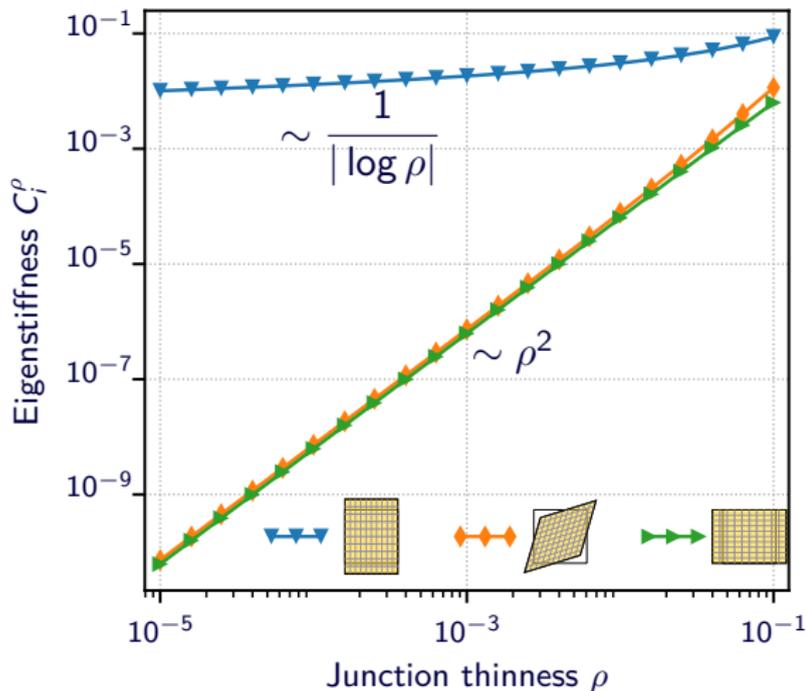
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$$\mathbf{E} : \mathbf{C} : \mathbf{E} \propto \frac{1}{|\log \rho|} \left[\text{stretch} \right]^2 + \rho^2 \left[\text{bend} + \text{shear} \right]^2$$

Illustration of strain-gradient effects

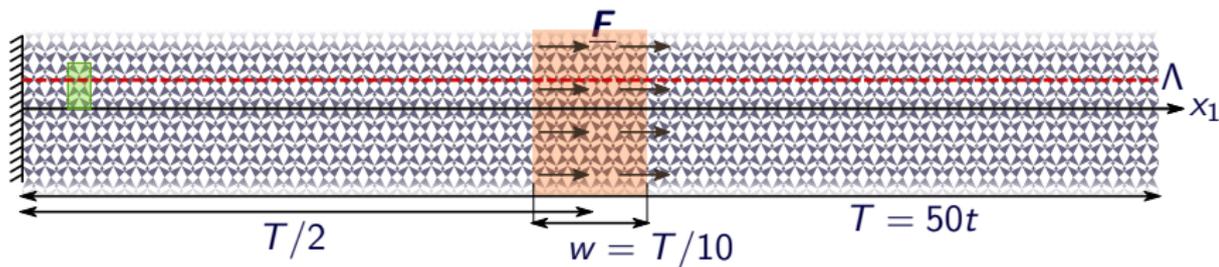


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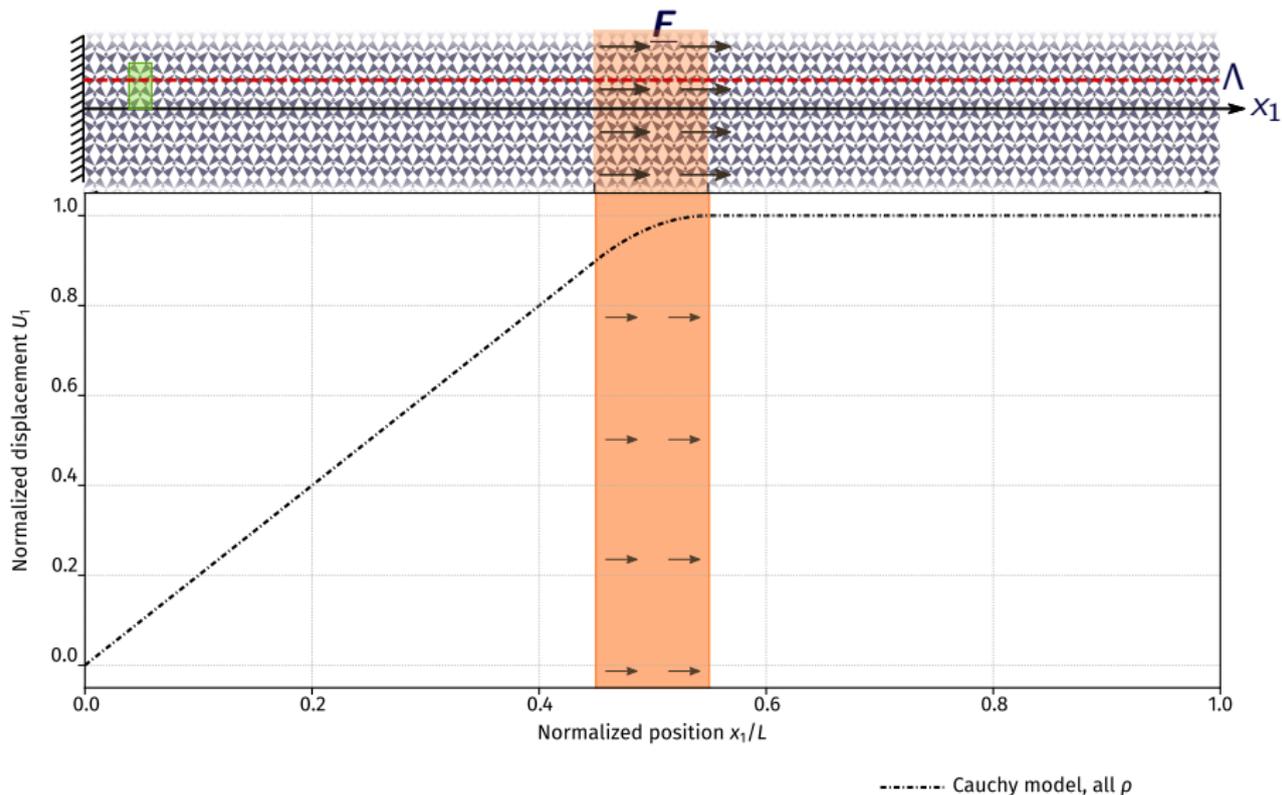


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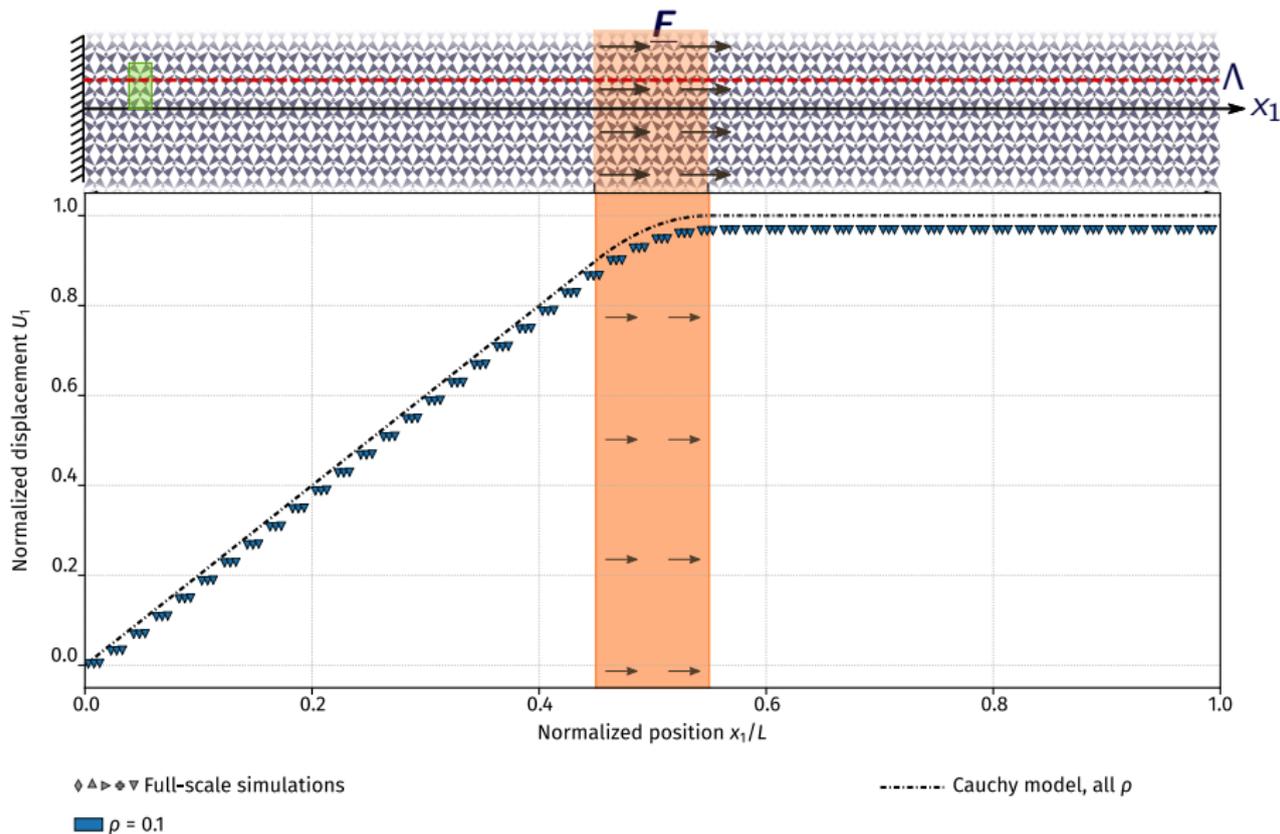


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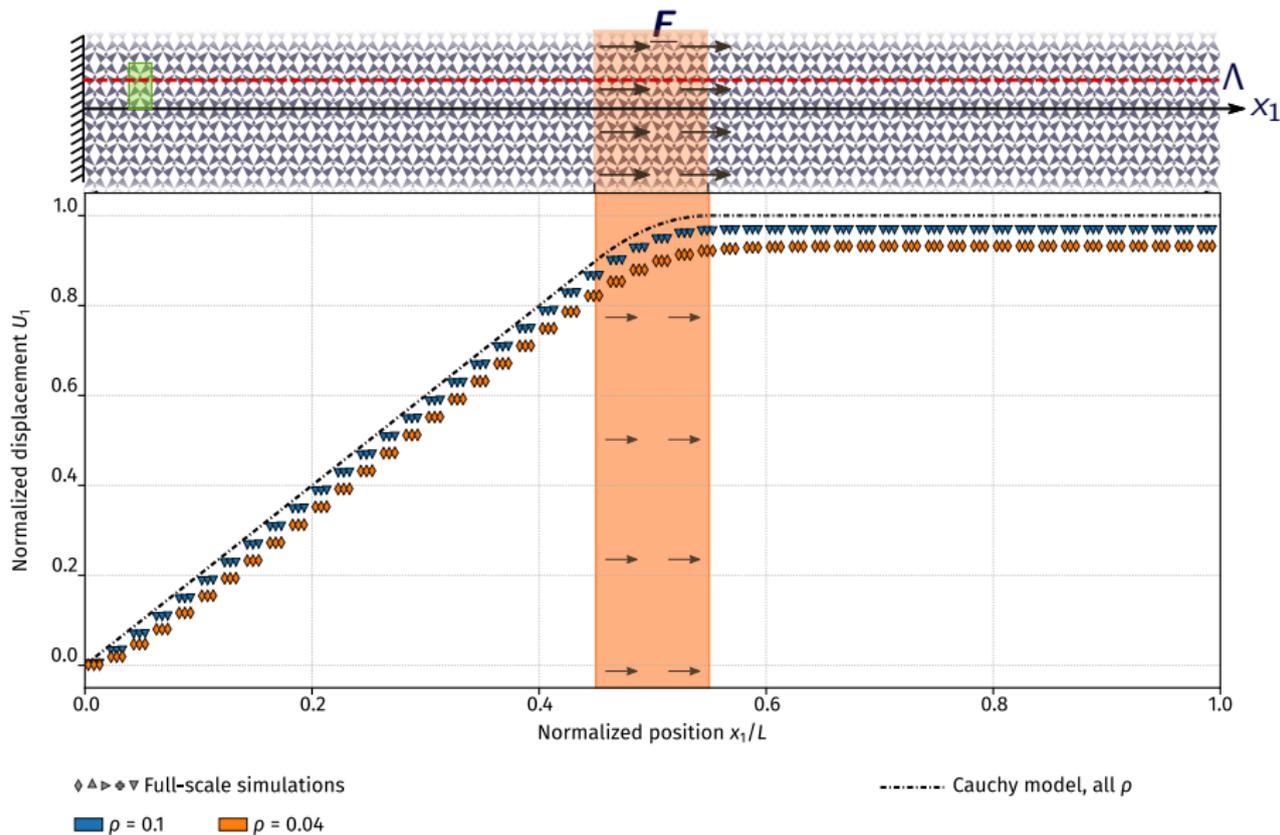


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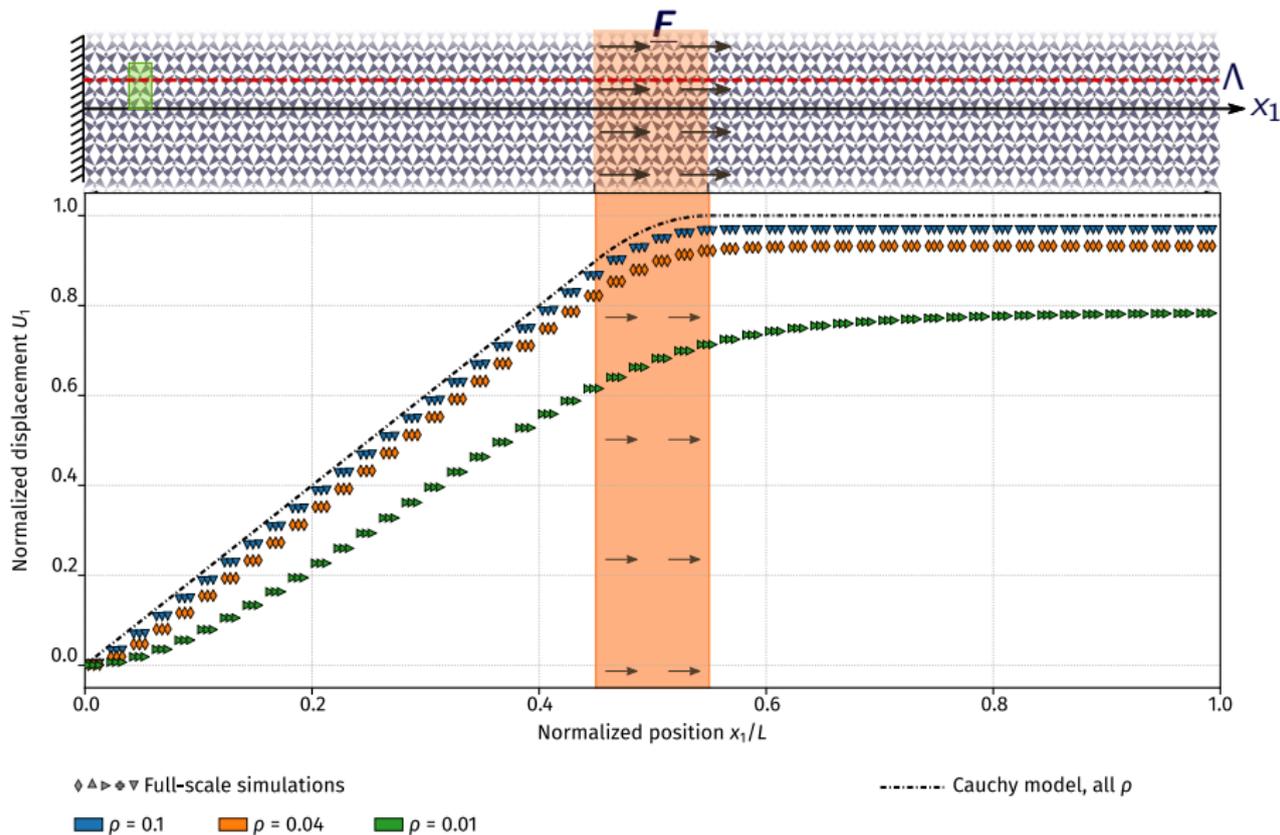


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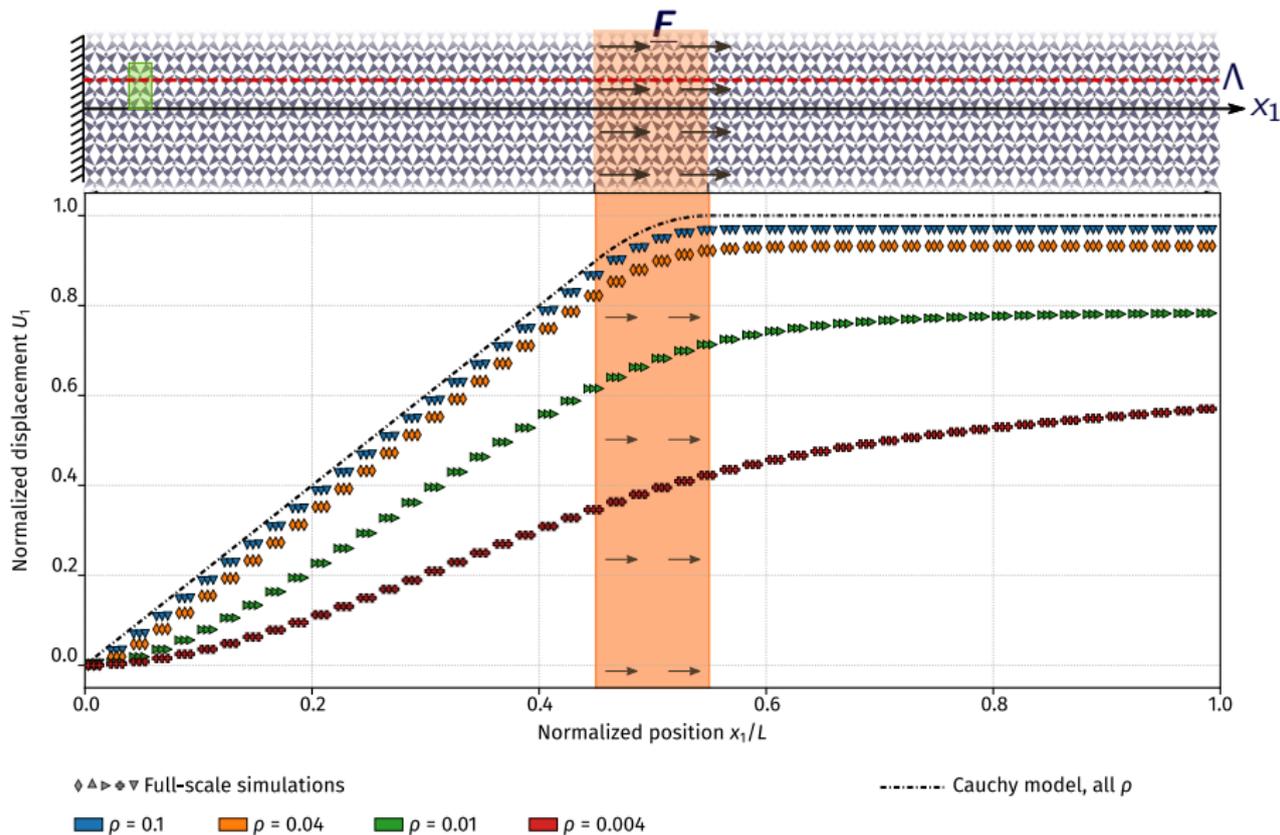
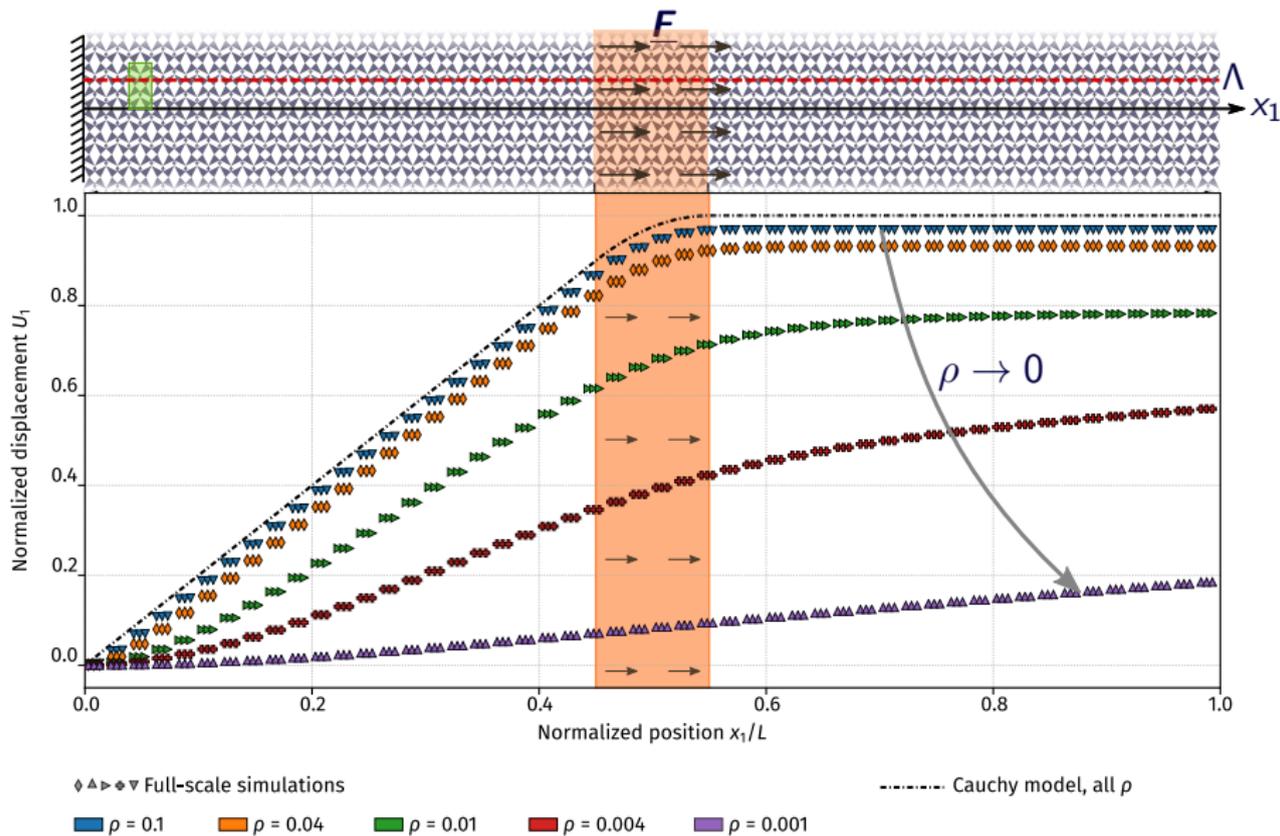


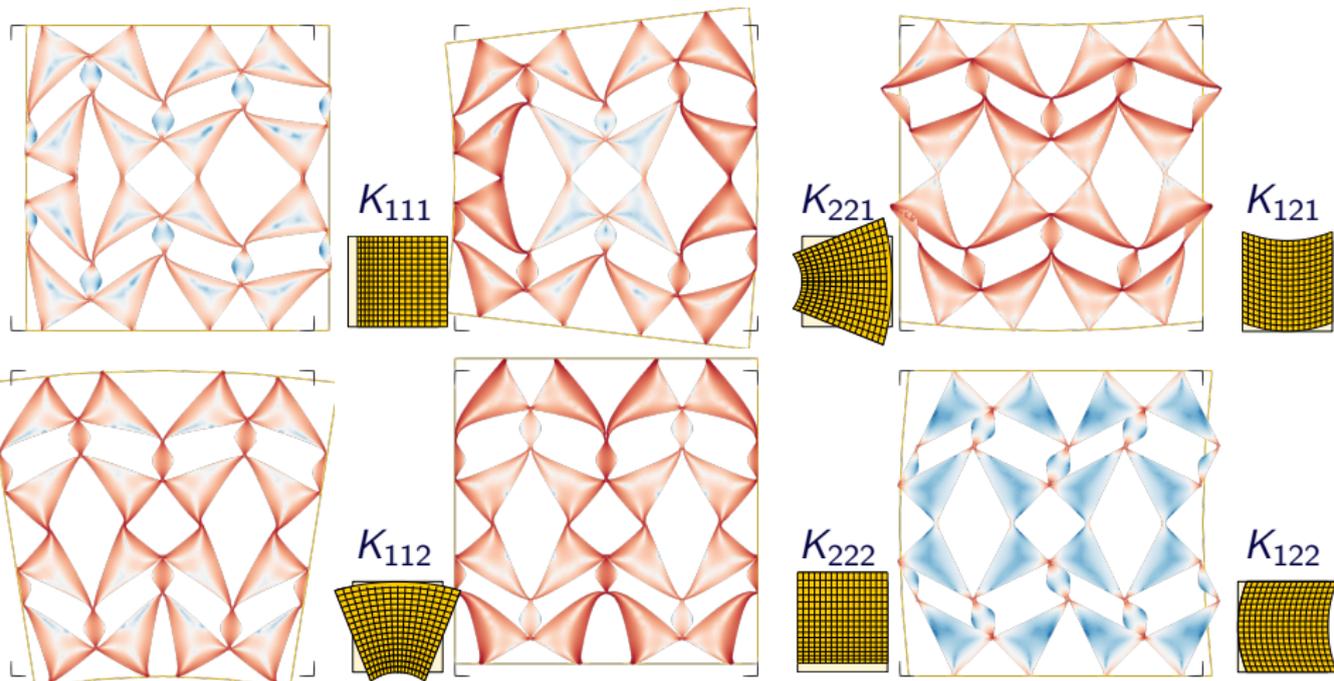
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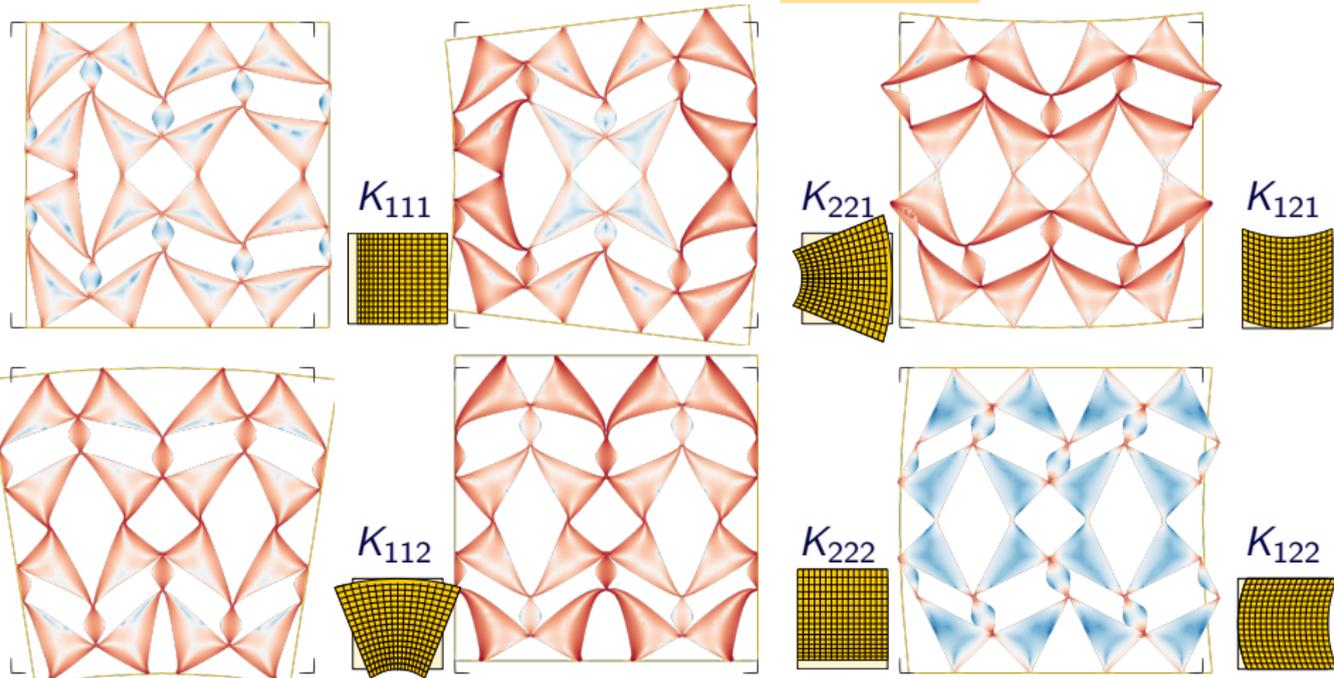
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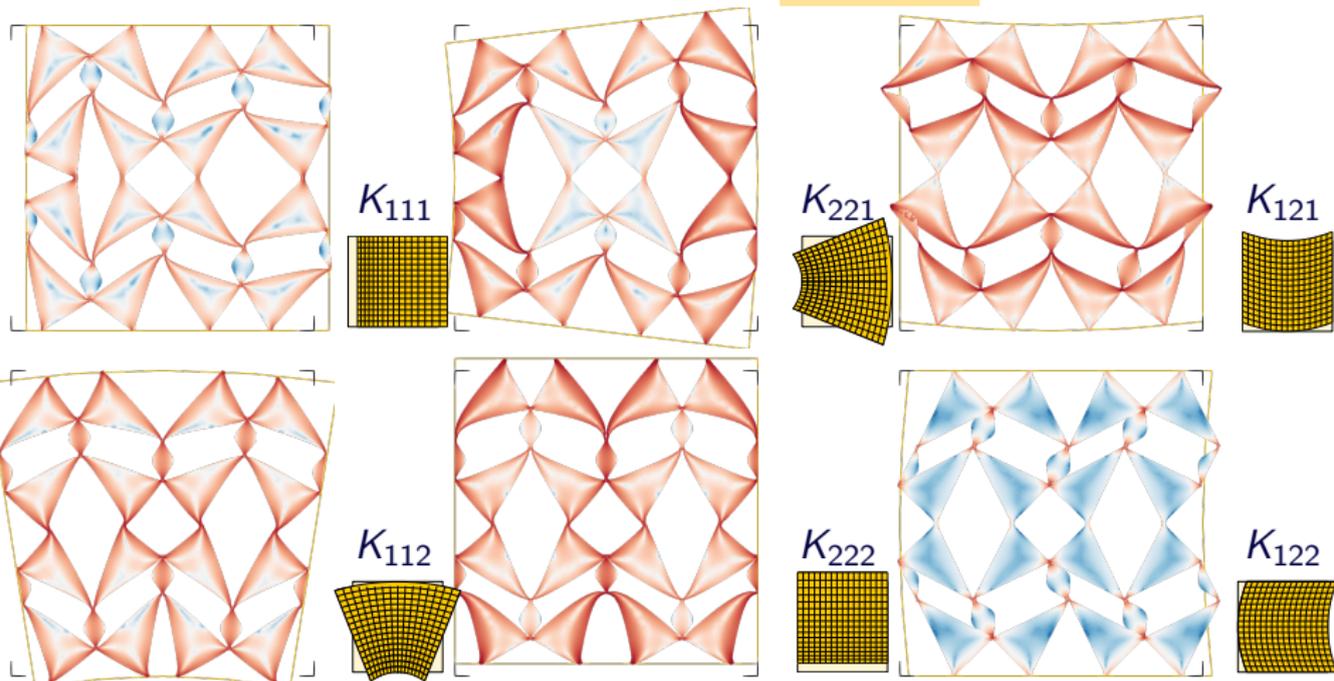
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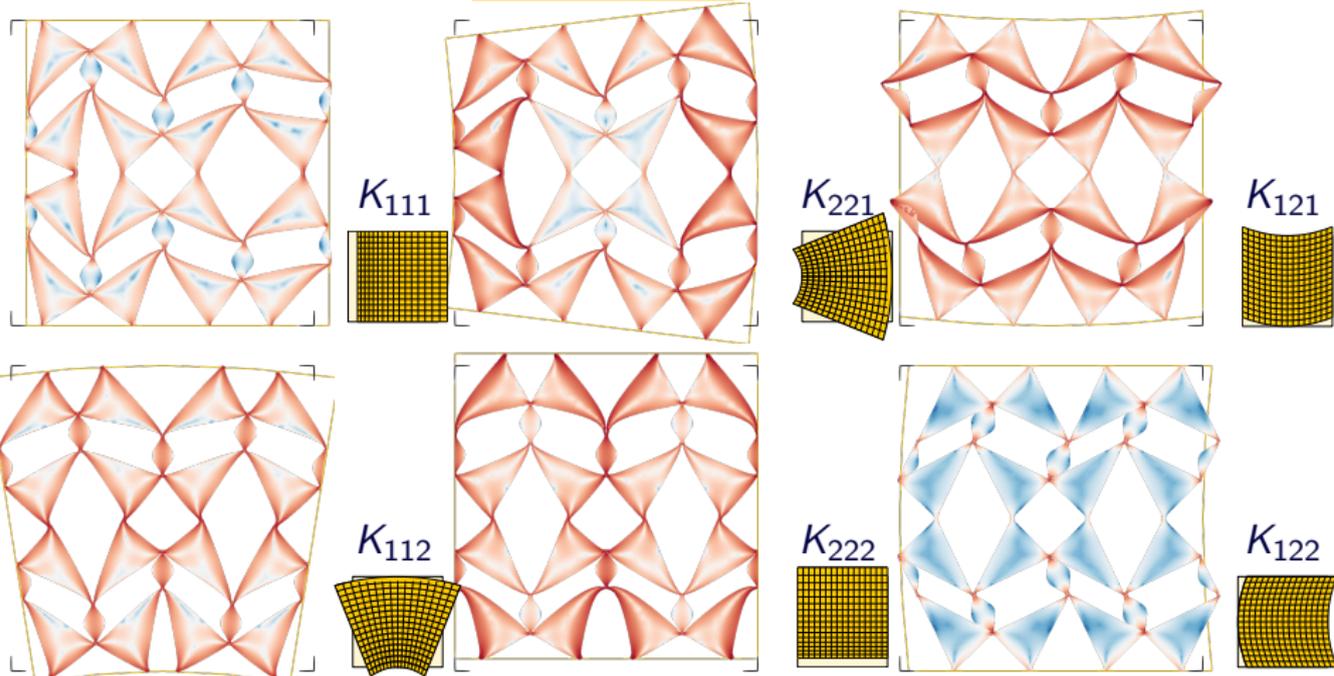
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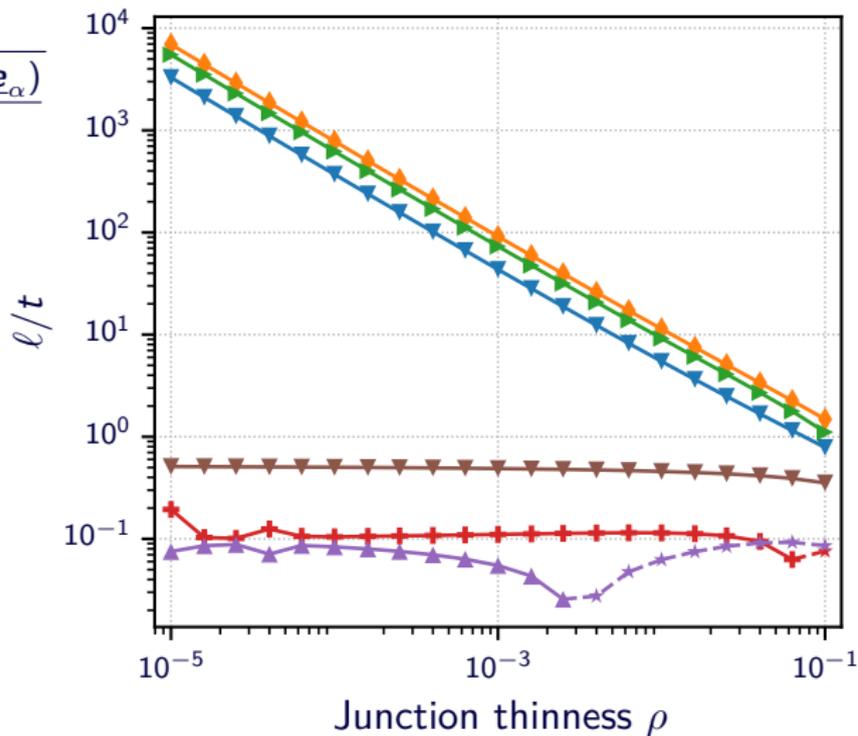
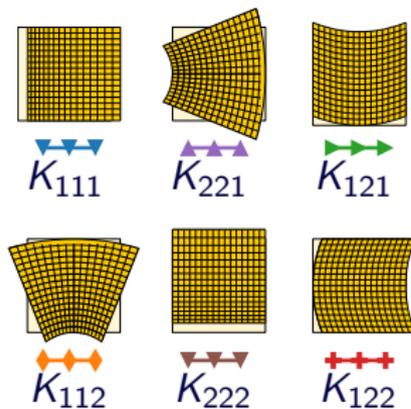
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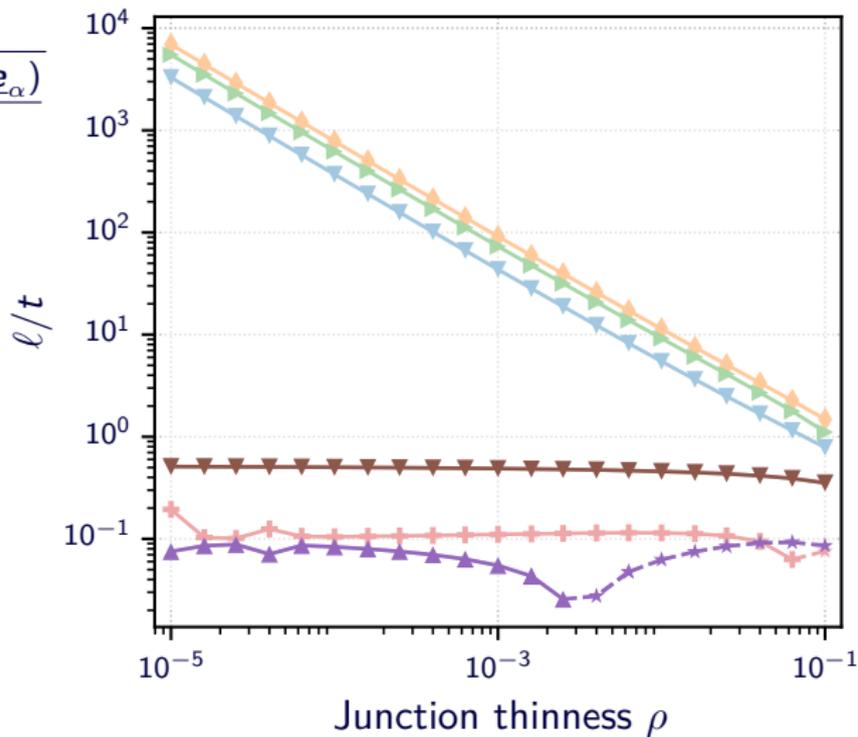
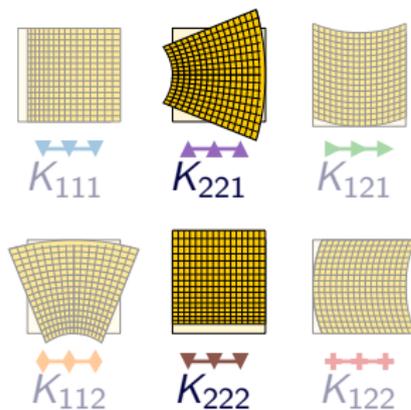
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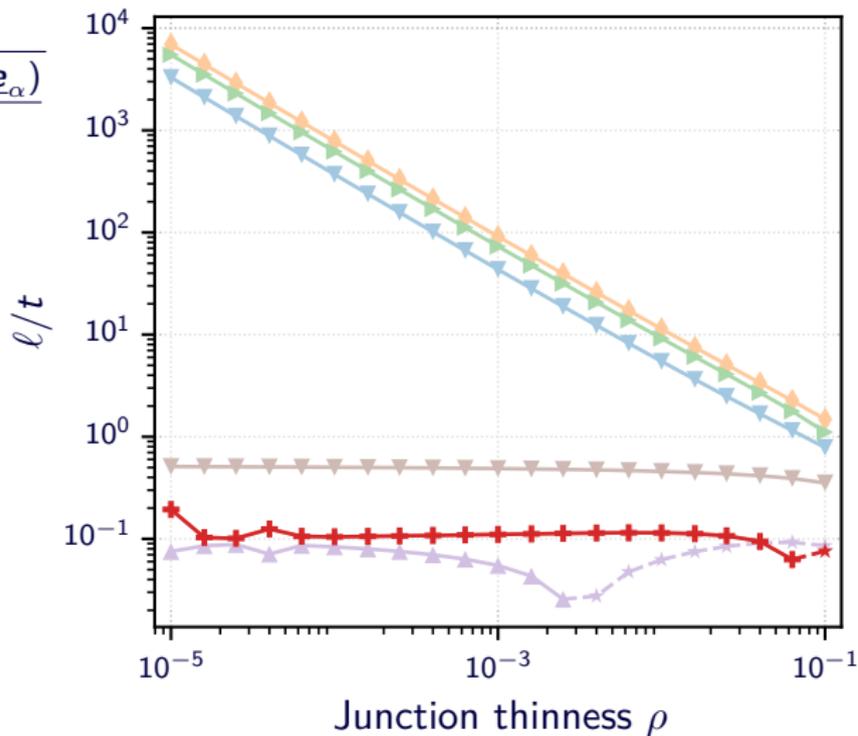
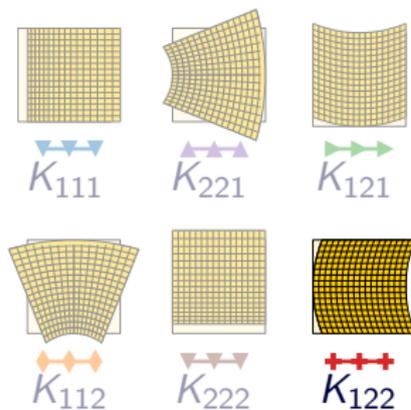
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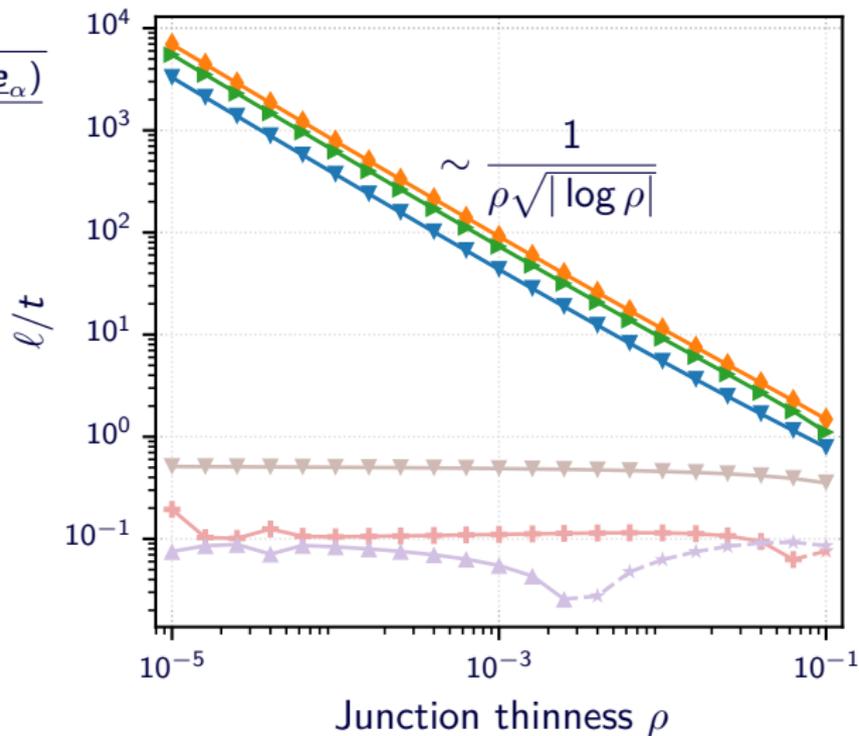
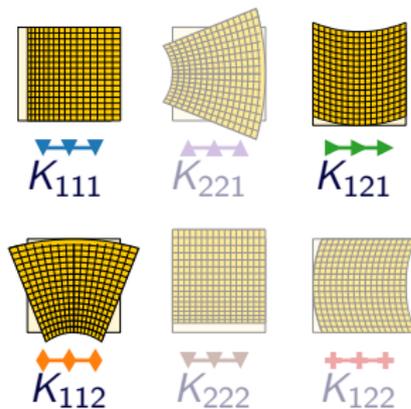
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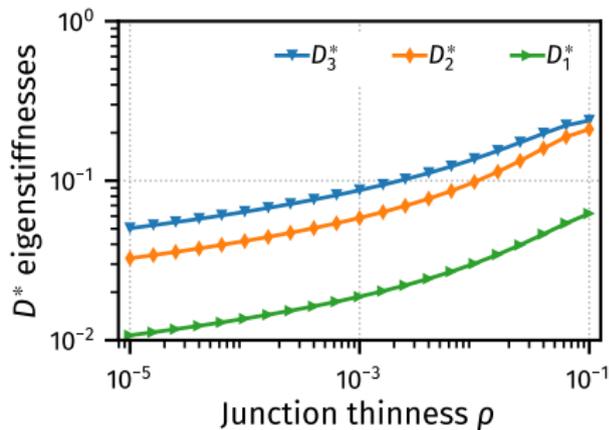
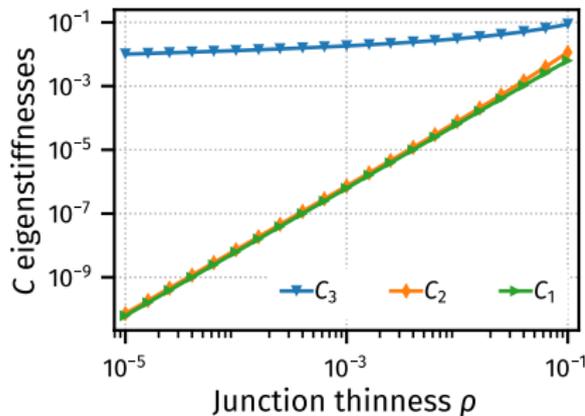


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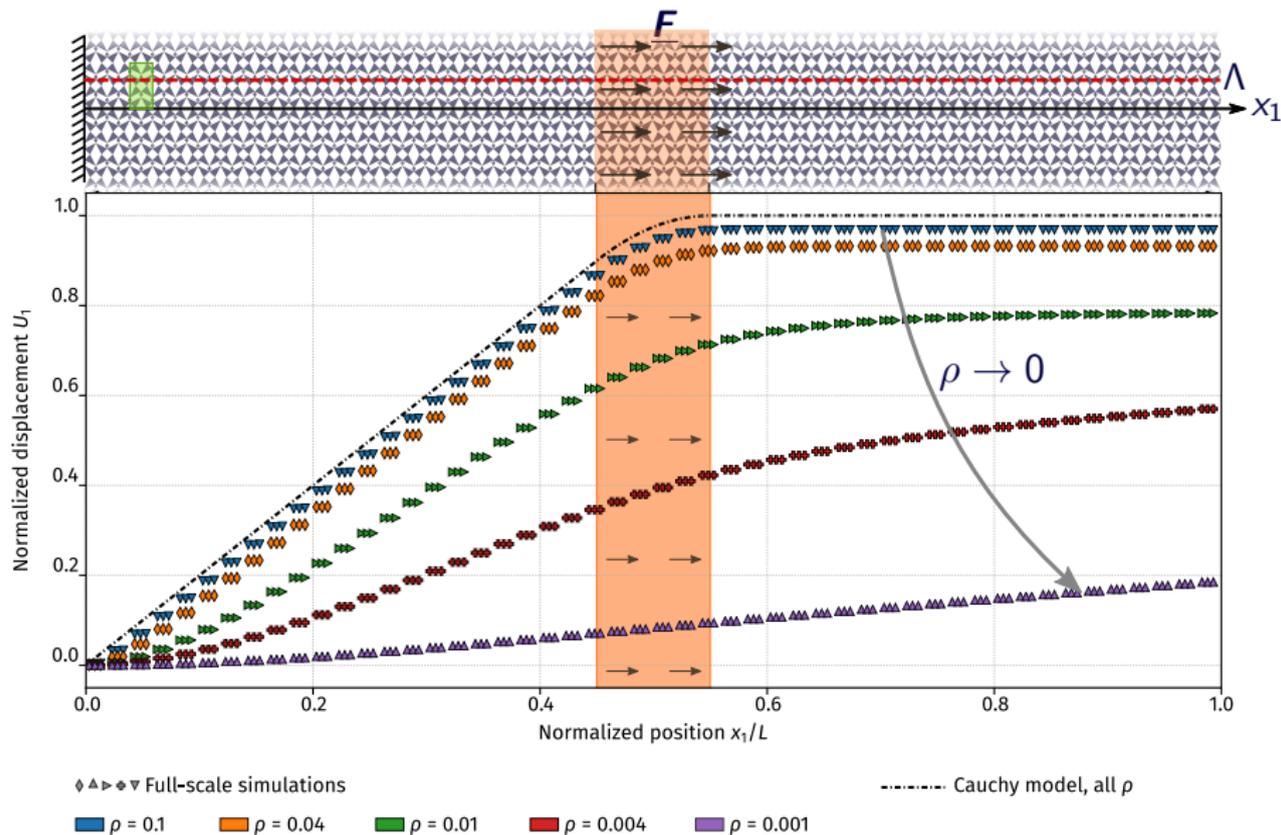
$$\mathbf{P} = \text{projector on span} \{K_{111}, K_{112}, K_{121}\}, \quad \mathbf{D}^{*,\rho} = \mathbf{P} : \mathbf{D}^\rho : \mathbf{P}$$

⇒ **Positive** strain-gradient homogenized energy density

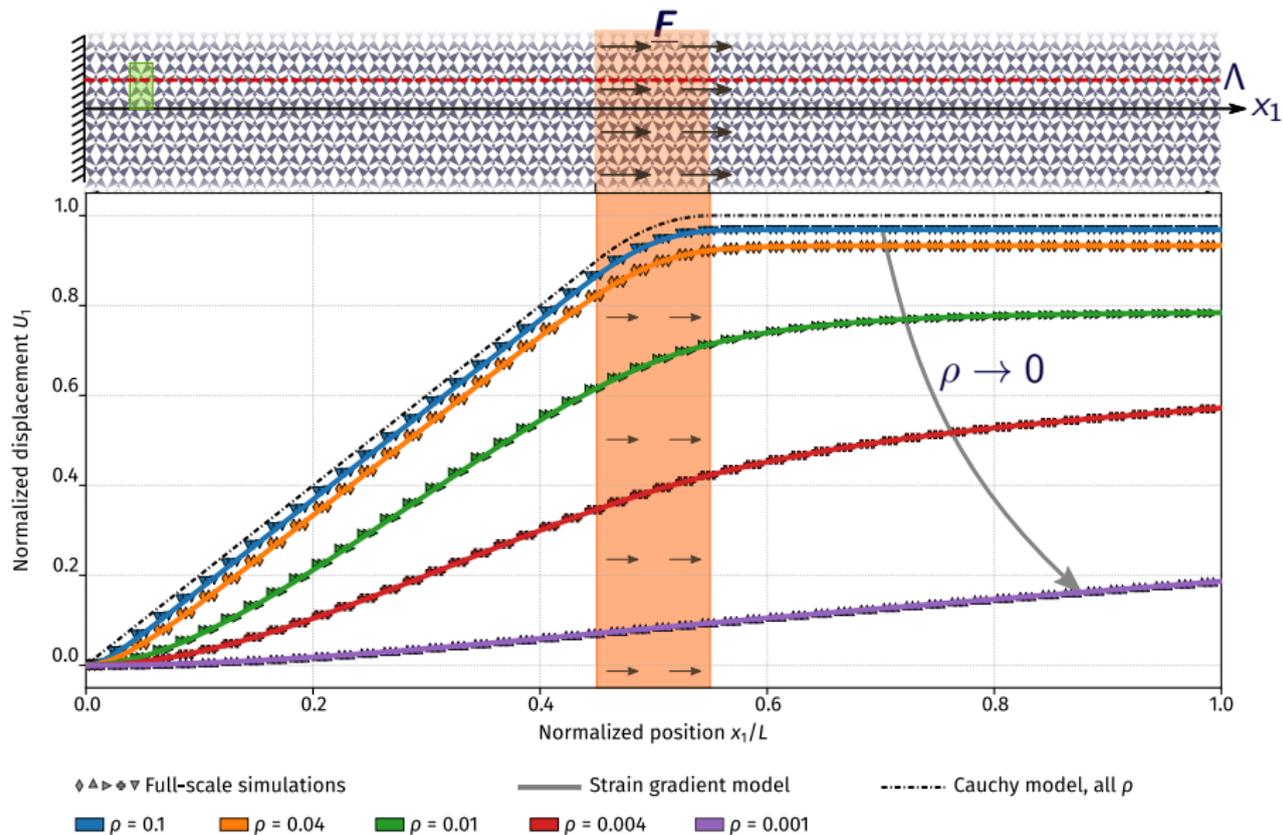
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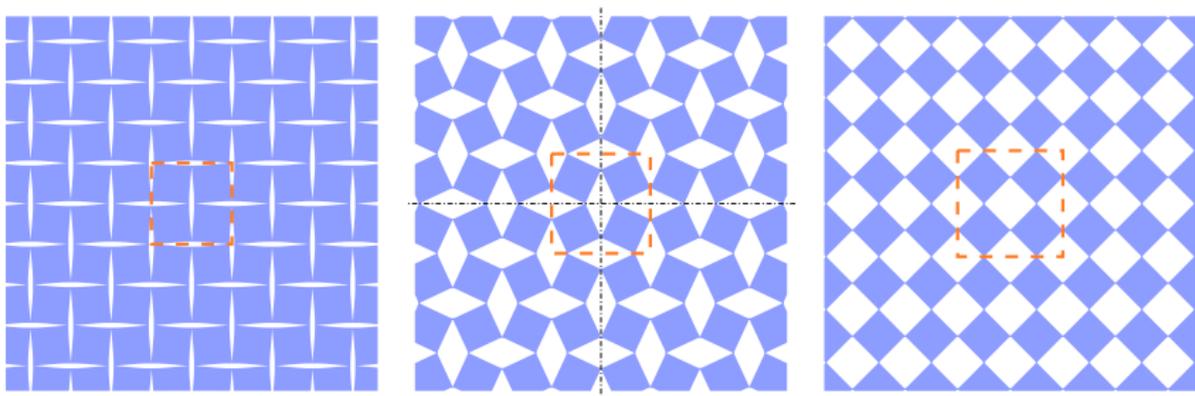
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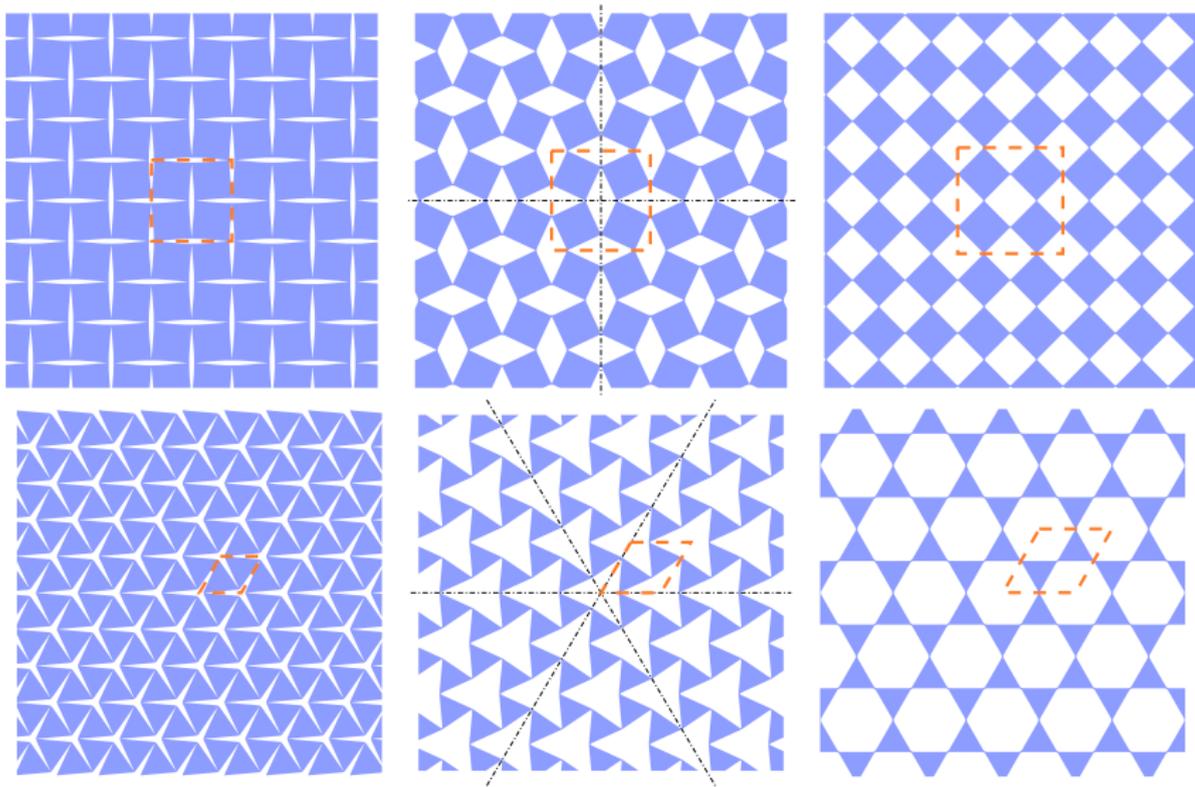
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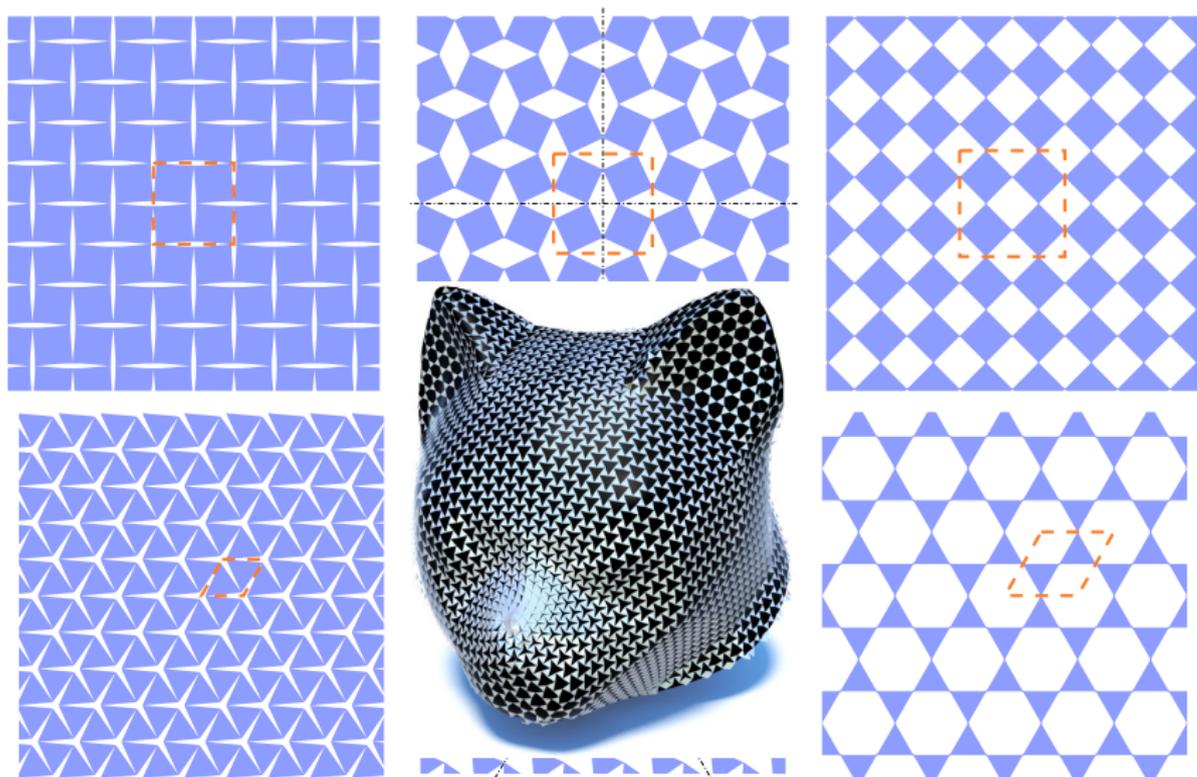
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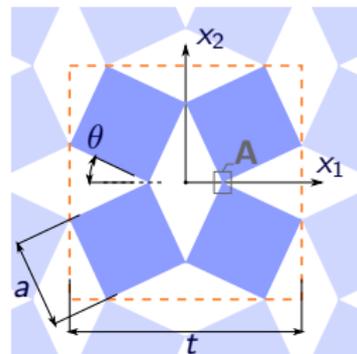


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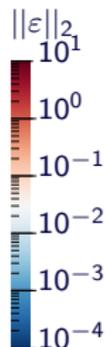
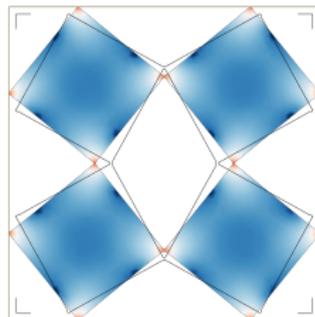
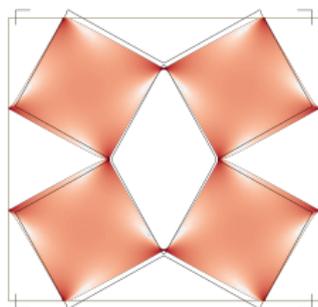
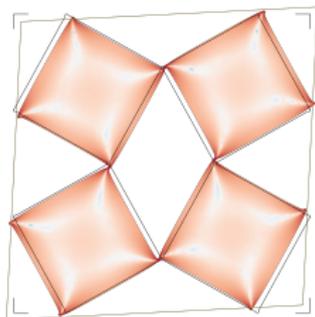
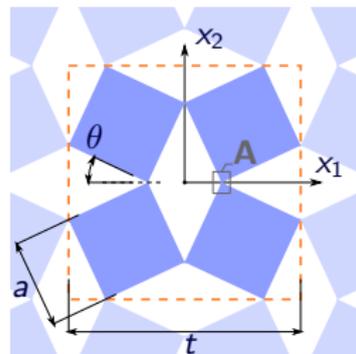
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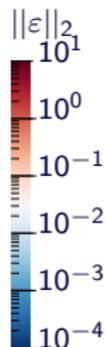
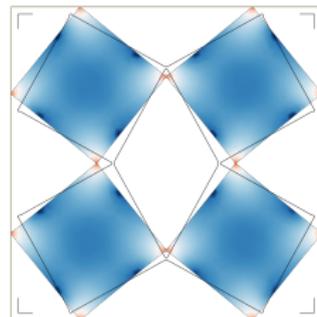
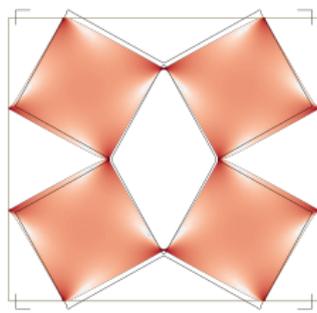
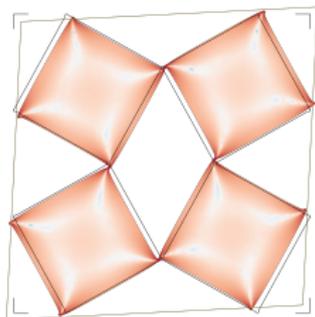
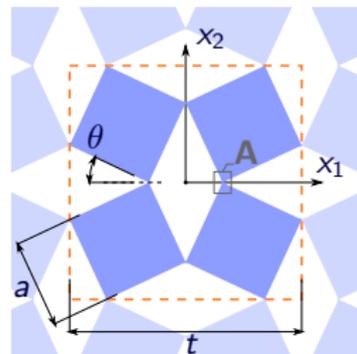


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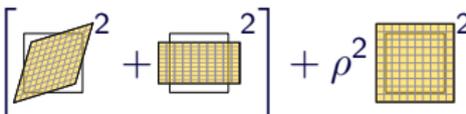
$$\mathbf{E} : \mathbf{C}^\rho : \mathbf{E} \propto \frac{1}{|\log \rho|} \left[\text{skew}^2 + \text{shear}^2 \right] + \rho^2 \text{dilation}^2$$

⇒ Dilation  is a floppy mode

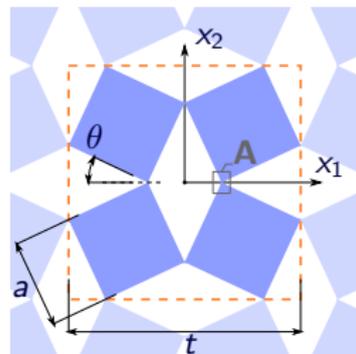


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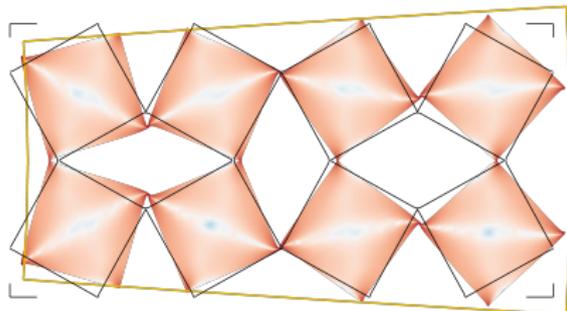
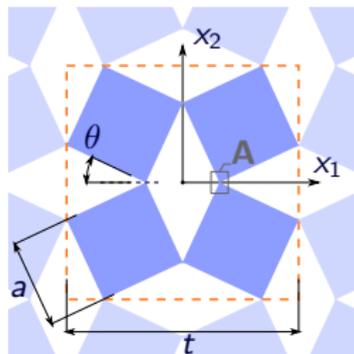
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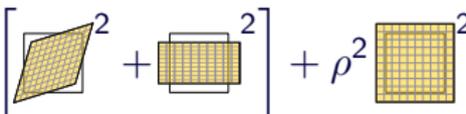
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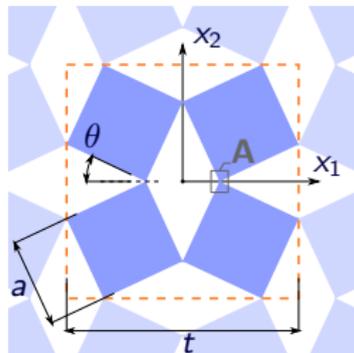
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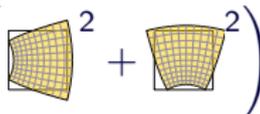
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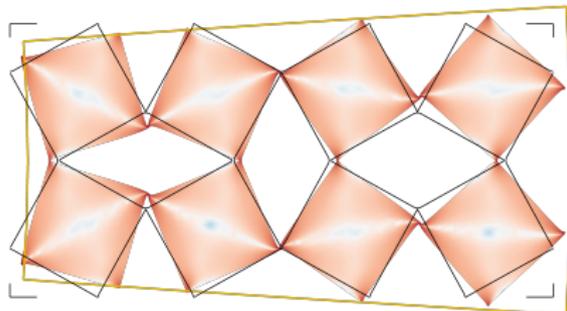
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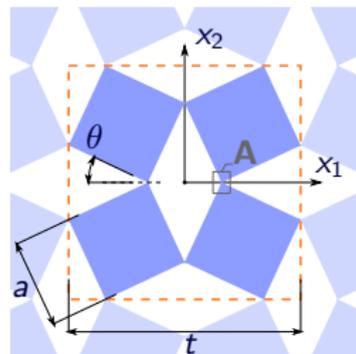
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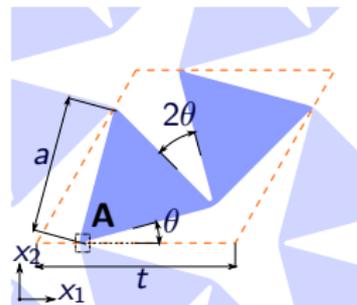
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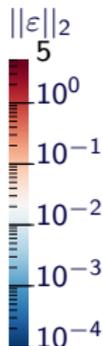
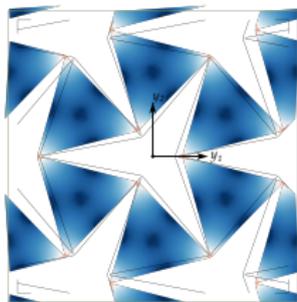
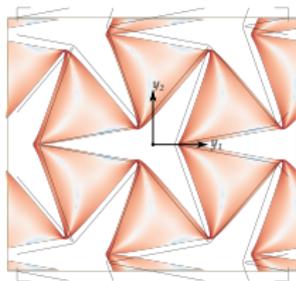
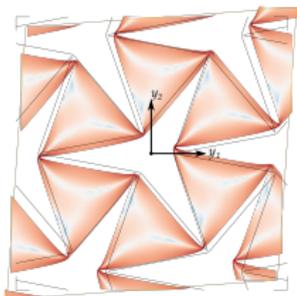
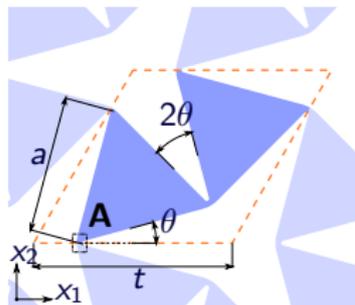
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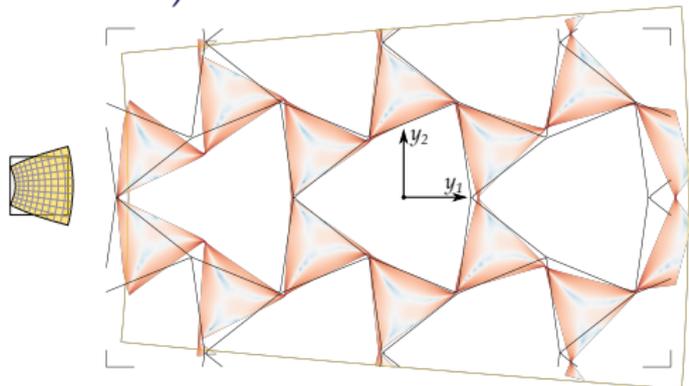
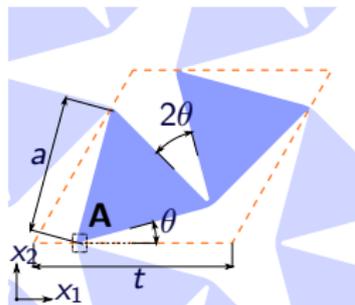
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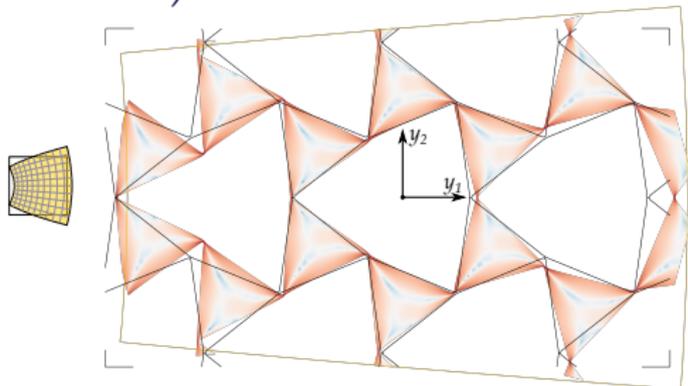
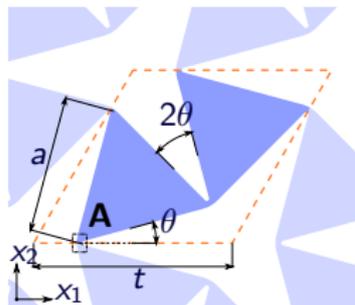
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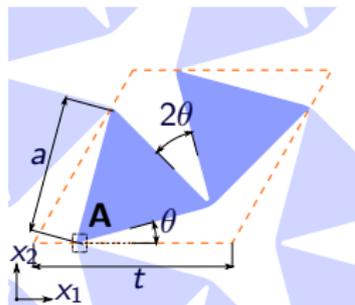
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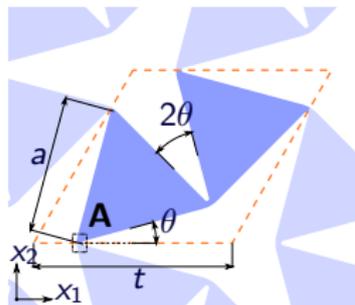
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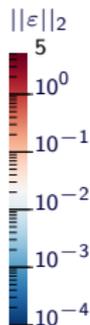
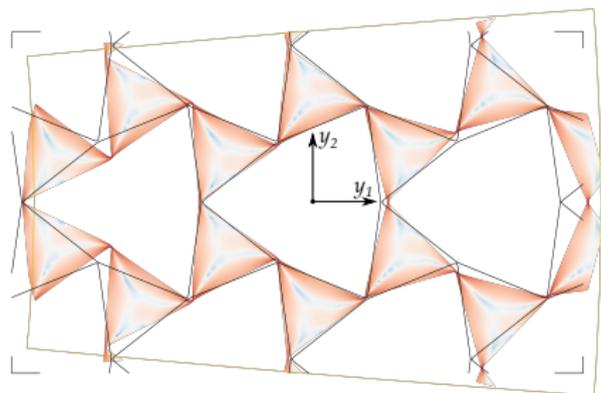
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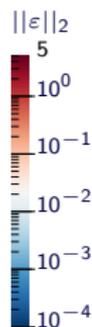
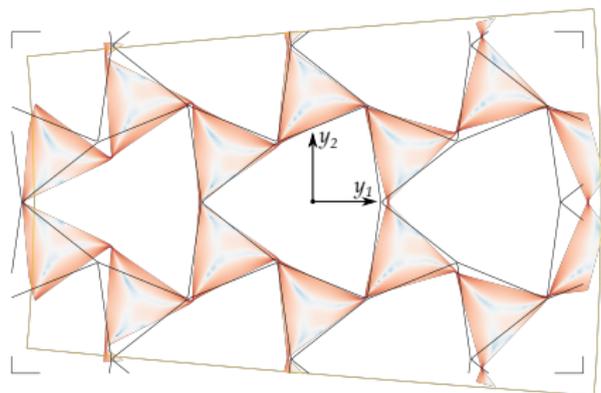


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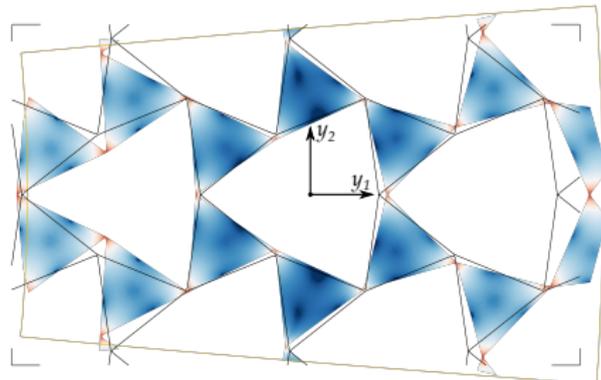
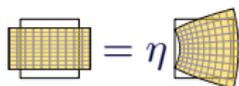
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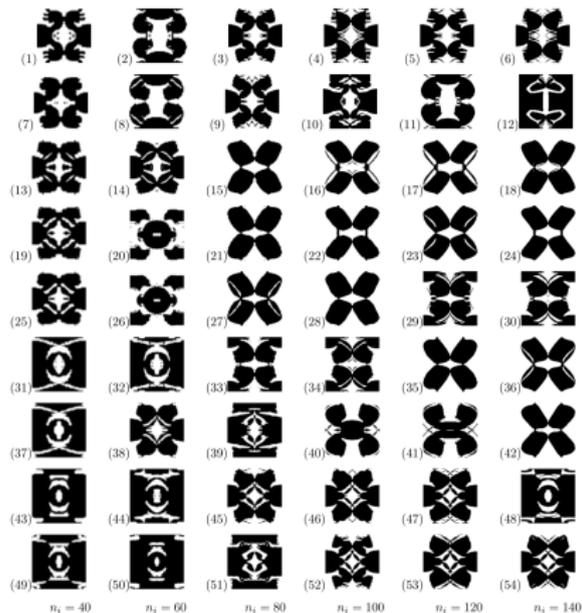
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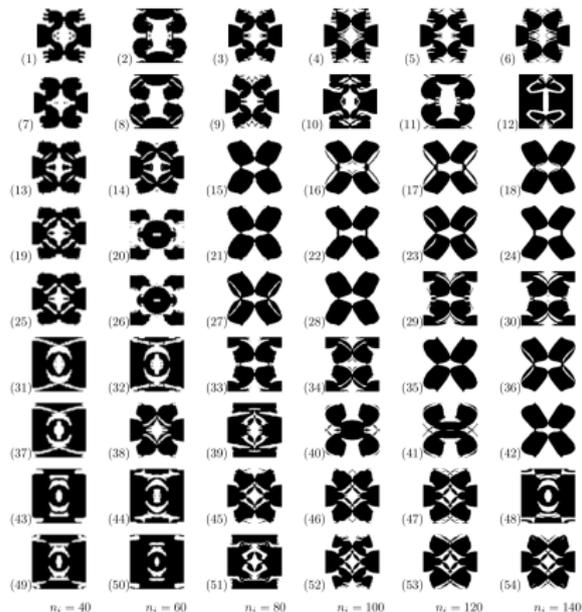
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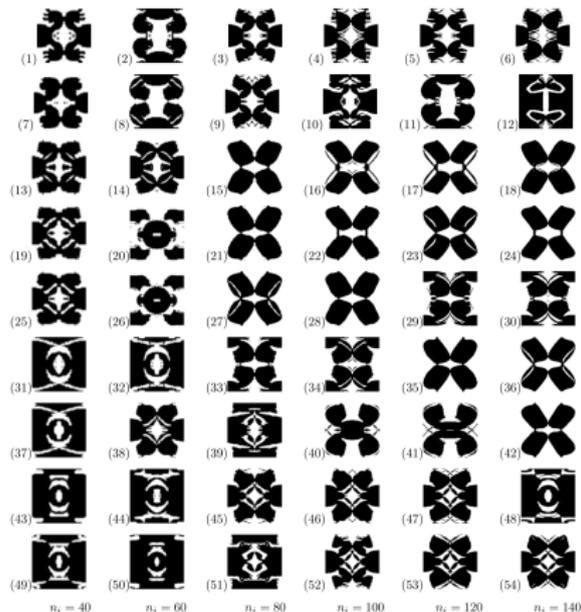
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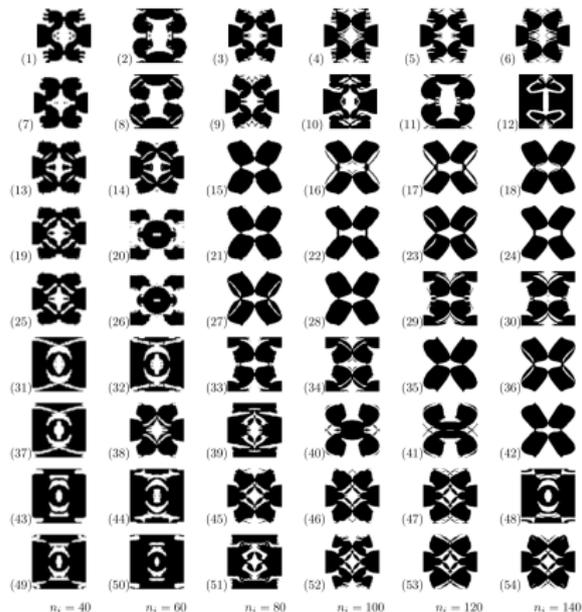
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l_{111}

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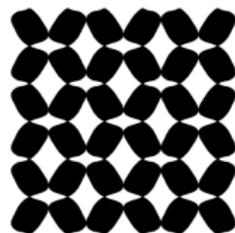
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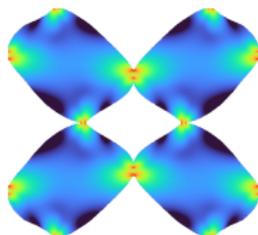
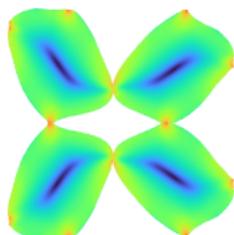
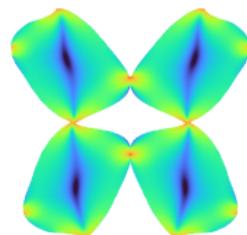
Initialization



Unit cell



Nine unit cells

 E_{11}  K_{111}  K_{112} 

l_{112}

$$\max \left\{ \frac{D_{112211}}{C_{1111}} \right\} = \max \left\{ \frac{\text{[curved grid]} }{\text{[flat grid]} } \right\}$$

l_{112}

$$\max \left\{ \frac{D_{112211}}{C_{1111}} \right\} = \max \left\{ \frac{\text{[Wavy Grid]}}{\text{[Rectangular Grid]}} \right\}$$



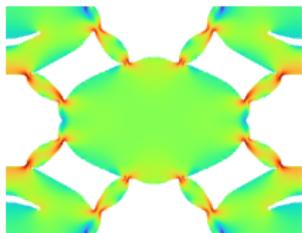
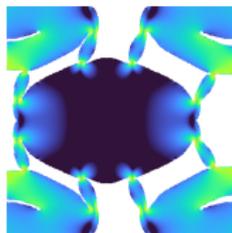
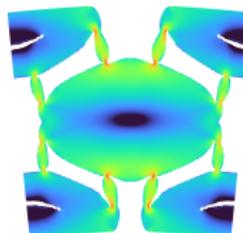
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$$l_{111} + l_{112}$$

$$\max \left\{ \frac{D_{111111} + D_{112211}}{C_{1111}} \right\} = \max \left\{ \frac{\begin{array}{c} \text{[grid]} + \text{[fan]} \\ \text{[grid]} \end{array}}{\text{[grid]}} \right\}$$

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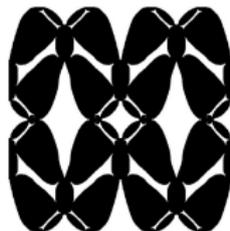
$$\max \left\{ \frac{D_{111111} + D_{112211}}{C_{1111}} \right\} = \max \left\{ \frac{\left[\begin{array}{c} \text{grid} \\ + \\ \text{trapezoid} \end{array} \right]}{\text{grid}} \right\}$$



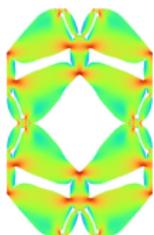
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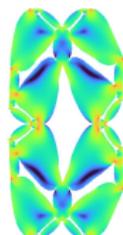


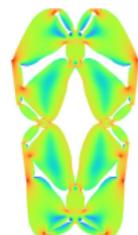
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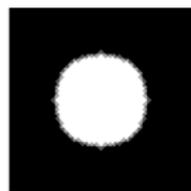

l_{121}

$$\max \left\{ \frac{D_{121121}}{C_{1212}} \right\} = \max \left\{ \frac{\text{[Diagram 1]}}{\text{[Diagram 2]}} \right\}$$

The diagram on the right shows two microstructures stacked vertically. The top diagram is a rectangular unit cell with vertical yellow lines, representing a uniaxial microstructure. The bottom diagram is a rectangular unit cell with a diagonal grid of yellow lines, representing a shear microstructure.

l_{121}

$$\max \left\{ \frac{D_{121121}}{C_{1212}} \right\} = \max \left\{ \frac{\text{[Image of vertical stripes]} }{\text{[Image of grid]} } \right\}$$



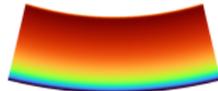
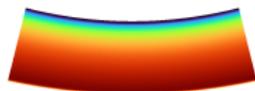
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Unit cell



Nine unit cells



$$l_{121} + l_{122}$$

$$\max \left\{ \frac{D_{121121} + D_{122221}}{C_{1212}} \right\} = \max \left\{ \frac{\text{[curved grid]} + \text{[curved grid]}}{\text{[sheared grid]}} \right\}$$

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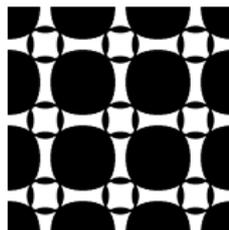
$$\max \left\{ \frac{D_{121121} + D_{122221}}{C_{1212}} \right\} = \max \left\{ \frac{\text{[curved grid]} + \text{[straight grid]}}{\text{[sheared grid]}} \right\}$$



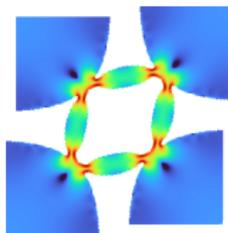
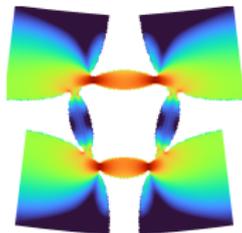
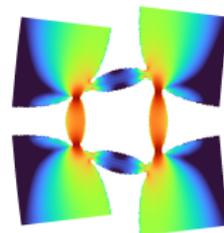
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Nine unit cells


 E_{12} 

 K_{121} 

 K_{122} 

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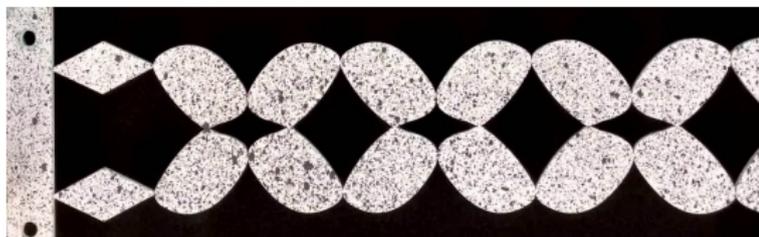
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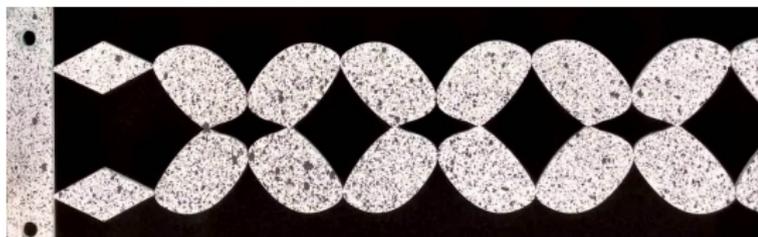
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Outlooks

- ▶ Enriched continua?
- ▶ Finite deformations?





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"Le Bandit Manchot", Lucky Luke (1981), Bob de Groot - Morris, Dargaud pub.

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