



# Model-Free Data-Driven Computing

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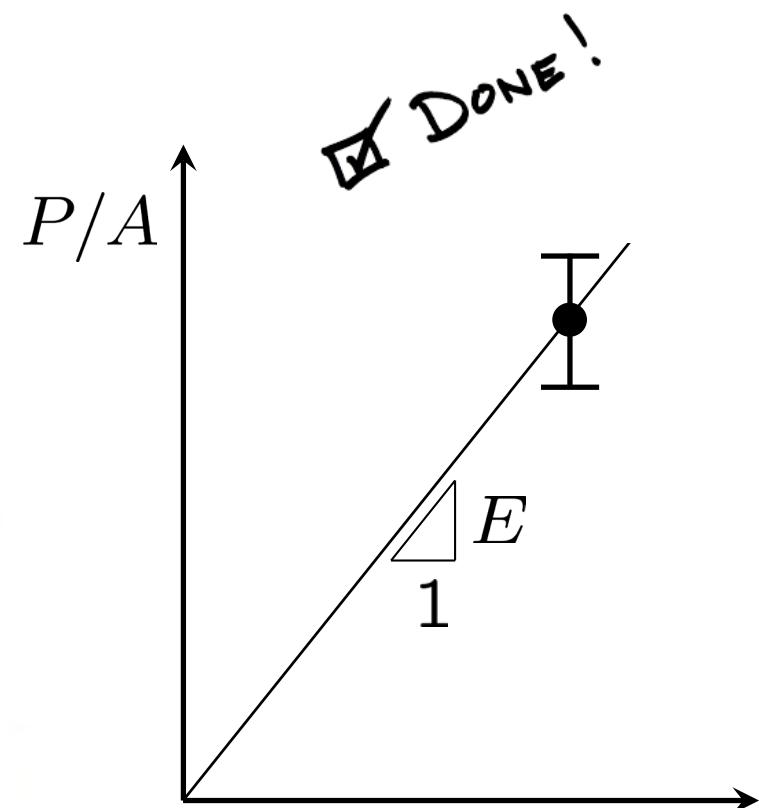
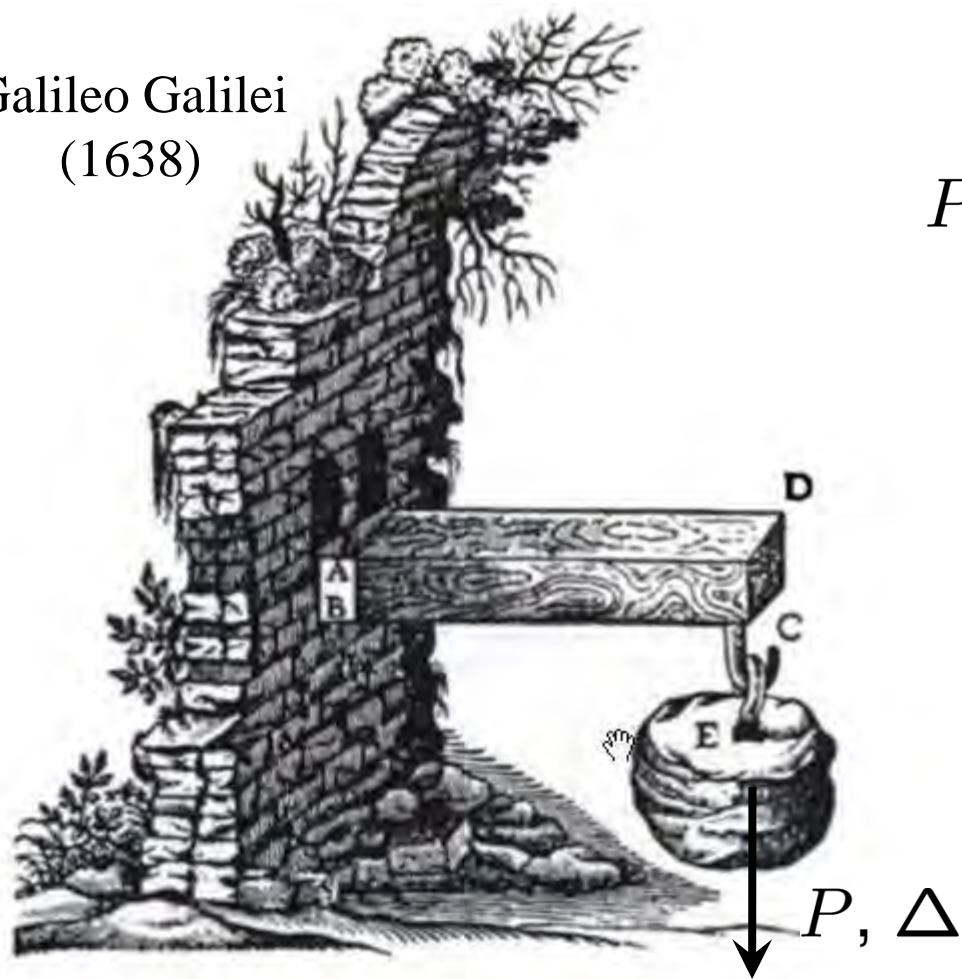
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# Materials data through the ages...

Traditionally, mechanics of materials has been *data starved*...

Galileo Galilei  
(1638)



# Computational mechanics in a data-rich world

- Material data is currently plentiful due to dramatic advances in *experimental science* (DIC, EBSD, microscopy, tomography...) and multiscale computing ( $\text{DFT} \rightarrow \text{MD} \rightarrow \text{DDD} \rightarrow \text{SM} \rightarrow \text{Hom}$ )

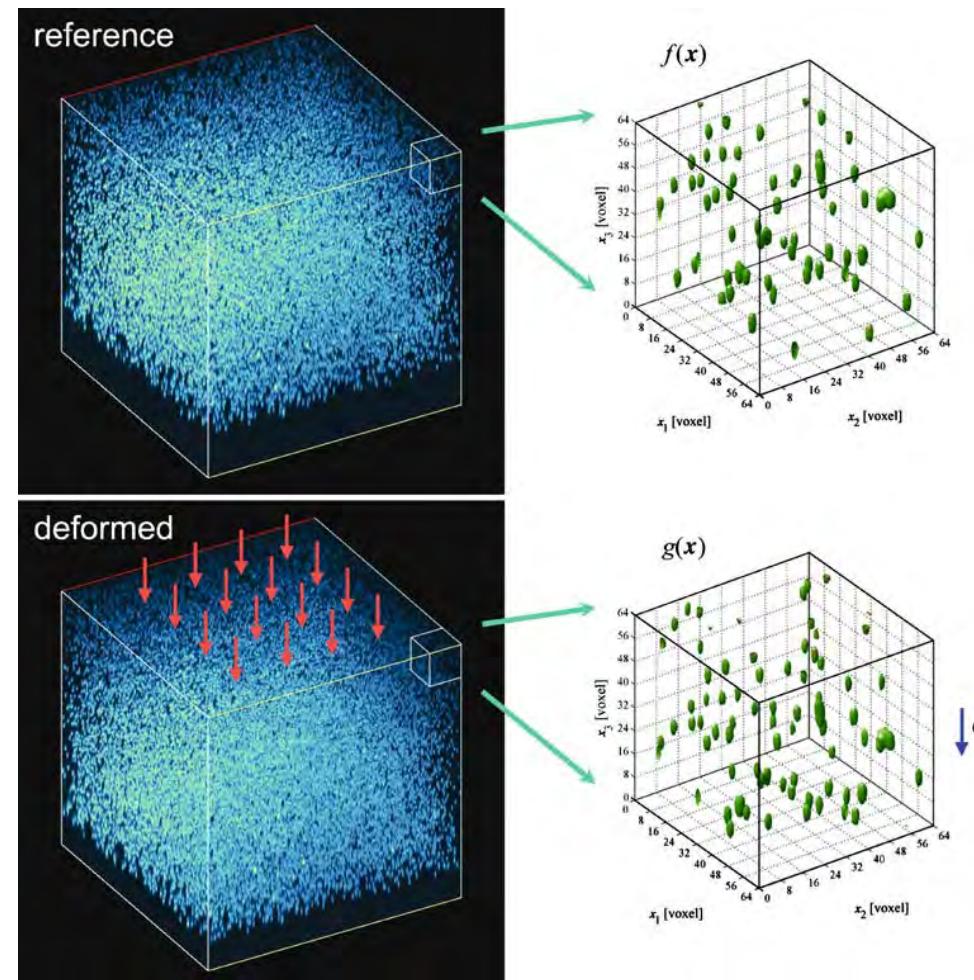
## Digital Volume Correlation

(DVC): Two confocal volume images of an *agarose gel* with randomly dispersed fluorescent particles before and after mechanical loading. The *full displacement vector field* is measured using 3D volume correlation methods.

C. Franck, S. Hong, S.A. Maskarinec,  
D.A. Tirrell & G. Ravichandran,  
*Experimental Mechanics*, **47** (2007)  
427–438.

## Data-Driven Identification:

A. Leygue, M. Coret, J. Réthoré,  
L. Stainier & E. Verron,  
*IJNME*, **331** (2018) 184–196.

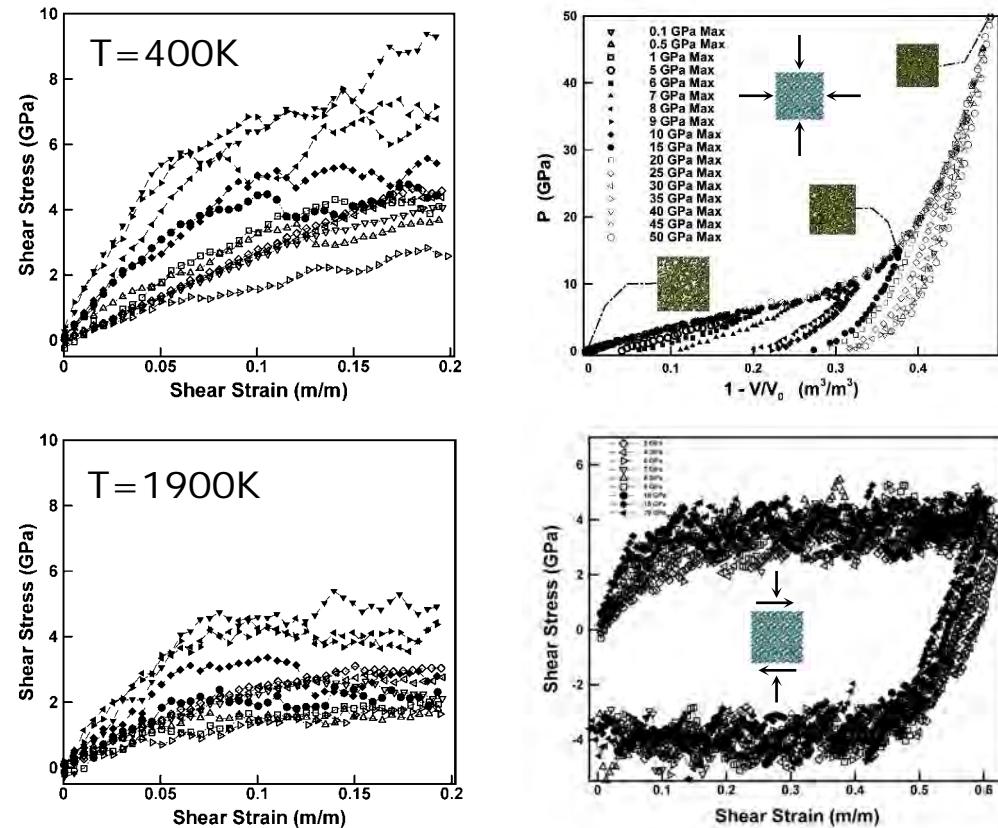


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- New role for *multiscale analysis*: Data generation

*Amorphous SiO<sub>2</sub> glass:*  
LAMMPS MD calculations of amorphous silica glass under *pressure-shear* loading over a range of *temperatures* and *strain rates*. RVEs are quenched from the melt, then analyzed using the BKS potential with Ewald summation.

Schill, W., Heyden, S., Conti, S. & MO, *JMPs*, **113** (2018) 105-125.  
Schill, W., Mendez, J.P., Stainier, L. & MO, *JMPs*, **140** (2020) 103940.



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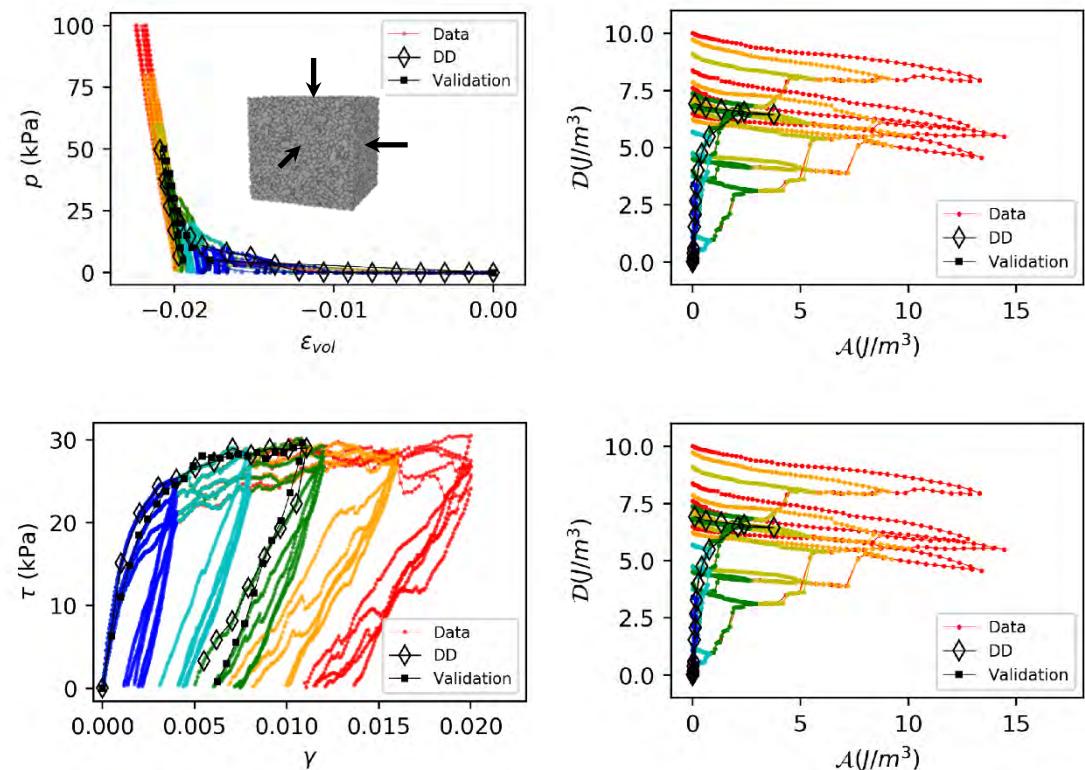
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## Granular matsls. (dry sand):

Level-Set Discrete Element Method (LS-DEM) simulation of granular material samples. 3D irregular *rigid particles* interact through *frictional contact*. Particle morphology described by level-set functions. Note calculation of *dissipation and free energy*.

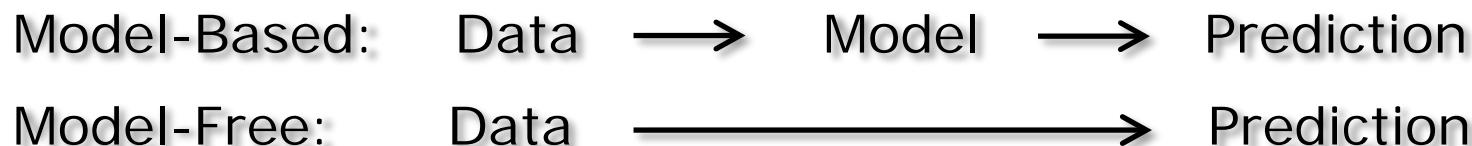
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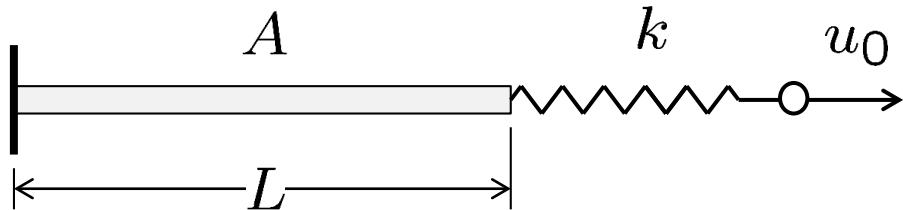
- The unprecedented *abundance of material data* presents new challenges and opportunities
- Two main strategies:
  - *Model the data, use models in BVP calculations*
  - *Embed the data directly into BVP calculations*



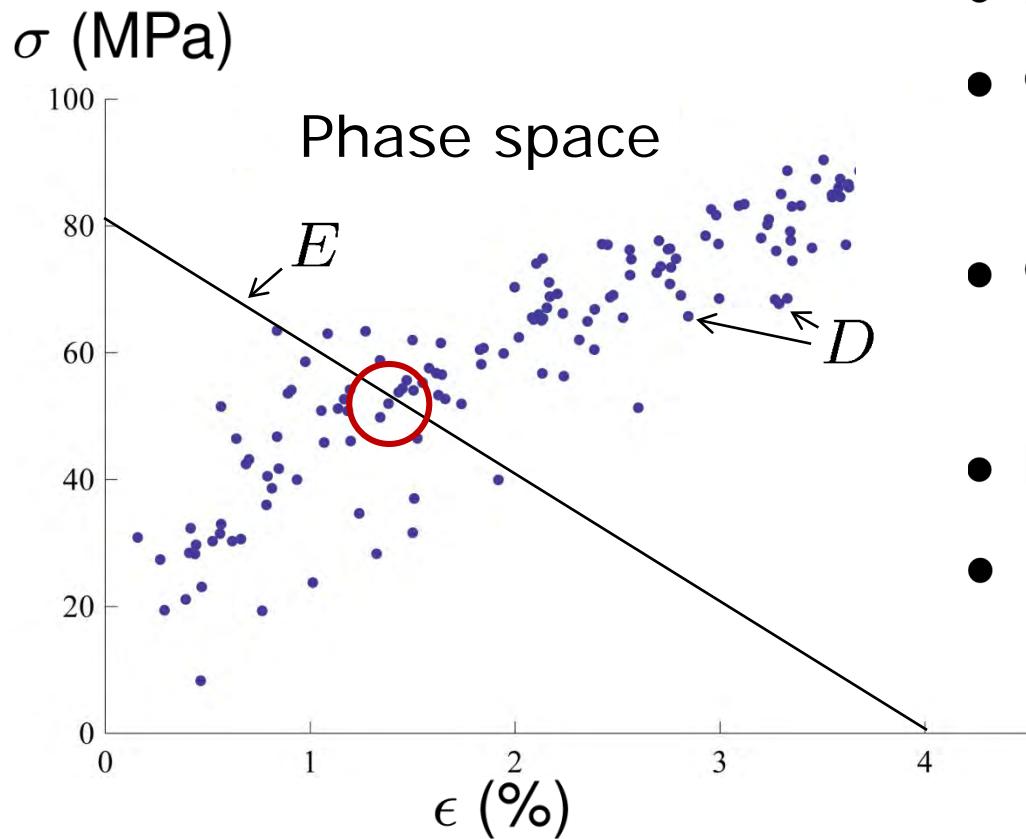
- *Critique of Model-Based computing*: Modeling results in loss of information, introduces biases, modeling error, epistemic uncertainty, is open-ended, *ad hoc*...
- Model-Free computing: *Cut out the middle man!*

The data, all the data, nothing but the data

# Data-Driven history-independent problems



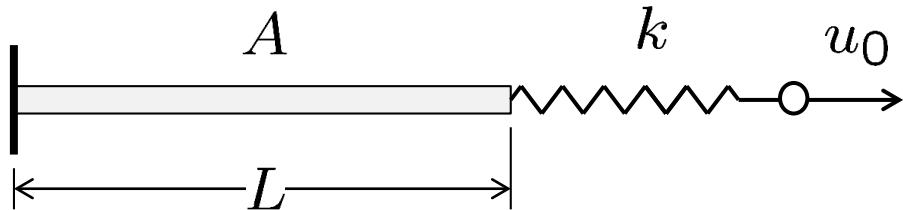
Problem: Bar actuated by loading device



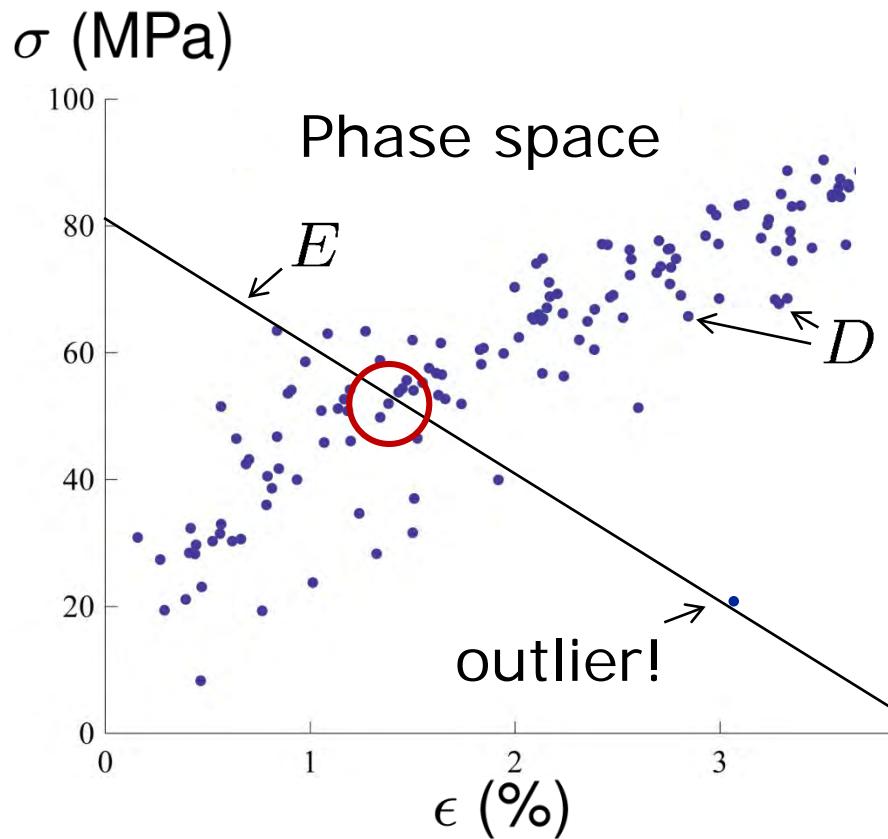
- Phase space:  $\{(\epsilon, \sigma)\} \equiv Z$
- Compatibility + equilibrium:  
$$\sigma A = k(u_0 - \epsilon L)$$
- Constraint set:  
$$E = \{\sigma A = k(u_0 - \epsilon L)\}$$
- Material data set:  $D \subset Z$
- Data-Driven solution:

$$\min_{z \in E} \text{dist}(z, D)$$

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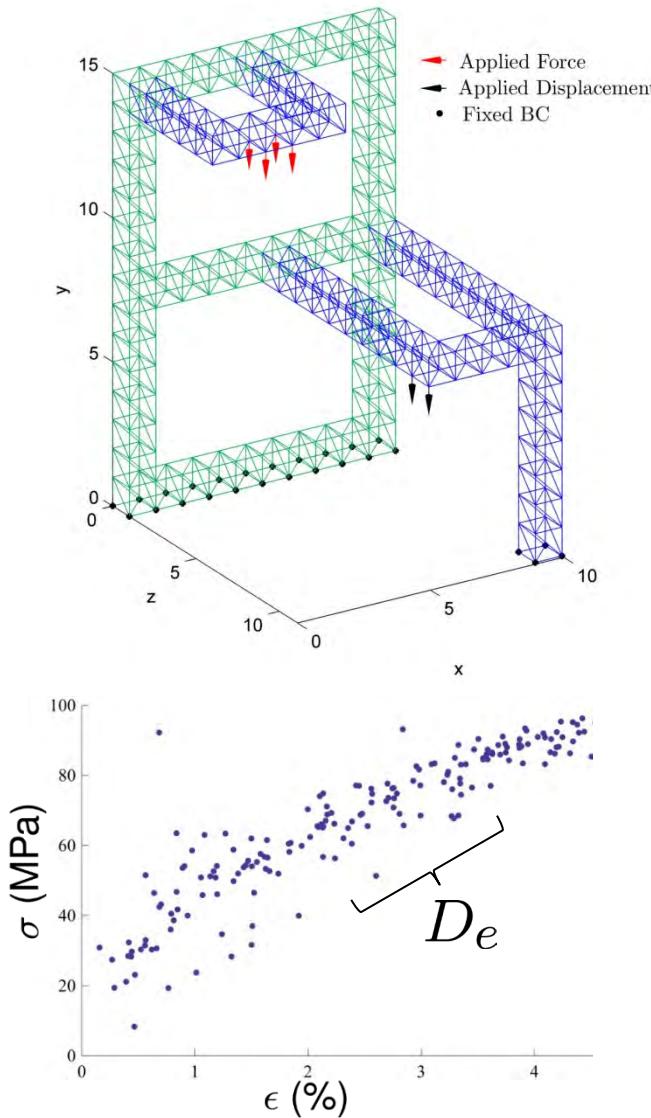
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- With outliers ( $k$ -means):

$$\min_{z \in E} \left( -\frac{1}{\beta} \log \sum_{i=1}^N e^{-\beta \text{dist}^2(y_i, z)} \right)$$

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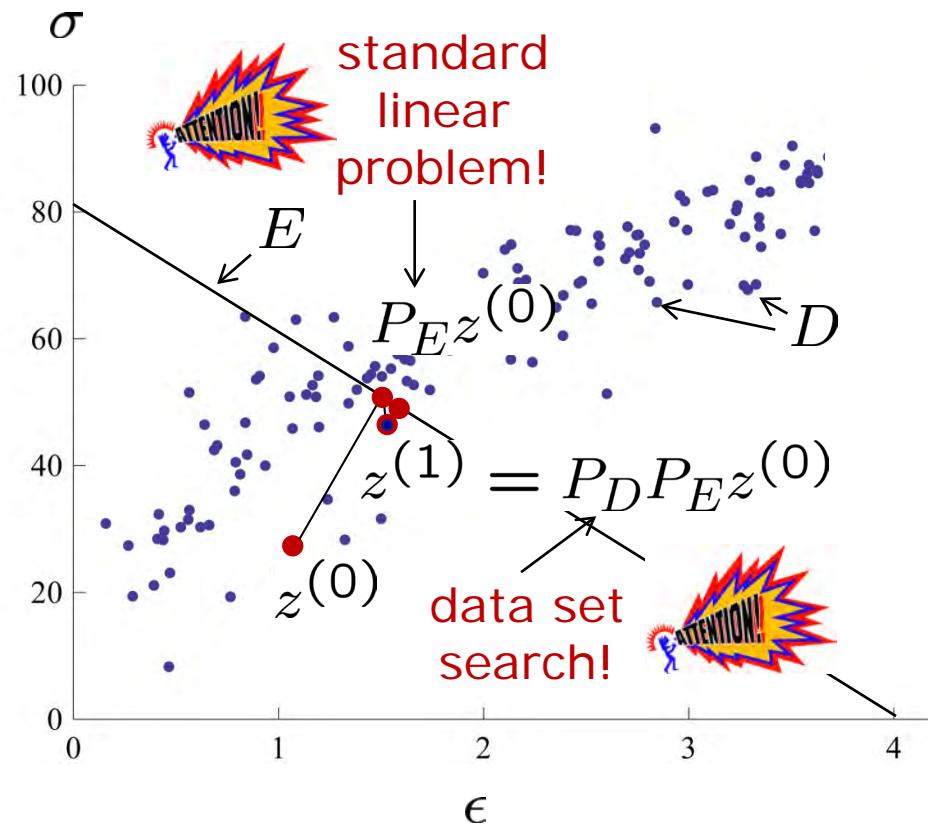
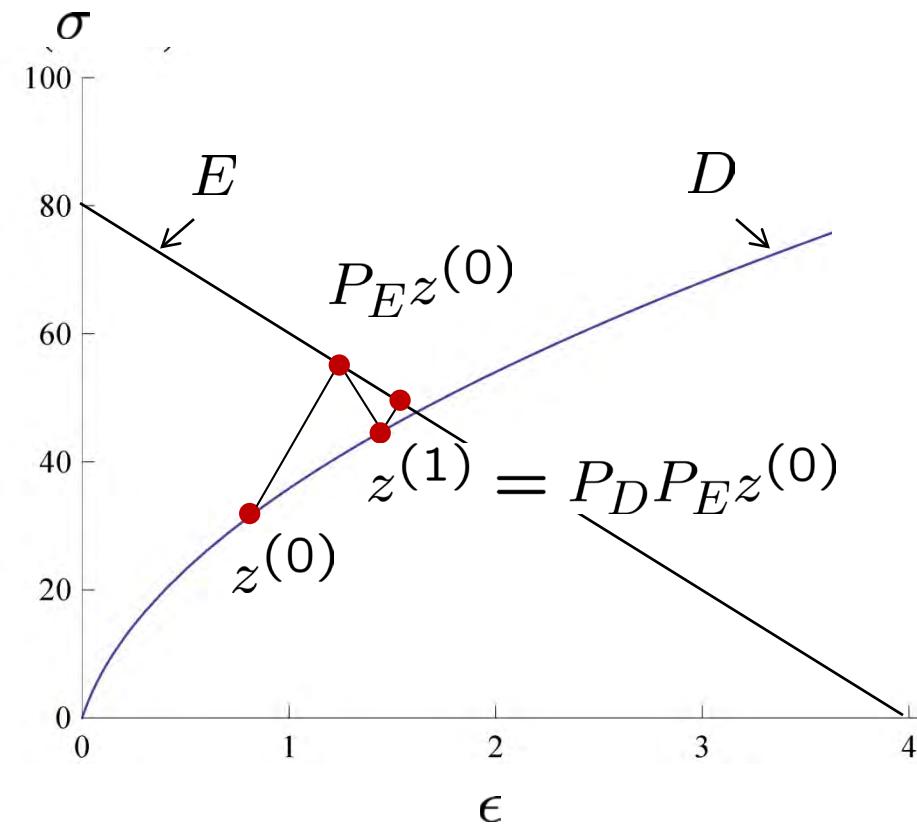
Problem: Structure under applied loads and displacements

- Phase space:  $\{(\epsilon_e, \sigma_e)_{e=1}^m\} \equiv Z$
- Compatibility + equilibrium:  
$$\epsilon = Bu, \quad B^T \sigma = f$$
- Constraint set:  
$$E = \{(\epsilon, \sigma) : \epsilon = Bu, \quad B^T \sigma = f\}$$
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# DD solvers: Fixed-point iteration

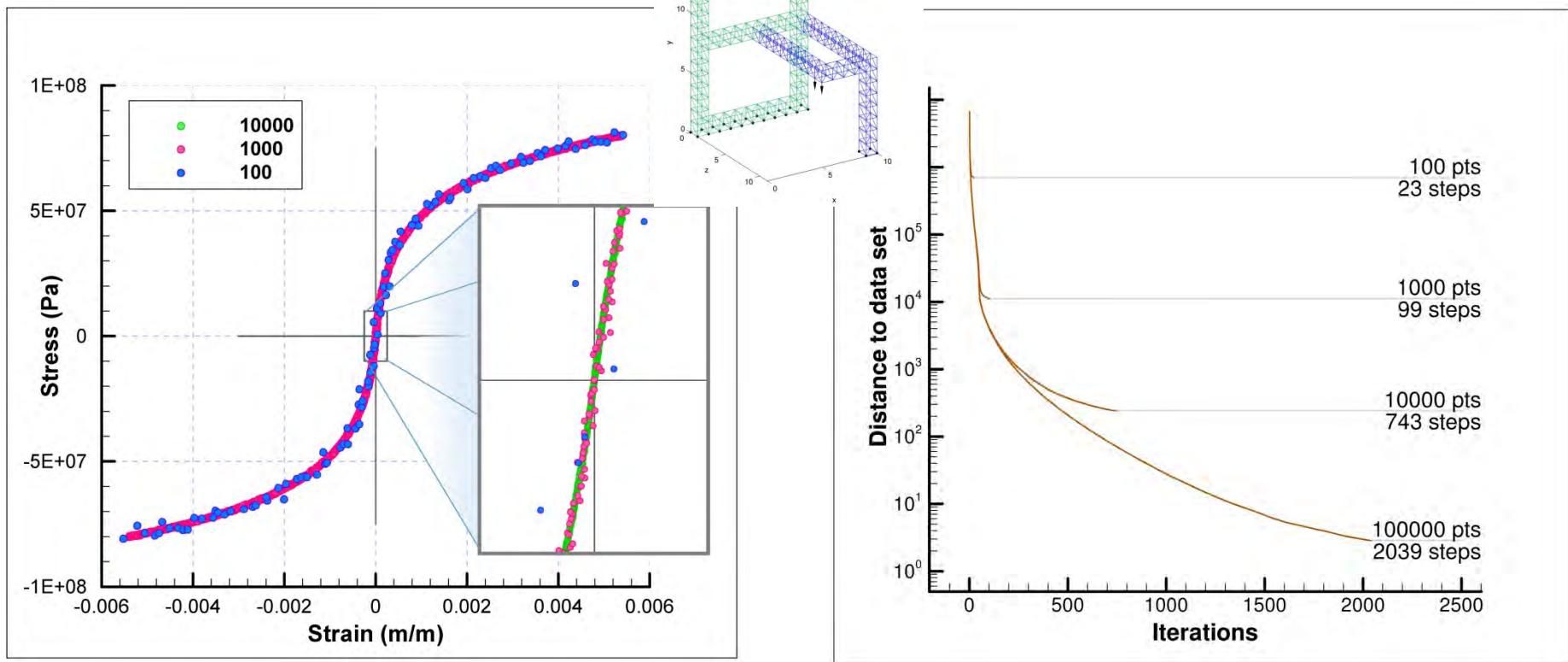
- Find:  $\operatorname{argmin}\{d(z, D), z \in E\}$
- Fixed-point iteration<sup>1</sup>:  $z^{(k+1)} = P_D P_E z^{(k)}$



<sup>1</sup>T. Kirchdoerfer and M. Ortiz (2015) arXiv:1510.04232.

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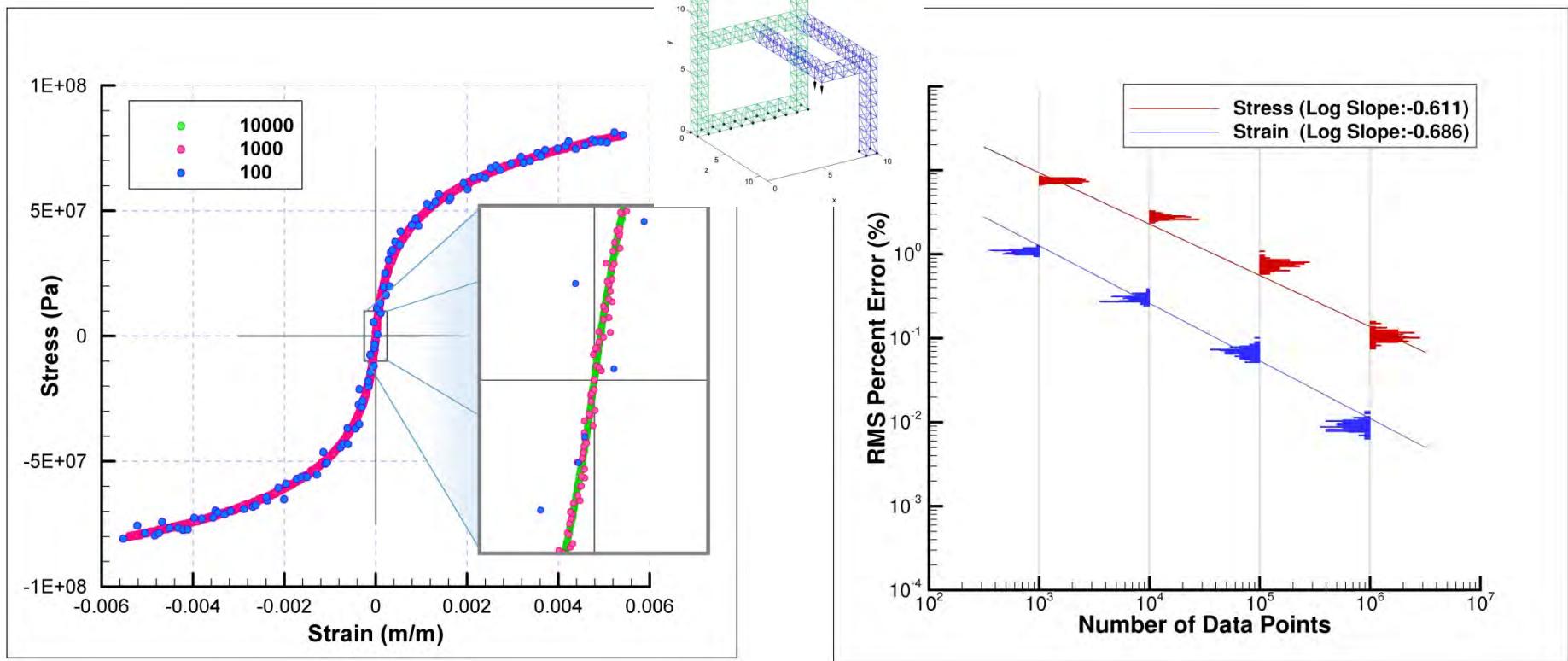
# Data-Driven solvers – Convergence



Sequence of  
uniformly converging data sets  
(increasing number of points,  
decreasing scatter)

*Convergence of fixed-point solver:*  
Each iteration requires two back-  
substitutions for standard linear  
systems and one material data  
search/member

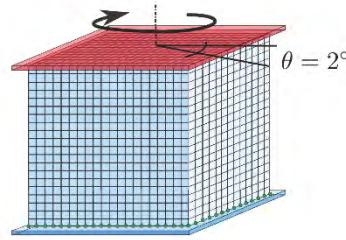
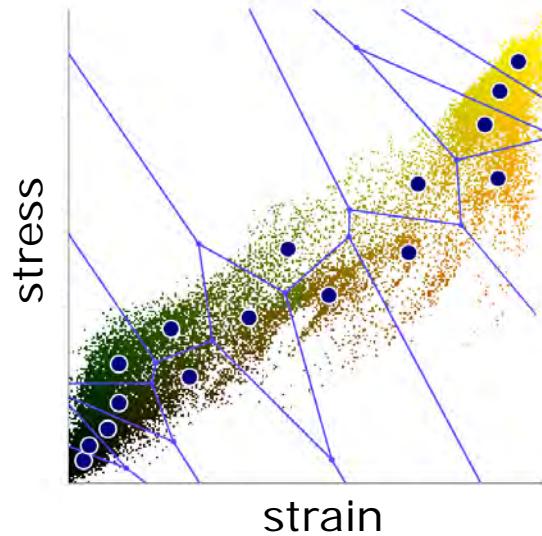
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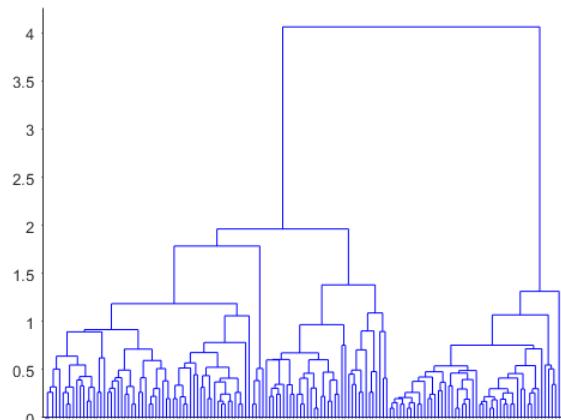
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*Convergence with respect to  
material data set* towards  
solution of limiting problem  
(nonlinear elasticity)

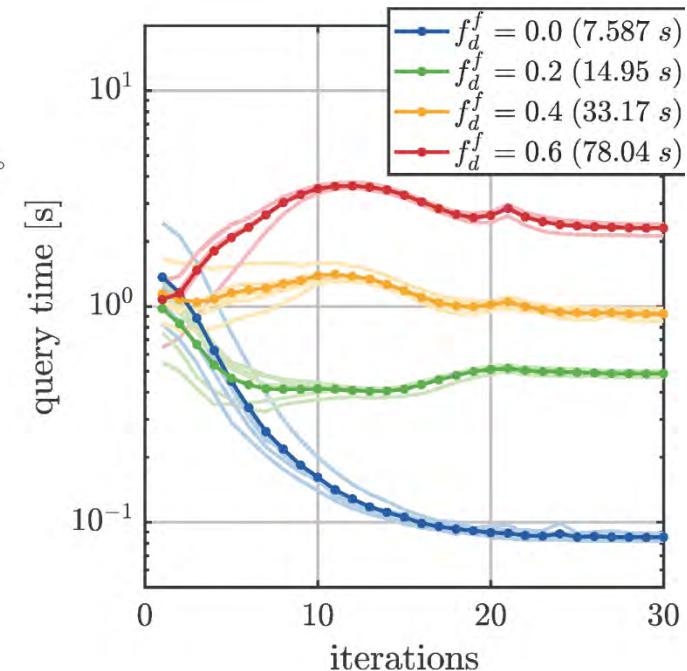
# Data-Driven history-independent problems



Test problem:  
Torsion of  
20x20x20 cube  
64000 matl pts



K-means hierarchical structure



- Test problem: Torsion of cube
- Mesh: 20x20x20, 64000 matl pts
- Material data set: **1 billion points**
- Approx ***k-means*** search, 0.1 secs
- ***Set-oriented machine learning!***
- We learn the ***structure of the data set***
- No regression, ***no loss of information!***

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# Data-Driven history-independent problems

- History-independent Data-Driven problems can be extended to the *PDE (infinite-dimensional)* setting:  
Linear elasticity<sup>1</sup>, finite elasticity<sup>2,3</sup>...
- Well-established *existence and uniqueness* properties<sup>1,2</sup> of solutions of Data-Driven BVPs
- *Relaxation, approximation,  $\Gamma$ -convergence*<sup>1,2</sup>
- *Convergence with respect to data*, deterministic<sup>1,2</sup> or stochastic (maximum likelihood<sup>4</sup>, inference<sup>5</sup>)
- *History-independent Data-Driven problems are in good shape. History-dependent materials?*

<sup>1</sup>Conti, S., Müller, S. & Ortiz, M., *ARMA*, **229** (2018) 79-123.

<sup>2</sup>S. Conti, S. Müller and M. Ortiz, *ARMA*, **237** (2020) 1–33.

<sup>3</sup>A. Platzer, A. Leygue, L. Stainier and M. Ortiz, *CMAME*, **379** (2021) 113756.

<sup>4</sup>T. Kirchdoerfer and M. Ortiz, *CMAME*, **326** (2017) 622-41.

<sup>5</sup>S. Conti, F. Hoffmann and M. Ortiz, *arXiv* (2021) 2106 02728.

# History-dependent problems

## Plasticity applications - Crashworthiness



Frontal crash test of  
Volvo C30



Frontal crash test of  
Chevrolet Venture



Offset frontal crash test of  
1998 Toyota Sienna



Side-impact test of  
1996 Ford Explorer vs.  
2000 Ford Focus



Source: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crash\\_test](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crash_test)

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# History-dependent problems

## Plasticity applications - Manufacturing



Metal ingot after forging



Deep-drawing of  
blank metal sheet  
(source: ThomasNet)



Lathe cutting metal  
from workpiece



Cold rolling  
of steel



Sources: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Forging>  
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<http://www.kanabco.com/vms/library.html>

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# History-dependent problems

## Plasticity applications – Metallic structures



Plastic buckling of storage tank,  
1999 Kocaeli earthquake  
(PEER 2000/09, Dec. 2000)

Mid-story collapse,  
1995 Kobe earthquake  
(EQE Summary Rep., 1995)

# History-dependent problems

## Plasticity applications –Geotechnical engr.



Some effects of liquefaction after  
the [1964 Niigata earthquake](#)  
(Source: Wikipedia)



Foundation Weakening Due to  
Soil Liquefaction after  
1999 Adapazari earthquake,  
Turkey (Source: USGS)

- Plasticity: history-dependent, irreversible, hysteretic
- *Data-Driven solvers for history-dependent problems?*

# History-dependent materials

- Goal: Extend the Data-Driven paradigm to inelastic materials whose response is *history dependent*.

*"The characteristic property of inelastic solids which distinguishes them from elastic solids is the fact that the stress measured at time  $t$  depends not only on the instantaneous value of the deformation but also on the entire history of deformation<sup>1</sup>."*

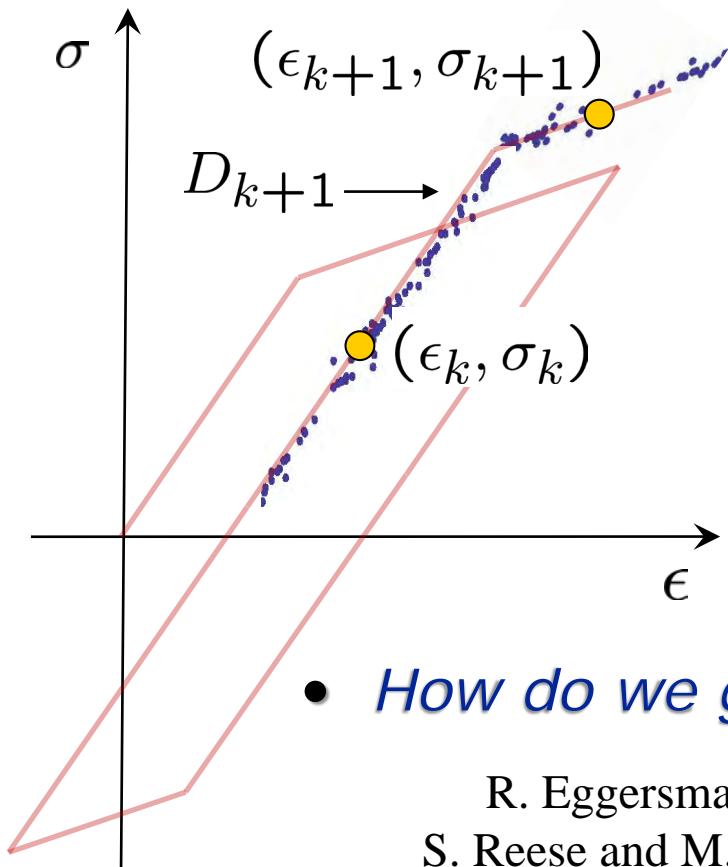
- The theory of *materials with memory* furnishes the most general representation of inelastic materials.
- Alternative: Replace history by the effects of history, the current *microstructure* (internal state)
- *Instead: Develop Data-Driven representations that are internal-variable-free (path-based)! How?*

<sup>1</sup> R. S. Rivlin, "Materials with memory." *Tech. Rep. AD-753 460*, ONR, 1972.

# Data-Driven history-dependent problems

- *Incremental material set*: Set of points in phase space *accessible* from  $(\epsilon_k, \sigma_k)$  given prior history:

$$D_{k+1} = \{(\epsilon_{k+1}, \sigma_{k+1}) : (\epsilon_k, \sigma_k), \text{ history}\}$$



- Data-driven problem:

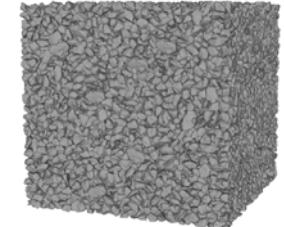
$$\min_{z \in E_{k+1}} d(z, D_{k+1})$$

- Need *material history data!* (from material testing along selected loading paths...)
  - History data must provide adequate *path coverage*...
- *How do we generate, store, structure, path data?*

# Incremental plasticity in phase space

- Summary of governing equations:
  - *Coleman-Noll equilibrium relations,*

$$d(A + A^* - \sigma \cdot \epsilon + \eta \theta + p \cdot q) = 0$$



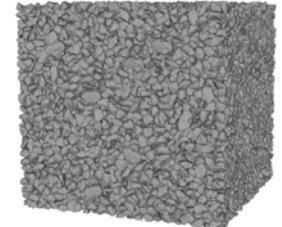
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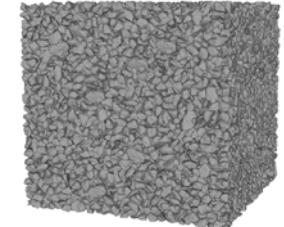
- *Convex analysis* view of plasticity
- Pioneered by *Giulio Maier* at the Politecnico di Milano, and others (Martin, Ponter, Symonds, Moreau...), especially in the area of structural mechanics



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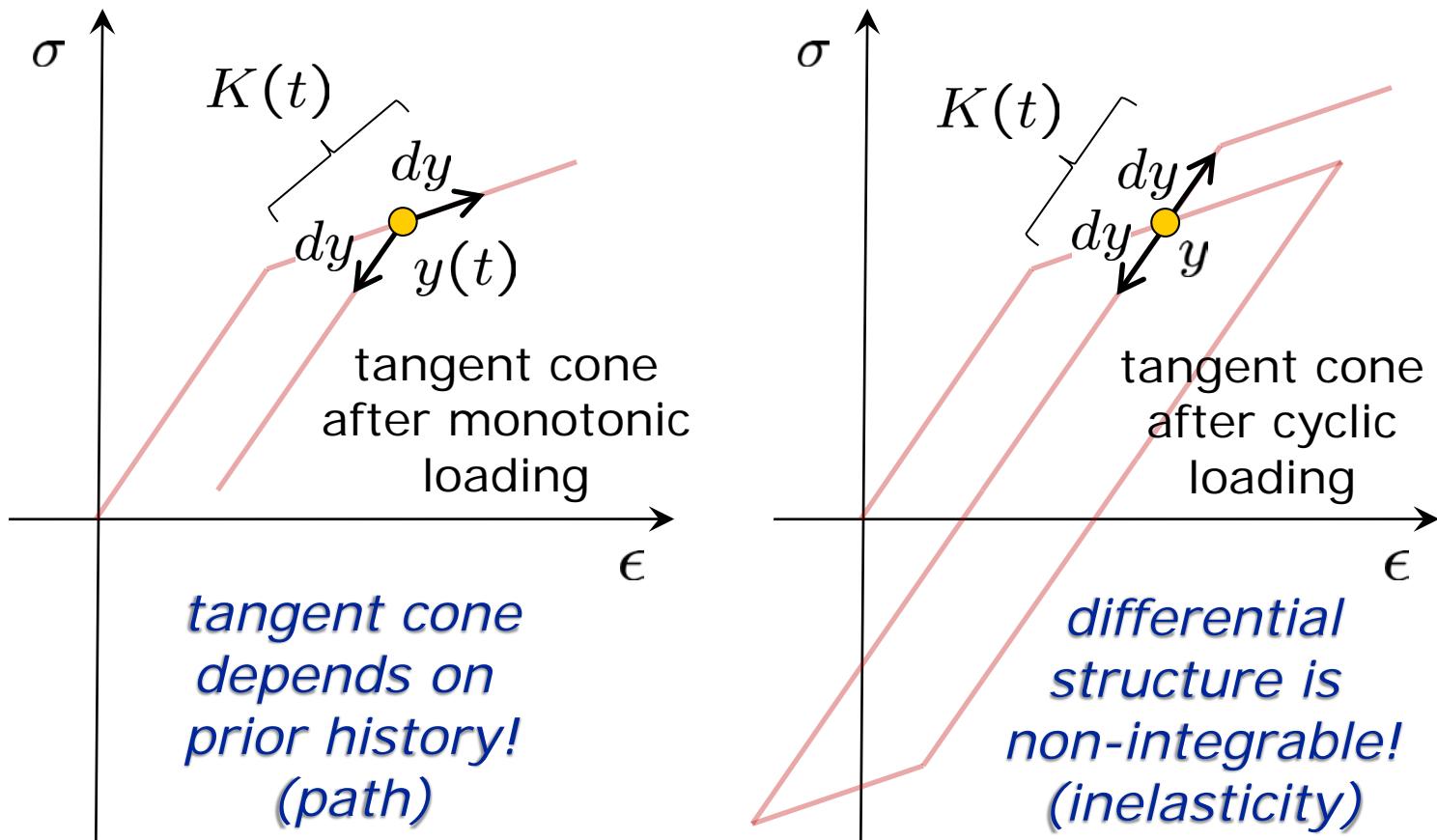
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- *Eliminate*  $(dq, dp) \Rightarrow$  *tangent cone*

$$K(t) = \{ dy = (d\epsilon, d\theta; d\sigma, d\eta) \text{ 'out of } y(t)' \}$$

- *Tangent cone:* Collection of possible *connections* between neighboring points in phase space
- Defines a (non-integrable) *differential form*
- Solutions are the *integral curves* (trajectories)

# Incremental plasticity in phase space



- *Differential view of plasticity*: Points in phase space and '*connections*' between neighboring points defining possible incremental moves...

# *Carathéodory's view of plasticity*

SIAM J. APPL. MATH.  
Vol. 25, No. 4, December 1973

C. Carathéodory  
Berlin, 1873  
Munich, 1950



## **CARATHEODORY'S THEOREM ON THE SECOND LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS\***

E. C. ZACHMANOGLOU†

**1. Introduction and statement of results.** We consider the Pfaffian differential equation

$$(1) \quad a^1(x) dx_1 + \cdots + a^n(x) dx_n = 0,$$

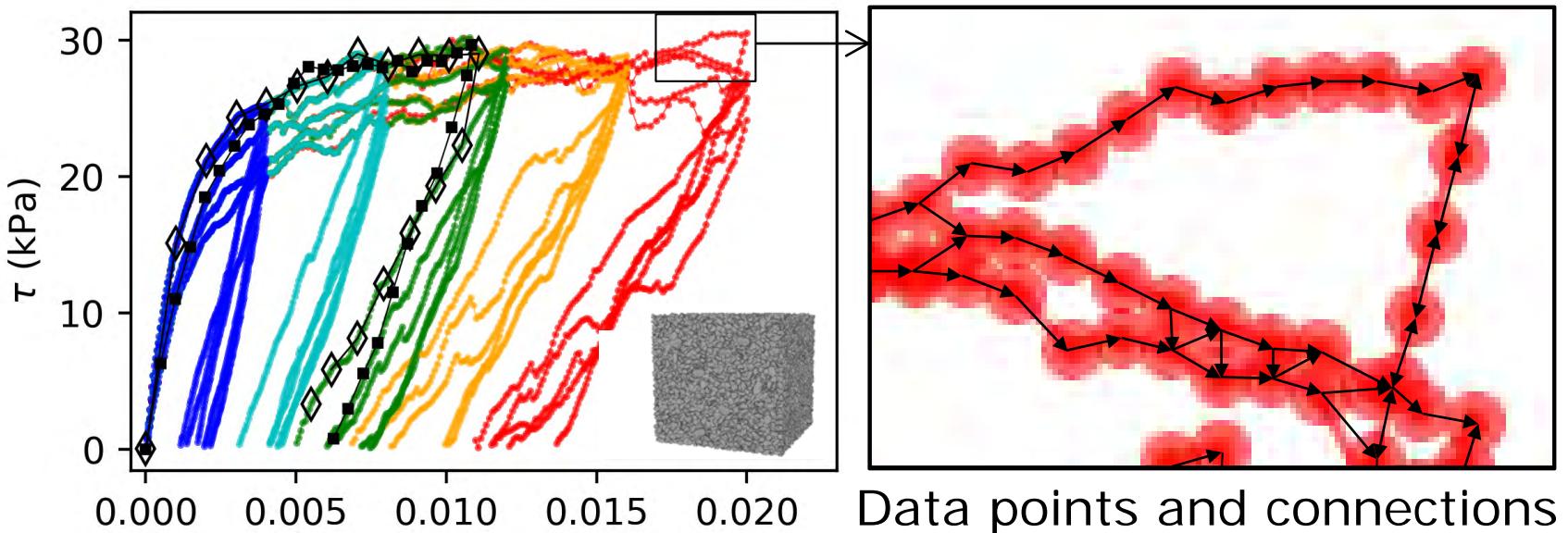
where the coefficients  $a^1, \dots, a^n$  are real-valued  $C^\infty$  functions in some open set  $\Omega$  in  $R^n$  and do not vanish simultaneously at any point  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  of  $\Omega$ . An integral curve of (1) is any solution  $x = x(t)$  of the differential equation

$$(2) \quad a^1(x) \frac{dx_1}{dt} + \cdots + a^n(x) \frac{dx_n}{dt} = 0,$$

and a trajectory of (1) is a piecewise  $C^\infty$  curve, each  $C^\infty$  piece of which is an integral curve of (1).

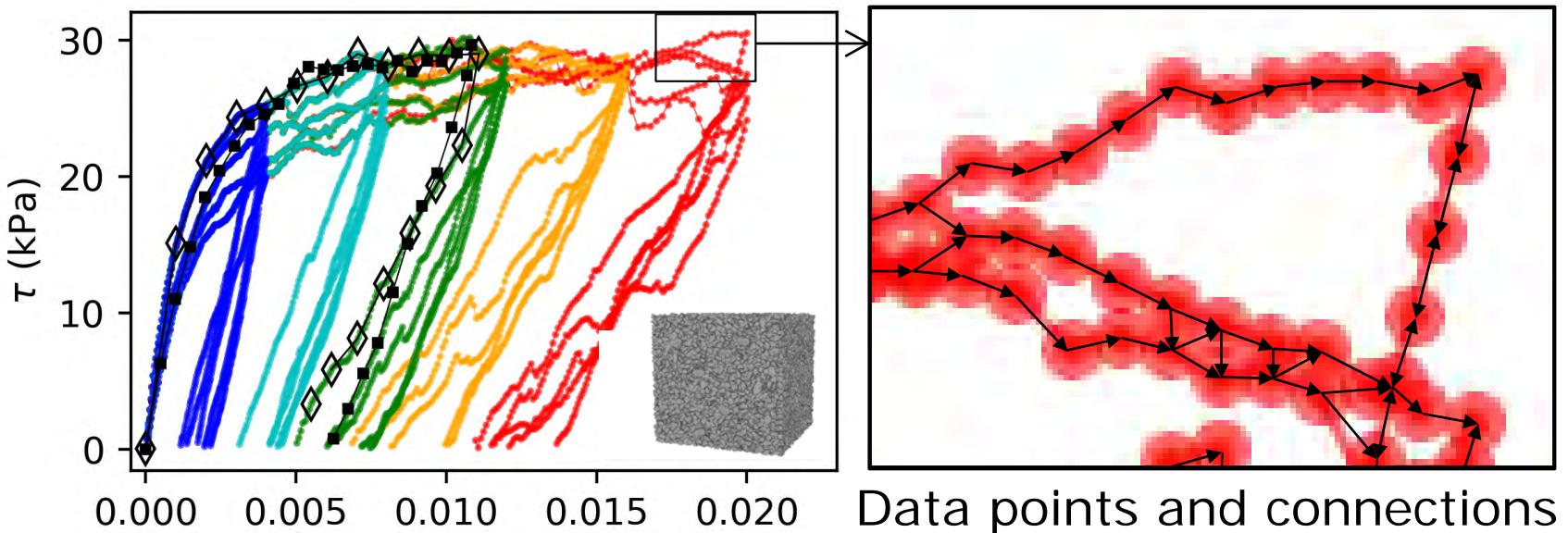
An integral surface of (1) is any  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional surface which envelopes the field of surface elements defined by  $a = (a^1, \dots, a^n)$ . When  $n = 2$  the concepts

# Building path data from micromechanics



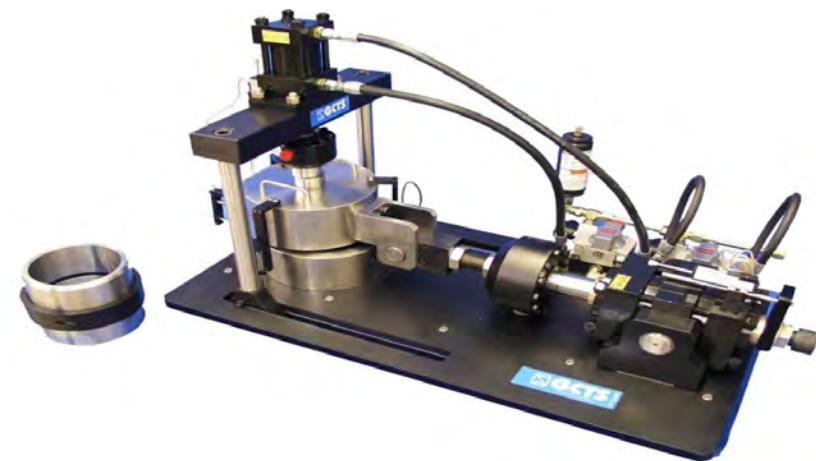
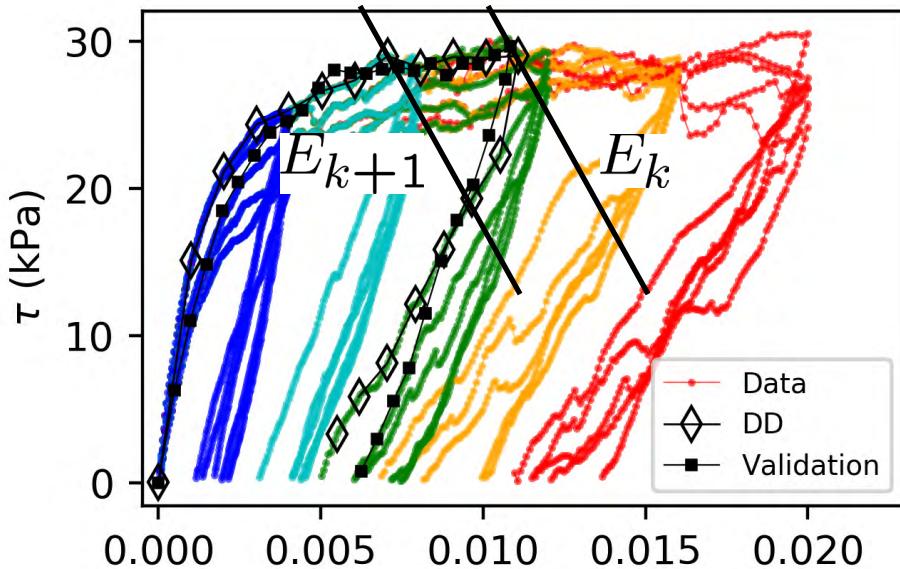
- i) Evaluate RVE for selected loading paths
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# Incremental Data-Driven plasticity problem



Direct shear test device

- *Material data set: Directed graphs in phase space!*
- Incremental material data set:

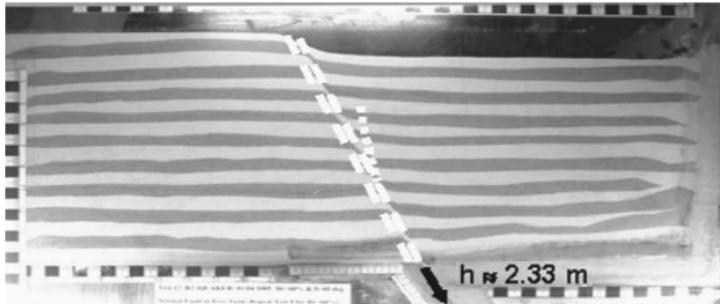
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- Data-driven problem: 
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- *Path dependence, loading/unloading irreversibility!*

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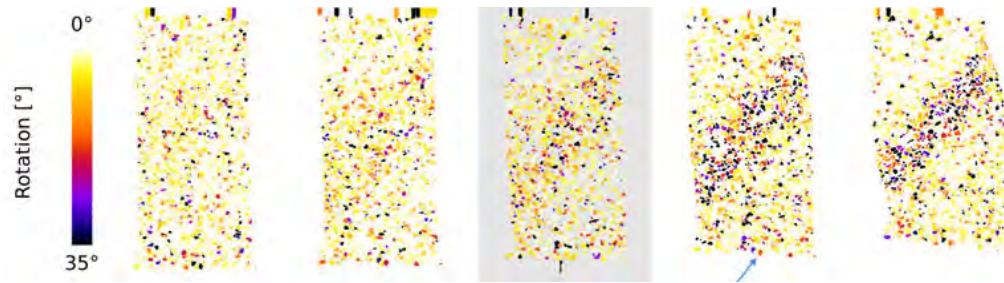
# Test case – Data-Driven sand mechanics



Fault rupture experiment in sandbox configuration.<sup>1</sup>

Sand is pluviated into a 10m x 30m container. A piston forces right half to subside, inducing fault rupture at 30° to horizontal

<sup>1</sup>Anastasopoulos, I., *et al.*, *J. Geotech. Geoenviron. Eng.*, **133** (2007) 943–958.

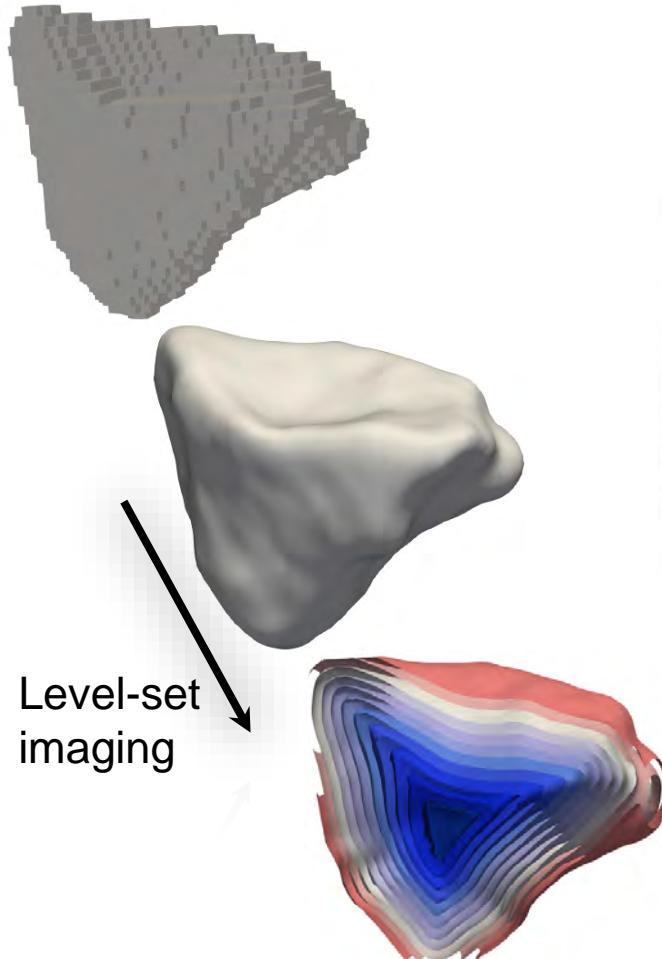


Triaxial compression test,<sup>2</sup> angular Hostun sand, 100 kPa confining pressure, 11 mm x 22 mm samples in latex membrane. Particles tracked by XRMT. Failure occurs by shear banding

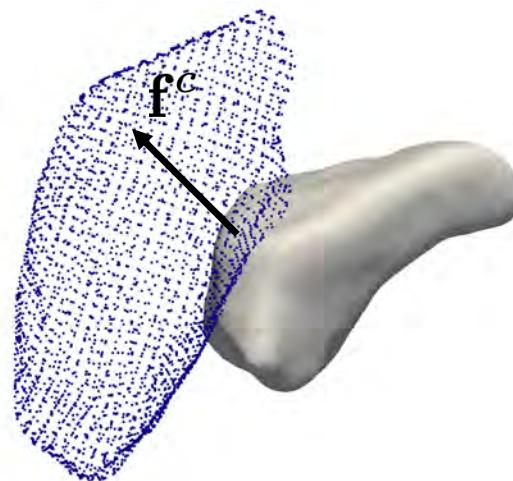
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# Virtual experiments with LS-DEM

Morphology



Grain-grain interaction

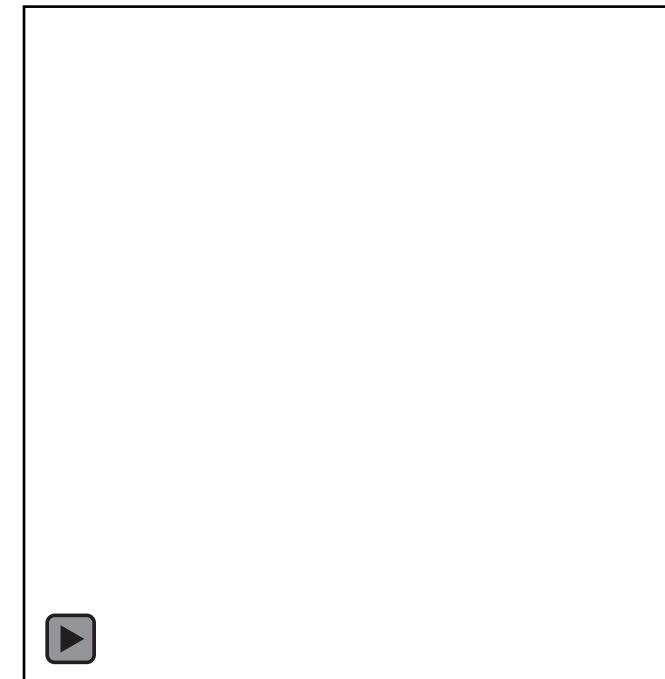


$$\mathbf{f}^c = \mathbf{f}_n^c + \mathbf{f}_t^c$$

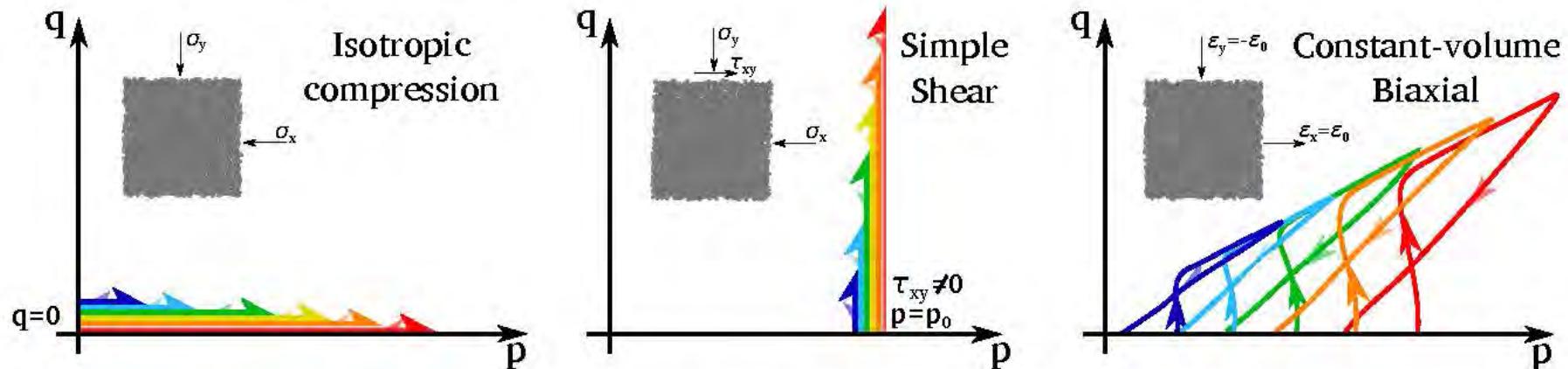
$\mathbf{f}_n^c$  : Hertzian

$\mathbf{f}_t^c$  : Coulomb

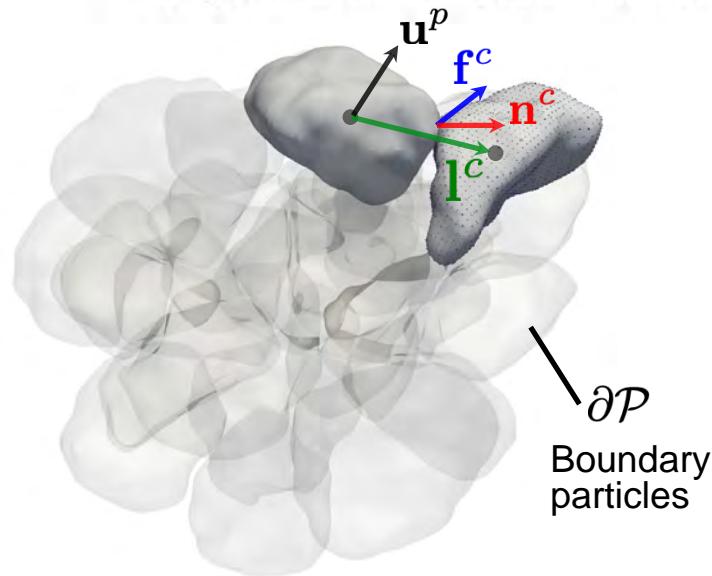
RVE generation



# Hastun angular sand – Path sampling

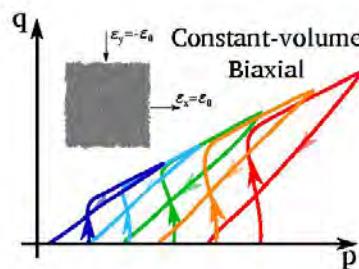
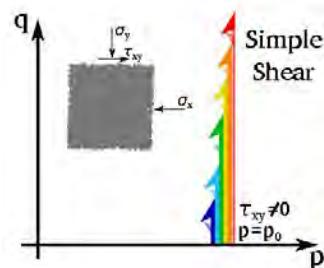
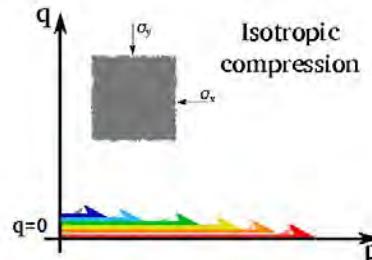


Selected paths for building the material data repository

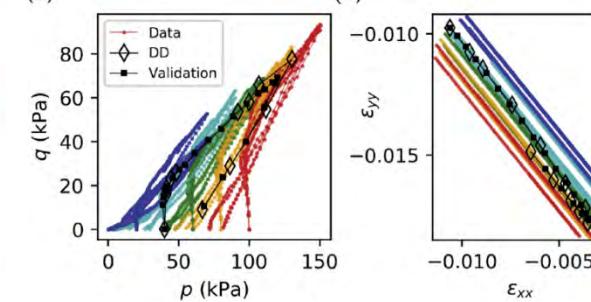
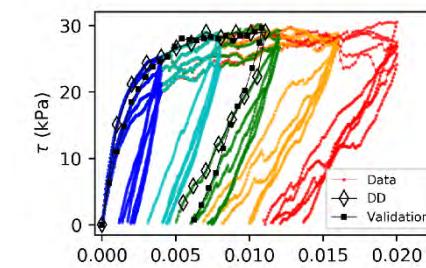
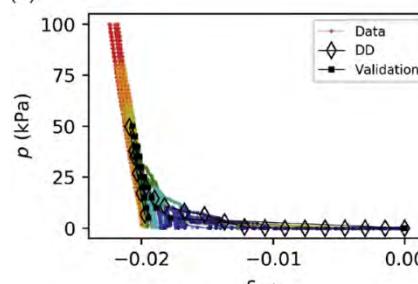


$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{2V} \text{sym} \left( \sum_{p \in \partial\mathcal{P}} \mathbf{u}^p \otimes \mathbf{n}^p \right) \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \frac{1}{V} \text{sym} \left( \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \mathbf{f}^c \otimes \mathbf{l}^c \right) \\ \mathcal{A} = \sum_c \mathcal{A}^c = \frac{1}{2V} \sum_c \left( \frac{\|\mathbf{f}_n^c\|^2}{k_n} + \frac{\|\mathbf{f}_t^c\|^2}{k_t} \right) \\ d\mathcal{D} = \sum_c d\mathcal{D}^c = \frac{1}{V} \sum_c \mathbf{f}_t^c \cdot d\mathbf{u}^{c, \text{slip}} \end{array} \right]$$

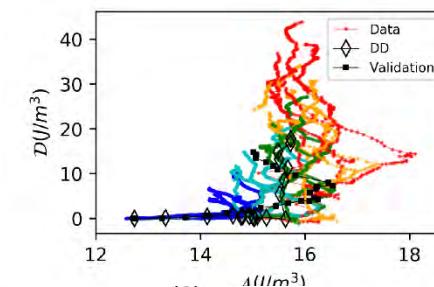
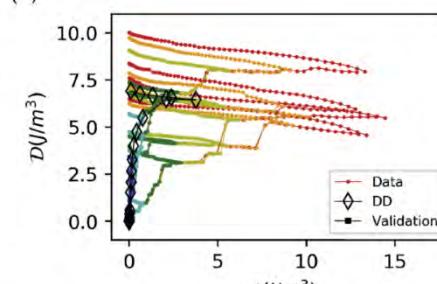
# Hastun angular sand – Path sampling



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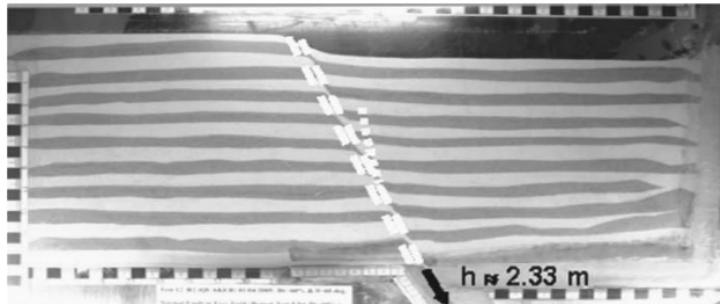
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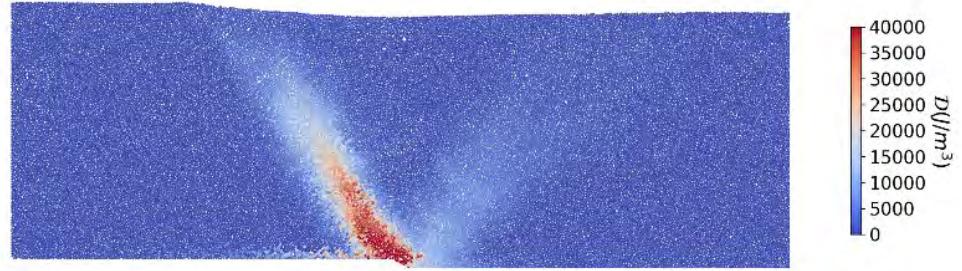
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Compilation of path data for Hastun angular sand  
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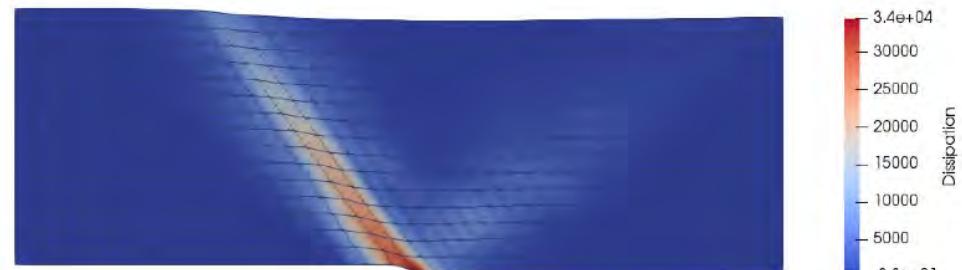
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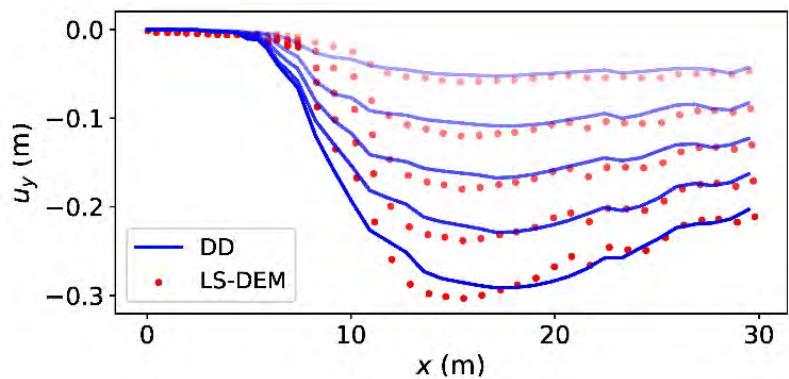
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LS-DEM simulation

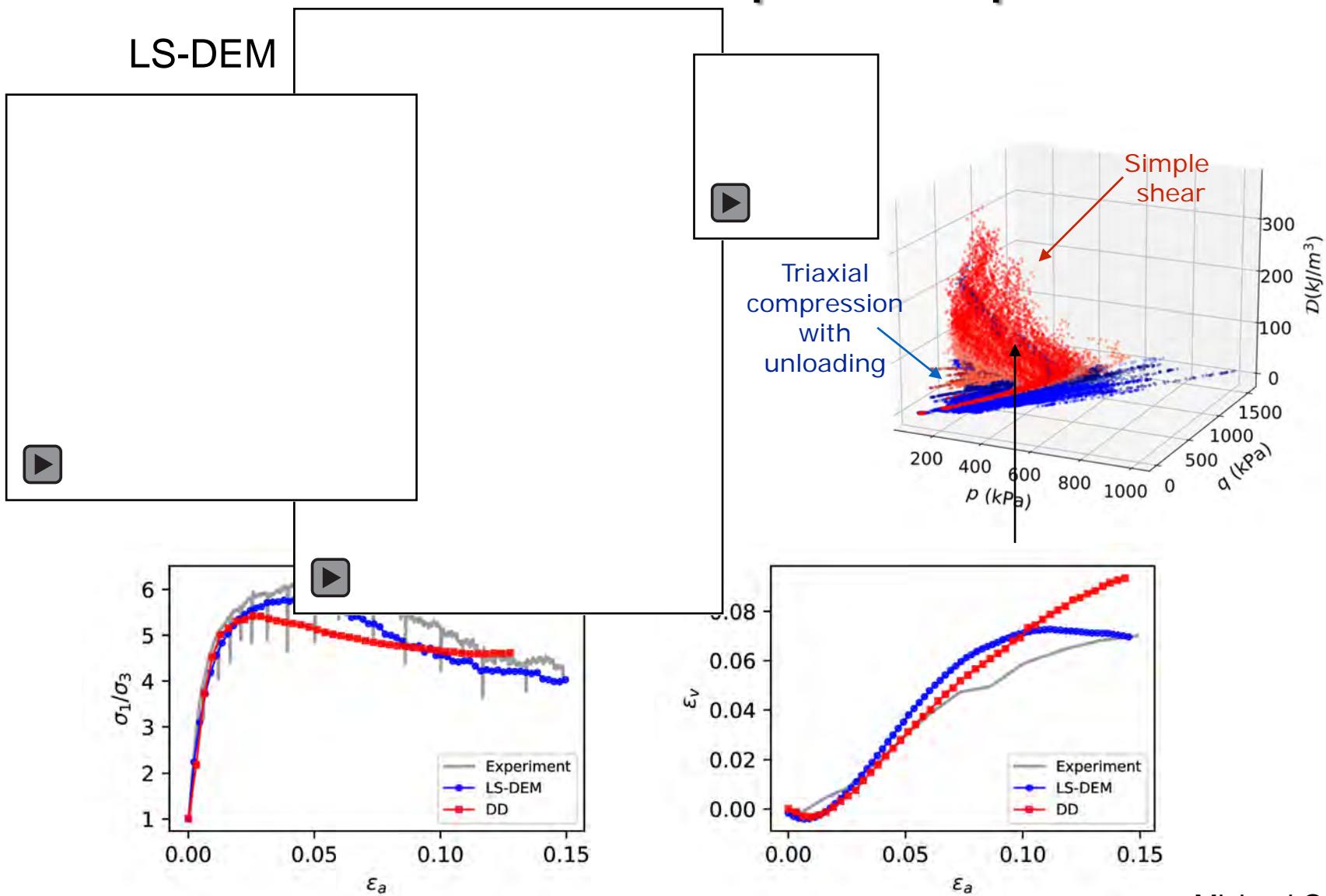


Data-Driven simulation



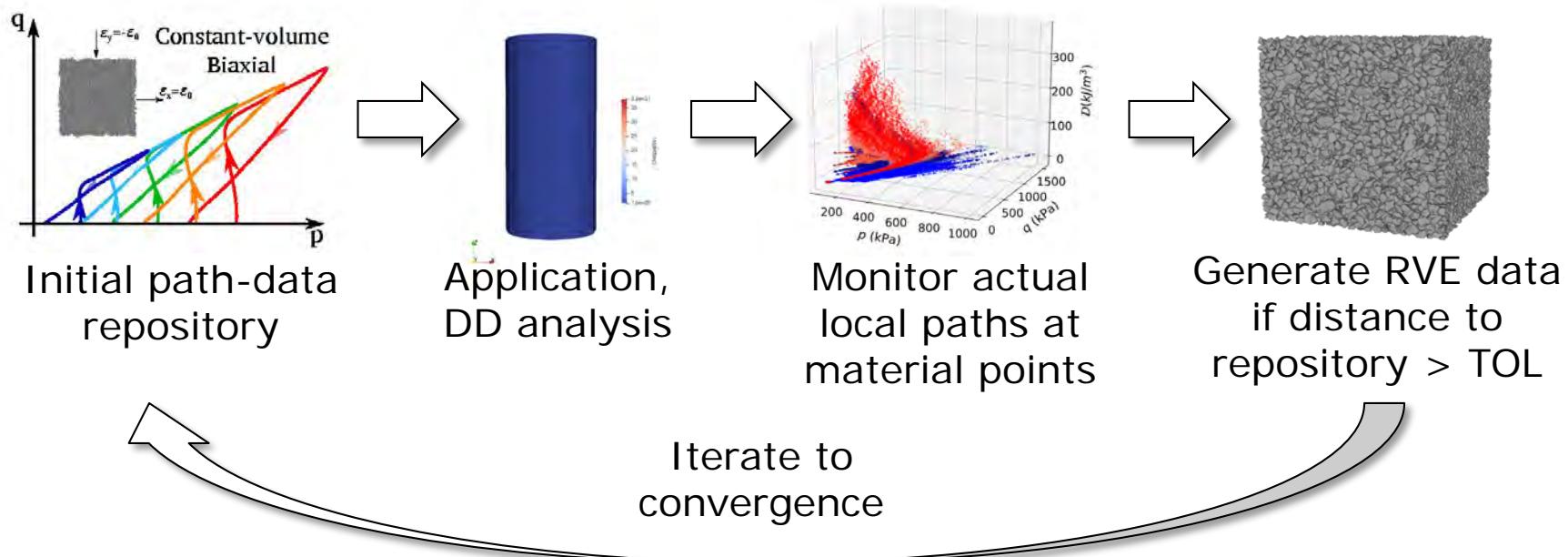
Evolution of surface settlement  
LS-DEM vs. DD simulations

# Data-Driven – Fault rupture experiment

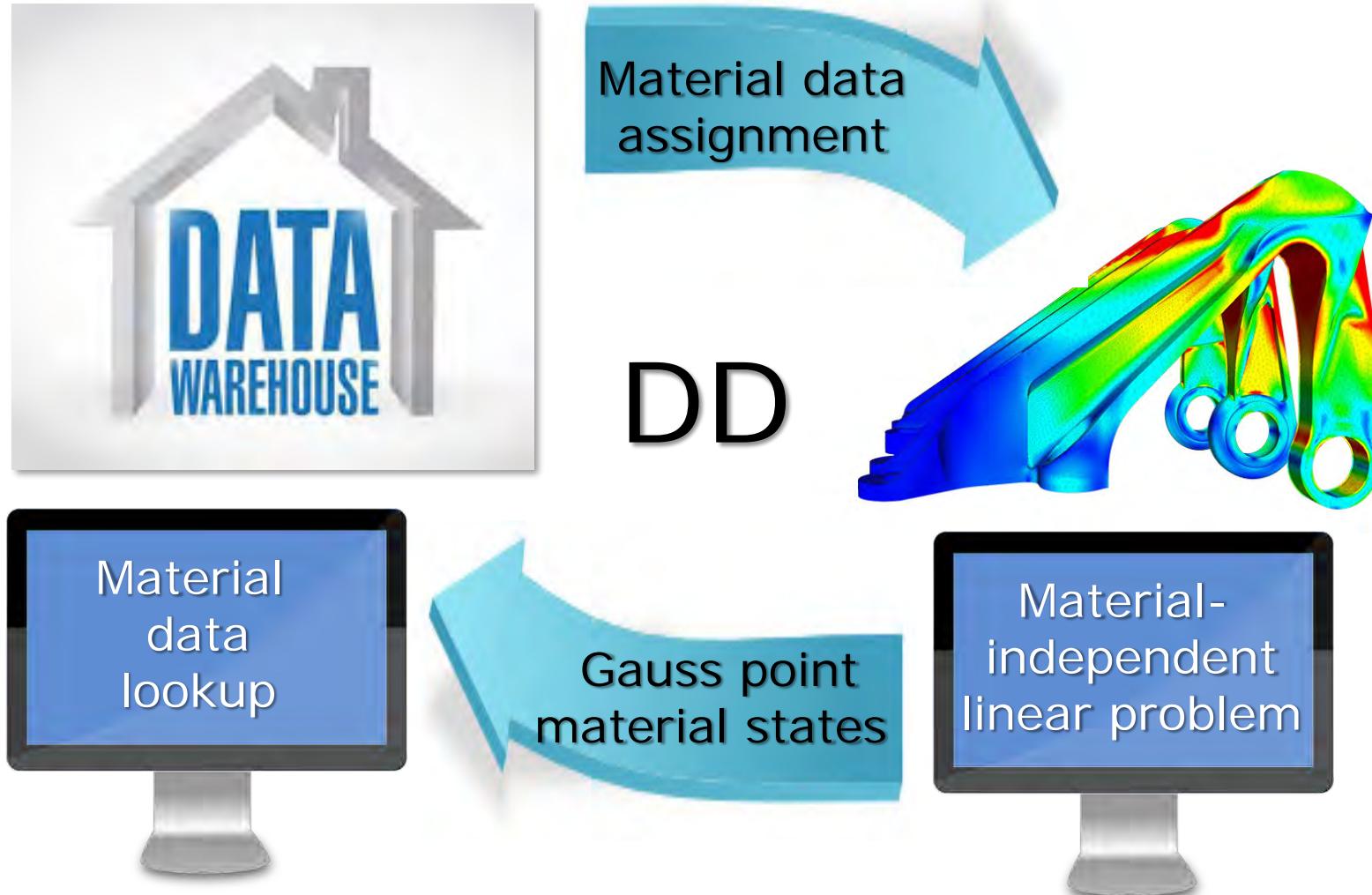


# Path selection, coverage, convergence

- Path coverage must be *goal oriented* (tailored to specific problems, cannot sample entire path-space)
- *Main path types* are often known beforehand for specific problems (initial path-data repository)
- DD is *self-correcting* (reinforcement learning):



# Concluding remarks

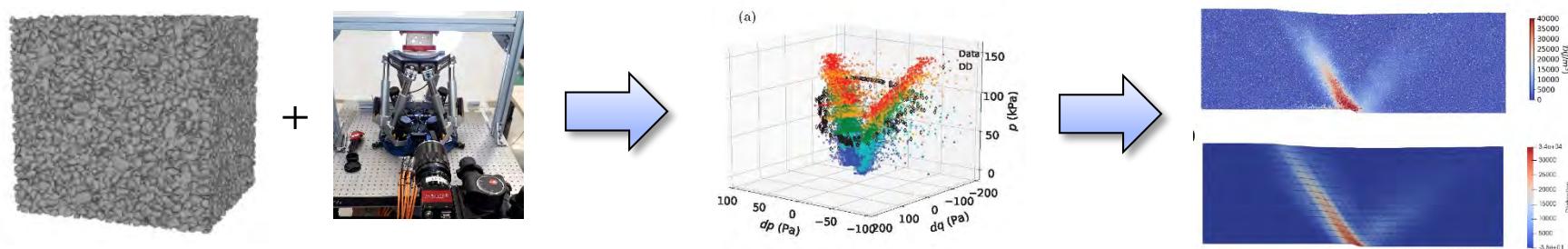


The Data-Driven information flow

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# Concluding remarks

- *It is possible to formulate DD approximation schemes for history-dependent materials that are model-free and internal-variable free*
- *Path data for rate-independent plasticity has the structure of directed graphs in phase space*
- *DD sets forth new opportunities for synergism between experimental science and scientific computing, new multiscale analysis paradigm*



- *Model-free DD mechanics represents a paradigm shift in material data management and exchange in the mechanics of materials community*

# Concluding remarks

Thank you!