

CIVIL-408

Multiscale Modeling in Mechanics

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Week 12

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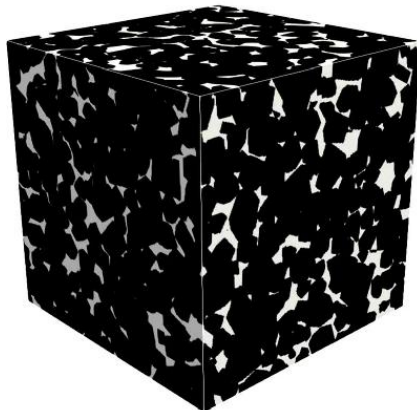
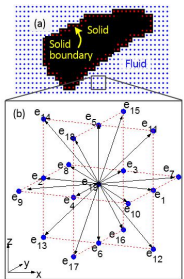
Rocks

Microscale:

Fully resolved pore-scale fluid simulations using a kinetic-theoretic approach (LBM)

$$\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial t} + e_i \cdot \nabla f_i = C_i$$

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Particle distribution

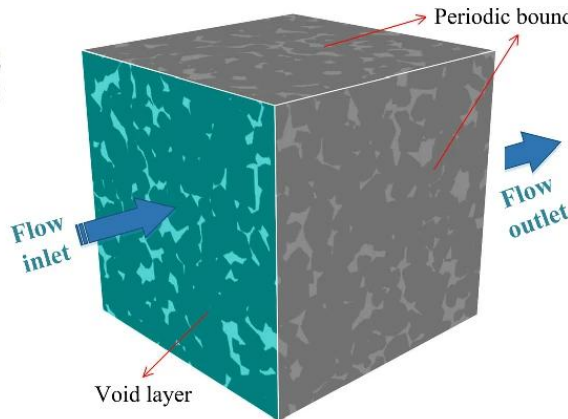


Hill-Mandel



Dissipation consistency

RVE must be statistically representative!

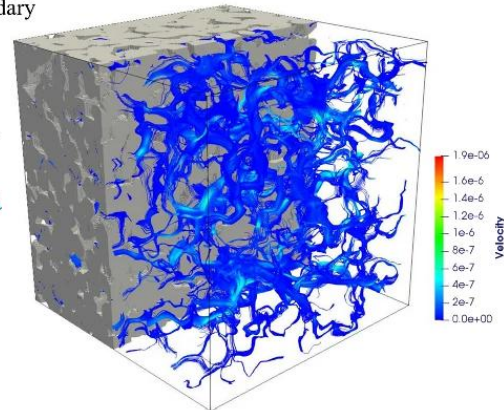


Macroscale:

Darcy flow. Impose pressure differential, measure velocities, and use them to get effective permeability

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi \rho^f) + \nabla_x \cdot (\rho^f \mathbf{q}^f) = Q^f$$

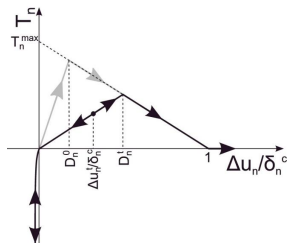
$$\mathbf{q}^f = -\frac{\mathbf{k}}{\mu} \nabla p \rightarrow k_x = -\frac{\mu}{\nabla_x p} \langle q_x \rangle$$



Rocks with cohesive interfaces

Microscale:

Grains separated by interfaces which open according to a cohesive law.



Assumption: Characteristic fluid timescale at microscale \ll macroscale
 → Steady-state laminar flow at microscale

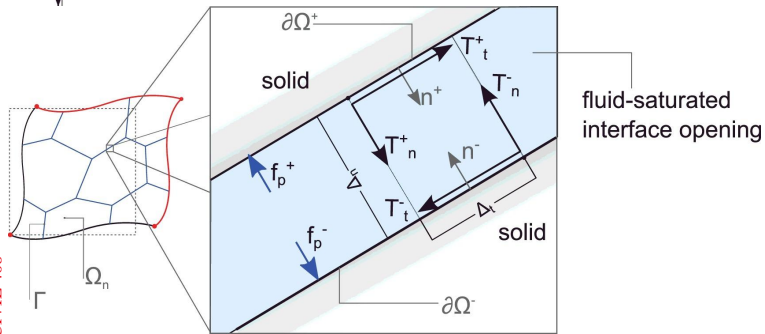
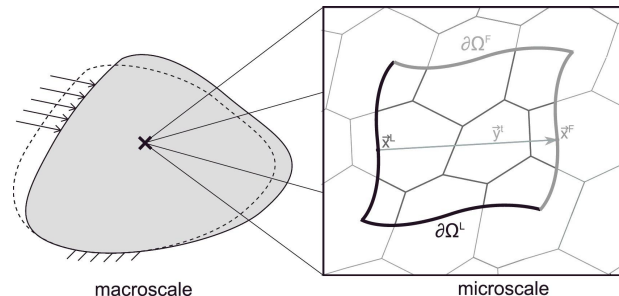
Macroscale:

Darcy flow with effective permeability upscaled from the microscale

$$\sigma^M = \frac{1}{V} \int_{\partial V} \mathbf{t} \otimes \mathbf{x} dS$$

$$\nabla p^M = \frac{1}{V} \int_{\partial V} p^m \mathbf{n} dS$$

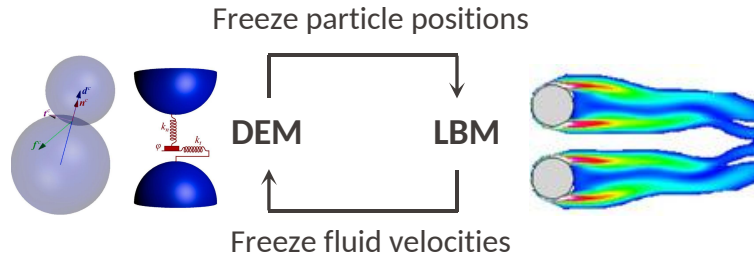
↑
Hydraulic pressure



Homogenization for poromechanics

Saturated granular materials

The same methodology can be applied to granular assemblies by coupling DEM with a fluid solver e.g. **Lattice Boltzmann (LBM)**.

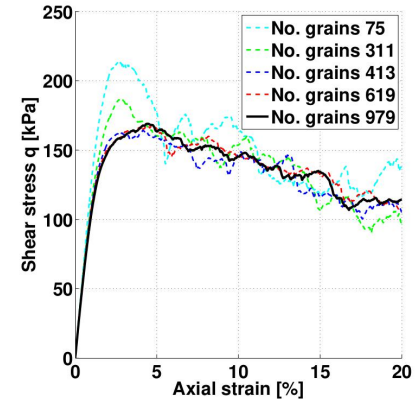
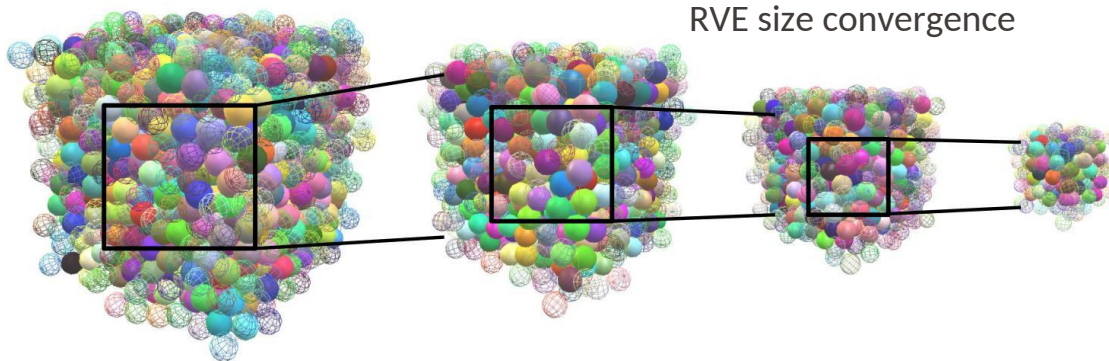


Macroscopic permeability:

$$k_x = -\frac{\mu}{\nabla_x p} \langle q_x \rangle$$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{V} \sum_c l^c \otimes f^c - p^l I$$

Can be extended to deformable skeleton!



Unsaturated granular materials

The methodology can be extended to unsaturated granular materials via a multiphase fluid solver.

Fully saturated without flow

Pore space is filled with pressurized liquid.

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_c \mathbf{l}^c \otimes \mathbf{f}^c - p^l \mathbf{I}$$

↑
Pore pressure

Unsaturated

Pore space is filled with liquid and gas, each with their own pressure.

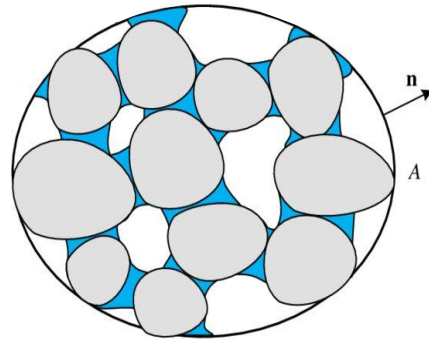
Case of high saturation ratio:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_c \mathbf{l}^c \otimes \mathbf{f}^c - p^l \mathbf{I}$$

Case of low saturation ratio:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_c \mathbf{l}^c \otimes (\mathbf{f}^c + \mathbf{r}^c) - p^g \mathbf{I}$$

↑
Capillary force exerted by menisci

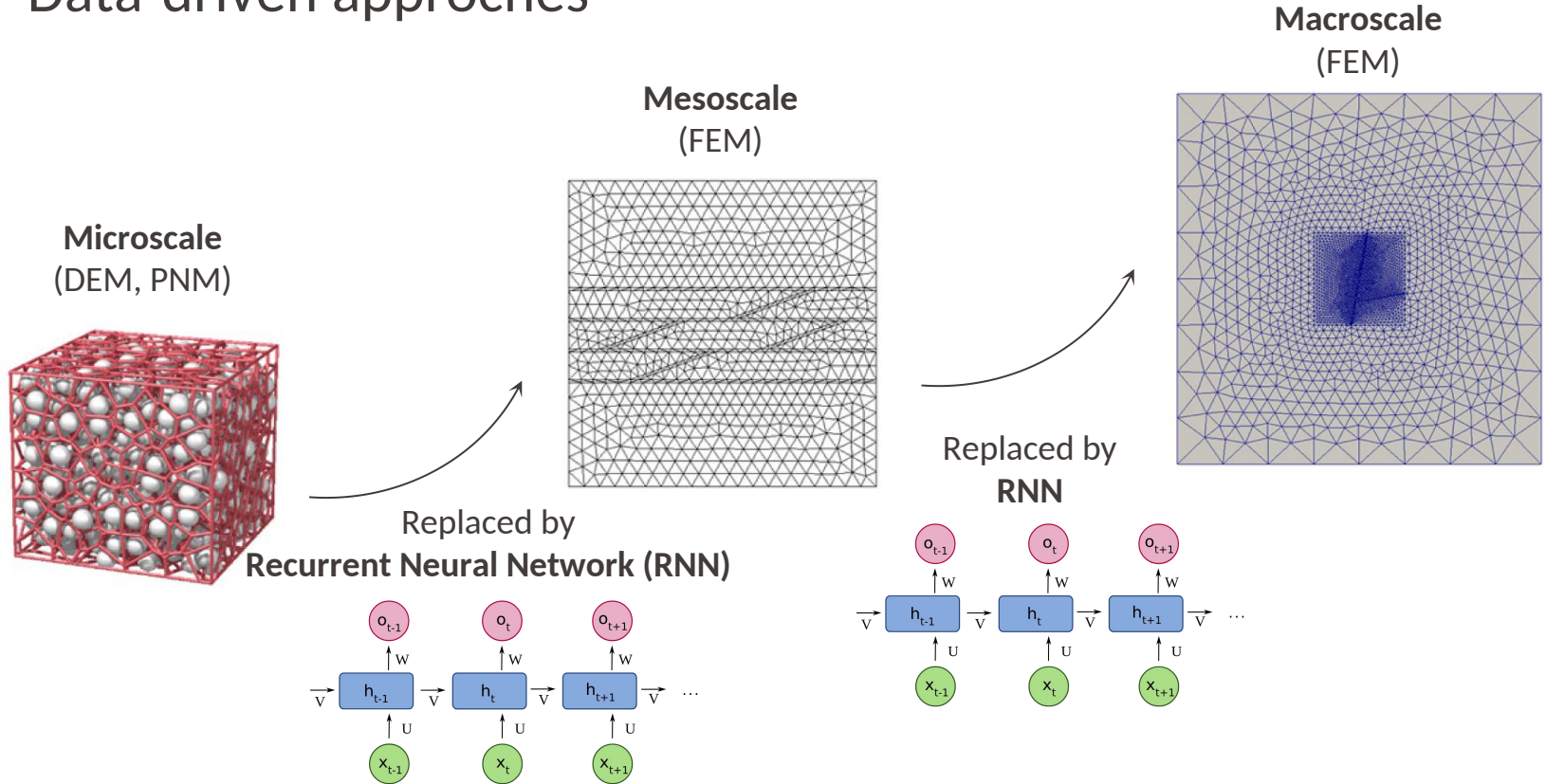


$$\mathbf{r}^c = \int_{\omega^{sl}} (p^g - p^l) \mathbf{n} dS + \int_{\partial\omega^{slg}} \gamma^{lg} \mathbf{v} ds$$

↑
Surface tension

Homogenization for poromechanics

Data-driven approaches



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Formulation - Asymptotic homogenization

This methodology assumes the presence of “**small parameters**” or separated scales in the system, s.t. the temperature field can be written as:

$$\theta(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \theta^0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \epsilon\theta^1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \epsilon^2\theta^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \dots \quad \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}/\epsilon$$

At each phase i , the heat conduction is governed by:

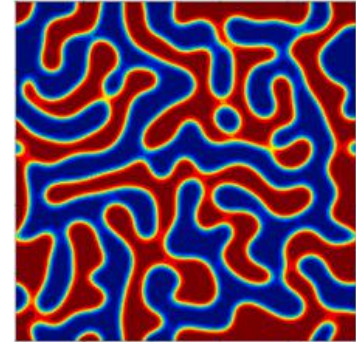
$$\nabla \cdot (k_i \nabla \theta_i) = \rho_i C_i \dot{\theta}_i$$

↑
Microscopic space variable

Let's consider a 2-phase system with strong contrasts:

$$k_1 = \mathcal{O}(1), k_2 = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

Inserting the temperature field, and using scaling arguments, allows us to obtain a homogenized equation, where effective conductivity only comes from phase 1, phase 2 (insulator) contributes to a memory term due to its thermal capacity and delayed release of heat.



You separate into a hierarchy
of different problems!

Formulation - Computational homogenization

Microscale:

Time variation of heat storage is neglected due to the small RVE size, hence assume steady state conduction:

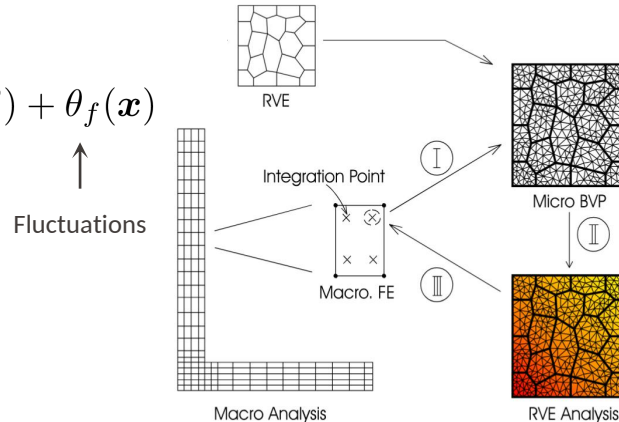
$$\nabla_m \cdot \mathbf{q}_m(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \mathbf{q}_m = -k_m \nabla_m \theta_m$$

Macro-to-micro transition:

$$\theta_m(\mathbf{x}) = \theta_M^0 + \nabla_M \theta_M(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^o) + \theta_f(\mathbf{x})$$

BCs satisfying:

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} \theta_f \mathbf{n} dS = \mathbf{0}$$



Macroscale:

The general time-dependent heat balance equation holds:

$$(\rho c_v)_M \dot{\theta}_M + \nabla_M \cdot \mathbf{q}_M = 0$$

↑
Macroscopic heat capacity

Volume averaging:

$$(\rho c_v)_M = \frac{1}{V} \int_V (\rho c_v)_m dV$$

$$\mathbf{q}_M = \frac{1}{V} \int_V \mathbf{q}_m dV$$

Effective conductivity obtained analytically or numerically (perturbations)

Homogenization for heat conduction

Applications in structural wood

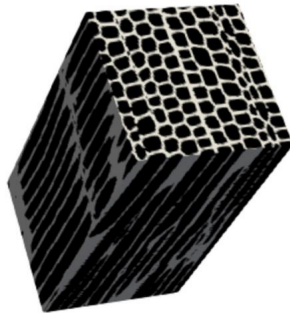
Microscopic problem:

$$\nabla_m \cdot \mathbf{q}_m(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

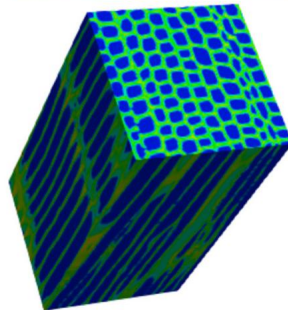
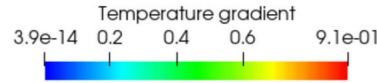
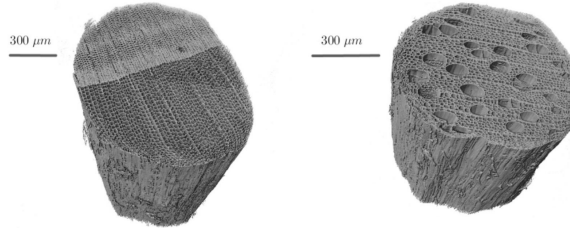
$$\mathbf{q}_m = -k_m \nabla_m \theta_m$$



Microscopic thermal
conductivity

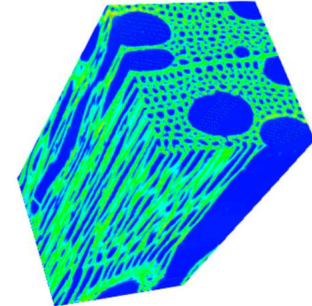
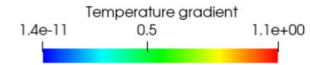


Digital models of spruce and poplar wood



Homogenized conductivity:

$$k_x^M = \frac{q_x^{\partial\Omega^D}(x_r - x_l)}{\delta\theta_{rl}}$$



Homogenization for heat conduction

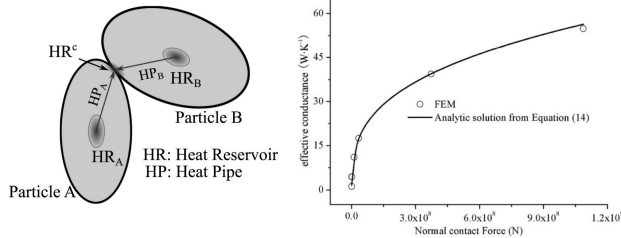
Applications to granular materials

Microscale:

Here we consider a discrete transient heat equation:

$$\rho_i c_i V_i \dot{\theta}_i = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} h_{ij} (\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

Heat conductivity (due to contact, etc) obtained e.g. from FEM simulations or adopting analytical solutions



Each particle has one temperature (instantaneous heat transfer within it)

Macroscale:

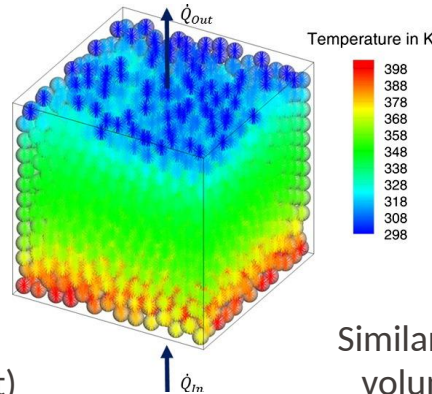
The general time-dependent continuum heat equation holds:

$$(\rho c_v)_M \dot{\theta}_M + \nabla_M \cdot \mathbf{q}_M = 0 \quad \mathbf{q}_M = -\mathbf{k}_M \nabla \theta_M$$

Effective thermal conductivity

$$k_x^M = \frac{\langle q_x \rangle}{\langle \nabla_x \theta \rangle}$$

(Full tensor may be computed by solving RVE problem along many directions)



Similar can obtain effective heat capacity as volume average of particle heat capacities

Continuum to continuum

Microscale:

Time variation of heat storage is neglected due to the small RVE size, hence assume steady state heat conduction:

$$\nabla_m \cdot \mathbf{q}_m(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

$$\nabla_m \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_m(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

Macro-to-micro transition:

$$\theta_m(\mathbf{x}) = \theta_M^0 + \nabla_M \theta_M(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^0) + \theta_f(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathbf{u}_m(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{F}_M - \mathbf{I})(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}^0) + \mathbf{u}_f(\mathbf{x})$$

Enforce $\mathbf{F}_M, \nabla_M \theta_M$ through periodic BCs

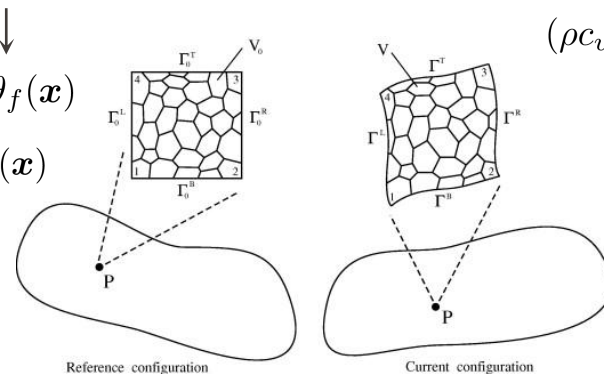
Micro-Macro consistency



$$\mathbf{P}_M : \dot{\mathbf{F}}_M = \frac{1}{V_0} \int_{V_0} \mathbf{P}_m : \dot{\mathbf{F}}_m dV_0$$

$$\nabla_M \theta_M \cdot \mathbf{q}_M = \frac{1}{V} \int_V \nabla_m \theta_m \cdot \mathbf{q}_m dV$$

Fluctuations



Macroscale:

The general time-dependent heat balance and momentum balance equations hold:

$$(\rho c_v)_M \dot{\theta}_M + \nabla_M \cdot \mathbf{q}_M = 0$$

$$\nabla_M \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_M = 0$$

Volume averaging:

$$(\rho c_v)_M = \frac{1}{V} \int_V (\rho c_v)_m dV$$

$$\mathbf{q}_M = \frac{1}{V} \int_V \mathbf{q}_m dV$$

$$\mathbf{P}_M = \frac{1}{V_0} \int_{V_0} \mathbf{P}_m dV_0$$

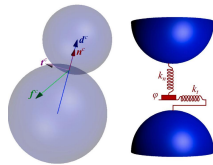
Effective conductivity and stiffness obtained analytical or numerically

Discrete to continuum

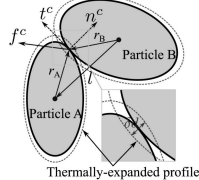
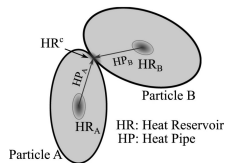
Microscale:

Transient heat conduction through a heat-pipe model (HPM) and standard DEM modeling.

$$\rho_i c_i V_i \dot{\theta}_i = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} h_{ij} (\theta_i - \theta_j)$$



Freeze particle positions \rightarrow DEM HPM \leftarrow Freeze particle temperatures



Macroscale:

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$$(\rho c_v)_M \dot{\theta}_M + \nabla_M \cdot \mathbf{q}_M = 0$$

$$\nabla_M \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_M = 0$$

Effective properties:

$$\mathbf{q}_M = \frac{1}{V} \sum \mathbf{q}^p A^p l^p$$

$$\mathbf{k} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_p \frac{\mathbf{r}^p \otimes \mathbf{r}^p}{a^p l^p}$$

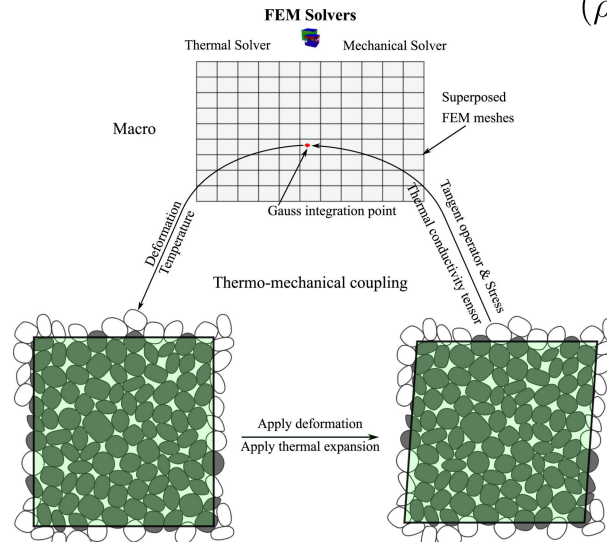
} Therm.

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_M = \frac{1}{V} \sum_c \mathbf{l}^c \otimes \mathbf{f}^c$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_c k_n \mathbf{n}^c \otimes \mathbf{l}^c \otimes \mathbf{n}^c \otimes \mathbf{l}^c$$

$$+ \frac{1}{V} \sum_c k_t \mathbf{t}^c \otimes \mathbf{l}^c \otimes \mathbf{t}^c \otimes \mathbf{l}^c$$

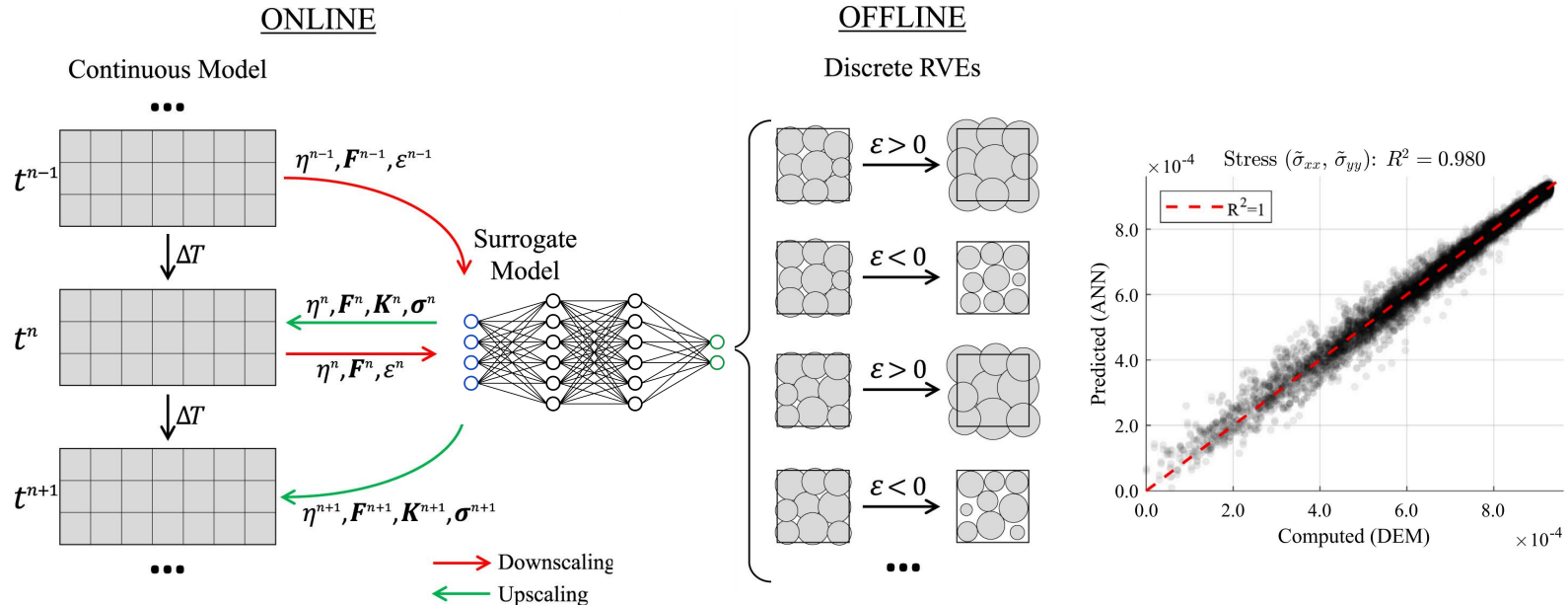
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Data-driven approaches

Machine learning and model-free data-driven approaches may be used to accelerate thermomechanical (and similarly other coupled) multiscale calculations. The same DEM and heat-pipe model can be used to create a dataset corresponding to different porosities



Discrete to continuum

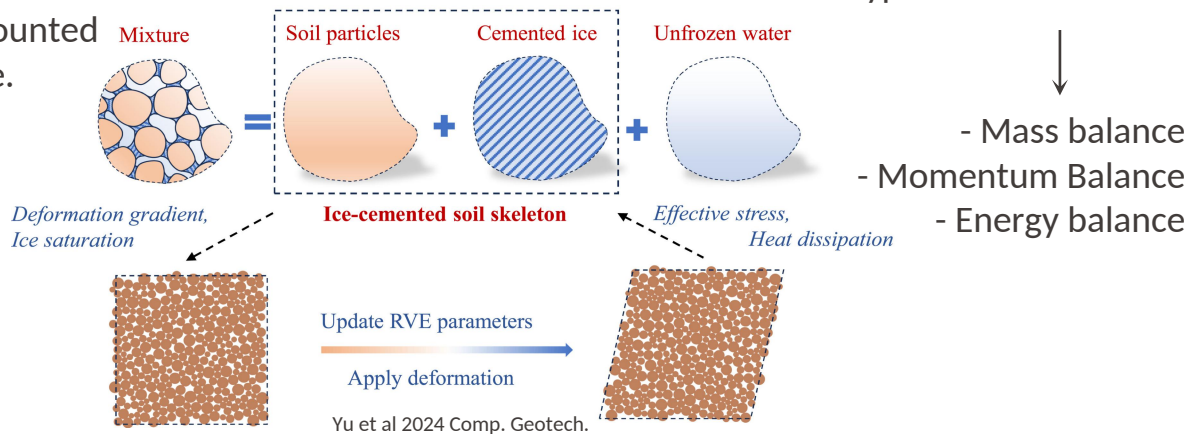
The techniques presented for the poromechanical and the thermomechanical problem are readily extendable to a fully coupled thermohydromechanical problem, e.g.:

Microscale:

In principle can consider all effects at the microscale (mechanical interactions, flow, phase change to ice). Here only the mechanical interactions are accounted for at the microscale.

Macroscale:

A three-phase continuum described by solid volume fraction and ice percentage. Assumes Darcy-type fluid flow, Fourier-type heat conduction.



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Concrete corrosion

Microscale:

Momentum balance, ion diffusion and phase-field fracture.

$$\nabla_m \cdot \sigma_m(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

$$\nabla_m \cdot \mathbf{j}_m(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

$$-1/2\mathcal{G}_c l_0 \nabla_m \cdot \nabla_m d + \mathcal{G}_c d / (2l_0) + \mathcal{H}^+ d = \mathcal{H}^+$$

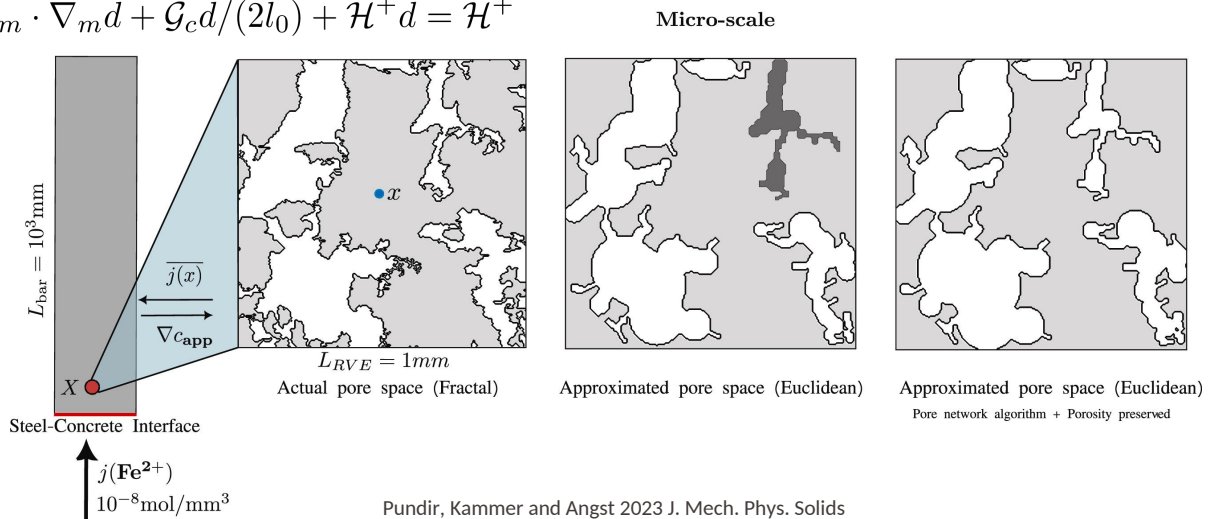
Equations solved in Fourier space using FFT.

Macroscale:

Momentum balance and ion diffusion.

$$\nabla_M \cdot \sigma_M = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}_M = 0$$



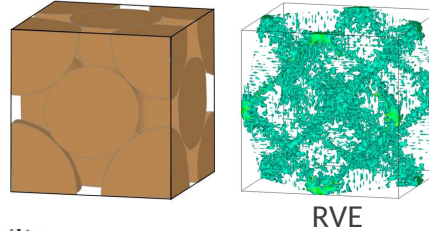
Macroscopic damage due to microcracking

Homogenization in chemomechanics

Biocemented geomaterials

Microscale:

Momentum balance, reaction diffusion



Macroscale:
Same physics.
Stress and stiffness extracted from the microscale

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial t} = \nabla (D_A \nabla A) - k_1 AB^2 + k_2 CE^2 + A_{in}$$

$$\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = \nabla (D_B \nabla B) - k_1 AB^2 + 2k_2 CE^2 + B_{in}$$

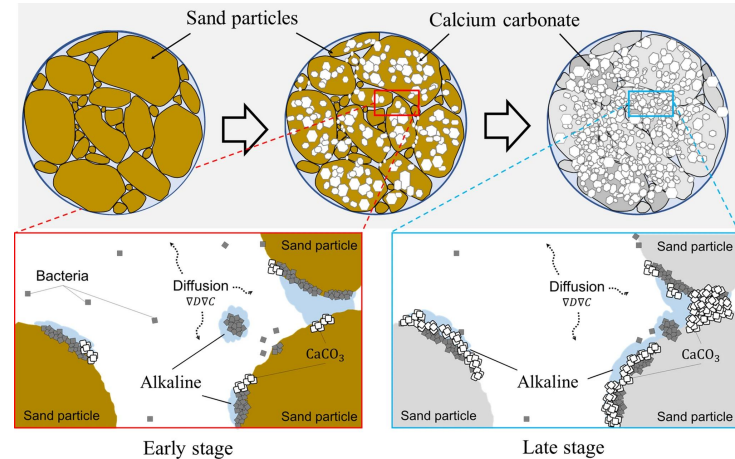
$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = \nabla (D_C \nabla C) + k_1 AB^2 - k_2 CE^2 - k_3 CF + k_4 P$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \nabla (D_E \nabla E) + 2k_1 AB^2 - k_2 CE^2$$

$$\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} D_F \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} - k_3 C_1 F_1 + k_4 P + F_{in}$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = k_3 C_1 F_1 - k_4 P$$

Calcium carbonate concentration



EPFL Extension to other multiphysics problems

A variety of many other interesting multiphysics problems may be tackled with similar techniques including:

- Electromechanics (smart structures, active dampers, etc)
- Magnetomechanics (shape memory alloys, magneto-rheological dampers)
- Thermoelectromechanics (batteries)
- Chemomechanics (corrosion, hydrogen embrittlement)
- Thermochemomechanics (concrete hydration, polymer curing)
- Optomechanics (photoelasticity where stress causes birefringence)
- Radiation (nuclear geobarriers and structural vessel)

That's what I prepared for you today.

What would you like to discuss?

Final presentations
(See Moodle announcement for details)