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The Thick Level Set (TLS) damage model for quasi-brittle fracture: state of the art

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Outline

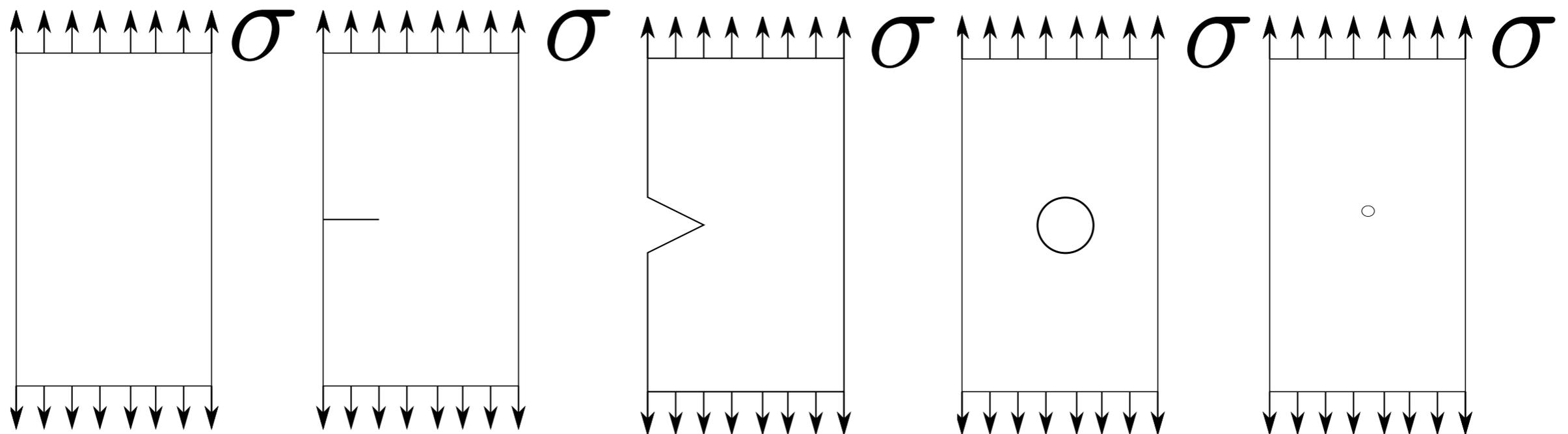
- Foreword : Material vs Structural testing,
- Discontinuity models with rising complexity
- TLS basics: transition from damage to fracture
- TLS generalizes Cohesive Zone Models
- Conclusion and Future work.

Foreword (I)

- No scale separation when it comes to strain localization and fracture.
- Simple tests are already structural tests, there exist no pure material test because failure is not homogeneous.
- Material modeling must involve a length scale. It interacts with the structure whatever its size.
- Models and simulation is needed to get informations from tests.
- The notion of local failure criteria (stress, strain, combination) is ill-posed.

Arguments on : The need for a length

Limit stress in quasi-static



$$\sigma \leq \sigma_c$$

Strength

$$G \leq G_c$$

Toughness

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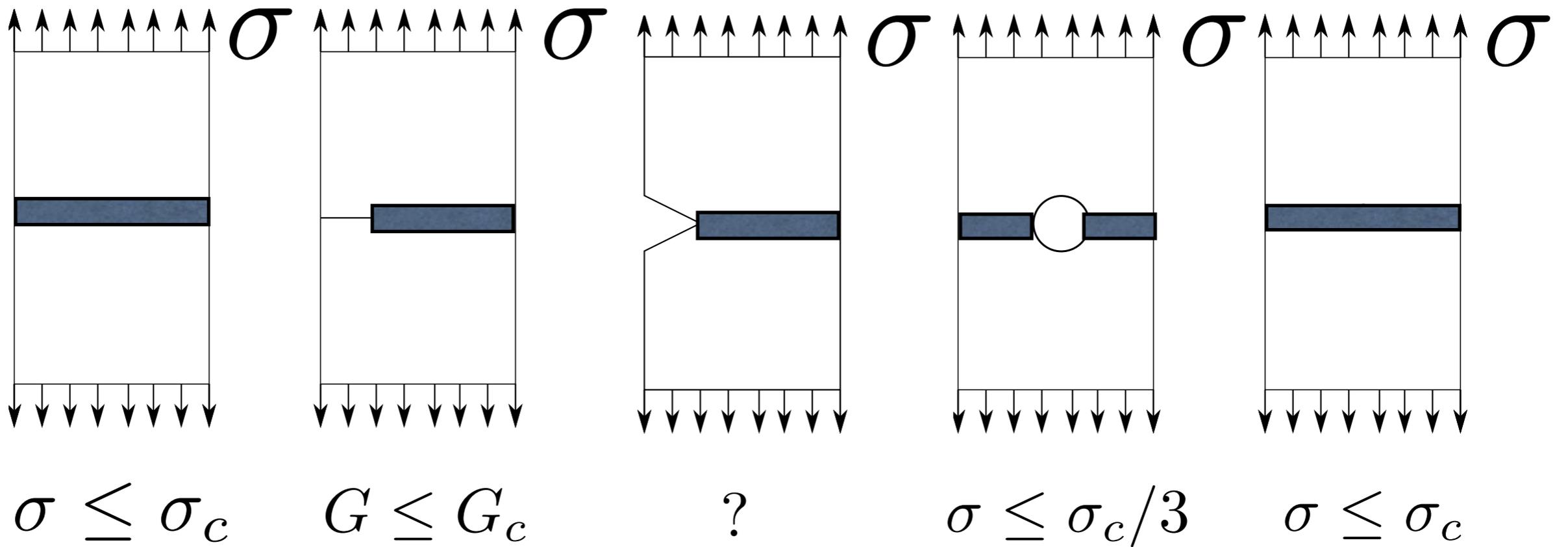
$$\sigma \leq \sigma_c/3$$

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$$l_c \sim \frac{(EG_c)}{(\sigma_c)^2}$$

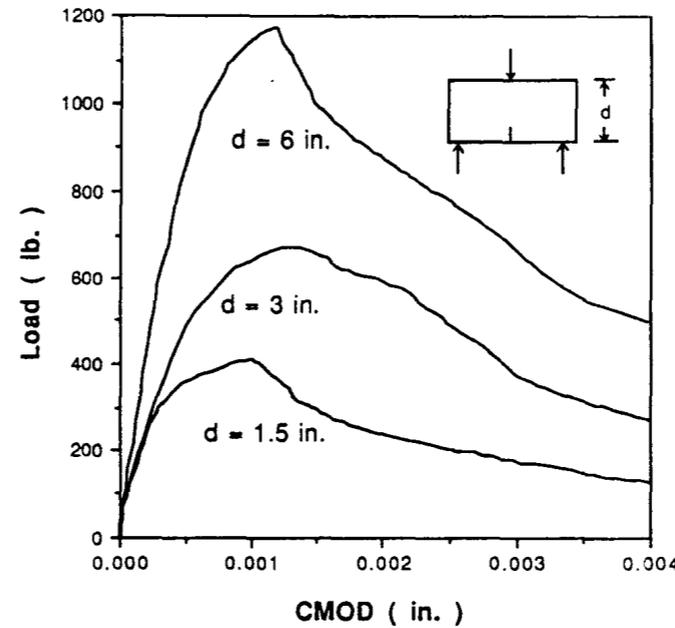
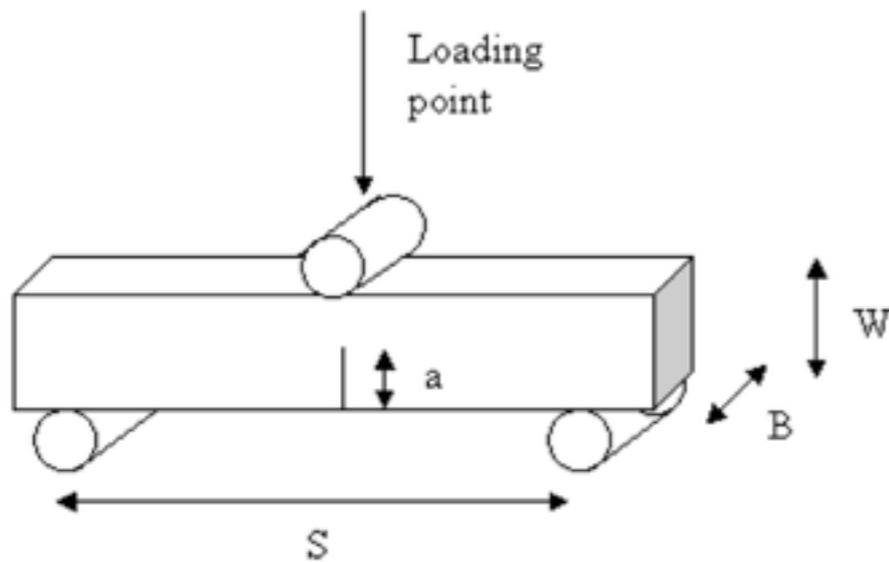
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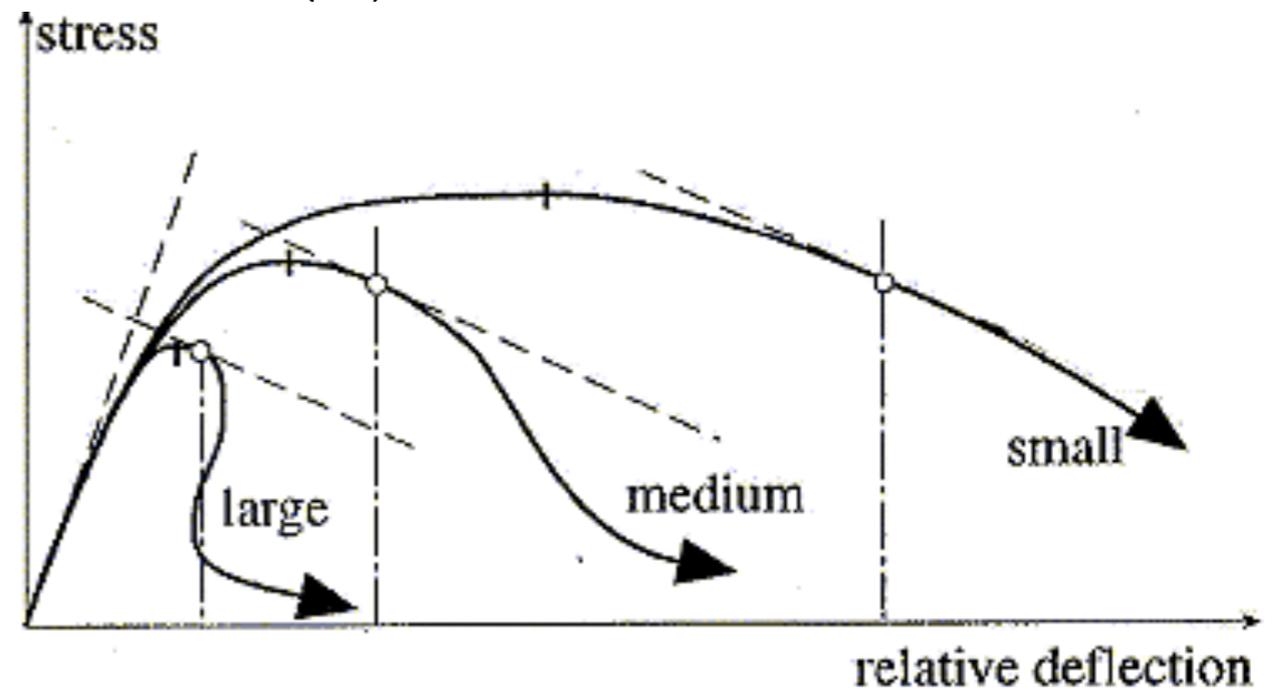
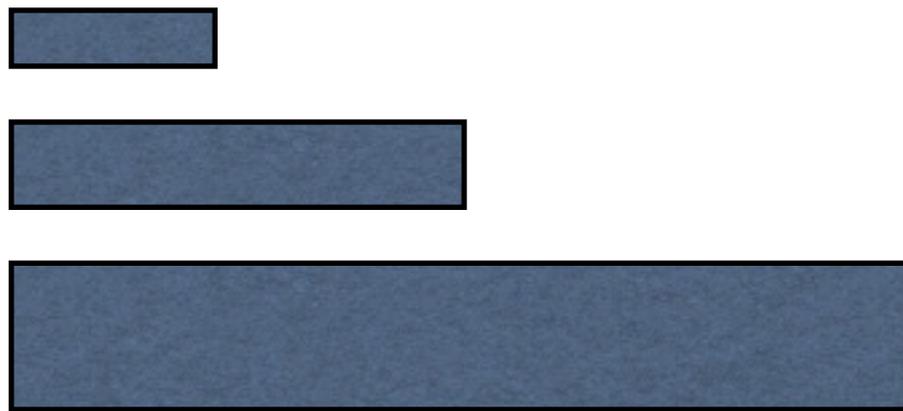


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The notion of size effect (explained on a Three Point Bending Test)



Bazant, Xu 1991



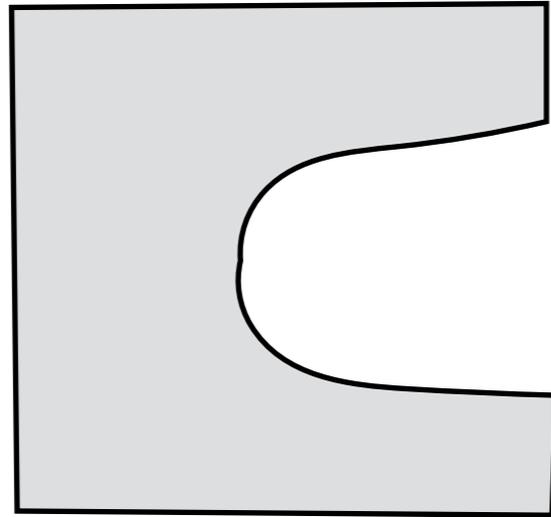
And the notion of quasi-brittle material

Foreword (II)

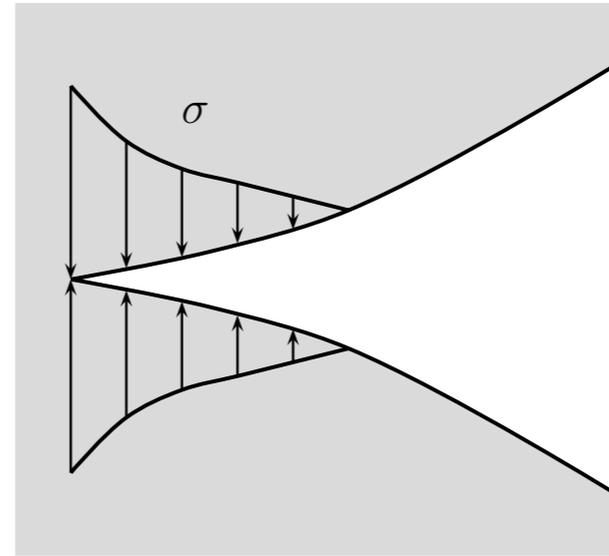
- Pavement degradation : Damage, cracking, branching, debonding, permanent deformation : the need for a get together model.
- This talk : (a) link between damage and fracture, (b) link between debonding-damage-cracking model

Discontinuity models with rising complexity

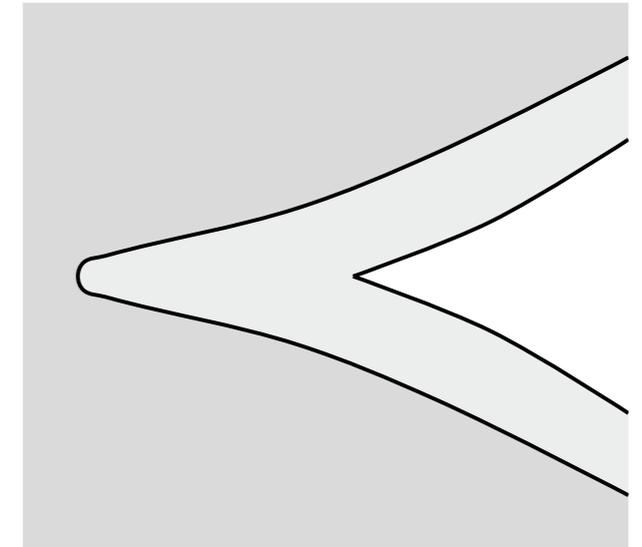
Griffith



Cohesive

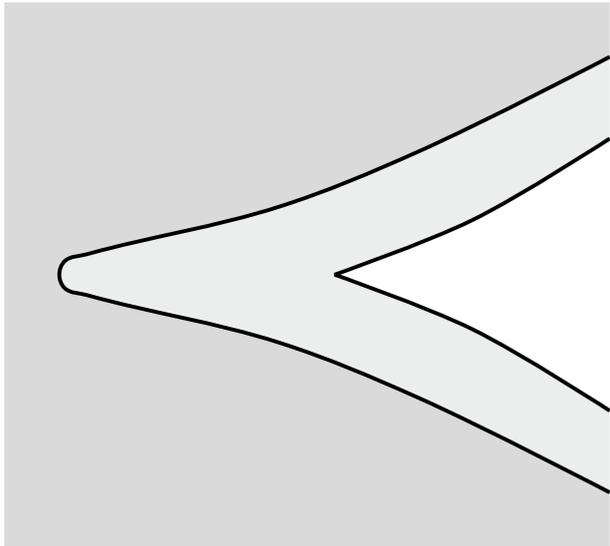


Damage



Length scale	No	Yes	Yes (if non-local)
Initiation	No	Yes	Yes
Branching or complex patterns	No	No	Yes

Does this model exist?



- Growing discontinuity (displacement jumps)
- Localization zone surrounded by a local zone
- No material euthanasia (smooth transition to fracture)
- Continuum mechanics based

Not really

- Damage based gradient models are non-local everywhere and at all times
- Appearance of displacement jumps is not part of the damage based gradient models
- Morphing (G. Lubineau) may be used to couple local and non-local models
- Peridynamics tend to create discontinuity but is not continuum based

In fact **Yes**, it was the motivation for the Thick Level Set approach to fracture

$$\|\nabla d\| \leq \frac{f(d)}{l_c}$$

TLS

$$\Delta d = \frac{g(d, \epsilon)}{l_c}$$

Damage gradient

- Inequality \rightarrow non-intrusive non-locality
- First order gradient (Hamilton-Jacobi)
- No boundary conditions for d (just initial)
- g depends on the damage model
- f independent of local damage equation.

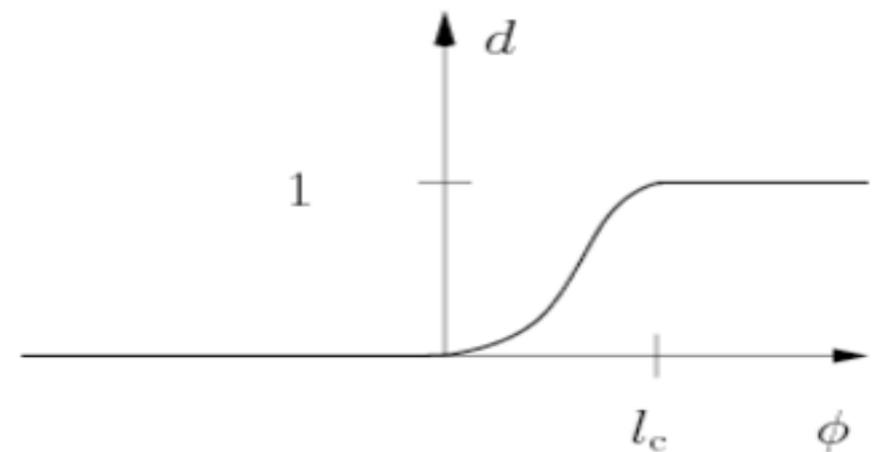
Geometrical nature of the TLS

TLS = CDM et $\|\nabla d\| \leq f(d)$ on Ω

Identical to (Eikonal inequality)

$$\begin{cases} \|\nabla \phi\| \leq 1 \\ d = d(\phi) \end{cases}$$

$$f(d) = d'(\phi(d))$$

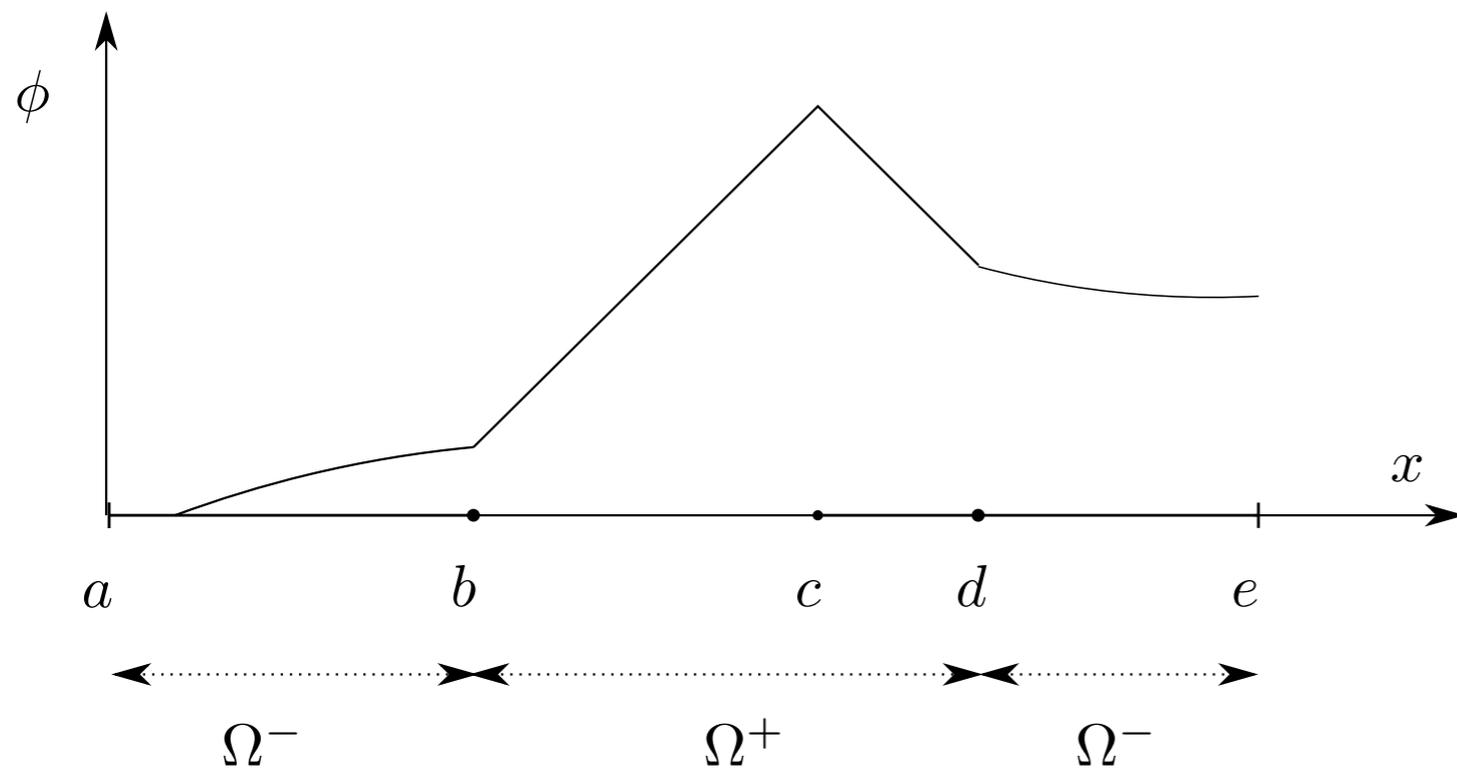


Crack is located automatically (iso- l_c)

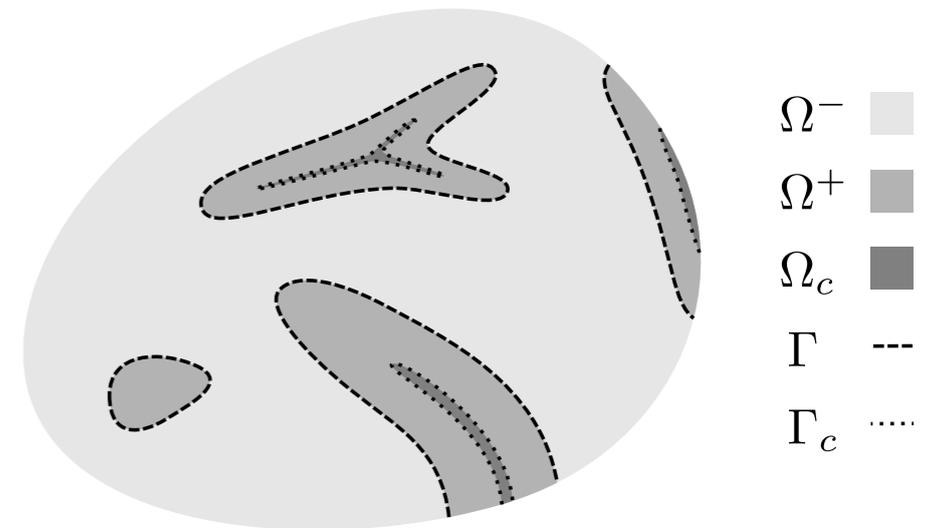
$\|\nabla\phi(\mathbf{x})\| < 1 \Rightarrow$ Local constitutive model at \mathbf{x}

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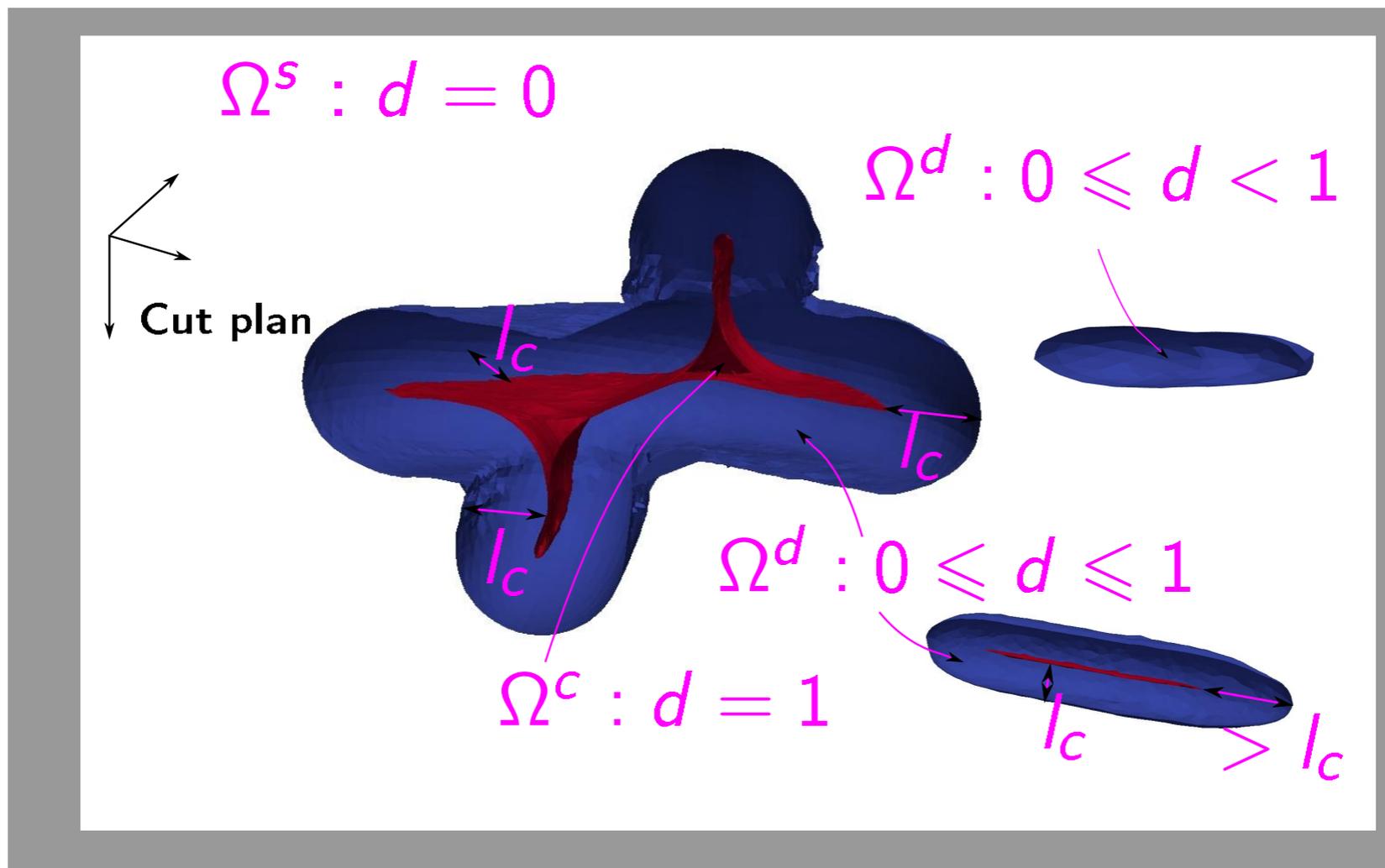
$\|\nabla\phi(\mathbf{x})\| > 1$ forbidden



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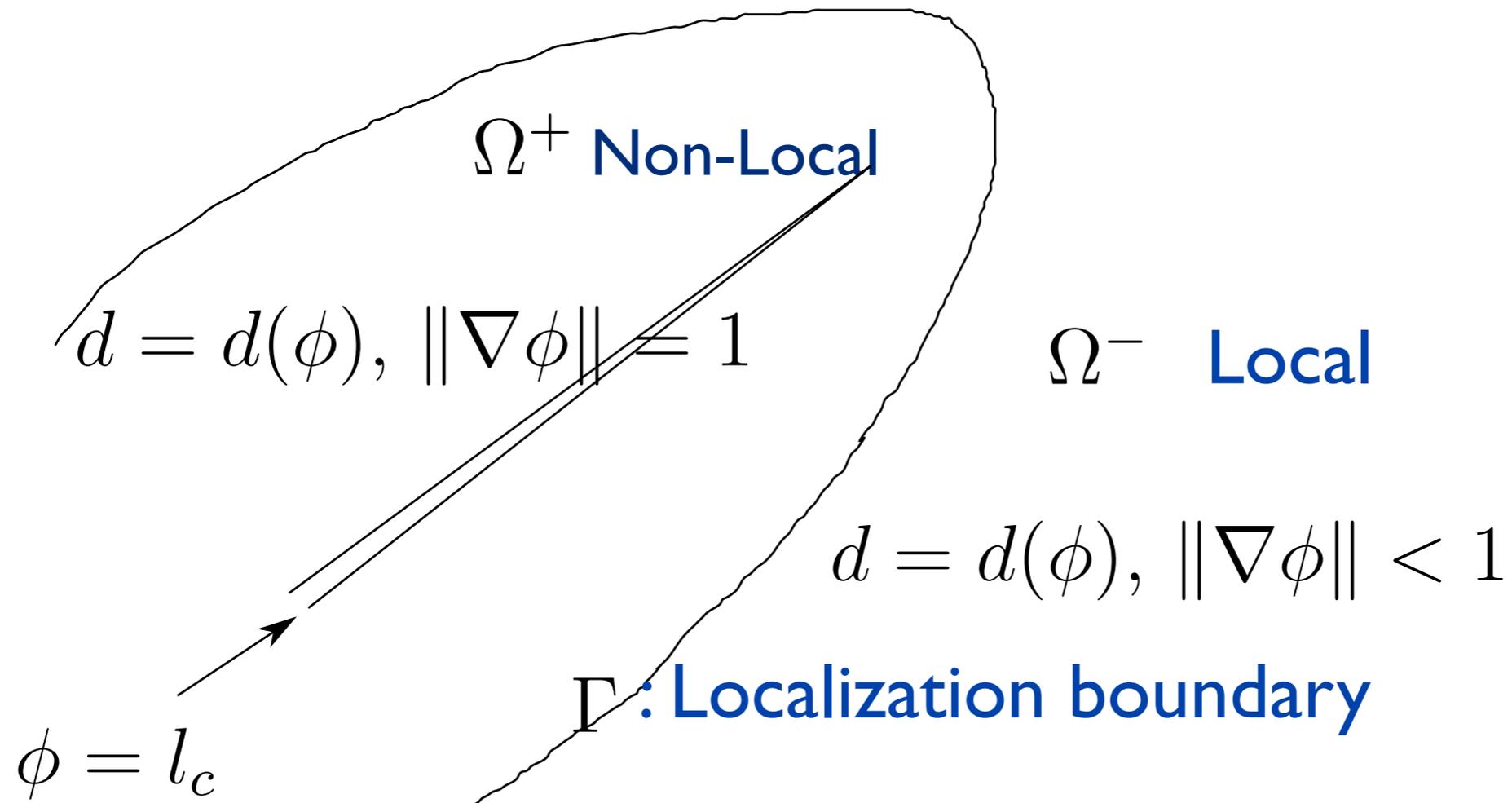


2D



3D

Local and non-local damage zones



The localization boundary evolves in order to preserve damage continuity (Hadamard condition)

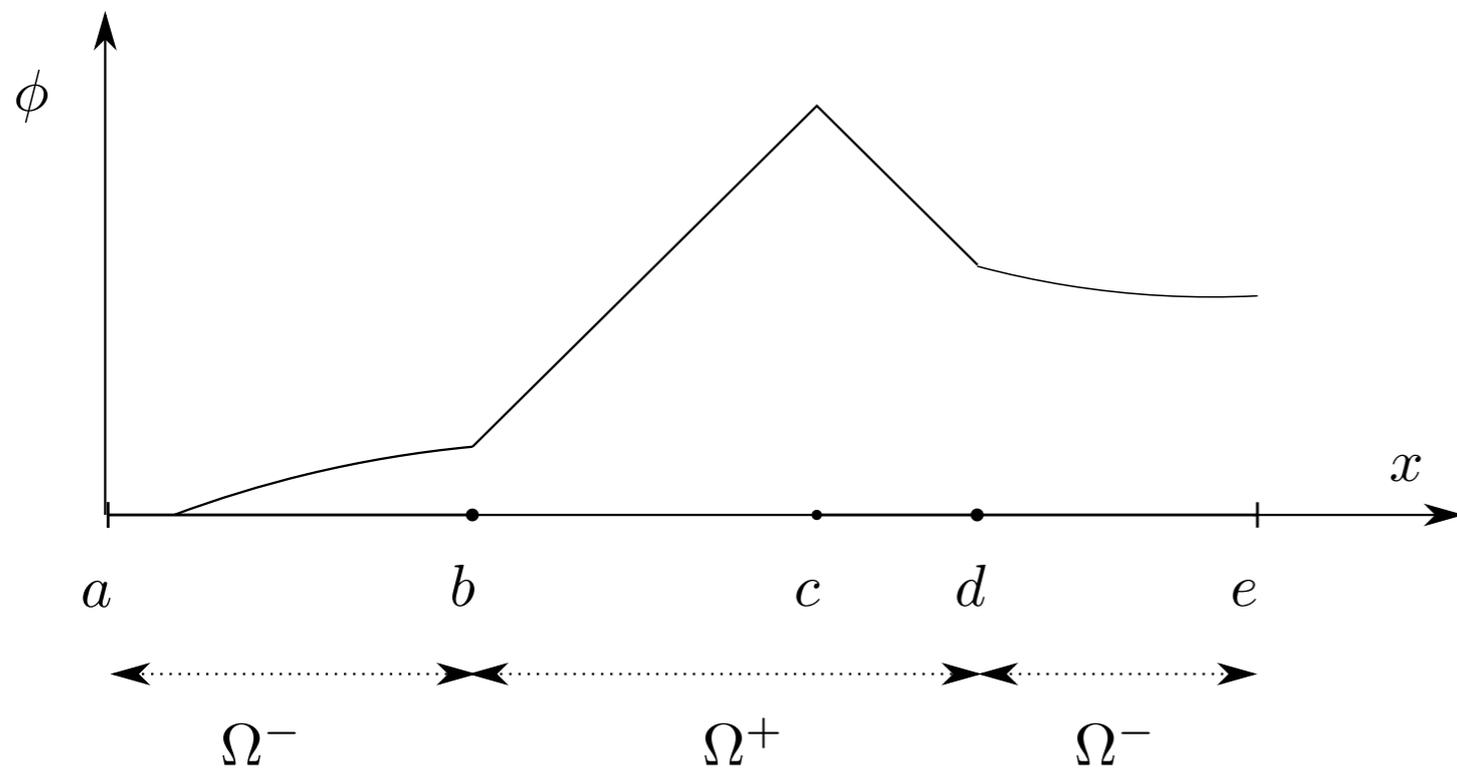
$$[d]_{\Gamma} = 0 \quad \forall t \quad \Rightarrow \quad [\dot{d}]_{\Gamma} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad [\dot{d}] + \mathbf{v}_{\Gamma} \cdot [\nabla d]_{\Gamma} = 0$$

	LEFM	TLS Damage	Damage
Energy	$\int_{\Omega \setminus a} w(u) d\Omega$	$\int_{\Omega} w(u, d(\phi))$	$\int_{\Omega} w(u, d)$
state equ.	$\sigma = \frac{\partial w}{\partial \epsilon(u)}$	$\sigma = \frac{\partial w}{\partial \epsilon(u)}$	$\sigma = \frac{\partial w}{\partial \epsilon(u)}$
state equ.	$G = -\frac{\partial W}{\partial a}$	$\bar{Y} = \langle Y \rangle$	$Y = -\frac{\partial w}{\partial d}$
Dissipation	$G\dot{a}$	$\int_{\Omega} \bar{Y} \dot{\bar{d}} d\Omega$	$\int_{\Omega} Y \dot{d}$
evol. eq.	$\dot{a} = \frac{\partial \psi^*(G)}{\partial G}$	$\dot{\bar{d}} = \frac{\partial \psi^*(\bar{Y})}{\partial \bar{Y}}$	$\dot{d} = \frac{\partial \psi^*(Y)}{\partial Y}$

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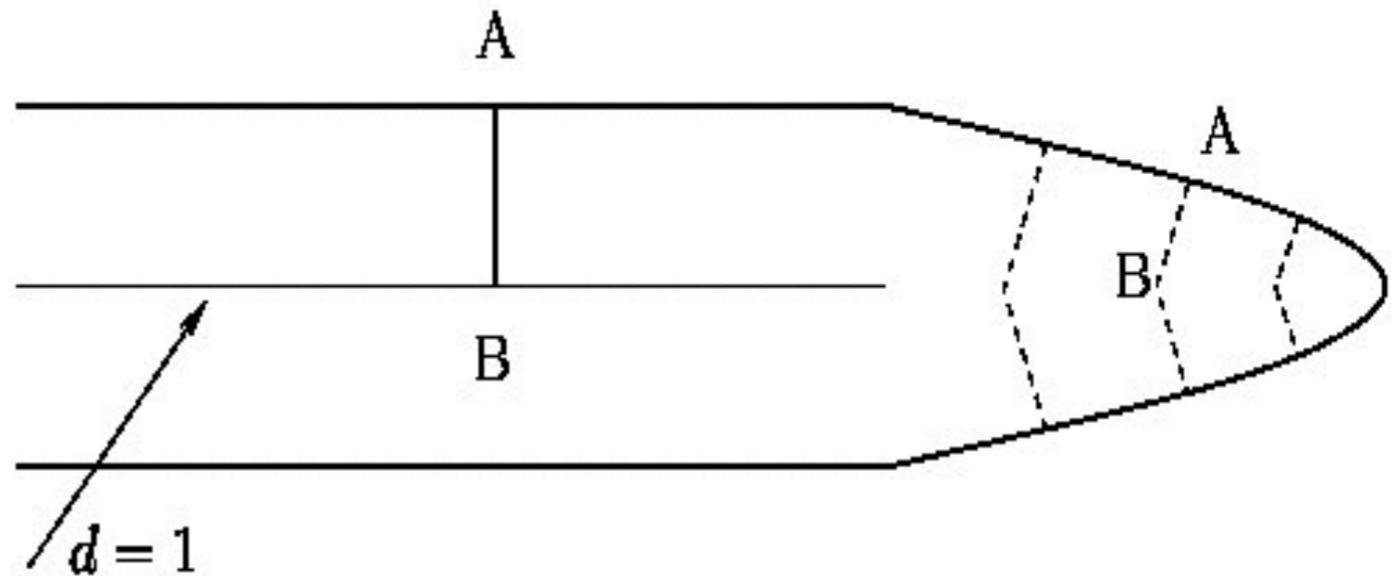
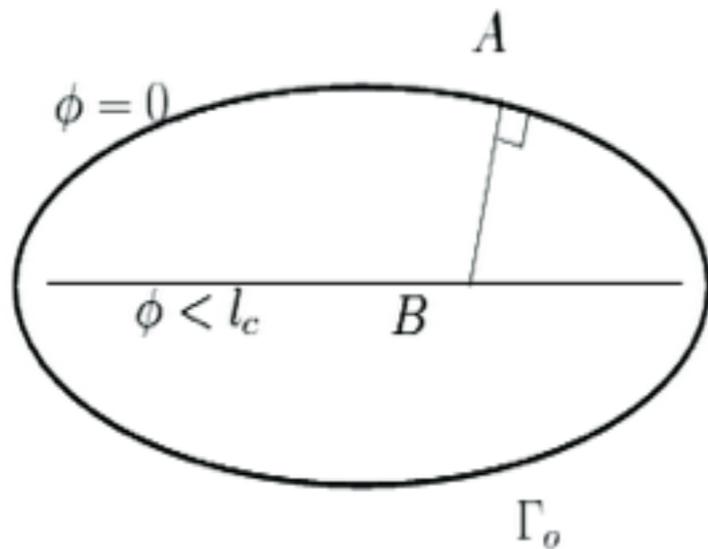


$$\text{On } [b, c] : \bar{y} = \frac{\int_b^c y d'(\phi) dx}{\int_b^c d'(\phi) dx}, \quad \bar{\dot{d}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\int_b^c \dot{d} dx}{\int_b^c dx}$$

$$\text{On } [c, d] : \bar{y} = \frac{\int_c^d y d'(\phi) dx}{\int_c^d d'(\phi) dx}, \quad \bar{\dot{d}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\int_c^d \dot{d} dx}{\int_c^d dx}$$

Non-local driving force along the gradient of damage

$$\bar{Y}(AB) = \frac{\int_{AB} Y d'(\phi) \left(1 - \frac{\phi}{\rho_0}\right) d\phi}{\int_{AB} d'(\phi) \left(1 - \frac{\phi}{\rho_0}\right) d\phi}$$

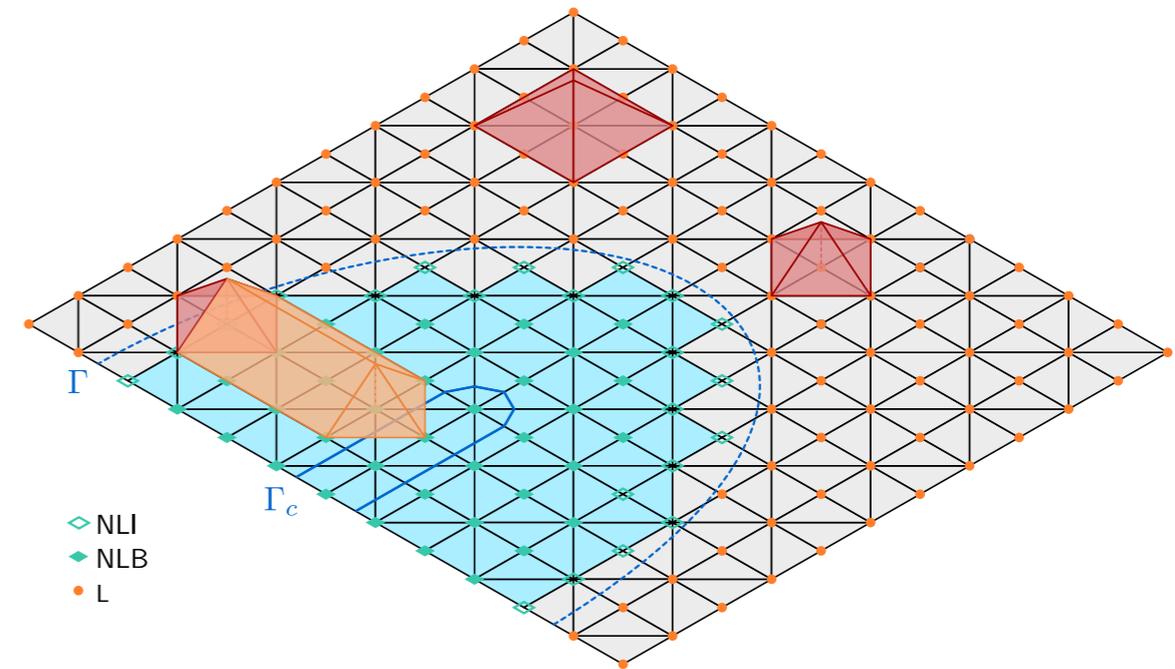


Continuous transition from local to non-local since the length over which average is performed rises from 0 to l_c .

Implementation aspects (I)

Damage update

- Damage is a nodal quantity (as in damage gradient models)
- Damage update is local at the node in the local zone
- Damage gradient is monitored in each element
- Damage update ties nodes in the non-local zone. The tie is made by fast marching

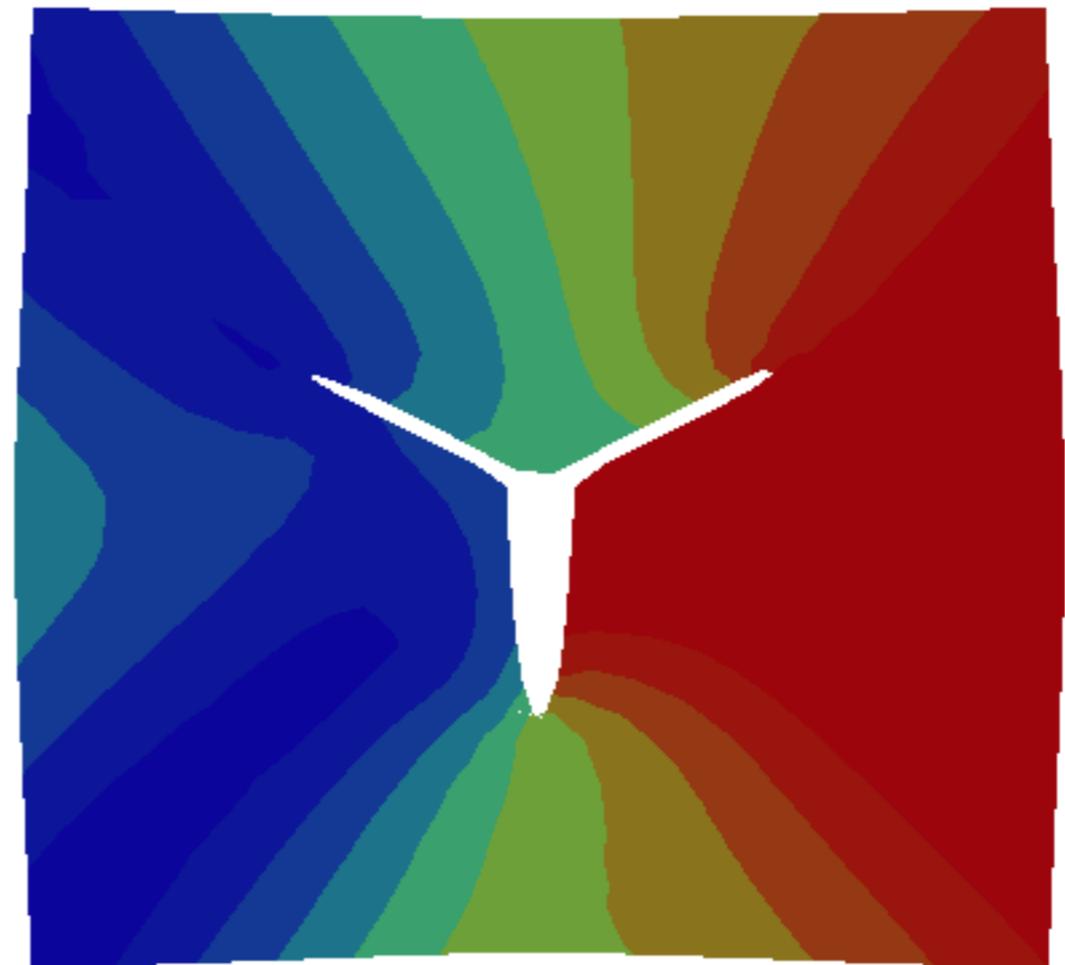
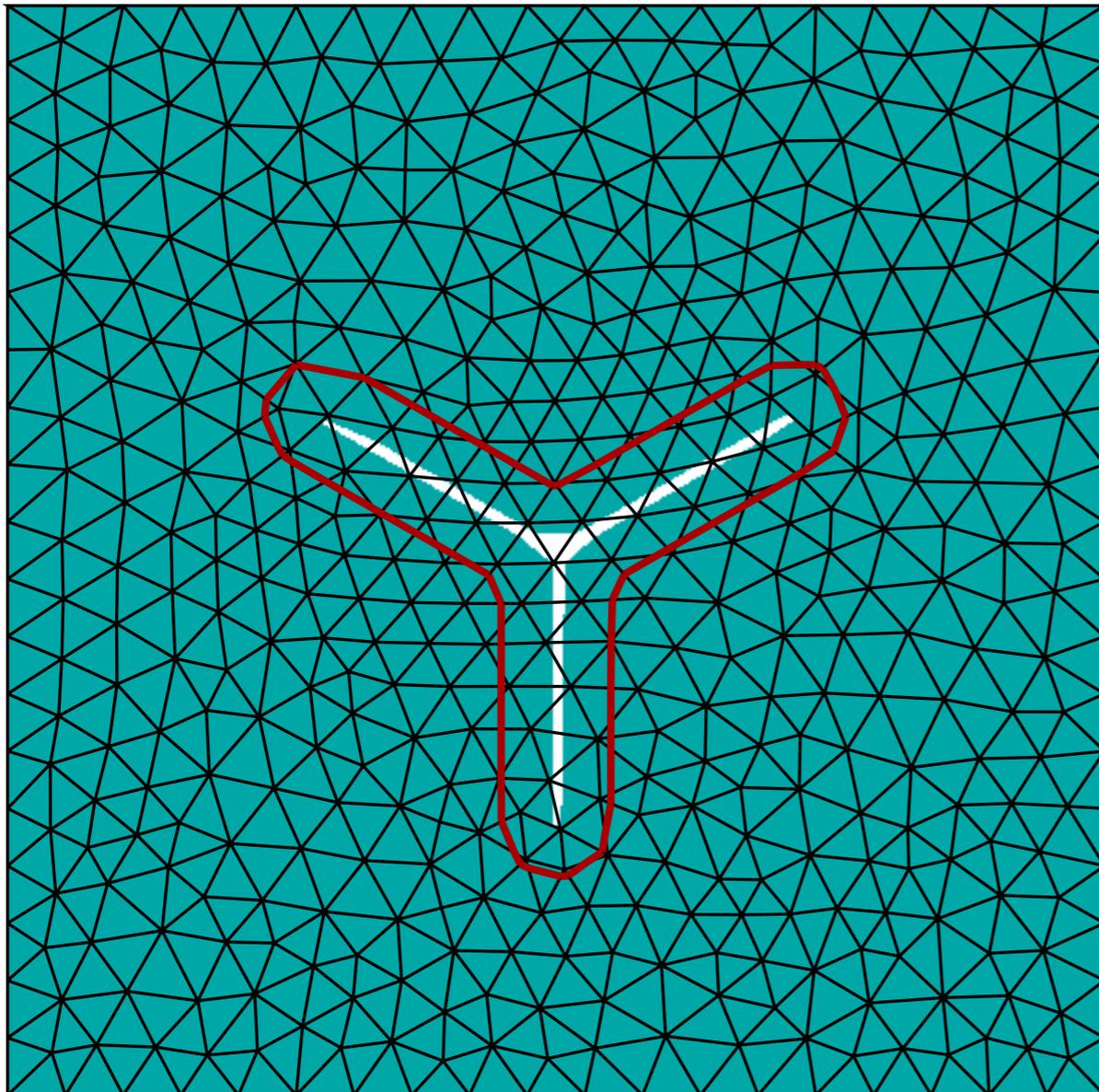


CCL: **NO matrix solve** for damage update with TLS

This is an important advantage in quasi-static analysis and **ESSENTIAL** for explicit dynamics analysis

Implementation aspects (II)

X-FEM enrichment to introduce displacement jumps



Displacement

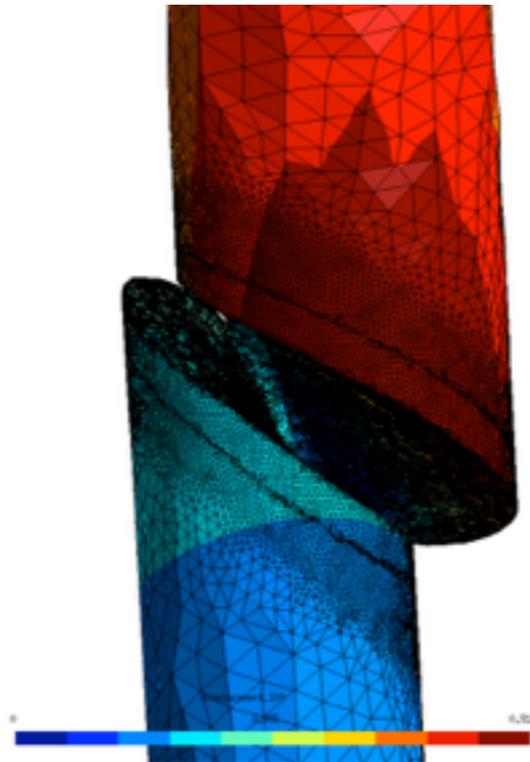
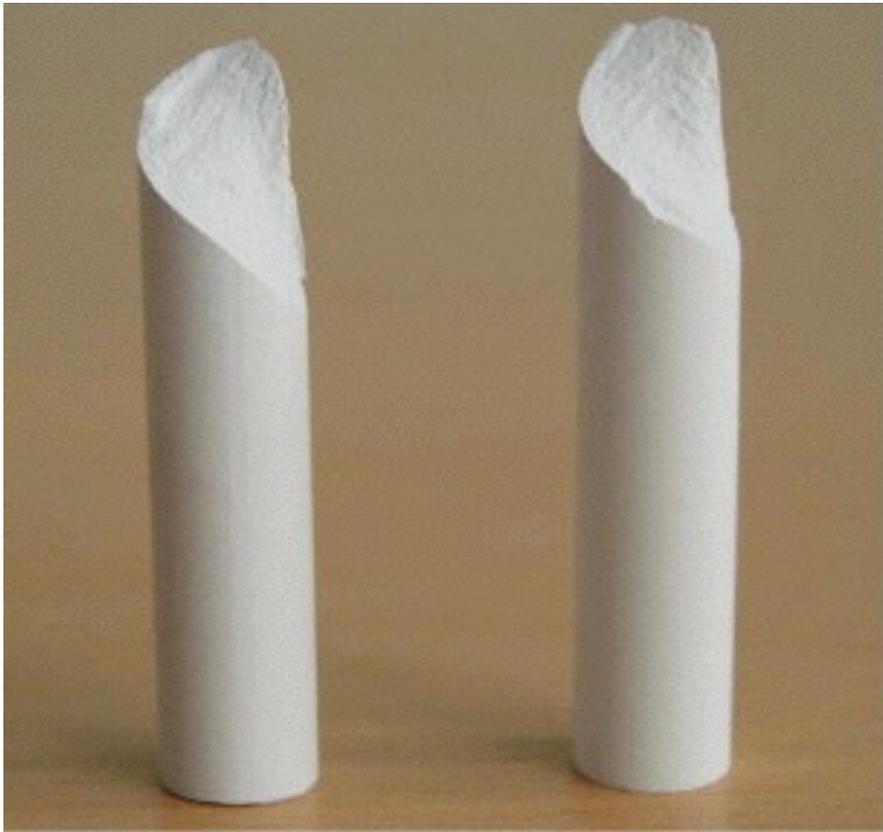
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Capturing length scale

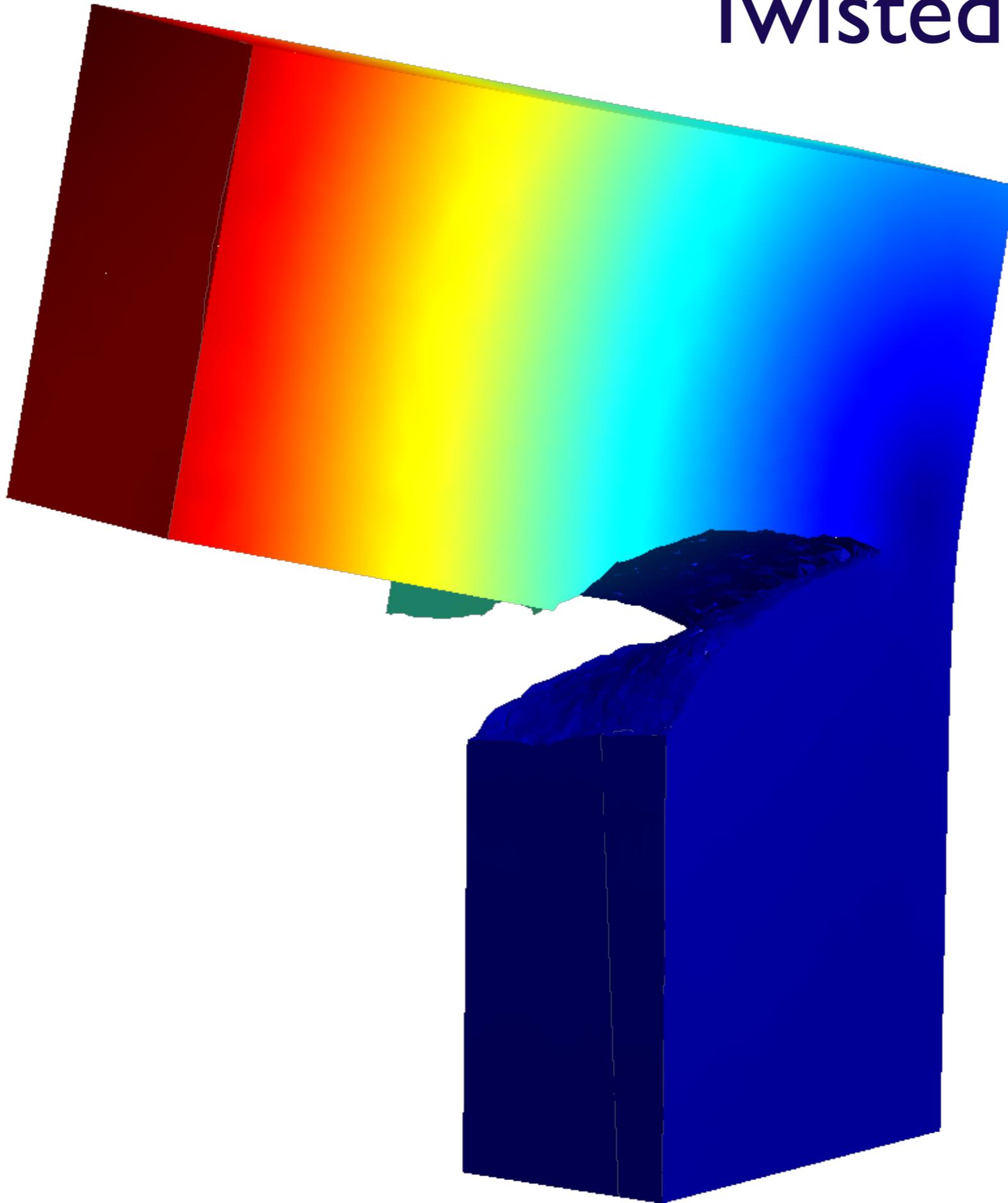
- It takes small meshes to capture the localization length (say 5 elements per l_c).
- Thanks to X-FEM mesh may be derefined away from moving tips.
- Local-Global solver (from A. Duarte et al.) is on the way: goal get TLS simulation time ≤ 10 times LEFM analysis. Duarte Talk : workshop I just after coffee

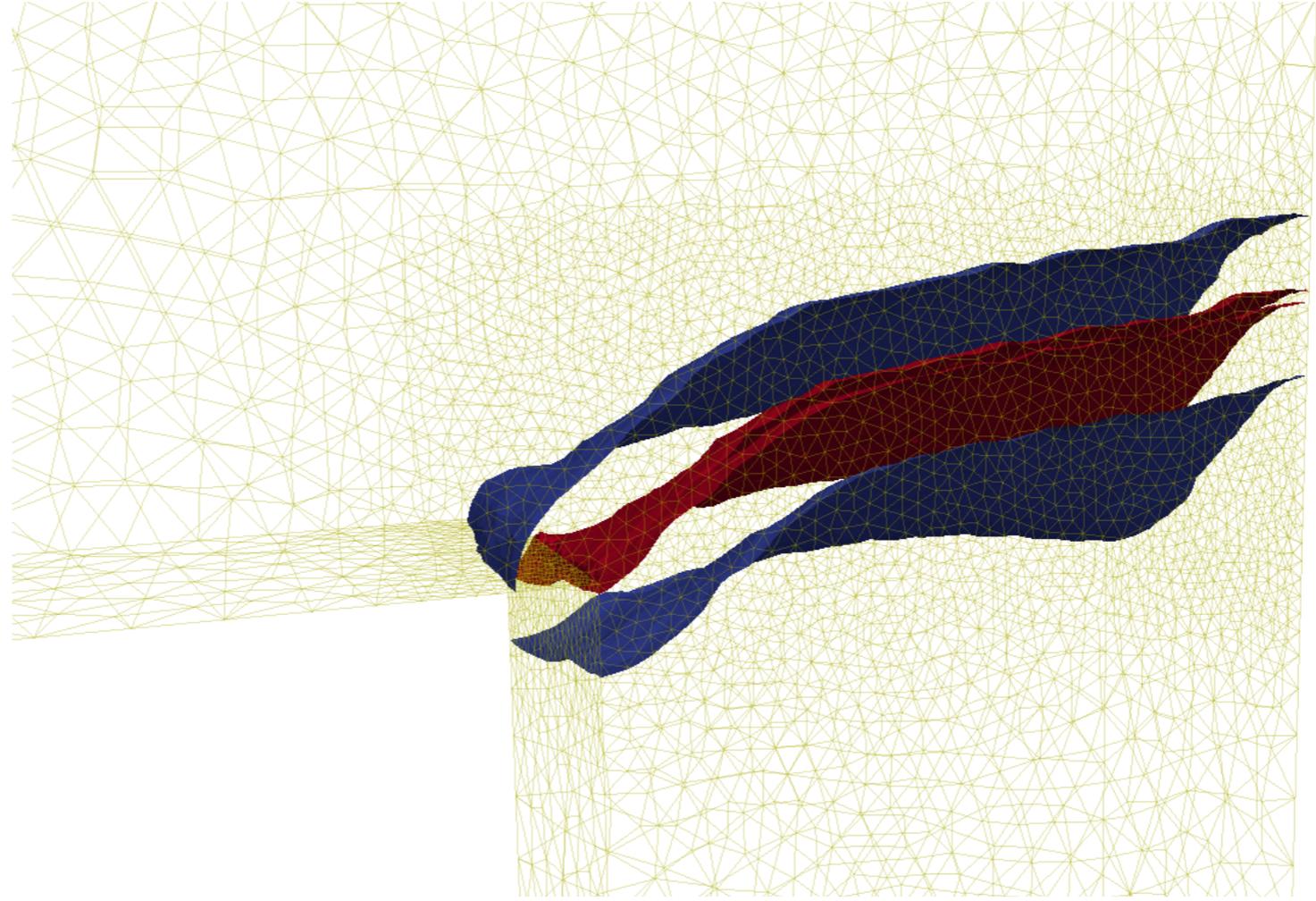
Some 3D numerical experiments

Chalk twist

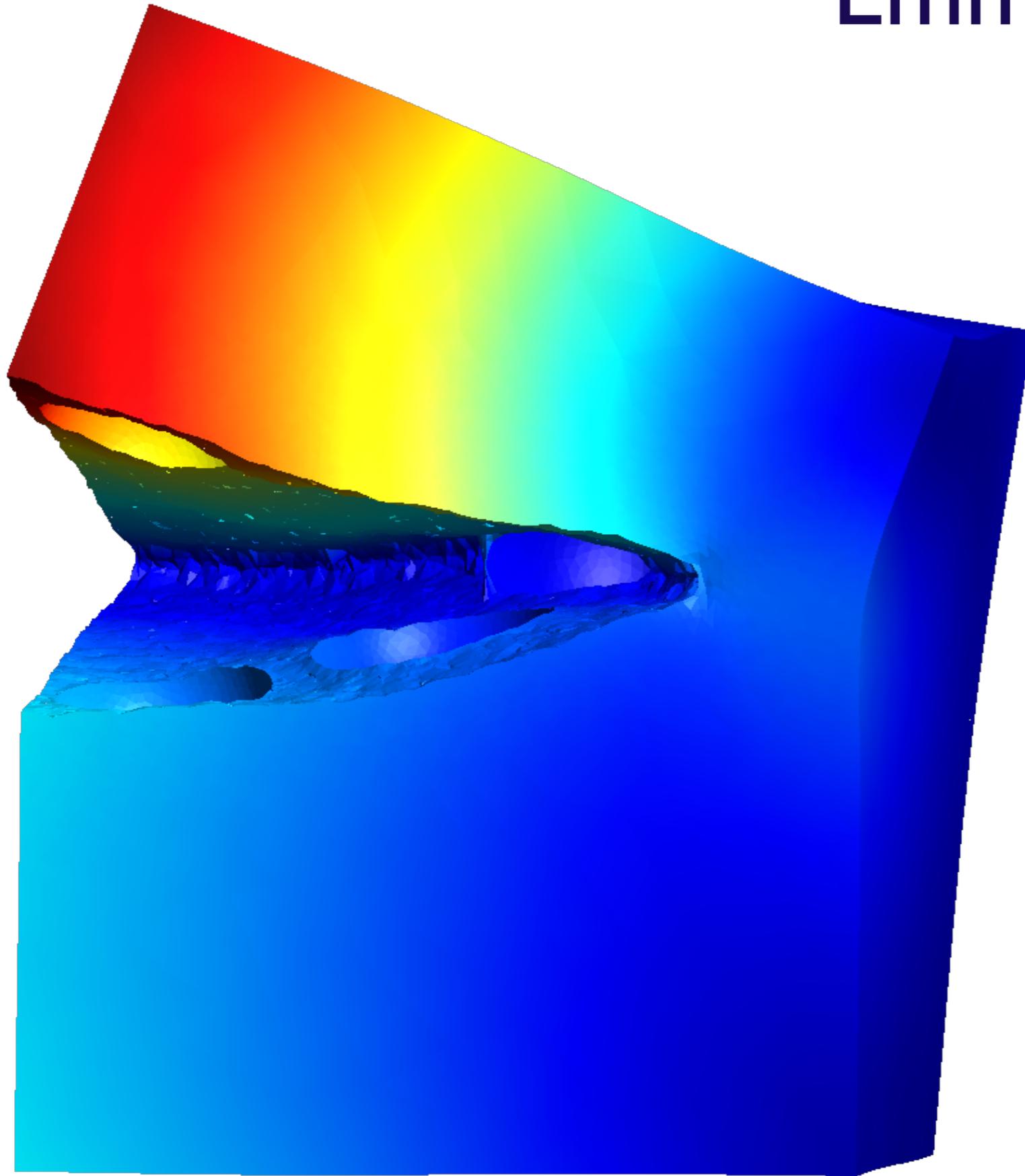


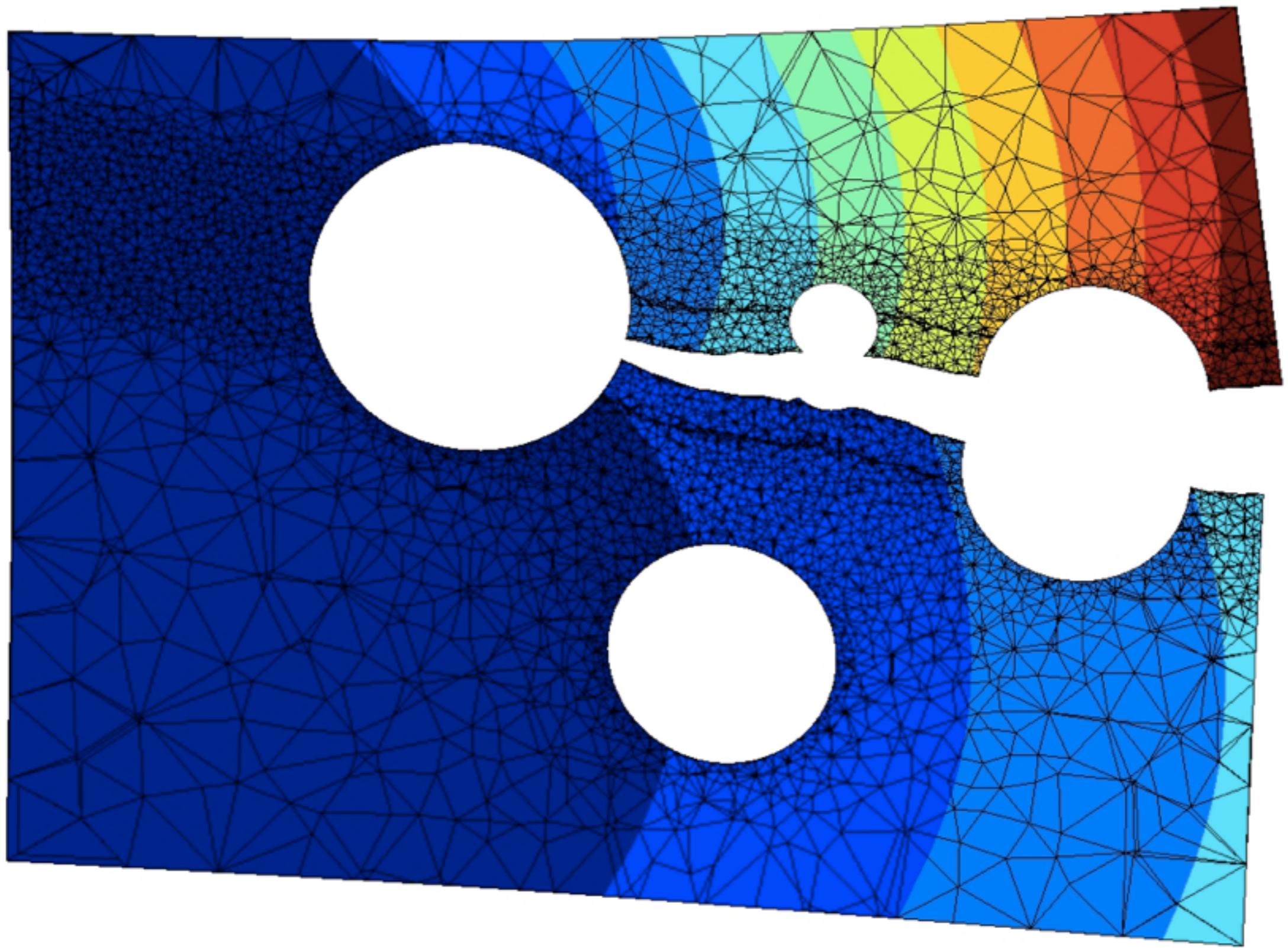
Twisted L-shape

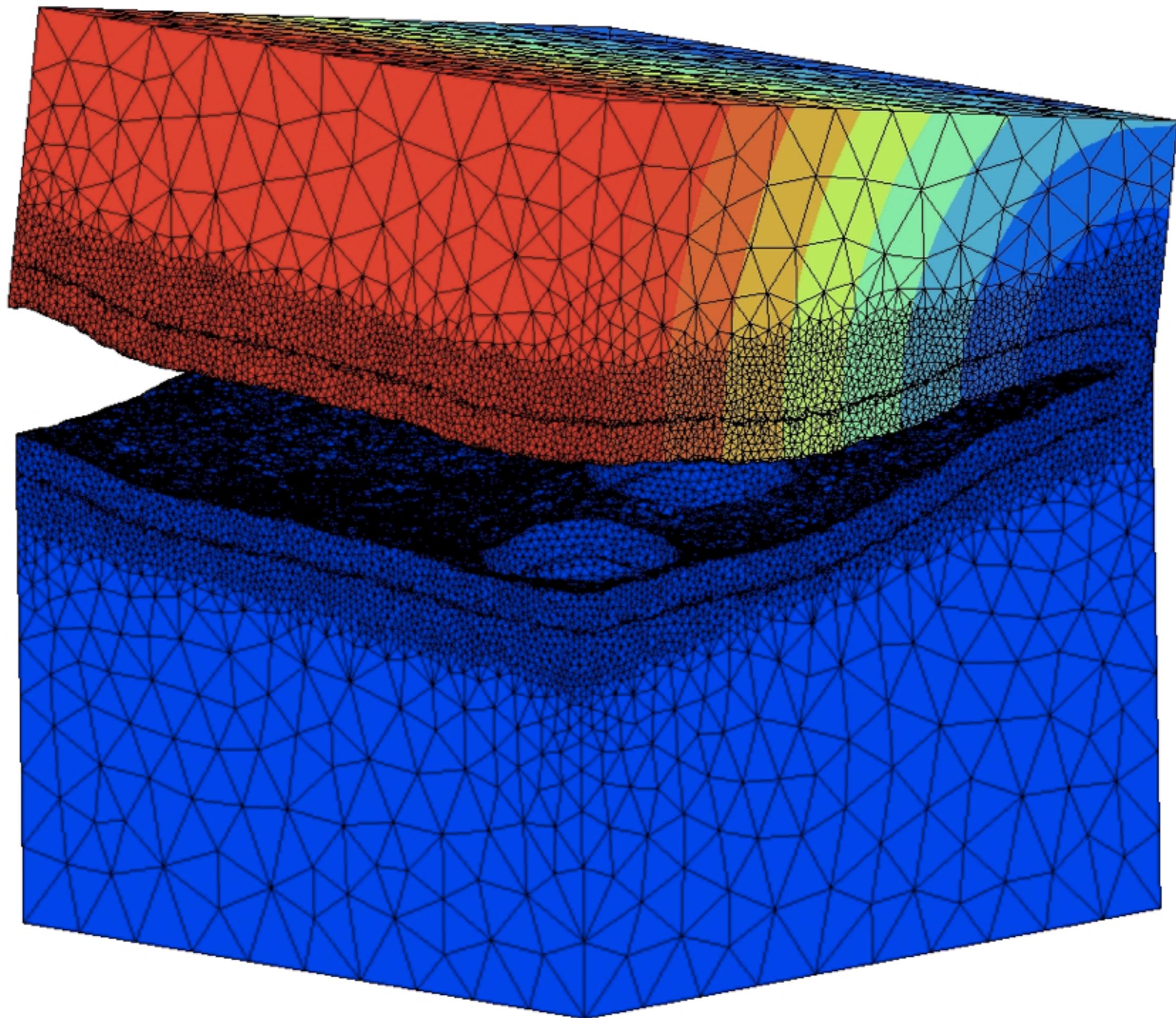




Emmental







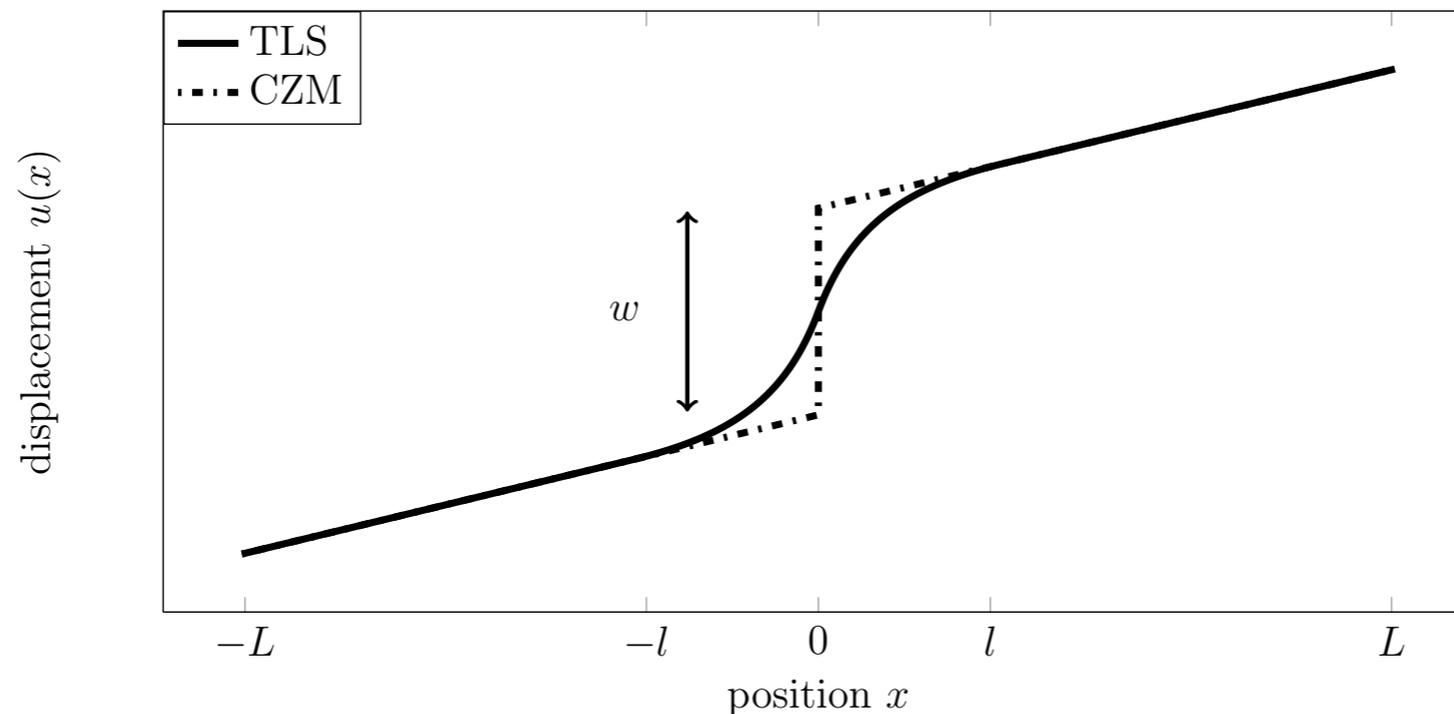
displacement 340

A step toward debonding

Relationship between
Cohesive Zone Model
and
Thick Level Set models

Is TLS indeed a larger set than CZM ?

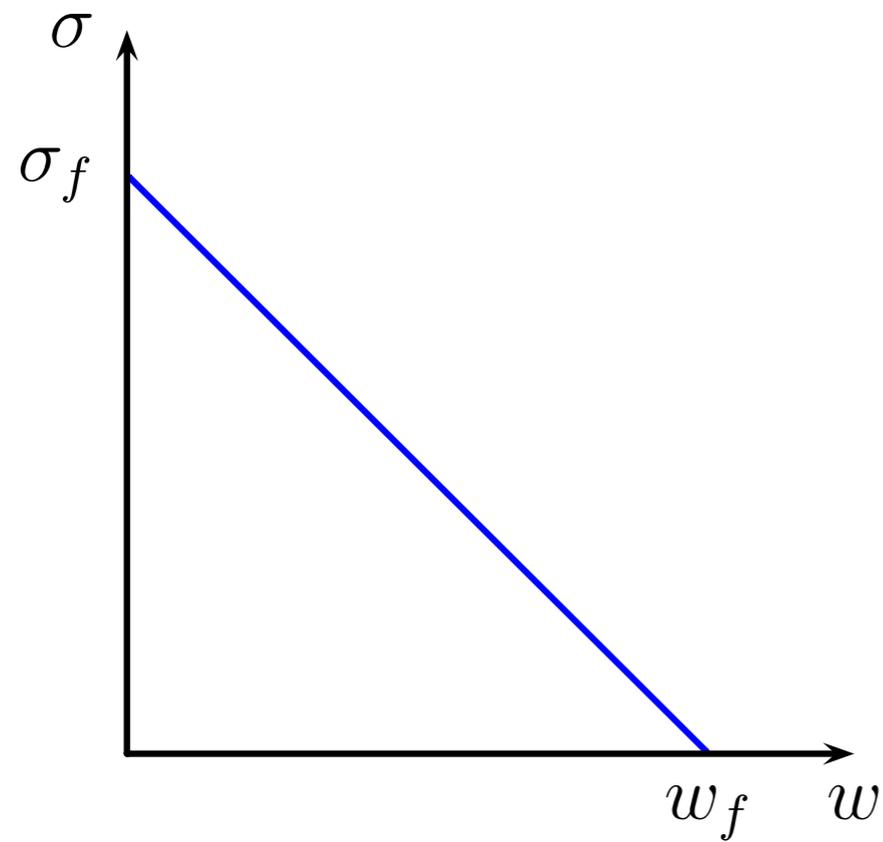
CZM and TLS ID equivalence



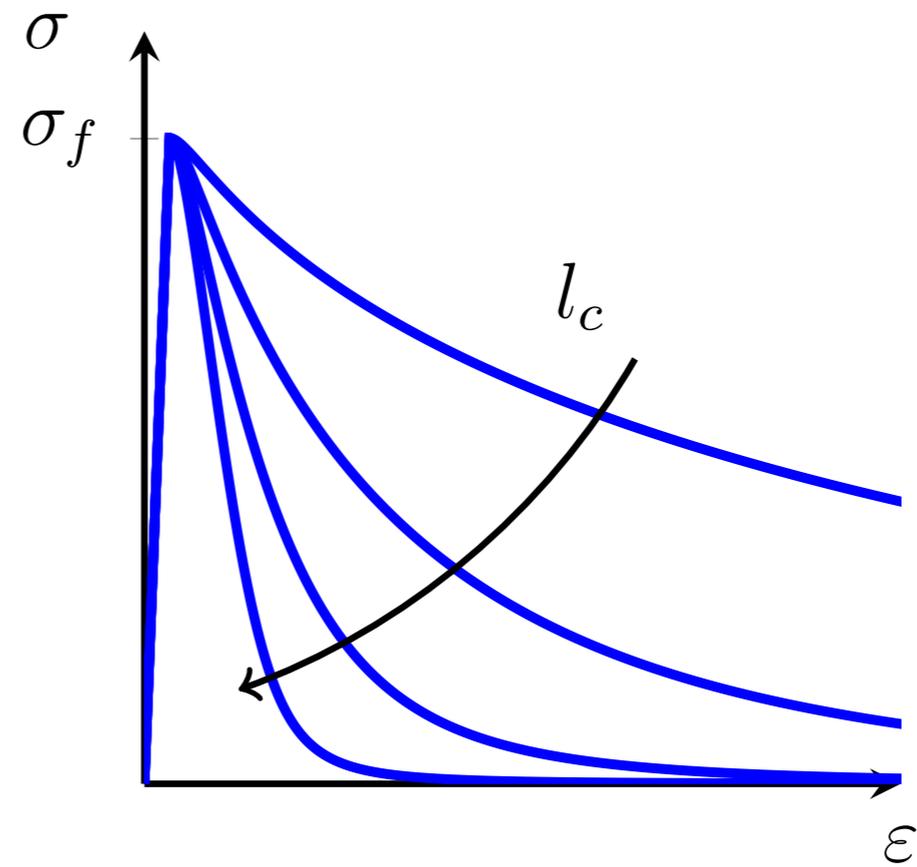
For any given stress, we impose same energy, dissipation and elongation in both models.

Note that the analysis was already carried out with other non-local approach (Cazes et al 2009, Lorentz et al. 2012)

From CZM to TLS

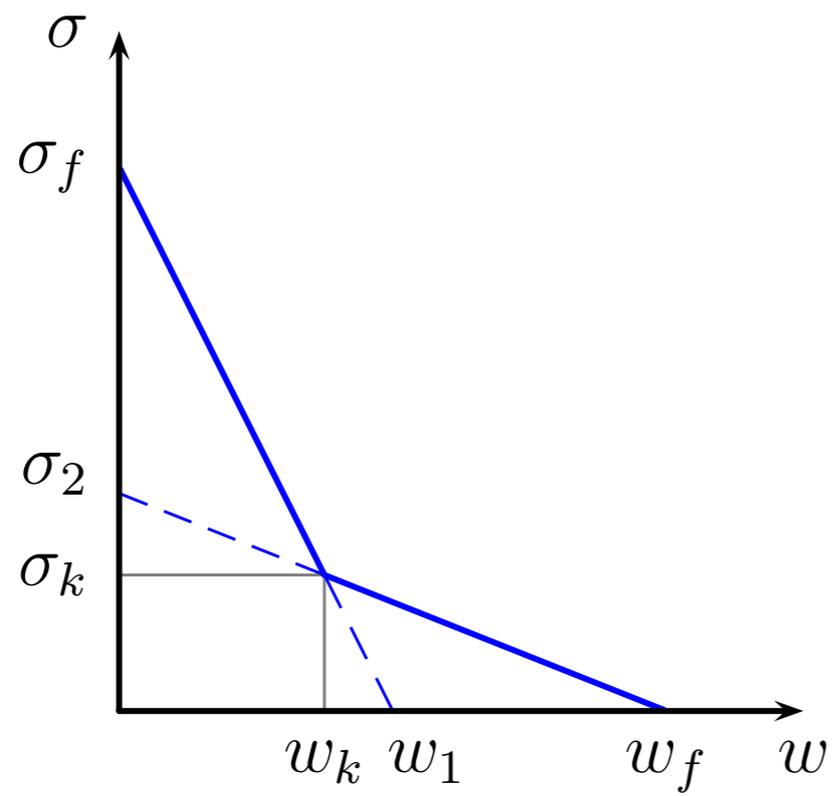


(a) Cohesive linear law.

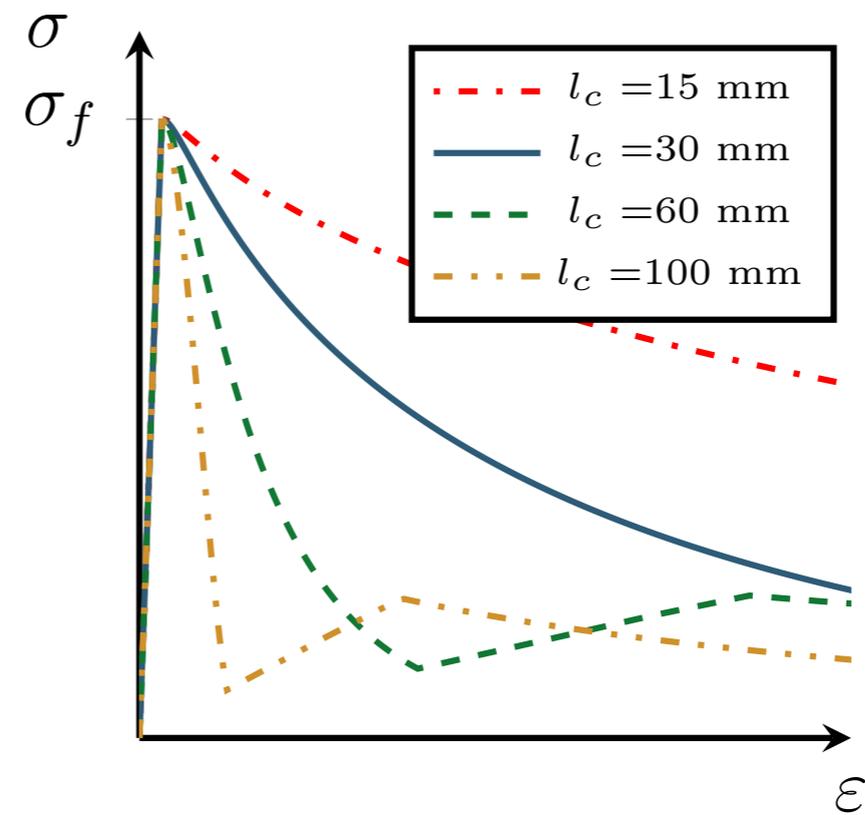


(b) TLS equivalent local behavior for different l_c values. Increasing values of l_c are indicated by the arrow.

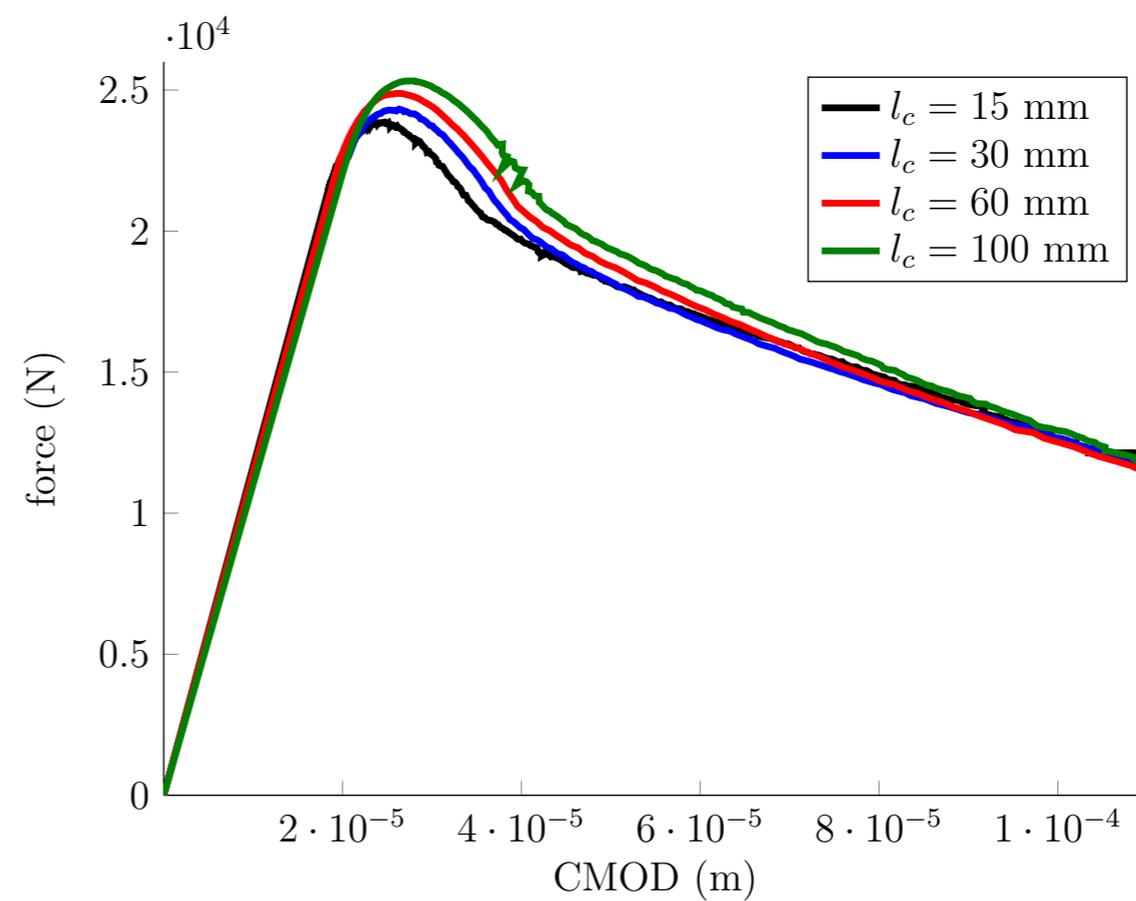
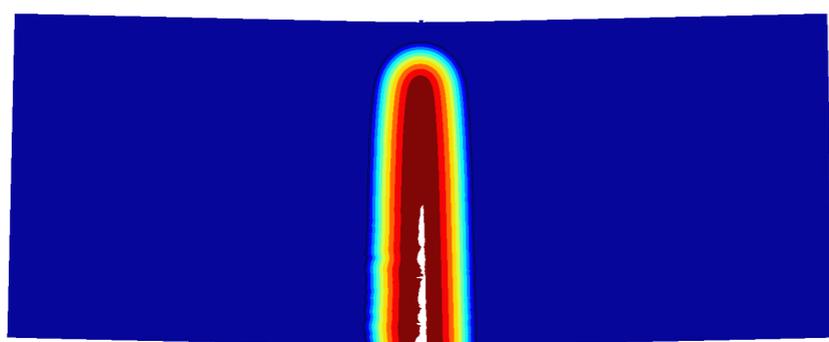
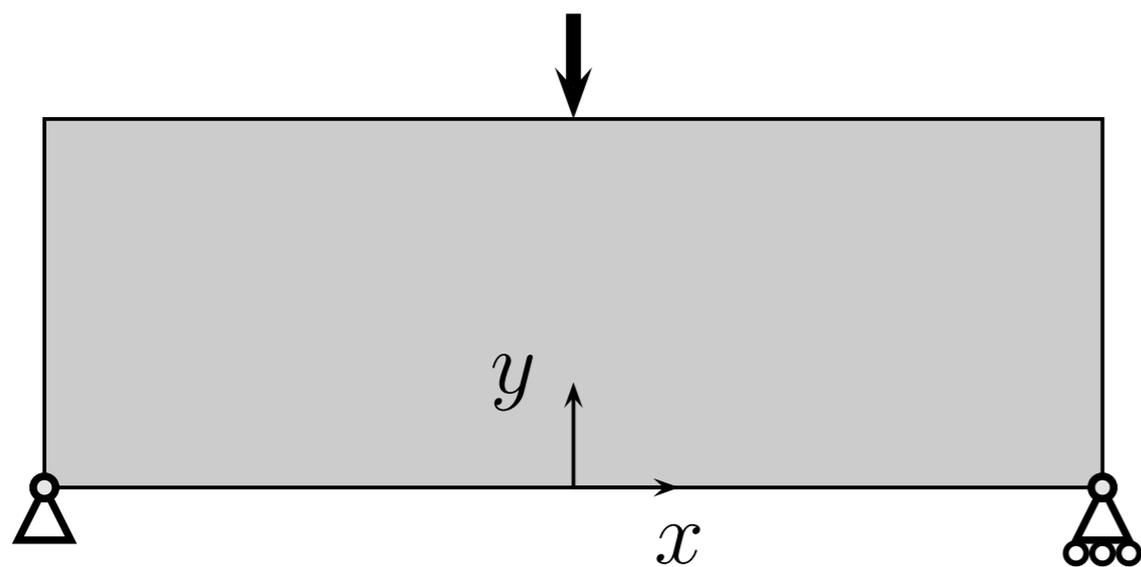
Bi-linear cohesive law case



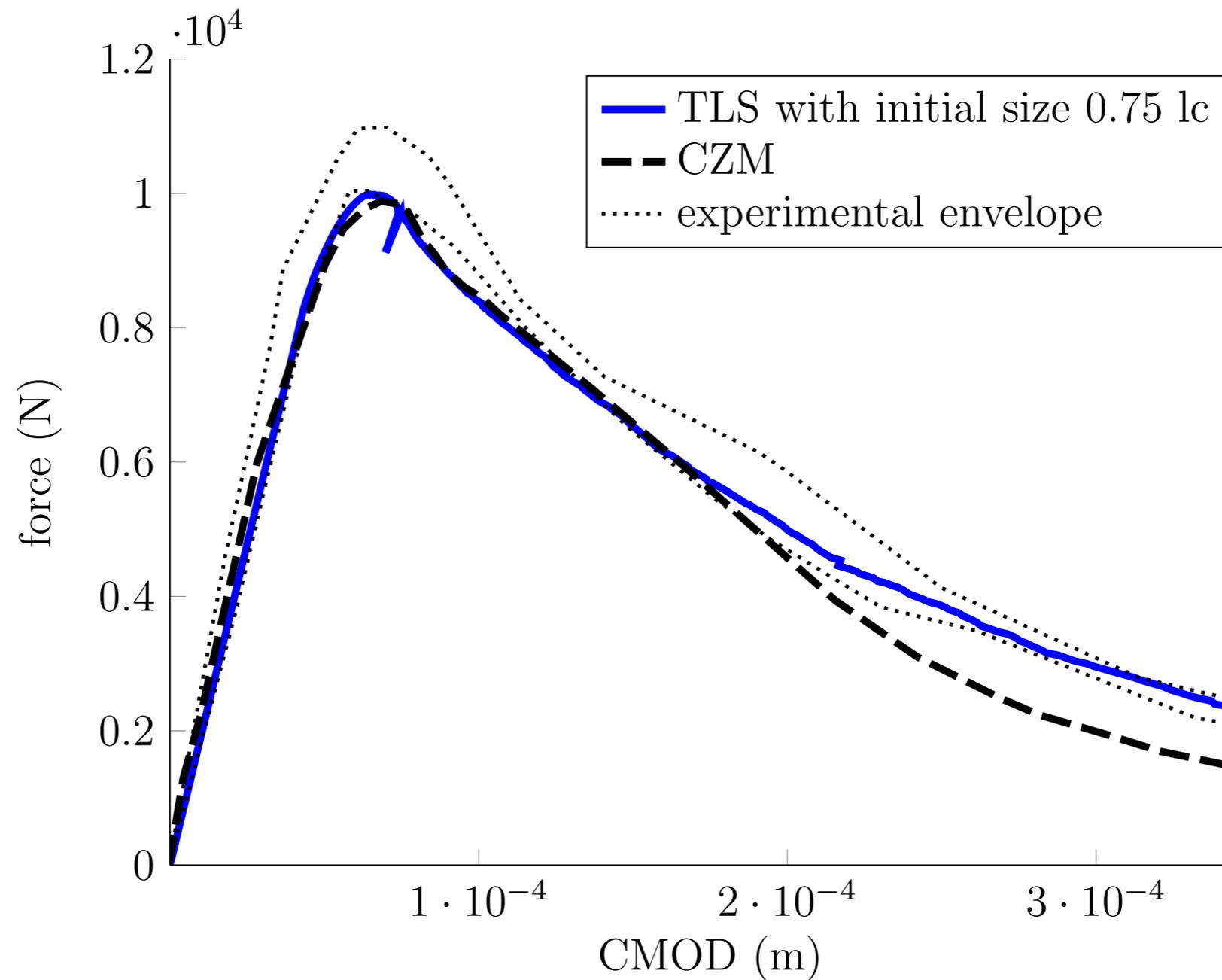
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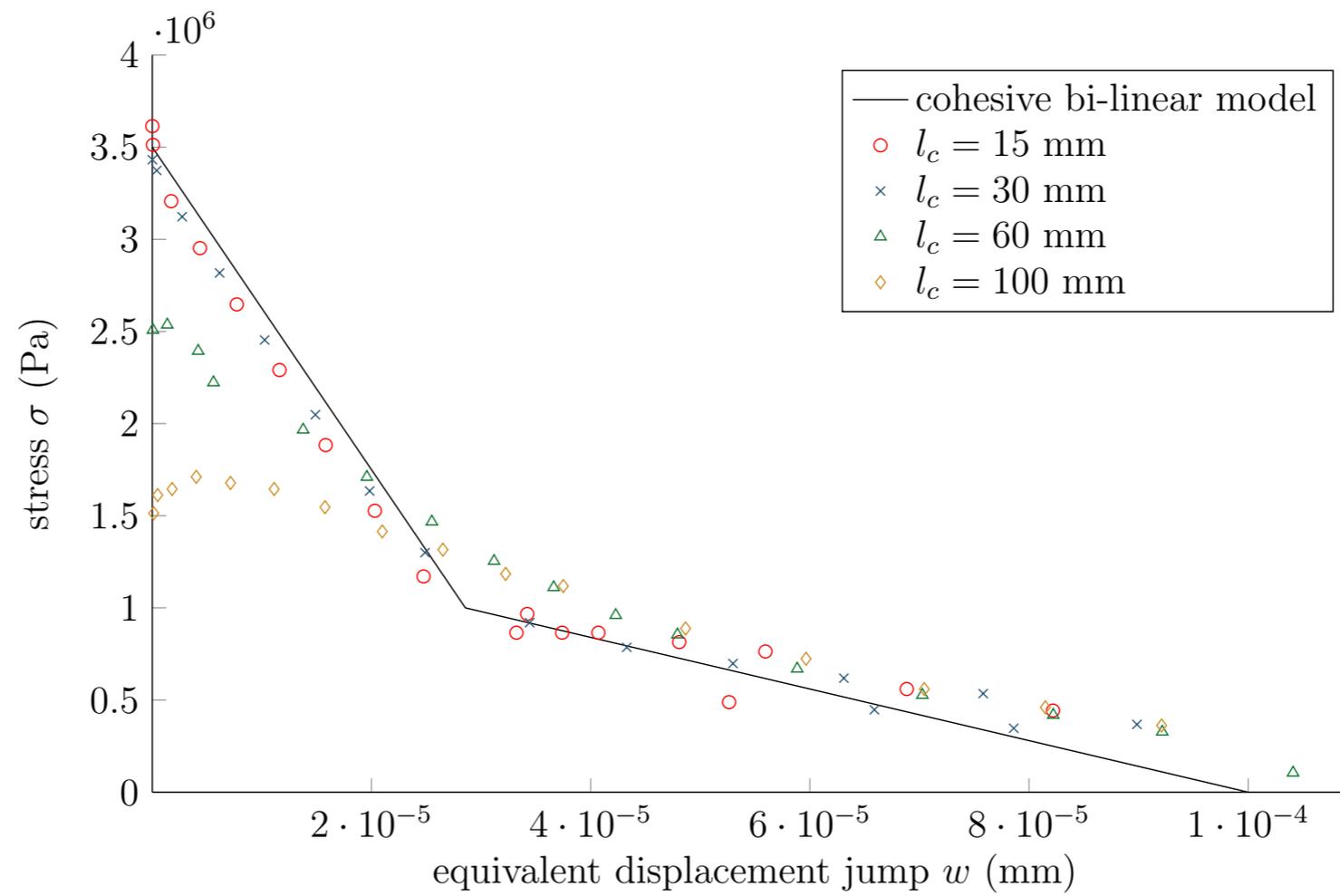
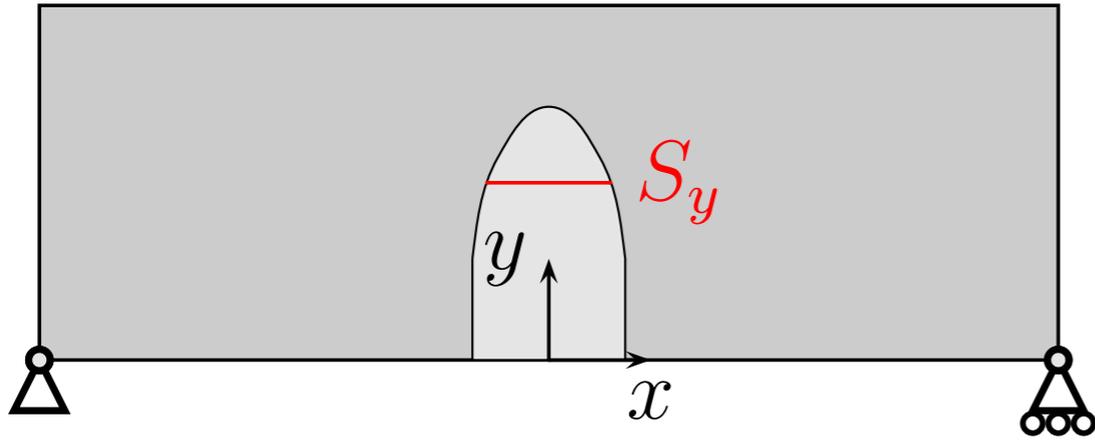
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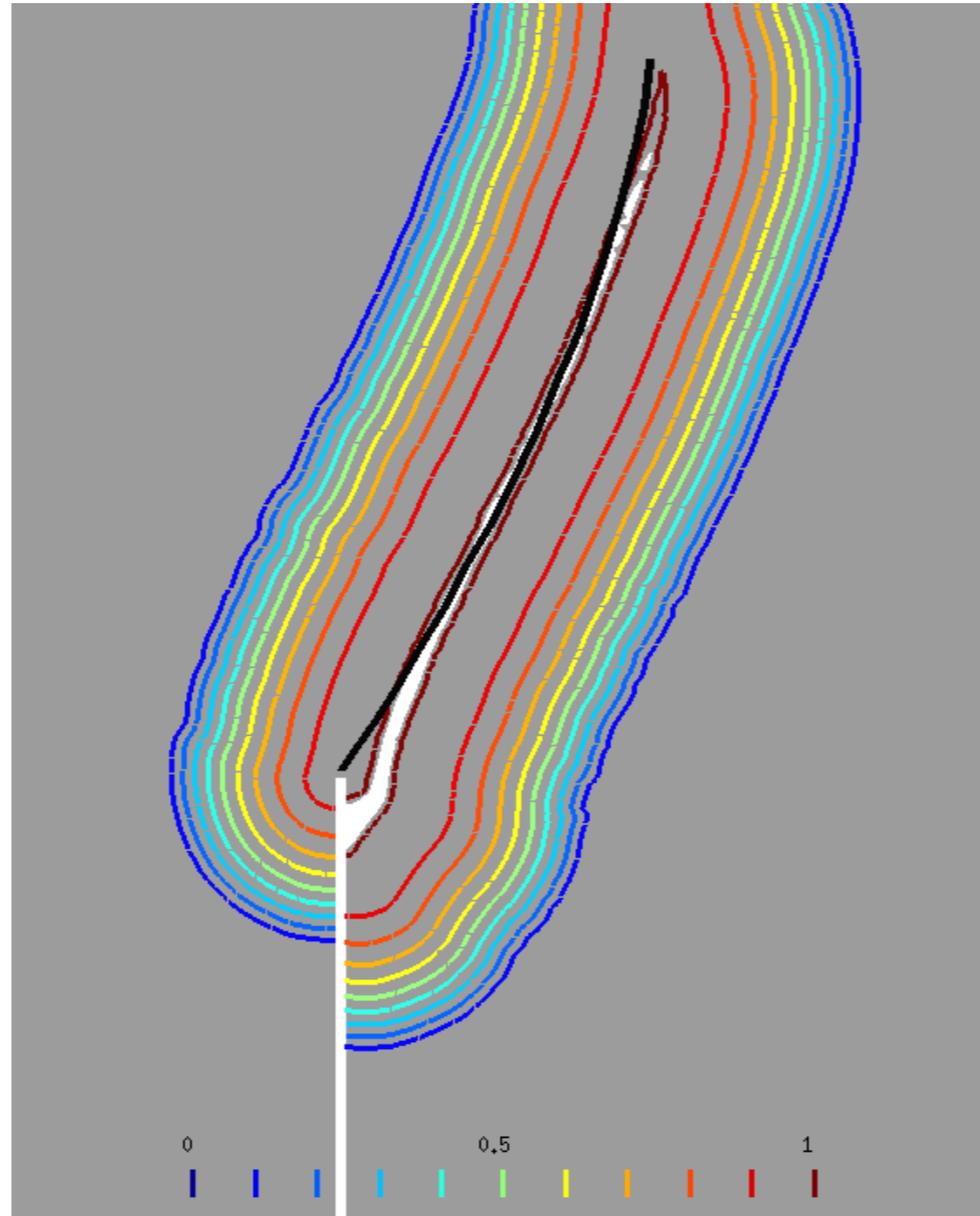
Force - CMOD results



(b) Load-CMOD curve. Plain curve is TLS (raw data), dashed one is CZM and dotted ones are the experimental envelope.



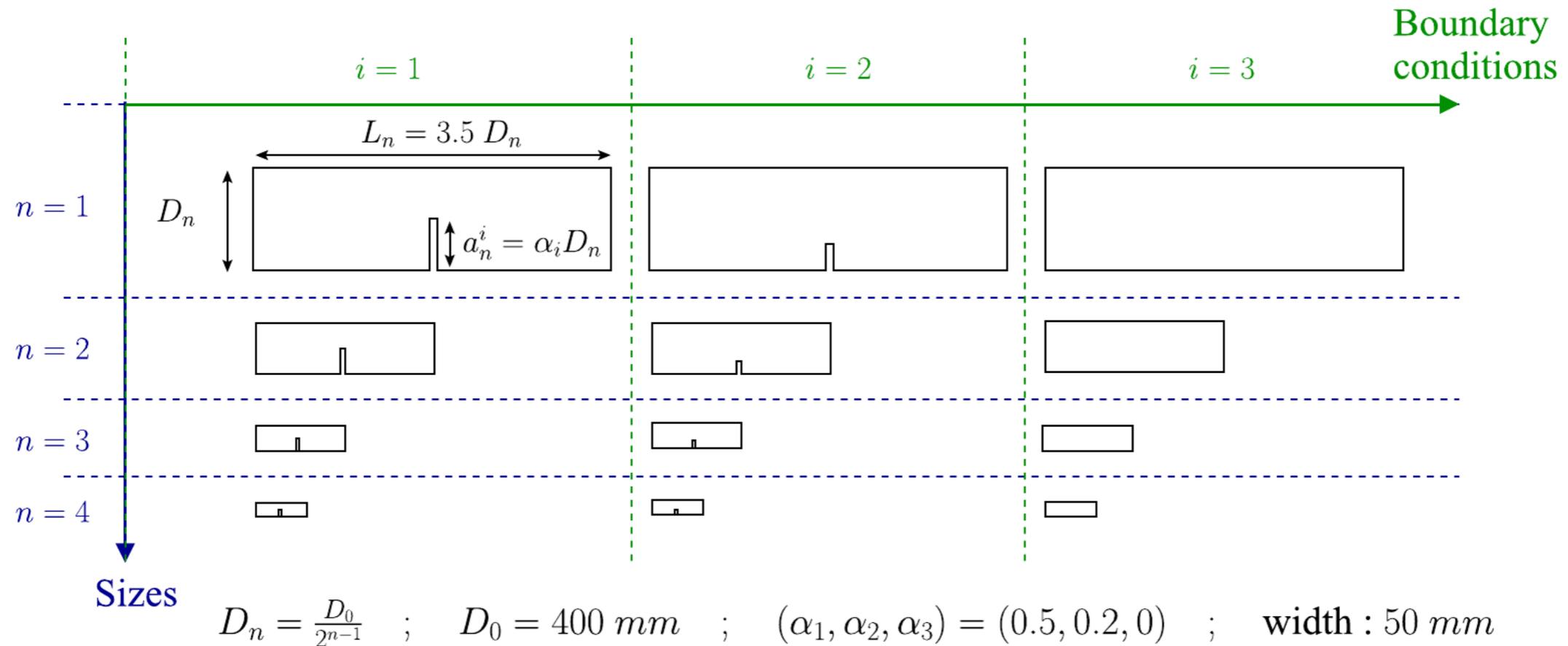
Comparison between TLS and CZM path



Analysis of size and shape effects in concrete beams

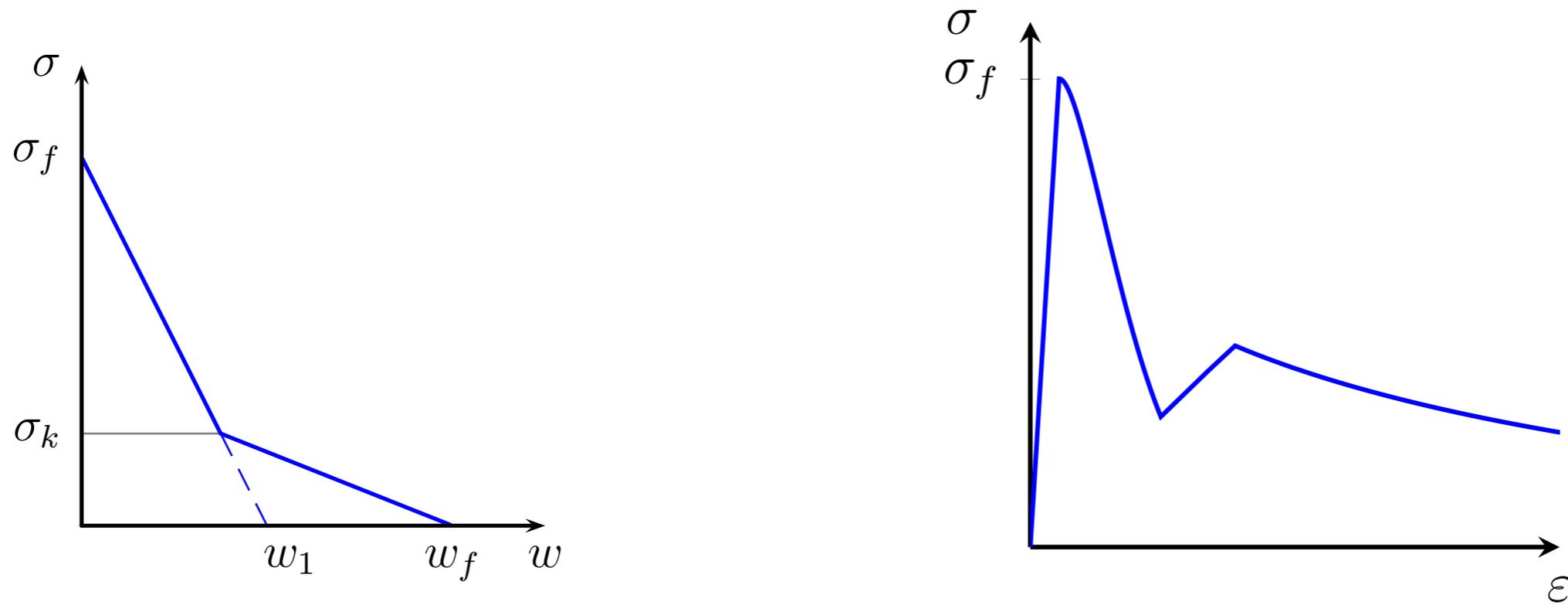
Work in progress collaboration
with D. Gregoire and G. Pijaudier-Cabot

Size Effect experiments on concrete beams (three point bending)



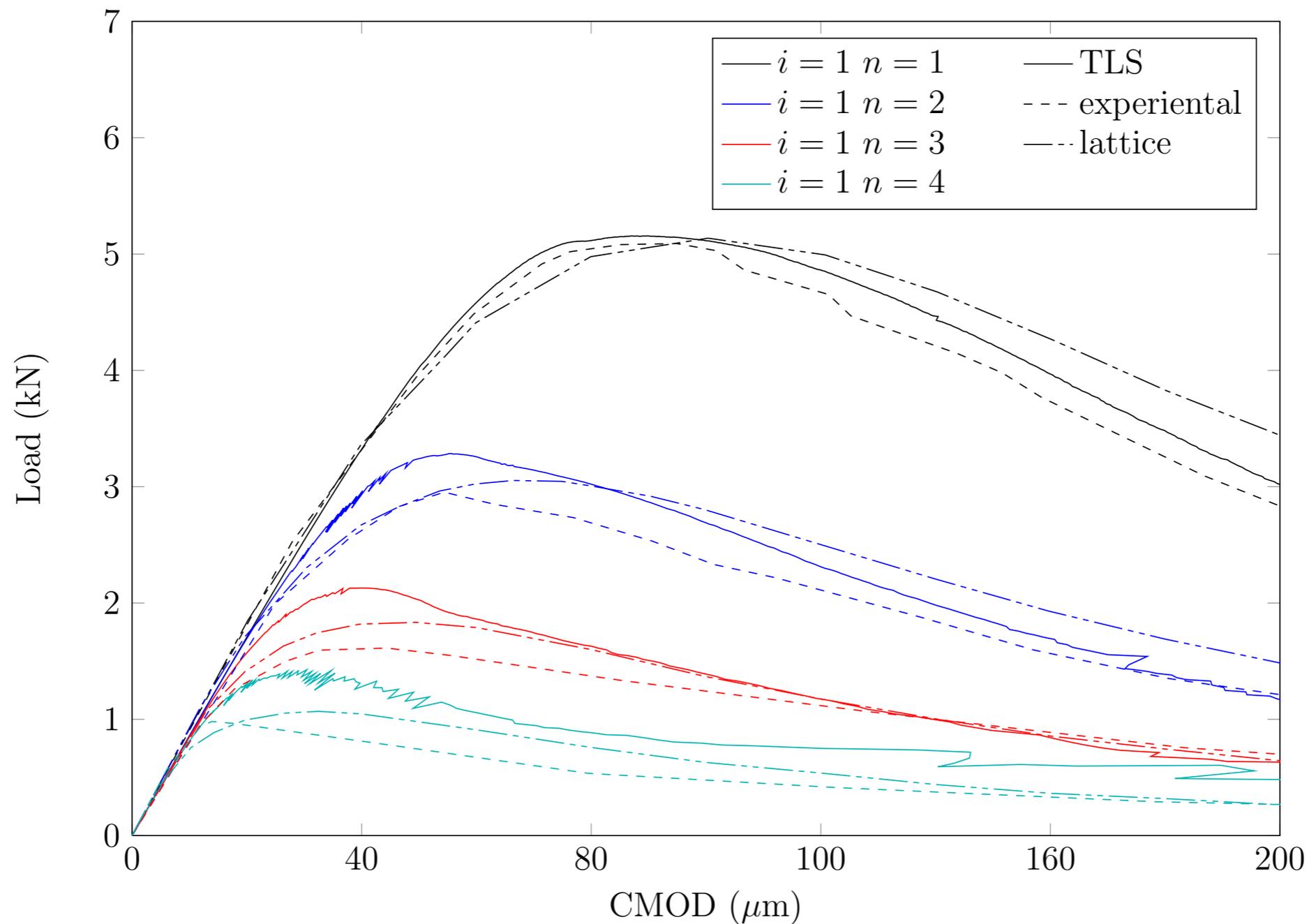
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Identified TLS parameters



	TLS simulation parameters
σ_f	3.8 MPa
σ_k	1.8 MPa
w_1	23 μm
w_f	55 μm

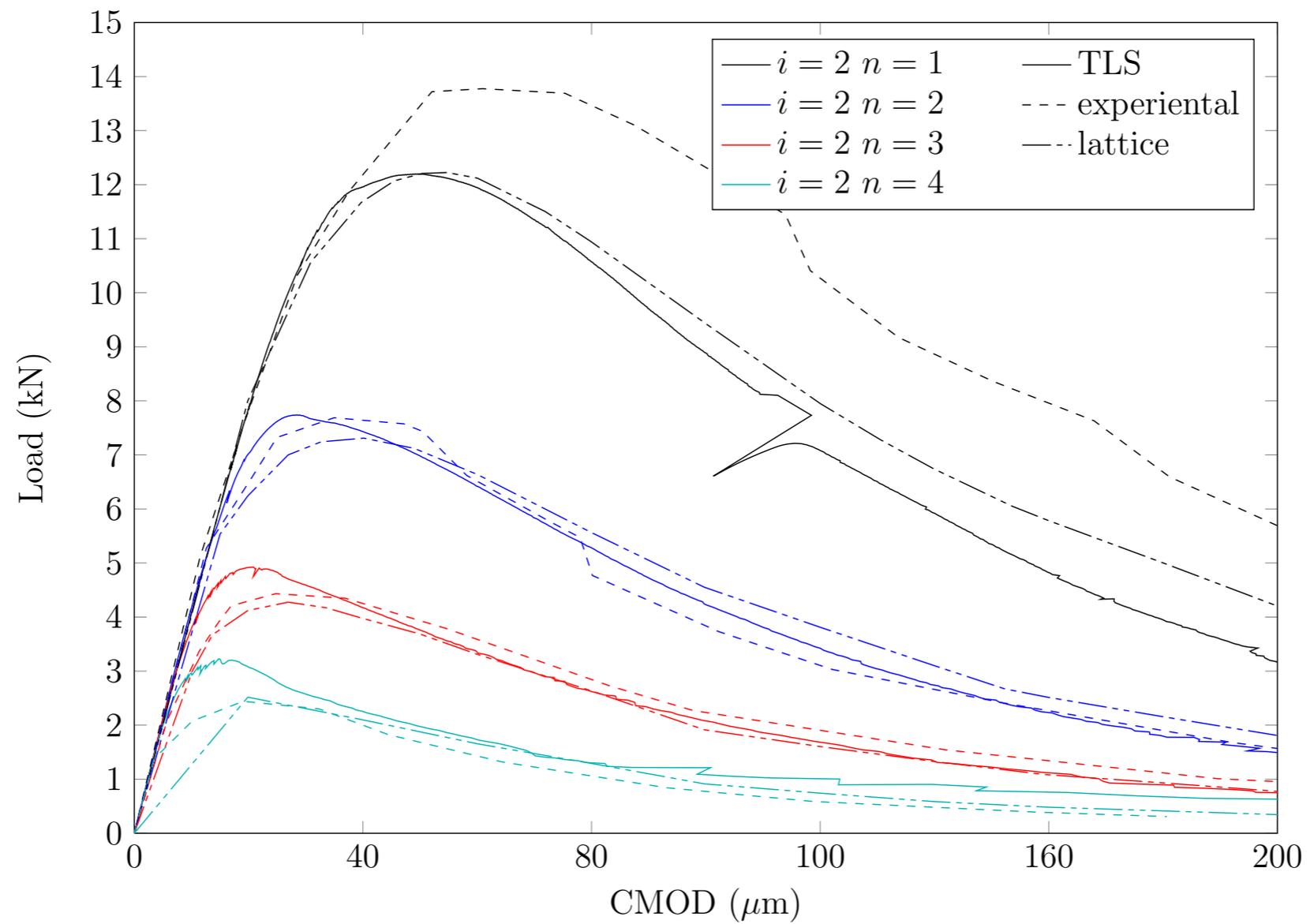
Deep notch



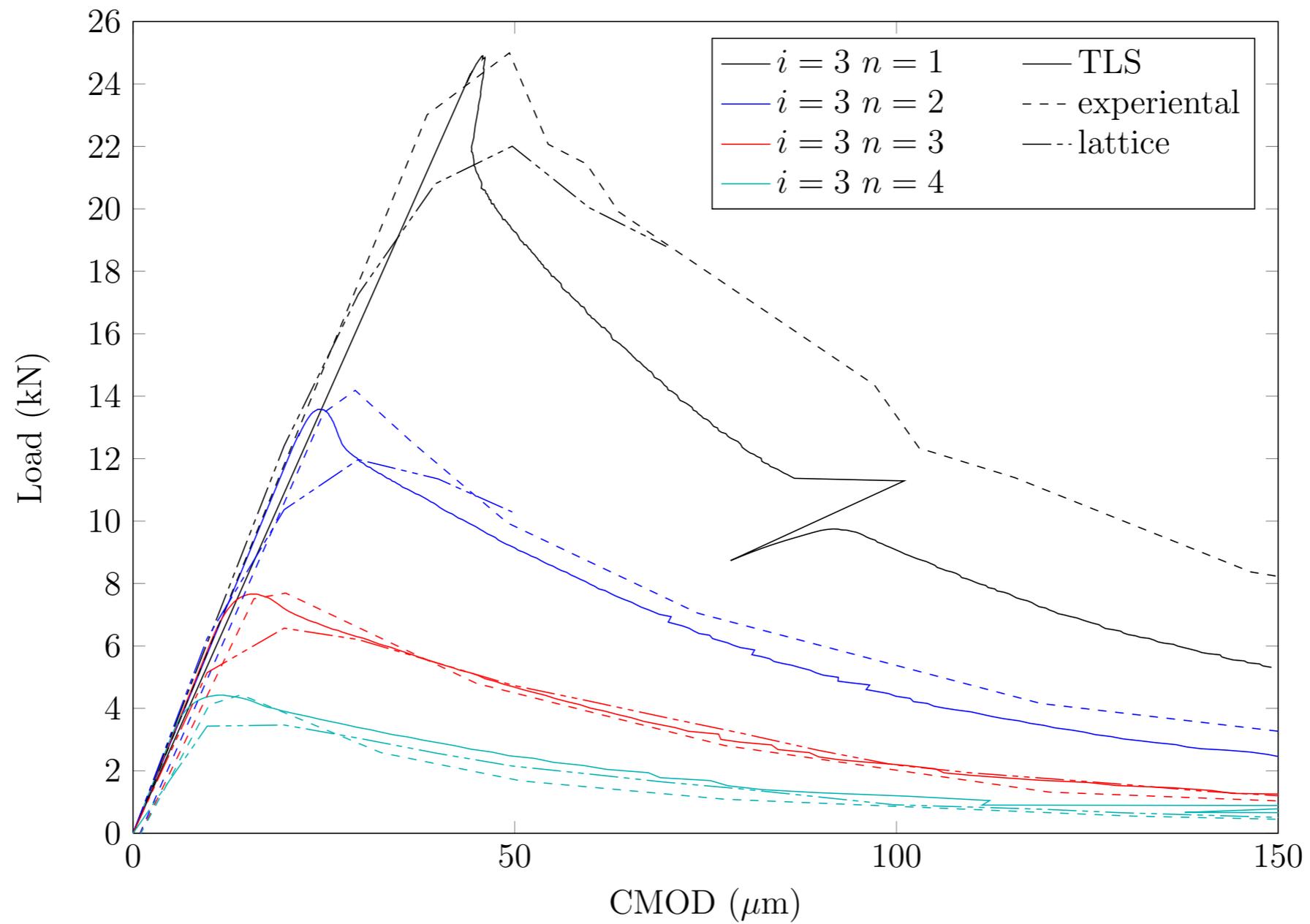
Lattice model:

P. Grassl, D. Grégoire, B. Rojas-Solano, Laura, and G. Pijaudier-Cabot, "Meso-scale modelling of the size effect on the fracture process zone of concrete," *International Journal of Solids and Structures*, vol. 49, no. 13, pp. 1818–1827, 2012.

Small Notch



No notch



Conclusions on TLS

- Crack appears automatically and X-FEM may be used to model displacement jump
- Automatic separation between local and non-local zone
- Smooth transition into non-locality
- No matrix solve for damage update
- For quasi-brittle material, TLS generalizes CZM giving thickness $2l_c$
- It seems to fit size effect for concrete beams

Under way

- From visco-damage to fracture (with Ifsttar O. Chupin and J-M Piau) poster 2pm
- Several damage variables (with C. Comi Politecnico de Milano) and damage anisotropy
- Cracks in reinforced concrete
- Fragmentation (with J. Dolbow & A. Sterchic Duke University)
- Ductile failure
- CFRAC conference 14-16 June 2017 Nantes