



# The Anomalous Elastic and Yield Behavior of Fused Silica Glass: A Variational and Multiscale Perspective

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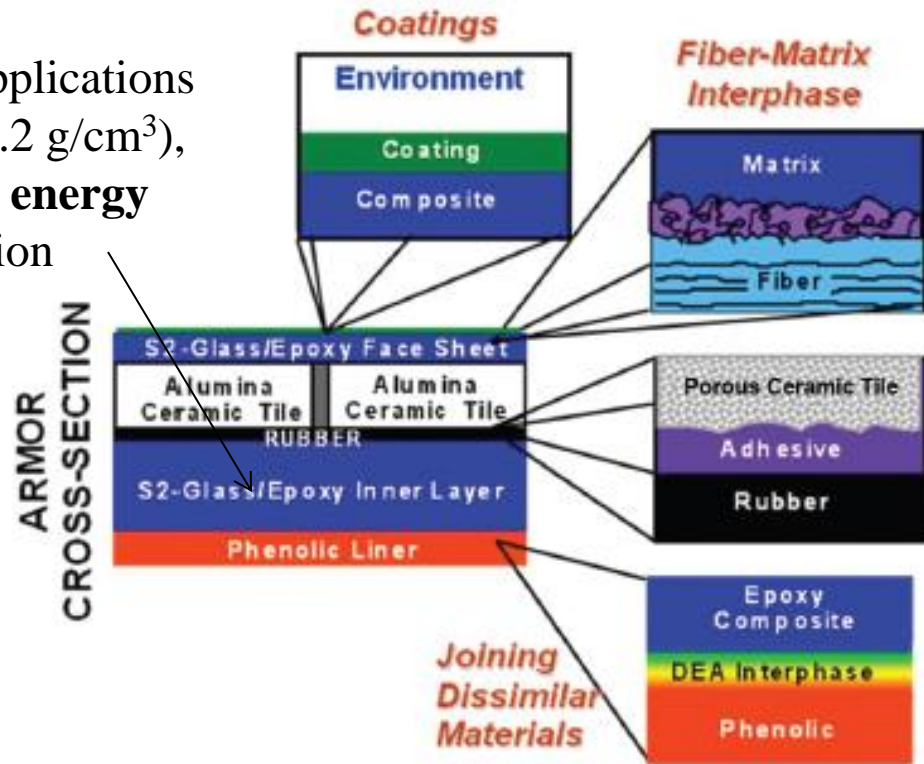
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# Glass as protection material

- Glass is attractive in many applications because of its **low density** ( $2.2 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ), **high strength** (5-6 GPa) and **energy dissipation** due to densification

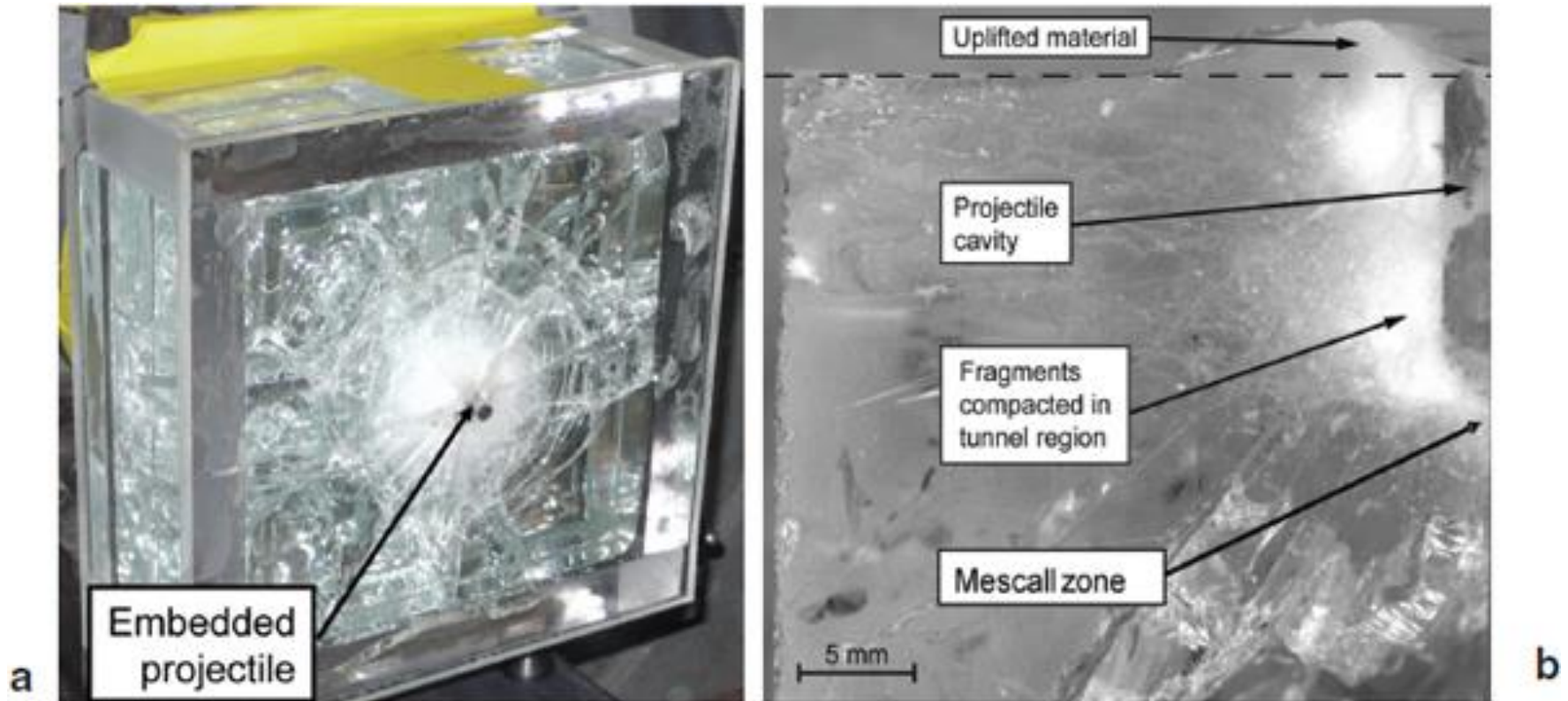


Cross section of armor tile typically used in armored vehicles showing complexity of armor architecture.

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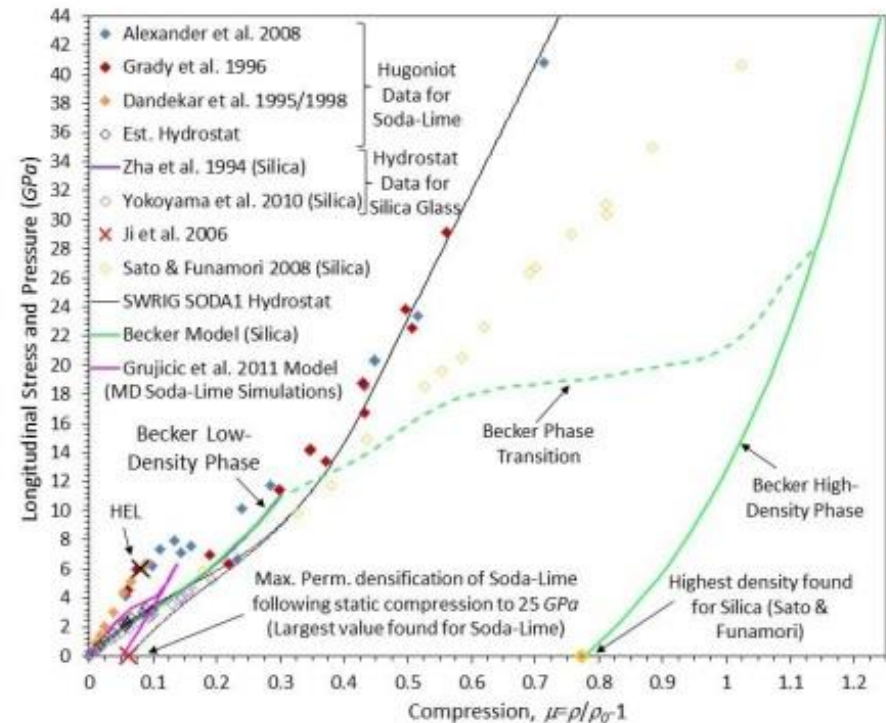


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# Fused silica glass: Densification

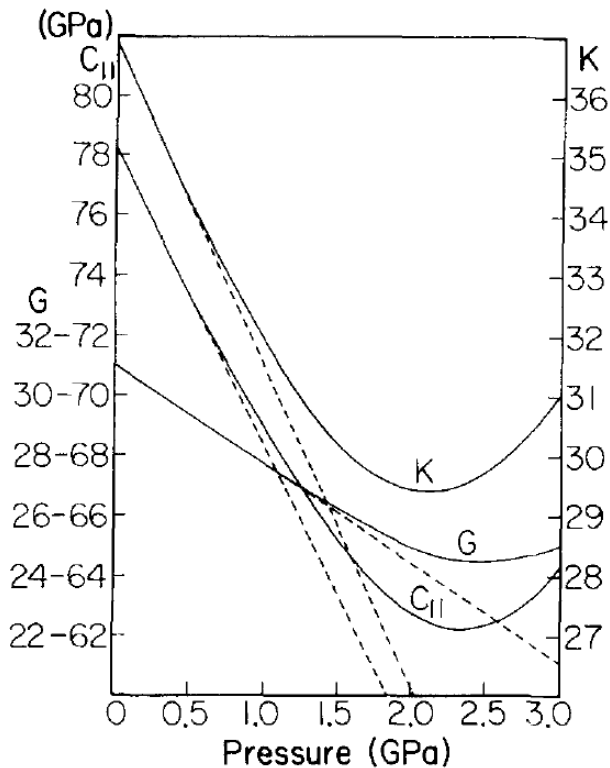
- The equation of state of glass in compression exhibits a **densification** phase transition at a pressure of 20 GPa
- For a glass starting in its low-density phase, upon the attainment of the transition pressure the glass begins to undergo a **permanent reduction in volume**
- Reductions of up to 77% at pressures of 55 GPa have been reported
- The transformation is **irreversible**, and unloading takes place along a densified equation of state resulting in permanent volumetric deformation



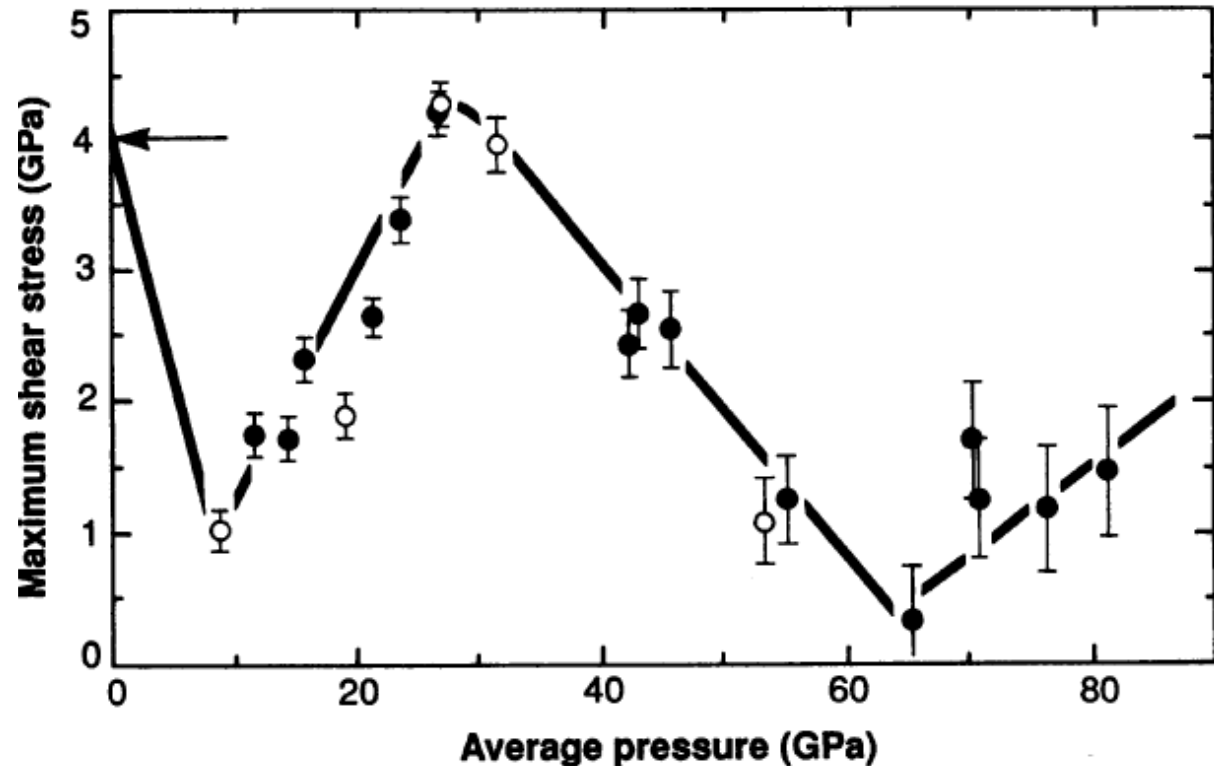
*Compilation of equation-of-state data for glass (soda lime and fused silica)<sup>1</sup>.*

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# Fused silica glass: Pressure-shear



Measured elastic moduli showing *anomalous* dependence on pressure<sup>1</sup>



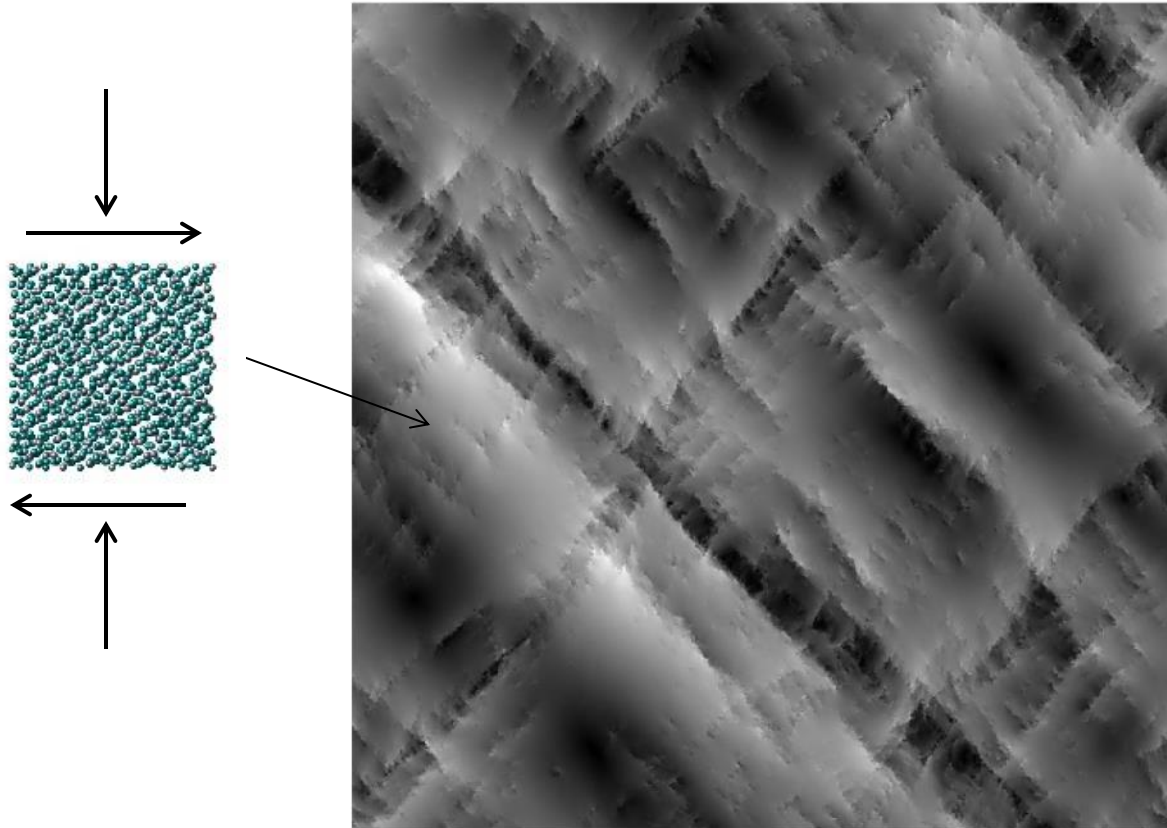
Measured shear yield stress vs. pressure showing *non-convex* dependence on pressure<sup>2</sup>

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Molecular Dynamics (MD) simulation of amorphous solid showing patterning of deformation field<sup>1</sup>

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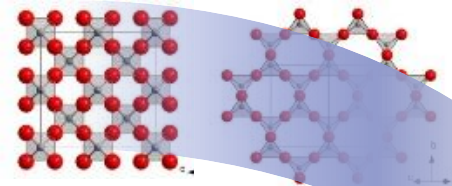
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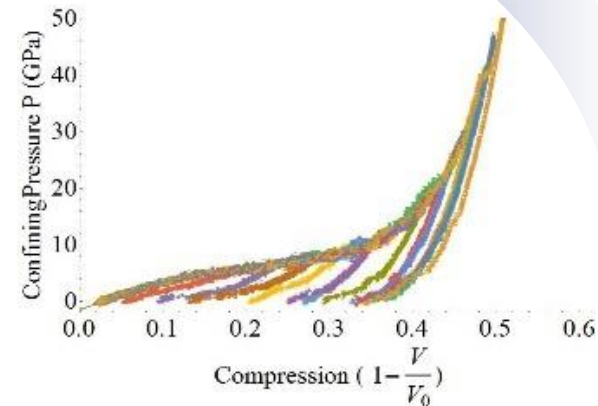
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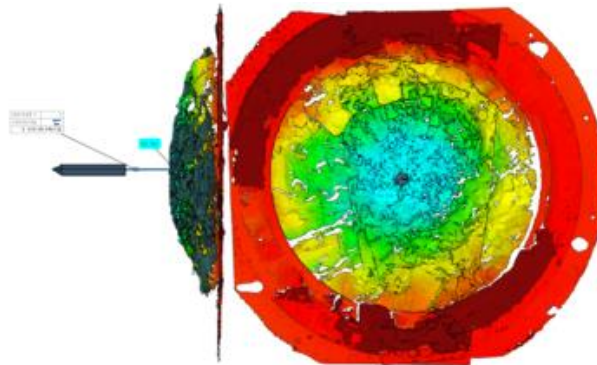
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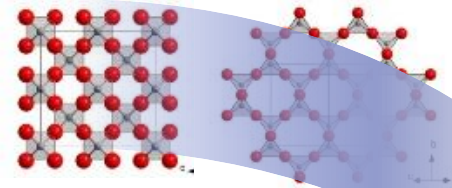
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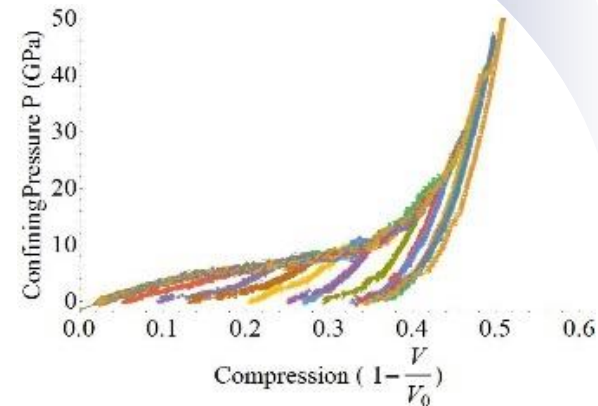
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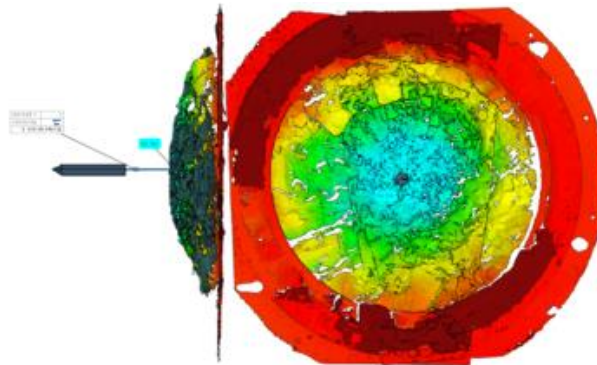
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# Computational model – MD

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## **Molecular Dynamics Calculations:**

- Calculations performed using **Sandia National Laboratories (SNL) Large-scale Atomic/Molecular Massively Parallel Simulator LAMMPS** (*Plimpton S, J Comp Phys, 117(1995):1-19*).

## **Long-Range Coulombic Interactions:**

- Summation is performed in K-space using **Ewald summation**
- Important Features: Rapid/absolute convergence, domain independence

## **Time integration:**

- **Velocity-Verlet** time integration scheme
- Important Features: Time reversible, symplectic, one force evaluation per step

## **Other computational details:**

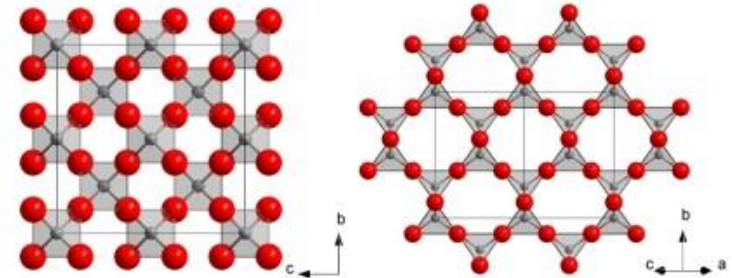
- Stresses computed through virial theorem
- Strain rate  $\sim 1 \times 10^7$  1/s
- NVE ensemble: temperatures computed from kinetic energy
- NVT ensemble: Thermostating

# RVE setup – Quenching

**Starting structure:  $\beta$ -cristobalite**

**$\beta$ -cristobalite:** Polymorph characterized by **corner-bonded  $\text{SiO}_4$  tetrahedra**

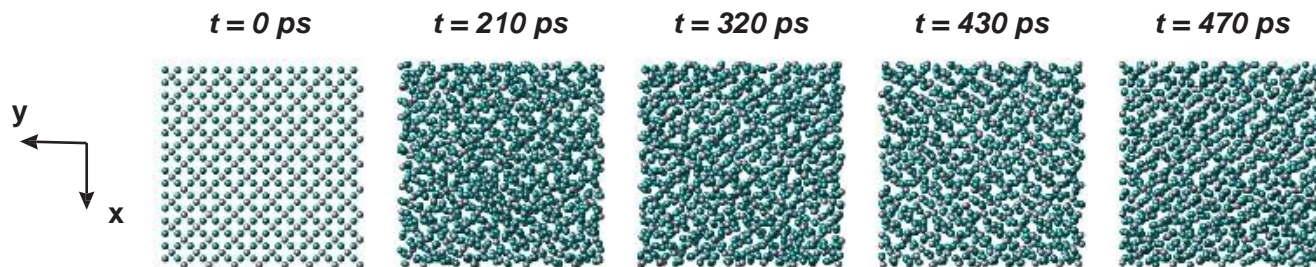
**Amorphous** structure of fused silica: Obtained through the **fast quenching** of a melt



*Ideal structure of  $\beta$ -cristobalite (adapted from <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cristobalite>)*

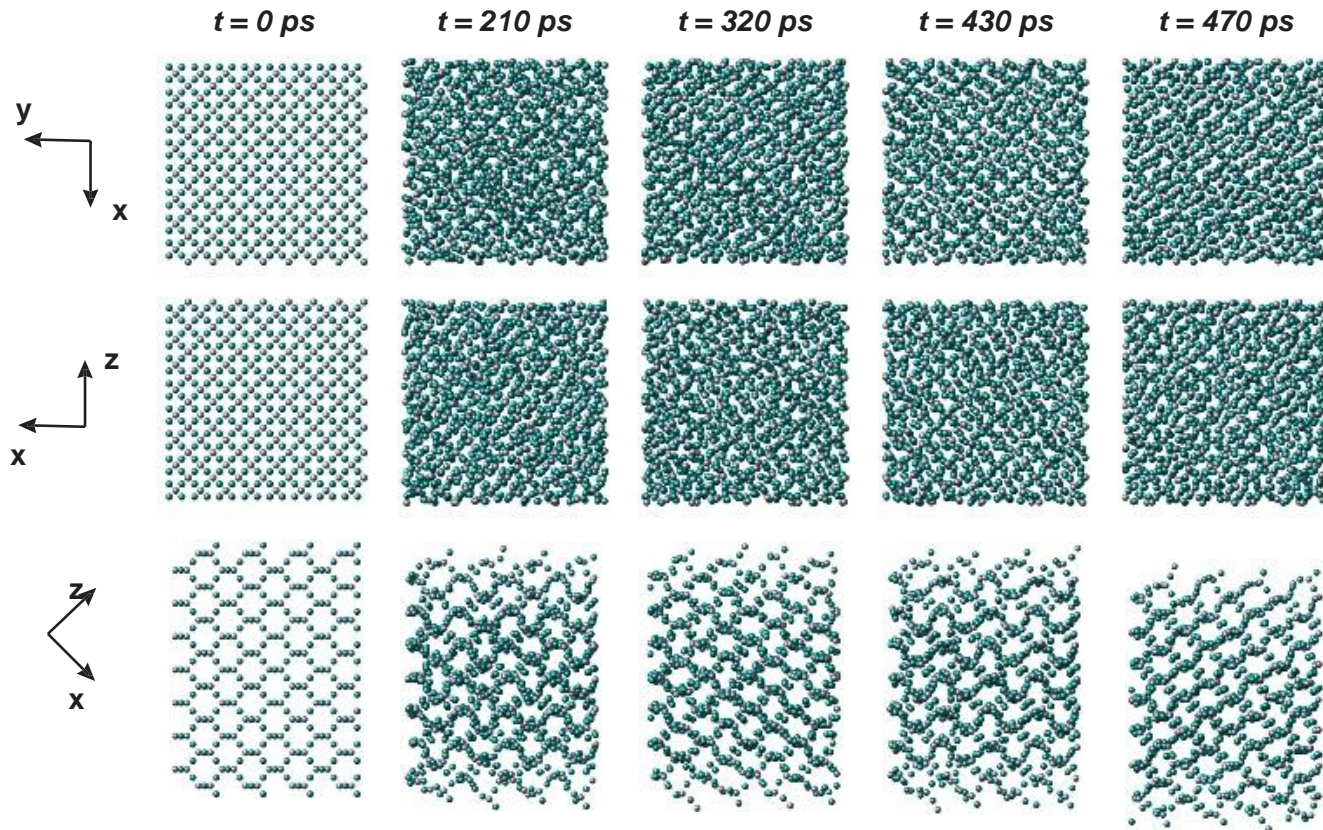
Steps taken during **quenching** process:

- Uniform temperature decrease from 5000 K to 300 K, decreasing the temperature with steps of 500 K
- Total cooling time: 470 ps



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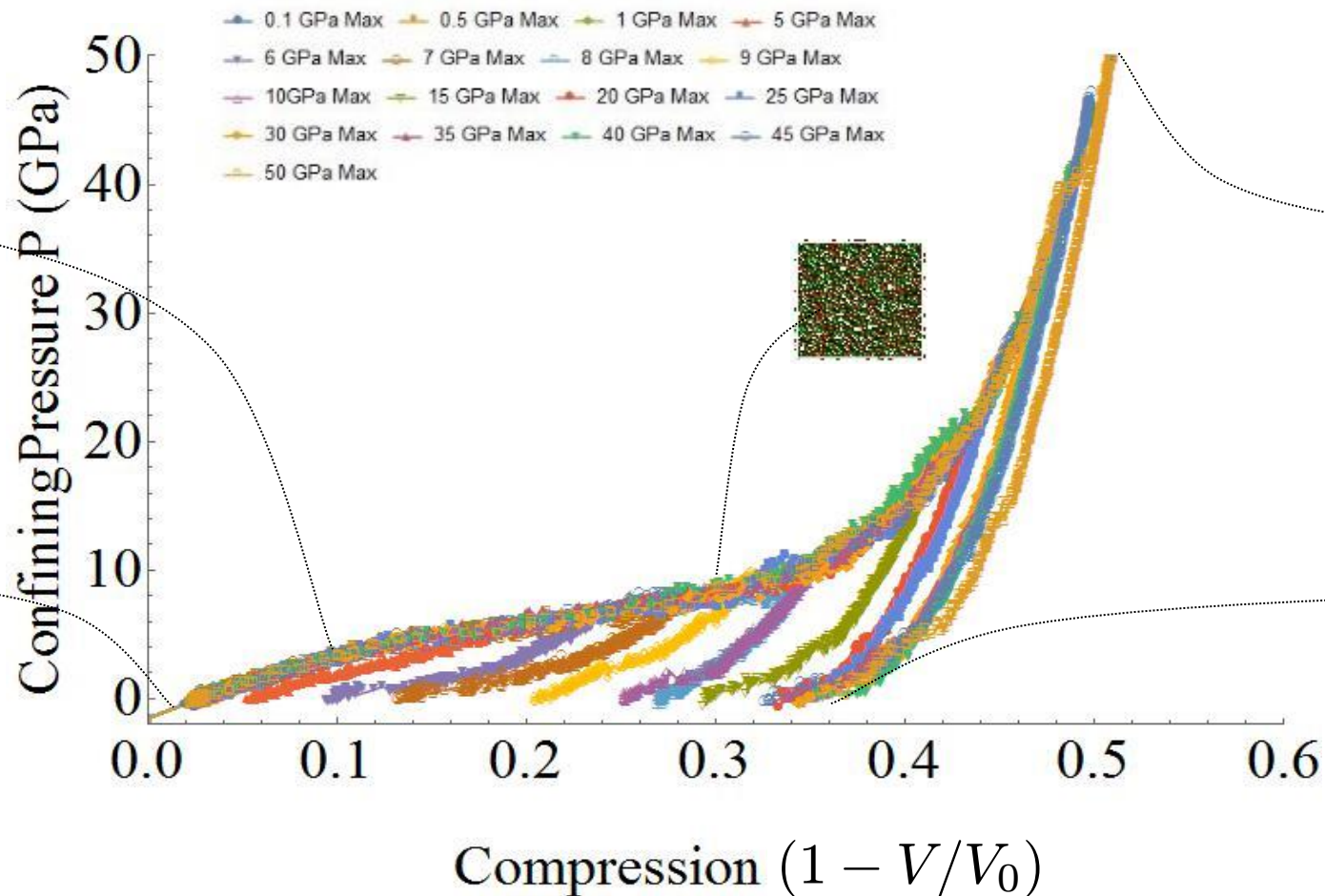
**Rapid cooling of a  $\beta$ -cristobalite melt:** Generation of an **amorphous** structure



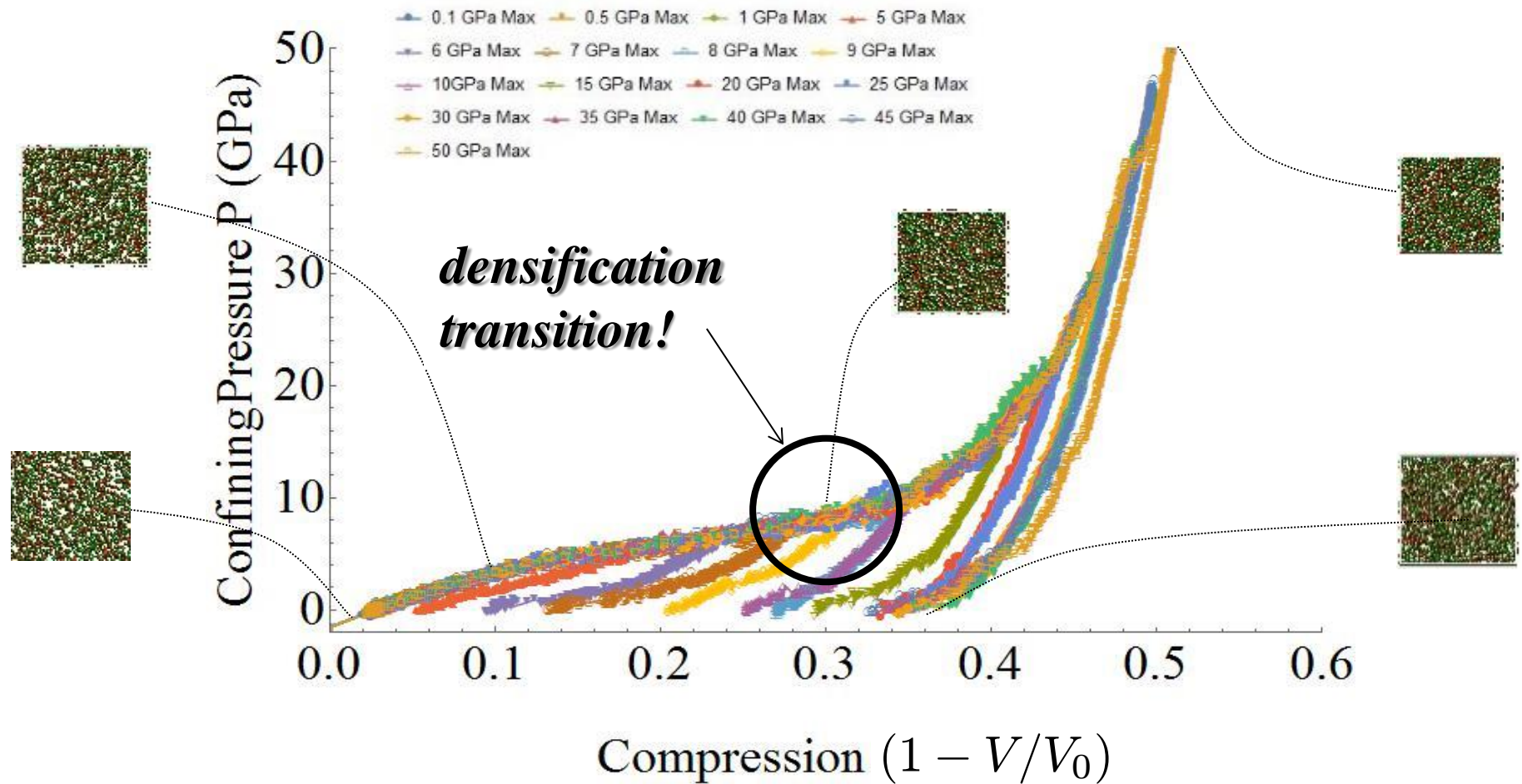
Quenching procedure for the generation of amorphous silica.  $T = 5000 \text{ K}$  at  $t = 0 \text{ ps}$  and  $T = 300 \text{ K}$  at  $t = 470 \text{ ps}$ .



# Results – Volumetric compression

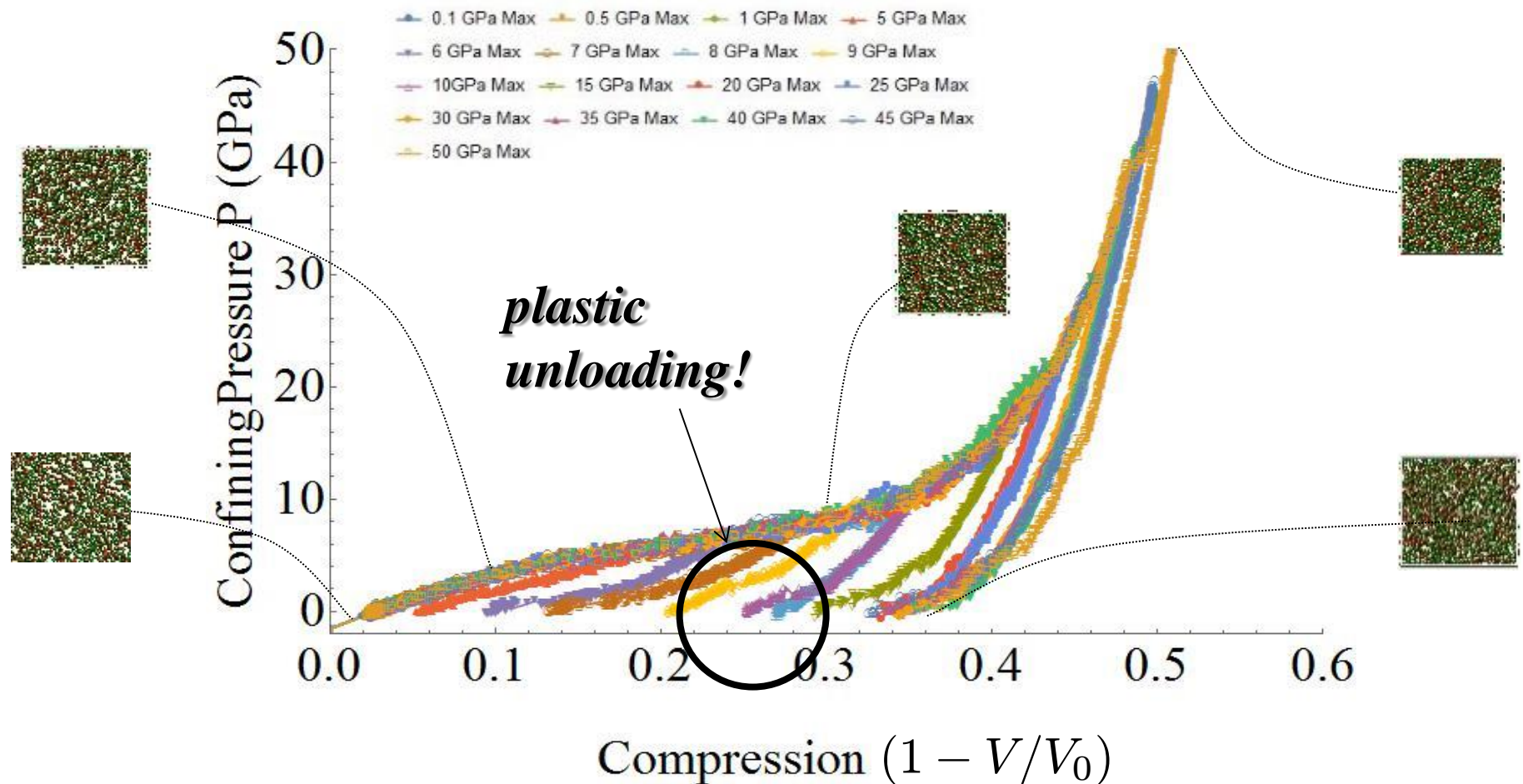


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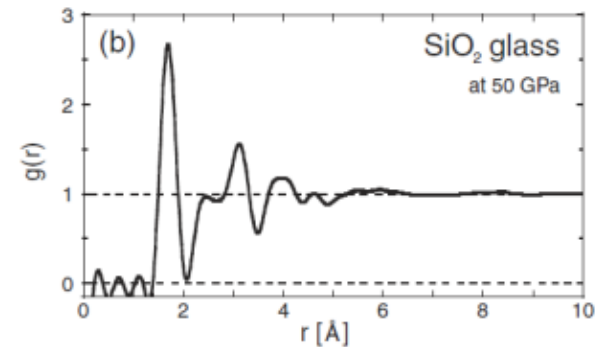
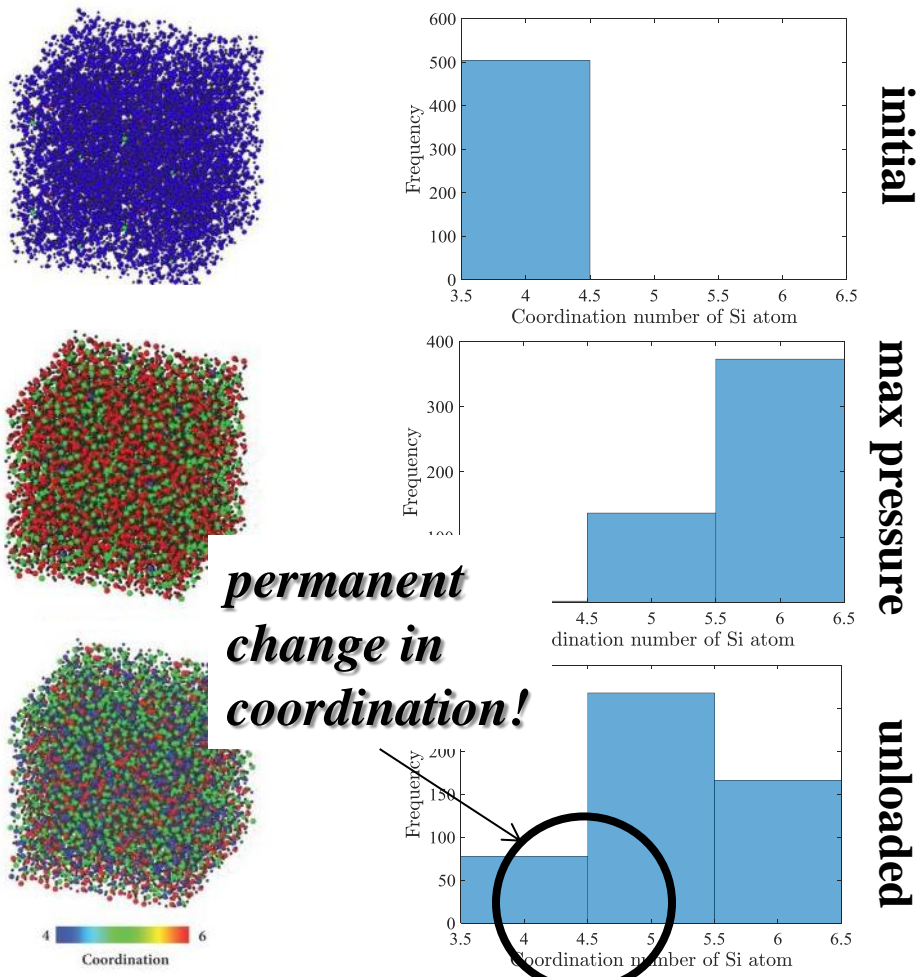
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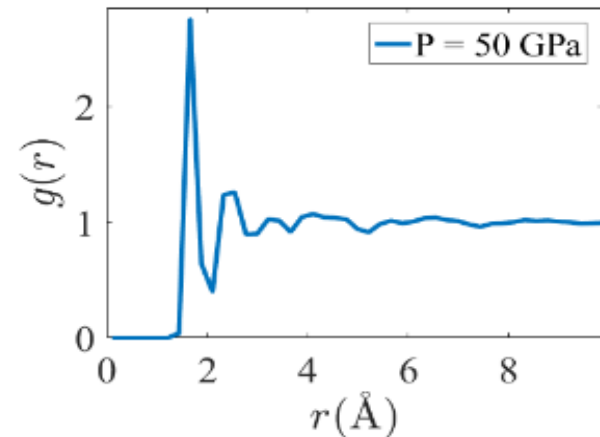
# Molecular basis of densification

## Hydrostatic compression/ decompression of amorphous silica:

- Molecular dynamics results exhibit irreversible densification at 14-20 GPa
- Molecular dynamics generated rdf are in good overall agreement with data



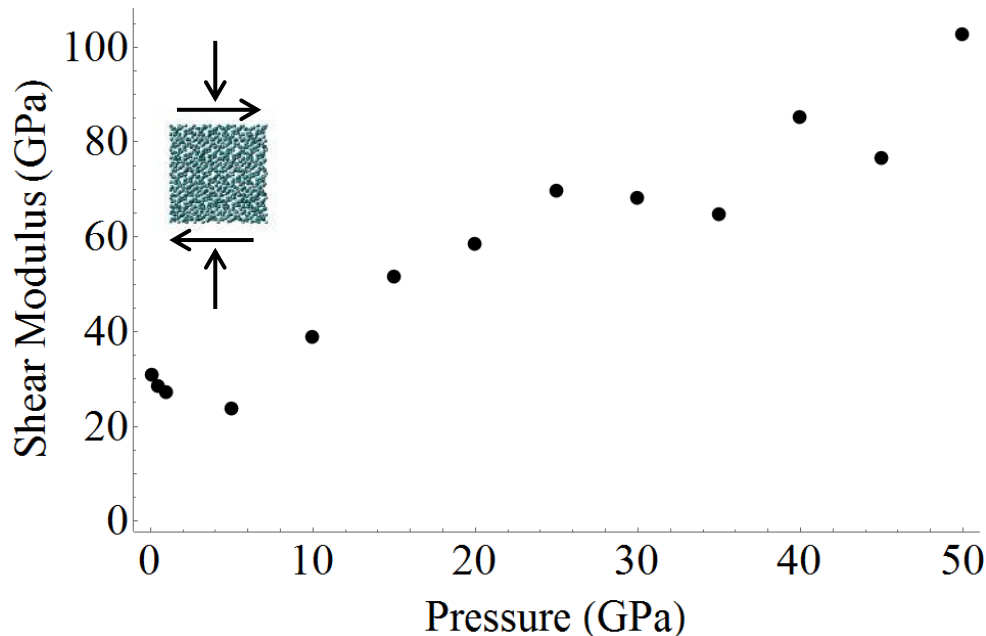
(Sato and Funamori, 2010)



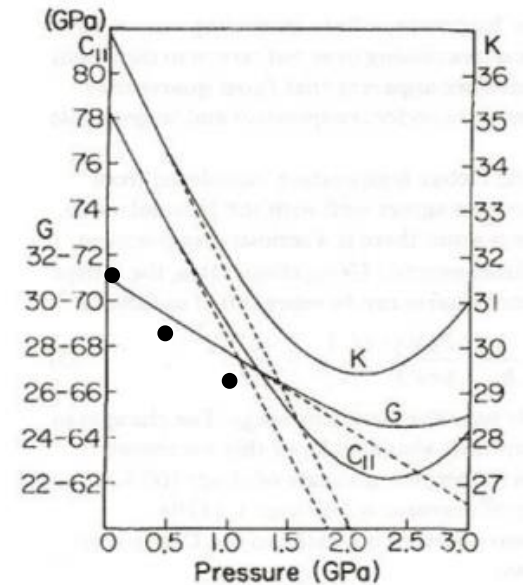
# Shear modulus vs. pressure

## Shear modulus of amorphous silica at constant pressure:

- Shear modulus decreases (increases) at low (high) pressure
- Anomalous shear modulus shows agreement with experiment



Initial shear modulus *versus* pressure



Kondo et al. (1981)

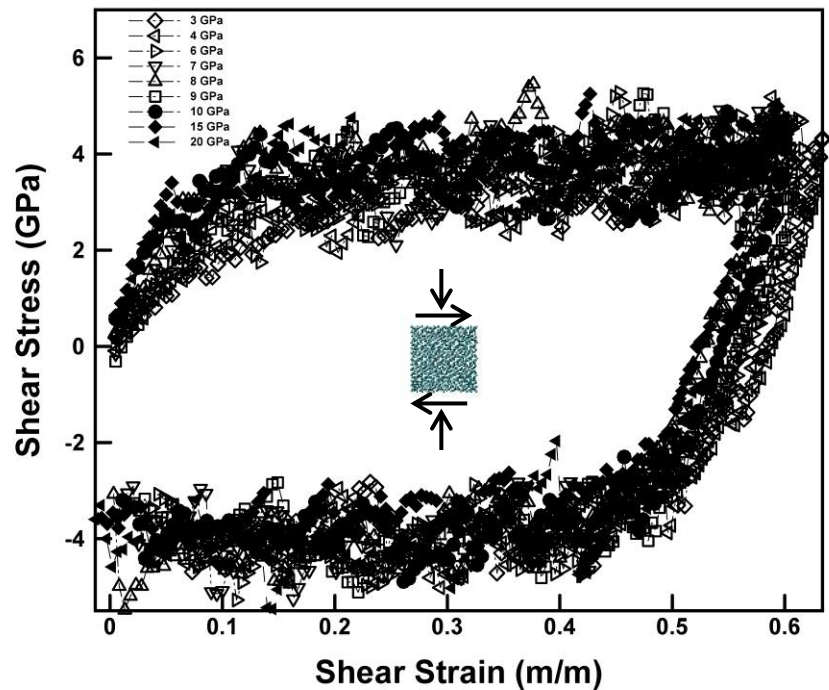
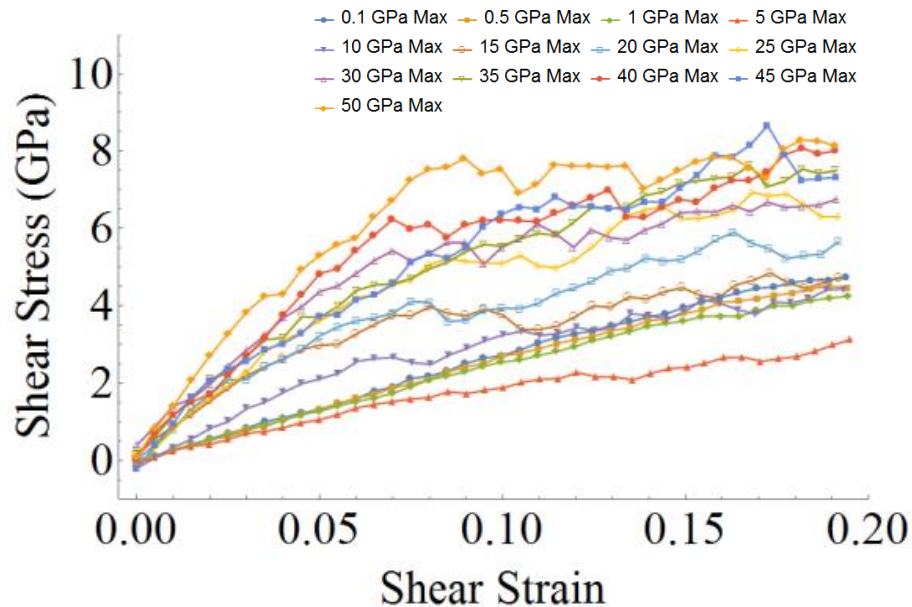
***Anomalous pressure dependence of shear modulus!***

(shear modulus initially decreases with increasing pressure)

# Pressure-shear coupling

## Simple shear of amorphous silica at constant hydrostatic pressure:

- Hydrostatic compression is performed followed by simple shear
- The pressure-dependent shear response is computed



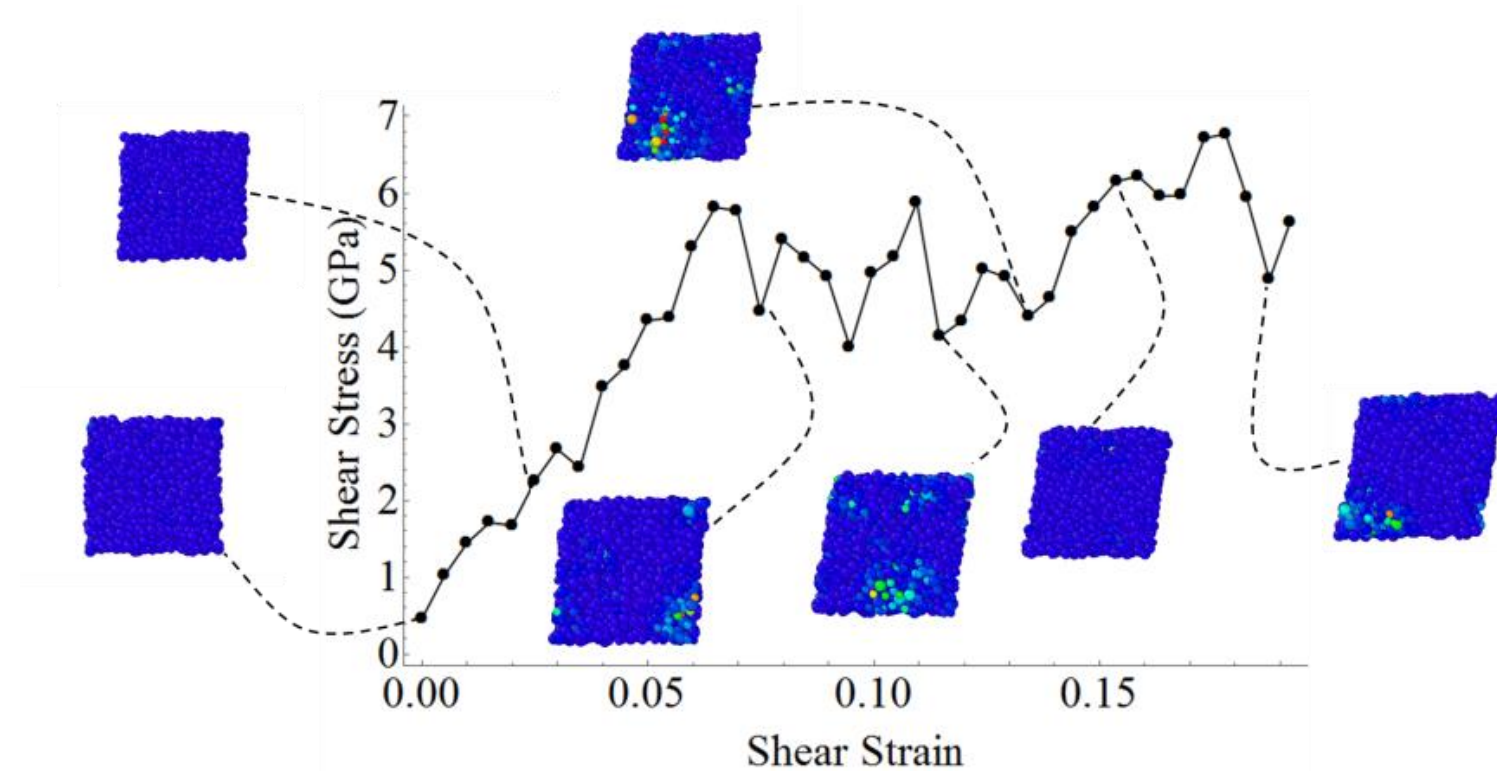
***Shear deformation is irreversible upon unloading!***  
(permanent or plastic shear deformation, pressure-dependent plasticity)



# Molecular basis of glass plasticity

## Shear Transformation Zones:

- Local microstructural rearrangements accommodate shear deformation
- Colored regions indicate large deviation from affine deformation from the previous step



***Local avalanches controlled by free-volume kinetics!***

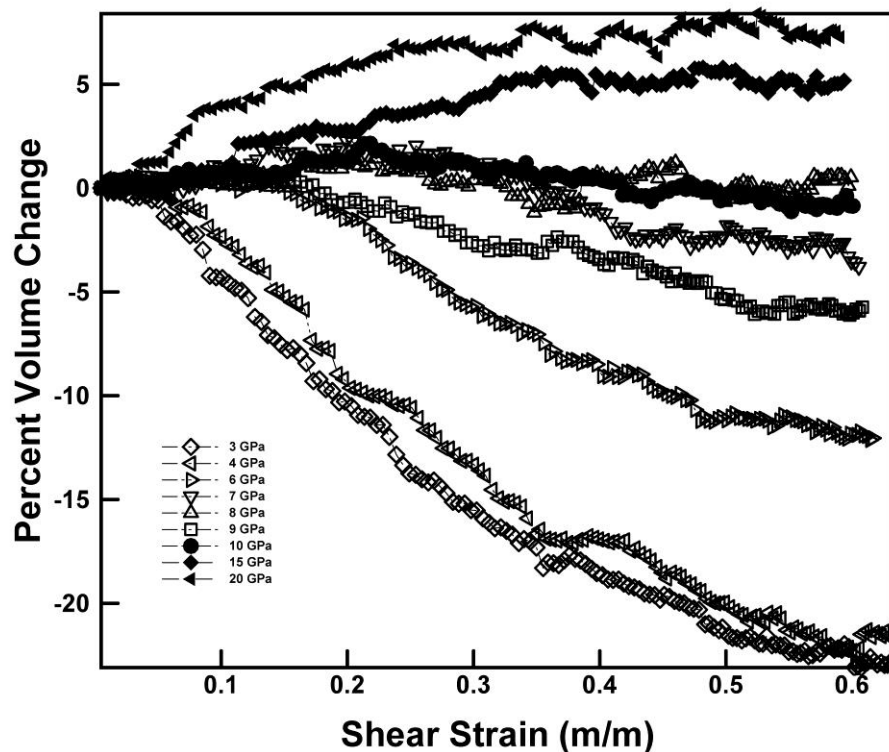
(shear deformation proceeds inhomogeneously through local bursts)



# Volume evolution

## Volume vs. shear and degree of pre-consolidation:

- Volume attains constant value after sufficient shear deformation (critical state)
- Volume decreases (increases) in under- (over-) consolidated samples



***Evidence of critical state behavior!***  
(in analogy to granular media)

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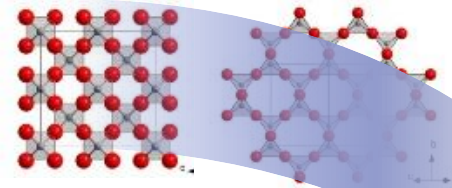
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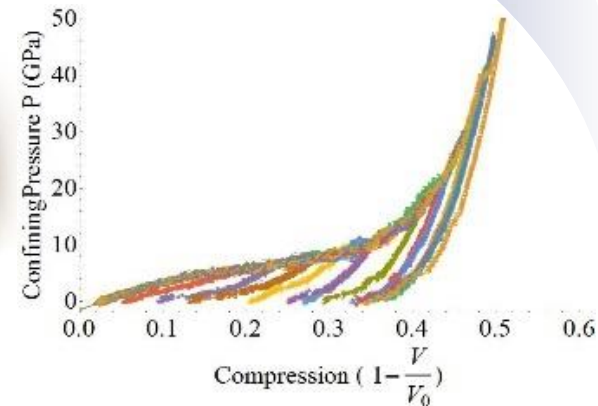
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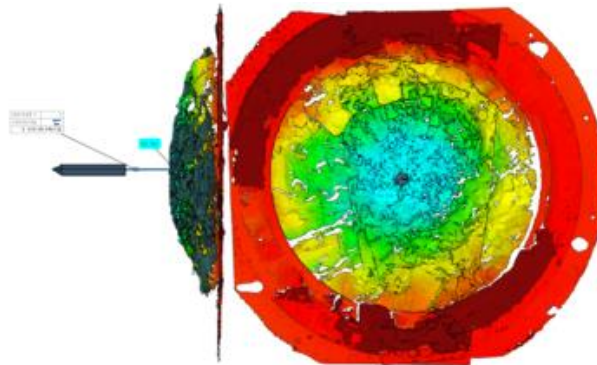
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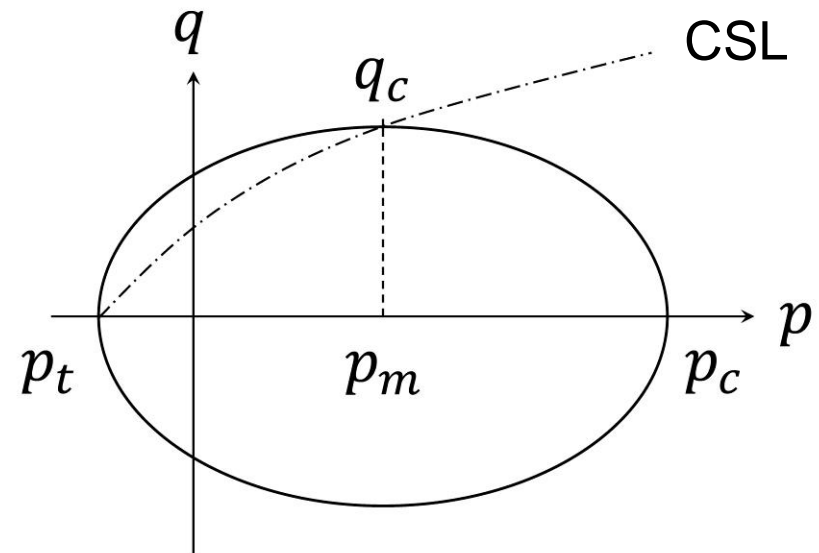
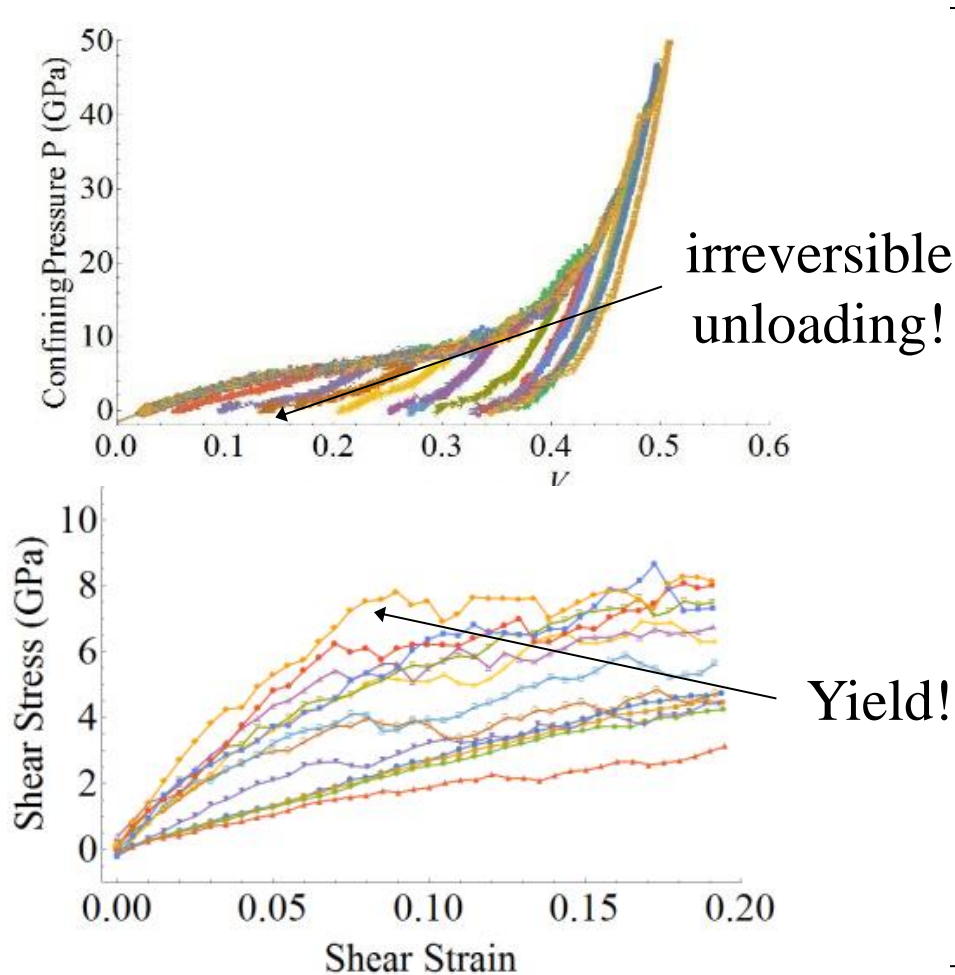


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# Critical-state plasticity model

## Modeling approach:

- Critical-state theory of plasticity (Cam-Clay)

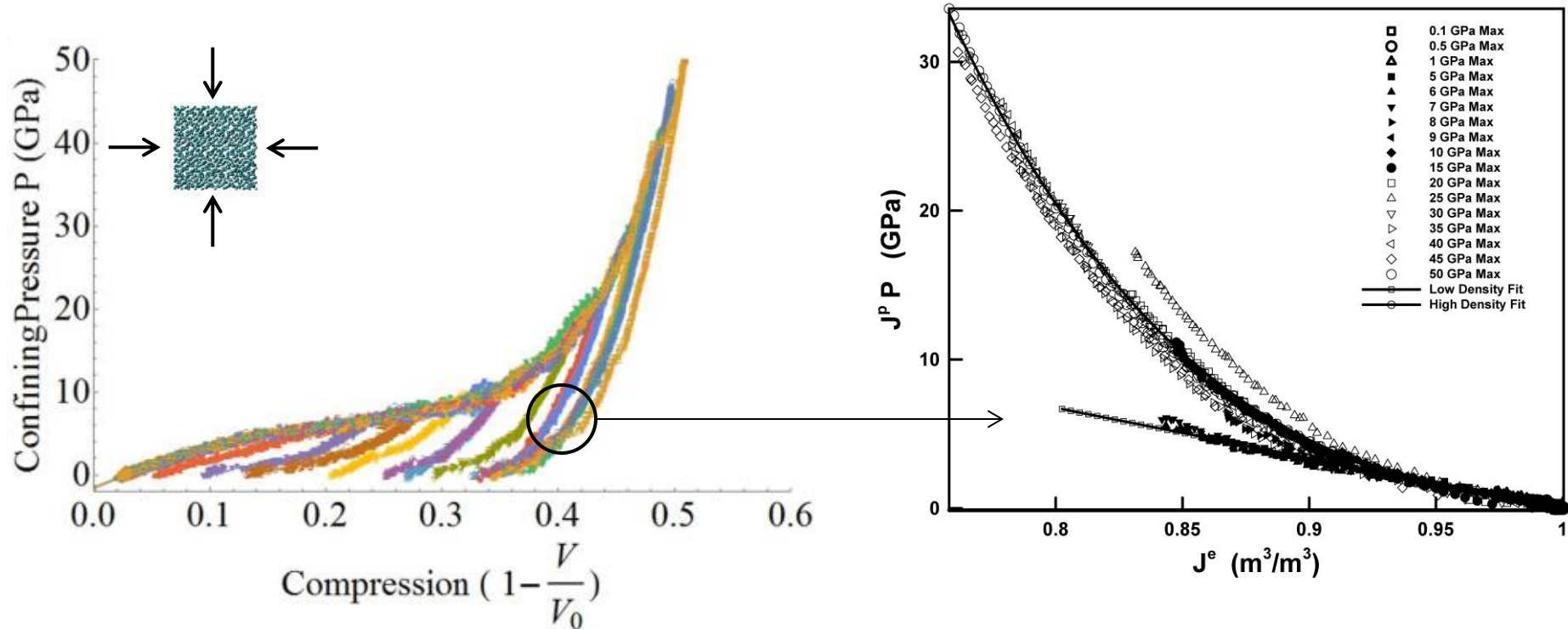


Assumed yield locus in pressure ( $p$ )  
Mises shear stress ( $q$ ) plane and  
critical-state line (CSL)

# Volumetric equation of state

## Implementation Verification:

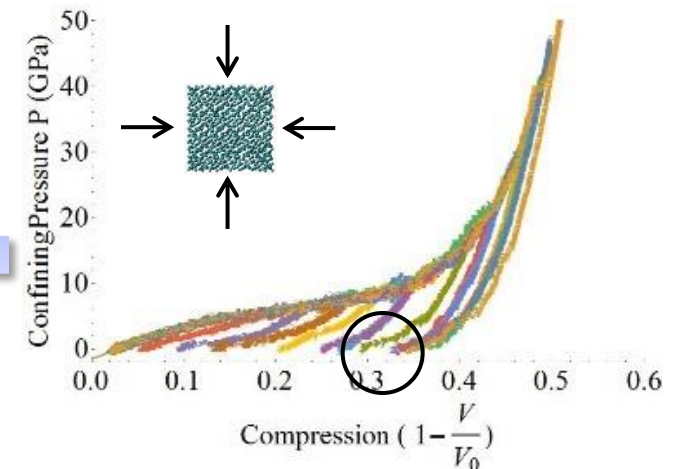
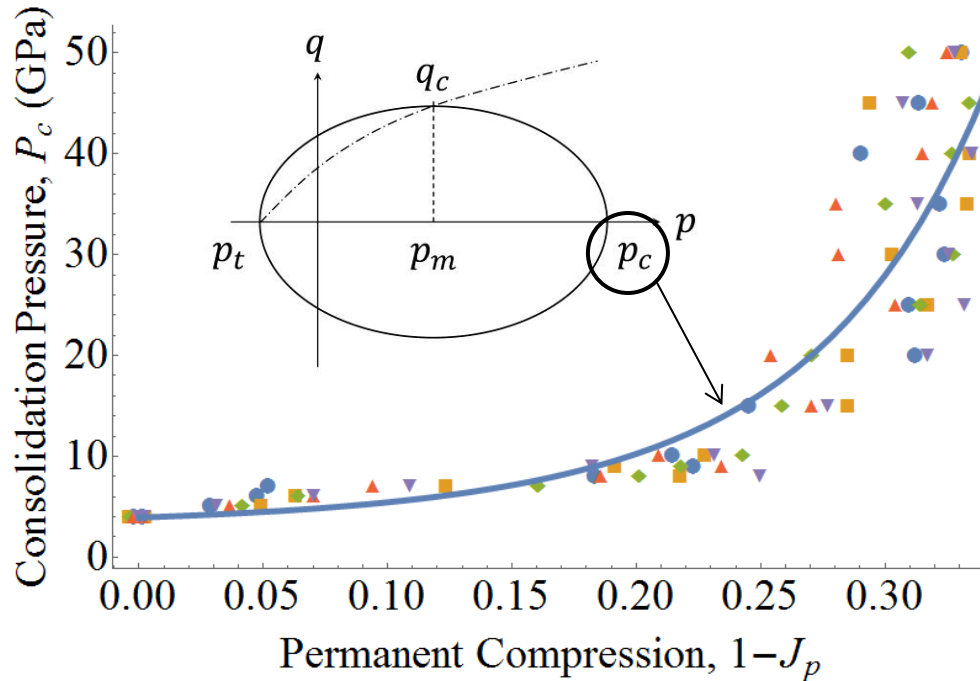
- Volumetric Compression Test Case
- Agreement with Molecular Dynamics Data is Obtained



# Critical-state plasticity model

## Densification:

- Pressure-volume response of fuse silica interpreted as consolidation curve in critical state plasticity



$$p_c = -\frac{K_b}{k_b} \left[ (J_p)^{-k_b} - 1 \right] + \Gamma$$

Table 1: Hardening Rule Parameters

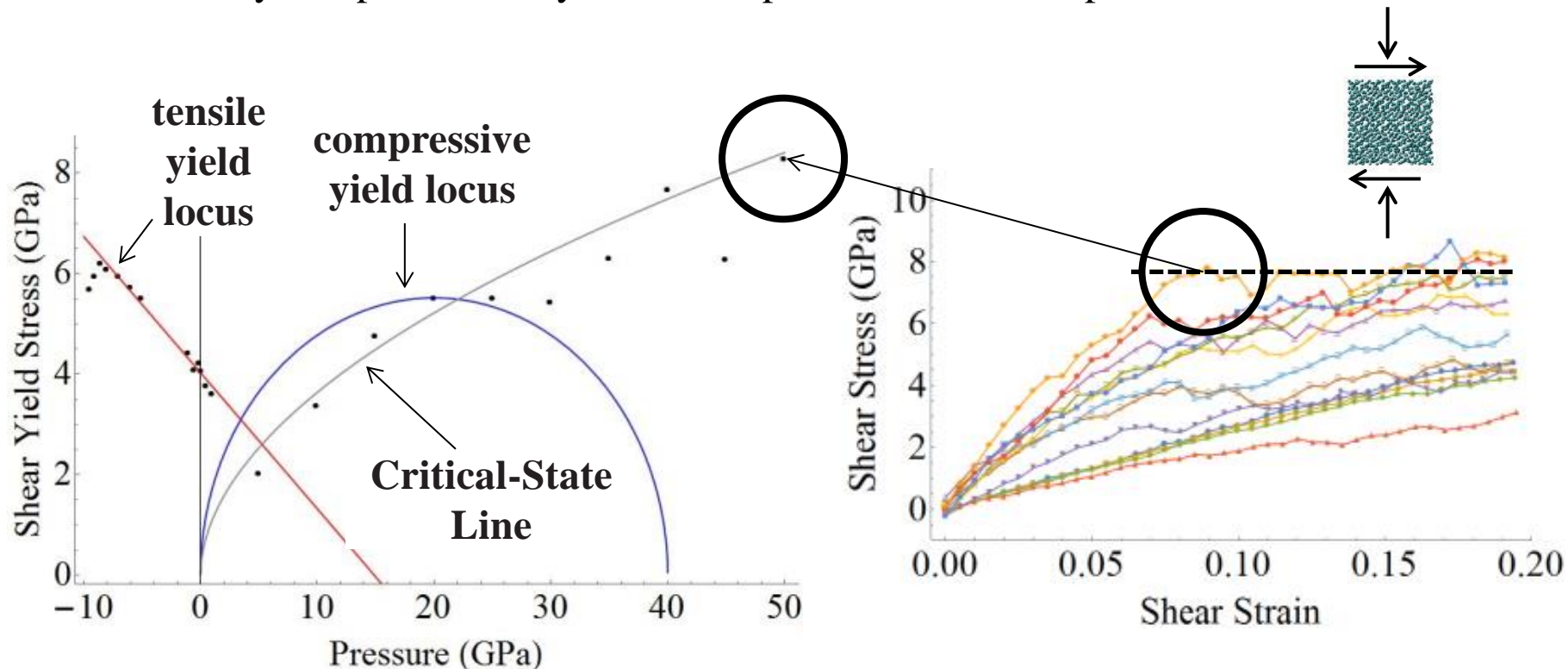
$K_B$	$k_b$	$\Gamma$
8.48613 GPa	9.2689	3.02934 GPa



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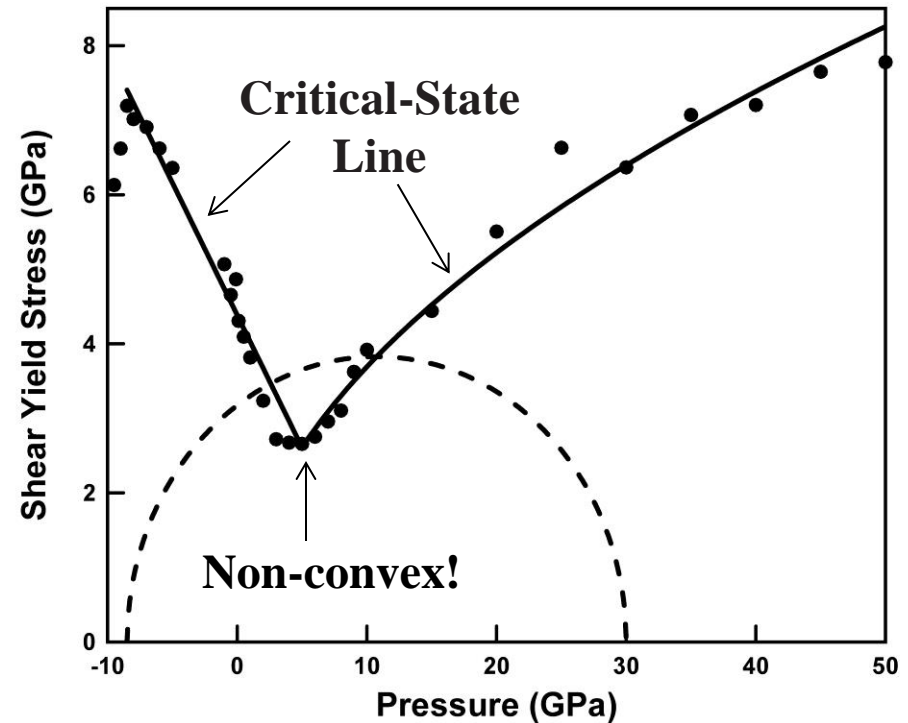
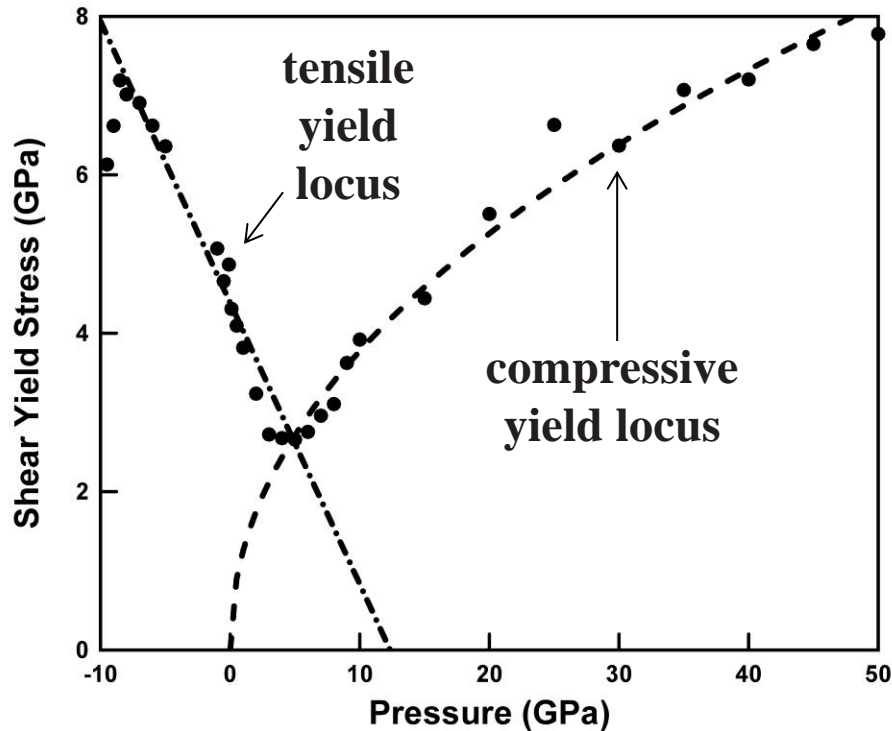
## Yield Surface:

- Identify computed shear yield stress–pressure relationship as Critical Line



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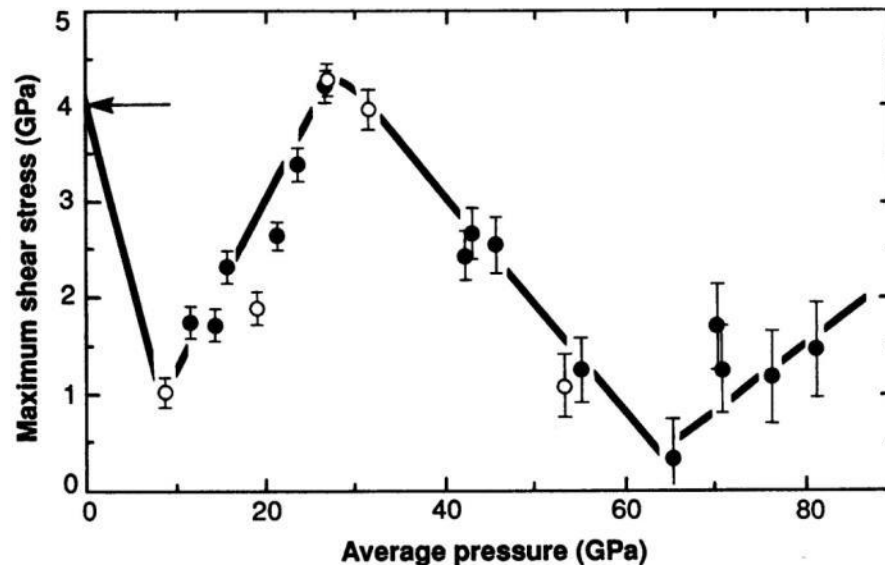
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# Anomalous plasticity of fused silica

## Effect of a Coordination Change on the Strength of Amorphous SiO<sub>2</sub>

CHARLES MEADE AND RAYMOND JEANLOZ

**Fig. 1.** Maximum shear stress in silica glass at room temperature and average pressures ( $\bar{P}$ ) between 8.6 and 81 GPa. Each point corresponds to a separate sample, and the heavy line shows the general trend of the data. The shear stress is determined from Eq. 1, and it is a measure of the yield strength of the sample at high pressures. The error bars represent the combined uncertainties from the measurements of  $h$  and  $\partial P/\partial r$ . The open circles show the strength of samples that were initially compressed to 50 GPa, unloaded, and then recompressed. The arrow marks the zero pressure strength of silica glass (19).



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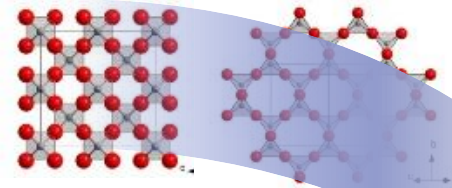
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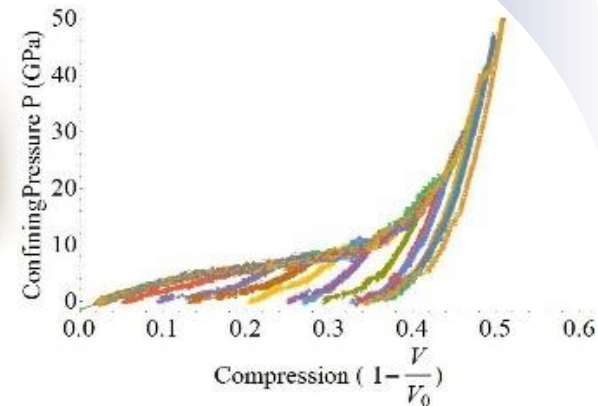
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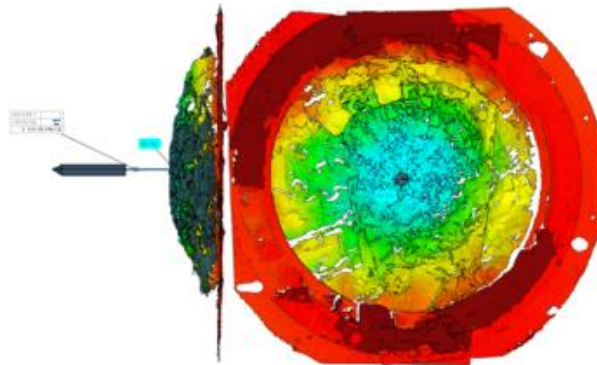
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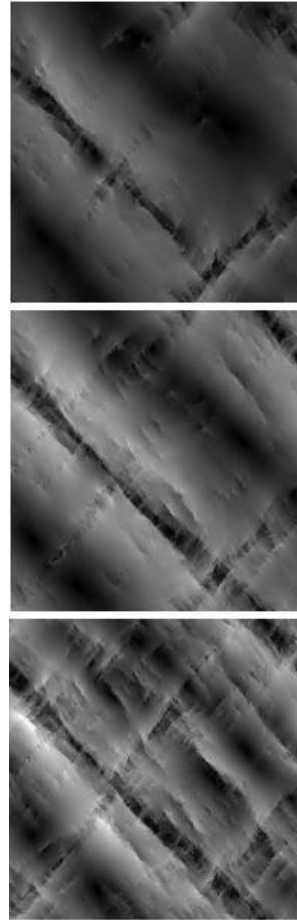
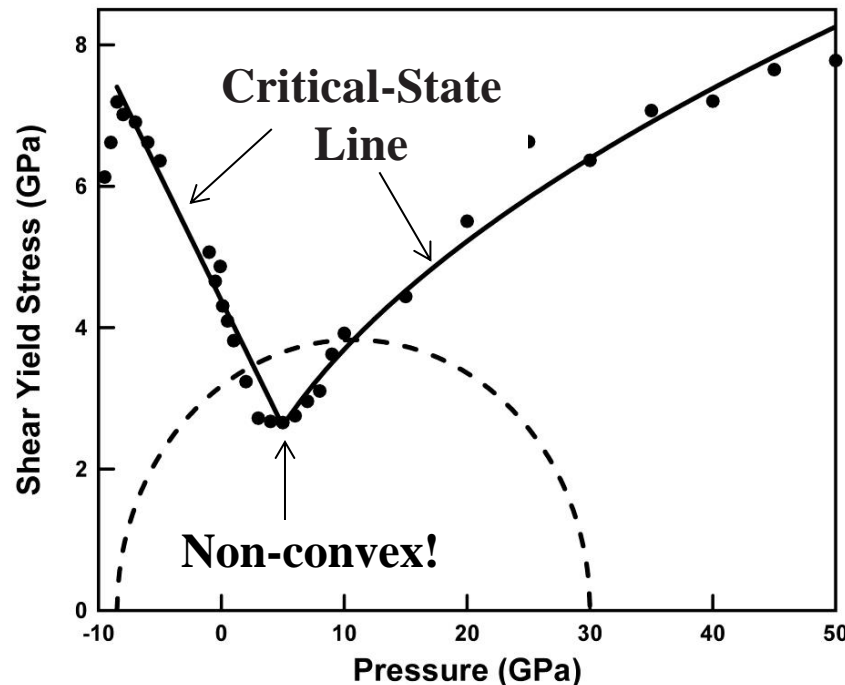


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# Non-convex limit analysis – Relaxation

## Relaxation:

- Strong non-convexity (material instability) is exploited by the material to maximize dissipation (**relaxation**, per calculus of variations)
- Relaxation occurs through the formation of fine **microstructure**<sup>1</sup> (finely patterned stress and deformation fields at the microscale) →



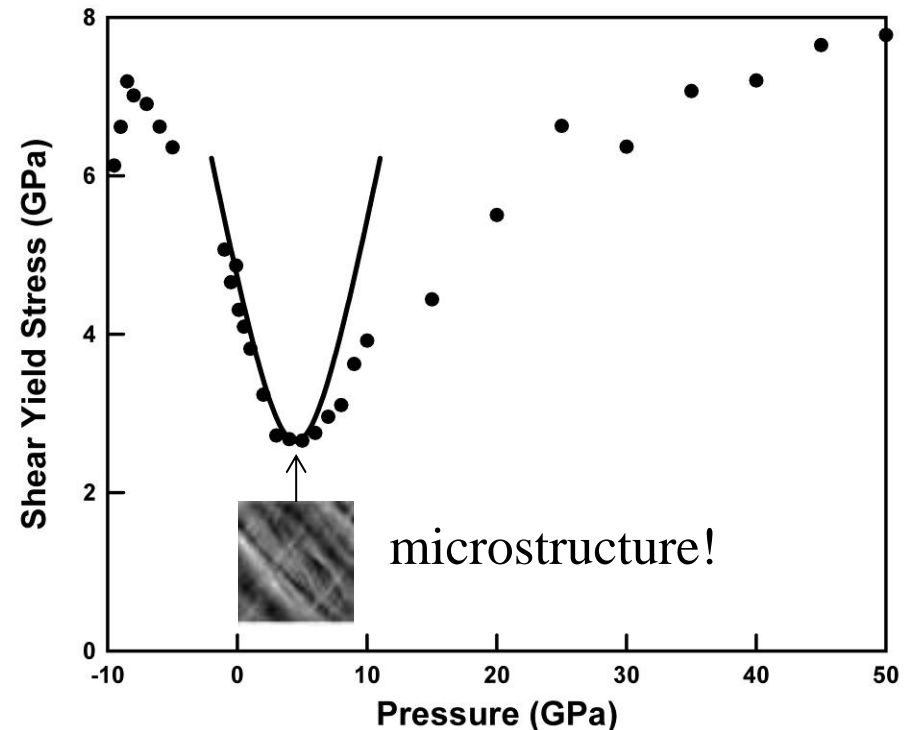
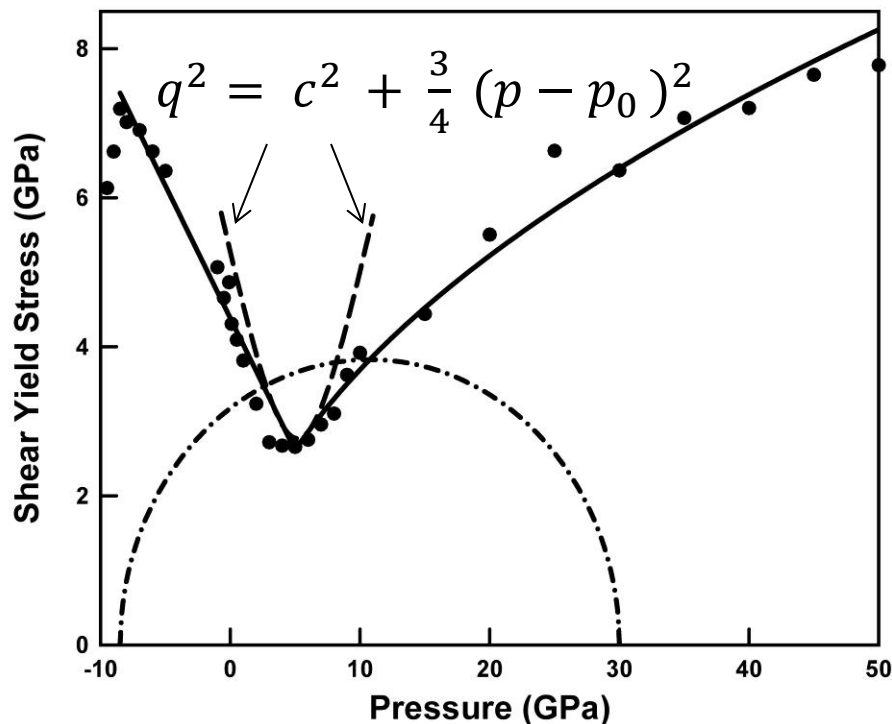
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# Non-convex limit analysis – Relaxation

## Div-quasiconvex envelop of glass elastic domain:

- **Theorem** (Tartar'85). The function  $f(\sigma) = 2|\sigma|^2 - \text{tr}(\sigma)^2$  is div-quasiconvex.
- **Theorem**. The set  $\{\sigma : q^2 \leq c^2 + \frac{3}{4}(p - p_0)^2\}$  is div-quasiconvex.
- **Theorem** (CMO'17) The div-quasiconvex envelop of  $K$  is:



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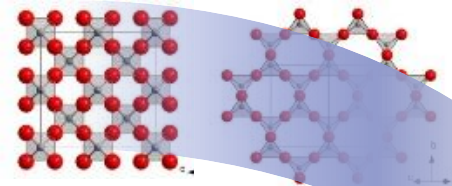
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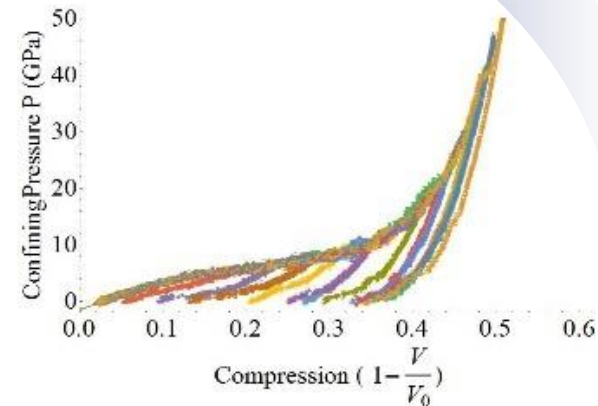
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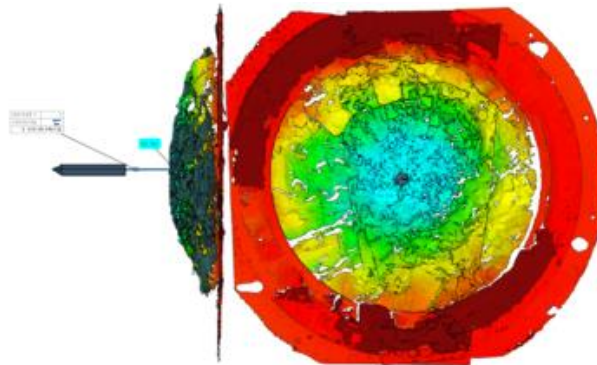
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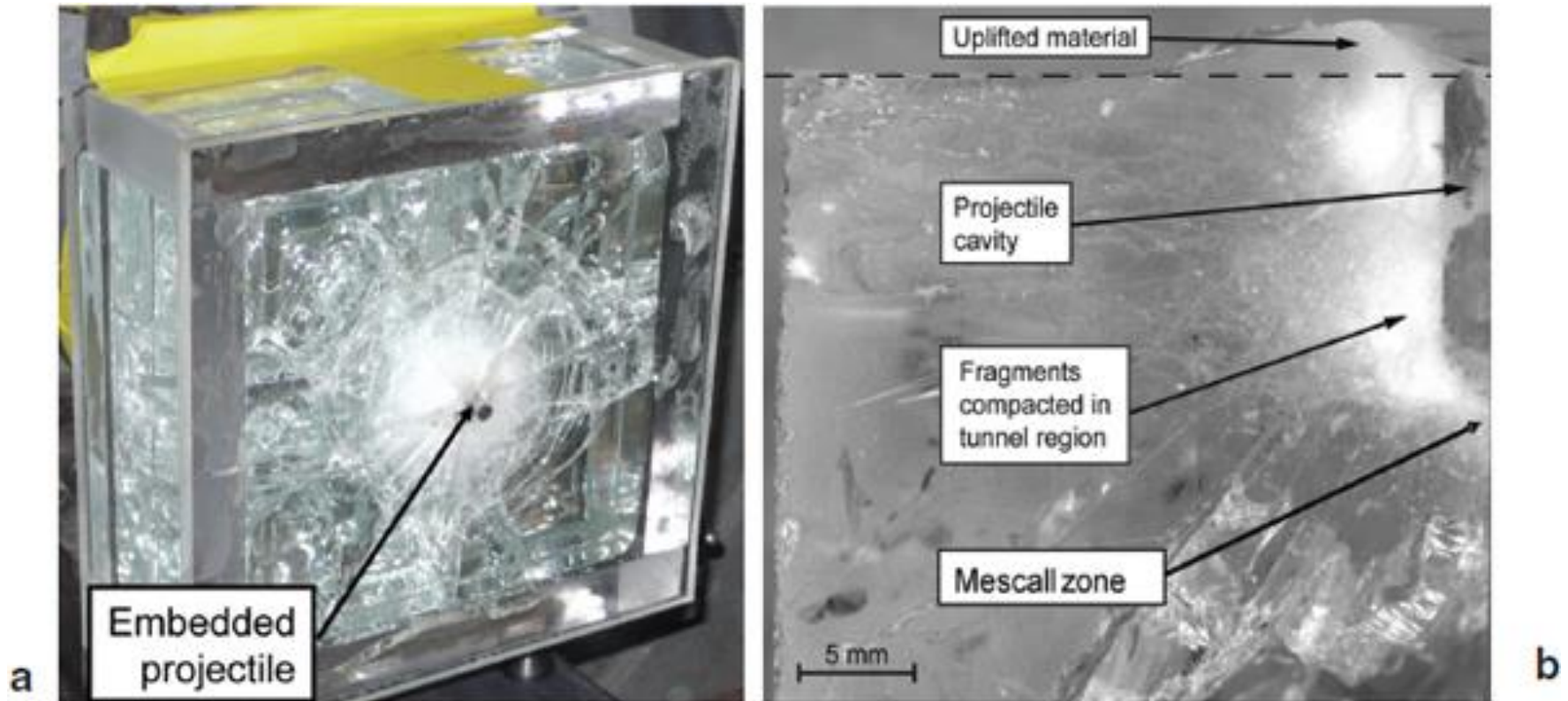


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# Solvers: Fracture and fragmentation

- Solver requirements:
  - *Capable of handling geometrical and topological complexity in the crack set and its evolution*
  - *Agnostic as regards material behavior, i.e., they must apply equally well regardless of whether the material:*
    - *Is elastic or inelastic (e.g., plastic, viscoelastic...)*
    - *Undergoes small or large deformations*
    - *Deforms quasistatically or dynamically*
  - *Defined in terms of material constants measurable by means of standard fracture tests (e.g., ASTM standards)*
  - *Provably convergent, including crack set, with respect to mesh and time-step refinement (verification)*
  - *Predictive of crack initiation and growth under relevant conditions of loading, temp., environment (validation)*



# Solvers: Particle + erosion methods



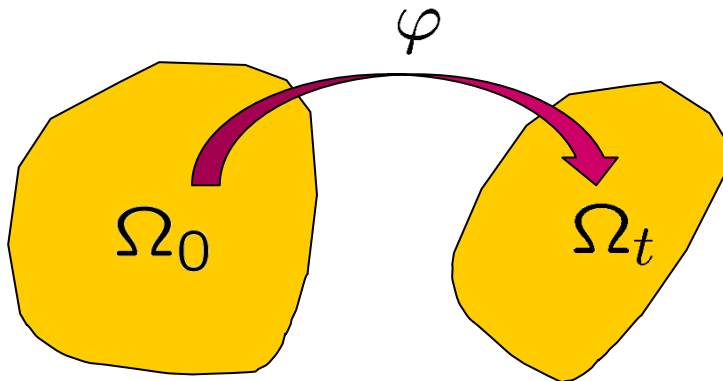
Particle methods in engineering = Transport of measures in mathematics

# Optimal transportation problems

- Mass + linear-momentum transport (Eulerian):

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) = 0, & \text{in } [0, T] \times \Omega_t, \\ \partial_t(\rho v) + \nabla \cdot (\rho v \otimes v) = \nabla \cdot \sigma, & \text{in } [0, T] \times \Omega_t, \\ \sigma = \sigma(\text{deformation history}), & \text{in } [0, T] \times \Omega_t. \end{array} \right.$$

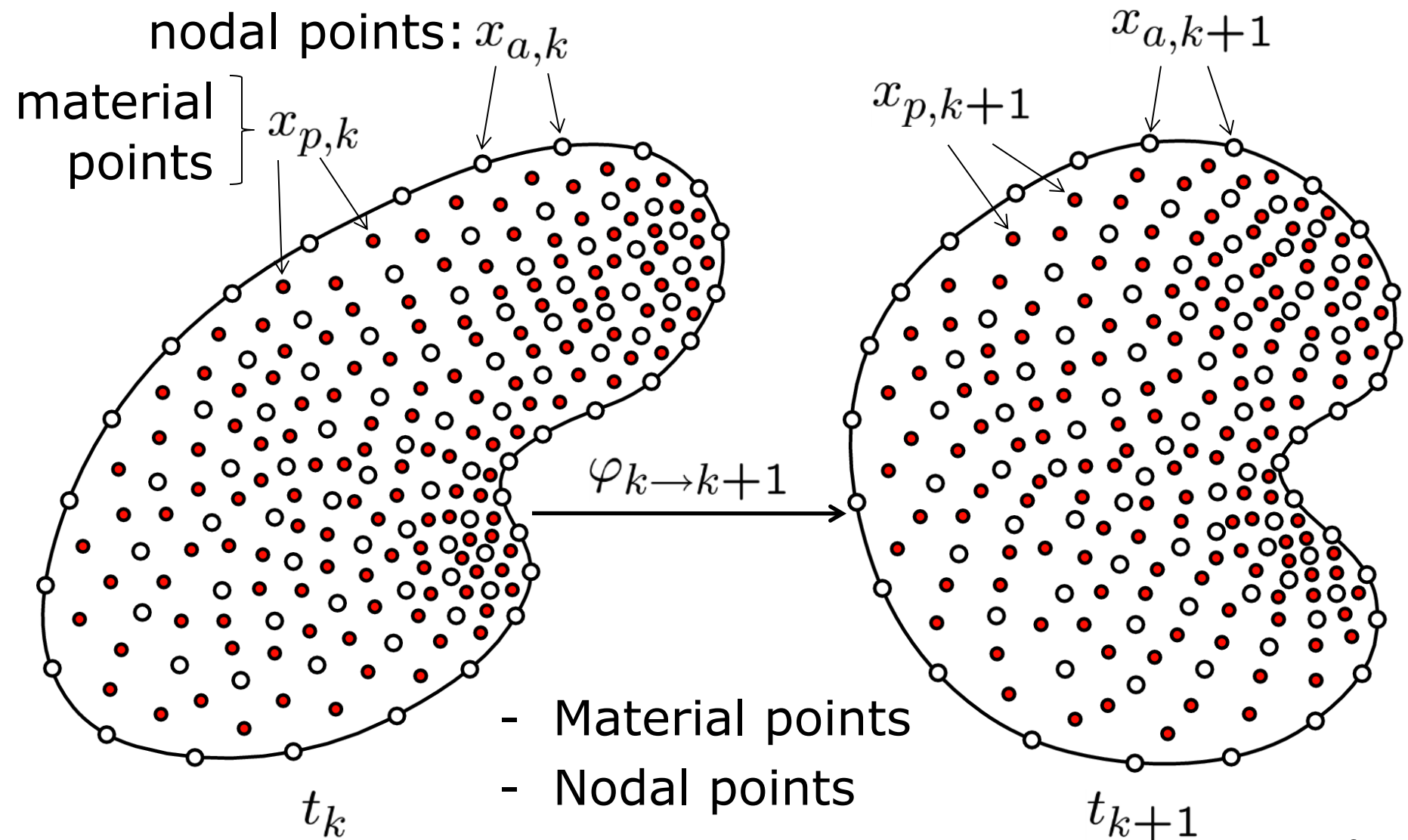
- Lagrangian reformulation:



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t \varphi = v \circ \varphi, \\ \rho \circ \varphi = \rho_0 / \det(\nabla \varphi). \end{array} \right.$$

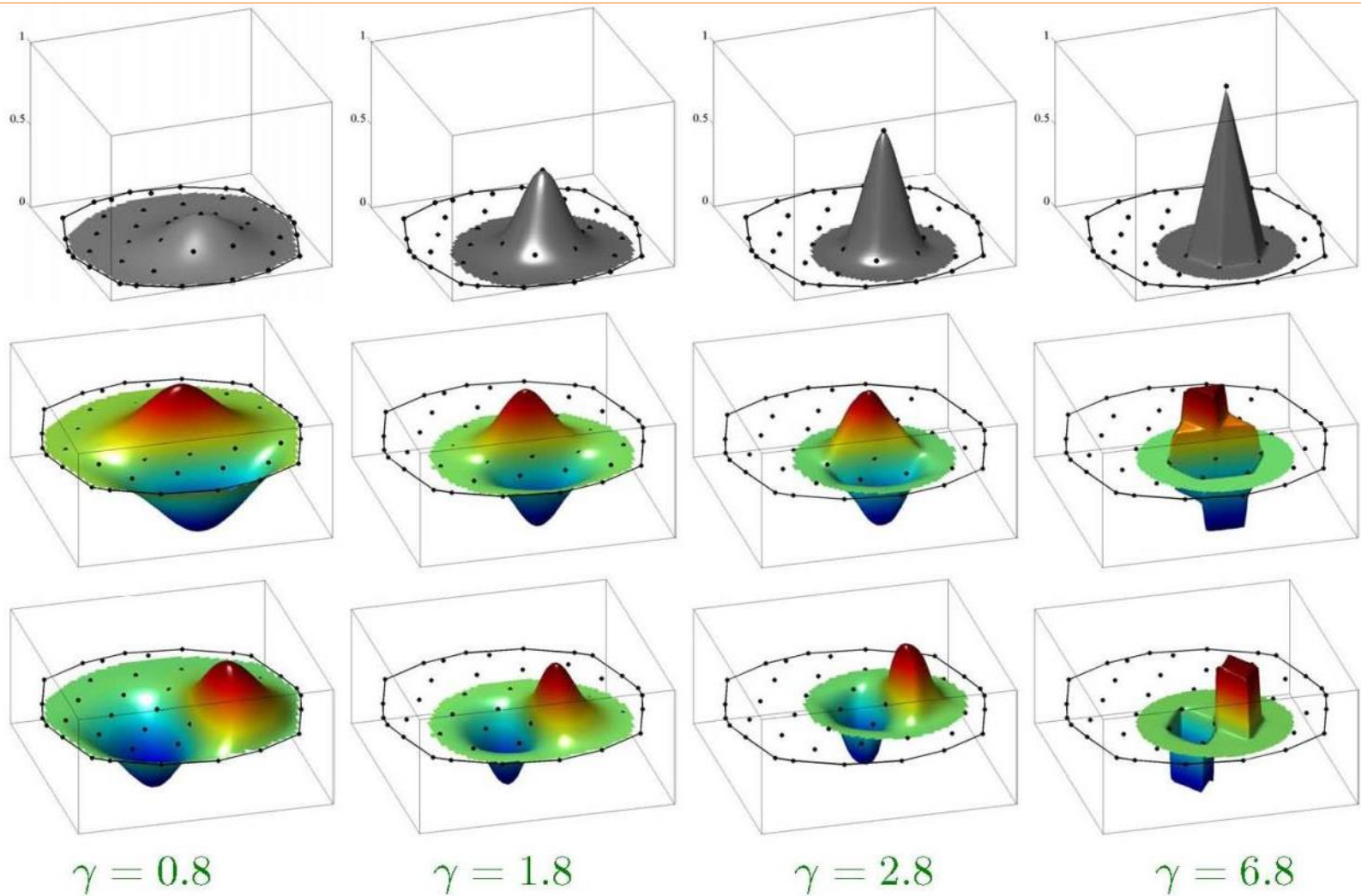
***Geometrically exact!***

# Optimal Transportation Meshfree (OTM)



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# Max-ent interpolation



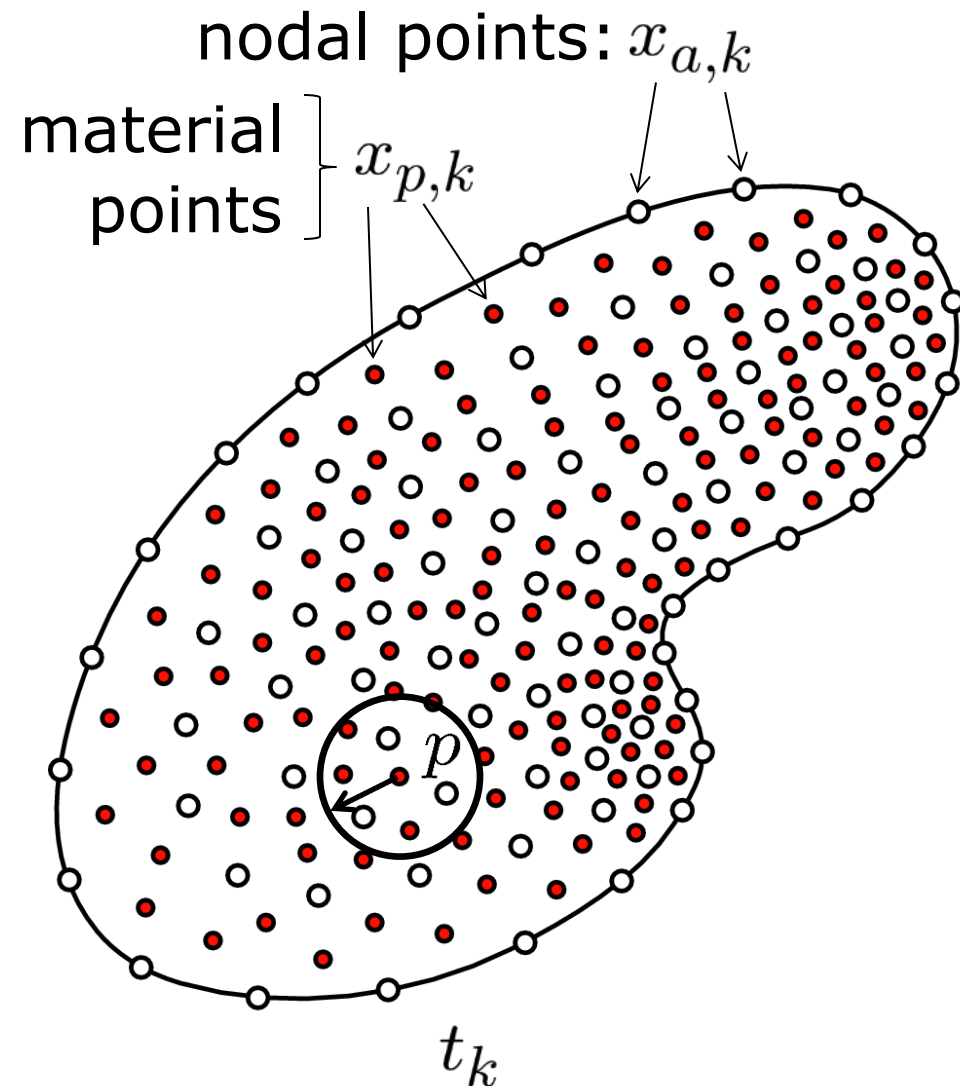
Max-ent shape functions,  $\gamma = \beta h^2$

Arroyo, M. and Ortiz, M., *IJNME*, **65** (2006) 2167.

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# OTM Solver — Spatial discretization



- Max-ent interpolation at node  $p$  determined by nodes in its local environment
- Local environments determined 'on-the-fly' by range searches
- Local environments evolve continuously during flow (dynamic reconnection)
- Dynamic reconnection requires no remapping of history variables!

# OTM Solver — Flow chart

(i) Explicit nodal coordinate update:

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + (t_{k+1} - t_k) \left( v_k + \frac{t_{k+1} - t_{k-1}}{2} M_k^{-1} f_k \right)$$

(ii) Material point update:

position:  $x_{p,k+1} = \varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1}(x_{p,k})$

deformation:  $F_{p,k+1} = \nabla \varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1}(x_{p,k}) F_{p,k}$

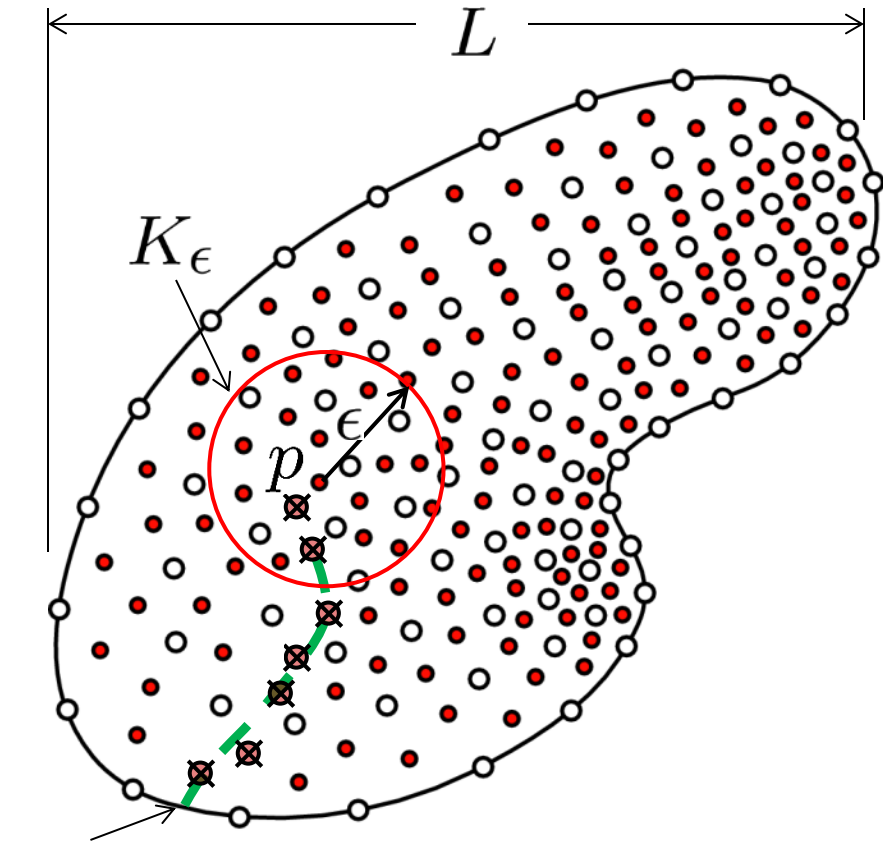
volume:  $V_{p,k+1} = \det \nabla \varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1}(x_{p,k}) V_{p,k}$

density:  $\rho_{p,k+1} = m_p / V_{p,k+1}$

(iii) Constitutive update at material points

(iv) Reconnect nodal and material points (range searches), recompute max-ext shape functions


# Fracture Solver – Material-point erosion



crack      ✕ Failed material pts

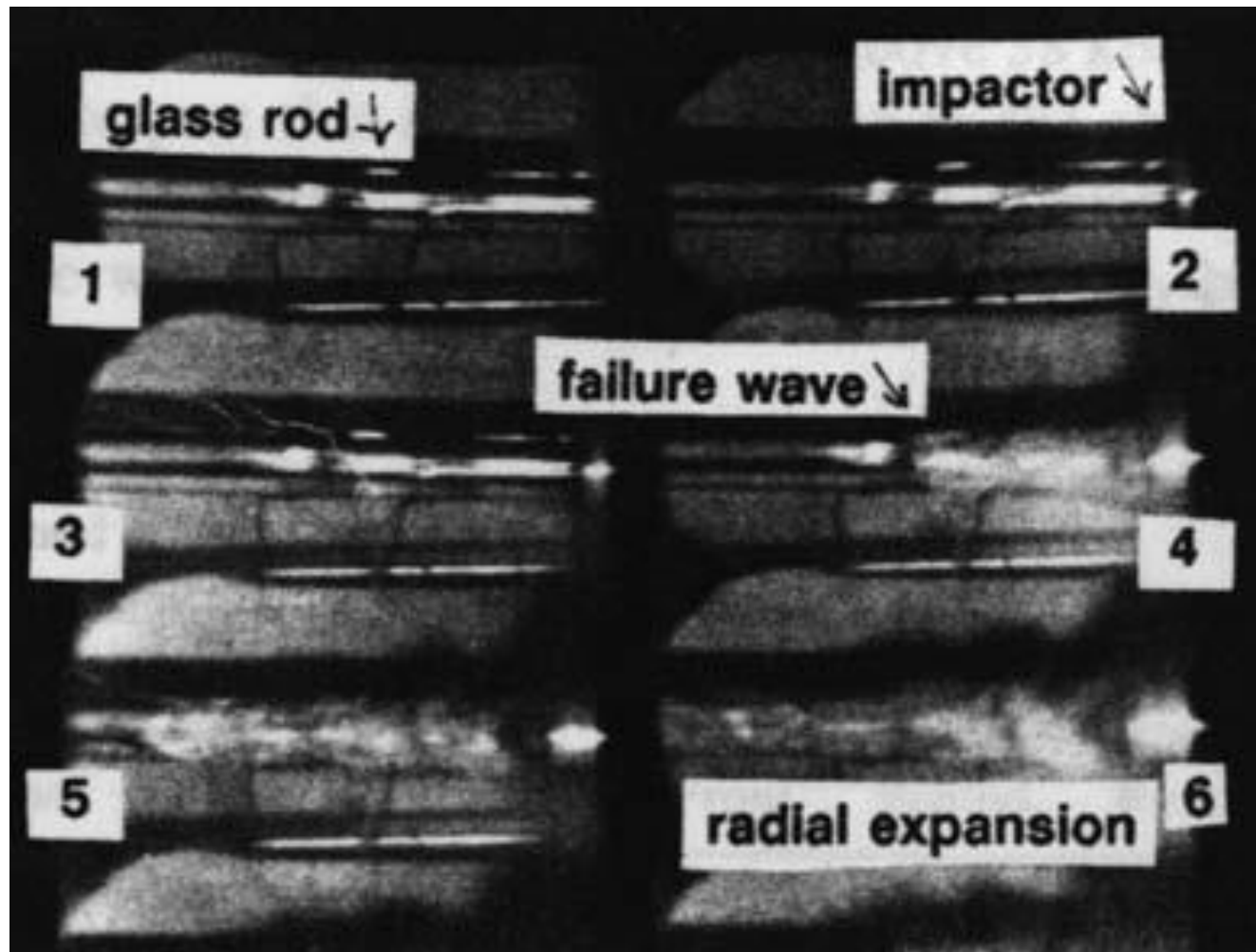
Schematic of  
 $\epsilon$ -neighborhood  
construction

- $\epsilon$ -neighborhood construction:  
Choose  $h \ll \epsilon \ll L$
- Erode material point  $p$  if

$$G_{p,h,\epsilon} \sim \frac{E_p h \epsilon}{|K_\epsilon|} \geq G_c$$


- Proof of convergence to Griffith fracture:
  - Schmidt, B., Fraternali, F. & MO, *SIAM J. Multiscale Model. Simul.*, **7**(3):1237-1366, 2009.

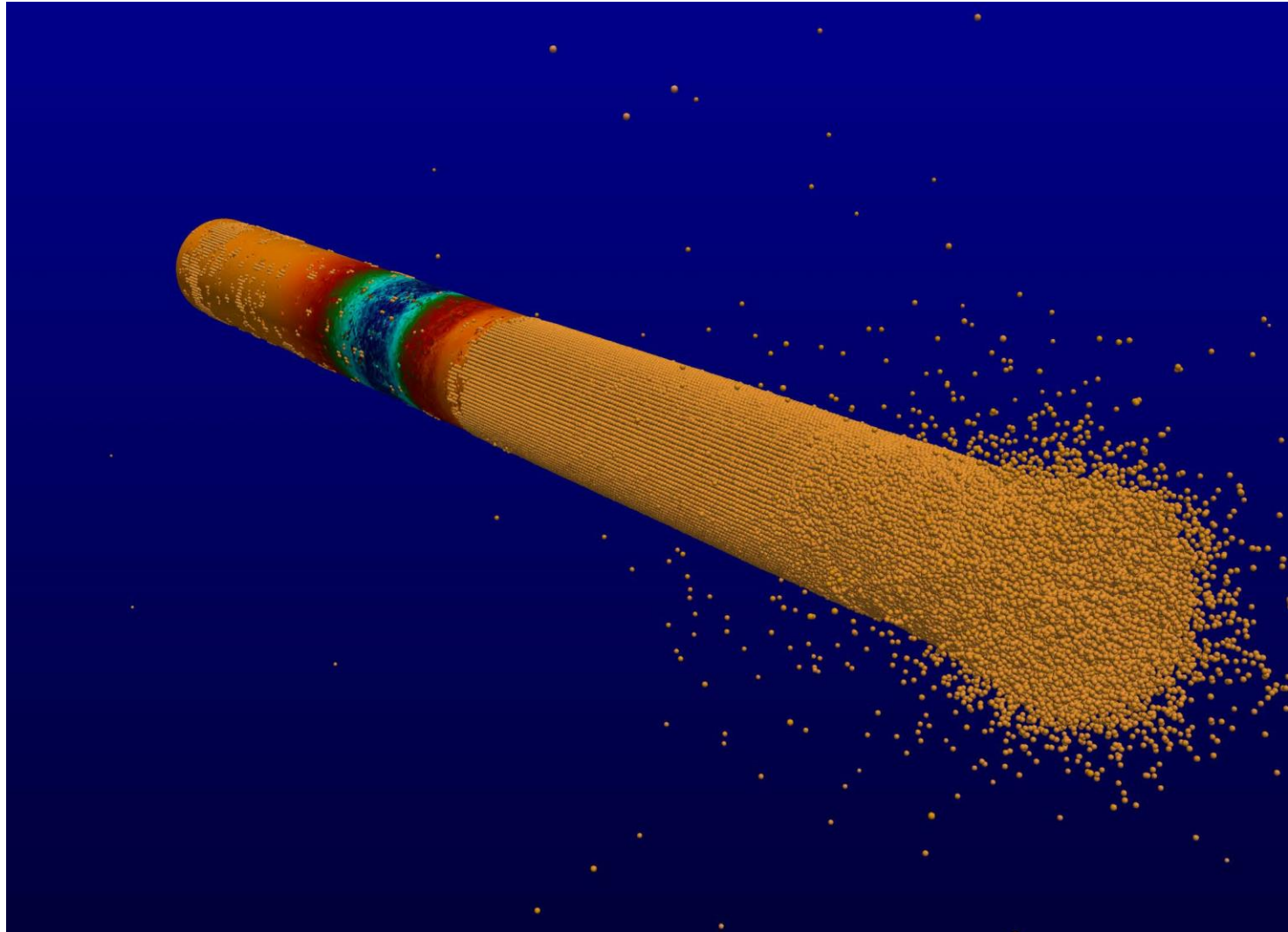
# Application: Failure waves in glass rods



Failure wave in pyrex rod at 210 m/s.



# OTM Solver – Failure wave in glass rod



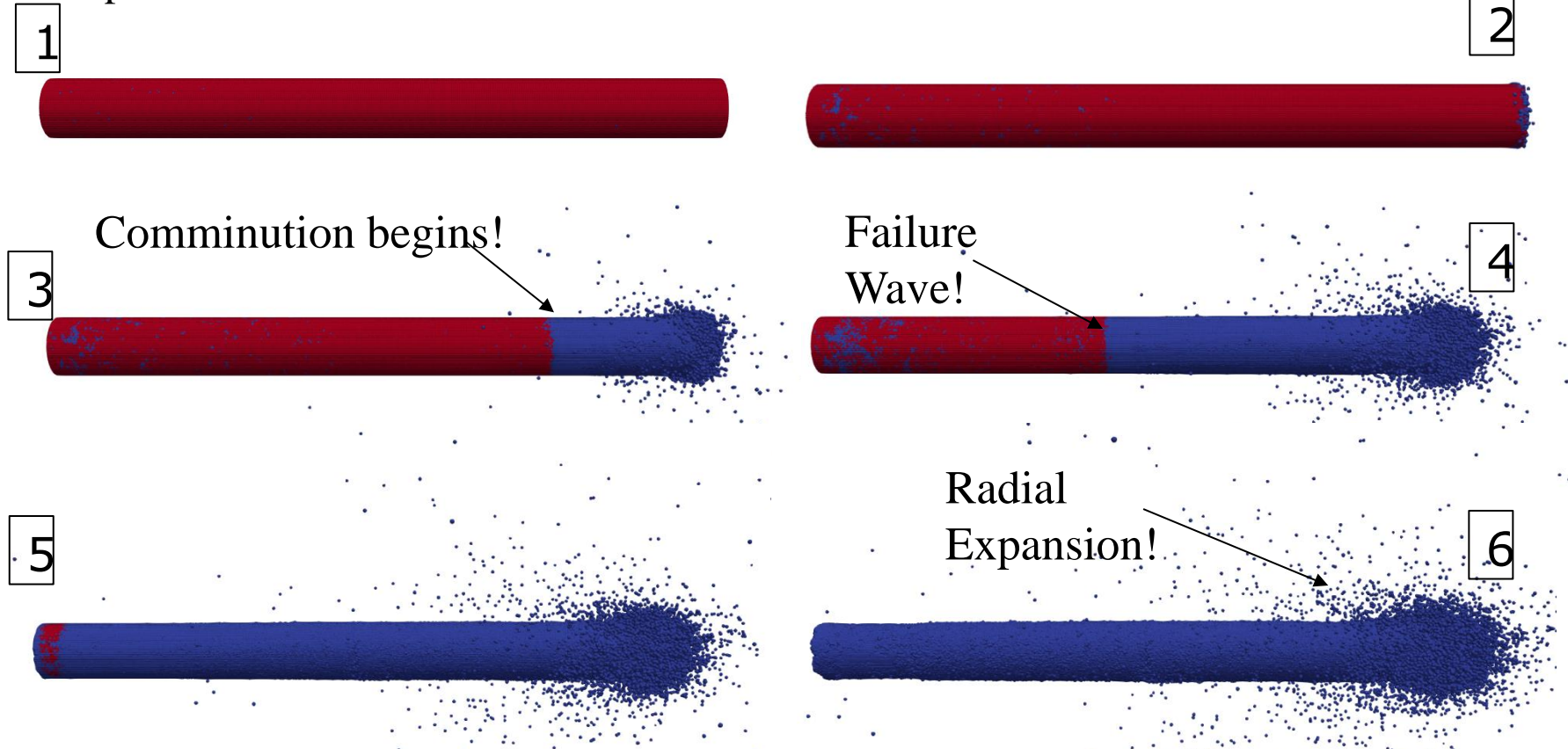
**Problem Parameters:**  $V = 210$  m/s; Length, 150 mm, Diameter, 12.7 mm

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# OTM Solver – Failure wave in glass rod

## Comparison to Experiment:

- After impact, the failure wave propagates in close agreement with experiment

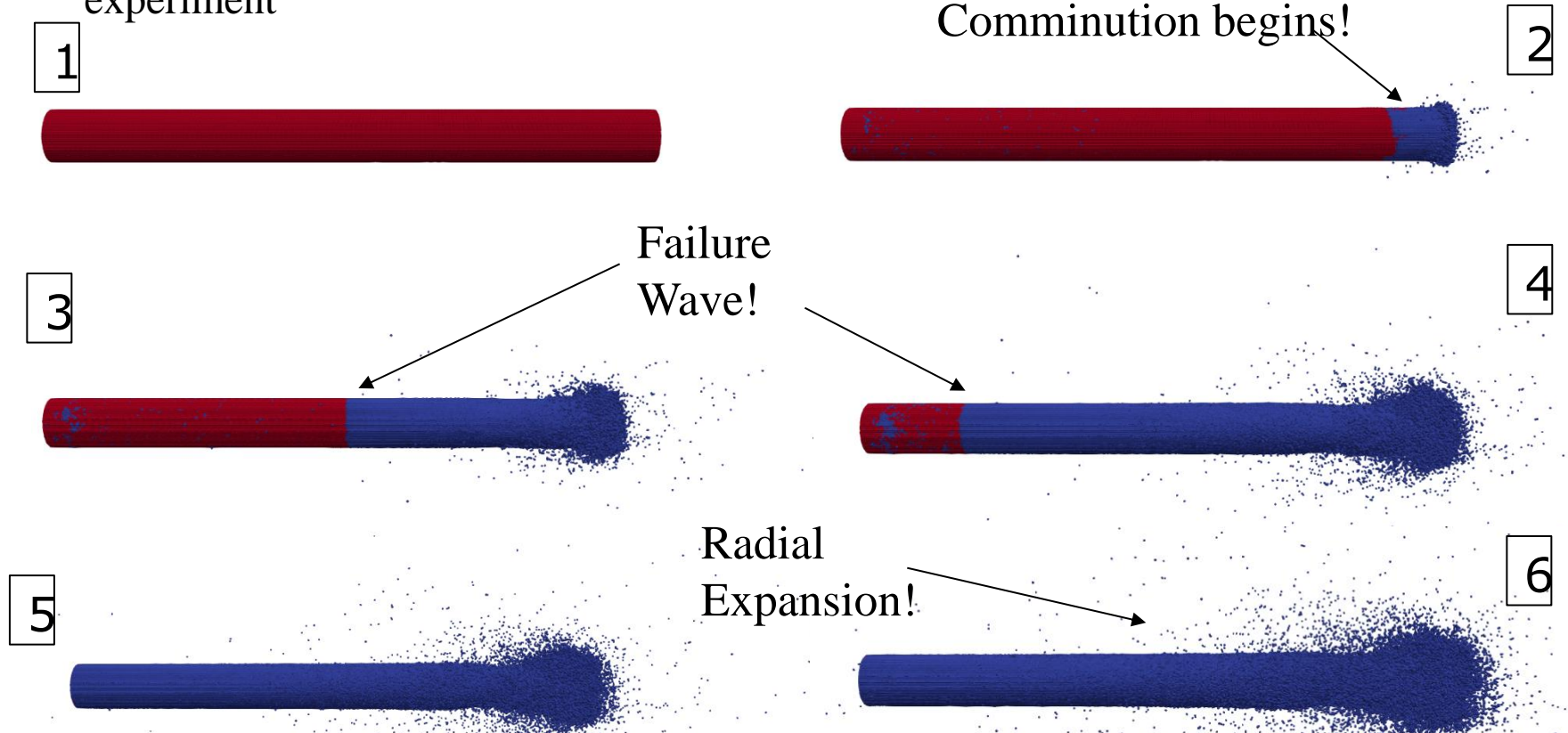


- $V_{\text{failure}}(\text{sim}) = 4.7 \text{ mm}/\mu\text{s}$
  - $V_{\text{failure}}(\text{exp}) = 4.5 \text{ mm}/\mu\text{s}$
- } Close Agreement!

# OTM Solver – Failure wave in glass rod

A faster impact speed:  $V = 336 \text{ m/s}$

- Again, the failure wave propagates in close agreement with experiment



- $V_{\text{failure}} (\text{sim}) = 5.4 \text{ mm}/\mu\text{s}$
  - $V_{\text{failure}} (\text{exp}) = 5.2 \text{ mm}/\mu\text{s}$
- } Close Agreement!

# Multiscale modeling approach

## Atomistic modeling of fused silica:

- Volumetric response (hysteretic)
- Pressure-dependent shear response
- Rate-sensitivity+viscosity+temperature

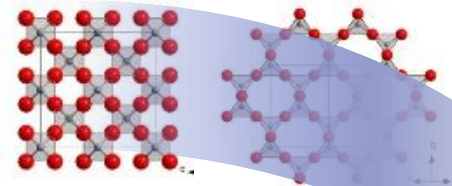
## Mesoscopic modeling:

- Critical-state plasticity

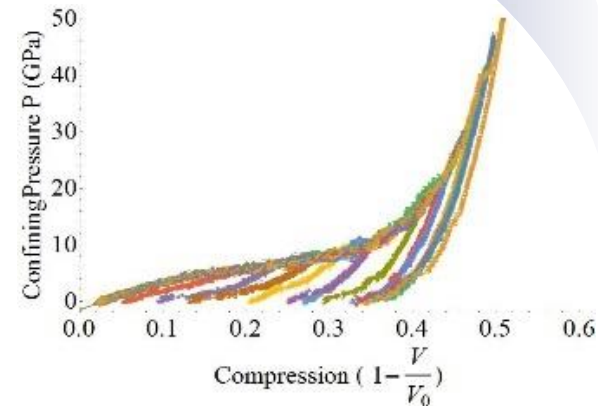
## Macroscopic modeling:

- Relaxation

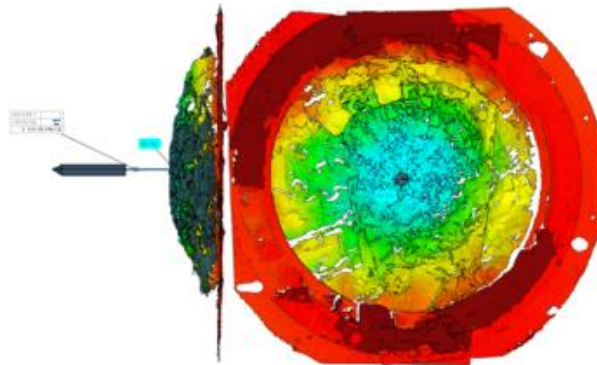
**Continuum  
Models**



**Data  
Mining**



*(OTM ballistic  
simulation of  
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**Applications**

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