

Principy nanomechanické analýzy heterogenních materiálů. Dekonvoluce a homogenizace.

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- **Introduction** and motivation
- Principles of nanomechanical analysis on heterogeneous materials. **Nanoindentation, SEM, image analysis.**
- Nanomechanical analysis of **distinct material** phases applied to **cement paste, Alkali-activated Fly ash, Gypsum**
- **Up-scaling** phase properties to upper composite level

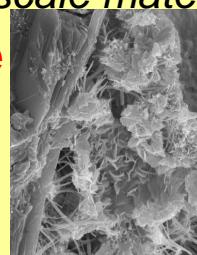
Introduction

Structural materials are characterized with

- **Heterogeneous composition** including **porosity** at different scales *nm-mm*
- **Multi-scale models** must be developed.
- Basic tasks include: **Scale separation**, finding characteristic dimensions (*number of phases, morphology, volumetric content at individual levels*) and **Mechanical characterization** at each scale.

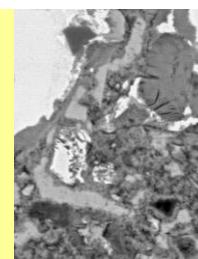
Examples of multi-scale materials

Concrete 4 levels



C-S-H gel

Level 1 (~10 nm)



Cement paste
(C-S-H, CH,
clinker, pores)

Level 2 (~100 um)



Mortar (+sand,
Pores, ITZ)

Level 3 (~10 mm)



Concrete (+aggregate,
ITZ, pores)

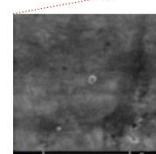


Level 4 (~100 mm)

AAFlyAsh AAMetakaoline

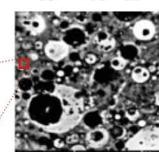
2 levels

N-A-S-H level
 $10^{-9} - 10^{-6}$ m

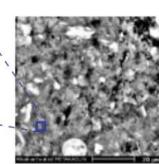


nm-um level

Paste level
 $10^{-6} - 10^{-4}$ m



Alkali-activated fly ash
(AAFA)

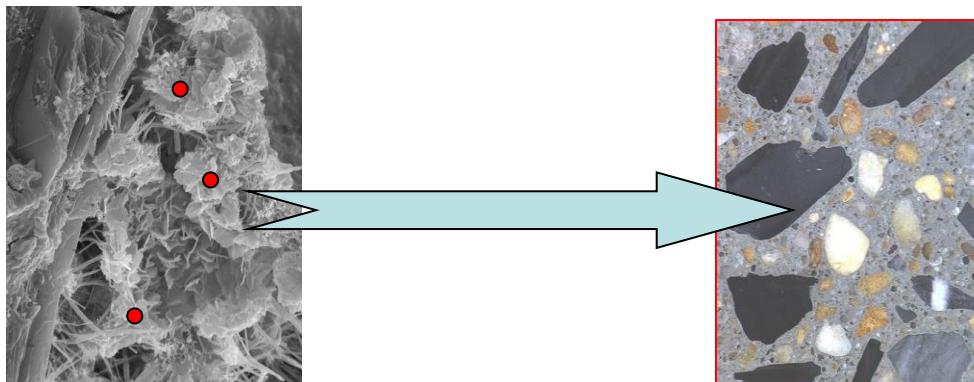


Alkali-activated metakaolin
(AAMK)

um-mm level

Bottom-up approach

- Detect and characterize **low-level** material properties.
i.e. Intrinsic (constant) properties of basic building blocks (phases)
- Use **up-scaling** to predict upper-level (**macro/full-scale**) properties knowing volume fractions of phases, microstructural configuration, phase interactions



Then, **virtual experiments** are

- possible (changing volume fraction of existing phases, adding new phases)
- less expensive and more predictive than classical macroscopic experiments (one-mixture test)

Available techniques at microscale and their resolution

Microstructural investigations

- **Optical** microscopy: basic morphometrics >>1 μm

- **SEM:**

SE detector: high resolution on morphology in 2D (100-10.000x)

BSE detector: material contrast
EDX: elemental analysis ~5 μm

- **AFM – surface** 3D topology (~1nm)

- **Micro-CT:** 3D imaging ~1um.

- **MIP** porosimetry, pores nm-um

Nanomechanical analysis

- **Nanoindentation**
spacial resolution ~1 μm

- AFM (very local ~1nm)

Practical limits:

surface roughness

- unpolished sample ~1-10 μm
- polished sample 10-100 nm

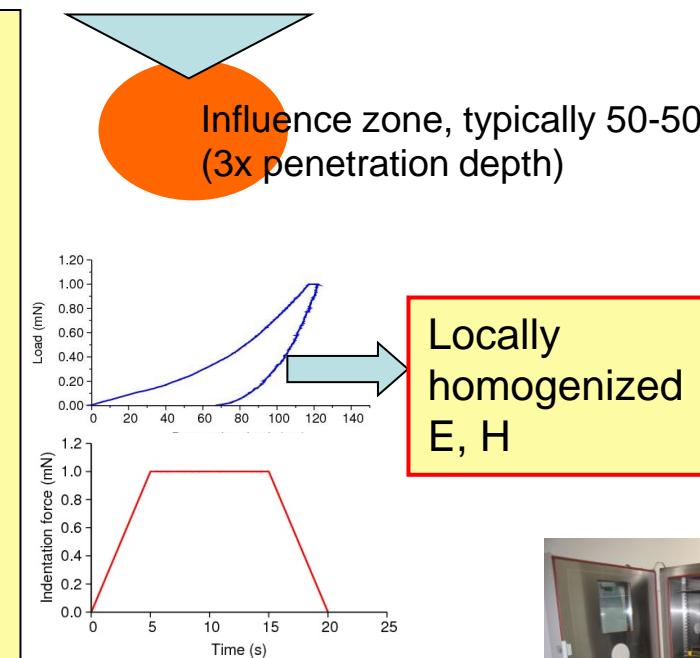
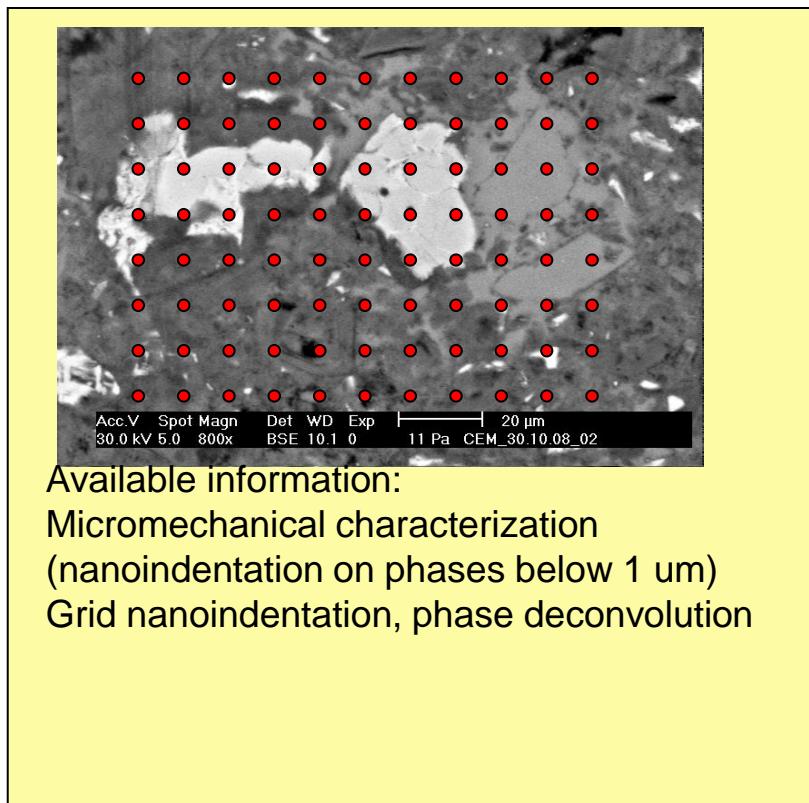
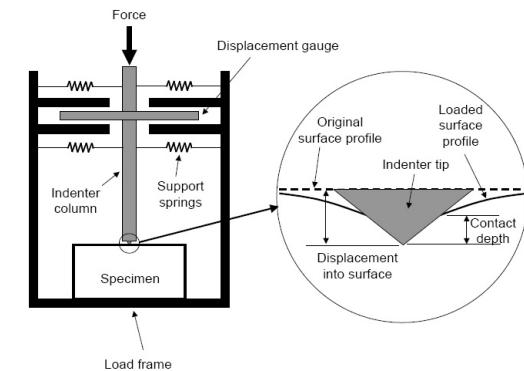
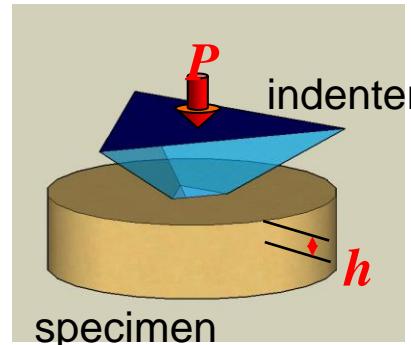
Positioning system – precision

mechanical ~1um

piezopositioning ~1nm

Nanoindentation

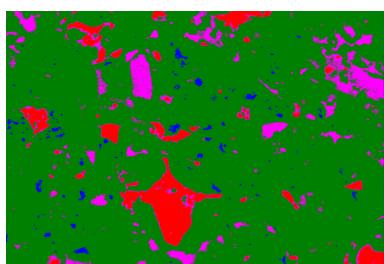
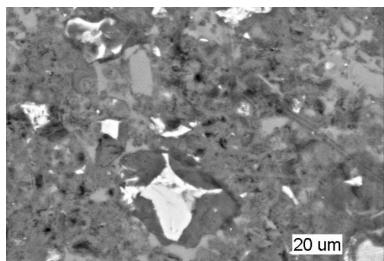
- pointwise estimates of local mechanical properties
- measurement is performed from the surface but affects volume under the indenter (practically $0.1\text{-}1 \mu\text{m}^3$)



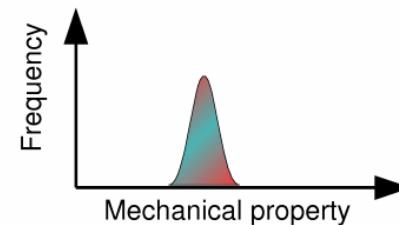
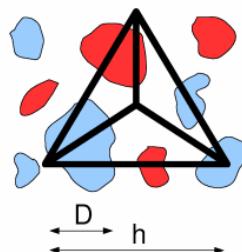
Phase deconvolution in multi-phase systems

Image analysis

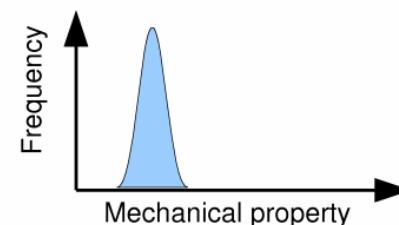
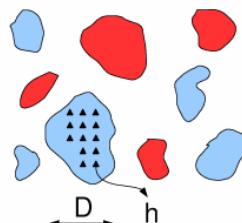
Dependent on
-image quality
-pixel luminosity
-segmentation
(thresholds/local minima/
deconvolution of histograms)



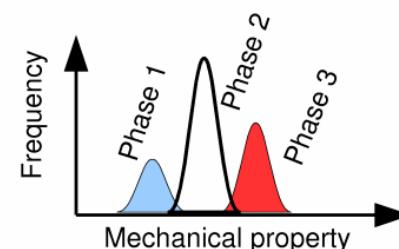
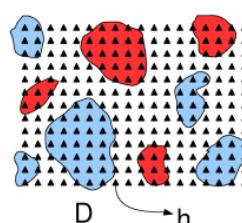
Direct phase deconvolution from mechanical tests -Nanoindentation



Averaged props.
($h \gg D$)



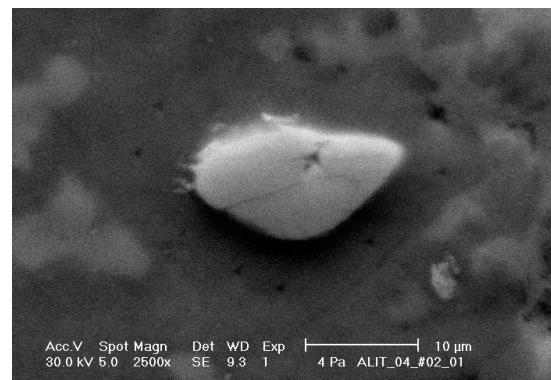
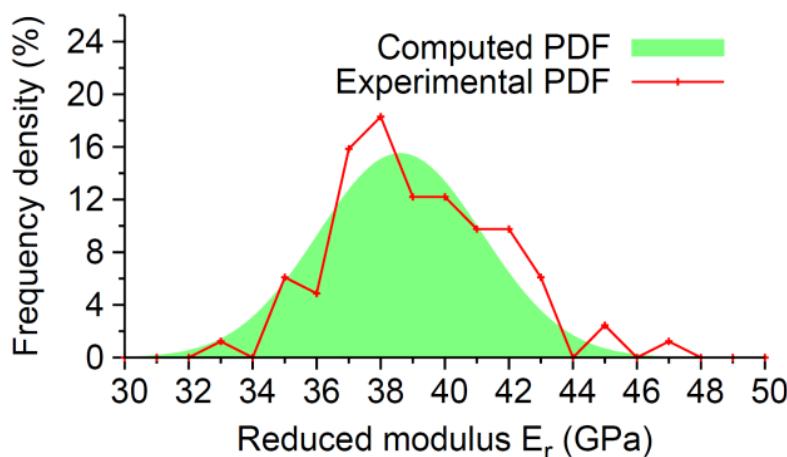
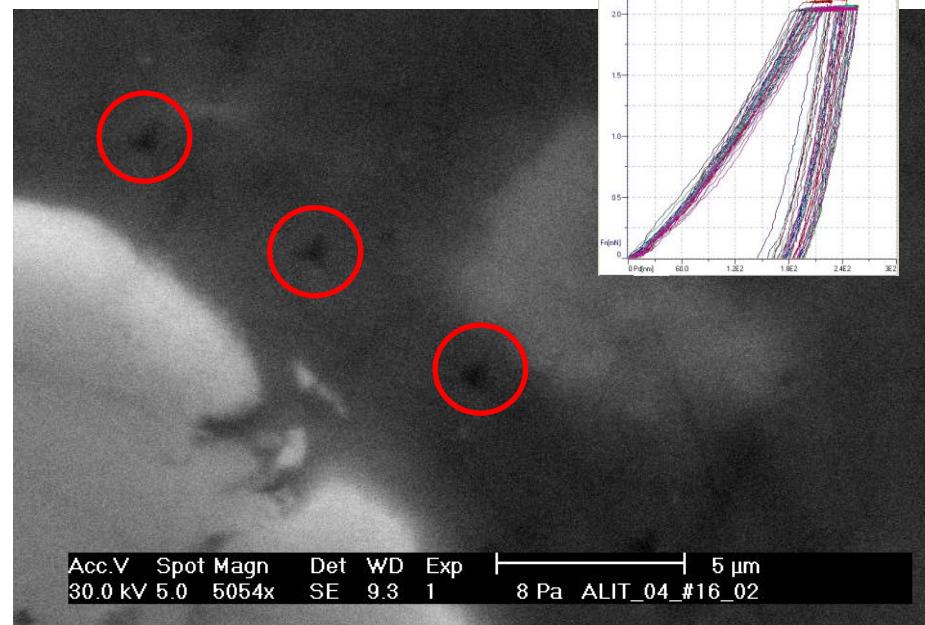
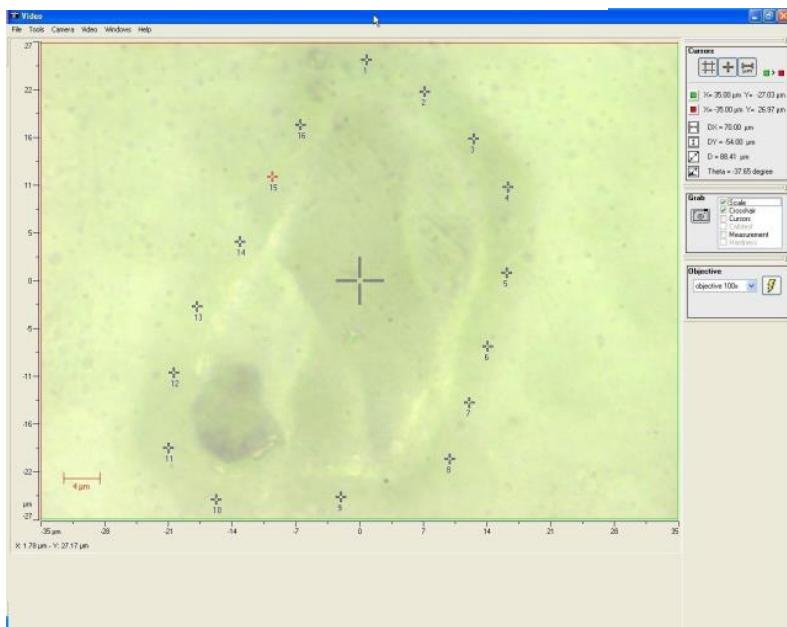
Pointed
(optical image
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($h \ll D$)



Statistical
grid indentation
($h \ll D$)

Pointed indentation in HD C-S-H

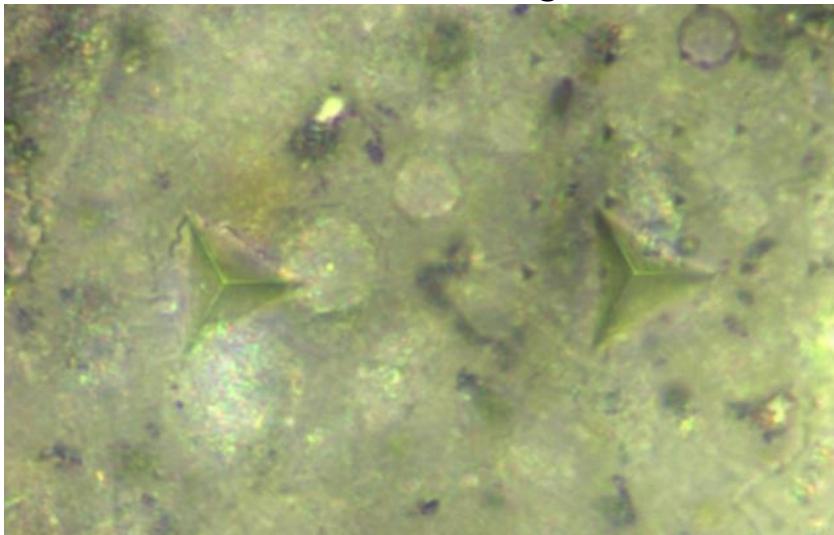
Pointed indentation (HD C-S-H)



$$E = 38.6 \pm 2.57 \text{ GPa}$$

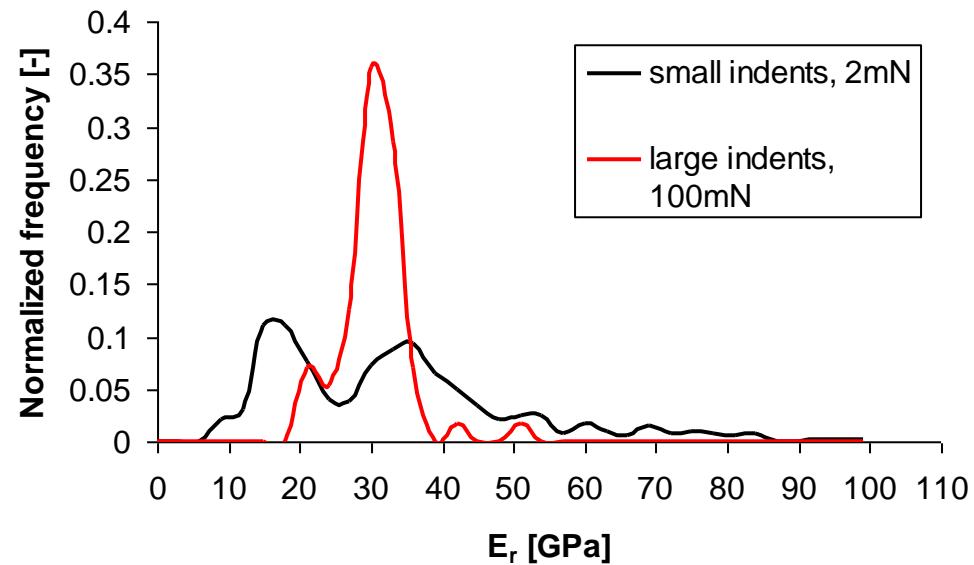
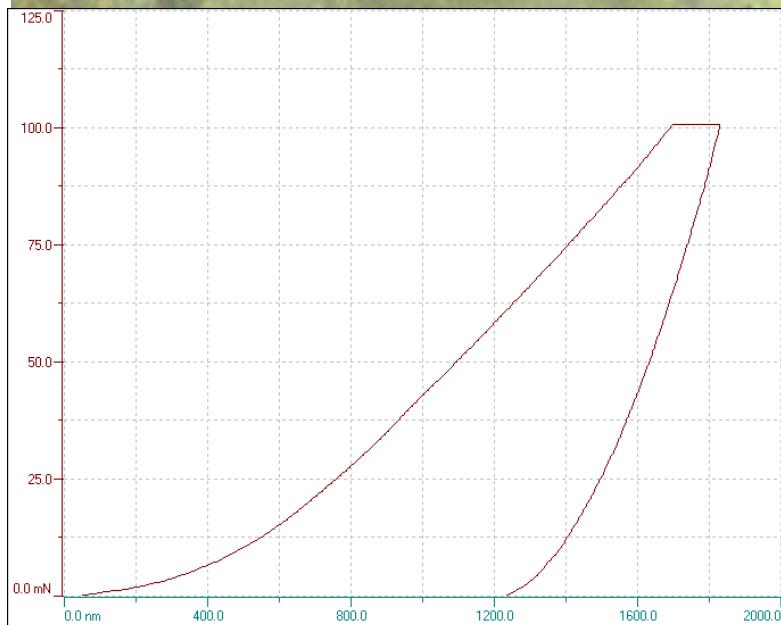
Average properties

Grid indentation –large indents 100mN



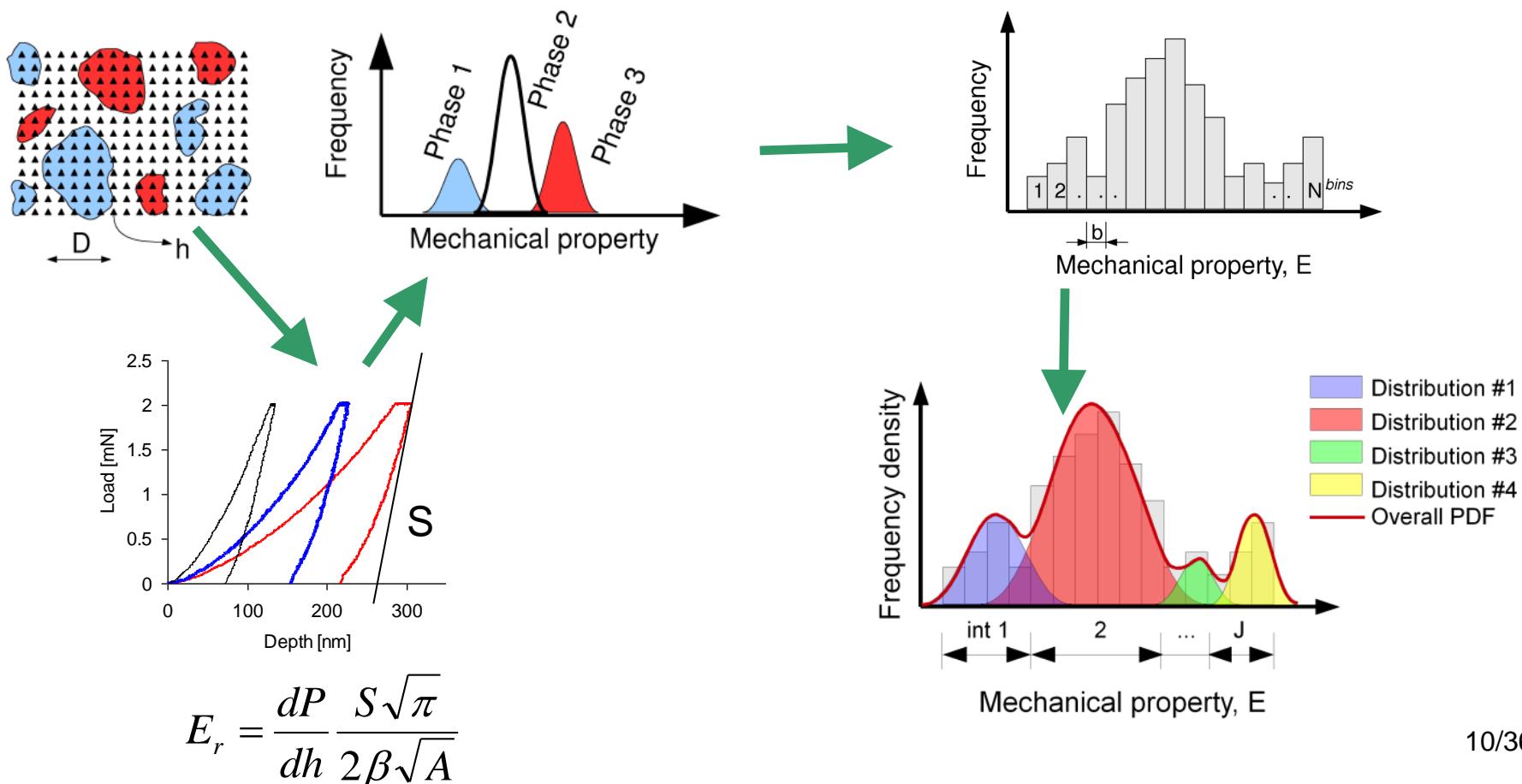
“Physical homogenization”

Geopolymers



Deconvolution

- All indents taken into account
- Assessment of E modulus from unloading curve (Standard Oliver-Pharr procedure) for individual indents
- Material property can be plotted in the form of property histogram
- Statistical deconvolution of material phases can be applied



Deconvolution algorithm

III-posed problem!

Select number of expected phases (e.g. $M=2$)

Generate M Gauss PDFs (G)

Compute overall theoretical PDF from (G)

Compute quadratic norm from deviations between experimental and theoretical PDFs (QN)

If (QN) < tolerance or max. number of iterations reached

Next iteration

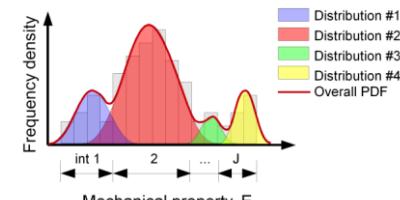
$$p_j(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi s_j^2}} \exp \frac{-(x - \mu_j)^2}{2s_j^2}$$

$$\mu_j = \frac{1}{n_j} \sum_{k=1}^{n_j} x_k \quad s_j^2 = \frac{1}{n_j - 1} \sum_{k=1}^{n_j} (x_k - \mu_j)^2$$

$$C(x) = \sum_{j=1}^M f_j p_j(x) \quad f_j = \frac{n_j}{N^{\text{exp}}}$$

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^{N^{\text{bins}}} [(P_i^{\text{exp}} - C(x_i)) P_i^{\text{exp}}]^2$$

Minimum found



Nanoindentation on cement paste

Main phases at micro-scale

- C-S-H gels (low and high density)
- Portlandite Ca(OH)_2
- Residual clinker
- Capillary porosity

Nanoindentation on cement paste

Parameters of nanoindentation

- **Representative** material area (*RVE* 200x200 μm)
- Indents spacing 10 μm
- Individual **indents depth** $h=100\text{-}300\text{ nm}$

$h \ll$ characteristic size of heterogeneities

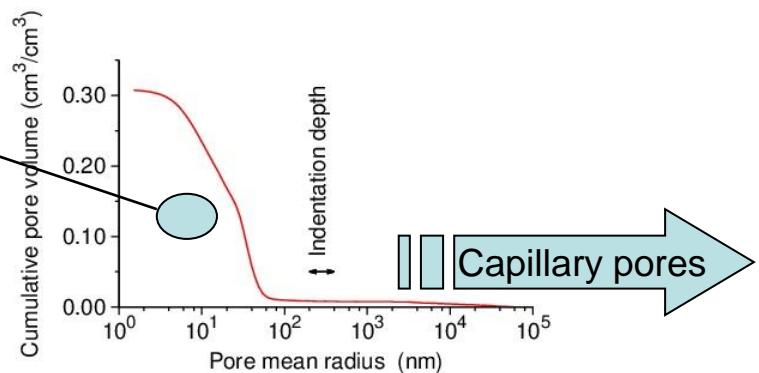
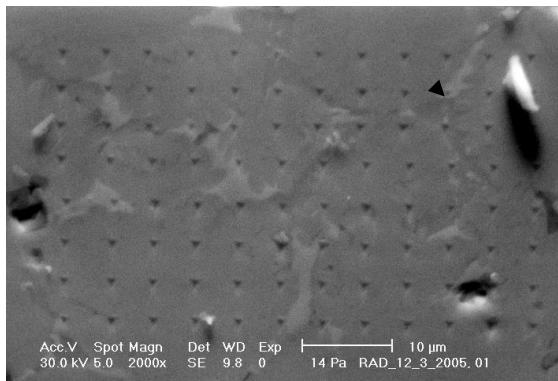
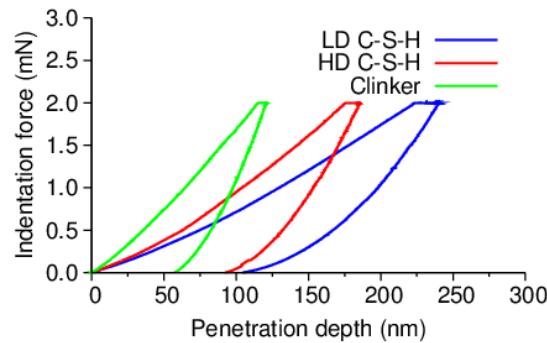
(Portladite zones, clinker, .. μm range)

$h \gg$ nanoporosity (30vol.% <100nm) (included in intrinsic phase properties)

$h \ll$ Capillary porosity (not included in results)

20×20=400 indents
10 μm spacing
RVE size ~200 μm

Nanoporosity included
in NI results



Statistical grid nanoindentation on cement paste

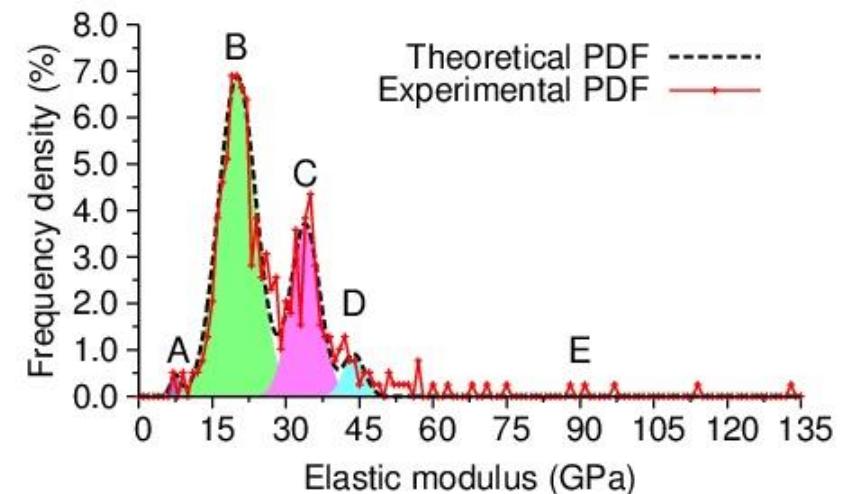
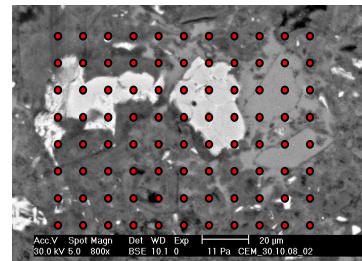
- Deconvolution of phases from grid results in RVE

- Assumption of n -phases (Gaussian distributions)

$$P(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{p_j}{\sqrt{2\pi s_j^2}} \exp \left[-\frac{(x - \mu_j)^2}{2s_j^2} \right]$$

- Minimization of differences between theoretical and experimental probability density

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^{N^{bins}} [(P_i^{exp} - C(x_i)) P_i^{exp}]^2$$



Reduced modulus E_r (GPa) and frequency of occurrence (%)			
Phase	This study ¹	Literature [10] ²	Literature [22] ³
A. Low stiffness	7.45 ± 0.98 (1.05 %)	n/a	8.1 ± 1.7 (6 %)
B. LD C-S-H	20.09 ± 3.85 (63.17 %)	21.7 ± 2.2 (67 %)	18.2 ± 4.19 (51 %)
C. HD C-S-H	33.93 ± 2.98 (26.34 %)	29.4 ± 2.4 (33 %)	29.1 ± 4.07 (27 %)
D. Portlandite	43.88 ± 2.15 (4.61 %)	n/a	40.3 ± 4.03 (11 %)
E. Non-hydrated	n/a (4.83 %)	n/a	n/a

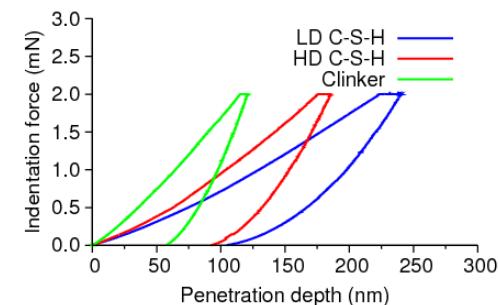
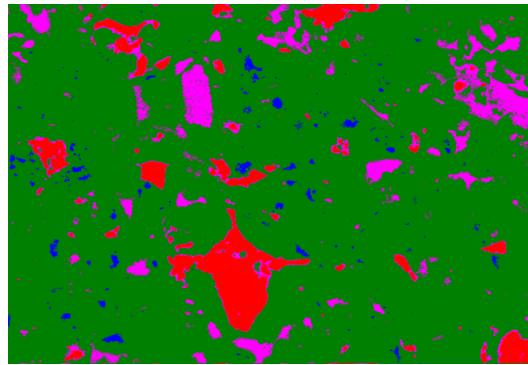
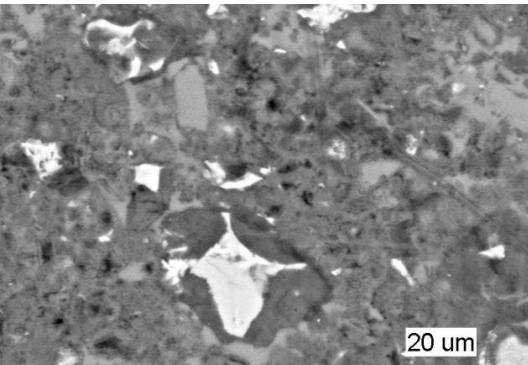
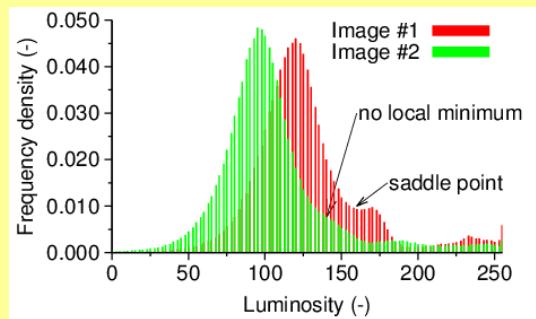


Image analysis (SEM) on cement paste



green=C-S-H;
pink=Portlandite;
blue=porosity;
red=clinker

Local minima approach

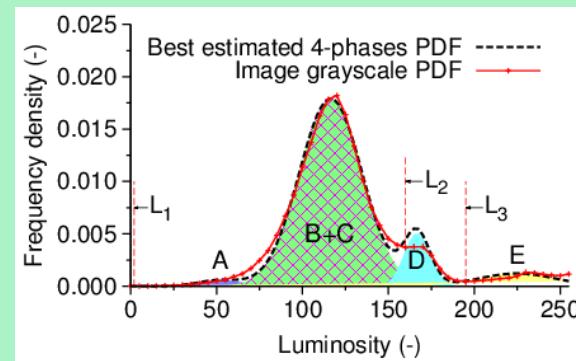


Segmentation to only 4 phases
(Not sufficient contrast to distinguish between low/high-density C-S-H)

Phase	fraction	s.d.
Porosity	0.017	0.015
C-S-H	0.862	0.024
Portlandite	0.078	0.013
Clinker	0.044	0.020

Segmentation

Deconvolution approach



IA insufficiencies

- Cannot sense B/C
- Smooth transitions between phases – no local minima

Phase	fraction	s.d.
Porosity	0.032	0.02
C-S-H	0.805	0.035
Portlandite	0.101	0.032
Clinker	0.062	0.028

Comparison

	Nanoindentation		Image analysis	
Phase	E (GPa)	f_NI	f_IA (dec)	Error=(f_IA-f_NI)/f_AI
A-Low stiffness phase	7.45	0.011	0.032	0.66
B=low density C-S-H	20.09	0.632	0.805	-0.11
C=high density C-S-H	33.93	0.263		
D=Portlandite	43.88	0.046	0.101	0.54
E-Clinker	121	0.048	0.062	0.23

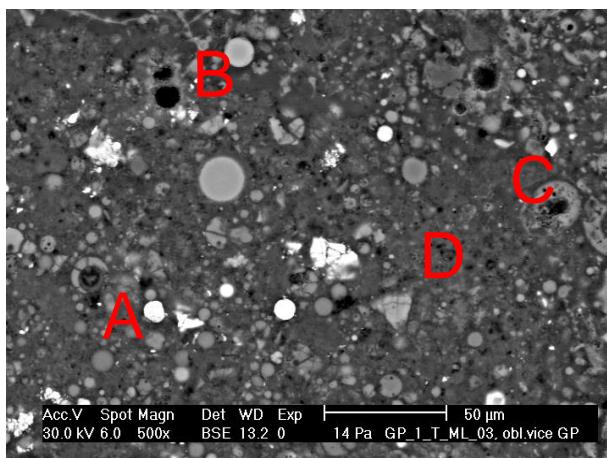
- IA overestimates low density regions (pores)
- IA can not sense two types of C-S-H
- IA overestimates Portlandite and clinker volumes
(due to smooth color transition)

Nanomechanical analysis of AAFA

Nanomechanical analysis on AAFA

Alkali-activated fly ash (AAFA)

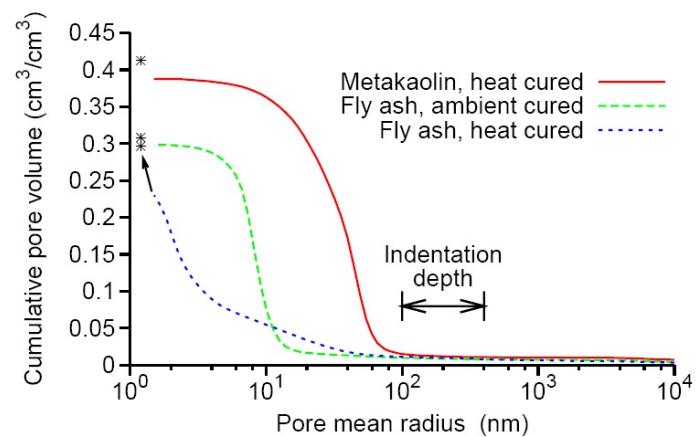
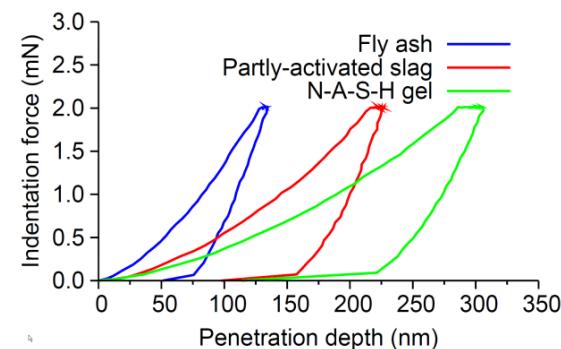
➤ Basic reaction product is an amorphous **alumino-silicate gel (N-A-S-H gel) and/or C-S-H gel** forming in the presence of calcium and low alkalinity activator



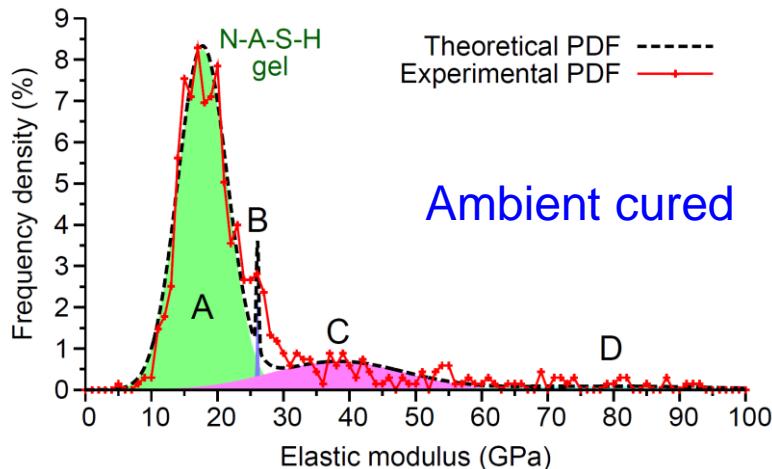
- A. light luminous points = iron rich particles (*Fe-Mn* oxides)
- B. light grey compact spheres = alumina-silica rich glass particles
- C. porous fly ash particles and non-activated slags
- D. N-A-S-H gel

Nanoindentation

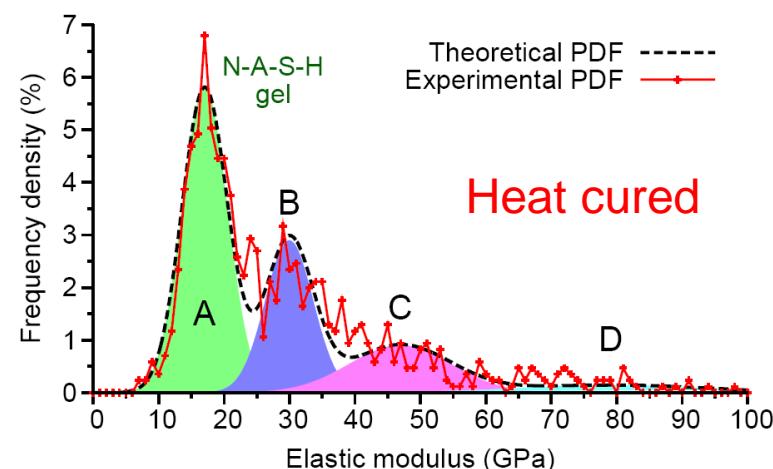
- CSM nanohardness tester
- Several matrices of $10 \times 10 = 100$ imprints
- Mutual indents' spacing 10-50 μm
- Total **700 - 800 imprints** per sample
- Load controlled test
- Trapezoidal loading diagram
- Max. load 2 mN
- Loading/holding/unloading 30/30/30s



Results on AAFA



Ambient cured

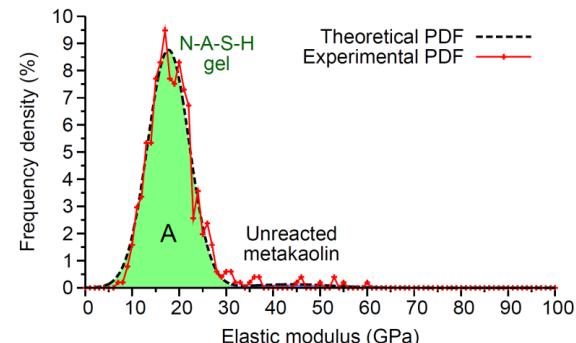


Heat cured

- the second peak comes from partly activated slag particles (mix of gel and rest of a slag particle)
- different reaction kinetics between ambient and heat-cured sample.

Phase / precursor and curing	AAFA	
	Heat-cured	Ambient-cured
A. N-A-S-H gel	17.03 ± 3.48 (50.7 %)	17.72 ± 3.75 (77.5 %)
B. Partly-activated slag	29.95 ± 3.66 (26.6 %)	26.06 ± 0.18 (1.1 %)
C. Nonactivated slag	46.90 ± 7.76 (17.6 %)	38.27 ± 10.13 (17.5 %)
D. Nonactivated compact glass	79.15 ± 14.34 (5.1 %)	79.65 ± 16.99 (3.9 %)
Unreacted metakaolin		43.91 ± 8.69 (2.8 %)

Phase / precursor and curing	AAMK	
	Heat-cured	Ambient-cured
A. N-A-S-H gel	17.72 ± 4.43 (97.2 %)	
B. Partly-activated slag	-	
C. Nonactivated slag	-	
D. Nonactivated compact glass	-	
Unreacted metakaolin		43.91 ± 8.69 (2.8 %)





Nanomechanical analysis on gypsum

Nanomechanical analysis on gypsum

Samples:

- low-porosity purified α -hemihydrate ($\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 1/2\text{H}_2\text{O}$)

- Used for dental purposes

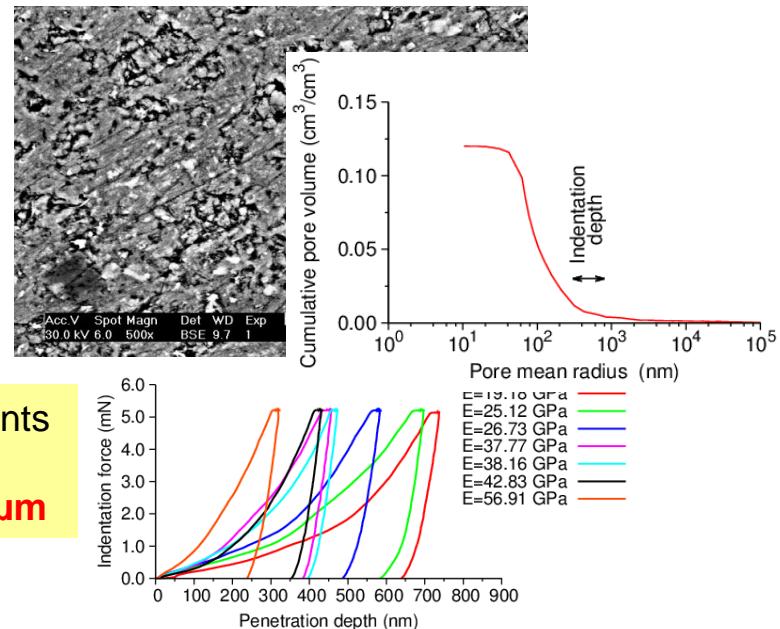
Microstructure:

- Interlocking crystals+porosity (total 19%)
- The major porosity: in nano-range 0–300 nm (0–100 nm 7%, 100–300 nm 4%, 300–1000 nm 1%)
- virtually no pores appeared between 1-100 μm (<0.5%)

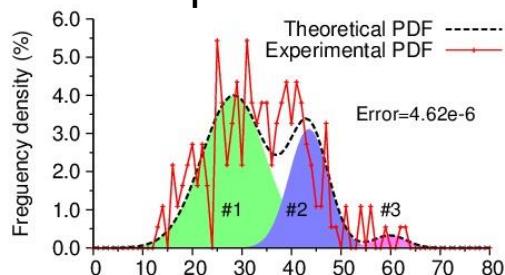
Results:

- polycrystalline nature
- apparent isotropic moduli associated with the indentation volume $1.5^3 \mu\text{m}^3$ were assessed
- three significant crystallographic orientations (monoclinic system)

15×12=180 indents
15 μm spacing
RVE size ~200 μm



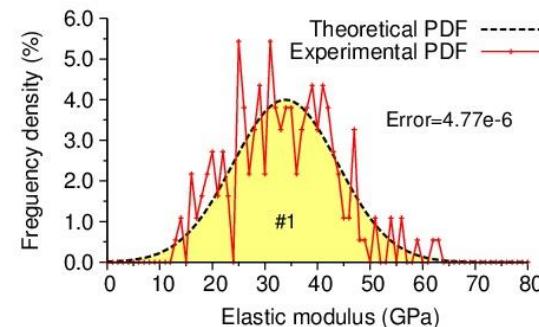
3-phases fit



Deconvoluted phase	E (GPa)	Poisson's ratio	Volume fraction
#1	28.36	0.32	0.663
#2	43.46	0.32	0.310
#3	59.89	0.32	0.027

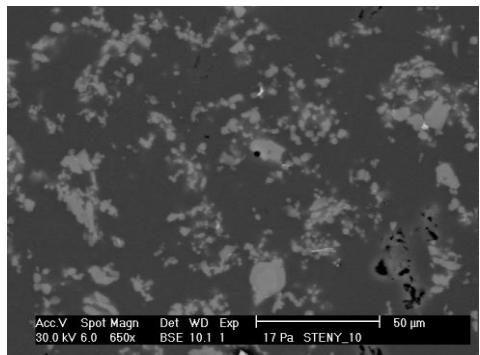
$$E_{M-T}=32.96 \text{ GPa}$$

1-phase fit

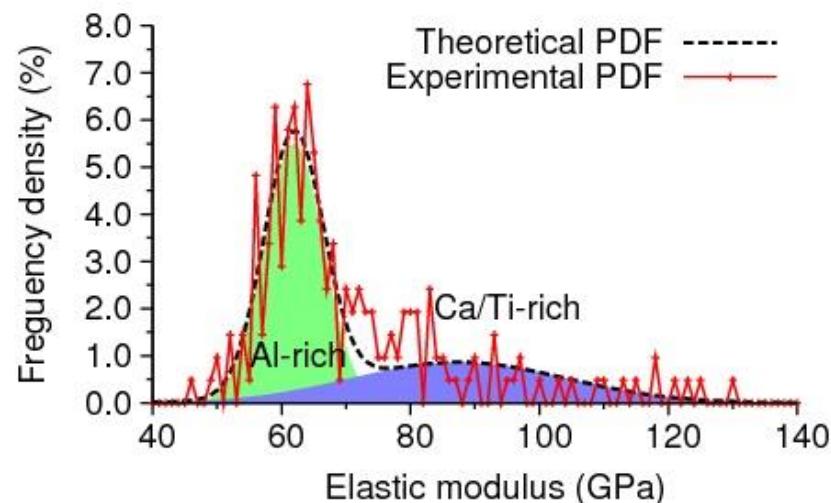


$$E = 33.90 \text{ GPa}$$

Nanomechanical analysis of Al alloy



2x(10×10)=2x100 indents
10 μm spacing
RVE size \sim 100 μm



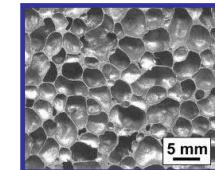
Phase	E (GPa)	Poisson's ratio (-)	Volume fraction
Al-rich zone	61.882	0.35	0.637681
Ca/Ti-rich zone	87.395	0.35	0.362319



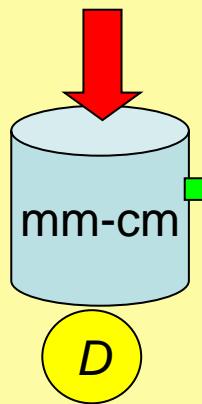
Up-scaling low level properties to upper level

Structural materials (concrete, gypsum, plastics, wood, ...) are characterized by

- Multiscale heterogeneity (different chemical and mechanical phases)
- Phase separation process (depends on scale $nm-mm$)



Traditional concept

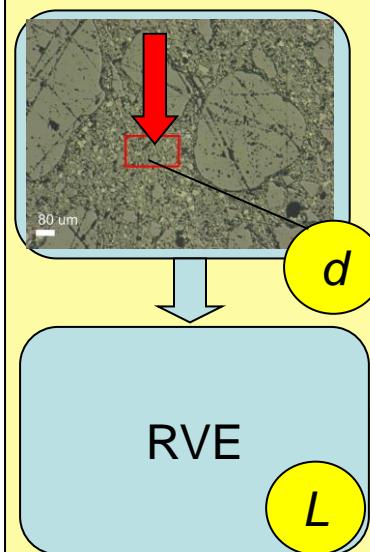


Material = black-box

Micromechanics

$$d \ll L \ll D$$

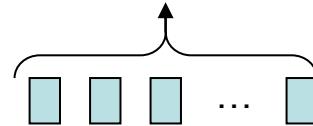
Characterization
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Microstructure based evaluation

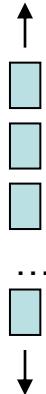
Analytical Upper/Lower Bounds

Voigt bound = strains constant in composite (rule of mixtures for stiffness, parallel configuration)



$$E_c = f E_f + (1 - f) E_m$$

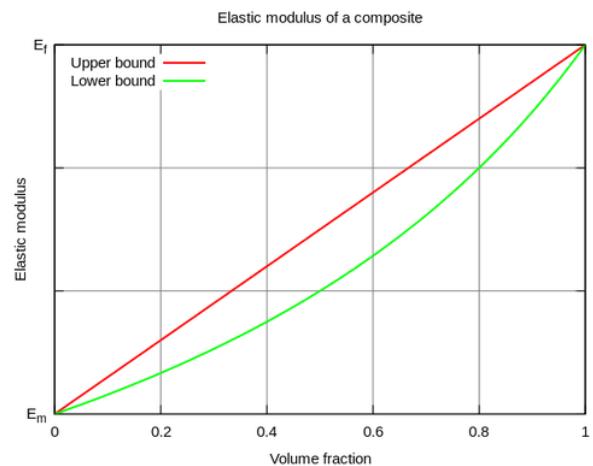
Reuss bound = stresses constant in composite (rule of mixtures for compliance, serial configuration)



$$E_c = \left(\frac{f}{E_f} + \frac{1-f}{E_m} \right)^{-1}.$$

$$f = \frac{V_f}{V_f + V_m}$$

Hashin-Shtrikman Bounds

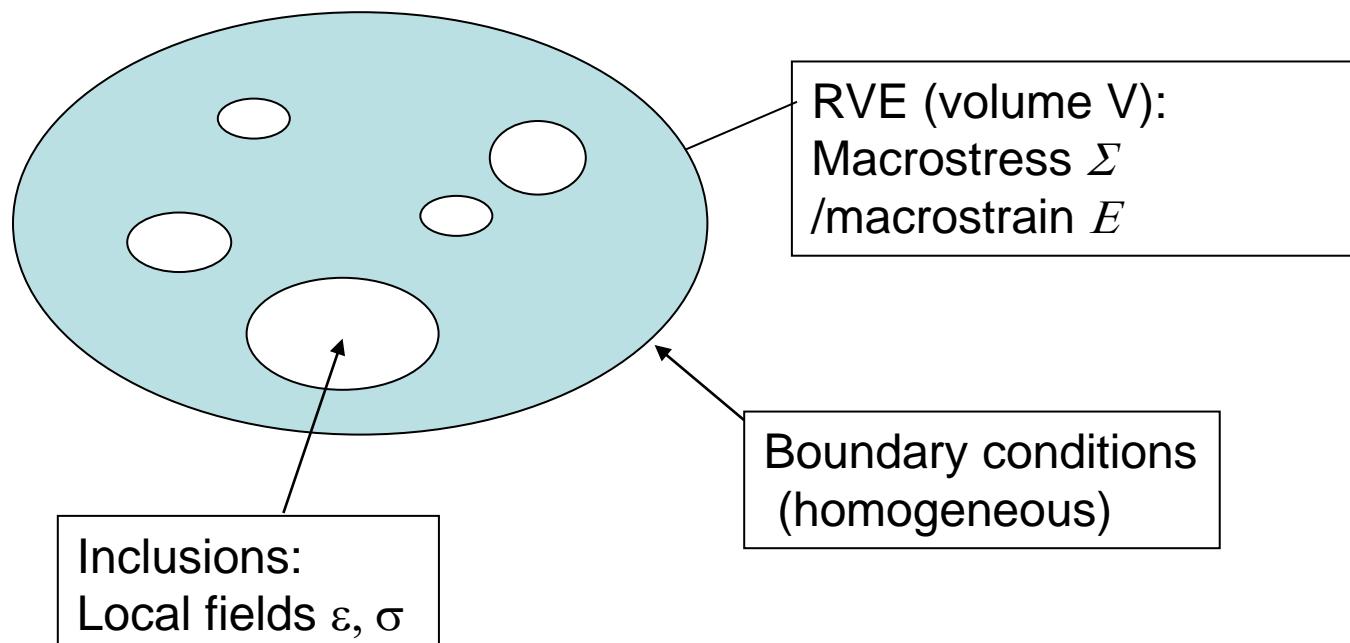


1. Analytical schemes

Average stress/strain

$$\langle \sigma \rangle = \frac{1}{V} \int_V \sigma(\mathbf{x}) dV = \Sigma. \quad \langle \varepsilon \rangle = \frac{1}{V} \int_V \varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) dV = E.$$

Local stress Local strain



Micromechanical averaging

$$\Sigma = \langle \sigma \rangle = \frac{1}{V} \int_V \mathbf{c}(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{E} dV = \mathbf{C}^{eff} : \mathbf{E},$$

$$E = \langle \epsilon \rangle = \frac{1}{V} \int_V \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) : \Sigma dV = \mathbf{S}^{eff} : \Sigma.$$

local stiffness and
compliance tensors

strain or stress localization
(concentration) tensors

For r-phases:

$$\mathbf{C}^{eff} = \sum_r f_r \mathbf{c}_r : \mathbf{A}_r$$

$$\mathbf{S}^{eff} = \sum_r f_r \mathbf{s}_r : \mathbf{B}_r$$

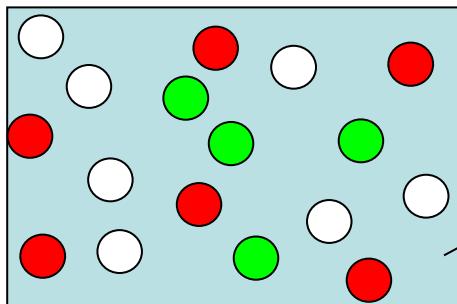
r-phase medium:
 f_r ... volume fraction
 $\mathbf{c}_r/\mathbf{s}_r$...local stiffness/compliance tensors
 $\mathbf{A}_r/\mathbf{B}_r$... localization tensors

Eshelby's estimate

$$\mathbf{A}_r^{est} = [\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{S}_r^{Esh} : (\mathbf{C}_0^{-1} : \mathbf{c}_r - \mathbf{I})]_{\mathbf{I}}^{-1} : \langle [\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{S}_r^{Esh} : (\mathbf{C}_0^{-1} : \mathbf{c}_r - \mathbf{I})]^{-1} \rangle^{-1}$$

Mori-Tanaka method

- Based on **Eshelby's** solution of an ellipsoidal inclusion in an infinite body
- Assumes prevailing matrix reinforced with non-continuous spherical inclusions
- Uses phase volume fractions and stiffnesses (here taken from deconvolution)
- Produces effective (homogenized) composite properties



Reference medium == 0-th phase

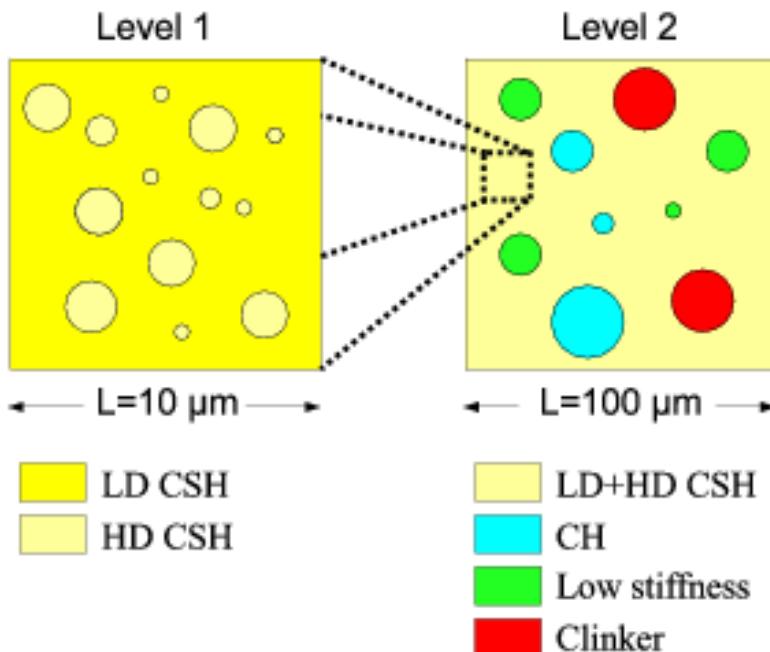
$$\alpha_0 = \frac{3k_0}{3k_0 + 4\mu_0}, \beta_0 = \frac{6k_0 + 12\mu_0}{15k_0 + 20\mu_0}$$

Bulk and shear effective moduli for r-phase composite:

$$k_{eff} = \frac{\sum_r f_r k_r (1 + \alpha_0 (\frac{k_r}{k_0} - 1))^{-1}}{\sum_r f_r (1 + \alpha_0 (\frac{k_r}{k_0} - 1))^{-1}}$$
$$\mu_{eff} = \frac{\sum_r f_r \mu_r (1 + \beta_0 (\frac{\mu_r}{\mu_0} - 1))^{-1}}{\sum_r f_r (1 + \beta_0 (\frac{\mu_r}{\mu_0} - 1))^{-1}}$$

Volume fractions and phase stiffnesses

Analytical homogenization (Mori-Tanaka)



Level 1

	Phase	$E_r(\text{GPa})$	ν	f_r
Input	LD C-S-H	20.09	0.2	0.706
	HD C-S-H	33.93	0.2	0.294
Output	Homogenized C-S-H	23.363	0.2	1

Level 2

	Phase	$E_r(\text{GPa})$	ν	f_r
Input	C-S-H	23.363	0.2	0.8951
	Low stiffness	7.45	0.2	0.0105
	CH	43.88	0.3	0.0461
	Clinker	113	0.3	0.0483
	Output	Cement paste	25.343	0.21

FFT based Numerical homogenization

$$\text{Average strain } \langle \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \rangle := \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = E$$

Governing differential equation:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{x}) : \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}) \quad \operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$$

Effective stiffness tensor $\langle \sigma \rangle = L_{\text{eff}} \langle \epsilon \rangle$

Decomposition of local strain to *homogeneous strain and polarization part*)

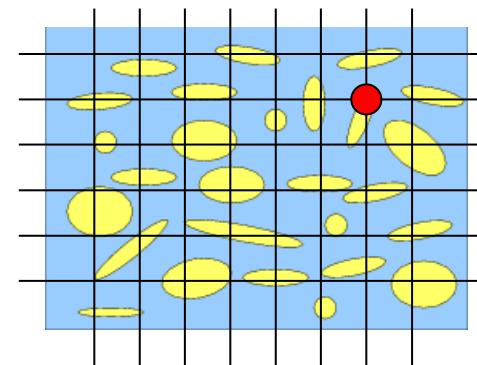
$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E} - \int_{\Omega} \Gamma^0(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) : \underbrace{(\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{L}^0)}_{\text{Polarization stress}} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \quad (\text{periodic Lippmann-Schwinger integral equation})$$

Green's operator Polarization stress

Integral kernel (Green's operator) found in the Fourier space

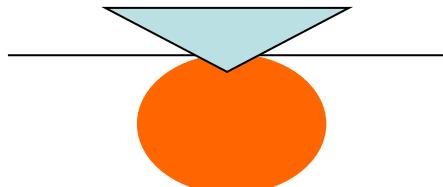
Discretization (by trigonometric collocation method) leads to
--->**nonsymmetric linear system** of equations (CG method)

Depends only on the stiffness at local grid points



Comparison of the results

Stiffness matrix for **Plane strain** conditions (isotropic material)



$$\mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{A}} = \frac{E_{\text{eff}}}{(1 + \nu_{\text{eff}})(1 - 2\nu_{\text{eff}})} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \nu_{\text{eff}} & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 - \nu_{\text{eff}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - 2\nu_{\text{eff}} \end{bmatrix}$$

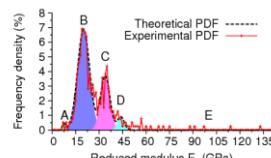
Uni-directional stiffness and Poisson's ratio

Comparison of analytical and FFT scheme

$$\text{stiffness error} = \delta = \sqrt{\frac{(\mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} - \mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{A}}) : (\mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} - \mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{A}})}{(\mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} : \mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}})}}$$

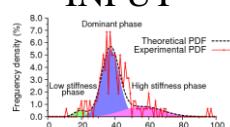
Results from nanoindentation and deconvolution

CEMENT



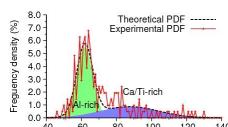
	Phase	E (GPa)	Poisson's ratio (-)	Volume fraction
INPUT	Low stiffness	7.45	0.2	0.0105
	Low density C-S-H	20.09	0.2	0.6317
	High density C-S-H	33.93	0.2	0.2634
	Ca(OH)_2	43.88	0.3	0.0461
	clinker	130	0.3	0.0483
OUTPUT	M-T homogenized value	25.3308	0.2067	1.0

GYPSUM



	Phase	E (GPa)	Poisson's ratio (-)	Volume fraction
INPUT	Low stiffness	19.357	0.2	0.043750
	Dominant	37.234	0.2	0.712500
	High stiffness	56.277	0.2	0.243750
OUTPUT	M-T homogenized value	40.000	0.2	1.0

ALPORAS



	Phase	E (GPa)	Poisson's ratio (-)	Volume fraction
INPUT	Al-rich zone	61.882	0.35	0.637681
	Ca/Ti-rich zone	87.395	0.35	0.362319
OUTPUT	M-T homogenized value	70.083	0.35	1.0

Numerical results

CEMENT

$$\mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} 28.145 & 7.036 & 0 \\ 7.036 & 28.145 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 21.109 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} = \begin{bmatrix} 26.177 & 6.778 & 0.068 \\ 6.778 & 26.224 & 0.014 \\ 0.068 & 0.014 & 19.818 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$cement \delta = 0.071045$$

Error 7.1%

GYPSUM

$$\mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} 44.444 & 11.111 & 0 \\ 11.111 & 44.444 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 33.333 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} = \begin{bmatrix} 40.995 & 10.593 & -0.349 \\ 10.593 & 41.726 & -0.024 \\ -0.349 & -0.024 & 30.909 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$gypsum \delta = 0.075138$$

Error 7.5%

ALPORAS

$$\mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} 112.479 & 60.566 & 0 \\ 60.566 & 112.479 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 51.913 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} = \begin{bmatrix} 117.130 & 62.741 & -0.163 \\ 62.741 & 117.106 & -0.143 \\ -0.163 & -0.143 & 54.313 \end{bmatrix}$$

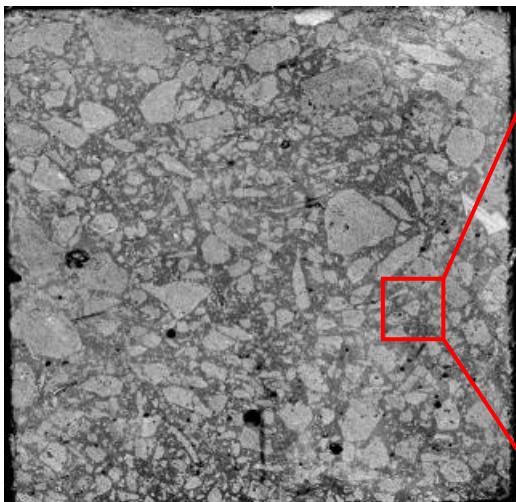
$$Al-alloy \delta = 0.0393058$$

Error 3.9%

(Stiffness matrices in Mandel's notation)

Examples of Elastic Homogenization

UHPC



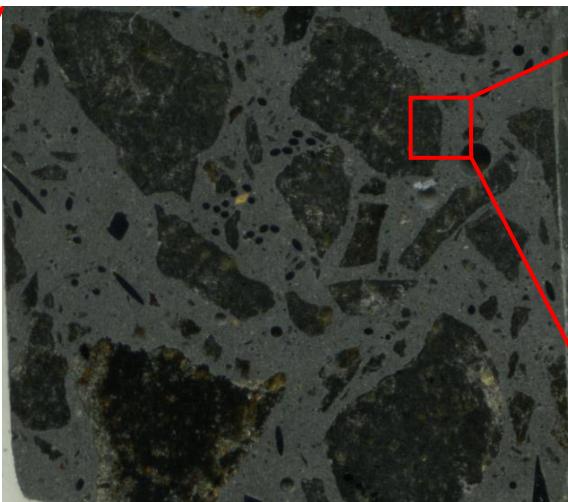
100mm

Level III (matrix+large aggregate)

Main components:

- Level II
- Large agg. (21.6%, E=131.1 GPa)
- pores (2.8%, E=0GPa)

$$\bullet E_{\text{eff}, \text{II}} = 55 \text{ GPa}$$



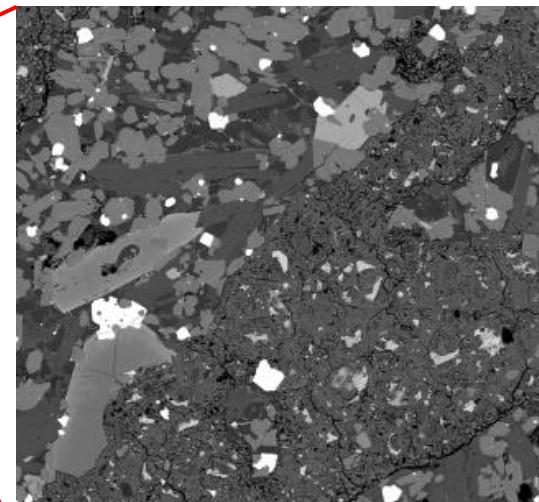
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Level II (cement matrix+small aggregate+fibers)

Main components:

- Cement matrix incl. microsilica (58%, E=29.4 GPa)
- Small agg. 0-4mm (37.5%, E=131.1 GPa)
- fibers (2%, E=200 GPa)
- pores (2.8%, E=0GPa)

$$\bullet E_{\text{eff}, \text{II}} = 46.6 \text{ GPa}$$



1mm

Level I (basalt aggregate)

Main components:

- feldspar (22.8%, E=91 GPa)
- Olivine (68.4%, E=169 GPa)
- magnetite (5.2%, E=150 GPa)
- pores (3.6%, E=0GPa)

$$\bullet E_{\text{eff}, \text{I}} = 131.3 \text{ GPa}$$

Examples of Elastic Homogenization

Cement paste

Analytical

Data received from statistical deconvolution and homogenized values on cement paste.

Deconvoluted phase	E (GPa)	Poisson's ratio	Volume fraction
Low stiffness phase (A)	7.45	0.2	0.011
Low density C-S-H (B)	20.09	0.2	0.632
High density C-S-H (C)	33.93	0.2	0.263
Portlandite (D)	43.88	0.3	0.046
Clinker (E)	121.0 ^a	0.3	0.048
<i>Homogenization</i>			
C-S-H level (B + C) by M-T	23.36	0.2	
C-S-H level (B + C) by SCS	23.41	0.2	
Cement paste level (B + C) + A + D + E by M-T	25.39	0.207	1.0
Cement paste level (B + C) + A + D + E by SCS	25.44	0.208	1.0

from NI

M-T stands for the Mori–Tanaka scheme; SCS stands for the self-consistent scheme.

^a Note: Clinker value was adjusted to 121 GPa according to [7].

$$L_{\text{eff}}^A = \frac{E_{\text{eff}}}{(1+\nu_{\text{eff}})(1-2\nu_{\text{eff}})} \begin{bmatrix} 1-\nu_{\text{eff}} & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1-\nu_{\text{eff}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-2\nu_{\text{eff}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k + \frac{4}{3}\mu & k - \frac{2}{3}\mu & 0 \\ k - \frac{2}{3}\mu & k + \frac{4}{3}\mu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\mu \end{bmatrix}$$

cement : $L_{\text{eff}}^A = \begin{bmatrix} 28.44 & 7.43 & 0 \\ 7.43 & 28.44 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 21.02 \end{bmatrix}$

$$L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} = \begin{bmatrix} 26.177 & 6.778 & 0.068 \\ 6.778 & 26.224 & 0.014 \\ 0.068 & 0.014 & 19.818 \end{bmatrix}$$

FFT homogenization from NI

Comparison

$$\delta = \sqrt{\frac{(L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} - L_{\text{eff}}^A) :: (L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} - L_{\text{eff}}^A)}{(L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} :: L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}})}}$$

cement $\delta = 0.08$

Homogenization

Gypsum

Analytical

Data received from statistical deconvolution to the three phases and homogenized values on gypsum.

Deconvoluted phase	E (GPa)	Poisson's ratio	Volume fraction
#1	28.36	0.32	0.663
#2	43.46	0.32	0.310
#3	59.89	0.32	0.027
<i>Homogenization method</i>			
M-T	32.96	0.32	1.0
SCS	33.02	0.32	1.0

Note: M-T stands for the Mori–Tanaka scheme; SCS stands for the self-consistent scheme.

$$\text{Gypsum : 3 phase fit : } L_{\text{eff}}^A = \begin{bmatrix} 47.25 & 22.24 & 0 \\ 22.24 & 47.25 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 25.02 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{1phase fit : } L_{\text{eff}}^A = \begin{bmatrix} 48.51 & 22.84 & 0 \\ 22.84 & 48.51 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 25.69 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{FFT}} = \begin{bmatrix} 45.302 & 21.185 & 0.101 \\ 21.185 & 45.497 & -0.008 \\ 0.101 & -0.008 & 24.396 \end{bmatrix}$$

FFT homogenization from NI

Comparison

$${}_{\text{gypsum}}\delta = 0.07$$