

# Error-controlled adaptive damage-to-fracture approach for modeling a complex failure in quasi-brittle materials

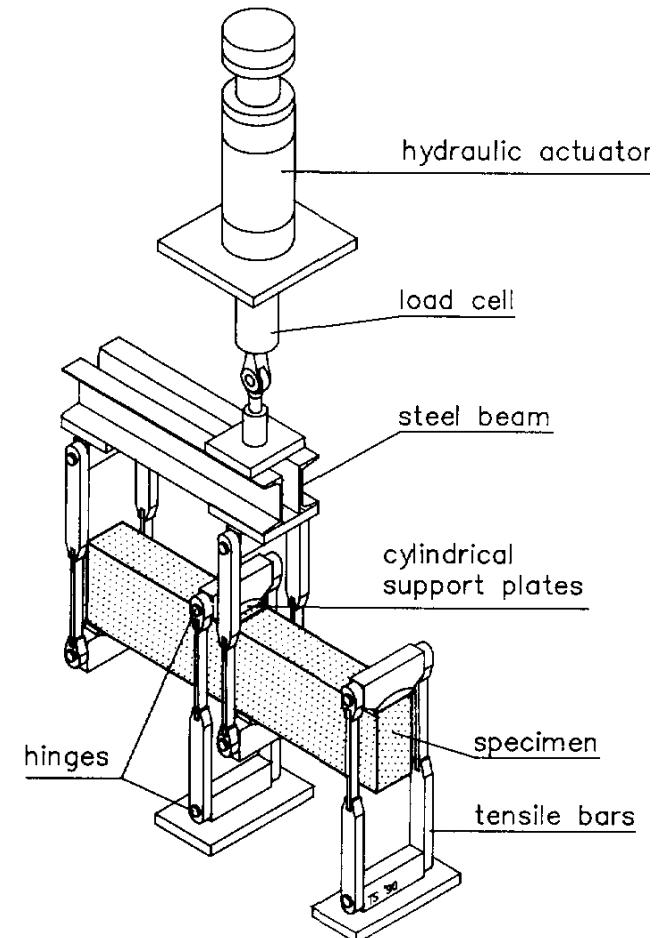
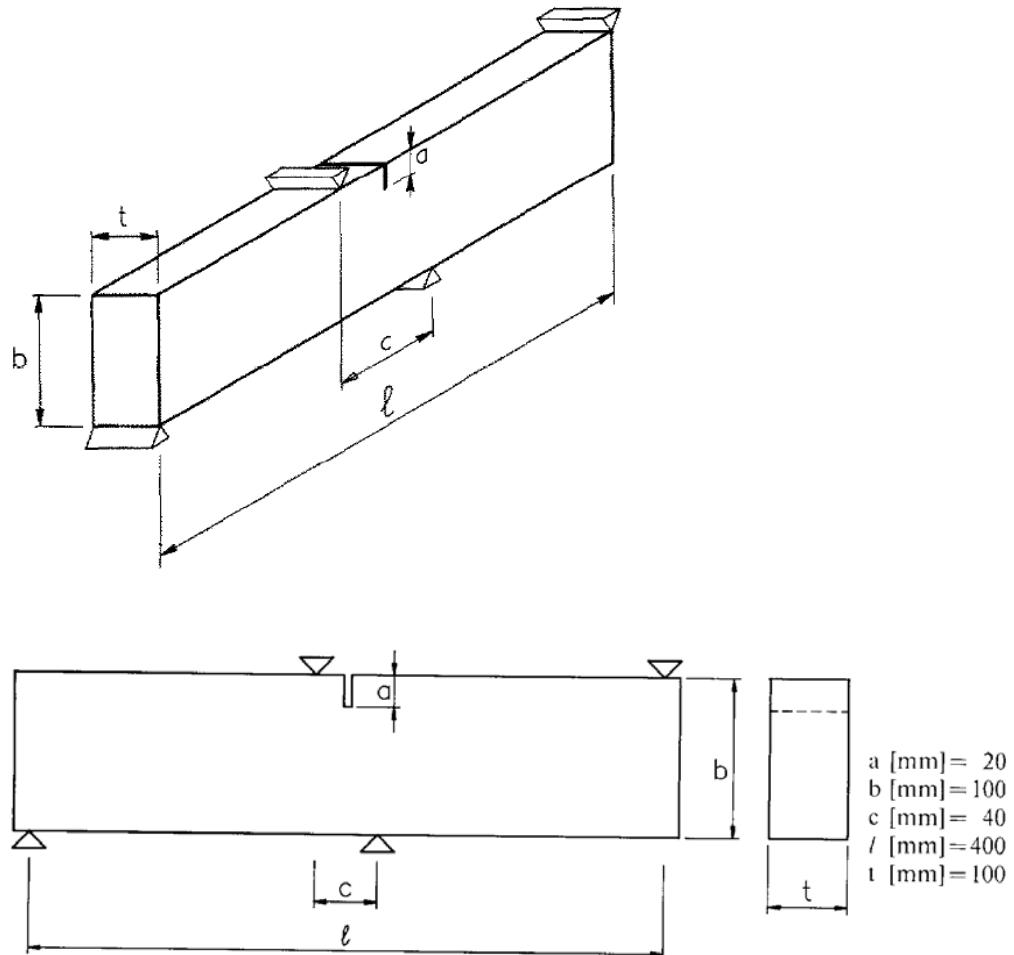
## Challenges and first results

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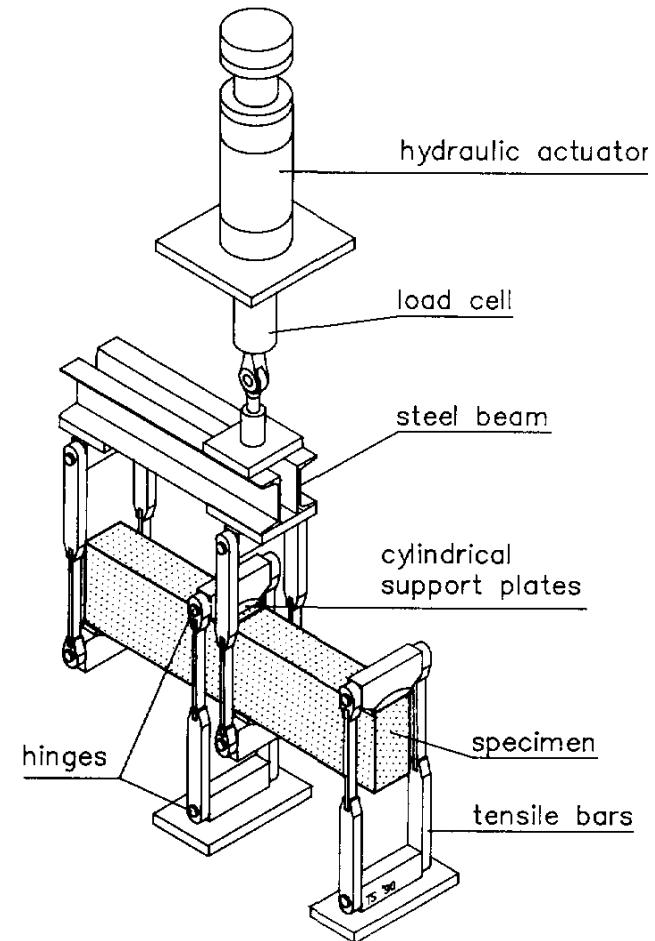
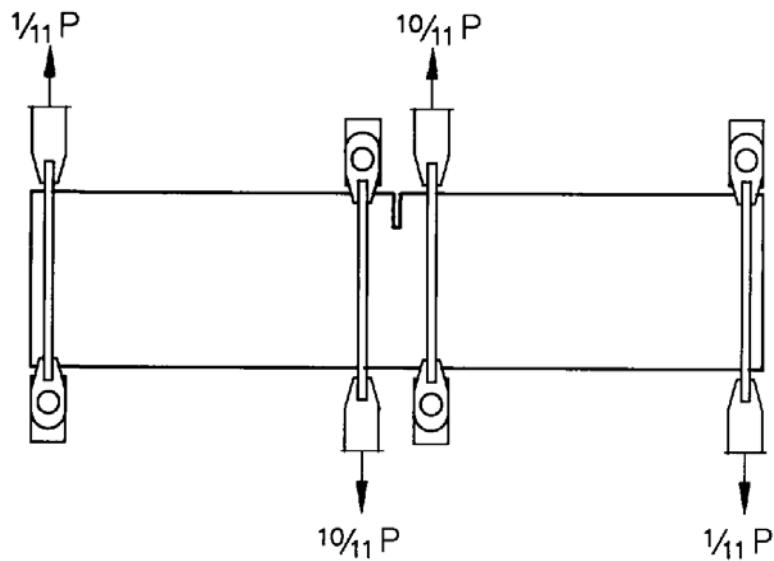
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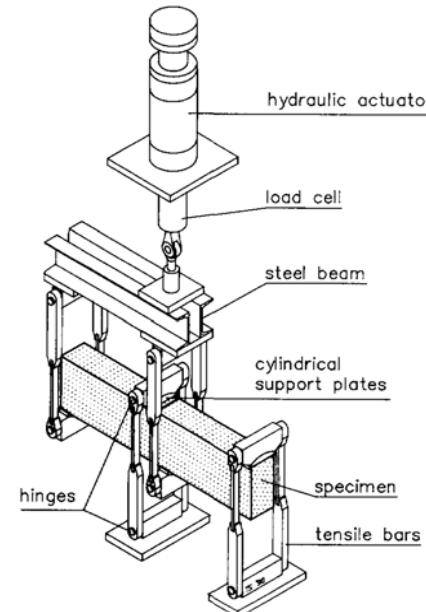
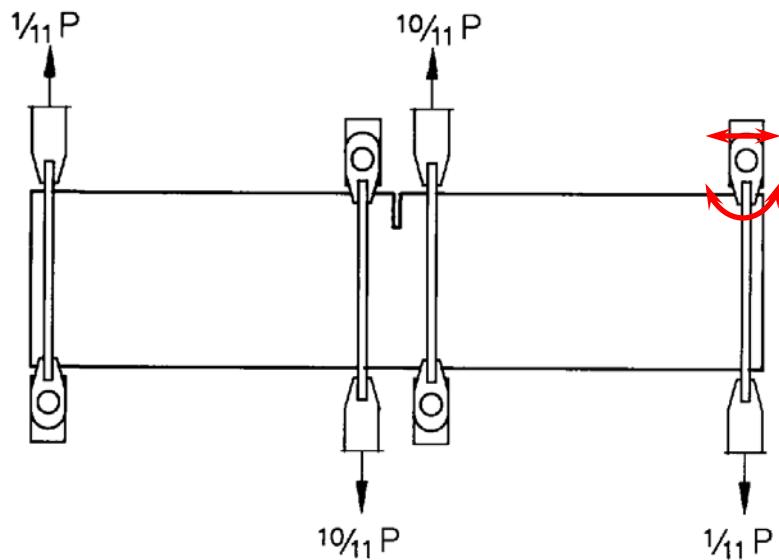
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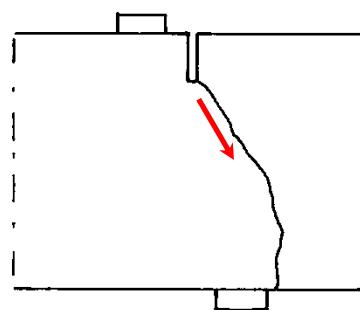


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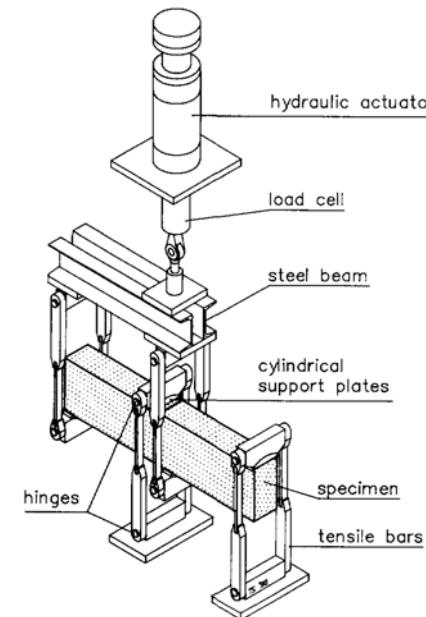
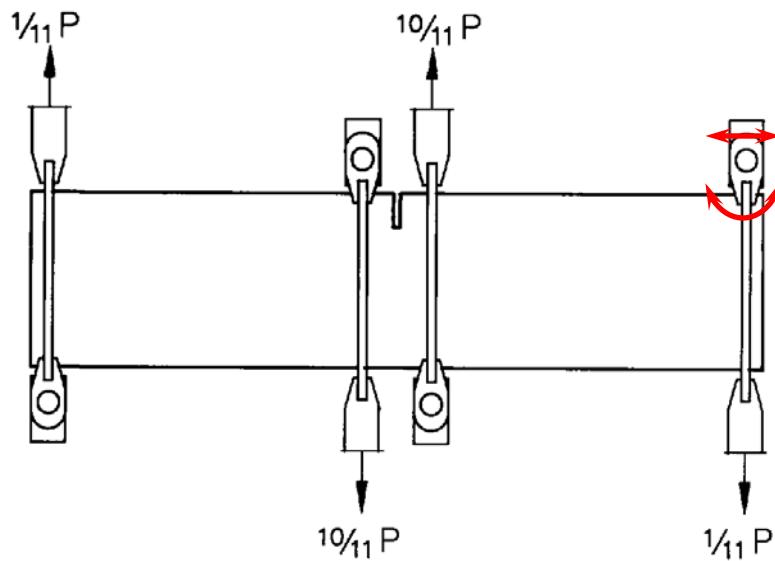


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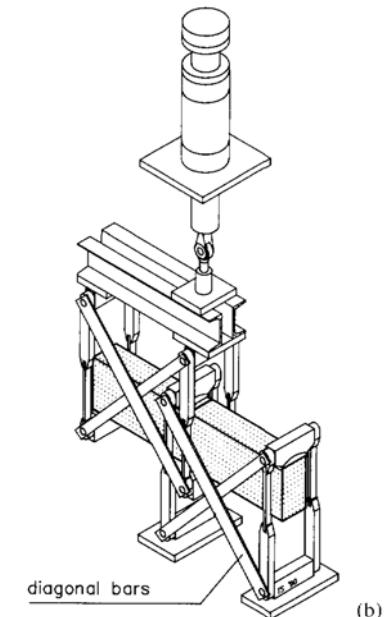


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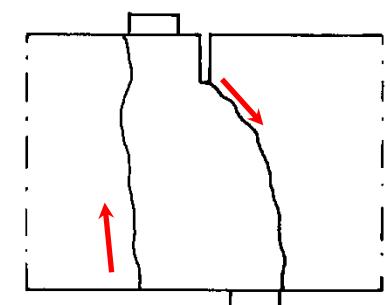
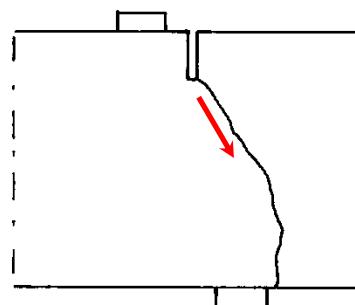
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$$D(\bar{\varepsilon}) := \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{\kappa_0}{\bar{\varepsilon}} (1 - \alpha + \alpha e^{-\beta(\bar{\varepsilon} - \kappa_0)}), & \bar{\varepsilon} > \kappa_0 \\ 0, & \bar{\varepsilon} \leq \kappa_0 \end{cases}$$

$$\kappa_0, \alpha, \beta$$

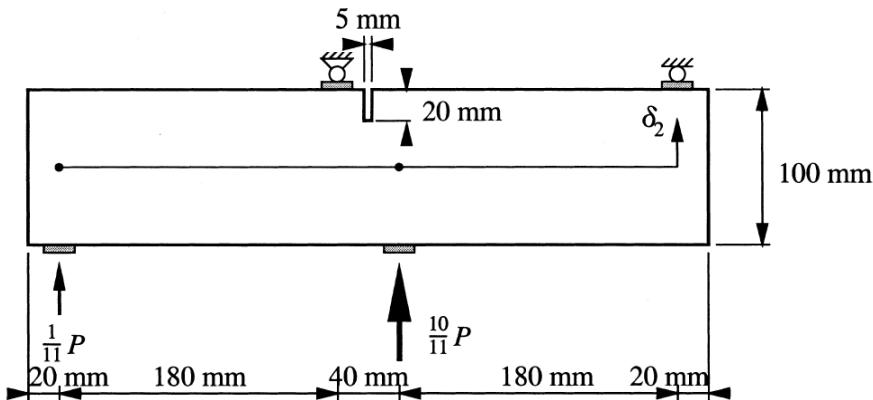
$$\tilde{\varepsilon} := \frac{k-1}{2k(1-2\nu)} I_1(\varepsilon) + \frac{k-1}{2k(1-2\nu)} \sqrt{I_1^2(\varepsilon) + \frac{12k}{(k-1)^2} \left( \frac{1-2\nu}{1-\nu} \right)^2 J_2(\varepsilon)}$$

$$k, c$$

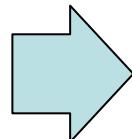
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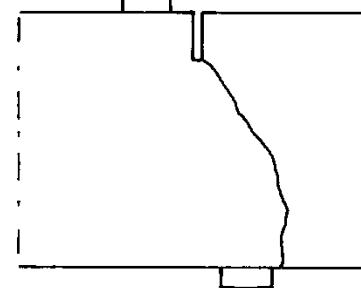
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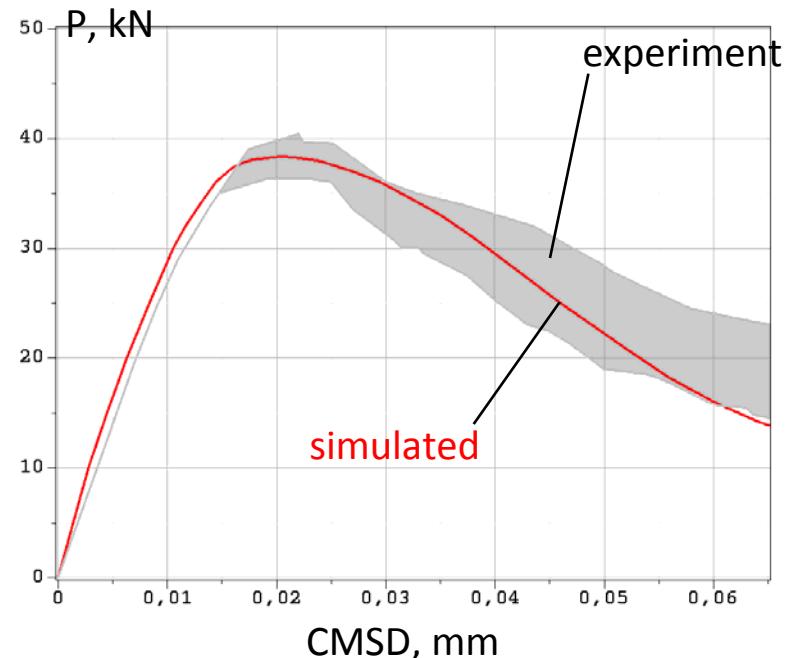


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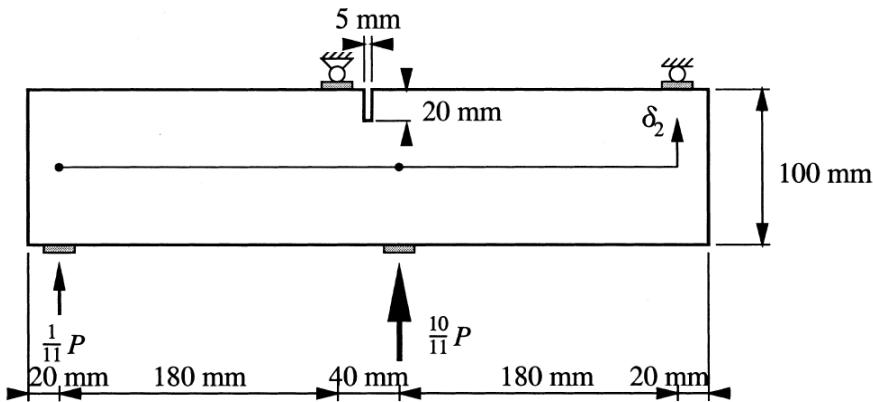
- plane-stress
- calibrated set:

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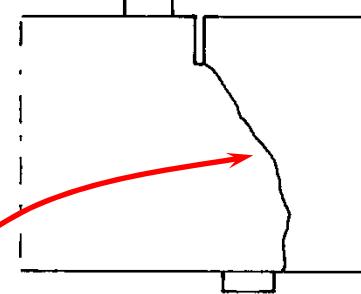


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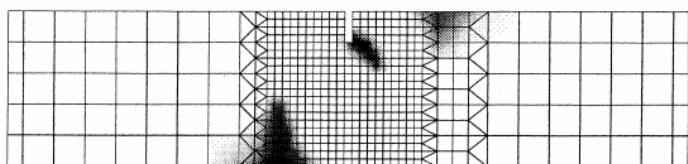
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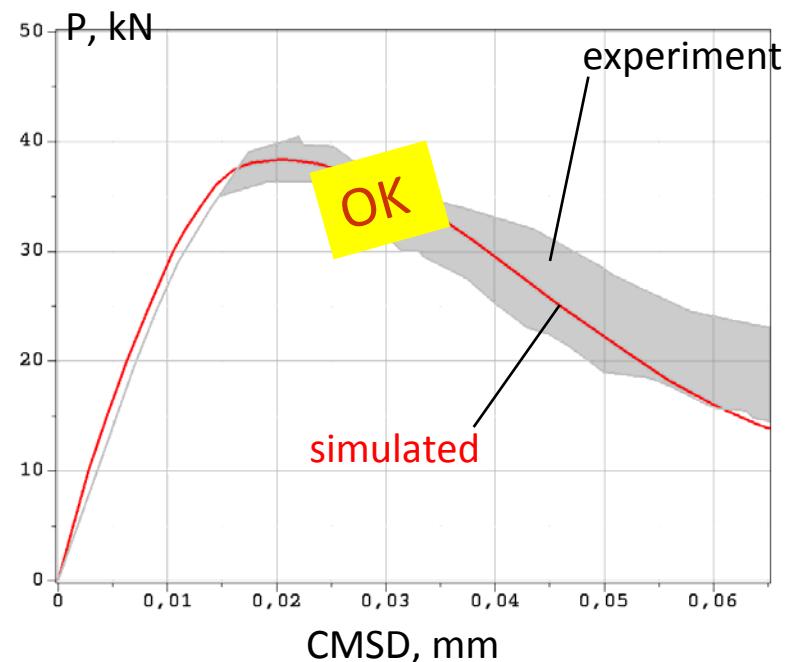
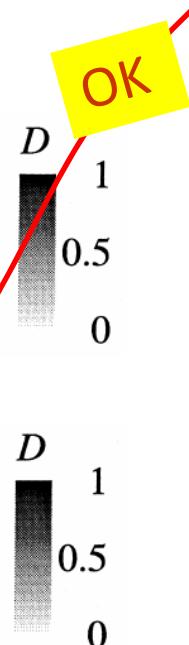
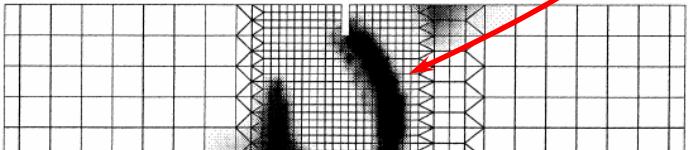
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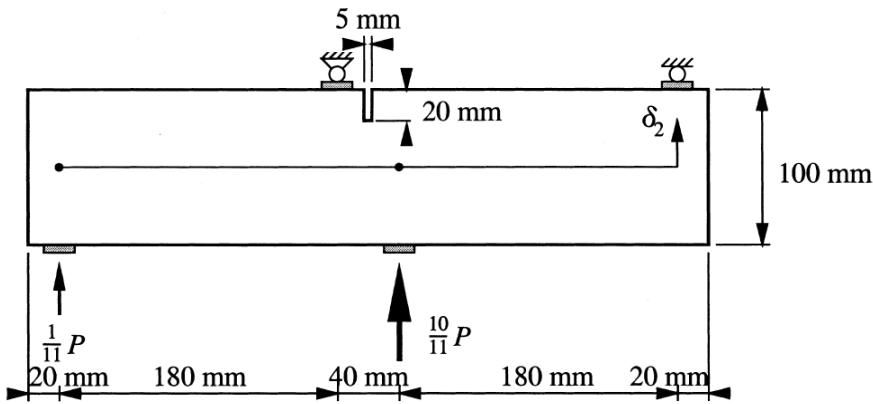


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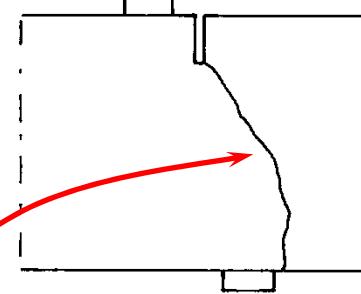


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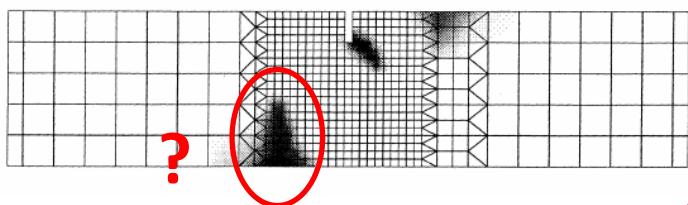
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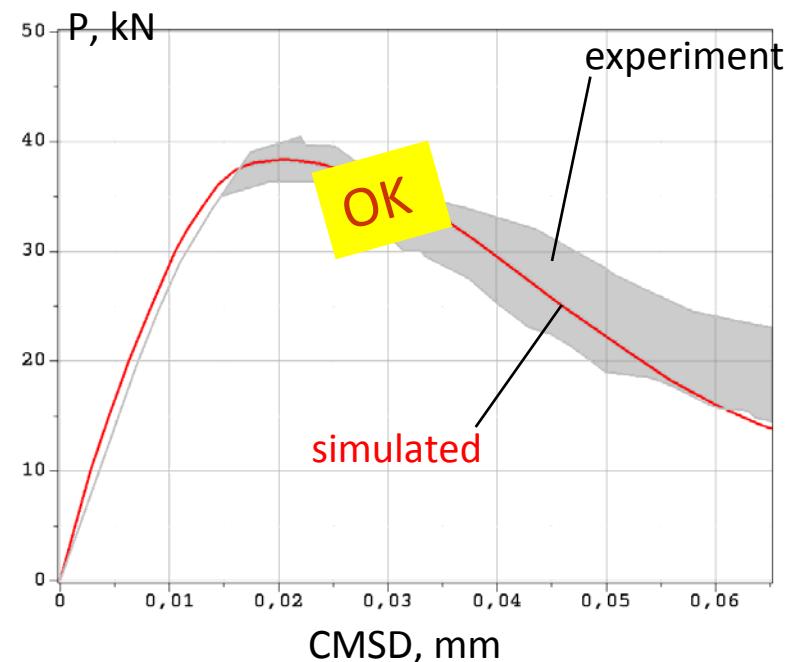
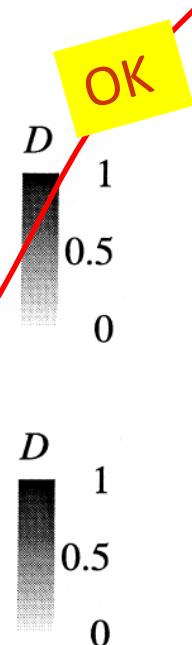
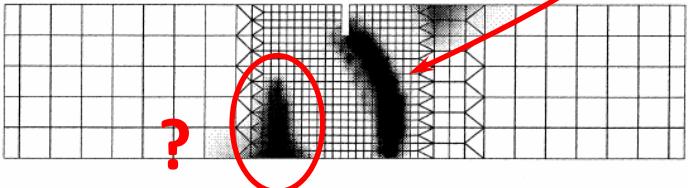
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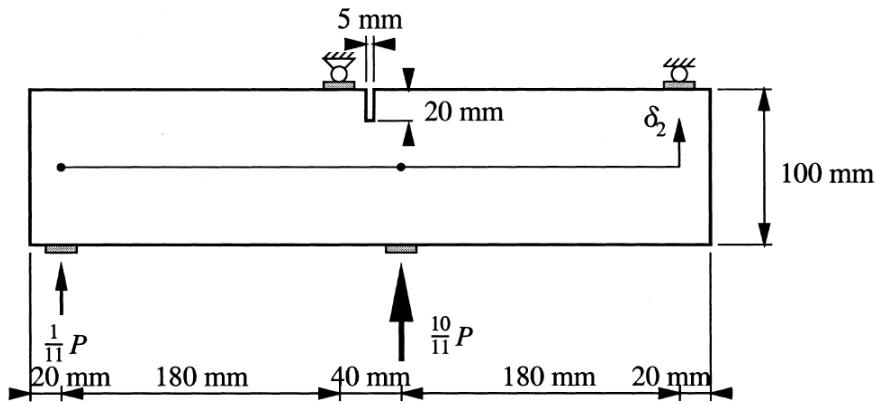


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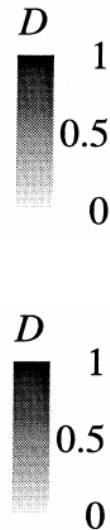
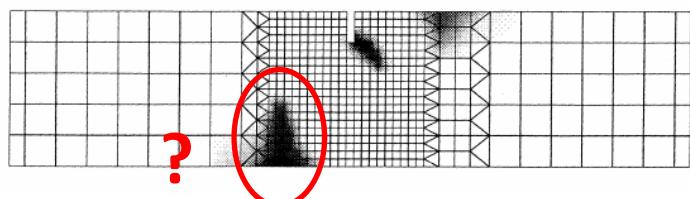


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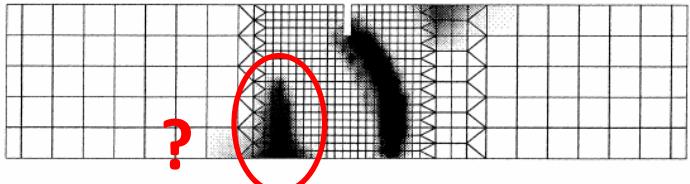
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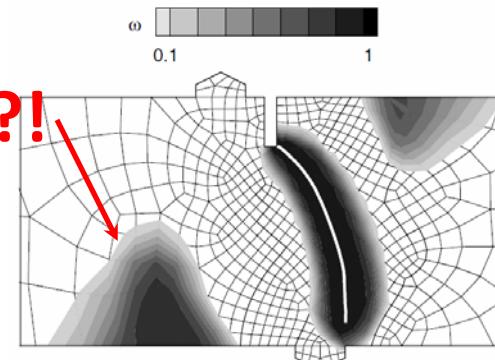
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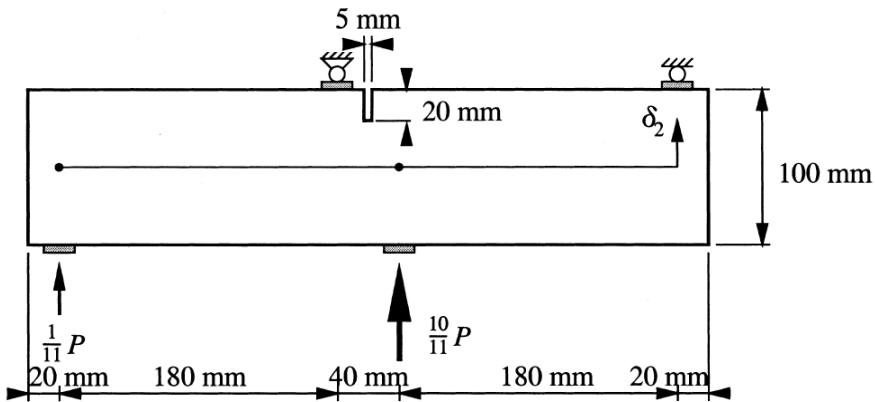


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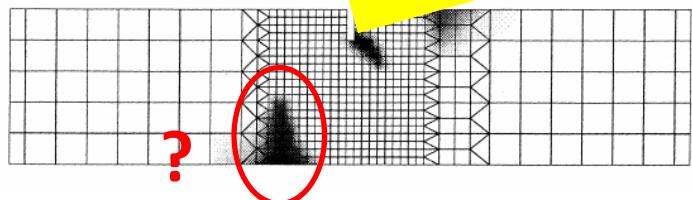


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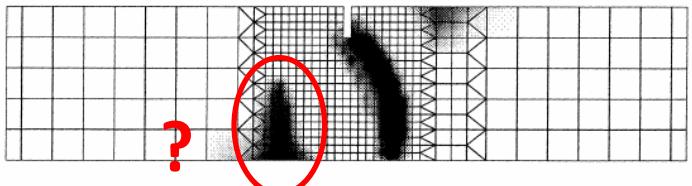
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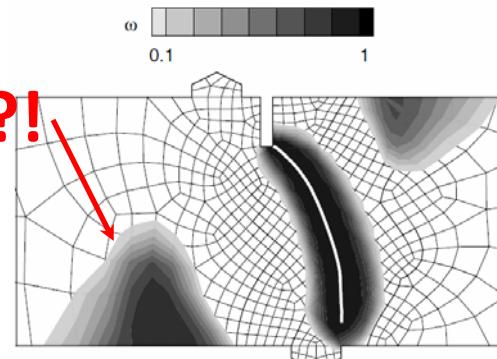


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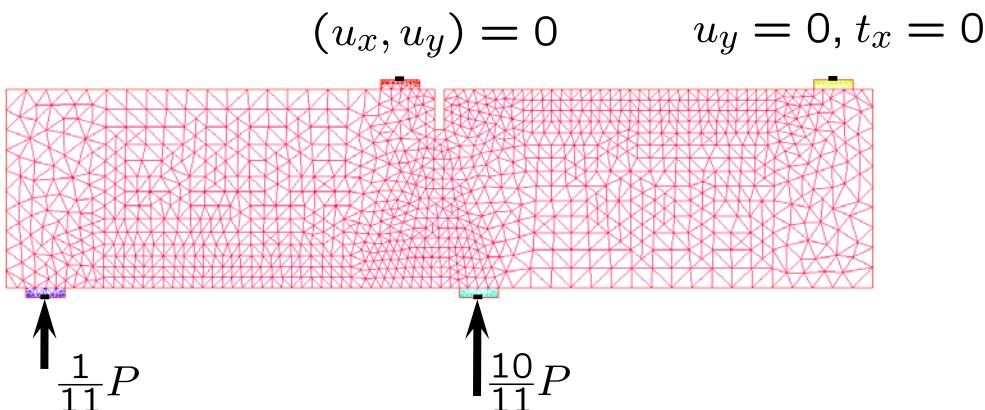


"spurious" damage zone – due to non-optimal mesh?

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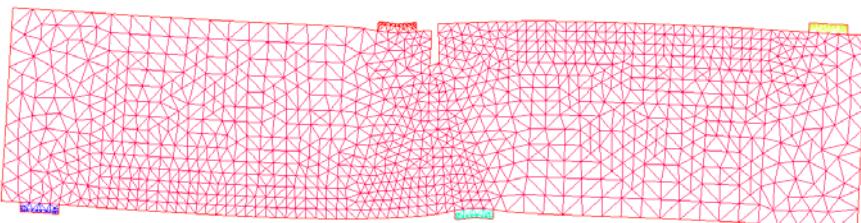
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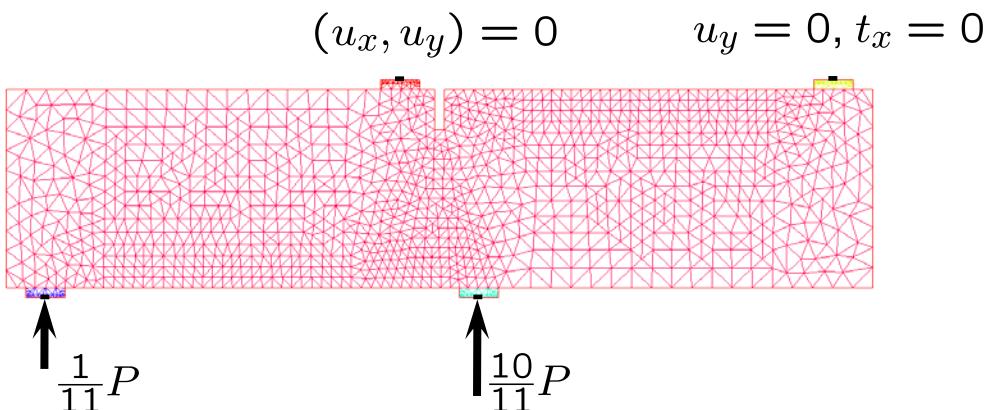
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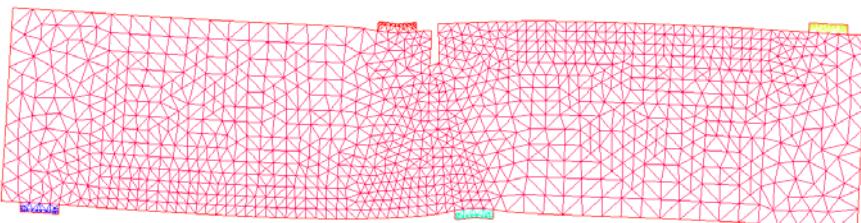
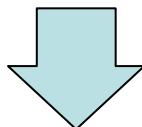


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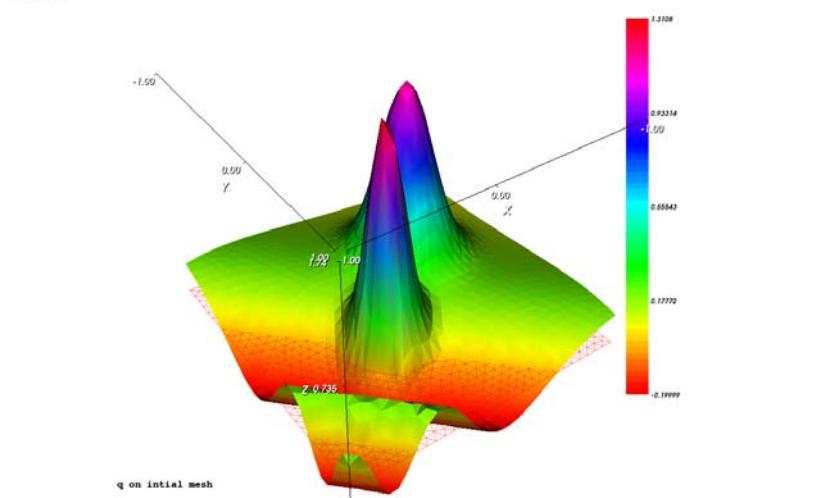
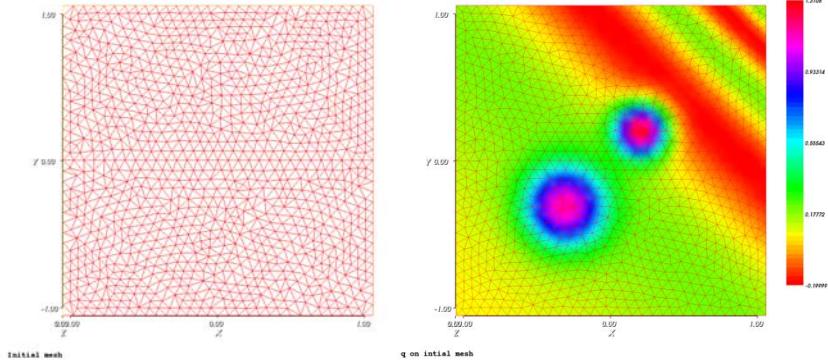
and, in our case,

- P1-triangles for both variables ( $\mathbf{u}, \bar{\varepsilon}$ )
- Mesh adaptivity

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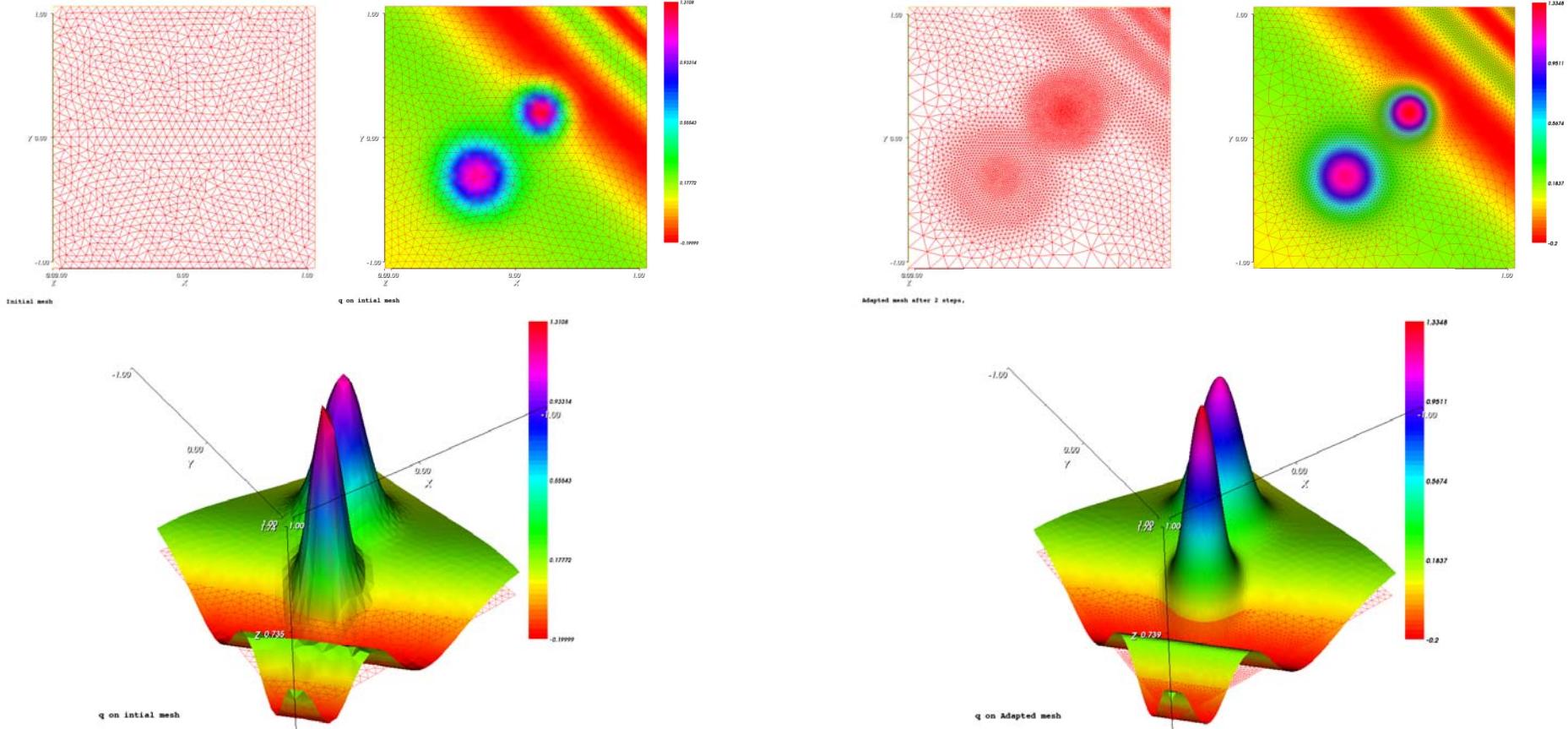
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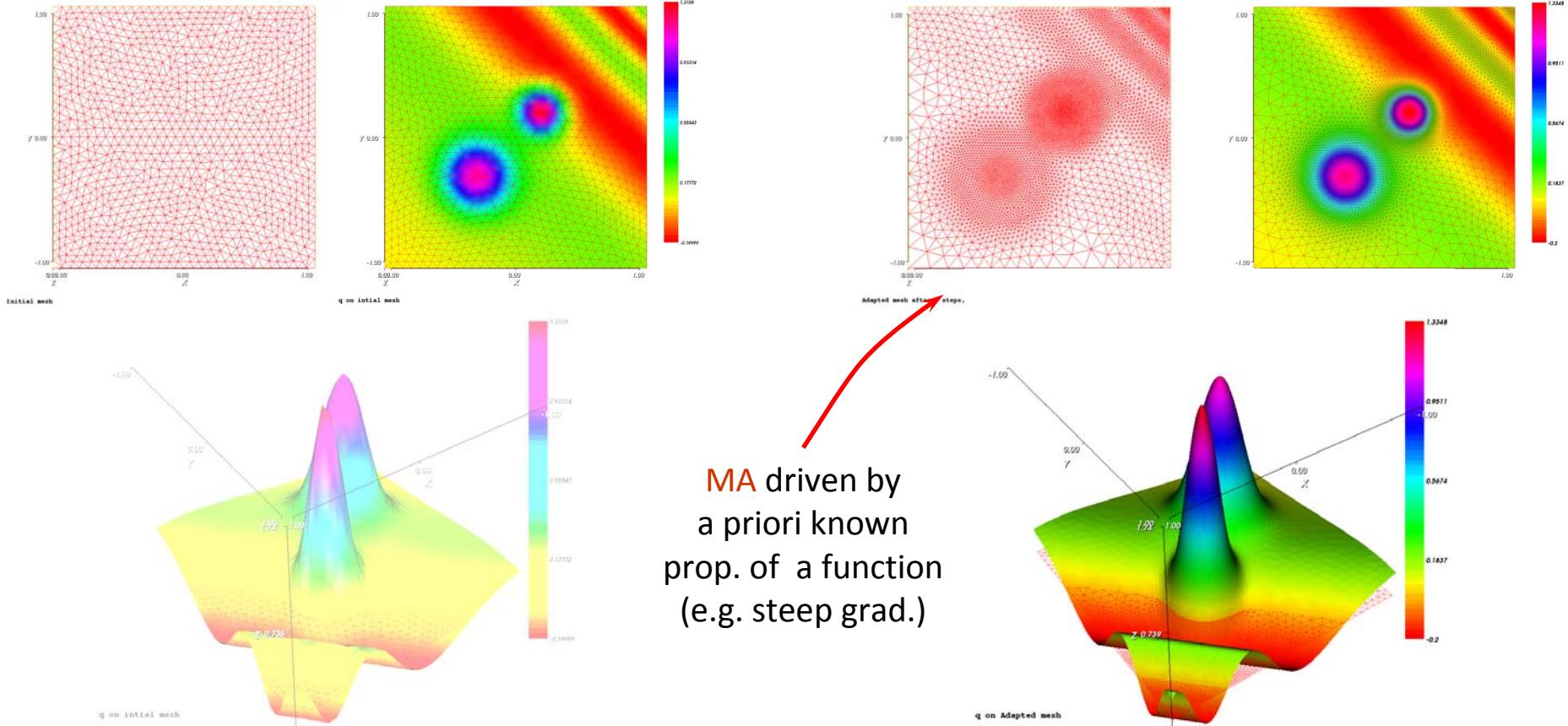
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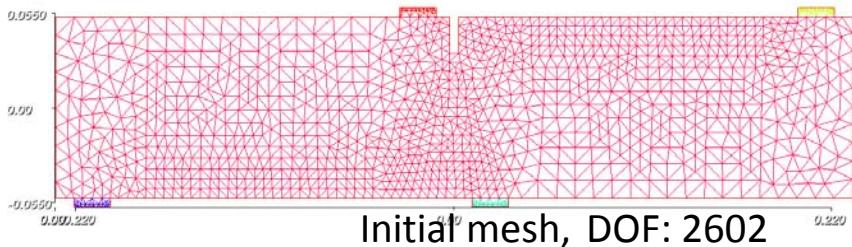
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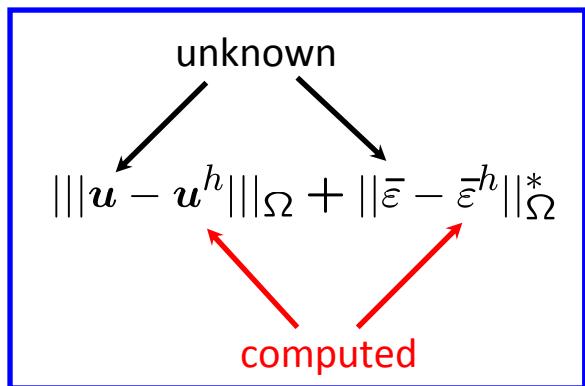
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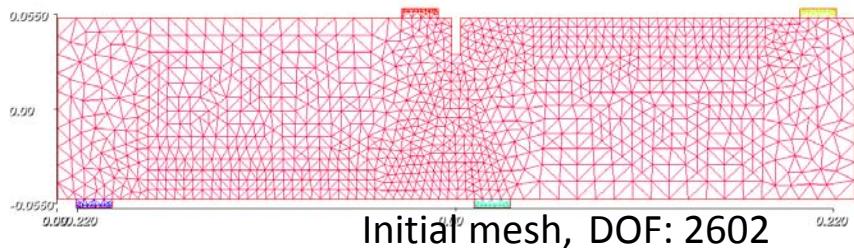
Discretization Error:



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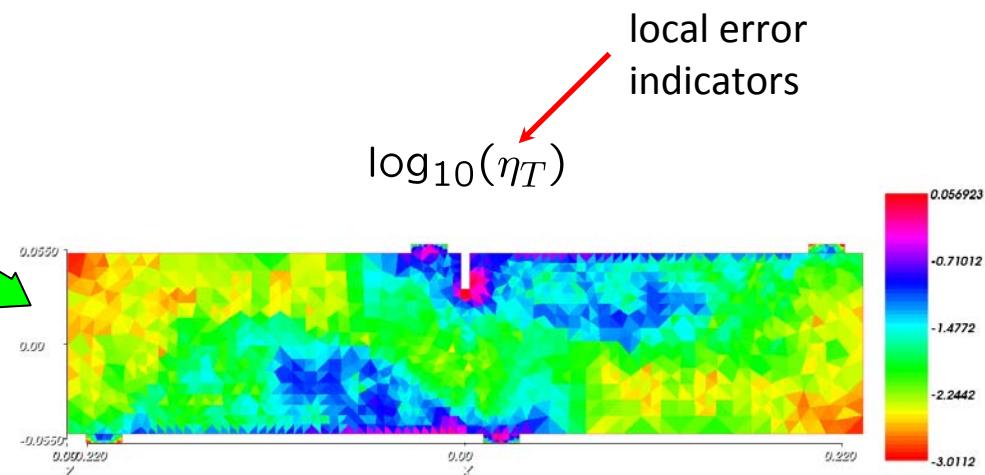
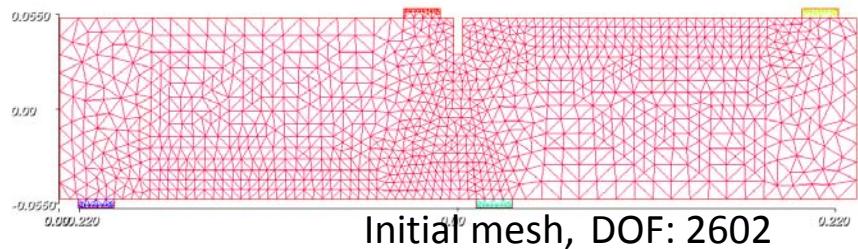
unknown

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computed

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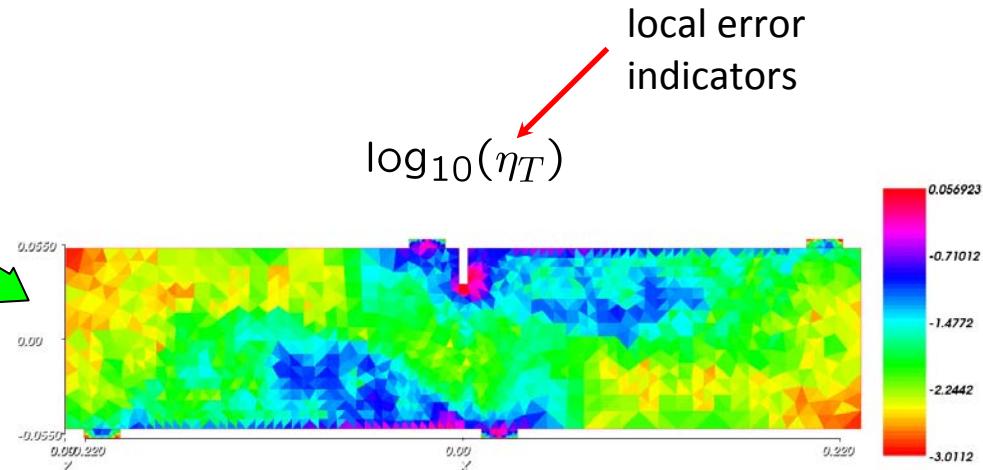
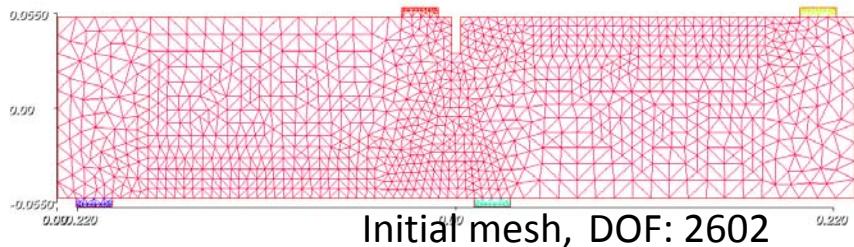
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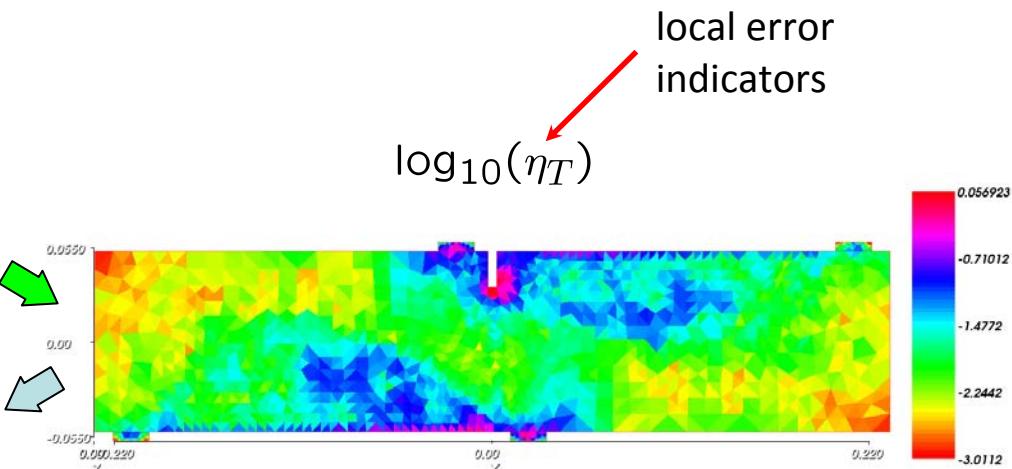
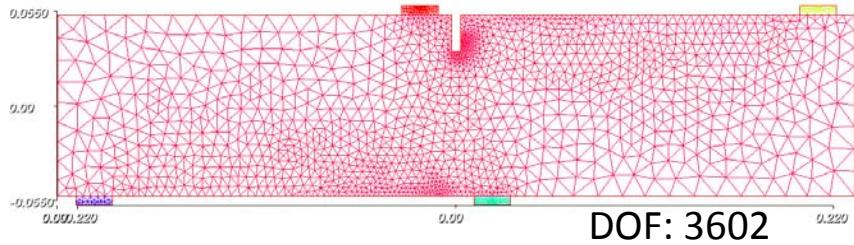
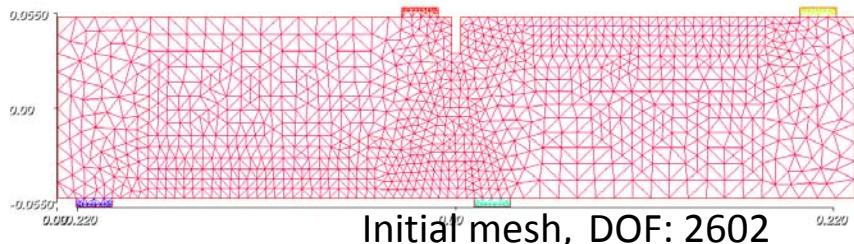
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MA driven by  
known local errors  $\eta_T$

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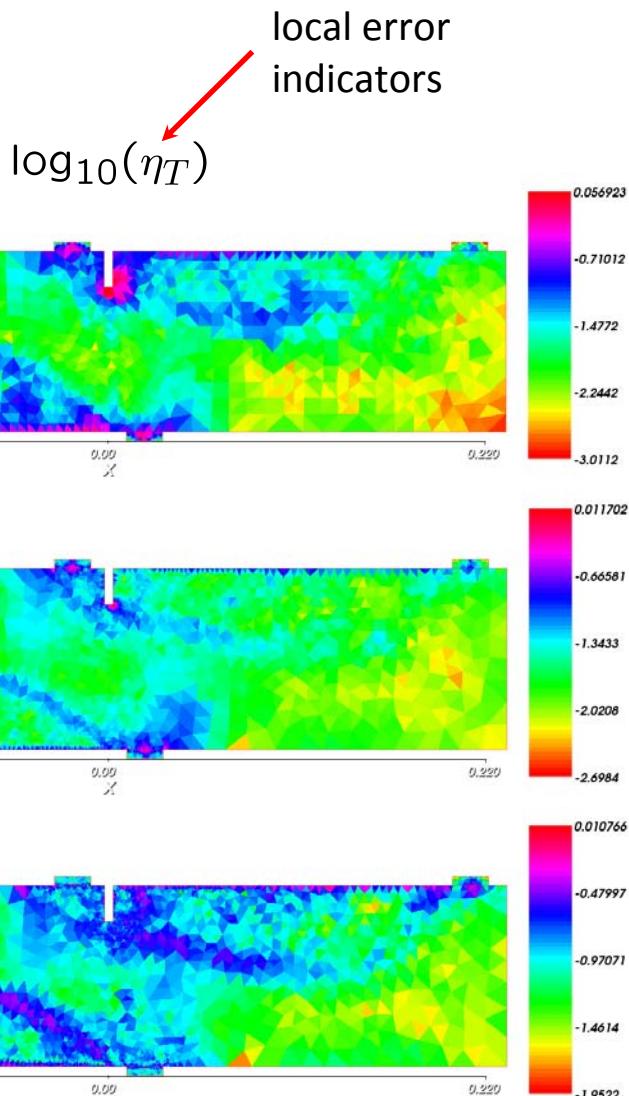
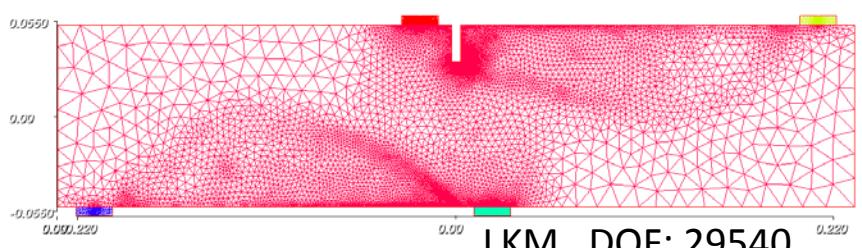
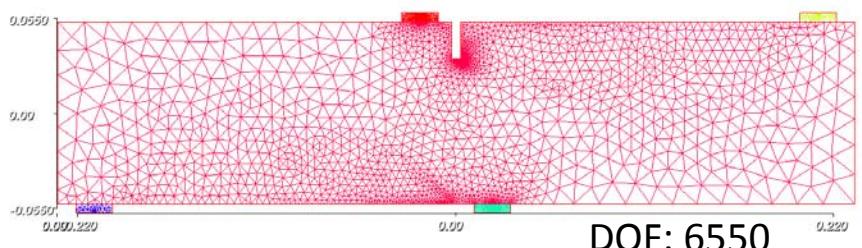
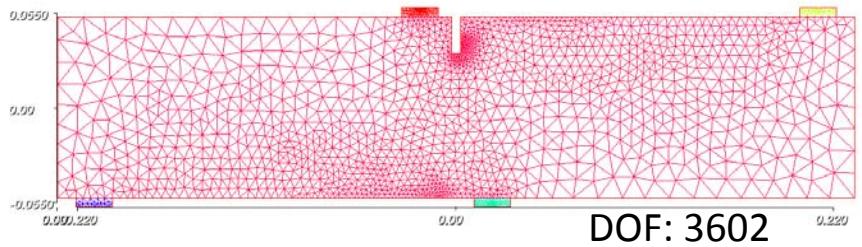
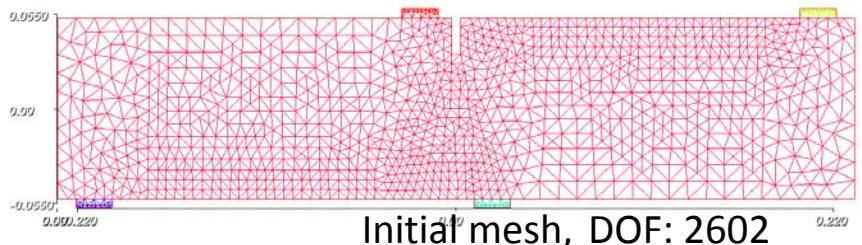
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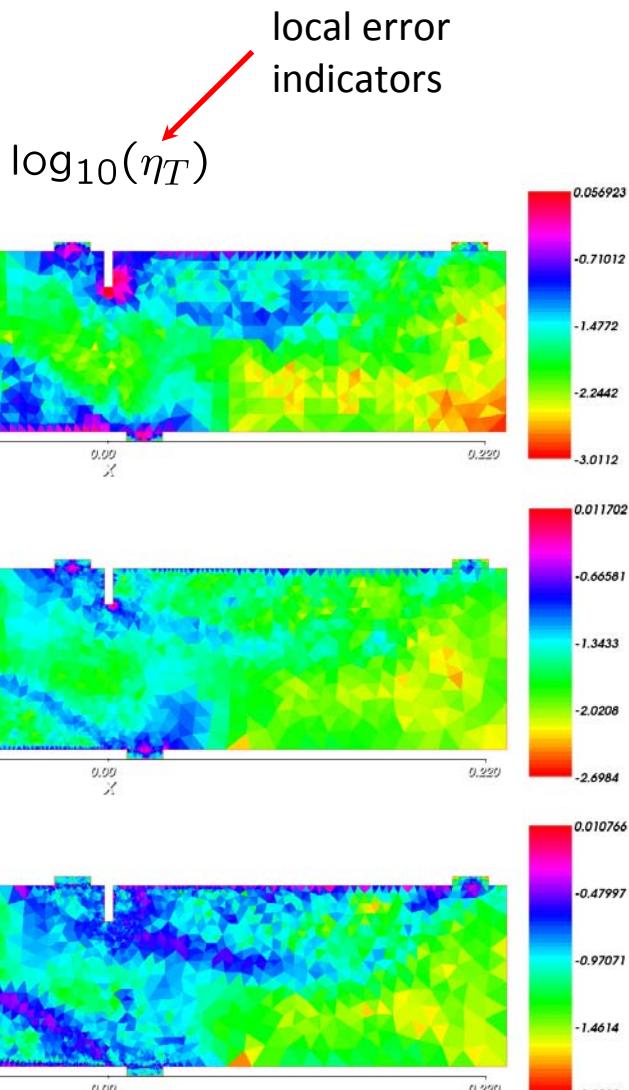
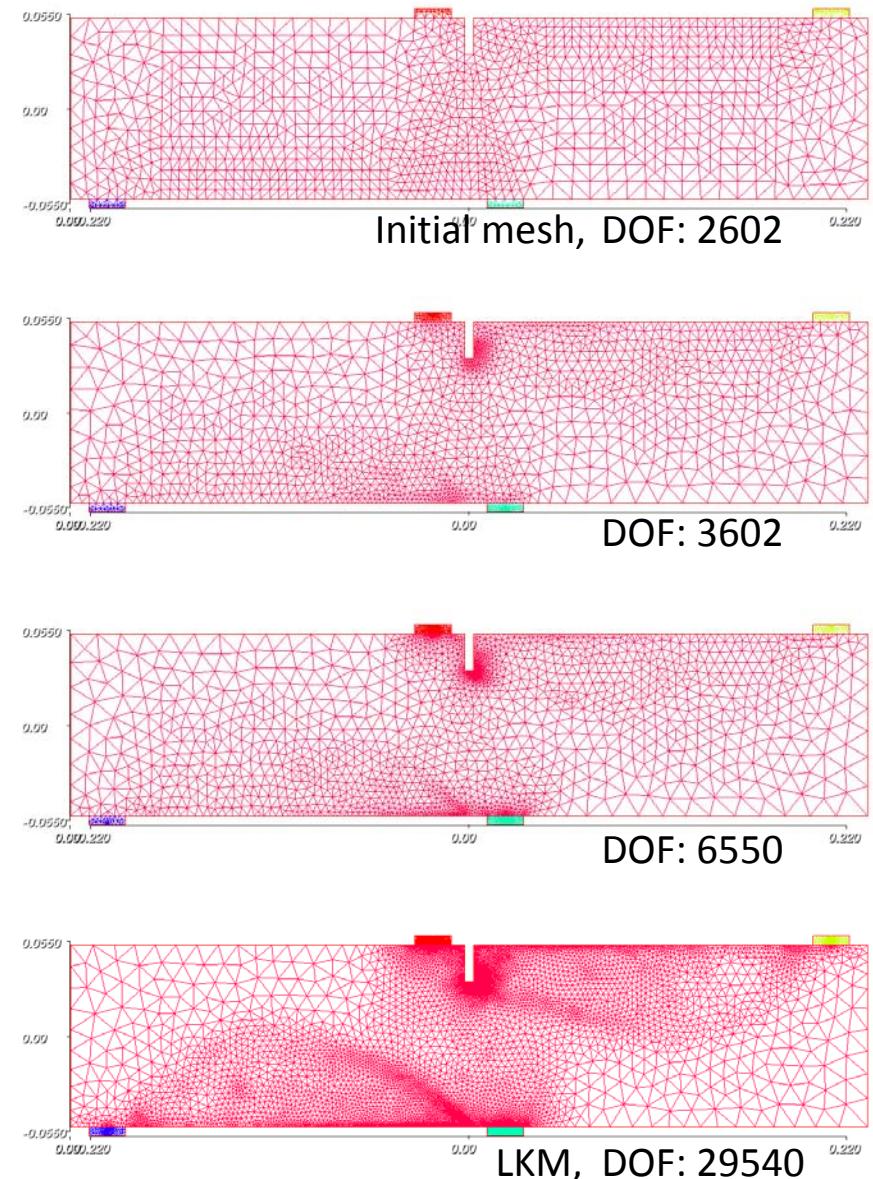
MA driven by  
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$$h_1(x) = \frac{h_0(x)}{f(\eta_T)}$$

## Intermezzo: error-controlled MA



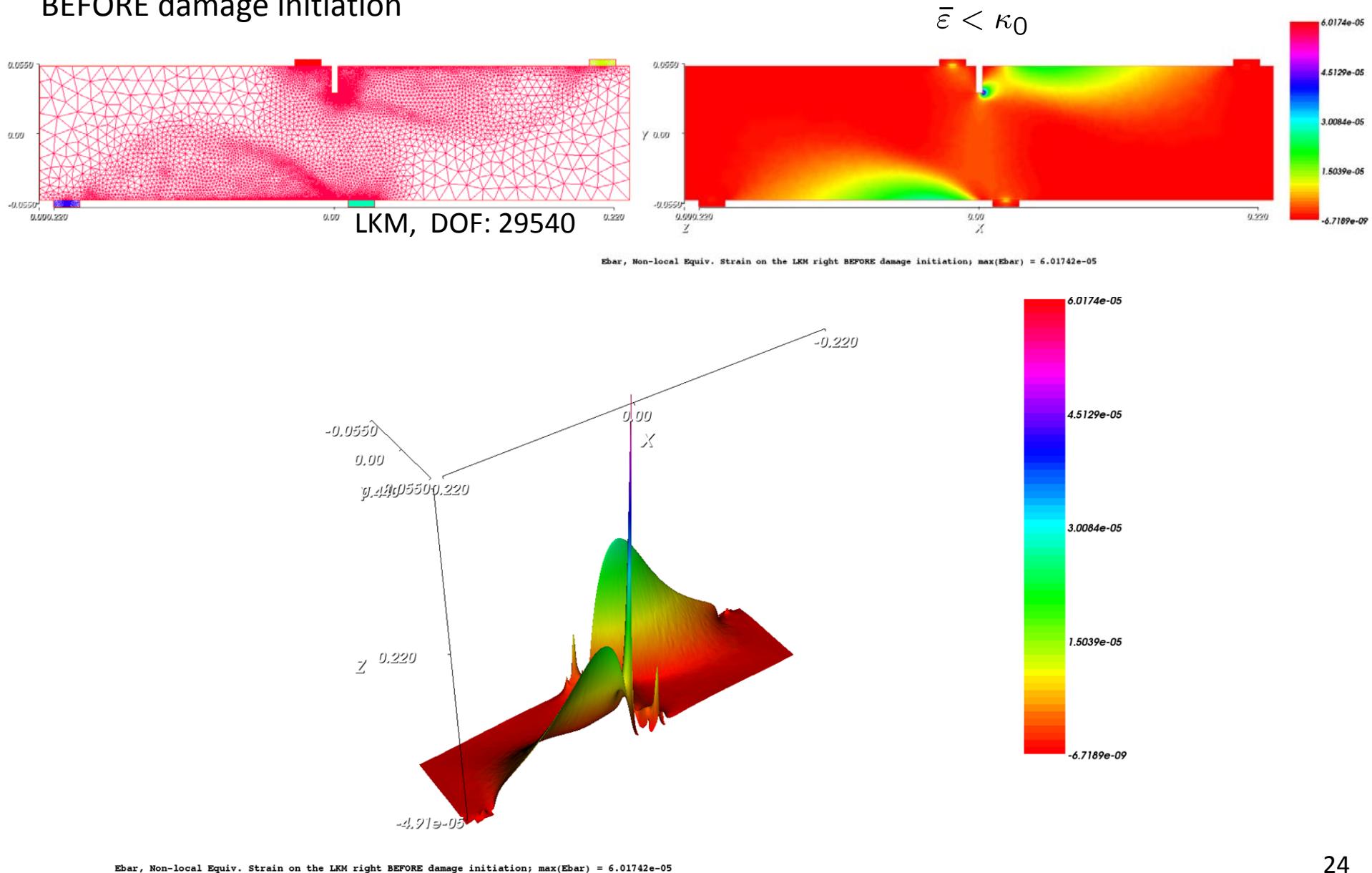
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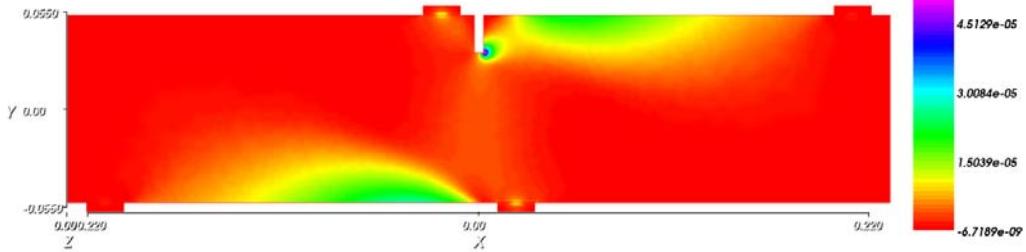
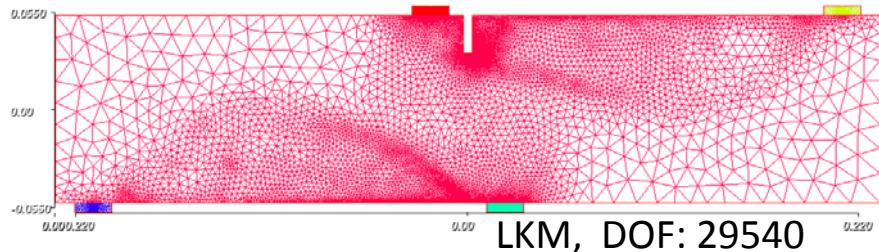
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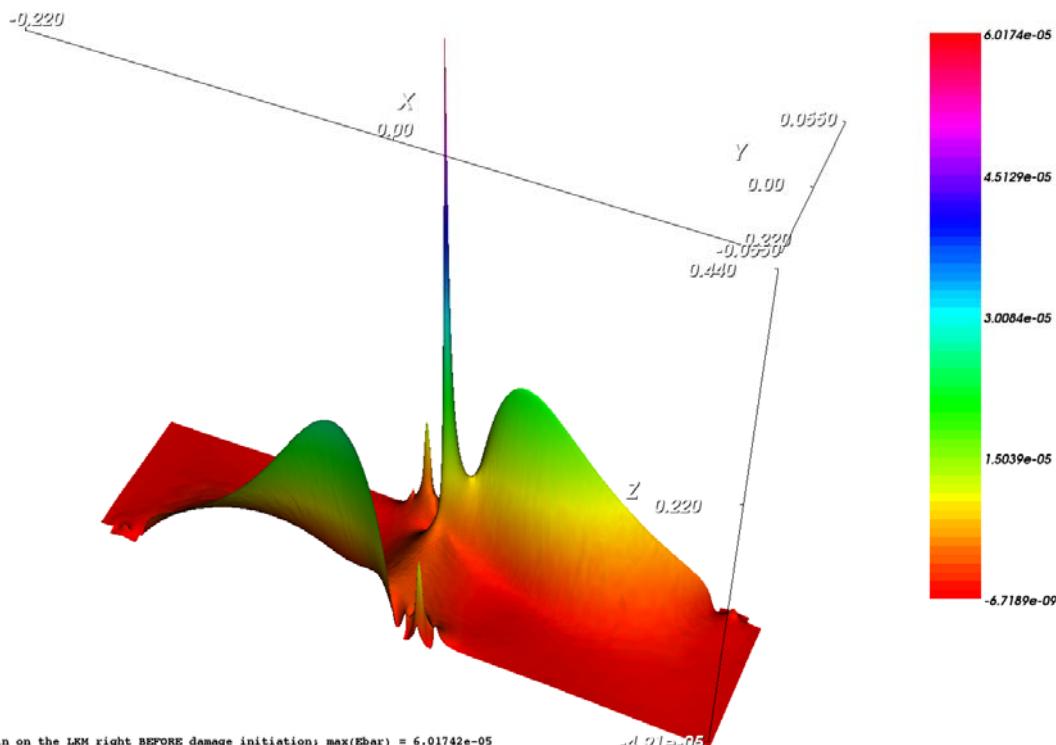
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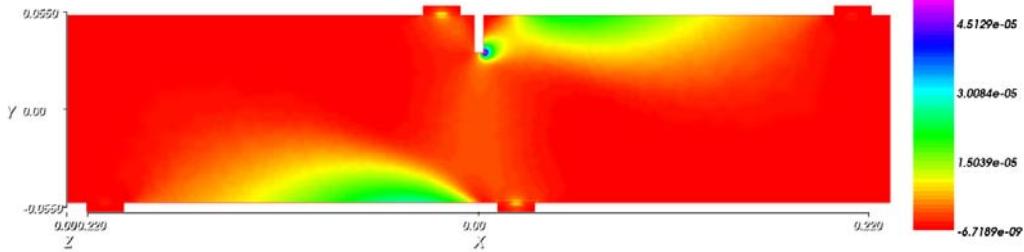
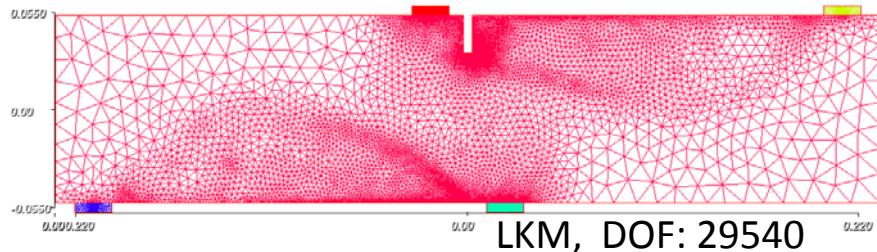
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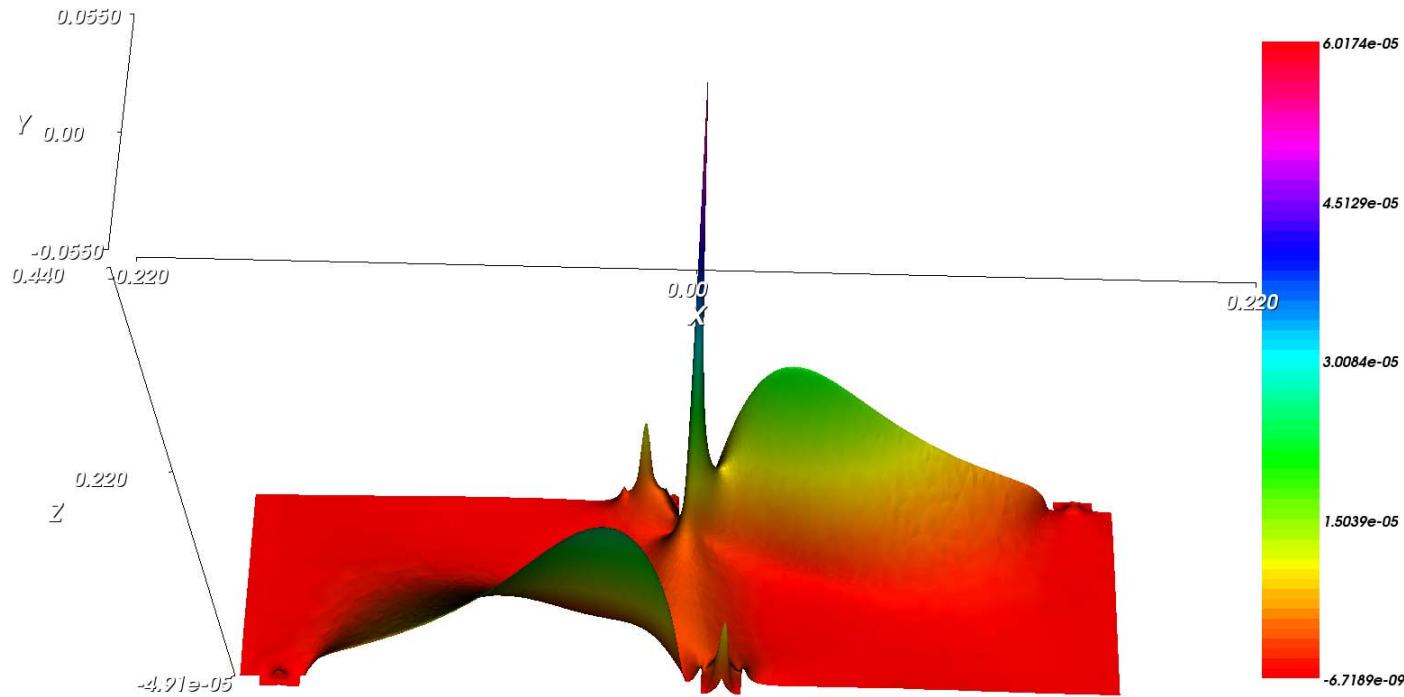
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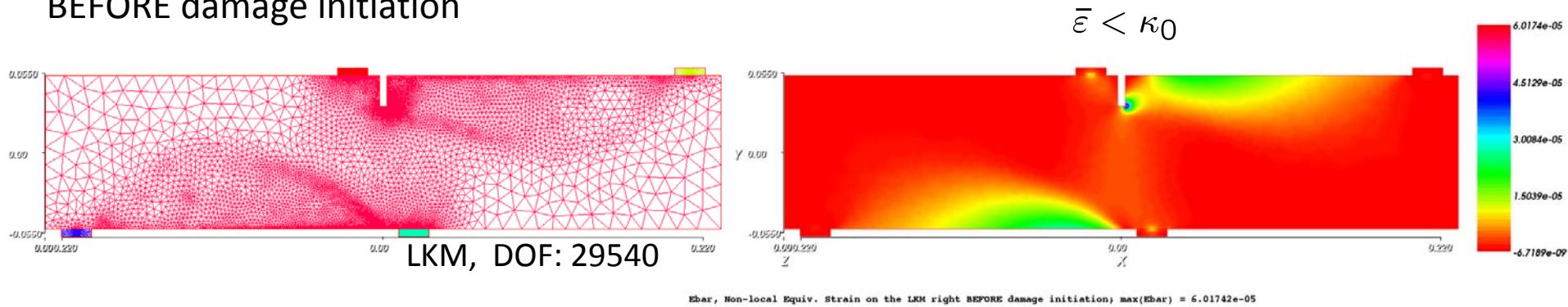
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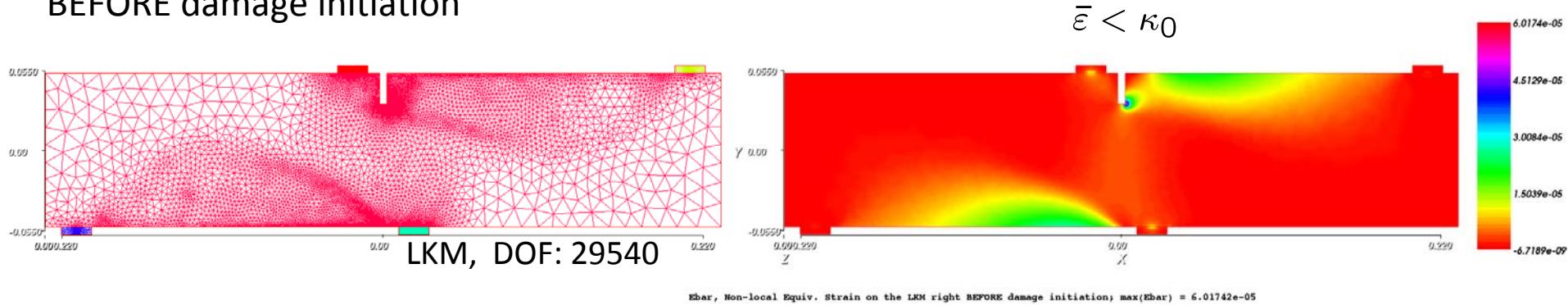
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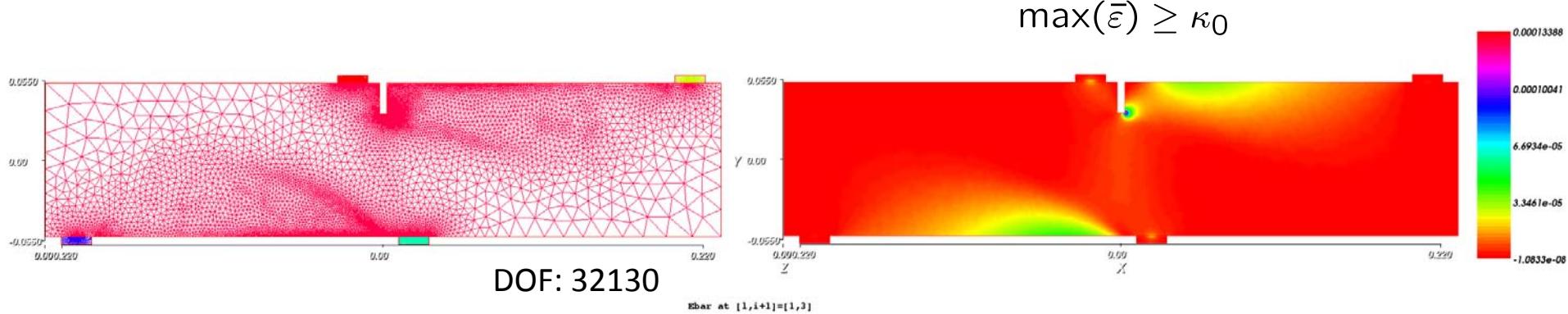
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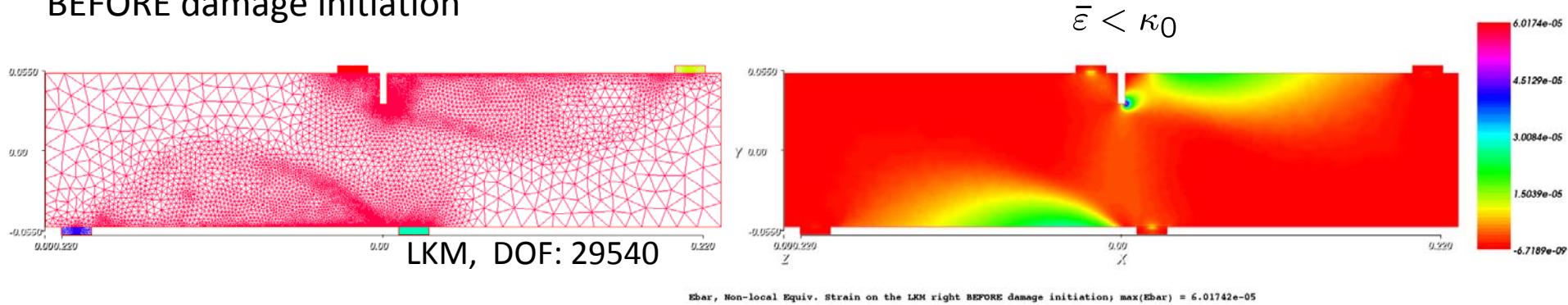
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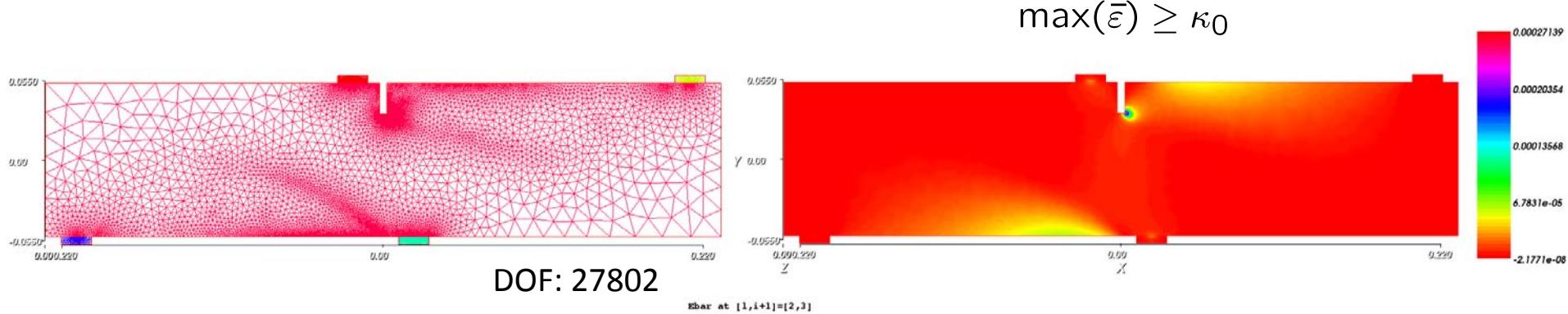
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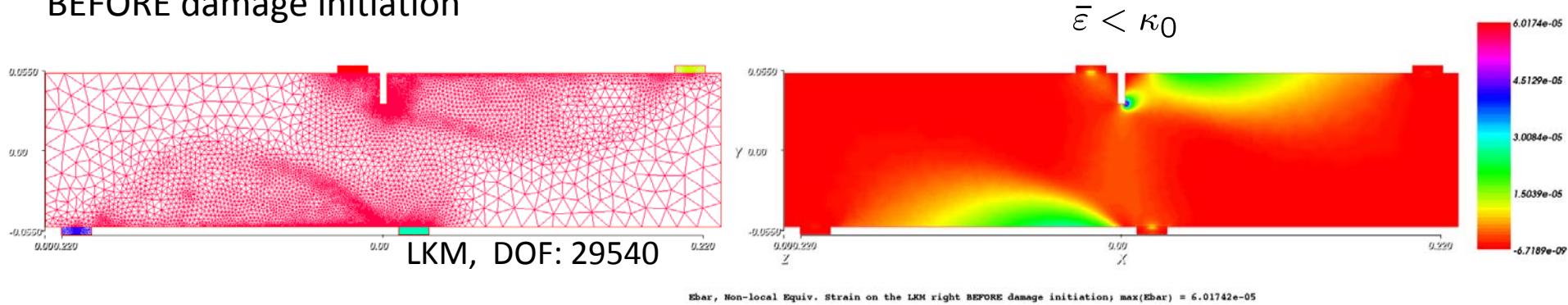
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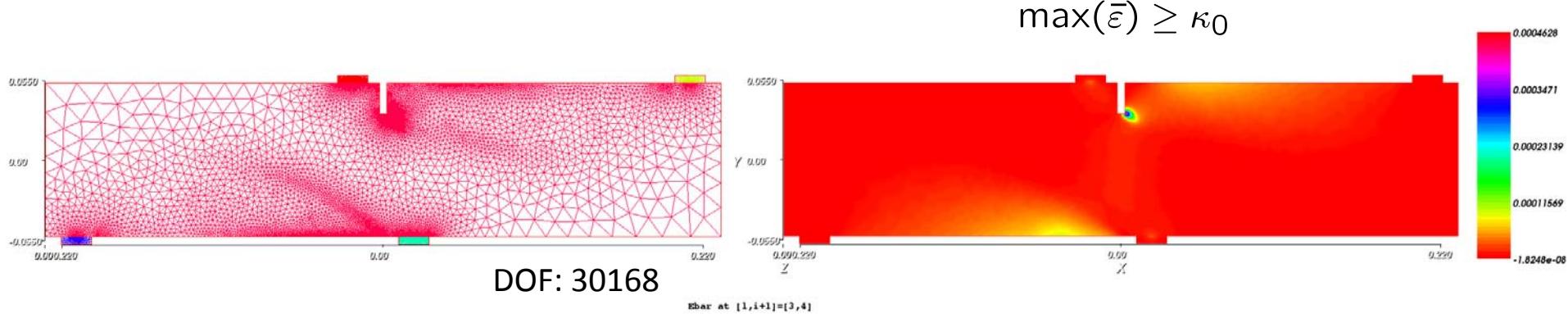
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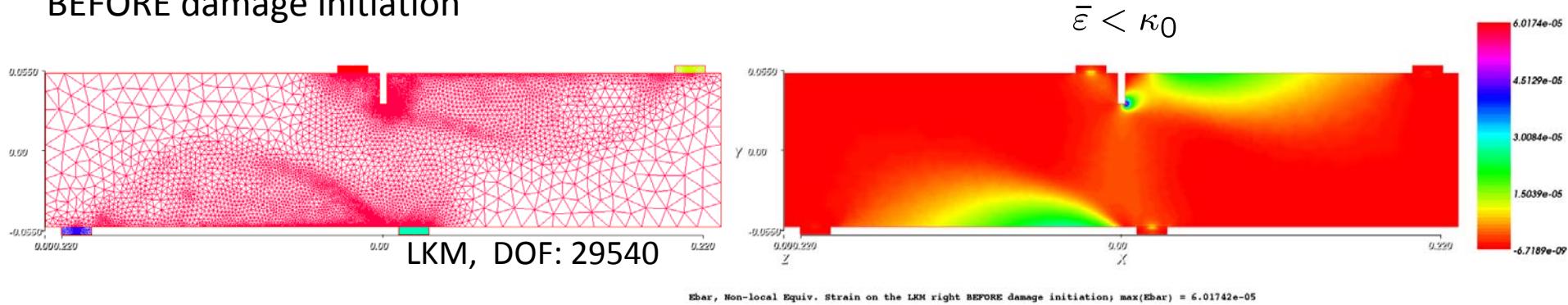
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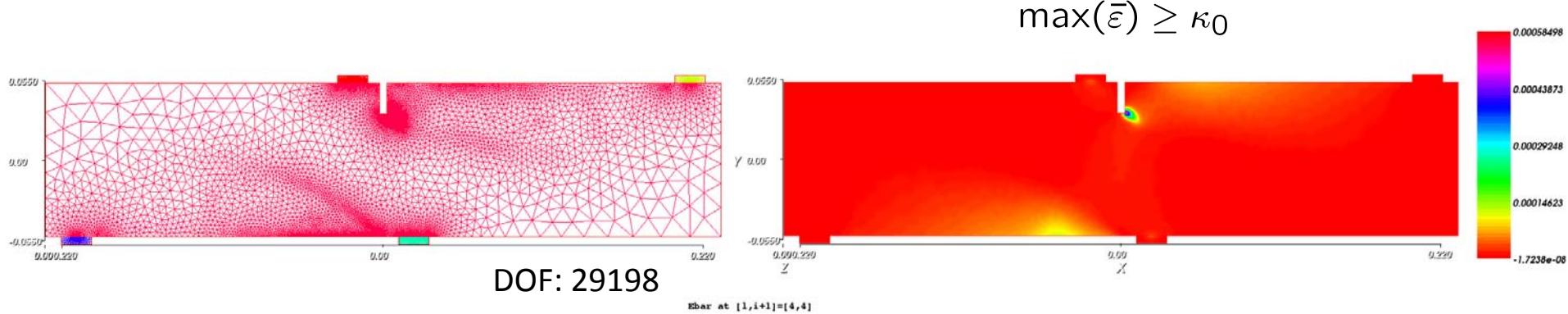
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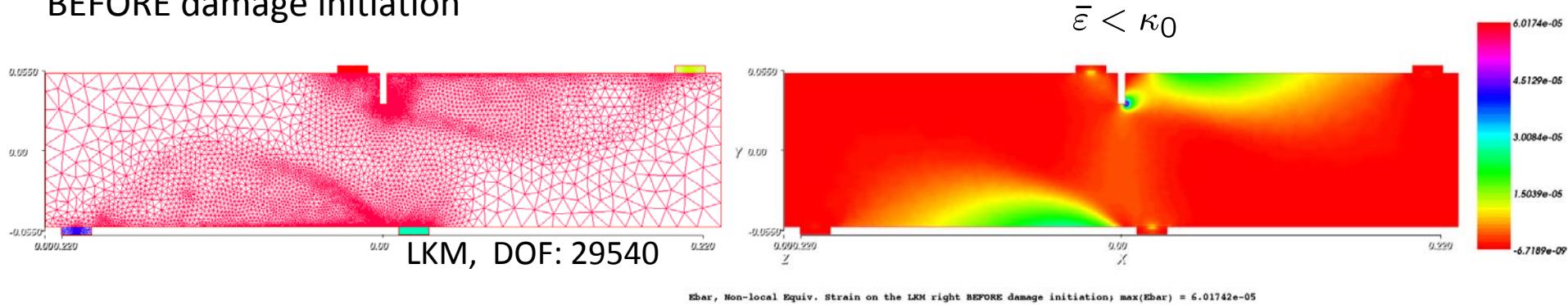
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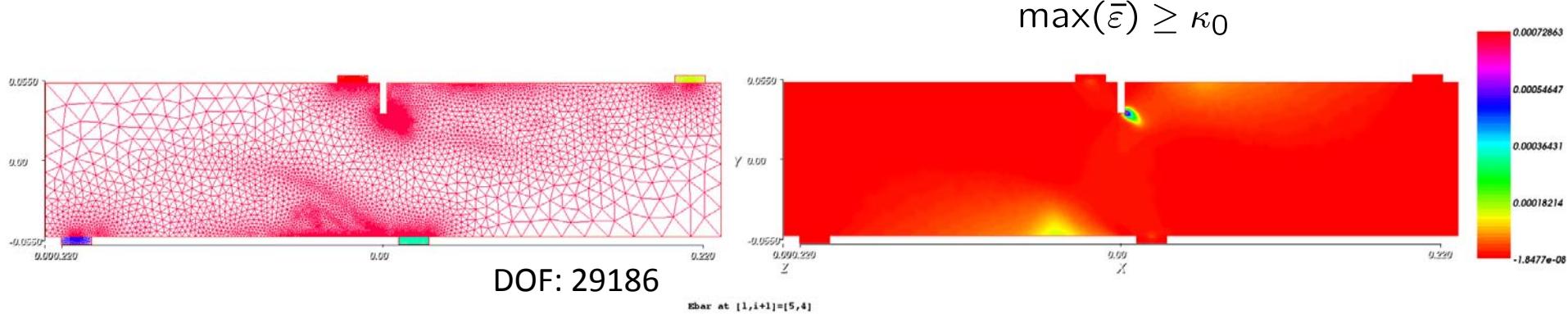
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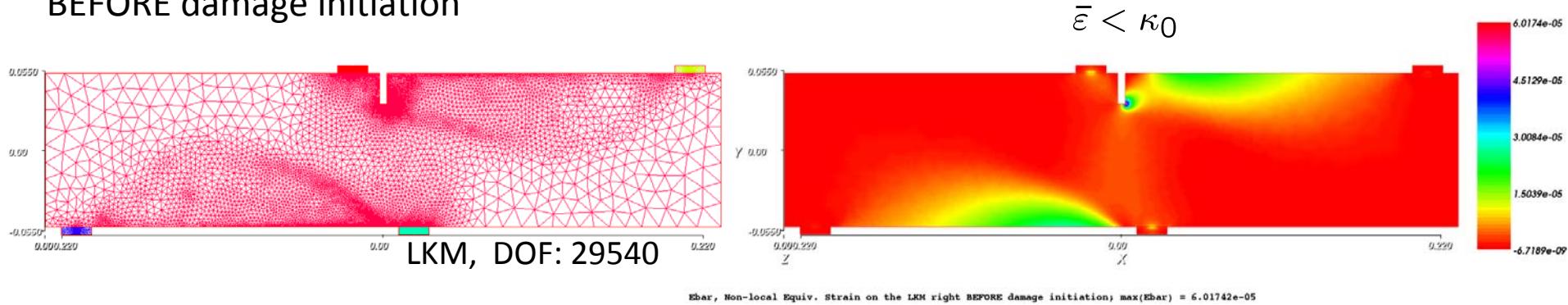
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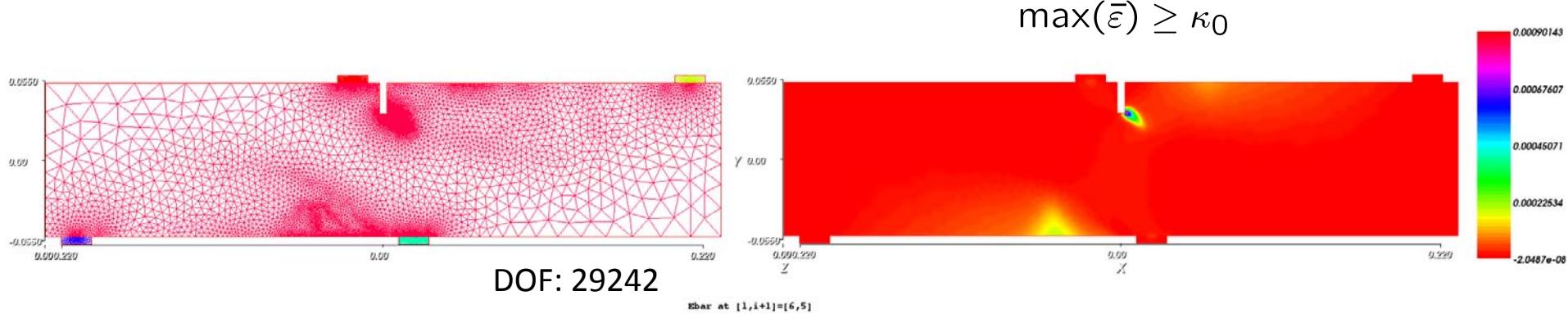
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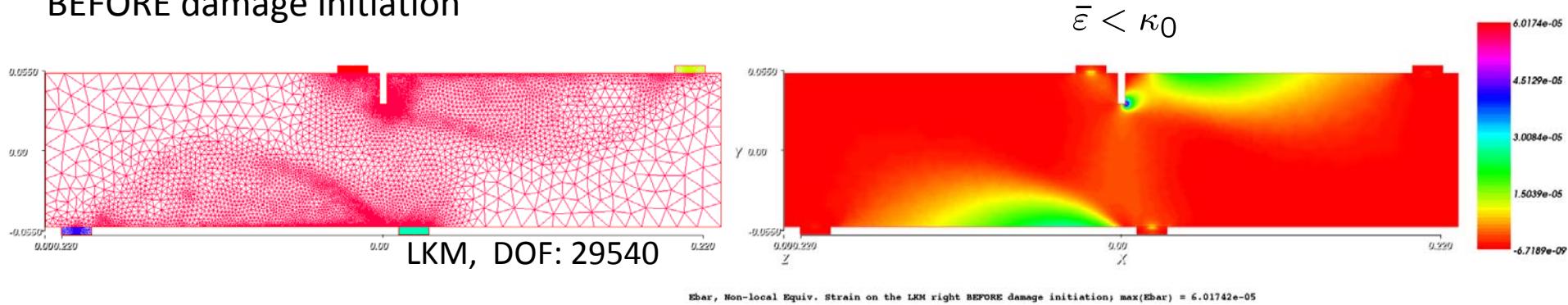
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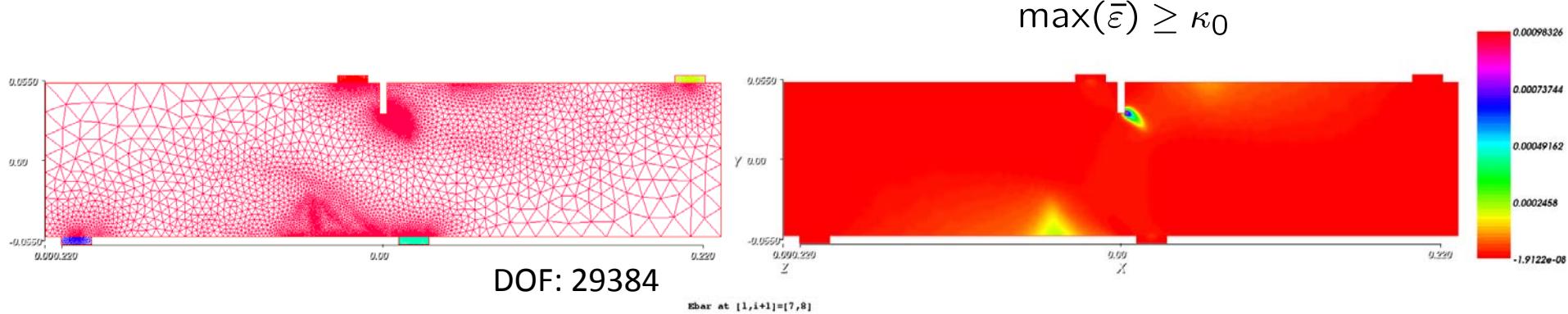
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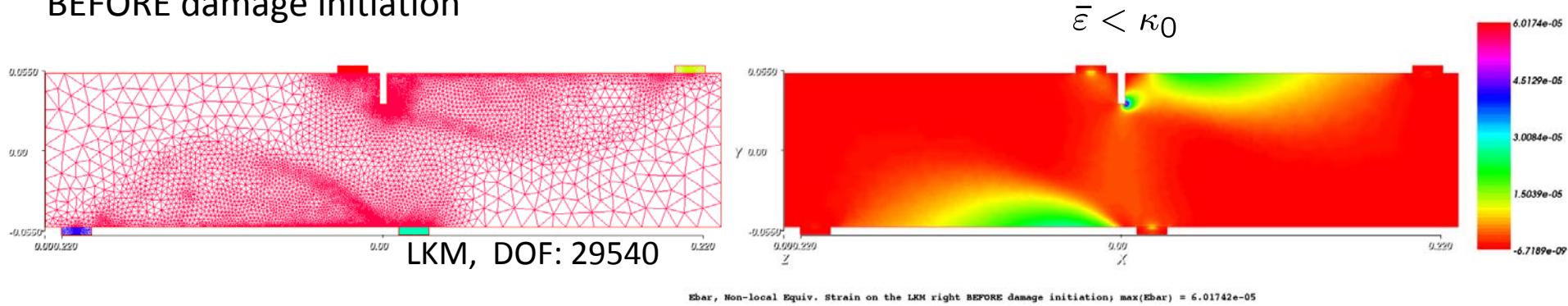
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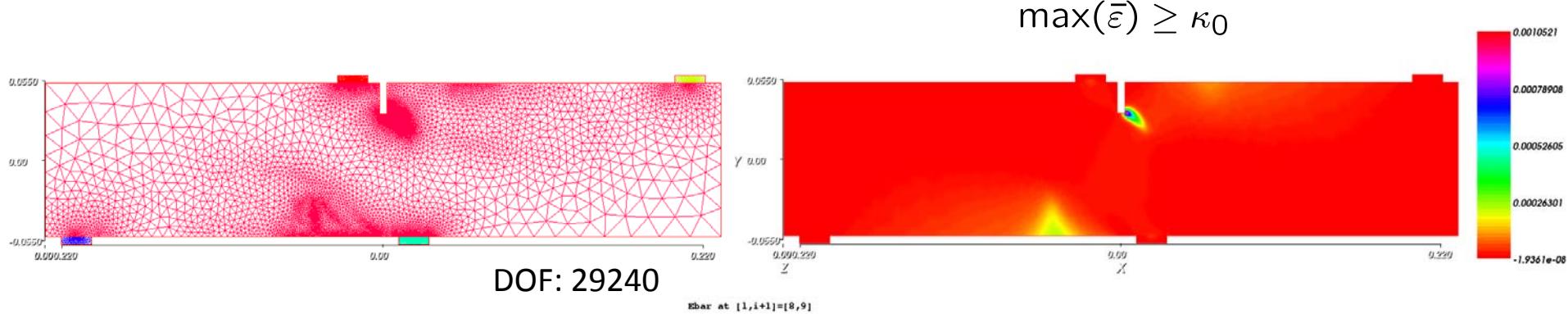
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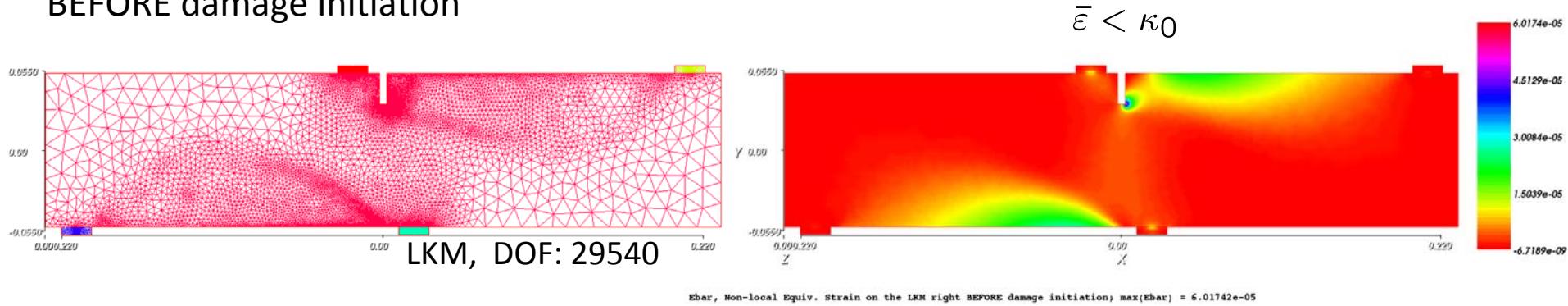
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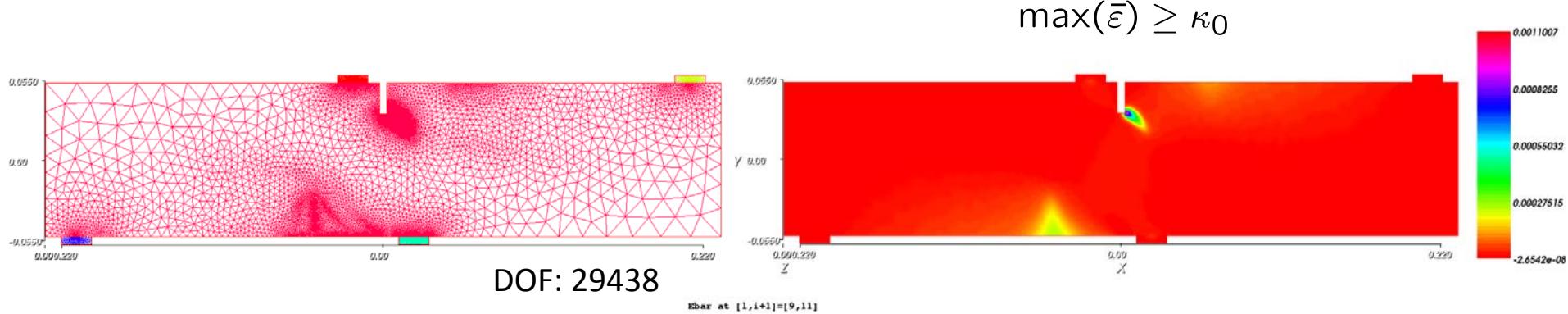
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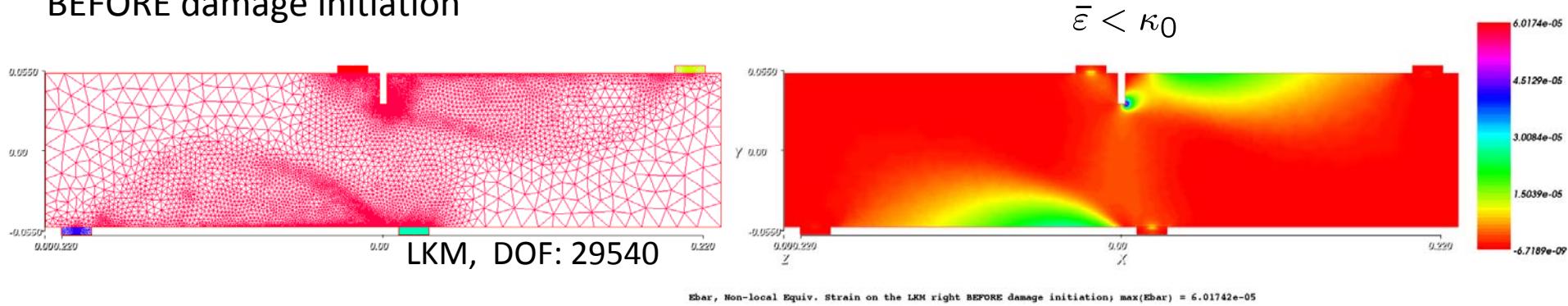
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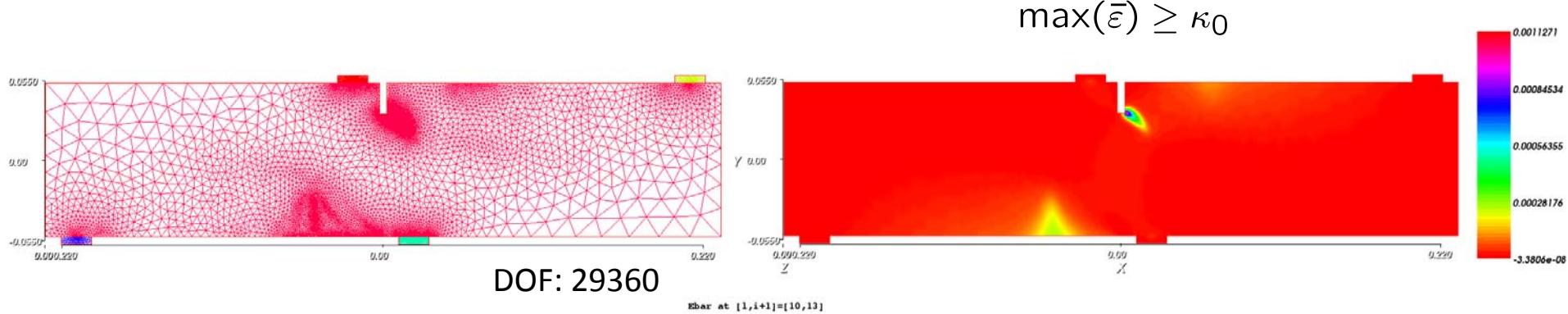
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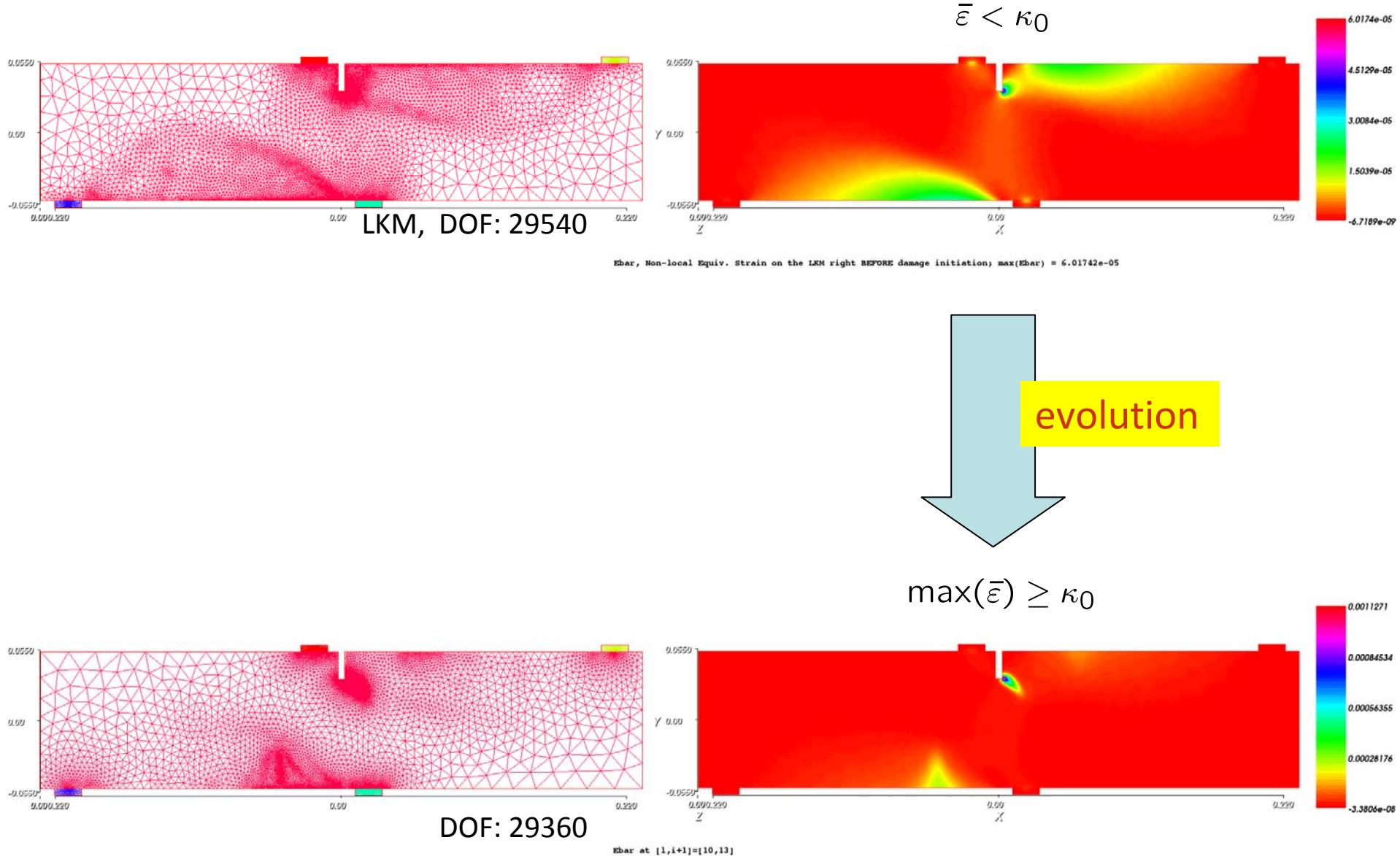


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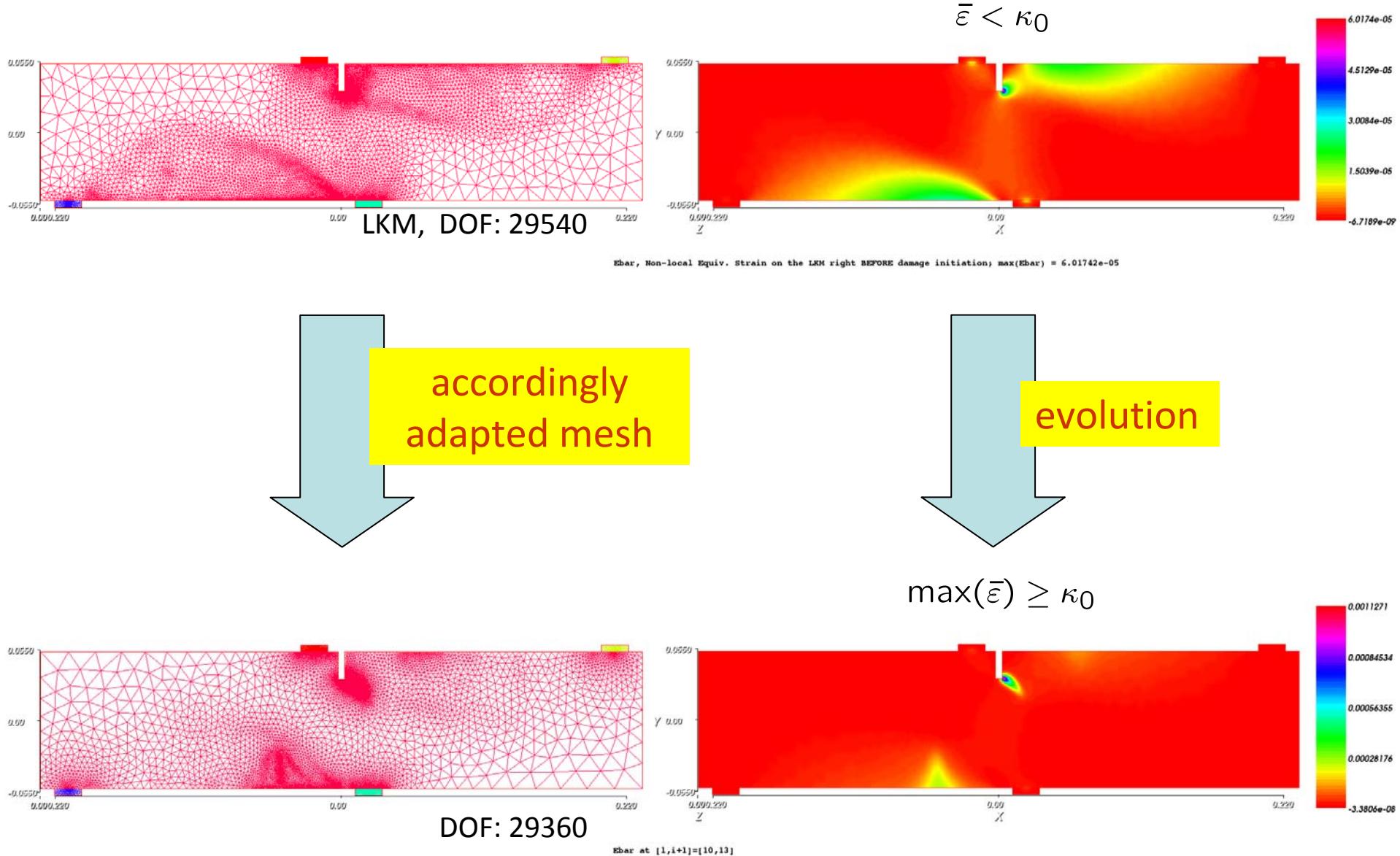
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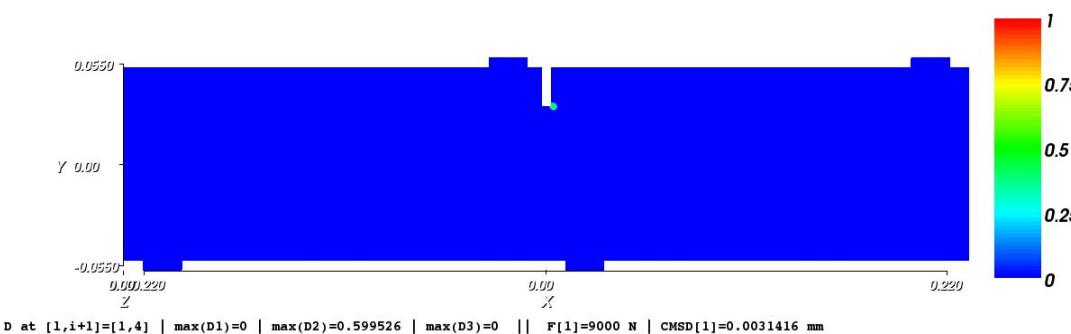
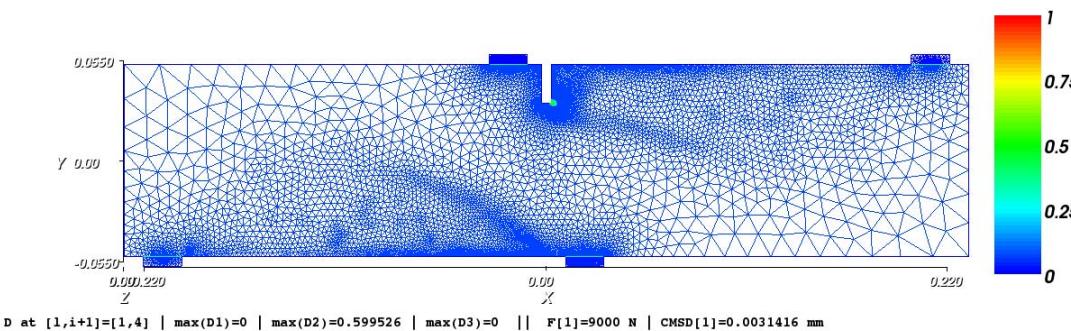
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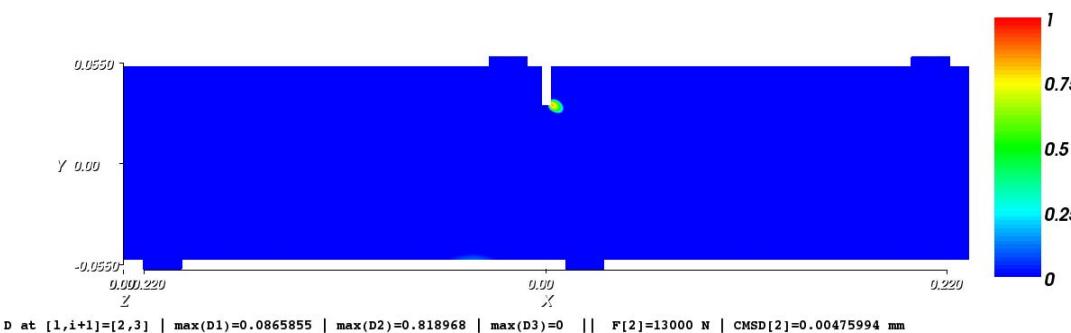
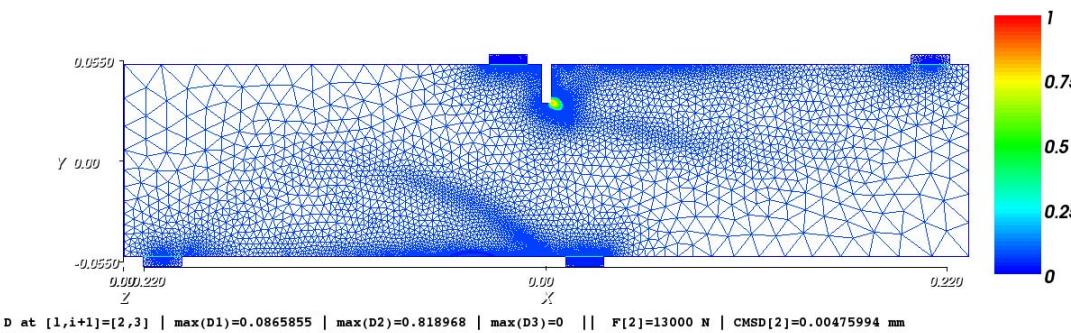
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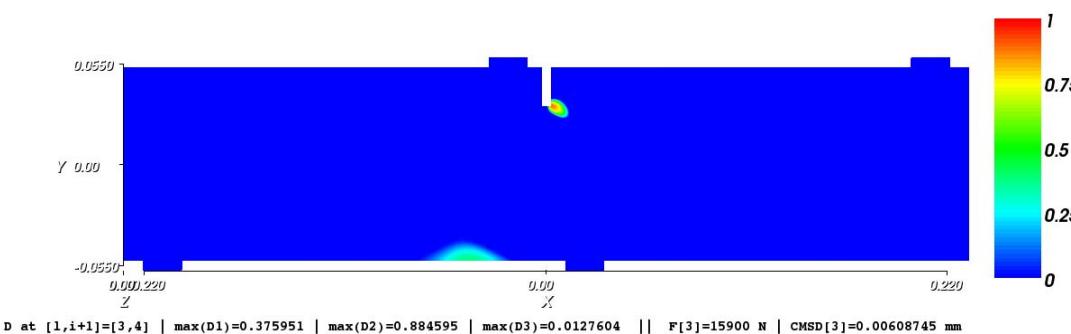
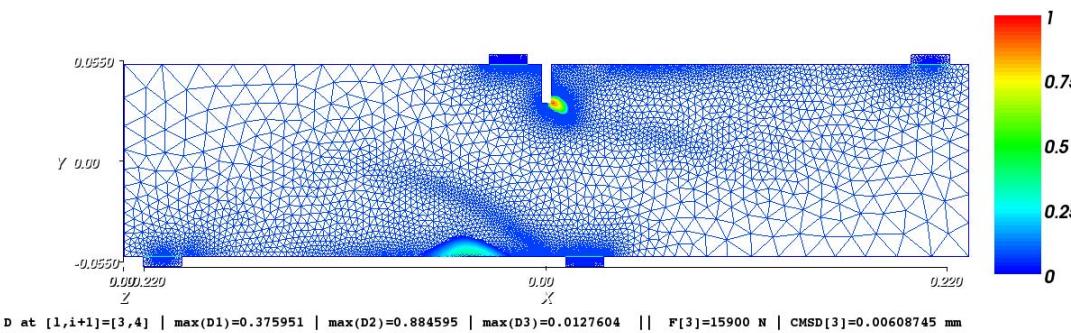
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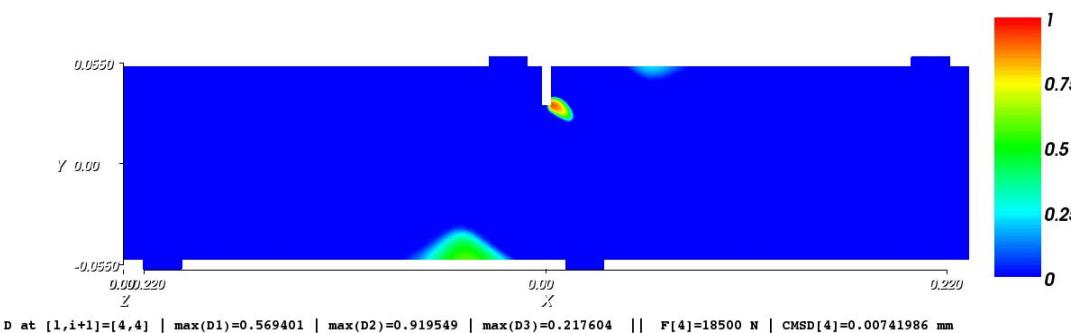
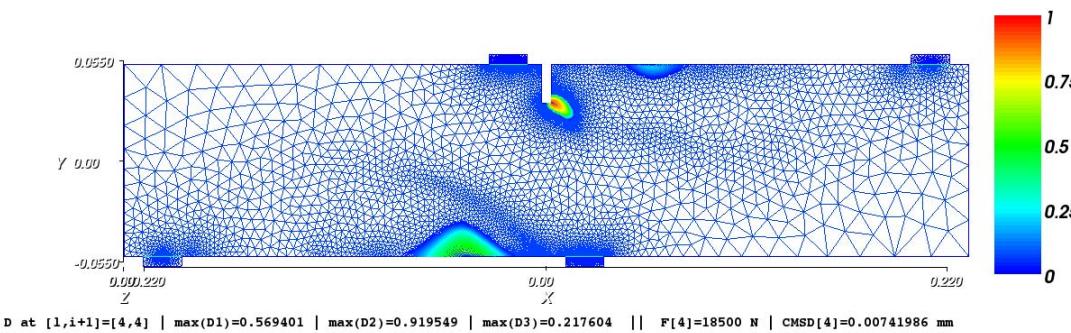
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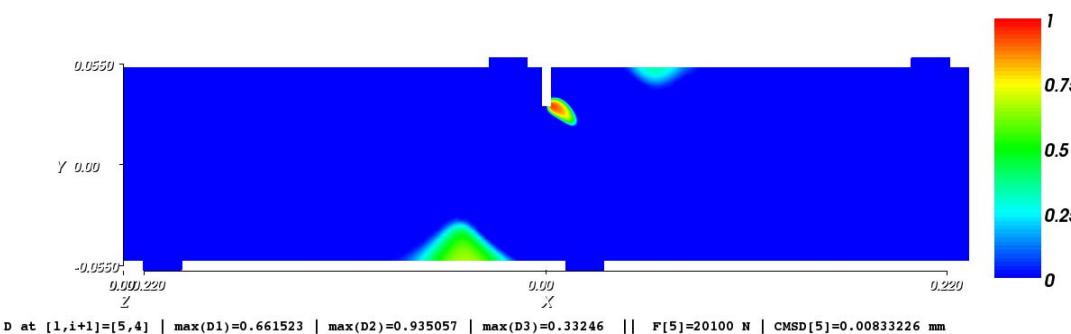
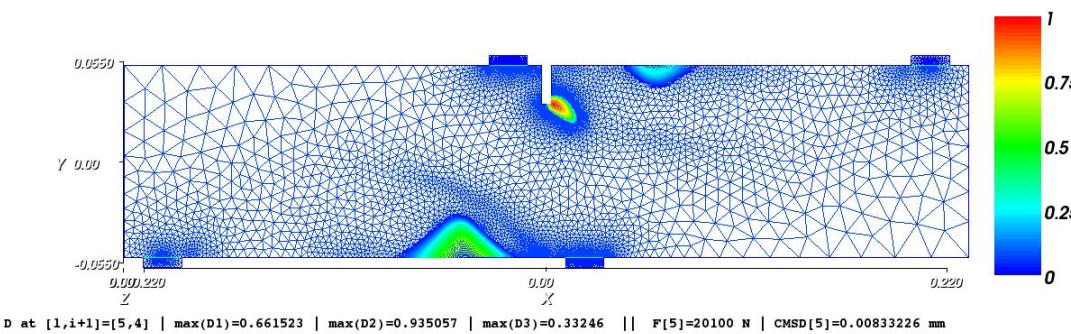
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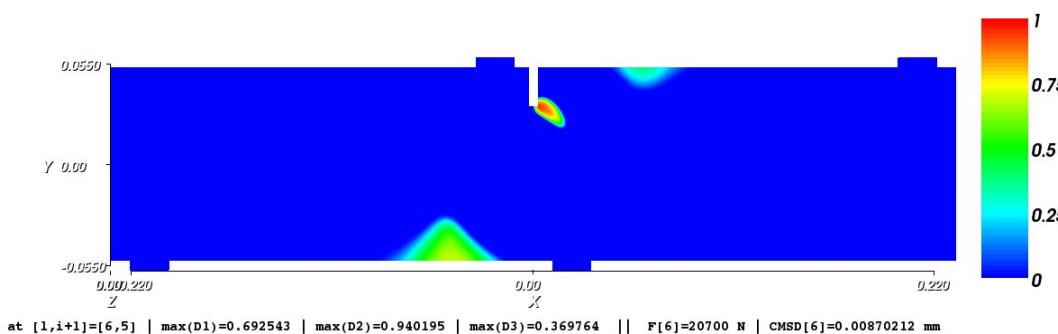
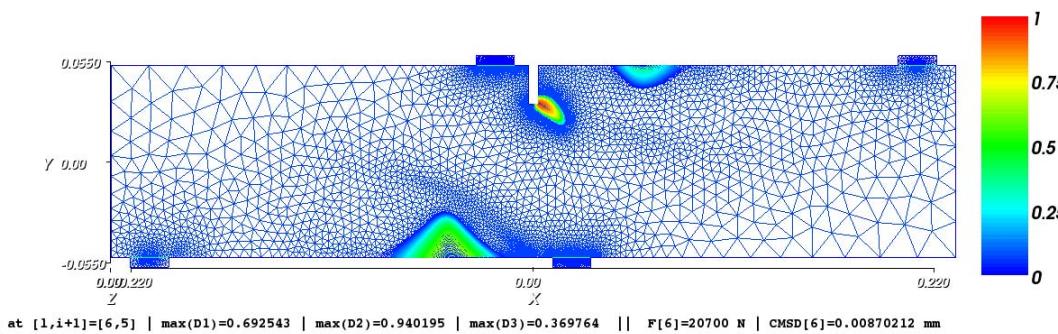
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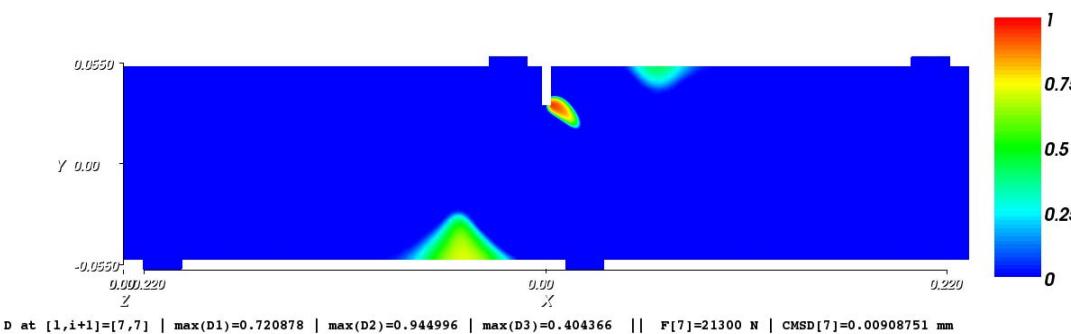
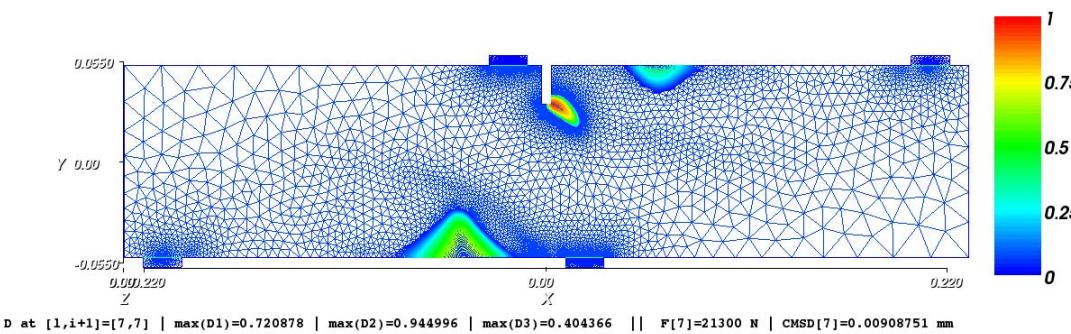
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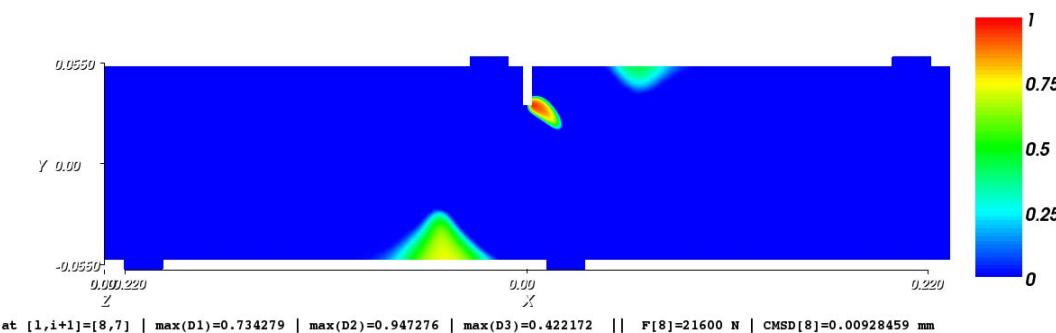
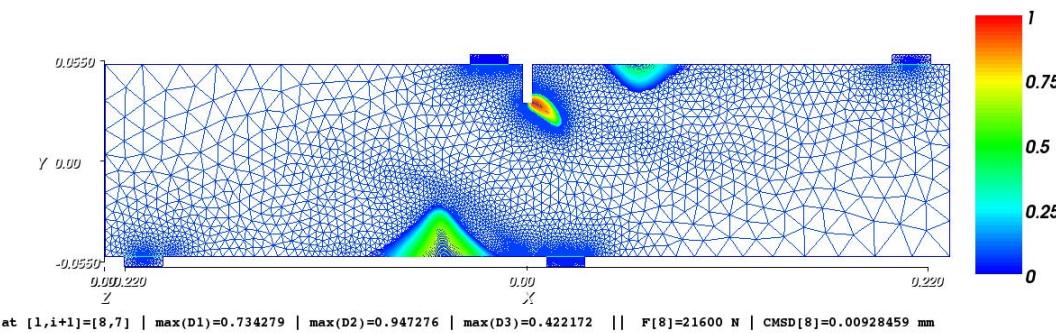
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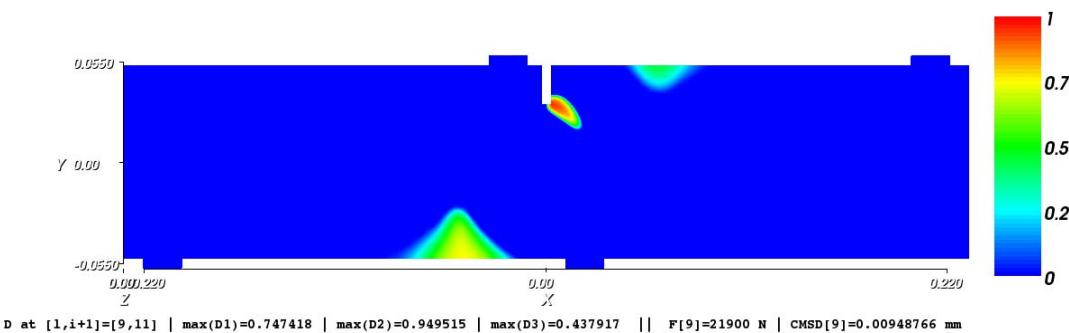
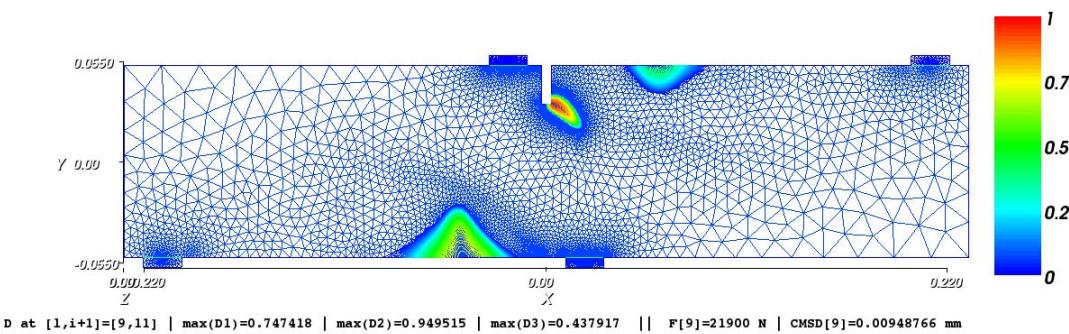
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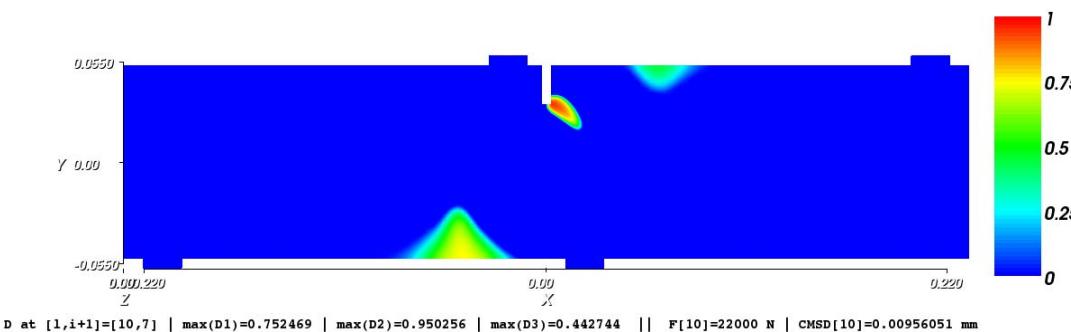
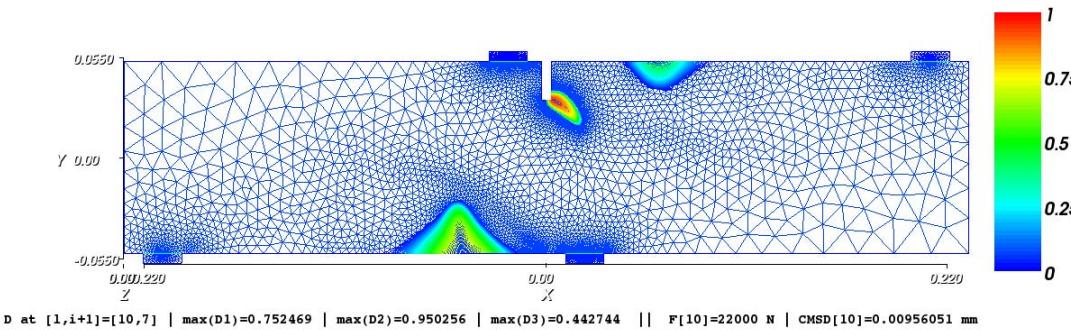
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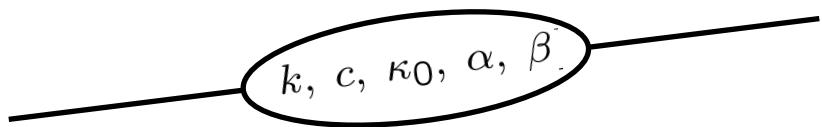
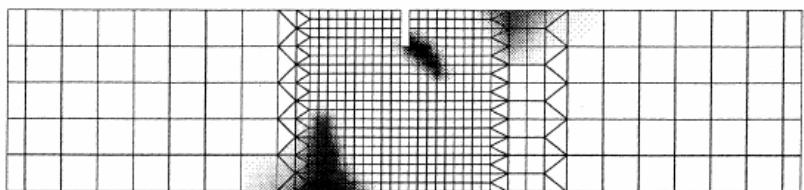
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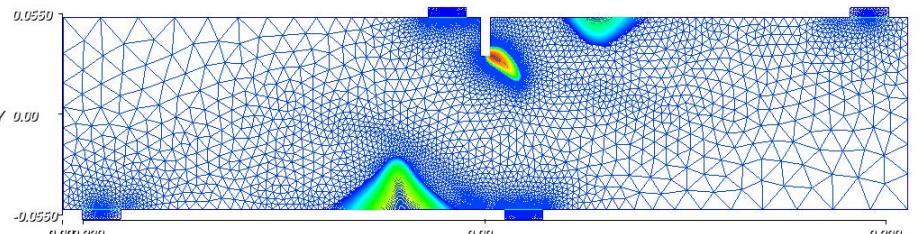


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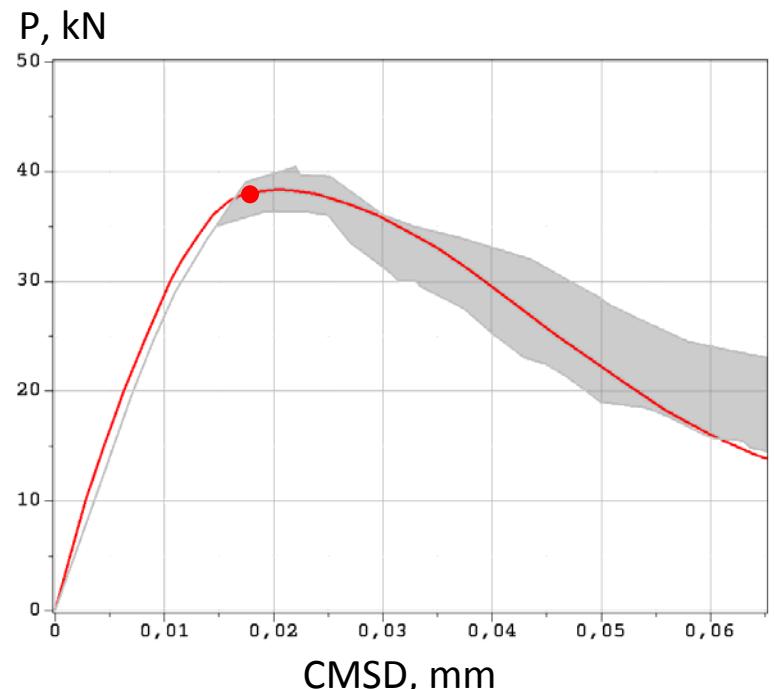
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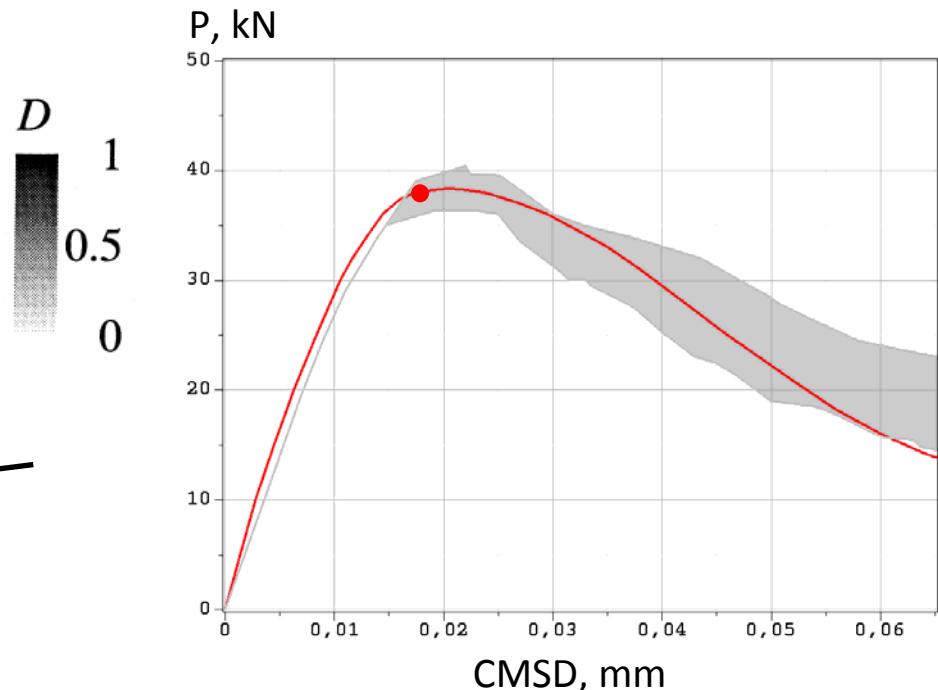
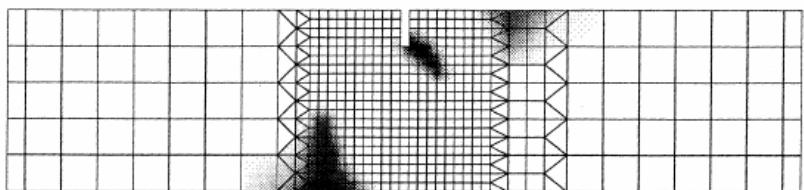


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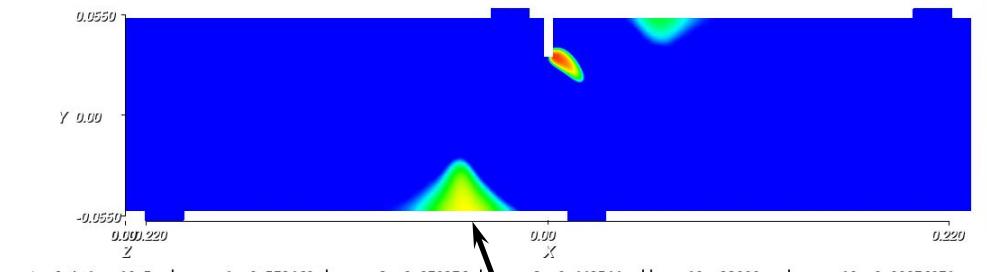


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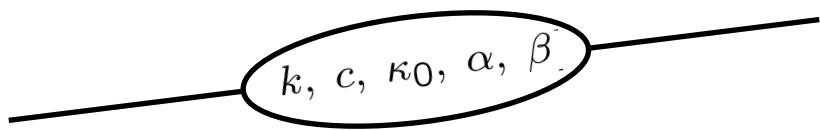
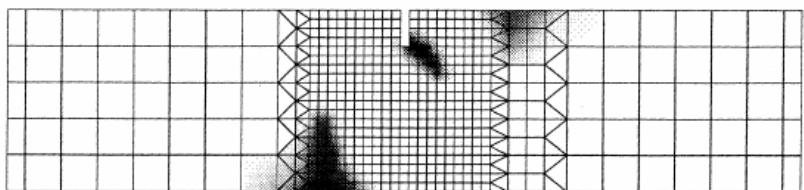
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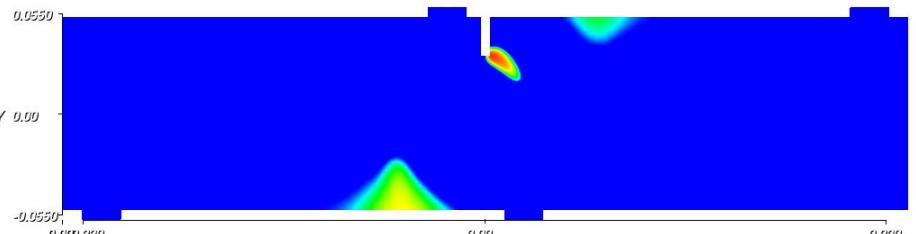
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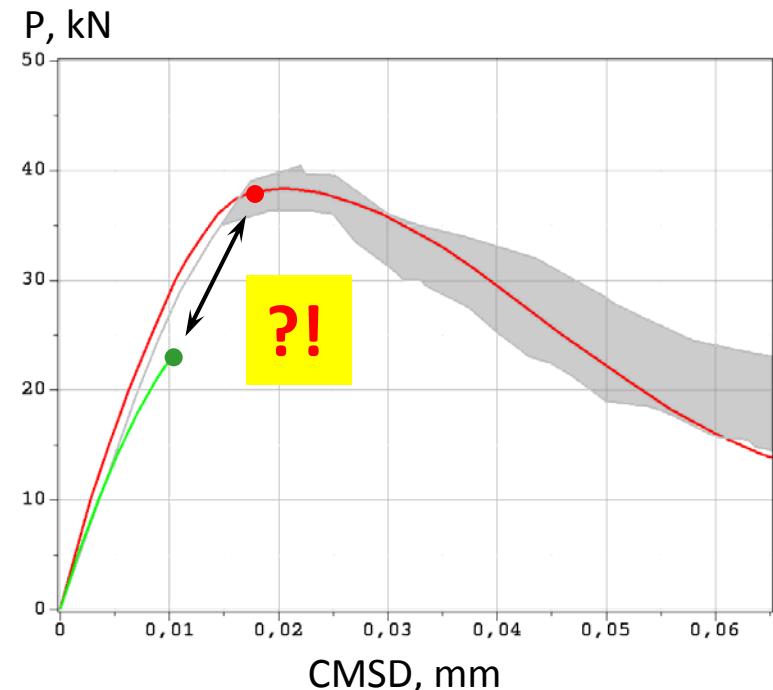
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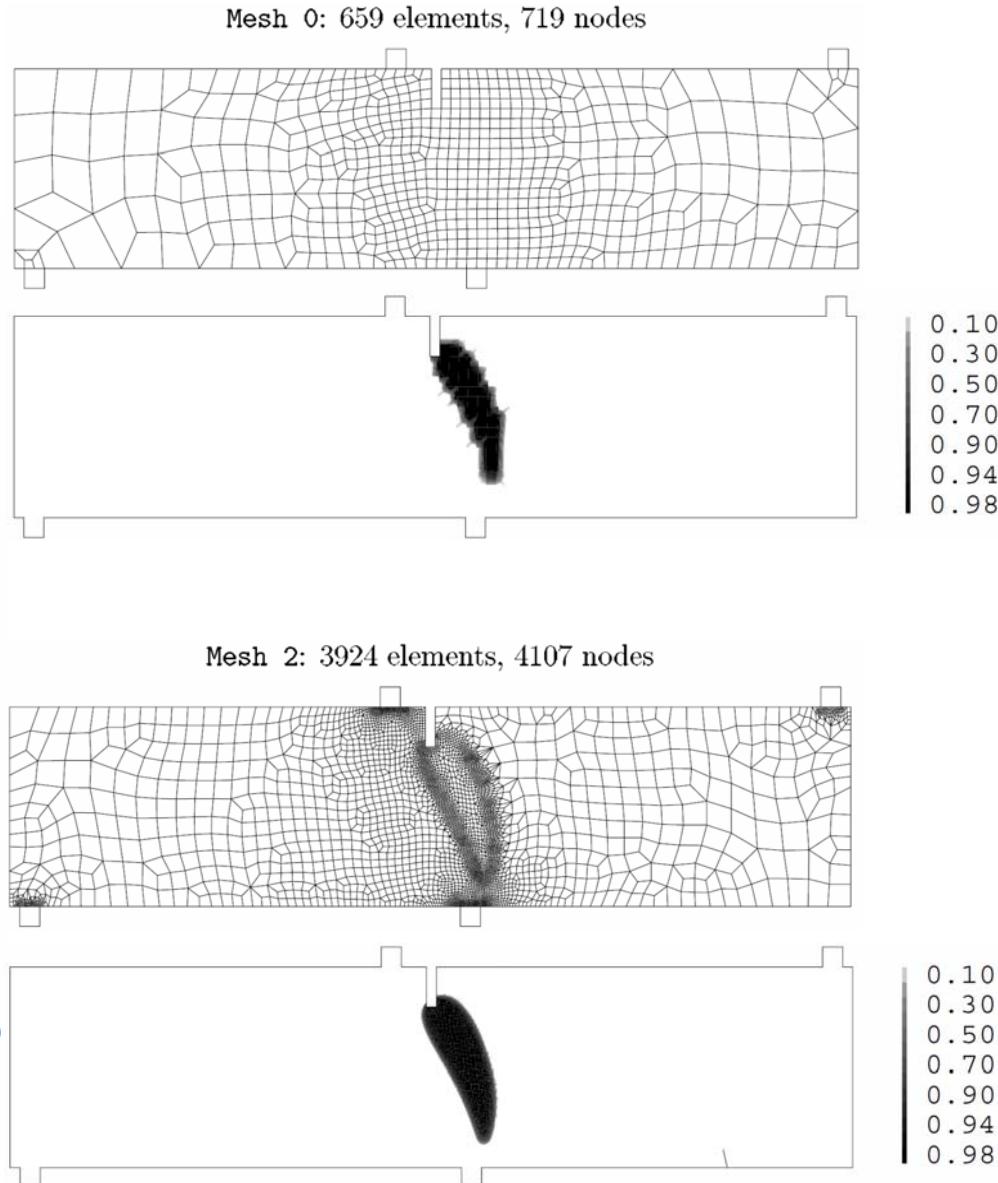
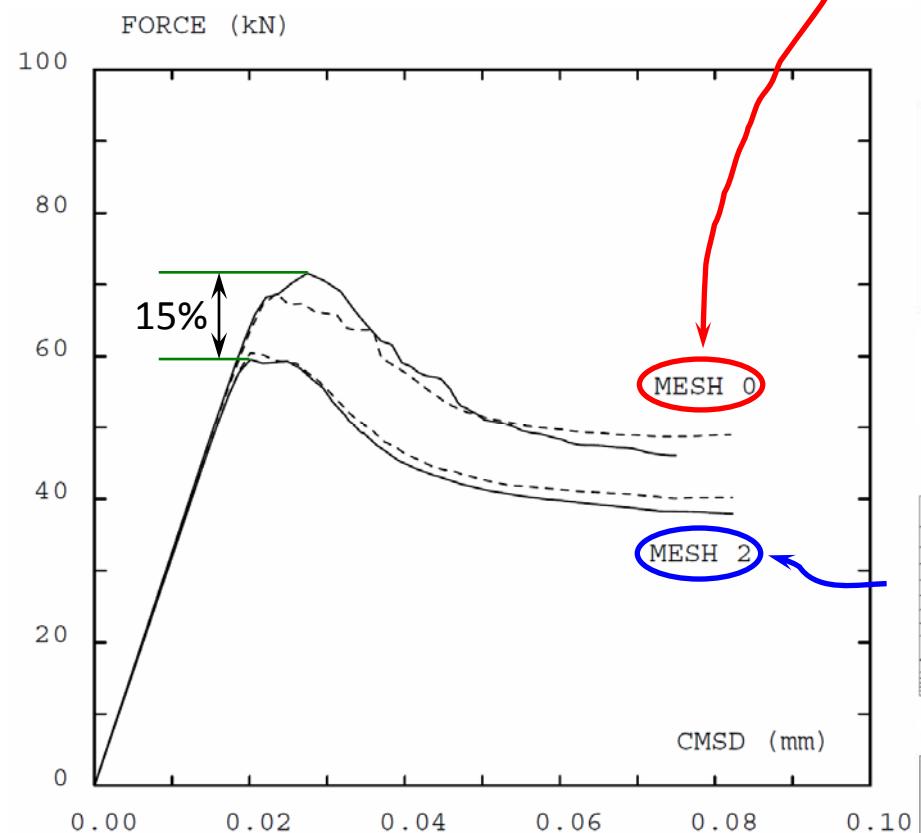


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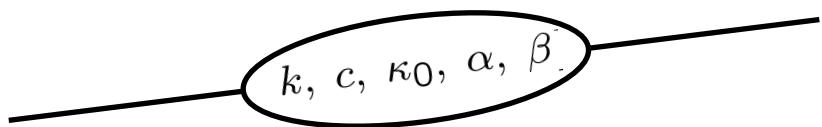
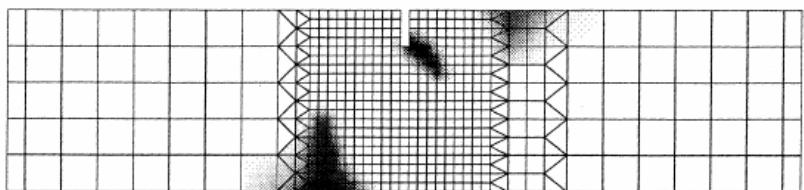
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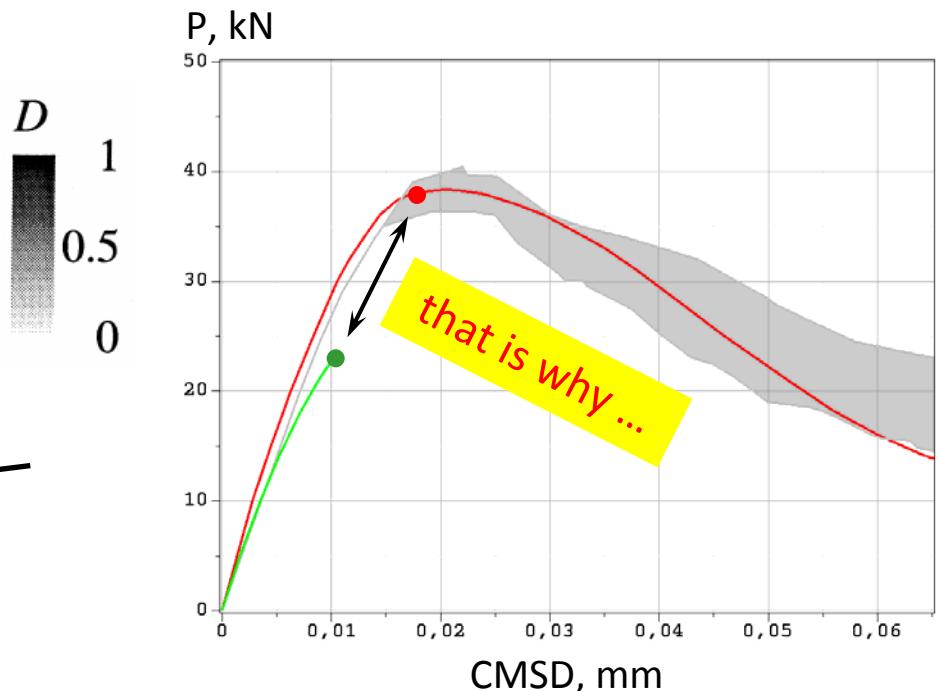
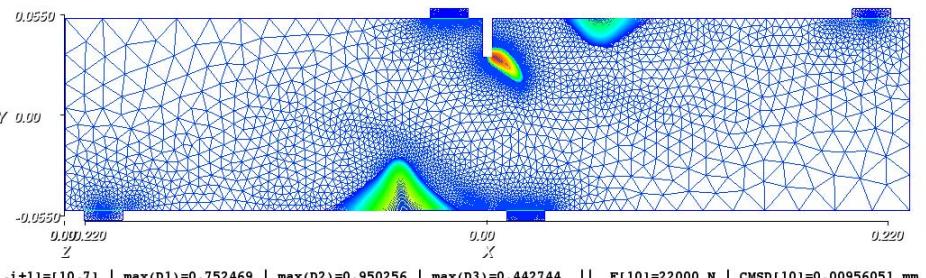


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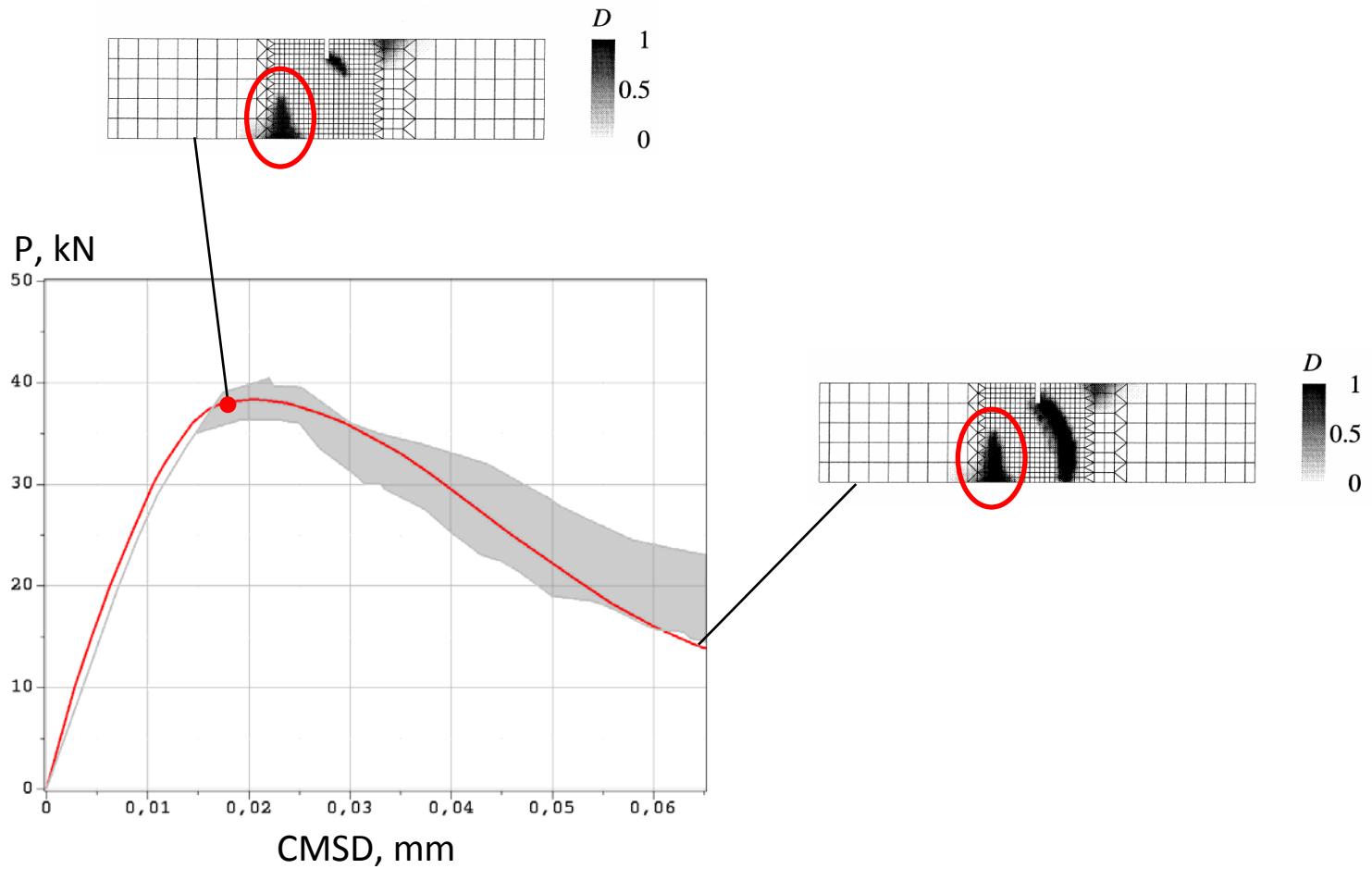


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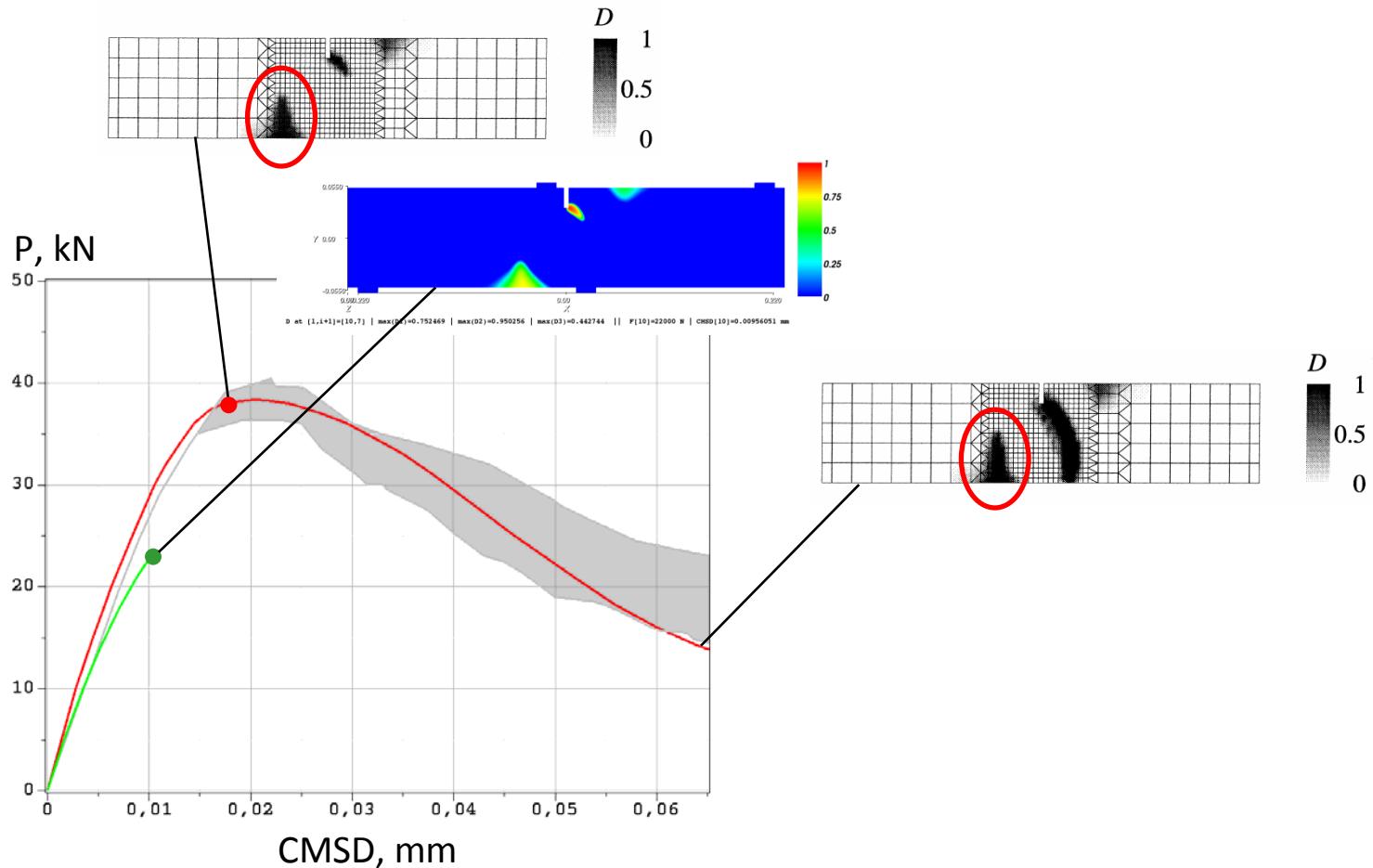
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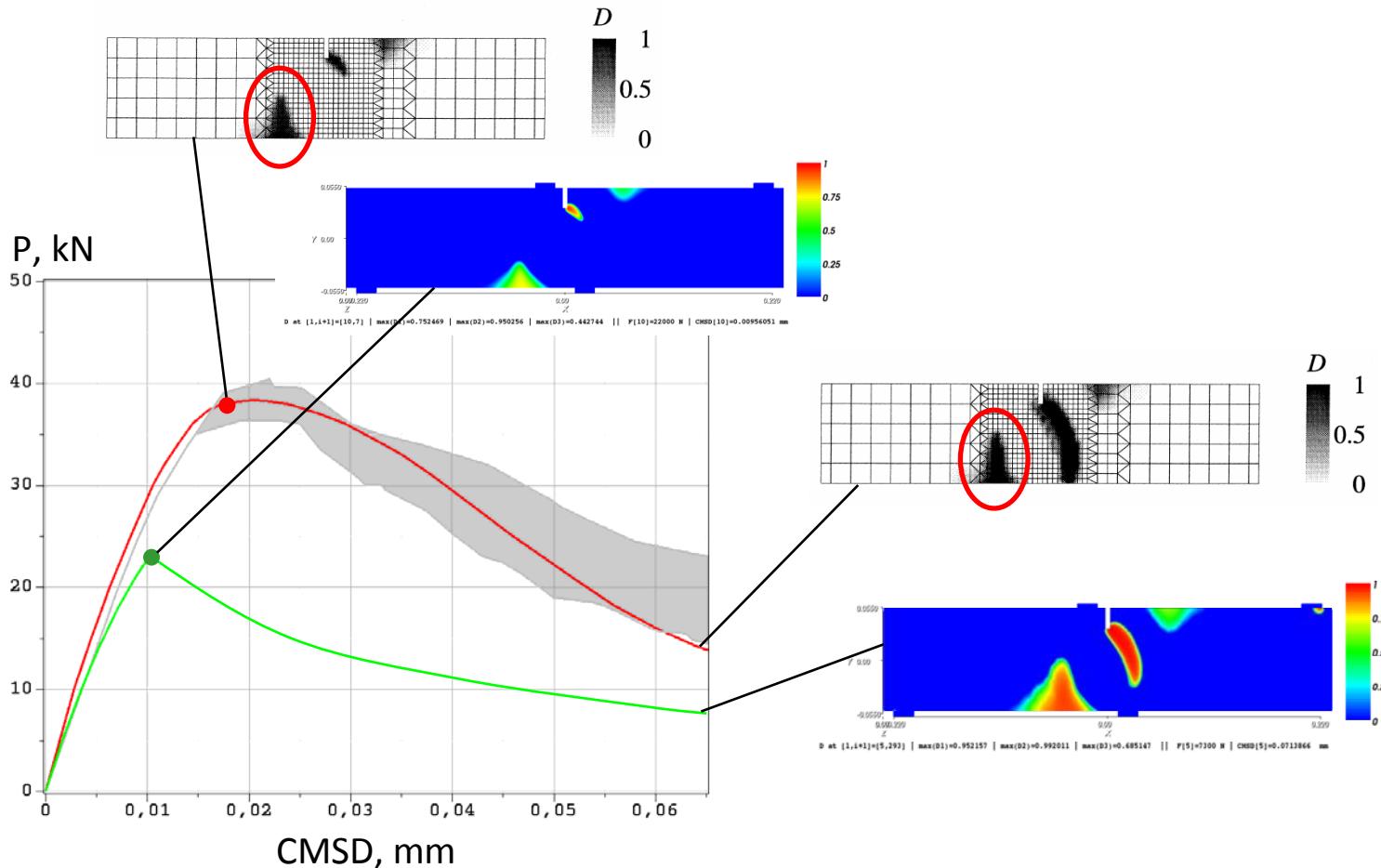
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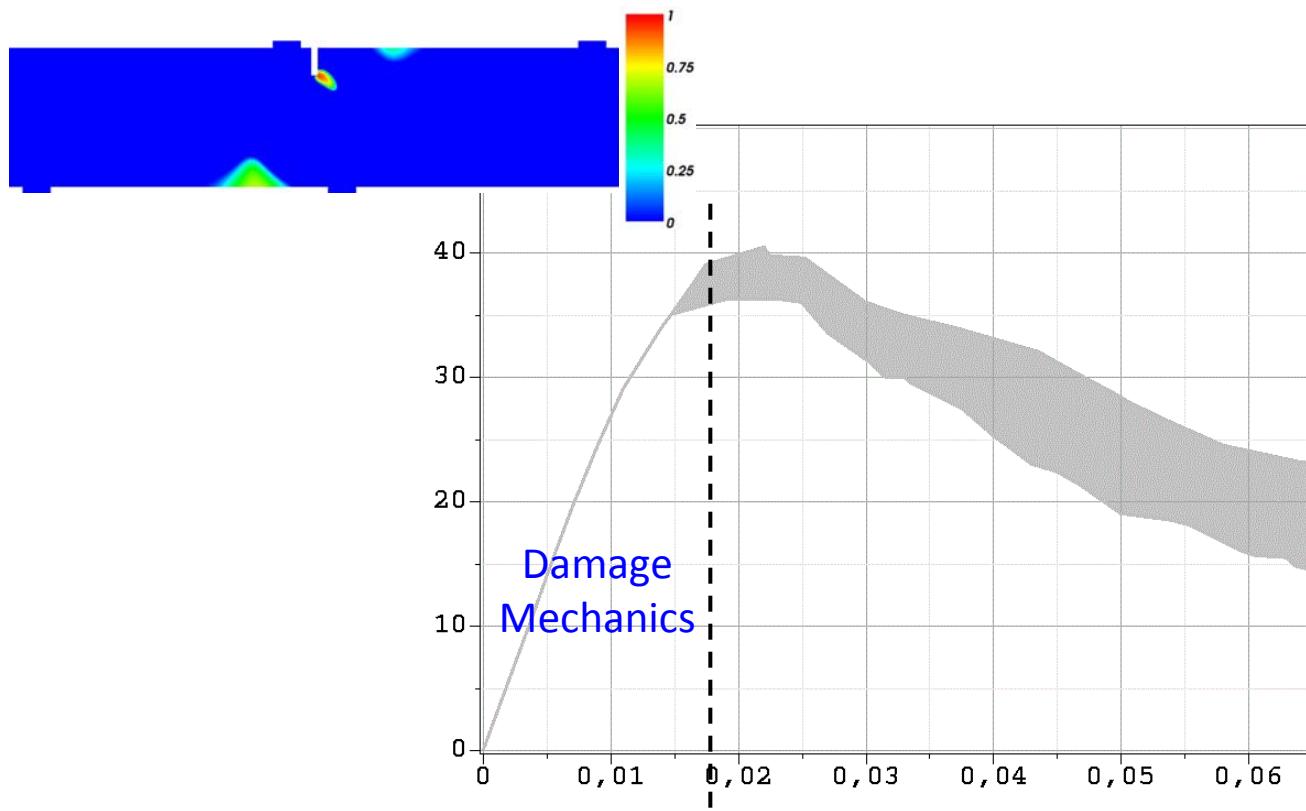


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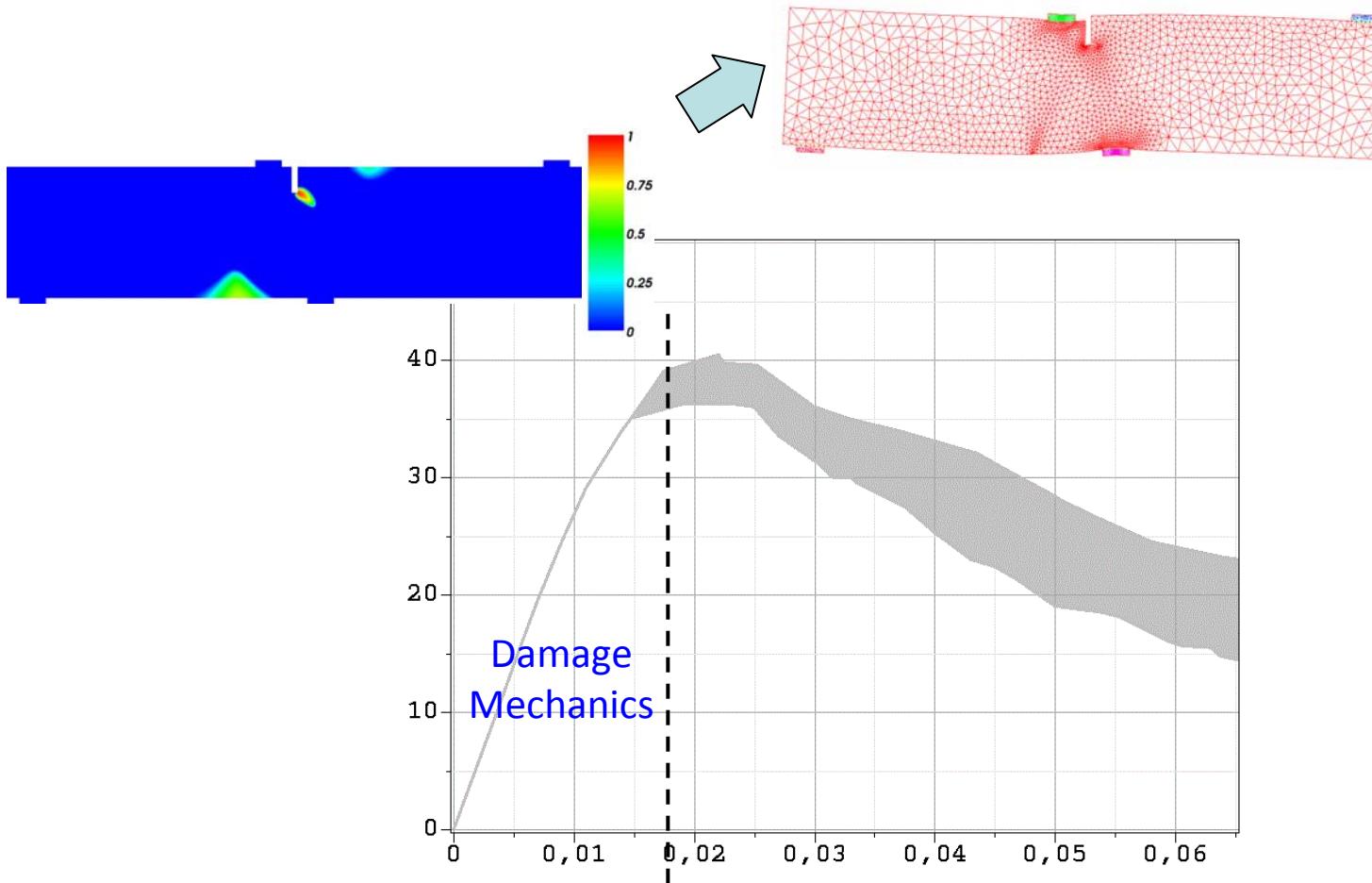
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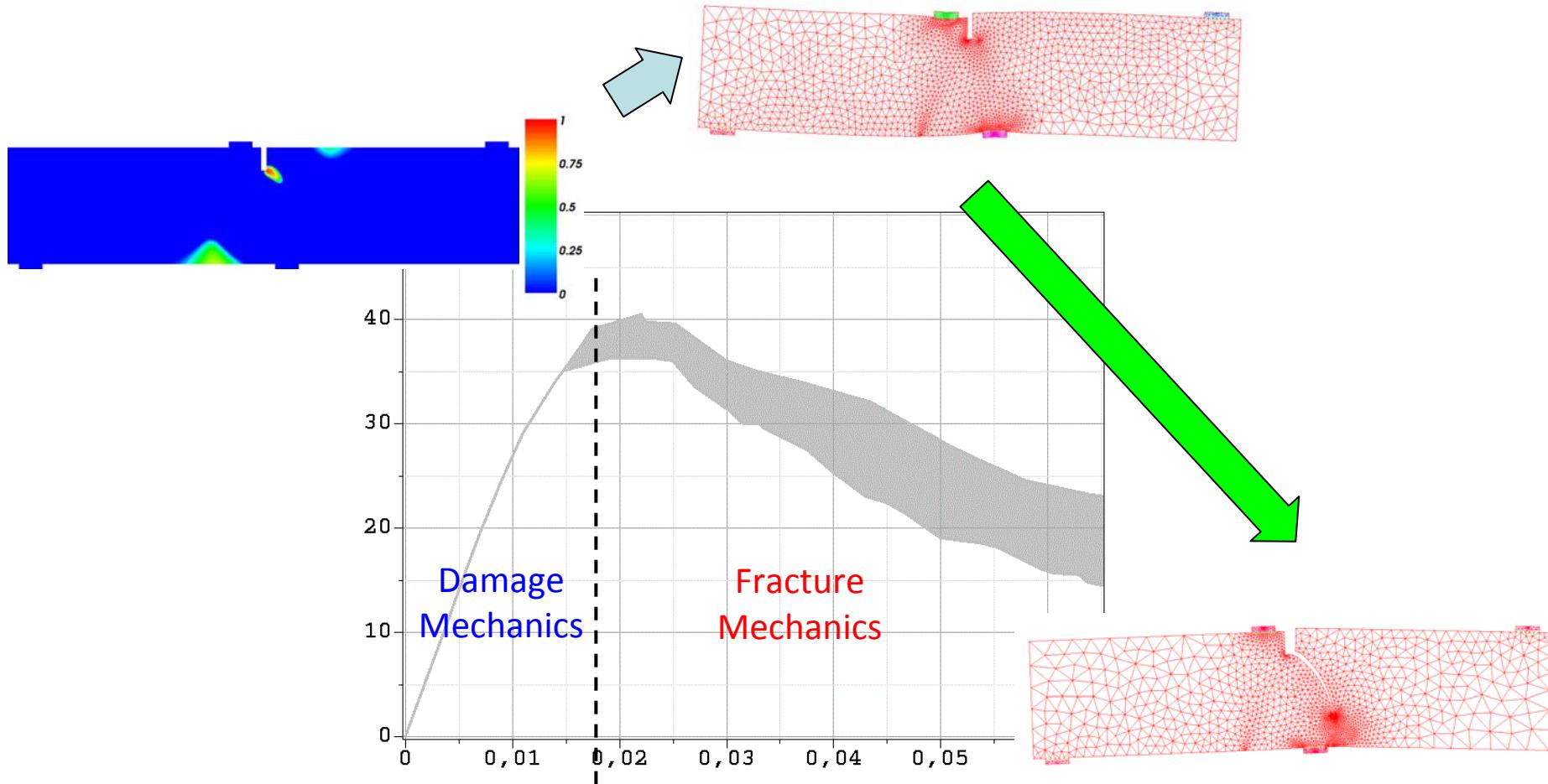
peak load vicinity  
damage zones – crack nucleation  
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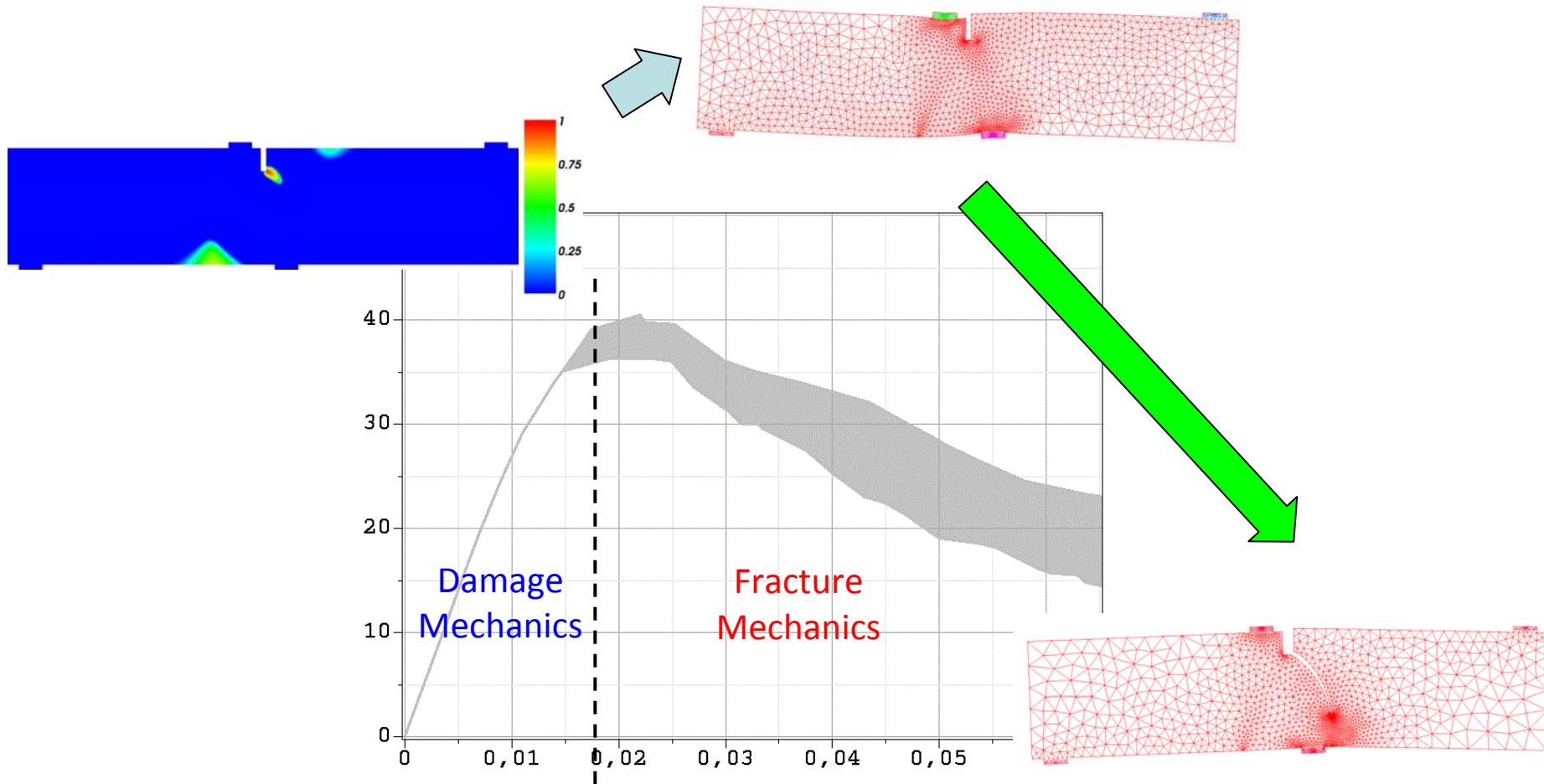
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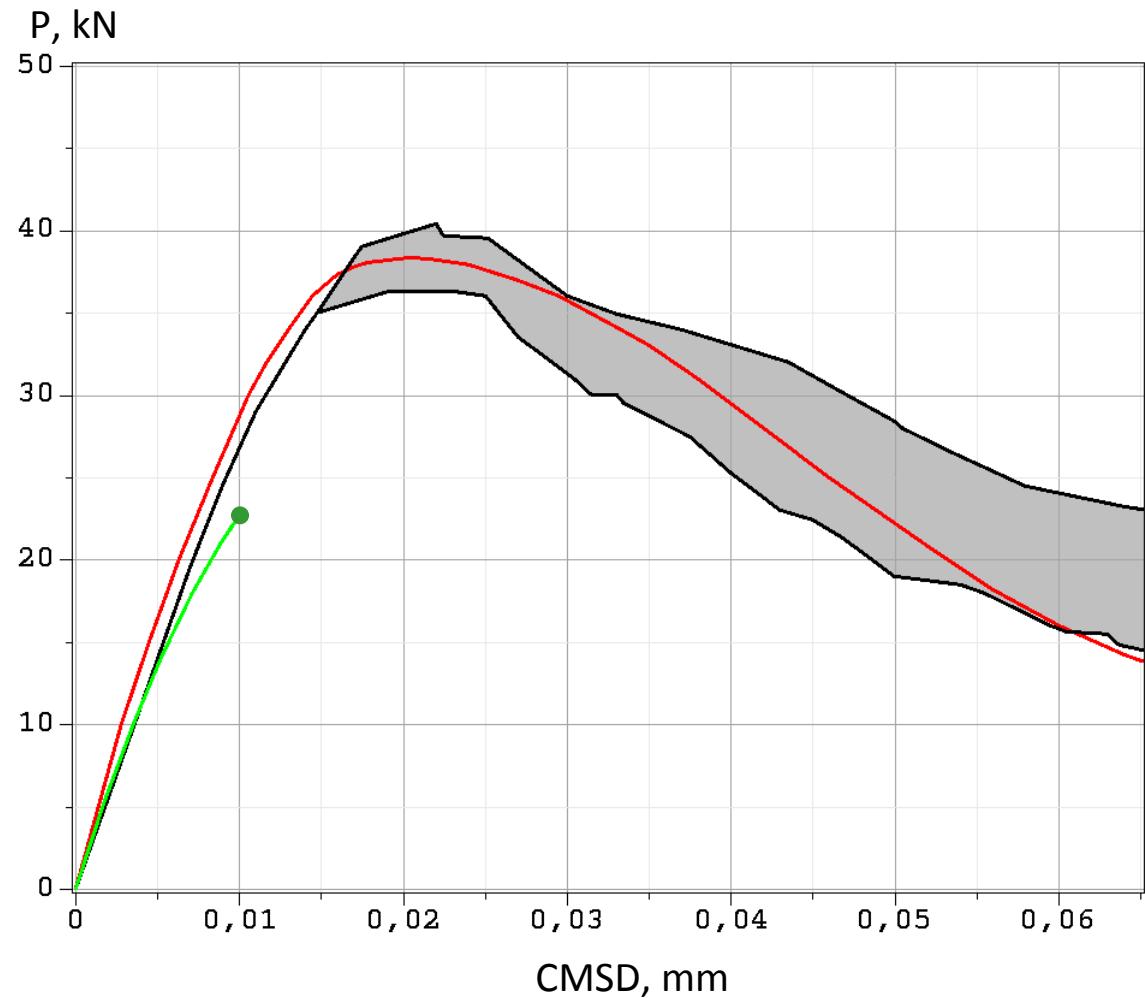


- lower order elements (P1-triangles)
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# Error-controlled adaptive simulations

## Parameters calibration

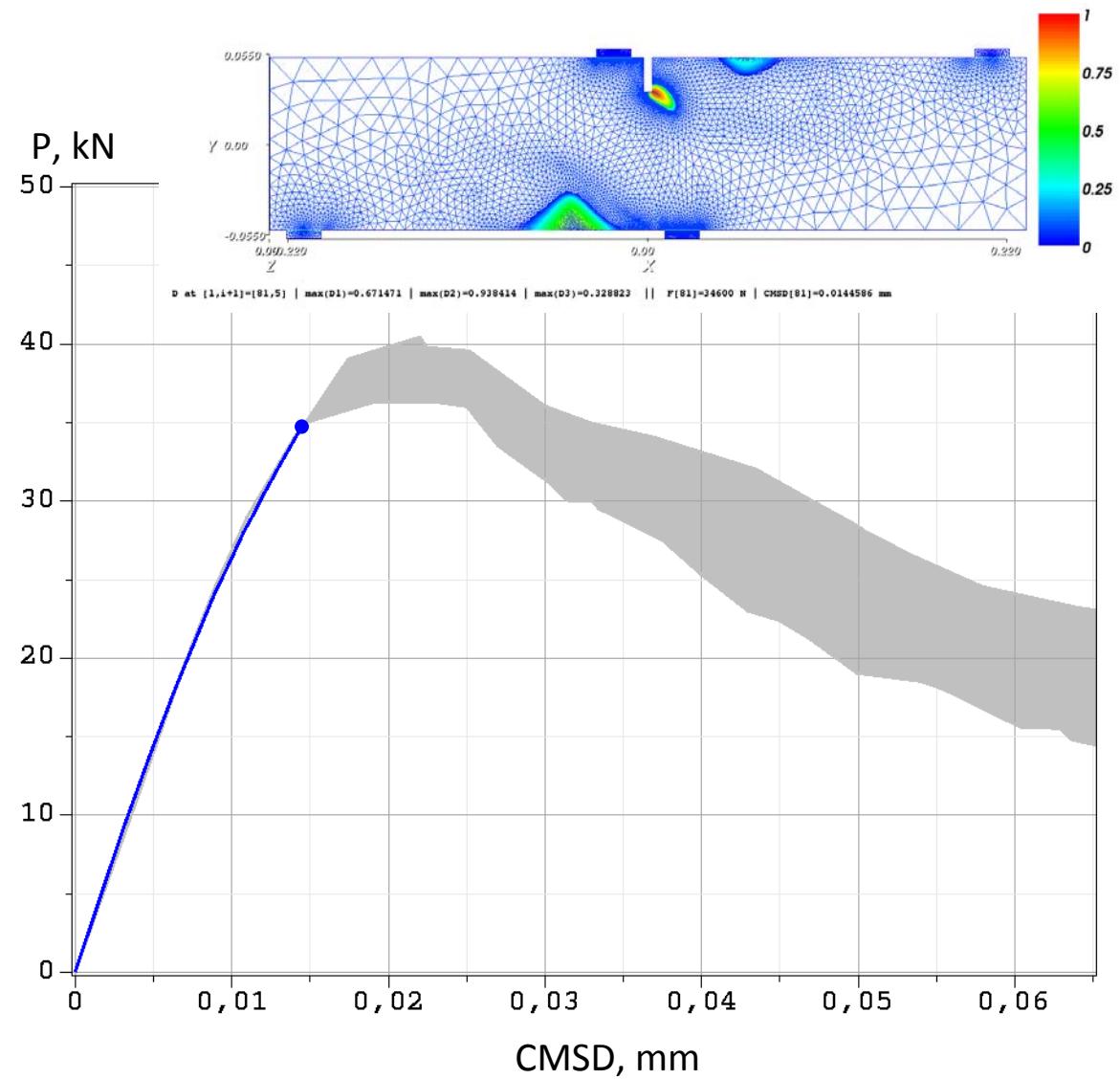
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α := 0.96
β := 100
κ₀ := 6 · 10⁻⁵
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c := 1 · 10⁻⁶ m²
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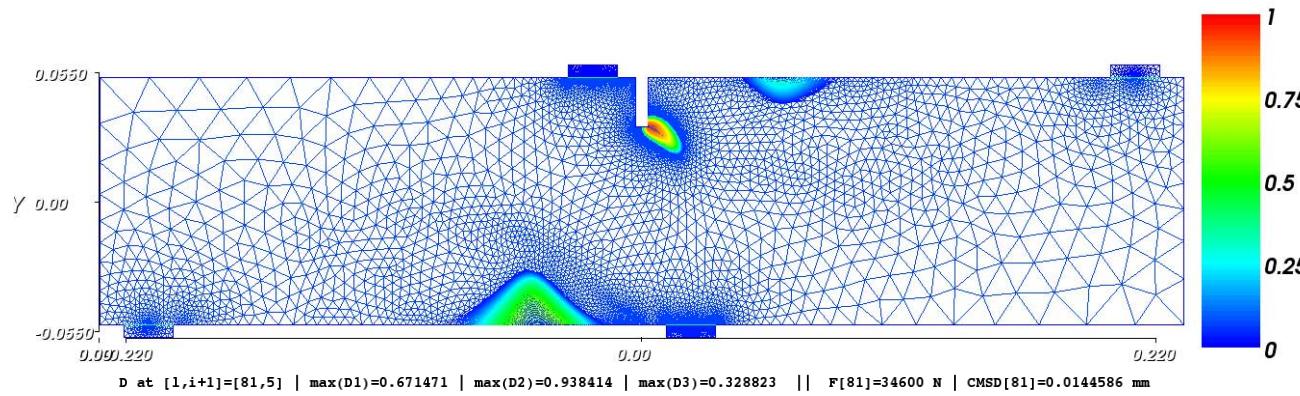
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Parameters calibration: quasi-optimal set

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &:= 0.96 \\ \beta &:= 100 \\ \kappa_0 &:= 6 \cdot 10^{-5} \\ k &:= 15 \\ c &:= 1 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2\end{aligned}$$



# Damage-to-fracture transition



Transformation of damage zones into equivalent cracks (Mazars, Pijaudier-Cabot, 1996):

area of equivalent crack

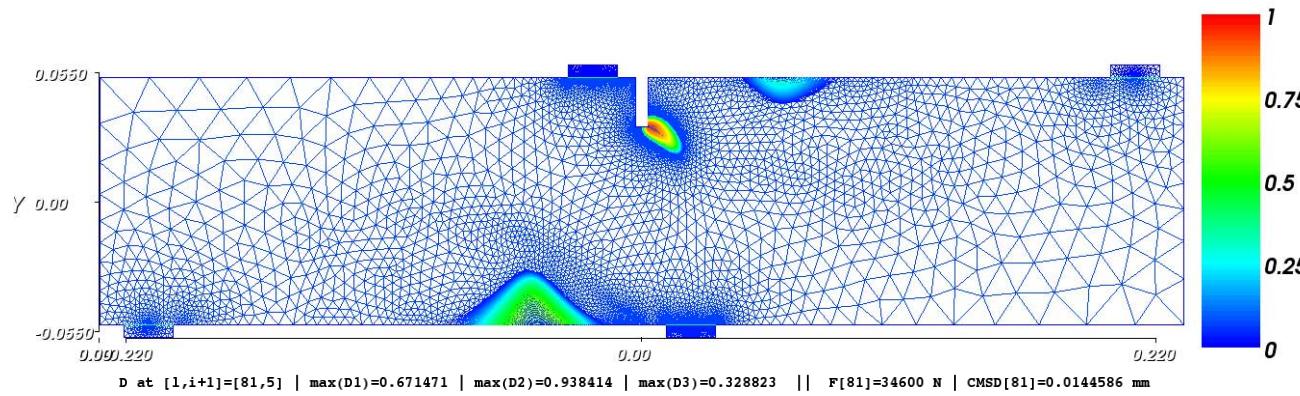
damage energy release rate

$$Y := \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial D} = -\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon : \mathbb{C} : \varepsilon$$

$$A_e = \frac{\int_{\Omega} \int_0^{D(x)} -Y \, dD dx}{G_c}$$

threshold value of the fracture energy release rate

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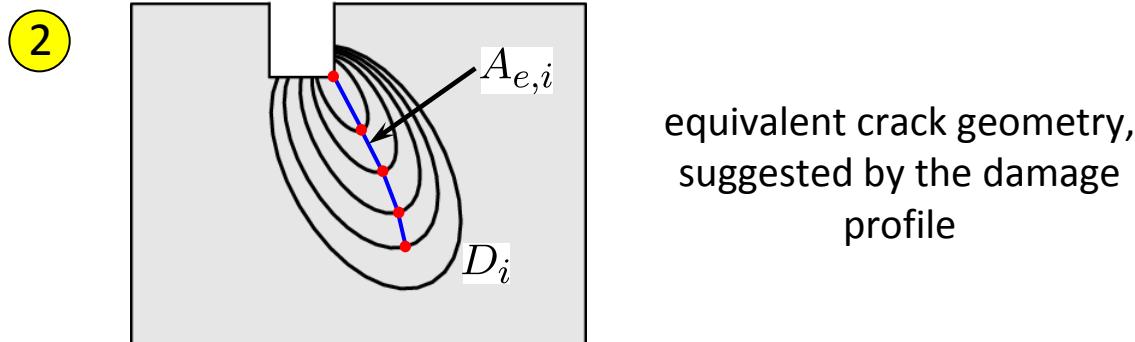


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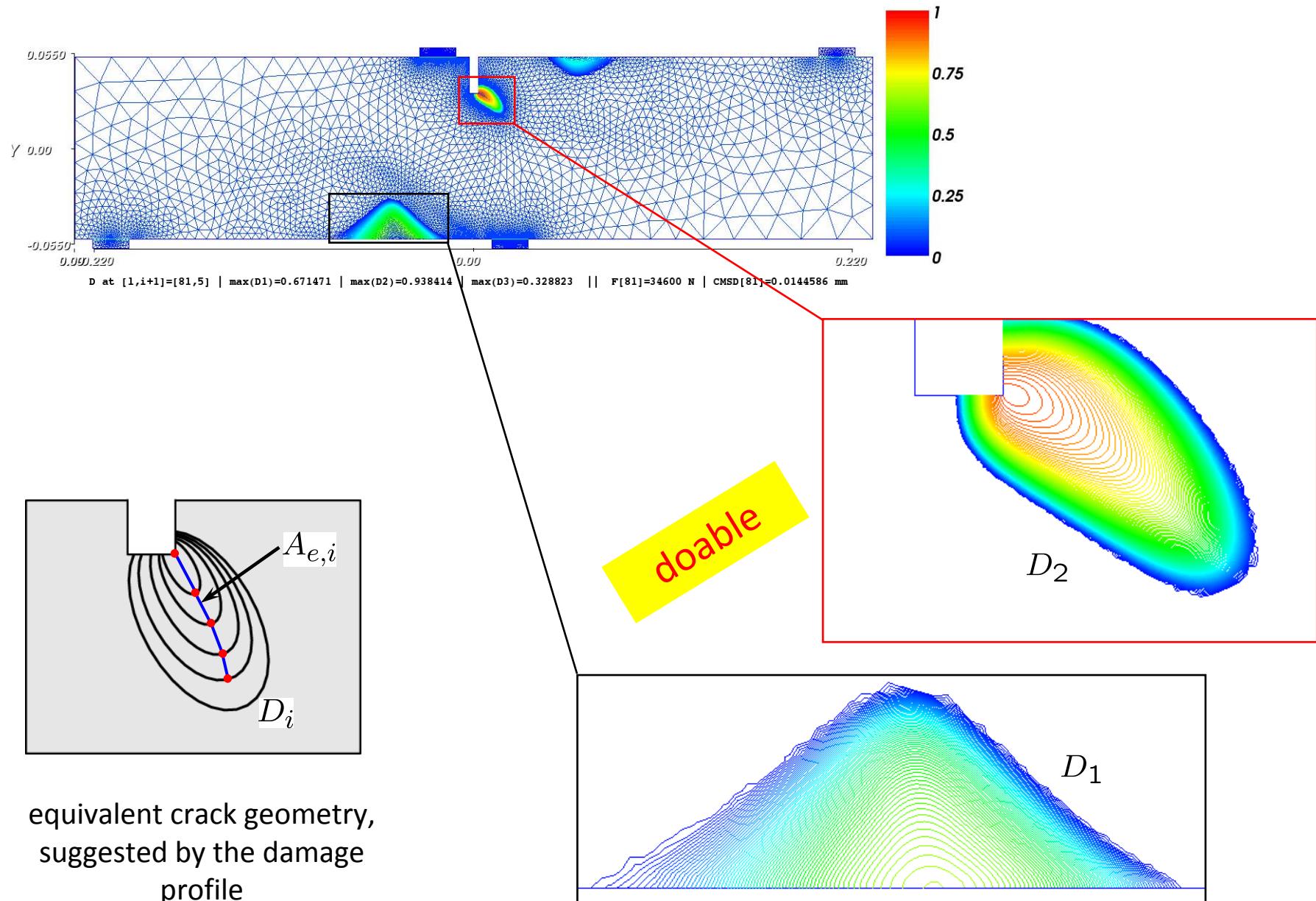
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$$A_{e,i} = \frac{\int_{\Omega} -Y D_i(x) dx}{G_c} \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

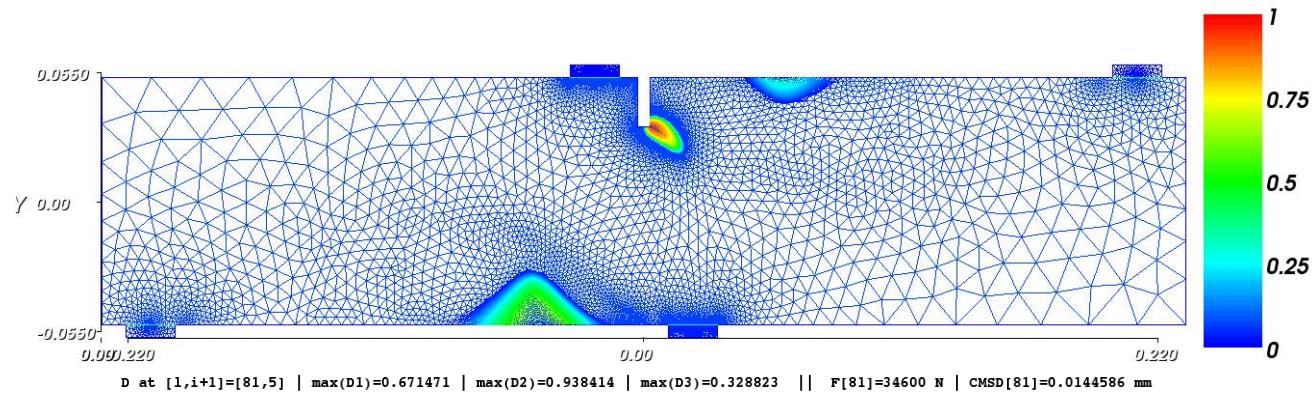
length of equivalent crack



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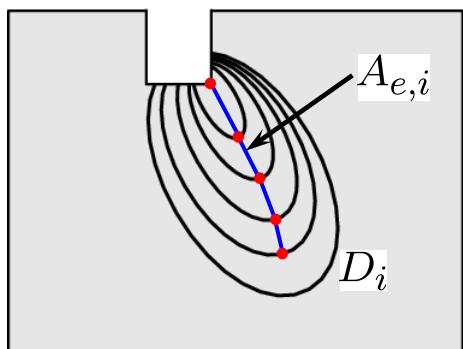
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equivalent crack geometry,  
suggested by the damage  
profile

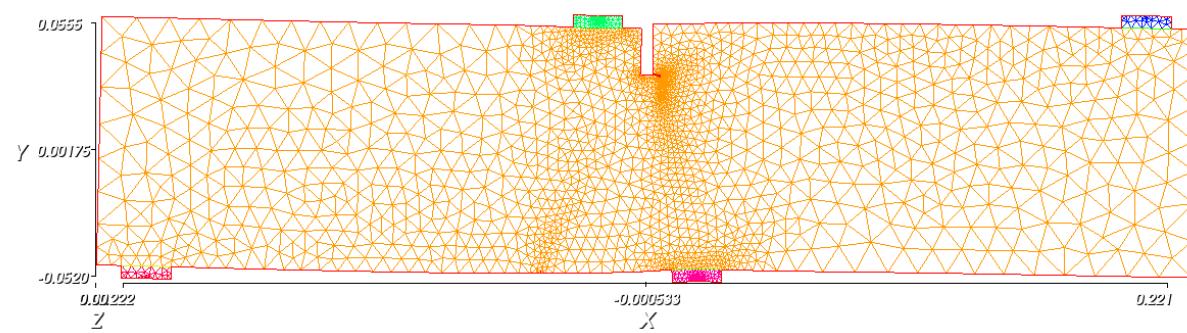
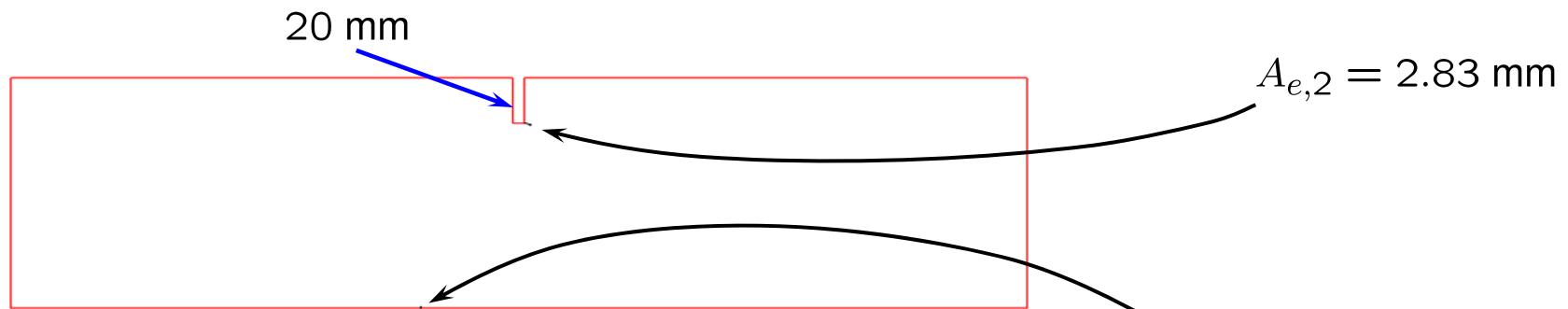
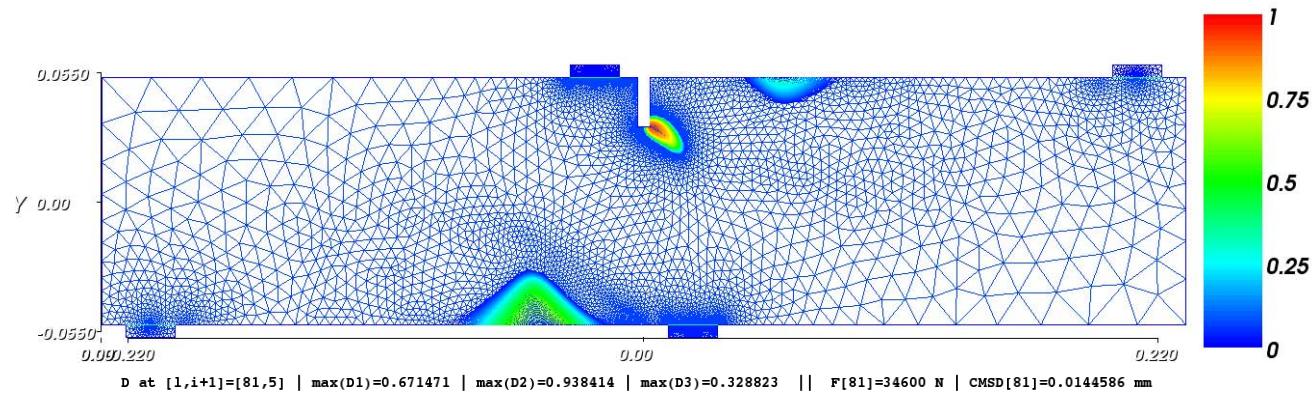
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Schlangen (1993):

$$G_c = 115.1 \pm 8.3 \text{ N/m}$$

$$(90 \div 230 \text{ N/m})$$

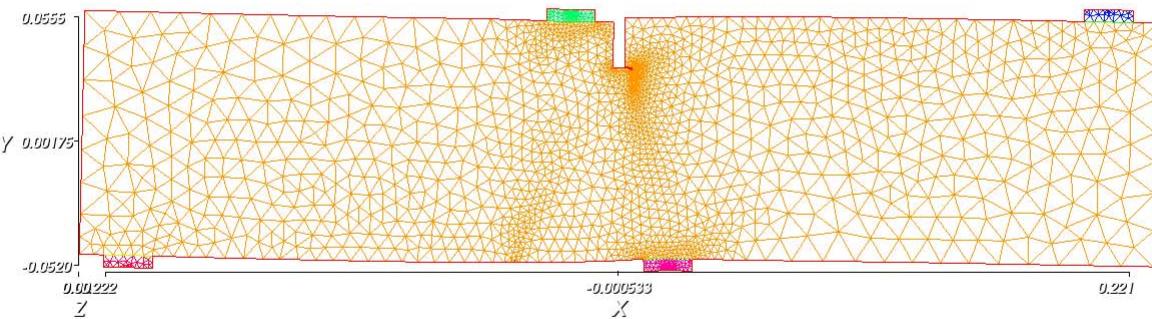
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already cracked deformed specimen

# Error-controlled crack propagation

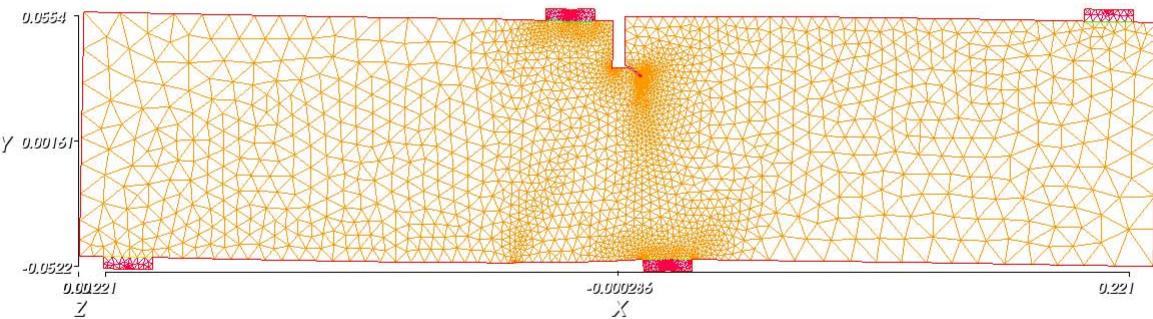
Loading Step 0 (peak load, already computed)



PropStep=0 (The LKM deformed, DOF=4350)

# Error-controlled crack propagation

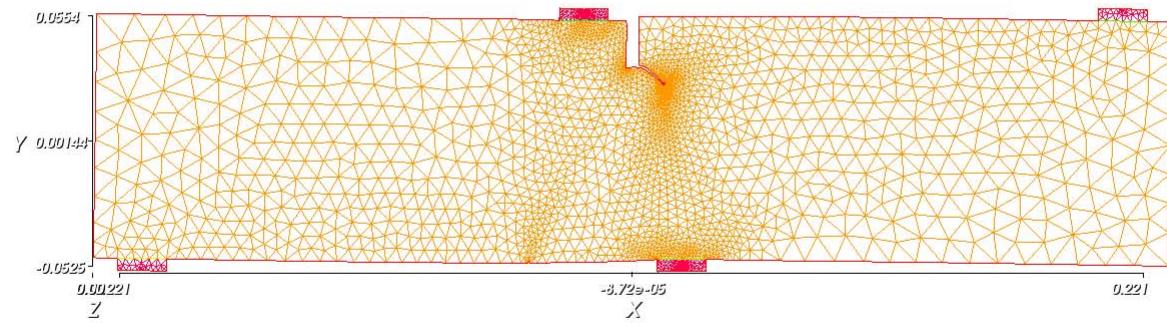
## Loading Step 1



PropStep=10 (The LKM deformed, DOF=6156)

# Error-controlled crack propagation

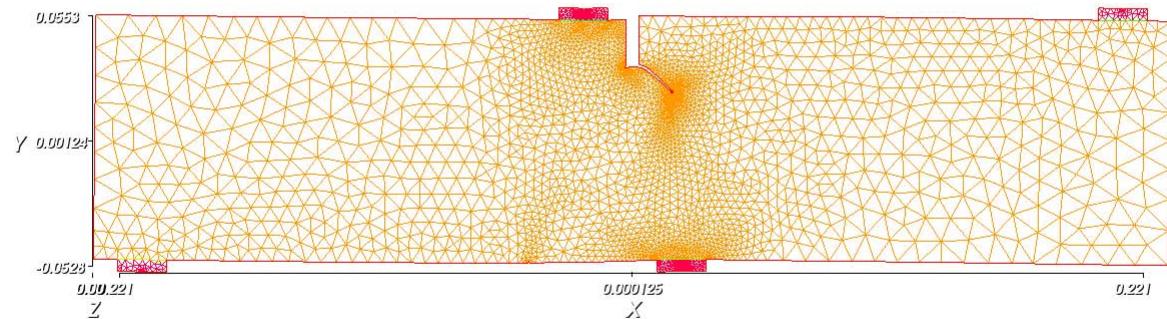
## Loading Step 2



PropStep=20 (The LKM deformed, DOF=5942)

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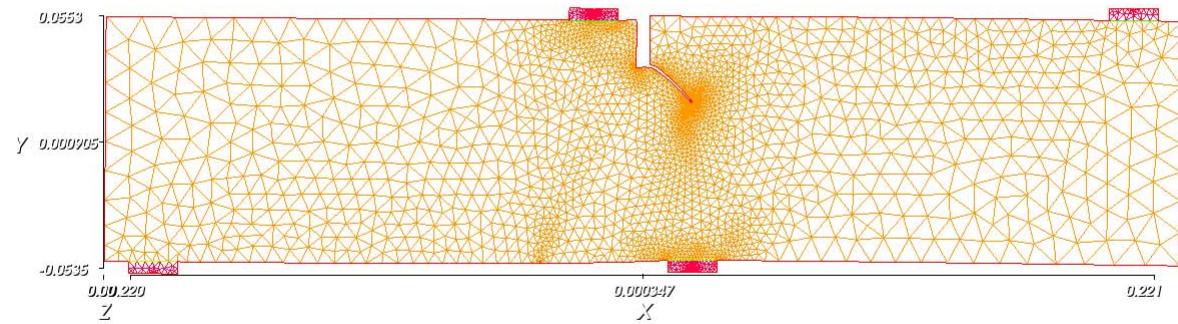
## Loading Step 3



PropStep=30 (The LKM deformed, DOF=7588)

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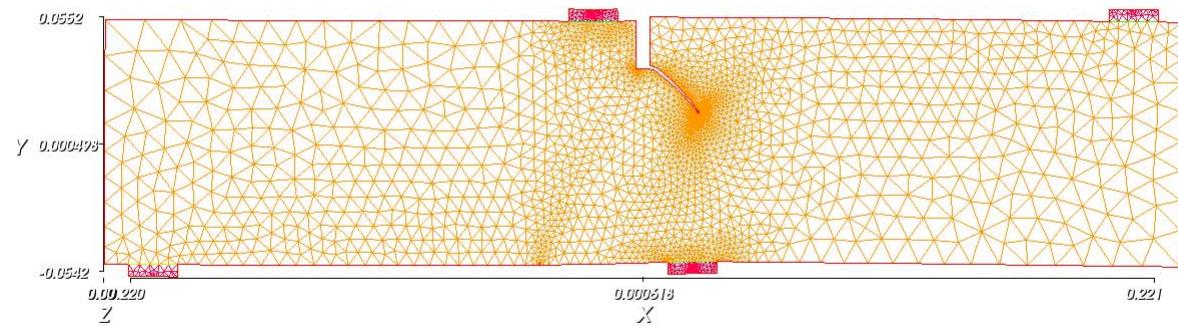
## Loading Step 4



PropStep=40 (The LKM deformed, DOF=6114)

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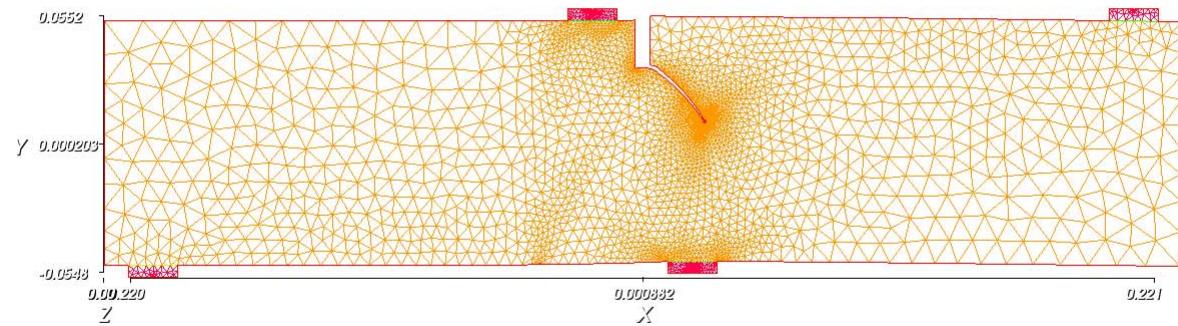
Loading Step 5



PropStep=50 (The LKM deformed, DOF=5860)

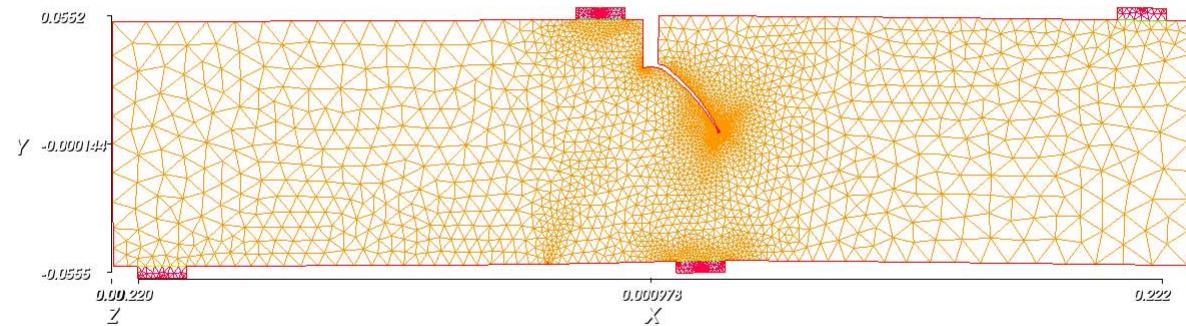
# Error-controlled crack propagation

Loading Step 6



# Error-controlled crack propagation

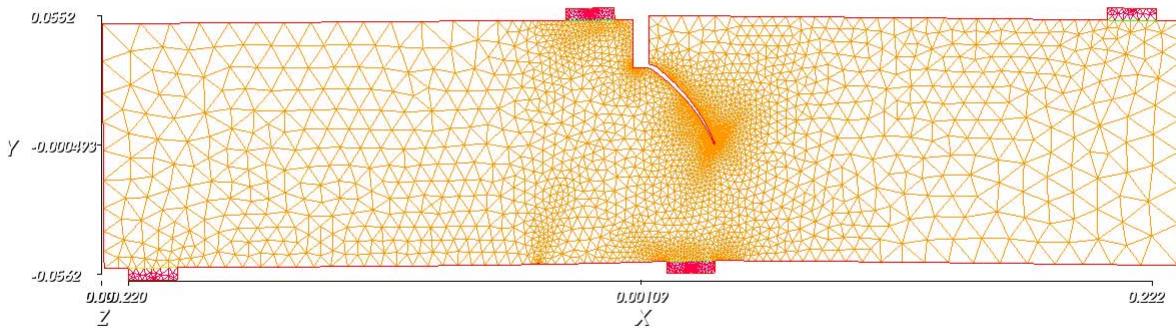
## Loading Step 7



PropStep=70 (The LKM deformed, DOF=6870)

# Error-controlled crack propagation

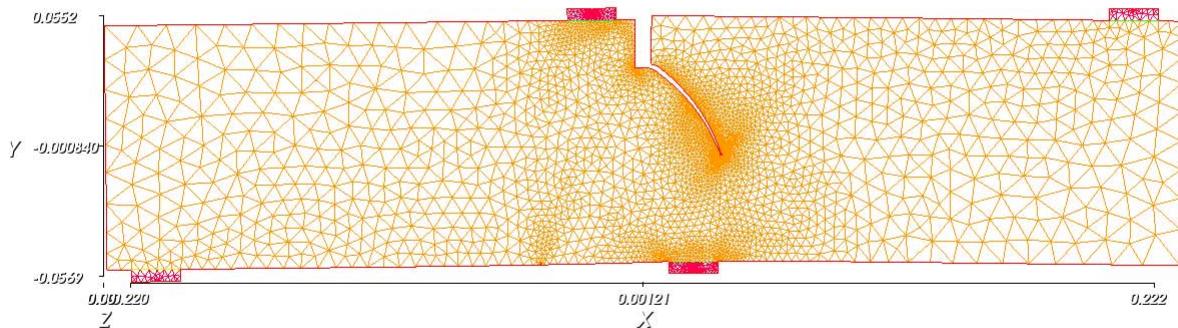
Loading Step 8



PropStep=80 (The LKM deformed, DOF=7320)

# Error-controlled crack propagation

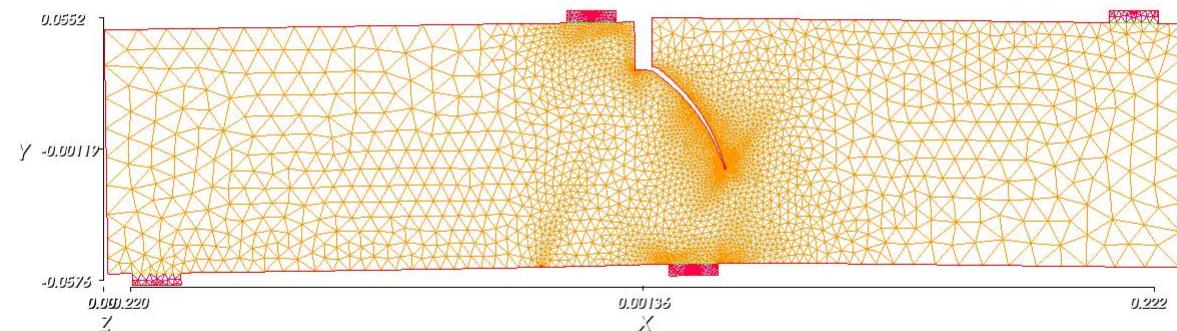
Loading Step 9



PropStep=90 (The LKM deformed, DOF=8102)

# Error-controlled crack propagation

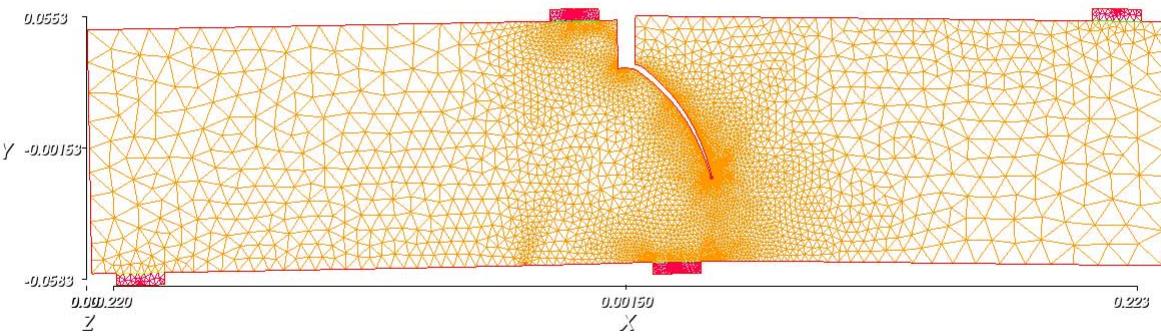
Loading Step 10



PropStep=100 (The LKM deformed, DOF=8464)

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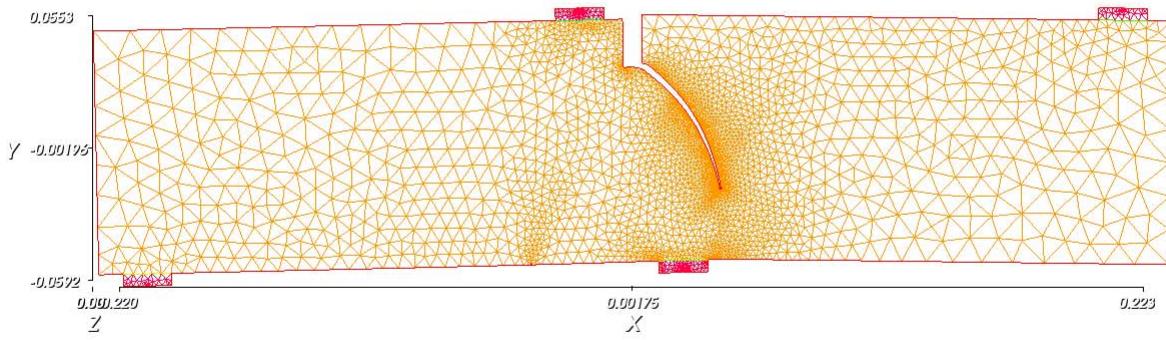
Loading Step 11



PropStep=110 (The LKM deformed, DOF=11112)

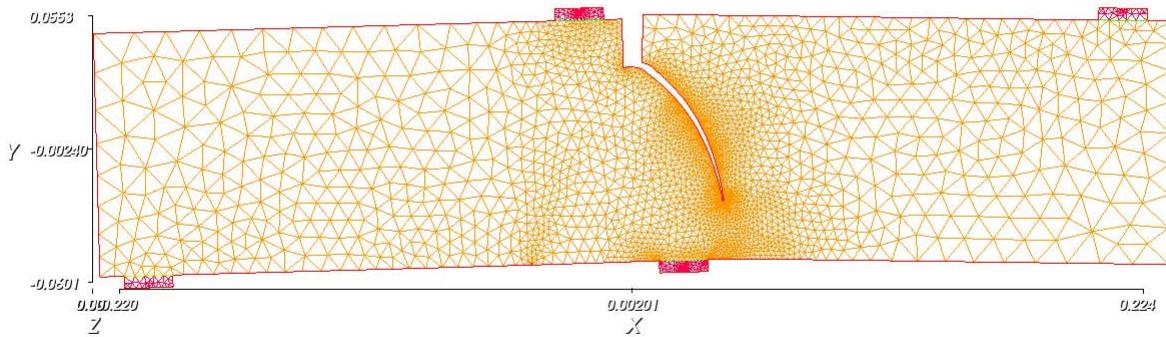
# Error-controlled crack propagation

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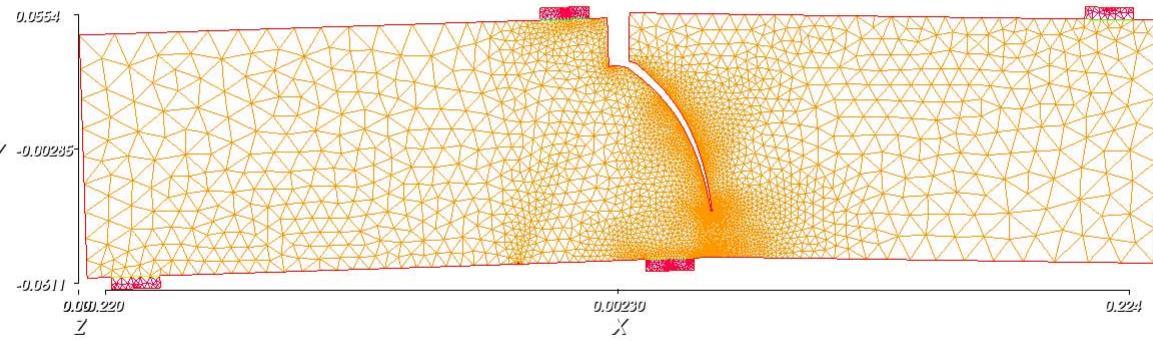
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PropStep=130 (The LKM deformed, DOF=7086)

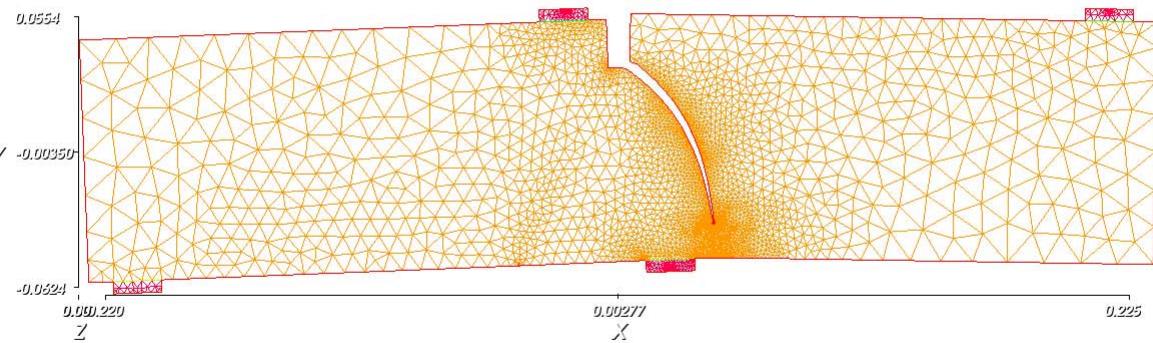
# Error-controlled crack propagation

Loading Step 14



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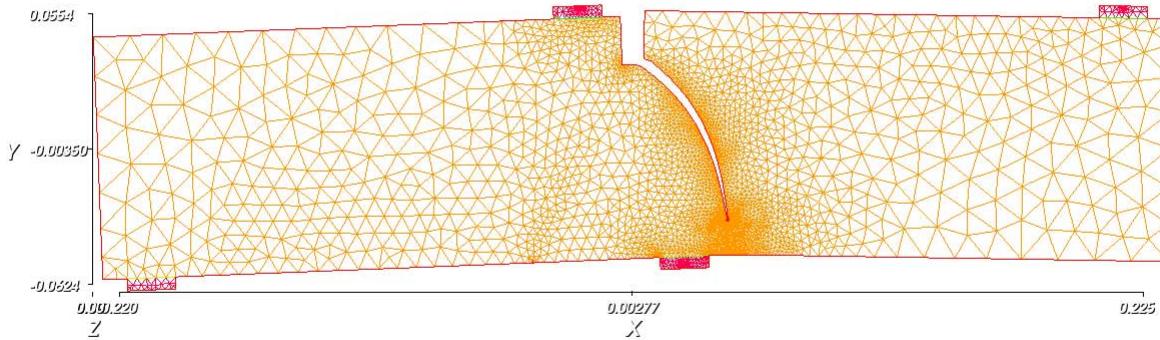
Loading Step 15 (we **stop** here)



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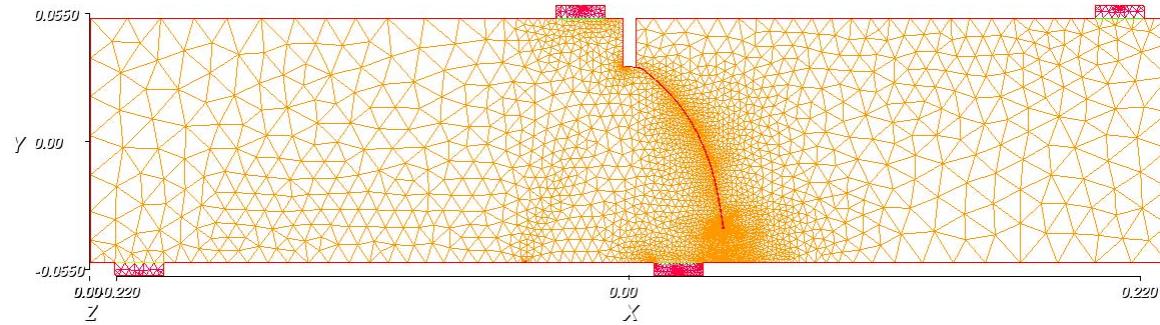
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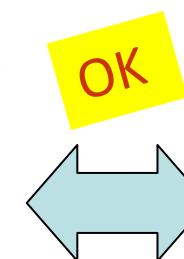


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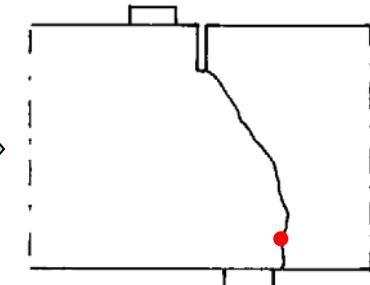
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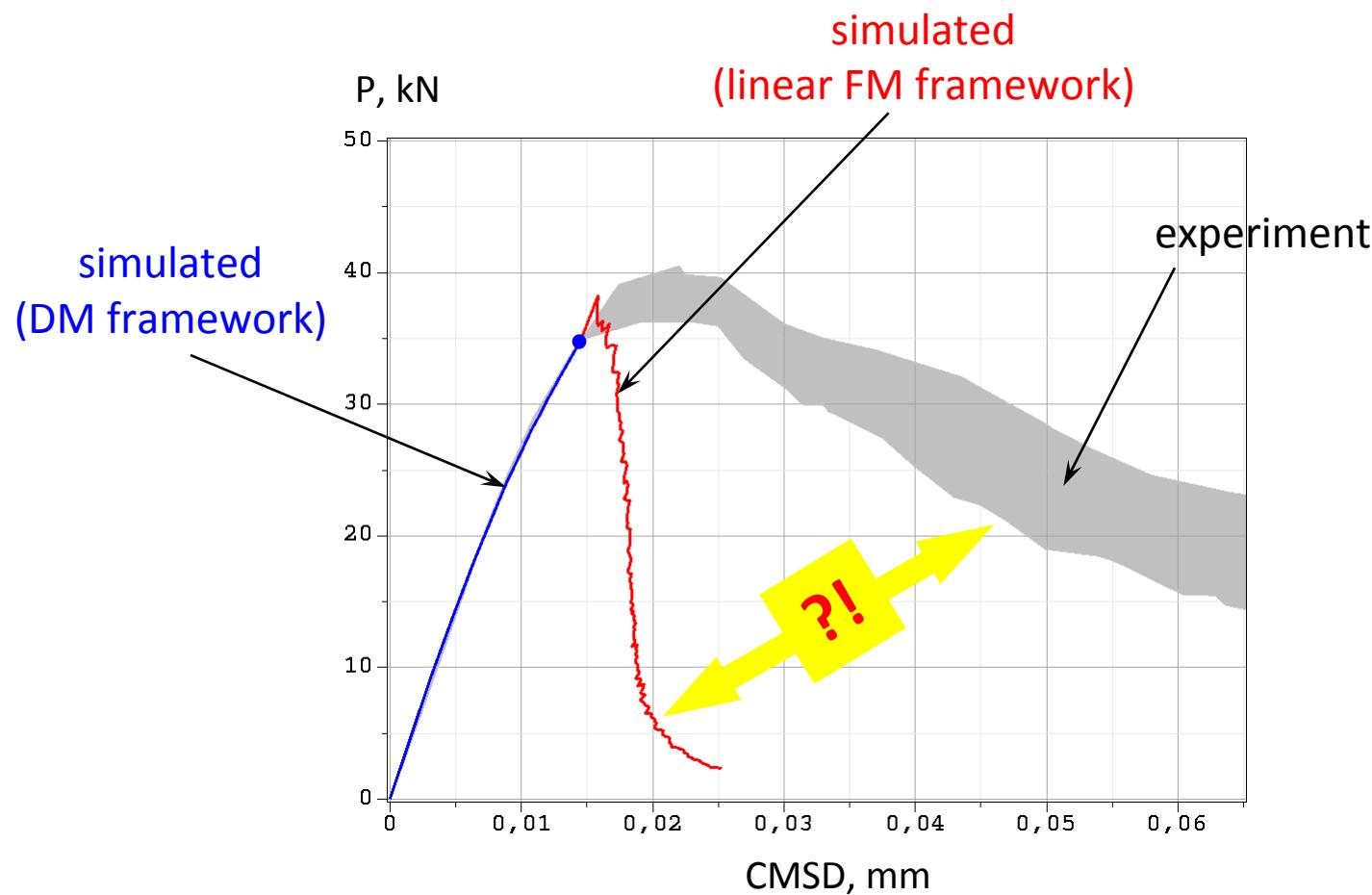
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Schlangen (1993):



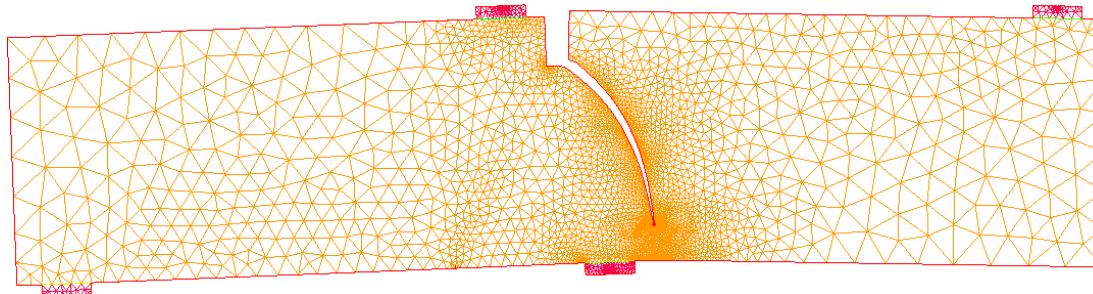
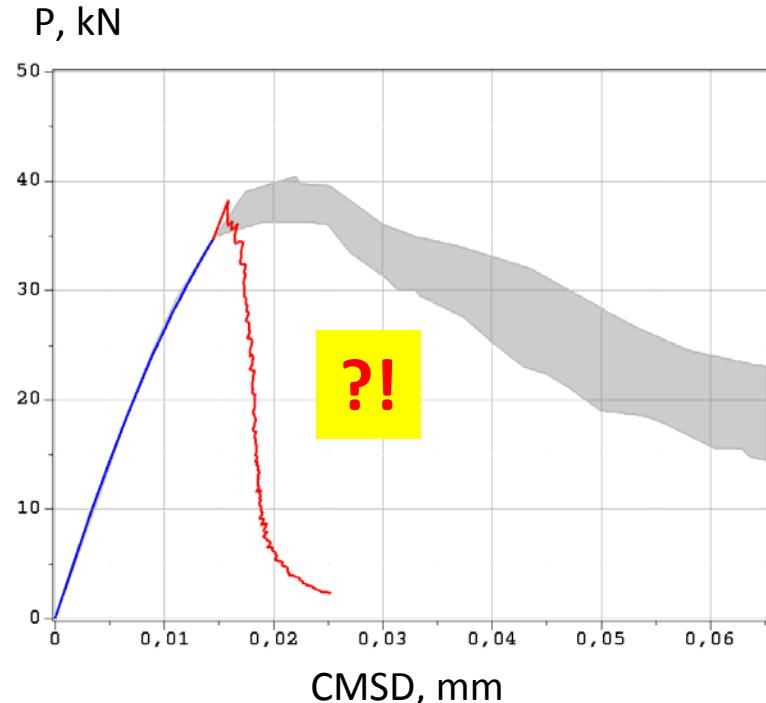
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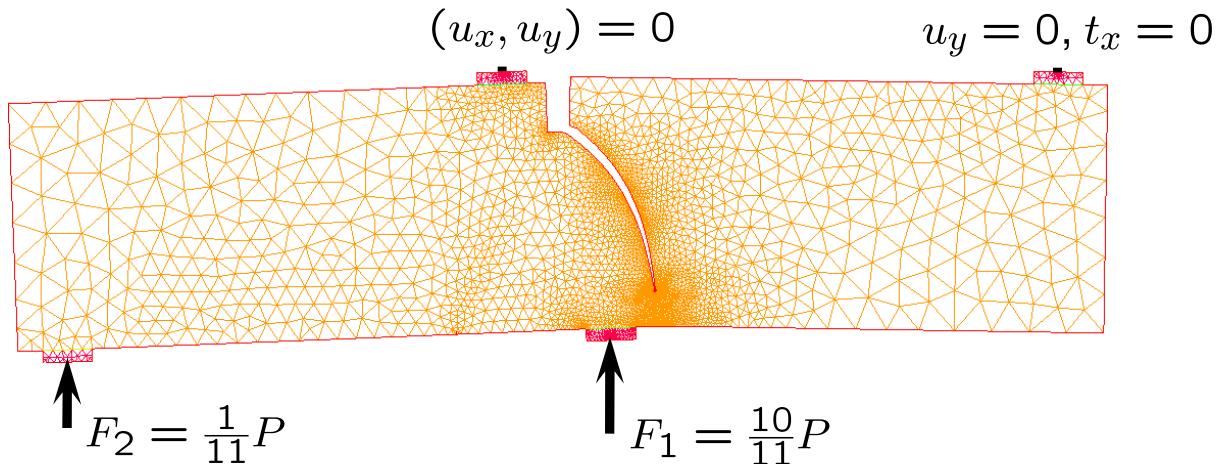
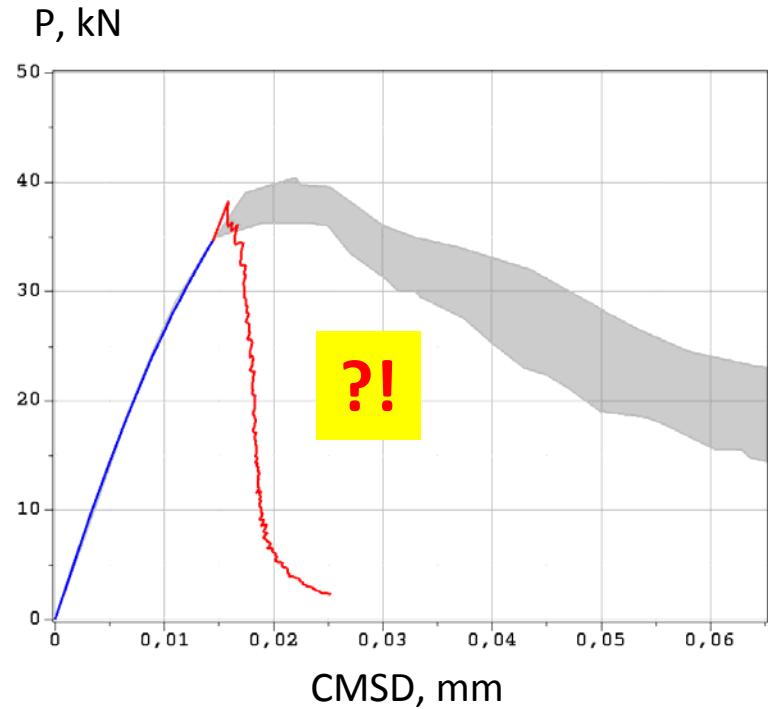
Secondary reasons for **?!:**

- **friction** between the platens and specimen is not accounted for
- J-integral computing may not be accurate enough



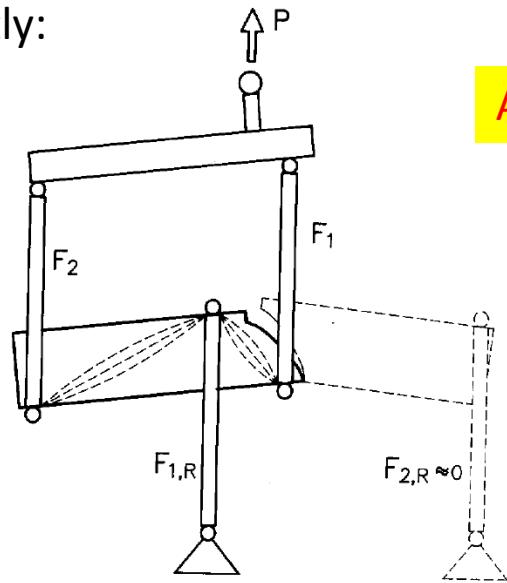
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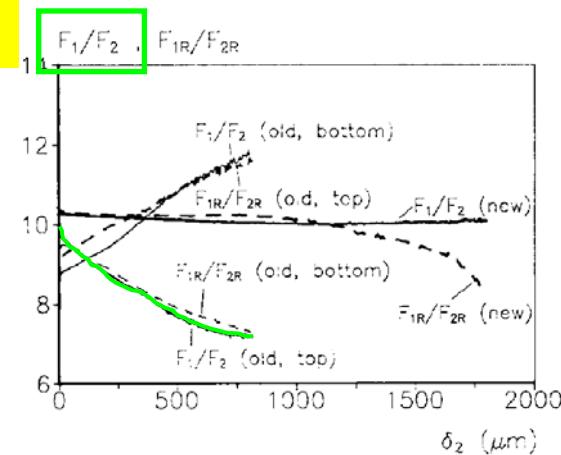


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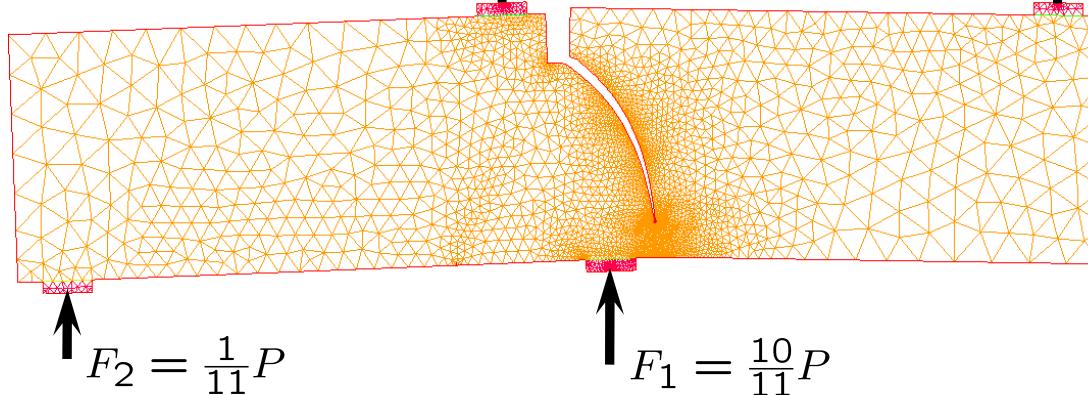


Actual:



$$(u_x, u_y) = 0$$

$$u_y = 0, t_x = 0$$

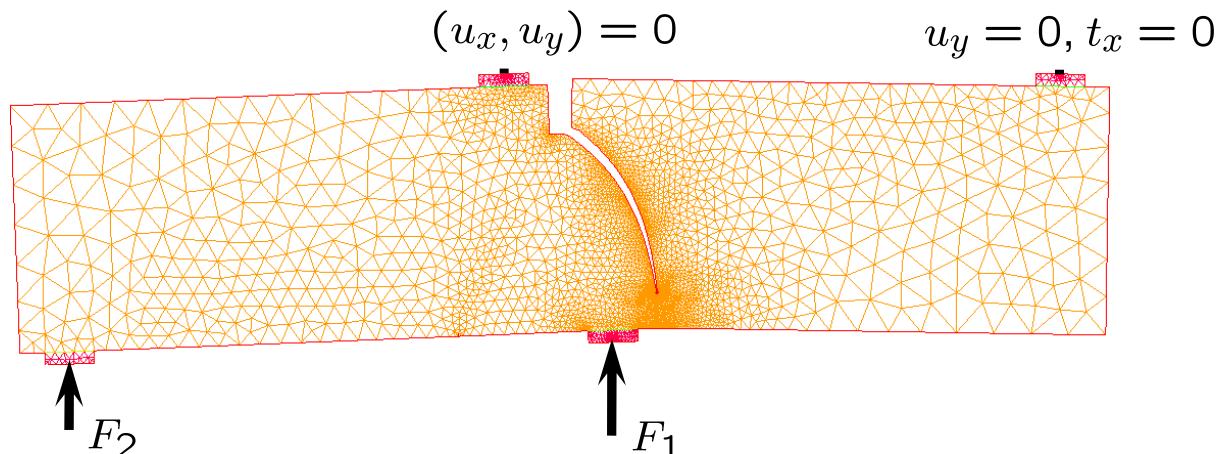
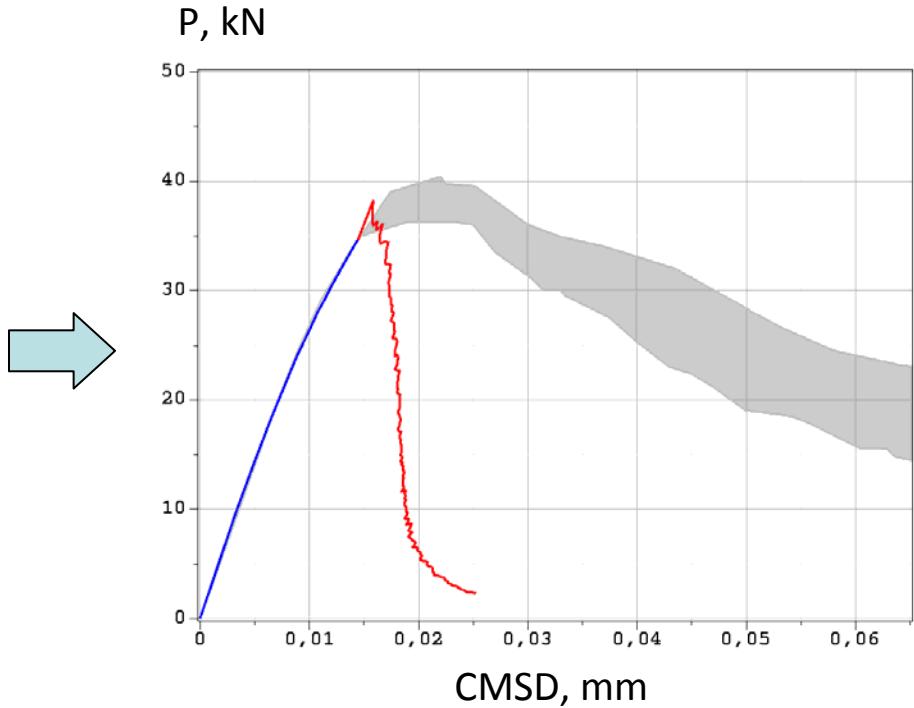
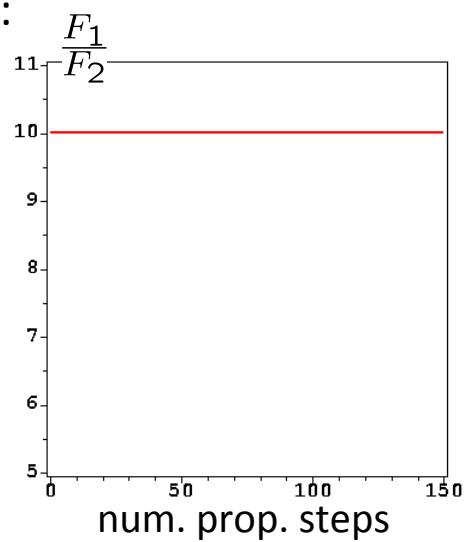


Assumed:

$$\frac{F_1}{F_2} = 10$$

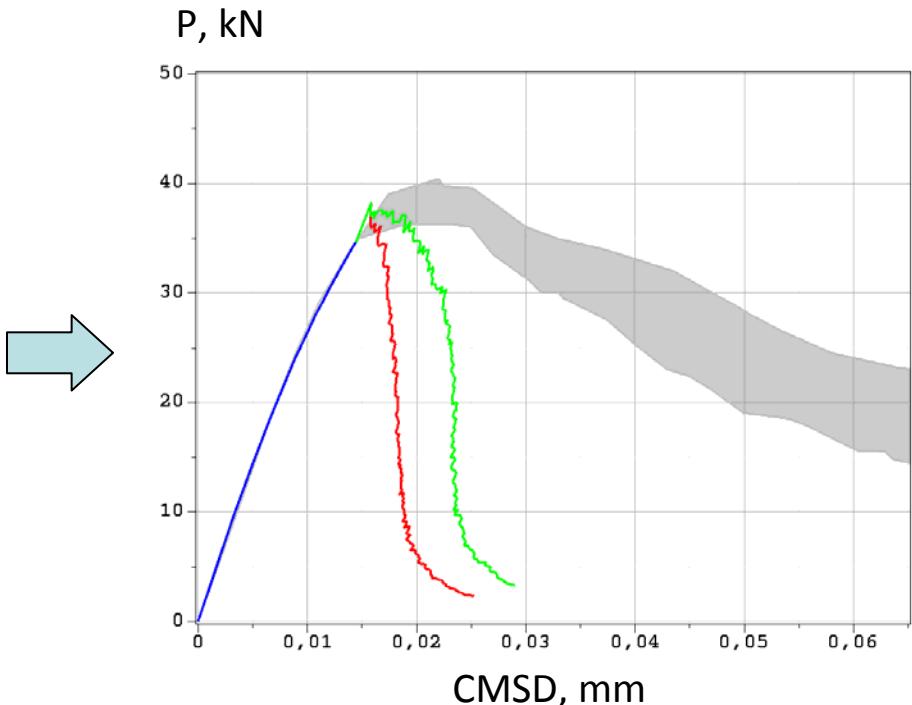
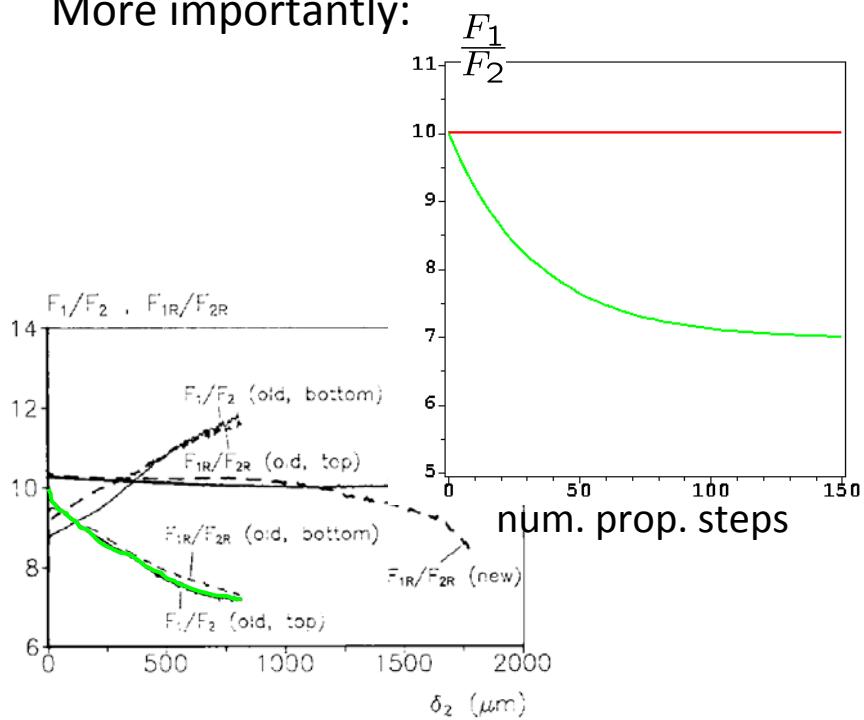
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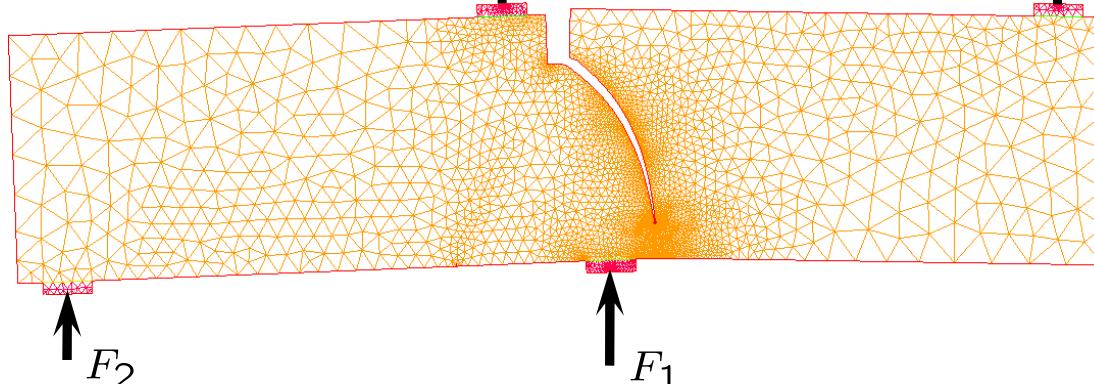
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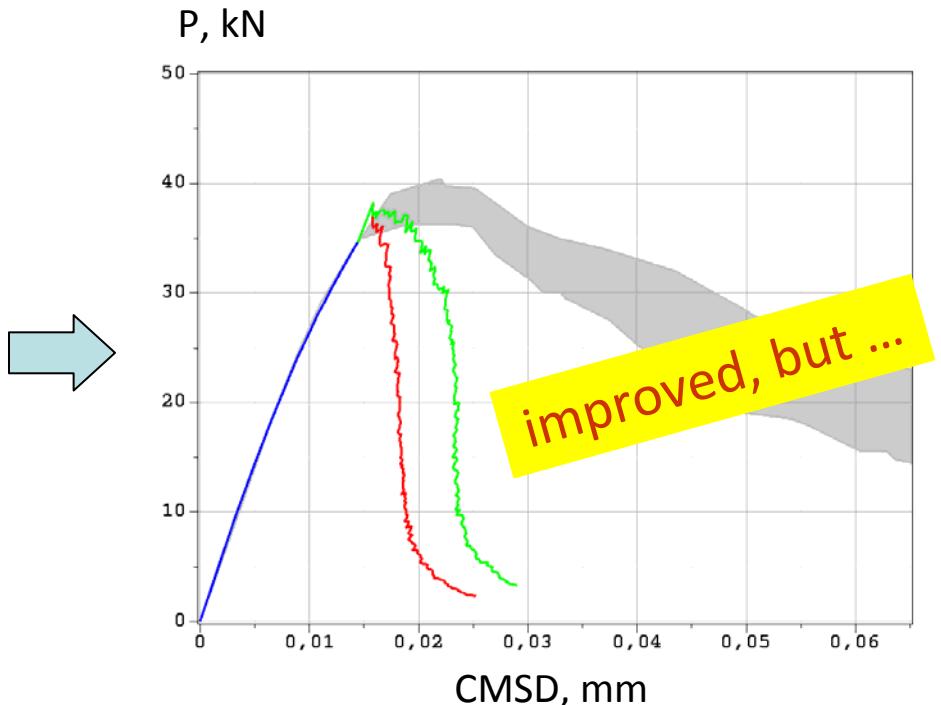
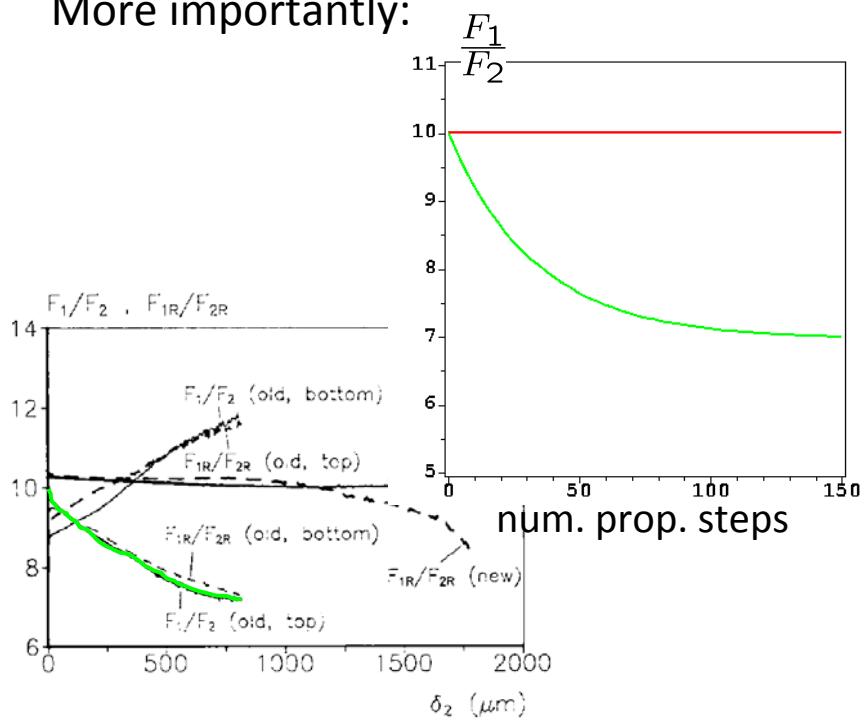
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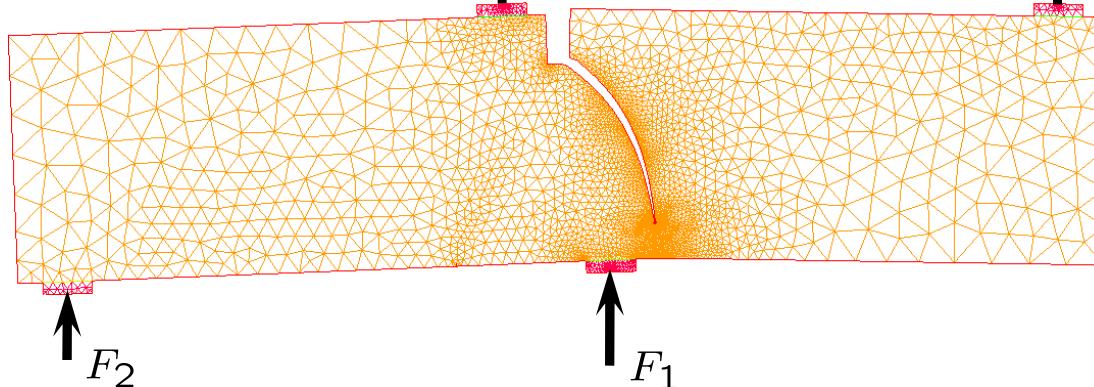
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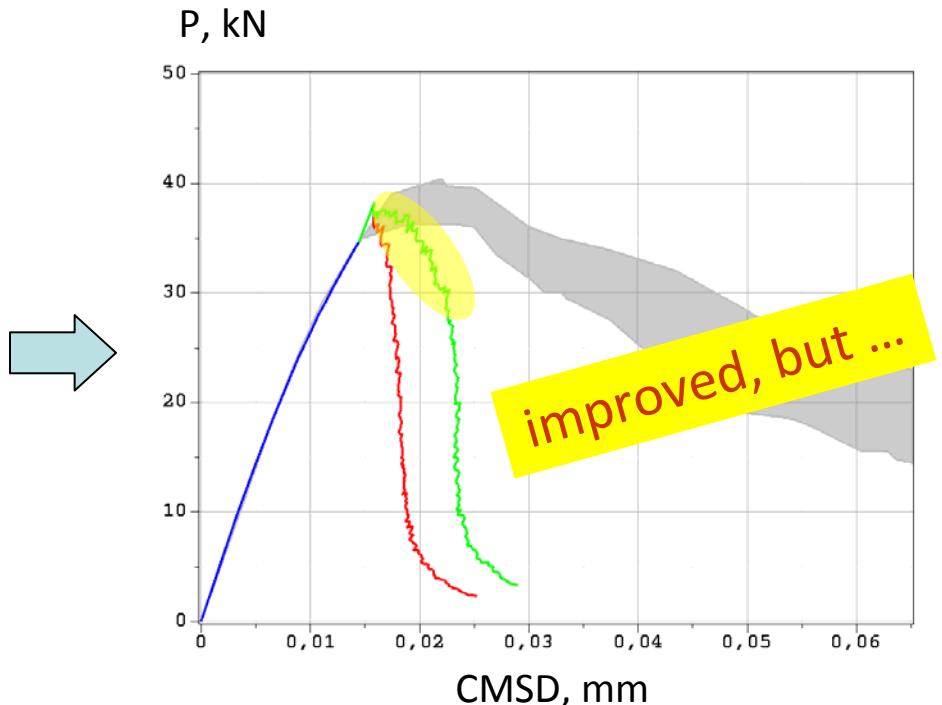
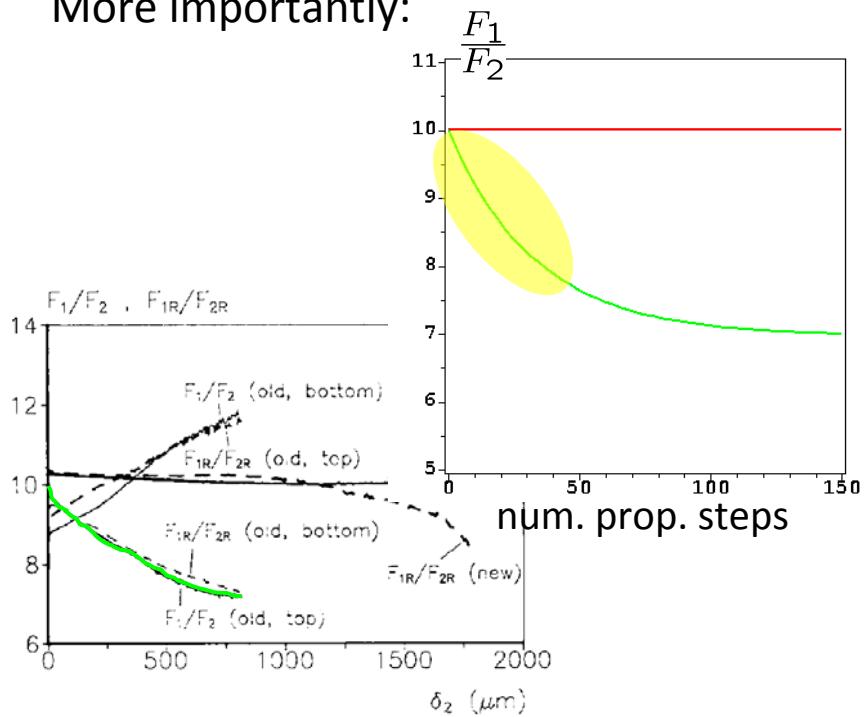
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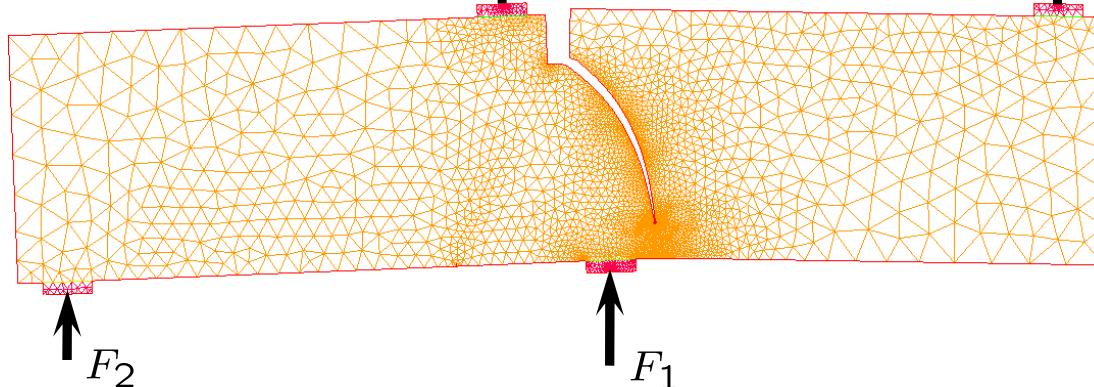
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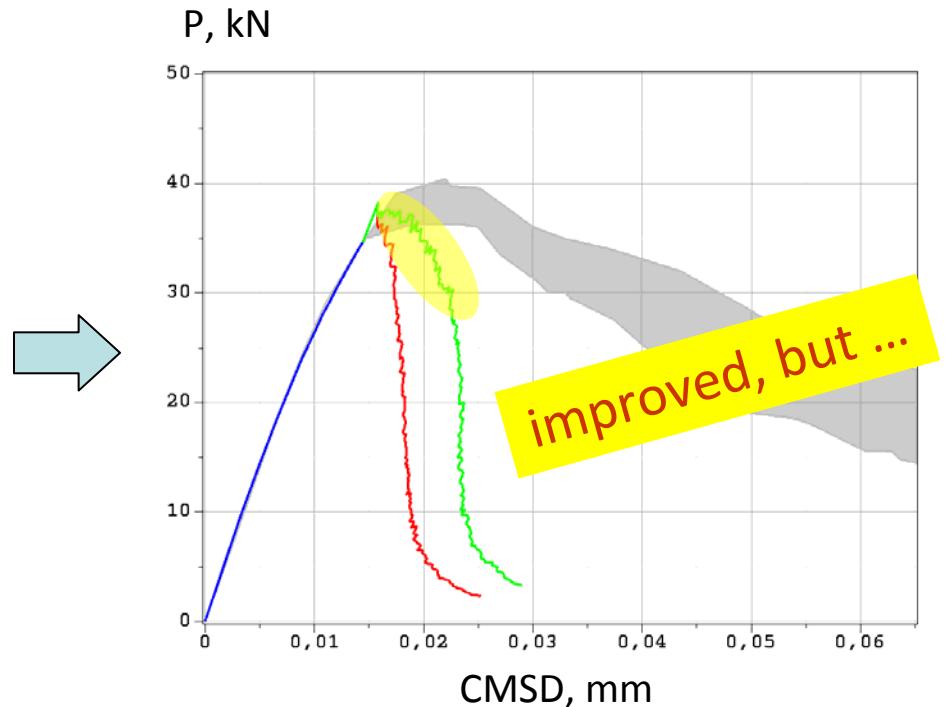
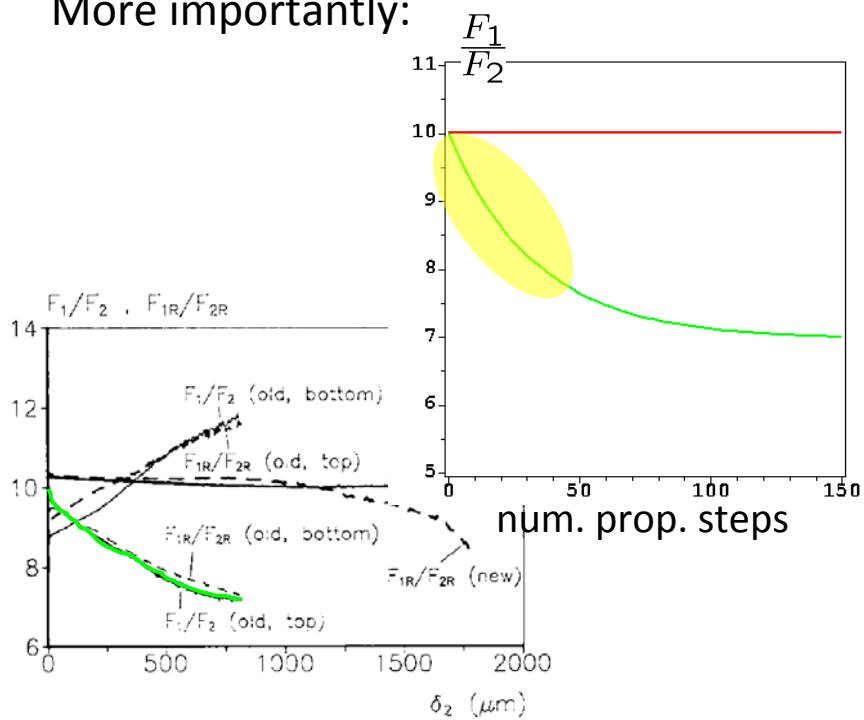
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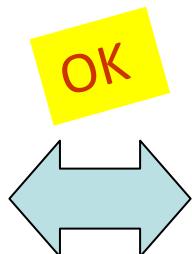
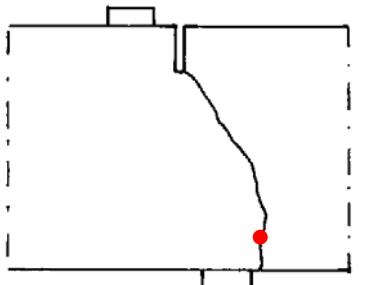


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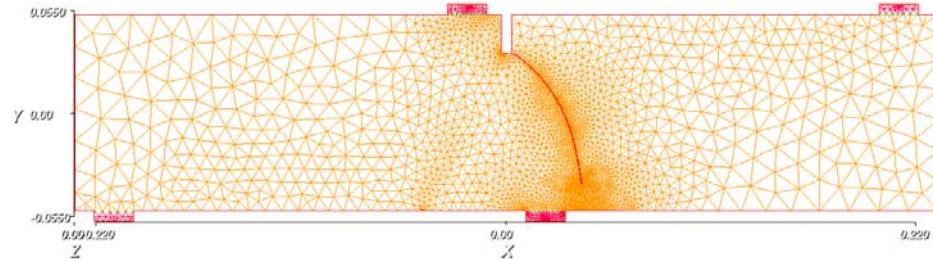
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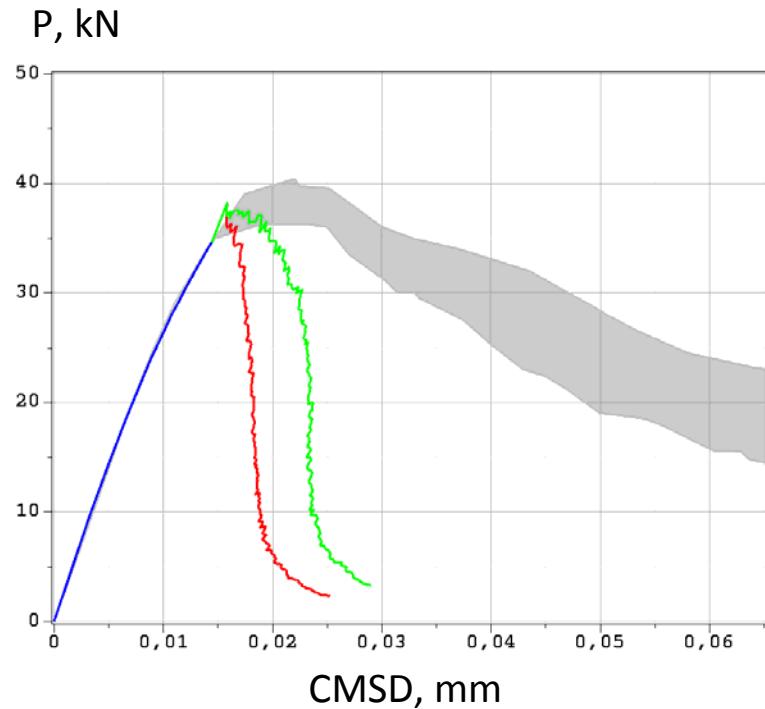


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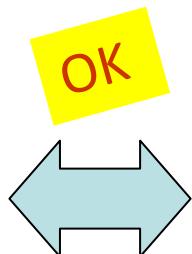
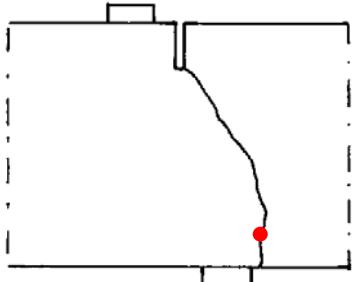


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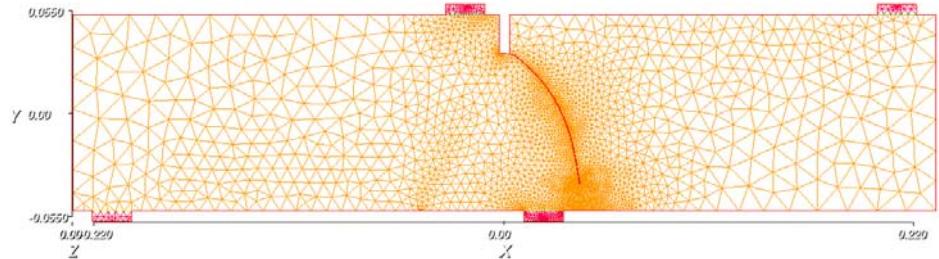
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  - propagation
2. Simple, affordable and efficient manner
3. Failure in quantitative description in the post-peak regime (inappropriate choice of a framework)



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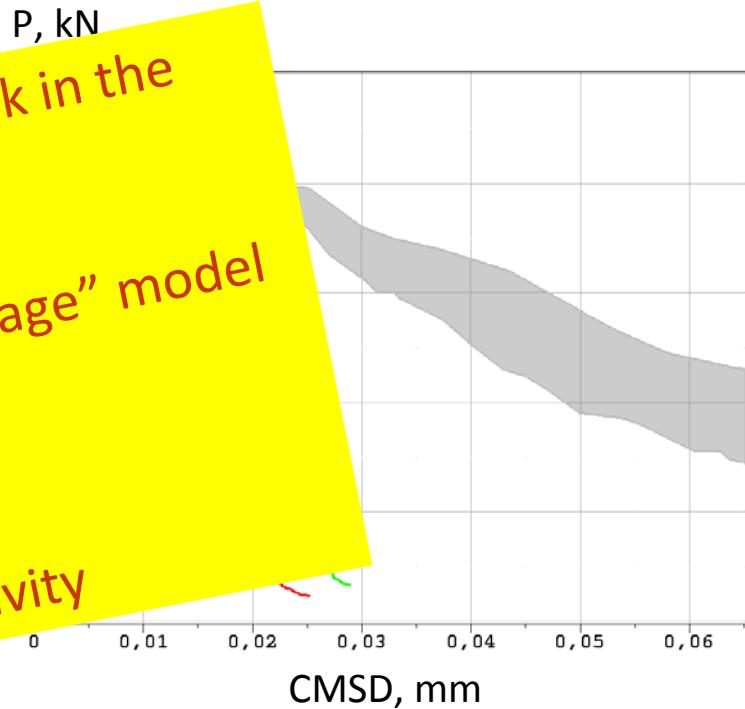


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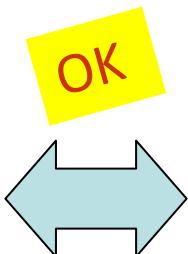
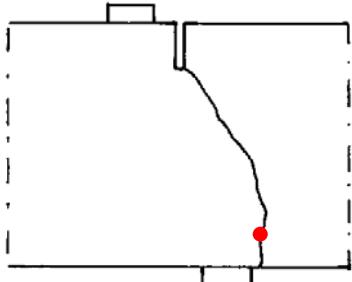


## Conclusions:

1. Correct qualitative prediction of
    - crack(s) nucleation
    - Cohesive-zone model framework in the post-peak regime
  2. Simple,
  3. Failure initiation in the post-peak regime or "Phase-field" or "gradient damage" model for the entire failure process  
in the post-peak regime  
choice of a
- but, in any case,  
• with error-controlled adaptivity



Schlangen (1993):



Computed crack pattern:

