

# Bulk Evolution of Fabric and Stress Derived from Contact Migration Rules

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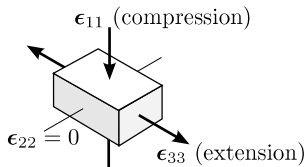
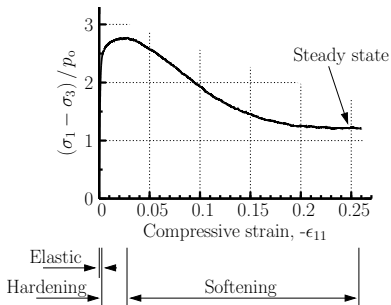
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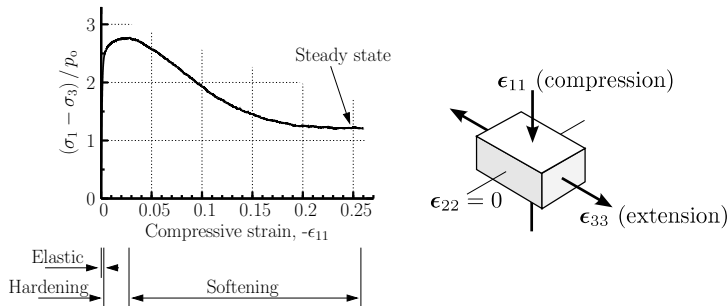
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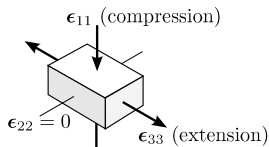
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Intended range of the model: **Deviatoric post-peak behavior**

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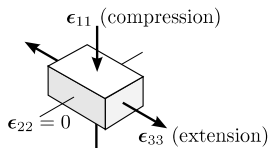
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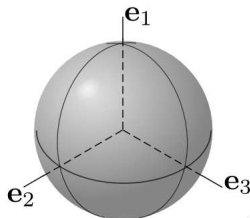
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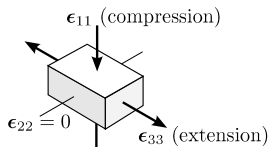
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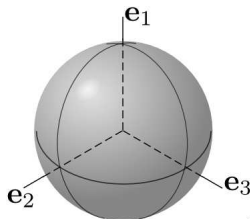
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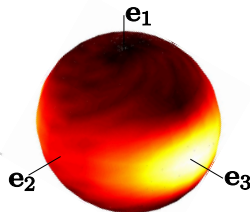
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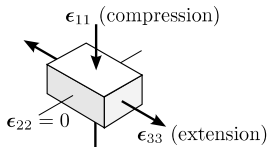


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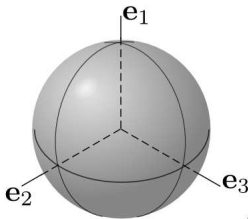


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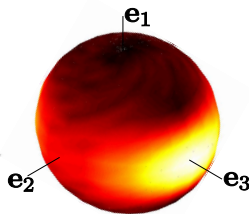
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Fabric anisotropy  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{contact density} \\ \text{contact force density} \end{array} \right.$

## Introduction — Current study

### Questions:

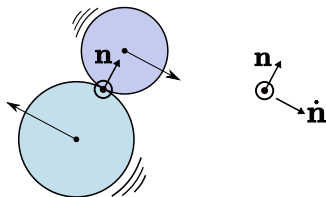
- How/why does granular fabric evolve?
- Relationship between the changing fabric and the bulk stress?

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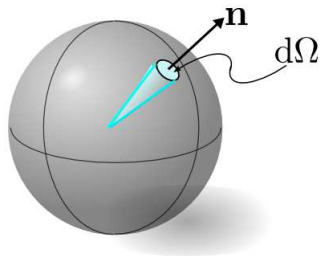
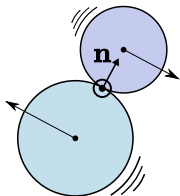
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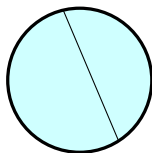
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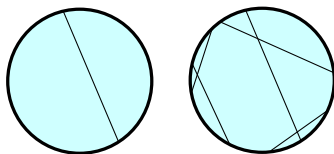
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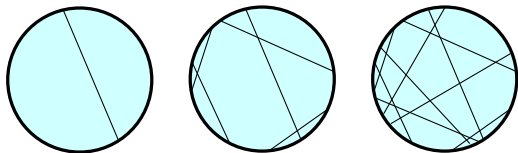
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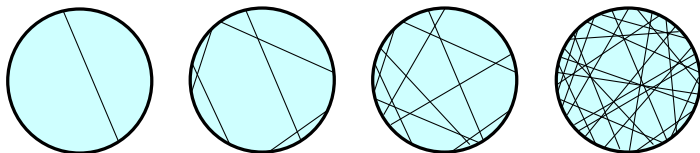
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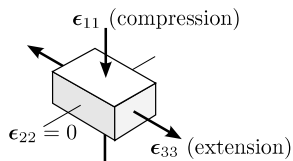
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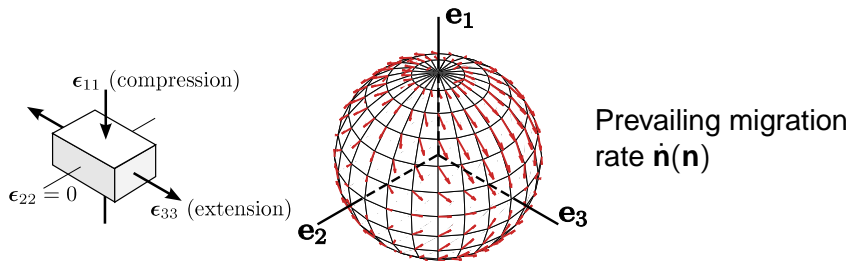
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Prevailing contact movement — **DEM results:**

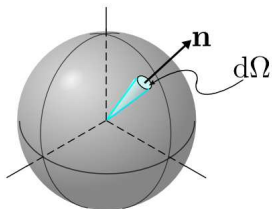
$$\dot{\mathbf{n}}(\mathbf{n}) \approx \alpha \underbrace{(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{n})}_{\text{Projection tensor}} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{n}}_{\text{Movement vector}}$$

Bulk deformation

$\alpha = 1.5$

# Principles — Fabric evolution

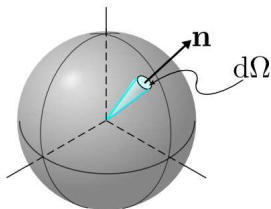
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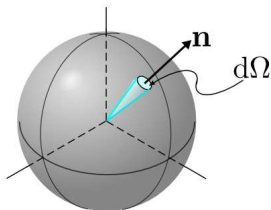


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Example:  $\hat{g}(\mathbf{n}) =$  number of contacts per *particle* per *area* of unit sphere

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Ma and Zhang (2006)

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**Material** (source) density rate:

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Divergence & convection rates:

$$\left. \frac{\partial \hat{g}(\mathbf{n})}{\partial t} \right|_{\mathbf{n}} = \dots$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial \hat{g}(\mathbf{n})}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{matl}} - (\nabla \cdot \dot{\mathbf{n}}) \hat{g}(\mathbf{n}) - \dot{\mathbf{n}} \cdot (\nabla \hat{g}(\mathbf{n})) + \left( \frac{\partial \hat{g}(\mathbf{n})}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{diffusion}}$$

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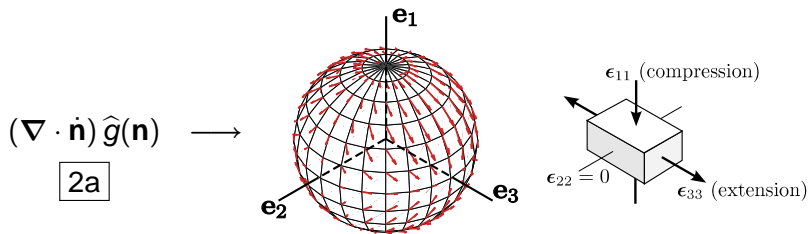
$$(\nabla \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \hat{g}(\mathbf{n})$$

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$$\dot{\mathbf{n}} \cdot (\nabla \hat{g}(\mathbf{n})) \longrightarrow$$

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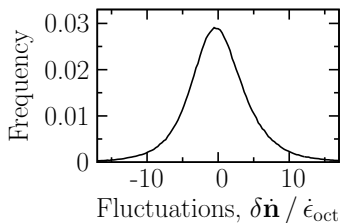
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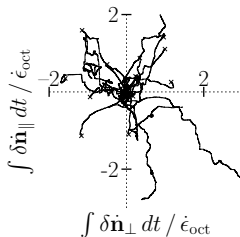
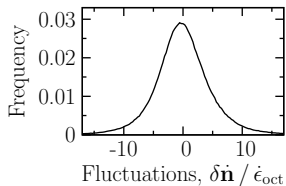
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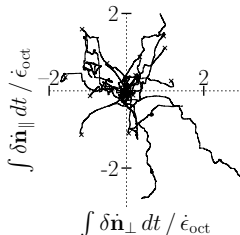
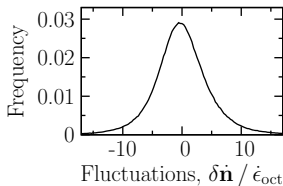
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$$\left( \frac{\partial \hat{g}(\mathbf{n})}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{diffusion}} = D_g \nabla^2 \hat{g}(\mathbf{n}) \dot{\epsilon}, \quad D_g = 0.03$$

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## Calibration — force rates

Evolution of **normal force density**:

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Normal force material rate — DEM results:

$$\left( \frac{\partial \widehat{f}^n}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{matl}} \approx \beta k^n \underbrace{\mathbf{n} (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{n})}_{\text{Mean-field rate}}$$

$\mathbf{n} (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{n})$  ← Bulk deformation  
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$  ← Mean-field rate

$$k^n = \left[ \frac{3G^2 \bar{\ell}^4}{(1-\nu)^2} \widehat{f}^n(\mathbf{n}) (\widehat{g}(\mathbf{n}))^2 \right]^{1/3}$$

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$\beta \approx 0.0024$

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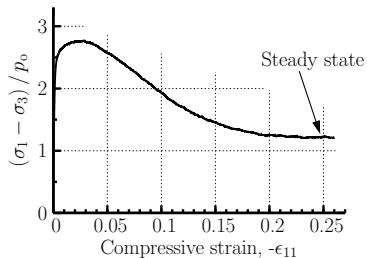
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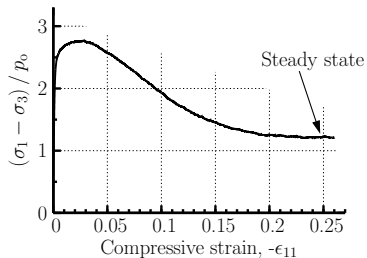
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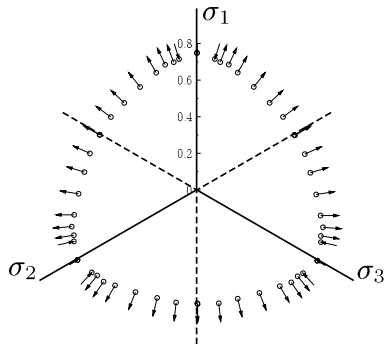
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## Application — Intermediate principal stress

$$\begin{aligned}
\left. \frac{\partial \hat{f}^n(\mathbf{n})}{\partial t} \right|_{\mathbf{n}} &= 0.0024 \left[ \frac{3G^2 \bar{\ell}^4}{(1-\nu)^2} \hat{f}^n(\mathbf{n}) (\hat{g}(\mathbf{n}))^2 \right]^{1/3} \mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{n}) \\
&+ 0.68 \hat{f}^n(\mathbf{n}) \frac{|1.5 (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{n}) \cdot (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{n})|^2}{\dot{\epsilon}} \\
&+ (3 \times 1.5) \mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{n}) \hat{f}^n(\mathbf{n}) \\
&- 1.5 (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{n}) \cdot (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{n}) \cdot (\nabla \hat{f}^n(\mathbf{n})) \\
&+ 0.03 (\nabla^2 \hat{f}^n(\mathbf{n})) \dot{\epsilon} \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

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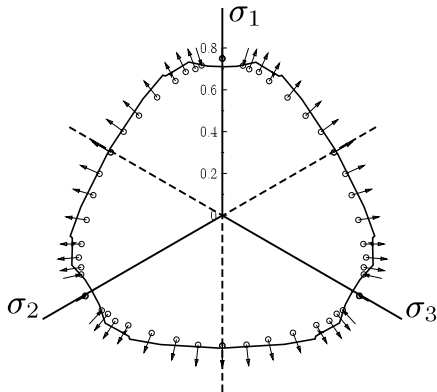
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- Coupled non-linear PDEs on the 2D unit sphere
- Solution depends on the “data”  $D$ : the bulk deformation
- Solve for the density distributions  $\hat{g}(\mathbf{n})$ ,  $\hat{f}^n(\mathbf{n})$ , and  $\hat{f}^t(\mathbf{n})$
- Use  $\hat{f}^n(\mathbf{n})$  and  $\hat{f}^t(\mathbf{n})$  to find the corresponding stress  $\sigma$

# Application — Intermediate principal stress

Solution of PDEs:



# Conclusions

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- A model for fabric evolution
- Based on transport of contact and force densities
- Calibrated with DEM
- Reasonable prediction of effect of intermediate principal stress



# Questions?