



MISS – Project

Minderung der Störwirkung von Windenergieanlagen auf seismologische Stationen

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Mitigation of effects on the travel path – a theoretical approach

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MISS: Mitigation of induced seismic signals

Trying to avoid or reduce windturbine noise

- at the station (filters)
- at the source (metamaterials)
- on the way (metamaterials)



Photos from Simon Kremers



What are metamaterials?

Engineered materials that
have unique properties **not**
found in nature

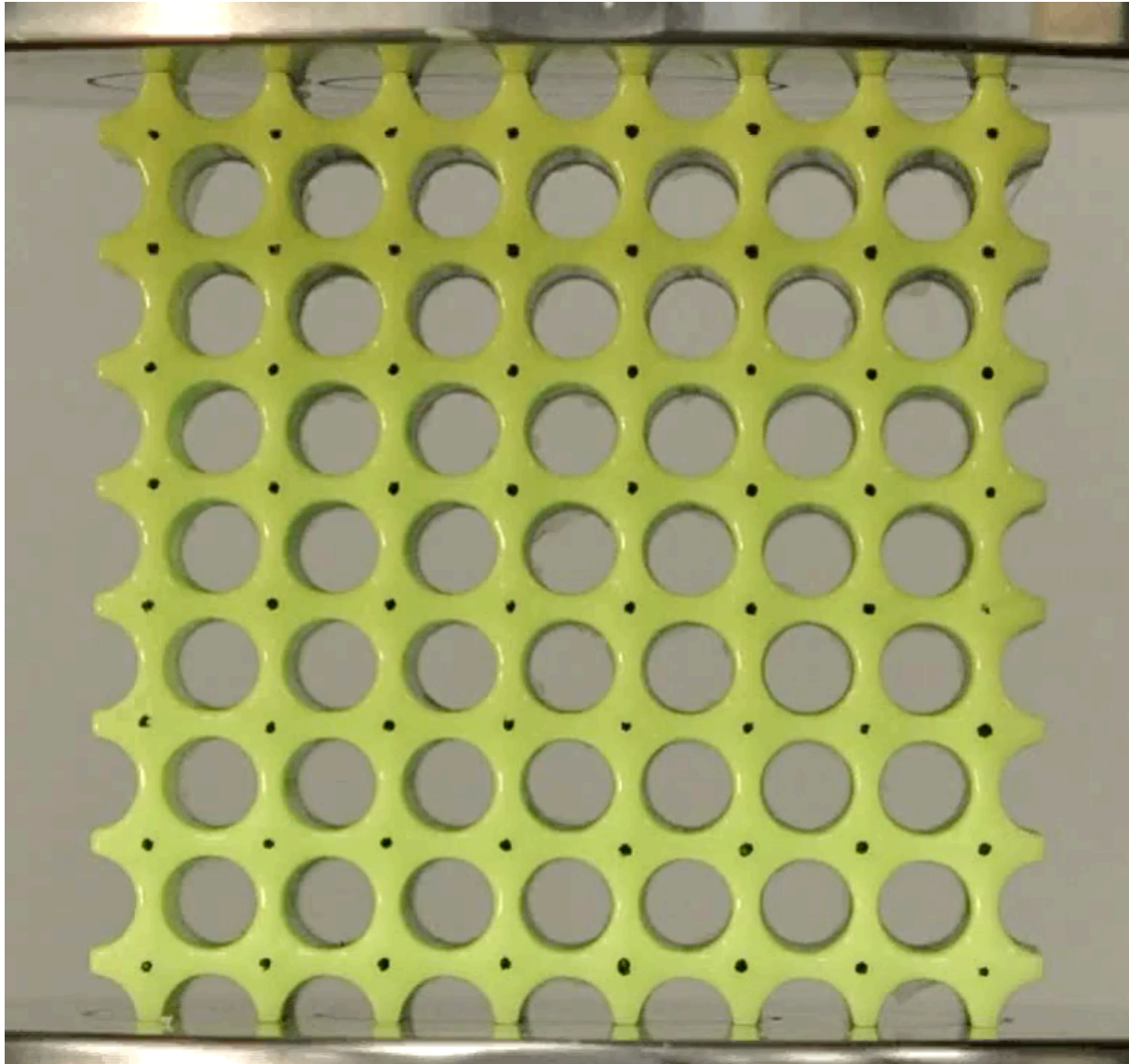
Types of metamaterials

✓ **Electromagnetic**

✓ **Acoustic**

✓ **Elastic**

Elastic metamaterials

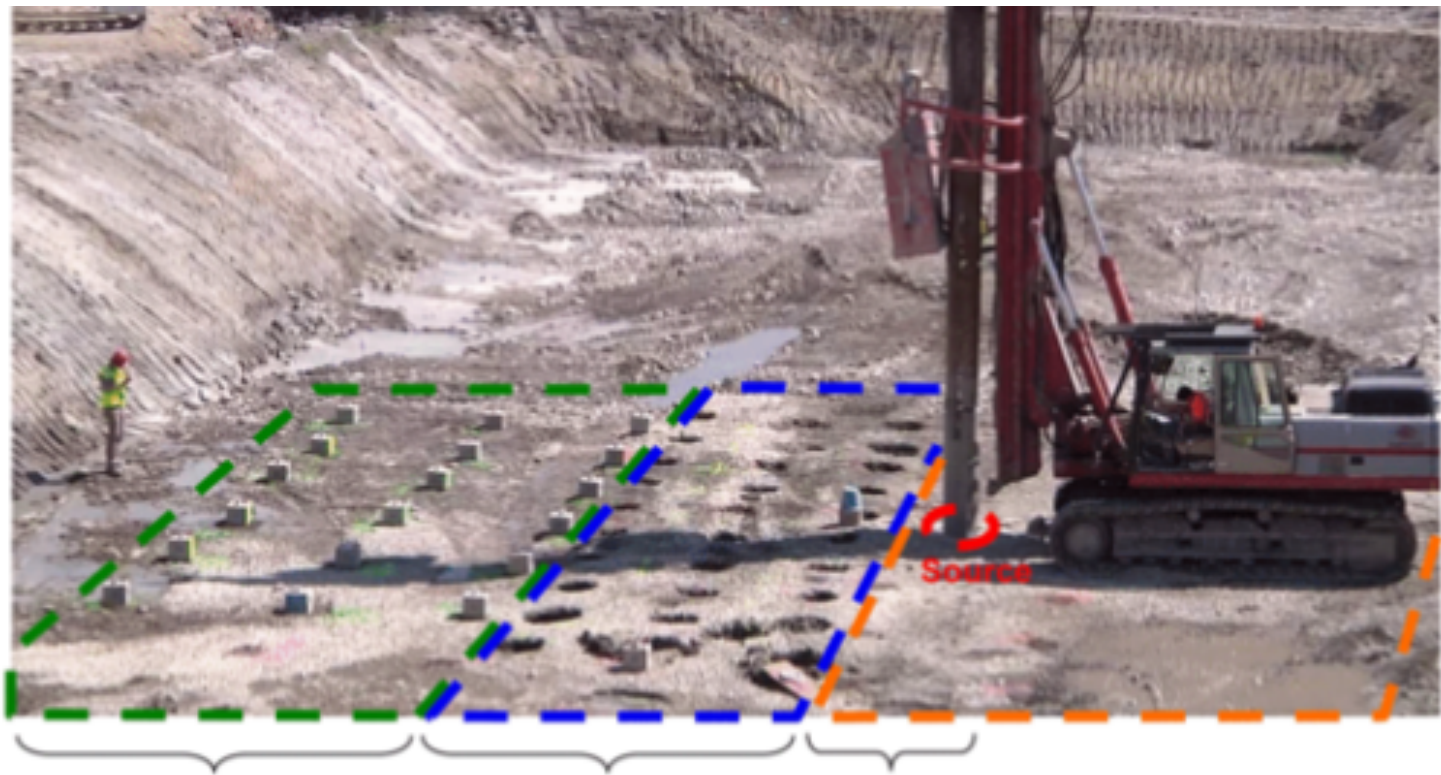


Types of seismic metamaterials

- **Seismic soil metamaterials**
- **Above surface resonators**
- **Buried mass resonators**

Seismic soil metamaterials

Previous experiments near the alpine city of Grenoble (France) August 2015



Sensitive three components velocimeters (green grid)

Five meters deep 320 mm holes

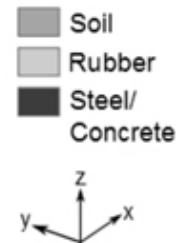
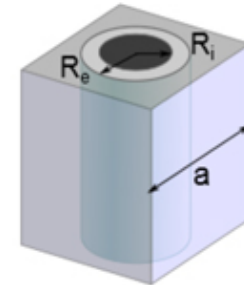
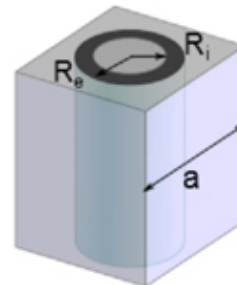
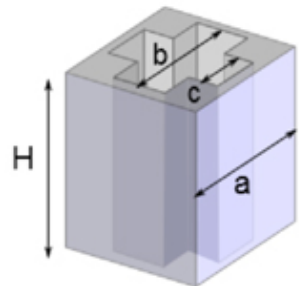
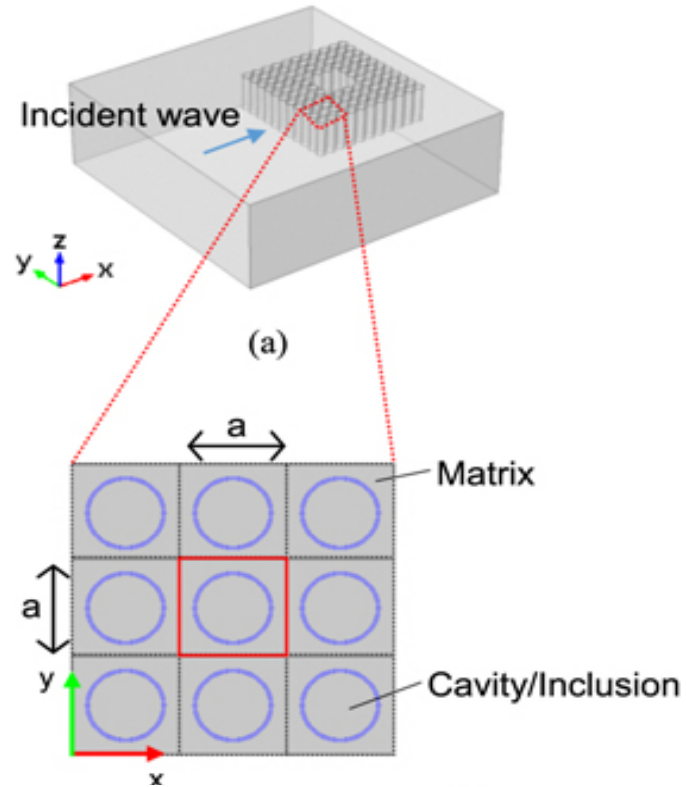
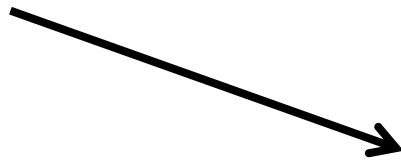
Source :
- Frequency : 50 Hz
- Horizontal displacement : 14 mm

First realistic numerical experiment

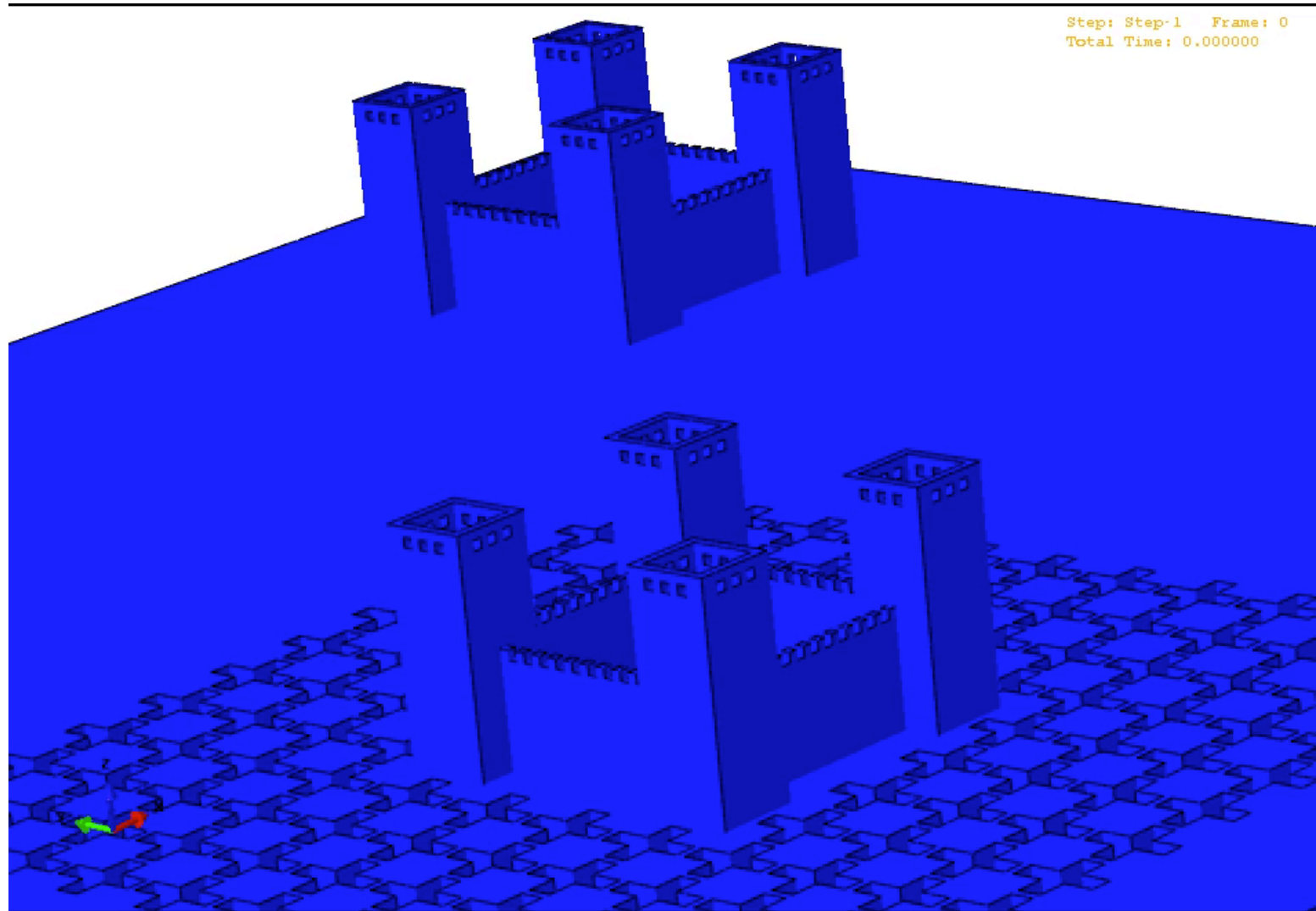
Miniacci et al. (2016). Large scale mechanical metamaterials as seismic shields

To study the combination of different materials and shapes

different shapes and materials

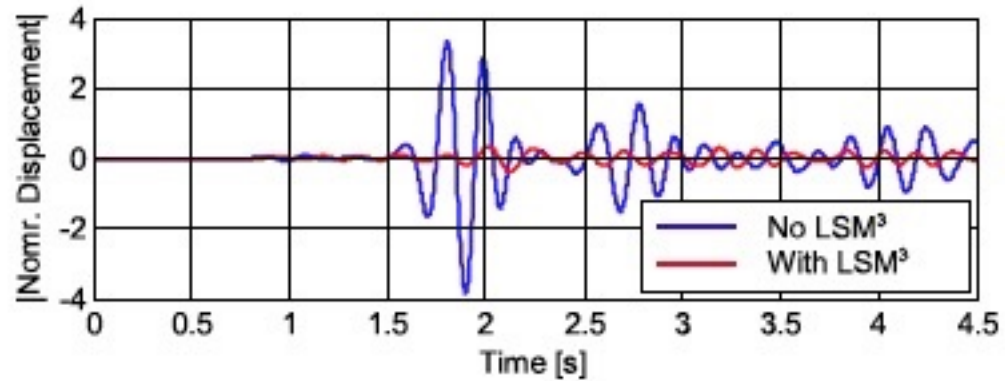
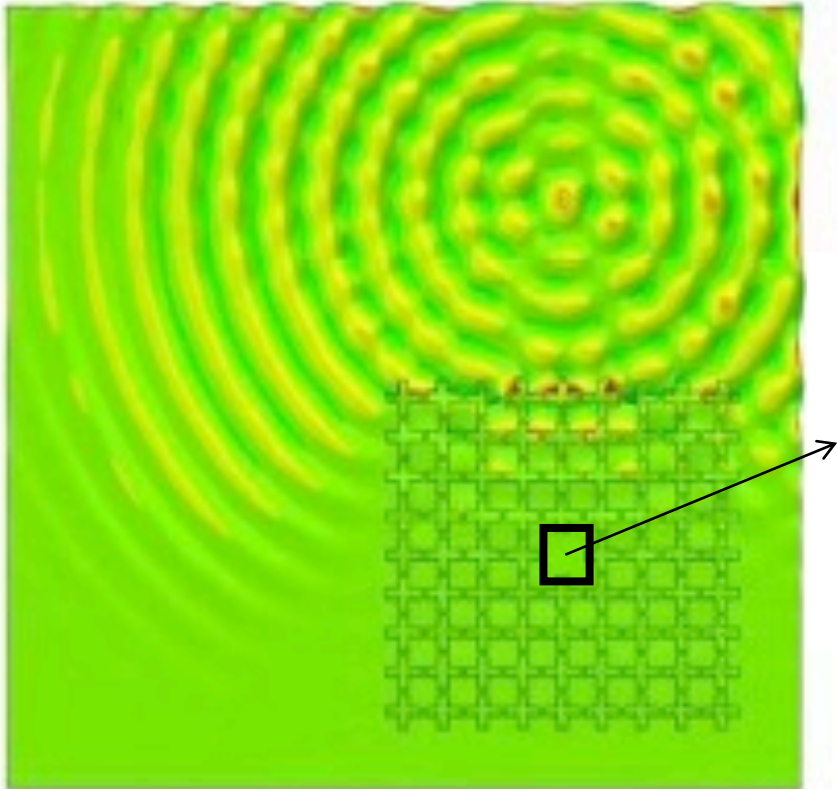


Seismic soil-metamaterials



RESULTS

Finite element simulation at 5Hz



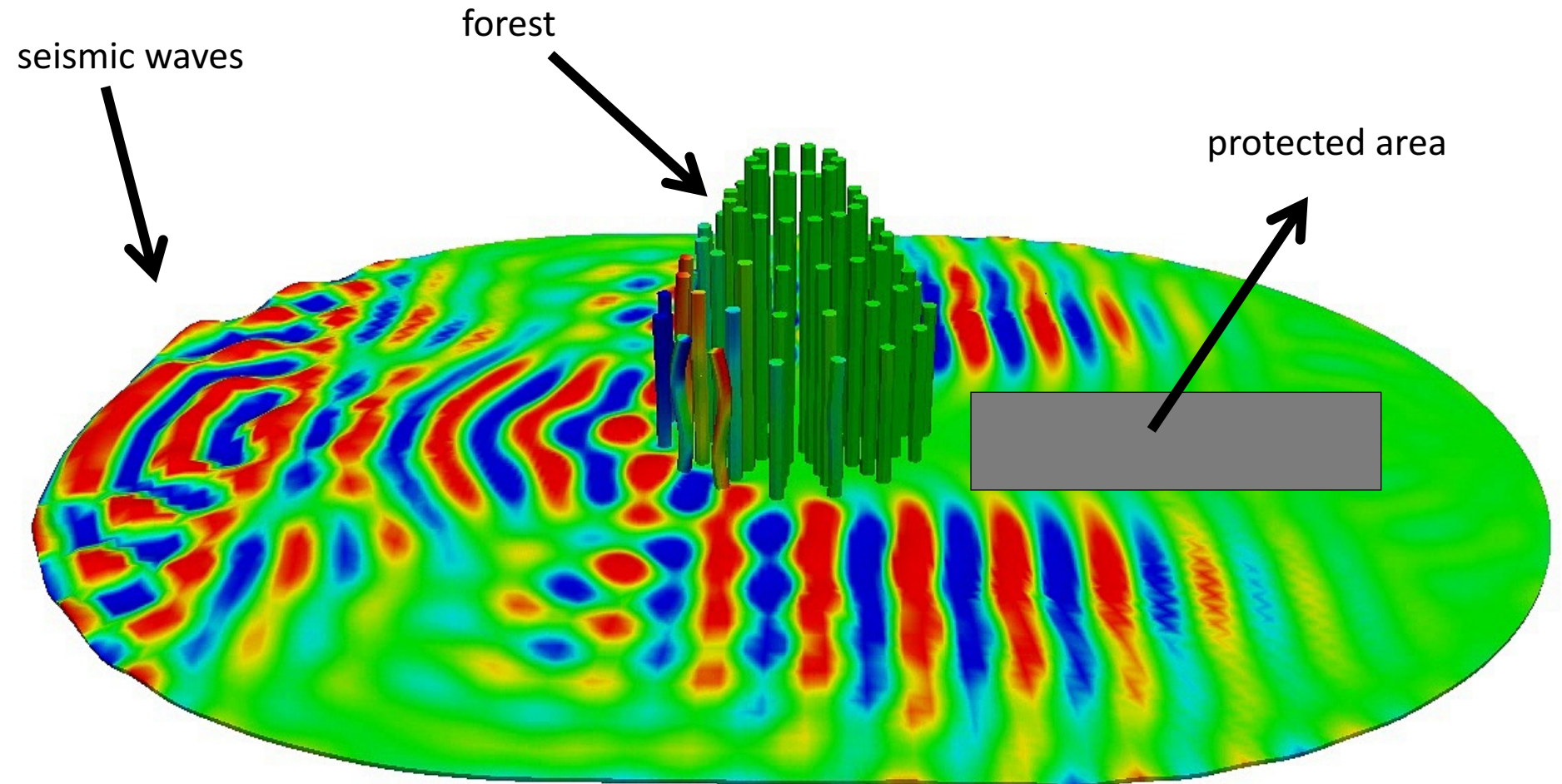
LSM- Large Scale Metamaterial

Dimensions of 200 x 200 x 100 m³

9x9 grid of metamaterials of 10m deep

Above surface resonators

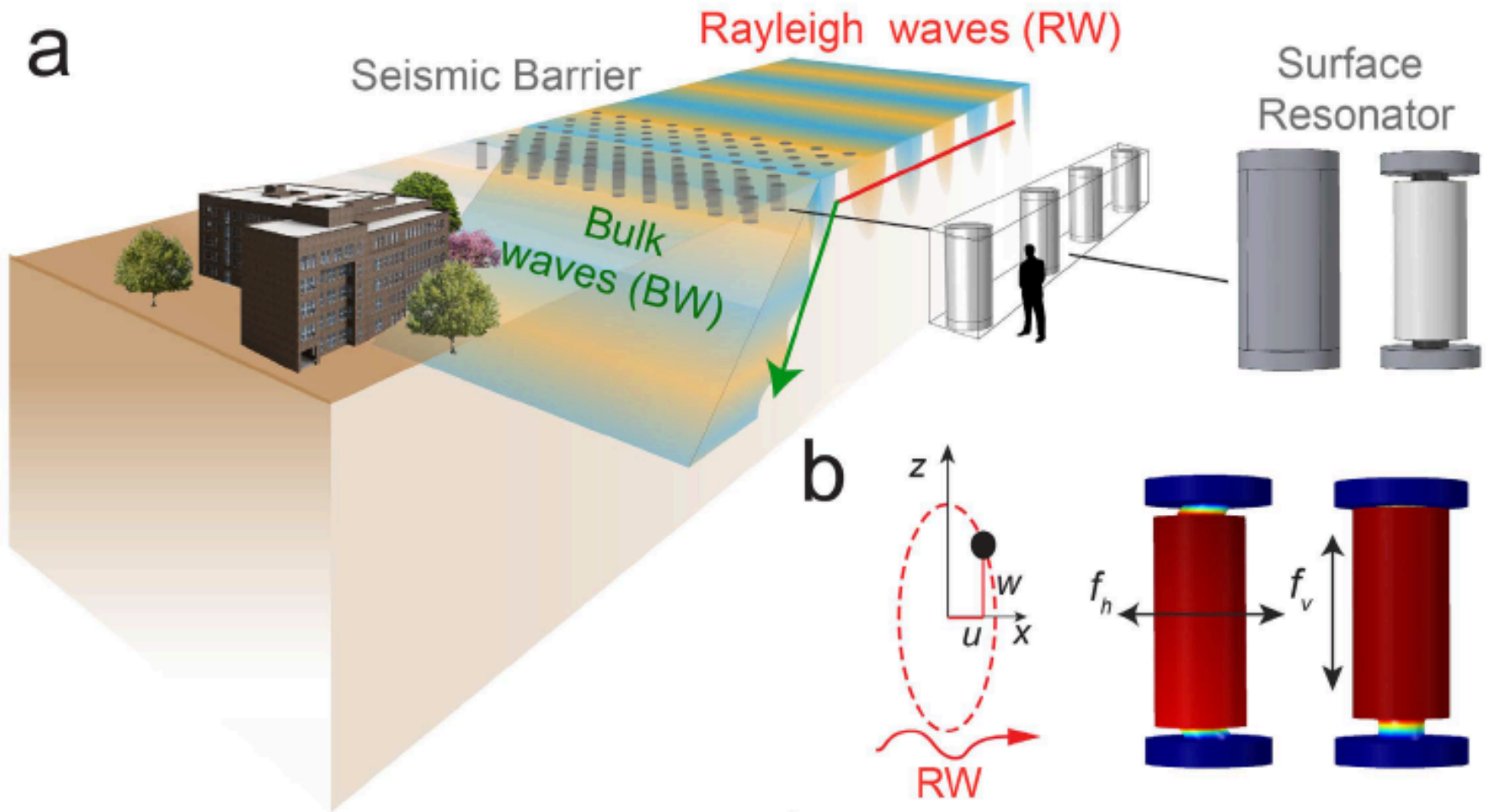
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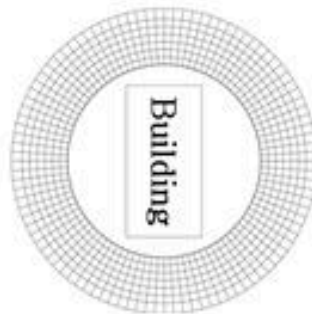
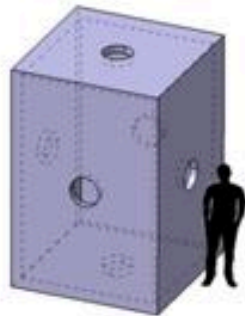
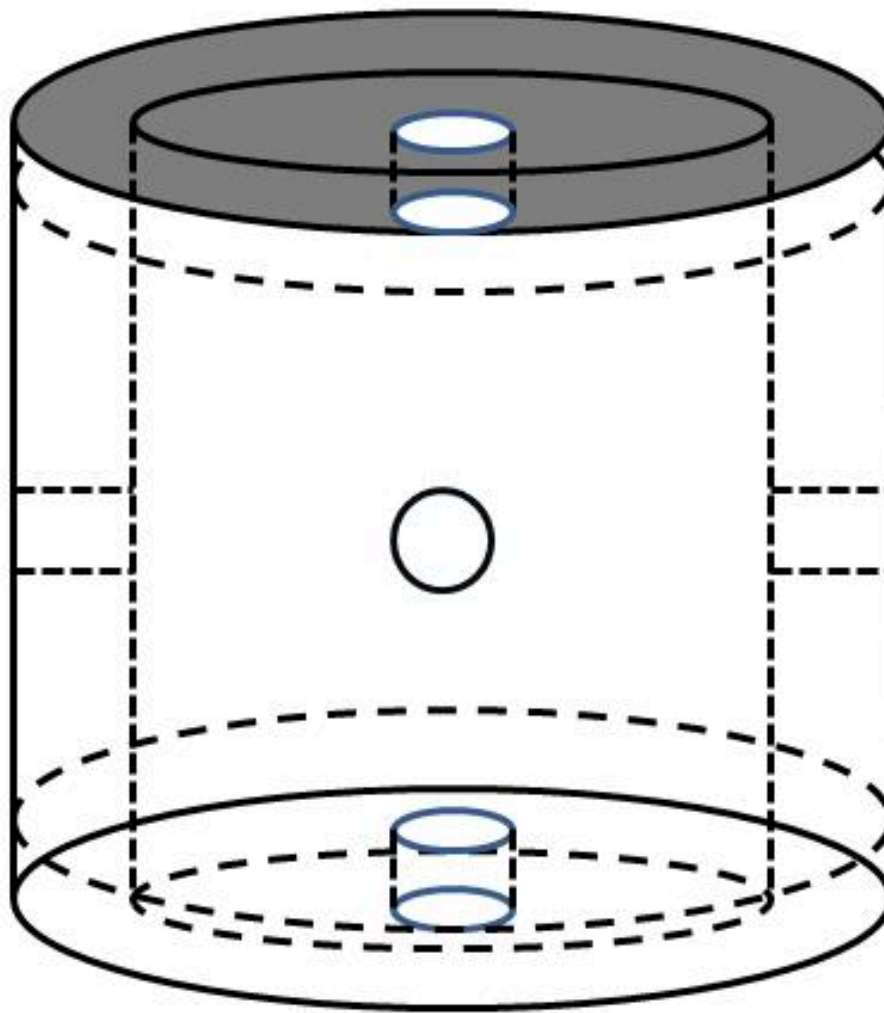


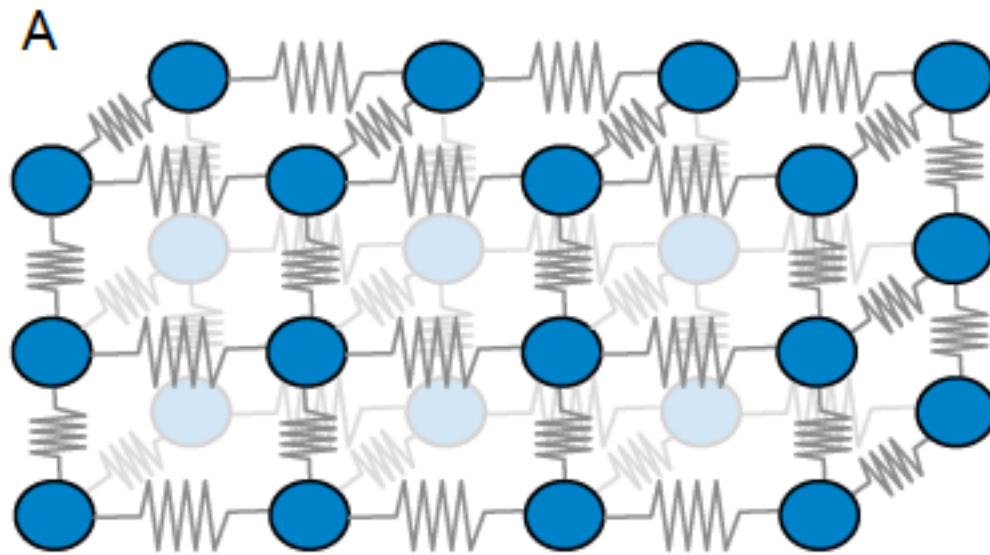
Forests as seismic metamaterials



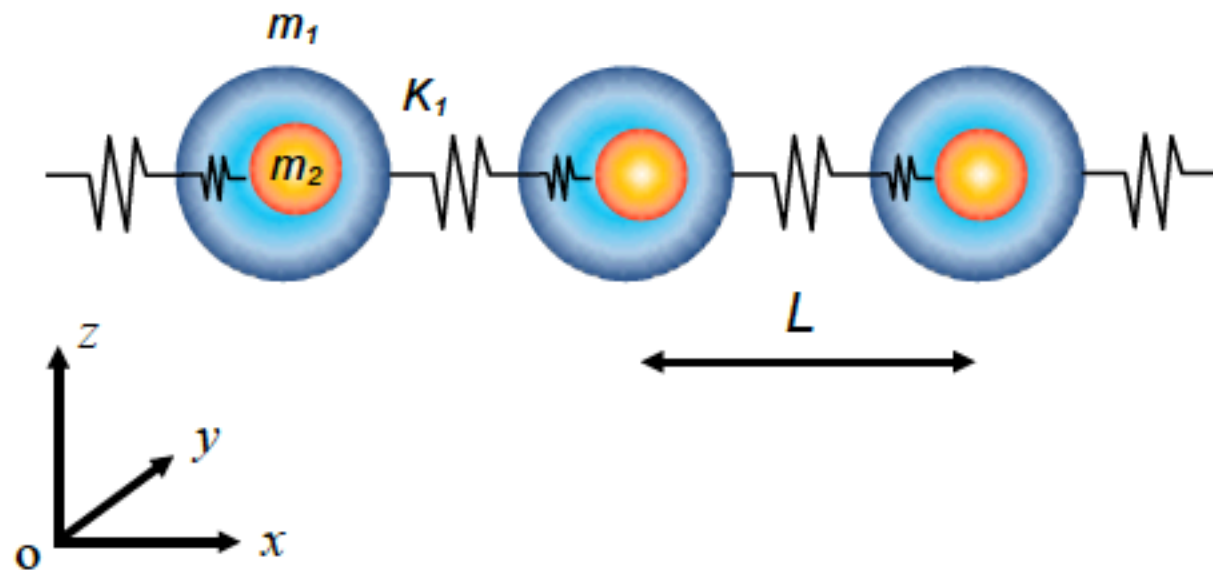
Buried mass resonators







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**How do we
numerically design
metamaterials?**

- ✓ **Base your design on a theory of wave propagation** (electromagnetic, acoustic, elastic,...)
- ✓ **Perform numerical simulations**
 - **Code installation (development)**
 - **Mesh generation**
 - **Parameter selection**
 - **Run simulations**
- ✓ **Predictions** (and most probably redesign)

Theory of wave propagation: Conventional elasticity

$$\rho \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = \nabla \cdot \sigma$$

$$\sigma = C : \epsilon$$

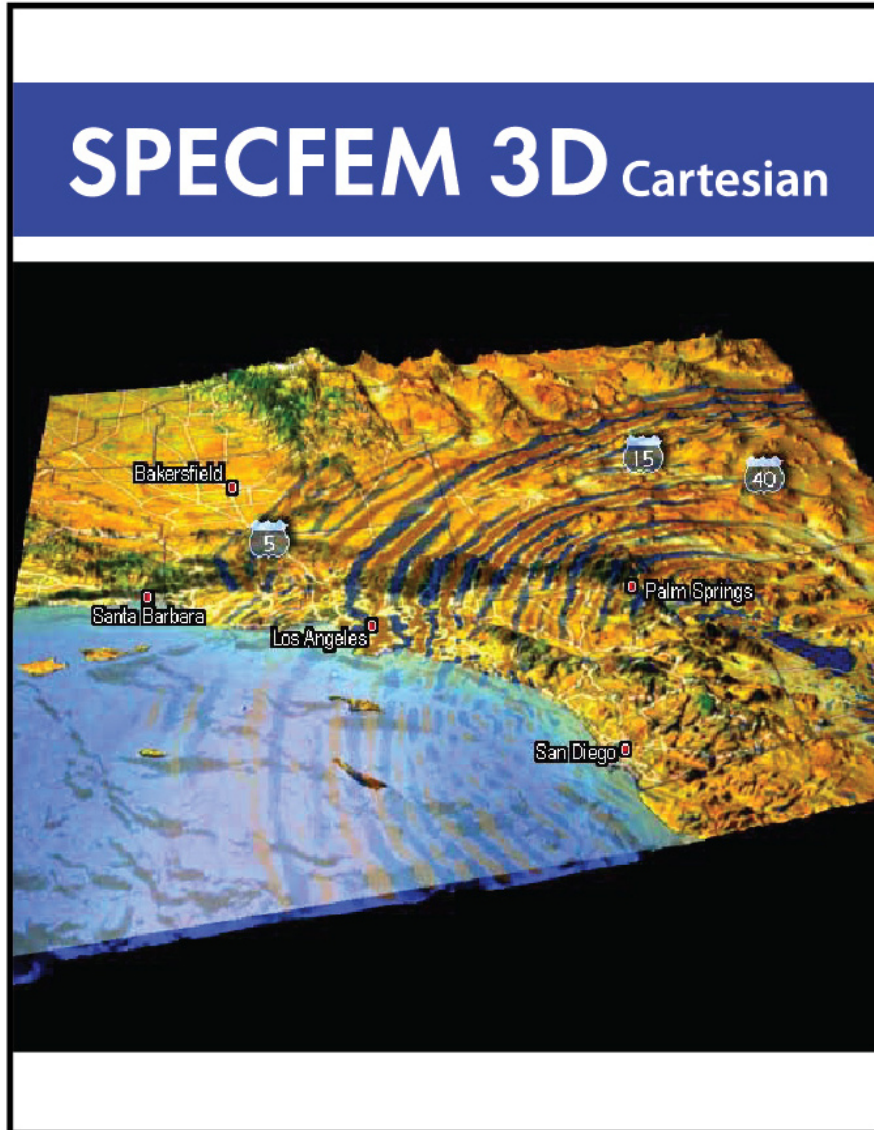
$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla u + (\nabla u)^T)$$

u = displacement field

ϵ = strain tensor

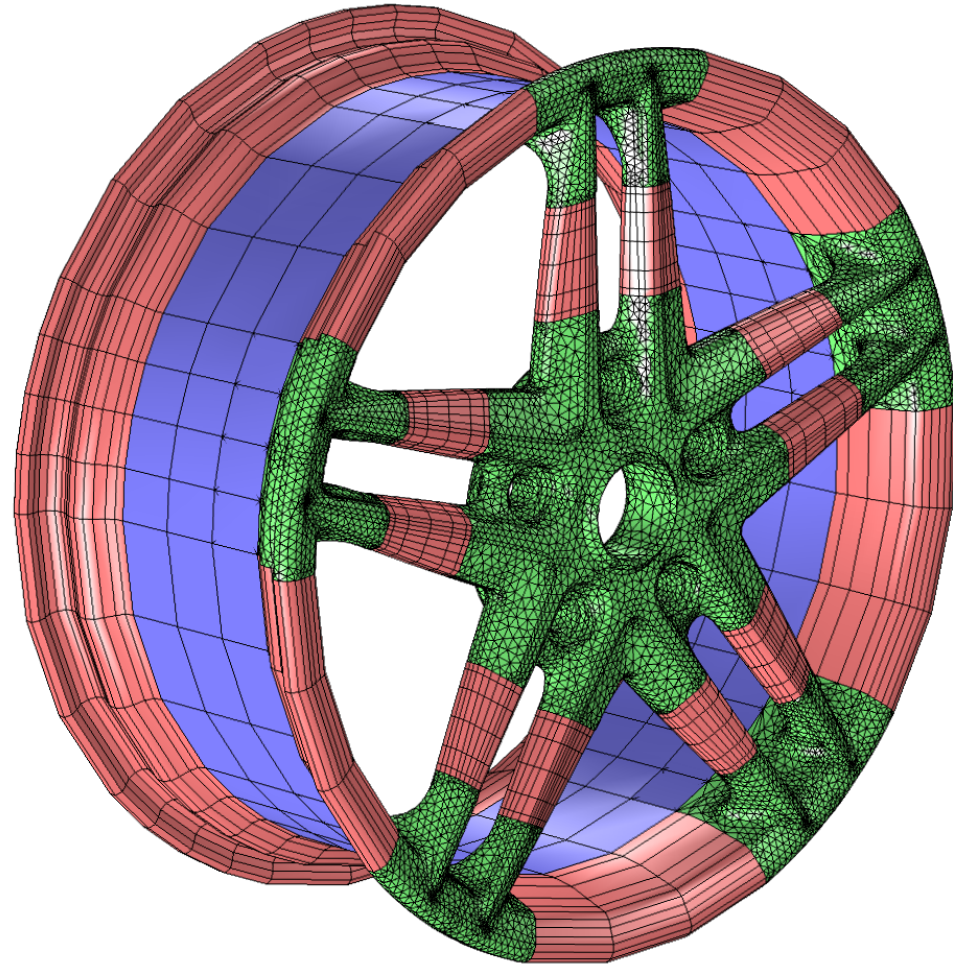
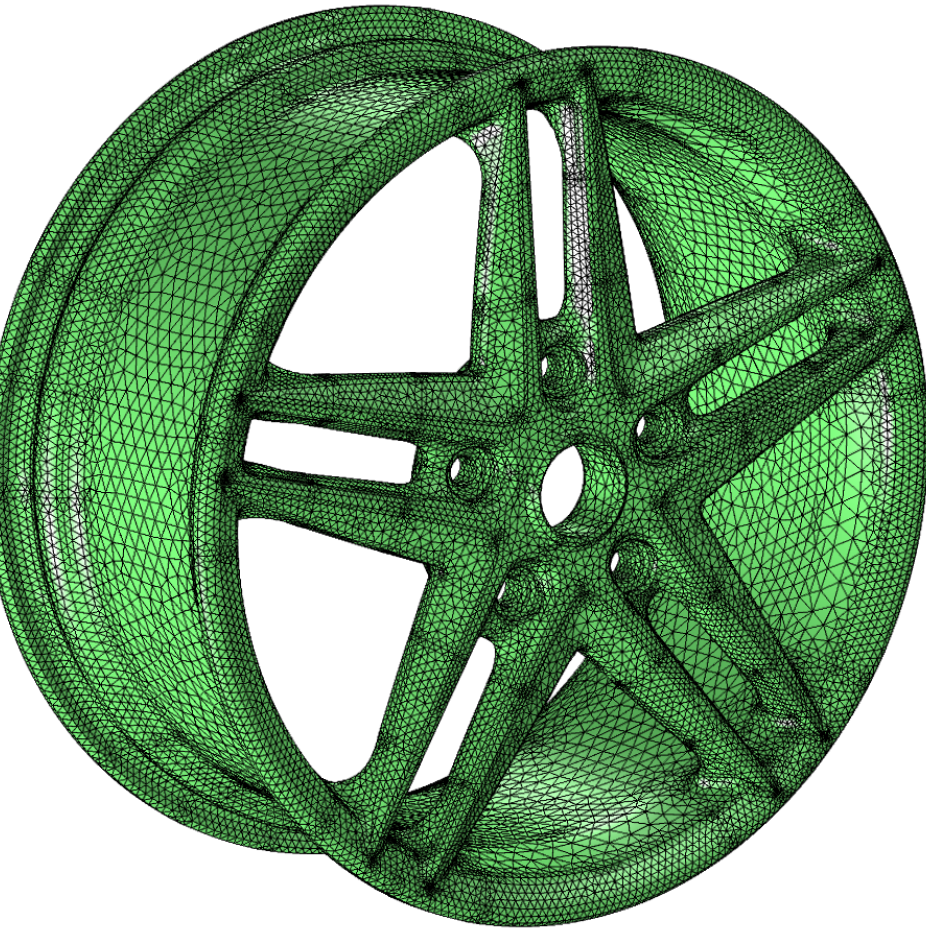
σ = stress tensor

Code selection and installation

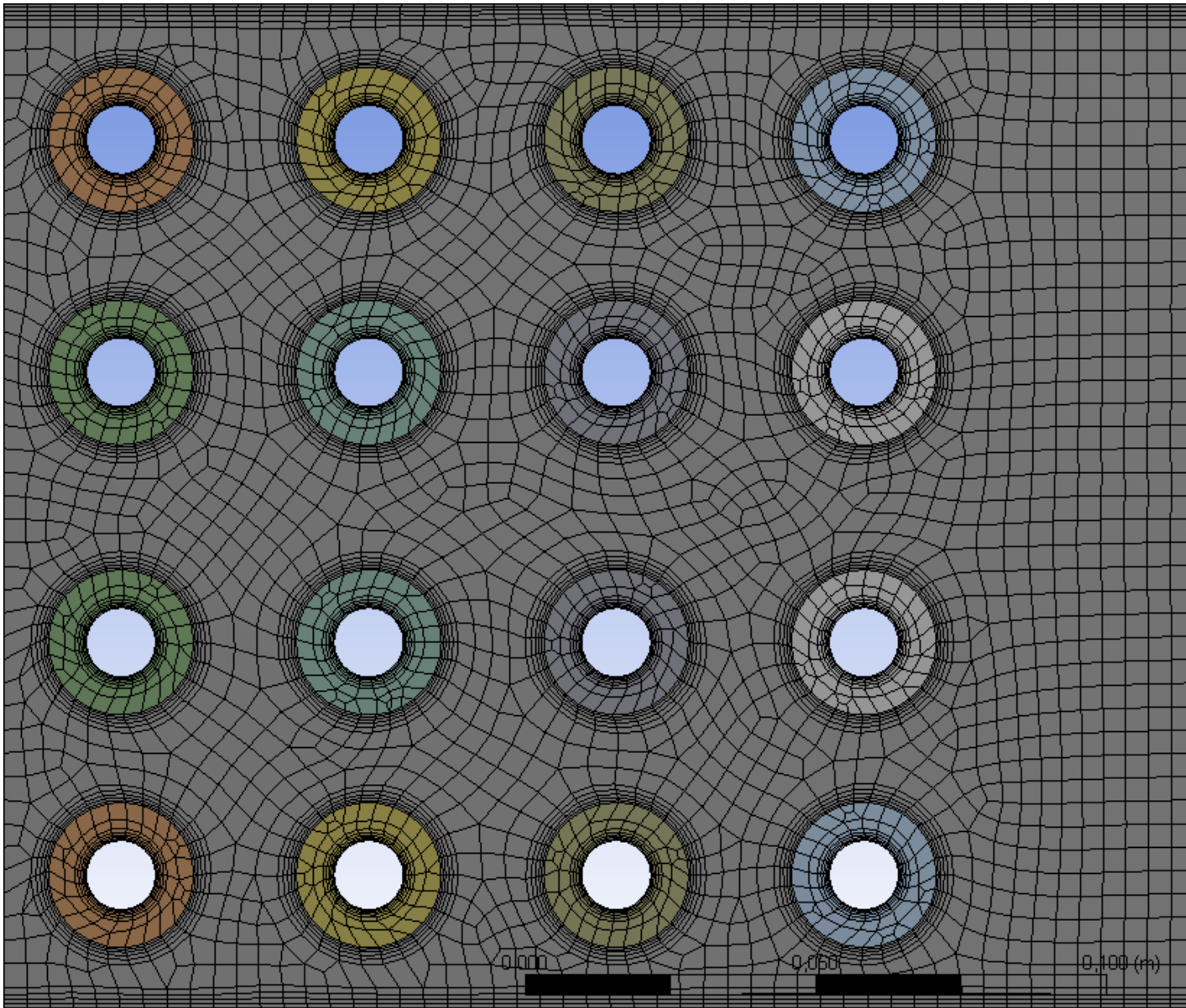


- ✓ Elastic, acoustic and poroelastic media.
- ✓ Installation of the code in the University cluster and in personal PC.
- ✓ First tests simulations running properly.
- ✓ Mesh generation

What is a numerical mesh?



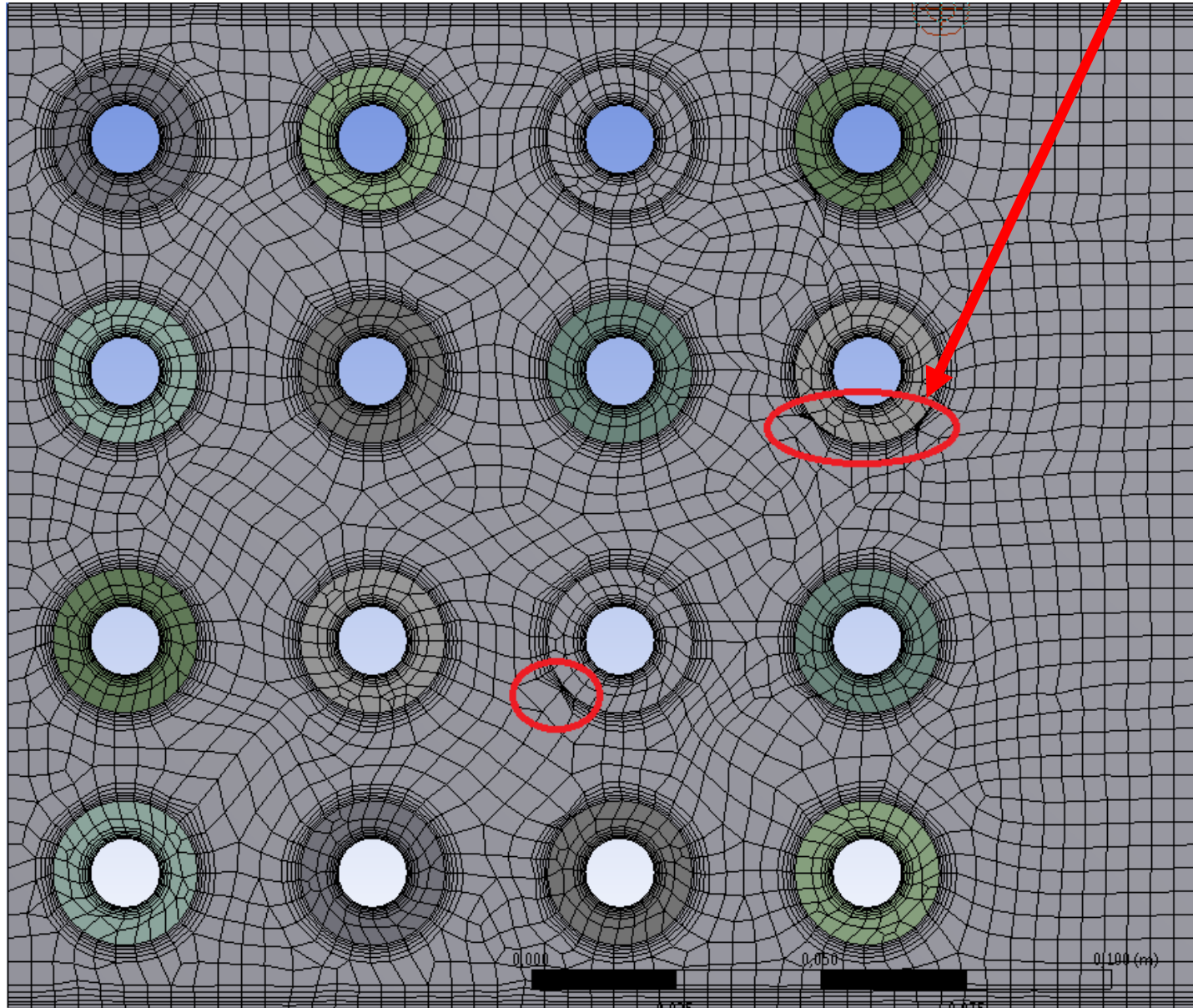
Good mesh!



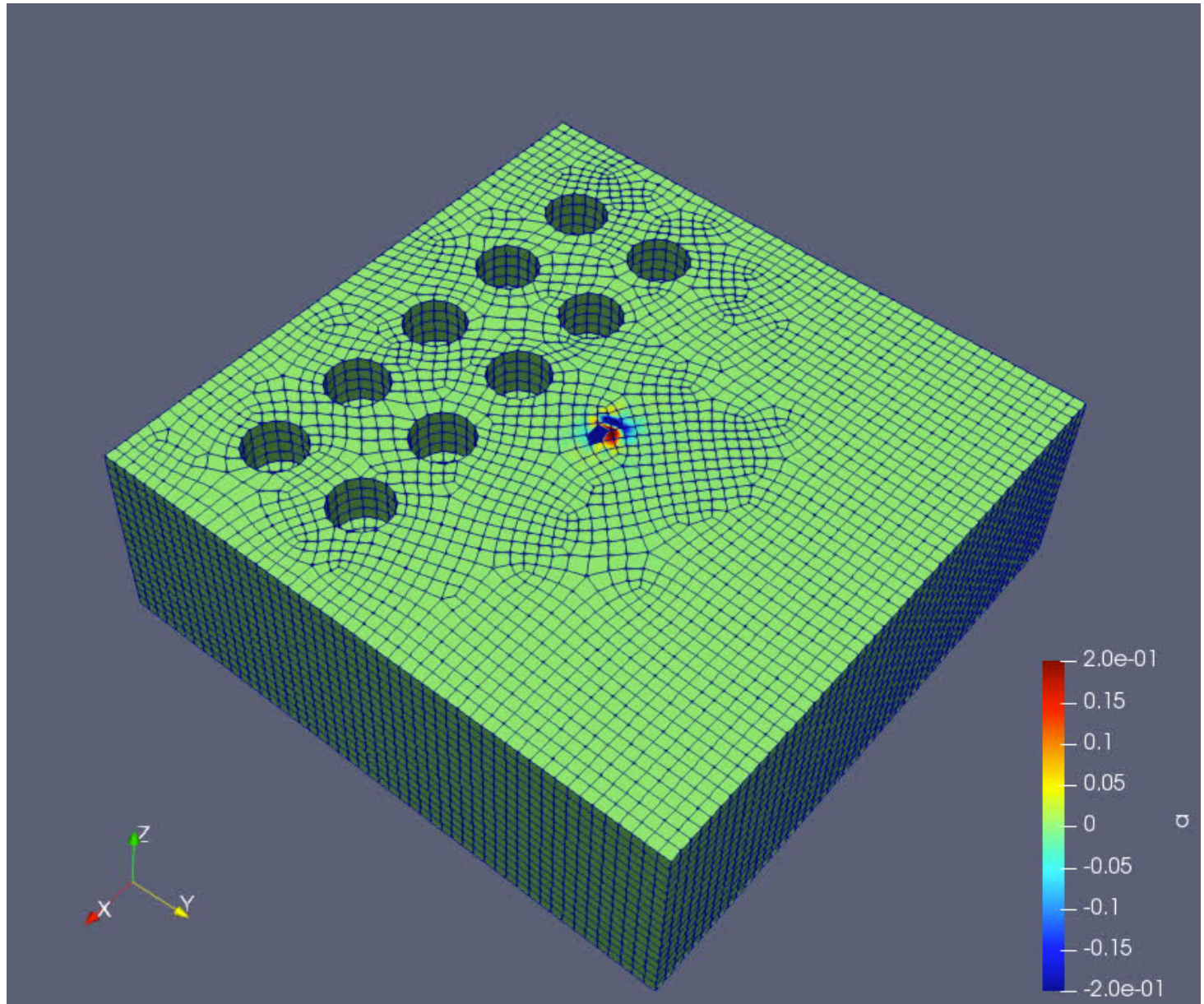
Not very
distorted
elements

Bad mesh!

singularities

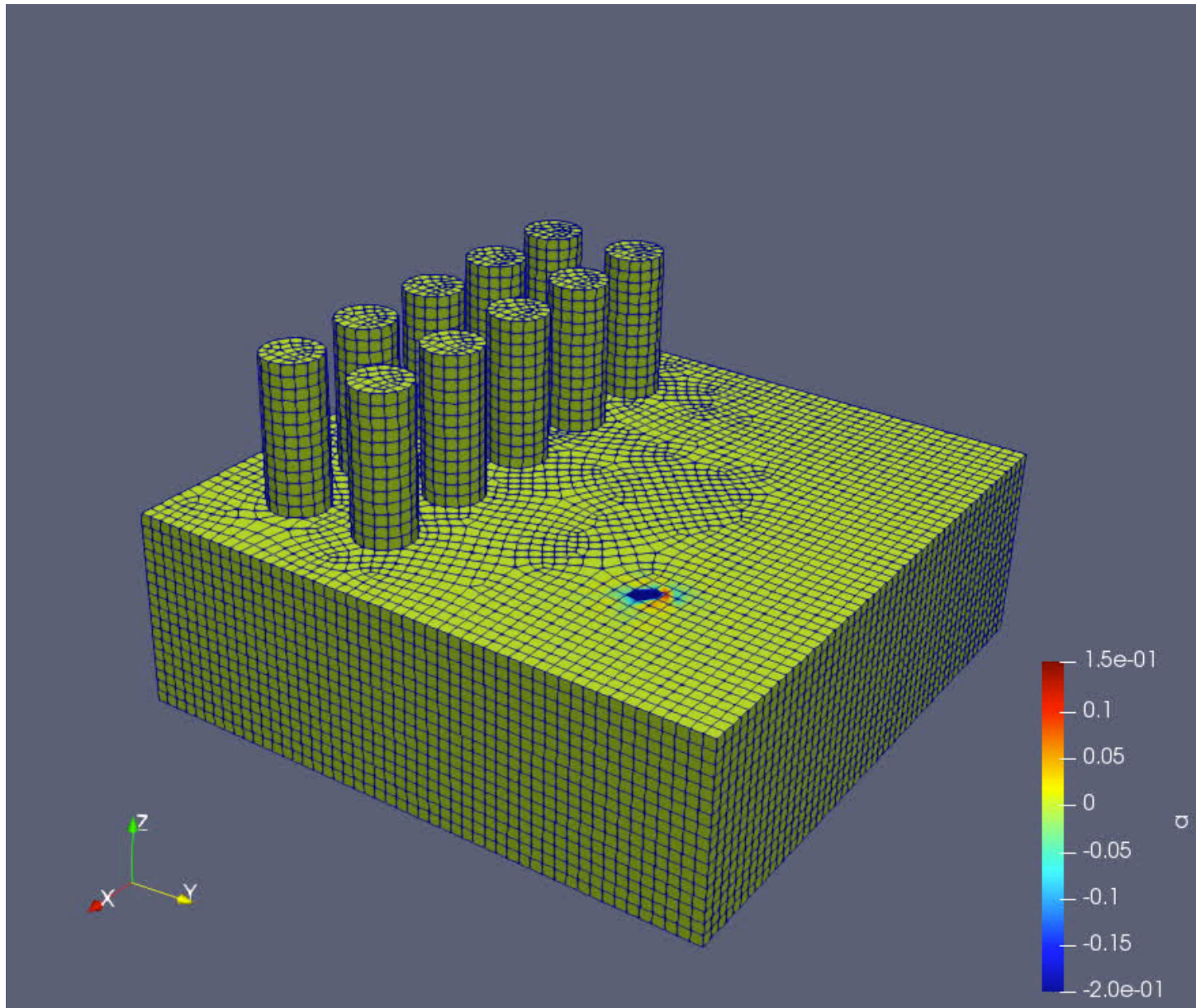


Simulations with SPECFEM3D

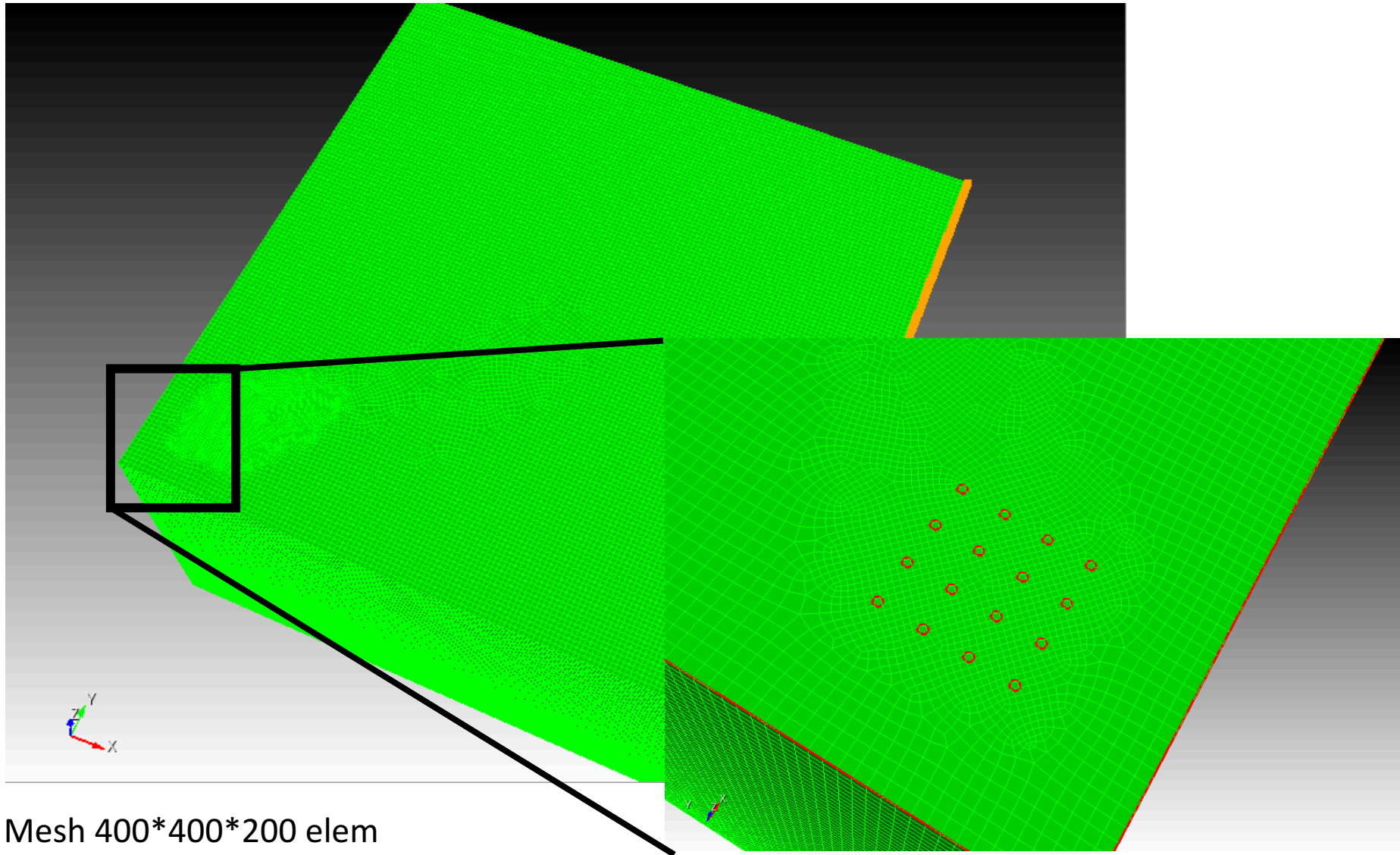


Mesh 50x50x17
approx 42500 elem
approx 1062500
nodes

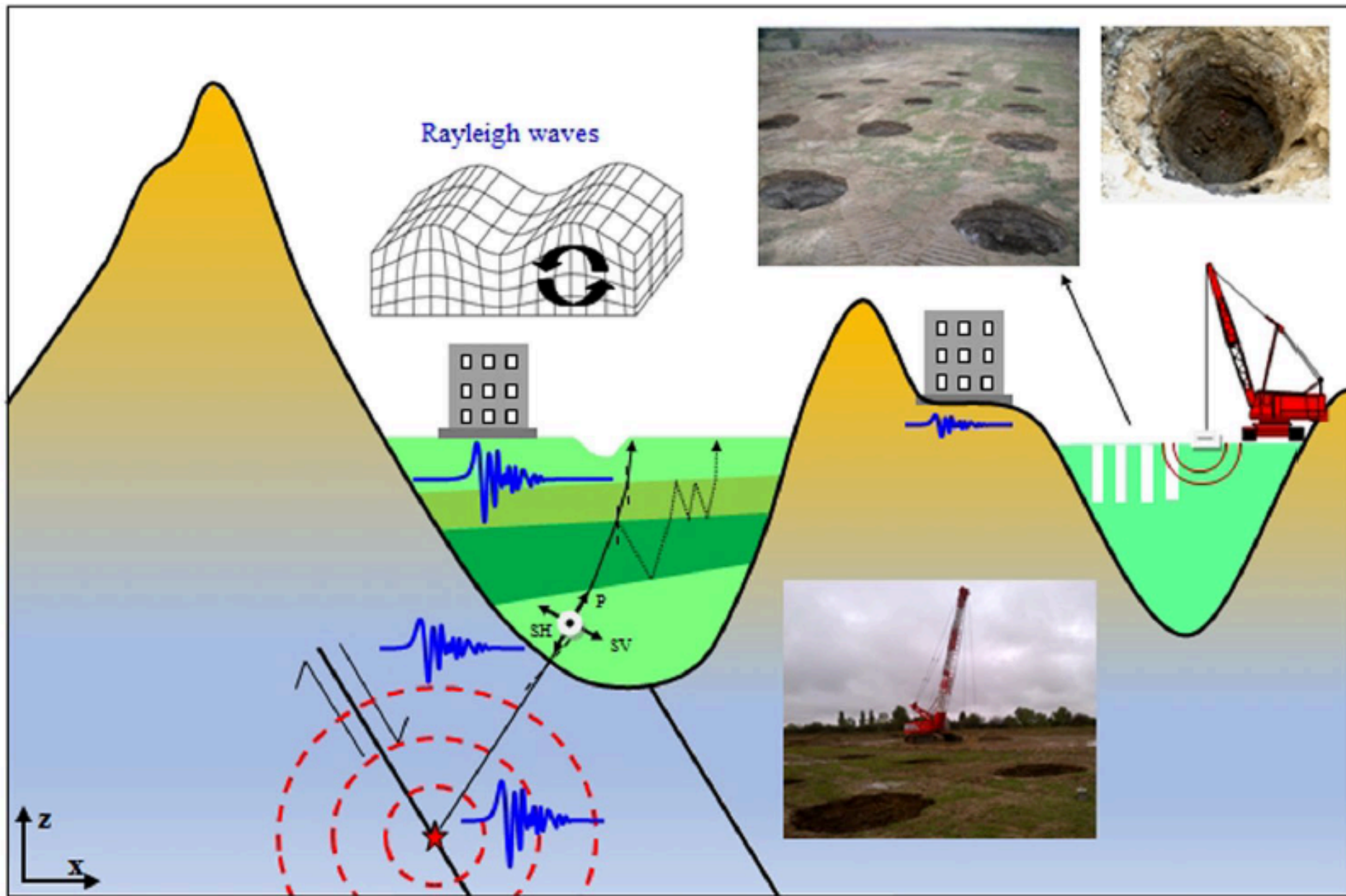
Simulations with SPECFEM3D



Realistic mesh 40 x 40 x 20 km



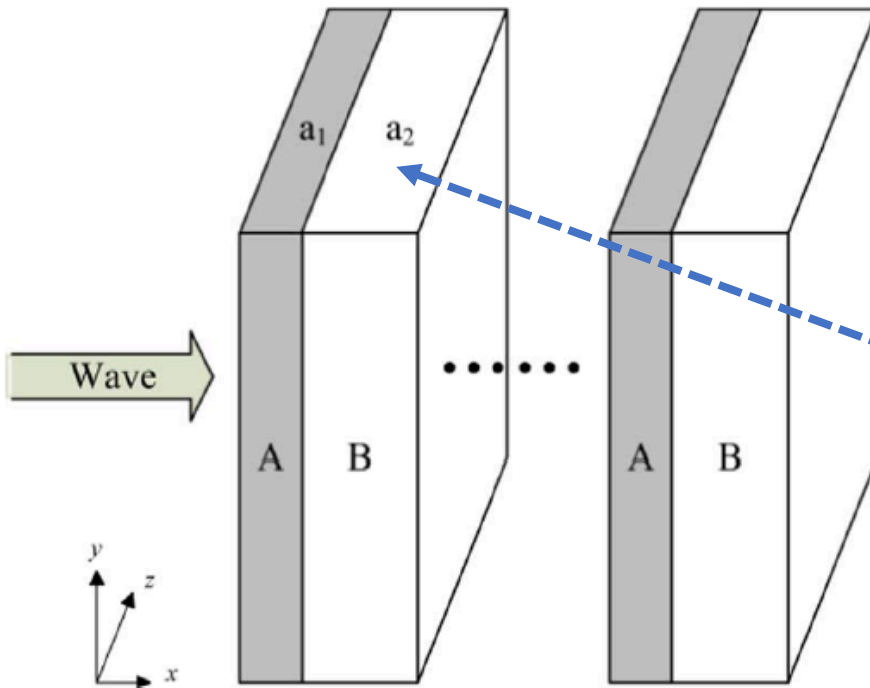
Mesh 400*400*200 elem
800 million nodes



Metamaterials size prediction

1D metamaterials

(Geng et al. 2018)



$$\lambda < 15.5a$$

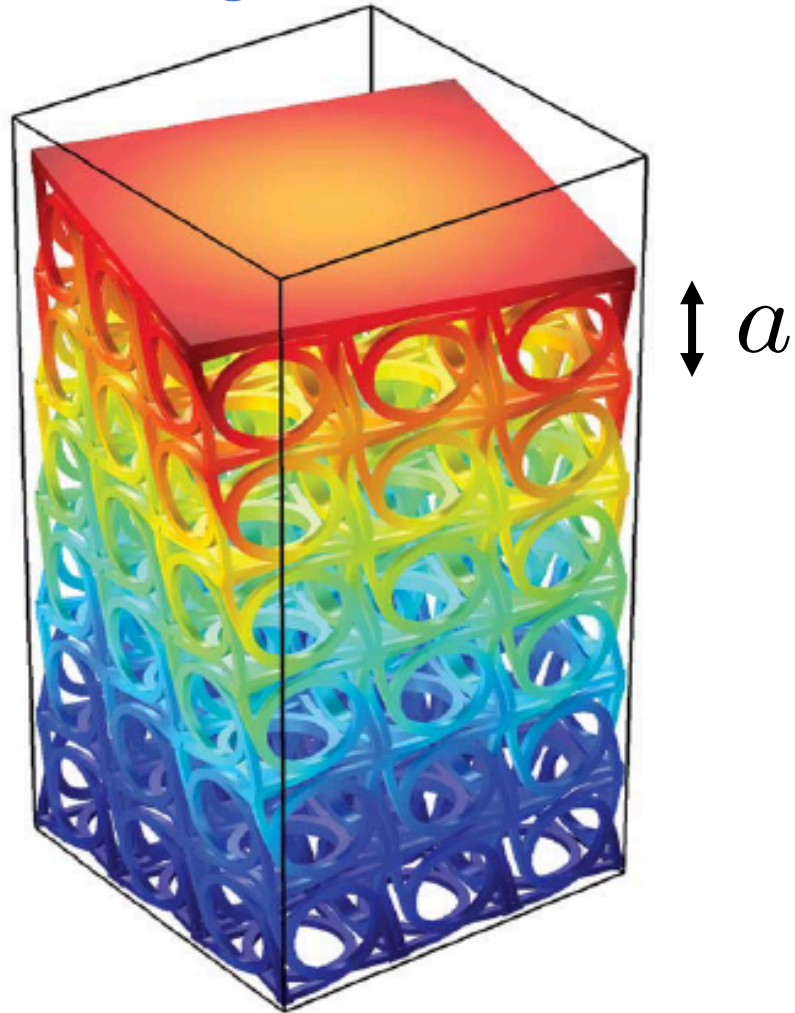
$$\lambda = \text{wavelength}$$

$$a = a_1 + a_2$$

For a soil with $v=900$ m/s if one look for attenuating waves with frequencies larger than 1Hz, we must have **$a > 58$ m**

Use of generalized continuum models

(Frenzel et al. 2017)



No wave propagation
(frequency bad gap) at

$$\frac{a}{\lambda} \approx 0.035$$

λ = wavelength

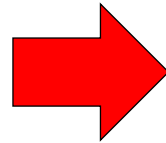
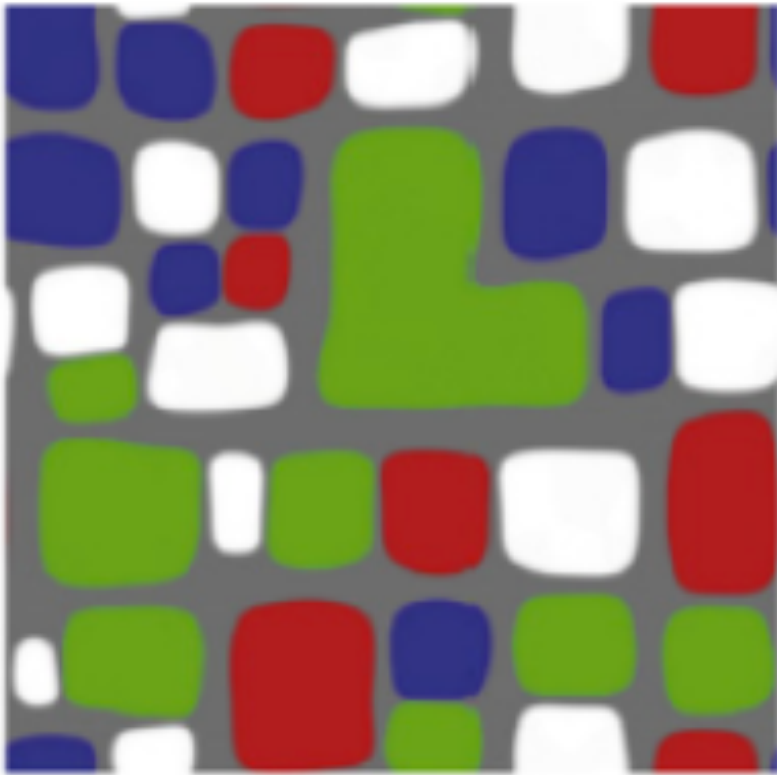
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HALF the size of 1D metamaterials

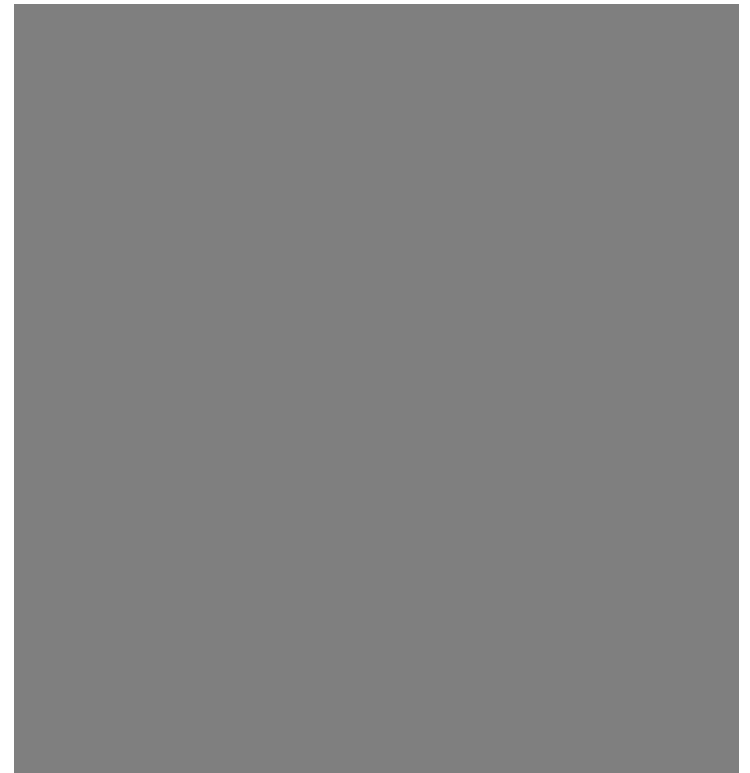
Generalized continuum models

Generalized continuum models

Conventional
elasticity

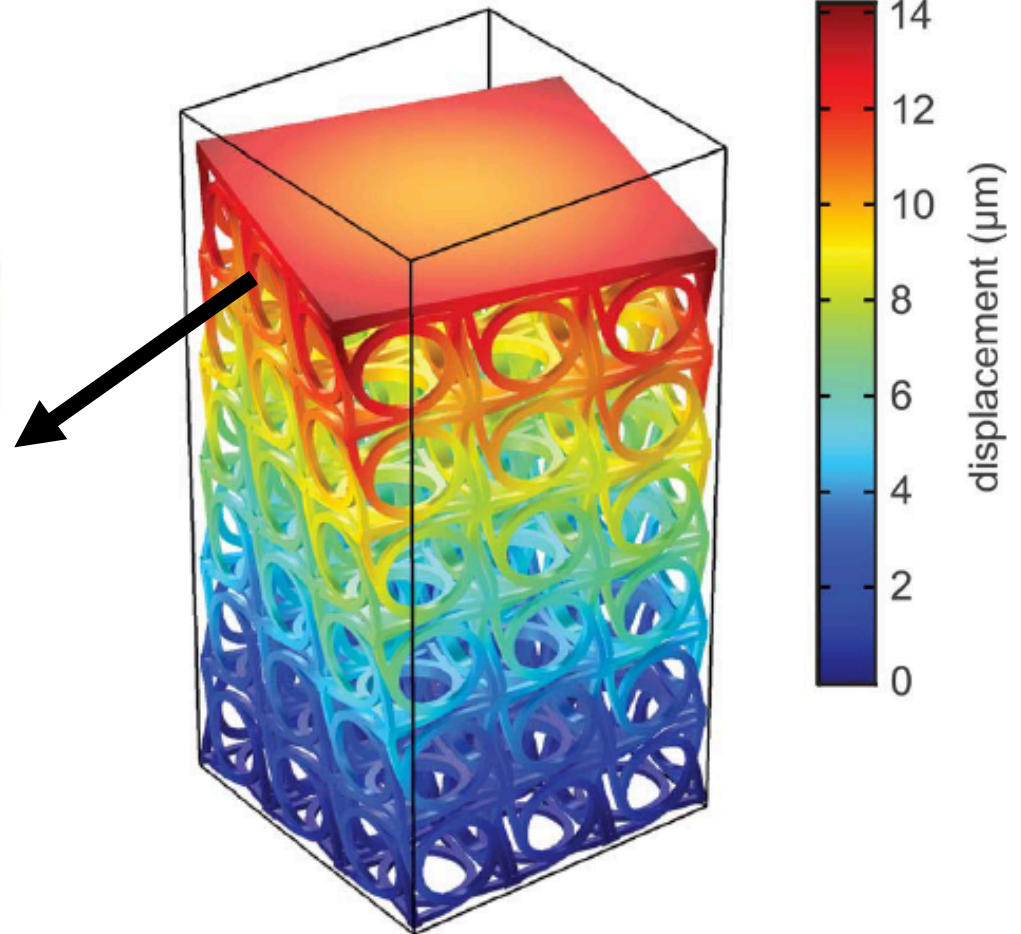
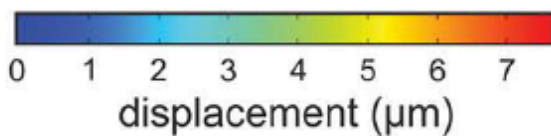
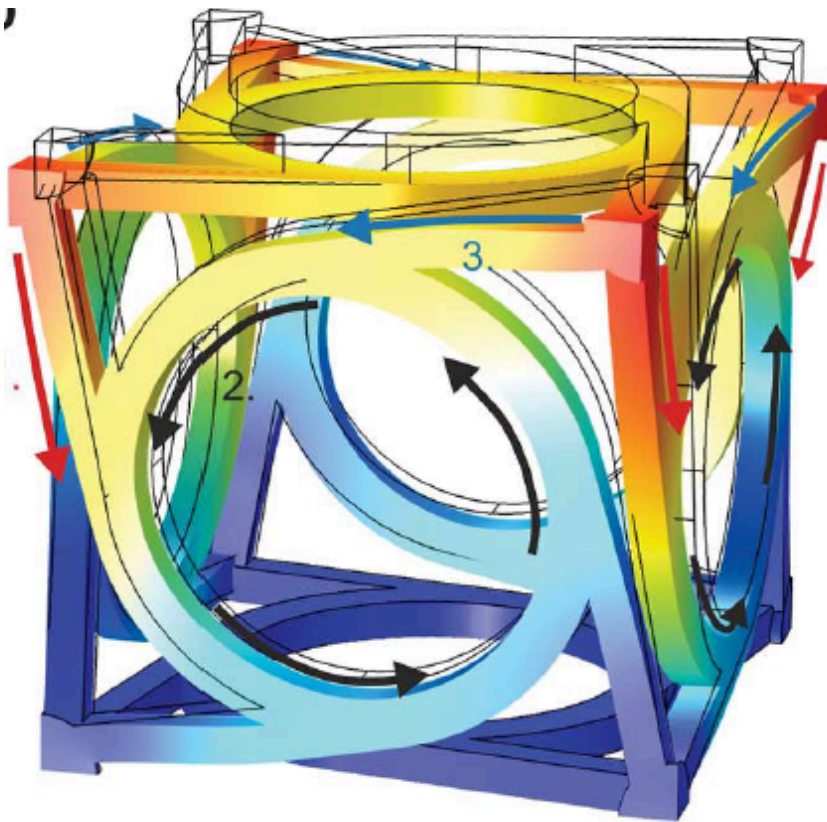


Micropolar
elasticity



The micropolar model
incorporates intrinsic rotational
degrees of freedom

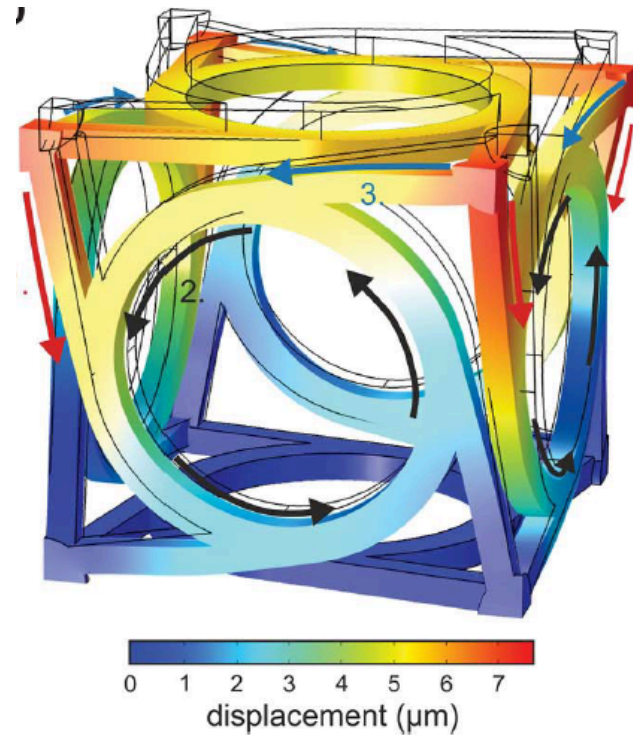
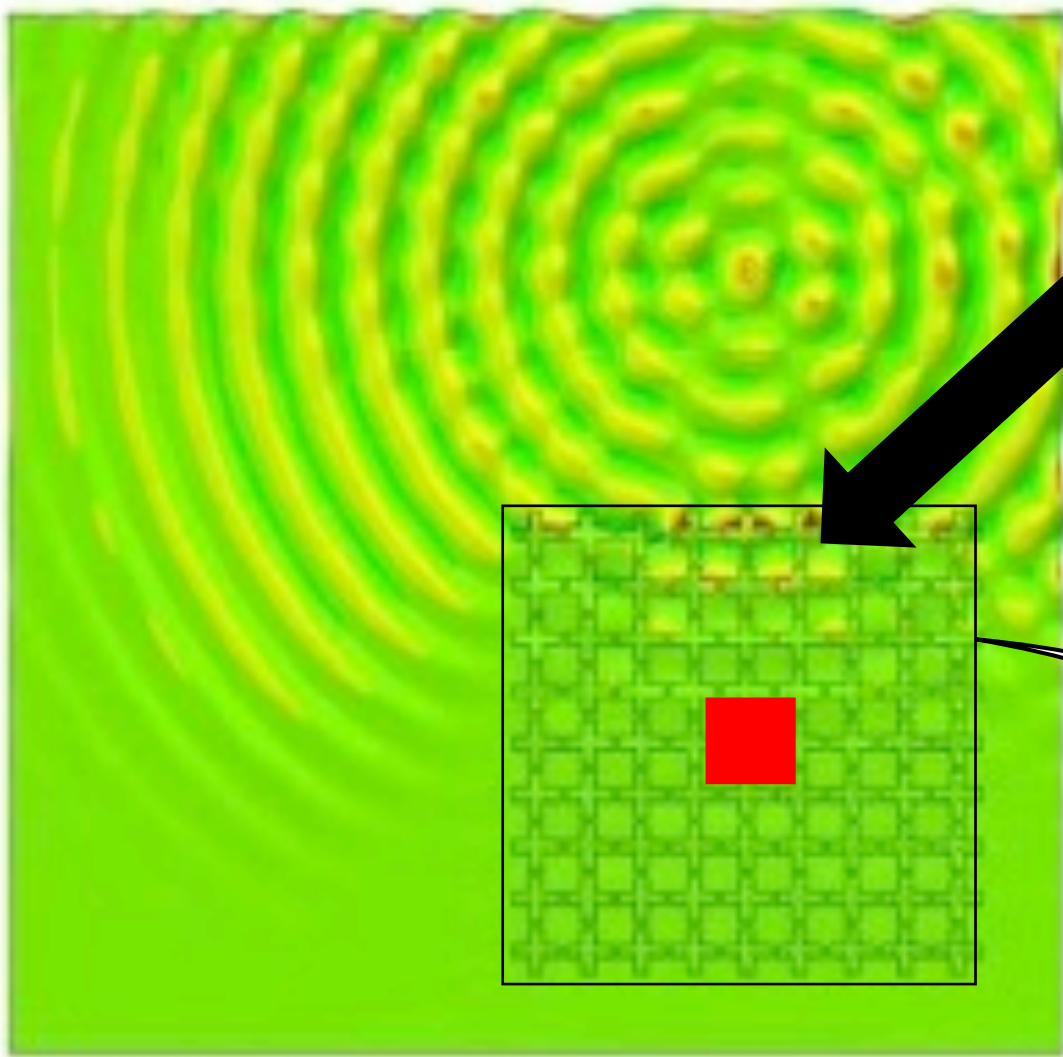
Conventional Elasticity?



displacement (μm)

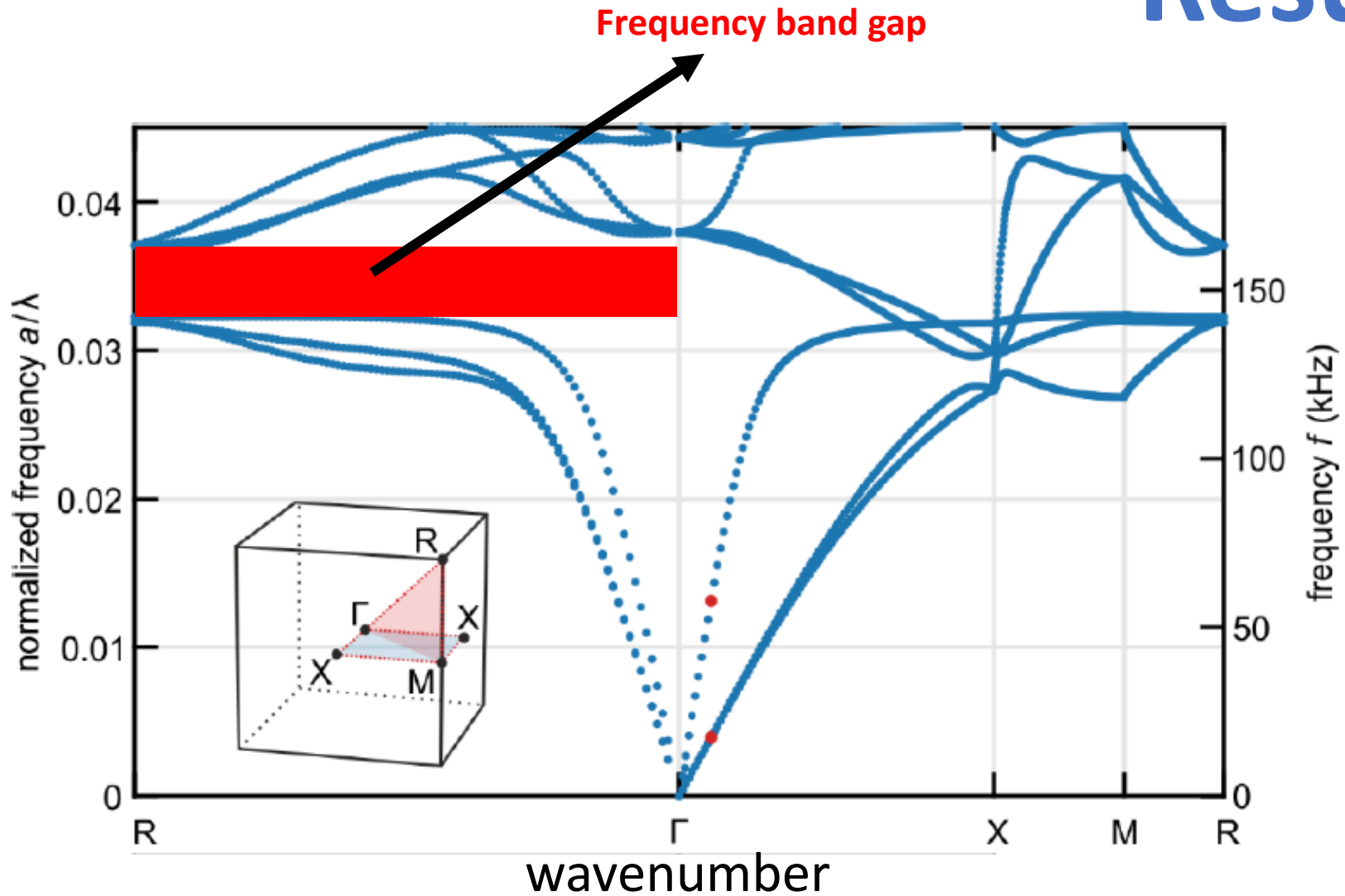
Bloch-Floquet analysis

THE IDEA



**Micropolar
elasticity**

Results



Possibility to filter to certain frequencies!!

lattice constant a and the wavelength λ

SUMMARY

- ✓ **Setting up simulation with SPECFEM3D.**
- ✓ **Mesh generation with Cubit/Trelis.**
- ✓ **Installation of SPECFEM3D in the cluster.**
- ✓ **Currently running: realistic setup without metamaterials.**
- ✓ **Understanding effects of metamaterials and micropolar media (for less cost intensive option).**

NEXT TASKS

- Studying wind-park effects as seismic sources.
- Comparing measured data to simulated data using SPECFEM3D.
- Studying dispersion relations of the micropolar model.
- Writing 2D and 3D code in Fortran for running micropolar simulations.

Conventional elasticity

$$\frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial x^2}$$

with

$$v_s = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\rho}}$$

Conventional elasticity

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Micropolar elasticity

$$\frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\mu + \mu_c}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial x^2} - \frac{2\mu_c}{\rho} \frac{\partial \theta_z}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta_z}{\partial t^2} = \frac{2\mu_c}{\eta} \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} - \frac{4\mu_c}{\eta} \theta_z$$

θ = spin

μ_c = Cosserat couple modulus

η = micro-inertia density