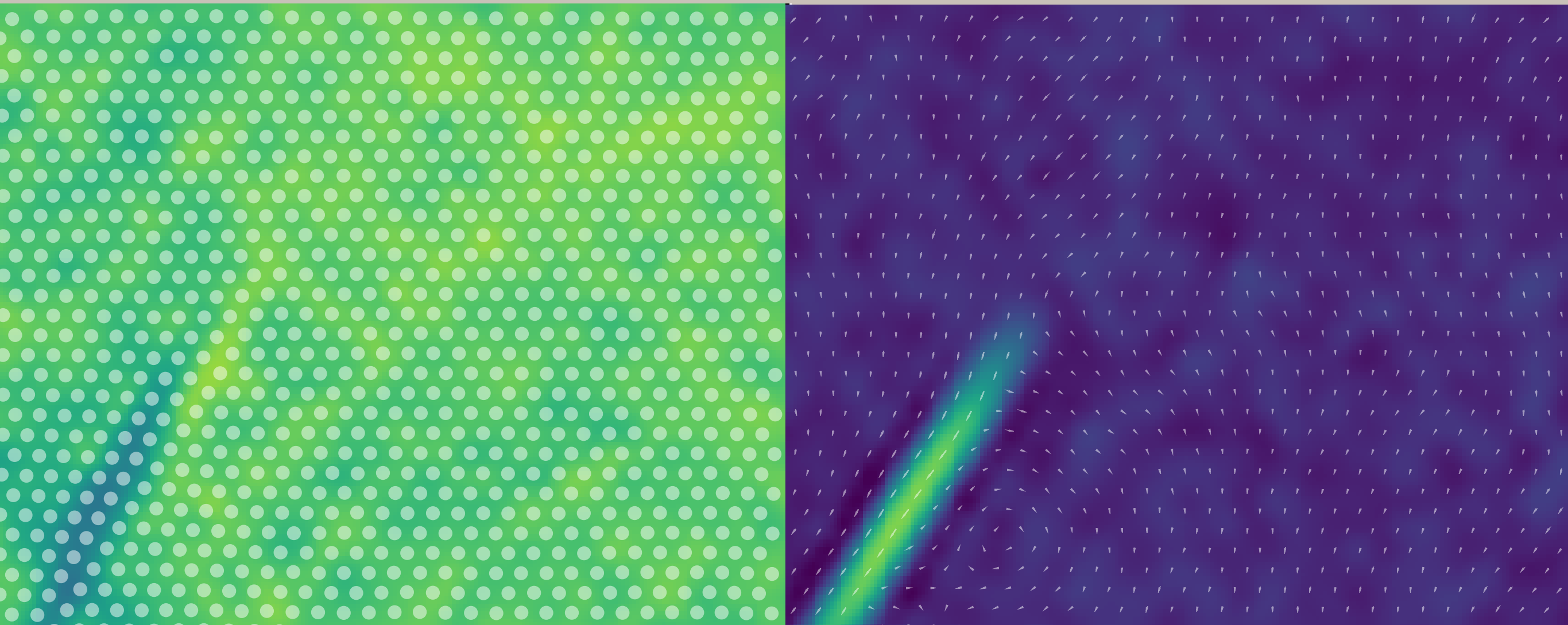


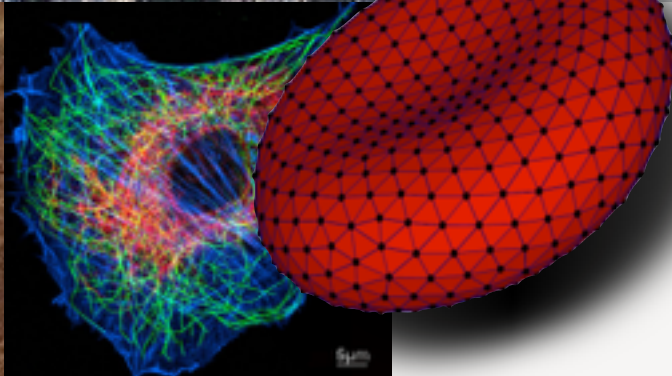
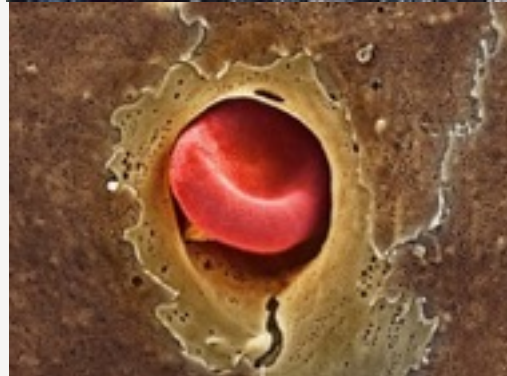
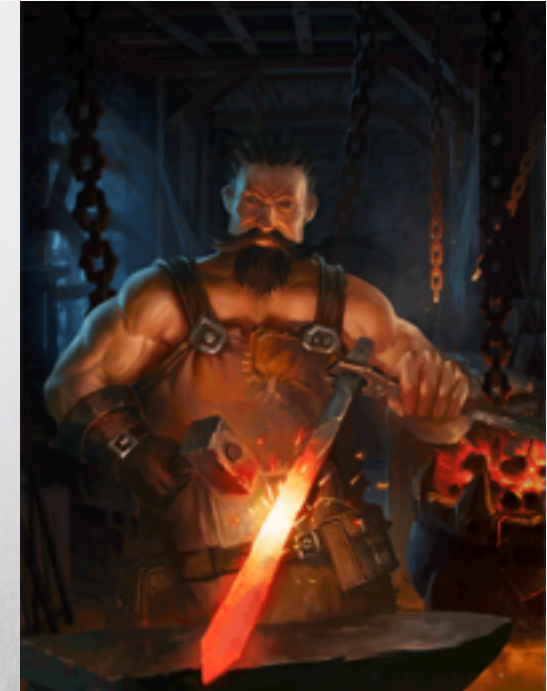
THE EQUILIBRIUM FIRST ORDER TRANSITION *UNDERLYING* IRREVERSIBLE DEFORMATION IN SOLIDS



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MOTIVATION

"The extension of a piece of metal [is] in a sense more complicated than the working of a pocket watch and to hope to derive information about its mechanism from two or three data derived from measurement during the tensile test [is] perhaps as optimistic as would be an attempt to learn about the working of a pocket watch by determining its compressive strength. "

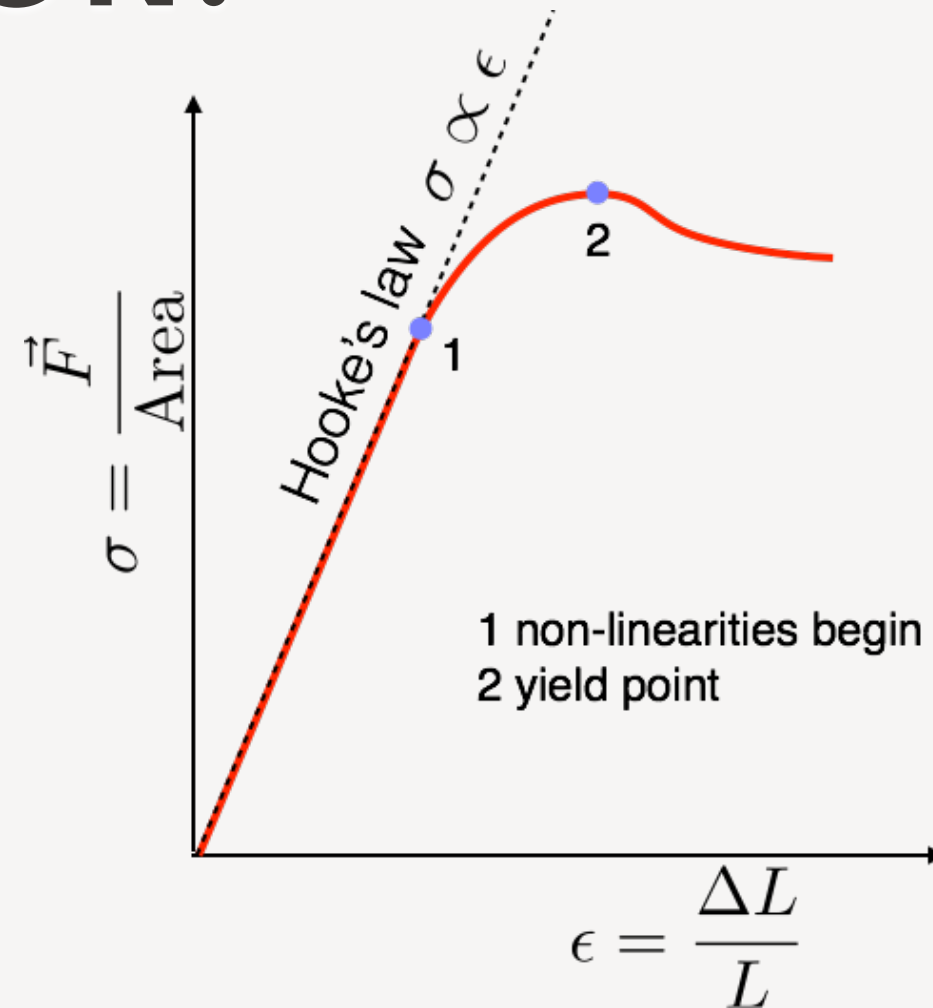
-Orowan (1944)

"...plasticity is a 'many-body' problem and poses huge statistical challenges in that what is sought are suitable averages over the entire distribution of dislocations as they traverse a disordered medium. "

-Rob Phillips (2004)



MOTIVATION:



- “Yield point” usually associated with stress drop in **constant strain rate** experiments.
- Not well defined. Not fully understood even in crystals.
- Is yielding a **dynamical phase transition** ?

Determination of the universality class of crystal plasticity

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= mean field *interface depinning* transition

Crackling noise

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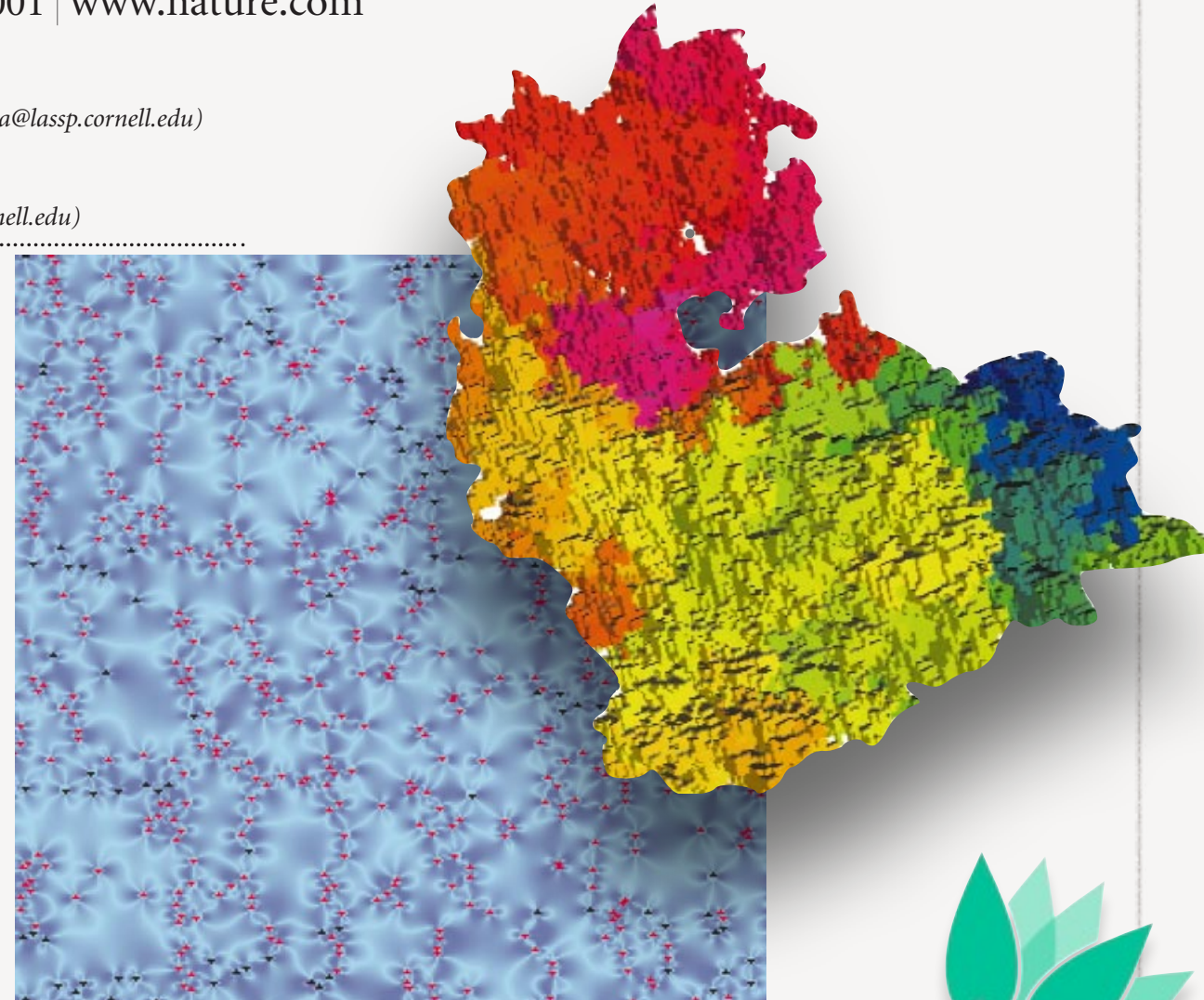
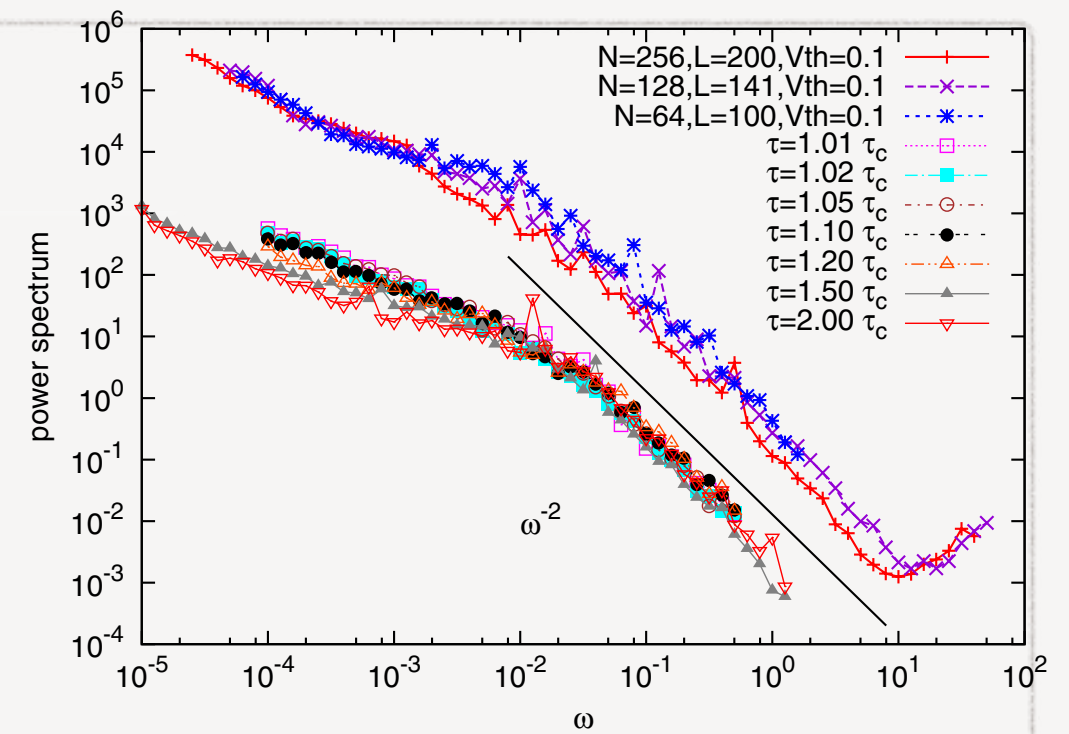
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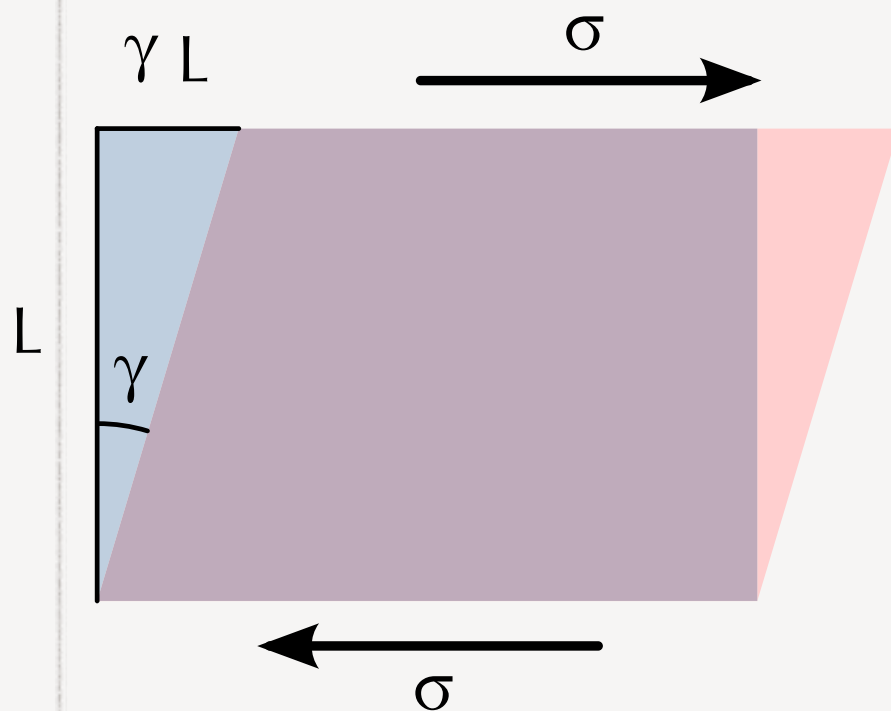
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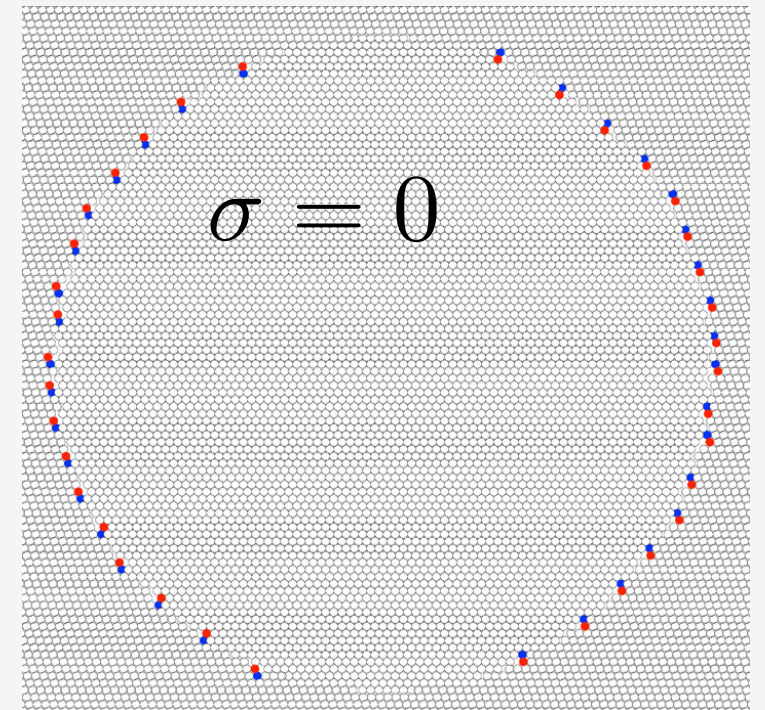
yield point = critical point



A DROPLET CALCULATION



rearrange atoms, relieve stress, introduce defects at surface to fit the patch →



Sausset, Biroli, Kurchan, J. Stat Phys 140, 718 (2010)

$$\Delta\mathcal{F}(R) = R^{d-1} \Omega(\sigma) - R^d \frac{\sigma^2}{2G_P}$$

$$\tau^* = \tau_0 \exp \left(c \left(\frac{\sigma_y}{\sigma} \right)^{2d-2} \right)$$

- No **yield point** !
- essential singularity at $\sigma = 0$
- no singularity for $\sigma > 0$.

similar calculation in 2d by Bruinsma, Halperin, Zeppelius (1982) gives a power law with, in general, non-universal exponents.

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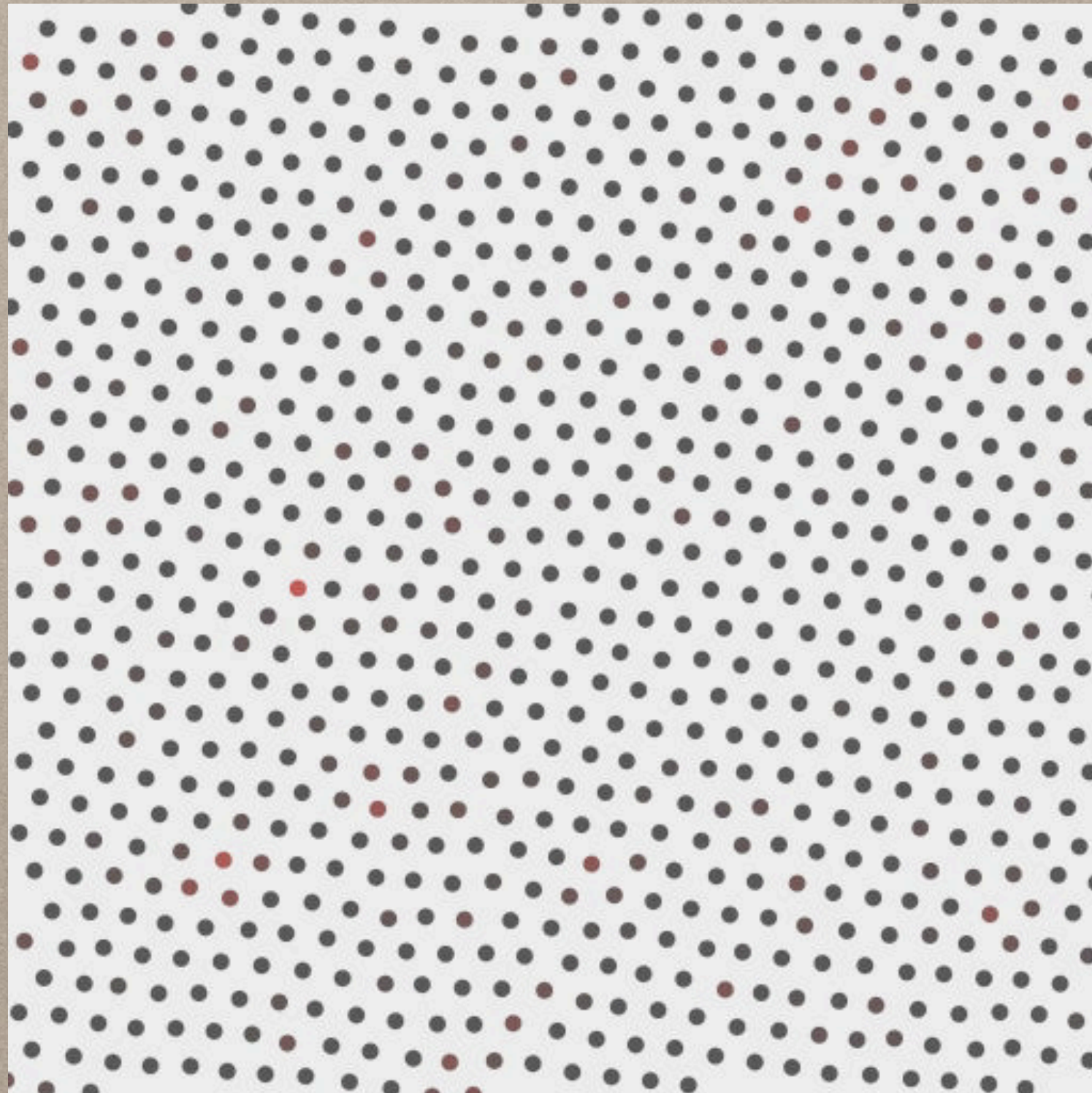
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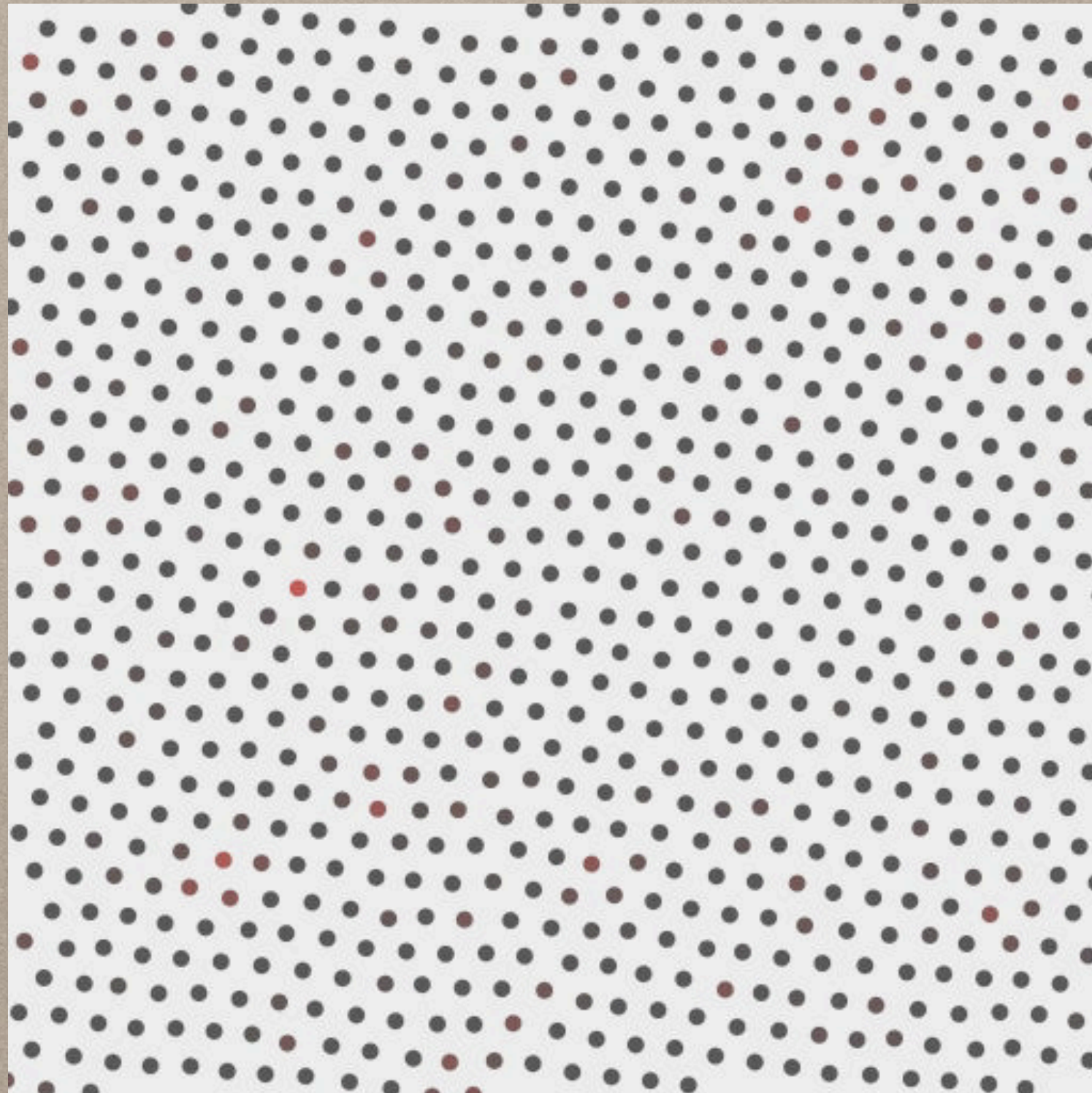
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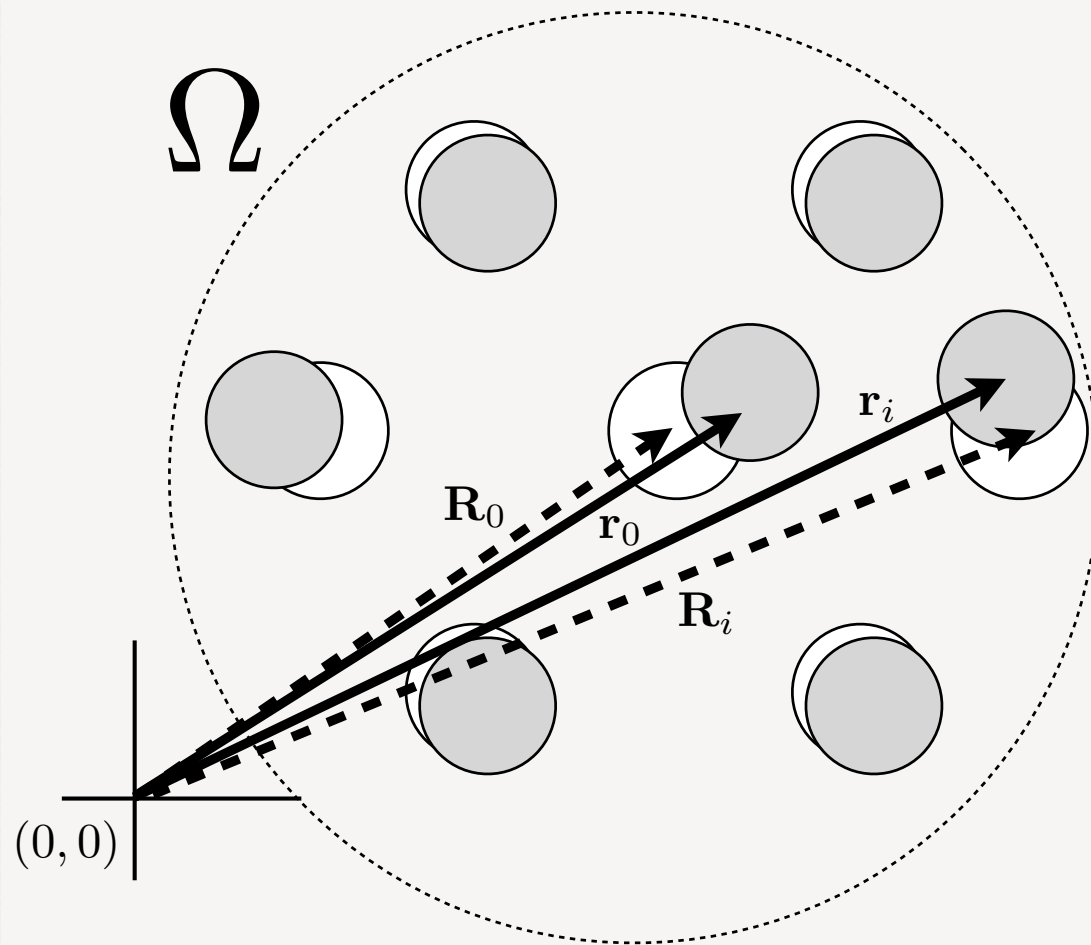
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LOCAL NON-AFFINITY



Particle positions \mathbf{r}_i

Reference positions \mathbf{R}_i

Displacements $\mathbf{u}_i = \mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{R}_i$

$$\Delta_i = \mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{u}_0$$

$$\chi_0 = \min_D \sum_i [\Delta_i - D(\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_0)]^2$$

D = closest locally affine deformation

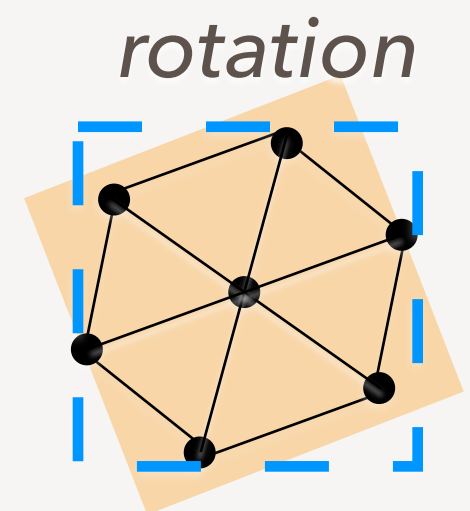
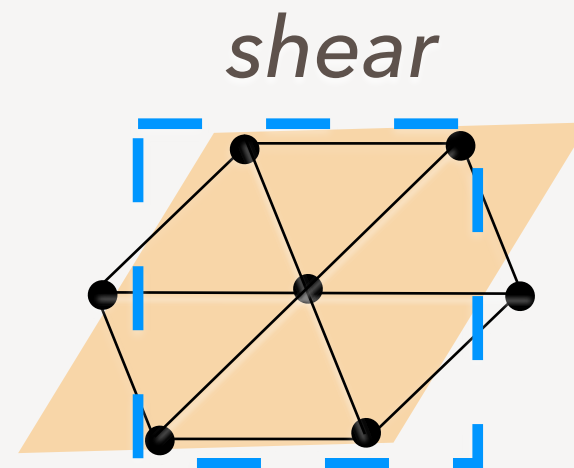
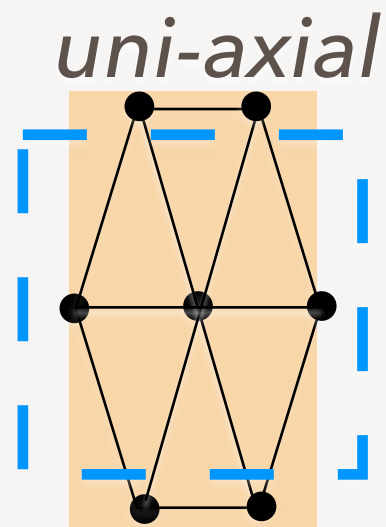
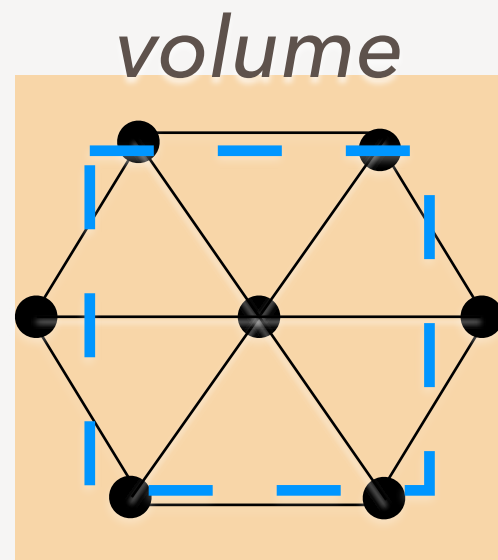
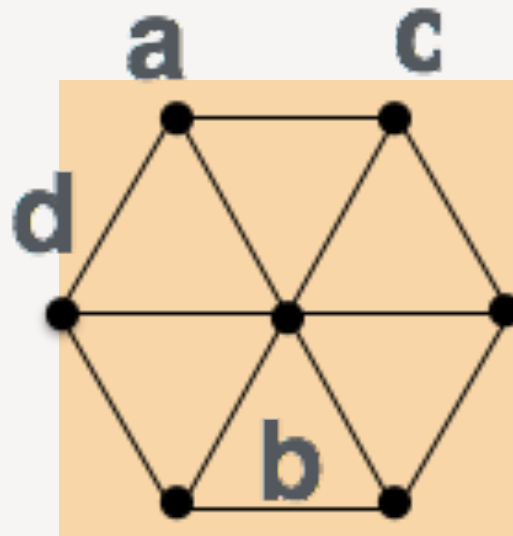
Rearrange $\{\Delta_i\} \rightarrow$ vector Δ , similarly $D \rightarrow$ vector \mathbf{e} :

$$\mathbf{e} = Q\Delta, \chi = (P\Delta)^2 = \Delta^T P^T P \Delta = \Delta^T P \Delta$$

Non-affine projector P , affine projector Q , both calculated from the $\{\mathbf{R}_i\}$



AFFINE FLUCTUATION MODES

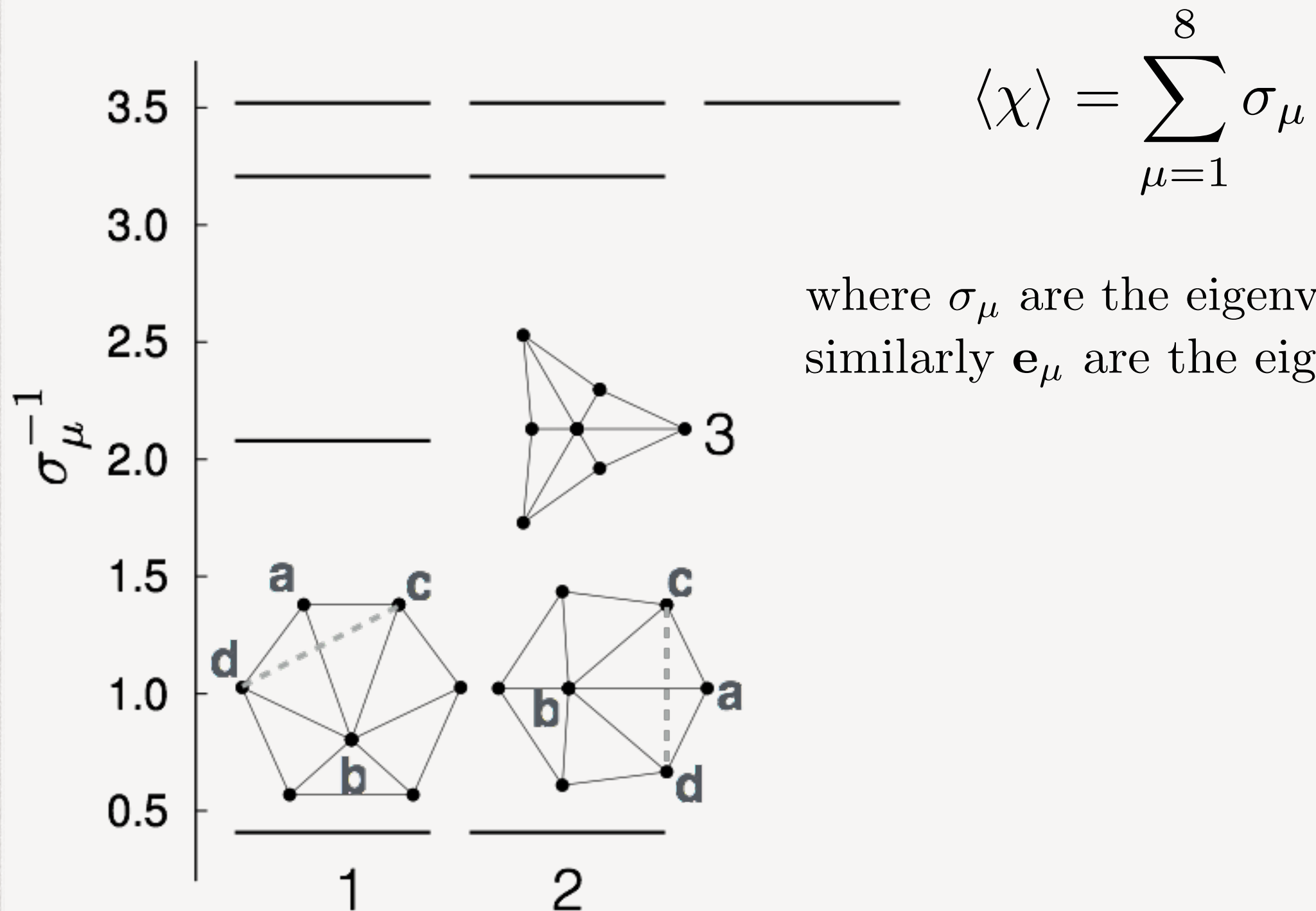


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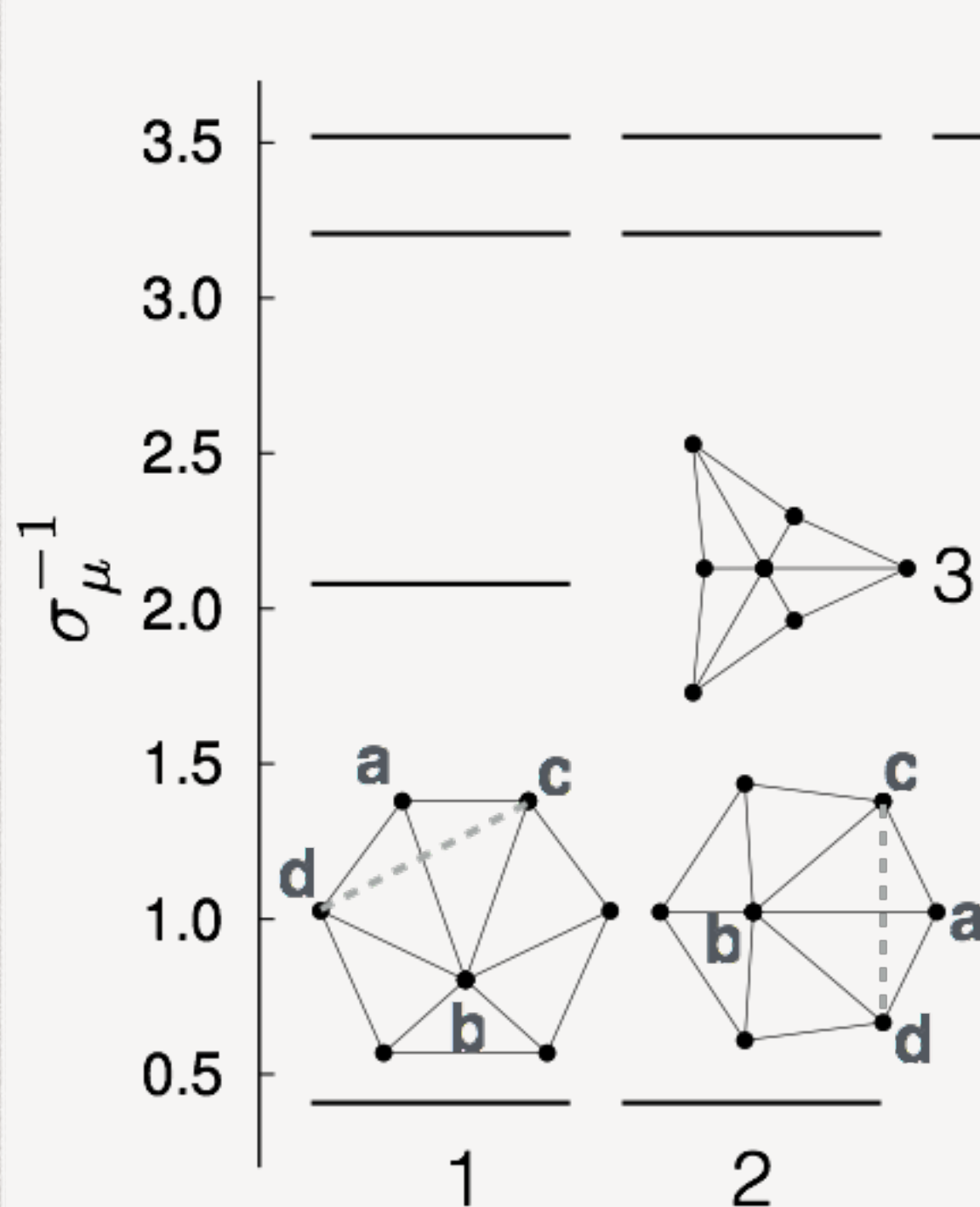
- $\chi = \Delta^T P \Delta = \text{Tr} P \Delta \Delta^T P$ so, $\langle \chi \rangle = \text{Tr} P C P$
- $C = \langle \Delta \Delta^T \rangle$ **correlation matrix** of displacement fluctuations
- **Non-affine modes:** eigenvectors of $P C P$



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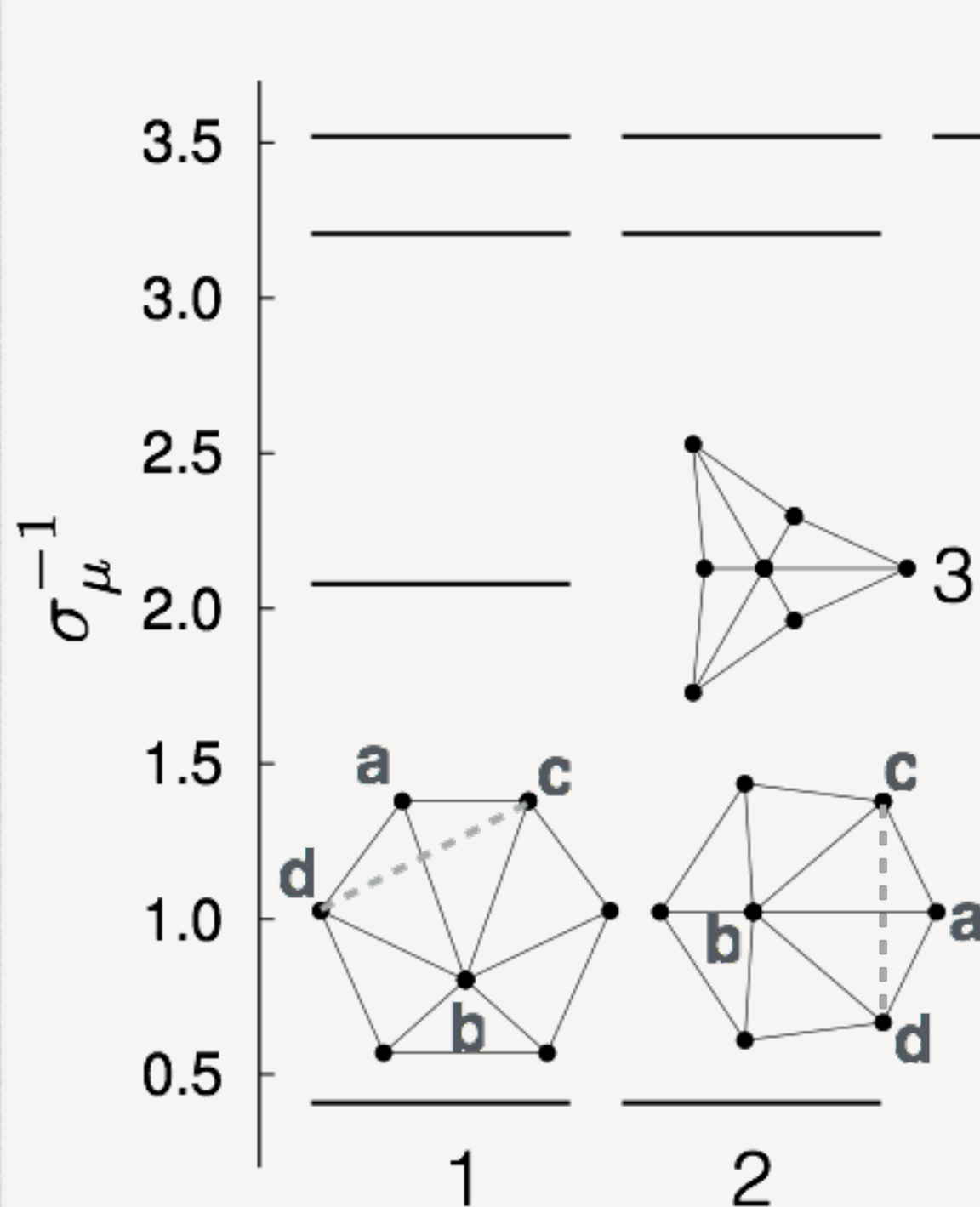


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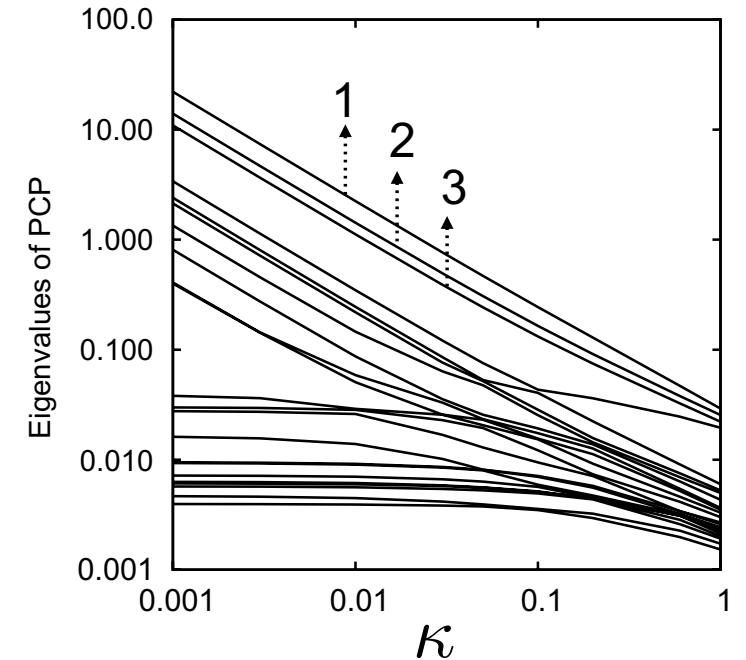
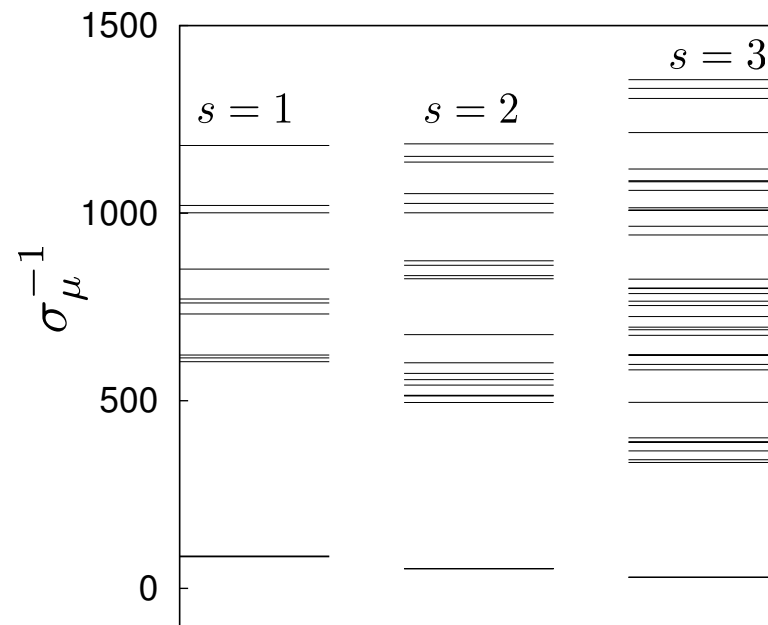
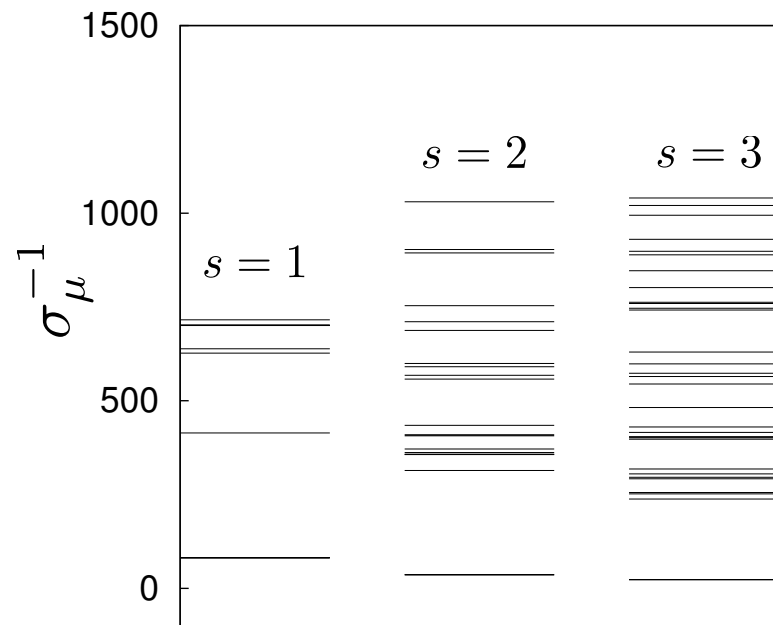
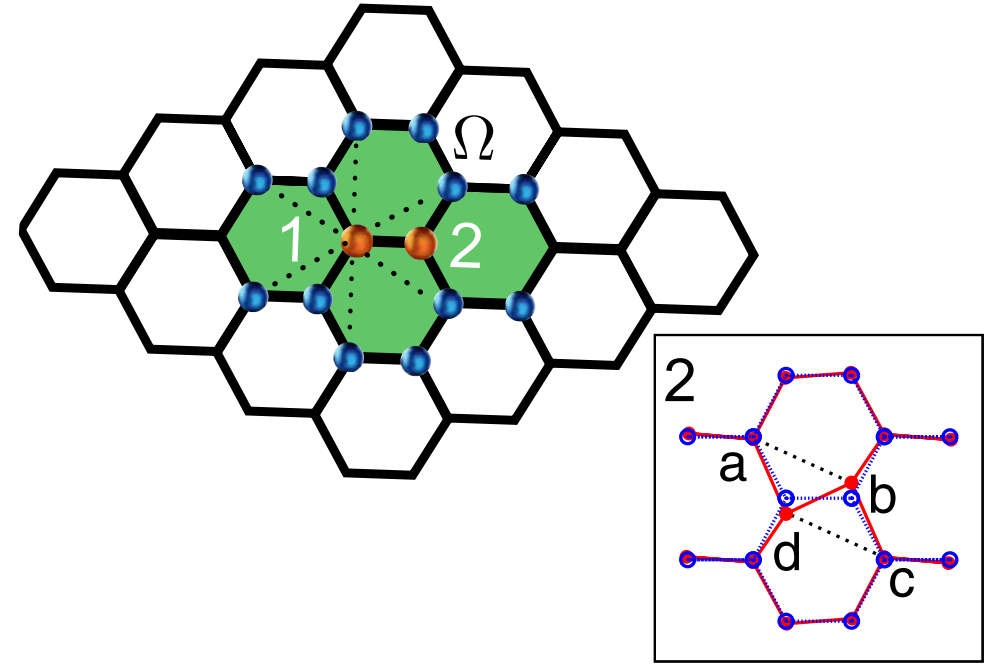
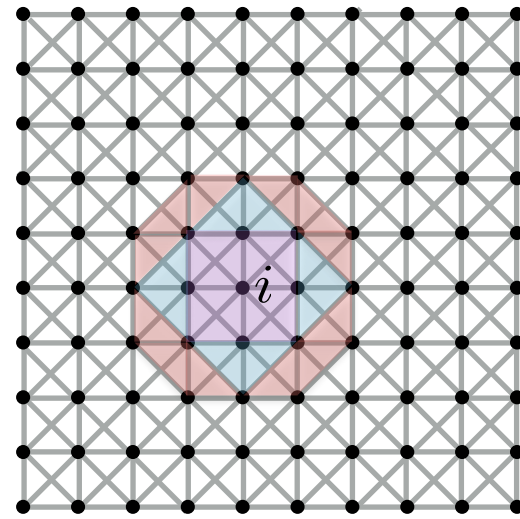
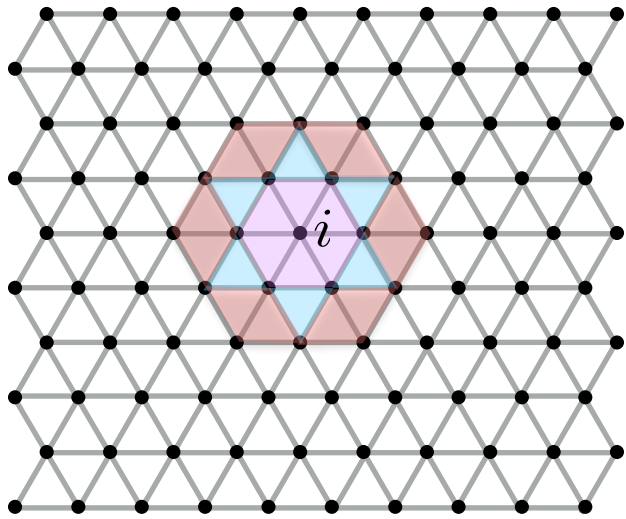


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"rearrangements" create χ .



- Soft non-affine modes remain associated with defect precursors
(Stone-Wales defect in planar honeycomb)
- Separated by a gap from other modes



BIASING NON-AFFINITY

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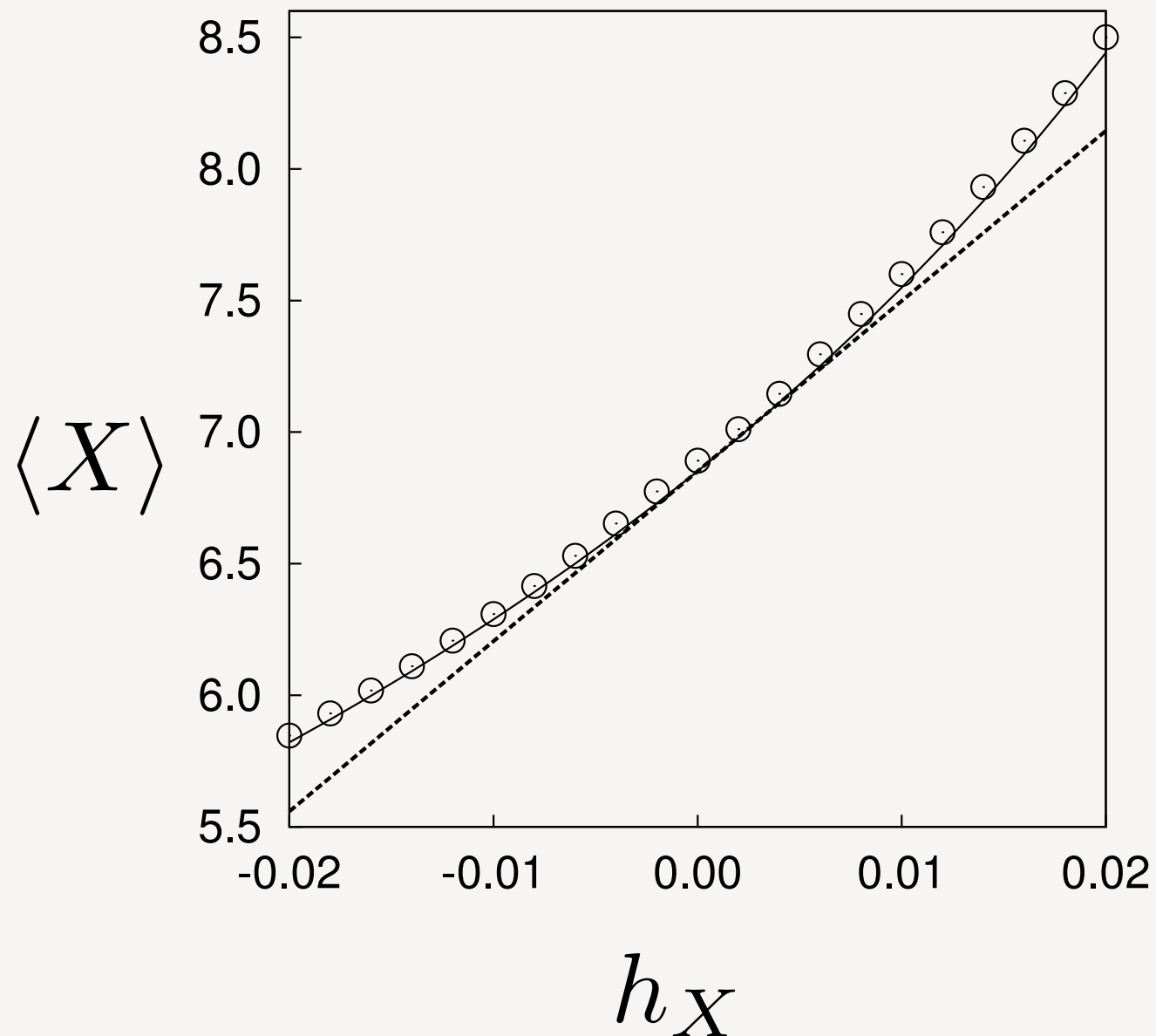
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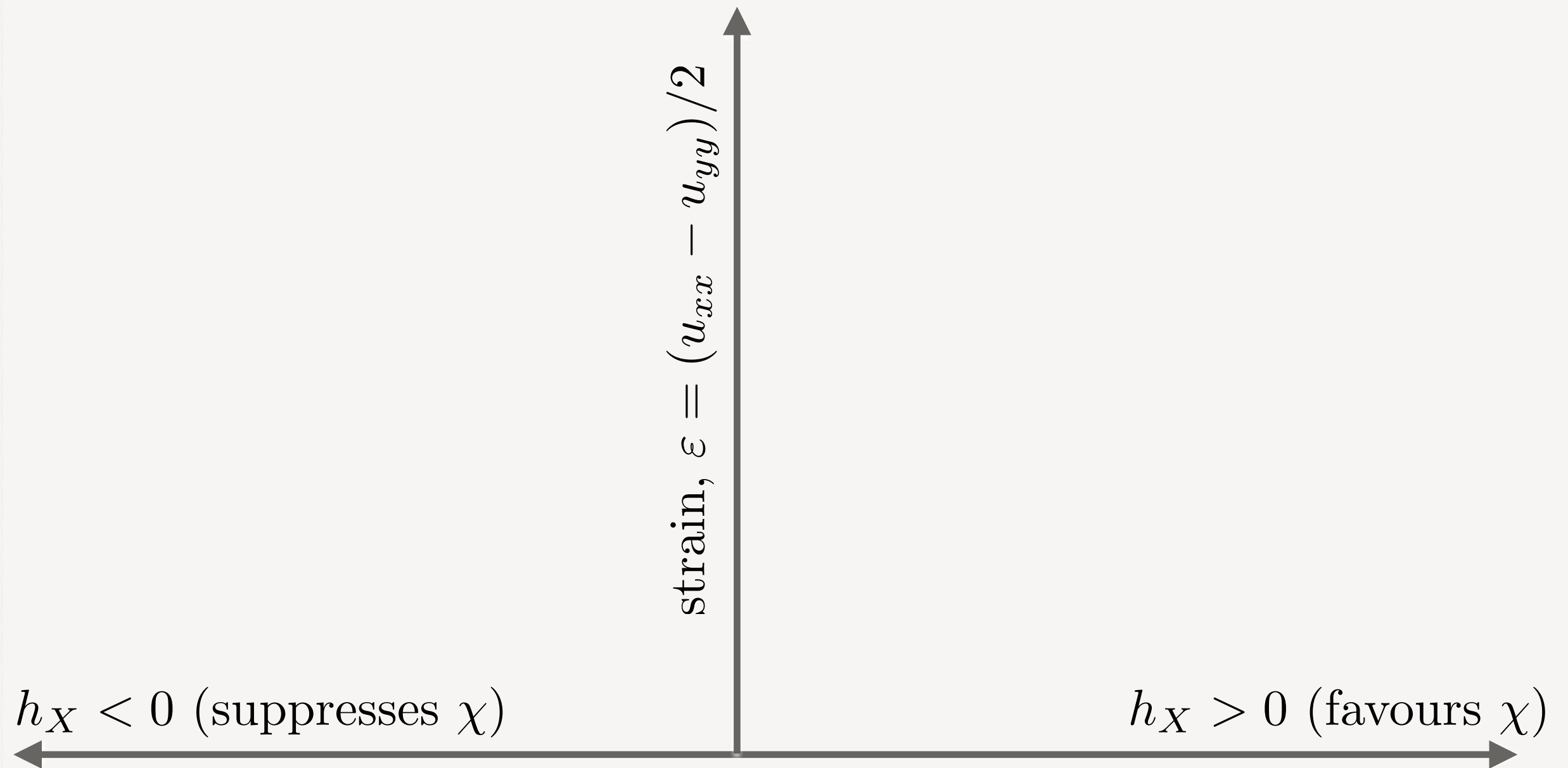


$X(h_X) = X(0) + \langle \Delta \chi^2 \rangle \sum_{\mathbf{R}} C_{\chi}(\mathbf{R}, 0)$ where $C_{\chi}(\mathbf{R}, 0)$ is the equal time, spatial correlation of χ .

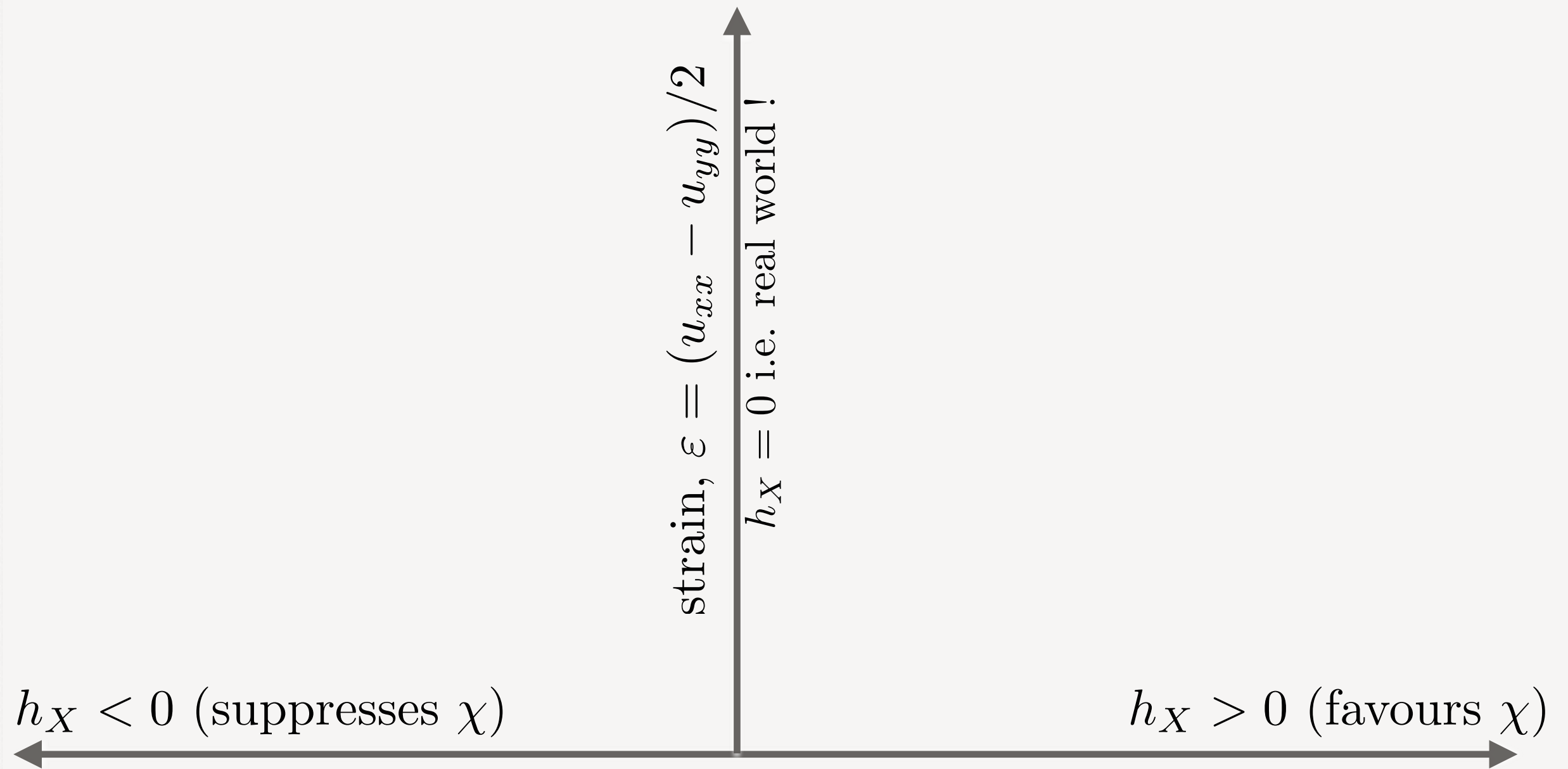


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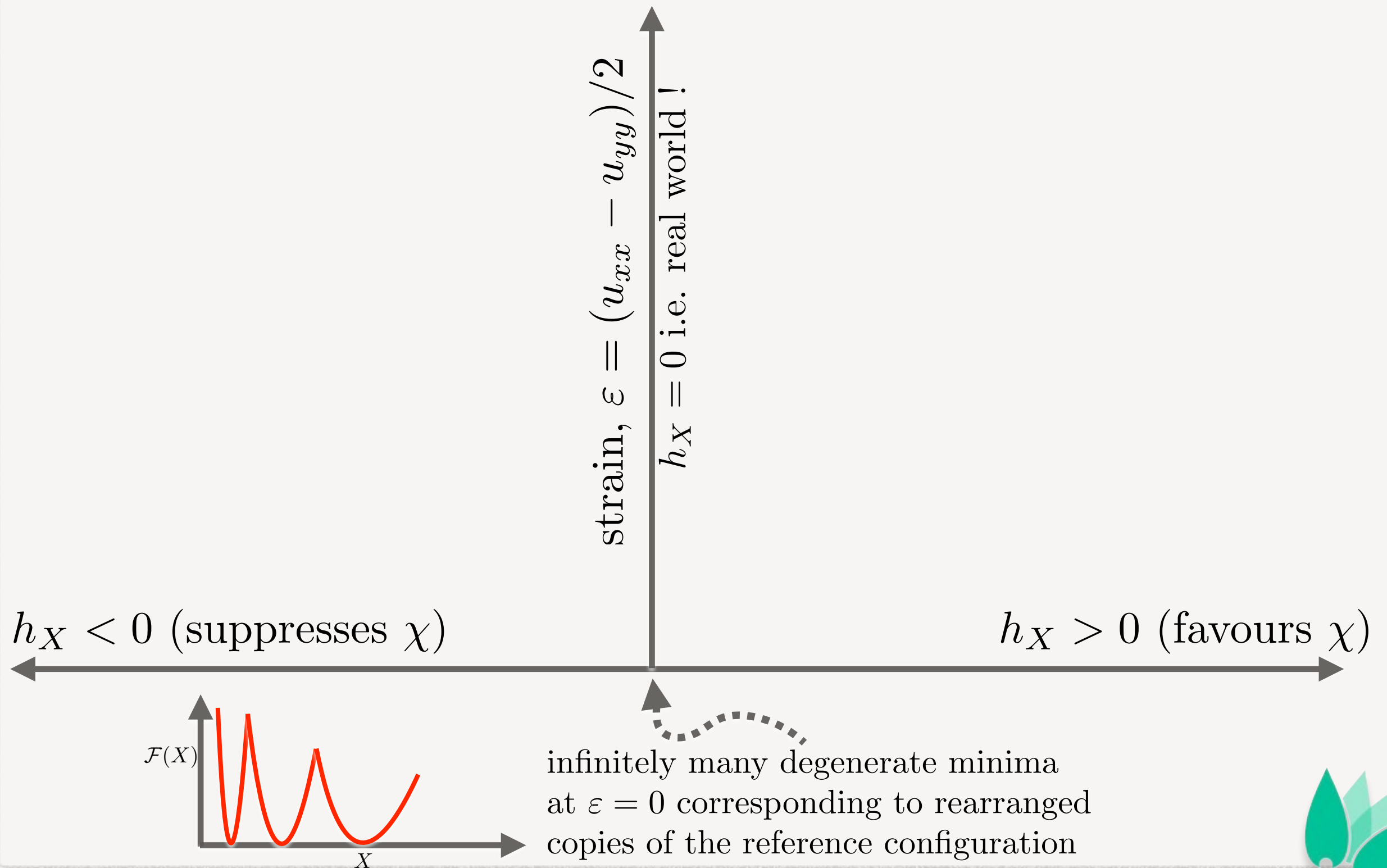
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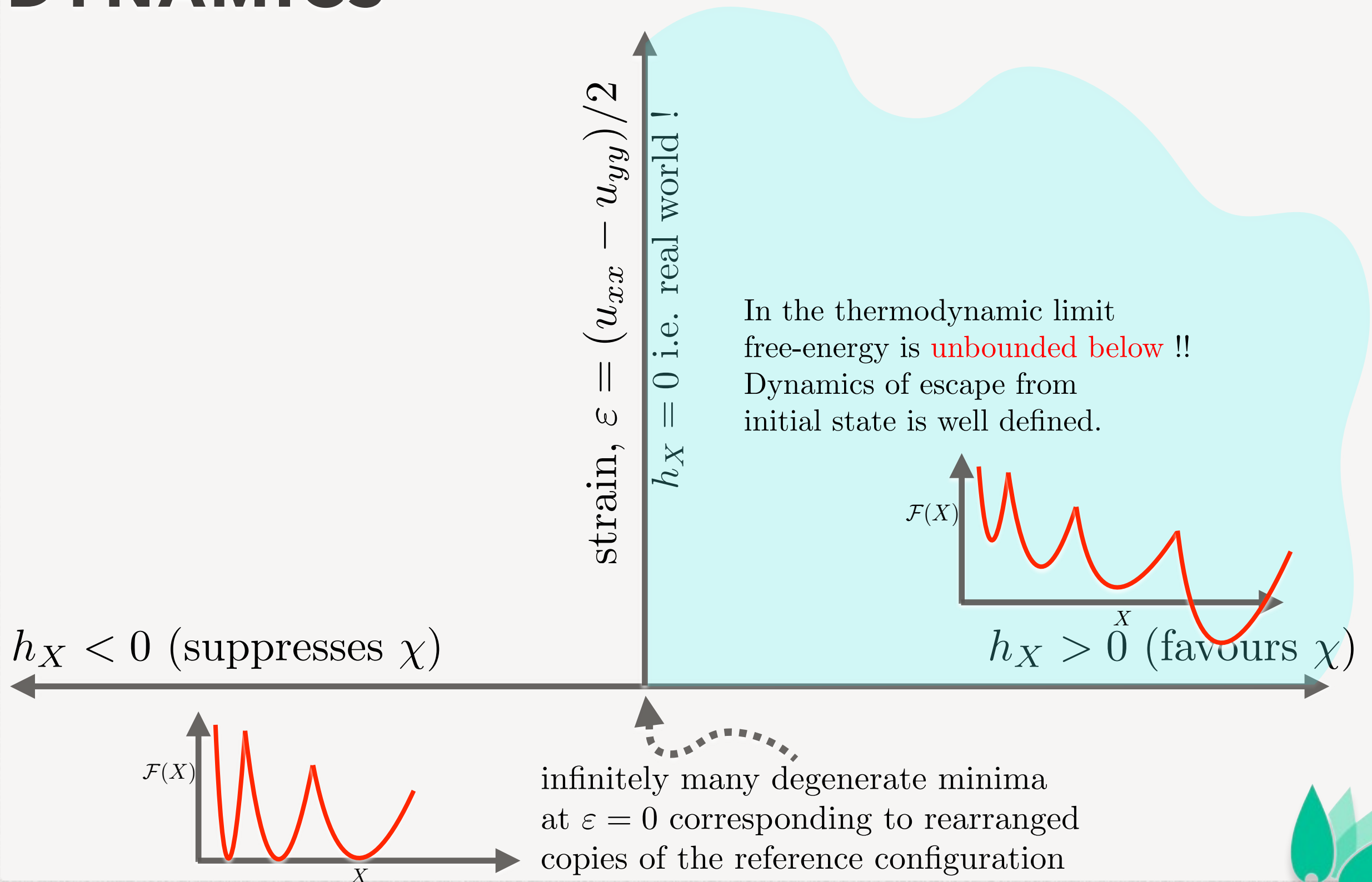
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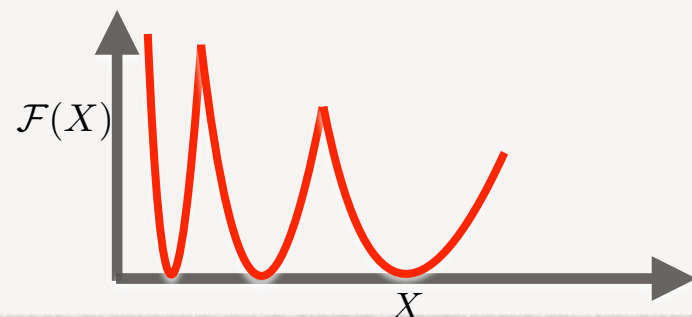
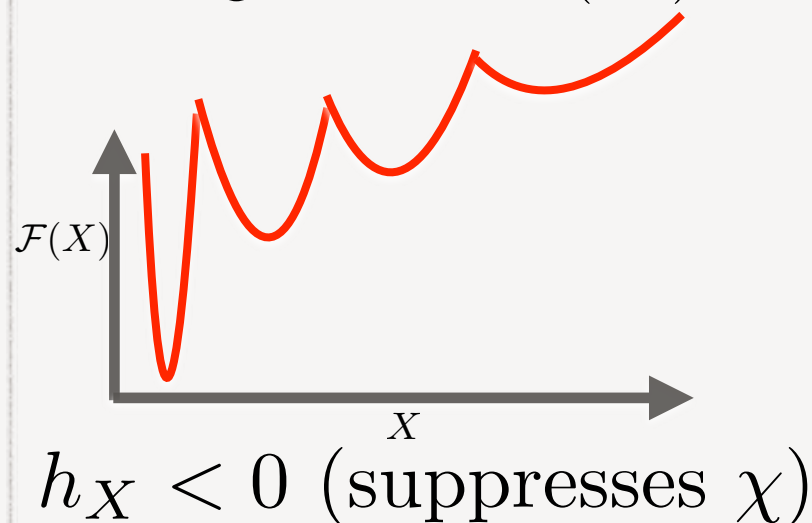


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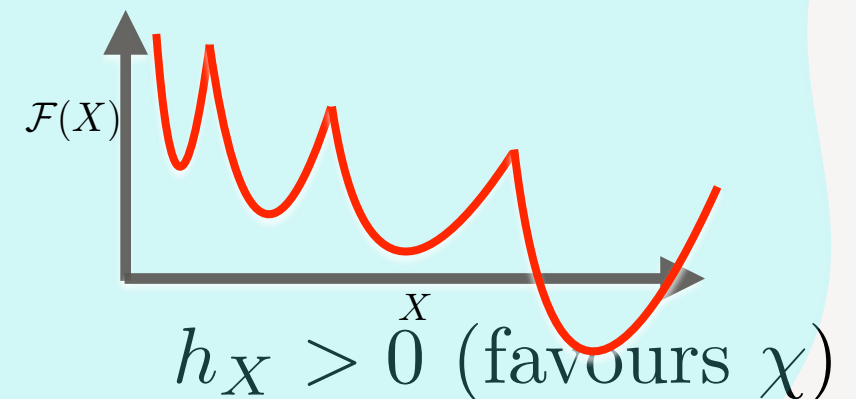
Thermodynamics well-defined rearrangements cost (h_X) energy



infinitely many degenerate minima at $\varepsilon = 0$ corresponding to rearranged copies of the reference configuration

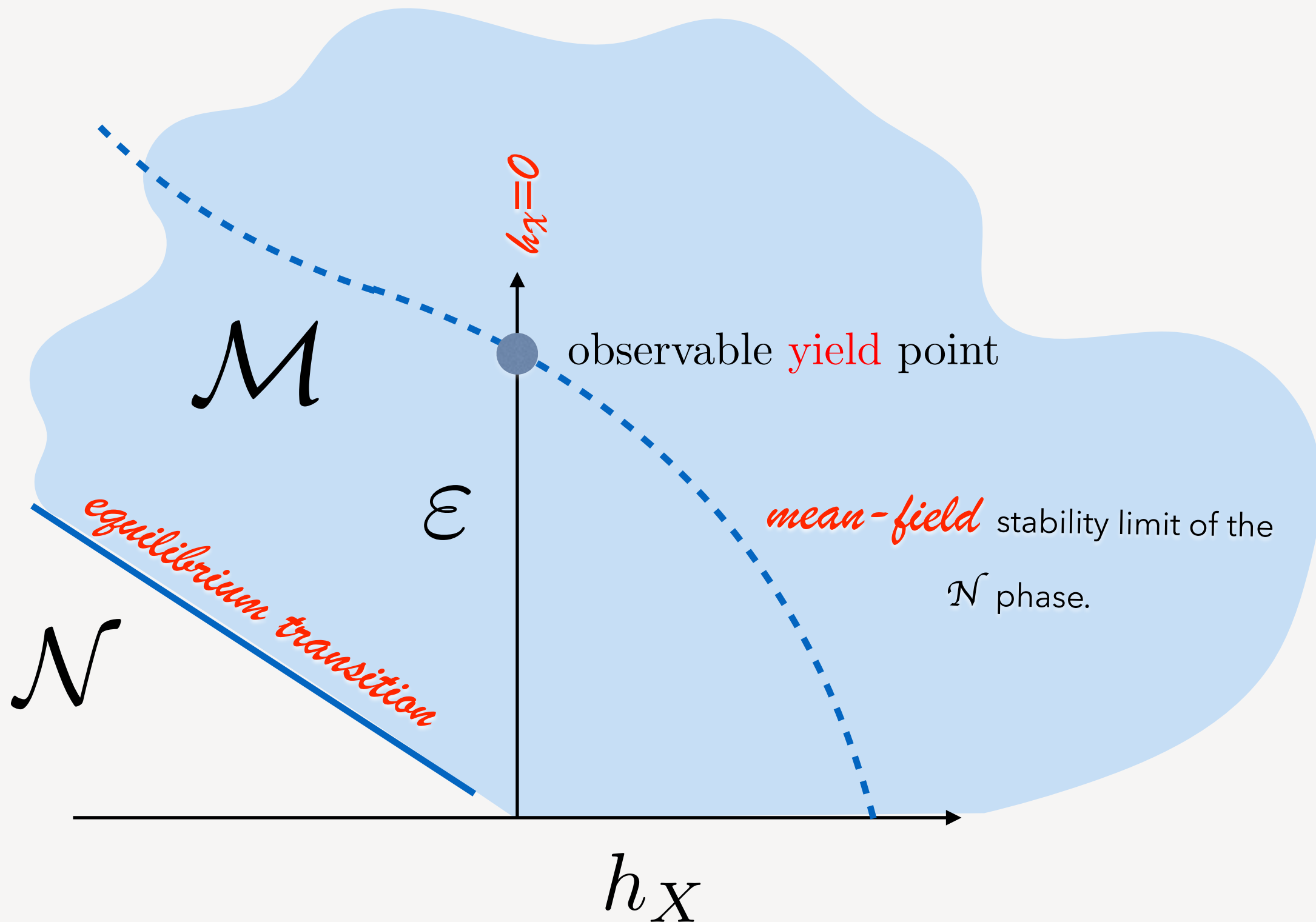
strain, $\varepsilon = (u_{xx} - u_{yy})/2$
 $h_X = 0$ i.e. real world !

In the thermodynamic limit free-energy is **unbounded below** !!
Dynamics of escape from initial state is well defined.

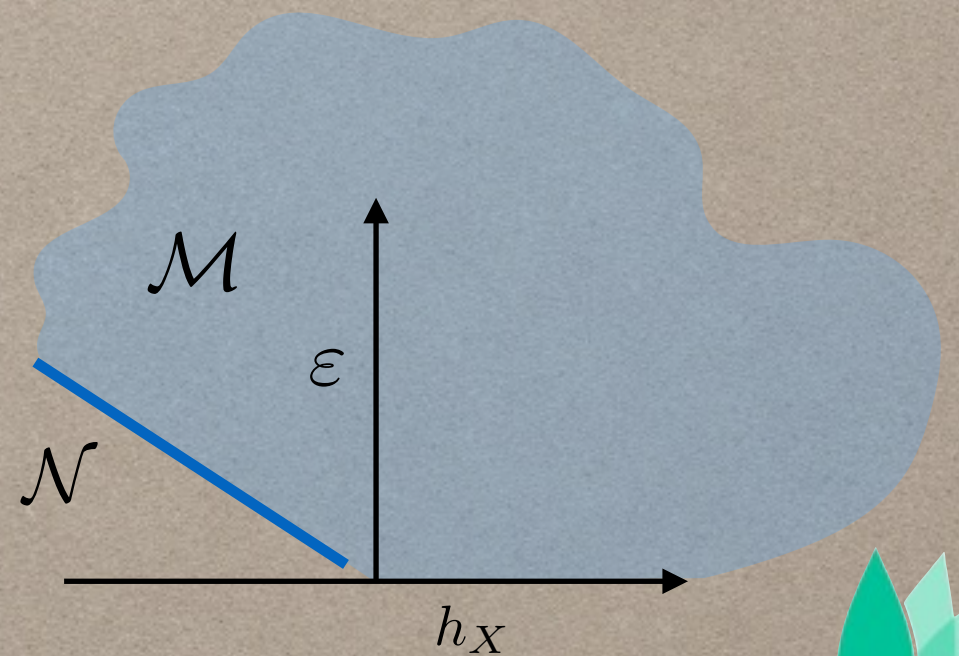


THE STORY

At the yield point the \mathcal{N} phase becomes unstable
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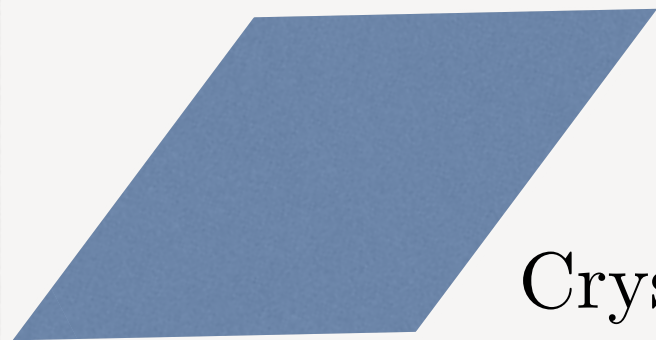


THE EQUILIBRIUM TRANSITION



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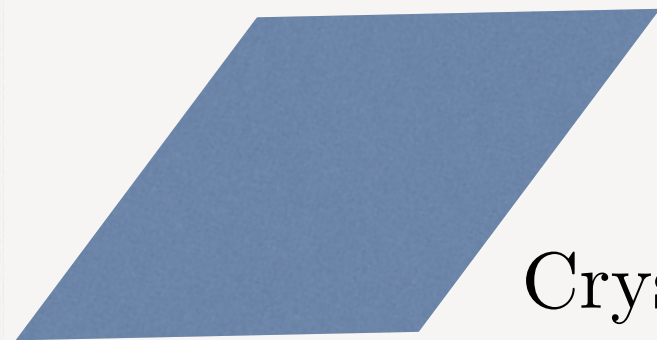
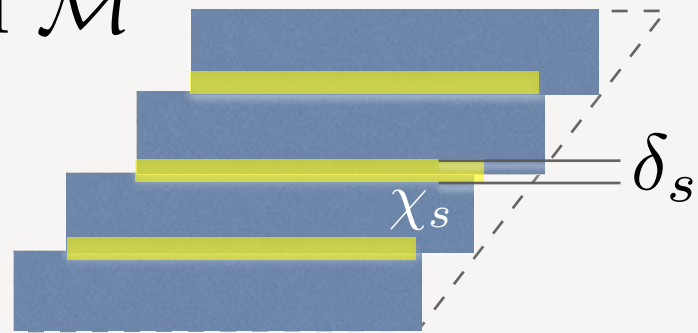
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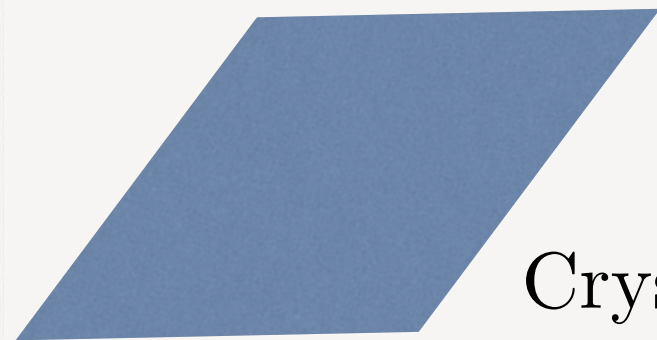
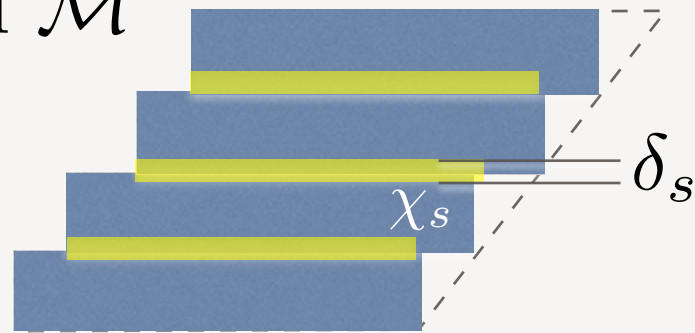
Crystal \mathcal{M}



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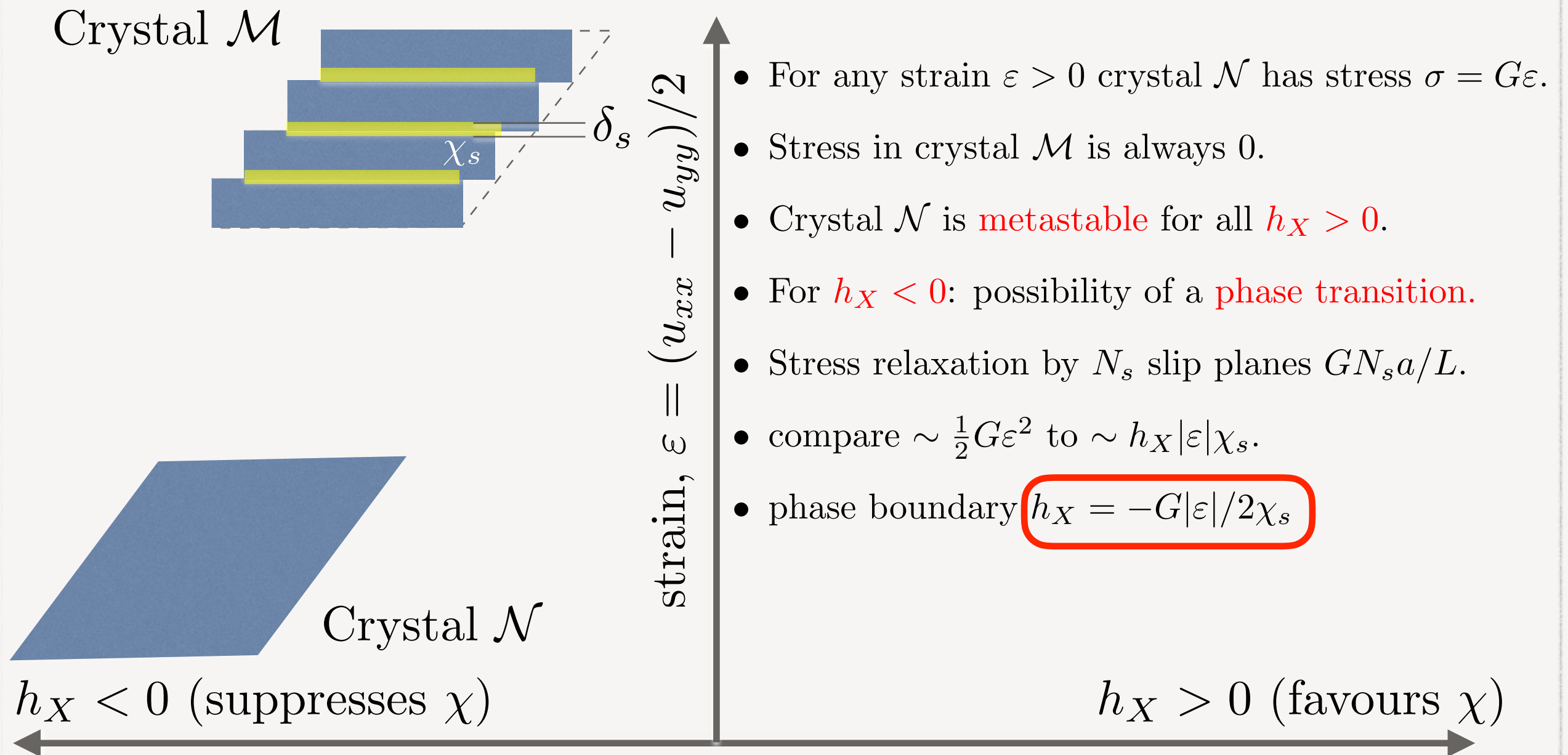
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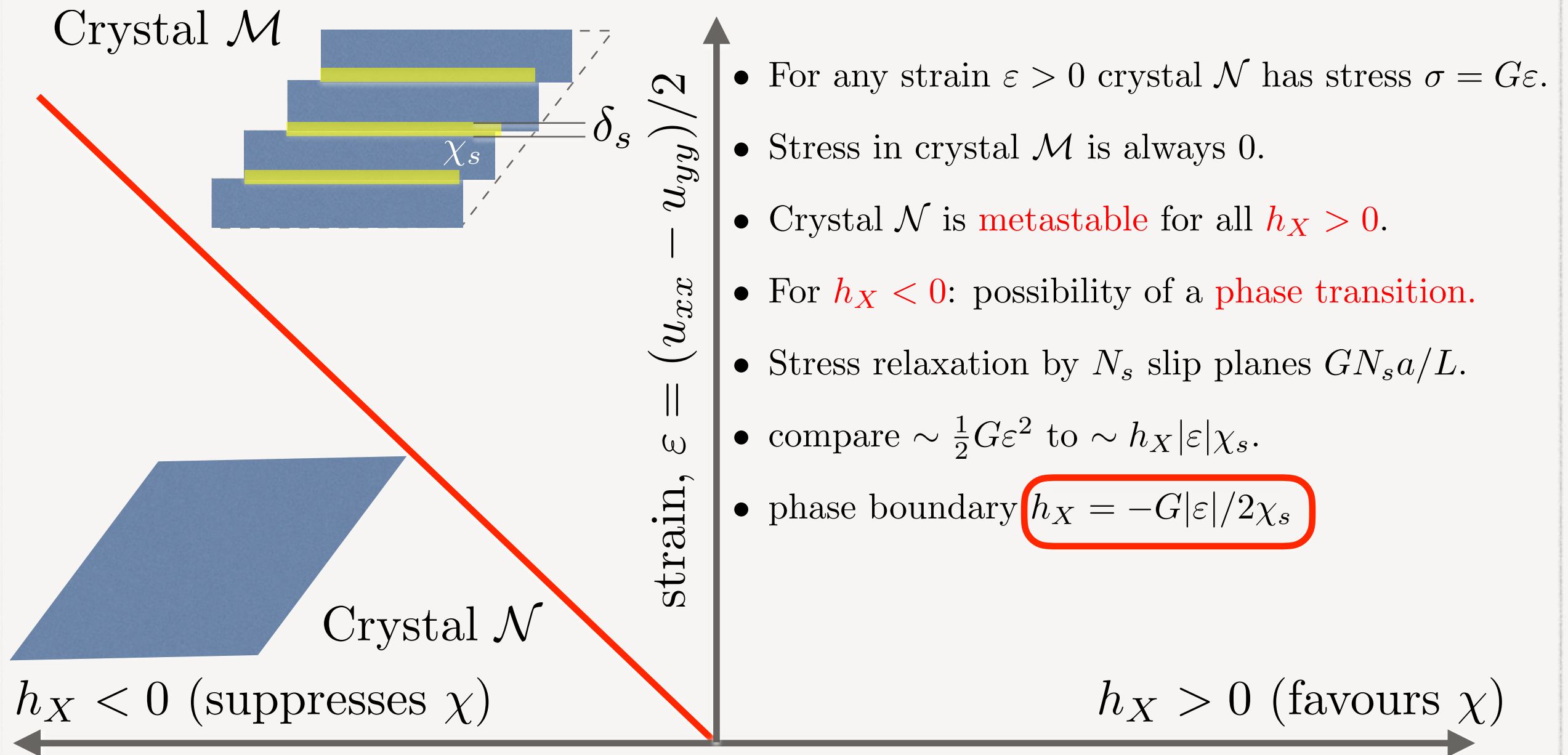
Crystal \mathcal{N}

- For any strain $\varepsilon > 0$ crystal \mathcal{N} has stress $\sigma = G\varepsilon$.
- Stress in crystal \mathcal{M} is always 0.
- Crystal \mathcal{N} is **metastable** for all $h_X > 0$.
- For $h_X < 0$: possibility of a **phase transition**.
- Stress relaxation by N_s slip planes $GN_s a/L$.
- compare $\sim \frac{1}{2}G\varepsilon^2$ to $\sim h_X|\varepsilon|\chi_s$.
- phase boundary $h_X = -G|\varepsilon|/2\chi_s$

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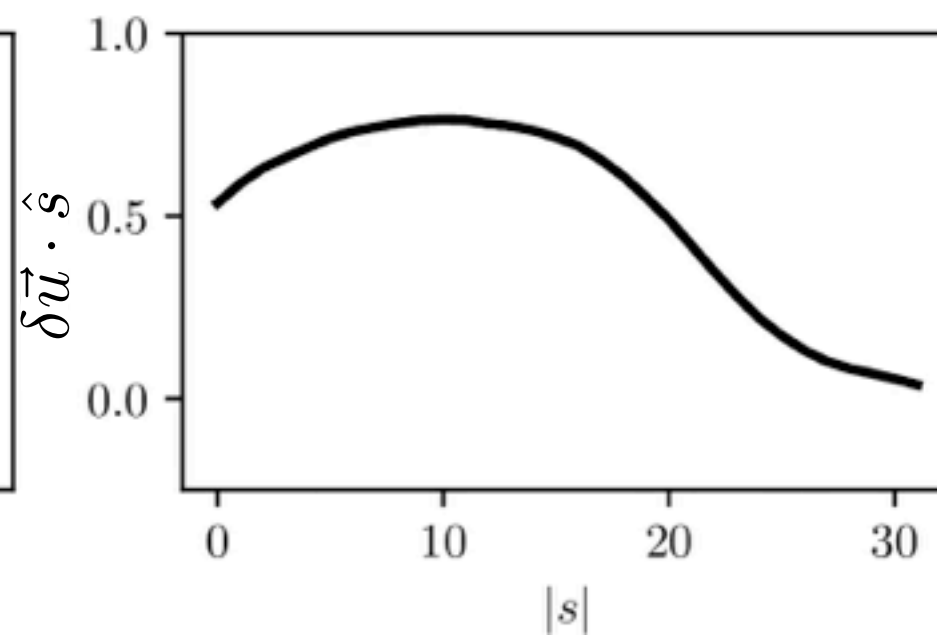
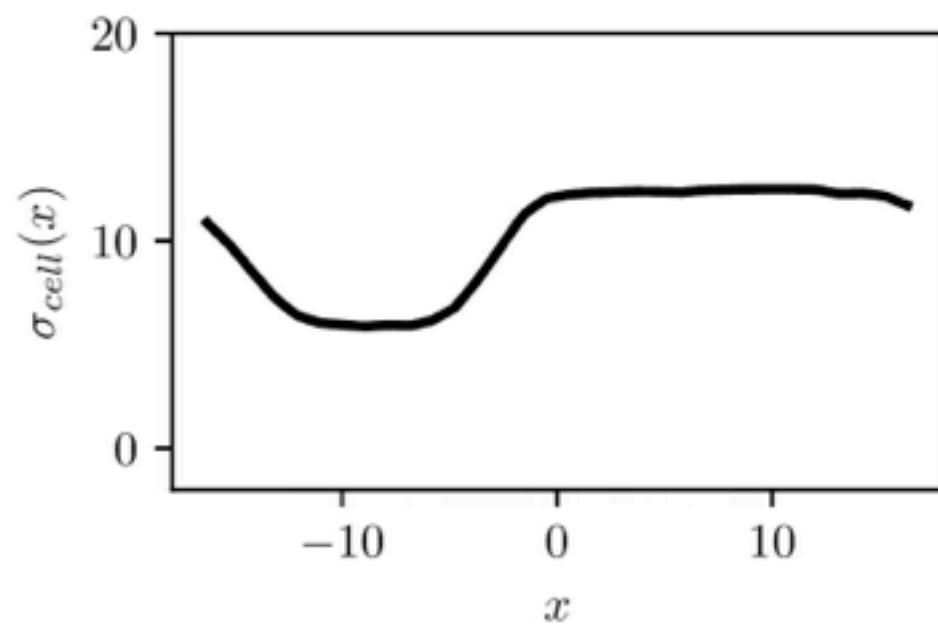
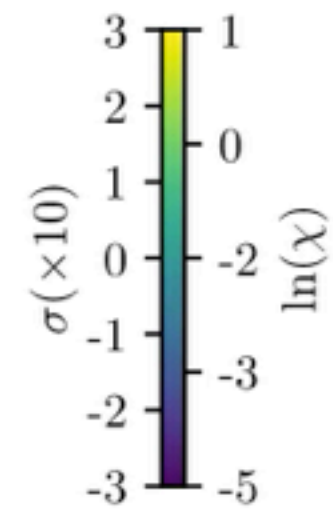
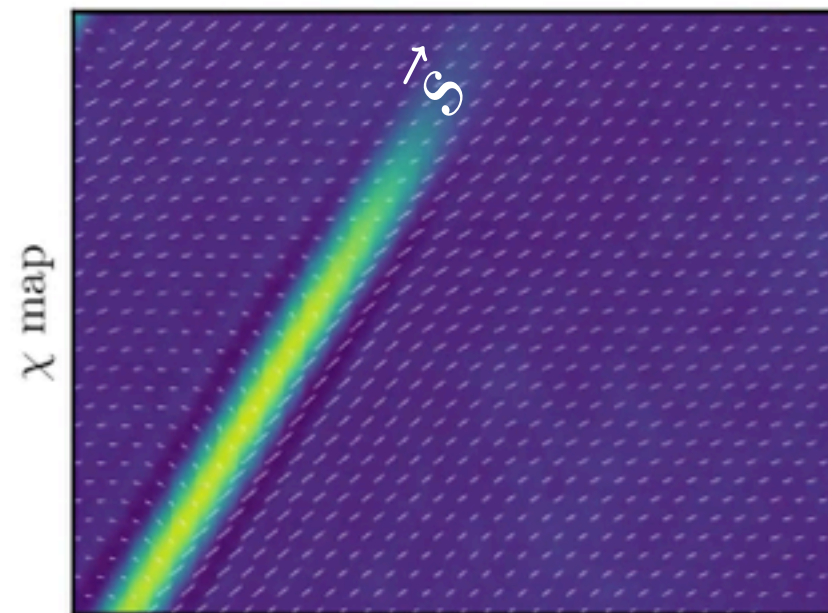
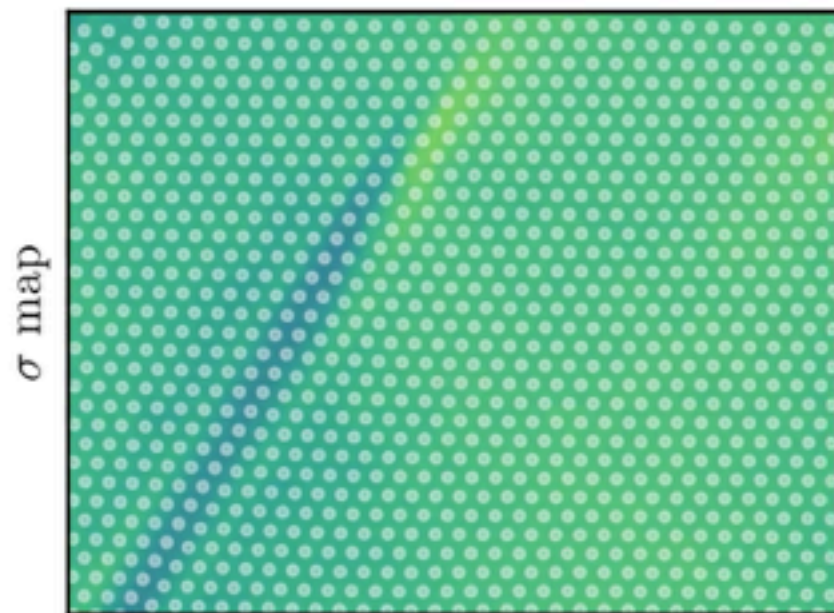
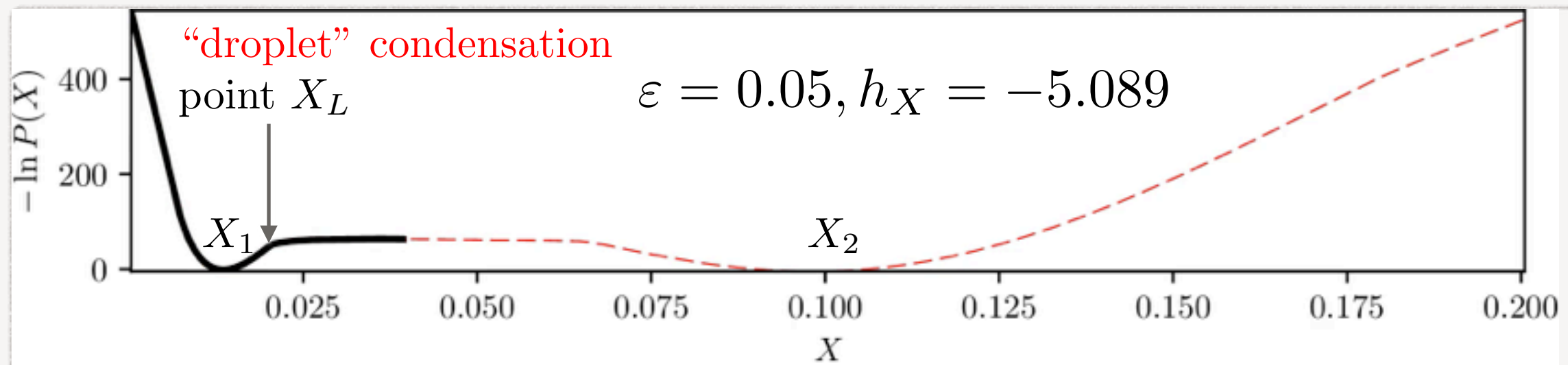


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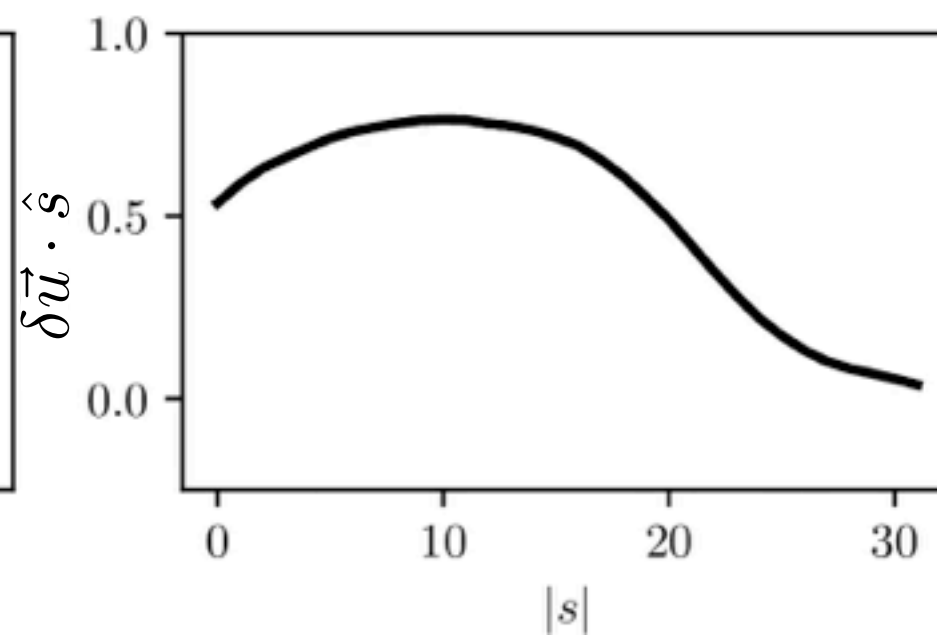
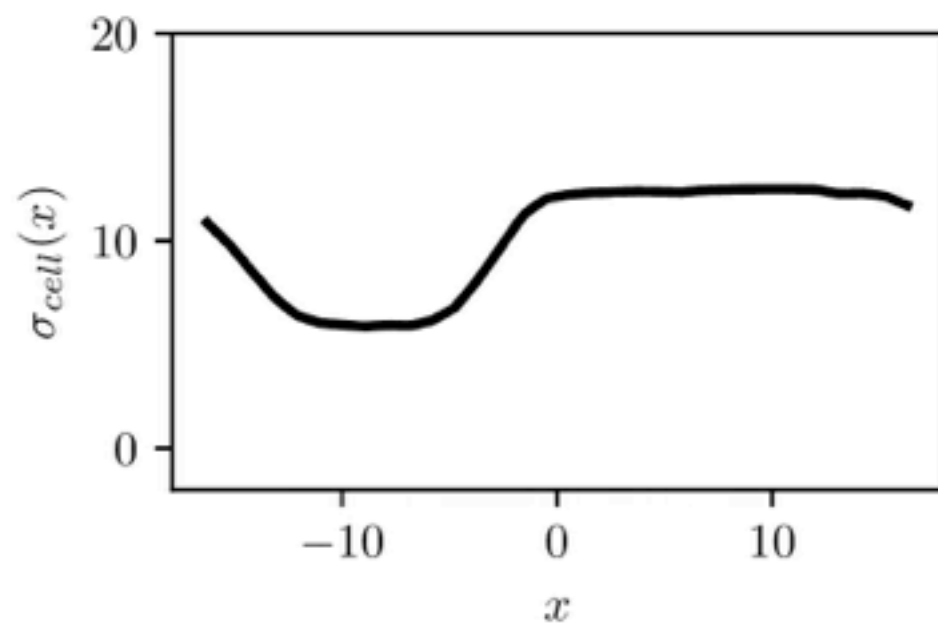
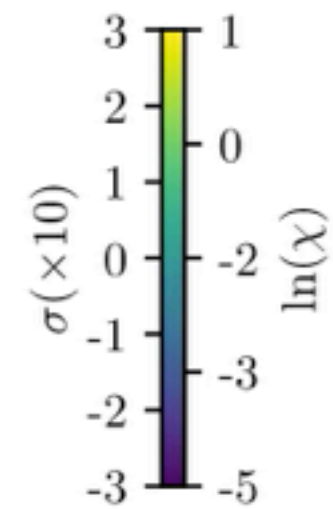
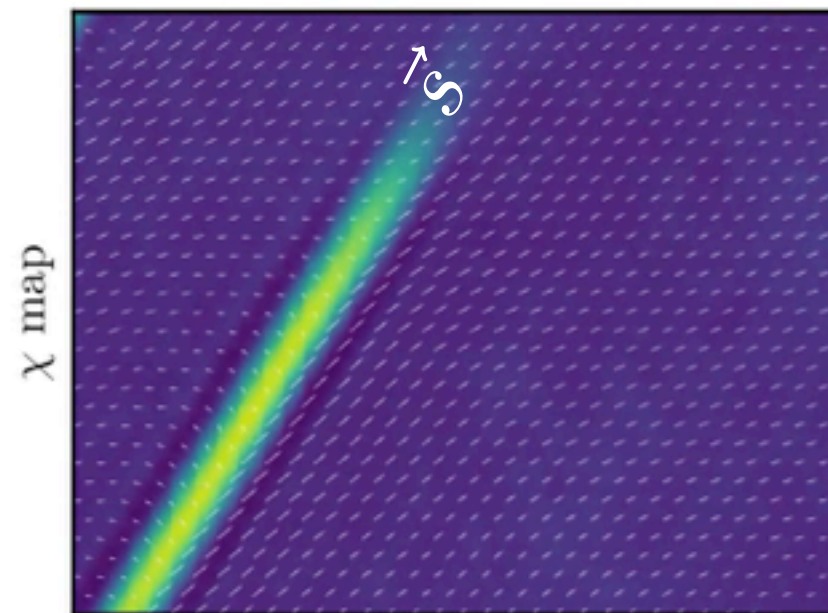
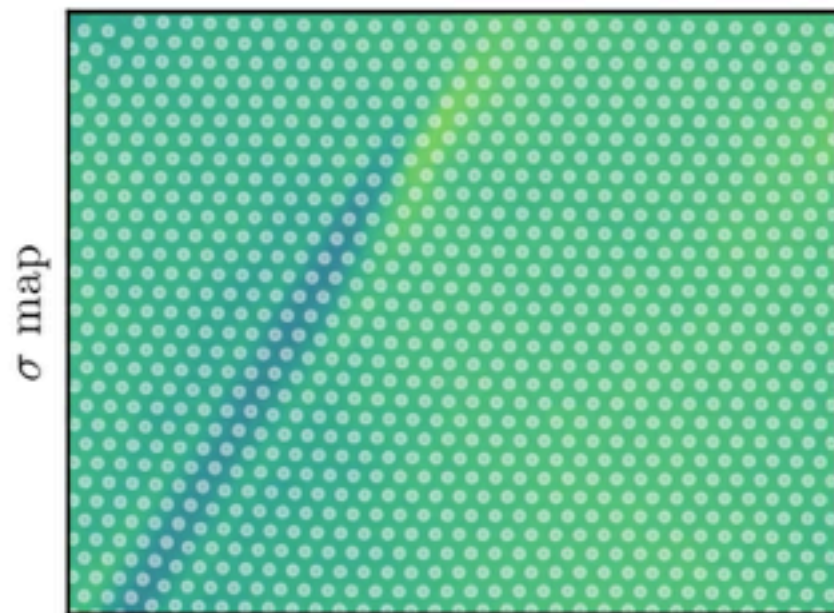
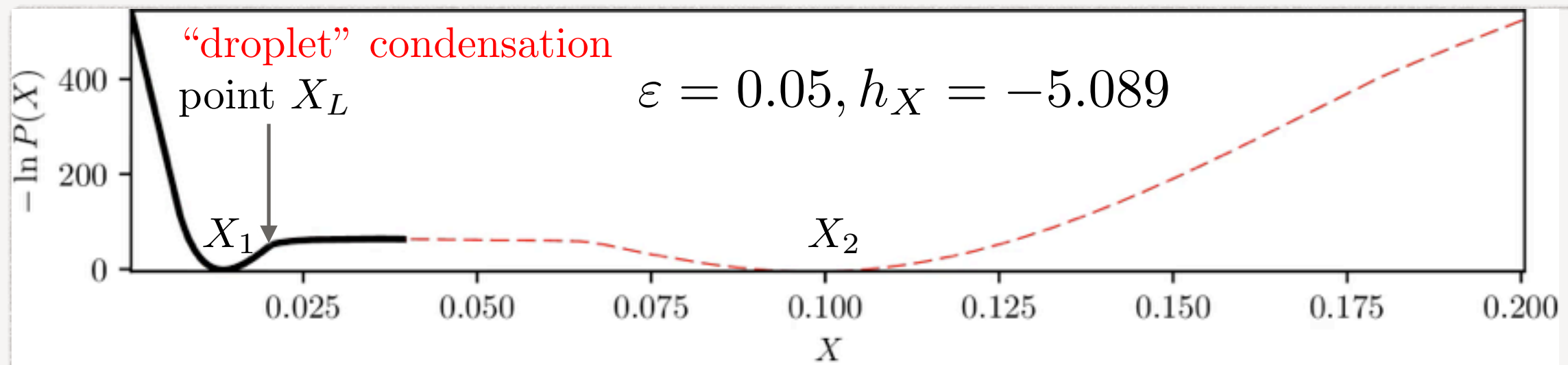
$T > 0$

- N particles with Lennard Jones interactions in 2d **plus** non-affine field.
- constant $N, V(\text{shape}), T$, ensemble.
- cut-off at 2.5 times particle diameter, truncated and shifted, $T^* = 0.8, \rho = 2/\sqrt{3}$.
- Large energy barriers between \mathcal{N} and \mathcal{M} crystals.
- **Sequential umbrella sampling** Monte Carlo (SUS-MC) technique needed.
- accurate calculation of $P(X)$ at the transition.
- transition point obtained by **histogram reweighting**.



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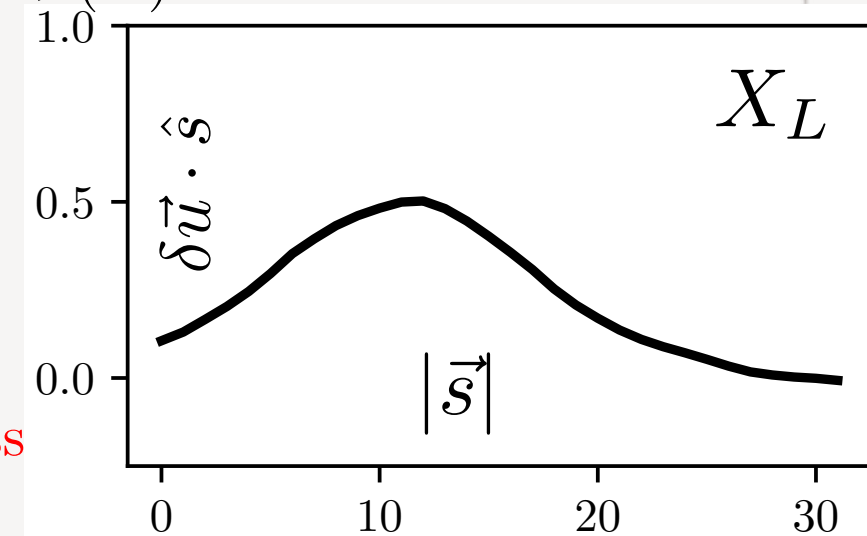
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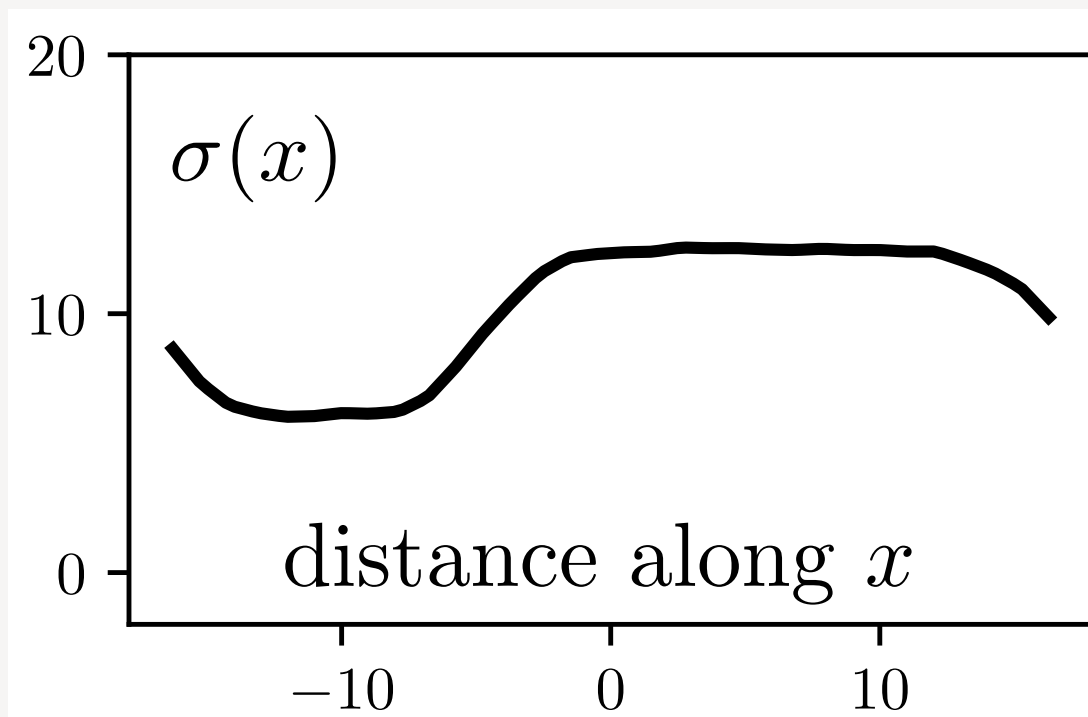
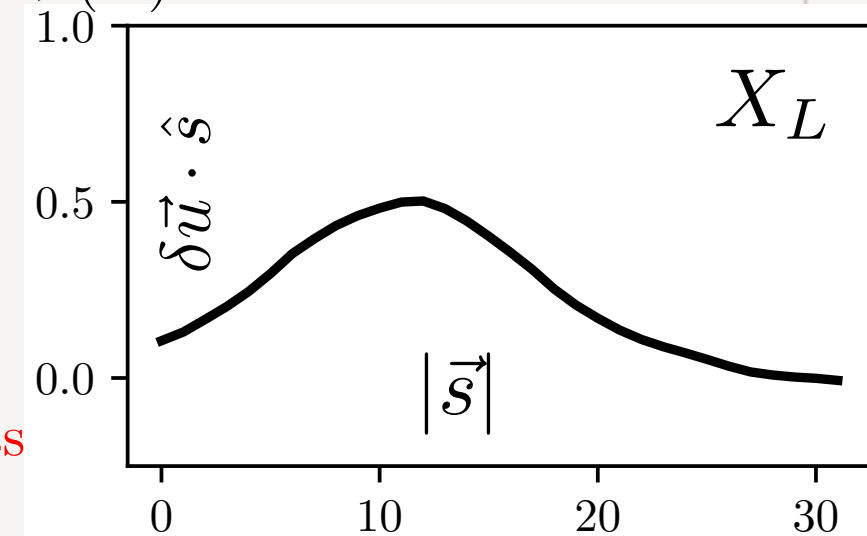
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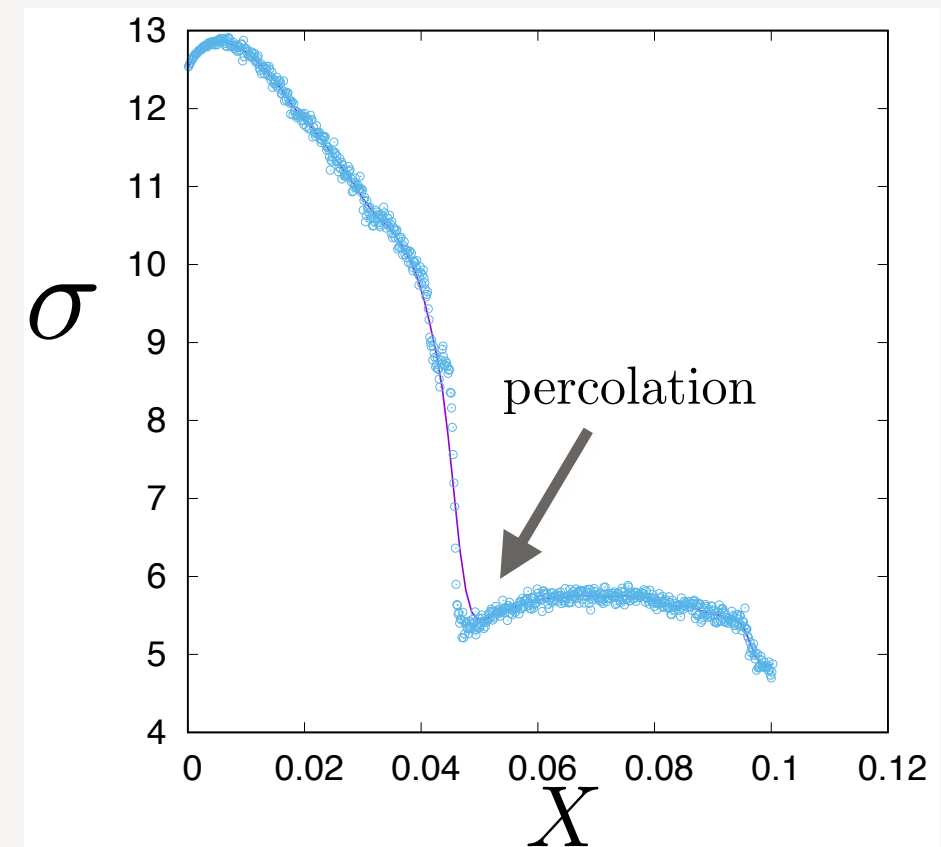
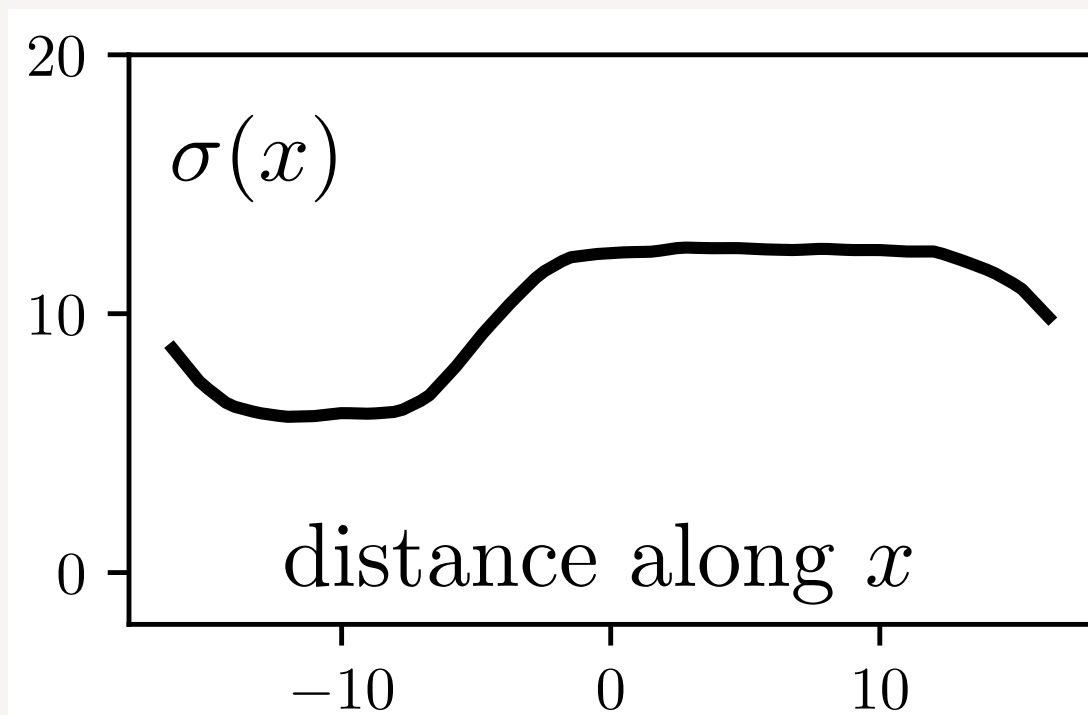
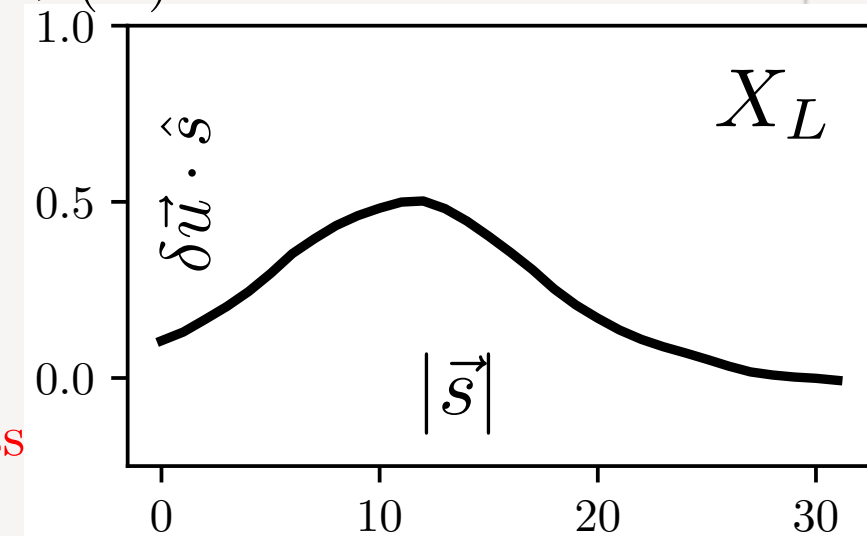
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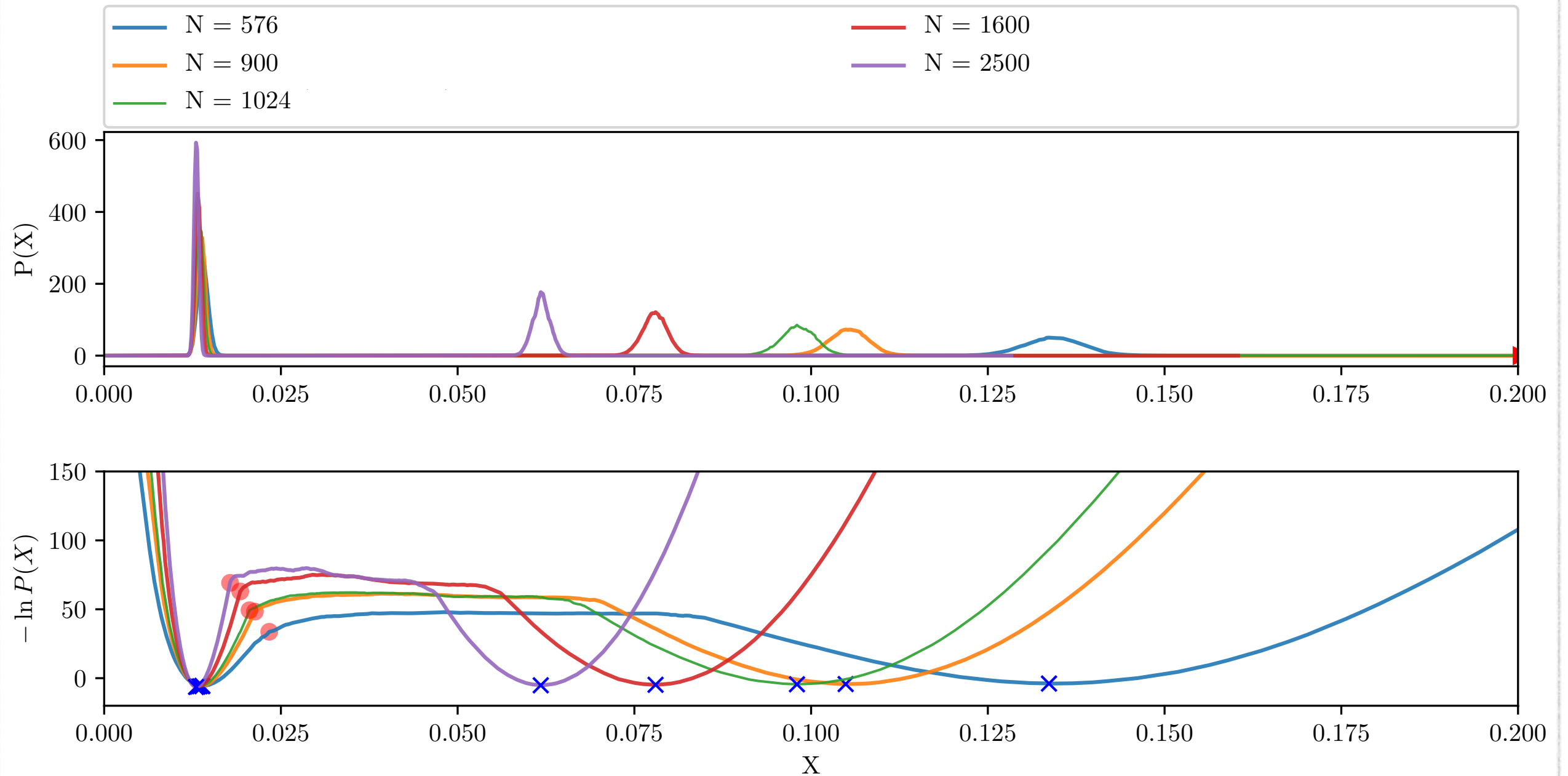


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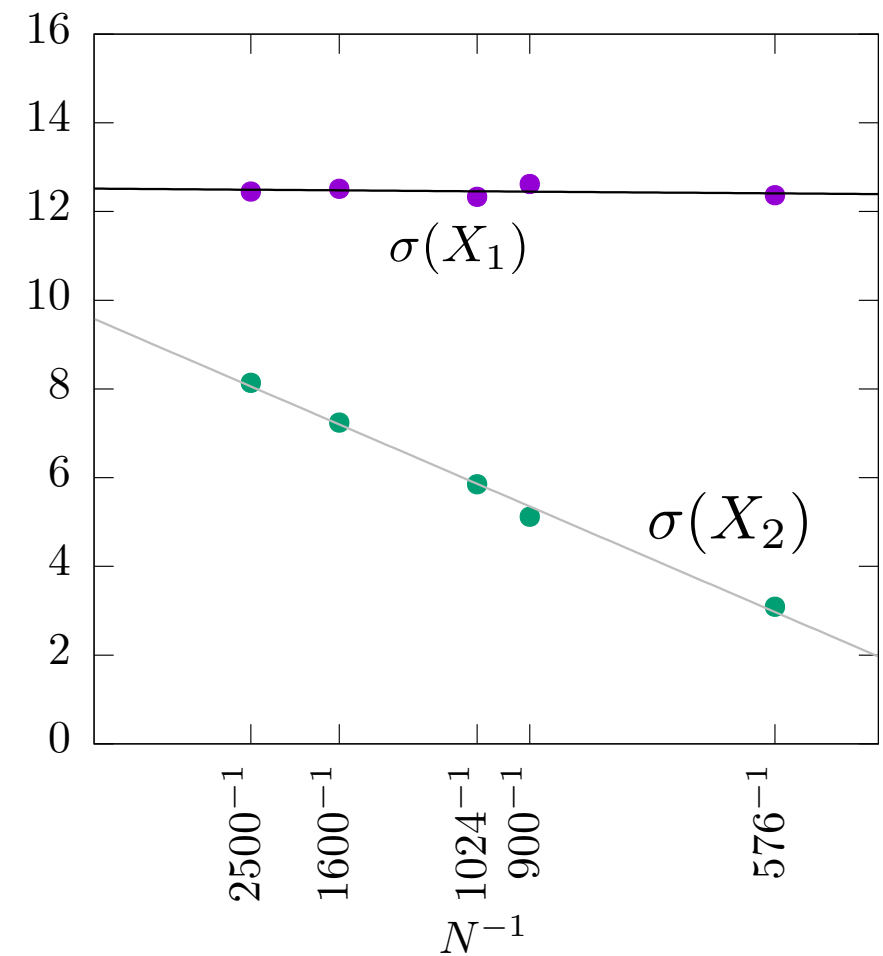
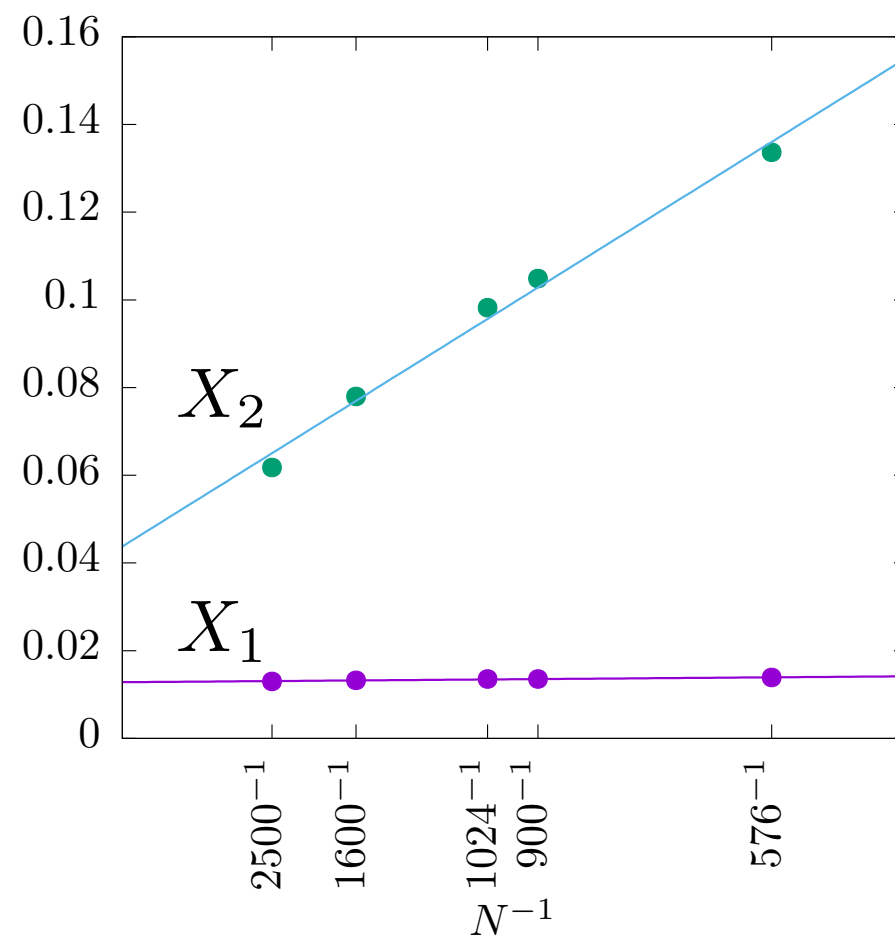
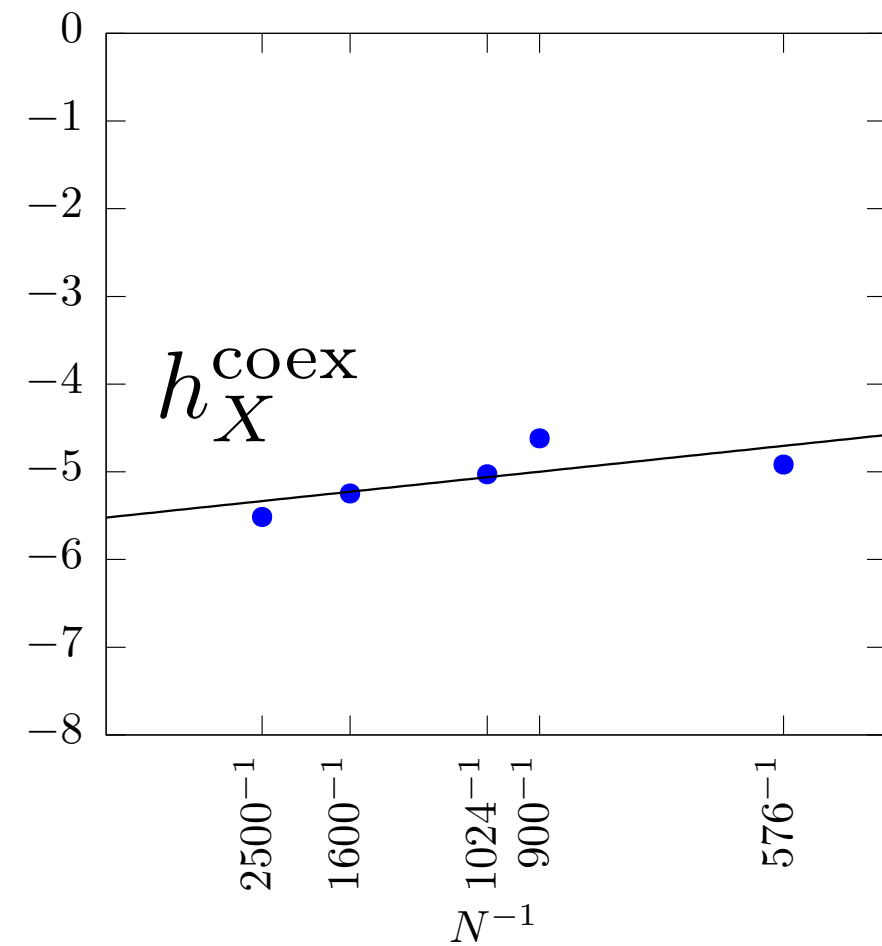
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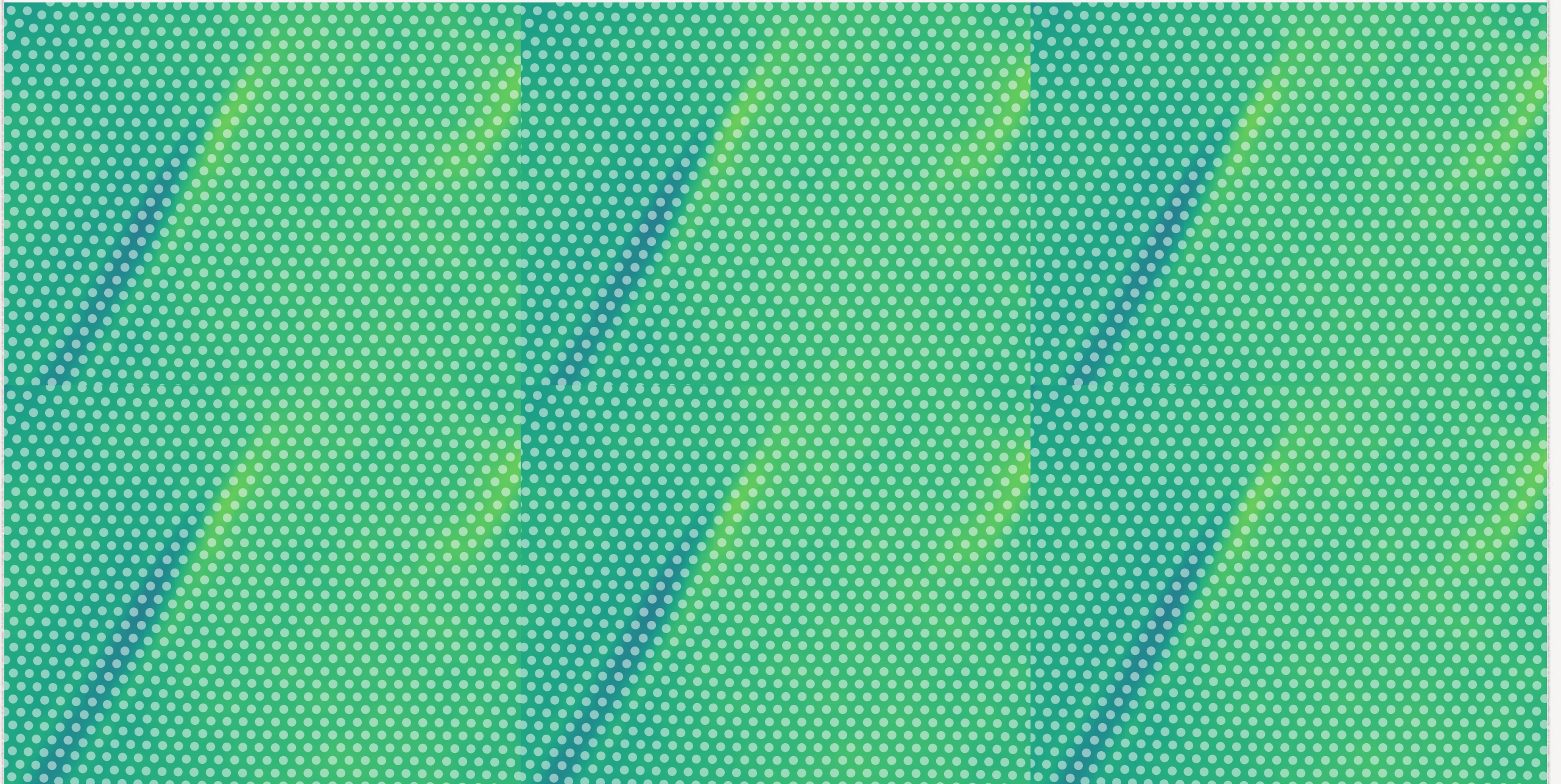


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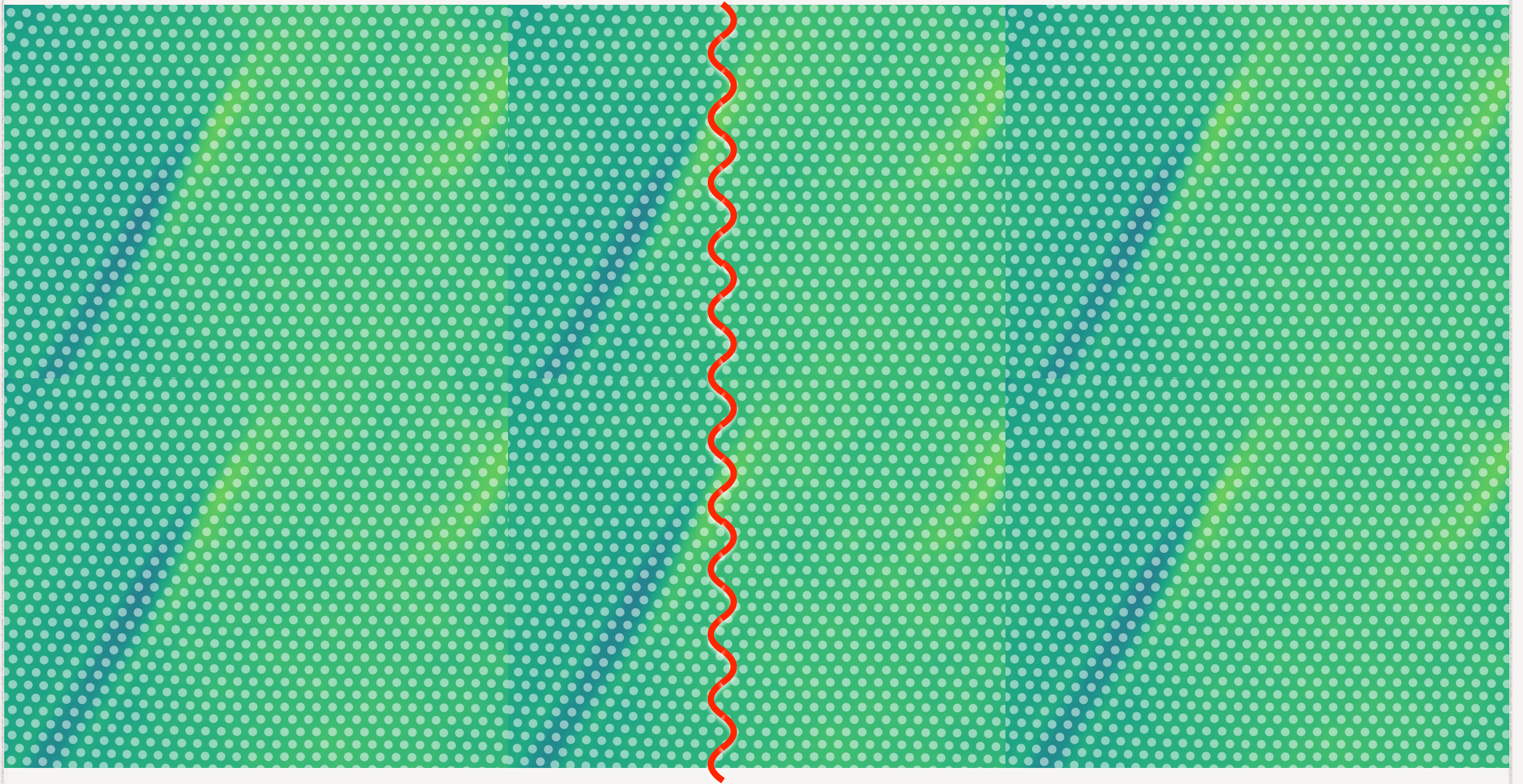


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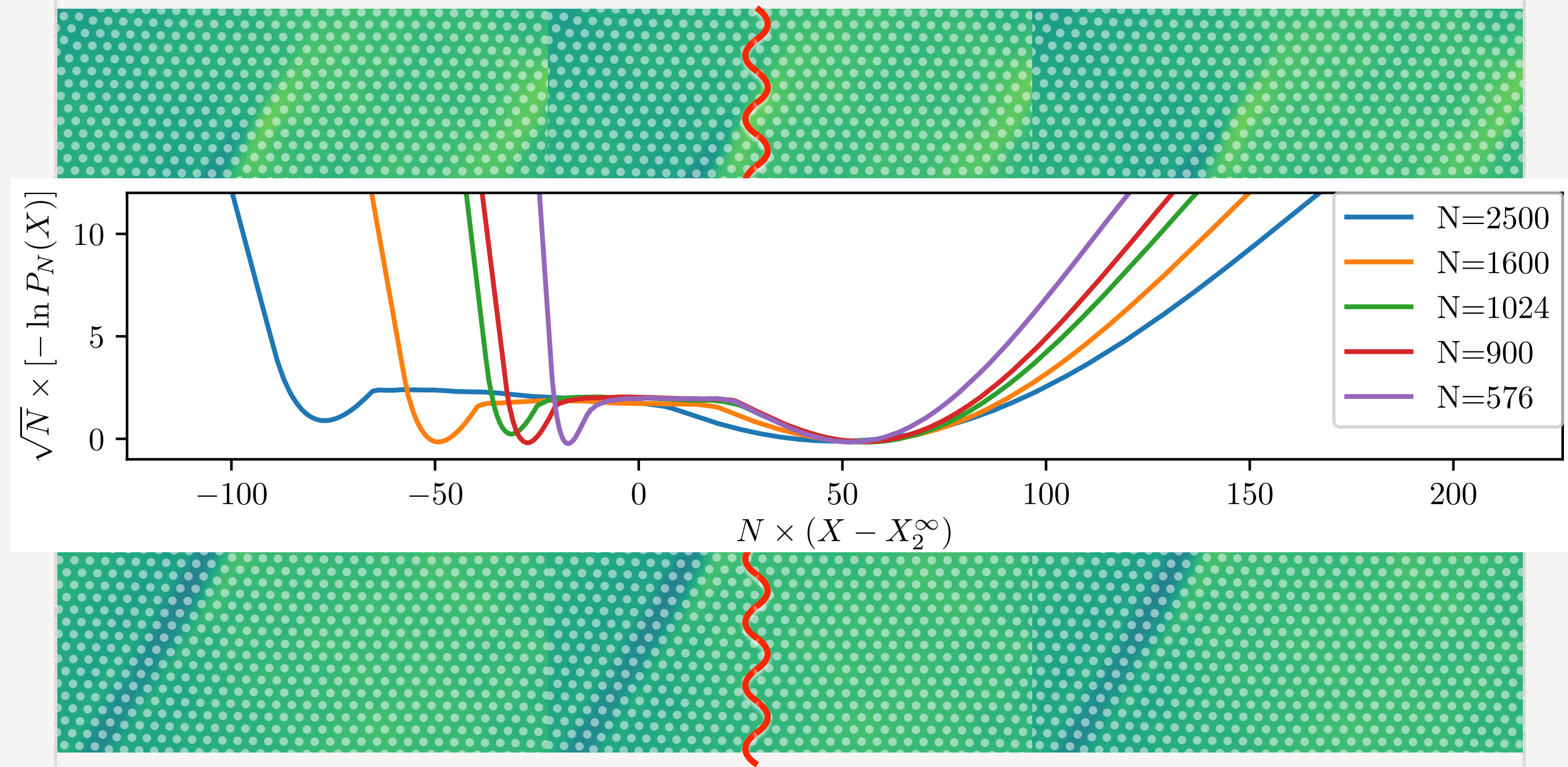
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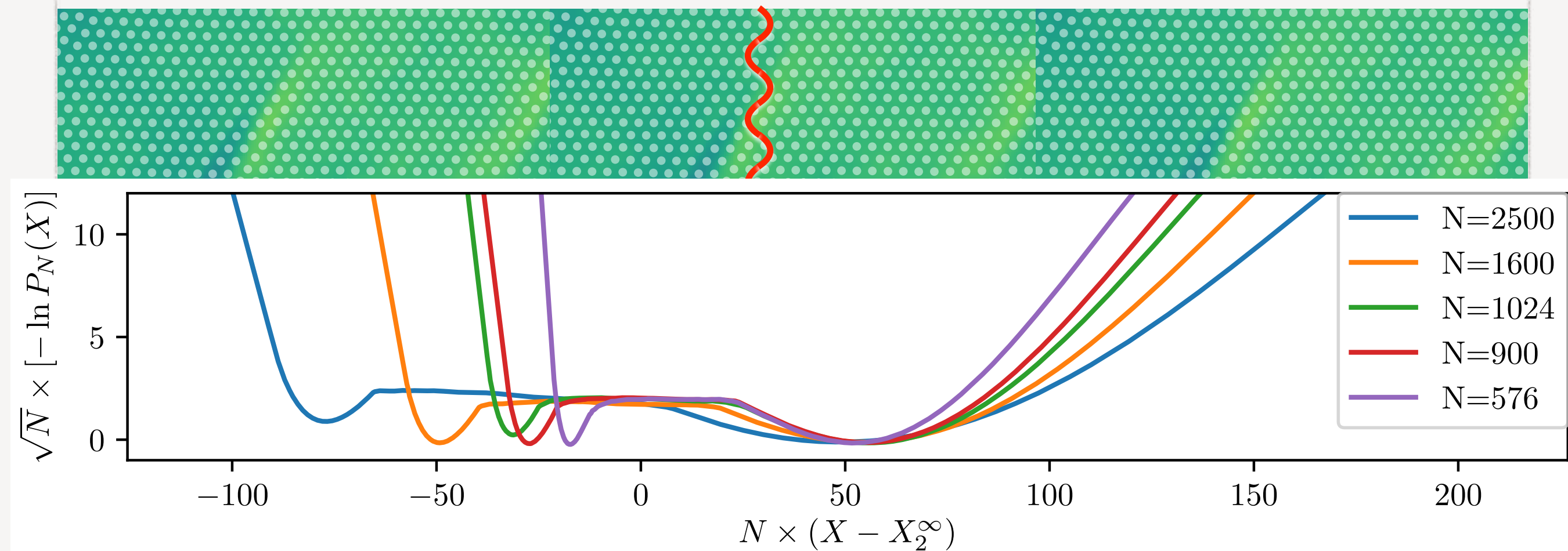
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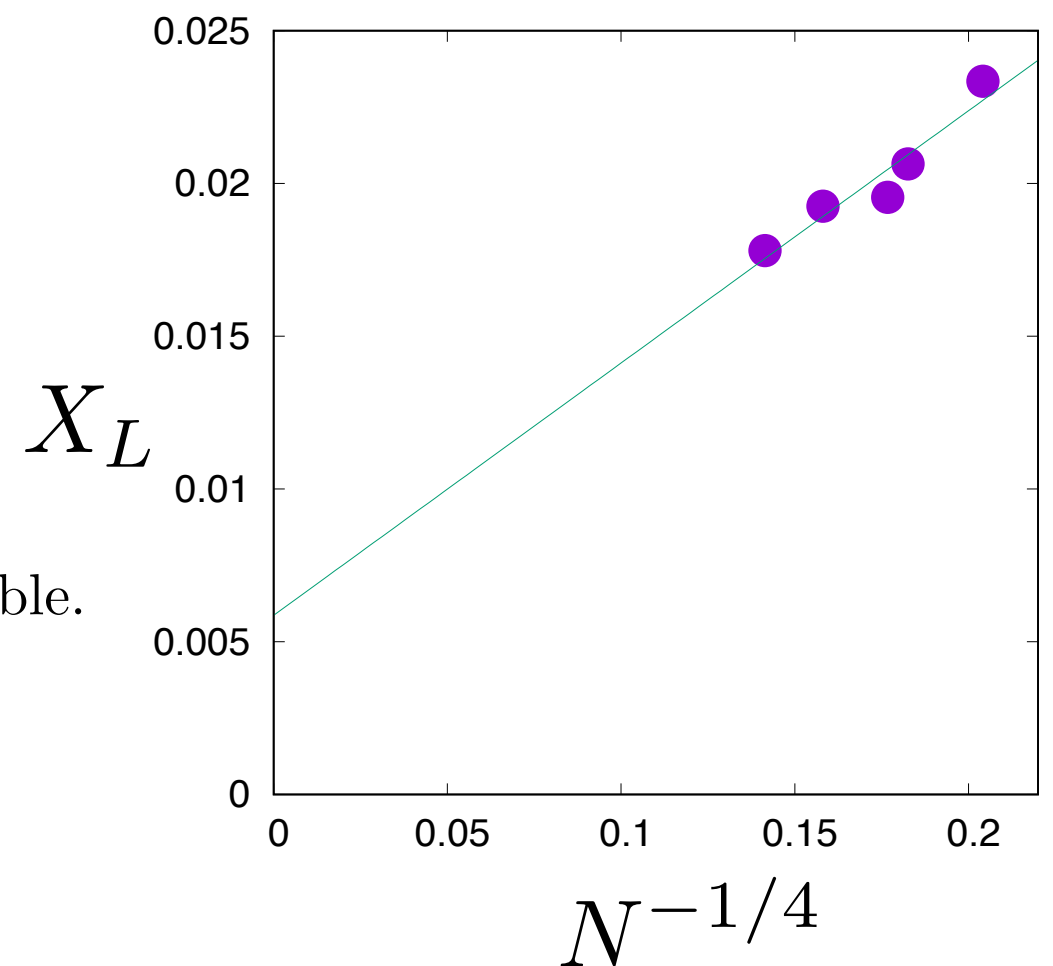
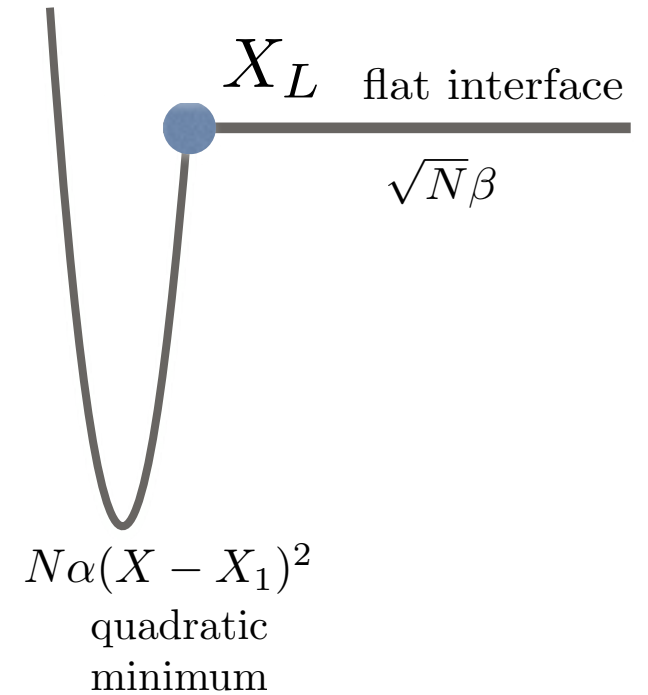
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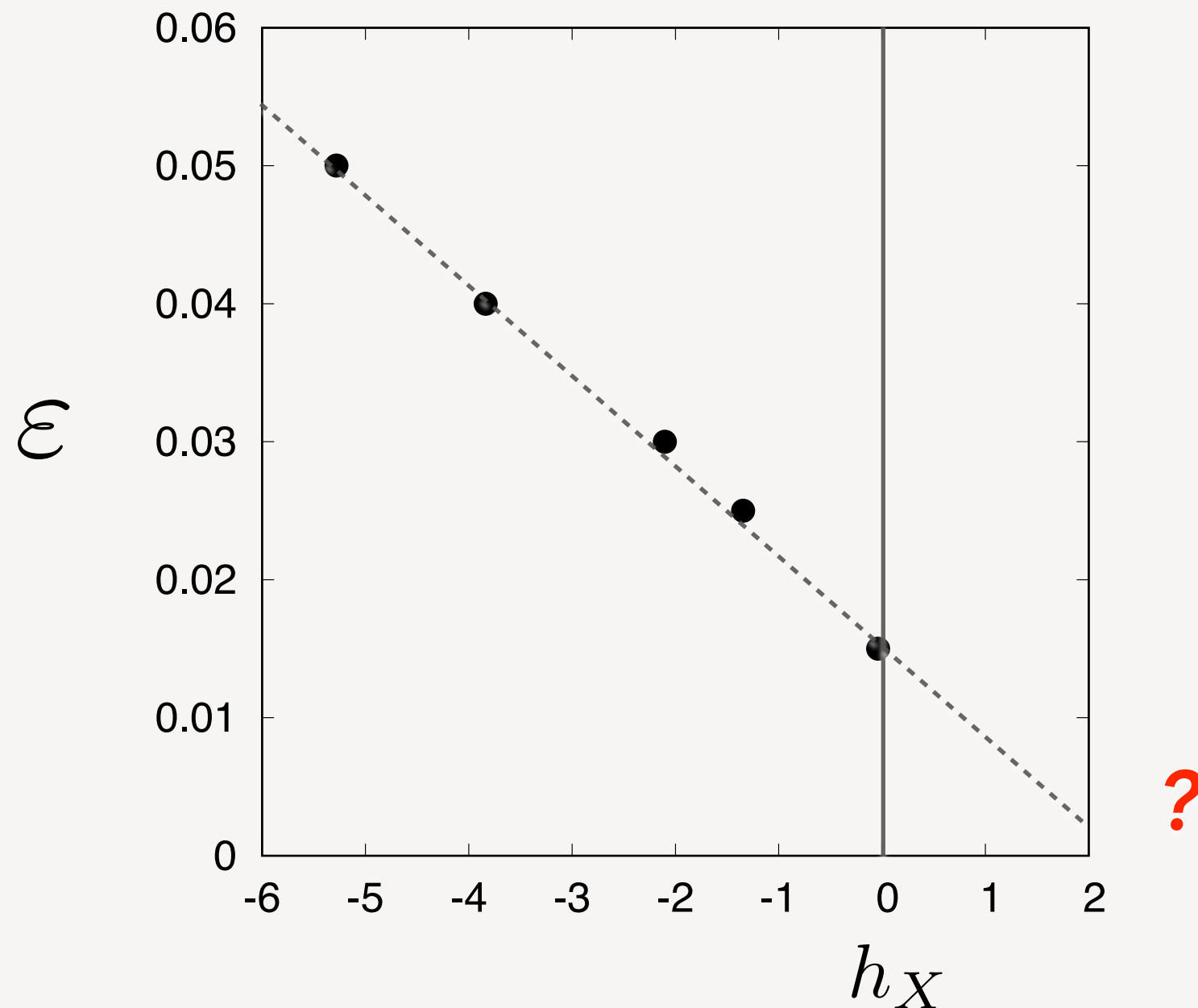
An **unconventional** solid-solid interface with absolutely normal finite size scaling property.

SCALING OF X_L

- X_L is the **limiting** value of X , an intensive quantity, upto which the crystal is stable.
- Hypothesis: X_L is given by the intersection of the quadratic minimum and the flat region in $-\ln P(X)$.
- Curvature of first minimum $\sim N$ and height of interfacial contribution $\sim \sqrt{N}$.
- This gives $(X_L - X_1) = \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{\alpha}} N^{-1/4}$.
- so, $X_L \rightarrow X_1$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.
- for large N non-flat interfaces and droplets become possible.



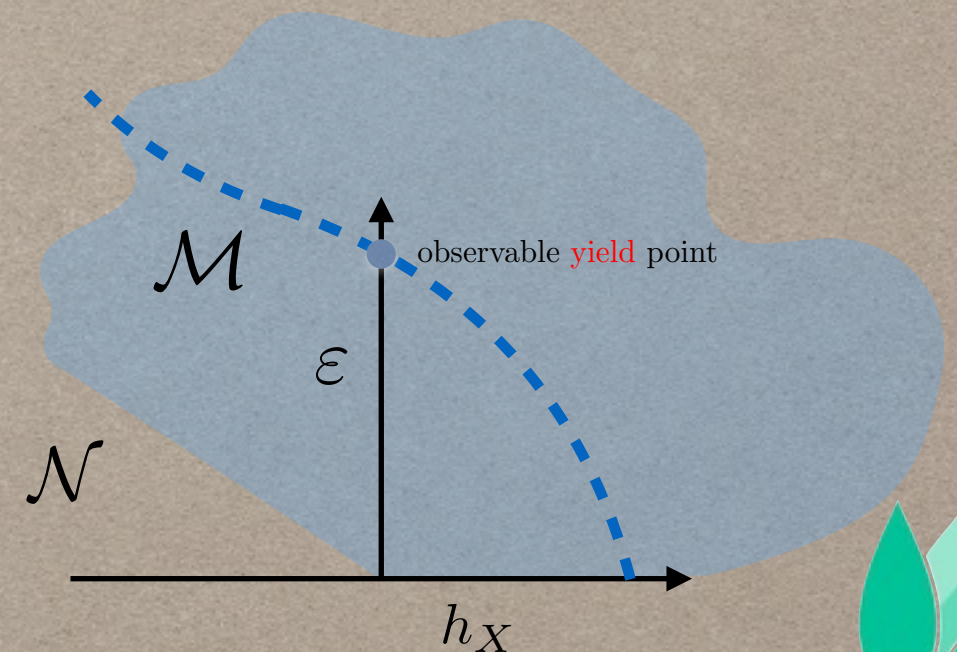
PHASE DIAGRAM FOR N=32X32



finite size effect: cannot have less than one slip band !

THE CONNECTION TO YIELDING:

a *mean field* transition at finite strain rate



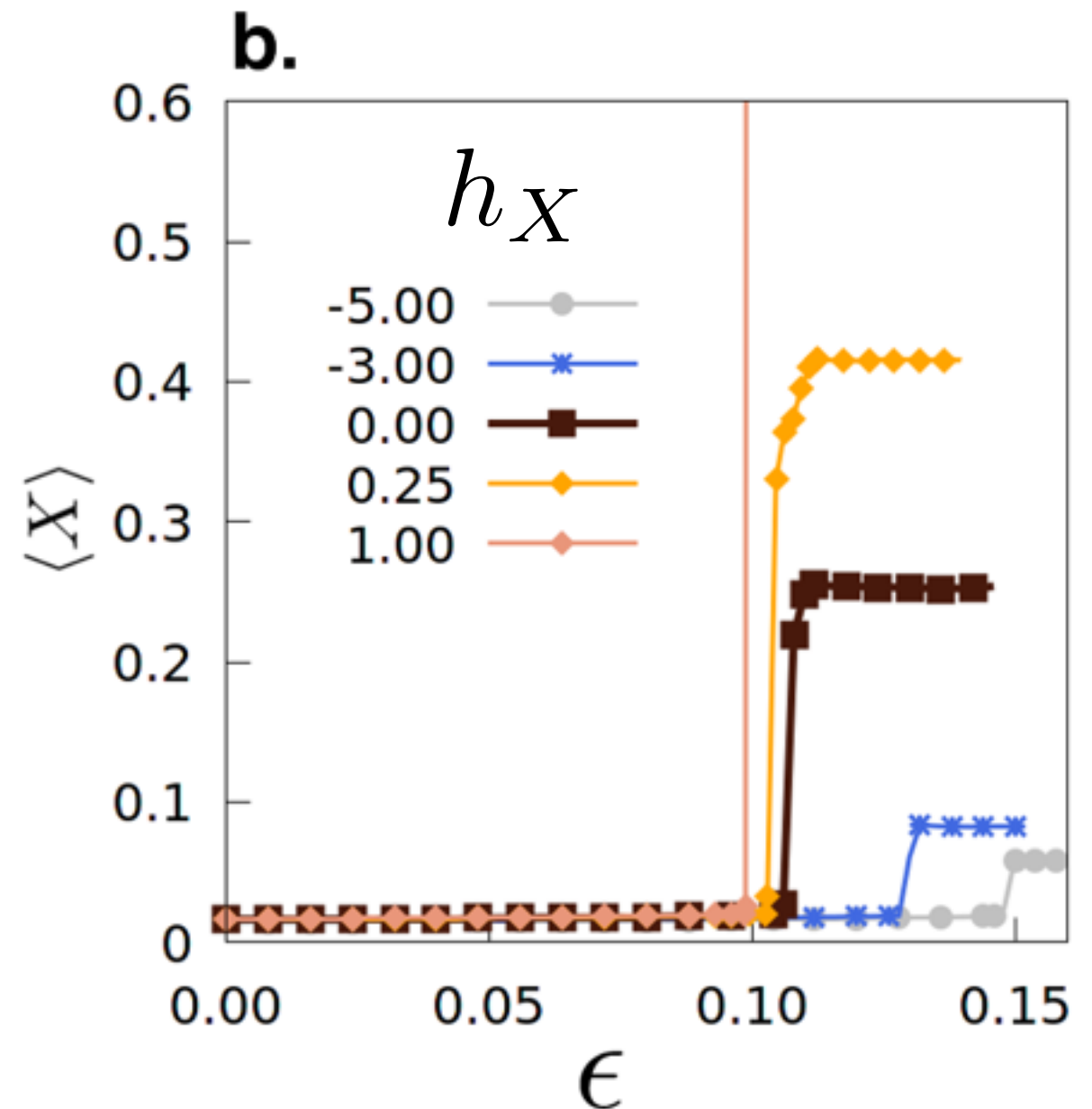
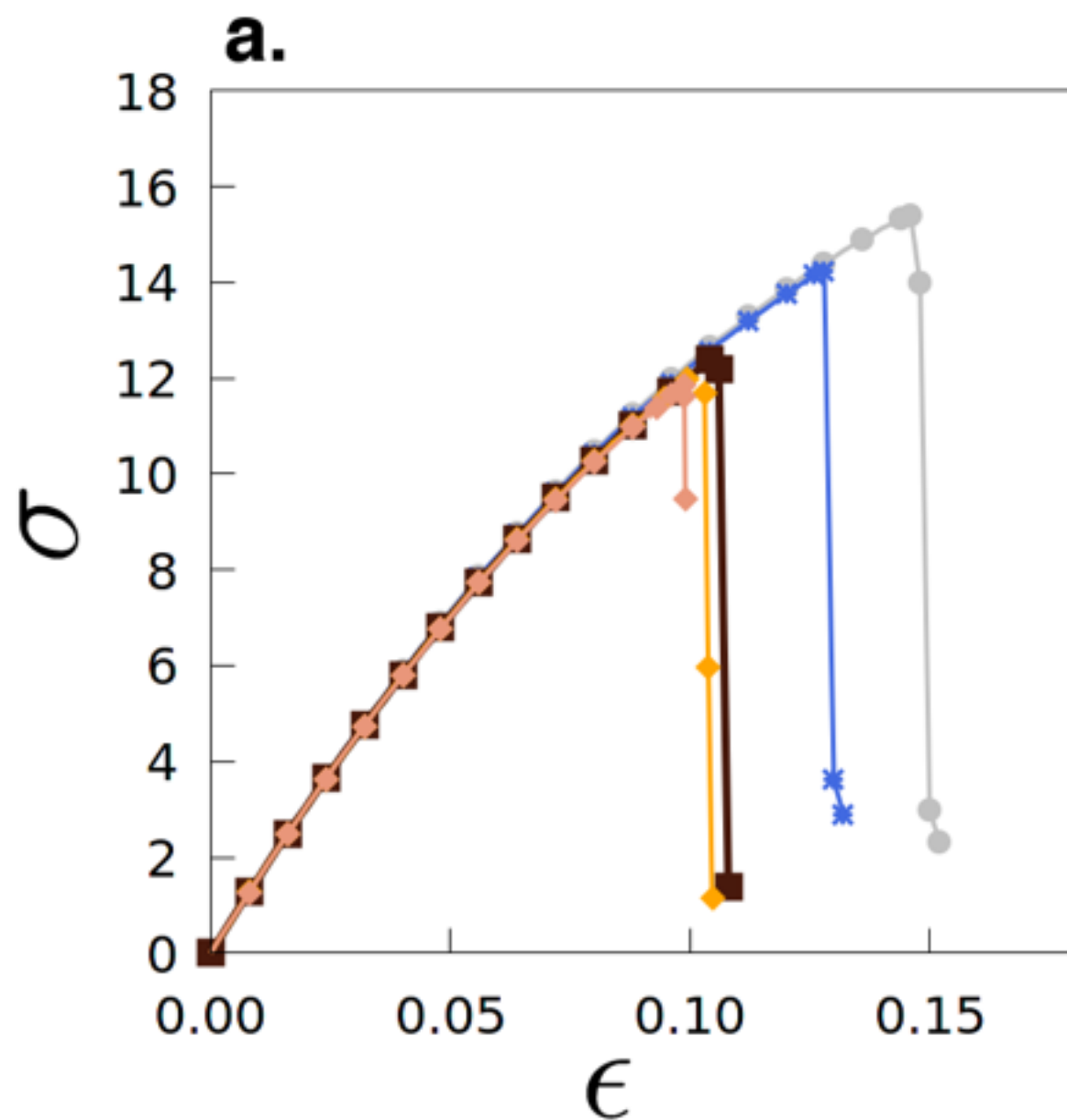
IF OUR SCENARIO IS CORRECT...

- a single value of $X = X_S$ should determine yielding for any h_X and ε .
- when X reaches X_S the barrier is small enough so that thermal fluctuations are able to overcome this *within the timescale of the experiment*.
- at $T = 0$ this is the spinodal point (**w.r.t non-affinity**).
- since $X \propto h_X$ and $X \propto \varepsilon^2$, the stability line is a parabola for small h_X .

MD SIMULATIONS OF LJ SOLID

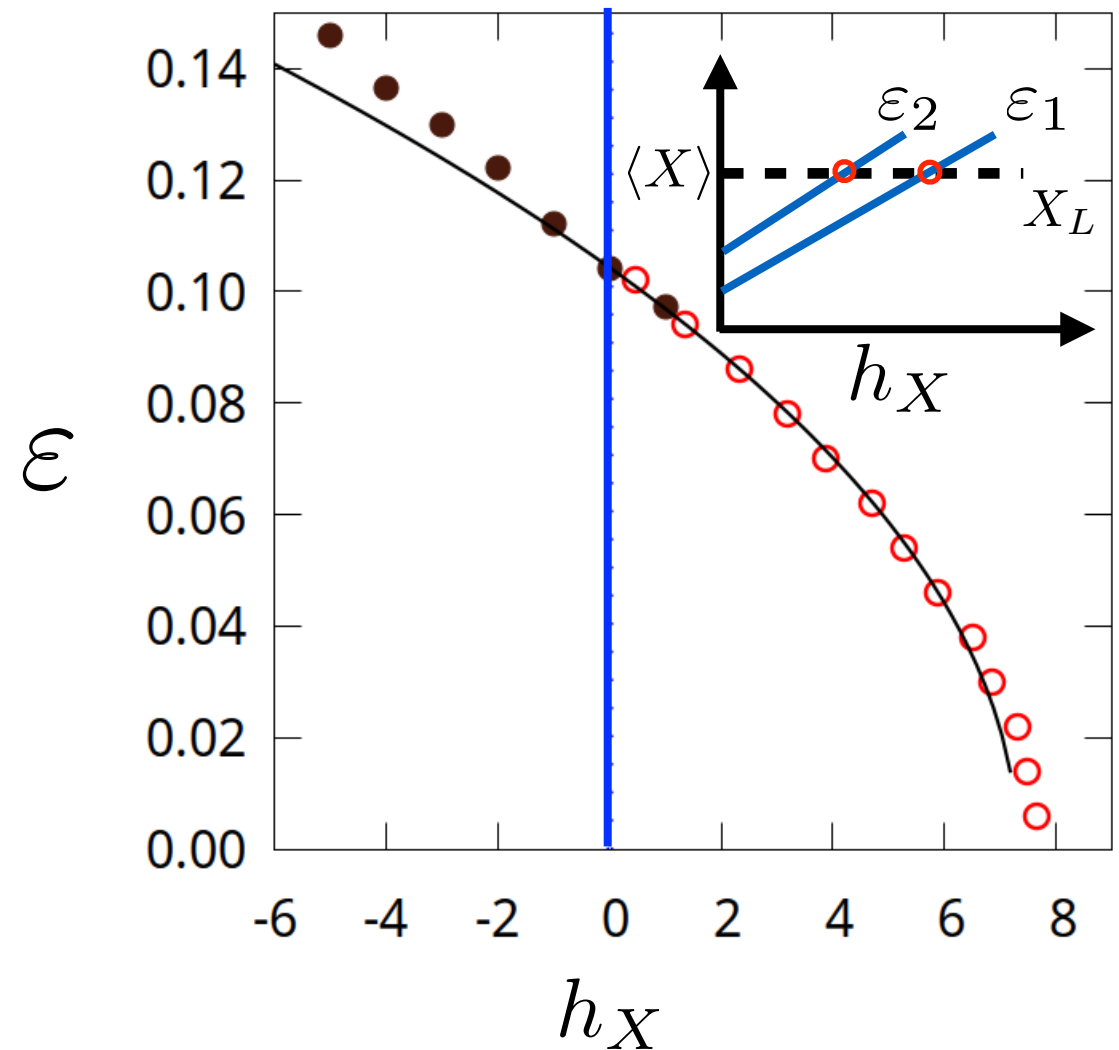
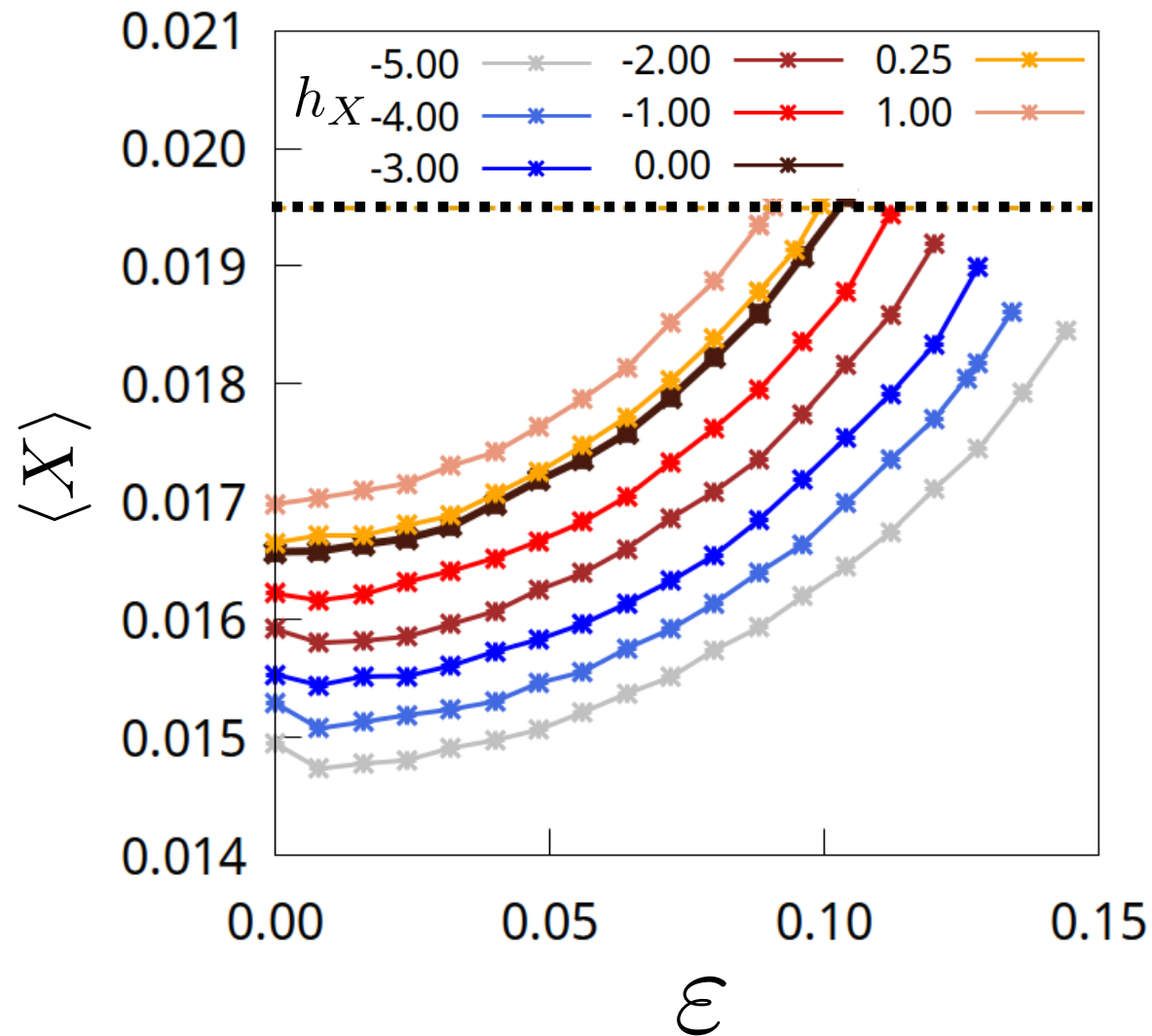
- $N = 128 \times 128 = 16384$ particles
- $a = 1.0, T^* = 1.0$
- MD time step $\delta t = 0.001, = .0001$ near yielding.
- Berendsen thermostat
- equilibration for $t = 1500$
- strain rate $\dot{\epsilon} = 3.33 \times 10^{-5}$ till yielding
- results averaged over 4 independent runs.
- fast GPU based in-house parallel code - checked against LAMMPS wherever possible.

$$\rho^* = 2/\sqrt{3}, T^* = 1.0$$

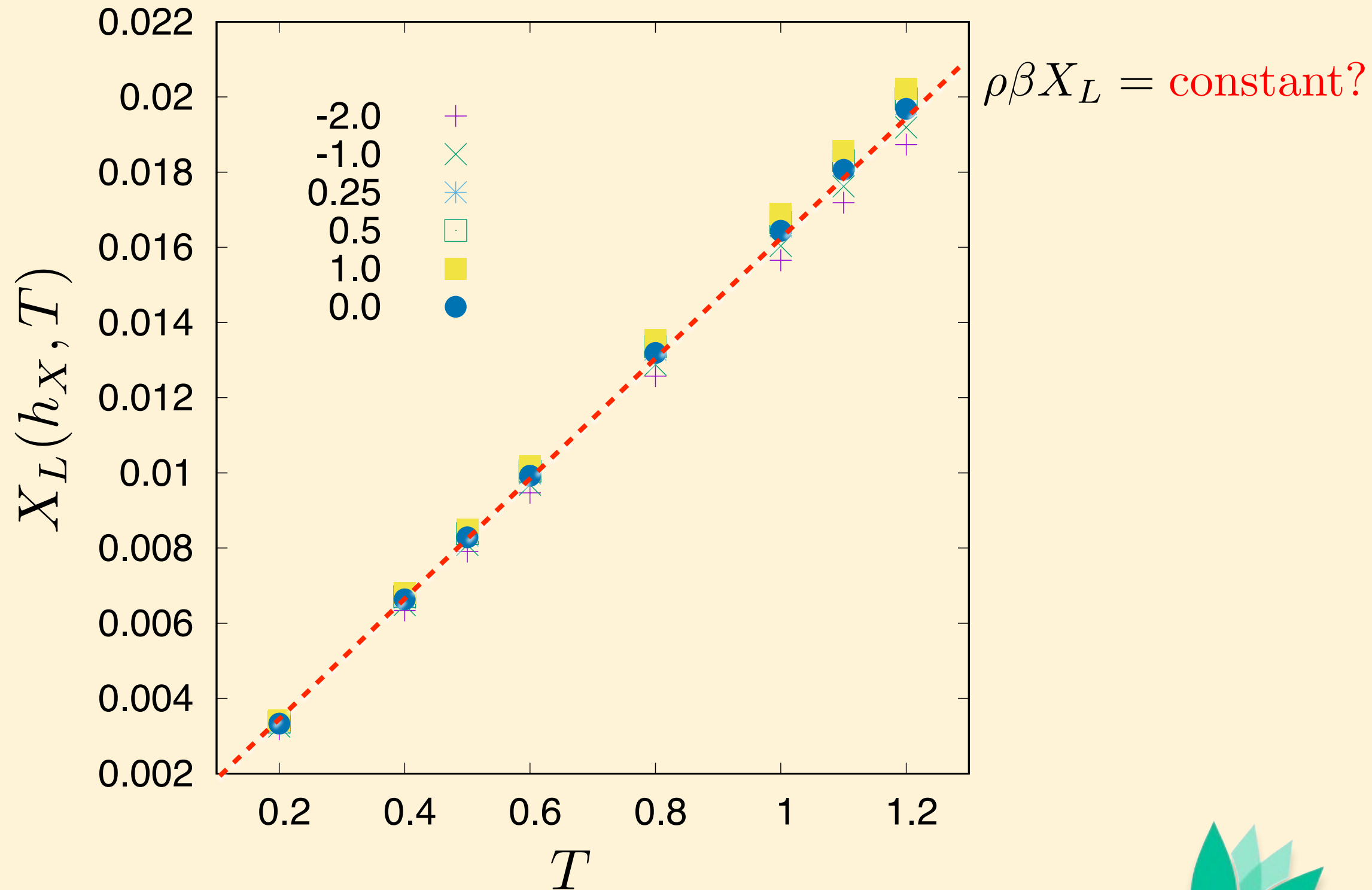


Note: Elastic properties are unchanged

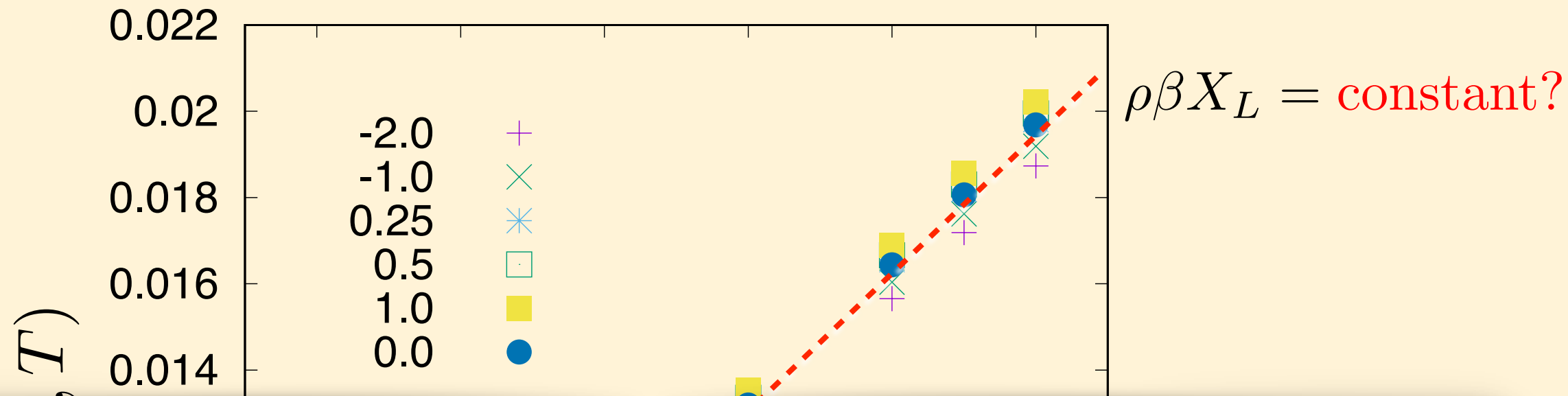
- \mathcal{N} phase becomes *unstable* when barrier $\rightarrow 0$ or $\ll k_B T$.
- implies $\langle X \rangle \rightarrow X_S$ - a limiting value ($\neq X_L$).
- since X is *positive definite* instability must lie in the $h_X > 0$ quadrant at $\varepsilon = 0$.
- can calculate $\langle X(h_X, \varepsilon) \rangle$ from L.R.T. at $h_X = 0$. Only inputs are χ correlations at $h_X = 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$.
- stability limit from LRT (open symbols) $\langle X \rangle = X_S \approx 0.019$ compared with yield points from MD (filled symbols).



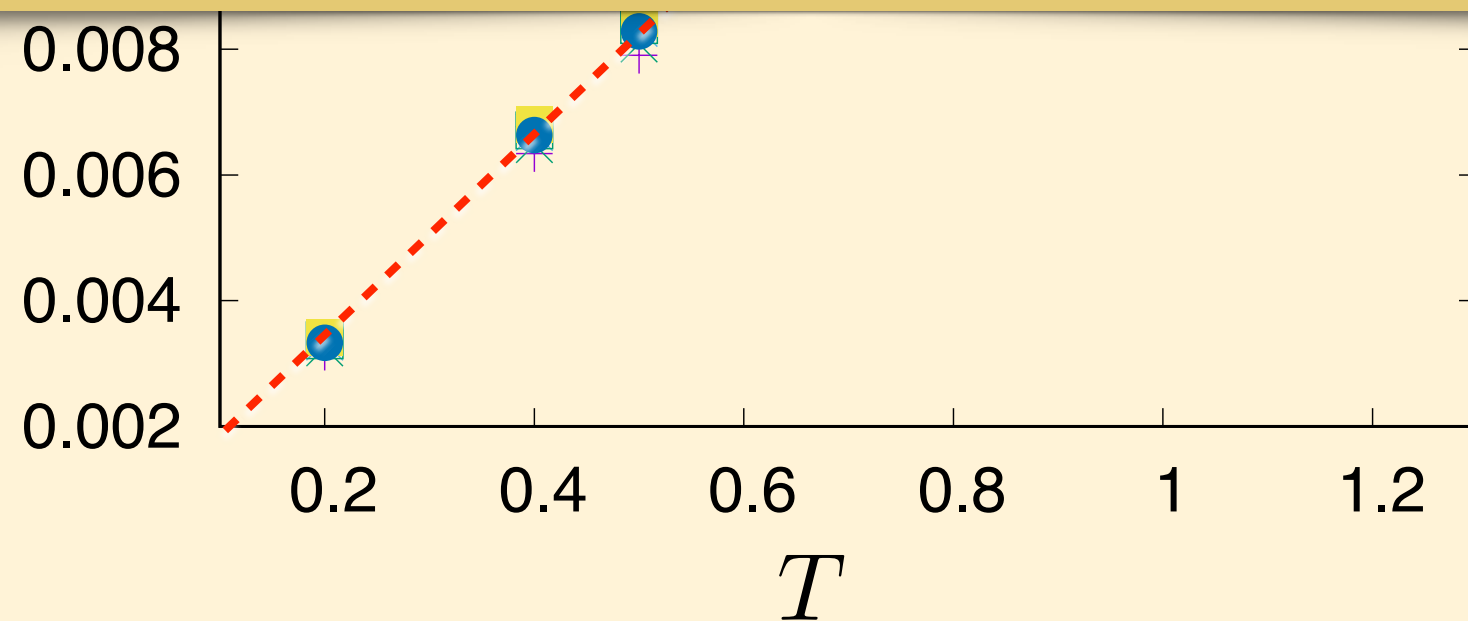
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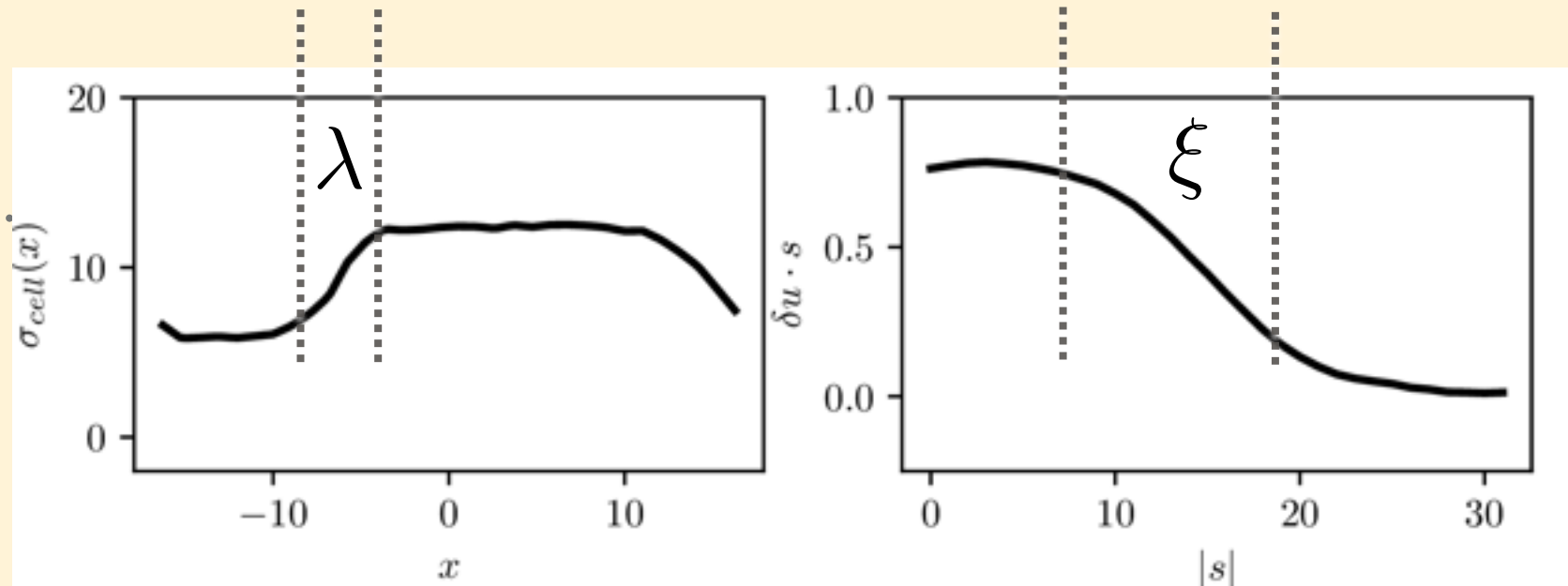
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Single number may be used to predict the yield point for 2d-LJ solids at any temperature at fixed strain rate.

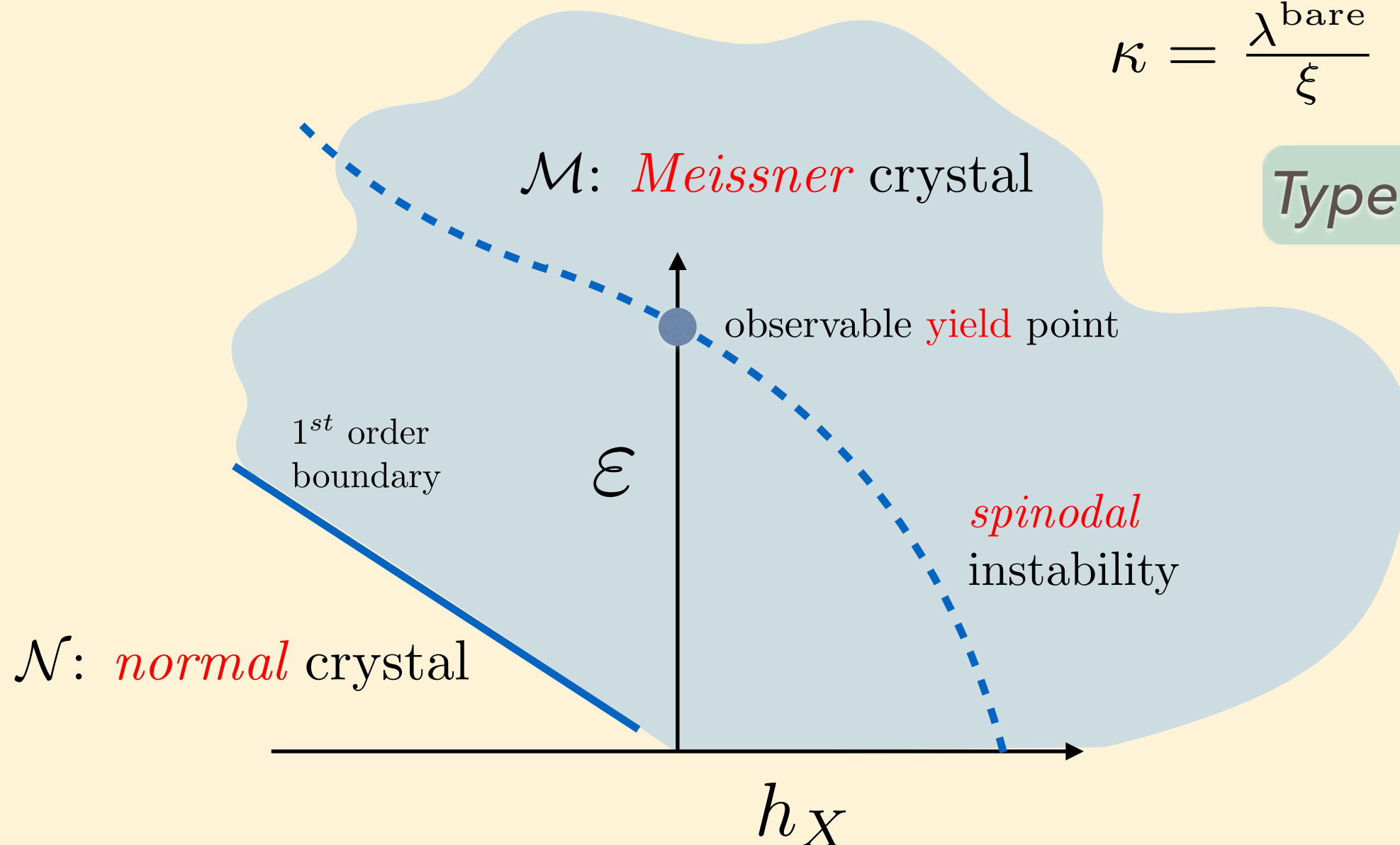


SCHEMATIC SUMMARY



$$\kappa = \frac{\lambda^{\text{bare}}}{\xi} \lesssim 0.3 < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Type I ??



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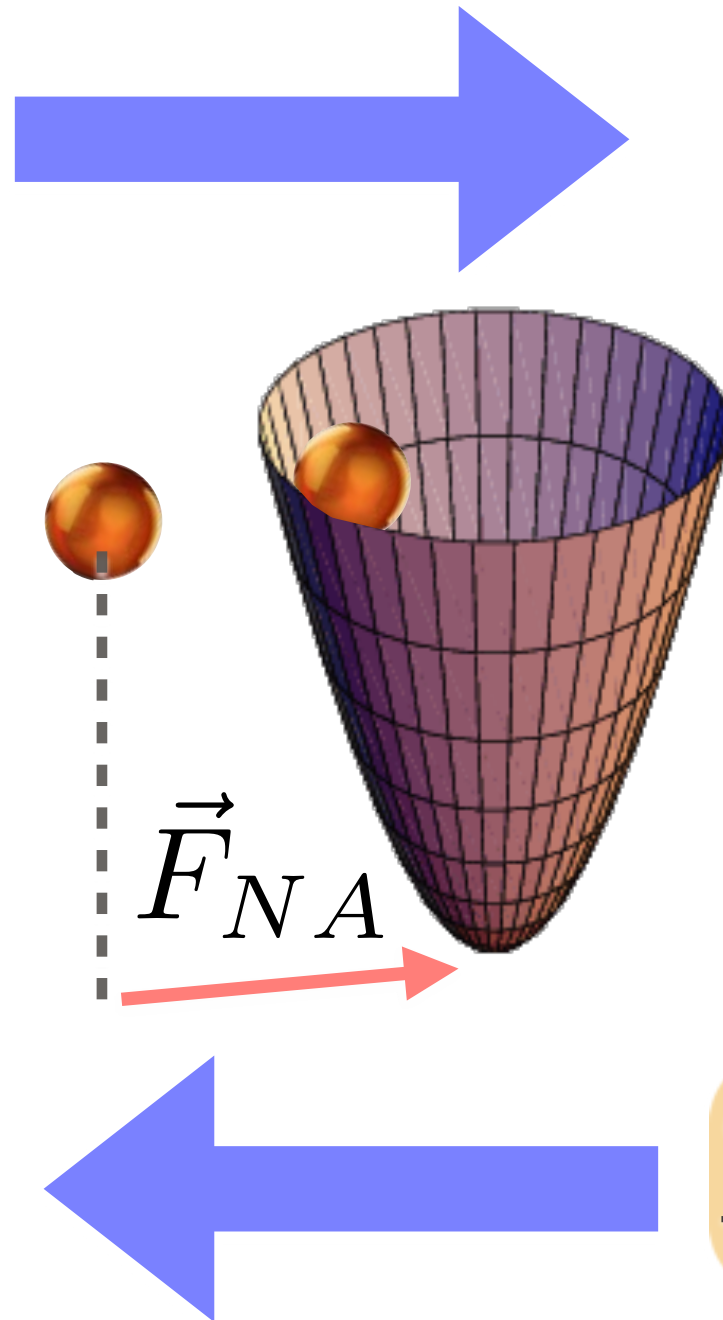
CREATE h_x USING A "FEEDBACK LOOP"

get particle coordinates using video microscopy

calculate forces using positions of neighbors

repeat at frequency larger than typical inverse colloid diffusion times

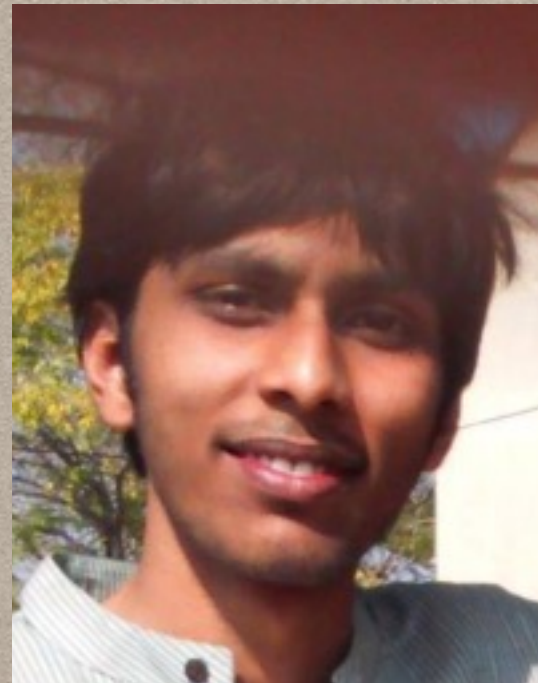
construct displaced traps to apply calculated forces



EXPLICIT “TAKE AWAYS”

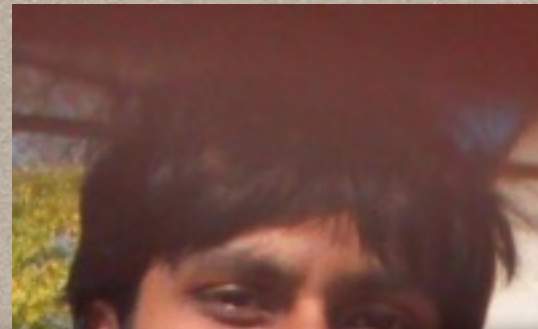
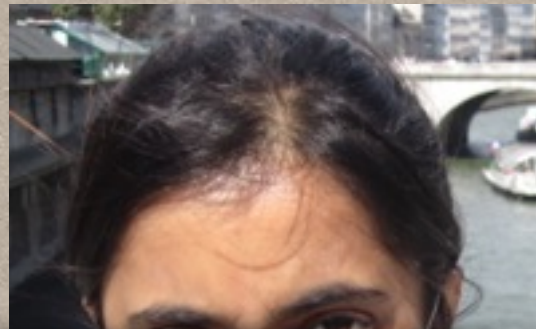
- A *free energy landscape view* for plasticity of solids.
- Recover Sausset, Biroli, Kurchan - *except* surface free energies should be obtained *at coexistence!*
- Contact with finite size, mean field, finite strain rate yielding studies - yielding as an approach to a mean field *spinodal* like instability. Quantitative *prediction* of the yield point.
- Conventional yield point can be understood *without* explicit reference to *dislocation motion*.
- Can serve as a language for yielding in solids where dislocations cannot be defined (*glasses?*).
- “Technological” *by-product* (!) - means to *control* yielding *without* changing elastic properties in colloidal crystals using dynamic laser traps.

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