

Local fluctuations in the shear modulus of granular beds

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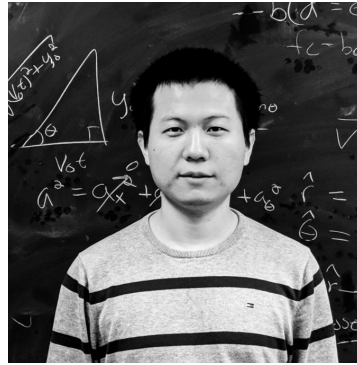
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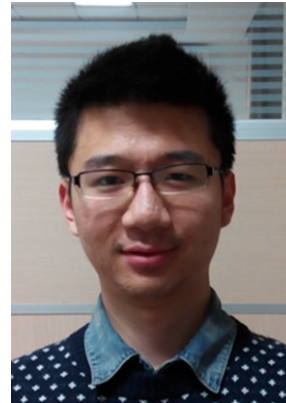
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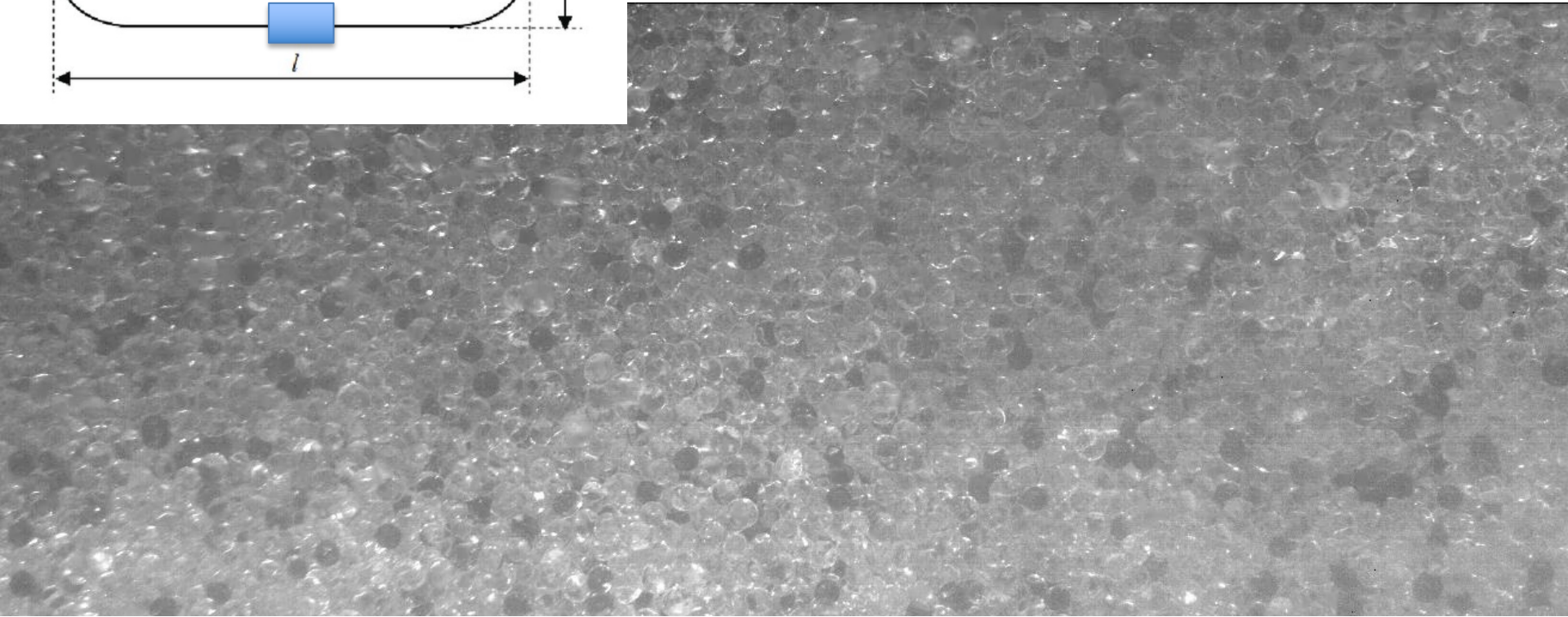
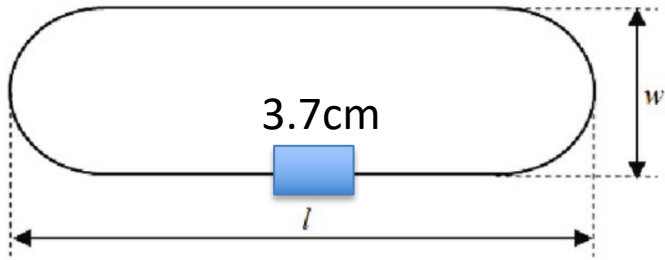


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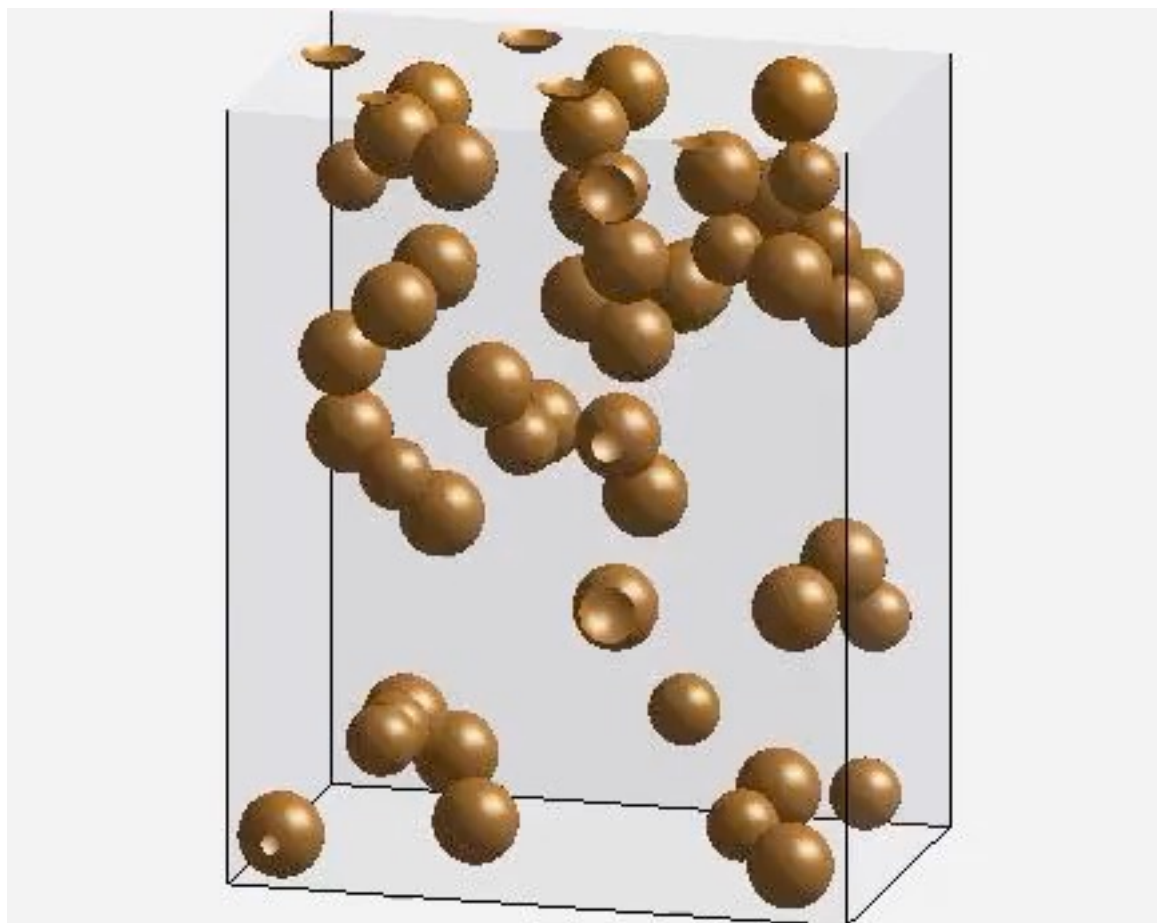
Hydrodynamically sheared granular beds



0.6 mm



Glass beads

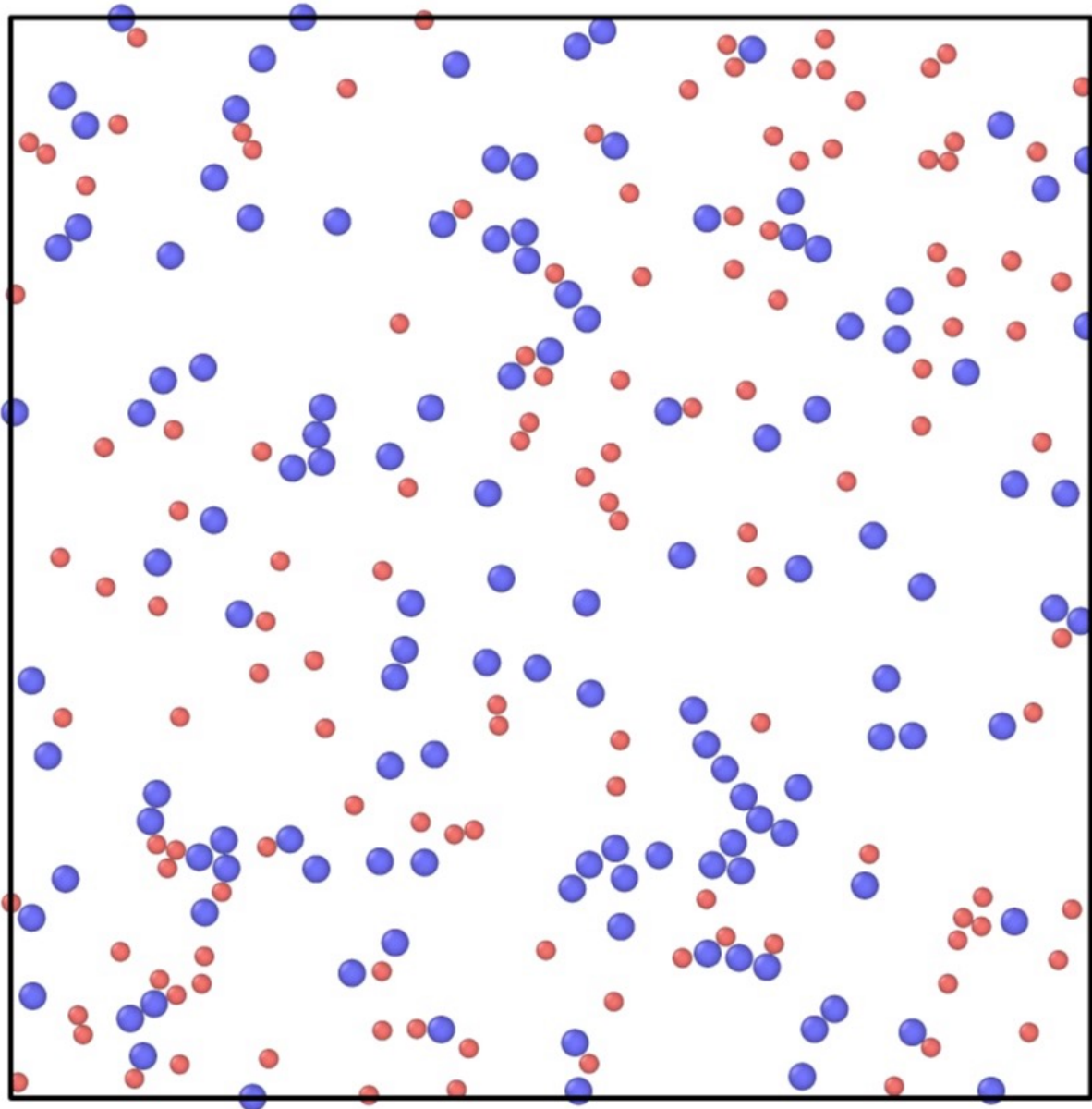


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- Two dimensions
- No static friction
- No gravity
- Spherical particles
- No fluid
- Quasistatic

Onset of jamming



$$N_c = N_{iso} = 2N' - 1$$

$$B > 0$$

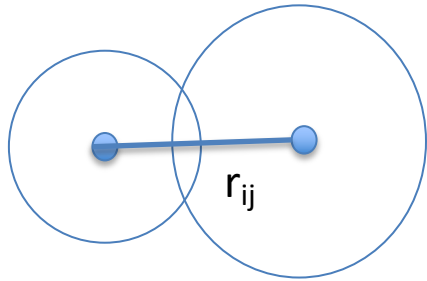
$$G > 0$$

$N/2$ small disks

$N/2$ large disks

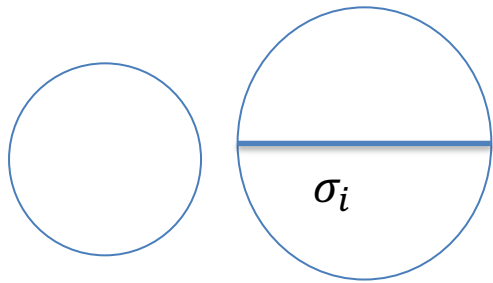
Diameter ratio=1.4

Purely Repulsive, Frictionless Soft Particle (SP) Model



$$U(r_{ij}) = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \left(1 - \frac{r_{ij}}{\sigma_{ij}} \right)^{\alpha=2}$$

$$r_{ij} < \sigma_{ij}$$



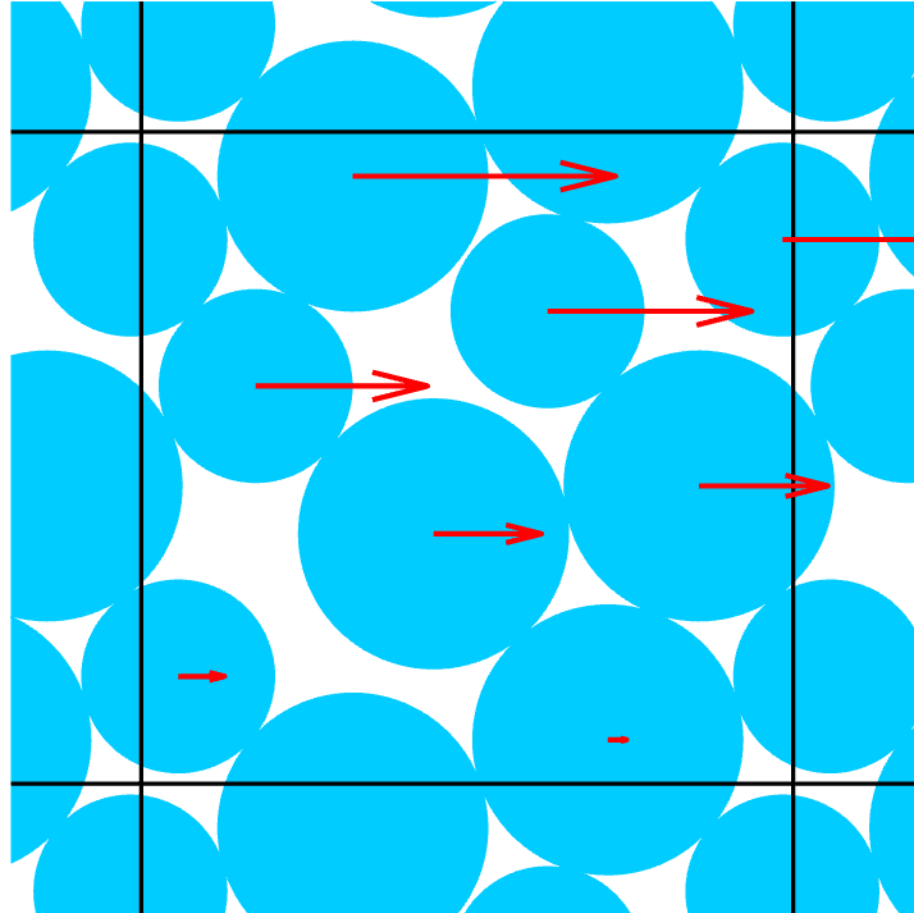
$$= 0$$

$$r_{ij} \geq \sigma_{ij}$$

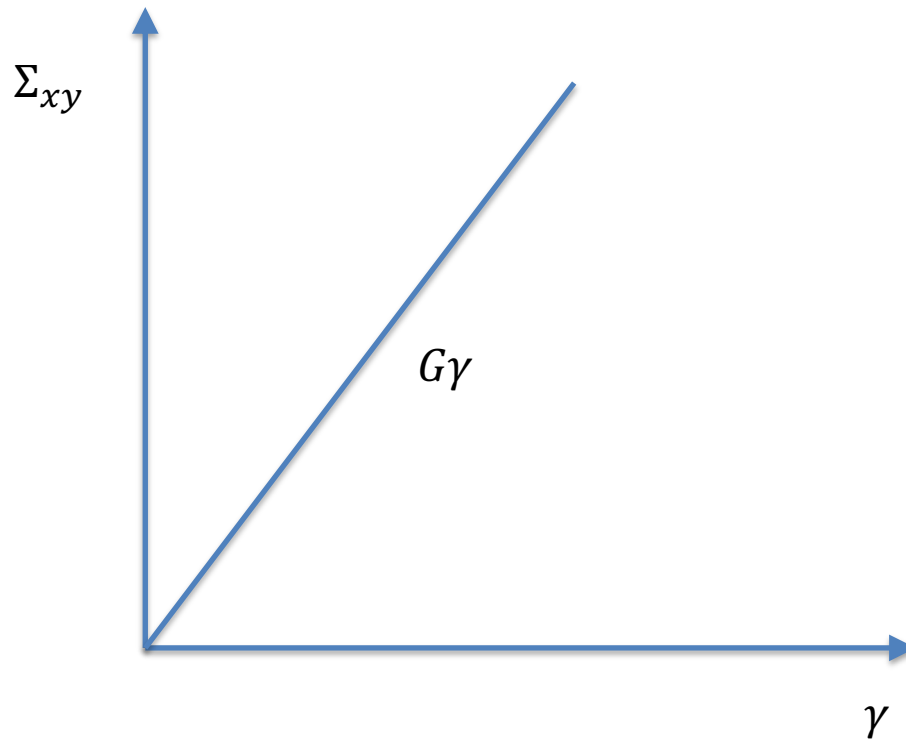
$$\sigma_{ij} = \frac{\sigma_i + \sigma_j}{2}$$

$$\phi = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \pi R_i^2}{A_{box}} \quad \text{Packing fraction}$$

At each value of pressure, measure shear modulus G



Static Shear Modulus



$$\Sigma_{\alpha\beta} = L^{-2} \sum_{i>j} r_{ij\alpha} f_{ij\beta}$$

$$P = \frac{(\Sigma_{xx} + \Sigma_{yy})}{2}$$

$$G = \frac{d\Sigma_{xy}}{d\gamma}$$

Simple shear strain

$$x'_i = x_i + \gamma y_i$$

$$y'_i = y_i$$

What does the strength of the granular depend on?

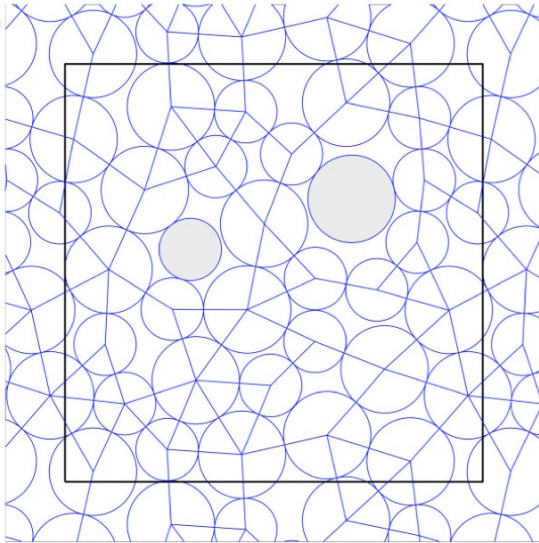
- ~~Particle modulus~~
- Number of contacts
- Contact and force networks
- Frequency of particle rearrangements
- Pressure

Point changes in the contact network

$$\Delta U = 0$$
$$|\Delta G| > 0$$

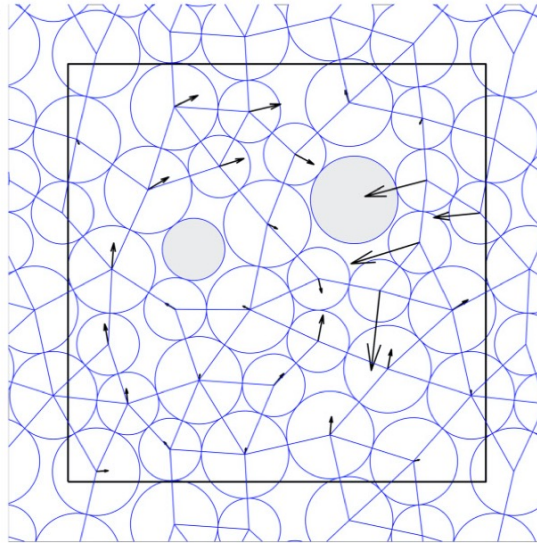
$$N_c = N_{iso} = 2N' - 1 = 59$$

(a)



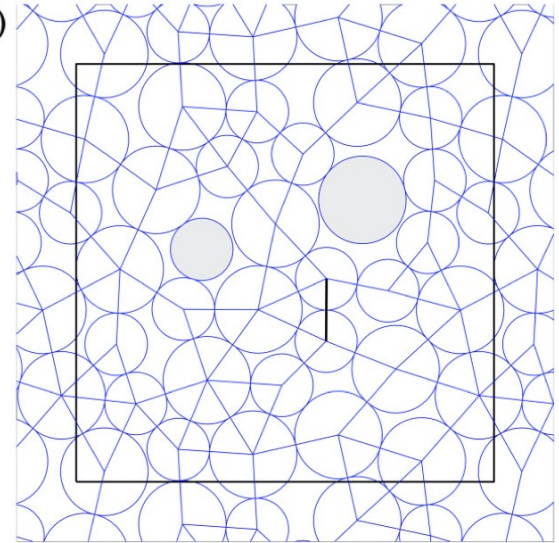
$$P = 10^{-7}$$

(b)



$$P = 4.6 \times 10^{-6}$$

(c)



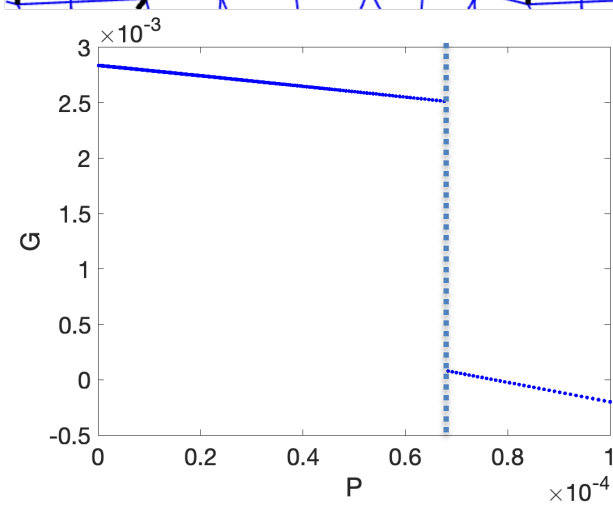
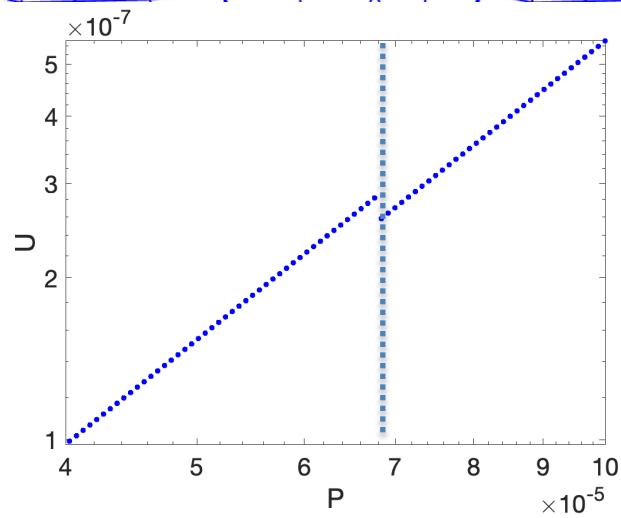
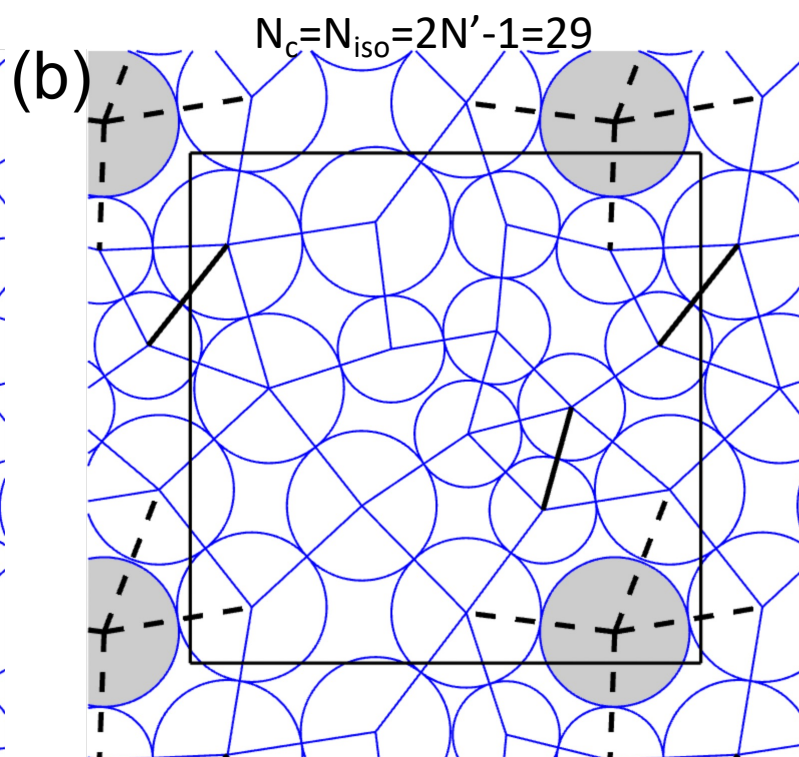
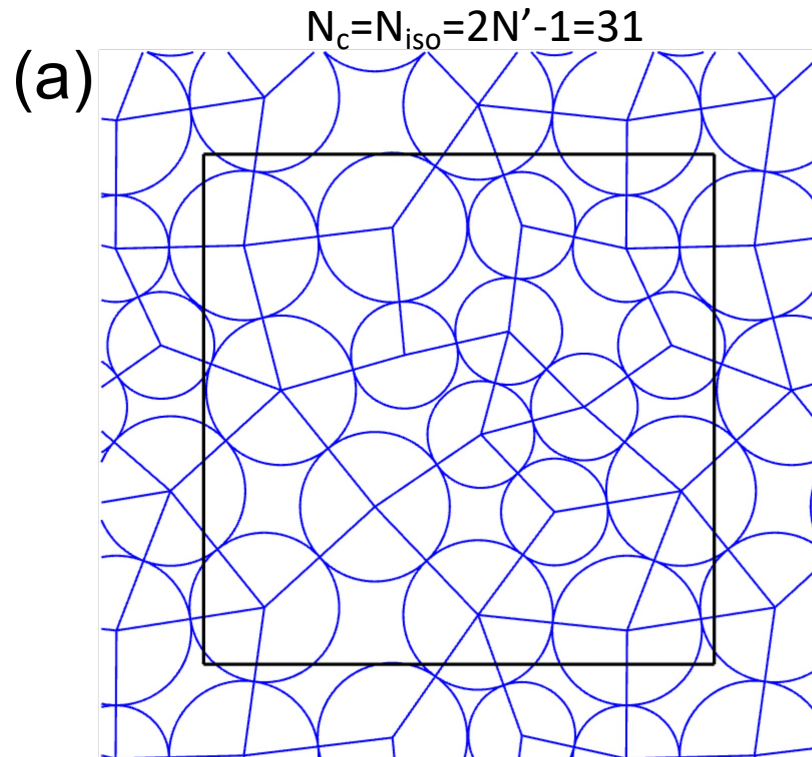
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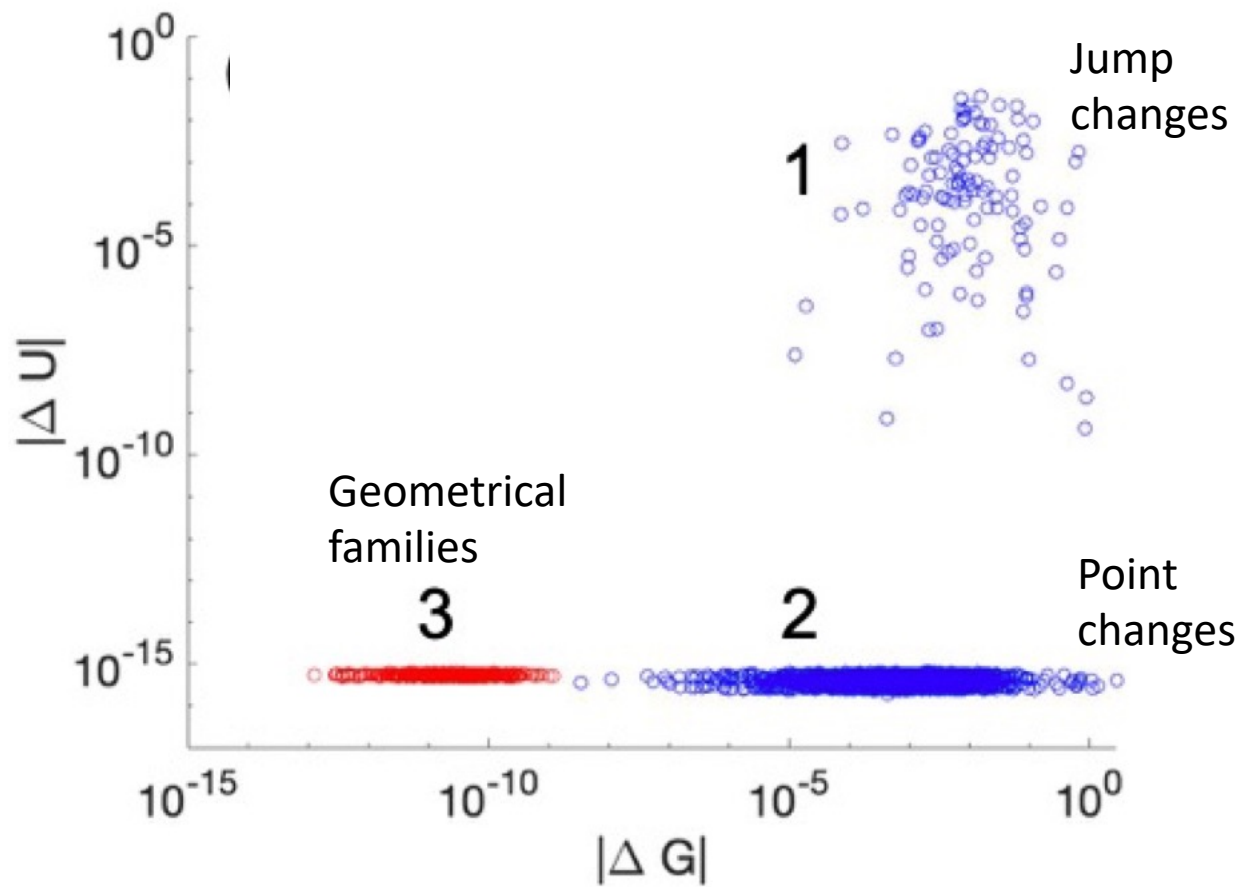
$$N_c = N_{iso} + 1$$

Jump changes in the contact network

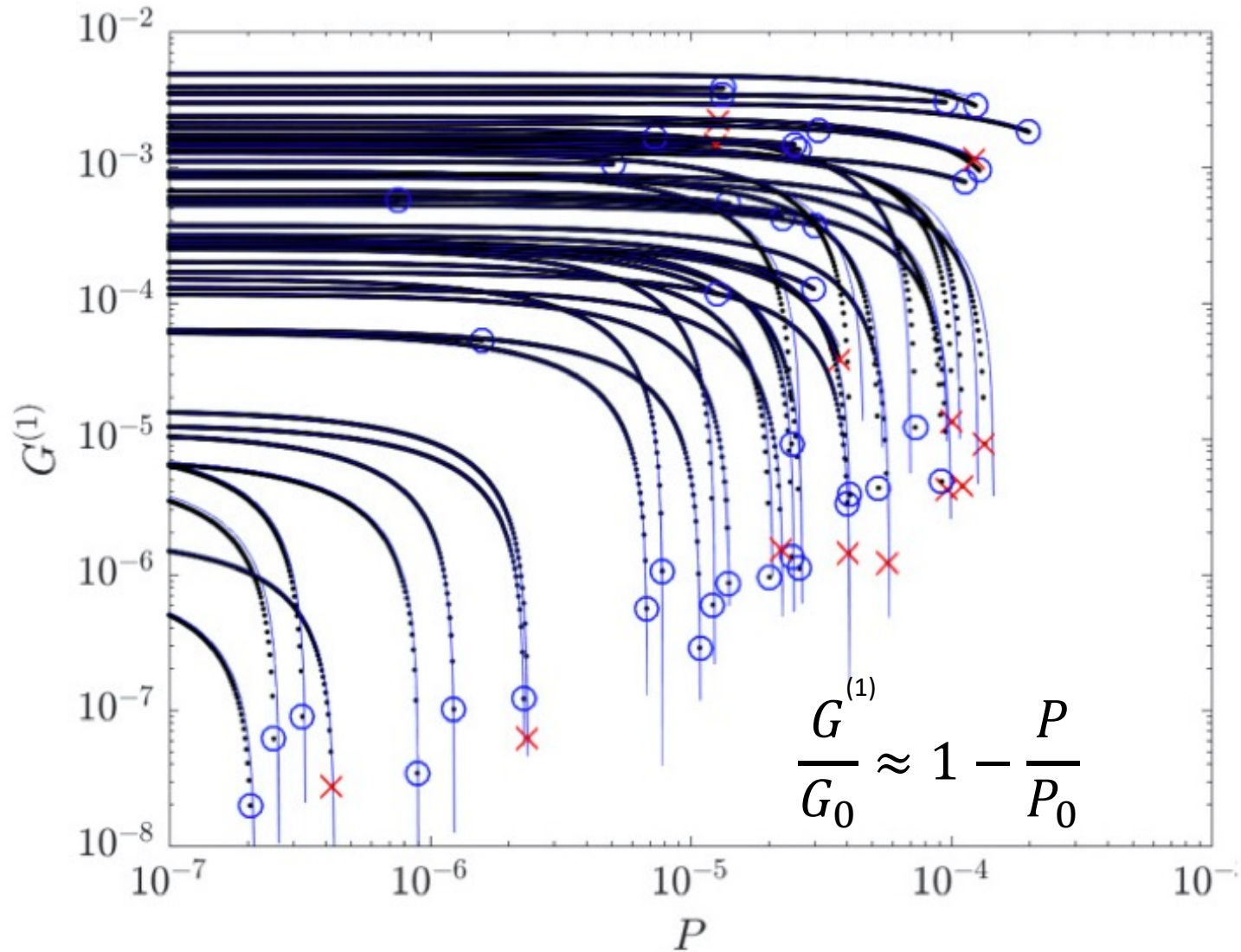
$$|\Delta U| > 0$$

$$|\Delta G| > 0$$





Shear modulus decreases with increasing P for fixed contact networks



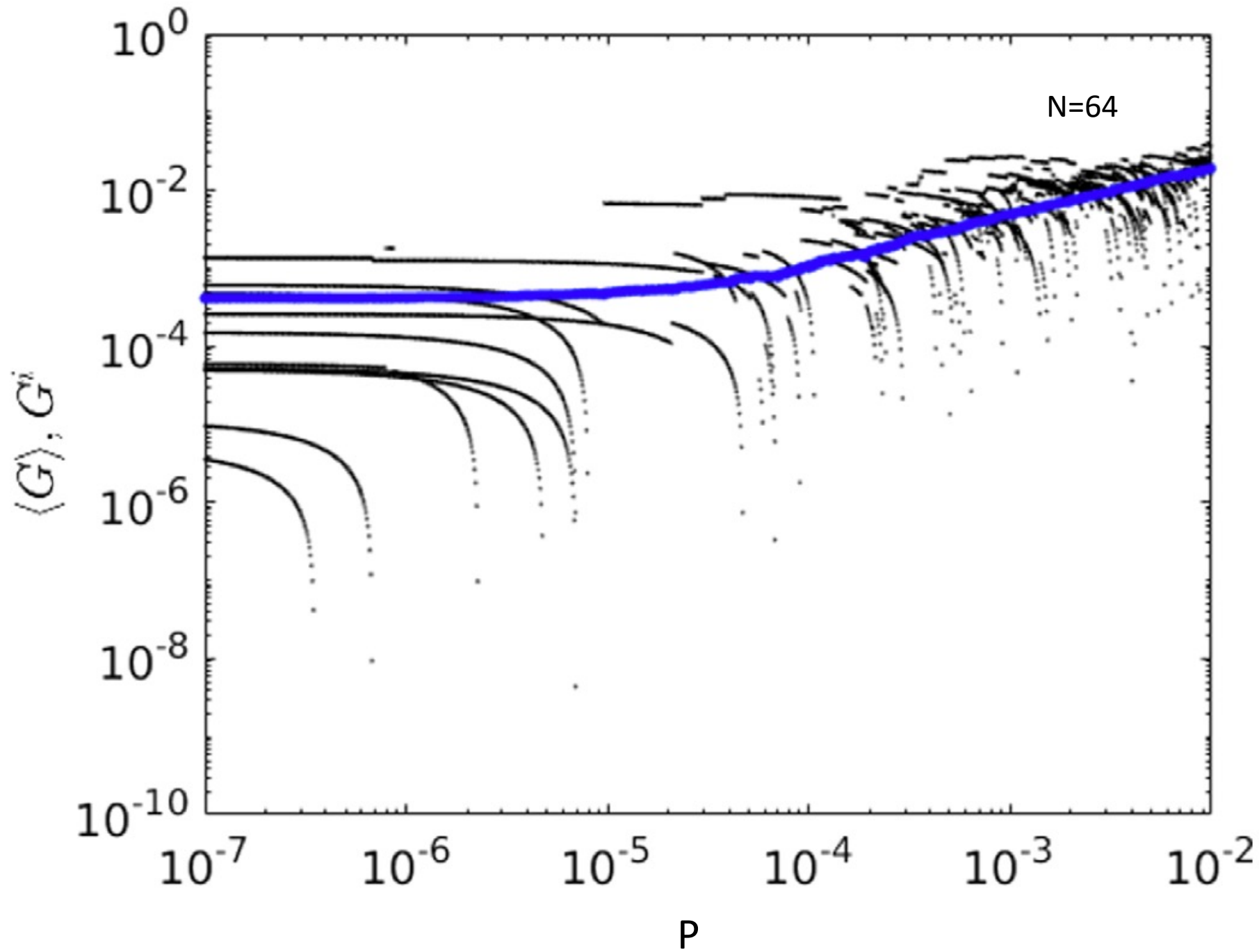
Definition of Shear Modulus

$$\Sigma_{xy} = \frac{1}{L^2} \left(\frac{dU}{d\gamma} \right)_P - \frac{P}{\phi} \left(\frac{d\phi}{d\gamma} \right)_P.$$

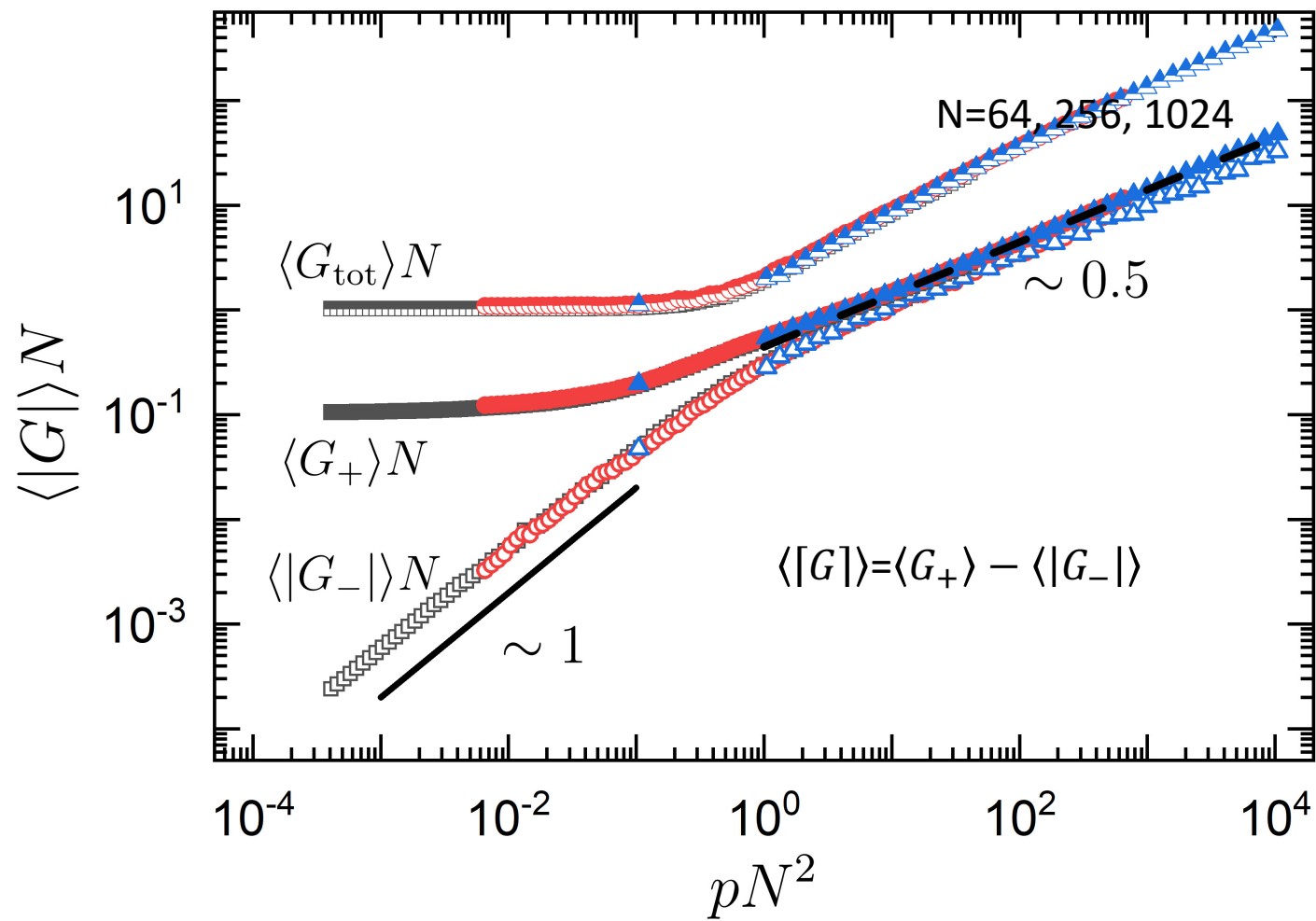
$$G = \left(\frac{d\Sigma_{xy}}{d\gamma} \right)_\phi = \frac{1}{L^2} \left(\frac{d \left(\frac{dU}{d\gamma} \right)_P}{d\gamma} \right)_\phi - \frac{P}{\phi} \left(\frac{d \left(\frac{d\phi}{d\gamma} \right)_P}{d\gamma} \right)_\phi - \frac{1}{\phi} \left(\frac{dP}{d\gamma} \right)_\phi \left(\frac{d\phi}{d\gamma} \right)_P$$

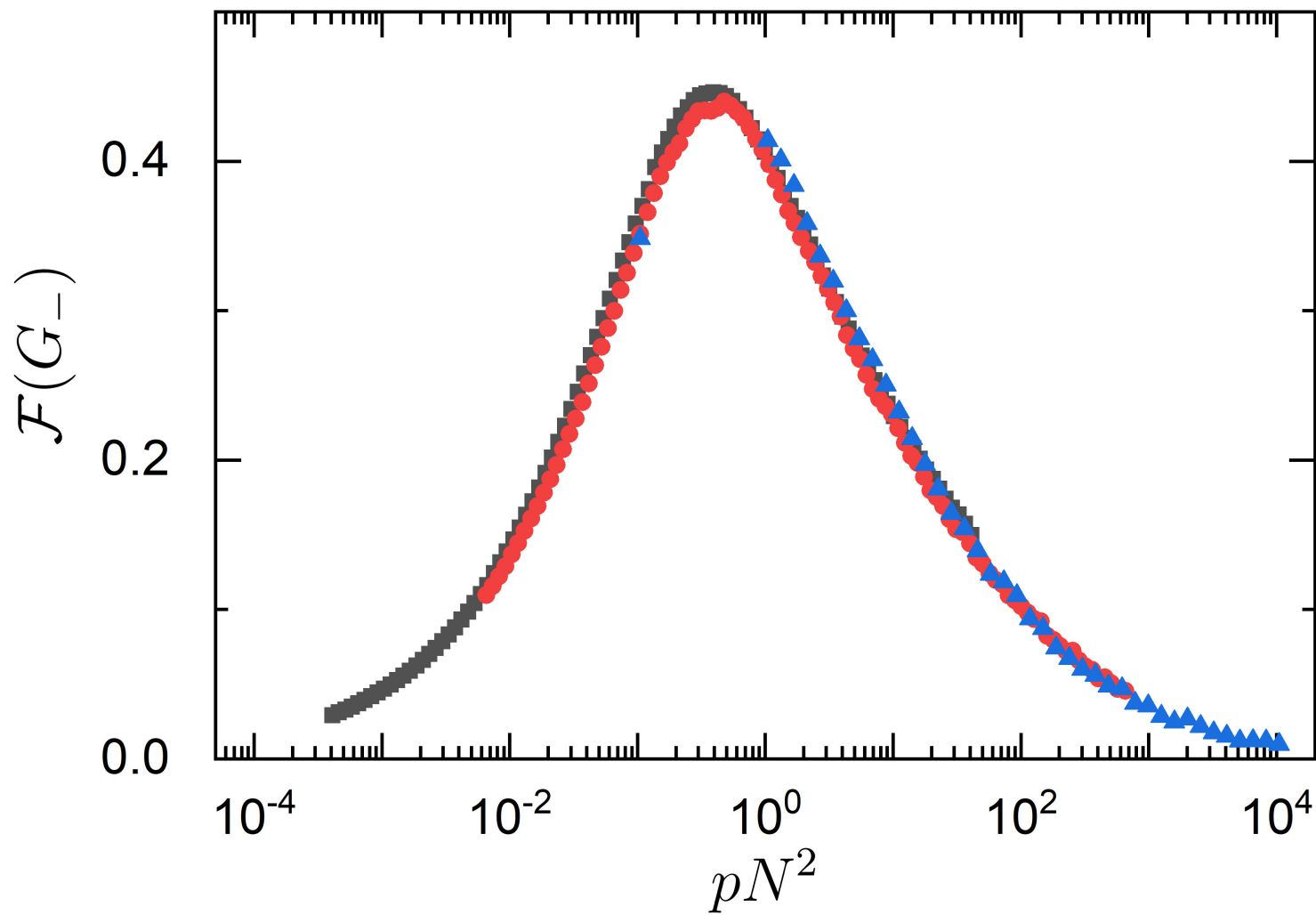
$$G \approx G_0 - AP \quad A = \phi^{-1} \left(\frac{d \left(\frac{d\phi}{d\gamma} \right)_P}{d\gamma} \right)_\phi$$

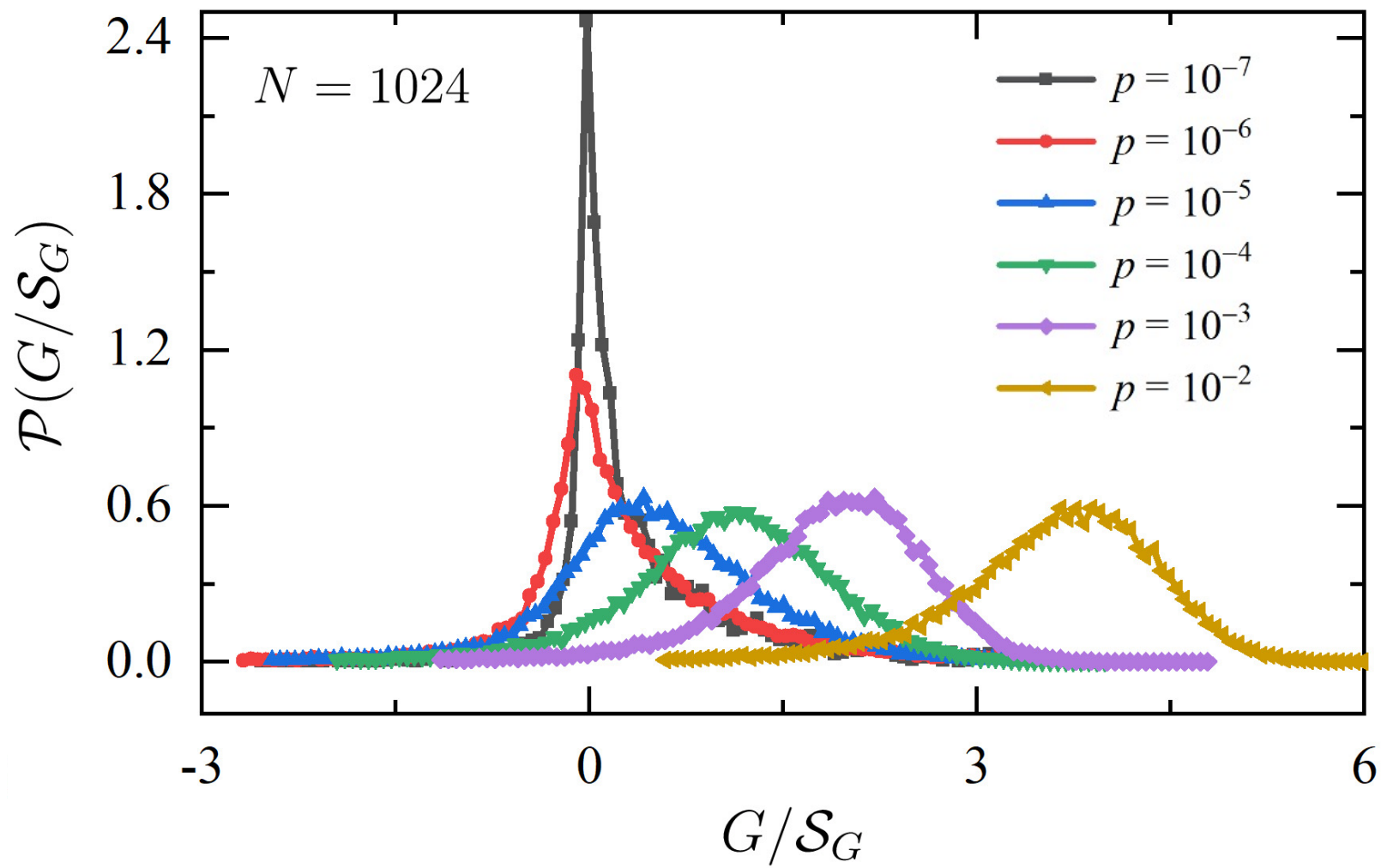
- First term in G is negligible over full range of pressure
- Third term in G tends to a constant $G_0 > 0$ in the $P \rightarrow 0$ limit
- $A > 0$ and thus shear modulus of geometrical families decreases with increasing pressure



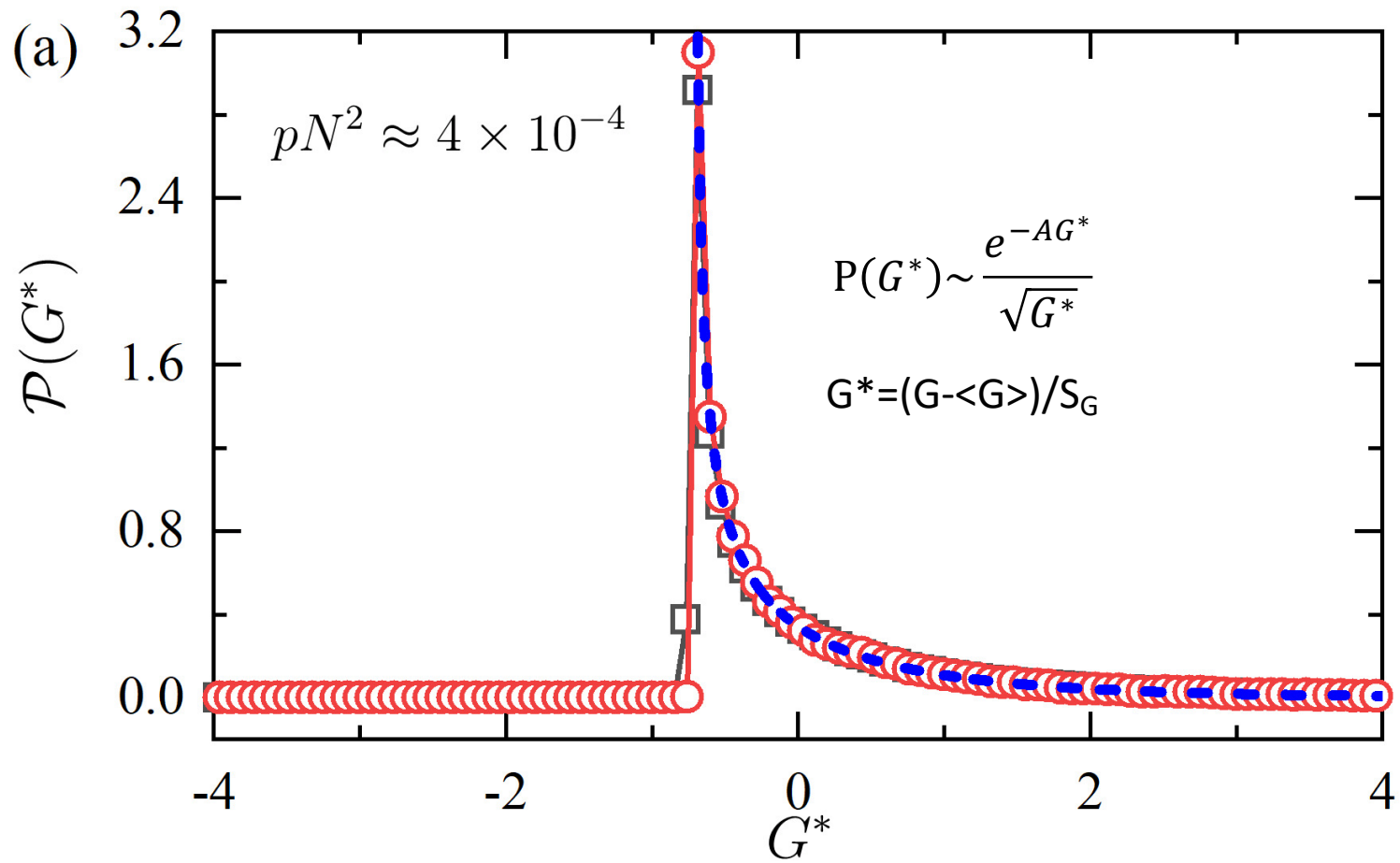
Ensemble-averaged shear modulus



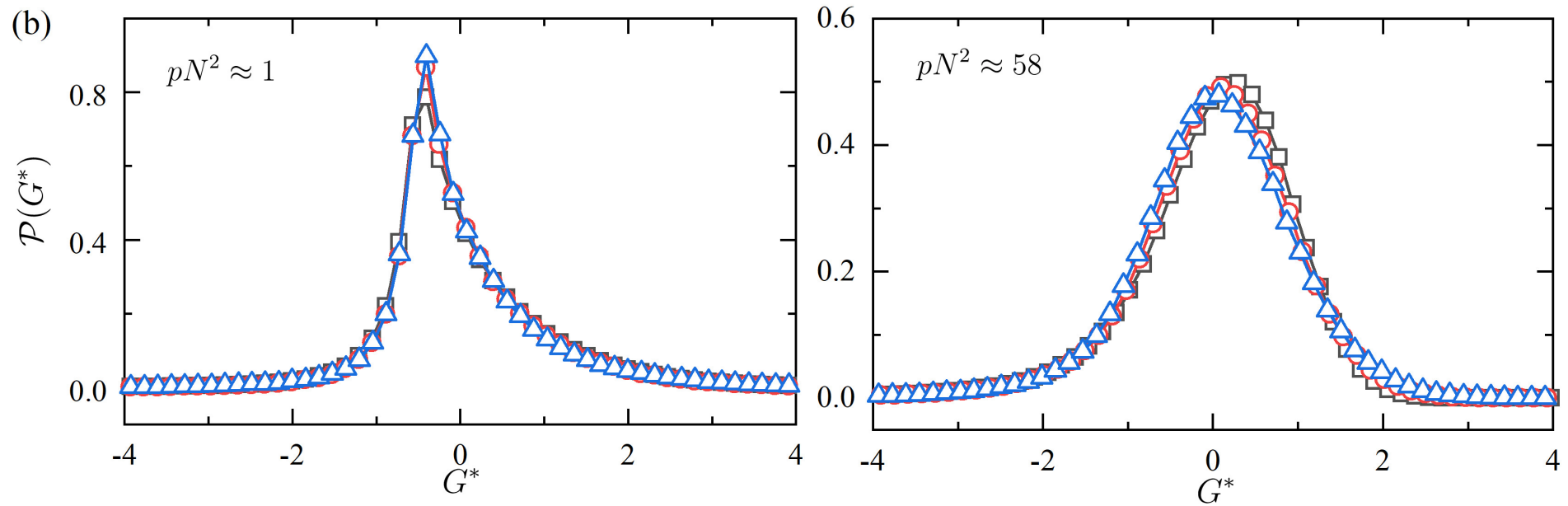




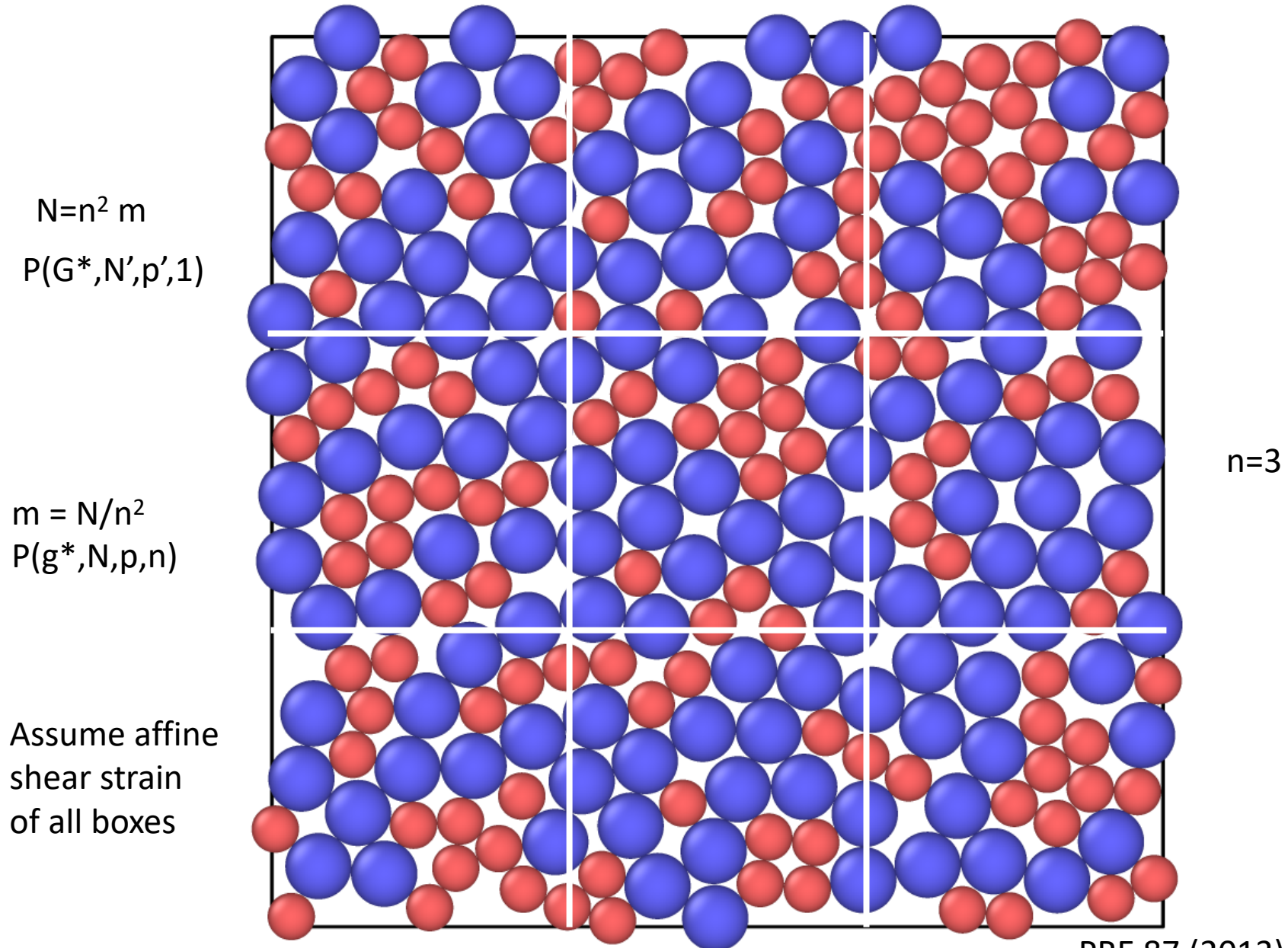
Fixing pN^2 collapses $P(G^*)$

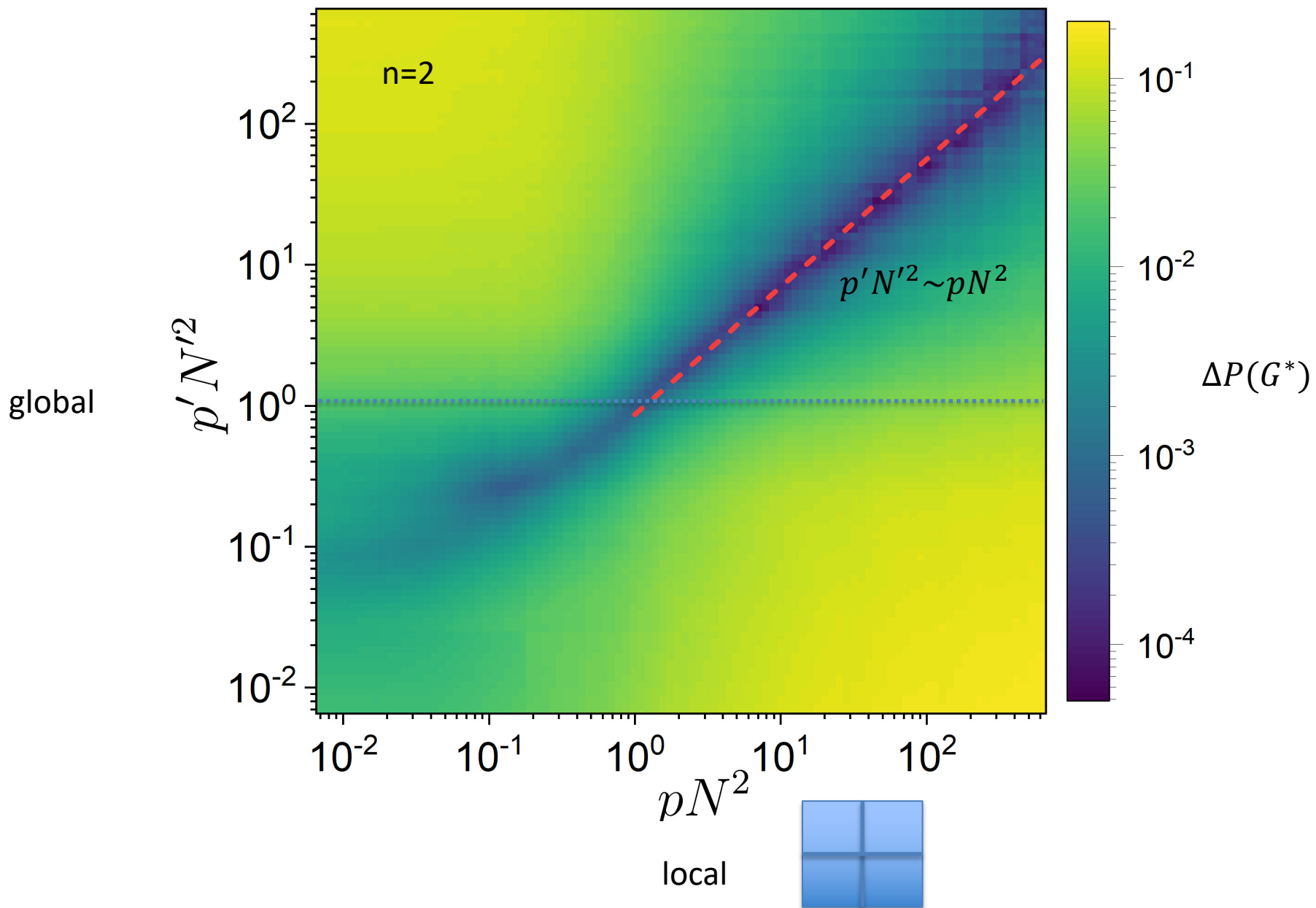


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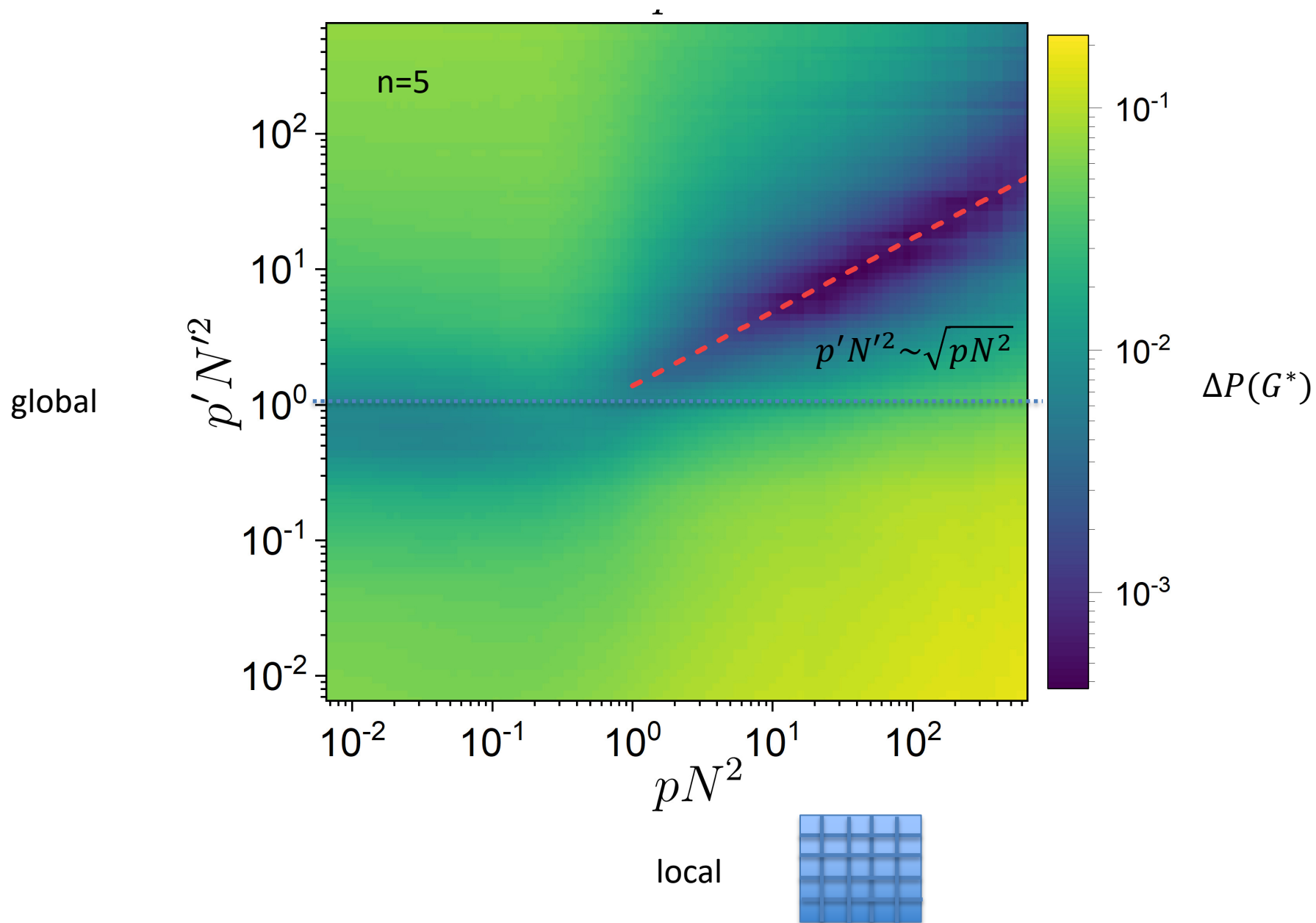


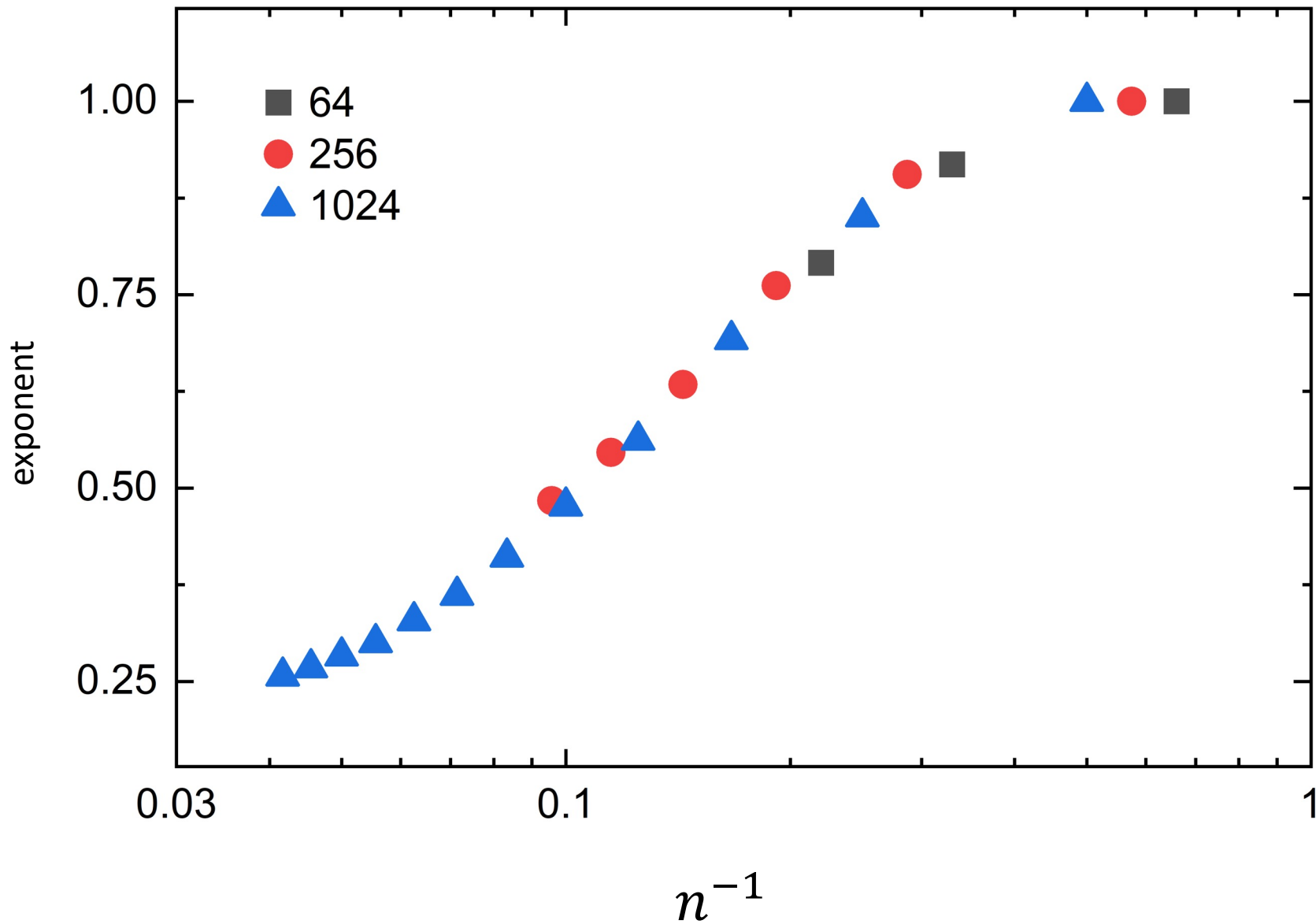
Can we determine properties of large system by considering it as a collection of small systems?

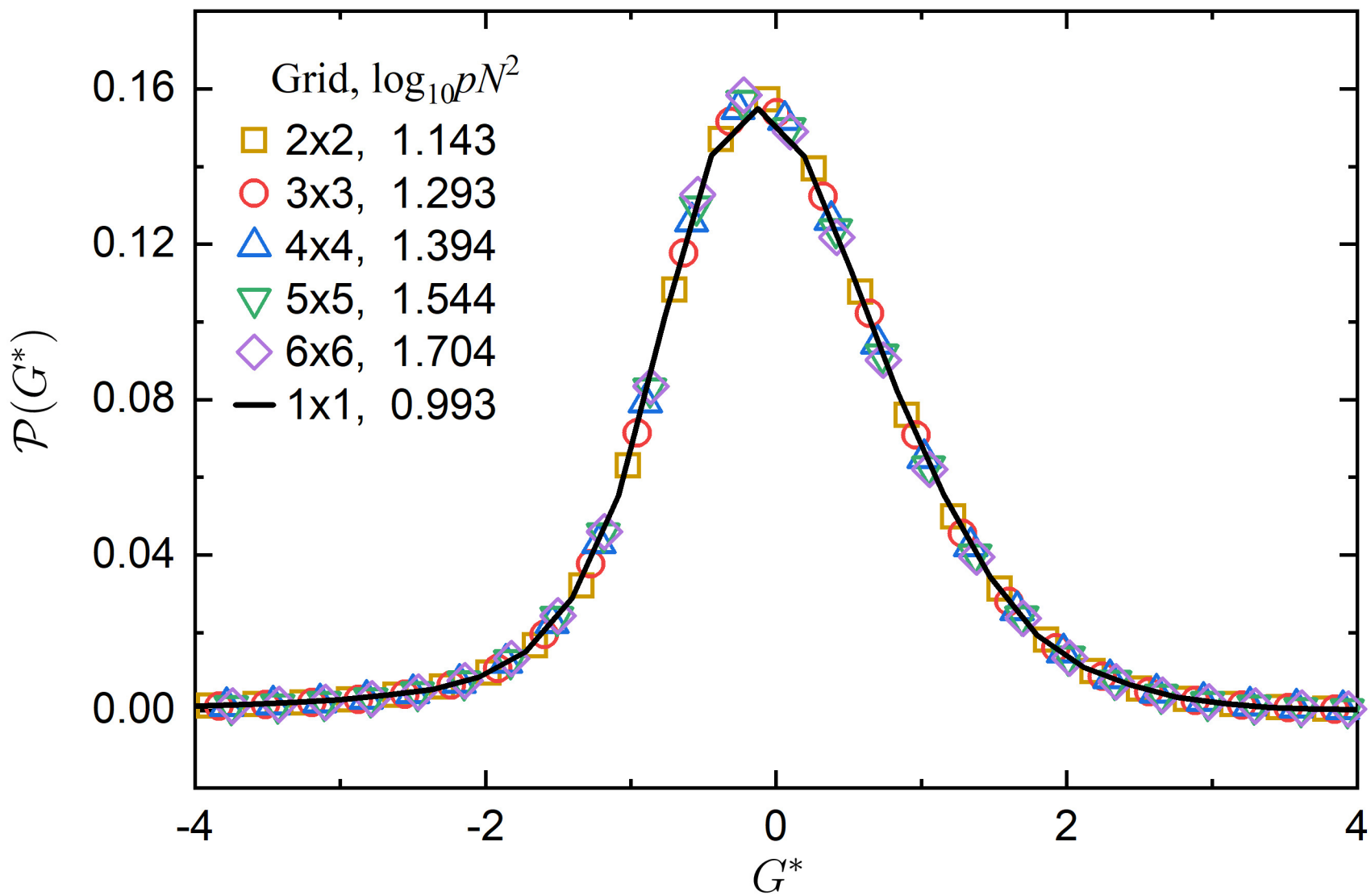




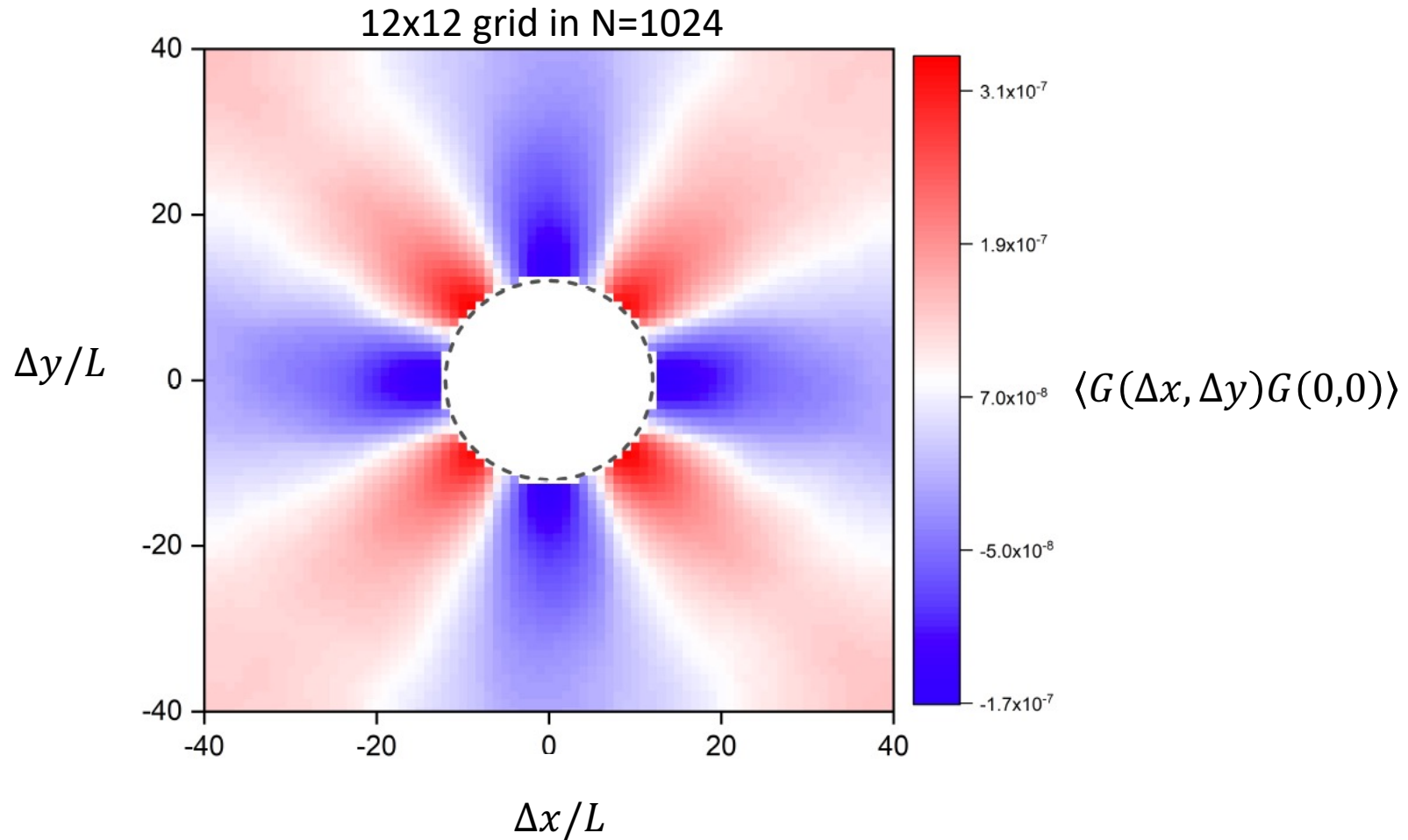
Need larger systems or higher pressures when trying to match small subsystems





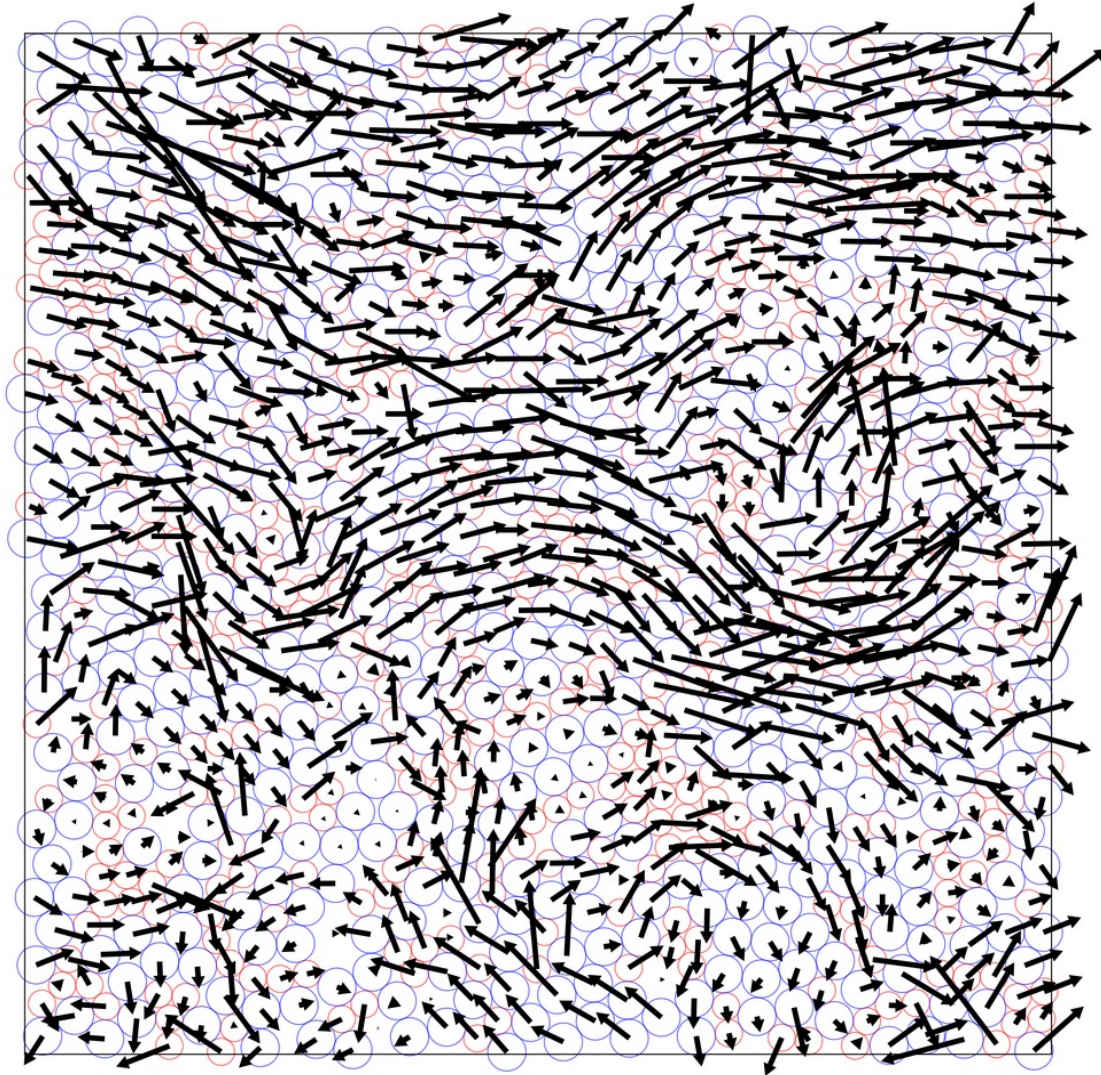


Spatial correlations of local shear moduli



Wait, can this be right?

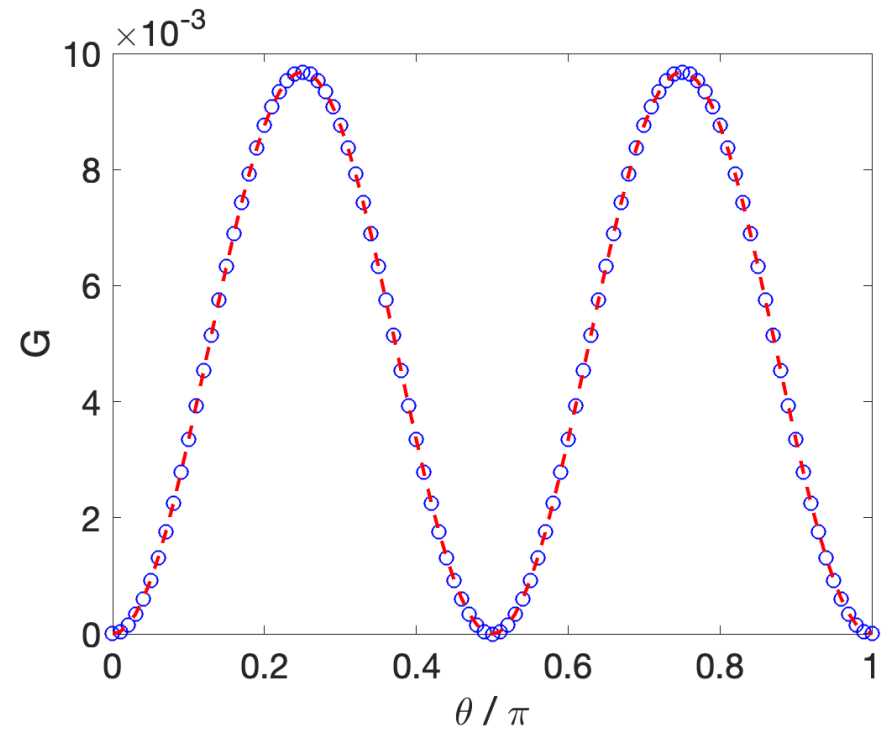
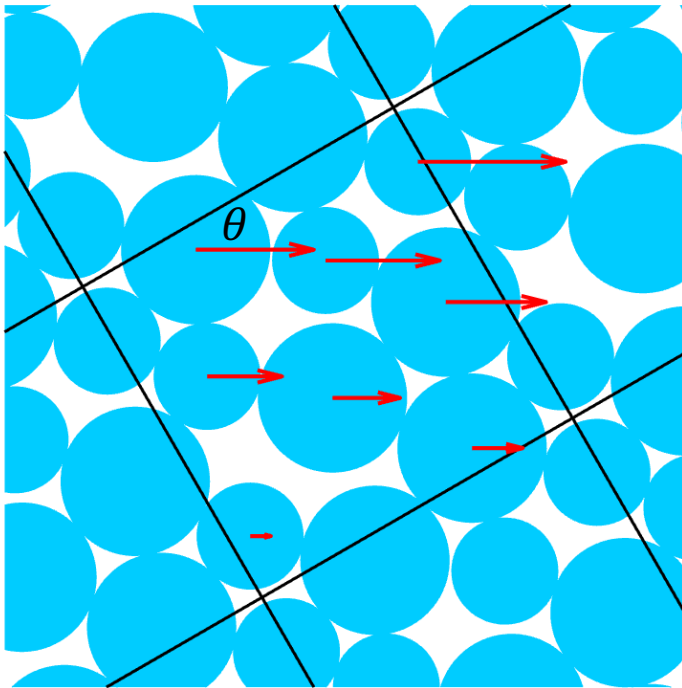
Subsystems do not move affinely; how do we define the local shear modulus?



$$P=10^{-6}; \Delta\gamma=10^{-9}$$

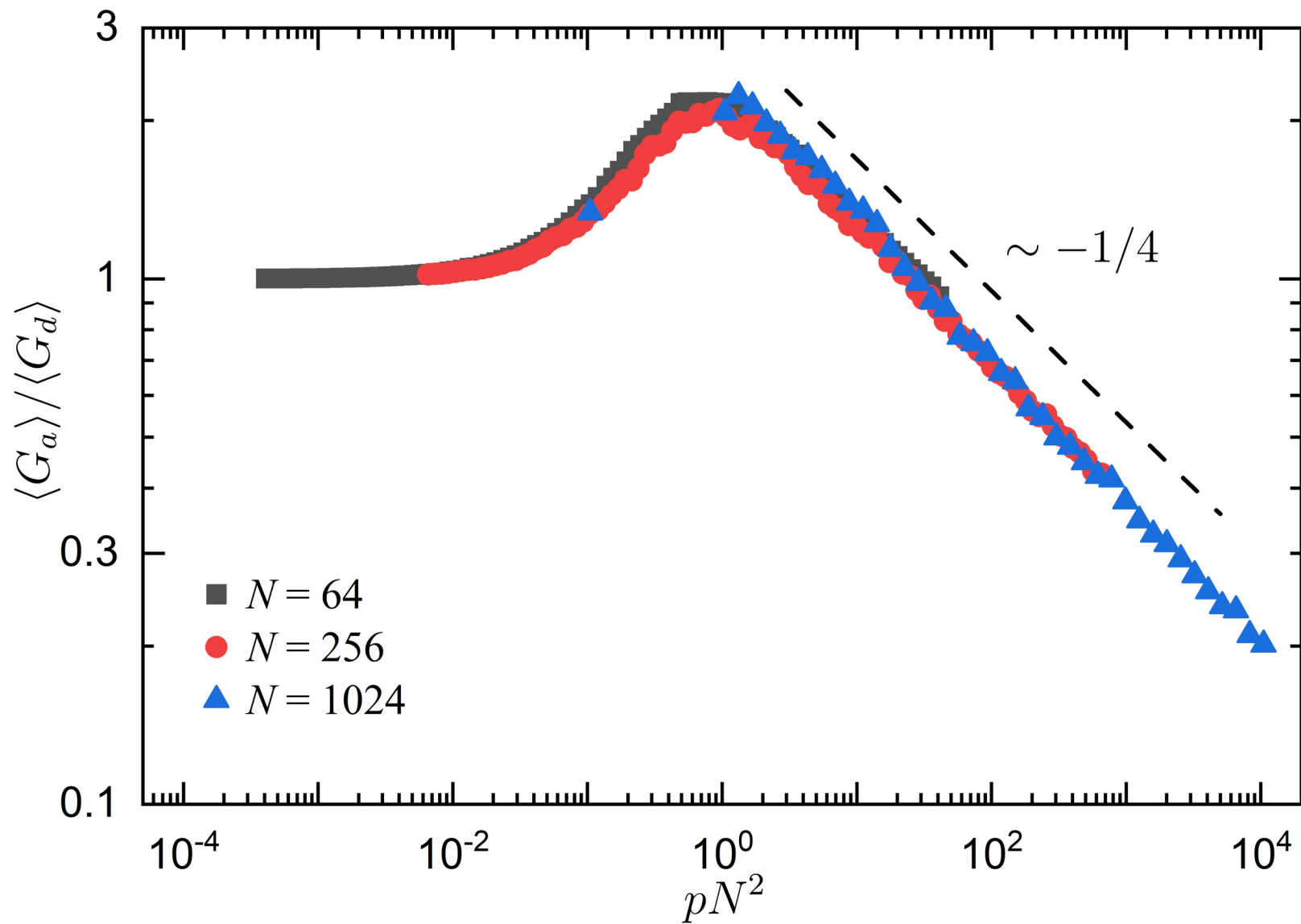
How do we compare subsystems at different angles?

N=8



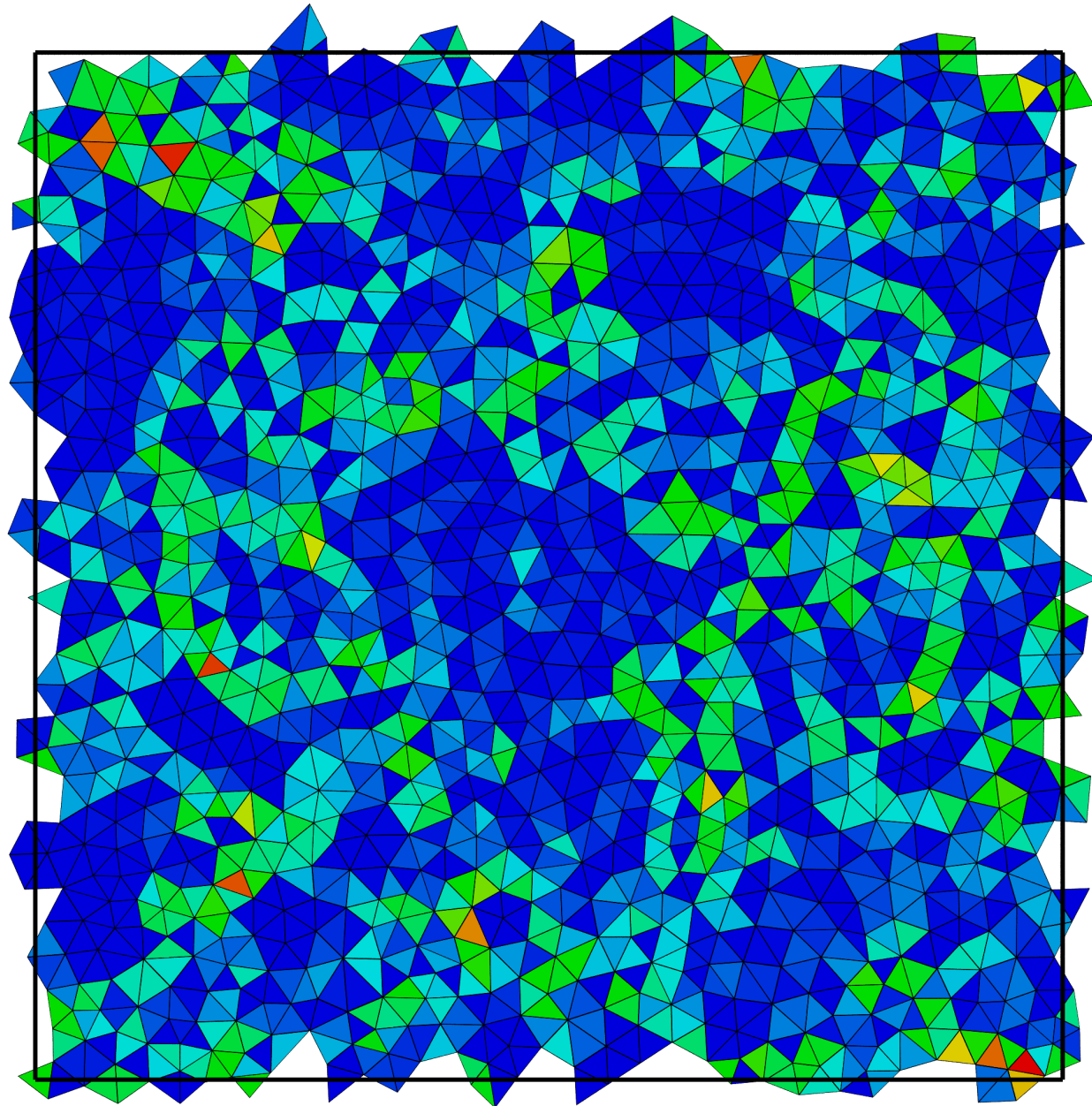
$$G = G_a \sin(4\theta - \theta_1) + G_d$$

$G_a \rightarrow 0$ for $pN^2 \rightarrow \infty$

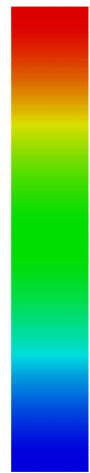


Delaunay triangulation

Simple shear
 $\gamma = 10^{-9}$



γ_{vm}
6.4e-8

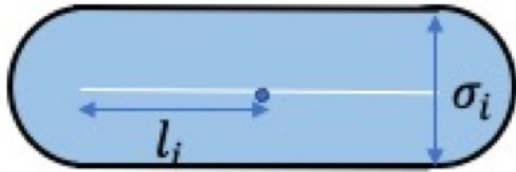


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Conclusions and future directions

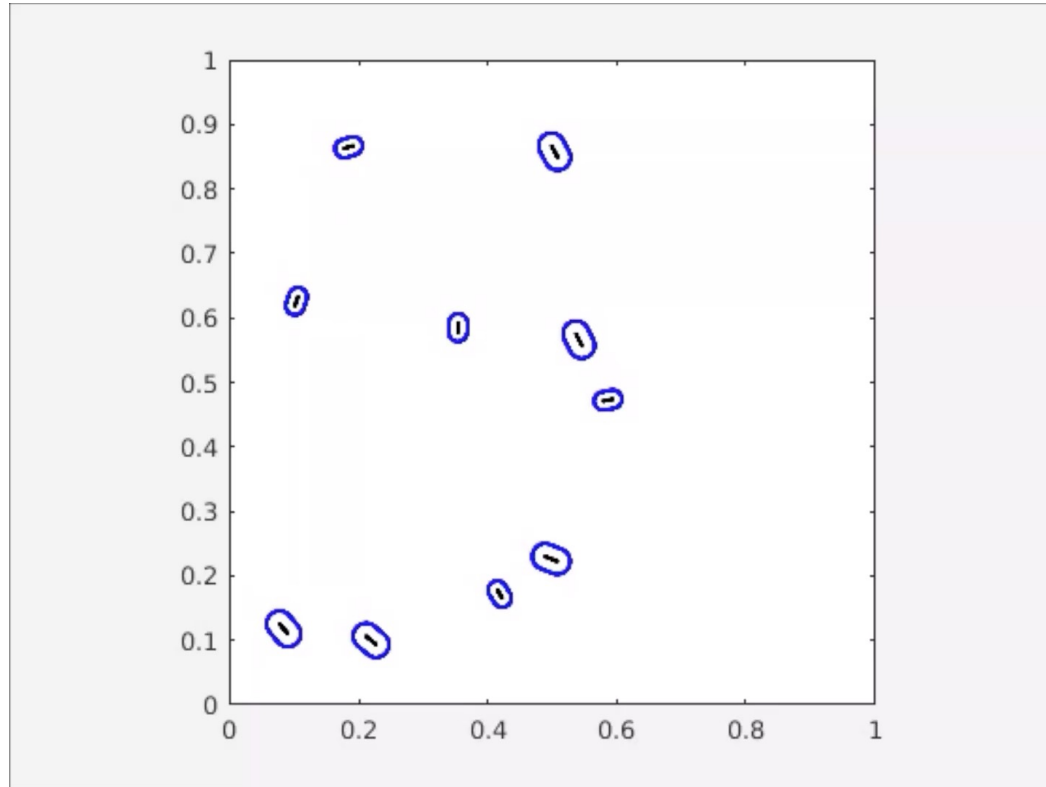
- Shear modulus decreases with increasing pressure when contact network is fixed; Rearrangements cause jumps/changes in slope in shear modulus; occurrence of $G < 0$ when using fixed strain boundary conditions; important ingredients for developing theoretical descriptions of mechanical properties of granular beds
- Can relate distribution of shear moduli at different scales and pressures when assuming affine strain
- How to calculate local shear moduli without assuming affine strain? Can calculate stiffness matrix by measuring stress matrix and deformation gradient tensor of Delaunay triangles. Is the distribution of local G the "cause" of nonaffine mechanical response?
- Now apply these calculations to packings of frictional and non-spherical particles

Jammed packings of circulo-lines



$N=10; R=1.7$

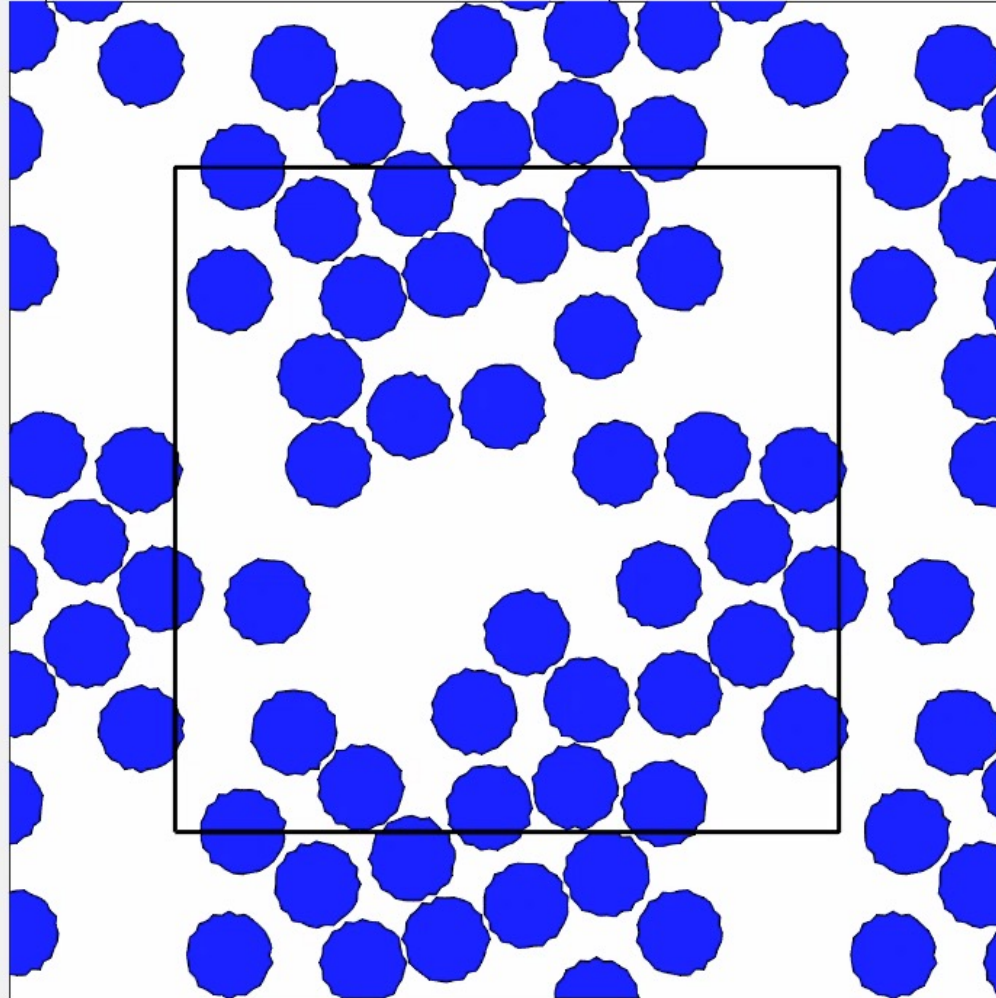
$$R = \frac{\sigma_i + 2l_i}{\sigma_i}$$



$N/2$ large
 $N/2$ small
 $\sigma_l/\sigma_s=1.4$

$$N_c < N_c^{iso}$$
$$N_c = N_c^{iso} - N_q$$

Isotropic compression to jamming onset



$$A=1.1; \phi_J = 0.93; Nv = 32$$