

Flocks and crowds: active fluids

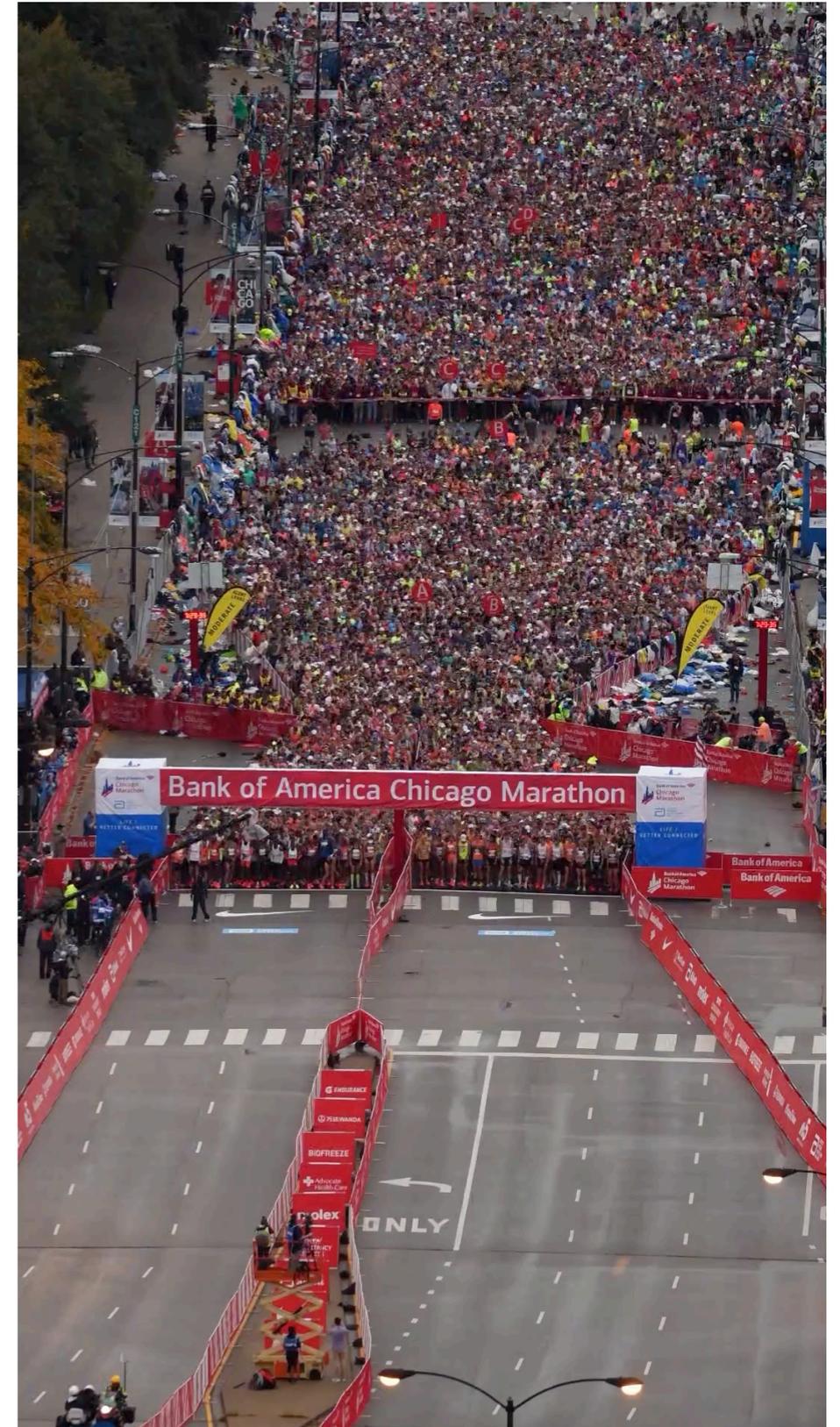
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Flock hydraulics



Crowd hydrodynamics



How does *active matter* flow?

Active Matter

We are active solids



Marin Bartolo
Sardinia 2019

Fish school



Jake Butters and Denis Bartolo

Bird flock



Starling flock, Roma (BBC)

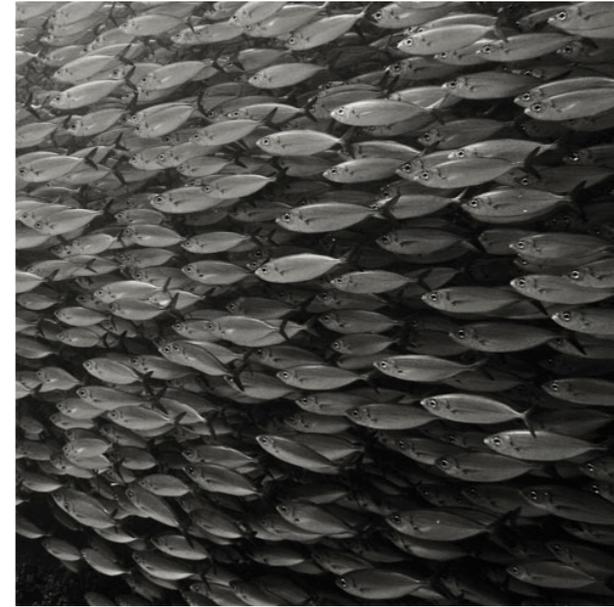
Locust swarm



Active liquids



F. Nureldine, AFP



Steve Dunleavy



National geographic



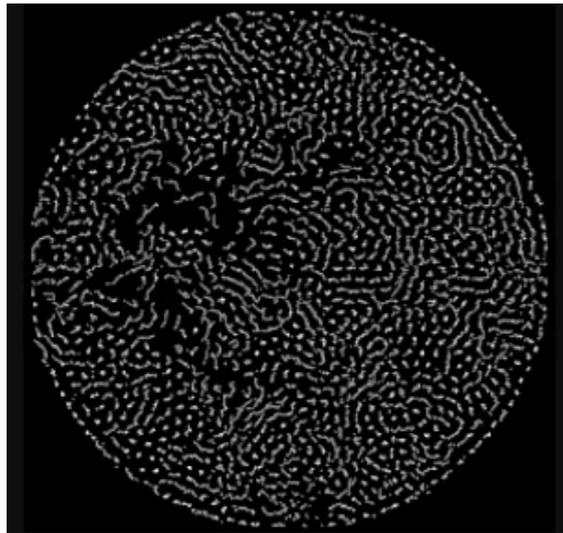
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Flocks, schools and herds
as spontaneously flowing liquids

Synthetic active matter

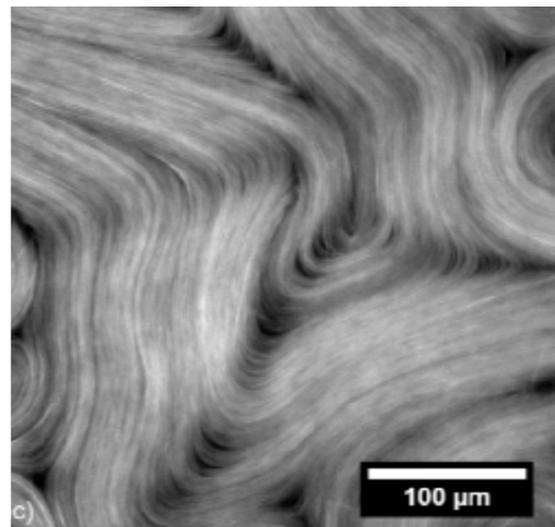
Synthetic active matter

Active emulsions



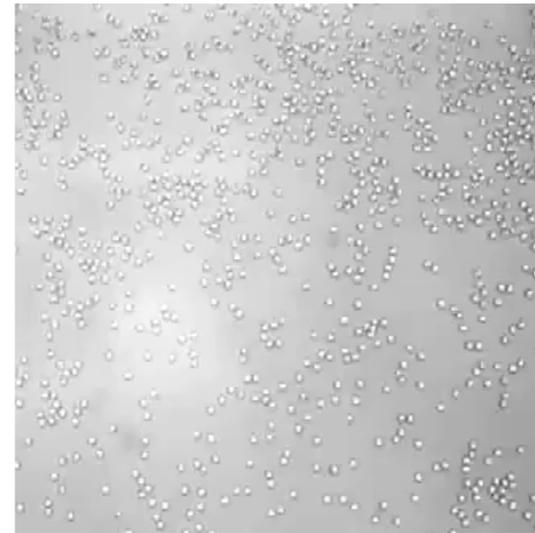
Thutupalli et al NJP (2011)

Active nematics



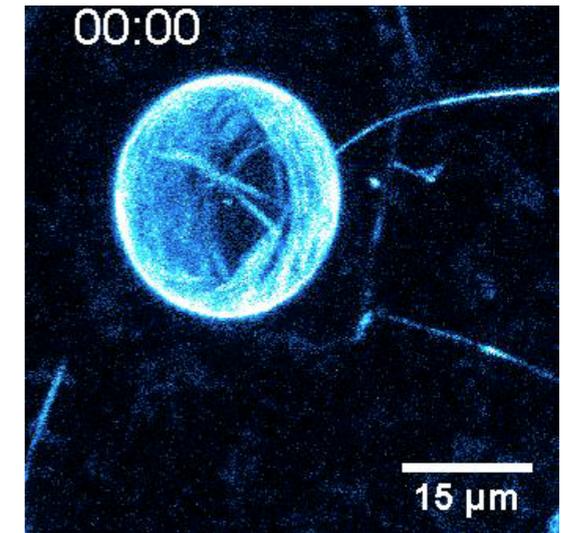
Sanchez et al Nature (2012)

Active colloids



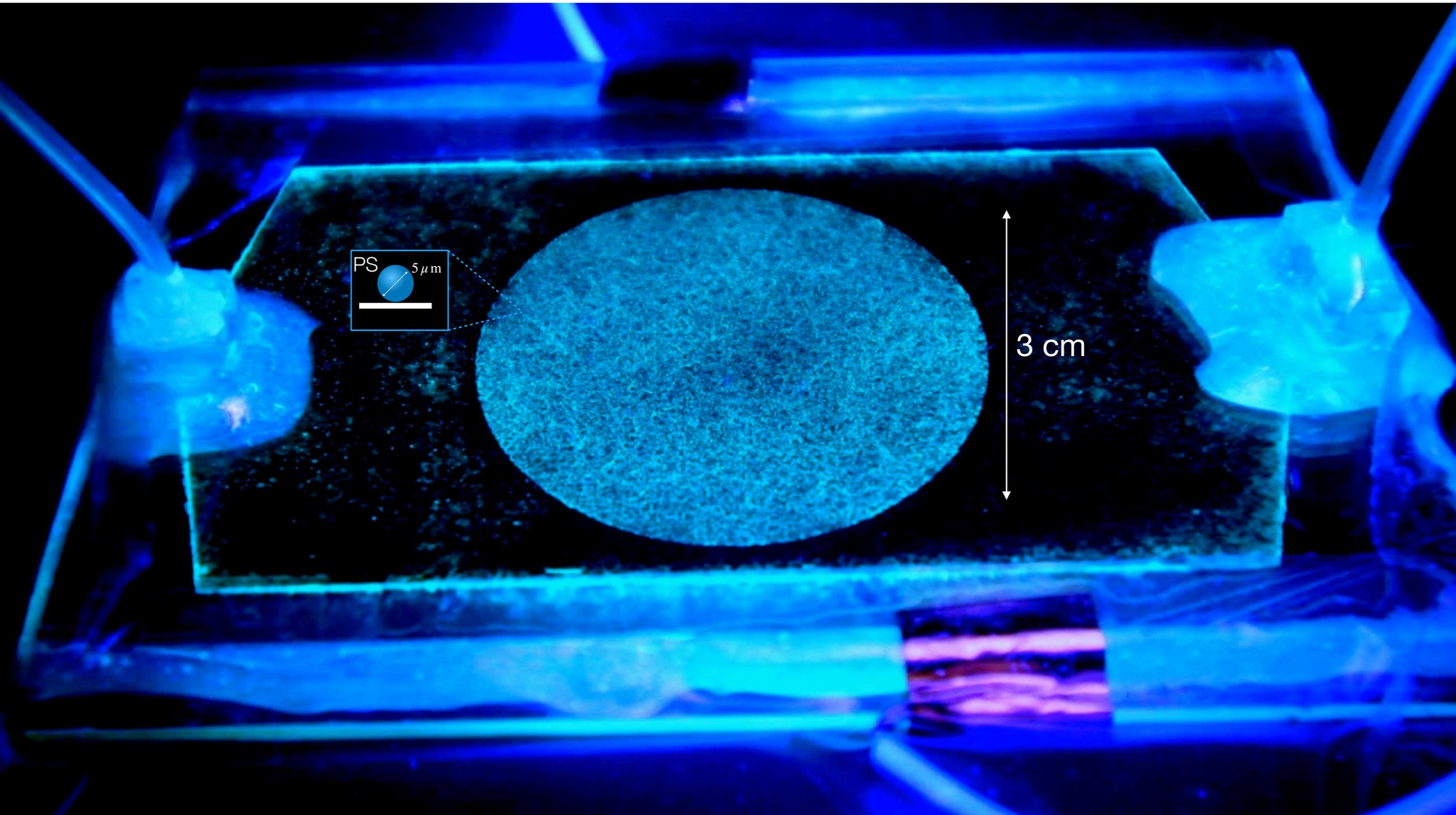
Palacci et al Science (2013)

Active membranes

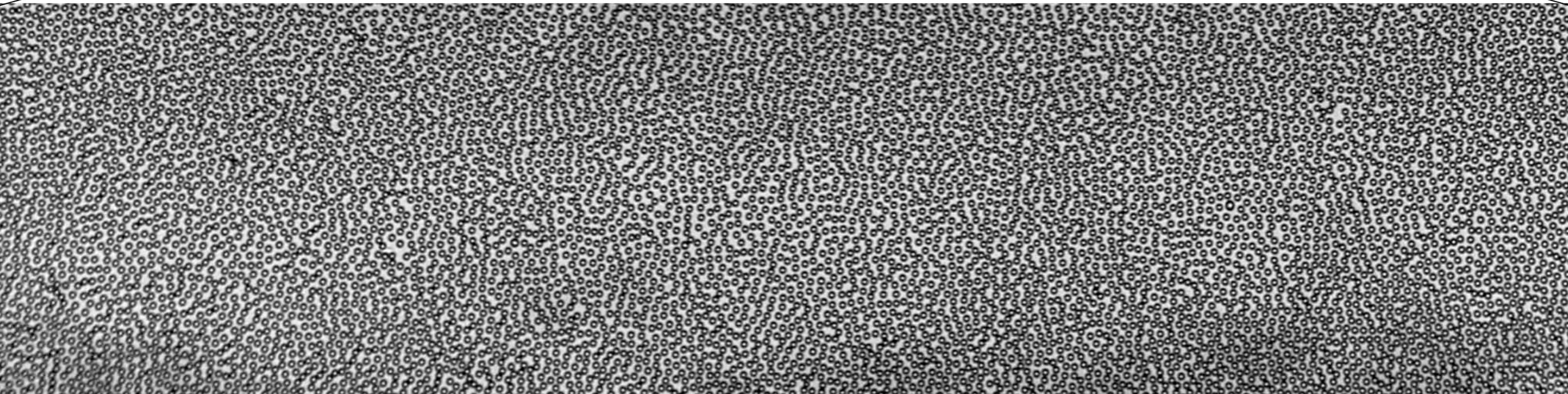


Keber et al Science (2014)

Synthetic flocks



Flocking fluids: laminar flows

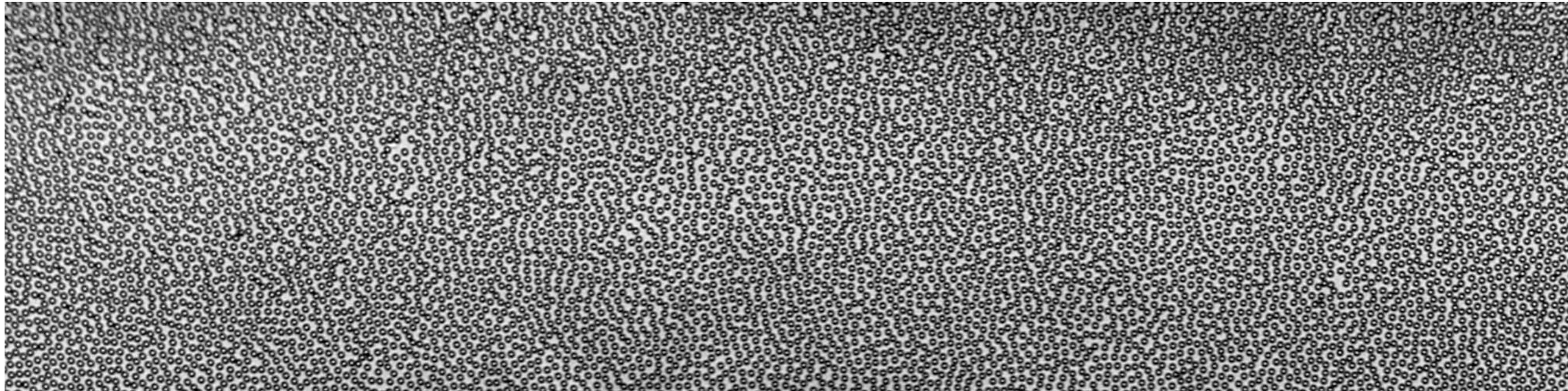


Colloidal rollers

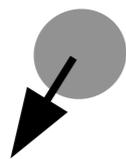
$$\phi \sim 3 \times 10^{-1}$$

Engineering flocking fluids

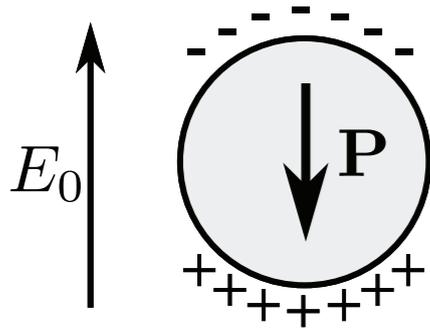
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Self-propelled units



Colloidal rollers



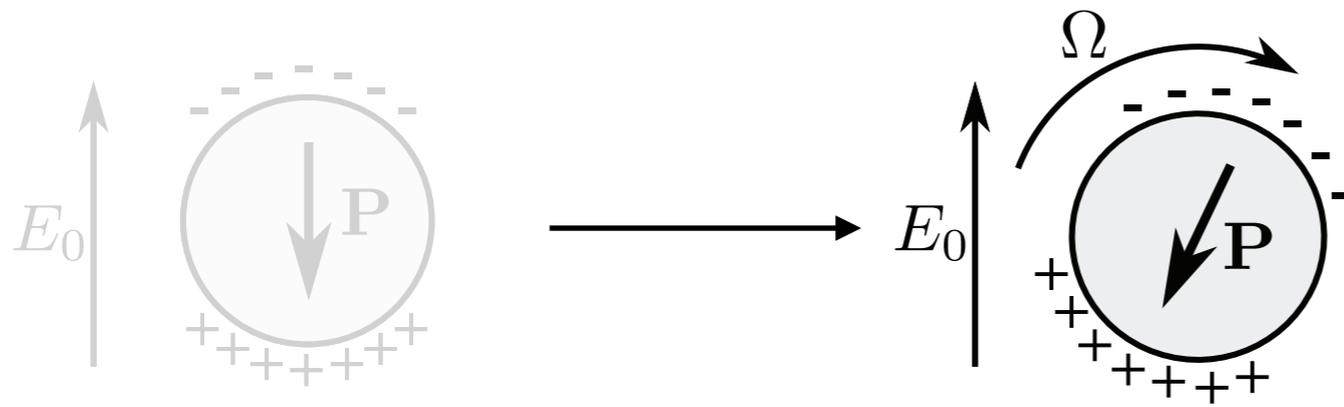
Insulating bead

Conducting fluid

DC **E** field

Colloidal rollers

Spontaneous rotation



Insulating bead

Conducting fluid

DC \mathbf{E} field

Quincke
Electro-rotation

Colloidal rollers

Spontaneous rotation

Rolling Motion



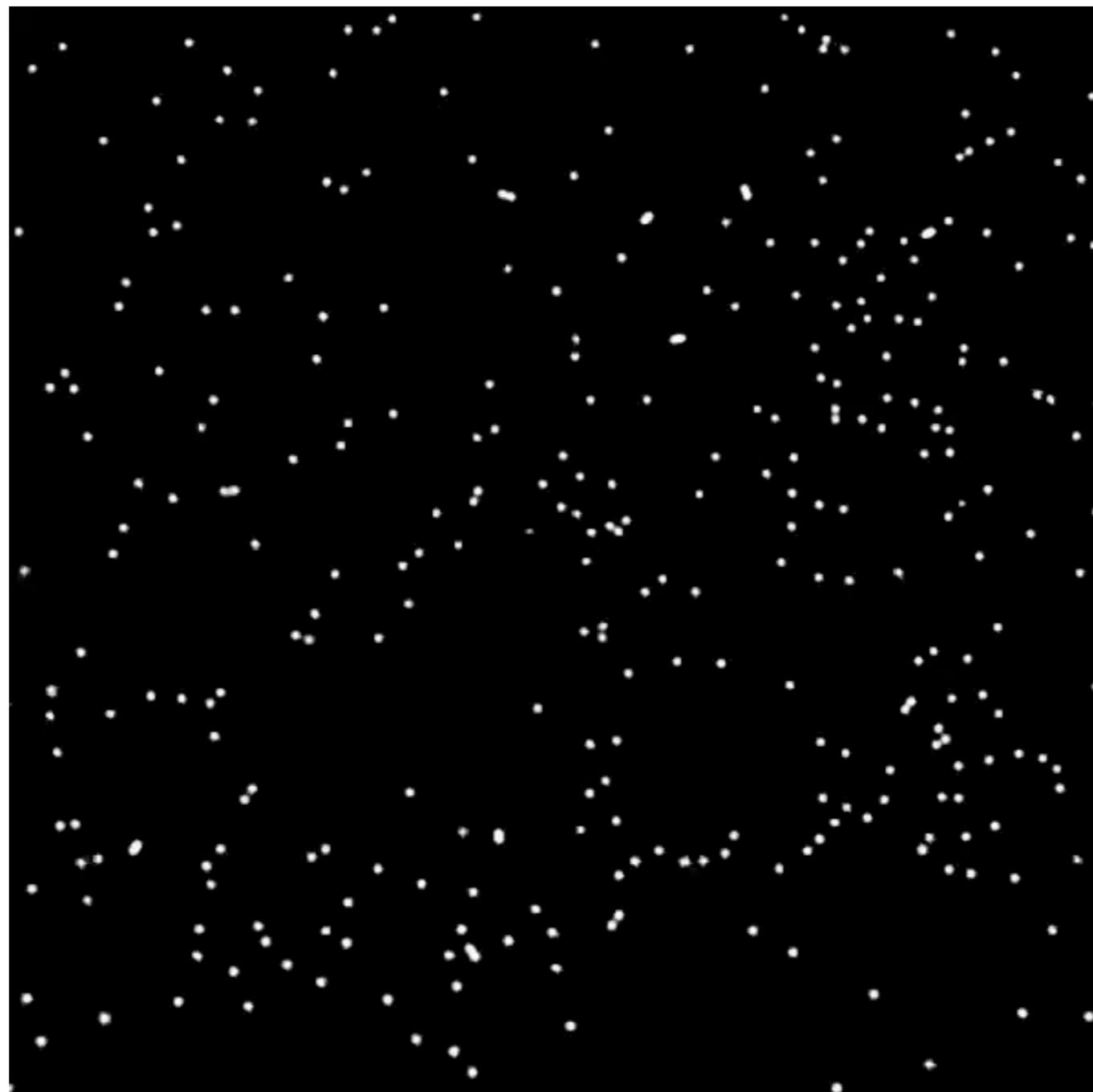
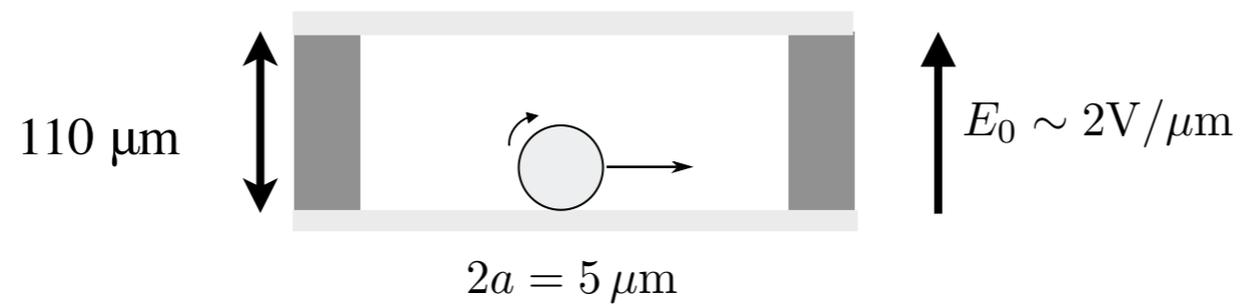
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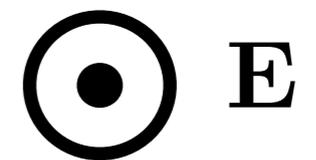
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Quincke rollers



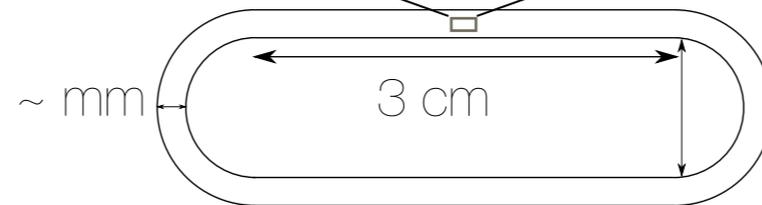
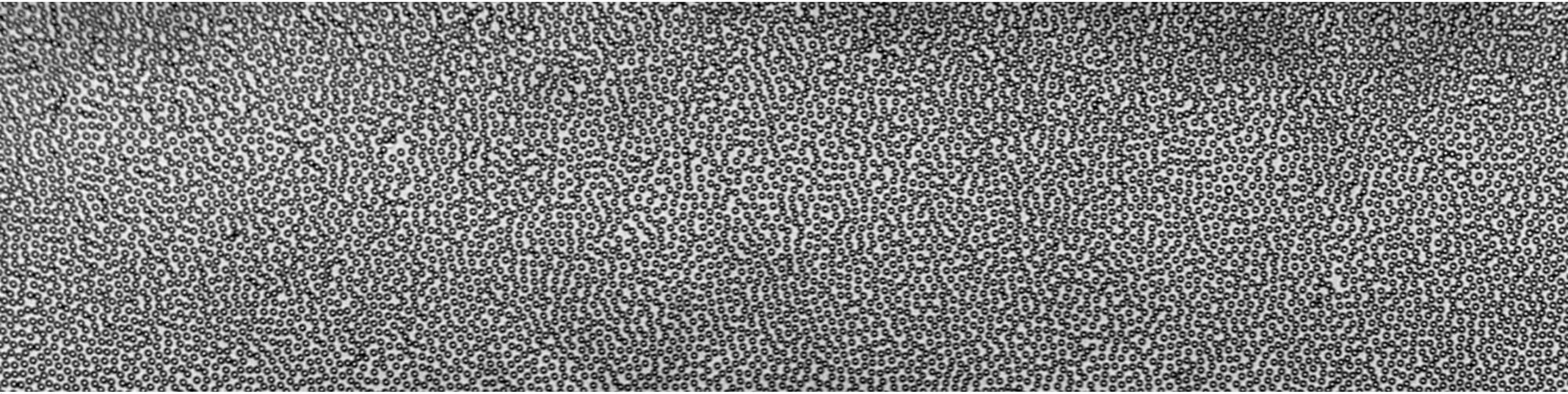
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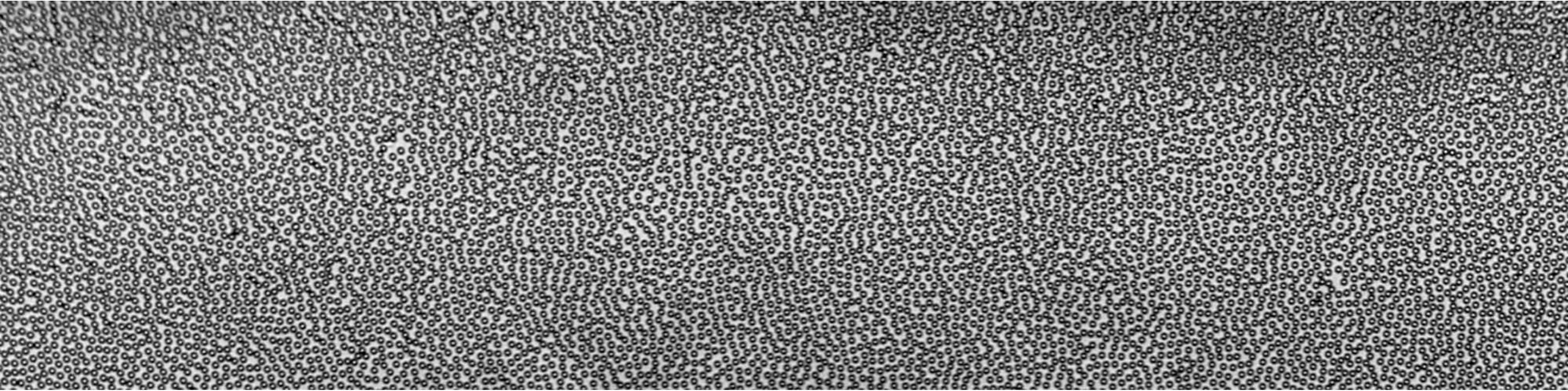
$\phi \sim 10^{-4}$

Flocking transition



$$\phi \sim 3 \times 10^{-1}$$

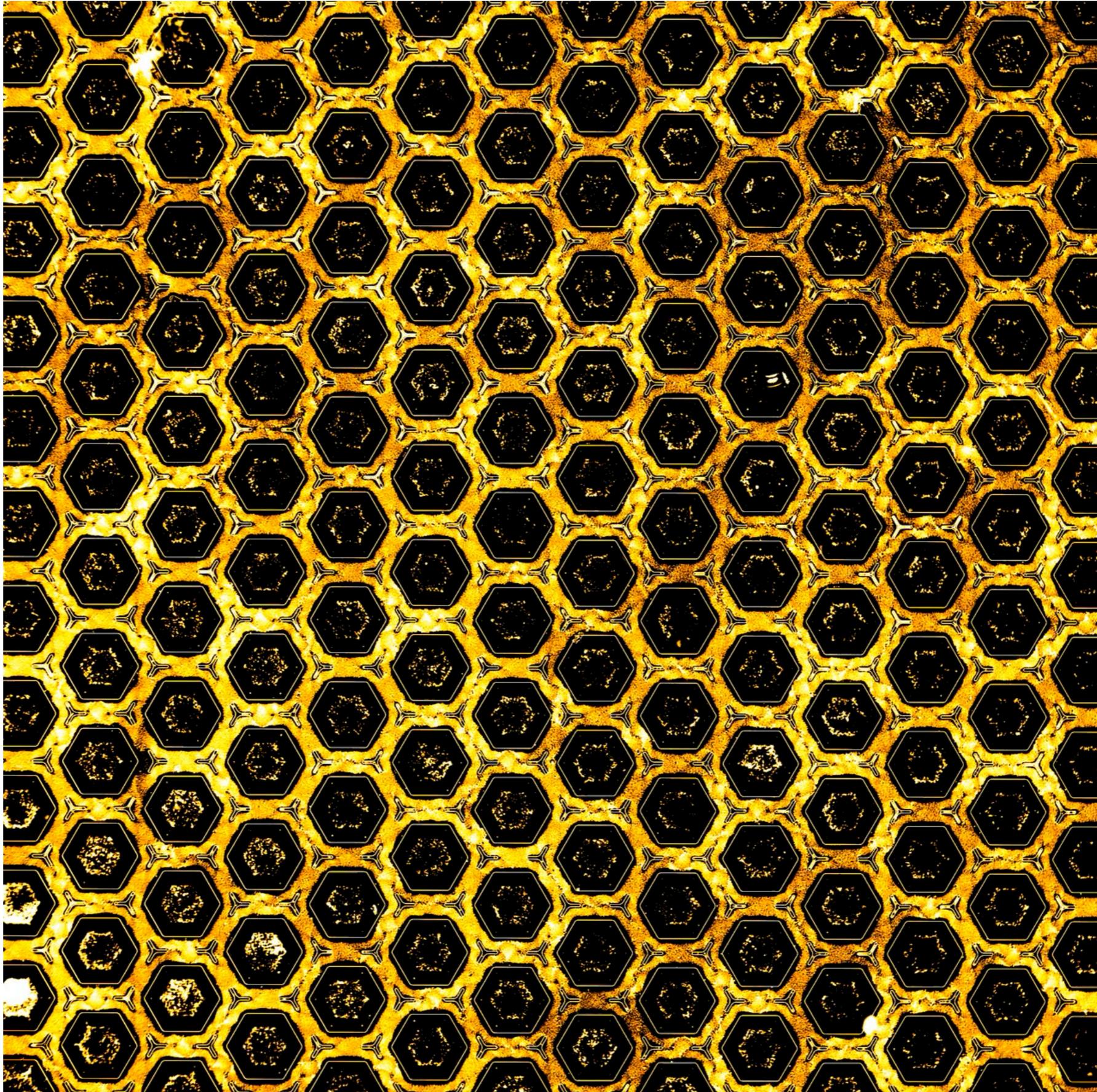
Flocking fluids



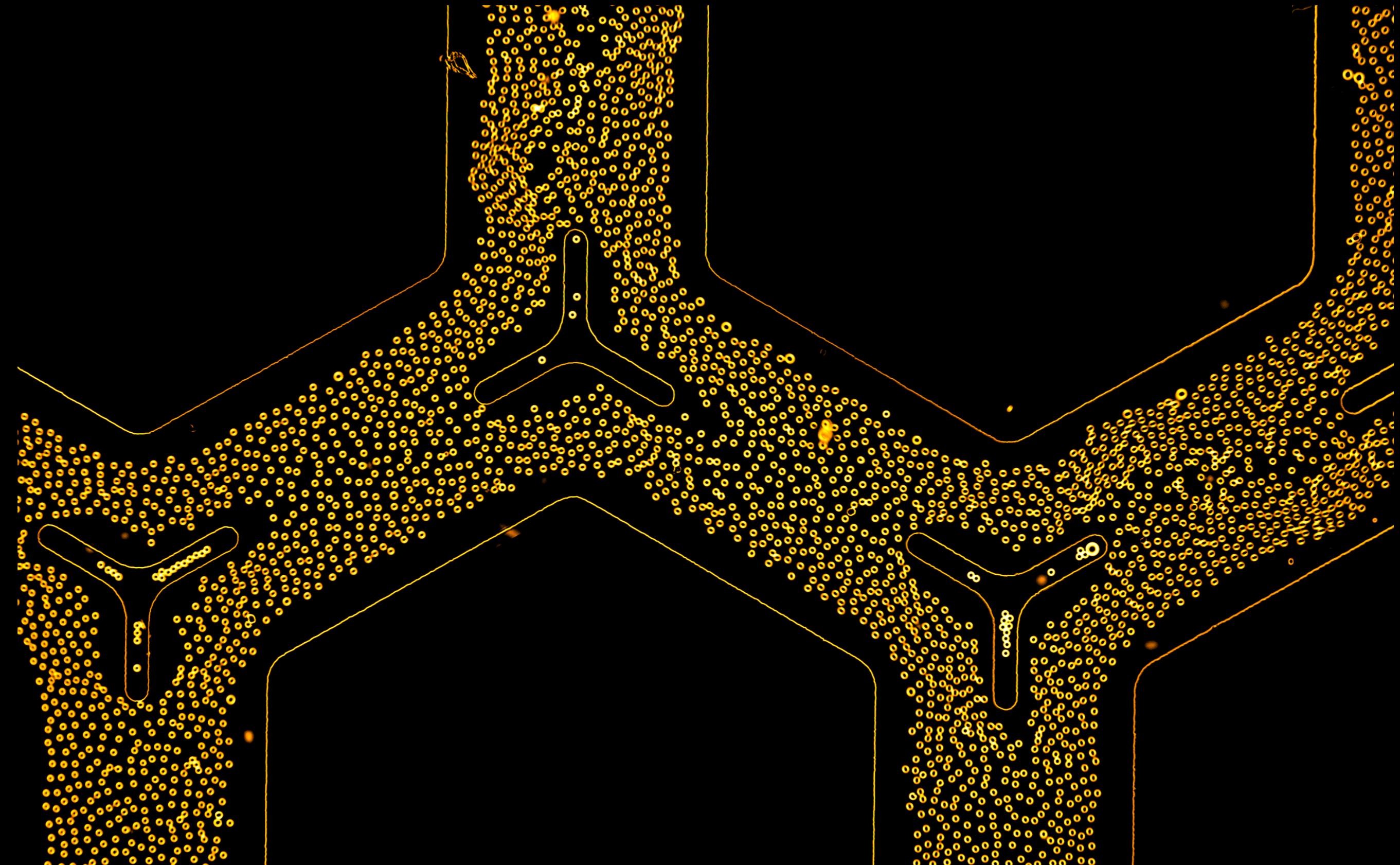
Spontaneous laminar flows
in channels and pipes

$$\phi \sim 3 \times 10^{-1}$$

Active flows in pipe networks?

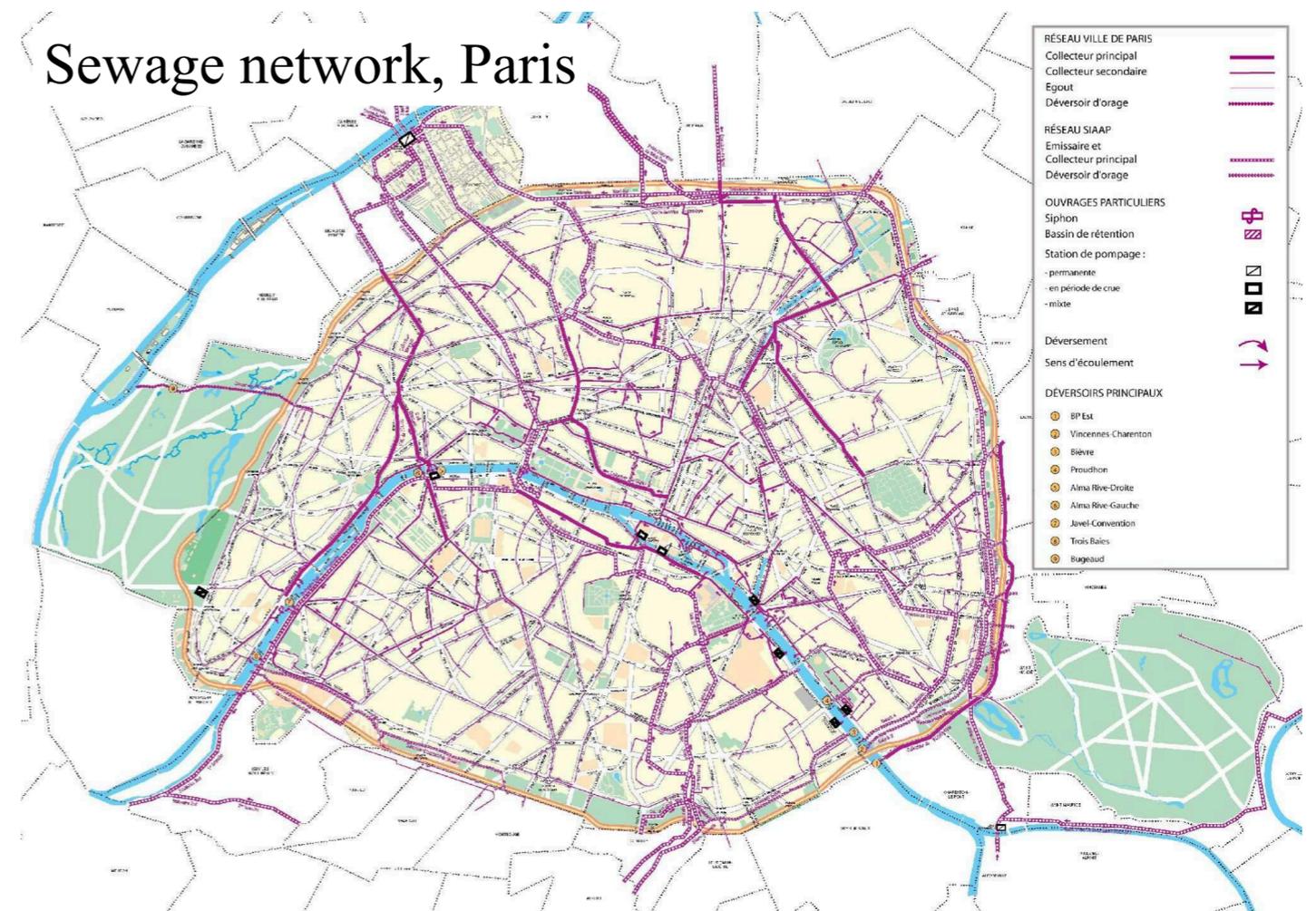
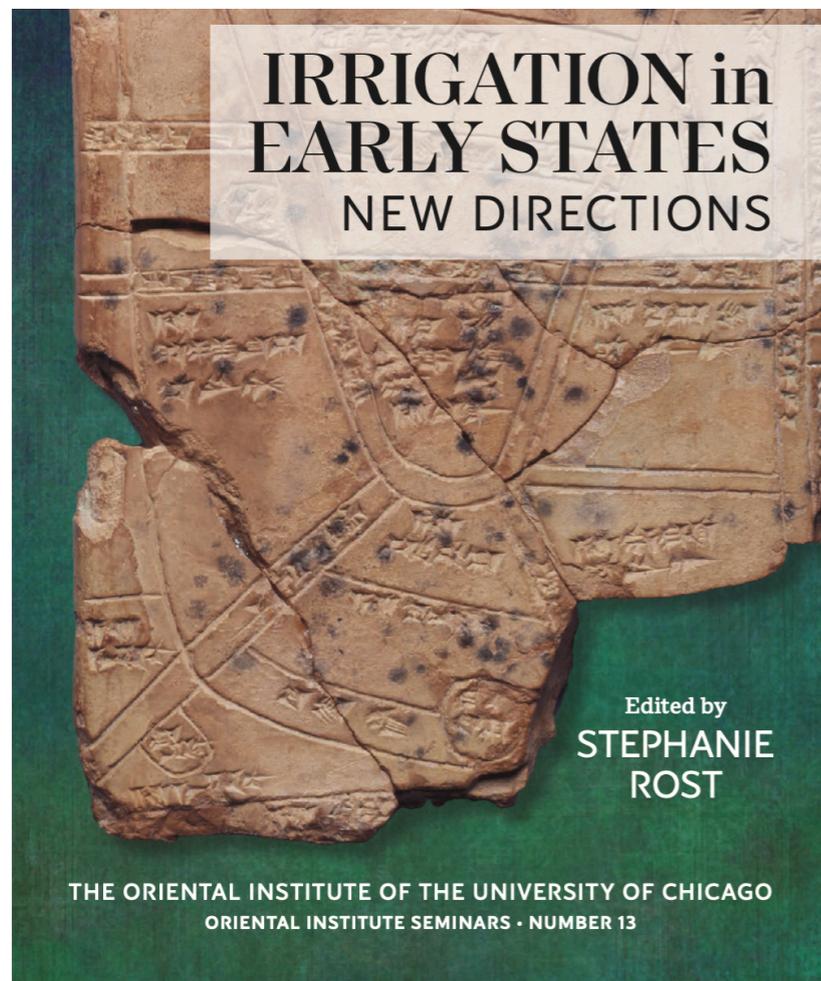


Active Hydraulics?



Hydraulics

Conveyance of liquids through pipes and channels



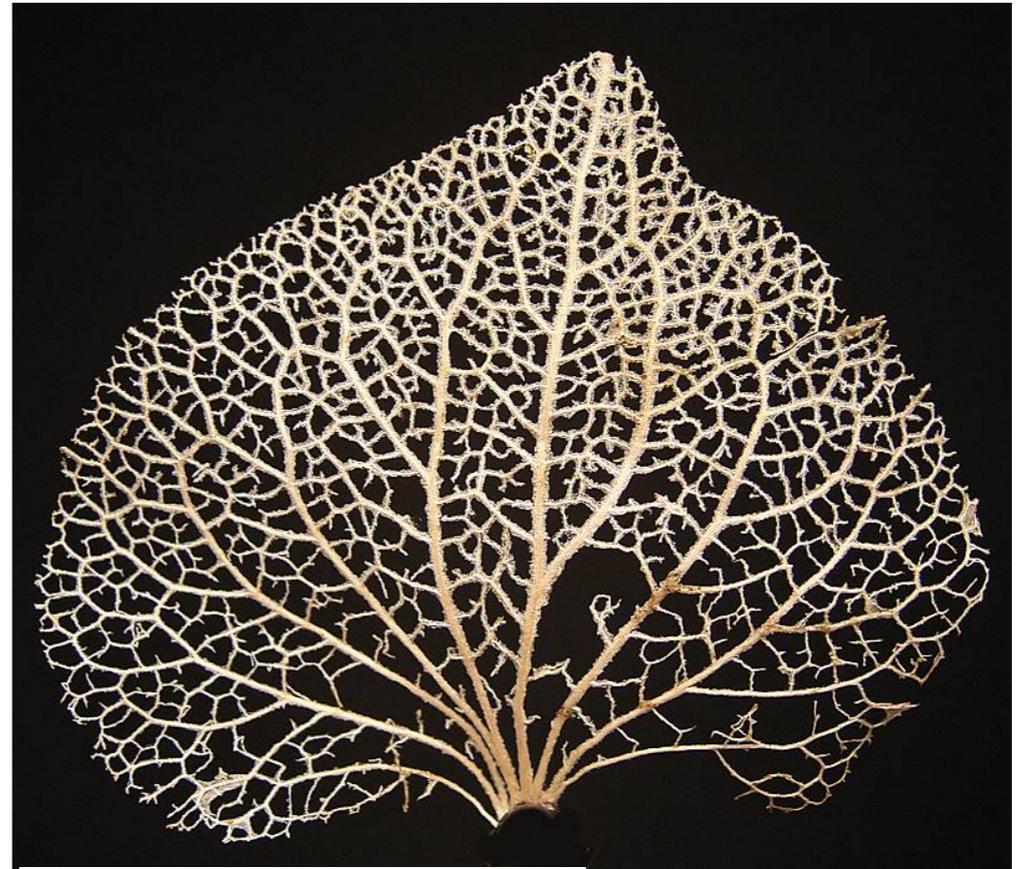
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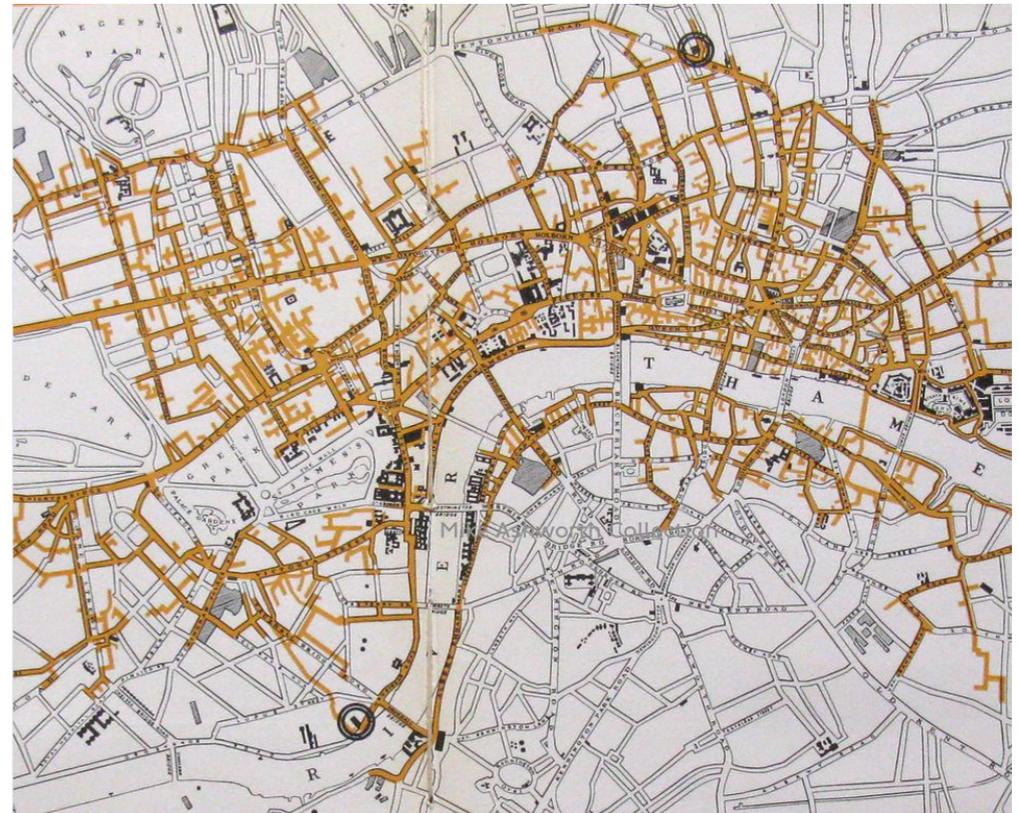
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Hydraulics

Linear problem



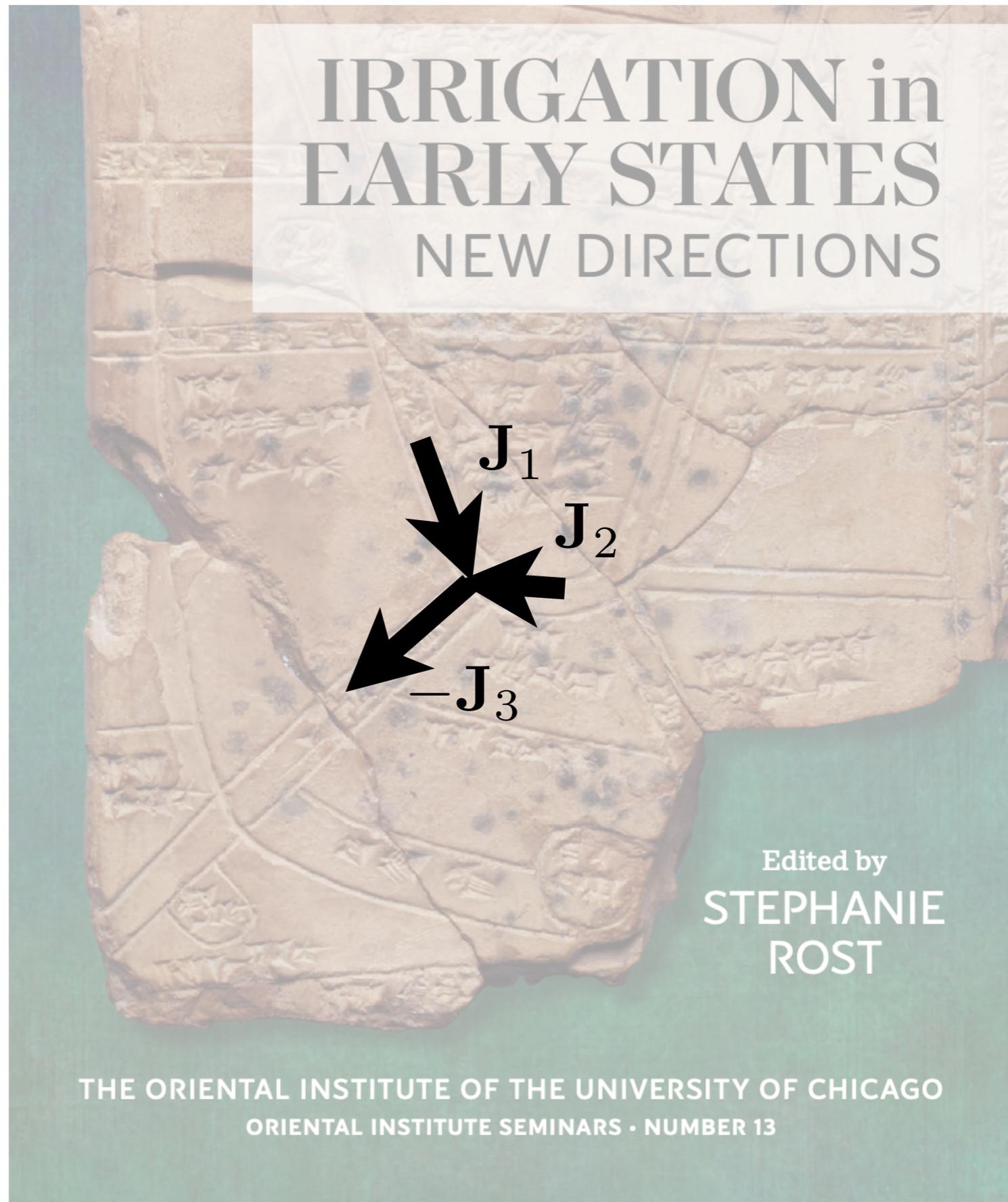
Vein skeleton of a Hydrangea ,wikipedia



London's hydraulic Network 1960, Power water networks

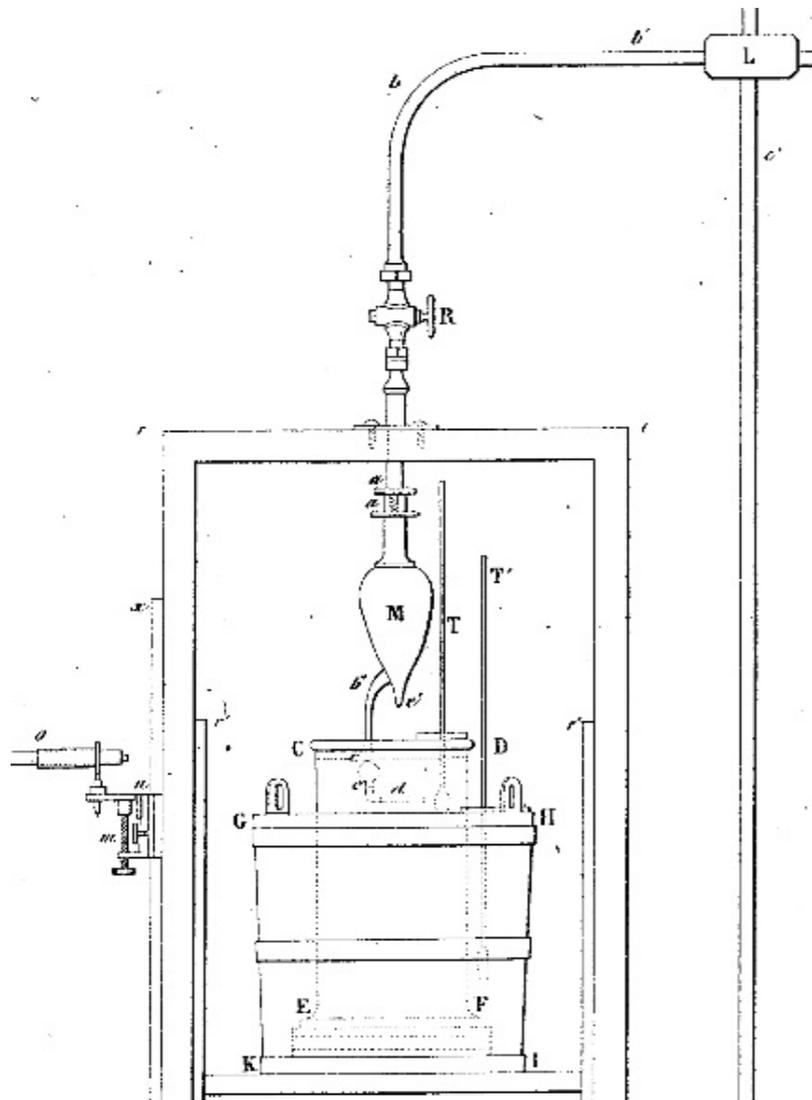
Mass conservation

$$\sum_{\text{node } i} \mathbf{J}_i = 0$$



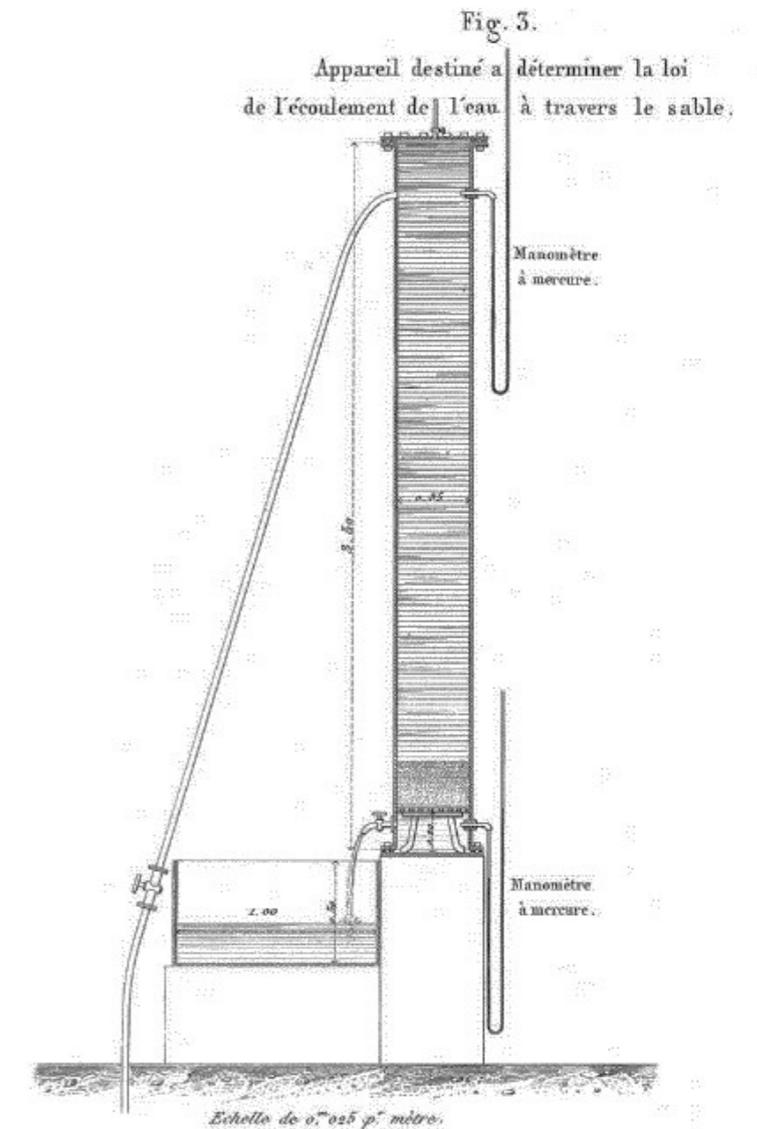
Constitutive relation

Poiseuille (1840)



Recherches expérimentales sur le mouvement des liquides, dans les tubes de très petits diamètres, 1840

Darcy (1856)



Fontaines publiques de la ville de Dijon, 1856

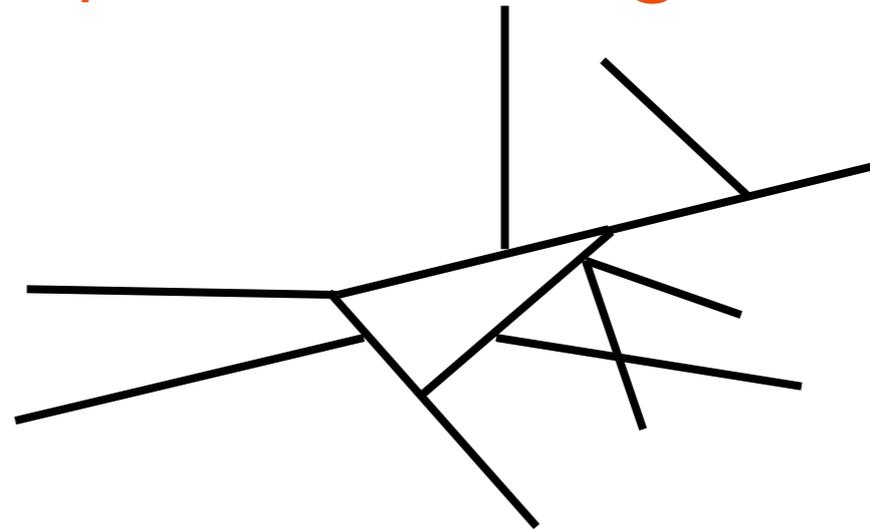
Hydraulics Newtonian fluids

Linear relations

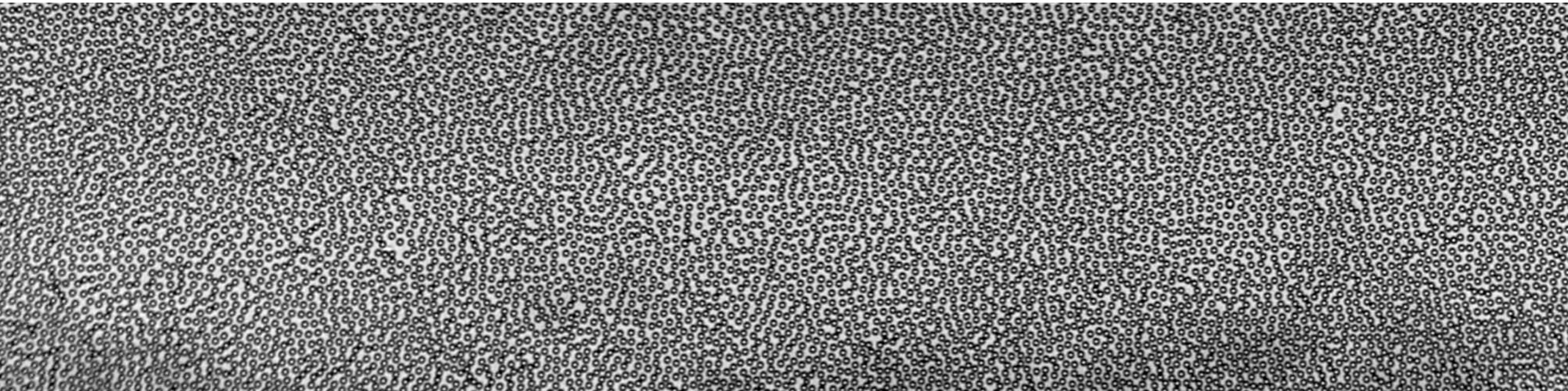
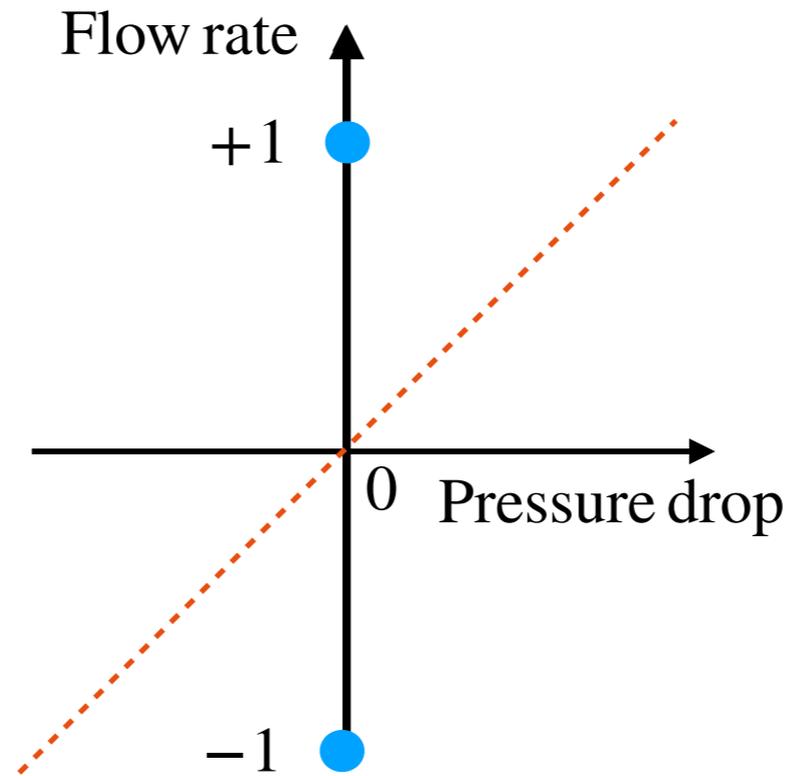
$$J = -K \Delta P$$

$$\sum_{\text{node } i} \mathbf{J}_i = 0$$

Pipe network geometry

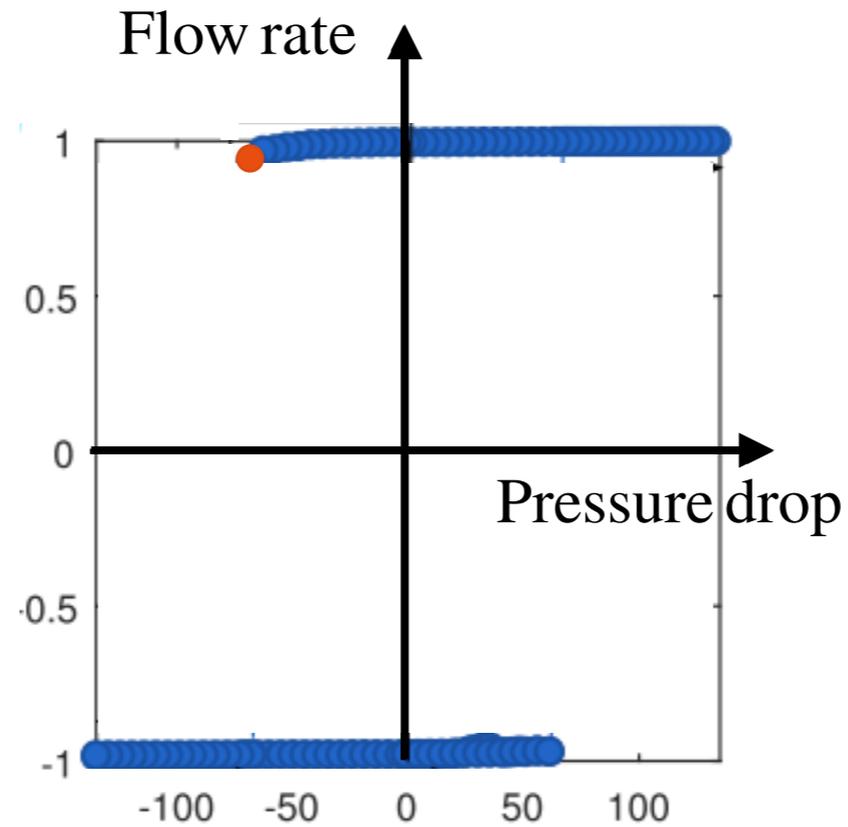


Confined Active Flows: Nonlinear

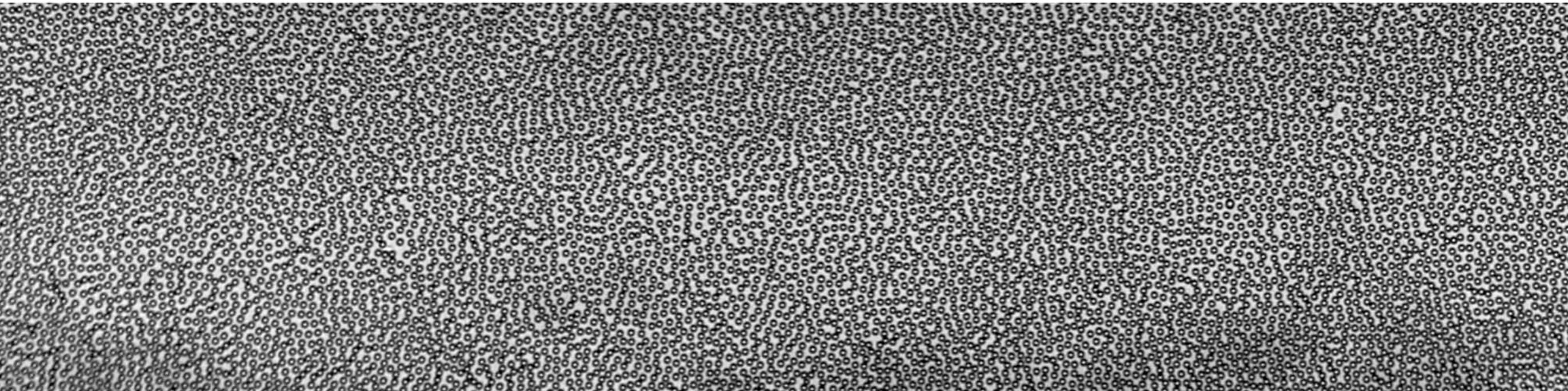


Colloidal rollers

Active fluids: Bistable flows



$$J = \pm J_0$$



Colloidal rollers

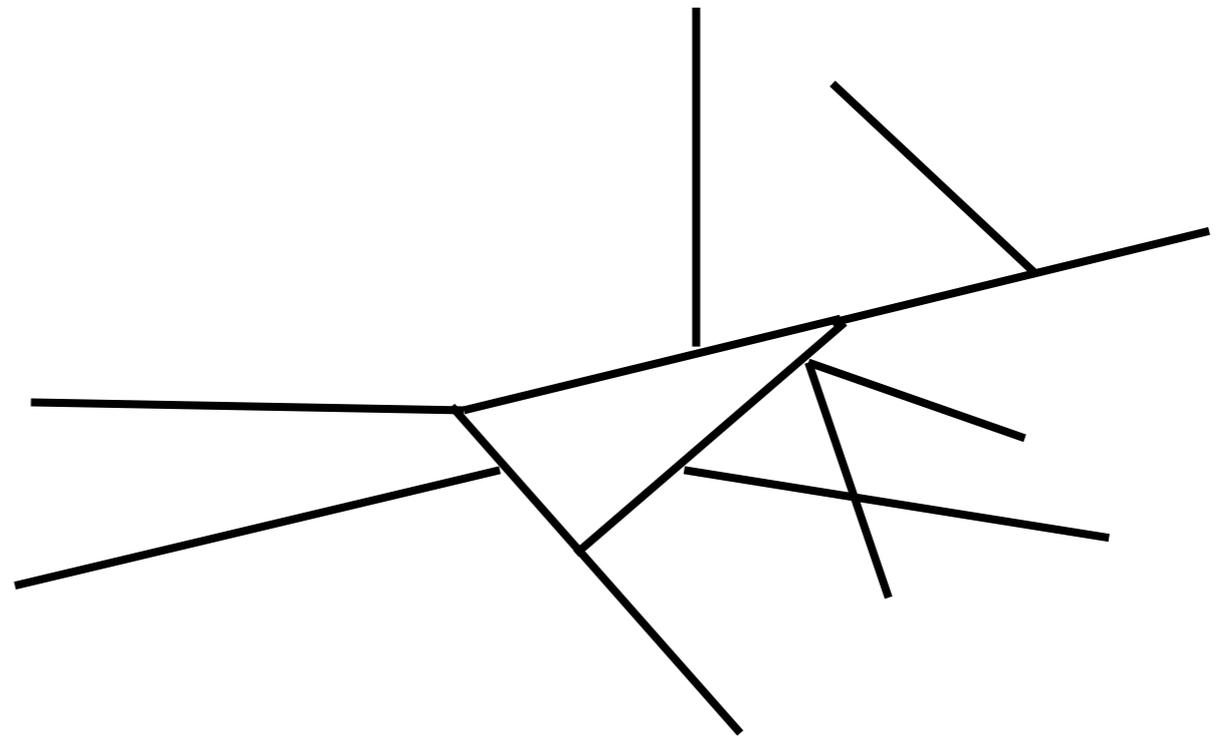
Active Hydraulics

Two constraints

$$J_i = \pm J_0$$

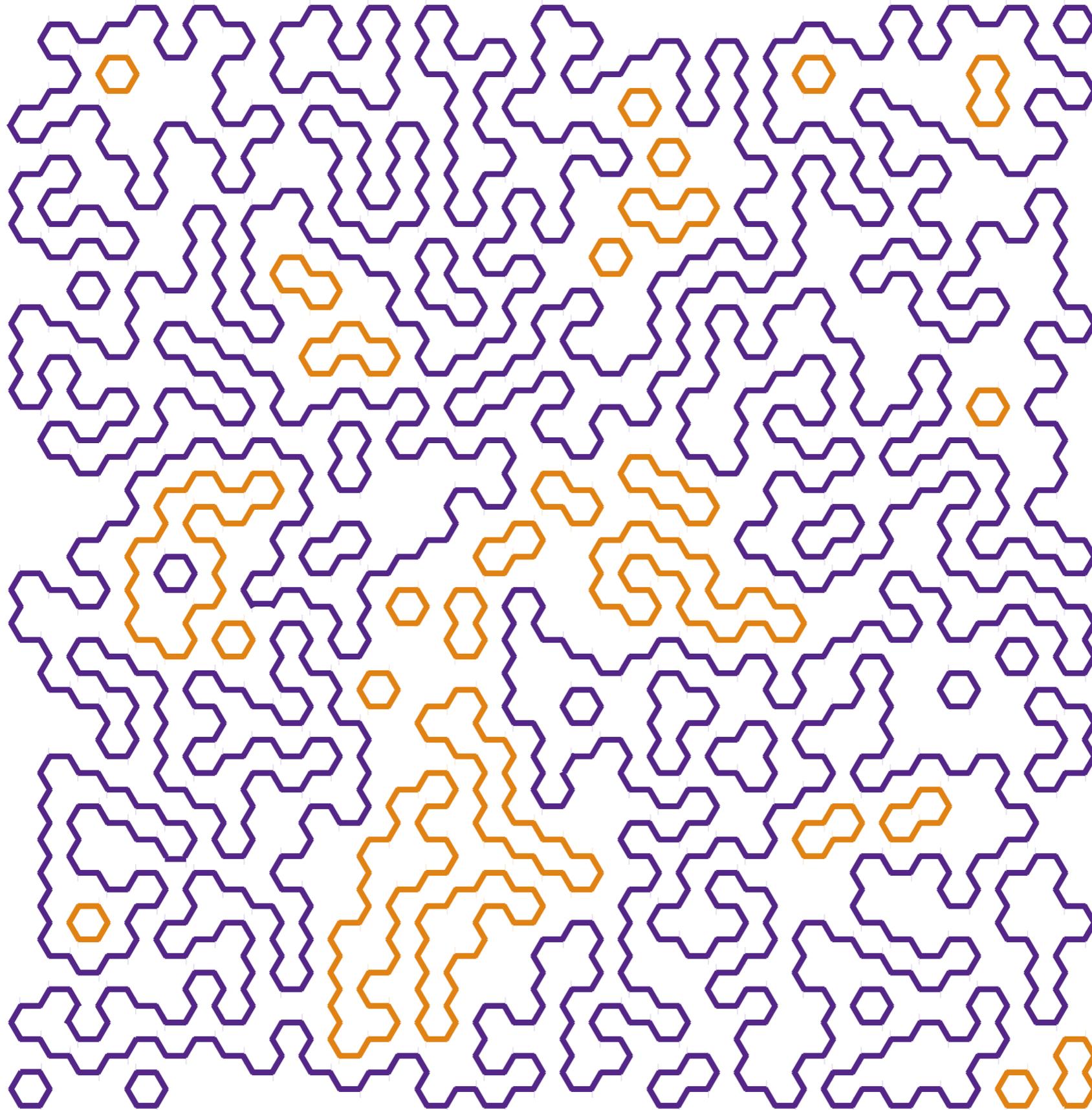
$$\sum_{\text{node } i} \mathbf{J}_i = 0$$

Pipe-network geometry



Vertex problem

Emergent flow patterns?



Simplest Geometry

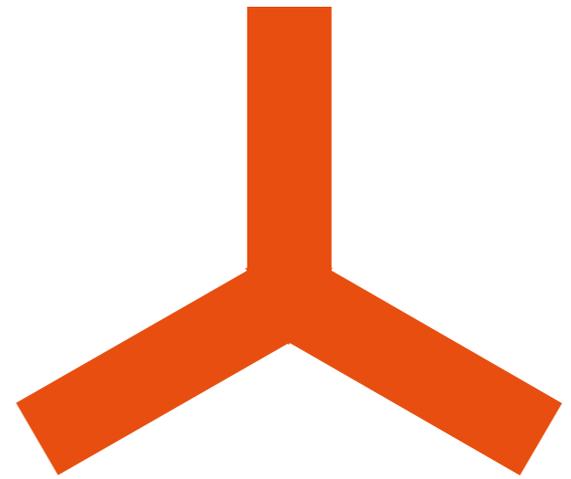
Bivalent Units



Pipe

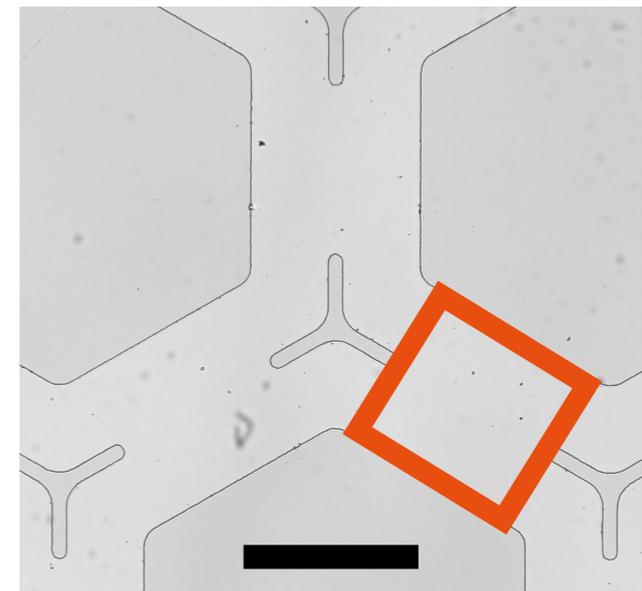
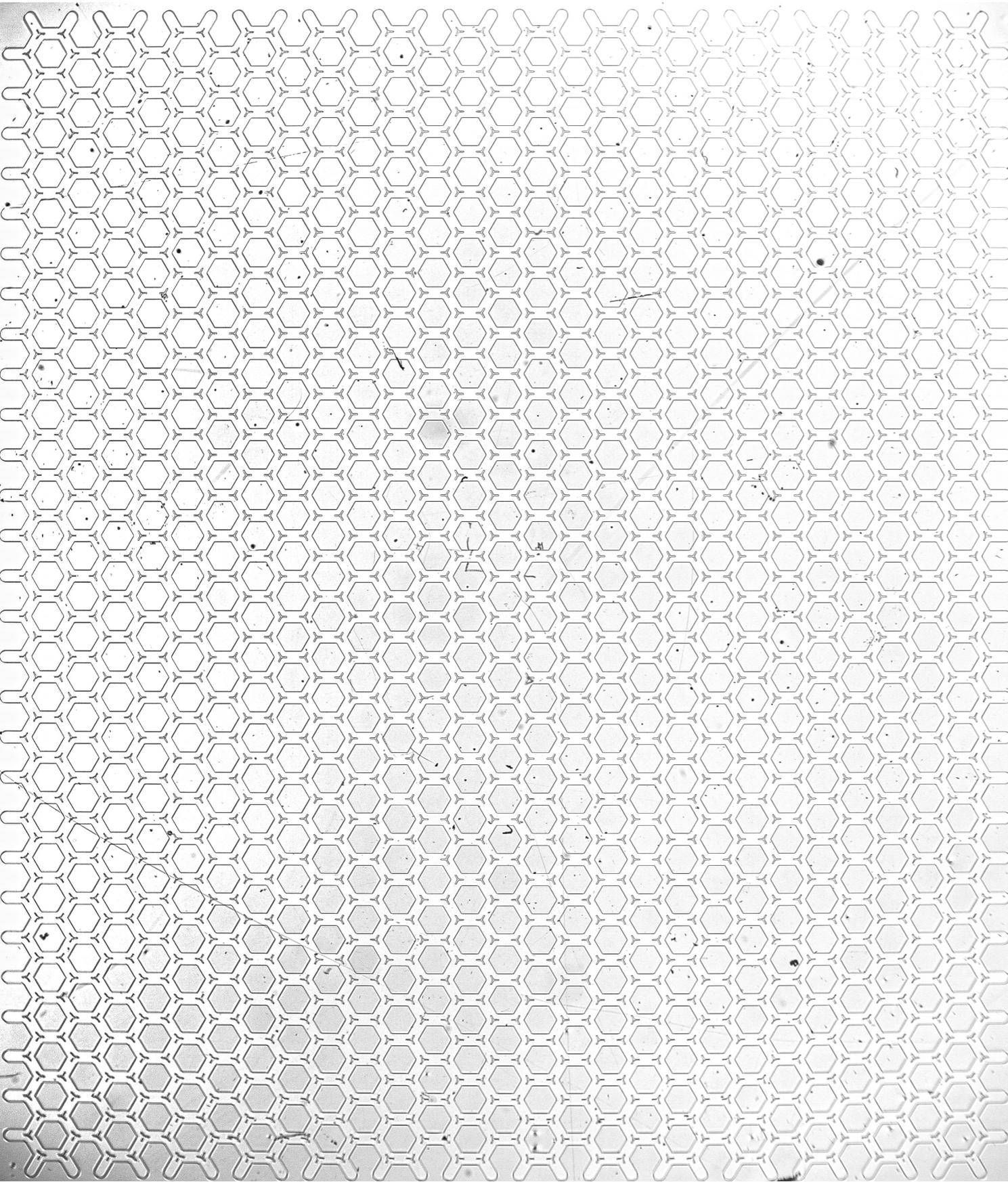


Trivalent Units



Network

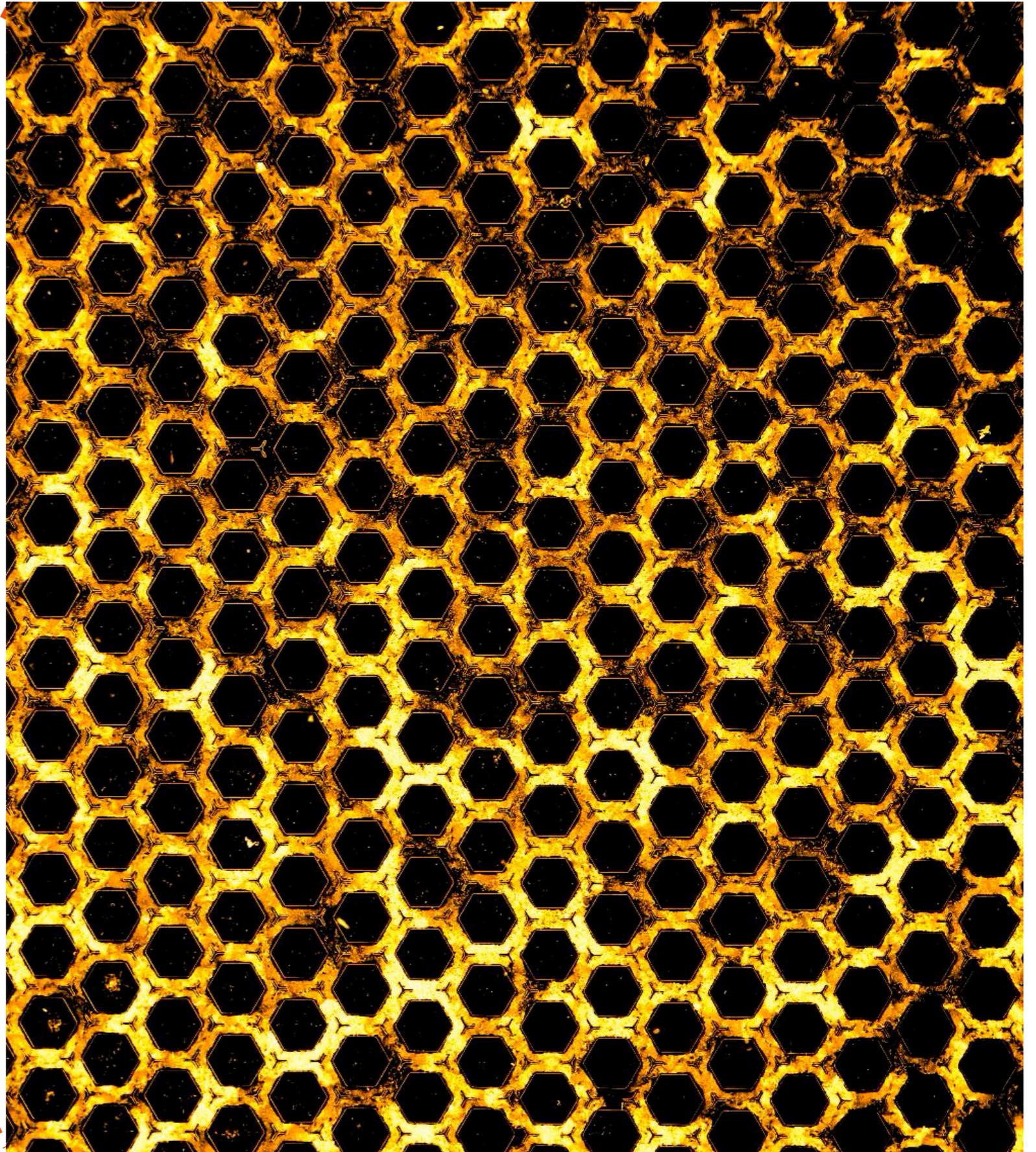
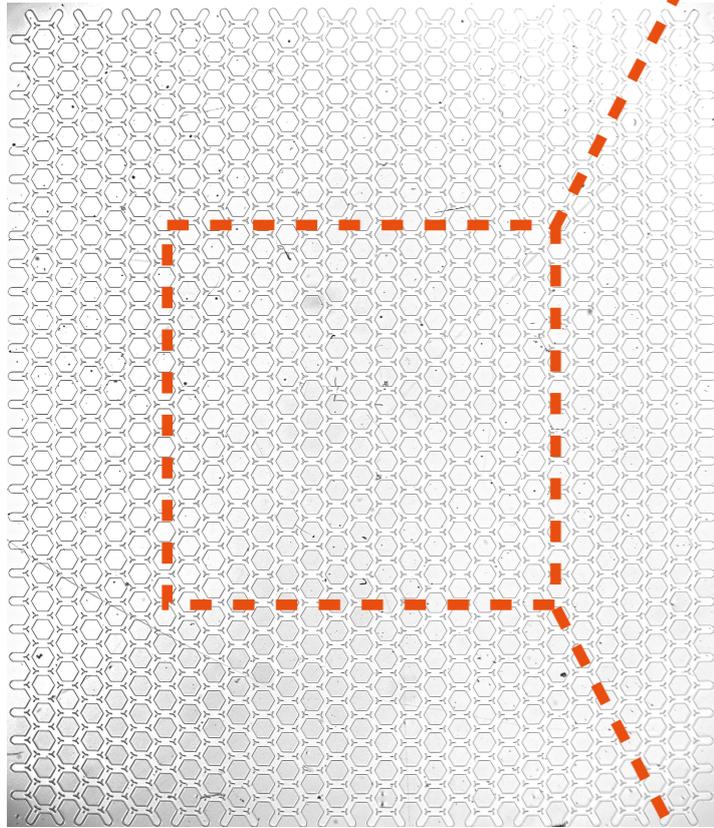
Honeycomb Lattice



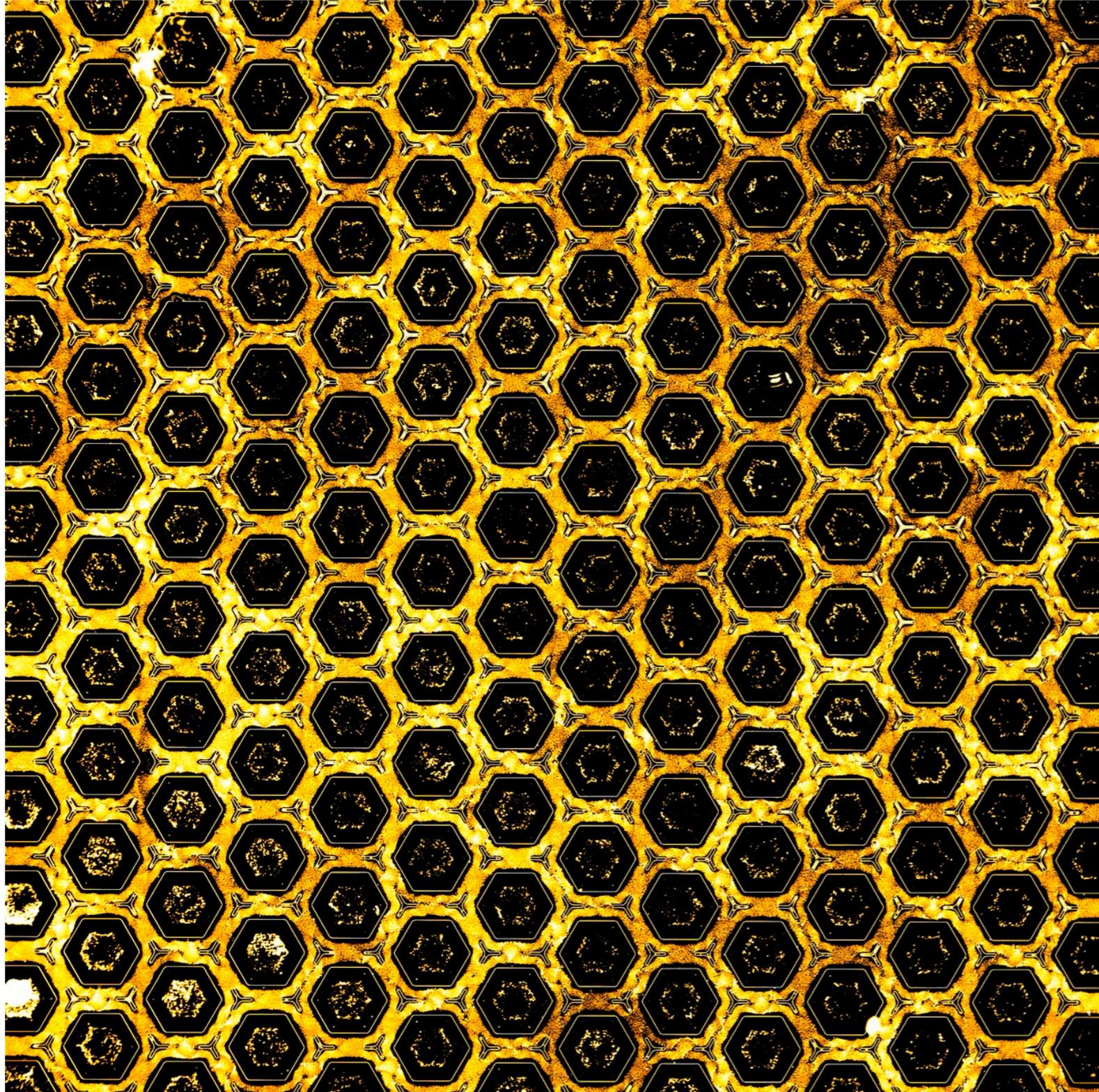
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Aspect ratio: 0.7 – 1.7

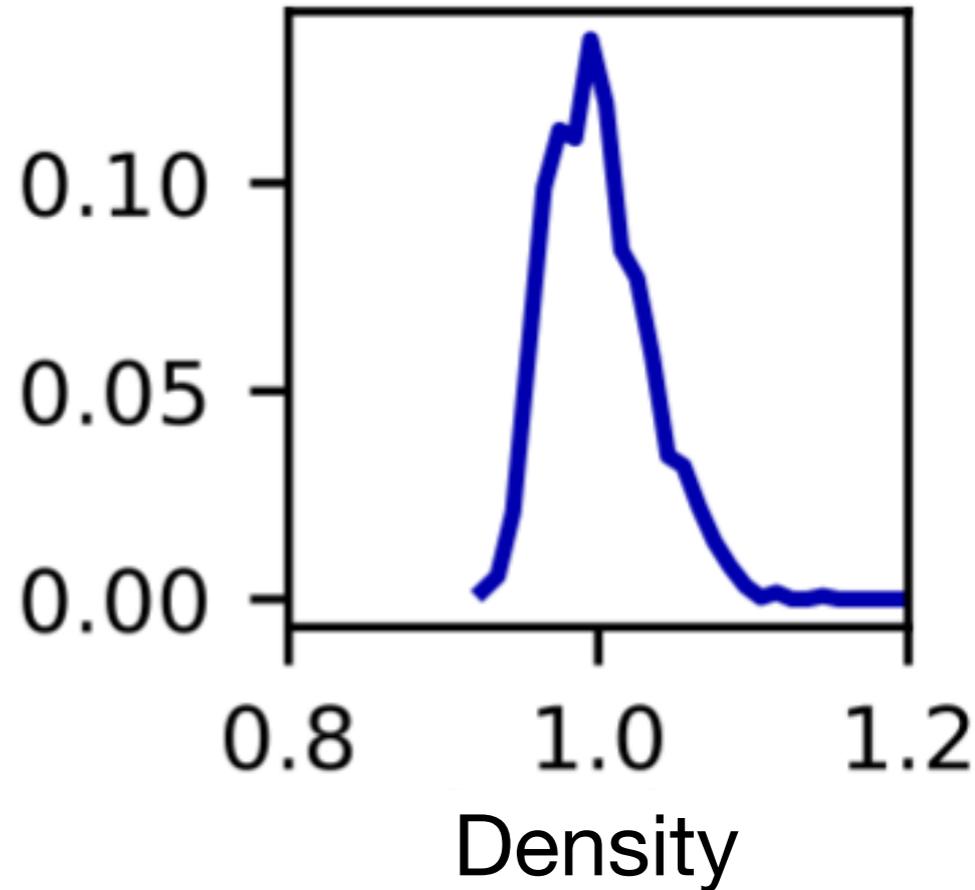
Colloidal Roller Fluid



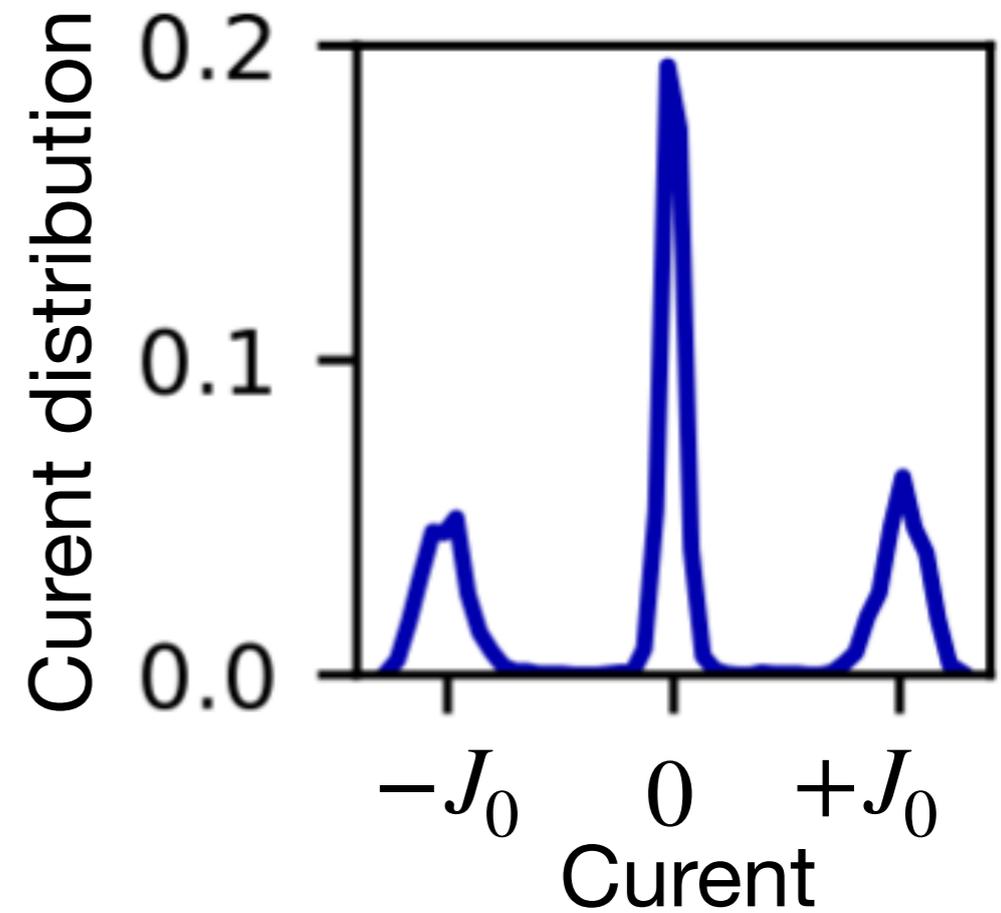
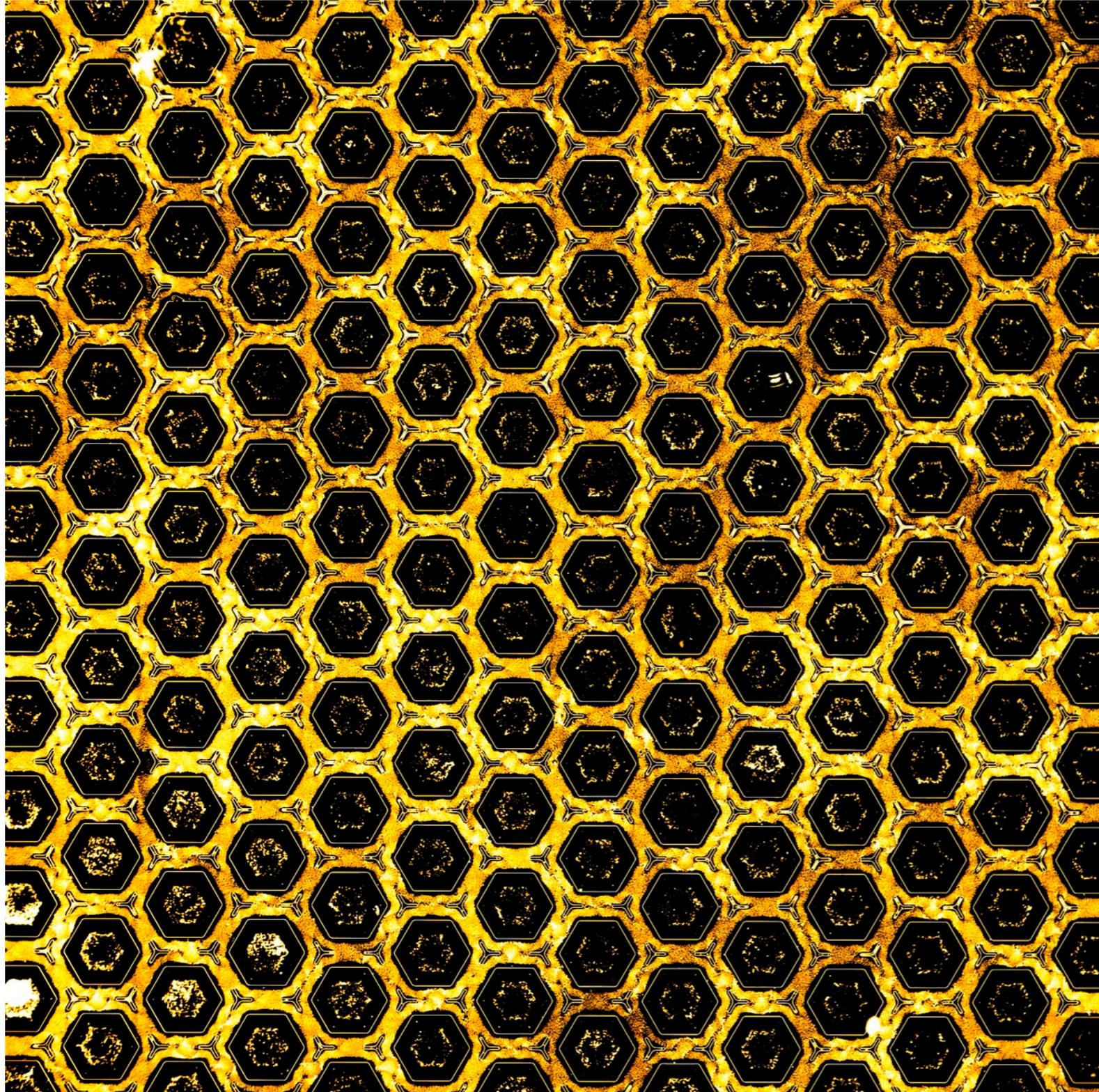
Steady state: Uniform packing fraction



Density distribution

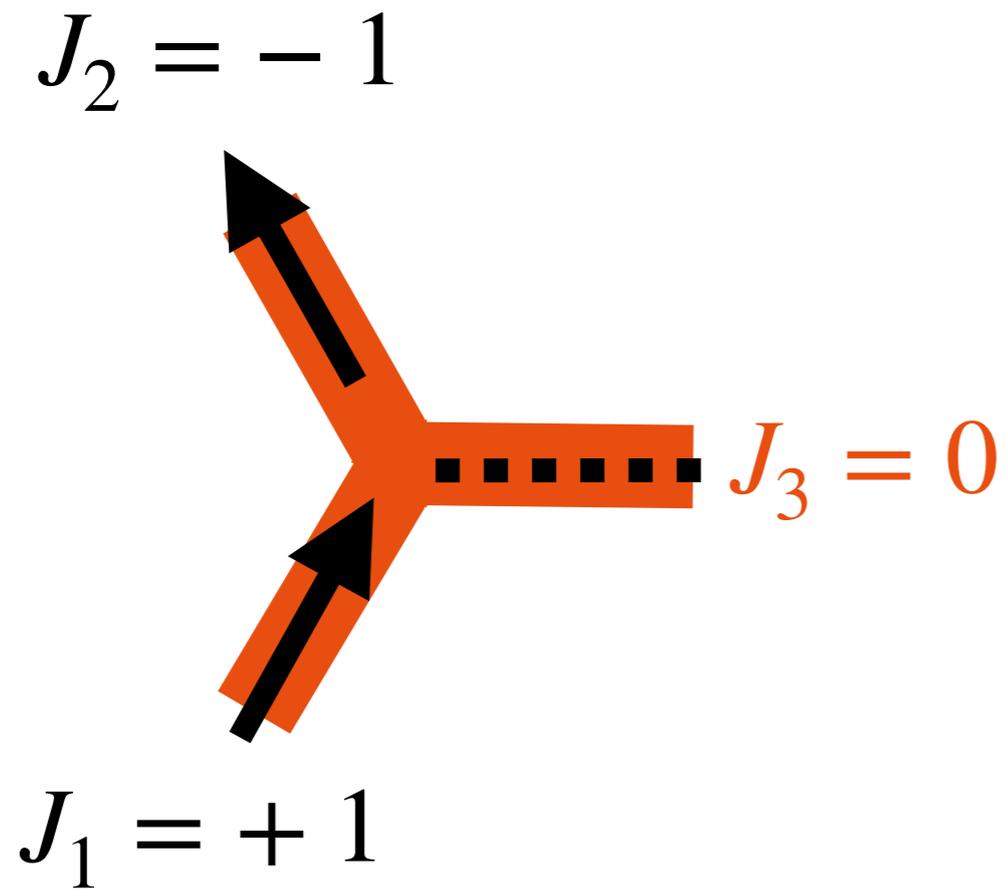


Steady state: Current statistics



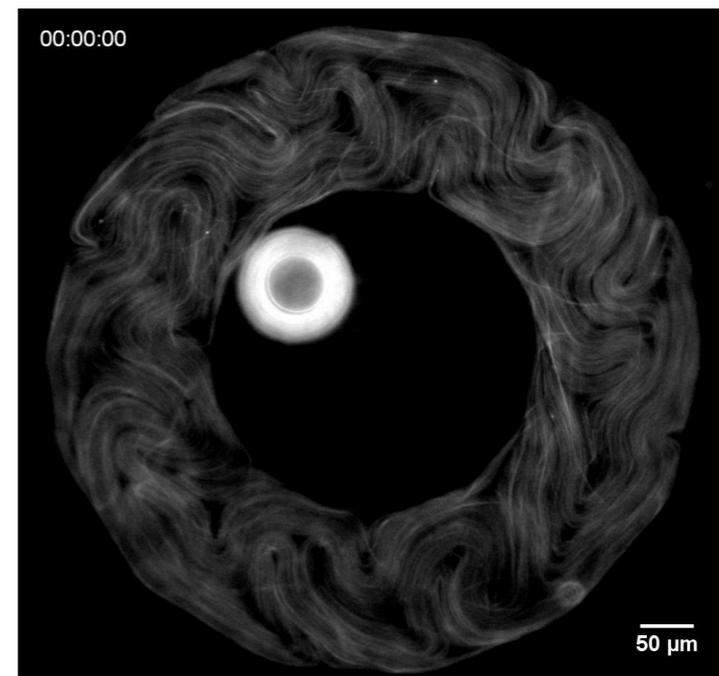
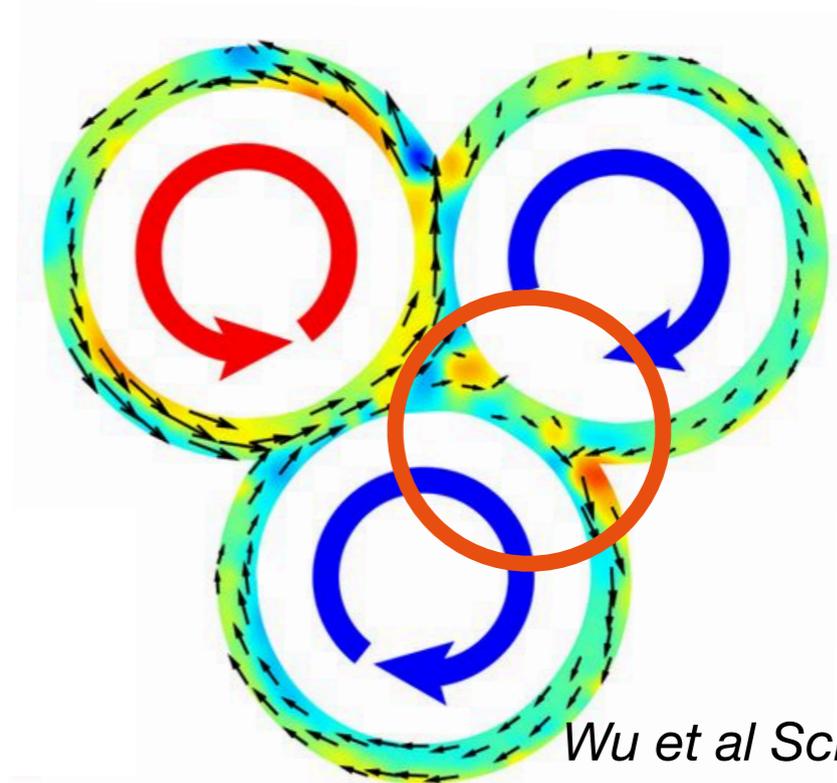
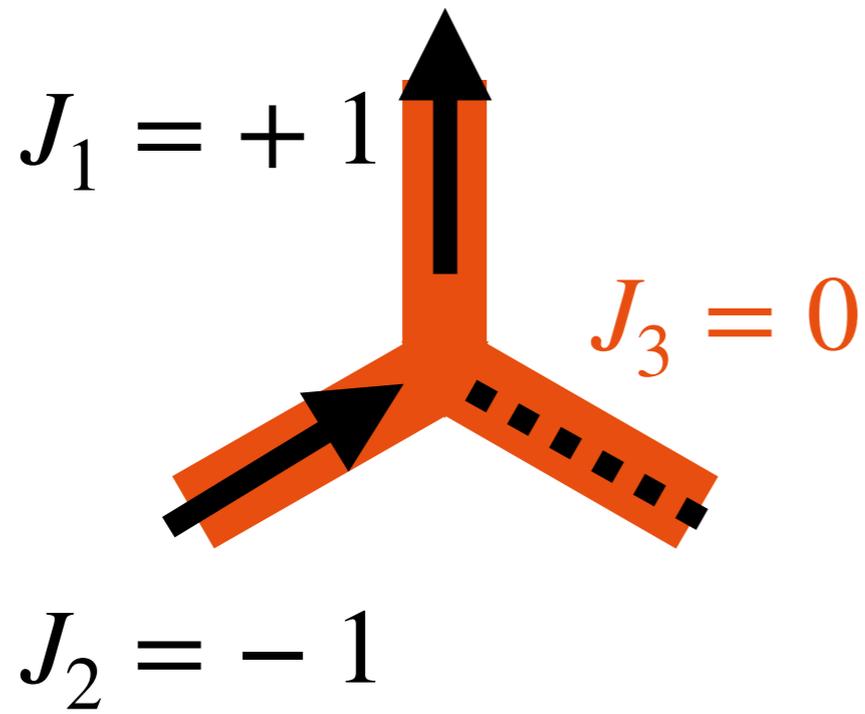
$$J_i \neq \pm J_0$$

Geometrical Frustration

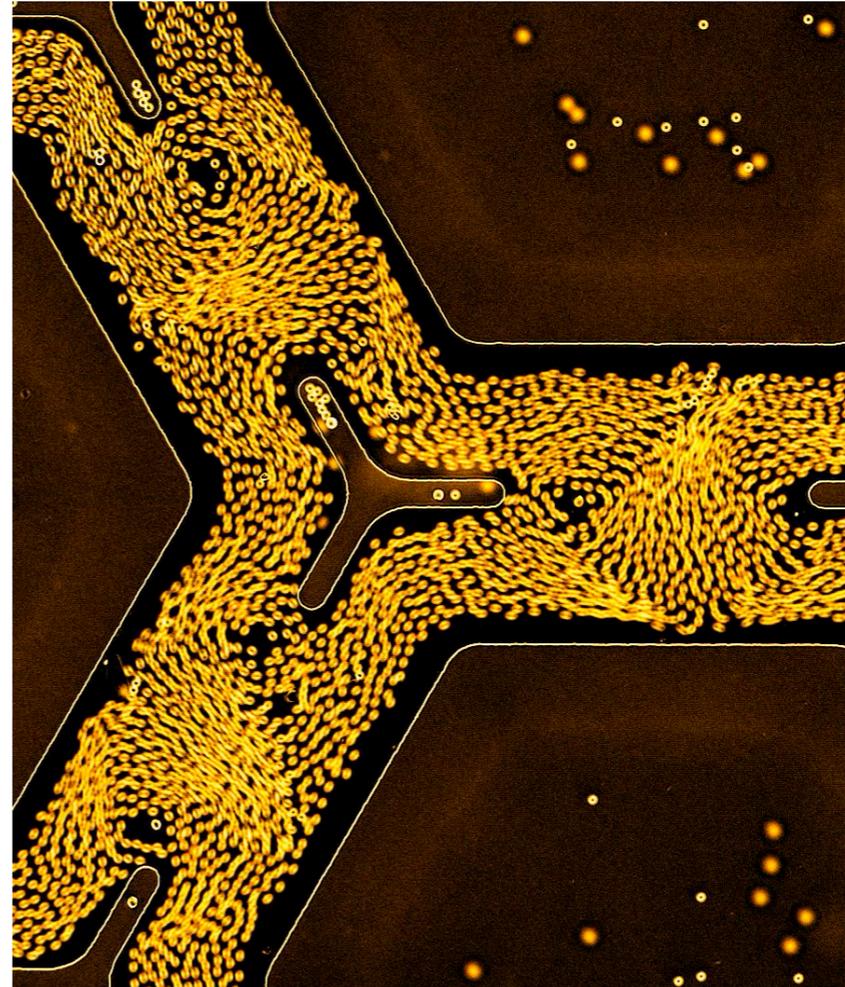
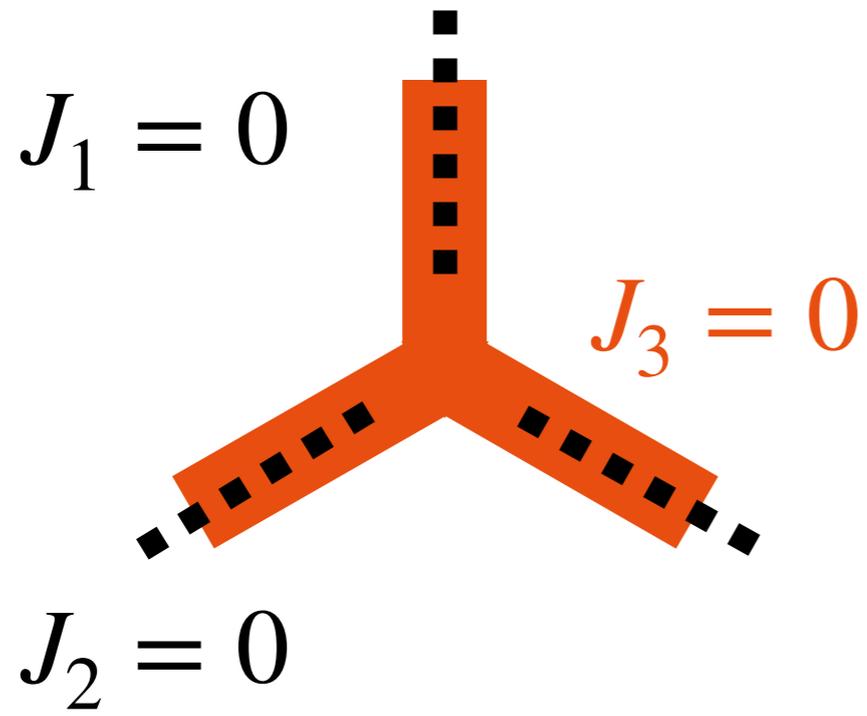


Activity forbids uniform laminar flows

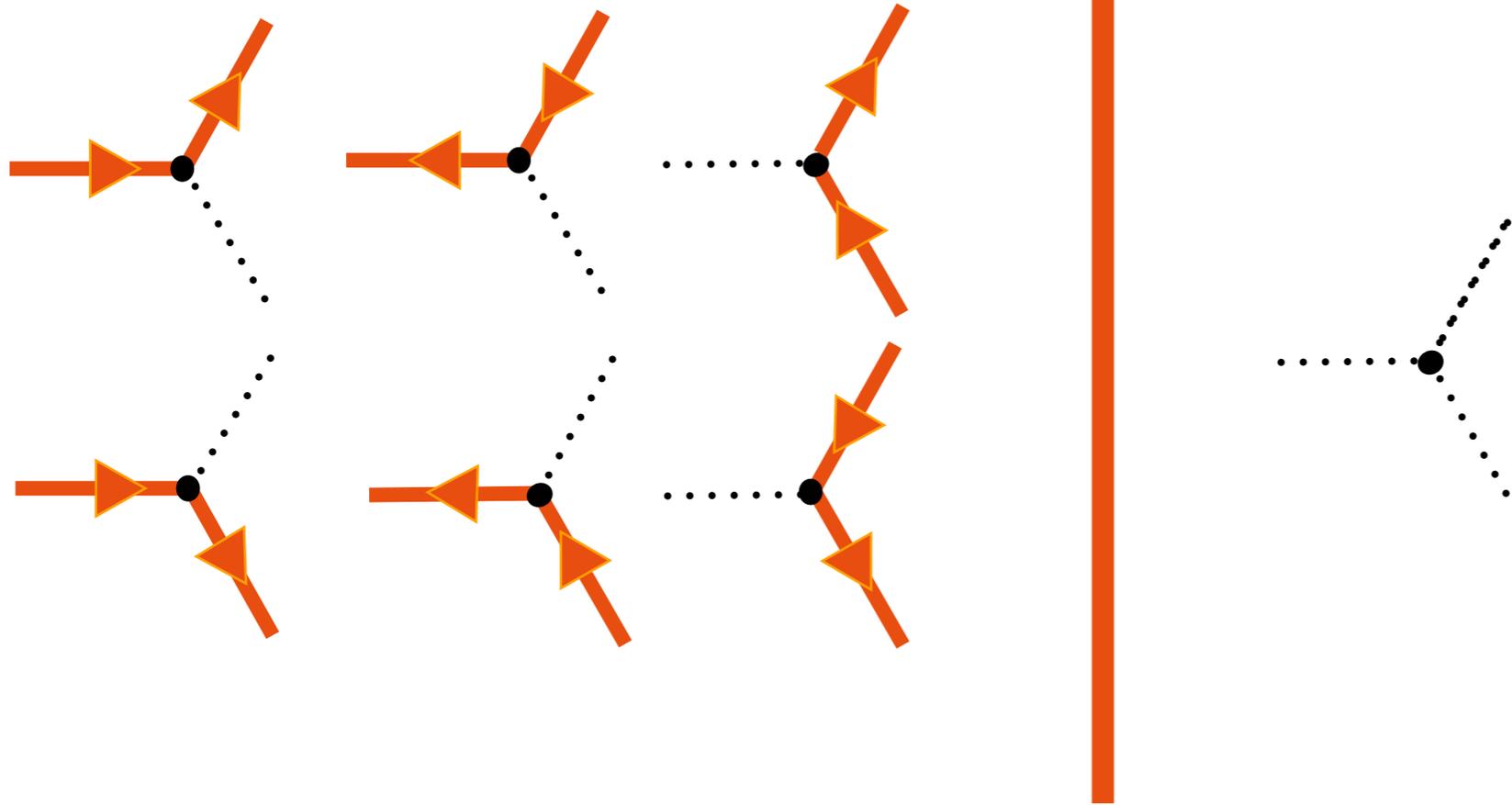
Geomerical Frustration



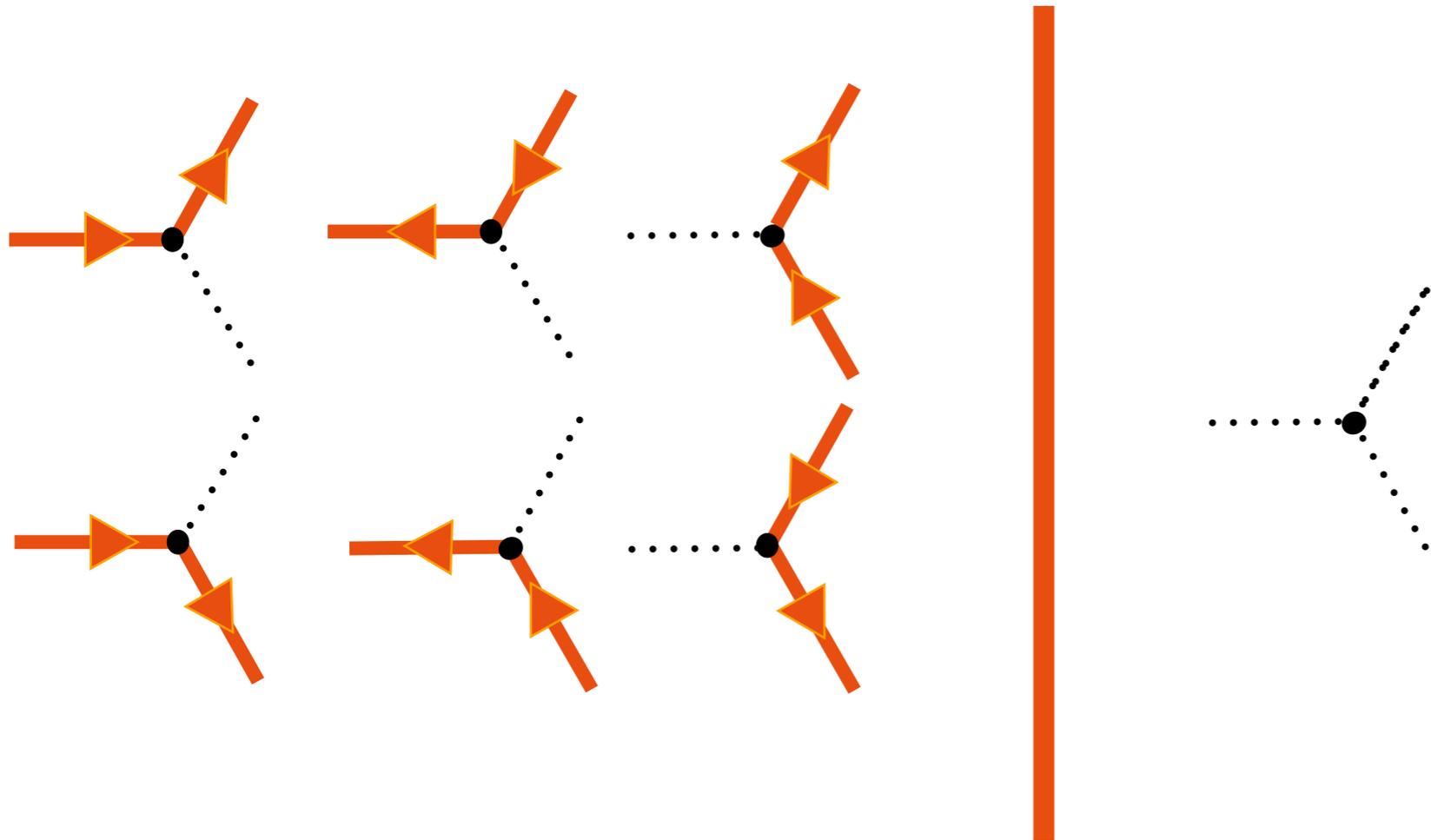
Geomerical Frustration



Seven vertex configurations

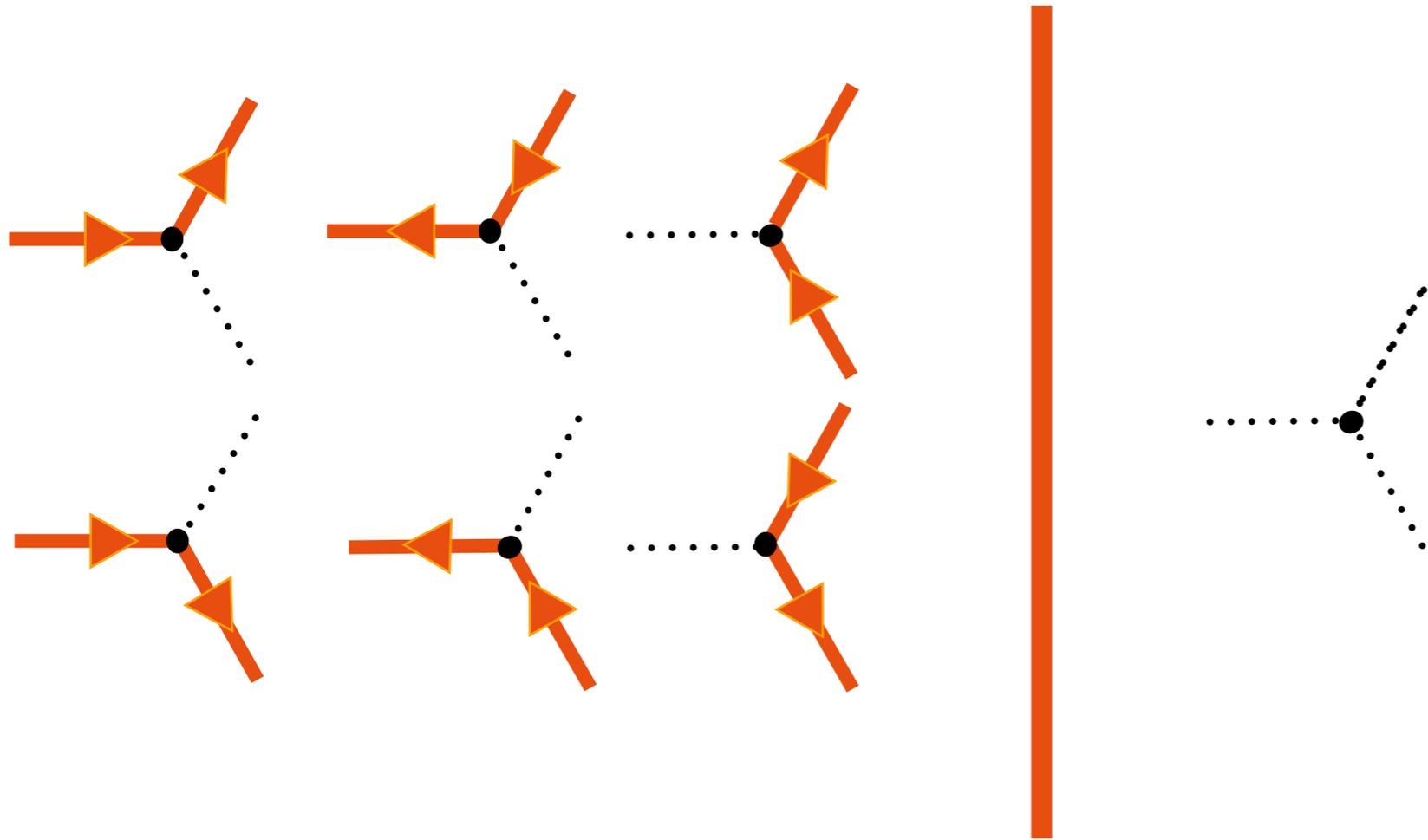


Active Fluidic Network Theory



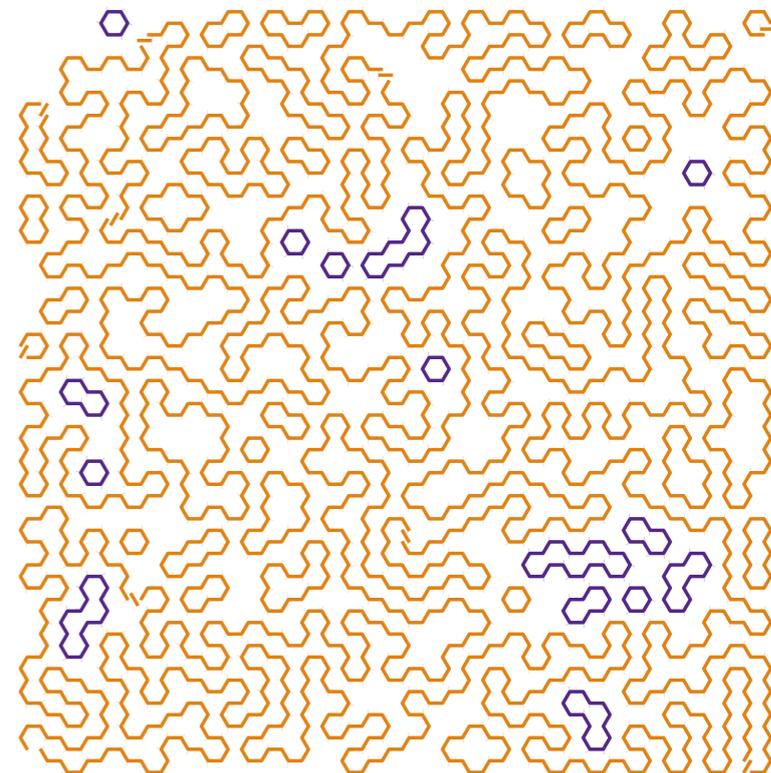
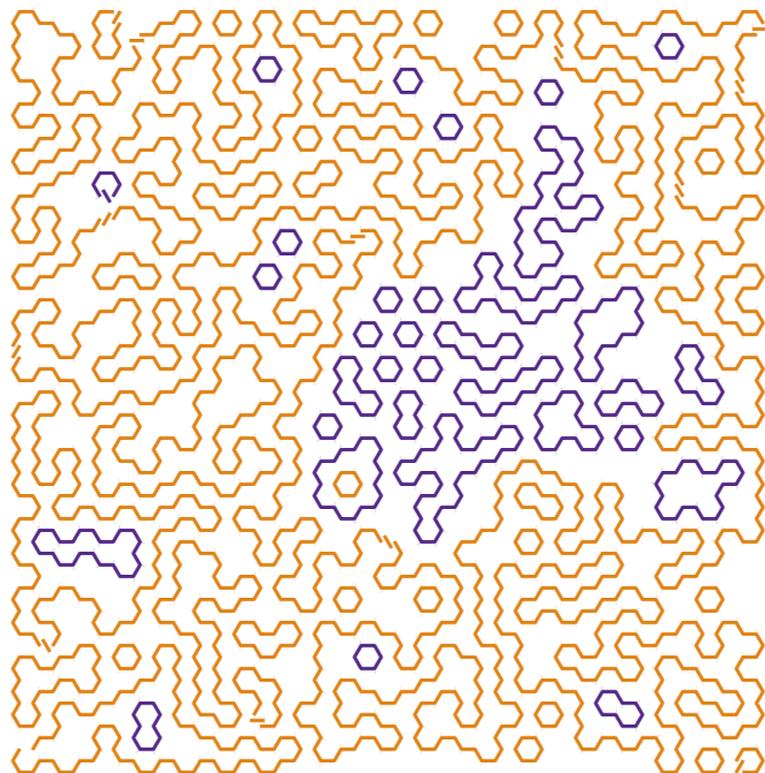
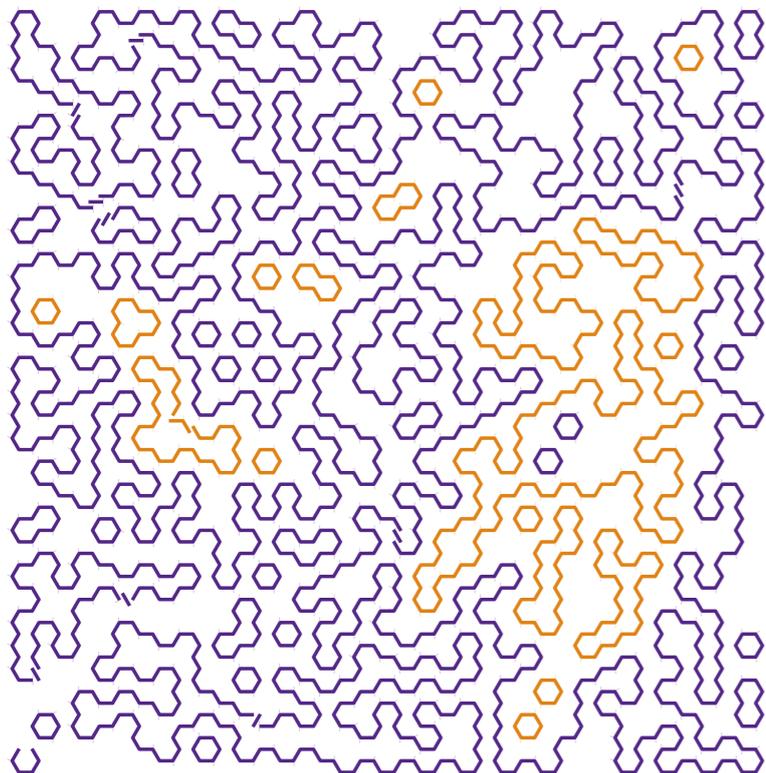
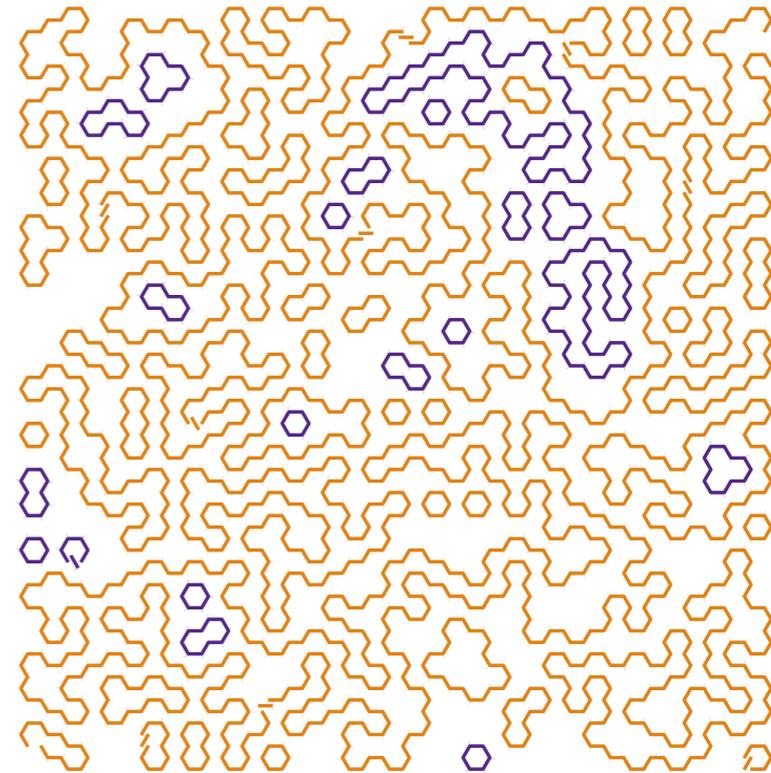
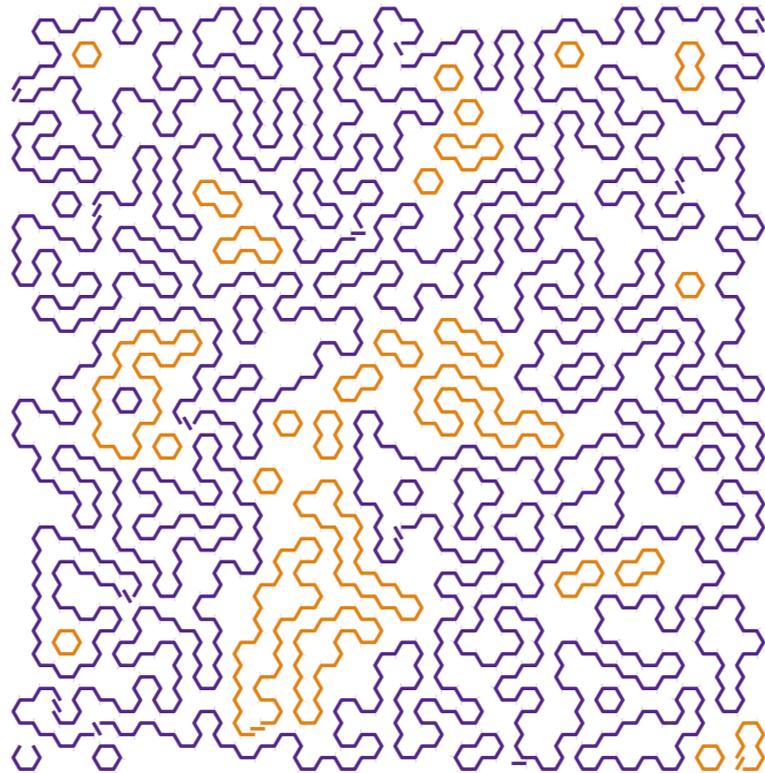
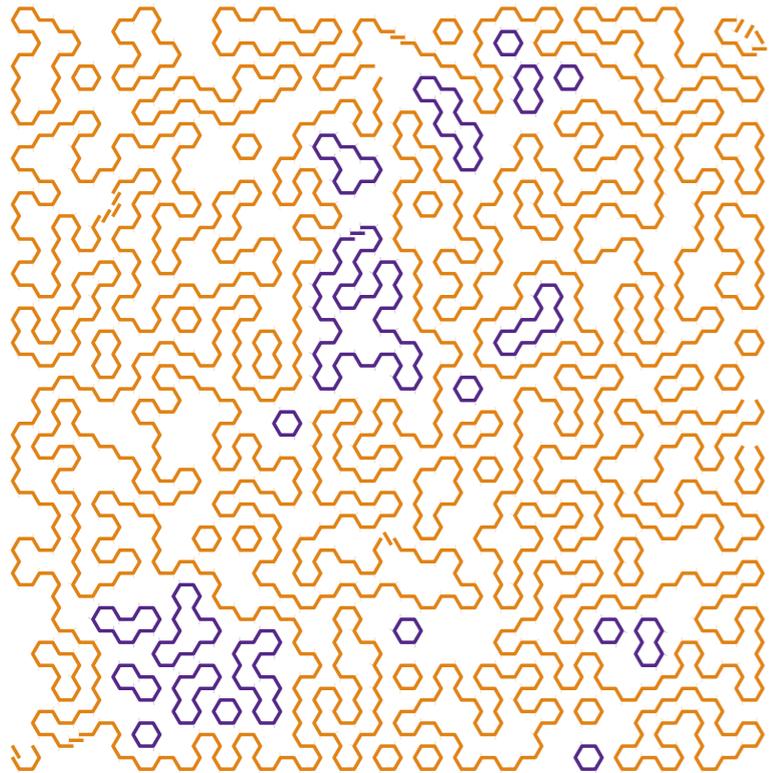
F. Woodhouse and J. Dunkel

Seven vertex configurations



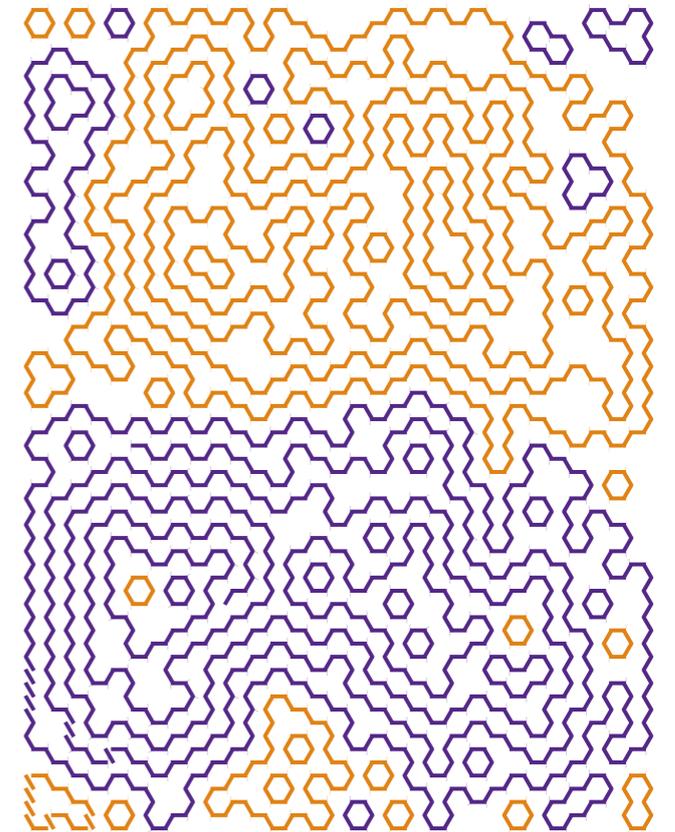
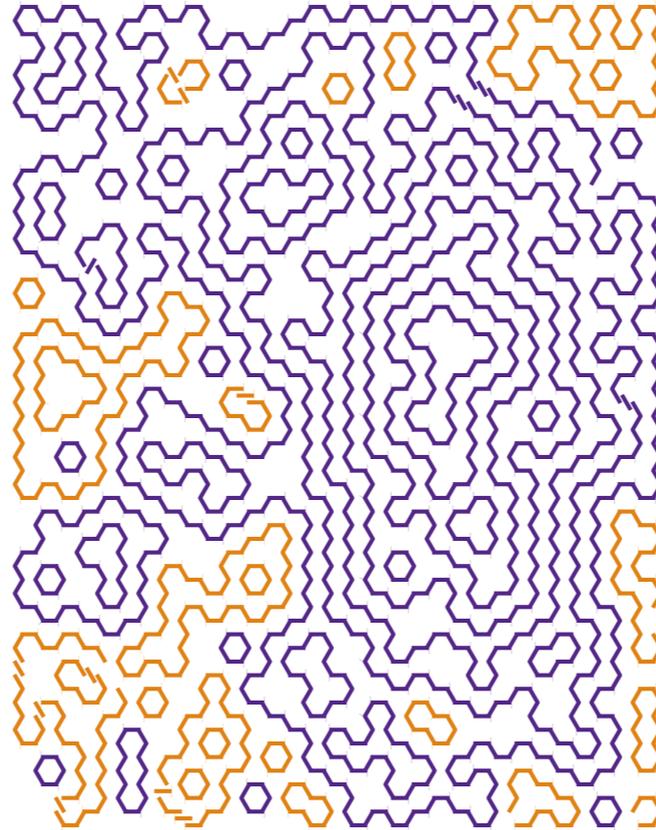
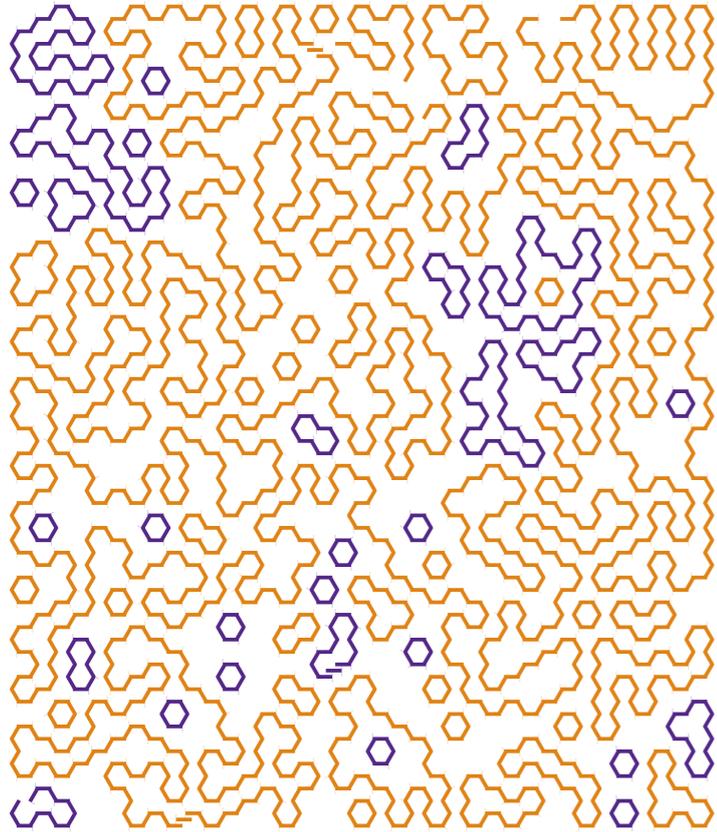
Generators of self-avoiding random walks

Streamlines: Self-avoiding loops



Steady state degeneracy

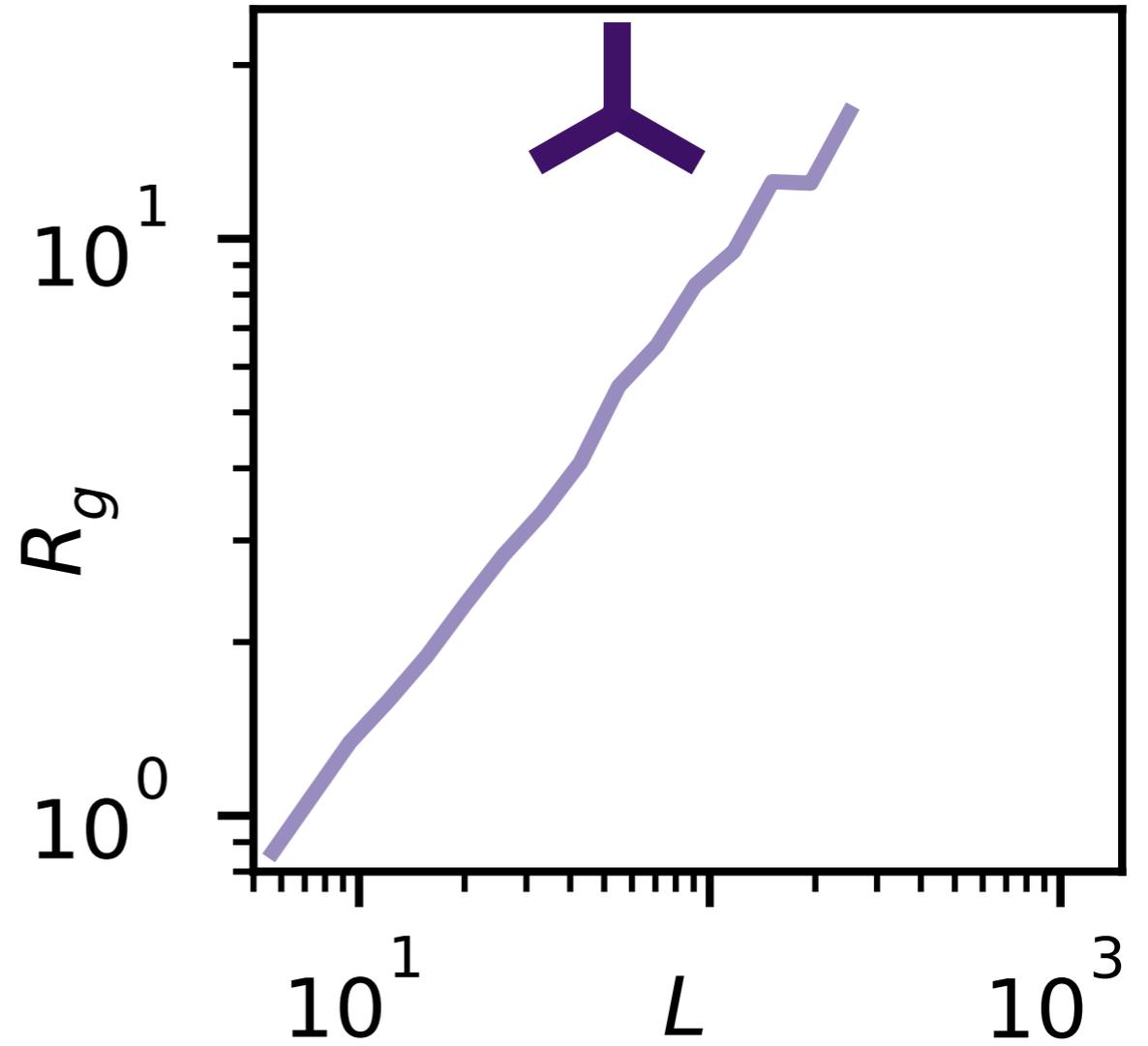
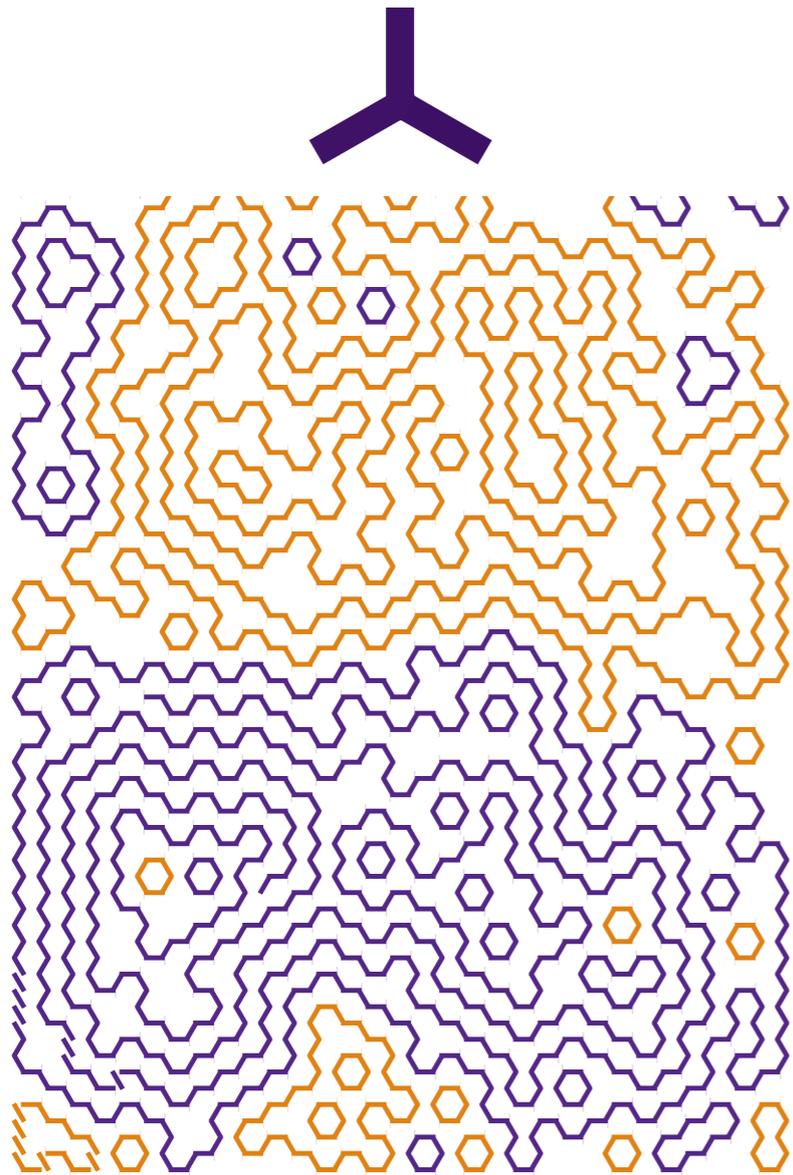
Impact of the channel geometry



Aspect ratio

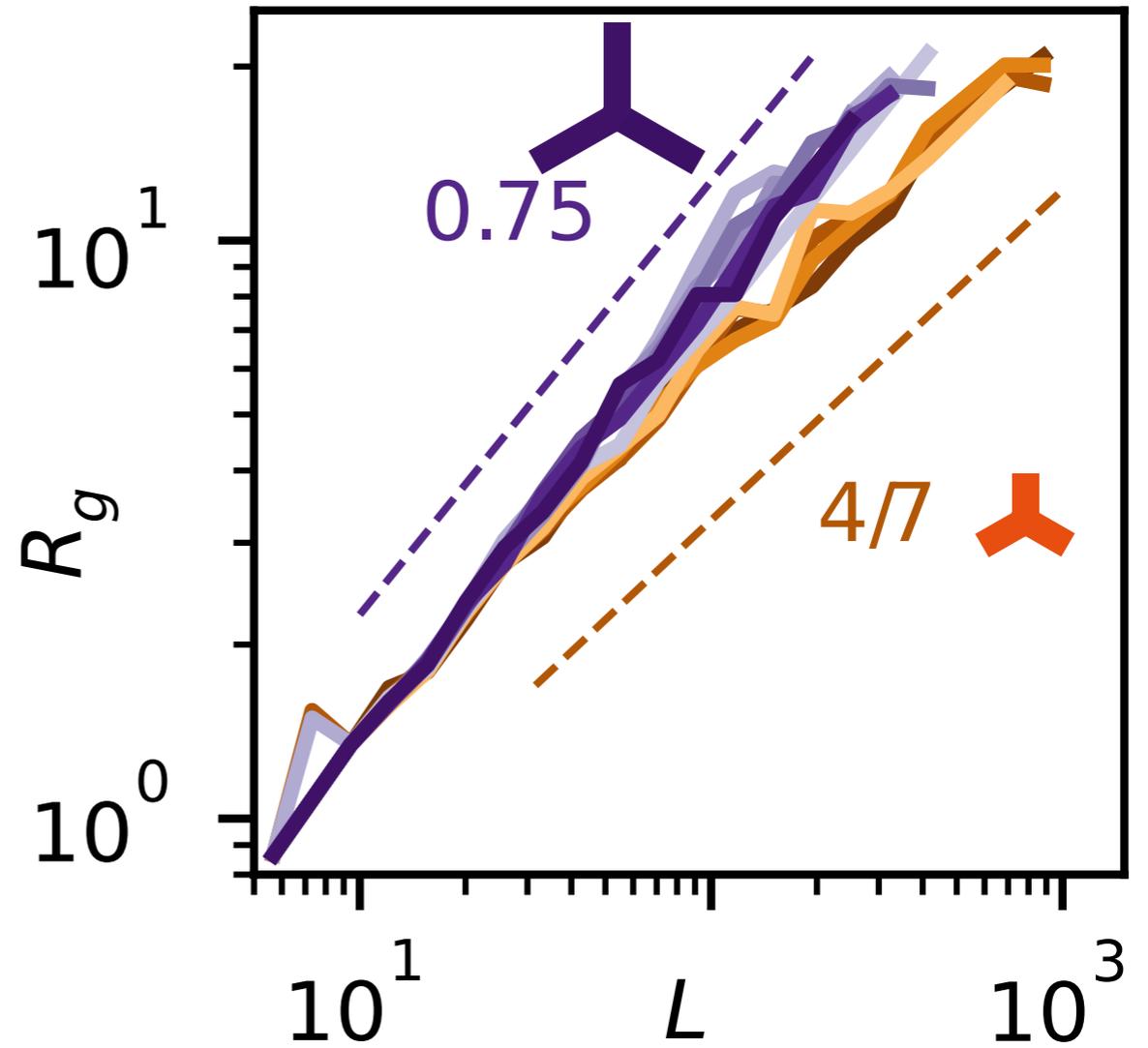
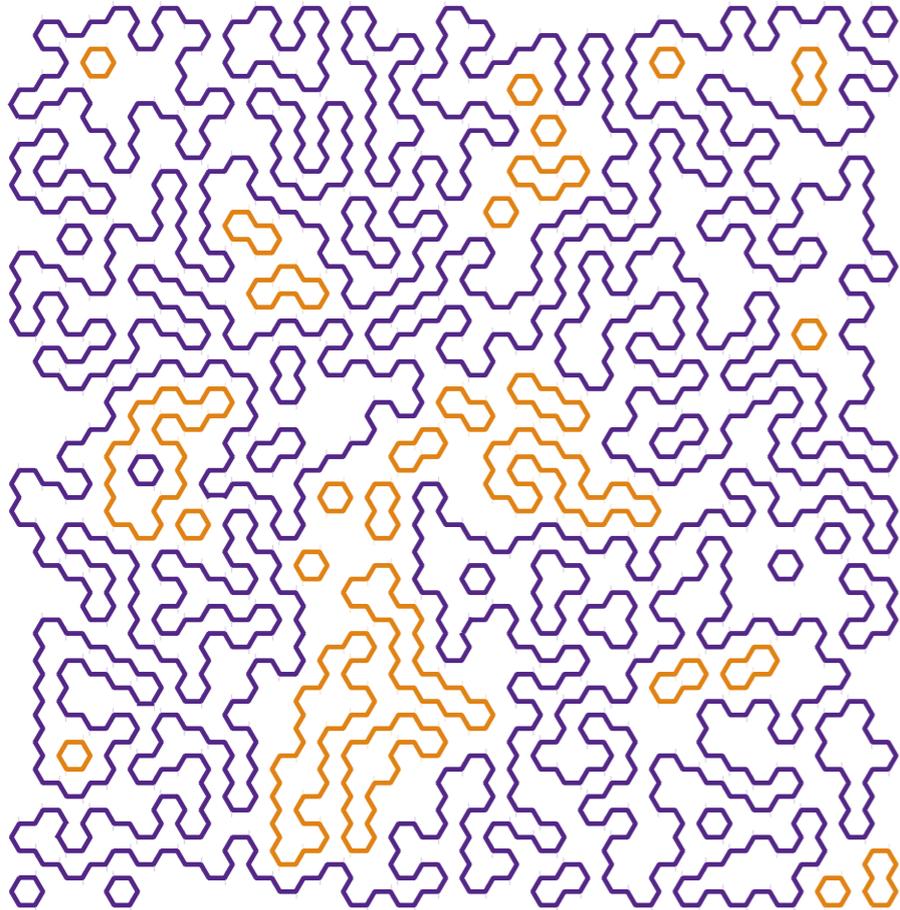
Structural change

Gyration radius



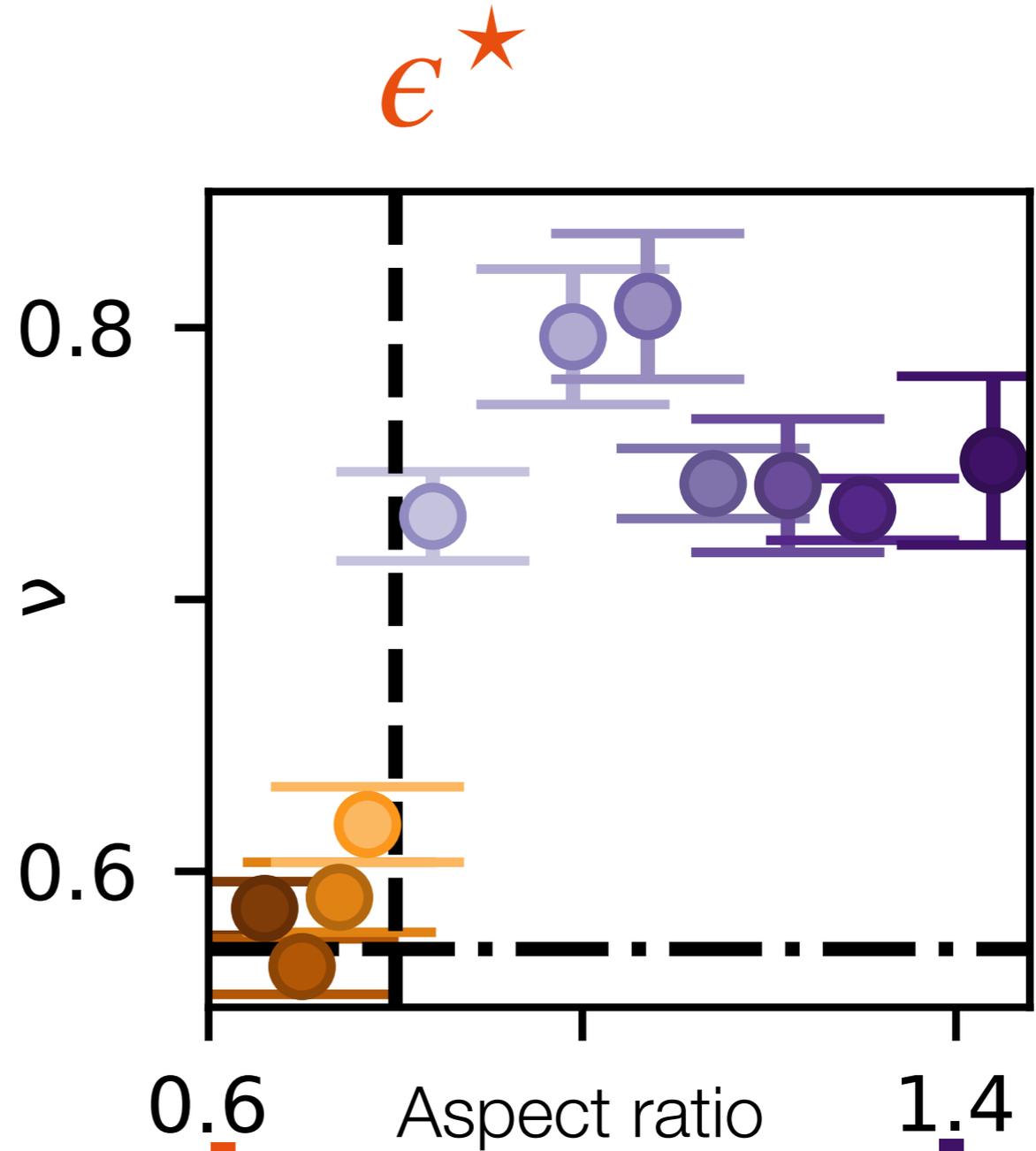
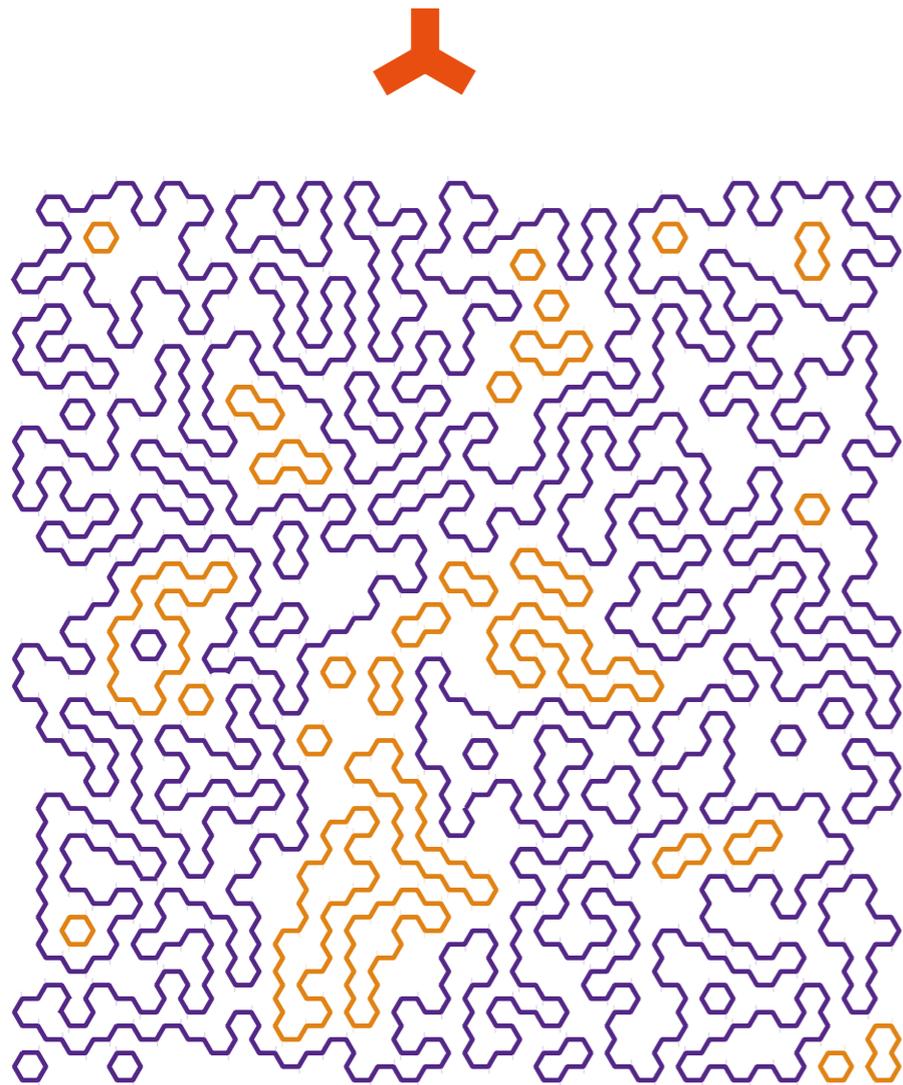
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Gyration radius



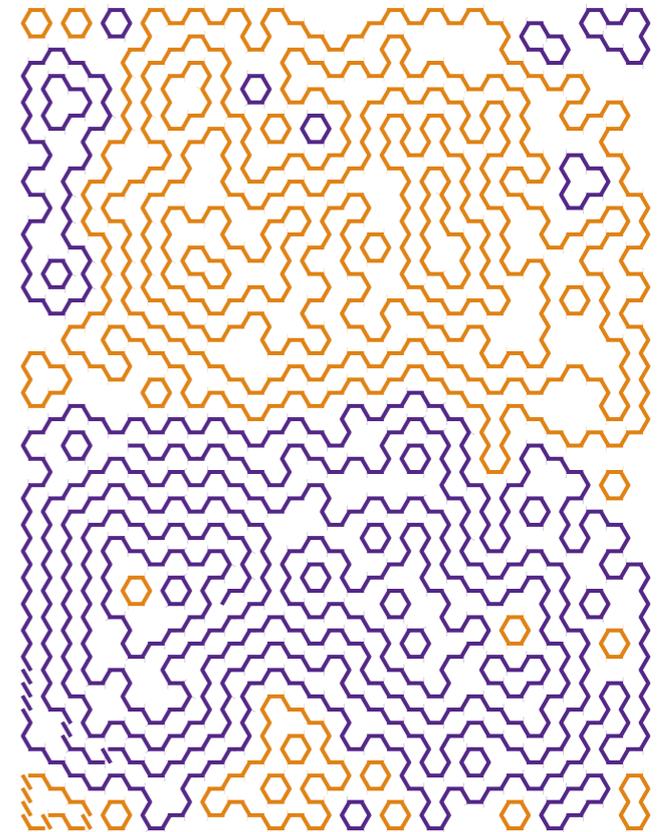
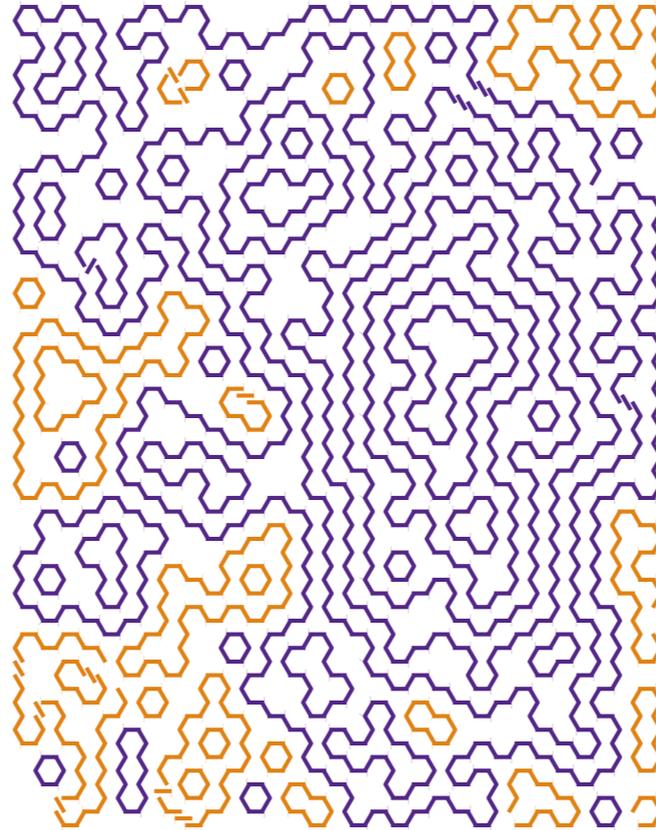
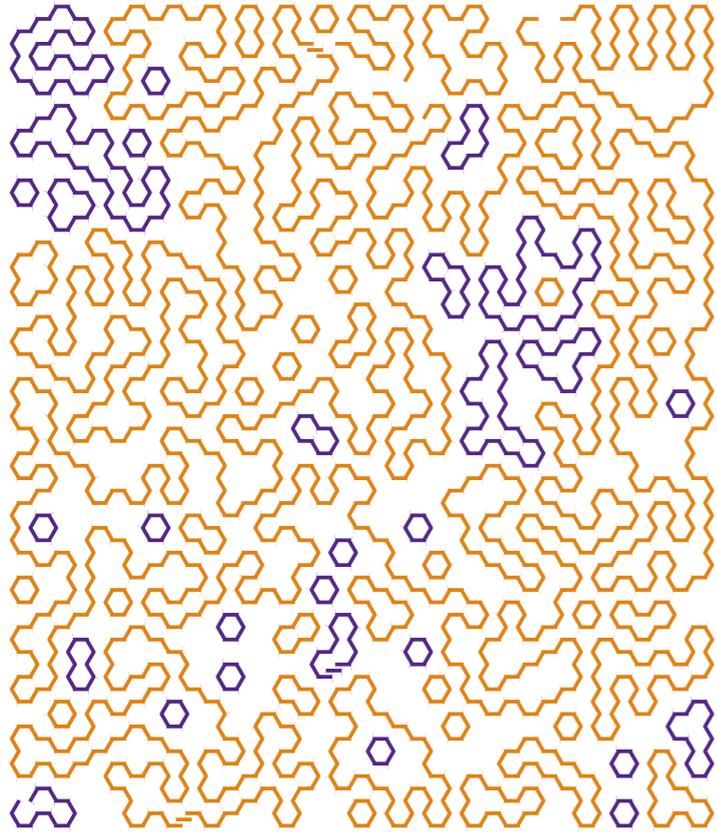
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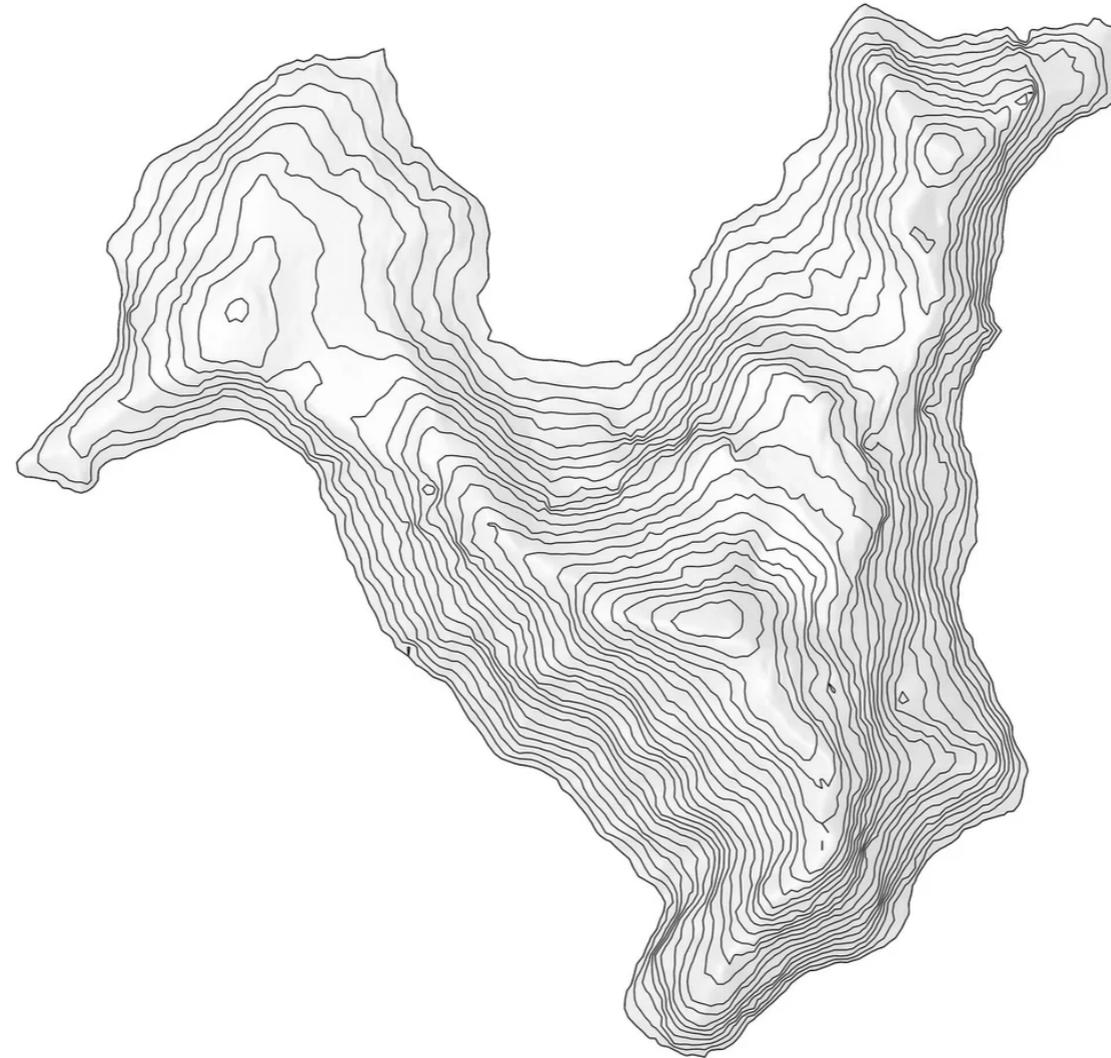
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Segregated vs nested loops



Aspect ratio

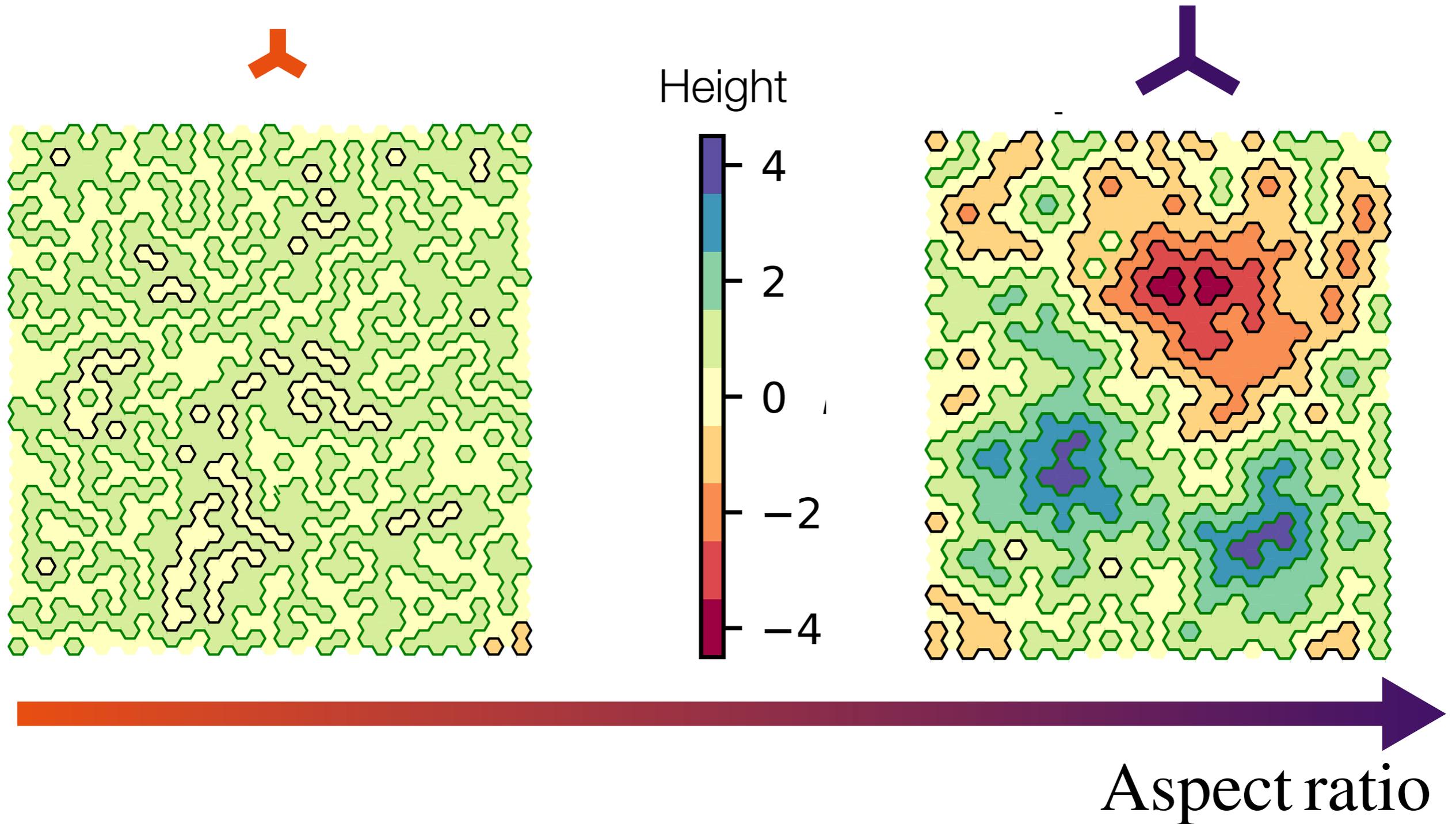
Steamlines as a landscape's contour map



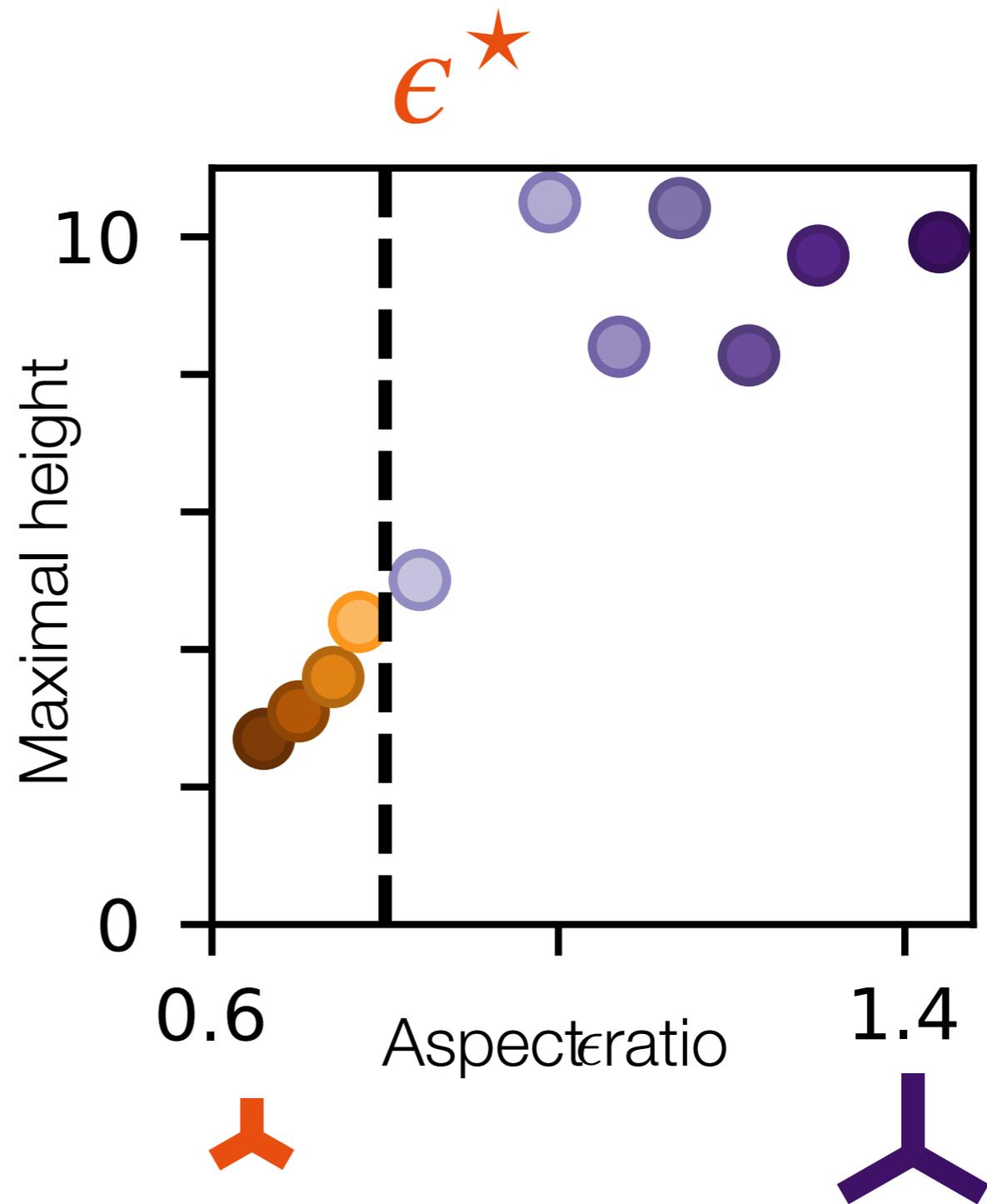
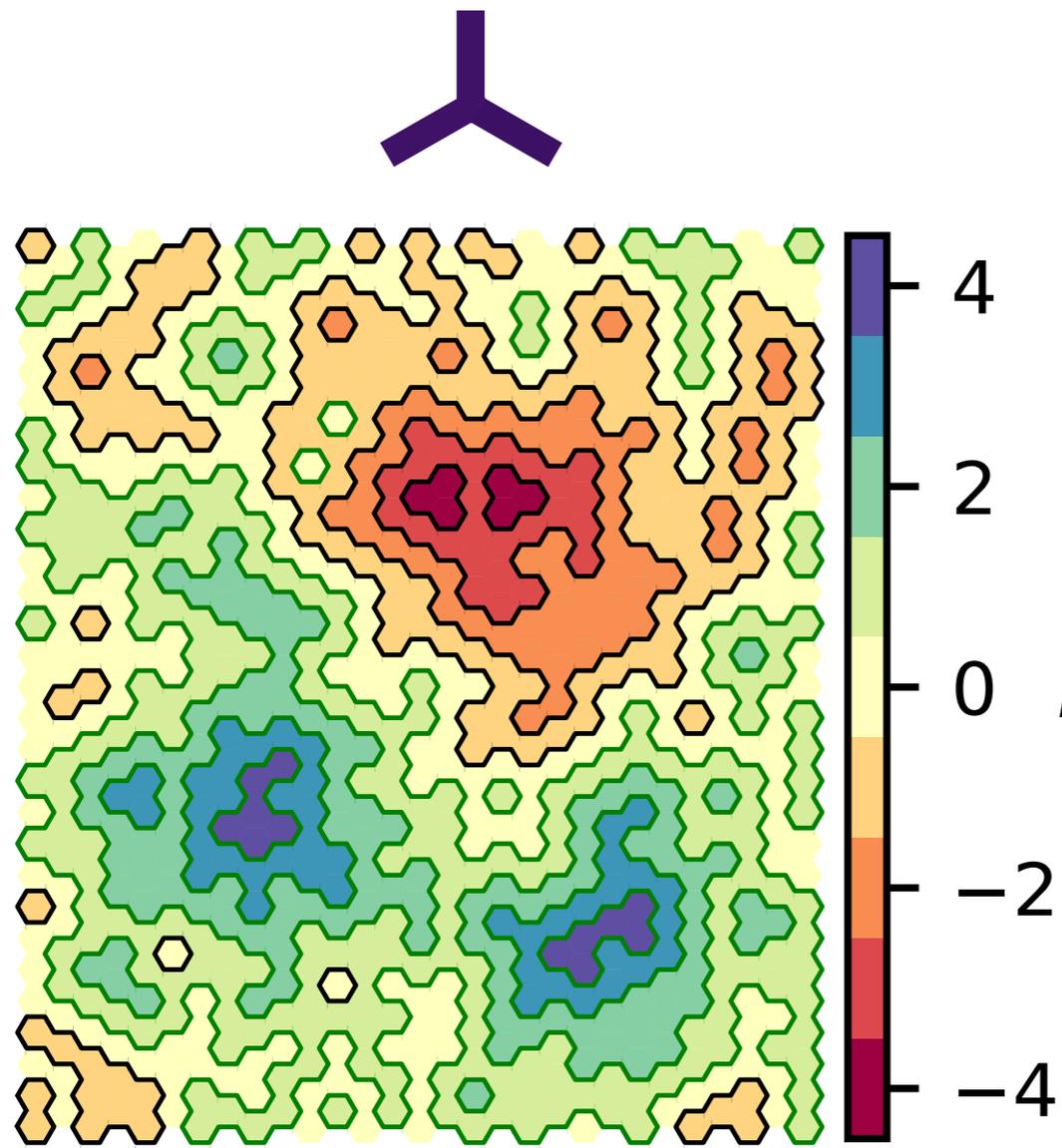
Mont Blanc

4,808m | 15,777ft

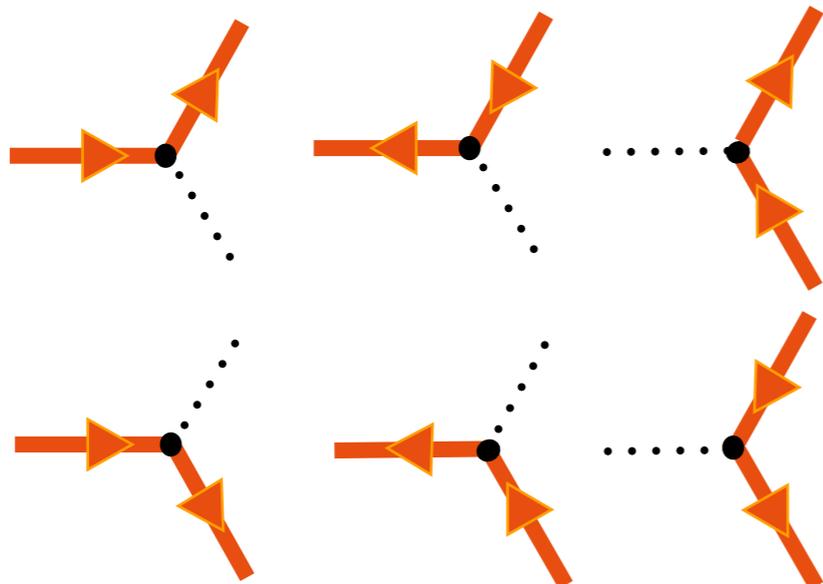
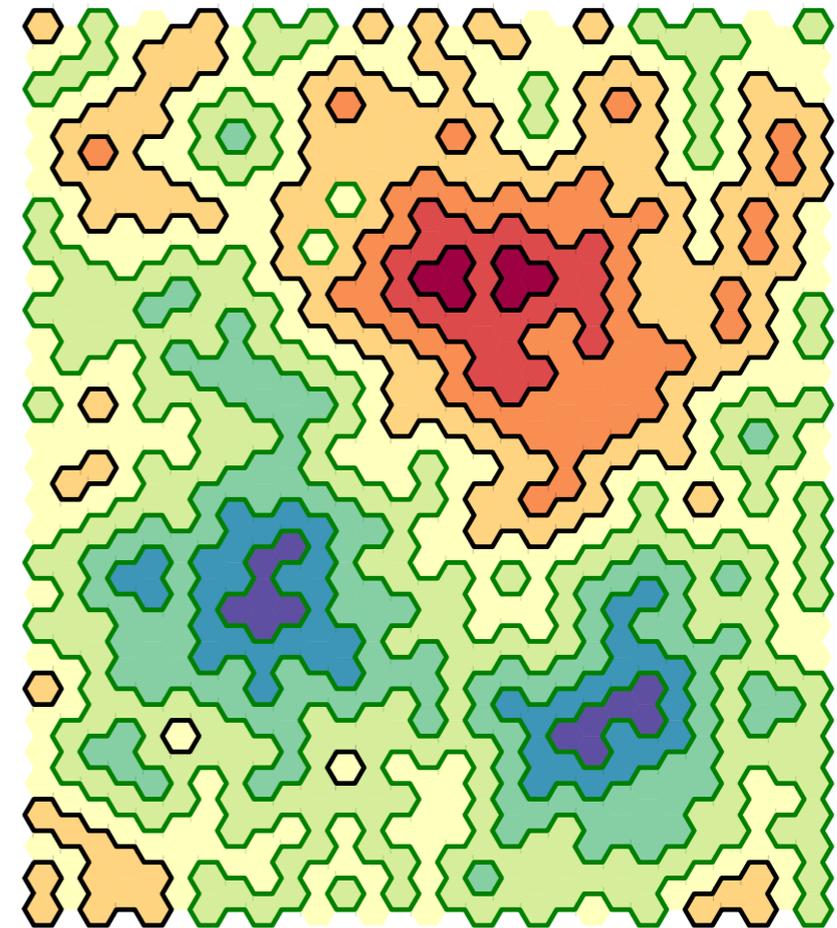
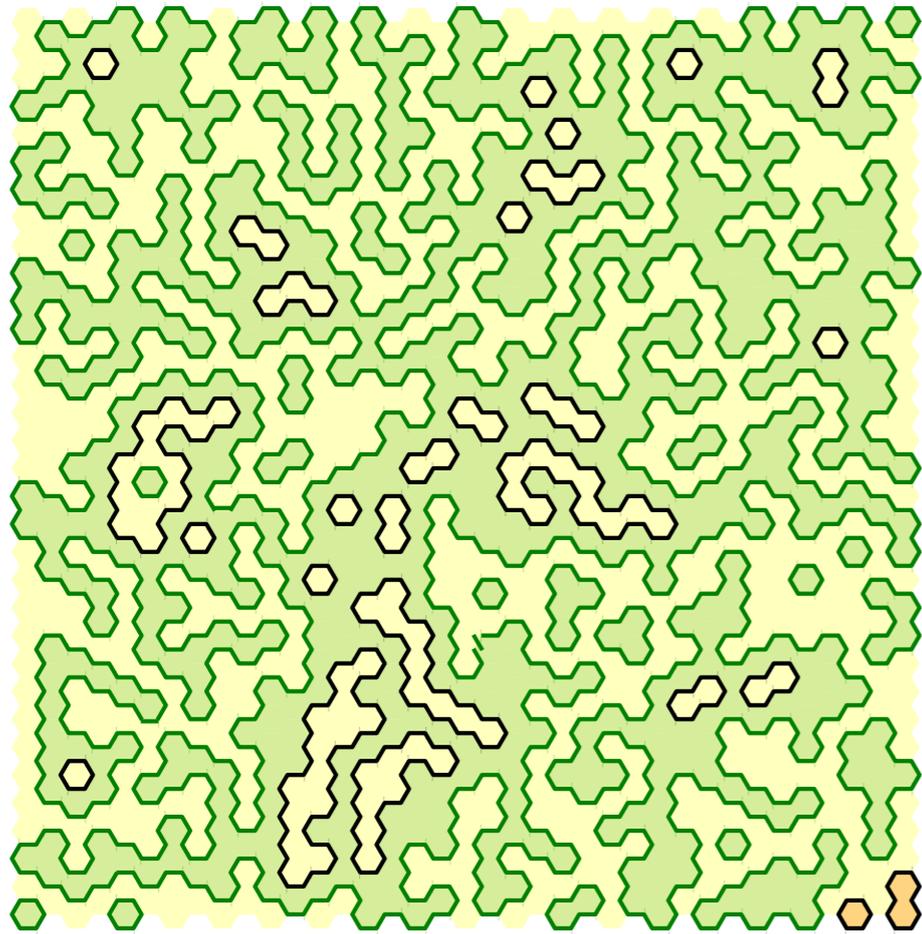
Steamlines as a contour map



Nesting Increases



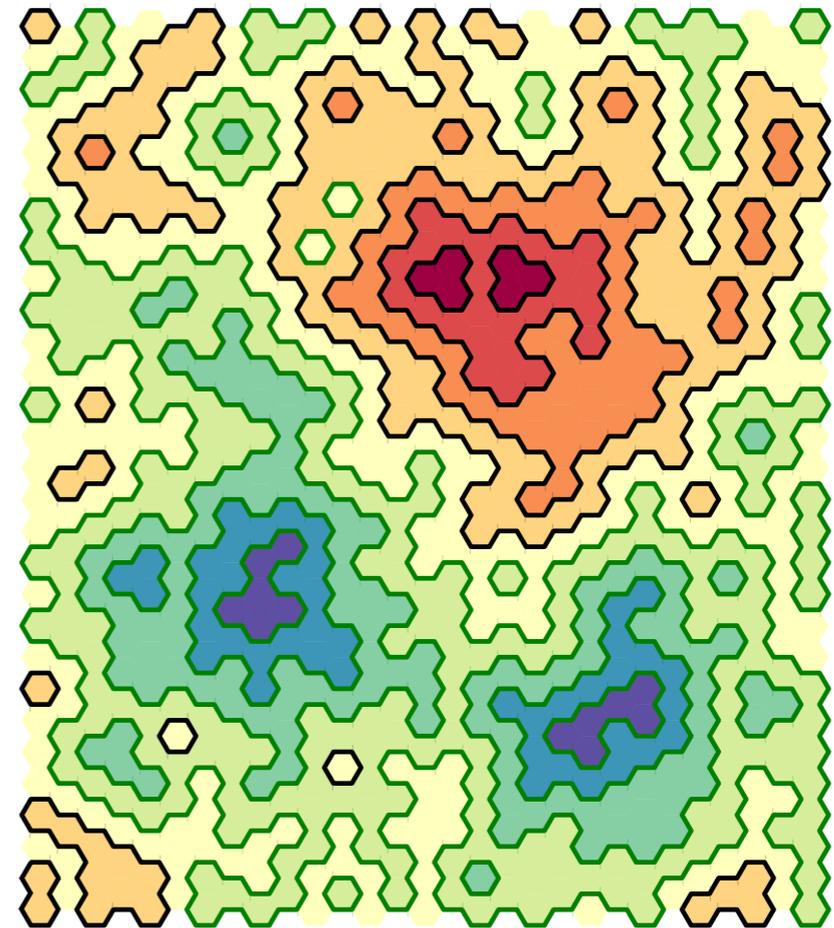
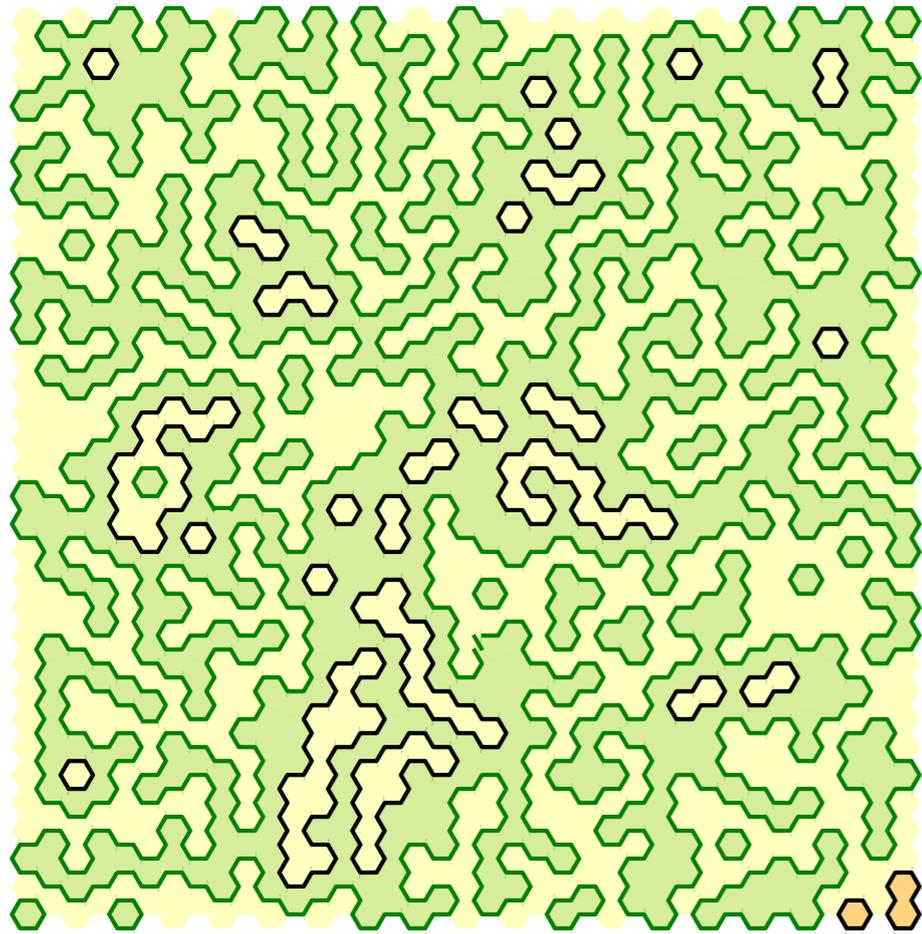
Structural Diversity ??



Agnostic to the channels' geometry...

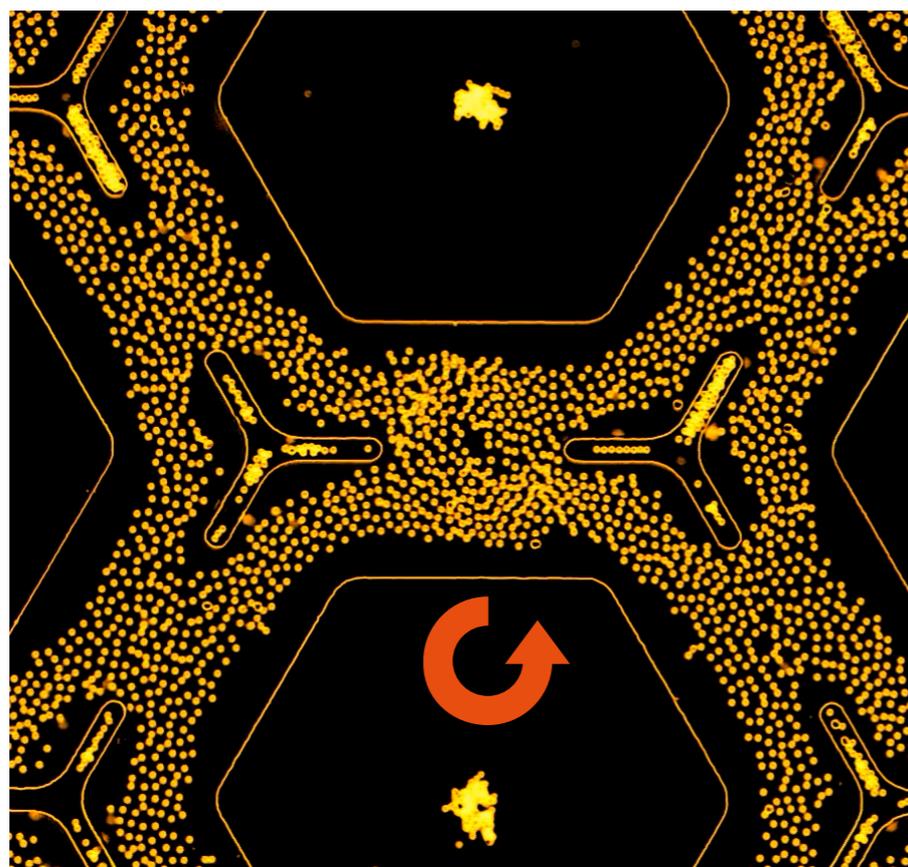
What's missing??

Structural Diversity ??



Interactions between stream lines

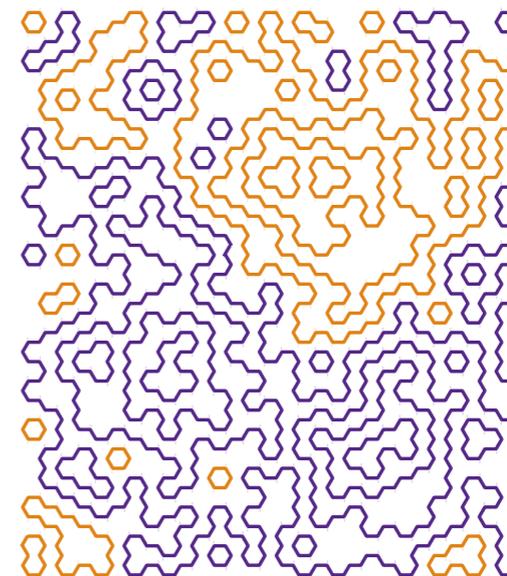
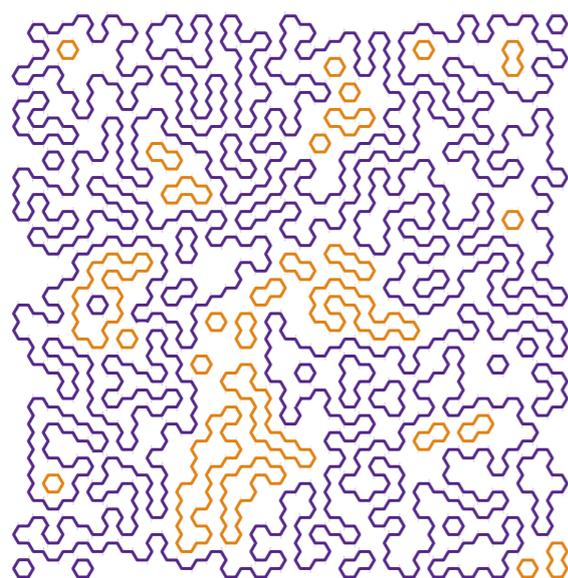
Structure of the zero-current channels



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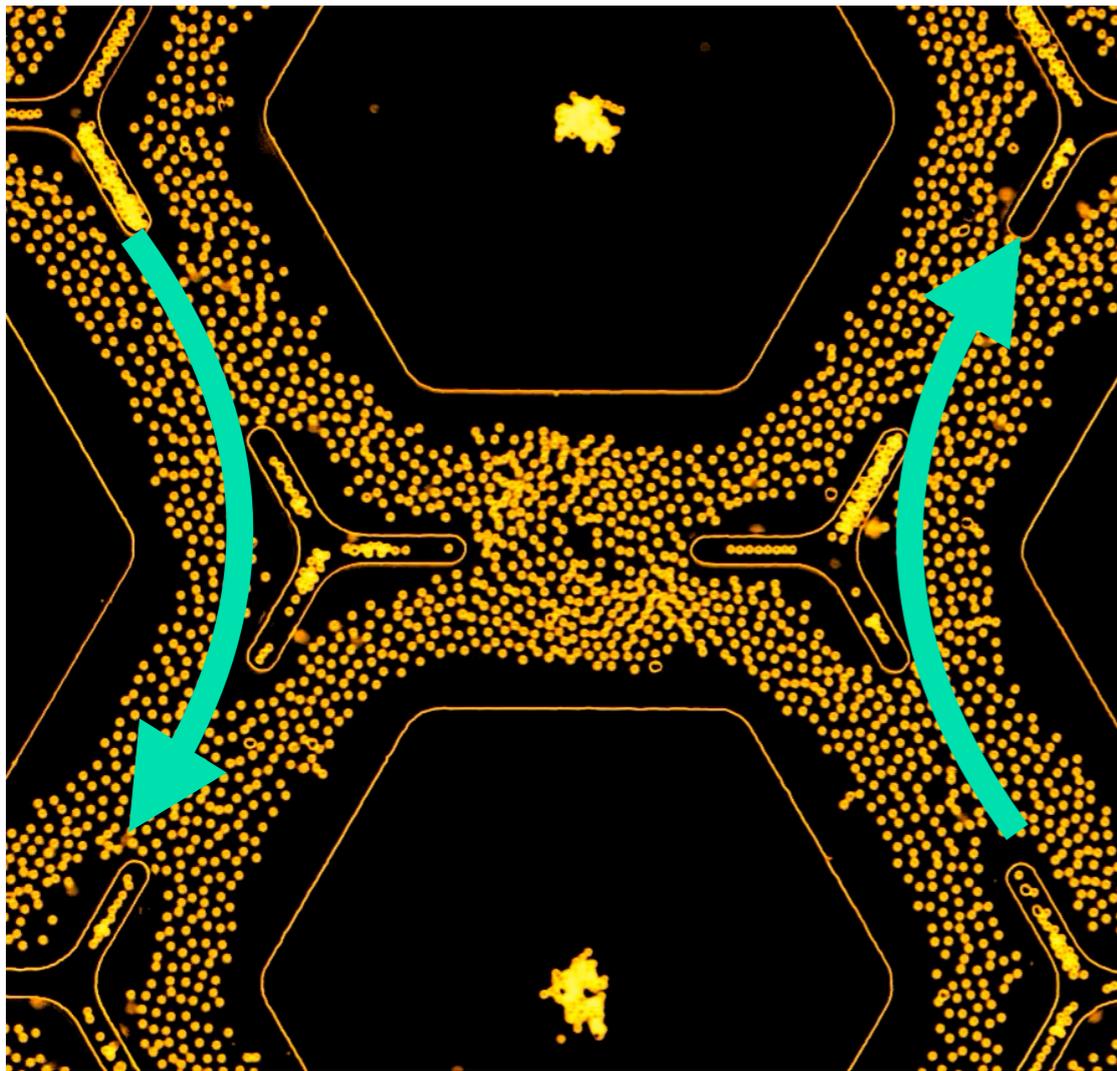
Crumpled & Segregated

Persistent & Nested



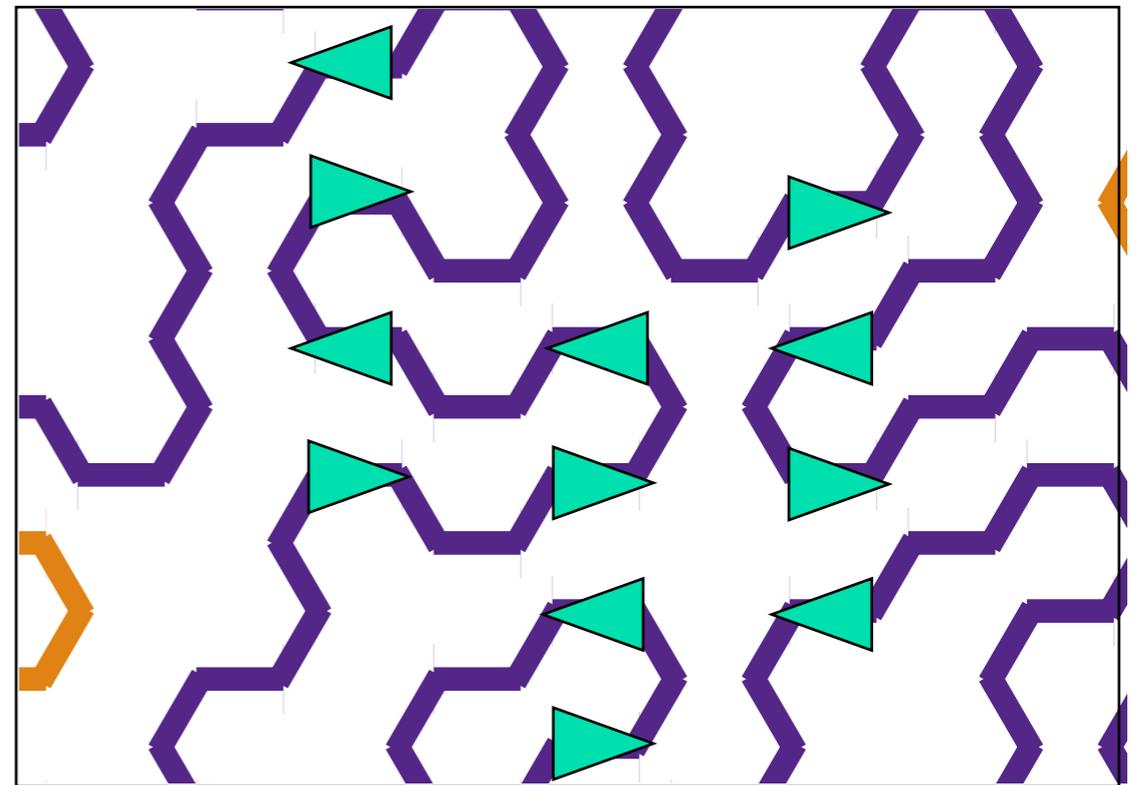
Coupling Symmetries

Antiferromagnetic



Favors

hairpins & crumples



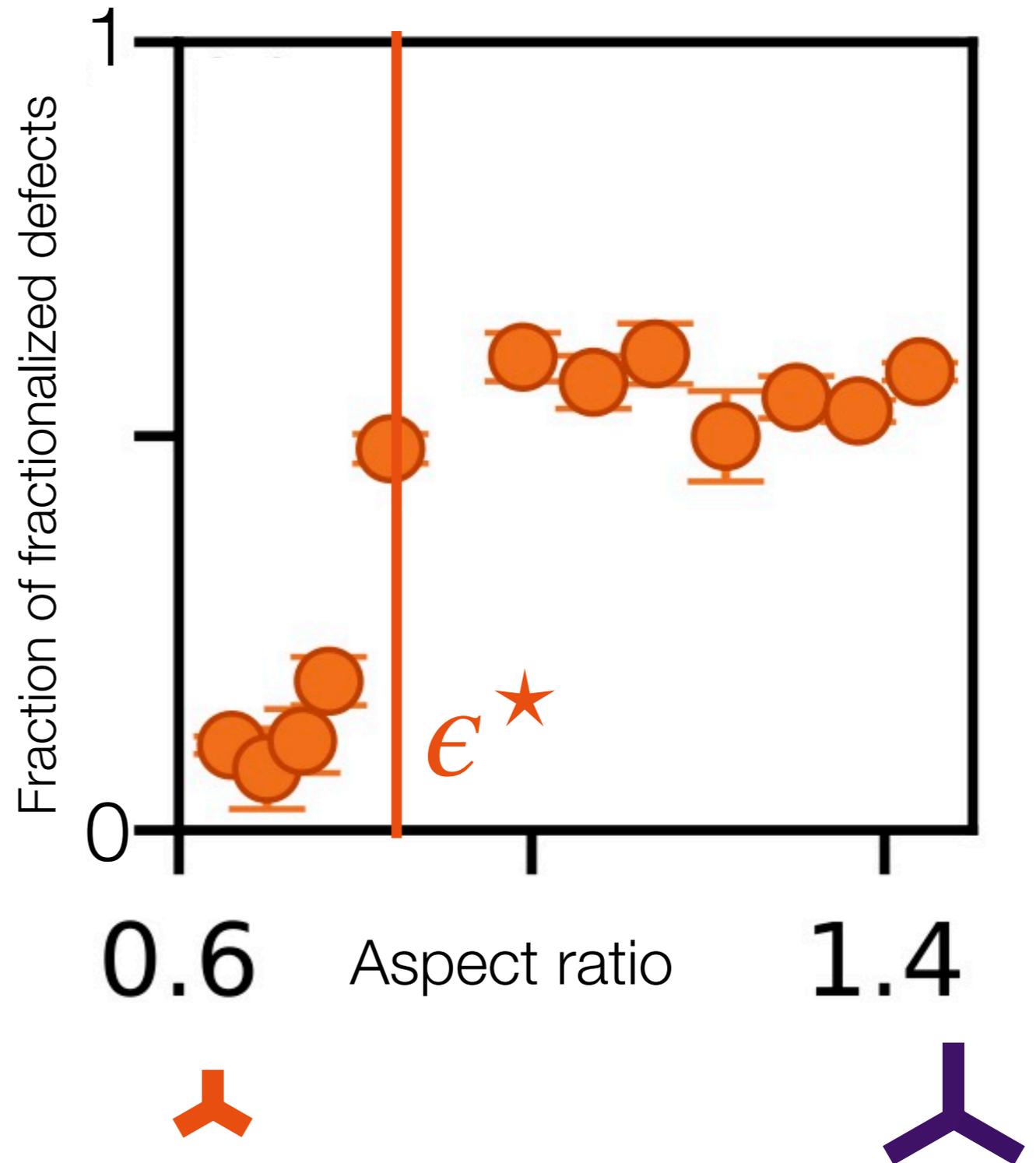
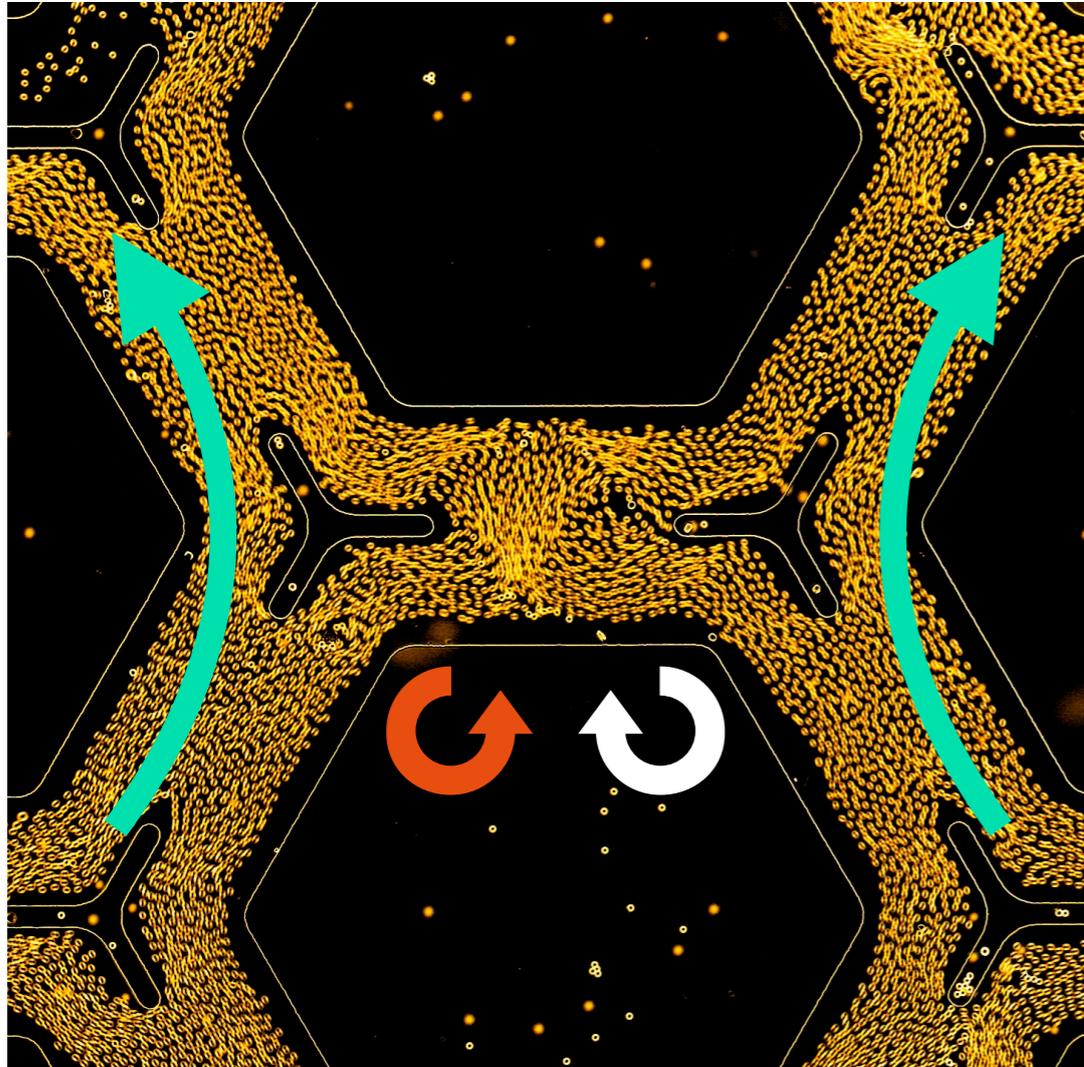
Coupling Symmetries?

Ferromagnetic



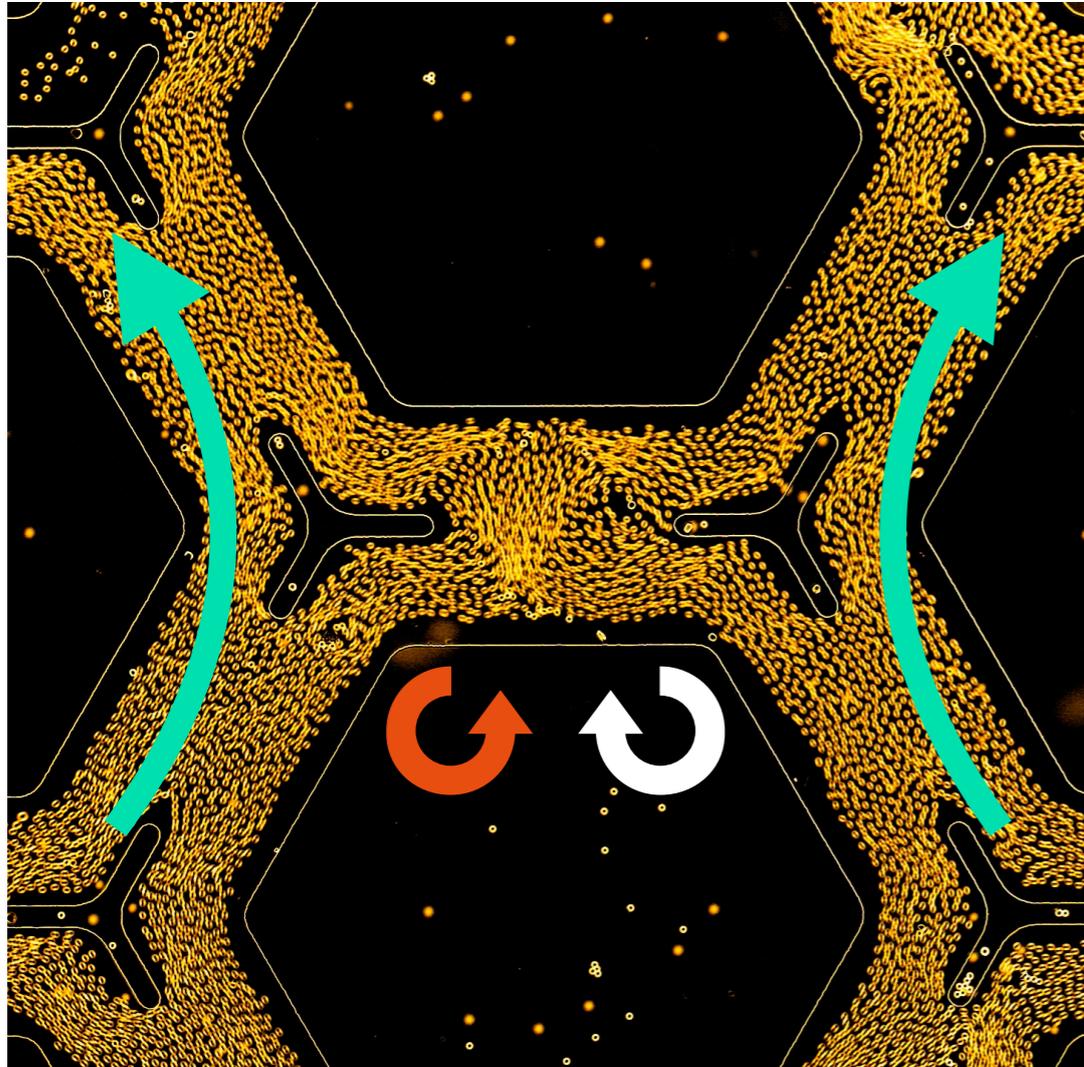
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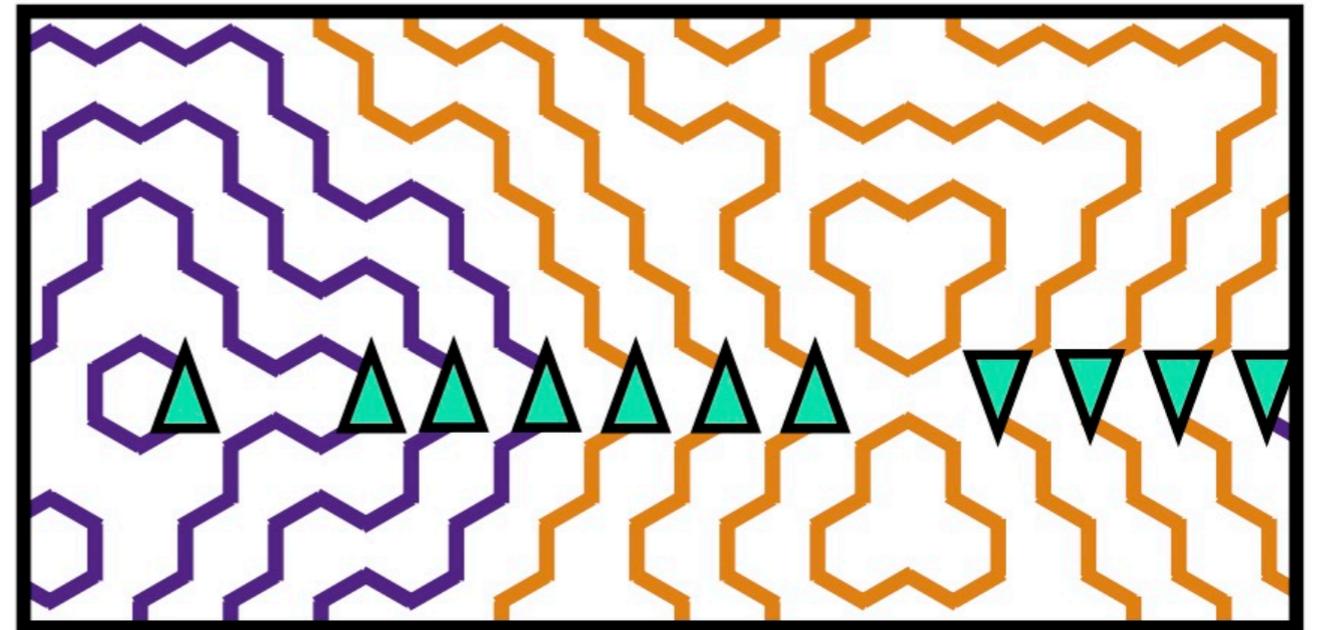
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Favors

Persistent & nested loops

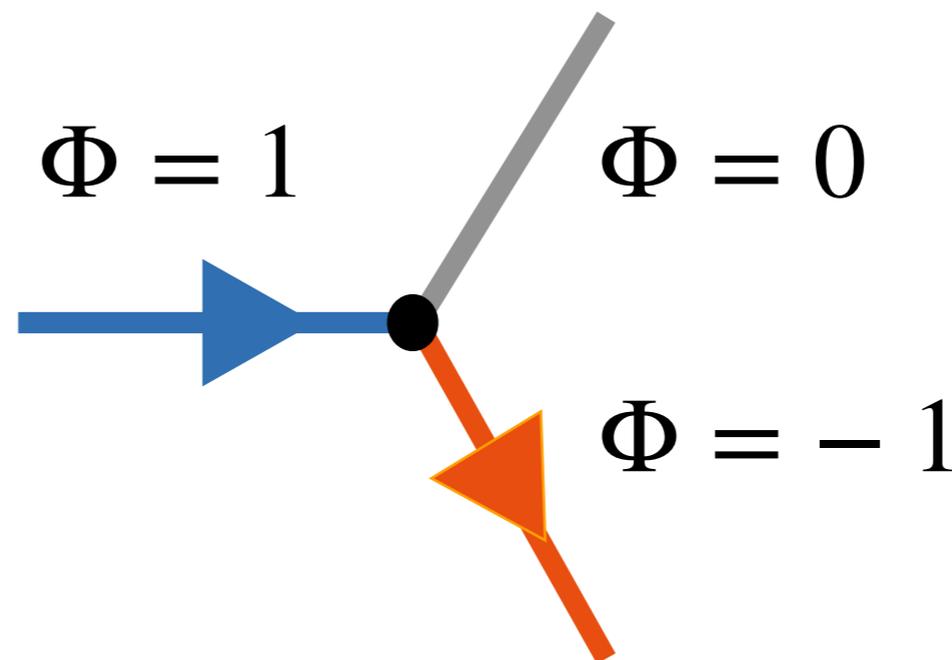


Active Hydraulics

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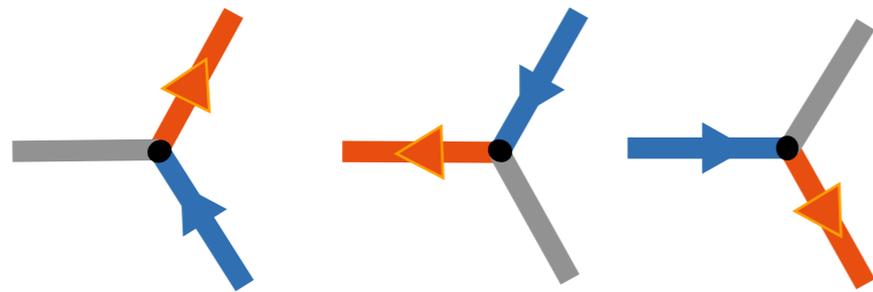
2 – Spontaneous flows

$$\sum_j \Phi_{ij} = 0 \quad \Phi_{ij} = \pm \Phi_0, 0$$

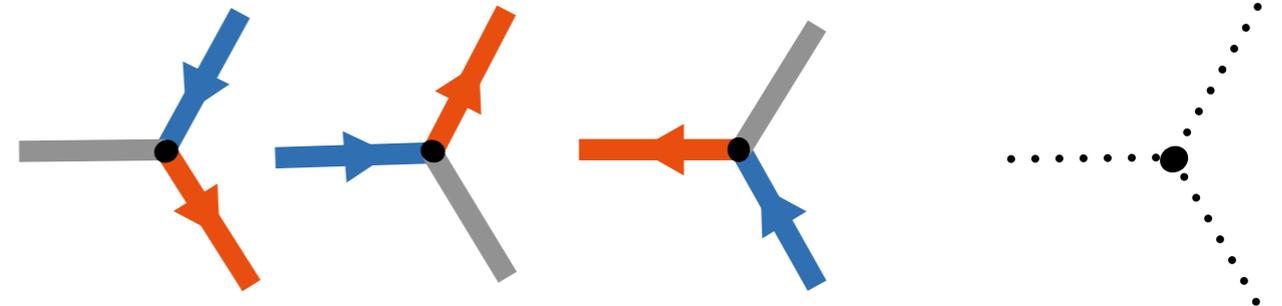


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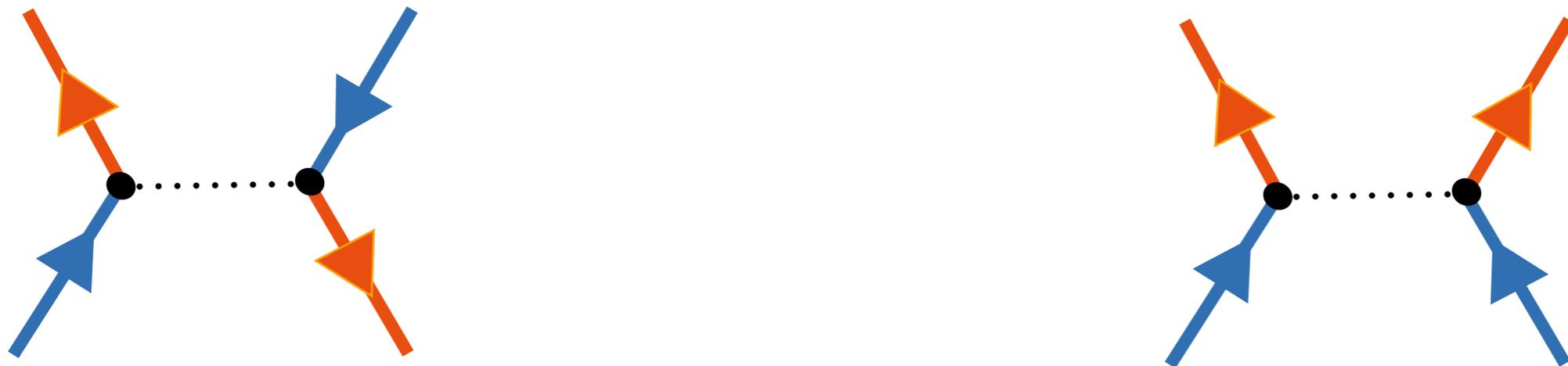
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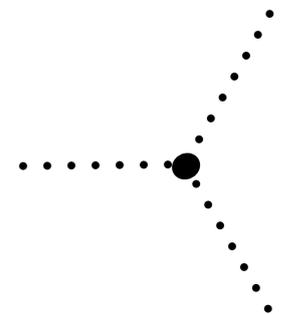
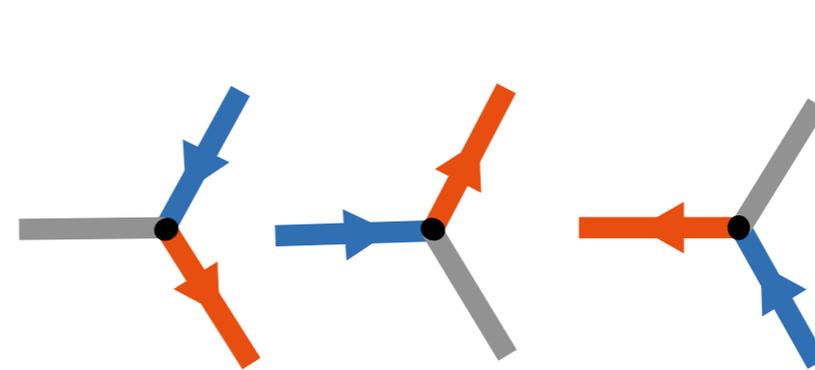
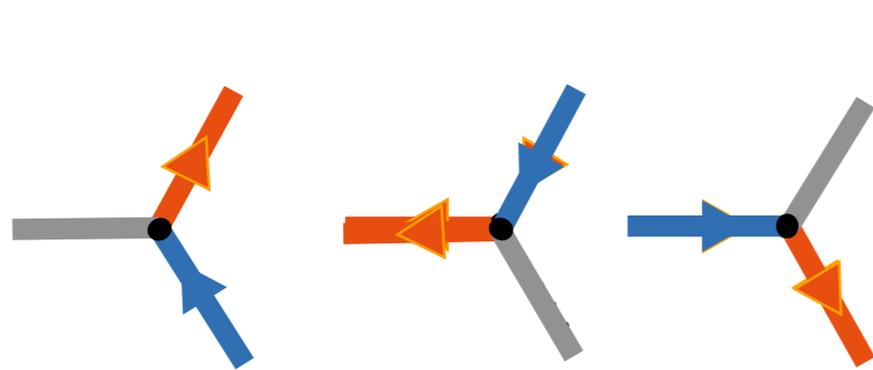
3 — Topological-defect-mediated interactions



Three Coloring model

1 — Mass conservation

2 — Spontaneous flows



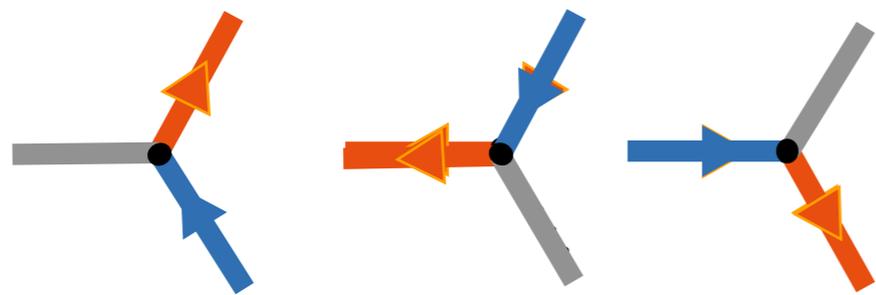
$$\sigma = +1$$

$$\sigma = -1$$

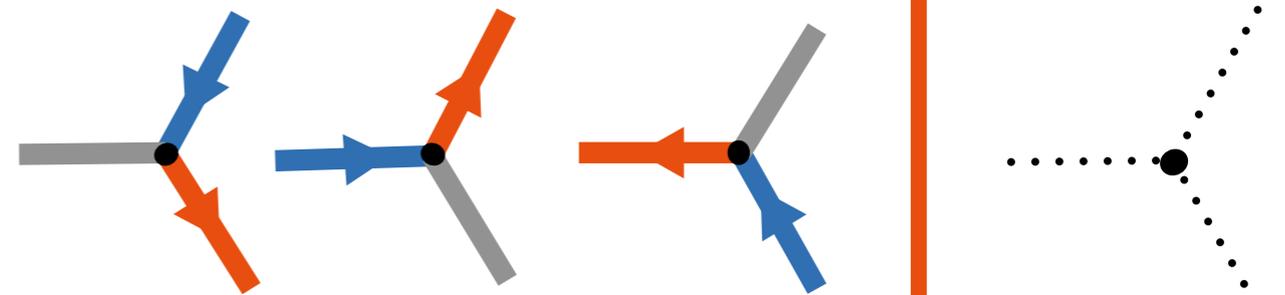
$$\sigma = 0$$

Active Hydraulics

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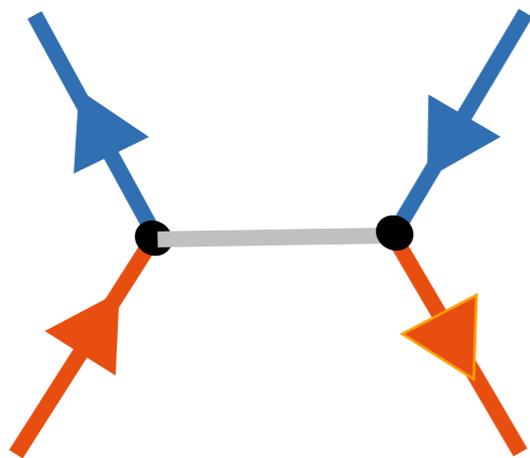


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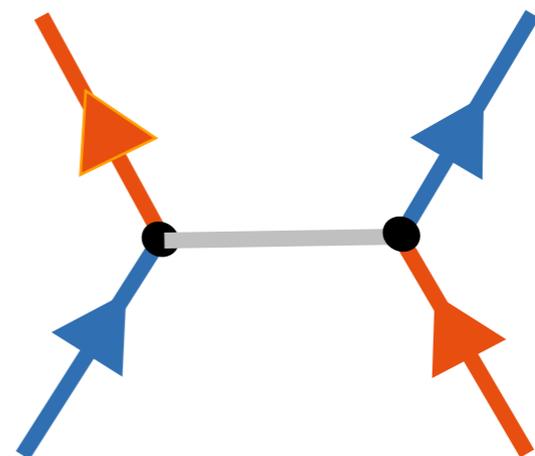


3 — Topological-defect-mediated interactions

$$\sigma_1 \sigma_2 = -1$$



$$\sigma_1 \sigma_2 = +1$$



Predicting flow patterns

Edge current:

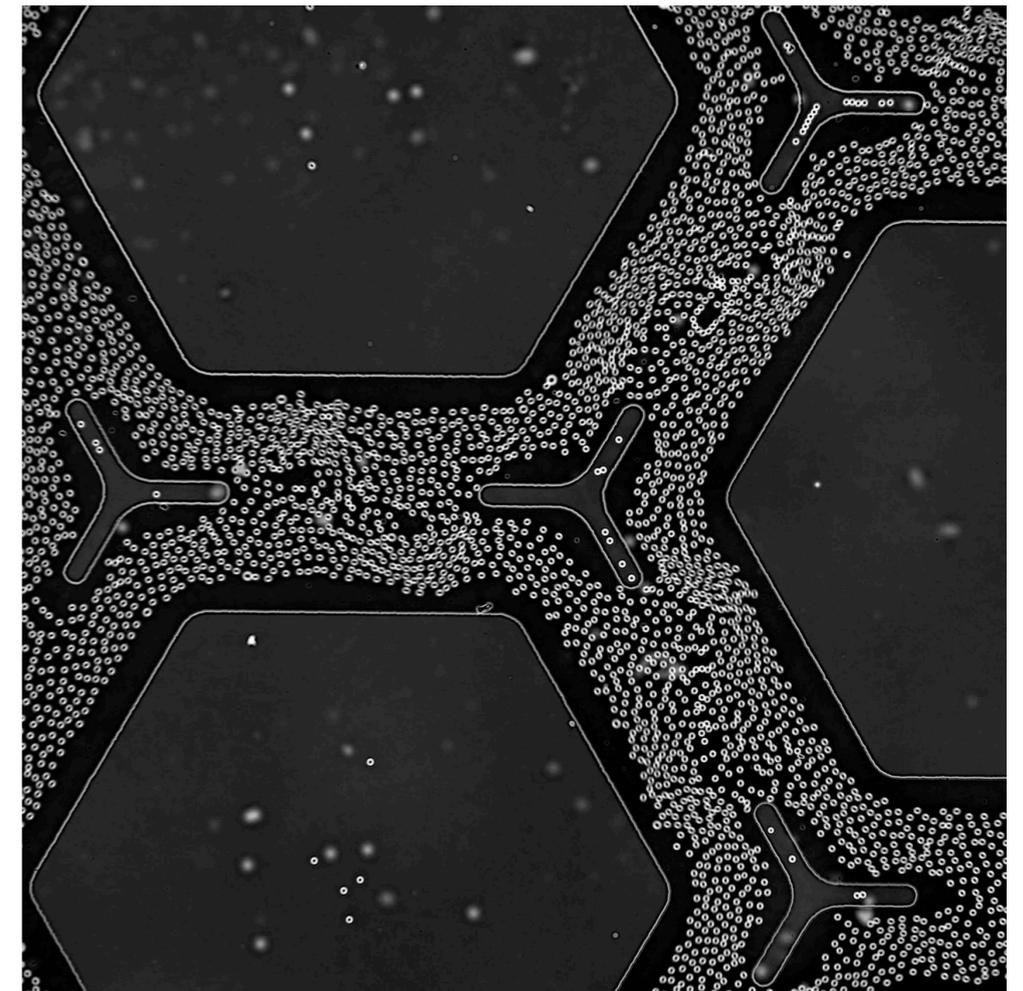
$$\Phi_{ij} = \pm 1, 0$$

Node handedness

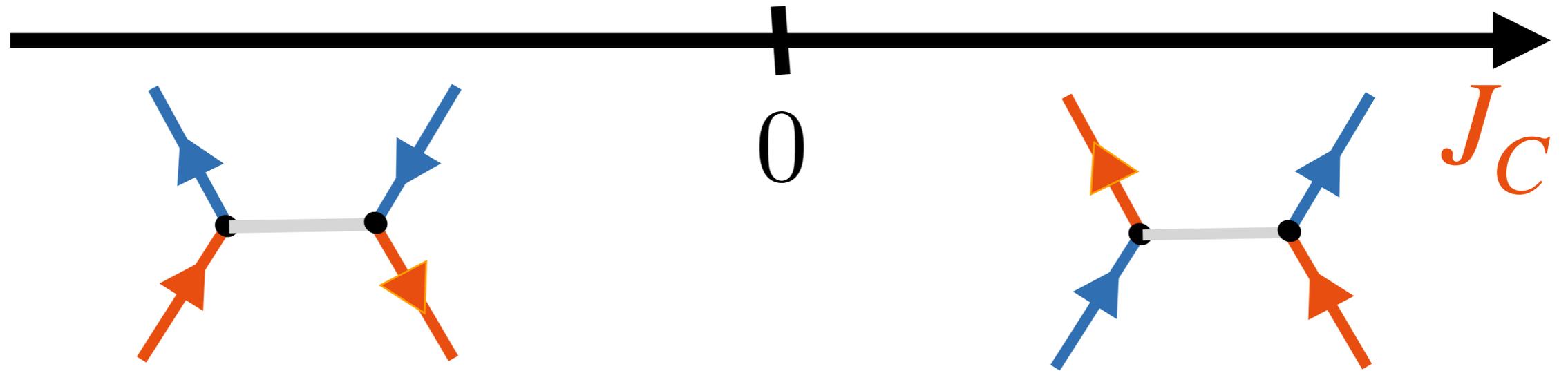
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Promote Spontaneous flows

$$\mathcal{H} = -J_A \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \Phi_{ij}^2$$



Stramline Interactions

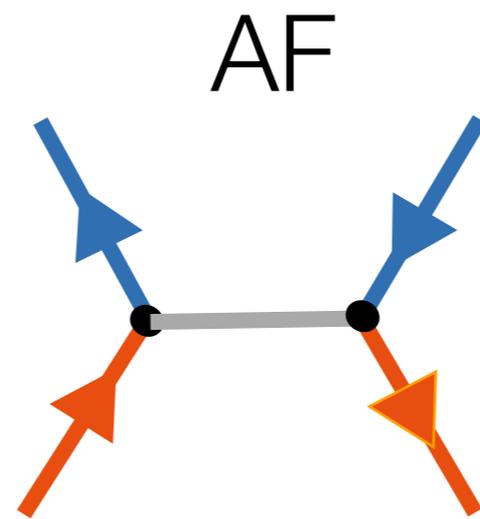
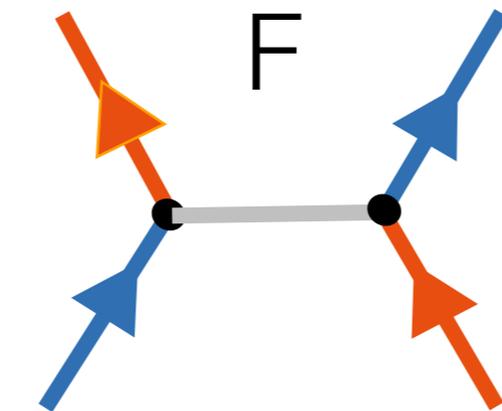
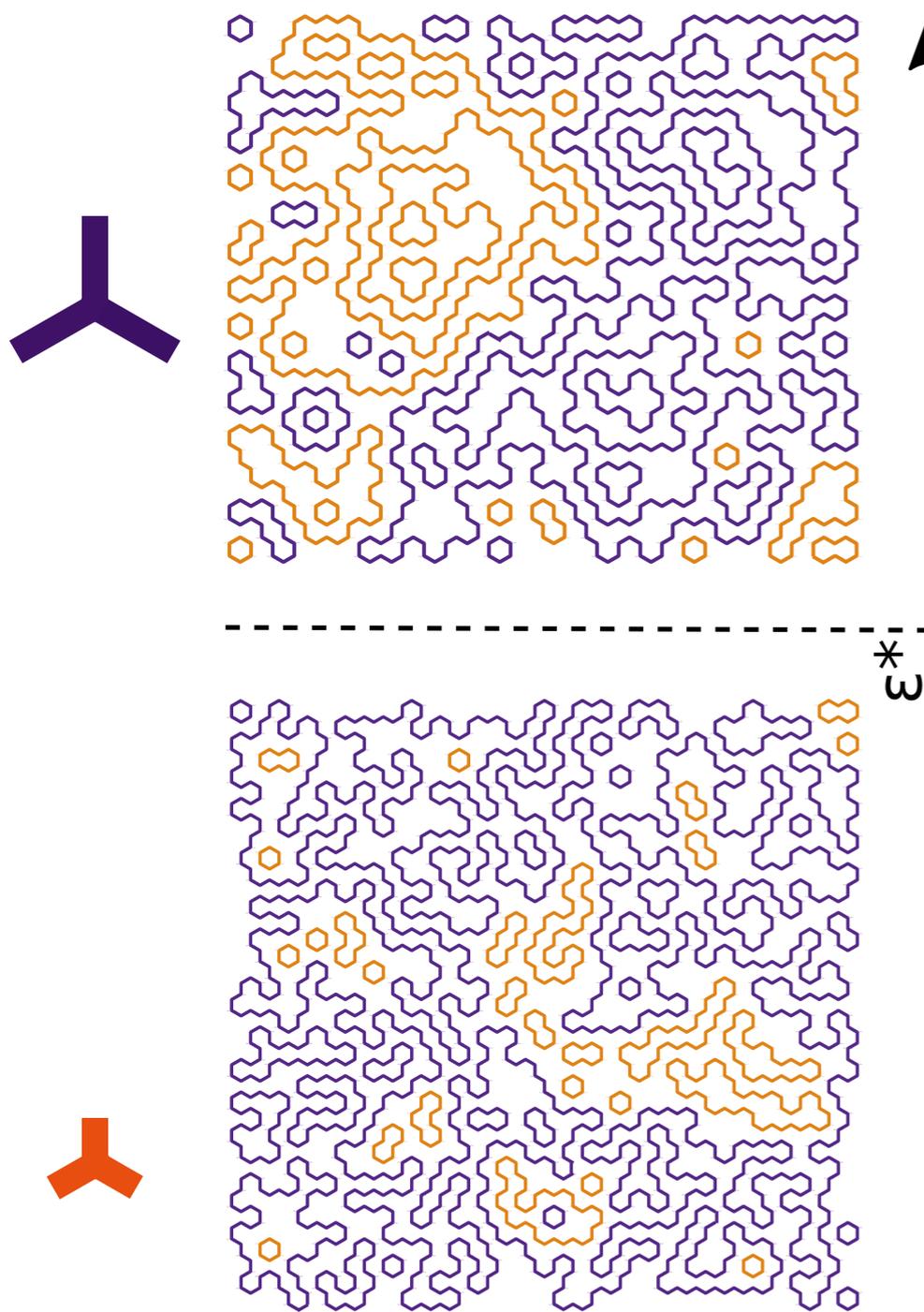


$$\mathcal{H} = -J_A \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \Phi_{ij}^2 - J_C \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \delta_{\Phi_{ij},0} \sigma_i \sigma_j.$$

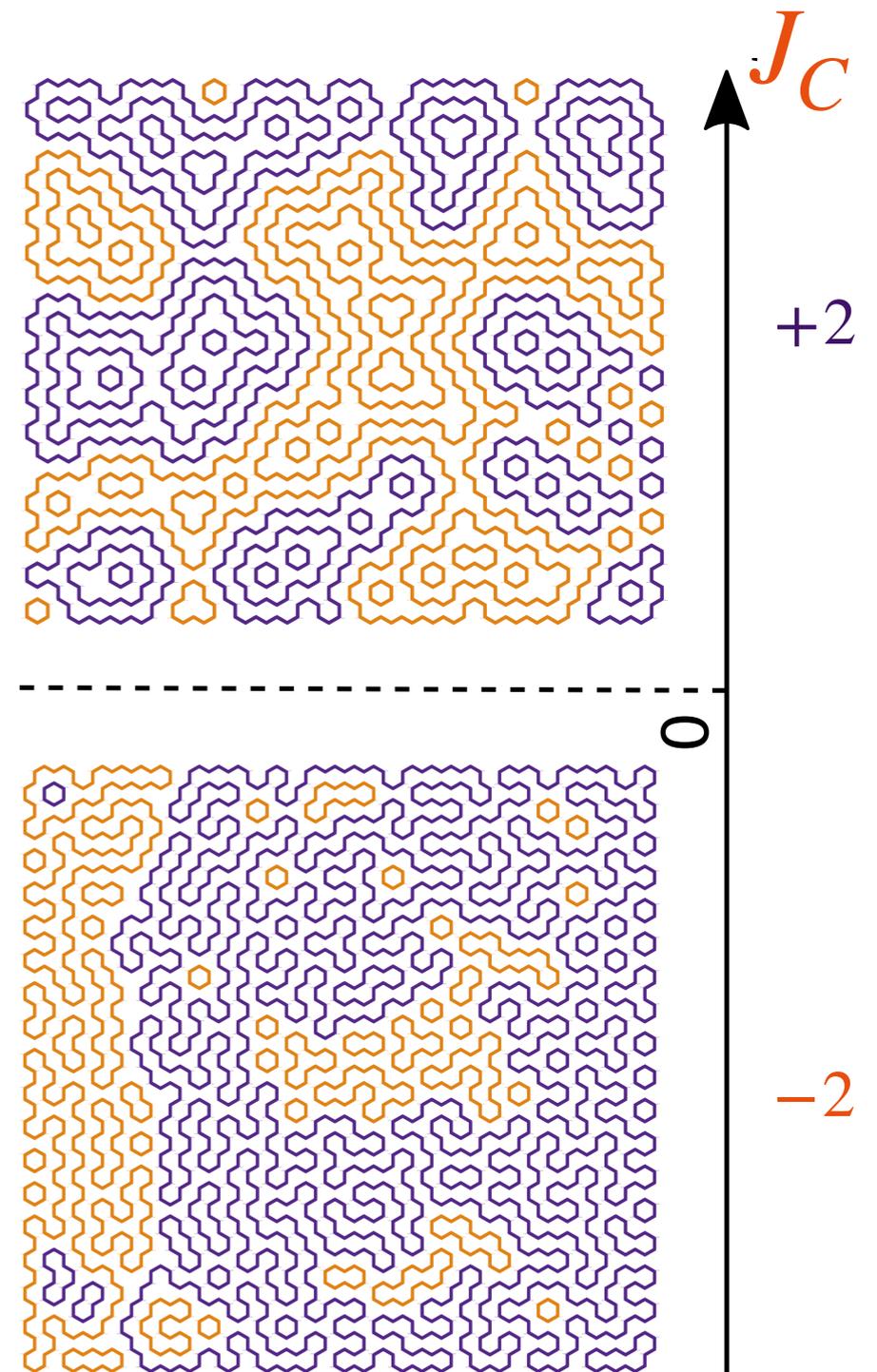
Minimize given the mass-conservation constraint

$$\sum_j \Phi_{ij} = 0$$

Experiments

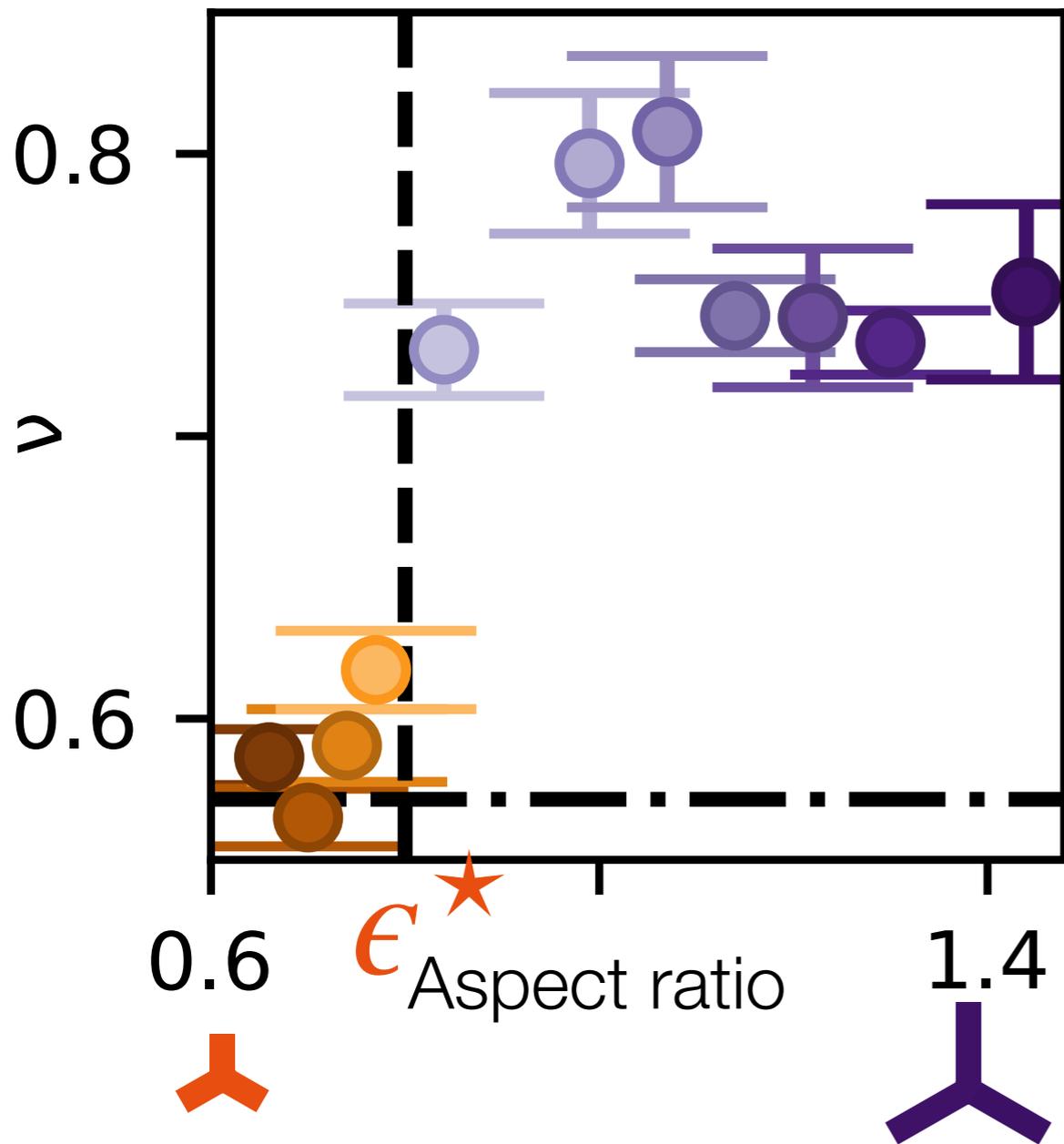


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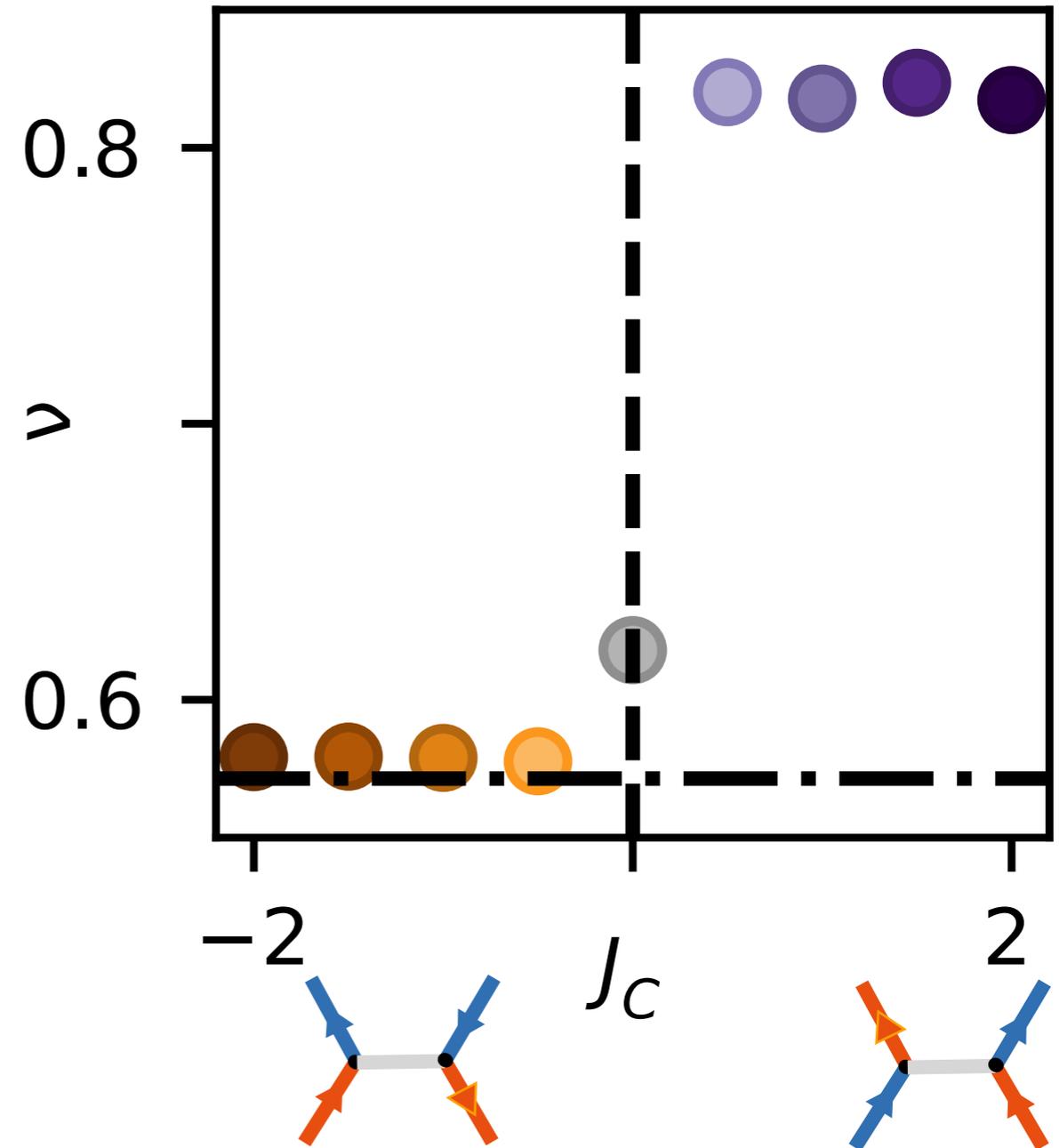


Crumpling of the stream lines

Experiments



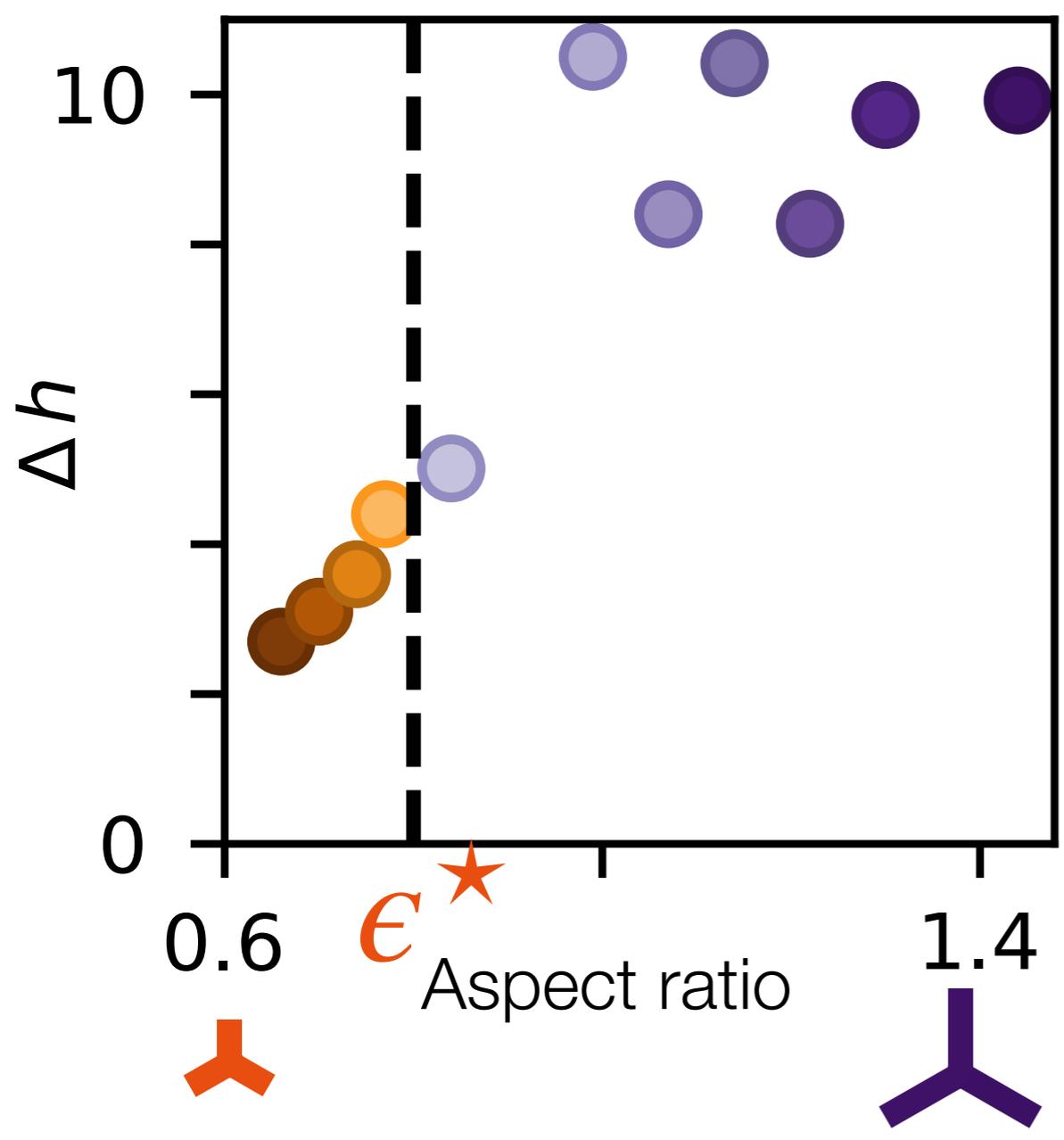
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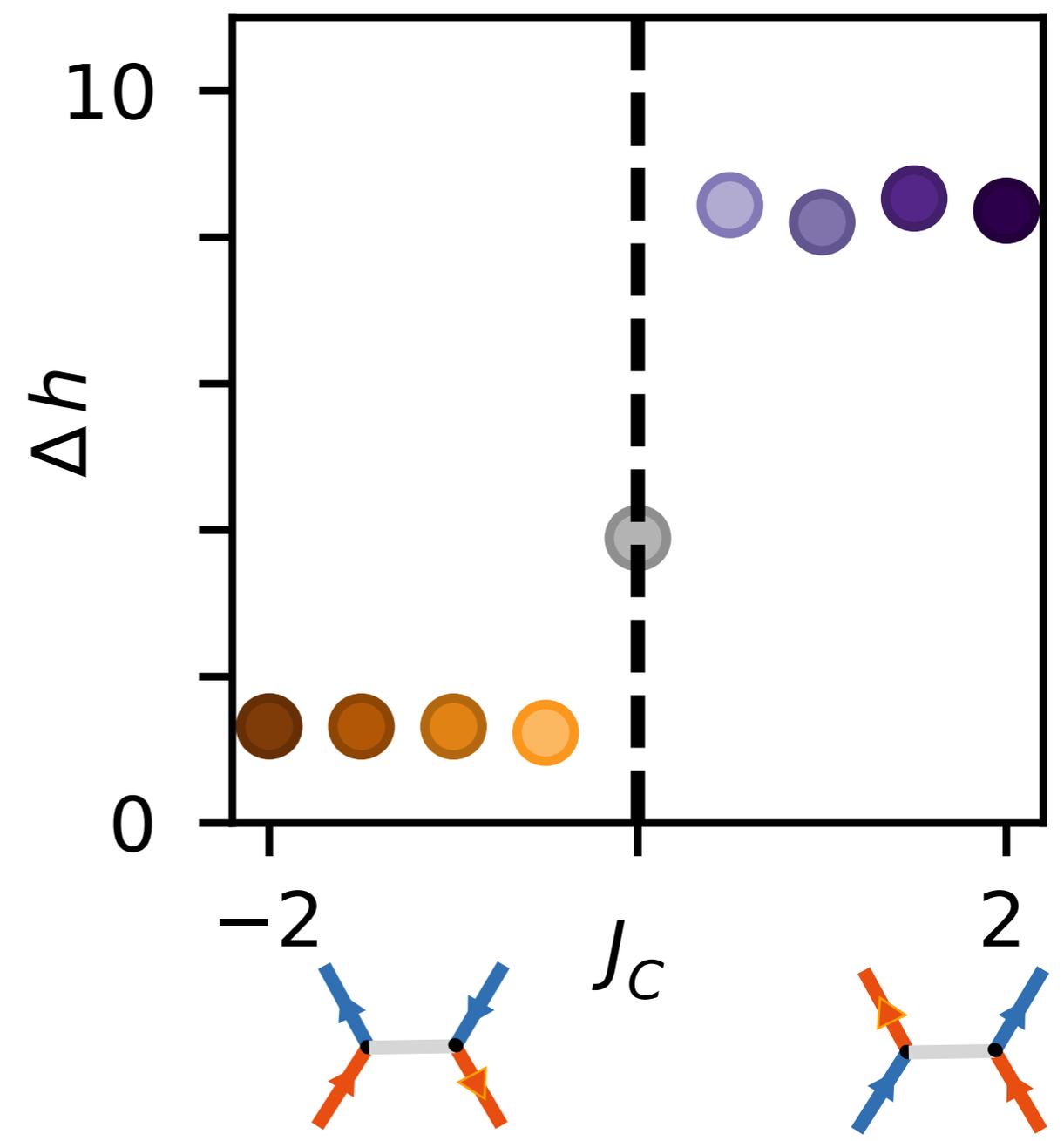
$$R_g \sim L^\nu$$

Nesting of the stream lines

Experiments



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Active Hydraulics

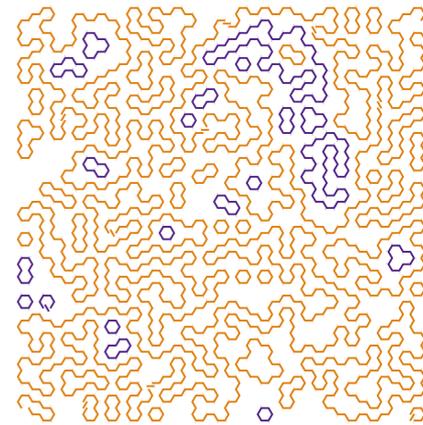
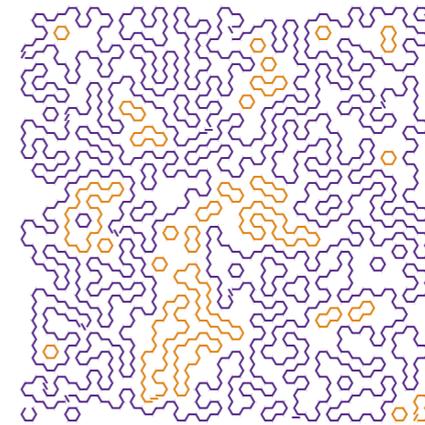
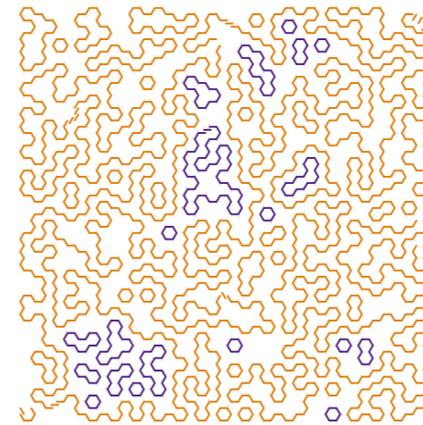
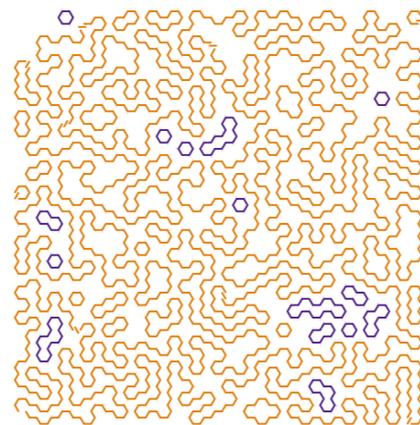
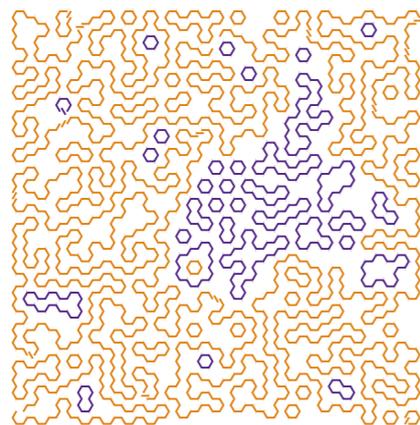
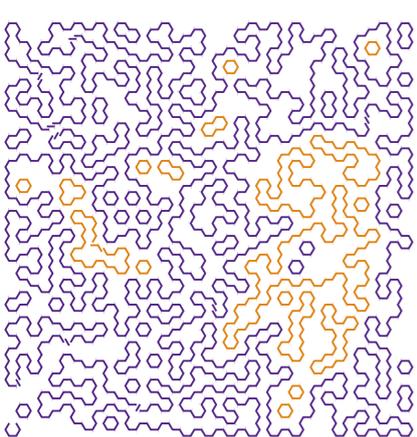
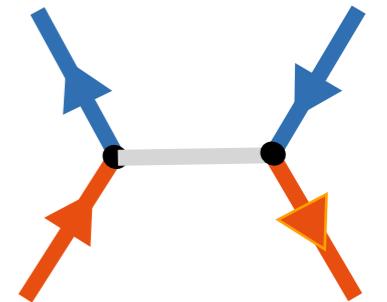
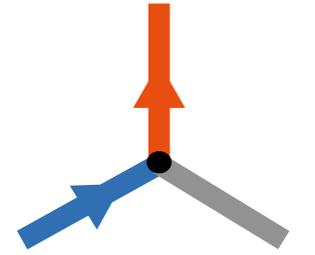
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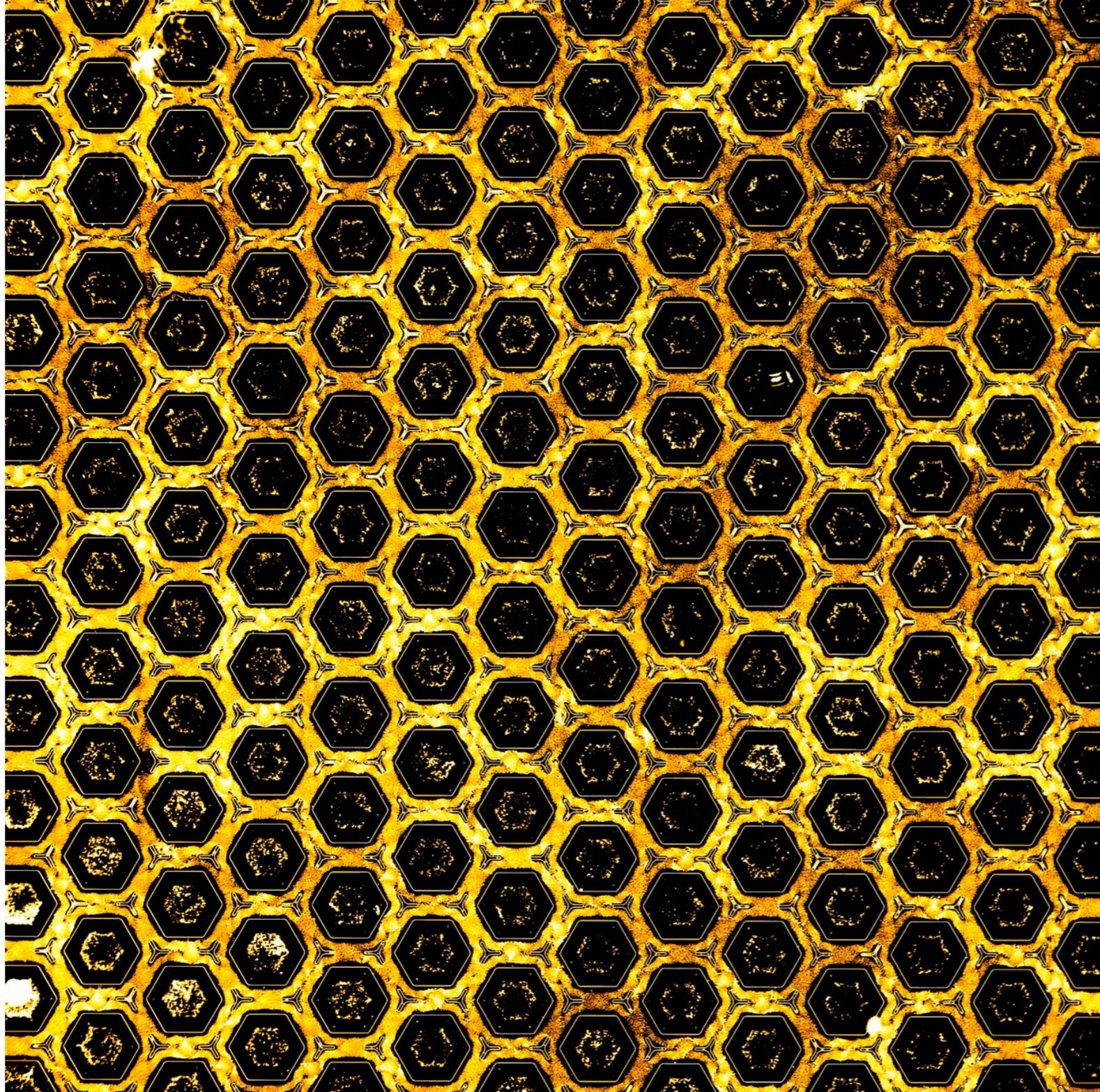
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3 — Defect-mediated interactions

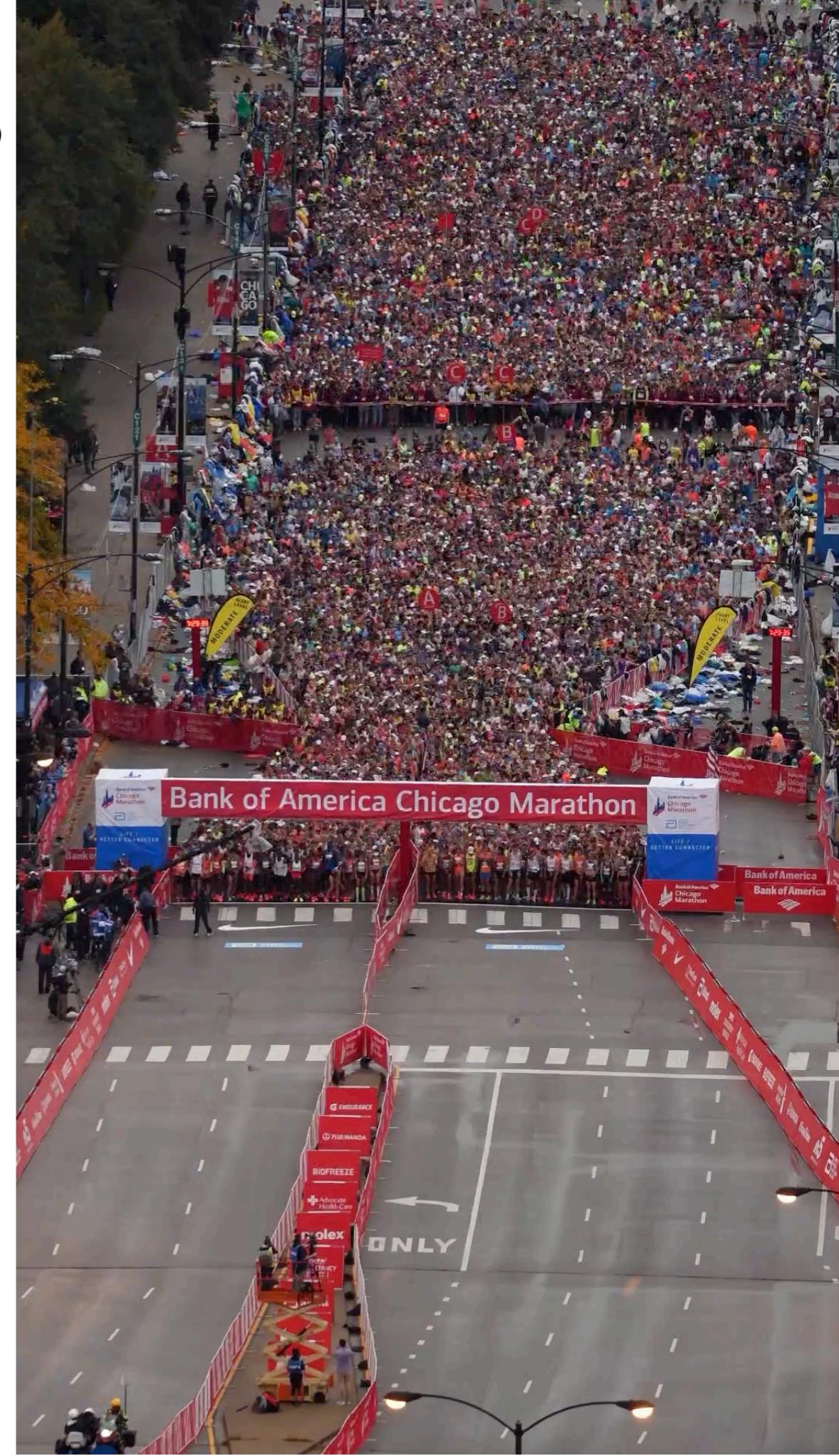


Active Hydraulics



Crowd Hydrodynamics

Without any assumption
about pedestrian behavior



Crowds as continua

Conservation laws
&
Constitutive relations



Experimental measurements



Controlled perturbations



2,000 runners

Response to a boundary perturbation



Hydrodynamic model

Chicago marathon

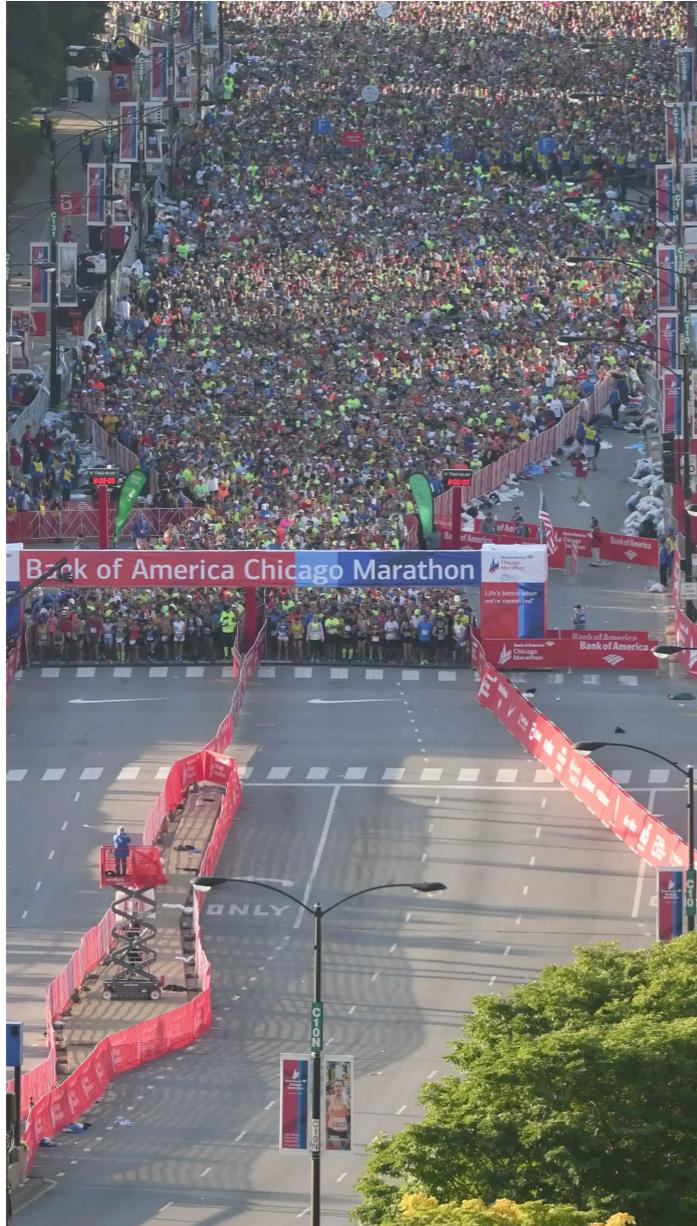


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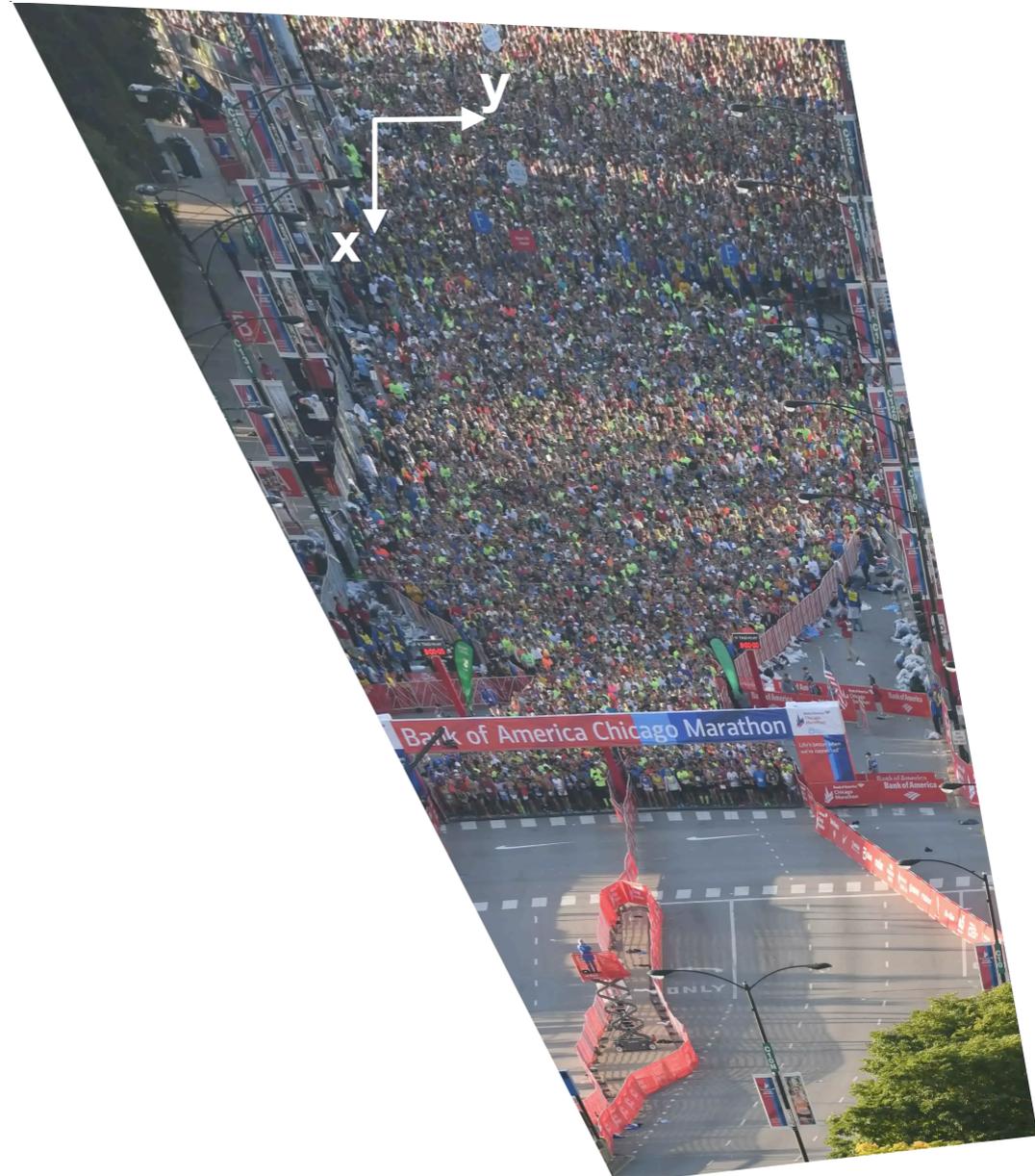


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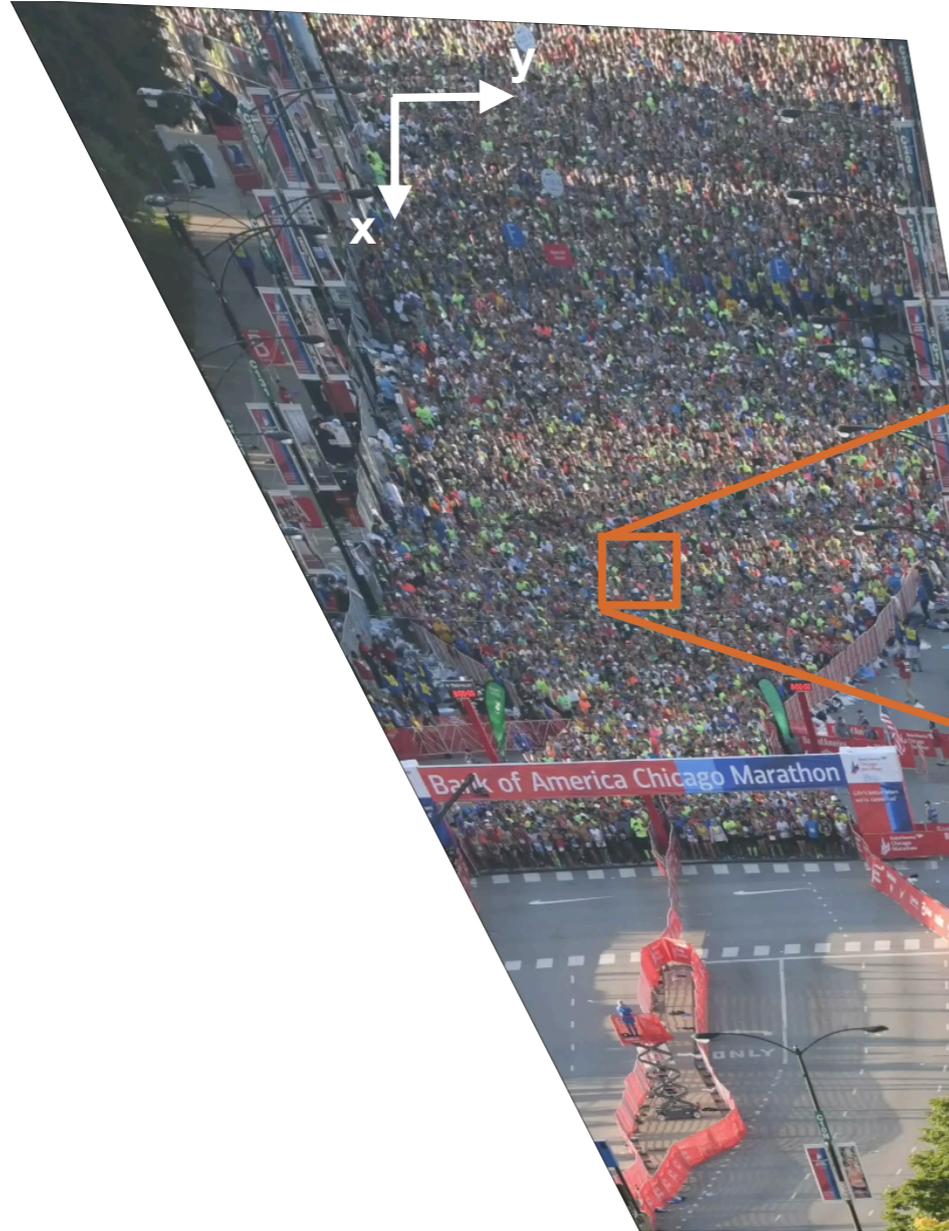
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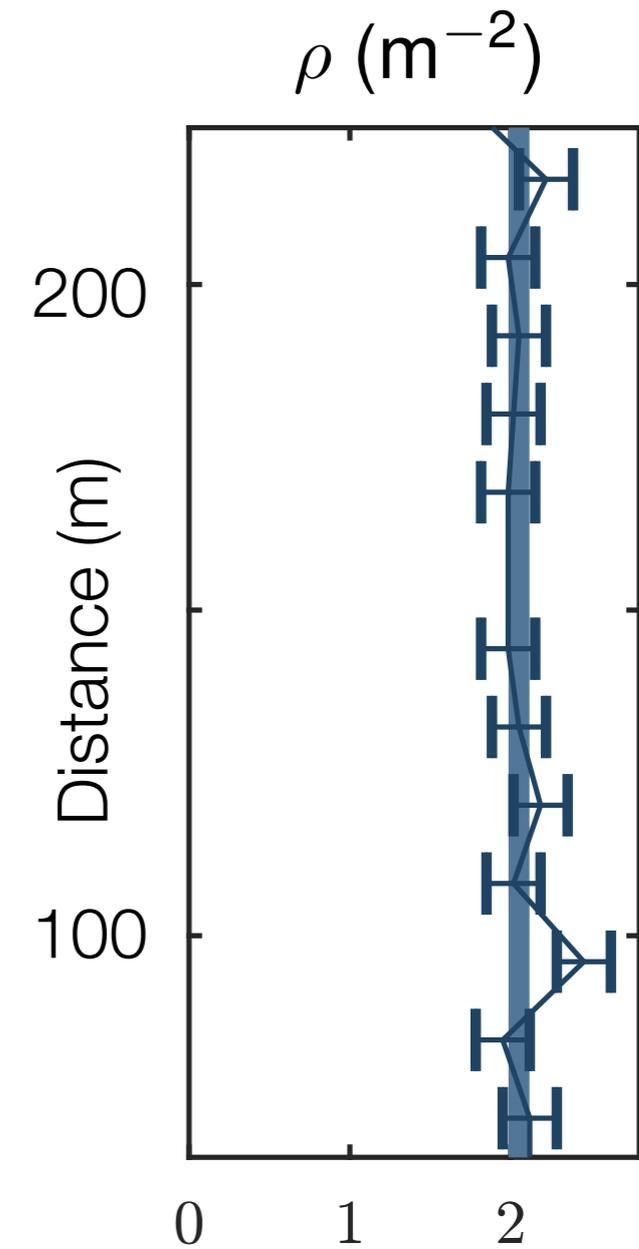
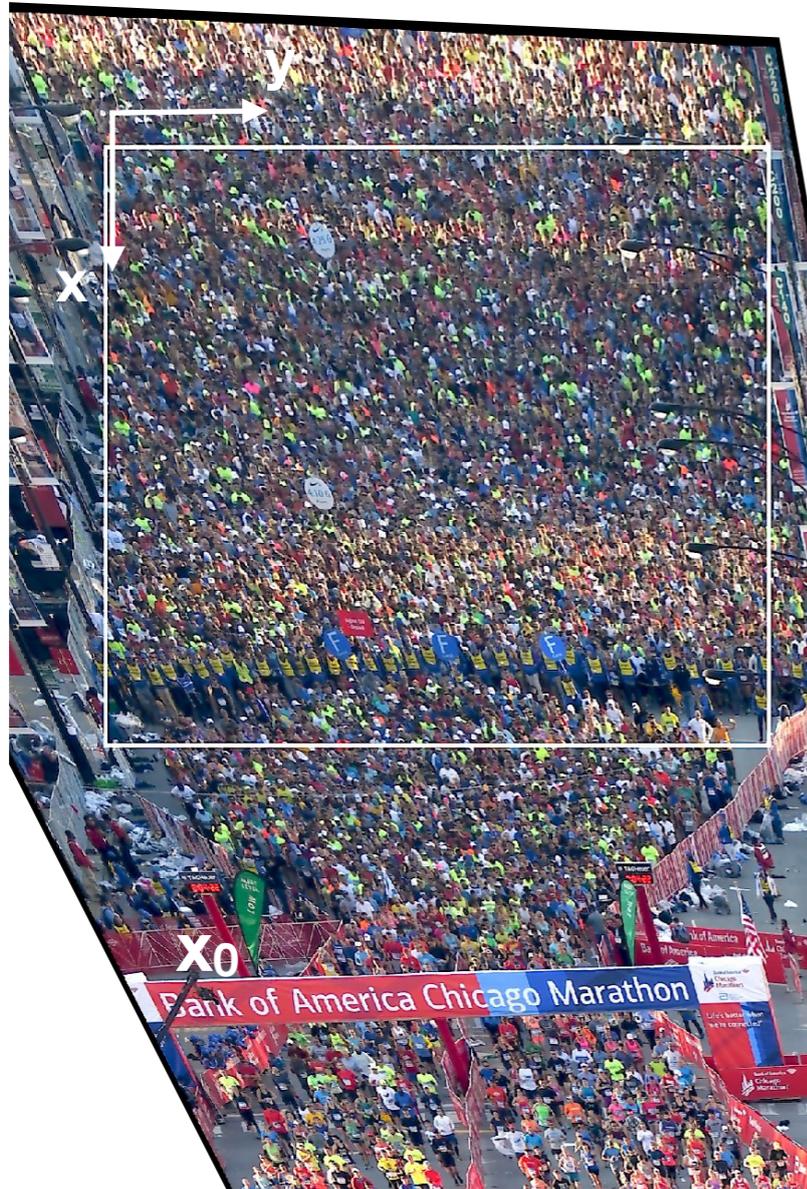
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Density field



Crowd hydrostatics



Constant uniform density
(although unbounded)

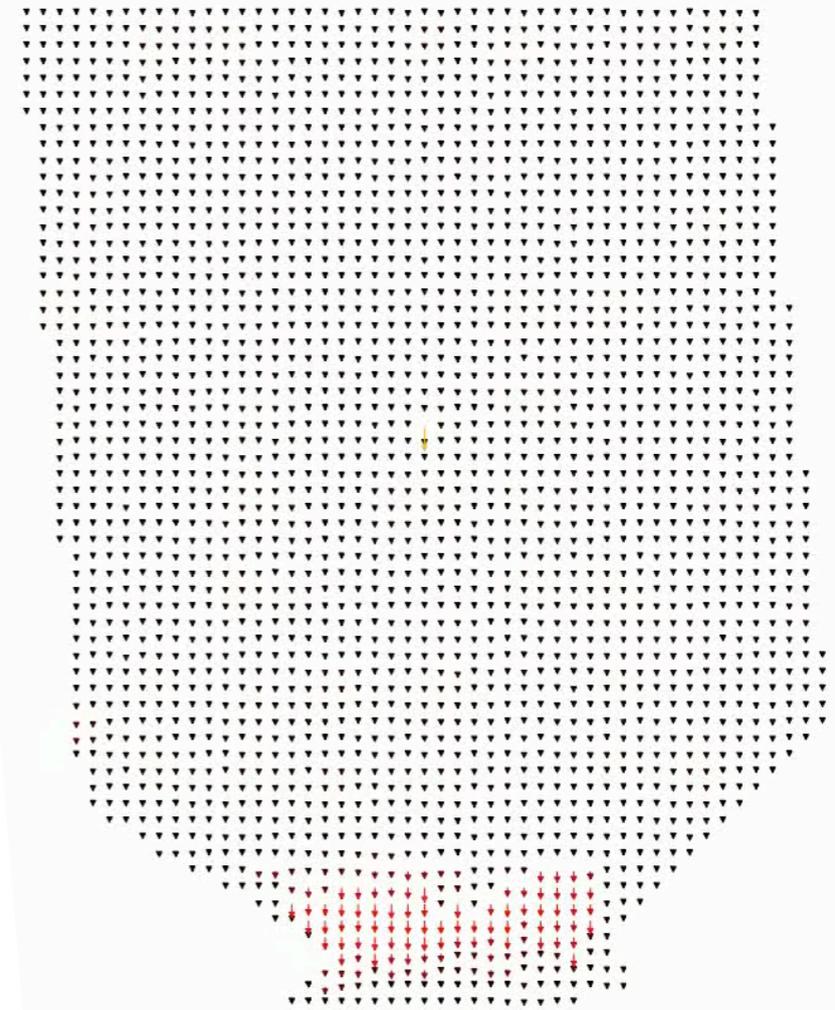
$$\rho_0 = 2.2 \pm .05 \text{ m}^{-2}$$

Crowd dynamics



$10 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m}$

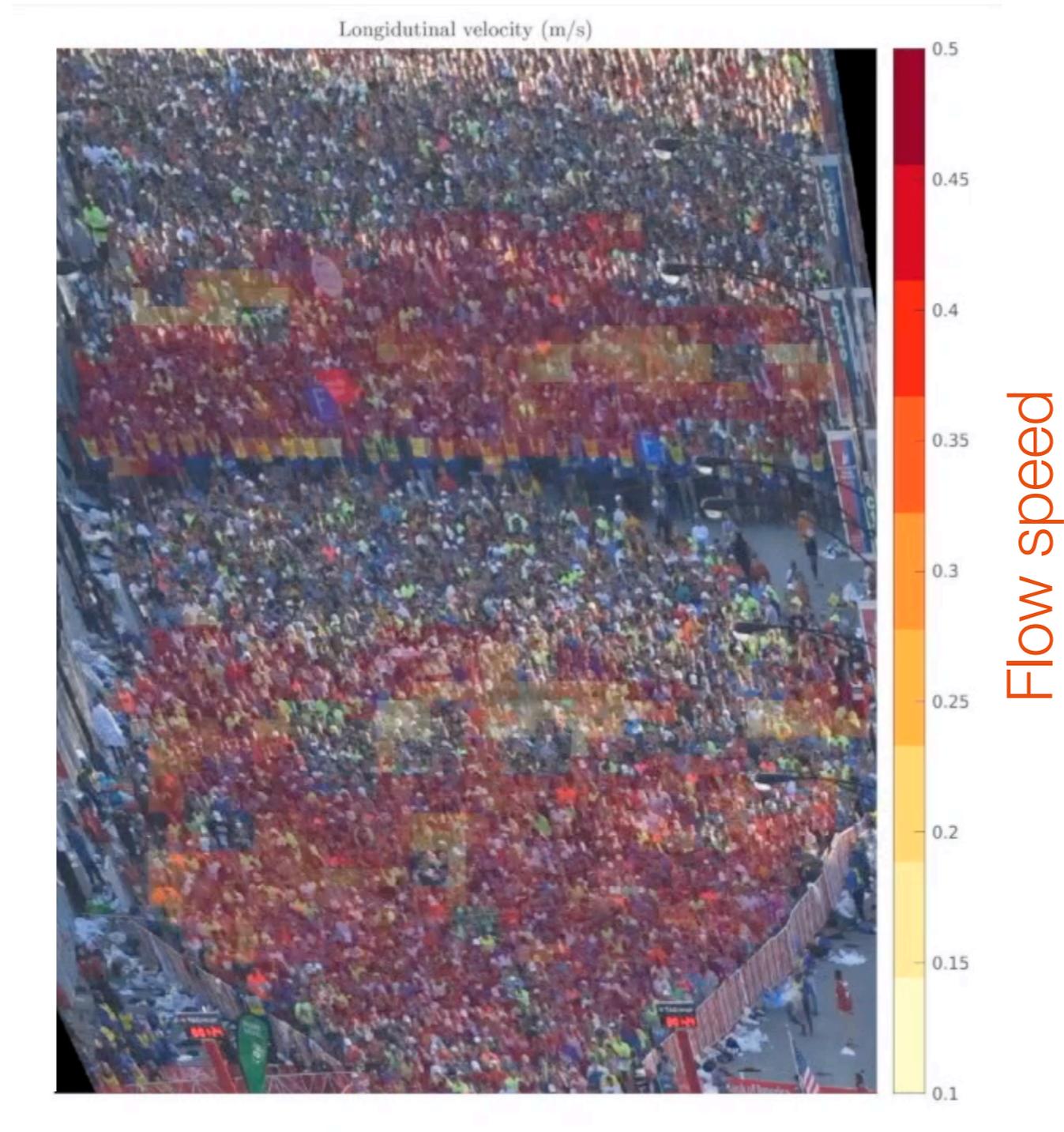
$\delta v \sim 10 \text{ cm/s}$



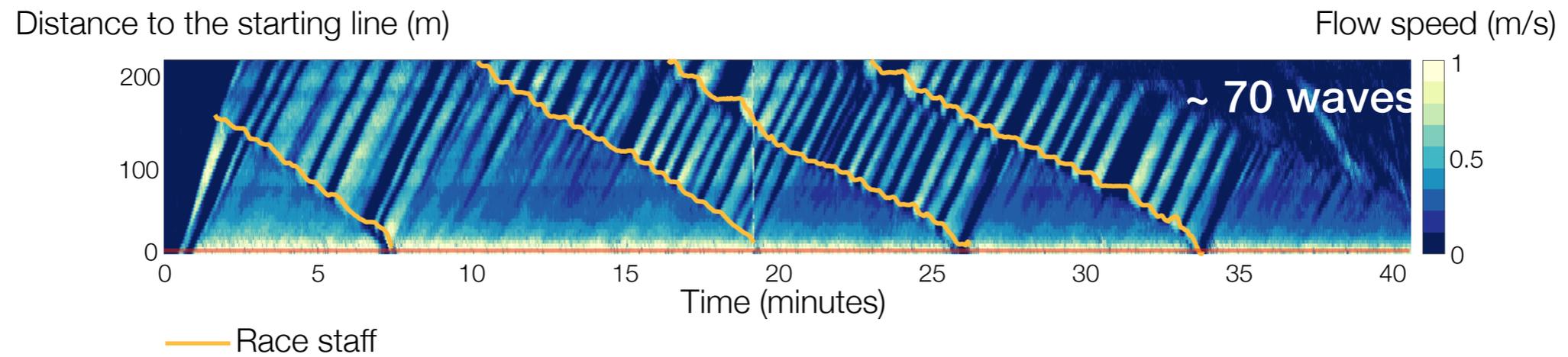
PIV

$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, t)$

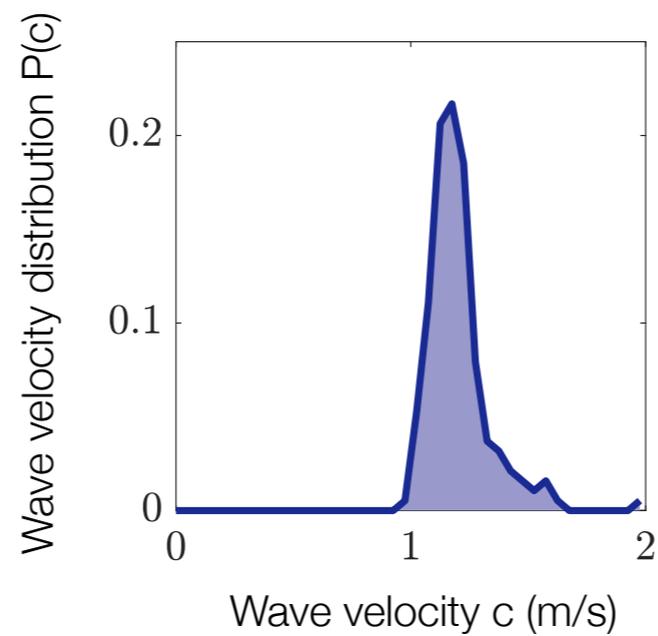
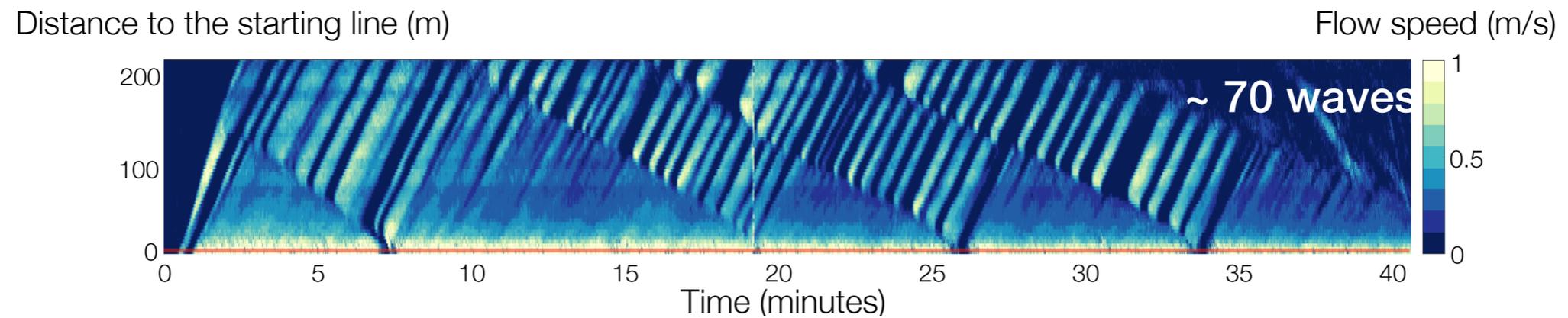
Density-speed waves



Dynamic response to boundary perturbations



Constant wave speed

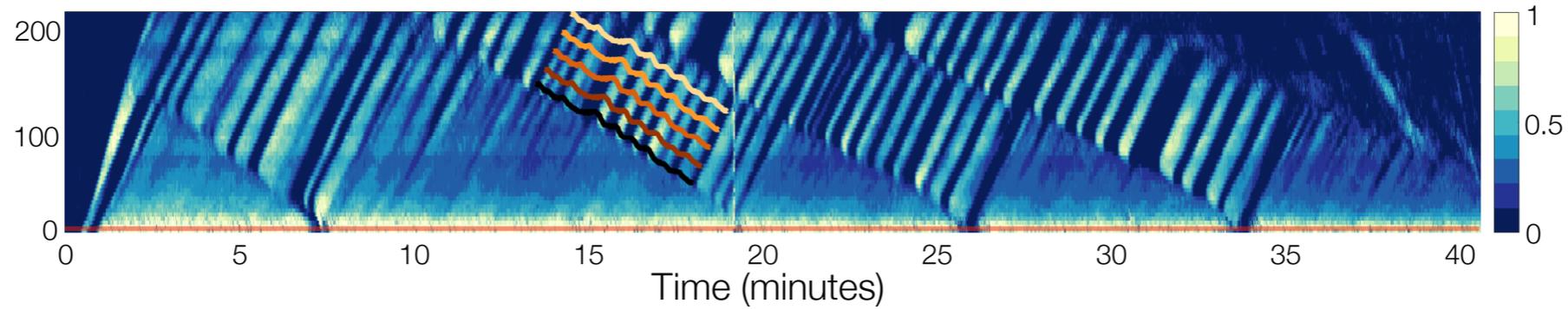


Wave velocity
 $\langle c \rangle = 1.2 \pm 0.3 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$

Linear response

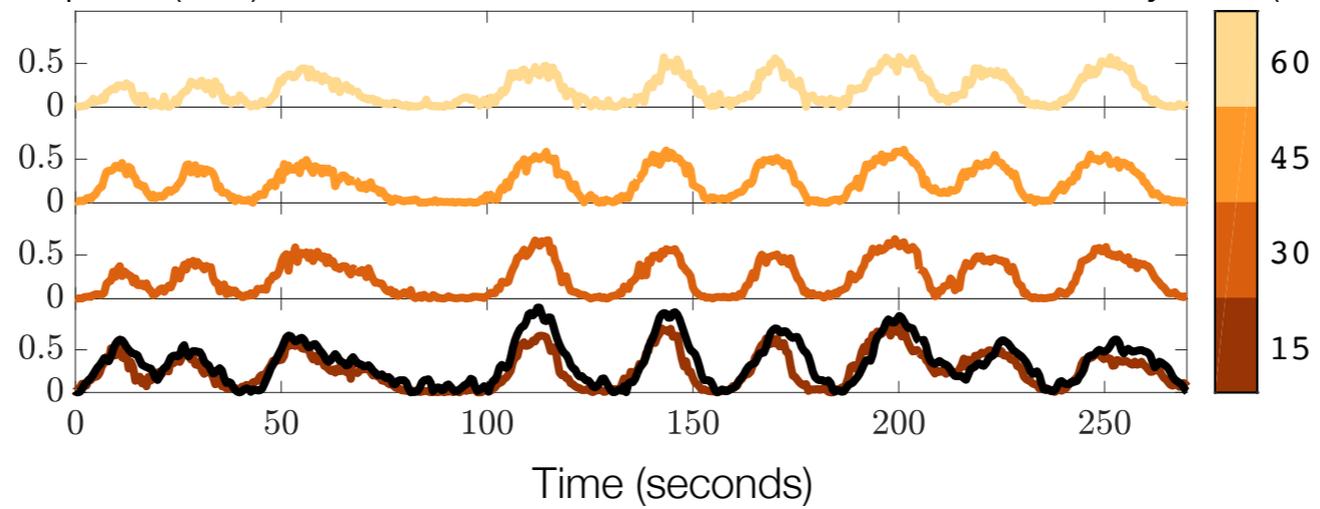
Distance to the starting line (m)

Flow speed (m/s)



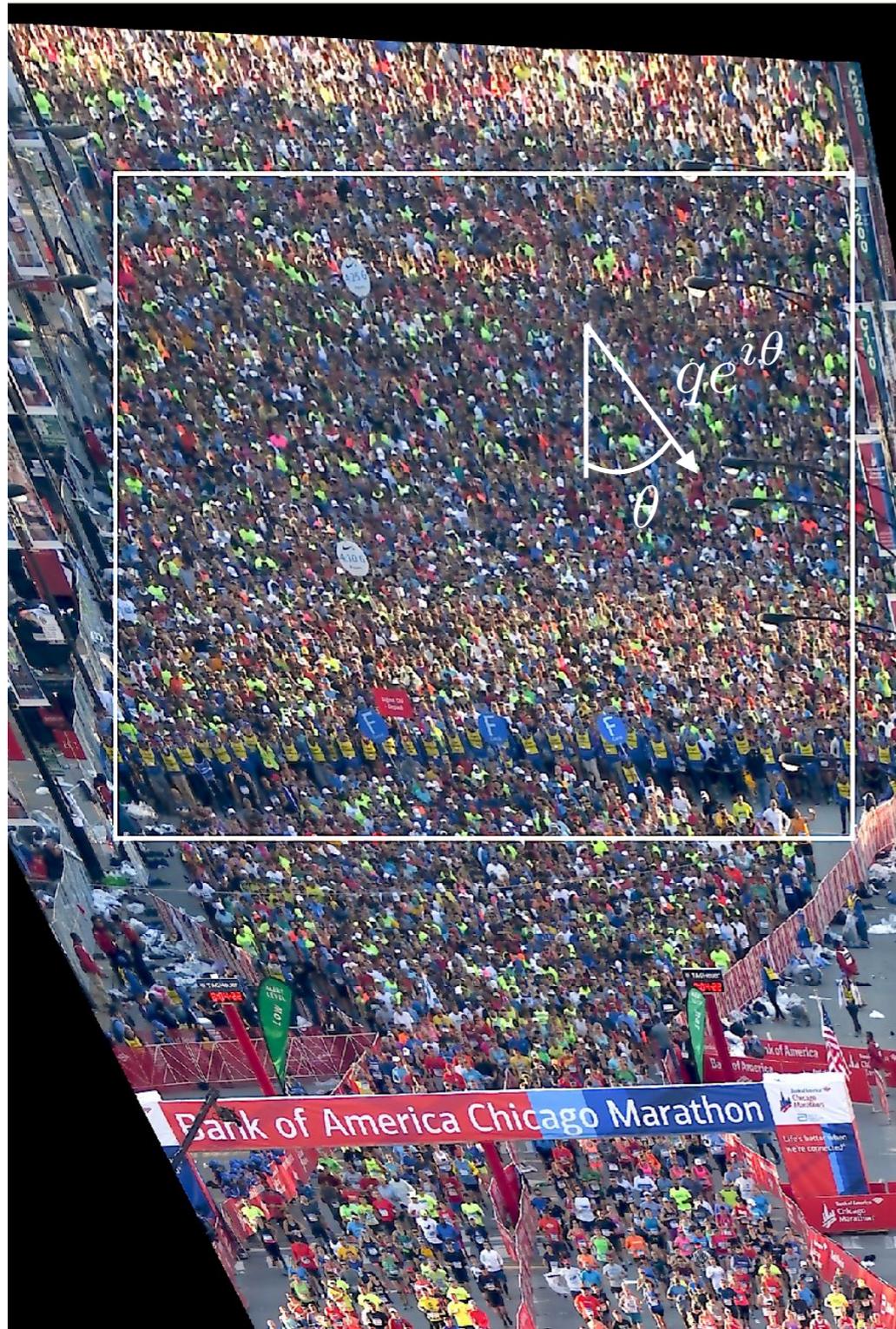
Flow speed (m/s)

Delay time (seconds)



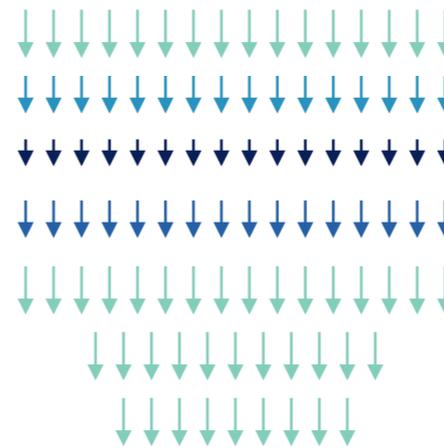
Linear, non-dispersive waves

Spectral analysis



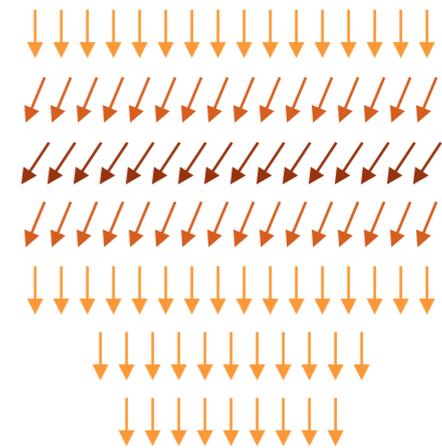
Flow speed

$$|\mathbf{v}|$$

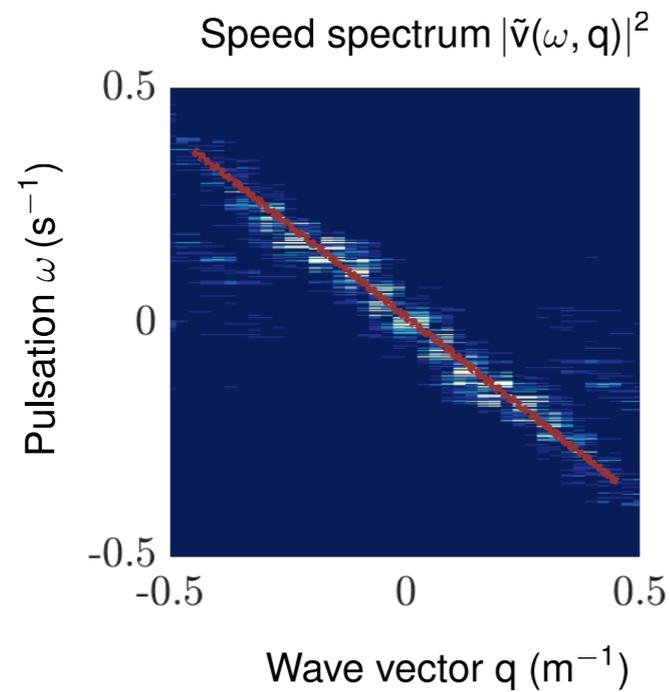
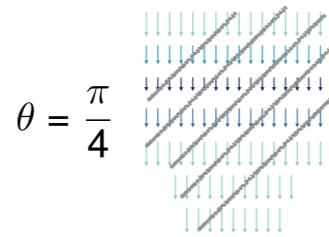


Flow orientation

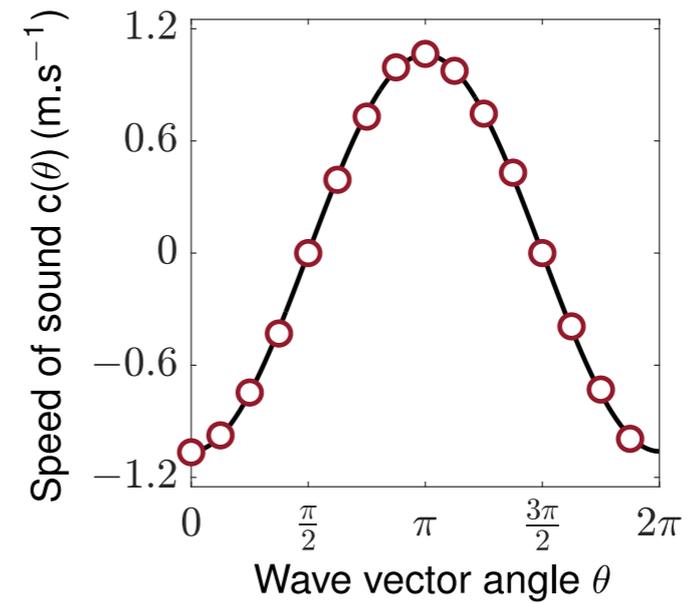
$$\varphi = \arg(\mathbf{v})$$



Speed waves



Dispersion relation
 $\omega = c(\theta)q$



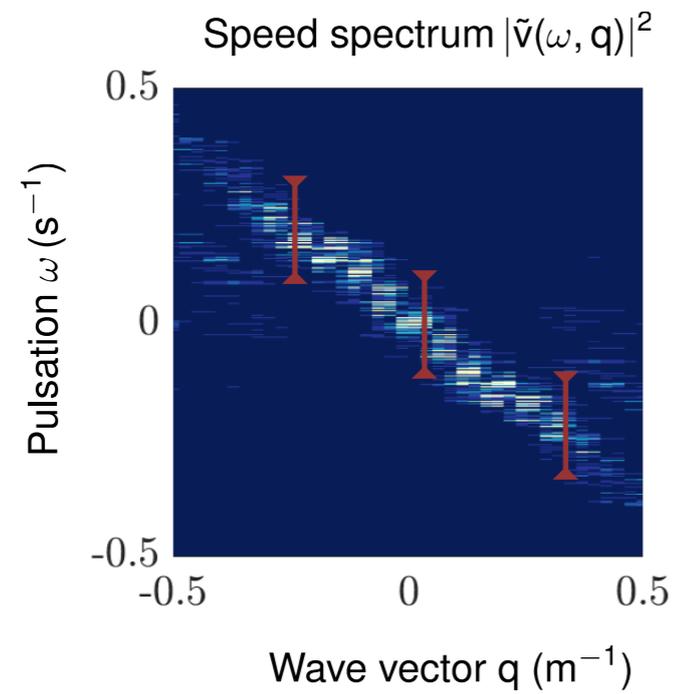
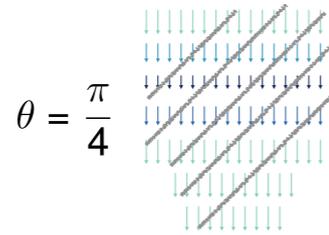
Angular variations
 $c(\theta) = -c_0 \cos \theta$

Upstream transport only

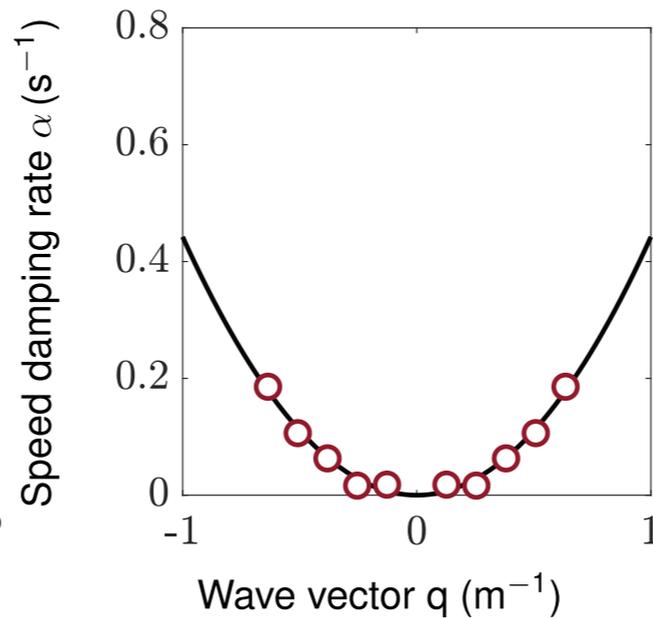
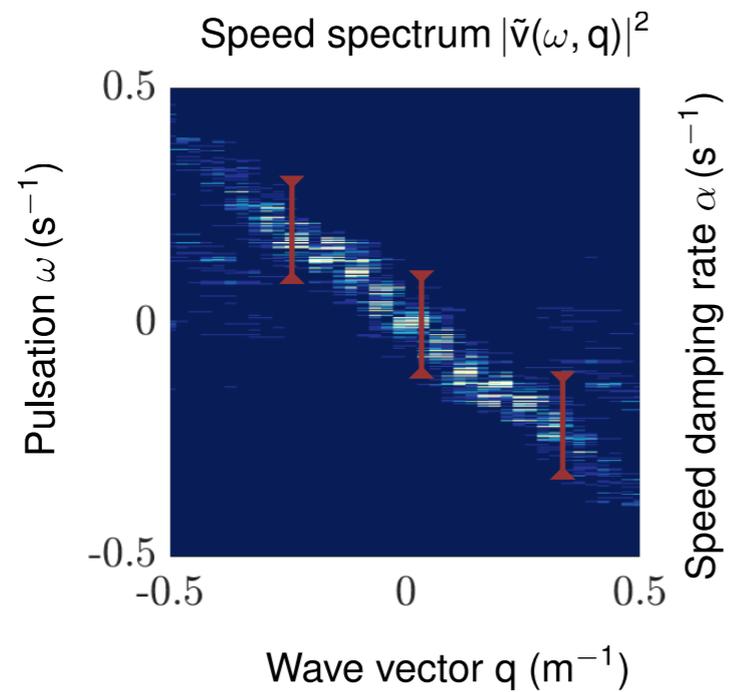
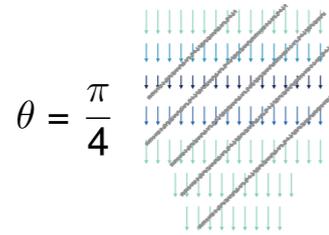
$$\omega = -c_0 q_x$$

$$c_0 = 1.2 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$$

Flow-speed damping



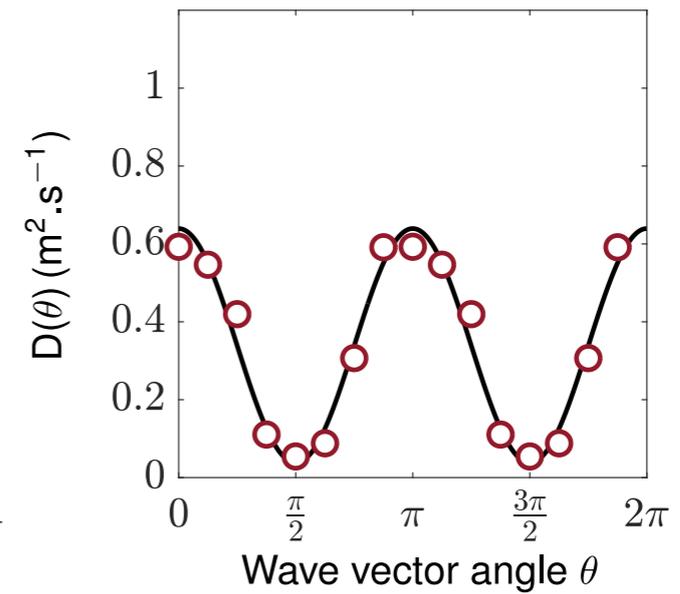
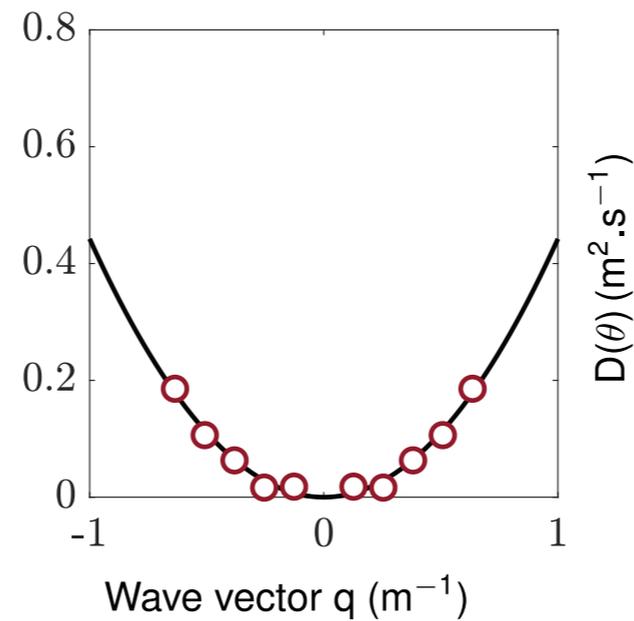
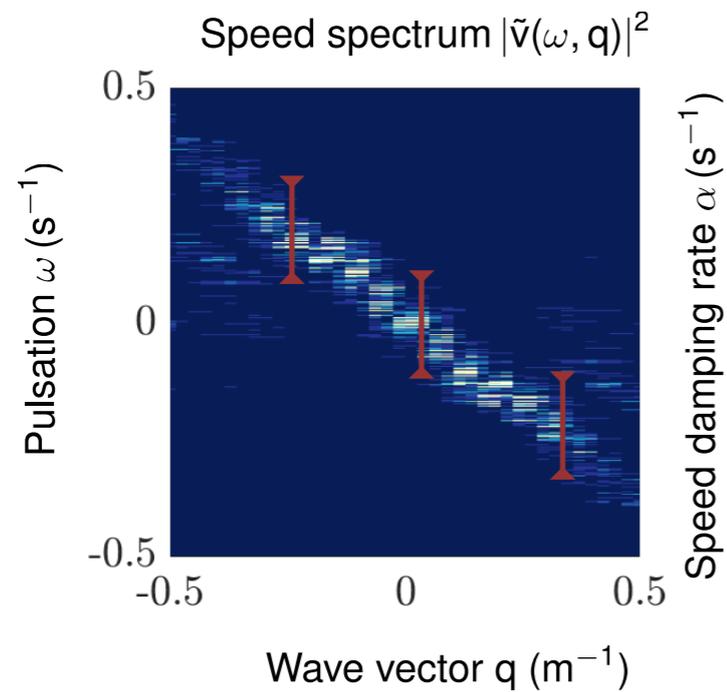
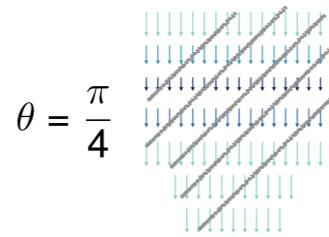
Flow-speed damping



Diffusive damping

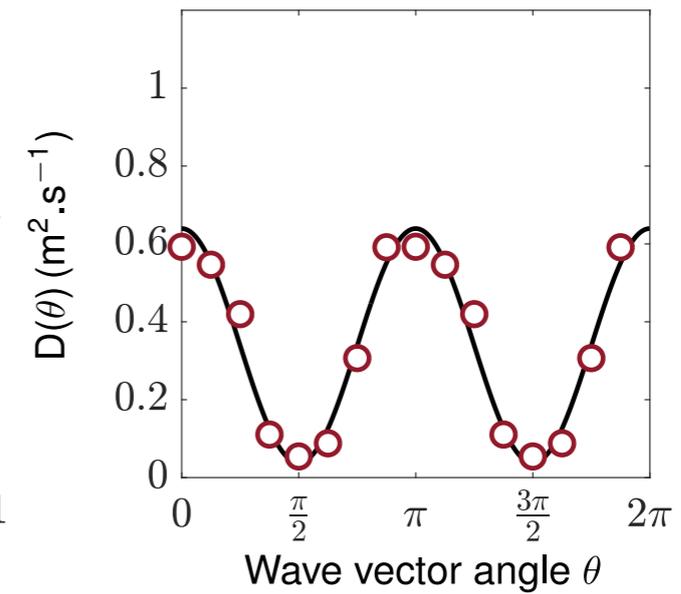
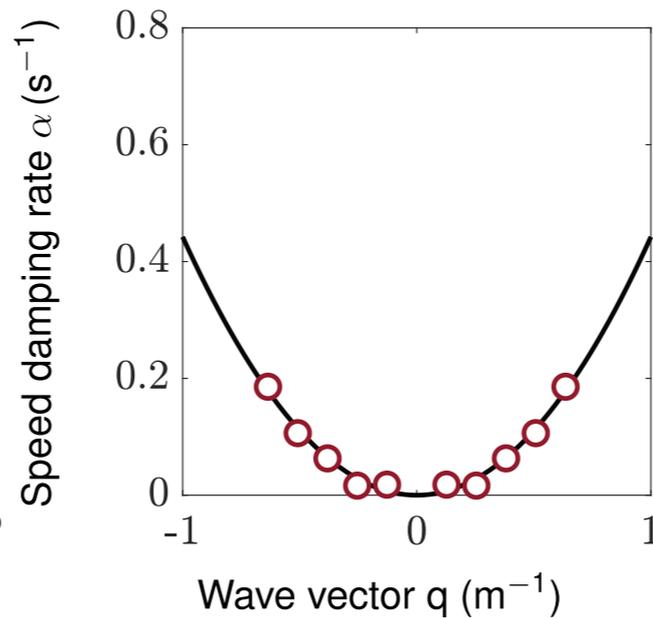
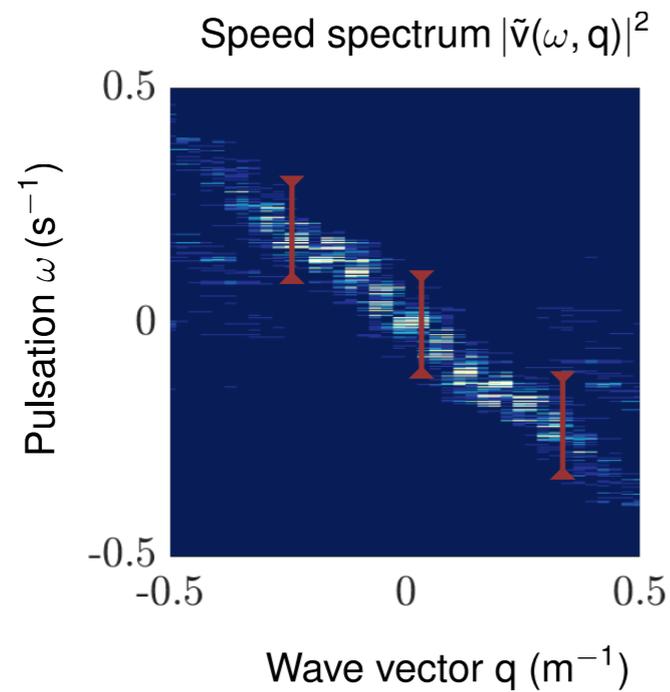
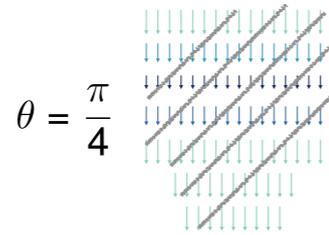
$$\alpha = D(\theta)q^2$$

Flow-speed damping



$$D(\theta) = D_0 \cos^2 \theta$$
$$D_0 = 0.6 \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$$

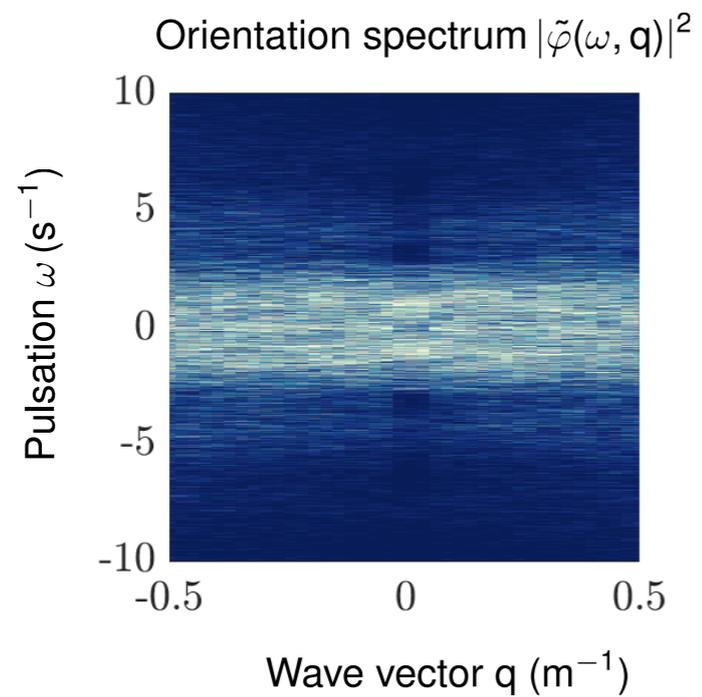
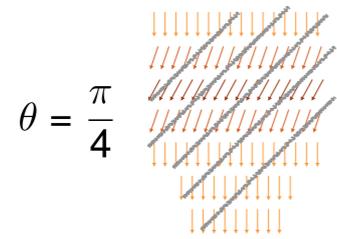
Flow-speed damping



Slow 1D longitudinal dynamics

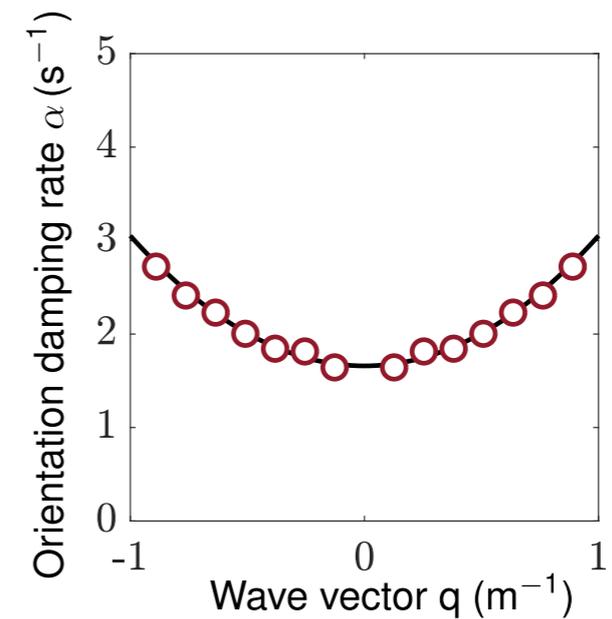
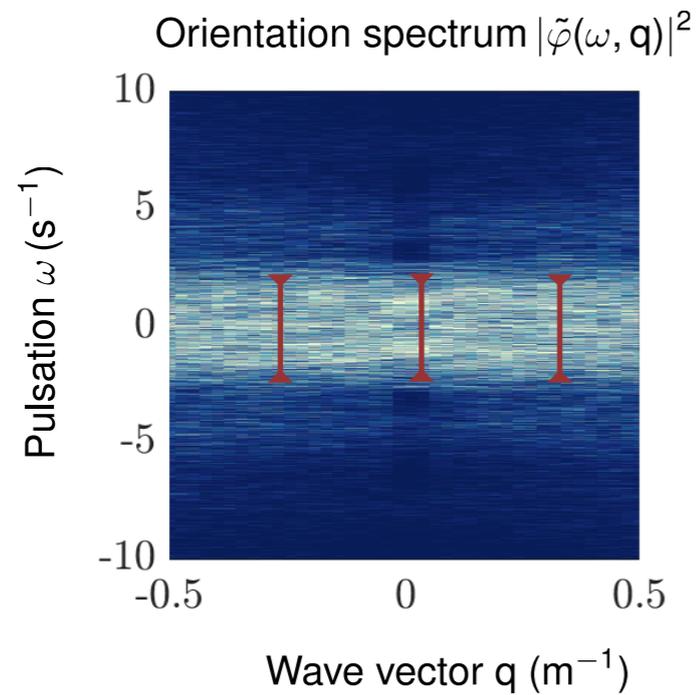
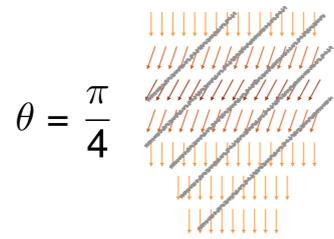
$$i\omega = -icq_x - D_0q_x^2$$

Orientational dynamics



Orientational fluctuations
are overdamped

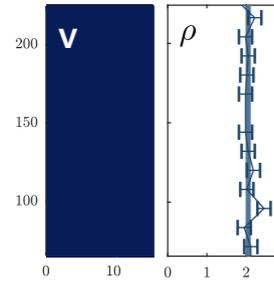
Orientational dynamics



Fast overdamped 2D dynamics

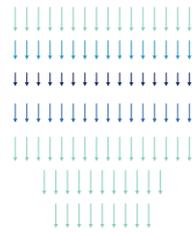
$$i\omega = -\alpha_0 - D_x q_x^2 - D_y q_y^2$$

Polarized crowds



1) Static polarised crowds are homogeneous

$$\mathbf{v} = 0 \longrightarrow \rho = 2.2 \pm .05 \text{ m}^{-2}$$



3) Flow speed: slow 1D dynamics, no intrinsic relaxation scale

$$i\omega = -ic_0q_x - D_0q_x^2$$



4) Flow orientation: fast relation at all scales

$$i\omega = -\alpha_0 + \mathcal{O}(q^2)$$

Crowd hydrodynamics

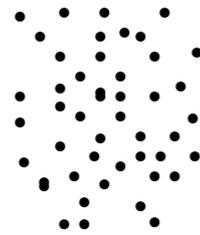
Conservation laws, symmetries & phenomenology

No behavioral assumption

Three fields

Density

ρ



Velocity

\mathbf{v}



Polarization

\mathbf{p}



Simplifying observation

- People do not walk sideways

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \hat{\mathbf{p}}$$

Conservation laws

Mass conservation:

$$\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0$$

Momentum conservation:

$$\rho \mathbf{D}_t \mathbf{v} = \nabla \cdot \sigma + \mathbf{F}_f$$

Overdamped angular dynamic

$$\partial_t \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{T}$$

Stress field

Momentum conservation:

$$\rho D_t \mathbf{v} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{F}_f$$

Pressure stress

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = -P(\rho) + \mathcal{O}(\nabla)$$

Linear response

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \sim -\beta \nabla \rho$$

Body force

Momentum conservation:

$$\rho D_t \mathbf{v} = -\beta \nabla \rho + \mathbf{F}_f$$

Friction Force



Body force

Momentum conservation:

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Friction Force



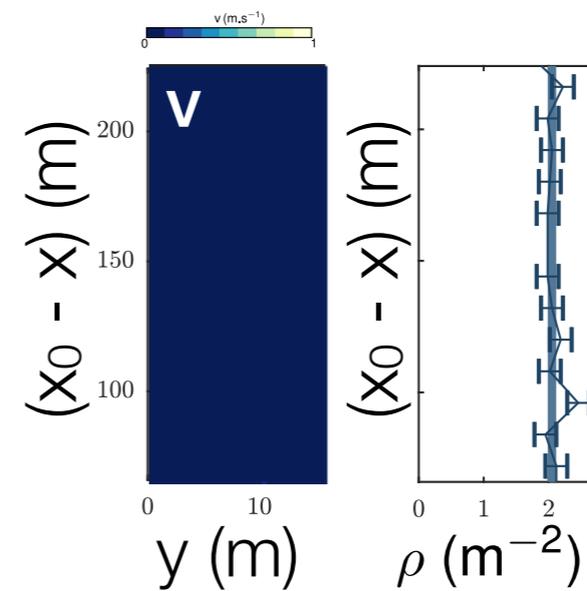
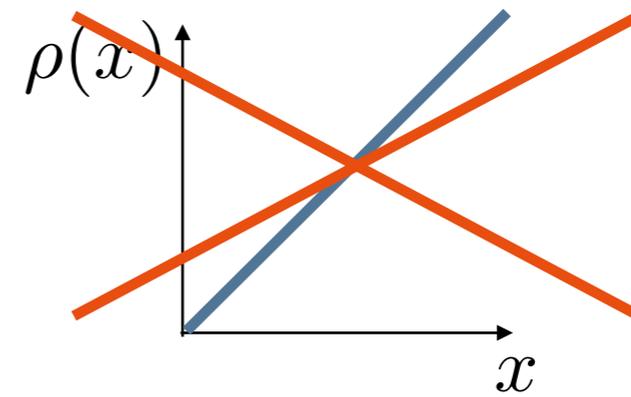
$$\mathbf{F}_f = -\Gamma \cdot (\mathbf{v} - \nu_0 \mathbf{p}) + \mathcal{O}(\nabla)$$

Crowd hydrostatics

Force Balance

$$0 = -\beta \nabla \rho + \nu_0 \mathbf{p}$$

$$\nu_0(\rho_0) = 0$$



Constant & uniform density

$$\rho_0 = 2.2 \pm .05 \text{ m}^{-2}$$

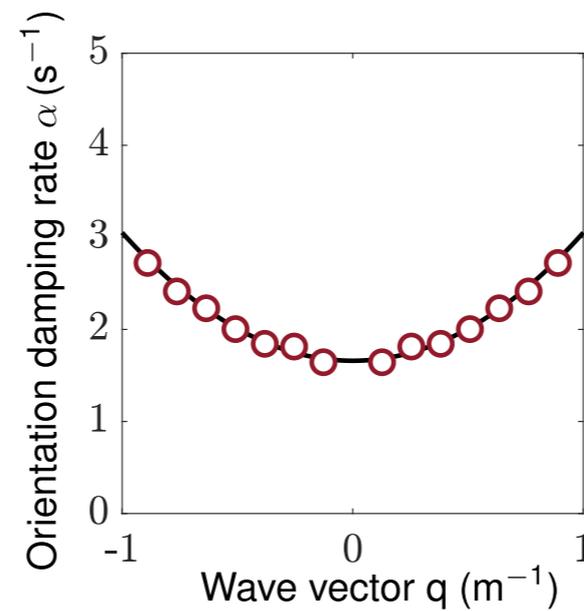
Body torque

Angular dynamics

$$\partial_t \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{T}$$

Friction Torque

$$\mathbf{T} = -\Gamma_r (\mathbf{p} - h\hat{\mathbf{x}})$$



Polarized crowd hydrodynamics

$$\partial_t v - c_0 \partial_x v - D_0 \partial_x^2 v = 0$$

$$c_0 = -\rho_0 \nu'_0(\rho_0)$$

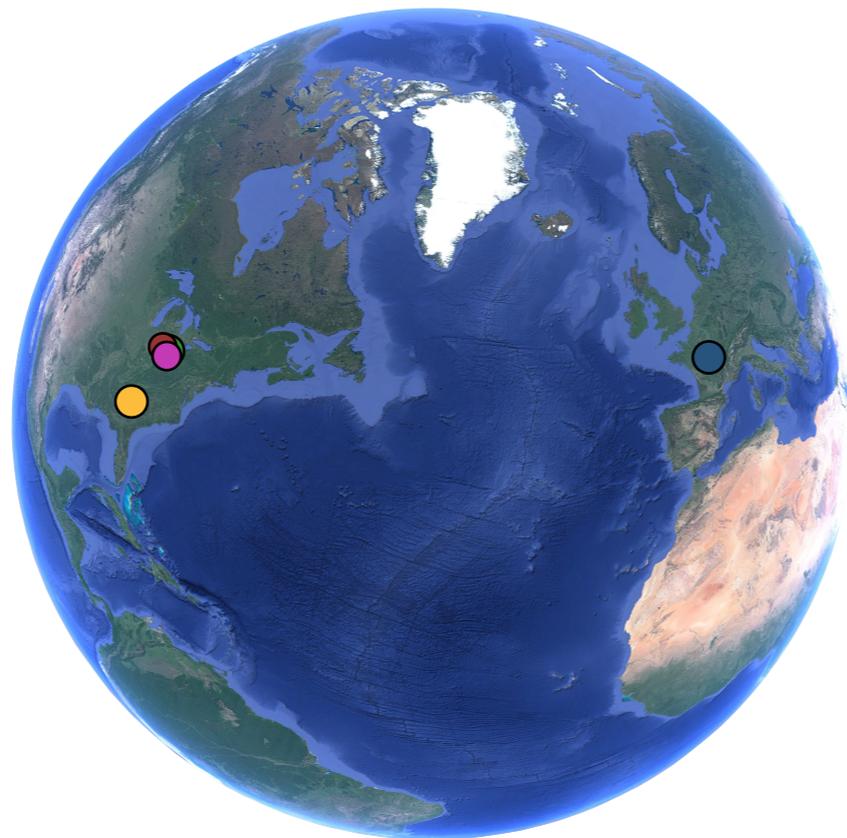
Active friction

$$D_0 = \frac{\rho_0 \beta}{\Gamma_x}$$

Compressibility

Predictive theory?

$$\partial_t v - c_0 \partial_x v - D_0 \partial_x^2 v = 0$$



2016 Chicago Marathon

2017 Chicago Marathon

2017 Paris Marathon

2017 Peach Tree Road Race

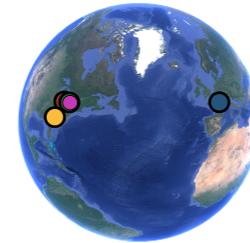
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Predictive theory

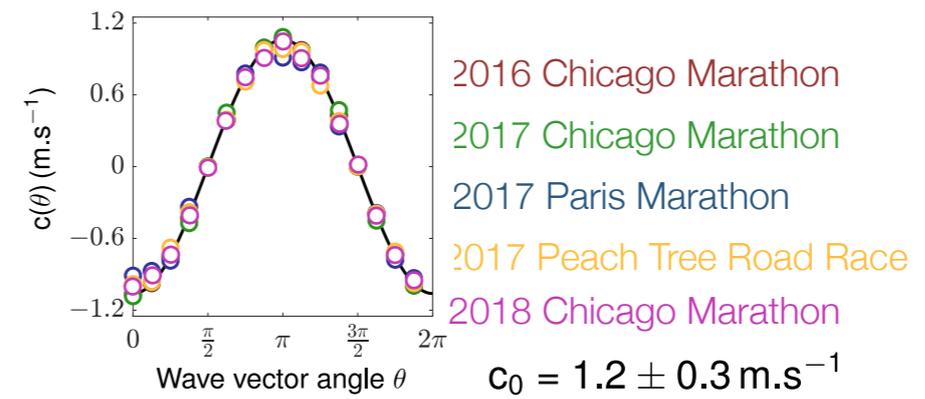
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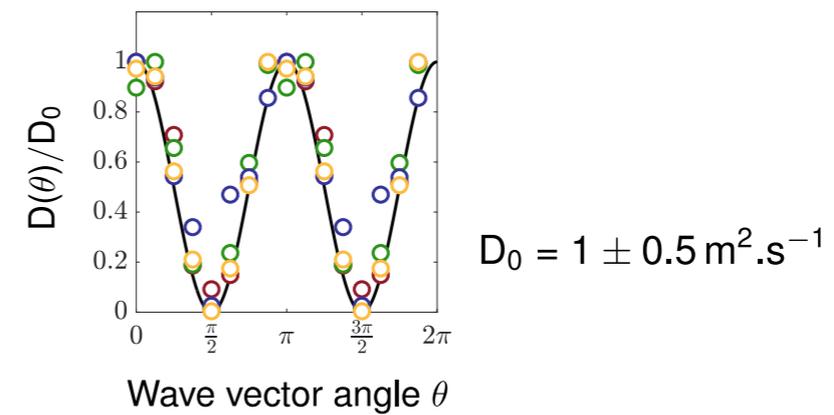
2018



Wave speed



Diffusive damping



Camille Jorge



Amélie Chardac



Alexis Poncet



Nicolas Bain



Alexandre Morin



Delphine Geyer





