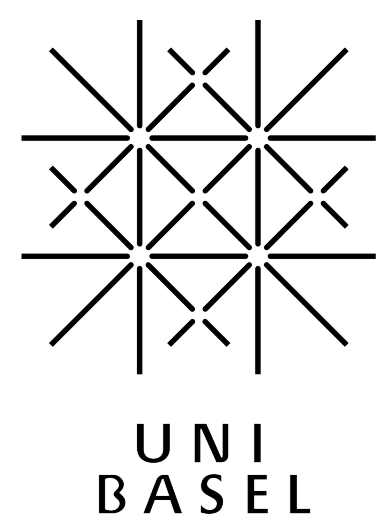


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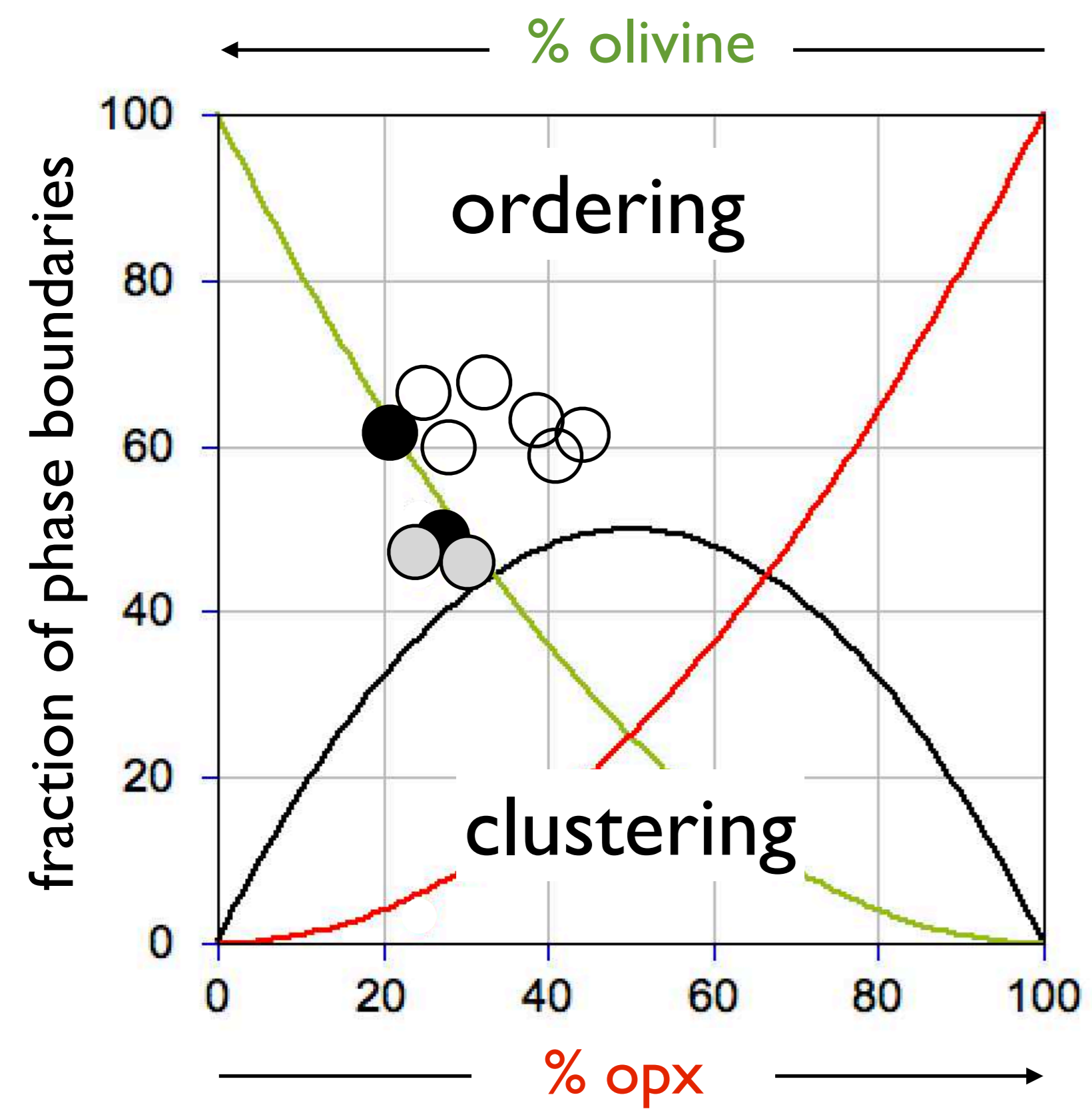
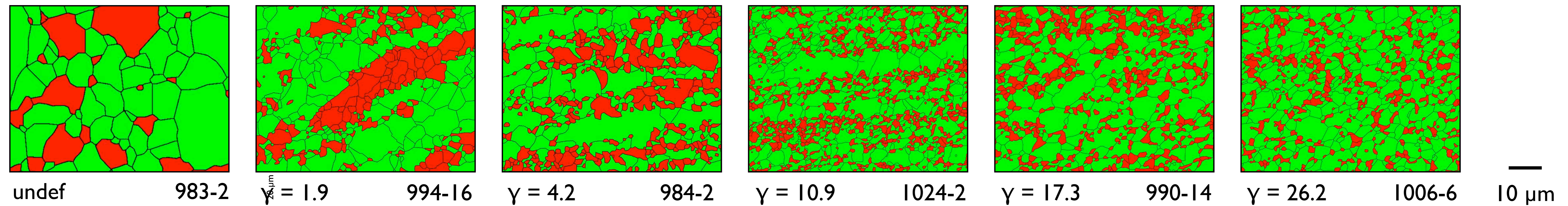


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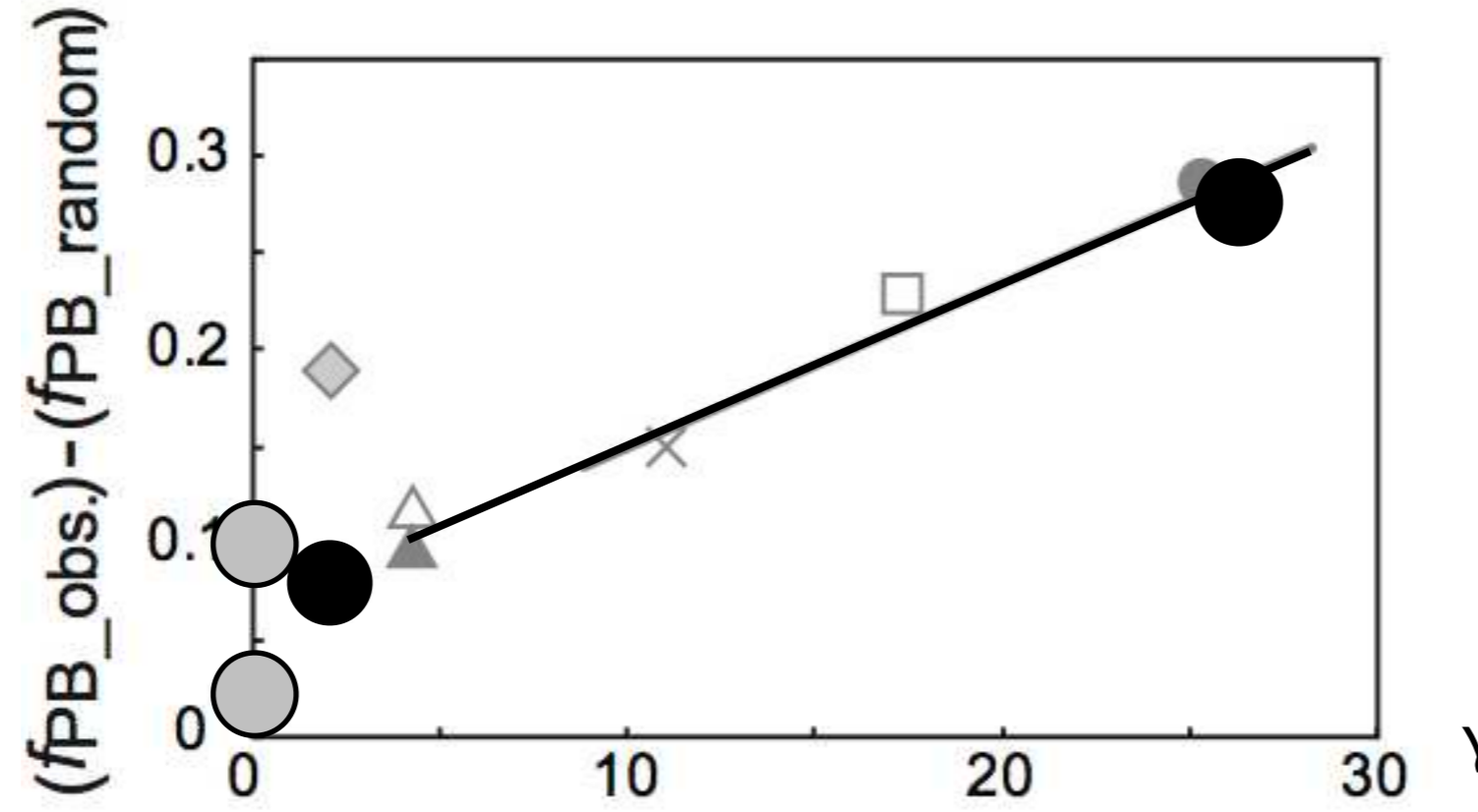
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So, what else is there to do ?

1. use surface % instead of volume %
2. observe oxp-oxp and ol-ol contacts in addition to phase
3. consider influence of grain size
4. observe directional variations of clustering & ordering

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# the experiments

## the lab

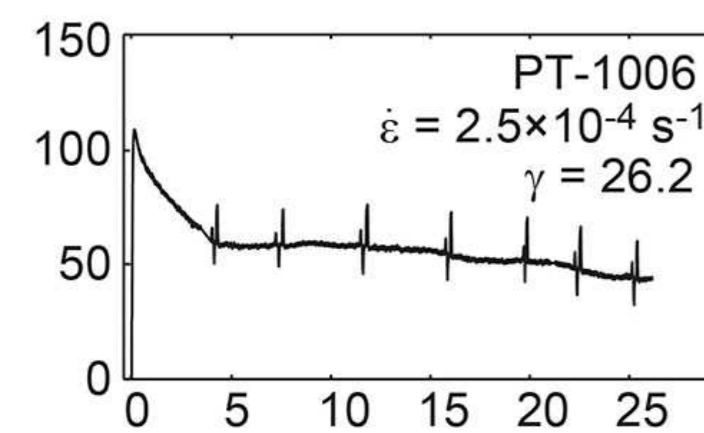


Gas medium High pressure Torsion apparatus (UMN)

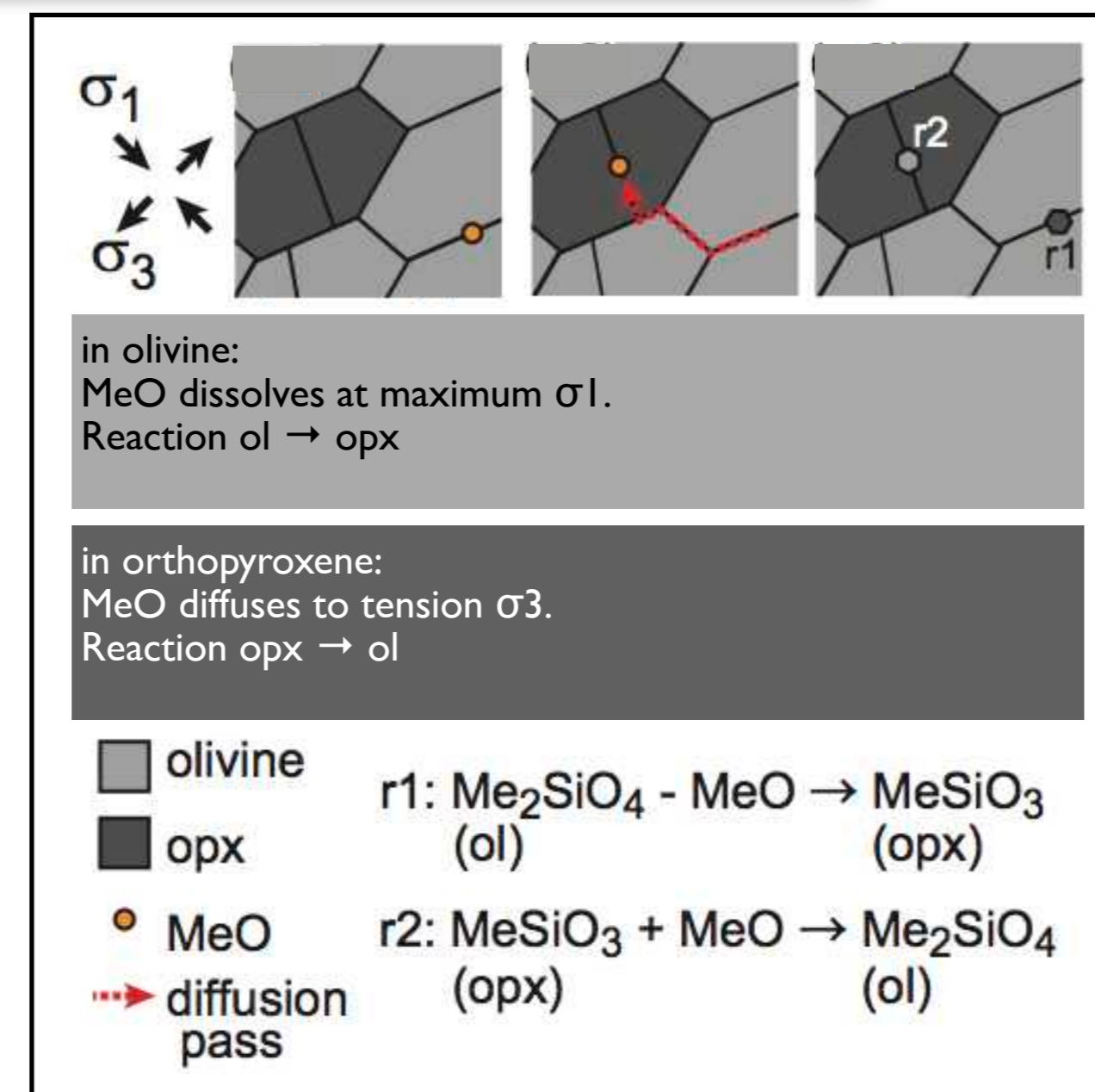
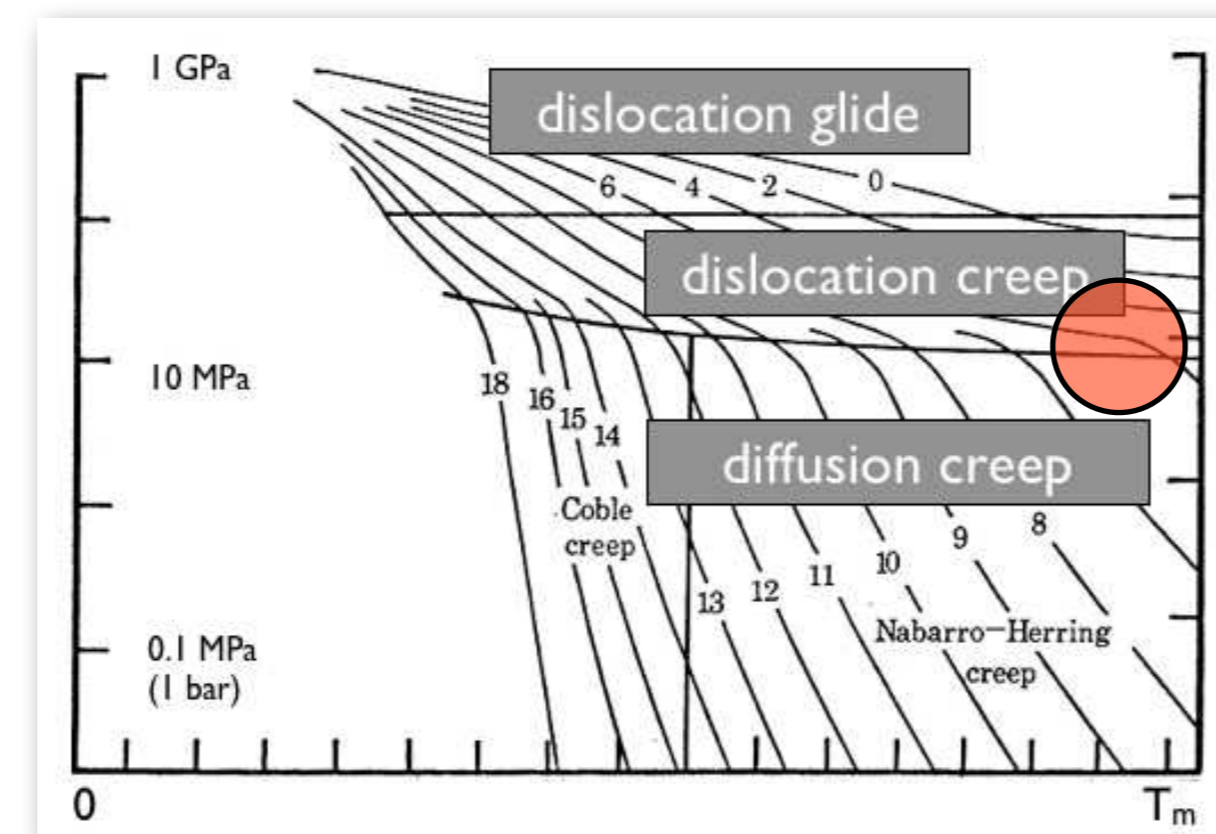


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70% iron-rich olivine  
30% orthopyroxene  
hotpressed @1200°C  
d ~15 μm



$p_c = 300 \text{ MPa}$   
 $T = 1200^\circ\text{C}$

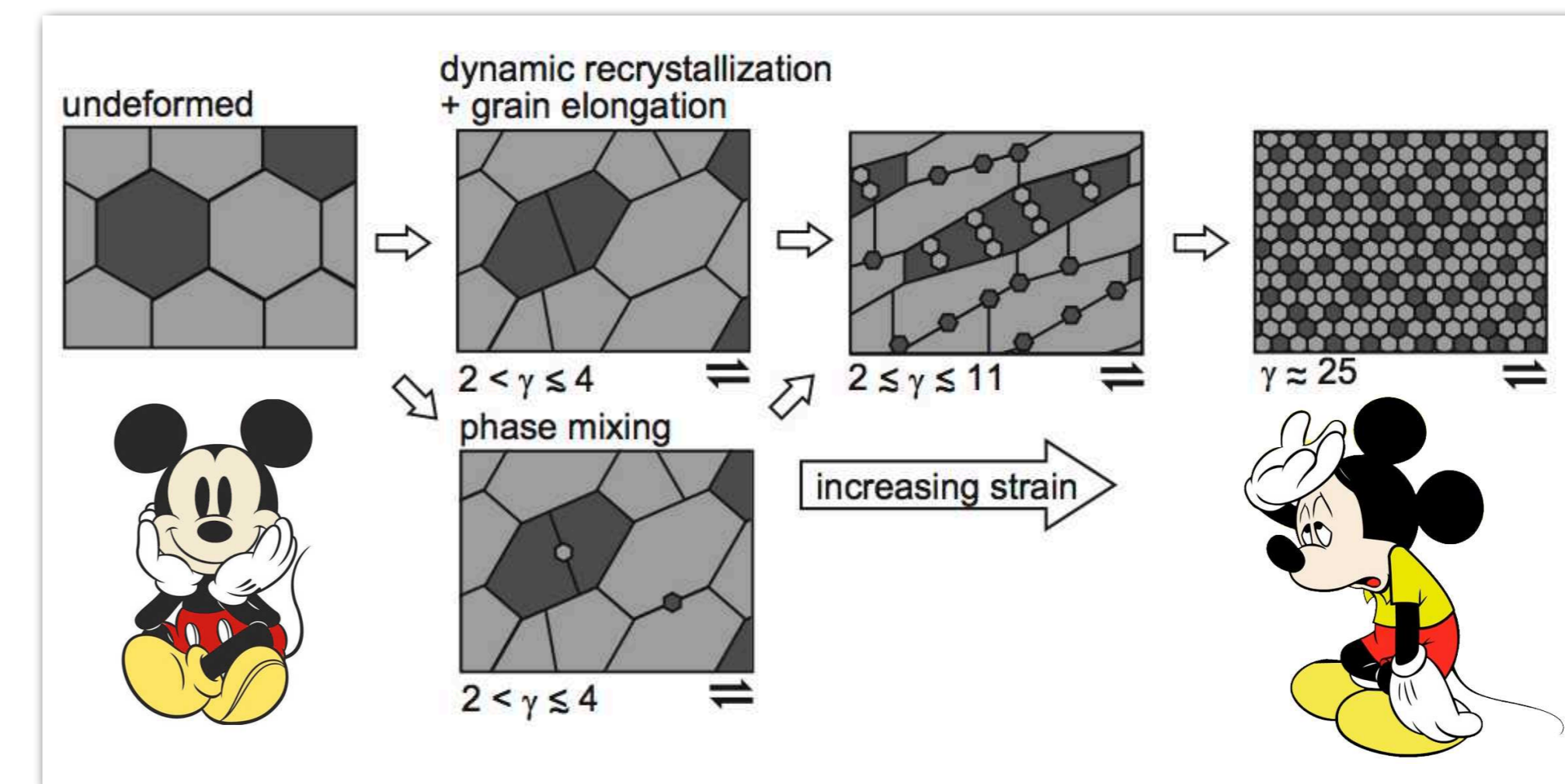


## the paper

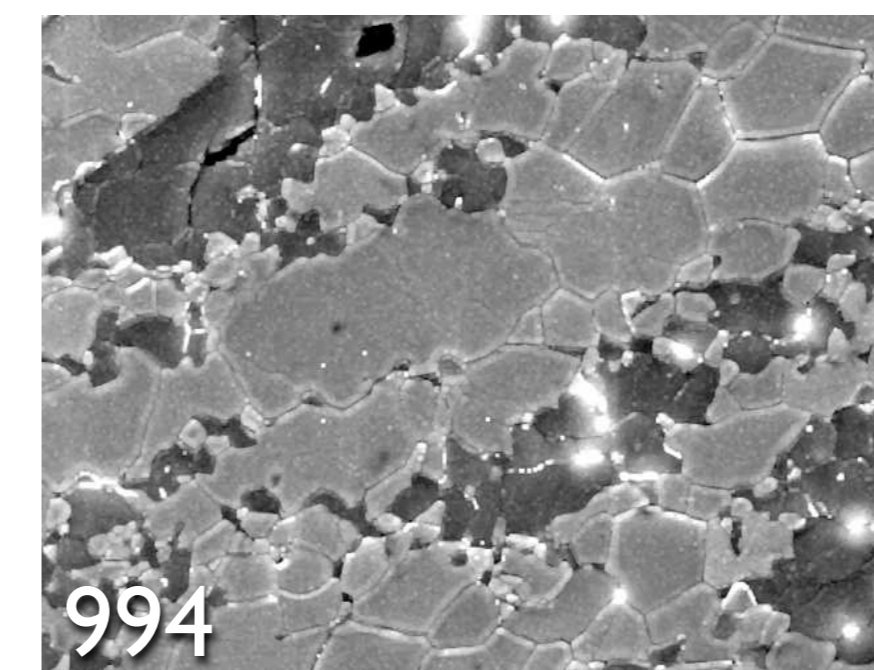
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## the motivation

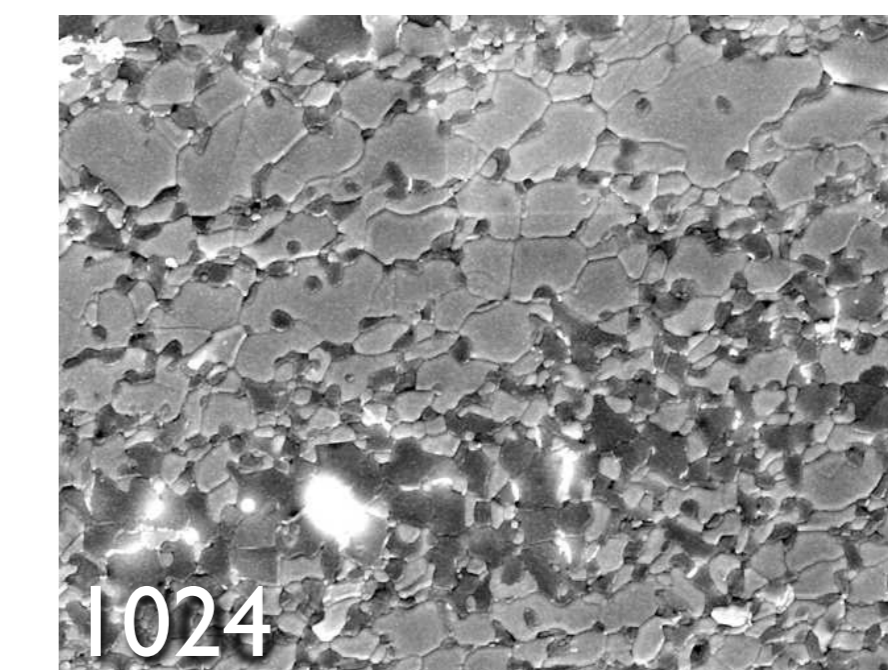
$\dot{\epsilon} = A \cdot \Delta\sigma^n \cdot \exp(-Q/RT)$ 
increasing strain  $\rightarrow$ 
 $\dot{\epsilon} = A \cdot \Delta\sigma^n \cdot d^m \cdot \exp(-Q/RT)$



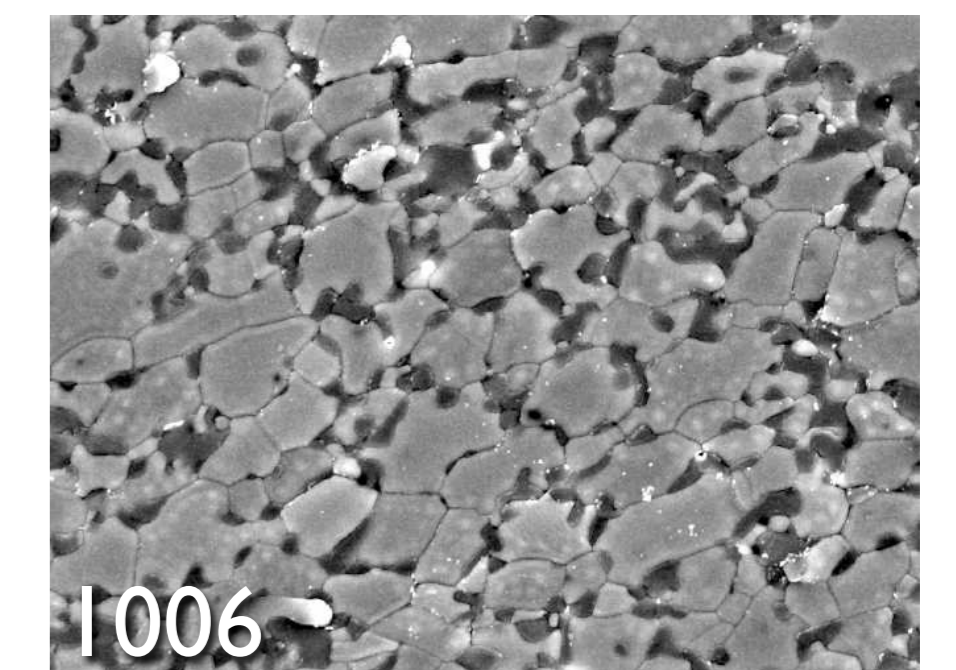
dislocation creep ?



phase mixing ?

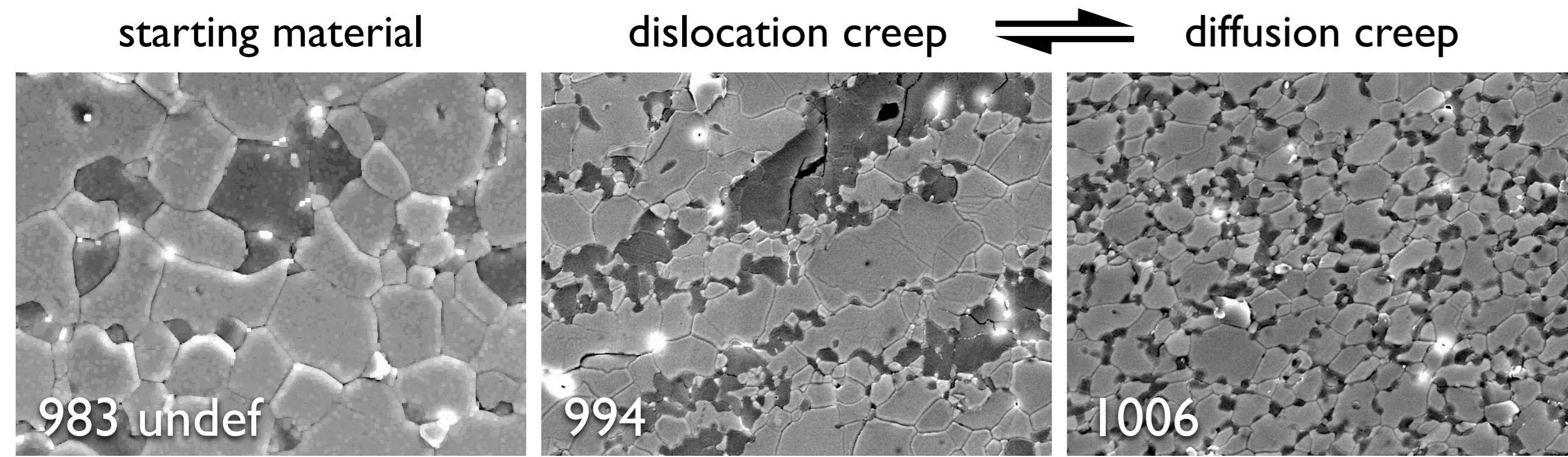


diffusion creep ?



10 μm

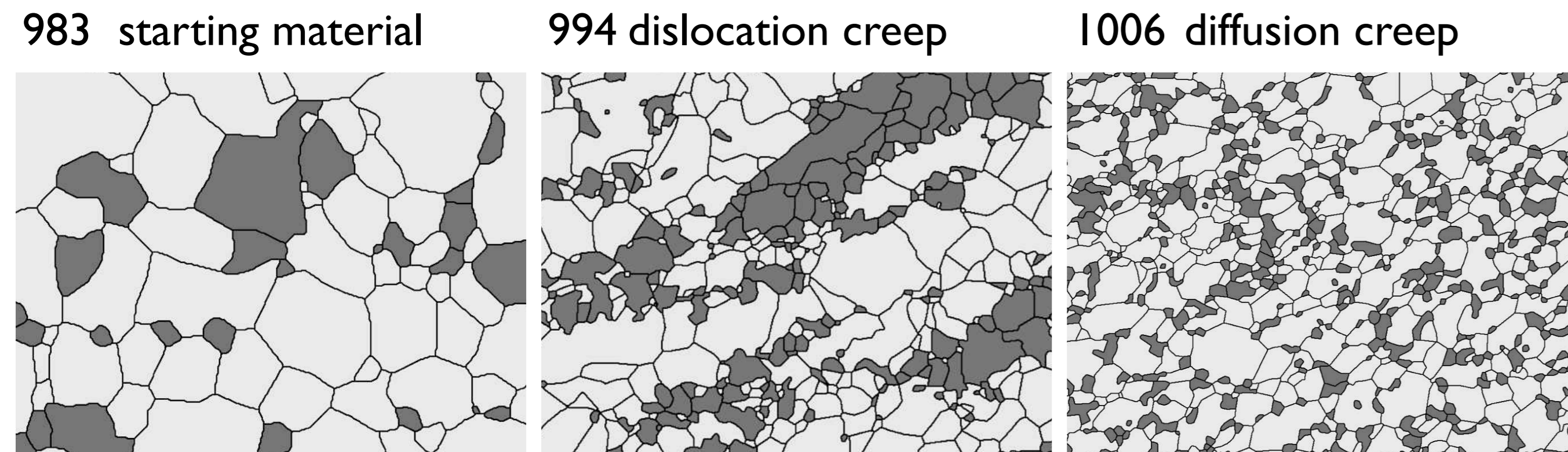
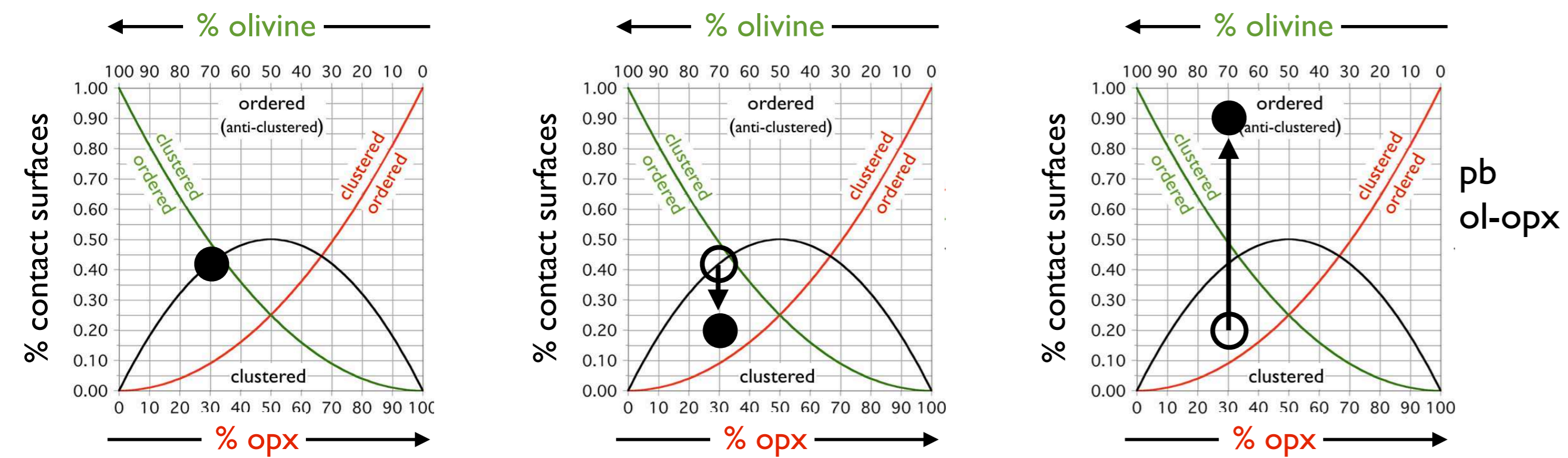
# what we expected ... and what we got



'great expectations'

with respect to spatial distribution

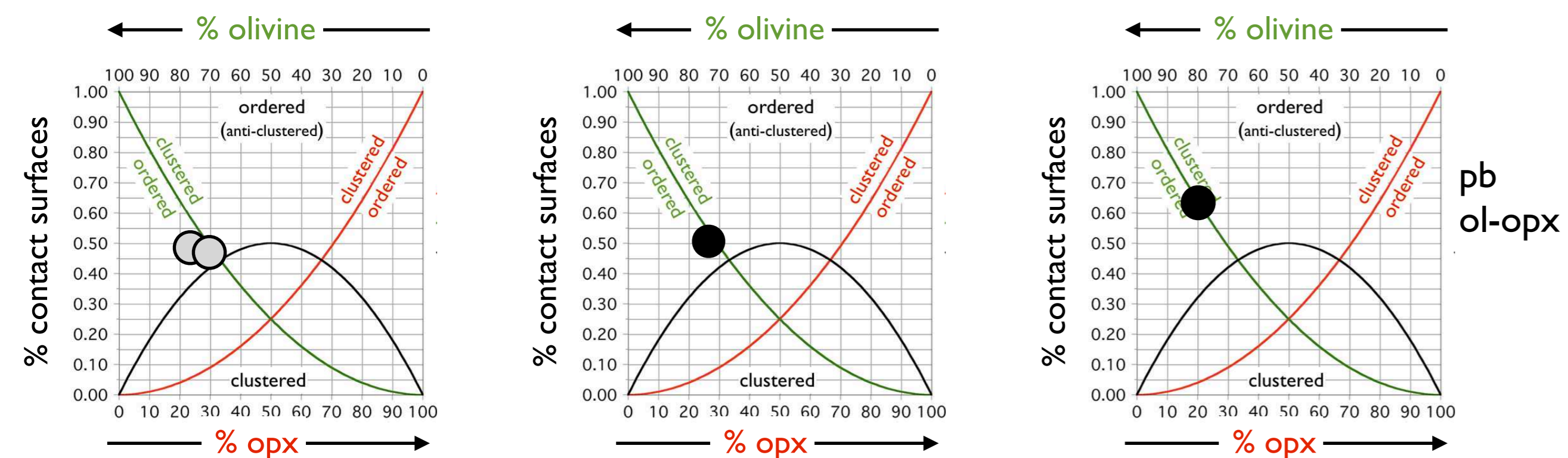
1. mixing creates random starting material
2. recrystallization creates clusterring during dislocation creep
3. heterogeneous nucleation creates ordering during diffusion creep



... but, instead ...

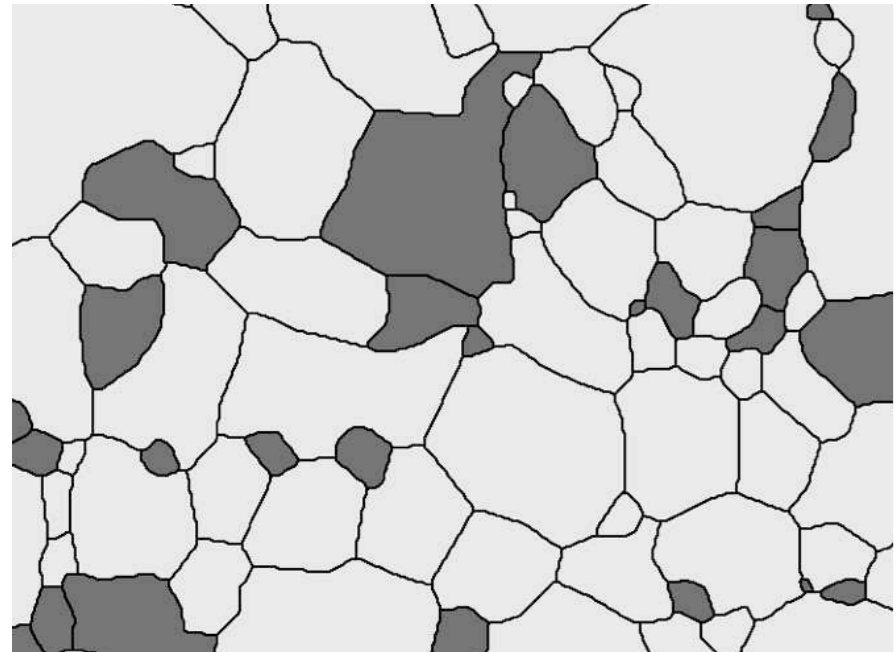
with respect to spatial distribution

1. starting material is ordered
2. ordering increases already during dislocation creep
3. continuously increasing ordering during diffusion creep

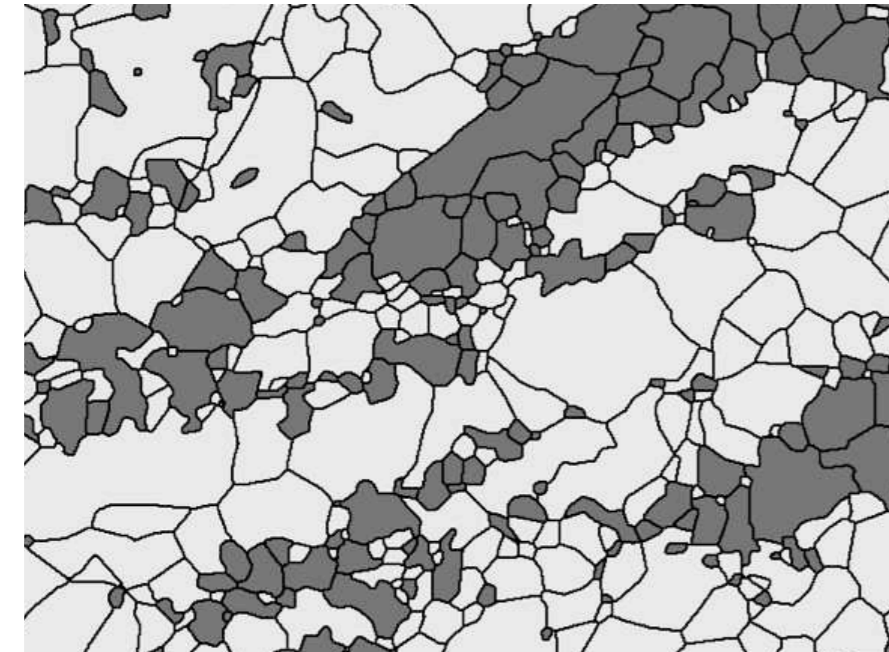


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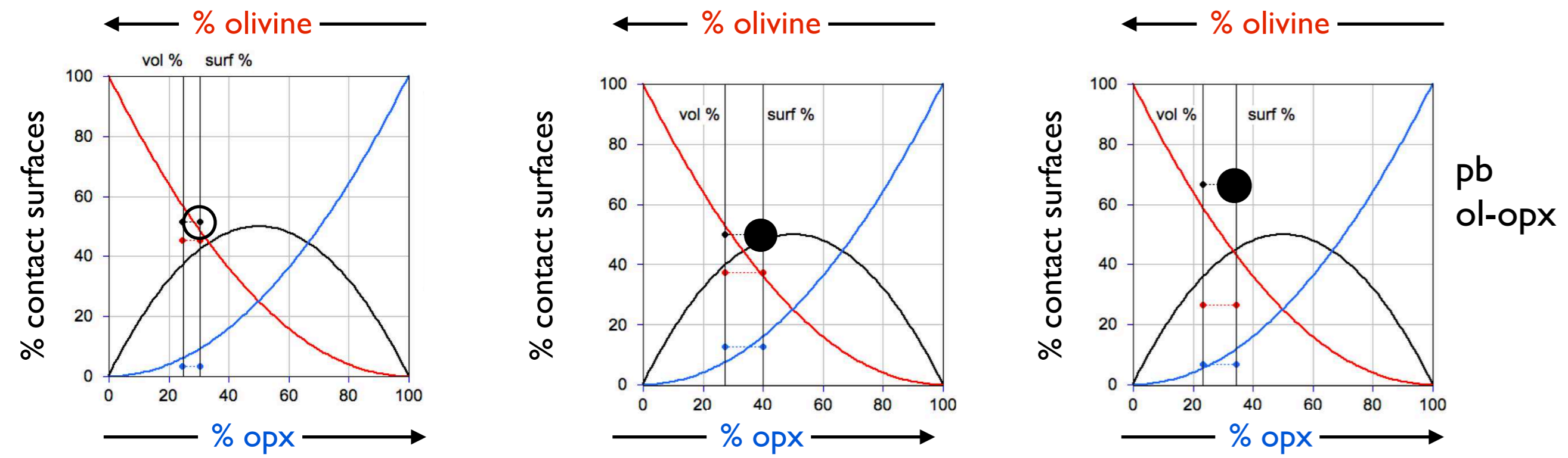
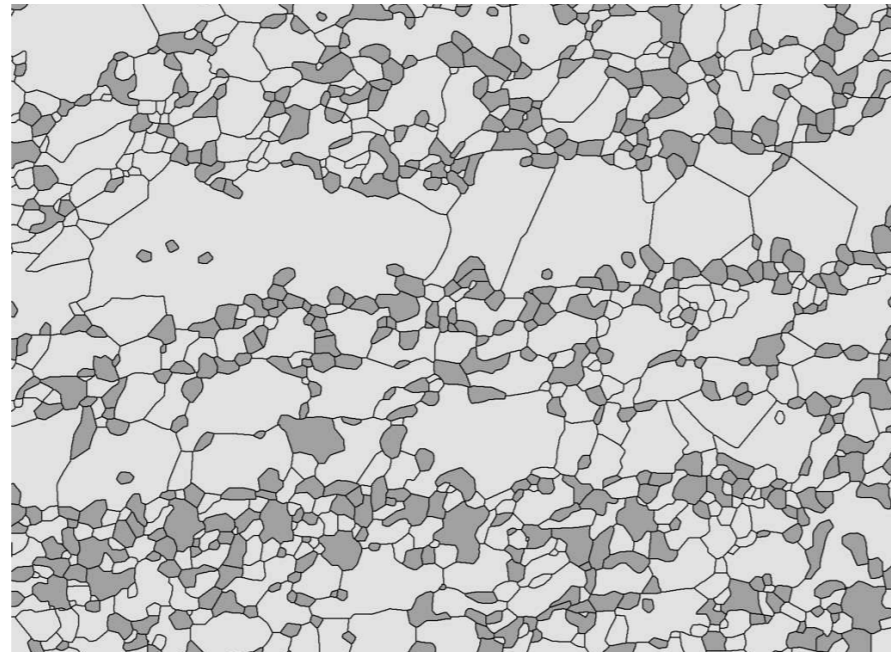
983 starting material



994 dislocation creep



1024 diffusion creep



plotted against surface fraction !

grain size and shape are important

what is the effect ?

with respect to spatial distribution

1. starting material is still ordered
2. during dislocation creep ordering is reduced, more clustered
3. during diffusion creep strong ordering is achieved

reasoning behind it

if grain size of both phases is the same, i.e.,  
if  $gs A = gs B$  (and same shape):

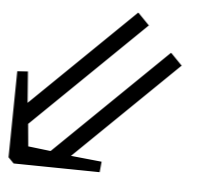
- $\Rightarrow$  volume proportions and surface proportions are the same
- $\Rightarrow vol\% A = surf\% A$  and  $vol\% B = surf\% B$

BUT

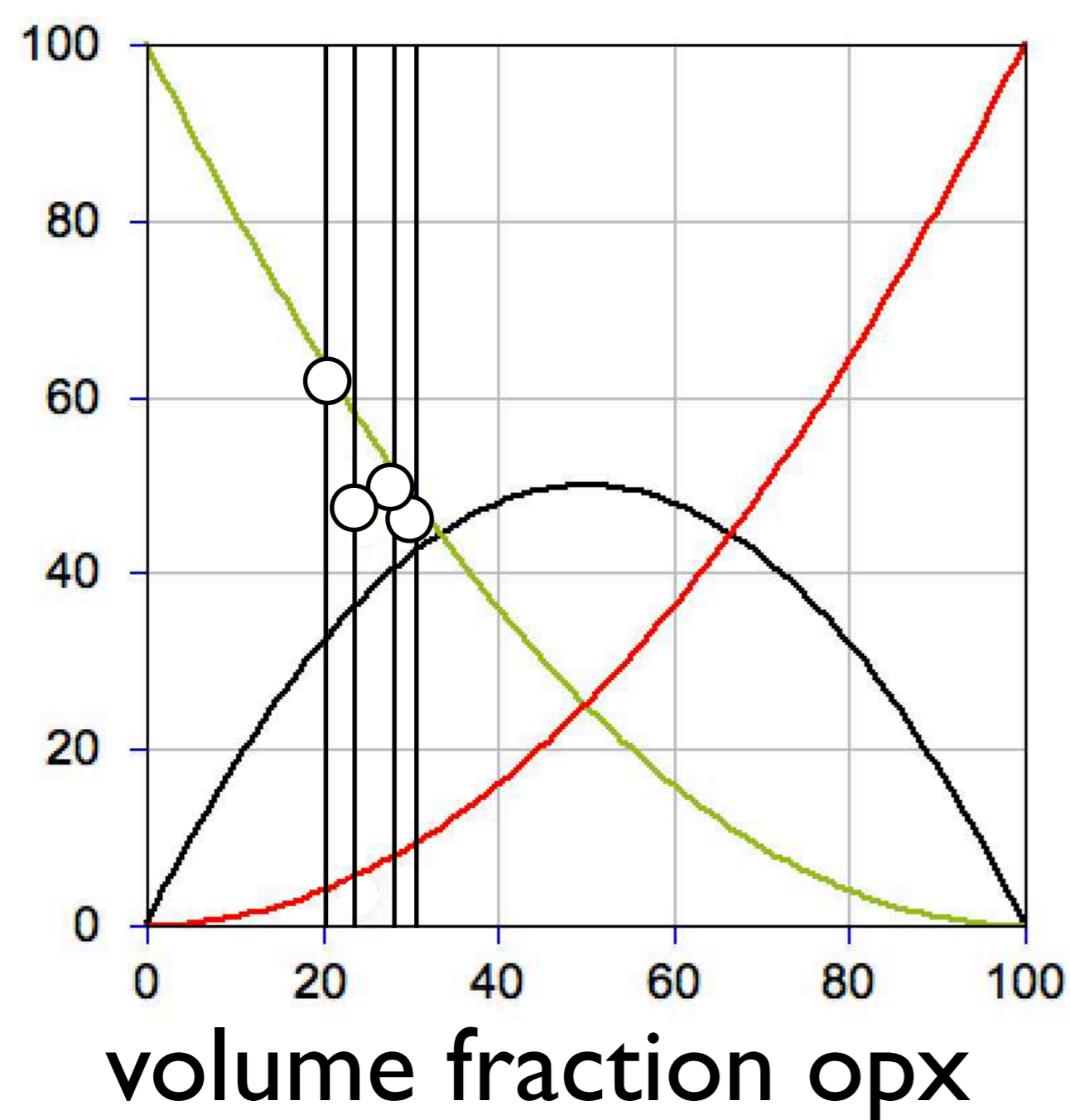
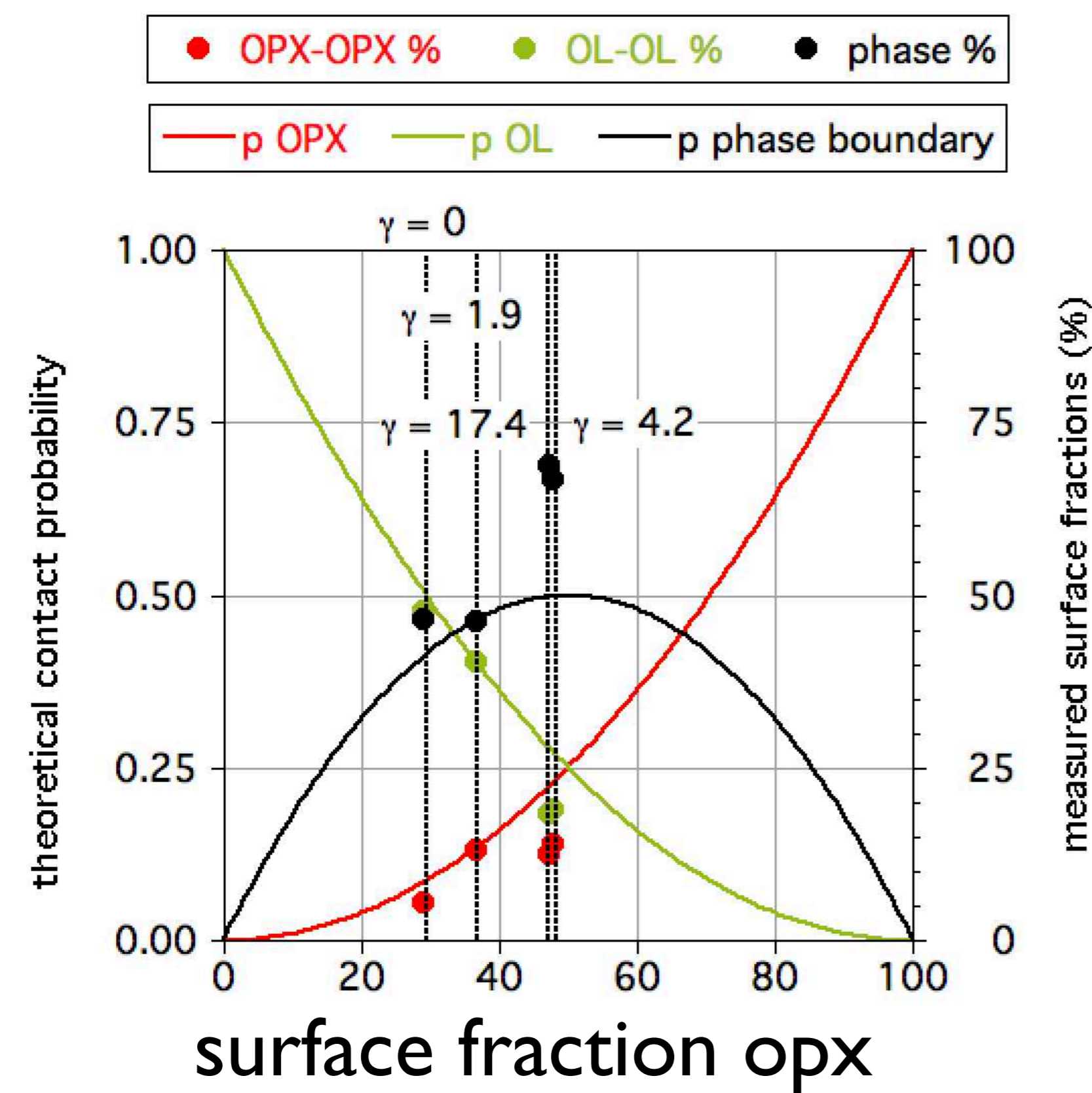
if the grain size is different, for example  
if  $gs A < gs B$  (but both the same shape<sup>\*)</sup>):  
then, for a given volume proportion of A,

<sup>\*)</sup> same / similar elongation  
same / similar PARIS factor, etc.

- $\Rightarrow$  surface proportions of A is larger than the surface proportion of B
- $\Rightarrow$  if  $vol\% A = vol\% B$ ,  $surf\% A > surf\% B$



# 2. additional observations of opx-opx and ol-ol contacts



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information we had from phase contacts

1.  $\text{phase}_{\text{observed}} > \text{phase}_{\text{expected}} \Rightarrow$  excess phase boundaries  
 $\Rightarrow$  starting material is still ordered
2.  $\text{phase}_{\text{observed}} \approx \text{phase}_{\text{expected}} \Rightarrow$  random spatial distribution  
 $\Rightarrow$  during dislocation creep ordering is reduced, more clustering
3.  $\text{phase}_{\text{observed}} \gg \text{phase}_{\text{expected}} \Rightarrow$  excess phase boundaries  
 $\Rightarrow$  during diffusion creep strong ordering is achieved

additional information from opx-opx  
additional information from opx-opx

1.  $\text{OPX}_{\text{obs}} < \text{OPX}_{\text{exp}}$  and  $\text{OL}_{\text{obs}} < \text{OL}_{\text{exp}} \Rightarrow$  too few grain boundaries  
 $\Rightarrow$  starting material is still ordered
2.  $\text{OPX}_{\text{obs}} \approx \text{OPX}_{\text{exp}}$  and  $\text{OL}_{\text{obs}} \approx \text{OL}_{\text{exp}} \Rightarrow$  random  
 $\Rightarrow$  during dislocation creep ordering is reduced, more clustering
3.  $\text{OPX}_{\text{obs}} \ll \text{OPX}_{\text{exp}}$  and  $\text{OL}_{\text{obs}} \ll \text{OL}_{\text{exp}} \Rightarrow$  too few grain boundaries  
 $\Rightarrow$  during diffusion creep strong ordering is achieved

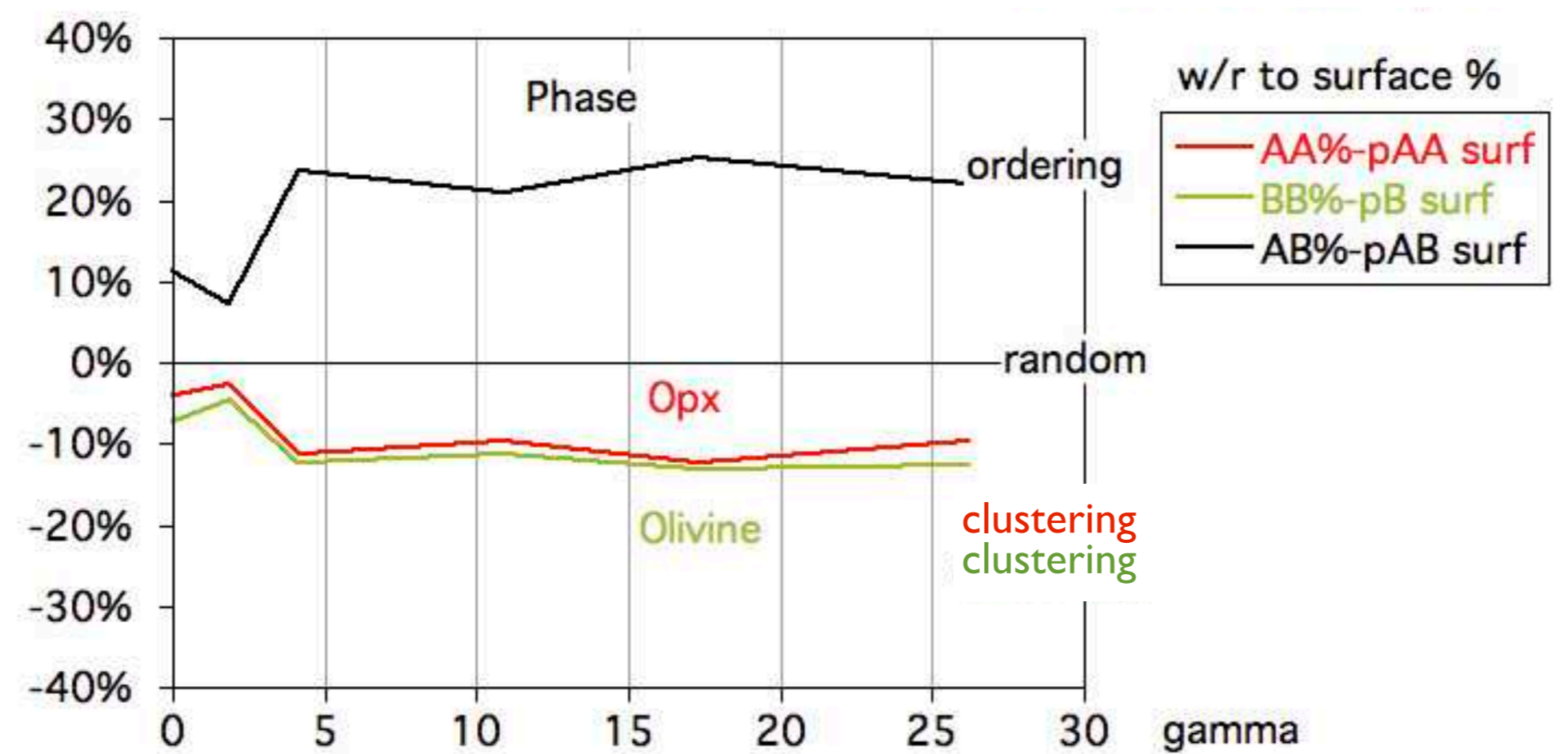
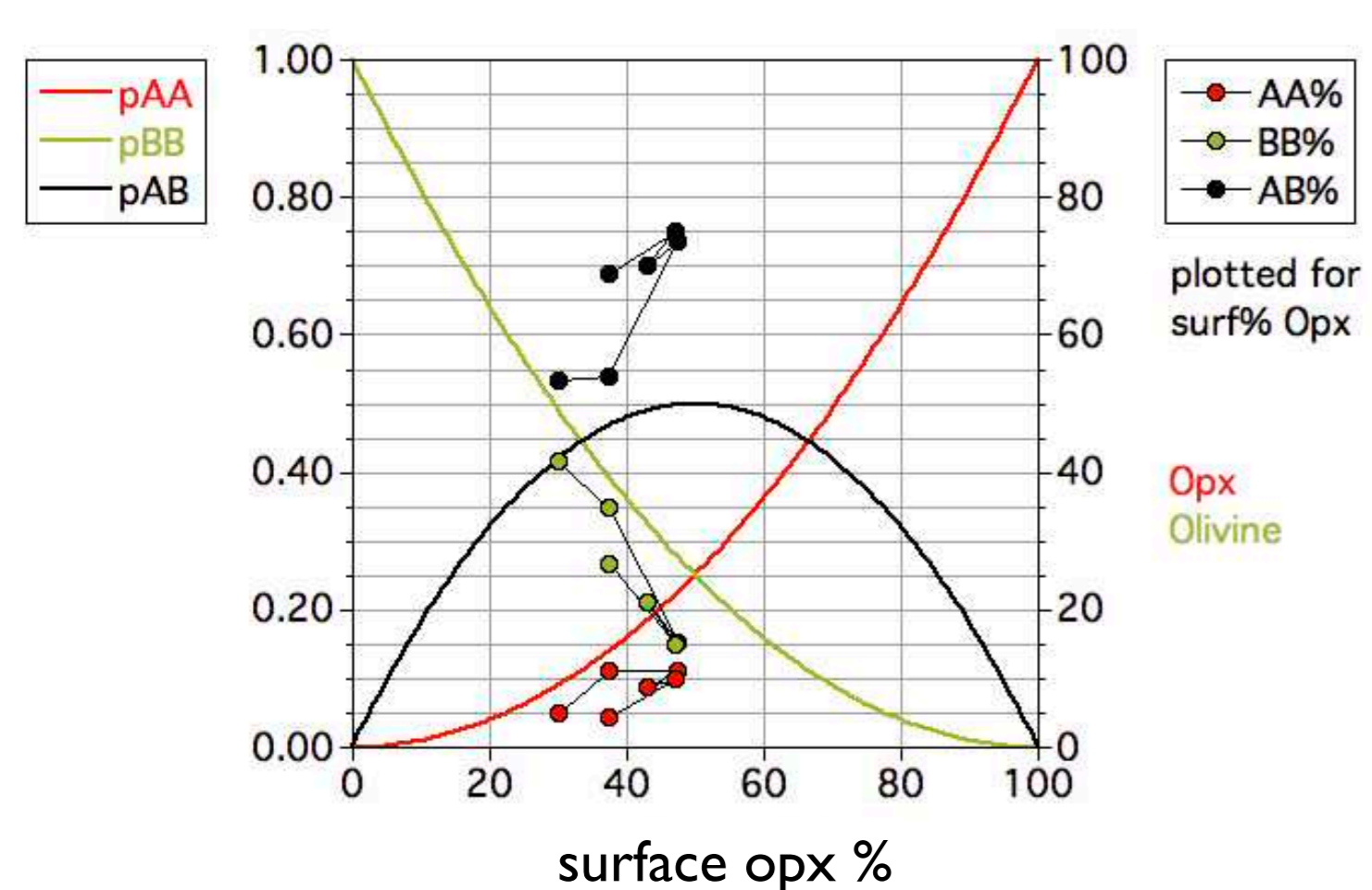
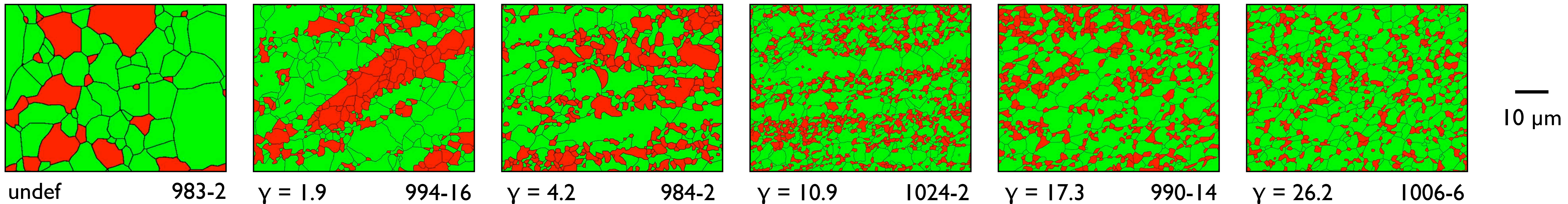
results of opx-opx and ol-ol are consistent

:-)

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comparison  
phase data from JGR  
same samples as above

# complete range of shear strains

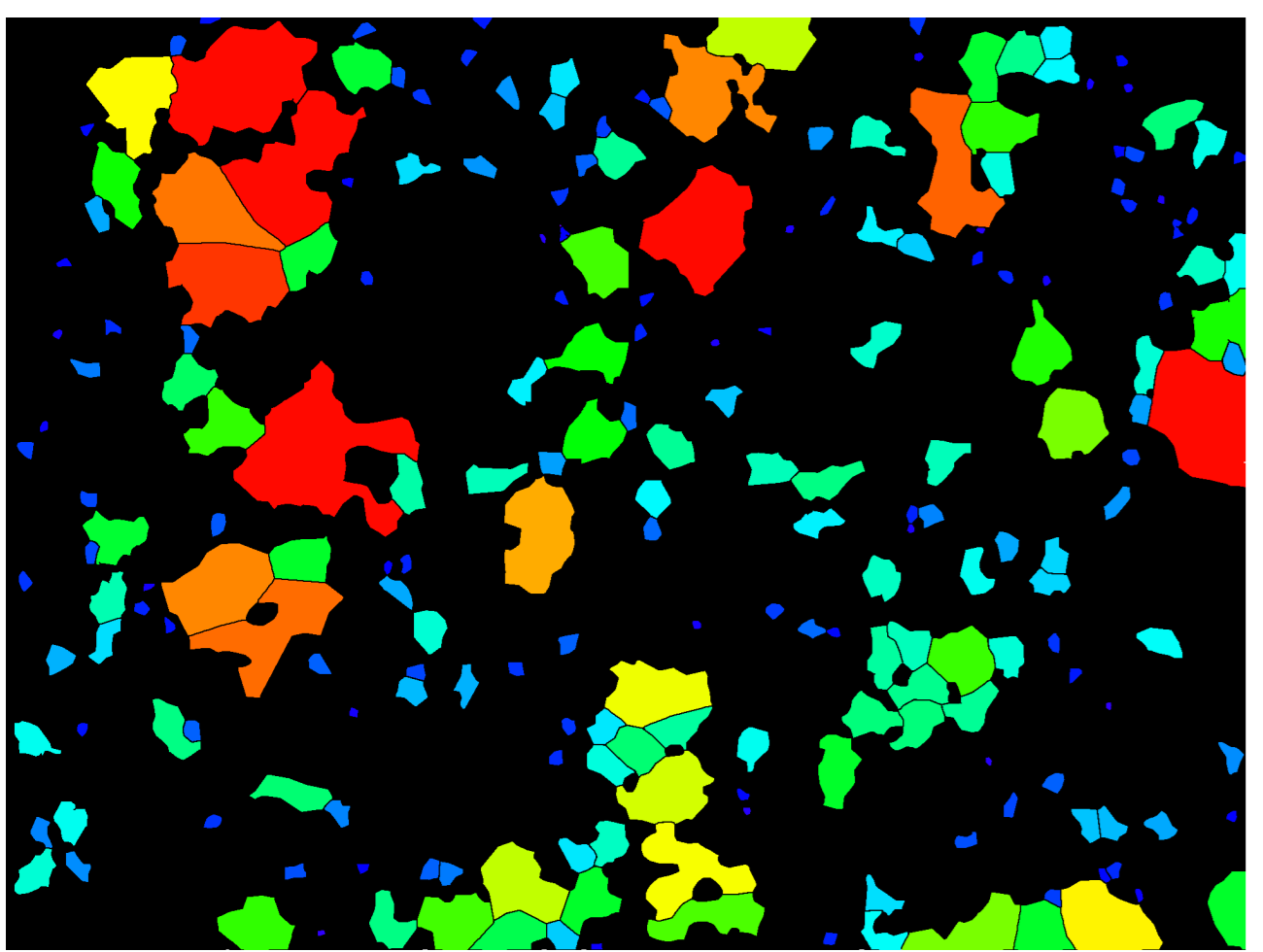


filename	$\gamma$	sample	scale
0.0 983-2 84px=10 $\mu$ m	0.0	983-2	84px=10 $\mu$ m
1.9 994-16 200px=10 $\mu$ m	1.9	994-16	200px=10 $\mu$ m
4.2 984-2 177px=10 $\mu$ m	4.2	984-2	177px=10 $\mu$ m
10.9 1024-2	10.9	1024-2	299px=10 $\mu$ m
17.3 990-14	17.3	990-14	300px=10 $\mu$ m
26.2 1006-6	26.2	1006-6	299px=10 $\mu$ m

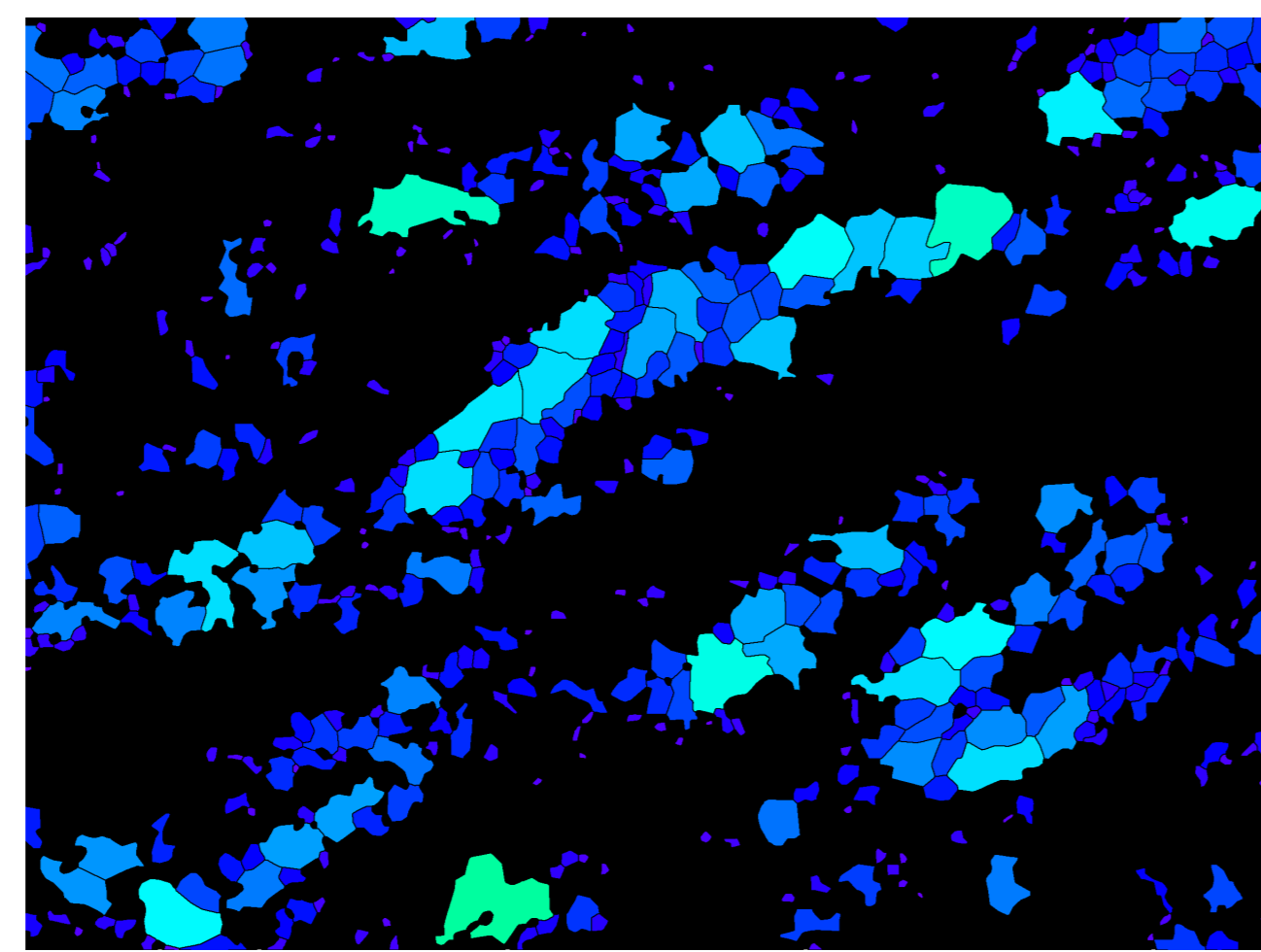
results for 6 experiments  
 lines connect  
 for increasing shear strain  
 AA = orthopyroxene  
 BB = olivine

deviation from random  
 for increasing shear strain  
 + (%) for phase boundary = ordering  
 - (%) for grain boundary contacts = ordering  
 AA = orthopyroxene BB = olivine

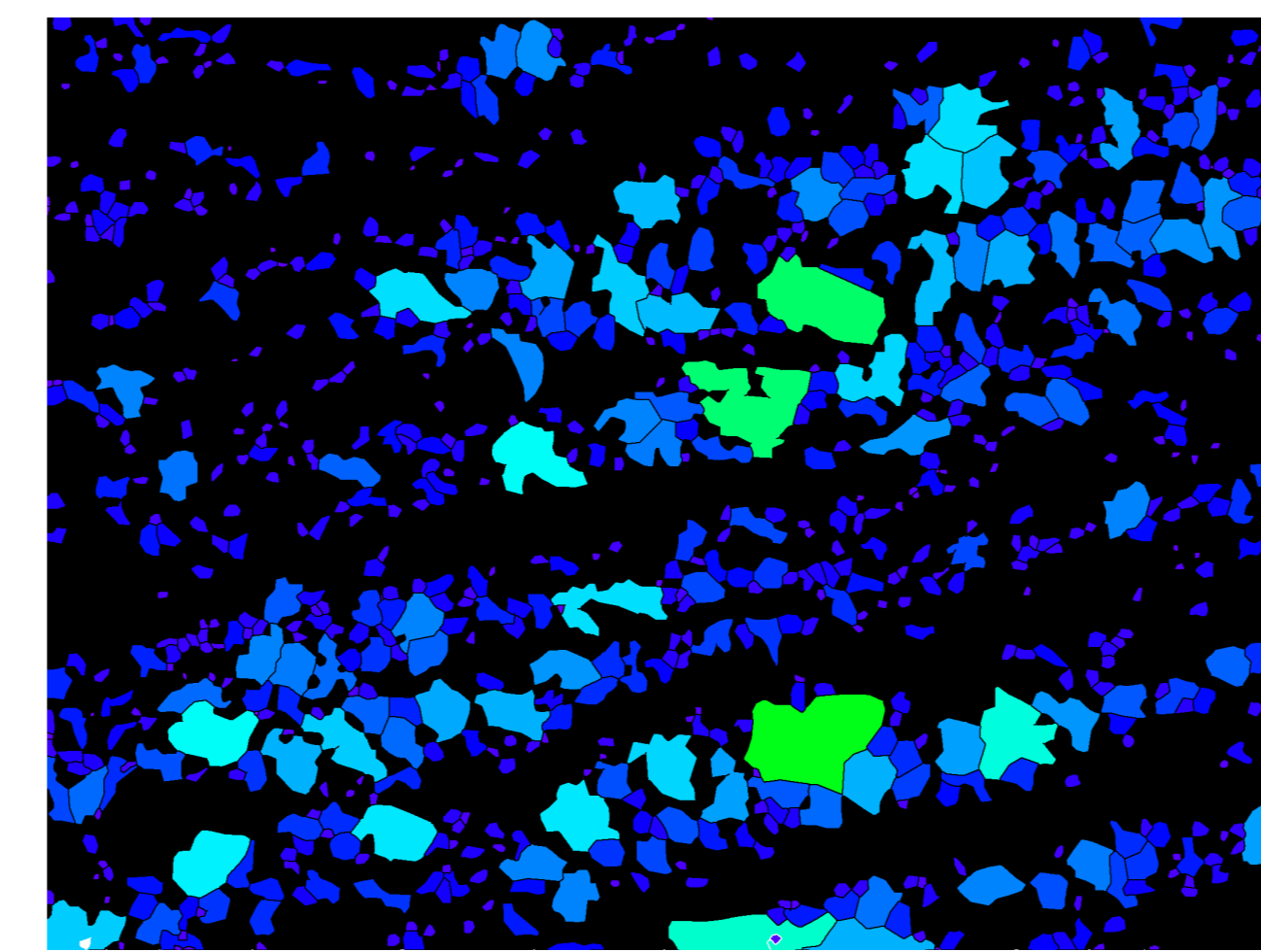
# 3. consider grain size



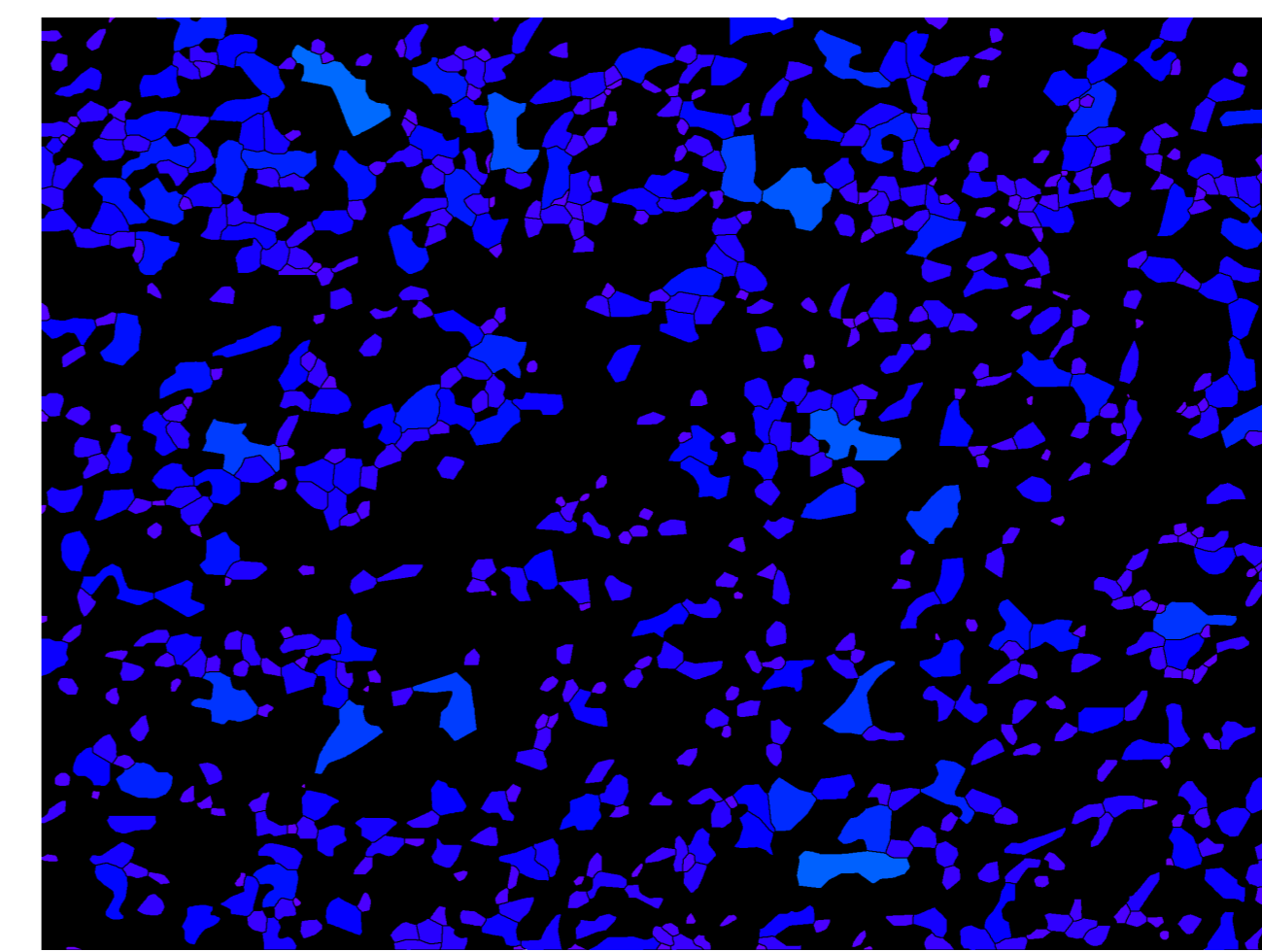
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imagewidth = 120μm

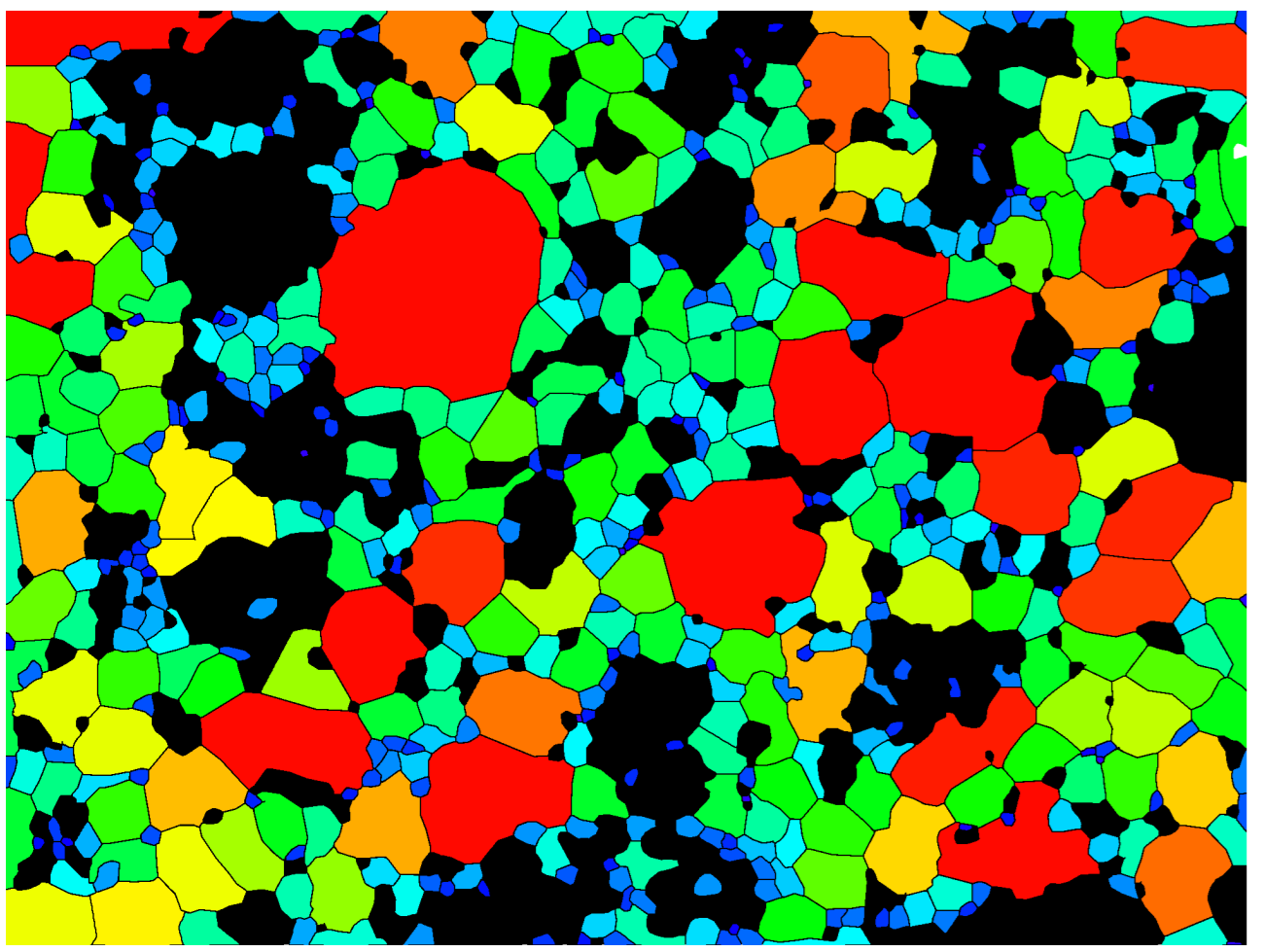


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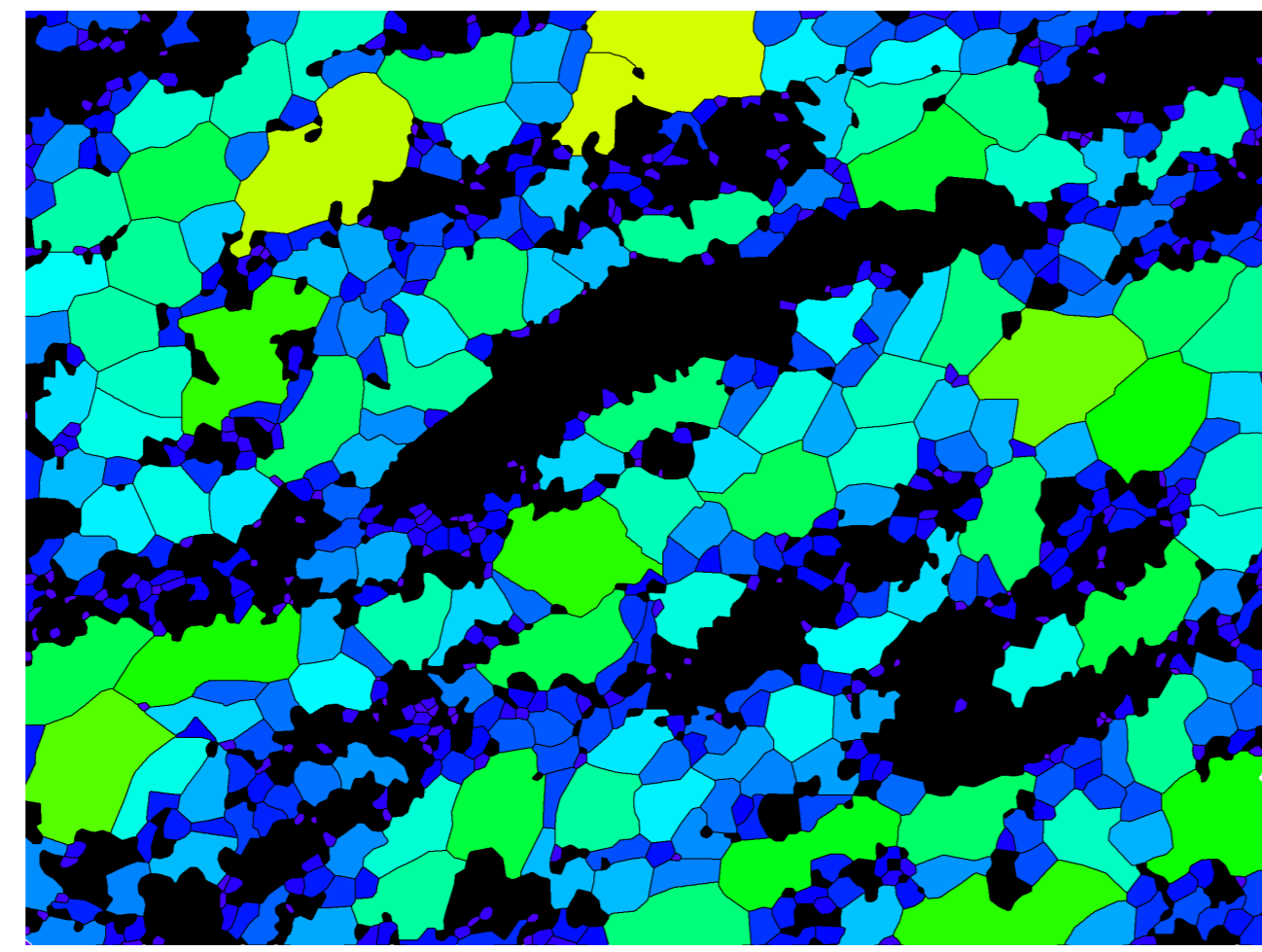


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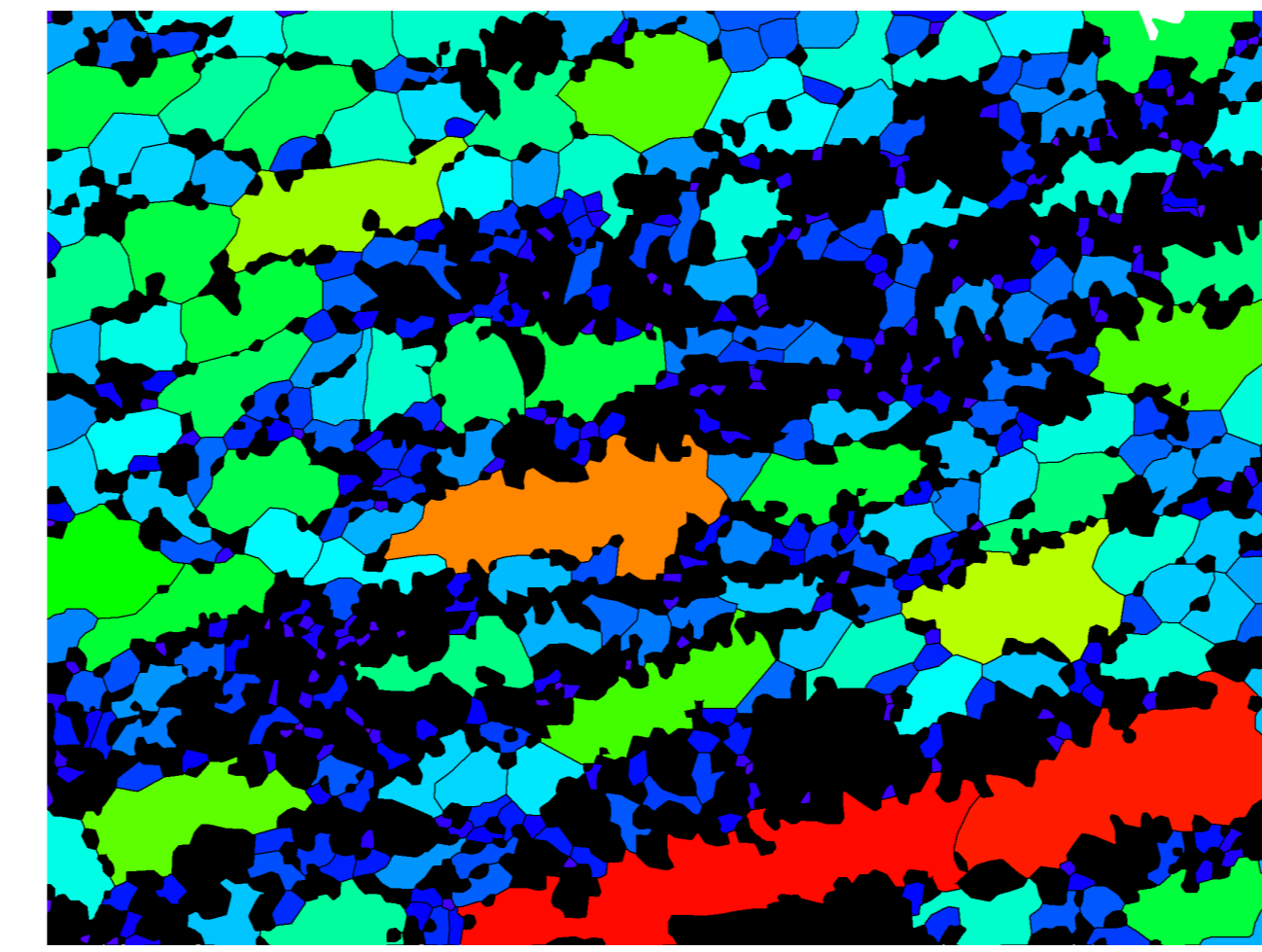
orthopyroxene



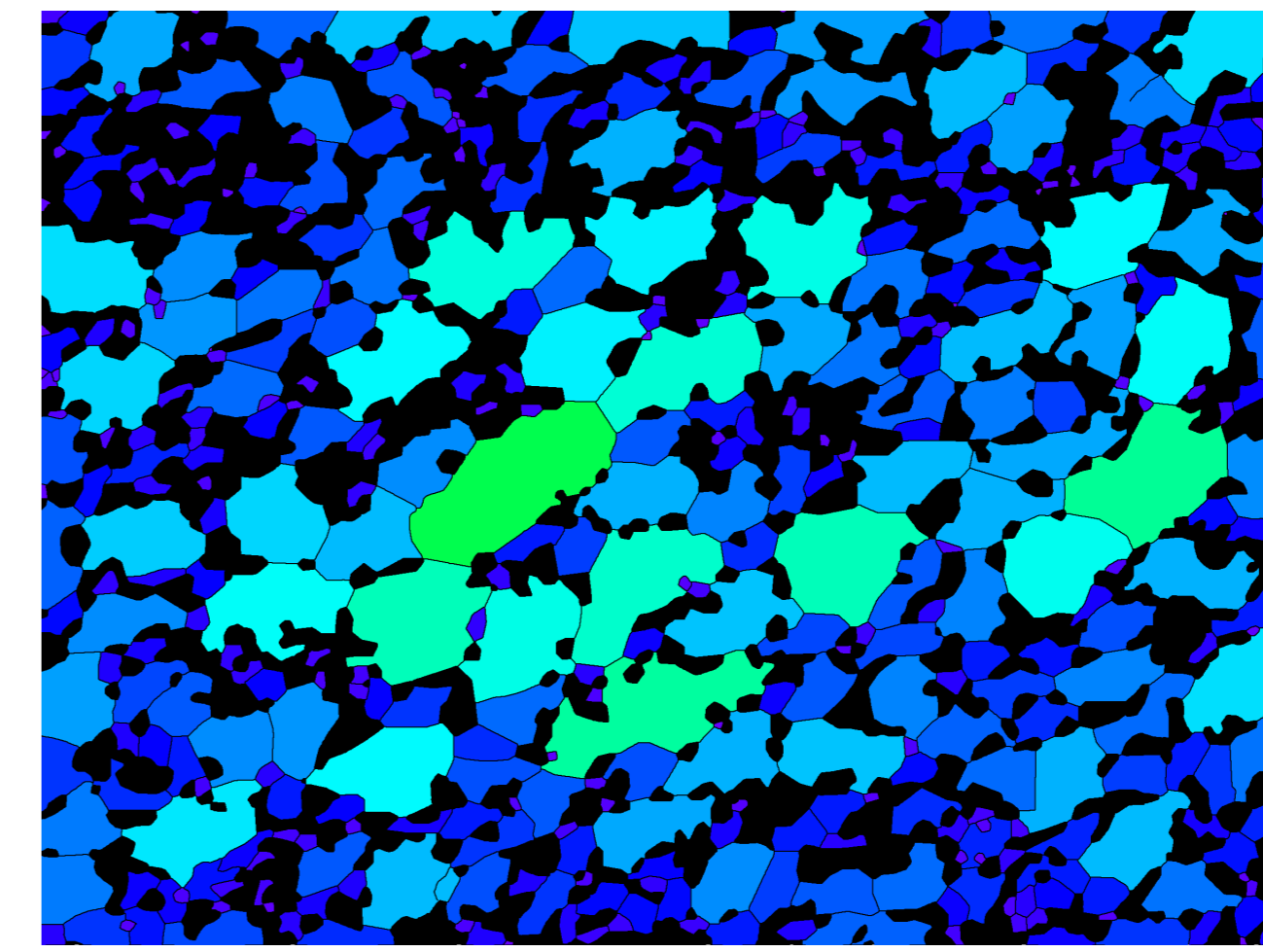
undef 983-2



γ = 1.9 994-16

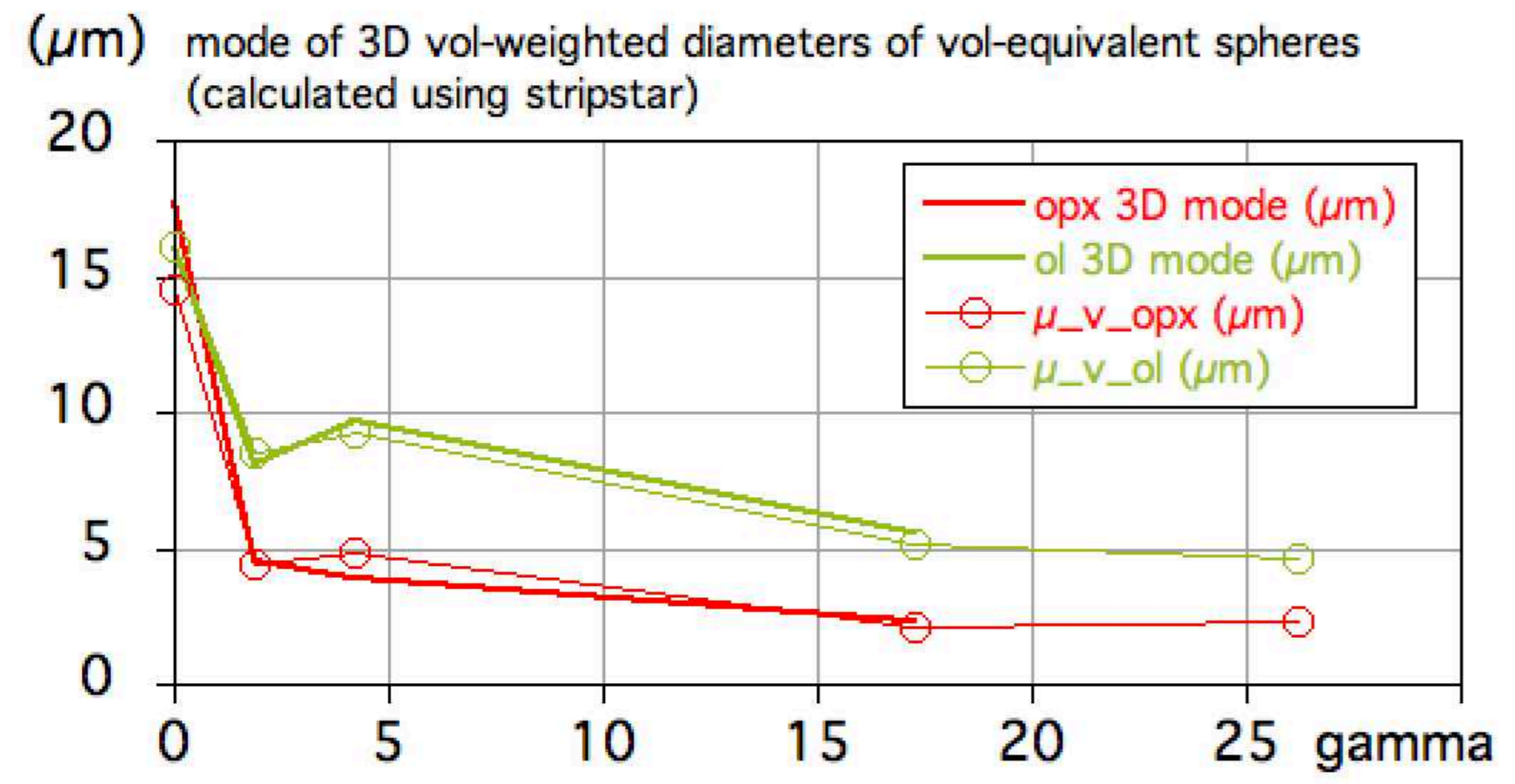
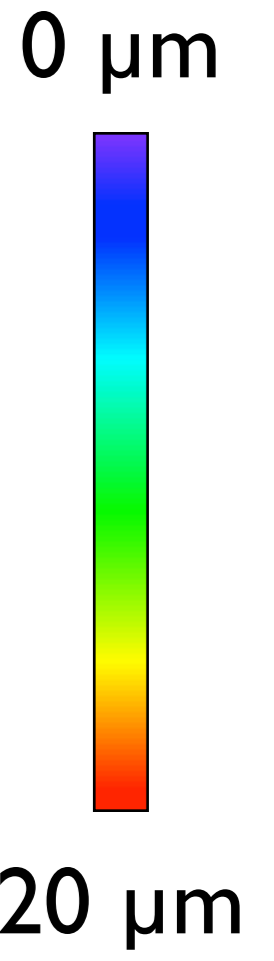


γ = 4.2 984-2



γ = 17.3 990-14

olivine



## grain size evolution with shear strain

**orthopyroxene**

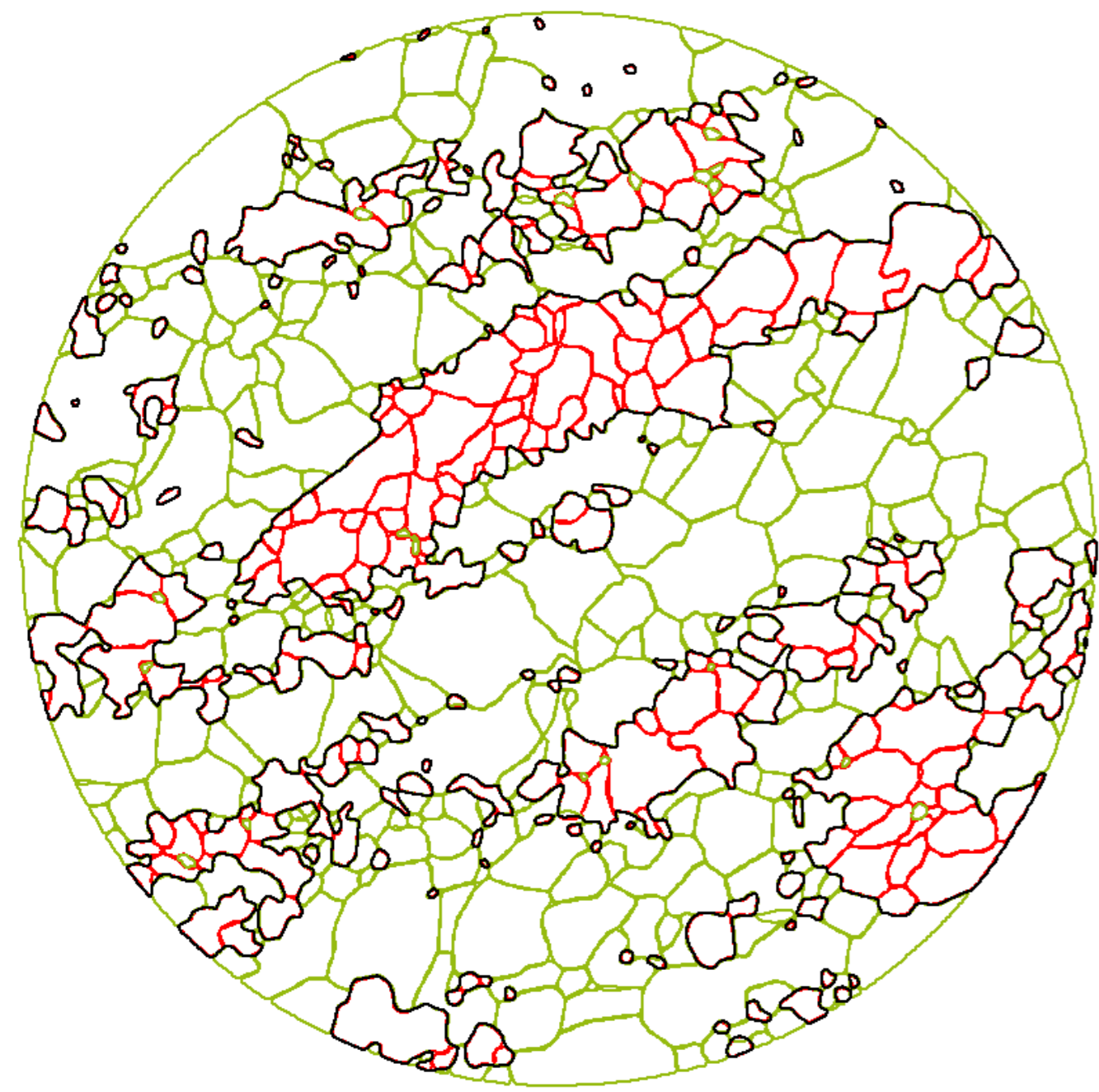
at start grain size  $D_{equ} \approx 14 \mu m$   
 at  $\gamma \leq 4$  decreases to 4-5  $\mu m$   
 at  $\gamma \geq 17$  levels off to  $\sim 2 \mu m$

**olivine**

at start grain size  $D_{equ} \approx 16 \mu m$   
 at  $\gamma \leq 4$  decreases to 8-9  $\mu m$   
 at  $\gamma \geq 17$  levels off to  $\sim 5 \mu m$

# 4. directional variations of clustering & ordering

what to measure ?

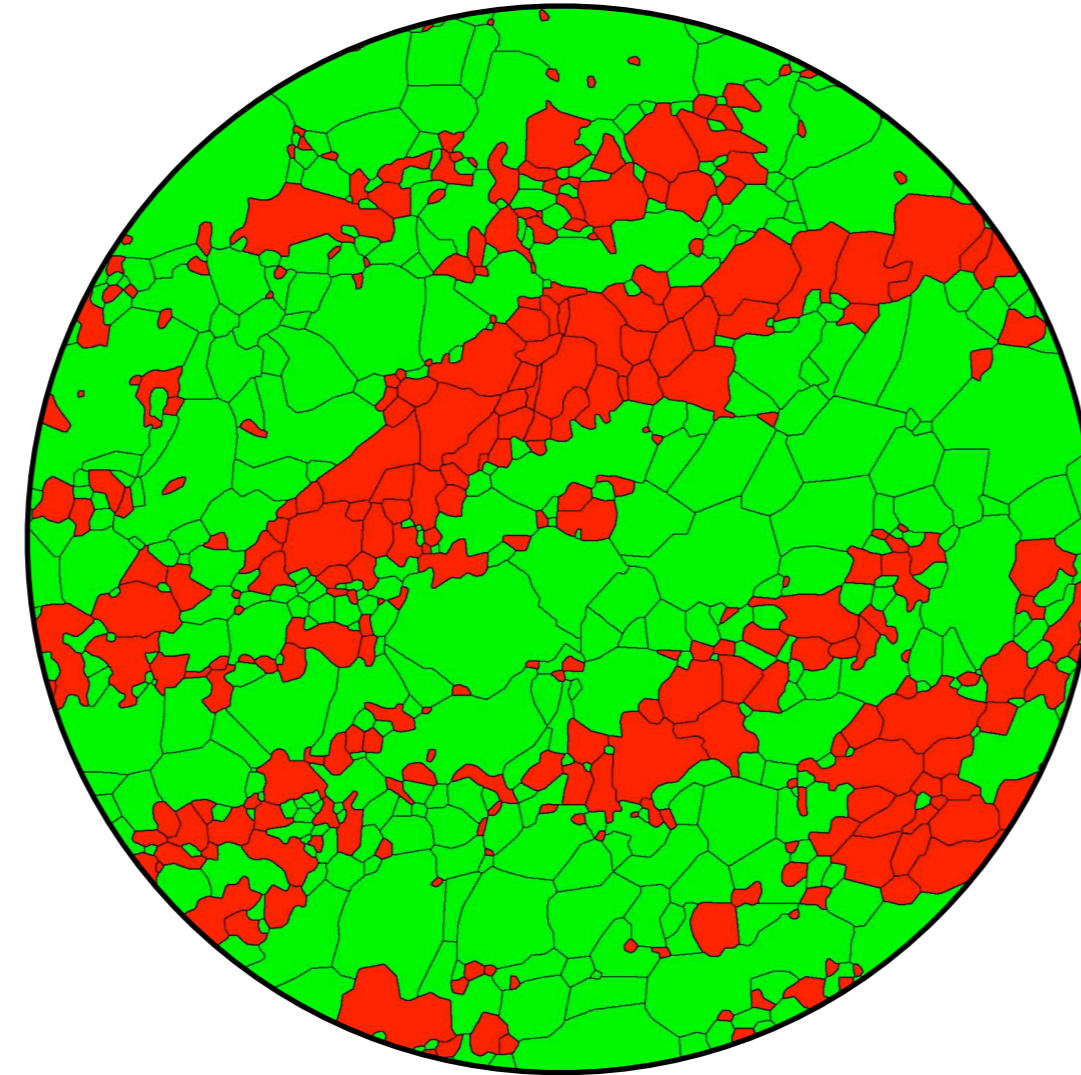


- opx-opx contact surfaces (gb s.s.)
- ol-ol contact surfaces (gb s.s.)
- opx-ol contacts (phase boundaries)

idea behind it:

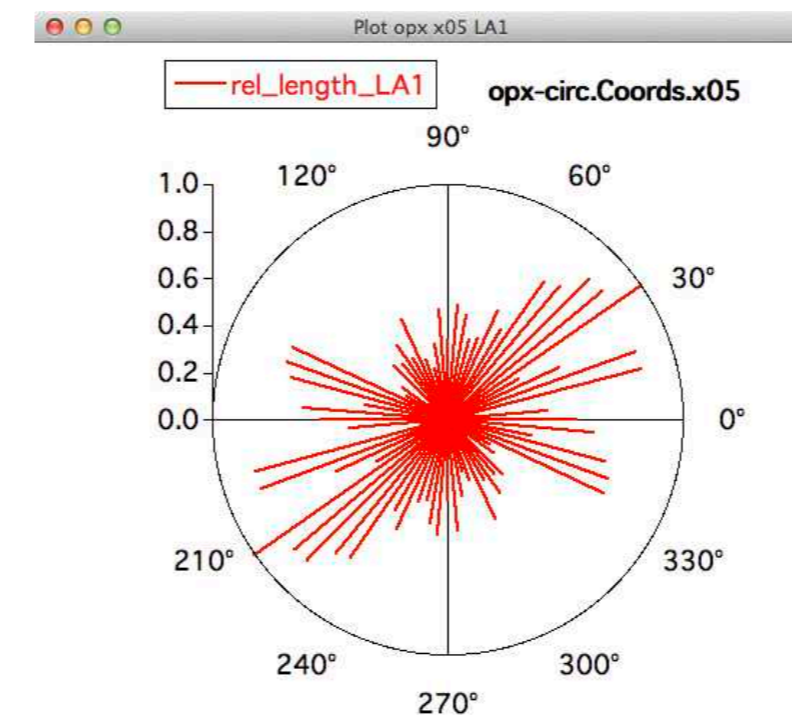
total length of projection of phase is proportional to contact frequency (contact frequency = probability of being transected by test line in given direction)

pro memoria:

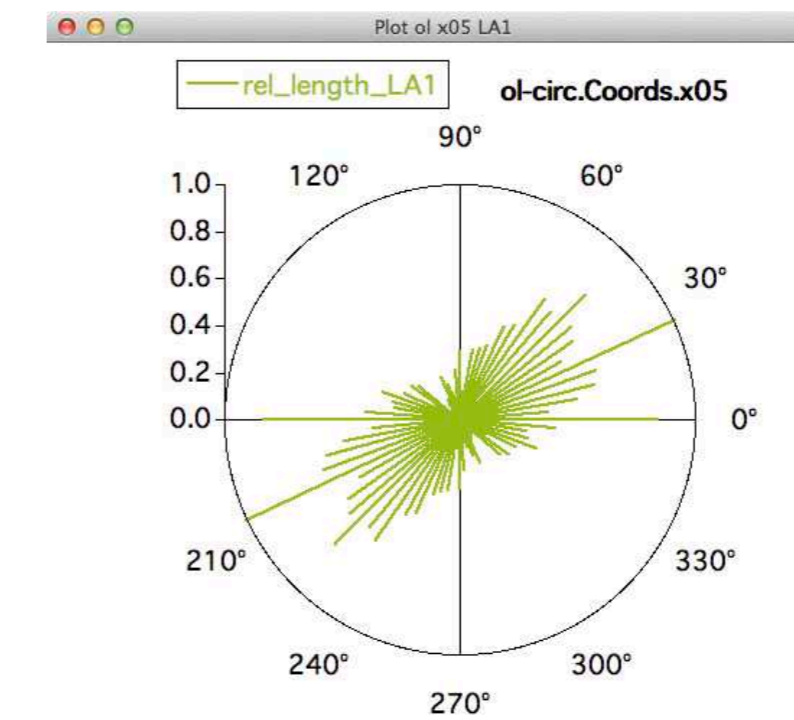


paror:

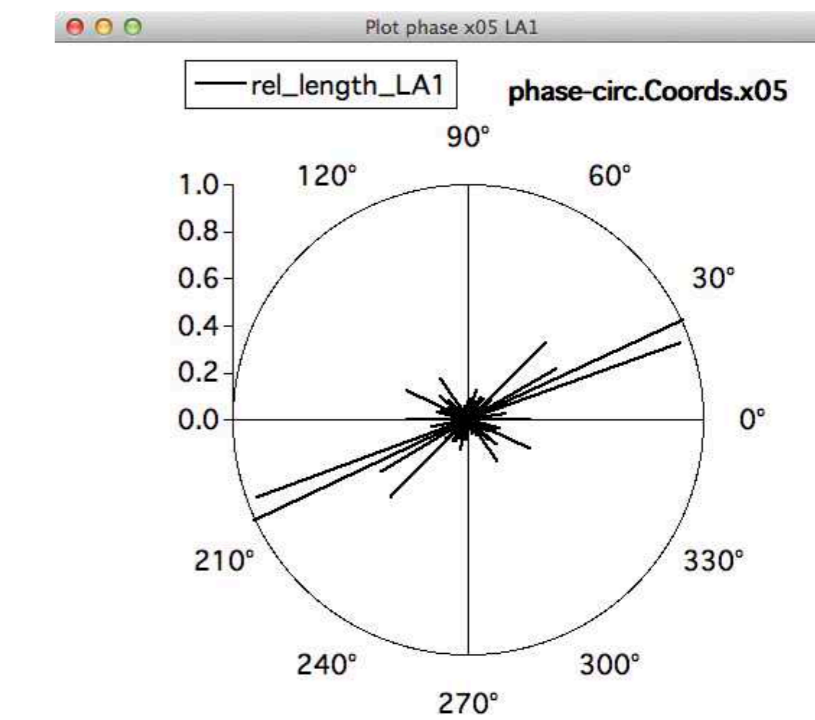
orientation of particle long axes of grains and aggregates



opx



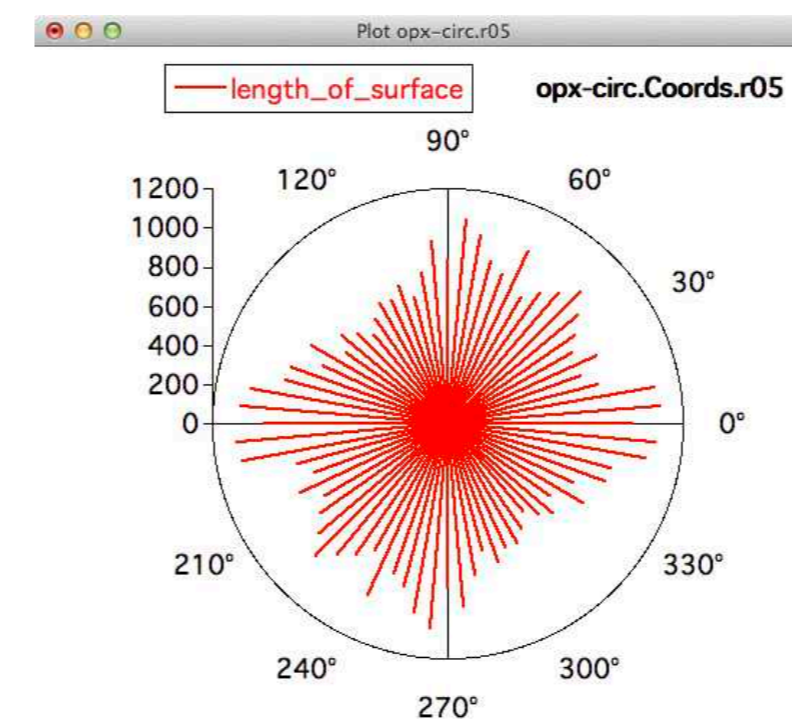
ol



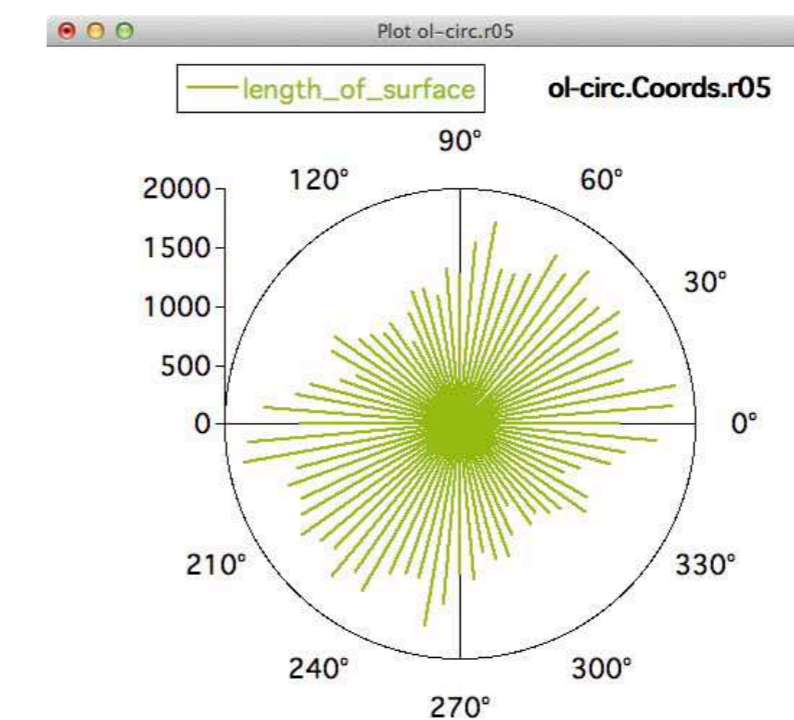
aggregates

surfor:

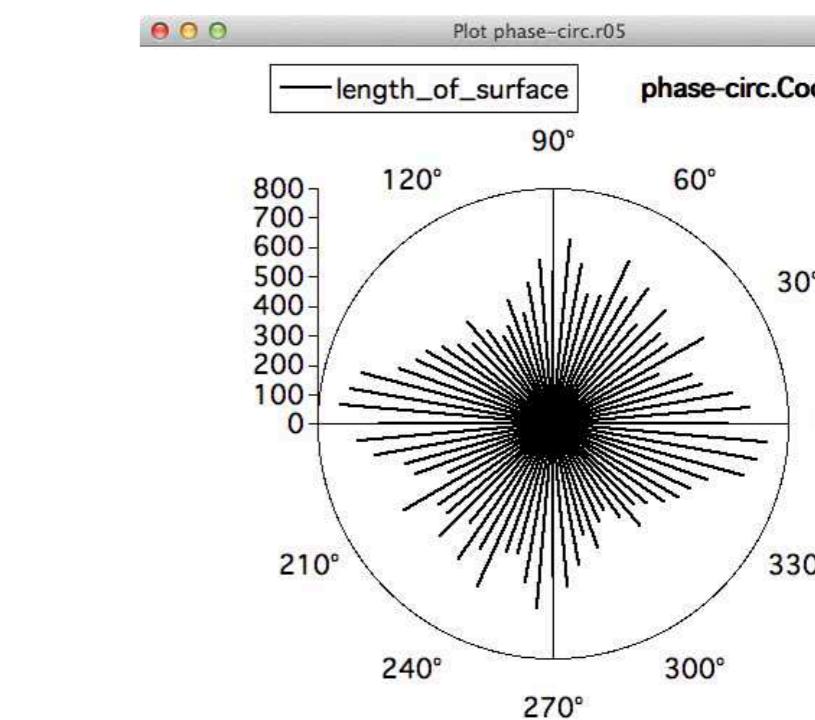
orientation of surface of grains and aggregates



opx



ol



surface of aggregates = phase boundary

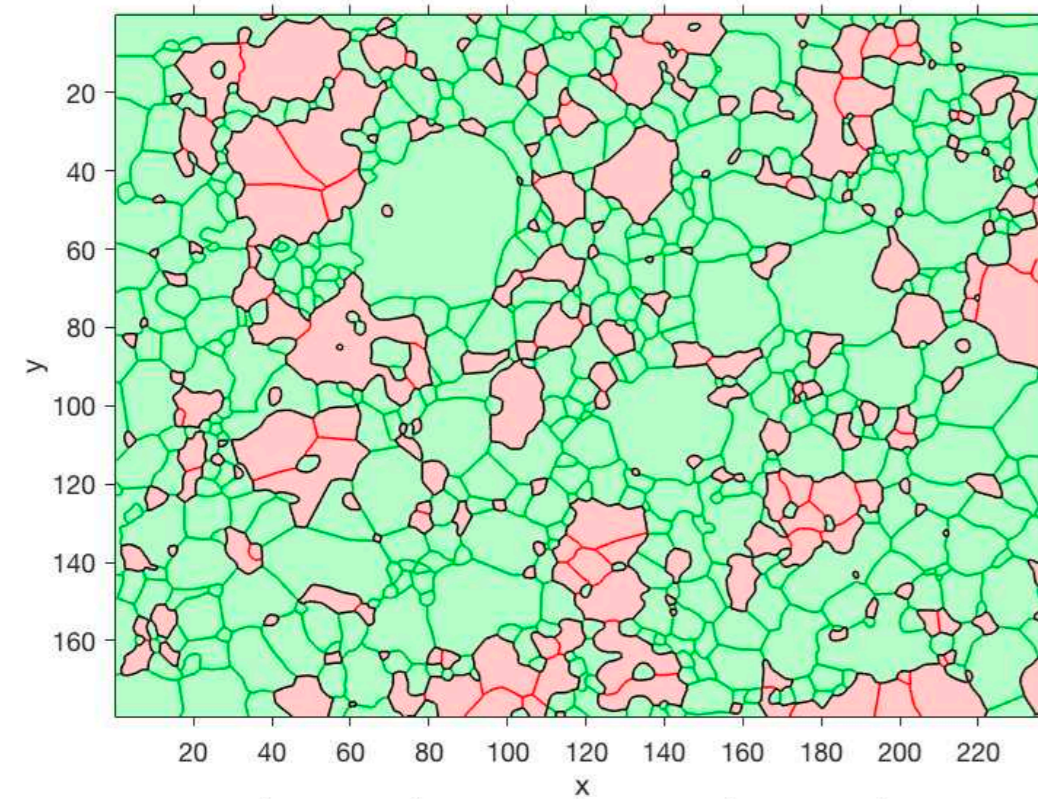
now need surfor

... of contact surfaces ... (next slide)

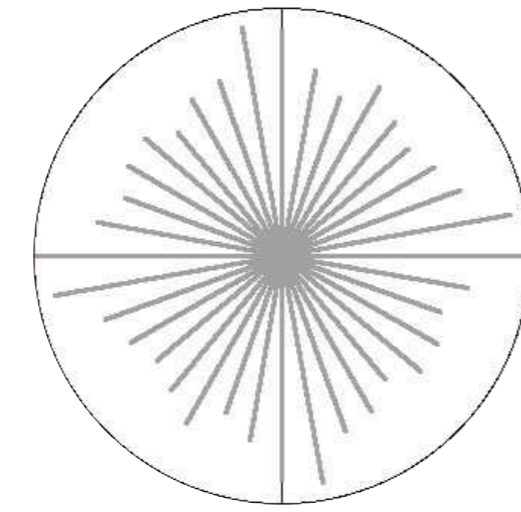


# surface orientation of grain contacts = input for surfor

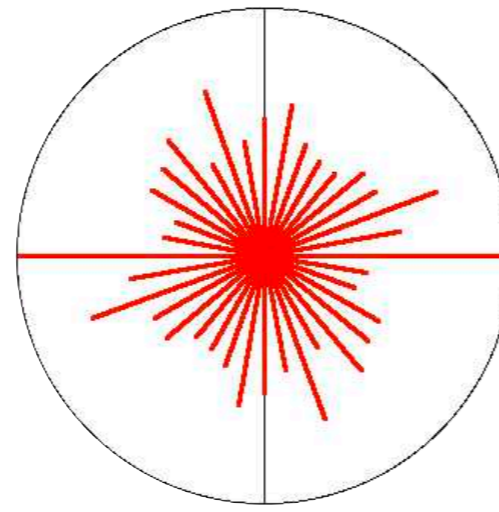
983  
 $\gamma = 0$



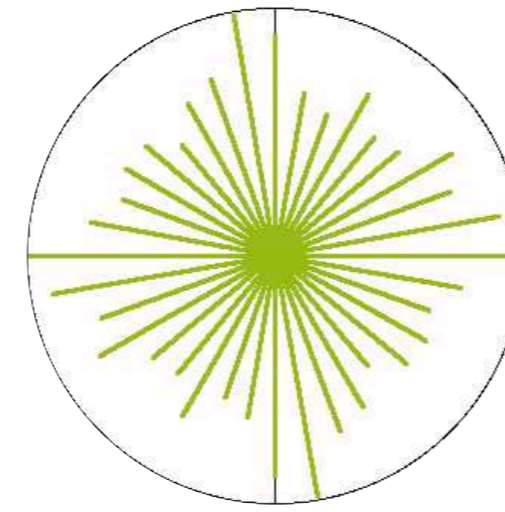
all gb



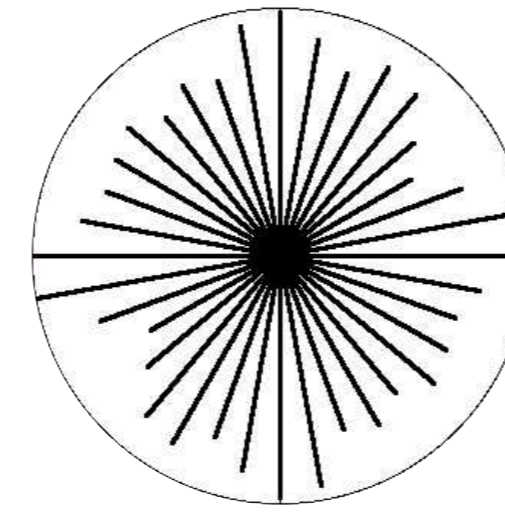
opx-opx



ol-ol



phase b



ODFs of relative boundary length of

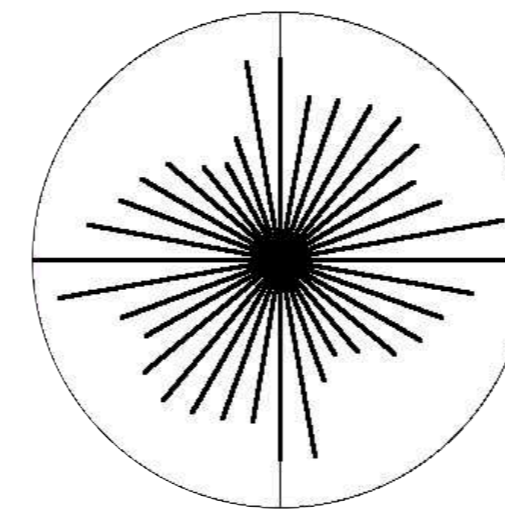
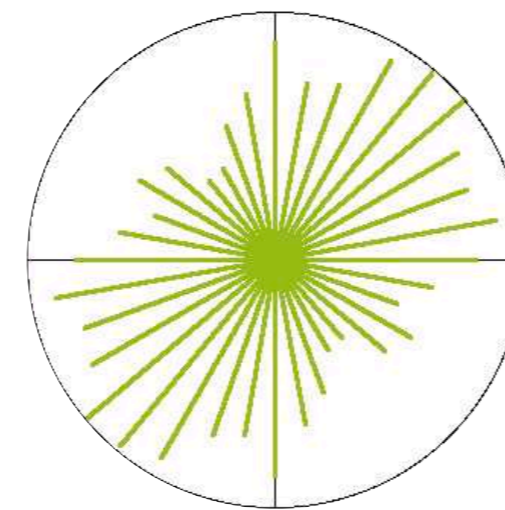
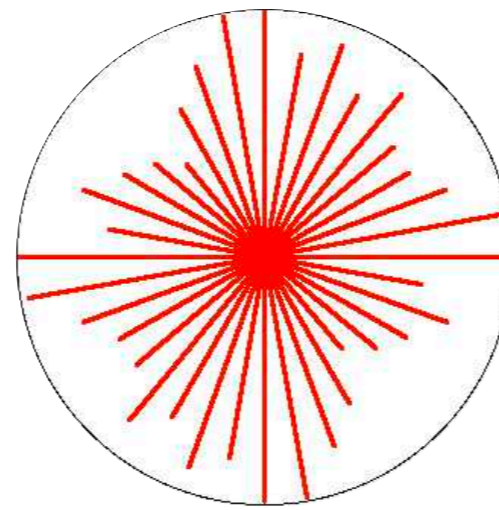
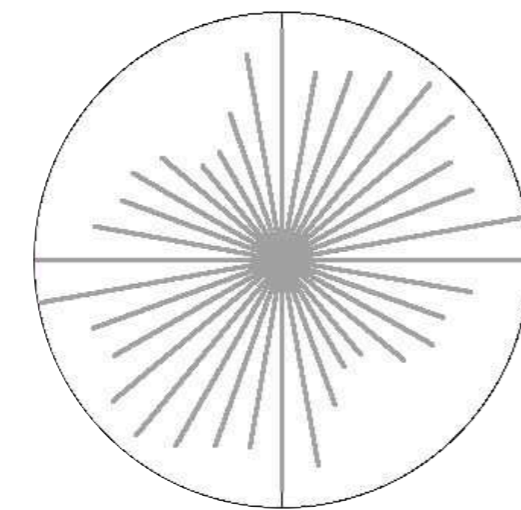
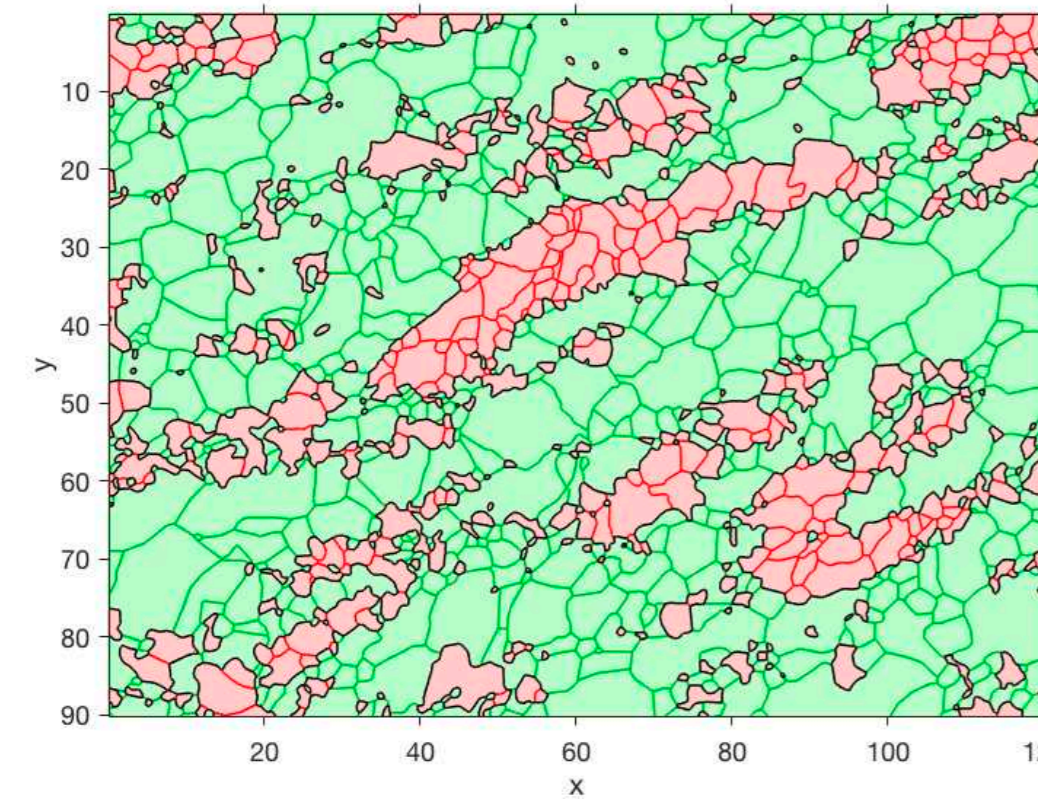
all grain boundaries (gb s.l.)

opx-opx contact surfaces (gb s.s.)

ol-ol contact surfaces (gb s.s.)

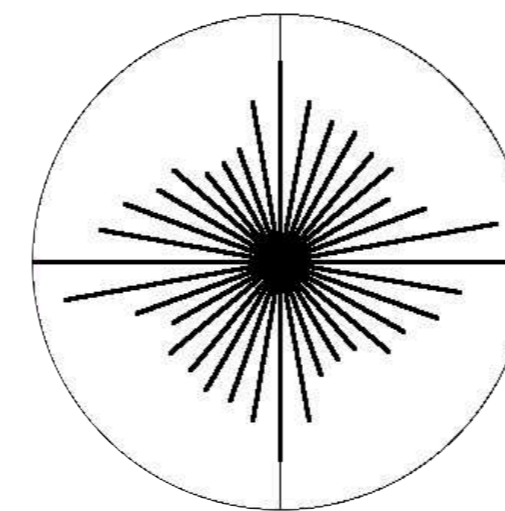
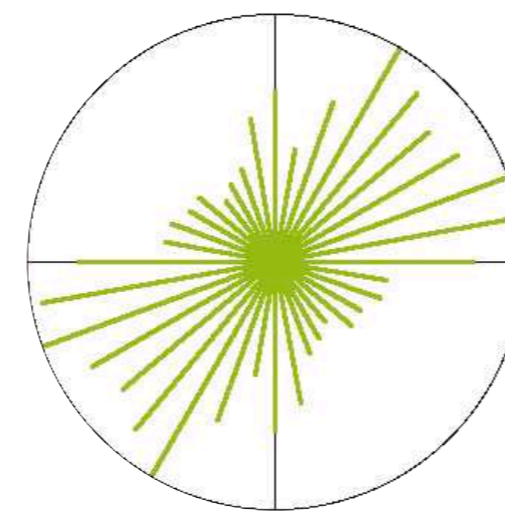
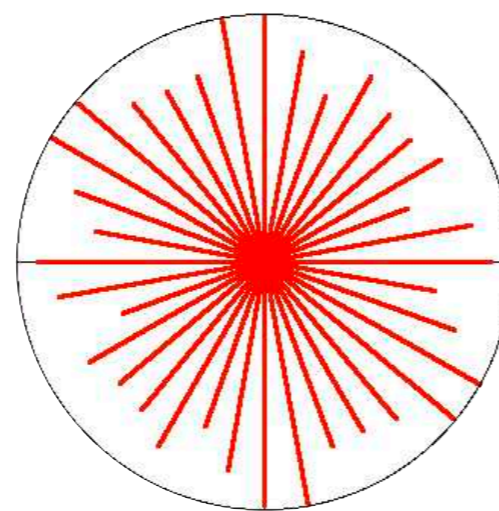
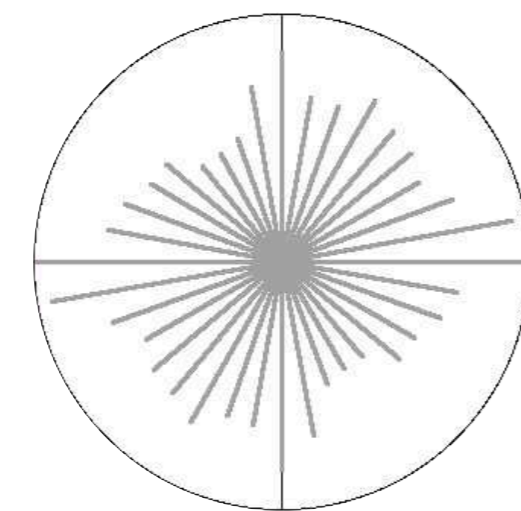
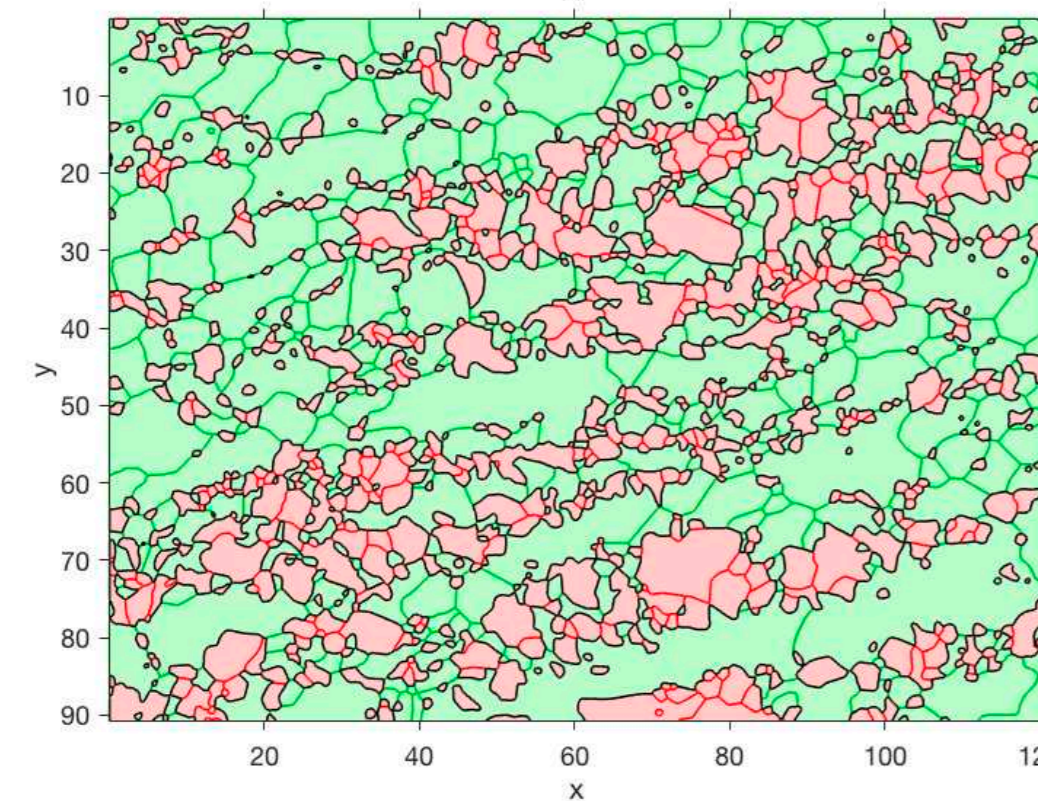
opx-ol contacts (phase boundaries)

994  
 $\gamma = 1.9$



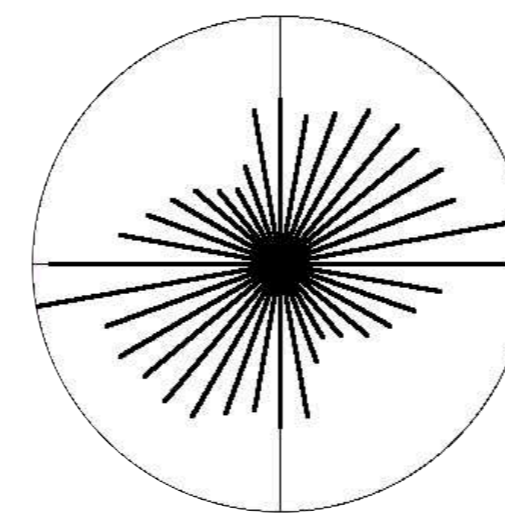
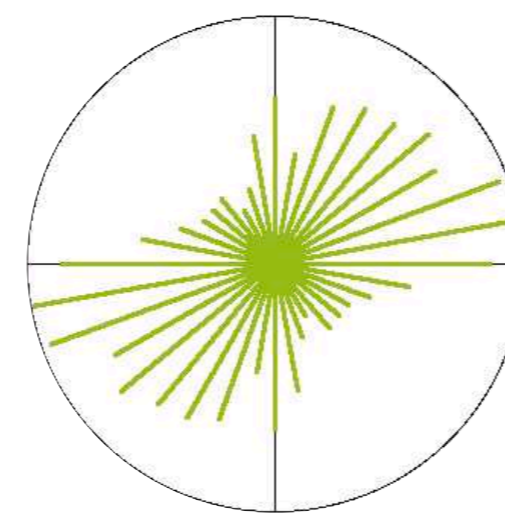
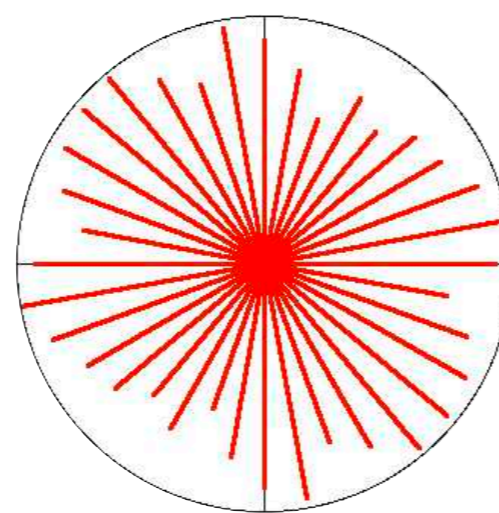
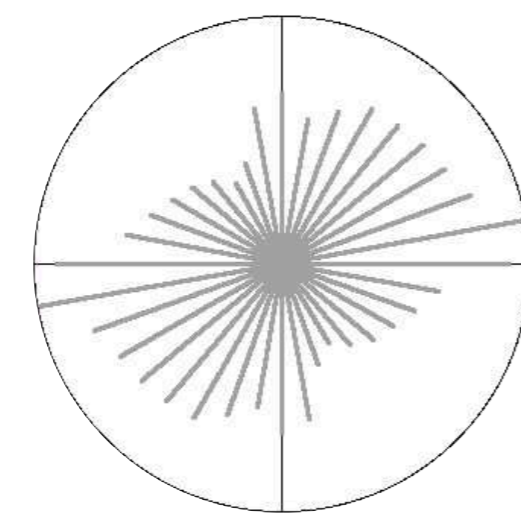
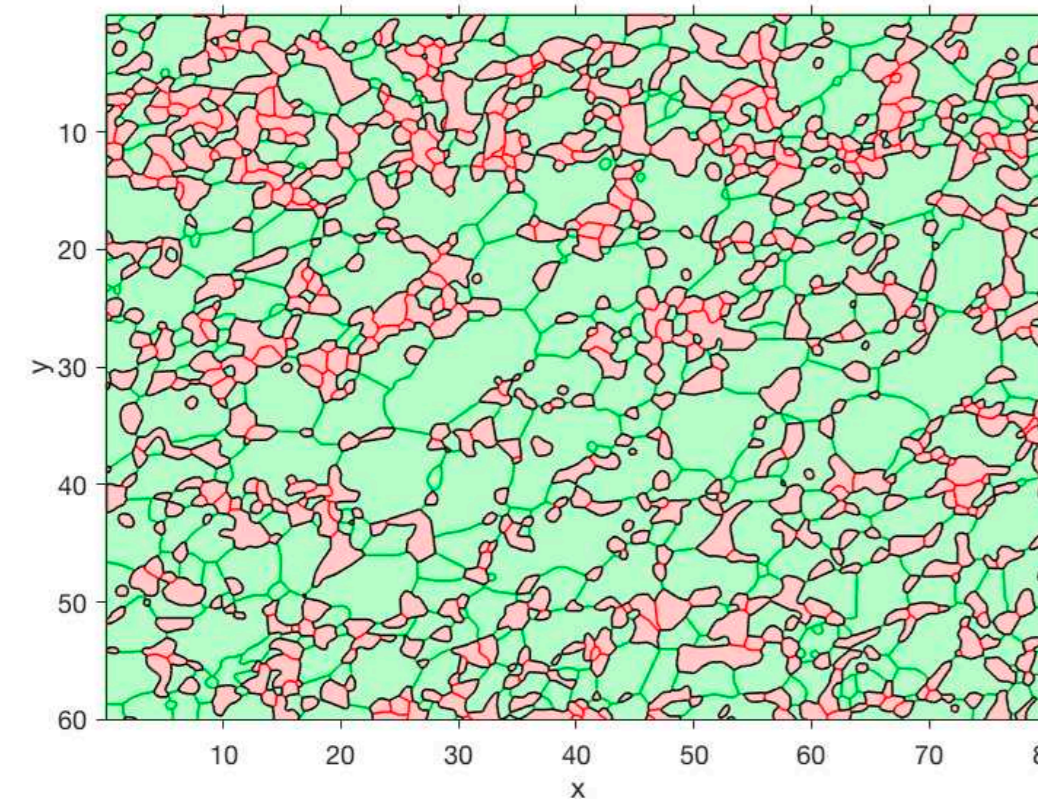
gb s.l. = phase b + opx-opx + ol-ol

984  
 $\gamma = 4.2$



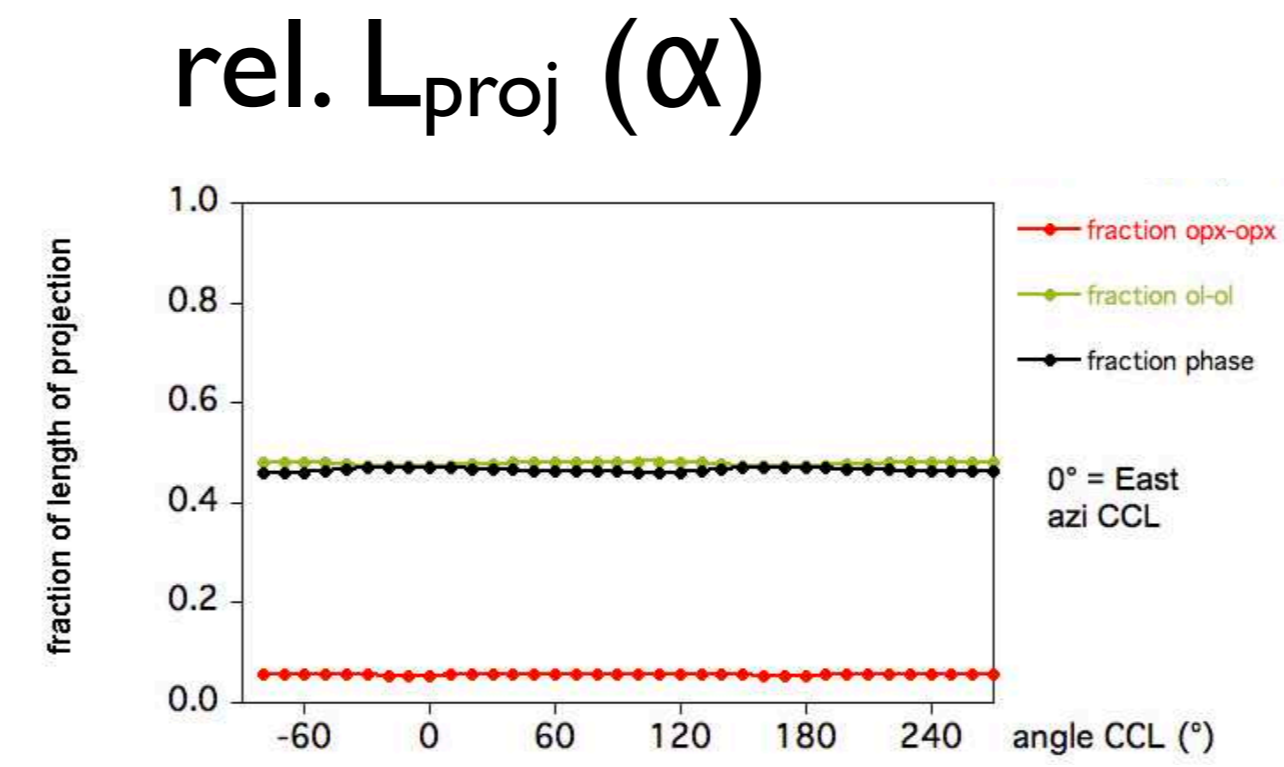
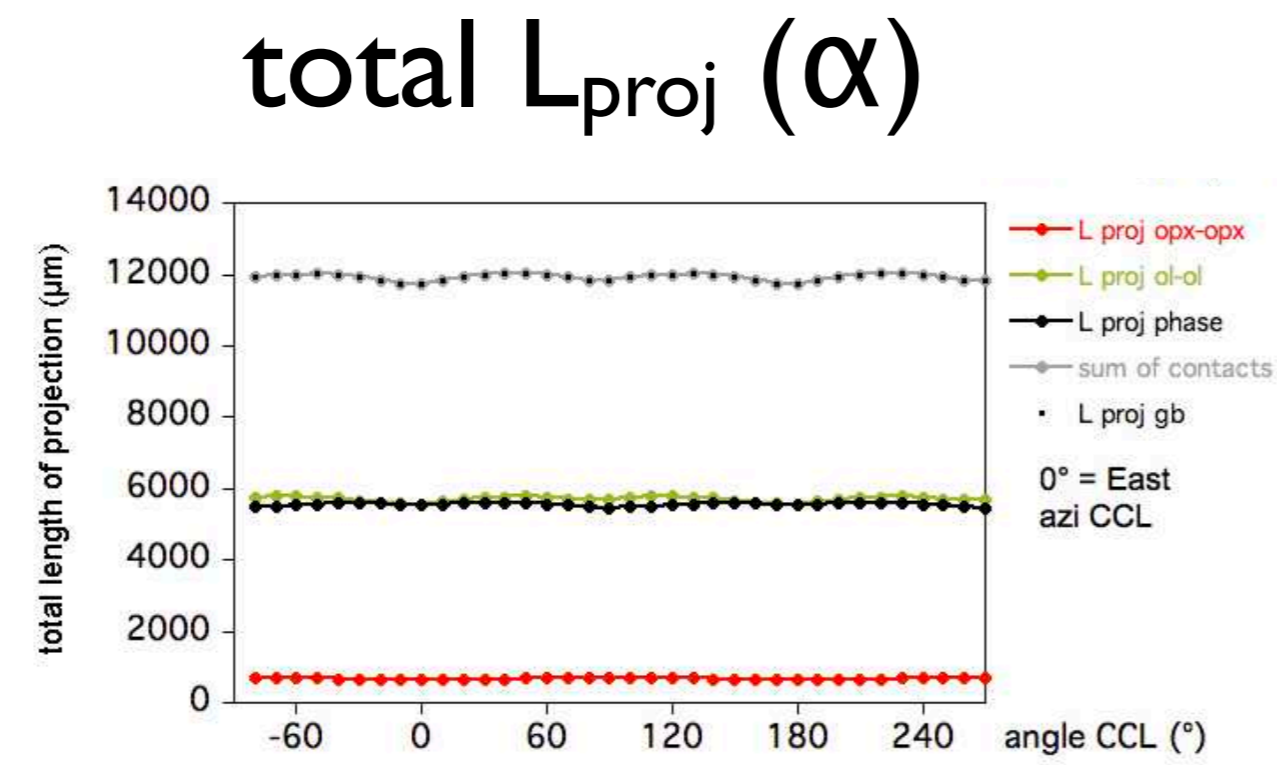
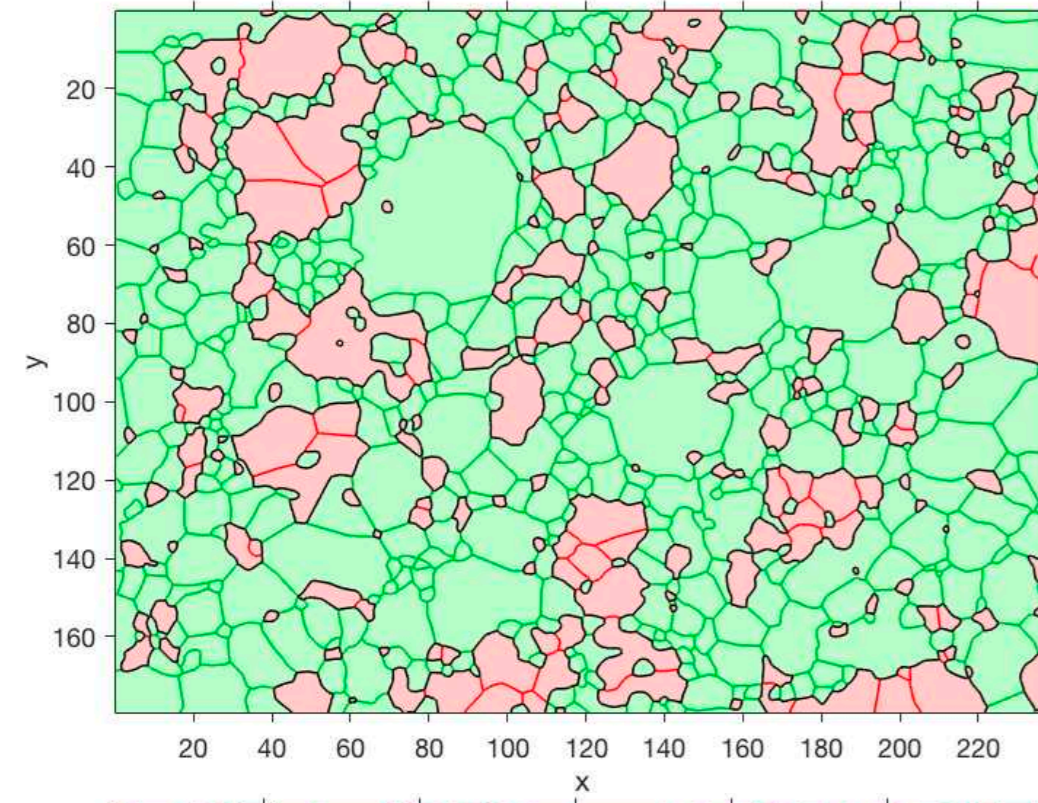
Digitization of contact segment is achieved using  
mtex / matlab and a code developed by Rüdiger Kilian.

990  
 $\gamma = 17.3$



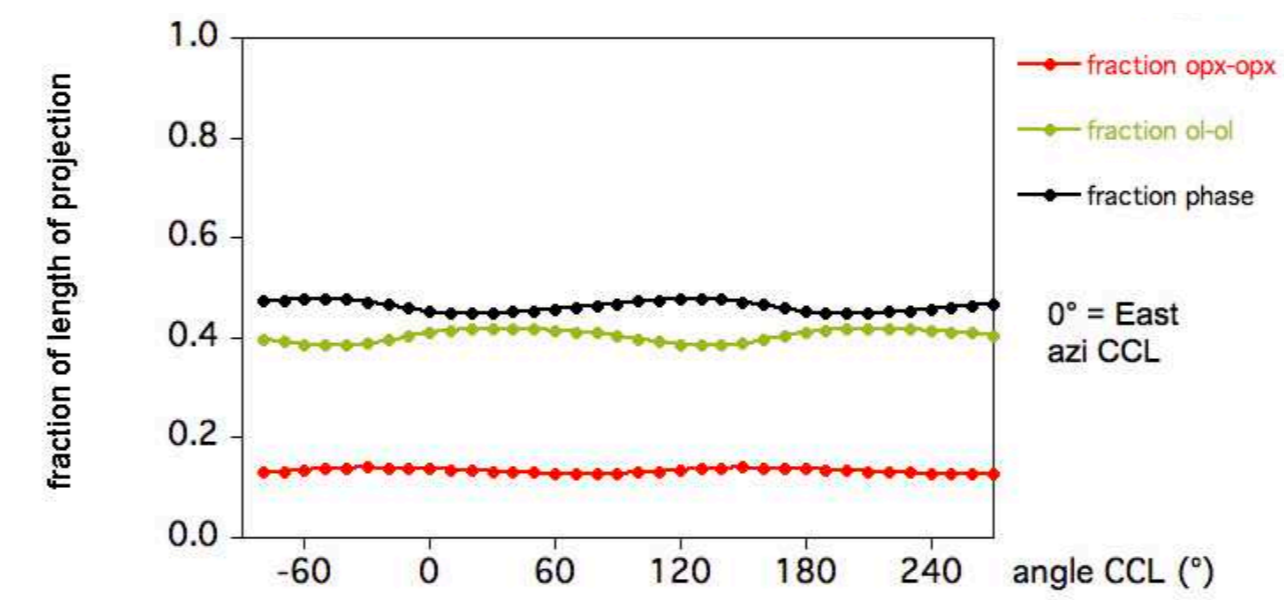
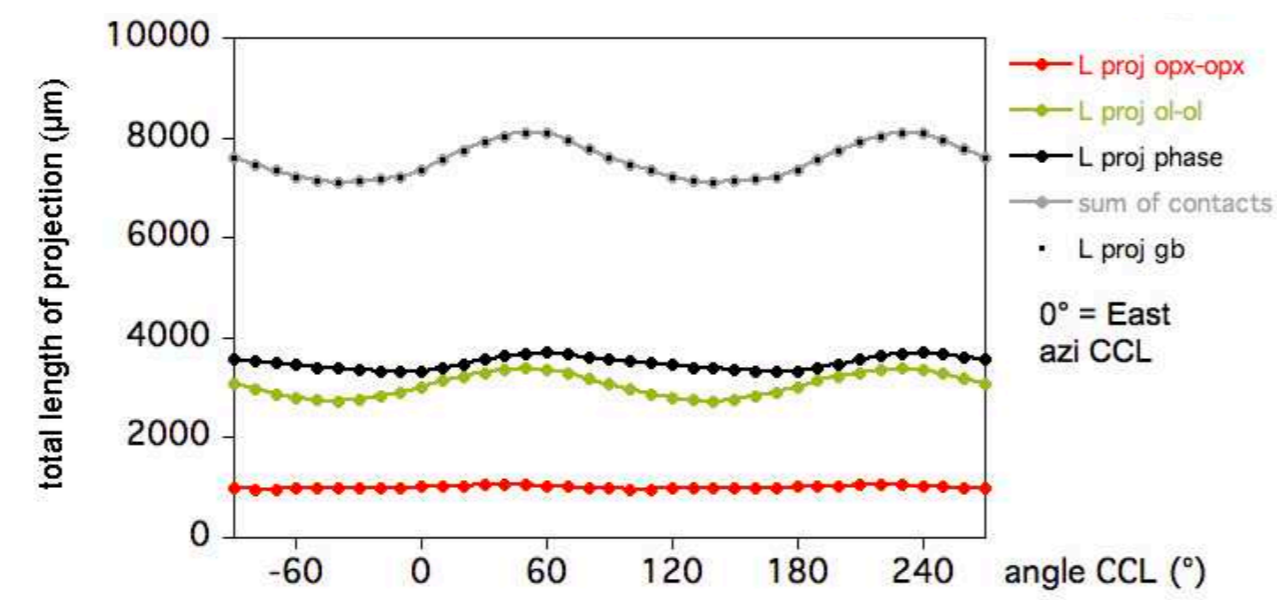
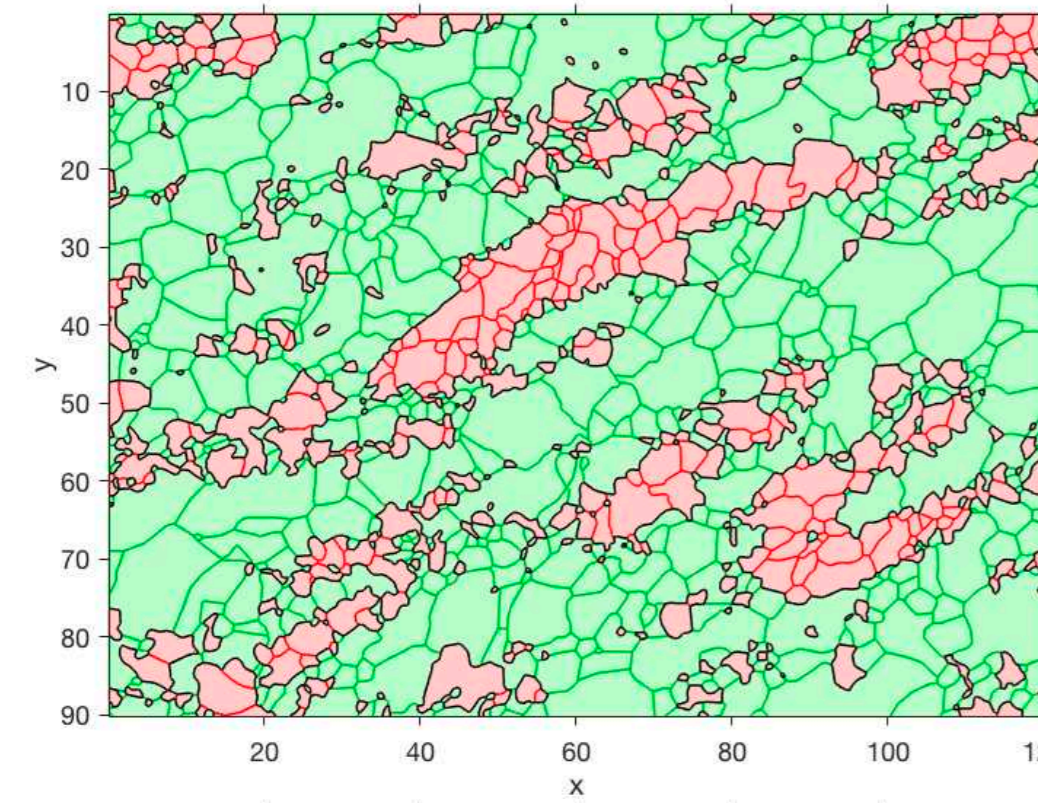
# length of projection of contacts (surfor) = contact frequency

983  
 $\gamma = 0$



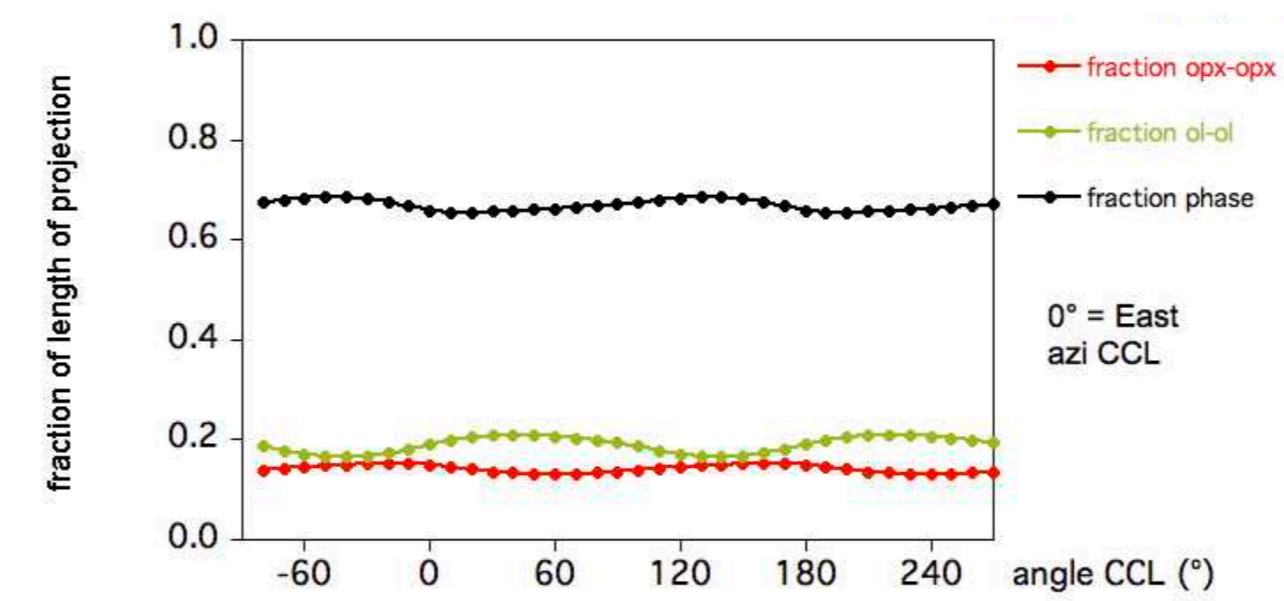
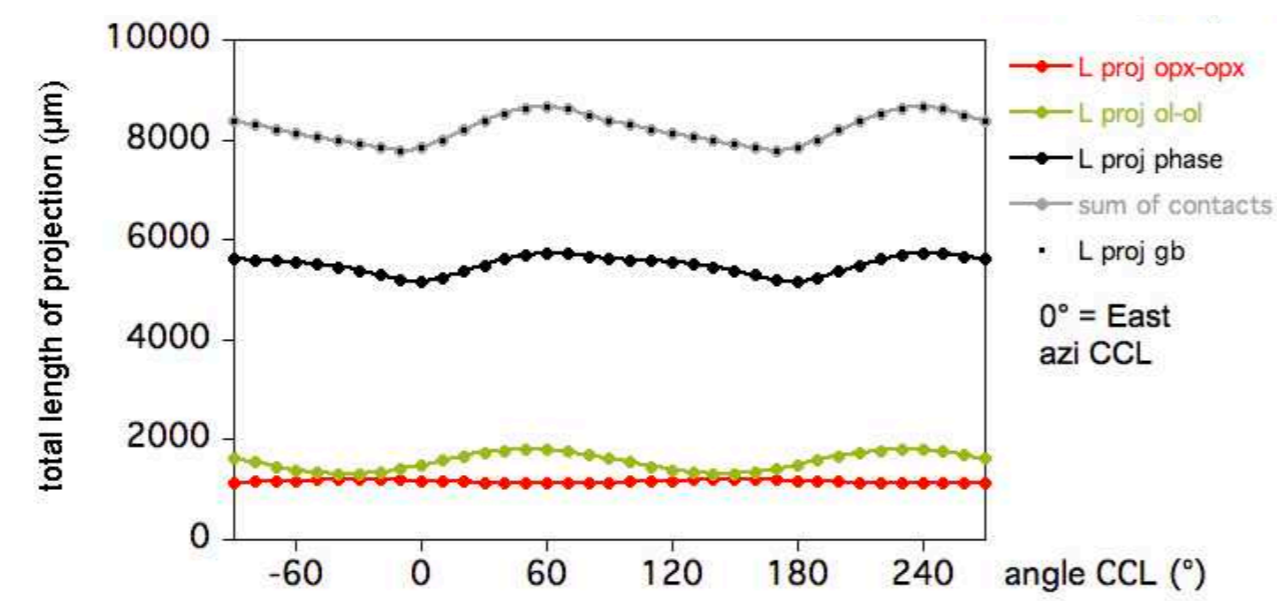
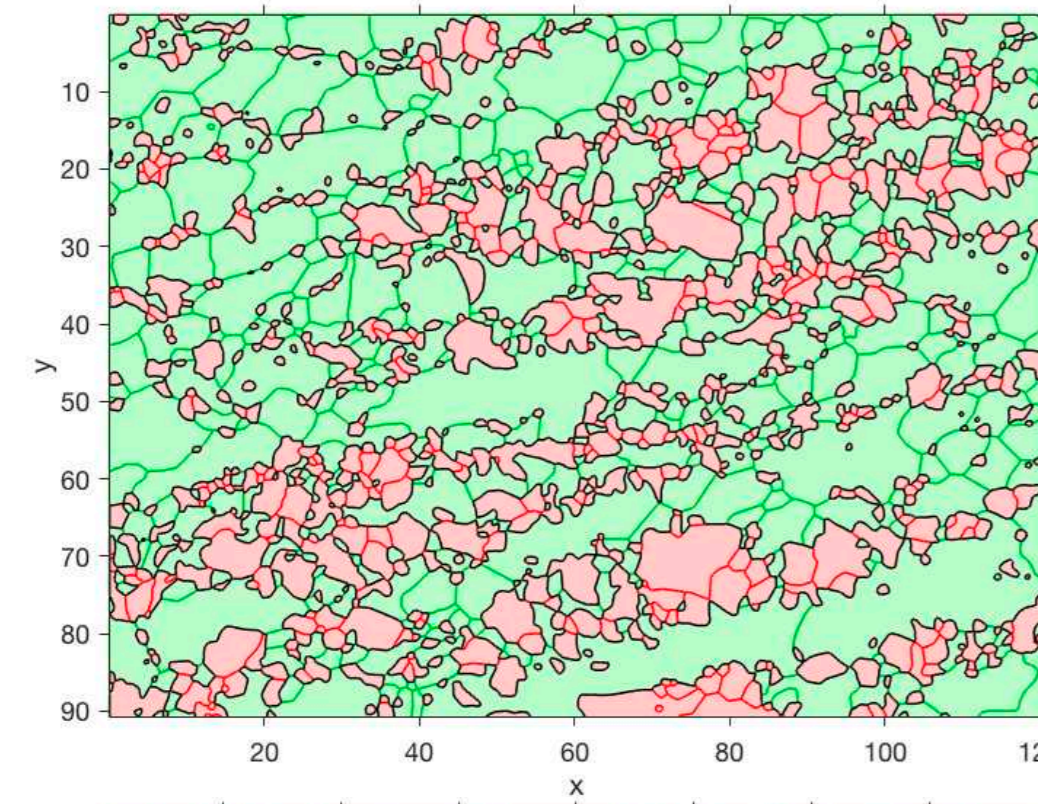
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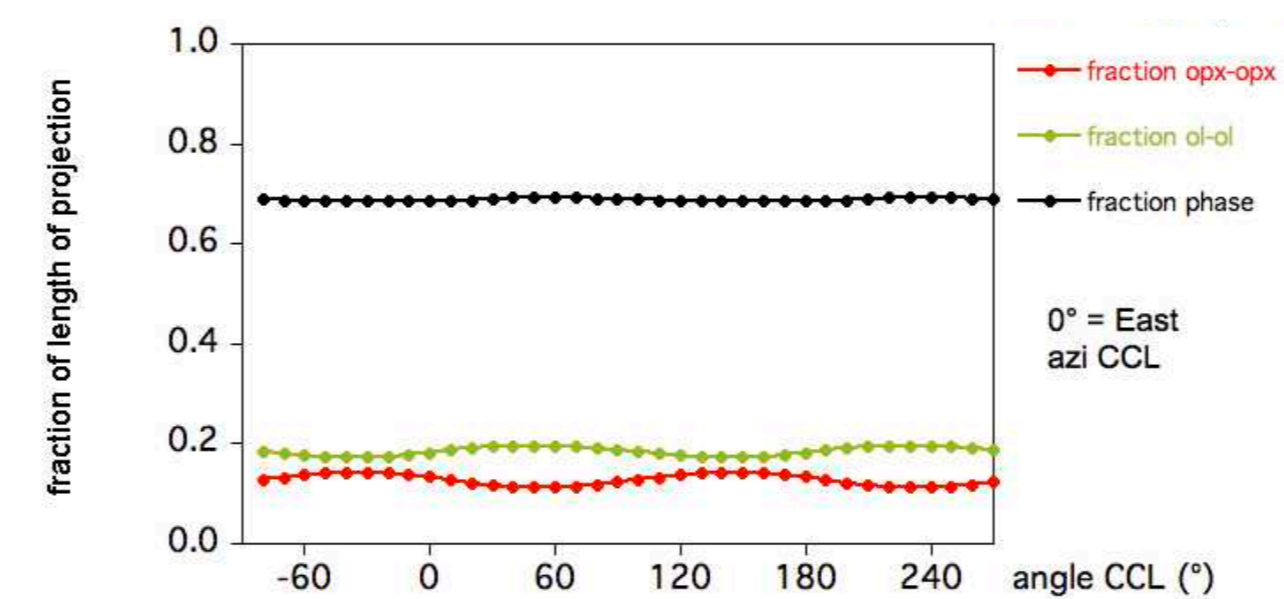
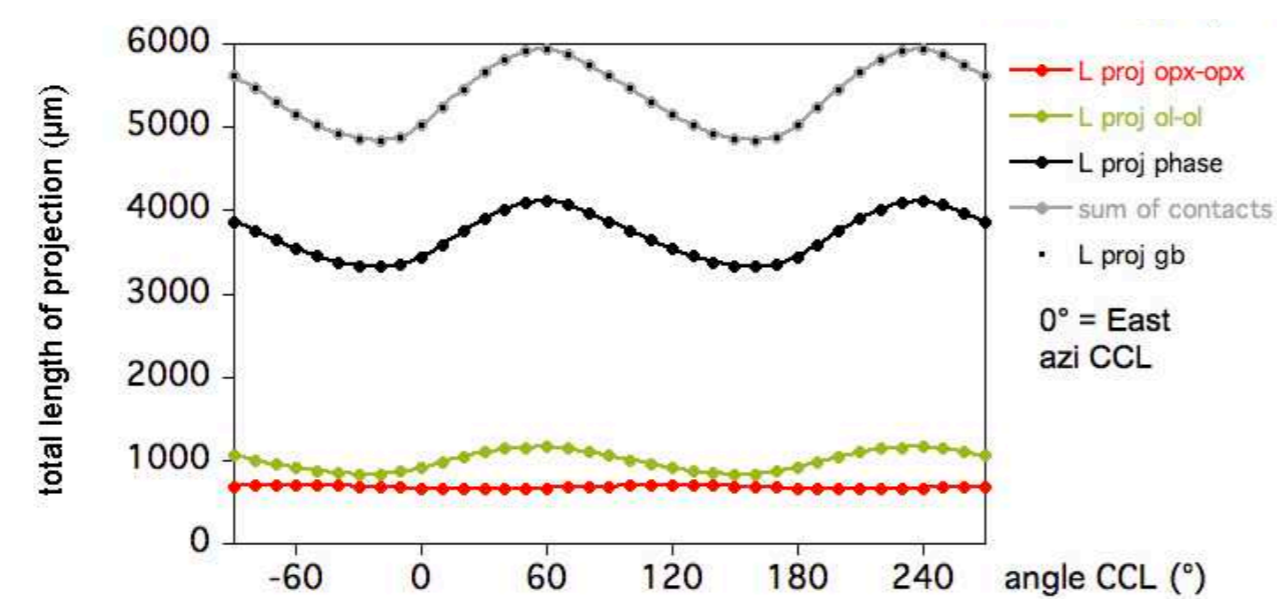
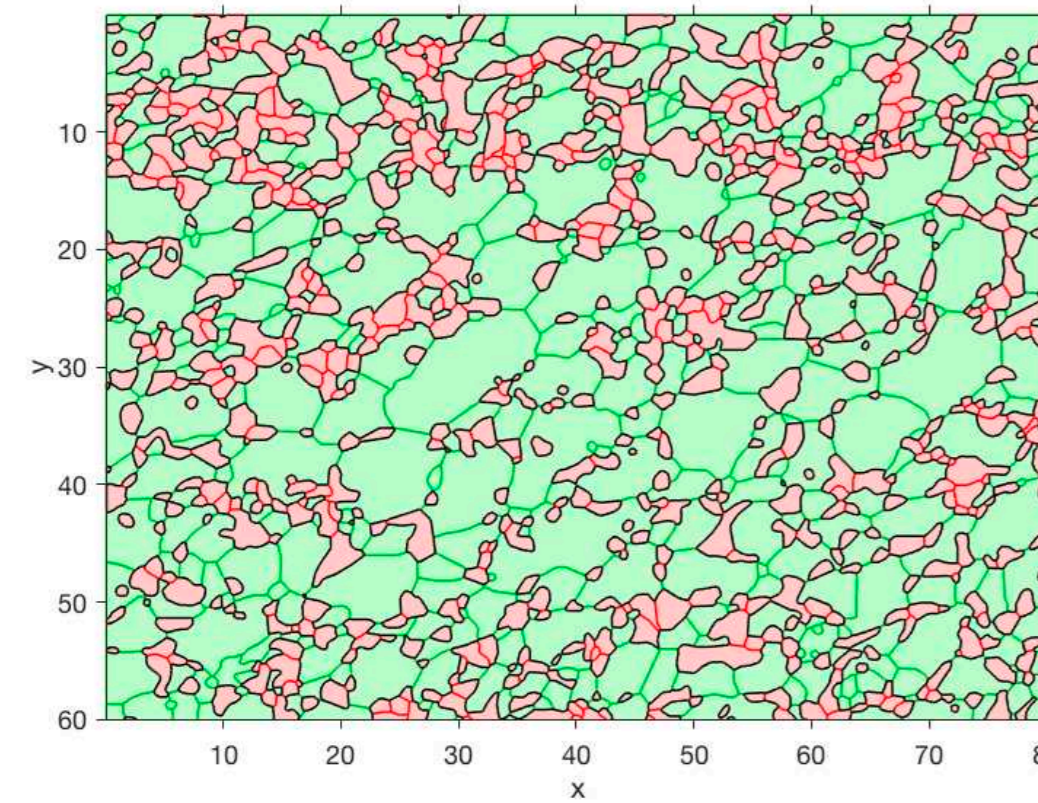
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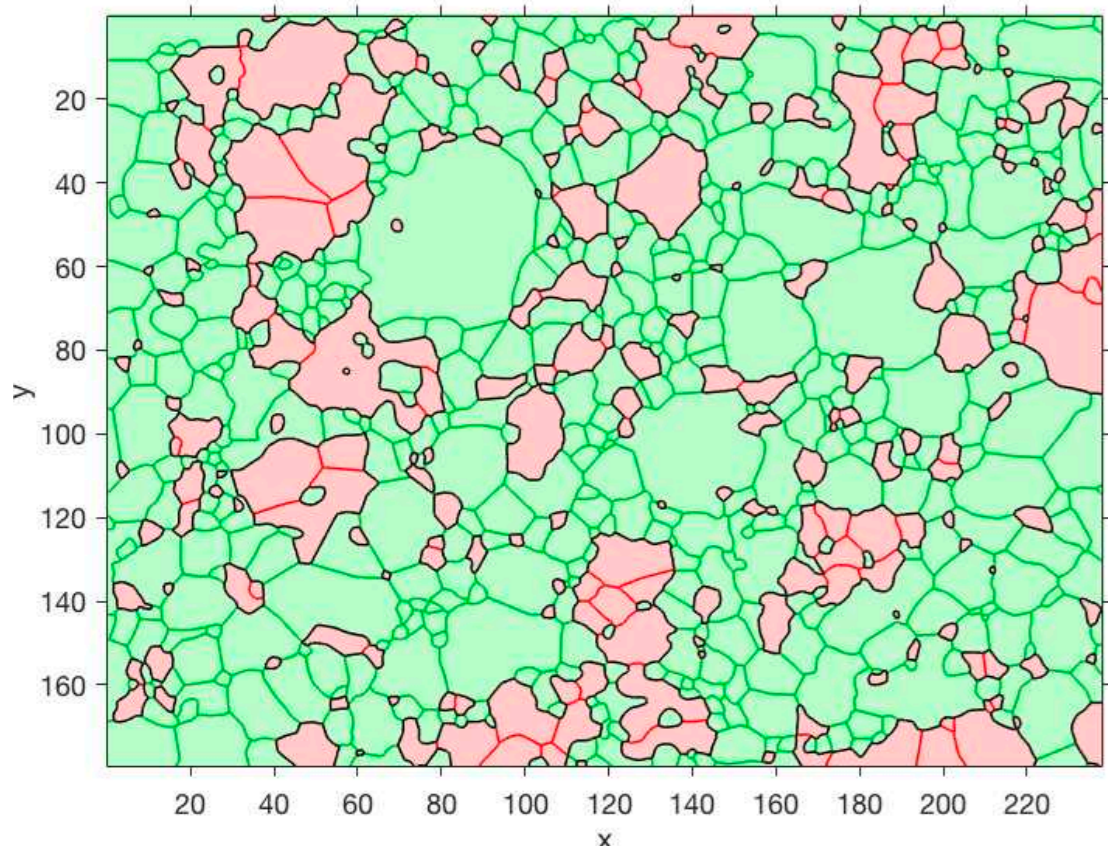
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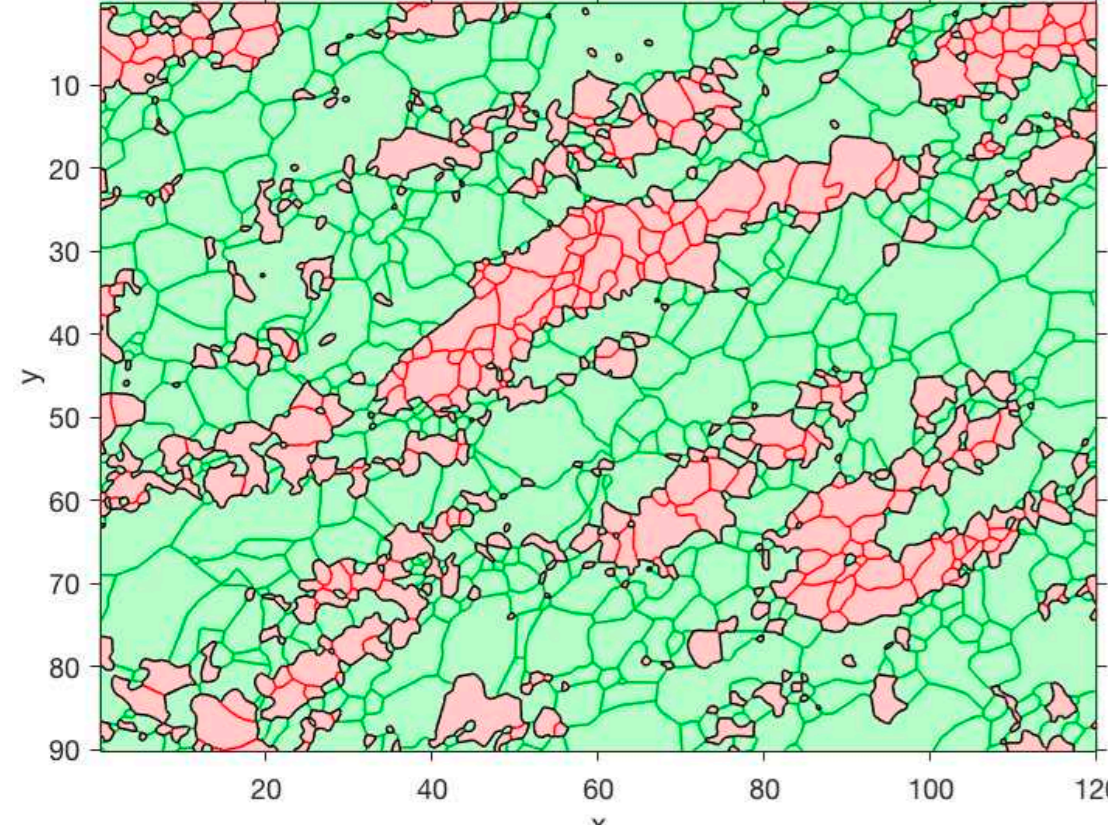
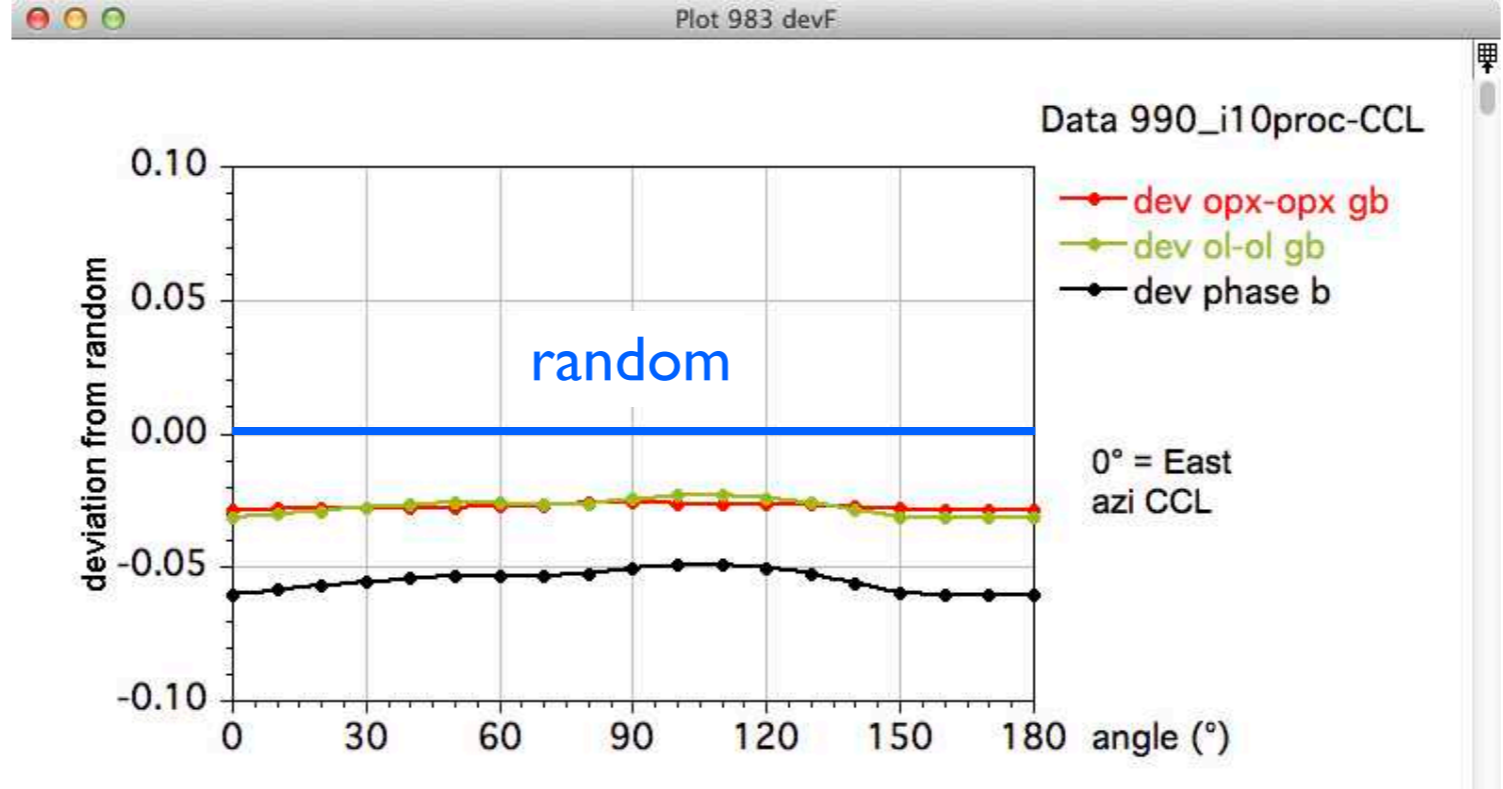
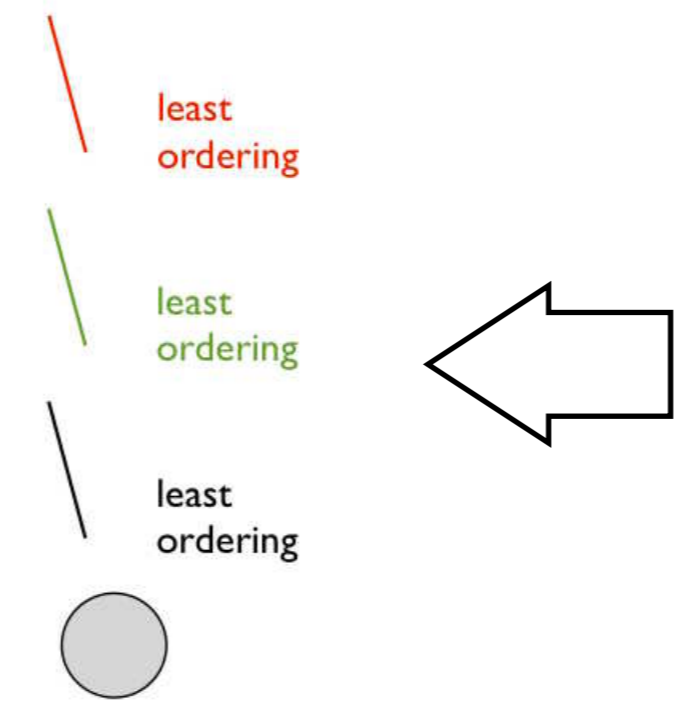


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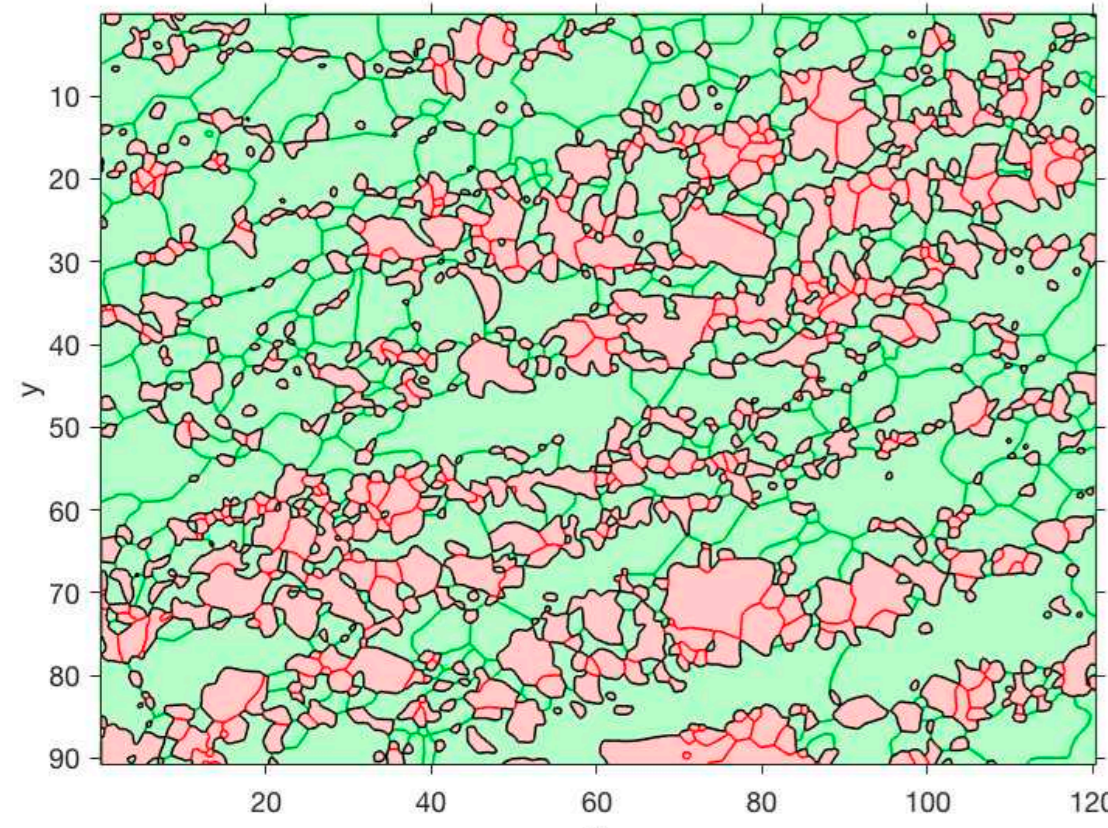
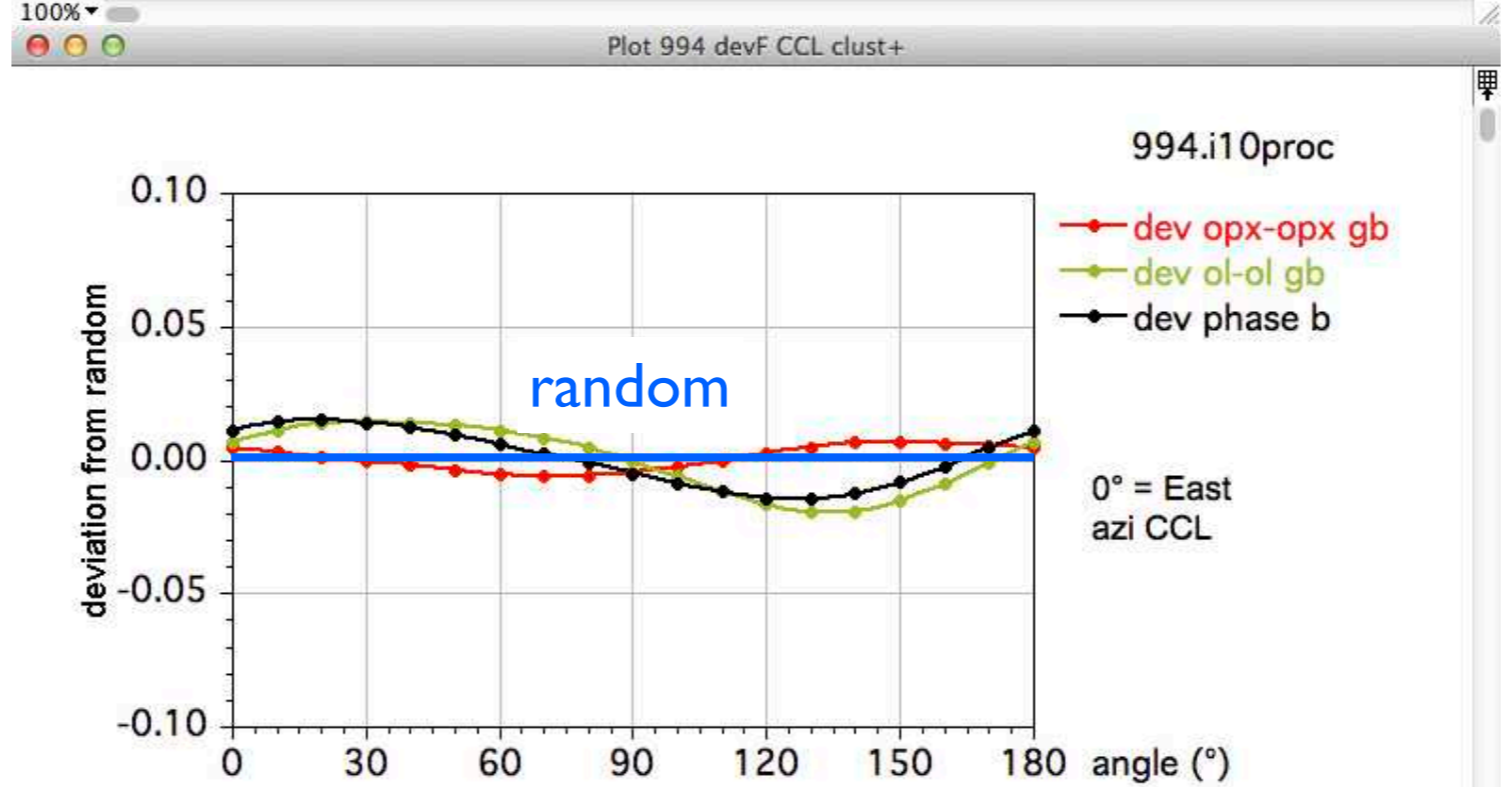
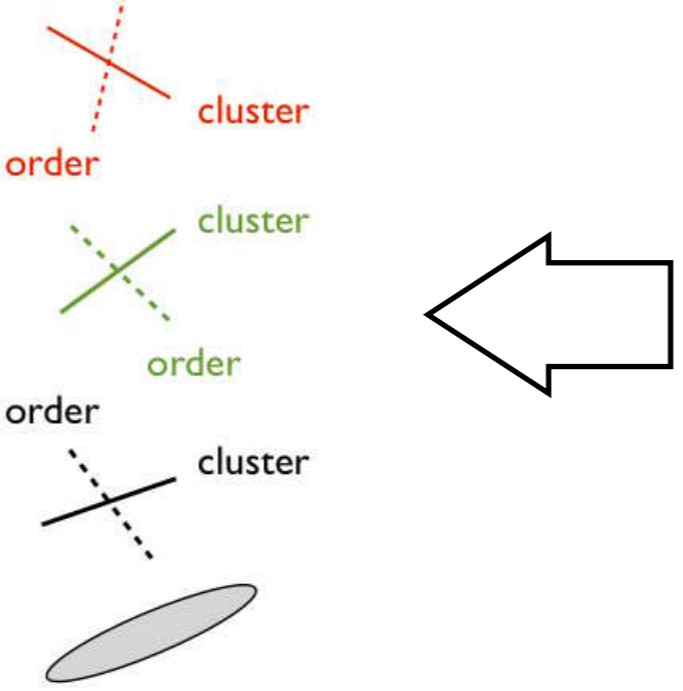
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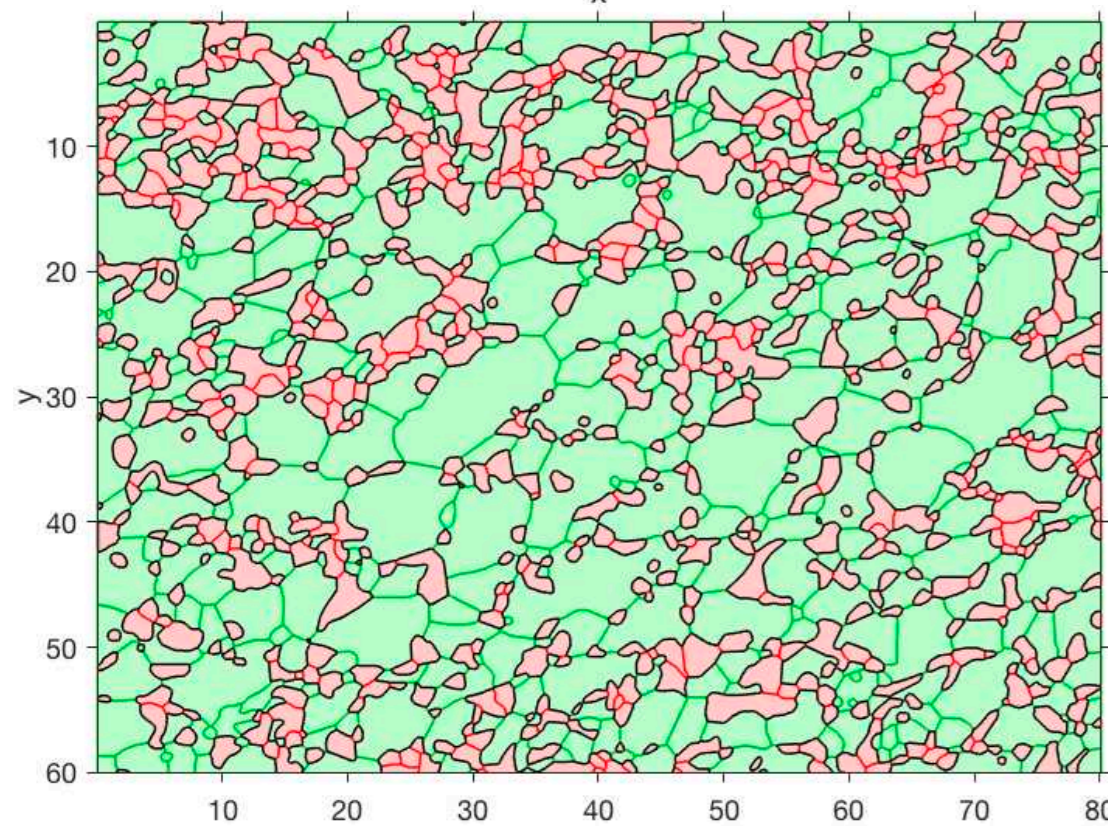
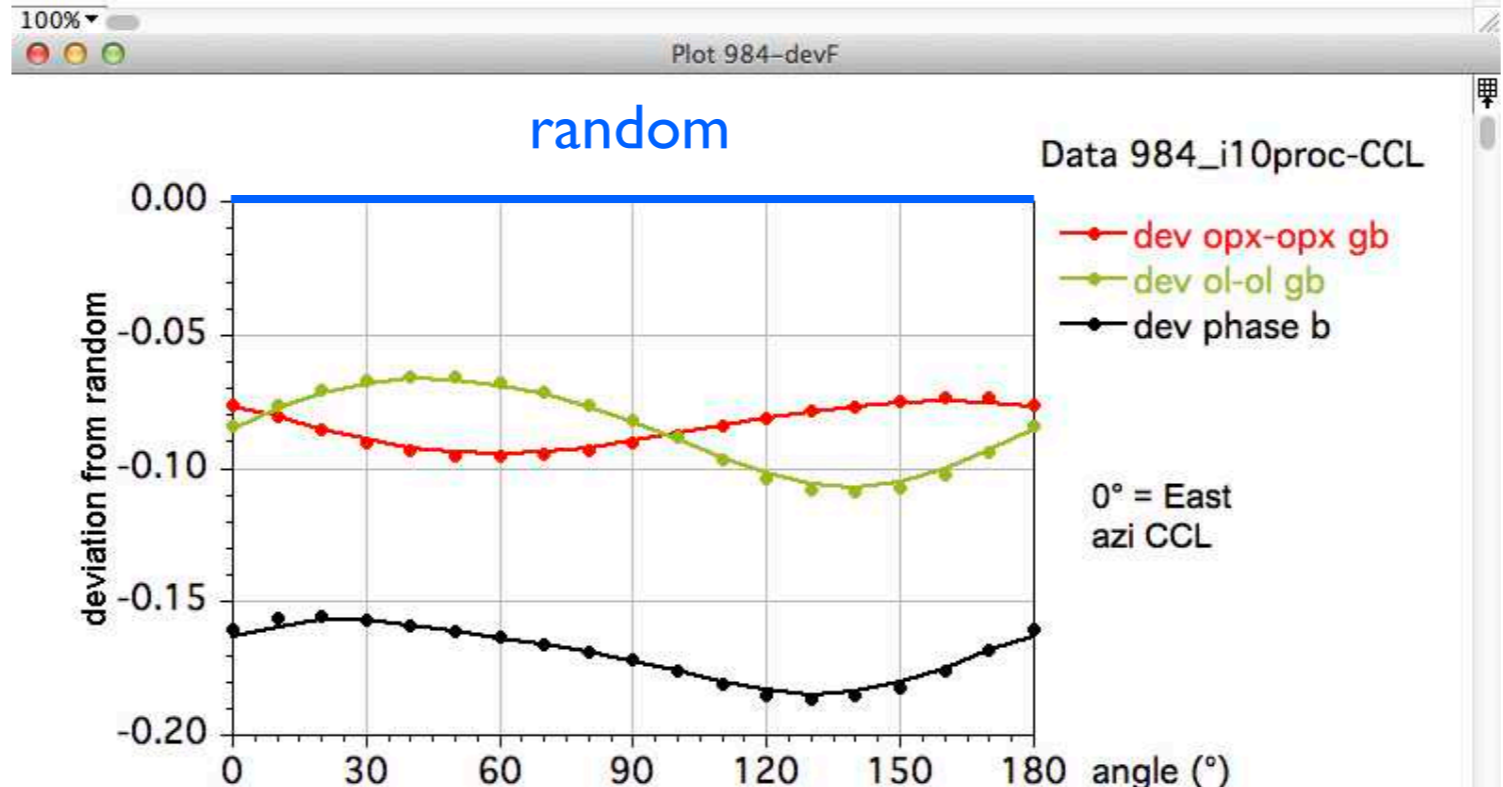
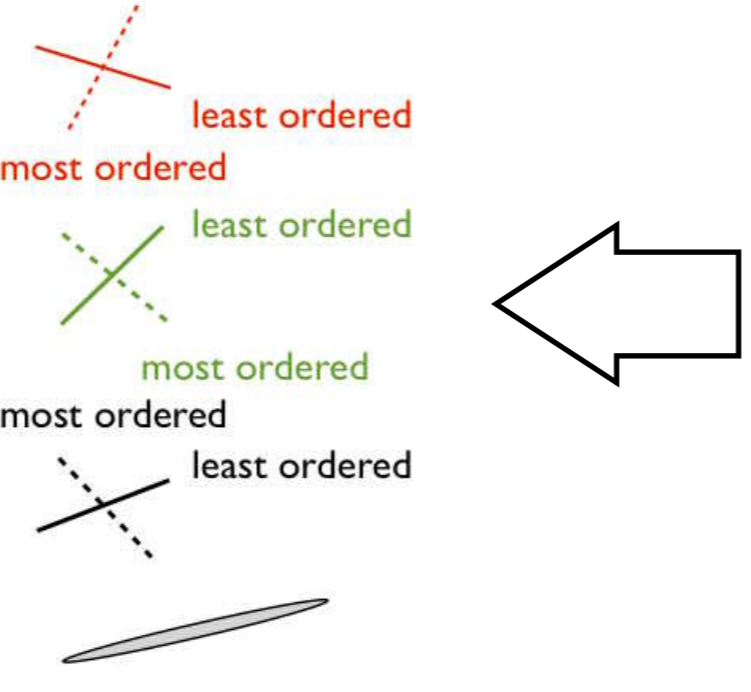
gamma = 0  
 ⇒ strain ellipse  
 a/b = 1.0  
 φ = (45°)



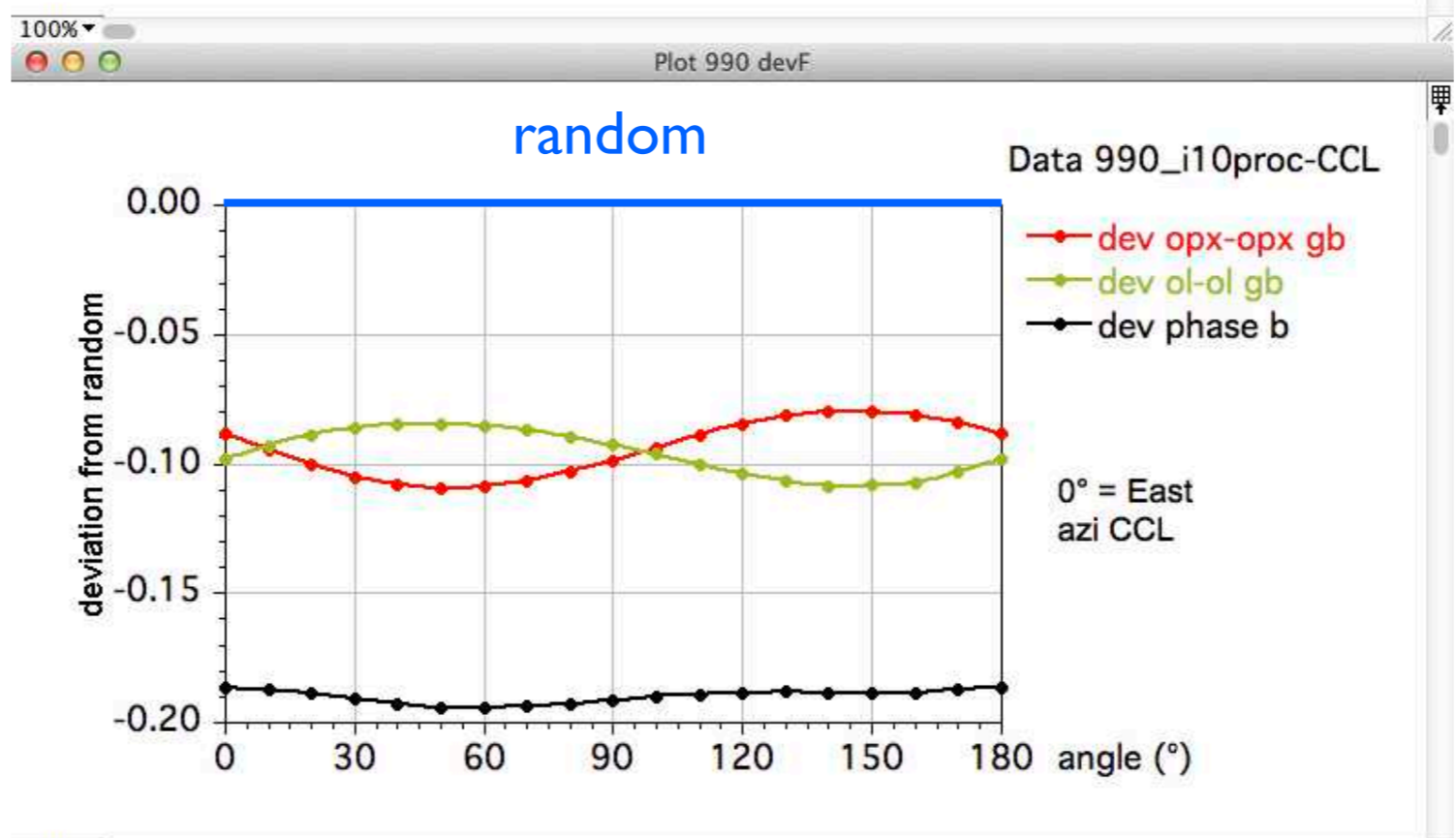
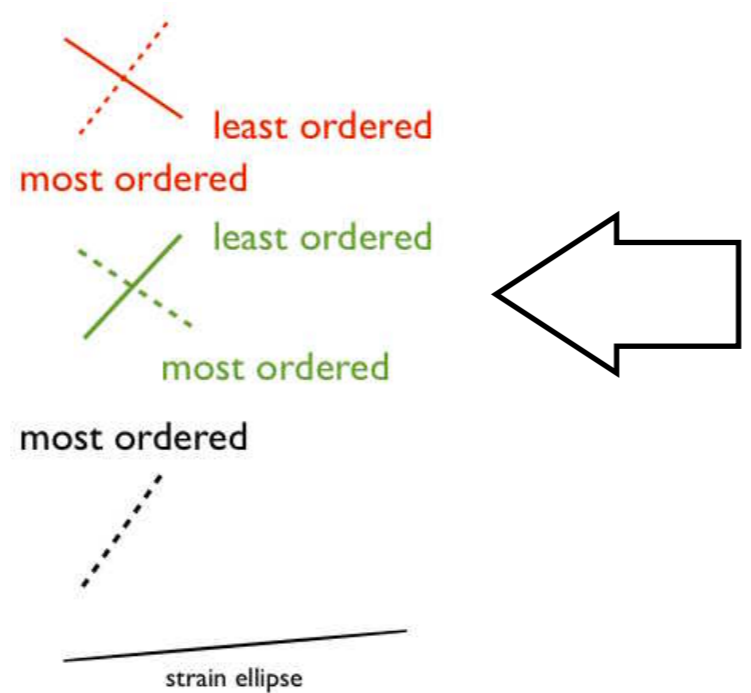
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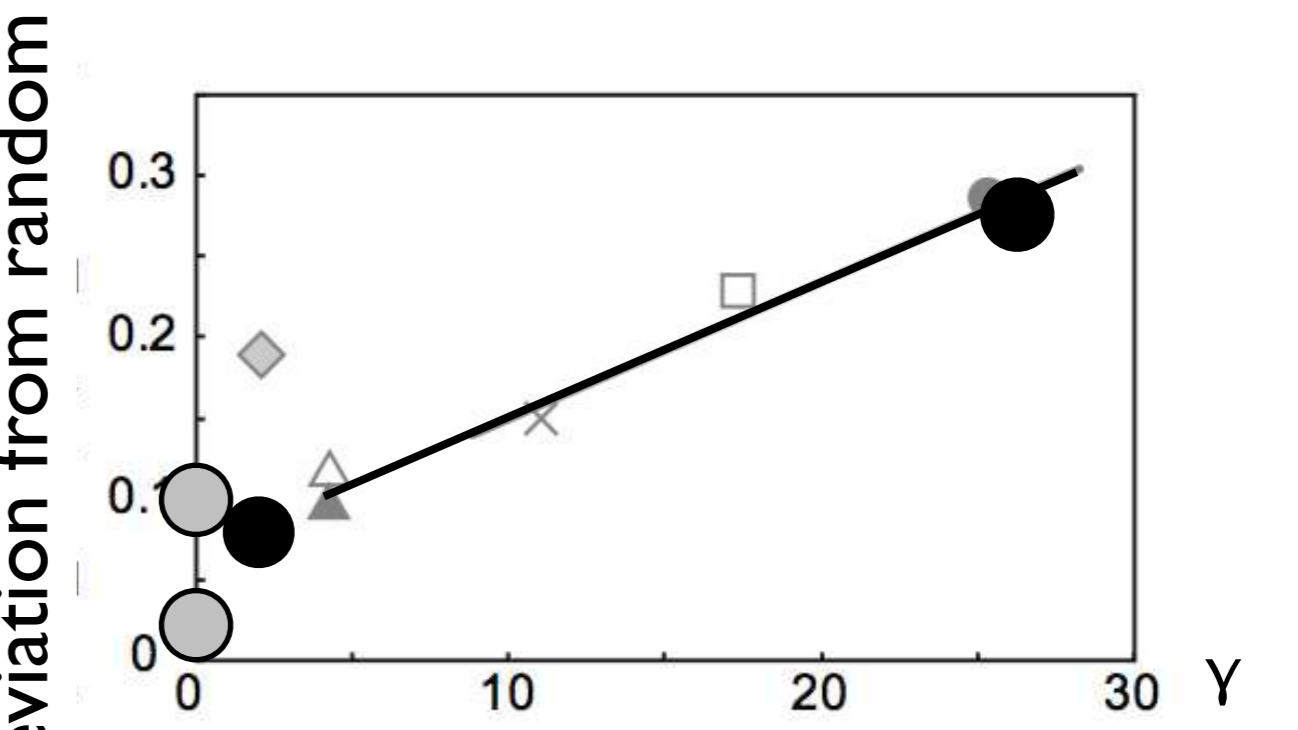
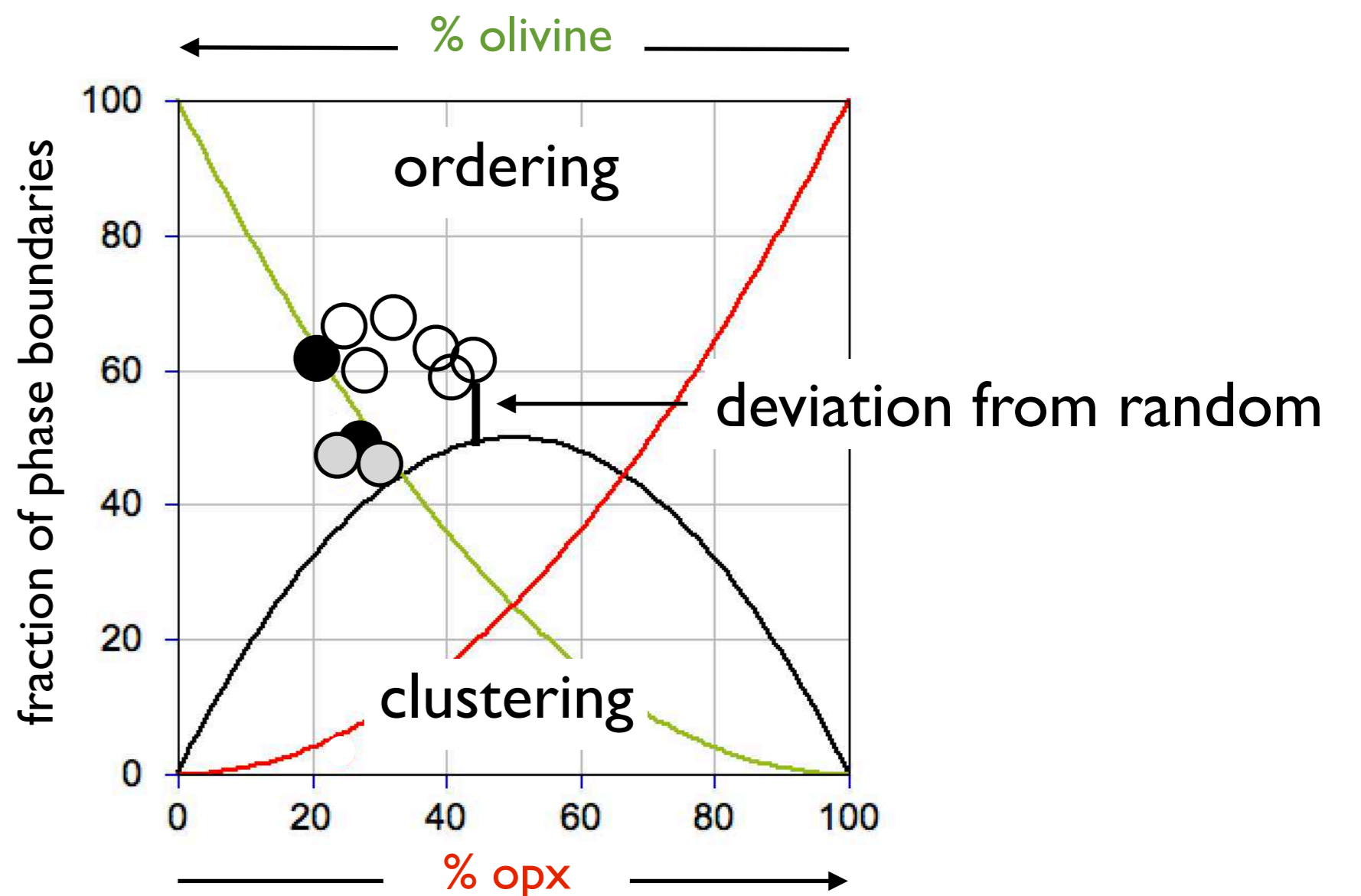
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 ⇒ strain ellipse  
 a/b = 301.3  
 φ = 5°

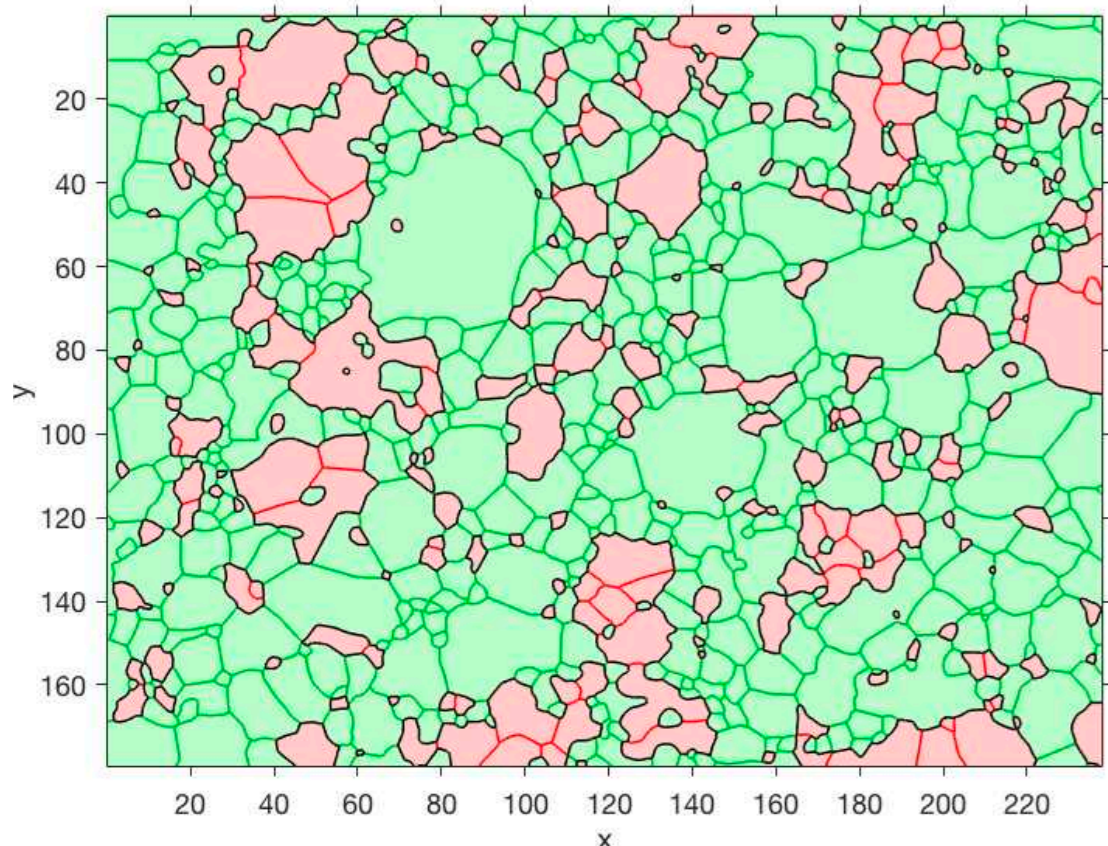


Deviation from random  
 for phase: dev = random - observed  
 for opx and ol: dev = observed - random  
 if dev > 0 ⇒ clustering  
 if dev < 0 ⇒ ordering



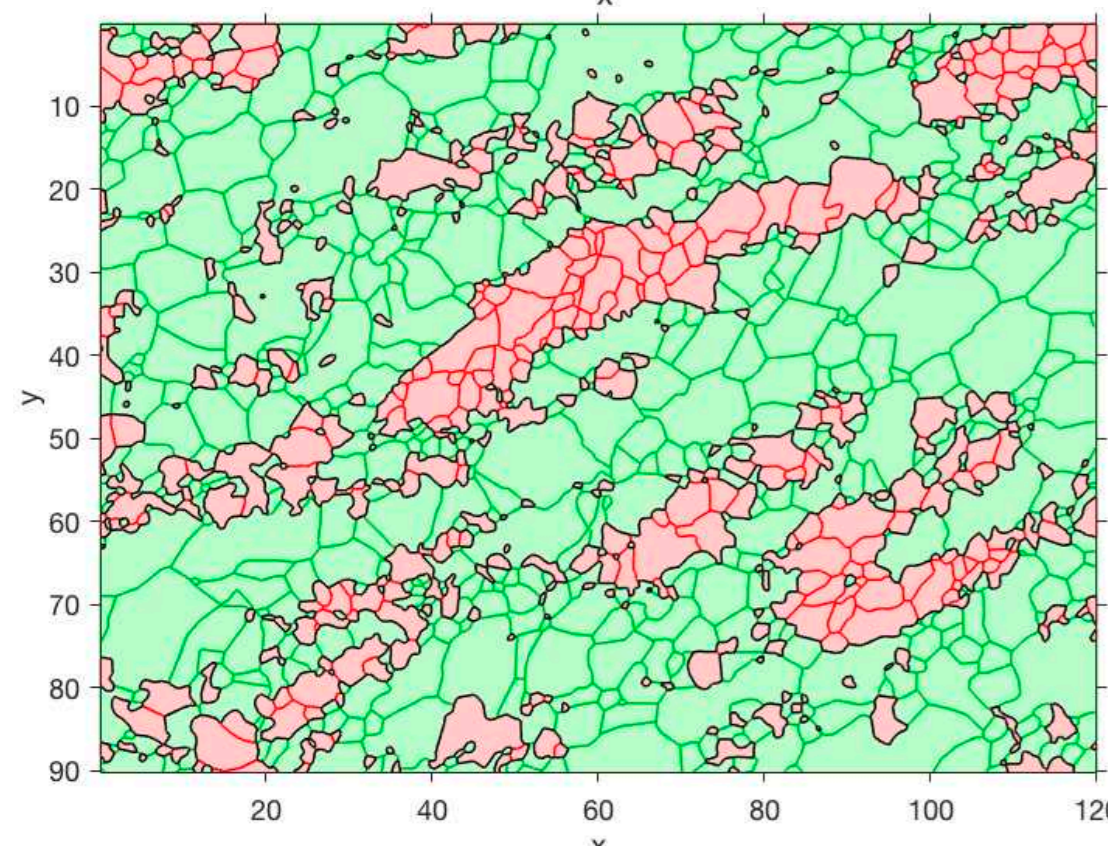
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# development of ordering anisotropy



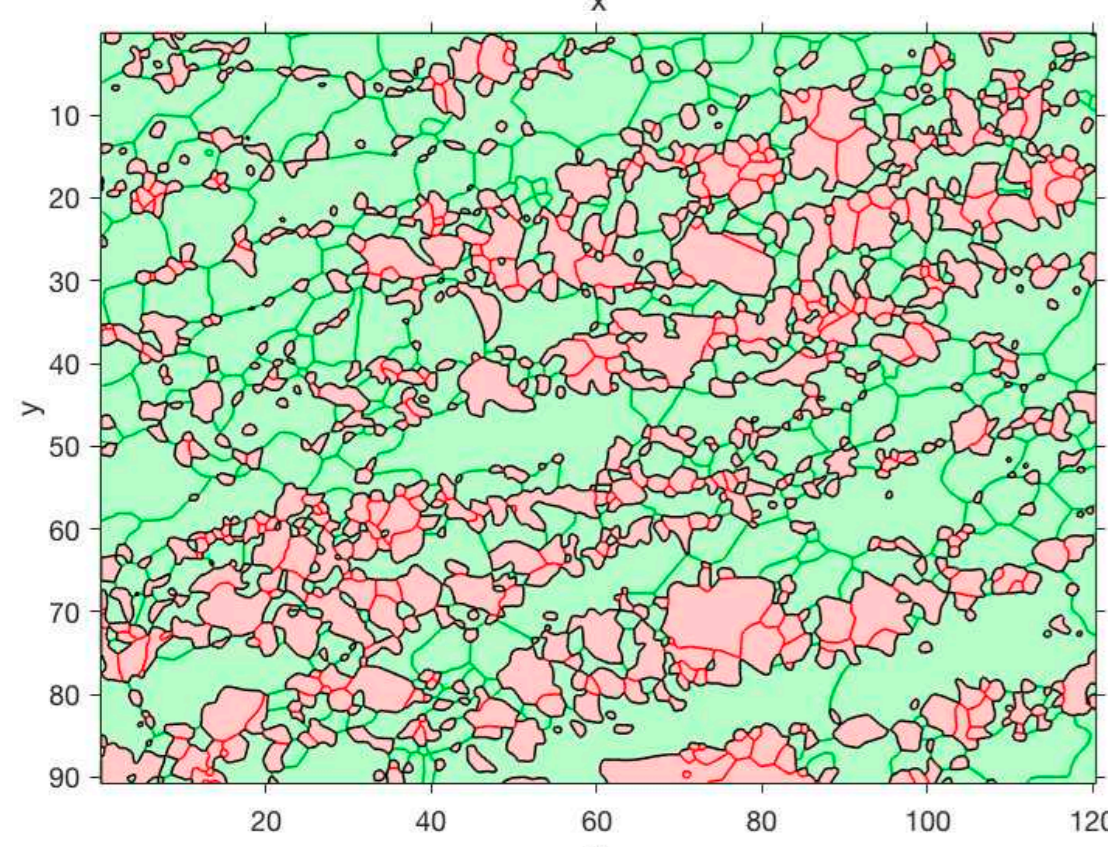
gamma = 0    a/b = 1.0    phi = (45°)

opx least ordering = ~105° (-0.022)  
 ol least ordering = ~constant (-0.026)  
 phase least ordering = ~105° (-0.049)



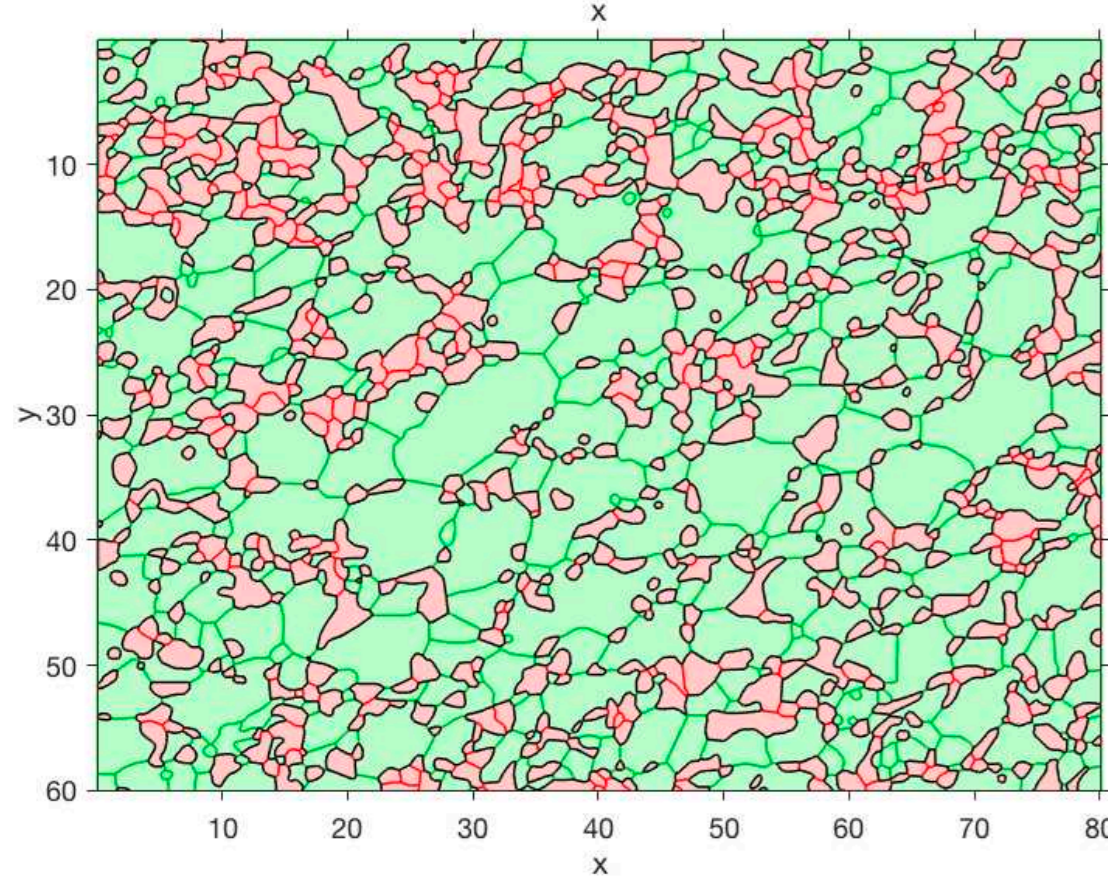
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opx most clustered = 150° (+0.007)    most ordered = 77° (-0.007)  
 ol most clustered = 36° (+0.014)    most ordered = 136° (-0.020)  
 phase most clustered = 19° (+0.016)    most ordered = 127° (-0.015)



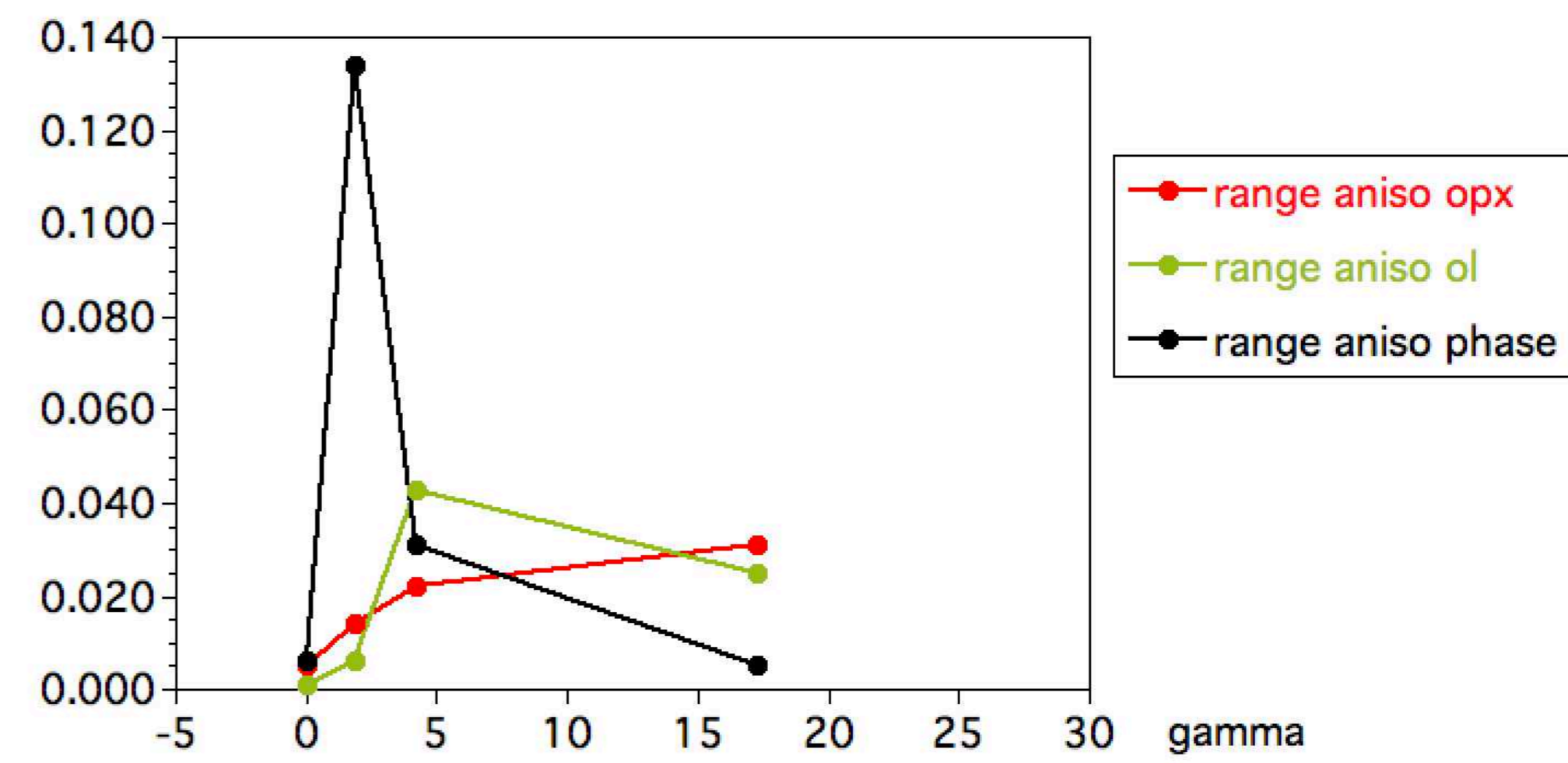
gamma = 4.2    a/b = 19.6    phi = 13°

opx least ordered = 163° (-0.074)    most ordered = 61° (-0.096)  
 ol least ordered = 44° (-0.066)    most ordered = 140° (-0.109)  
 phase least ordered = 22° (-0.156)    most ordered = 133° (-0.187)



gamma = 17.3    a/b = 301.3    phi = (5°)

opx least ordered = 146° (-0.079)    most ordered = 52° (-0.110)  
 ol least ordered = 47° (-0.083)    most ordered = 146° (-0.108)  
 phase least ordered = -° (-0.189)    most ordered = 55° (-0.194)



at high shrear strains  
 anisotropy of opx grows due to layering (?)  
 anisotropy of ol and phase decreases

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## the story

the published data

further development of analysis:

1. using surface fractions
2. adding opx-opx and ol-ol data
3. consider grain size
4. directional ordering - clustering

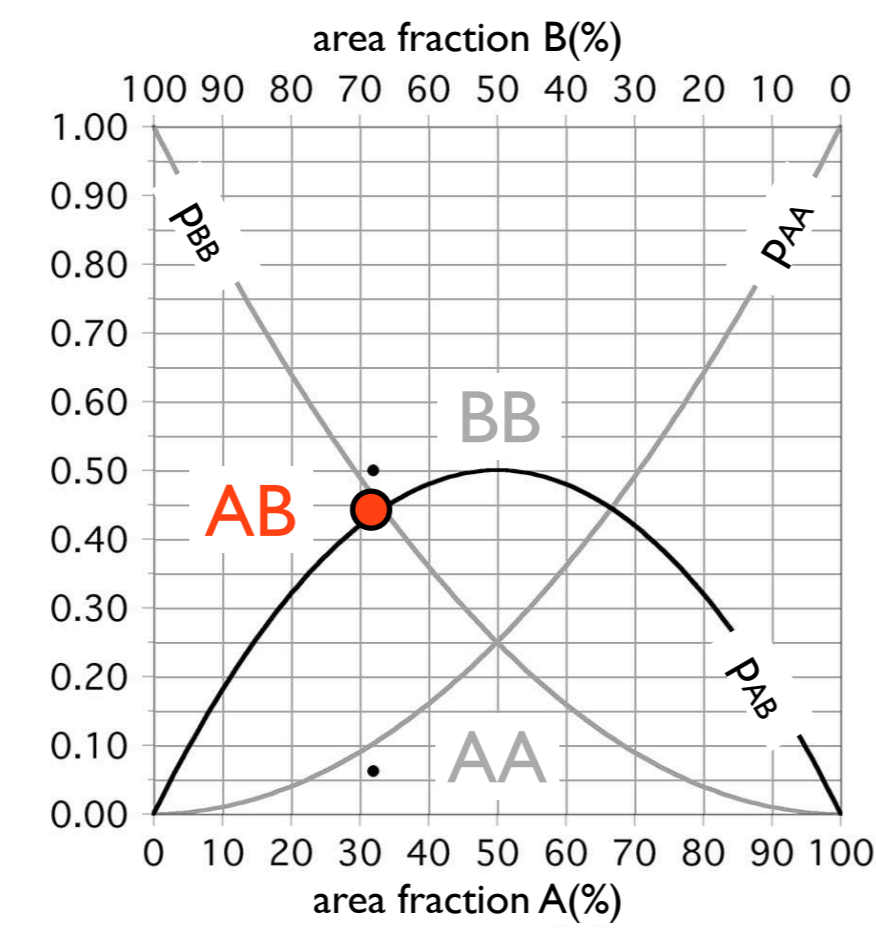
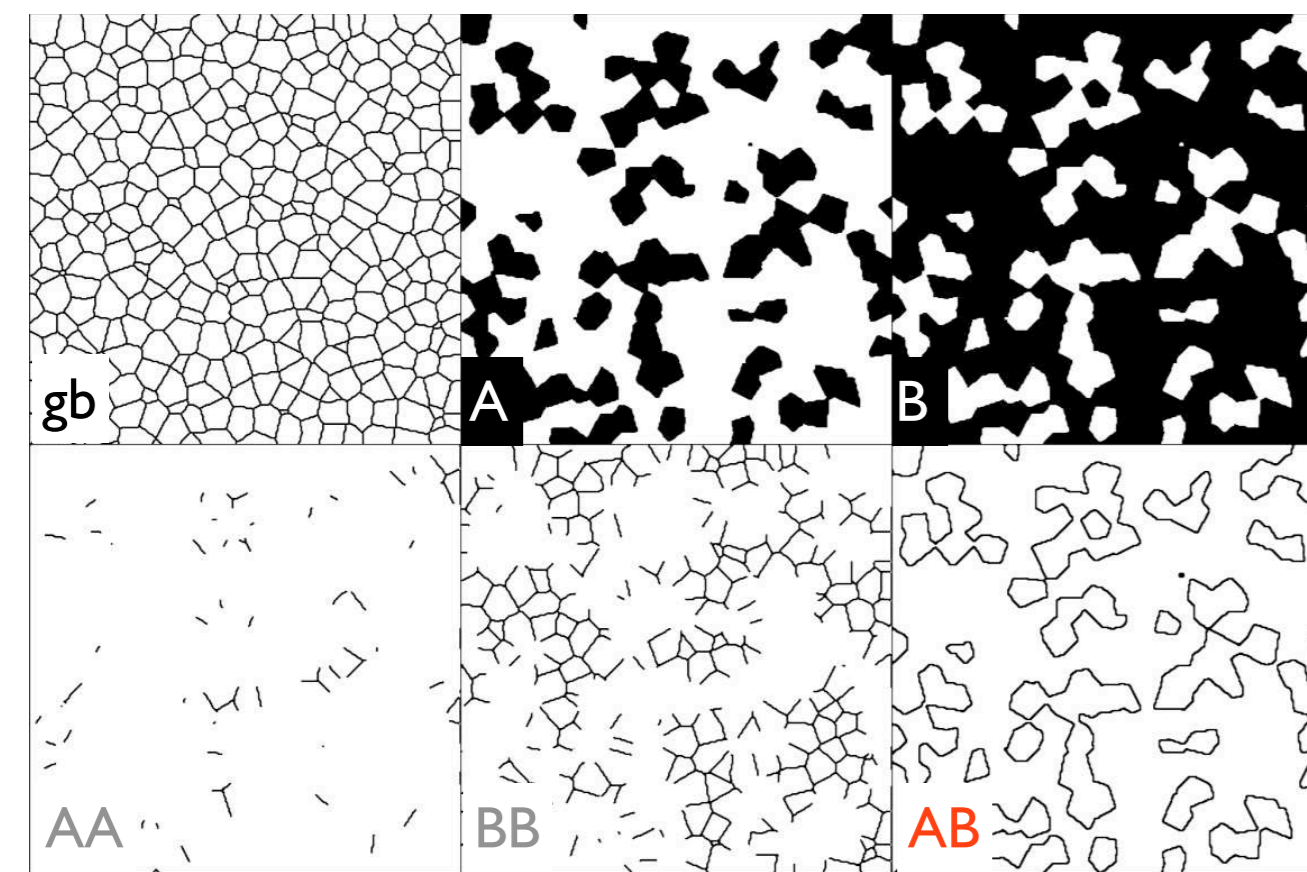
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- (1) background for contact surface analysis
- (2) procedure for analysis using Image SXM
- (3) testing the method
- (4) grain size measurements

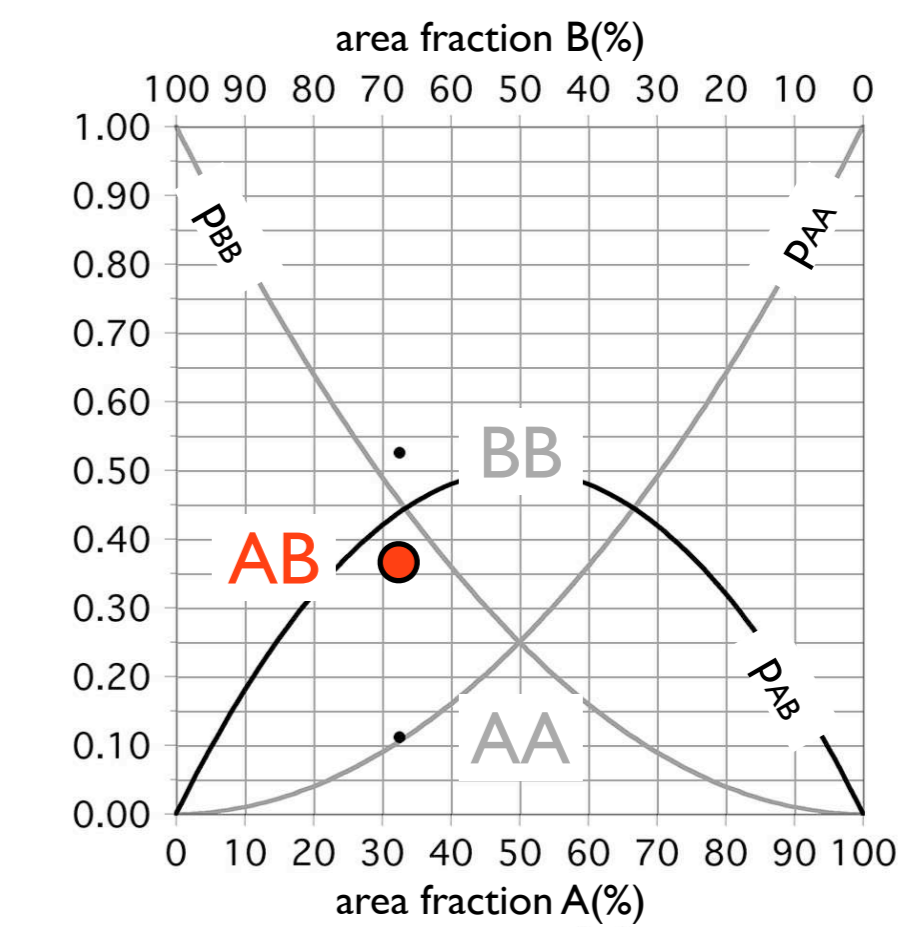
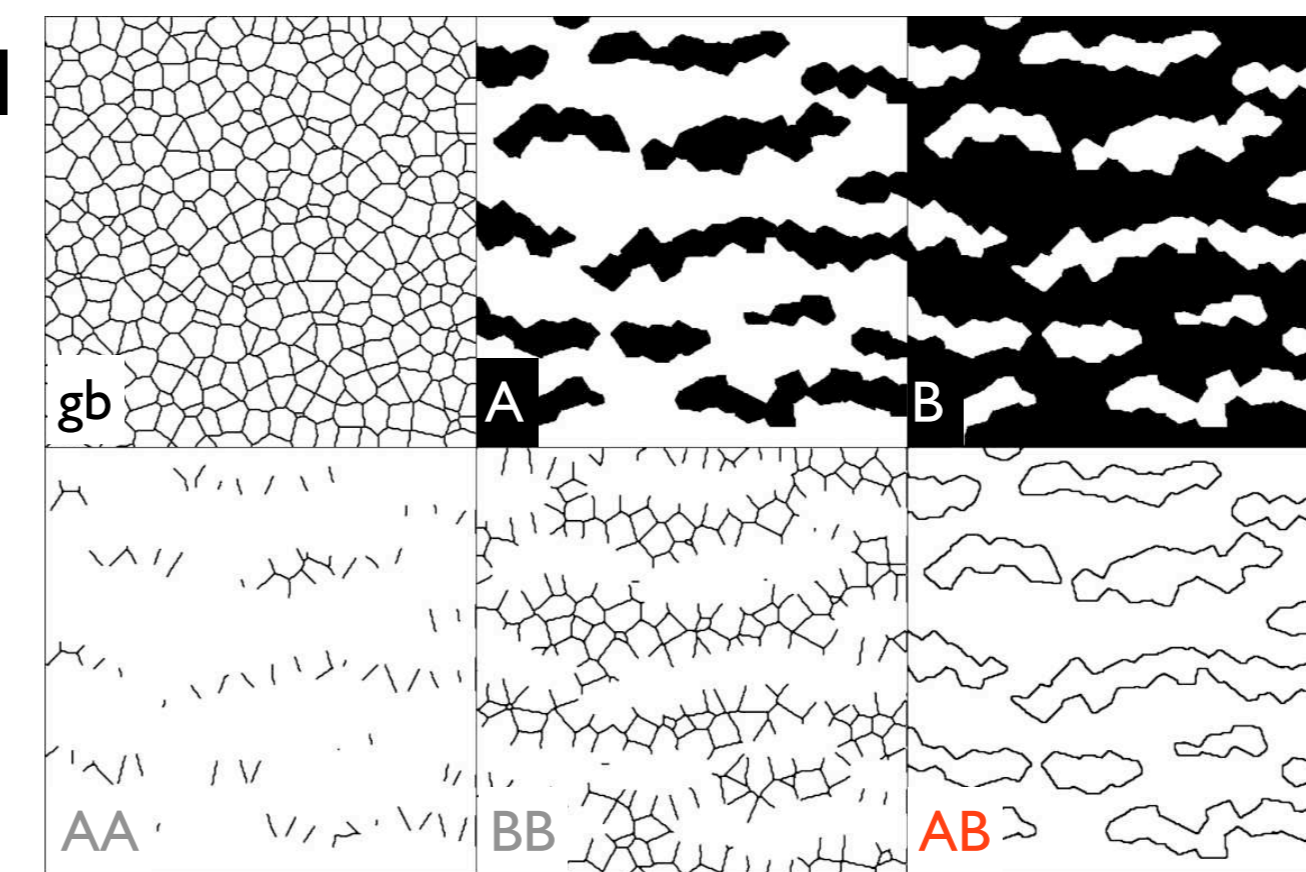
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## background for contact surface analysis

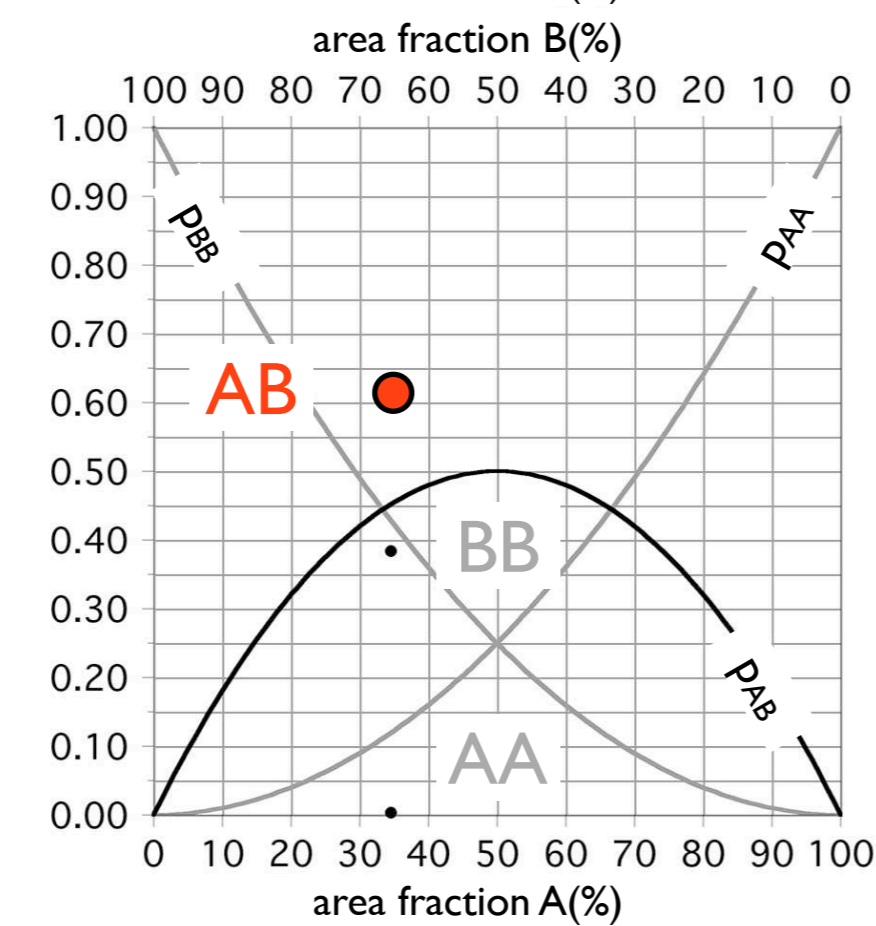
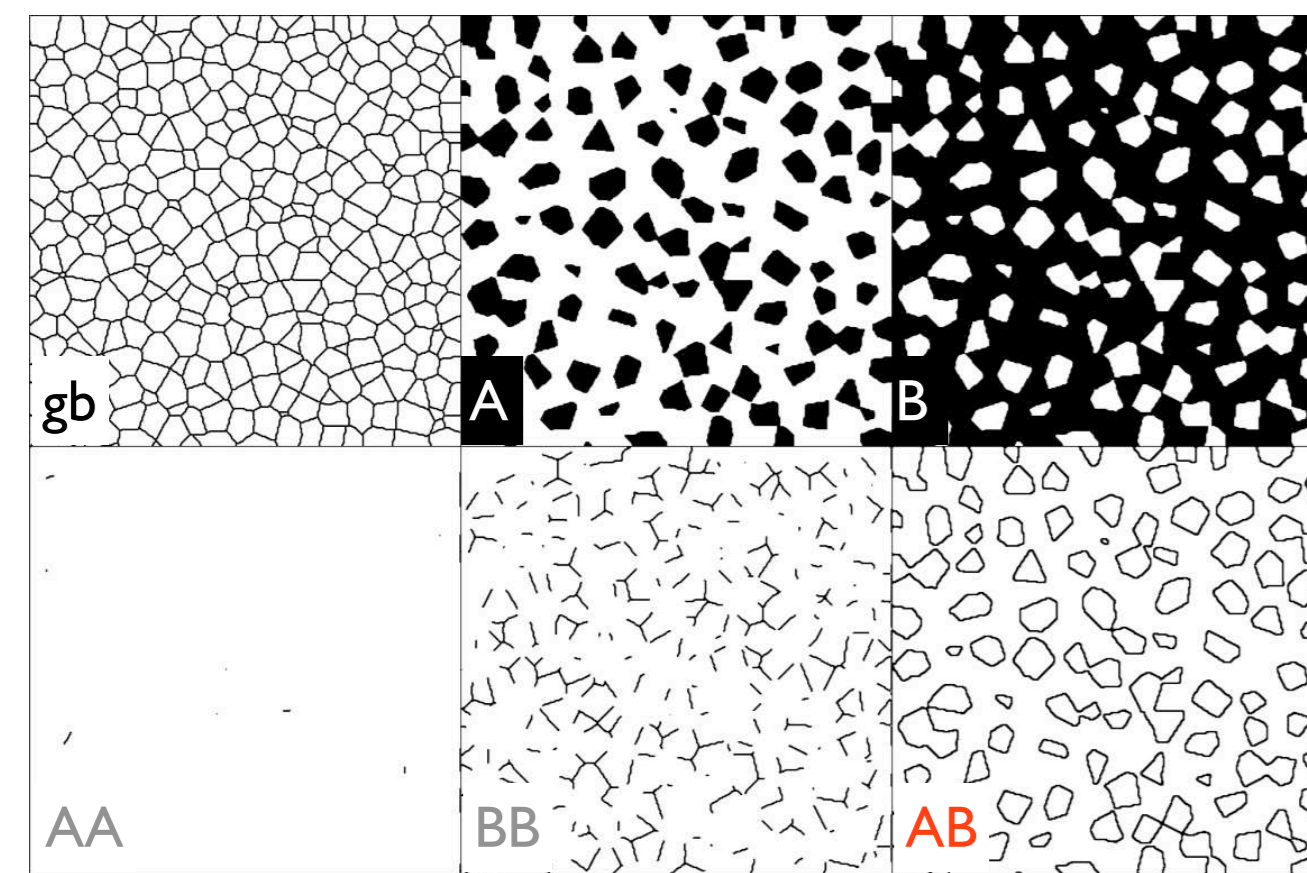
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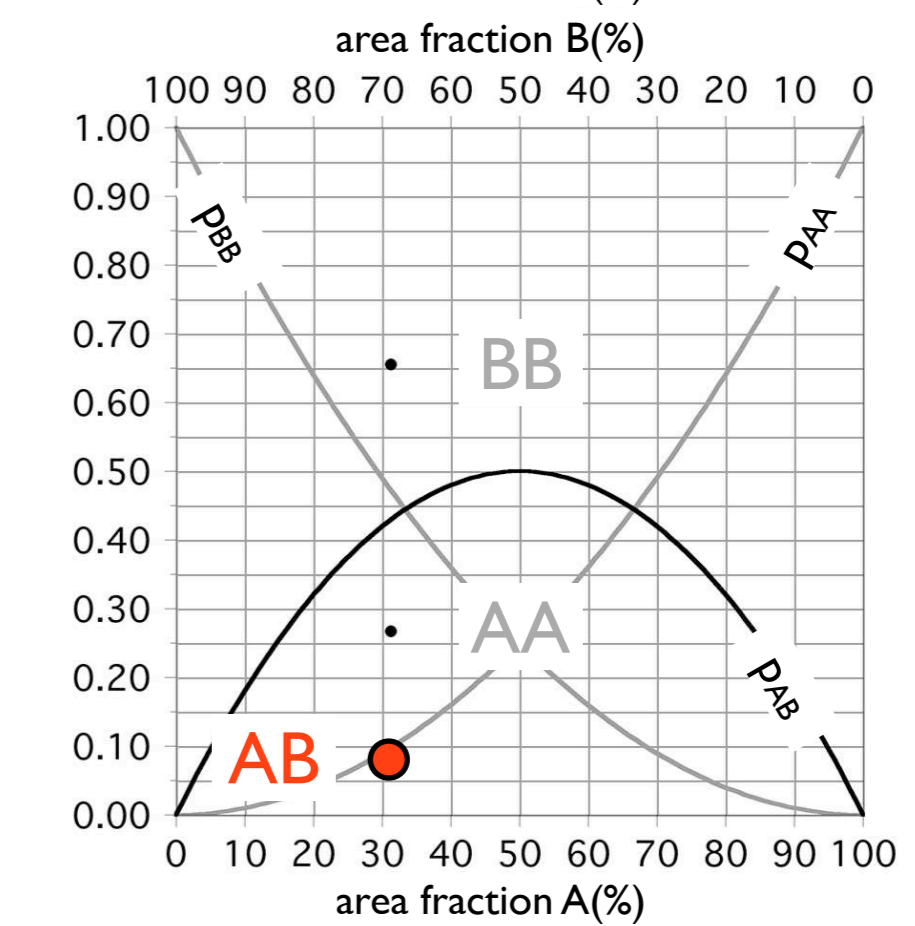
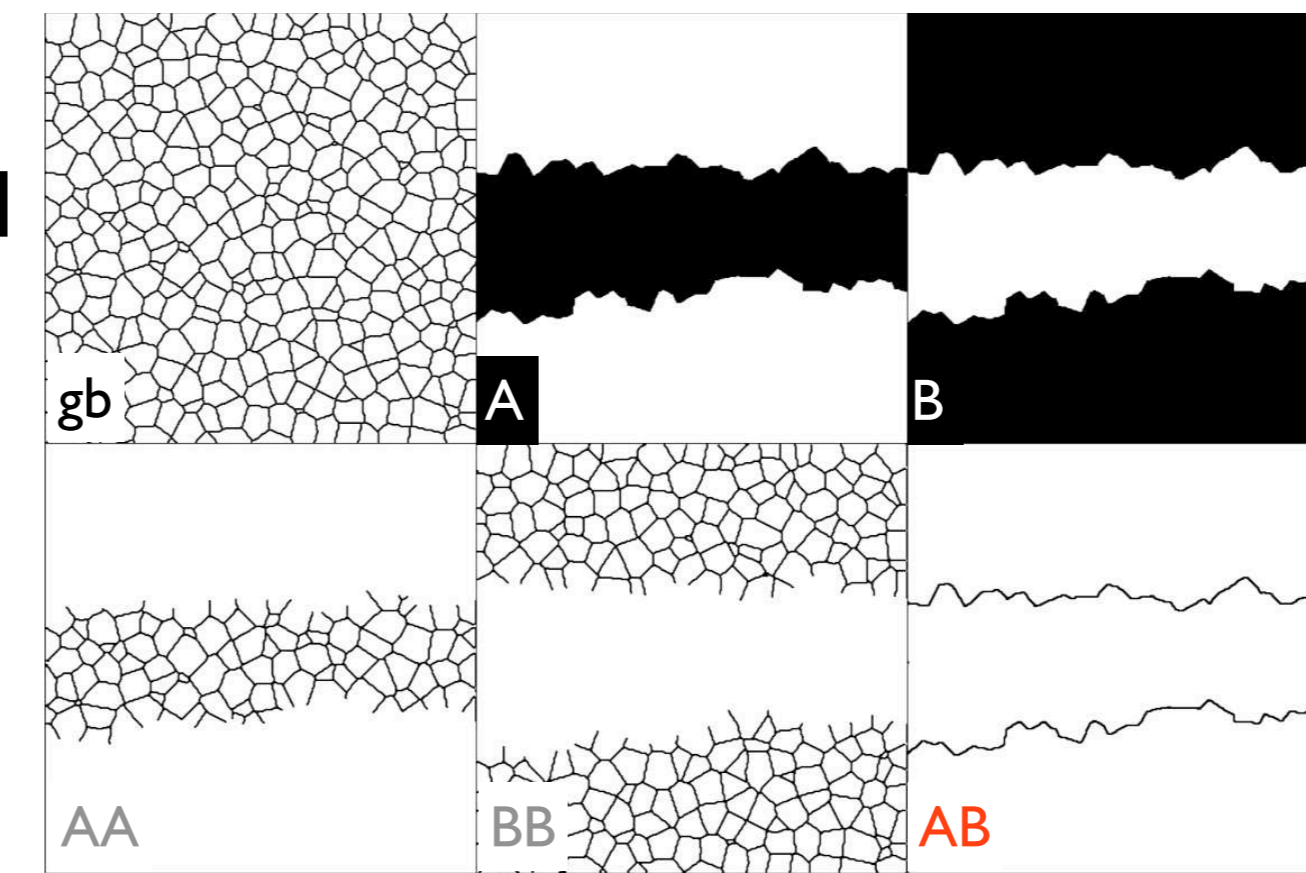
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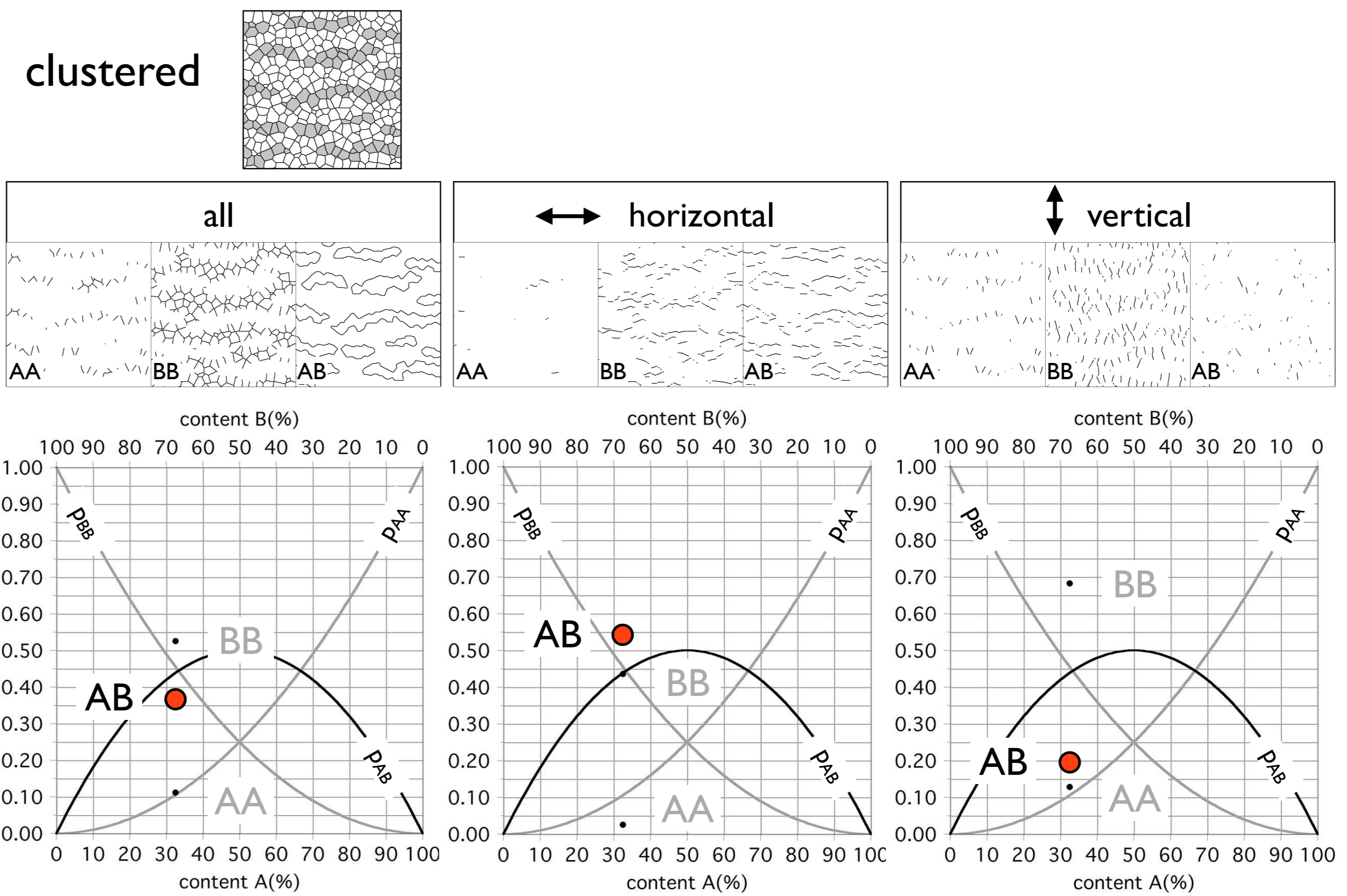
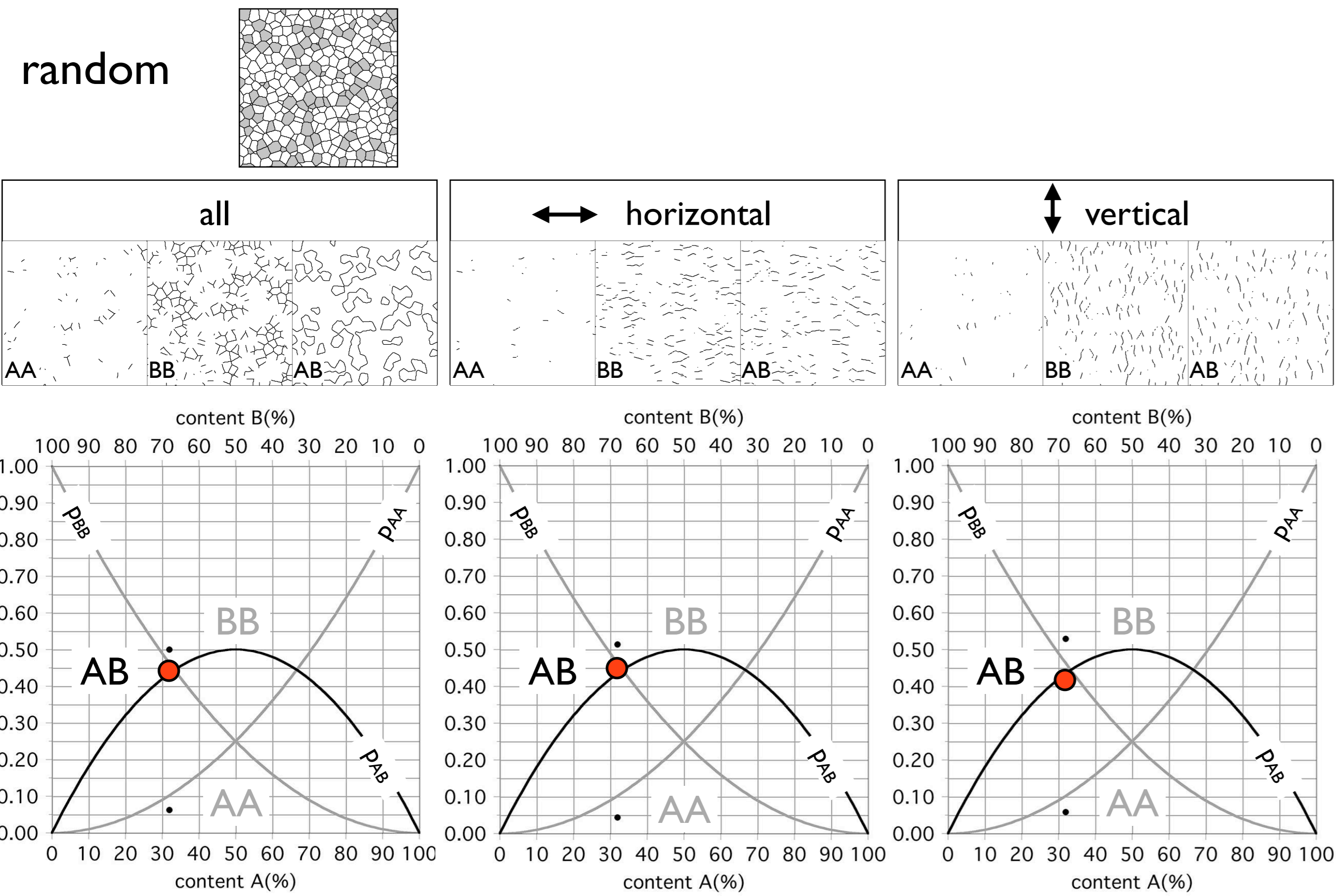


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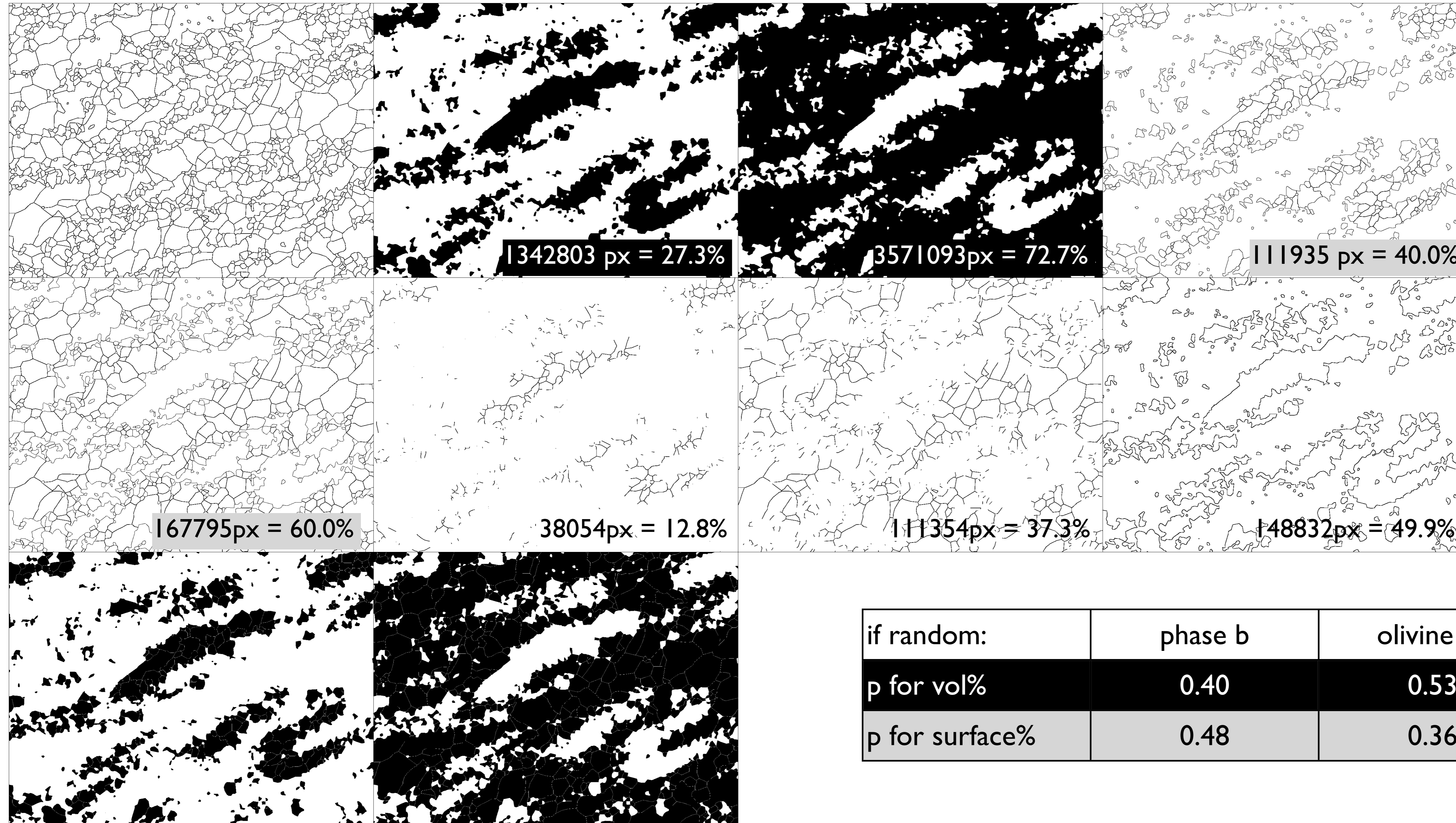
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## anisotropic cases



# additional info (2)

## analyzing contact surfaces using Image SXM / Lazy contacts





# additional info (3)

testing the method:





1. using different maps of same area
2. testing 1 phase against rest
3. testing two phases without rest

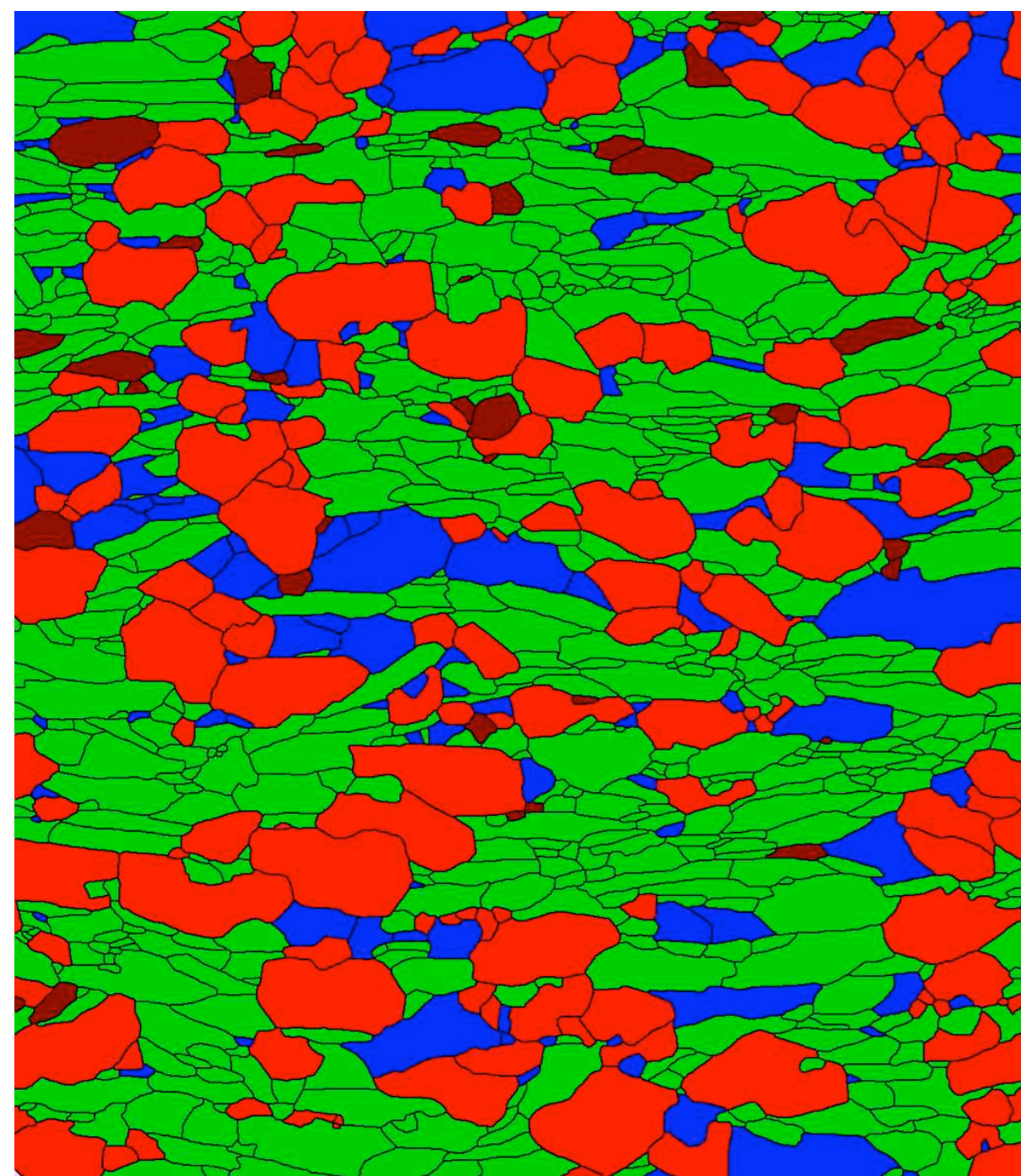
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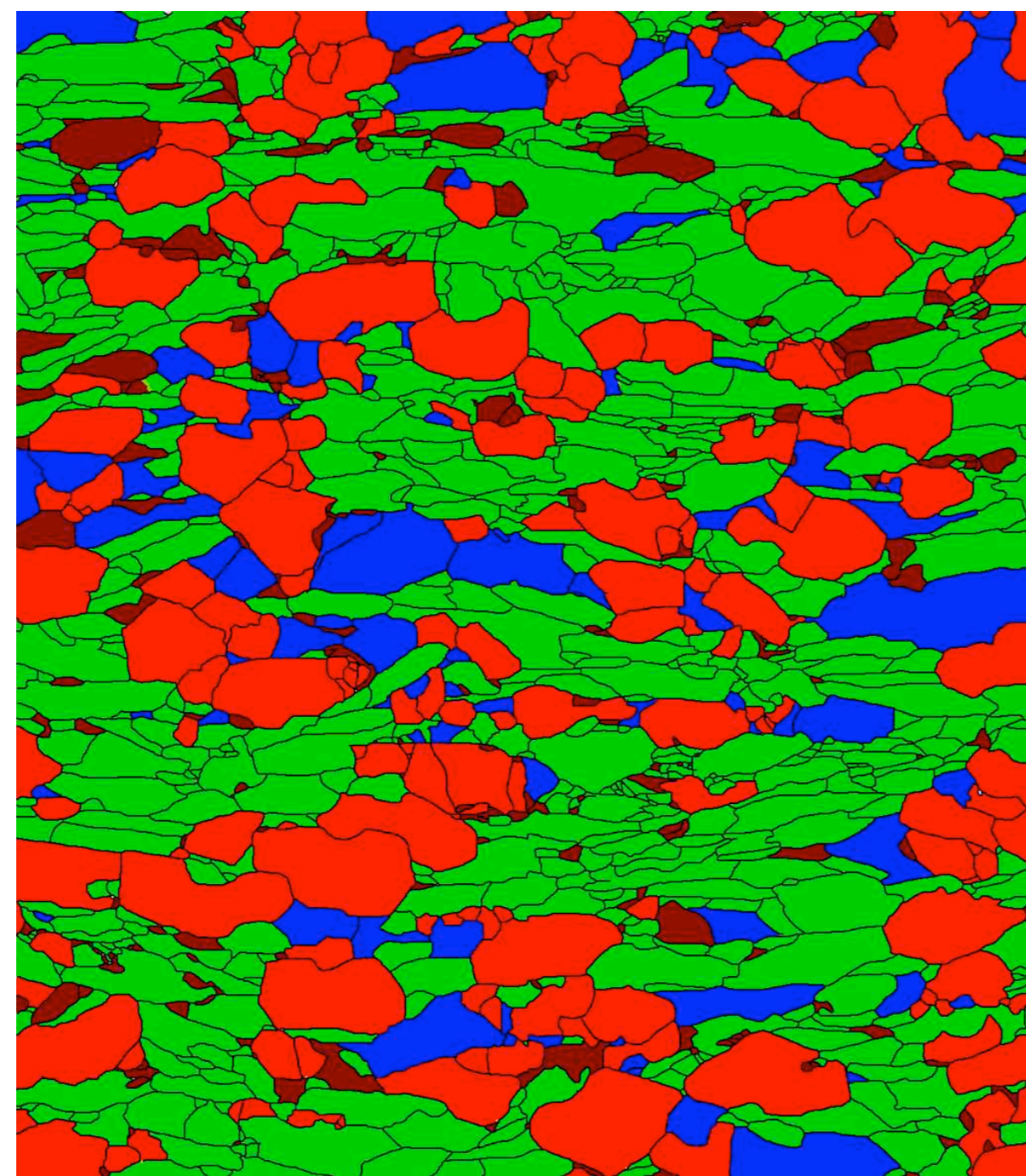
the famous M3 party

Members were asked by James to manually outline grains. They all got the same SEM/BS image ... and came up with slightly different interpretations:

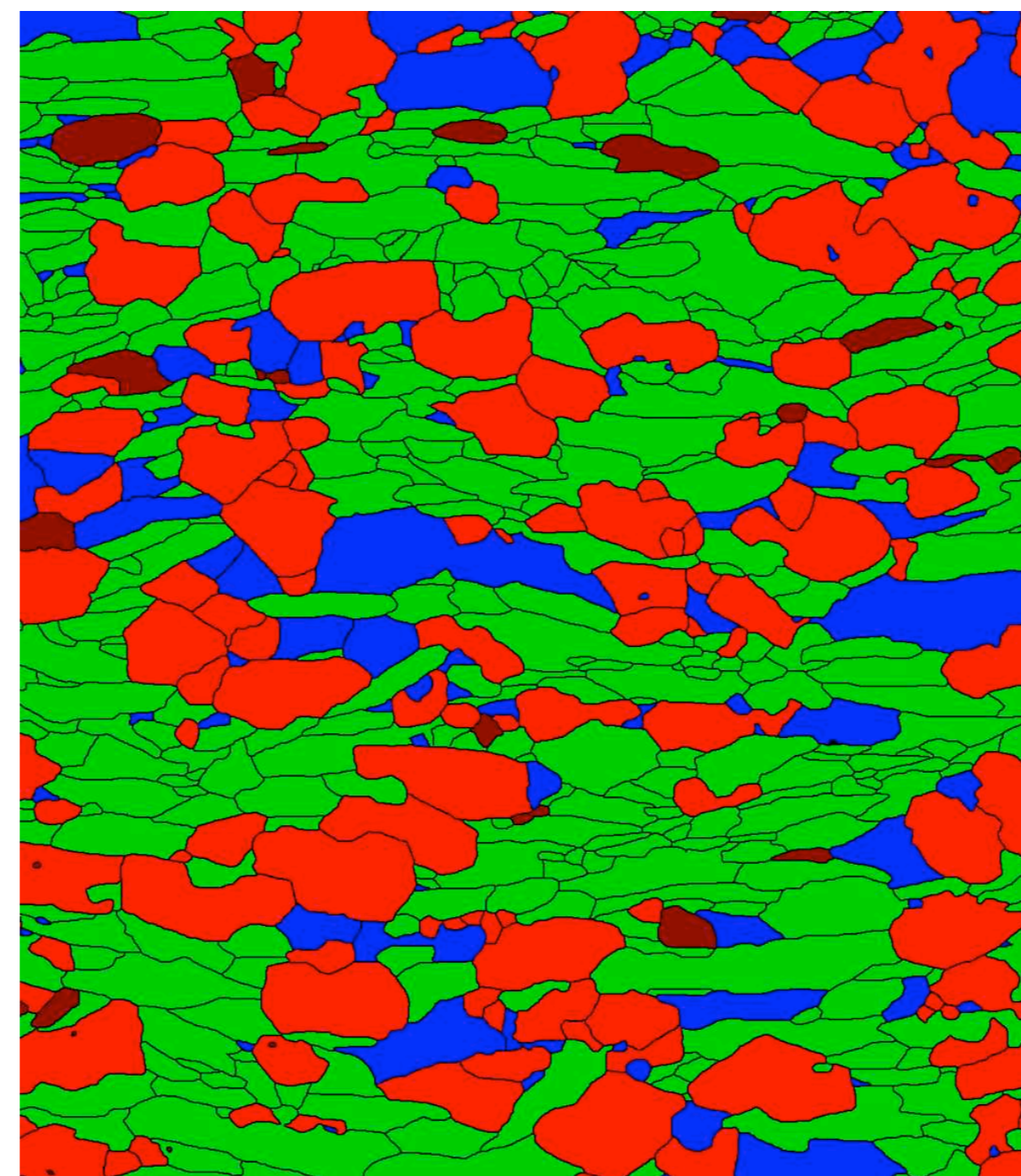
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-  quartz
-  unidentified



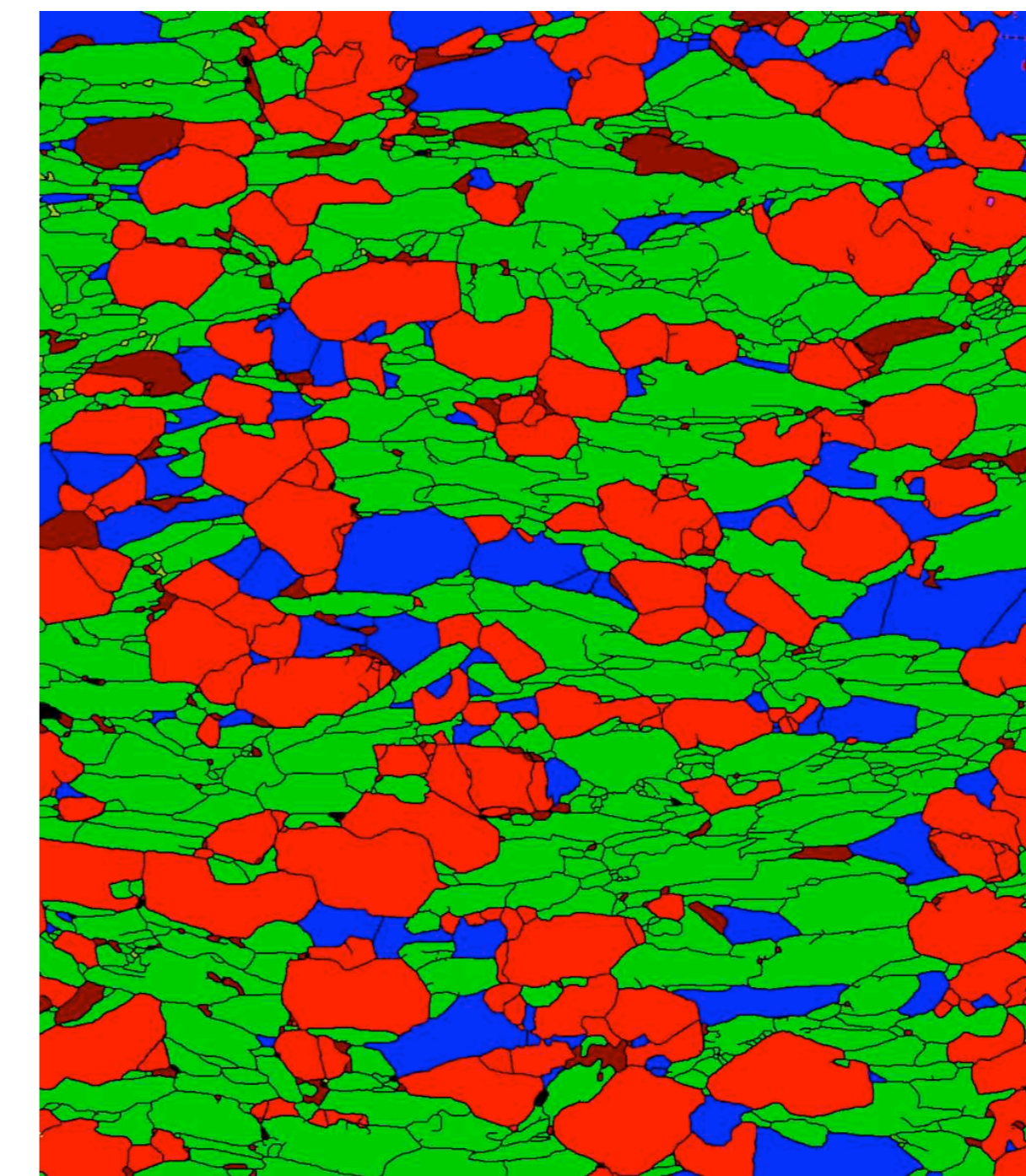
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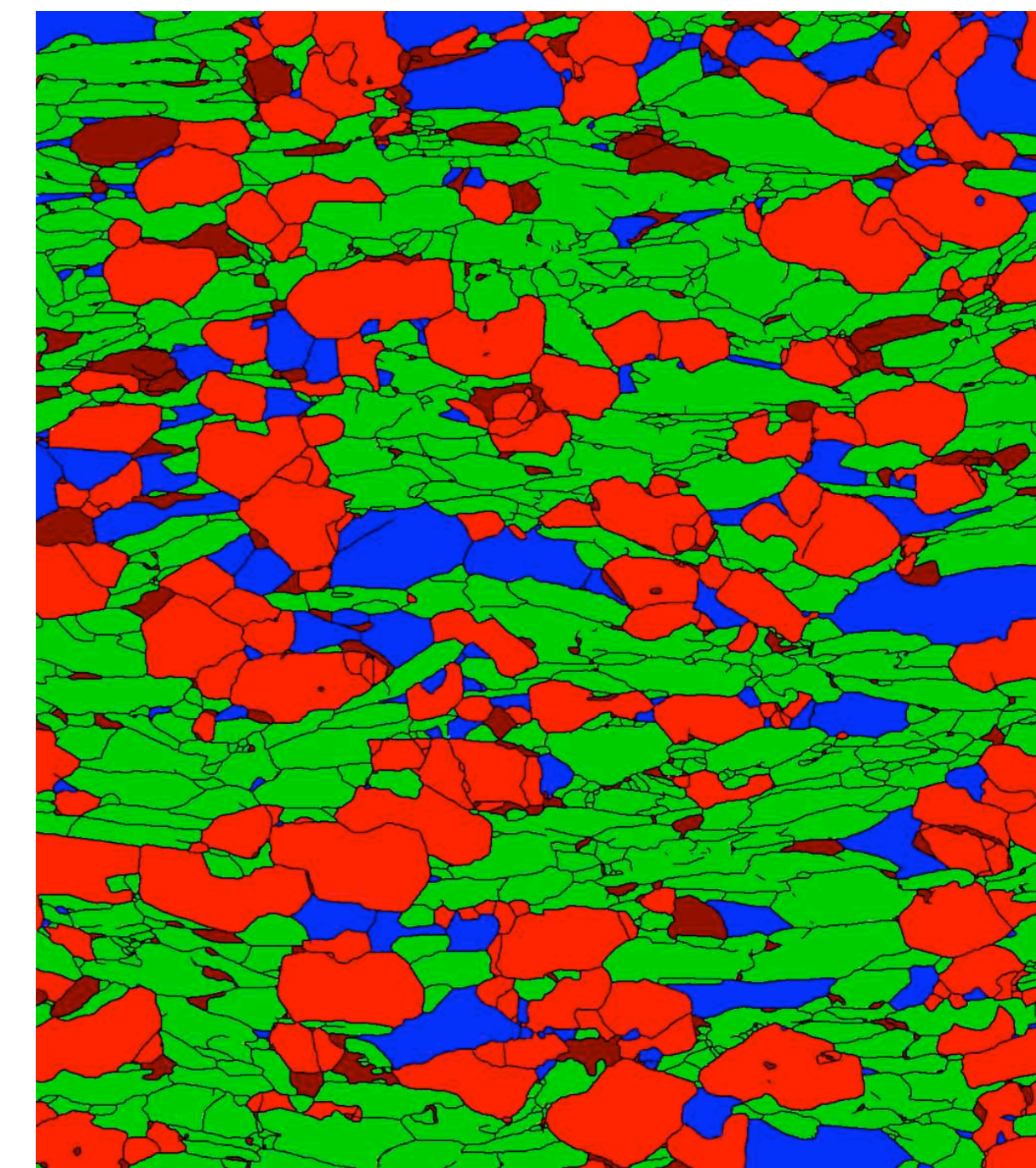
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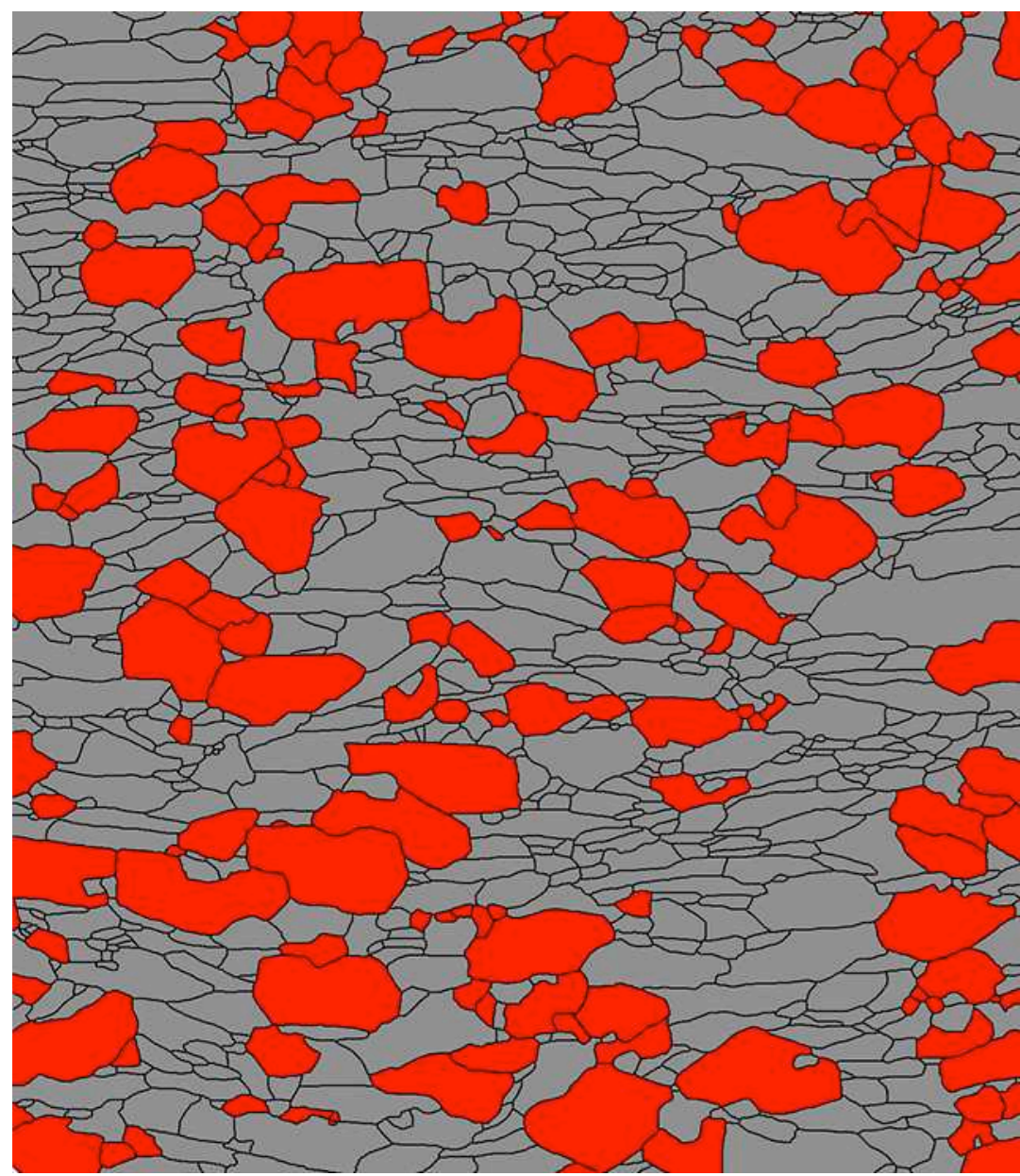
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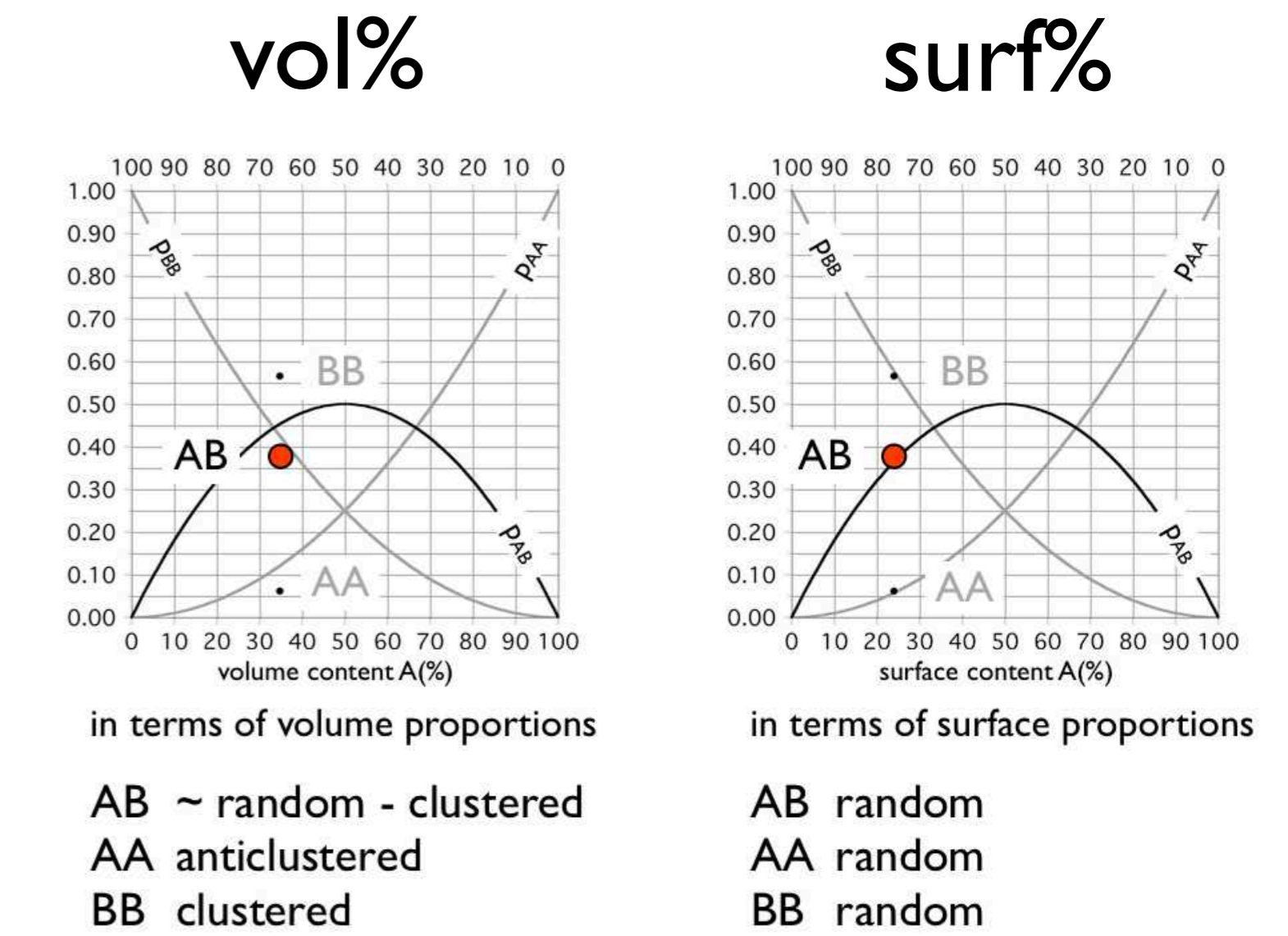
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garnet in eclogite

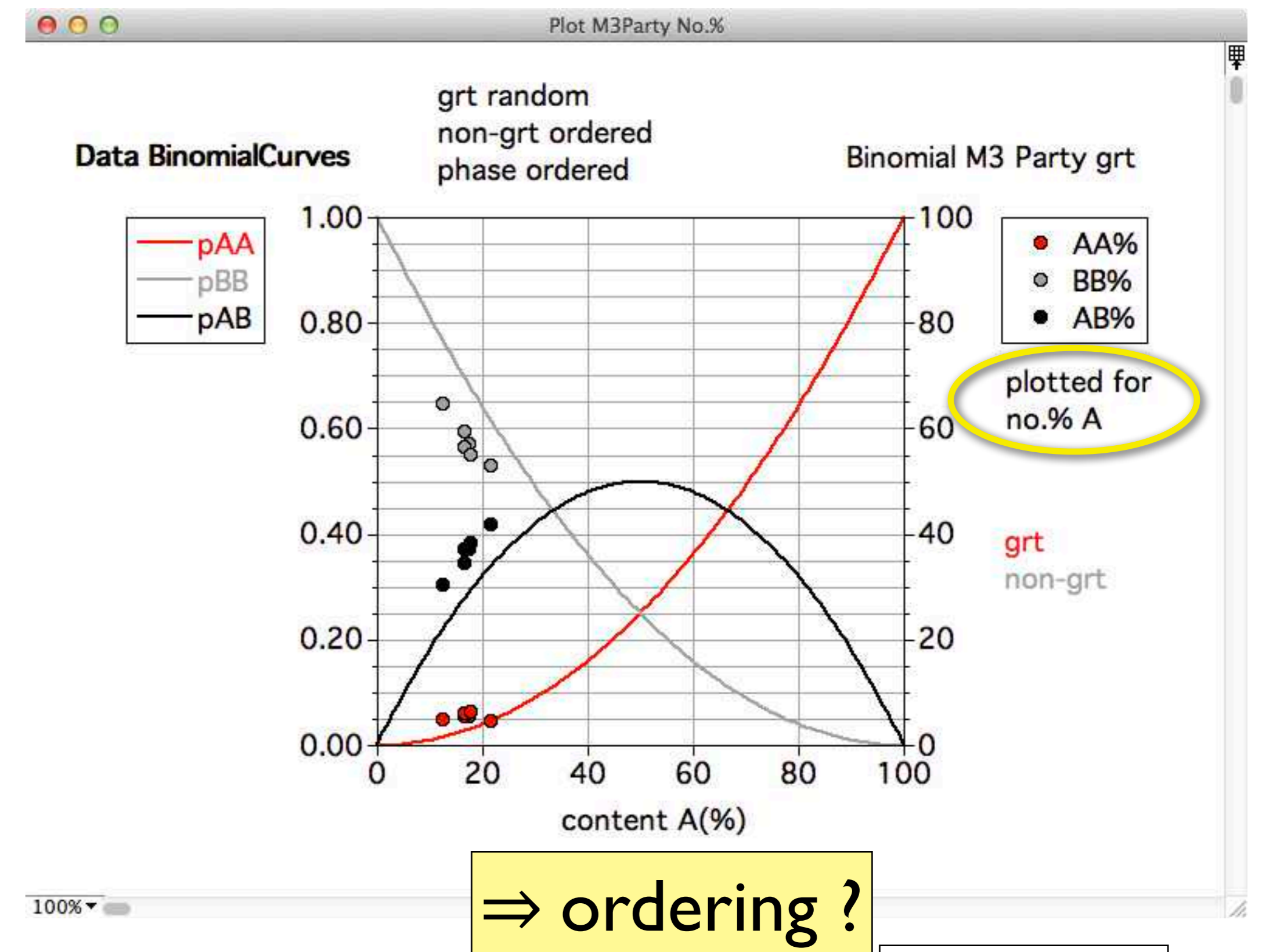
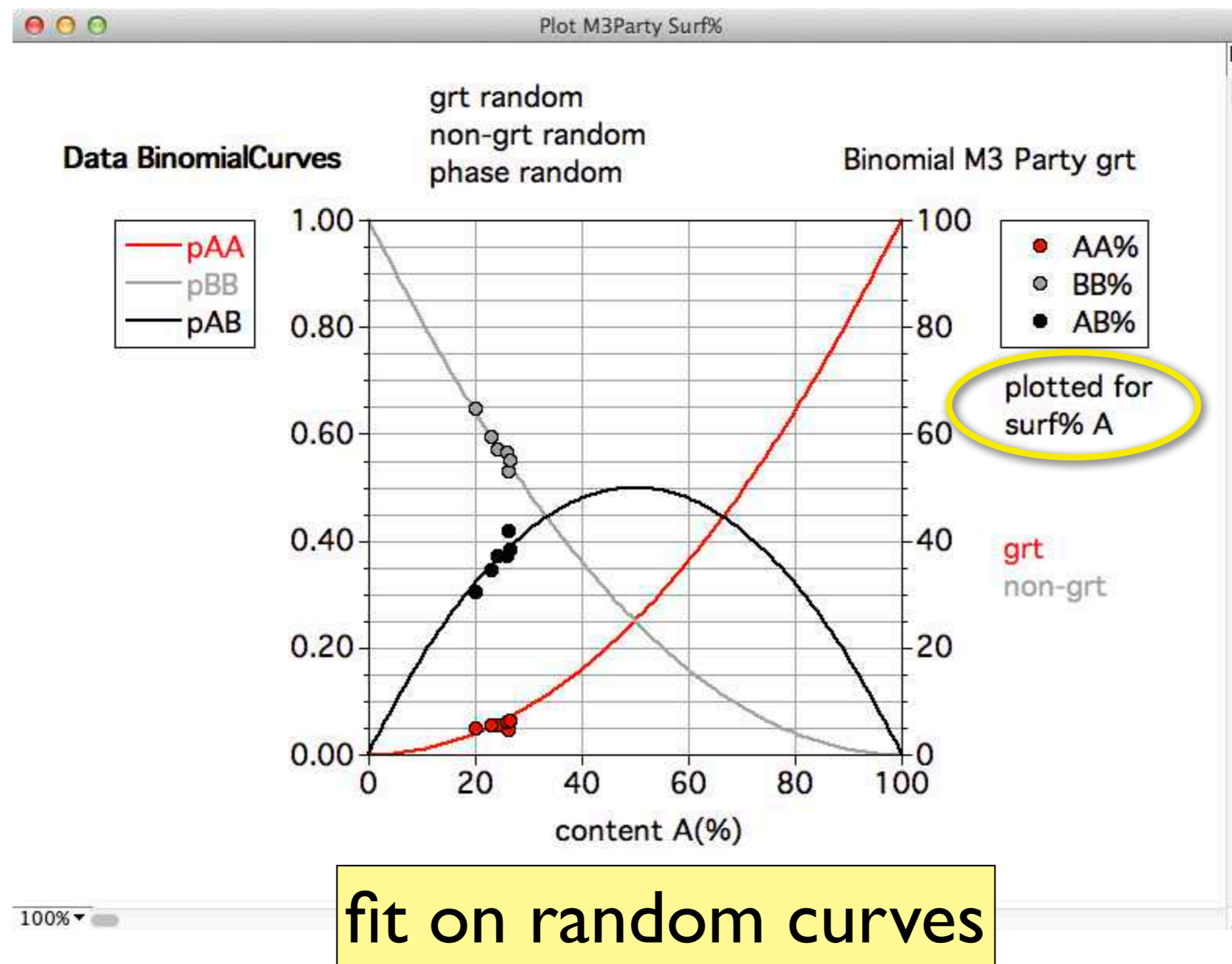
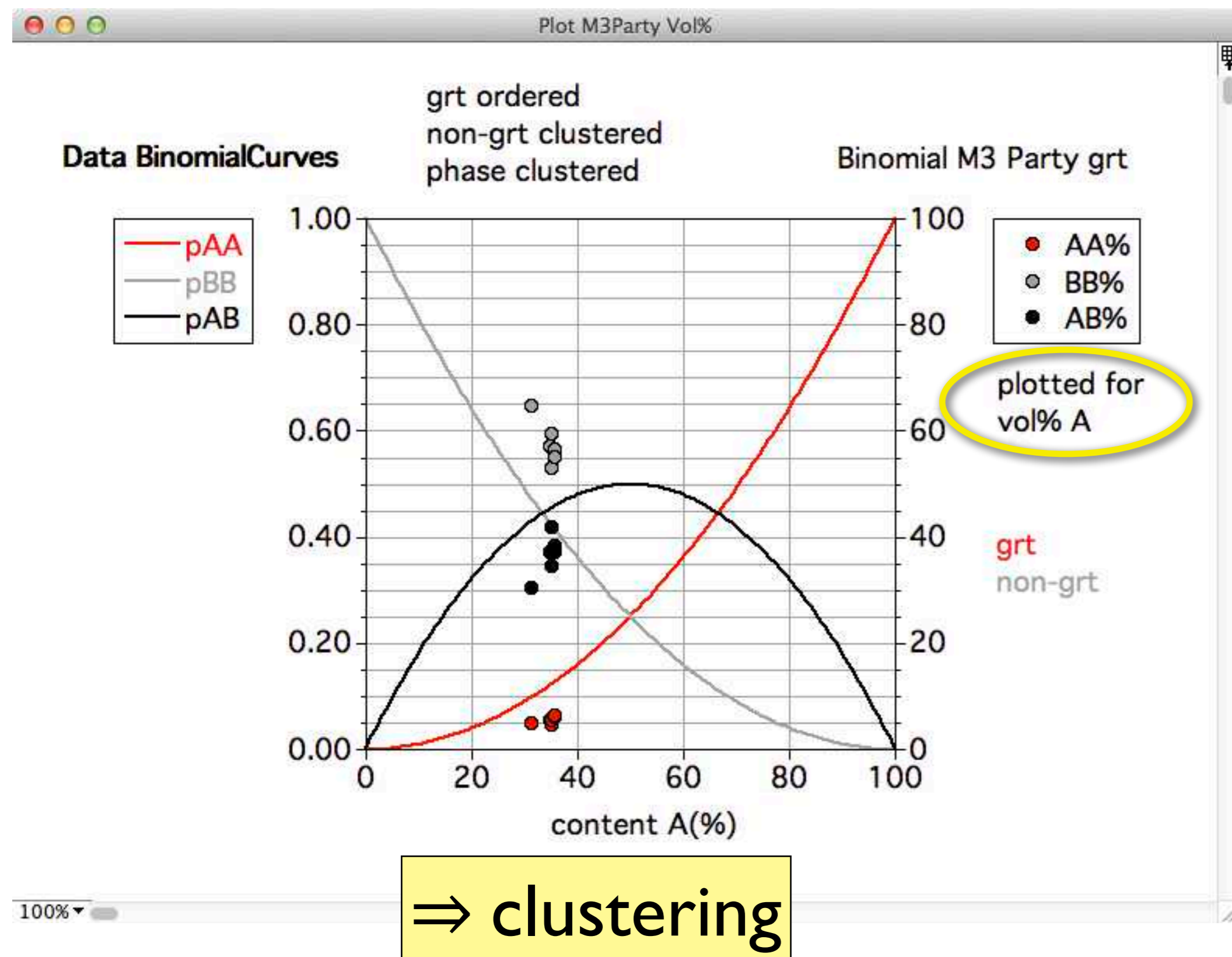
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Same volume fraction  
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⇒ Importance of choosing  
the right definition for  
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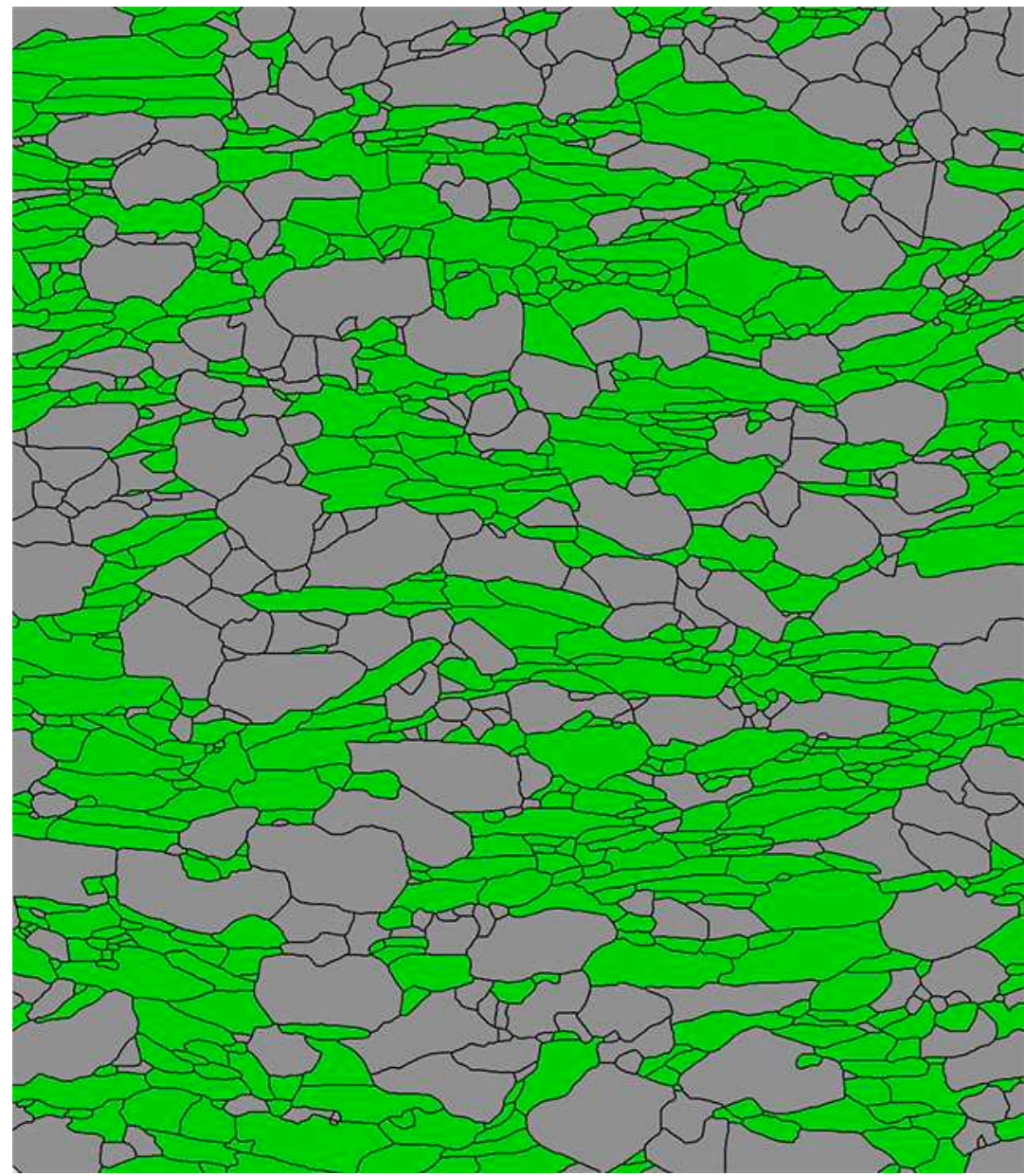
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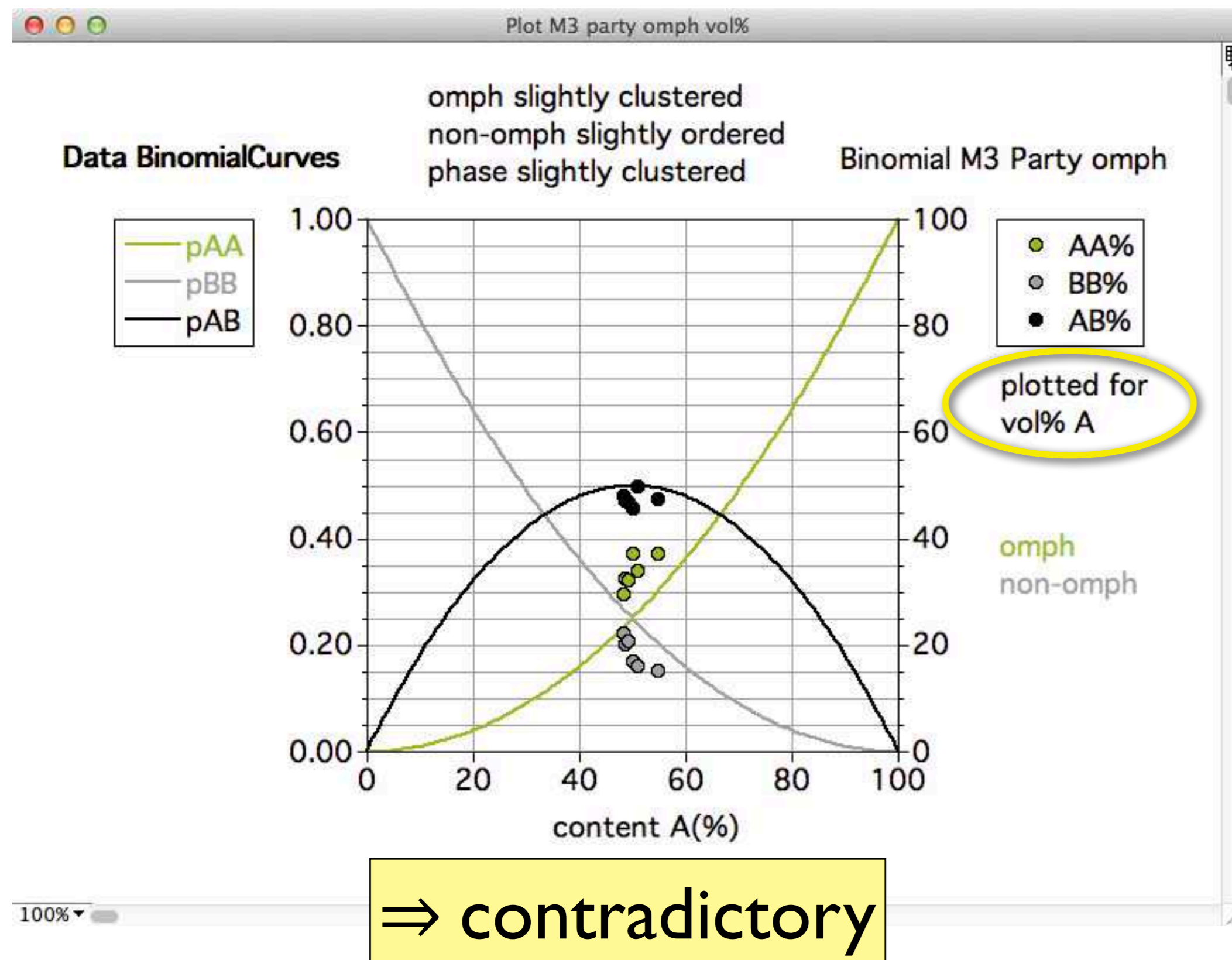


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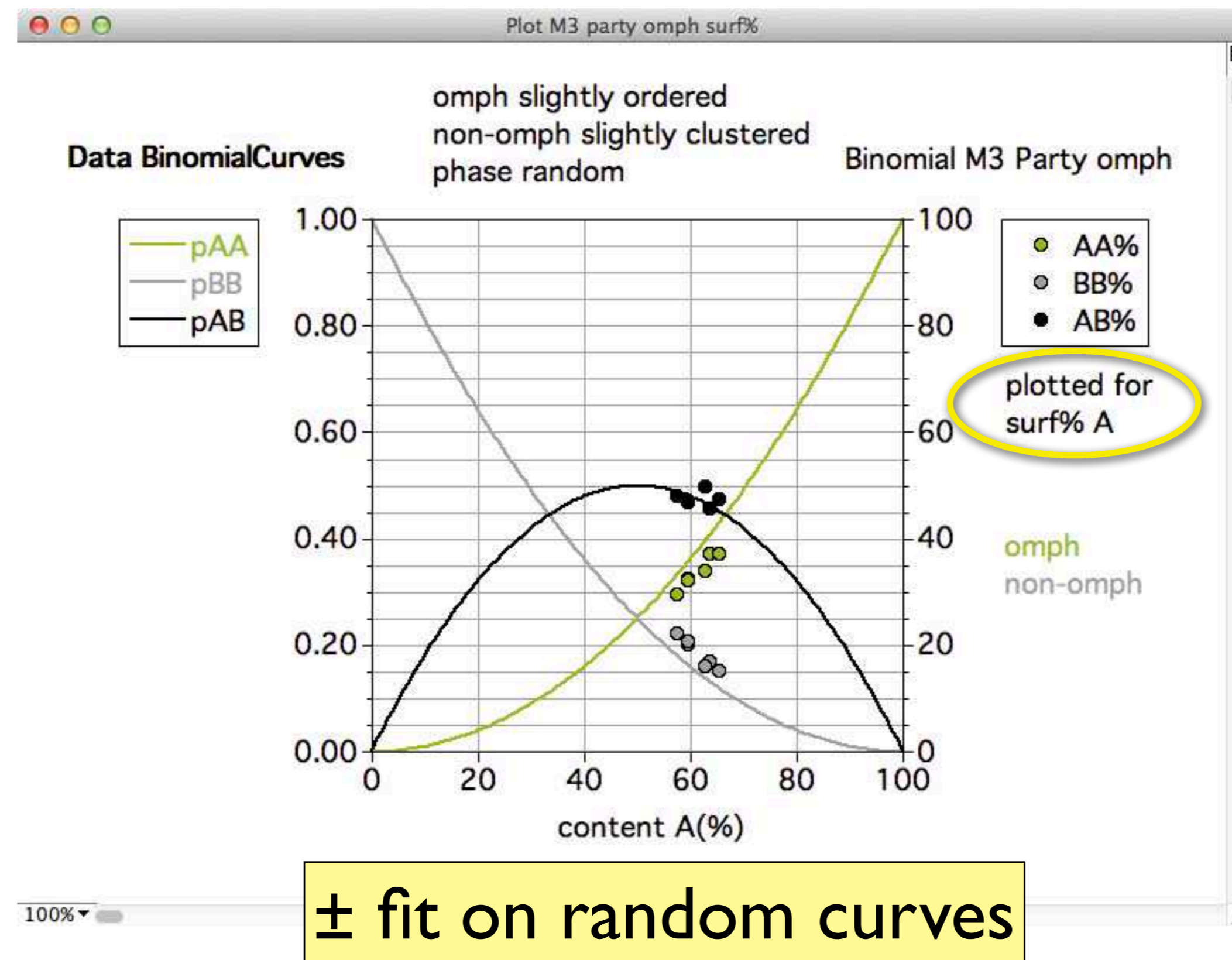


omphacite in eclogite

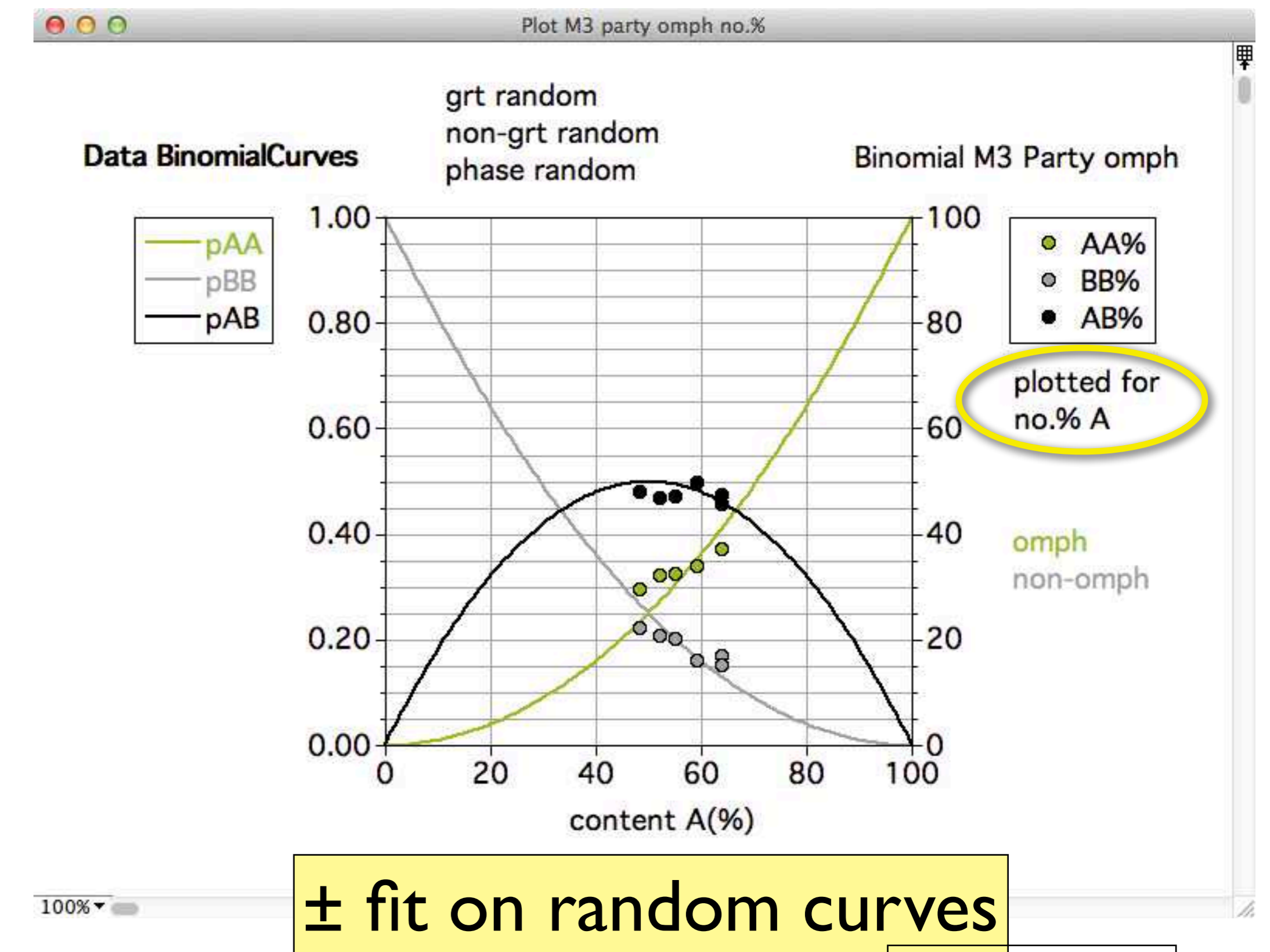
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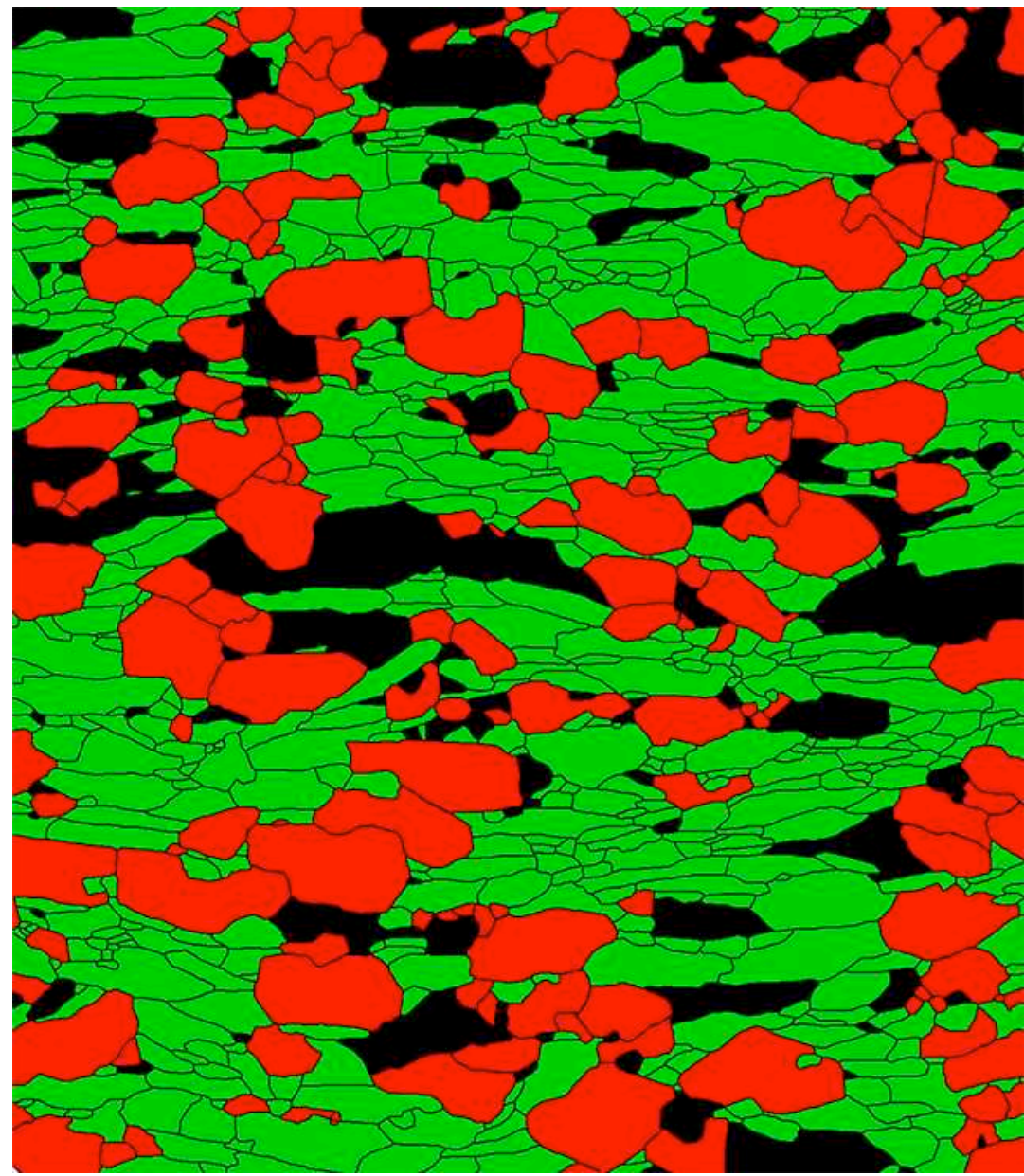
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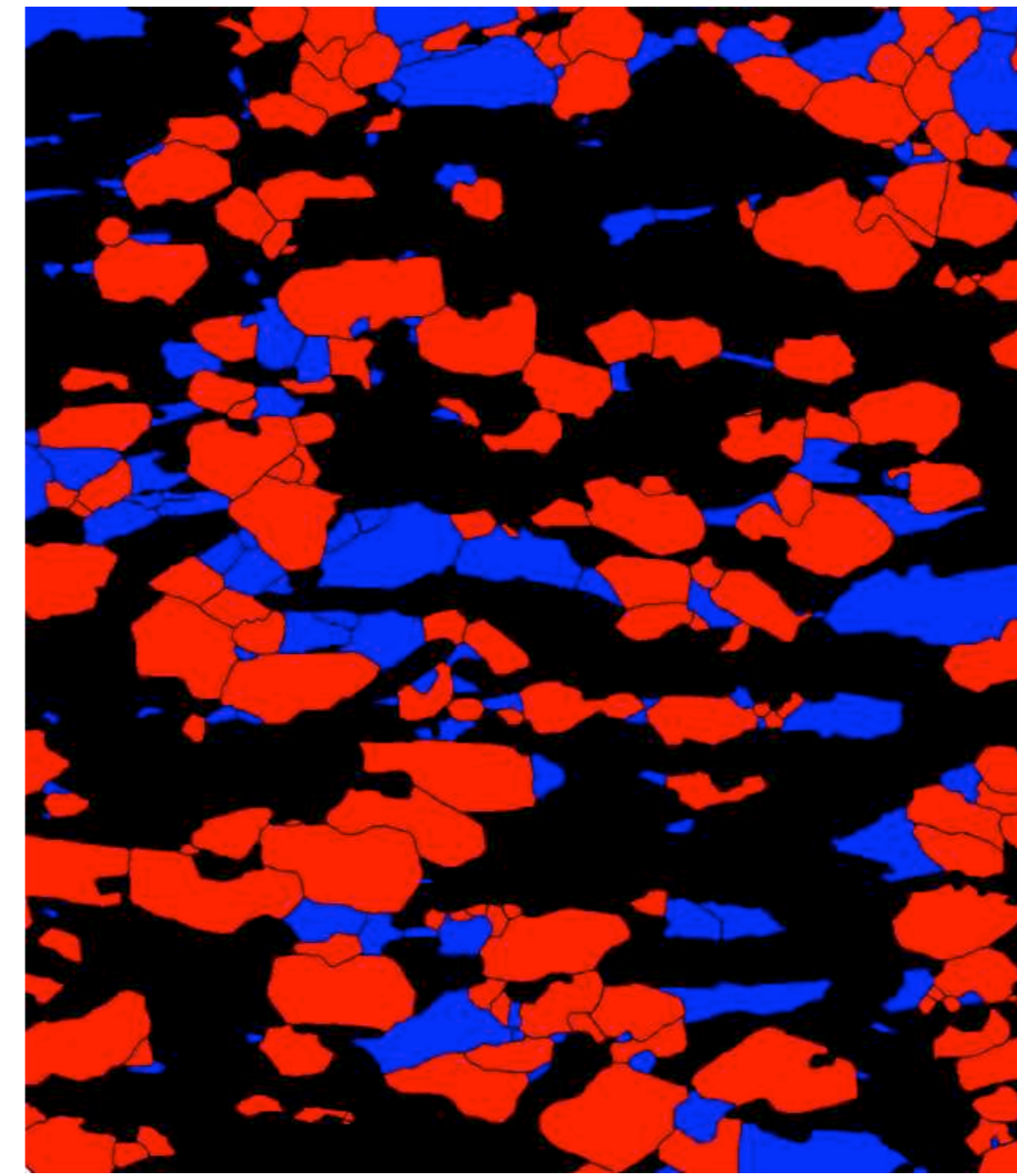
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# additional info (3)




garnet and omphacite



garnet and quartz

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**Diffusion creep and fabric development in eclogites - a case of transformation plasticity**

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The deformation of eclogites and the processes of their fabric development in subduction zones involve mineral reactions and phase transformations. The identification of their interrelationships has been one of Harry Green's strong research interests aimed at the determination of deformation rates in subduction zones and in the upper mantle. Most previous studies have suggested dislocation creep to be the principal processes of deformation causing the development of a strong CPO in omphacite.

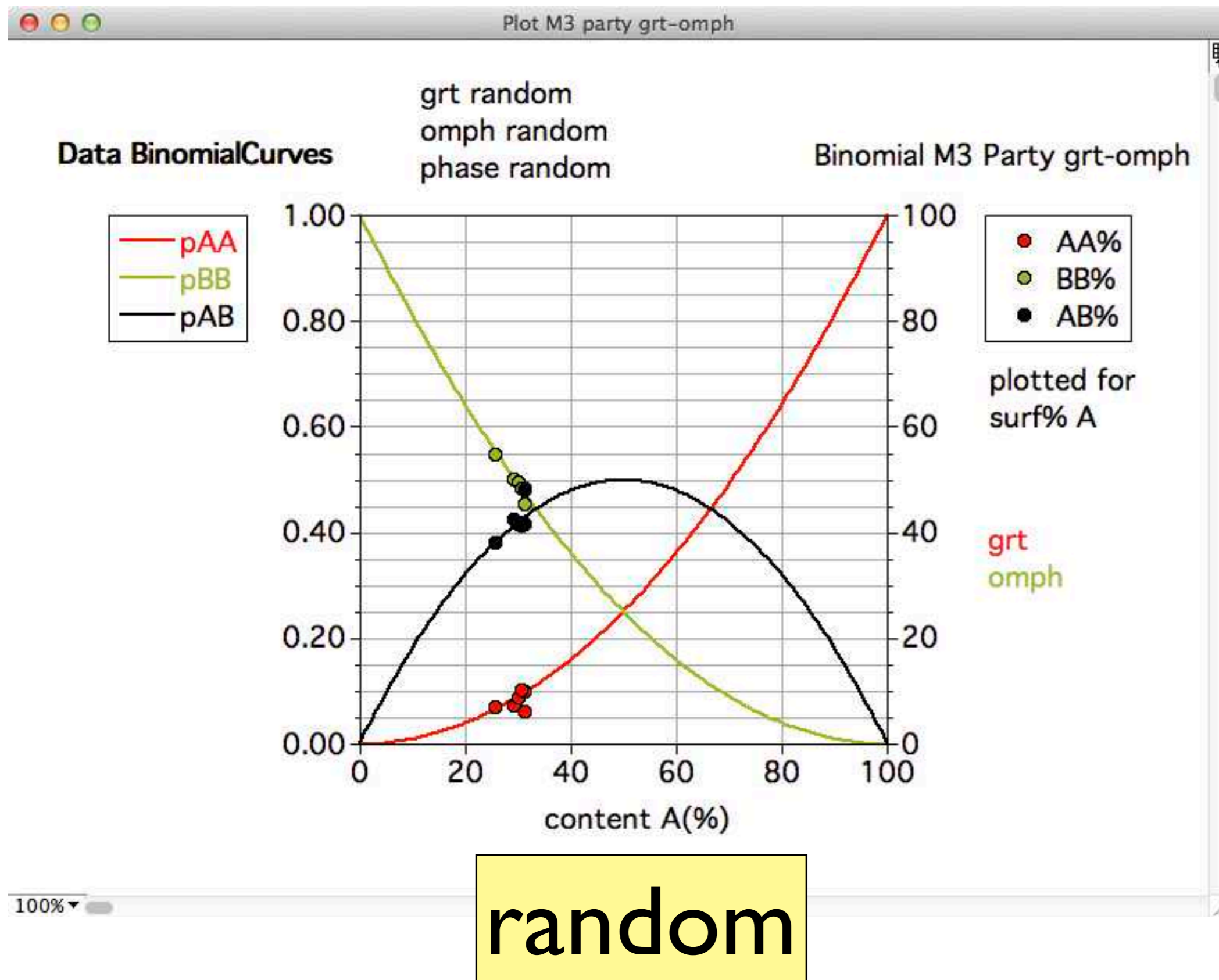
We tested the viability of this process by studying the chemical zonation of garnet and omphacite as well as the texture and microstructure development of Variscan eclogites from the western Bohemian Massif (Czech Republic). These rocks show elongated garnet and omphacite grain shapes parallel to the rock's extension direction. A chemical zoning pattern in both minerals is congruent with the elongated shape of the grains and has developed as growth zonation during increasing pressure conditions. A later stage of retrogression observed locally along garnet and omphacite grain boundaries has produced mineral phases with an orientation parallel to that of the prograde fabric orientation. Thus, the elongation direction of the deforming rock has been the same throughout the whole prograde and through part of the retrograde reaction history.

The CPO of garnet is random, whereas that of omphacite shows strong [001] maxima parallel to the extension direction, with incipient girdles of poles to (010) and (100). However, dislocation creep can be excluded in both cases based on the chemical zonation patterns and the lack of dynamic recrystallization. Rather the strong CPO of omphacite is due to an oriented growth of omphacite grains during deformation.

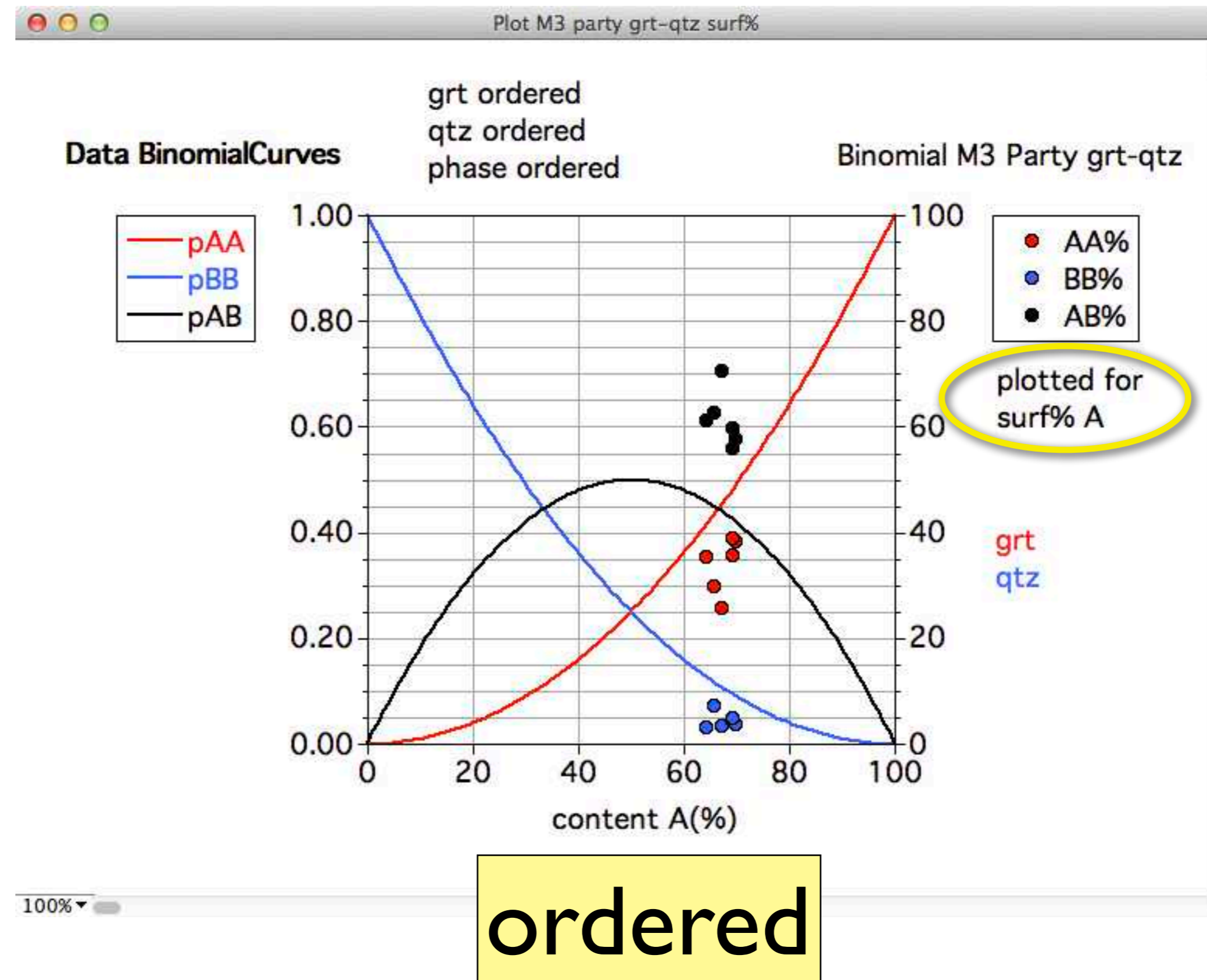
The spatial distribution of garnet and omphacite grains is random within the eclogite and with respect to one another, consistent with random nucleation sites of both minerals. Quartz is also randomly distributed in the eclogite, but highly ordered with respect to garnet, indicating preferred nucleation sites in the pressure shadows of garnet.

Such diffusion creep microstructures suggest n-values of 1 to 2 for eclogite deformation. The correlation of mineral reactions with deformation throughout the whole eclogite P-T-history is a clear case of transformation plasticity and thus suggests a transient but long-lasting weakening of mafic rocks during subduction.

## plotting for surface %



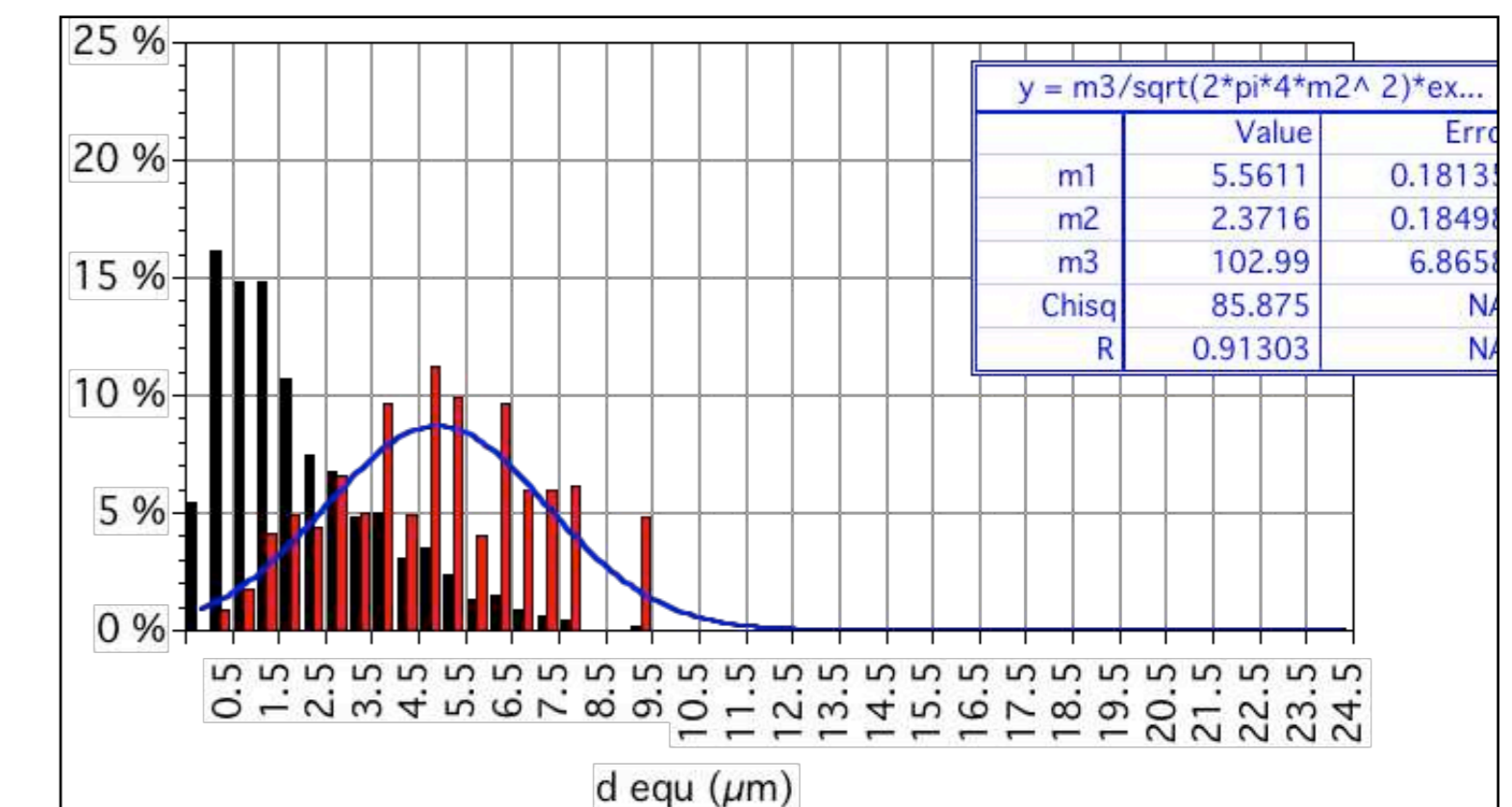
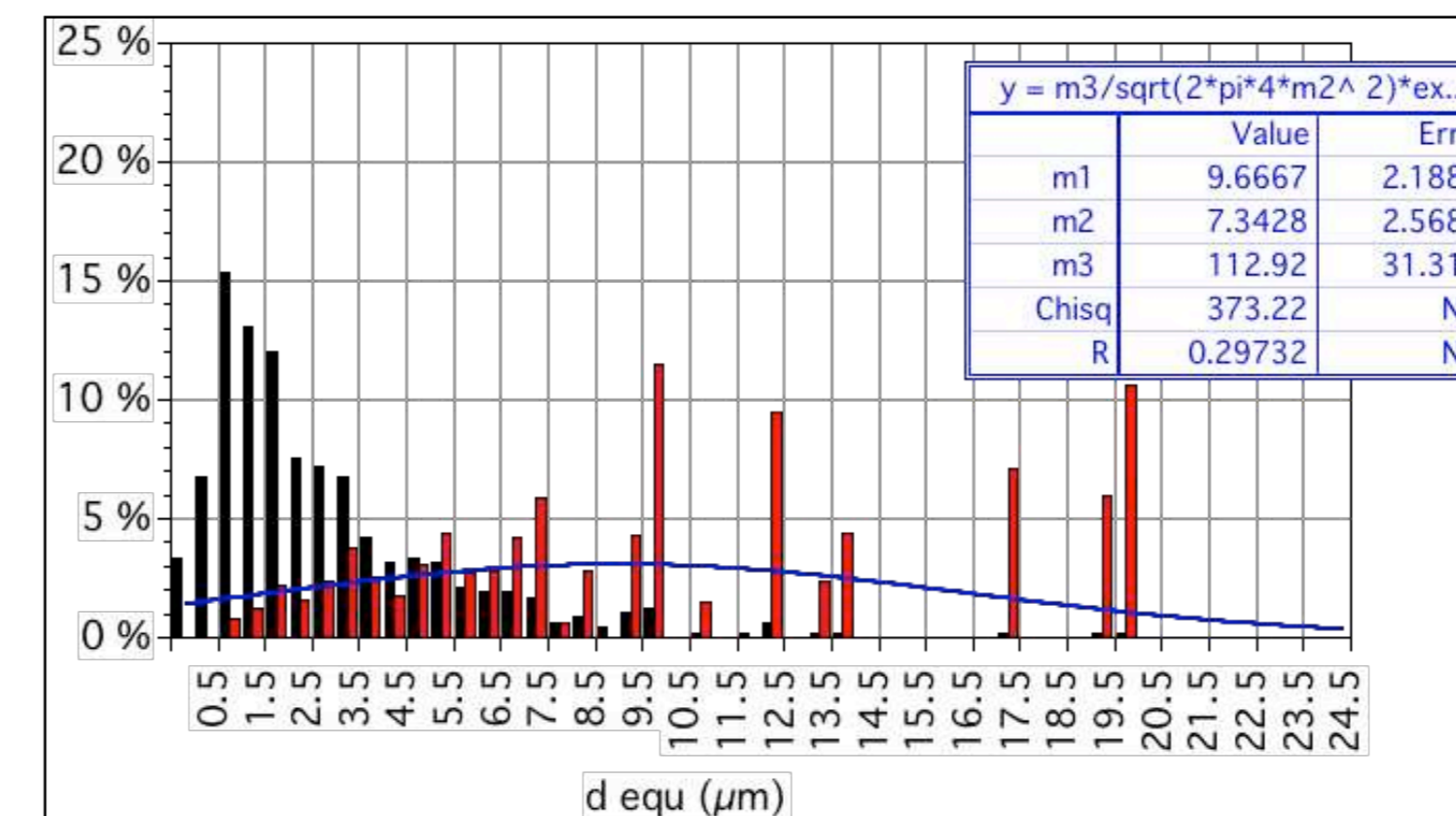
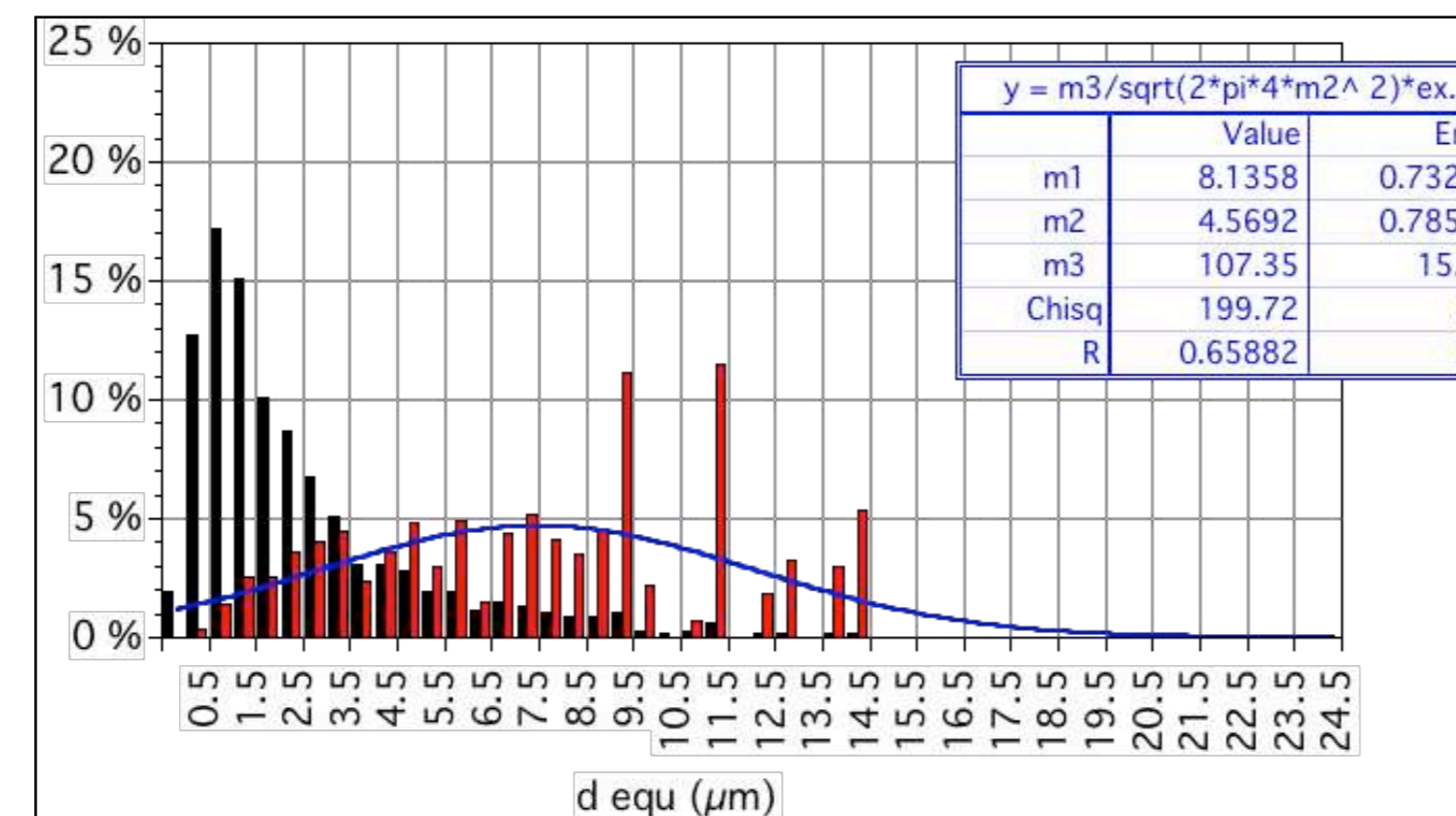
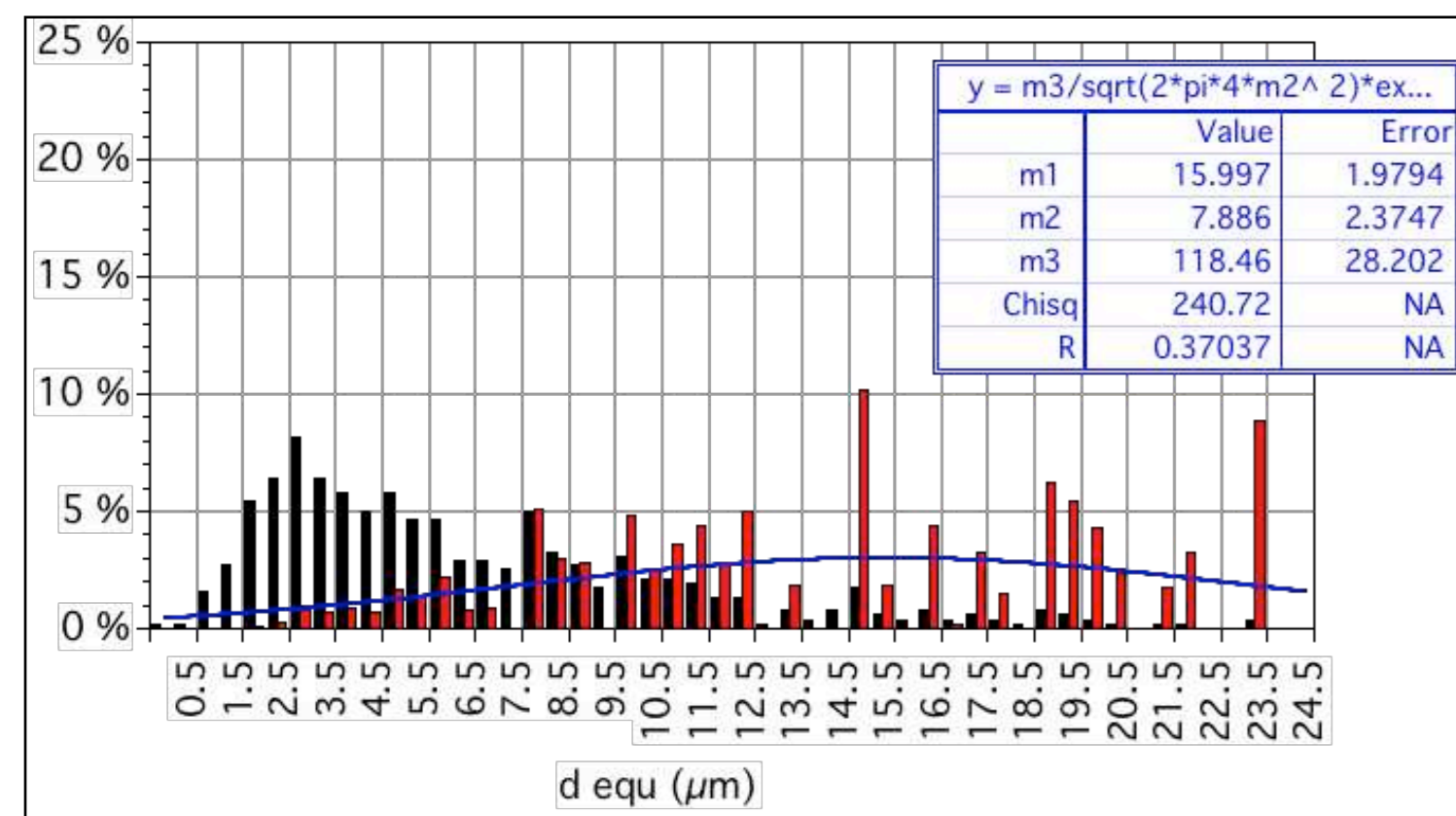
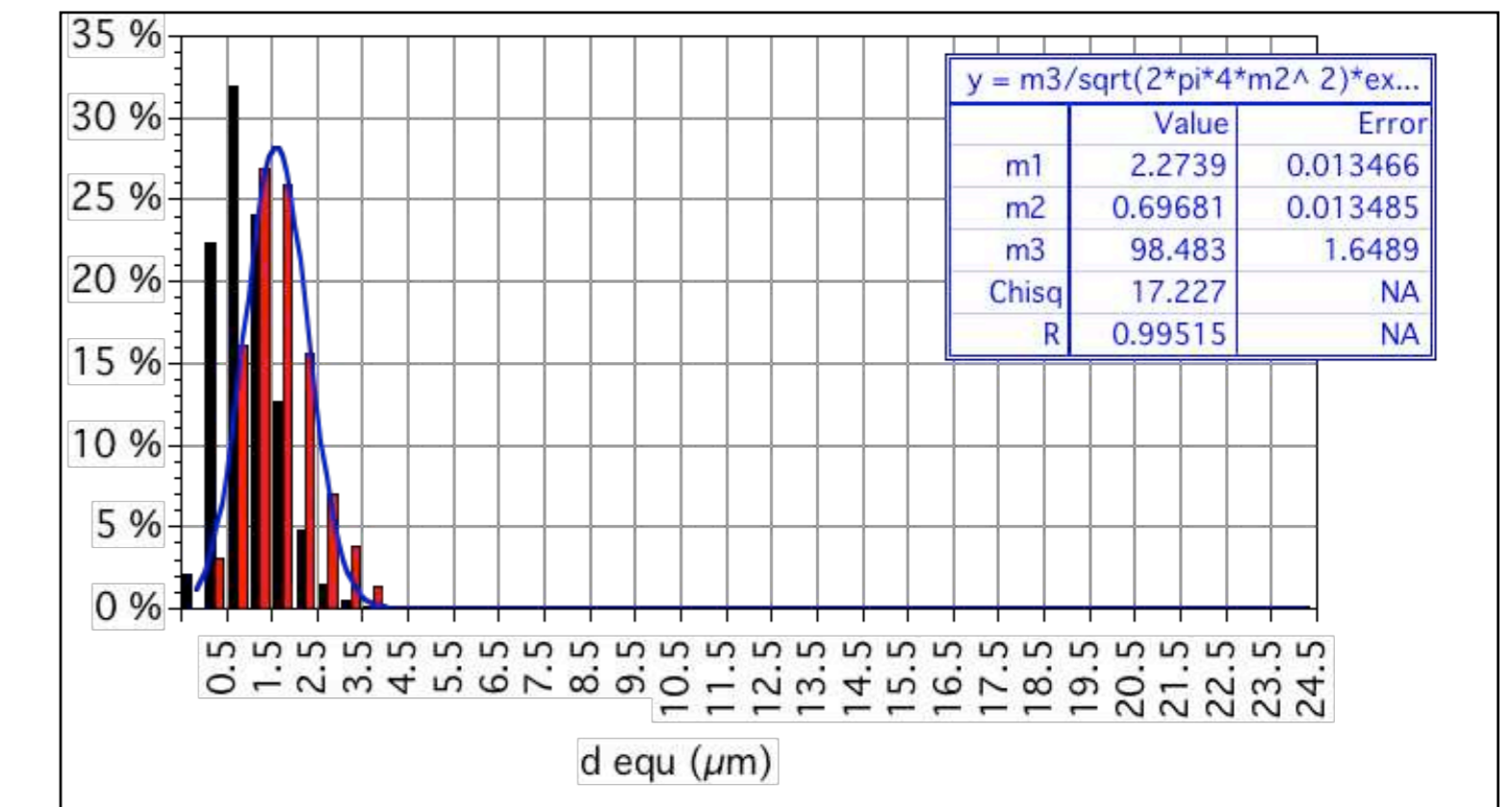
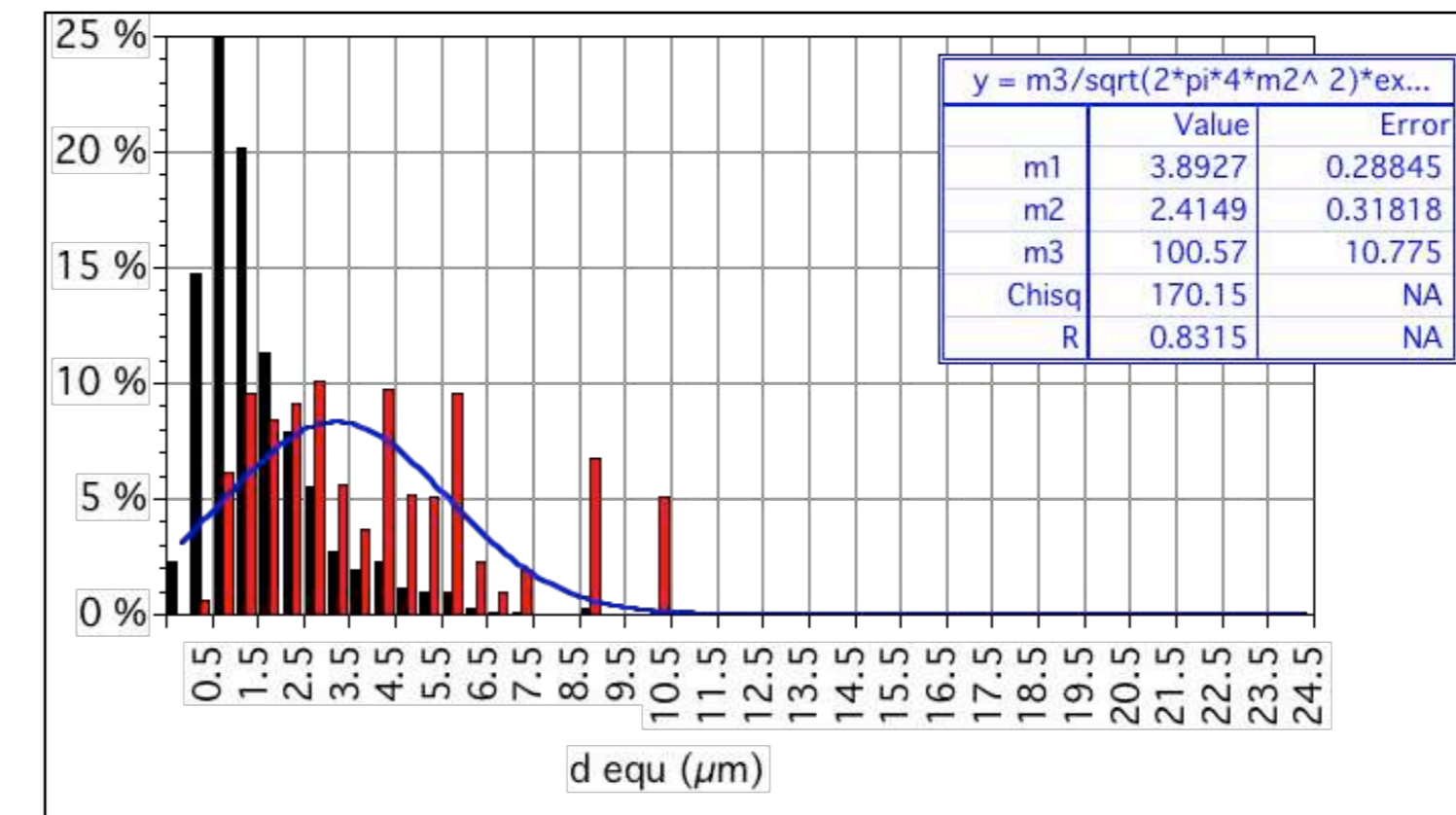
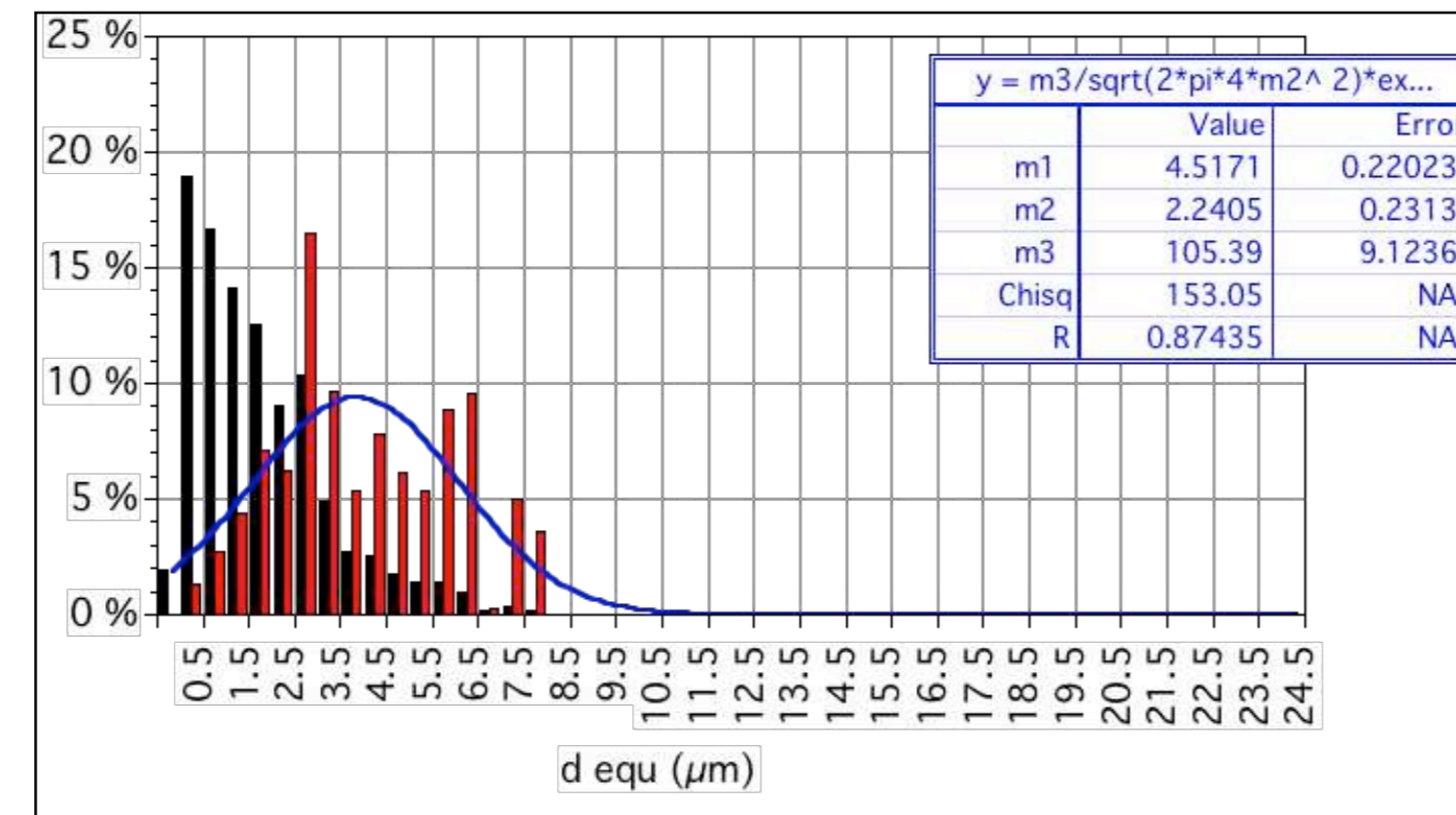
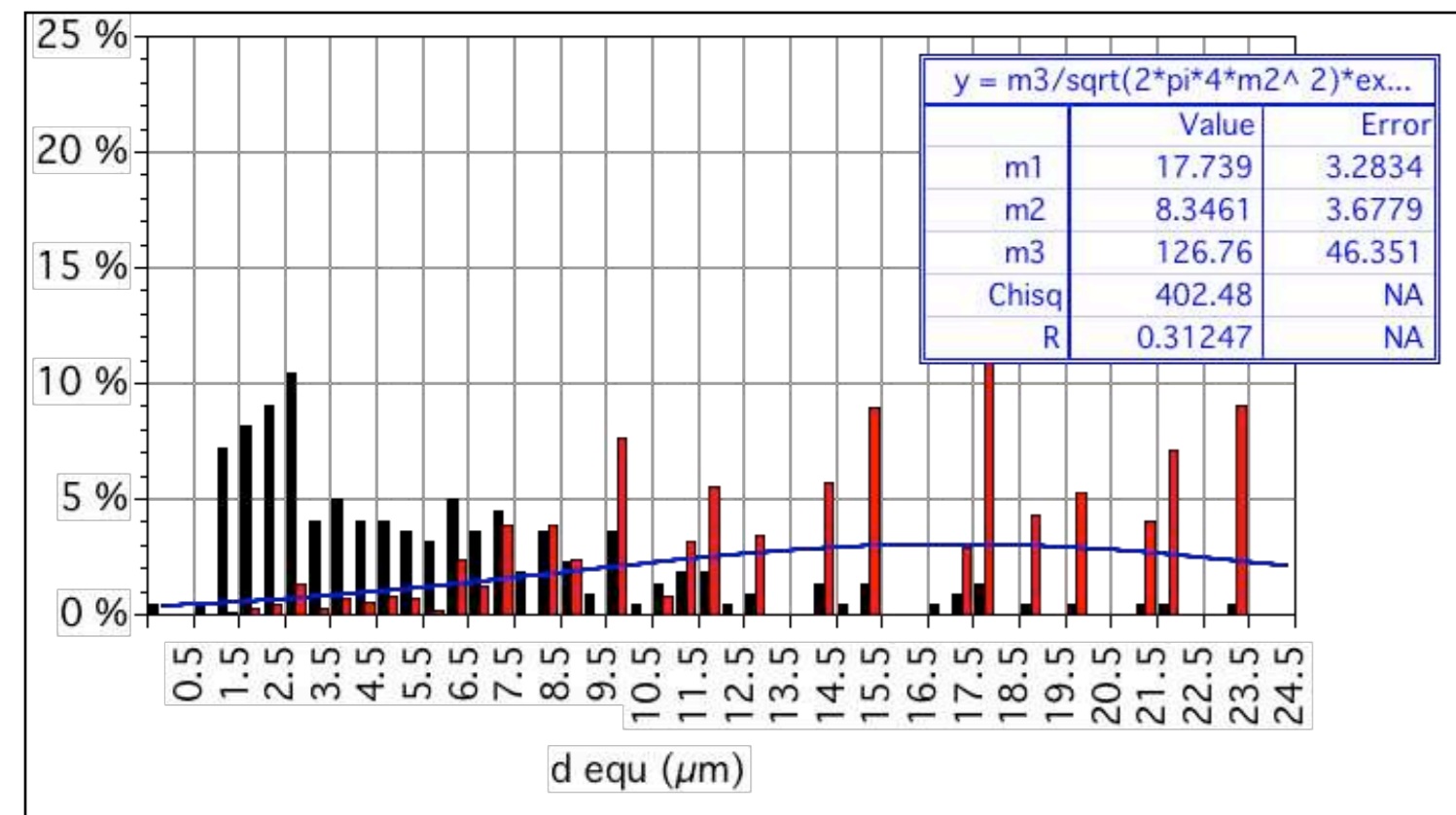
## plotting for surface %



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# additional info (4)

## determination of mode by Gaussian fit



opx

ol

**Table 1**  
Summary of the Experiments

Experiment #	Undeformed sample				Deformed sample					
	PT-983	991	PT-994	996	984	998	1024	990	1006	1012
Flow Stress (MPa)	-	-	108	82	96	118	99	93	76	72
Strain Rate ( $10^{-4} s^{-1}$ )	-	-	2.47	0.32	1.90	4.64	2.30	1.65	2.13	4.62
Shear Strain	-	-	1.9	2.0	4.2	4.2	10.9	17.3	26.2	25.3
$d_{EA_{ol}}$ ( $\mu m$ )	6.5	5.8	2.9	4.5	2.9	1.7	1.4	2.3	2.3	1.9
$d_{EA_{px}}$ ( $\mu m$ )	5.2	4.1	1.7	2.4	1.9	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.0
$d_{ol}$ ( $\mu m$ )	8.3	7.4	3.7	5.7	3.6	2.2	1.8	2.9	2.8	2.4
$d_{px}$ ( $\mu m$ )	6.6	5.3	2.3	3.1	2.4	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.3
$\mu_{h_{ol}}$ ( $\mu m$ )	7.8	4.6	3.2	3.0	3.2	1.3	1.7	1.7	2.5	1.4
$\mu_{h_{px}}$ ( $\mu m$ )	6.5	2.7	2.7	2.0	2.8	1.0	1.6	1.3	1.8	1.0
$\mu_{v_{ol}}$ ( $\mu m$ )	16.1	14.0	8.5	12.8	9.3	4.5	4.1	5.2	4.6	3.8
$\mu_{v_{px}}$ ( $\mu m$ )	14.5	12.6	4.4	5.6	4.9	2.6	2.2	2.1	2.3	1.6
$N_{ol}$	2643	881	1450	364	1319	290	2008	343	1300	527
$N_{px}$	1337	488	1504	566	2070	570	2175	640	1552	743
$f_{px}$	0.27	0.25	0.25	0.28	0.35	0.41	0.33	0.33	0.25	0.25

Note.  $N_{ol}$  and  $N_{px}$ : The number of analyzed olivine and pyroxene grain.

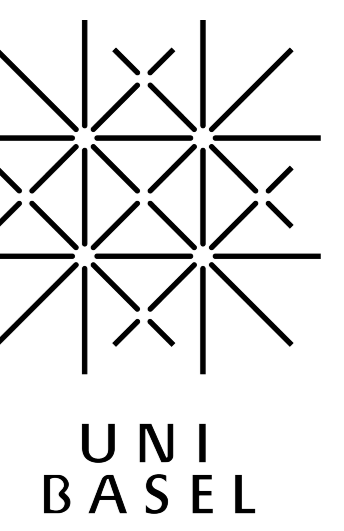
### compare

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= 3D mode

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# Anisotropic spatial clustering and ordering of olivine and orthopyroxene during rheological weakening conditions



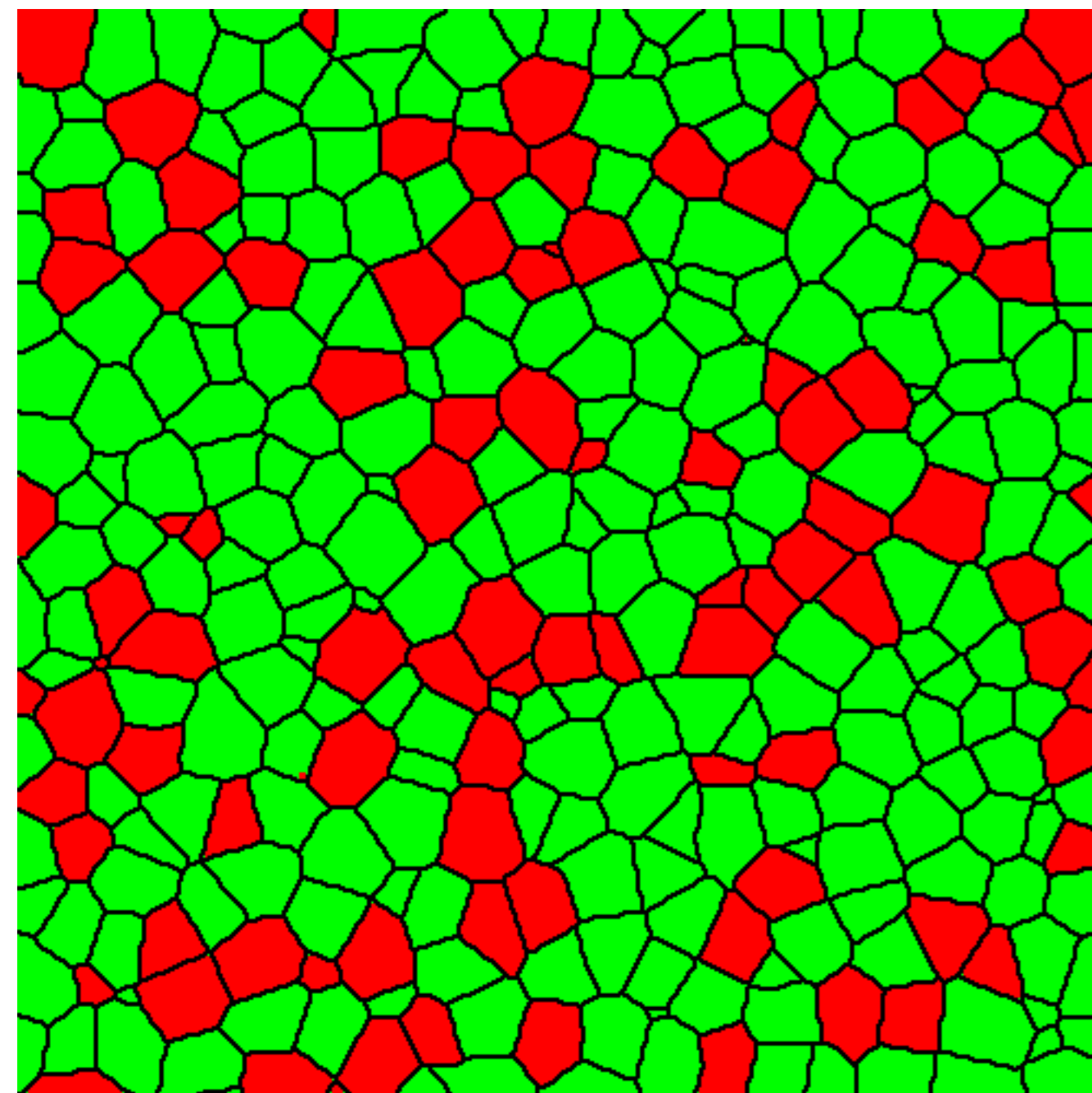
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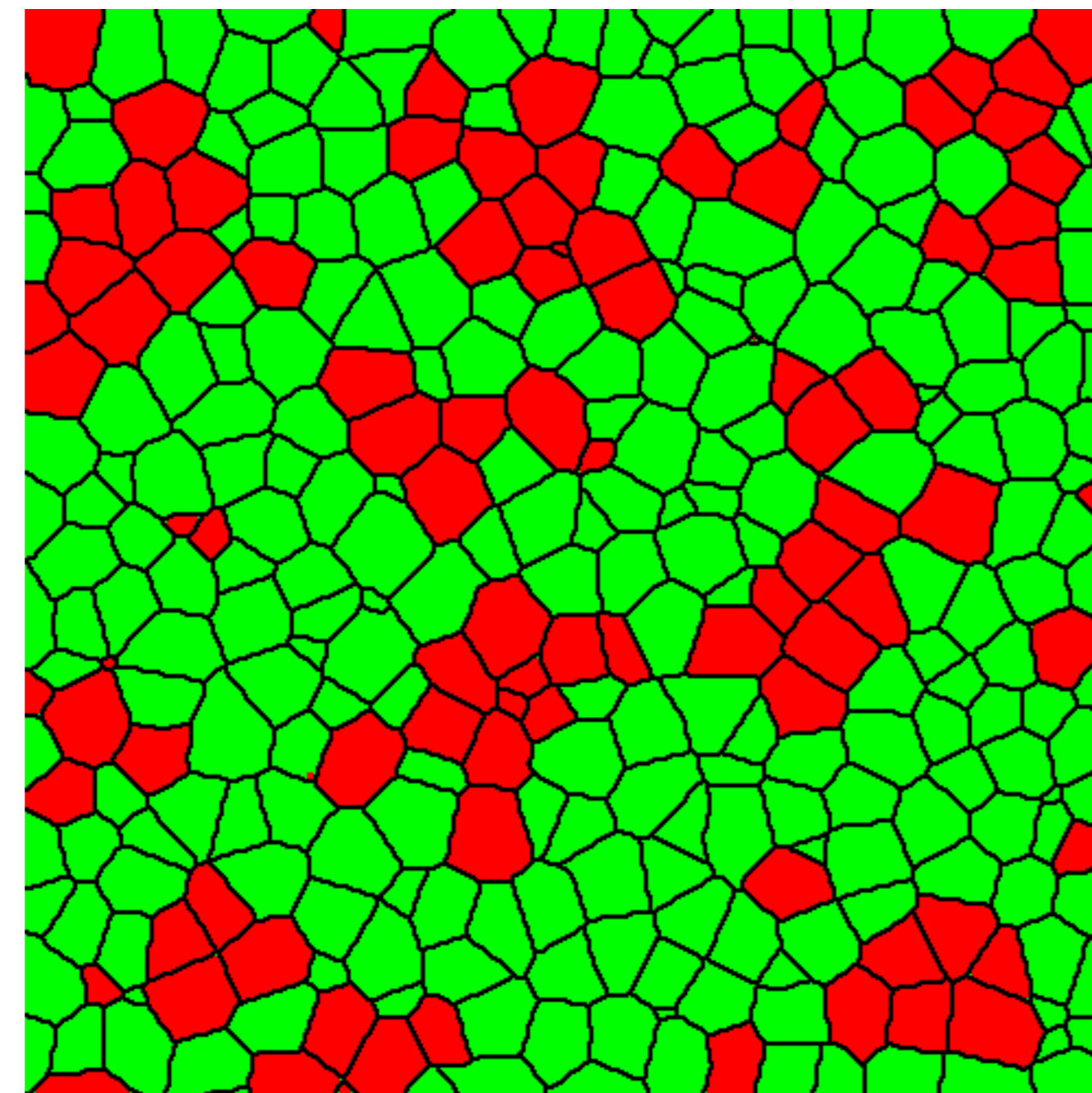
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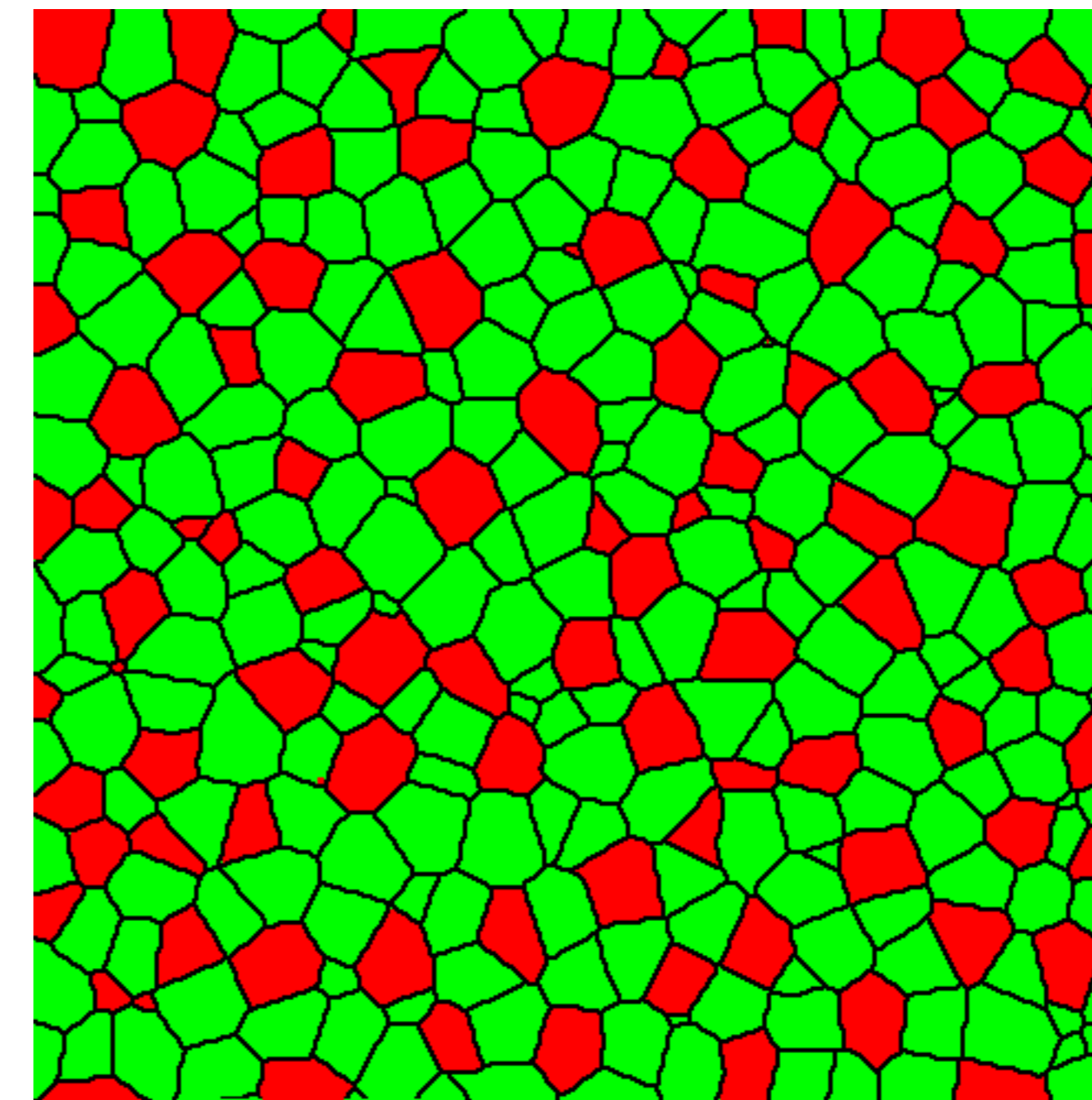
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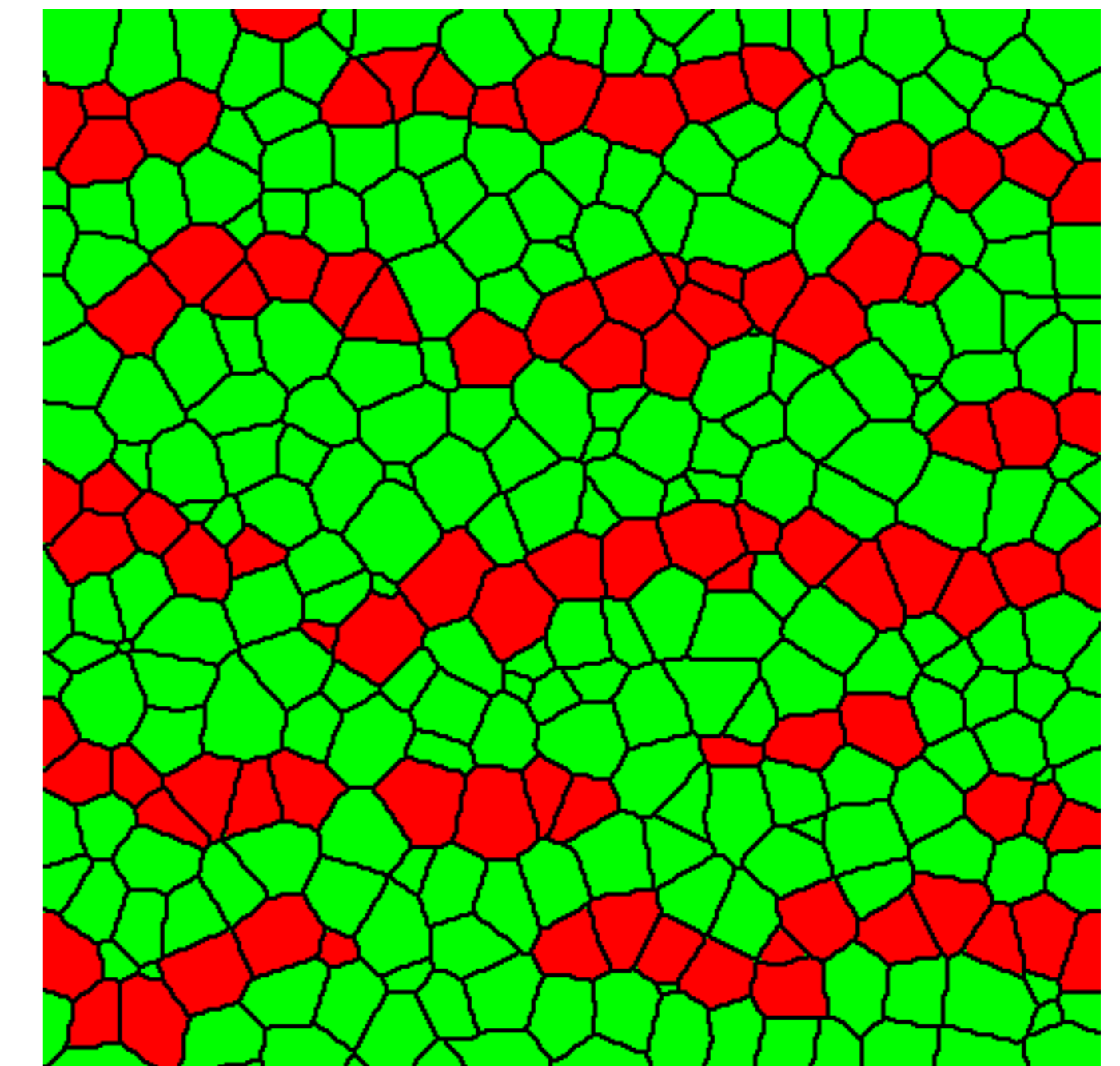
random



clustered



ordered



horizontally clustered  
vertically ordered

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