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On the analyses and applications of wave propagation in bifurcated lattice waveguides

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In the presence of length scales, the elastic wave propagation problem, as well as those involving other kinds of dynamical phenomena (lattice waves or phonons, electronic transport, etc), involve an interplay between wave dispersion and structural features. The present talk concerns an exposure to the analysis of discrete scattering effects in certain simple lattice waveguides connected by a bifurcation induced junction. The talk will give a flavour of the mathematical formulation and simplified expressions for the physically relevant entities such as the reflectance and transmittance. The talk will also include some open problems associated with these newly emerging developments as well as some glimpses of the ongoing work. An application of the developed framework to electronic transport in nanotubes will be also briefly discussed.

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Yield set of perfectly-plastic porous materials subjected to anti-plane shear

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We study the effective yield stress of rigid perfectly-plastic media subjected to anti-plane shear. Use is made of an identity between two mechanical and geometrical quantities: the effective yield stress and the length of certain minimal paths spanning the porous medium. Our main focus is on random media containing an infinitesimal porosity f . We show that in the dilute limit $f \ll 1$, the effective yield stress scales as $\sim f^{2/3}$, at lowest-order correction in f .



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