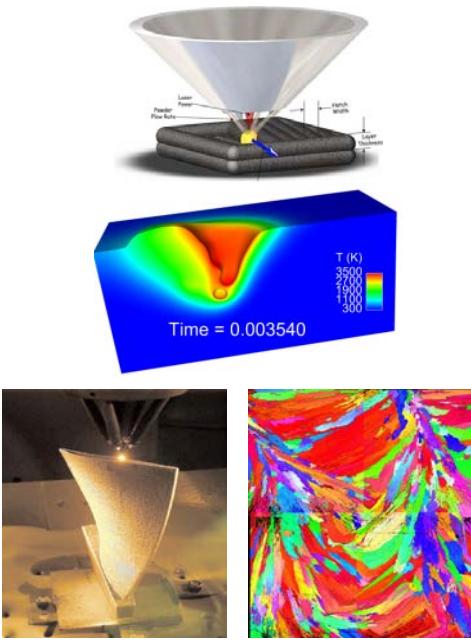


Characterizing and Predicting the Multiscale Mechanical Response of Additively Manufactured Materials across a Wide Spectrum of Loading Conditions



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Additive Manufacturing (AM) is viewed as a transformative technology at Sandia

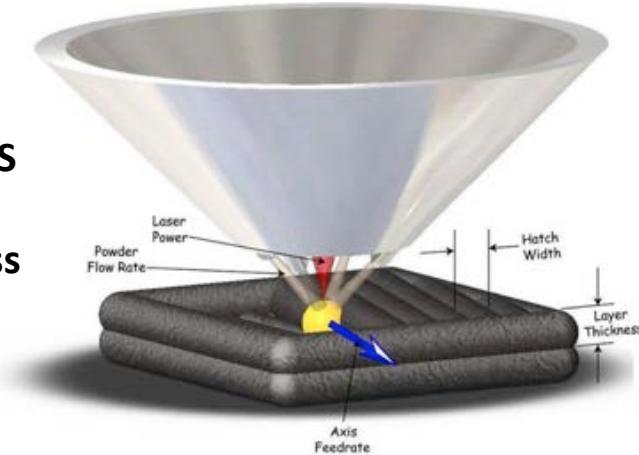
- Some Benefits of AM:
 - Complex structure – components may be built that are not possible using conventional methods.
 - Rapid design to production with reduced cost – items are fabricated as soon as the digital model is produced.
- Sandia has a differentiating need to predict materials property and reliability for high-consequence applications.
 - Characterizing AM materials and predicting reliability of AM products are challenges.
 - Must create a framework for characterizing and predicting property of AM materials for timely mission impact.



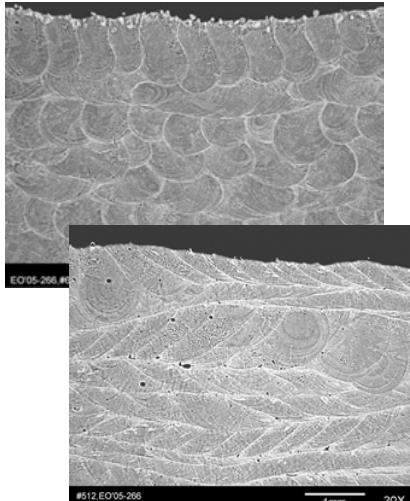
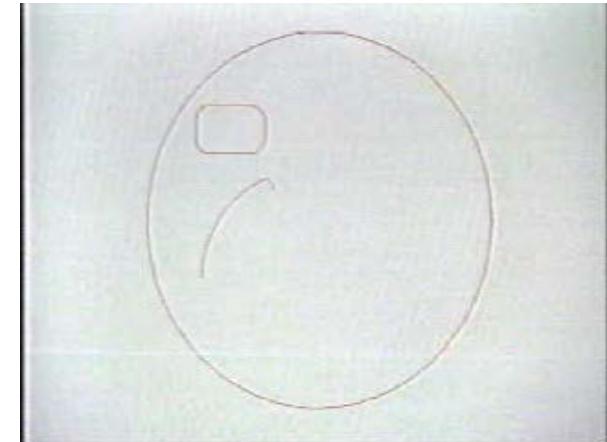
Laser Engineered Net Shape (LENS™)

A Sandia developed and commercialized process

**Schematic of LENS
laser-based
deposition process**



**LENS Depositing complex shape
(from David Gill, Sandia)**



LENS mesostructure

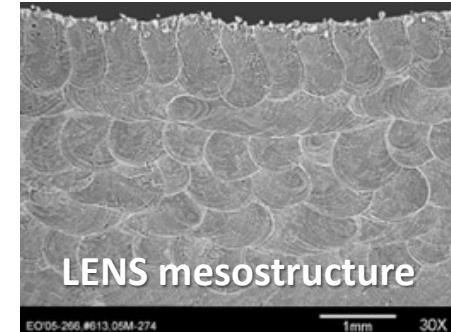
- Transformative technology
- LENS “hatch” structure results in a complex mesoscale structure.
- Classical assumption of scale-separation may no longer be applicable.



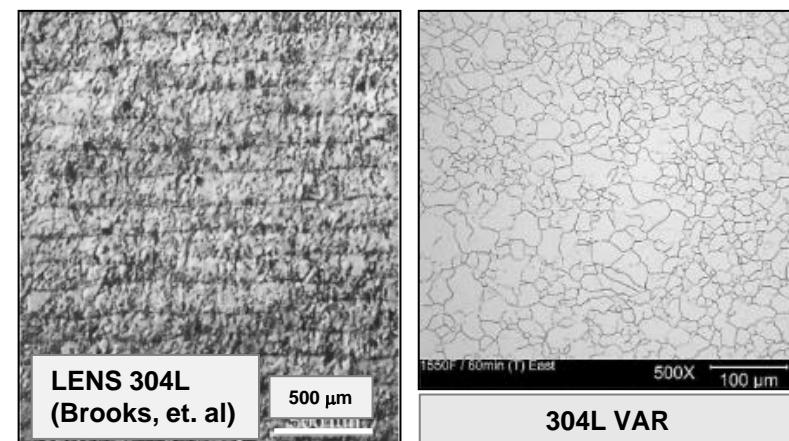
Hybrid LENS product

Fundamental Science Questions

- What is **material variability** and how is it manifested at the macroscale for additively-manufactured structures?
(Uncertainty Quantification)
- With the **loss of 'scale separation'**, homogenization theory may be inaccurate. How do we model additively-manufactured structures?
- Do the complex mesostructures in additively manufactured parts give rise to **mechanistic transitions** between quasistatic (10^{-4} s $^{-1}$) loading and shock regimes (10^9 s $^{-1}$)? If so, how?



The assumption of 'scale separation' has been the foundation of structural mechanics since Cauchy developed continuum mechanics (150 years ago).



Multiple pieces must be integrated

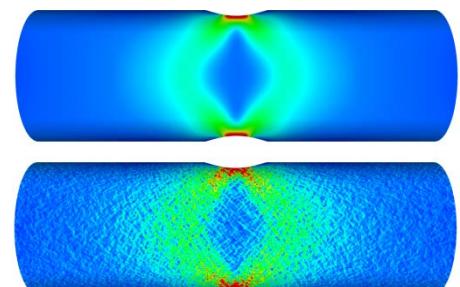


Our Approach

1. Fabricate test material and structures by Additive Manufacturing (LENS) and characterize their microstructures.
2. Experimentally characterize mechanical response across 15-decades of strain rates (from quasi-static to Hopkinson-bar to plate-impact).
3. Use homogenization theory to populate conventional macroscale viscoplastic constitutive models.
4. Characterize LENS microstructure as a function of deposition history.
5. Develop Direct Numerical simulation (DNS) of test samples and validation specimens/structures.
6. Compare and contrast conventional material modeling approach to DNS.



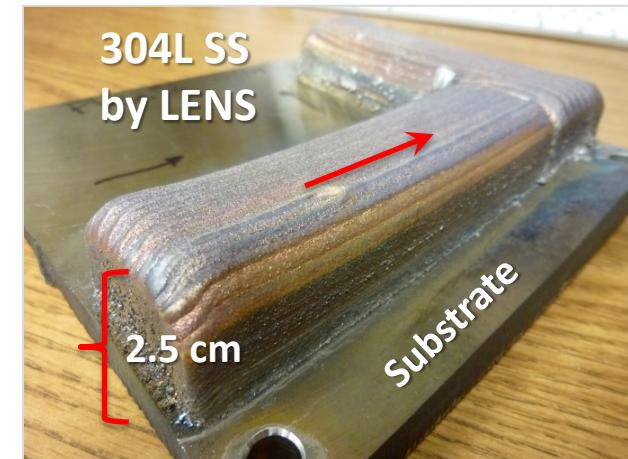
Hopkinson Bar



Homogenized vs DNS

Accomplishments To Date

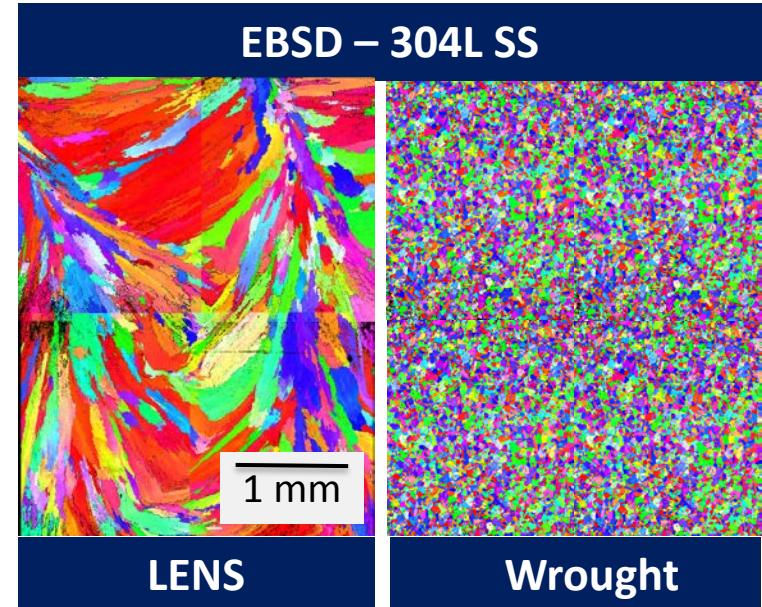
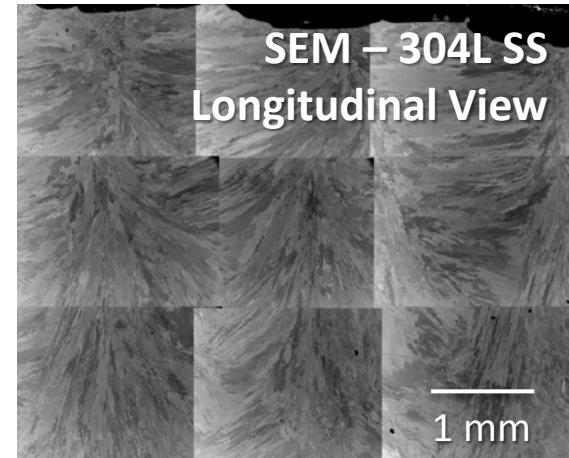
- LENS process was established at Penn State University and 304L stainless steel bars for mechanical test have been made.
 - High power LENS process – 3.8 KW
 - Low power LENS process – 0.5KW
- Wrought and LENS (high power) materials comparison
 - Initial microstructural characterization – grain size, texture, phase
 - Quasistatic mechanical testing
 - Hopkinson high rate testing
 - Elastic properties – acoustic
- Solid mechanics DNS
 - LENS microstructure model developed
 - Mechanics simulations ongoing



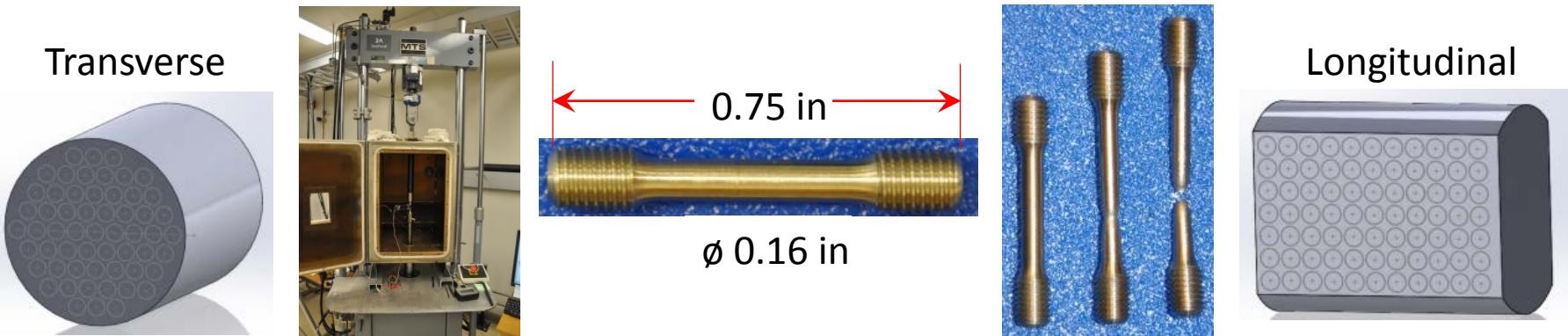
Microstructural Characterization

- LENS 304L SS (3.8 kW) is/has
 - austenite
 - relatively large grain structure
 - complex refined microstructure
 - small amount of retained ferrite
- Wrought 304L SS is/has
 - austenite
 - small grain structure
 - equiaxed grain structure
 - small amount of retained ferrite

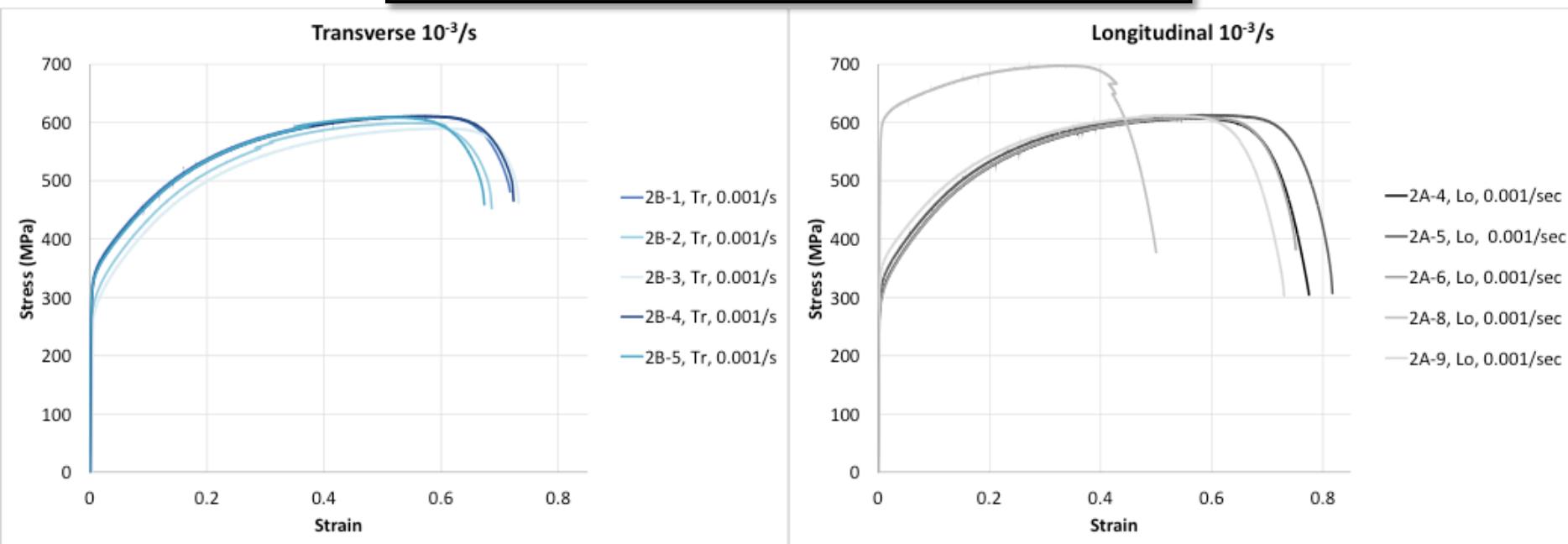
Additional characterization is in progress
(composition, density, elastic properties).



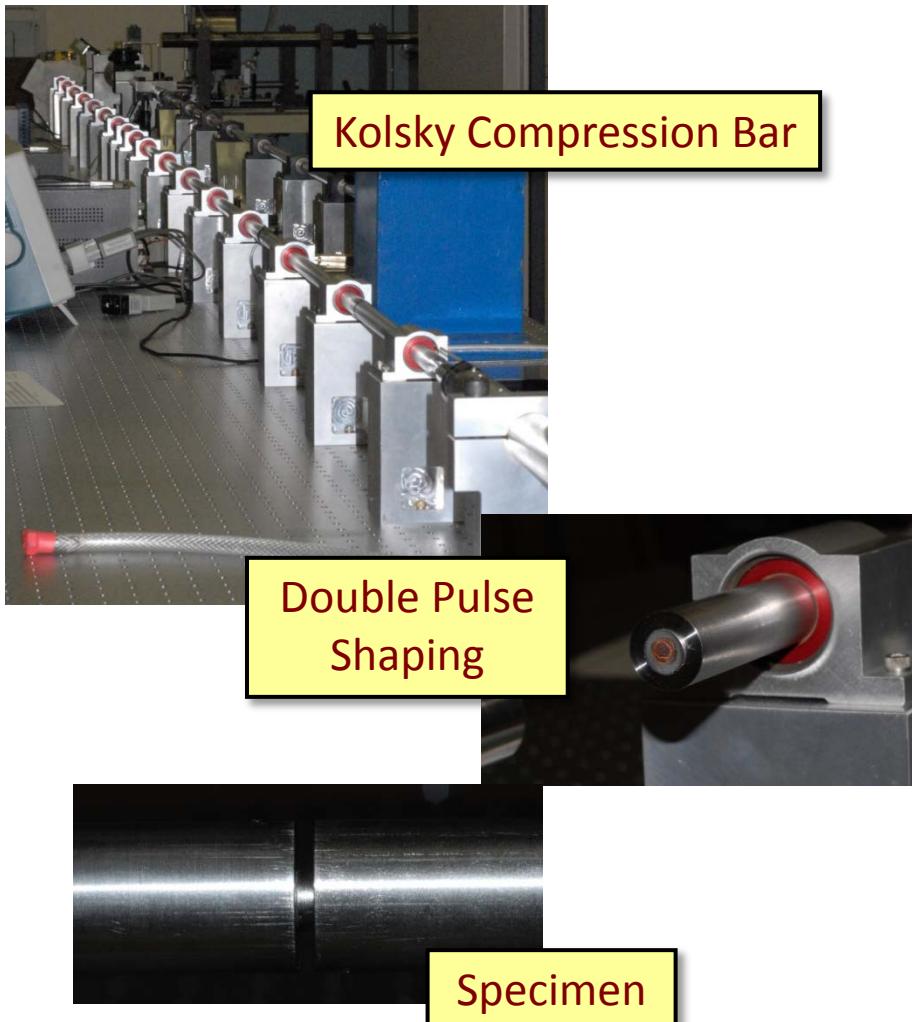
Quasistatic Mechanical Tests



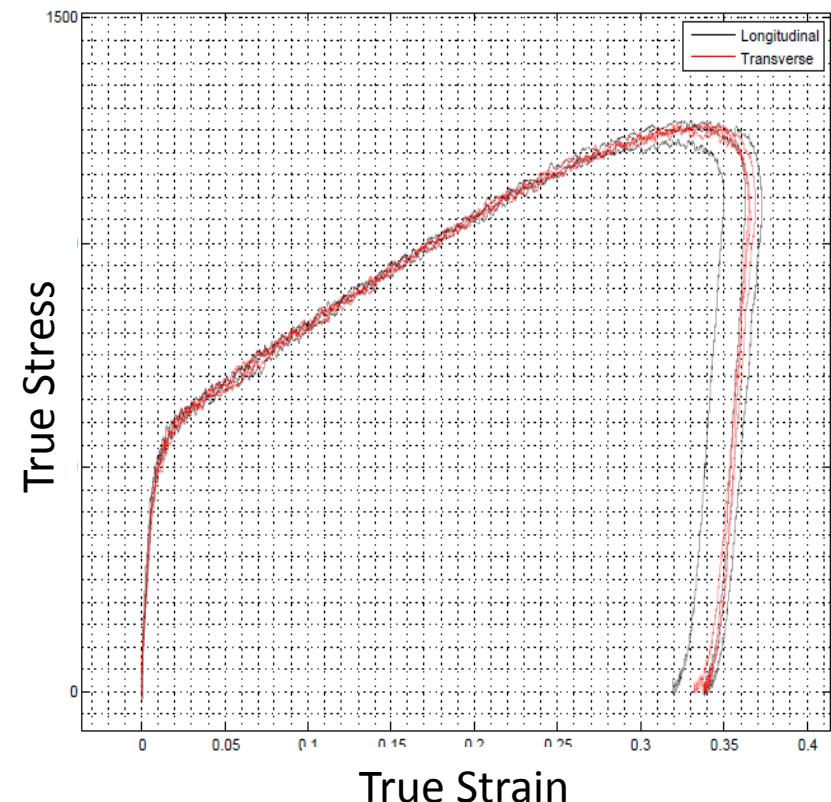
Stress-Strain Curves – Wrought 304L SS



Dynamic Compression Tests

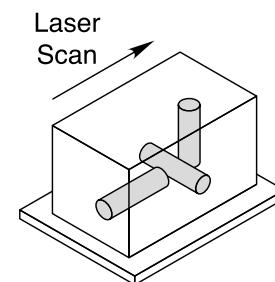
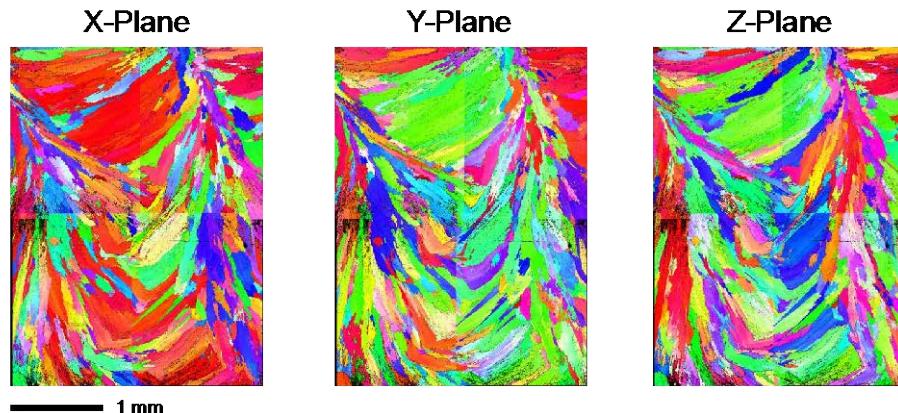


Stress-Strain Curves on Wrought 304L SS at 2500 s^{-1}

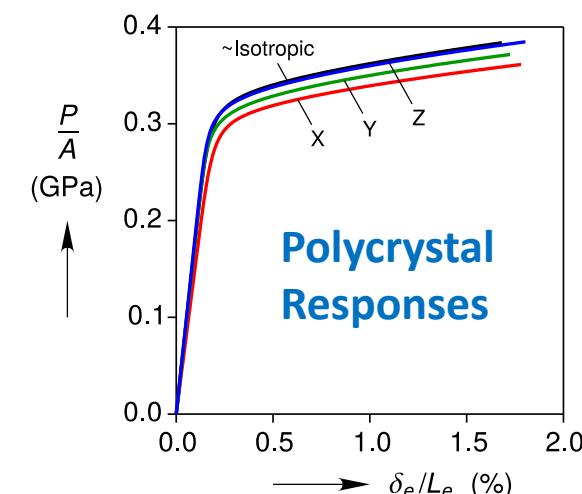
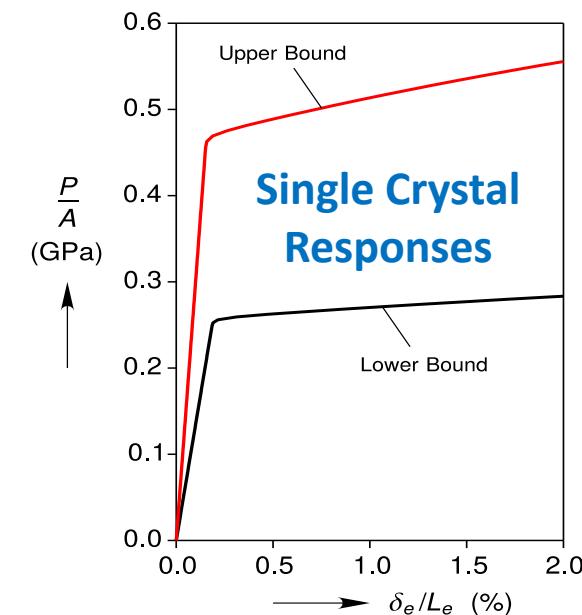
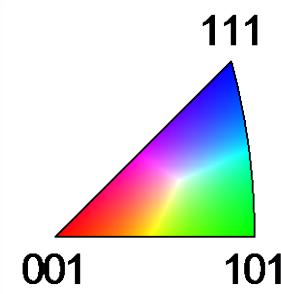
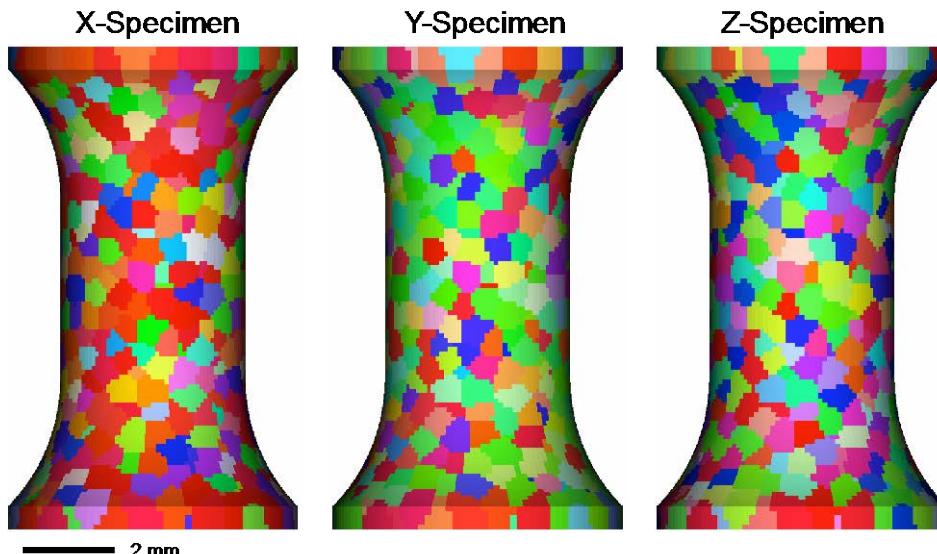


Preliminary Texture Study

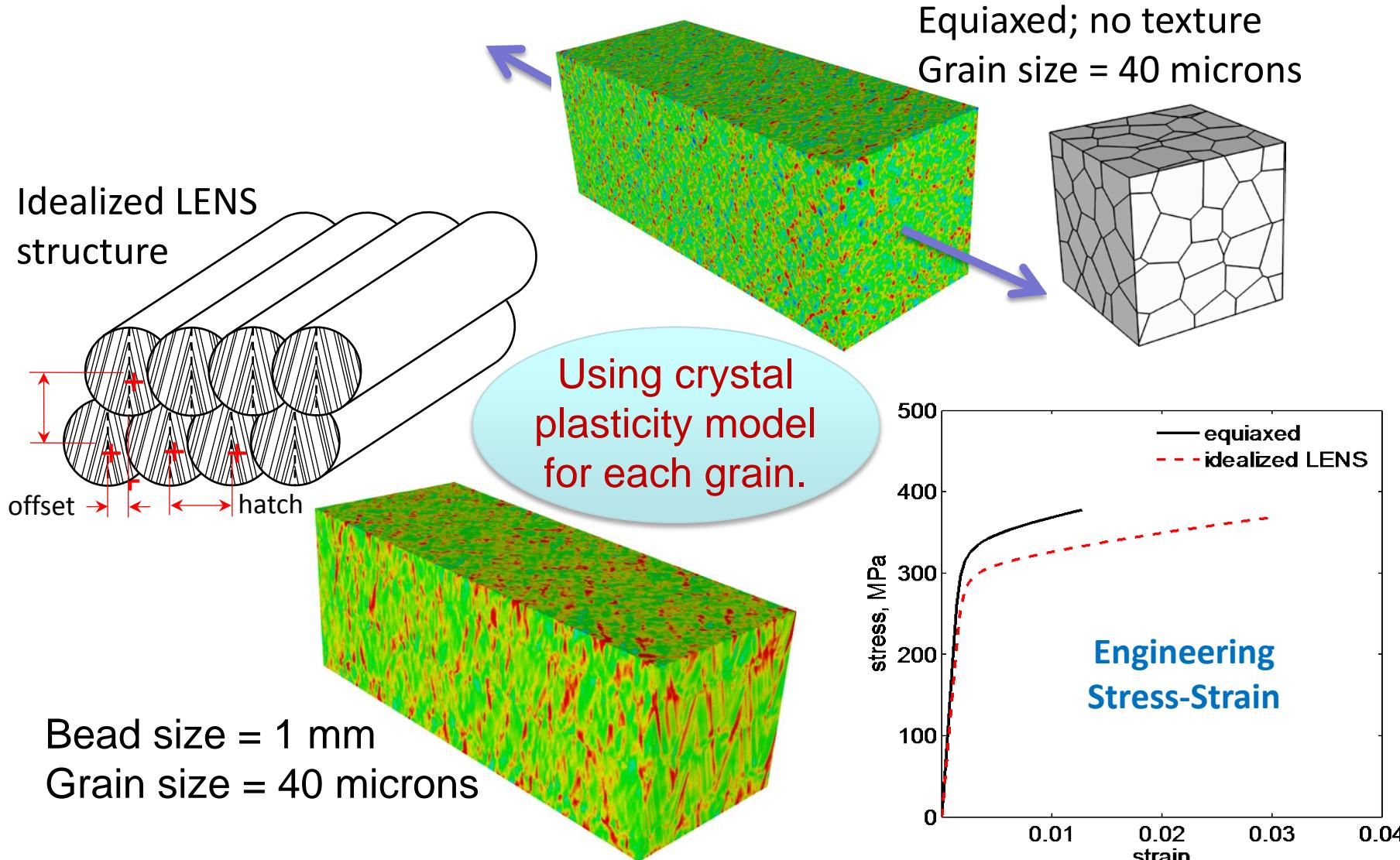
EBSD Orientation Maps



Tensile Specimens

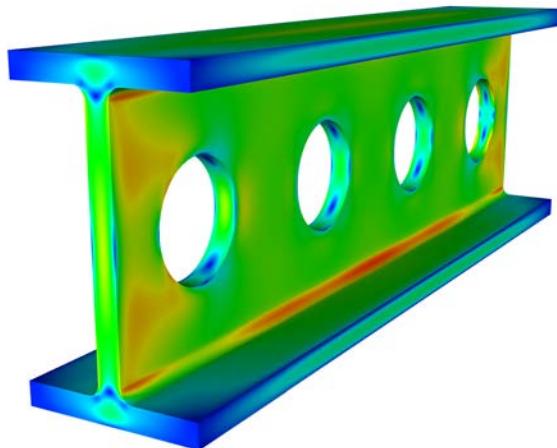


DNS of Idealized LENS Microstructures

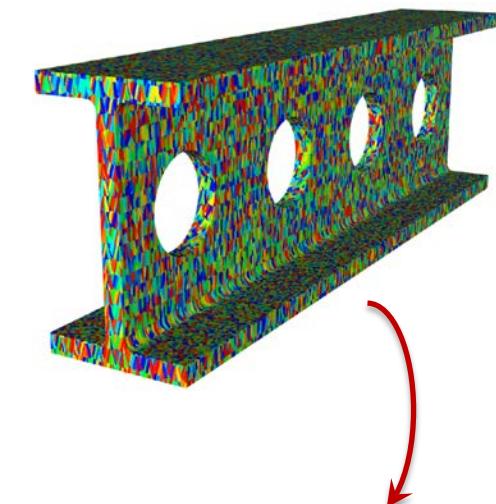
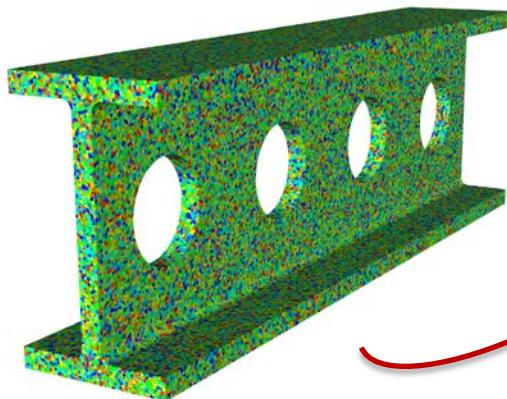
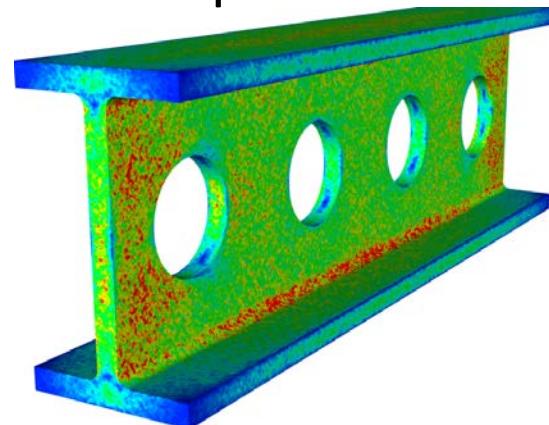


Macroscopic Stress Field

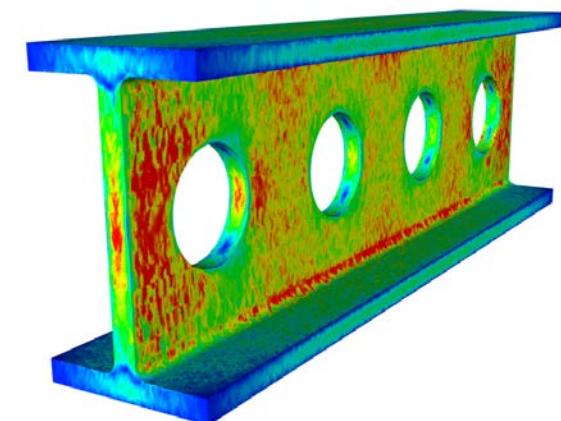
Homogeneous; isotropic



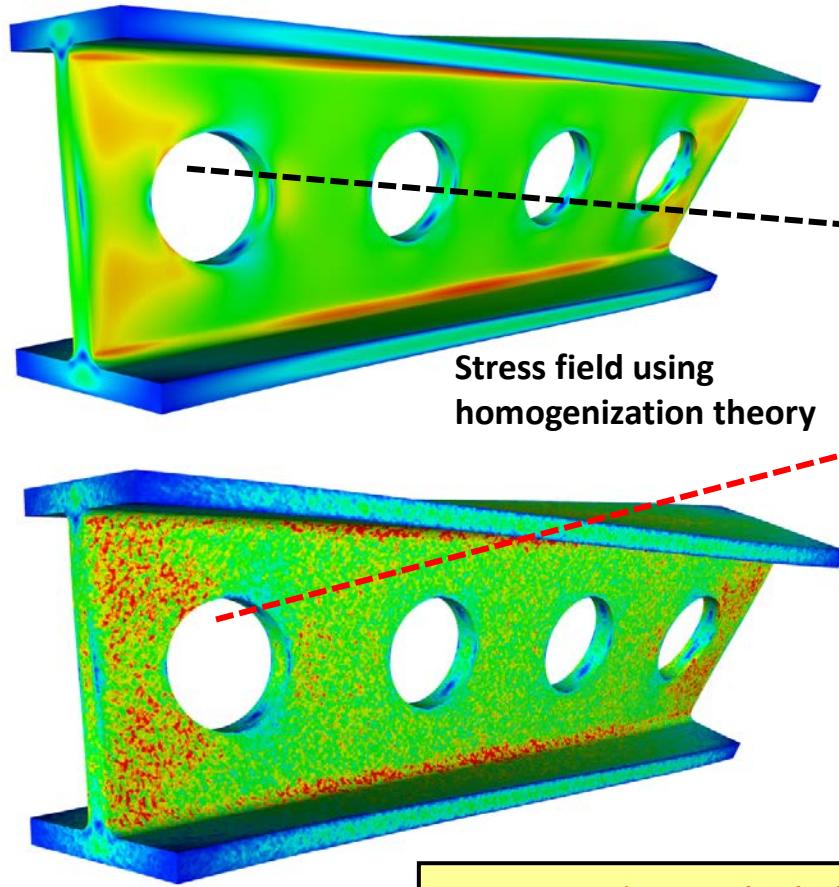
Equiaxed; no texture;
isotropic



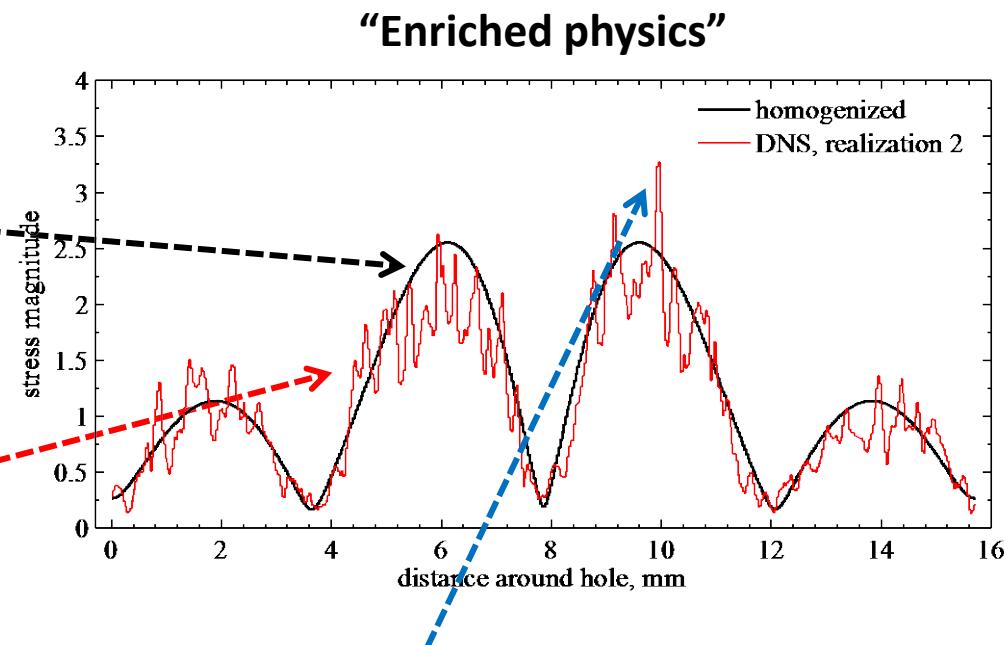
Idealized LENS



Homogenization may filter physics necessary to predict failure



Stress field using Direct Numerical Simulation



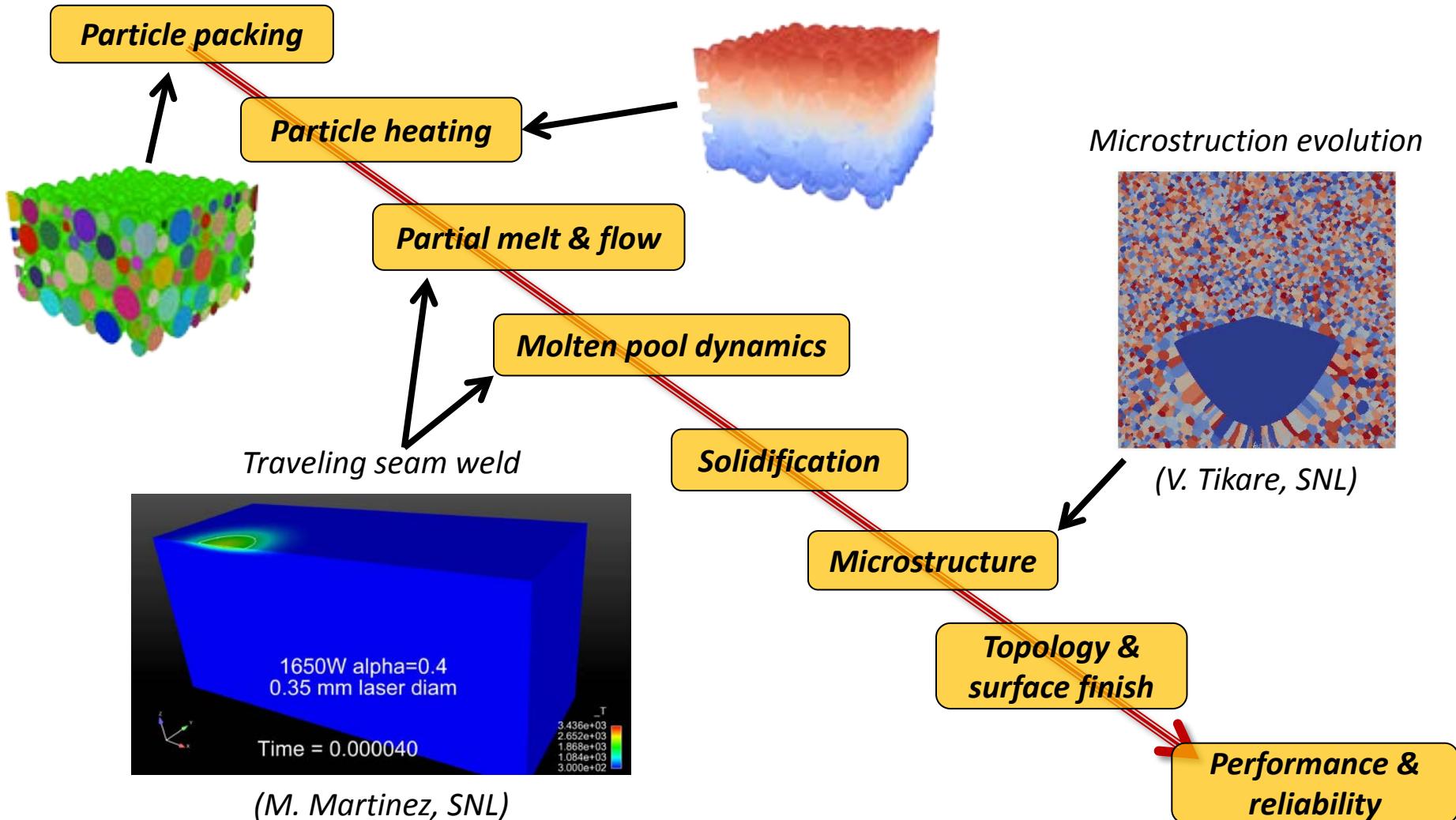
The stress field resulting from homogenization theory can miss potential fracture initiation locations.

To predict reliability with true Uncertainty Quantification, we must locally enrich physics by incorporating the microstructure.

Summary

- Additive Manufacturing is a potentially transformative technology.
- Sandia has a differentiating need to predict property and reliability of materials for high-consequence applications.
- To predict material property and reliability with true Uncertainty Quantification, we must locally enrich physics by incorporating the microstructure.
- We are developing integrated experimental and modeling capabilities for characterizing and predicting property and reliability of new materials.
- The current work will be the first application of Direct Numerical Simulation in Solid Mechanics.
 - Understand the response of LENS microstructures compared to wrought.
 - Use idealized microstructures until process modeling is available.
 - Texture measurement through EBSD.

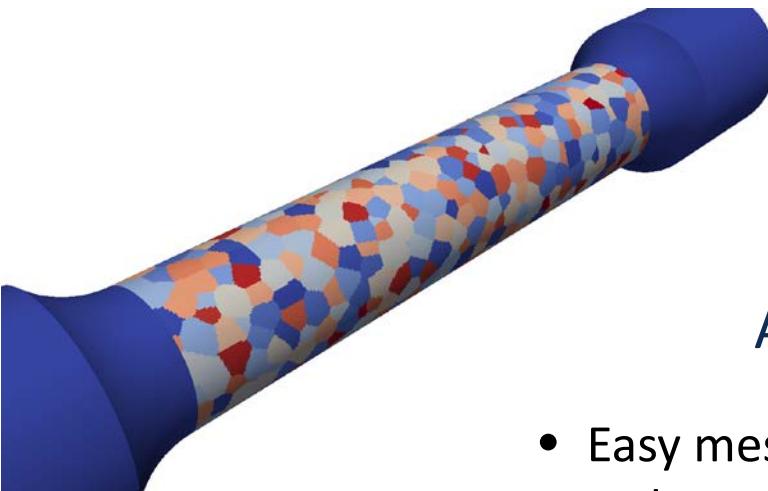
Future work – integration of Sandia process and performance simulation tools



Back up

Direct Numerical Simulation in Solid Mechanics (DNS)

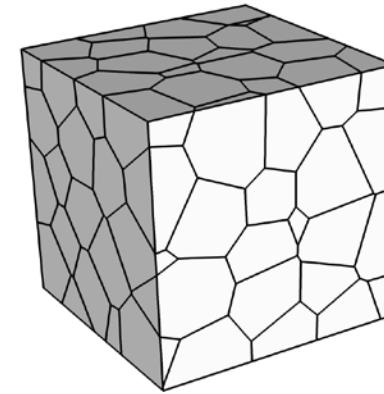
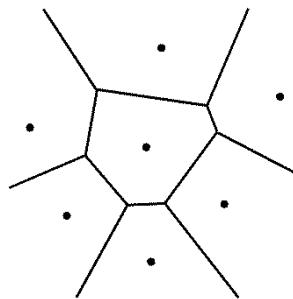
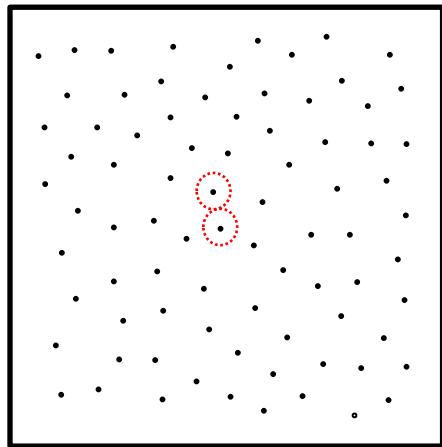
- Use voxelation approach to mesh grains
- Use macroscale hexahedral mesh as “overlay” grid
- Use idealized microstructure and texture (until process modeling is available)



Advantage of voxelation approach

- Easy meshing of microstructure
- Only need implicit representation of microstructure
- Can robustly generate many microstructural realizations
- Robust under large deformation

Voronoi Microstructure for Equiaxed Grain Structure



Maximal Poisson Sampling

- constraint on min. dist.
- seed until 'max' packing
- Ebeida/Mitchell Algorithm (1400)

RPI Crystal Plasticity Model

Dave Littlewood (SNL)

plastic velocity gradient:

$$L^p = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \dot{\gamma}^\alpha P^\alpha \quad (\text{sum over slip systems})$$

Schmid tensor:

$$P^\alpha = m^\alpha \otimes n^\alpha$$

slip system slip rates:

$$\dot{\gamma}^\alpha = \dot{\gamma}_o \frac{\tau^\alpha}{g^\alpha} \left| \frac{\tau^\alpha}{g^\alpha} \right|^{1/m-1}$$

slip system hardening:

$$g = g_o + (g_{so} - g_o) \left[1 - \exp \left(-\frac{G_o}{g_{so} - g_o} \gamma \right) \right]$$

$$\gamma = \sum_{s=1}^N |\gamma^s|$$

304L Single Crystal Elasticity Constants

(Ledbetter, 1984)

single crystal elastic constants (**cubic symmetry**)

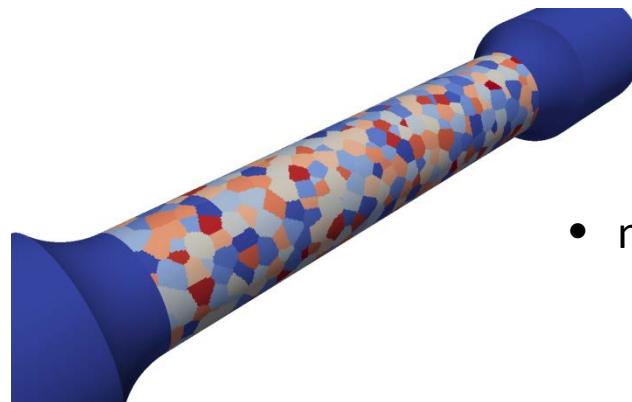
$$C_{11} = 204.6 \text{ GPa}$$

$$C_{12} = 137.7 \text{ GPa}$$

$$C_{44} = 126.2 \text{ GPa}$$

anisotropy ratio,

$$A = \frac{2C_{12}}{C_{11} - C_{44}} = 3.5$$



- need to define texture as well