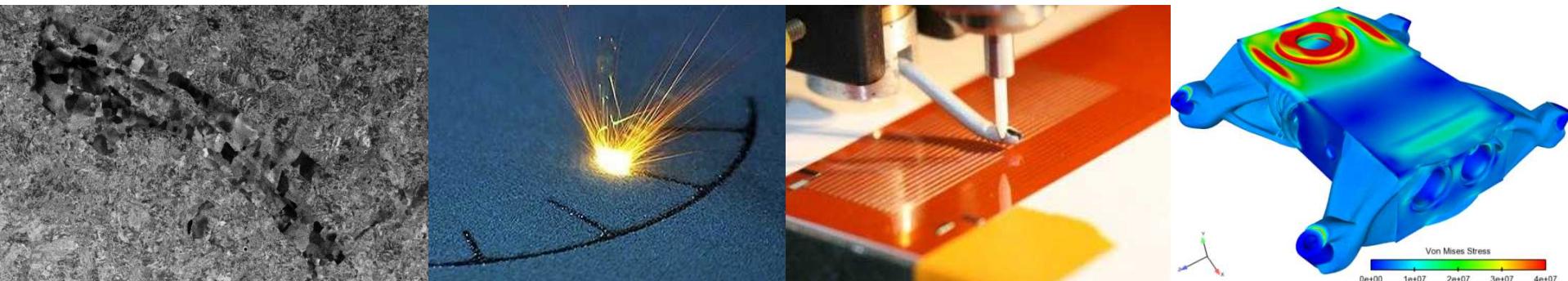


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Applications of Material and Computational Science to AM at Sandia

Bradley Jared, PhD
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Outline

- Sandia Overview
 - history
 - motivation
 - process capabilities
- Computational Science
 - engineered materials
 - process simulation
 - predicting material performance
 - design optimization
- Material Science
 - material assurance challenges
 - critical defects in metal powder bed fusion (PBF)

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- Energy & Climate
- International, Homeland, & Nuclear Security



Sandia Has a Long History in AM

- 30+ yrs of pioneering AM tech development & commercialization

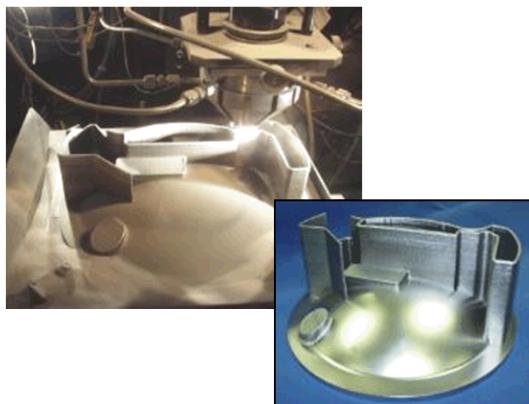
FastCast*

prototype test unit



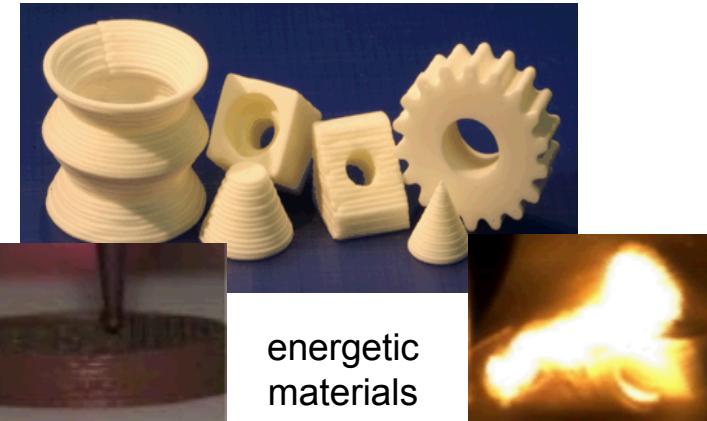
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fireset housing



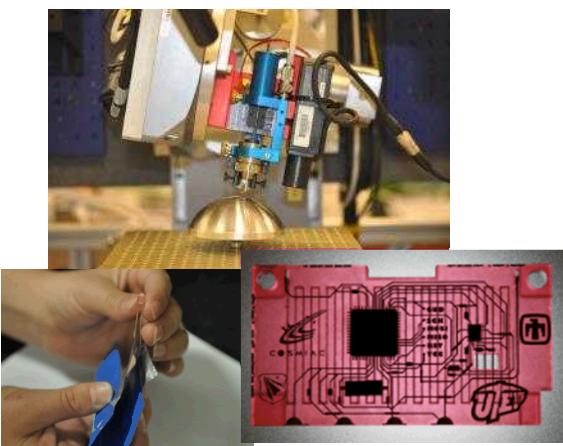
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ceramic parts



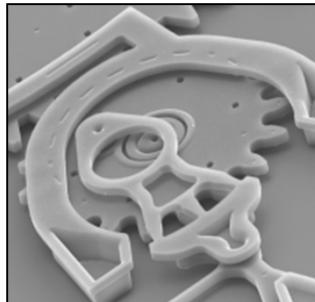
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Direct Write conformal electronics



MEMS SUMMIT™*

micro gear assembly



LIGA

“Hurricane” spring



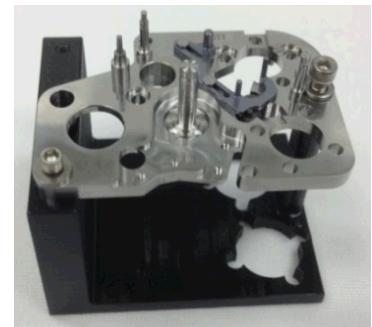
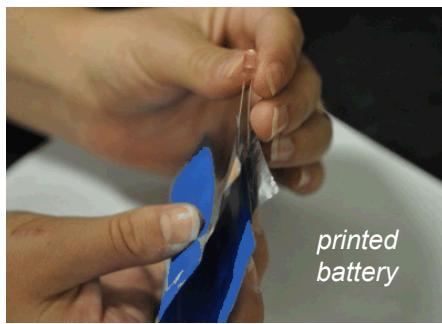
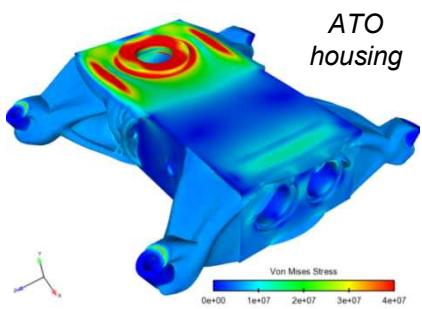
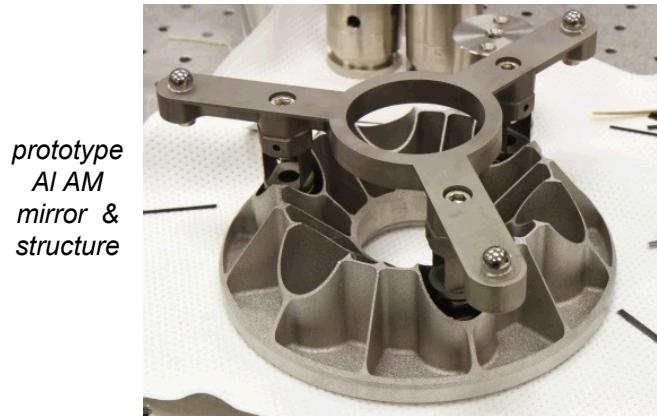
Spray Forming rocket nozzle



* licensed/commercialized technology

SNL's Additive Interest

- Reduce risk, accelerate development
 - simplify assembly & processing
 - prototypes, test hardware, tooling & fixturing
 - > 75-100 plastic machines
 - cost reductions often 2-10x
- Add value
 - design & optimize for performance, not mfg
 - complex freeforms, internal structures, integration
 - engineered materials
 - gradient compositions
 - microstructure optimization & control
 - multi-material integration

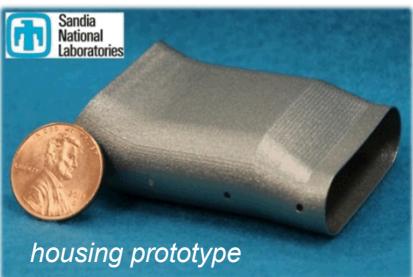


fixture generated in 1 day

Metal Additive



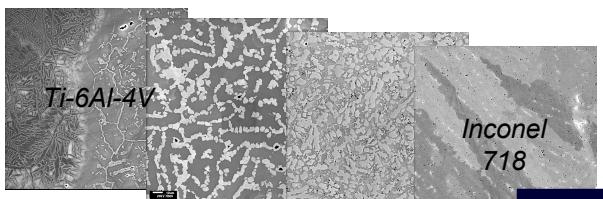
Powder bed



housing prototype



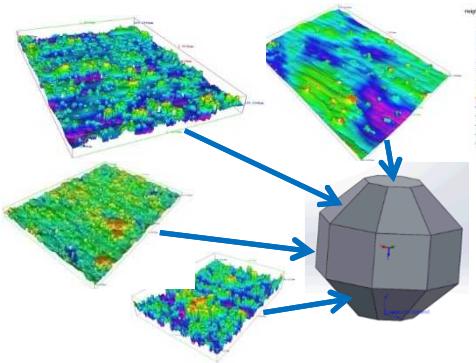
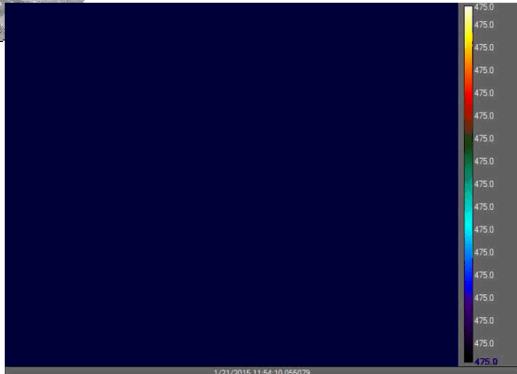
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functionally graded materials

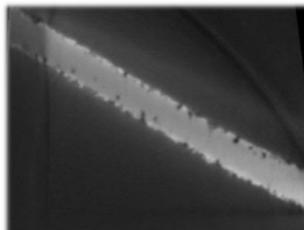
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thermal history during bi-directional metal deposition

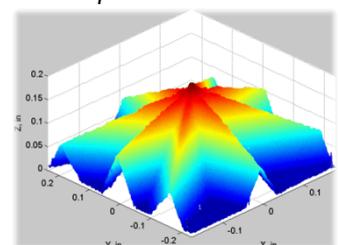


17-4PH polyhedron texture anisotropy map

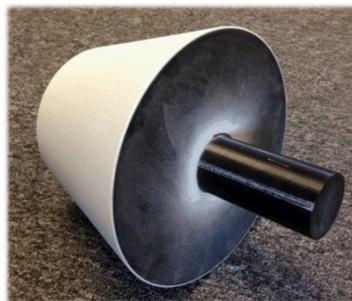
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17-4PH voids & defects W/CT

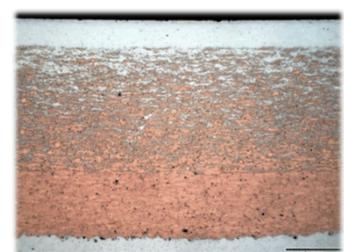


Ti6Al4V Siemens star data



*3D printed mandrel
w/thermal sprayed zinc*

Thermal spray

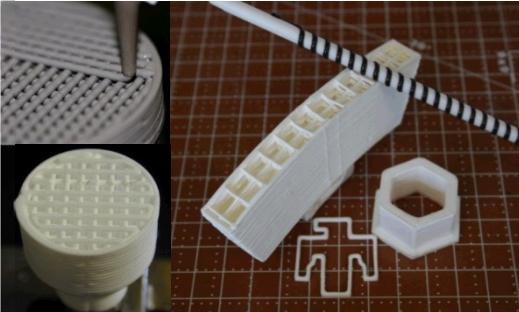


Cu-Al plasma sprayed graded density coating

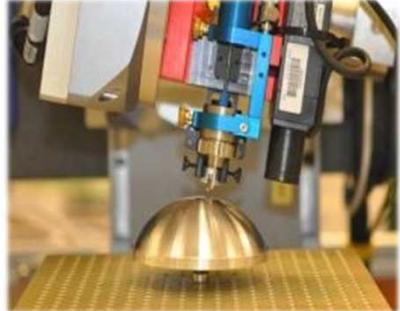
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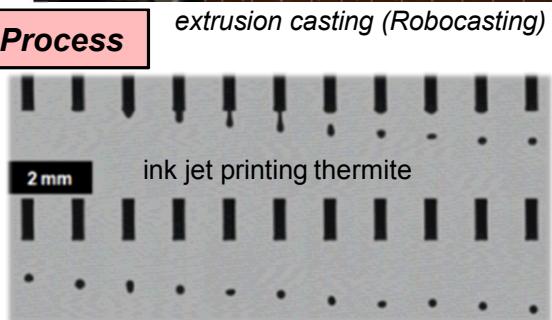
aerosol
jet
printing
to 10 μm



extrusion casting (Robocasting)



conformal printing

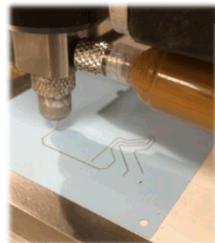


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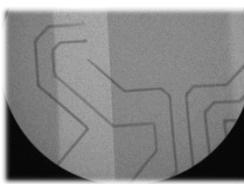
ink jet printing thermite



Ag traces on
powdercoated metal

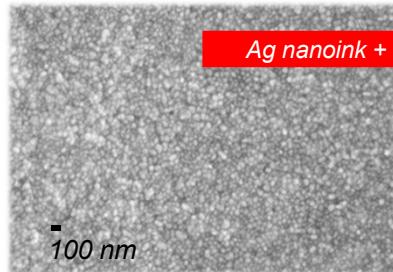


circuit fabrication

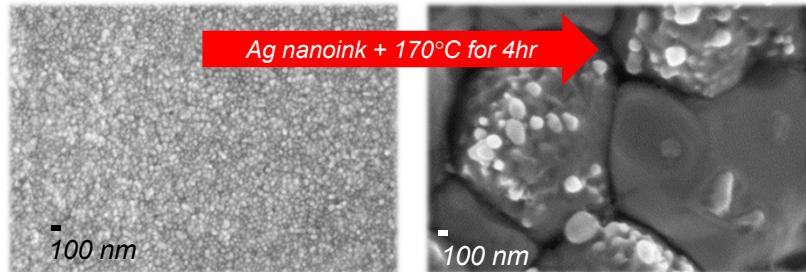


X-ray of 4 layer
composite

rapid circuit prototyping & production
for thick film LTCC



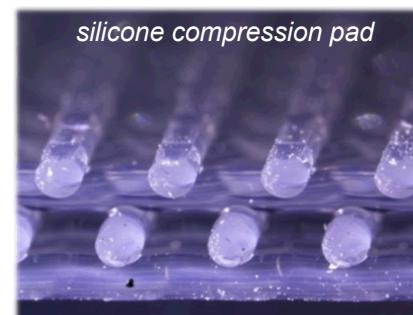
Ag nanoink + 170°C for 4hr



100 nm

sintering of Ag nanoinks for conductive pathways

Materials



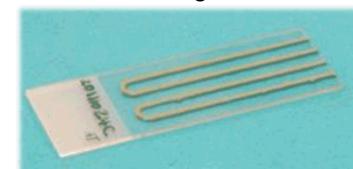
silicone compression pad



room temperature cure
of Ag traces on PET film



printed battery

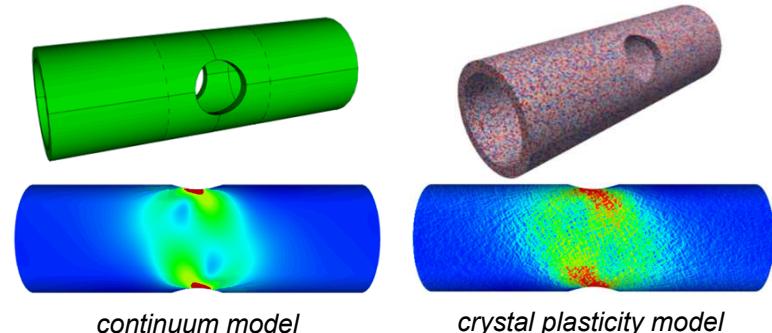
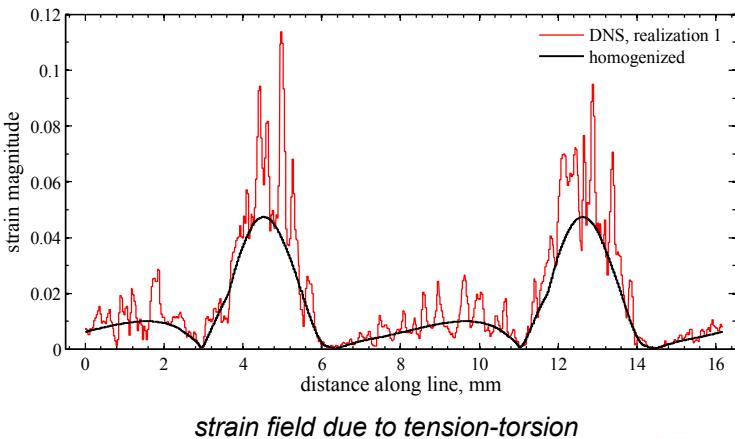


energetic materials

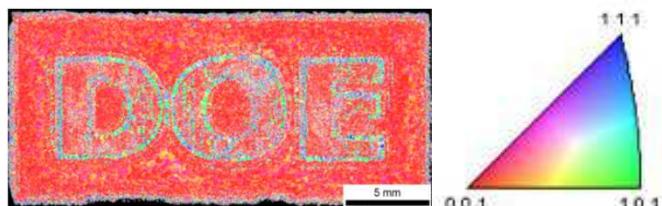
Applications

Engineered Materials

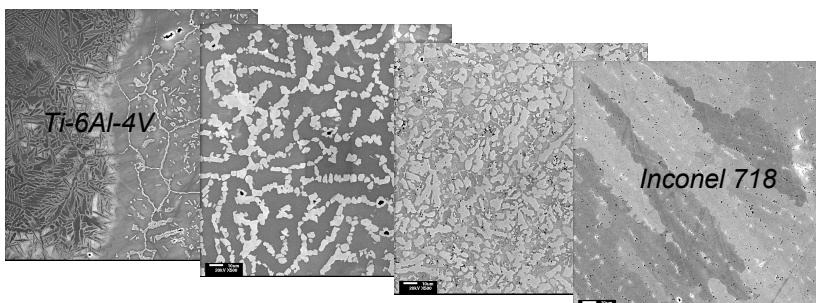
- Integrated Computational Materials Engineering (ICME)
 - materials analog to mechanical engineering
 - microstructure matters
- Voxel access introduces new opportunities for control & design
 - spanning multi-scales is difficult
 - metallurgical limits exist



AM Inconel 718 texture control demo by ORNL

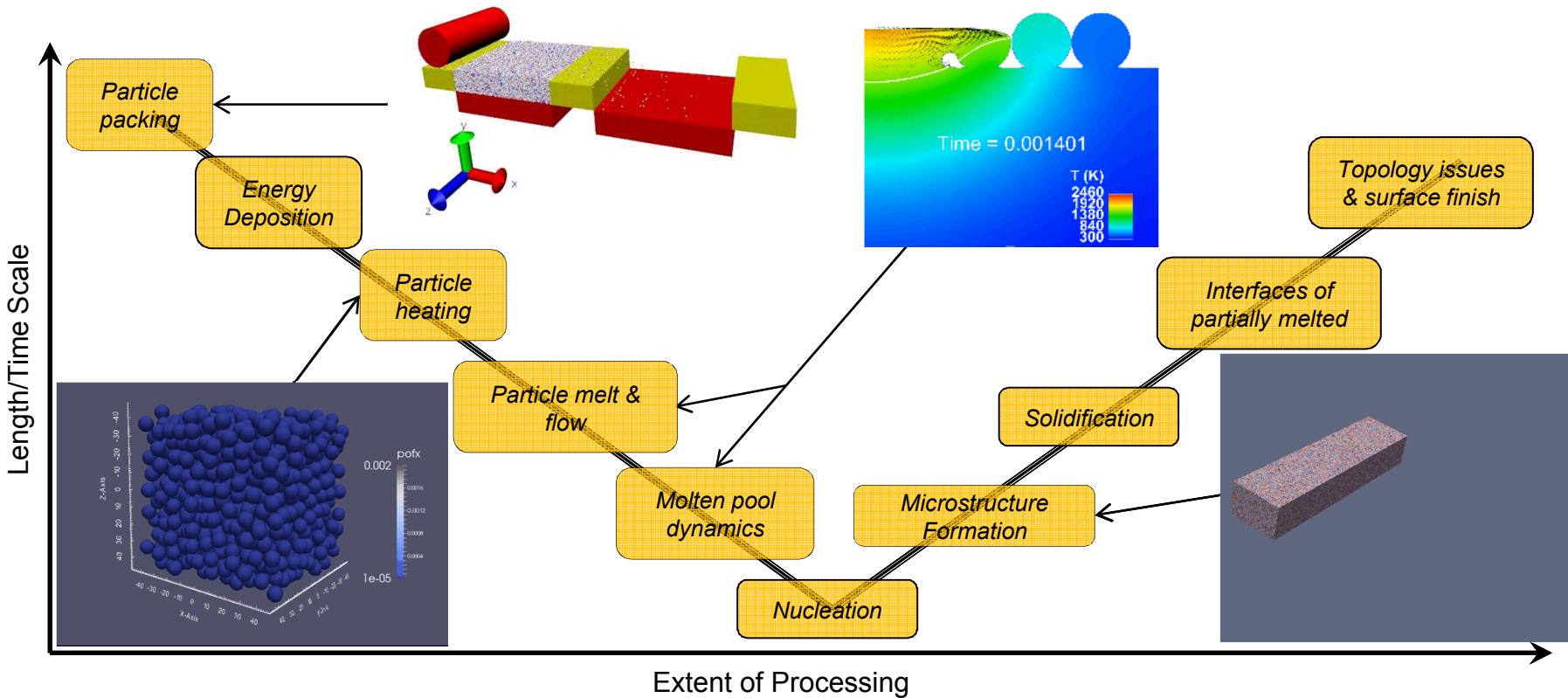


"We can now control local material properties, which will change the future of how we engineer metallic components," R. Dehoff



LENS® functionally graded materials

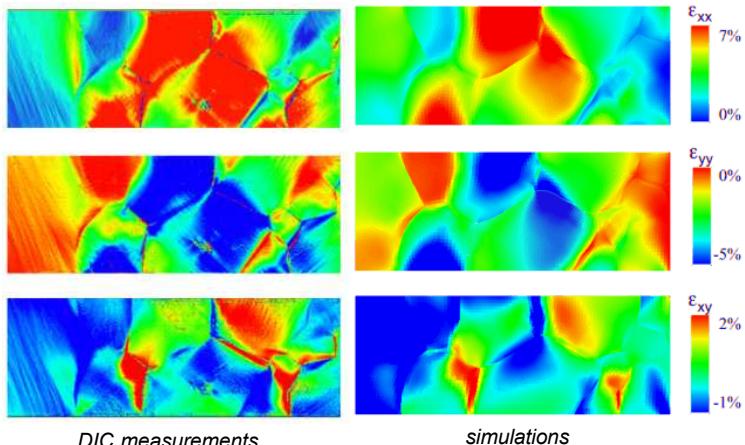
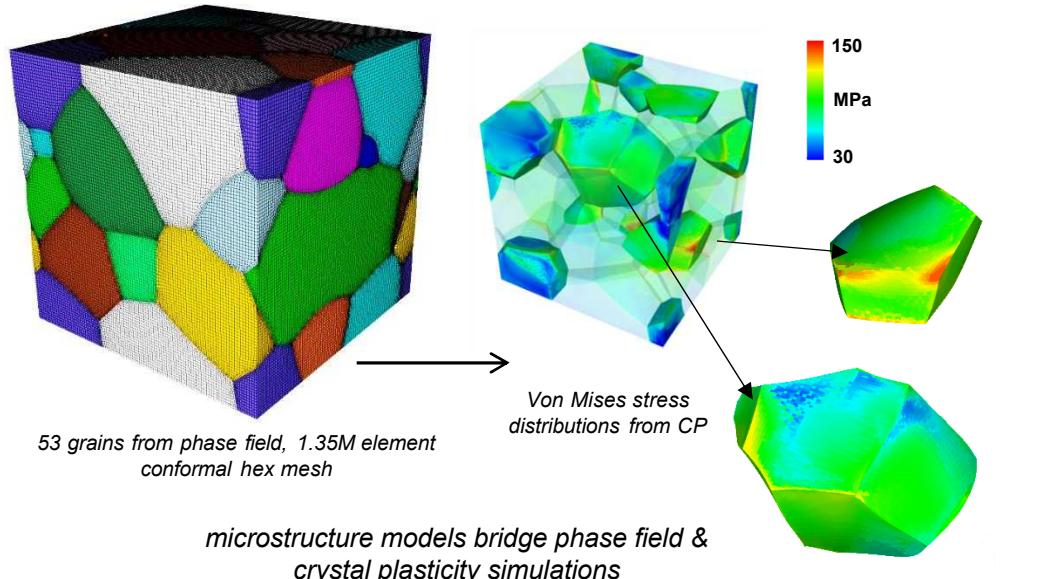
Application of Process Simulations



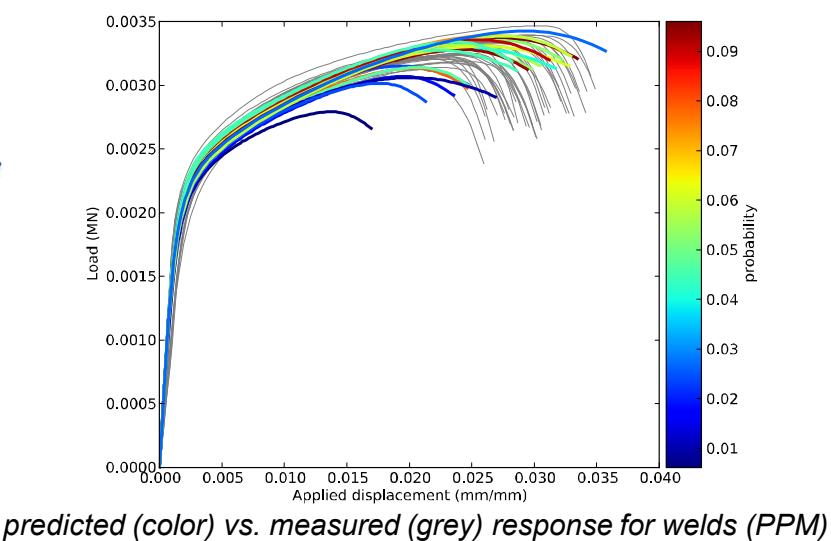
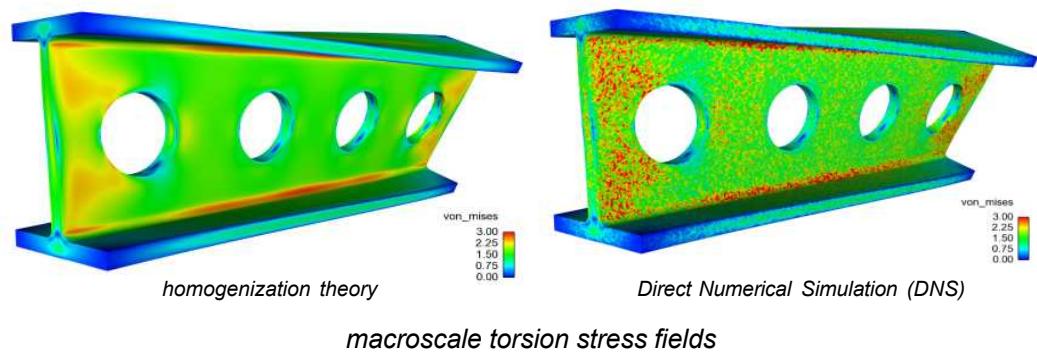
- **Process**
 - reduce experimentation
 - laser-material interaction
 - discrete particle physics
 - process -> structure relationships
 - process limits

- **Defect impact**
 - understand formation mechanisms
 - explore uncertainty quantifications
 - predict response from stochastic process knowledge

Predicting Material Performance

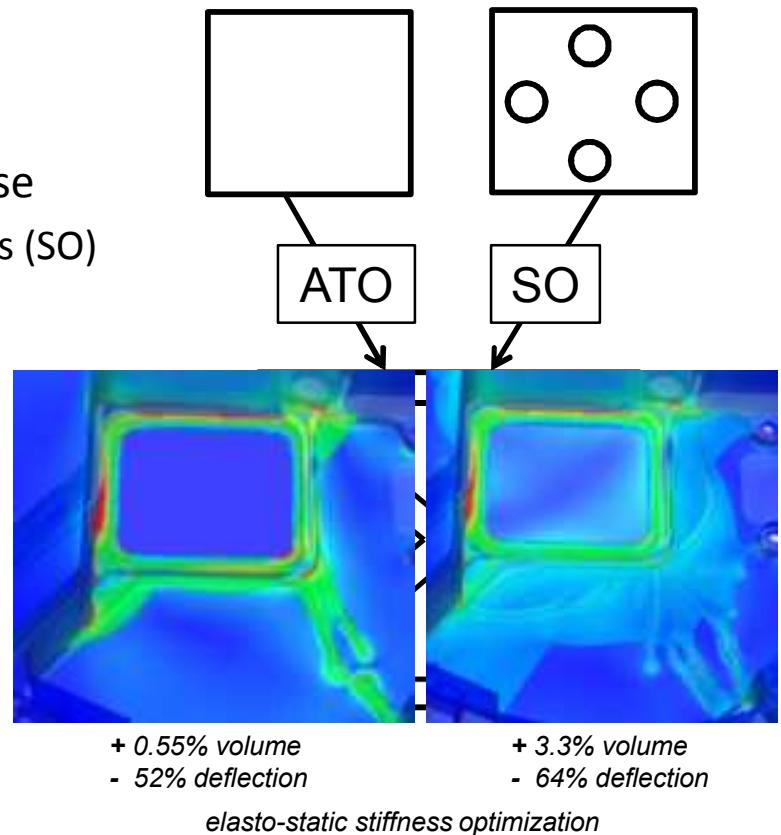
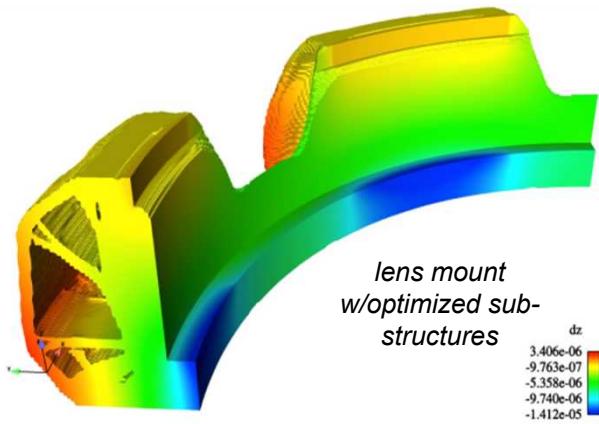


oligocrystal tensile load experiment vs. crystal plasticity models



New Design Freedom

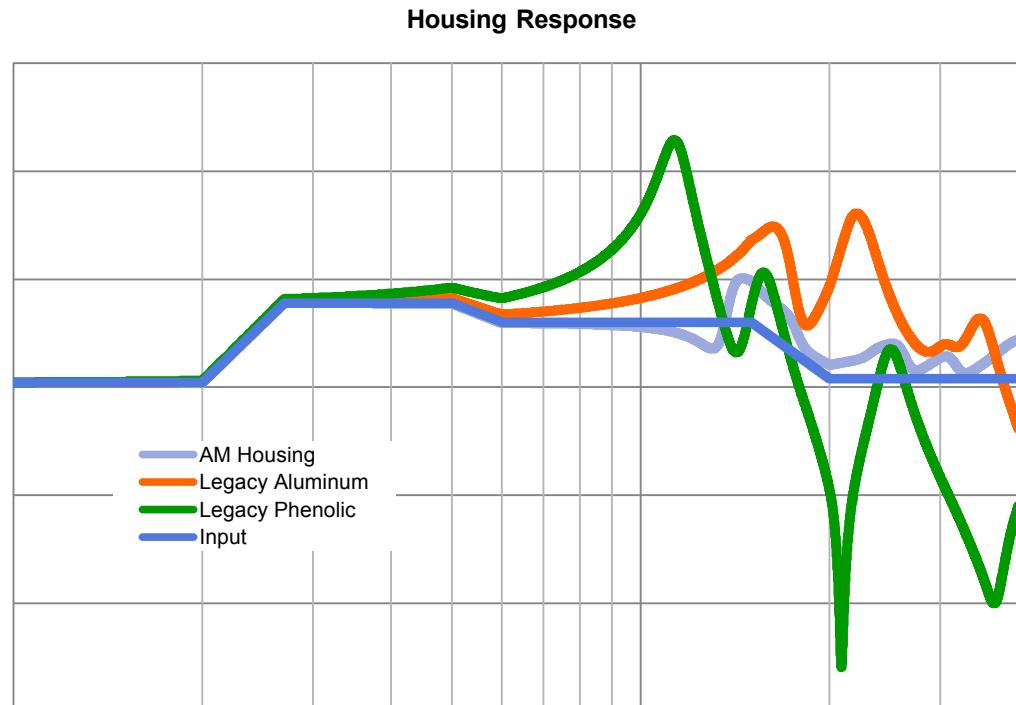
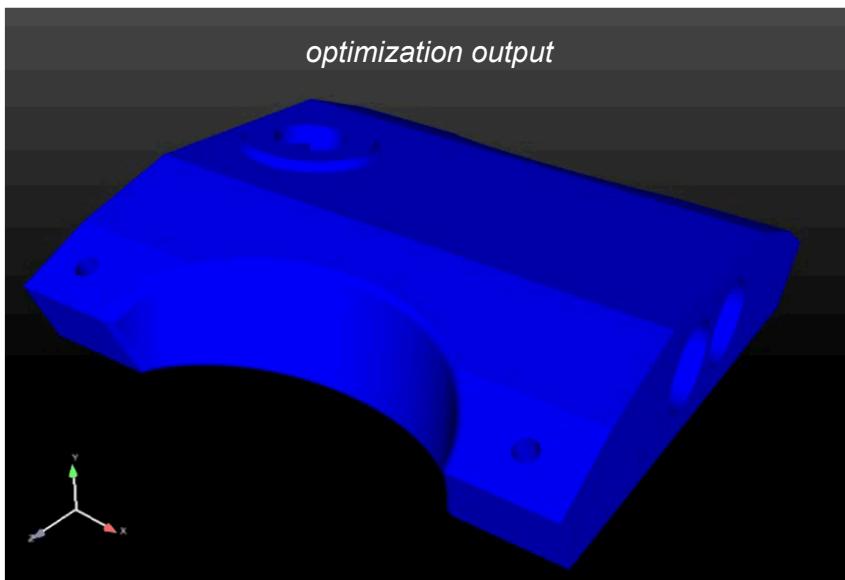
- Computational synthesis for optimal material use
 - adaptive topological (ATO) & shape optimizations (SO)
 - leverages “complexity is preferred”
 - constrained by performance requirements
 - bio-mimicry requires AM
 - design occurs concurrent w/simulation



solution for a bar in pure torsion resembles a cholla cactus

Optimization Impact

Optimized design (using same mass and material, i.e., carbon phenolic) achieves 39% average increase in modes of interest, compared to 23% increase achieved by printing original design in aluminum.



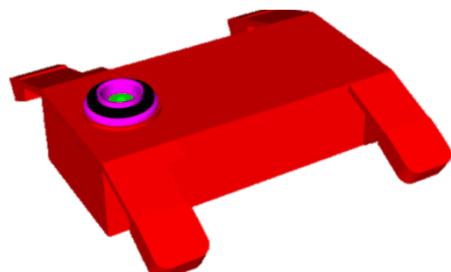
Inverting the Design Cycle

CURRENT

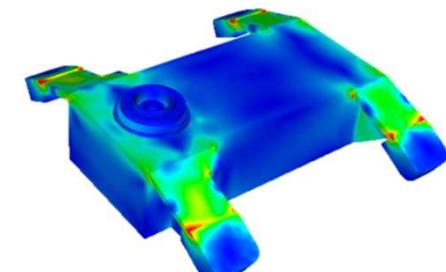
Specify Form



Design



Verify Function Using FEA

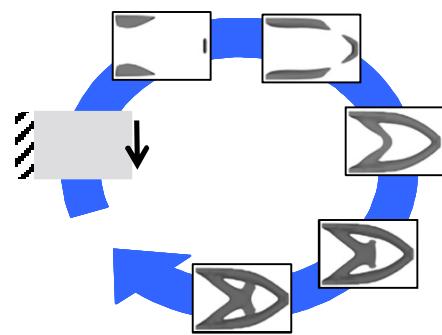


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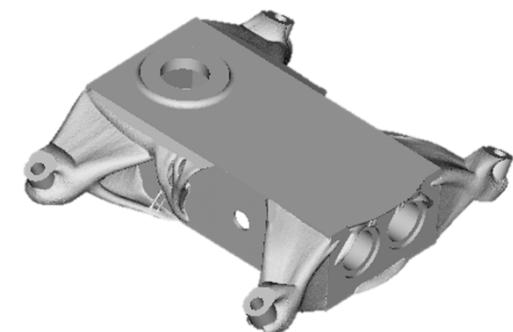
Specify Design Domain and Function



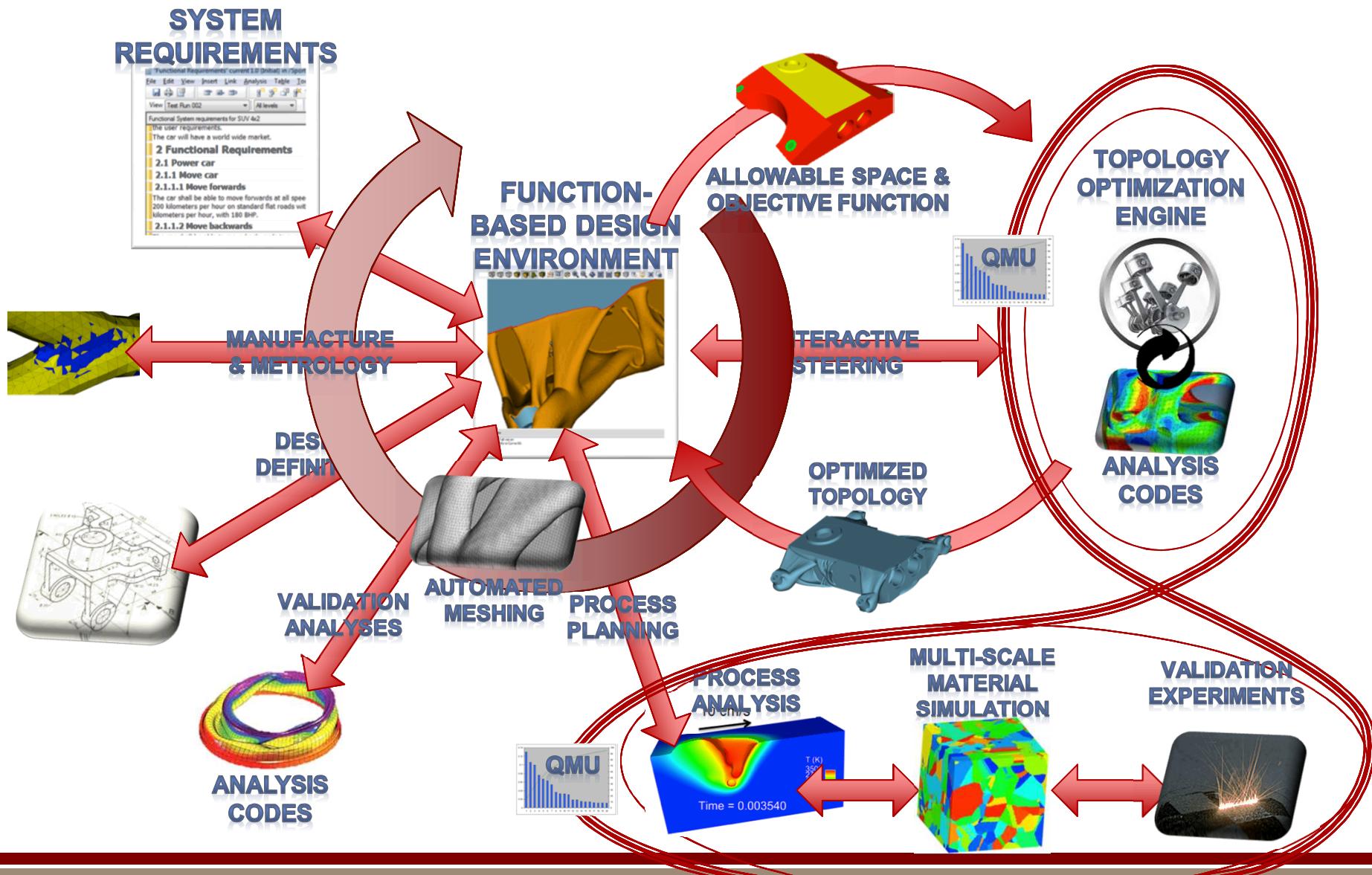
Use Topology Optimization (FEA) to Determine Form that Meets Function



Optimized Design (Form)



How Will This Revolution Work?



Sandia Analysis Workbench (SAW)

The screenshot displays the Cubit software interface for topology optimization. The main window is divided into several panels:

- Model Navigator:** Shows the project structure under "3DMitchell" with categories like Geometry/Mesh, Results Part, and TimeStep01 to TimeStep92.
- Model View - 3DMitchell:** A 3D view of a block model. The top surface is yellow, the middle section is purple, and the bottom section is green. A small coordinate system is visible at the bottom left of the view.
- Command Panel:** Shows a table of 3 jobs with their status, including "Demo" and "Test" which are completed, and "3DMitchell" which is also completed.
- Settings:** A detailed panel for "Sideset 1" with fields for Id (1), Type (Sideset(1)), Name (Sideset), Color (Not Set), Element Count (64), and Description.
- Console:** A terminal window showing the command history and errors. It includes the command "Demo - post-processing" and output patterns "iso.exo".

Sandia Analysis Workbench (SAW)

Cubit - Topology Optimization

File Edit Navigate Search Run Window Help

Model Navigator Cubit Tree Power Tools

*Model View - TimeStep102

3D Mitchell

Geometry/Mesh

- 3D Mitchell
- Results Part
- TimeStep01
- TimeStep07
- TimeStep10
- *TimeStep102
 - Journal
 - Assemblies
 - Volumes
 - Groups
 - Blocks
 - SideSets
 - NodeSets
 - Boundary Layers
- TimeStep14
- TimeStep18
- TimeStep27
- TimeStep31
- TimeStep35
- TimeStep43
- TimeStep47
- TimeStep62
- TimeStep87
- TimeStep92
- TimeStep99
- albany

Settings

Geometry/Mesh: 'TimeStep102'

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Journal File: C:/Users/bhjared/PLATO/3D Mitchell/3DMitchell_files/TimeStep102_cubit/TimeStep1

Mesh File: C:/Users/bhjared/PLATO/3D Mitchell/3DMitchell_files/simulation/TimeStep102.g

Next Steps

Execute Geometry/Mesh Node

Model View - TimeStep102

Command Panel Job Status Progress

Showing 3 jobs, 2 filters are active.

Job Name	Stage	Queue Status	Submit Date	Machine
Demo	Finished	Completed	2015-10-19 12:3...	redsky
Test	Finished	Completed	2015-10-19 11:4...	redsky
3DMitchell	Finished	Completed	2015-10-19 11:3...	redsky

Console

```

<terminated> Demo [Job Submission] Demo - post-processing
Output file patterns:
iso.exo

Testing file pattern: iso.exo
No files matching pattern: iso.exo
Retrieving job properties file...
Remote job properties file not found.

Post Processing completed normally

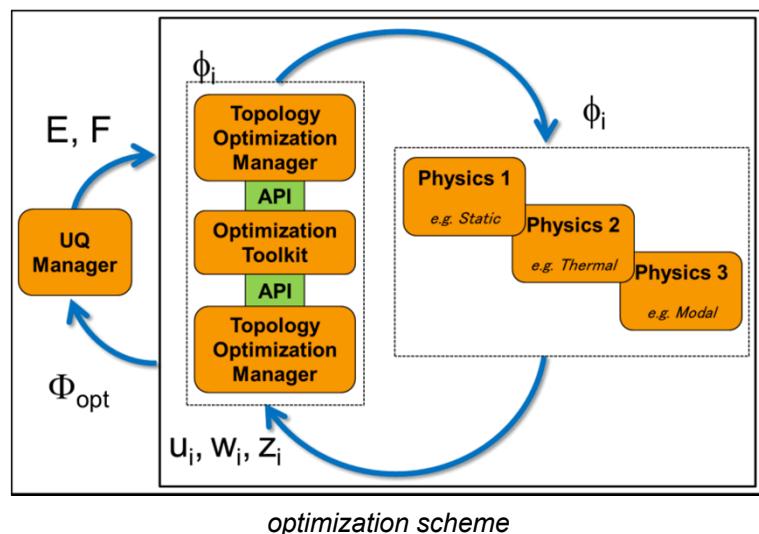
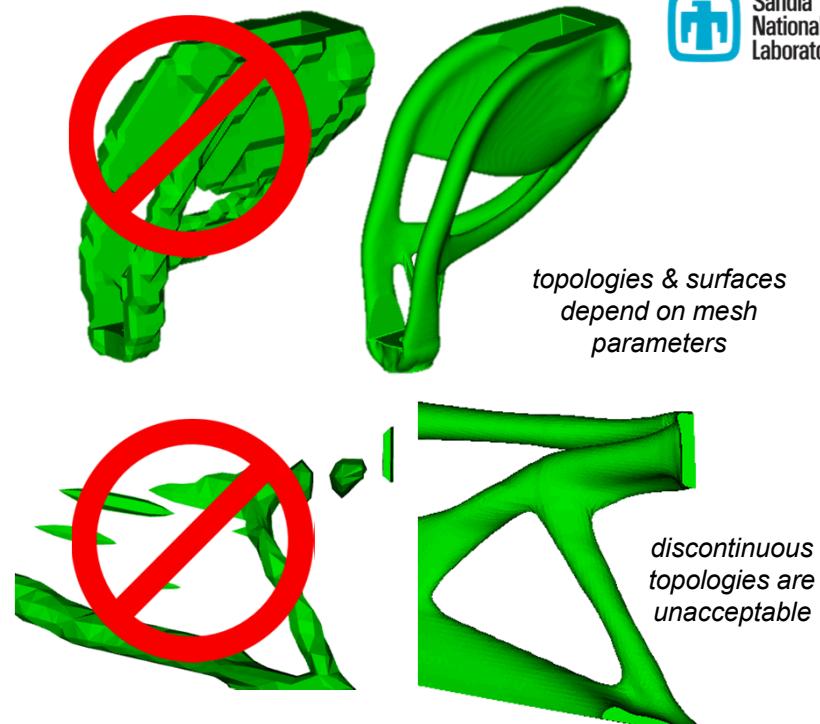
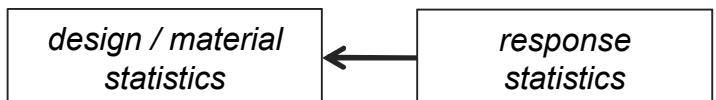
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1 item selected

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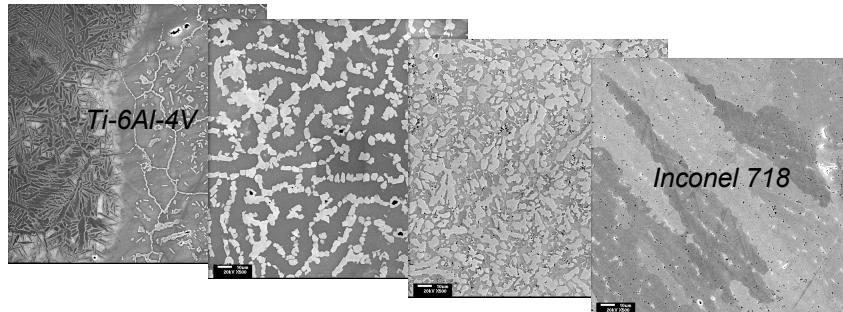
Design Challenges

- Ease of use
 - data formats
 - interactive steering
 - smooth, connected geometries
- Efficiency
 - manipulating volume data
 - reduced order models
 - faster converging algorithms
- Physics
 - elasto-statics, modal, thermal exist
 - complex boundary constraints (ex. sliding)
 - multi-physics
 - process constraints & design rules
- Uncertainties
 - computational, requirements, materials
 - solve stochastic inverse problem



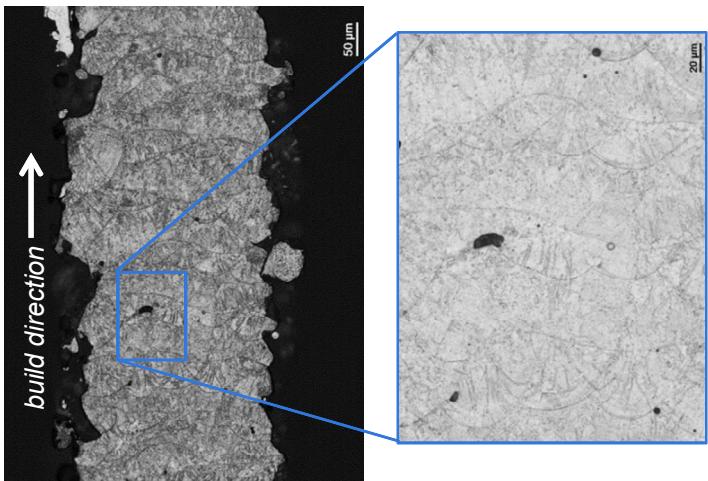
Challenges Managing Additive Metals

- Material formation concurrent w/geometry
 - feedstock certs inadequate for performance
 - how to ID a bad part?
 - ex-situ evaluation can be too slow, expensive, inaccurate &/or late
 - need worst case properties & distributions, not just the mean
 - complexity isn't "free"
 - traditionally just measured surfaces
 - properties vary w/geometry



LENS® functionally graded materials

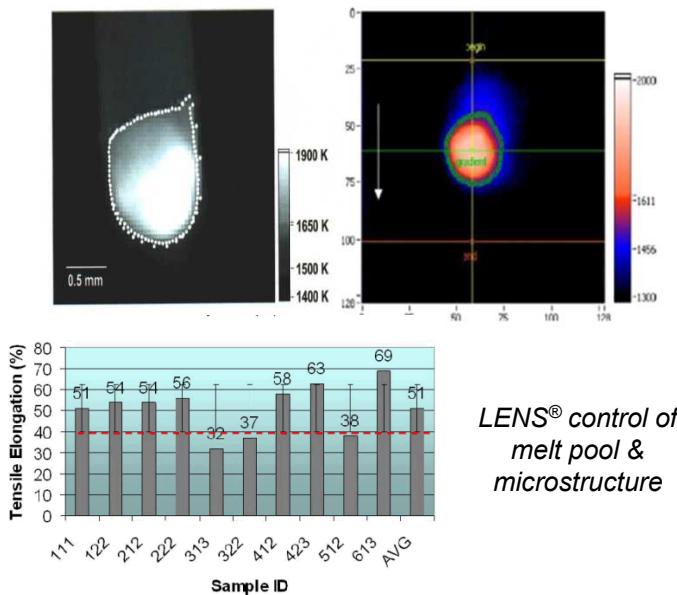
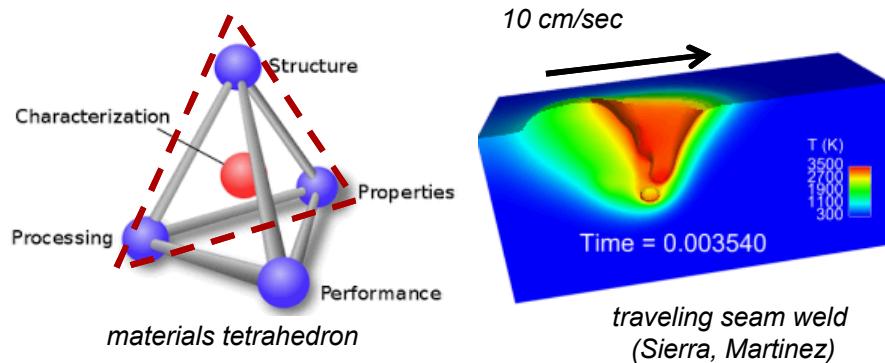
- Processes
 - predominantly open loop
 - enables large margins or post-process inspection
 - unacceptable for high consequence parts
 - process monitoring becoming available
 - defect detection
 - path to moderate margins & yields (?)



defects in 17-4 PH w/ 0.015" nominal wall thickness

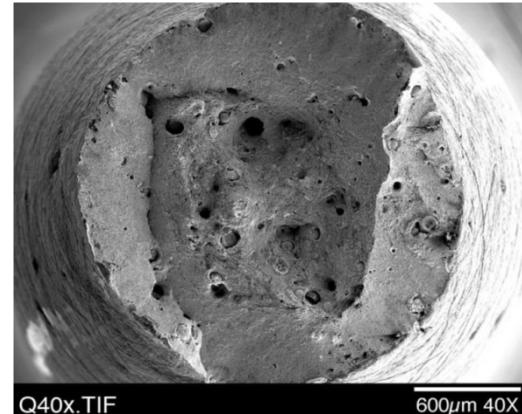
New Paradigm for Material Assurance

- Quantify process-structure-property relationships
 - process maps, constitutive models & HPC simulations
 - *understand behavior & formation of critical defects*
- Implement process control
 - start w/in-situ monitoring
 - establish property bounds & control needs
 - predictive process control
 - defect prevention (and correction?)
 - material optimization
- Leverage experience in LENS®, laser welding , thermal spray, casting

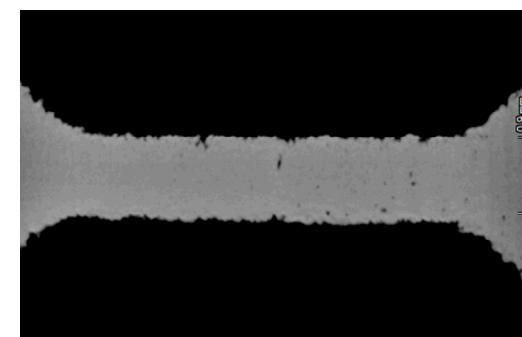


Exploring *Critical* Defects

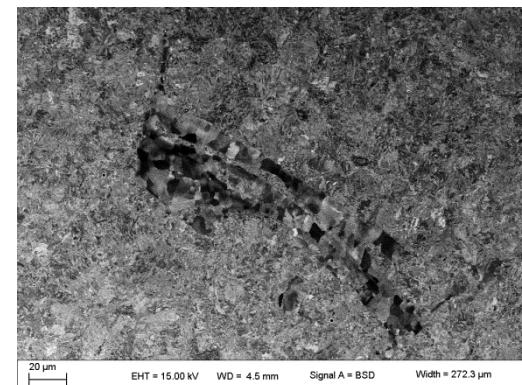
- Characterize, predict & control for metal powder bed fusion
 - exploring PH13-8Mo as an alternative to 304L
 - initial work in 17-4PH
 - higher strength w/multiple strengthening mechanisms
- Quantifying morphologies & distributions
 - micro-CT, destructive sectioning
 - multi-modal analyses
 - grain orientation, composition, localized hardness, micro-segregation, secondary phases
 - what can we ID accurately & efficiently?
- Understand mechanistic impacts on properties
 - characterize stochastics
 - build structure-property relationships



ductile fracture initiated by LENS® defects in PH13-8Mo*



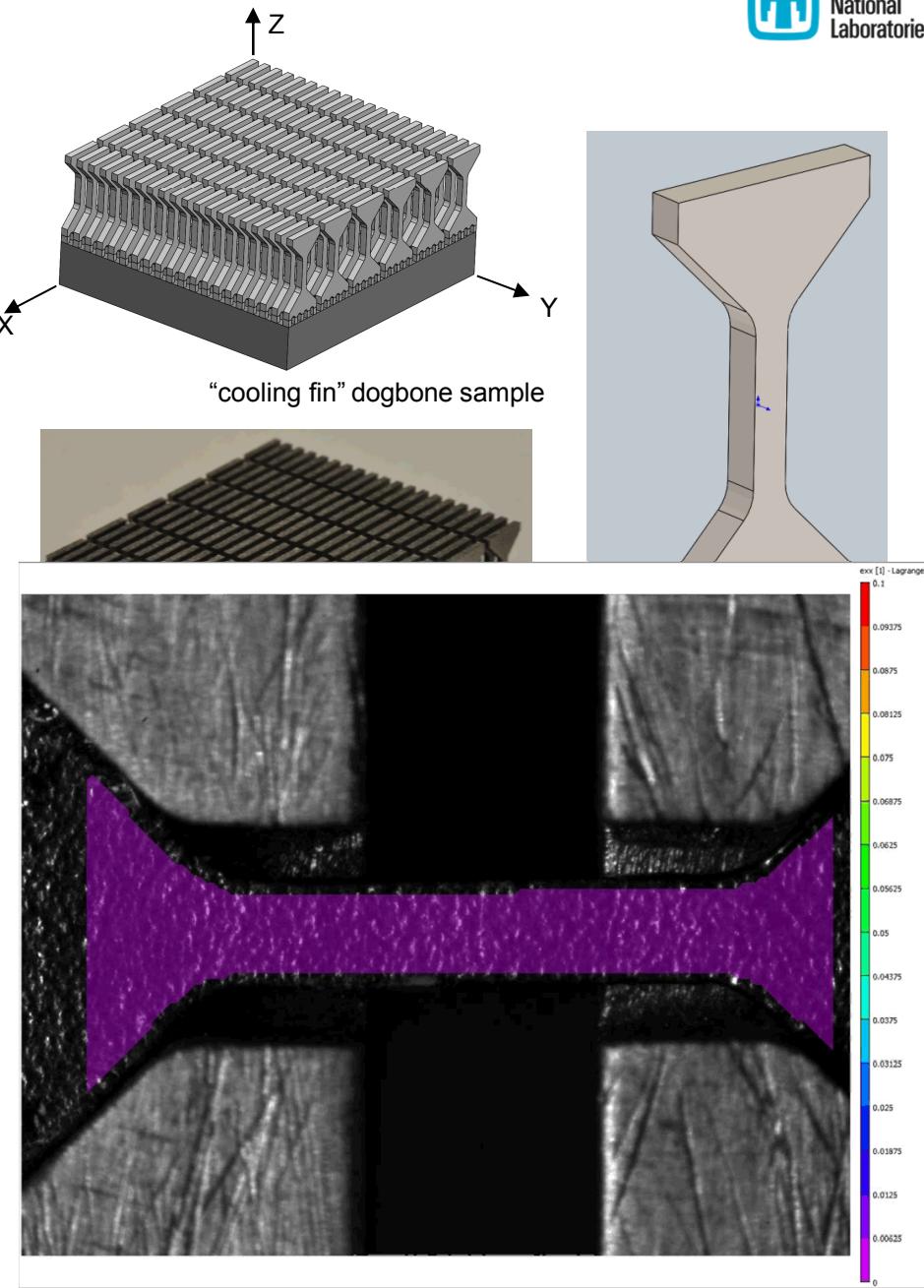
CT of 17-4PH dogbone sample



untransformed austenite+ ferrite in 17-4PH

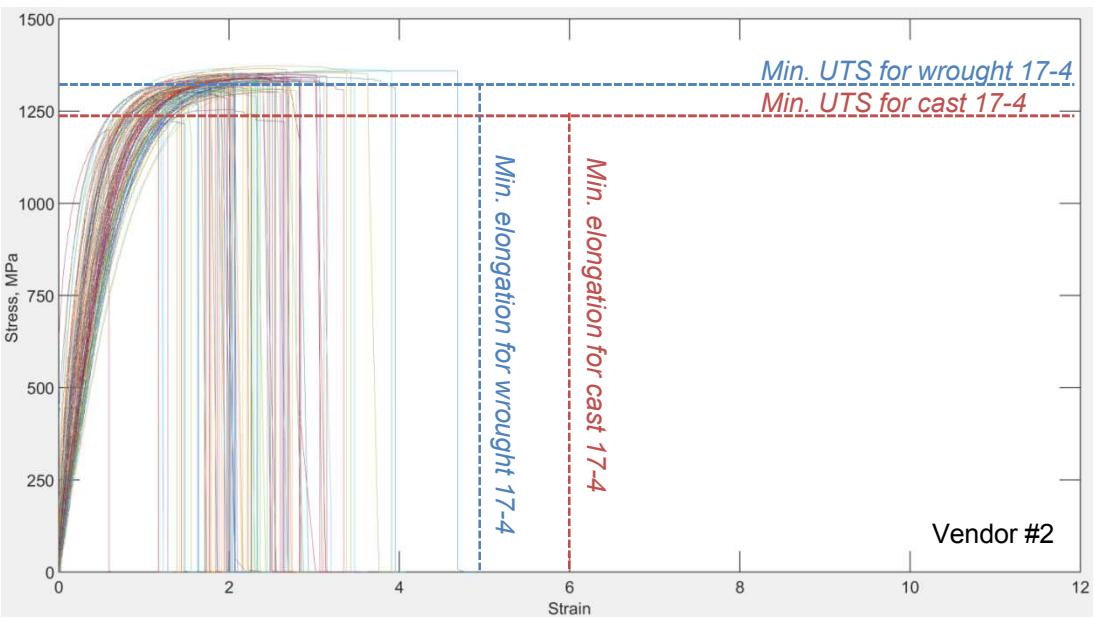
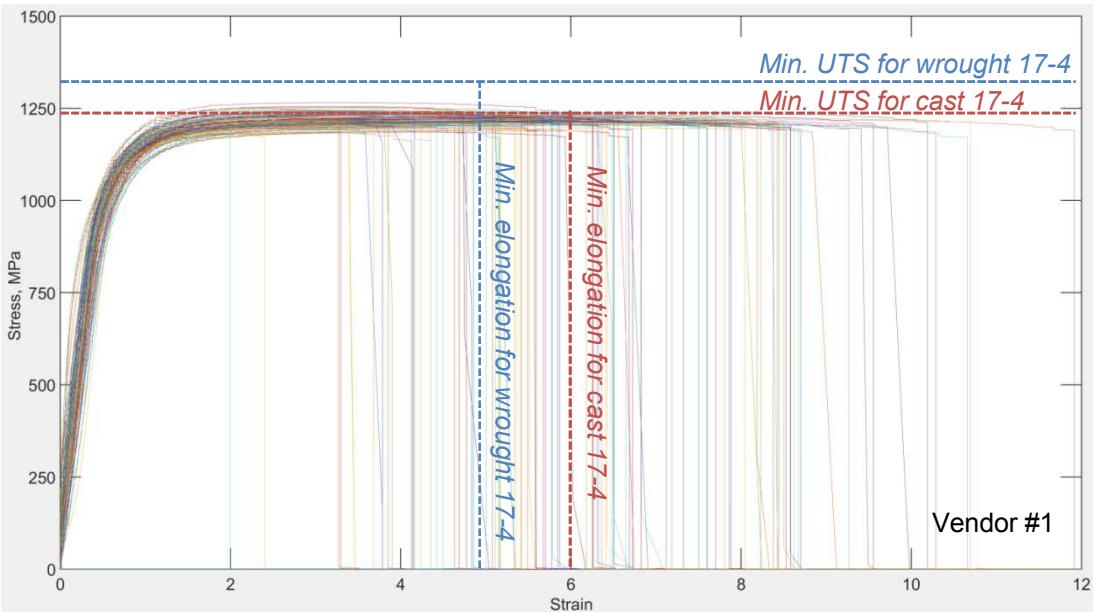
Tensile Testing

- Characterizing stochastics
 - ***large sample sets***
 - ***high throughput***
 - approaching 100/hr
 - custom dogbone test sample
 - follows ASTM guidelines
 - using digital image correlation (DIC)
 - off-line analysis
- Initial testing
 - 0.4, 1.0, 2.5 mm square gage sections
 - “constant” build process from two vendors
 - vertical build orientation
 - individual part locations tracked
 - exploring heat treatment, build orientation & process parameters



Tensile Data

- Two vendor sets
 - 104 samples each
 - H900 heat treatment
 - Vendor #1
 - bead blasted
 - Vendor #2
 - no bead blasting
- Observations
 - vendor differences
 - strength & ductility variations
 - AM vs. wrought / cast

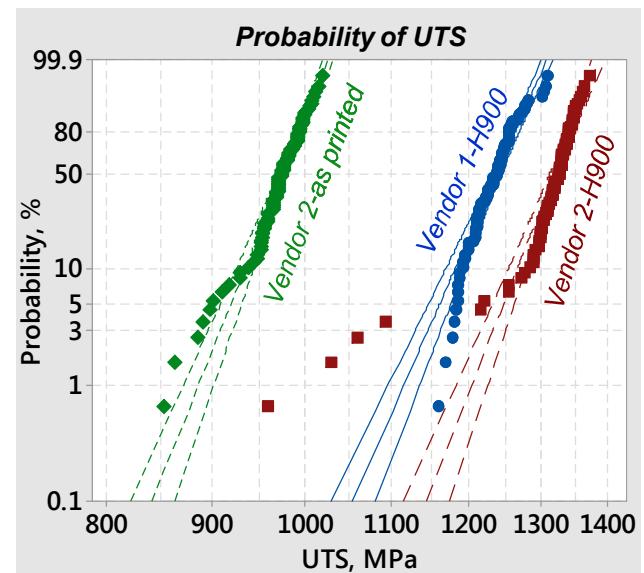
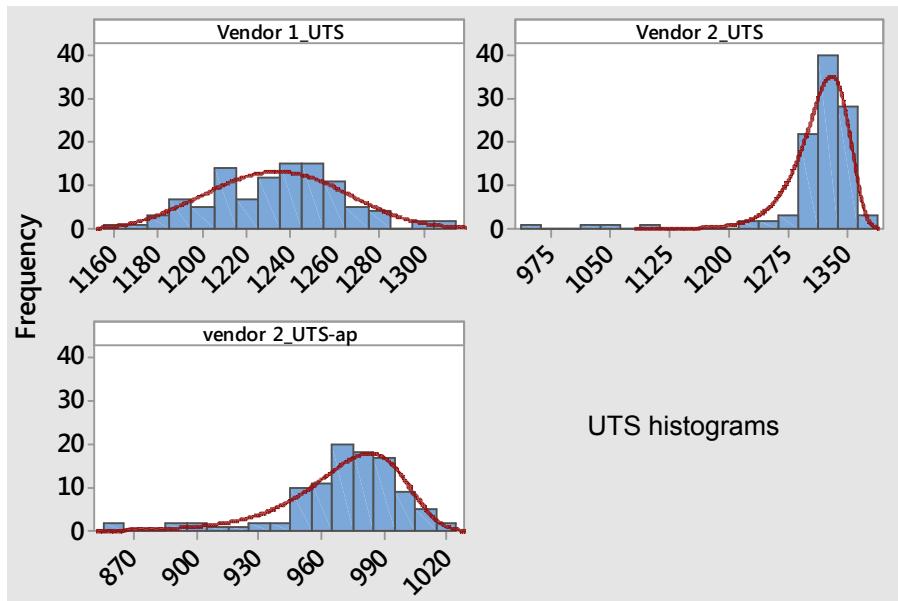


Material Distributions

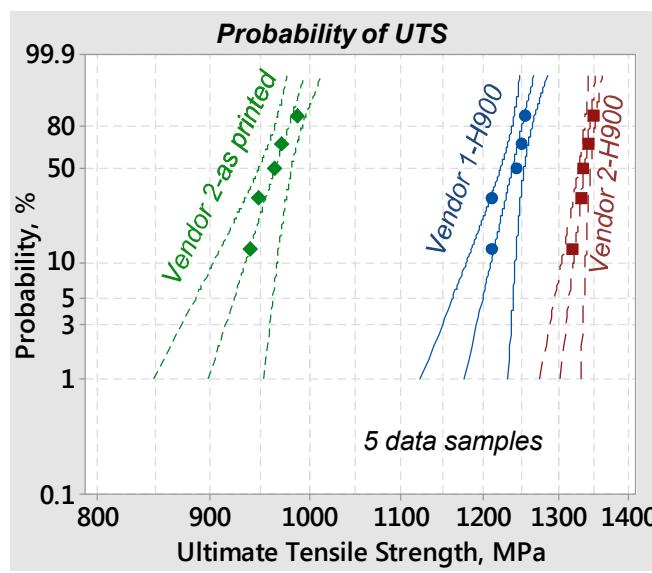
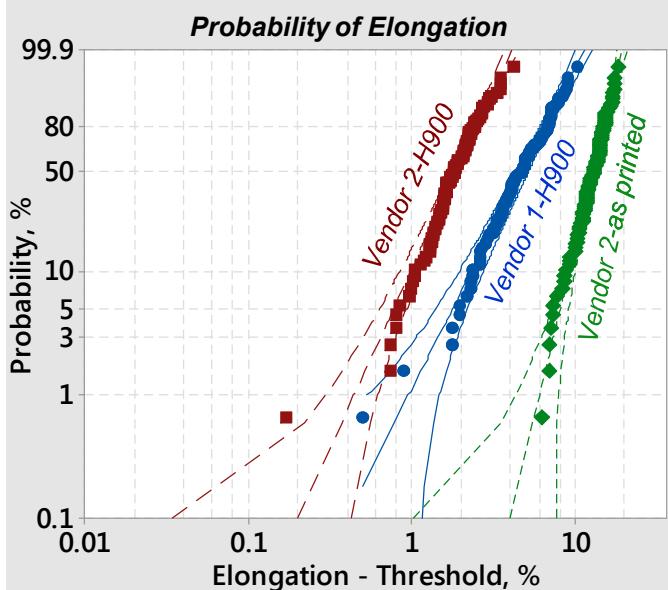
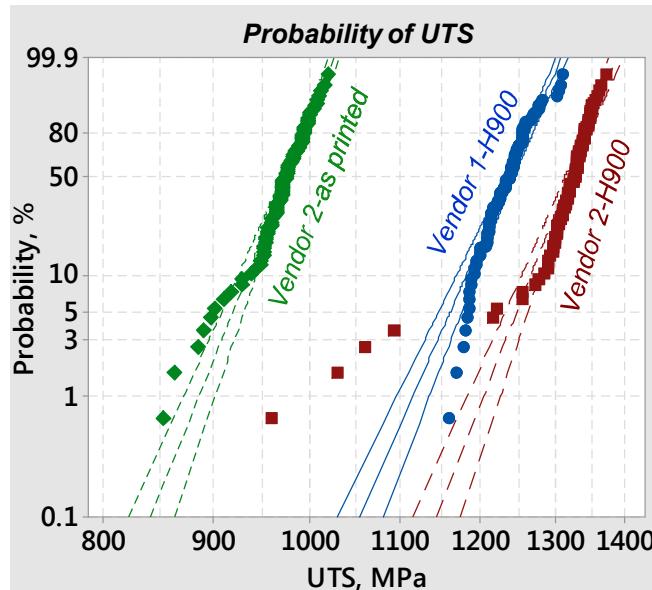
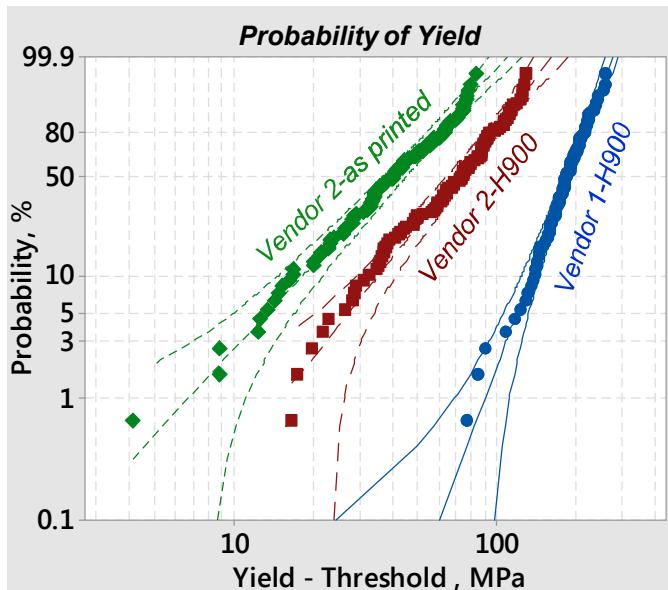
- Data variation suggests defect dominated failure
 - Similar to ceramics, castings
- Weibull distributions prove appropriate

$$\log \left(\log \left(\frac{1}{1 - P} \right) \right) = m \cdot \log(\sigma) + \log \left(\frac{V \cdot \log(e)}{\sigma_o^m} \right)$$

- where
 - P = probability of failure at stress, σ
 - m = Weibull modulus, i.e. scatter
 - V = material volume
 - σ_o = strength for which $P = 0$

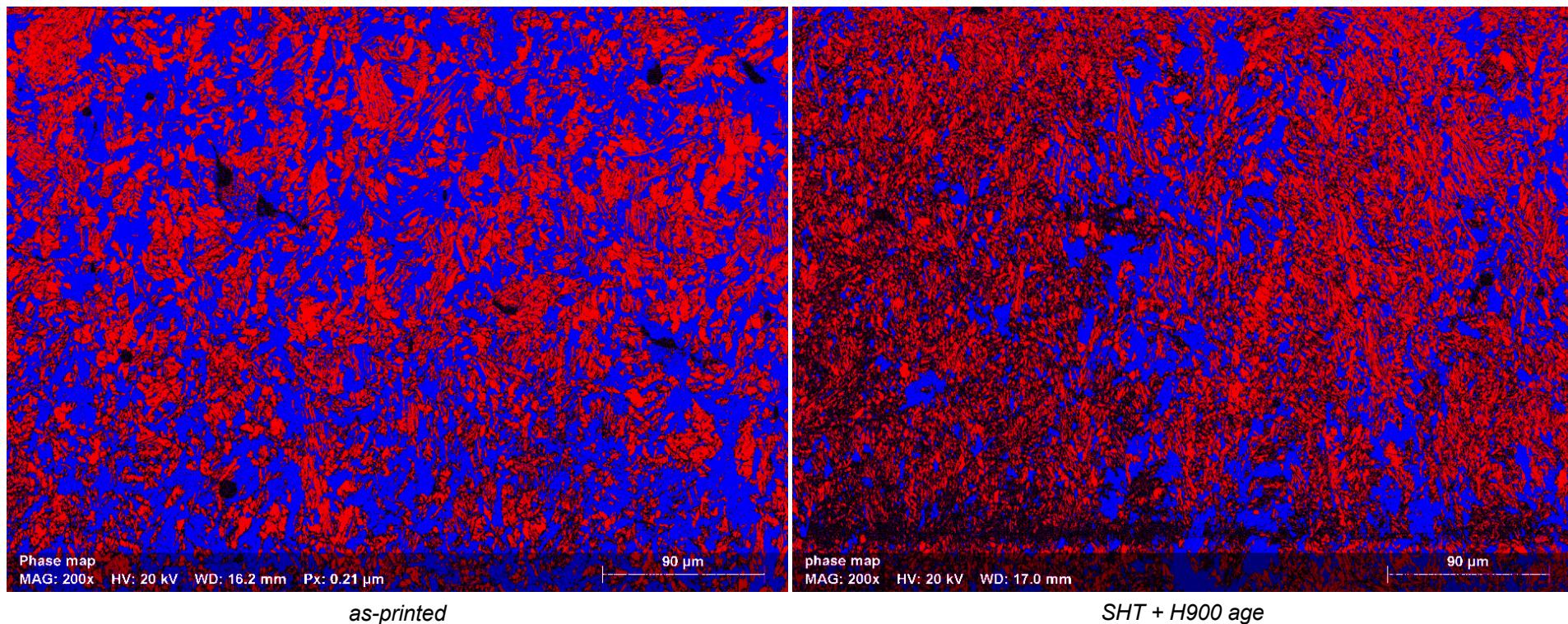


Material Distributions



Why Higher Strength for Vendor #2?

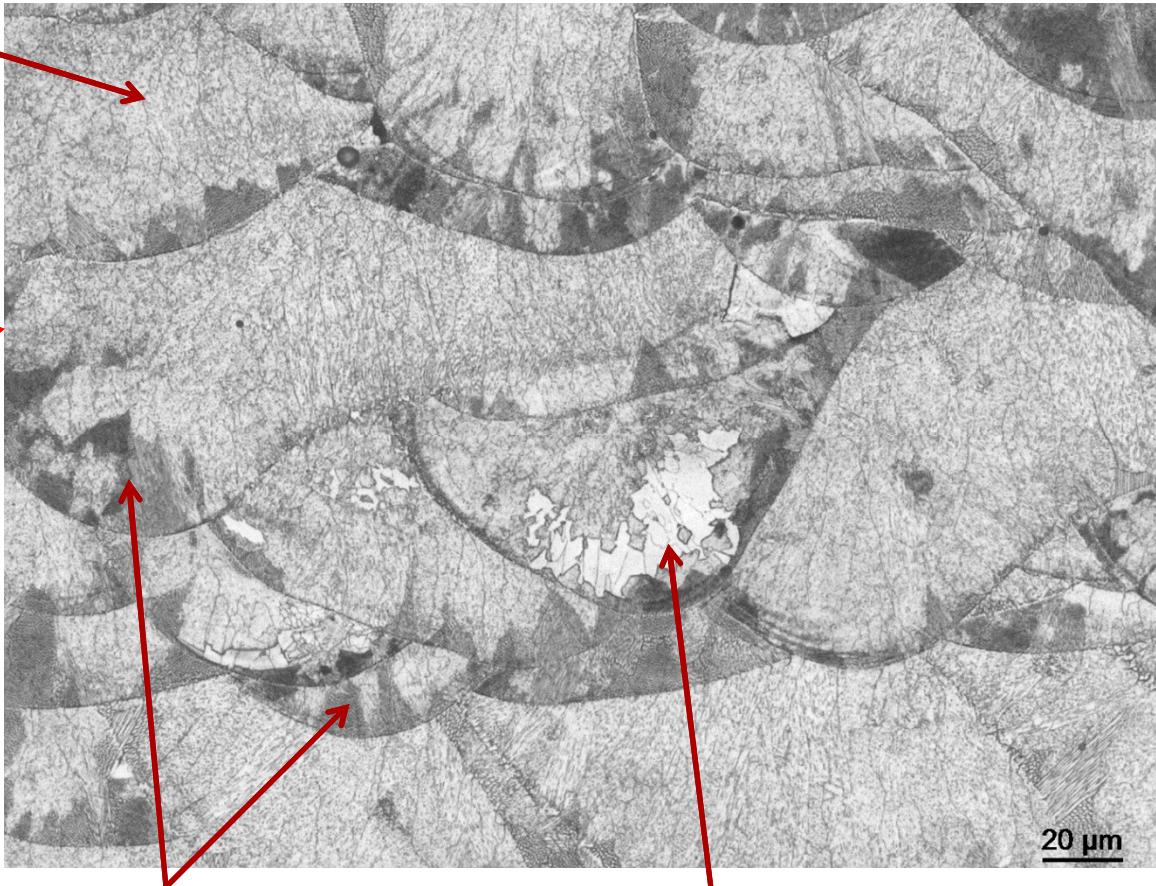
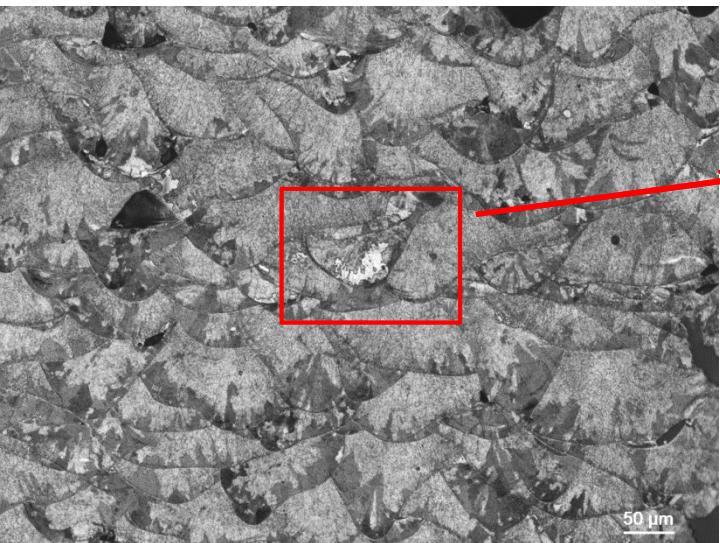
- Large fraction of retained austenite exists after solution heat treatment + H900 age
- Conventionally processed 17-4 PH H900 should contain effectively no retained austenite



Etched Vendor #2 AM 17-4 PH microstructure reveals unexpected solidification features

Build Direction
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Solidification proceeded as primary ferrite—this is the expected mode for 17-4 PH

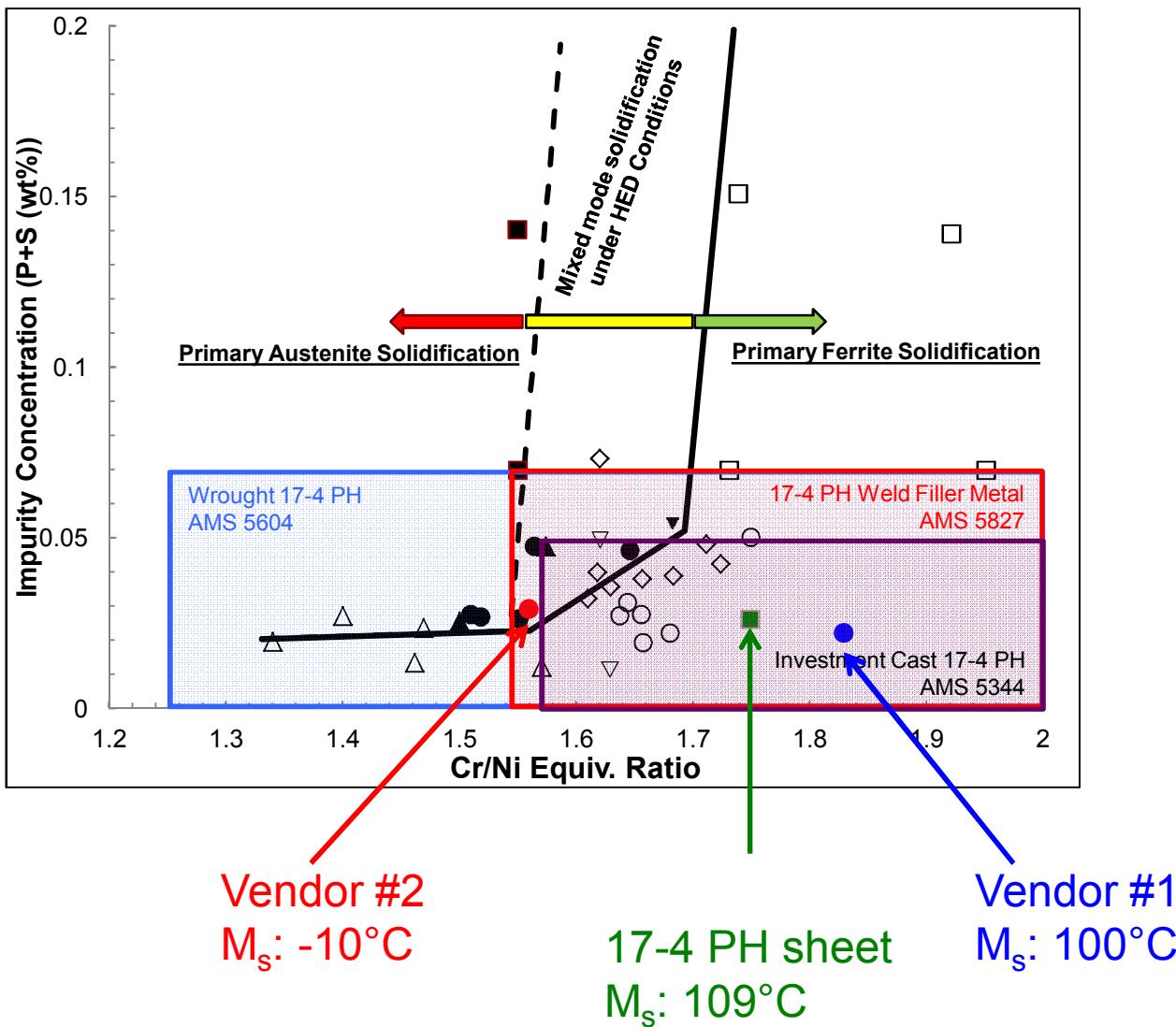


Solidification proceeded as primary austenite—**this is NOT the expected mode for 17-4 PH**

Highly Al-rich region; likely contamination

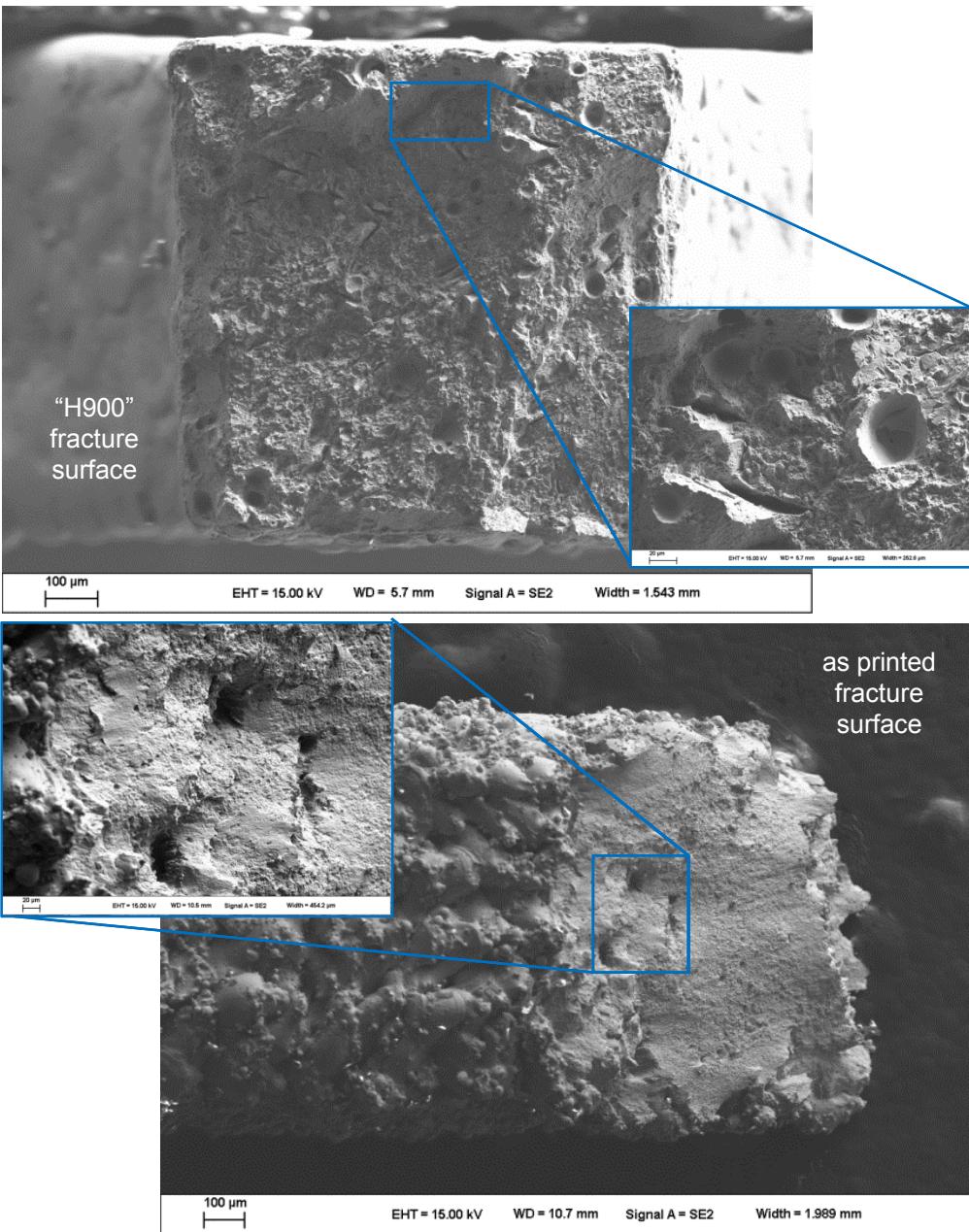
- Unusual mixed-mode solidification observed in Vendor #2 as-printed

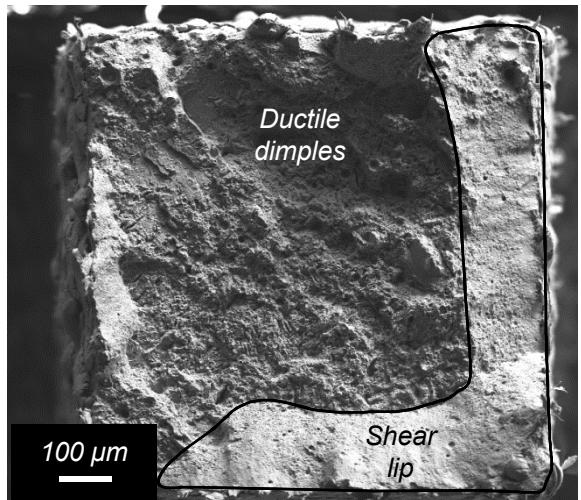
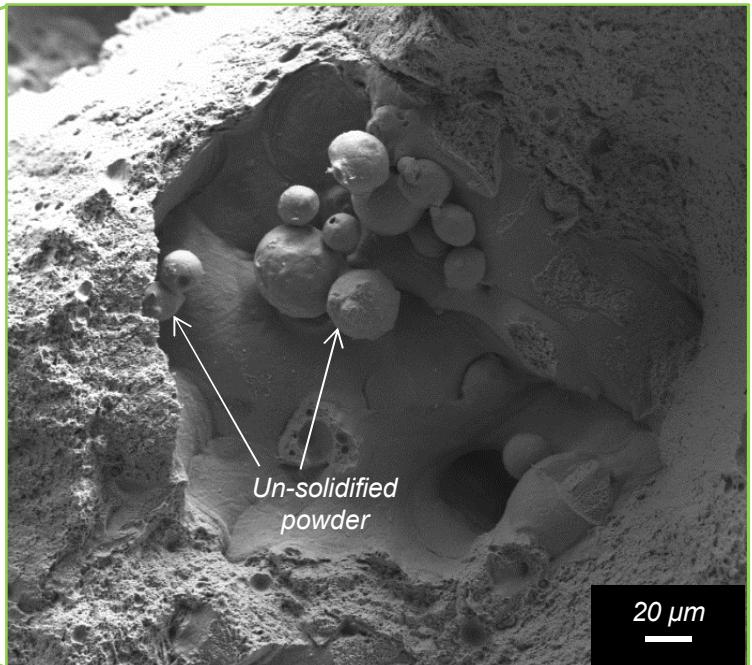
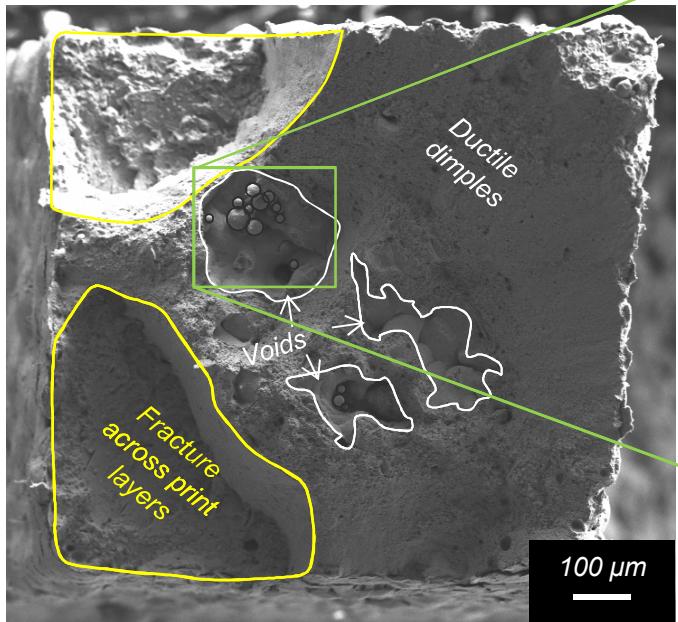
Compositional analysis of AM 17-4 PH shows high austenite stability and propensity for primary austenite solidification for Vendor #2 builds



Fractures Suggest Defect Dominated Failure

- “H900”
 - limited area reduction consistent w/“brittle” behavior
 - no clear point of crack nucleation
 - voids at lack-of-fusion boundaries are likely culprits
- As printed
 - modest reduction in area
 - surface consistent w/shear-lip tensile failure
 - fine ductile dimples & planes of shear rupture are present
 - spherical particles & voids again suggest lack-of-fusion boundaries as nucleation sites





failure at 12% elongation, Vendor 1

QUESTIONS?

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