

Assessment of a UQ Approach for Handling Sparse Samples of Discrete Random Functions (Material Stress-Strain Curves)¹

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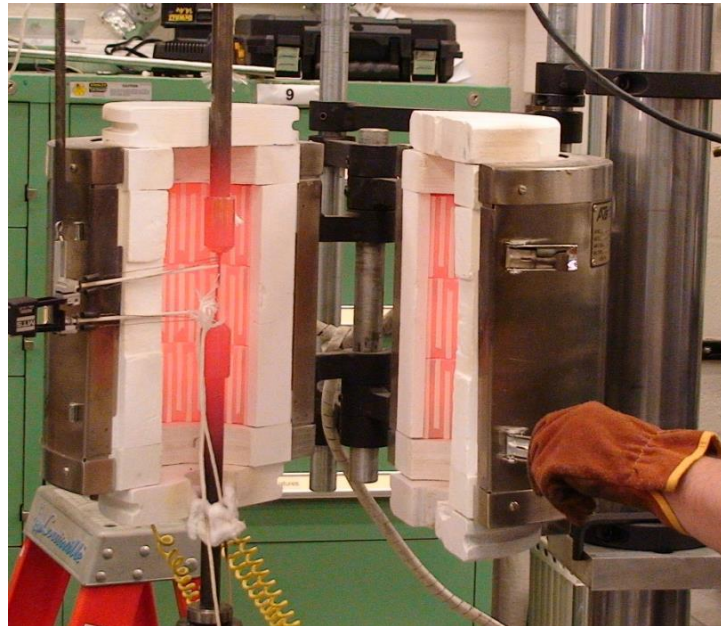
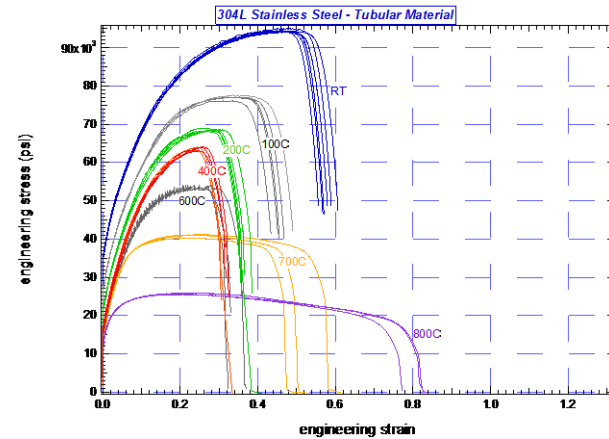
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The Issue:

Material Response Variability in Stress-Strain Curves from replicate Tension Tests

- Results at various temperatures

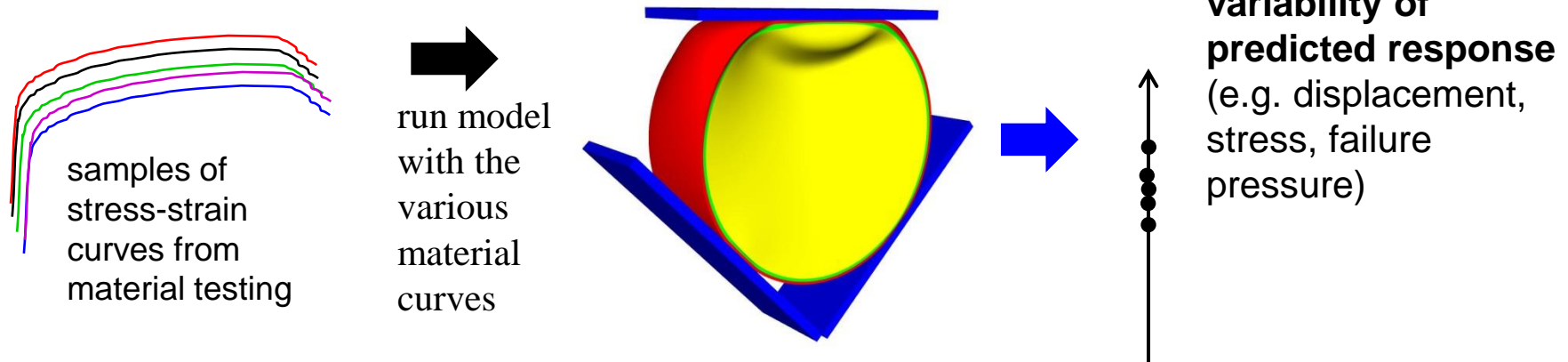


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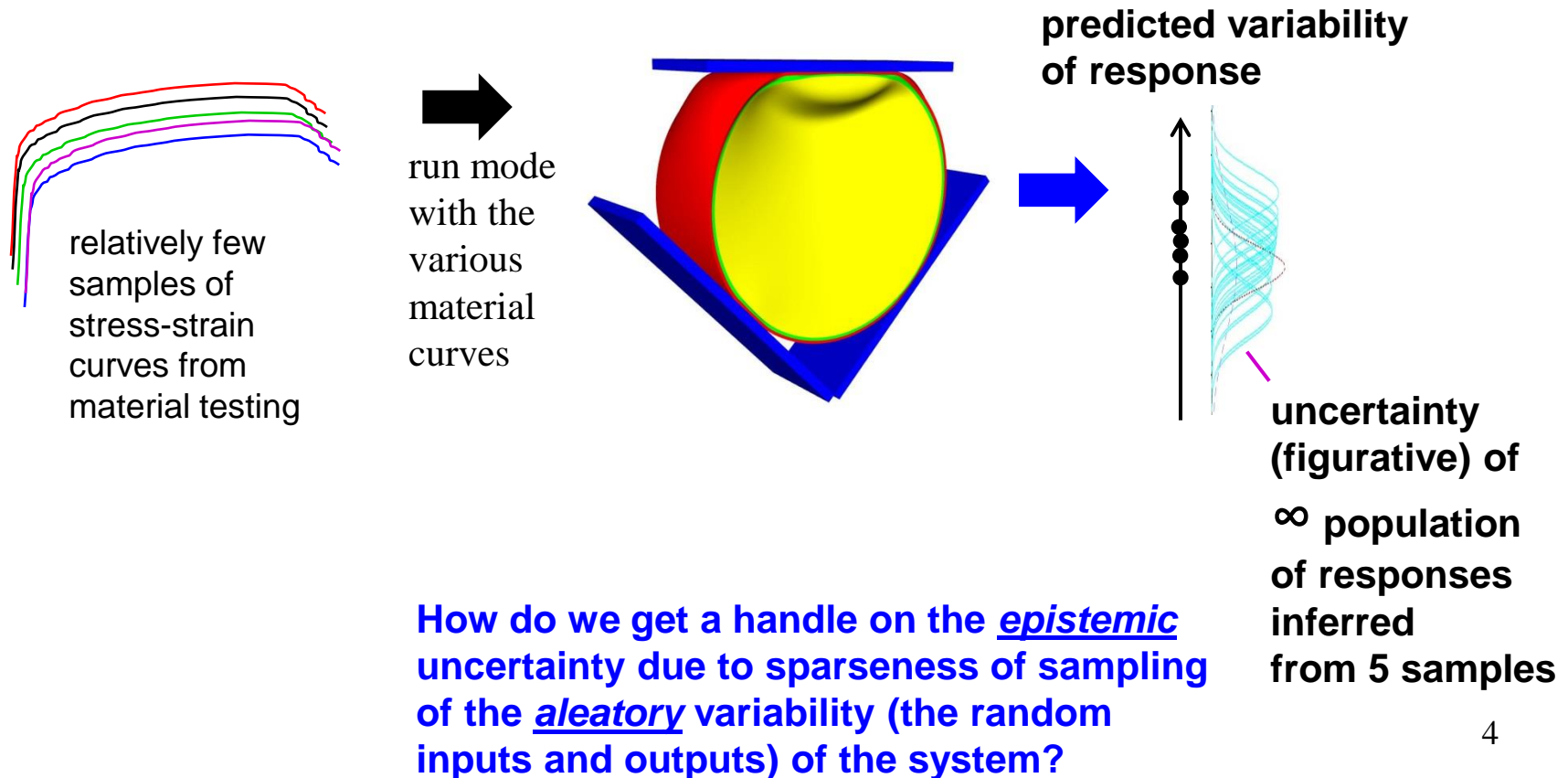
The Issue:

Variability of Predicted Response due to Material Curve Variability



The Issue:

Error/Uncertainty of Inferred Population of Responses from propagating relatively few Material Curves



Simplified UQ Objective

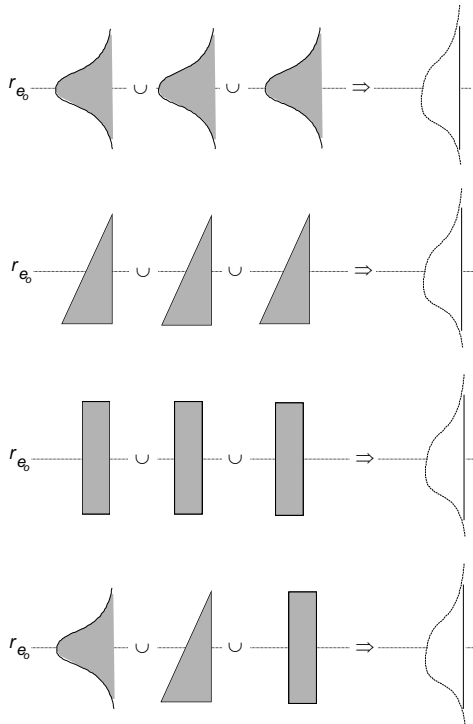
- A view is taken that:
 - One should not try to do the impossible (accurate estimation of the PDF from which the sparse samples come)
 - Rather, a pragmatic goal is that the uncertainty representation should be **conservative**, e.g. bound the .025 – 0.975 percentile range of the PDF from which the samples come
 - An opposing goal (making this a difficult **MiniMax problem**) is that the uncertainty representation should **not be overly conservative**—i.e., should minimally over-estimate the desired percentile range of the true PDF.

Related Problem previously studied:

- Sparse Samples from popular PDF types,
Assess Sparse-Data UQ Methods



- 5 methods
assessed on
21 test problems



- 1000 trials of each method for fitting sample data from each of:
 - normal PDF
 - right-triangular PDF
 - uniform PDF
 - 4 different convolutions of these PDF types (figure at left) acting as *three equally dominant* sources of random uncertainty in a linear system.
- Answer question: does the presence of multiple sources of uncertainty smooth or mitigate the errors in representing the individual PDFs?

- Fit the data for three sets of sample sizes:
 $n = 2, 8, 32$ for each PDF

A Comparison of Methods for Representing Sparsely Sampled Random Quantities – More Results

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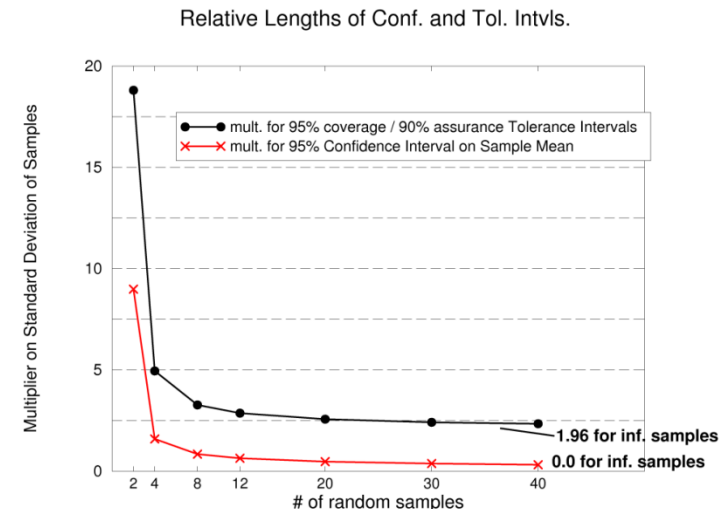
Classical statistical Tolerance Intervals found to offer the best balance of ease and effectiveness

- **Tolerance Interval Approach**

- calculate the standard deviation σ_i of the data
- multiply σ_i by appropriate factor f from statistical tables
- create interval bars of extent $f\sigma_i$ about the mean μ_i of the data: $\mu_i \pm f\sigma_i$
- 0.90/0.95 Tolerance Intervals — the factors f here correspond to approximate 90% reliability or odds that the produced tolerance interval encompasses the central 95-percentile range between the 0.025 and 0.975 percentiles of the true PDF

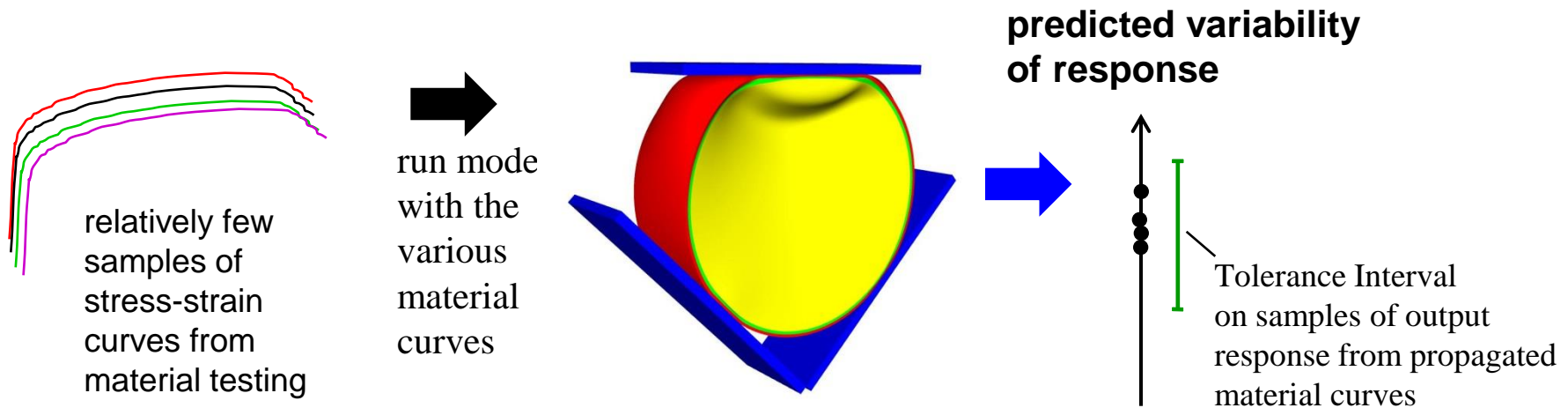
# samples	$f_{0.9/0.95}$
2	18.80
4	4.94
8	3.26
12	2.86
20	2.56
30	2.41
40	2.33
∞	1.96

- **Very simple to use in practice**



Current Question:

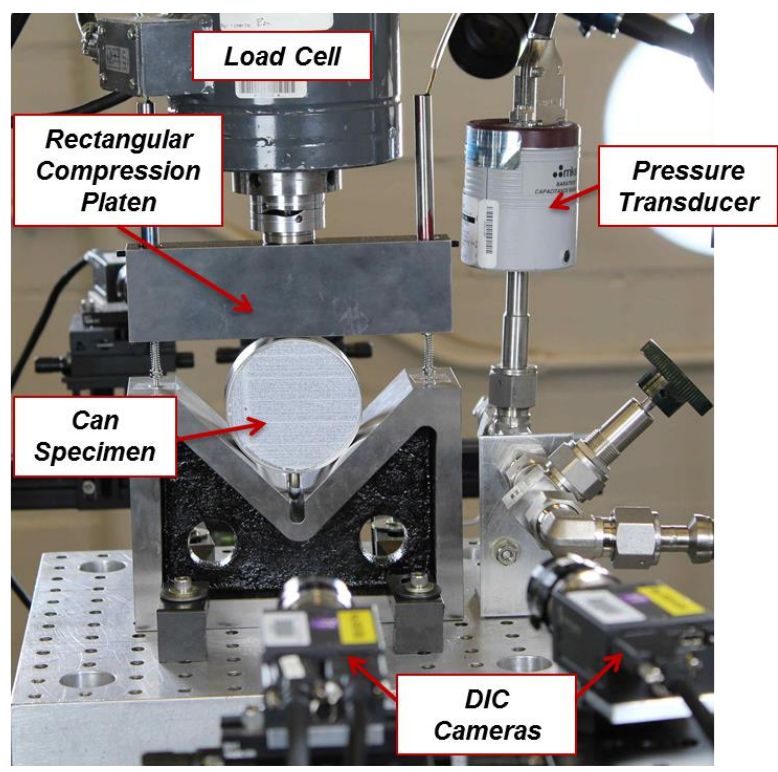
How well do Tolerance Intervals work for highly nonlinear Solid Mechanics and 4 input Stress-Strain curves from mtl. tests?



Can-Crush Model and Fixturing/Loading

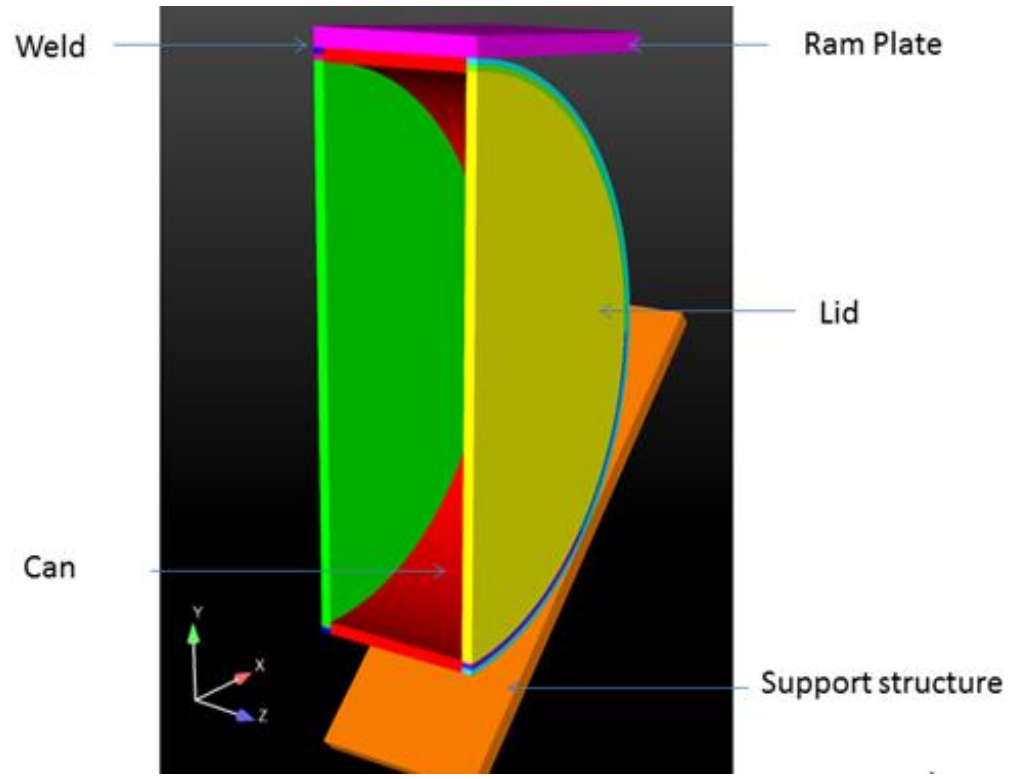


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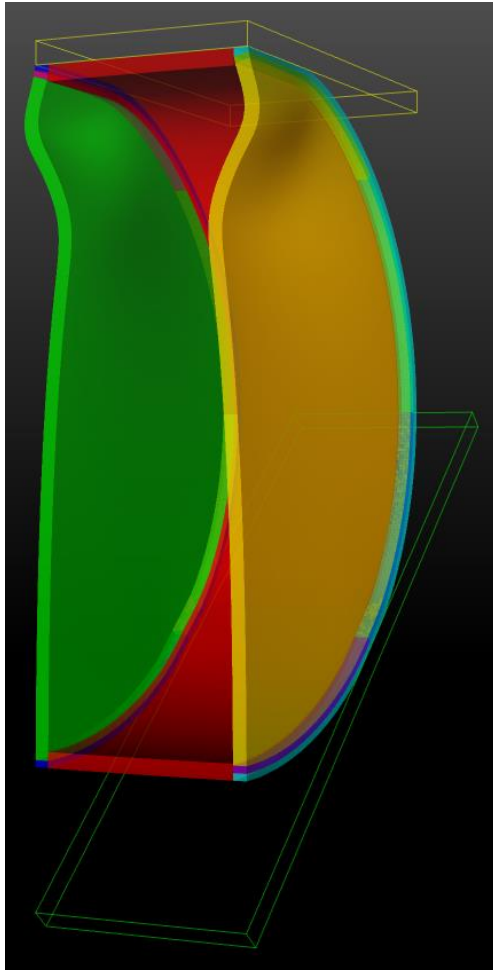
Modified Can Crush Test Setup

For present UQ study assign all parts the same steel material with synthetic σ - ϵ curves

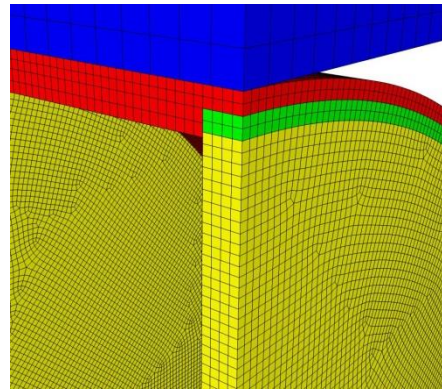


Component	Material	Dimensions	No. Elements	No. thru thickness
Ram Plate	Rigid	1" wide x 0.1" tk	1200	2
Wedge	Rigid	1" wide x 0.1" tk	2400	2
Lid	304L SSTL	3" dia x .062" tk	117264	4
Can	304L SSTL	3" dia x 1" wide x .067" tk	74400	4
Weld	304L SSTL	3" dia. x .03" wide x .062" tk	4800	2x4

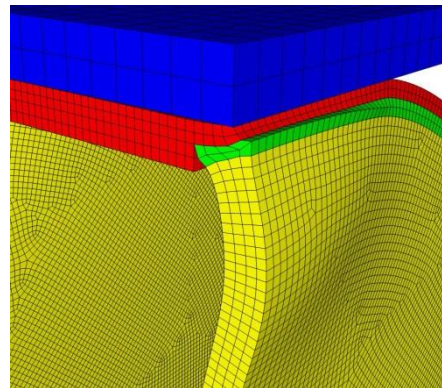
Crushing-Ram Constant Advance Rate and Resulting Resistance from Can



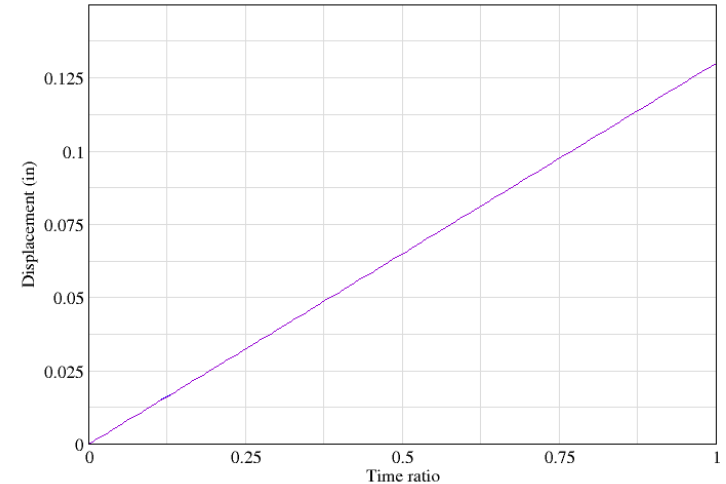
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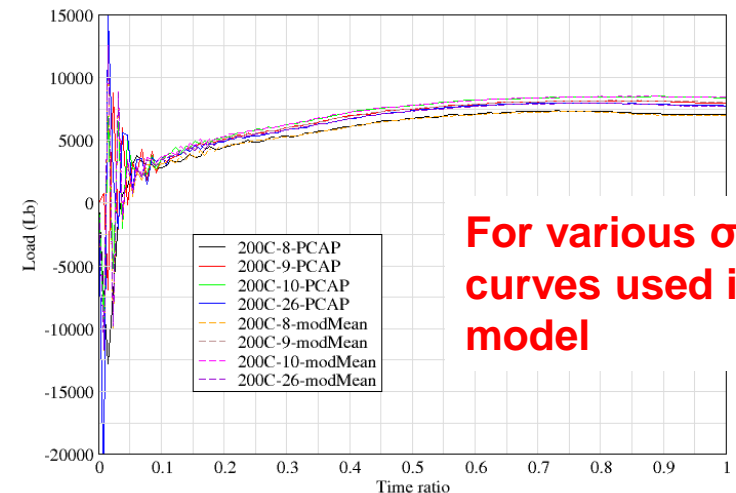
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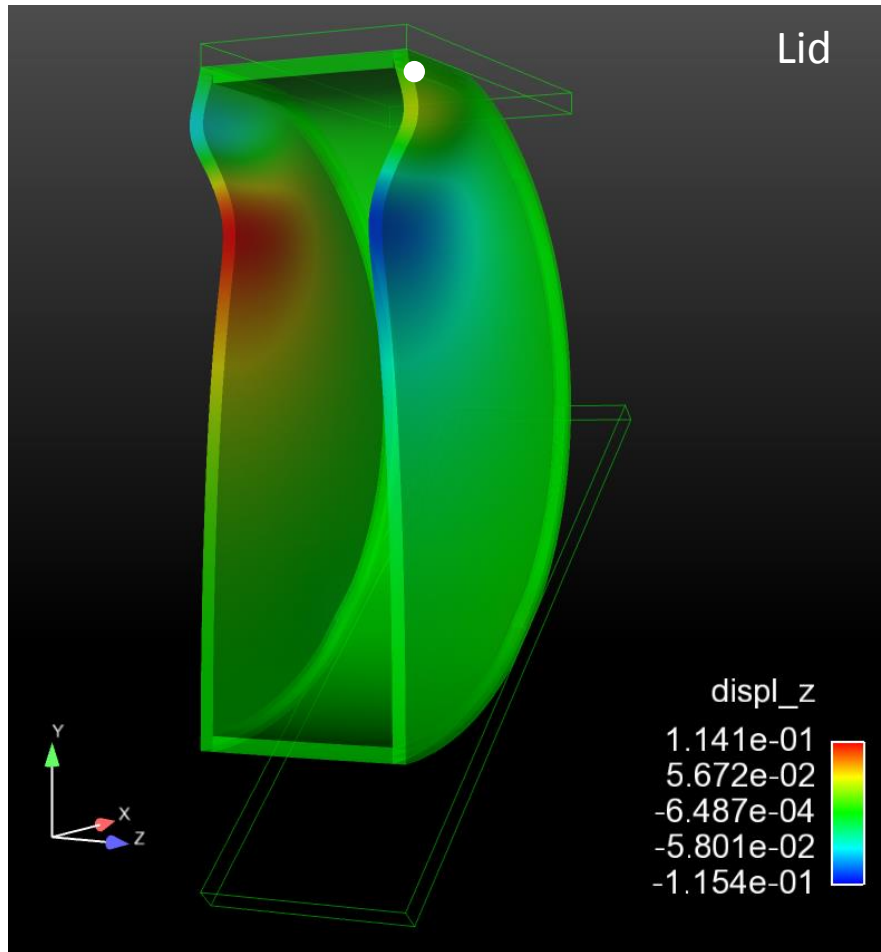
Ram Displacement



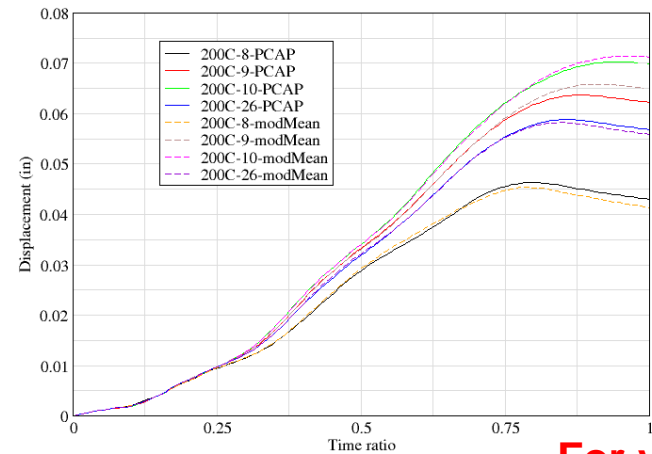
Ram Load



Displacement output locations

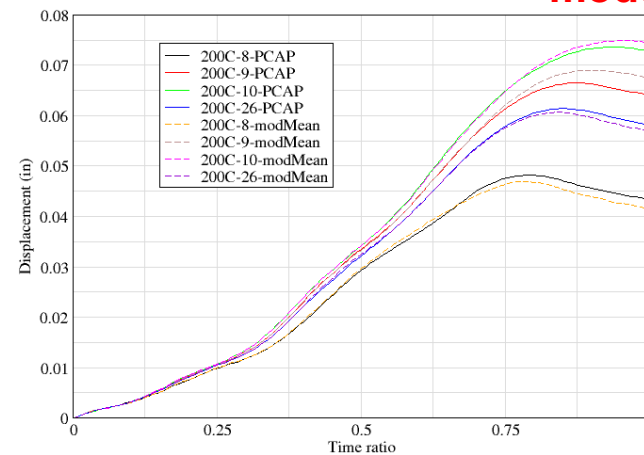


Displacement Lid Buckle Node

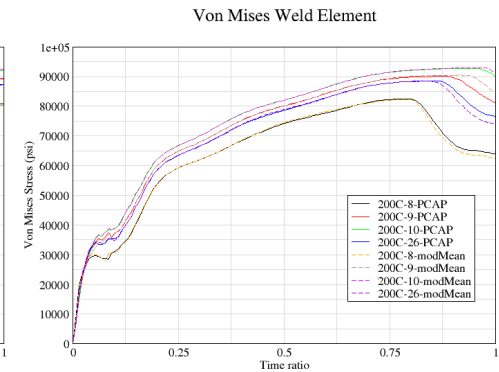
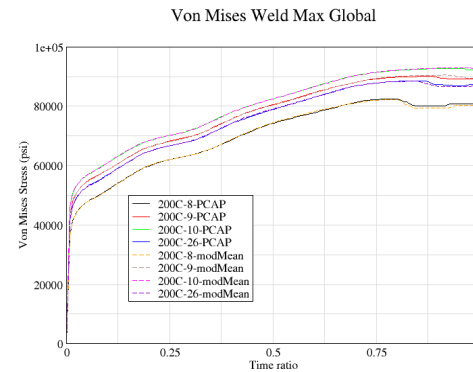
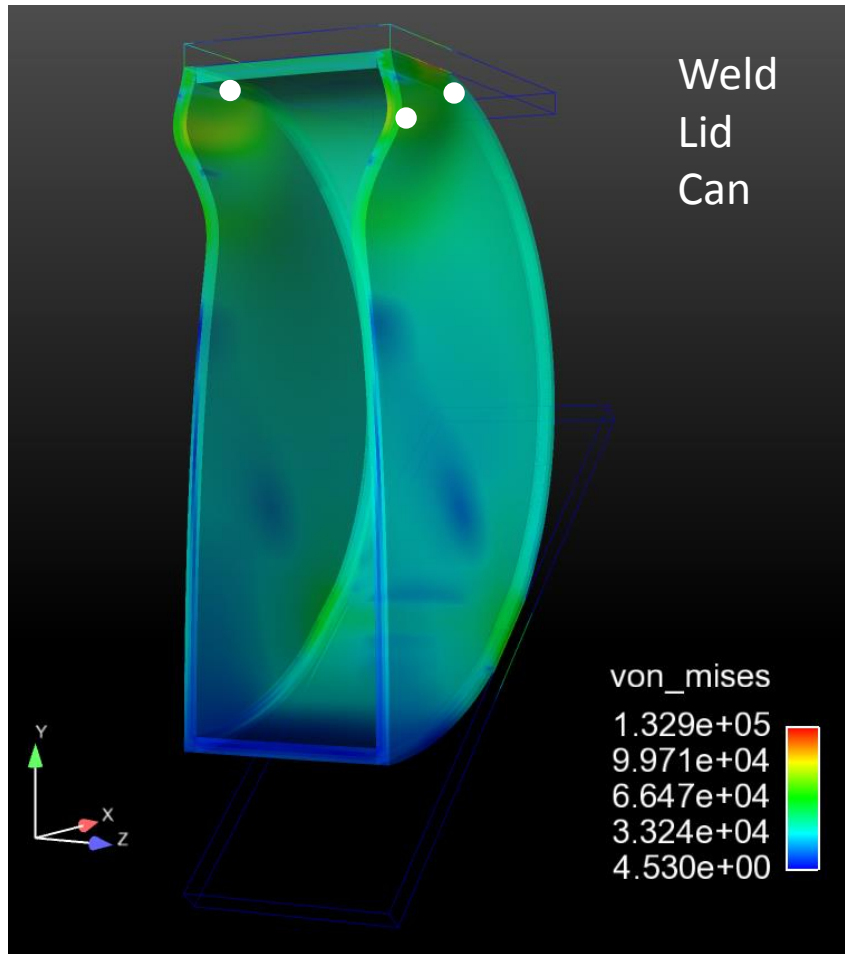


For various σ - ϵ curves used in model

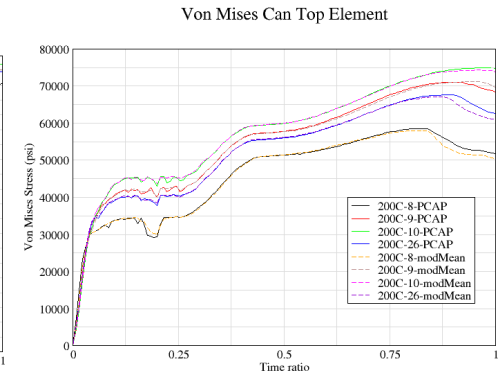
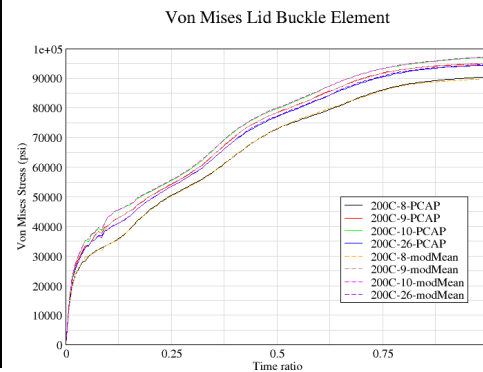
Displacement Lid Max Global



Von Mises Stress output locations

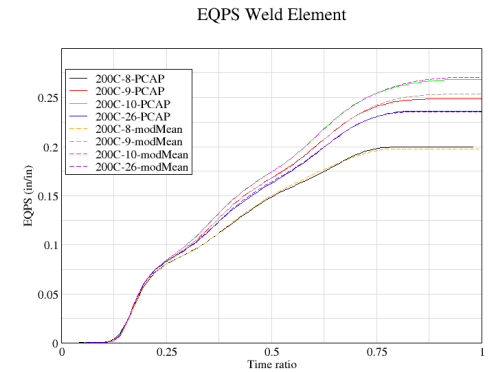
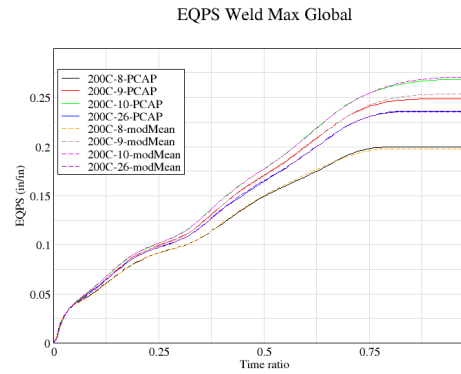
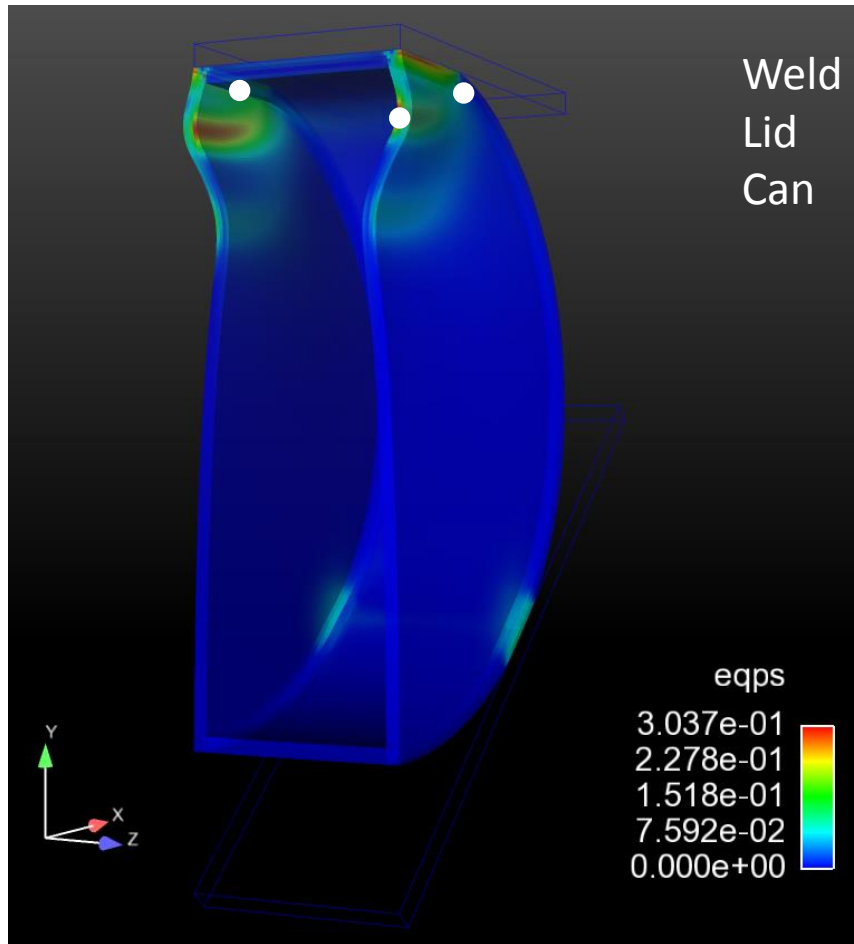


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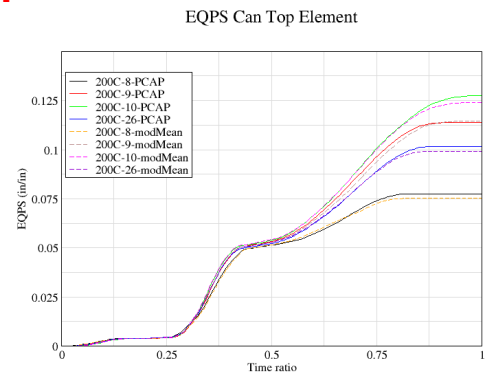
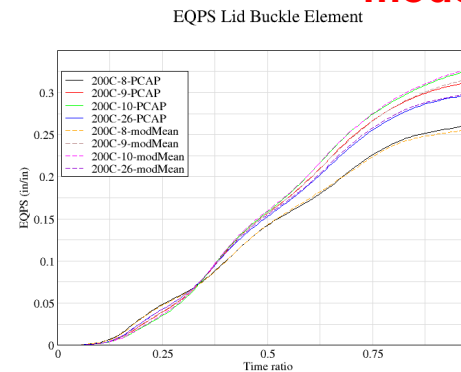


Equivalent Plastic Strain (EQPS)

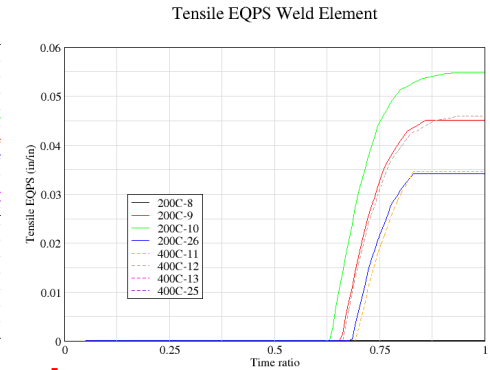
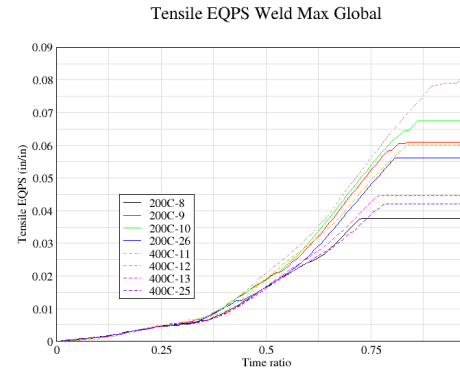
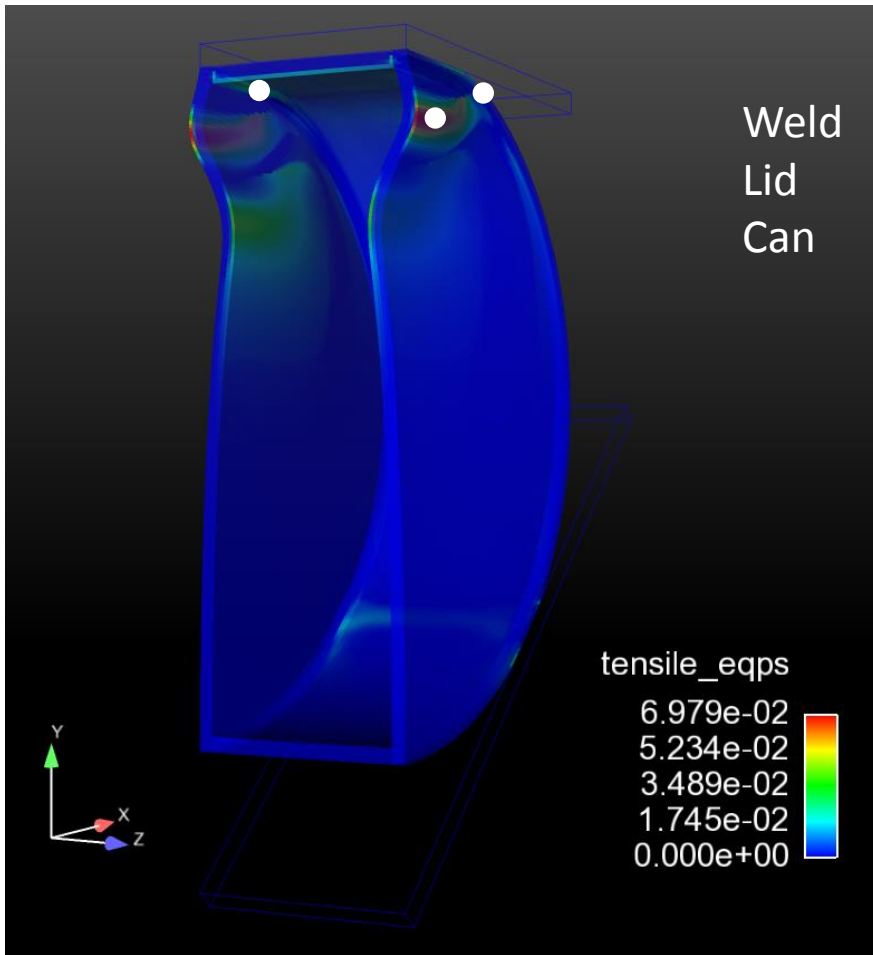
Output Locations



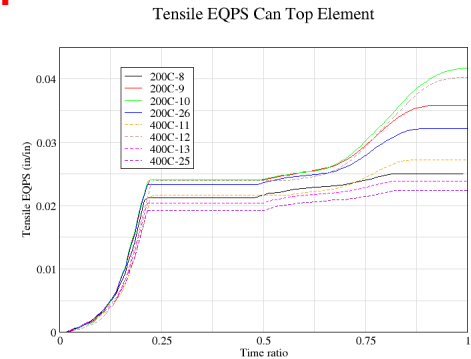
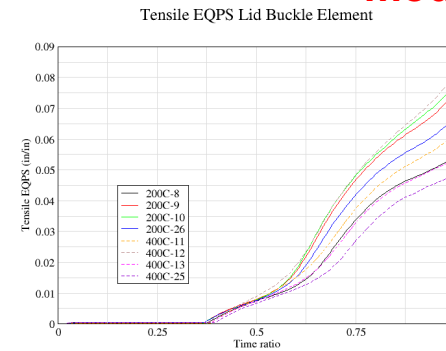
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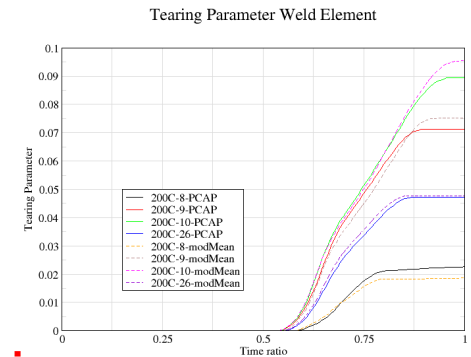
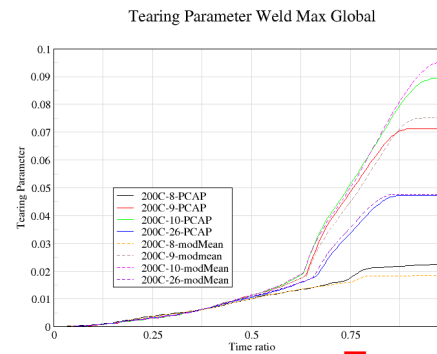
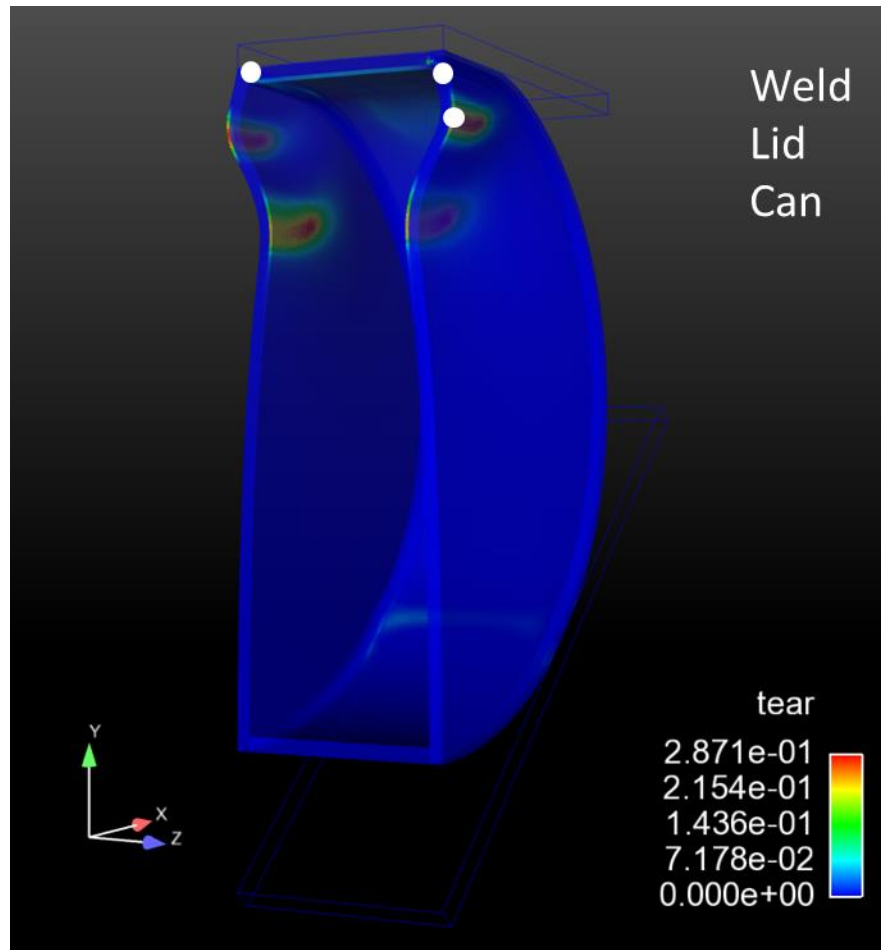
Tensile EQPS output locations



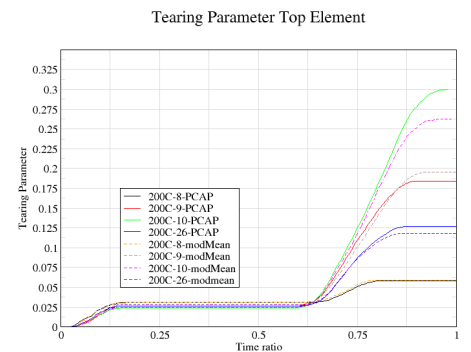
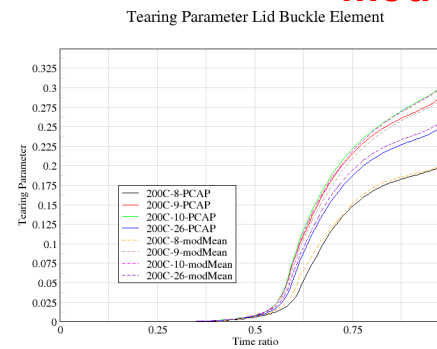
**For various σ - ϵ
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Tearing Parameter output locations



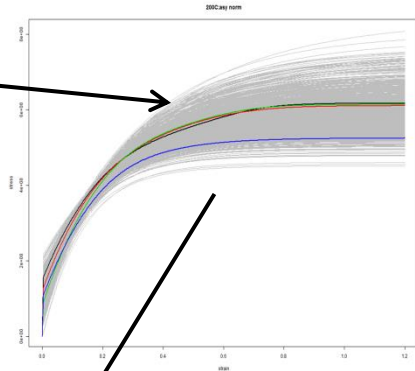
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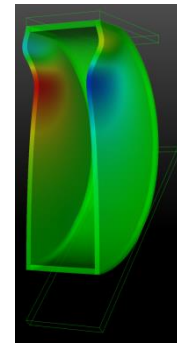
Computational Experiments

(PDFs of Response are Non-Standard and Unknown A-Priori)

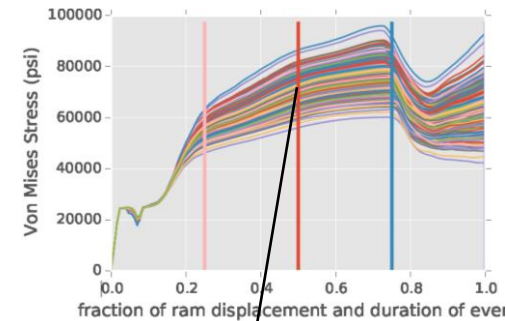
1) Generate 1000 synthetic stress-strain curves from Bayesian UQ on 2-parameter power-law fits to 4 actual stress-strain curves from tests



2) Run model for all 1000 synthetic stress-strain curves

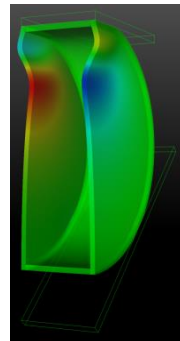


output Q.O.I. (1000 realizations)



5) select four synthetic stress-strain curves at random

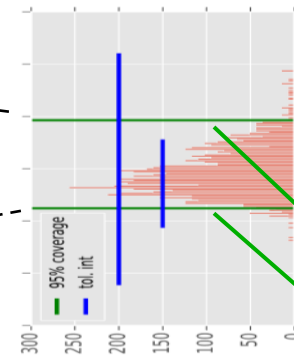
6) run model with the four synthetic curves



7) create 0.90/0.95 Tol. Intvl. from model output results



8) compare TI endpoints against exact percentiles

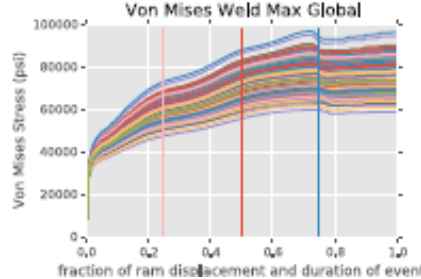
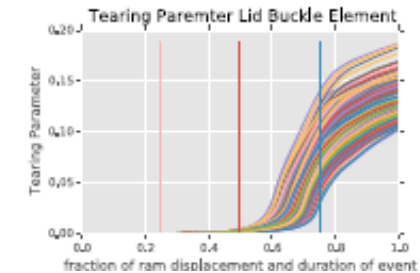
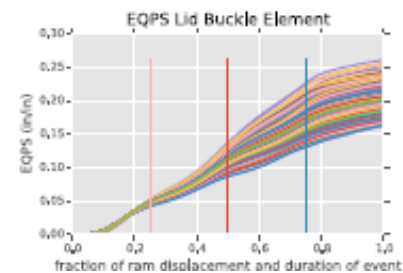
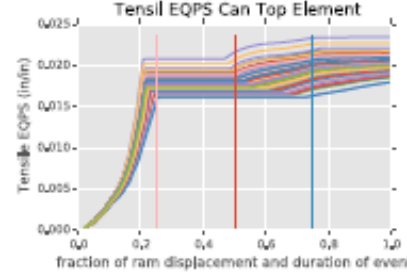
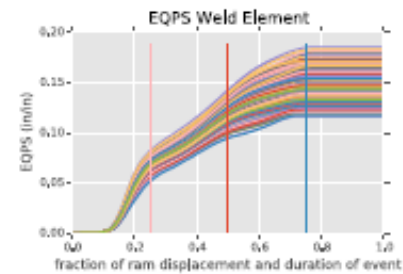
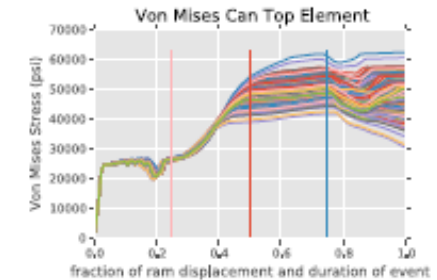
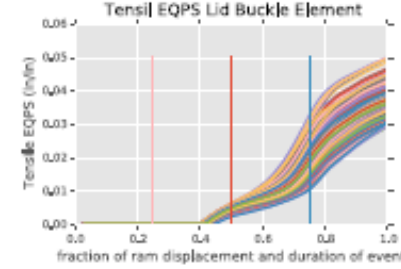
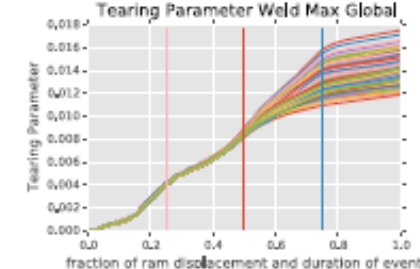
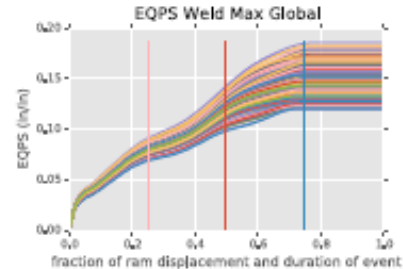
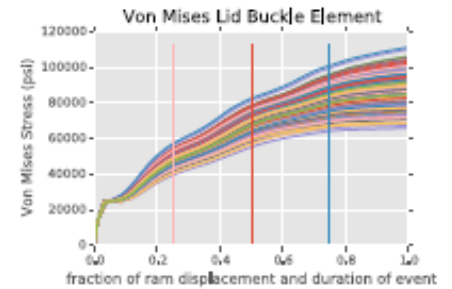
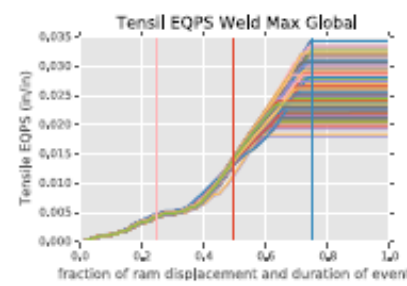
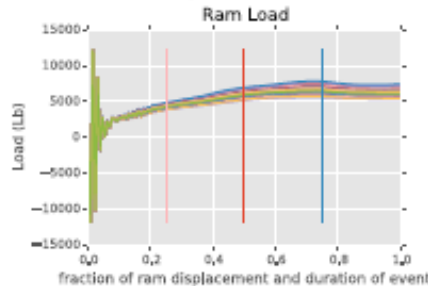
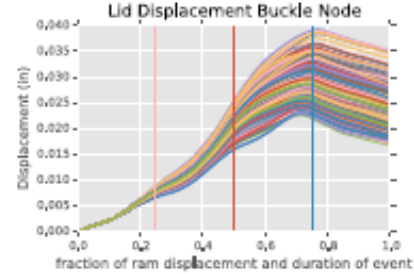
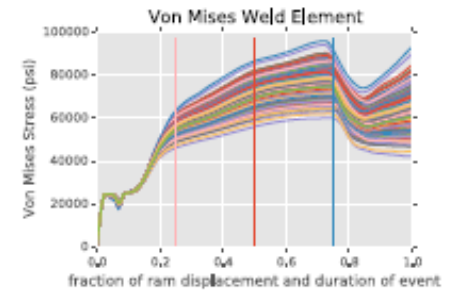
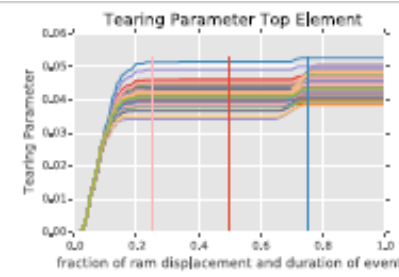
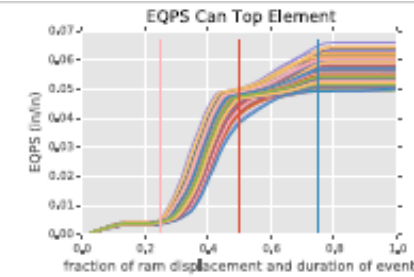
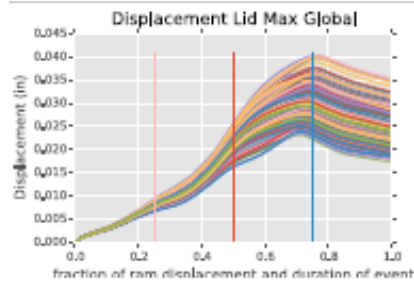


3) Histogram of 1000 results at time-fraction 0.5

4) 0.025 and 0.975 "exact" percentiles of response from 1000 results

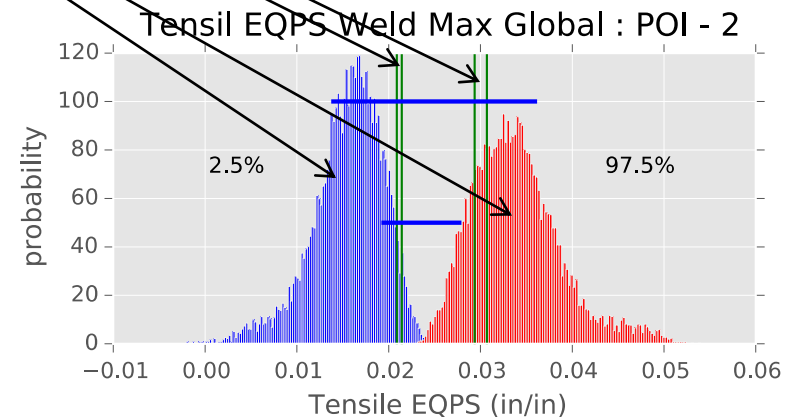
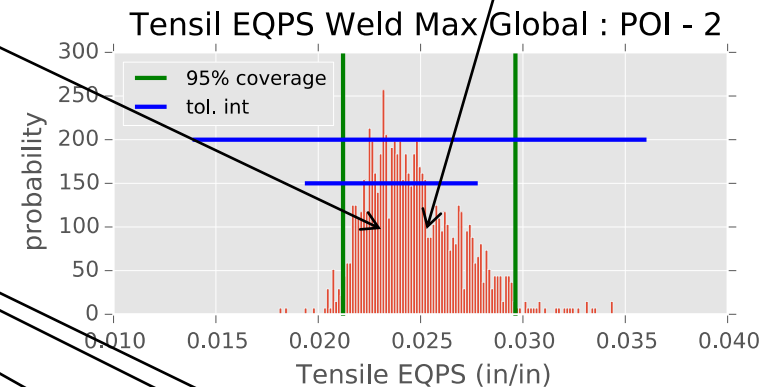
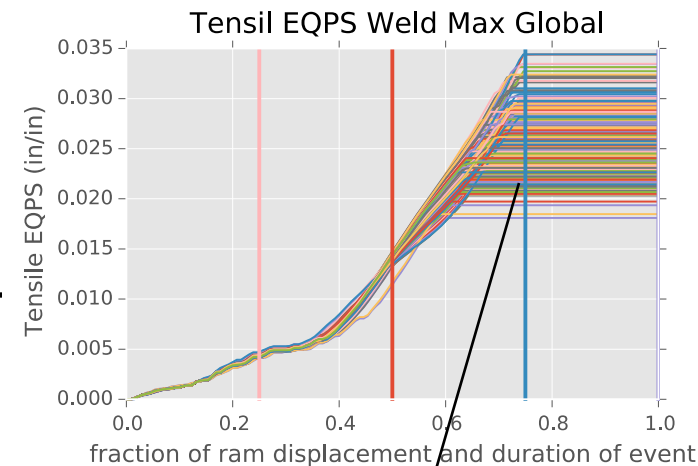
9) do steps 5 – 8 many times (10,000 random trials) to establish reliability rate of TI success in encompassing true 0.025 - 0.975 percentile range

- 18 output quantities
- 4 time stations each
- = 72 QOIs (quant. of int.)



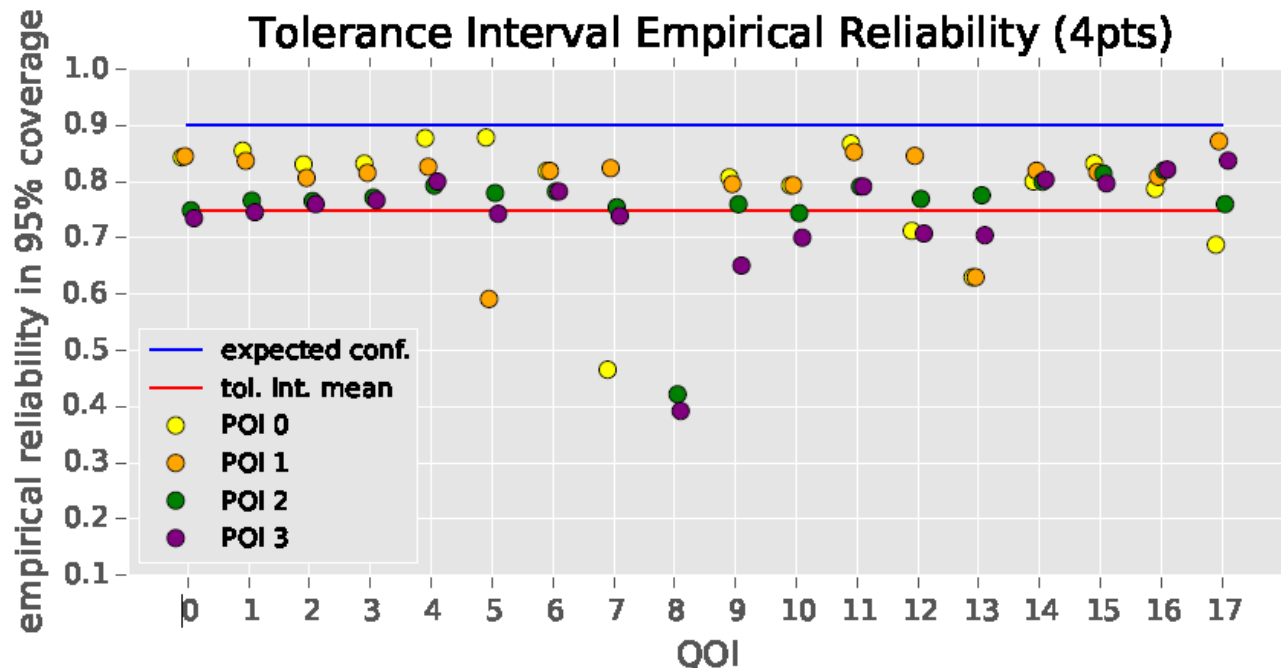
Tol. Intvl. Performance Characterization

- For each QOI the 1,000 results are characterized as a histogram
- The 0.025 and 0.975 quantiles of the histogram are identified as reference “true” values (within small error, see last bullet)
- TI success rate determined from 10K trials of 4 randomly selected input σ - ϵ curves and their QOI results & corresponding 0.9/0.95 TIs. How often do the constructed TIs cover “true” 0.025 - 0.975 range?
- Uncertainty on 95% coverage for 1,000 instances comprising the ensemble determined with non-parametric interval estimates $np \pm z\sqrt{np(1-p)}$



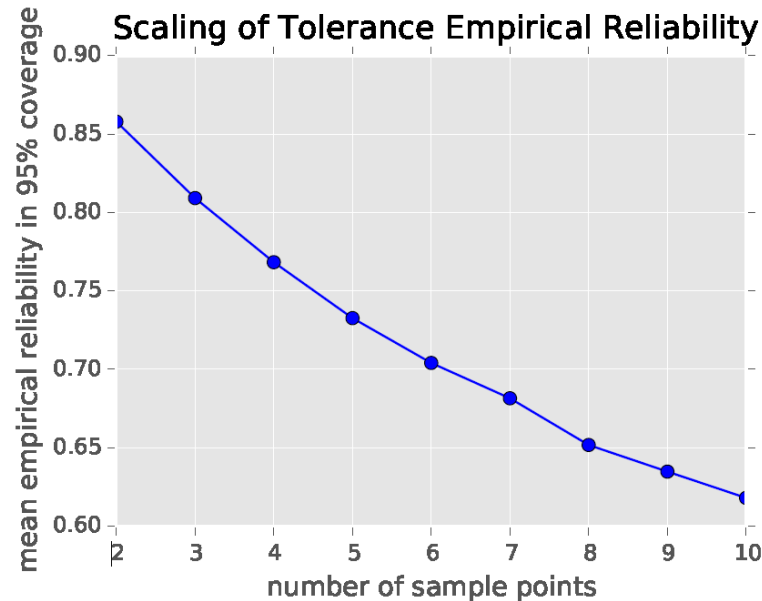
Tolerance Interval Empirical Reliability

(given four σ - ϵ material curves randomly selected)



- Always less than the “advertised” 90% reliability or confidence that the TIs will successfully cover the 0.025 – 0.975 range of response
- 75% empirical average TI reliability for four σ - ϵ curves (averaged over ~70 highly nonlinear solid mechanics response quantities and >700,000 trials)
- 70% - 85% successful coverage rate for most QOIs

0.9/0.95 TI Empirical Reliability vs. # of σ - ϵ curves



- TI reliability of successfully covering 0.025 – 0.975 range of response decreases significantly with # of σ - ϵ curves—but magnitudes of shortfall errors Δ_U and Δ_L decrease faster—more curves are better on average.



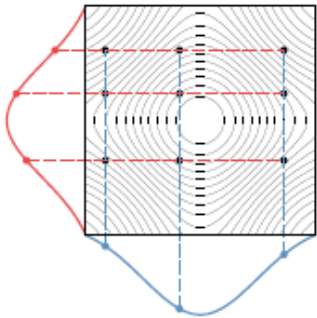
- >70% expected TI reliability in usual situation of ≤ 6 σ - ϵ curves

Conclusions

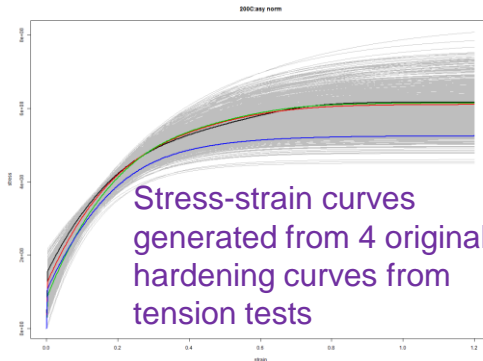
- **The proposed TI methodology is a simple way to manage risk of underestimating material behavior variability when only a small number of material characterization tests are available or affordable.**
- **The methodology is relatively affordable even with computationally expensive models.**
- **The Can-Crush study and results provide evidence that the TI methodology is reasonably reliable (>70% for ≤ 6 σ - ϵ curves) for providing conservative estimates of the true 0.025 – 0.975 range of response for a large variety of highly nonlinear solid mechanics QOI types, including:**
 - Von Mises stresses
 - displacements and resisting load
 - material damage quantities EQPS, Tensile EQPS, and Tearing Parameter

Next Steps: Assess Sparse-Data UQ Approaches for Multi-Material Solid Mechanics Problems, where only a few σ - ϵ curves exist for each material

2D random-variable analogue of sparse random-function problem with all possible combinations of input realizations shown. Continuous-variable analogue problem helped determine a more efficient UQ approach than the all-combinations of stress-strain curves approach previously taken.



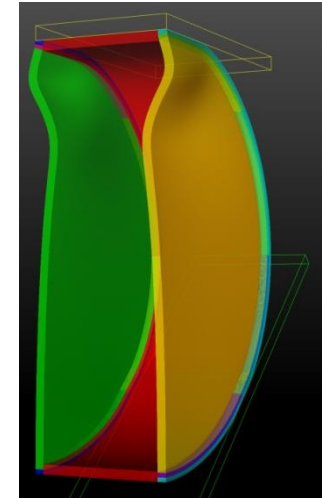
Simulated Annealing for Optimal Sampling Design



1 of 18 output quantities to be used to assess performance of sparse-data UQ method applied to can-crush test problem



Can-crush simulation results with nominal mtl. hardening curves (half-symmetry Presto model)



Tensile EQPS Can Top Element

