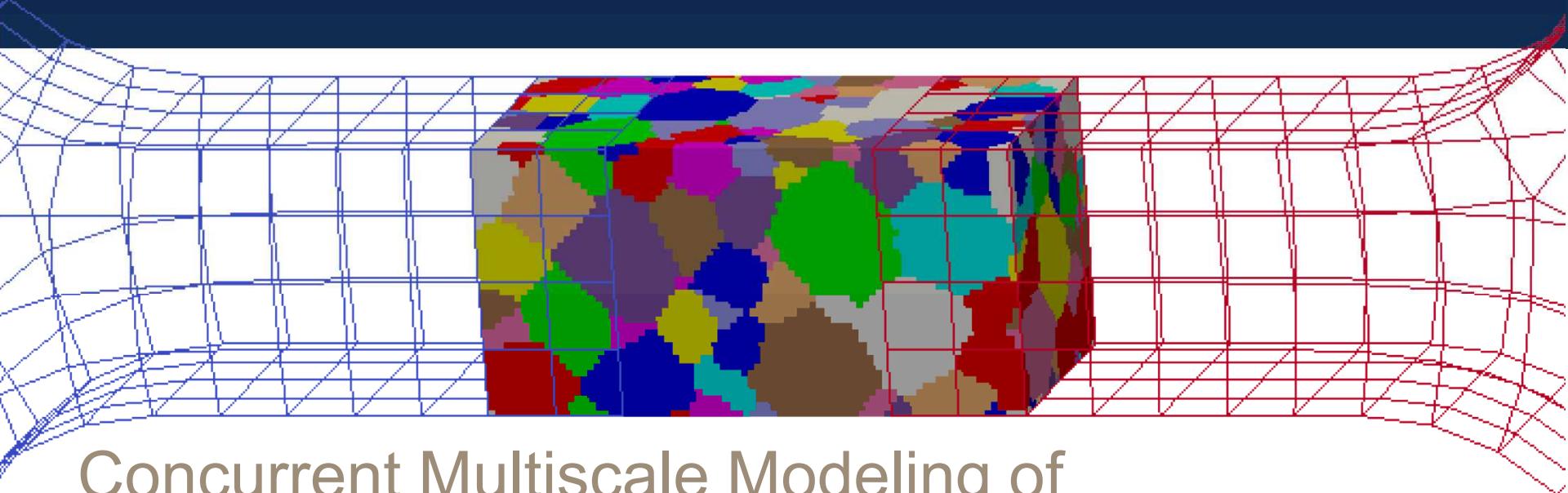


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# Concurrent Multiscale Modeling of Microstructural Effects on Localization Behavior in Finite Deformation Solid Mechanics

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# Multiscale modeling of localization

Connect physical length scales to engineering scale models

Investigate importance of microstructural detail

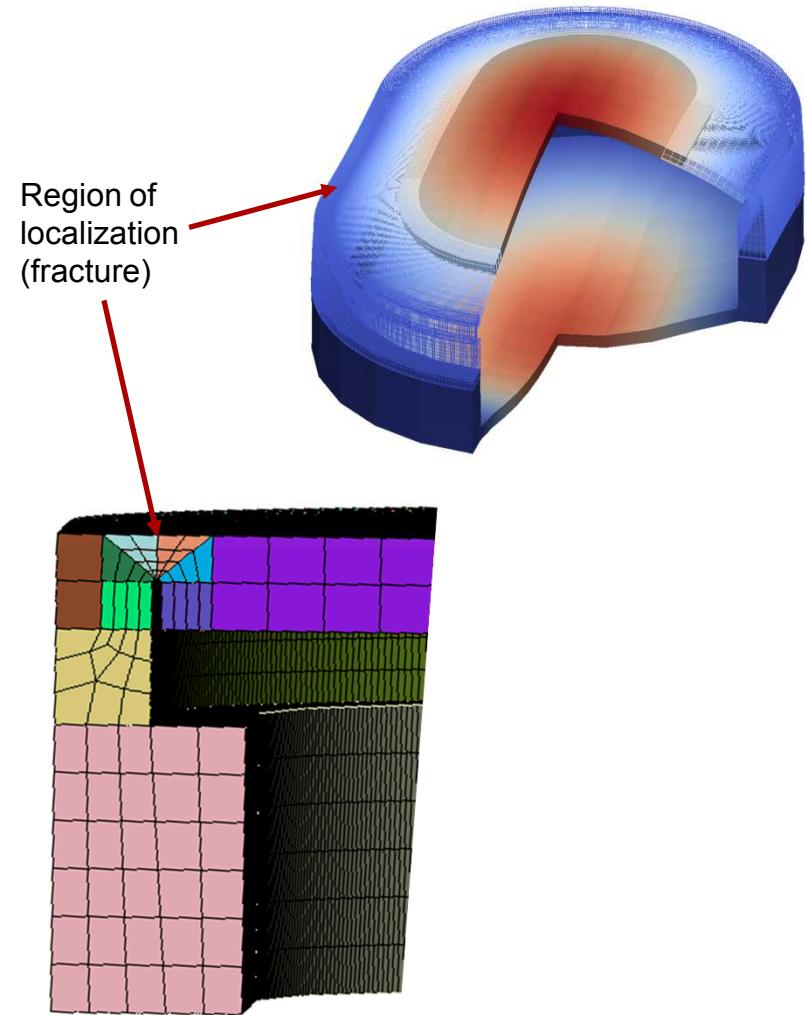
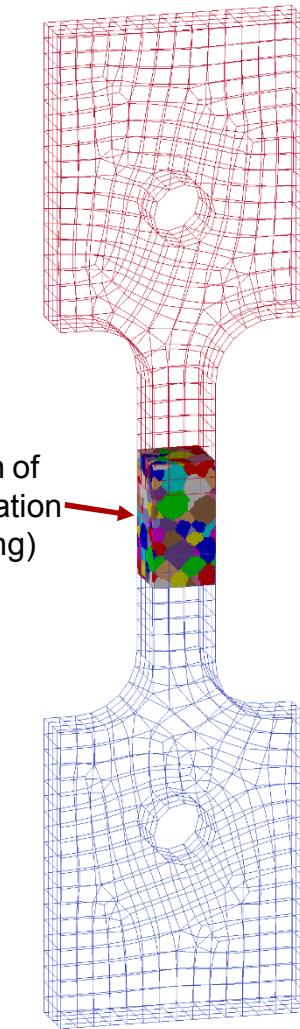
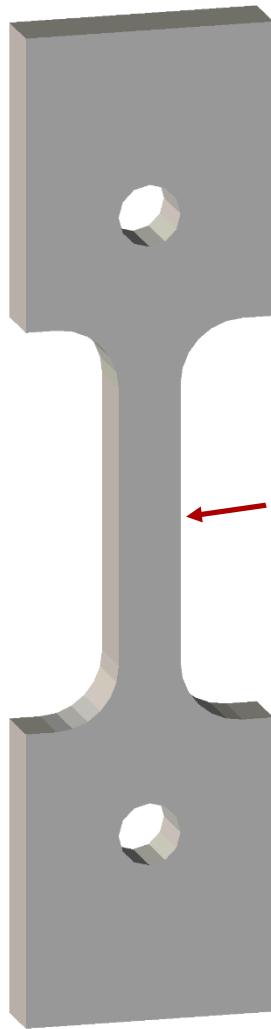
Develop scale bridging technologies for spatial multiscale/multiphysics

*Developing strong, concurrent, multiphysics, multiscale coupling to understand the impact of microstructural mechanisms on the structural scale*

- Applications invoke microstructure
- Explicitly connecting scales
- Resolving strong multiphysics
- Developing discrete microstructural models
- Resolution through manycore/GPUs

*Goal: Predict void nucleation at the microscale*

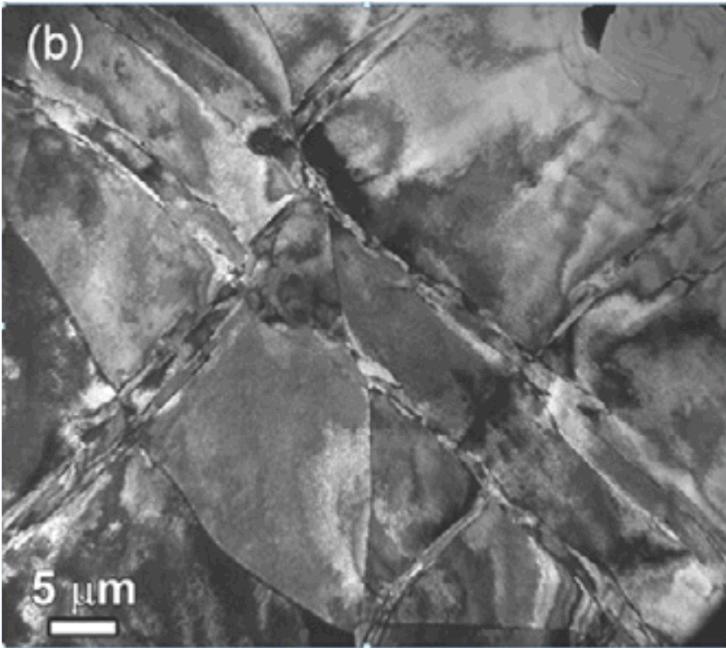
# Problems Involving Localization



# Project scope

- *Strong multiphysics*
  - Implement/verify multiphysics surface elements
  - Develop/implement block preconditioners for multiphysics
- *Concurrent multiscale*
  - Couple the microstructural and structural scales w/multiphysics
- *Microscale physics*
  - Develop/implement models for twinning in FCC and BCC systems
  - Develop/Implement thermal & transport models for boundaries and twins
  - Model discrete twins in grains
- *New architectures*
  - Prototype Kokkos implementation for manycore simulations
- *Applications*
  - Develop ensembles of microstructure for FCC austenitic stainless steel
  - Develop ensembles of microstructures for BCC tantalum (Ta)
  - Simulate hydrogen embrittlement of SS microstructures

# Temperature/strain-rate activates microstructure (Ta)



TEM micrograph of deformation twins in Ta<sup>1</sup> (T=77 K and  $\dot{\varepsilon} = 2.2 \times 10^4 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ).

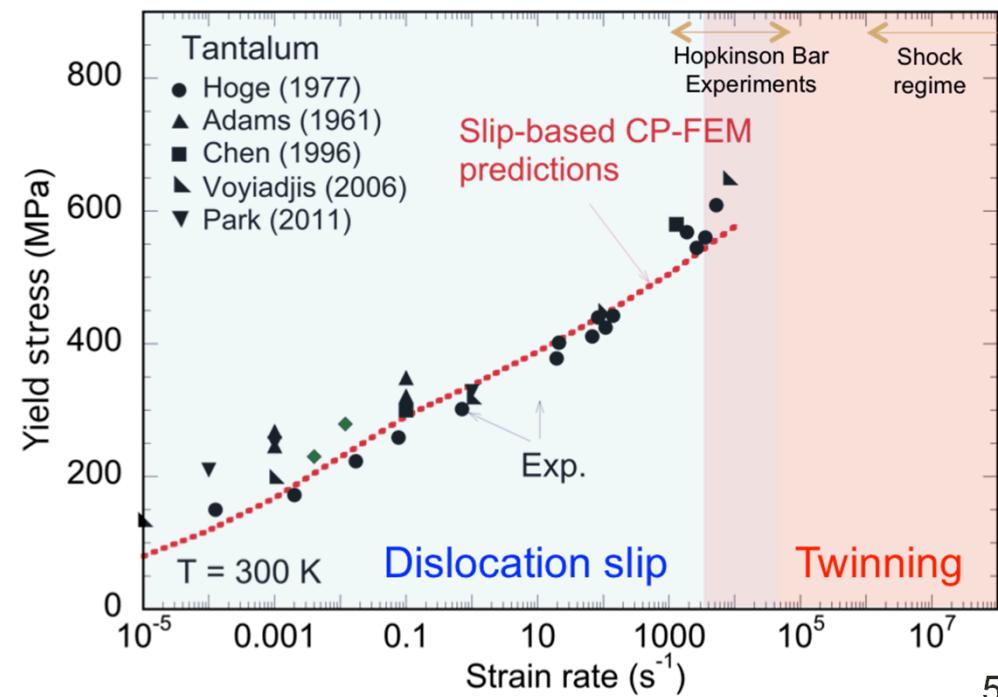
Length scales span  $10 \mu\text{m} - 1 \text{mm}$

- Extensive slip within grains
- Twins evolve within steep gradients

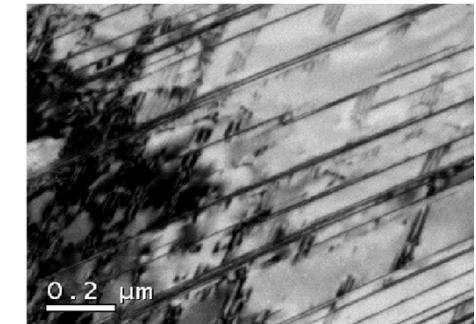
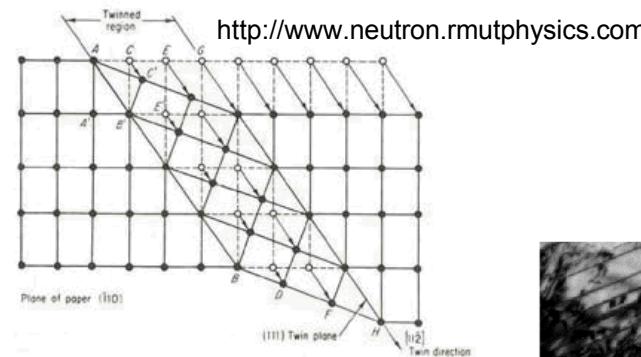
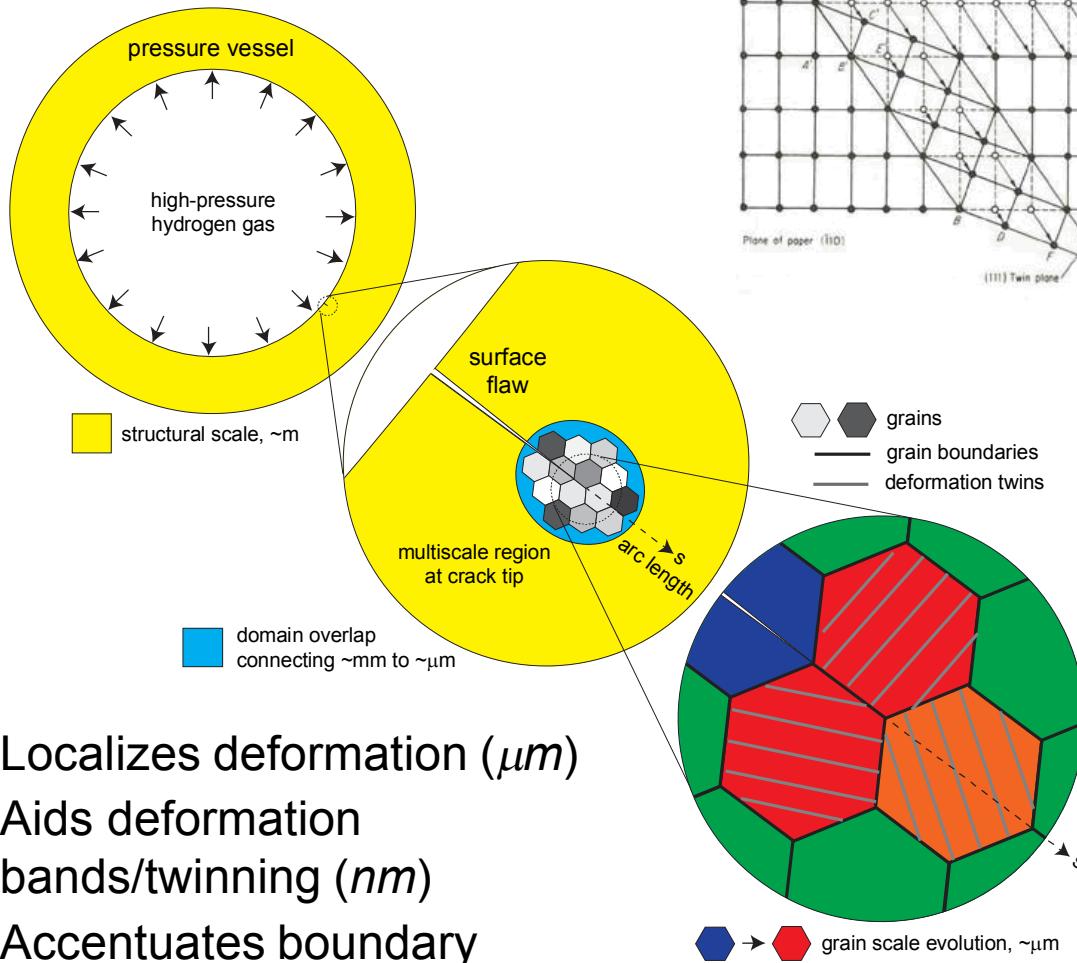
<sup>1</sup>Chen, et. al., *Scripta Mater.* 69 (2013) 709 – 712.

Strain rate & temperature activates microstructure and *localizes* deformation

- Increased strain rate ( $10^3$ ,  $10^4$ ) and decreased temperature aids twinning (nm)
- Accentuates grain boundary interactions (nm)



# Hydrogen activates microstructure (stainless steel)



extensive slip and deformation twinning

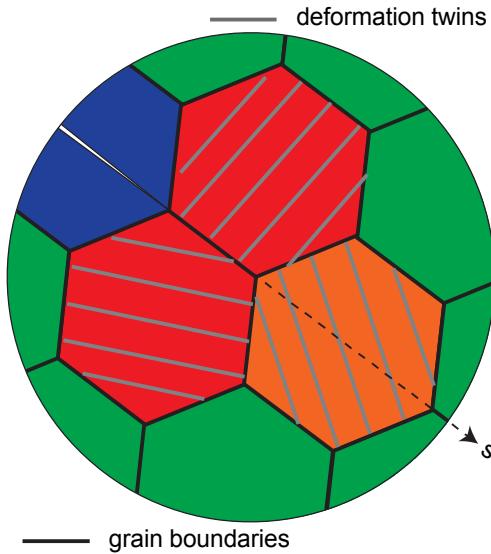


premature void nucleation\*

- Localizes deformation ( $\mu$ m)
- Aids deformation bands/twinning (nm)
- Accentuates boundary interactions (nm)

\*Nibur, et. al., Acta Mater., 2009.

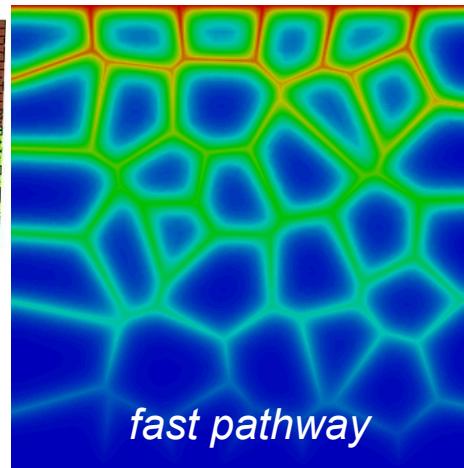
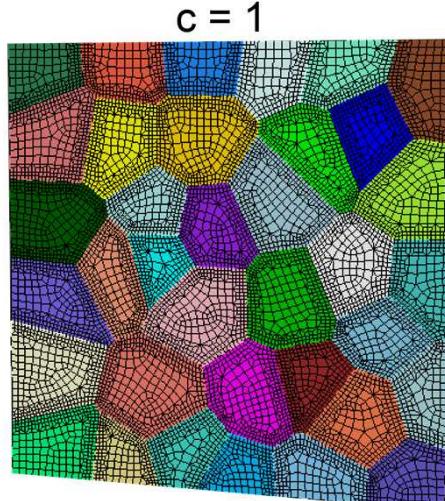
# Multiphysics: Mechanics and Diffusion



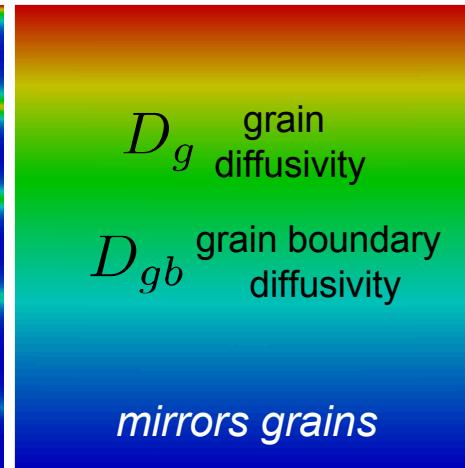
Microstructure impacts deformation and diffusion

Deformation alters effective diffusion constant

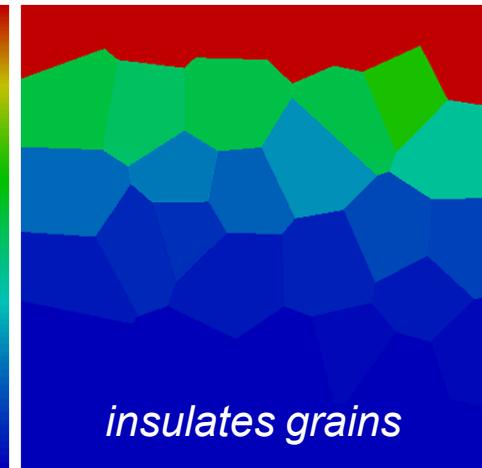
Diffused species affect fracture behavior



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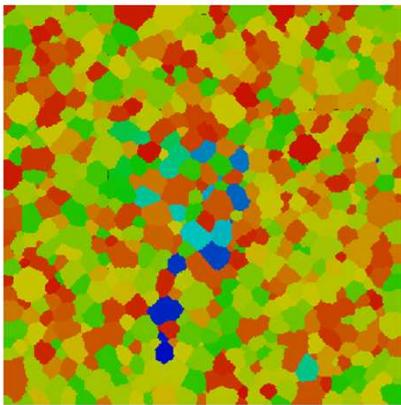


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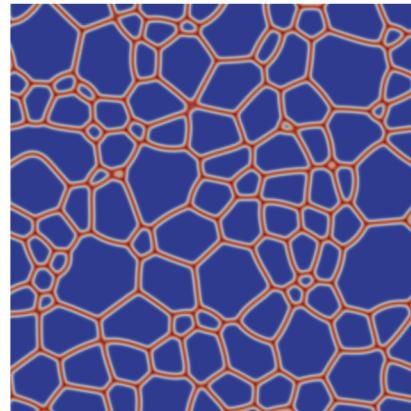


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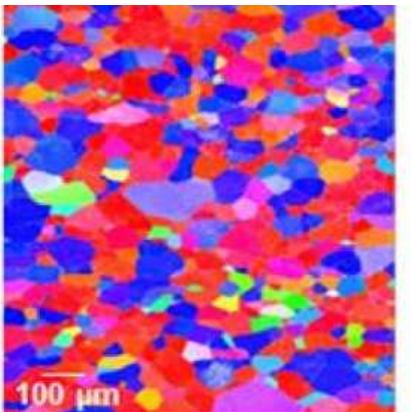
# Create and Characterize Microstructure



Kinetic Monte Carlo grain growth model



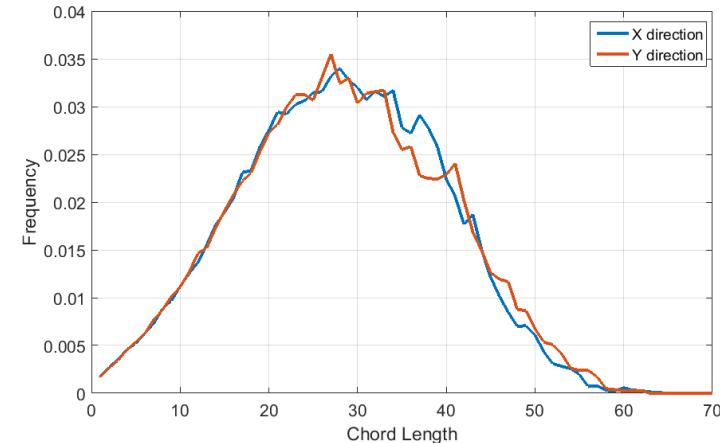
Phase Field Grain Growth model



Electron back scattered diffraction

Rigorous statistical quantification of polycrystalline microstructures

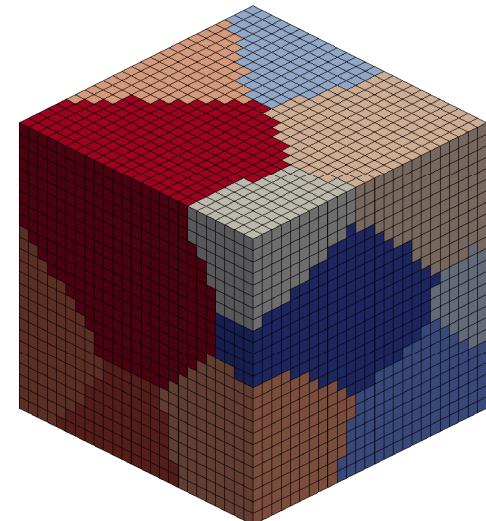
Distribution of grain boundary chord lengths in a candidate microstructure



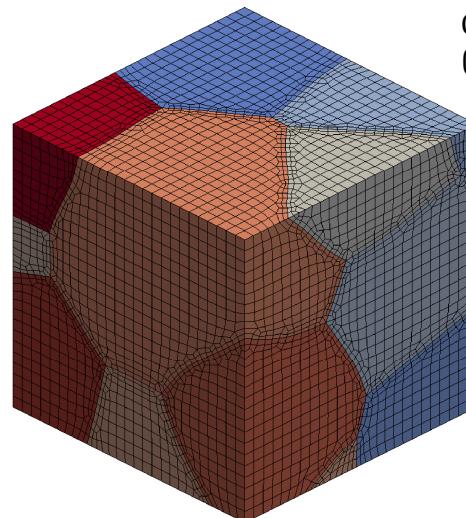
Exploring microstructure-mechanical property relationship using statistical data analysis

*Multiscale/multiphysics LDRD. SNL PI: Hojun Lim. GT PI: Professor Surya Kalidindi*

# Finite Element Meshing Workflow

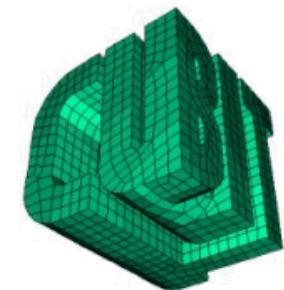
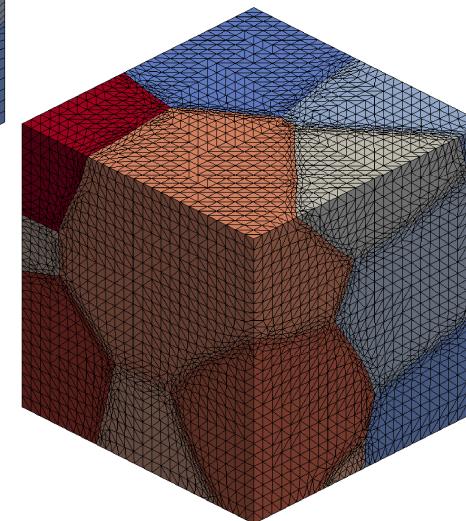


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Input: microstructure  
statistics  
Output: voxelized  
microstructure



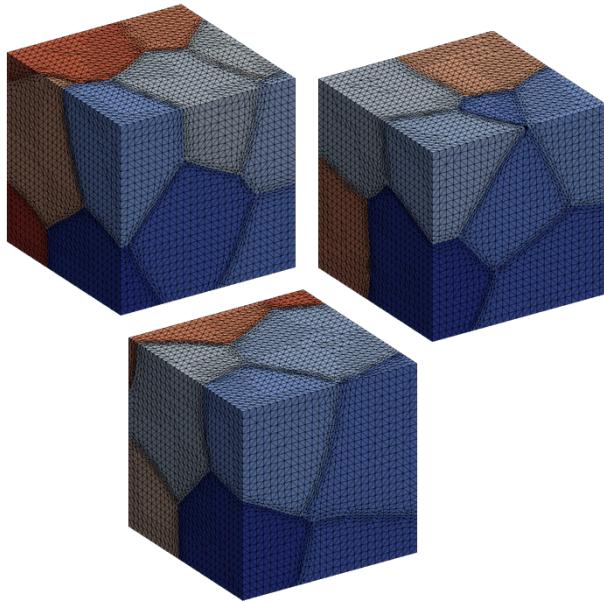
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SCULPT  
Input: voxelized microstructure  
Output: finite element mesh  
(hexahedral)

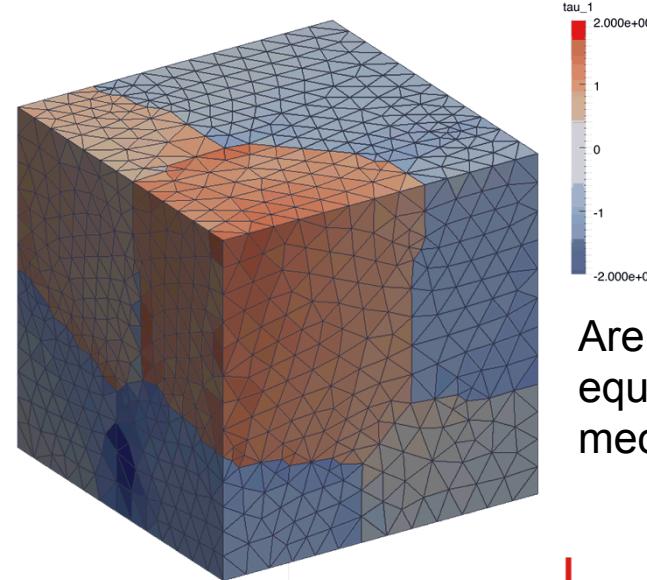


CUBIT  
Input: finite element mesh  
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(e.g., tetrahedral)

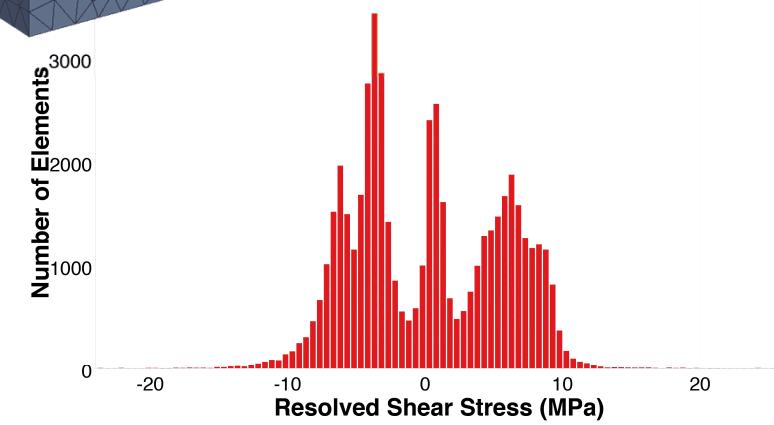
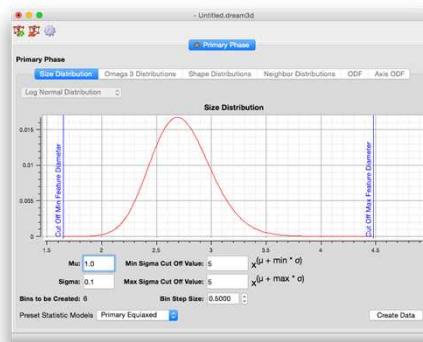
# Microstructural Parametrization



Microstructural realizations from a single set of underlying morphological statistics

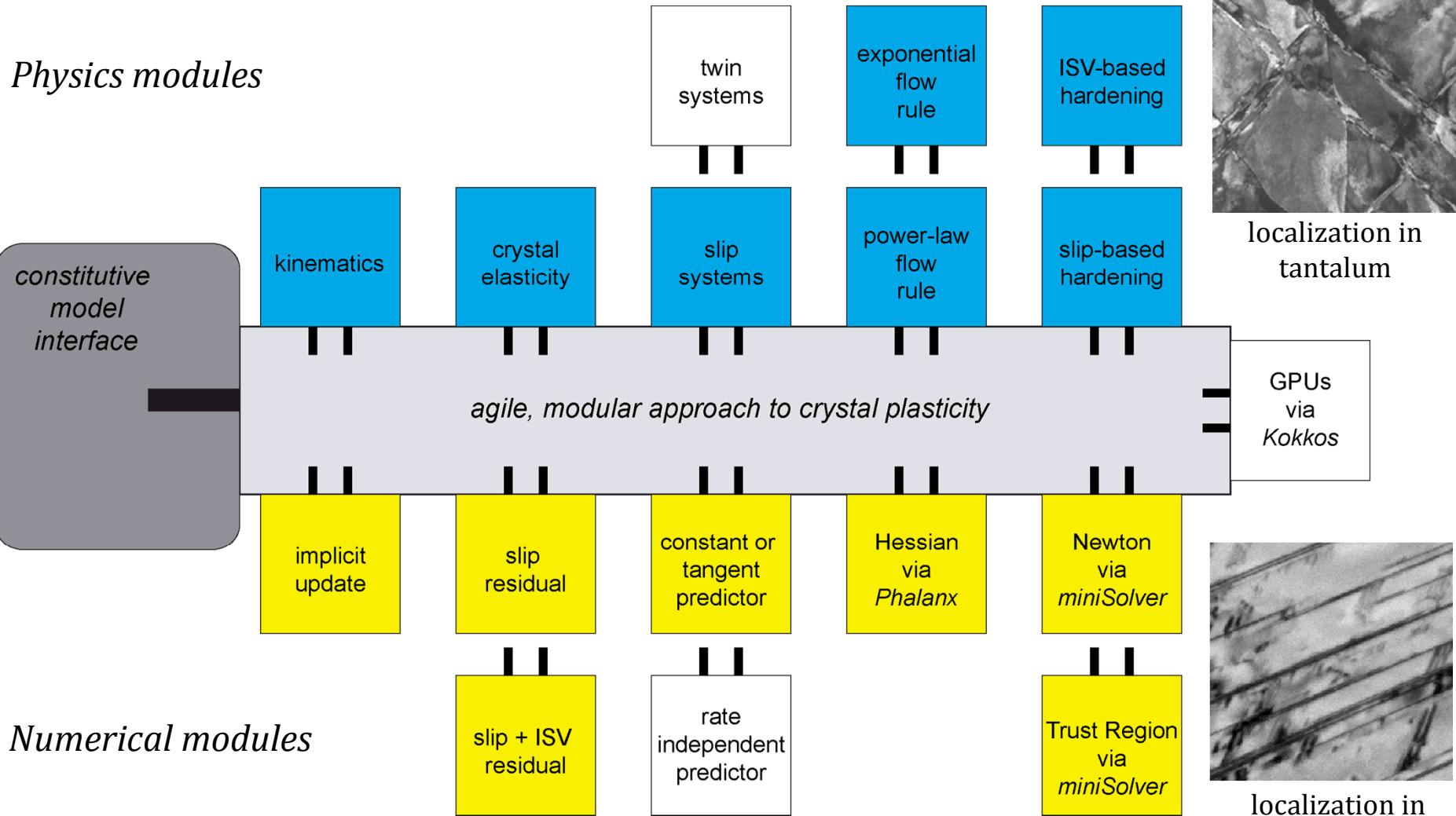


Are the realizations equivalent in terms of mechanical response?



# Agile components of crystal plasticity

## Physics modules

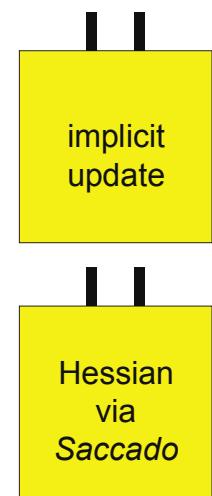


## Numerical modules

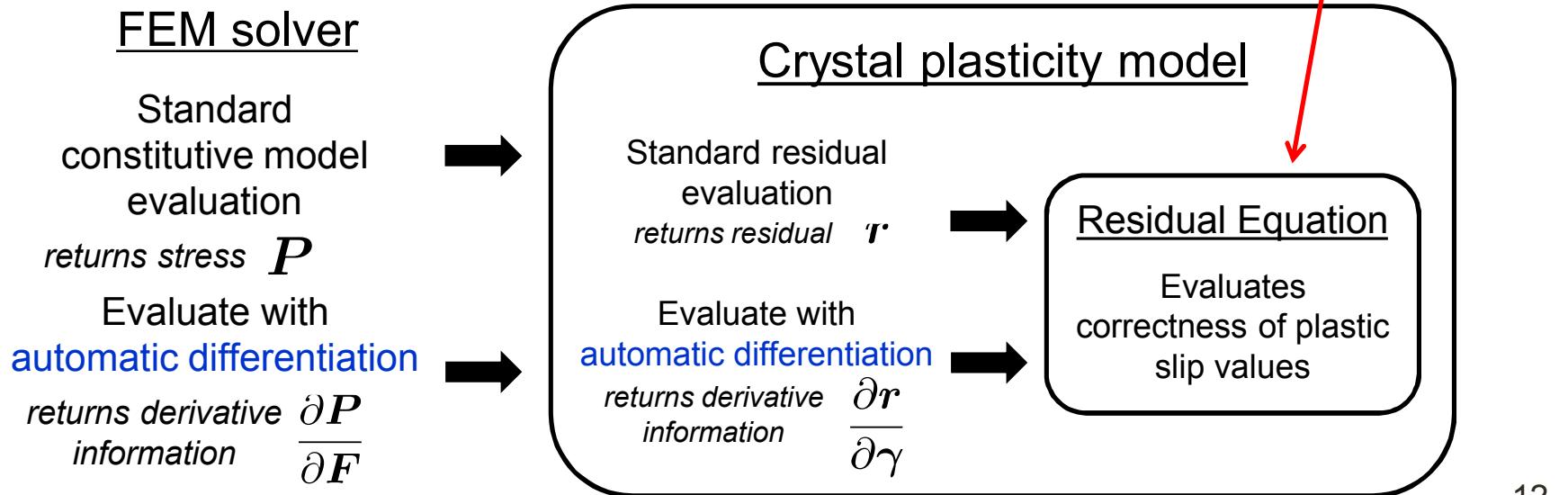
Multiple methods facilitate learning and lower the barrier for new advances.

# Automatic differentiation enables modularity

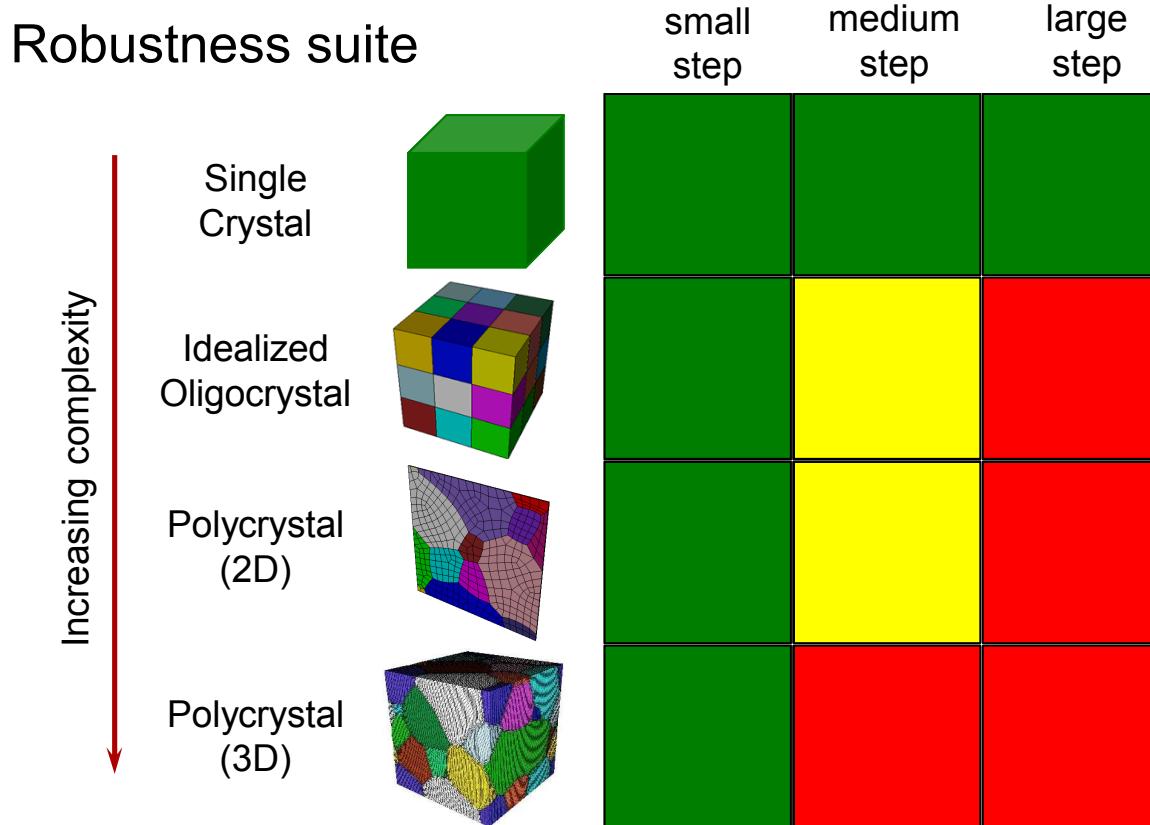
- **Goal:** Allow users to mix and match crystal plasticity features
  - Crystal structure, flow rule, hardening law, etc.
- **Challenge:** Altering the crystal plasticity equations requires difficult changes to the model's state update routine (implicit update)
- **Strategy:** Automatic differentiation using the *Sacado* package dramatically reduces the required changes to material model



minimal coding required!



# Measuring Robustness Through Application



Automated evaluation of model performance for various problems of interest

- Usability – Code users less burdened with implementation details
- Confidence – Verified solutions within realistic problem space

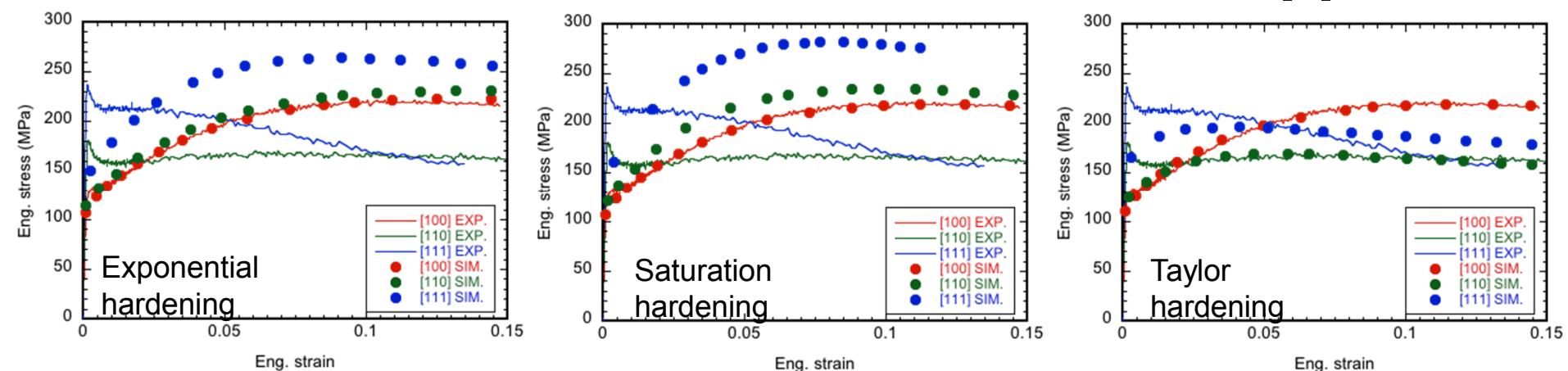
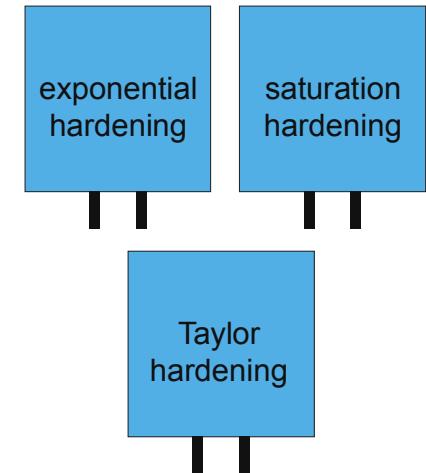
# Predictions in single crystal Ta

**Exponential hardening**  $g^\alpha = H_0 + \frac{H_1}{H_2} (1 - \exp(-H_2 \varepsilon^\alpha))$

**Saturation hardening**  $\dot{g}^\alpha = \dot{g}_0 \left( \frac{g_s - g^\alpha}{g_s - g_0} \right) \sum_\beta 2 \left| S_{ij}^\alpha S_{ij}^\beta \right| |\dot{\gamma}^\beta| \quad g_s = g_{s_0} \left| \frac{\dot{\gamma}}{\dot{\gamma}_0} \right|^\omega$

**Taylor hardening**  
(dislocation density)

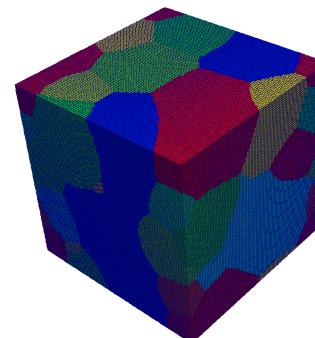
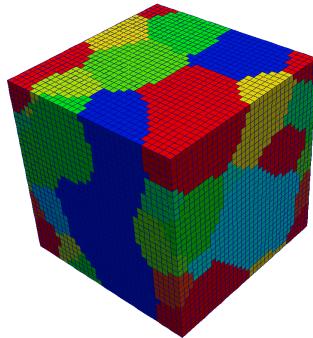
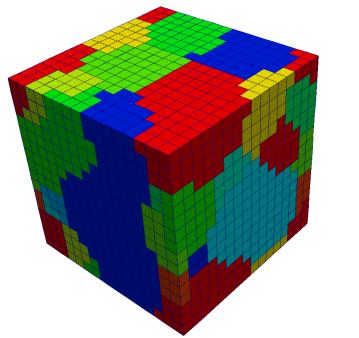
$$g^\alpha = A \mu b \sqrt{\sum_{\beta=1}^{24} \mathbf{H}^{\alpha\beta} \rho^\beta} \quad \dot{\rho}^\alpha = \left( \kappa_1 \sqrt{\sum_{\beta=1}^{NS} \rho^\beta} - \kappa_2 \rho^\alpha \right) \cdot |\dot{\gamma}^\alpha|$$



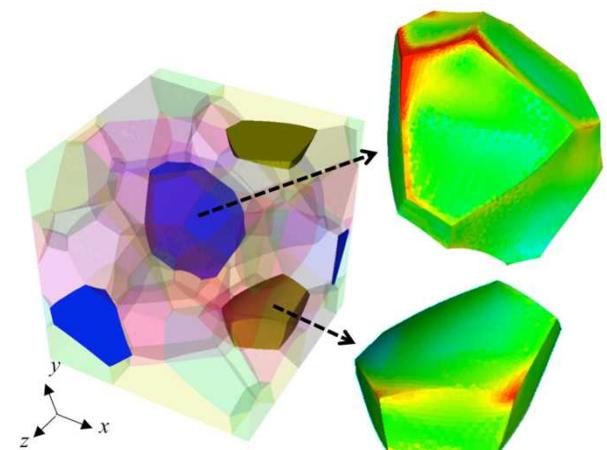
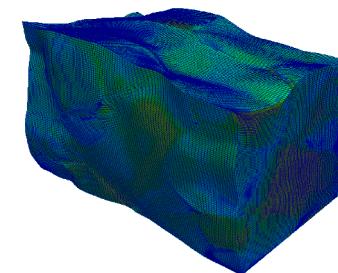
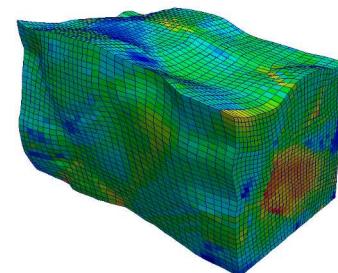
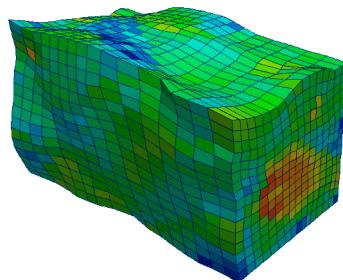
- Increment physics through an array of hardening models in crystal plasticity framework
  - Parameterize through BCC Ta single crystal experiments in [100] orientation
  - Predict response in [110] and [111] orientations.
- *Dislocation density based Taylor hardening model* most accurately reflects anisotropy.

# Role of Boundary Representation

3D polycrystal with 30 grains generate through phase-field modeling. Voxelated grain boundaries.

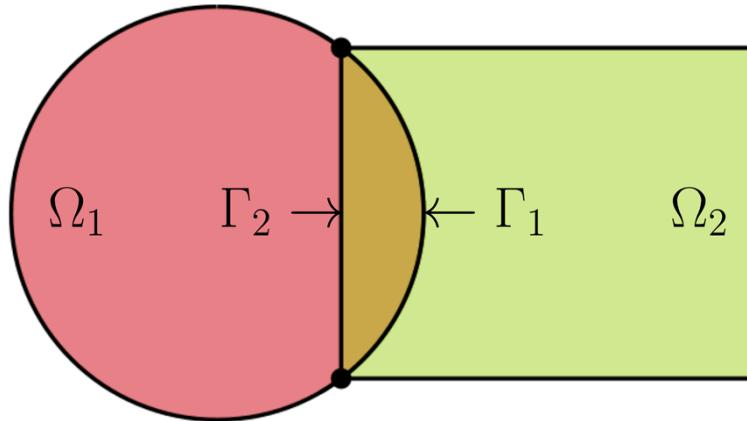


Phase-field microstructures



Conformal boundaries w/  
focus on higher-order tets

# Schwarz Alternating Method for Multiscale Coupling in Quasistatics



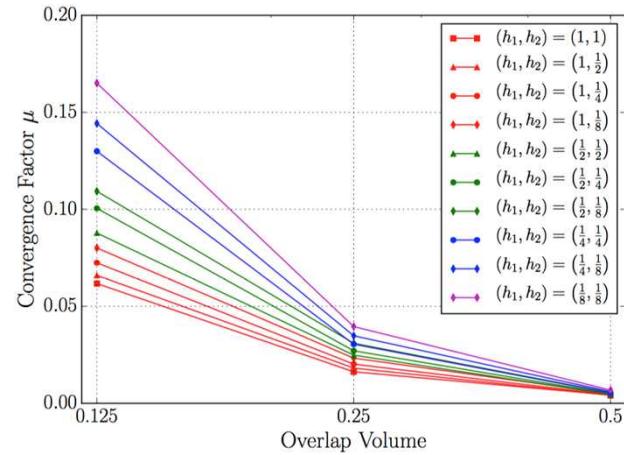
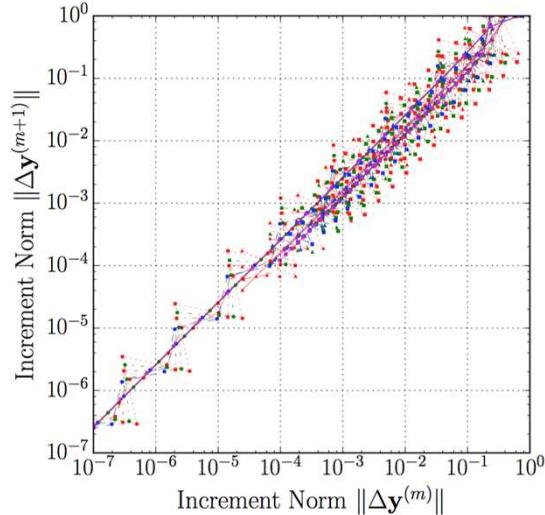
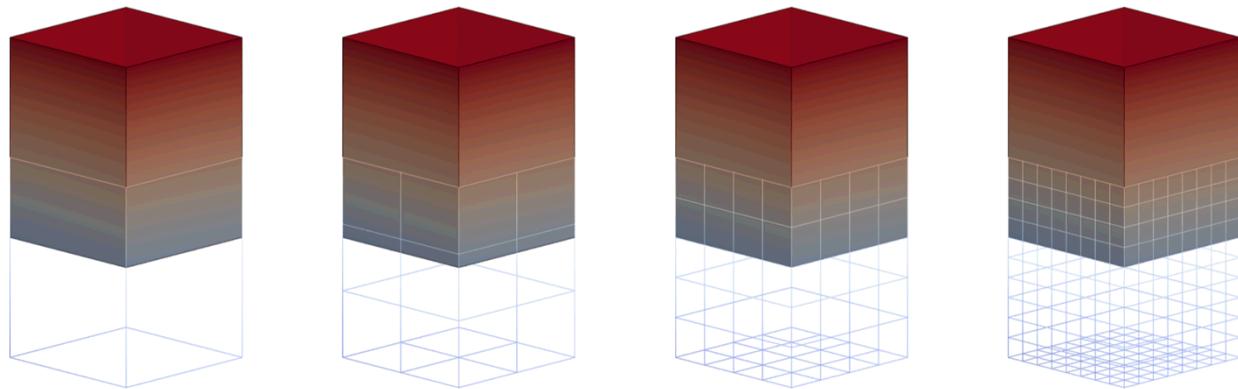
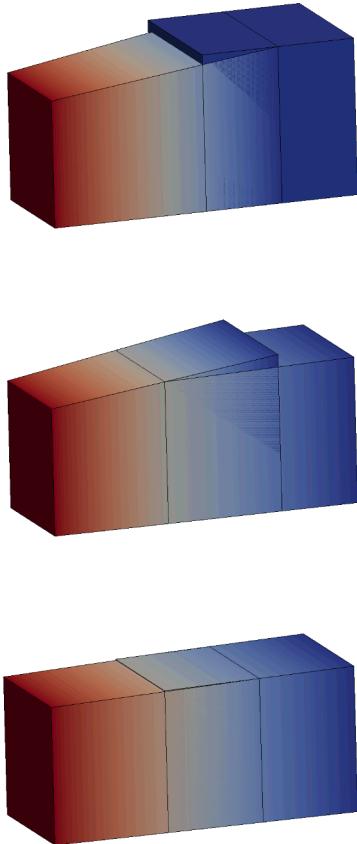
## Concept of solution scheme

- Solve PDE by any method on  $\Omega_1$  using an initial guess for Dirichlet BCs on  $\Gamma_1$ .
- Solve PDE by any method (can be different than for  $\Omega_1$ ) on  $\Omega_2$  using Dirichlet BCs on  $\Gamma_2$  that are the values just obtained for  $\Omega_1$ .
- Solve PDE using Dirichlet BCs on  $\Gamma_1$  that are the values just obtained for  $\Omega_2$ .

- Mathematical proof of convergence for solid mechanics problem
- Allows coupling of nonconforming domains with different element types and levels of refinement
- Information is exchanged concurrently among two or more subdomains
- Different solvers can be used for each subdomain
- Different material models can be coupled provided that they are compatible

# Convergence: Overlap and Refinement

Combined Newton-Schwarz Iteration ↓



# Schwarz Alternating Method in Albany

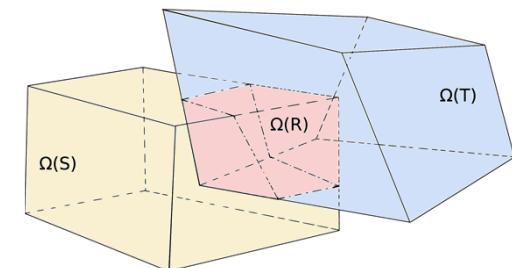
- Schwarz method implemented in Sandia's open-source Albany code within the LCM project.
- Use of components in code design for rapid development of capabilities.
- Extensive use of libraries from the open-source TRILINOS project.
  - PHALANX package to decompose complex problem into simpler problems with managed dependencies.
  - SACADO package for automatic differentiation. The stiffness is neither derived nor implemented explicitly.
  - TEKO package for block preconditioning.
- Parallel implementation uses the Data Transfer Kit (DTK).
- All software available on GitHub.



<https://github.com/trilinos/trilinos>

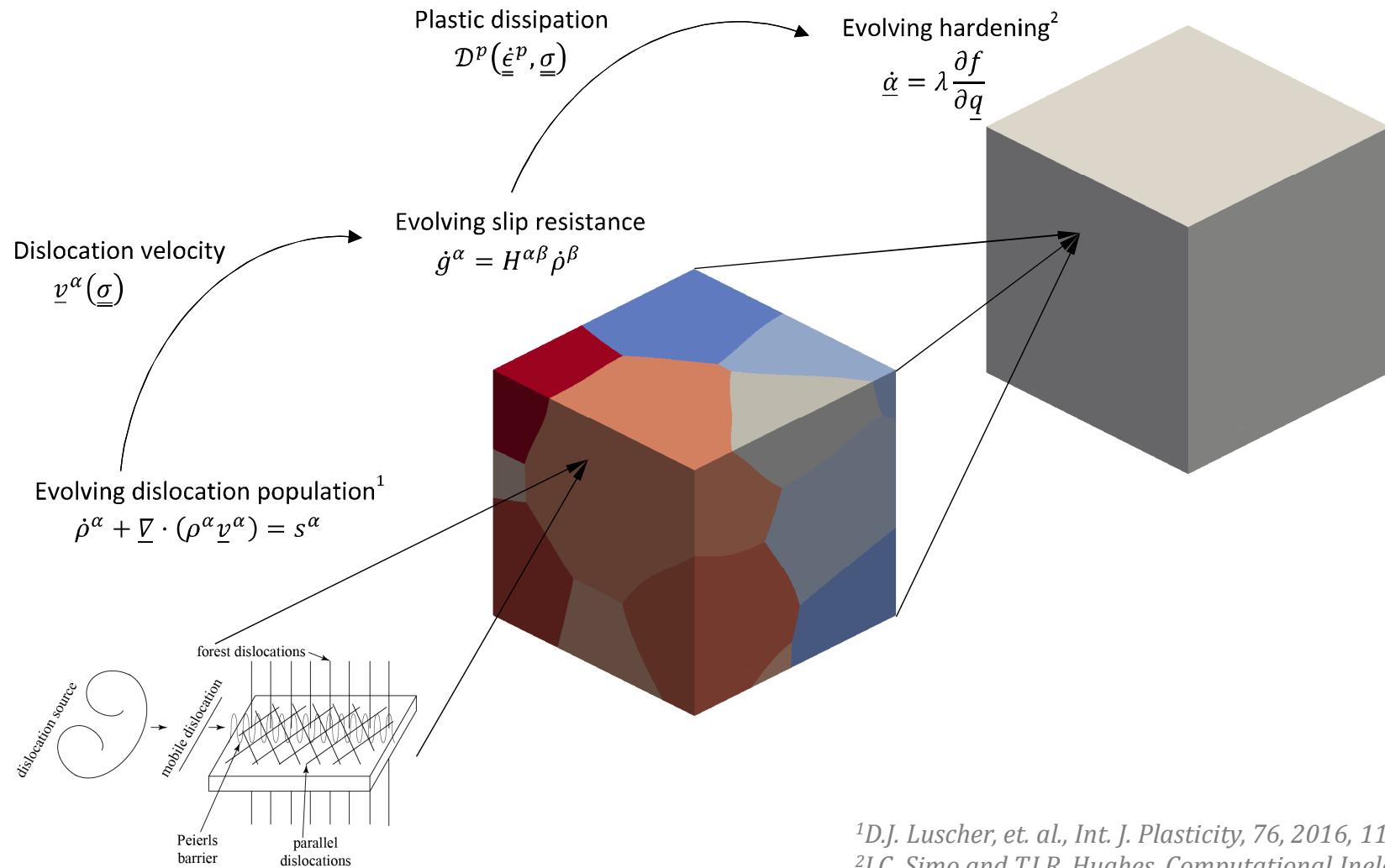


<https://github.com/gahansen/Albany>



<https://github.com/ORNL-CEES/DataTransferKit>

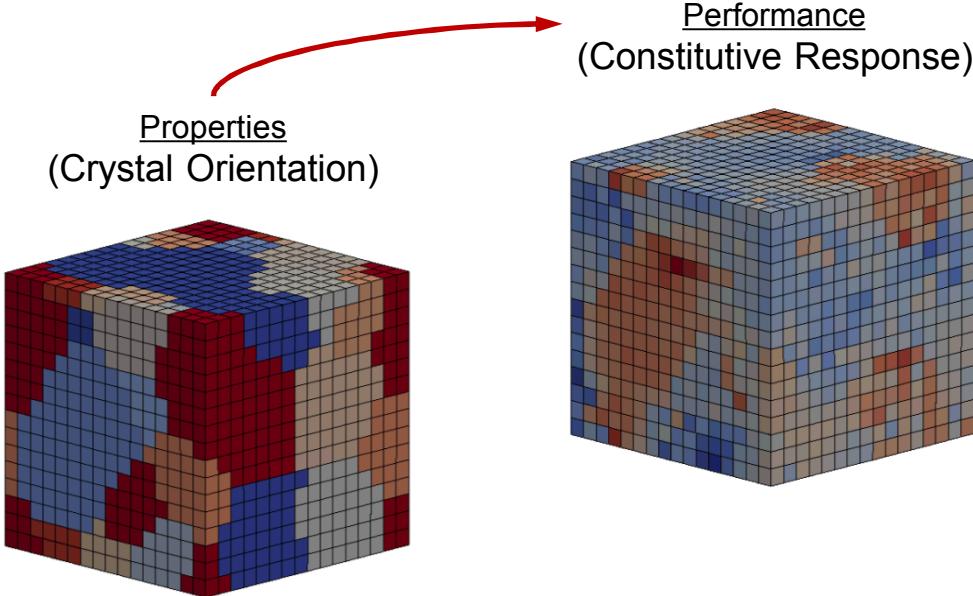
# Meso-Continuum Scale Hierarchy



<sup>1</sup>D.J. Luscher, et. al., *Int. J. Plasticity*, 76, 2016, 111-129.

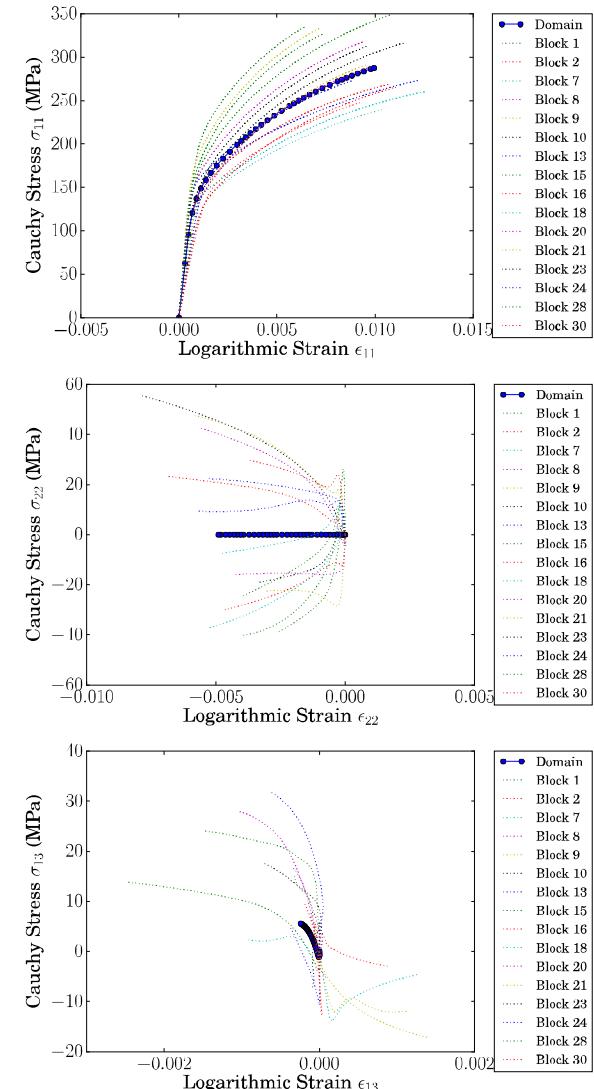
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# Microstructurally-Derived Constitutive Response



Predicting performance from measured properties requires:

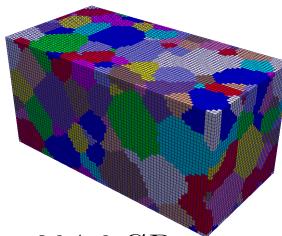
- Characterization of properties
  - Develop microstructure metrics beyond average grain size
- Characterization of response
  - Develop metrics for heterogeneity
    - No grain experiences uniaxial stress state, but domain-averaged response is nearly uniaxial
- Mapping from property metrics to response metrics
  - Develop framework to upscale microscale response



# Ingredients of a Schwartz analysis

## Mesoscale

voxelated microstructure derived from phase-field evolution  
(F. Abdeljawad)



cubic elastic constant :  $C_{11} = 204.6$  GPa

cubic elastic constant :  $C_{12} = 137.7$  GPa

cubic elastic constant :  $C_{44} = 126.2$  GPa

reference shear rate :  $\dot{\gamma}_0 = 1.0$  1/s

rate sensitivity factor :  $m = 20$

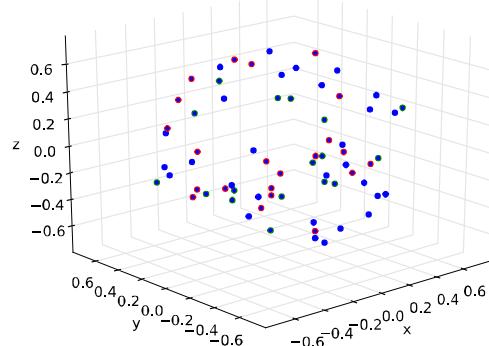
hardening rate parameter :  $g_0 = 2.0 \times 10^4$  1/s

initial hardness :  $g_0 = 90$  MPa

saturation hardness :  $g_s = 202$  MPa

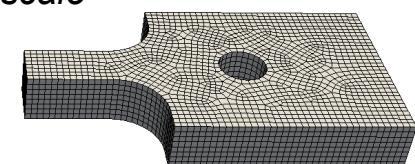
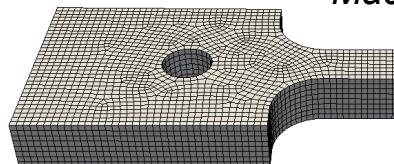
saturation exponent :  $\omega = 0.01$

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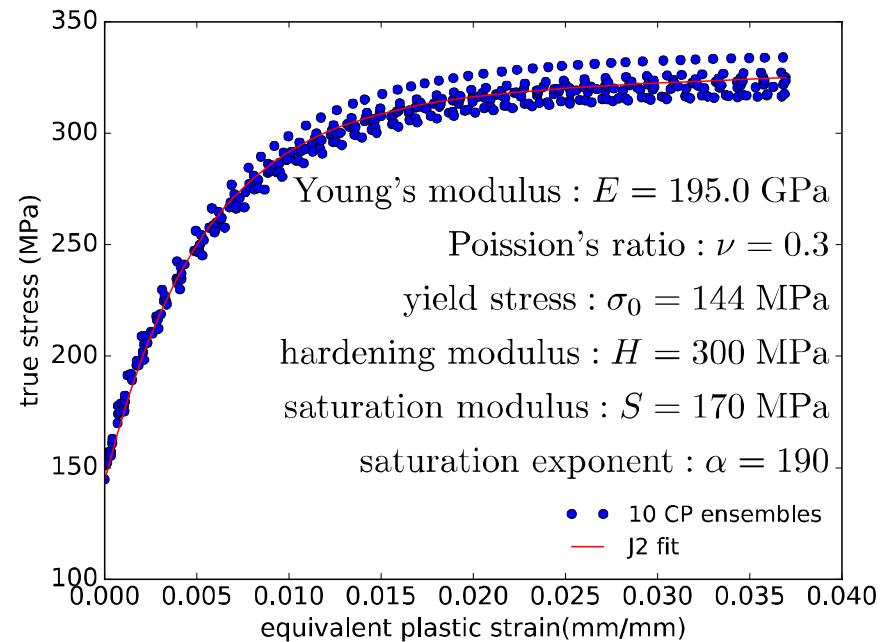


151 axial vectors from 3 of the 10 ensembles of random rotations (blue, green, red)

## Macroscale

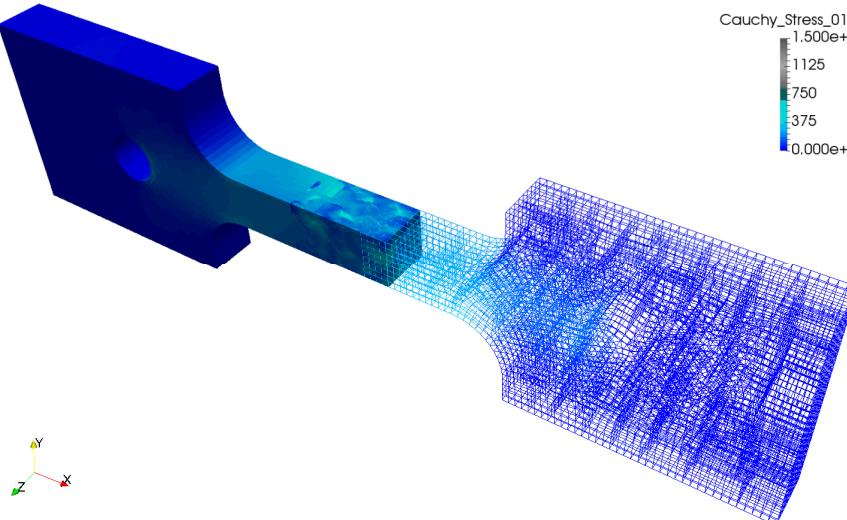
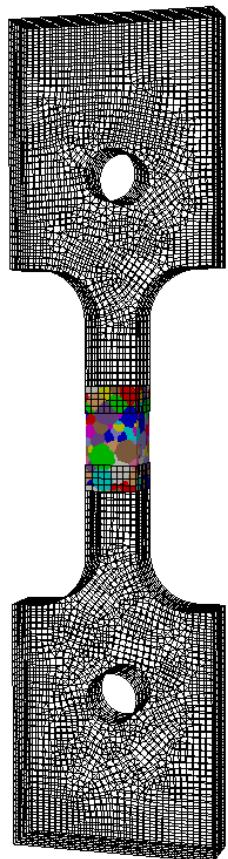


- Load microstructural ensembles in uniaxial stress
- Convert load/displacements to flow curves
- Fit flow curves with a macroscale  $J_2$  plasticity model

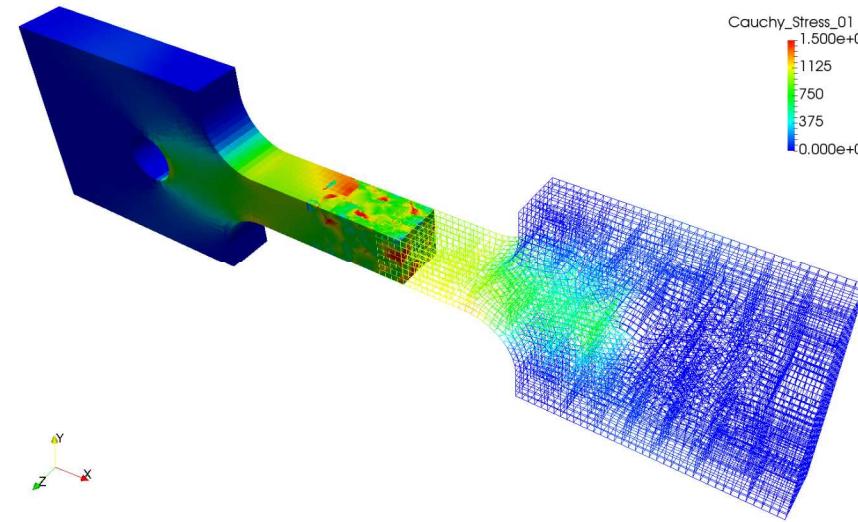


$$\sigma_y = \sigma_0 + H\epsilon_p + S(1 - e^{-\alpha\epsilon_p})$$

# Coupling components to microstructure



Embed microstructure in  
ASTM tensile geometry



# Key R&D Milestones for FY17

- *Strong multiphysics and concurrent multiscale*
  - Novel methods for multiphysics & multiscale coupling
  - Extend multiscale to dynamics
- *Microscale physics*
  - Develop/implement models for twinning
  - Develop/implement thermal/transport models for boundaries/twins
  - Publish developments in both physics and robustness
  - Develop/implement models that capture effects of hydrogen/temperature
- *New architectures*
  - Investigate/improve scalability of Kokkos in LCM
- *Applications*
  - Model discrete twins in stainless steel
  - Simulate the high-rate loading of tantalum
  - Couple microstructural scale to structural scale
  - Through ensembles of microstructures, investigate void nucleation

# Progress and future work

- Develop a more fundamental understanding of localization in
  - Austenitic stainless steel structures exposed to hydrogen gas
  - Tantalum structures subjected to high rates of loading
- Discovery enabled through
  - Intimate connection between structure and microstructure (Schwarz)
  - Strong multiphysics capable of capturing autocatalytic processes
  - Systematically increasing microstructural physics
  - Robust solution methods for increasing complexity
  - Extension to next generation platforms

*Part of a top down strategy (macro to micro) to provide context, identify disconnects, and provide drivers.*

