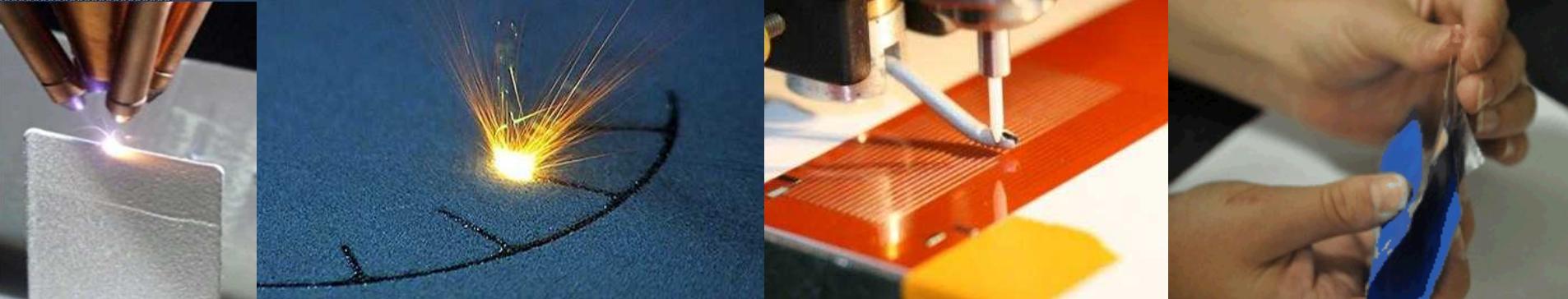


Exceptional service in the national interest



Additive Manufacturing at Sandia

Mark F. Smith
Materials Science & Engineering Center



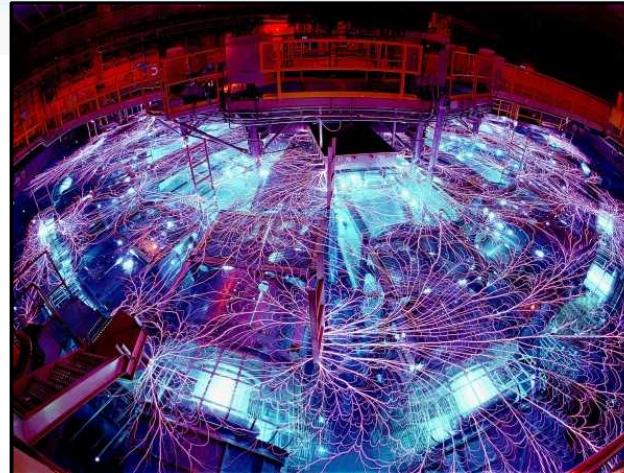
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Sandia is a National Security Science and Engineering Laboratory



Weapon Drop Test



Energy R&D



Threat Test

- Historical mission -- non-nuclear components in nuclear weapons and nuclear weapon security
- Today, broader mission in science & engineering for U.S. national security

“We work on technologies at a scientific lab, but we must emphasize that science is not an end. The end is solving problems for the nation. Science is perhaps the best tool to achieve that end.”

C. Paul Robinson, SNL President 1995-2005



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Materials Science at Sandia

Materials Science Objective: Materials R&D conducted at Sandia will enable mission delivery now and in the future and advance the frontiers of science and engineering.

Three Major Areas of Materials R&D

■ *Materials Engineering Support*

- Problem solving, program support
- Application of existing expertise
- Point solutions

■ *Materials & Process Advanced Development*

- Advanced & exploratory materials & process development
- Production process development & technology transfer
- Understanding the margins

■ *Fundamental Materials & Process Science*

- Develop/integrate theoretical insights, computational simulation tools, and experiments to provide foundational, predictive understanding
- Develop innovative new materials and process technologies
- Create advanced materials analysis & process diagnostics tools

Center for Integrated Nano Technologies



Adv. Materials & Processes Lab



Ion Beam Lab



Advanced Materials Lab



Processing & Environmental Tech. Lab



Integrated Materials Research Lab



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30+ Years of AM Technology Development and Commercialization

FastCast *

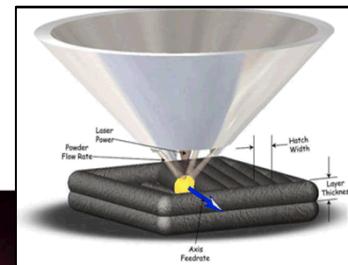
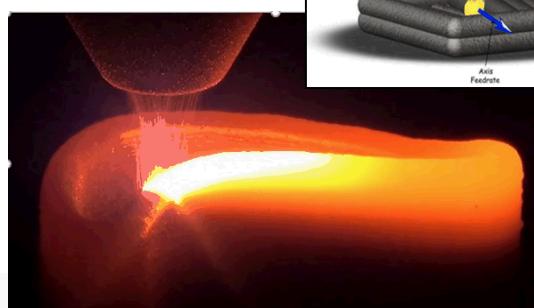
Development Housing



Laser Engineered Net Shaping *

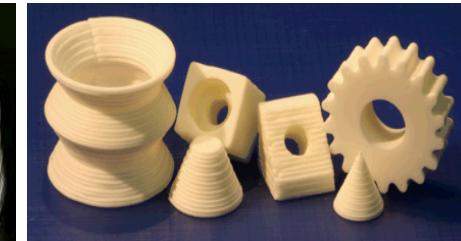
LENS®

LENS Blade



RoboCast *

Ceramic Parts

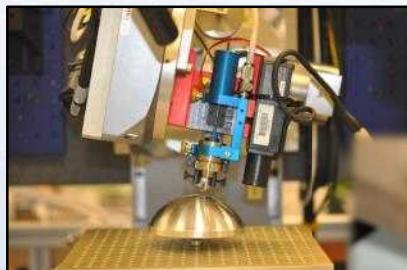


Energetic Materials



Direct Write

Conformal Electronics



Printed Battery



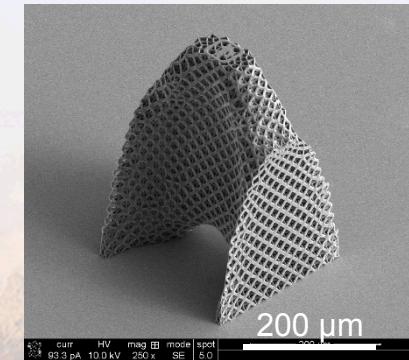
Spray Forming

Rocket Nozzle



Micro-Nano Scale AM

Lattice Structure



* = Licensed/Commercialized Sandia AM technologies

Underline = Current Capability/Activity



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Example Applications



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Sandia Hand - AM Enabled Innovative Design and Cost Reduction

(~50% of hand built with AM)

- Developed for bomb disablement
- Enabled rapid design iterations
- Cost \$10k vs. ~\$250k
- “Glove” controller
- Current version includes “touch” sensors



Fingers or other tools (e.g., drills) can be quickly magnetically attached in many configurations



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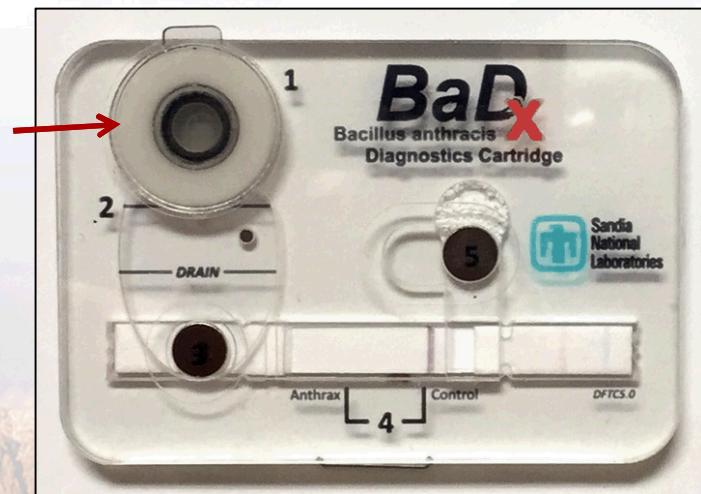


BaD_X Anthrax Diagnostics Tool

- Microfluidic platform for bacterial detection
- Self-contained, credit card-sized “Laboratory in a Pocket”
- 3D printed cap
 - Specialized geometry
 - Low cost, quick turnaround



3D Printed Cap/Seal



Design/Analysis Tools



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Analysis-Driven Design Optimization

We combined Topological Optimization (TO) with eXtended Finite Element Modeling (X-FEM) & LENS® to optimize selected properties, e.g., strength/weight ratio

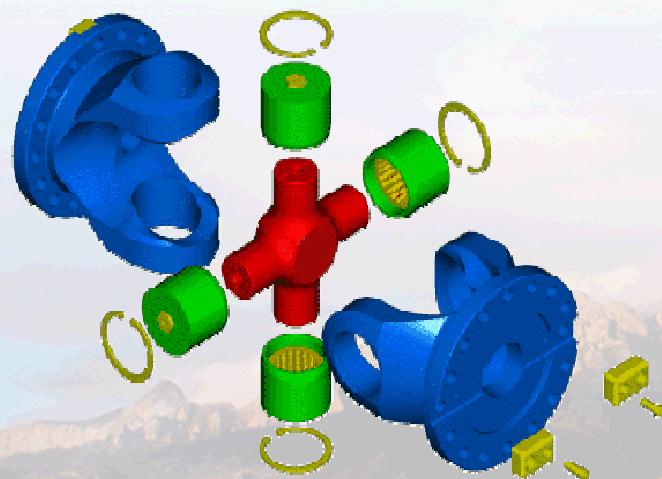
“Titanium Cholla” LDRD -- Minimum Weight, Maximum Strength, Rapidly Manufactured!



With AM it is faster and cheaper to build this optimized shaft than a solid shaft!



Core of a dead Cholla cactus
(optimized designs often resemble natural structures -- bio-mimicry)



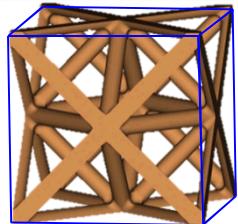
“Loxosphere” Universal Joint
printed as a single integrated assembly –fewer parts, no assembly, no frictional wear!



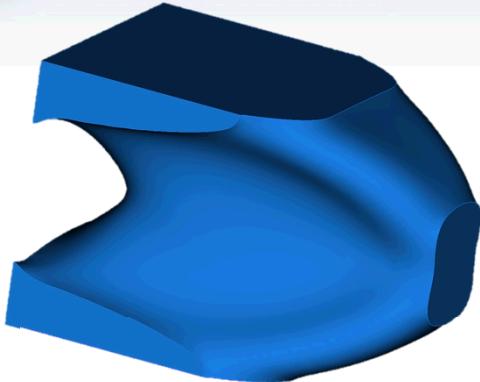
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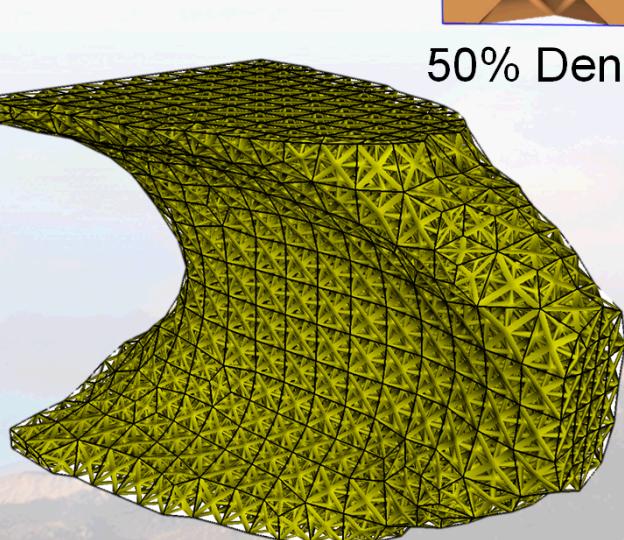
AM Lattice Structures Optimize Stiffness vs. Weight



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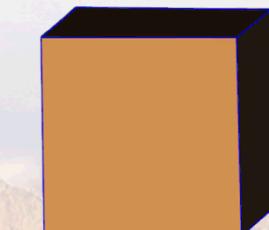
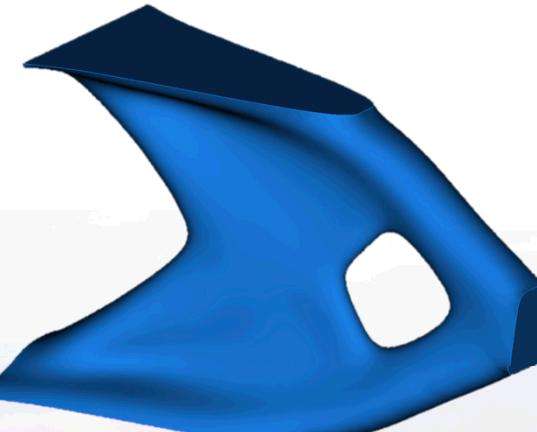


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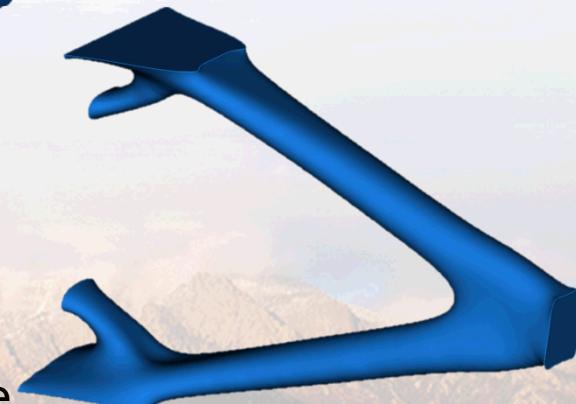
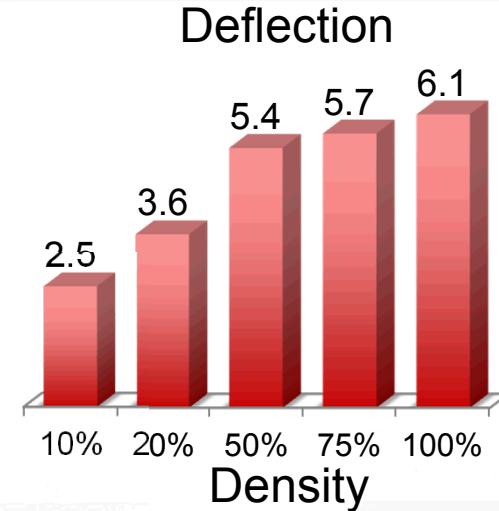


50% Dense

50% Dense



100% Dense



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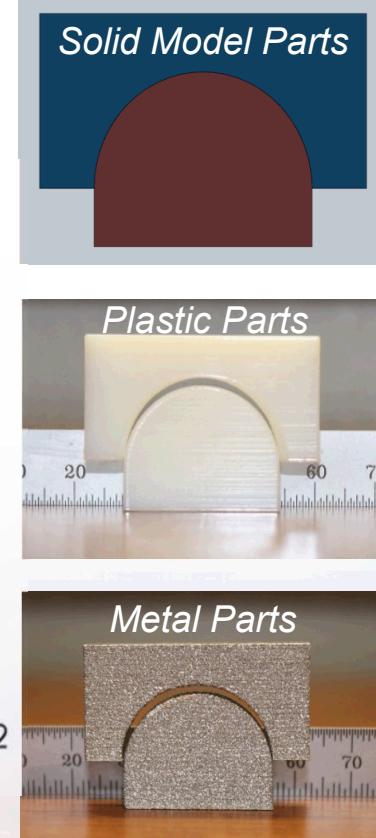
Materials Assurance



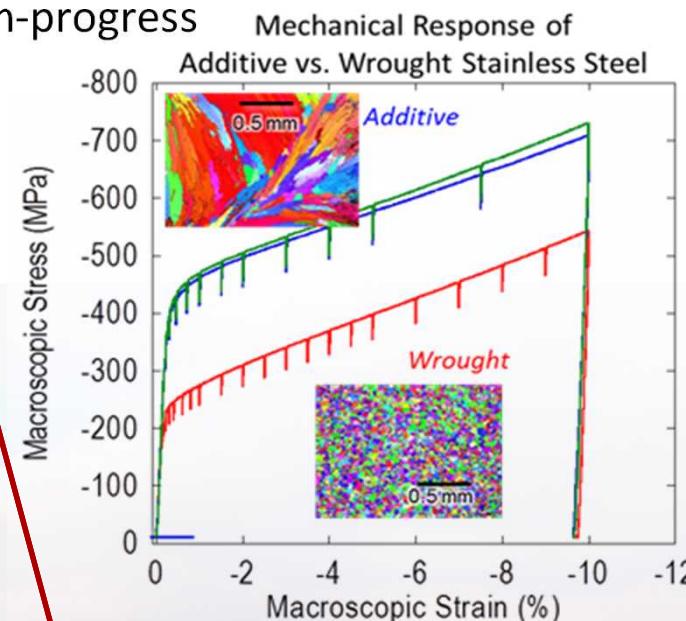
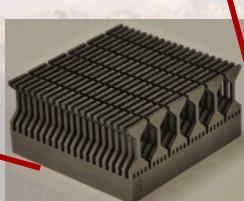
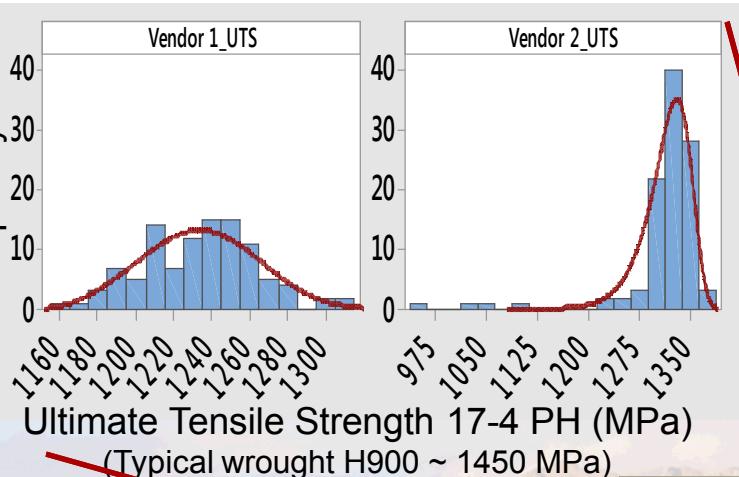
Residual Stress, Materials Properties, and Variability are Important Issues

AM Is Still an Evolving/Emerging Technology

- Residual Stress is a Significant Issue
- Little Available Materials Property/Performance Data (no standards)
- Large Variability in Process and Materials
- Both Experimental & Modeling R&D in-progress



Large Variability in AM Materials Properties



Residual Stress Causes Parts to “Move”



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Sandia Metal/Multi-Material AM Process R&D Laboratory

3D Systems ProX 200
Laser Metal Powder Bed
Machine



Next Generation Custom
Built Hybrid LENS™
System



Aspex Explorer SEM-based
powder particle analyzer

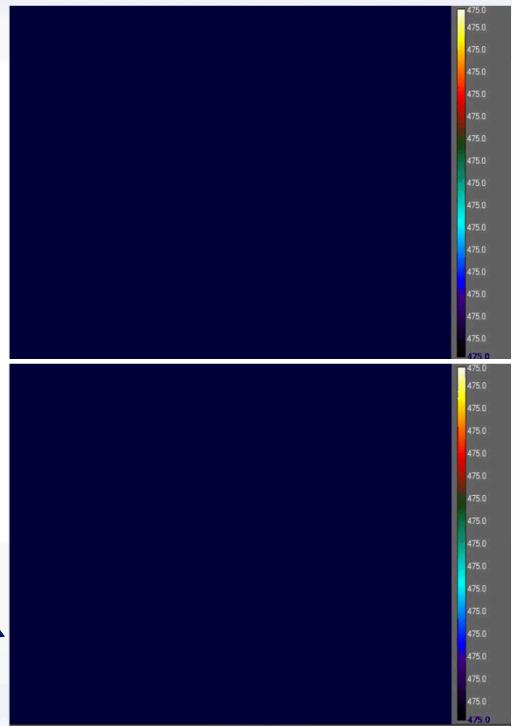
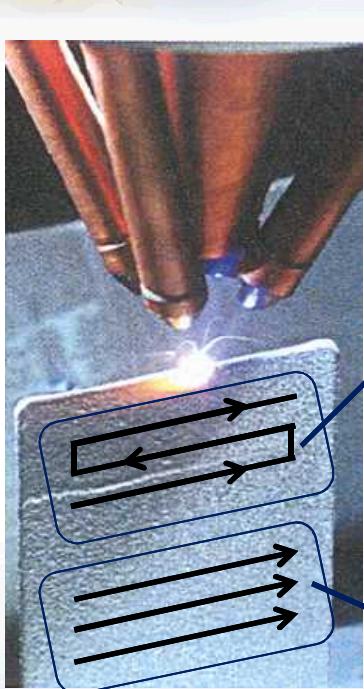


Haas VF2 mill-turn
machine will be Modified
for Multi-Material hybrid
AM, including LENS™

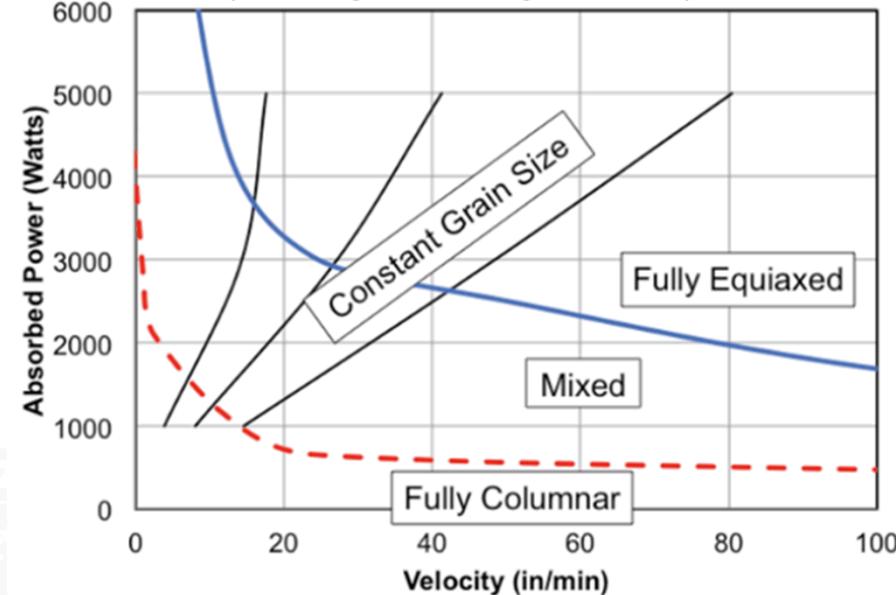


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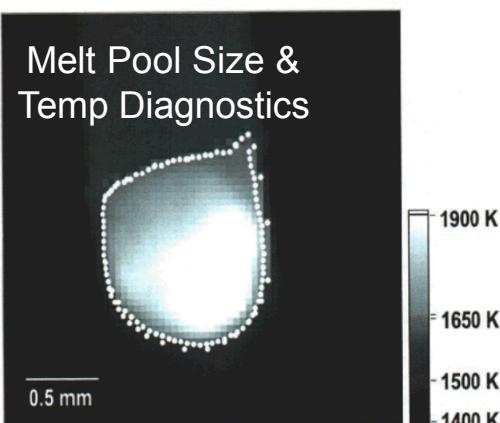
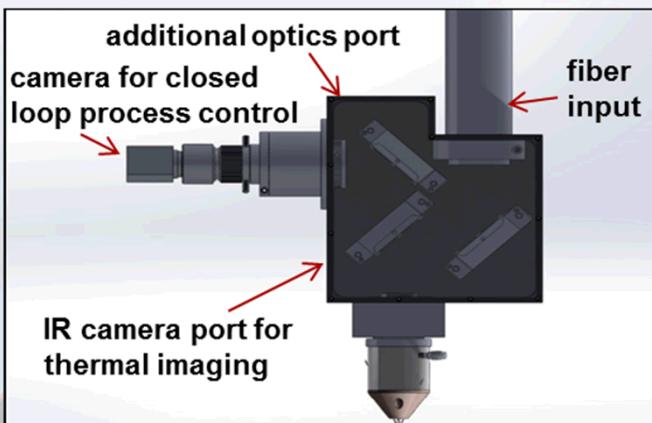
Working to Understand LENS™ Processing-Microstructure Relationships



Processing-Microstructure Relationships (teaming w Carnegie Mellon)



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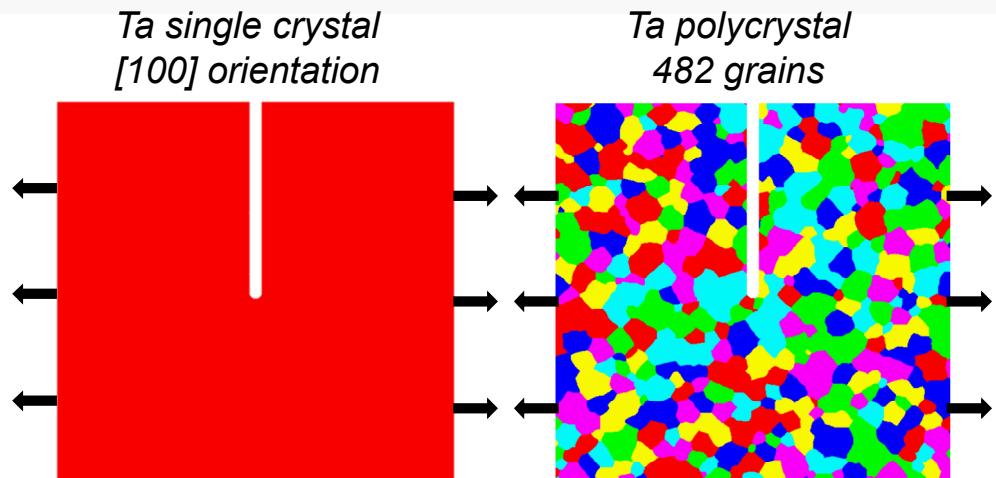
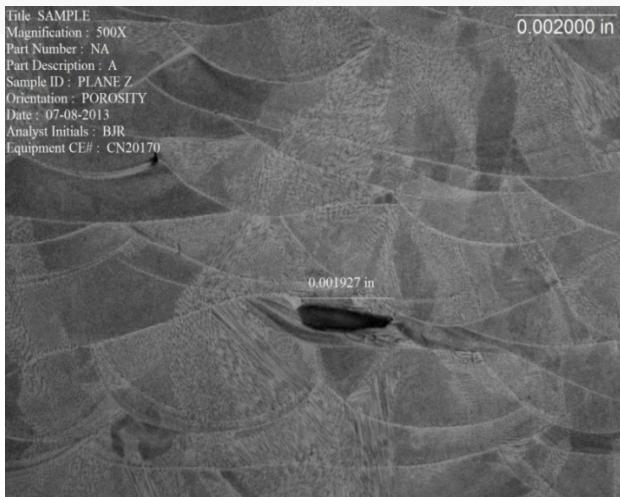


Control melt pool size & temperature to create desired microstructure and reduce variability

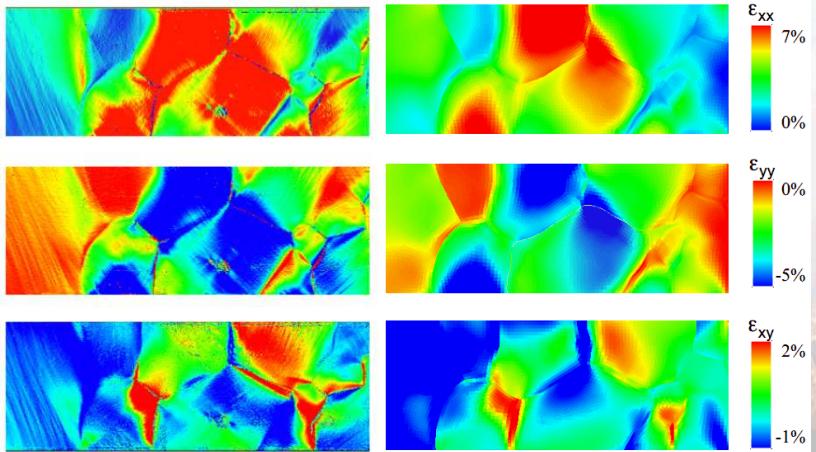


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Modeling Microstructure & Behavior

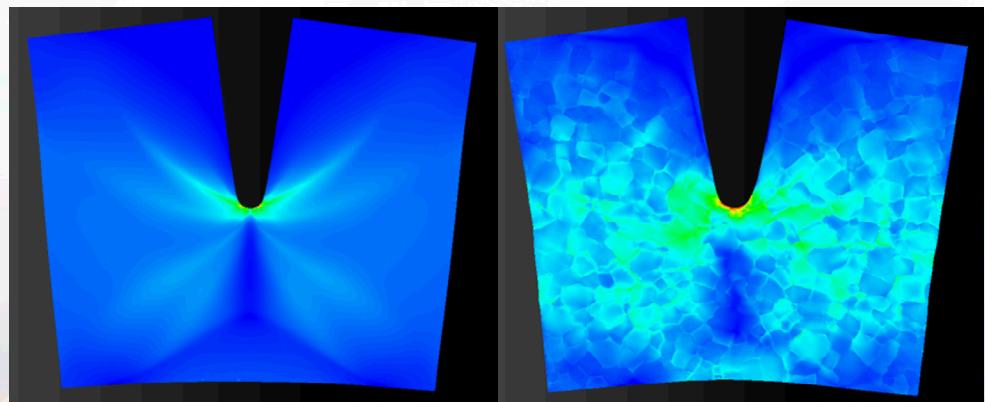


Oligocrystal experiments vs. crystal plasticity models (tensile loading)



Experimental Results

Simulations

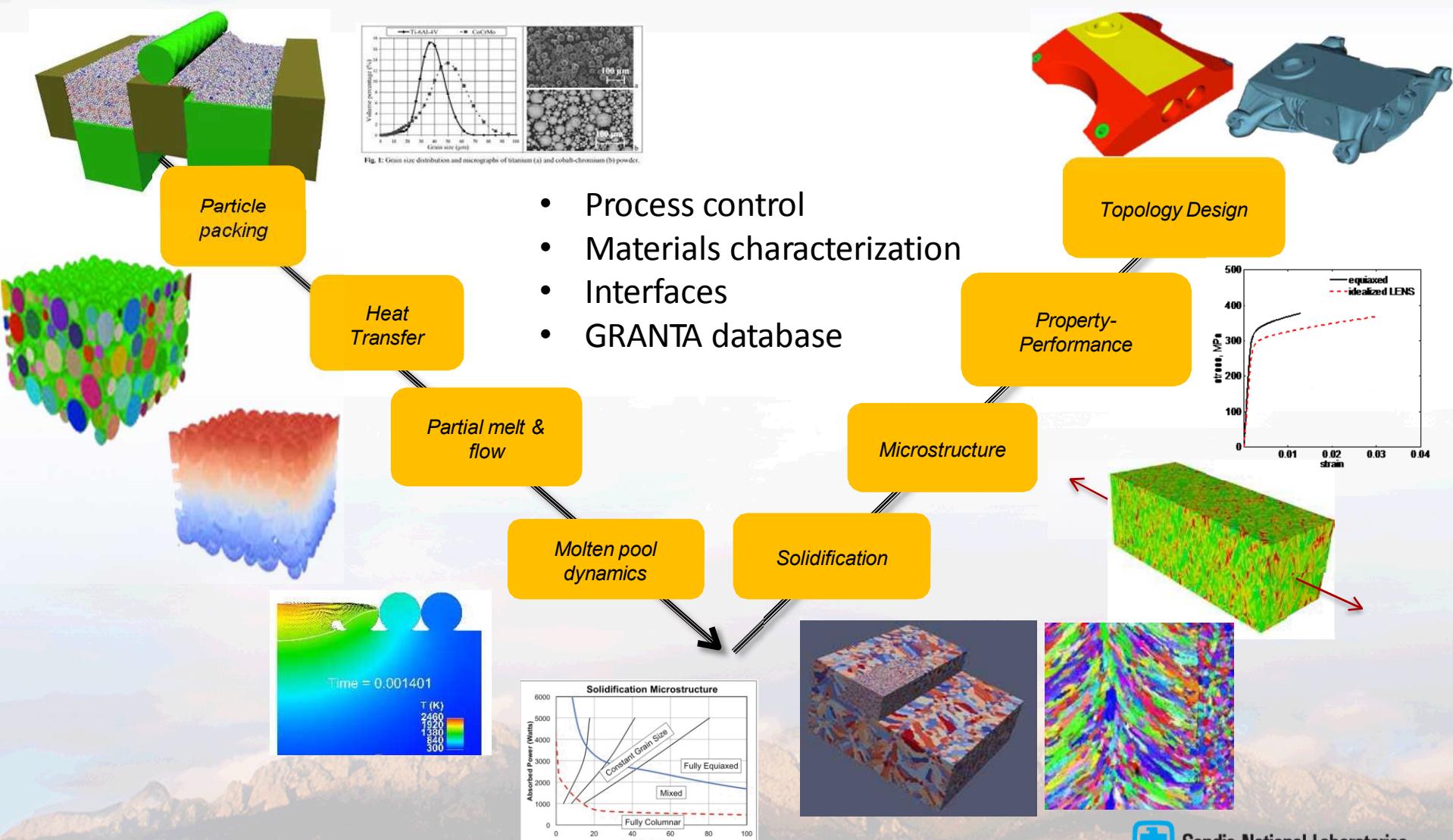


(a) Von Mises stress distributions: single crystal vs. polycrystal



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Ultimate Vision is to Understand/Control
Process → Microstructure → Properties → Performance





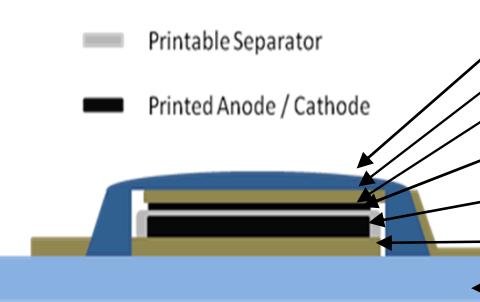
Multi-Material AM





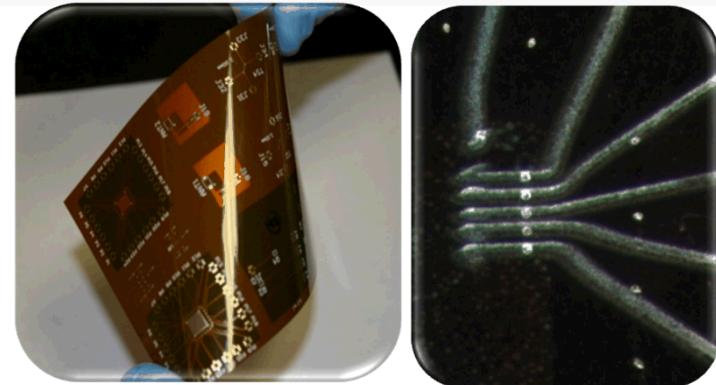
Sandia has Strong Capabilities/Expertise In Printed Electronics

- Printed Encapsulant
- Current Collector
- Printable Separator
- Printed Anode / Cathode

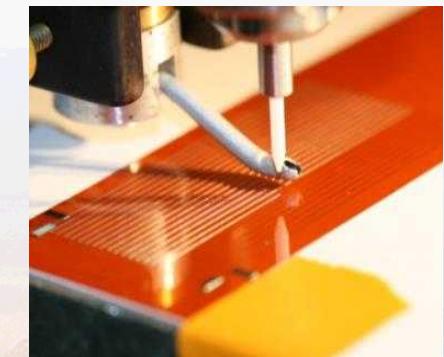
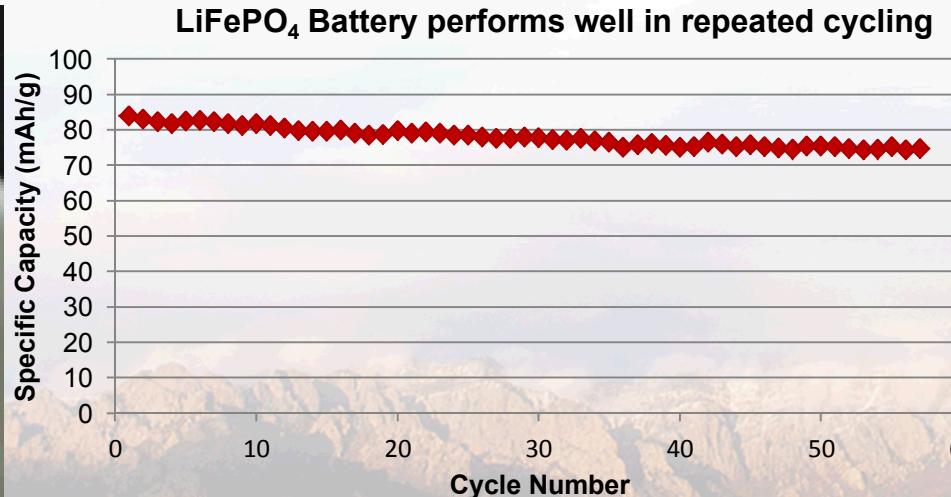


Printed flexible battery

- Encapsulant (DW UV-curable epoxy)
- Current collector (DW carbon ink)
- Anode (DW graphite/carbon)
- Separator (DW mesoporous polymers)
- Cathode (DW LiFePO₄)
- Current collector (DW copper ink)
- Substrate (polyimide)



“Flexible Chips” with
printed wirebonds





Summary

- Sandia has a rich history in AM technology development & commercialization
- Special interest in Design for AM, Materials Assurance, & Multi-Material AM
- Strong, uncommon, experimental and computational capabilities
- Strong interest in teaming with universities in areas of mutual interest



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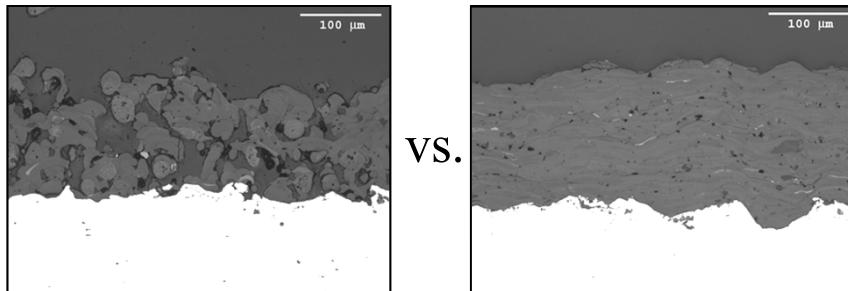
Backup Slides



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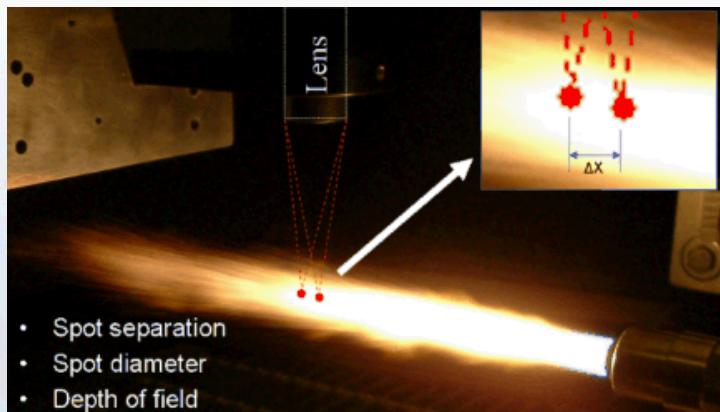
Fundamental Process Understanding is Key to Controlling Variability

Same System, Same Feedstock,



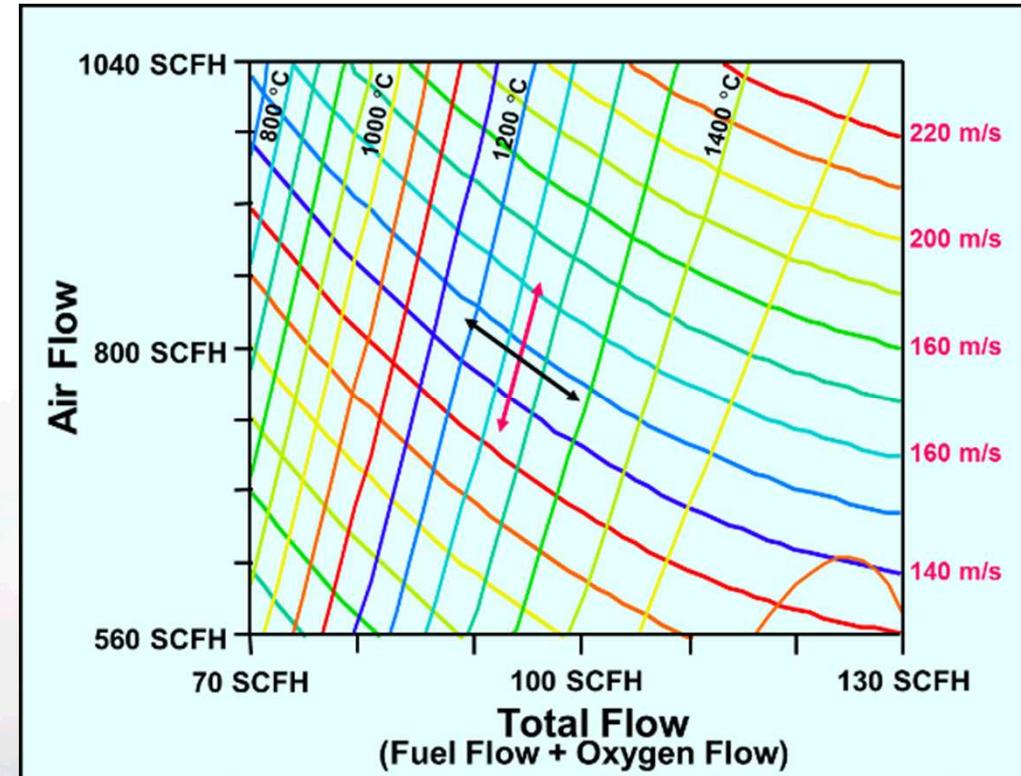
Very Different Results!

- Experimental/computational R&D used to develop processing-microstructure-properties relationships



Process Diagnostics/Monitoring

Fundamental process understanding enables
closed-loop control based on droplet
temperature and velocity to reduce variability

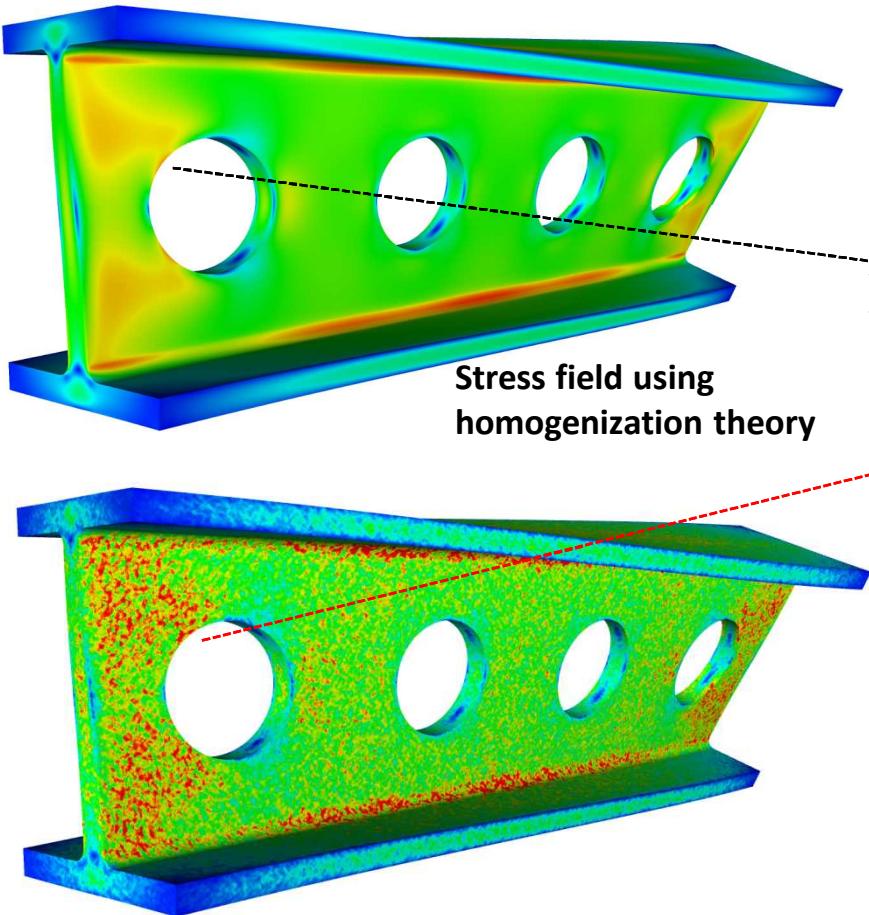


Response surface showing relationships between
Process Inputs (Air Flow, Fuel Flow, Oxygen Flow) and
Critical Outputs (droplet temperature, droplet velocity)



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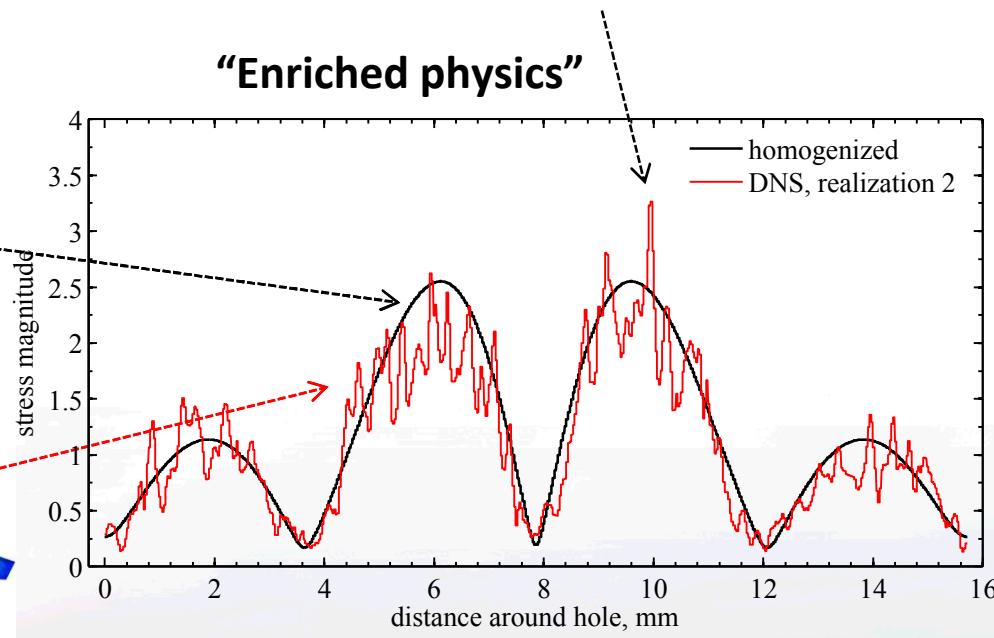
Microstructure Influences Variability & Failure



Stress field using Direct Numerical Simulation

J. E. Bishop

Homogenization theory misses local details - potential fracture initiation



- Homogenization filters physics necessary to predict failure
- Microstructure influences peak stress



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