

Additive Manufacturing at Sandia -- New Opportunities & Technical Challenges

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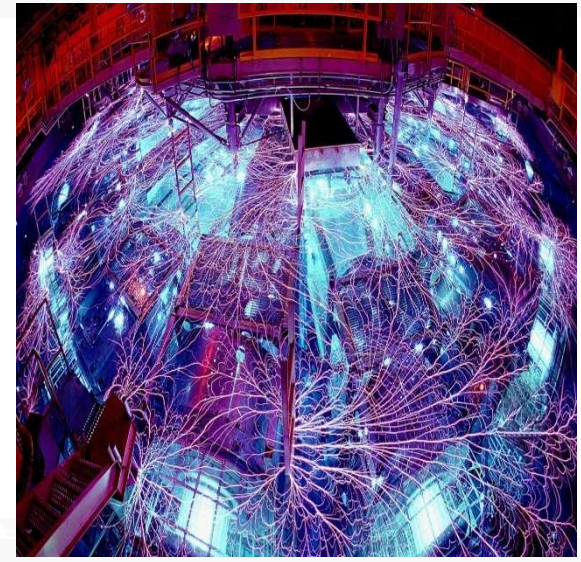
Sled Track Test



Albuquerque Labs



Z- Machine



- ~11,000 employees, ~\$3.2B FY17 Budget
- Historical mission -- non-nuclear components of nuclear weapons & weapon system integration
- Today, much broader mission in applied science & engineering for 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

Sandia Materials & Process Science

Activities Range from Basic R&D to Specialized Production

- *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
- *Materials & Process Advanced Development*
 - Advanced & exploratory materials & process development
 - Production process development & technology transfer
- *Materials Engineering Support*
 - Materials & process selection/optimization
 - Problem solving, production support
 - Understanding the margins

300+ Staff, ~\$100M FY17



Multiple Large Materials R&D Facilities

Center for Integrated Nano Technologies Adv. Materials & Processes Lab Integrated Materials Research Lab



30+ Years of Sandia AM Technology Development & Commercialization

FastCast *

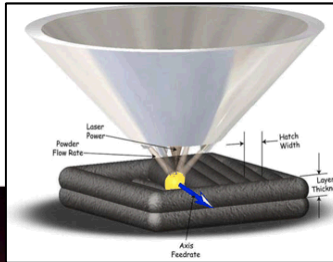
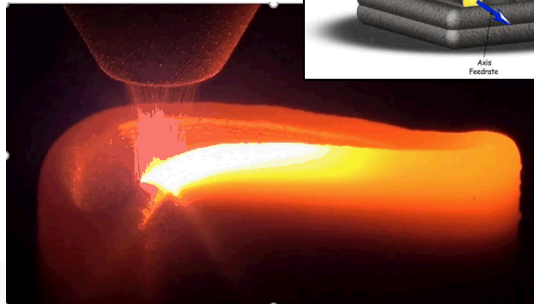
Development Housing



Laser Engineered Net Shaping *

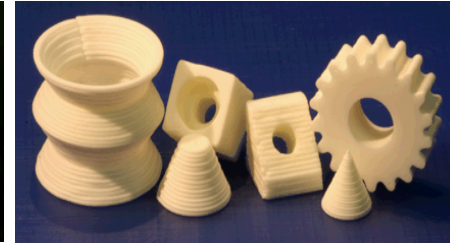
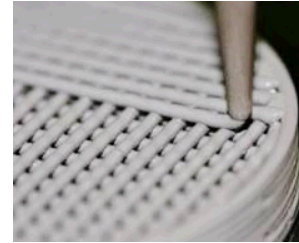
LENS®

LENS Blade



RoboCast *

Ceramic Parts

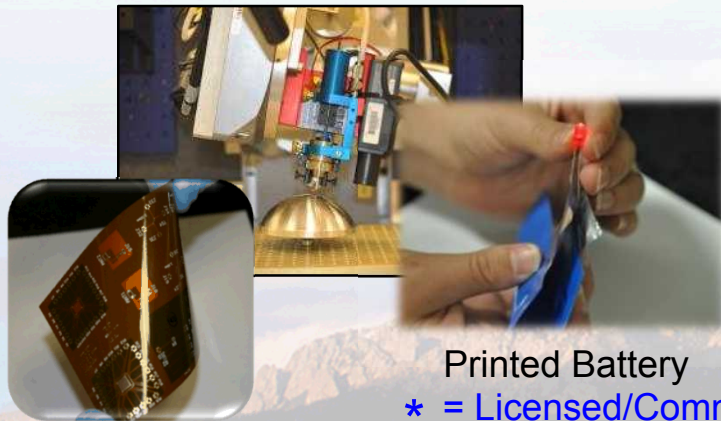


Energetic Materials



Direct Write

Conformal Printing



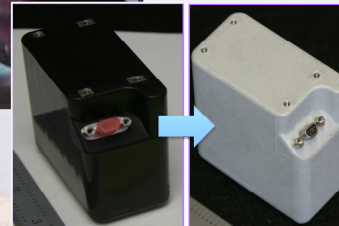
Printed Battery

Flexible Electronics

Thermal Spray



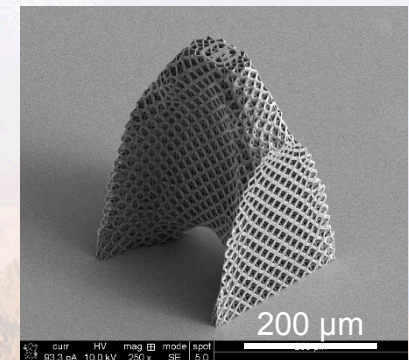
Spray-formed Rocket Nozzle



Metal on Plastic

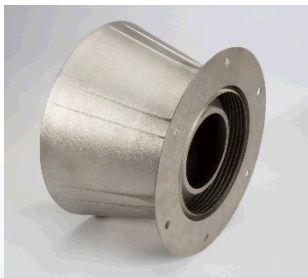
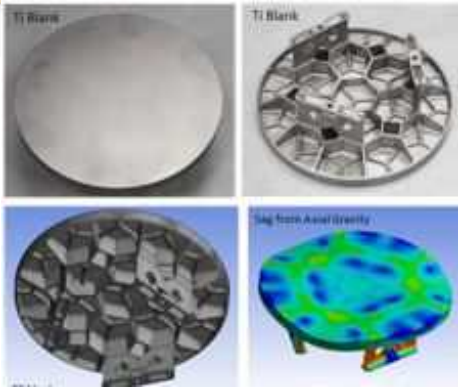
Micro-Nano Scale AM

Lattice Structure



* = Licensed/Commercialized Sandia AM technologies
Underline = Current Capability/Activity

Lightweight Telescope Demonstrator



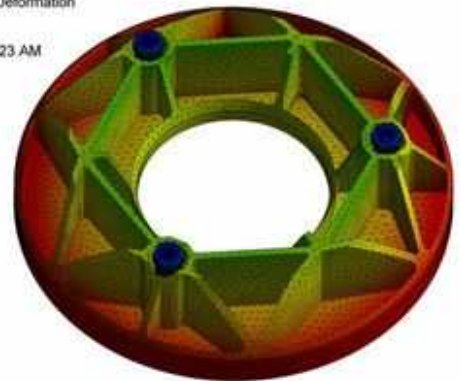
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Type: Equivalent (von-Mises) Stress
Unit: MPa
Time: 1
6/19/2014 8:52 AM

30.045 Max
25.149
23.215
21.281
19.346
17.412
15.477
13.543
11.608
9.6741
7.7396
5.8052
3.8708
1.9363
0.0019158 Min



Total Deformation
Type: Total Deformation
Unit: μm
Time: 1
6/19/2014 9:23 AM

43 Max
38.2
33.5
28.7
23.9
19.1
14.3
9.56
4.78
0 Min



- More than 80 AM parts in the final assembly
- Additional 20+ parts for tooling, fixturing, rapid development

Sandia Hand - AM Enabled Innovative Design and Substantial Cost Reduction

(~50% of hand built with AM)

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



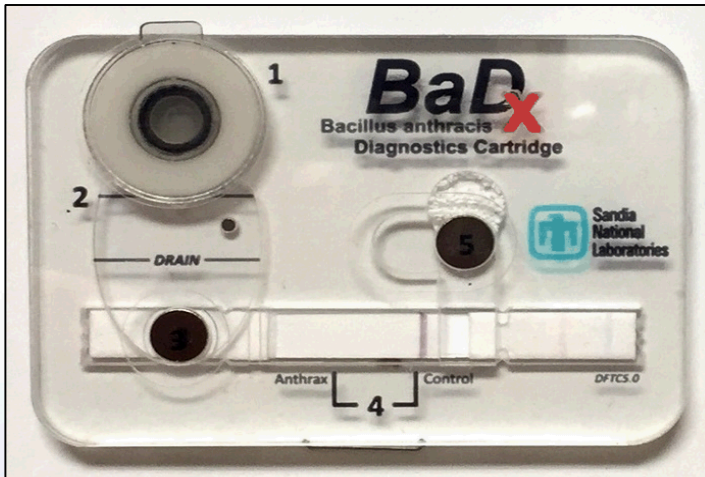
Fingers or other tools (e.g., drills) can be quickly magnetically attached in many configurations



Inexpensive/Portable Chem Labs

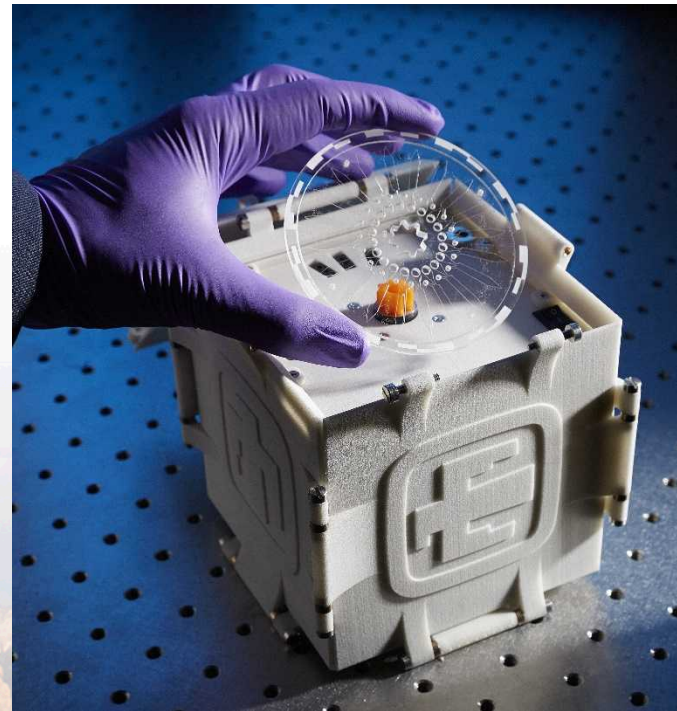
BaDx Anthrax Tester

- Microfluidic platform for bacterial detection
- AM enabled rapid/inexpensive design iterations
- Self-contained, credit card-sized “Lab in a Pocket”



SpinDx “Lab on a Disk”

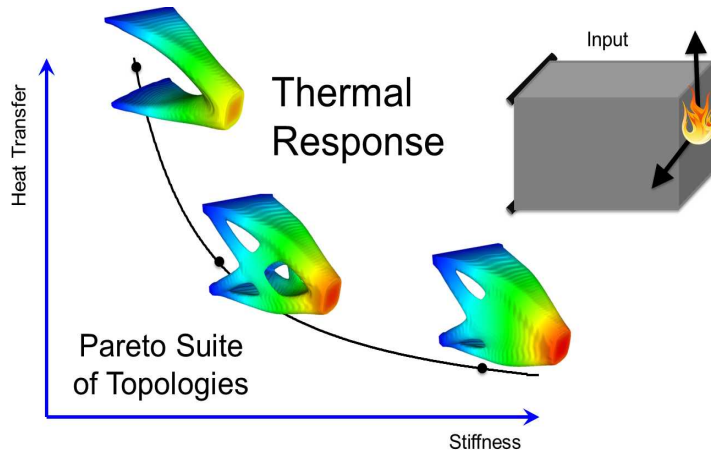
- Broad applications -- detection of drugs, food & water safety, medical diagnostics, and bio-agent detection
- Licensed to Lifelog Technologies Inc. for commercialization



† Edwards *et al. Biomicrofluidics* 2011, 5, 044115.

Three Primary Areas of Emphasis in Ongoing Sandia AM R&D

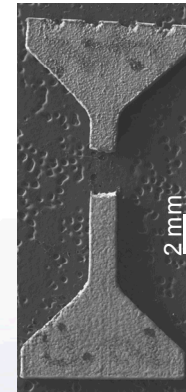
FY17 Sandia AM: >80 Projects, ~\$20M Total Investment, ~50/50 R&D vs. Applications



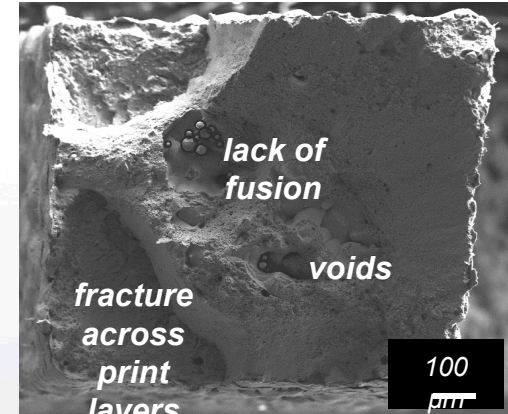
Engineering Analysis Driven Design (Computer created/optimized AM design - PLATO)



Materials Reliability (Assure/quantify reliability of AM materials)



17-8 PH SS,
H900, "brittle"
fracture



Failure at 2% elongation



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

Encapsulant (DW UV-curable epoxy)
Current collector (DW carbon ink)
Anode (DW graphite/carbon)
Separator (DW mesoporous polymers)
Cathode (DW LiFePO_4)
Current collector (DW copper ink)
Substrate (polyimide)

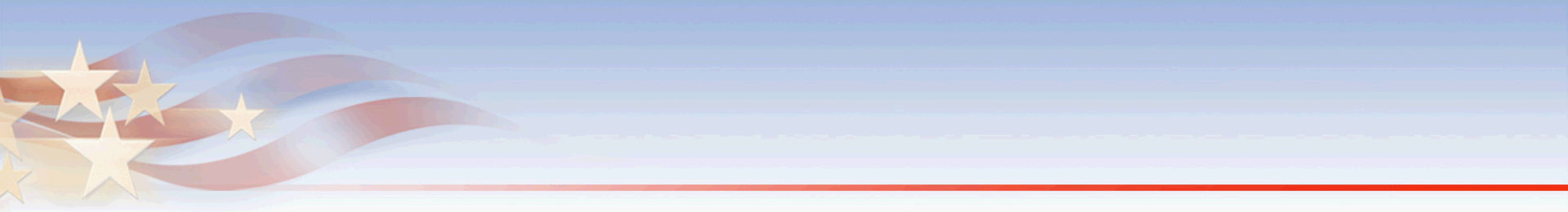
Printed LiFePO_4 Battery

Multi-Material Additive Manufacturing

(Printed electronics, packaging, ceramics, ...)



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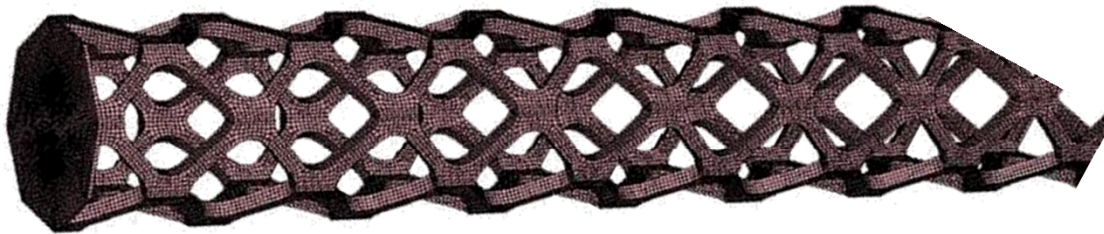
Design/Analysis Tools



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

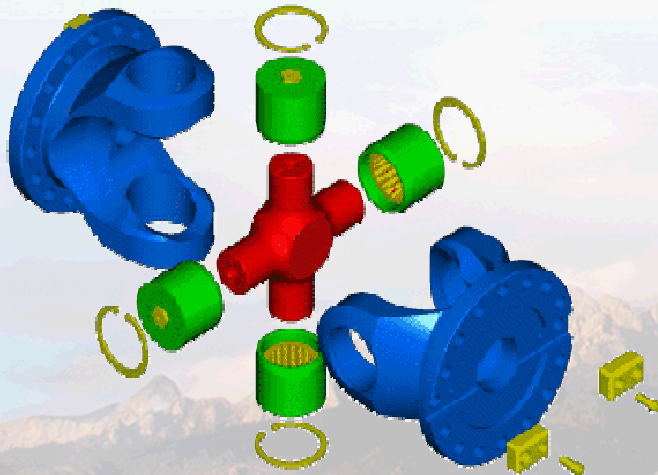
“Titanium Cholla” LDRD -- Minimum Weight, Maximum Strength, Rapidly Manufactured!



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



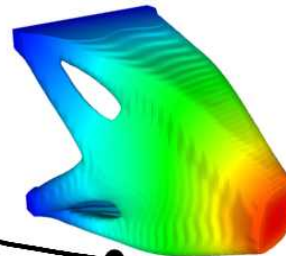
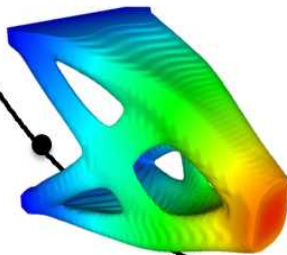
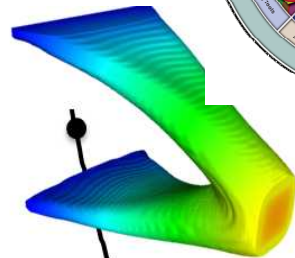
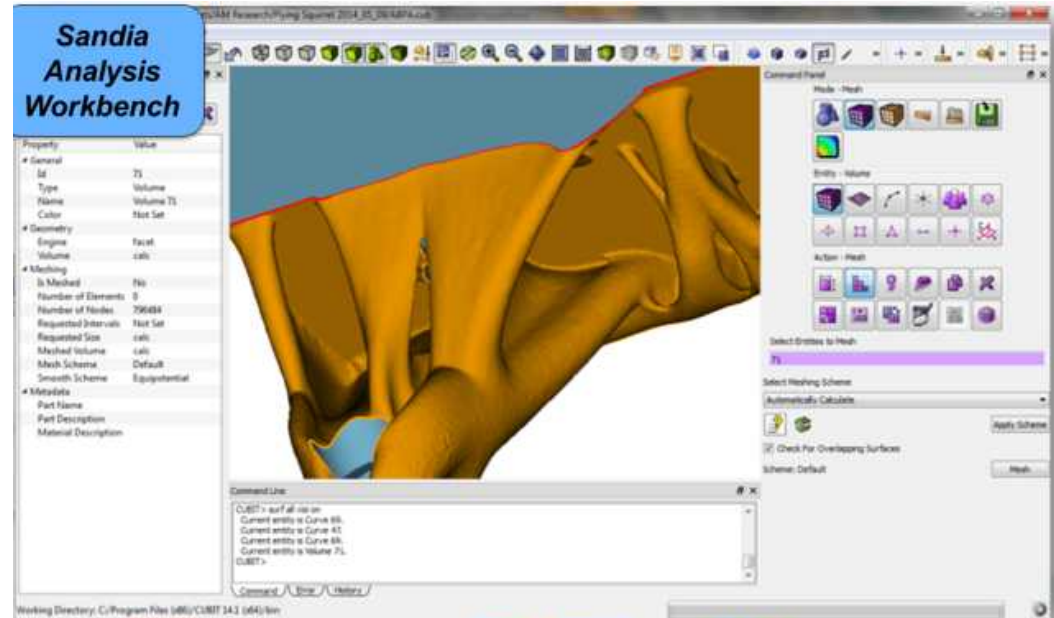
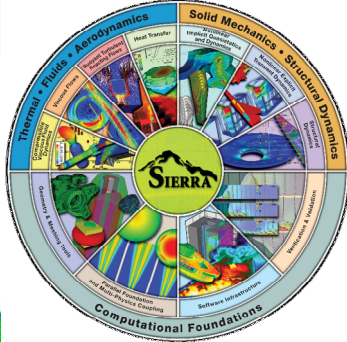
Core of a dead Cholla cactus (optimized designs often resemble natural structures -- bio-mimicry)



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

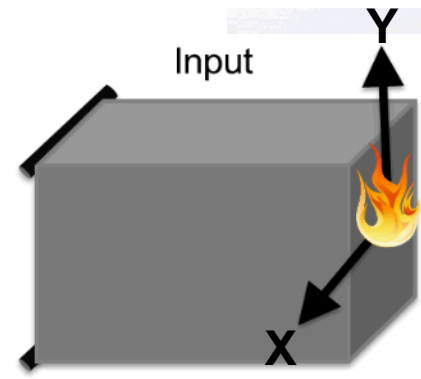
AM Design Via Functional Prioritization

User Friendly Interface

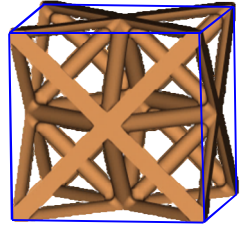


Pareto Suite
of Topologies

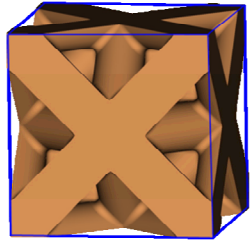
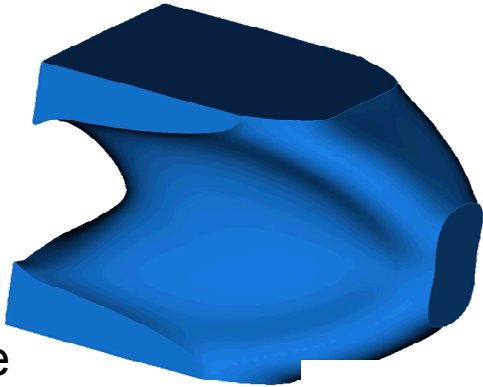
Stiffness



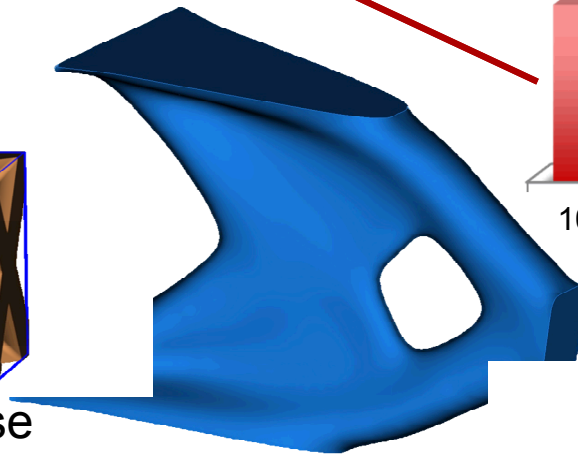
Optimizing Stiffness at Fixed Mass



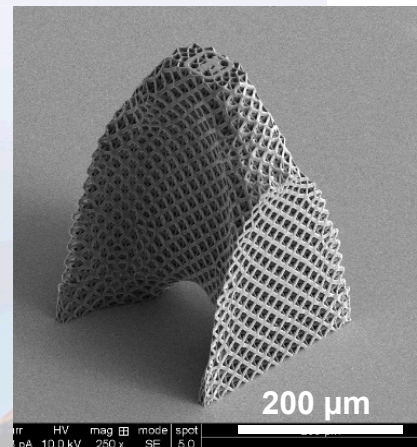
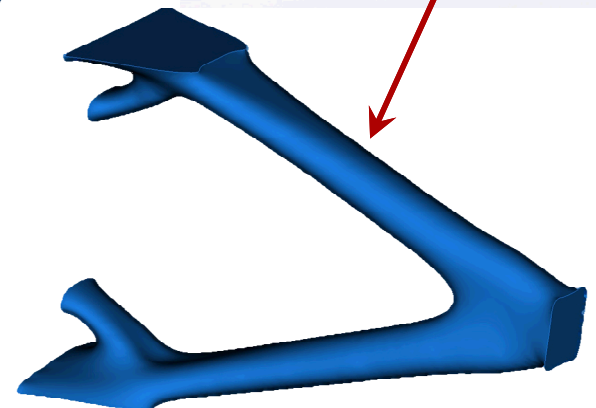
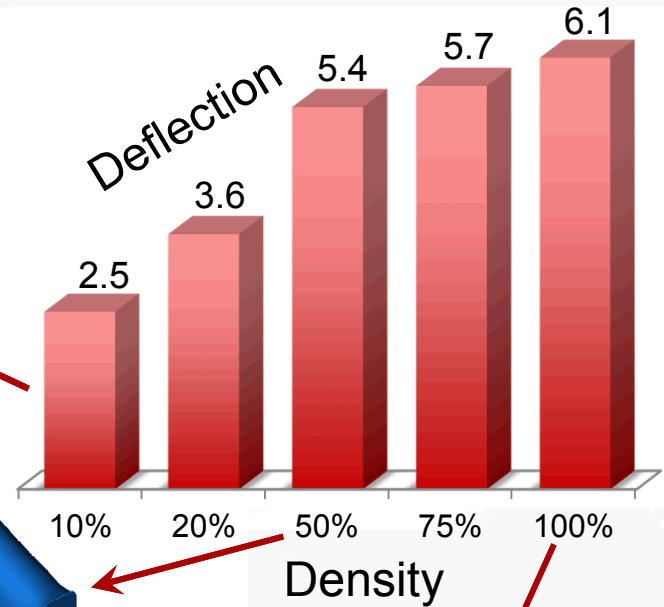
10% Dense



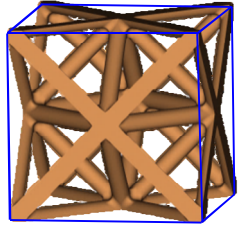
50% Dense



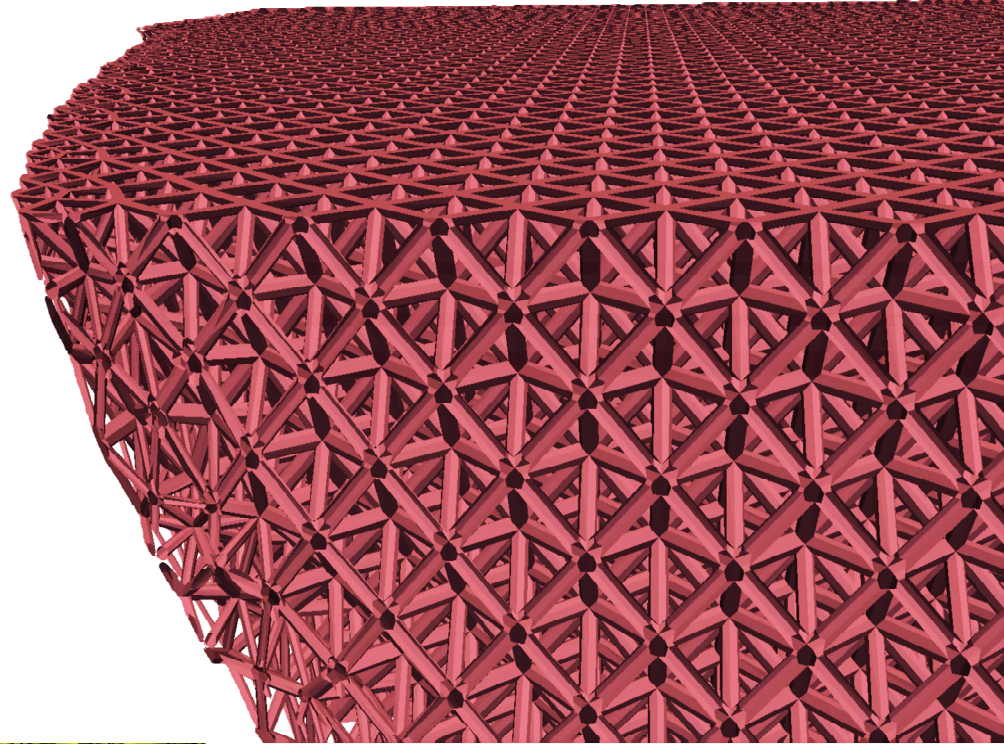
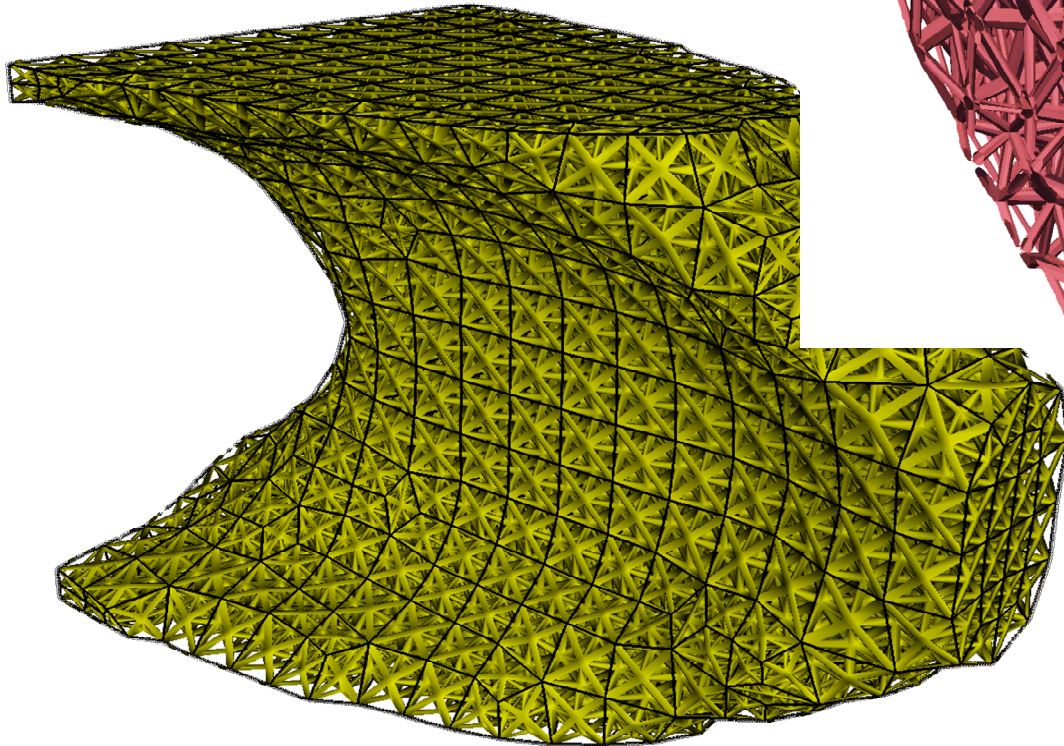
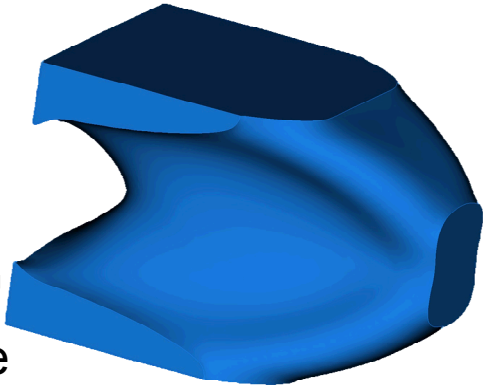
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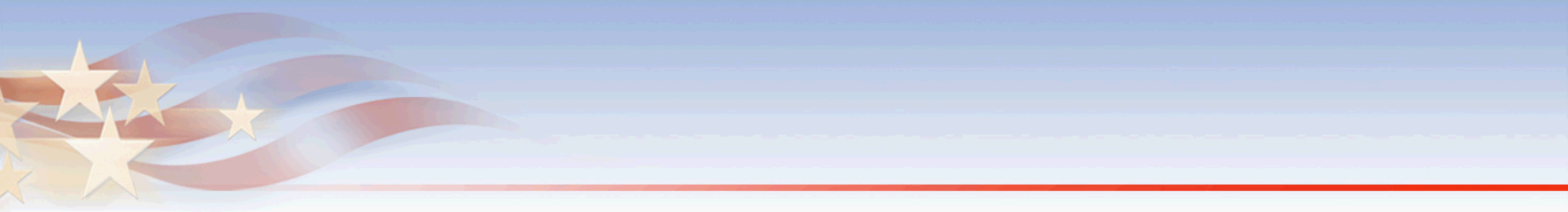


Creating Curved Surfaces with no "Loose Ends"



10% Dense





Materials Reliability

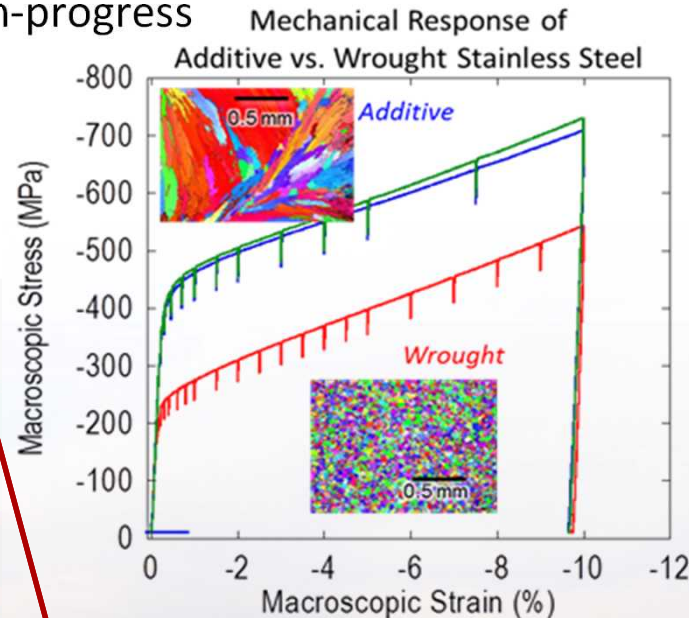
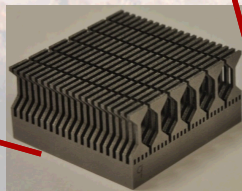
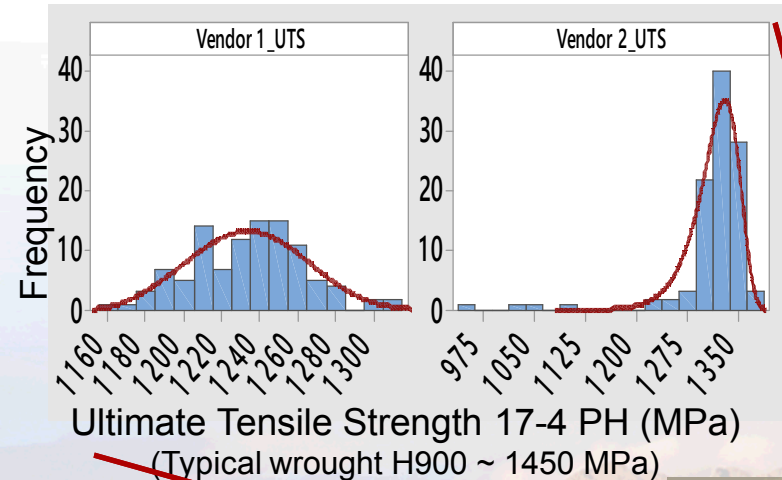


Residual Stress, Materials Properties, and Variability are Important Issues

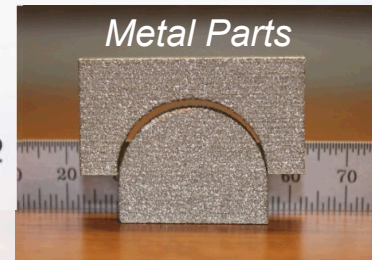
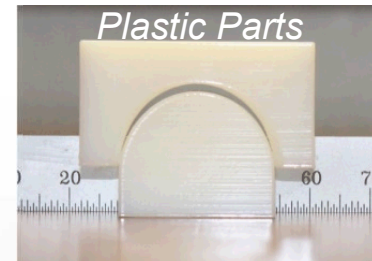
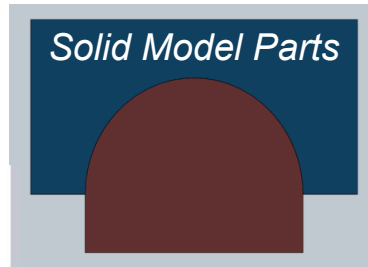
AM Is Still an Evolving/Emerging Technology

- 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



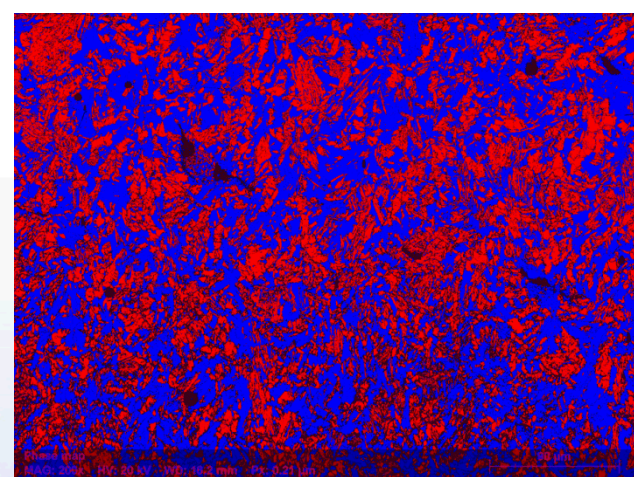
AM Metals are Unlike Cast or Wrought Metals



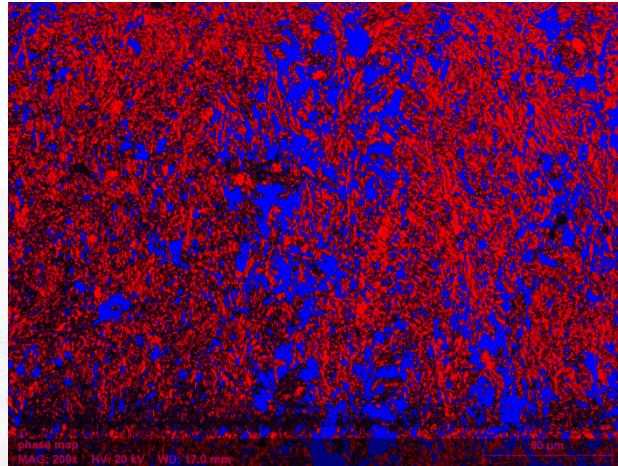
Residual Stress Causes Parts to "Move"

Retained Austenite in 17-4 PH Stainless When Using Nitrogen Gas Atomized Powder

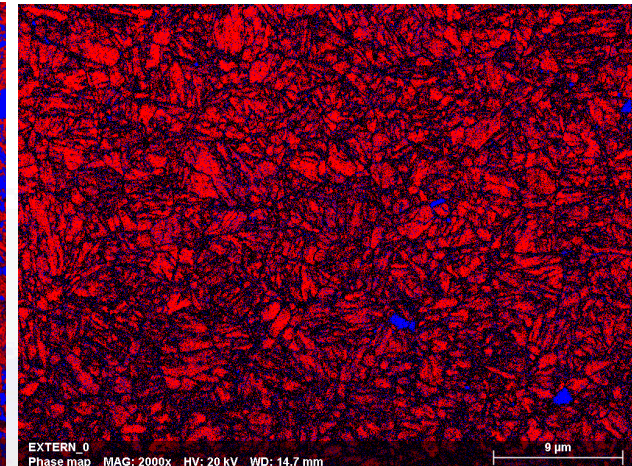
- Anomalous phase composition in AM vs. wrought 17-4 PH Stainless
 - Large fraction of retained austenite after solution heat treatment + H900 age
 - Cryo treatment to -196°C for 5 min still does not transform austenite



As-printed, 47% Austenite



SHT + H900 Age, 43% Austenite

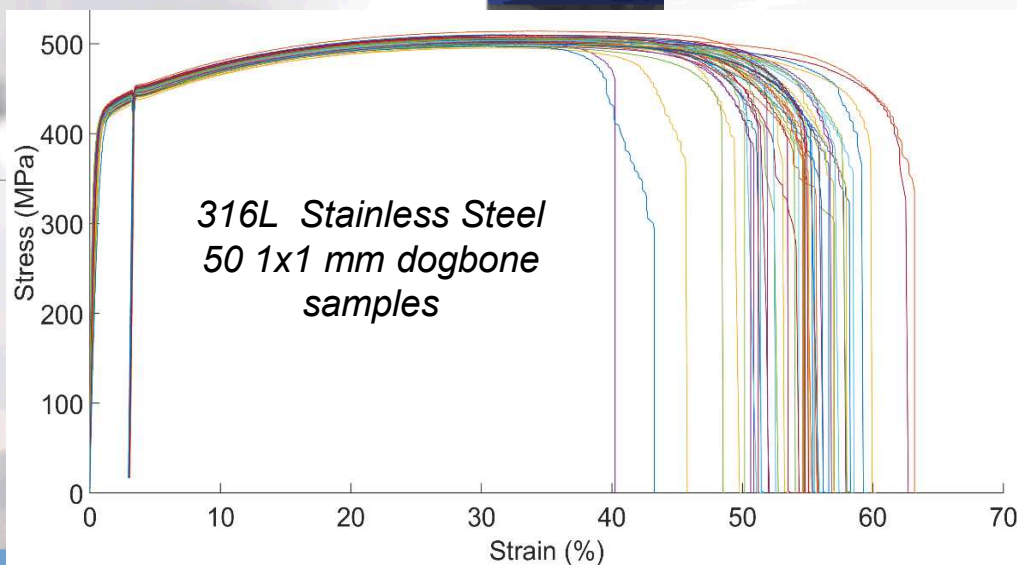
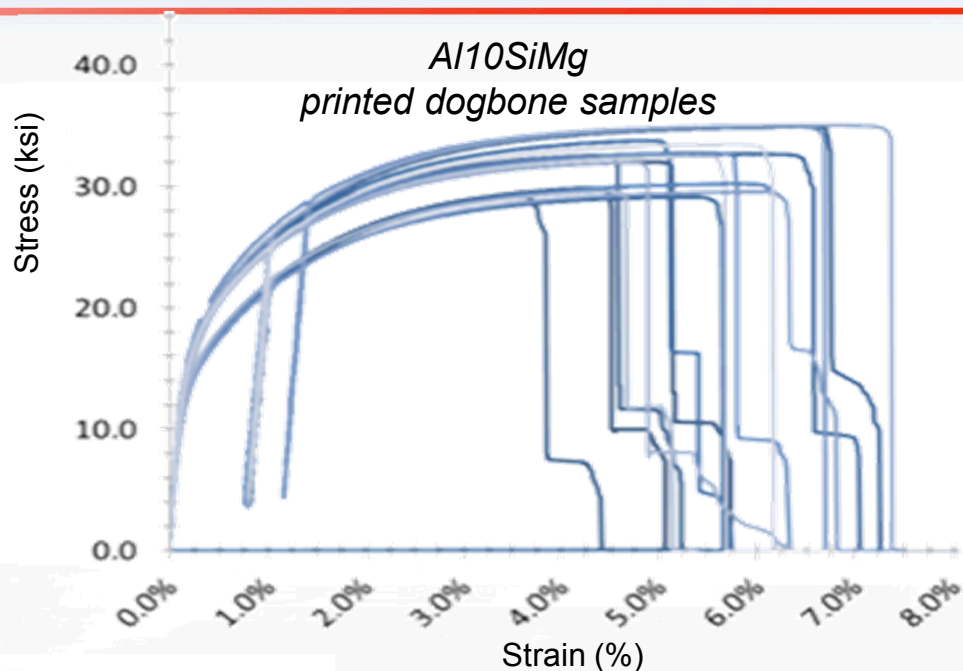


*Wrought Sheet is Predominantly
Fine-grained Martensite*

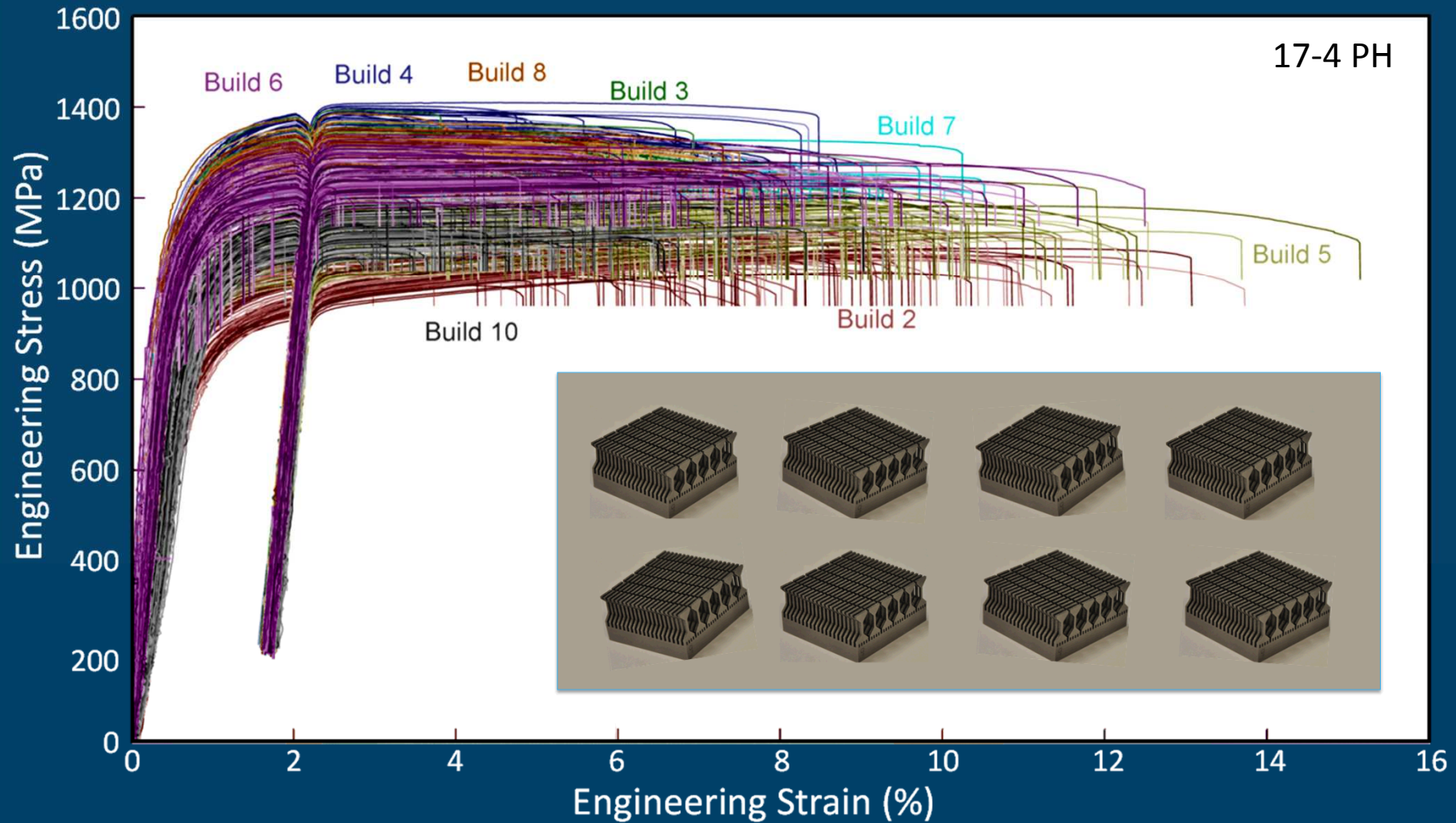
Blue = austenite (FCC), **Red** = martensite / ferrite (BCC), **Black** = not indexed

High-Throughput Testing Used to Address Variability

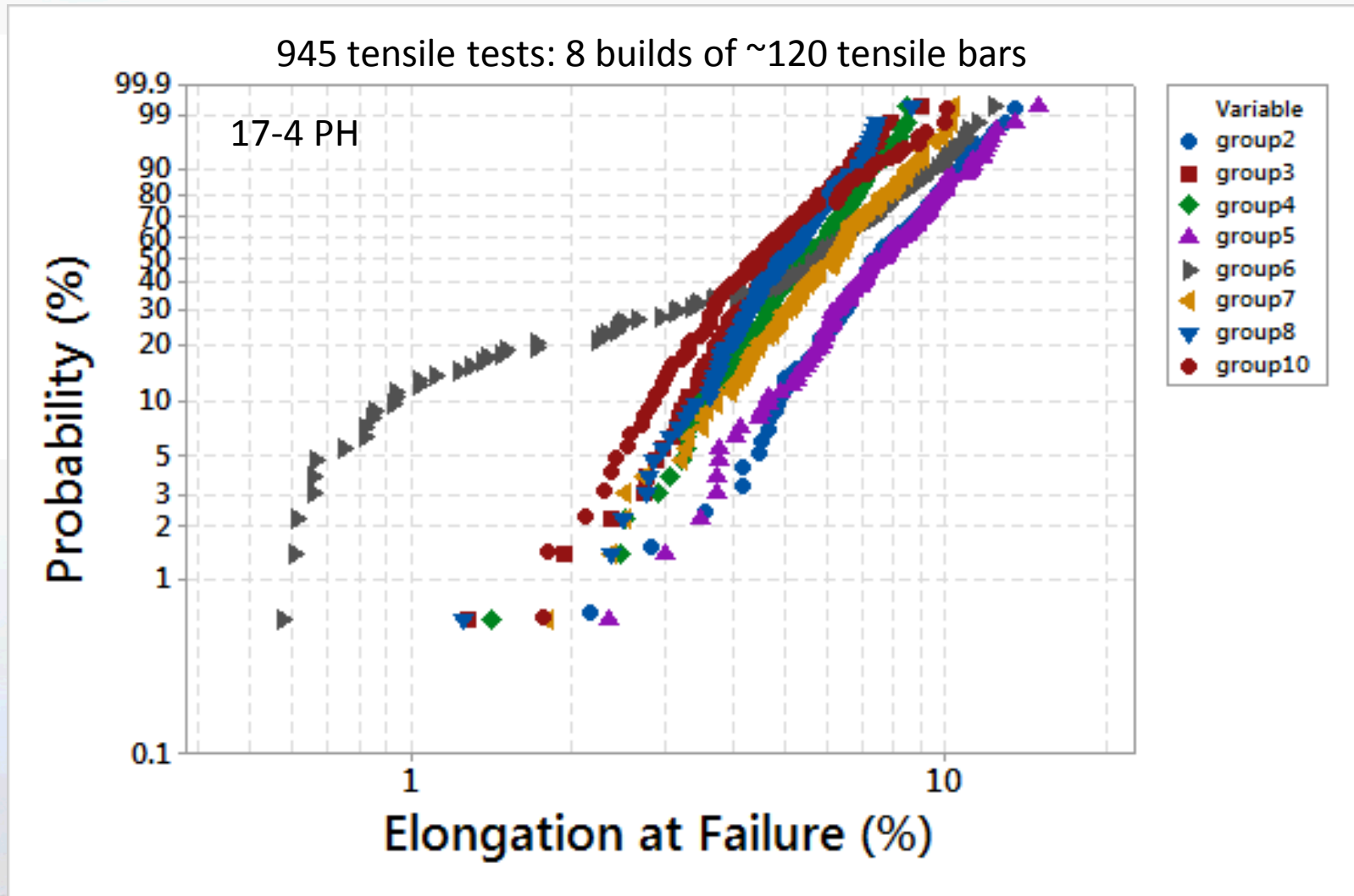
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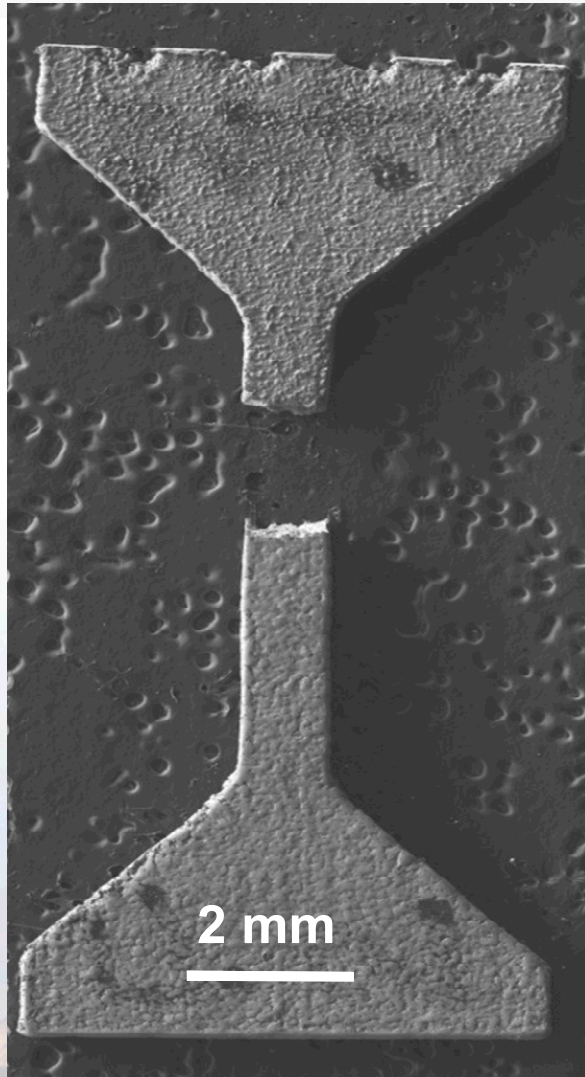
945 Tensile Tests from 8 Nominally Identical Builds



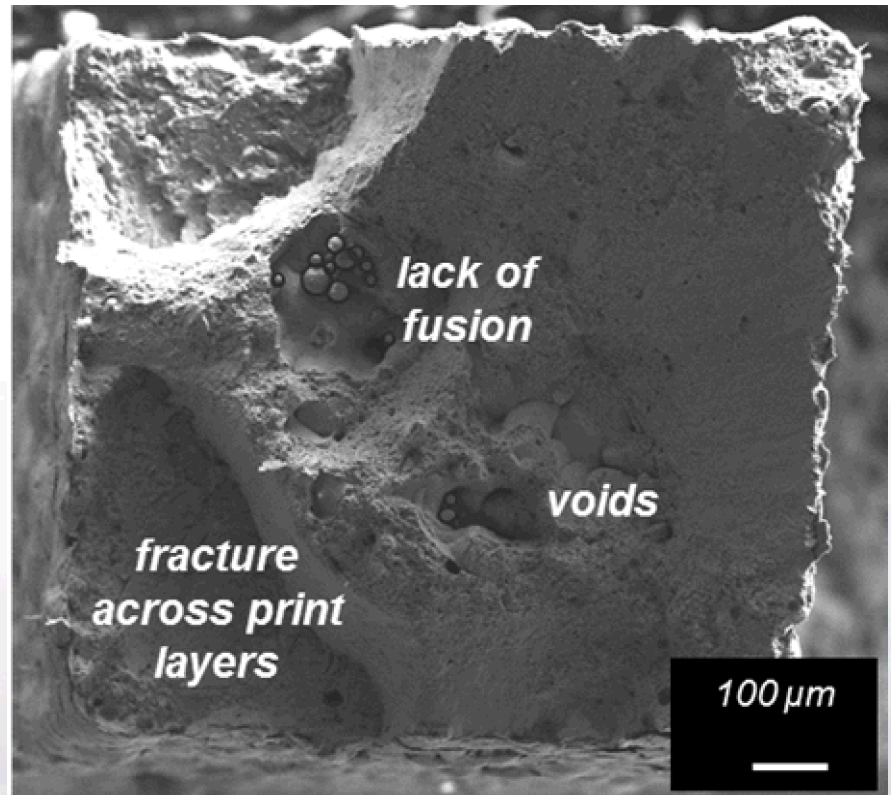
Weibull Analysis of Variation in Ductility



Common Types of Defects



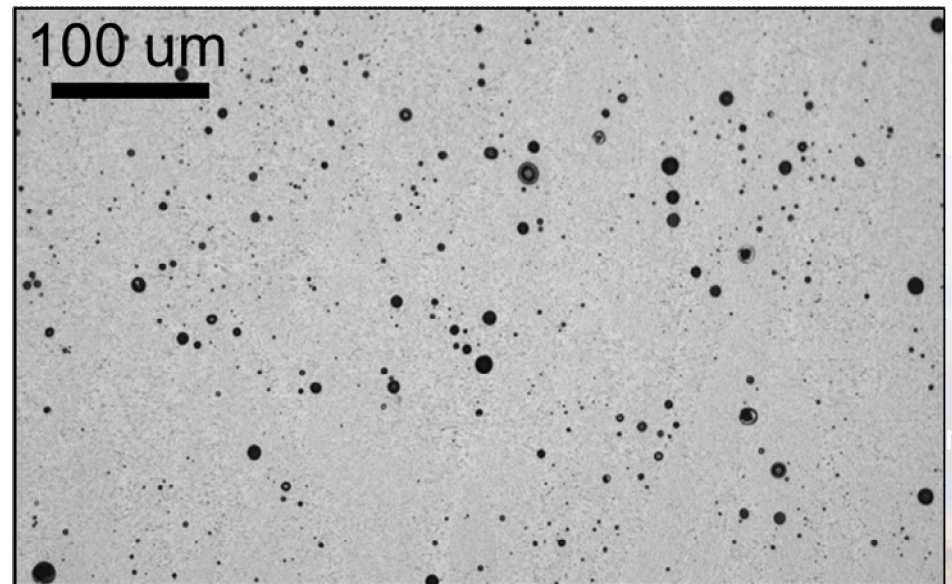
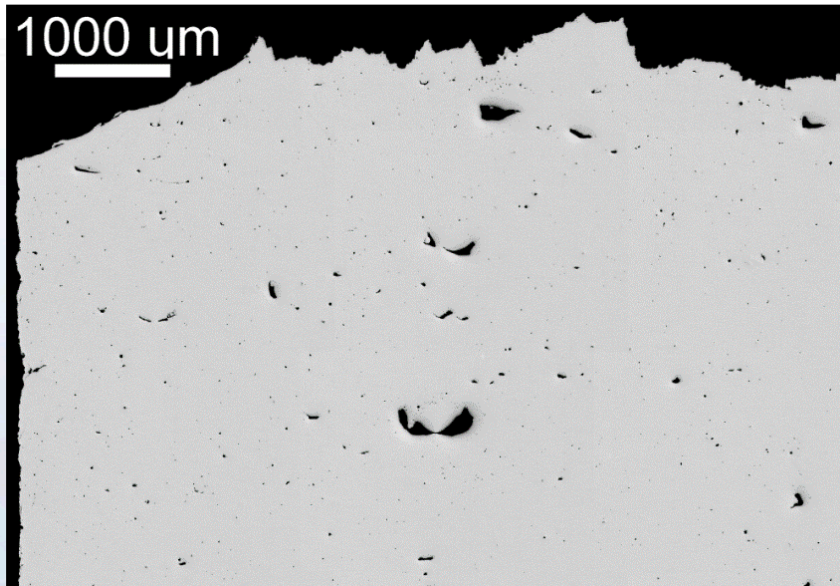
17-4 PH SS, H900 “brittle” fracture



Failure at 2% elongation

Metallographic Porosity (RoboMET.3D™)

- Technique characteristics
 - Destructive - automated serial sectioning/imaging
 - Image analysis to measure porosity
 - “Gold Standard” for porosity measurement
- Two basic types of porosity in AM AlSi10Mg
 - Lack of fusion (from the process) irregular, ~ 10+ to 500+ microns
 - Gas porosity (from the powder) spherical, < ~10 microns

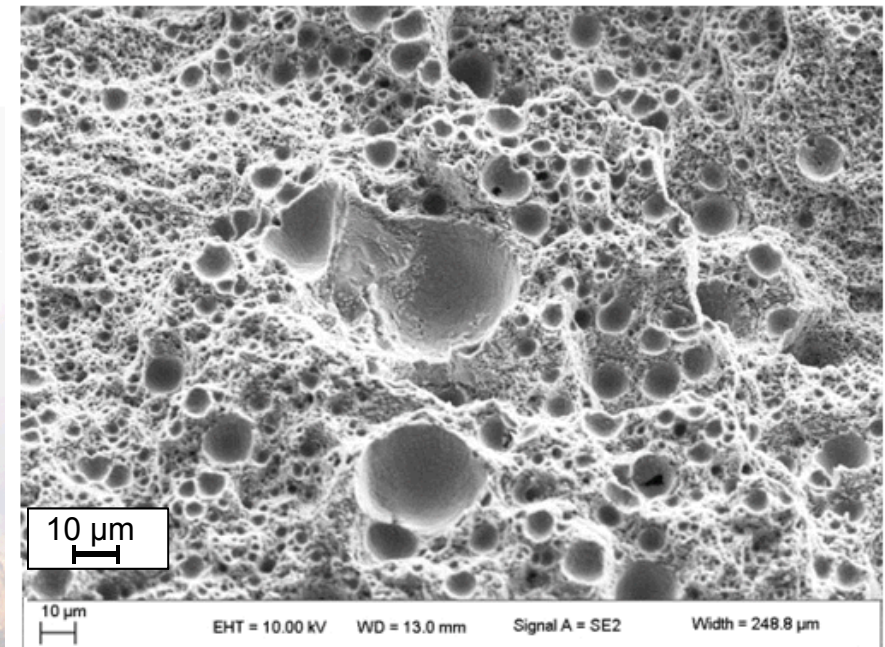
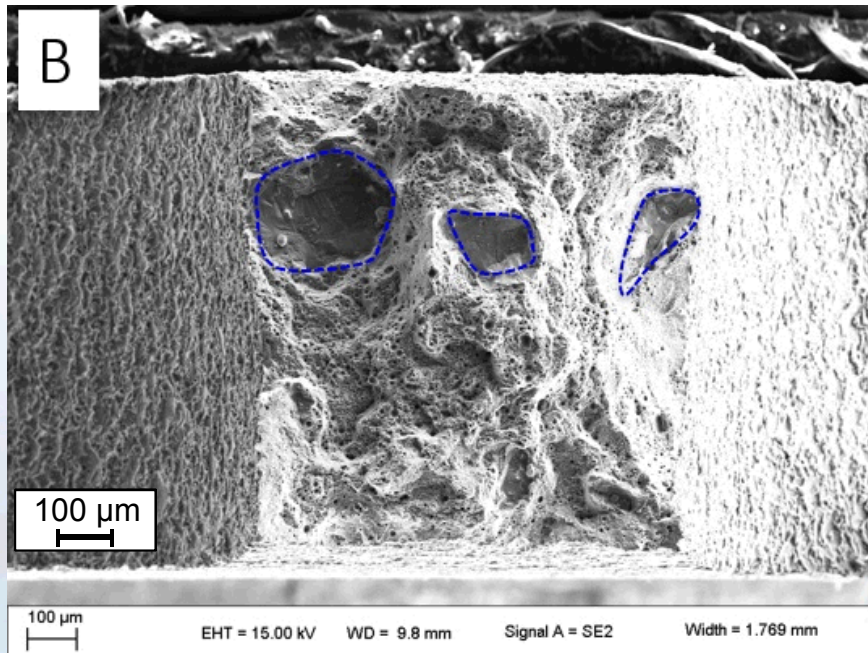
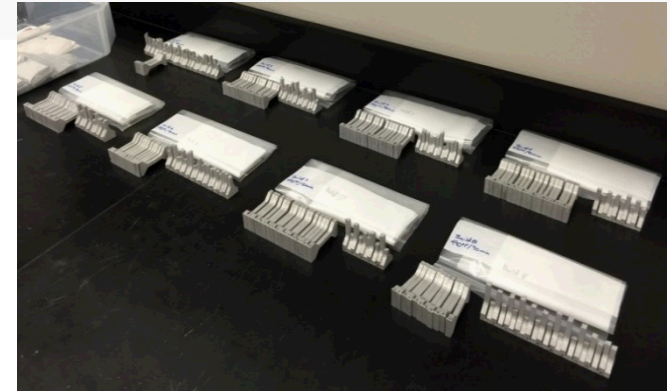


(note 10X difference in magnification between these two images)  Sandia National Laboratories

Fracture Surface Porosity

■ Technique characteristics

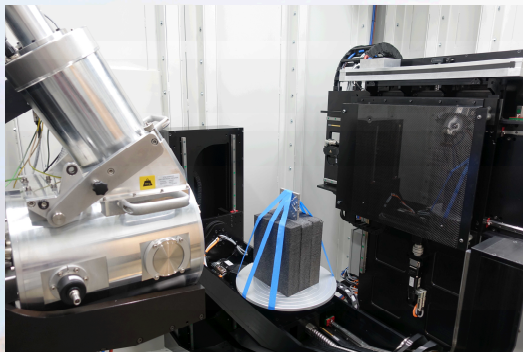
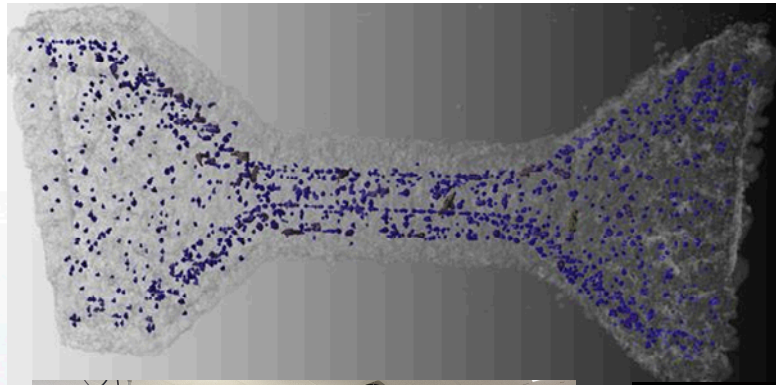
- Fractured sample (destructive)
- Biased sampling, may not be representative of bulk
- Human/manual, subjective selection of porosity
- Magnification effect on data



Computed Tomography Porosity

■ Technique characteristics

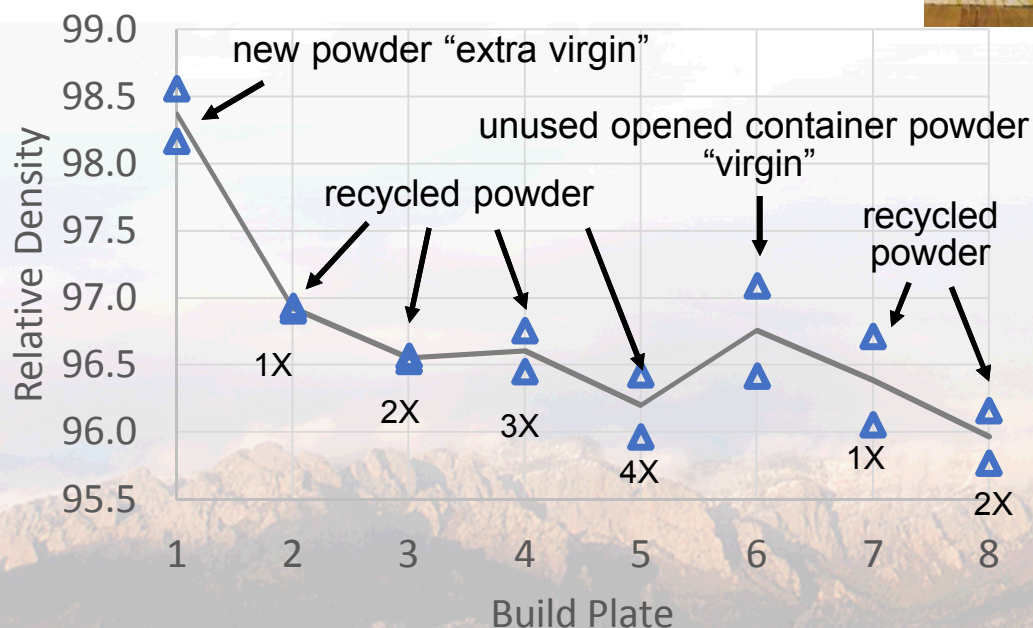
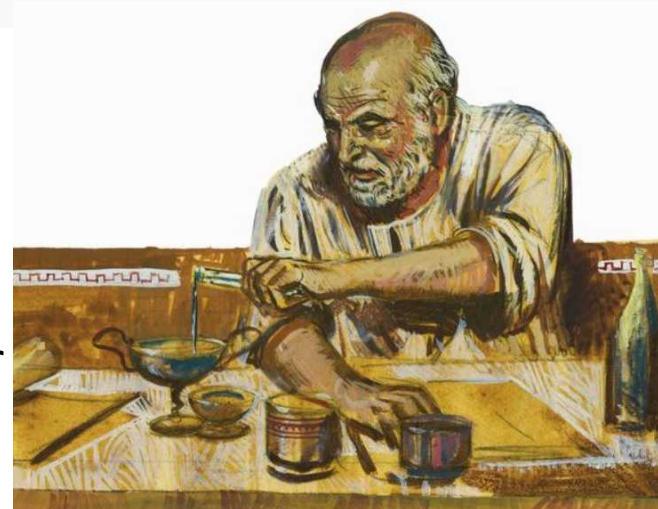
- Nondestructive
- Amenable sample – X-rays have to be able to penetrate
- Resolution/time can be issues; i.e., resolution/speed tradeoff
- May not detect very small (gas) porosity or pores filled with unmelted powder



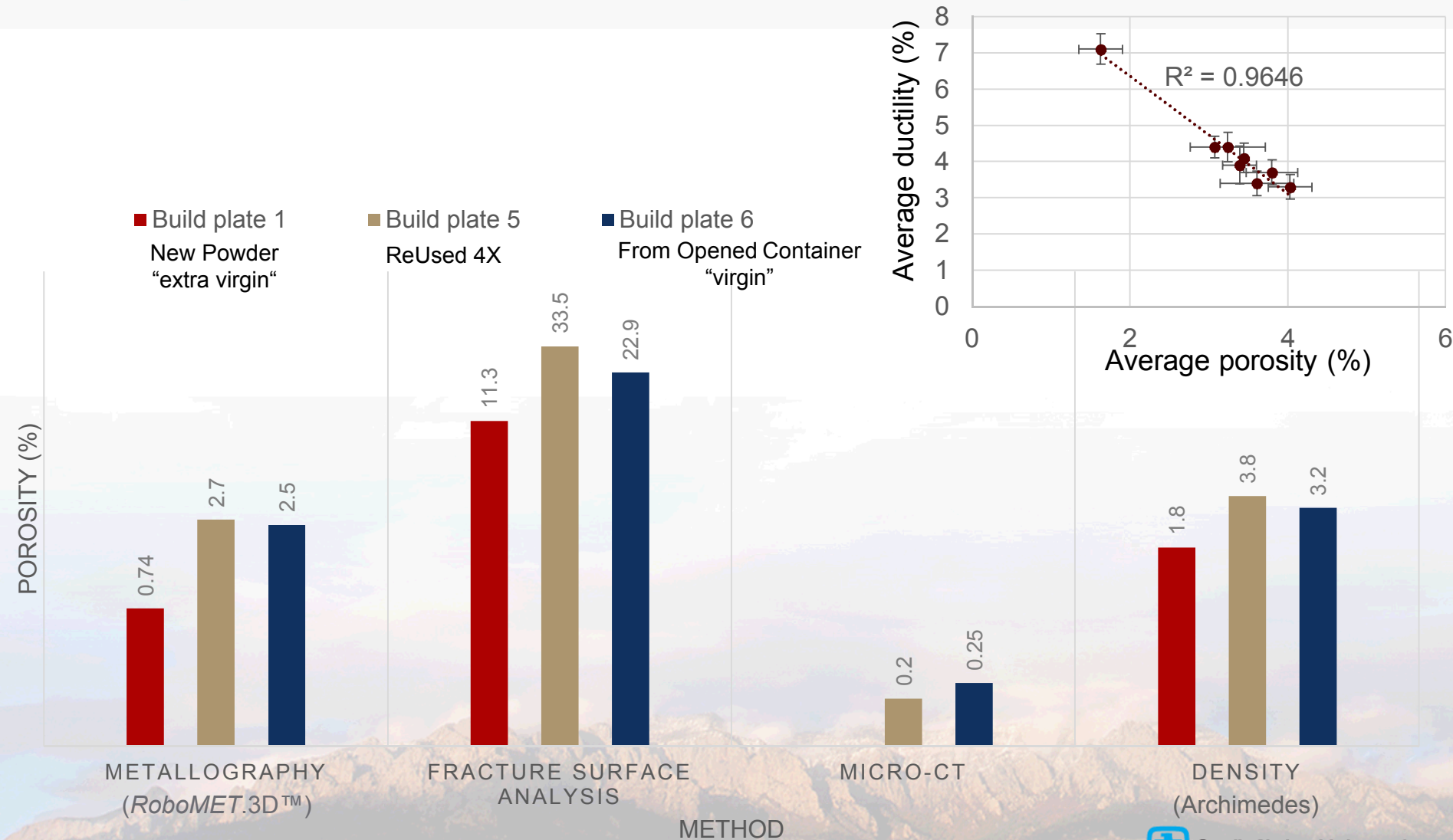
Density - Archimedes Porosity

■ Technique characteristics

- Nondestructive
- Quick and inexpensive
- Immersion of part
- Surface voids/wetting can bias results
- Won't account for pores filled w unmelted powder

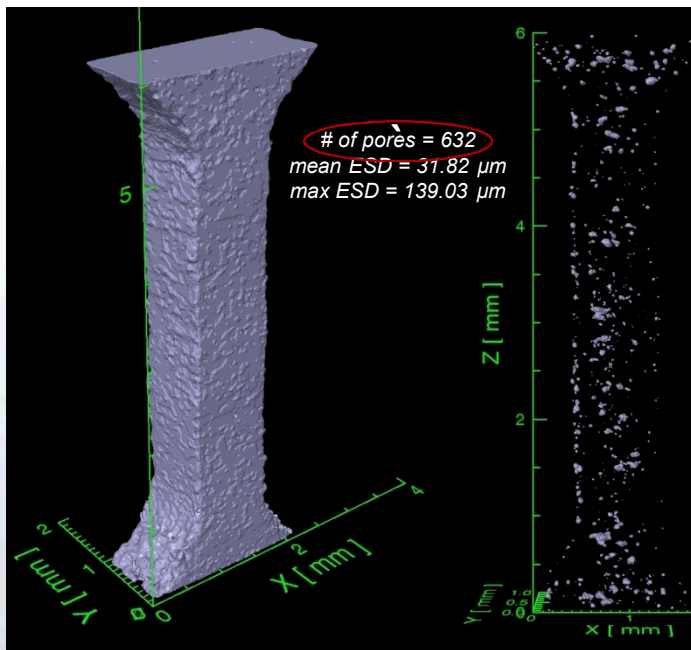
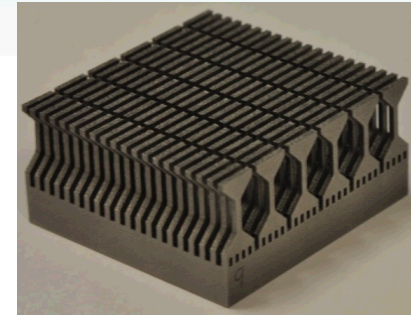


Results Vary With Measurement Method

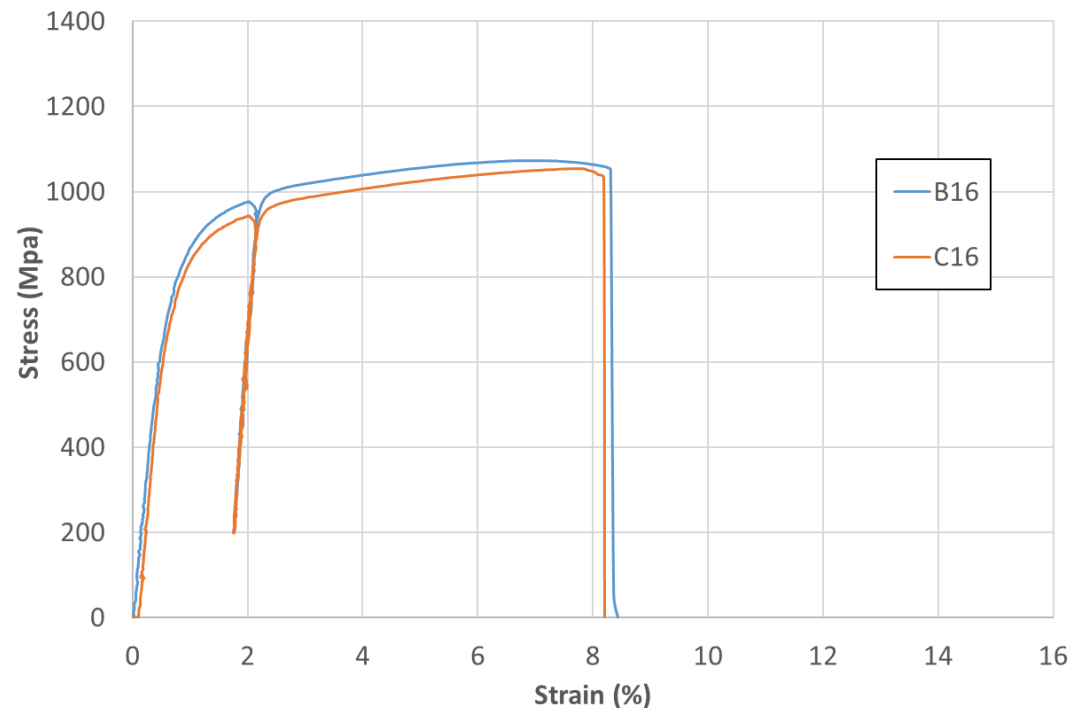


R&D to Understand Defect Sensitivities and Failure Modes

- AlSi10Mg Dogbones (Imaged w resolution ~ 7 -10 μm voxel edge length)
- 632 vs. 1124 similar size pores
- Very similar tensile test results; Why ???



dogbone B,16 CT surface image (left), porosity map

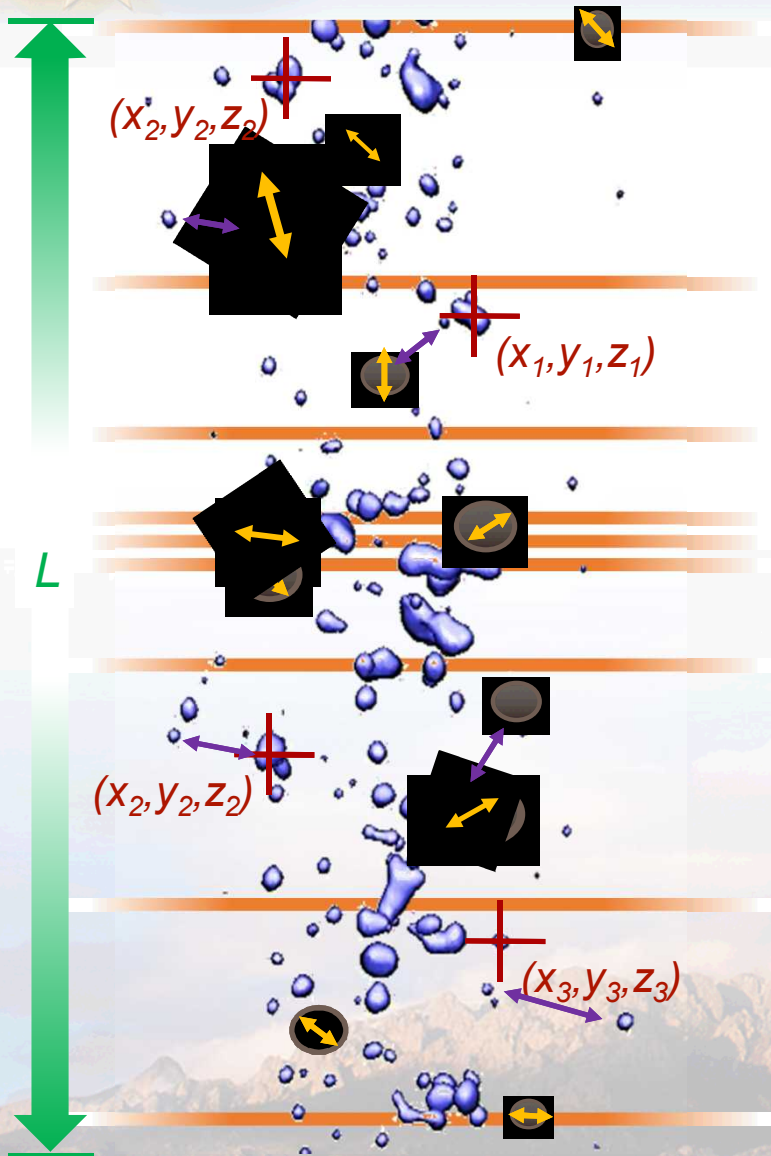


ESD = equivalent spherical diameter



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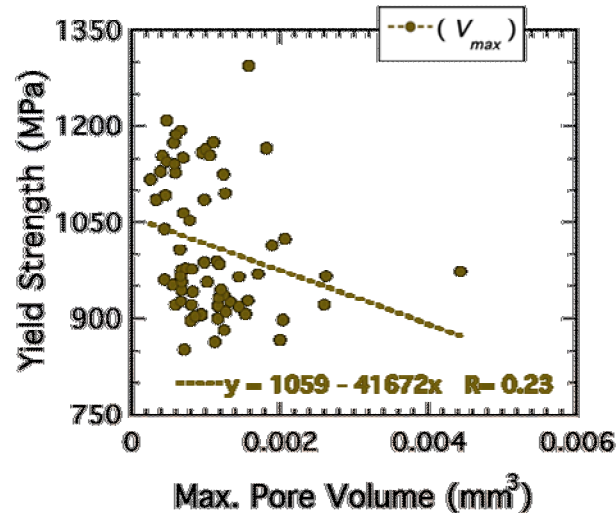
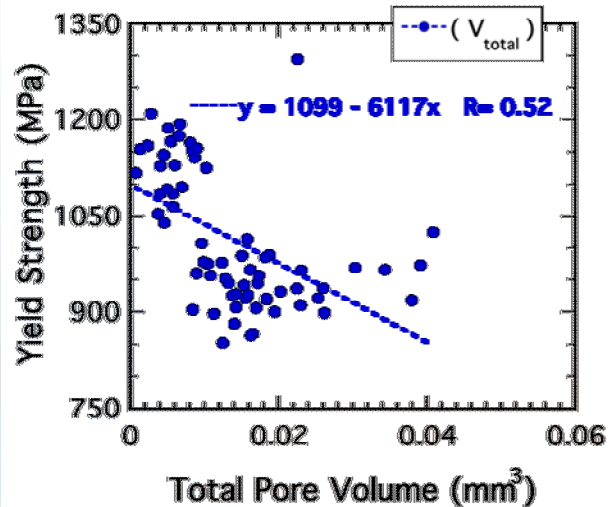
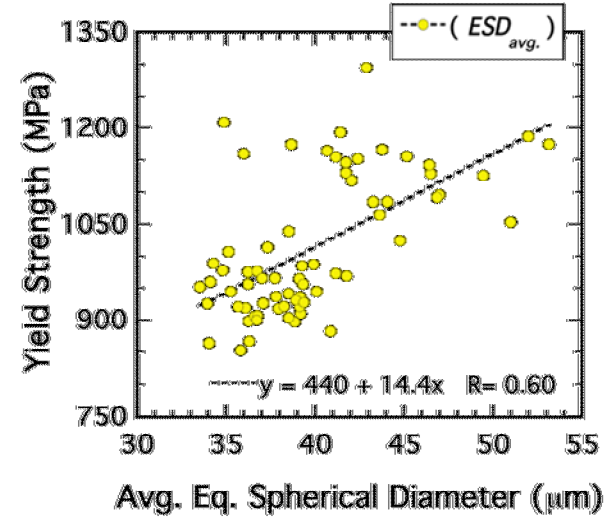
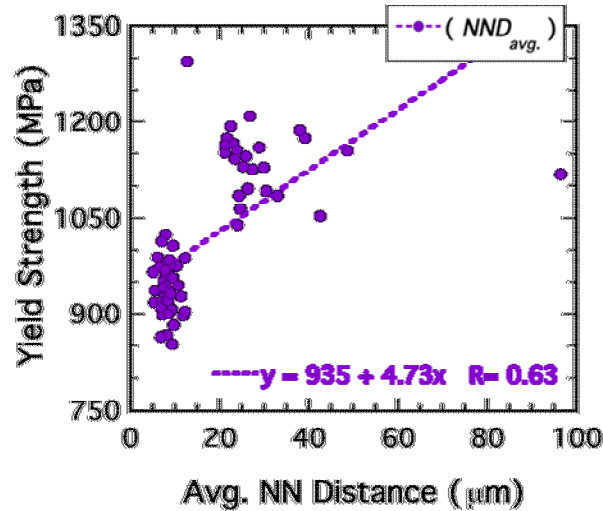
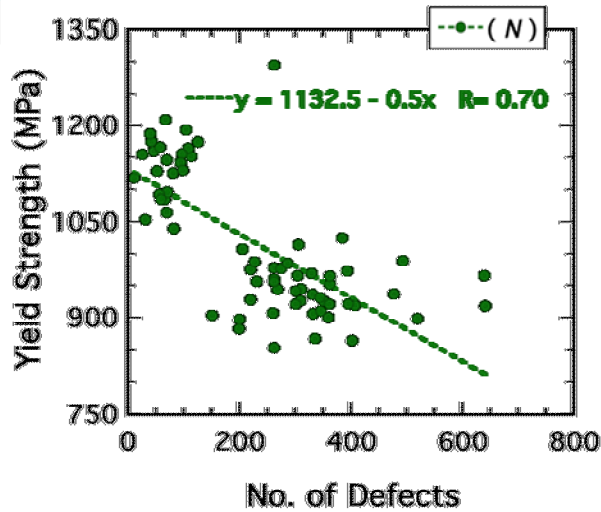
Can We Find Defect/Property Correlations?



- Total Volume of Defects (V_{tot})
- Pore Volume Fraction (V_{fract})
- Spatial Location of Pores (x, y, z)
- Total Number of Defects (N)
- Total Defects/Length (N/L)
- Average Defect Volume ($V_{avg.}$)*
- Average Equivalent Spherical Diameter ($ESD_{avg.}$)*
- Average Cross-Sectional Area ($CSA_{avg.}$)*
- Average Nearest Neighbor Distance ($NND_{avg.}$)*

How do we *best* represent the defect populations present?

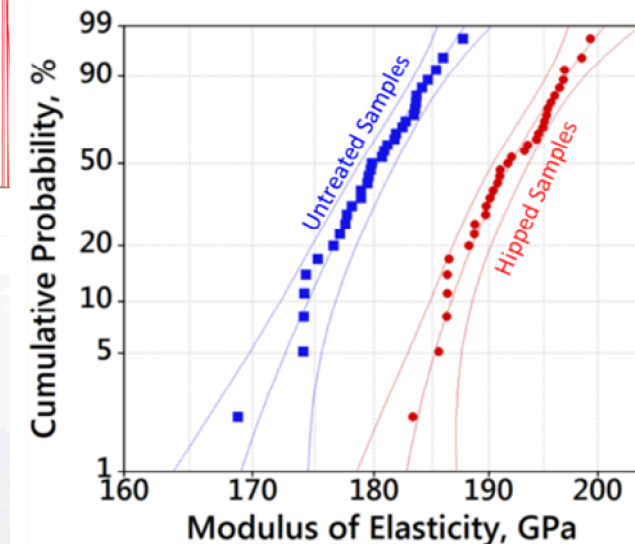
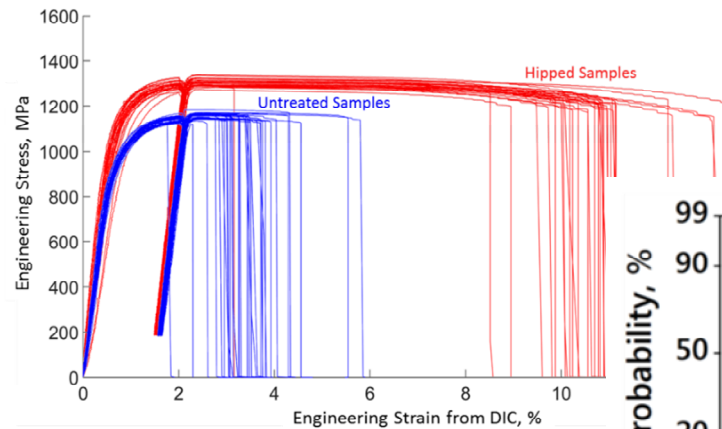
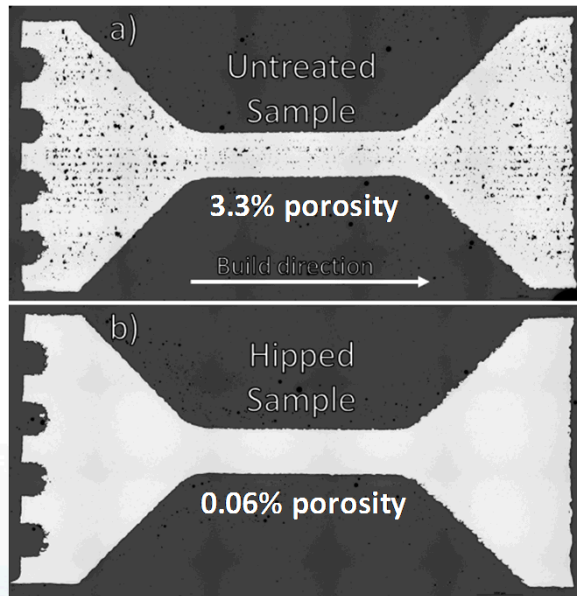
Statistical Correlations Are Elusive



Measure	R ²
No. of Defects	0.50
Avg. NN Distance (mm)	0.40
Avg. ESD (mm)	0.36
Max CSA Redux (mm^2)	0.38
Total Pore Volume (mm^3)	0.27
Avg. Defect Vol. (mm^3)	0.25
Max CSA Redux (%)	0.24
Maximum Pore Size	0.07
Seven factor multivariate regression	0.60

HIP Process Improves Properties...

HIP Treatment: **1120°C+100MPa for 6 hr**



A rule of mixtures model effectively predicts the average effect of porosity on modulus

$$E_p = E_0 * (1 - a * P) \quad a = 1.9 \text{ [Choren et al, J. Mater Sci, 2013]}$$

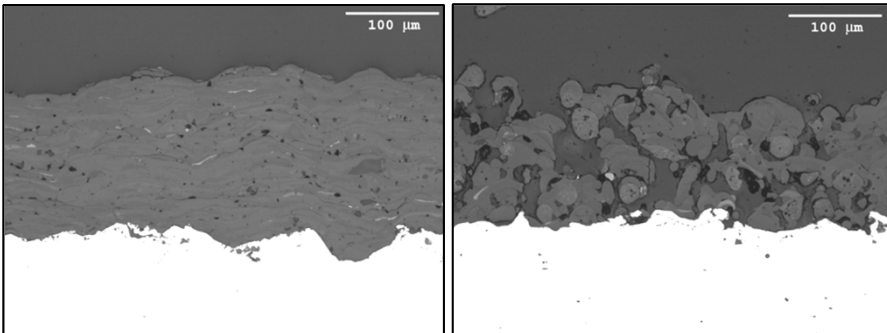
$$E_0 = 195 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{0.06\%} = 195 \text{ GPa}$$

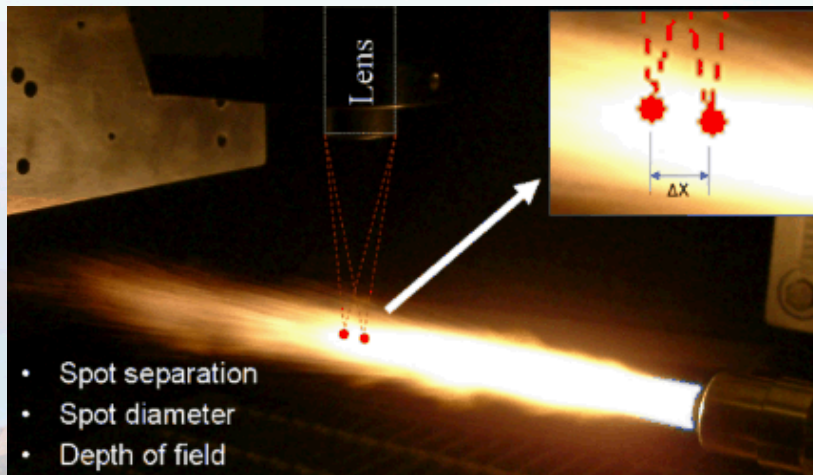
$$E_{3.3\%} = 183 \text{ GPa}$$

Fundamental Process Understanding is Key to Controlling Variability

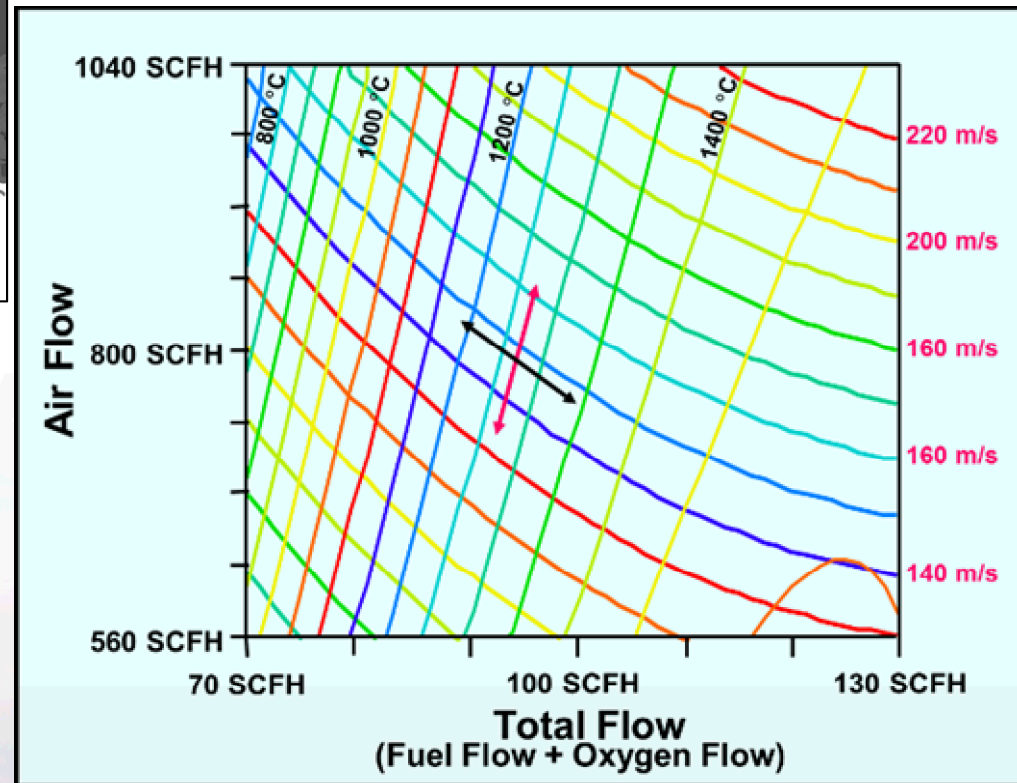
- Thermal spray process used to run open-loop with high variability in the resulting materials



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



- Fundamental process understanding used to implement 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)

Sandia Metal/Multi-Material AM Process R&D

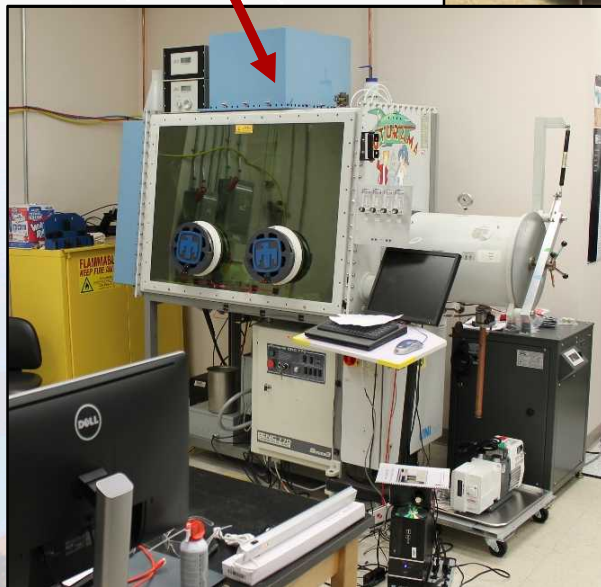
3D Systems ProX 200
Laser Metal Powder Bed
Machine



Aspex Explorer SEM-based
powder particle analyzer

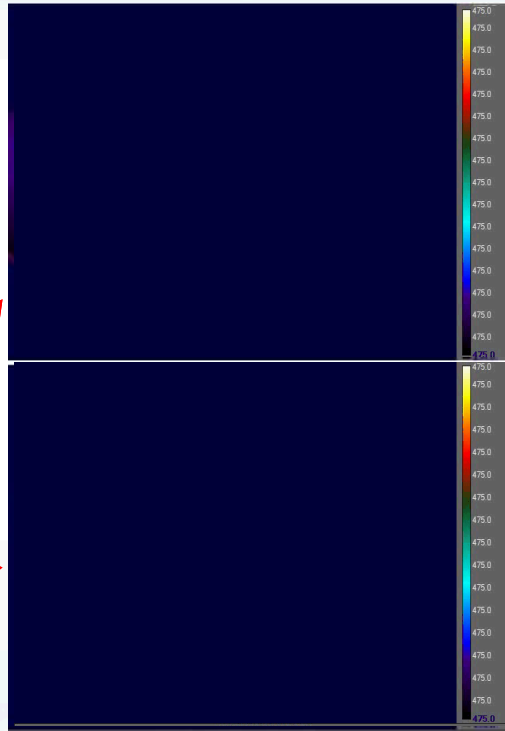
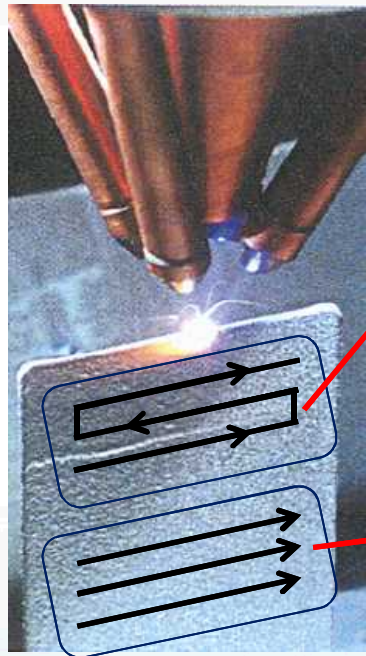


Next Generation Custom
Built Hybrid LENS™
System

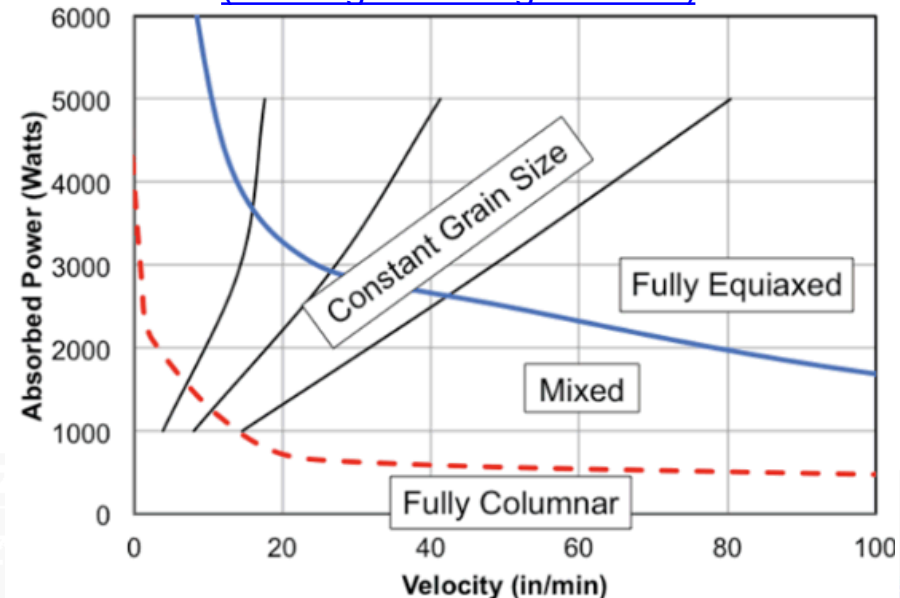


Haas VF2 mill-turn
machine will be Modified
for Multi-Material hybrid
AM, including LENS™

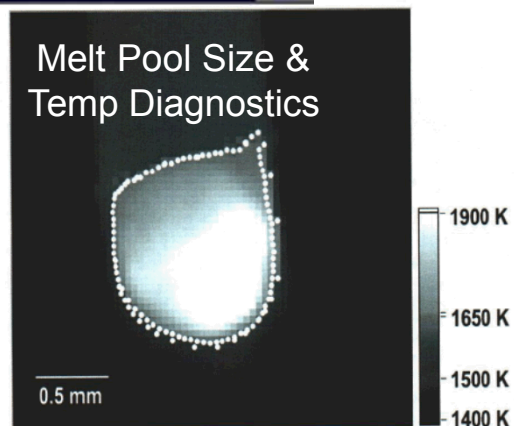
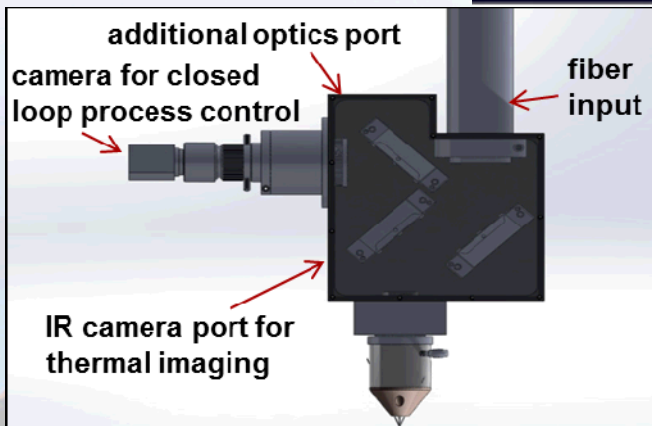
Working to Understand LENSTM Processing-Microstructure Relationships



Processing-Microstructure Relationships (teaming w Carnegie Mellon)



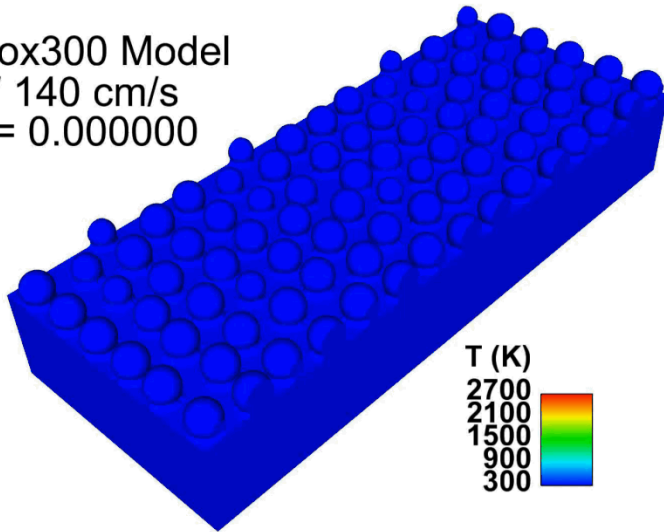
J. Gockel et al. / Additive Manufacturing 1–4 (2014) 119–126



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

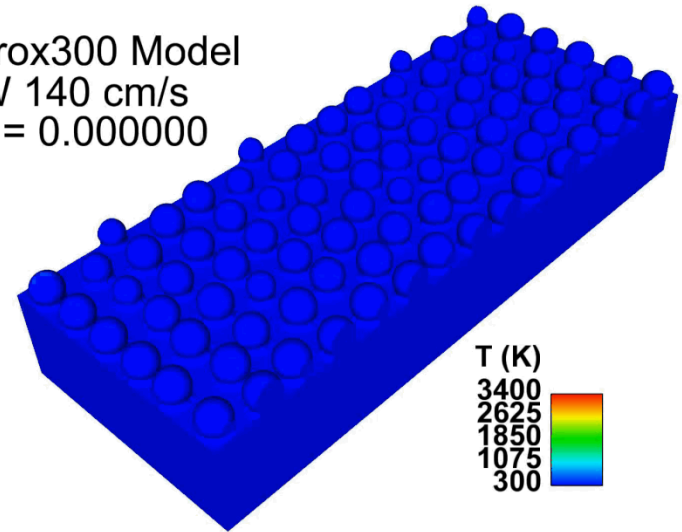
Process Modeling Can Provide Useful Insights

SNL Prox300 Model
25W 140 cm/s
Time = 0.000000



Stainless steel 304L
25 micron powder

SNL Prox300 Model
50W 140 cm/s
Time = 0.000000

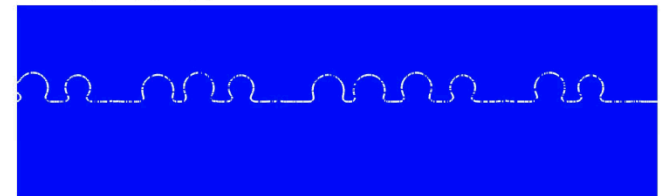


Notes:

- 500 micron powder bed traversed in 357 microsec
- Sloshing-driven gas dynamics entrains ambient gas

Gas and melt pool dynamics

Time = 0.000000

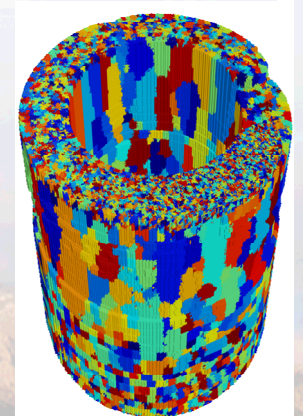
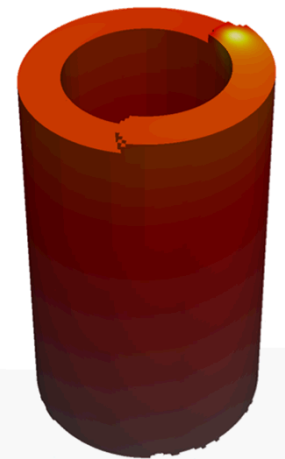
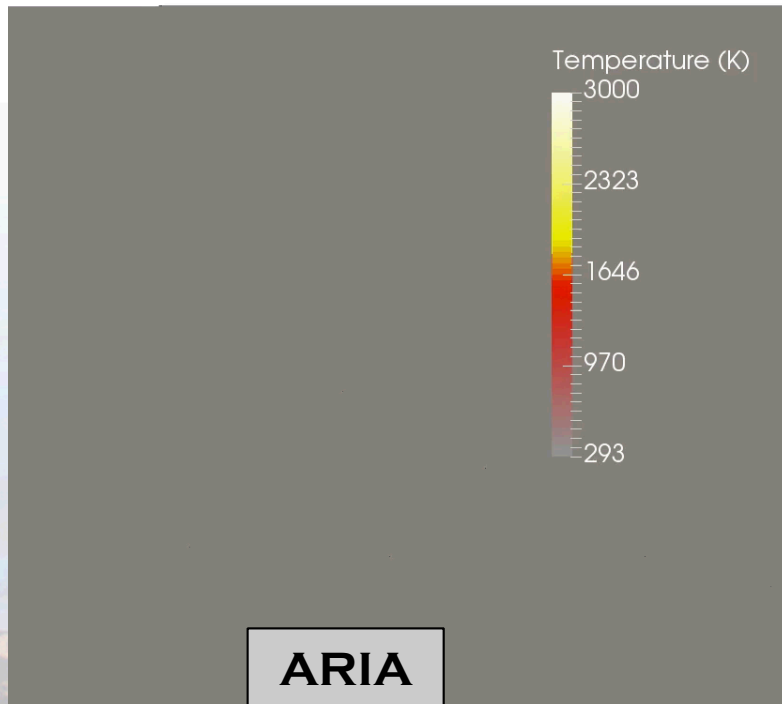


T (K)
3400
2625
1850
1075
300

Linking to Thermal Models

- Using thermal histories from SNL's ARIA code as an input, a modified Monte Carlo Potts model within SPPARKS is coupled to predict grain morphologies in an additive manufacturing build.
- This demonstrates an ability to predict grain morphology from a rigorous multi-physics model as opposed to a simplified and idealized approximation of the molten zone.

Time: 0.00 s



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Leverage Sandia PPM to Investigate Variability/Defect Sensitivity

Sandia Predicting Performance Margins (PPM) initiative seeks to understand fundamental science of microstructural variability and defects and to quantitatively predict the resulting variability of materials properties.

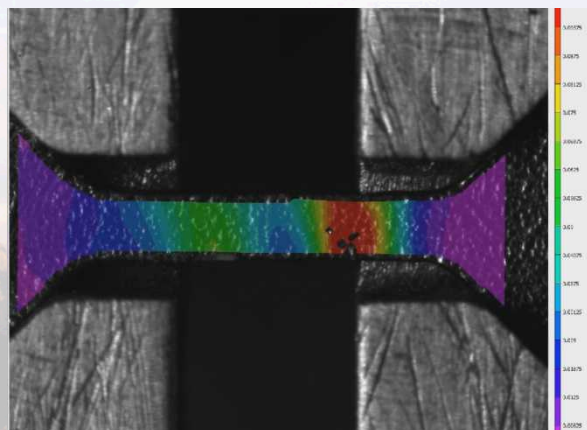
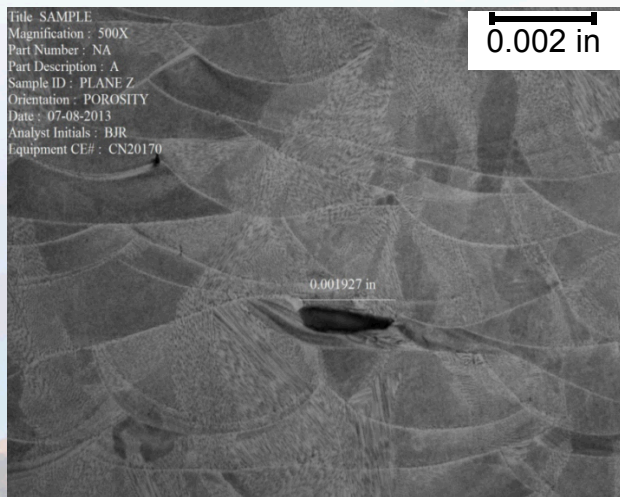
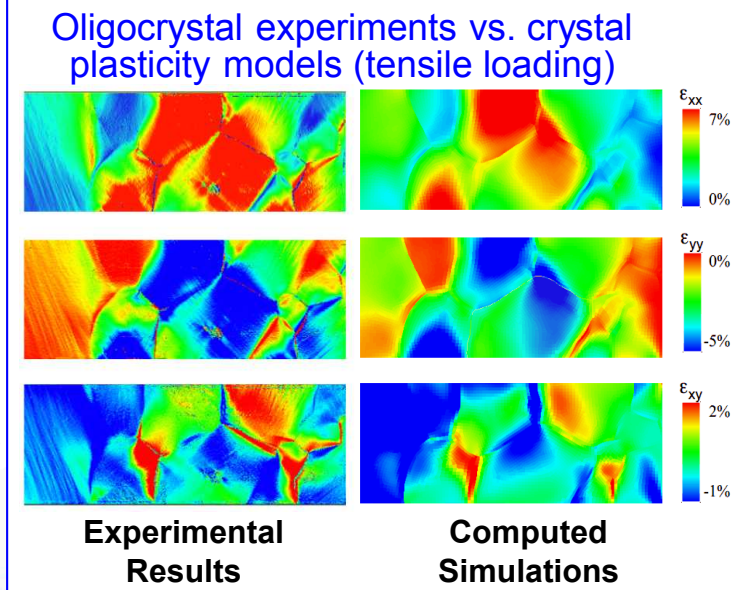
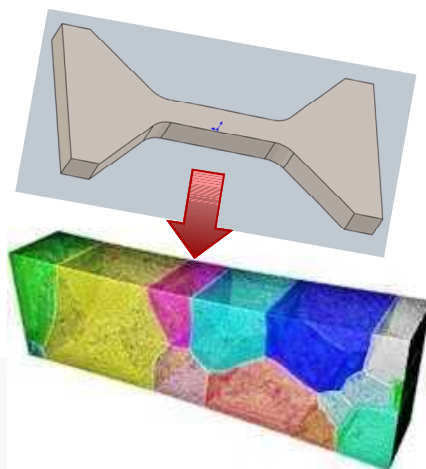
Gauge Section of Wrought Ta Oligocrystal Tensile Specimen (1x3x5 mm)

(Use Electron Backscatter Diffraction & Digital Image Correlation)

Key Questions:

What AM Defects Matter?

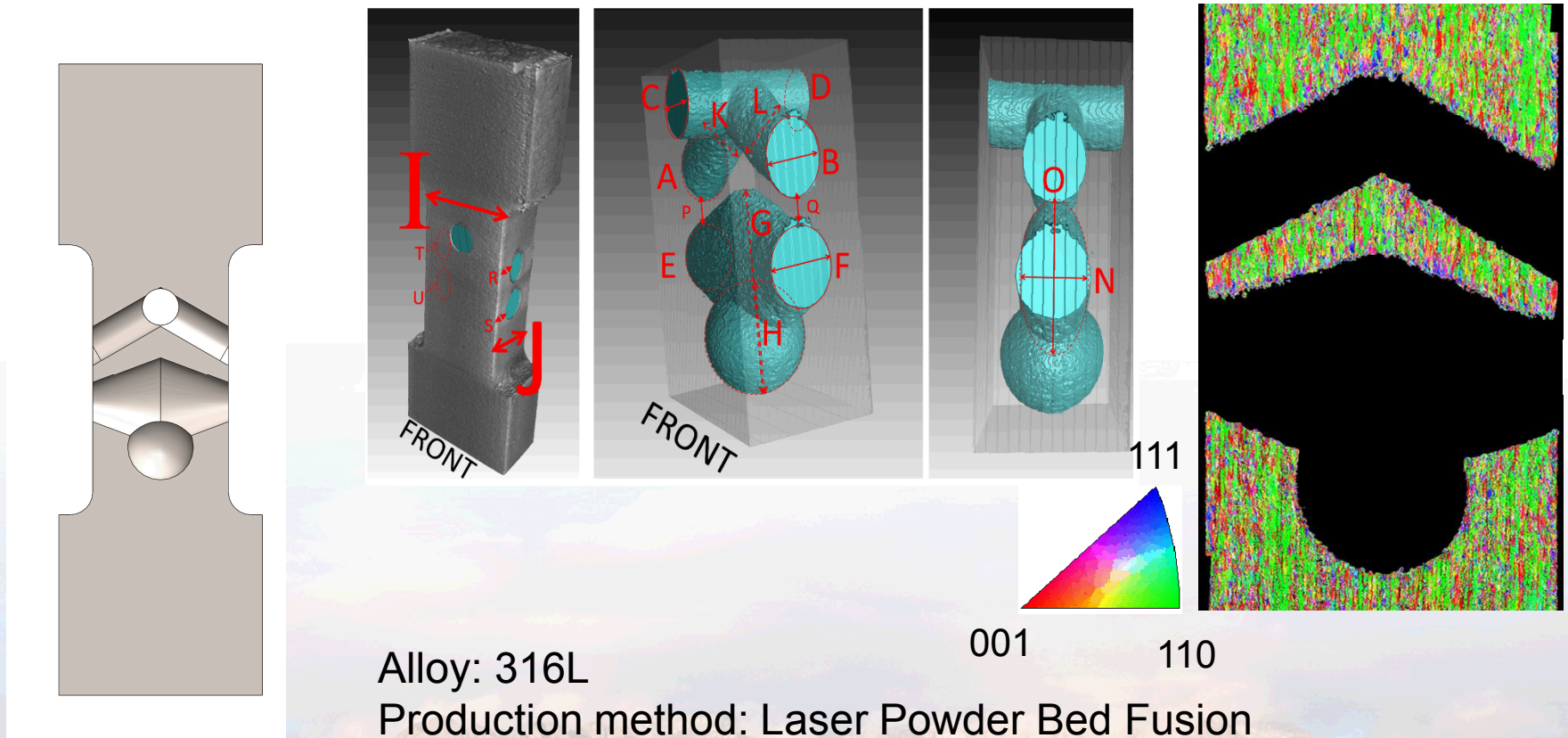
Can I detect them?



High-Throughput Tensile (HTT) Test with Digital Image Correlation

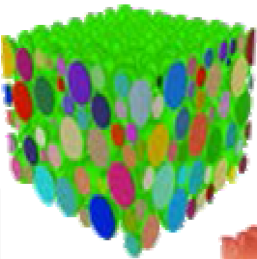
Sandia's Reliability Prediction Competition

Provided with tensile data, CT data, roughness, microstructure, etc,
predict the conditions (force, displacement) for fracture...



How well can standard methods (Finite Element) predict AM reliability?

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

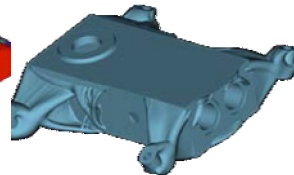



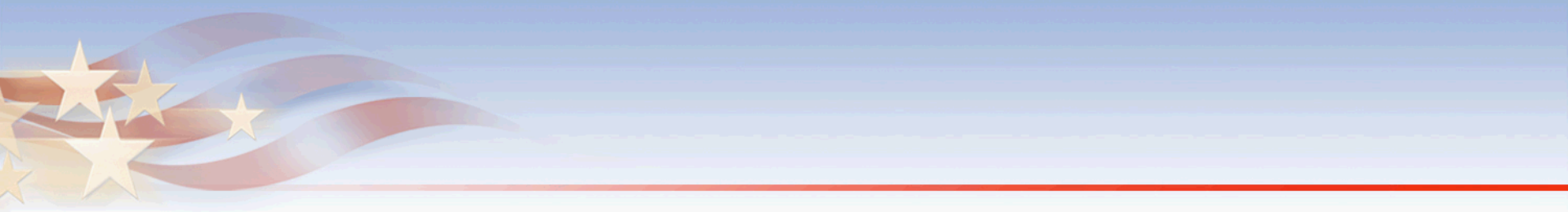
Heat Transfer

Time = 0.001401

T (K)

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1920
1380
840
300



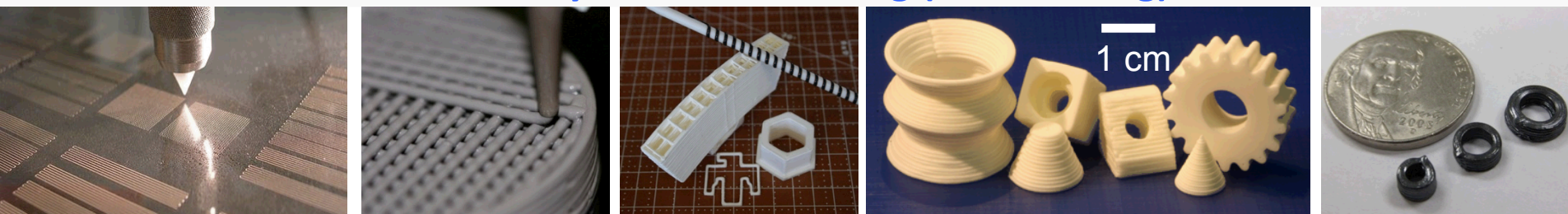


Multi-Material AM

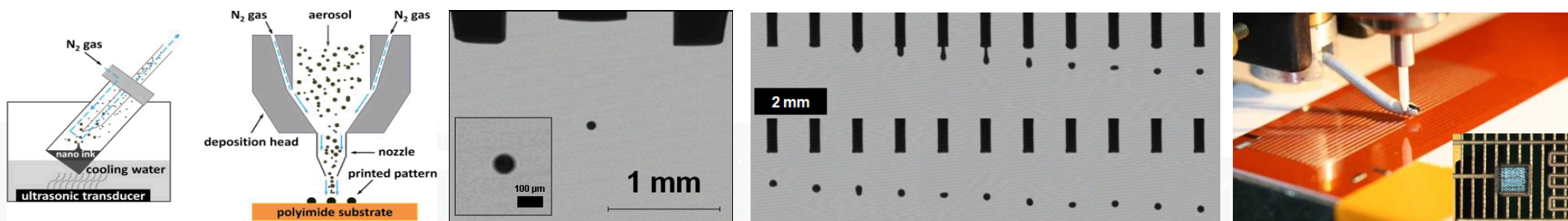


Direct Write Technologies Enable Access To Materials Not Supported By Conventional Printing Processes

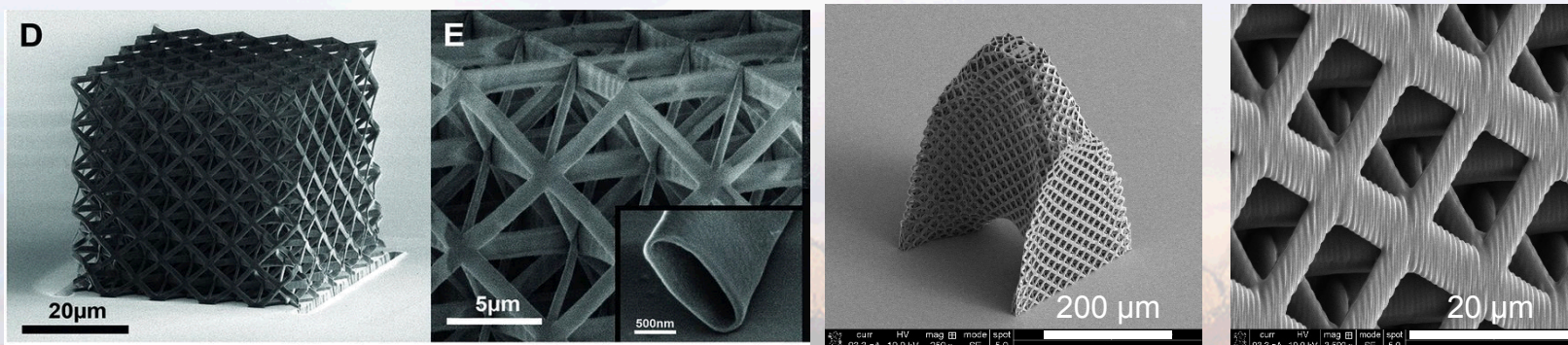
Direct Write by Extrusion Casting (Robocasting)



Direct Write by Aerosol & Ink Jet Deposition



Direct Write by Laser Photo-Lithography



From Nano-Materials to Components at the Sandia Advanced Materials Lab

Solution Precipitation

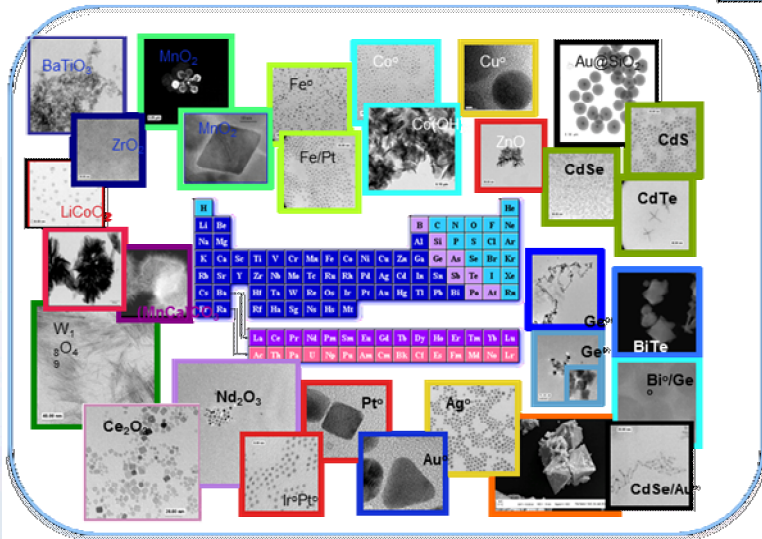


Solvothermal



Specialty
Precursors

Specialized Nanomaterials



Specialty Inks



Colloidal
Chemistry

Ink Characterization

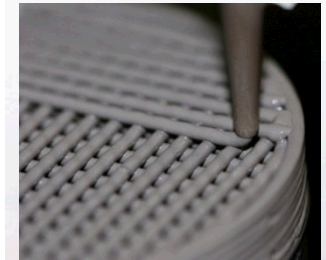
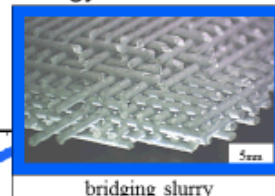
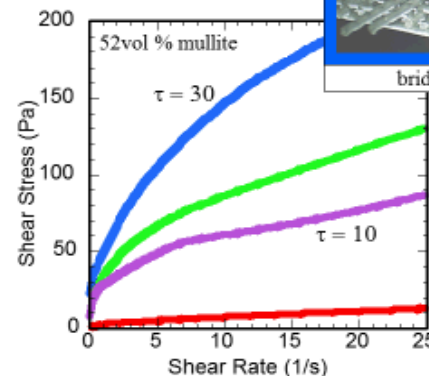
Process
Engineering

Direct Write Printed Parts



Influence of paste rheology

yield stress controls
print morphology.



Rheology Tailoring

Aerosol, Inkjet, extrusion

From specialized, tailored nano-materials to process-able inks requires chemical synthesis, colloidal chemistry, rheology/characterization, process engineering

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)

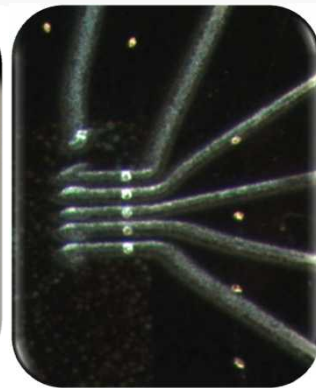
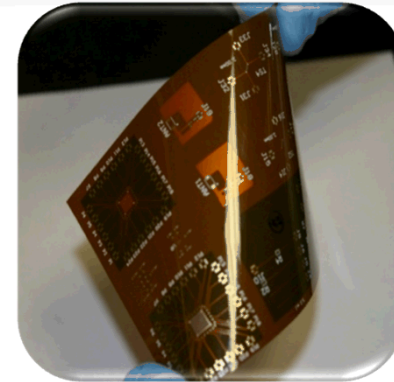
Anode (DW graphite/carbon)

Separator (DW mesoporous polymers)

Cathode (DW LiFePO_4)

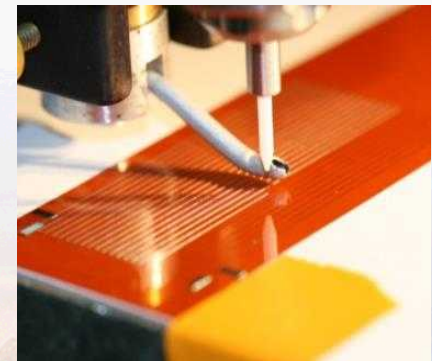
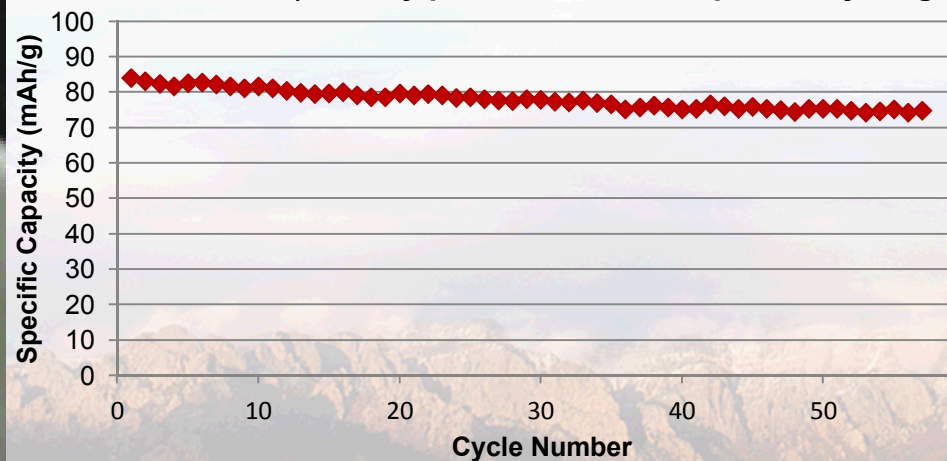
Current collector (DW copper ink)

Substrate (polyimide)



“Flexible Chips” with
printed wirebonds

LiFePO_4 Battery performs well in repeated cycling



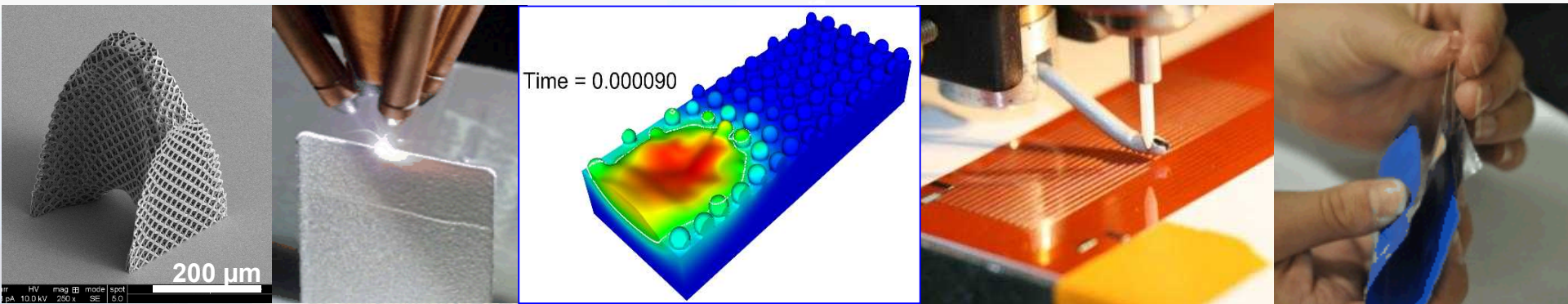
Aerosol jet printing to 10 μm



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Summary

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





Backup Slides



Model Navigator

- Lantern_coarse
- lantern_sd
- Lanterns
- new_me
- parameterized_bracket
- parameterized_bracket_hex
- parameterized_bracket_hex_short_br
- parameterized_bracket_hex_tall_brac
- parameterized_bracket_hex_tall_brac
- req1
- Roshan
- RoundTable
- RoundTableCoarse
- RoundTableCoarseSalinas
 - Geometry/Mesh
 - Sierra Structural Dynamics
 - Boundary Conditions
 - Constraints
 - Contacts
 - Coordinates
 - Finite Element Model
 - Functions
 - Initial Conditions
 - Interactions
 - Loads
 - Materials
 - Mechanics
 - Outputs
 - Parameters
 - Solution
 - Solution Control
 - Solvers
 - Topology Optimization
 - Simulation Job [Idle]
 - Parameter Studies
- ryan_fine_mesh
- s_bike
- s_bike2
- s_bracket_KG
- s_bracket_KG_full_r1
- s_lantern
- s_lantern_brett
- s_lantern_large_scale
- s_lantern_local
- s_lantern_multi_block
- s_lantern_new_journal
- s_lantern_new_journal2
- s_lantern_symmetric
- s_lantern_symmetric2
- s_mitchell
- s_mitchell_mesh_var1
- sd_lantern_demo
- test_mesh_variation
- therm_mech
- therm_mech_dup
- toa10
- toa3
- toa4
- toa5
- toa6
- tpd
- TPD_with_blends_albany
- TPD_with_blends_albany_no_restart
- TPD_with_blends_multi_albany
- TPD_with_blends_new_loading
- tpd2
- trvt1

Command Panel

Settings

Model View - RoundTableCoarseSalinas

RoundTableCoarseSalinas on skybrid

Basic

Code: Salinas

Job Attrs

Machine: skybridge

Job Stage: Sub

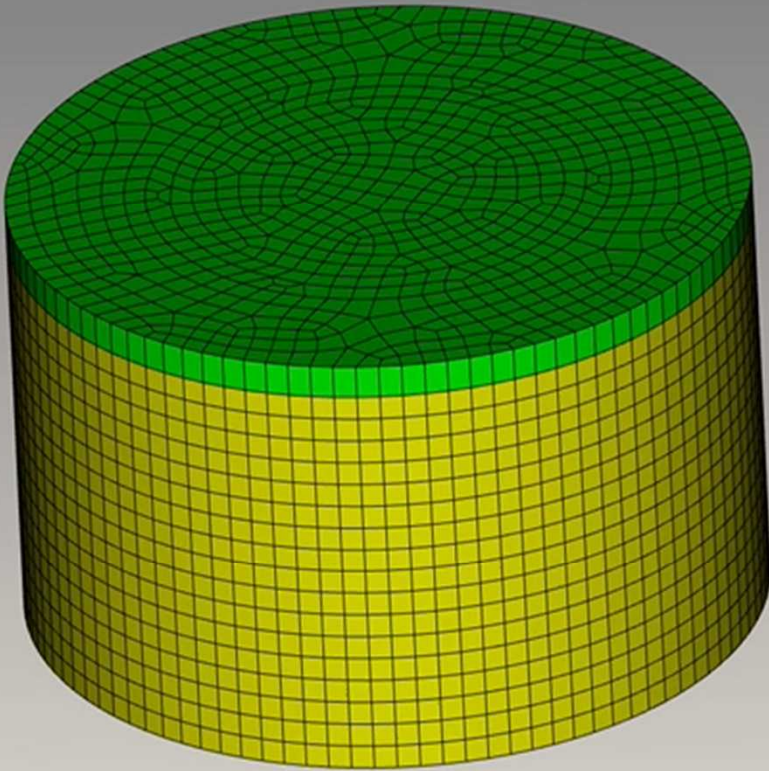
Queue Id / State: 691357

Submitted On: 2016-03

Account: FY1402

Requested Processors: 16

Requested Job Runtime: 30 min



RoundTableCoarseSalinas.i

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output_frequency = 5
max_num_optimization_itr = 45
filter_type = kernel
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Console

Machines

Job Status

Showing 63 jobs, 2 filters are active.

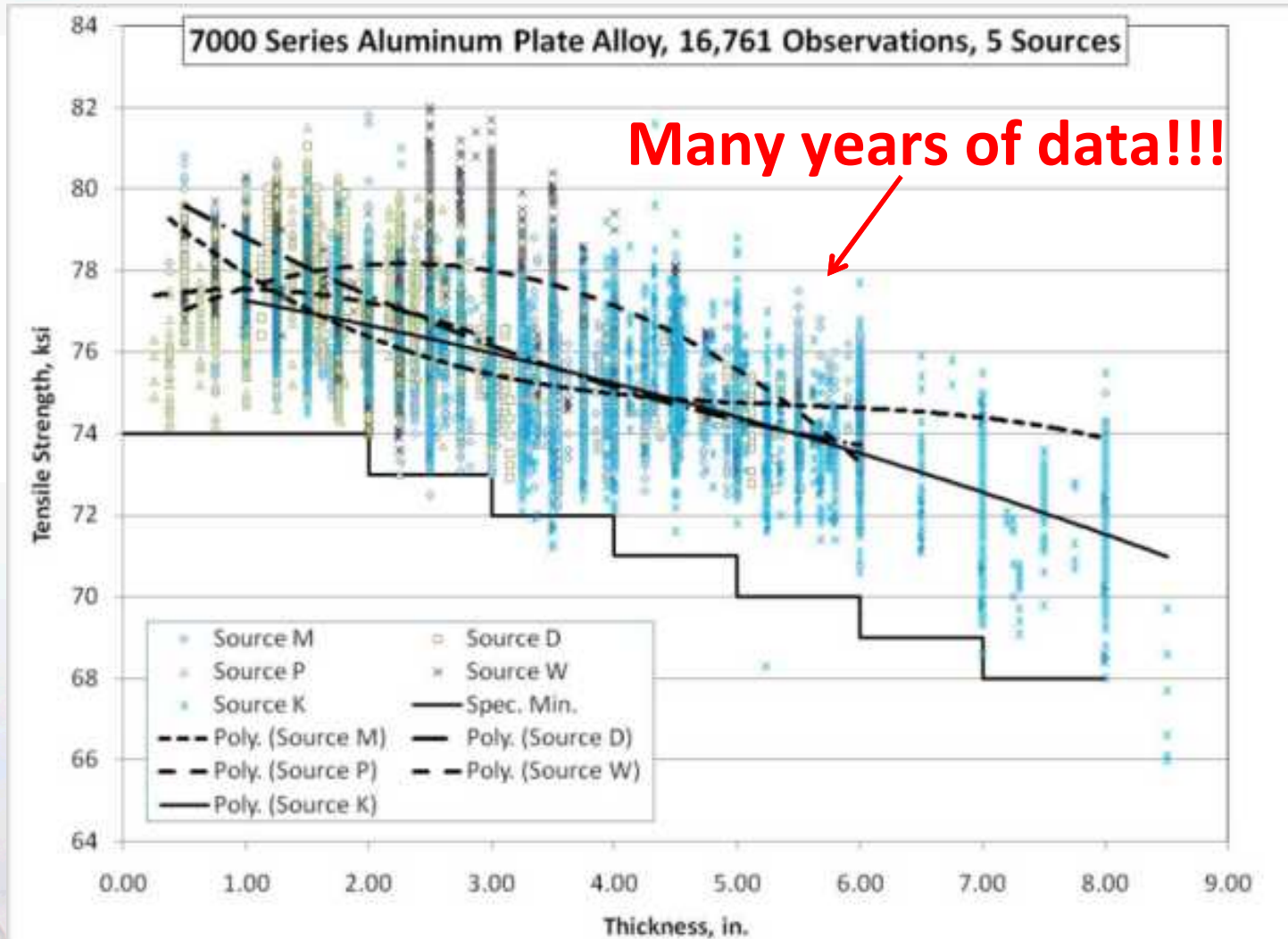
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Running RoundTableCoarseSalinas

Conversion to Geometric CAD



Conventional Materials Qualification

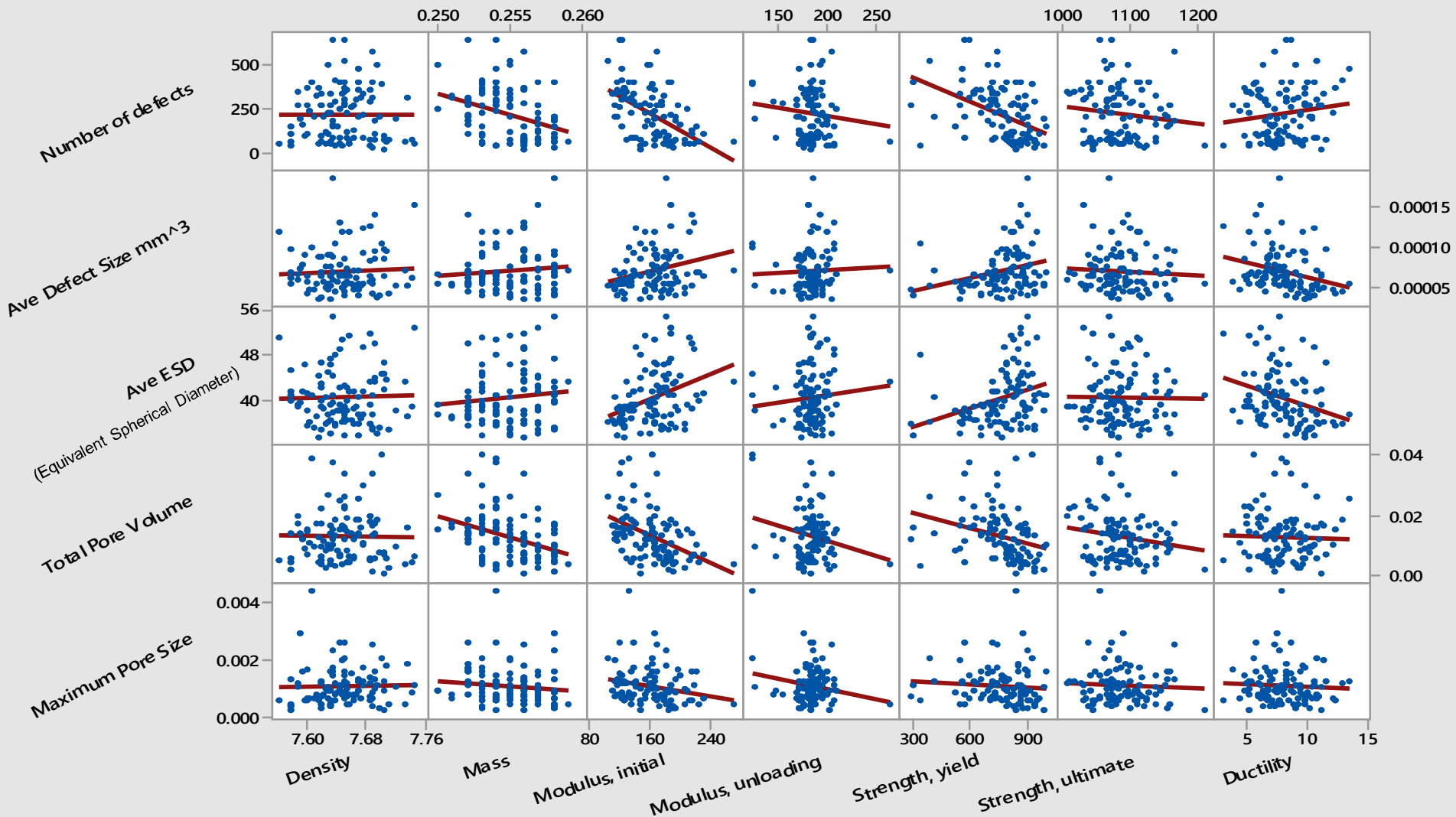


How can we qualify AM materials?



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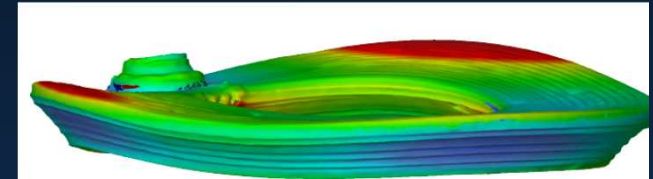
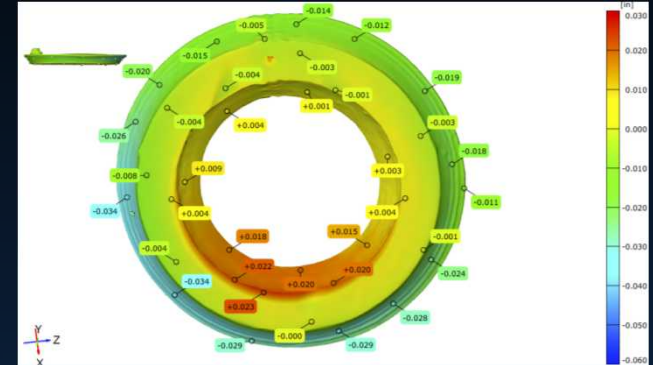
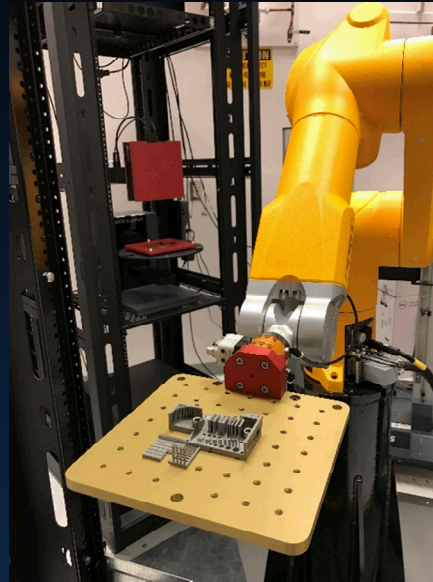
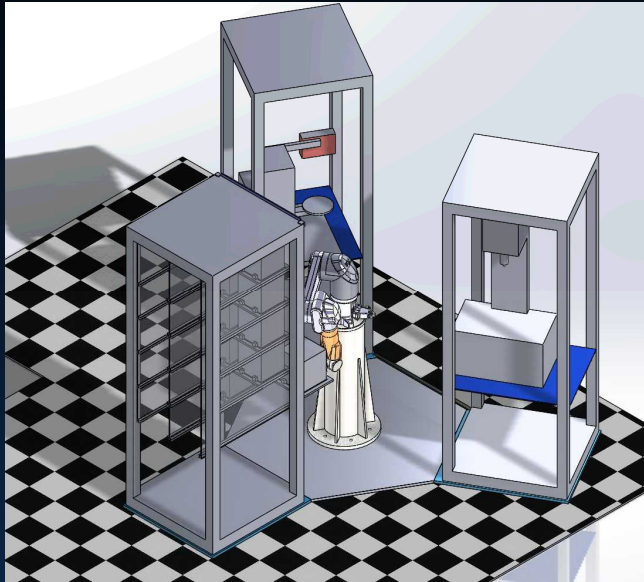
On-going Data Analytics Studies To Investigate Potential Relationships



The Alinstantiate Modular Inspection Robot



Extensive material+part data in minutes, not months



Properties

Tensile strength
Ductility
Toughness
Electrical performance
etc.

Structure

Geometry
Porosity
Chemistry
Microstructure
etc.

Post-Processing

Surface remediation
Heat treatment
Subtractive machining
Joining
etc.

A diagnostic artifact provides an inspection surrogate and a process monitor...



Material & Structural Properties

Mechanical Properties

Arrays of tensile bars used to investigate stochastic tensile properties. Arrays of two different-sized tensile bars allow exploration of size-dependent mechanical properties

Structural Dynamics

Several cantilever beams of two heights can be used to test the resonance frequency of the material.

Notched Features

Arrays of notched features intended to explore stress-concentration effects on reliability and develop break-away coupons

Material Chemistry

Coupons to readily verify the composition and monitor contaminant levels.

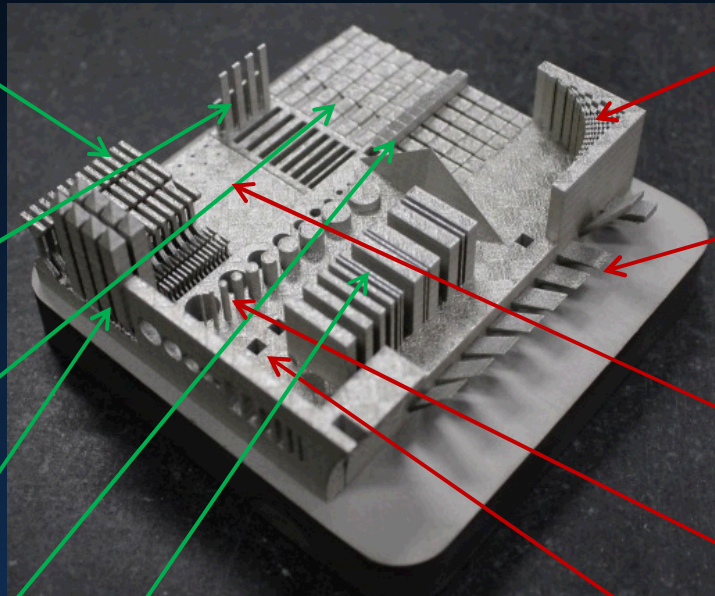
Surface Roughness

Several features explore the interplay between geometry and the resulting surface roughness

Residual Stresses

Several features may be used to quantify the stress-induced warpage. Also, regions of the part exacerbate internal residual stresses to be measured by x-ray/ neutron diffraction or hole drilling.

Sandia Artifact printed in stainless steel alloy 17-4PH using a commercial vendor (Fineline) with a ConceptLaser Mlab Printer



Printability Limits & Metrology

Minimum Feature Dimensions

Evaluate printability and dimensional accuracy for a wide range of feature types including theoretical sharp corners

Overhangs & Bridges

Incrementally sized features intended to determine the maximum dimension that will maintain structural integrity of the part. Features push printer to failure point.

Internal voids

Intentional internal void arrays of varying dimension allow inspectability assessment

Aspect Ratios

A wide range of aspect ratios explores the printability limits of positive and negative features

Consistency features

Arrays of nominally identical features allow evaluation of repeatability

Most existing artifacts (e.g. NIST AM artifact) emphasize dimensional metrology and ignore material/structural properties. This compact array employs many dual-purpose features and many arrays of features for statistical repeatability analysis.