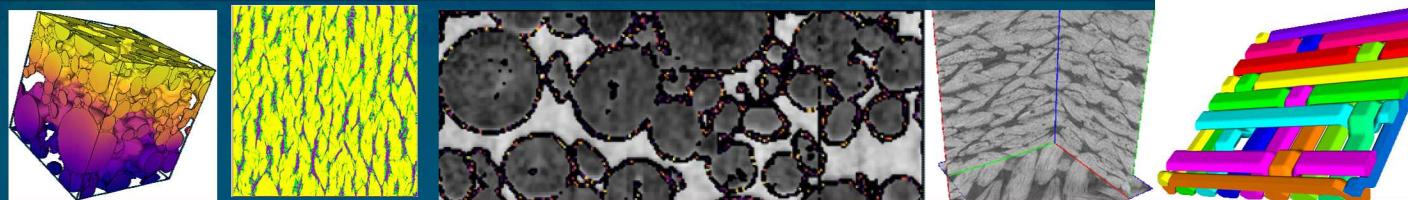




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# CAMI LDRD: Overview and Highlights



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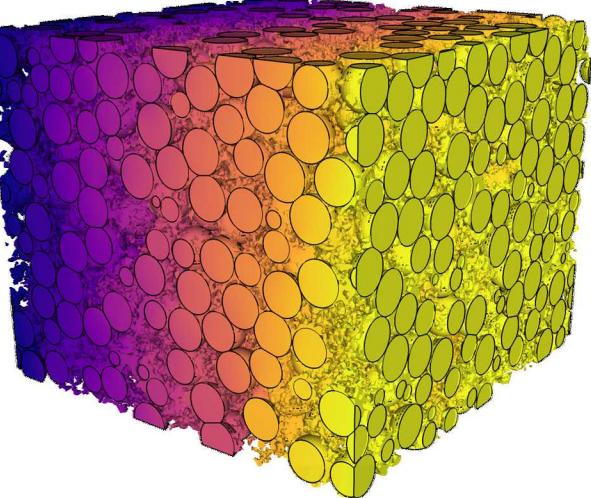
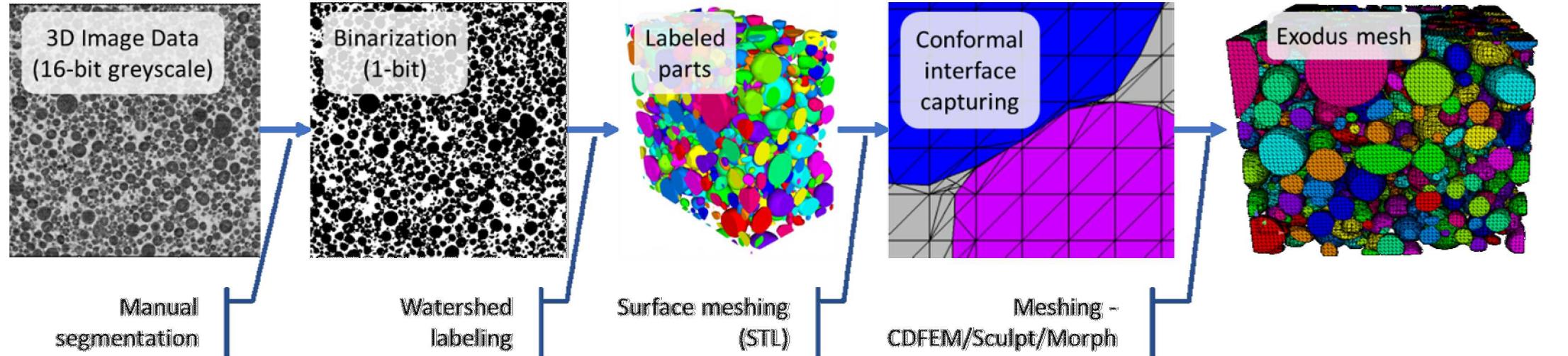
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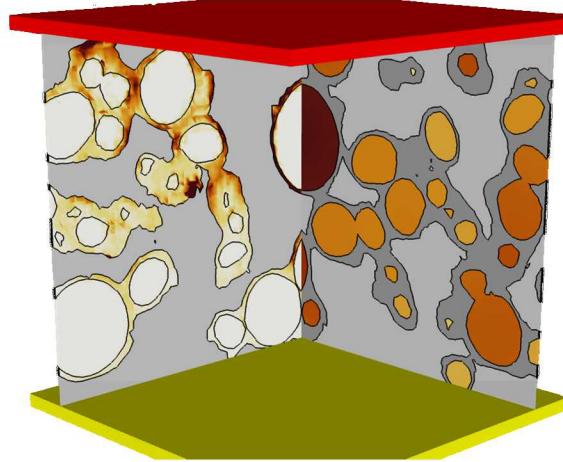


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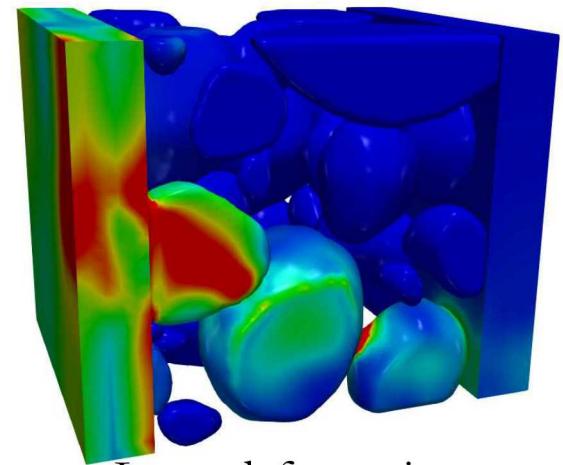
## Prior art: Image-to-mesh for lithium-ion battery mesostructures



Effective electrode properties



Coupled electrochemical-mechanical performance



Large deformation mechanics

Pioneered large-scale image-to-mesh capabilities for lithium-ion battery mesostructures; 7 journal articles

# Credible Automated Meshing of Images (CAMI) LDRD concept

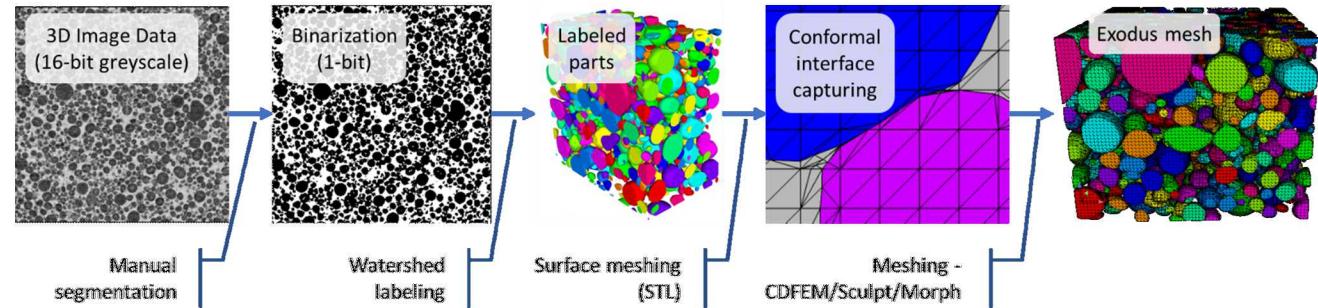
Recent state-of-the-art processes are:

- Manual, SME-dependent
- Time-consuming
- Unknown credibility
- Don't capture all geometric features

Objective: We seek to develop a methodology for **automatically, efficiently, and reproducibly** creating **conformal** finite element meshes from **3D tomography** with **quantified uncertainty**.

Research thrusts – primary science questions:

- Deep machine learning algorithms (ML)
- Automatic conformal tetrahedral mesh creation (ATM)
- Uncertainty quantification and propagation (UQ)
- Application exemplar: Thermal protection system materials (TPS)
- Purdue AA: Battery mesostructures



Uncertainty quantification and propagation

Deep learning algorithms

- Image segmentation
- Part identification

Automatic tetrahedral meshing

- Conformal interfaces
- Feature-governed mesh resolution

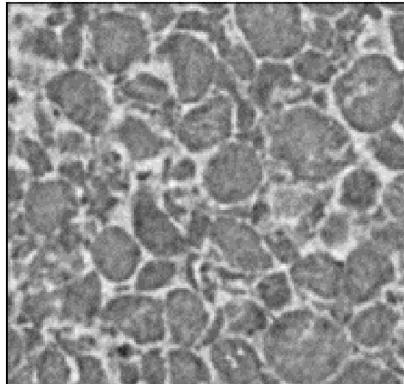
Physics solve

- Finite element method predictions
- Exemplar: TPS material mesostructures

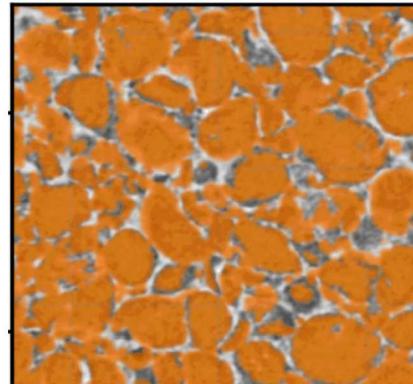
Automated, credible image-to-mesh capabilities would revolutionize engineering analysis workflows!

# Deep learning produces accurate segmentations with per-voxel UQ

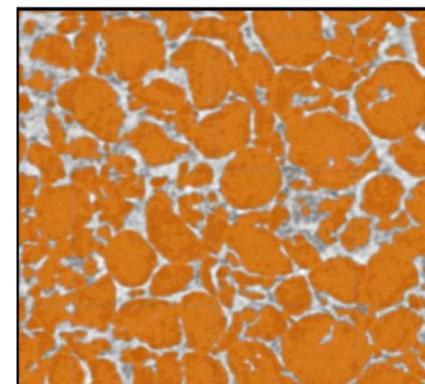
Slice from CT image of graphite electrode



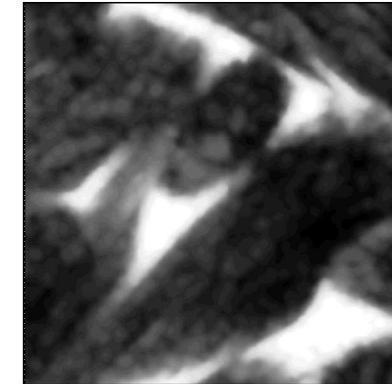
Human label (orange) overlaid on CT scan of battery



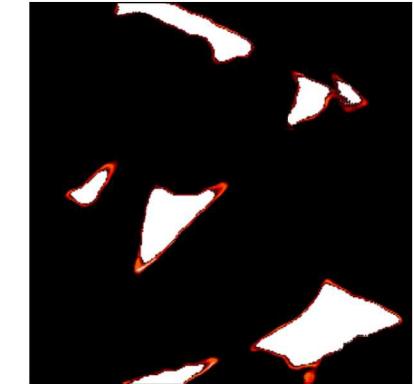
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Slice from CT scan of TPS



Deep learning segmentation with uncertainty map

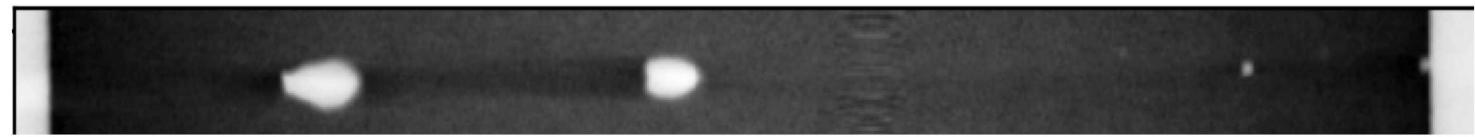


LIB: Incrementally trained DL model segments to high accuracy, higher than human labels in some cases

Laser welds: 99.2% accuracy to manual labels with uncertainty maps on ambiguous features. Beginning to propagate into simulations using Sculpt

**DL inferences takes minutes on GPU vs. hours to days manually!**

CT scan of laser welded material



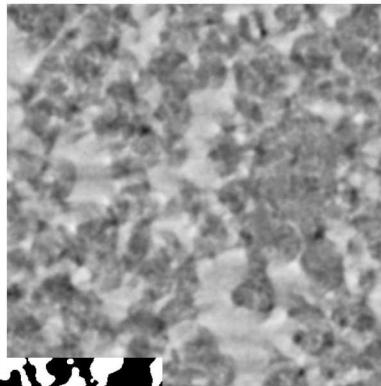
Accurate deep learning segmentation



We have proven DL models capable of flexible and accurate image segmentation with rigorous per-voxel UQ estimates

## Interpretable uncertainty using Bayesian CNNs

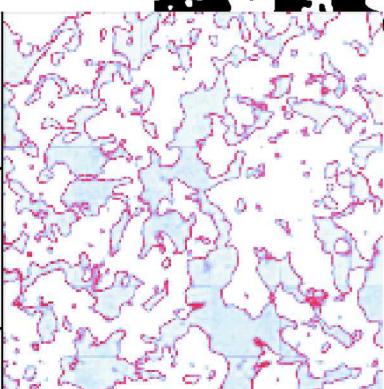
(Top) Original image



(Mid) BCNN segmentation



(Bottom) BCNN UQ



Manual segmentation



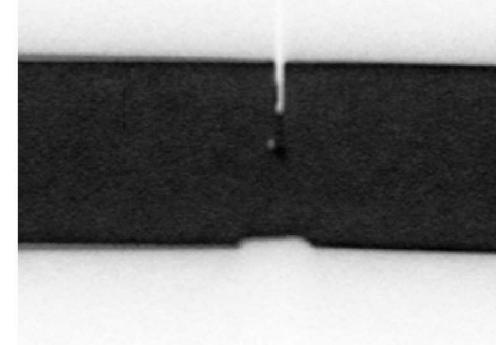
Bayesian segmentation



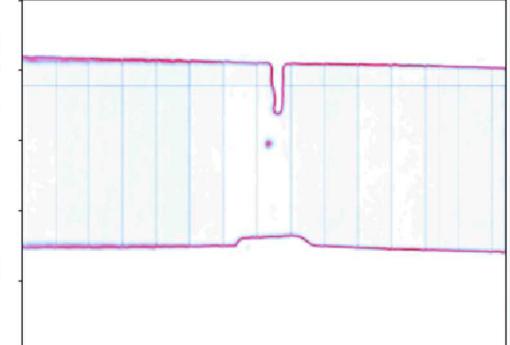
Dropout segmentation



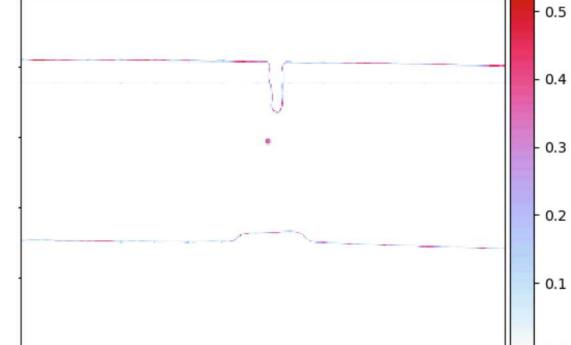
Original slice



Bayesian uncertainty



Dropout uncertainty



Novel Bayesian Convolutional Neural Network (BCNN) framework provides more statistically grounded, interpretable, and smoother uncertainty quantification (UQ) than traditional Monte Carlo dropout approach. Preparing paper for CVPR.

Bayesian CNNs show promise for interpretable and usable per-voxel uncertainty estimates

# Improving segmentation through uncertainty refinement

CNNs trained to segment images

If human labels are poor, trained CNN will be poor

Uncertainty quantification on poorly trained CNN used to refine binary predictions

Improved model used through domain shift to segment images of different contrast and resolutions

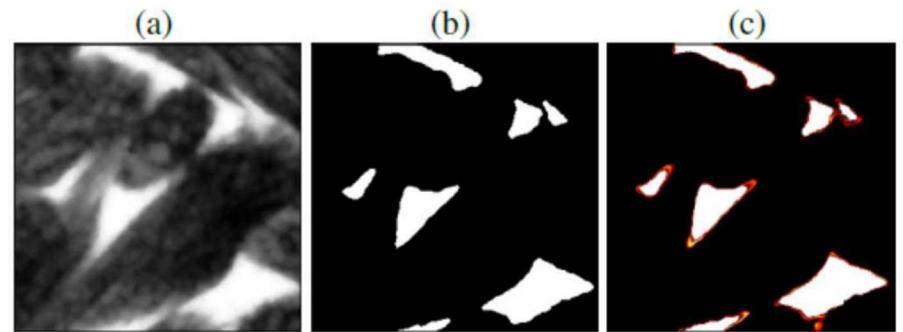


Figure 1. Binary segmentation results on held-out test examples from training domain. (a) Slice of CT scan of woven composite material. (b) Human binary labels for slice. (c) 3D CNN predicted binary labels for slice with uncertainty overlaid.

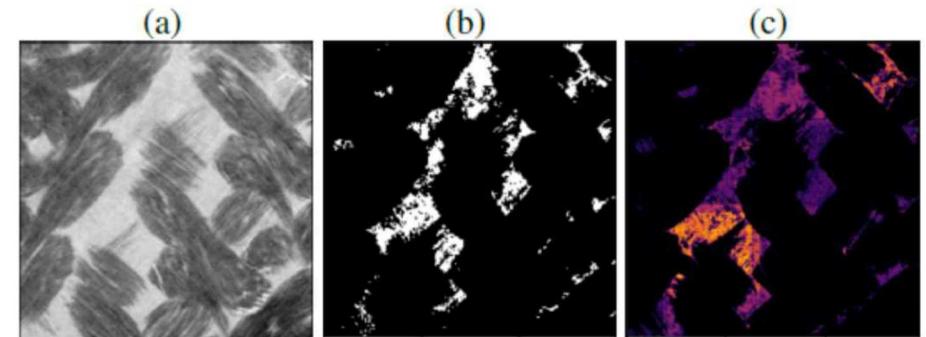
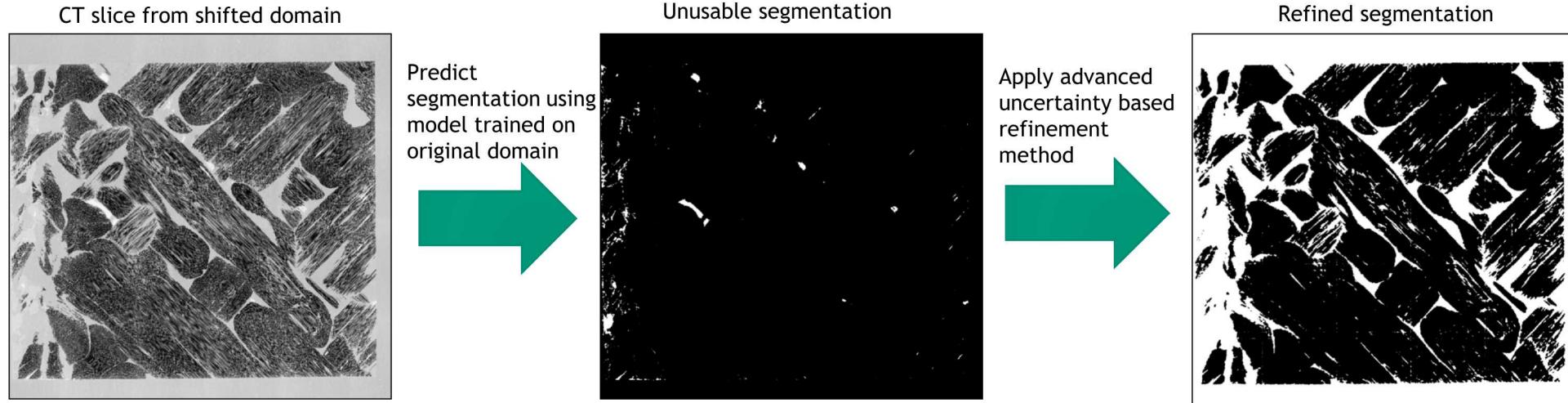


Figure 3. Binary segmentation results on domain-shifted CT scan from CNN without refinement. (a) Slice of CT scan from shifted domain. (b) 3D CNN predicted binary labels for slice. (c) Uncertainty maps for each voxel with brighter pixels representing more uncertainty.

# Novel applications of uncertainty maps drive new research directions

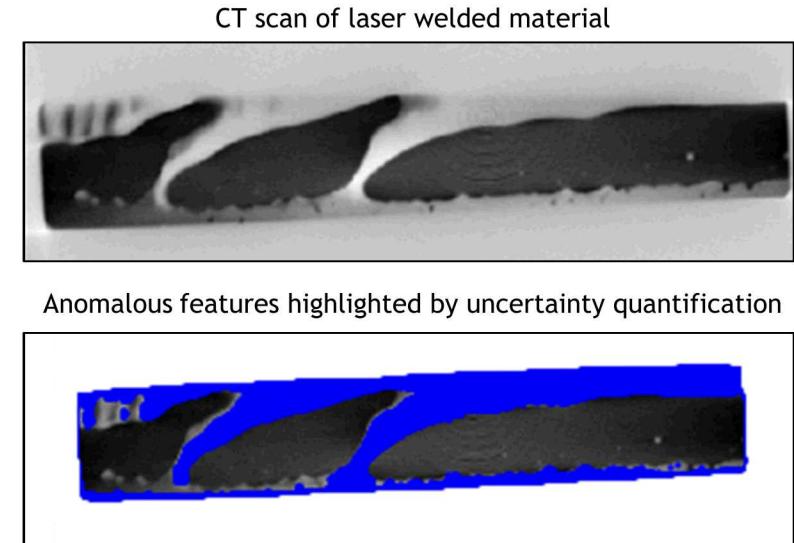


Uncertainty enables DL to overcome domain shift, improve segmentation quality

- Technical Advance SD15006: Segmentation Certainty Through Uncertainty
- Top computer vision conference (CVPR) workshop paper (peer reviewed)

UQ enables anomaly detection

- Potential impact: Meticulous labels not required for usable segmentations

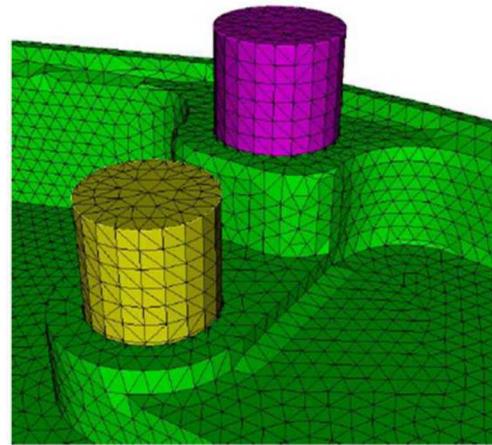


UQ techniques being incorporated into production-level segmentation efforts for Sandia's Digital Twin project

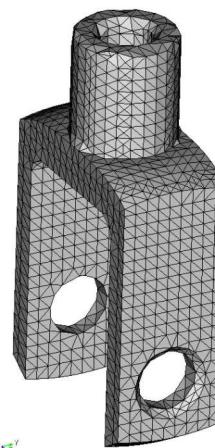
# Automated tetrahedral meshing overview

## Meshing challenges

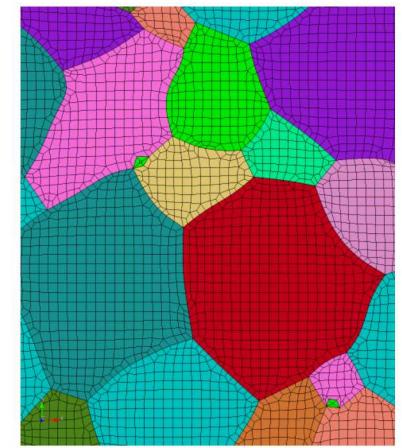
- Many materials
- Sharp features
- Mesh quality
- Mesh count



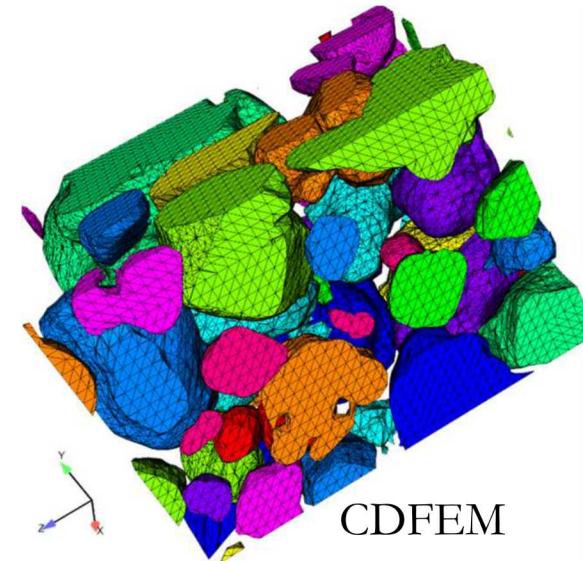
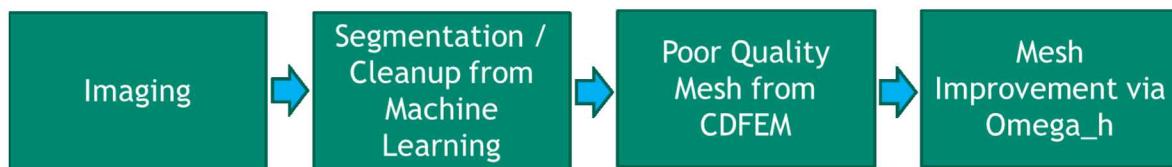
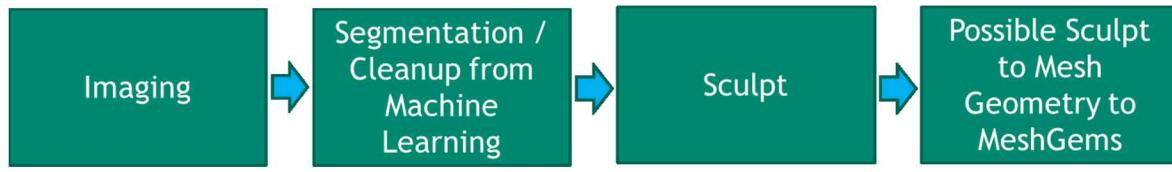
MeshGems



Morph



Sculpt



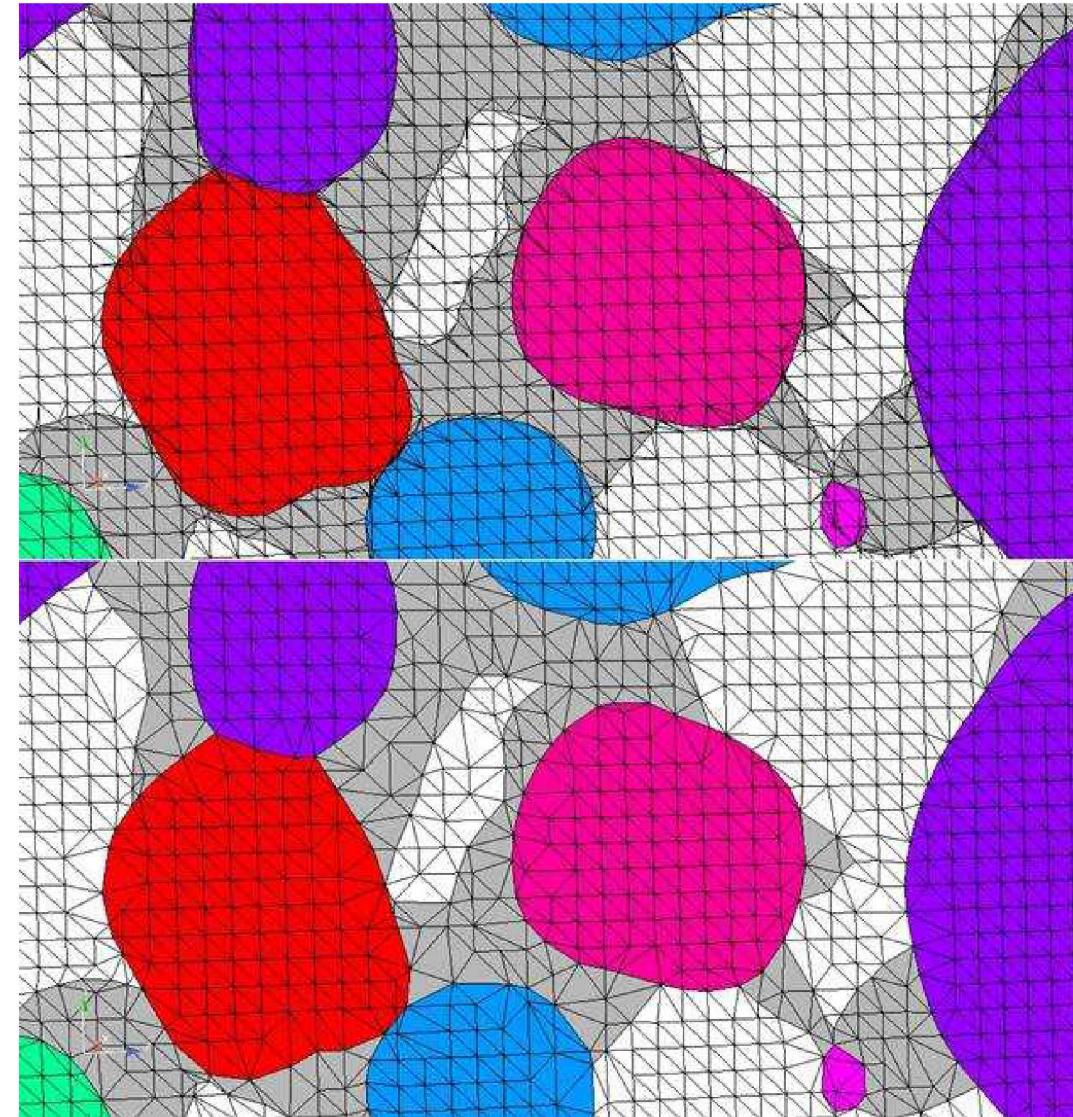
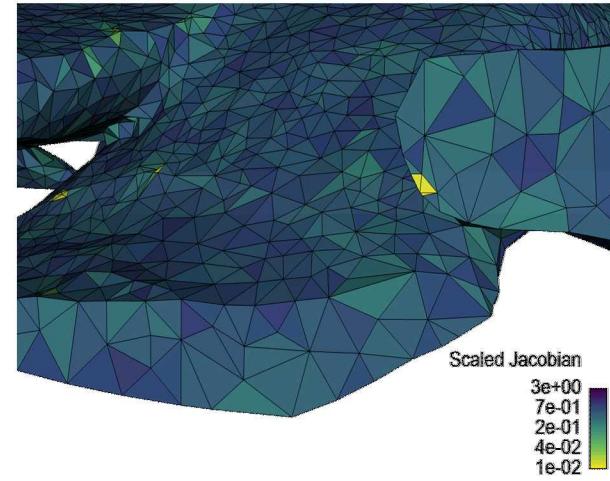
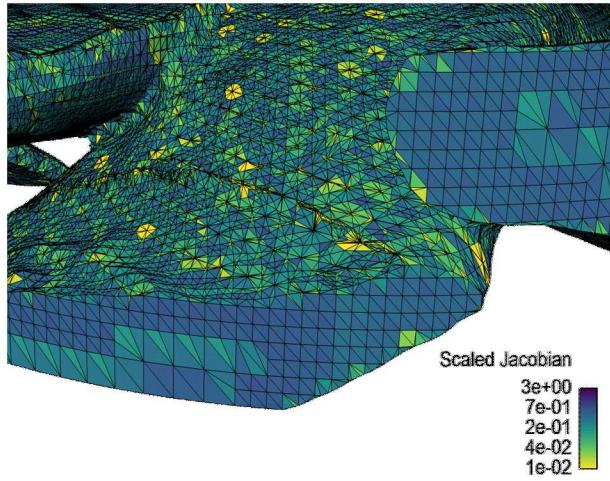
CDFEM

Many approaches under development, likely different algorithms needed for different problems

## 9 | Mesh improvement strategies

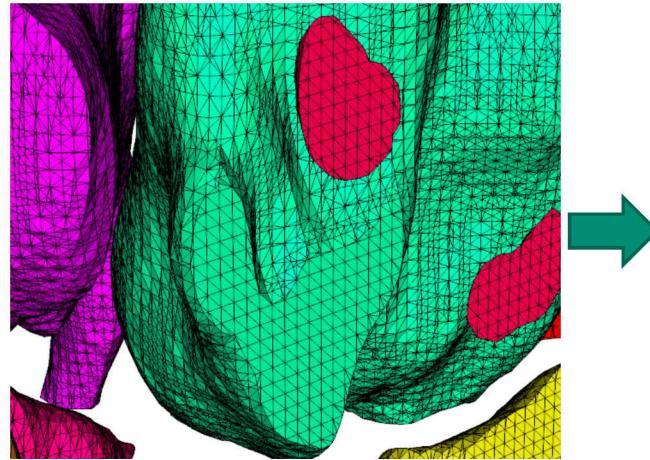
Developed “morph” to improve element quality in CDFEM-generated meshes

- Maintains surface description while (re)moving internal nodes and edges to improve quality
- Works on any exodus/STK mesh
- Available as “improve\_mesh” in Sierra 4.52

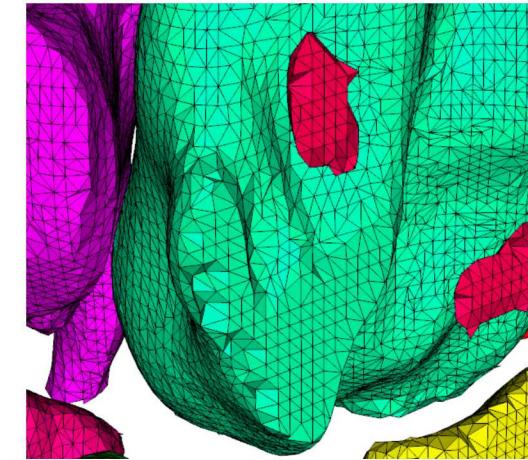
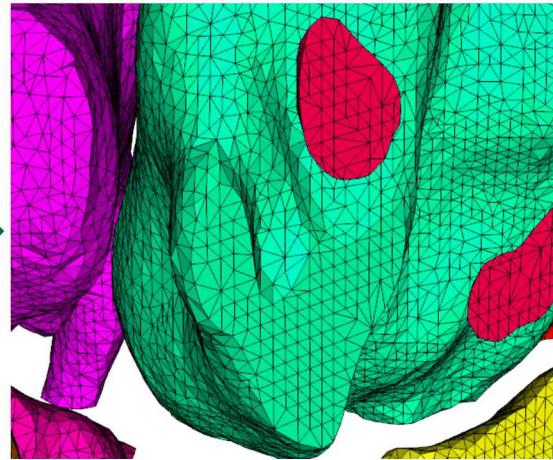


Pathway towards generating mesh quality suitable for solid mechanics analyses

# Newly developed tools for credible microstructure meshing



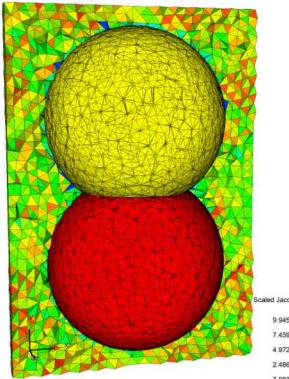
Developed *Emend* for CDFEM mesh improvement



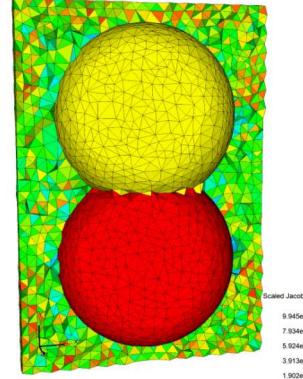
Extend *Morph* for microstructure modeling

Ongoing work: Automatic sharp feature capture from microstructure data

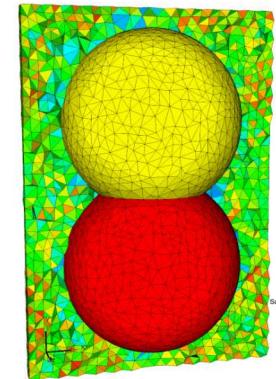
CDFEM:  
Sharp  
Feature with  
Exceedingly  
Low Quality



Morph:  
Guaranteed  
Quality But  
No Sharp  
Feature  
Capture Due  
to STL Input

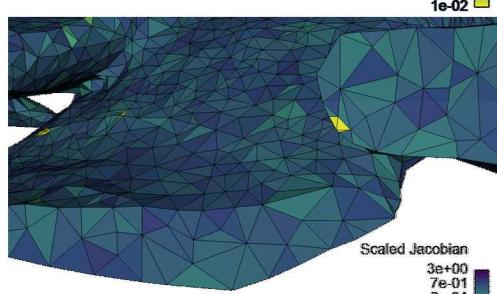
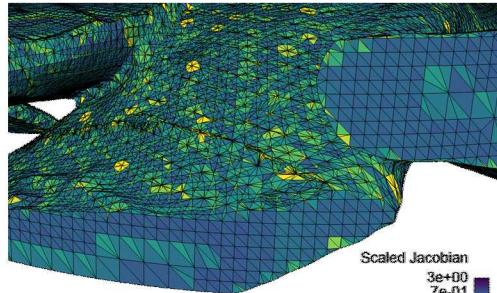
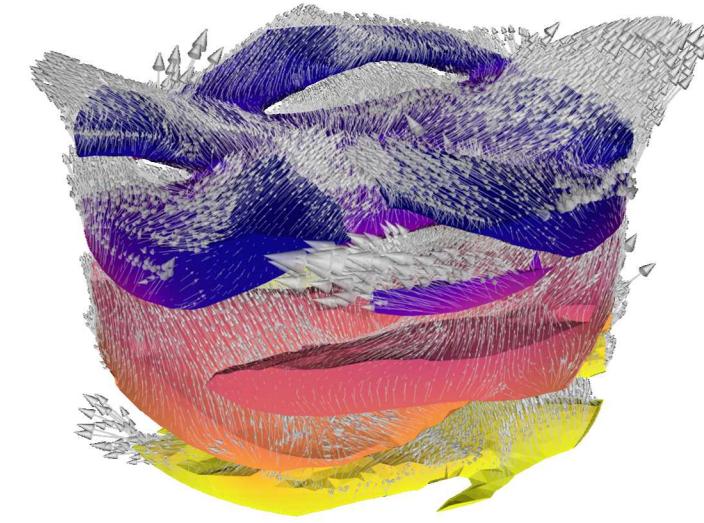
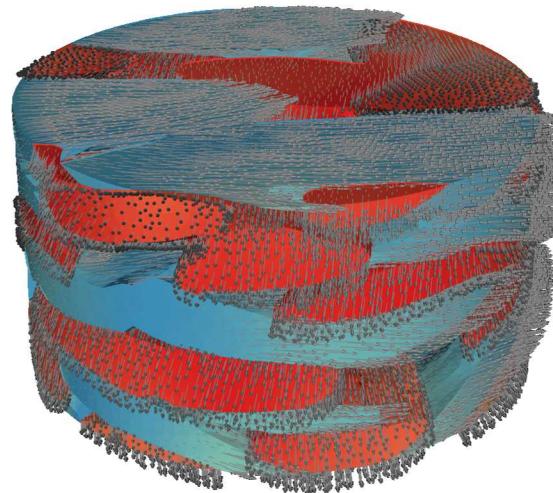
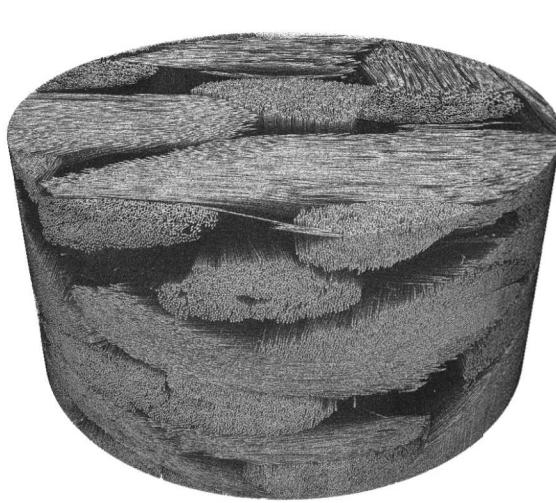


Desired:  
Guaranteed  
Quality While  
Retaining Sharp  
Microstructural  
Features



Advancing state-of-the art in high-quality, automatic tetrahedral mesh generation on complex assemblies

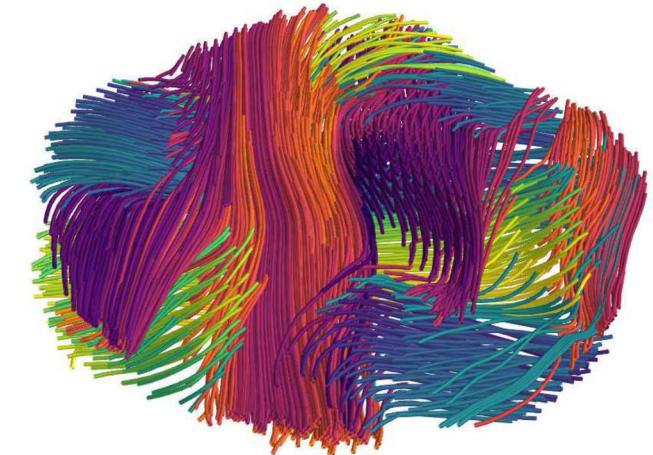
# Anisotropic segmentation and meshing of TPS coupons



Emend improves minimum element quality 4 orders of magnitude, maintaining topology

	Element Count	Average Scaled Jacobian	Min Scaled Jacobian	Effective Cond.
CDFEM	4959942	0.4644	1.456e-9	4.706
Emend	478940	0.5464	1.235e-5	4.837

Use tow texture to calculate orientation and separate weave



First high-quality meshed TPS coupon from image to simulation using fully automatic workflow

### Previous

- Battery degradation LDRD (2014-2016)
- Battery mesoscale modeling DOE/EERE/VTO (2016-2019)

### Ongoing

- C-SWARM PSAAP Center at Notre Dame (Matous)
- Detonators W78 (Erikson)
- Machine learning for mesh generation (Shead/Owen)
- Sandia Injury Biomechanics Laboratory (Hovey)
- Foam / GMB encapsulation (Long, Kramer)
- Shaped charges (Korbin)
- Laser welds (Karlson)



# Upcoming activities and challenges

## Machine learning

- Instance segmentation (labeling) and learning of anisotropic directionality
- Surface meshing using graph neural networks (GNNs)
- Surface, edge, and vertex detection

## Meshing

- Algorithmically automate surface meshing
- Meshing of sharp features from STL files in morph
- Additional control of topology change and element quality in emend

## Uncertainty quantification and propagation

- Propagate image uncertainty through to mesh and physics simulation
- Identify uncertainty from surface and volume meshing and propagate

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