

## *Theme, Scope, Objectives, and Evolution of PPM*

(discussion)

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# Predicting Performance Margins (PPM):

## Developing a stochastic framework to better quantify the effects of material variability on performance margins

- Materials are intrinsically inhomogeneous, but the relationship between microstructural variability and resulting properties is often **unknown**.

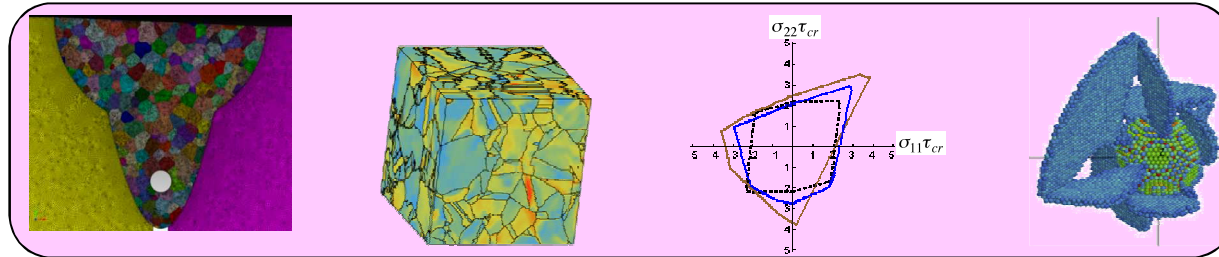
⇒ Current design and analysis models are too often based on a few observations of material behavior rather than a statistical description.

**PPM Project Goal:** Provide a **science-based, probabilistic underpinning** for design and analysis capabilities that links microscopic differences to property variability.

While PPM's technical focus centers around deformation and failure of welds, PPM is intended to be a *bellwether* program where the core theme of materials variability can expand into many other topics from glass/ceramic materials failure to polymer aging to electrical contact tribology.

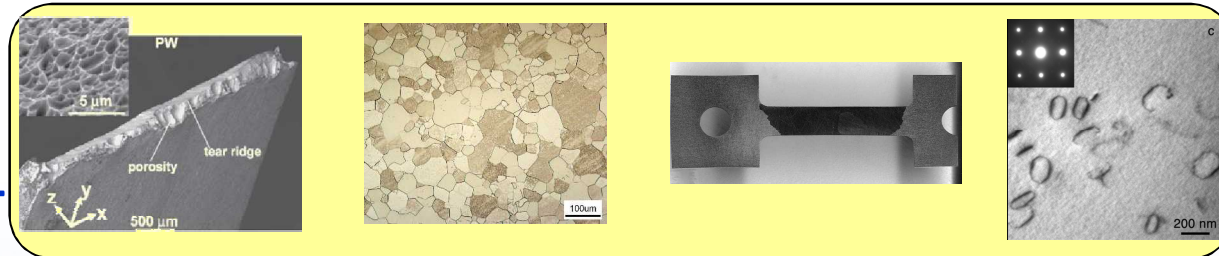
# PPM integrates models and experiments using parallel continuum-down and atoms-up approaches

Models



The large scale of PPM (>20 researchers) permits intentional unification of experiments and computational methods at all length scales bridging from atomistic up to component-level.

Experiments



**Material performance**

$10^0$  m  $10^6$  s

**Microstructural effects**

$10^{-3}$  m  $10^3$  s

**Single crystal behavior**

$10^{-6}$  m  $10^0$  s

**Atomic scale phenomena**

$10^{-9}$  m  $10^{-9}$  s

PPM provides the 'glue' that unites scientists with engineers. It fulfills our motto of 'science-based engineering'.

Atoms-up: Develop physics-based models to provide scientific insight

Continuum-down: Augment engineering-scale models to provide customer value

PPM strengthens bridges between the materials science, solid mechanics, and component engineering communities.

*The PPM Program draws inspiration from Materials Genome and Integrated Computational Materials Engineering (ICME) Initiatives*

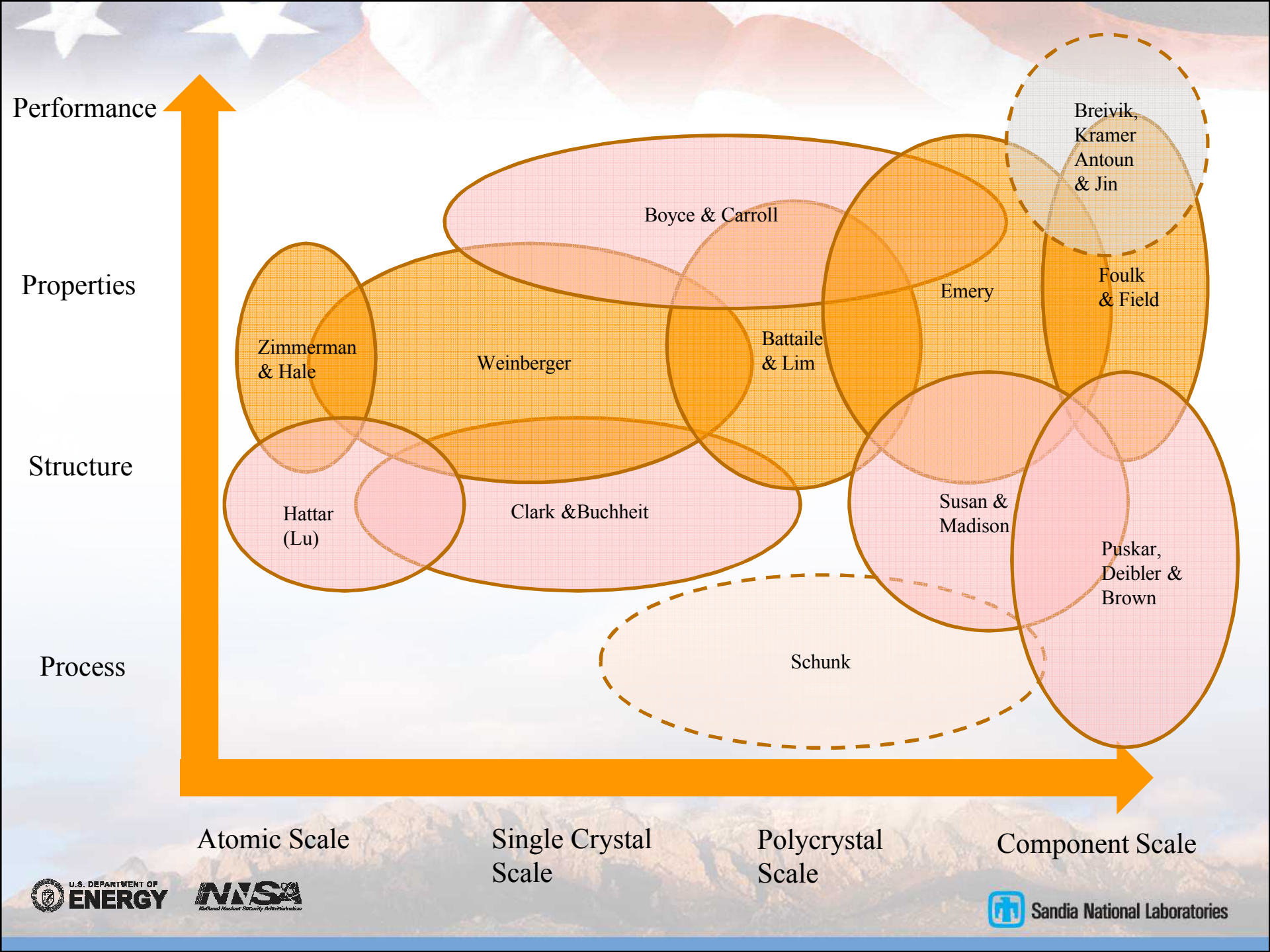
# ***PPM builds a Materials-centric foundation to enhance agility and responsiveness for future mission needs***

- **Develop people with the right expertise to solve non-nuclear material problems.**
  - **Build staff relationships and foster growth at every career-stage**
    - Sustained, focused research opportunity, support individual initiative, expand NW contacts, provide project leadership opportunities, intentional mentorship.
  - **Pass on knowledge to the new generation**
    - Familiarize new staff with common NW problems and materials, foster new capabilities, propagate corporate knowledge, provide foundation for science-based requirements and future NW customer support
- **Ready experimental and computational infrastructure for future needs.**
  - **Advanced characterization and testing capabilities are honed:**
    - 3D microscopy, FIB, tomography, digital image correlation quantitative nano/microstructural scale deformation, multi-axial weld test capabilities
  - **Modeling and simulation capabilities are brought online and ‘put to the test’:**
    - Physical mechanistic models, constitutive relationships, homogenization / reduced-order models, integration within existing SIERRA solid mechanics and structural dynamics
- **Own the vision to address recurring non-nuclear materials concerns.**
  - **Materials community takes ownership to champion NW material problems which *transcend* tail-numbers and production schedules.**
    - Other potential *transcendental* topics beyond weld reliability: microelectronic packaging reliability, glass-to-metal seal failure, electrical contact tribology, aging degradation of foams and polymers, long-term material compatibility...



Five ways in which you can contribute to PPM:

1. Show connections where your PPM work provides a foundation for NW efforts
2. Find useful ways to bridge length scales (homogenize, reduce order, etc)
3. Connect experiments & models (phenomenology, validation, etc)
4. Develop statistical insight and framework for material variability.
5. Publish high quality journal articles



**FY11-12**

**FY13**

**FY14-16**

Processing Influence  
On Porosity and  $\mu$ structure

Ta-10W Weld  
Process Optimiz.

Porosity Homog

Effect of  
Penetration Depth

Weld Residual Stress

Dynamic  
Loading

Shear+Tensile  
Failure of Welds.

Ta-10W Deformation

Ta-10W Creep

Elevated Temperature  
Test Capability

Ta-10W Weld Deformation  
And Creep Rupture at Temp

Porosity Distribution/  
Morphology Characteriz.

Statistical  
Observations of  
shear Weld Failure

Statistical Reduced  
Order Model Formulation

Crack formation from  
pre-existing pores

Predicted Stochastic  
Failure Distribution

Validated  
Multiphase  
CP

304L Recrystallization  
Model + Experiments

Groger-Vitek Parameter  
Determination for Ta

CP Validation  
On Single Crystals

**Grain Scale**

CP Boundary  
Hardening Law

CP-scale Crack  
Initiation Criterion

Multiphase FCC+BCC  
CP model for 304L

CP Morphology and  
Texture of Weld  $\mu$ structure

CP Statistical  
Distribution  
Predictions

Grain Boundary  
Slip Transmissibility

Oligocrystal Strain  
And Rotation Comparison

Interacting defect fields

Grain-scale  
Strain and Rotation  
Maps

Strain Field Quant.  
At pre-exist Defects

BCC CP

Analytic  
Crack Nucleation  
Criterion?

Nanoscale  
Crack Nucleation  
observation

Subgrain cell wall  
Predictions?

**Atomic Scale**

Stochastic framework  
For upscaling atomic  
Simulations?

Peierls  
Calculations

Dislocation-Boundary  
Interactions?

Slip phenomenology  
in Ta and BCC metals