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Addressing Complexity in Additive Manufacturing

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2 Complexity is Available

Advanced manufacturing provides ever expanding design freedom & value

- complex freeforms, internal structures, integration

Geometry

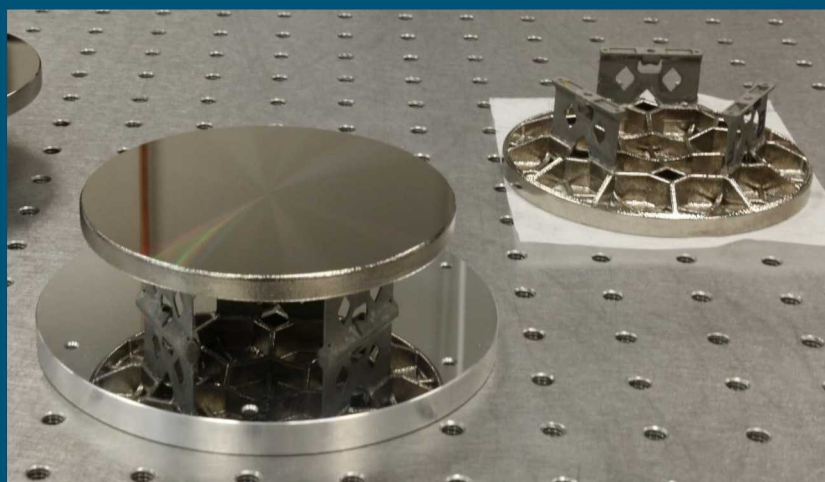
Engineered materials

- gradients & microstructure

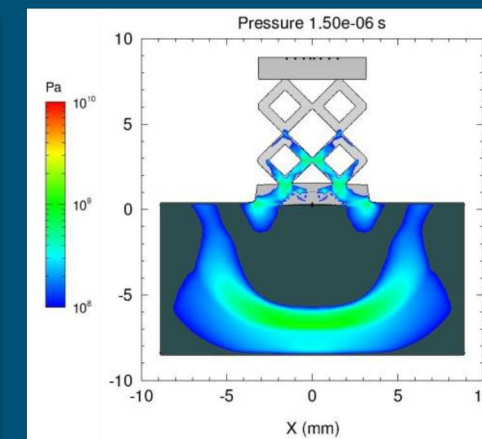


316L SS HOT SHOT top cap on plate

Photo by Mike Bejarano and Mark Olona, Sandia Lab News



AM Ti6Al4V mirror w/diamond turned electroless Ni coating, Jared, ASPE, 2017



CTH simulation of 250m/s lattice impact

3 Laser Powder Bed Fusion

3D Systems ProX 200

- CW ytterbium, single mode fiber laser
 - 1070nm, 300W max power, 100μm dia.
 - scan speed = 1.4m/sec
- rotating powder roller
- Ar backfill & cover gas flow

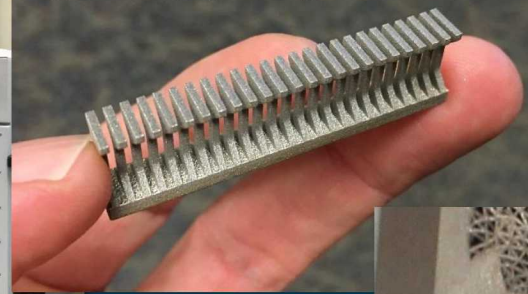
Part capabilities

- 140x140x100mm build volume
- 316L stainless steel
 - 20-30μm diameter powder
- deposition rate $\sim 100\text{mm}^3/\text{min}$
- $10^5\text{-}10^6\text{C/s}$ heating & cooling rates

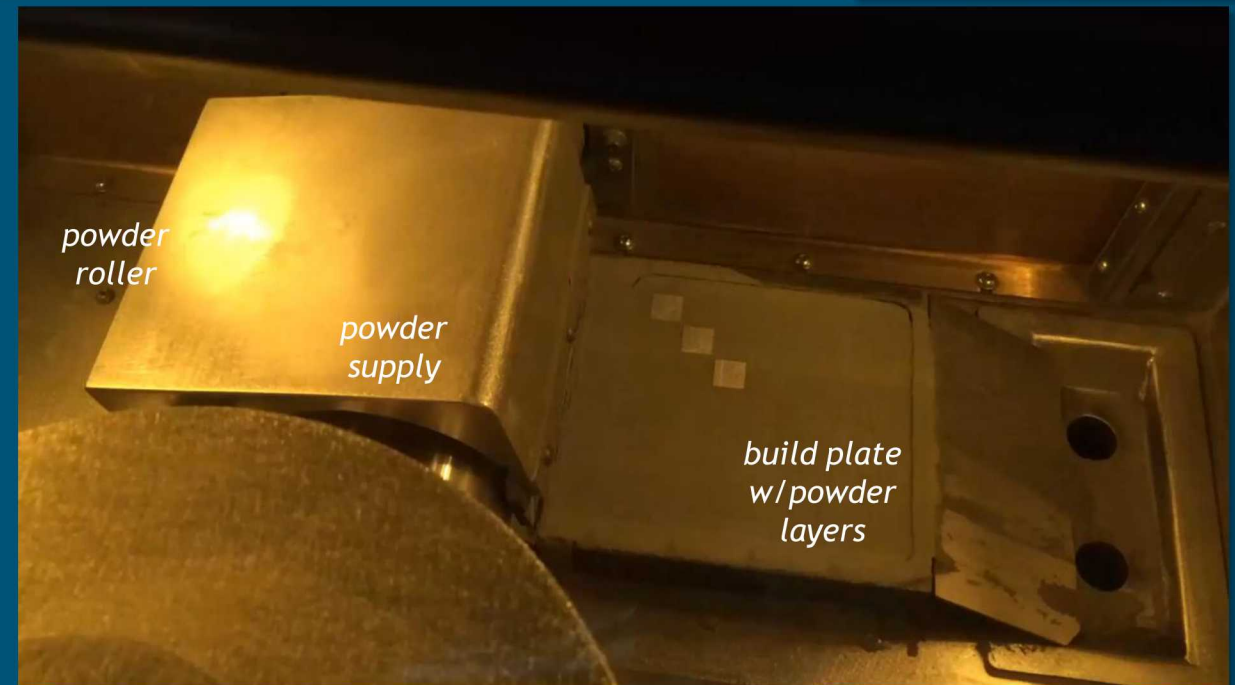


ProX 200, materials science lab

high throughput dogbone sample



Sandia T-bird lattice



powder roller

powder supply

build plate w/powder layers

4 But, Complexity Isn't Free

Features tied to requirements incur costs

AM material formation concurrent w/geometry

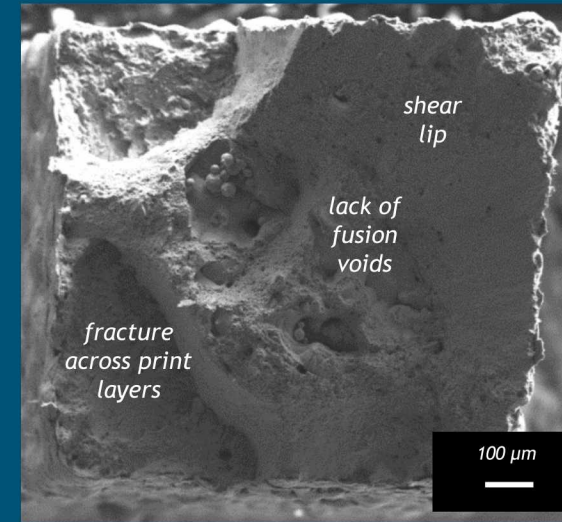
- want to predict part/material performance
- **how to ID a bad part?**
 - significant design margins and/or rigorous post-process inspection / validation

Understand mechanistic impacts on properties

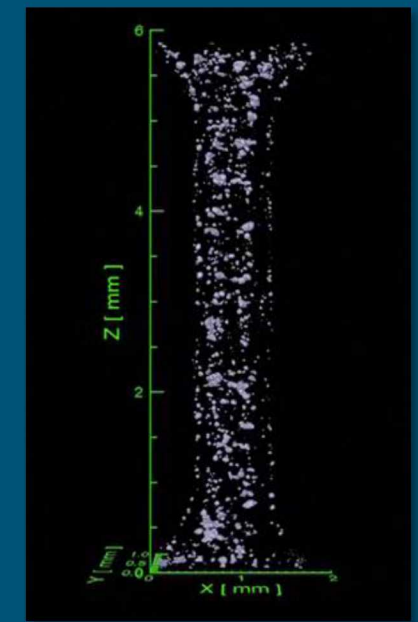
- build process-structure-property relationships to predict **margins & reliability**
- characterize stochastic response to design for **uncertainties**
- provide scientific basis for qualification of AM metals for high consequence applications

Quantify **critical** material defects & **useful** signatures

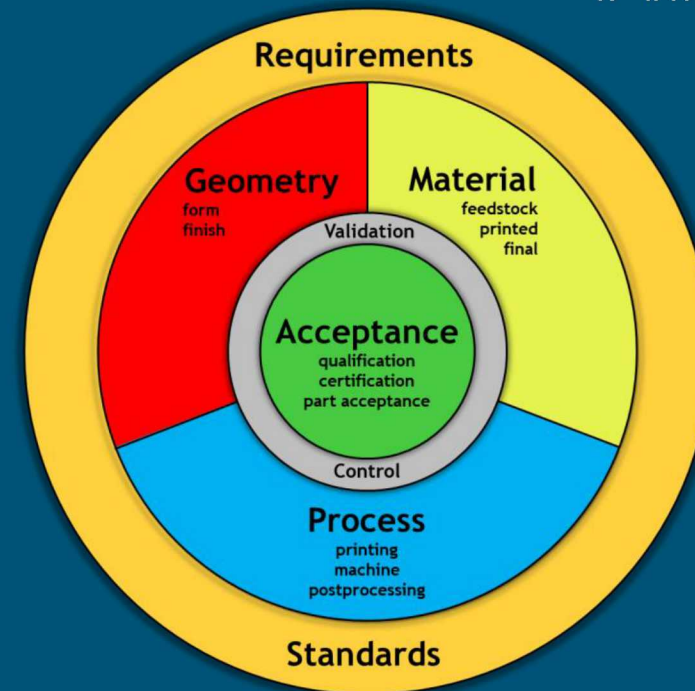
- D-tests, NDE, process monitoring, mod-sim



17-4PH dogbone fracture surface



17-4PH dogbone porosity



*elements of
qualification
Jared, Sci Tech and
Appl of Metals in
AM, 2019*

Lack of Process Control Produced Material Uncertainty in Early AM Metals



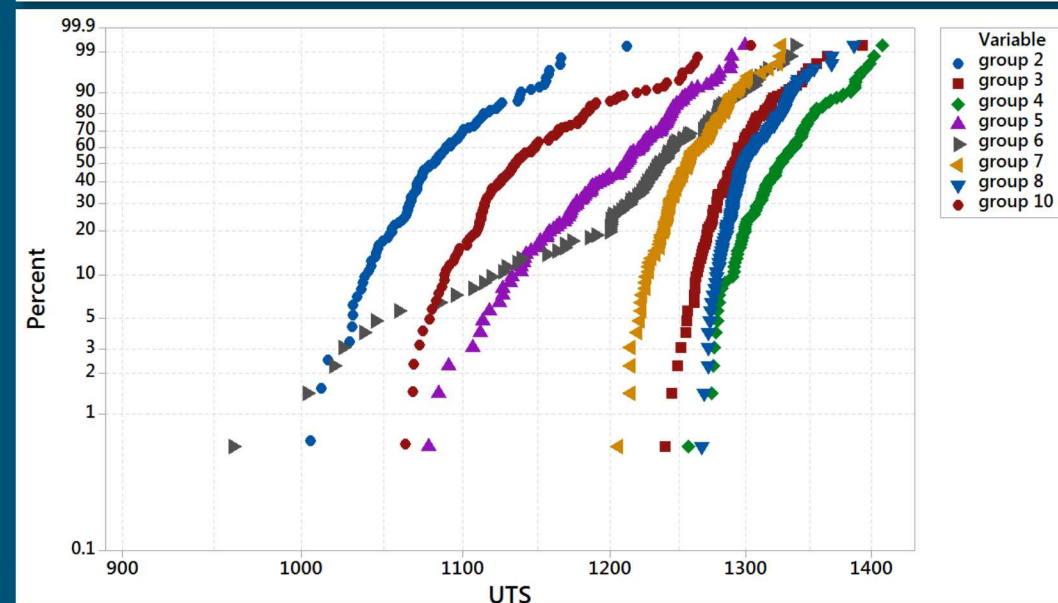
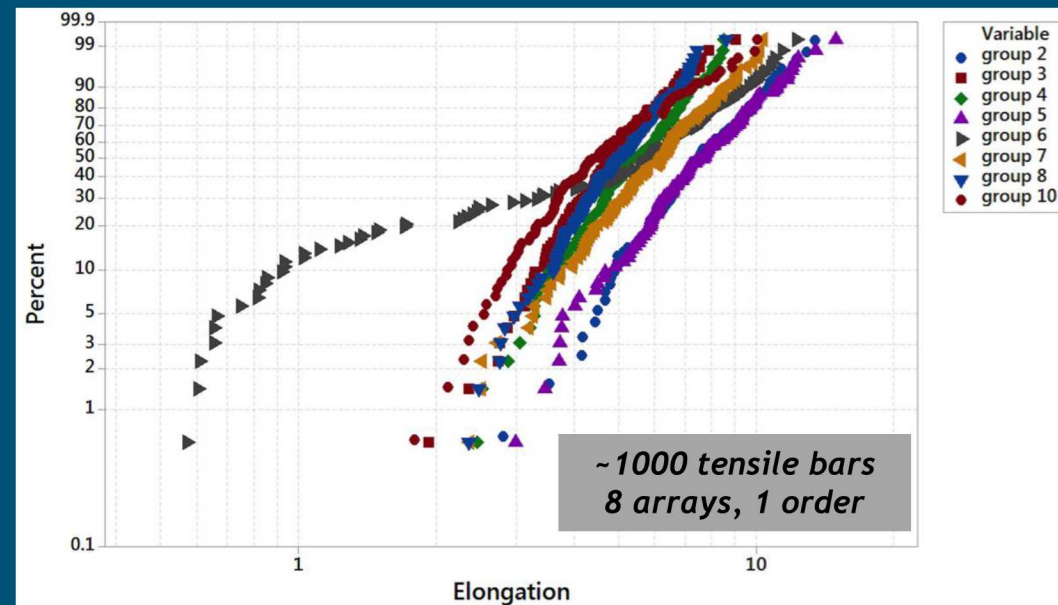
17-4PH parts from external vendor

- analysis confirmed 17-4PH composition, but unexpected microstructure

Sandia did not know

- feedstock pedigree, machine, build environment, process inputs or post-processing steps

Not-surprisingly, extensive material variability observed



17-4PH

entrapped
gas

lack of
fusion

Blue = Austenite (FCC)
Red = Martensite/Ferrite (BCC)
Black = non-indexed

SHT + H900
age, 43%
austenite

phase map
MAG: 200x HV: 20 kV WD: 17.0 mm

90 μm

20 μm

High Throughput Tensile Testing (Gen I)

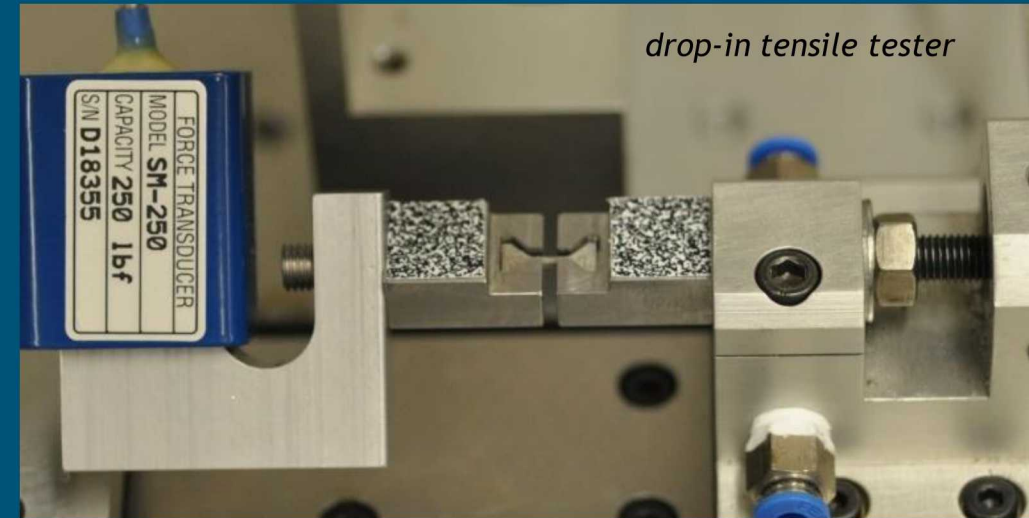
Monolithic build w/110 dogbones

- custom design per ASTM

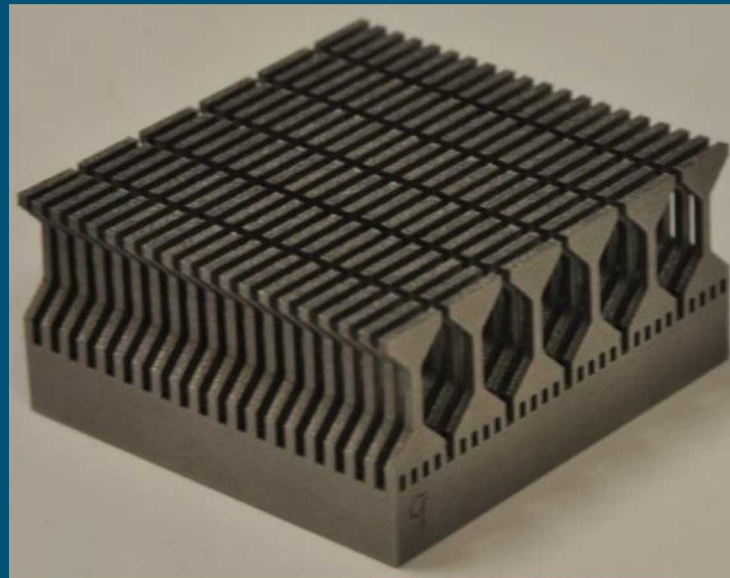
Digital image correlation (DIC)

Necessary to rapidly capture material distributions

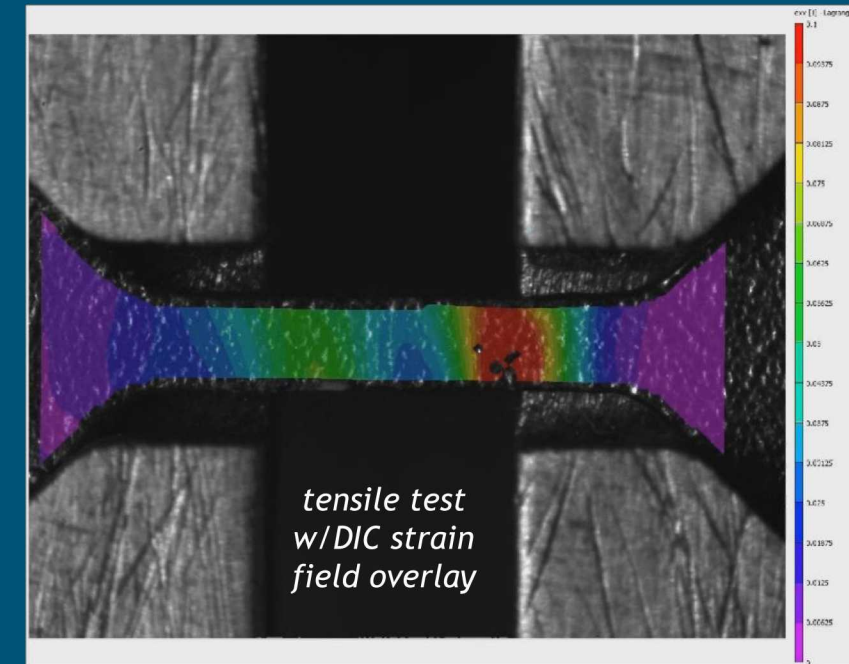
- applicable for the lab & production



Salzbrenner, *Journal of Materials Processing Technology*, 2017



high throughput test sample w/ 120 dogbones,
1x1mm gage x-section

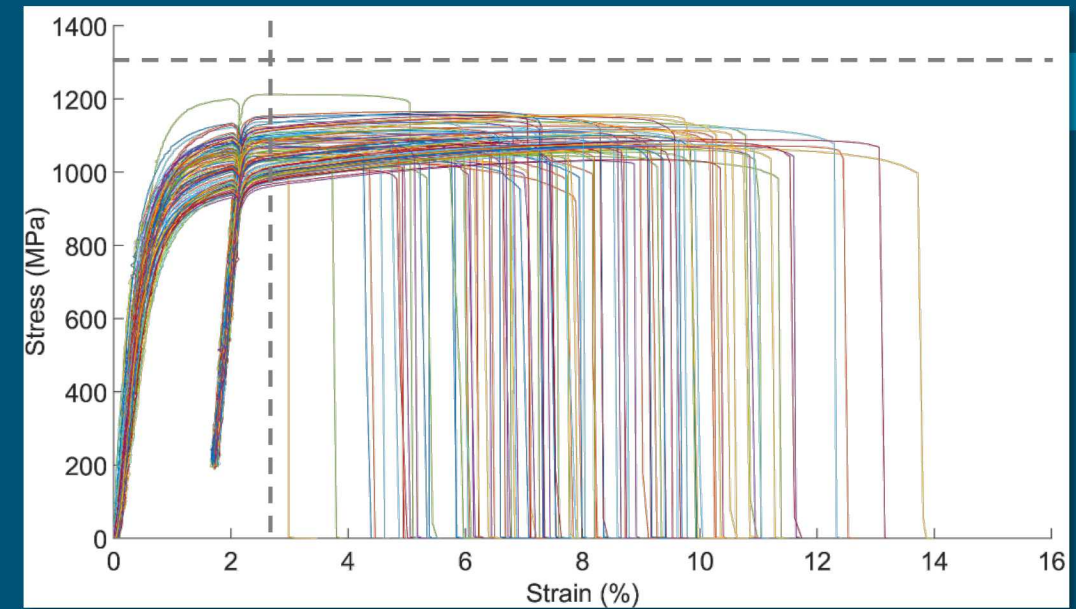


7 Stochastic Response of AM Metals

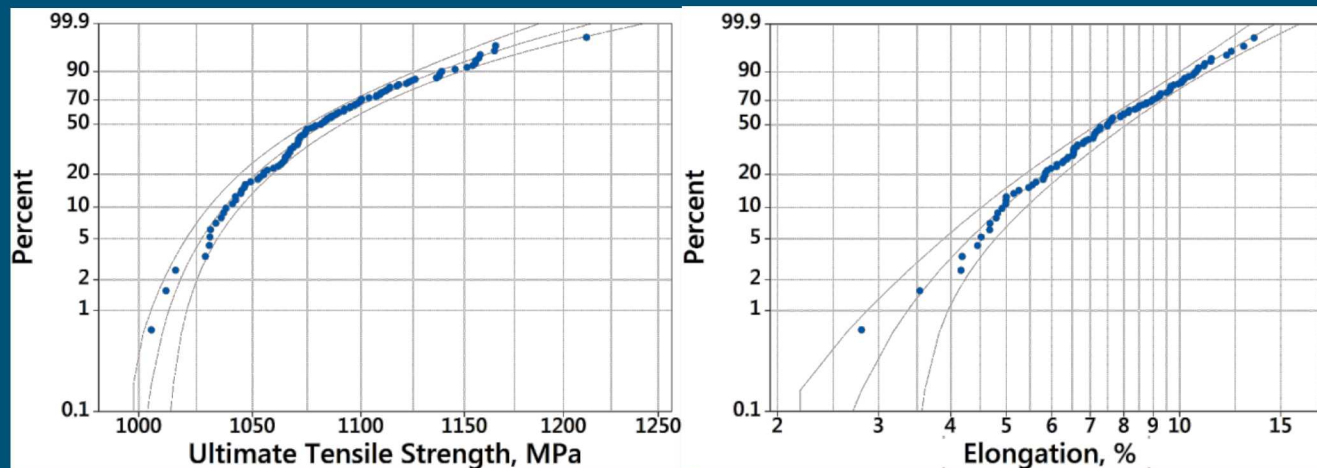
Defect dominated failure

- 3-parameter Weibull informs design threshold
- ductile dimples & shear rupture planes
- voids & lack-of-fusion boundaries are likely crack nucleation sites

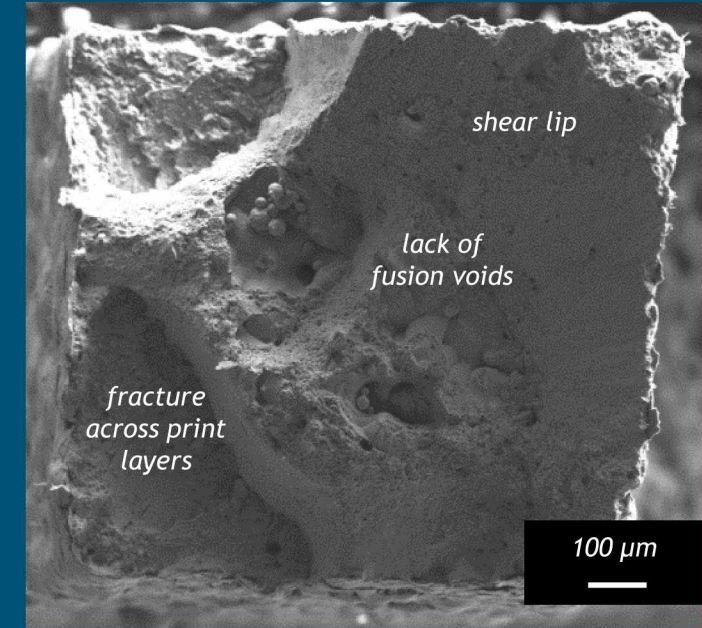
How to capture efficiently & accurately?



110 stress-strain curves for 17-4 PH after SHT+H900

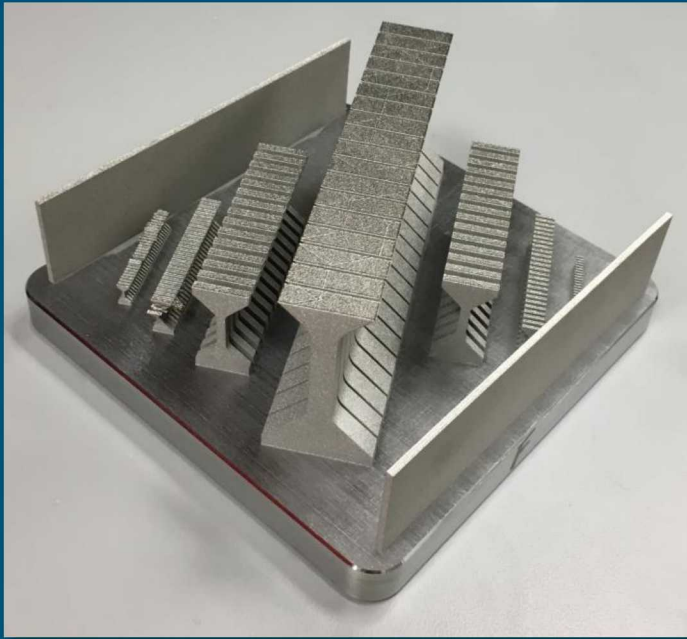


material performance fit to 3-parameter Weibull distributions

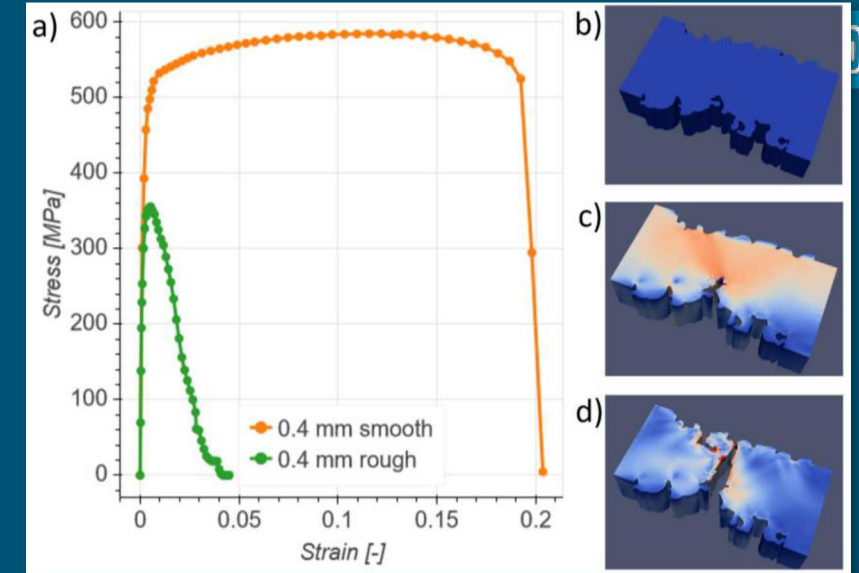
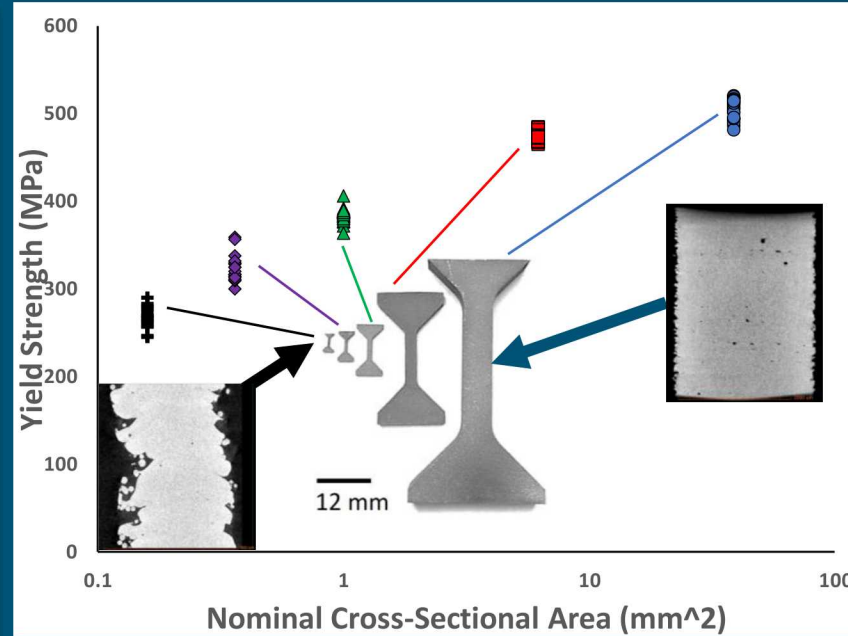


failure at 2% elongation, SHT+H900

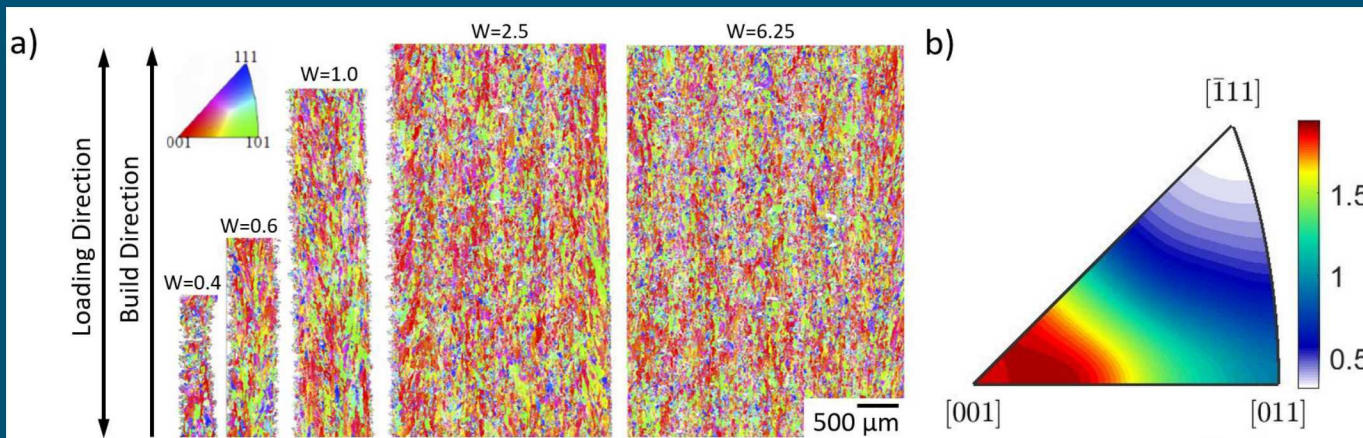
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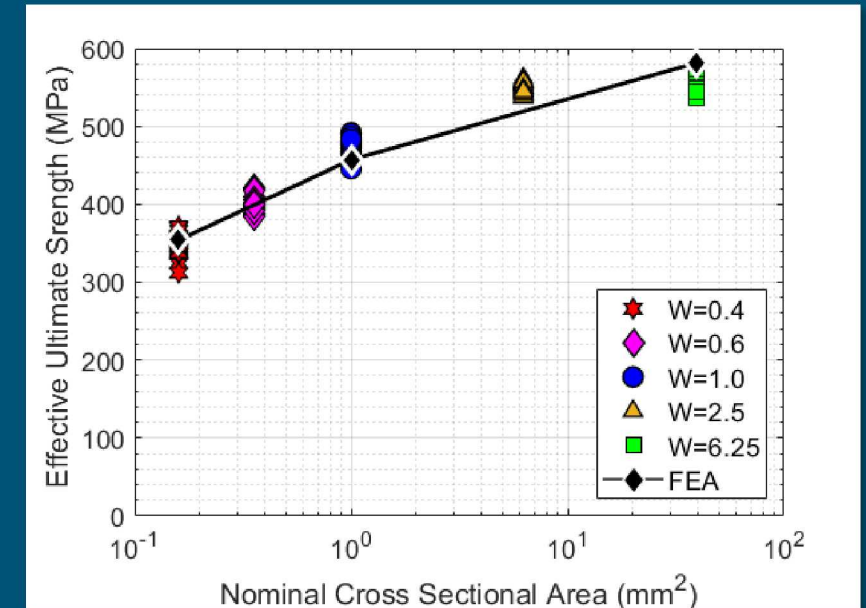
Prox 200 build plate w/ tensile samples



surface roughness dramatically reduces strength of features with similar size scale



microstructure is invariant w/ sample size



FEA model incorporating surface finish correlates well to experiments

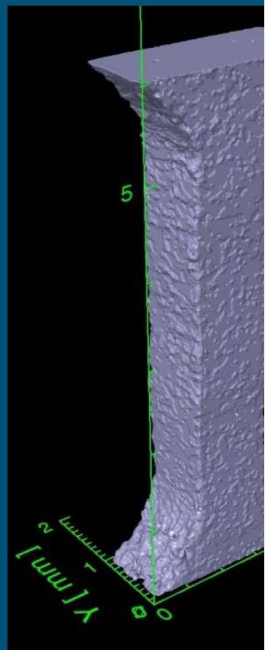
Tying Structure (Porosity) to Properties

Extensive work using computed tomography (CT)

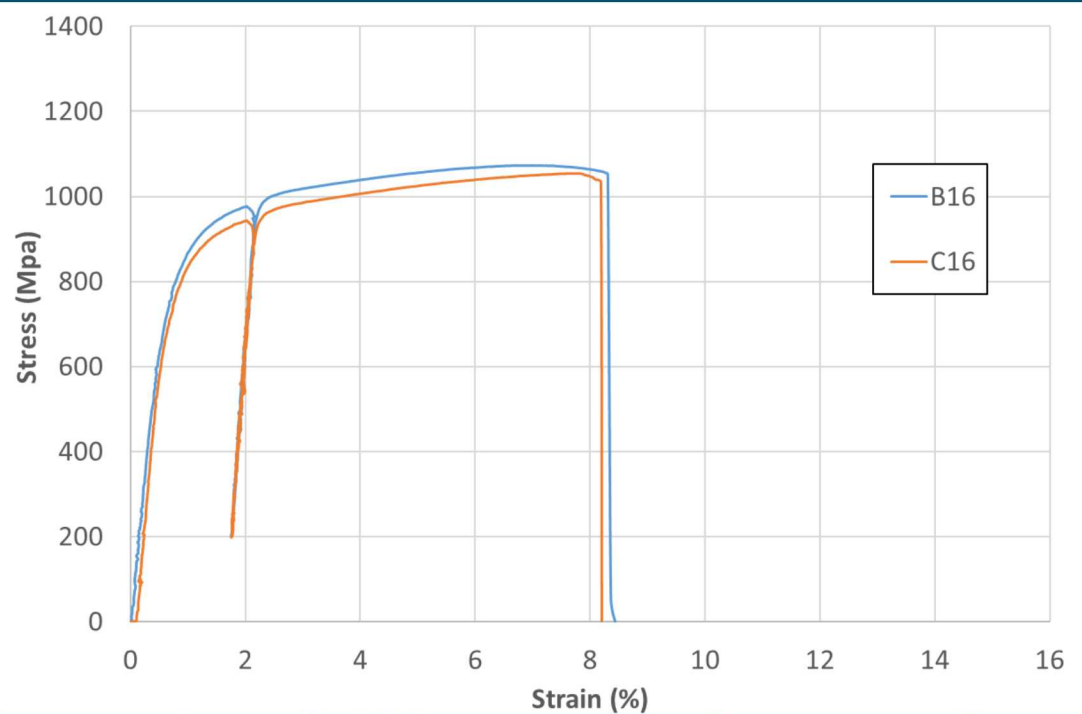
- multiple potential metrics exist
- correlations are immature

Prediction of uniformly dispersed porosity fields is difficult

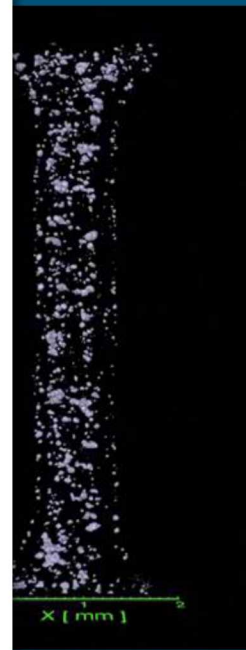
- behavior falls within an expected performance distribution



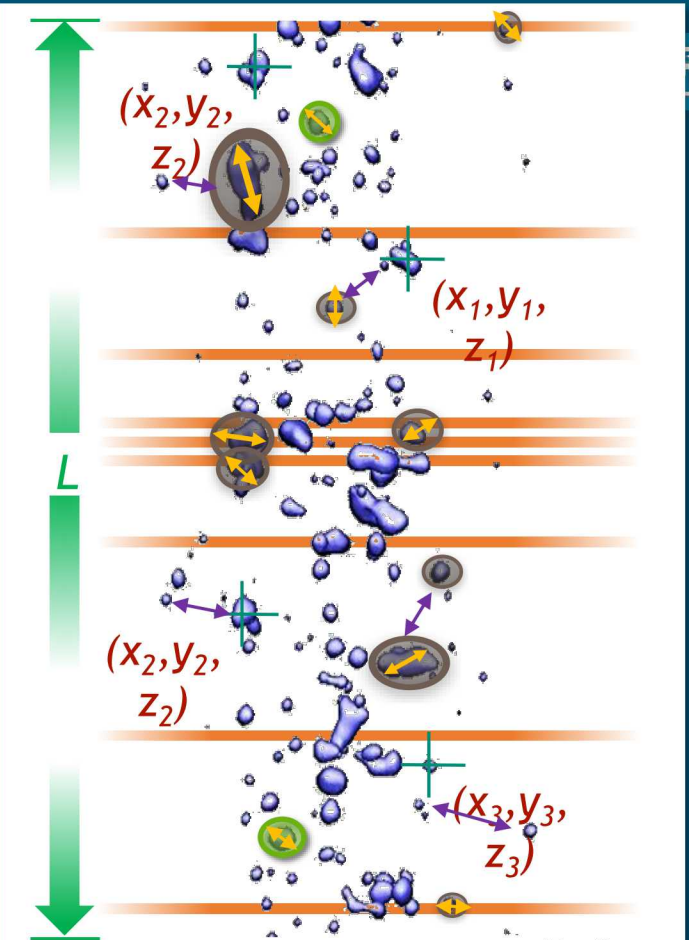
17-4PH dogbone



porosity map (right)



porosity map (right)



Madison,
QNDE, 2018

- 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 ($NND_{avg.}$)*

Gross Defects Drive Performance Outliers

Failure initiates near large pores

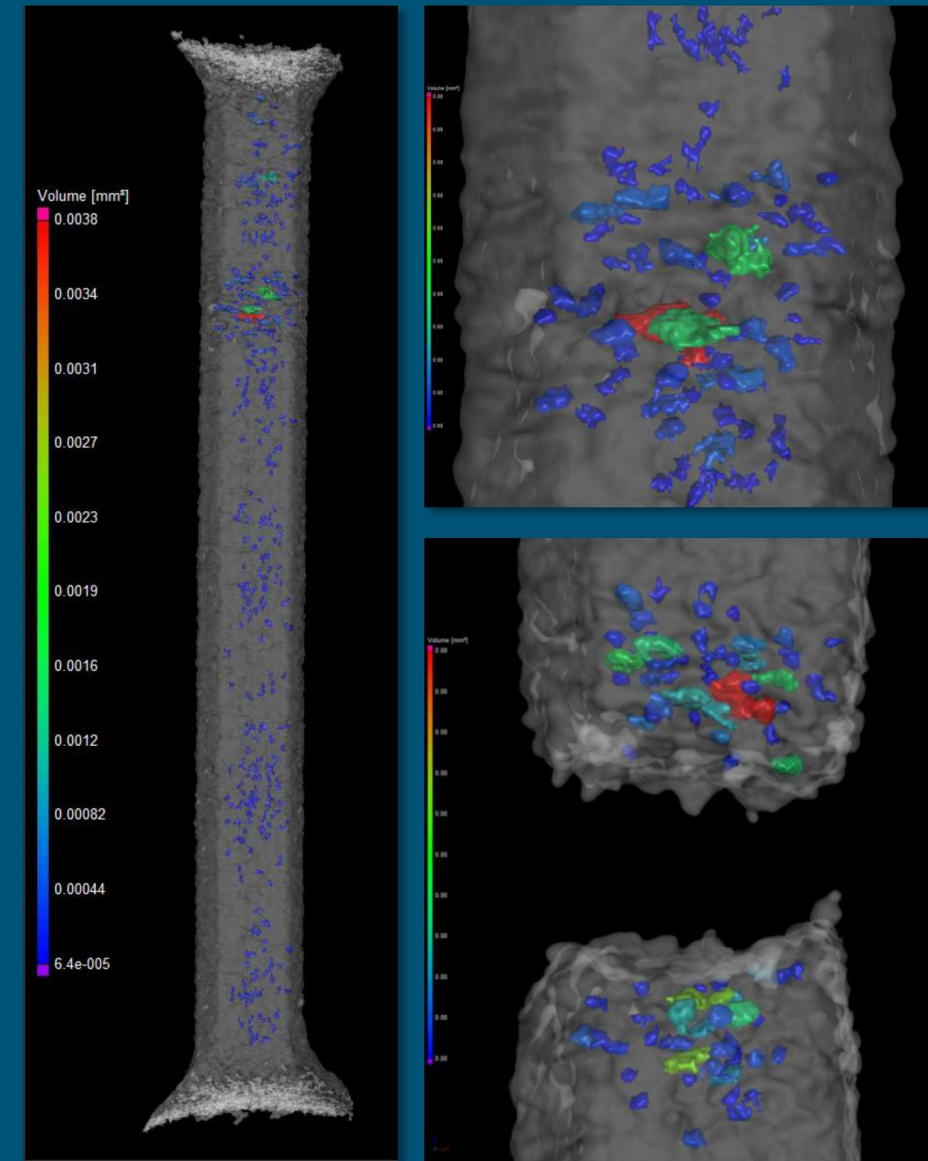
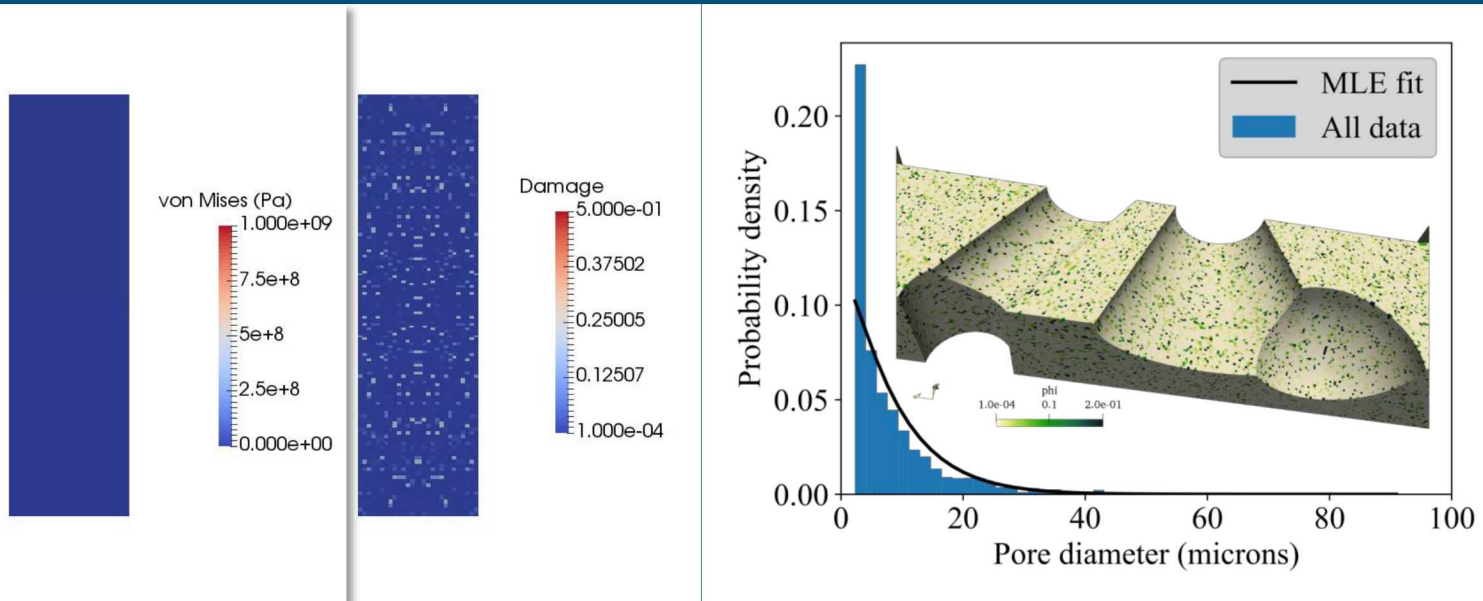
Potential tolerance bound

- design requirements
- CT inspection
- process monitoring

Performance simulation represent power analysis & diagnostics tools

representing porosity as initial damage

Johnson, Int J Fract, 2019



1x10mm 316L SS tensile dogbone (left) from digital volume correlation (DVC), gross porosity region (top right), failure region (bottom right)

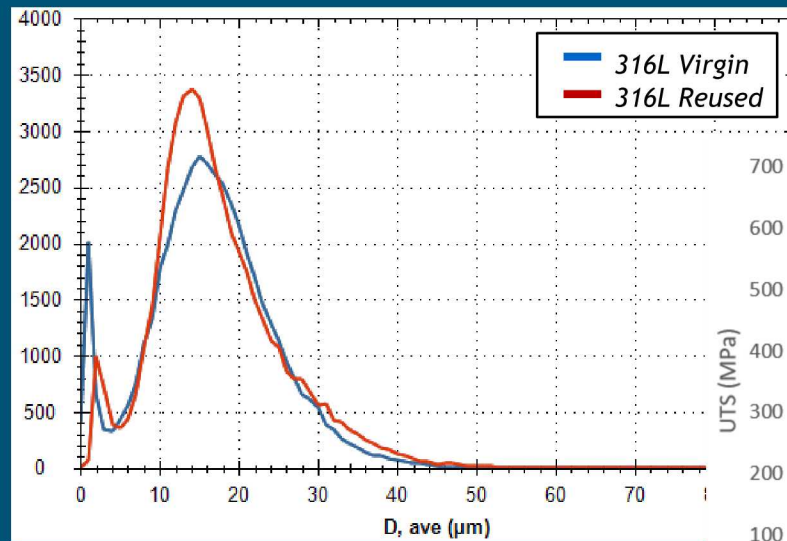
11 Monitoring Powder Reuse

Tracking powder size, morphology & EDS composition w/reuse

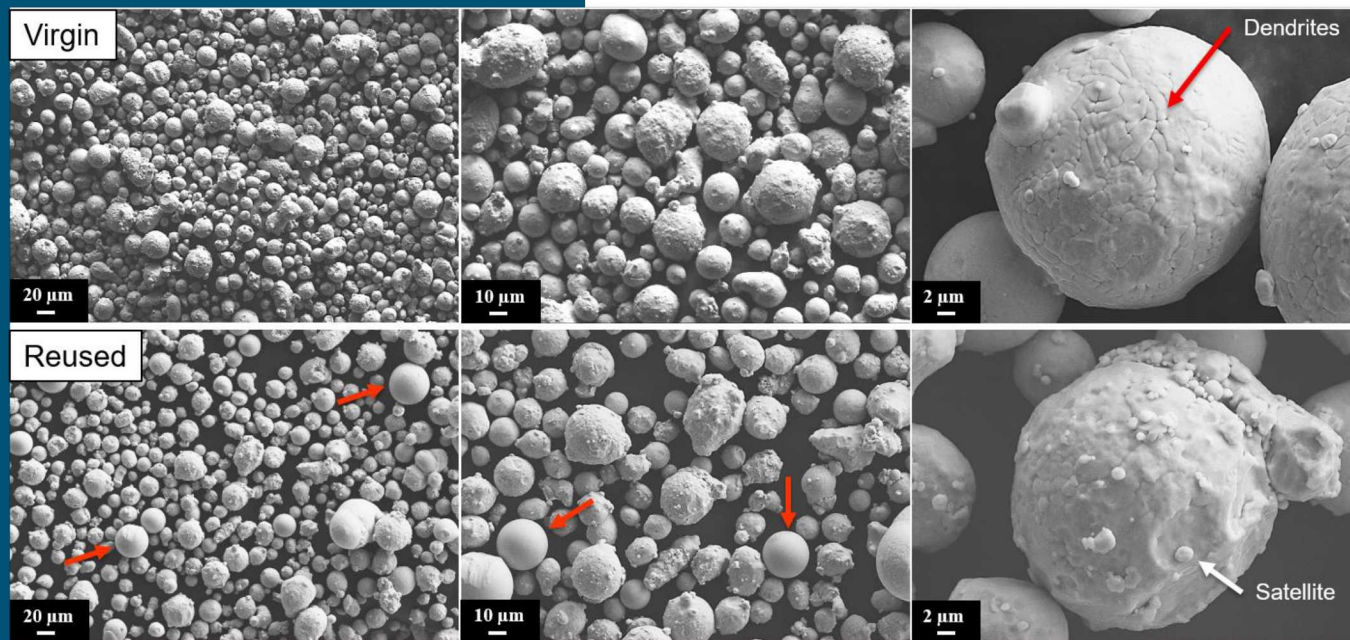
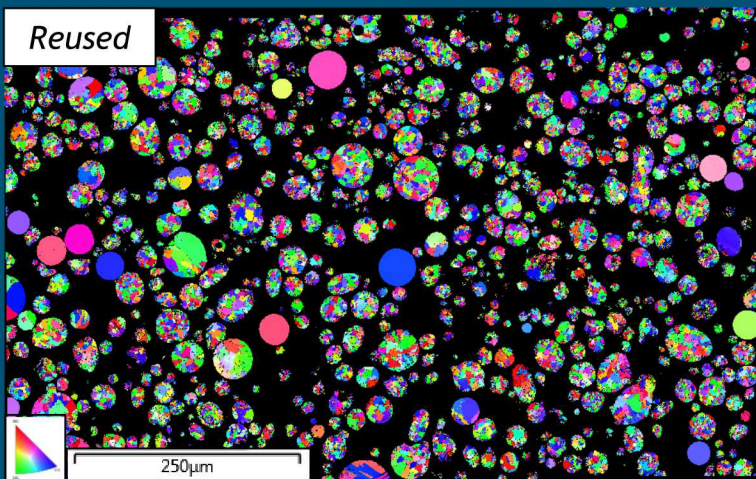
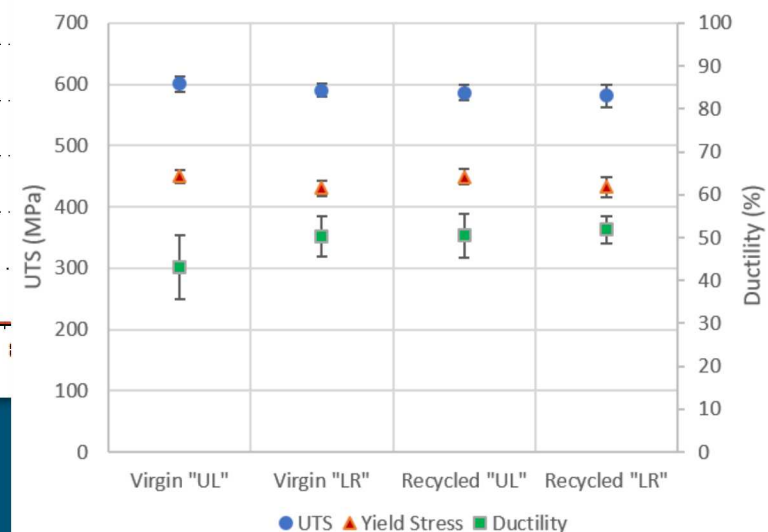
- satellites & agglomerates increase
- observe highly spherical, ferrite particles
- increase in fines & reduction in larger particles
- collected over 30 reuses w/powder under Ar

Material properties remain stable

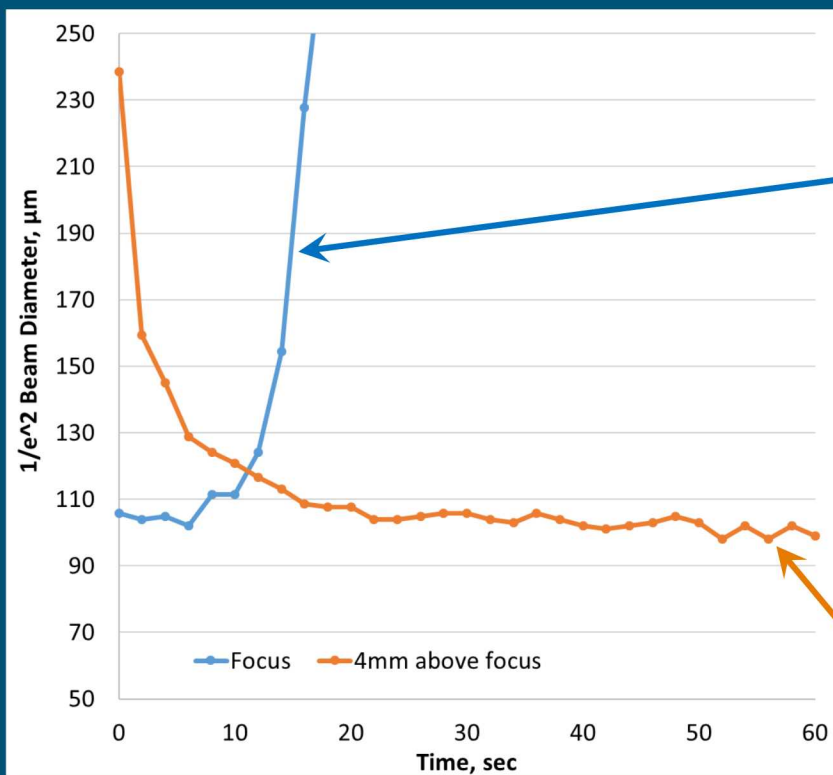
316L SS is a robust material for processing & properties



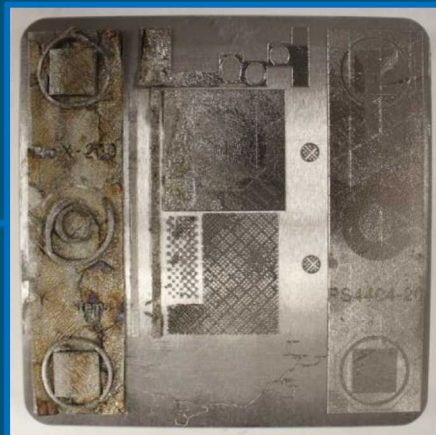
Virgin: 7.90 g/cm³
Reused: 7.81 g/cm³



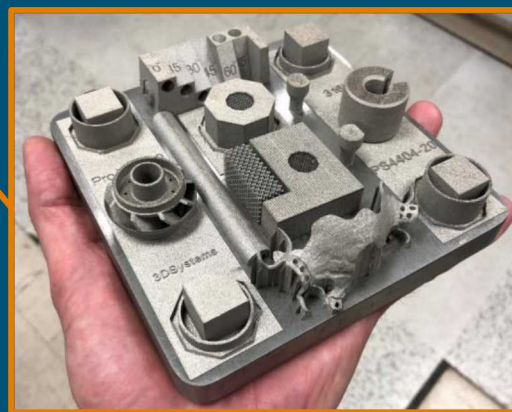
Machine Metrology is Critical to Assure Part Quality



beam diameter variations w/original f-theta lens

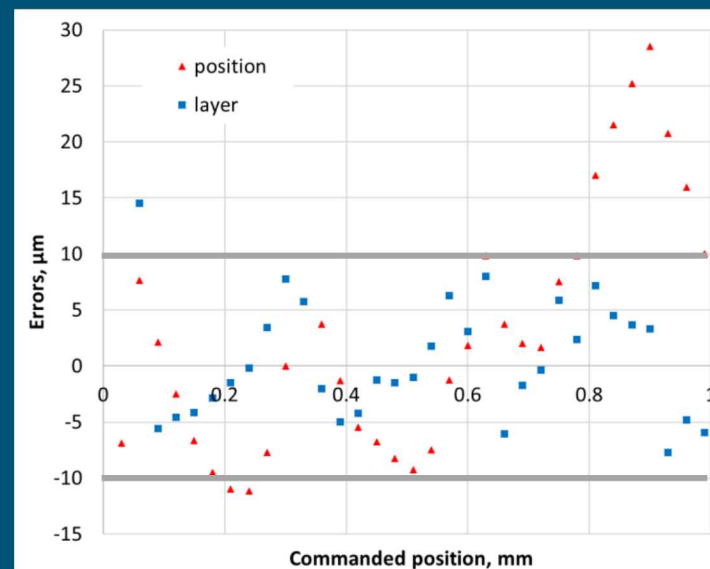


nominal focus offset

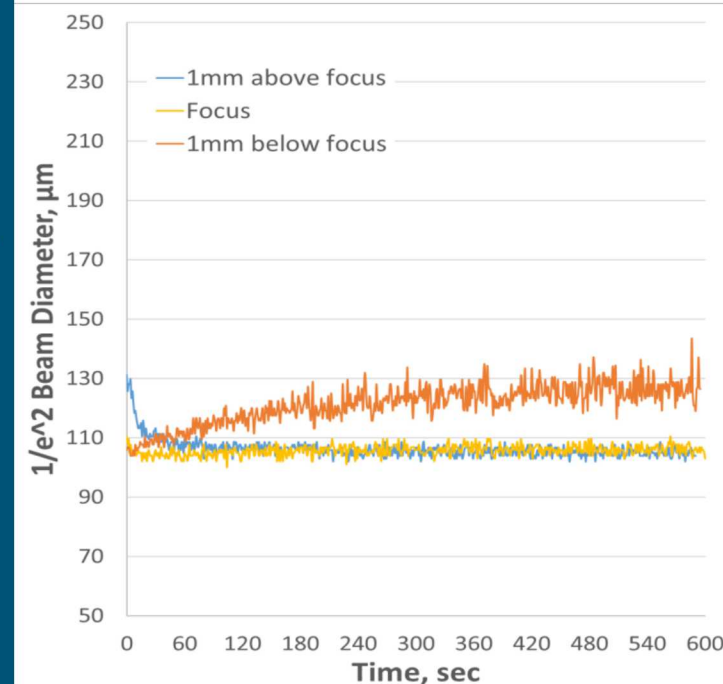


5mm focus offset

layer thickness errors



upgraded f-theta lens response



Parameters

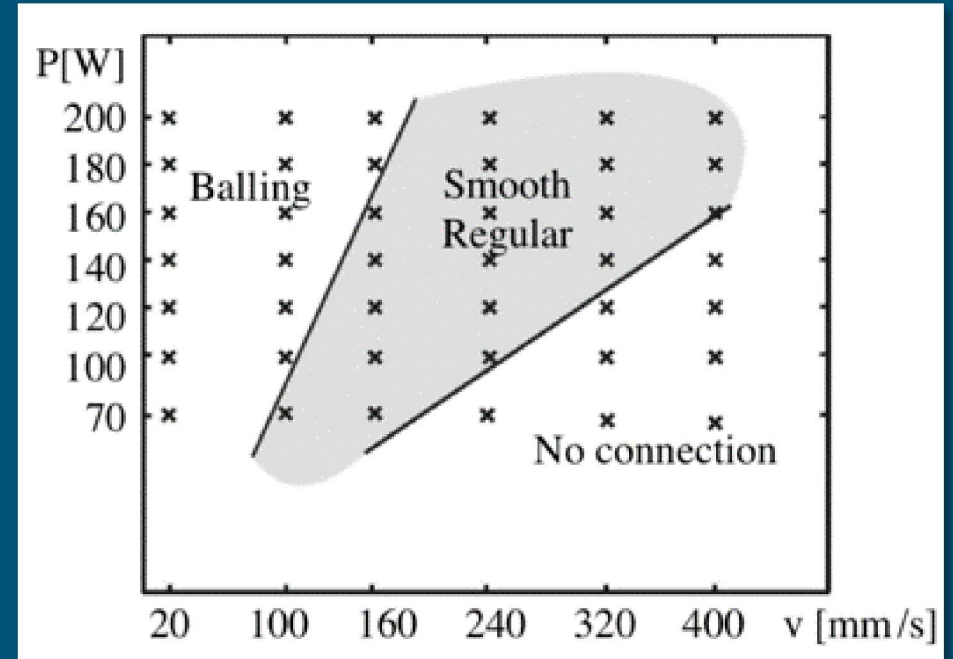
- 316L stainless steel
- laser power: 10-240W
- velocity: 50-2800mm/sec
- layer thickness: 30, 40 μ m
- average powder diameter: 15, 25 μ m
- laser focus offset: -1.5mm below focus to +3.5mm above

Experiment forms

- line scans, area pads, density cubes, HTT tensile, Charpy

Performance metrics

- surface finish, form error, density, tensile properties, Charpy toughness, microstructure
- where are optimal process settings?



Kruth, Rapid Prototyping Journal, 2008

The Influence of Process Variables on Physical and Mechanical Properties in Laser Powder Bed Manufacturing

- Josh Koepke, MS Thesis, UNM Dept of ME, 2019

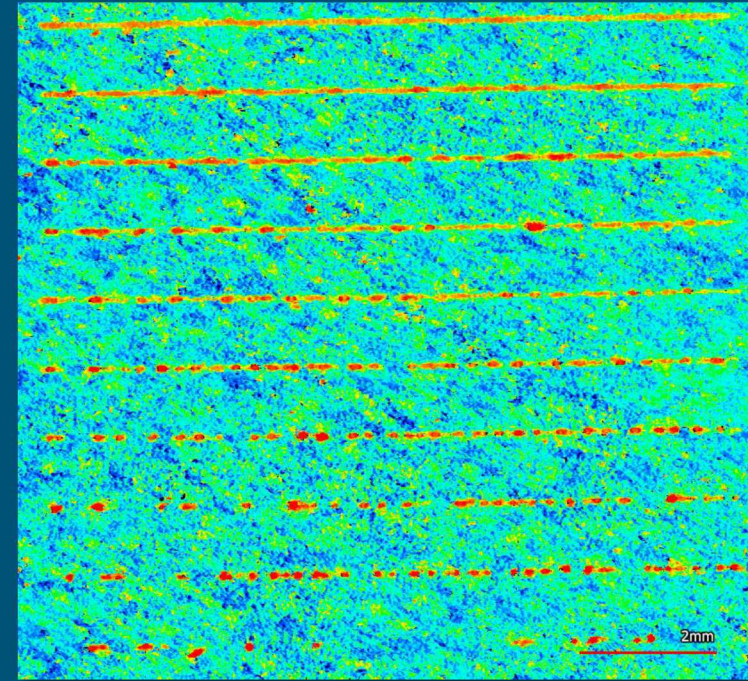
Line Scans

Substrates: bare plate, powder layer on 20 layer AM pad

- 60 lines on each substrate, 1.0 cm long
- power: 25-175W
- velocity: 250-2500mm/sec

Simplistic first step, but quick & informative

- capturing melt pool geometry via metallography
- useful to define nominal process boundaries for any material
- used to establish relevance of simple Rosenthal model

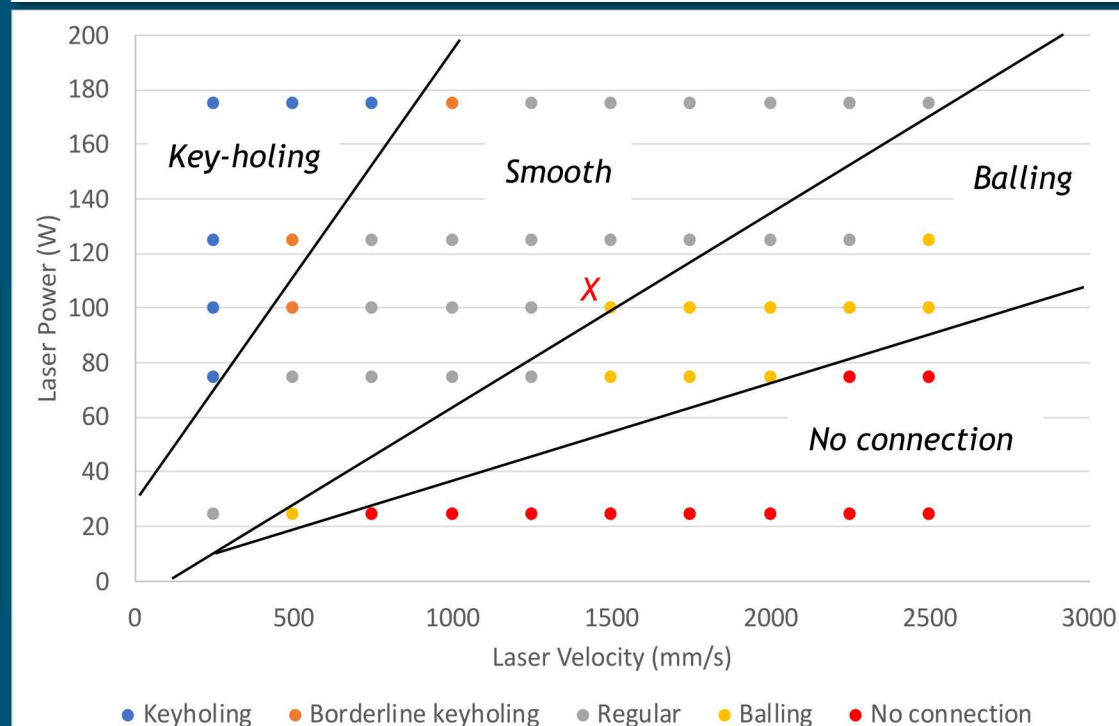
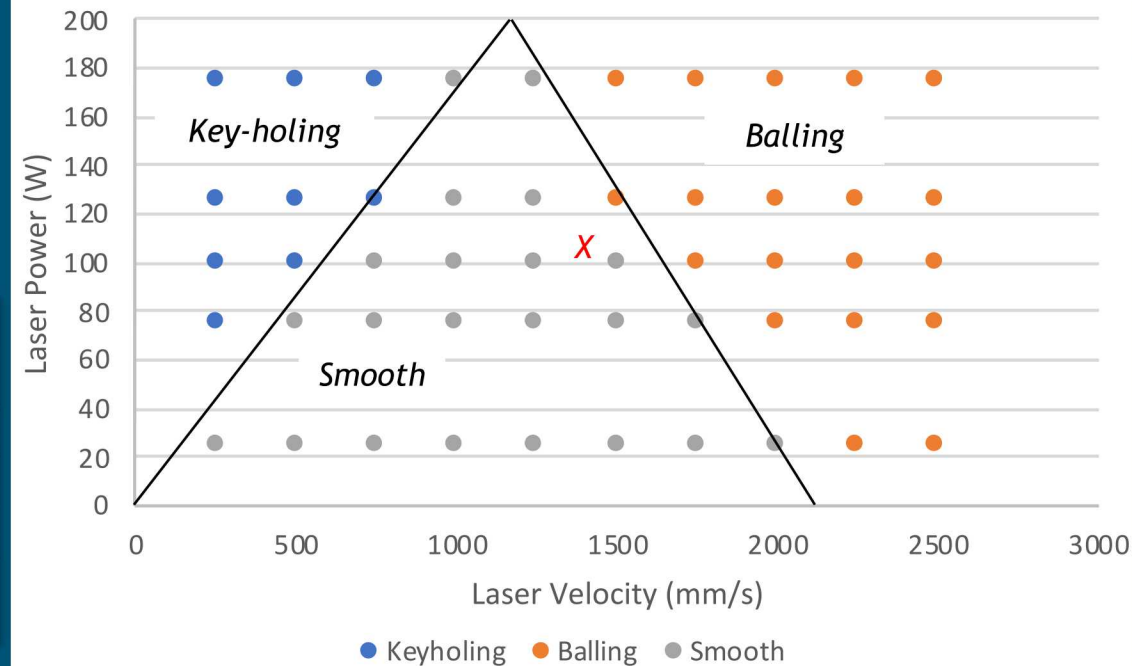
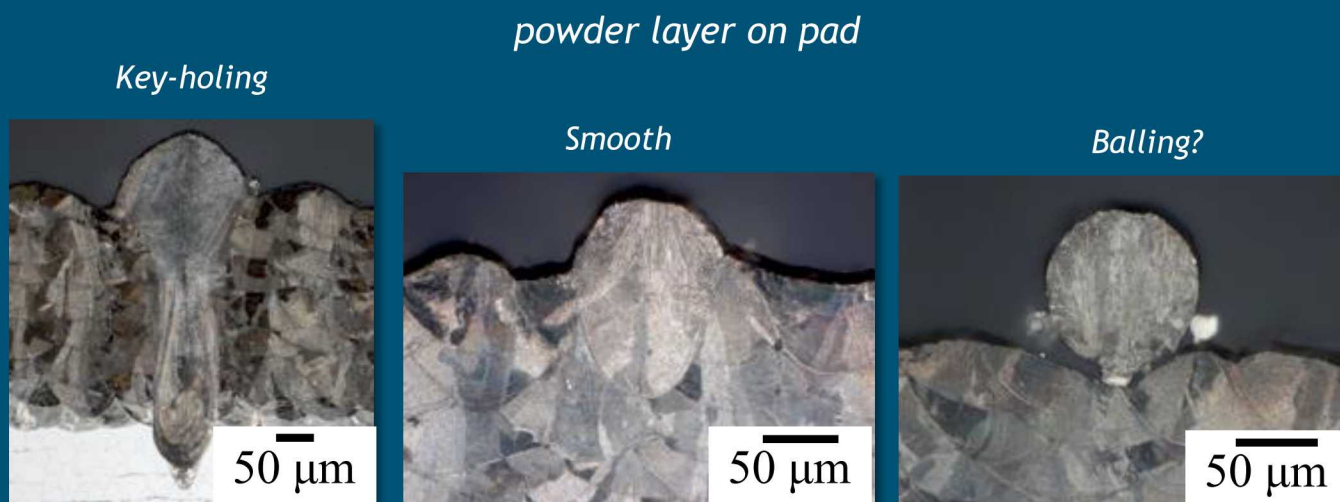
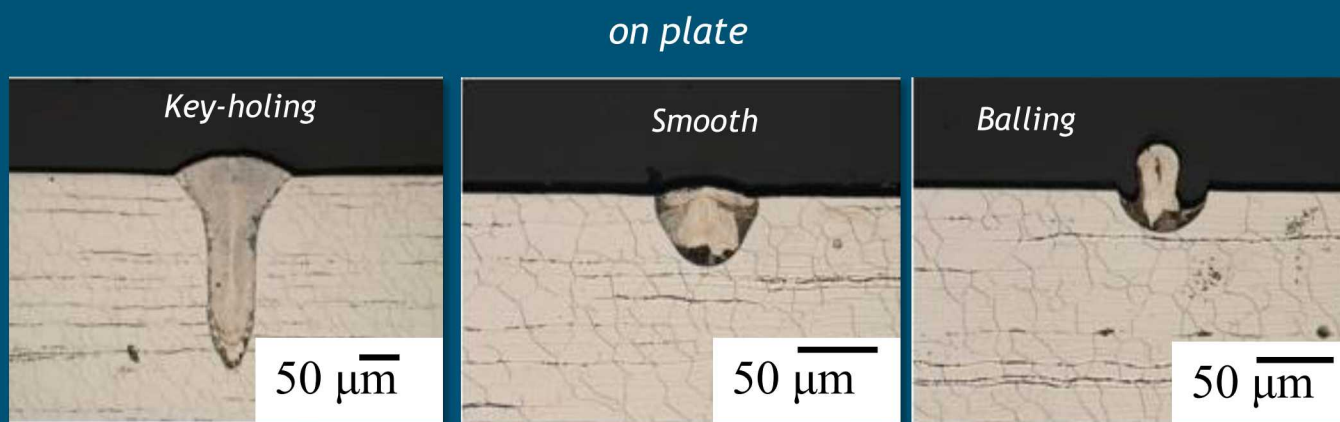


100 W, 250 to 2500 mm/s on pad



melt pool on plate, 100W, 1500 mm/s

Line Scans: Plate vs. Powder Layer on Pad



Density Cubes

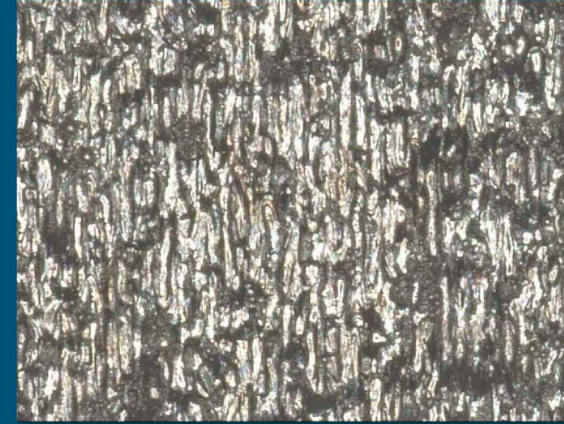
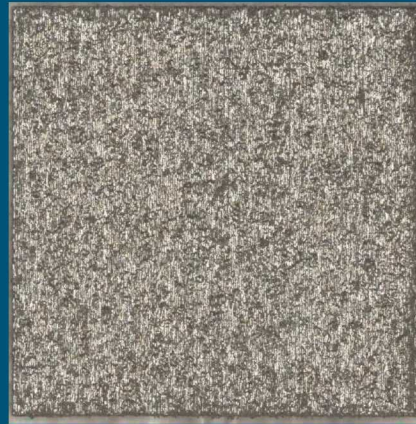
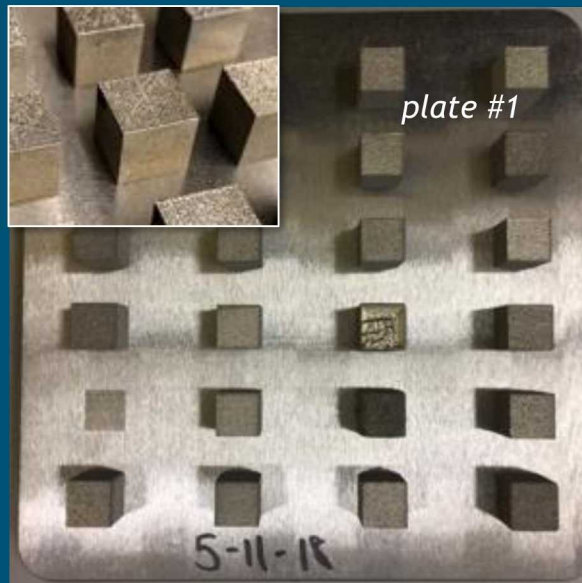


1cm cubes, 24 per plate

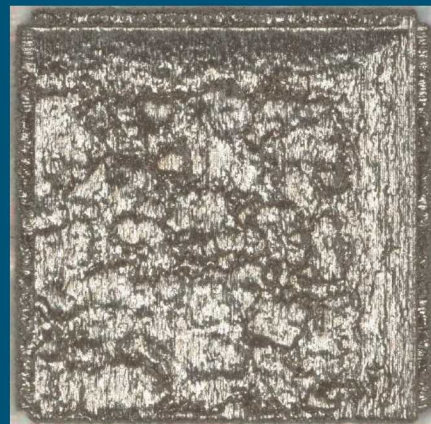
- 10 plates, power, velocity, focus offset, layer thickness, powder size, variation across plate

Bulk material measurements

- density (Archimedes)
- top & side surface form & finish
- microstructure: optical, EBSD

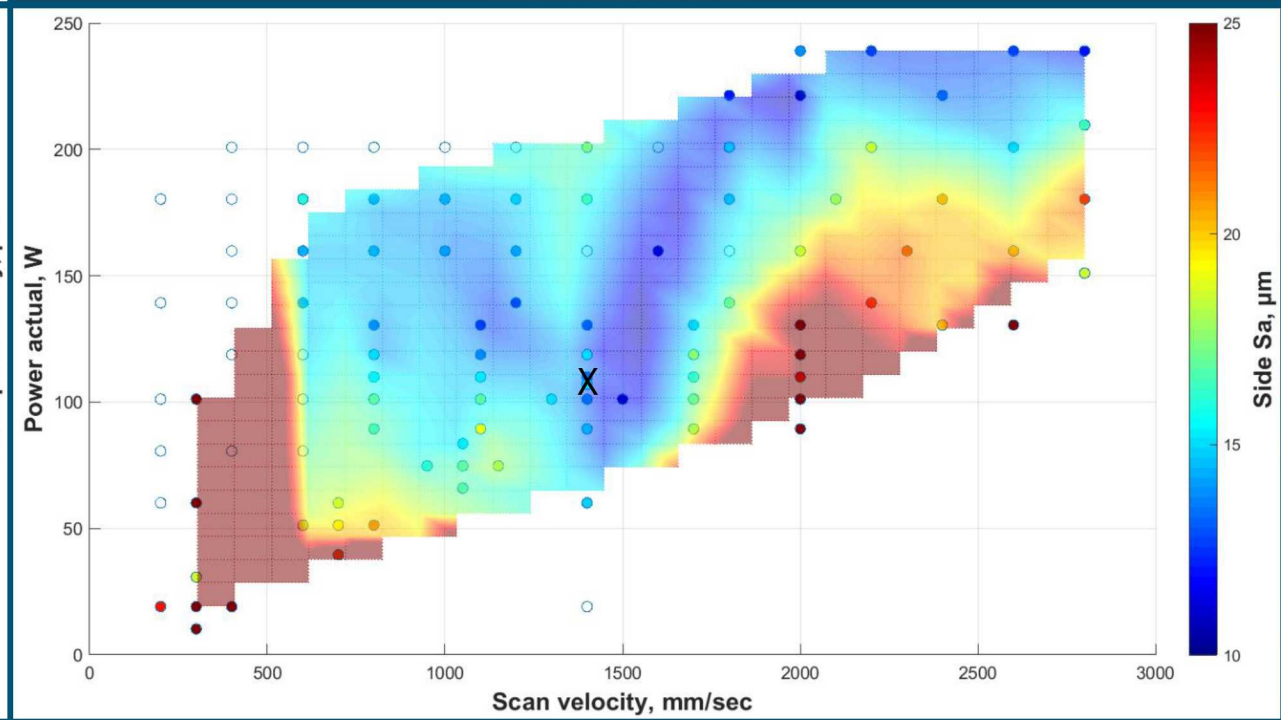
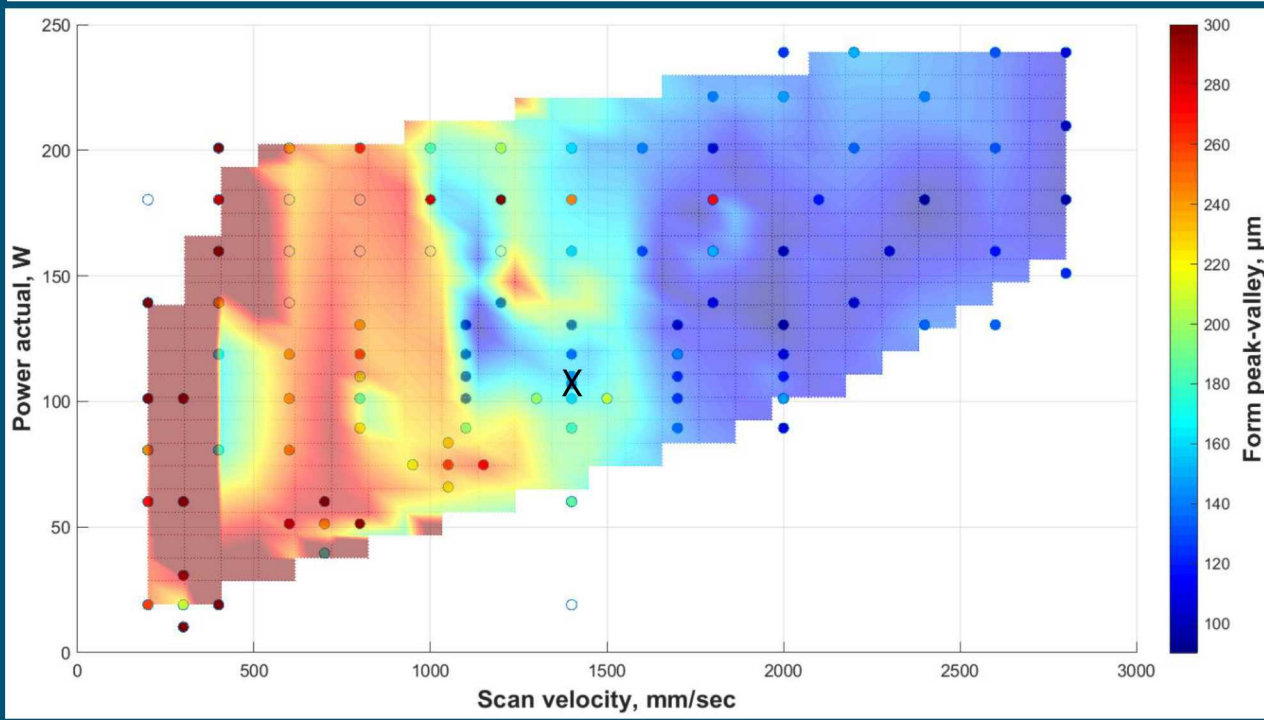
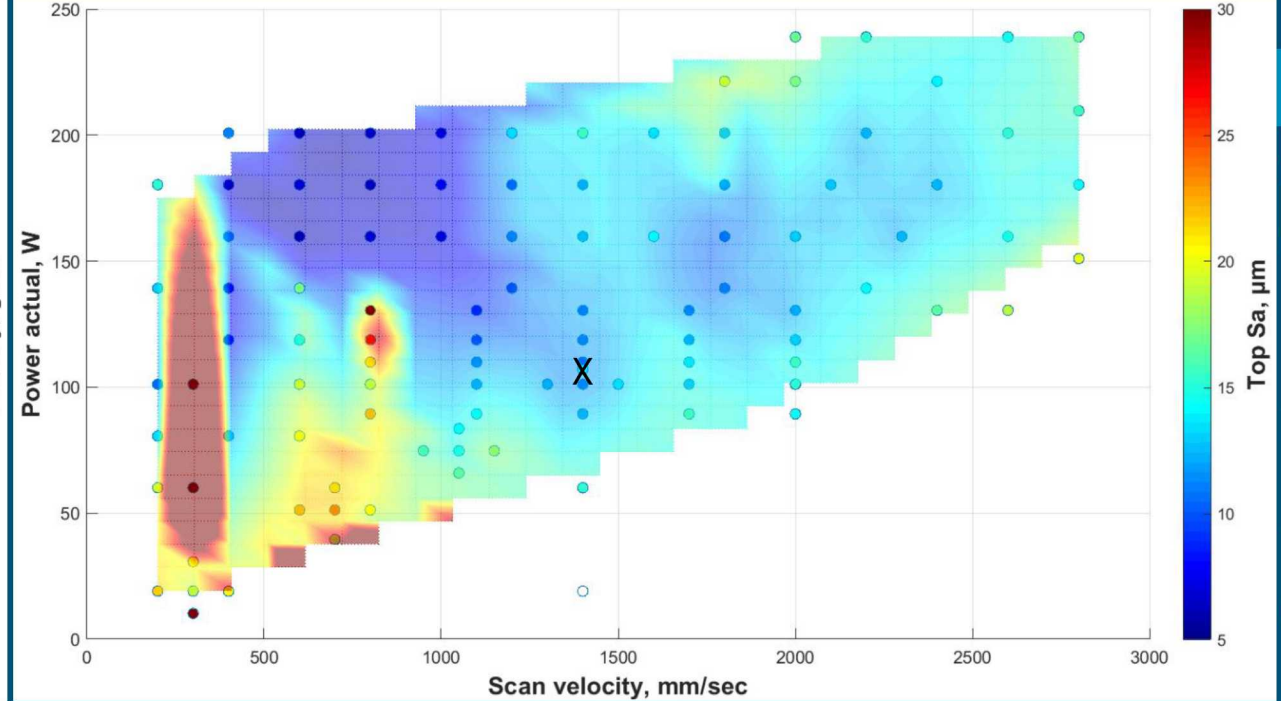
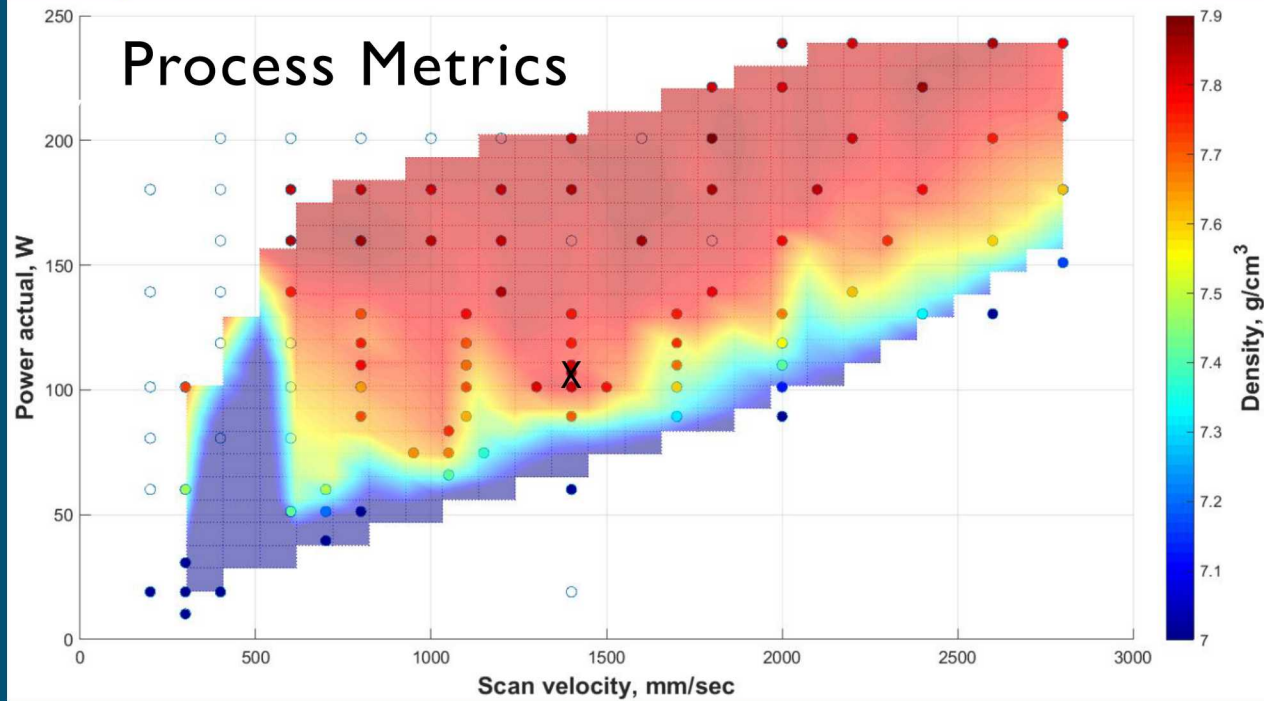


100.2W, 1500mm/sec 209 μ m PV form (left), top 13.5 μ m Sa roughness (center), side 9.98 μ m Sa roughness (right)

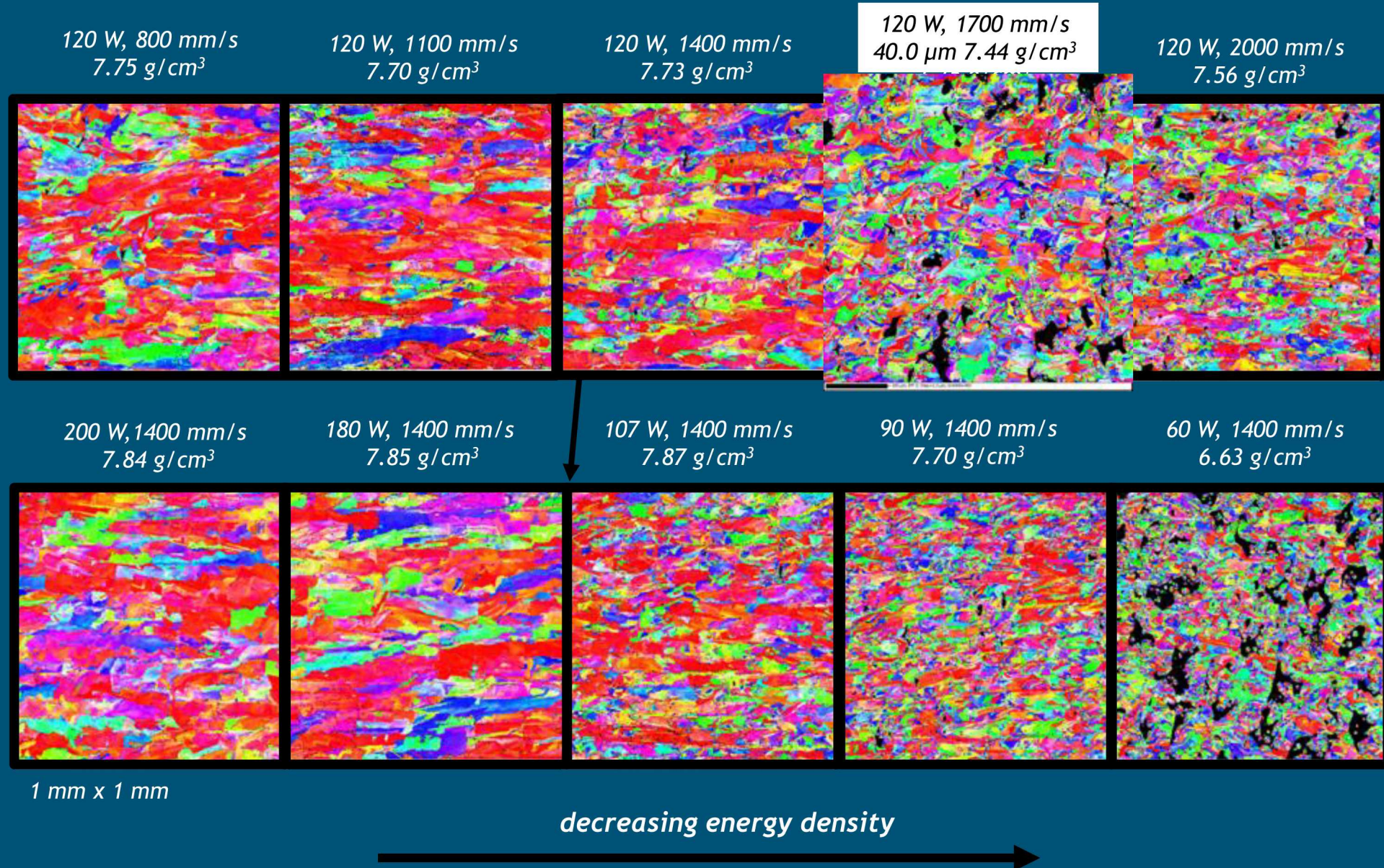


60.1W, 300mm/sec 891 μ m PV form (left), top 73.8 μ m Sa roughness (center), side 38.1 μ m Sa roughness (right)

Process Metrics



Material Microstructures, 30 μ m Layer Thickness



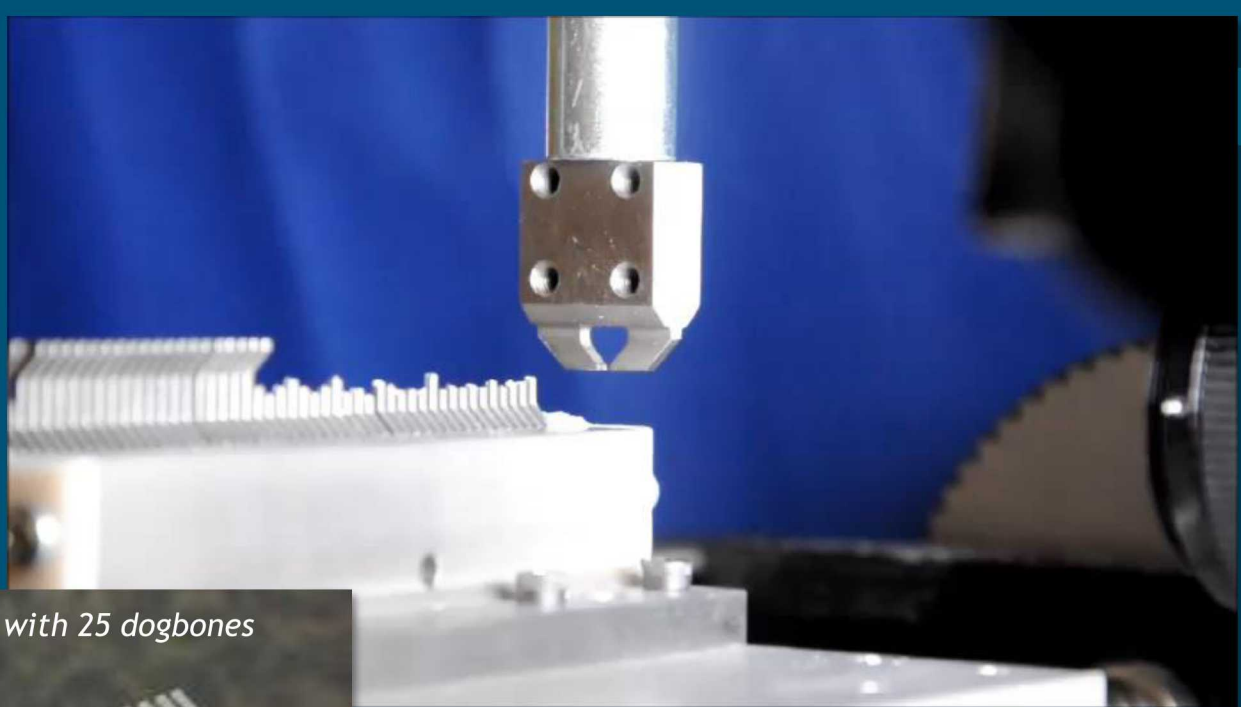
High-Throughput Tensile Properties

1x1x4mm gauge section, 10 or 25 dogbones/array

- five build plates
- varied power, velocity, powder diameter
- Gen2 HTT system

>500 dogbones tested

- density (Archimedes)
- surface roughness
- mechanical properties
 - UTS, YS, modulus, ductility

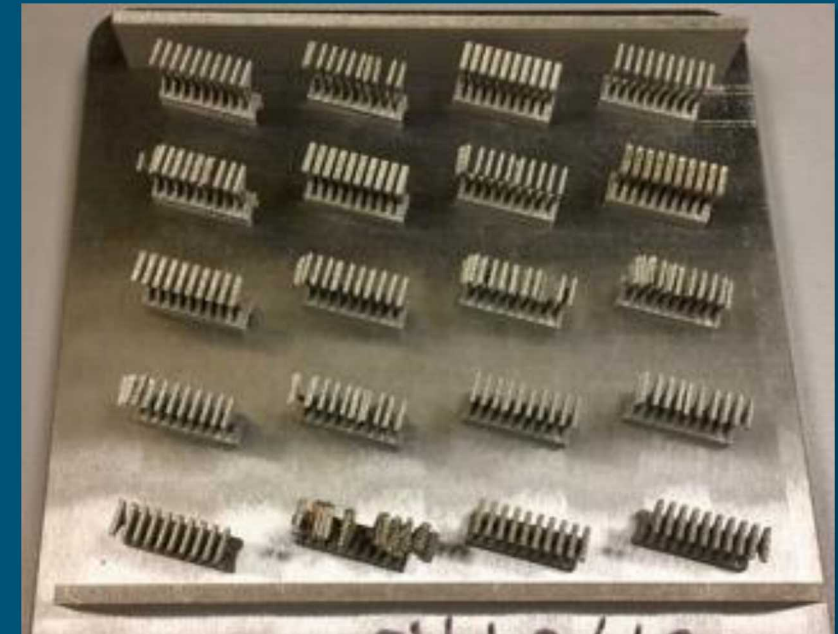


316L SS dogbone array with 25 dogbones

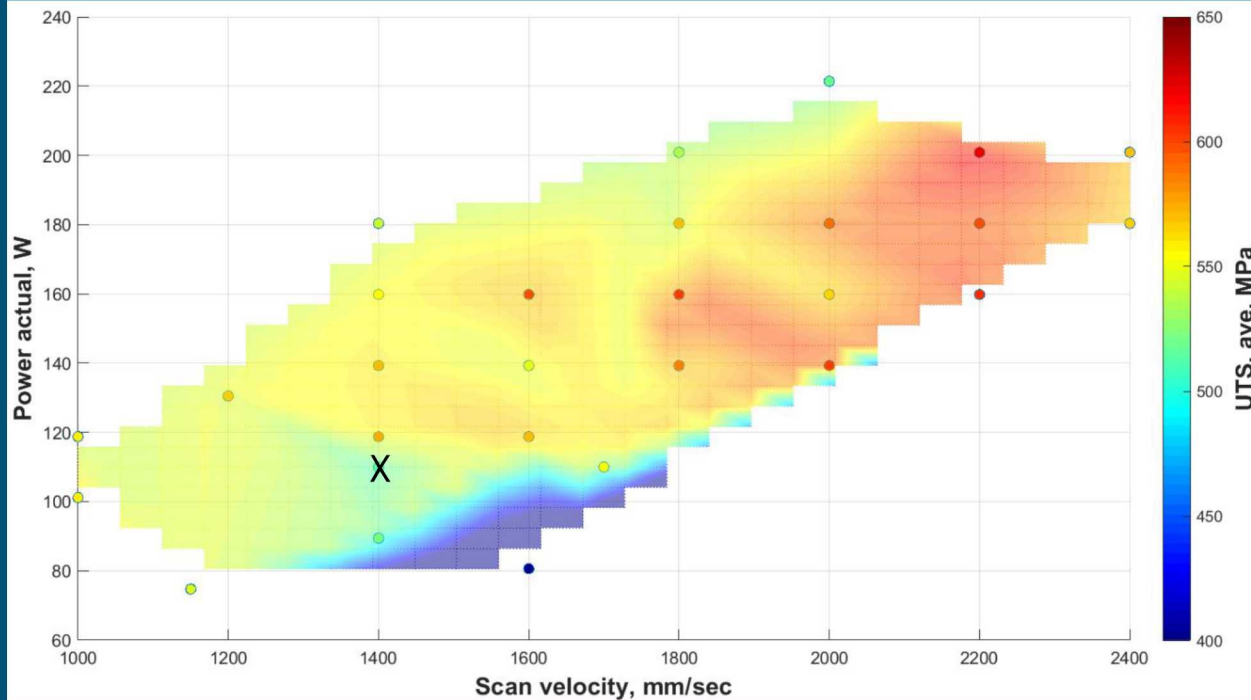
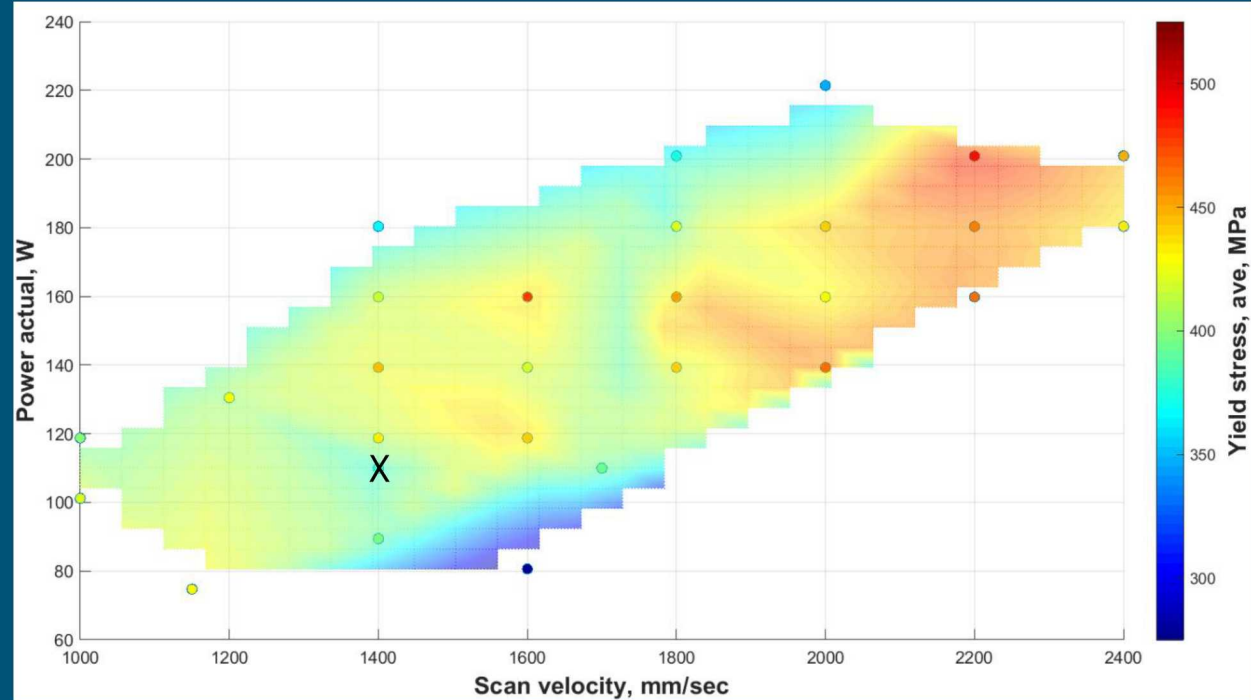
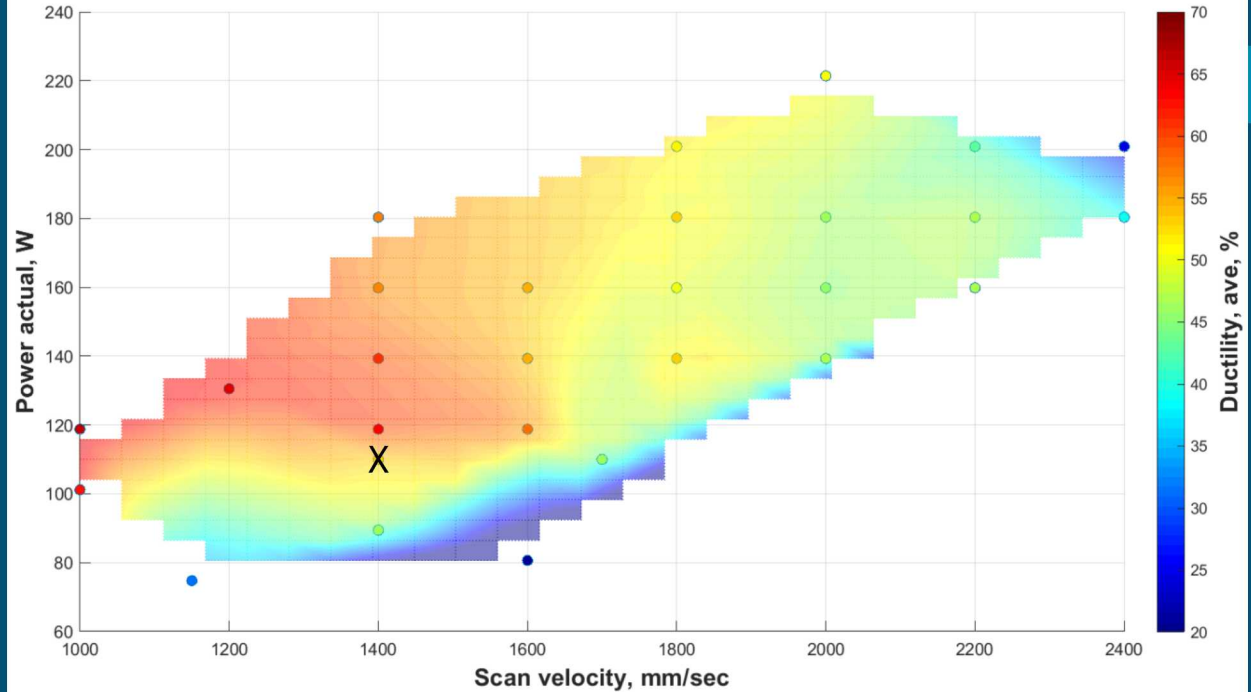
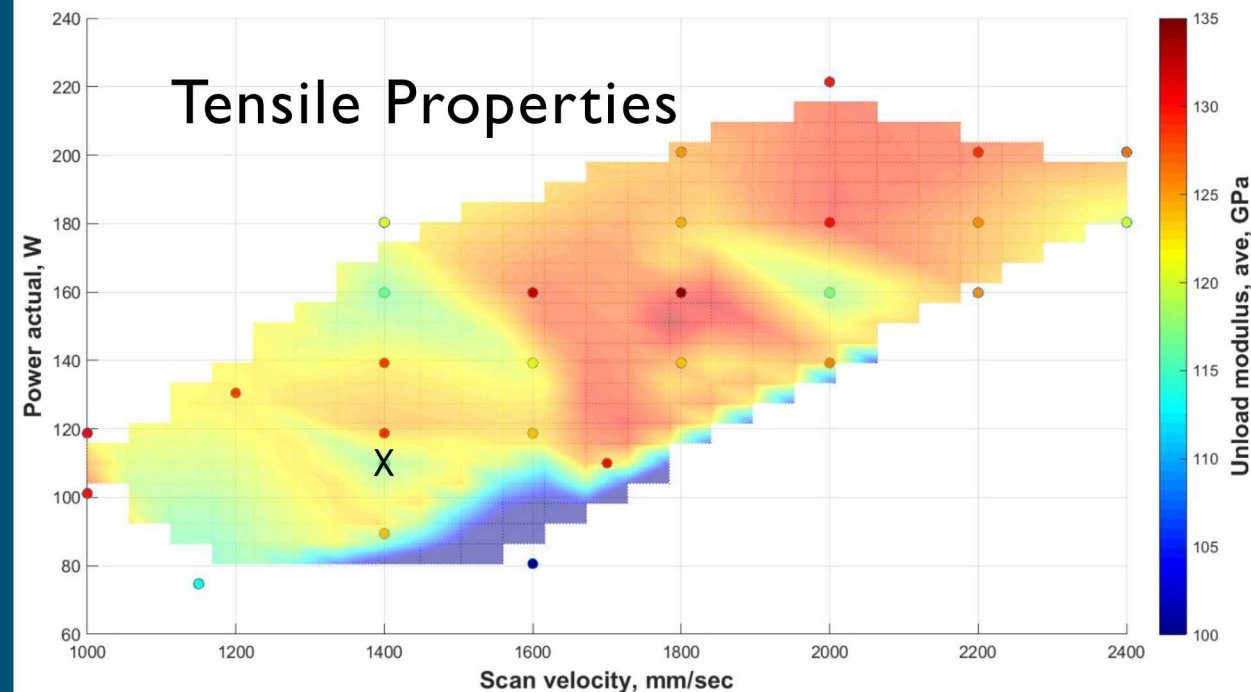


Heckman, Mat. Sci. Eng. A, 2020

*build plate w/20 arrays,
10 dogbones/array*



Tensile Properties



Controlling & logging part, build & powder cycles

- 316L stainless steel
- feedstock pedigree, build environment, process inputs, post-processing, meta data
- print / test artifacts

Heuristic dependent

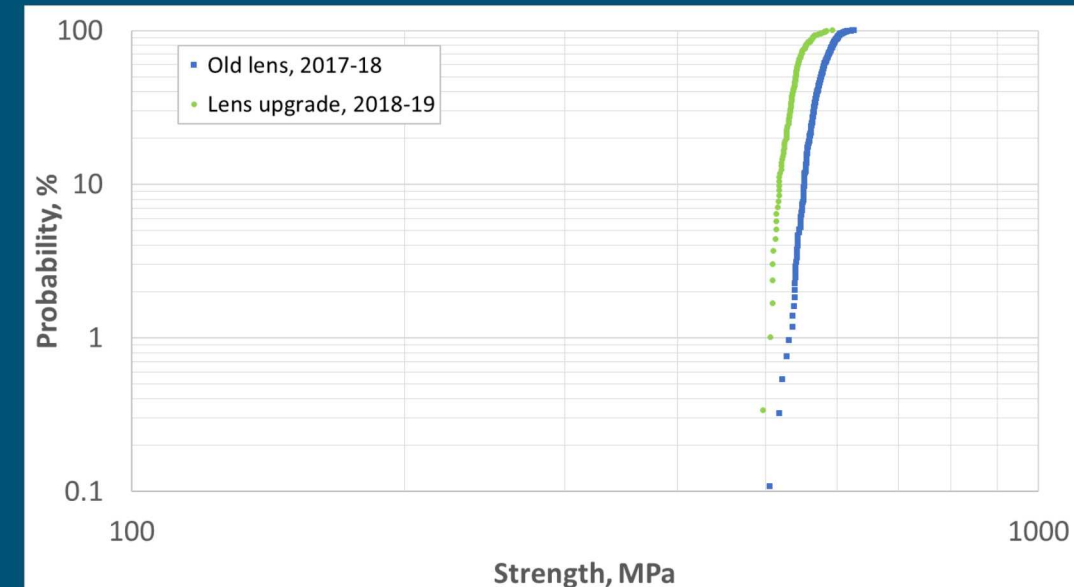
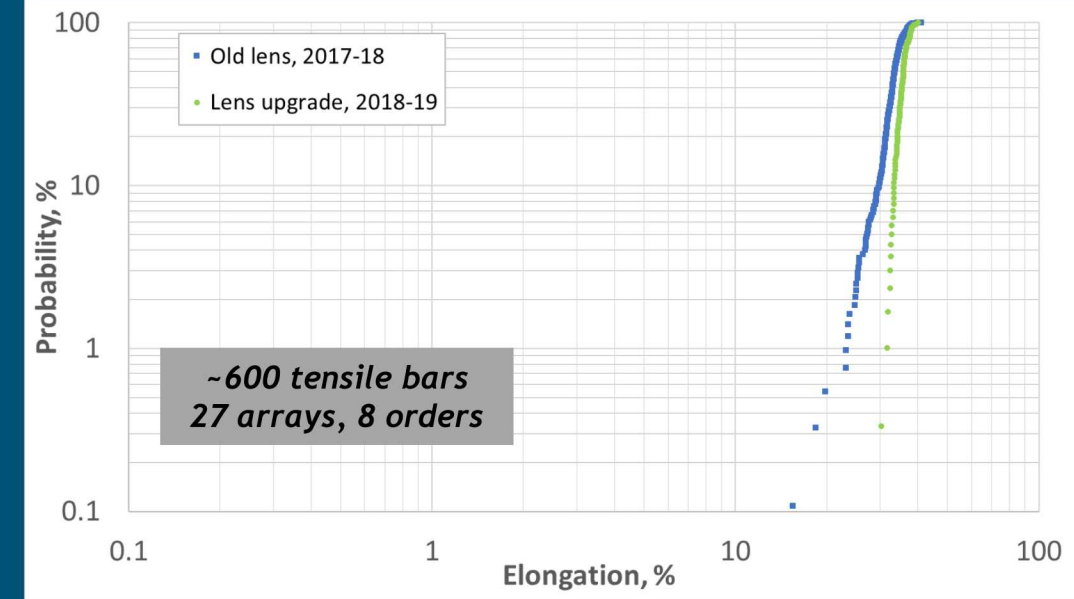
- restrictive
- time consuming
- expensive

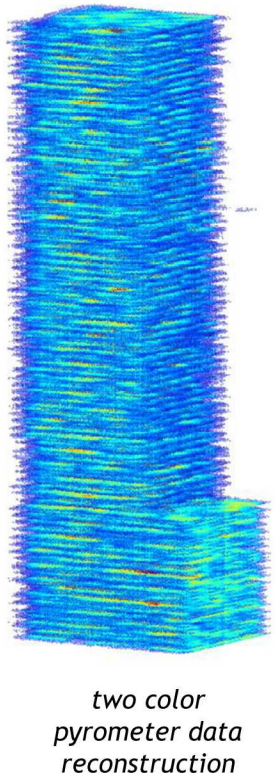
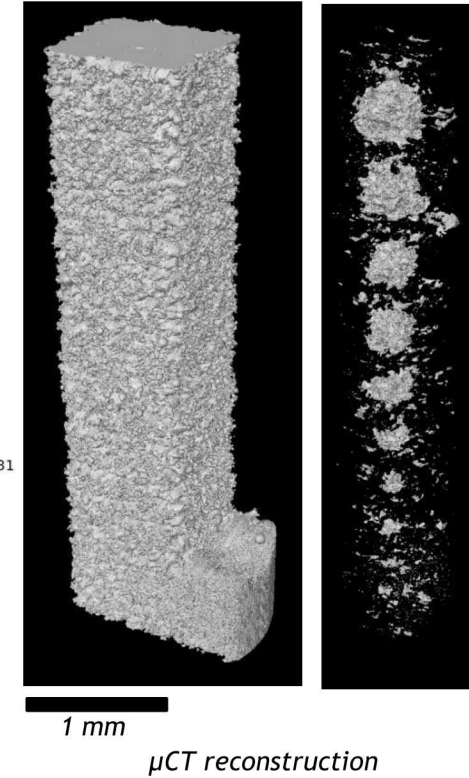
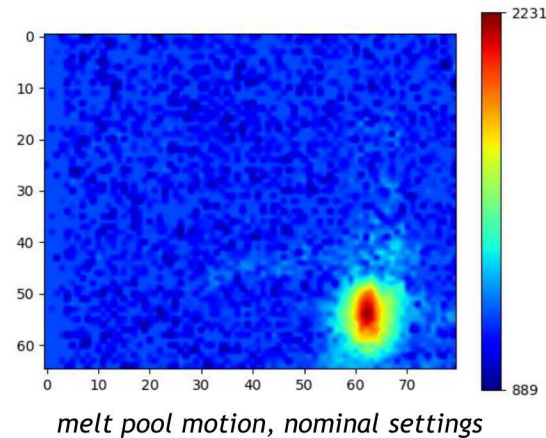
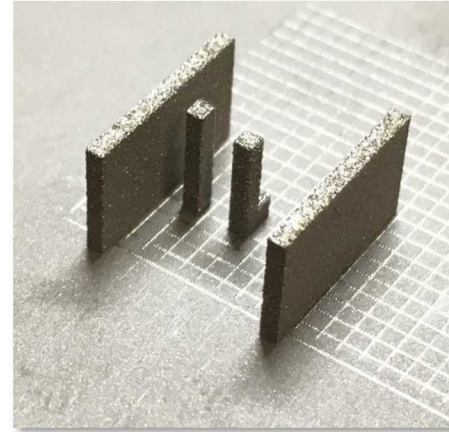
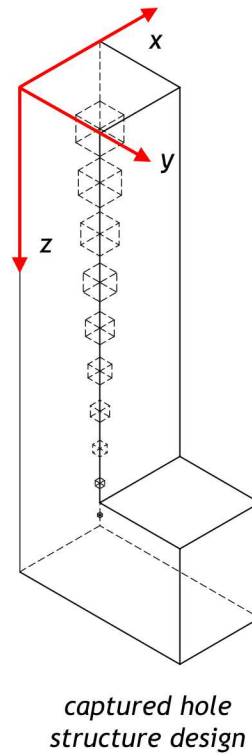
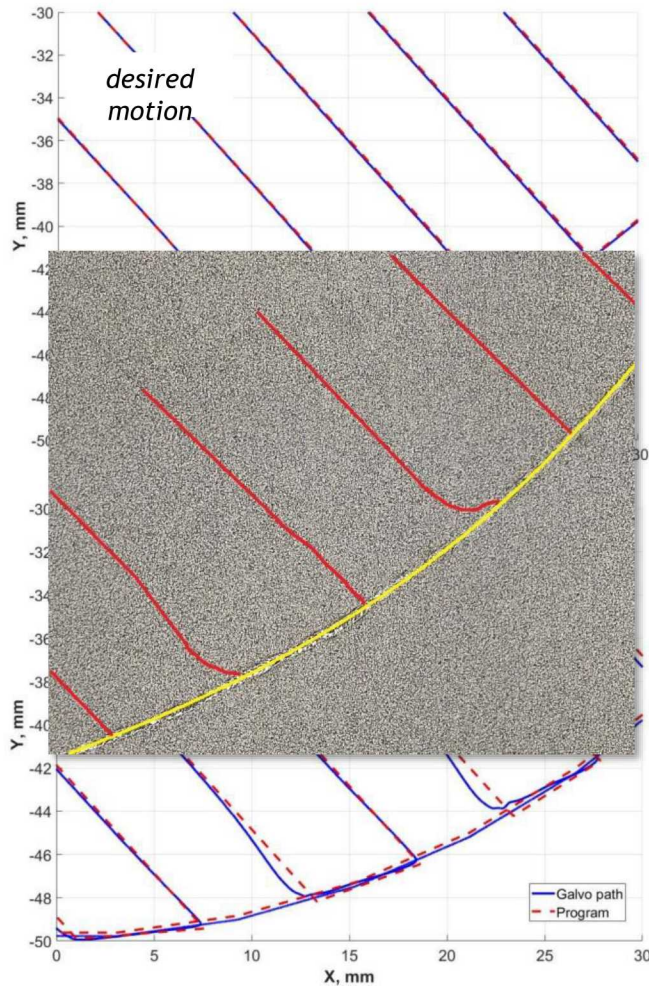
Desire accelerated cycles

- tolerances & uncertainties



build plate w/process artifacts





Archive, Research, Control, Synchronization (ARCS)

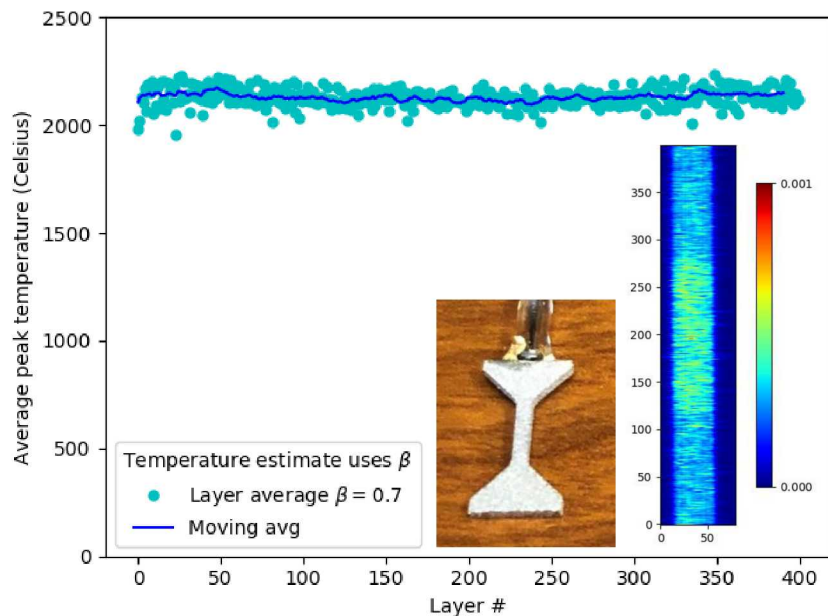
- Penn State, 3D Systems collaboration

motion @ 100kHz

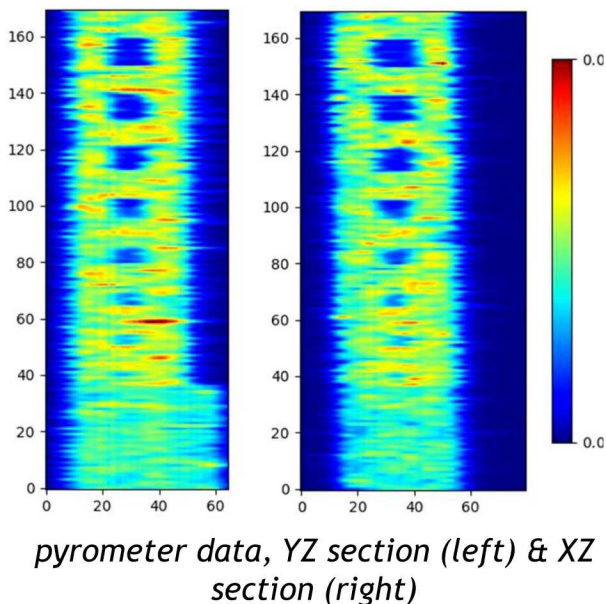
Exploring multiple sensor signatures

- thermal, optical, acoustic
- two-color pyrometry explored here
- data management & analysis is critical

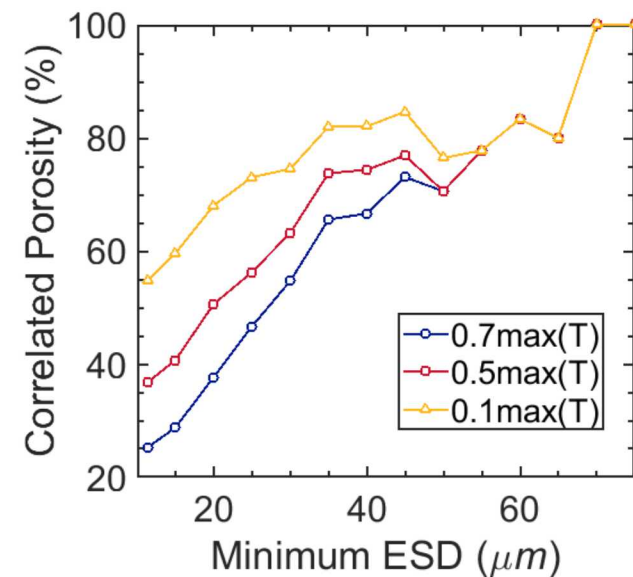
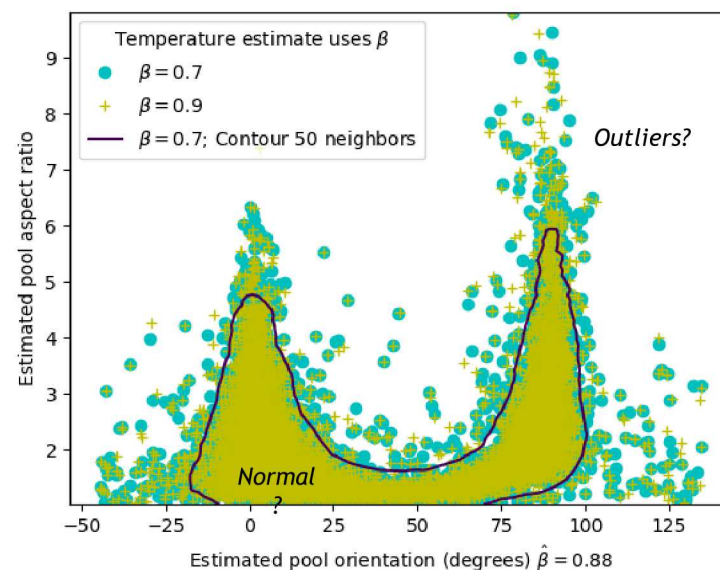
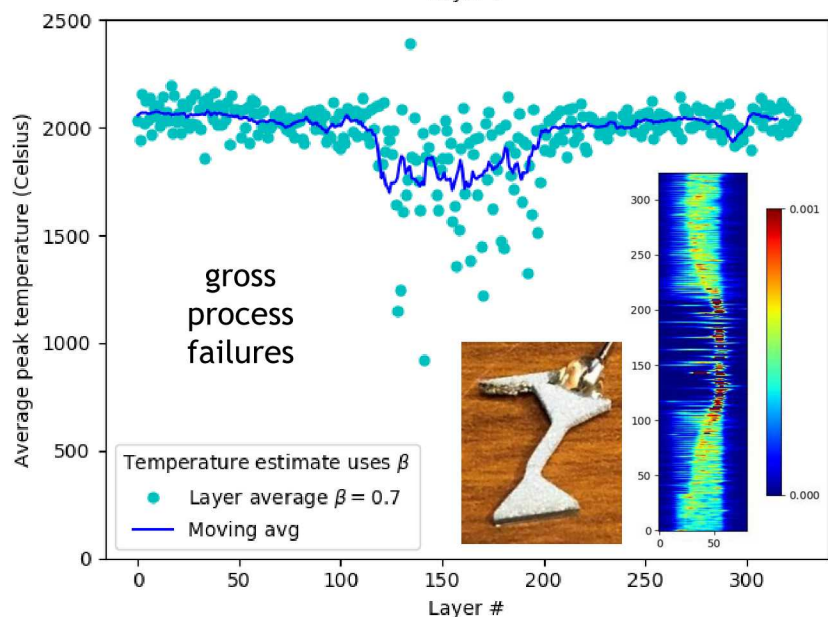
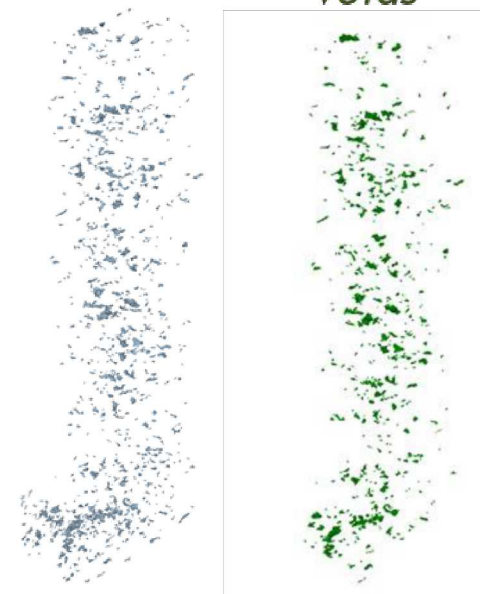
Correlating Process Signatures w/Material Structures

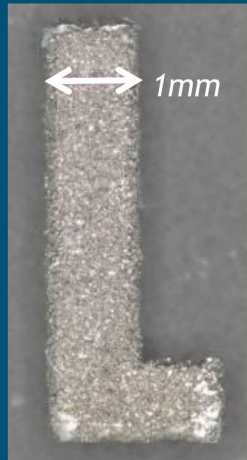


melt pool outliers
via *machine
learning* correlate
local void porosity

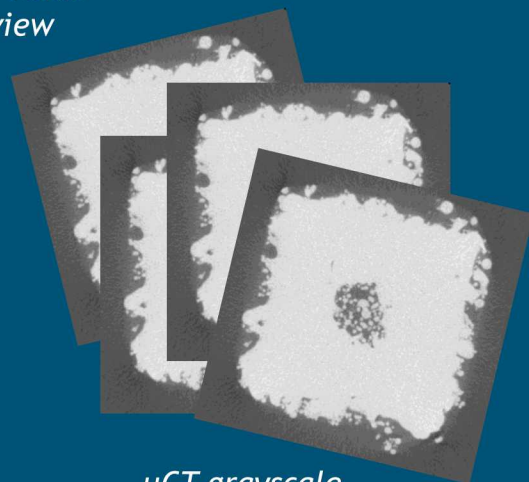


All voids Correlated voids





part side view



μCT grayscale image stack



micro-computed tomography

Adobe Photoshop



batch processing
16bit > 8bit conversion
lossless filetype conversion



alignment & registration
cropping
grayscale matching
autoleveling
image filtering
thresholding



Interactive Data Language

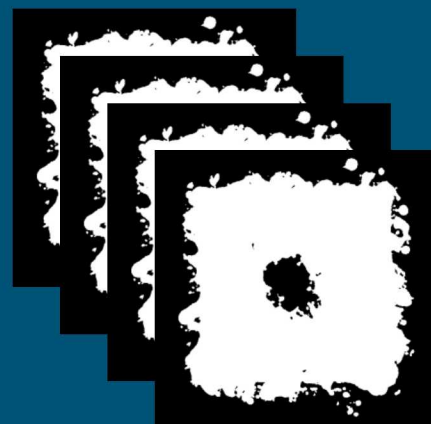


reconstruction
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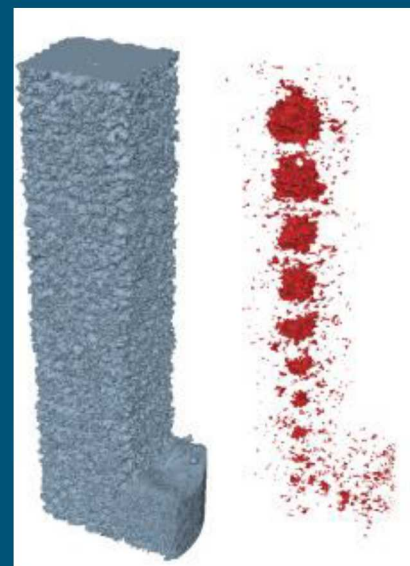


ParaView
Parallel Visualization Application

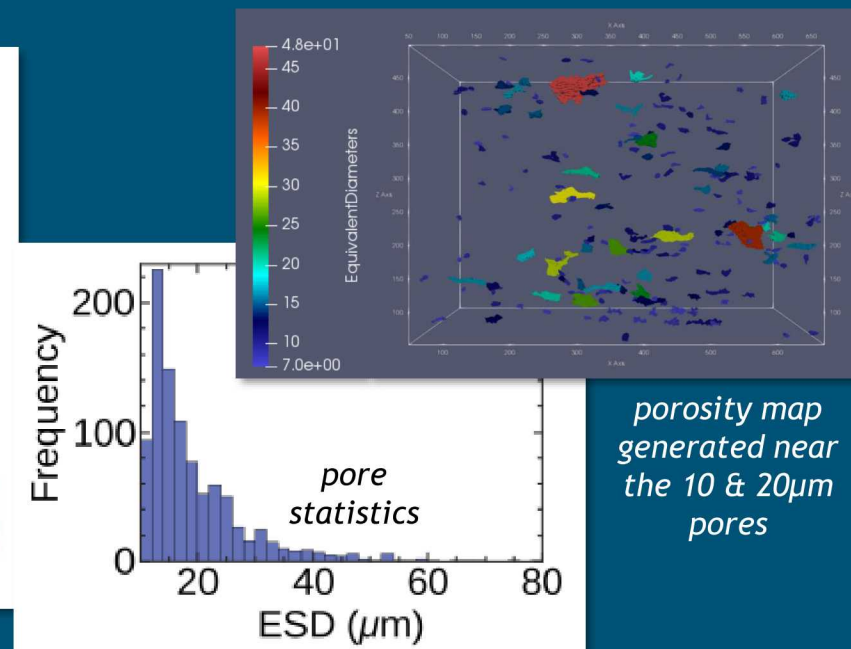
image processing
visualization



aligned & segmented bitmap stack
white = material, black = air/void



part reconstruction





Sharepoint site

- 5Gb storage
- project log – customer, project / program, part CAD files / drawings, requirements, schedule
- part & process log file – build identifier, powder, reuse cycle, process settings, process file name, notes
- as-printed build pictures

Machine computers (lab)

- machine & process build files
- process data – ARCS, in-situ sensor data (thermal, optical, acoustic)
- feedstock data – Aspex SEM image analysis, EDS composition

\\CEE\Projects\AM Defects\BuildData share folder

- >100Gb storage
- feedstock – powder data, rheology, specification, etc.
- part – CAD file, drawing, specs, build pictures
- process – build file, in-situ process data
- property – tensile, density, Charpy, hardness, corrosion, etc.
- characterization – metallography (optical, SEM, TEM, EBSD), metrology (surface finish, geometry), computed tomography, functional testing

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- feedstock, machine, process, material data

The image displays three overlapping screenshots of data management software interfaces:

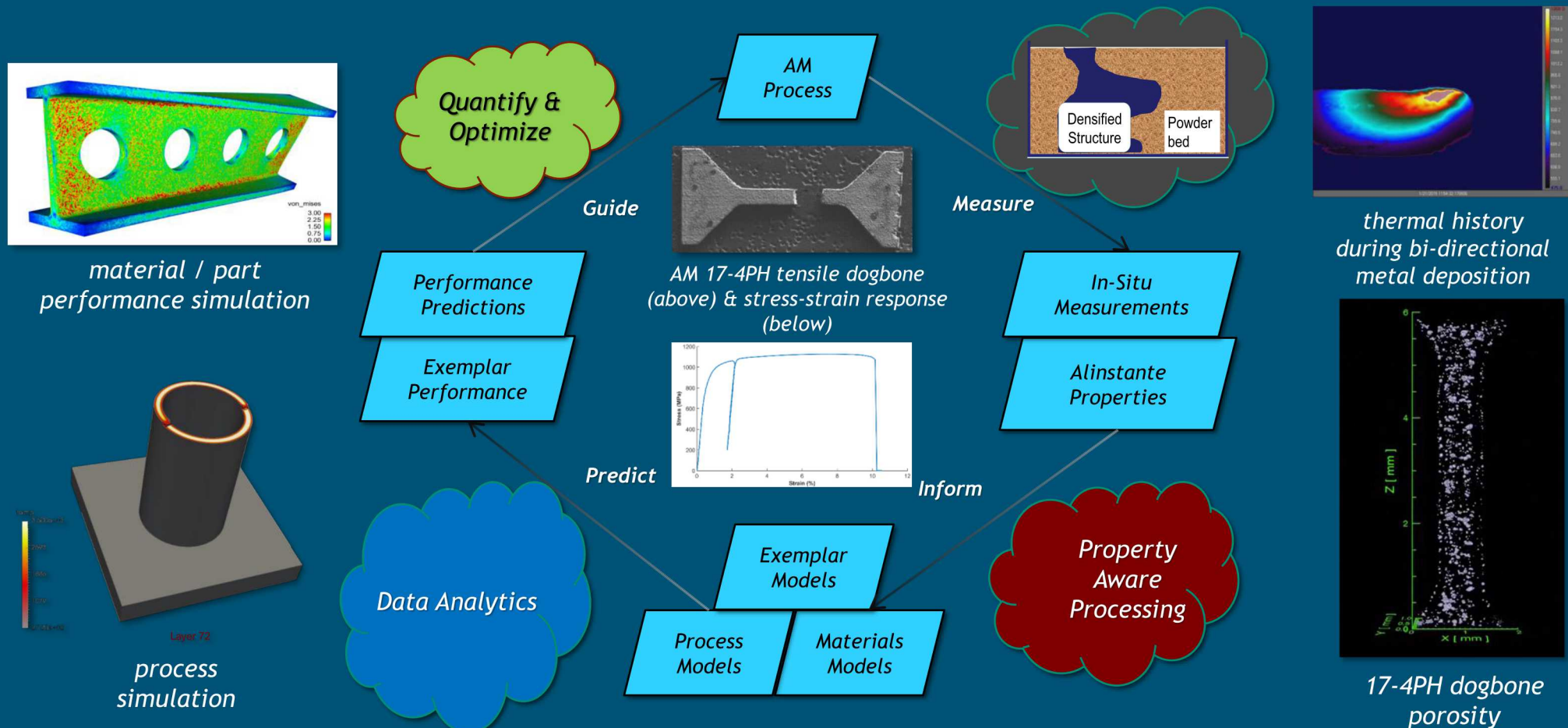
- SharePoint (top left):** Shows a document library titled "1832 AM tasks" with a list of documents and folders. A label "project log" is overlaid on this screenshot.
- ProX 200 (middle):** Shows a "Documents - ProX 200" window with a list of documents and folders. A label "part & process log" is overlaid on this screenshot.
- GRANTA (bottom right):** Shows a "Viewer" window displaying a detailed report for "ProX 200 INLM". The report includes sections for "General Information", "Part Specifications", "Material", "Machine Properties", and "Build Environment". A label "raw process & part data" is overlaid on this screenshot.

Qualification Tomorrow: Born Qualified

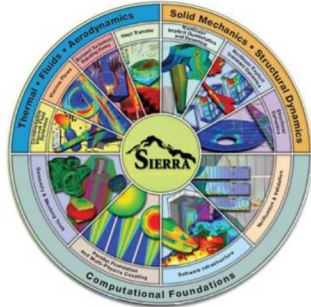


“Changing the Engineering Design & Qualification Paradigm”

- leverage AM, in-process metrology & HPC to revolutionize product realization
- accelerating design to production



Models Bridging Length Scales



LAMMPS

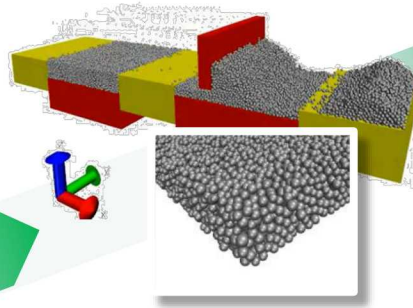
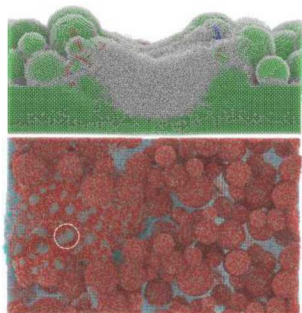
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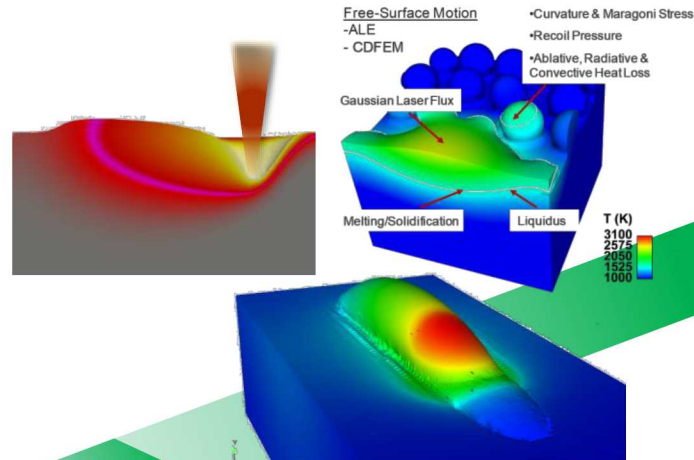
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Powder Spreading
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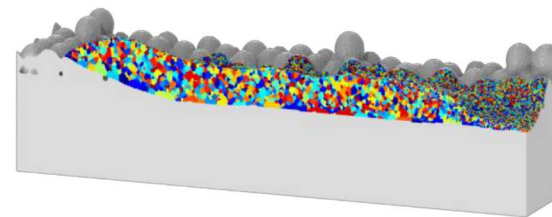
Powder Behavior
M. Wilson



Solidification Scale Thermal
M. Martinez, B. Trembacki, D. Moser

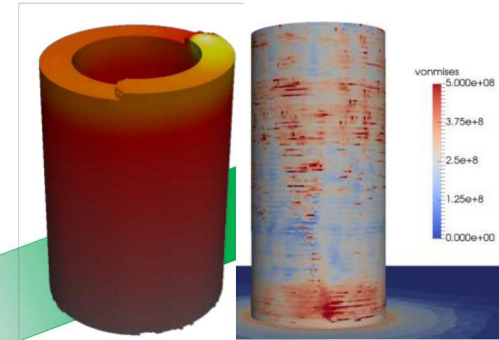


Mesoscale Texture/Solid Mechanics
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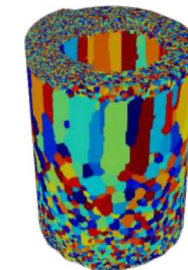


Build Scale Thermal + Mechanics

K. Johnson, K. Ford, L. Beghini, M. Stender & J. Bishop



Build Scale Microstructure
T. Rodgers, J. Madison



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Length Scale (m)



Questions?

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“Complexity is free” has been an oft-cited refrain during the recent renaissance of manufacturing, typically referencing additive manufacturing (AM). To be sure, however, advanced manufacturing techniques make complexity available as new materials, processes and part topologies are realized enabling performance gains inaccessible through traditional means. Such gains will be discussed in the context of laser-powder bed fusion (L-PBF). The development of physics-based engineered controls and automation methodologies are preferred to satisfy requirements by optimizing process performance, by minimizing output uncertainties, and by increasing product throughput.

Research on L-PBF will be presented to address these process complexities and performance uncertainties. Initial material behavior mimicked an open loop state as properties varied widely and proved difficult to anticipate. Work has since quantified important process-structure-property relationships for powder feedstocks, laser settings and machine components. Machine improvements and metrology procedures have also been developed, producing an increase in process consistency and material confidence. Continued research is examining in-situ melt pool dynamics and exploring advanced data analytic techniques (ex. machine learning) to correlate melt pool outliers to process defects.