

**DOE Program Merit Review Meeting**

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# DOE SRCLID Programs

Lightweight Metals

Steel Materials

Polymeric Materials

**Vision:** Develop **multiscale physics-based material models** for **design optimization** of components and systems made of **lightweight** materials in automotive applications.

**Mission:** (1) Provide a design methodology that includes physics-based material models that include **uncertainty** in consideration of the material history;  
(2) Develop **new materials and math-based tools** for use in next-generation vehicles under various crash and high-speed impact environments.

**Goals:** (1) an experimentally validated **cradle-to-grave** modeling and simulation effort to optimize automotive and truck components for various materials;  
(2) a multiscale (“From Atoms to Autos”) modeling philosophy with characterization of the **microstructure-property relations** by evaluating various length scales;  
(3) an integrated K-PhD **educational program** to educate students on lightweight designs and impact scenarios.

## **Approach/Strategy**

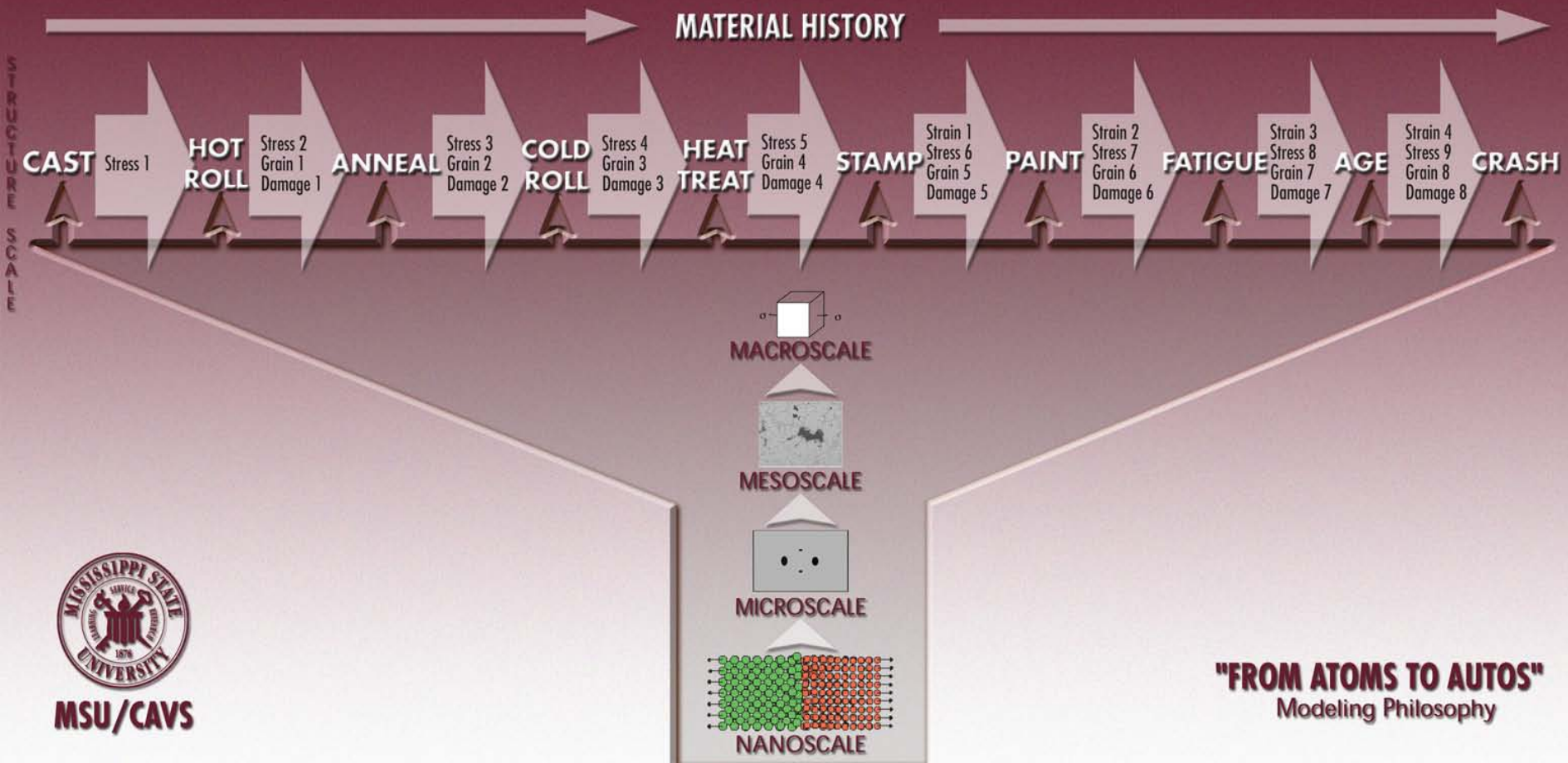
# **Development and Deployment of Multiscale Lightweight Material Program**

1. Quantify history dependent process-structure-property relationship
2. Repository material data base and model in cyberinfrastructure
3. Verification, validation and demonstration
4. Establish close relationship with industrial partners

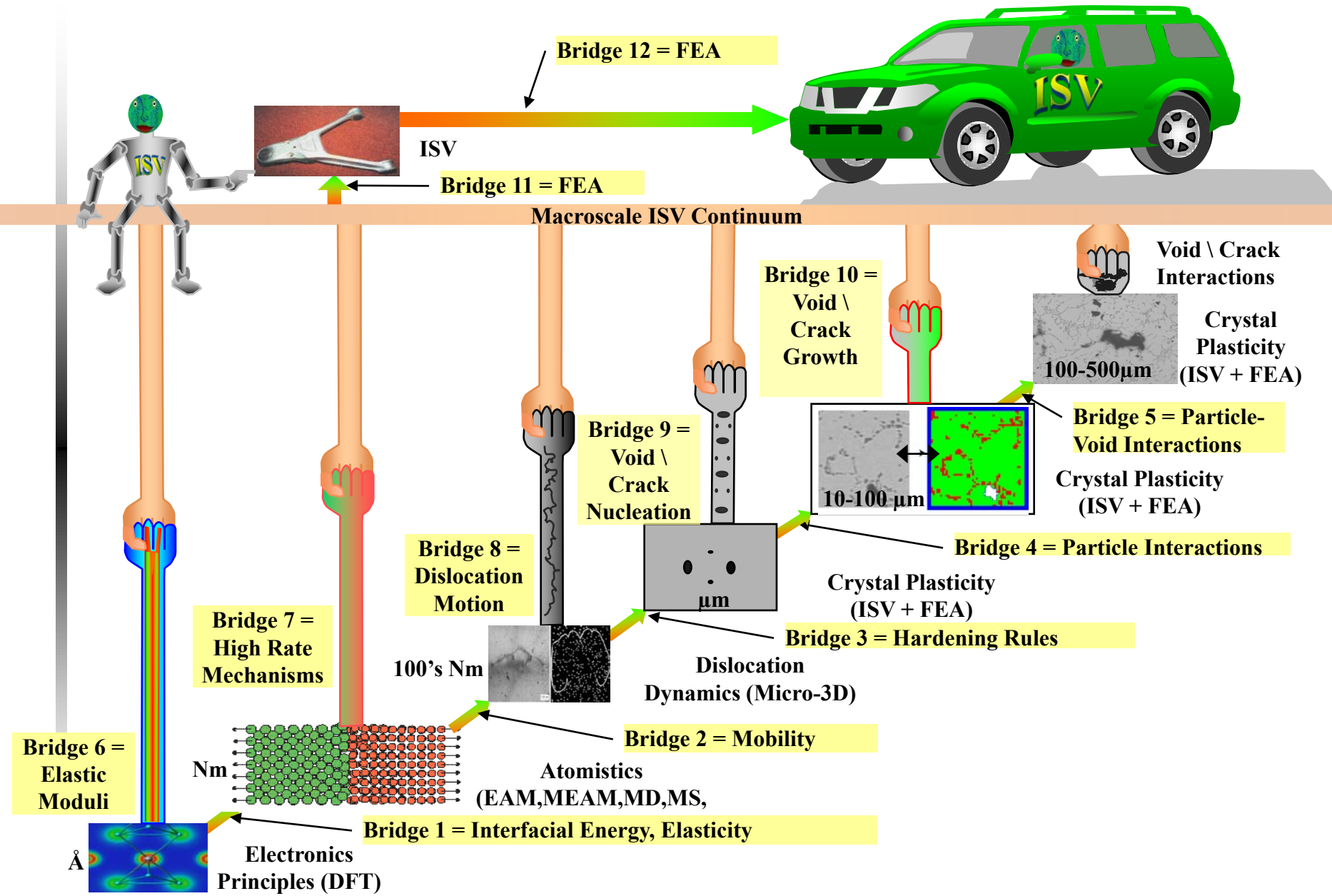
# Computational Manufacturing and Design

**Mission:** To optimize design and manufacturing processes, we integrate multidisciplinary research of solid mechanics, materials, physics, and applied mathematics in three synergistic areas: theoretical modeling, experimentation, and large scale parallel computational simulation.

## CRADLE-TO-GRAVE MODELING: STAMPING EXAMPLE



# Multiscale Modeling





# CyberInfrastructure

## IT Technologies

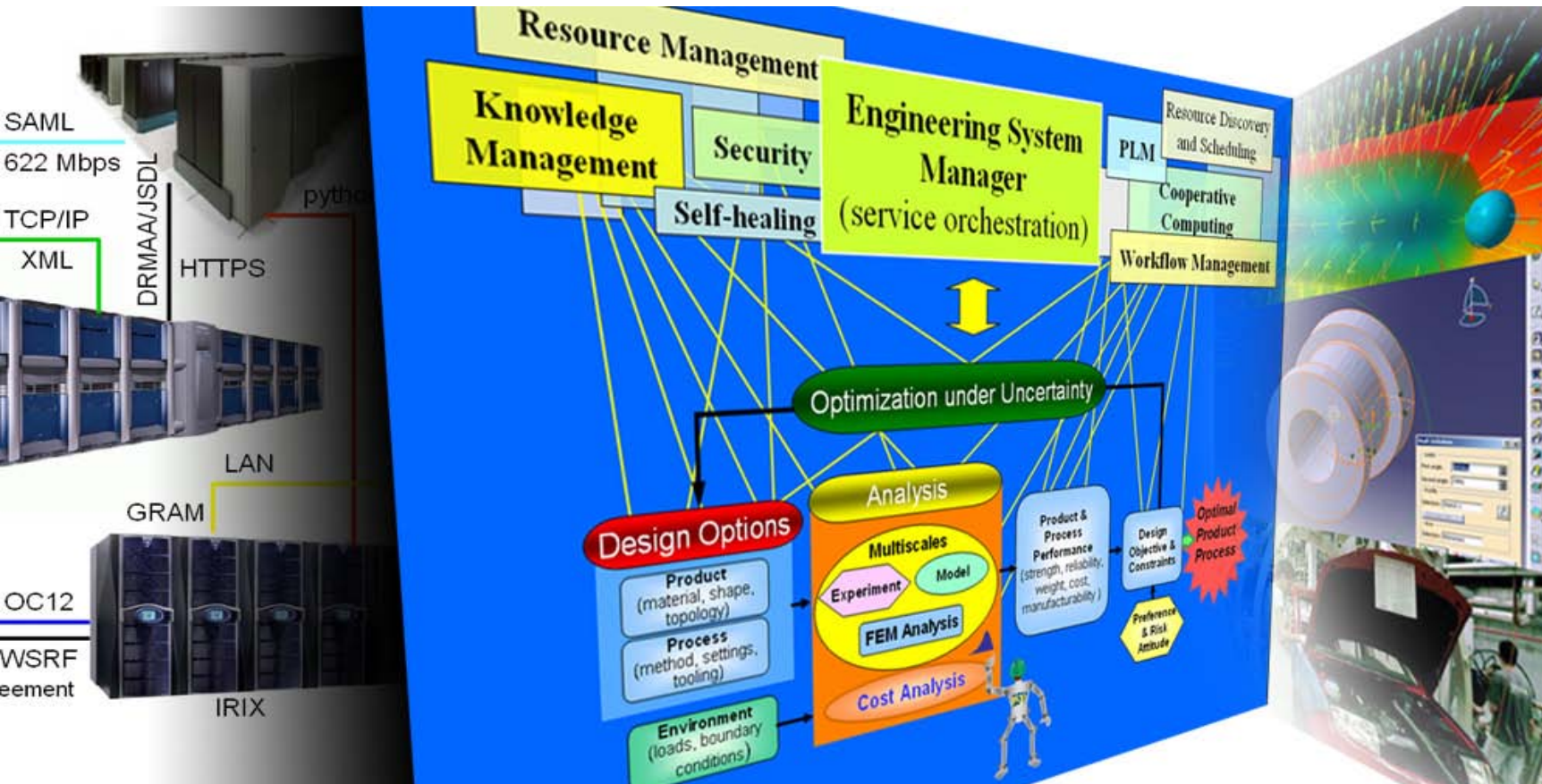
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## Conceptual Design Process

(user-friendly interfaces)

## Engineering Tools

(CAD, CAE, etc.)



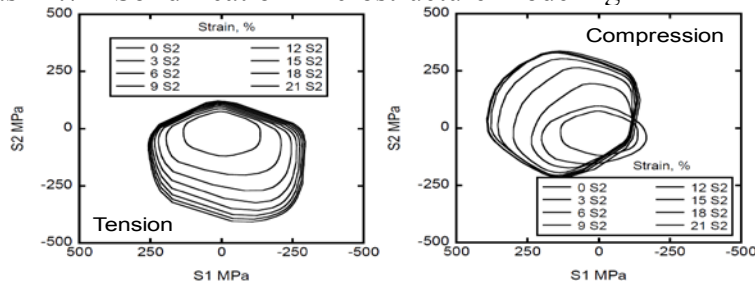
# Lightweight Metal - Magnesium Overview

## GOALS

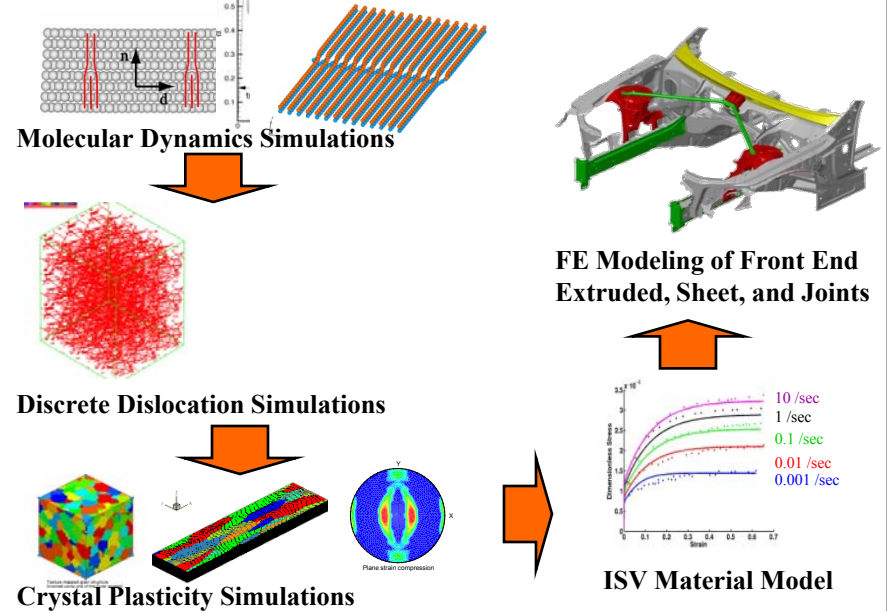
- ❑ Deploy and adapt current capabilities developed at CAVS in materials characterization and multiscale modeling approaches to establish a Lightweight Materials Research and Development Center.
- ❑ Drive the advanced modeling and experimental capabilities to reduce the manufacturing cost of Mg alloy vehicle components, and enhance the use of Mg in the automotive industry.
- ❑ Impact the growth of the regional economy and draw regional/national/international company participation into education, services and research on Magnesium alloys.

## Tasks and Accomplishment:

- Task 1.1 – Internal State Variable Material Models
- Task 1.2 – Cyberinfrastructure
- Task 1.3 -- Fatigue Performance
- Task 1.4 – Corrosion
- Task 1.5 – Material Design
- Task 1.6 – Simulation-Based Design Optimization
- Task 1.7 – Solidification Microstructure Modeling



## Multiscale Modeling Approach for Mg Alloys



## COST SHARE

ABAQUS  
ALTAIR  
ESI  
SIMUFACT-AMERICA  
F-TECH  
GENESIS SYSTEM

## PARTNERS

Ford (MI)  
GM (MI)  
DOE  
Lehigh Univ  
Virginia Tech  
USAMP-HIMAC Team  
USAMP-MFERD Team

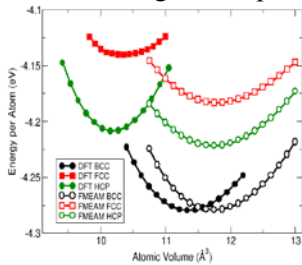
# Steel Program Overview

## Goal:

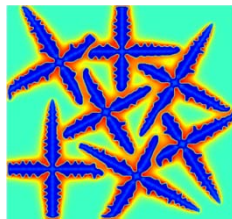
Deploy and adapt current enhanced capabilities developed at CAVS in multiscale materials modeling and characterization to steel manufacturing, process optimization, and alloy design impacting the growth of regional economy and drawing regional/national/international company participation into education, services, and research on ferrous alloys.

## Tasks and Accomplishment:

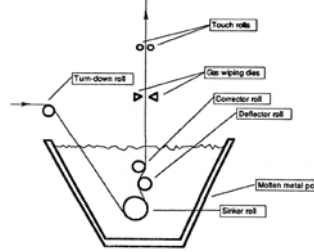
- **Task 2.1 – Materials Design of Lightweight Alloys**
  - Design a novel high strength steel alloy with improved formability and strength for automotive use.
- **Task 2.2 – Solidification and Phase Transformation in Steel Alloys**
  - Explore the feasibility of an all-local approach to solidification microstructure modeling in steel alloys with potential for large-scale parallel simulations of dendritic structures.



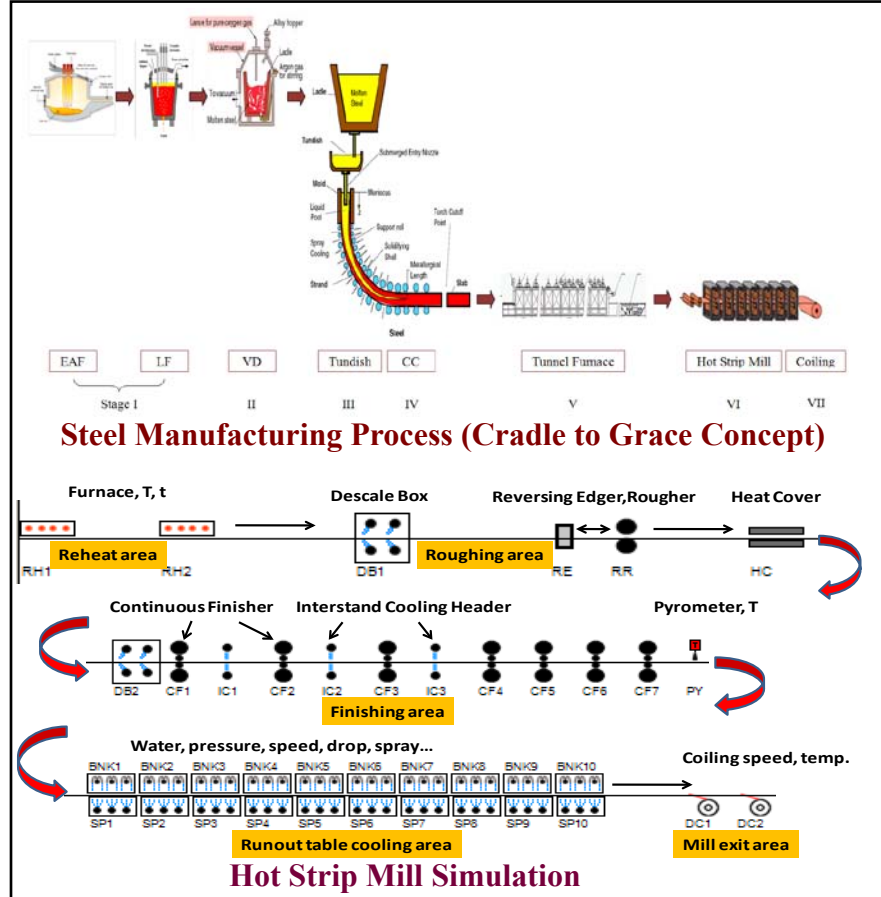
**DFT Fe-X**  
interatomic potential



**Dendrite Growth**  
in Cubic Systems



**Zinc Bath Coating**



## Cost Share / Corporate Partners:

Severstal (MS), Nucor Steel (MS), Schultz (MS), Optomec (NM), Ice Prototyping (TX), POSCO (Korea), SAC, (Korea), KITECH (Korea), Dayou Smart Aluminum (Korea), International Zinc Association



# Polymer Program Overview

**Goal:** Establish high fidelity predictive tools for polymeric materials to be used for fabrication/manufacturing, design, and optimization of complex engineering boundary value problems and structural components. This research focuses on the development of multiscale material models which are experimentally validated to obtain process-structure-property relationships for polymers.

## Tasks and Accomplishment:

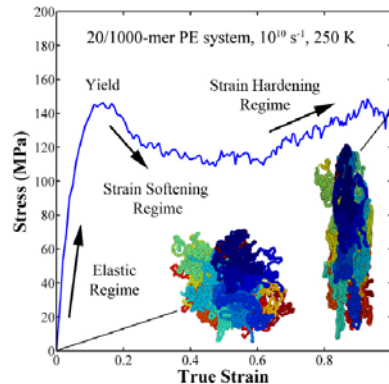
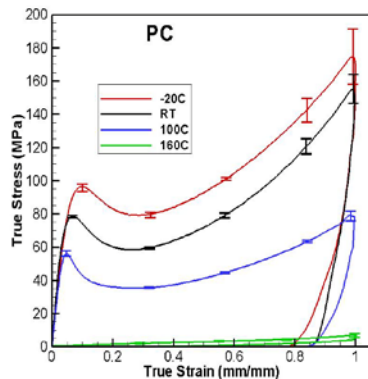
### Task 3.1 – Polymers

- Develop a microstructure based ISV model capable of describing structure-property relationship to predict the mechanical behavior of polymers.

### • Task 3.2 – Carbon Fiber Composites and Nanocomposites

- Design low-cost nanoreinforced and continuous composite systems ; Develop a multiscale modeling methodology for predicting evolution and failure of structural nanocomposites and continuous fiber composites.

### Stress-Strain Responses by ISV and Low-scale Models



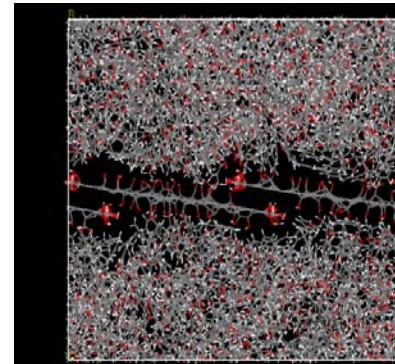
### • Task 3.3 – Biodegradable composites

- Refine the processes in lab-scale on fiber retting/treatment process, natural fiber composite products from kenaf bast fiber, with a potential to scale up the process; Develop predictive tools on the developed natural fiber.

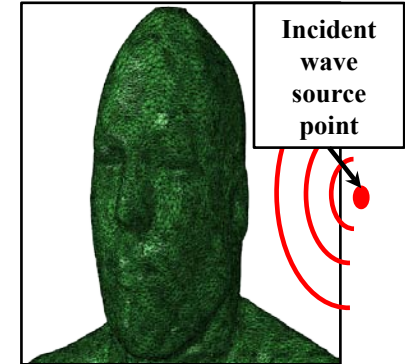
### • Task 3.4 – Biomaterials

- Determine the structure-property relationships of both soft biological tissues and animal outer armor. Use the relationships to develop material models for implementation into finite element codes.

Nano-fiber Interface Model



Human Head/Brain Model



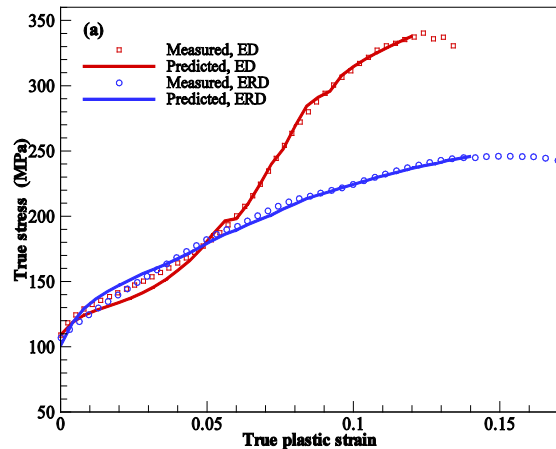
### Cost Share / Corporate Partners:

American Chemistry Council, Mitsubishi Motors, Kengro, Louisiana Pacific, MIMICS, Alpha Star

# Magnesium Building Block Development & Demonstration

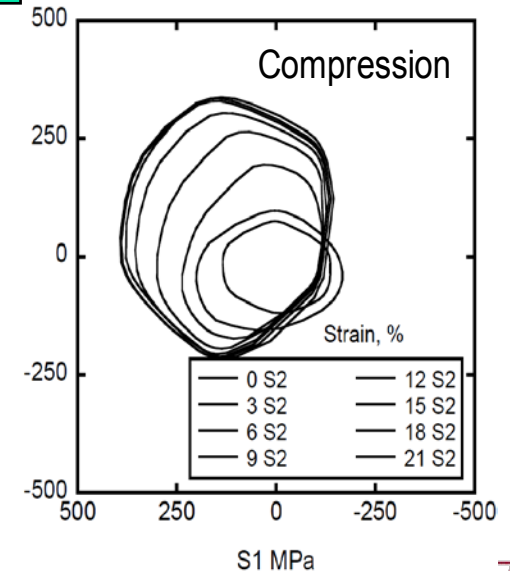
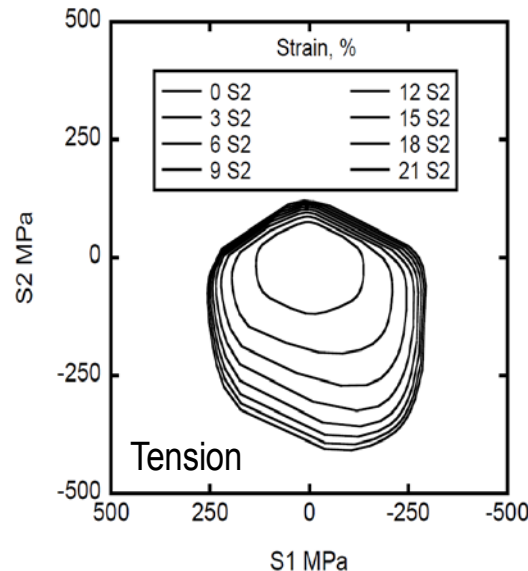
1. Internal state variable (ISV) material model with twinning, texture, **damage**, ..
2. Lower-scale modeling effort - DFT, molecular dynamics, crystal plasticity, twinning and dislocation mechanisms, leading to **Alloy Design concepts**
3. In-house lab-scale experimentation - extrusion, sheet bending, post forming, fatigue, corrosion, **casting, recrystallization**,...
4. USAMP/ICME Mg demo project

# ISV Material Model Development



Twinning impacts  
yield surface evolution

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\alpha} = & - \left[ \frac{m_\phi}{\mu(\phi)} \dot{\phi} + \frac{m_\theta}{\mu(\theta)\theta_M} \dot{\theta} \right] \alpha + \tilde{w}^e \alpha - \alpha \tilde{w}^e + c_\alpha \mu(\phi, \theta) h d^p \\ & - \frac{r_d(\theta)}{c_\alpha \mu(\phi, \theta)} \frac{2}{3} \|d^p\| \|\alpha\| \alpha \quad (\text{Kinematic hardening}) \\ \dot{\kappa} = & - \left[ \frac{m_\phi}{\mu(\phi)} \dot{\phi} + \frac{m_\theta}{\mu(\theta)\theta_M} \dot{\theta} \right] \kappa + [c_\kappa \mu(\phi, \theta) H - R_d(\theta) \kappa] \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \|d^p\| \\ & - R_s(\theta) \kappa \sinh \left( \frac{c_{10}}{c_\kappa \mu(\phi, \theta)} \kappa \right) \quad (\text{Isotropic hardening}) \\ \dot{A} = & w A - A w + \frac{\lambda_g}{7} (3 + 4f) \left[ A d^p + d^p A - \frac{2}{3} (A : d^p) \mathbf{1} \right] \\ & + 2 \frac{\lambda_g}{15} (3 + 2f) d^p - 2 \lambda_g f (A : d^p) A \\ f = & 1 - 27 \det \left( A + \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{1} \right) \quad (\text{Structure tensor}) \end{aligned}$$

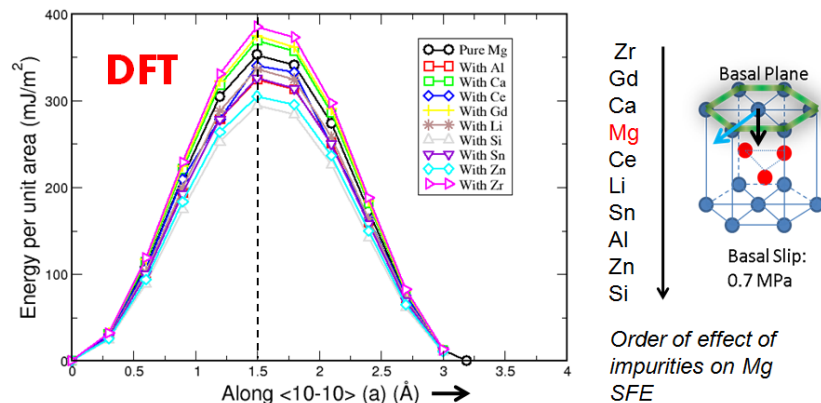


# DFT-guided alloy design

## c/a, structural parameter

### Alloying Effects on Properties

What effect do alloying elements have on stacking fault energies?



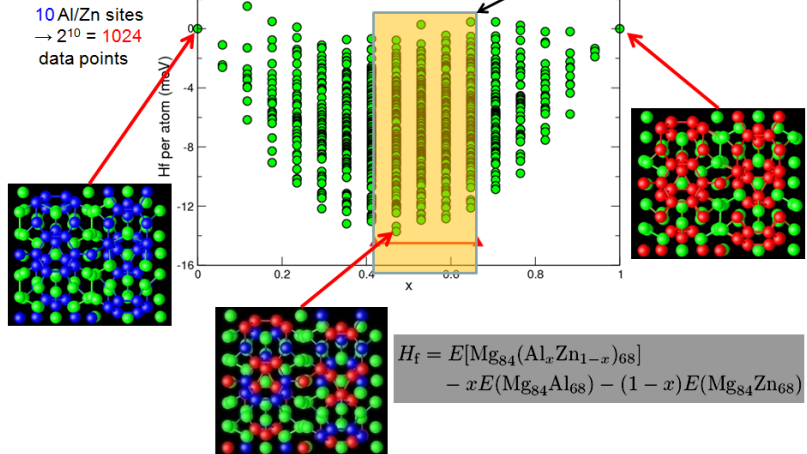
A. Moitra et al.

### Substitutional Element Effects on Stacking Fault Energies

## Structure and Properties of Intermetallics

### Mg-Zn-Al ternary alloy: Phi phase

#### Relative Stability Energy of $Mg_{84}(Al_xZn_{1-x})_{68}$



### The Tau phase - $Mg_{32}(Al,Zn)_{49}$

- Icosahedral quasicrystal
- Structure determined – 1957 – Bergman et. al.
- Cubic – space group  $\bar{1}m\bar{3}$
- Unit – Bergman atom cluster
- Exists in a wide compositional range

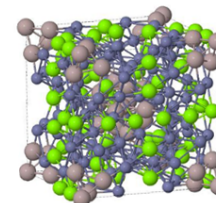


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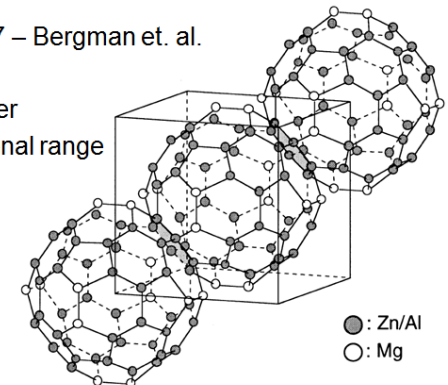
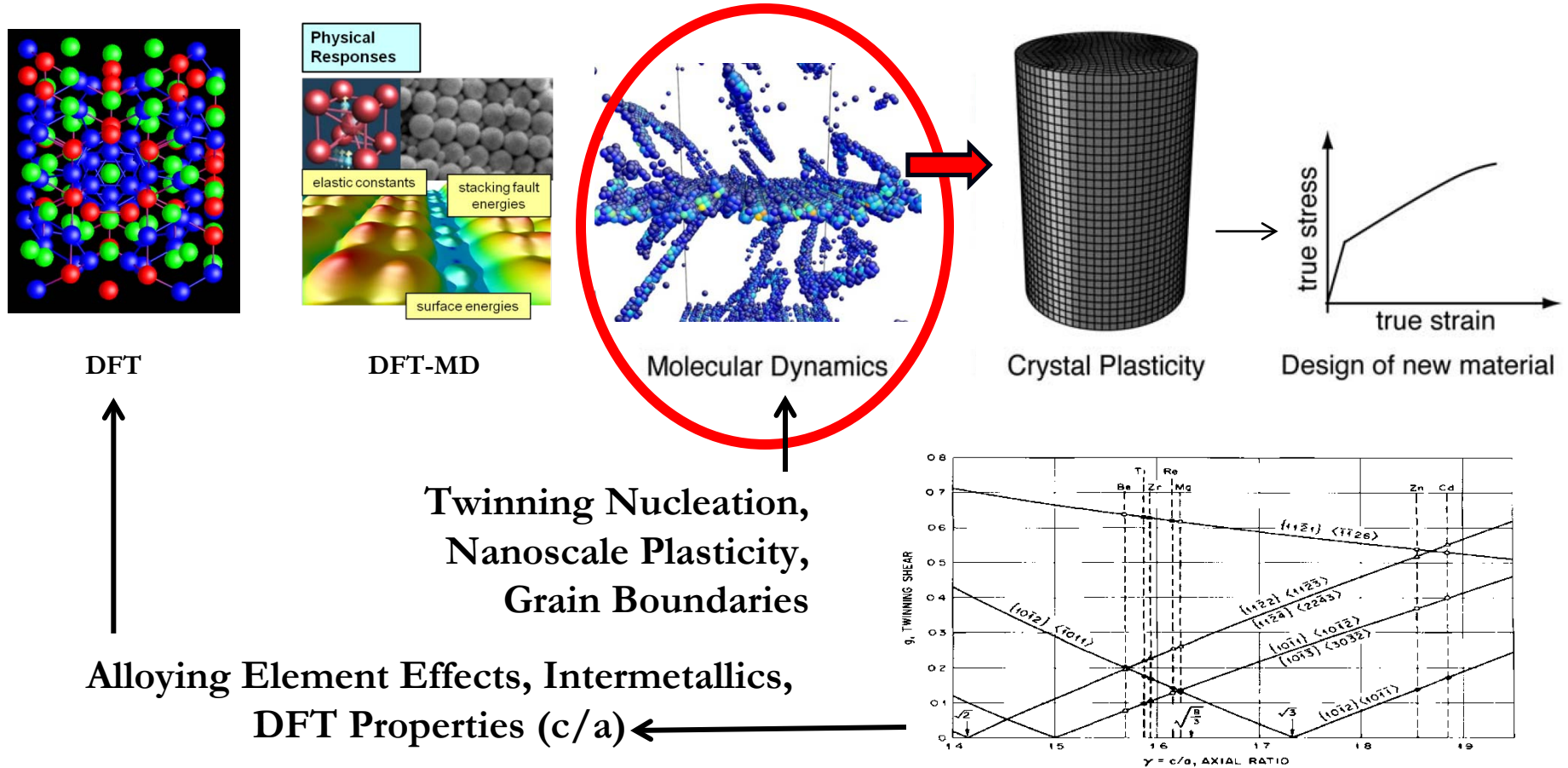


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# Alloy Design: Multiscale Strategy for Twinning

## MAGNESIUM



# In-house Lab-scale Experimentation

(Stage I & II)



Induction Melting  
Furnace & Ladle

(Stage III & IV)



Ladle &  
Ingot Casting

(Stage V)



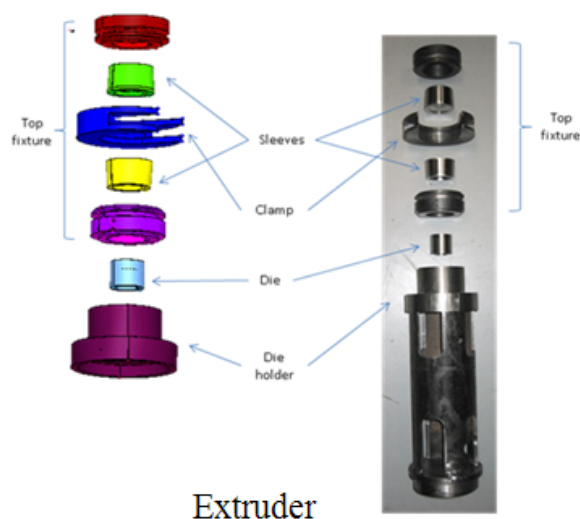
High Temperature  
Re-Heat Furnace

(Stage VI)



Rolling Mill

Materials/Mechanical  
Properties  
Characterization



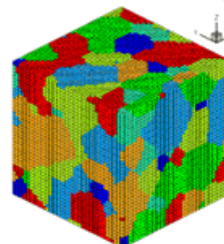
Extruder



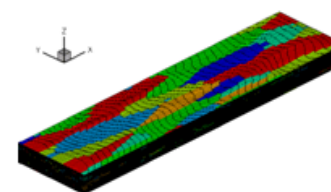
Extruder  
Channel Die



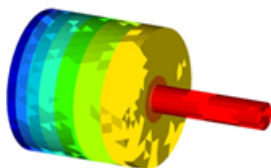
Extruded Specimens  
Deformed sheet samples  
(Stage VI)



FEA Simulation Research



Structure/Texture Research

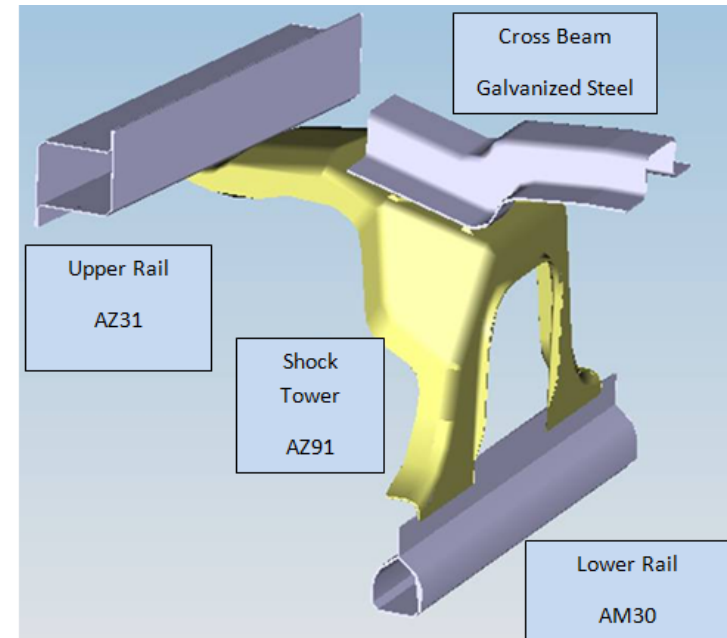


# USAMP/ICME Mg Demo Project

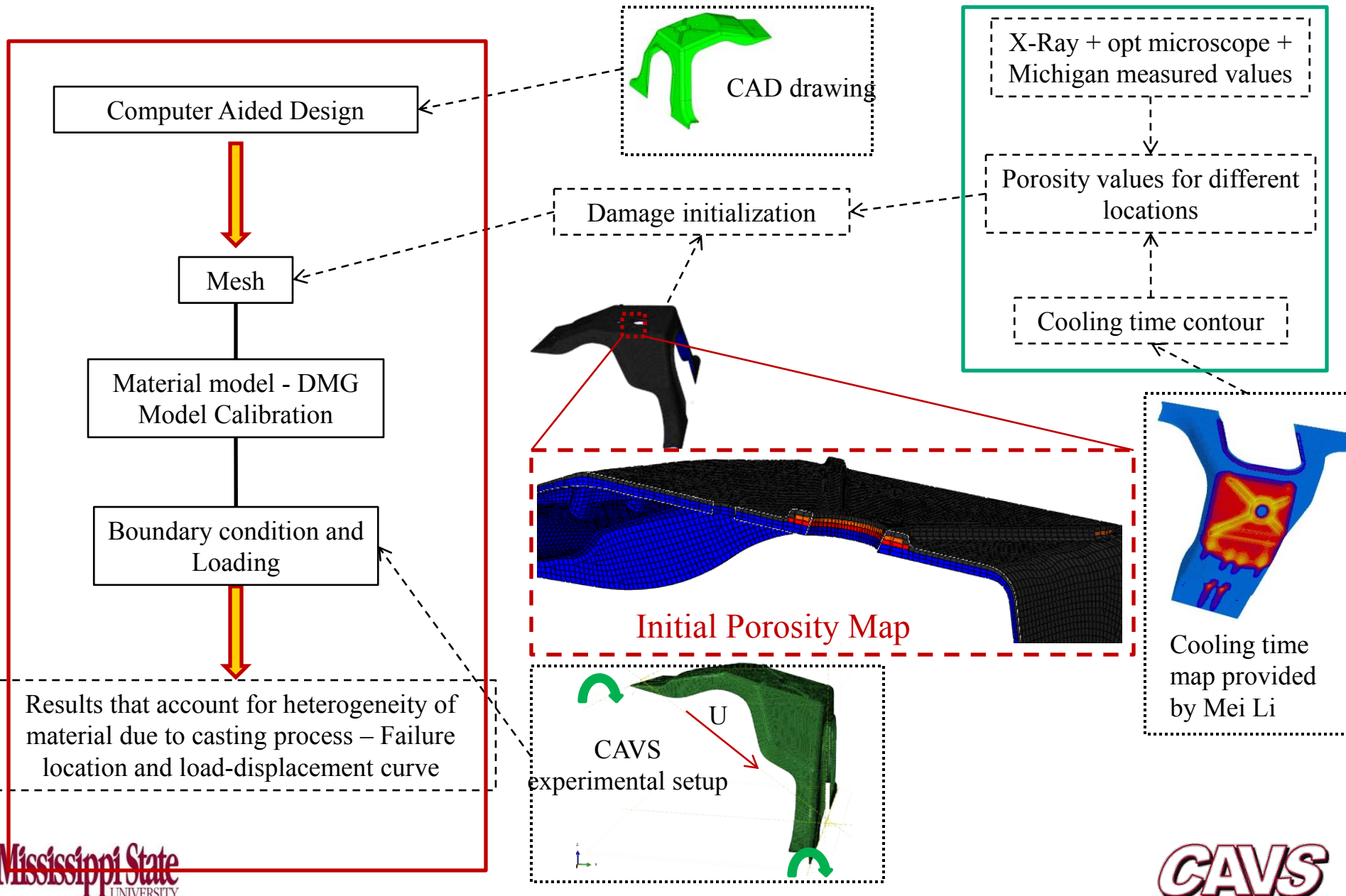
## Objectives:

**Predict component's mechanical responses and process-structure-property relationship using methodology developed by ICME building block program.**

- **Cast/Shock Tower: failure location and load-displacement curve under monotonic and fatigue loading.**
- **Extrusion/Lower Rail: texture at different locations in a section profile after extrusion and yield strength at room temperature.**
- **Sheet/Upper Rail: texture after bending.**

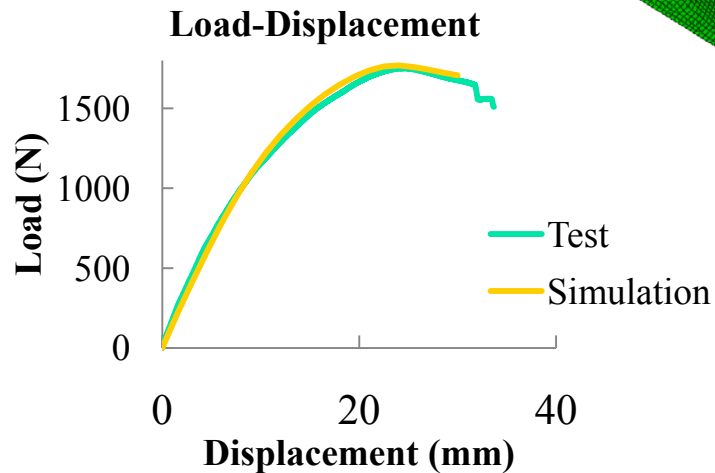
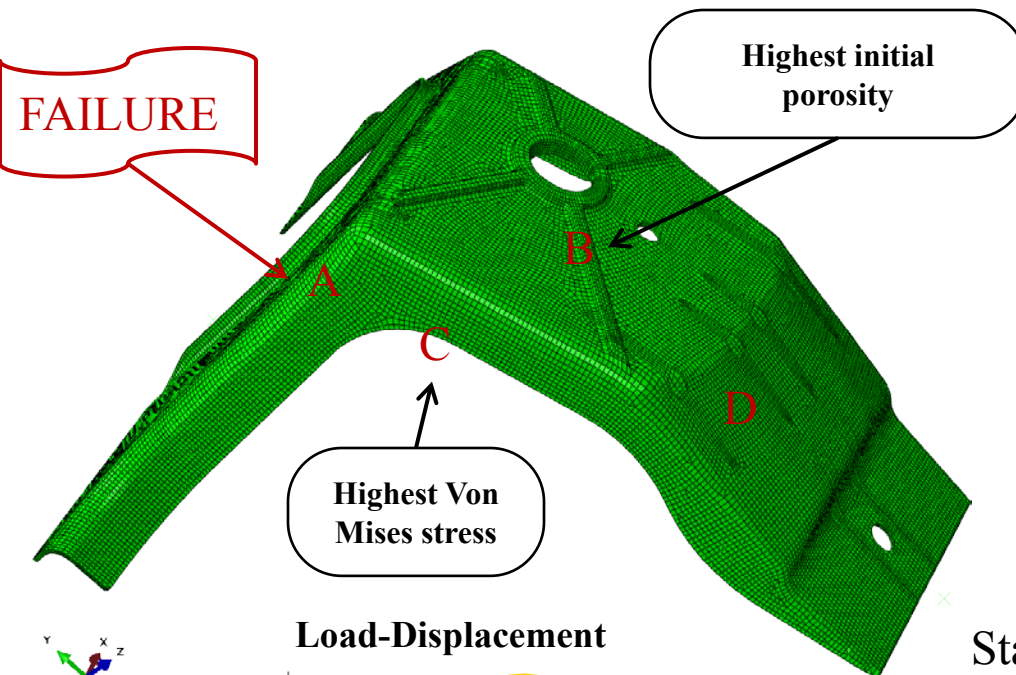


# Validation Effort for Mg Shock Tower: Zone Mapping Method



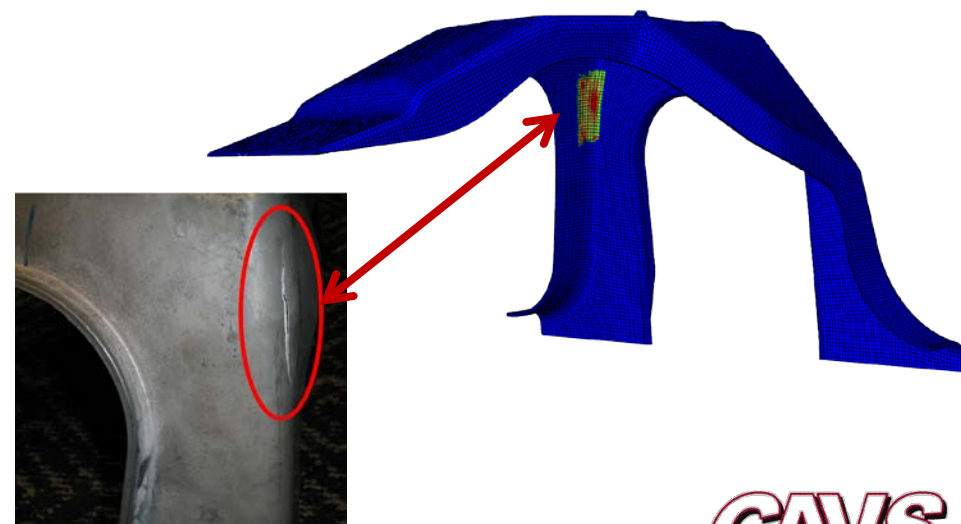


# ICME-Demo Shock Tower – Validation Result



	Mises Stress	Initial Porosity	Damage
Highest	C	B	A
	A	D	C
	B	A	D
Lowest	D	C	B

Standard FEA answer      Standard Materials Science answer      ISV Prediction

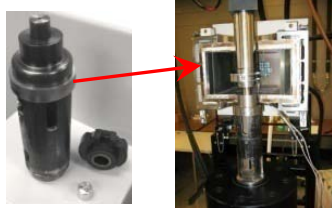


# Integration of Extrusion Work

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## Sub-Scale Indirect Extrusion Experiments

Sub-Scale Fixture Instron Machine



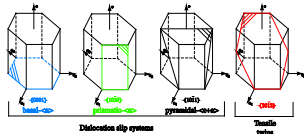
### Data Recorded

- Load-time
- Temperature-time
- Texture

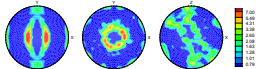
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## Crystal Plasticity Material Model

slip/twin systems in Mg



### Texture Predictions

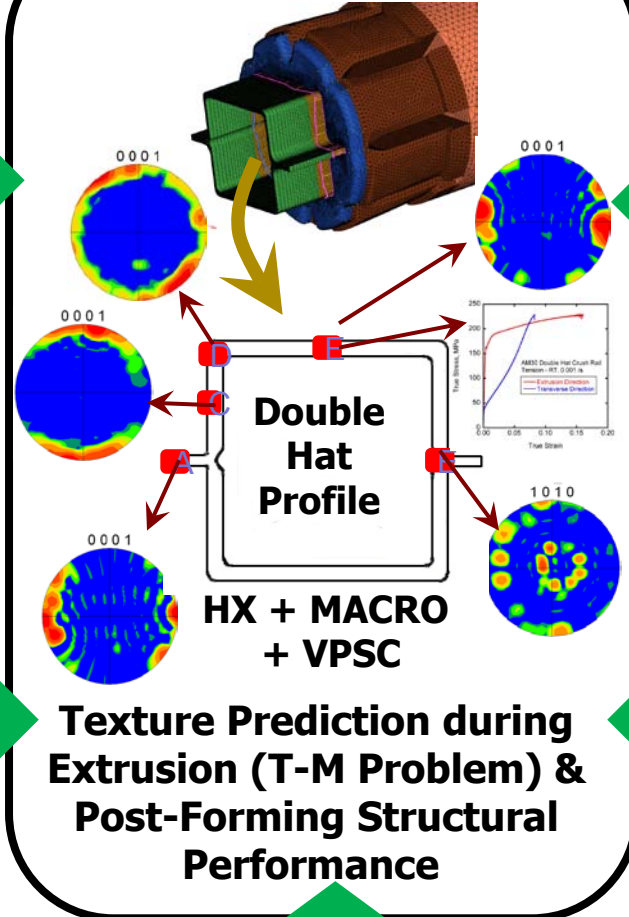


### Texture Predictions

- VPSC Code
- Voce hard law
- Dislocation-based hard law

## INDUSTRY-TYPE EXTRUDED PROFILE

### Porthole Die (Timminco)

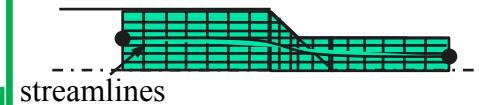


II

## FEM Modeling of Extrusion Process

HyperXtrude (HX)

Eulerian-ALE Mesh

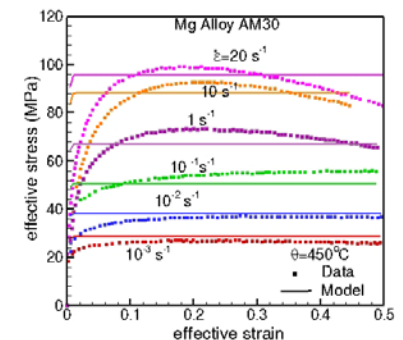


### Numerical Analysis

- Validate T-M problem
- Streamline data
- Simple material model

III

## Macroscopic Material Model

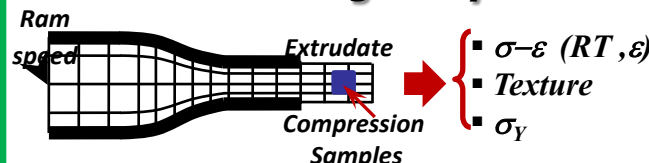


### Material Modeling

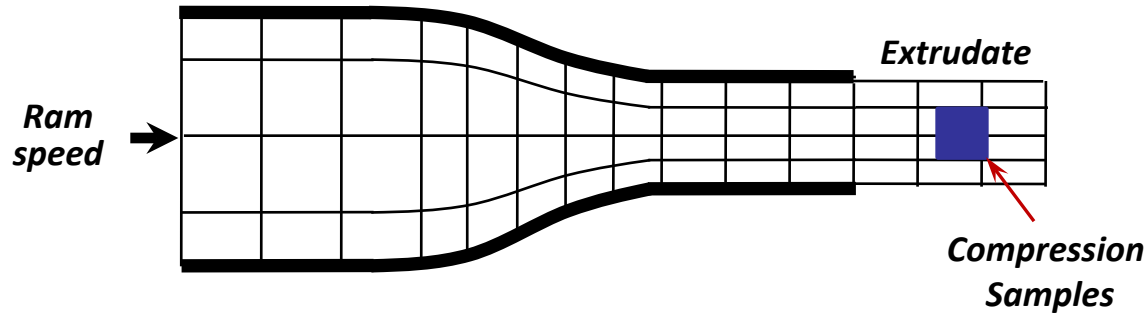
- $\sinh^{-1}()$  model for T-M problem
- HX being modified to add ISV material models

V

## Post-Forming Analysis

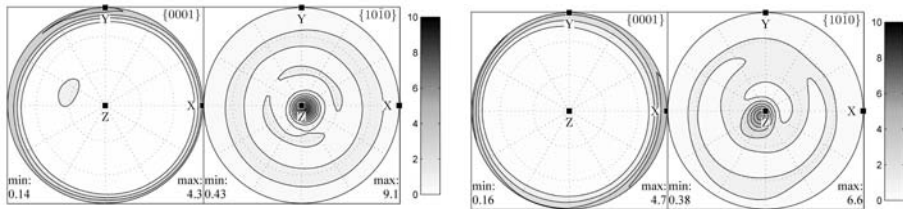
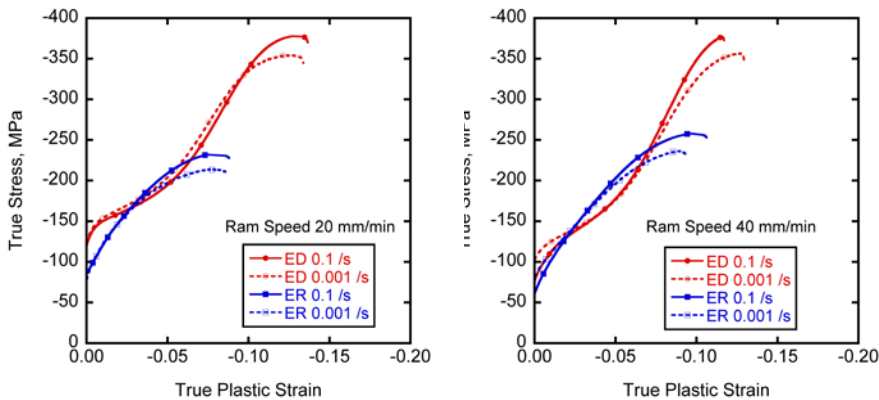


# Post-Forming Analysis



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- $\sigma$ - $\epsilon$  at RT & diff rates
  - Microstructure (texture)
  - Yield strength

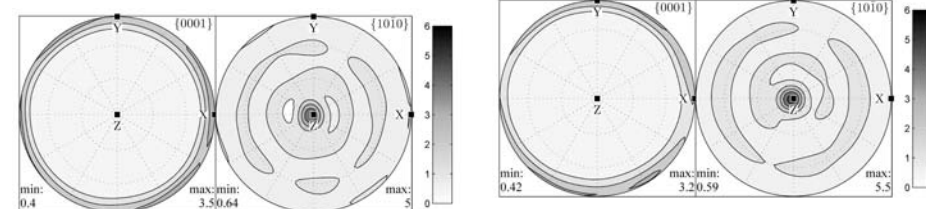
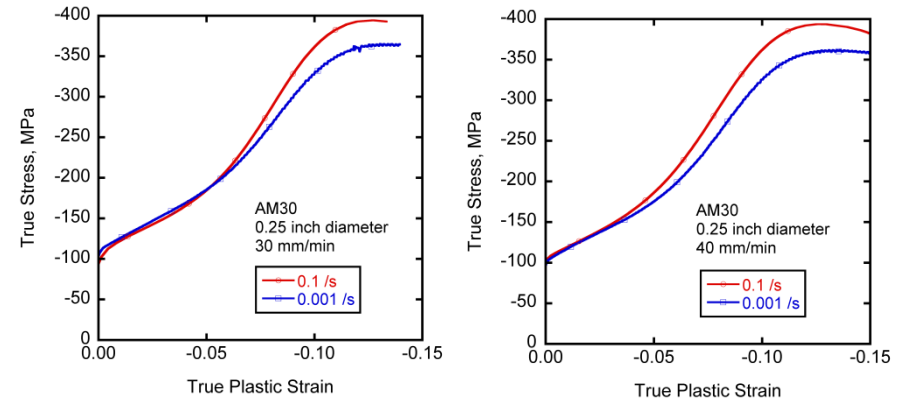
## 1/2 " extrudate



Initial Texture: am30\_20mm

Initial Texture: am30\_40\_mm

## 1/4 " extrudate



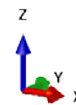
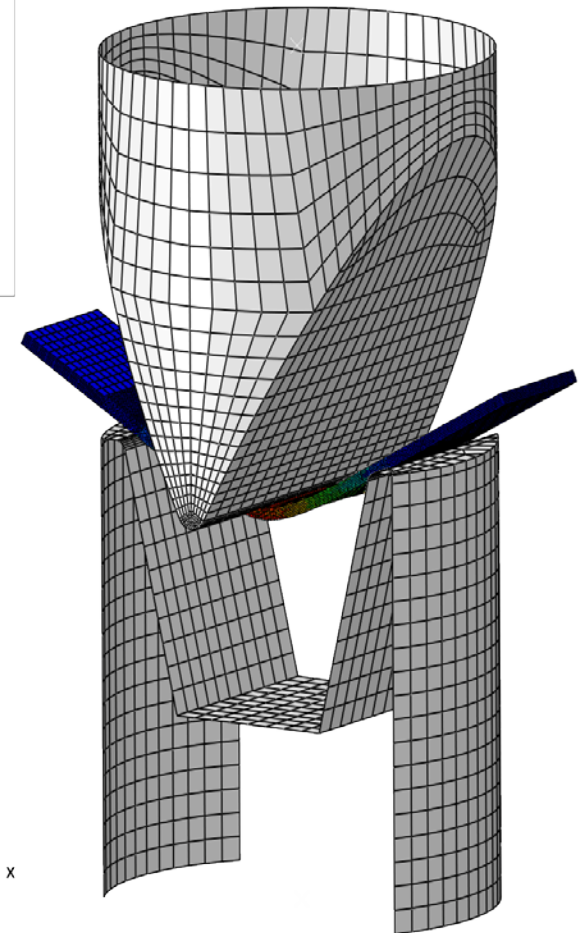
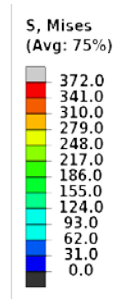
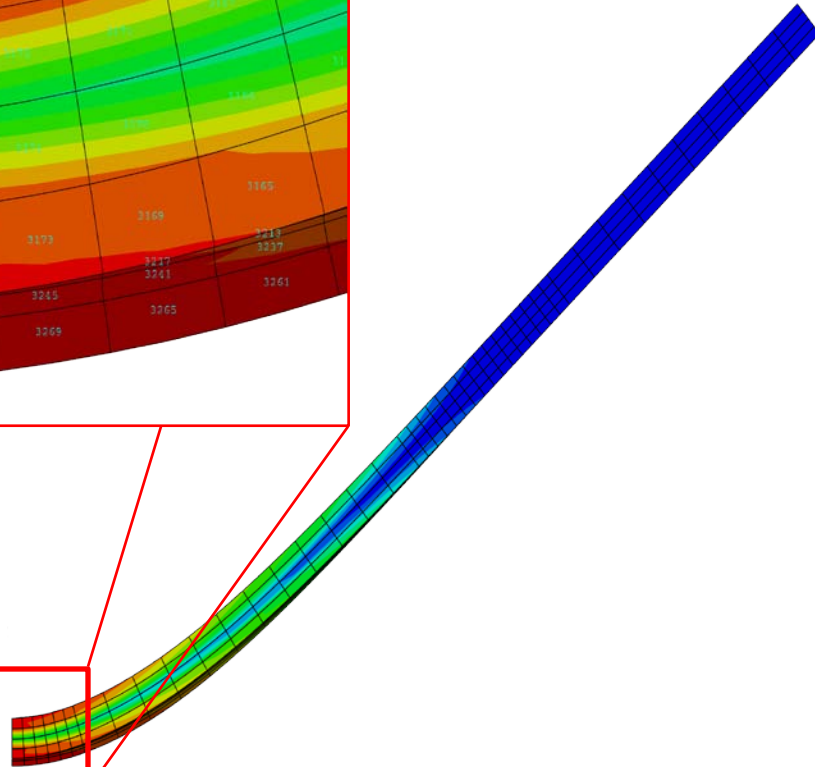
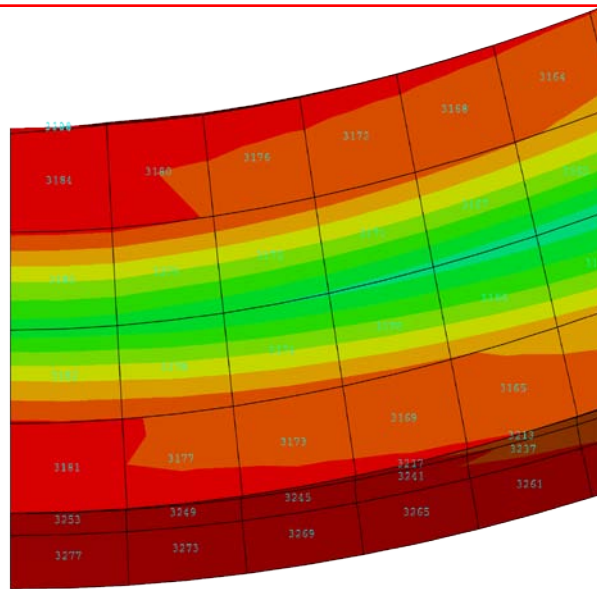
Initial Texture: am30\_30mm

Initial Texture: am30\_40\_mm

# Sheet Bending FE Analysis

Perform bending simulation using a plasticity Abaqus \*Plastic and Umat plasticity subroutine (no damage).

Post-process results into VPSC for texture prediction

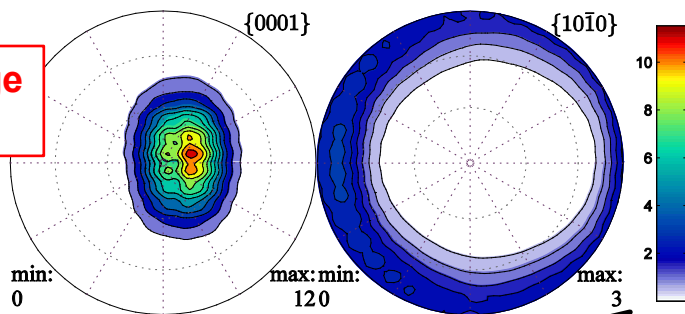




# Texture/Twinning Prediction of AZ31 Sheet during Bending

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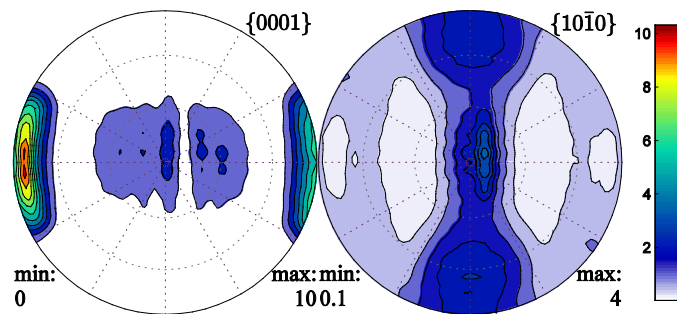
Slight change in texture



$\varepsilon=0.043$

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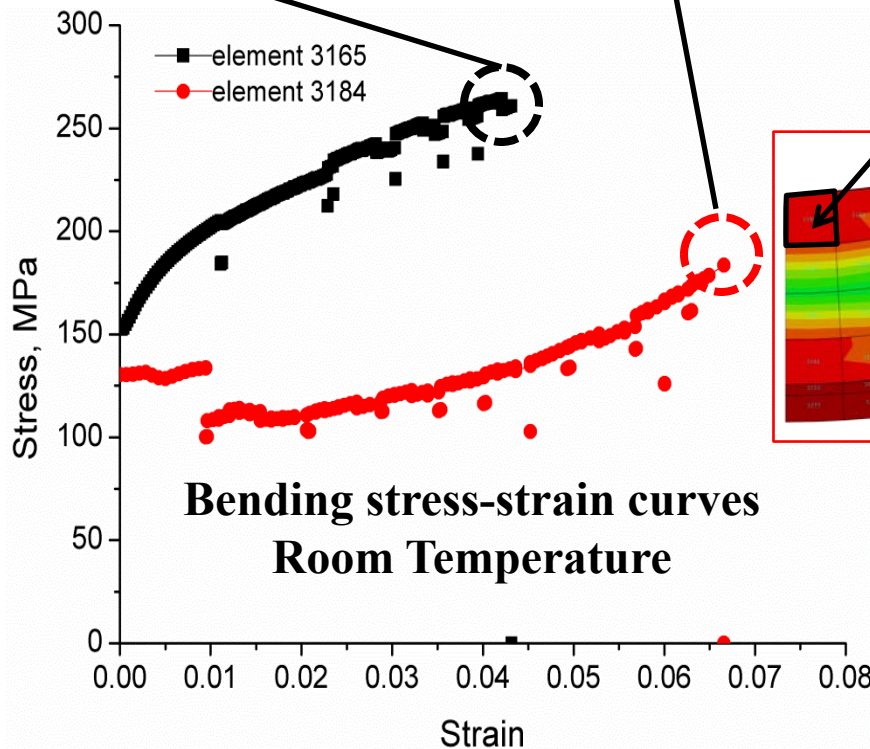
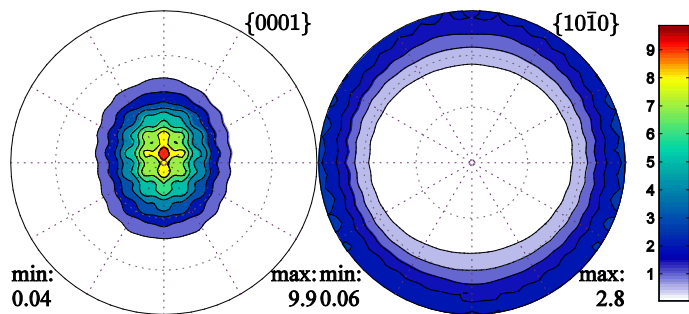
Appearance of twinning



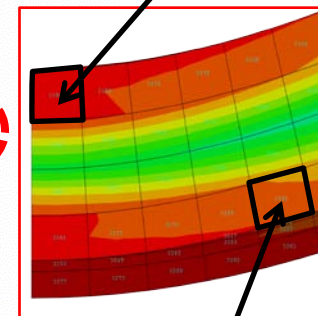
$\varepsilon=0.076$

RD  
↑  
TD  
→

Initial texture



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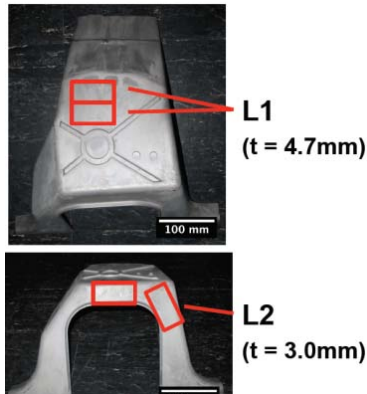


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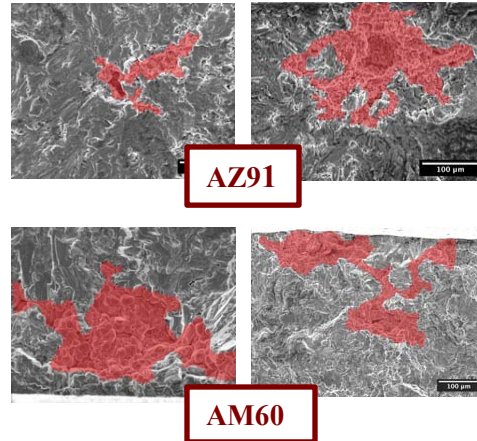
# Microstructure-Sensitive Fatigue Modeling of Cast Mg AM60 and AZ91 Shock Tower

## Accomplishments

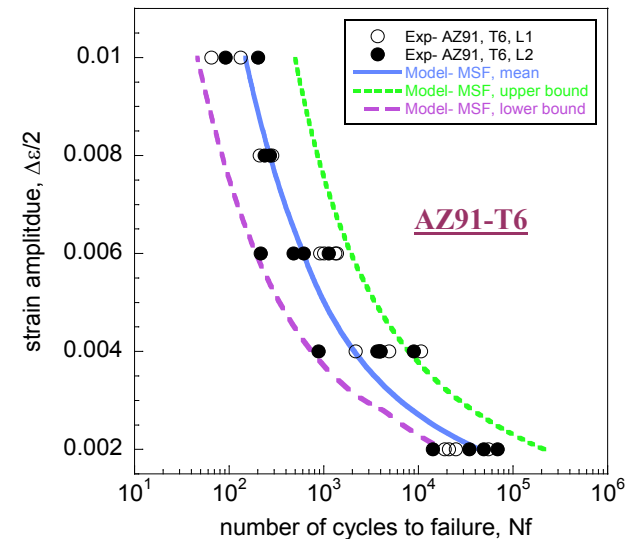
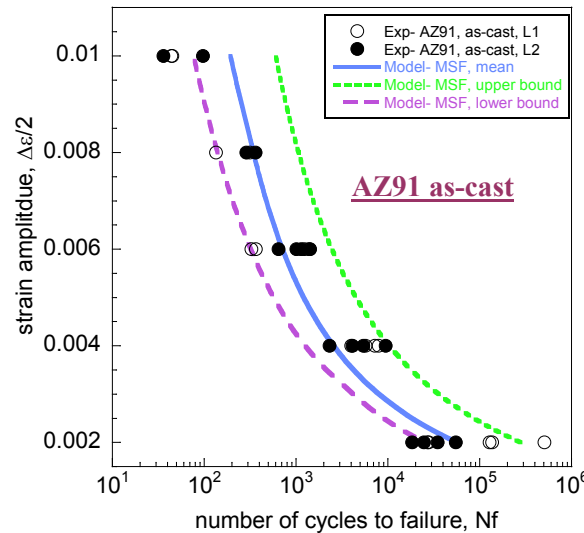
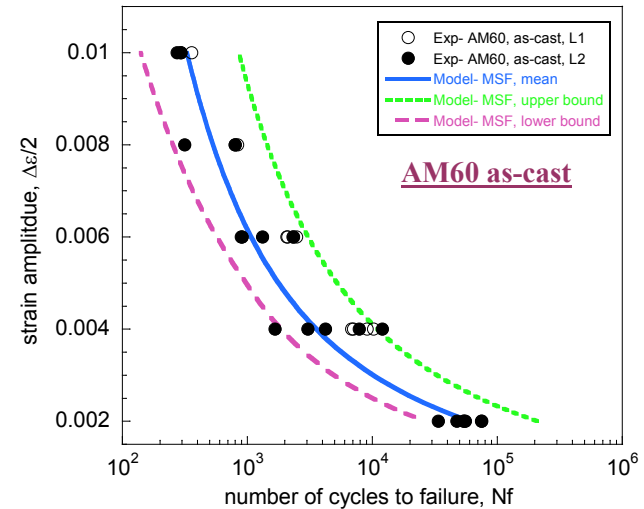
- Variation in AM60 and AZ91: DCS, porosity, pore size, and cyclic hardening parameters
- Cracks initiated from casting pores
- The MultiStage fatigue (MSF) model correlated to fatigue results AM60 and AZ91 shocktower.
- MSF model captured the upper and lower bounds of fatigue data based on:
  - microstructural
  - max inclusion size
  - cyclic hardening



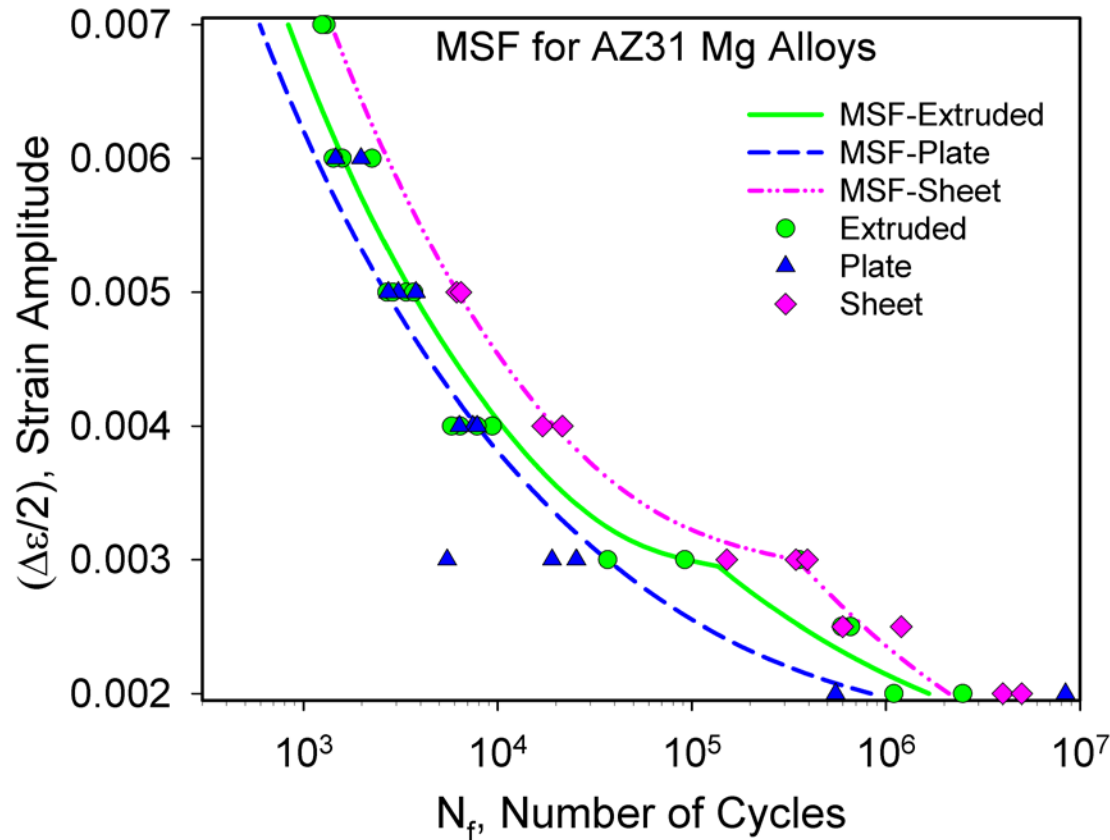
AM60 and AZ91 Shock Tower



Typical Initiation sites



# Multi-Stage Fatigue (MSF) Modeling of AZ31 Products



A MSF model was developed for each of the three product forms of AZ31 alloy along with strain-life fatigue data

# MultiStage Fatigue-Joints Model (MSF-J) Overview

Synergy with  
other research  
trusts

Thermo-  
mechanical  
simulations

Inputs

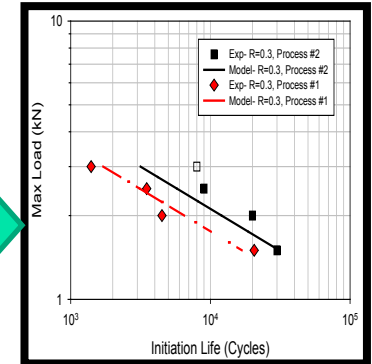
Microstructure  
and joint  
geometry:

Model

**MSF-J**

A physically  
motivated and  
mechanics-based  
approach:  
*incubation* and  
*crack growth*

Output



Capture process  
induced  
variation in  
fatigue  
performance



# CyberInfrastructure



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# Progress Report of CyberInfrastructure

new: Wiki

improved:  
interface, security

improved:  
DMG

new: the repository  
of codes

just  
started

knowledge  
management  
(Web 2.0)

database  
of experimental  
data  
and material  
constants

online  
model calibration  
tools

repository  
of source codes

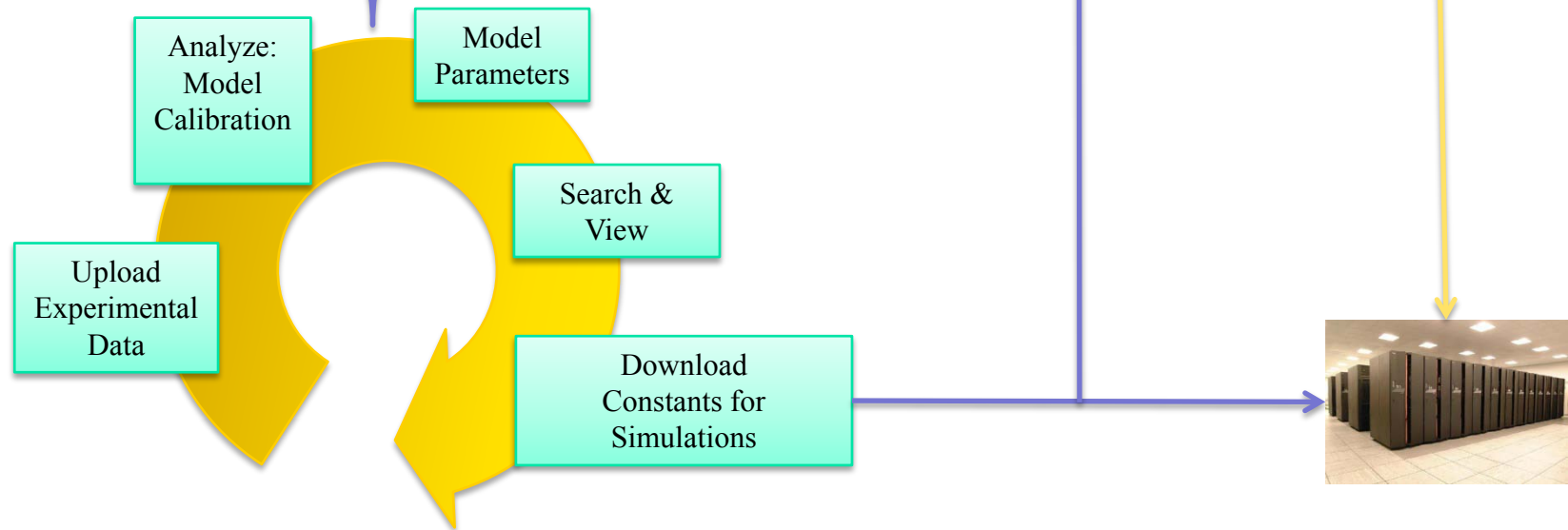
- job submission and monitoring service
- workflows
- Autonomous computing

Task 2.1, Task 2.2

Task 2.3, Task 2.4

Task 2.5, Task 2.6

Task 2.7



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# Repository of Codes

## Example: Internal State Variable Plasticity-Damage Model—Documentation

### Appendix A. MSU ISV DMG 1.0 Production Model Equations

The MSU ISV DMG 1.0 production material model is given by the following equations. The pertinent equations in this model are denoted by the rate of change of the observable and internal state variables. The equations used within the context of the finite element method are given by,

$$\dot{\underline{\sigma}} = \dot{\underline{\sigma}} - \underline{W}^e \underline{\sigma} - \underline{\sigma} \underline{W}^e = \lambda(1-D)\text{tr}(\underline{D}^e) \underline{I} + 2\mu(1-D)\underline{D}^e - \frac{\dot{D}}{1-D} \underline{\sigma} \quad \text{Equation A.1}$$

$$\underline{D}^e = \underline{D} - \underline{D}^{in} \quad \text{Equation A.2}$$

$$\underline{D}^{in} = f(T) \sinh \left[ \frac{\|\underline{\sigma}' - \underline{\alpha}\| - \{R + Y(T)\}(1-D)}{V(T)\{1-D\}} \right] \frac{\underline{\sigma}' - \underline{\alpha}}{\|\underline{\sigma}' - \underline{\alpha}\|} \quad \text{Equation A.3}$$

$$\dot{\underline{\alpha}} = \dot{\underline{\alpha}} - \underline{W}^e \underline{\alpha} + \underline{\alpha} \underline{W}^e = \left\{ h(T) \underline{D}^{in} - \left[ \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} r_d(T) \|\underline{D}^{in}\| + r_s(T) \right] \|\underline{\alpha}\| \underline{\alpha} \right\} \left[ \frac{DCS_0}{DCS} \right]^z \quad \text{Equation A.4}$$

$$\dot{R} = \left\{ H(T) \underline{D}^{in} - \left[ \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} R_d(T) \|\underline{D}^{in}\| + R_s(T) \right] R^2 \right\} \left[ \frac{DCS_0}{DCS} \right]^z \quad \text{Equation A.5}$$

$$\dot{D} = [\dot{\phi}_{particles} + \dot{\phi}_{pores}] \dot{c} + [\phi_{particles} + \phi_{pores}] \dot{c}, \quad \text{Equation A.6}$$

$$\dot{\phi}_{particles} = \dot{\eta} \nu + \eta \dot{\nu} \quad \text{Equation A.7}$$

$$\dot{\eta} = \|\underline{D}^{in}\| \frac{d^{1/2}}{K_{IC} f^{1/3}} \eta \left[ a \left[ \frac{4}{27} - \frac{J_3^2}{J_2^3} \right] + b \frac{J_3}{J_2^{3/2}} + c \left\| \frac{I_1}{\sqrt{J_2}} \right\| \right] \exp \left( - \frac{C_{\eta} T}{T} \right) \quad \text{Equation A.8}$$

$$\dot{\nu} = \frac{3}{2} \nu \left[ \frac{3}{2} \frac{V(T)}{Y(T)} \frac{\sigma_H}{\sigma_{vm}} + \left( 1 - \frac{V(T)}{Y(T)} \right) (1 + 0.4319) \right]^{Y(T)/V(T)} \underline{D}^{in} \quad \text{Equation A.9}$$

$$\dot{c} = C_{coal} [\dot{\eta} \nu + \dot{\eta} \nu] \exp(C_{CT} T) \left( \frac{DCS_0}{DCS} \right)^z \quad \text{Equation A.10}$$

$$\dot{\phi}_{pores} = \left[ \frac{1}{(1 - \phi_{pores})^m} - (1 - \phi_{pores}) \right] \sinh \left[ \frac{2 \left( 2^{V(T)/Y(T)-1} \right)}{\left( 2^{V(T)/Y(T)+1} \right)} \frac{\sigma_H}{\sigma_{vm}} \right] \|\underline{D}^{in}\| \quad \text{Equation A.11}$$

### Graphical User Interface

The remainder of this report describes the user interface of the stand-alone version of DMGfit. The documentation for the Web version of DMGfit is online at <http://ccg.hpc.msstate.edu/ccgportlets/apps/cmd/html/help.htm>.

A snapshot of the DMGfit GUI in operation, annotated to highlight the logical groupings of the controls, is shown by Figure 3.

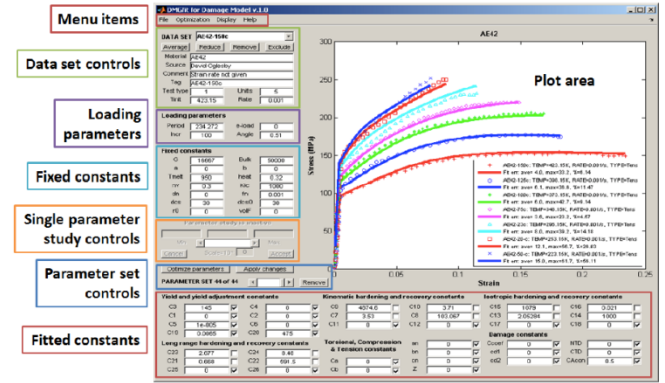
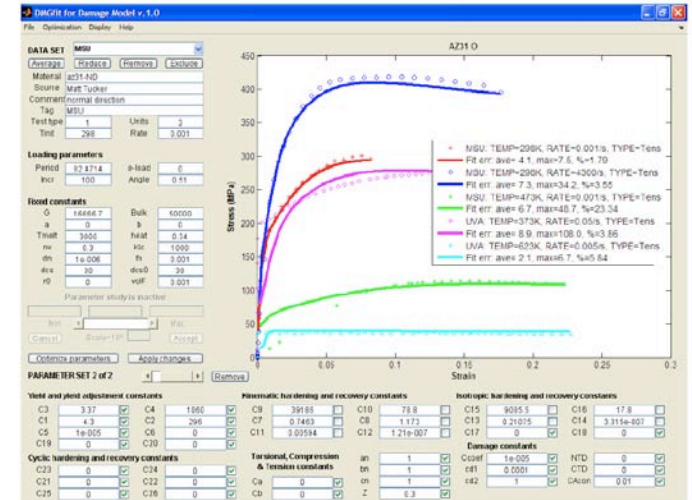


Figure 3. The logical groupings of controls in the DMGfit GUI.

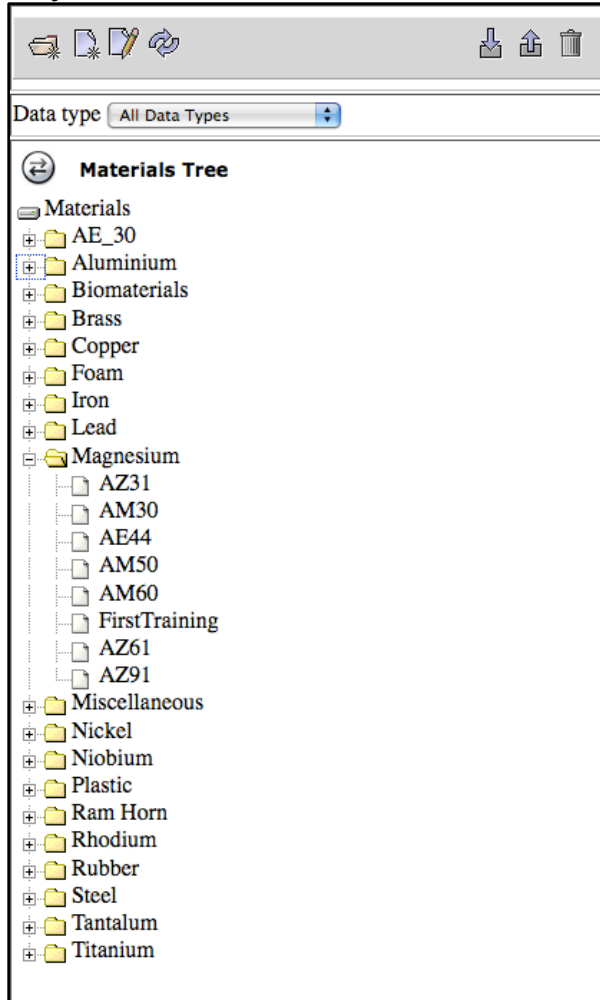


B43. AZ31 Mg alloy: temperature and strain rate model correlation

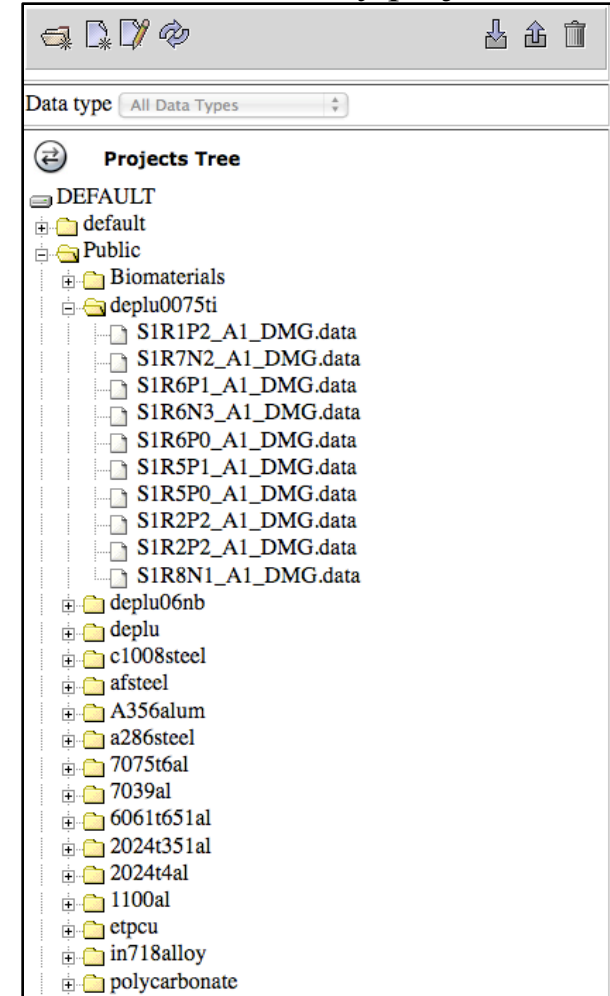
# Repository of Materials Database

## *Two Views of the Same Database*

by material



by project/user



**Consistency**  
the same  
organization and  
appearance for the  
repository and  
model calibration  
tools

## **Future Work**

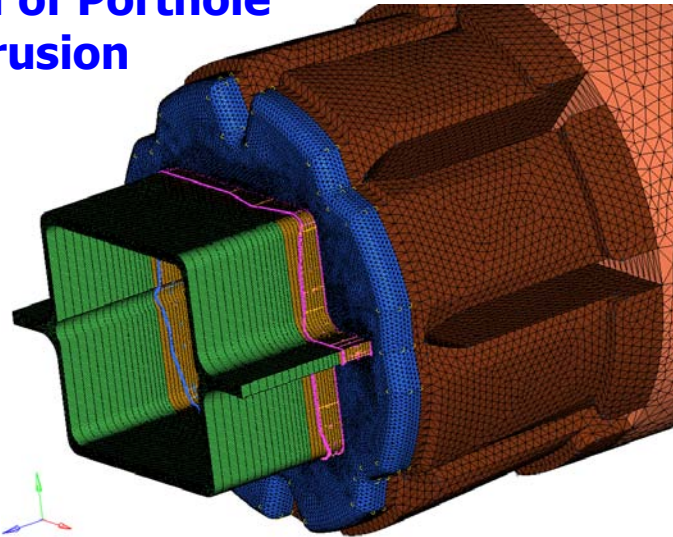
- **Develop and validate material and process models for Mg alloys and deploy tools for use, i.e., MFERD Phase II demo project.**
- **Establish Mg alloy design methodology and verification by using lower-length scale simulation tools and lab experimentation.**
- **Establish close partnership with steel and plastic industries so as to direct R&D&A in steel and polymer programs.**
- **Continue the CyberInfrastructure effort and establish a national and an international user base.**



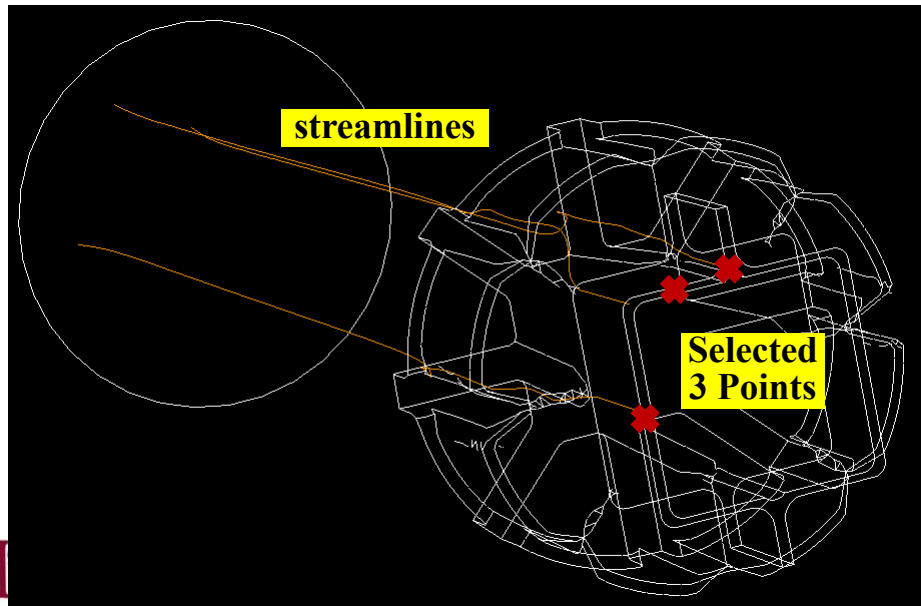
# Technical Back-Up Slides

# Points/Streamlines for Texture Predictions

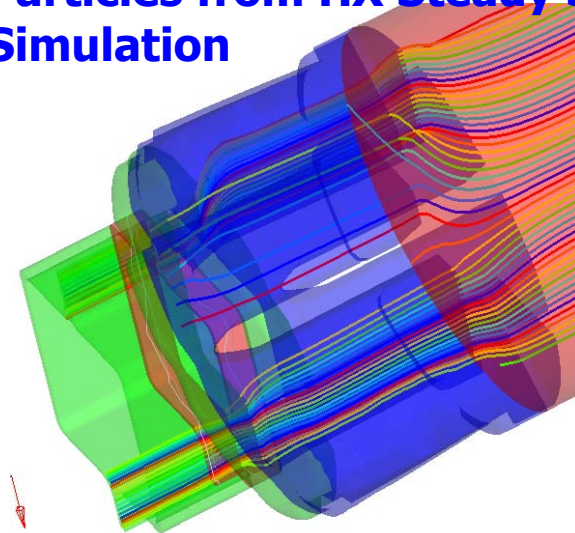
## HX-FEM of Porthole Die Extrusion



### Selected Point Locations on Profile



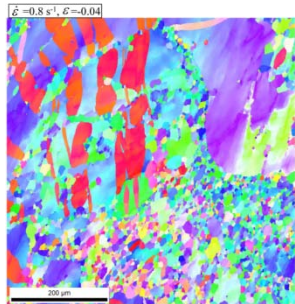
## Streamline Traces of Material Particles from HX Steady State Simulation



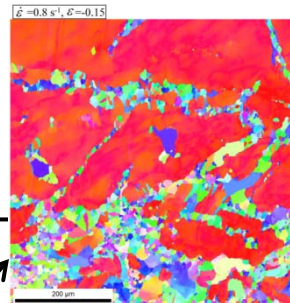
### Current Issues with HX Particle Tracer:

- HX particle tracer writes HUGE files for TET elements.
- HX developers are working on a improved version of the particle tracing capability to:
  - Reduce the size of the file for TETs
  - Check  $\text{tr}(\mathbf{L})=0$
- Altair is also working on other more efficient tools for particle tracing.

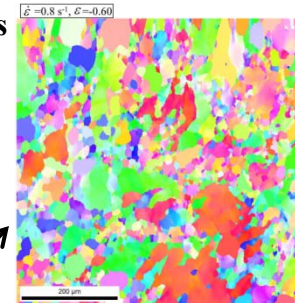
# Need of DRX Models for Mg



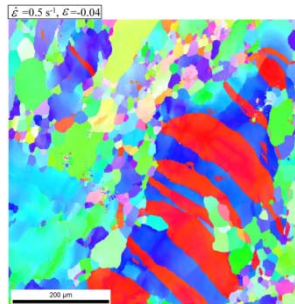
Profuse twinning activates and necklace DRX grains nucleate around parent grain.



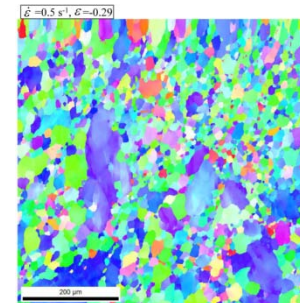
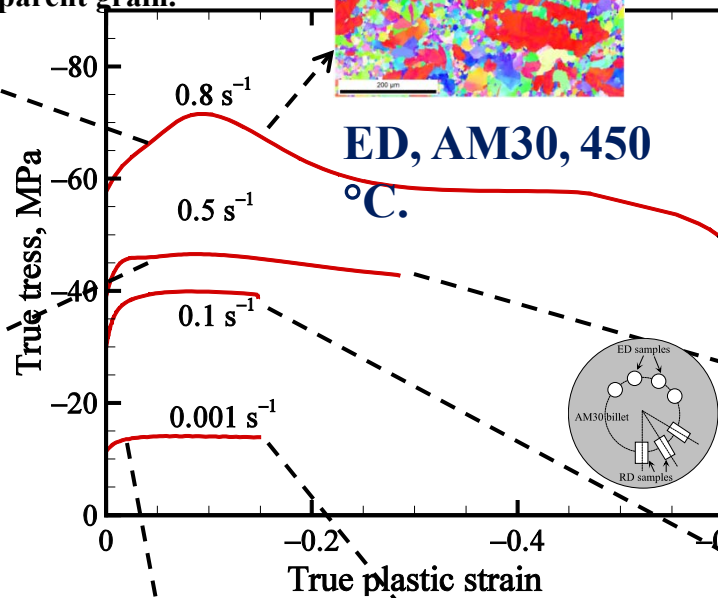
Twinning sweeps parent grains.



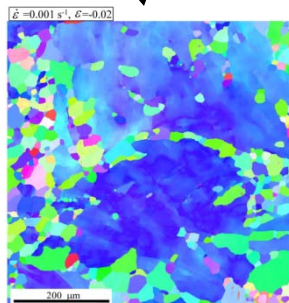
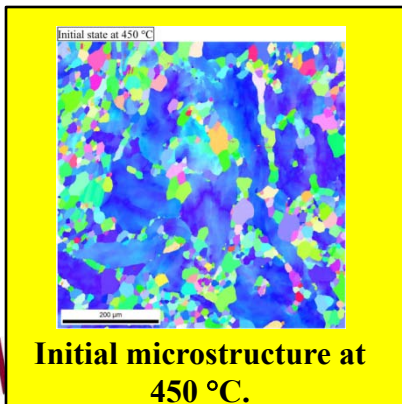
DRX grains invade twinned parent grains.



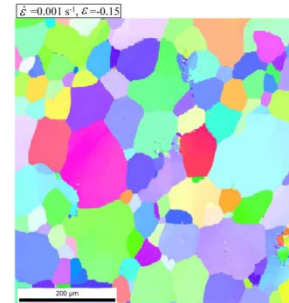
Twinning originates in parent grains and DRX grains grow along twin boundaries.



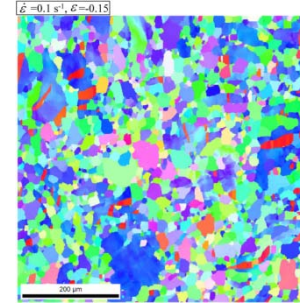
Twins totally eliminated by DRX grain growth.



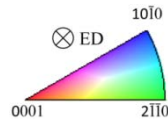
Grain boundaries begin to migrate.



Grains impinge and ripen.

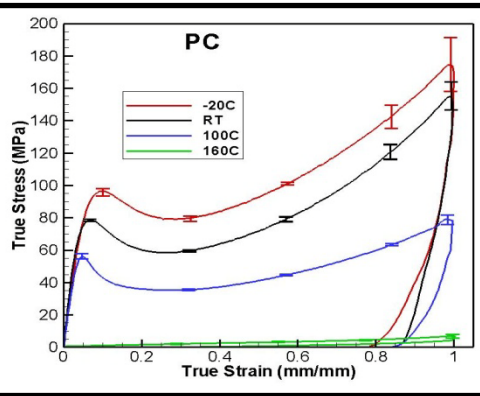


Thin lenticular {10-12} twins (in red) appear.



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# Methodology Applied to Model Mechanical Response of Polymers



EXPERIMENTAL DATA

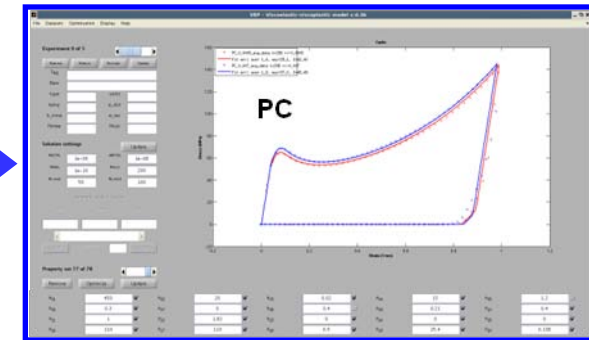
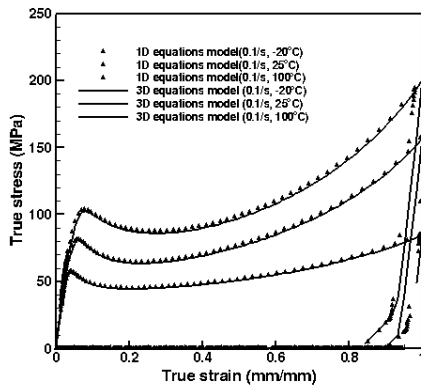
ISV MODEL

3-D Constitutive Equations  
+ Numerical Integration Procedure

fitting algorithm developed  
for MATLAB

1-D Constitutive  
Equations

MODEL PARAMETERS  
CALIBRATION TOOL



\* Impact Problem (ABAQUS Explicit)

FEA

Numerical Implementation  
in FEM Codes



# Highlights of Natural Fiber Research

## *Chemical Fiber Retting and Inorganic Nanoparticle Impregnation*

