



# Analysis of Highly Correlated Datasets to Establish Processing-Structure-Property Relationships for Additively Manufactured Metals



## Workshop on Predictive Theoretical and Computational Approaches for Additive Manufacturing

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# Why AM?

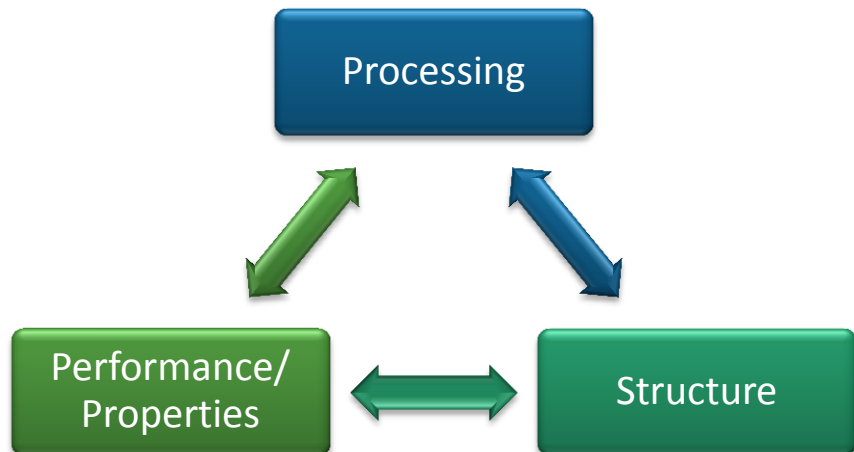


- Additive Manufacturing (AM)
  - Fabrication of net or near-net shape components from digital representation and feed-stock, typically layer by layer fashion
  - A.K.A “3D-printing”, DLMS, DMLM, EBM, etc.
- *Potential benefits*
  - *Near*: short lead time, little tooling required, small lots
  - *Far*: complex shapes, graded or tailored structure & properties, hybrid structures; *not possible* via conventional processing
- *Challenges*
  - Immature understanding of processing – structure – property links due to process complexity
  - Design rules, process specs lacking or non-existent

Transition of AM requires fundamental understanding of  
process – structure – performance links

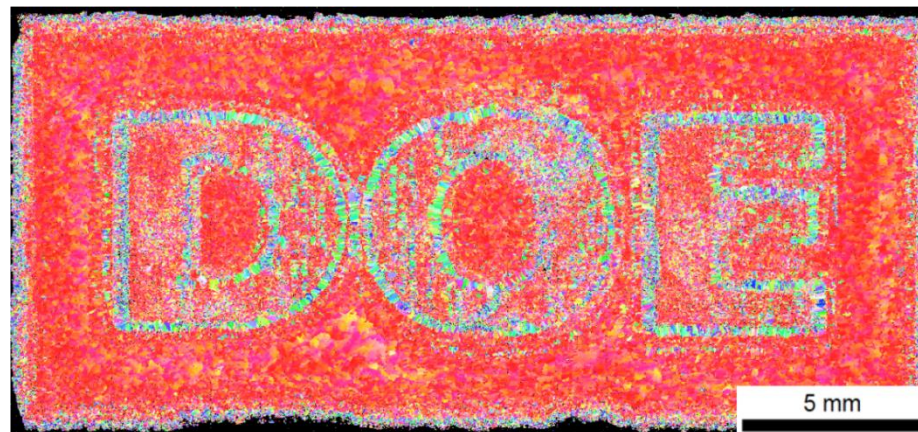


# Motivation & Overview



- AM complexity necessitates Integrated Computational Material Science & Engineering approach

- Paradigm allows for engineering & design of materials
- Same principals apply to Additive Manufacturing (AM)
- What's new: degree to which *local* processing state is controlled



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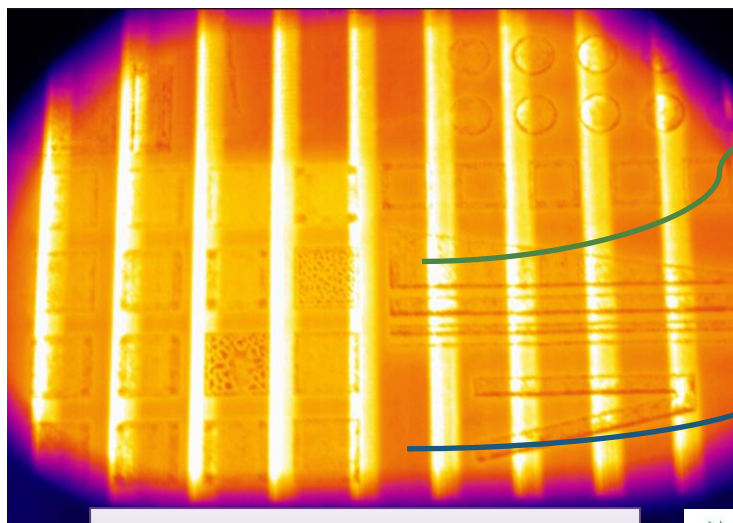
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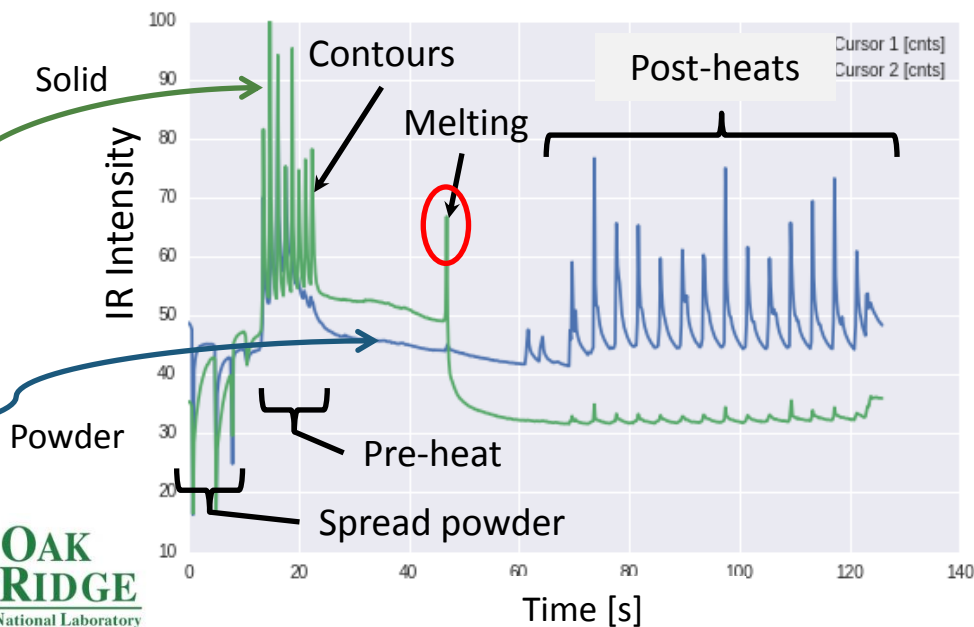
# Complexity of Metals AM



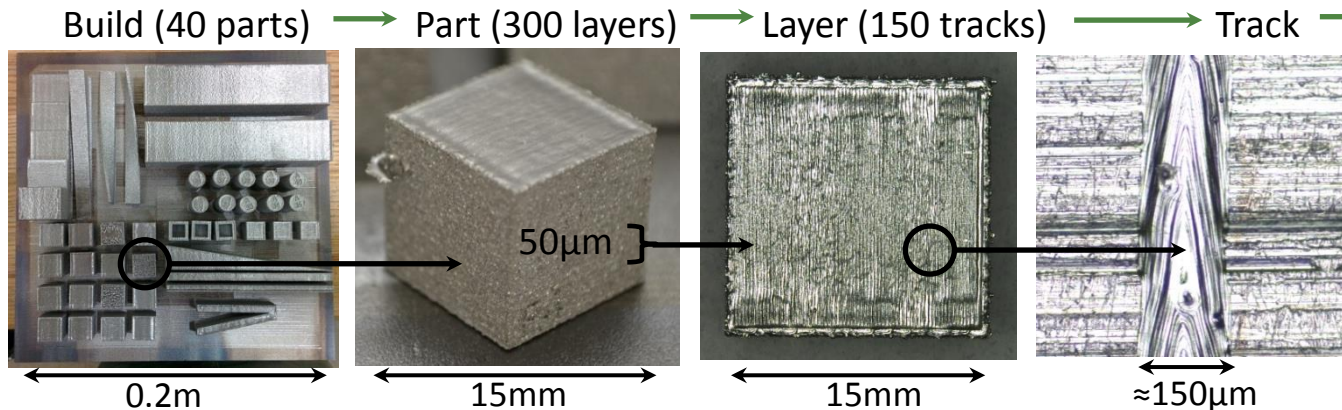
Temporal



Complex energy input & resulting thermal history



Spatial



Wide range of spatial scales, complex build can easily have 10km of track



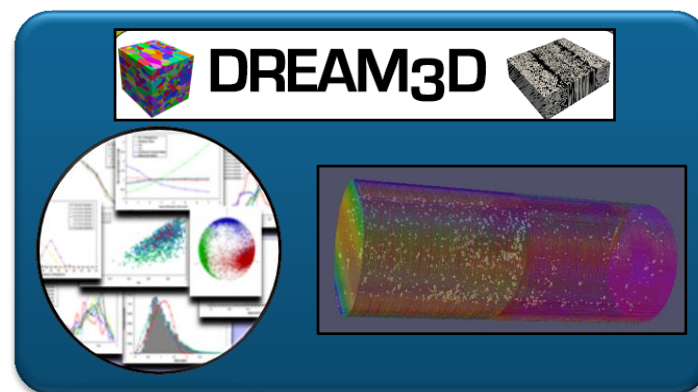
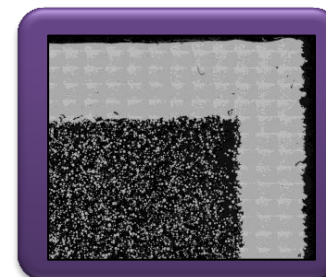
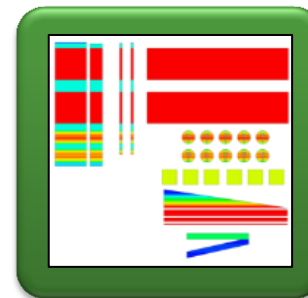




# Research Vision



1. Pedigreed process data generation
  - Accurate & complete description
2. Advanced material characterization
  - Describe process outcome
3. Data analysis & reduction:
  - From (terabytes of) data to actionable *information*





# Process Data

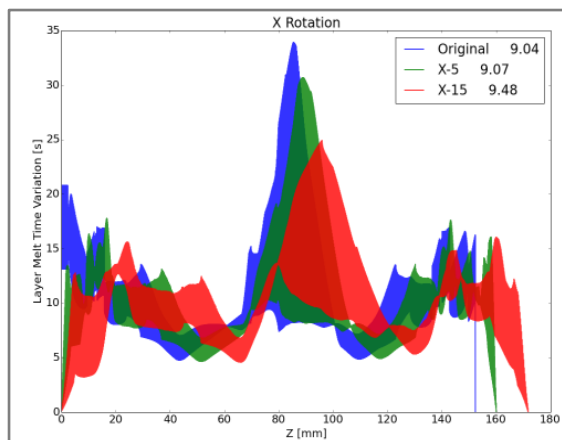
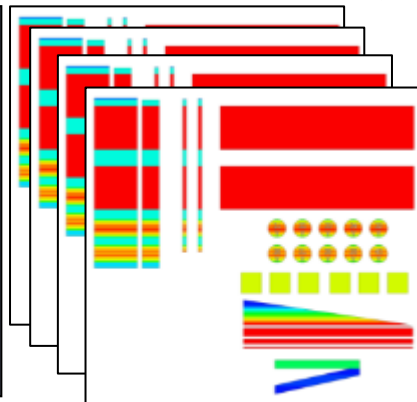


## Planning: process intent

Geometry (CAD)



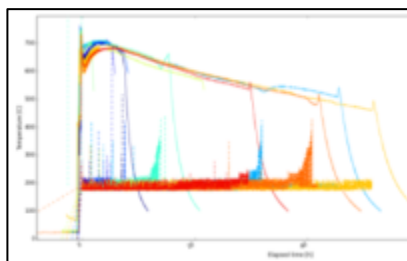
Process Condition Maps



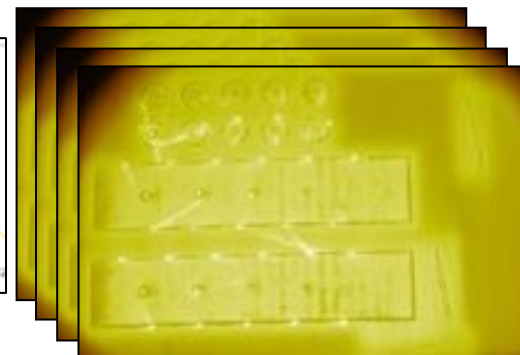
2D to 3D

## Execution: process reality

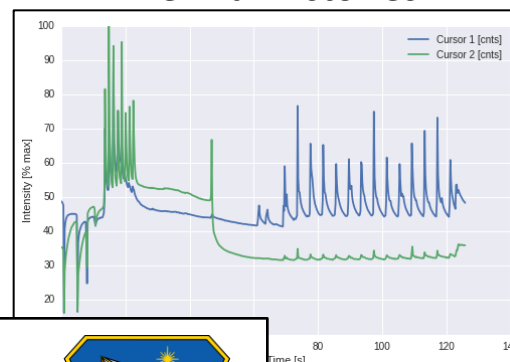
Log-files



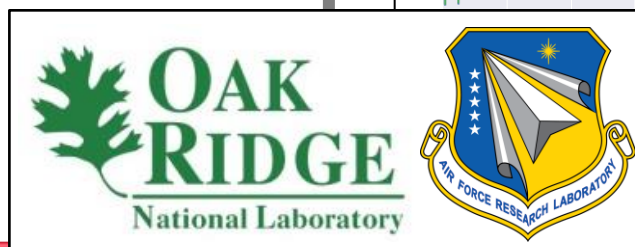
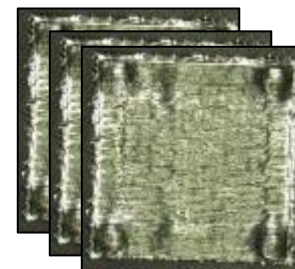
IR videos



Thermal Histories



In situ imaging for porosity



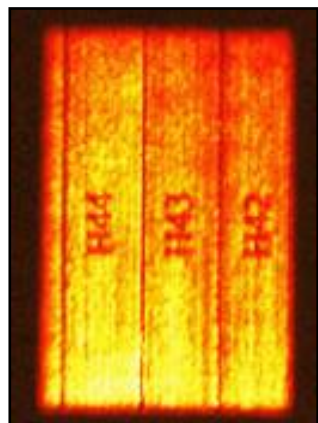
Detailed understanding and pedigreed description of the process; beyond 'knob settings'



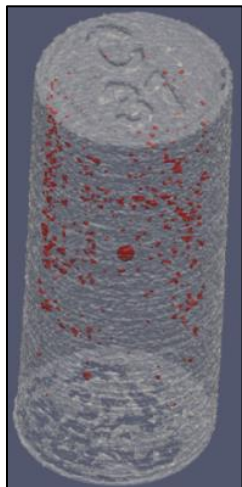
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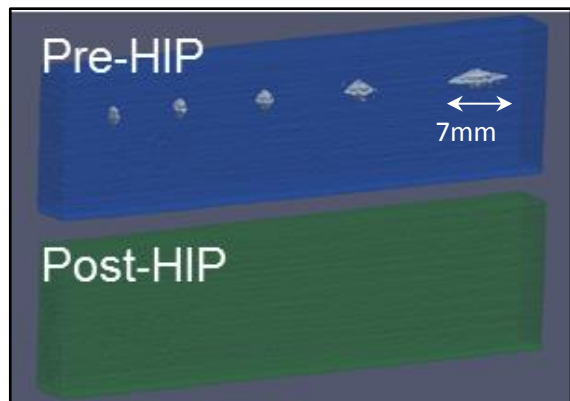
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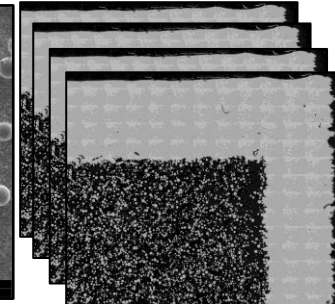
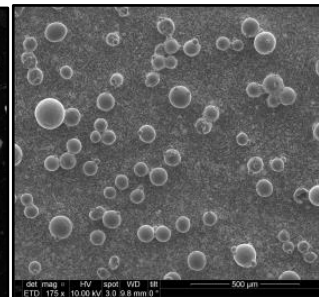
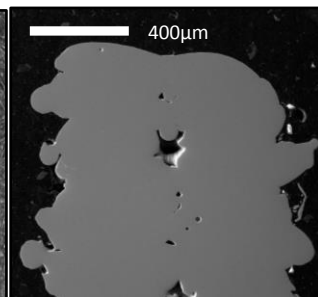
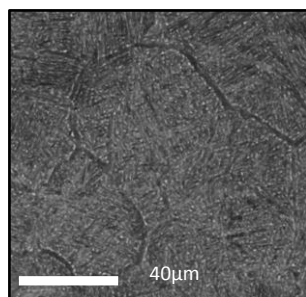
Ultrasound



X-ray, 2D & CT

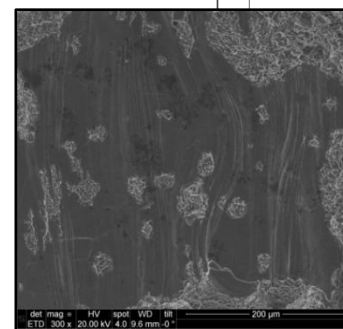
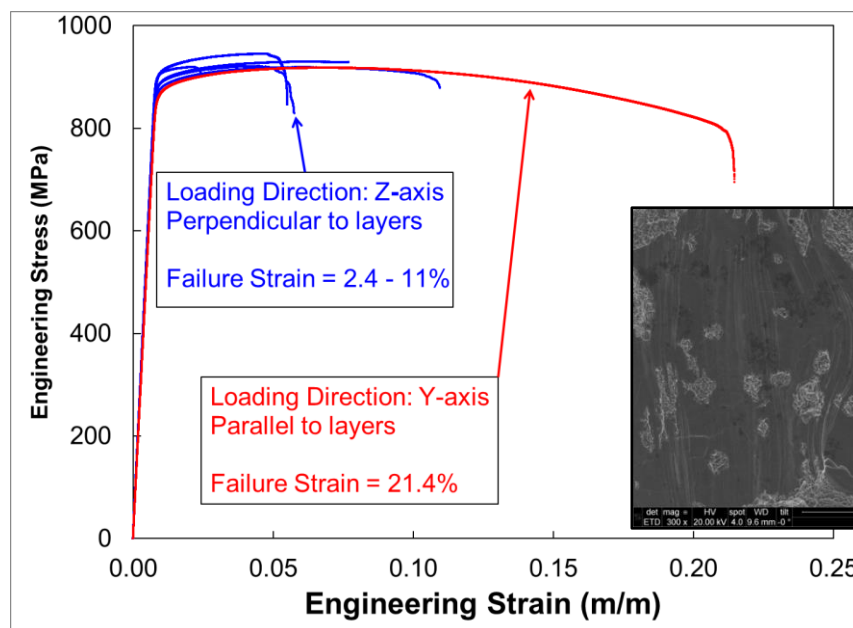


← Destructive →



Conventional Microscopy

Serial Sectioning



Capture material structure & properties

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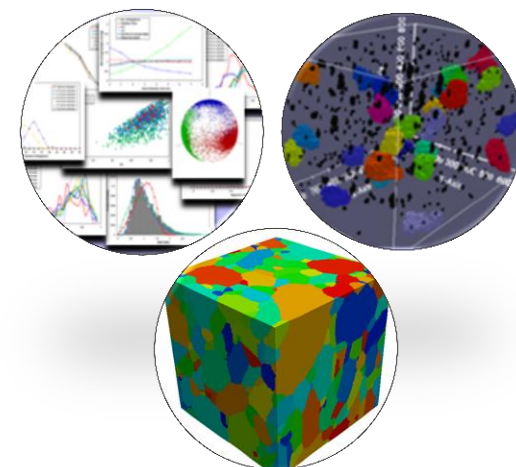




# Data Analysis & Reduction



- Combine/register planning, execution, & characterization data sets, model outputs
  - Establish processing → structure → properties correlations
  - “Zone” parts based on processing conditions
- Challenges:
  - Range of data modalities
  - Disparate spatial and temporal scales
  - Large datasets: 1TB per build
- *SIMPL*: open-source software library for dynamic, hierarchical management of spatial data  
*DREAM.3D*: extensible tool suite for analytics of the internal state of materials, built on SIMPL
- Infrastructure useful for other materials problems



From data to actionable information

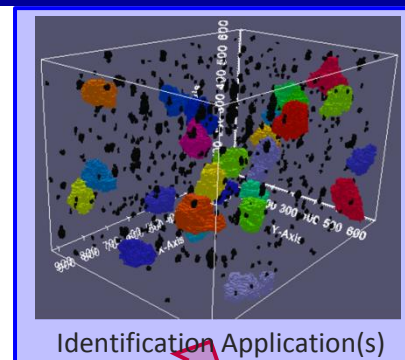
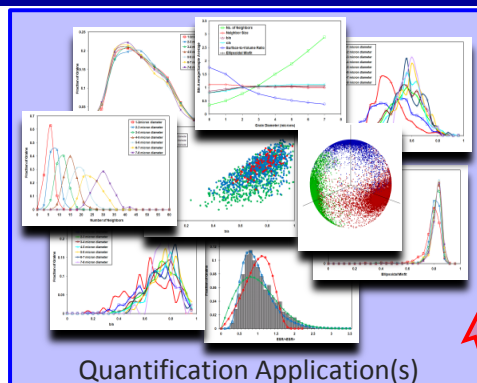
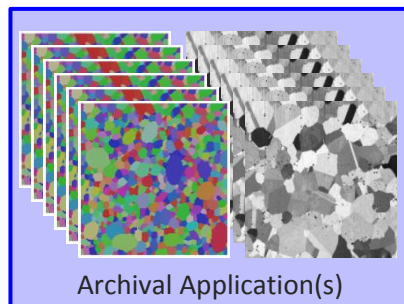




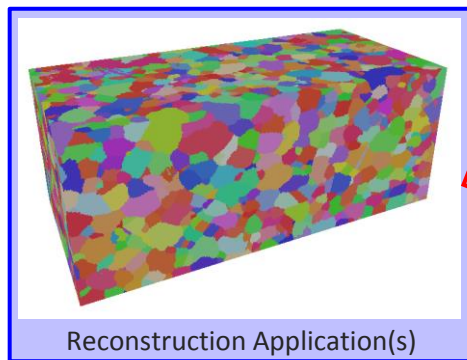
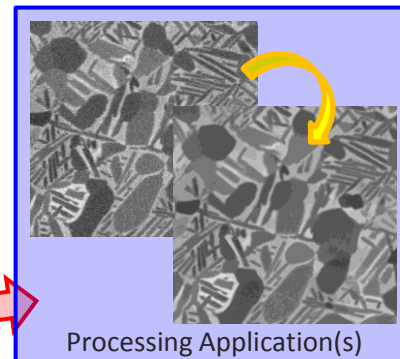
# DREAM.3D: An App Suite for Materials



\* Central box represents SIMPL as a broker/manager between applications



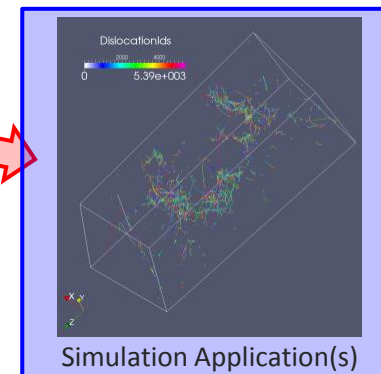
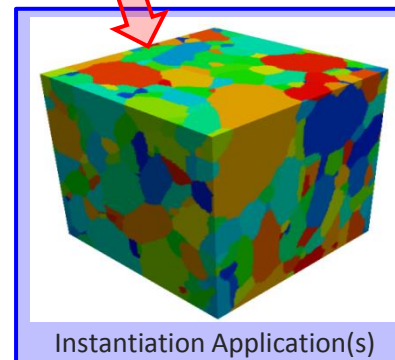
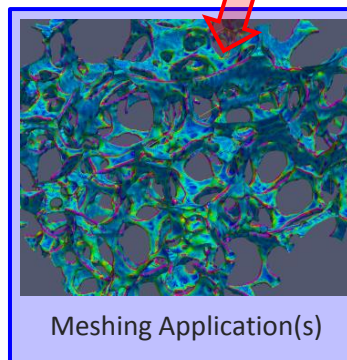
\* Blue boxes represent a suite of applications for specific processes



## SIMPL: Spatial Information Management Protocol Library

- Manages Current Object Versions
- Brokers Application Interaction
- Controls I/O
- Manages Digital History of Data

\* Images are example outputs from existing applications for specific processes



\* Red arrows represent the transfer of information to/from SIMPL to Application

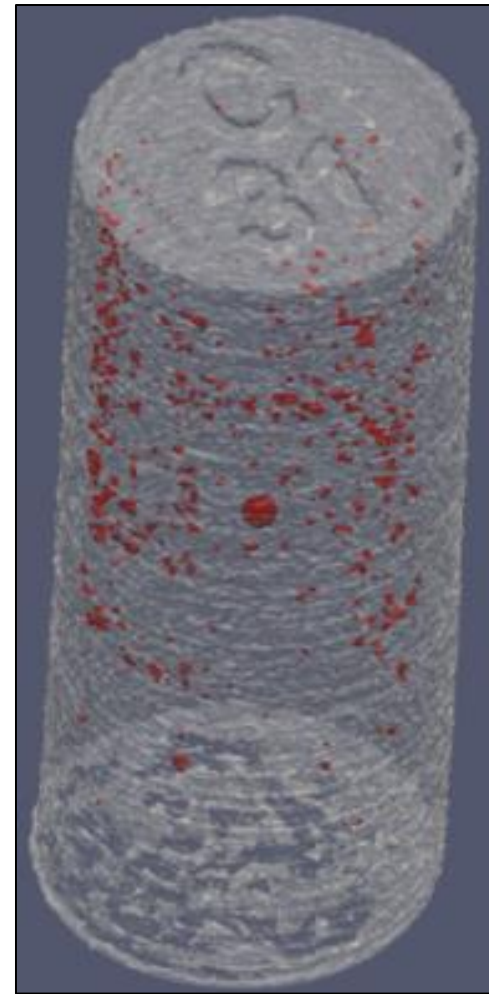
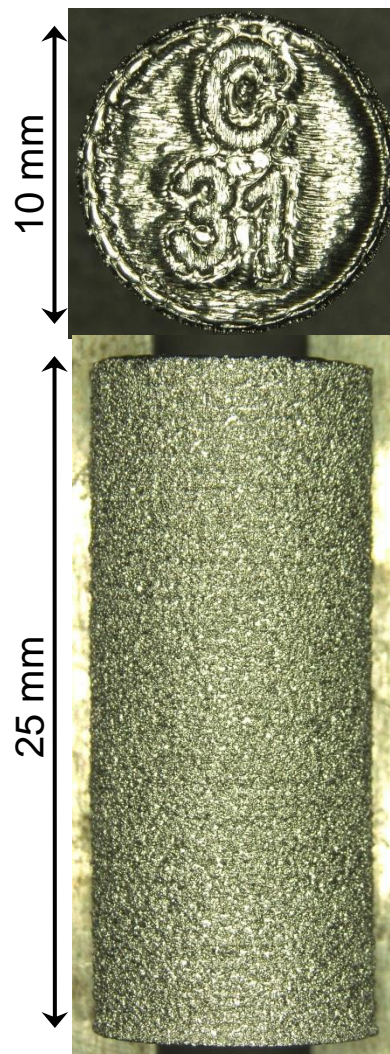
**SIMPL is material independent; Apps may be material & data-type dependent**



# Data Fusion Example

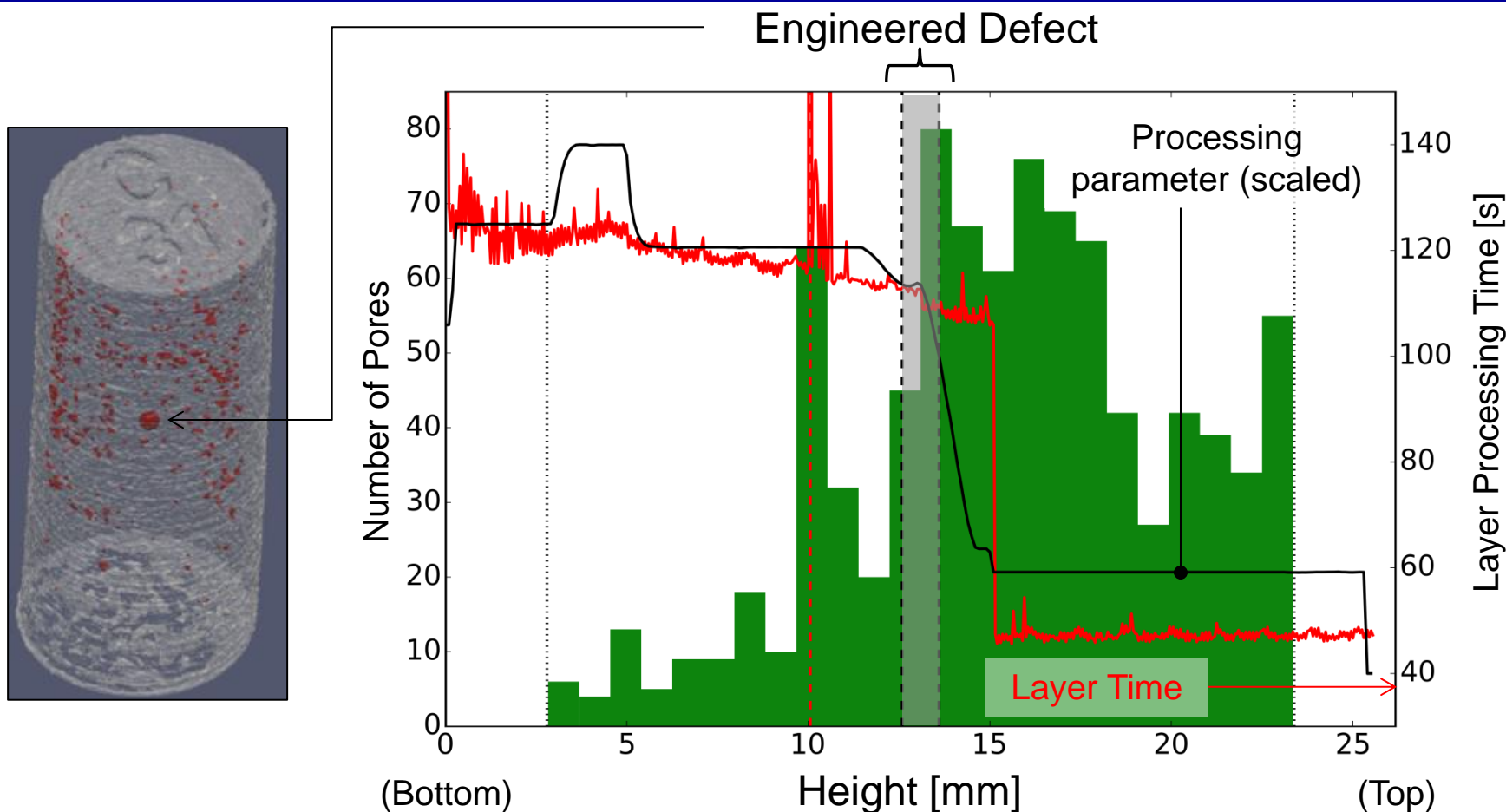


- Preliminary analysis
  - Motivating problem
  - Significant manual efforts for data registration
- Example of data fusion across
  - Processing parameter maps
  - Machine log-files
  - X-ray computed tomography
- Titanium-6Al-4V e-beam powder bed fusion @





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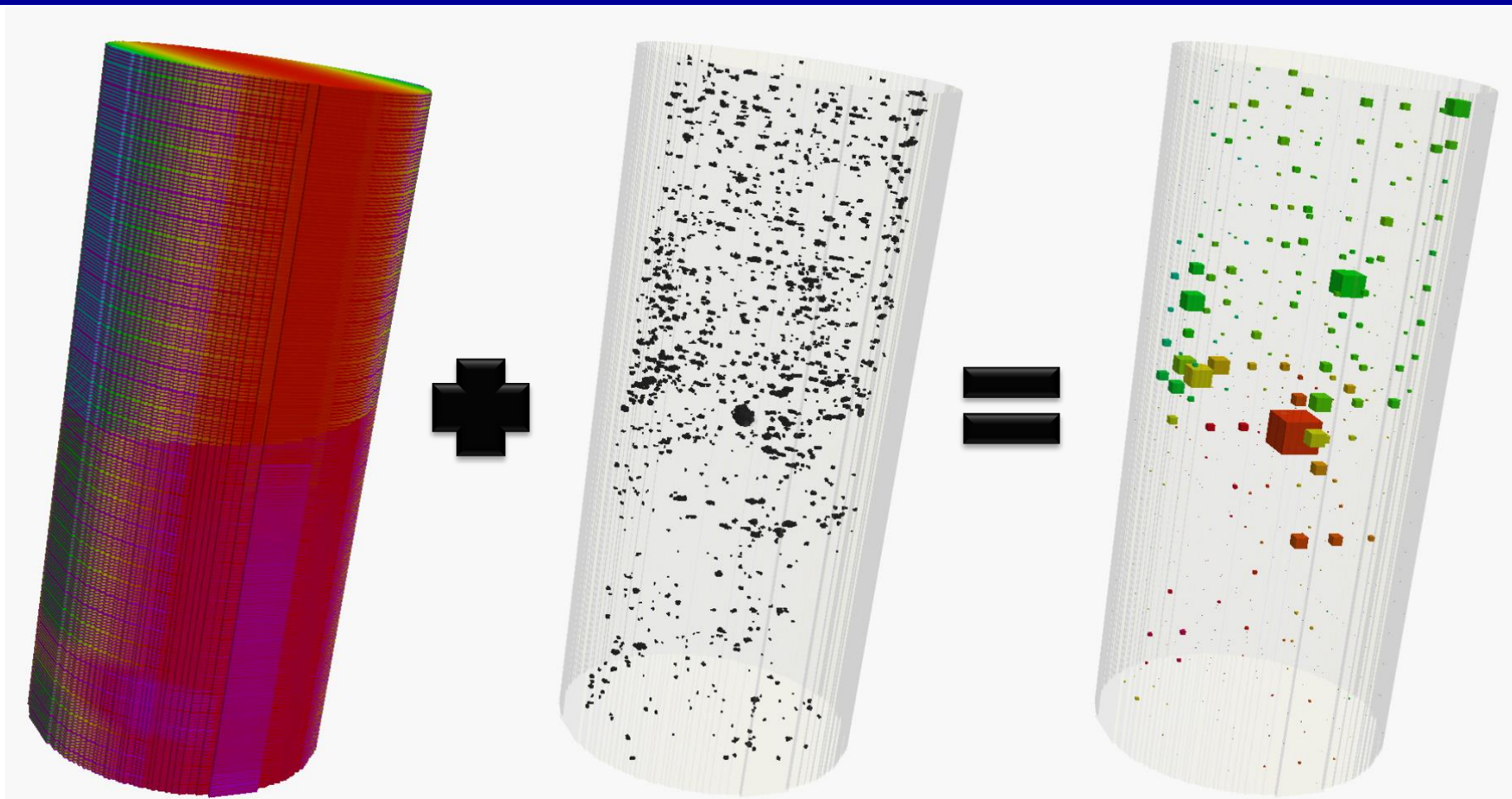


1. X-ray CT: Outcome, actual structure: porosity
2. Log-file: Execution, process anomaly
3. Parameter Maps: Planning, parameter changes





# Fully Fused Data



Melt Current

CT data

Size → Pore vol. frac.  
Color → Average current





# Summary



- Establishing ICMSE tools for digital data management for AM
- Establish process-structure-property links to:
  - Enable “Design for AM”
  - Digital data to address process specification challenges



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