

**Research-oriented
Project/Master topics in
Nanomechanics and new Materials
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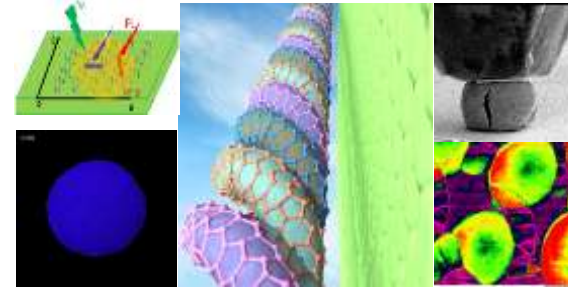
- Nanomechanics
- Interface mechanics
- Advanced mechanics

16 PhD students in 2020



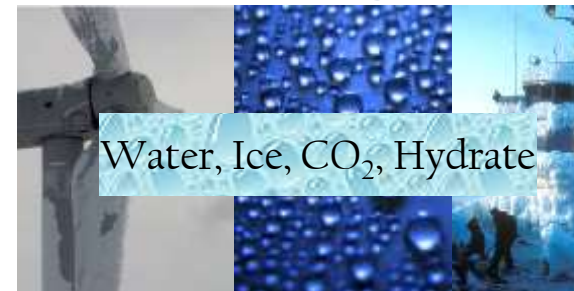
~ 30 international journal papers in 2019

Nanostructured materials



Advanced Functional Materials (2019)
Applied Materials Today (2019)
Small (2019)

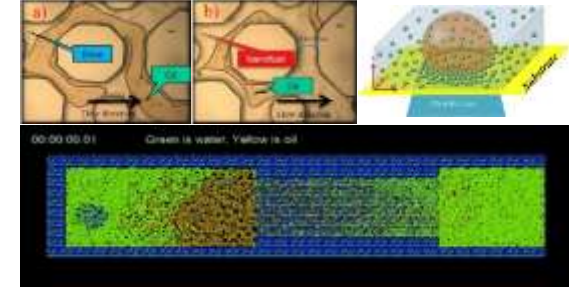
Surface Design



Water, Ice, CO₂, Hydrate

Materials Horizons (2019)
Soft Matter (2019)
Nanoscale (2019)
Chemical Engineering J (2019)

Nano EOR



Environ Sci Nano (2019)
Phys Chem Chem Phys (2019)
AIP advances (2019)

Fracture Mechanics
Hydrogen embrittlement
Advanced mechanics



Mat Sci Eng A (2019)
Engineering Failure Analysis (2019)
E J Mechanics A (2019)
Engineering Fracture Mechanics (2019)

List of project/master Topics

- Data-driven computational mechanics
- Predictive additive manufacturing
 - Development of novel patterns
 - Machine learning based thermal field predictions
 - Digital twinning of additive manufacturing
- Existing gas pipelines for future hydrogen transport? – modelling of hydrogen embrittlement

Galileo Galilei (1638)

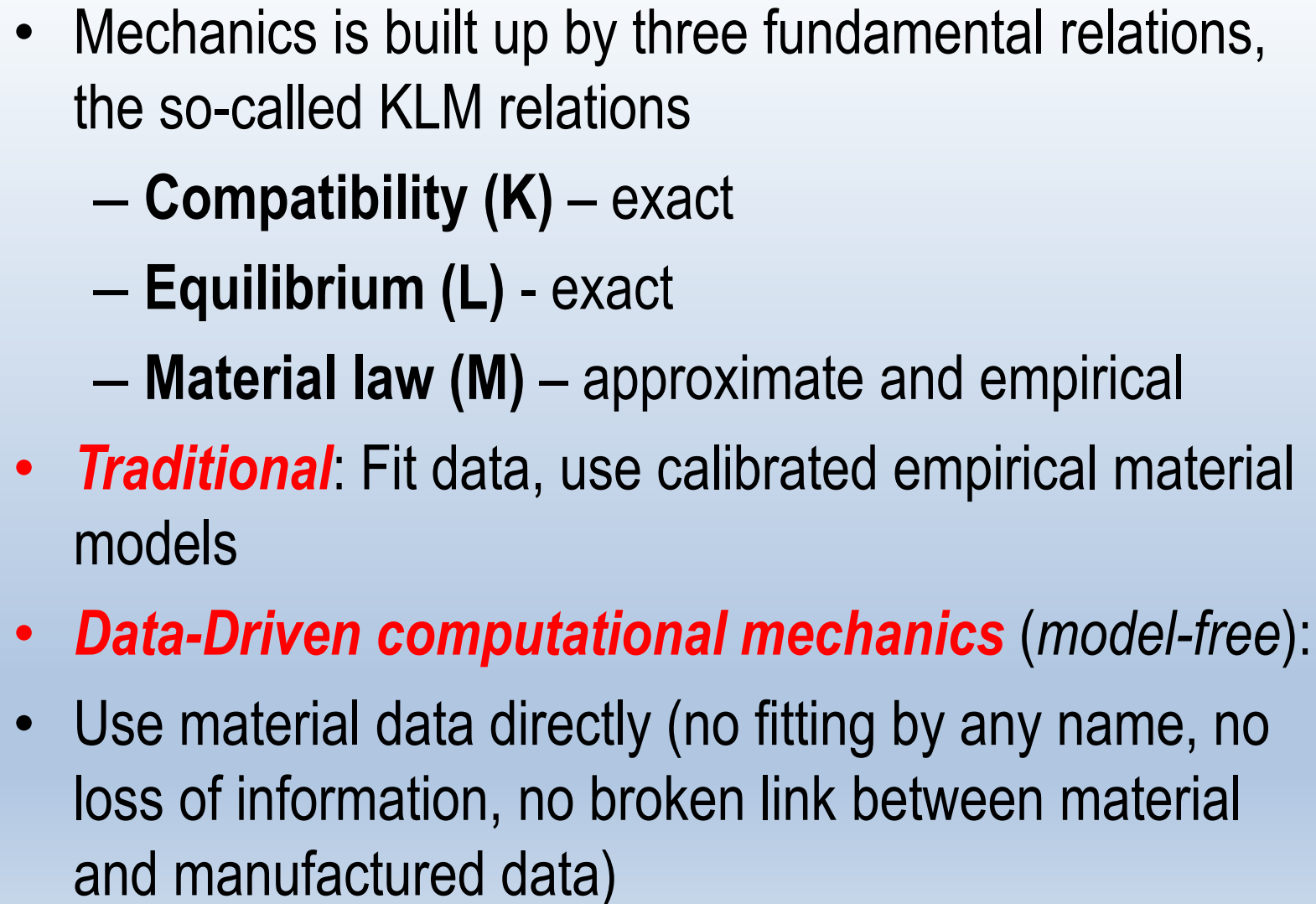
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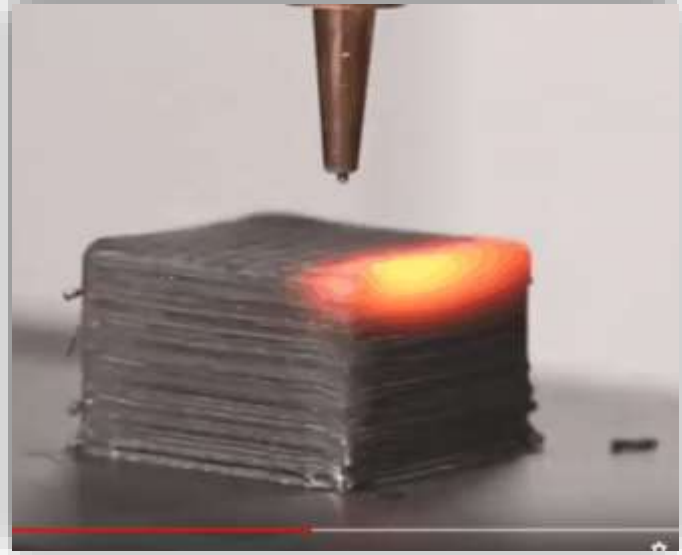
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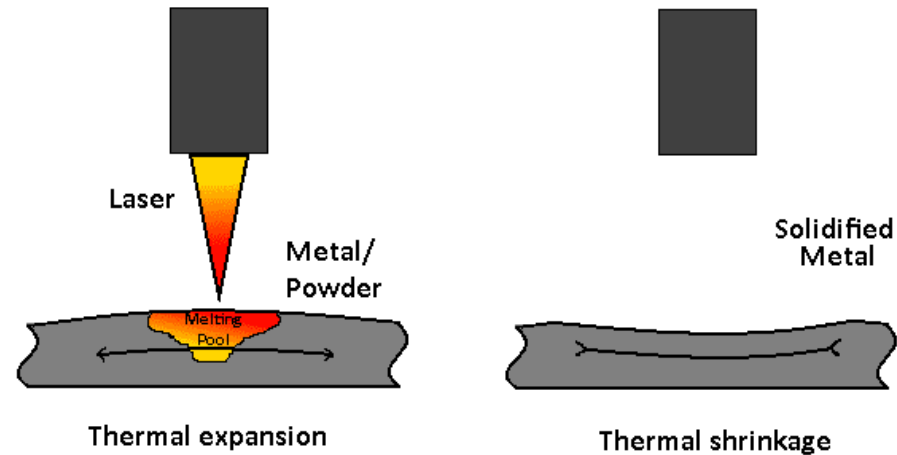
Project/master study in Data-driven computational mechanics

- Literature survey
- Familiar with data-driven codes
- Repetition of literature examples
- Further literature study
- Modification of the data-driven codes
- Solving of relevant engineering problems

Additive manufacturing (AM)



The future manufacturing technology



- High temperature gradient
- High heating and cooling rate

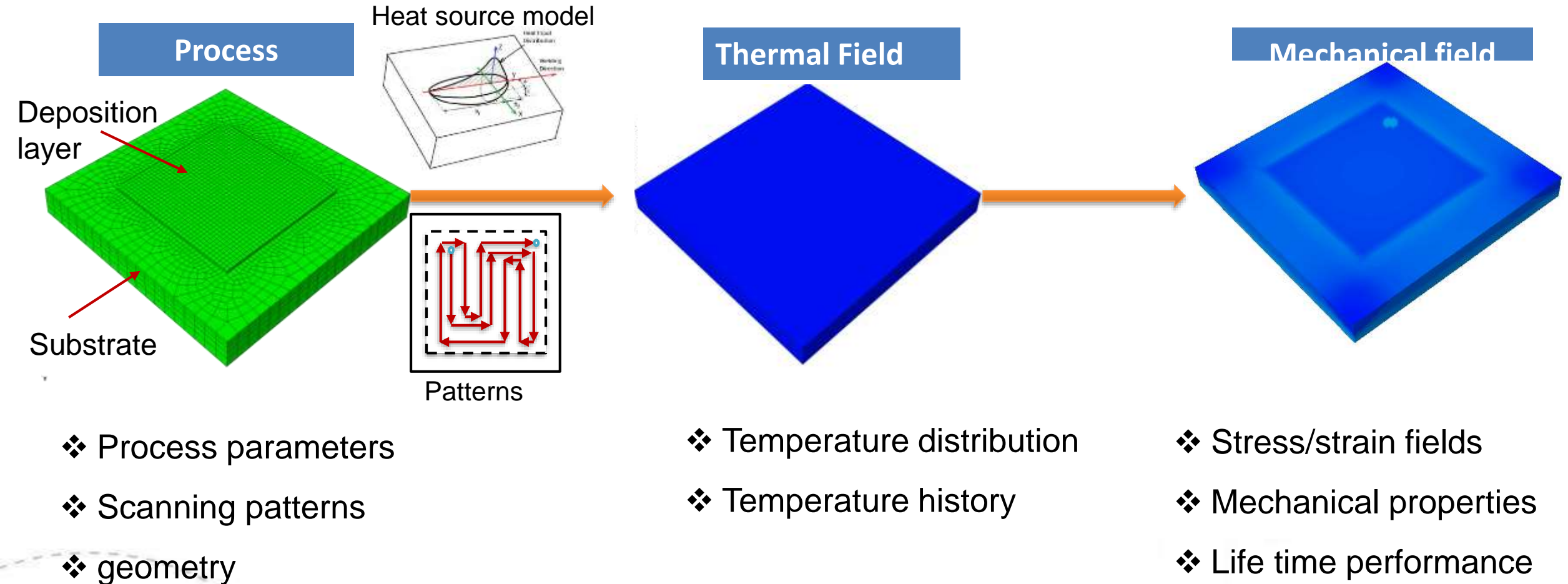


- ❖ Distortion
- ❖ Residual stresses
- ❖ Cracking

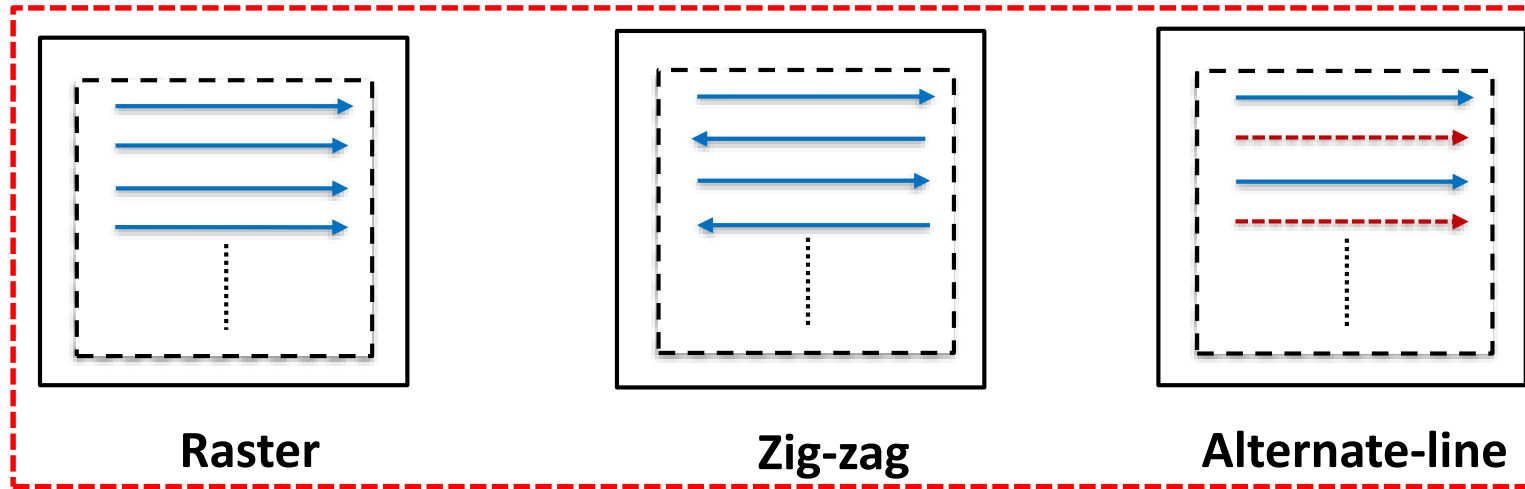
AM has been transiting from demonstrative prototypes to functional products that are impacting a wide variety of sectors, from biomedical, electronic, and automotive to renewable energy industries

Predictive AM Modelling

Based on many years thermal-mechanical-material modelling experience, NTNU Nanomechanical Lab is targeting the so-called Predictive AM



Traditional deposition patterns in AM



Direction-parallel

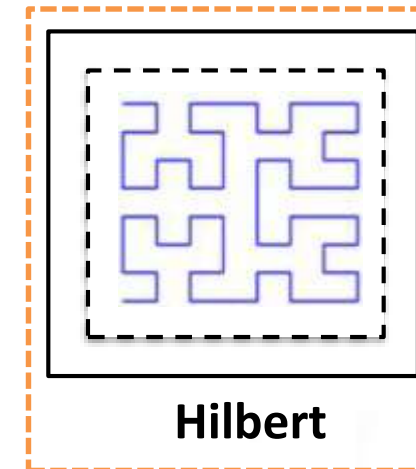
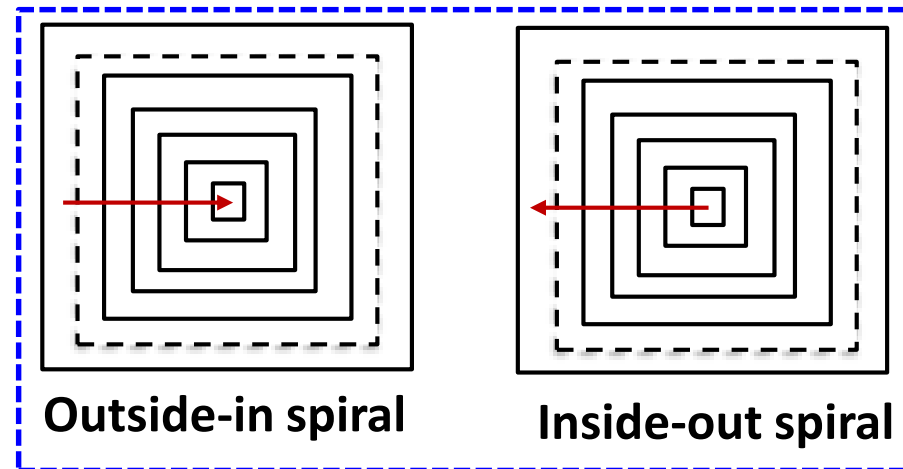
Patterns

- ❖ Not Continuous
- ❖ High residual stress and distortion

Contour-parallel

Patterns

- ❖ Not weave pattern

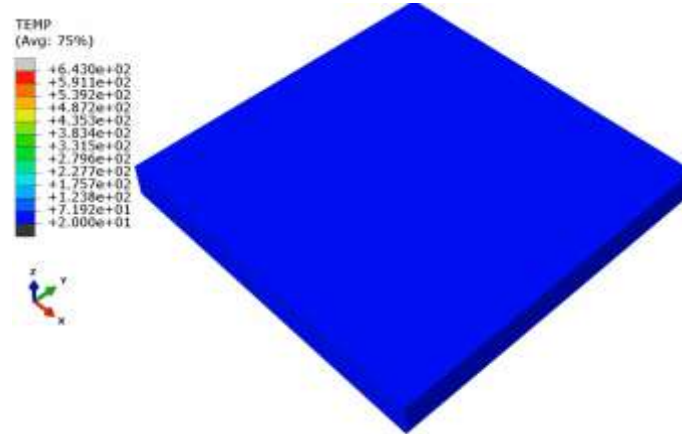
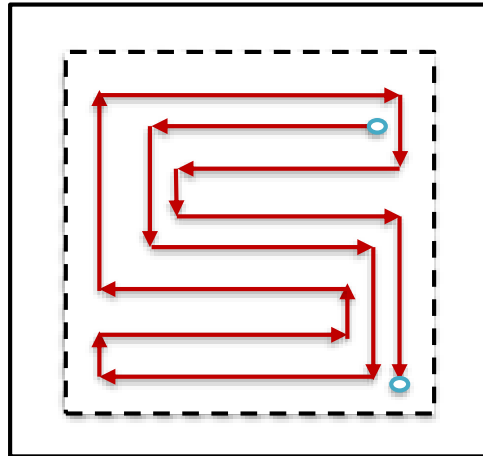


Fractal

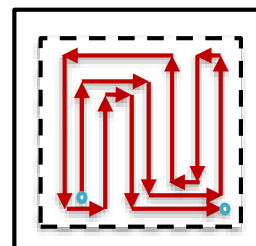
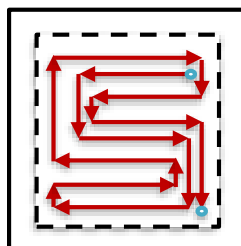
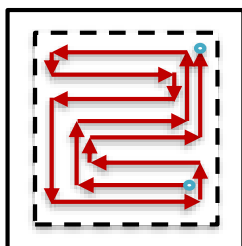
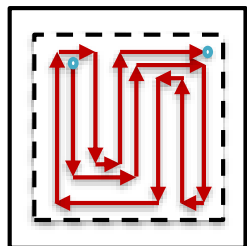
- ❖ Many pattern elements

Developing novel deposition patterns

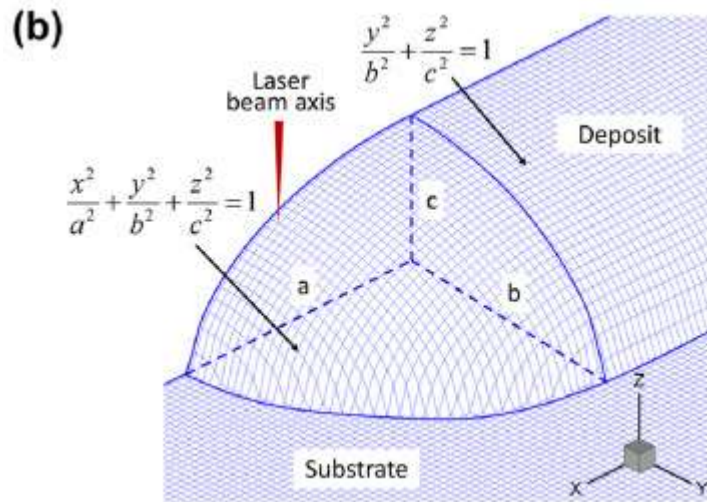
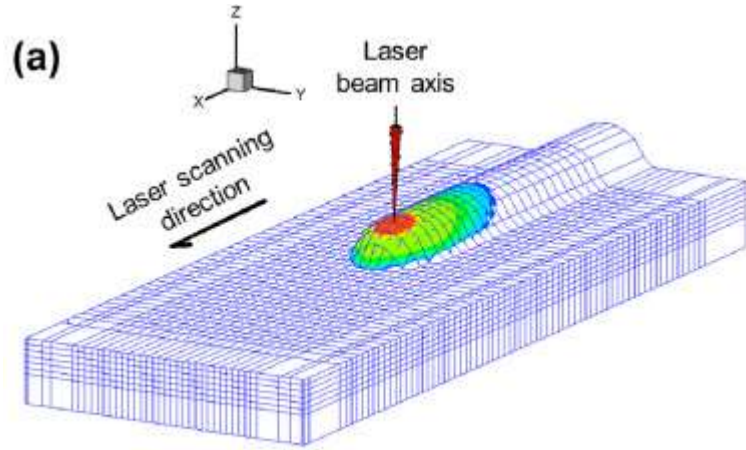
Aim: to reduce the residual stresses



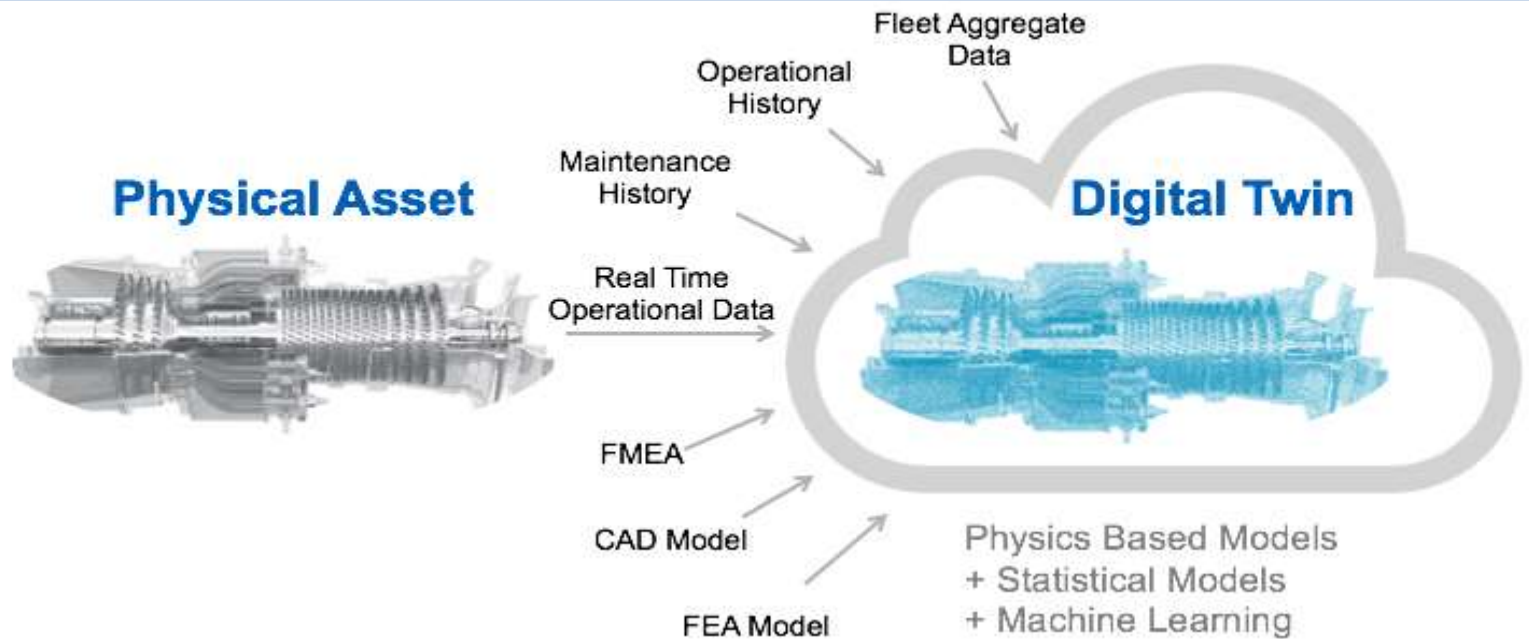
- ❖ Continuous
- ❖ Weave pattern (Multi-layer)
- ❖ Less pattern elements
- ❖ Alternate pass direction
- ❖ Adjustable pass length



Digital Twin of AM soon a reality



- Digital twin of AM does not yet exist
- Extensive research world wide!
- You can contribute to add building blocks of a digital twin to AM

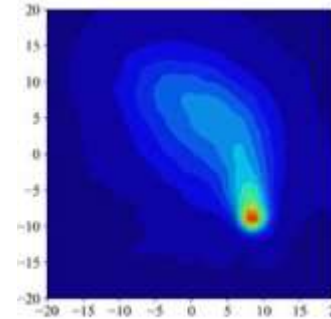
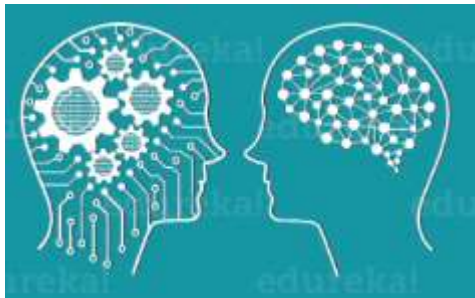
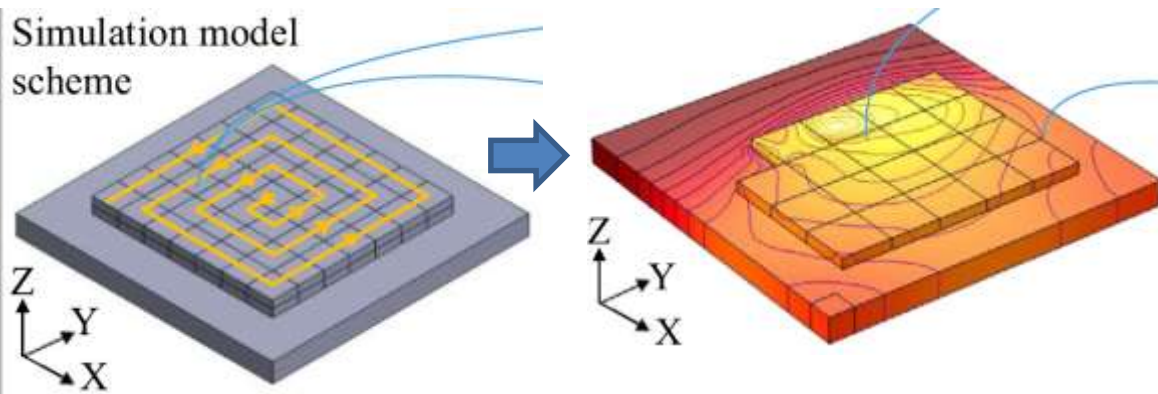


Predicting AM Thermal field for any geometry ant scanning pattern by FEM+ML

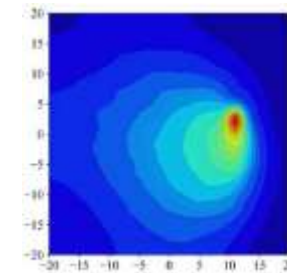
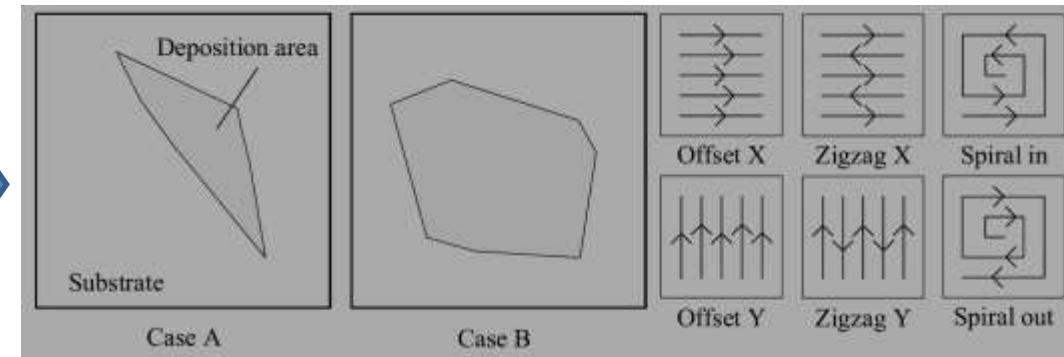
- Residual stresses and final material properties are controlled by the thermal field
- If we can predict the thermal fields, we can link to the mechanical properties
- For arbitrary geometry, it is very time consuming
- Machine learning plays an important role here

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Simulation model scheme



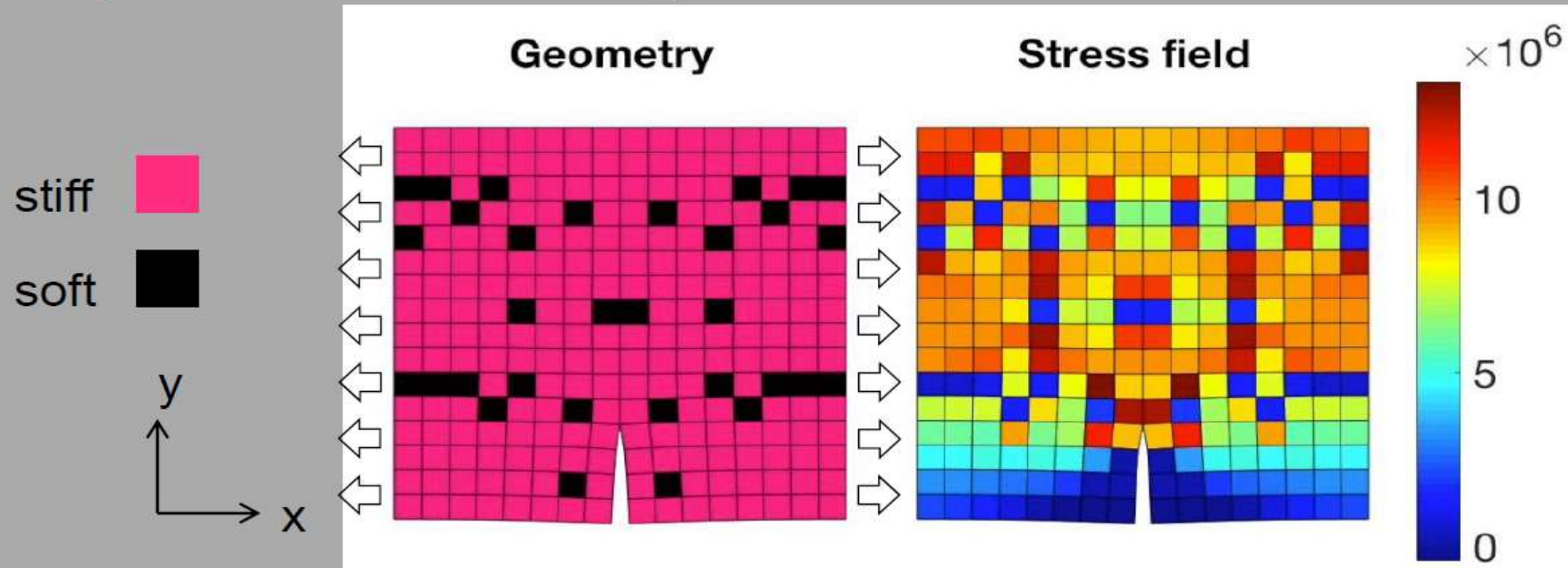
Case A: Prediction Spiral out



Case B: Prediction Zigzag Y

FEM+ML for Material Design

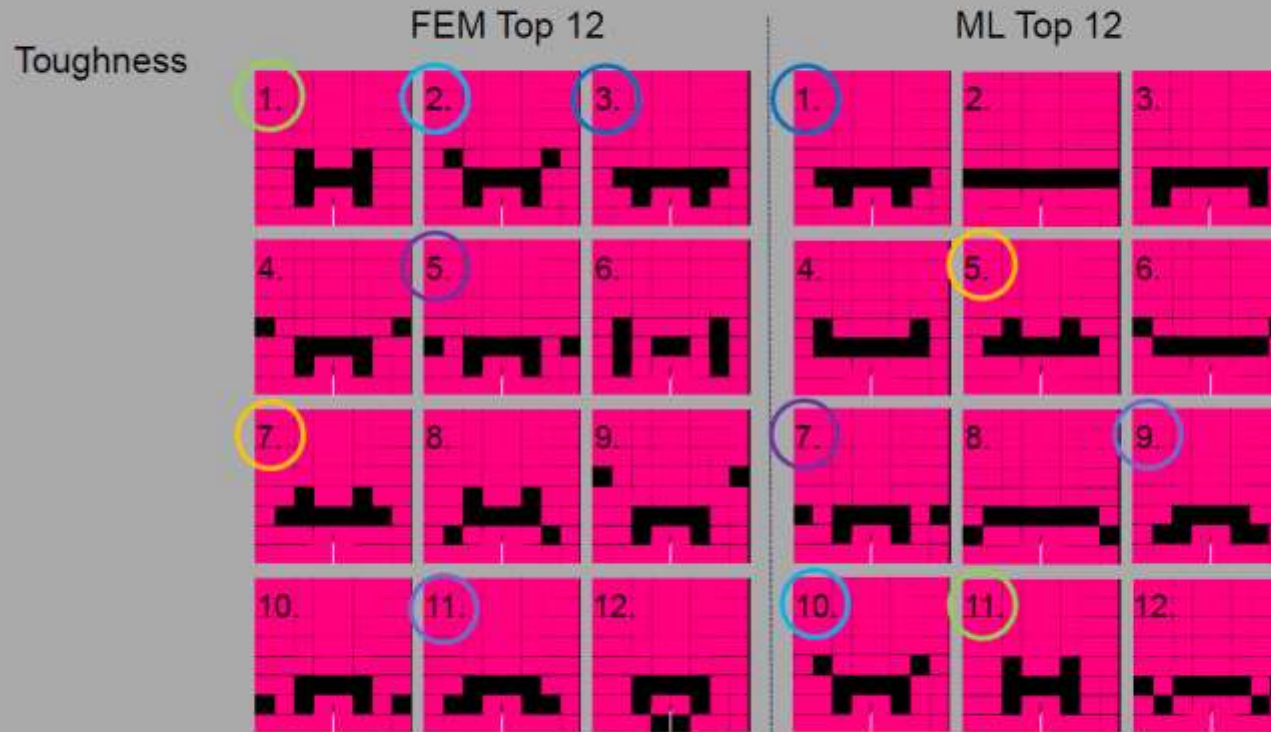
How to distribute stiff and soft elements to achieve the highest toughness for the composite under **Mode I fracture**?



- Number of elements: 128 (half)
- Geometry constraint: 12.5 % soft
- Number of combinations: $\sim 10^{20}$
- Computational cost: 20 samples/sec
- Brute-force: **158 billion years**

FEM and Machine Learning

Prediction of top performing geometries

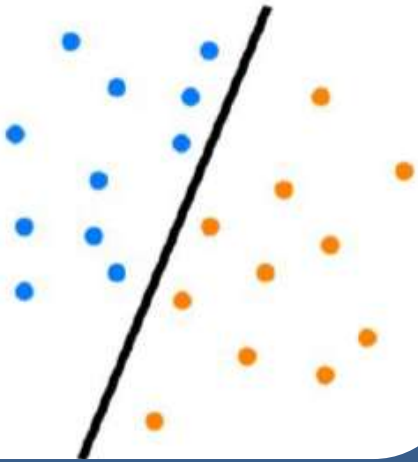


- Without knowing any mechanics, without even knowing that the geometry has a given edge crack, the ML model discovers the kind of pattern that leads to high-performance scores

Three types of learning

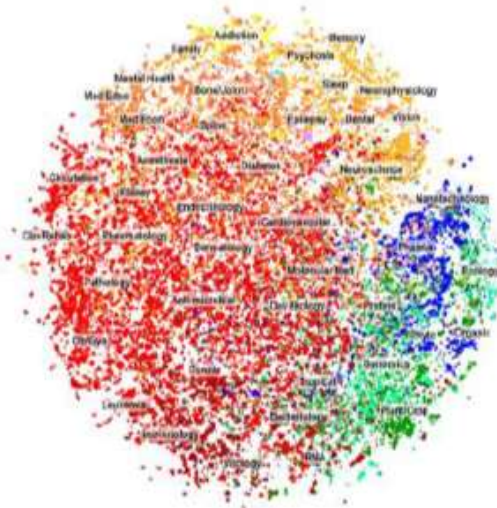
Supervised

Learning
known
patterns



Unsupervised

Learning
unknown
patterns



Reinforcement

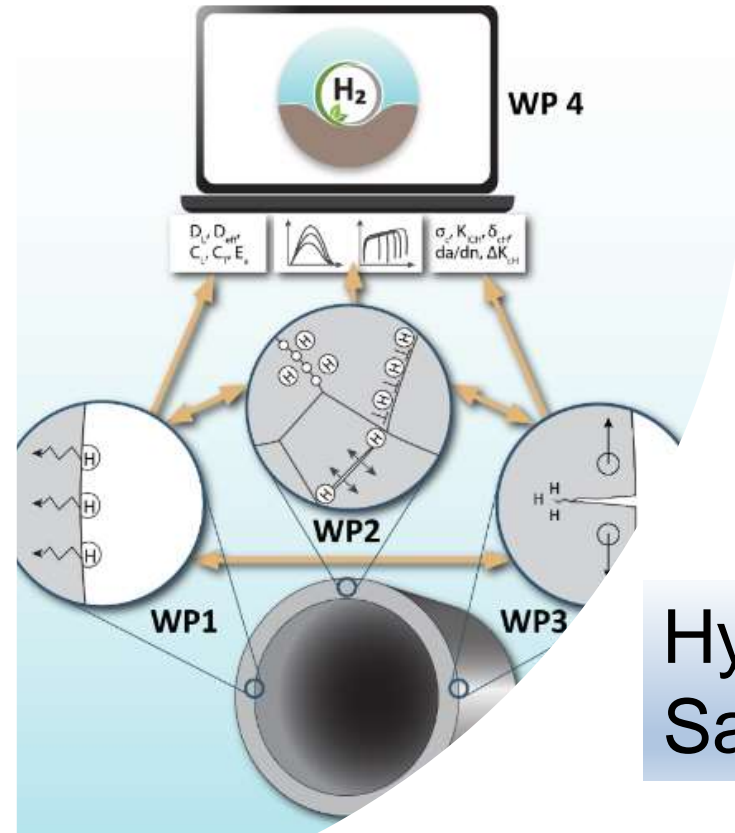
Generating data
Learning patterns



Project/master in predictive additive manufacturing

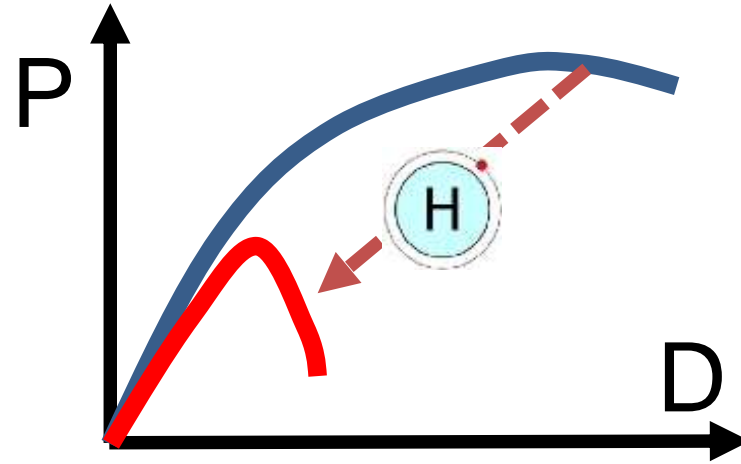
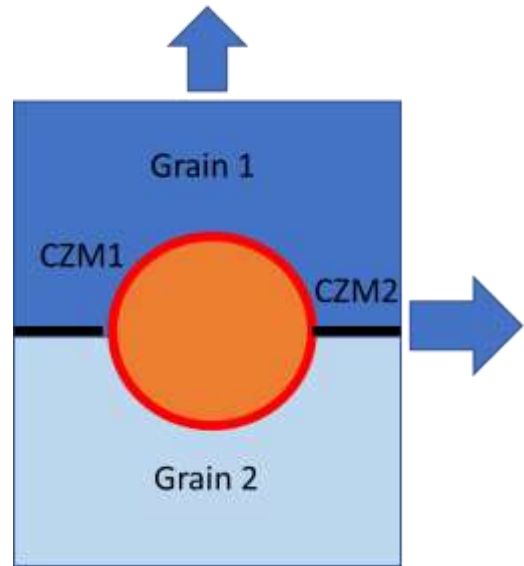
- Project
 - Literature study on AM
 - Learning simple FEM modelling of additive manufacturing process
 - Literature study of ML, basic knowledge of Tensorflow
- Master
 - FEM simulations of AM
 - Database building for training with ML
 - Prediction and Verification

Safe Pipelines for Hydrogen Transport (HyLINE) (2019-2022)



Challenges of transporting H₂ instead of gas from Norway to Europe?

Predicting of Hydrogen embrittlement



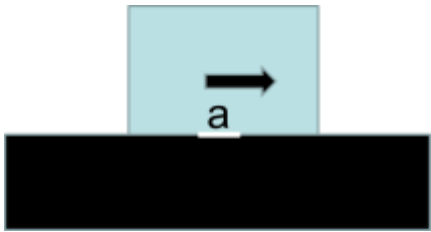
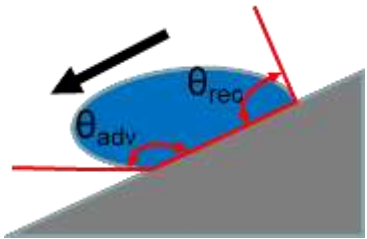
- ABAQUS
- Cohesive zone model (CZM)
- Industrial relevant project

Hydrogen embrittlement (HE): Ductile materials under clean environment becomes **brittle** under H environment

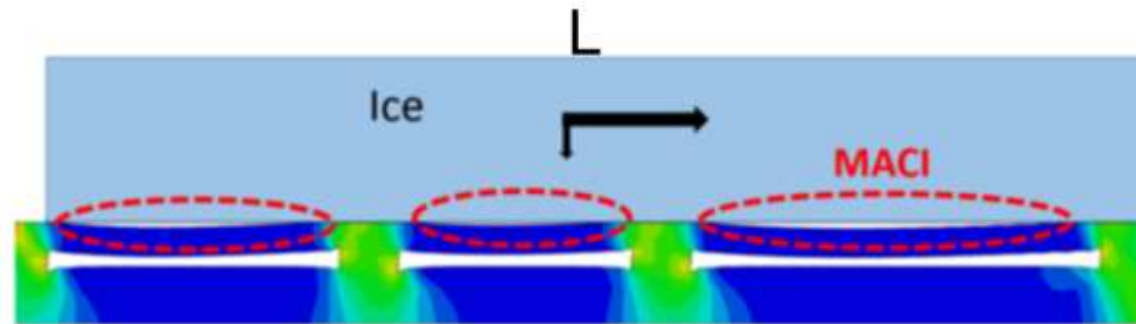
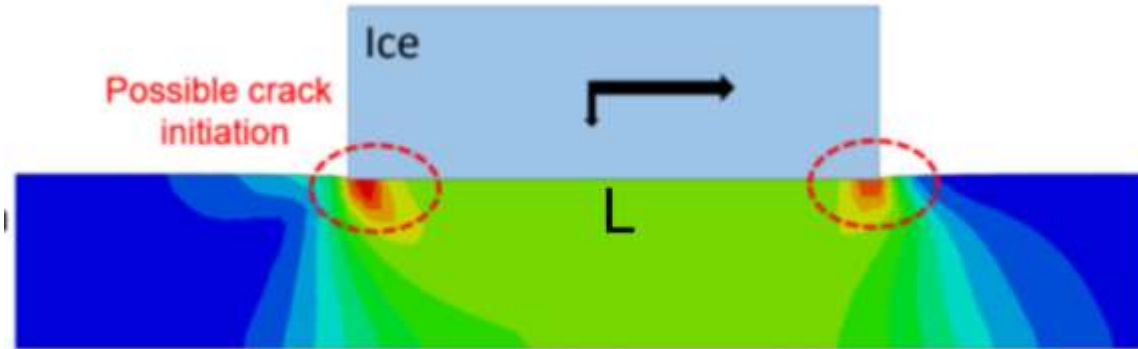
Other Topics

- We have several ongoing research projects financed by the Norwegian research council and Norwegian industrial partners, related to nanomechanics, multiscale modelling and new materials using both experimental methods and numerical approaches.

How to Lower the Ice Adhesion?



Fracture Mechanics-based design to lower the ice adhesion



Macroscopic Crack Initiators (MACI)

- **5** ongoing research-projects on anti-icing related projects by the Norwegian research council.
- Many exciting master topics for both continuum mechanics-oriented or nanotechnology students
- Both numerical or experimental methods

$$\tau_c = \sqrt{\frac{E^* G}{\pi a \Lambda}}$$

Interface Youngs modulus

Surface energy

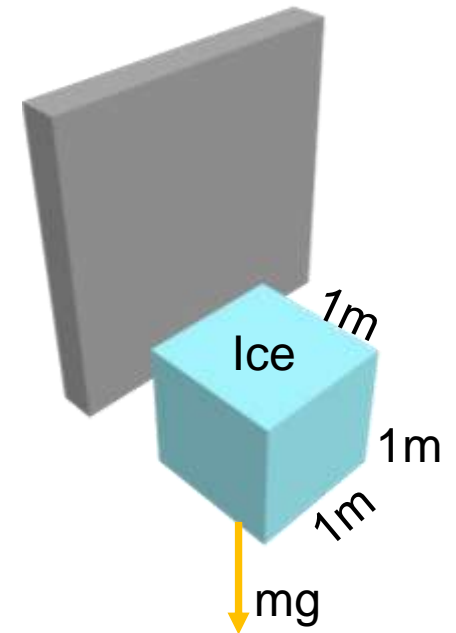
Crack size

Boundary dependent constant

How Low is Low Enough?

$$\tau_c = \frac{\rho L^3 g}{L^2} = \rho L g$$

- Metallic untreated surfaces: $> \sim 600$ kPa.
- Non-textured fluorinated surfaces: $\geq \sim 200$ kPa
- Icephobic surfaces: ≤ 100 kPa
- Low ice adhesion surface: ≤ 60 kPa
- US Navy wanted: ≤ 30 kPa
- NML: Super-low ice adhesion surfaces (SLIAS) ≤ 10 kPa
- NML: lowest: ~ 1 kPa without surface additives



NML produced world's lowest ice adhesion surfaces based on fracture mechanics theory

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