Variational Problems in Mechanics and the Link between Microstructure and Macroscopic Behavior

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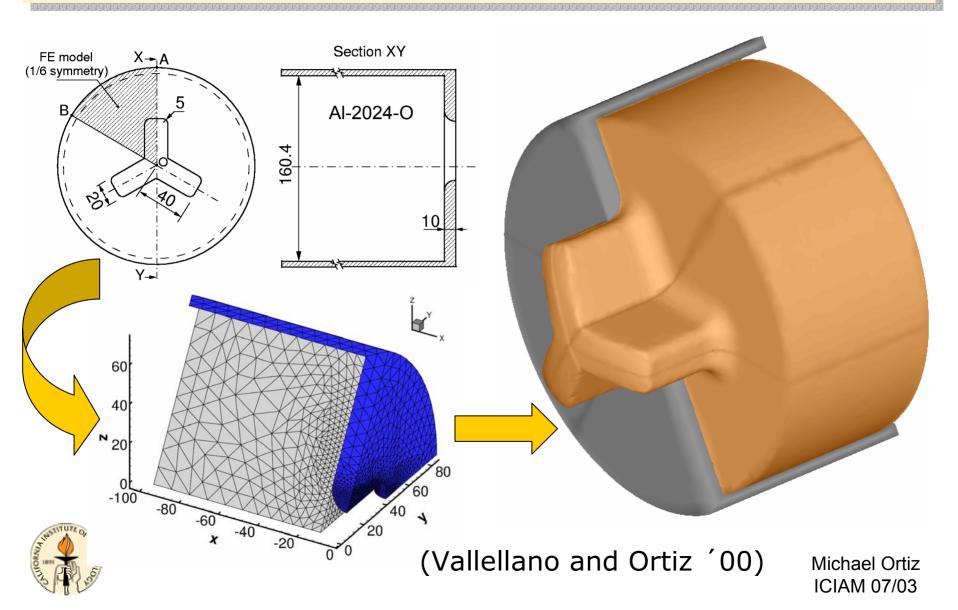


Introduction

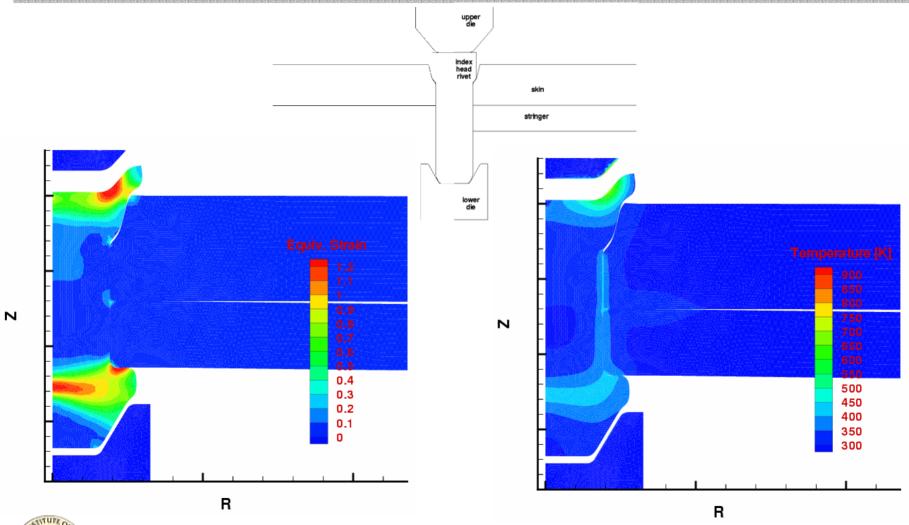
- The case for multiscale modeling in material science and computational mechanics
- How can microstructure, scaling and size effects be built into large-scale numerical calculations?
- Is brute-force raw computational power enough?
- A marriage of convenience: Mixed numerical and analytical multiscale (subgrid) models
- A case study in inelasticity: Metal plasticity
- How can multiscale methods be applied to inelastic, dissipative, hysteretic systems?



Manufacturing Processes - Extrusion



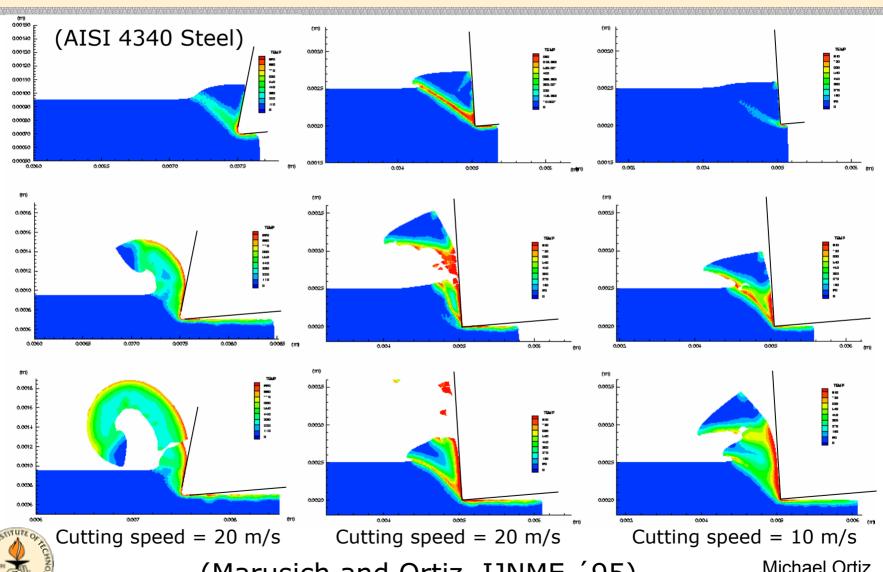
Manufacturing Processes - Riveting





(Repetto, Radovitzky and Ortiz '99)

Manufacturing Processes - Machining



(Marusich and Ortiz, IJNME '95)

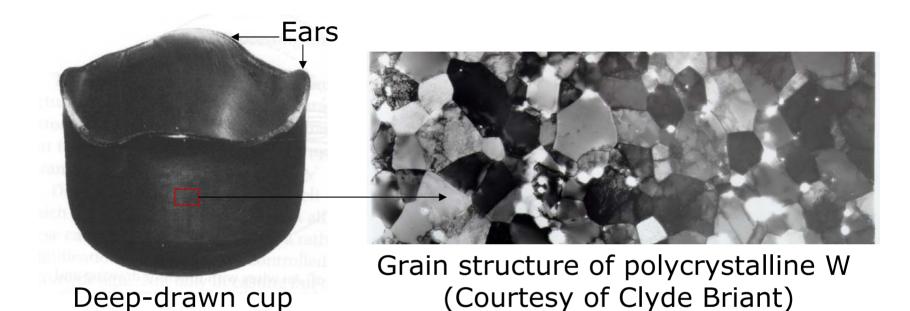
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Validation and Verification

- Fundamental building blocks of simulations:
 - Finite elements + time stepping algorithms
 - Finite deformation plasticity + heat conduction
 - Brittle and ductile fracture and fragmentation
 - Contact mechanics, friction
- Main sources of error and uncertainty
 - Discretization errors (spatial + temporal)
 - Uncertainties in data:
 - Material properties
 - Model geometry
 - Loading and boundary conditions...
 - Empiricism of constitutive models



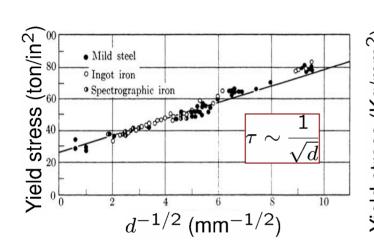
Limitations of empirical models



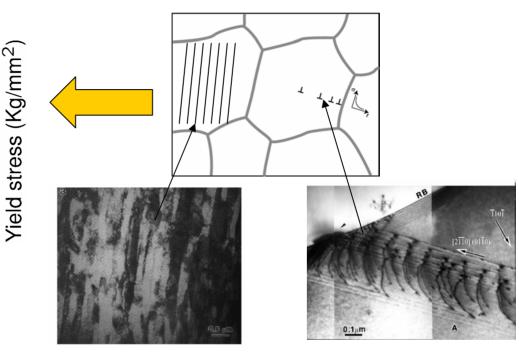
- Conventional engineering plasticity models fail to predict earing in deep drawing
- Prediction of earing requires consideration of polycrystalline structure, texture development



Limitations of empirical models



Hall-Petch scaling (NJ Petch, J. Iron and Steel Inst., 174, 1953, pp. 25-28.)



Lamellar structure (MA Meyers et al '95)

Dislocation pile-up in shocked Ta at Ti grain boundary (I. Robertson)

Conventional plasticity models fail to predict scaling, size effects.

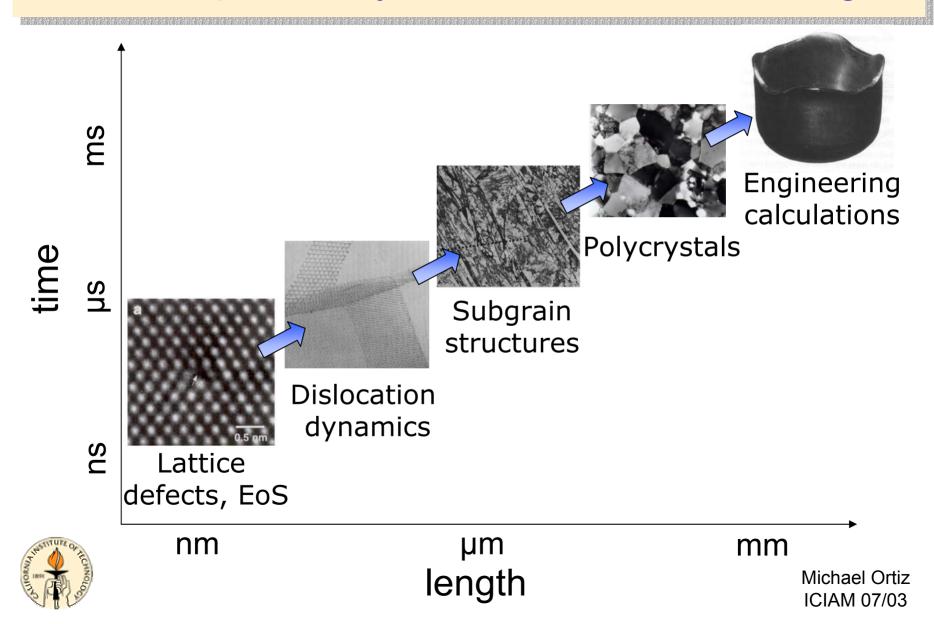
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The case for multiscale modeling

- Empirical models fail because they do not properly account for microstructure
- The empirical approach does not provide a systematic means of eliminating uncertainty from material models
- Instead, multiscale modeling:
 - Identify relevant mechanisms at all lengthscales
 - Bridge lengthscales by:
 - Building models of effective behavior
 - Computing material parameters from first principles
- Methods:
 - Computational: Direct multiscale computing
 - Analytical: Methods of the calculus of variations
 - Mixed: Unresolved calculations + subgrid models

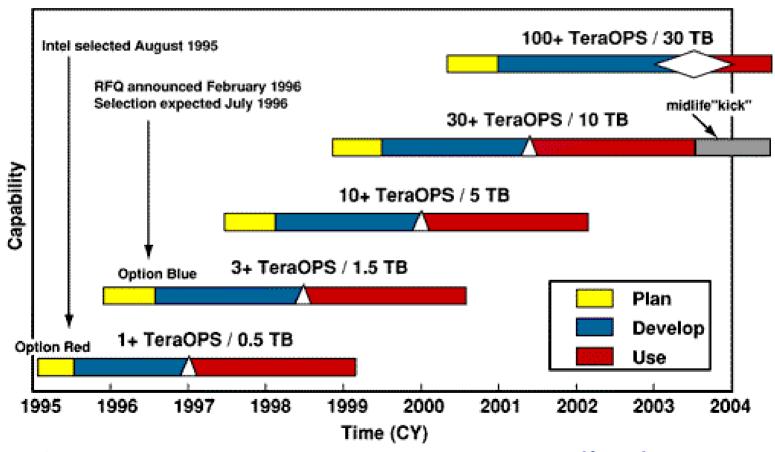


Metal plasticity - Multiscale modeling



Direct multiscale computing - Outlook

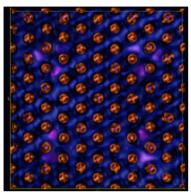
ASCI computing systems roadmap



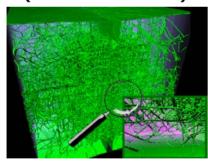


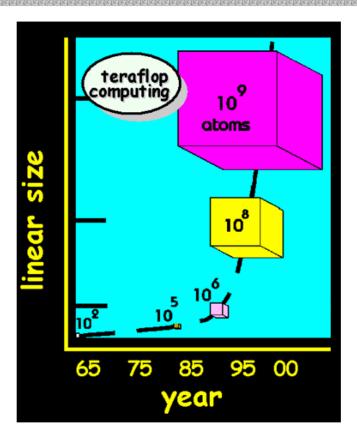


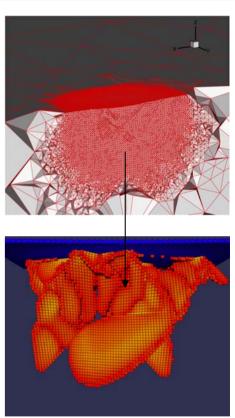
Direct multiscale computing – Bottom up



Ta quadrupole (T. Arias '00)





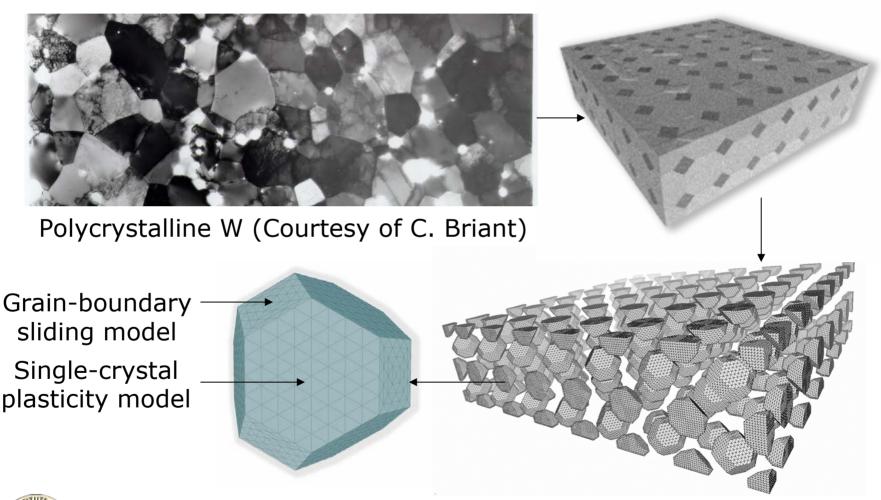


FCC ductile fracture (Courtesy F.F. Abraham) Au nanoindentation (F.F. Abraham '03) (Knap and Ortiz '03)

Computing power is growing rapidly, but

 $10^9 << 10^{23}$

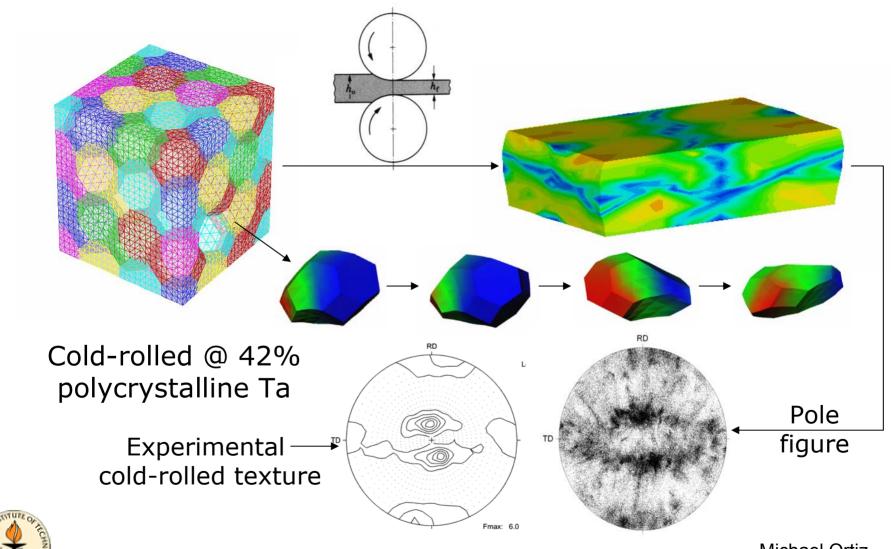
Direct multiscale computing – Top down





(A.M. Cuitiño and R. Radovitzky '02)

Direct multiscale computing – Top down



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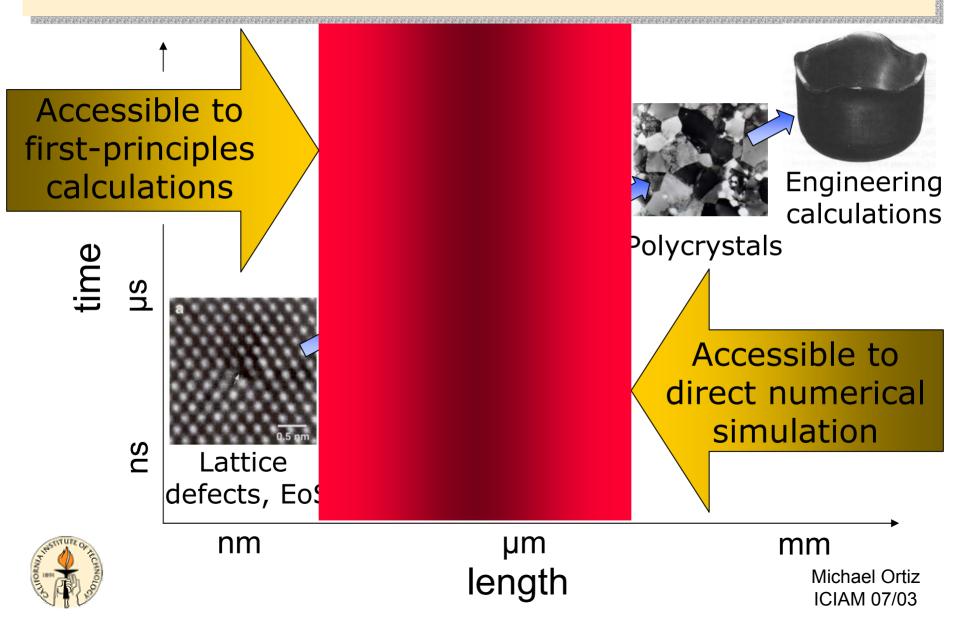
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Direct multiscale computing - Outlook

- ~ 10⁹ elements at our disposal (10⁶ elements/processor x 1000 processors)
- ~ 1000 elements/coordinate direction
- ~ 20 elements/grain/direction (8000 elements/grain)
- ~ 50 grains/direction (125K grains)
- \sim 2.5 mm specimen for 50 μ m grains
- Not enough for complex engineering simulations!
- Subgrain scales still unresolved, require modeling!

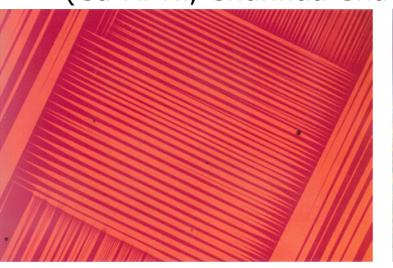


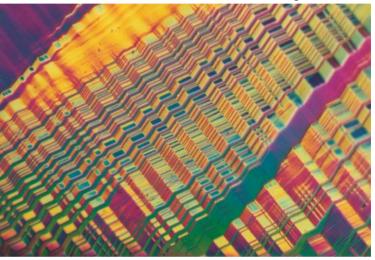
Metal plasticity - Multiscale modeling



Subgrid models – Relaxation methods

(Cu-Al-Ni, Chunhua Chu and Richard D. James)





- Use analytically-derived effective models to represent unresolved (sub-grid) phenomena
- Methods of the calculus of variations: relaxation,
 Γ-convergence, optimal scaling, homogeneization
 - Model conservative system: Nonlinear elasticity

Nonlinear elasticity:

$$\inf_{y \in y_0 + W_0^{1,\infty}(\Omega)} \left\{ I(y) = \int_{\Omega} W(Dy) \, dx \right\}$$

- Functions W(Dy) of interest have multi-well structure $\Rightarrow I(y)$ lacks weak sequential lower-semicontinuity \Rightarrow inifimum not attained in general.
- Direct numerical solutions based on I(y) tend to exhibit exceedingly slow or no convergence.



Instead: Do numerics on the relaxed problem:

$$\inf_{y \in y_0 + W_0^{1,\infty}(\Omega)} \left\{ sc^{-}I(y) = \int_{\Omega} QW(Dy) \, dx \right\}$$

where sc^-I is the lower semi-continuous envelop of I, and

$$QW(F) = \inf_{u \in W_0^{1,\infty}(E)} \frac{1}{|E|} \int_E W(F + Du) \, dx$$

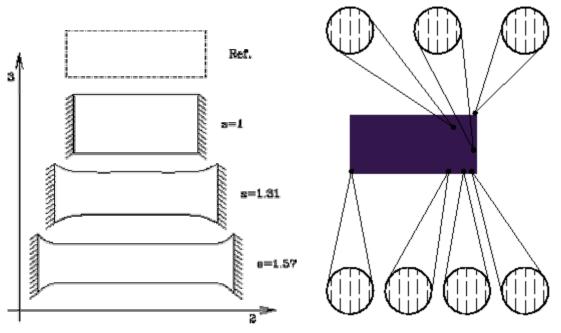
is the *quasiconvex* envelop of W (independent of $E \subset \Omega$).



Theorem. Assume that $I:X\to \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ is coercive. Then:

- (i) sc^-I is coercive and lower semicontinuous.
- (ii) sc^-I has a minimum point in X.
- (iii) $\min_{y \in X} sc^{-}I(y) = \inf_{y \in X} I(y)$.
- (iv) Every cluster point of a minimizing sequence of I is a minimum point of sc^-I in X.
- (v) If, in addition, X is first-countable, then every minimum point of sc^- I is the limit of a minimizing sequence of I in X.

Example – Nematic elastomers



(Courtesy of de Simone and Dolzmann)

$$W(F,n) = A\operatorname{tr}(FF^T) - B||F^Tn||^2$$



Central region of sample at moderate stretch (Courtesy of Kunder and Finkelmann)

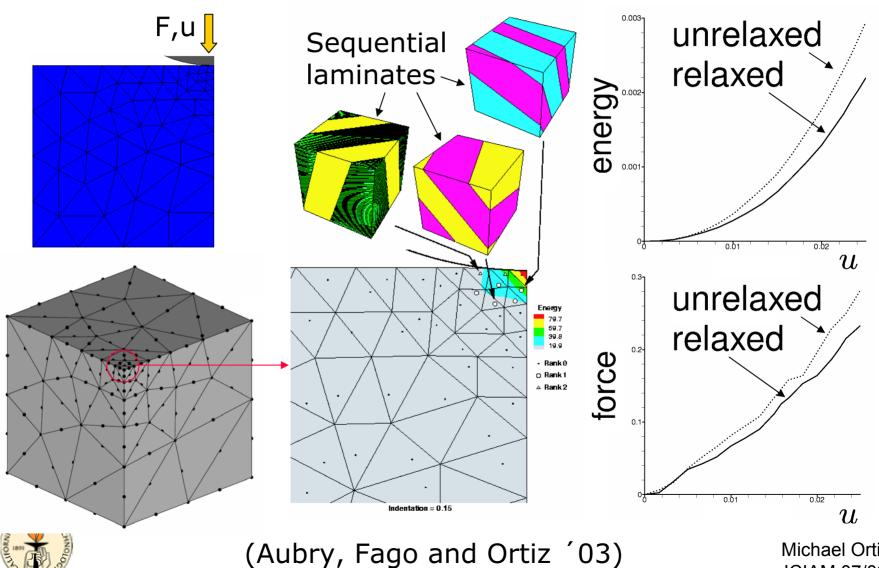


Blandon *et al.* '93 De Simone and Dolzmann '00 De Simone and Dolzmann '02

- Relaxed problem exhibits easy-to-compute regular solutions
- Sub-grid microstructural information is recovered locally from the solution of the relaxed problem
- But: Quasiconvex envelops are known explicitly in very few cases
- Instead: Consider easy-to-generate special microstructures, such as sequential laminates
 - Off-line (Dolzmann '99; Dolzmann & Walkington '00)
 - Concurrently with the calculations (Aubry et al. '03)



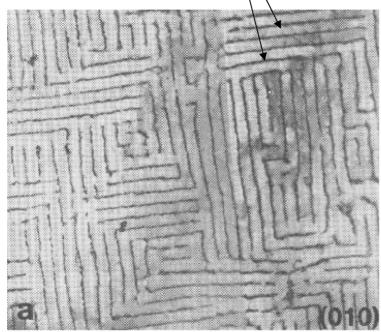
Example - Indentation of Cu-Al-Ni



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Crystal plasticity - Microstructures

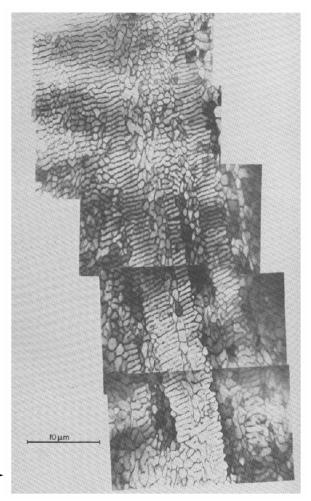
Dipolar dislocation walls



Labyrinth structure in fatigued copper single crystal (Jin and Winter '84)

Nested bands in copper single crystal fatigued to saturation

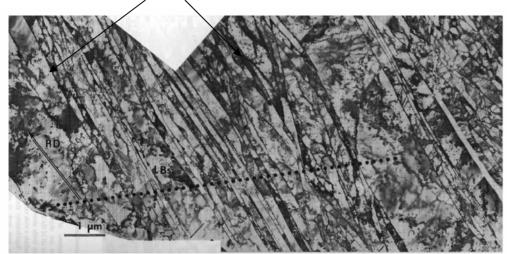
(Ramussen and Pedersen '80)



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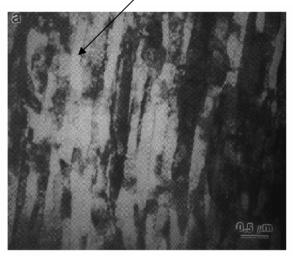
Crystal plasticity - Microstructures

Dislocation walls



Lamellar dislocation structure in 90% cold-rolled Ta (Hughes and Hansen '97)

Dislocation walls



in shocked Ta (Meyers et al '95)

- Lamellar structures are universally found on the micron scale in highly-deformed crystals
- These microstructures are responsible for the soft behavior of crystals and for size effects

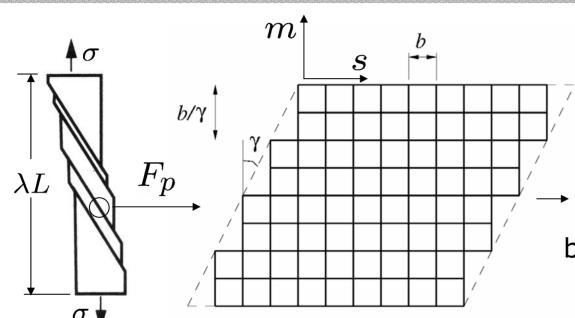
Crystal plasticity - Microstructures

- For conservative systems, there is a clear connection between microstructure and nonattainment
- Difficulties in applying program to plasticity:
 - Plasticity involves both energetics and kinetics
 - Plasticity exhibits strong scaling and size effects
 - No general analytical method for relaxing functionals
- Difficulties are overcome by:
 - Incremental variational formulation (Ortiz and Repetto '99; Ortiz and Stainier '00; Mielke '00)
 - Non-local energies (Ortiz and Repetto '99; Mielke and Müller '03)
 - Numerical relaxation (Dolzmann ´99; Dolzmann and Walkington ´00; Aubry, Fago and Ortiz ´03)



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Crystal plasticity - BVP



Irreversible accommodation of shear deformation by crystallographic slip

$$\inf_{y \in y_0 + W_0^{1,\infty}(\Omega)} \left\{ I(y) = \int_{\Omega} A(Dy F_p^{-1}, \gamma) dx \right\}$$

Pointwise: $F_p = I + \gamma s \otimes m$, $(s, m) \in \{\text{finite set}\}\$ $\dot{\gamma} = \partial_{\tau} \psi(\tau)$

$$\gamma = \partial_{\tau} \psi(\tau)
\tau = -\partial_{\gamma} A(Dy F_p^{-1}, \gamma)$$



Crystal plasticity - BVP

- Crystal plasticity involves both energetics and kinetics
- The variational structure of the BVP is not clear from the outset...
- ...but it can be revealed by recourse to time discretization (Ortiz and Repetto '99, Ortiz and Stainier '00, Mielke '00)



Crystal plasticity – Variational problem

- Discretize time: $t_0, \ldots, t_n, t_{n+1}, \ldots$
- Define incremental strain energy density (Ortiz and Repetto '99; Ortiz and Stainier '99):

$$W_n(F_{n+1}) = \inf_{\text{paths}} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \partial_F A \cdot \dot{F} dt$$

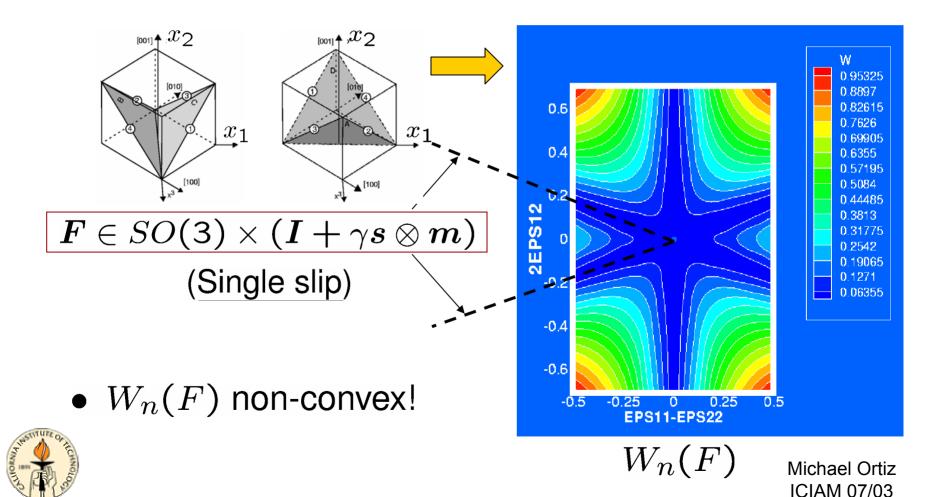
• Incremental variational problem:

$$\inf_{y_{n+1} \in y_0 + W_0^{1,\infty}(\Omega)} \left\{ I_n(y_{n+1}) = \int_{\Omega} W_n(Dy_{n+1}) \, dx \right\}$$

 Incremental problem is formally identical to nonlinear elasticity problem!

Crystal plasticity – Non-attaiment

• Example: FCC crystal deforming on (110)-plane



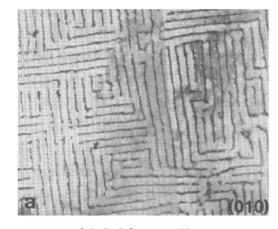
Crystal plasticity - Relaxation

- Crystal plasticity has an incremental variational structure
- Incremental energy functional lacks lower semicontinuity
- Observed microstructures are a manifestation of non-attainment
- Numerical implementation: Relax incremental energy functional
- Fall-back position: Consider special microstructures, e.g., sequential laminates

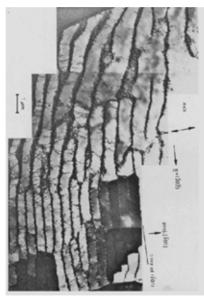


Validation – Fatigued copper

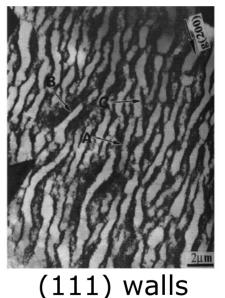
• Problem (Ortiz and Repetto '97): Find all laminates such that $F \in SO(3) \times (I + \gamma s \otimes m)$, $(s, m) \in \text{finite set}$.



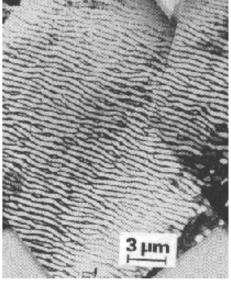
(100) walls (Jin and Winter '84)



(101) walls (Young and Mughrabi '84)



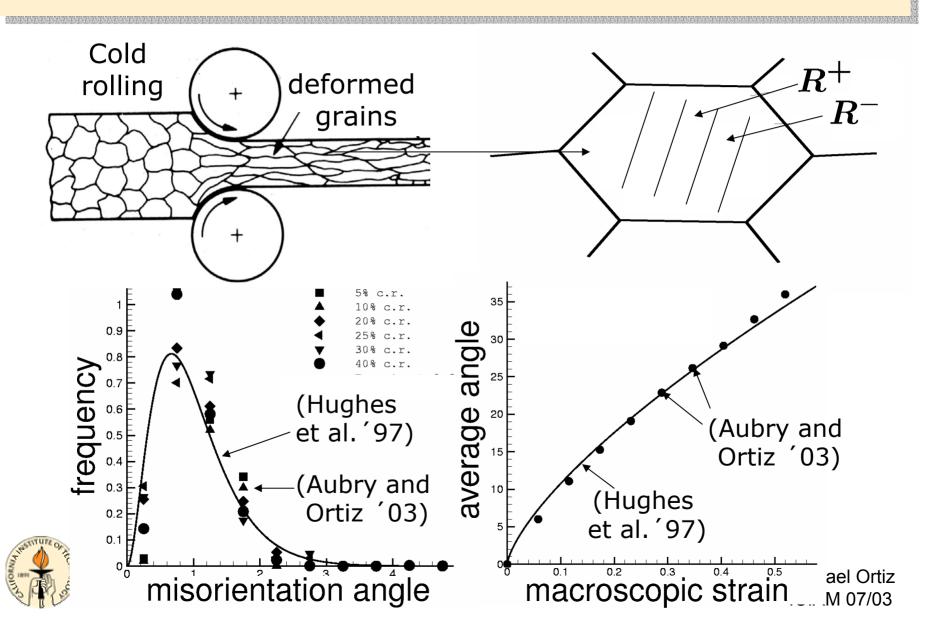
(Yumen '89)



(131) walls (Lepisto et al., 1986)



Validation – Misorientation angles

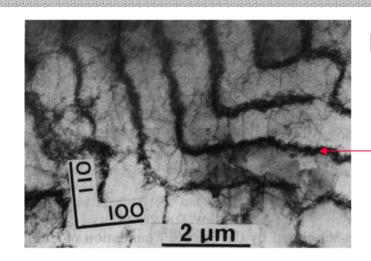


Crystal plasticity - Nonlocal extension

- Thus far the material description is local
- Local material models do not possess a characteristic length scale an cannot predict scaling relations such as the Hall-Petch effect
- In order to predict scaling relations we need to account for additional physics:
 - Dislocation core energies
 - Dislocation wall energies
- This renders the material description nonlocal...



Crystal plasticity – Nonlocal extension



Fatigued copper (Jin '87)

Dislocation walls carry additional energy

Nonlocal free energy:

$$I(y,\Omega) = \int_{\Omega} \left\{ A(Dy F_p^{-1}, \gamma) + (T/b) ||\operatorname{curl} F_p|| \right\} dx$$

• Energy density of a subset $E \subset \Omega$:



$$\frac{1}{|E|} \inf_{u \in W_0^{1,\infty}(E)} I_n(Fx + u, E) \to \text{depends on } E!$$
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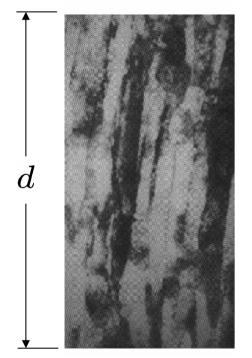
Crystal plasticity – Nonlocal extension

- Energy density depends on size, shape of domain.
- We can no longer defined a meaningful effective energy density
- Need to model entire domains at a time!
- Analytical tools:
 - Optimal scaling (Kohn and Müller '92, '94; Conti '00, '03)
 - Young measures of micro-patterns (Alberti and Müller '99)
- Work in progress: `Grain elements'
 - Each element represents one entire grain
 - Energy of grain depends on its size, shape and exhibits optimal scaling

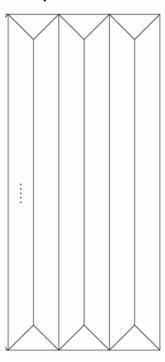


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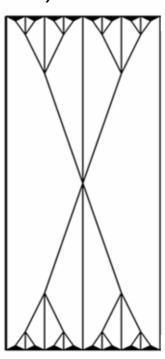
 Optimal scaling constructions for double slip, antiplane shear (Conti '00, '03)



Shocked Ta (Meyers et al '95)



Laminate



Branching

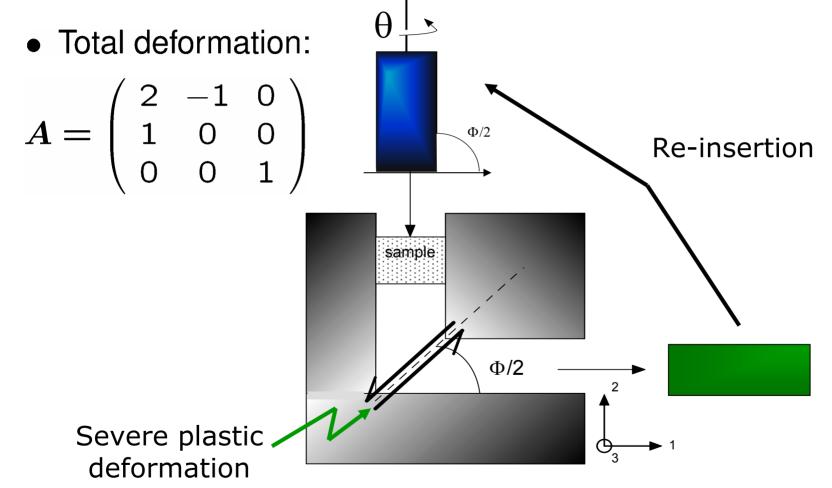


LiF impact $au_c \sim d^{-1/2}$ $au_c \sim d^{-2/3}$ (Meir and Clifton '86)

Hall-Petch effect!

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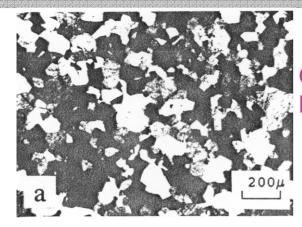
Equal Angular Channel Extrusion



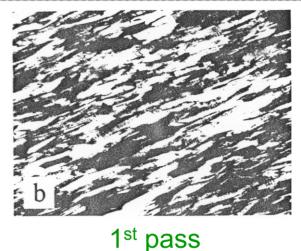


(Beyerlein, Lebensohn and Tome, LANL, 2003)

Case study - ECAE

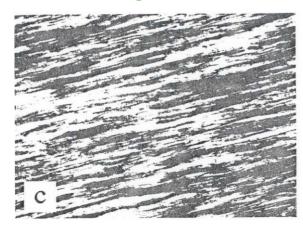


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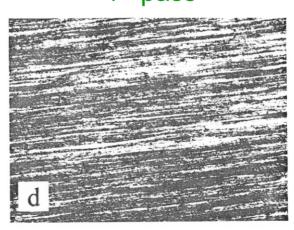


Observed: ~20°



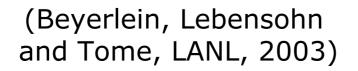


Observed: ~12°



Observed: ~7°

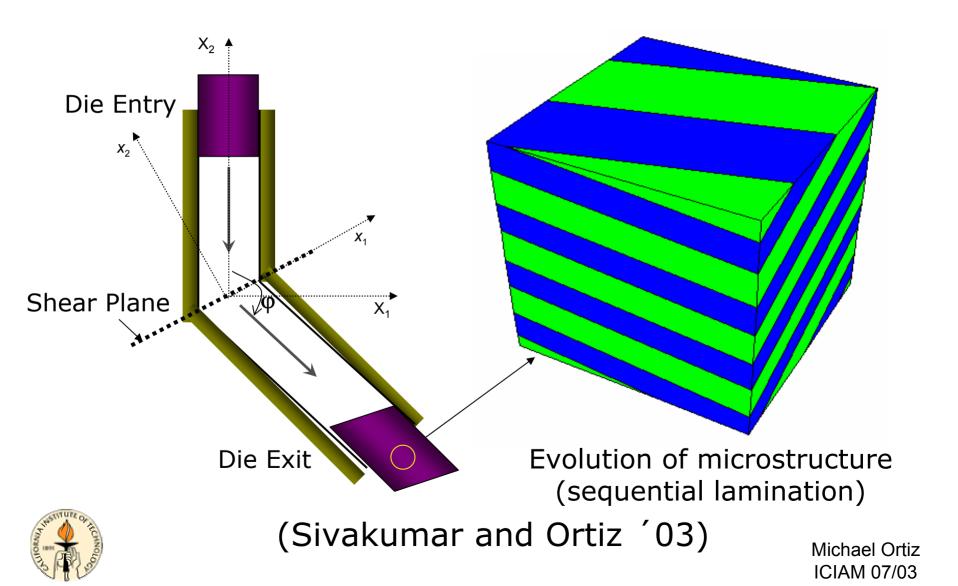




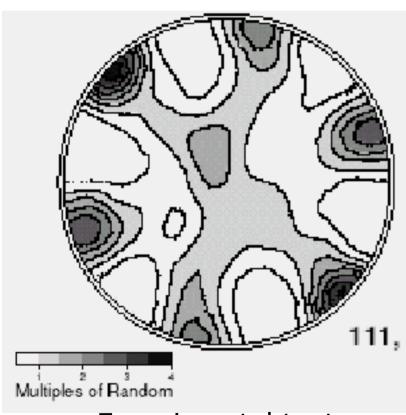
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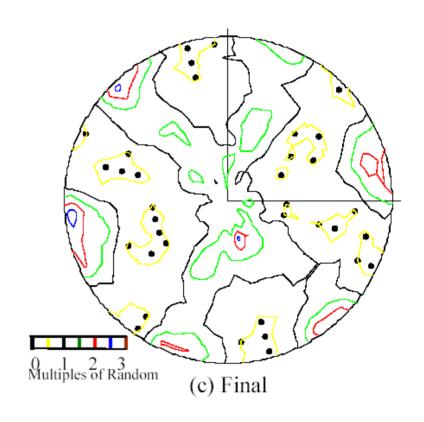
Case study - ECAE



Case study - ECAE



Experimental texture (Vogel et al. '03)



Computed texture (Sivakumar and Ortiz '03)

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Summary and conclusions

- The multiscale modeling paradigm provides a systematic means of eliminating empiricism and uncertainty from material models
- Present computing capacity is not sufficient to integrate entire multiscale hierarchies into largescale engineering simulations
- There remains a need for subgrid models (as in other fields, e.g., turbulence)
- Inroads are being made in the application of calculus of variations to inelastic systems
- Many open questions remain (regularity of minimizers, convergence of incremental approach, relaxation of non-local functionals...)

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