Ductile Failure Prediction in Additively Manufactured Metals via 3D Characterization

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**Motivation** 

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- Increasing need for reliability and safety (Ex: Automotive, Healthcare, Aerospace)
- Additive Manufacturing (AM):
  - Produces complex geometries with unprecedented design freedom and customization
  - Generates non-uniform material properties, extreme anisotropy, and *inherent porosity* [1, 2].



### Goal: Validate different failure prediction approaches given the set of experimental data.

### • Prediction models:

- Direct Numerical Simulation (DNS): Gold standard of failure prediction [3, 4].
- Void Descriptor Function (VDF): Lightweight prediction model [5-6].

### Experimental Data Overview

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#### Additive Manufacturing of Samples

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# Workflow Outline

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# Methods: Pre-processing (Crop Data)

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# Methods: Pre-processing (Image Analysis)

### recon3d

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GitLab Repository

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# Methods: Pre-Processing (Pore Statistics)

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## Methods: Experimental Data Analysis

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• Image J was used to manually locate fracture site.

- Pixel (2D) data was given which was converted to real space data in  $\mu$ m.
- ParaView was utilized to visualize both the asbuilt and fractured samples to identify the fracture location.
- This method was applied for all 26 samples.

## **Results:** Experimental Data Analysis

### **Least Porous**

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![](_page_8_Figure_2.jpeg)

Scale is in mm

#### **Results:** Experimental Data Analysis 10

**Porous** 

![](_page_9_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### Equivalent diameter 4.36% increase

Scale is in mm

# **Results:** Experimental Data Analysis

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![](_page_10_Figure_2.jpeg)

Scale is in mm

# Methods: DNS Workflow

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# Methods: DNS – Mesh

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- CUBIT was utilized to add node sets to be used for boundary conditions.
- Pore elements deleted.

![](_page_12_Figure_6.jpeg)

# Methods: AM 316L SS property specification

- Hill plasticity model:
  - Anisotropic/rate dependent yield
  - Plasticity captured via Voce hardening
  - Scalar damage model

**Hill plasticity** 

$$\begin{aligned} \theta^2(\hat{\sigma}_{ij}) &= F(\hat{\sigma}_{22} - \hat{\sigma}_{33})^2 + G(\hat{\sigma}_{33} - \hat{\sigma}_{11})^2 \\ &+ H(\hat{\sigma}_{11} - \hat{\sigma}_{22})^2 + 2L\hat{\sigma}_{23}^2 \\ &+ 2M\hat{\sigma}_{31}^2 + 2N\hat{\sigma}_{12}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Material Property	Variable	Value	Units
Young's Modulus	E	200e9	Ра
Poisson's Ratio	ν	0.27	-
Density	ρ	7920	$Kg/m^3$
Material Parameter	Variable	Value	Units
Rate independent yield	Y <sub>0</sub>	453.3e6	Ра
constant			
Hill transverse yield ratio	$R_{11} = R_{33}$	1.124	-
Remaining Hill yield	$R_{22} = R_{12} = R_{13} = R_{23}$	1.0	-
ratios			
Voce hardening coef	А	883.6e6	Ра
Voce hardening	b	1.39	-
exponential coef			
Yield rate coef	f	21012	1/s
Yield rate exponent	n	10.06	-

Damaged Cauchy stress

Void volume fraction

#### **Voce Hardening**

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![](_page_14_Picture_1.jpeg)

m ∝ damage

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$$\dot{v}_{v} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \dot{\varepsilon}_{p} \frac{1}{\eta} (1 + \eta v_{v}) \left[ (1 + \eta v_{v})^{m+1} - 1 \right]$$
$$\cdot \sinh \left[ \frac{2(2m-1)}{2m+1} \frac{\langle p \rangle}{\sigma_{f}} \right] - (v_{v} - v_{0}) \frac{\dot{\eta}}{\eta}$$

40 µm voxel size

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# **Results:** Mesh size effect

Porous

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# **Methods:** Void Descriptor Function (VDF)

- Identifies positions along gauge section highly populated by critical pore structures [4]
  - Signals where fracture is likely to occur
- Quantifies the inter-relationships of pores to quickly predict failure [4]
  - Factors: pore location, size, and distance to free surface

### **Crop Data**

### Obtain Geometries

### Calculate Pore Metrics

![](_page_16_Picture_8.jpeg)

![](_page_16_Figure_9.jpeg)

pores
axis\_vectors
centroids
ellipsoid\_surface\_areas
ellipsoid\_volumes
equivalent\_sphere\_diameters
nearest\_neighbor\_IDs
nearest\_neighbor\_distances
num\_voxels
semi-axis\_lengths

## **Results:** Void Descriptor Function

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	Most Porous	Porous	Least Porous
Max VDF value	0.03496	0.00606	0.000175
Location (mm)	3.641	3.462	3.371

# **Results:** Comparison – Fracture Locations

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## 20 Conclusion

- VDF takes significantly less time than DNS (~0.269 seconds compared to ~25+ minutes)
- DNS showed a lower percentage error indicating a more accurate model
- Mesh resolution affects failure location accuracy.
- This project serves a stepping stone in advancing the broader scope of the research effort.

	Fracture Location (mm)				
	Least Porous	Porous	Most Porous		
EXP	4.692	2.048	4.184		
DNS	4.12	2.05	4.20		
VDF	3.371	3.462	3.641		

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#### Percent Error (%)

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# Future Work

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### **Experimental Data Analysis**

- Automated fracture location
- Better inform data-driven predictive models
- Further analysis on Normalization energy values

### **Direct Numerical Simulation**

- Full sample set simulations
- Smaller voxel size mesh simulations
- Fracture initiation (void)

### **Void Descriptor Function**

- Optimization in progress
- Account for surface roughness