

## IV. Comité scientifique et instrumental

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**Workshop “Reflection on the unique role of neutrons”**

The Laboratoire Léon Brillouin  
Saclay the 26-27th September 2016

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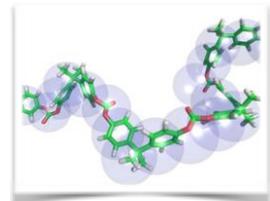
	Speaker	Theme	Scribes
<b>Monday 26 September</b>			
13:00 - 13:15	C. Alba-Simionesco/I.Anderson	Welcome and Context	
13:15 - 14:15	Jean Marie Tarascon	Electrochemistry, batteries	JM Zanotti/P. Judeintsein
14:15 - 15:15	Loic Barré	Petroleum industry	J. Jestin/ L. Lay-Theng
15:15 - 16:15	Liliane Léger	Soft Matter	A.Chenevière/C. Le Cœur
<b>16:15-16:30</b>	<b>Pause</b>		
16:30 - 17:30	François Boué	Food science	F Cousin/ C.Loupiac
17:30 - 18:30	Michael Fitzpatrick	Engineering	MH Mathon/F.Ott
18:30 - 19:30	Jean Daillant	What synchrotrons can't do	F.Porcher/ A.Bataille
<b>20h30</b>	<b>Dîner « Le Living » Massy</b>		
<b>Tuesday 27 September</b>			
08:30 - 09:30	Sanat Kumar	Materials Science	F. Cousin/J. Jestin
09:30 - 10:30	Bruno Robert	Biology	S. Longeville/S. Combet
10:30 - 11:30	Alan Tenant	Hard Matter	Y. Sidis/ J-M. Mignot
11:30 - 12:30	Christian Pfeleiderer	Magnetism	I. Mirebeau/G. Chaboussant
<b>12:30 - 13:30</b>	<b>All - Buffet Lunch with LLB staff</b>		
13:30 - 14:30	<b>Committee Meeting</b>		

# Neutrons 101

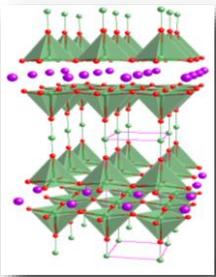
- The reason we use neutrons hasn't changed
  - Length and time scales
  - Light atoms/contrast variation
  - Magnetism
  - Penetration
  - Precision

# But the range of science has

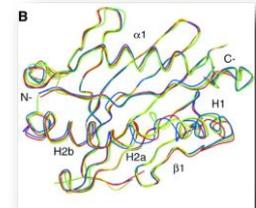
H/D Contrast in Polymers



Novel Superconductors



H/D Contrast in Proteins



Crystal/Chemical Structure

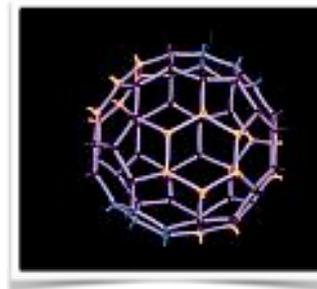
Liquids and Amorphous

Thin films structure

Protein/Polymer Structure

Fluorines Structure/Dynamics

Phonons



Magnons

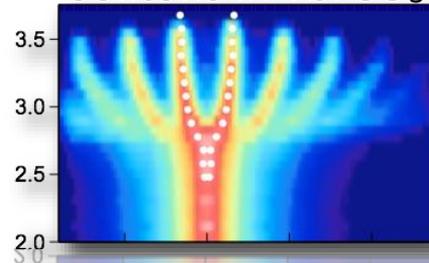
Localised Excitations

Chemical Spectroscopy

Proton tunneling

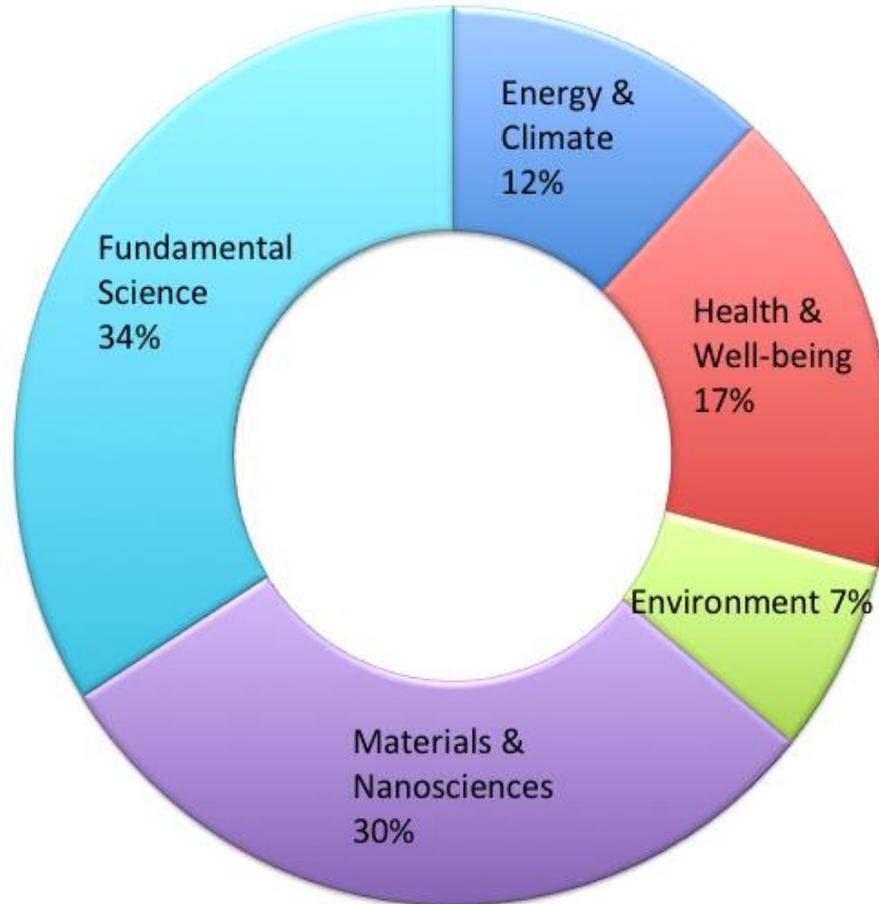
Slow dynamics  
Magnetic Structure  
Protein/proton dynamics

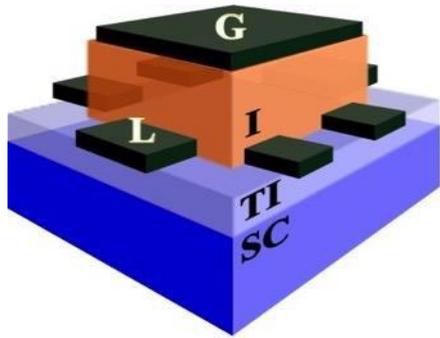
Solitons in TbFeO<sub>3</sub>



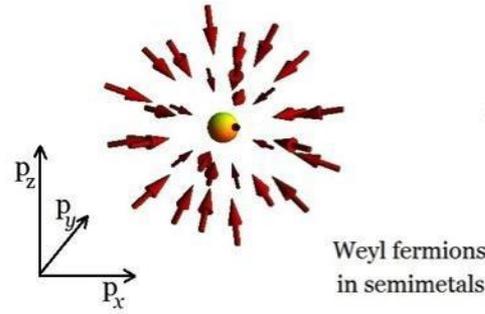
# And the impact is wide ranging

**Neutron Beam-time usage according to Societal Impact**



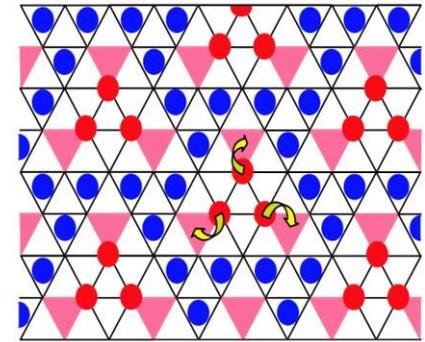


Quantum devices



Weyl fermions  
in semimetals

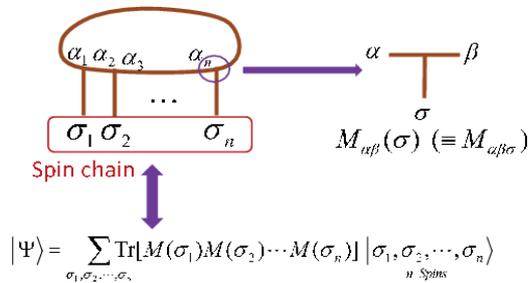
Topological materials



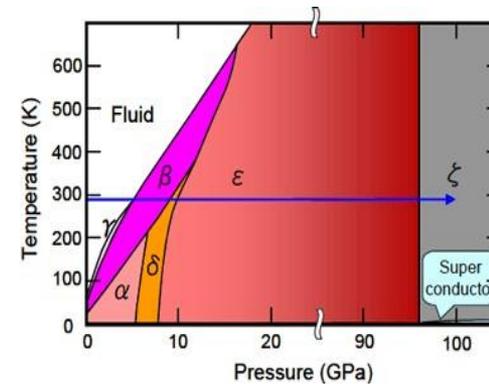
Mesoscale effects

# Quantum Materials

MPS(DMRG)



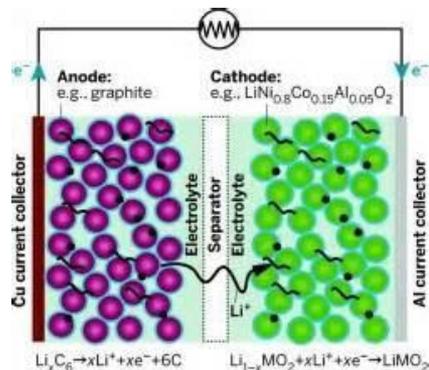
Theory and simulation



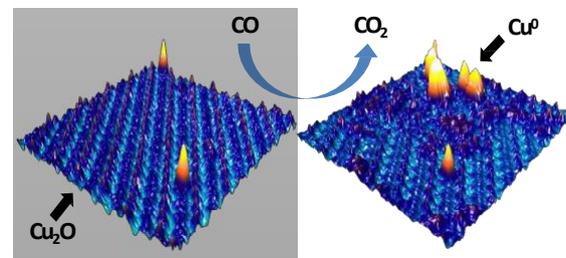
Extreme conditions



**Infrastructure  
stewardship**

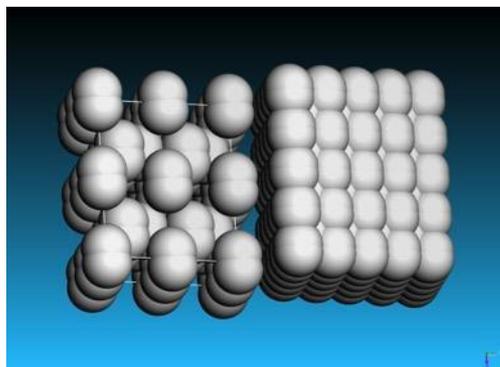


**Future energy and  
transport**

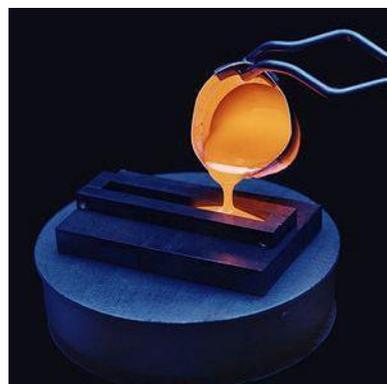


**Catalysis and chemical  
reactions**

# Materials Synthesis and Performance



**Materials under  
extreme conditions**



**Glasses, liquids, defects  
and disorder**



**Advanced manufacturing**

# Quantum electronics - Functionalizing Topological Insulators

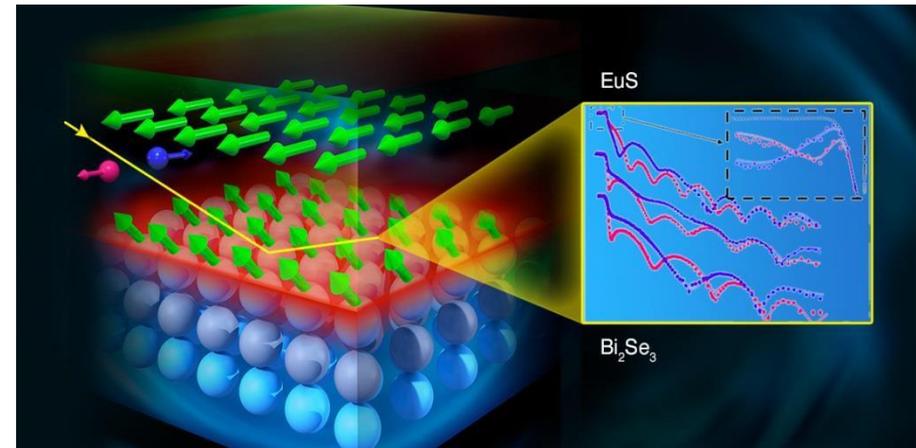
Neutrons see the interfaces

## Scientific Achievement

Using polarized neutron reflectometry (PNR), researchers have discovered magnetic moments in hybrid topological insulator (TI) materials at room temperature, hundreds of degrees warmer than the sub-zero temperature where the properties are expected to occur.

## Significance and Impact

TIs are insulating materials *in bulk* and display conducting *surface states* protected by time-reversal symmetry, wherein electron spins are locked to their momentum. Inducing ferromagnetic surface states in TIs are thought to enable the emergence of exotic phenomena such as interfacial magneto-electric coupling, and Majorana fermions. This discovery promises new opportunities for next-generation electronic and spintronic devices such as improved transistors and quantum computing technologies.



Schematic of the PNR experimental set up for  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3/\text{EuS}$  bilayer films and measured and fitted (solid lines) reflectivity curves for two neutron spin-polarization. The inset is an expanded view of the reflectivity below its critical edge that is sensitive to the distribution of the Eu ions due to the absorption cross section and the magnetic moment.

## Research Details

- The ferromagnetic state was directly observed in the top two quintuple layers (QL, where 1 QL  $\approx$  0.96 nm) of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3$  near the TI-FMI interface up to temperatures higher than 300 kelvins.
- PNR provides characterization of the depth profiles of the elemental nuclear density, the magnetization density, and is also particularly element-sensitive to Eu via the absorption density profile. This affords a very precise disentanglement of the intrinsic ferromagnetism of EuS, from its interfacial magnetism and the induced magnetization in  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3$ .

F. Katmis, V. Lauter, F. Nogueira, B. Assaf, M. Jamer, P. Wei, B. Satpati, J. Freeland, I. Eremin, D. Heiman, P. Jarillo-Herrero, and J. Moodera, *Nature*, **2016**.

Work was performed at ORNL's SNS Magnetism Reflectometer instrument, BL-4A, a DOE Office of Science User Facility.

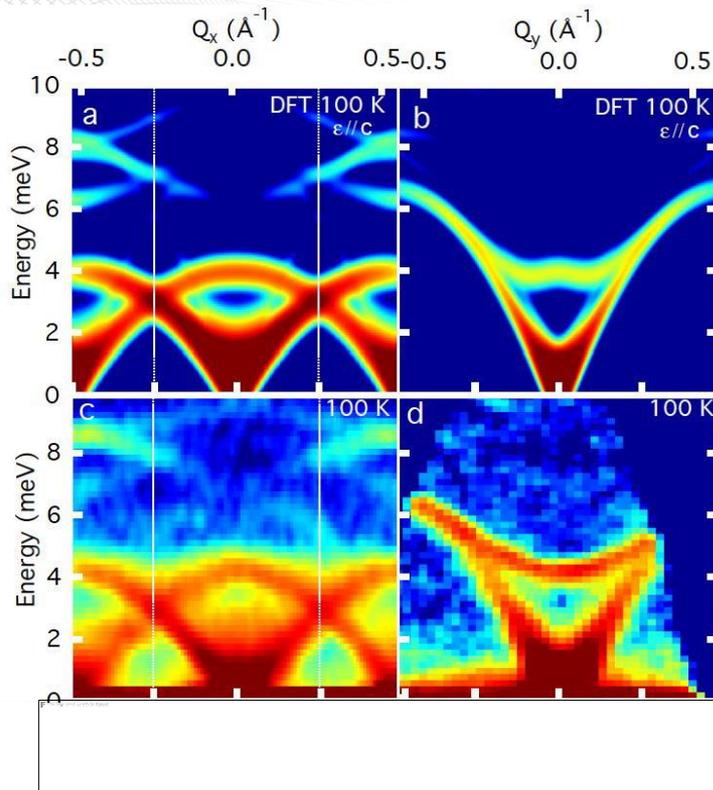
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Joint Institute for Neutron Sciences



# Thermoelectrics – neutrons see transport

## Electronic Orbitals Drive Phonon Anharmonicity of SnSe



**a,b:** DFT calculations of phonon  $S(Q,E)$  for SnSe along [H02] and [0K2]. **c,d:** INS data measured on CNCS at 100K.

C. Li\*, J. Hong\*, A May, D. Bansal, S. Chi, T. Hong, G. Ehlers, and O. Delaire. *Nature Physics*. (2015).

### Scientific Achievement

The origin of the anisotropic, ultralow thermal conductivity in high-efficiency thermoelectric SnSe was explained with neutron scattering and simulations.

### Significance and Impact

Understanding the chemical origin of the anharmonic phonon potential will enable the design of highly efficient thermoelectrics.

### Research Details

- S phonon dispersion and intensities were mapped on single-crystals of SnSe with instruments at SNS and HFIR, and computed with DFT.
- The instability of resonantly-bonded  $p$ -orbitals couples with Sn 5s lone pairs, causing anharmonicity and the structural distortion at 800K.

Work was performed at ORNL's Spallation Neutron Source and High Flux Isotope Reactor, which are DOE user facilities. Simulations used resources of the Oak Ridge Leadership Computing Facility, also a DOE user facility.

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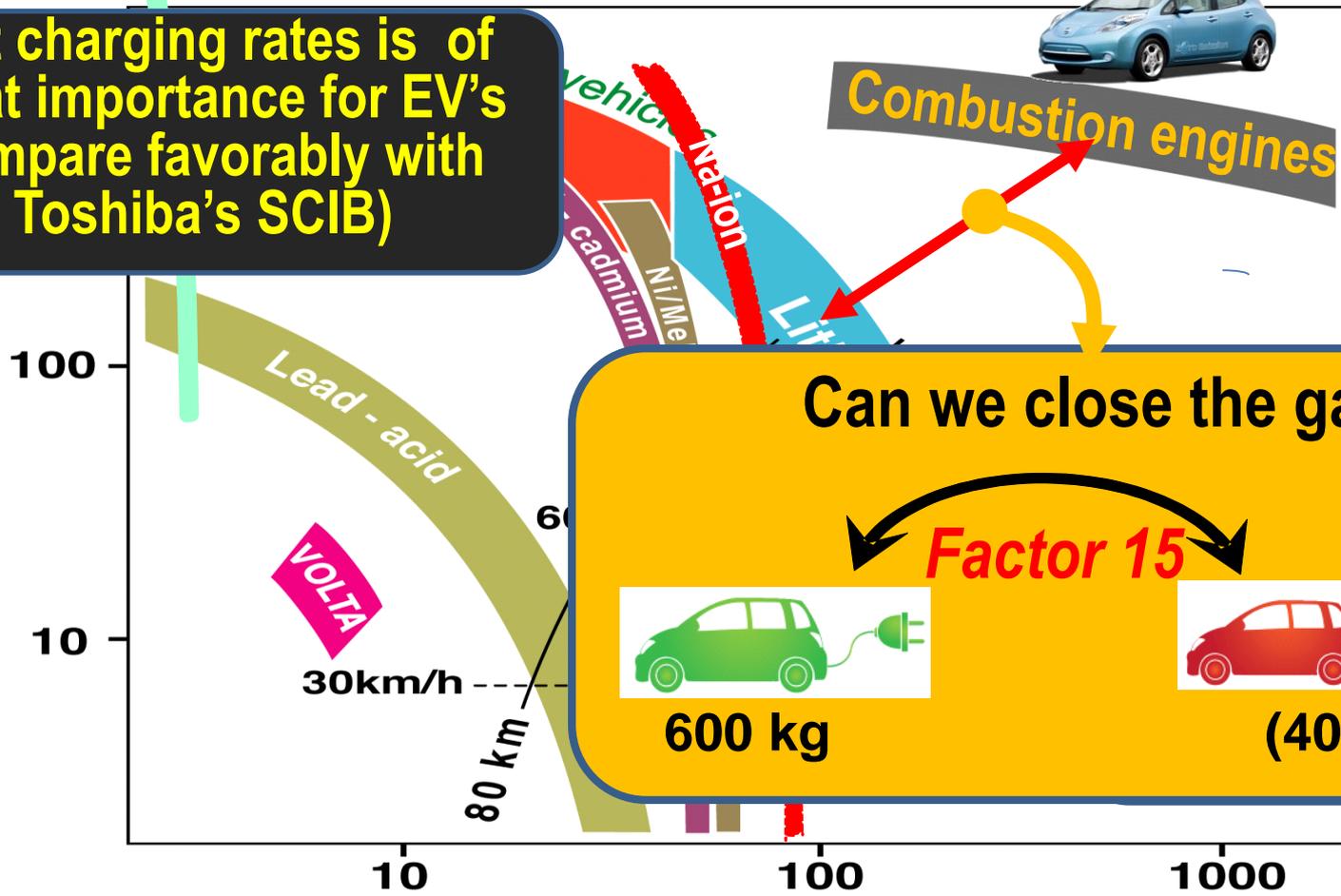
# Battery technologies: Power rate comparison



## The Ragone plot

Fast charging rates is of great importance for EV's (compare favorably with Toshiba's SCIB)

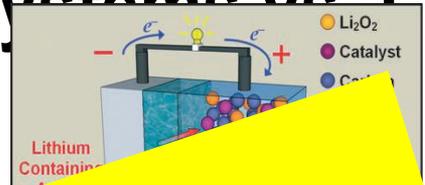
SPECIFIC POWER (W/kg)



ENERGY DENSITY (Wh/kg) → AUTONOMY



# Why so much excitement ? What are they ?



metal air systems vs Li-ion  
Li-air

**What is the reality ?**  
 Still a few decades to have commercial Li-air cells.  
 The Li-S will reach the market place sooner

Battery	Cell Voltage	Theoretical Capacity
Today $\frac{1}{2}C_6Li$		
Zn/air $Zn + \frac{1}{2}O_2$		
Li/S $2Li + S = Li_2S$	2.2	2567
Li/air (non-aqueous) $2Li + O_2 = Li_2O_2$	3.0	3505





## ➤ Humungous progresses in developing characterization techniques

- Competition is fierce
- Our old models of running large instruments must be revised to satisfy users.
- X-ray synchrotrons (Use of the 11BM service: Mail-in)
- Neutrons is becoming similar with two programs at Oakridge NOMAD and POWGE

**"Adequate balance between pushing the frontiers of Neutron and satisfying today's researchers needs"**

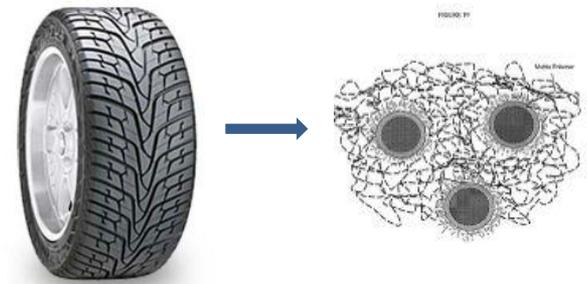
## ➤ In-operando Neutrons.

(Need time and lines dedicated to battery research, PSI, Berlin ,,,)

➤ In short, writing proposal should not be the only way to have access to neutron facilities.

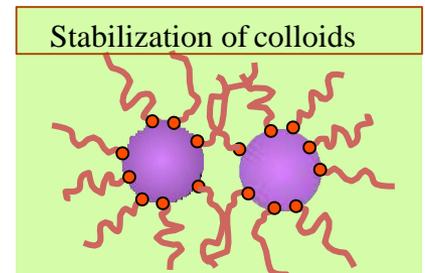
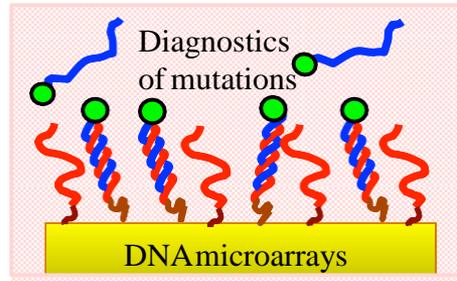
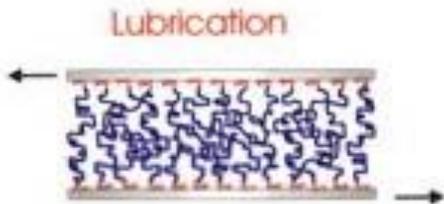
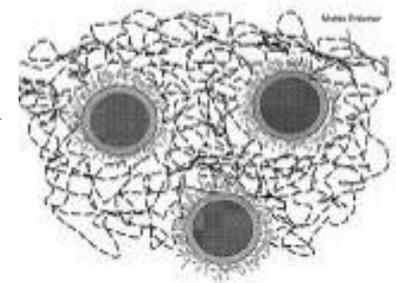
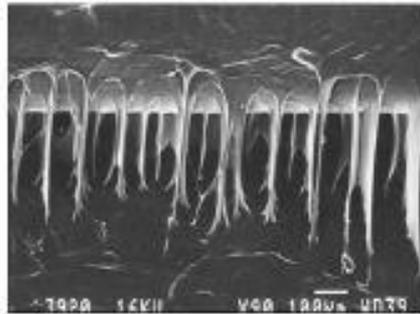
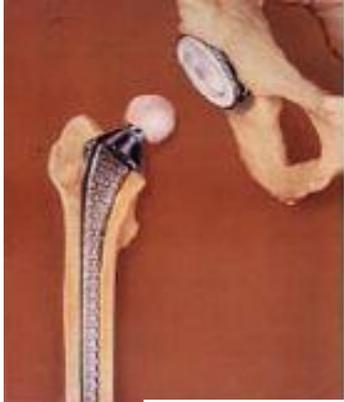
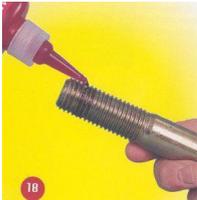
# Soft Matter and Neutrons

- Neutral Polymers and Polyelectrolytes in bulk and at interfaces
  - > Adhesion, Friction and Mechanical Reinforcement
- Why?
  - The internal structure of a surface attached polymer layer rules its ability to interpenetrate with a bulk polymer
  - This will rule **adhesion, friction**, and more generally all mechanisms of **stress transmission** at an interface
  - Manipulating this internal structure allows one to adjust **adhesion** and **friction** and **mechanical reinforcement** by micro- or nano-particles



# Why is it important?

Polymer chains attached to a surface: An every day situation



# Selective Gas Separation Membranes

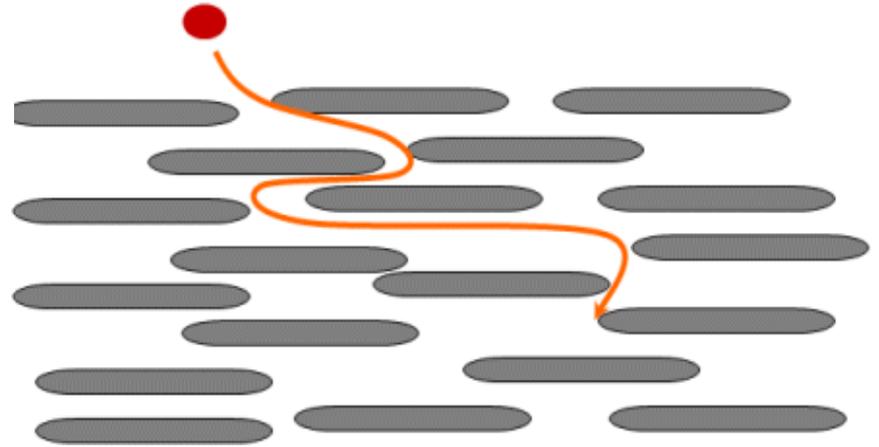
- Sanat Kumar

$$J_s = \bar{P}(p_h - p_l) / \delta$$

$$P = D \times S$$

Diffusion  
Coefficient

Solubility



$$\alpha_{ij} = \frac{P_i}{P_j} = \frac{D_i S_i}{D_j S_j}$$

# Motivation

## U.S. Natural Gas Production from Shale Gas

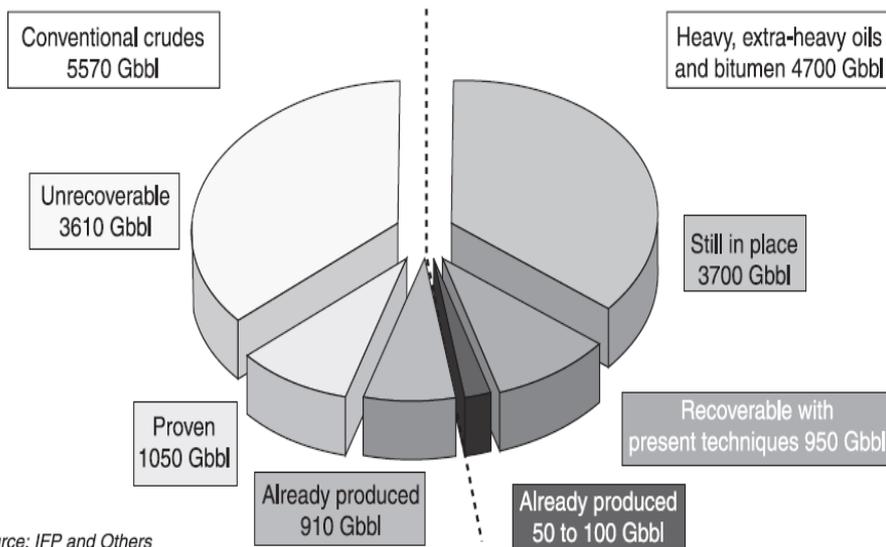
Million Cubic Feet



The corrosion that was reported in 2013 at the site was likely caused by a combination within the pipeline of contaminants as moisture, chlorides, oxygen, carbon dioxide, and hydrogen sulfide.

New Technology is needed for significant Natural Gas Processing

# HEAVY OILS : AN IMPORTANT RESOURCE FOR THE RENEWAL OF OIL RESERVES



Source: IFP and Others

- Half of proved reserves
- Petroleum Industry : need to
  - produce
  - transport
  - refine
- Most of the issues are related to the heaviest and most polar fraction of crude oil : the Asphaltenes

*Oil & Gas Science and Technology – Rev. IFP*, Vol. 59 (2004)

# INDUSTRIAL ISSUES RELATED TO HEAVY FRACTIONS

RESPONSIBLE  
OIL AND GAS

## ● Bulk Properties

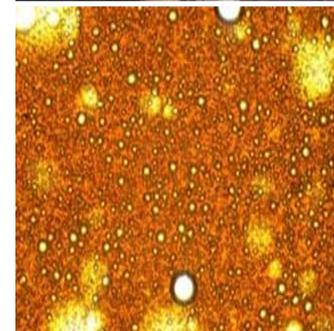
- Density
- Blackness
- Viscosities

## ● Stability / deposition

- Phase separation
- Transport
- (In)ability to diffuse in porous media
- Clogging (wellbore vicinity, catalyst, pipes..)

## ● Surface properties

- Emulsions Stability
- Affect rock wettability
- Inhibit hydrate plugs

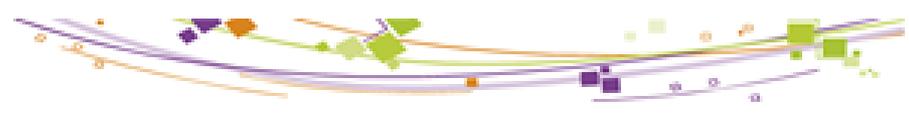


Properties

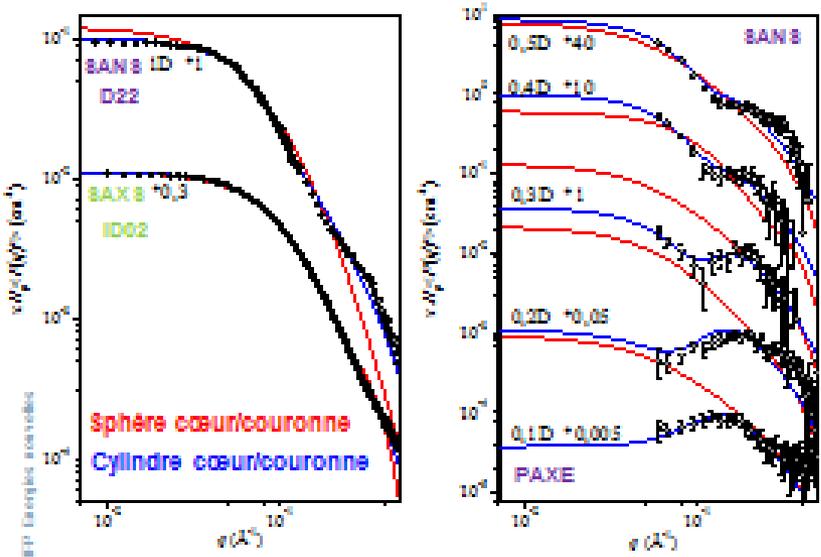


S.A.X/n/L.S  
X/n/L Reflectivity

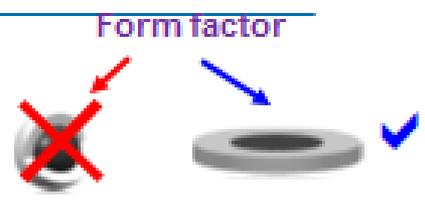
Structure



# Small scale structure



-  0,5D-0,5H
-  0,4D \*1,0
-  0,3D \*1
-  0,2D \*0,05
-  0,1D \*0,005
-  0,1D-0,9H



⇒ Mass : 10 000 g/mol  
 ⇒ Diffusion Coefficient :  $(1 \pm 0,2) \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

Sample environment and size are critical

# Science and Process Engineering of Agricultural Products

## Not only food !

Food

Plant growth

Cook @ home

INDUSTRY !

Digestion

Packaging

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Biotechs

Fermentation Starters

Synthons Biofuels

Extraction, Drying, freezing

Membranes

Processing: Mixing, heating, shearing

Polymer dynamics

Mixed systems

Rheology

Species Diffusion

Interfaces

- glass transition
- confinement
- large times

# MULTISCALE PROBLEMS

Food

Biotechs

Mixed systems

SANS - USANS  
(nm)  
<> Imaging ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

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ToF, NSE

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Rheo Kinetics

NSE  
SANS Imaging

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# Various components

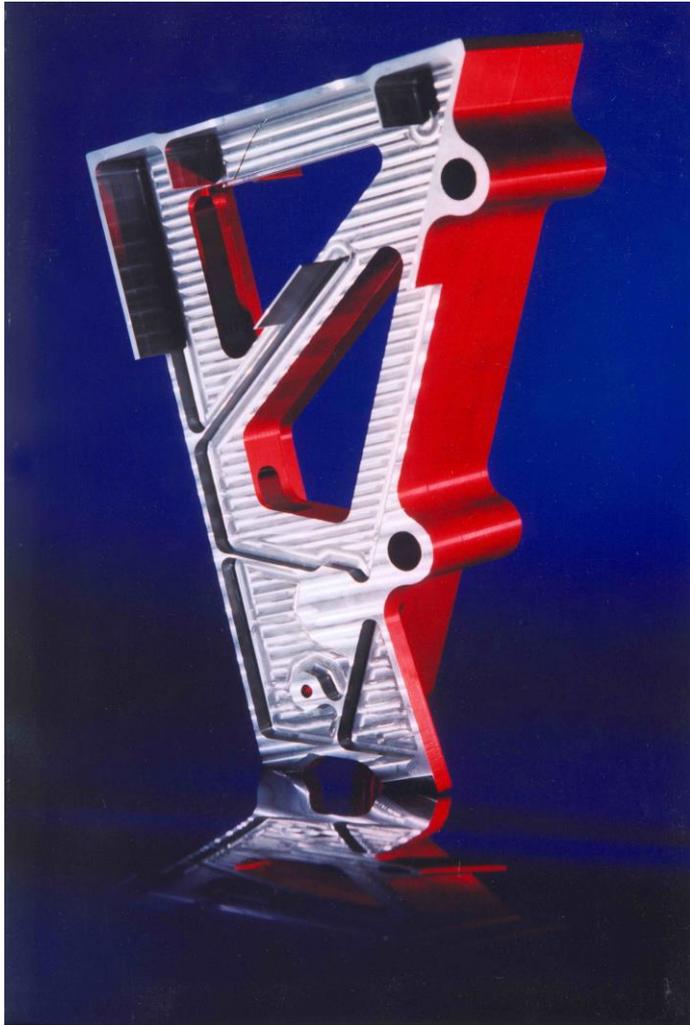
- Polysaccharides : starch, cellulose
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- Proteins (structure: meat, plant; function: enzymes, bioactive peptides)
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- All sizes
  - All mixed
  - All interact !
- Same as soft matter!
  - < > « noble » biology : more sample (quantities)!

# Residual stress measurement

Technique often depends on the value of the problem, or, more accurately, the budget available to solve the problem



- £10<sup>2</sup>
  - Can I stop using this production step that costs £1 per part?
- £10<sup>3</sup>
  - I have a new problem with components failing a residual stress acceptance criterion
- £10<sup>4</sup>
  - I have a critical residual stress problem on a product development path

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- £10<sup>5</sup>
  - I have a major development programme where the residual stresses are critical

**but the value could be.....**

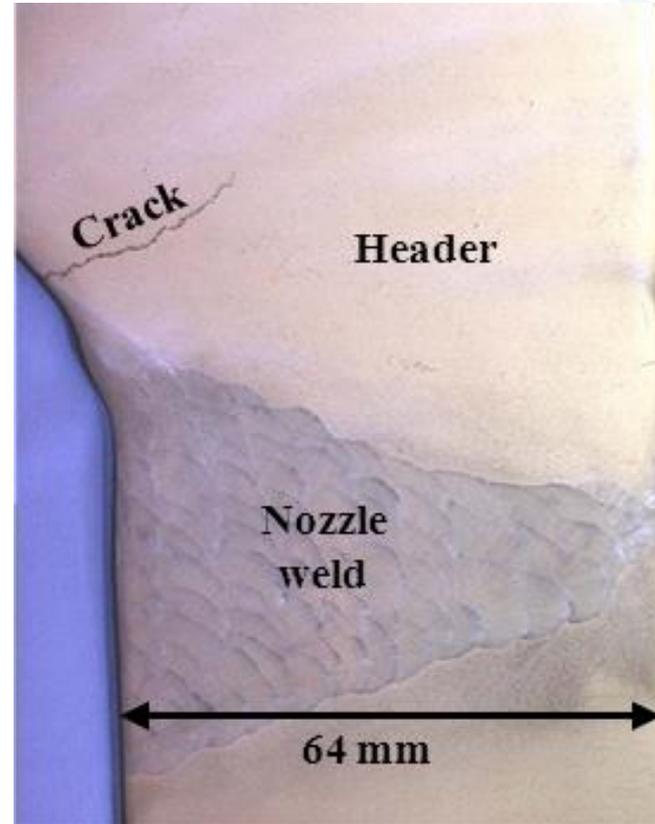
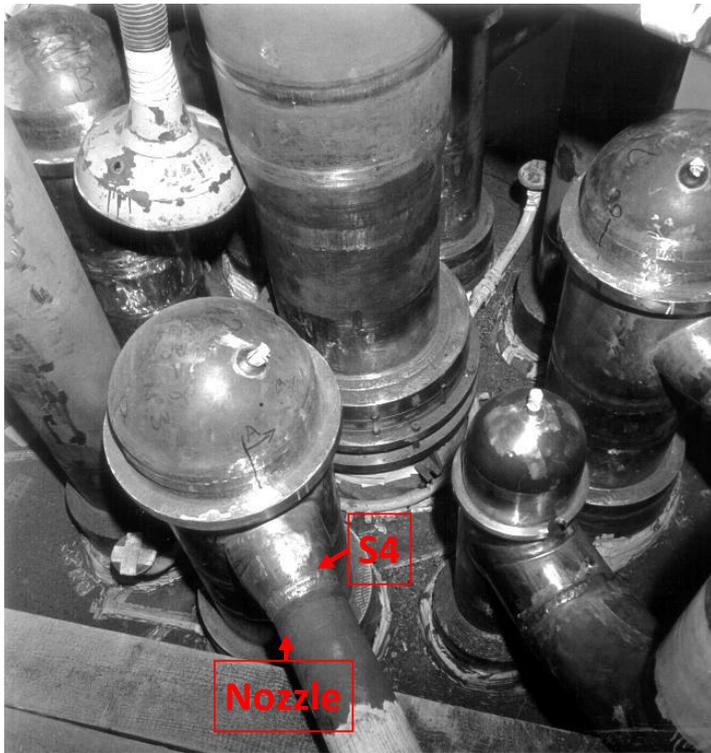
- £10<sup>7</sup> - 10<sup>8</sup>
  - If I can't prove it's safe this power plant will be closed down / aircraft will be grounded or development stalled



# Typical costs

- Surface X-rays  $£10^2$  -  $£10^3$
  - Incremental hole drilling  $£10^2$  -  $£10^3$
  - Neutrons, synchrotron X-rays, contour method  $£10^4$  -  $£10^5$
  - Deep Hole Drilling
- 
- Access to neutron and synchrotron facilities is not prohibitively expensive because
    - Possible to collaborate with the facilities or university groups to study the engineering science underpinning an application problem
    - Staffing associated with sample preparation, characterization, experimentation and analysis are often the highest costs, even for “simple” measurements

# Study of creep cavitation



→ **Material:**

Type 316H austenitic stainless steel

→ **Service History:**

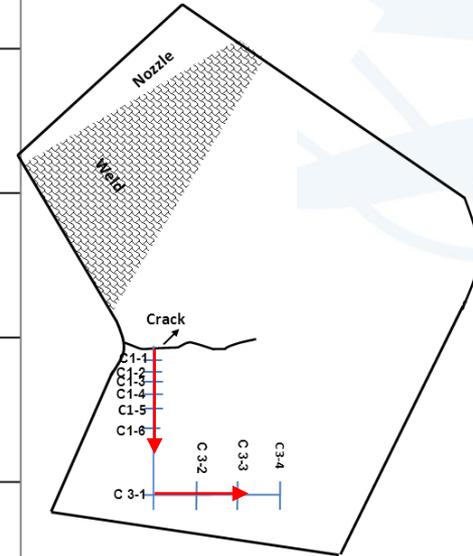
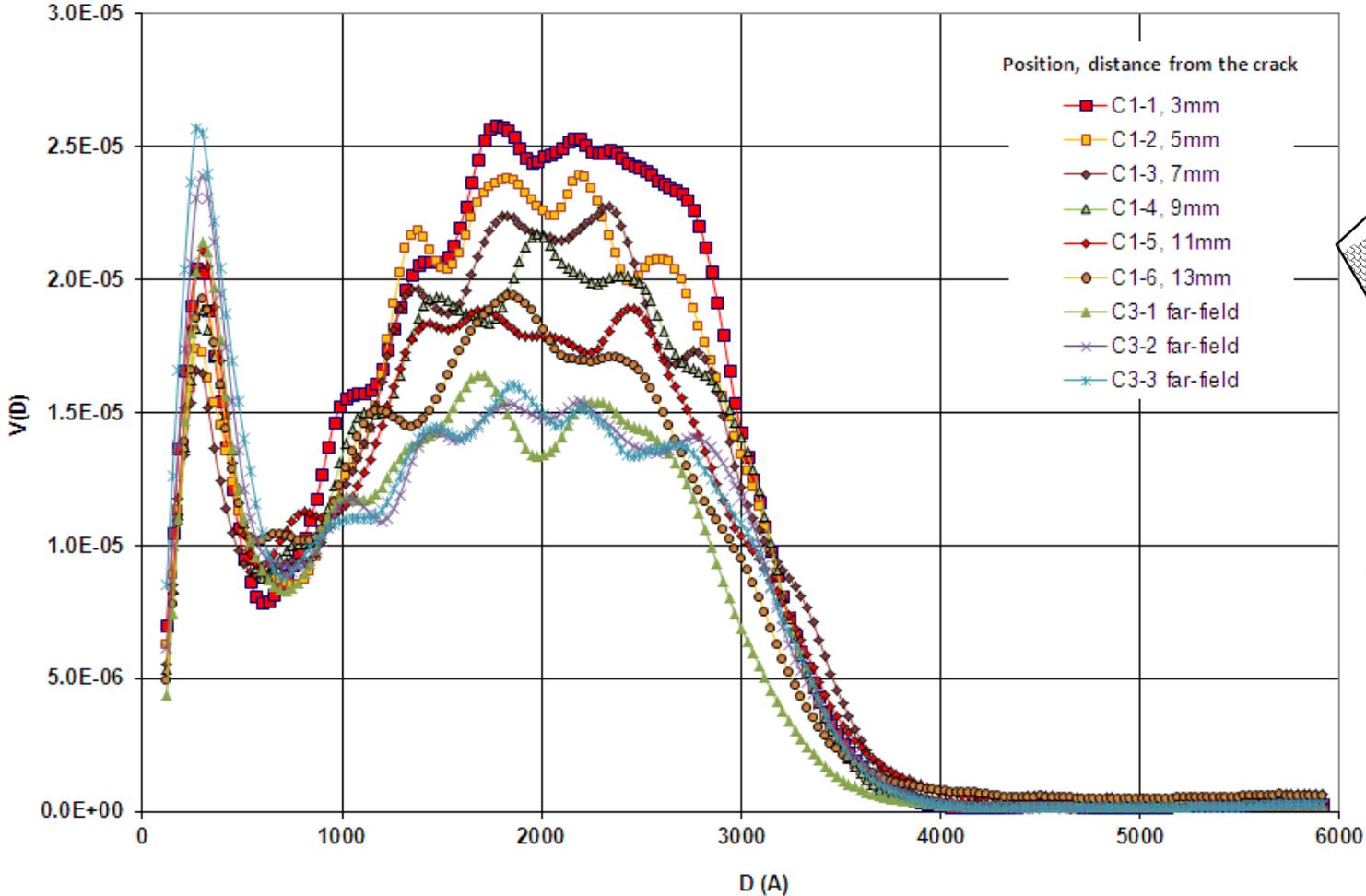
525°C for 65,000 hours

→ **Crack length:** <28mm



# SANS results

$V(D)$  v  $D$  at different locations along a line normal to the crack and 5 mm away from the crack mouth (*opp. weld*) & also far-field regions (*using 5mm dia. disc aperture*)

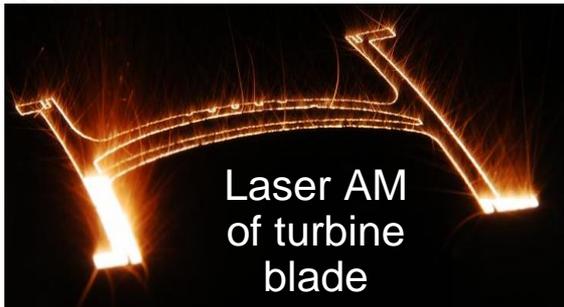


○ Increase in the relative volume fraction of defects  $V(D)$  approaching the crack.

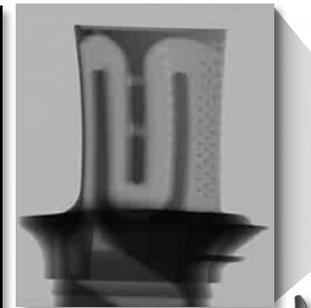
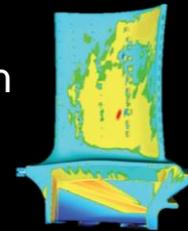
# Supporting new energy-efficient manufacturing - Laser additive manufacturing (AM)

Enables low-cost manufacturing of turbines with optimized internal cooling structures

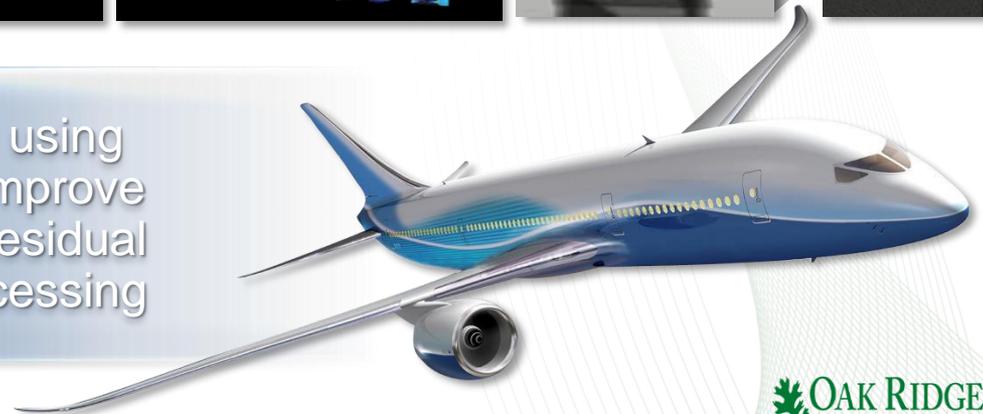
Creates large residual stress and other distortions



Profilometry map of distortion



ORNL and Morris Technologies are using neutron scattering and imaging to improve understanding of the link between residual stress distortions and laser AM processing



# Some take home messages

- Neutrons provide a different part of the information
  - Sometimes a critical part, sometimes not
- Materials science research is tending towards areas where neutrons are strong
  - Energy (mobile Li, H); soft matter (H, low energy dynamics)
- Neutrons have been and will be critical for discovery and characterization of emergent phenomena in complex systems
  - Magnetic skyrmions, magnetic monopoles, Weyl Fermions, quantum magnetism
- In the past neutrons have been critical for verifying techniques and concepts that can then be applied in other fields – this will not change
- There is a good mix of basic and applied research
- Capacity is as big an issue as capability
- We need to rethink access modes (fast access, dedicated instruments, programs)
  - E.g. RS2E (Research Network on Electrochemical Energy Storage)
- Size matters! Bulk analysis is often a requirement

# Thanks to the participants!

