



Modelling the influence of clustered defects on HCF properties of Ni-based superalloys

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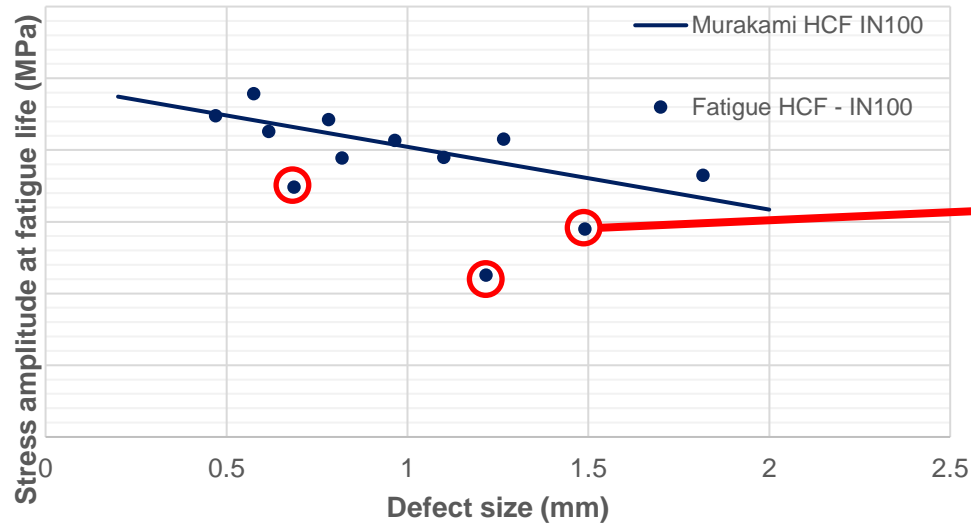


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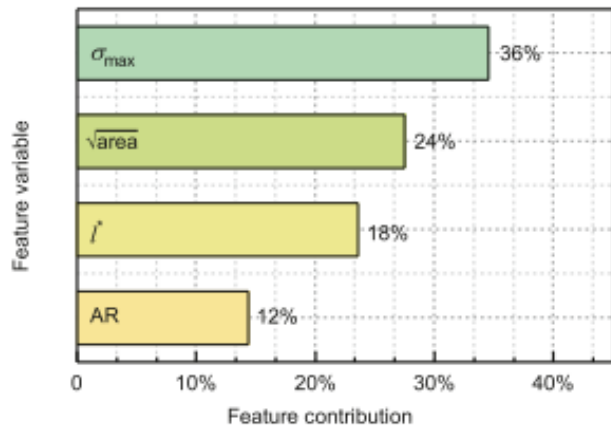
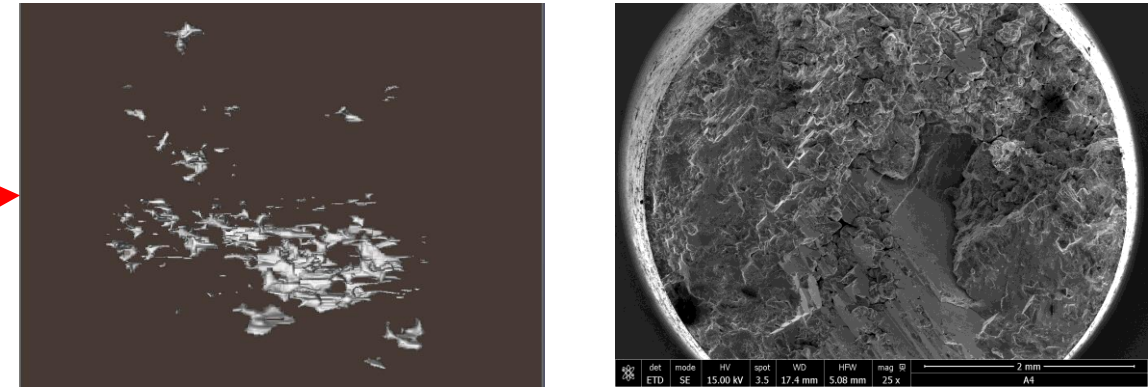


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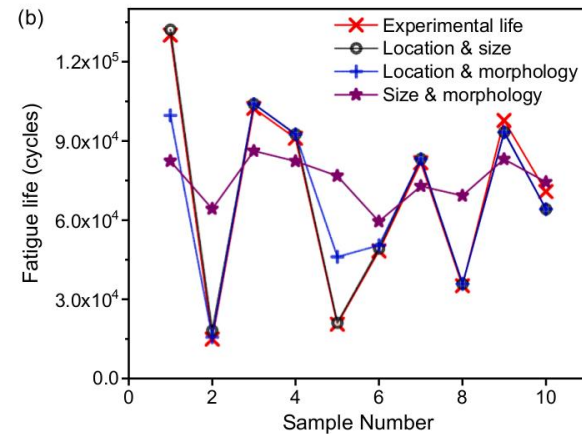
Kitagawa- Takahashi diagram: Fatigue life vs defect size



Clustered defects



Ref: Peng et al (2022)

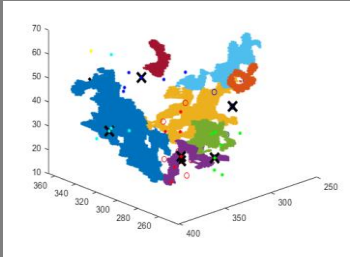


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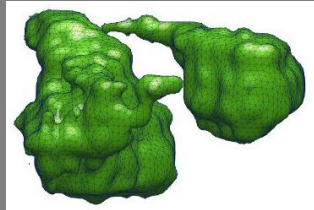
Influence of other defect characteristics ?
 Estimate contributions of features for a better calibrated model

Introduction: Global strategy

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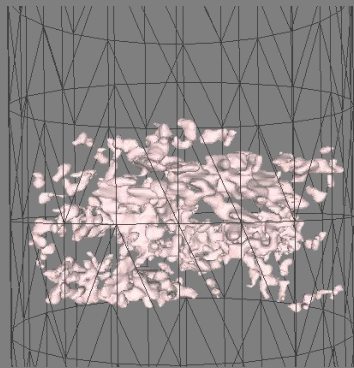


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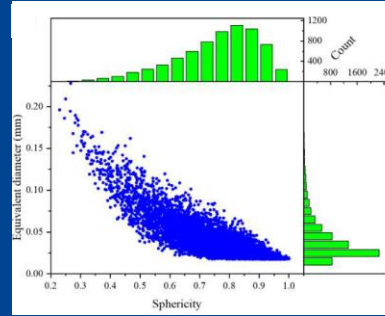


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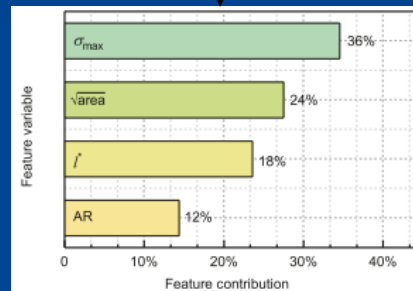
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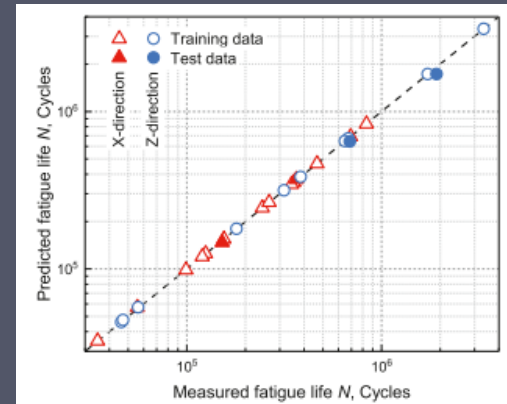


Numerical simulations followed by statistical analysis



Estimate influence of defect characteristics on HCF

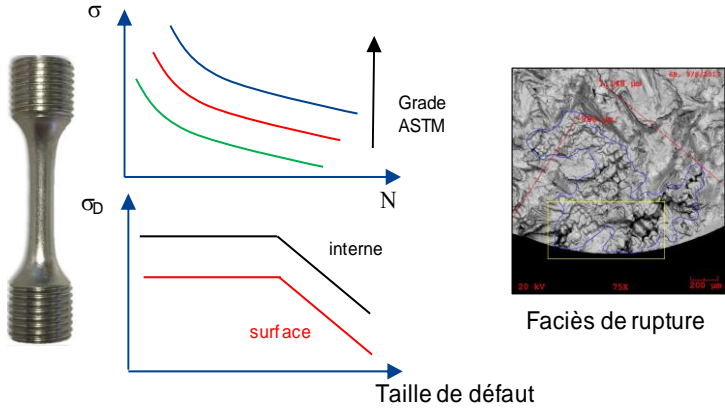
Fatigue Model



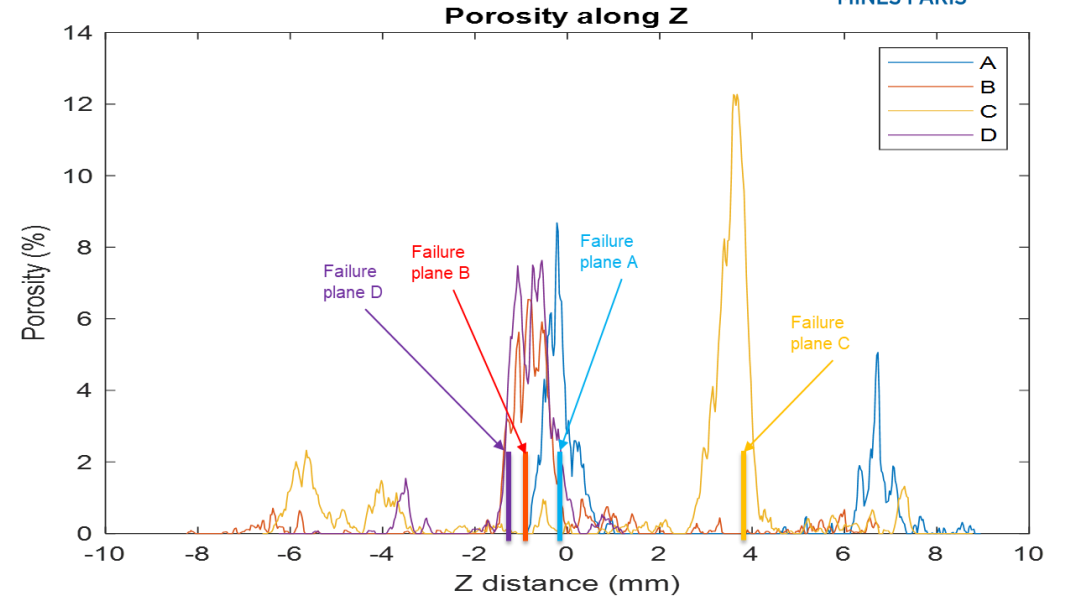
Develop a model on the basis of statistics of defects, CND criteria via a probabilistic approach

Image-based FE model to estimate fatigue life

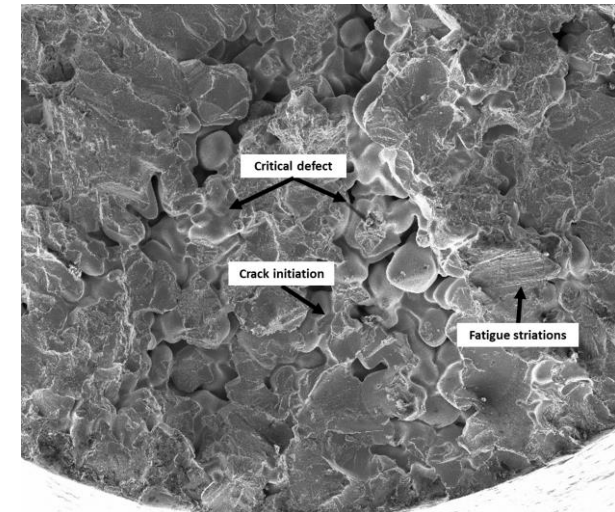
Experimental campaign



Material: Inconel 100
Test temperature: 750 °C
Load ratio: R = 0
Grains: Equiaxed



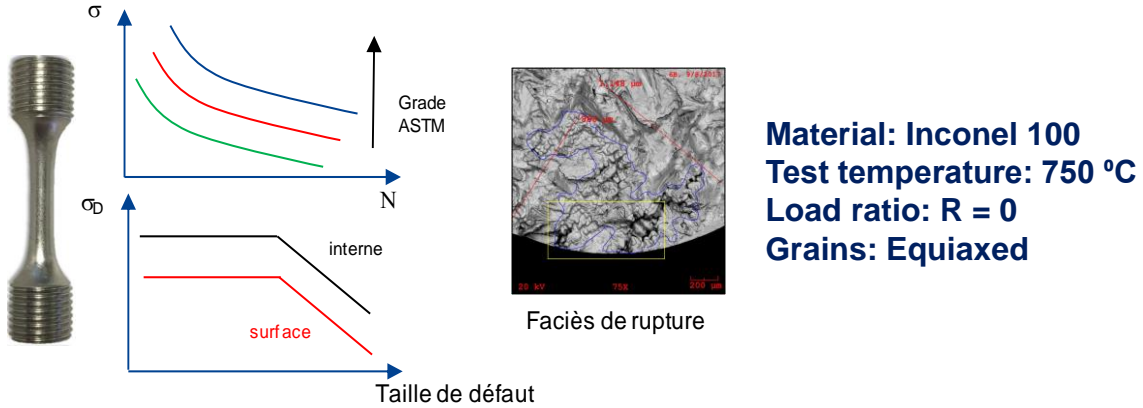
All samples failed in the zone of clustered defects due to one critical defect



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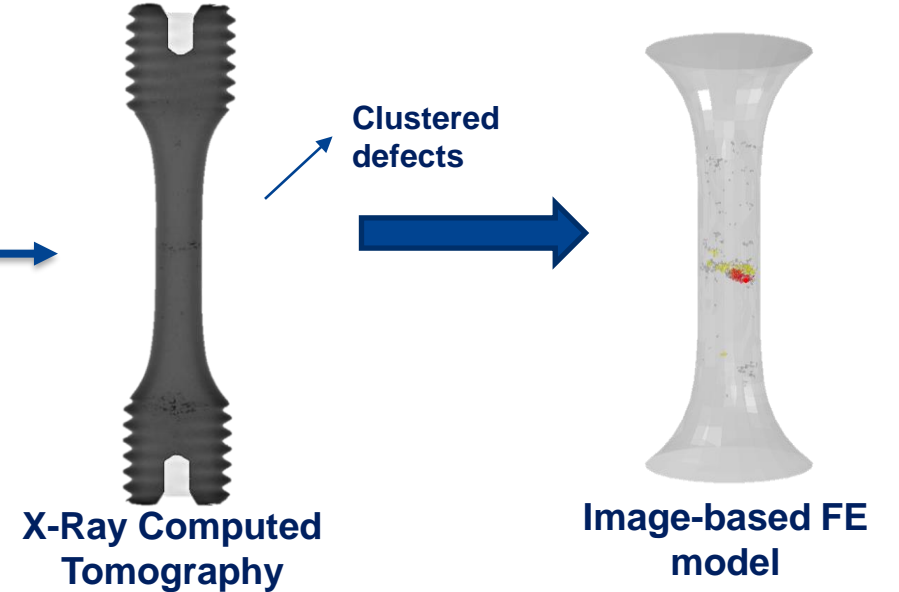
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Numerical campaign



- Numerical simulations at same conditions as experiments
- EVP behavior law with kinematic hardening
- Fatigue loads of 20 cycles until hysteresis loop stabilizes



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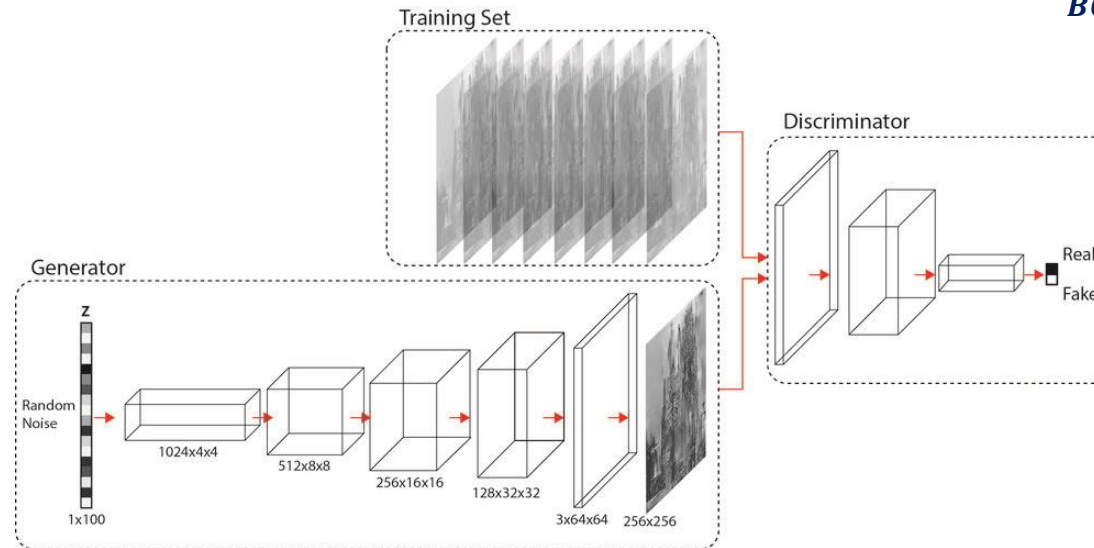
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Generative Adversarial Networks

Functionalities

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- Image transformation from one dimension to other

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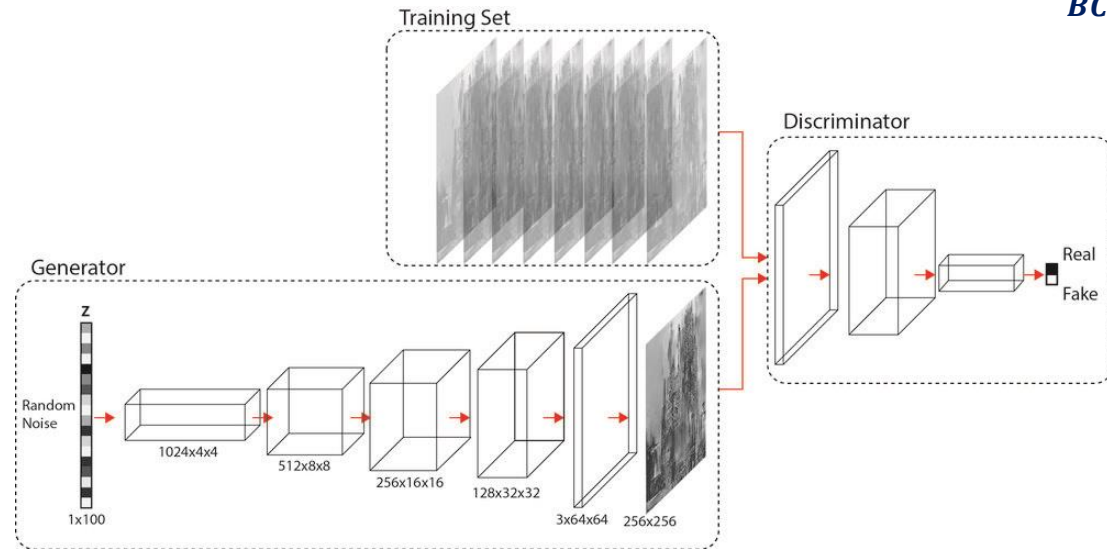
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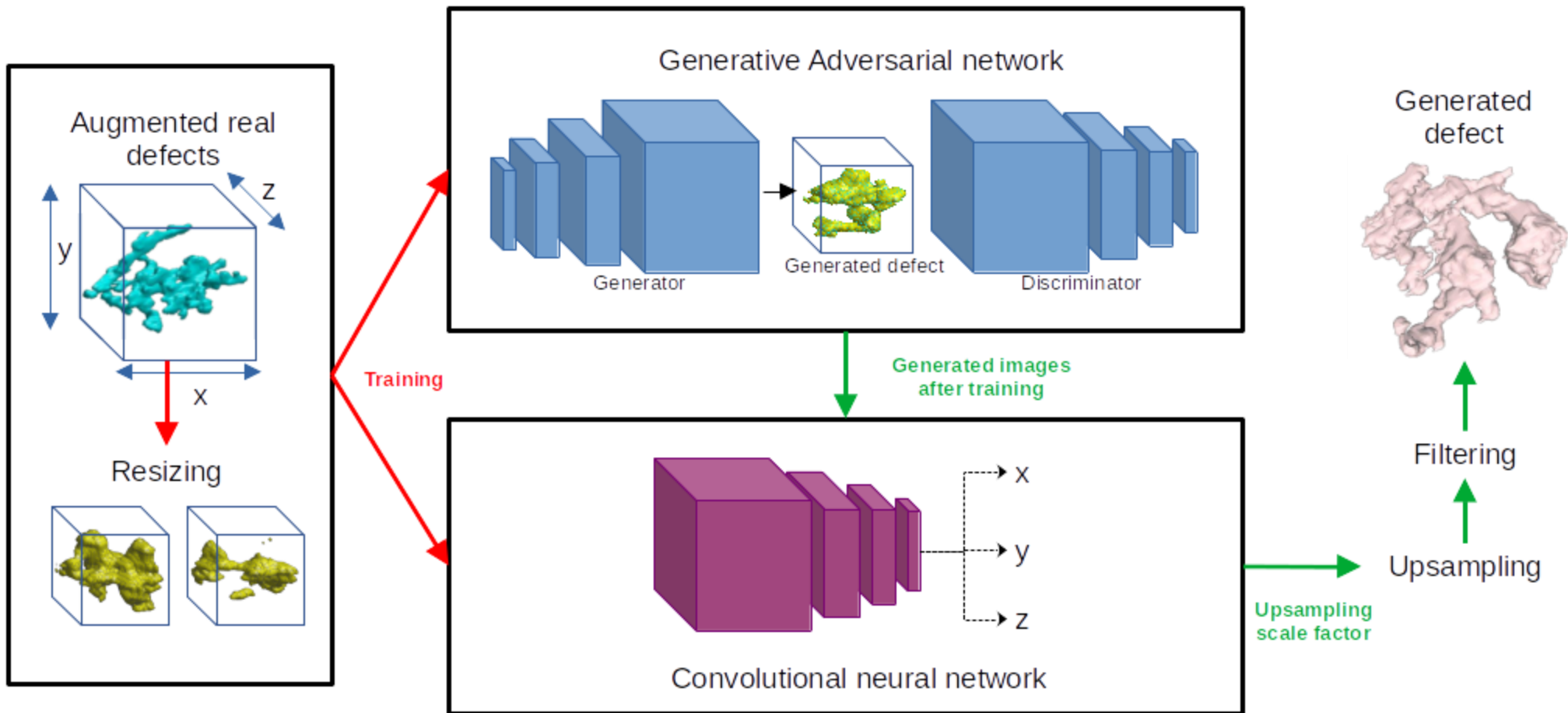
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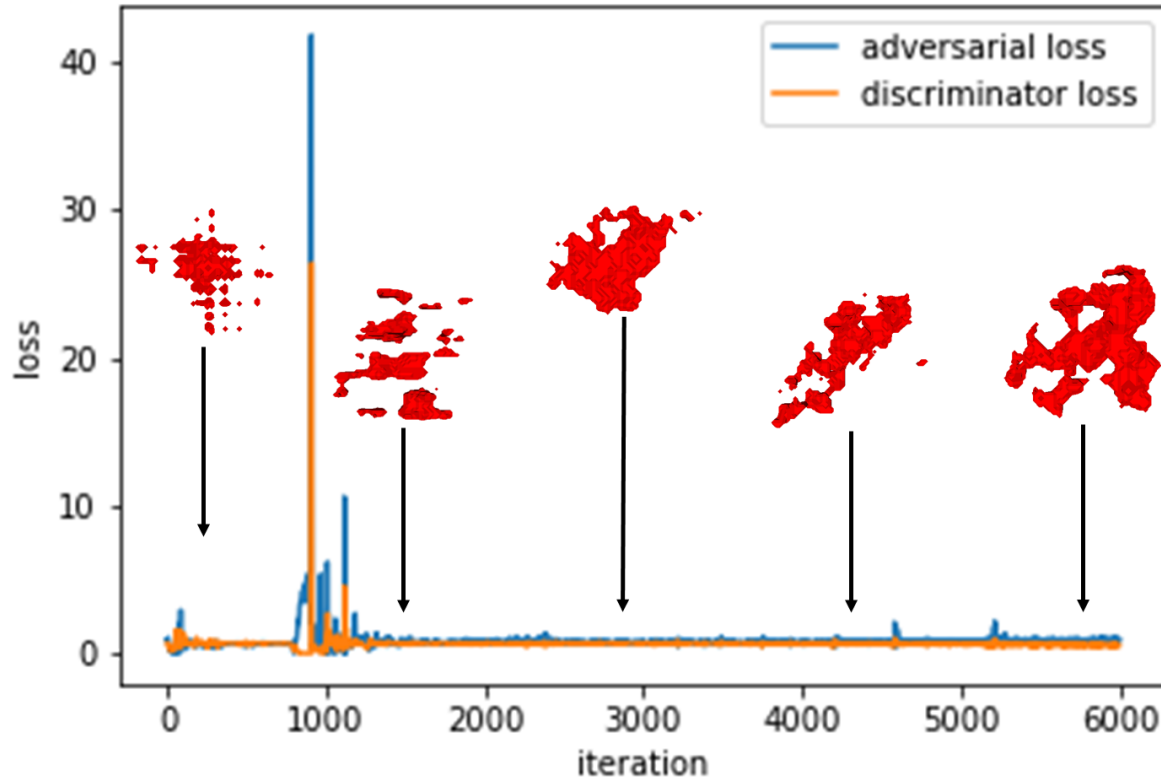
$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \min_G \max_D (\mathbb{E}_x [\log(D(x))] + \mathbb{E}_z [\log(1 - D(G(z)))]$$

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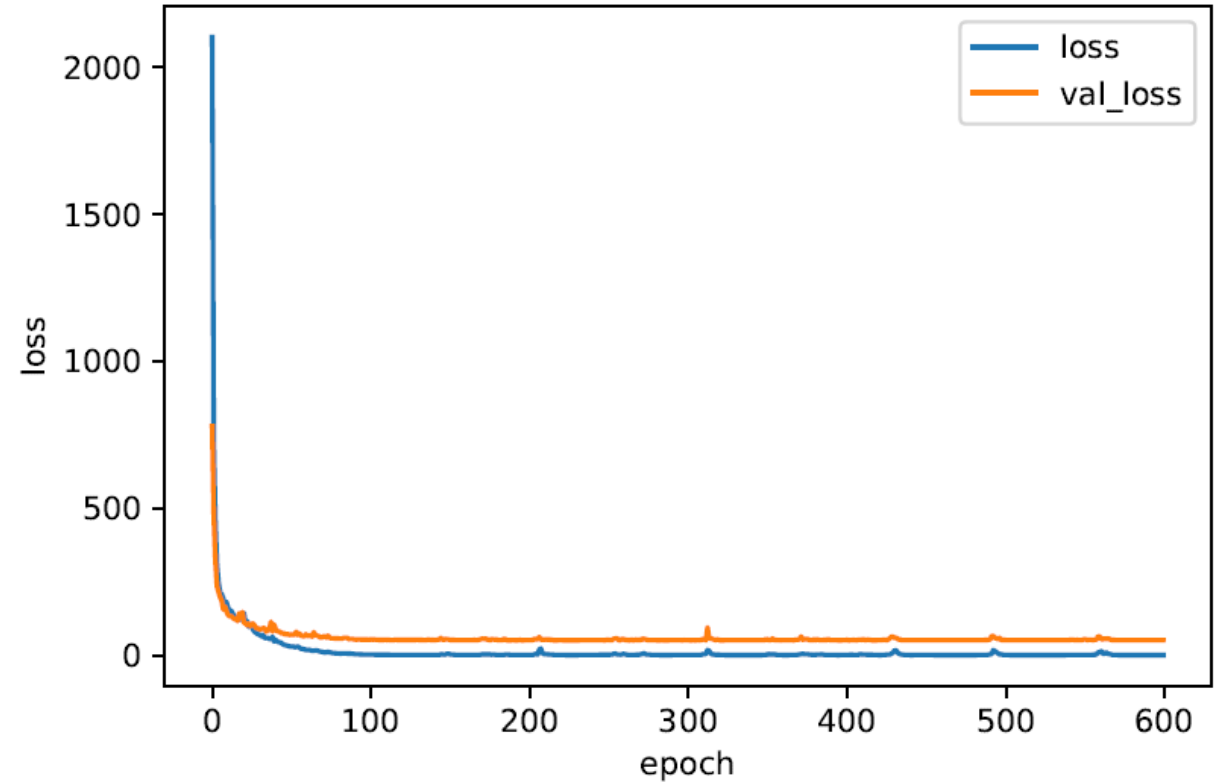


Generative Adversarial Networks: Loss history

GAN



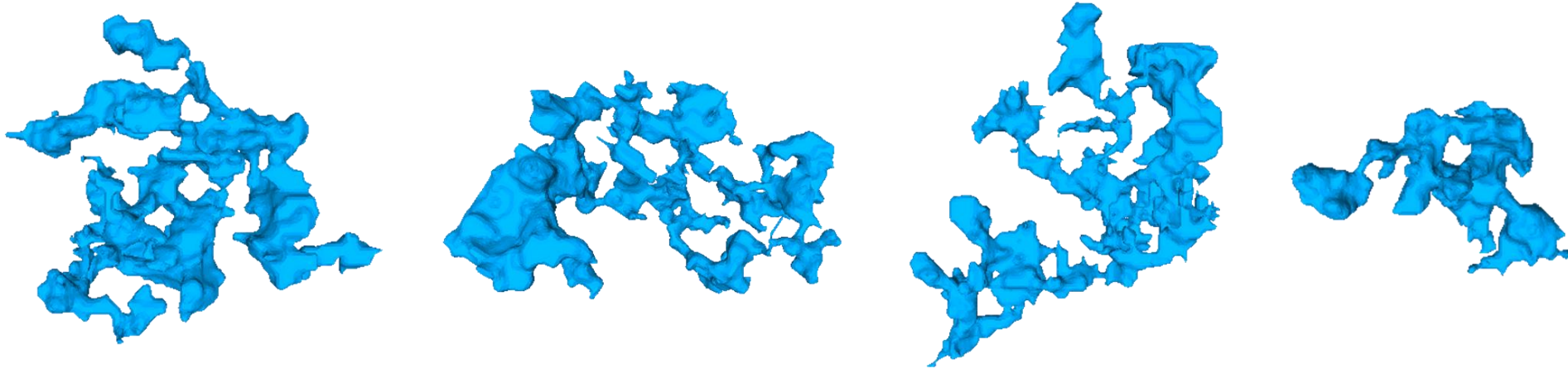
CNN for size prediction



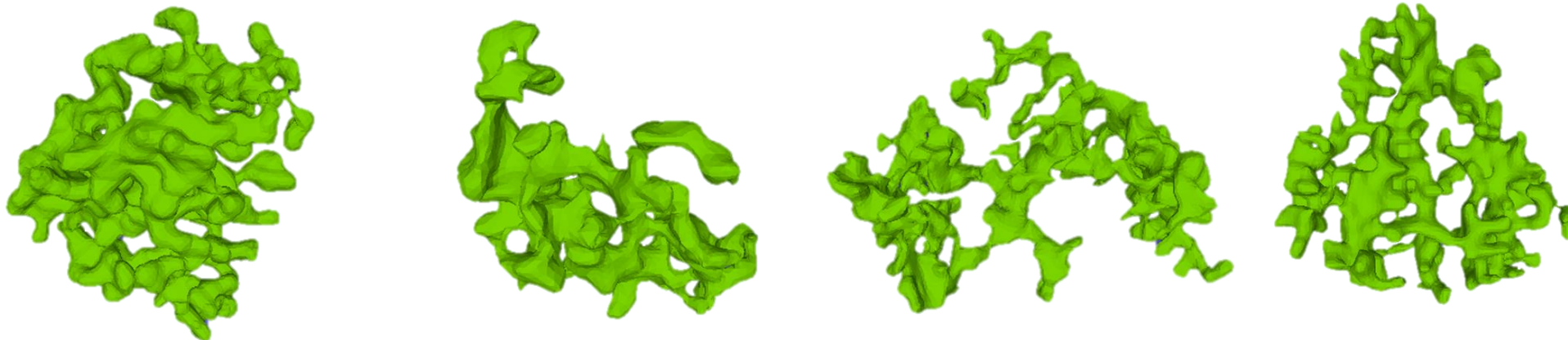
Modifications – GAN :-

- One sided label smoothing – addition of noise to labels
- Generator trained k times than discriminator to maintain balance between D and G

Generative Adversarial Networks: Examples



Generated Shrinkages



Real Shrinkages

Spatial point pattern (SPP) Analysis

Ripley's K-function :-

Second order moment function that includes all distance pairs in a spatial pattern

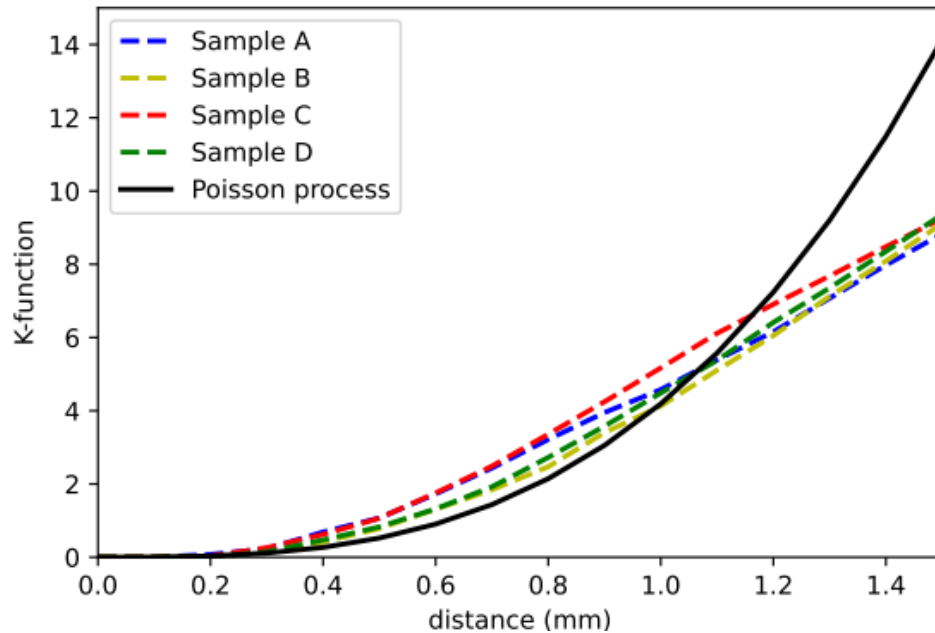
$$K(d) = \lambda^{-1} E(\text{number of points within distance } d \text{ of a single arbitrary event})$$

Where $\lambda \rightarrow$ intensity or mean number of events in unit space

In 3-D $\lambda = \text{Number of points} / \text{Volume}$

$E \rightarrow$ Expected number of events in a length r

$K(d) \rightarrow$ K-function



Compare spatial pattern analysis with poisson process to investigate local clustering

Equation :-

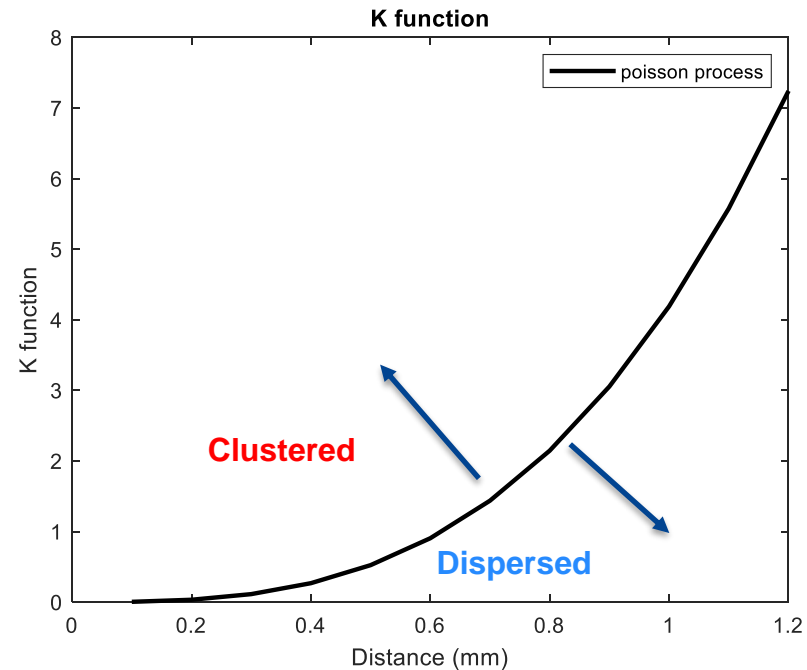
$$K(d) = \frac{V}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{i \neq j}^N \frac{I(r_{ij} < d)}{N}$$

Where, $N \rightarrow$ Number of points

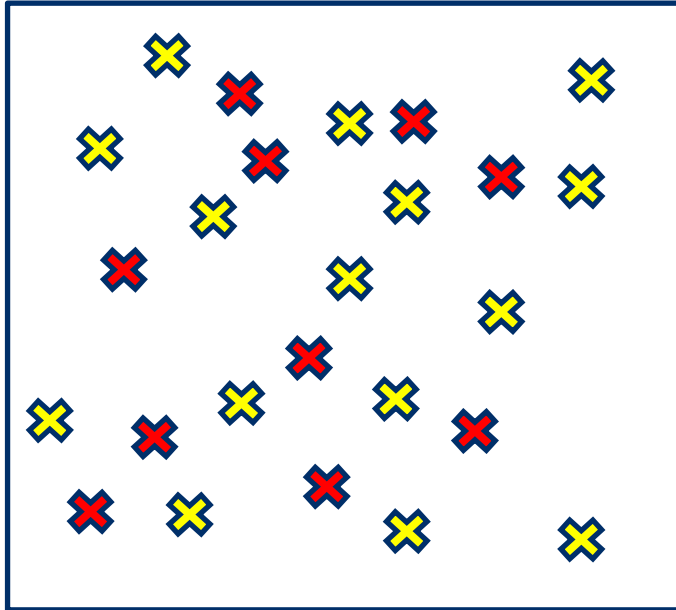
$$I \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } r_{ij} < d \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\frac{V}{N} \rightarrow$ 1 / (Intensity)

$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{i \neq j}^N \frac{I(r_{ij} < d)}{N} \rightarrow$ Expected number of points



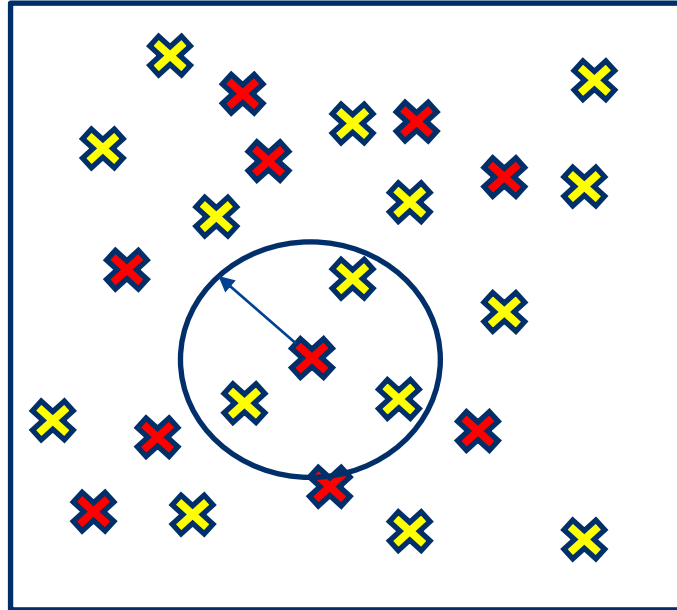
SPP Analysis: Neyman Scott Process



✘ → Parent defect (type 1)

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❌ → Parent defect (type 1)

⚡ → Child defect (type 2)

Splitting the defects into two categories assumes that both are different SPP process

Ripley's K function for two types of defect given as K_{11} and K_{22}

Interaction between two processes : Cross K-function

$$K_{12}(d) = (\lambda_1 \lambda_2 V)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} I(r_{ij} < d)$$

Where, λ_1 and λ_2 are intensities of type 1 and 2
 N_1 and N_2 are number of points of type 1 and 2



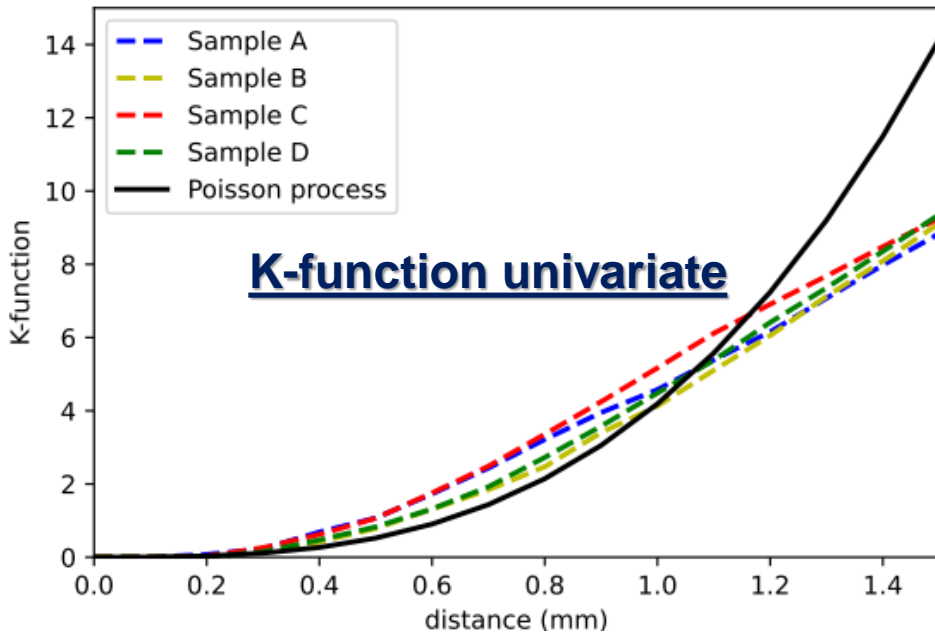
Bivariate K-function

$$K(r) = \begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} \\ K_{21} & K_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

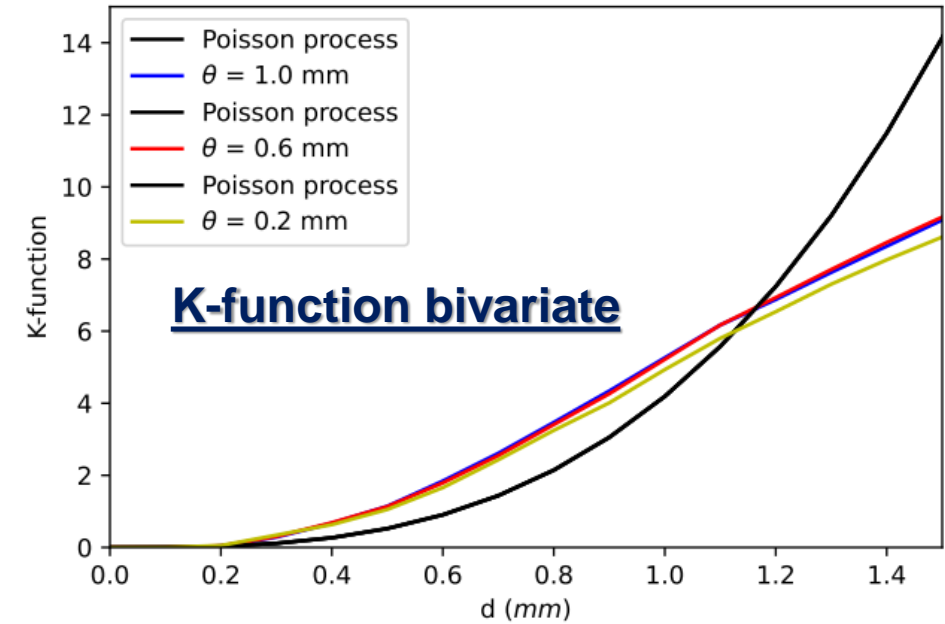
Introduction of parameter θ

- θ corresponds to defect size.
- Defects are classified with respect to θ as either type 1 or type 2
- For e.g., if $\theta = 0.6$ mm, all defects with size below θ belongs to type 1 and the rest type 2.

Spatial point pattern Analysis

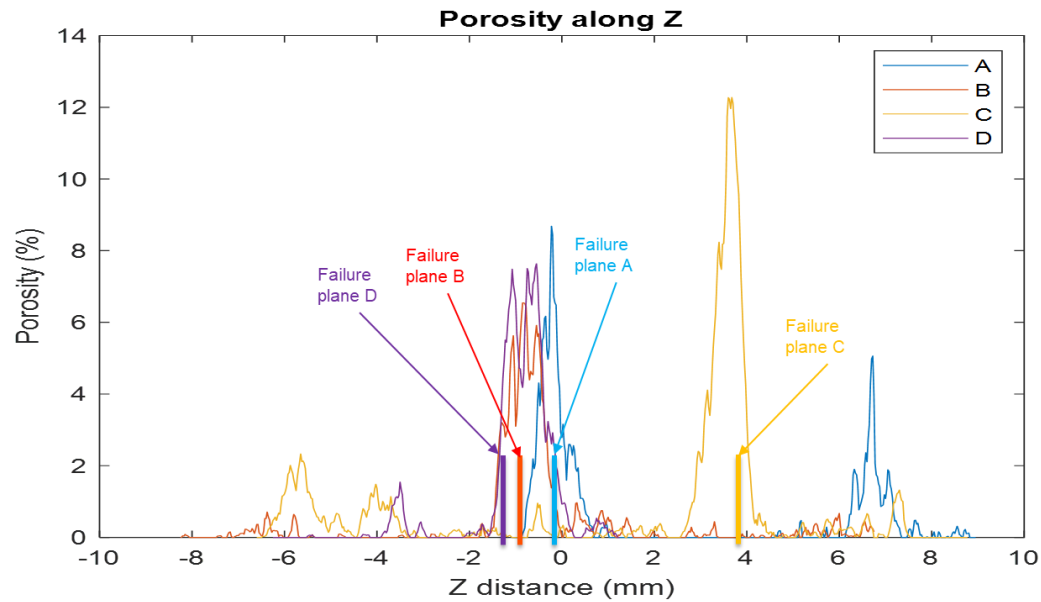


- Clustering pattern observed in all samples
- In-homogenous process required for generation

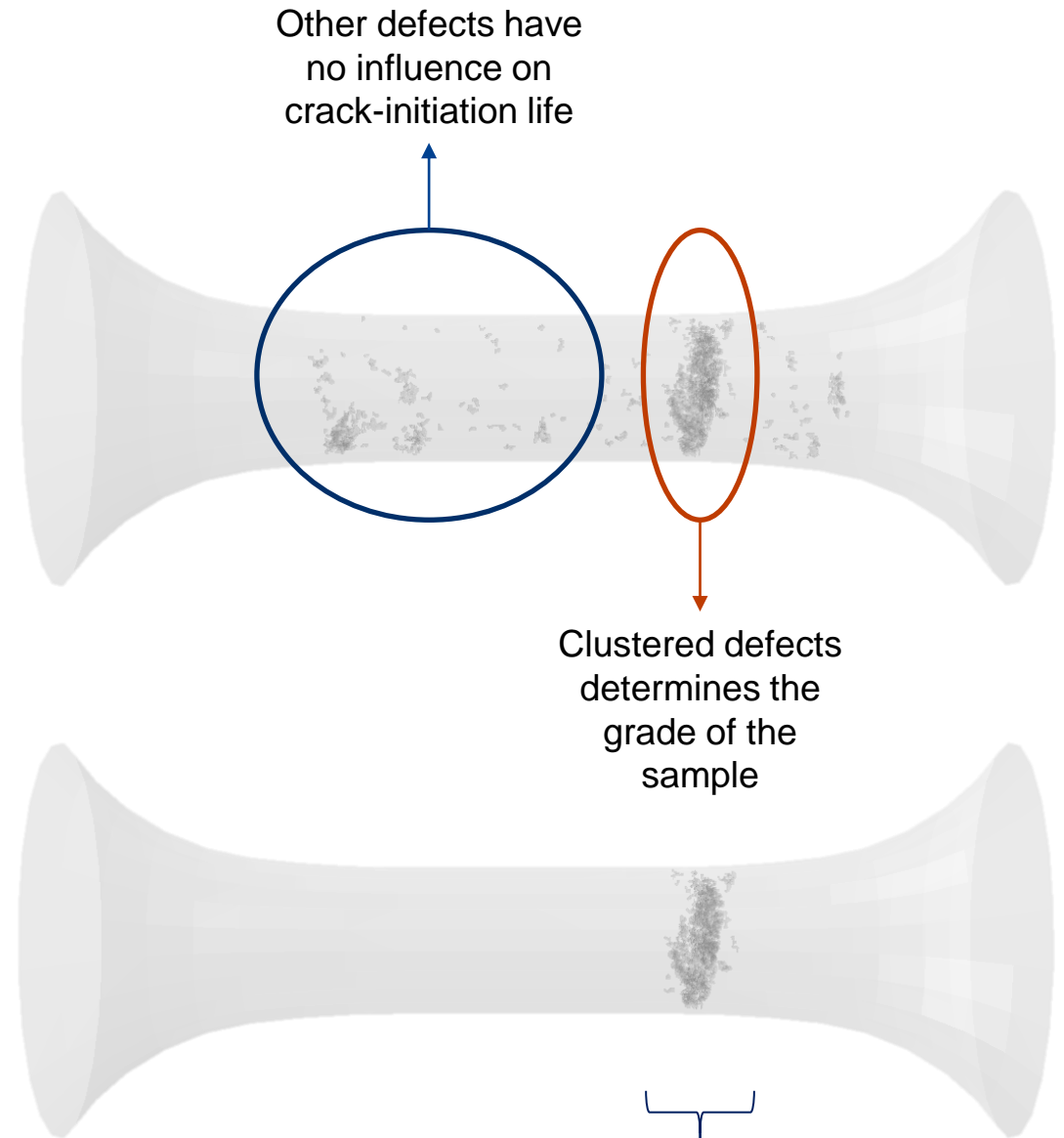


- Defects larger than 0.6 mm are added first
- Defects smaller than 0.6 mm are added around larger defects – **Neyman-Scott process**

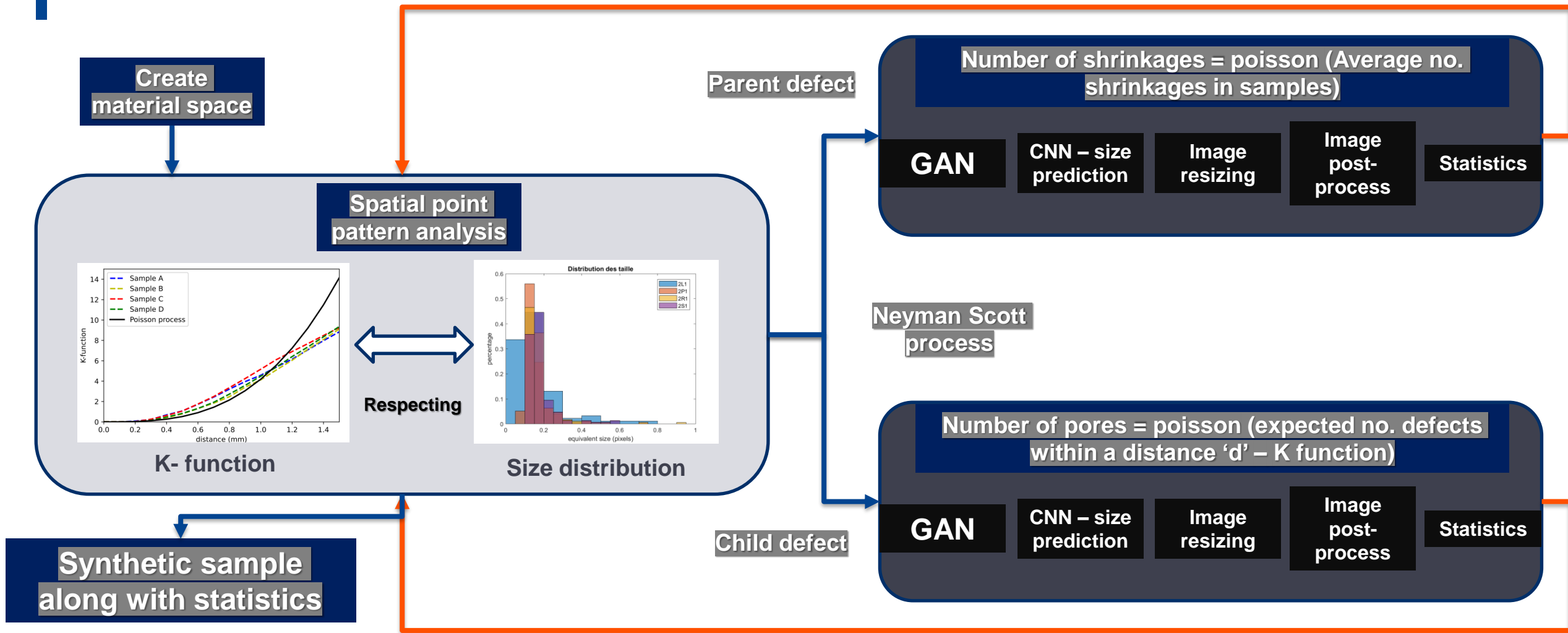
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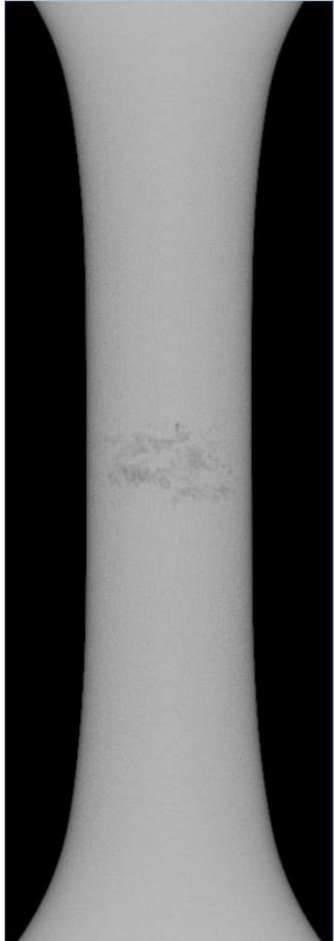
Generation of only clustered region : **Material space**



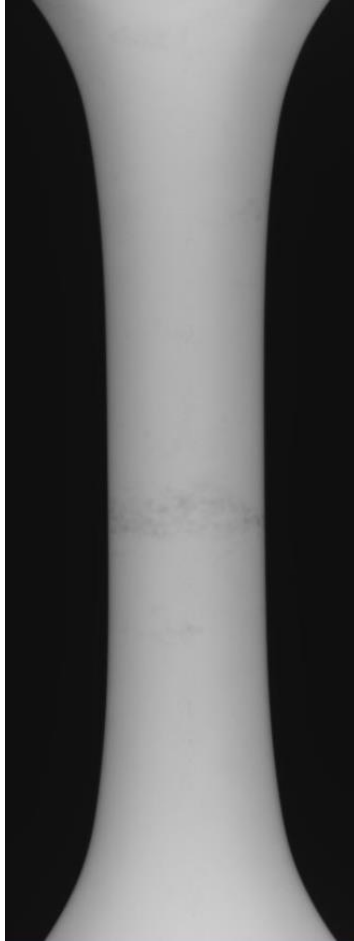
COMPLETE CHAIN



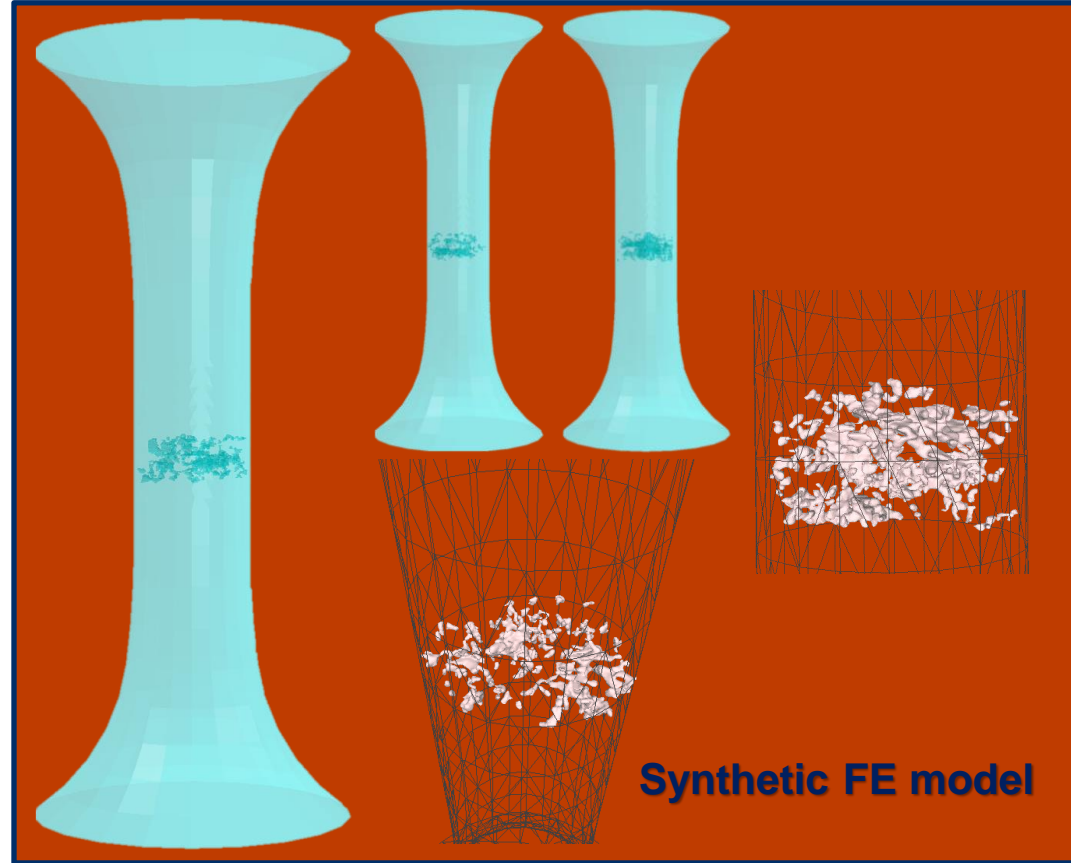
Examples



a) Synthetic microstructure



b) Real microstructure



Synthetic FE model

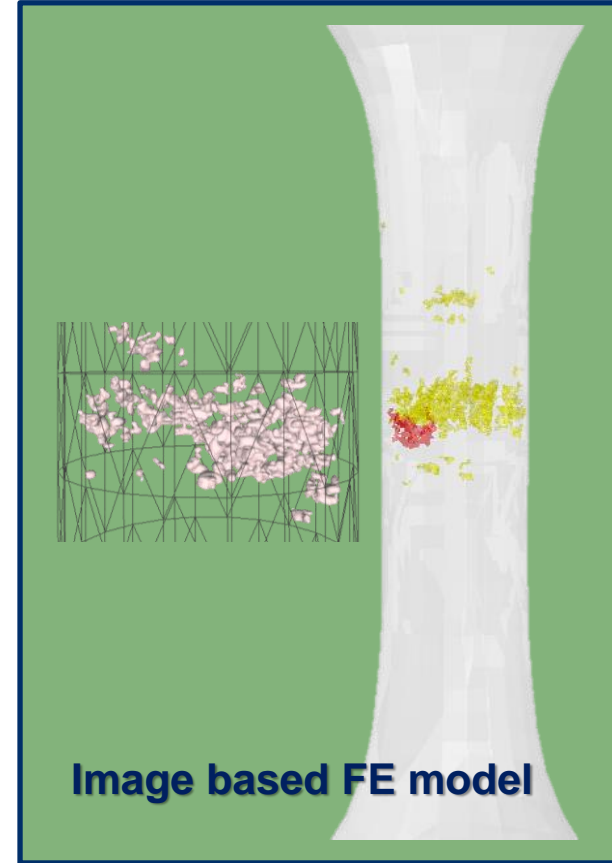
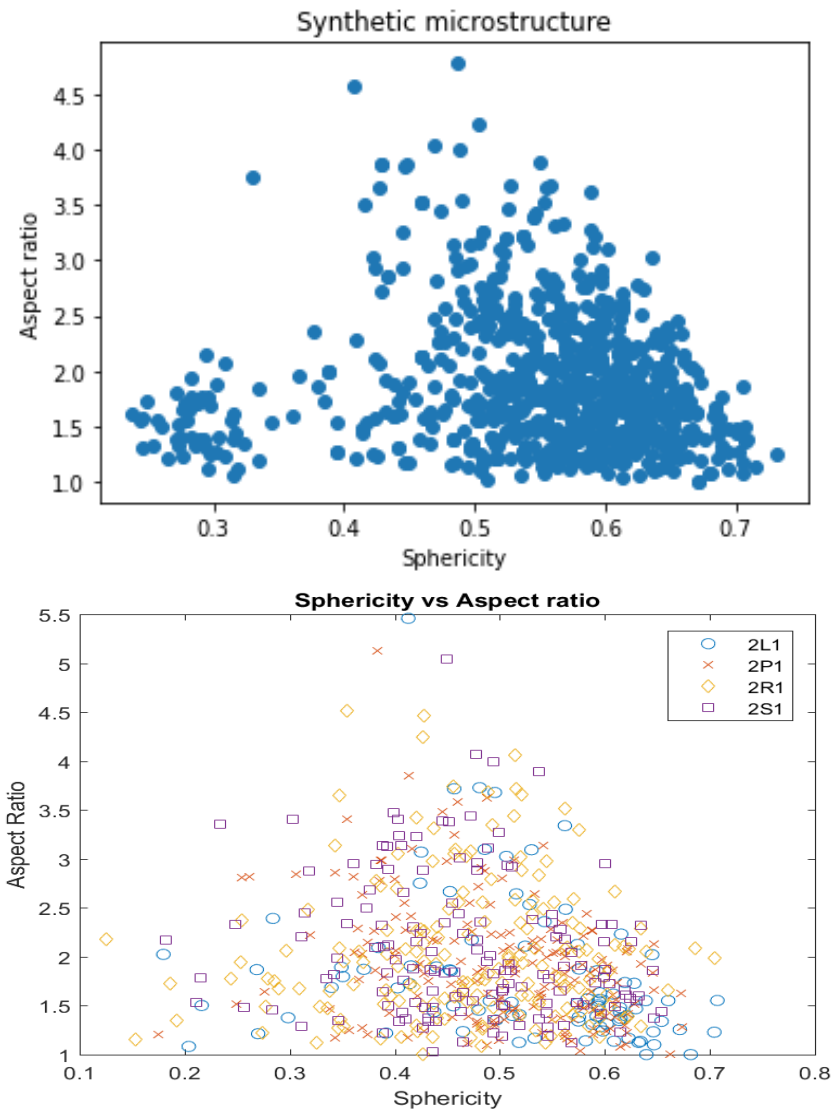


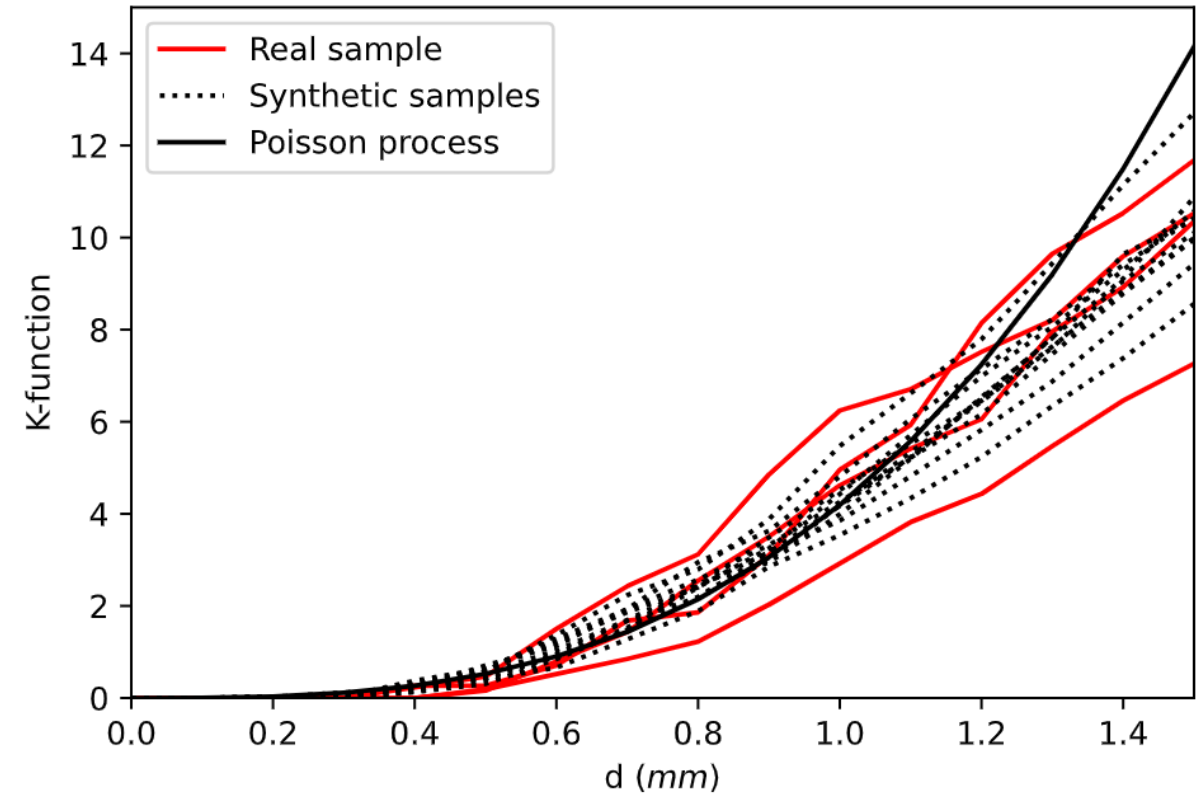
Image based FE model

Synthetic microstructure – Global statistical validation and comparison

Sphericity vs Aspect ratio

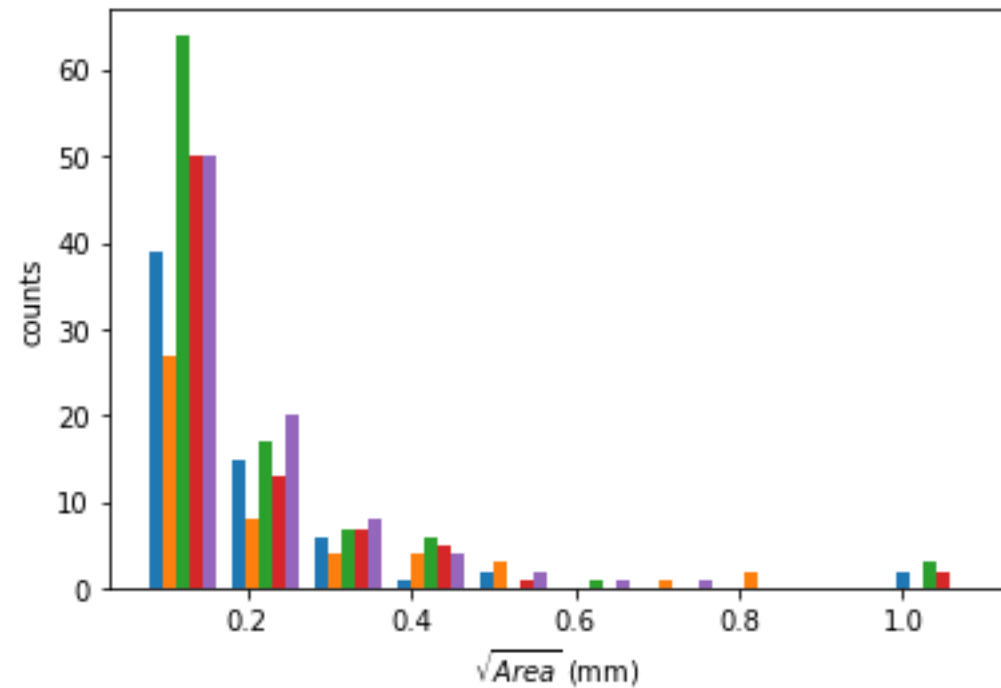


Spatial point pattern : cross K-function

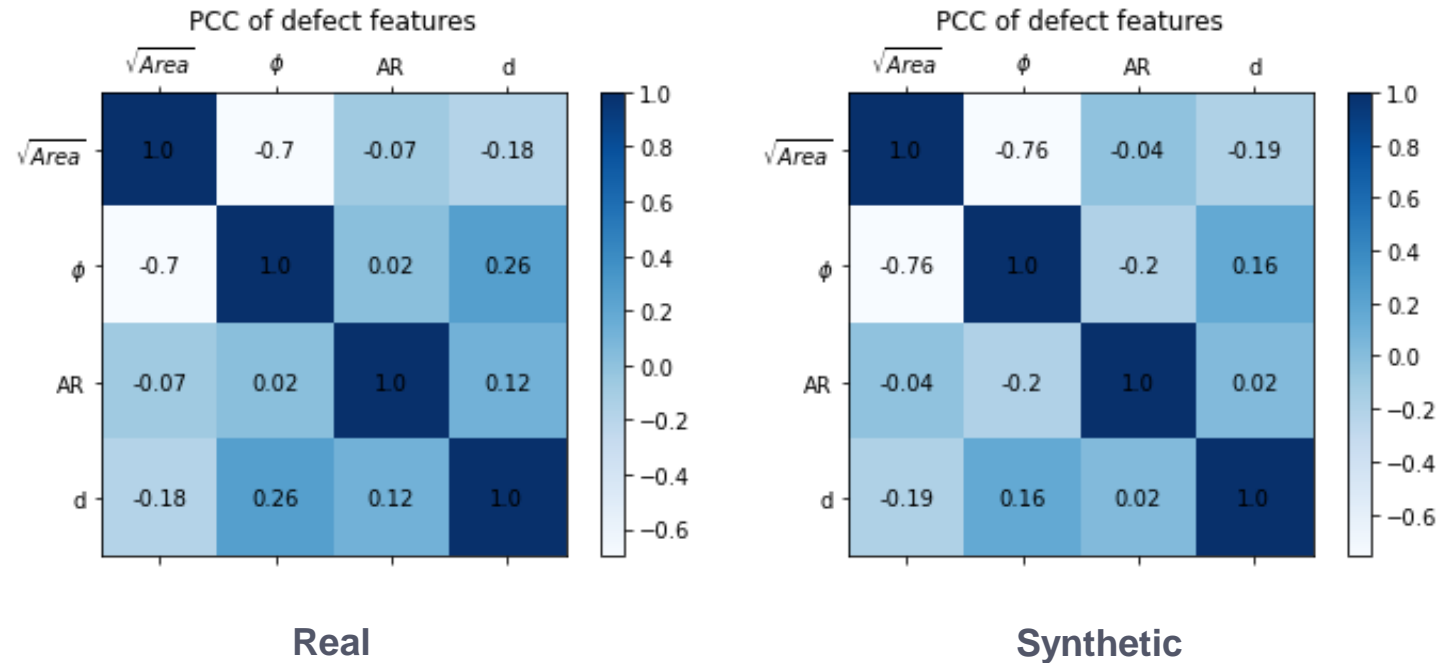


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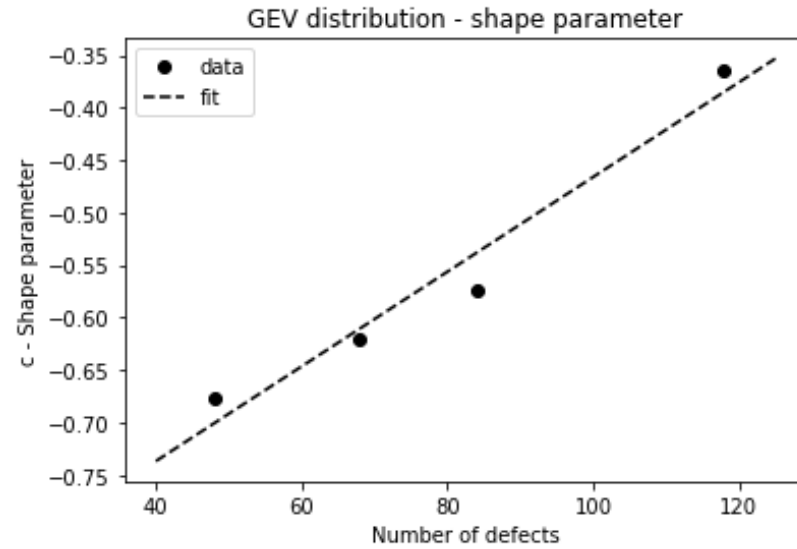
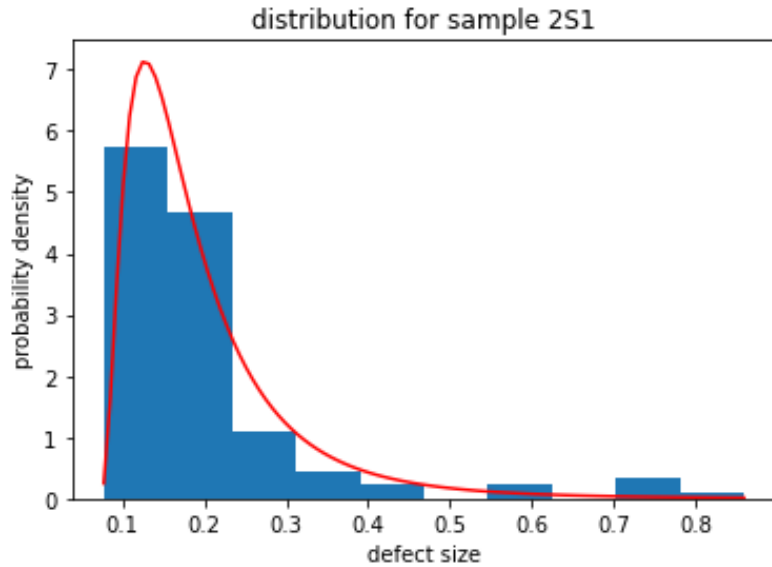
Defect size distribution for 5 synthetic microstructure



PCC of synthetic and real microstructure



Synthetic samples – selon ASTM



For each synthetic sample, the defect size distribution changes as per shape parameter

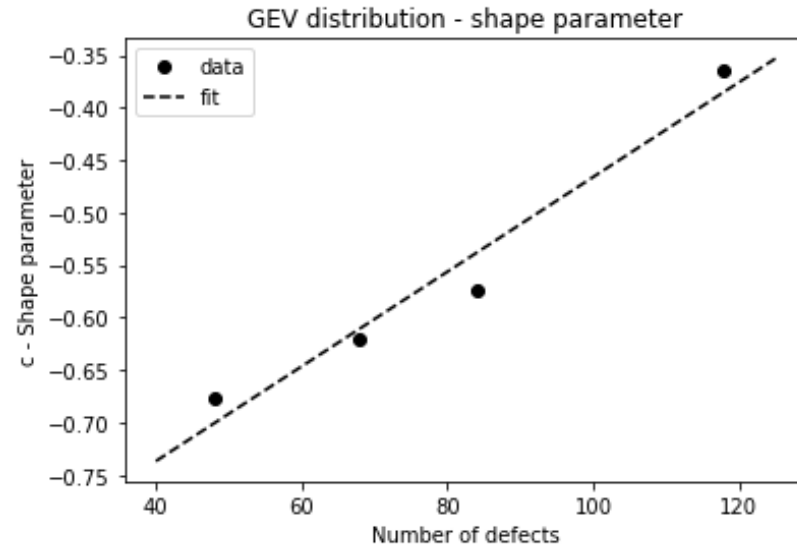
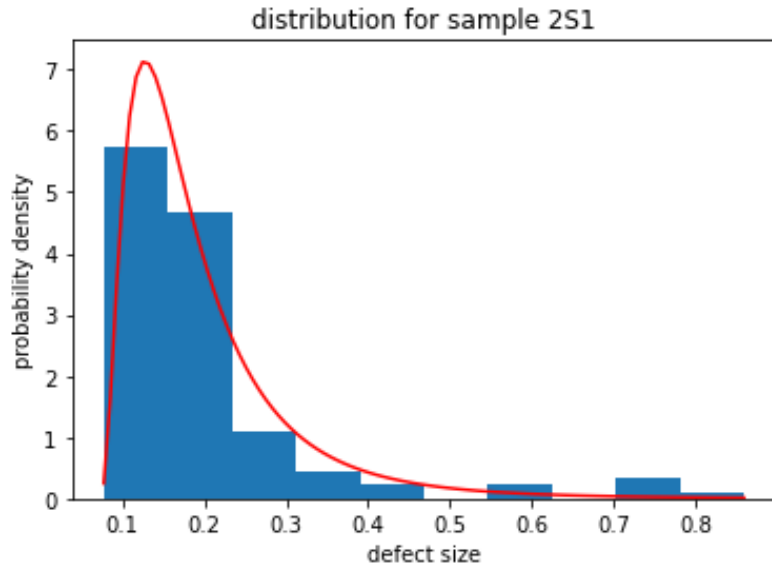
Generalized extreme value distribution:

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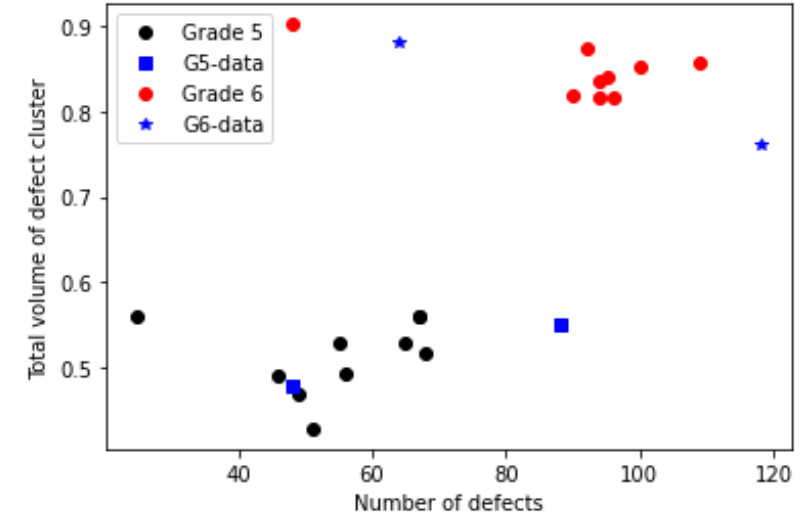
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Total volume of cluster of generated samples

o → Synthetic samples


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Number of cycles to failure: Numerical vs experimental correlation

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where A and k are constants.

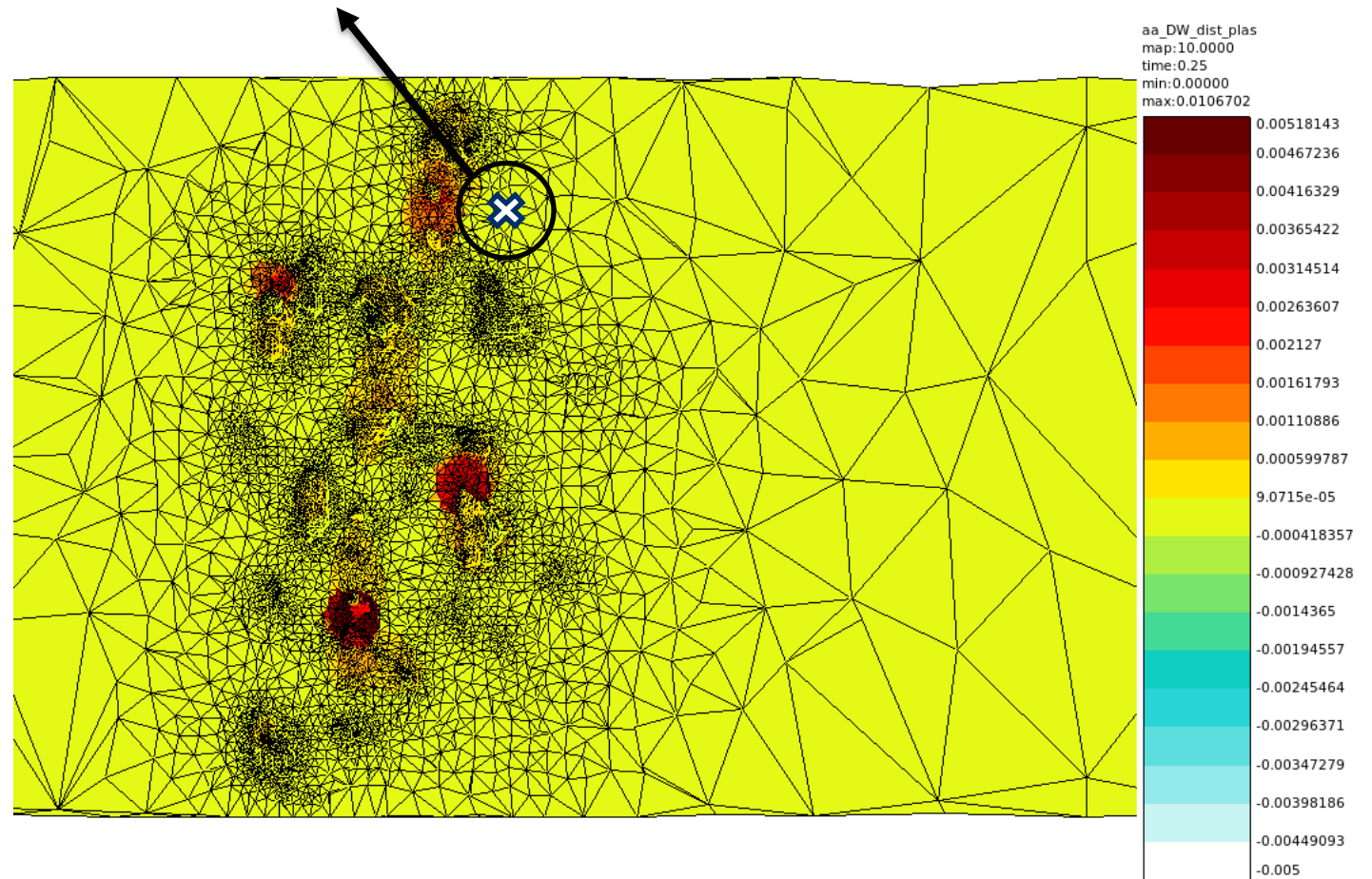
Underlying assumptions of the criteria being:
 The crack is initiated on a defect with maximum dissipation at stabilized stress loop
Ref: V. Maurel et al (2009)

Volumetric homogenization

$$\Delta W_{p,avg} = \frac{1}{V} \int_V \Delta W_p \cdot dV$$

Field homogenization for each element is done over a sphere of radius 'R' whose center lies on the element

$$R \in \{100\mu m, 150\mu m, 200\mu m\}$$



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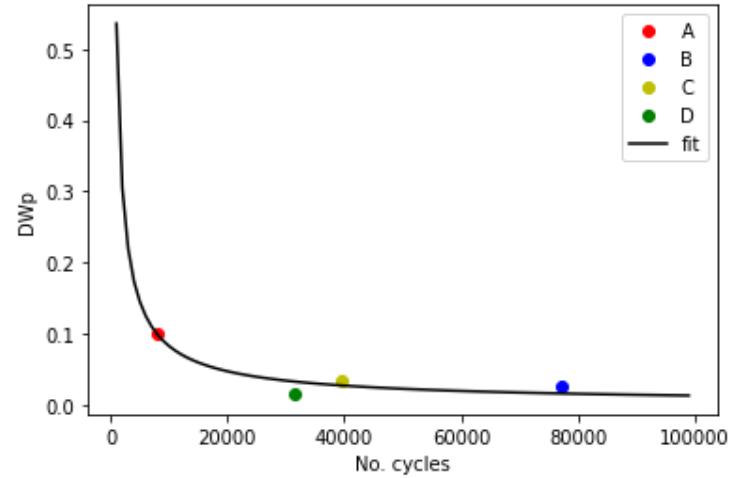
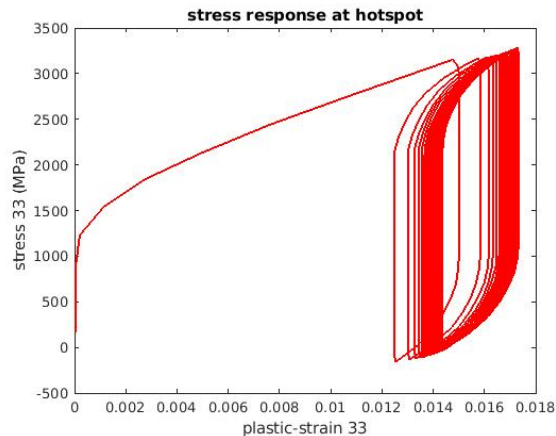
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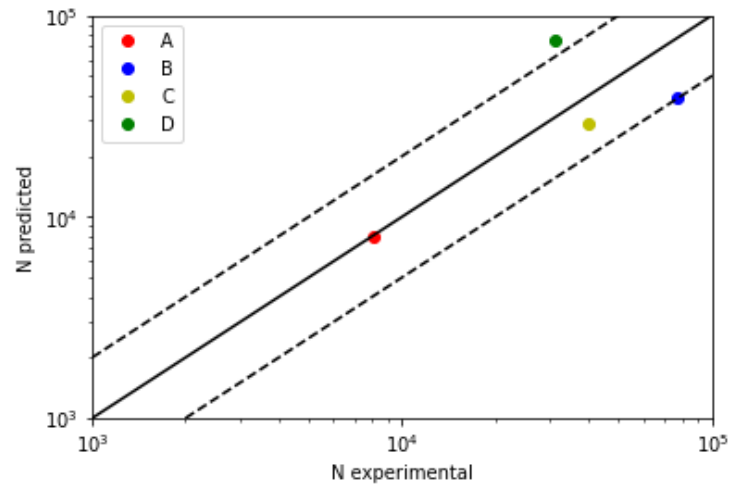
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Radius of 150 μm was chosen for stress homogenization after comparison with experimental results



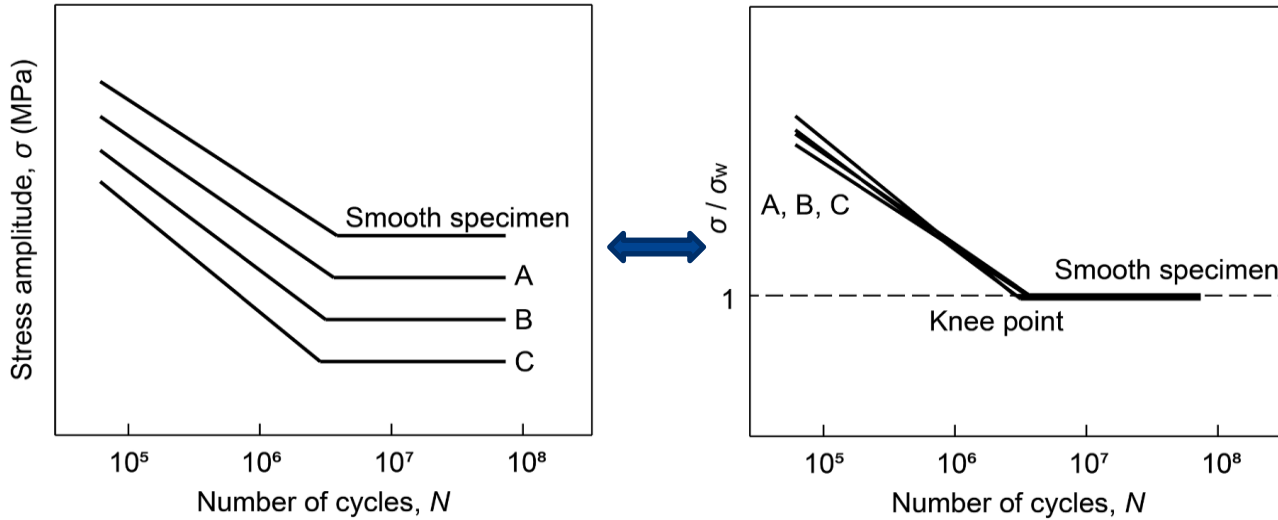
Fit to experimental results to find parameters A and k

A	k
147.49	-0.813



Prediction of number of cycles to failure

Failure criterion - Estimations



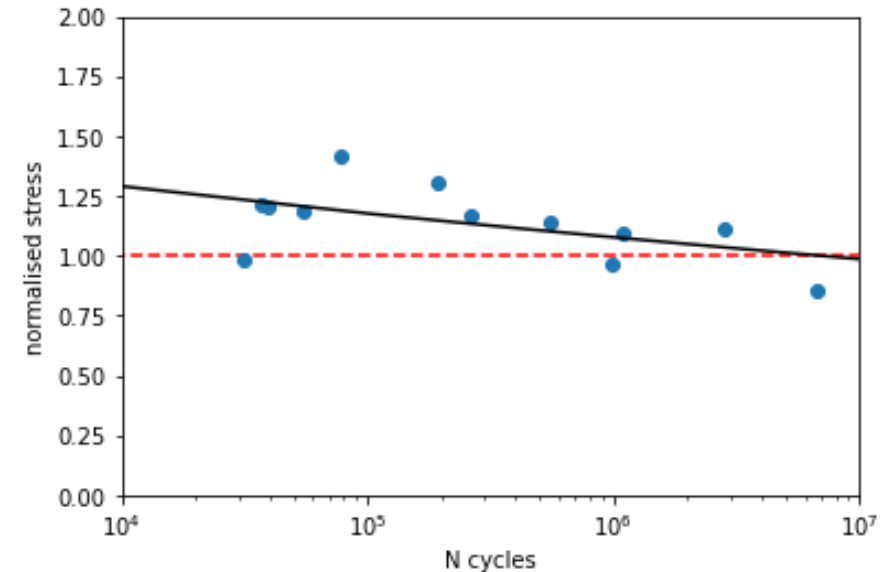
Wohler curve for different defect sizes

Defect size $C > B > A$ i.e., fatigue limit decreases with respect to defect size

Relationship between fatigue limit and defect size:-

$$\sigma_D = \frac{C(H_v + 120)}{\sqrt{Area}^{1/6}} \left(\frac{1-R}{2}\right)^\alpha$$

Where, H_v is the Vickers hardness, R the load ratio, \sqrt{Area} size of defect and σ_D , the fatigue limit
 $C = 1.56$ for internal defect and 1.43 for surface defect.



Synthetic samples – Simulations

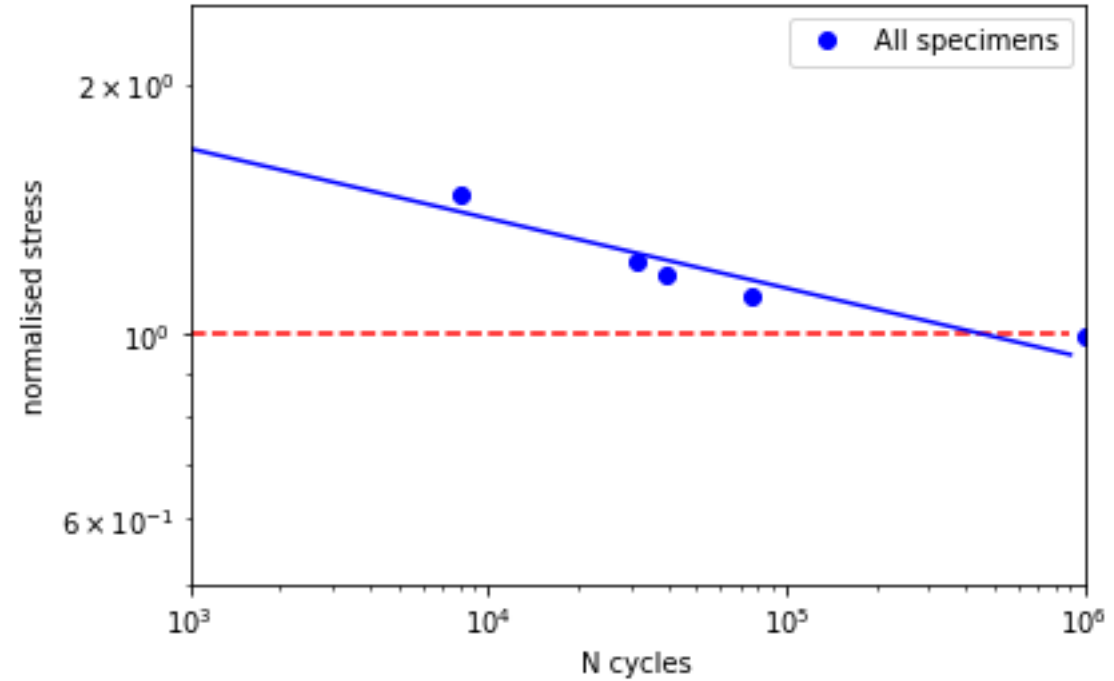
From fatigue reduction factor like SCF:

- Fatigue reduction factors from the experiments can be defined as,

$$k_f = \frac{\sigma_{amp,healthy} | @ N \text{ cycles}}{\sigma_{amp,samples} | @ N \text{ cycles}}$$

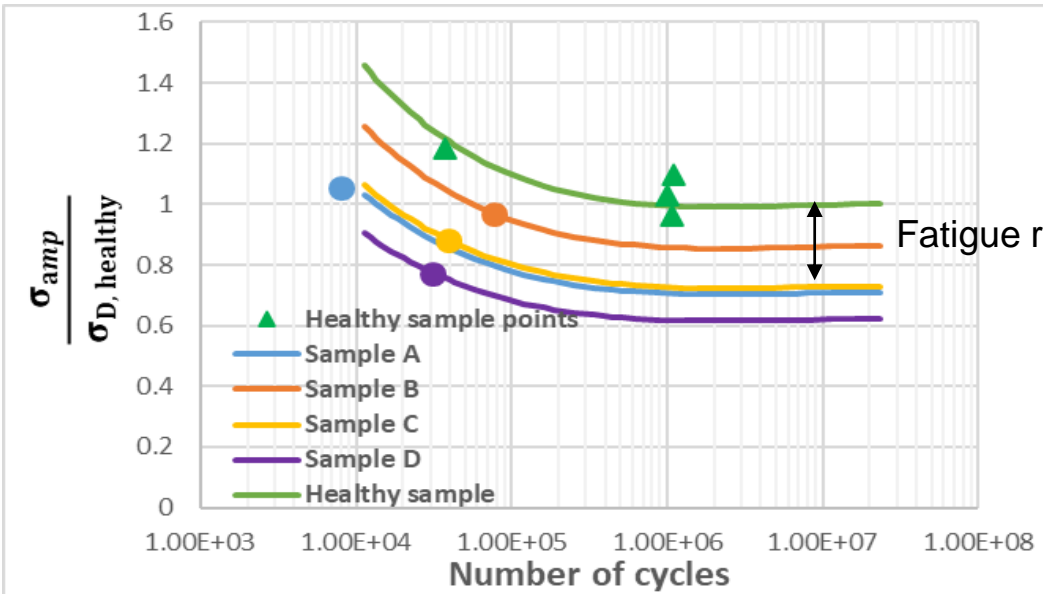
$$\sigma_D = \frac{\sigma_{D,healthy}}{K_f}$$

- Fatigue limit reduces as much as k_f



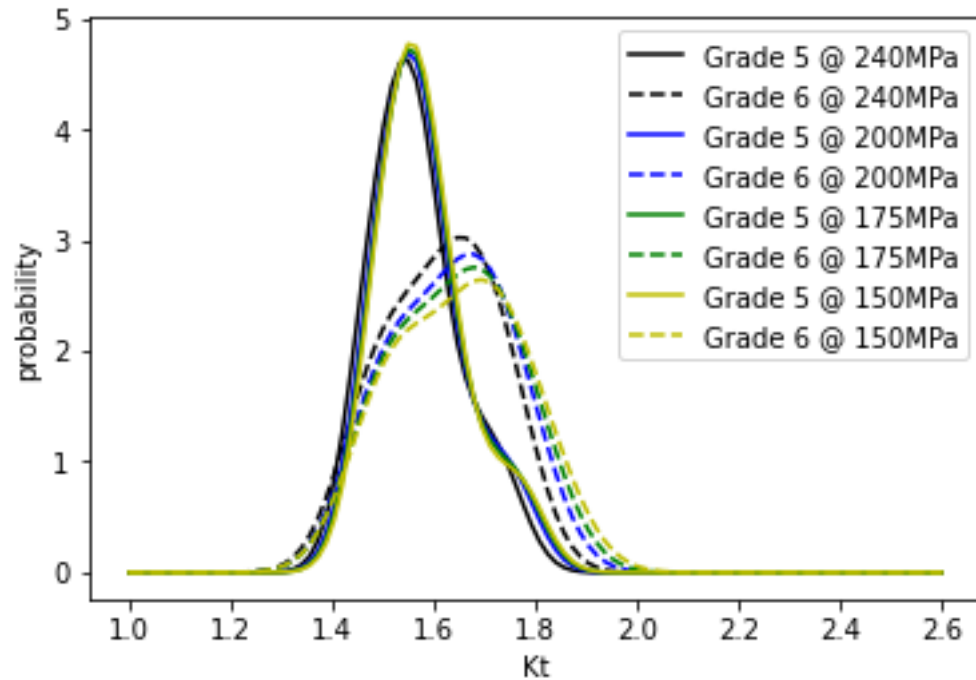
Fit an exponential law for number of cycles to failure – **Basquin law**

$$\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_D} = C * (N)^b$$



Synthetic samples – Simulations

Assuming Fatigue reduction factor == Stress concentration factor,
As in the case of notches



Stress concentration factor measured as,

$$K_t = \frac{\sigma_{local}}{\sigma_{nominal}}$$

Fatigue limit (10e+6 cycles) reduces as much
as SCF

$$\sigma_D = \frac{\sigma_{D,healthy}}{K_t} = \frac{\sigma_{D,healthy} * \sigma_{nominal}}{\sigma_{local}}$$

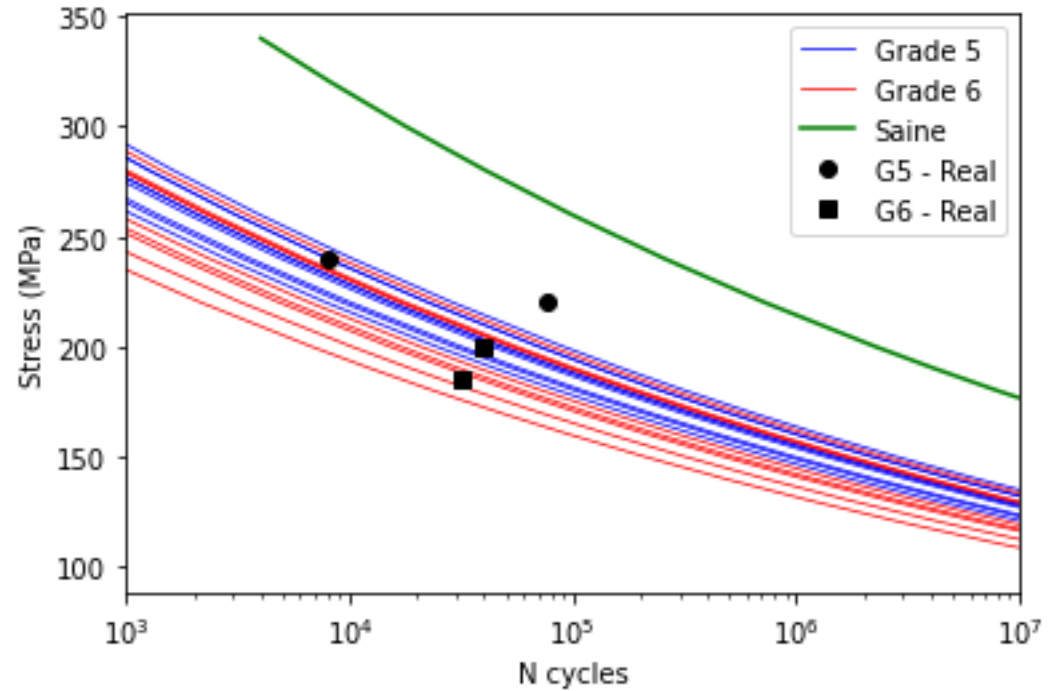
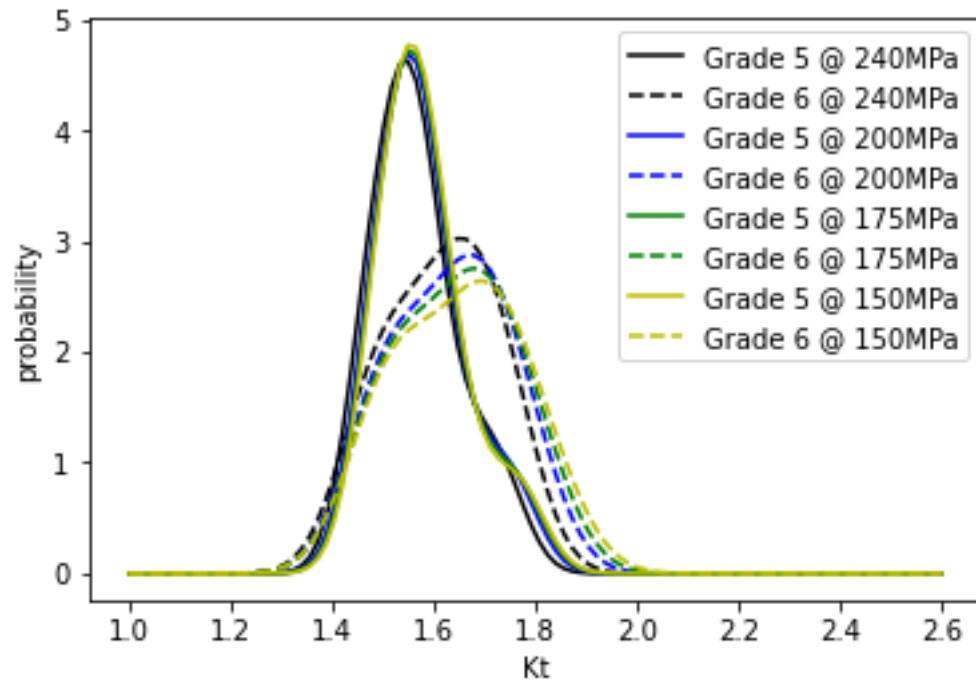


Substituting for σ_D ,

$$\frac{\sigma_{nom}}{\sigma_D} = \frac{\sigma_{local}}{\sigma_{D,healthy}} = C * (N)^b$$

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Conclusions and perspectives

- Samples of IN100 fail at the zone of clustered defects
- Synthetic microstructures can exactly mimic real samples and can be used to create a large database of mechanical response
- It is possible to generate synthetic microstructure of particular ASTM grade
- The cluster volume has a direct influence on fatigue due to high probability of large defects in the cluster
- An analysis similar to sensitivity analysis can be done using synthetic microstructure to estimate influence of cluster volume, thickness etc on stress gradients
- Monte carlo kind of approach to predict probable fatigue life based on cluster characteristics
- Experimental tests of more samples to estimate crack initiation



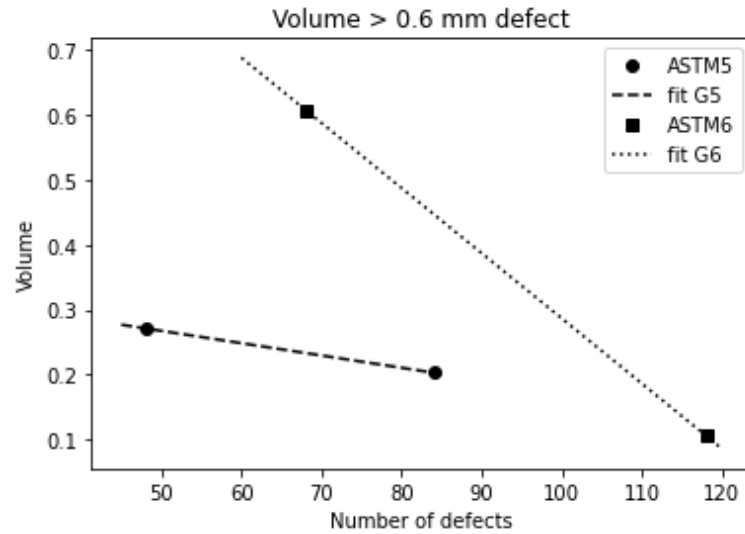
**Merci!! Thank you for your
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Back-ups

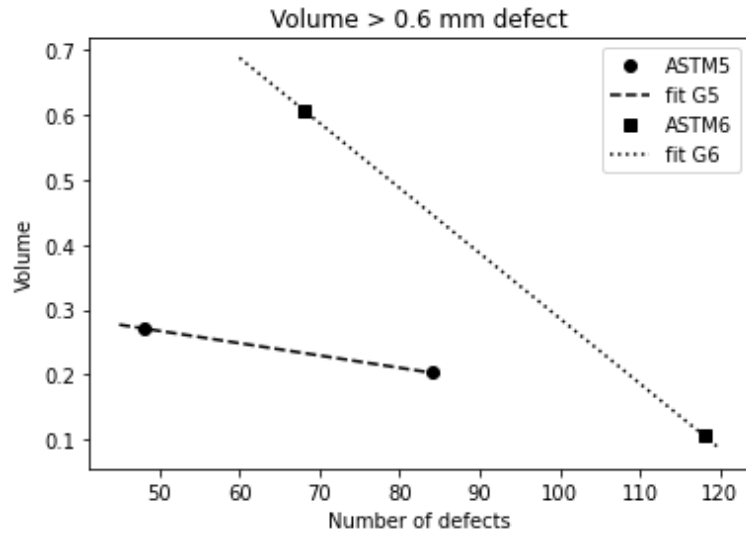
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Volume of defects larger than 0.6mm is specific to ASTM grade.

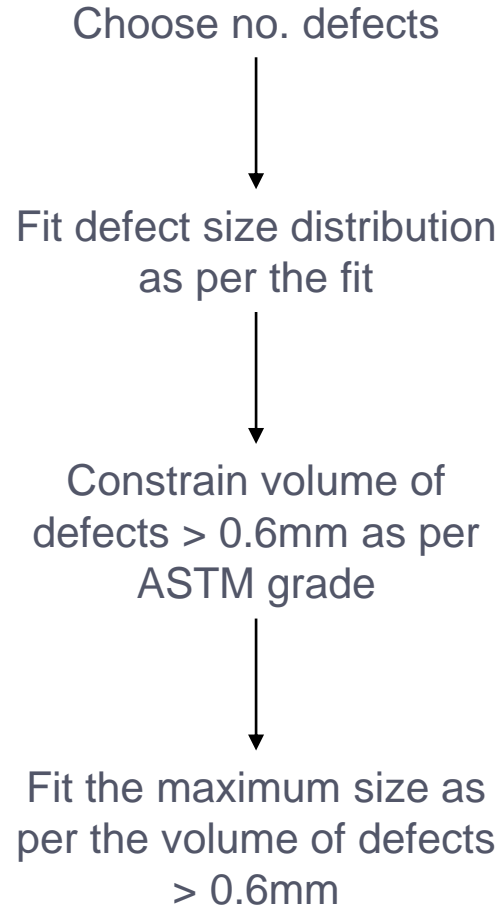
Hence a fit is constrained here on the volume of defects

Synthetic samples – selon ASTM

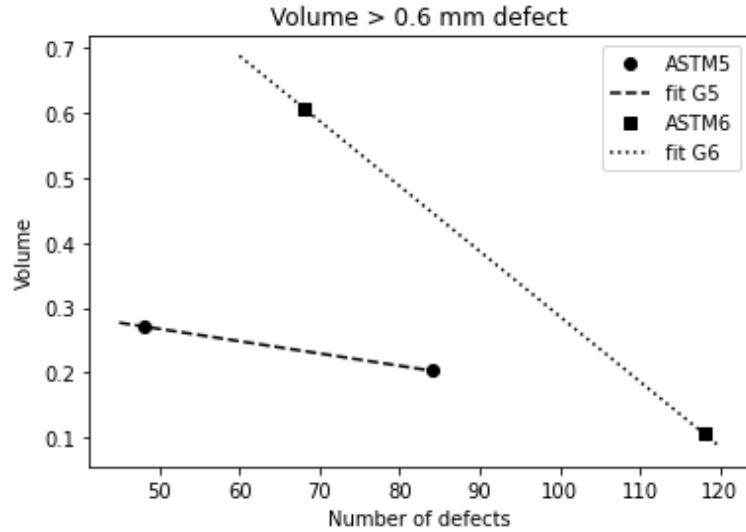


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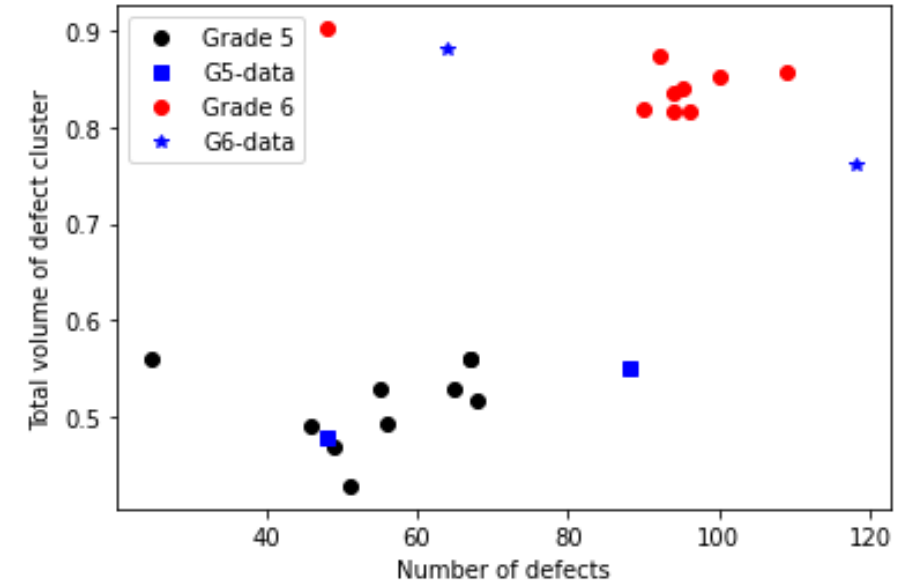
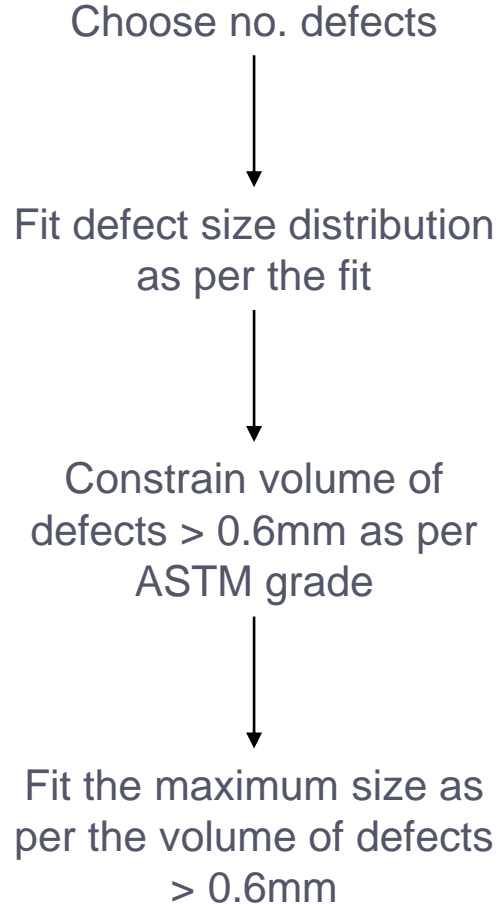


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Total volume of cluster of generated samples

o → Synthetic samples

ASTM Grade – Synthetic samples

Sample	Area (in mm ²)	Volume of defects in cluster	Number of defects
Grade 5	1.47		
2L1	1.0	0.48	48
2P1	1.2	0.55	88
Grade 6	2.21		
2R1	2.99	0.88	64
2S1	1.98	0.76	118

Less number of defects but more larger defects

- Two different distributions for each grade
- By constraining volume and using respective distribution of ASTM grade, synthetic samples respecting grades are generated

More number of defects but less larger defects

Virtual Radiography

Beer-Lambert Law of X-ray intensity :

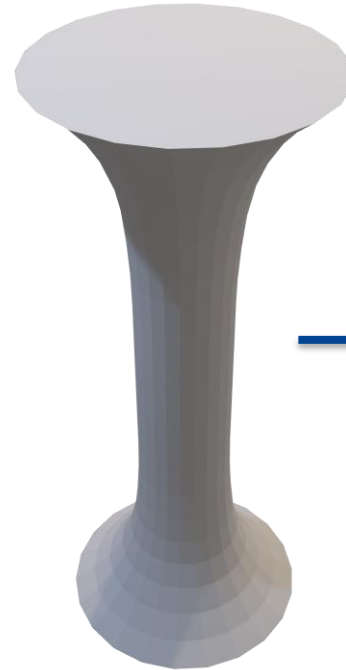
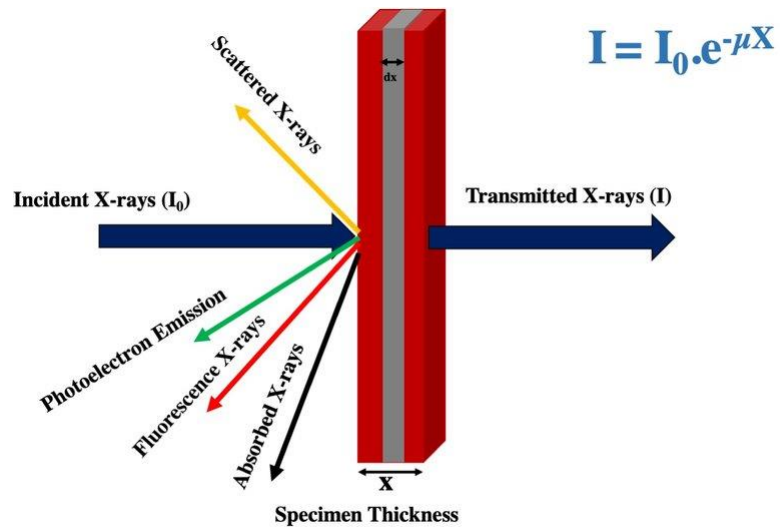
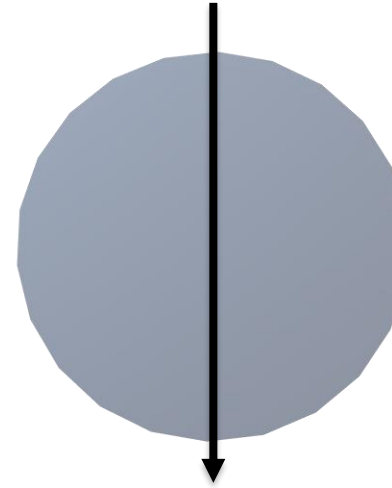
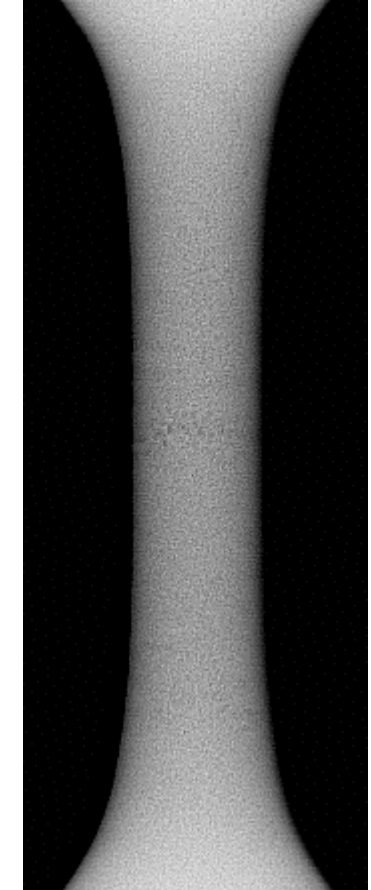


Image of sample



Summation in direction perpendicular to axis for Radiography



Virtual Radiography

For small discretized thickness dx ,

$$I = constant * \int_0^L dx$$

$L \rightarrow$ Length of the material

$I \rightarrow$ Intensity

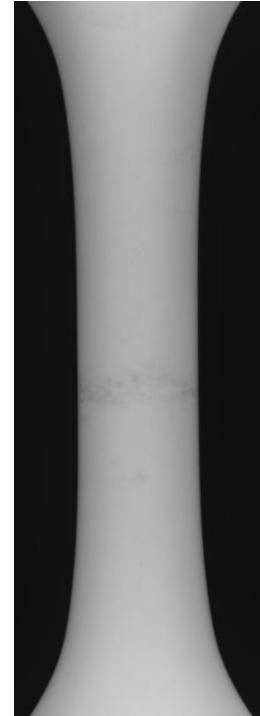
$$I = constant * \sum_0^L dx$$

ASTM norm 1/8 in (3mm) – Spongy Shrinkage

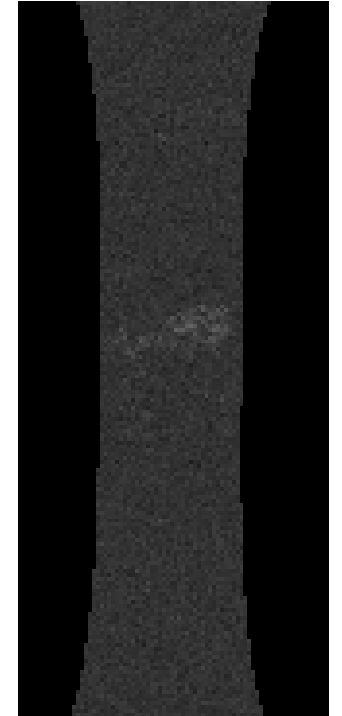
- Homogeneous Radiography examples for a thickness of 3mm and can be applied for a thickness of upto 6mm
- Image resolution of 100 μ m
- Different greyscale intensity



Example



- Apply correction factor to transfer cylinder into a plate
- Resize as per the resolution of ASTM examples
- Greyscale intensity matching by Boolean operations



ASTM grade - Prediction

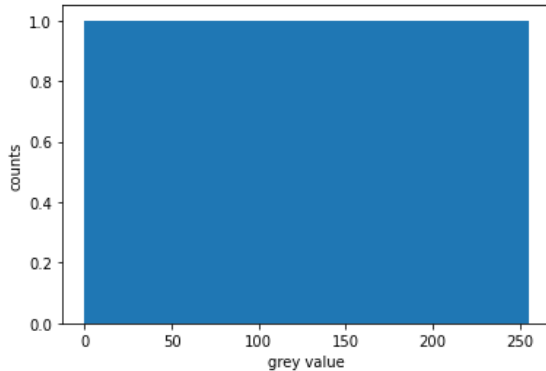
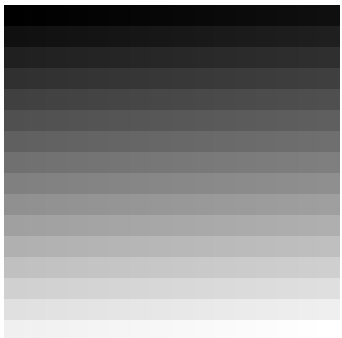
Shannon entropy: -

$$H(X) = - \sum_{x \in X} p(x) \log_b(x)$$

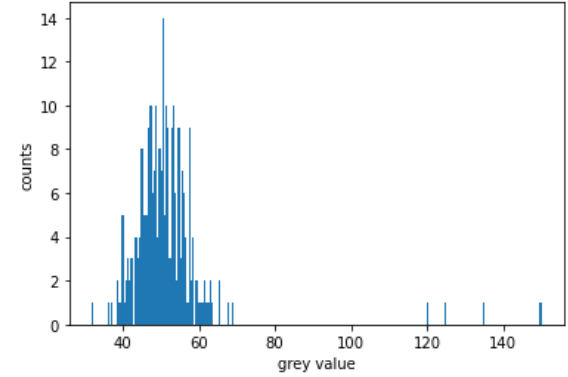
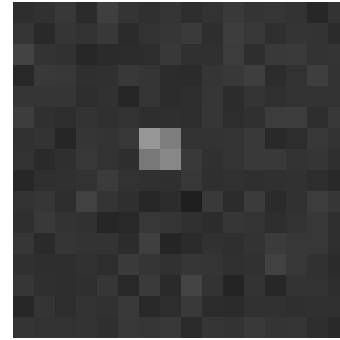
X → Image

x → each greyscale value between 0-255

Entropy considers the intensity of **Defect indication** and its size

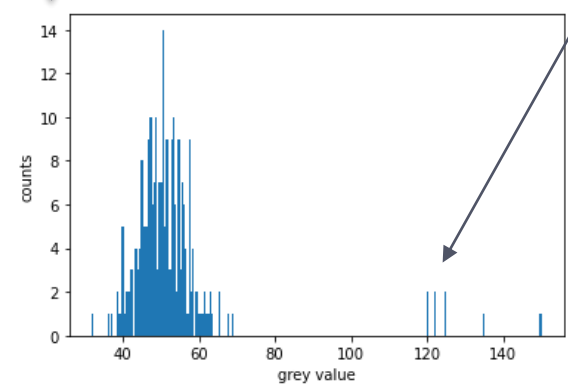
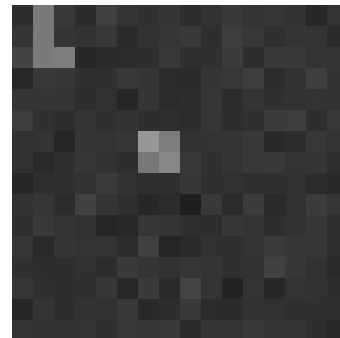


Max entropy @ uniform distribution = 8.0



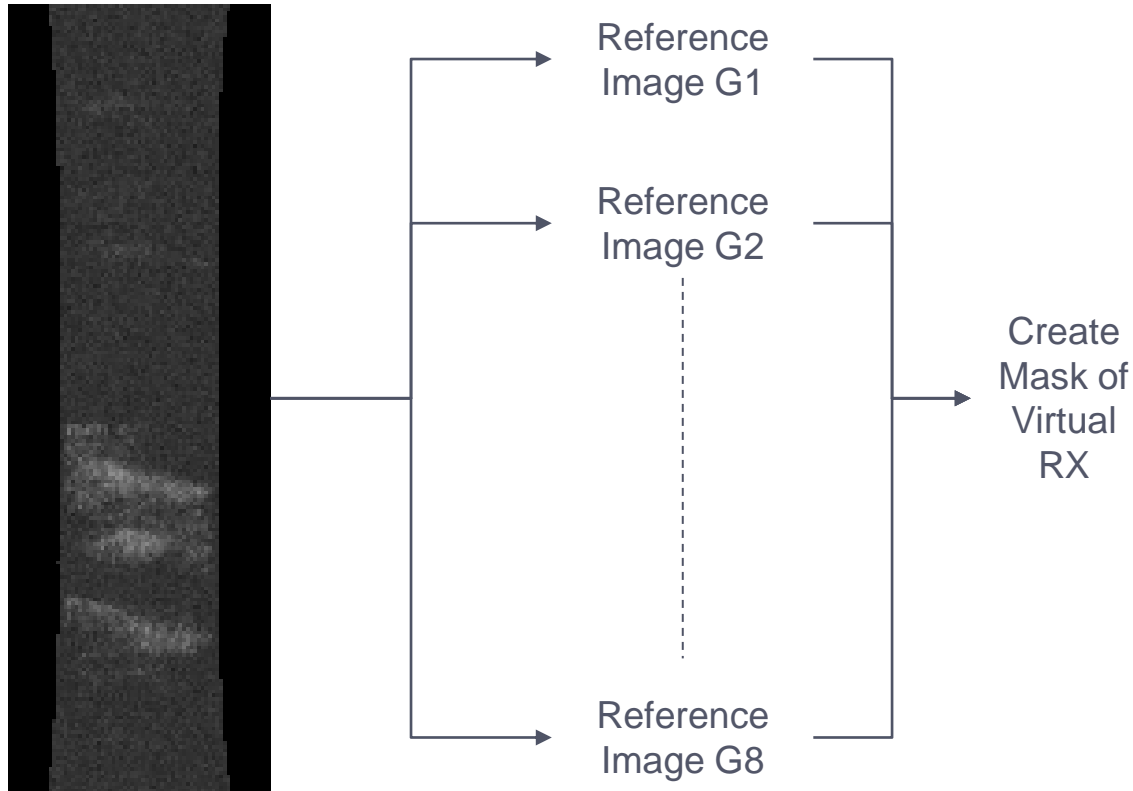
Entropy = 5.3

Add a defect



Entropy = 5.5

ASTM grade - Prediction



Metric

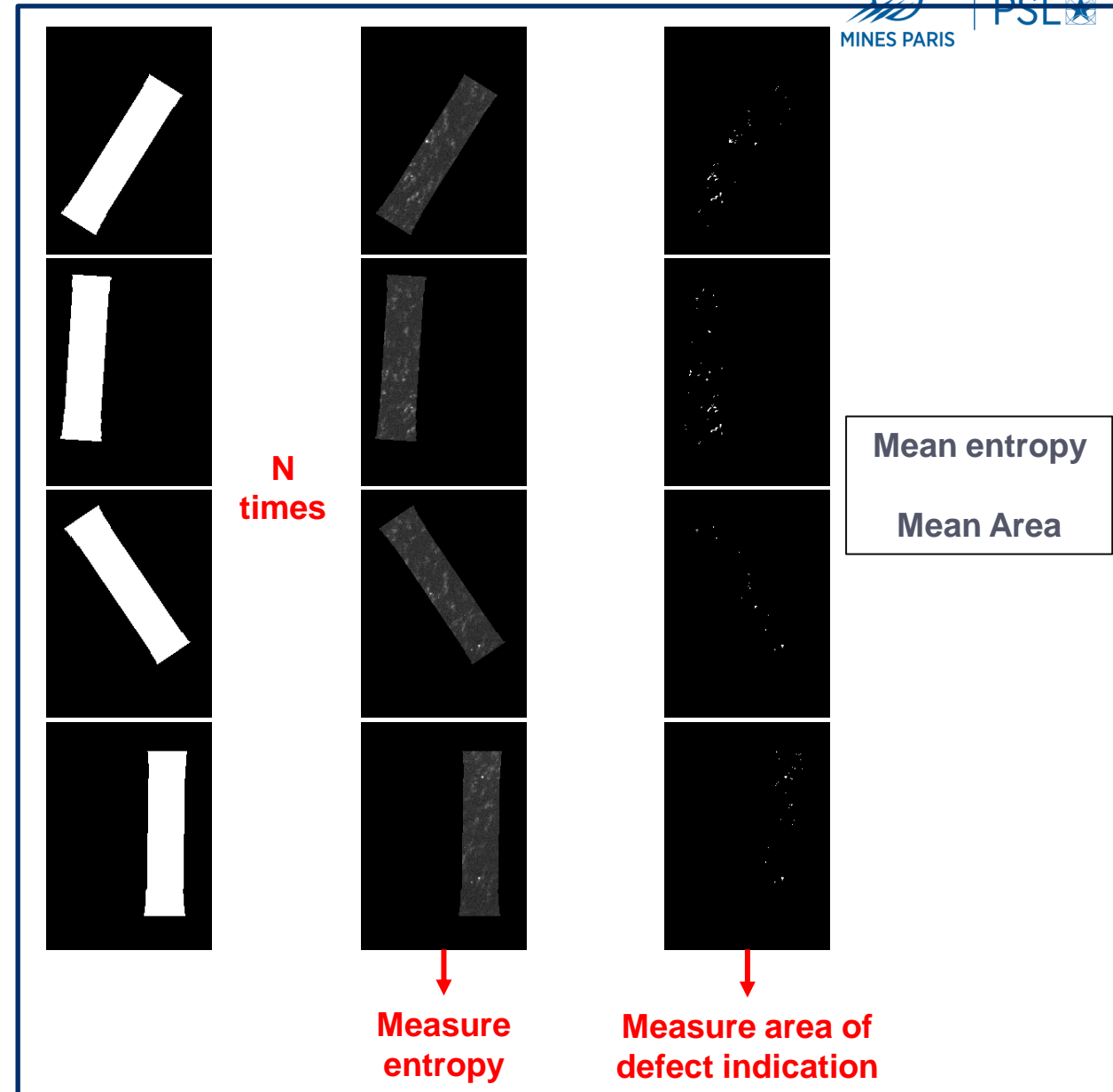
$$= [\mu(Entropy_{Ref}) - (Entropy_{RX})] * f_E + [\mu(Area_{ref}) - (Area_{RX})] * f_A$$

Ref → Reference images of ASTM

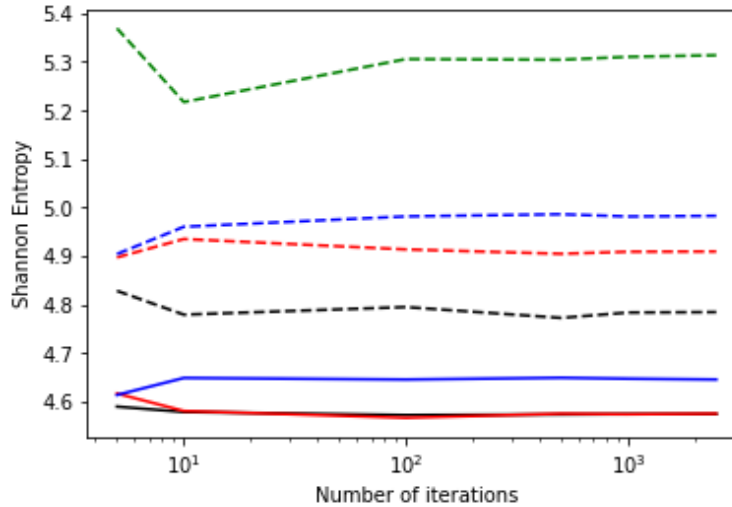
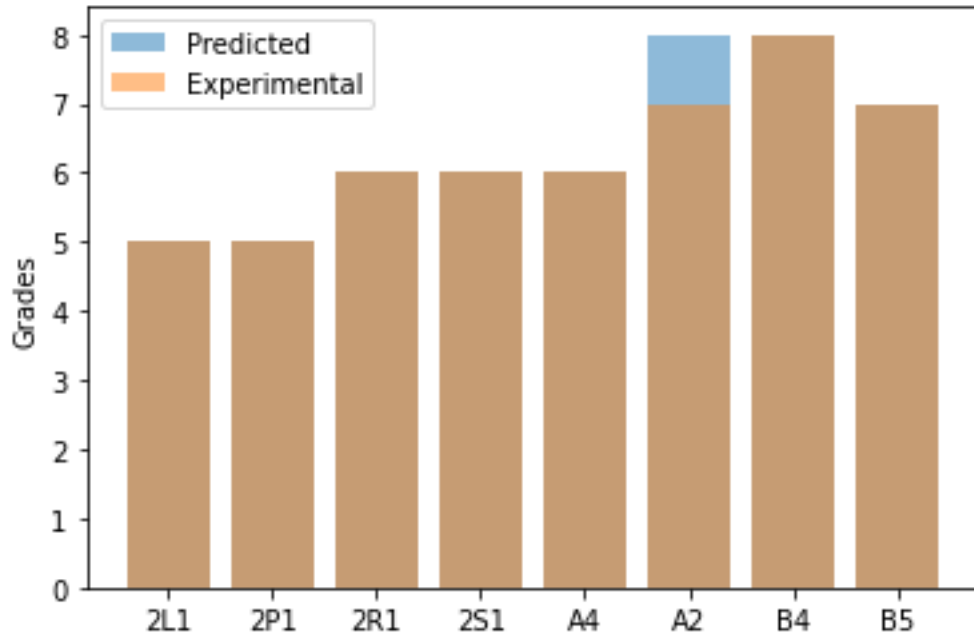
RX → Calibrated Virtual RX images of samples

f_E = factor to control contribution of entropy

f_A = factor to control contribution of Area

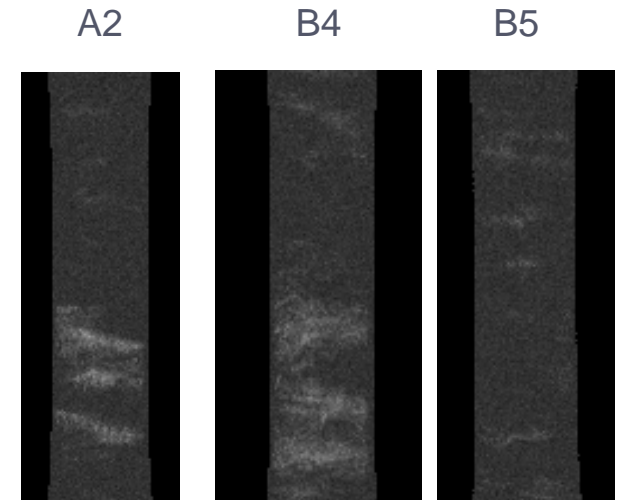
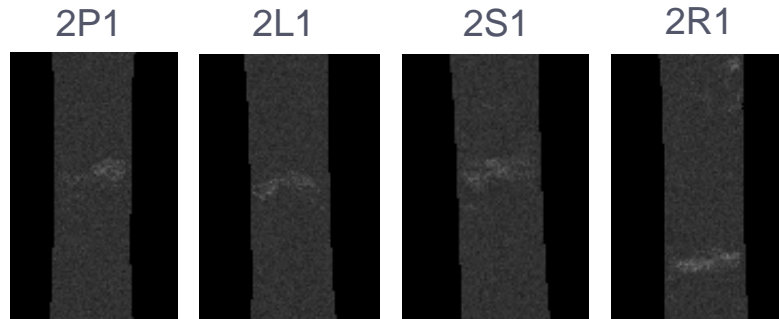


ASTM grade - Prediction



Multiple iterations needed so that the measurements are constant

Perfect predictions for all samples except one

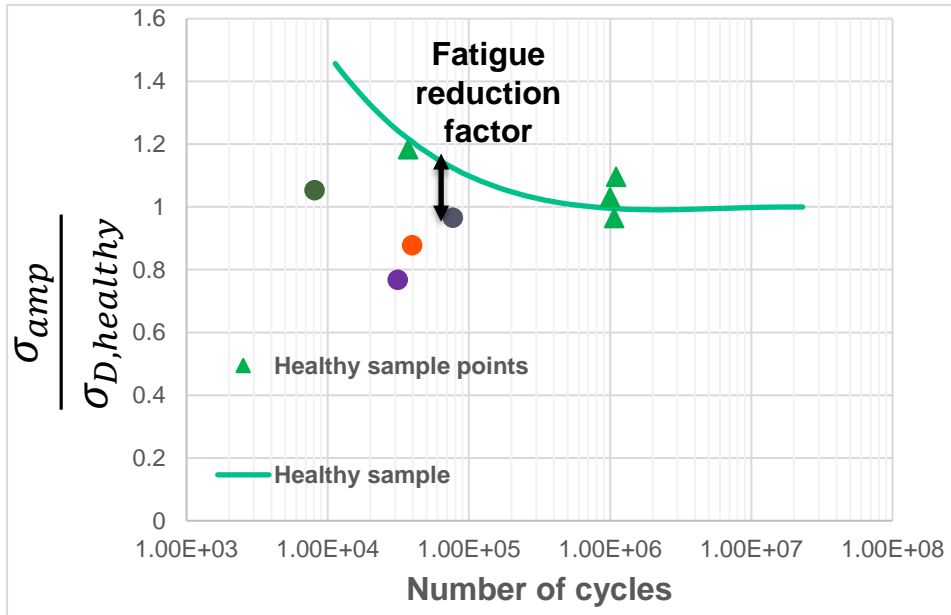


Fatigue Reduction factor

- Fatigue reduction factors from the experiments can be defined as,

$$k_f = \frac{\sigma_{amp,healthy} | @ N \text{ cycles}}{\sigma_{amp,samples} | @ N \text{ cycles}}$$

- Fatigue limit reduces as much as k_f



- By numerical approach, stress concentration factors are the fatigue reduction factors such that,

$$\sigma_D = \frac{\sigma_{D,healthy}}{k_{t,critical}}$$

With the assumption that, $k_t = k_f$

