# Computational Design of Multifunctional Materials and Structures

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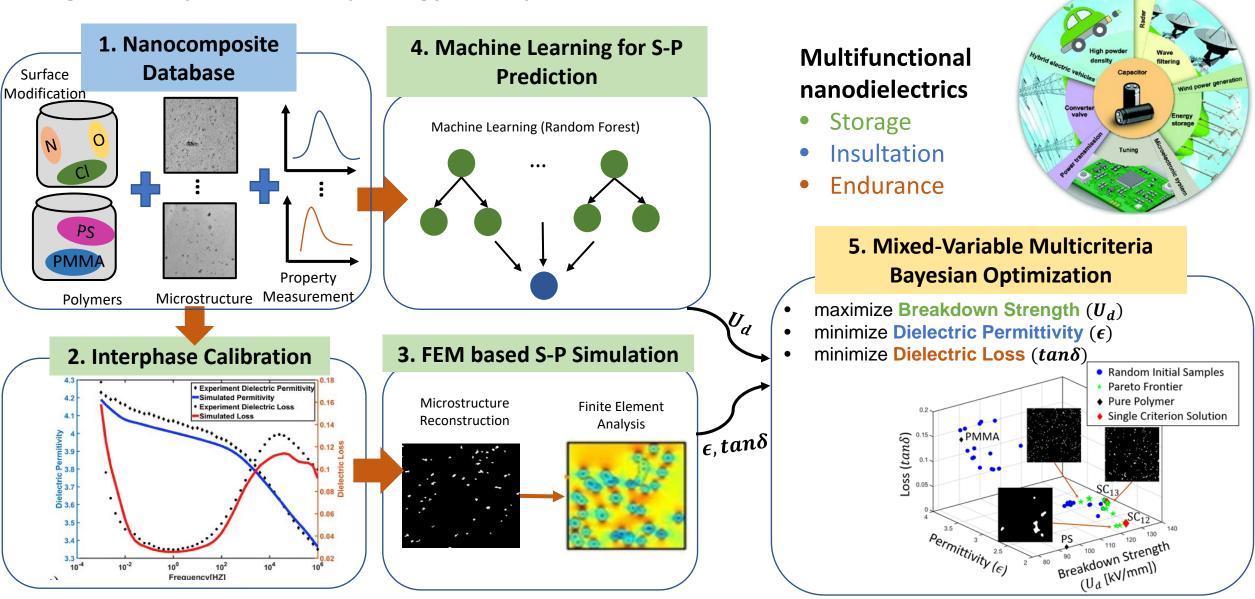
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## IDEAL Lab: Design of Microstructural Material Systems

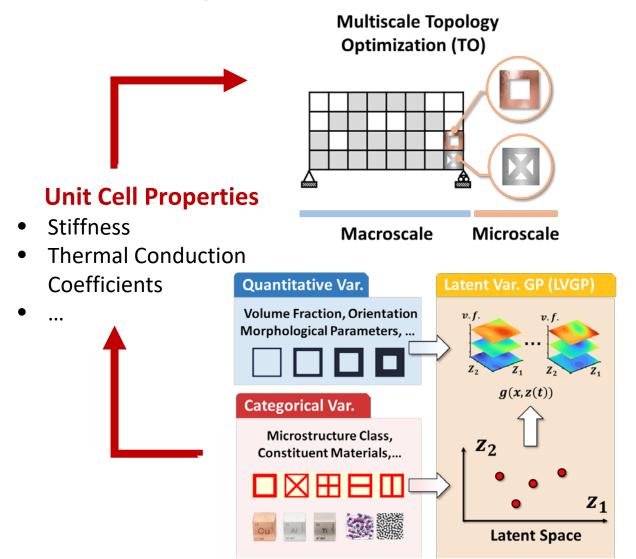
Design of composition, morphology, and synthesis methods of nanodielectrics



Iyer, A., Zhang, Y., Prasad, A., Gupta, P., Tao, S., Wang, Y., Prabhune, P., Schadler, L., Brinson, L.C., Chen, W., et. al., Molecular Systems Design & Engineering, 2020

## IDEAL Lab: Data-Driven Design of Heterogenous Material Systems

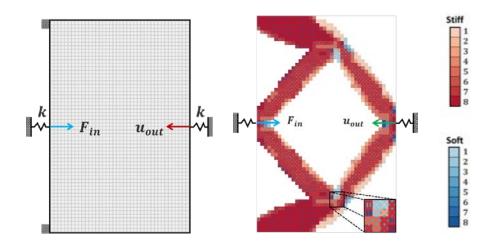
#### Multiscale design of constituent materials and architectures in light weight, deformable structures







Ion et al. UNIST, 2016



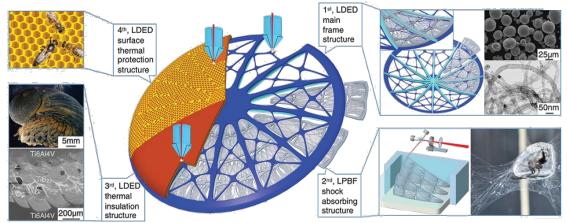
 $u_{out}$  +167% displacement than periodic design

#### **Multiclass Multi-Material Compliant Mechanism**

## Challenging Computational Design of Multifunctional Systems

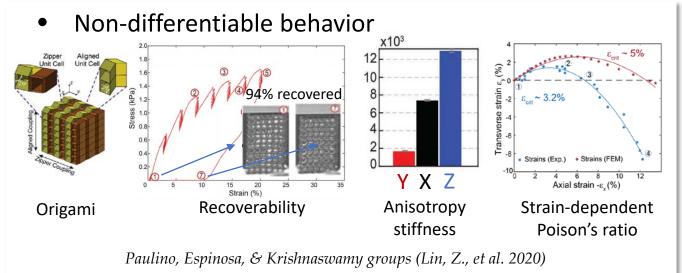
#### **Heterogeneous Materials – Curse of Dimensionality**

Multiscale modeling & design/ material-structural design



Gu's group at Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics (Gu, D., et al. Science, 2021)

#### **Multistable Systems**



#### **Nonlinear Behaviors**

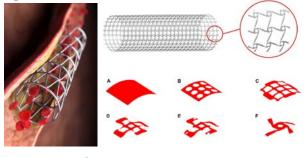
- Accuracy and cost tradeoff
- lack of analytical gradient for optimization



Energy Absorption

Valdevit & Rimoli groups

(Bauer, J., et al. 2021)

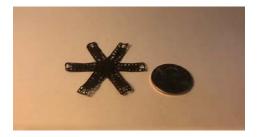


Coronary stent
Source | www.thecardiologyadvisor.com
Luo's group at University of Technology Sydney
(Xue, H., et al. 2020)

#### **Multiphysics Active Metamaterials**

- Expanded design space of external stimulus
- Coupling effects

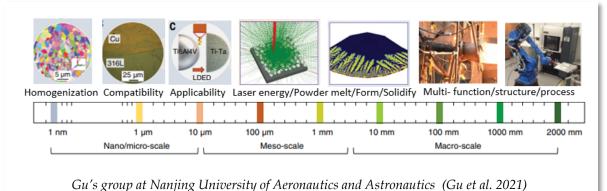




Chen's group at SUNY (Tian et al 2021)

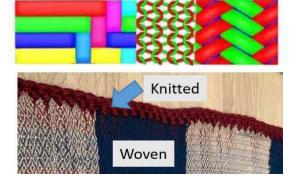
## Convergence Opportunities: Integrating Materials, Mechanics, Manufacturing and Design

#### **Predicting process-structure-property-performance**function relation across multiple scales with UQ



### Multiscale design framework for heterogenous systems to exploit hybrid manufacturing capability

Hybrid manufacturing



Cao's group at Northwestern



Gardiner, G. Composites World, 2019 source | Hyconnect, FAUSST Joint

### **Supercomputing and AI techniques for fast 3D** design integration and exploration



Lightweight Bridge Design (>10<sup>6</sup> elements)

source | Kim's group at USCD (http://m2do.ucsd.edu/research/?topic=mdao)

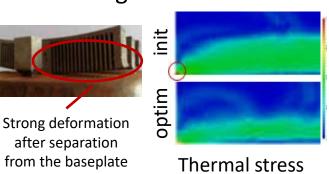


"Giga-voxel" TO of Wing (>109 elements) Sigmund's group at DTU

(Aage et al. 2017)

#### Integrating manufacturing process impact into topology optimization

Reducing residual stress •



Allaire's group at Echoe Polytechnique, France (Allaire et al. 2018)

Overhang-free design



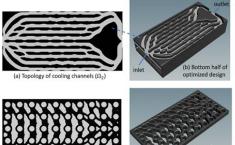
Optimized MBB Beam

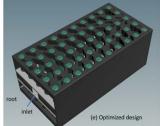
Guest's group at JHU (Gaynor & Guest 2016)

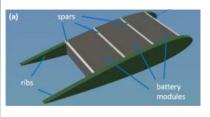
## **Chen Backup Slides**

## **Existing Multiphysics & Multifunctional Topology Optimization**

Level set TO method for load carrying battery packs (fluid-thermal-mechanics)

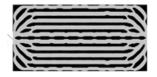


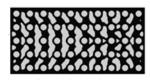




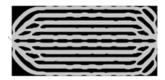
Equal weighted for all physics

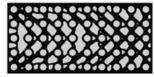
Battery modules placed between adjacent ribs and spars.





High weights on mechanical (strain energy)

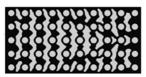




on fluid (flow pressure diff.)

 $k_c = 0.1; k_t = 0.1; k_p = 0.8$ 





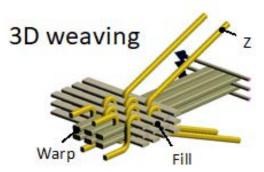
 $k_c = 0.1; \frac{k_t}{l} = 0.8; k_p = 0.1$ 

on thermal (ave. temp.)

Kim's group at UCSD (Kambampati et al. 2021)

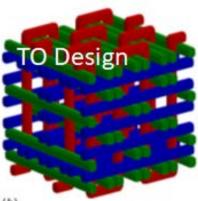
 Ground structure representation of 3D woven metallic lattices (max permeability)

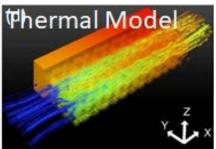
Manufacturable lattices with enhanced fluidic and thermal properties for heat transfer applications.



Micro-CT



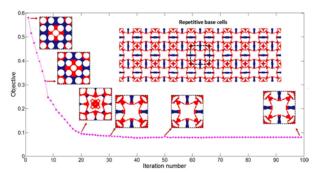




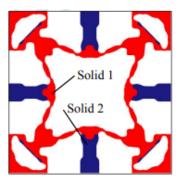
Guest's group at JHU (Zhao et al 2015; Zhao et al 2017; Ha et al 2019)

## **Existing Multimaterial & Multifunctional Topology Optimization**

Negative Poisson's Ratio (NPR) & Negative Thermal Expansion (NTE)

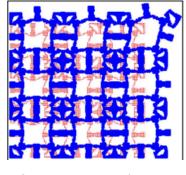


Multi-objective topology optimization

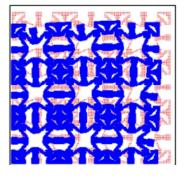


**Optimized Topology** 

Simultaneous realization of NPR and NTE that are difficult to achieve with only one constitutive material



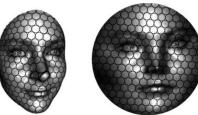
Deformation 1 (elastic)



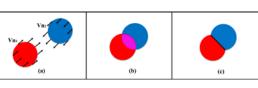
Deformation 2 (thermal)

Luo's group at University of Technology, Sydney (Wang et al 2017)

Conformal design of active ferromagnetic system

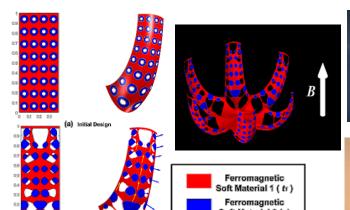






Conformal mapping (3D -> 2D)

Reconciled level set method





Optimized multi-material flytrap shell actuator

Chen's group at SUNY (Tian et al 2021)