

The Development of a New Predictive Simulation Code

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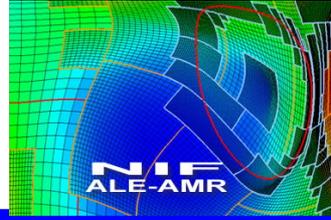
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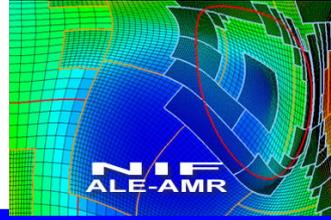
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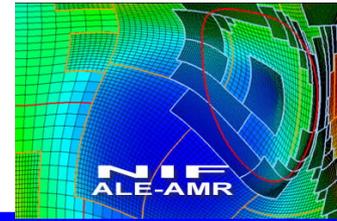
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Advances in computer architecture and algorithms are exposing new simulation areas

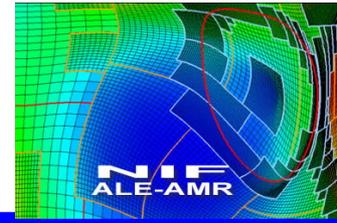


- **Realistic simulations of biological processes and biological systems from diseases and components like the heart to full-body simulations**
- **Packaging, design and manufacturing studies for optimizing industrial engineering**
- **Applied nanoscience up to mesoscale for the complete design of multicomponent electronic systems**
- **New simulation code NIF-ALE-AMR falls in this category. It is an area previously modeled with phenomenological data and experimental intuition**

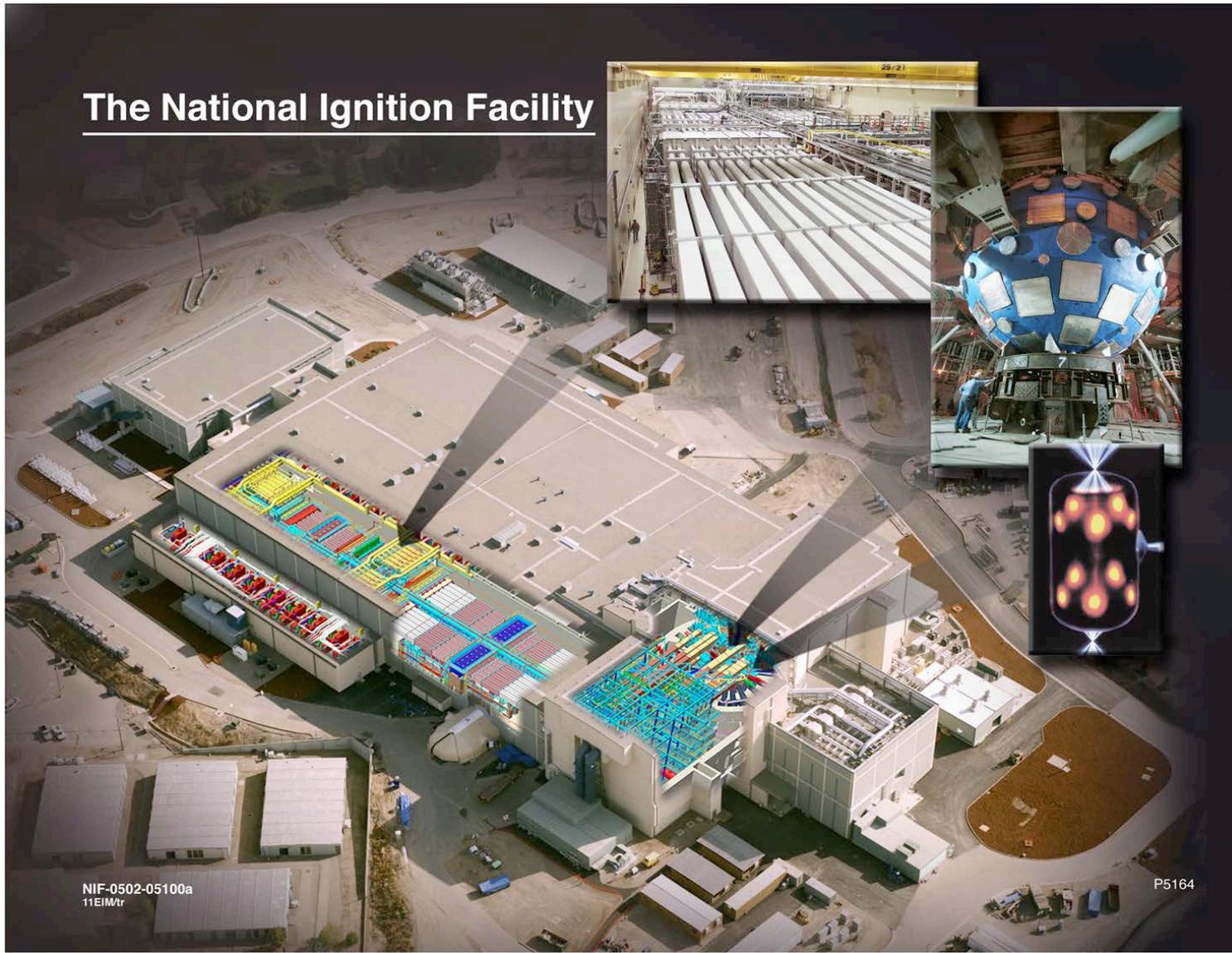
Prediction: the new “grand challenges” will include simulating non-traditional (and sometimes “everyday”) phenomena, not just the traditional simulation areas like climate, fusion, combustion, turbulence, etc.

3D with no
2D analogue

A new arena for predictive simulations in high-powered laser systems



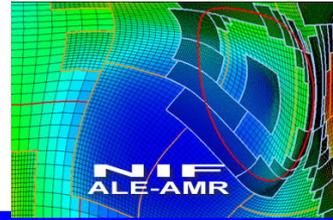
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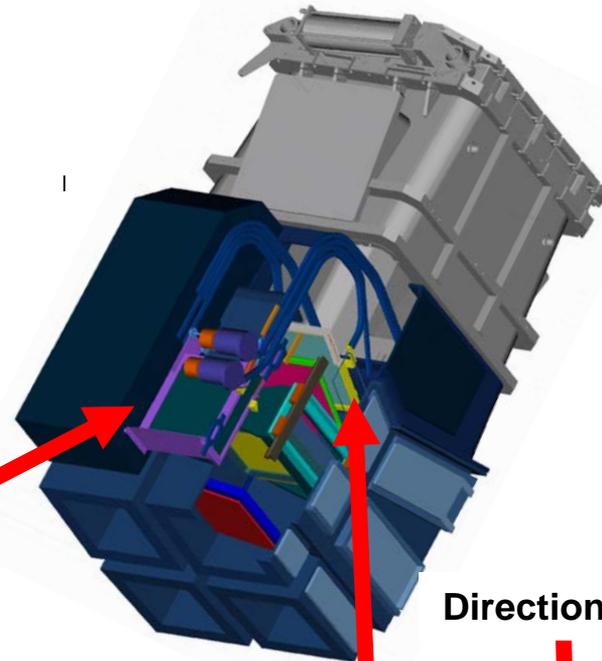
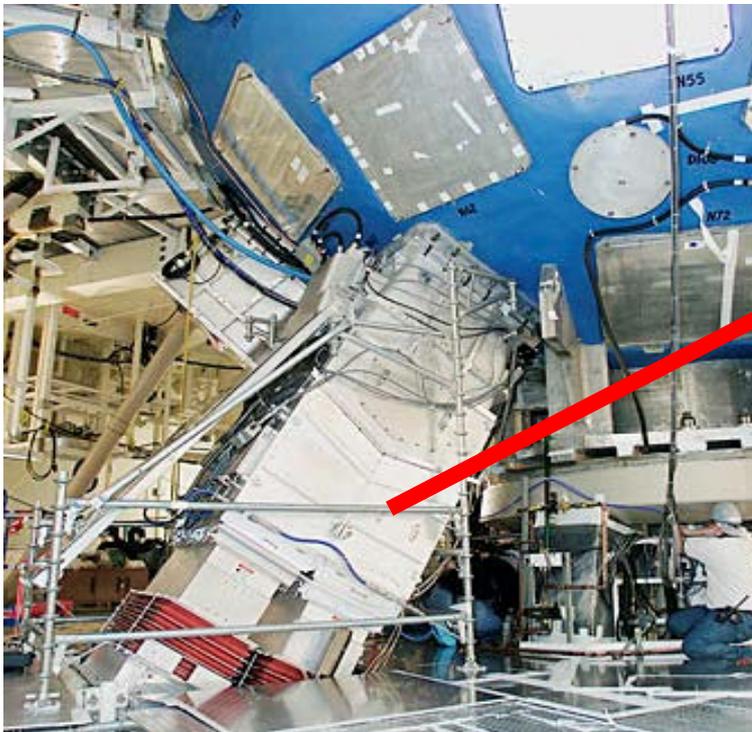
NIF
Early Light
4 Beam
Experiments

“1/2 NIF”
Or 96 beams
Starting
Next summer

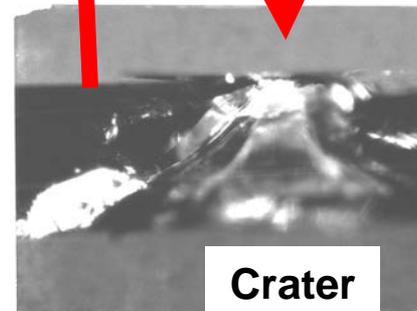
Goal: Protection of Optics and Diagnostics



Debris Shields as Main Line Defense

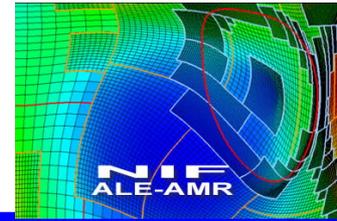


Direction of Impact

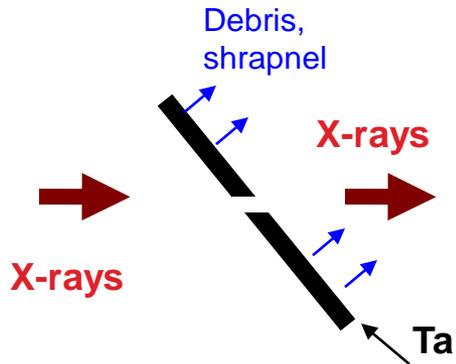


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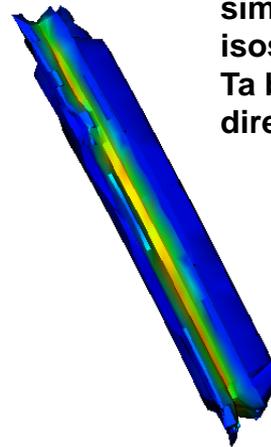
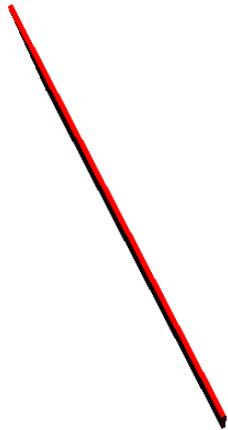
Numerical simulations show how to mitigate damage from debris and shrapnel



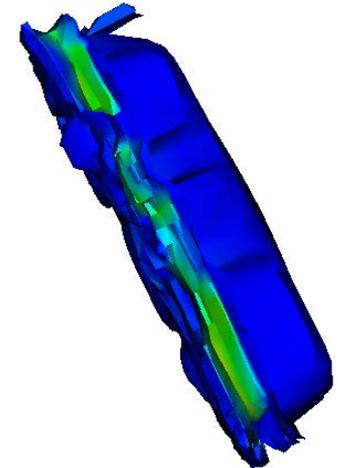
NIF
Early Light
Diagnostic
Damage



Damage prior to
tilting pinhole
substrate

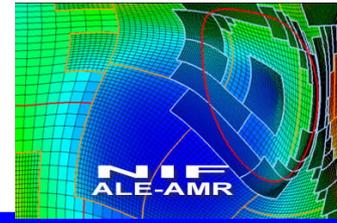


Time progression of 3D foil
simulation (density
isosurfaces) shows
Ta blow-off in normal
direction

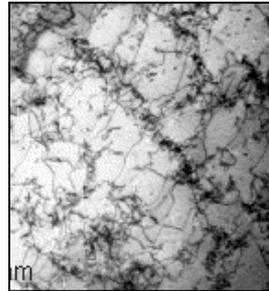


Tilted pinhole directs debris and shrapnel away from diagnostic filter. Tilt concept (Eder) & Omega experiments (Robey, Blue, et al.)

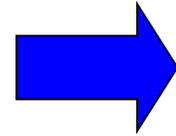
Predictive capability includes multi-scale model with adaptive mesh refinement



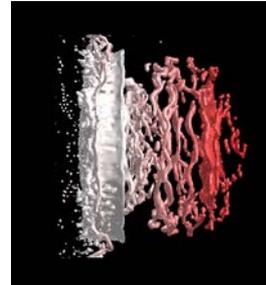
Dedicated Experimental Validation



Initial characterization of thin tantalum pinhole



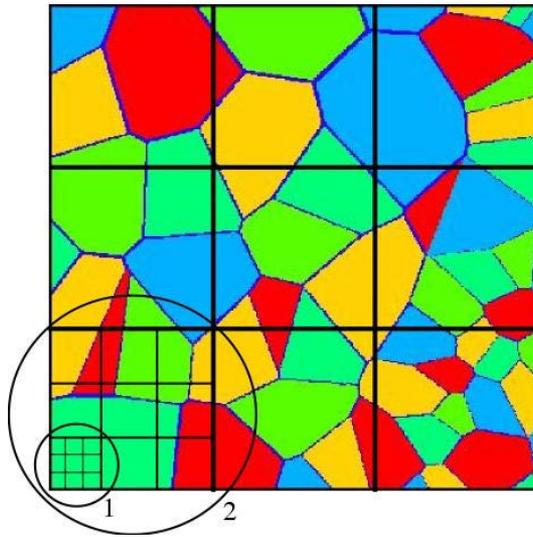
Laser Input



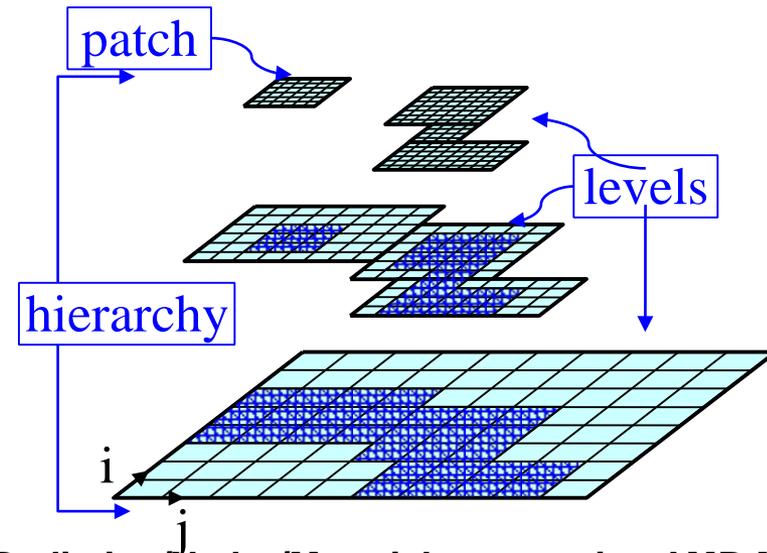
Recovery experiment -- fragments captured in aerogel



Residual characterization to show grain structure

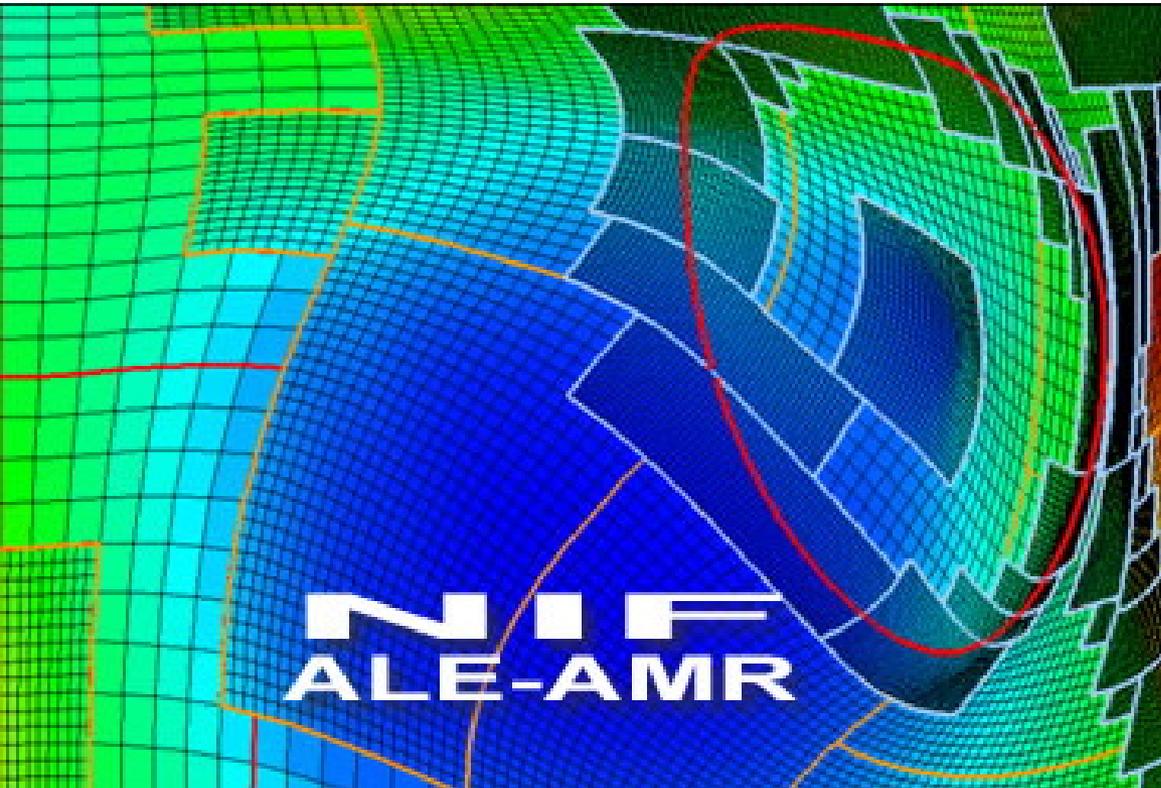
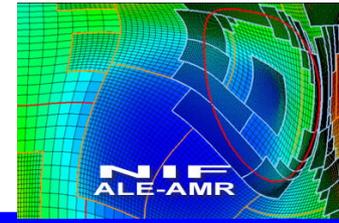


Multiscale Hierarchical Material Model (HMM)



Radiation/Hydro/Materials on moving AMR Mesh

We use an adaptive and moving mesh, allowing different models at different levels (multiscale)



Spatial Resolution

Material Model

Macro

Analytical
Flow-Stress Models

Meso

Polycrystal Models
Applications:
Texture Evolution
and
Moderate Number
of Grains/Zone

Micro

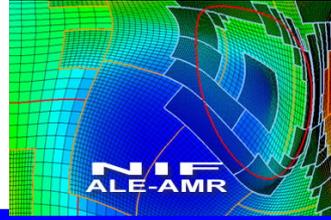
Single-Crystal
Plasticity
(May Include Phase
Transformations)

Nano

Molecular
Dynamics:
Using EAM
and MEAM

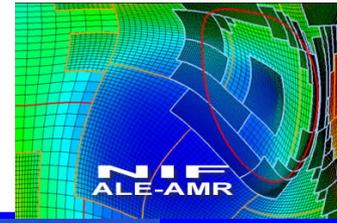
Arrows indicate sampling paths that may be either dynamic or static (performed before the run).

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- **Thoughts on the future needs of validation studies**

Team Development Approach: text messaging allows modern developers to work together



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Jabber: The LC Conference System

- **Text messaging takes over**

- **Probably single most-used resource in cutting development time**

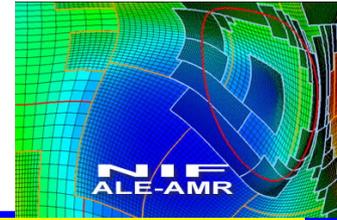
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(SEE NEXT SLIDE FOR BLOW-UP)

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Chat Room Security

- LLNL internal chat does not work from offsite unless you set up an SSH tunnel to the server.
- Not all rooms are "public"; a user must be invited before they can successfully join a room.
- There may be more rooms in existence than what you see: rooms may be defined to be invisible.



Sample Jabber Dialogue

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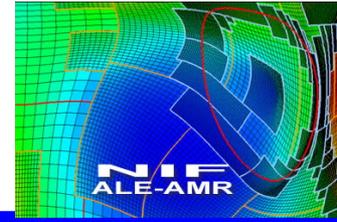
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Team Development Approach - 2: TiddlyWiki provides an easy collective document



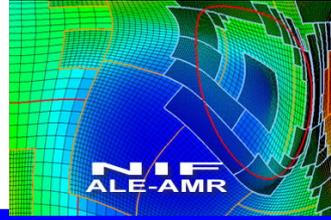
TiddlyWiki

a reusable non-linear personal web notebook

- **Wiki**
 - enables documents to be written collectively (co-authoring) in a simple markup language using a web browser
 - A single page in a wiki is referred to as a "wiki page"
 - entire body of pages, which are usually highly interconnected via hyperlinks, is called "the wiki"
 - An easy-to-use, easy-to-write data base
- **TiddlyWiki**
 - Microcontent WikiWikiWeb
 - Written in HTML, CSS¹ and JavaScript
 - Runs on any modern browser without needing any ServerSide logic
 - Allows anyone to create personal self contained hypertext documents that can be posted to any webserver, sent by email or kept on a USB thumb drive
 - written by Jeremy Ruston

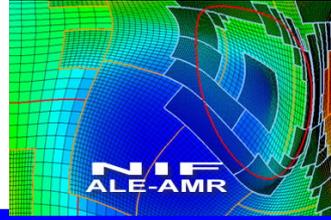
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ALE-AMR-Notebook TiddlyWiki goes here



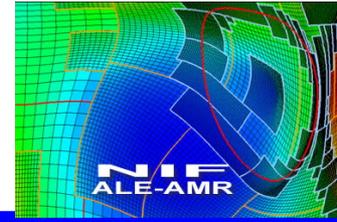
- **Link to <file:///Users/admin/wiki.html>**

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Anatomy of a new simulation code



SAMRAI

Structured Adaptive Mesh Refinement Application Infrastructure



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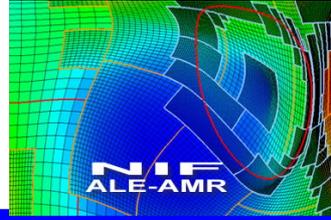
Subversion support
from **COLLABNET.**



Modern HPC codes rely on a variety of libraries and tools in addition to including multi-physics or engineering packages

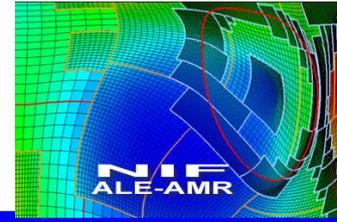


Verification Basics



- **Build Tests**
 - The multitude of libraries means that daily (nightly) builds are necessary
 - Build tests automatically check code out of repository
 - Specify systems of interest
 - Usually finds errors in configuration, not our code
- **Smoke Tests**
 - Designed to see if things are working in general without necessarily verifying correctness -- a few iterations of various problems
- **Unit Tests**
 - Tests that examine smaller units of code for correctness

For verification, there is a choice between simple developmental approach and tools



- **Low-key approach:**
 - Cron script, automatic email, html file, daily checking
- **Sophisticated Production Tools**
 - LLNL's Shawn Larson has developed **Tapestry** (next slides)
 - MPI parallel application
 - Batch and interactive
 - Tests spanning multiple codes
 - Multiple test suites support
 - And many more features
- **Open Source Options like Trac integrate other objects**
 - * wiki pages
 - * tickets
 - * changesets
 - * reports
 - etc.



Code Testing

2007, March 07

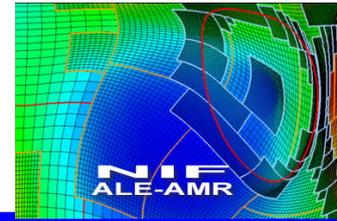
TAPESTRY Shawn Dawson

Past Results		
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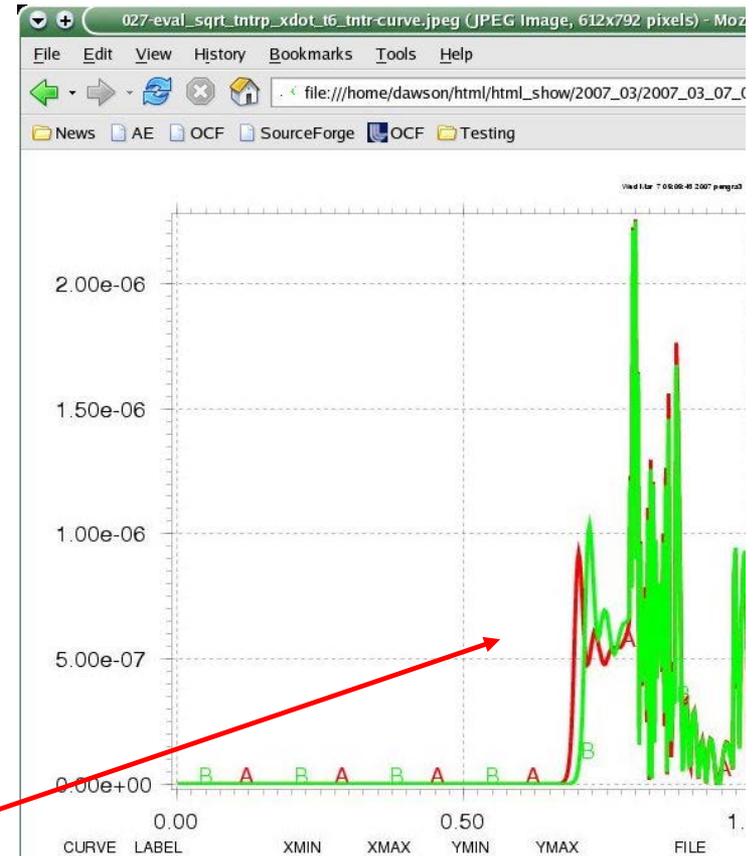
chaos_3_x86_elan3

Machine	Code Task	Result	Finish Time	Task Log Links & Reports	Test Artifacts
machine3	verification test	23 batch jobs submitted	2007/03/07 06:30:49	View Test Run Log	
machine3	verification report Code Version : 1.13.248 IOLib Version : 4.5.1 Library4 Version : 1.0.38 PAPI Version : 196608 Library3 Version : 7.23 Library1 Version : 4.9.\$Revision: 733 \$ Thu Feb 8 14:26:18 PST 2007 Another Library : YES - Version 20060613 Library2 Version : L 1.8.2b \$Date: 2003/10/22 23:46:36 \$ Compiled: Mar 7 2007 01:17:31	failures curve diffs in report 05 Deck.2d Deck.1d deck.cyl deck.sph.2d deck3 deck4	2007/03/07 09:16:11	View Report Generation Log View Curves Summary Report (03) View Curves Detail Report (04) View Curves Pass / Fail Report (05) View Simple Pass Fail Report (log)	<input type="checkbox"/> Deck.2d <input type="checkbox"/> Deck.1d <input type="checkbox"/> deck.cyl <input type="checkbox"/> deck.sph.2d <input type="checkbox"/> deck3

Curve differences are automatically plotted and can be enlarged in Tapestry

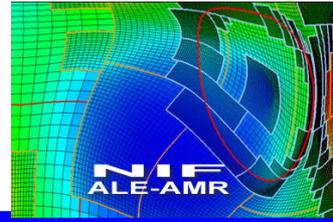


Large Image HTML	Link to large image HTML - contains embedded large images
System	chaos_3_x86_elan3
Report Date	2007, March 07
Baseline Code Version	Code Version : 1.13.225
New Code Version	Code Version : 1.13.248
Test Runtime	5 minutes
Test Case	Deck.1d
test step 1	Deck.1d
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Version.current	Version.current
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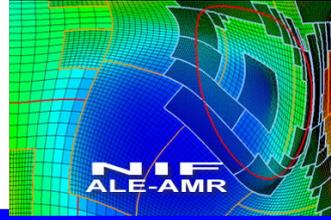
Curve Description	Code Curves A = New Curve B = Baseline Curve	Diff-Measure Curves C = Fractional Difference D = Average Fractional Difference
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Curve 027 : eval_sqrt_tntrp_xdot_t6_tntr		

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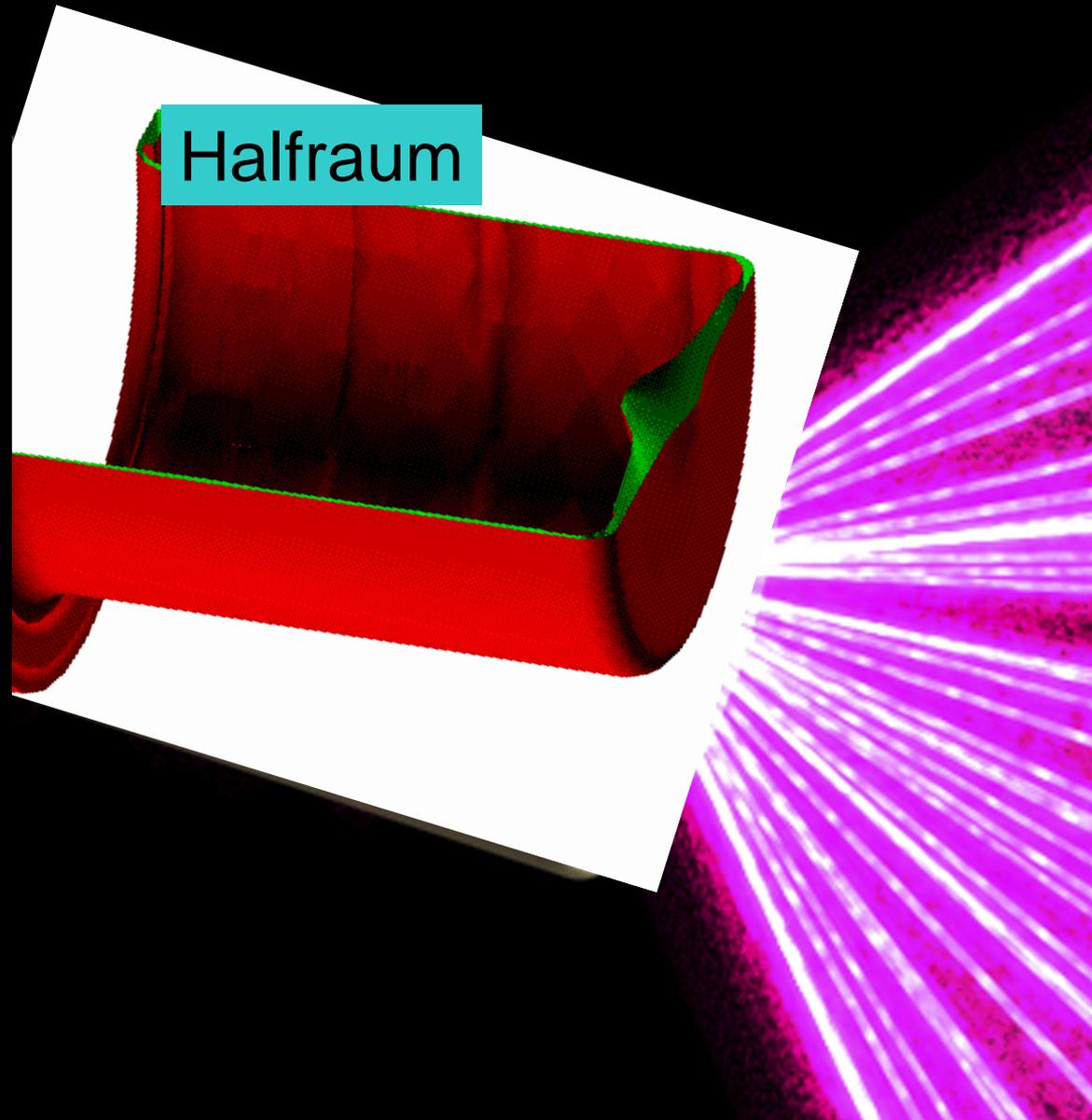
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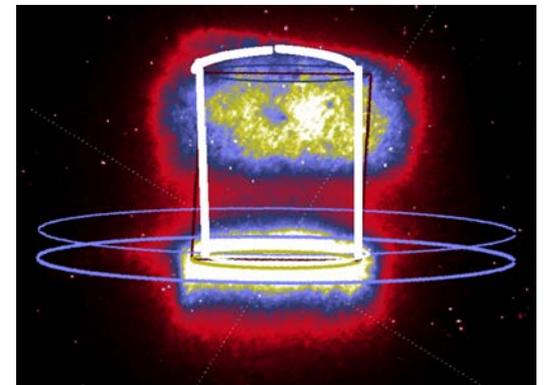
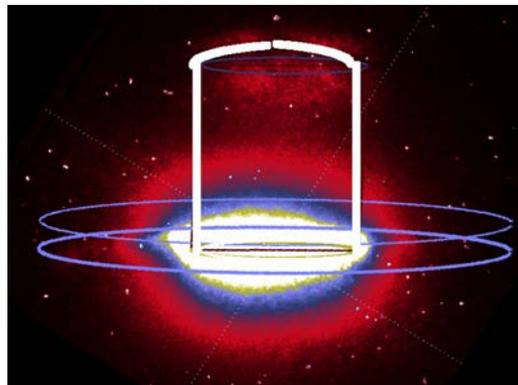
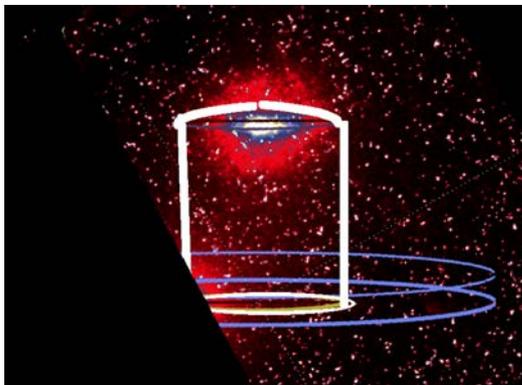
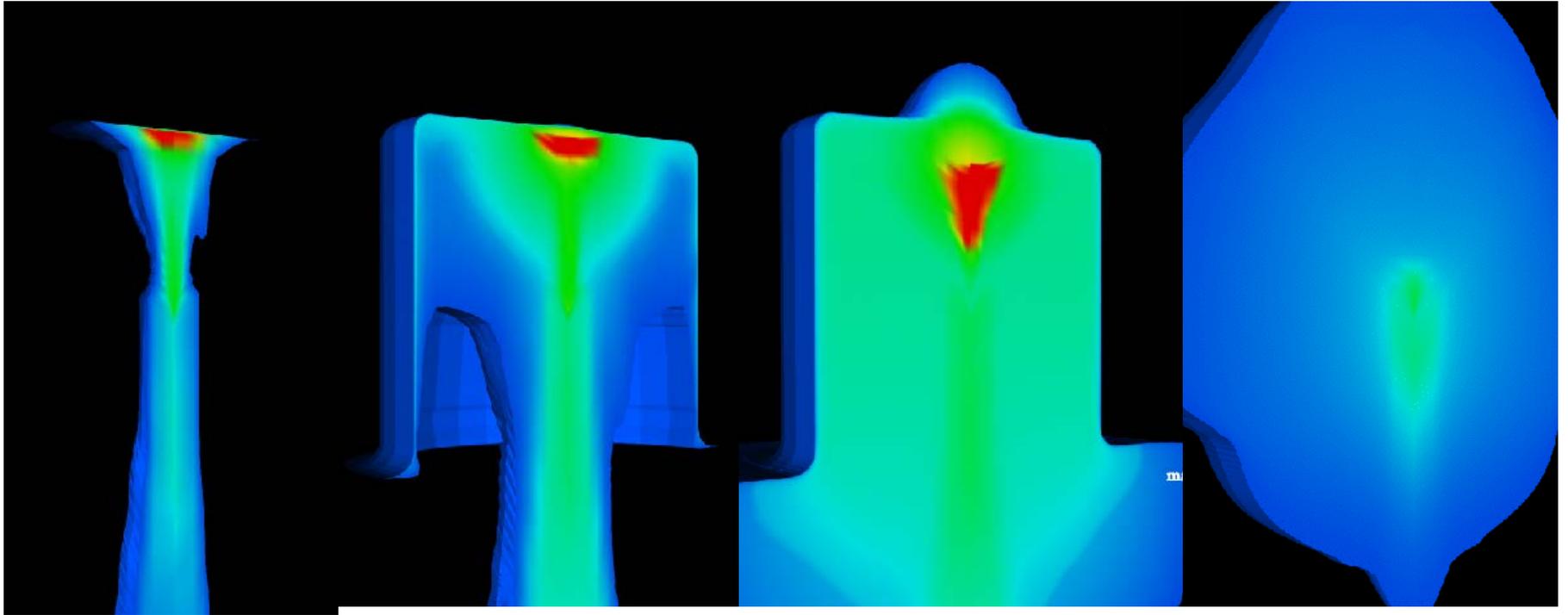
- **Three dimensional codes with relevant tests are extremely difficult to reduce to a single curve or number for comparison**
 - **Contrast this, e.g., to an icf capsule simulation where the yield is a single critical number**
- **Halfraum Experiment**
- **Ring Fragmentation**
- **Thin Plate Experiments**

Hohlraum

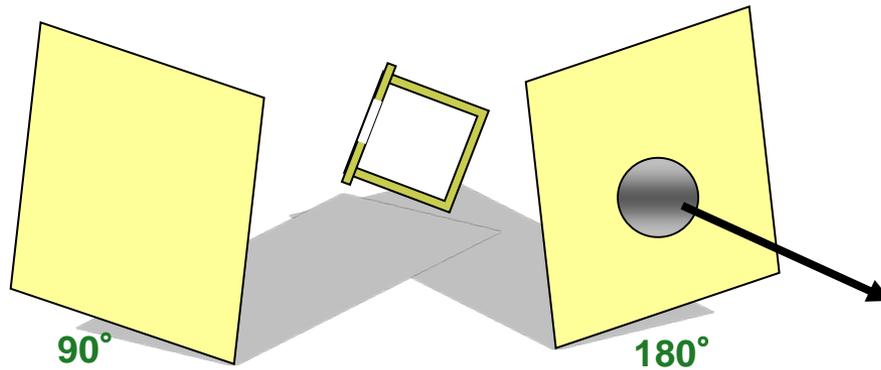
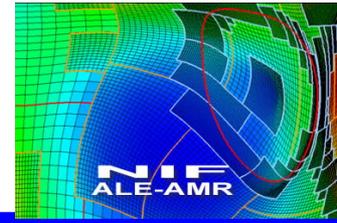


Comparison of NIF Early Light data with 3D simulations-

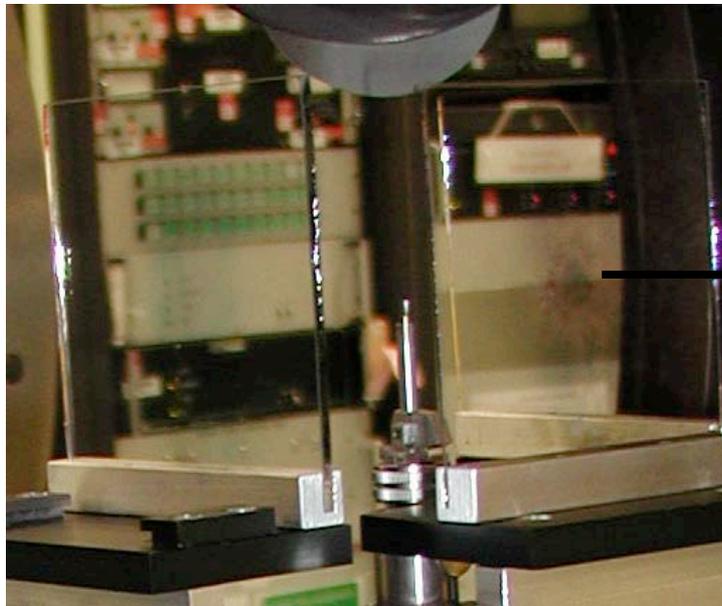
Experiment: M. Schneider, et al.



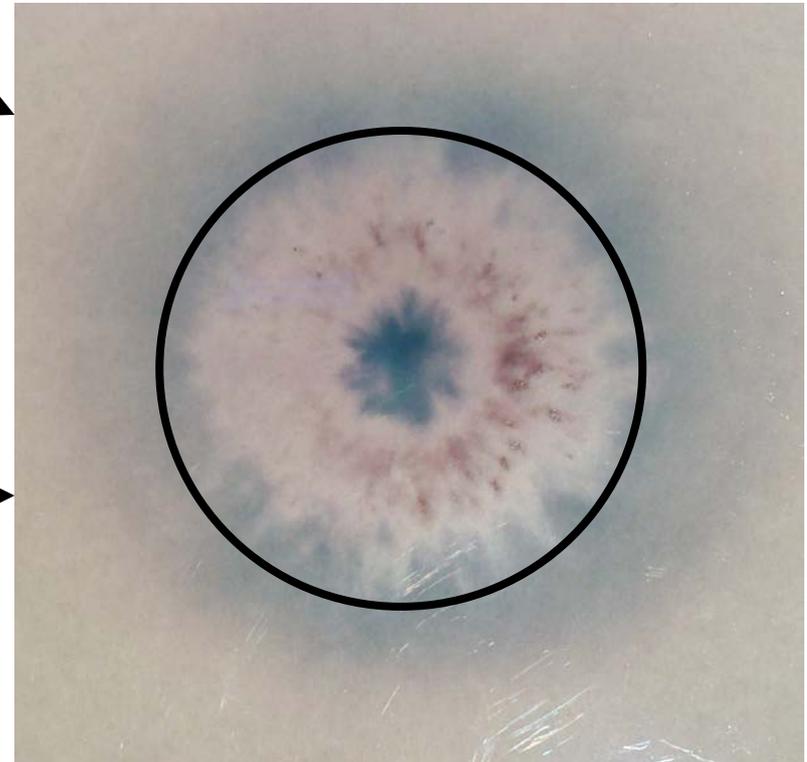
Benchmarking Simulations: On Helen at AWE, glass plates collect gold debris (experiment by J. Andrew)



Target emissions on 180° glass form ring pattern

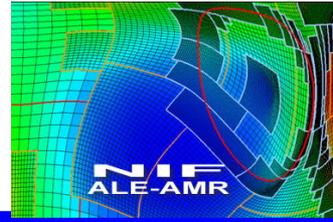


Standoff distance 8cm



Most mass contained in ring ($r \sim 3$ cm)
In agreement with simulation

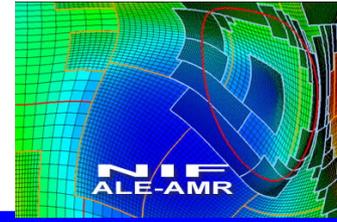
For fragmentation validation, there are some classic experiments with expanding rings



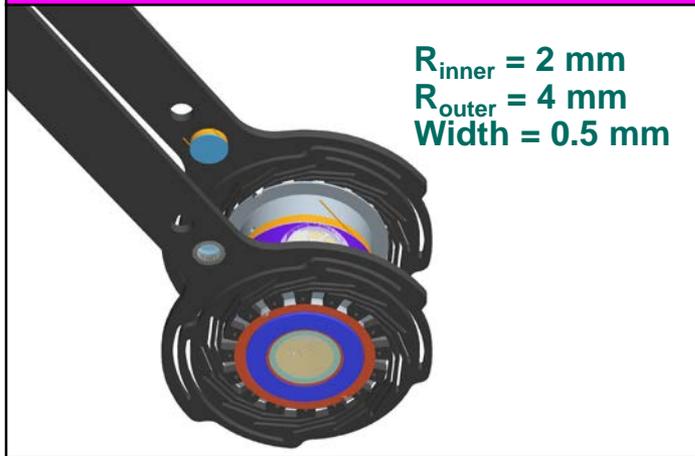
- **E-M Forces are used to force ring to expand with various velocities**
- **Ring breaks into differing numbers of pieces depending on velocity**
- **Comparison is somewhat subjective because of random seeding**
- **As is typical of 3D, visualization uncovered errors in code (too much regularity was fault of overlapping bc's)**

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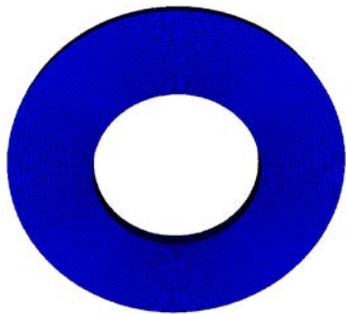
Actual NIF experiments will also provide a benchmarking data base



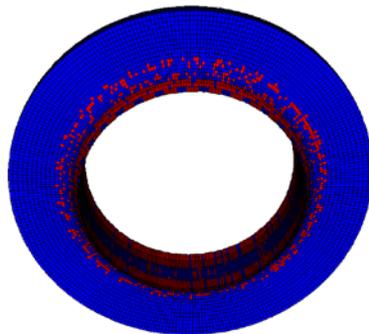
Cooling Rings Fragmentation Simulation



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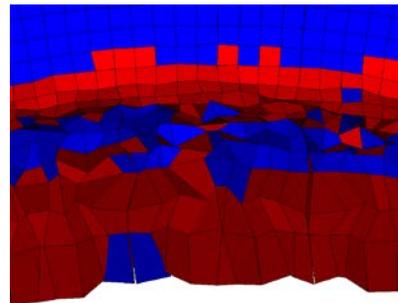


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$t = 0.5 \text{ μs}$

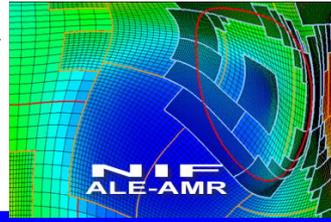
Red Indicates Failure



$t = 1 \text{ μs}$

Close-up
of fragments
($\sim 0.1 \text{ mm}$ or smaller)

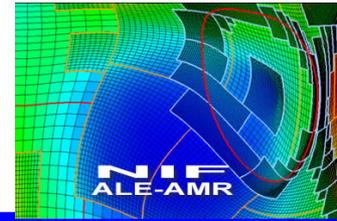
We are have dedicated shots on the Janus Laser at LLNL to capture fragments in aerogel



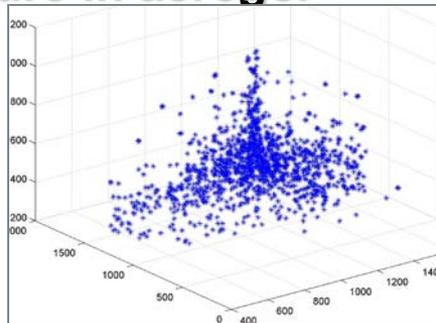
- **Shooting very thin foils puts us close to the microstructural level.**
- **Problem is taxing for any code. Ability to run both Lagrangian and adaptively meshing Eulerian is critical**

MP4 Movie
Plays here

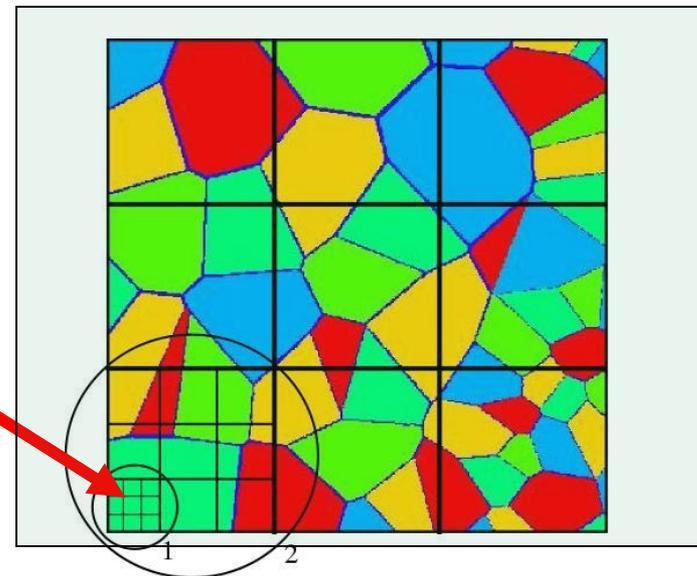
We are implementing a complex set of material models at different AMR levels



Fragment capture in aerogel



Hierarchical Material Model (HMM) with Voronoi Construction representing grain structure



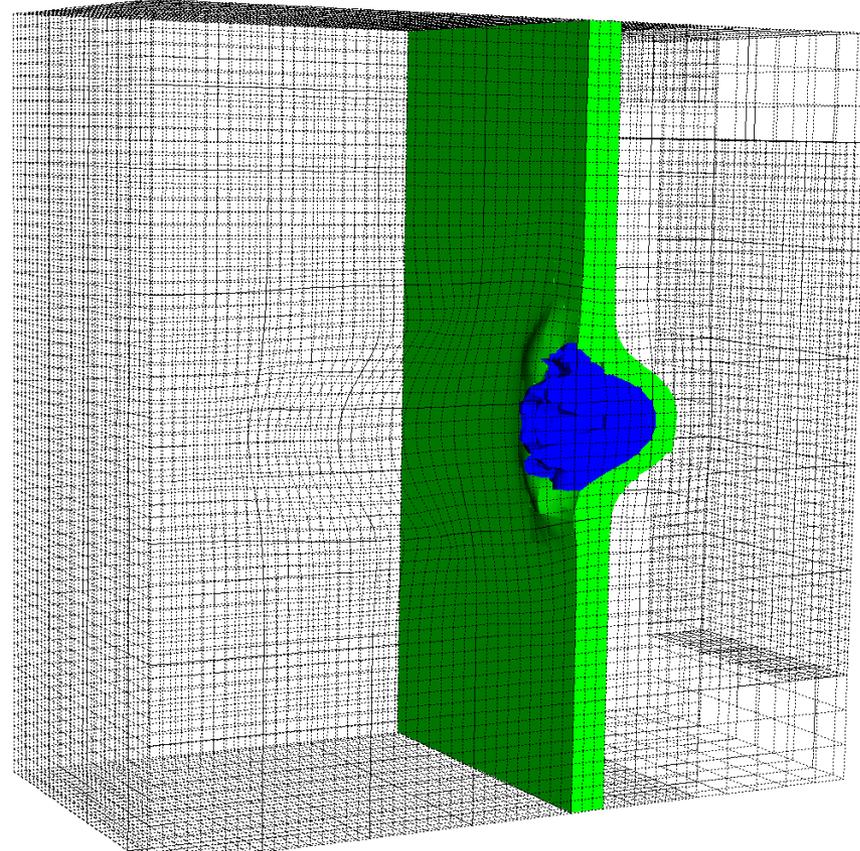
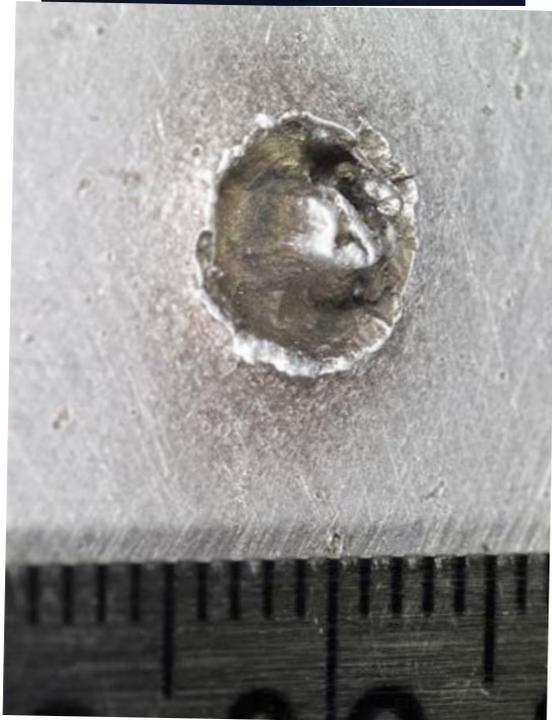
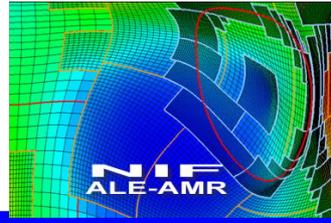
Low energy fragmentation experiment

Two SEM images showing the low energy fragmentation experiment. The left image is a top-down view of a dark, circular fragment with a red box highlighting a region. The right image is a cross-sectional view of the same fragment, showing a layered internal structure, with a red arrow pointing from the highlighted region in the top-down view to this cross-section.

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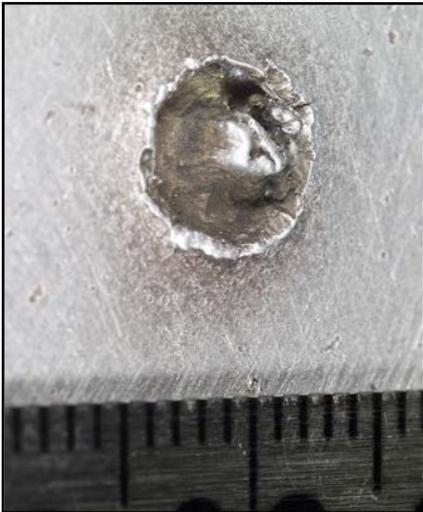
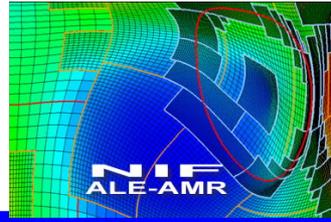
Two SEM images showing the high energy fragmentation experiment. The left image is a top-down view of a dark, circular fragment with a red box highlighting a region. The right image is a cross-sectional view of the same fragment, showing a more irregular, layered internal structure, with a red arrow pointing from the highlighted region in the top-down view to this cross-section.

The “it looks right” test is useful for 3D



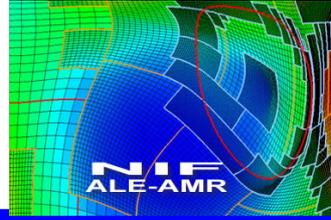
Simulation of OMEGA flapper plate damage

Movie of projectile simulation



QuickTime™ and a
H.264 decompressor
are needed to see this picture.

Summary



- **Development of a new predictive simulation code is enhanced and accelerated by team tools**
 - Chat room
 - Wiki
- **V&V tools (with emphasis on verification) are available**
 - Differing needs for large efforts/mature codes and smaller developmental projects
- **Predict: lots of new 3 D simulation codes in areas we have not tried to model in the last century**
 - The validation part of V&V is very difficult in this 3D regime
 - Dedicated experiments, cameras, other tools helpful