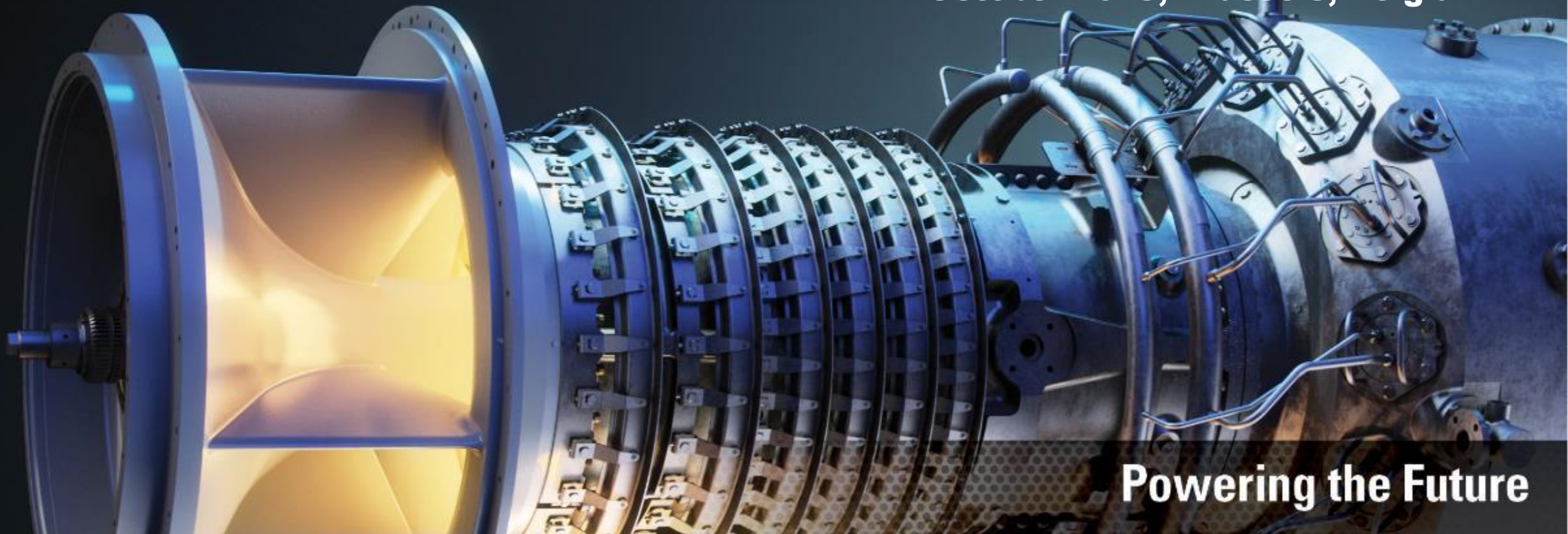


# REFERENCE STRESS ESTIMATION FOR ANISOTROPIC MATERIALS USING LINEAR ELASTIC FINITE ELEMENT RESULTS

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# Overview of Condition Based Engineering



# Condition-Based Engineering

- Develop and Deploy Digital Assists
  - Combines Machine Data with First Principle Engineering
    - Blending physics based and data driven models to create functional replica's of physical assets operating in the field
- Asset Optimization:
  - To forecast a continuous and accurate risk profile for optimal asset management
  - Improving life cycle costs



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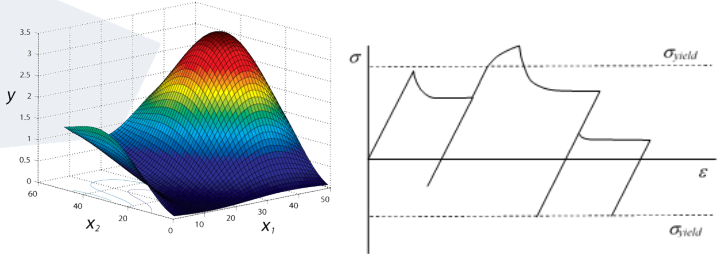


# Digital Asset Definition

- Collection of data driven, physics based & hybrid models which replicates the key aspects of the engine



- Models which utilize operational data to predict the actual condition of the engine

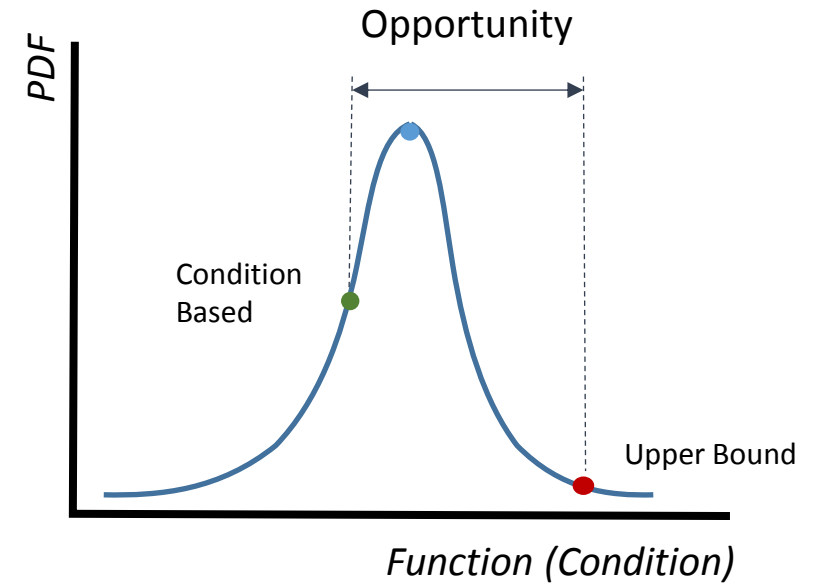
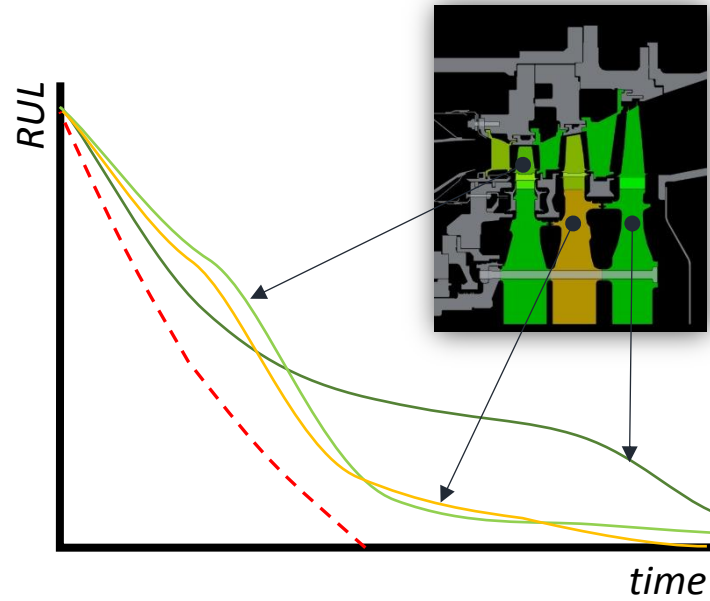
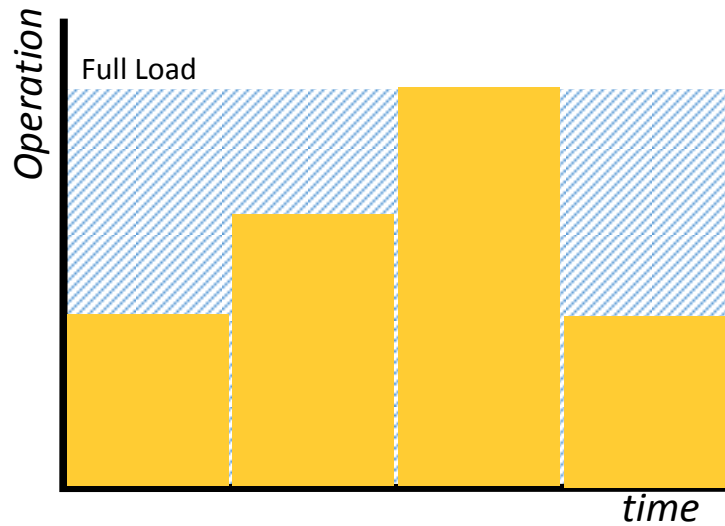
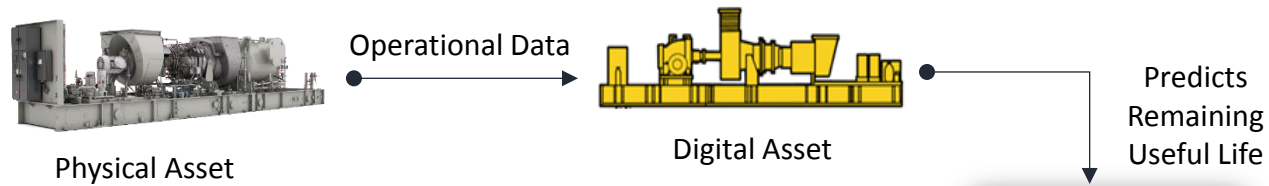


- To optimize the equipment and maximize value for the customer

- Enhancing Equipment Health Management (EHM)

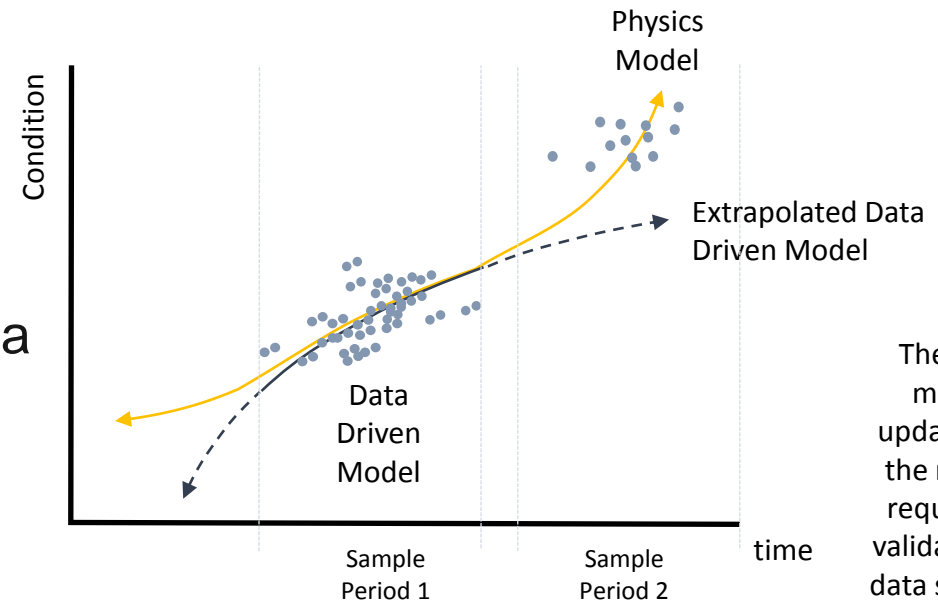
# Benefits of a Condition Based Approach

- Condition based approaches predict the non linear response, and don't rely on time to set the service interval
- To predict the actual status of the engine, (in place of assumption)



# Value of Physics Based Models

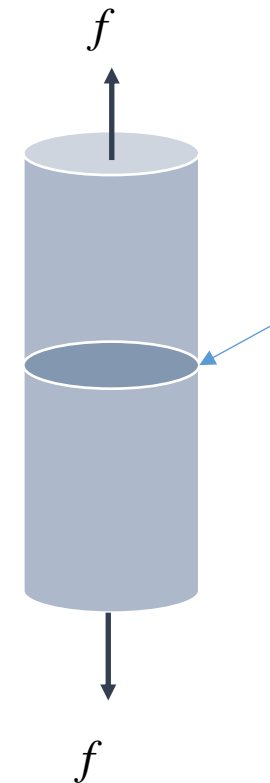
- First Principal Engineering:
  - Bound models that require specific (coupled) data
- Capable of modeling complex behaviors
  - Structured and predictable, requiring specific inputs
  - Do not require constant validation or large data sets
  - Benefit from correlation with causation
  - Can be extrapolated with confidence
- The challenge of physics based models
  - Traditional approaches can be



The data driven model can be updated to include the new data, but requires constant validation and large data sets in order to function

# Reduced Order Models (ROMs)

- Simplified models which simulate physics to improve computational efficiency and speed
  - Hybrid Models:
    - Combined data driven & physics models to create a specific output
    - Physics based model with unbound (non physical) coefficients
  - Engineering Approximations:
    - Applicable to specific conditions taking advantage of simplified boundary condition or empirical data
    - Examples:
      - Equivalent Stress, (von Mises or Hill)
      - Uniaxial stress
      - Stress concentration factors ( $K_t$ )
      - Notch root hypothesis
      - **Reference Stress**



Simple approximation of a stress tensor, taking advantage of the uniaxial boundary conditions

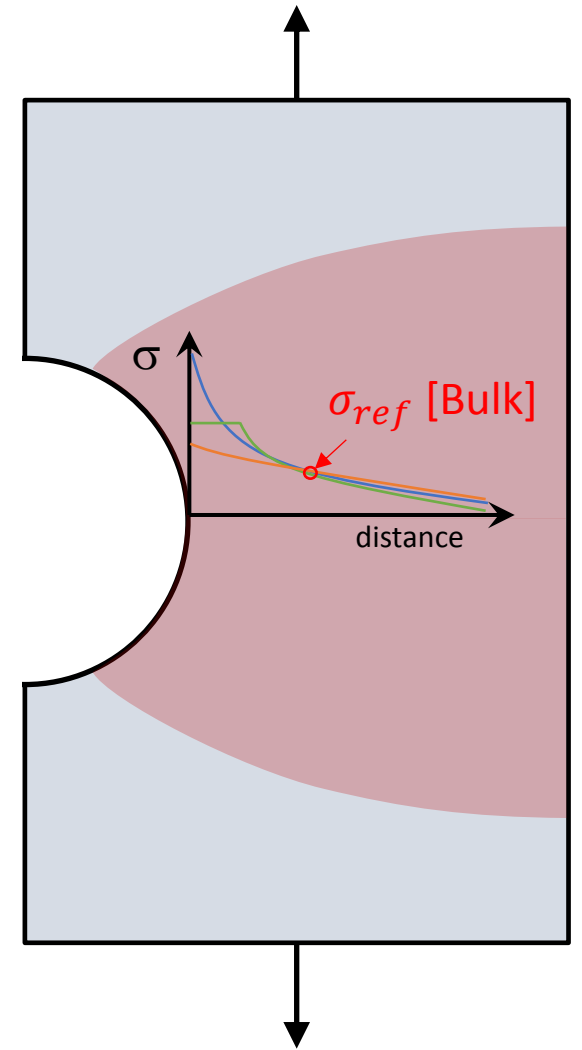
$$\sigma = \frac{f}{a}$$

Can be combined with a stress concentration to approximate localized stresses at a notch or feature



# Reference Stress

- Represents a generalized stress state (Bulk) within a structure
  - Can be used to assess structural integrity of components
  - Single value of stress that remains constant throughout the life of the component
  - For simple geometries, handbook solutions can be referenced
  - Complex geometries require a calculation method
  - Limited to applications that do not undergo gross plasticity (plastic collapse)



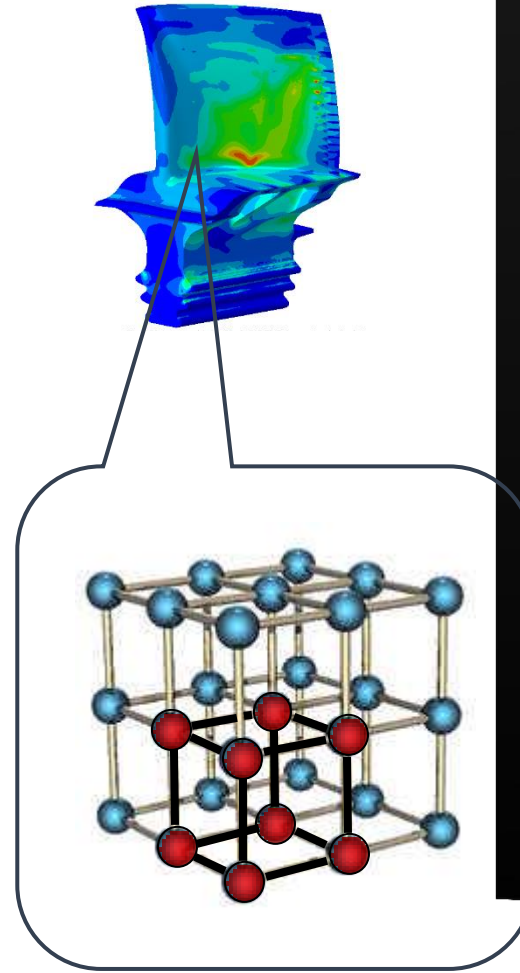
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# Reference stress for Single Crystal blades



# What is Anisotropy?

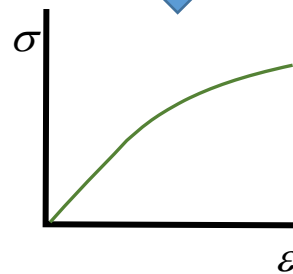
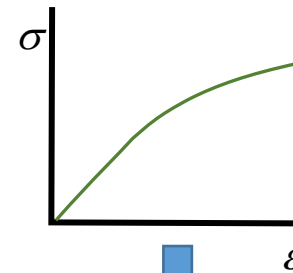
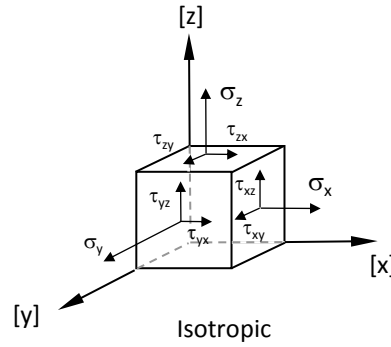
- Components such as turbine blades can be cast as a single crystal
  - No grain boundaries
- Single Crystals are anisotropic materials and have directionally dependent behavior
  - Provide improved high temperature capabilities
  - Creep Resistance



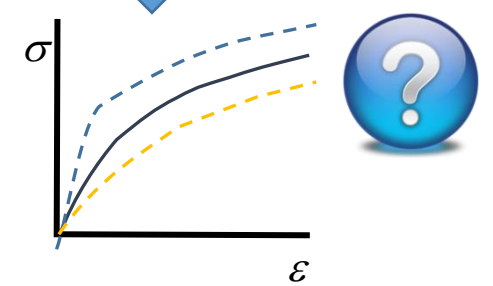
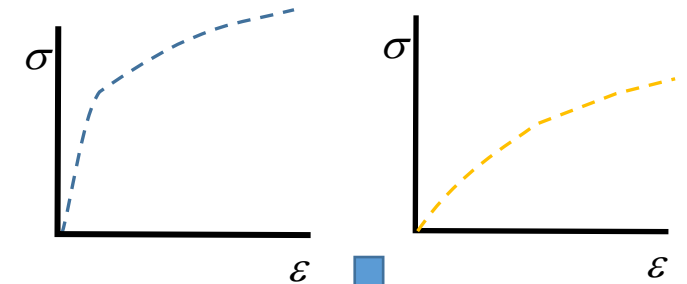
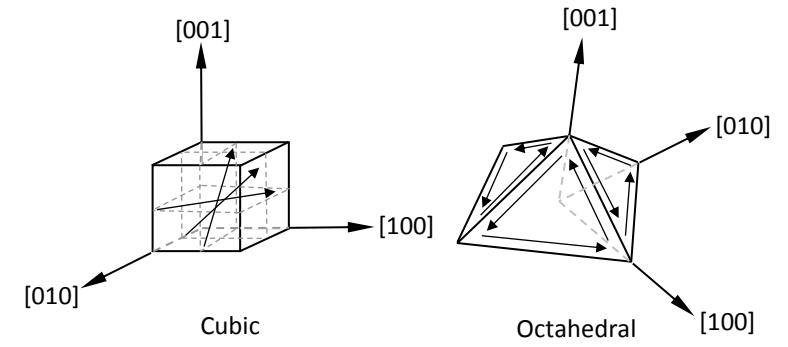
# Challenges of Anisotropy

- Difficult to predict stress state
  - Need to predict shear strains on the active slip systems
- Damage accumulation is non linear and therefore path dependent
- Significant challenge
  - Typically addressed with constitutive models
  - High fidelity numerical analysis (FEA)
  - How do we accomplish this for Digital Assets?

FCC Isotropic System



FCC Anisotropic System

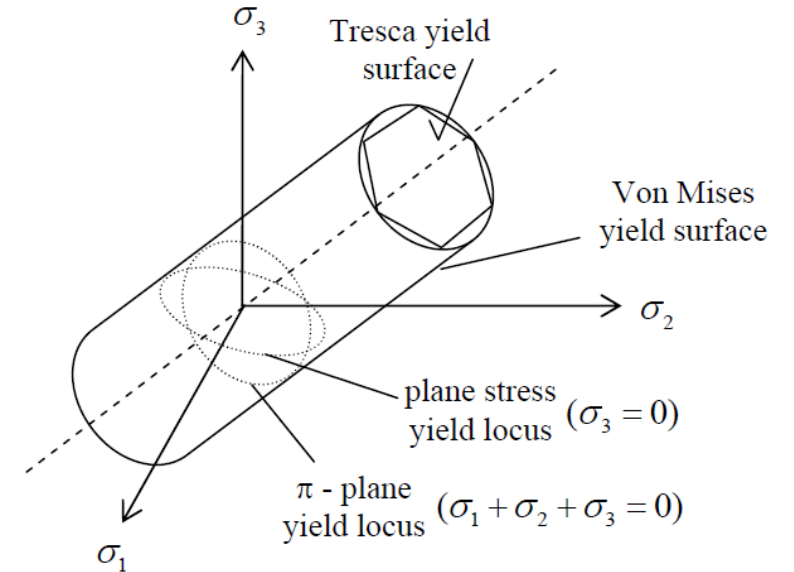


Negating Isotropic hardening affects

# Simplified Approach to Anisotropy

- Hill Model

- Provides a unified yield criteria needed for bulk integration
  - Avoids modeling individual shear strains on the active slip systems
- Yield condition can be estimated using Hill yield criterion
  - combines anisotropic yield properties into one equation
- Sufficiently accurate for bulk plasticity estimations



$$f(s_{ij}) = \frac{1}{2} C_{ijkl} s_{ij} s_{kl} - 1$$

Hill equation

Ref. Hill, R., *The Mathematical Theory of Plasticity*, Oxford University Press, 1950, pg 318-320

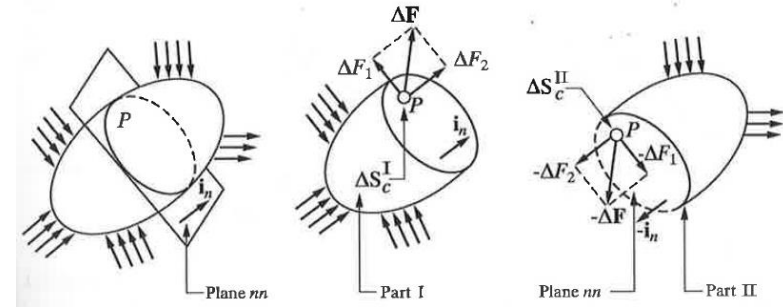
# Simplified Approach to Anisotropy

- Energy Balance

- Using this approach to balance external loads with the internal forces
- We can integrate anisotropic yield properties from the Hill criterion into this model
- From this we can determine the limit load multiplier

$$F = \int_V s_{ij} \frac{1}{2} (v_{i,j} + v_{j,i}) dV + \int_V \sigma \delta_{ij} v_{i,j} dV - \int_{S_V} R_i v_i dS - m \left( \int_{S_T} T_i v_i dS - 1 \right) - \int_V \mu [f(s_{ij}) + \phi^2] dV$$

Mura, T., Lee, S.L., *Applications of Variational Principles to Limit Analysis*, Q. Appl. Math, Vol 21, No. 3, 1963, pg 243-248



Armenakas, A.E., *Advanced Mechanics of Materials and Applied Elasticity*, Taylor & Francis Group, 2006, pg. 67.

$$m' = \frac{m^0}{1 + G}$$

$$m^0 = \sqrt{\frac{V_T}{\int_{V_T} \frac{1}{2} C_{ijkl} s_{ij} s_{kl} dV}}$$

$$G = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\int_{V_T} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (m^0)^2 C_{ijkl} s_{ij} s_{kl} - 1 \right]^2 dV}{V_T}}$$

# Simplified Approach to Anisotropy

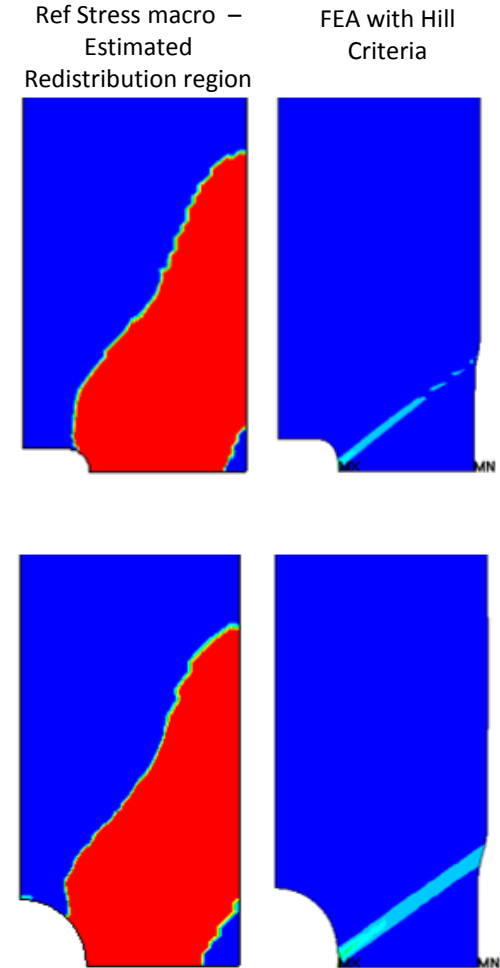
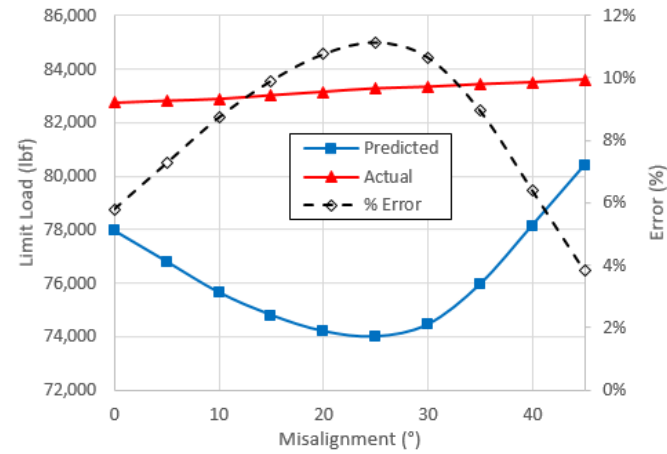
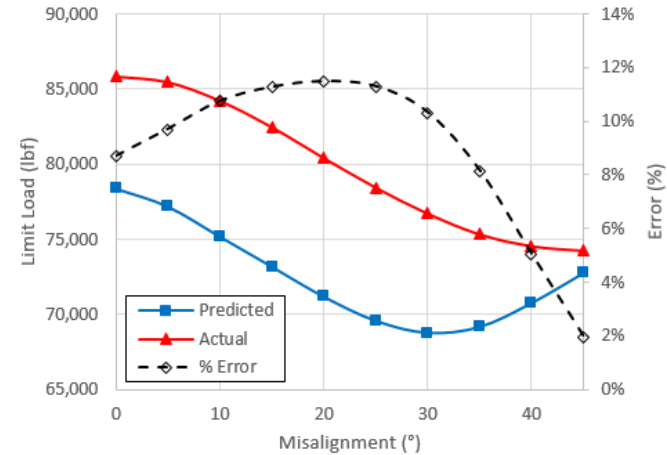
- Validation

- Compared prediction to non-linear FEA

- Tested at various orientations
- Results are in a relatively good agreement for a reduced order model (~10%)
- Conservative for bulk redistribution regions with large deviation in orientations

- Findings

- Once bulk yielding had occurred, the stress tensors aligned with load
  - Implication is that once bulk yielding occurs, misalignment is insignificant
- This could be a potential source of anisotropic yield strengthening
  - Material testing should validate this hypothesis



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# Conclusion

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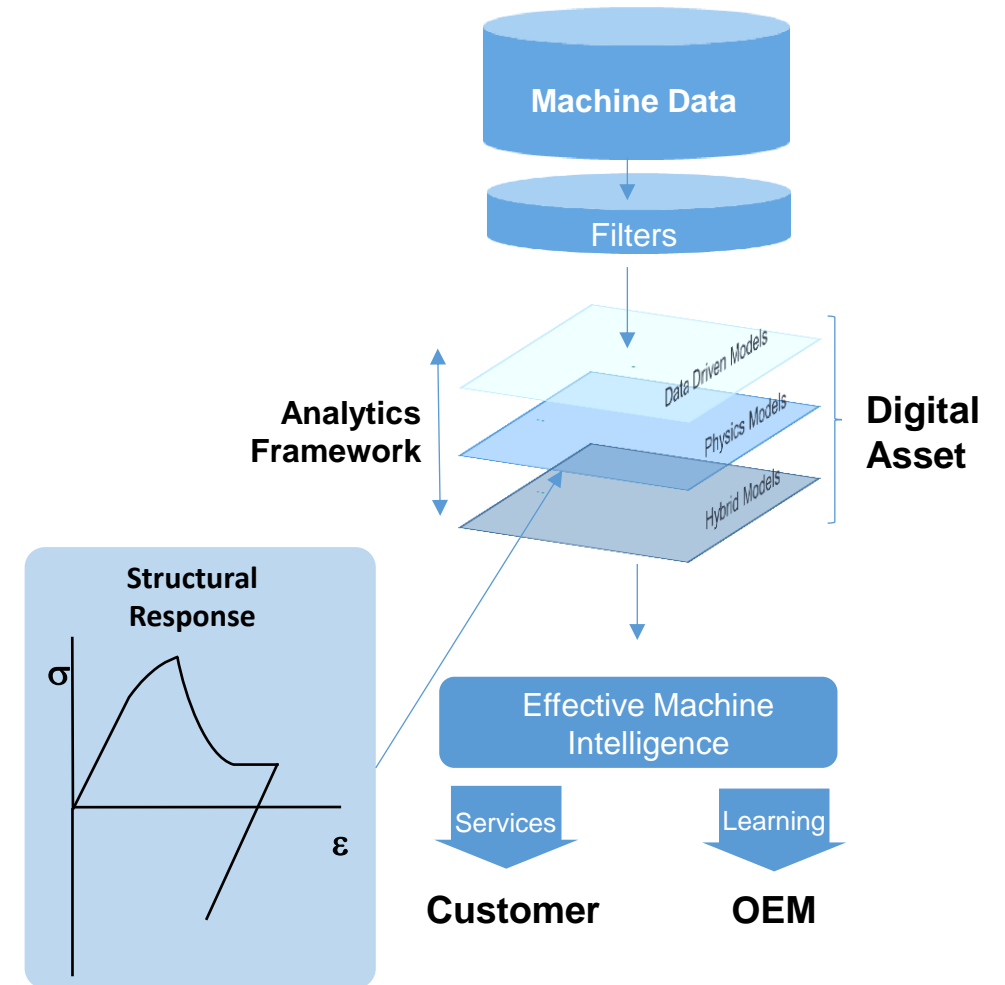
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# Conclusions

- Digital Assets:
  - Use operational data with a blend of data driven and computationally efficient physics based models in order to effectively manage risk
    - Predicting the life of critical hot section components such as SC blades is key to managing the health of the equipment
- Physics Models:
  - 1D approximations are highly effective within specific constraints
    - Reference stress is a key element for a reduced order approach to component life prediction
    - An anisotropic reference stress models is proposed which agrees reasonably well with the full order model
- Creep – Fatigue Interaction
  - Reference stress is used to model more advanced material behavior
    - Such as stress relaxation and rupture reference stress which are key to modeling creep-fatigue interaction



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