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**Executive Summary**

This report explains in details finite element thermomechanical model built to simulate monomaterial and bimaterial L-PBF (Laser Powder Bed Fusion) process at microscale and mesoscale. All equations for thermal and mechanical behavior are explained, as all boundary conditions and loading induced by the process. This model has been built using in-house finite element software.

The model has been used to simulate different generic cases, waiting more detailed process parameters. These cases are:

- Microscopic scale with one track simulation (for AlSi10Mg)
- Mesoscopic scale with up to ten coincident tracks and layers for monomaterial configuration (for AlSi10Mg)
- Same with bimaterial configuration

Thermal and mechanical field obtained permits to define the geometry scale to be considered to achieve representativeness of thermal history and residual stresses. First simulation with bimaterial configuration show a very complex stress generation at interface wich leads us to conclude on the importance of near interface lasing strategy as material consolidation order (A then B, B then A).

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## 1. Introduction

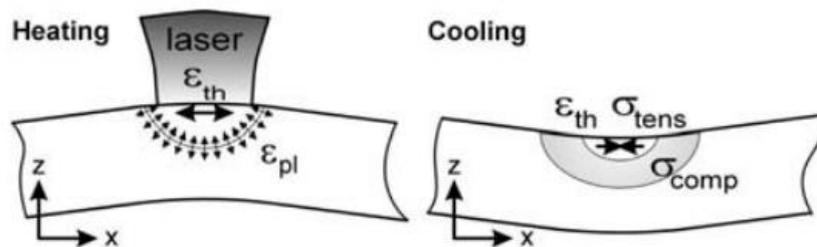
This deliverable is dedicated to microscale and mesoscale simulations of dissimilar L-PBF manufacturing (Laser Powder Bed Fusion). This work is realised in the frame of the WP2 of the project (Design & Modelling). This work package is subdivided in four tasks:

- Computational path planning for joining dissimilar materials by DED (T2.1)
- Baseline alloy modification for improved joining by PBF-LB (T2.2)
- FEM modelling of residual stresses, thermal history, melt pool temperatures at micro level scale (T2.3)
- Use Case component design and simulation (T2.4)

The first main topic of this workpackage is to define materials or materials assembly (in case of DED process) to optimise manufacturing reliability as part properties. The first difficulty induced by these two high temperature processes involving bimaterial manufacturing is to manage inter diffusion between both materials. Inter diffusion leads often to intermetallic precipitation. Generally, intermetallic phases are brittle. In the case of DED process, diffusion aspects can be controlled using intermediate layers. It is also the case for others bimaterial processes like brazing, HIP (High Isostatic Pressing, welding,...). For L-PBF process, the only solution is to choose a compatible chemical composition for both materials and limiting diffusion mechanism. This work is dedicated to first two tasks (T2.1 and T2.2).

If we want to optimise chemical compositions in L-PBF process in that way, we need to have an idea of the thermal history at interface between materials. Knowing this thermal history, we can be able to predict numerically inter diffusion zones at interface.

Another difficulty of these bimaterial processes are residual stresses. Residual stresses induced by material contraction during cooling, moreover with multimaterial processes inducing local thermal expansion mismatches (see **Figure 1**), is the main cause for small or large cracking in dissimilar material assemblies, and so by extrapolation to high temperature multimaterial 3D printing processes, whatever the process used (cold spray, L-PBF, DED, etc...). This cracking is of course also dependent on materials ductilities.



**Figure 1:** thermal gradient effect for monomaterial L-PBF process [1]

As a result, we need to consider three different main aspects in our materials/process optimisation:

- Limitation of residual stresses induced by the process
- The best mechanical compatibility between both materials, i.e thermal expansion and ductility in first order
- The best chemical compatibility between materials, i.e. intermetallic precipitation.

The numerical tool which will be developed in this T2.3 work will permit the project to develop best materials couples and process parameters to achieve bimaterial parts with good mechanical properties. Results from workpackage will be useful for other tasks from this workpackage, as we need inputs from other workpackages. The interaction chart of this T2.3 is presented **Figure 2**.

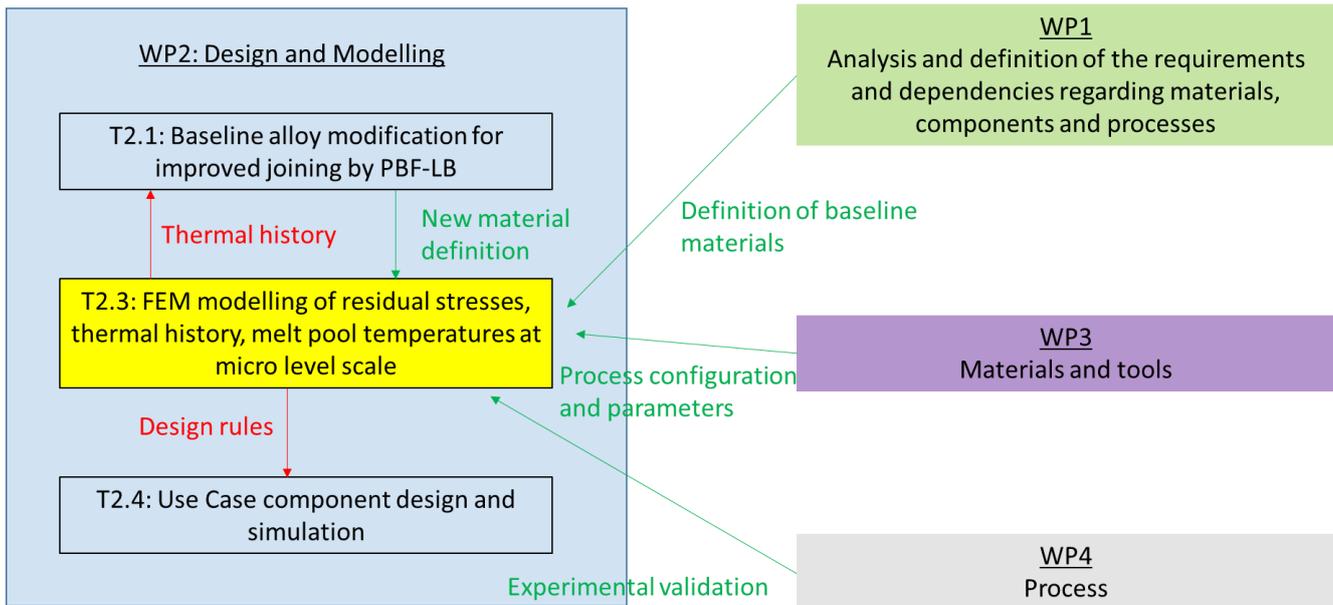


Figure 2: T2.3 interaction chart

The last topic of this workpackage WP2 is dedicated to the design and optimisation of use cases using DED or L-PBF process (T2.4).

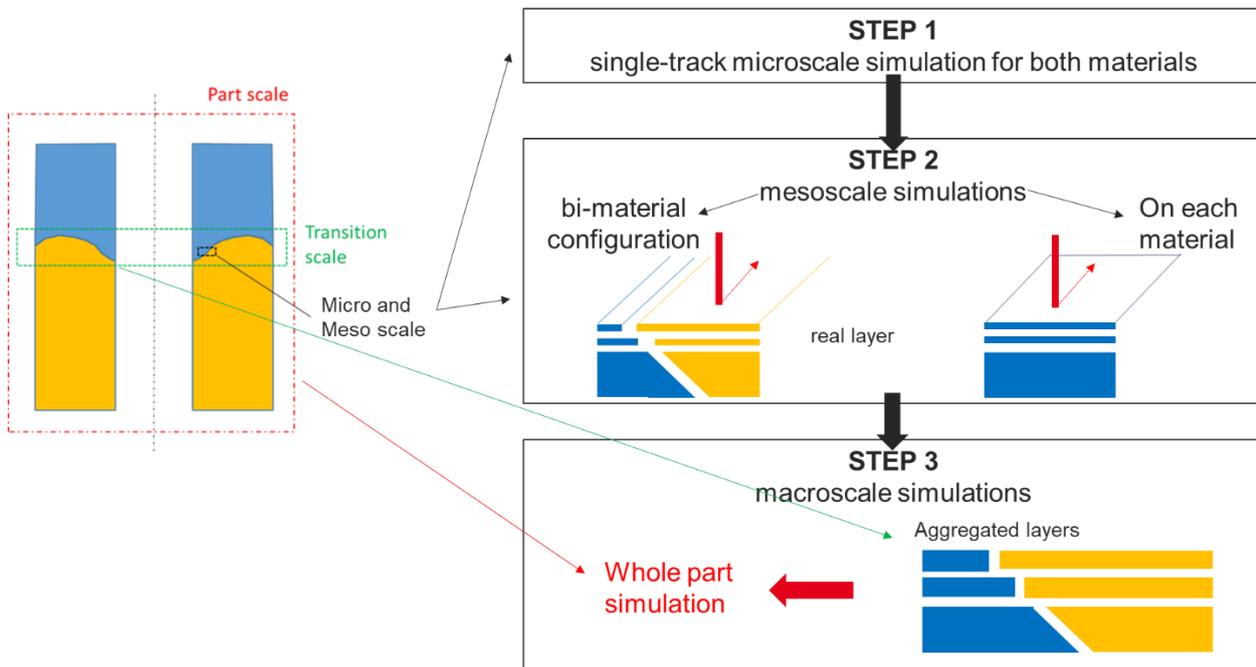


Figure 3: global simulation strategy

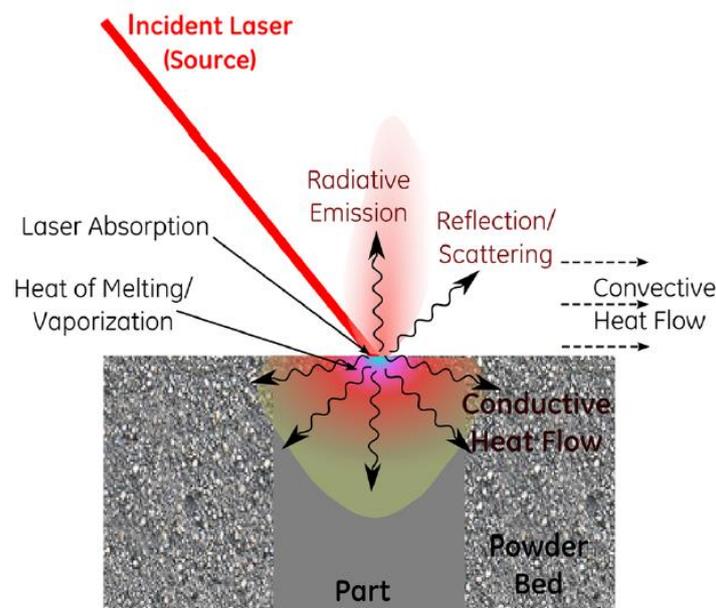
During this project, we will focus our work on Copper/Aluminium L-PBF configuration, as it is the most challenging couple in terms of inter-diffusion and mechanical residuals stresses. More precisely, we will deal with AlSi10Mg/CuCrZr bimaterial configuration.

All the work realised during this first year as explanations on simulation strategy are given in APPENDIX A.

## 2. Results and Discussion

Before to go in details on simulation building and results, we present Figure 3 the global simulation strategy wich will be conducted during this project. Three simulation scales will be studied:

- **Microscale simulation.** We focus here on the study of a single track lasing. Main outputs at that scale are melt pool dimension. Melt pool dimension is very important for thermal history and residual stresses generation. At that scale, we can fit numerous thermal loading and boundary conditions involved in this process (see **Figure 4**) before going to upper scales, generally involving lot of more computation times.



*Figure 4: thermal model at micro scale [2]*

- **Mesoscale simulation.** At that scale, we deal with several contiguous lasing tracks and several layers. This scale permits to have a good access to thermo-mechanical phenomenoms acting during the process. At that scale we will introduce bimaterial L-PBF configuration. This scale will permit to extract proper thermal history for diffusion calculations and residuals stresses. Moreover, these simulation at that scale will permit to extract inherent strains ([3]) for macroscale simulations.
- **Macroscale simulation.** At that scale we will be able to compute simulation on whole parts. These simulations are needed to predict part deformation during process and in a certain way, induced stresses. Macroscale simulation building will be done during next year.

From this first year T2.2 work, we present in this deliverable:

- Building of base thermomechanical model with associated process thermal loading and boundary conditions.
- Microscale simulations with AlSi10Mg
- Monomaterial mesoscale simulation with AlSi10Mg
- Bimaterial mesoscale simulation with AlSi10Mg/CuCrZr

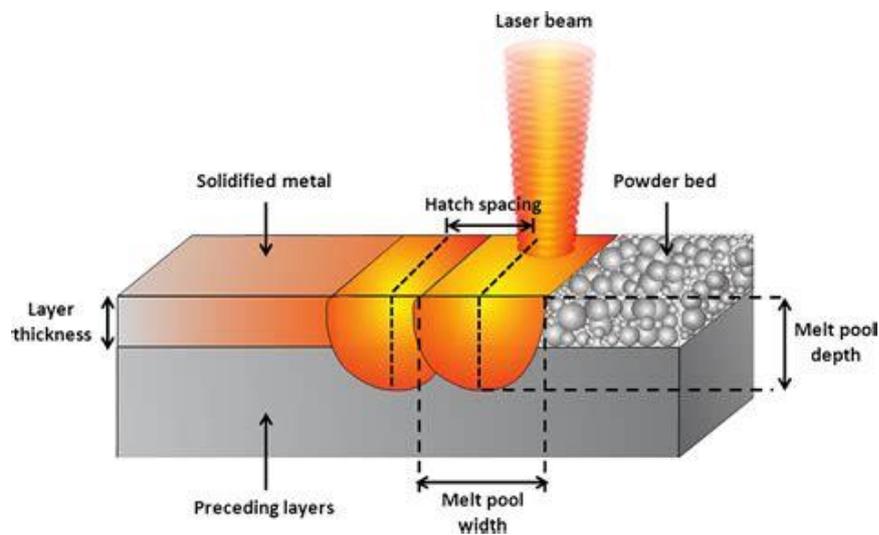
We focused on simulations on AlSi10Mg for model building, but similar simulations can be run using CuCrZr. As process parameters are not known at that time, there is no needs to conduce simulation for both materials.

## 2.1. Model building

For these simulations, we built a thermomechanical model (sequential iterative coupling) using in-house open source software (Cast3M [4]). Main things to consider for our L-PBF application are:

- Properly model all boundary conditions, in particular thermal ones (convection, radiation, laser source model)
- Manage powder behavior. Indeed, powder layer (see Figure 5) have a very low thermal conductivity and close to none mechanical rigidity.
- Include latent heat effects during solid/liquid phase change. It is a little bit tricky to integrate this phenomenon for high-speed liquefaction/solidification processes.

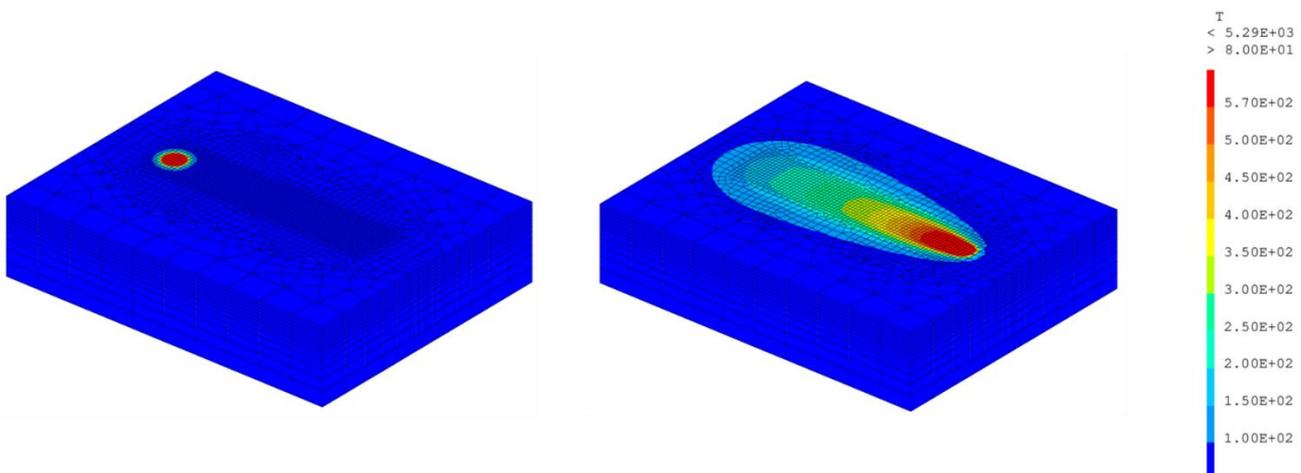
As bimaterial process parameters are not yet consolidated in terms of process parameters, we used process parameters from litterature.



**Figure 5:** powder and bulk material configuration during L-PBF process [5]

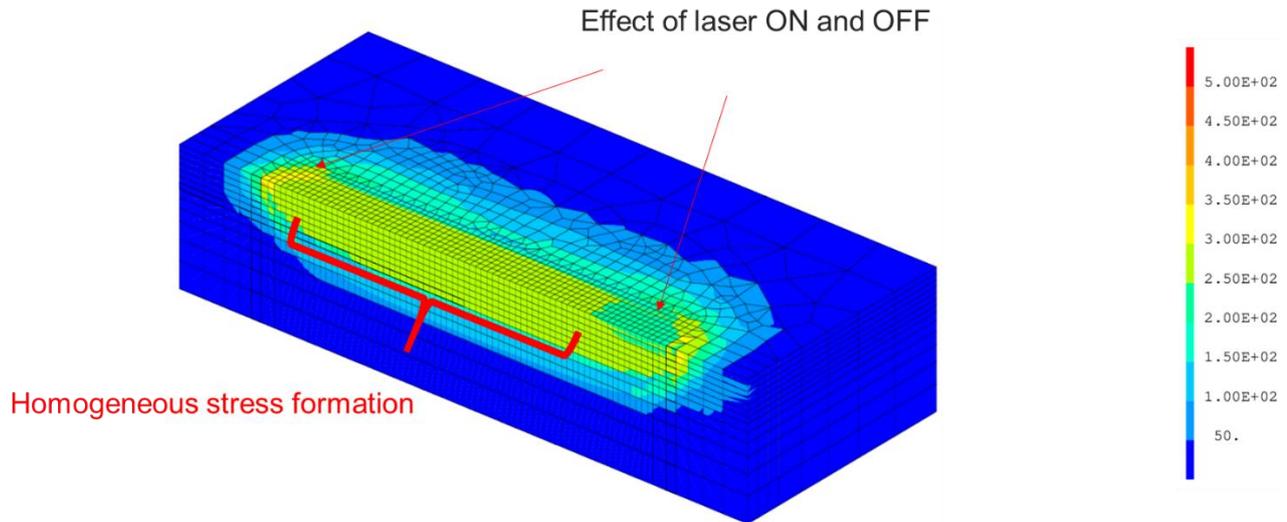
### 2.1. Single track simulation (AlSi10Mg)

We present **Figure 6** the temperature field obtained for AlSi10Mg. From this thermal information, we can compute melt pool size. Computed melt pool size is quite coherent with the one computed from classic analytical model using Rosenthal equation ([6]).



**Figure 6:** temperature during lasing of a single line (AlSi10Mg)

For mechanical behavior materials, we choose in first step a simple perfectly plastic behavior depending on temperature. Residual stresses induced are mainly traction ones due to material contraction during cooling. We observe laser ignition and stop effect due to different thermal cooling speed at that points.



**Figure 7:** V.M. stress field during lasing of a single line (AlSi10Mg)

Integrating more thermal non-linearities as properties depending on temperature and liquid conductivity change melt pool dimensions, but we pay the price in terms of computation times as seen **Table 1**. If computation time is not problematic for monotrack simulation, computation times are important (>1 day) for mesoscopic one when we compute several tracks/layers.

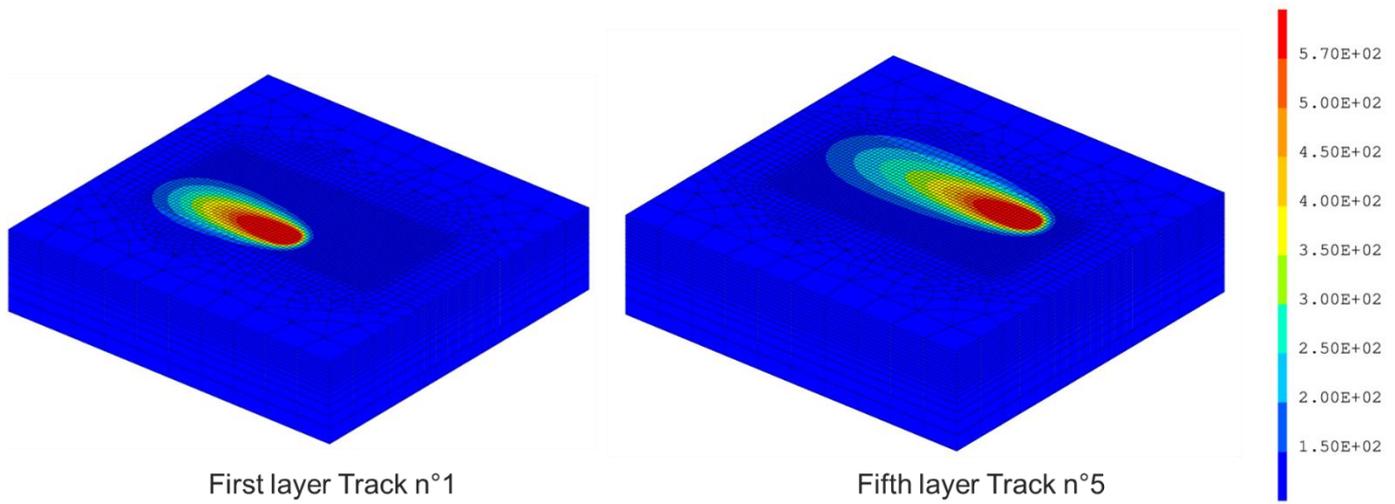
If we want to accelerate computation times, we can neglect non-linearities in a first approach. It makes sense for lasing strategy optimisation and various sensibility analysis.

N	NL thermal properties	liquid conductivity	powder/bulk phase change	latent heat	time (min)	factor	melt pool dimension		
							length [μm]	width h [μm]	depth [μm]
1					10	1.00	530	195	120
2	x				30	2.94	485	195	120
3	x	x			89	8.79	394	260	120
4	x	x	x		93	9.19	432	195	120
5	x		x		39	3.90	545	195	120
6				x	41	4.05	909	195	90
7	x	x		x	269	26.66	667	195	90

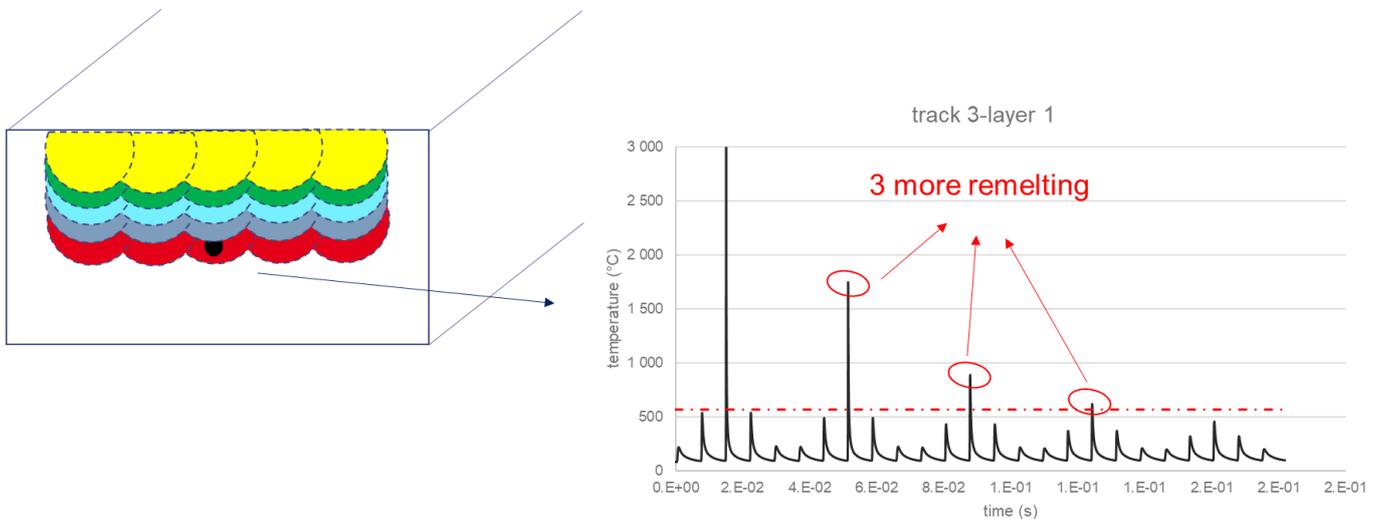
**Table 1:** Evolution of melt pool dimensions and computation times depending on thermal non-linearities assumptions

## 2.2. Mesoscopic monomaterial simulation (AlSi10Mg)

We conducted a mesoscopic simulation with five contiguous laser lines during five layers (total of 25 laser lines). We made here the assumption of a lasing strategy without rotation between layers. Deep analysis of thermal evolution might lead us to conclude that scans with ten layers (10x10 laser lines) is necessary to achieve a kind of stable thermal periodicity (see **Figure 9**).

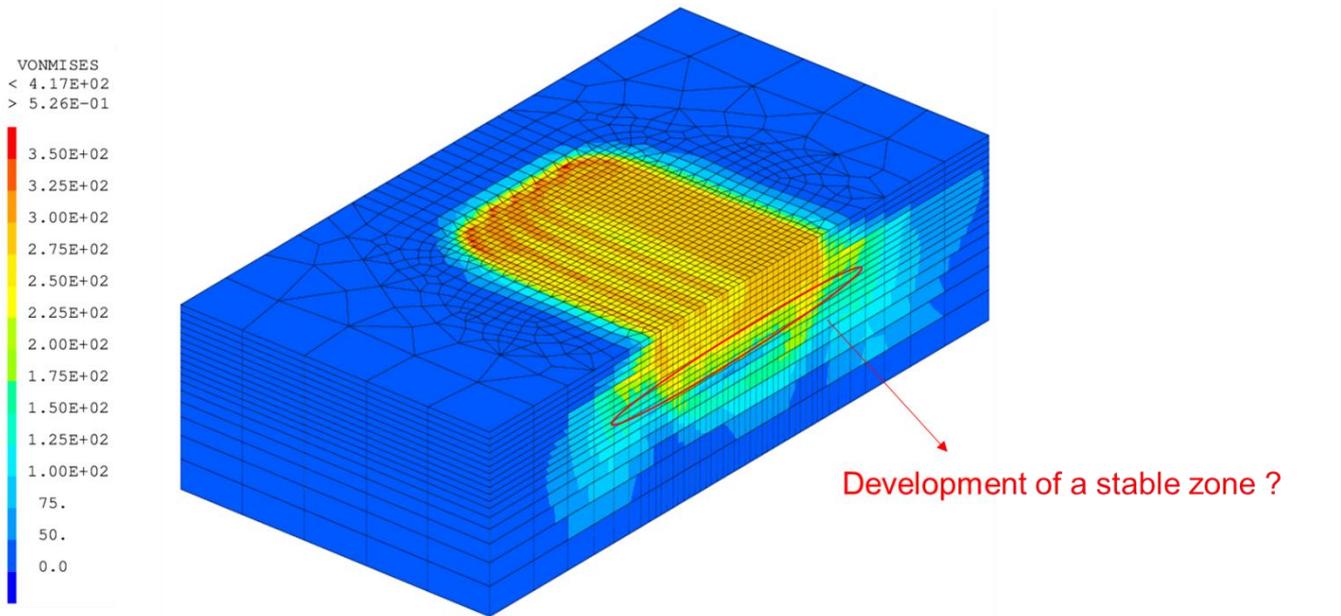


**Figure 8:** temperature field during first and last laser line for 5x5 mesoscopic simulation (AlSi10Mg)



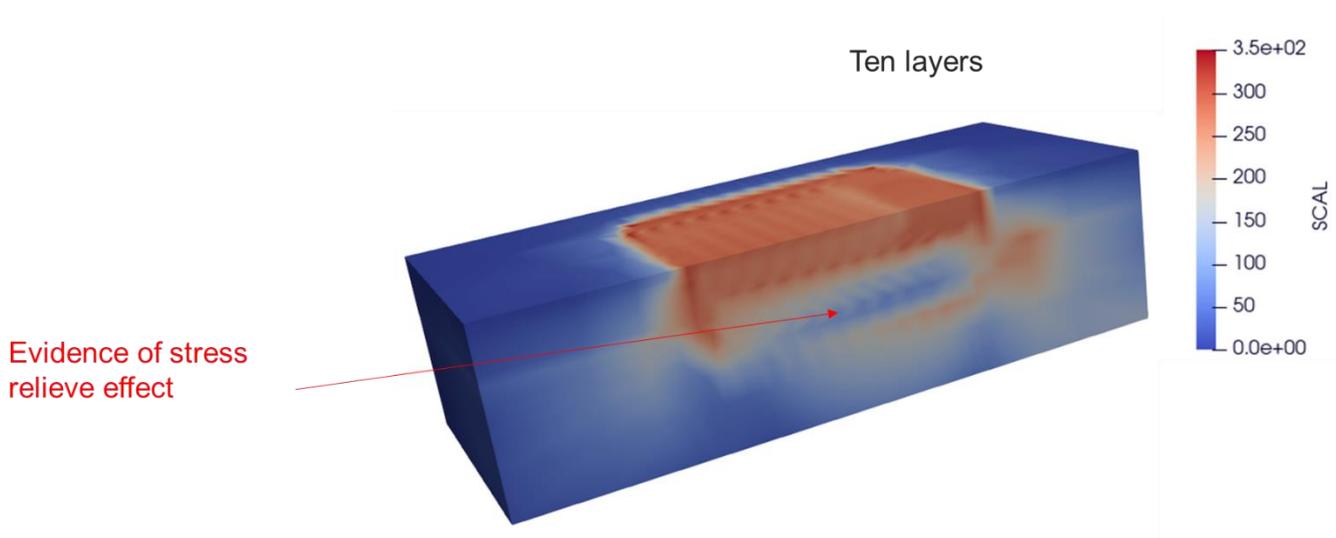
**Figure 9:** upper thermal history at third scan (AlSi10Mg)

Concerning mechanical residual field, a quick stabilisation of stress field is observed with contiguous tracks is observed (**Figure 10**). Last two tracks present side effects. We observe a lower residual stresses zone below approximately five manufactured layers, which probably correspond to a kind of stress relieve phenomenon induced by medium temperatures without melting. Therefore, five layers is not sufficient if we want to quantify internal residual stresses of our material. To quantify upper residual stresses which are quantitatively more important, five layers seems sufficient.



**Figure 10:** V.M. residual stress field at the end of last track of the fifth deposited layer (AlSi10Mg)

Taking into account these preliminaries consideration, we successfully launched a 10x10 thermomechanical configuration. We can now really observe that we have a relative homogenous stress concentration in last fifth layers due to layer remelting. Below this zone, we observe a stress relieving do hight temperatures attempt (see **Figure 11**). This result is very important because that mean that for XR residual stresses measurements, as-built surface analysis (gauge depth of about 30-50µm) will give different results as inside material.

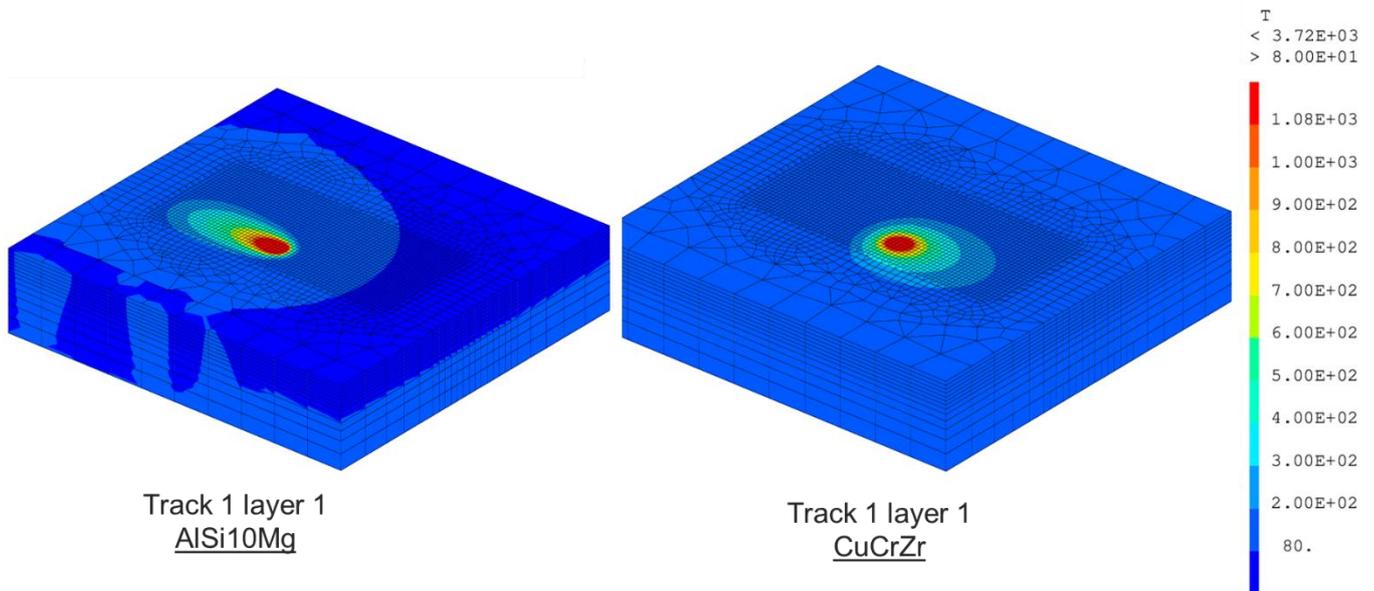


**Figure 11:** V.M. residual stress field at the end of last track for ten deposited layer (AlSi10Mg)

### 2.3. Mesoscopic bimaterial simulation (AlSi10Mg/CuCrZr)

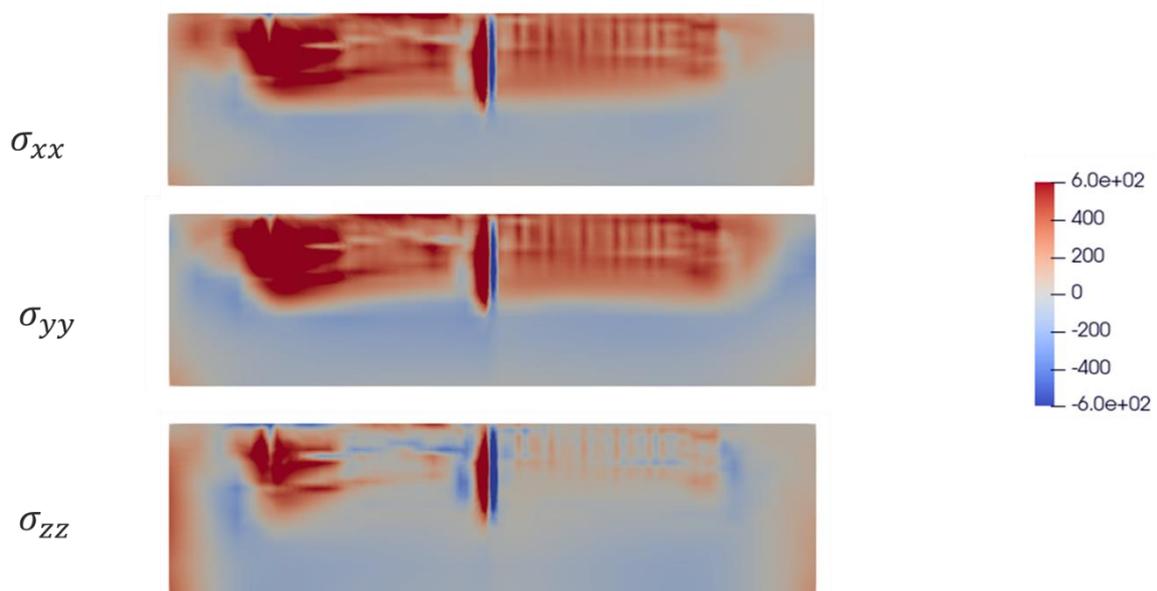
We simulated 5x5 bimaterial thermomechanical simulation for AlSi10Mg/CuCrZr couple. As expected, we obtain a complex residual stresses field with again two distinct zones which are near surface one ( $\approx 5$  layers) and sub-surface one ( $< 5$  layers).

An example of thermal fields are given **Figure 12**. As material properties and lasing parameters are different between two materials, this induce complex thermal history at interface. These results can now be used to complete diffusion simulation at the interface. Near interface, bimaterial configuration induce more remelting as melt pool from one material can penetrate the other. That means that positions of the laser near interface has an important effect on residual stresses, as the order of consolidation between first and second material.



**Figure 12:** temperature field during first line for each material for 5x5 mesoscopic bimaterial simulation

The presence of two materials with different thermal/mechanical properties generate highly complex residual stress field at interface, like we can see



**Figure 13:** stress field along lasing direction for 5x5 mesoscopic bimaterial simulation

### 3. Conclusion

During this first-year project period, we built a complete Finite Element thermomechanical model for mono and bimaterial L-PBF process at micro and meso-scale, including liquid/solid latent heat, powder to bulk evolutions as layer deposition.

Concerning thermal results, this model permit to access complete thermal history, in particular at interface for bimaterial configuration. These informations are usefull for diffusion calculations at interface. 10x10 tracks/layers seems to be sufficient to be representative.

For mechanical stresses generated by the process, we need less coincident tracks to be simulated (around four or five tracks). Computation of five deposited layers are sufficient to characterise near surface residual stresses. If we want to have an idea of inside material residual stresses, at least 10 layers will be needed.

In bimaterial configuration, complex residual stresses are observed near interface. As a result, order of material consolidation as lasing strategy are preponderant.

Thermal non-linearities consume a lot computation times. As thermal solver of our in-house code is not parallelized, computation times are quite long. A first work of next year will be to transfer models inside commercial F.E. software ANSYS©

### 4. Degree of Progress

All main tasks of this T2.3 WP are listed **Table 2**. According to first results presented in this report for this first year, we had a task consisting in building same model inside commercial F.E. ANSYS©.

**Table 2:** Progress table for tasks involved in T2.3 WP.

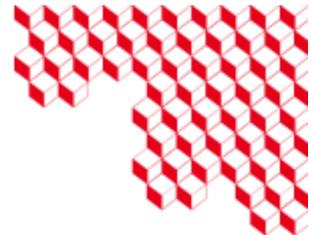
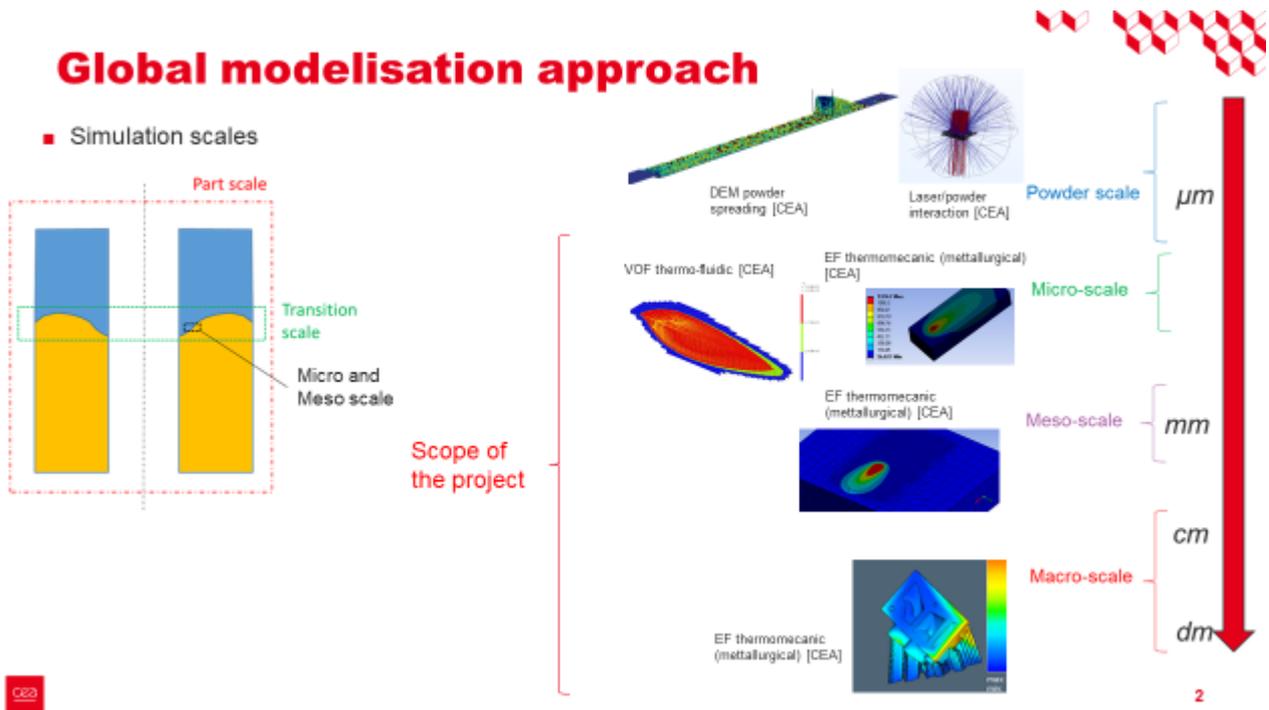
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<b>M12</b>	mechanical model	90%	
<b>M12</b>	monotrack simulation on generic case	100%	done on AlSi10Mg and CuCrZr
<b>M12</b>	multilayer scan pattern on generic case	100%	done on AlSi10Mg
<b>M12</b>	Model building inside ANSYS©	20%	
<b>M24</b>	monotrack line simulation on real case	0%	wait process parameters from ICGV. Need to be done on both materials
<b>M24</b>	bimaterial multilayer scan pattern on real case	0%	wait process parameters from ICGV. Need to be done on both materials
<b>M24</b>	multilayer scan pattern on generic case	100%	done on a simplified case
<b>M24</b>	bimaterial multilayer scan pattern on real case	0%	wait process parameters from ICGV. Need to be done on both materials
<b>M24</b>	inherent strain tensor identification using mesoscopic simulations	0%	
<b>M24</b>	building of macroscopic simulation	0%	
<b>M38</b>	experimental validation on monomaterial process	0%	
<b>M38</b>	experimental validation on bimaterial process	0%	
<b>M38</b>	experimental/simulation comparaisn		samples need to be defined (in progress with WP4)

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Appendix: Model building and first results (global presentation)

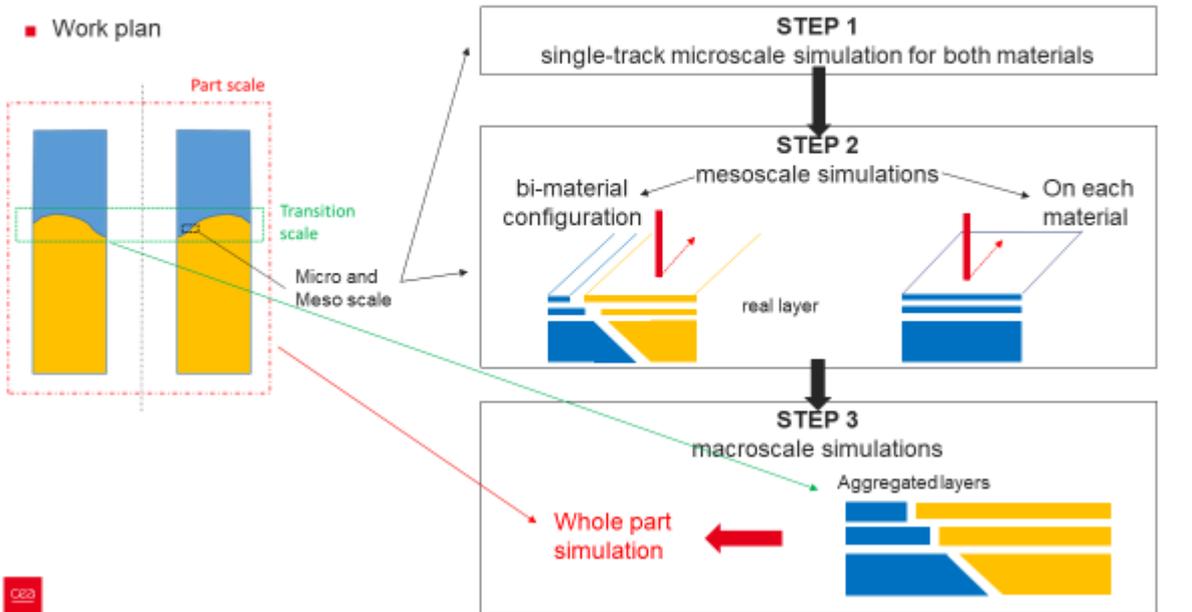


**Micro and Meso thermal model for L-PBF bimaterial configuration**

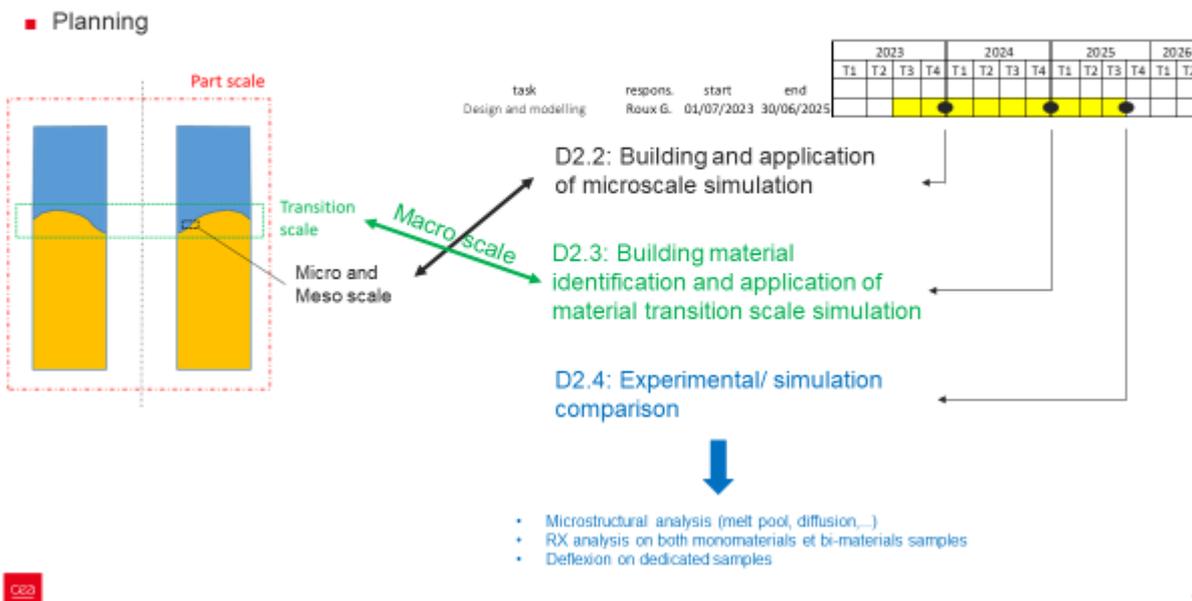
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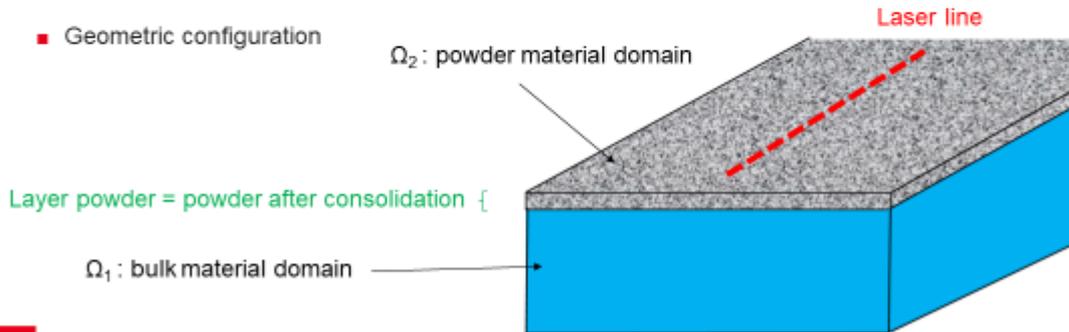
## Models description: Thermal

- Physics

$$\rho C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( k \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( k \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) + Q \quad \text{Heat conduction equation}$$

Q is volumetric heat: volumetric laser source and/or latent heat effects

- Geometric configuration



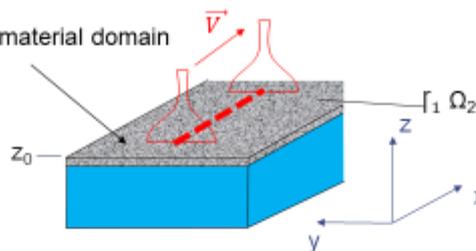
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## Models description: Thermal

- Boudaries conditions

$\Omega_2$ : bulk material domain

- Laser heat source



→ surfacic Gaussian heat source  $Q(x, y) = \frac{2\lambda P_L}{\pi r_L^2} \exp\left(\frac{-2[(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2]}{r_L^2}\right)$  For  $z \in \Gamma_1$

used for our simulations

→ volumic Gaussian heat source with Beer-Lambert absorption law

[Makoana et al., 2018]  $Q(x, y) = \frac{2\lambda P_L \beta}{\pi r_L^2} \exp\left(\frac{-2[(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2]}{r_L^2}\right) \exp(-\beta|z - z_0|)$  For  $z \in \Omega$

$\beta = \frac{1}{L_{ep}}$  as few laser penetration through bulk material

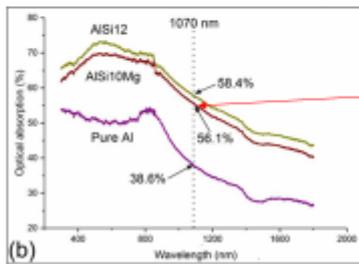
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## Models description: Thermal

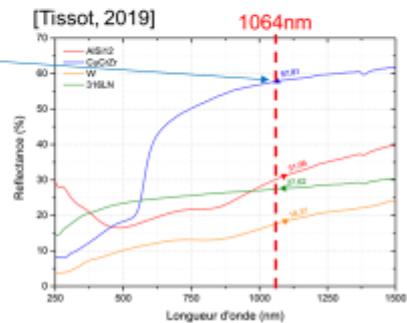
With:

- $x_0, y_0$  Position of laser on the path  $\rightarrow$  lasing strategy and laser velocity  $V_L$
- $z_0$  Upper height of lased layer
- $r_L$  Beam radius (80 $\mu$ m for SLM125HL equipment)
- $S_L$  Penetration parameter
- $\lambda$  Laser power absorptivity



CuCrZr: 0.42

AISI10Mg: 0.56



[Ghasemi et al., 2021]

## Models description: Thermal

- Boudaries conditions

- Upper heat losses

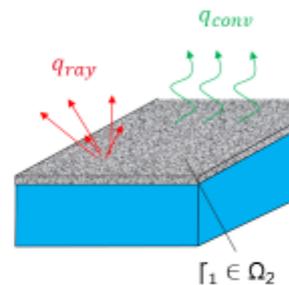
$\rightarrow$  radiation

$$-k\nabla T \cdot \vec{n} = q_{ray}(x, y) = \sigma \xi (T^4 - T_0^4) \quad \text{for } z \in \Gamma_1$$

- $T_0$  Ambient temperature
- $\sigma$  Stephan-Boltzmann constant
- $\xi$  emissivity

$\rightarrow$  forced convection (gas flow inside chamber)

$$-k\nabla T \cdot \vec{n} = q_{conv}(x, y) = h(T - T_0) \quad \Bigg| \quad h \text{ Forced convection coefficient}$$



$\rightarrow$  To limit computation time, combined equivalent convection losses

$$h_{eq} = 24.1E^{-4} \xi (T - 273)^{1.61} \quad \Bigg| \quad \text{with } \xi = 0.9$$

[Goldak et al., 1984]





## Models description: Thermal

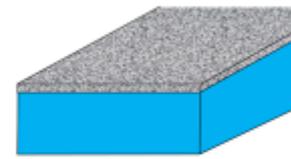
- Boudaries conditions
  - Fixed temperature at bottom of studied part

$$T = T_B \quad \text{for } [z_2]$$

→ bottom temperature depends on process parameters, plate configuration and **wich layer considered**

→ temperature fixed at  $T_B=80^\circ\text{C}$  (first layers)

→ bottom temperature can be simulated using aggregated macroscopic approach



$[z_2 \in \Omega_1]$



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## Models description: Thermal



- Powder zone properties

→ Packed bed powder conductivity can be approximated by:

$$k_p = \frac{\frac{\rho}{\rho_s} k_s}{1 + \Phi \frac{k_s}{k_{gas}}} \quad \left. \vphantom{k_p} \right\} \text{Very low conductivity}$$

$$\Phi = 0.02 E^{(2(0.7 - \rho_b))}$$

[Bugeda et al., 1999]      → To avoid numerical problem, we impose  $k_p = 0.1k_b$

$k_s$	Bulk conductivity
$k_{gas}$	Surrounded gas conductivity
$\frac{\rho}{\rho_s}$	Packed bed relative density

→ As powder zone is considered geometrically as consolidated

$$\left. \vphantom{\rho_p} \right\} \begin{aligned} \rho_p &= \rho_b \\ C_p &= C_b \end{aligned}$$



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## Models description: Thermal

■ Liquid/Solid transformation

→ Phase change is take into account by parameters dependance in temperature (no metallurgical change in our case)

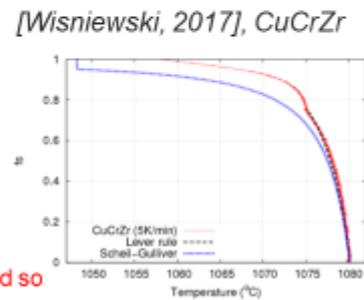
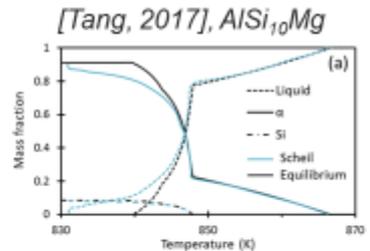
→ conductivity:

$$\begin{cases} k_L = k_S & \text{for } T < T_m \\ k_L = 2.5k_S & T > T_m \end{cases} \quad [Ren et al., 2019]$$

→ heat capacity:

$$\begin{cases} C_L = C_S & \text{for } T < T_m - 0.5\Delta T_m \text{ or } T > T_m + 0.5\Delta T_m \\ C_L = C_S + \frac{L}{\Delta T_m} & \text{for } T_m - 0.5\Delta T_m < T < T_m + 0.5\Delta T_m \end{cases} \quad [Promopattum et al., 2017]$$

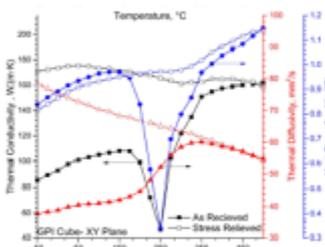
→ Bad.....too much step size dependant. I programed phase change and so heat generation with phase change within convergence iterations



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## Materials thermal properties

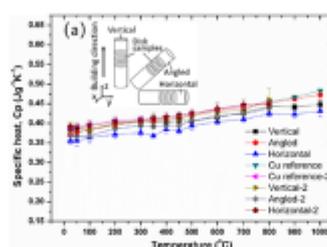
[Stefan et al., 2016] SLMed AlSi10Mg0.6



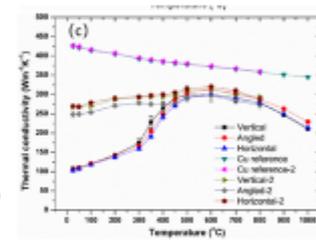
Precipitation zone

→ As built properties are considered  
→ precipitation won't occurs on top layers, so evolutions in this zone are excluded

[Zeng et al., 2021] SLMed CuCrZr



First thermal cycle  
second thermal cycle



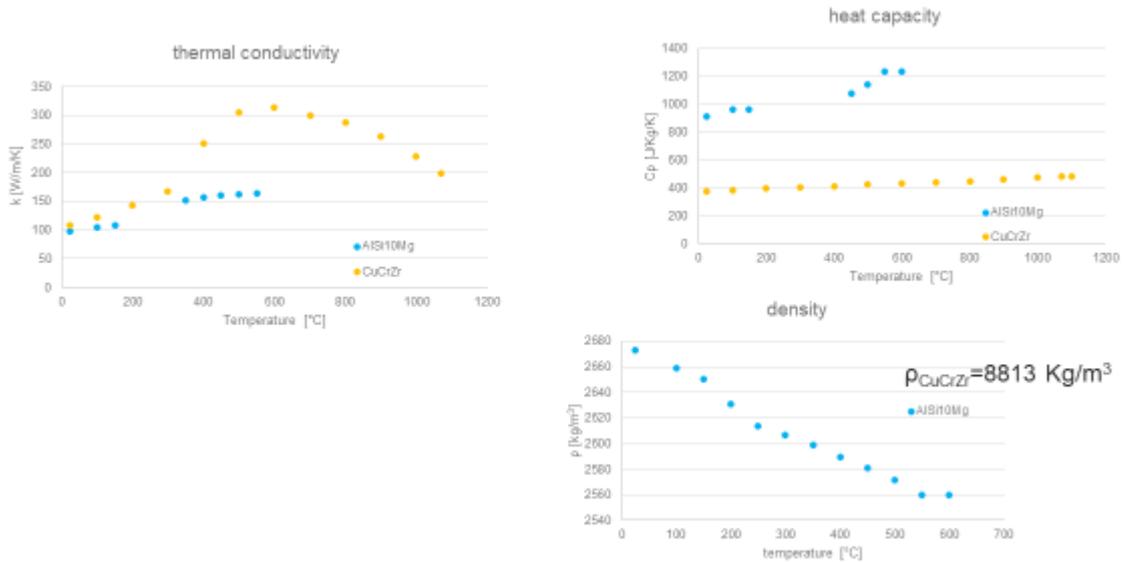
Precipitation zone

→ First cycle properties are considered (as built state)

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## Materials thermal properties



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## Models description: Mechanical

■ Physics

$$\nabla \cdot \{\sigma\} + \rho \vec{b} \quad \text{Quasi-static stress equilibrium}$$

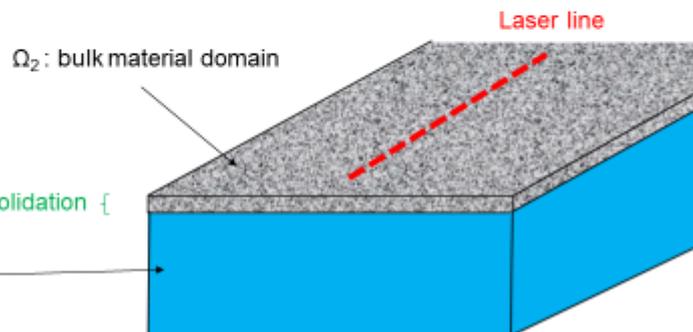
$\{\sigma\}$  stress tensor

$\vec{b}$  Internal body force per unit volume

■ Geometric configuration

Layer powder = powder after consolidation {

$\Omega_1$ : bulk material domain



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## Models description: Mechanical

■ Material behavior

For bulk material domain  $\Omega_1$ :  $\{\sigma\} = [C]\{\varepsilon^e\}$

$[C]$	6x6 elasticity matrix
$\{\varepsilon^e\}$	elastic strain tensor

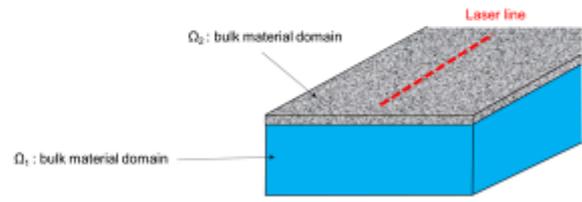
We suppose isotropic mechanical behavior:  $\{\sigma\} = \frac{E}{1+\nu} \left( \{\varepsilon^e\} + \frac{\nu}{1-2\nu} Tr\{\varepsilon^e\} [I] \right)$

$E$	Young modulus
$\nu$	Poisson ratio

Strain partition is defined by:  $\{\varepsilon^t\} = \{\varepsilon^e\} + \{\varepsilon^p\} + \{\varepsilon^{th}\}$

$\{\varepsilon^t\}$	total strain tensor
$\{\varepsilon^p\}$	plastic strain tensor
$\{\varepsilon^{th}\}$	dilatation strain tensor

$\{\varepsilon^{th}\} = \alpha [T - T_{ref}] [I]$	$\alpha$	Poisson coefficient
	$T_{ref}$	reference temperature for $\{\varepsilon^{th}\} = \{0\}$



## Models description: Mechanical

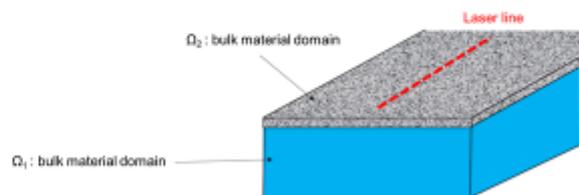
We suppose isotropic purely  $J_2$  plasticity:  $f(\{\sigma\}) = \sqrt{\frac{\{S\}:\{S\}}{2}} - \sigma_y$

$\{S\} = \{\sigma\} - \frac{1}{3} Tr\{\sigma\}$	
$\sigma_y$	Yield stress

For powder material domain  $\Omega_2$ :  $\{\sigma\} = [C][\{\varepsilon^t\} - \{\varepsilon^{th}\}]$  Purely elastic material

Same as bulk material

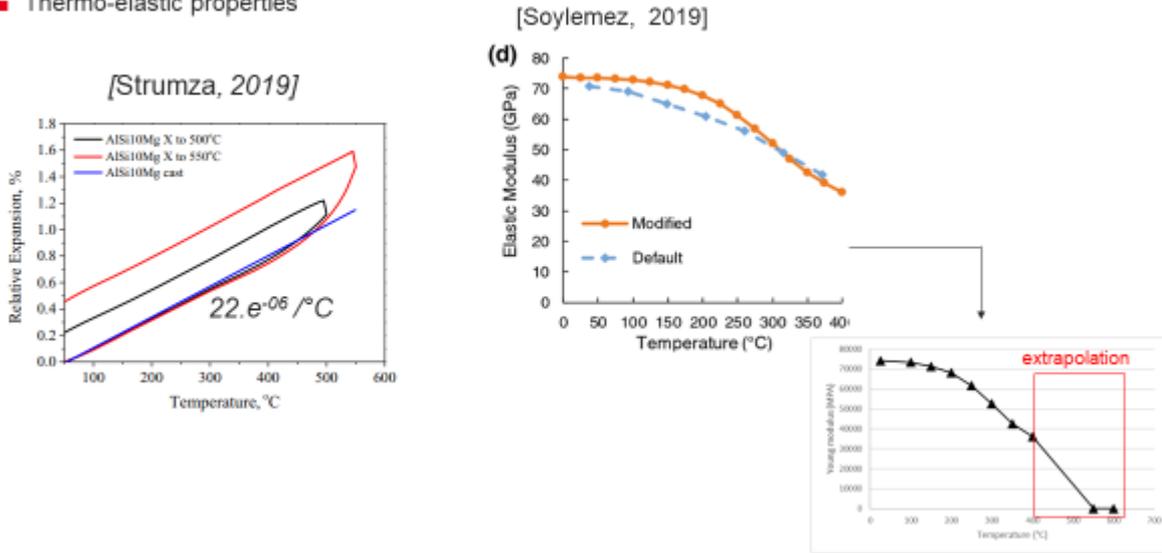
Powder has no rigidity  $\rightarrow E_{powder} = E_{bulk} \cdot 10^{-7}$





## Mechanical properties of AISI10Mg

### Thermo-elastic properties

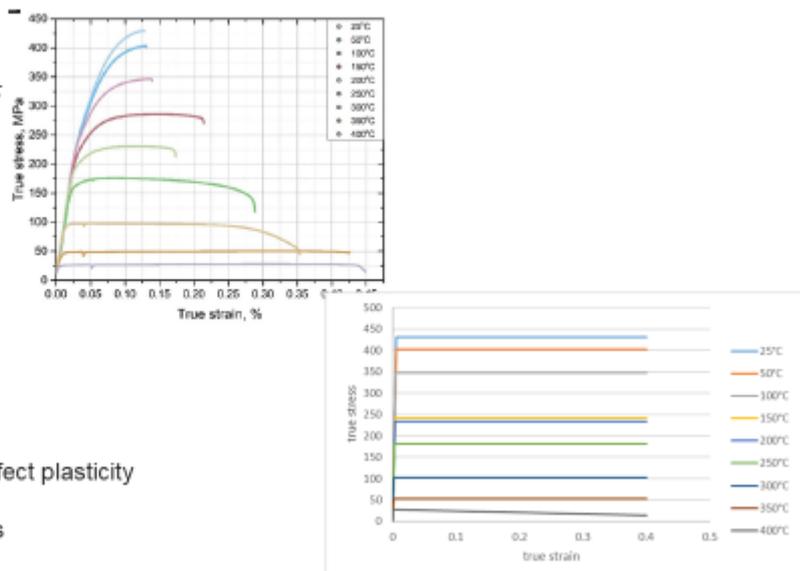
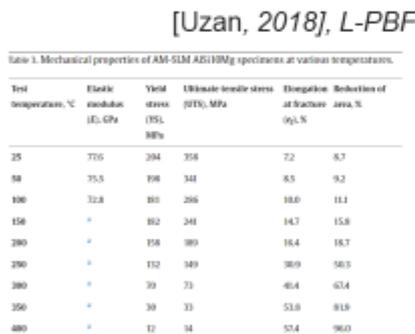


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## Mechanical properties of AISI10Mg

### Plasticity



→ In a first step, we choose a perfect plasticity with ultimate true stress limit =maximisation of residual stresses



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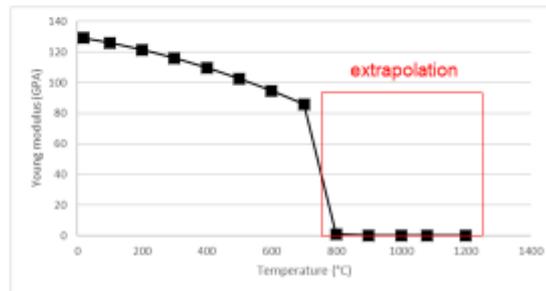
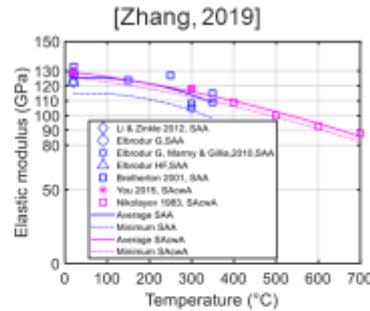
## Mechanical properties of CuCrZr



- Thermo-elastic properties

[Ferraiuolo, 2023]

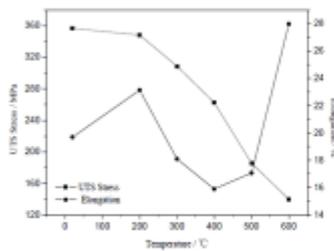
Temperature [K]	Mass Density [kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Thermal Conductivity [W/mK]	Specific Heat [J/kgK]	Thermal Expansion Coefficient [1/K]
300	8933	320	390	$15.7 \times 10^{-6}$
600	8933	290	390	$17.9 \times 10^{-6}$
900	8933	255	400	$18.7 \times 10^{-6}$



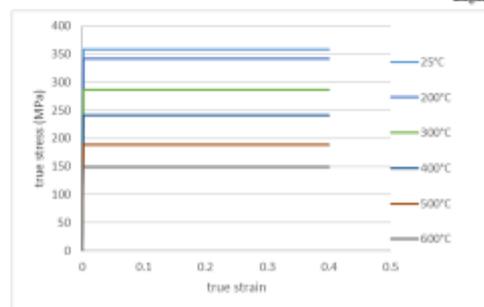
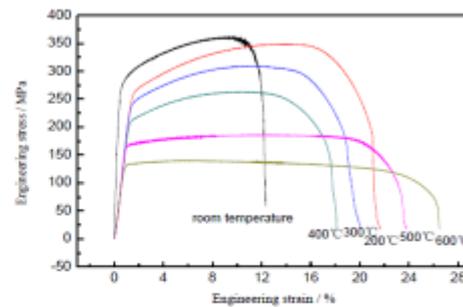
## Mechanical properties of CuCrZr



- Plasticity



[Zhang et al., 2015]





## Process parameters

	AlSi <sub>10</sub> Mg [Rausch et al., 2017]	CuCrZr [Buchmayr et al., 2017]
Power [W]	350	370
speed [mm/s]	1650	300
hatch distance [mm]	0.13	0.11
layer thickness [µm]	30	20

For both materials we will consider:

- 30µm layer thickness
- 80µm laser diameter



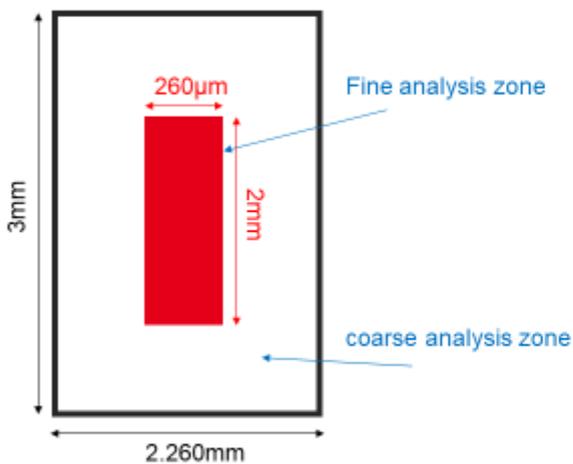
All these parameters will be updated after material process consolidation



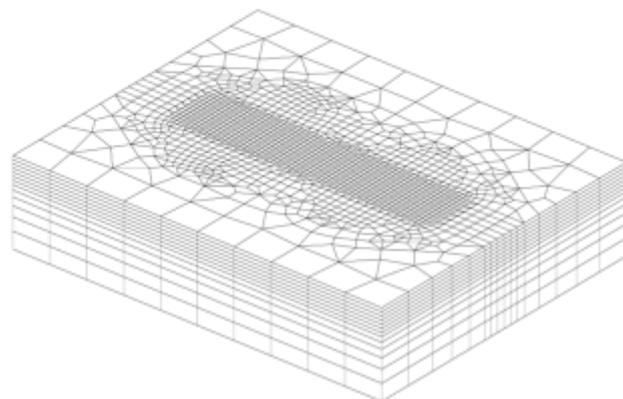
SLM 125HL



## Geometric configuration for monotrack



View of the mesh



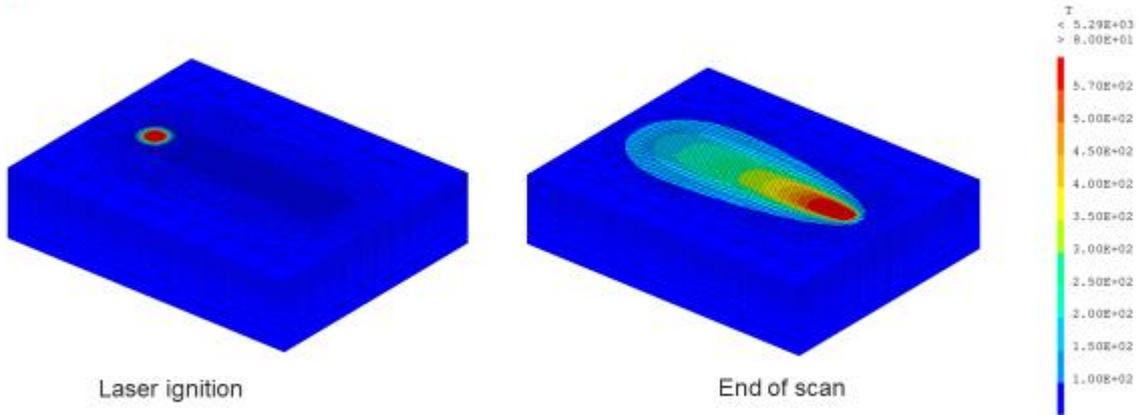
Solver configuration: no latent heat effect





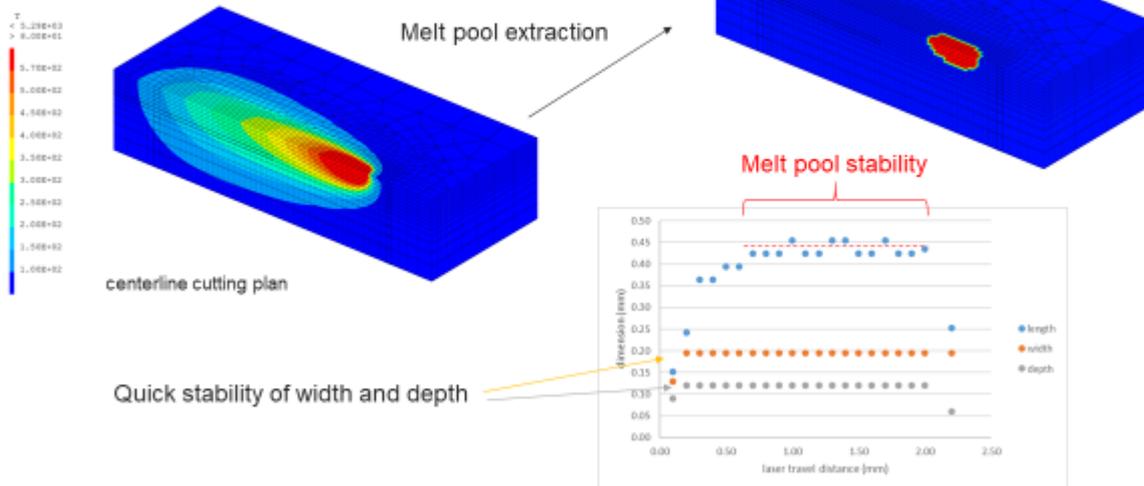
## Results for monotrack simulation

■ Temperatures



## Results for monotrack simulation

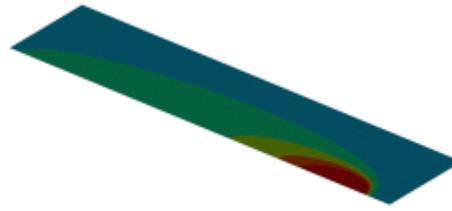
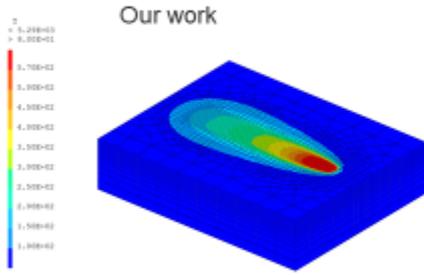
■ Melt pool dimension





## Results for monotrack simulation

- Comparison with analytic model



Rosenthal solution [Rosenthal, 1941]:

$$T = T_0 + \frac{\lambda P}{2\pi k r} e^{-\frac{V(r+\xi)}{2\alpha}}$$

$x, y, z$  distance from source

- $k$  thermal conductivity
- $\alpha$  thermal diffusivity
- $k$  radial distance from source
- $\xi = x - V \cdot t$



## Results for monotrack simulation

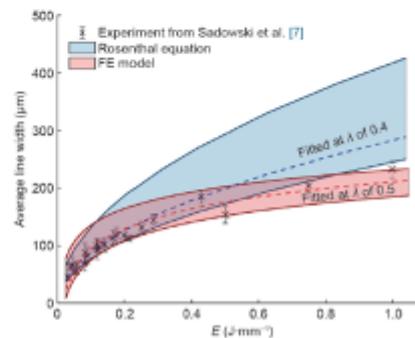


- Comparison with analytic model

	Rosenthal solution	our work
length [µm]	537	438.5
width [µm]	272	195
depth [µm]	136	120

→ Rosenthal solution overestimate melt pool dimensions  
 ↓ Known from literature

[Promopatum, 2017], IN718



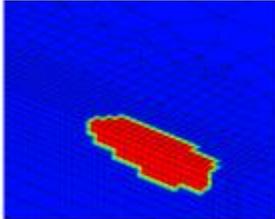


## Results for monotrack simulation

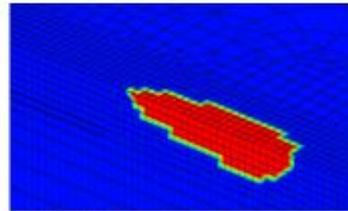
- Influence on model complexity on melt pool dimension and computation time

simul	NL thermal properties	liquid conductivity	powder/bulk phase change	latent heat	time [ms]	time [min]	factor	melt pool dimension		
								length [µm]	width [µm]	depth [µm]
1					605171	10	1.00	530	195	120
2	x				1780503	30	2.94	485	195	120
3	x	x			5317359	89	8.79	394	260	120
4	x	x	x		5561562	93	9.19	432	195	120
5	x		x		2362374	39.3729	3.90	545	195	120
6				x	2453494	41	4.05	909	195	90
7	x	x		x	16134422	269	26.66	667	195	90

Sim 5



Sim 7

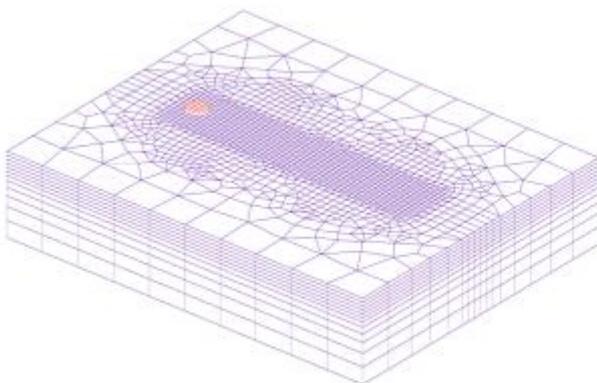


Transverse section of the melt pool is the most important for residual stresses generation → latent heat play a major role in transverse melt pool dimension

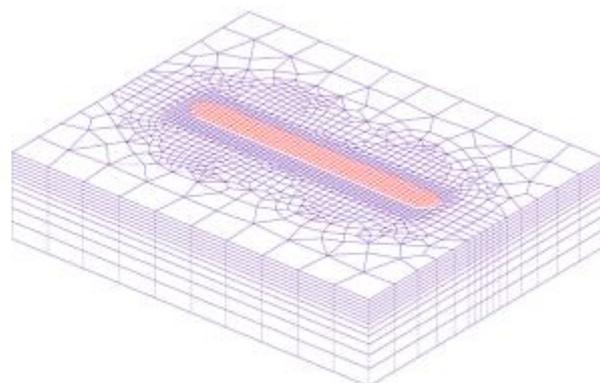


## Results for monotrack simulation

- Melted powder



Laser ignition



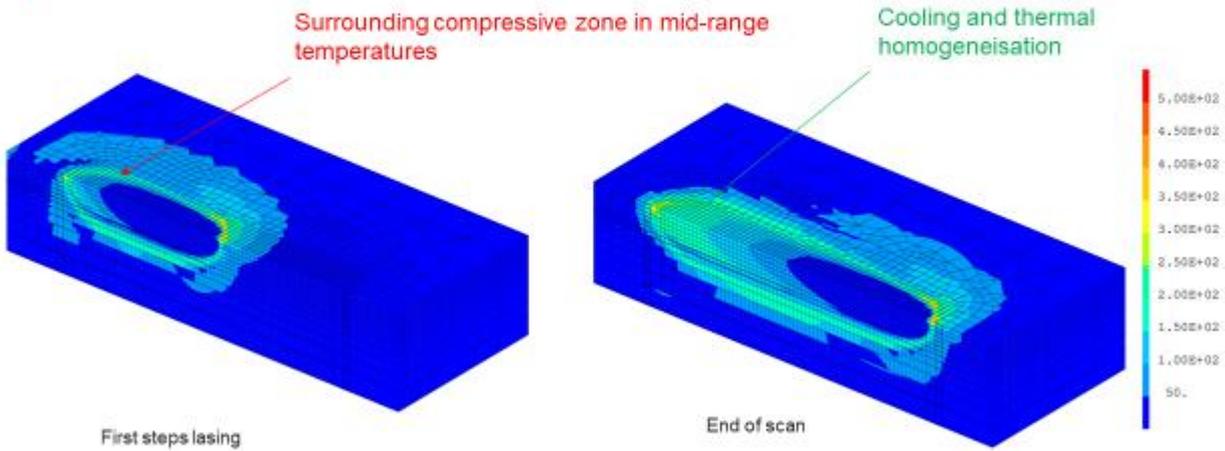
End of scan





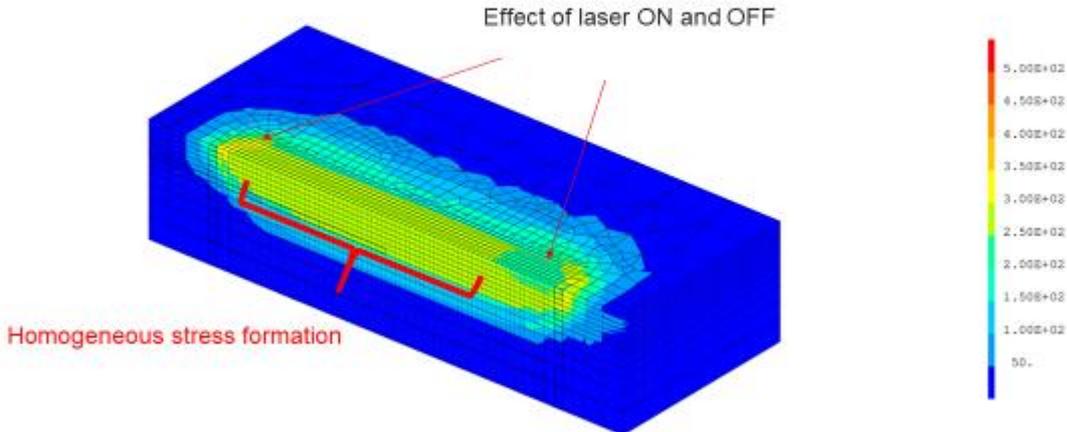
## Results for monotrack simulation

- Stress field during lasing



## Results for monotrack simulation

- Residual stresses

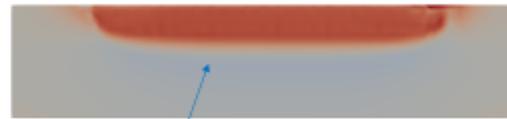
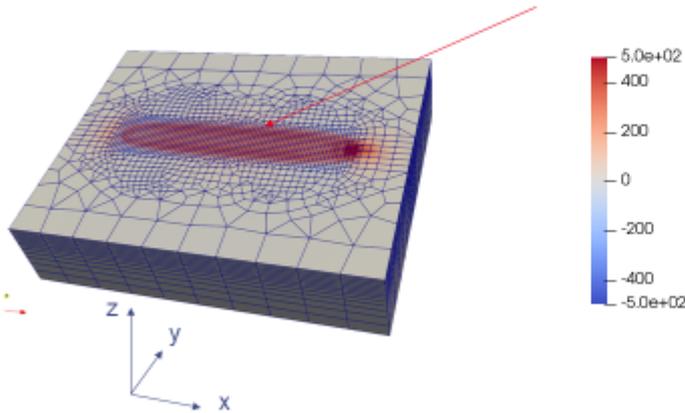




## Results for monotrack simulation

Residual stresses  $\sigma_{xx}$

Higher stresses at interface boundary



Ligth compressive zone at bottom

➔ Traction stresses in lasing direction, mainly localized in melt pool and near melt pool zones

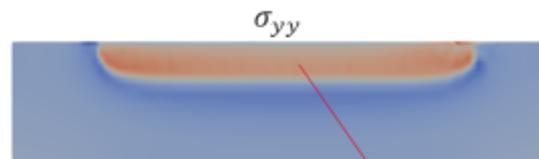
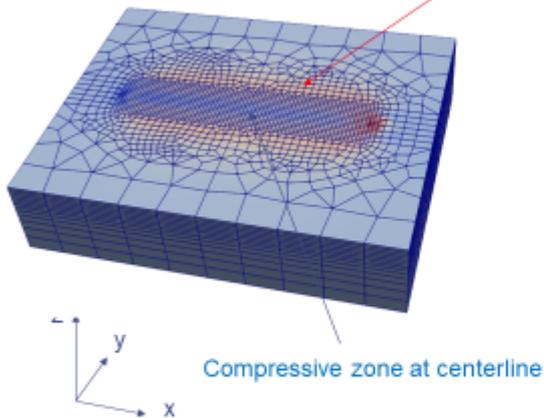


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## Results for monotrack simulation

Residual stresses  $\sigma_{yy}$

Large traction zone



Lower amplitude as  $\sigma_{xx}$

➔ Large tensile stress region in transverse direction, with less amplitude than in lasing direction

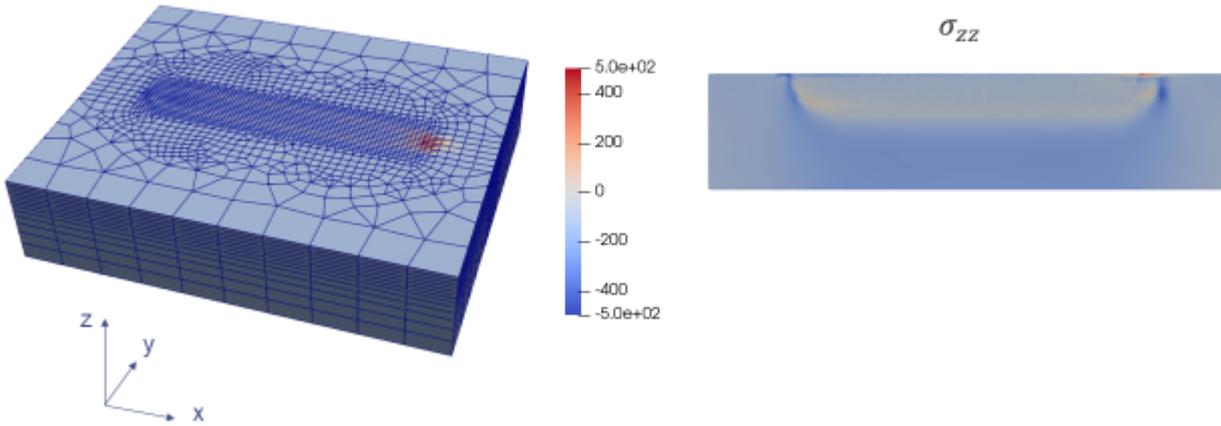


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## Results for monotrack simulation

- Residual stresses  $\sigma_{zz}$

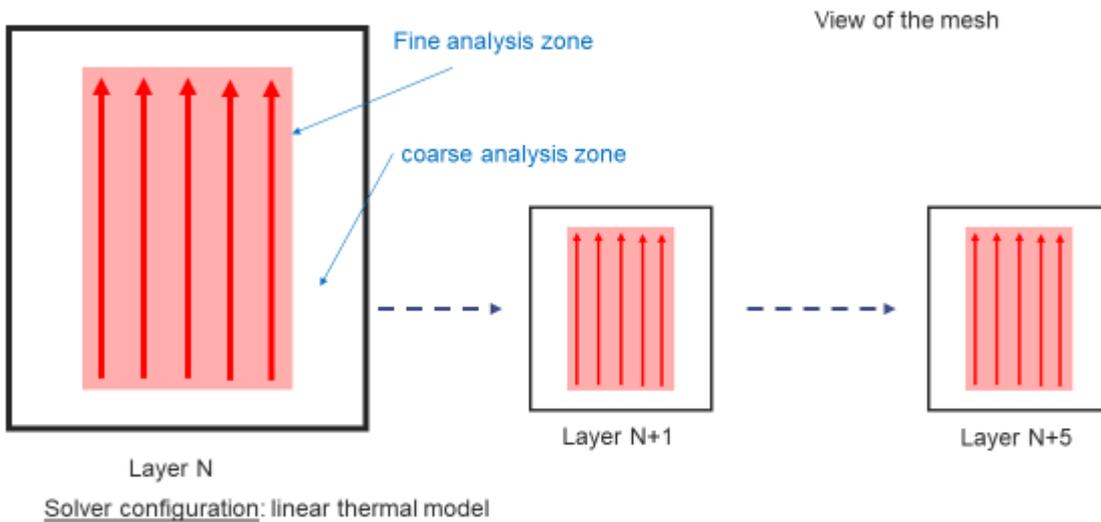


➔ Low stresses in vertical direction, mainly compressive ones



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## Geometric configuration for mesoscopic simulation



➔ Lasing strategy can be changed

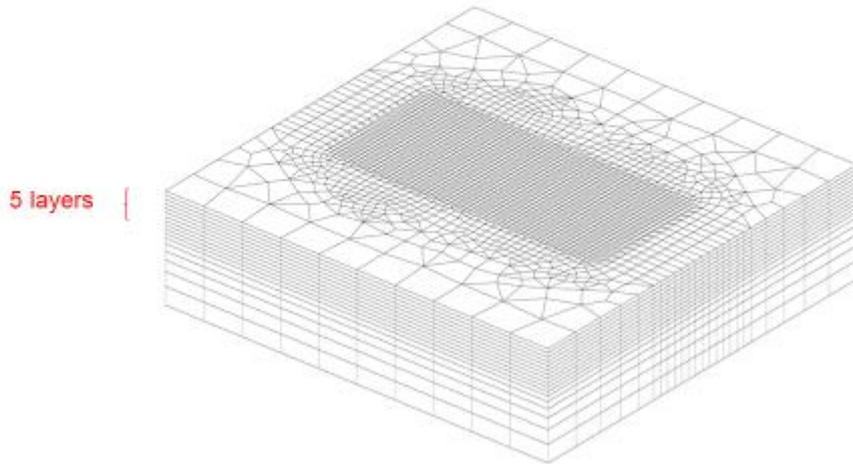


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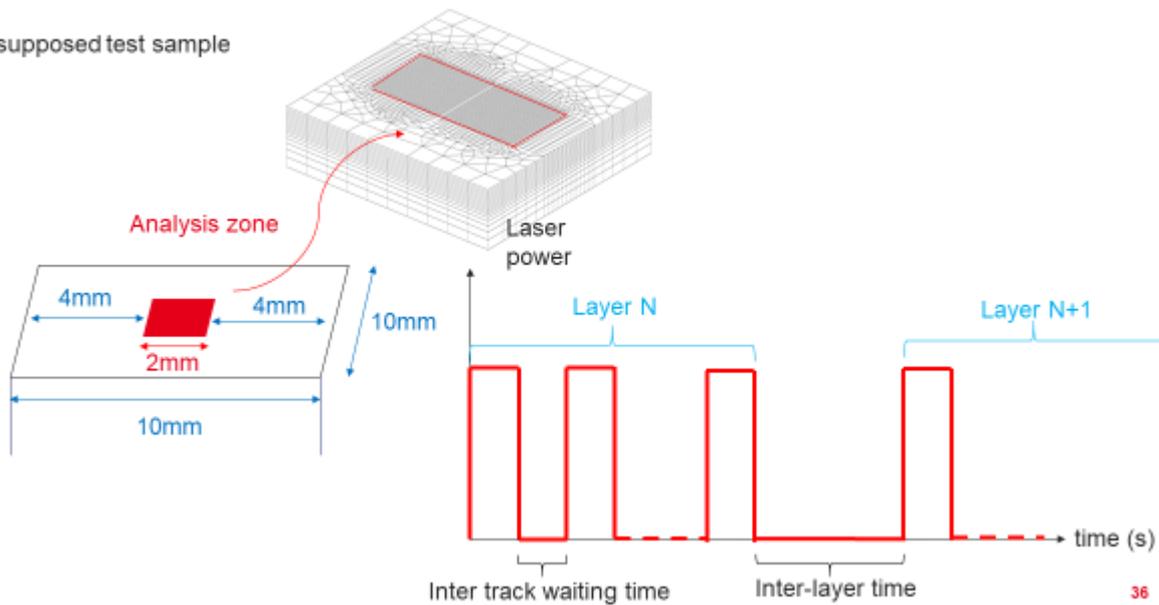
# Geometric configuration for mesoscopic simulation

View of the mesh:



# Geometric configuration for mesoscopic simulation

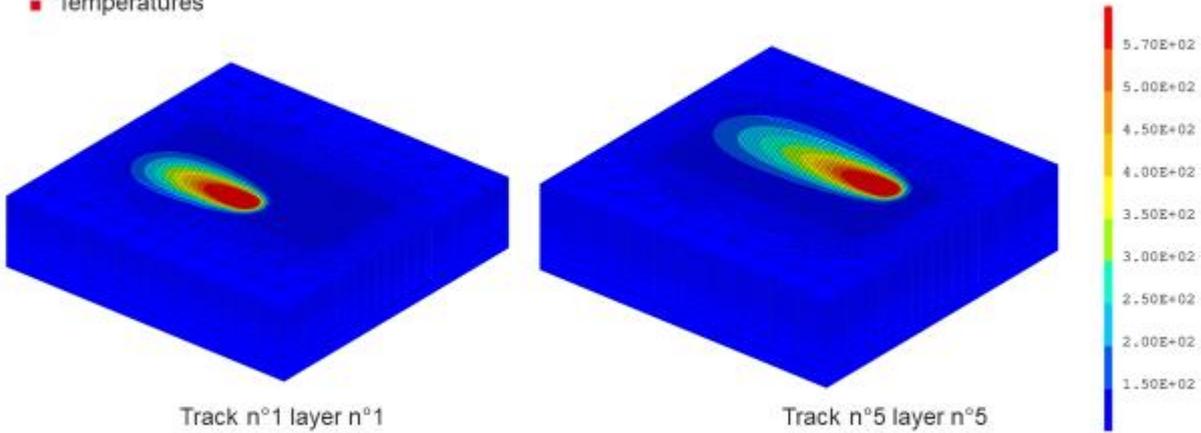
→ supposed test sample





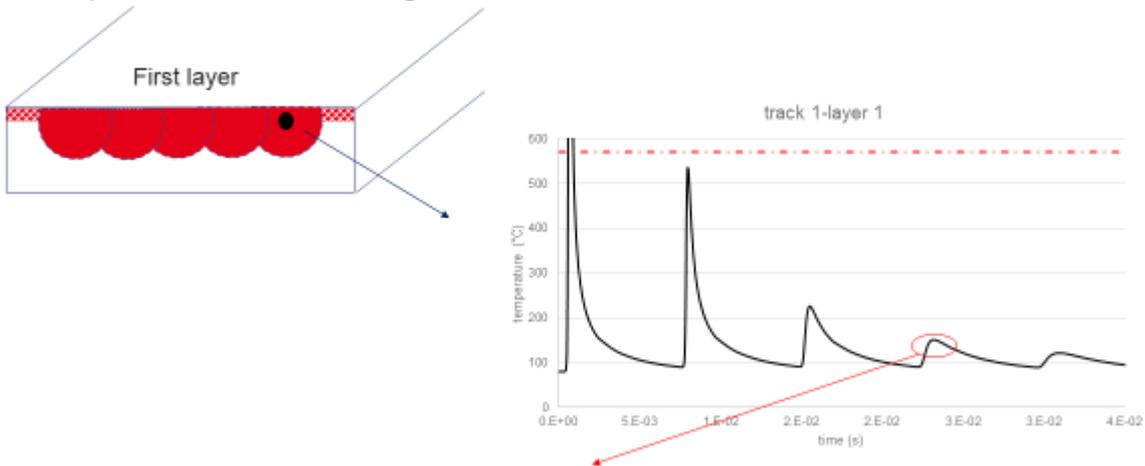
## Results for mesoscopic simulation

- Temperatures



## Results for mesoscopic simulation

- Temperatures evolution with contiguous tracks



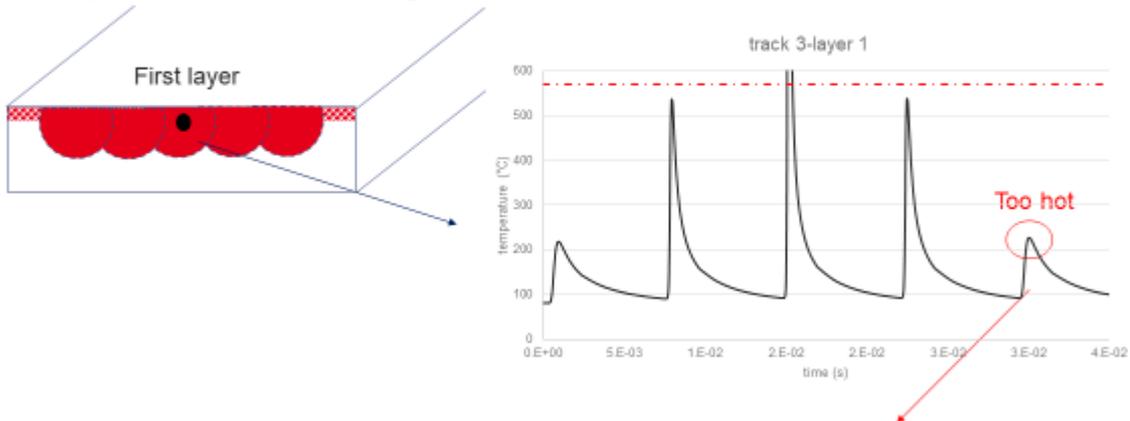
➔ One track is no more thermally (and mechanically ?) affected (+100°C) after 3 contiguous tracks





## Results for mesoscopic simulation

### ■ Temperatures evolution with contiguous tracks



- If we want to reach representative thermal evolution, we need to have at least 2 more tracks → 5+2=7 tracks



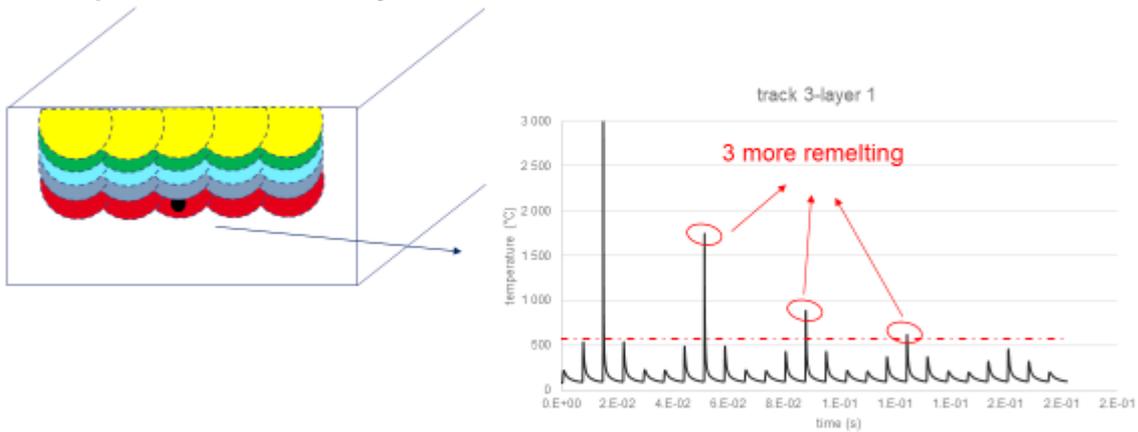
- If we want at least 3 representative tracks → 7+2=9 tracks

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## Results for mesoscopic simulation

### ■ Temperatures evolution with layers



➔ A least 10 layers are necessary to acheive representative thermal evolution

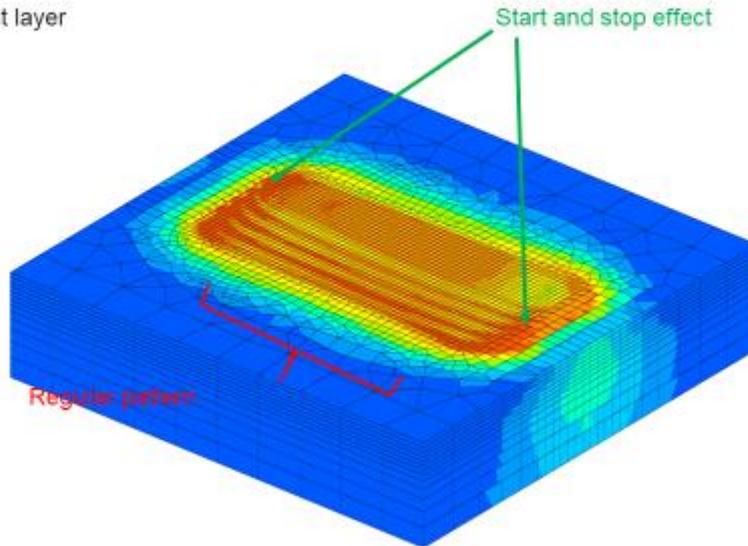
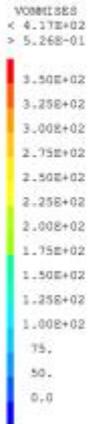


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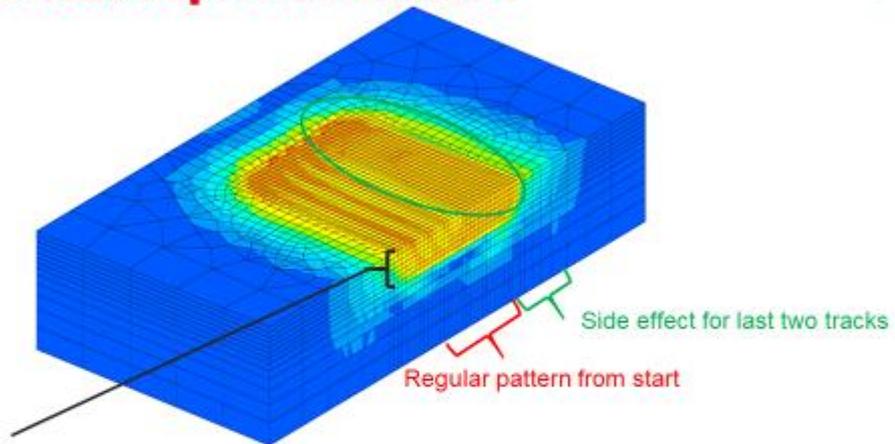
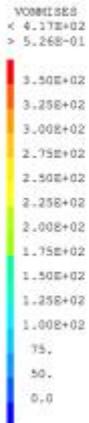


# Results for mesoscopic simulation

■ V.M. Stress field after first layer



# Results for mesoscopic simulation



Approx. 6 previous layers are strongly mechanically affected

➔ It is not necessary to have a lot of tracks per layer

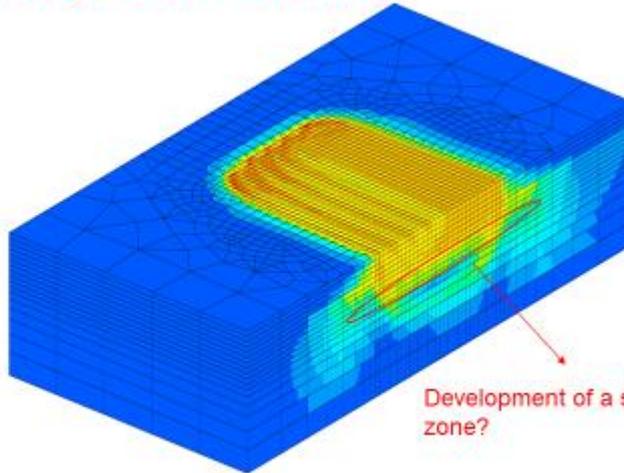
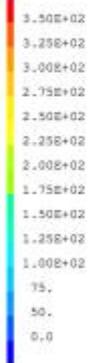




### Results for mesoscopic simulation

- V.M. Stress field after fifth layer

VOLUME  
< 4.17E+02  
> 5.26E-01



Development of a stress relieve zone?

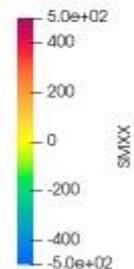
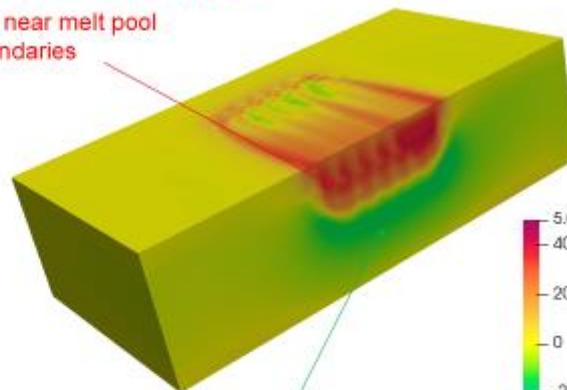
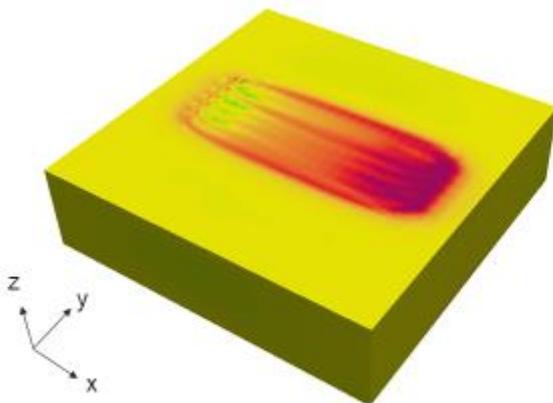
→ 5 layers are clearly not sufficient



### Results for mesoscopic simulation

- SXX Stress field after last layer

Max values near melt pool boundaries



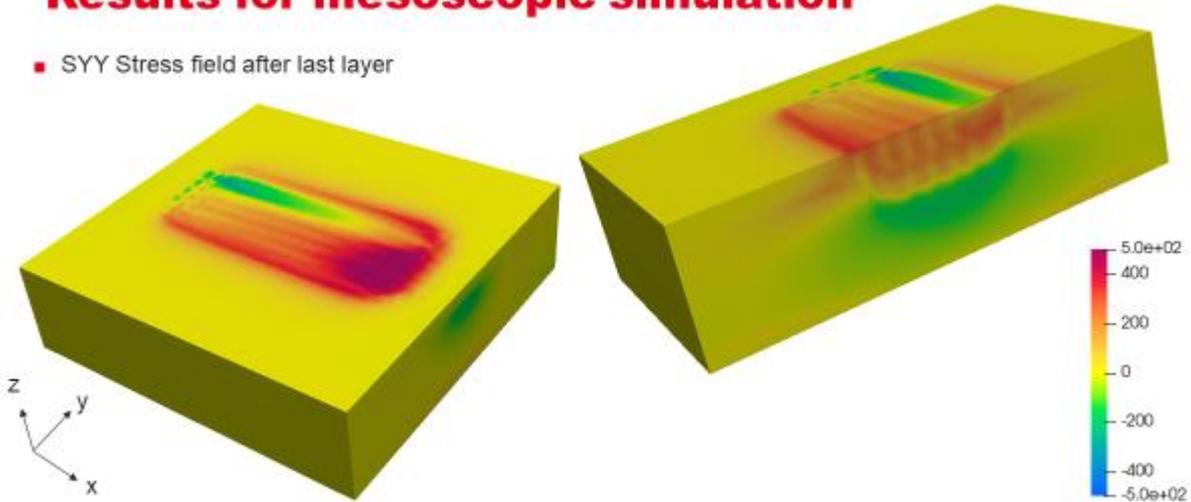
Flexural effect during cooling (depending on bottom height of the geometry ?)





## Results for mesoscopic simulation

- SYY Stress field after last layer



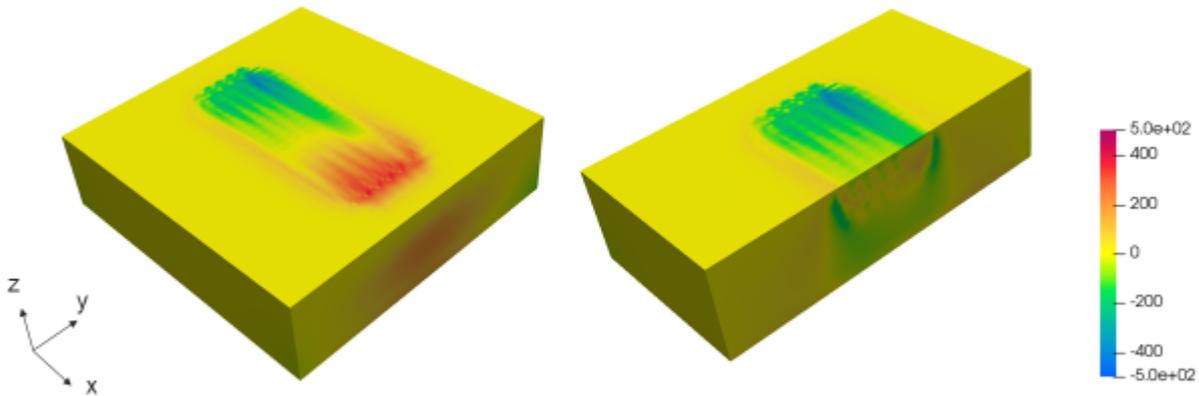
➡ Same stress Development as Sxx

➡ Less residual stresses than Sxx



## Results for mesoscopic simulation

- SZZ Stress field after last layer



➡ Start and stop effect ? Geometry length not sufficient ?

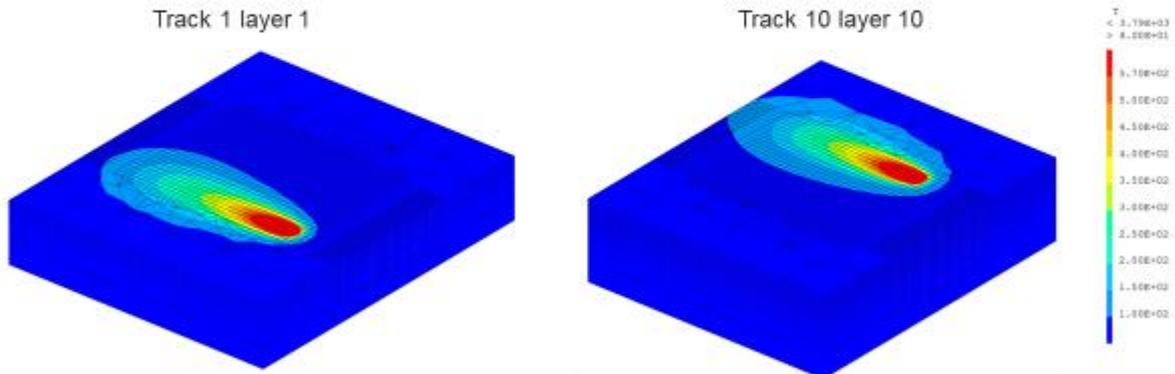
➡ Szz is not so much important





## Results for mesoscopic simulation

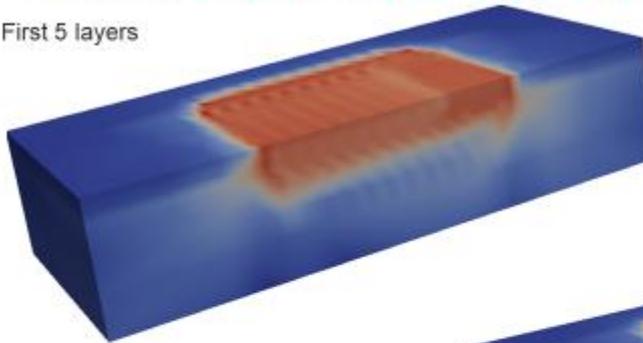
➔ Simulation with 10x10 configuration and larger side part



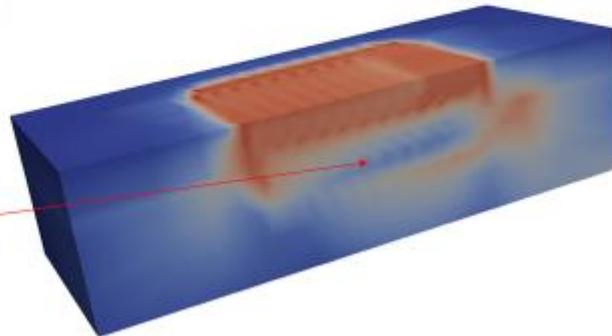
## Results for mesoscopic simulation



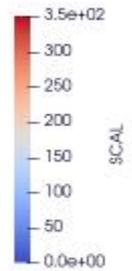
First 5 layers



Ten layers

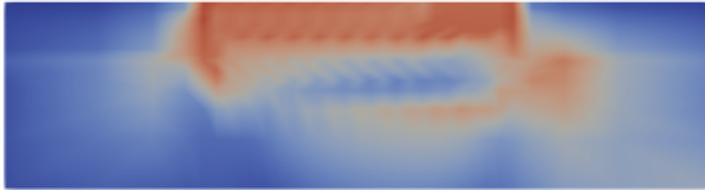


Evidence of stress relieve effect

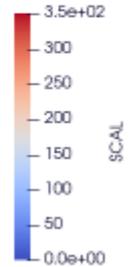




## Results for mesoscopic simulation



300µm

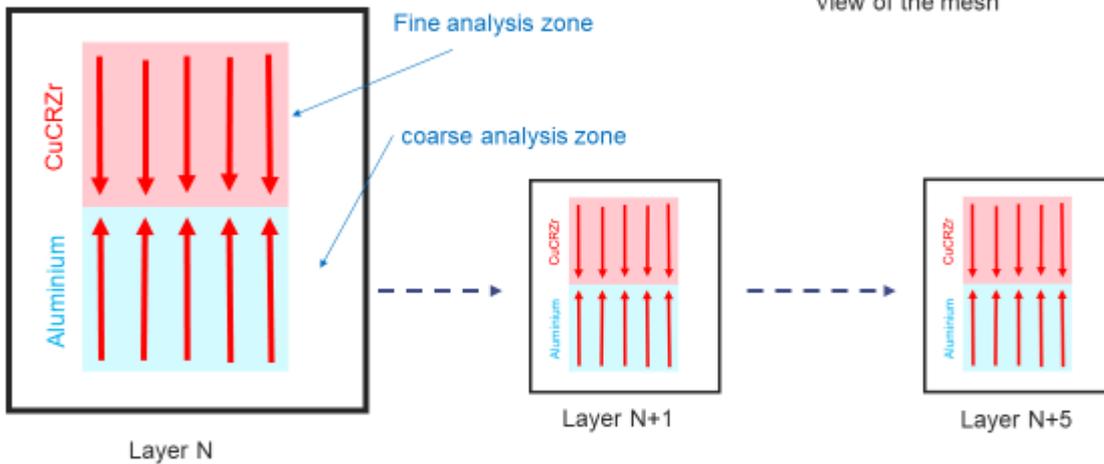


- ➔ Residual stresses measurement will be clearly different between final surface and inside measurements (after rod cutting)
- ➔ Last surface measurement will give us more informations (and also will need less computed layers)

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## Geometric configuration for mesoscopic bi-material simulation



Solver configuration: only linear thermal model

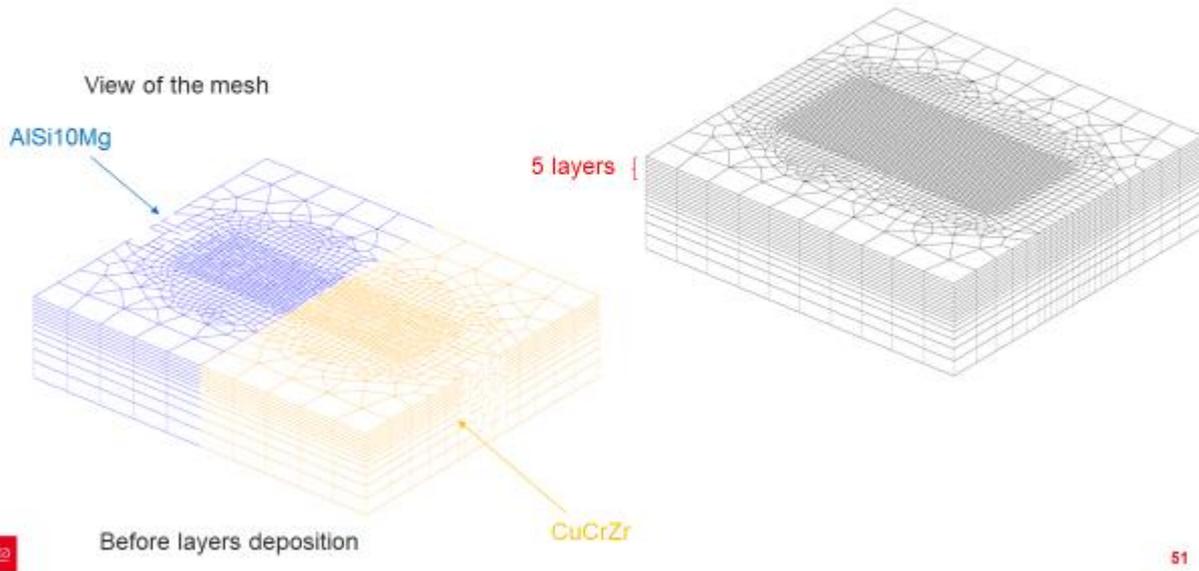
➔ Lasing strategy can be changed

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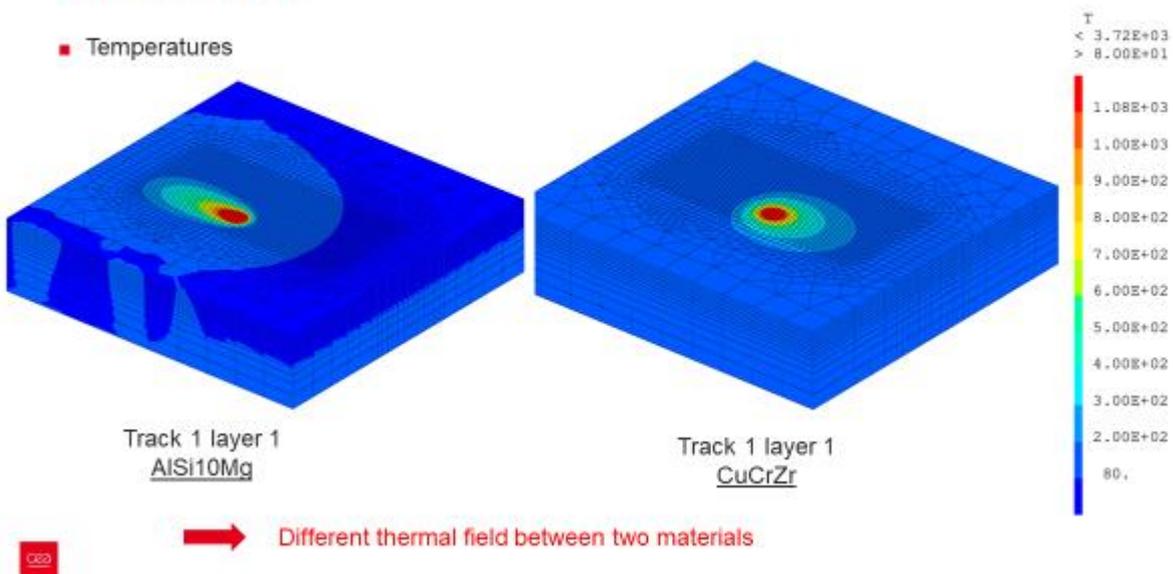




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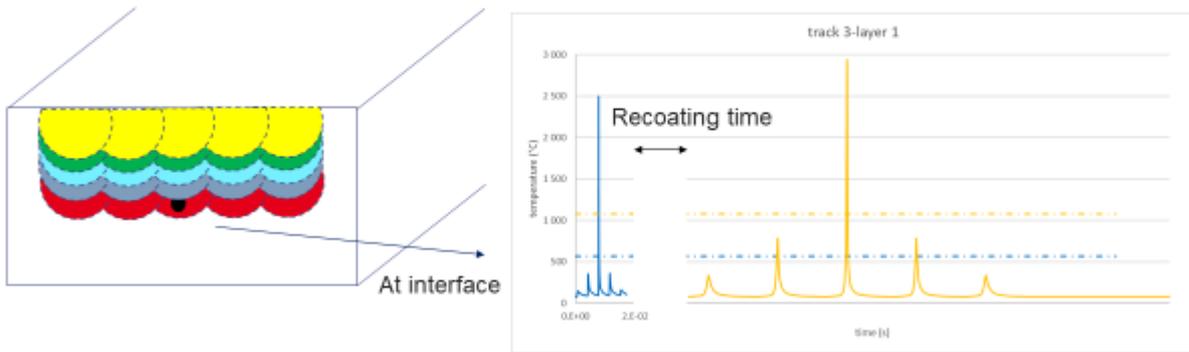
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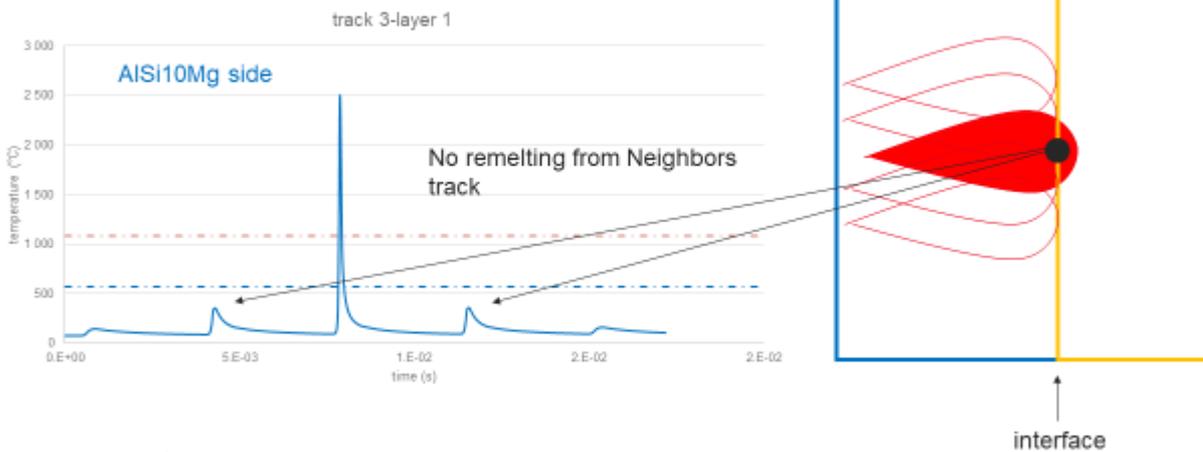
- Temperature evolution at interface with layers



➔ Added remelting induced by other side material lasing



## Geometric configuration for mesoscopic bi-material simulation



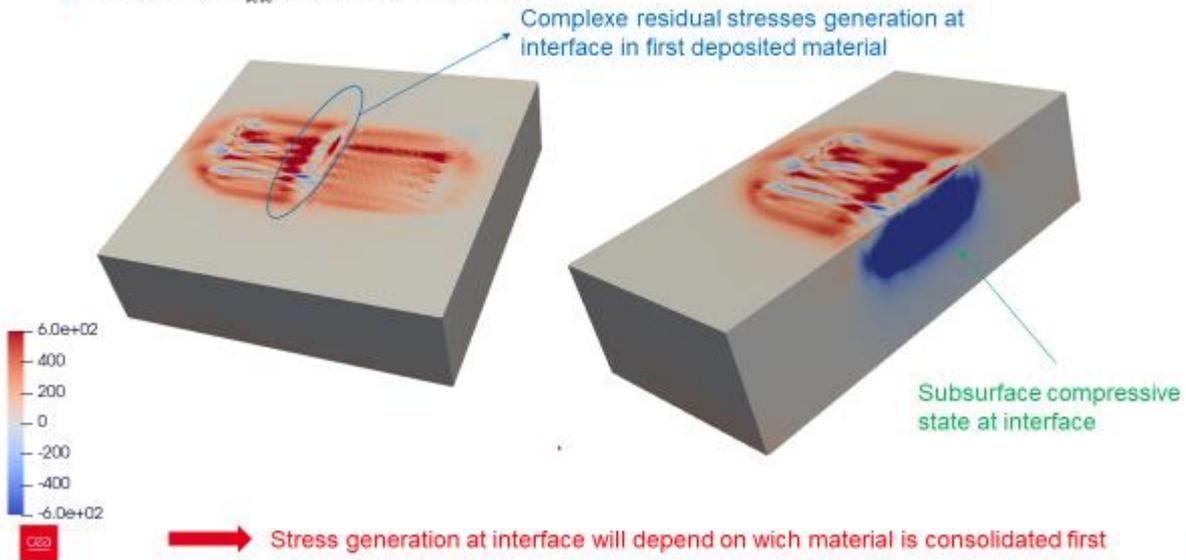
➔ Basic perpendicular lasing strategy is not a good idea ☹️





## Results for mesoscopic simulation

- Directionnel  $\sigma_{xx}$  stresses after last layer



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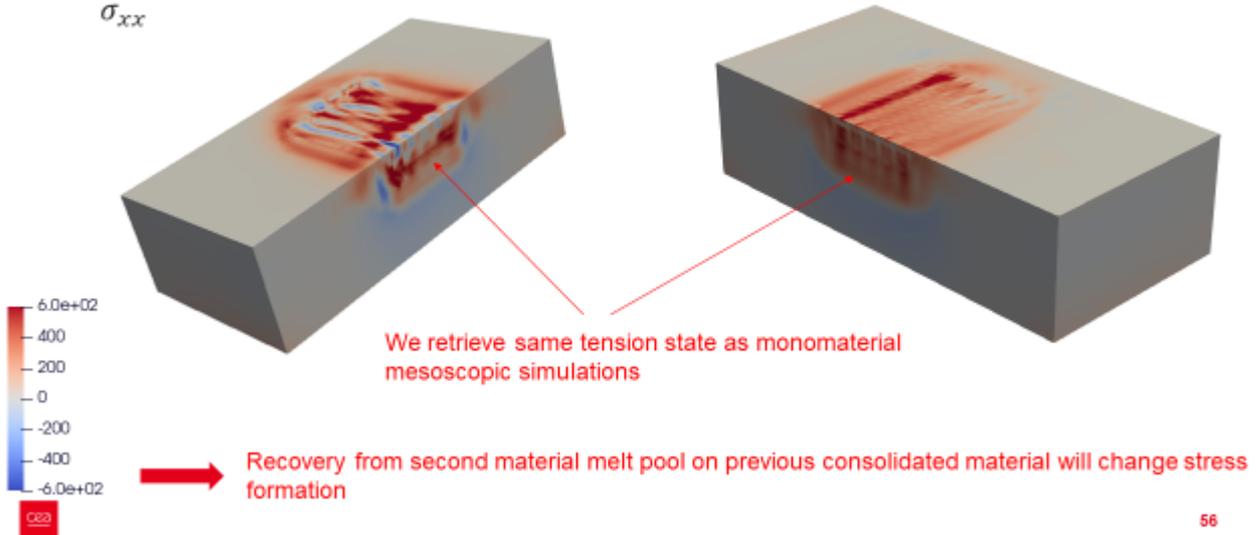


## Results for mesoscopic simulation

From 100ym of interface inside AISi10Mg

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$\sigma_{xx}$

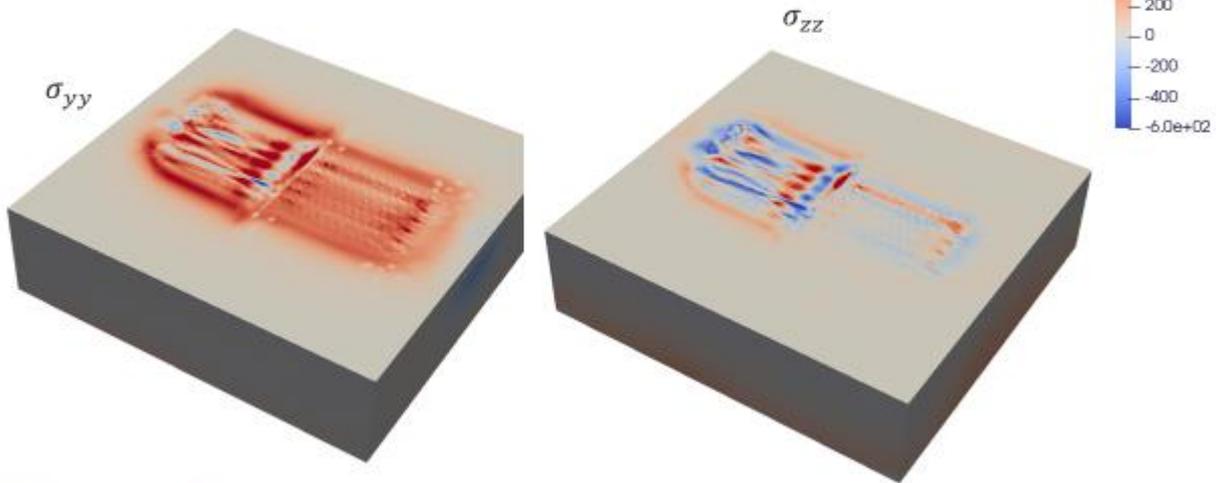


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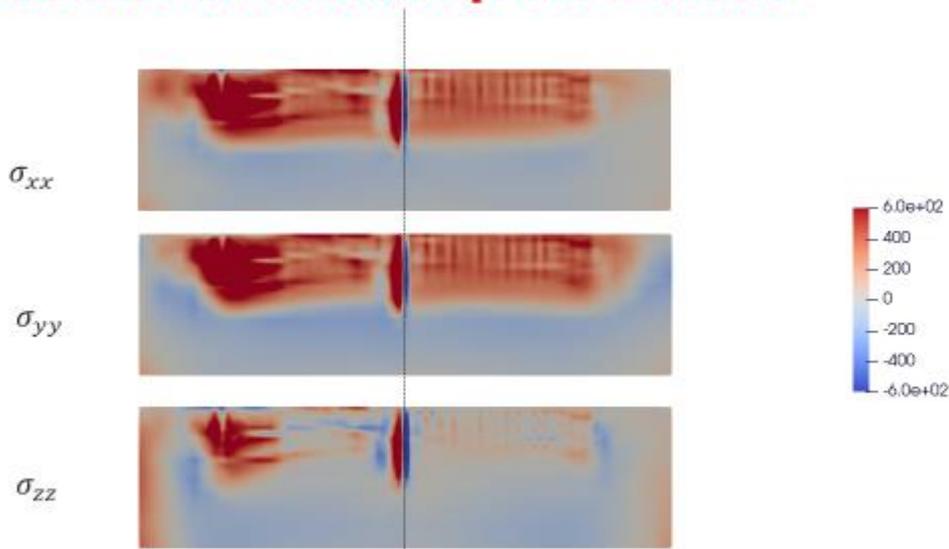
### Results for mesoscopic simulation

- Directionnel  $\sigma_{yy}$  and  $\sigma_{zz}$  stresses after last layer



➔ Less residual stresses inside bulk CuCrZr (Copper has higher ductility)

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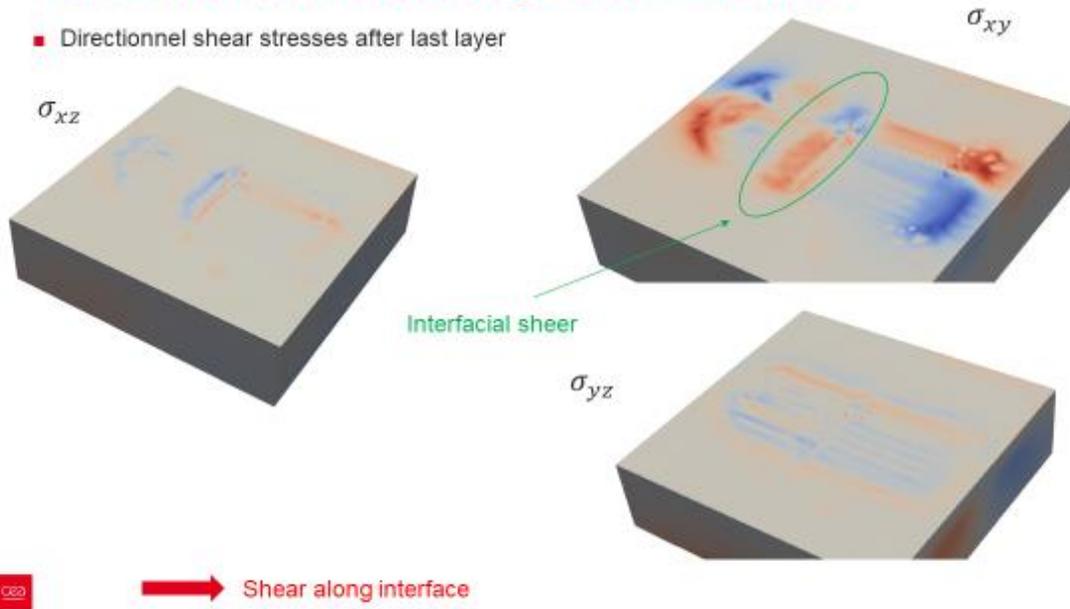


➔ Dual compressive/tensile stresses at interface



## Results for mesoscopic simulation

- Directionnel shear stresses after last layer



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## conclusions

- We built a complete Finite Element thermomechanical model for mono/bimaterial L-PBF process at micro and meso-scale
- This model permit to access complete thermal history, in particular at interface for bimaterial configuration → input for diffusion calculations
- Computation of five deposited layers are sufficient to characterise near surface residual stresses
- A least 10 layers are necessary to characterise final residual stresses inside material
- In bimaterial configuration, complex residual stresses are observed near interface
- A better thermal solver is necessary for that kind of simulations → models will be integrated into commercial F.E. software ANSYS®

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