

# ***Determination of Geometrically Necessary Dislocations in Large Shear Strain Localization in Metals***

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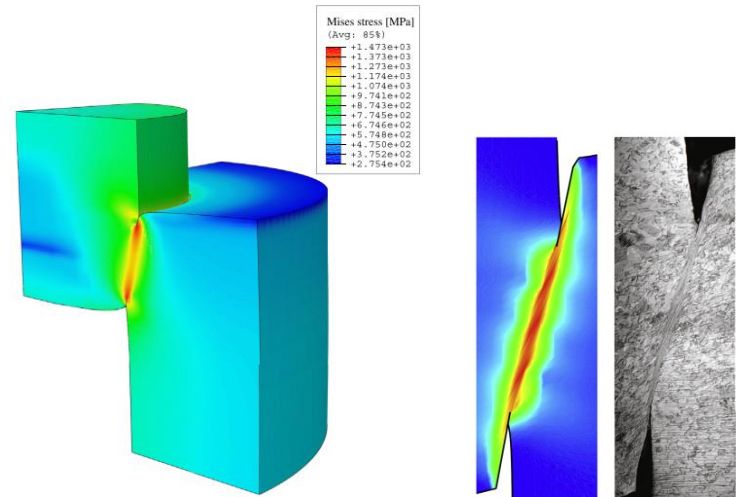


# Shear Localization Tests

## Top-hat shape sample

### Sample Geometry:

- Top-hat shape specimen
- Shear compression specimen
- Double-shear specimen
- Pressure-shear impact test
- etc



H.M. Mourad *et al.*, 2016

Alignment of specific microstructure or texture in hat-shape sample's shear plane is difficult.

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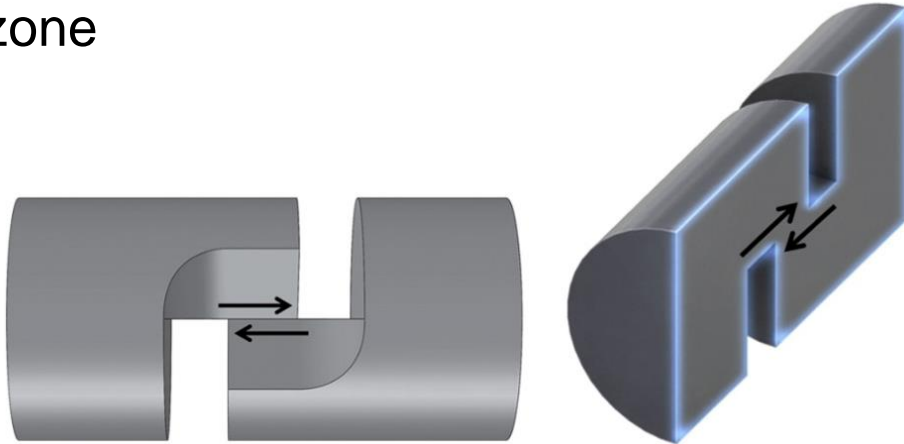
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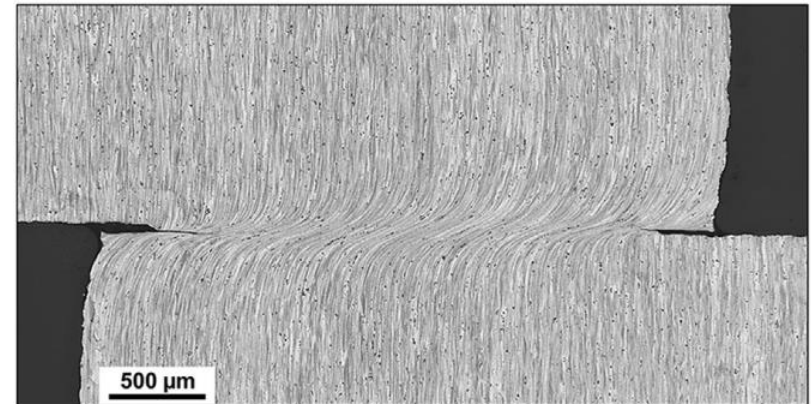


# Compact forced-simple-shear sample design

Sectioned view of CFSS sample shear zone



Optical image of shear zone in 7039 aluminium alloy

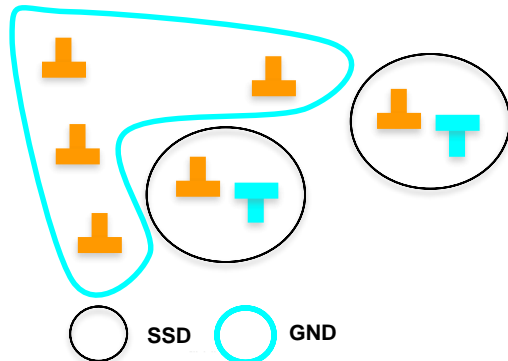


- Alignment of single shear plane during forced shear to specific texture or grain morphology.
- Simple pure shear stress state in the shearing zone
- **Quantify microstructural aspects of shear localization**

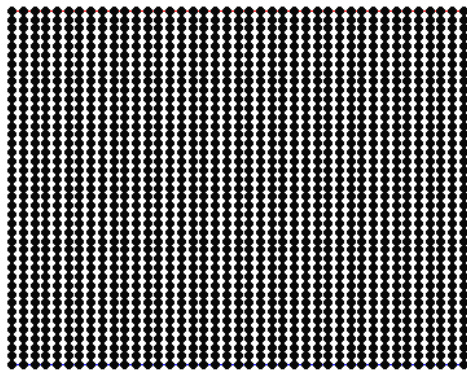
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# Overview of EBSD-based GND density calculation

Schematic of Geometrically-necessary (GND) and Statistically-stored (SSD) dislocations



GND in a crystal (e.g. bending)



- Accommodate lattice curvature associated with non-uniform deformation
- Obstacles to motions of SSD (hardening)

Nye's dislocation density tensor relates lattice orientation gradients to dislocation density (Nye 1953)

$$\alpha_{ij} = \sum_{n=1}^N \rho_{GND}^n b_i^n l_j^n$$

$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \omega_{12}}{\partial x_3} - \frac{\partial \omega_{13}}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial \omega_{13}}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial \omega_{21}}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial \omega_{32}}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial \omega_{23}}{\partial x_1} - \frac{\partial \omega_{21}}{\partial x_3} & \frac{\partial \omega_{21}}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial \omega_{32}}{\partial x_3} & \frac{\partial \omega_{13}}{\partial x_3} & \frac{\partial \omega_{31}}{\partial x_2} - \frac{\partial \omega_{32}}{\partial x_1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Extract the lattice orientation gradients (Demir *et al.* 2009)

$$\alpha_{ik} = -\epsilon_{klj} \frac{\partial \beta_{ij}^{el}}{\partial x_l} \approx -\epsilon_{klj} g_{ij,l}$$

Solve for dislocation density vector  $\rho$  using Matlab under the the  $L_1$  dislocation energy minimization scheme (Britton *et al.* 2012)

$$\alpha = \xi(6 \times 33) \cdot \rho(33 \times 1) = \Lambda(6 \times 1) \quad \text{HCP}(N=33)$$

GND resolution is limited by angular resolution and step size (Wilkinson and Randman, 2010)

Reference:

Zhu *et al.*, Acta Materialia, 2016

Nye, Acta Metallurgica, 1953

Demir *et al.*, Acta Materialia, 2009

Britton *et al.*, Acta Materialia, 2012

Wilkinson *et al.*, Philosophical Magazine, 2010



# Morphological anisotropy study

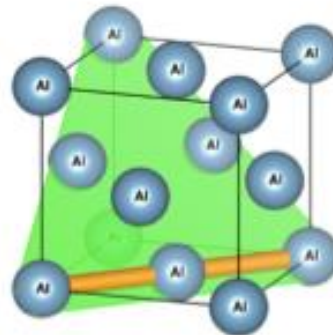
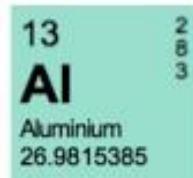
Materials specification (7039-Al alloy):

- CFSS samples used by Gray *et al.* (2016).

Loading condition:

- quasi-statically compressed at a strain rate of 0.001/sec at 298K

Slip systems (N=18):  $\langle 110 \rangle \{111\}$  6 screw and 12 edge



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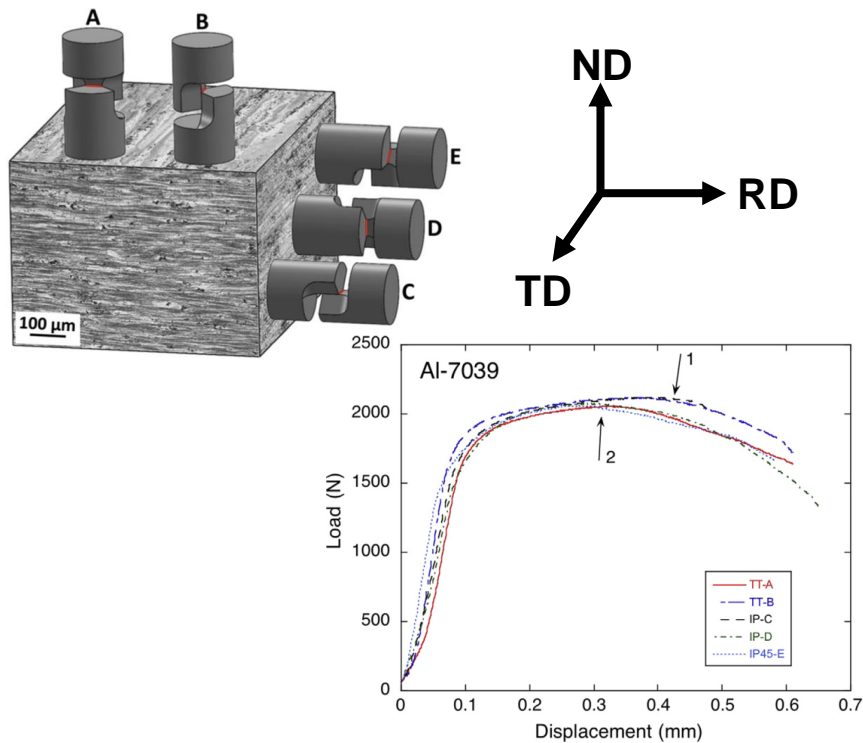
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# Mechanical response and damage evolution



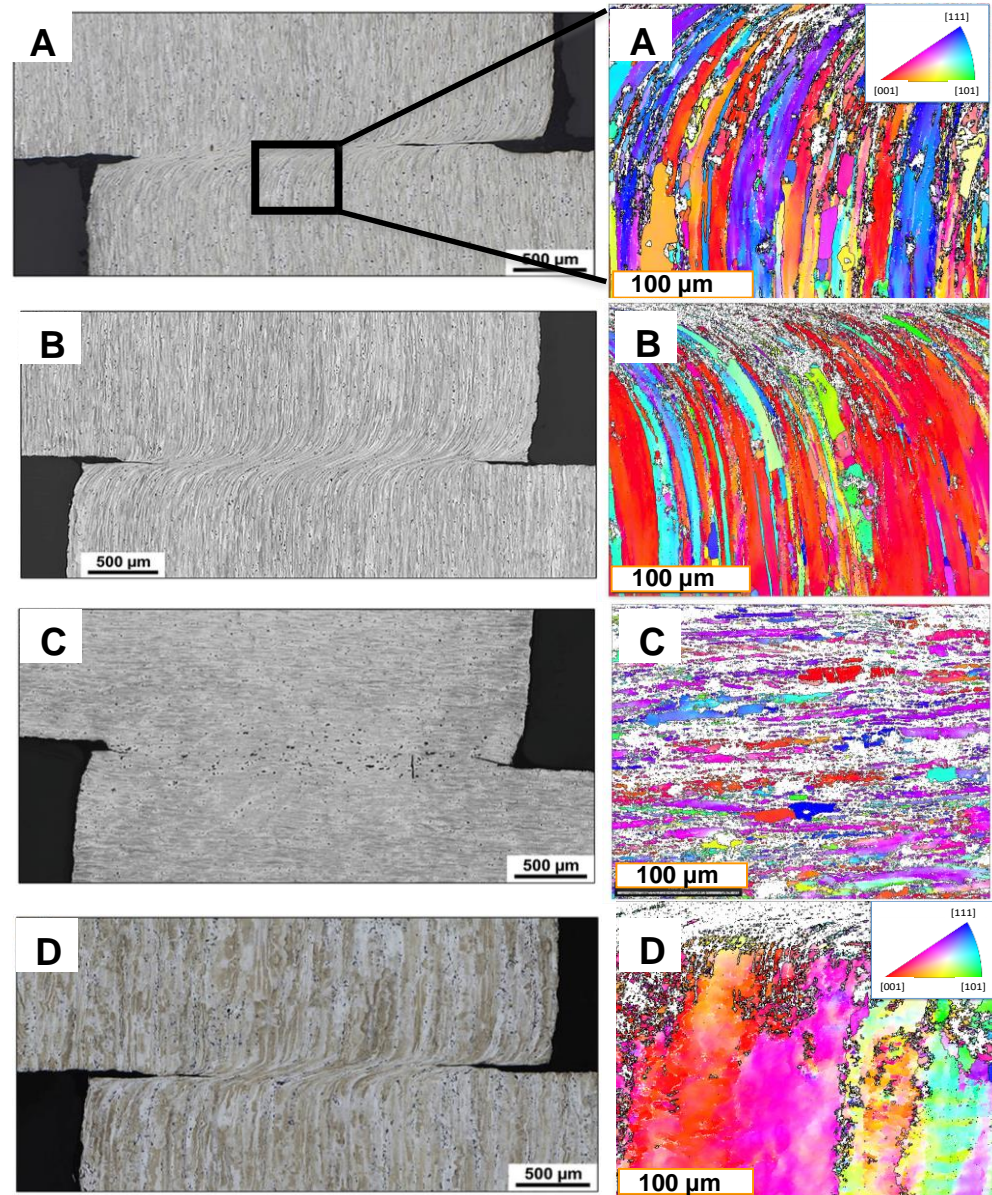
## Mechanical response:

- Load displacement response are nominally similar for four samples
- B and C retain higher peak loads at greater level of shear displacement.

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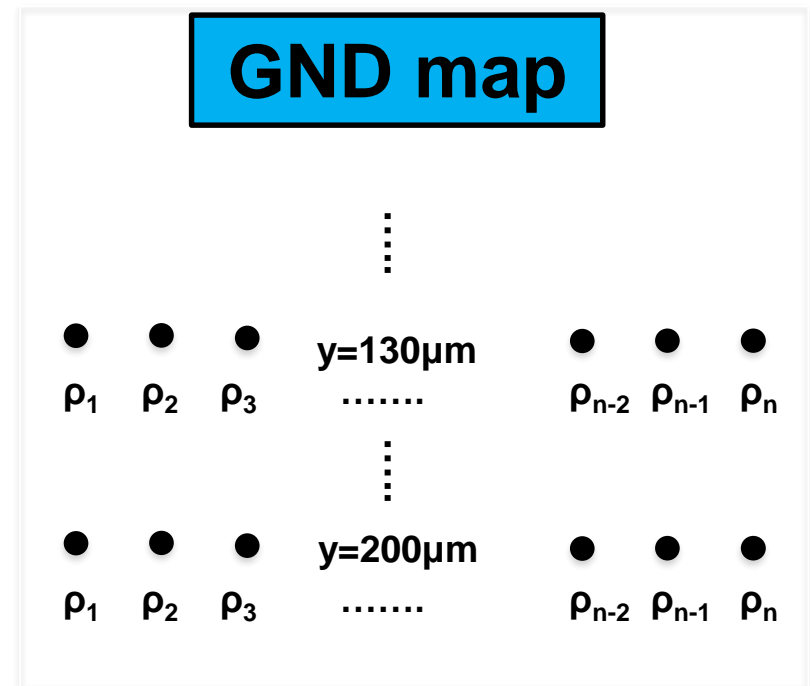
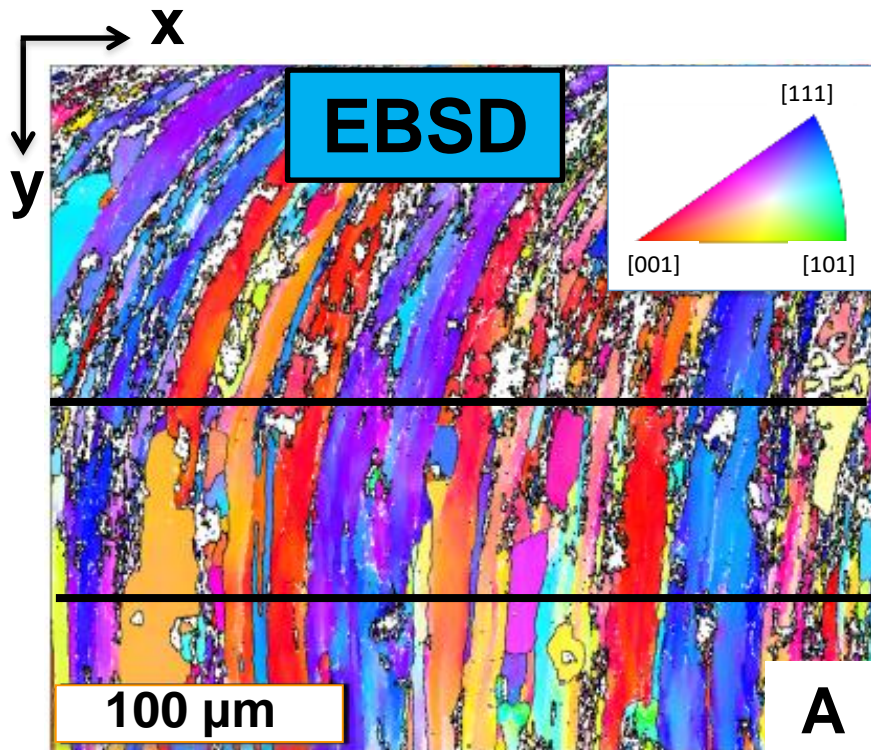
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# Line average GND density method

- Estimate the gradient in GND density over the region of shear localization



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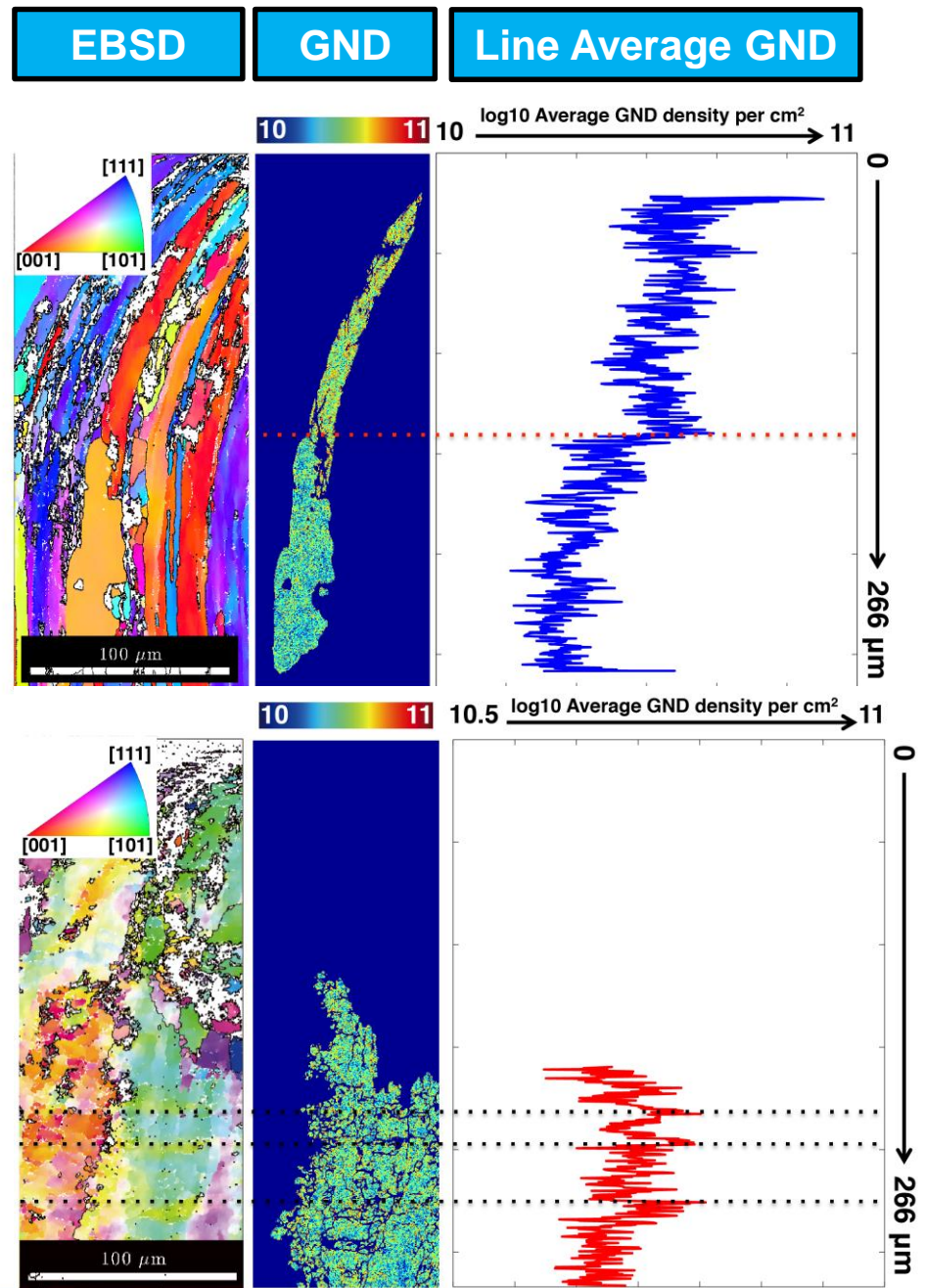
## ‘Shielding effect’ (A-direction)

- Stress-relief crack formation along grain boundary
- Lower grain is ‘shielded’ from shear deformation

## Microbands formation (D-direction)

- Multiple microbands formed in the direction of shear
- Local GND density peaks of similar order of magnitude

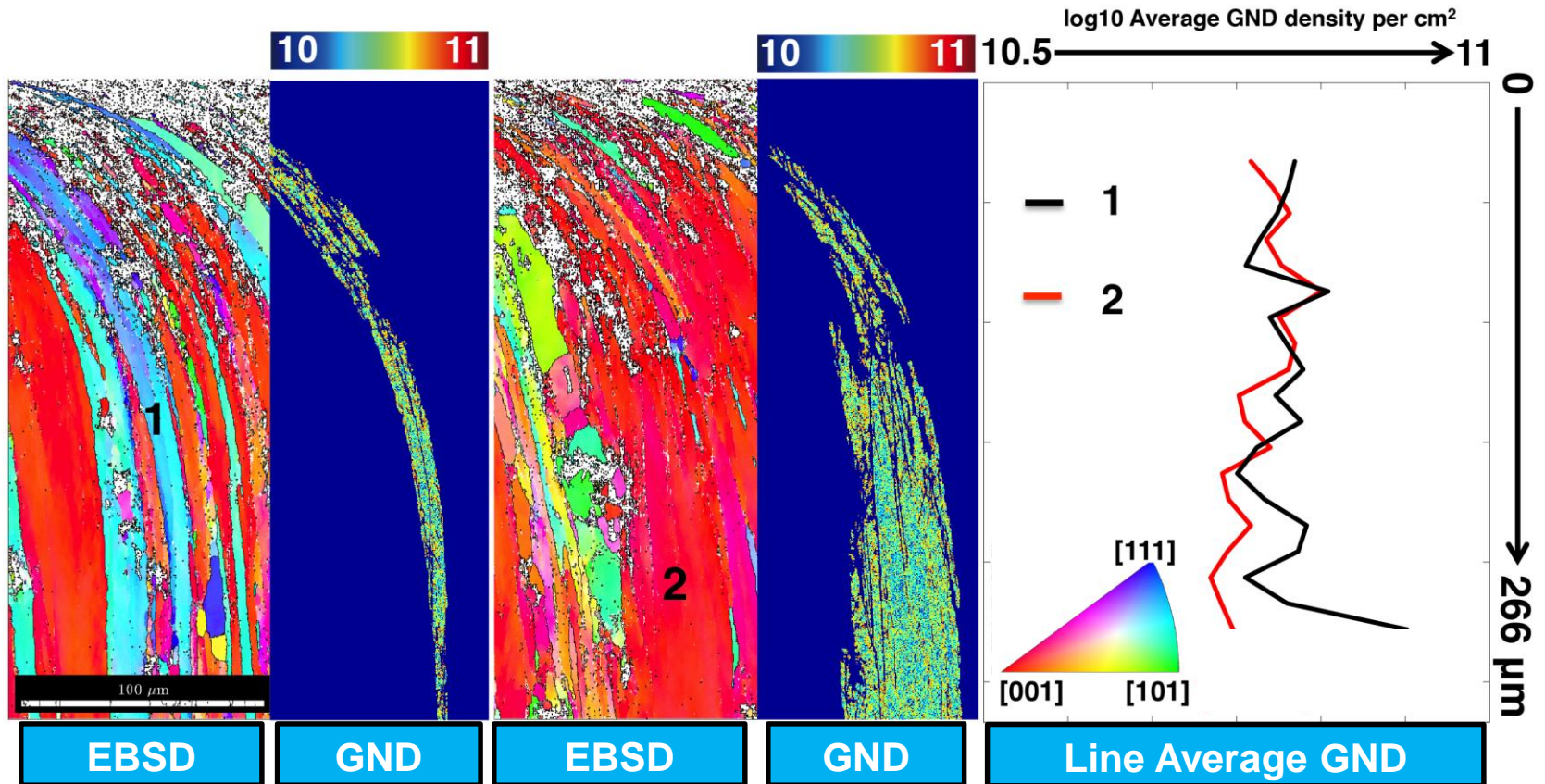
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## Grain shape effect (B-direction)

- Due to geometric constraint, GND density varies inversely to the slip distance (Ashby, 1970) i.e. horizontal distance across the grain in the direction of shear



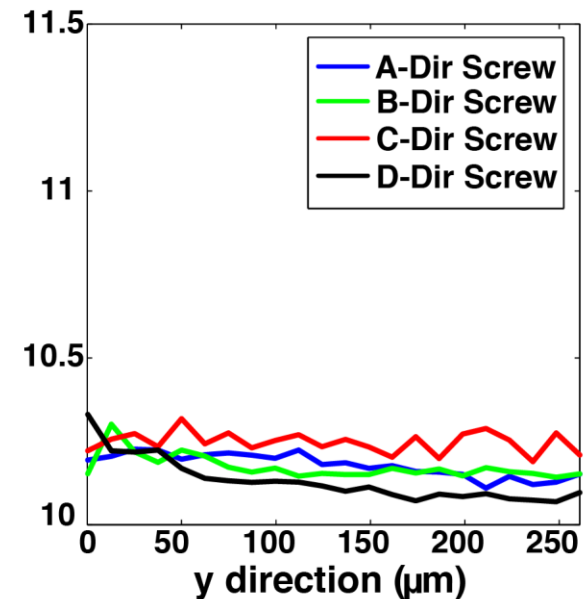
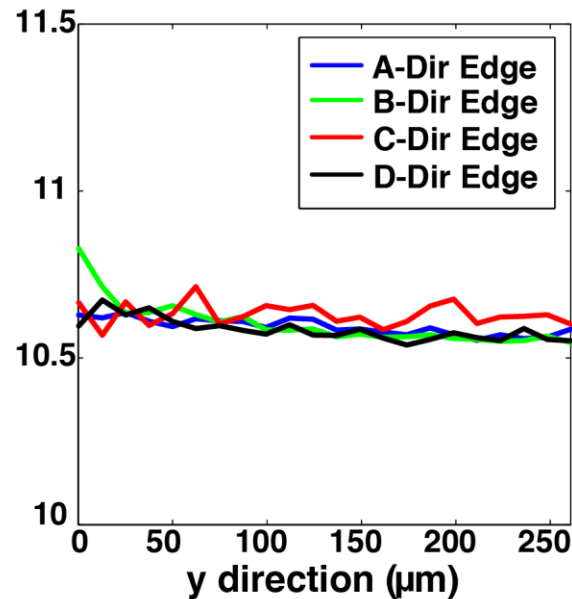
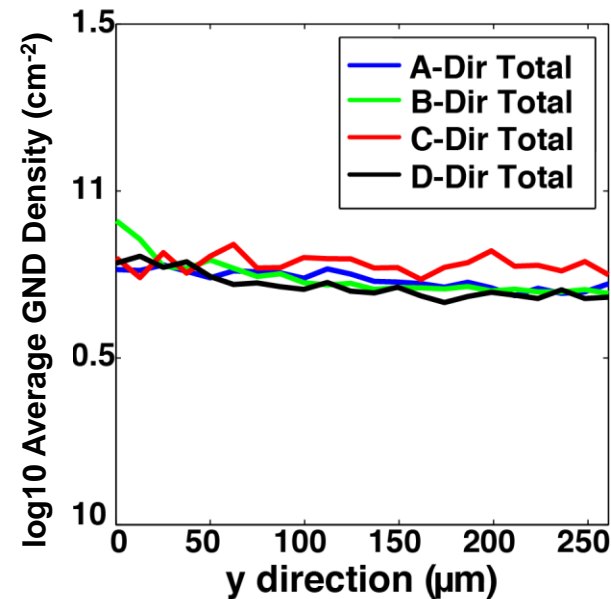
Ashby, Philosophical Magazine, 1970

Zhu *et al.*, Acta Materialia, 2016



# Line average GND density profiles for 7039 aluminium alloy

- Higher GND density close to center of shear band for B-Dir and across the C-Dir, leading to more pronounced strain hardening effect
- The amount of GND decreases away from the shear band center, except for C-Dir
- The amount of GND present are very similar for A-, B- and D-Dir away from shear band, and more edge-type GND are present than screw-type GND



Zhu *et al.*, Acta Materialia, 2016

# Crystallographic anisotropy study

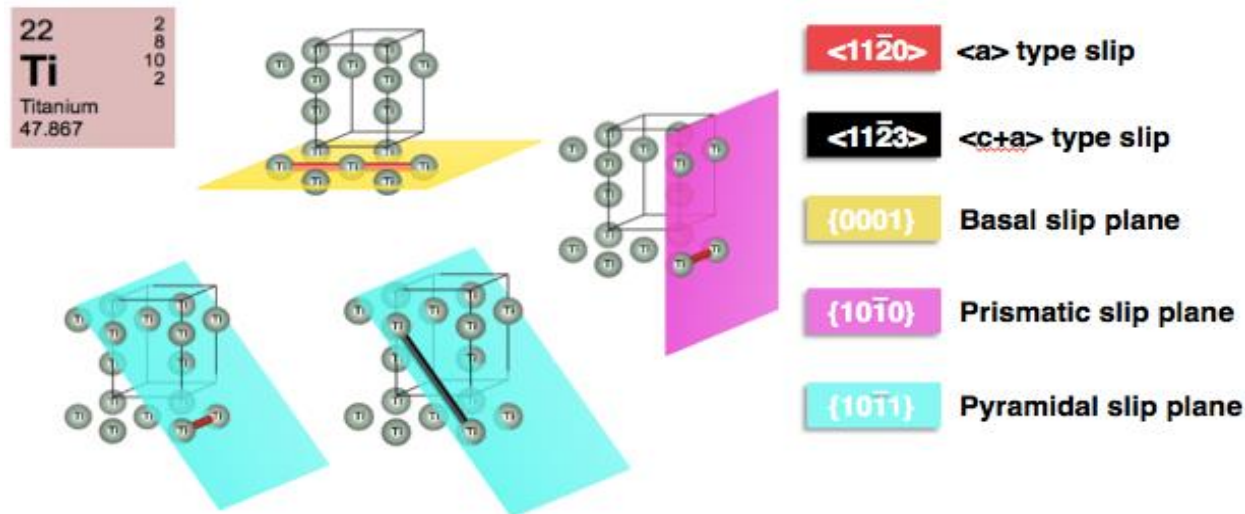
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- CFSS samples used by Gray *et al.*

Loading condition:

- quasi-statically compressed at a strain rate of 0.001/sec at 293K.

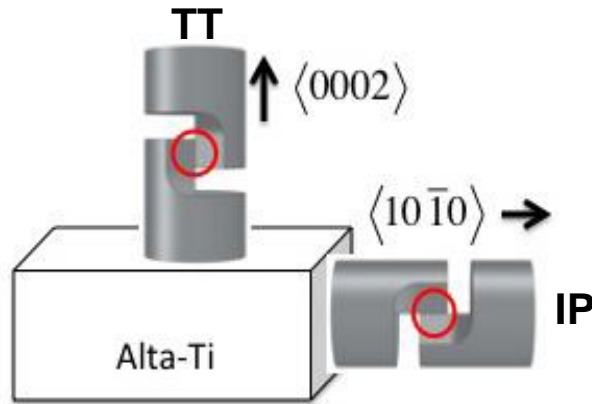
Slip systems (N=33) (Jones and Hutchinson, 1981):



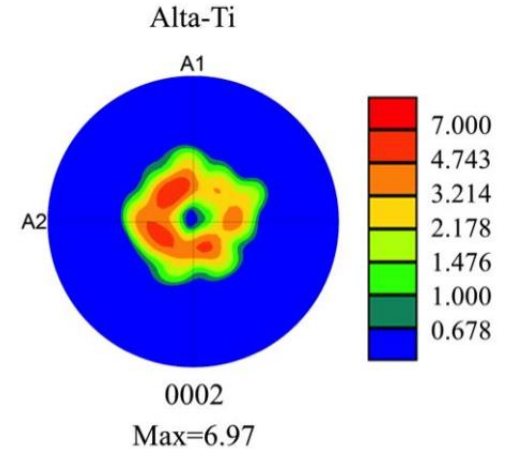
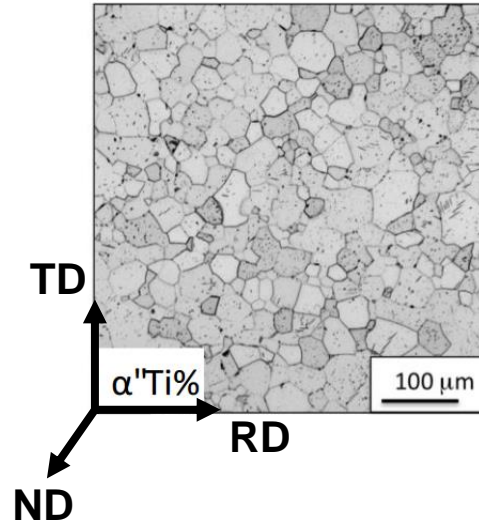
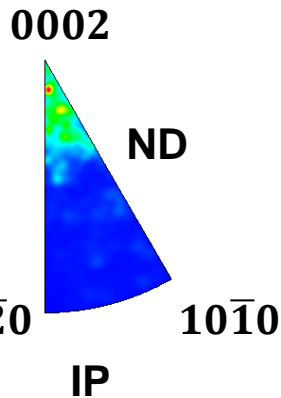
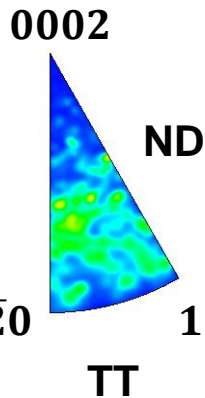
Reference: G.T. Gray III *et al.*, Proceedings of the 13th World Conference on Titanium, 2016  
Jones and Hutchinson, Acta Metallurgica, 1981



# Test sample orientation and texture



Inverse pole figures of shear planes



- The [0002] phase-pole figure showing strong texture in the plane of the plate

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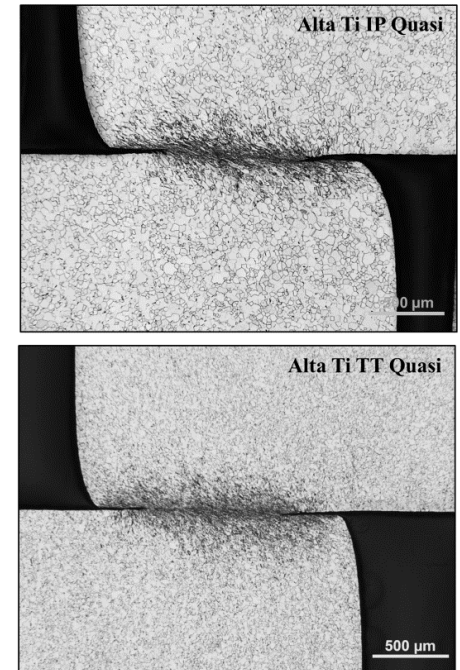
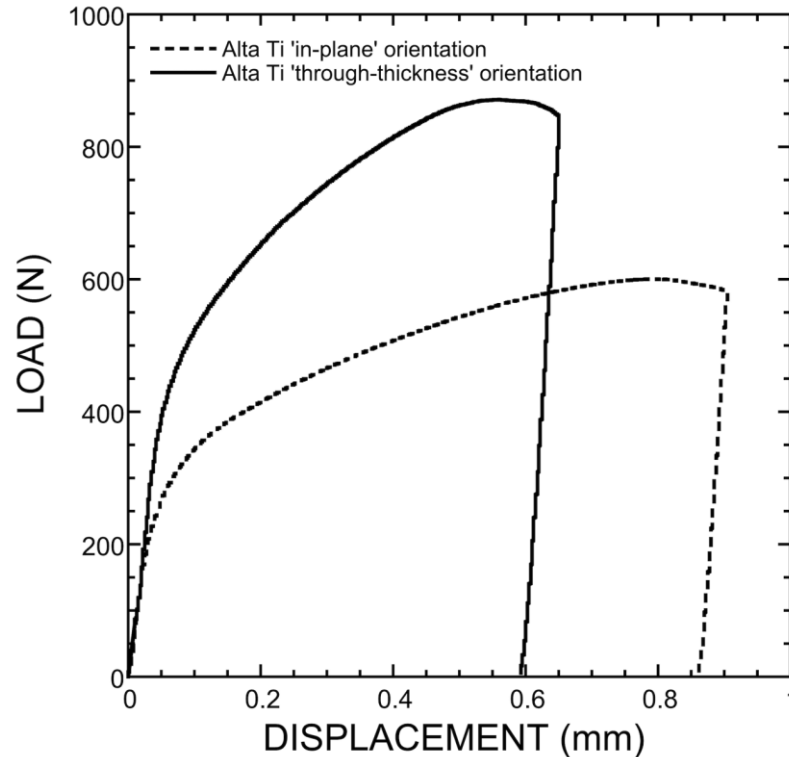
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# Mechanical response and shear band formation

- High strain hardening rate for both samples
- Higher tensile strength for TT sample
- Shear strain achieved for IP sample is higher



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# Schmid factors under simple shear deformation

$$\tau_{RSS} = m \cdot \sigma_{applied}$$

Condition for dislocation motion:  $\tau_{RSS} \geq \tau_{CRSS}$

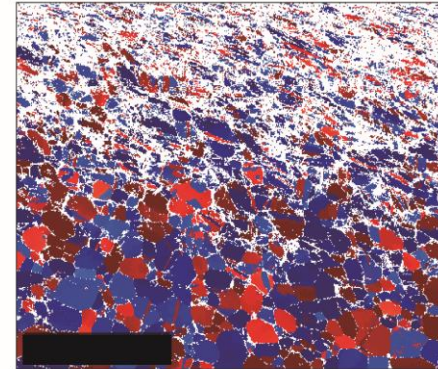
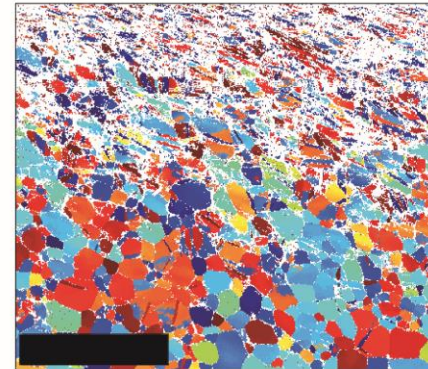
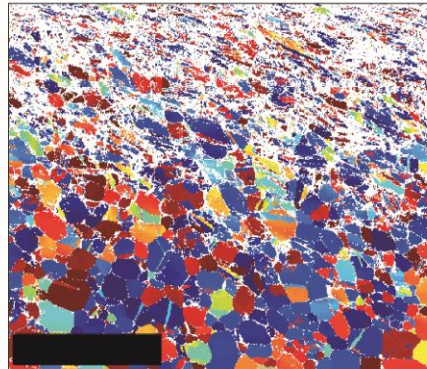
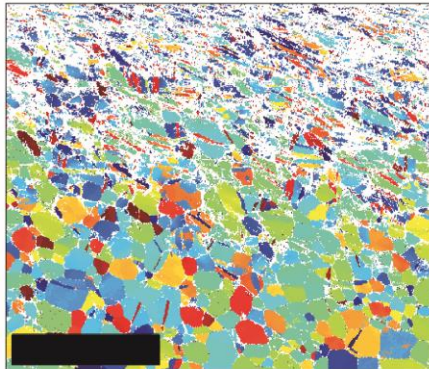
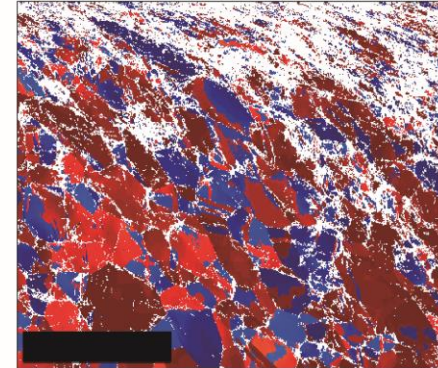
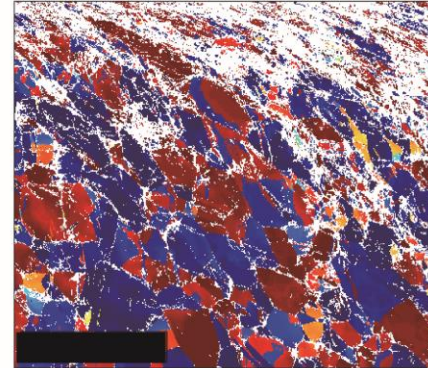
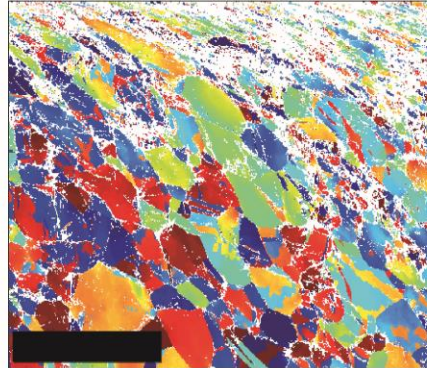
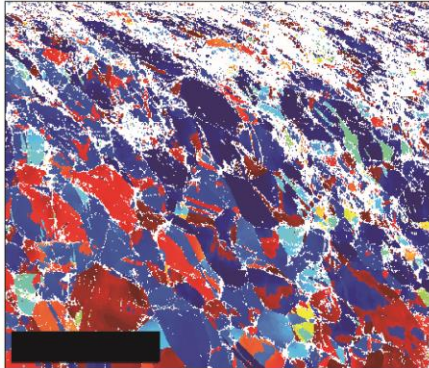
Ti IP  
Ti TT

<a> prismatic

<a> basal

<a> pyramidal

<c+a> pyramidal



100 microns



Low CRSS

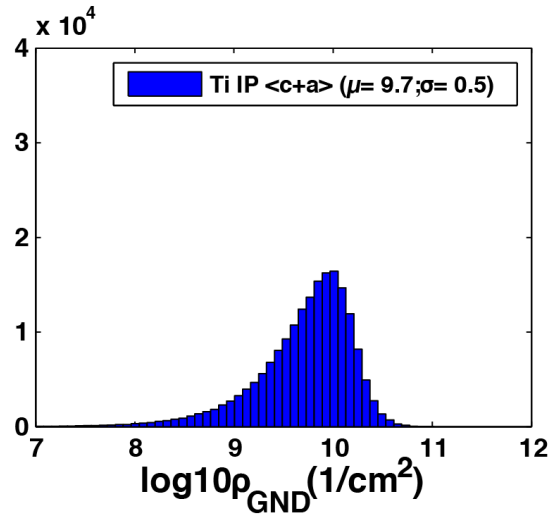
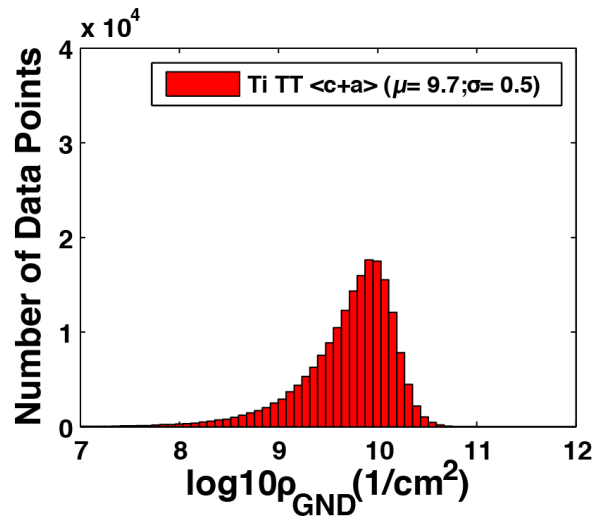
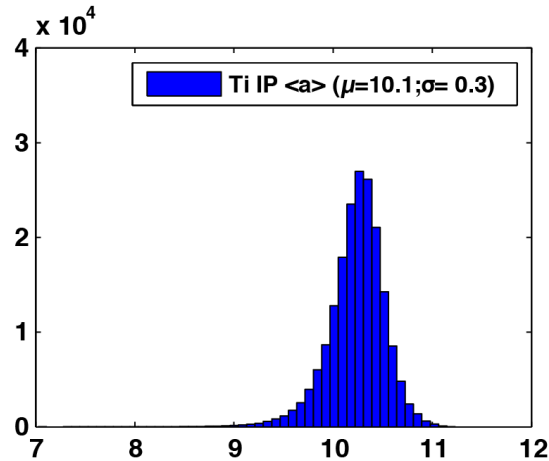
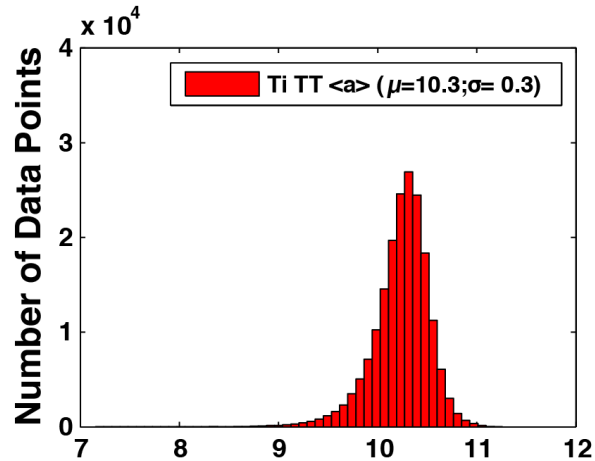
High CRSS

Reference:  
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<http://mtex-toolbox.github.io/>

IP: easy <a> prismatic and pyramidal slips  
TT: unfavorable <a> type slips



# Distribution of GND density data points for <a> and <c+a> type slips



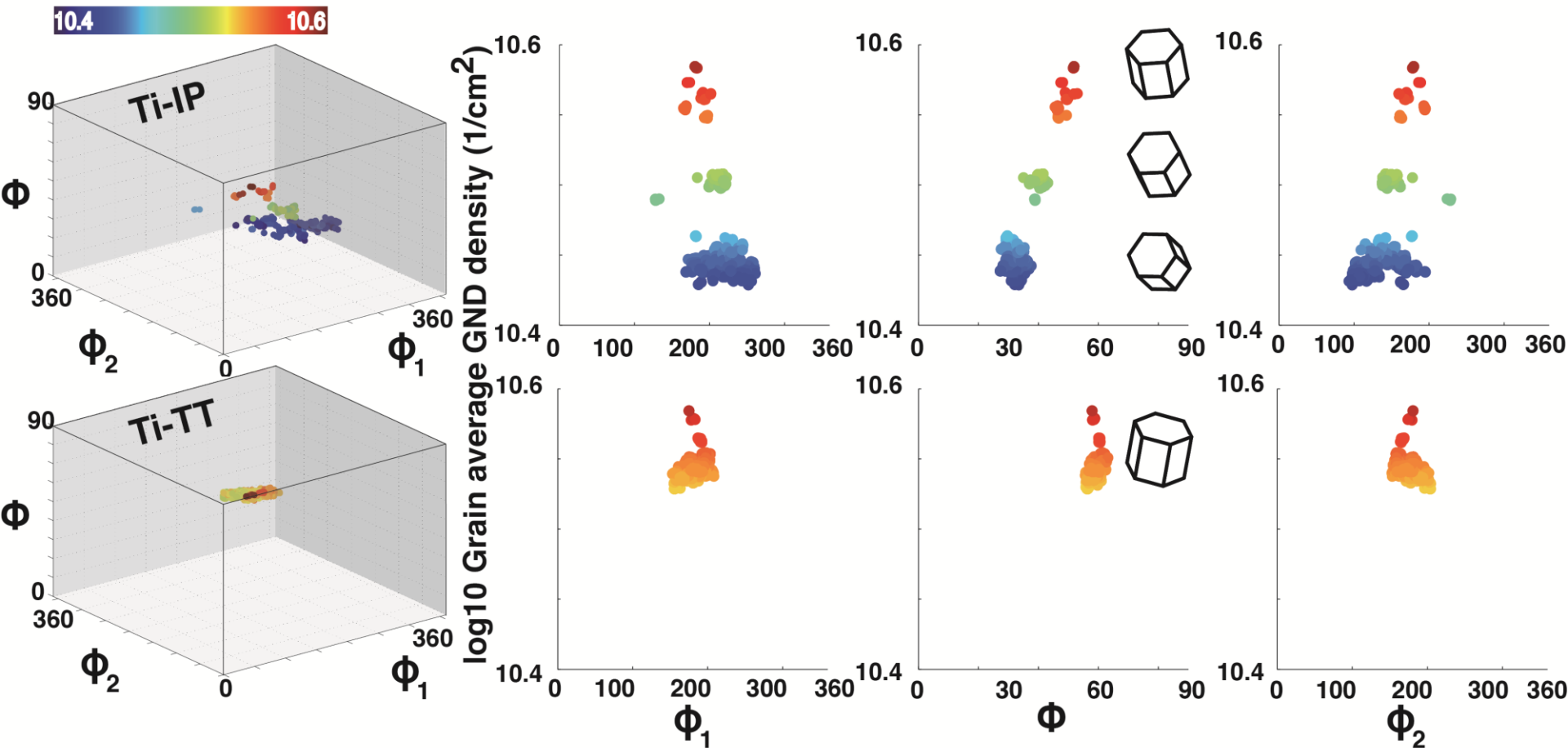
- The number of <a> type GND is much more than the <c+a> type in both samples.
- More statistical variation is present in the <c+a> type slip.
- The <a> type in TT sample is slightly higher than the IP sample.





# Orientation dependence of grain average GND in high-purity titanium

- The order of magnitude of grain average GND is linearly dependent on the  $\Phi$  angle





# Summary

7039-Al alloy:

- i. Anisotropy in damage evolution and shear-stress shear-strain response of 7039-aluminum alloy is associated with the grain structure of the material, i.e. morphological anisotropy creating variations in grain boundary interactions
- ii. Microbands formation in D-direction is associated with local GND peaks;
- iii. Stress-relief crack propagating along grain boundaries due to the presence of voids or inclusions generates a 'shielding effect' on neighboring grains;
- iv. Line average GND varies inversely with the width of the grain, leading to generally pronounced higher GND density near triple junctions.
- v. Higher GND density close to center of shear band for B-Dir and across the C-Dir, leading to more pronounced strain hardening effect



# Summary

## High-purity Ti:

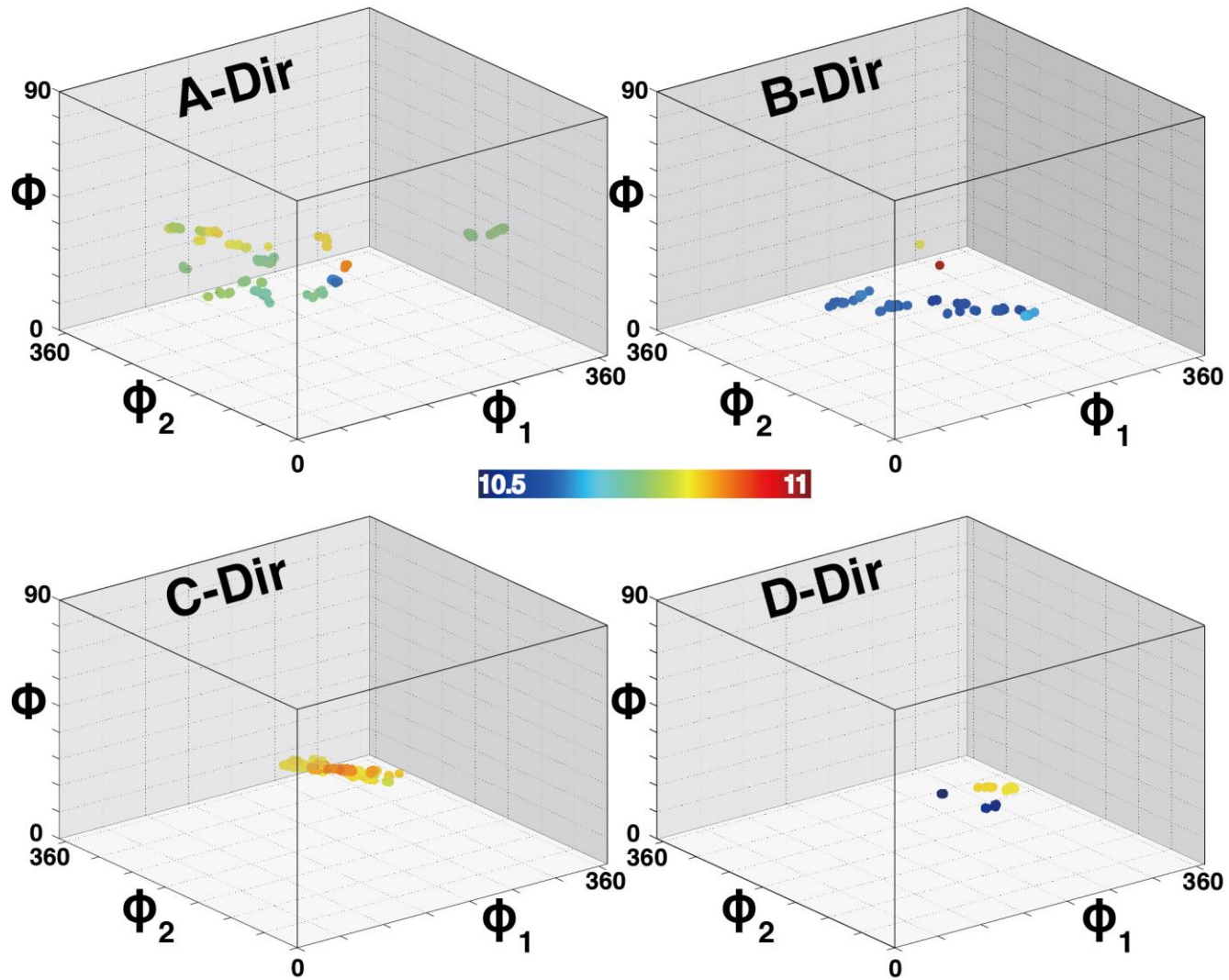
- i) The anisotropy in deformation response for the high-purity titanium samples are derived from initial crystallographic texture of the materials, in which the IP sample favors easy  $\langle a \rangle$  prismatic and pyramidal slips and TT sample has unfavorable  $\langle a \rangle$  type slip
- ii) Total GND and  $\langle a \rangle$  type GND density are higher in TT sample, whereas the  $\langle c+a \rangle$  type GND are similar in magnitude for both.
- iii) More  $\langle a \rangle$  type GND remained in both samples than  $\langle c+a \rangle$  type GND.
- iv) the increase in grain average GND density was determined to have strong correlation to increase in the  $\Phi$  angle of the grain average orientation



# Thank you!

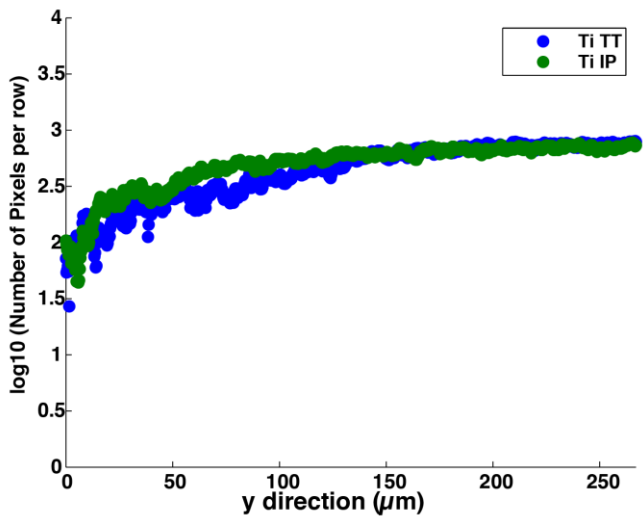


# Orientation dependence of grain average GND in aluminum





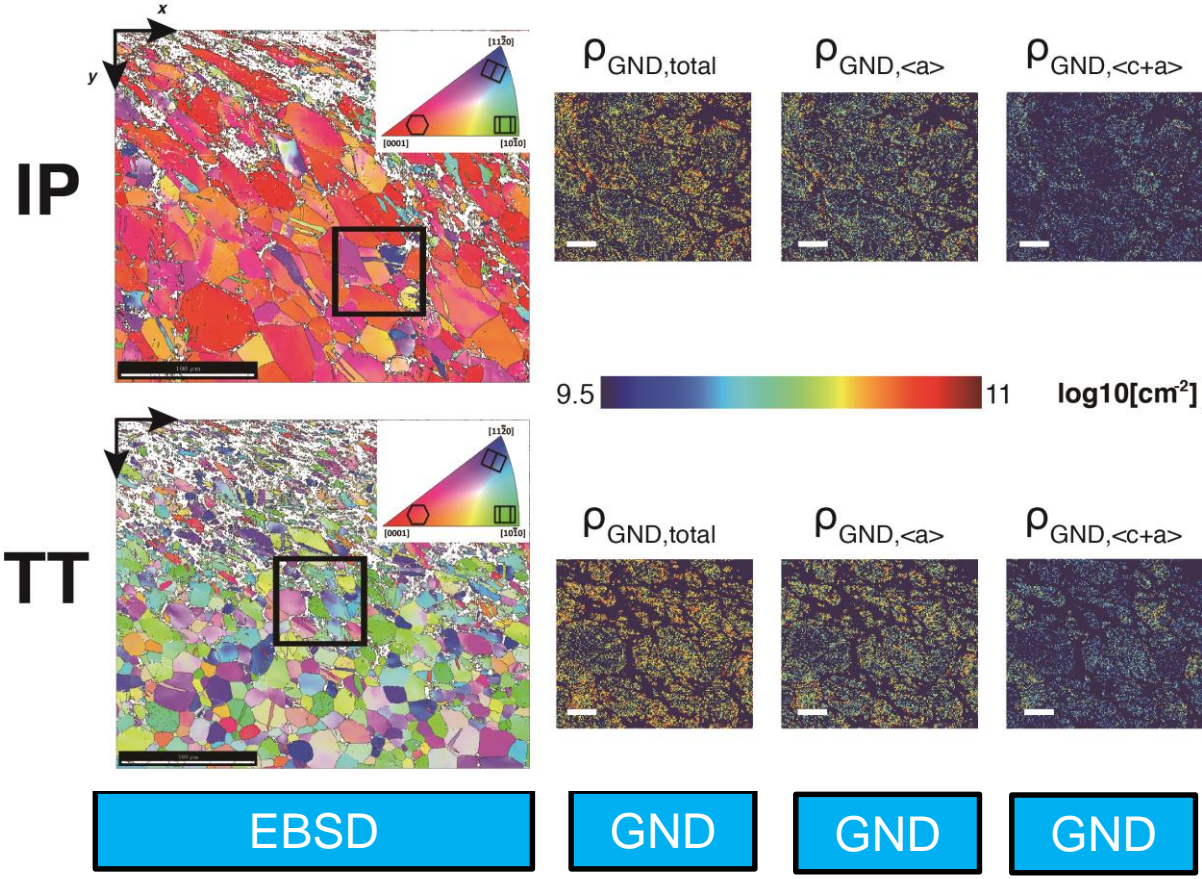
# Pattern degradation effect on the number of available GND data points



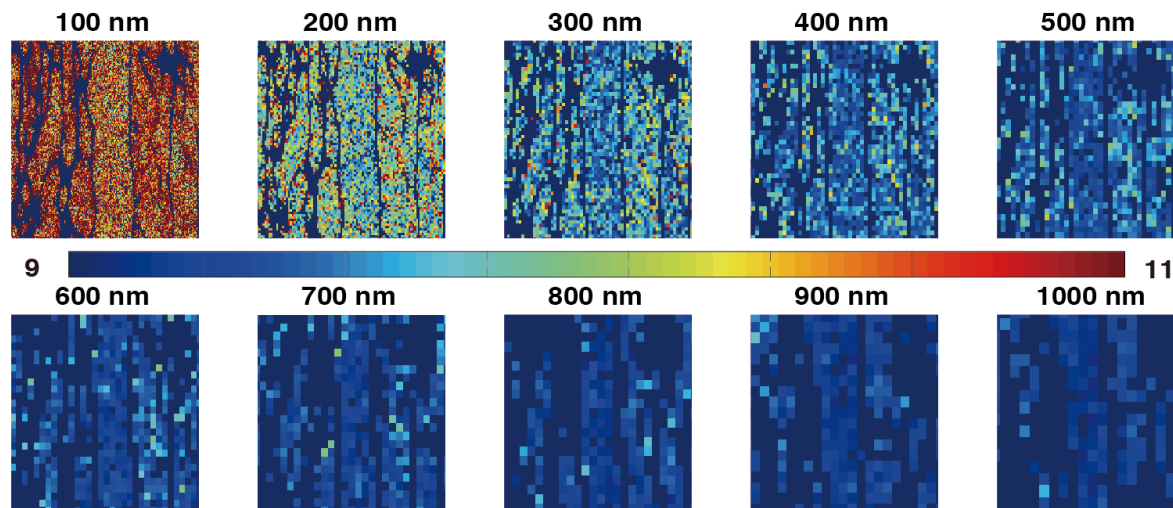
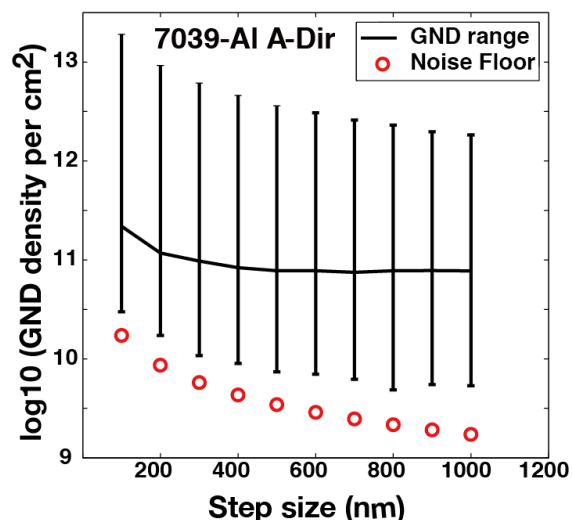
- Amount of GND present is higher in TT
- The width of shear band is wider in TT

# EBSD images and selected GND maps

• Noise floor  $5 \times 10^9$  per  $\text{cm}^2$



# Backup slides

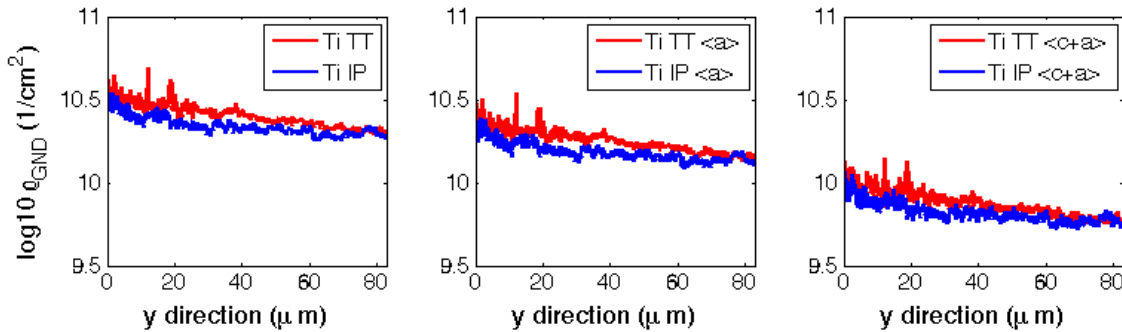


Left: Step size analysis for 7039-aluminum samples, machined from the A-direction. Black curve is the mean GND density of the selected area as a function of step size (nm); Black error bars represent the range of GND density values spanned at each step size; red circles denote the noise floor estimated at every step size with a corresponding angular resolution of  $0.4^\circ$  and Burgers vector of  $2.86 \text{ \AA}$  for aluminum; Right: GND maps in step size dependence analysis for the same selected area of 7039-aluminum A-direction sample (size of the box is 25 mm by 25 mm) at step sizes of 100 nm, 200 nm, 300 nm, 400 nm, 500 nm, 600 nm, 700 nm, 800 nm, 900 nm, and 1000 nm (log<sub>10</sub> scale, unit: 1/cm<sup>2</sup>). (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

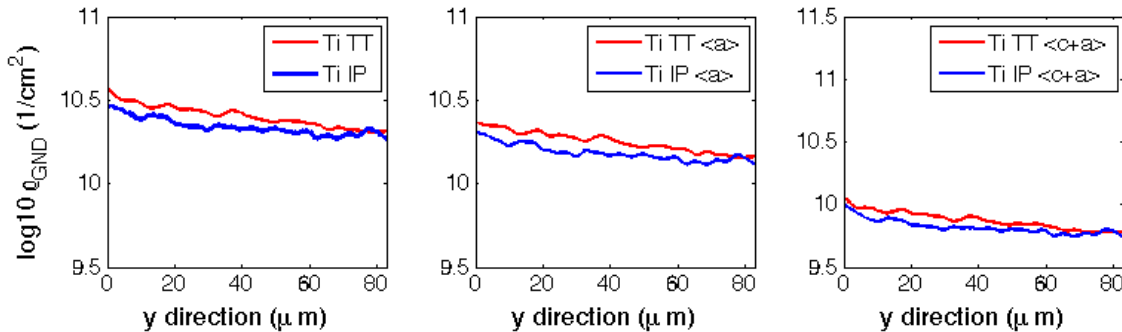


# Line average GND density profiles for shear bands in high-purity titanium

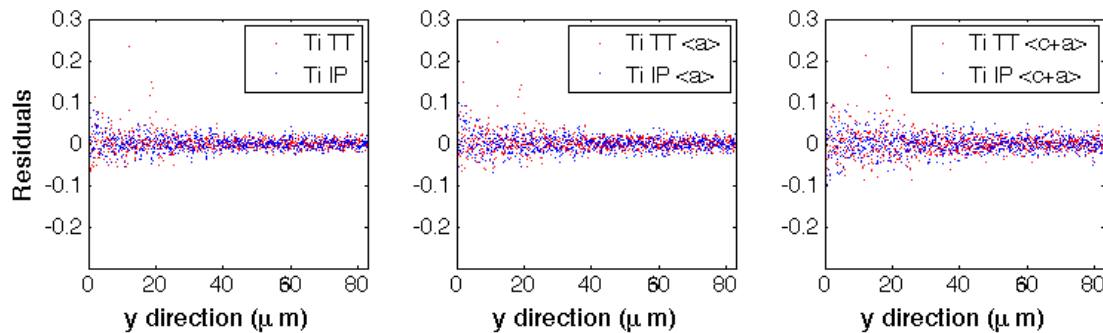
Raw Data



Smoothed Data

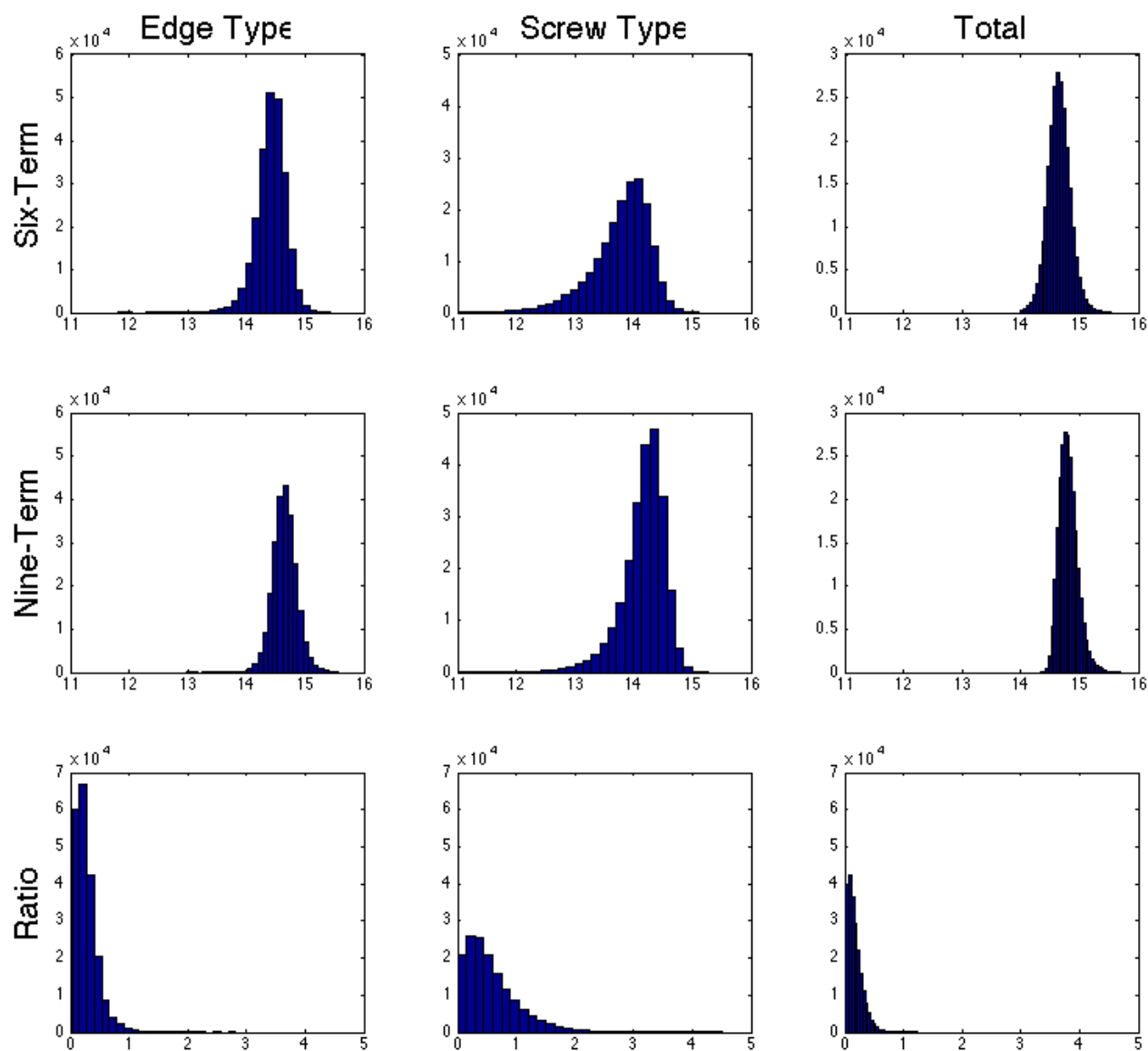


Error



- Higher total and mainly <a> type GND density for TT sample close to the center of shear band due to shearing of less favorably oriented grains.
- More <a> type GND remained in both samples than <c+a> type GND.
- <a> type GND drops at a faster rate than <c+a> type GNDs, strain-hardening of high-purity titanium is mainly through <a> type.



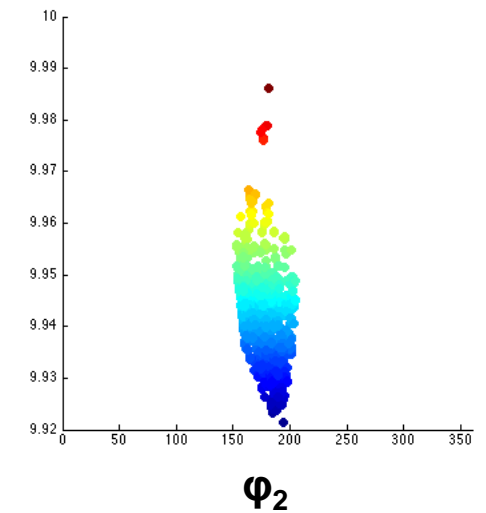
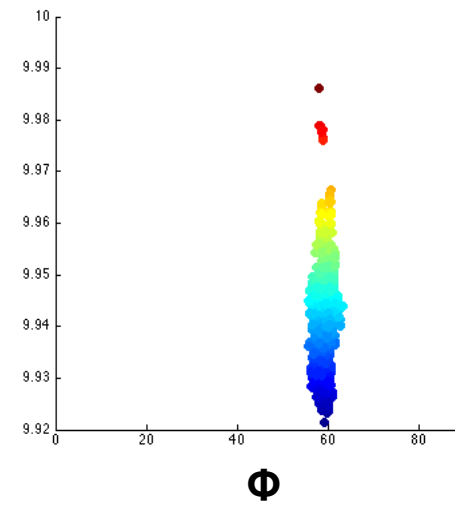
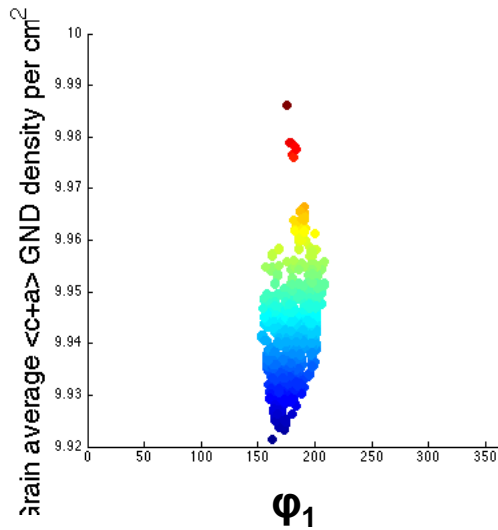
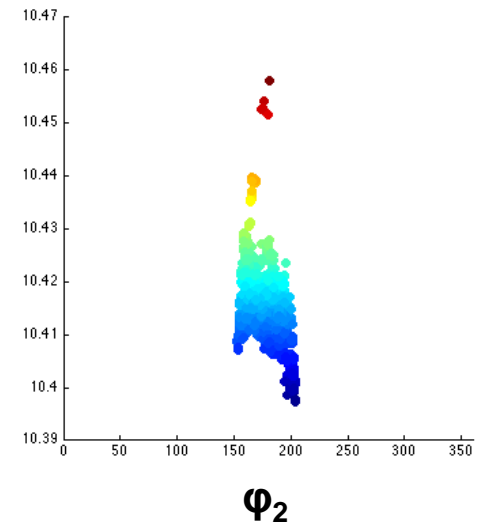
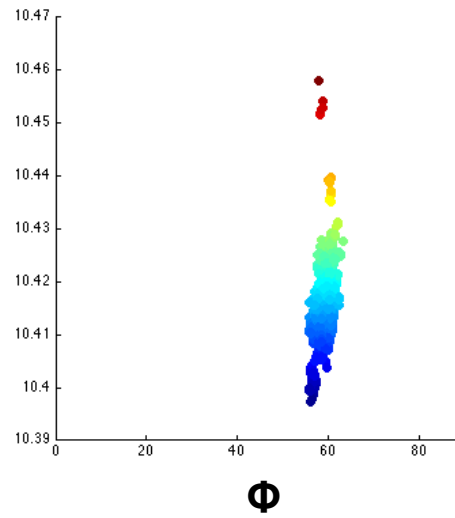
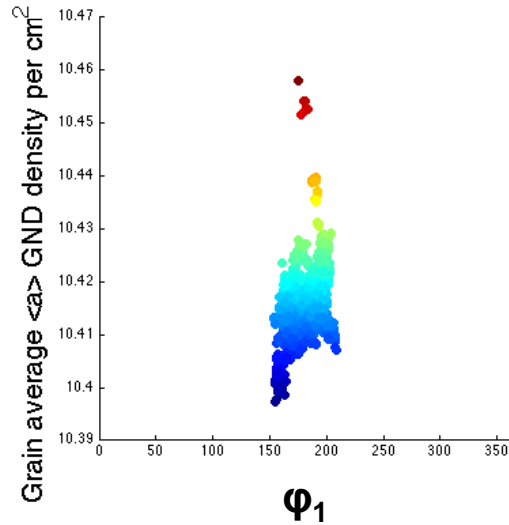


Comparison of effect to six term and nine term approaches on GND density distributions in FCC crystal.





# Orientation dependence for <a> and <c+a> type in TT sample



# Orientation dependence for $\langle a \rangle$ and $\langle c+a \rangle$ type in IP sample

