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# **SERRATION BEHAVIOR OF HIGH-ENTROPY ALLOYS (HEAs)**

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# Outline of Presentation

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- **Introduction of high-entropy alloys (HEAs) and mean field theory (MFT)**
- **MFT applications and predictions**
- **Experimental results**
- **Conclusions**
- **Published papers and presentations**

# Objectives

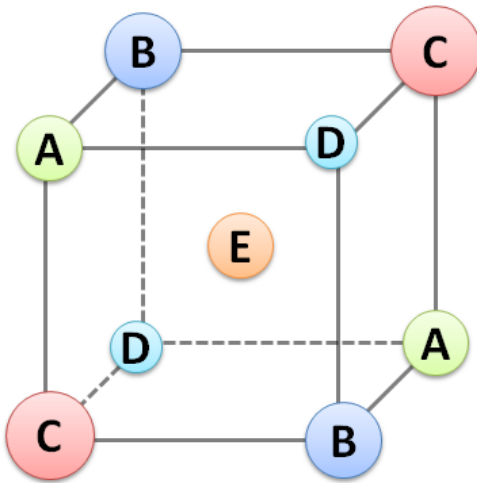
- To provide a fundamental understanding of the serration behavior of high-entropy alloys (HEAs) through
  - ❖ Slip-avalanche modeling
  - ❖ Theoretical analyses
  - ❖ Mechanical experiments
- To reveal the deformation mechanisms of HEAs
- To develop and test serration-based models to predict the mechanical performance and creep behavior for long-term fossil-energy applications of HEAs

# Introduction: High-entropy alloys

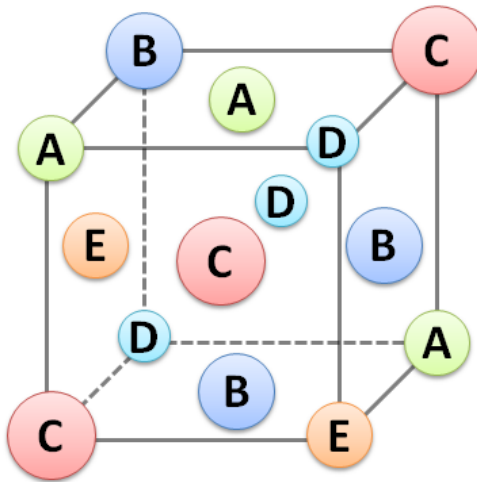
**HEAs:** typically defined as the alloys that contain five or more principal elements with each element of 5 to 35 atomic percentage or in near-equimolar ratios, possessing a single structure, such as face-centered cubic (FCC), body-centered cubic (BCC), and hexagonal- close-packed (HCP) phase.

The Gibbs free energy:  $\Delta G_{\text{mix}} = \Delta H_{\text{mix}} - T\Delta S_{\text{mix}}$

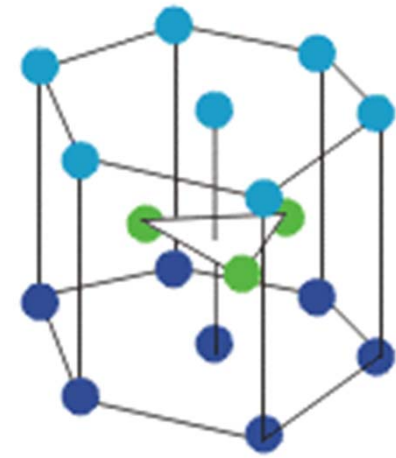
(A) BCC: five principal elements



(B) FCC: five principal elements

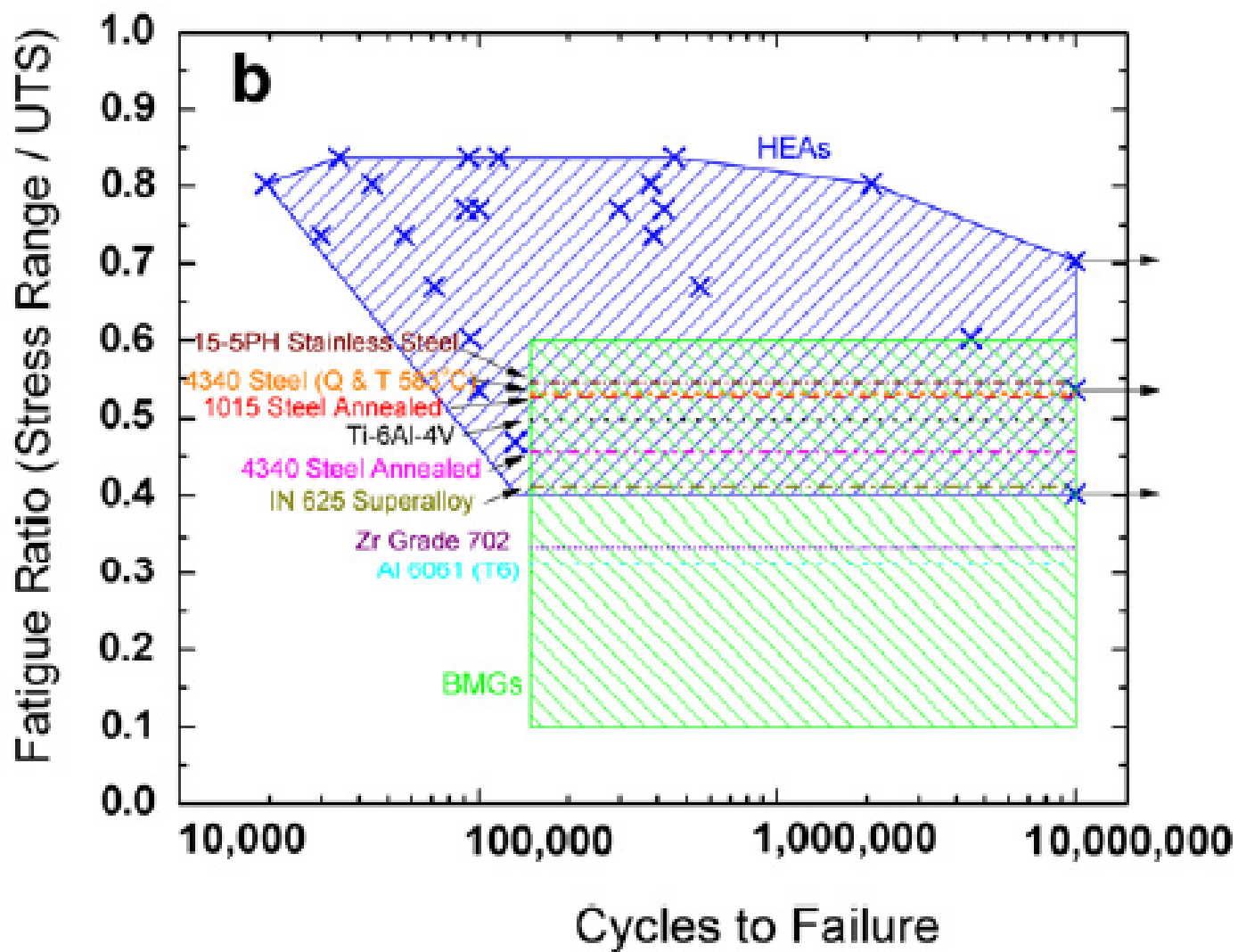


(C) HCP



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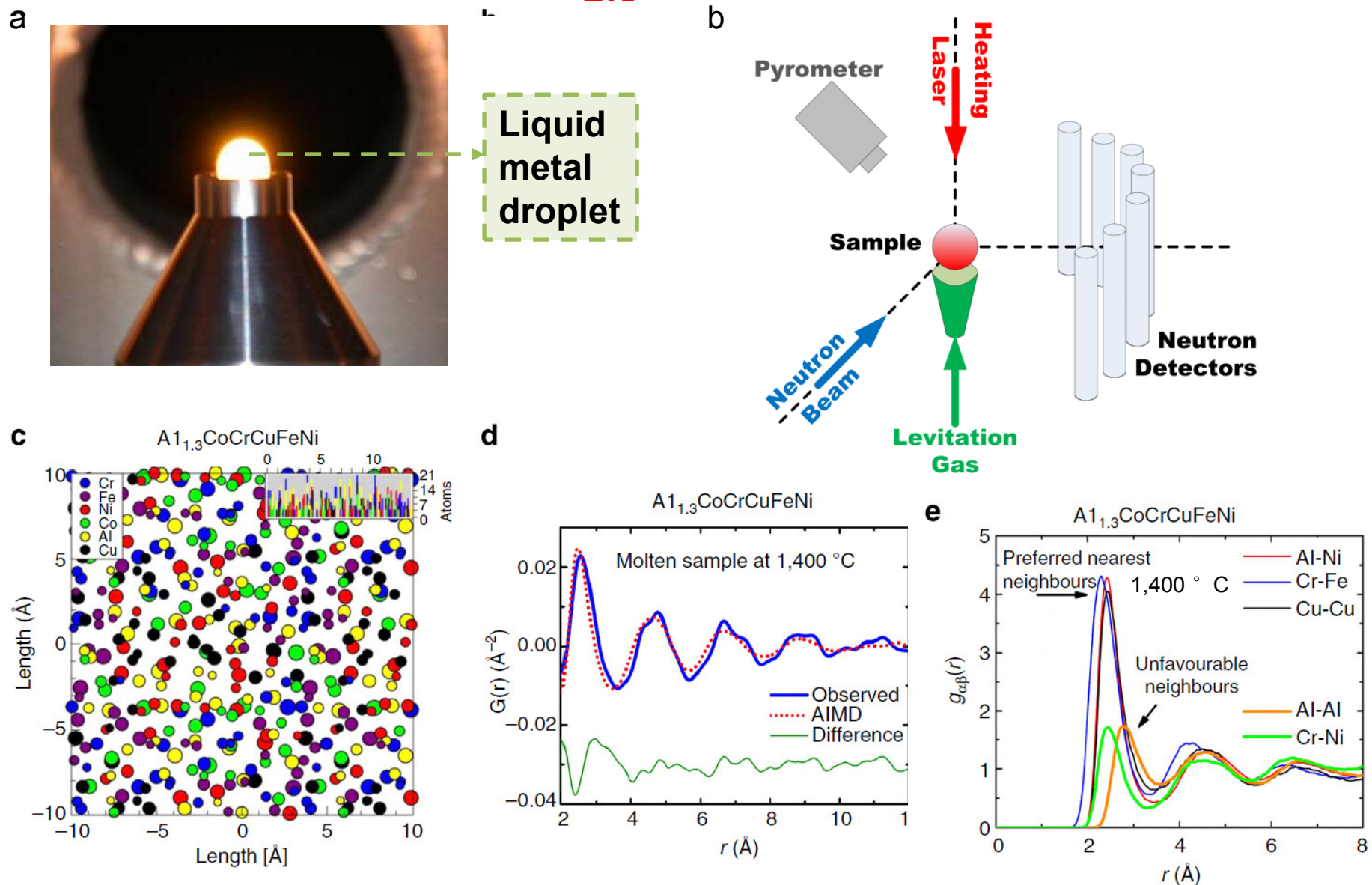
## Fatigue properties of HEA



S–N curves comparing the fatigue ratios of the  $\text{Al}_{0.5}\text{CoCrCuFeNi}$  HEA, other conventional alloys, and BMGs

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# Local Structure of $\text{Al}_{1.3}\text{CoCrCuFeNi}$ (SNS, ORNL)



1. L. J. Santodonato, Y. Zhang, M. Feygenson, C. M. Parish, M. C. Gao, R. J. K. Weber, J. C. Neufeind, Z. Tang, and P. K. Liaw, Nature Communications, 2015, 6, p. 5964.

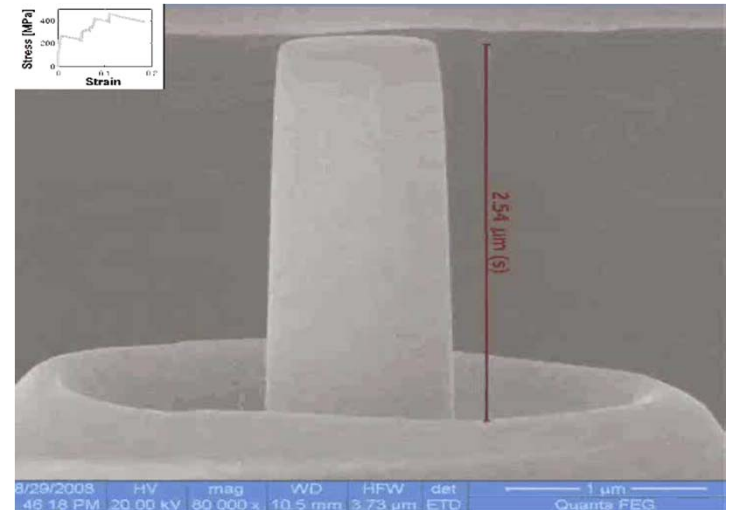
# Introduction: Mean-Field Theory of Serrated Flow

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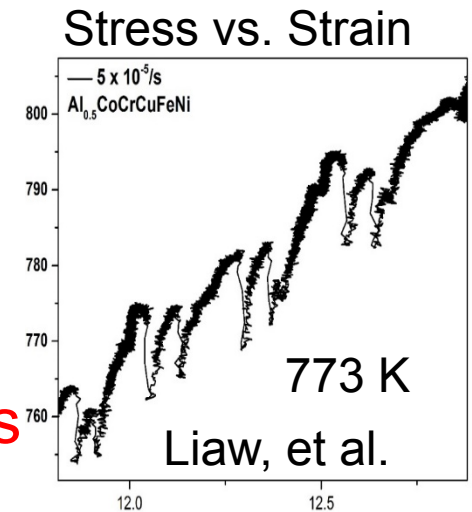


# Our Simple Analytic Model of Plasticity

(KD, Ben-Zion, Uhl, PRL 2009, Nature Physics 2011)

## One Tuning Parameter:

- Weakening  $\varepsilon$
- Applied to Crystals, Bulk Metallic Glasses, HEAs



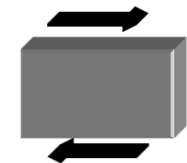
## Two Experimentally Relevant Loading Conditions:

- Slow strain-rate loading condition:
- Slow stress-rate loading condition

Strain-rate  $v$



Stress  $F$



## EXACT Predictions in 2 and 3 Dimensions (no fitting)

- Histograms of slip-sizes, durations, power spectra, ...
- Brittle ( $\varepsilon > 0$ ), ductile ( $\varepsilon = 0$ ), & hardening materials ( $\varepsilon < 0$ )

Predictions agree with first experiments,  
Many predictions for future experiments...

# Coarse grained model for slip evolution in heterogeneous medium:

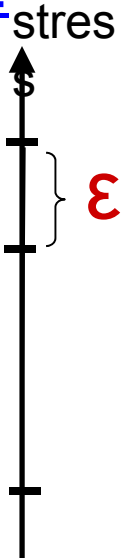
$$\eta \partial u(\mathbf{r}, t) / \partial t = F + \sigma_{\text{int}}(\mathbf{r}, t) - f_R[u, r, \text{history}]$$

Slip velocity  $\sim$  stress + interaction + Pinning due to heterogeneities

Failure stress

Weakened failure stress

Arrest stress



Interaction:

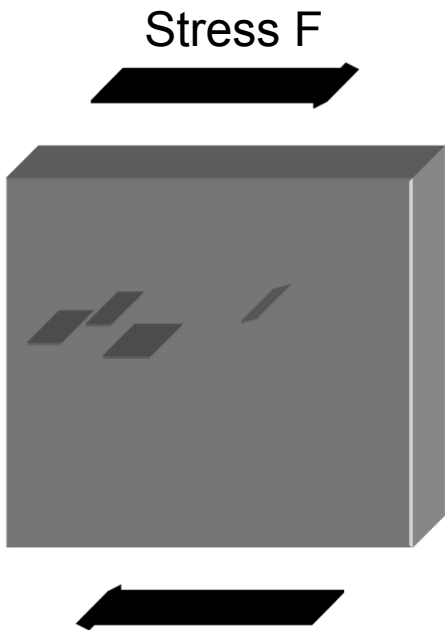
$$\sigma_{\text{int}}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \int d^d r' J(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}', t-t') \times [u(\mathbf{r}', t') - u(\mathbf{r}, t)]$$

Renormalization Group:

Interaction long range  $\int dt J(\mathbf{r}, t)$

→ MEAN FIELD THEORY:

Exact Results !



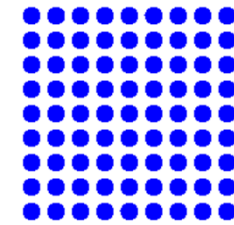
Related models: Chen, Bak, Obukhov (PRA 1991), Zaiser, Adv. of Phys, 55, 185-245 (2006).



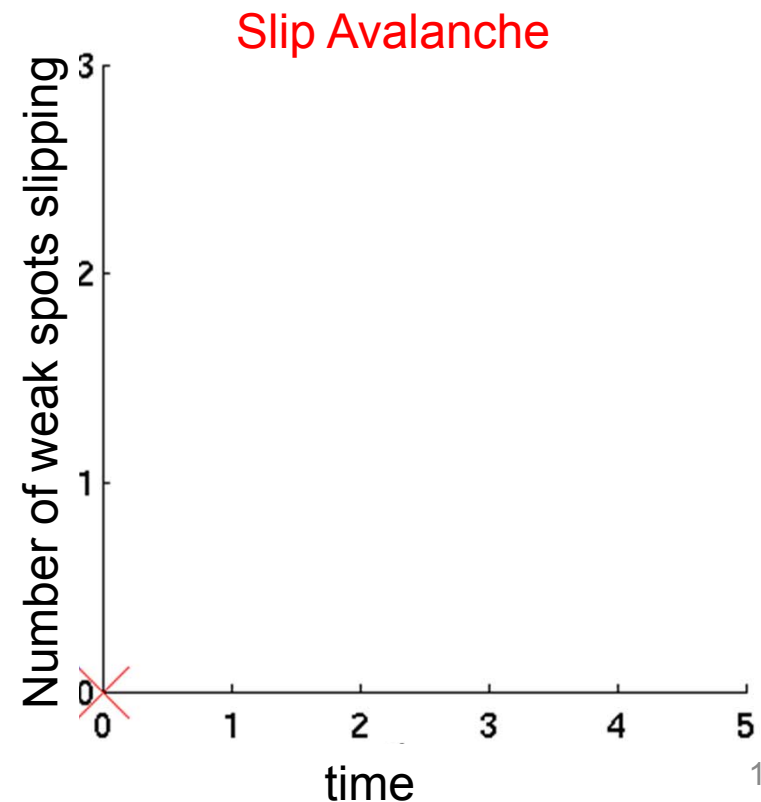
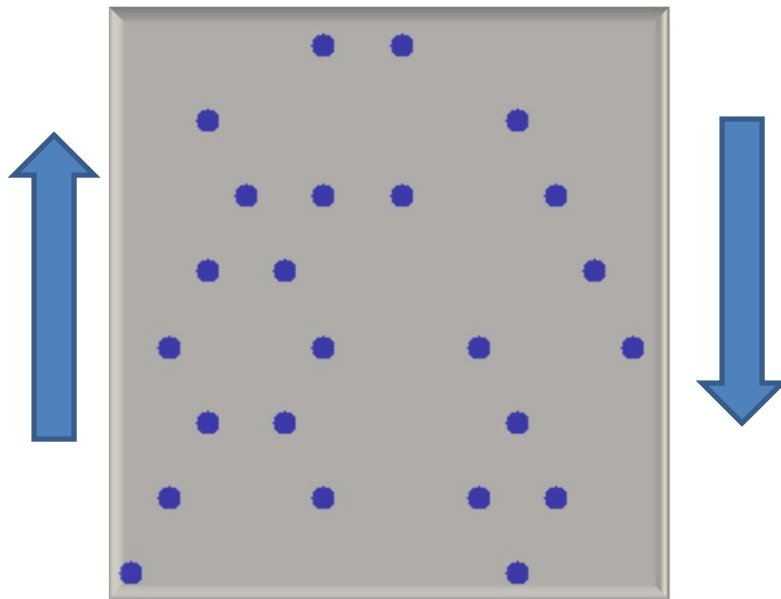
# Main Idea of the simple model:

Shear material:

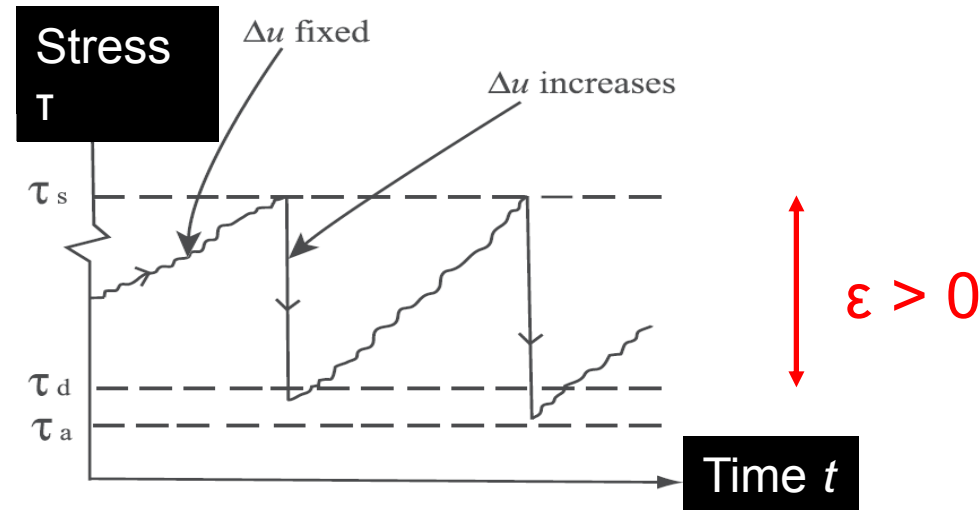
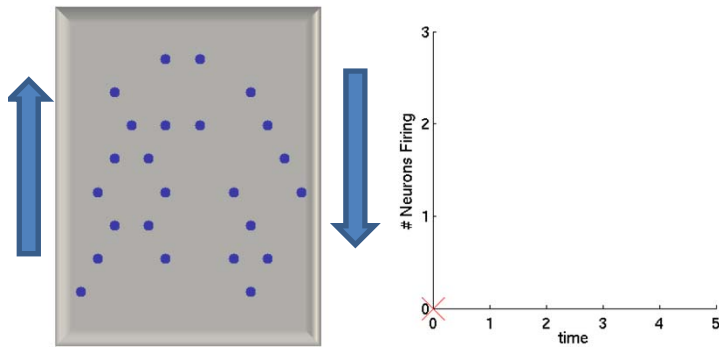
1. Weak spot slips → triggers other weak spots to slip  
Slip Avalanche



2. Repeat



# COARSE GRAINED Threshold pinning ( $f_R[u, r, \text{history}]$ )



$$\epsilon = (\tau_s - \tau_d) / \tau_s = \text{dynamic weakening}$$

weakening ( $\epsilon > 0$ )

during failure avalanche:

failed regions get weakened by  $O(\epsilon)$

reheal to old strength after avalanche

hardening ( $\epsilon < 0$ )

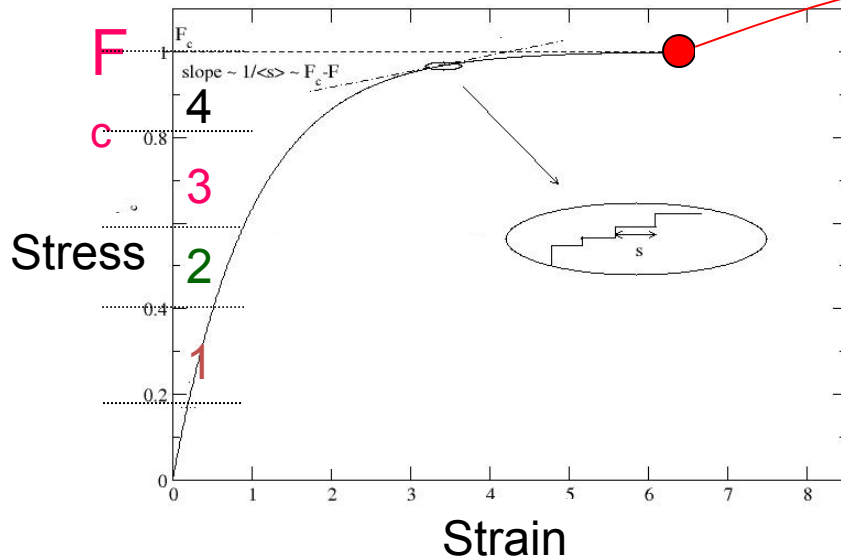
each failure event raises failure threshold by  $\sim |\epsilon|$ ,

used to model aftershocks

(Mehta, KD, Ben-Zion, PRE 2006)

# Results for $\epsilon = 0$ for Slowly-Increasing Stress Loading Conditions

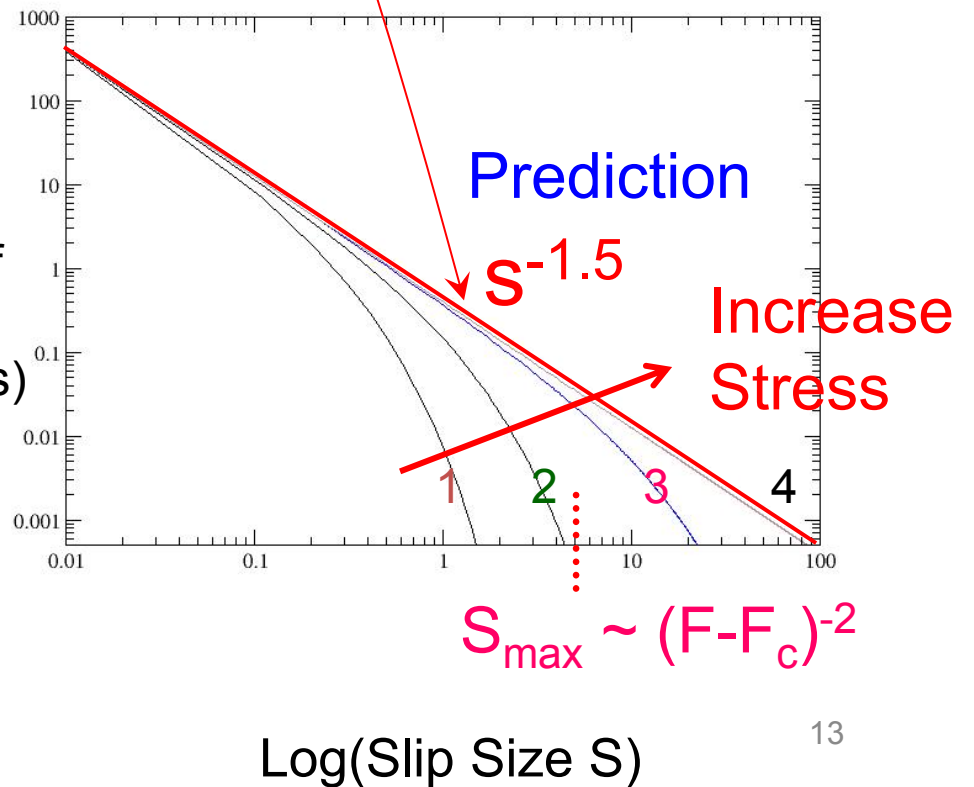
Stress-Strain Curve (Ductile)



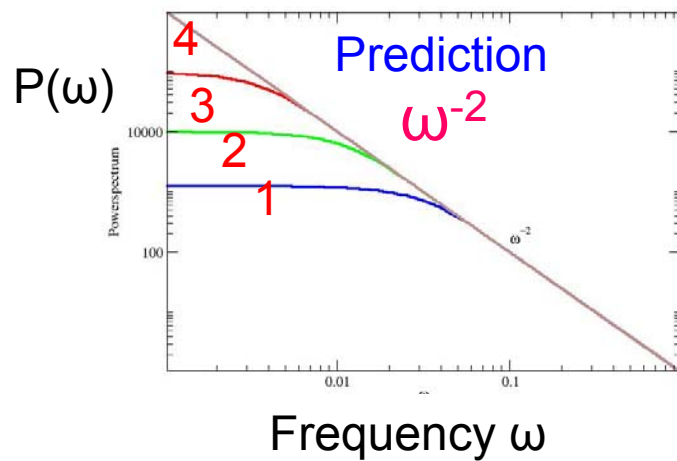
**No Fitting Parameters!**

**Critical Point**

Slip Avalanche Size Distribution:



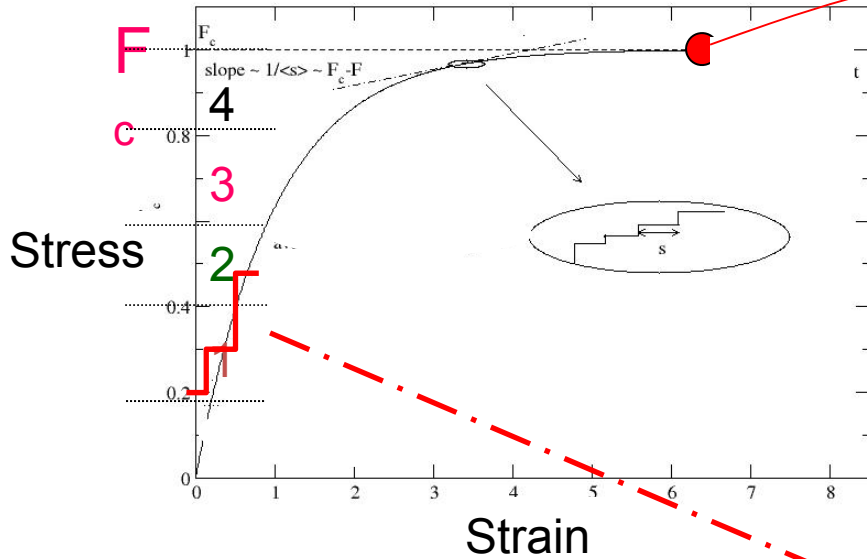
Power-Spectrum



$\log(D(s))$   
(Number of  
Slip  
Avalanches)

# Results for $\epsilon = 0$ for Fixed Stress Loading Conditions

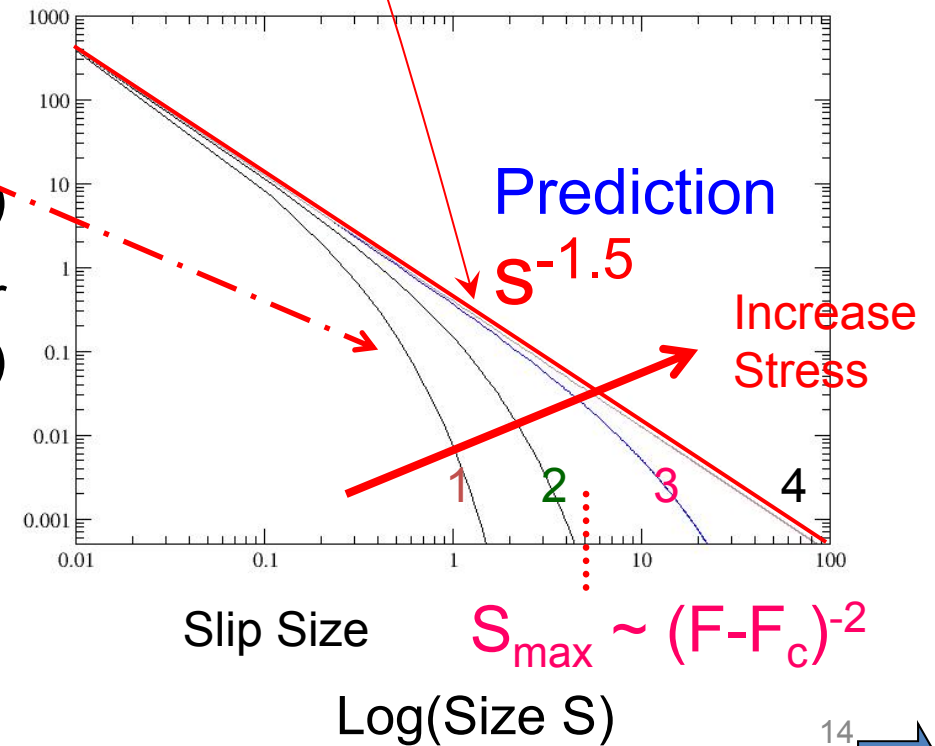
Stress-Strain Curve (Ductile)



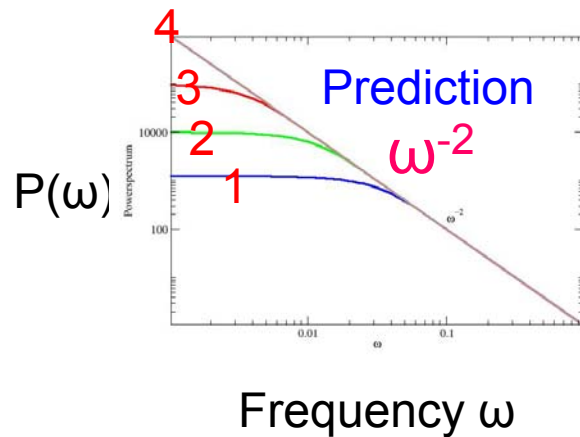
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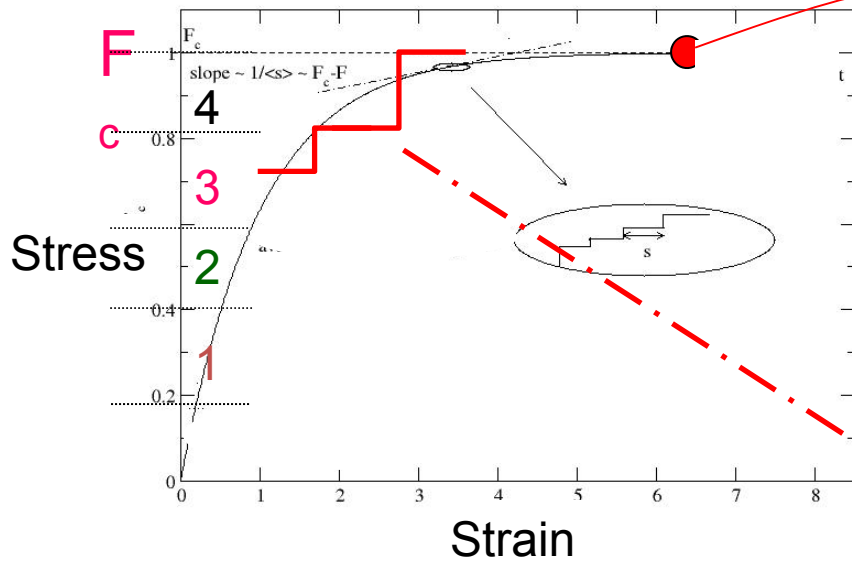
Power-Spectrum



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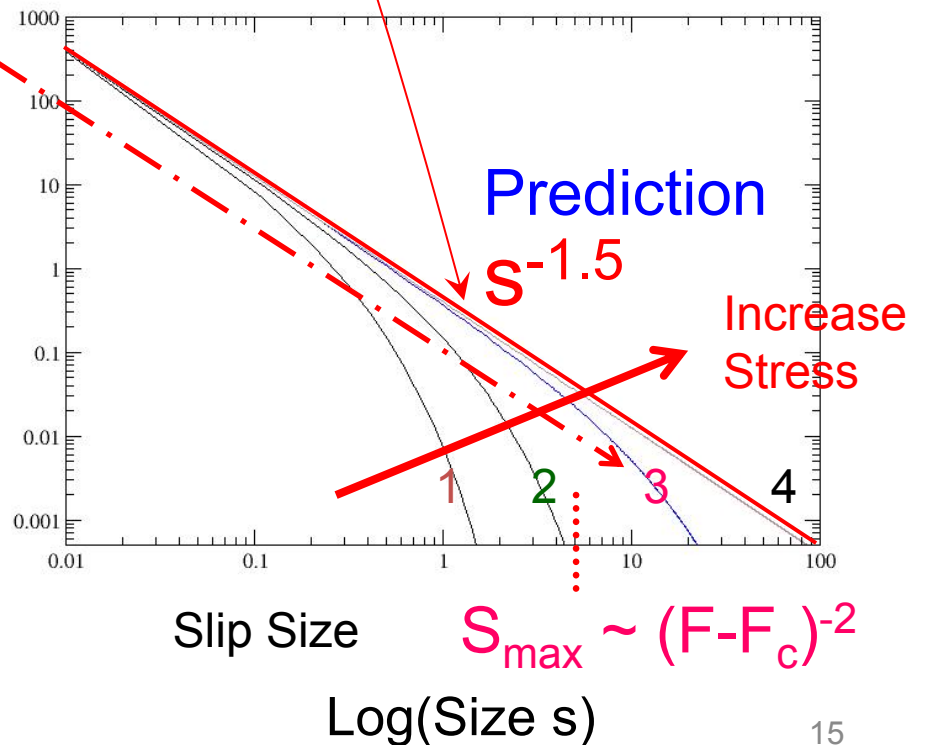
Stress-Strain Curve (ductile)

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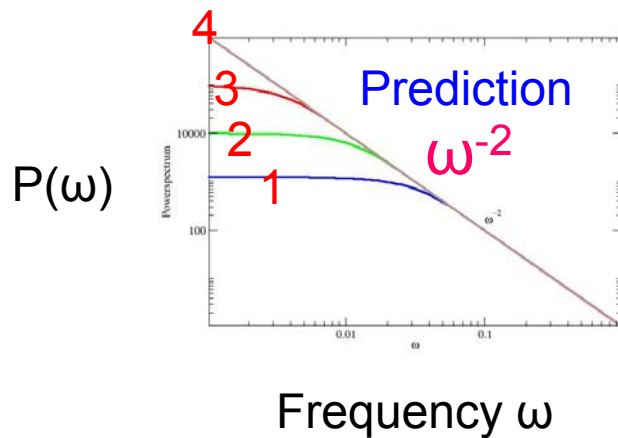


Critical Point

Slip Avalanche Size Distribution:



Power-Spectrum

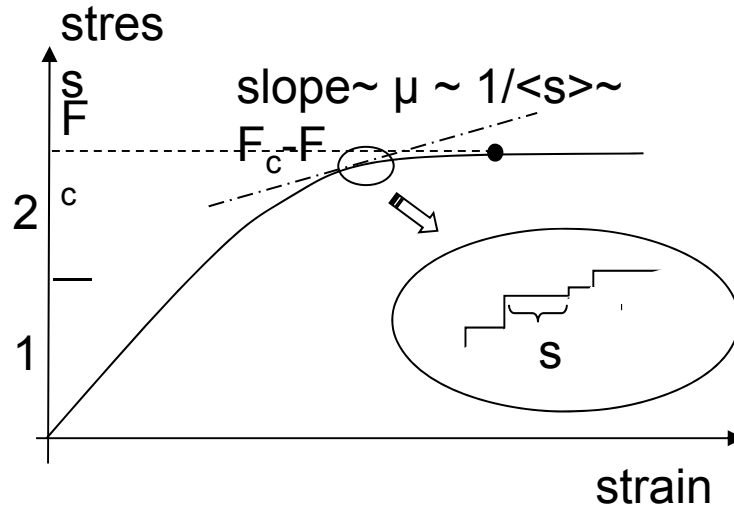


$\log(D(s))$   
(Number of Slips)

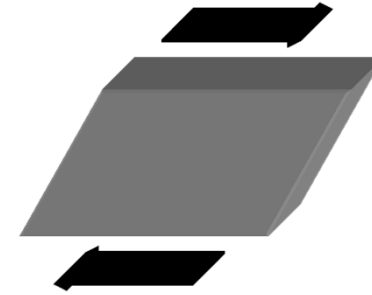


## Predictions without weakening (“ductile”)

( $\epsilon = 0$ ):

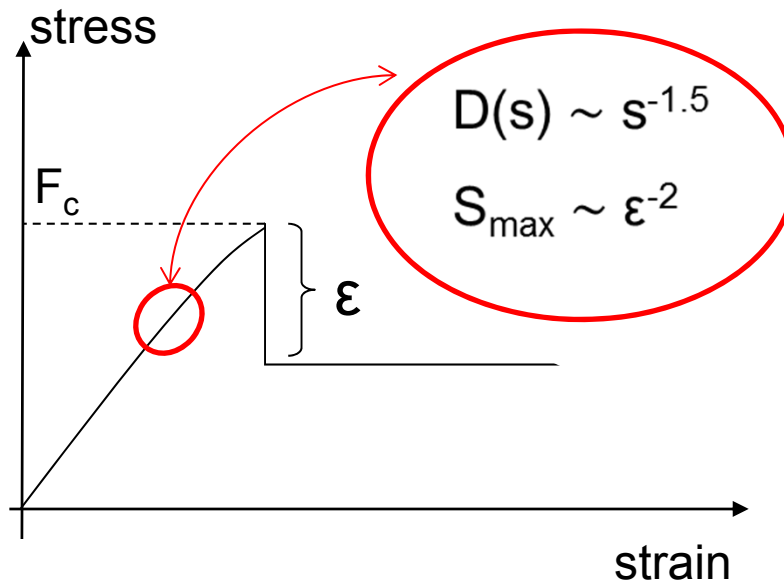


cont. depinning transition  
and distributed slip

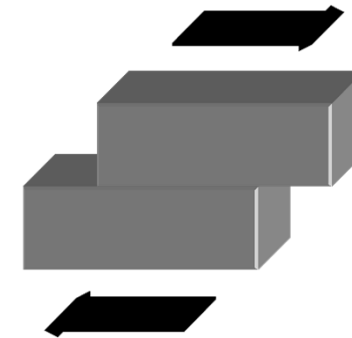


## Predictions with weakening (“brittle”)

( $\epsilon > 0$ ):

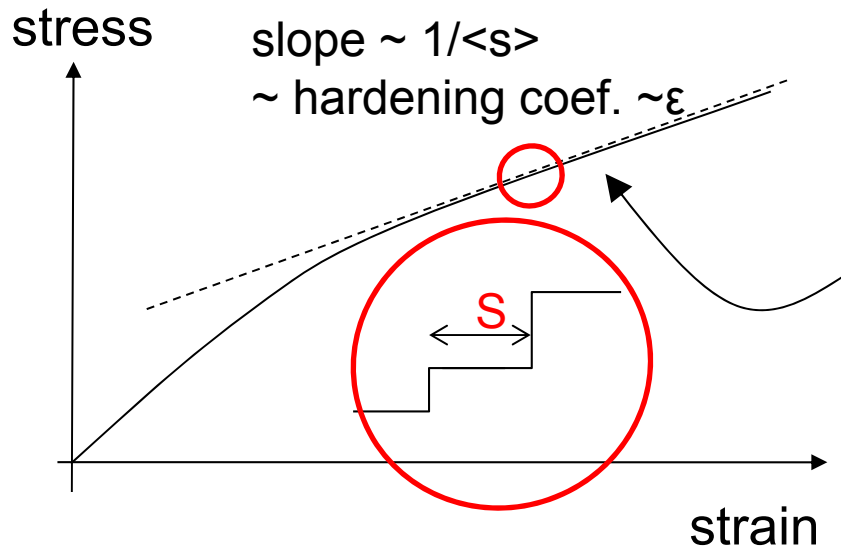


first order depinning transition  
and slip localization





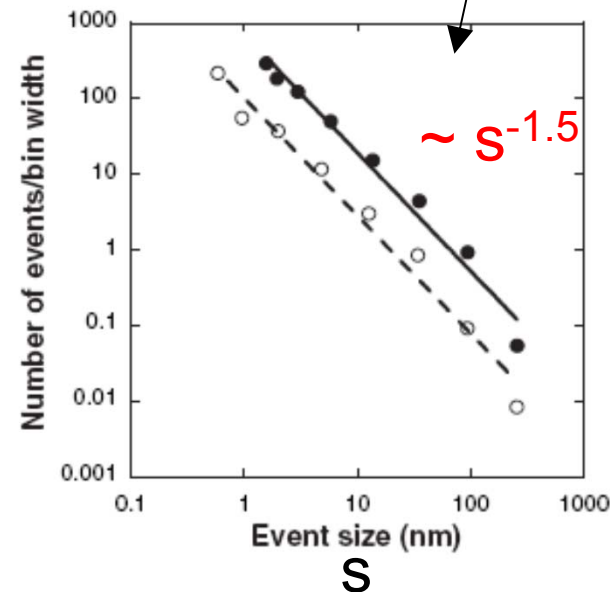
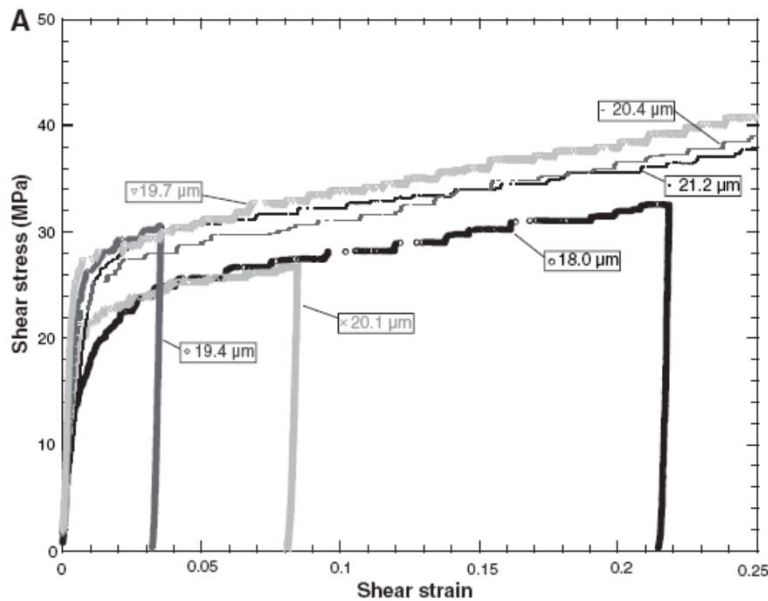
# Stress strain curve in the presence of hardening (“ductile”): ( $\epsilon < 0$ )



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} D(s) \sim s^{-1.5} \\ P(\omega) \sim \omega^{-2} \\ D(T) \sim T^{-2} \\ \text{etc.} \\ \text{distributed} \\ \text{deformation} \end{array} \right\}$$

No fitting parameters

Agrees with experiment

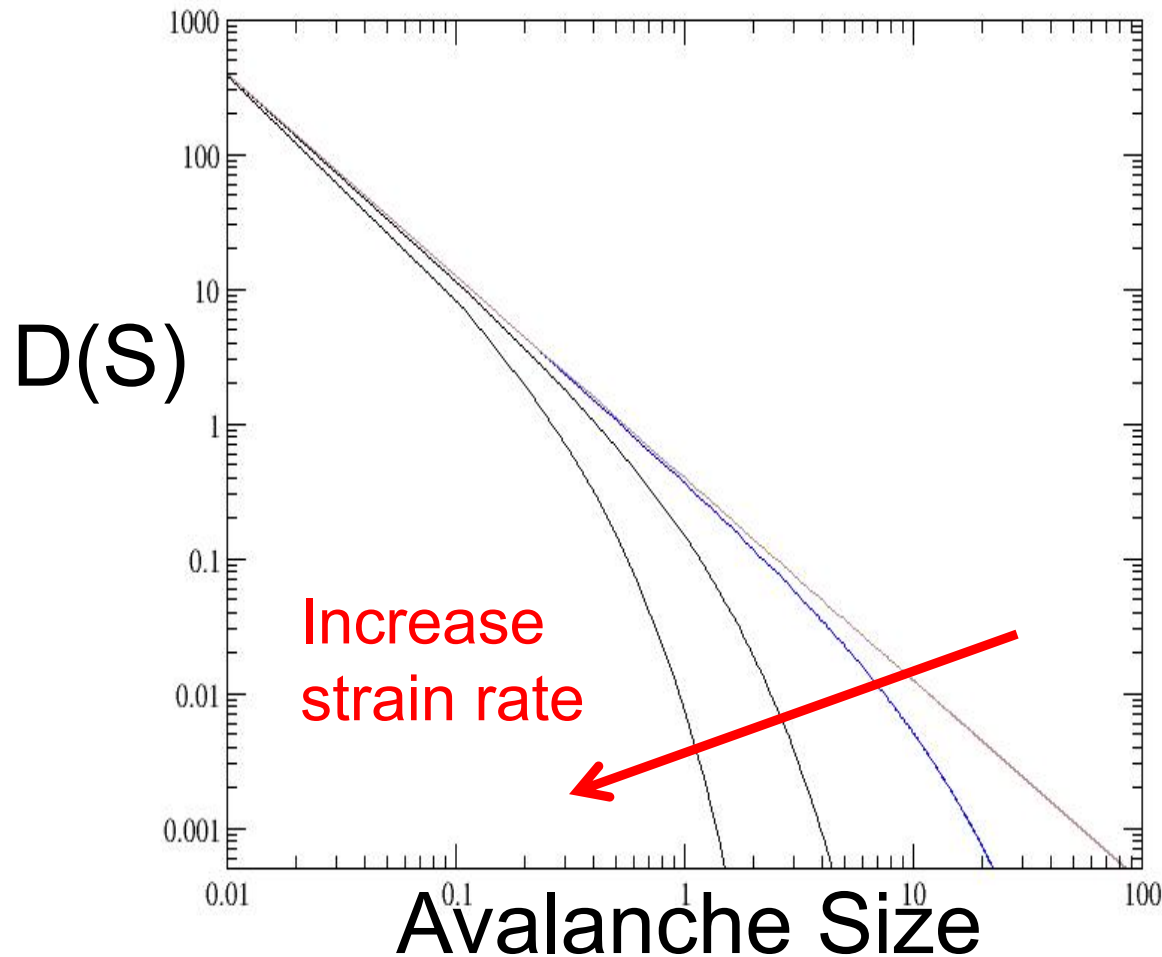


(Dennis M. Dimiduk, Chris Woodward, Richard LeSar, Michael D. Uchic. Science 2006)

Can we check the  
analytic mean field  
theory predictions with  
experiments ?

# Avalanche (Serration) Size Distributions at Different Strain Rates (Model Prediction)

$$D(S) \sim S^{-\tau} F(S \Omega^\lambda), \quad \tau = 1.5$$

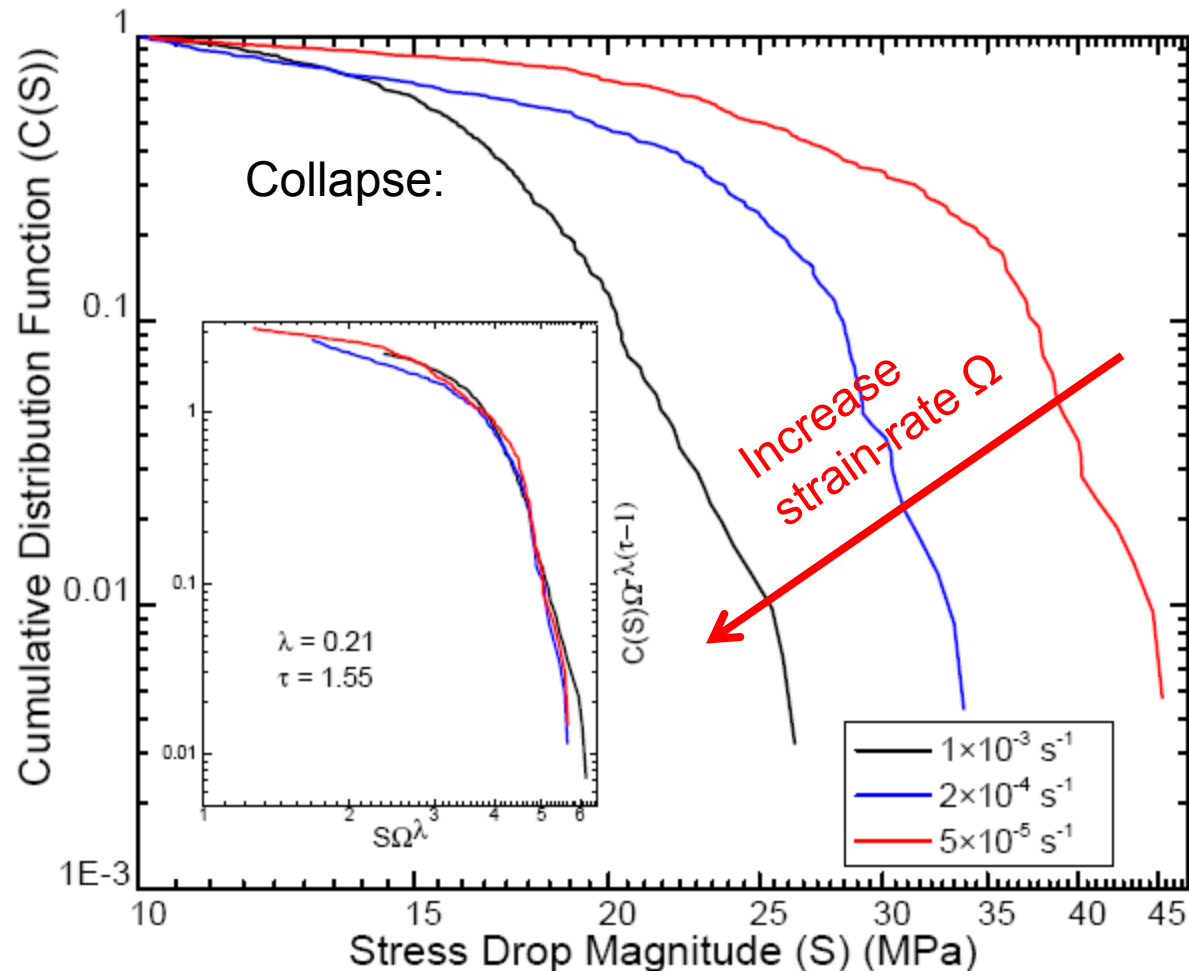


## BULK METALLIC GLASSES:

Junwei Qiao, Peter Liaw, Xie Xie:  $\text{Zr}_{64.13}\text{Cu}_{15.75}\text{Ni}_{10.12}\text{Al}_{10}$  ingots (2mm x 4mm)

James Antonaglia, KD: Comparison to model prediction for cumulative

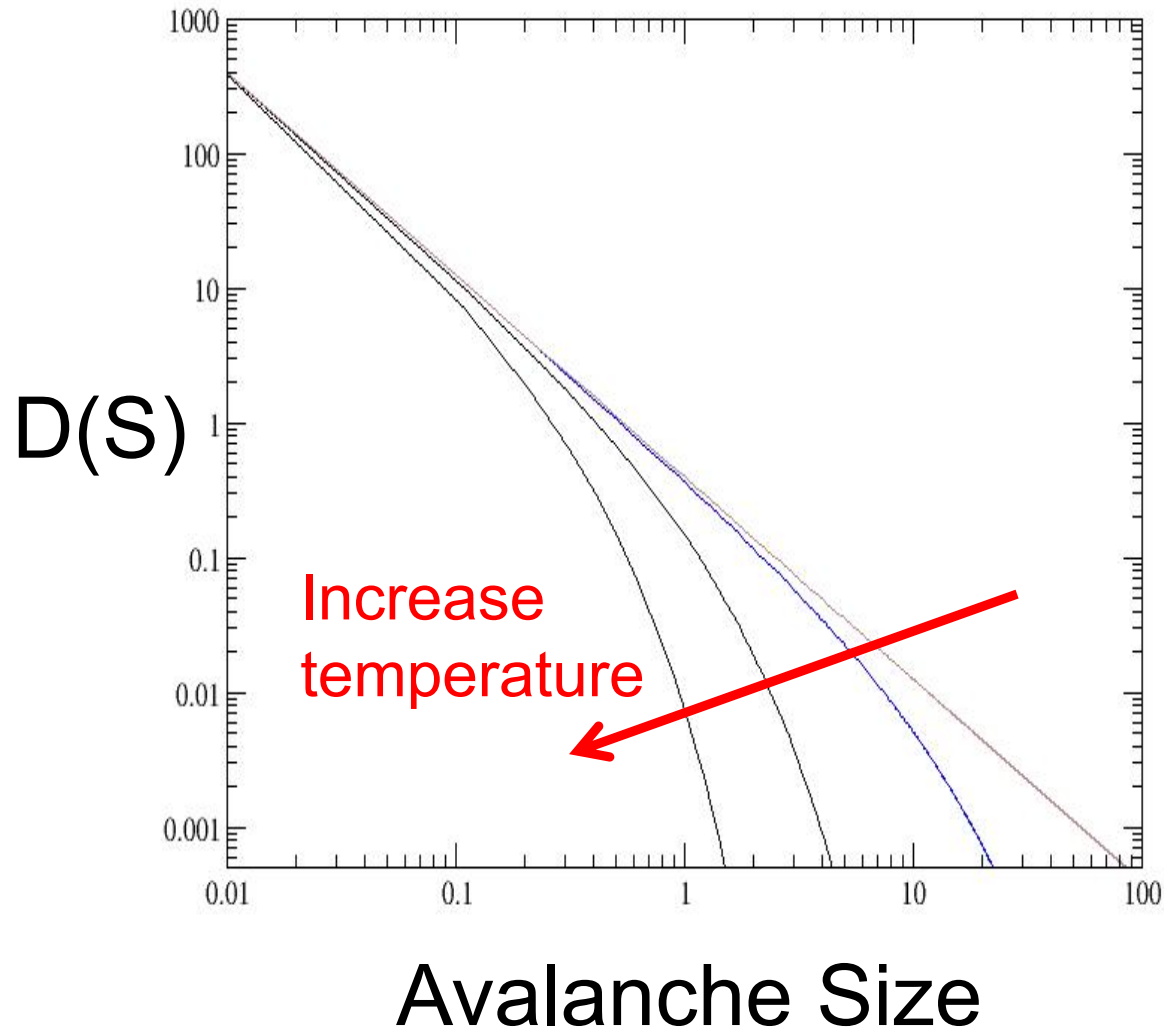
avalanche size distribution:  $C(S) \sim S^{-(\tau-1)} F(S \Omega^\lambda)$ ,  $\tau = 1.5$



[Antonaglia, Xie, Wraith,  
Qiao, Zhang, Liaw, Uhl,  
Dahmen,](#)

[Nature Scientific Reports  
4, 4382 \(2014\).](#)

# Avalanche (Serration) Size Distributions at Different Temperatures (Model Prediction)



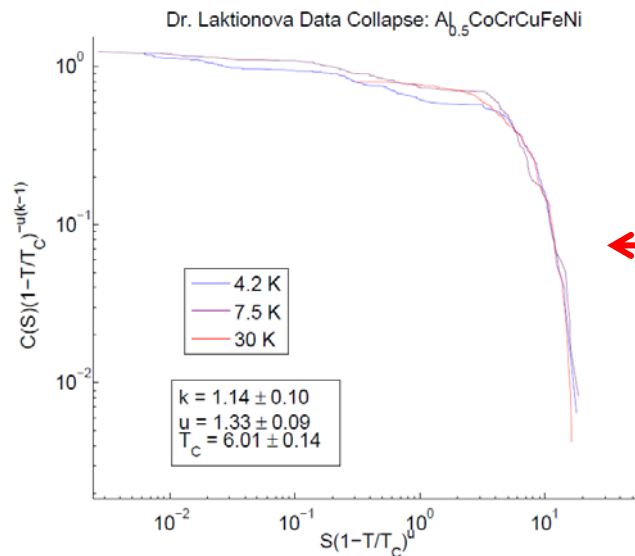
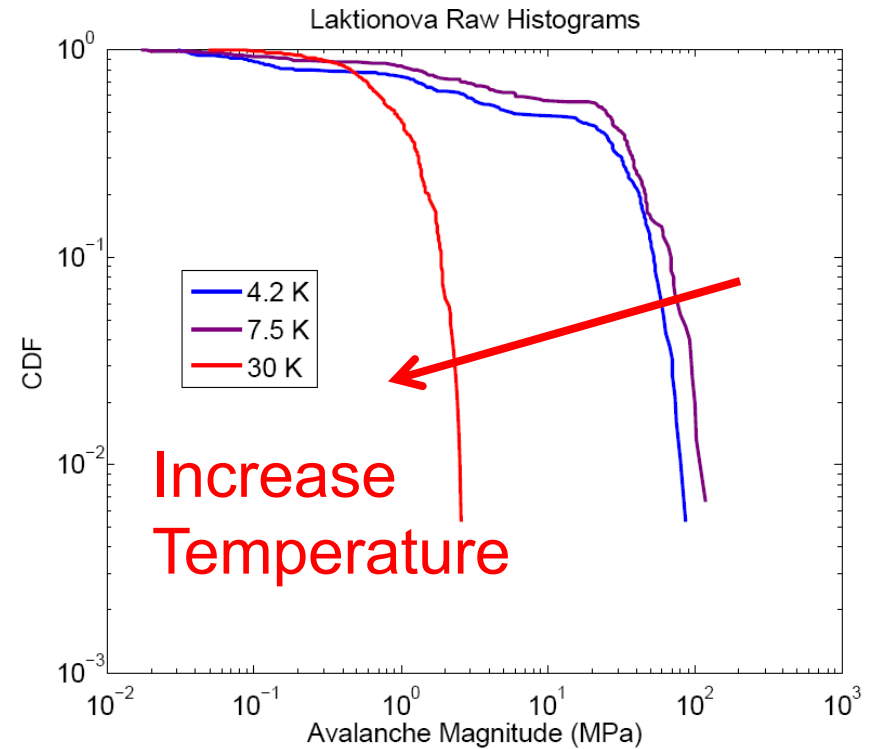
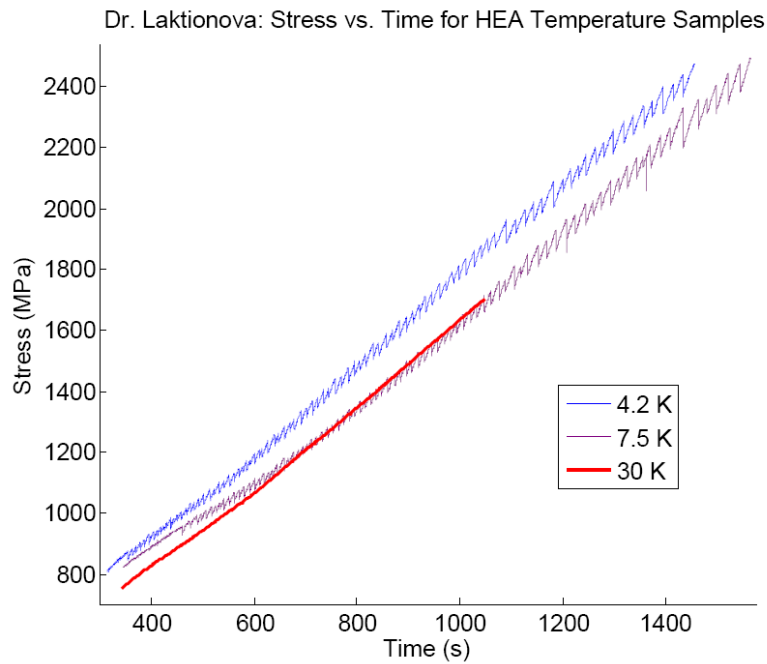
**Comparison to High-Entropy Alloys:**

**Microstructure Properties of High-Entropy Alloys**

**(Zhang, Zuo, Tang, Gao, KD, Liaw, Lu)**

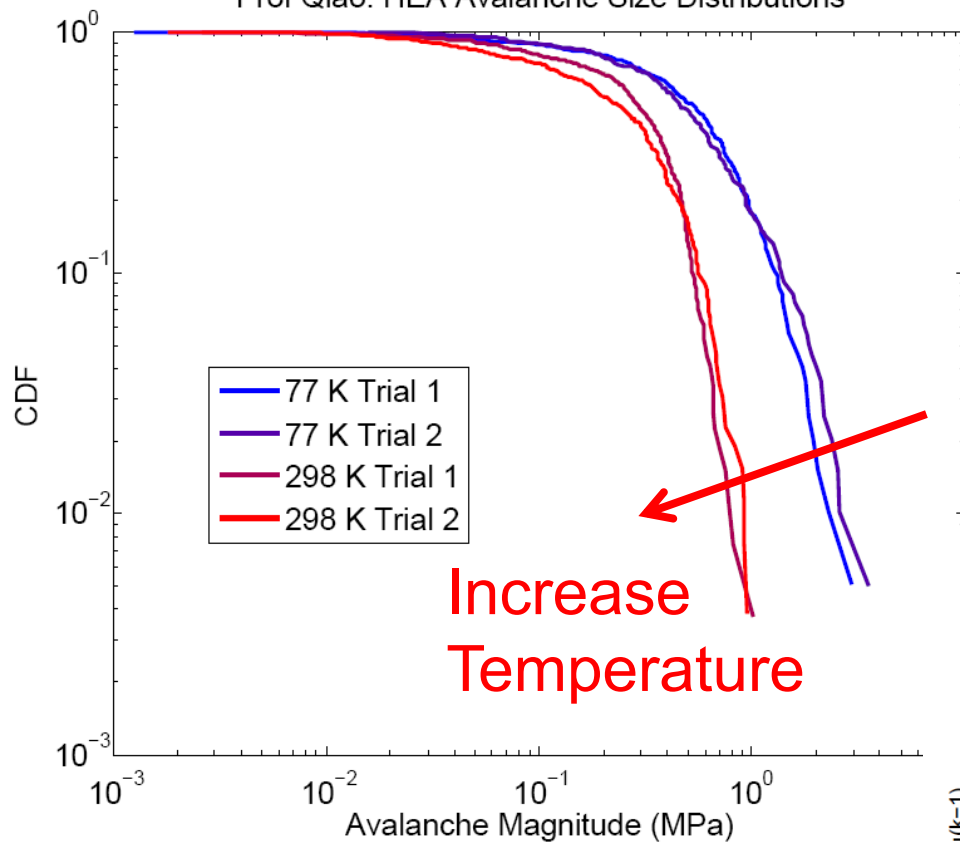
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# High Entropy Alloys: $\text{Al}_{0.5}\text{CoCrCuFeNi}$ (Laktionova)



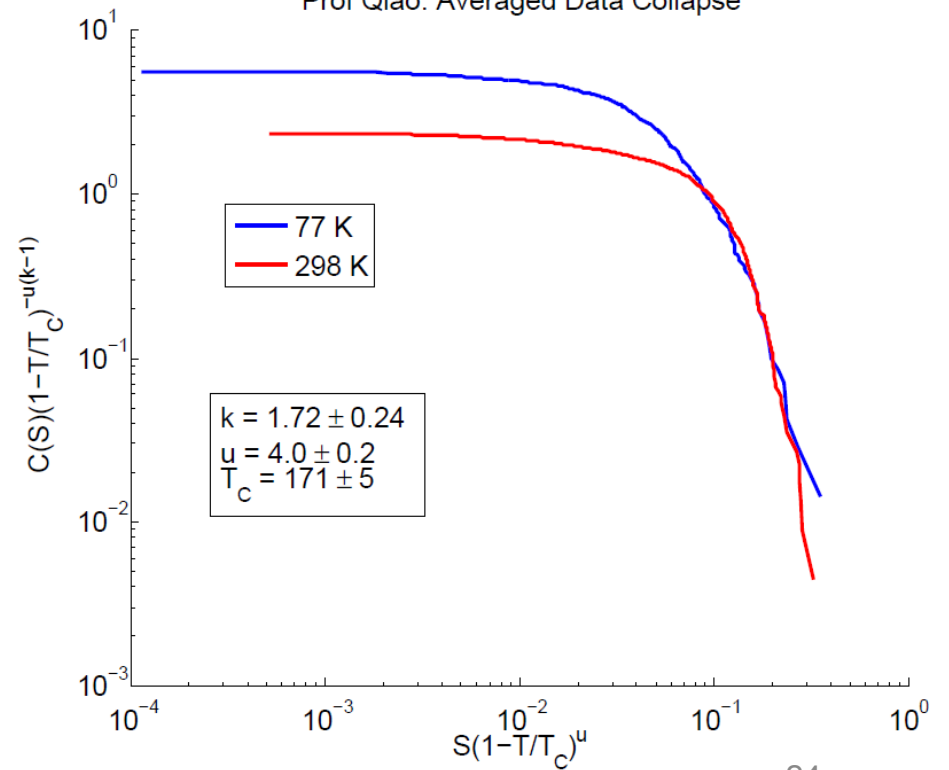
Curves Collapse,  
but need more  
data, especially  
at more  
temperatures

Prof Qiao: HEA Avalanche Size Distributions



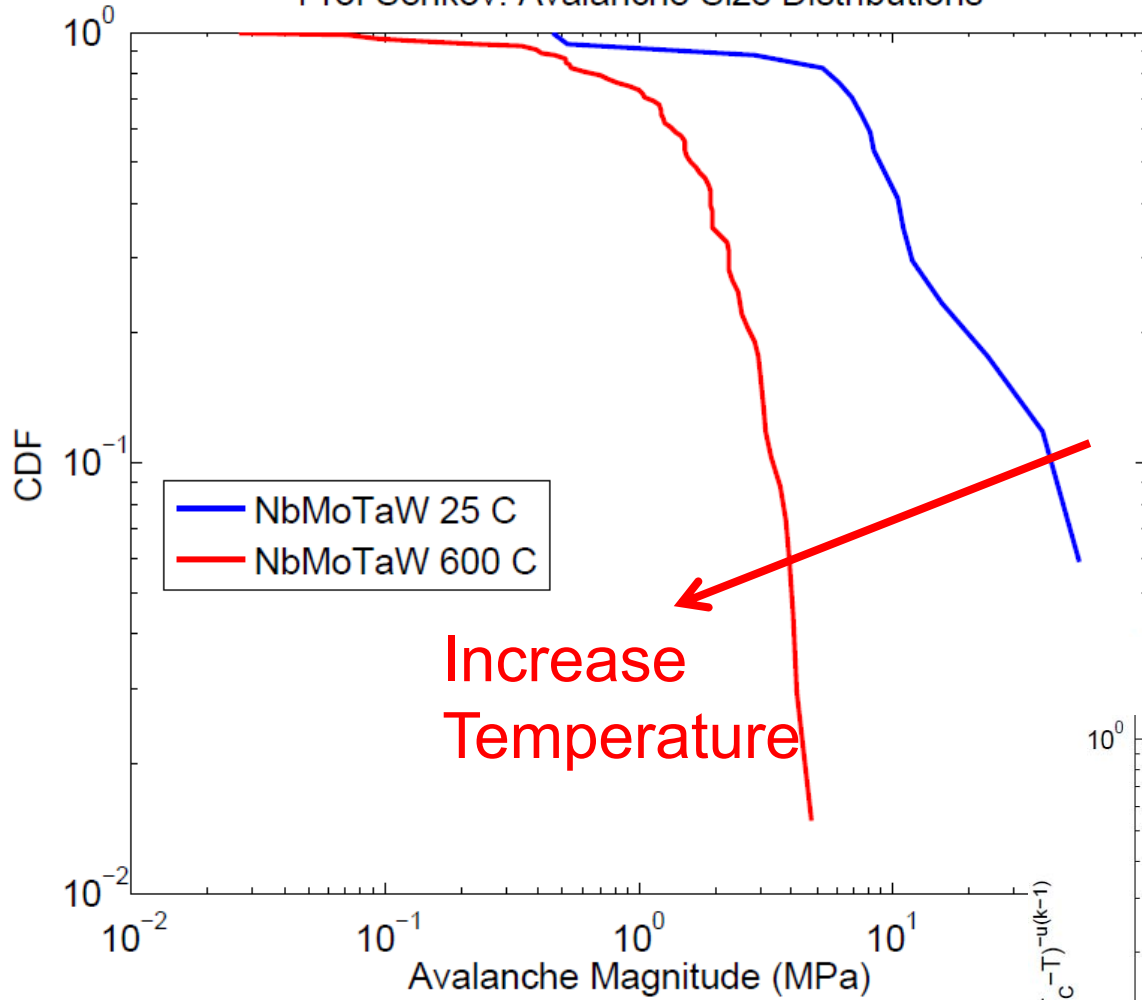
**Liaw, Qiao, Xie,**  
Antonaglia, KD  
**AlCoCrFeNi**

Prof Qiao: Averaged Data Collapse



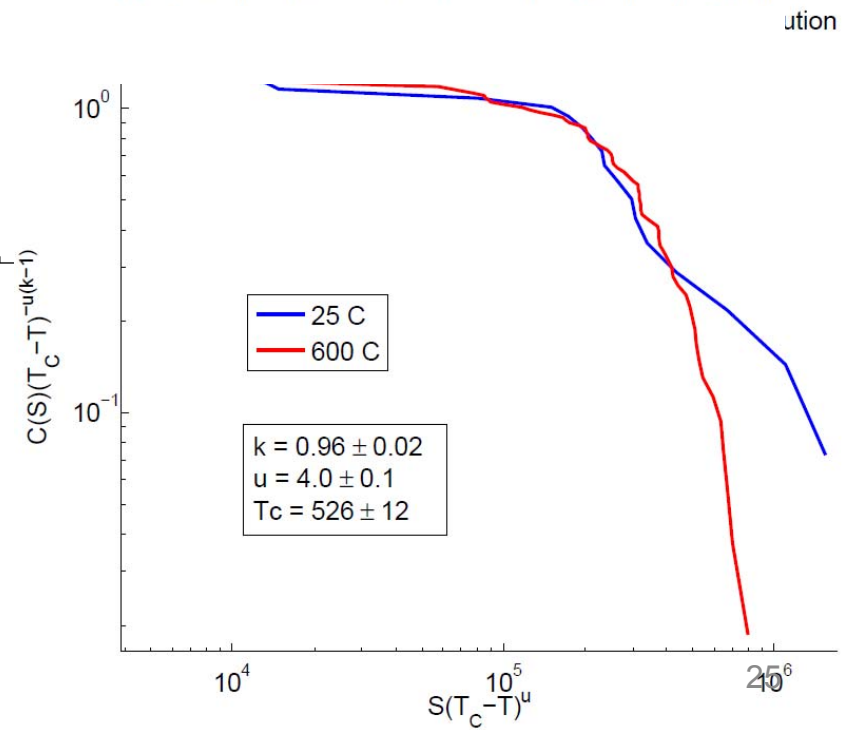


Prof Senkov: Avalanche Size Distributions

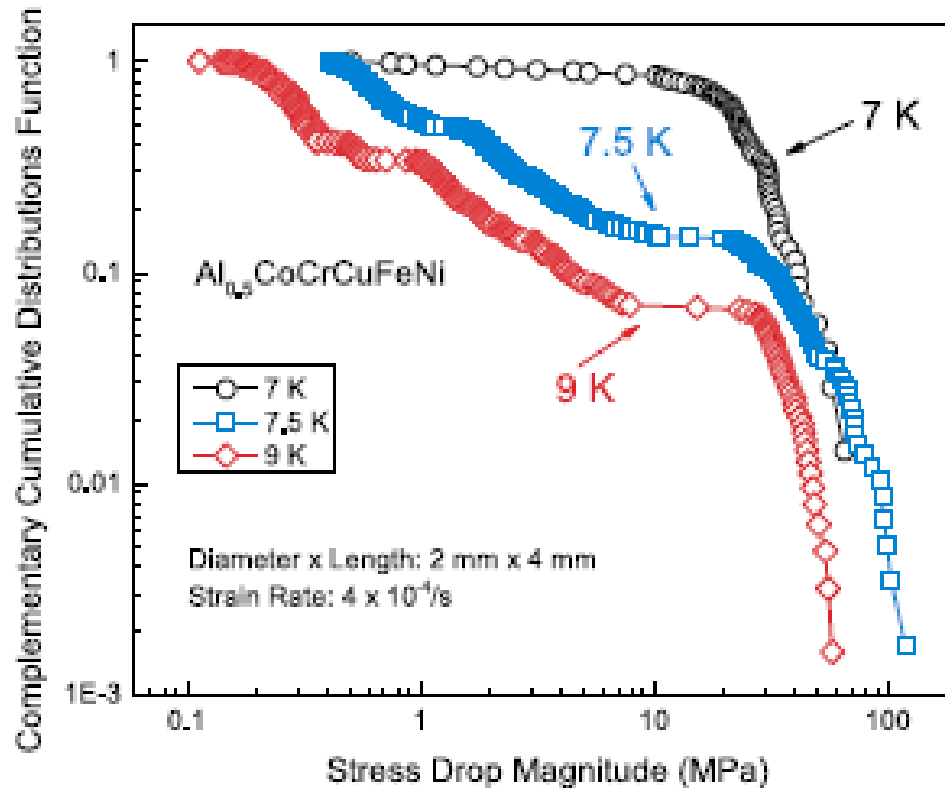


# Senkov: NbMoTaW

Collapse (?)  
More data at more  
temperatures will  
tell.



# Tool to Discover Transitions in Materials ?



Antonaglia, Xie, Tang, Tsai, Qiao, Zhang,  
Laktionova, Tabachnikova, Carroll, Yeh, Senkov,  
Gao, Uhl, Liaw, Dahmen, **JOM 66 (10), 2002 (2014)**.

# Experimental Results

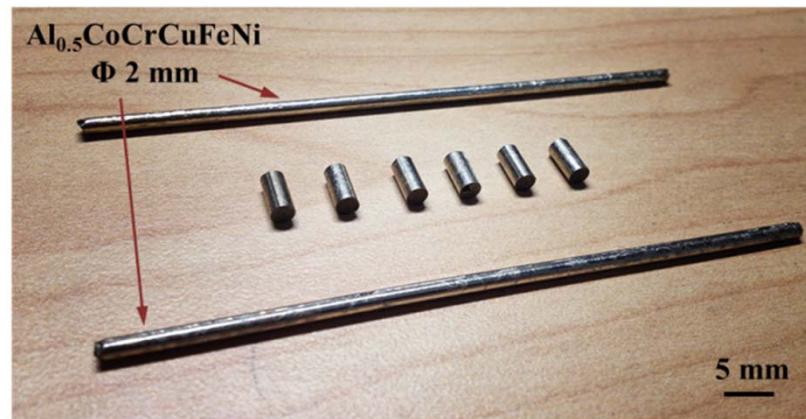
## Preparation of $\text{Al}_{0.5}\text{CoCrCuFeNi}$ Alloy

Al, Co, Cr, Cu, Fe, and Ni with purity higher than 99.9%

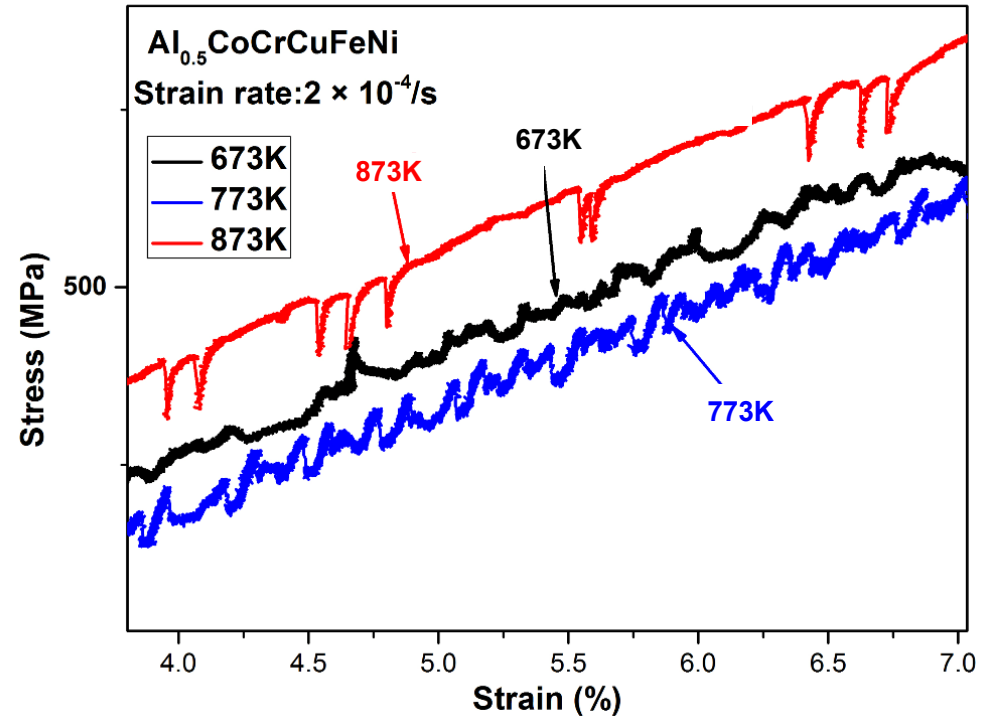
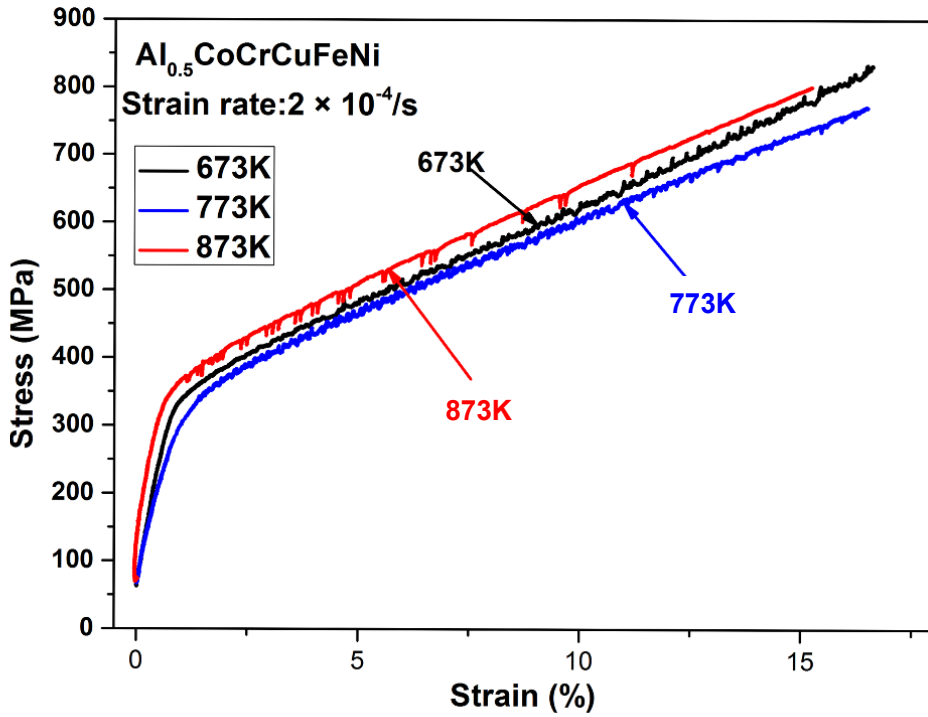
Arc-melting the mixtures and then drop-cast into a water-cooled copper mold with 2 mm in diameter.

Rods machined into specimens with 2 mm in diameter and 4 mm in length.

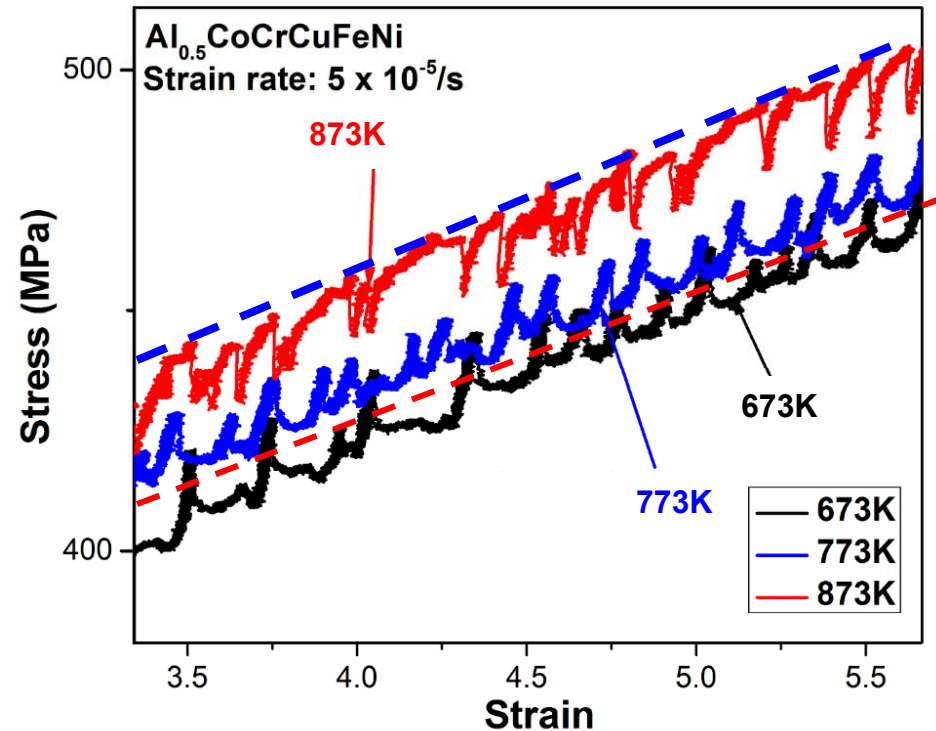
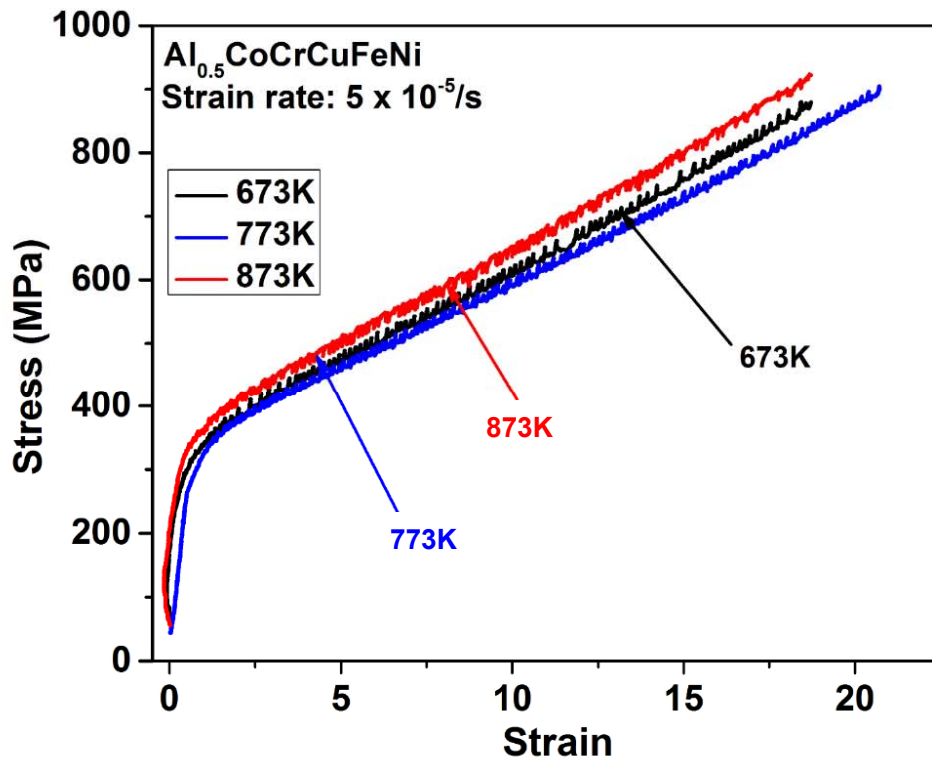
Compression tests conducted using the Materials Test System (MTS) servohydraulic-testing machine with displacement control



# Strain Rate of $2 \times 10^{-4}/s$ at Temperatures of 673K, 773K, and 873K



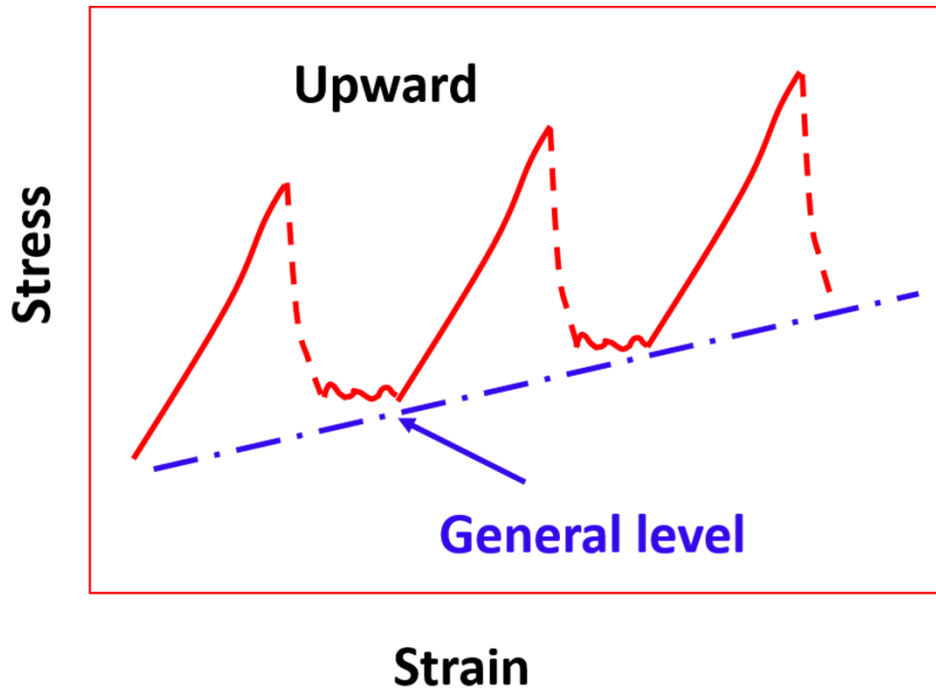
# Strain Rate of $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$ at Temperatures of 673K, 773K, and 873K



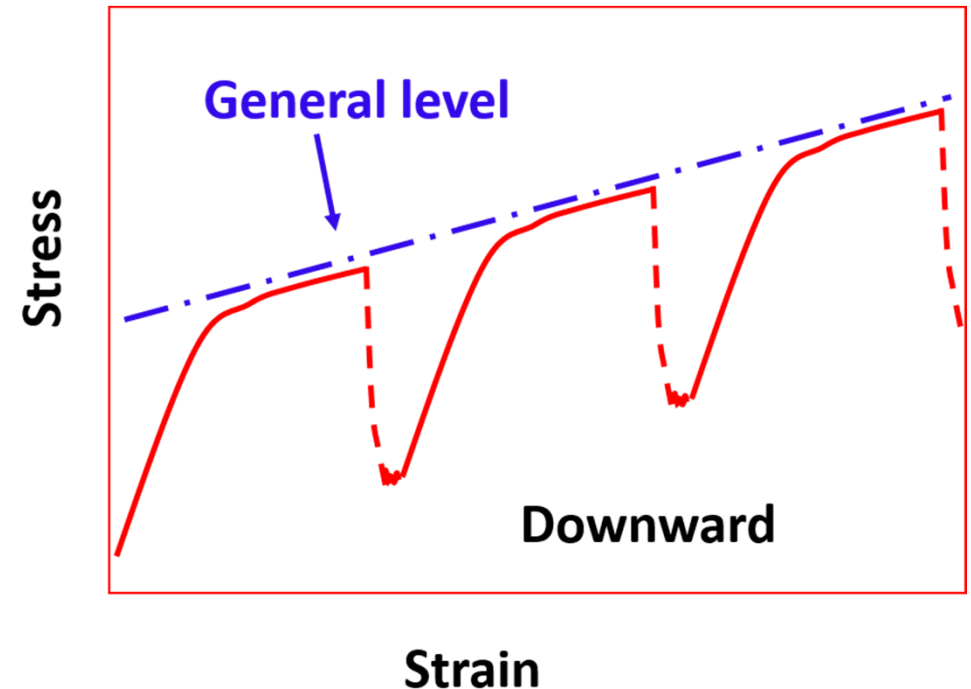
Serrations change from upward to downward direction when temperature increase, which are also observed in 5456 aluminum alloy tested at strain rate of  $5.4 \times 10^{-4}/s$  from 173K to 333K.

1. S. Fu, T. Cheng, Q. Zhang, Q. Hu, and P. Cao, Two mechanisms for the normal and inverse behaviors of the critical strain for the Portevin–Le Chatelier effect, 60, *Acta Materialia*, 2012. pp. 6650-6656.

## Illustration of Upward and Downward Directions of Serrations

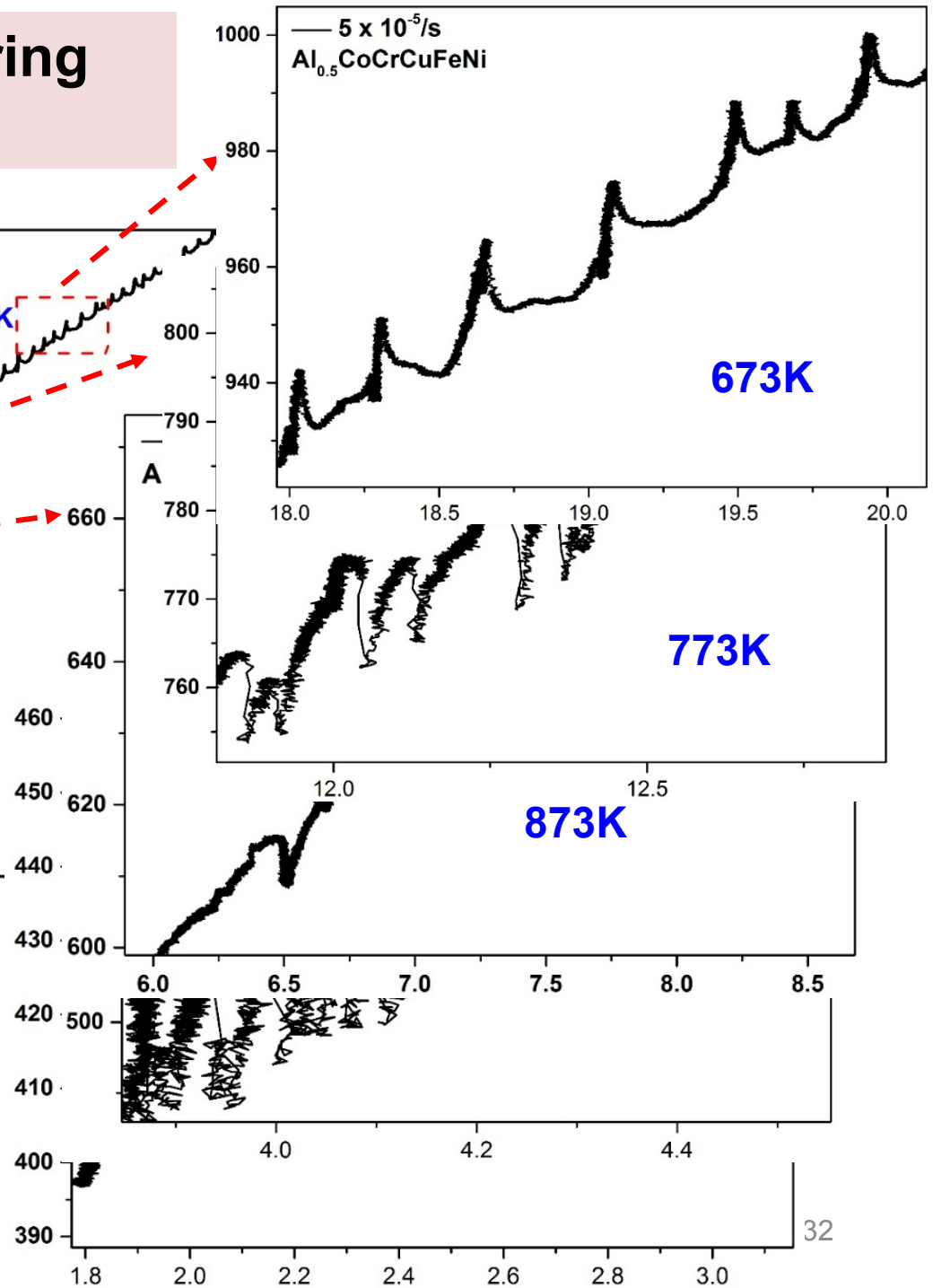
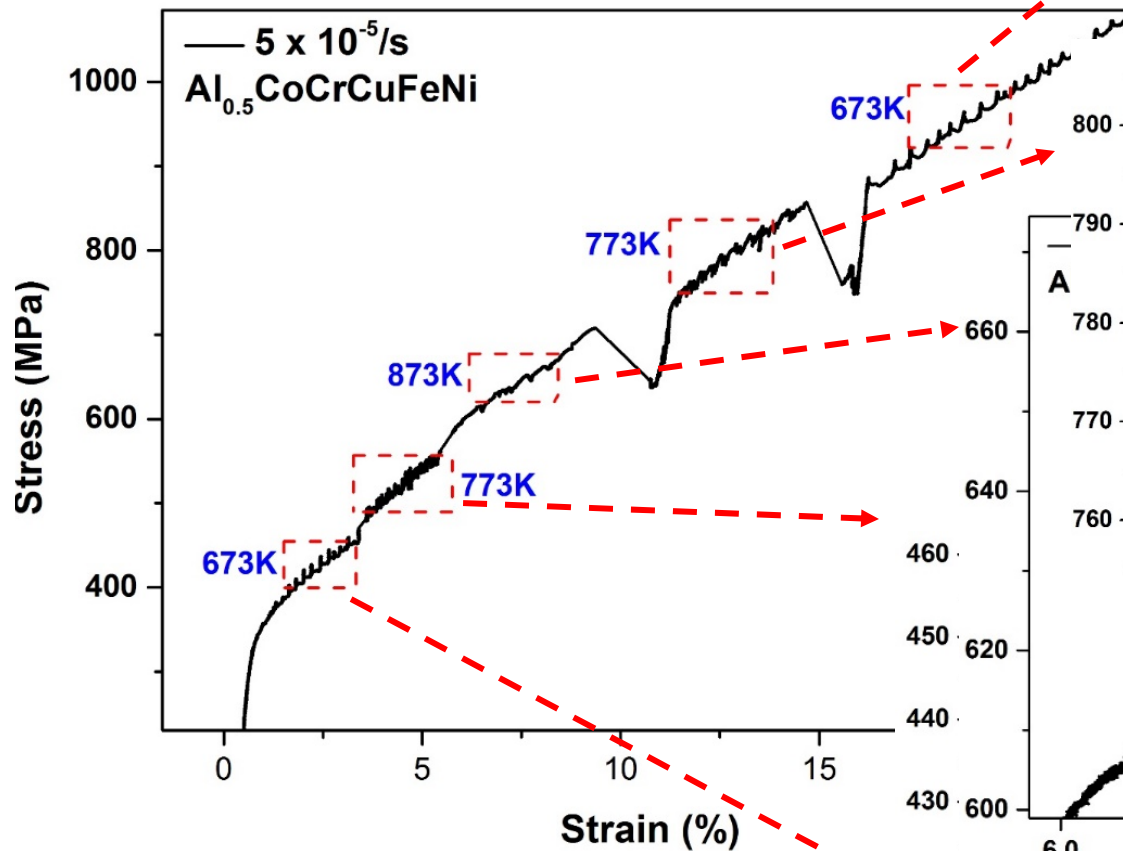


Low temperature



High temperature

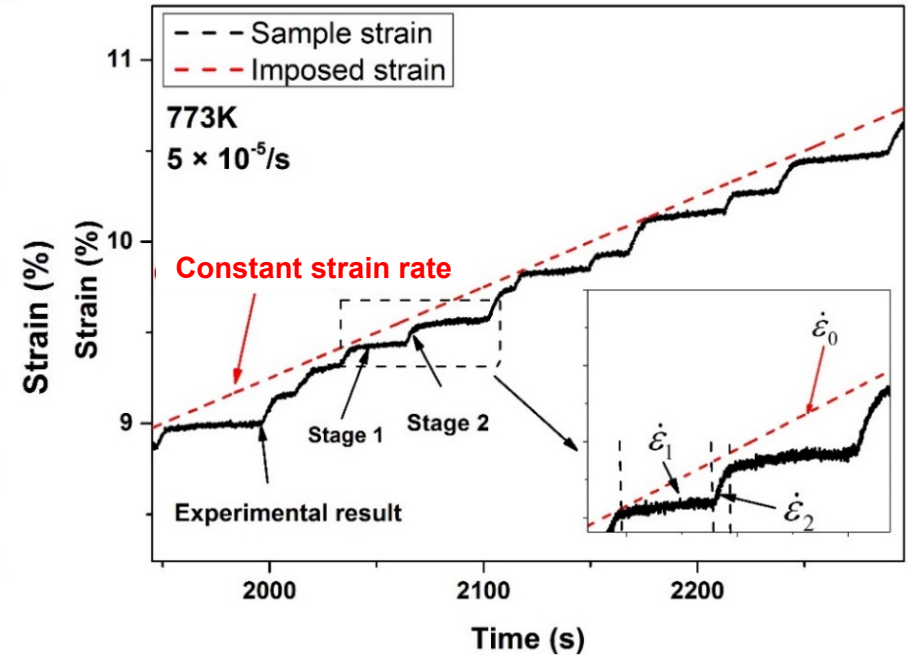
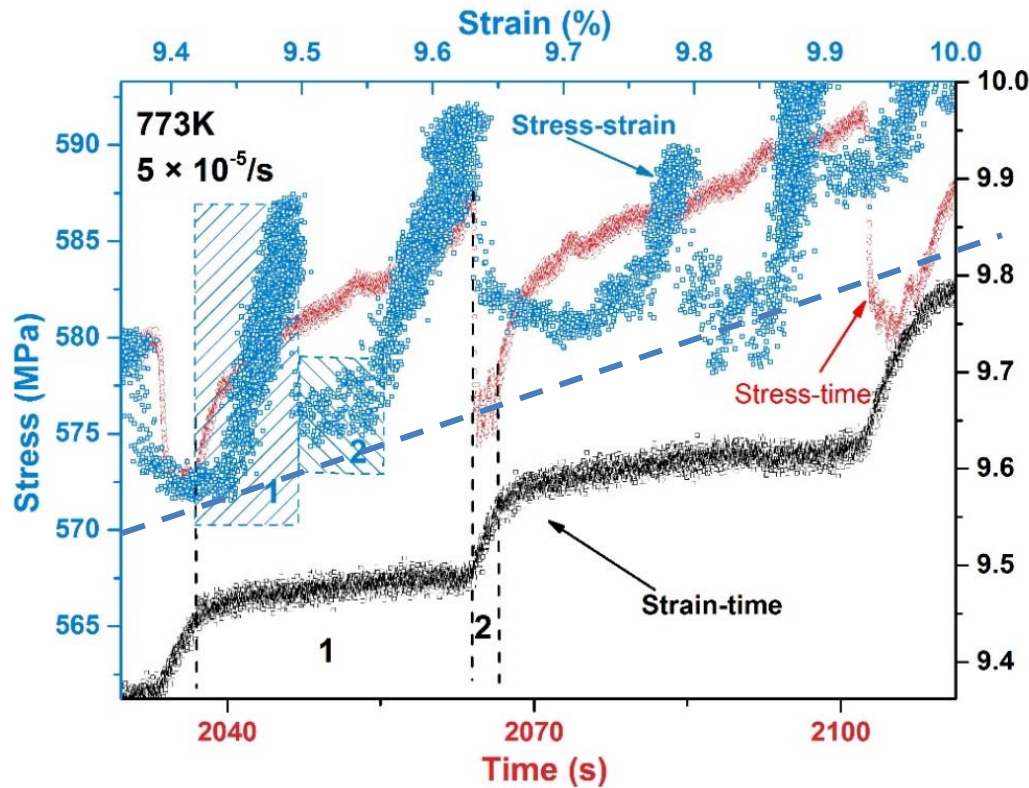
# Changing Temperatures During Compression Tests





# Explanation of Upward and Downward Serrations

At strain rate  $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$  with temperature of 773K



Interaction between the machine and samples

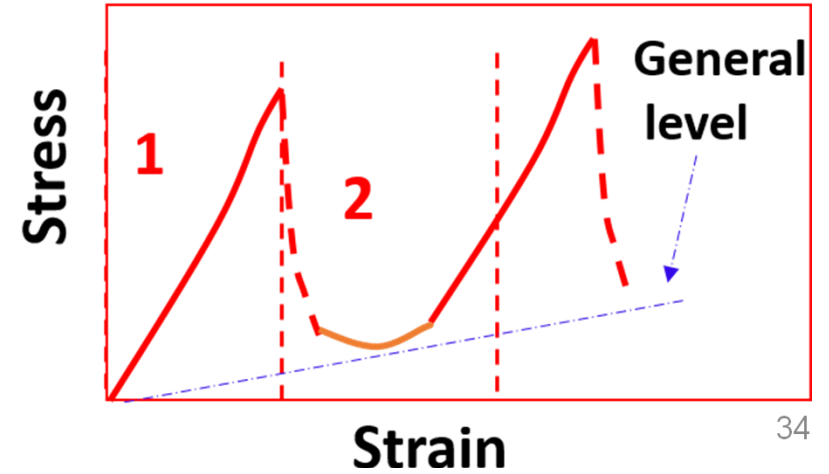
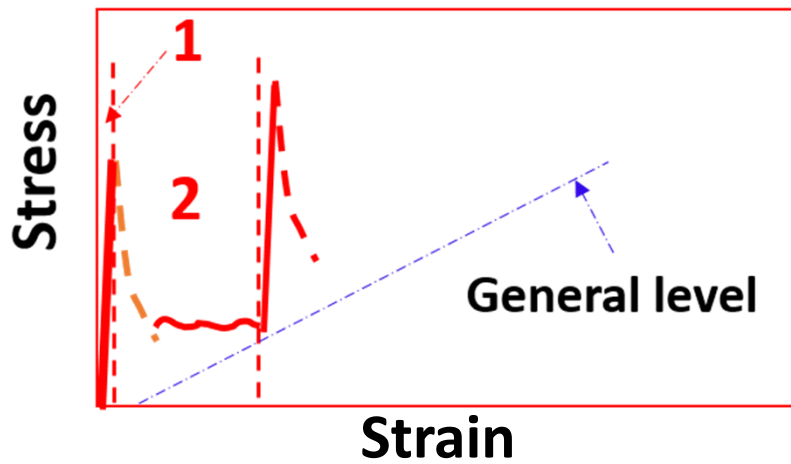
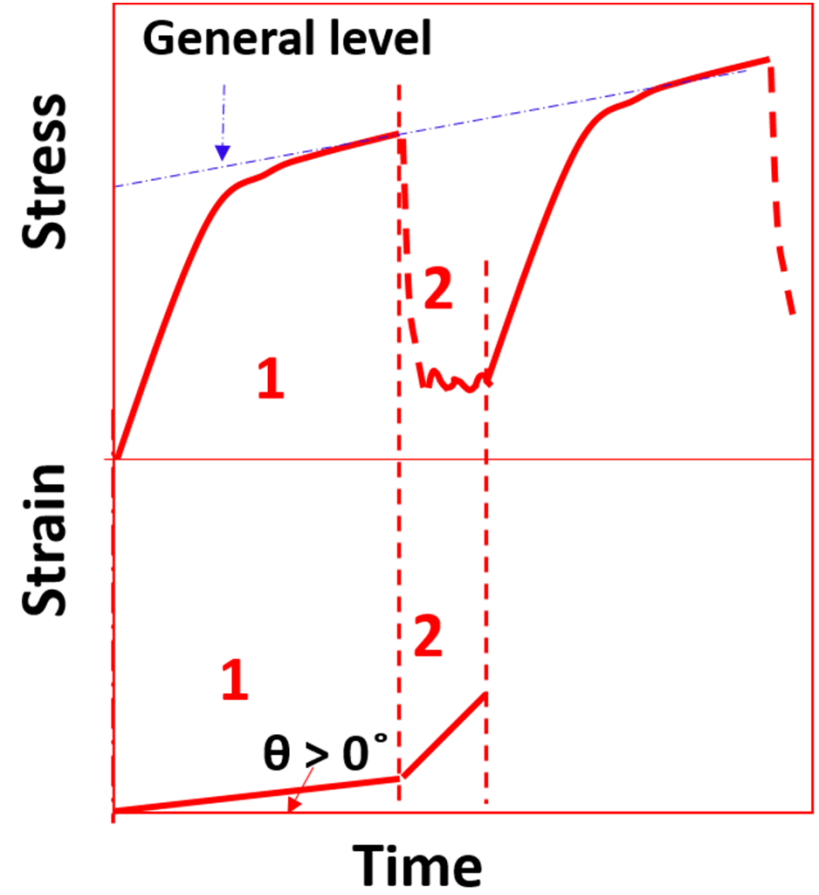
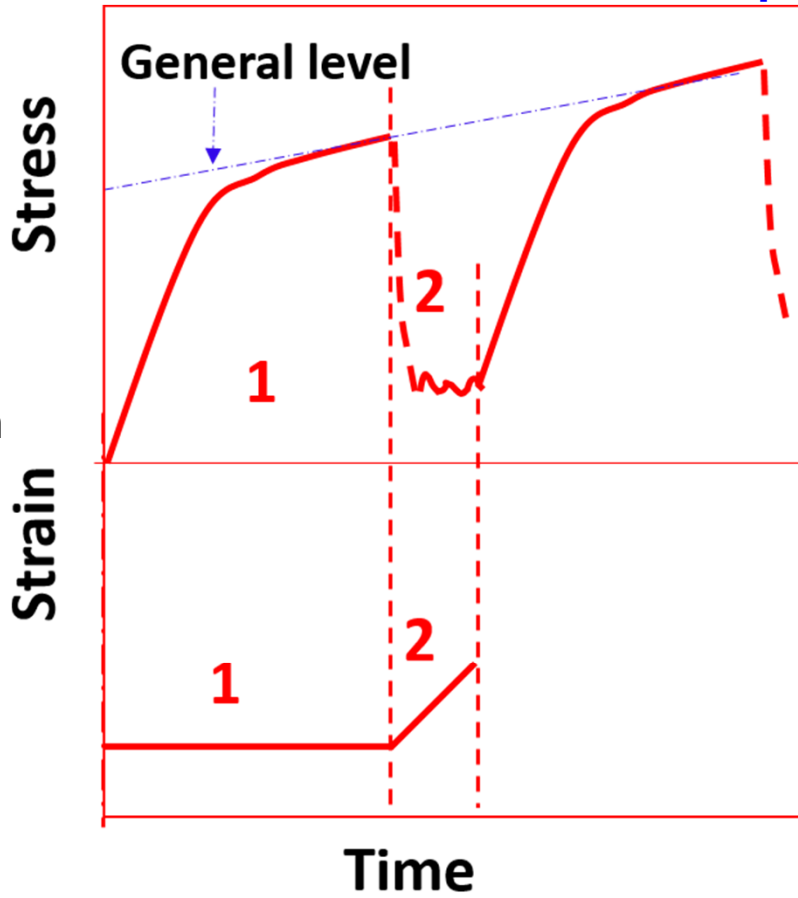
$$\dot{\epsilon}_0 = 5 \times 10^{-5}/s$$

$$\dot{\epsilon}_1 = 1.15 \times 10^{-5}/s$$

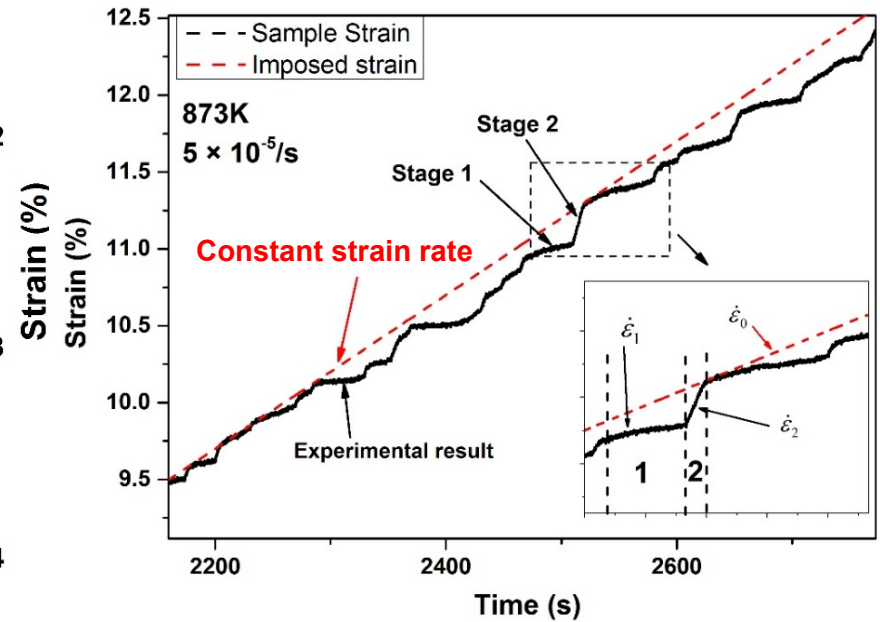
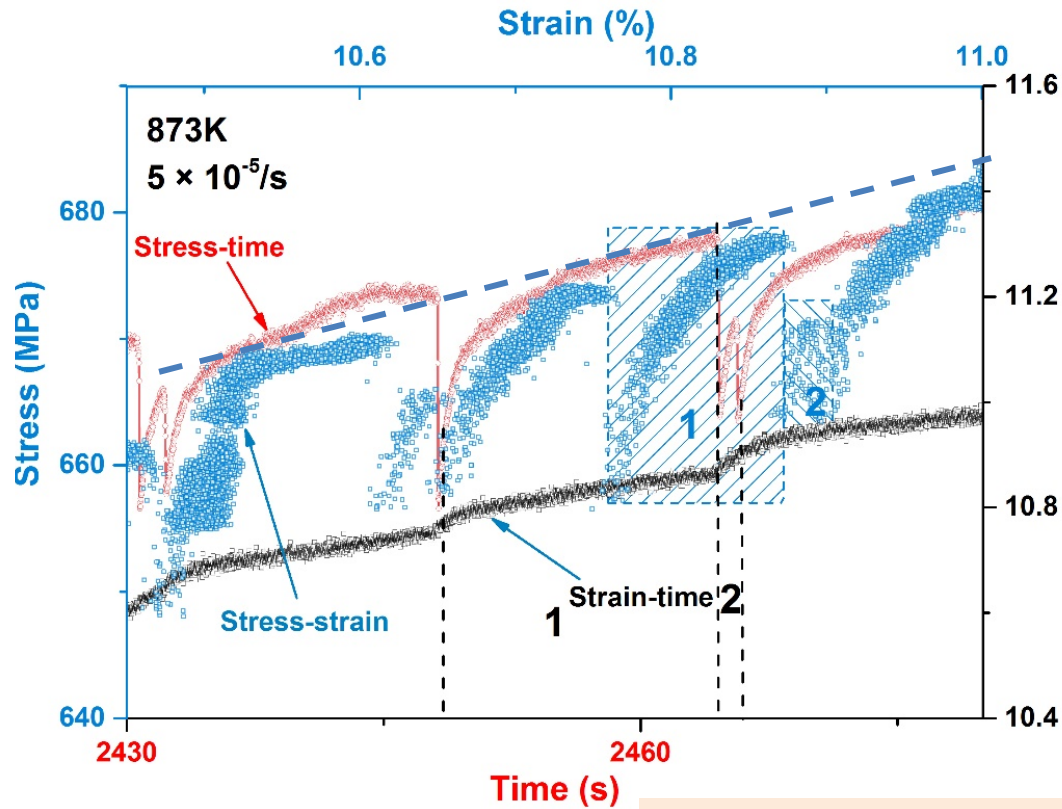
$$\dot{\epsilon}_2 = 2.22 \times 10^{-4}/s$$

### Illustration of upward direction

Upward direction



# At Strain Rate $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$ with Temperature of 873K



$$\dot{\epsilon}_0 = 5 \times 10^{-5}/s$$

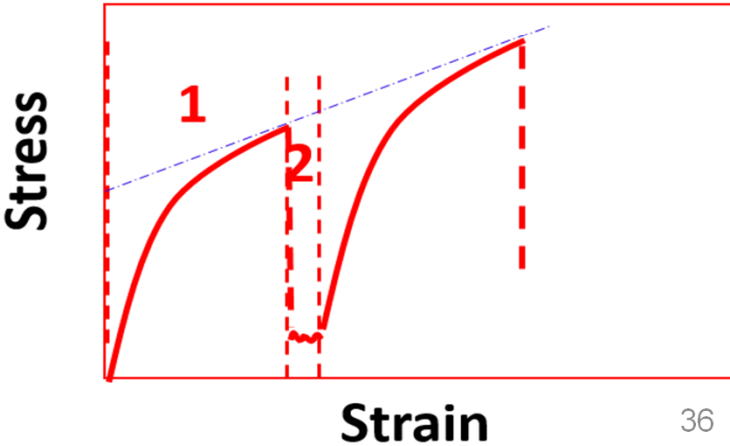
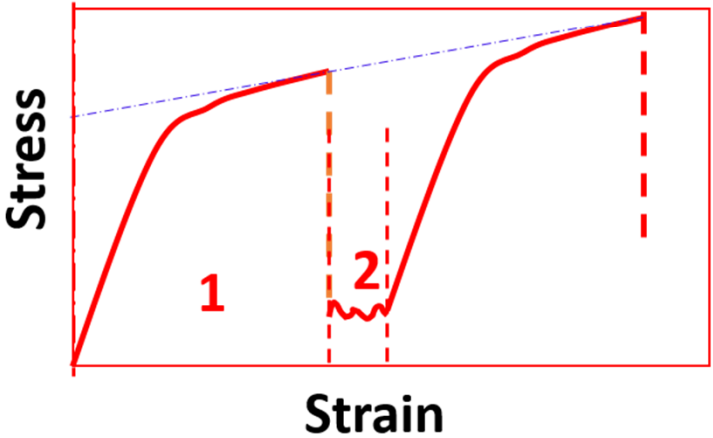
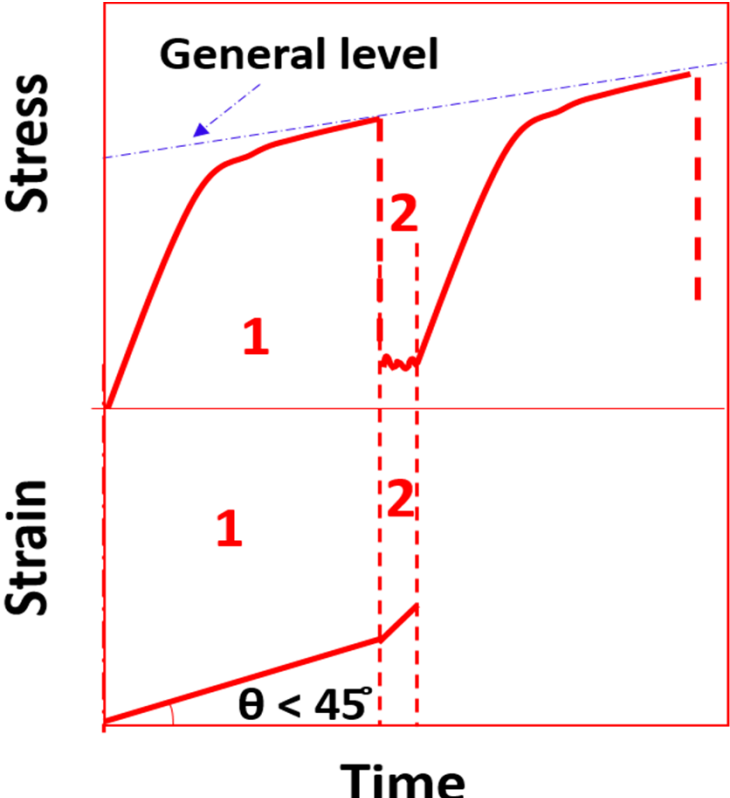
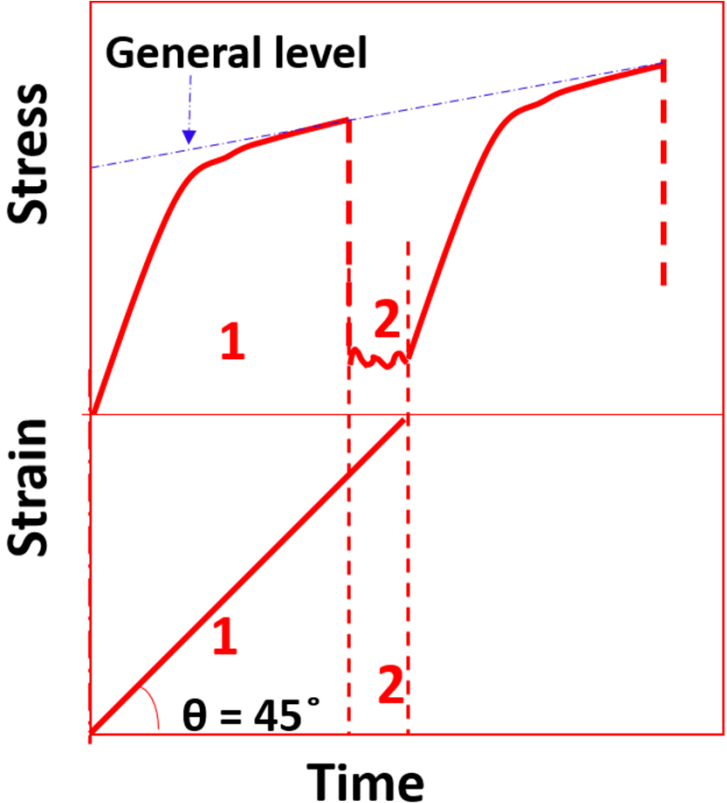
$$\dot{\epsilon}_1 = 1.93 \times 10^{-5}/s$$

$$\dot{\epsilon}_2 = 2.54 \times 10^{-4}/s$$

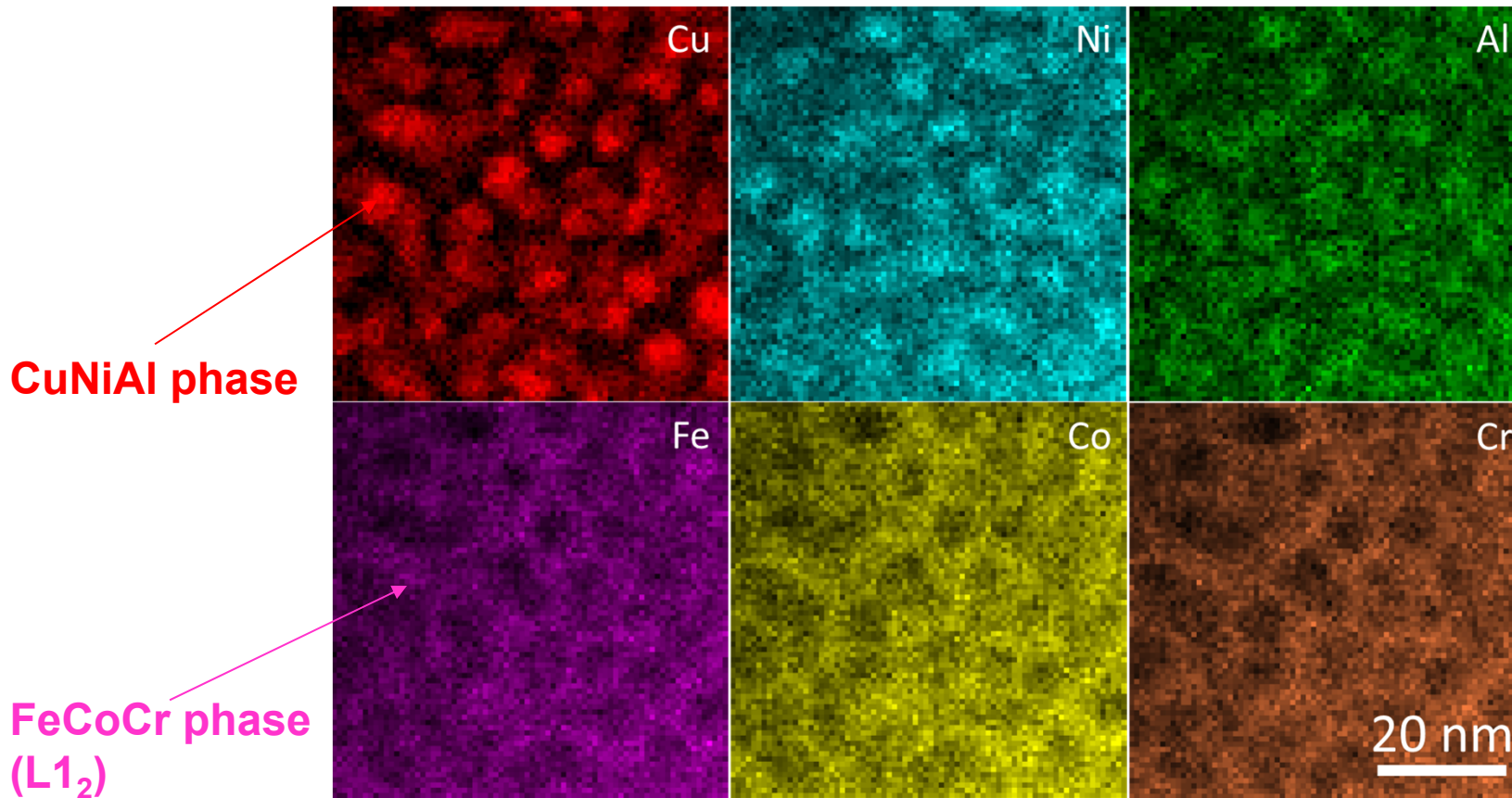
Assuming that at a strain rate of  $1 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , the angle  $\theta$  between horizontal line and strain-time curve should be  $45^\circ$

Illustration of downward direction

Downward direction

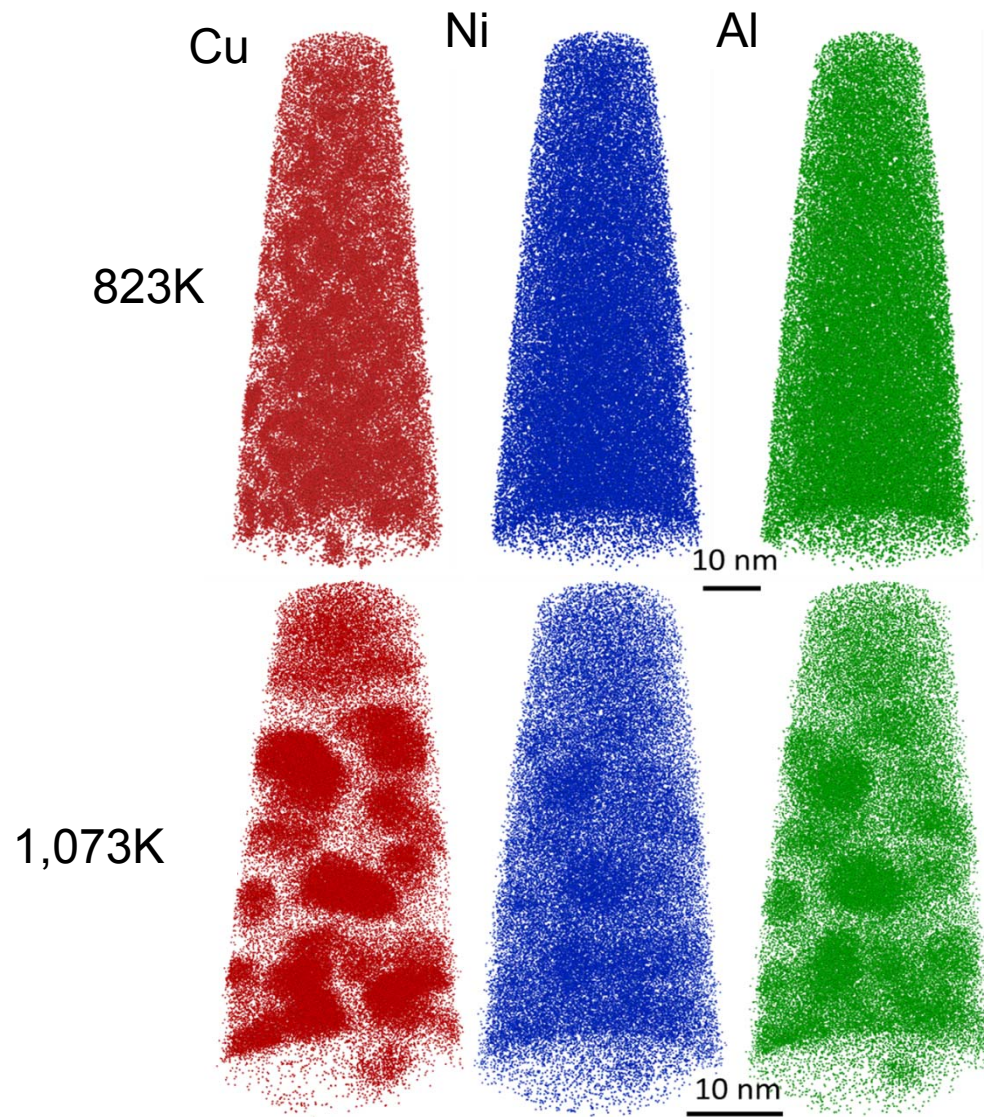


# Energy Dispersive-Spectroscopy (EDS) Mapping of Each Element



Scanning transmission electron microscopy energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (STEM-EDS) mapping of the matrix phase in the sample compressed at 1,073K with strain rate of  $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$

Reconstructed three-dimensional (3D) atom probe tomography (APT) after compression tests at the strain rate of  $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$  with temperatures of 823K, and 1,073K



3D APT chemical mappings of the tested sample at 823K and 1,073K. The decomposition of the solid-solution phase into a NiAl phase can be seen with increasing annealing temperature.

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35. The Characterization of Serrated Plastic Flow in High Entropy Alloys, Shuying Chen, Xie Xie, James Antonaglia, Junwei Qiao, Yong Zhang, **Karin Dahmen** and Peter Liaw.
36. (Invited) A Model for the Deformation Mechanisms and the Serration Statistics of High Entropy Alloys, **Karin Dahmen**, Bobby Carroll, Xie Xie, Shuying Chen, James Antonaglia, Braden Brinkman, Michael LeBlanc, Marina Laktionova, Elena Tabachnikova, Zhi Tang, Junwei Qiao, Jien Wei Yeh, Chi Lee, Che Wei Tsai, Jonathan Uhl, and Peter Liaw.
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# Conclusions

- The prediction of the simple avalanche model could be used to describe the serration behavior
- The serrated flow with different types could be observed in  $\text{Al}_{0.5}\text{CoCrCuFeNi}$  alloys in a certain temperature and strain rate range.
- The serration changes from the upward to downward directions with the temperature increasing from 673K to 873K.
- The possible explanations for the upward and downward serrations are suggested.
- Nanophases of Cu-rich and FeCoCr-rich  $\text{L1}_2$  phases were found after high-temperature deformation.



# Backup Slides

# Procedure (Chi Lee, Che-Wei Tsai, Jien Wie Yeh, Peter Li)



## I. Experimental Procedure

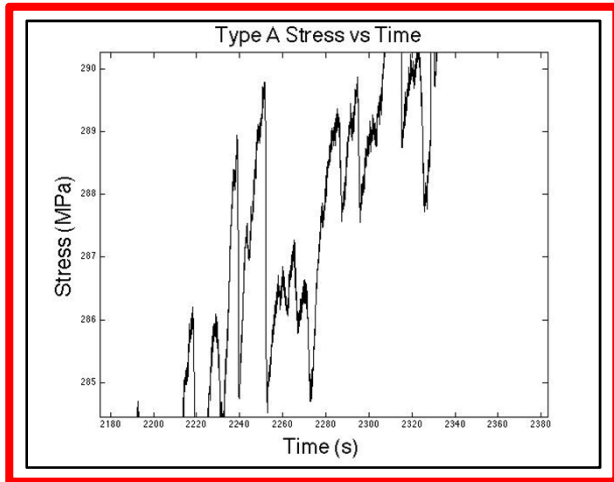
1. CoCrFeMnNi cut into strips
2. Strips tensile-stretched at different temperatures
3. Stress data recorded

## II. Data Analysis

Size distributions compiled and compared with theory

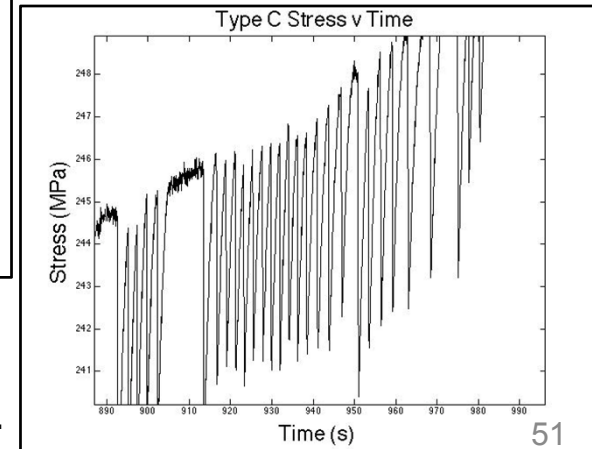
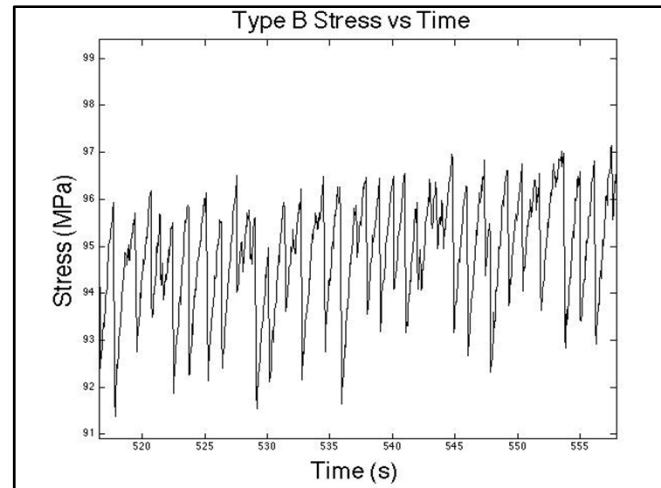


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**TYPE A:** CoCrFeMnNi at 375°C at  $10^{-4}$ /s strain rate  
– Exhibits power law slip size distributions **with the mean field exponent  $\kappa=1.5$ !**

Type B example from CoCrFeNi 700°C at  $10^{-4}$ /s strain rate.



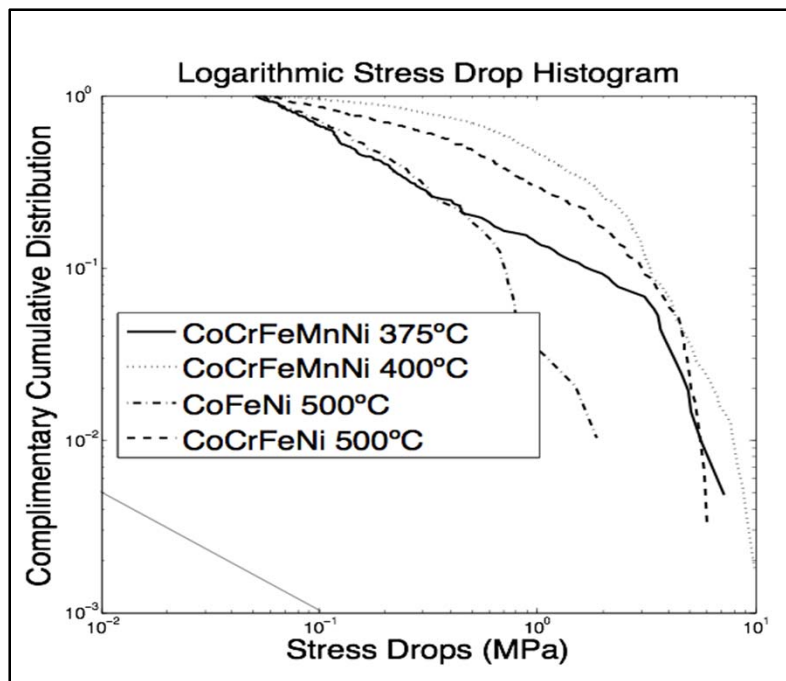
Type C example from CoCrFeNi 600°C at  $10^{-4}$  strain rate.

# Slip Size Distributions for different materials and temperatures

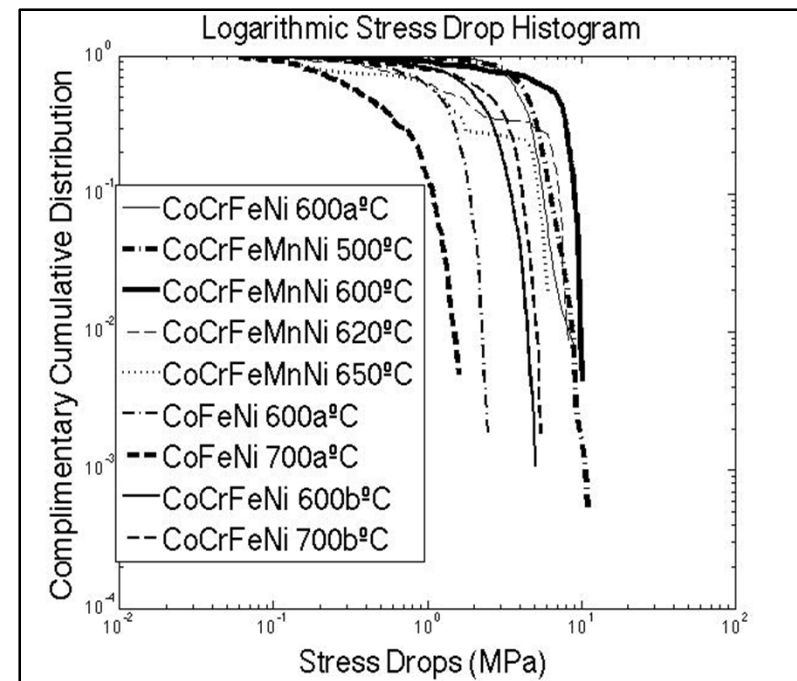
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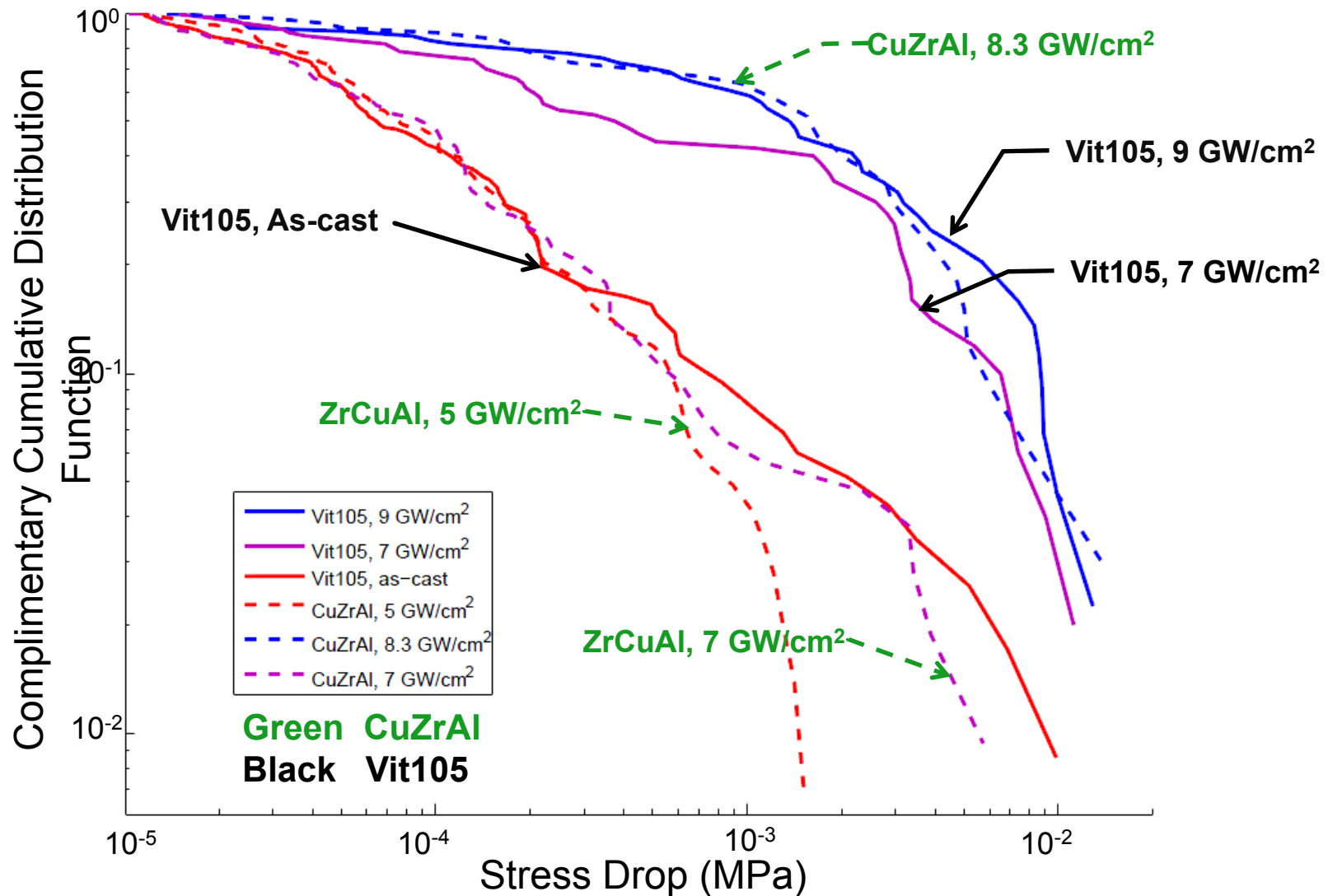
Type A or close to Type A



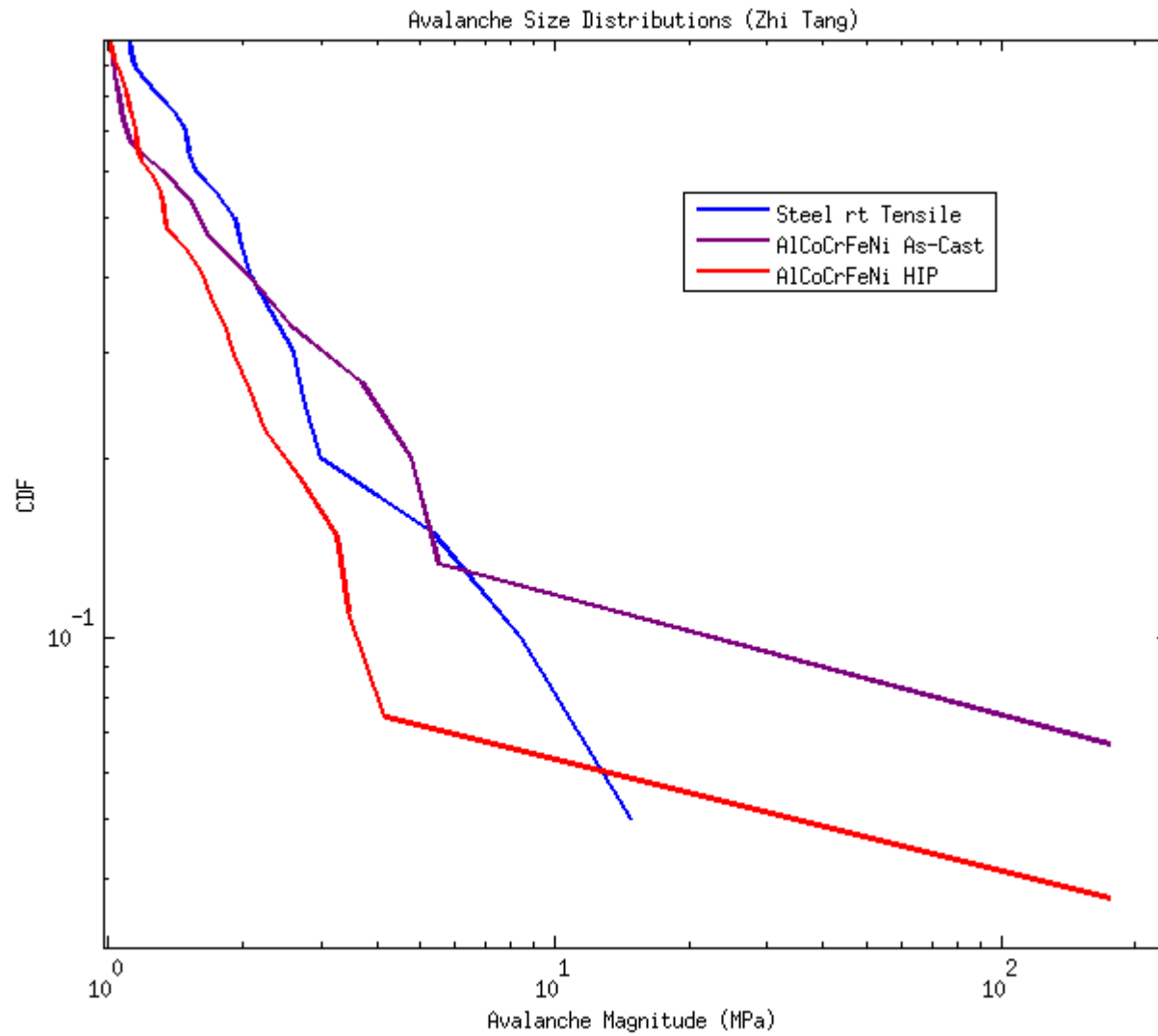
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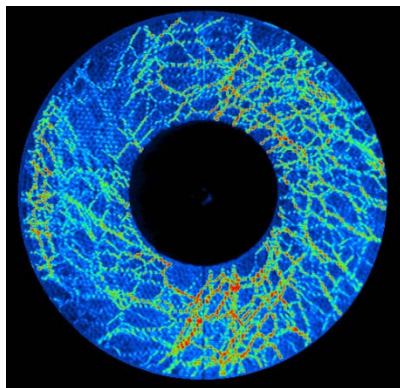
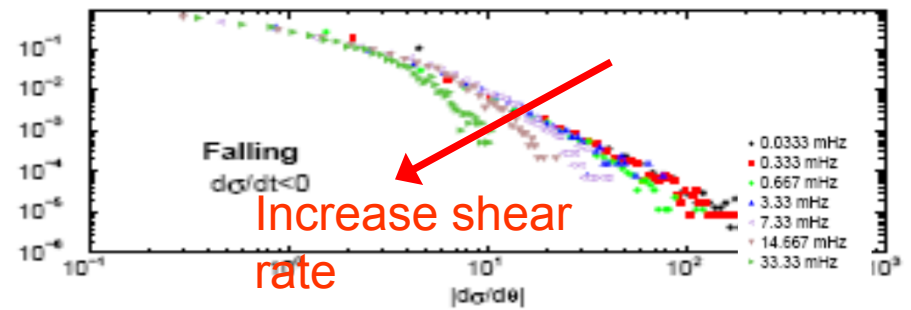
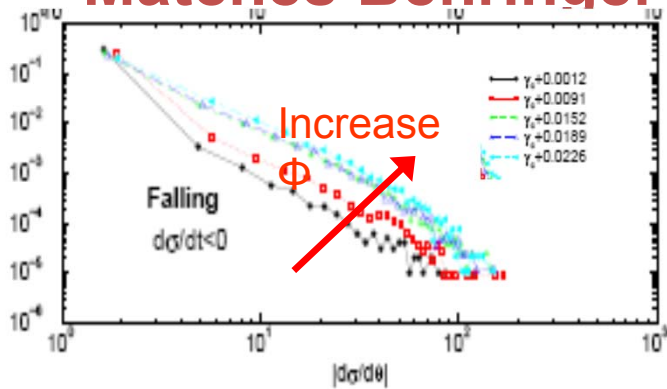
# BMG: Avalanche size distributions after Laser Treatment (X. Xie, P. Liaw, Tue. 12:05pm, Bowie A)



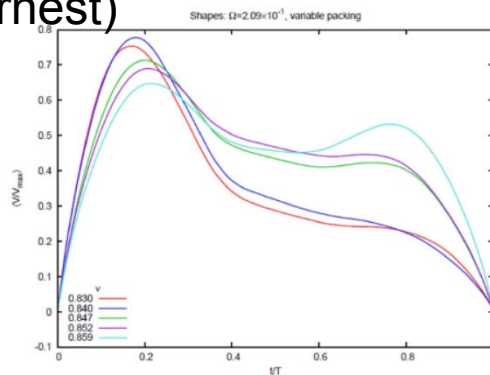
# Zhi Tang, Peter Liaw AlCoCrFeNi (tensile tests): future theory



# Matches Behringer and Hartley's experiments (Tyler)



## Avalanche Shapes (Tyler Earnest)

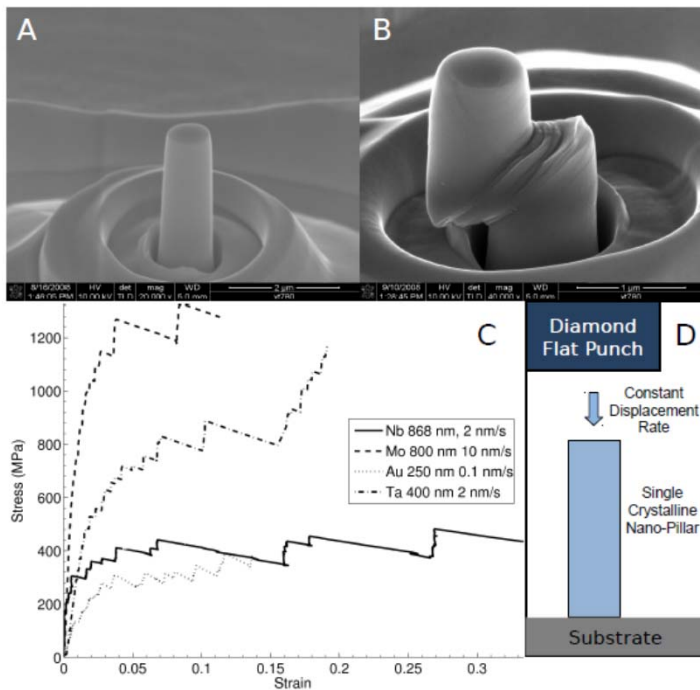


Power law exponent or other universal quantity	Mean Field Theory (MFT)	granular experiment [6,8-10,20-21,29]	granular simulation [2-4]
avalanche size distribution $D(s) \sim s^{-\kappa}$	$\kappa=1.5$	$\kappa=1.5$	
avalanche duration distribution $D(T) \sim T^{-\alpha}$	$\alpha=2$	$\alpha=2$ or exponential?	
stress drop rate distribution $\sim D(V) \sim V^{-\psi}$	$\psi=2$	$\psi=2$ [29]	
power spectrum $P(\omega) \sim \omega^{-\phi}$	$\phi=2$ if $v \approx 1$ ; $\phi=0$ if $v \ll 1$	$\phi=1.8-2.5, 2$	$\phi=2$ if solid $\phi=0$ if fluid
Source time function averaged over avalanches of duration T.	Symmetric (parabola)	Symmetric (parabola ? Gaussian ?)	Symmetrics ine fctn ?
Stick slip statistics	Yes, if $\epsilon > 0$ and $v > v^*$	Yes, sometimes	Yes (mode switching)
Mode switching (between powerlaw and stick slip)	Yes, if $\epsilon > 0$ and $v > v^*$	Yes, sometimes	Yes in solid regime

# Checking the Predictions of Simple Analytic Model with Experiments on $\mu\text{m}$ -size and nano-crystal

(Nir Friedman, Jennings, Tsekenis, Kim, Tao, Uhl, Greer, KD, PRL 2012)

Greer group (Caltech) Experiments: Compressing Nanopillars, the Size of a Virus:



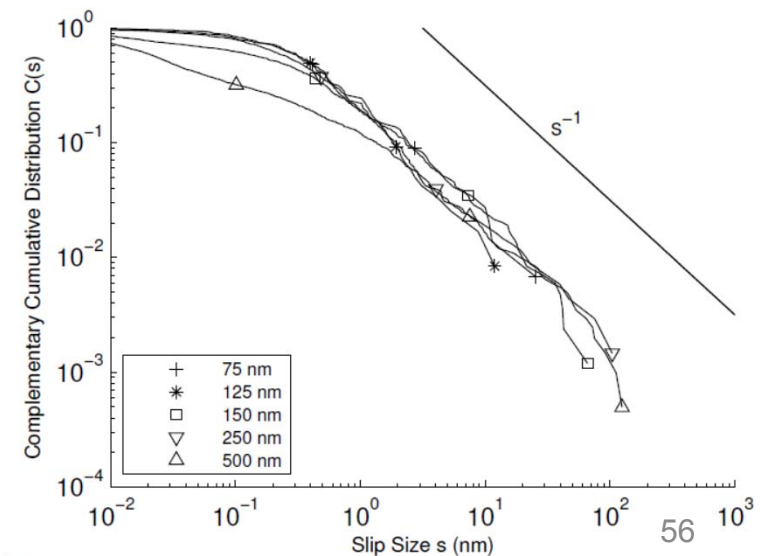
~ Size of a Virus !



Nir Friedman

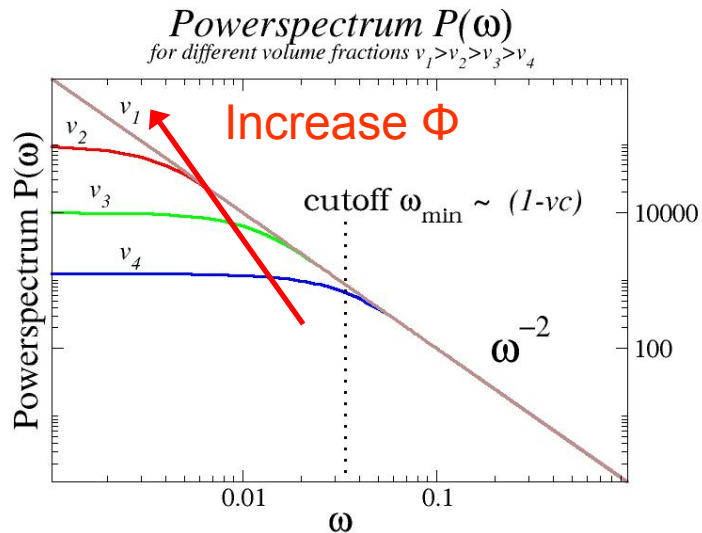
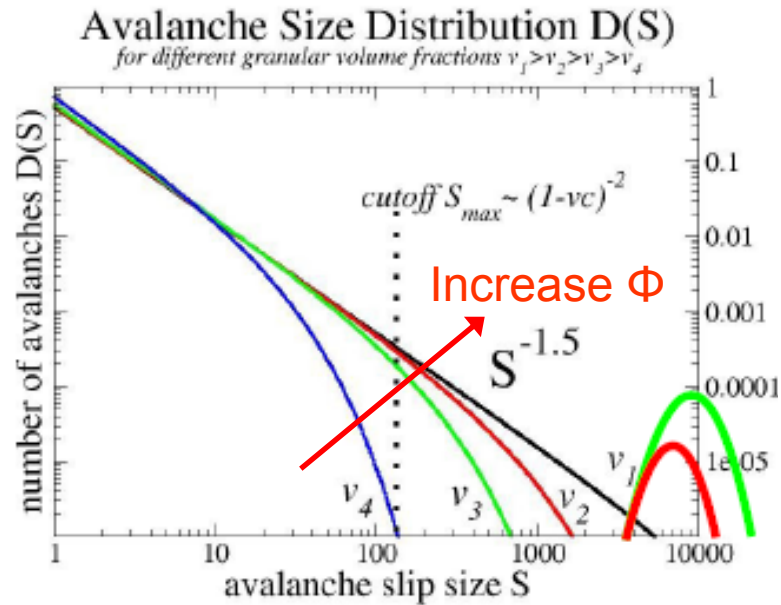
**Experiments agree with simple mean field model predictions**

(FCC, BCC and 7 different materials)

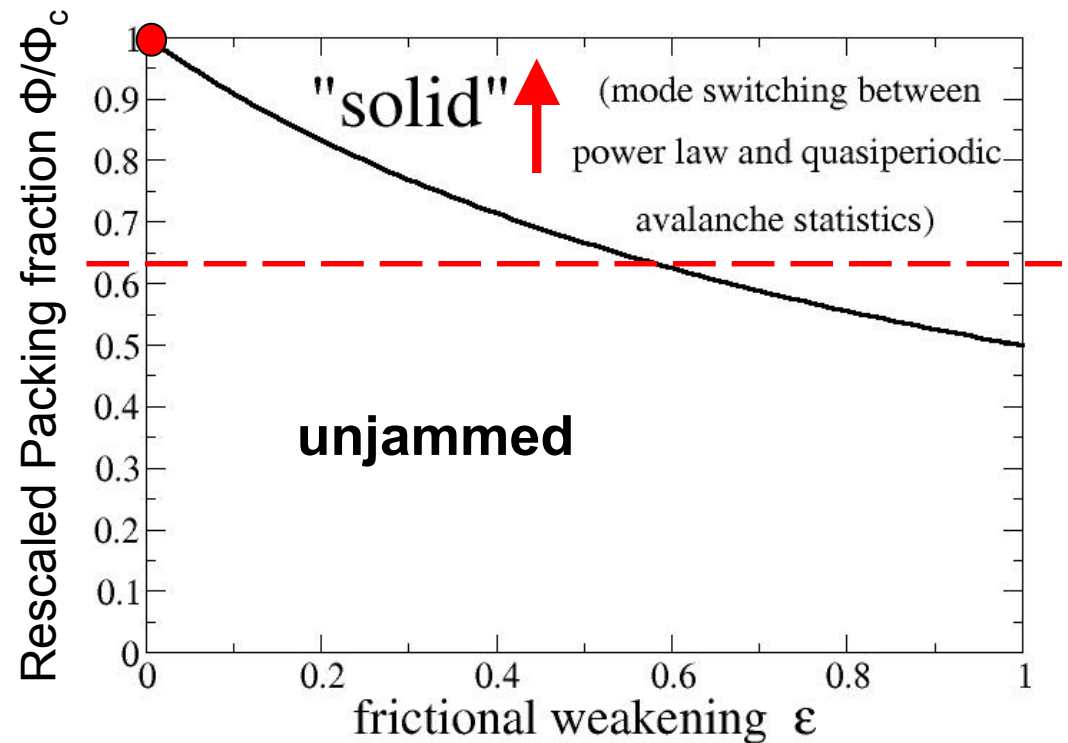




# Model results for avalanches in sheared granular materials



## Braden Brinkman Th 4:54pm Dynamical Phase Diagram



KD, D. Ertas, Y. Ben-Zion, PRE 1998

KD, Ben-Zion, Uhl, Nature Physics 2011

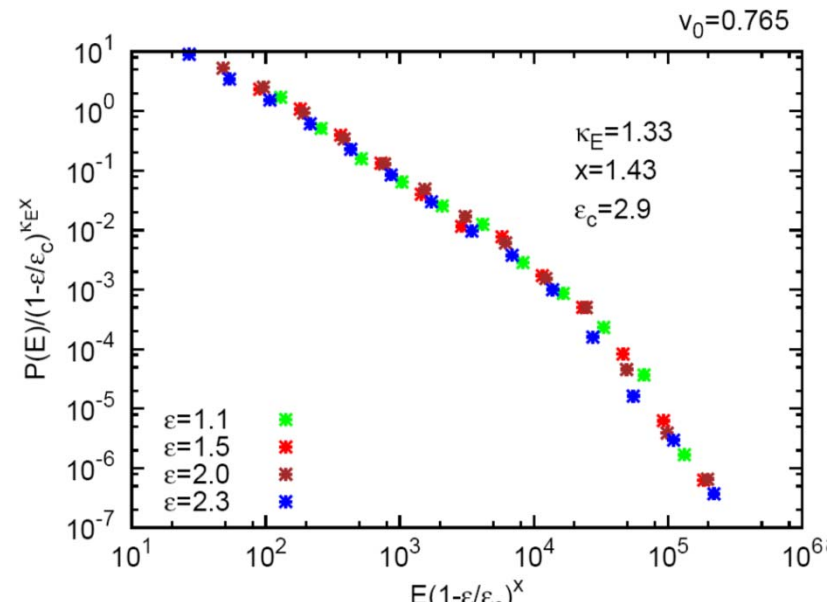
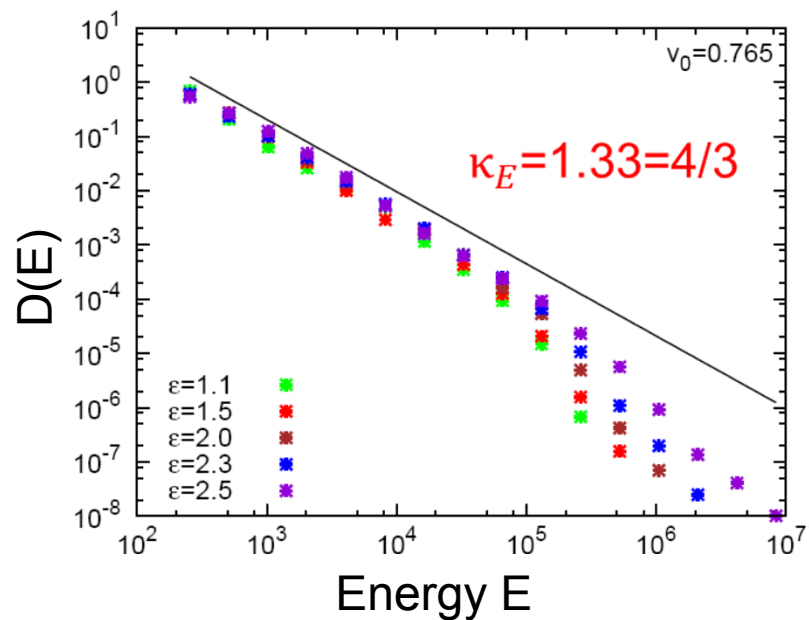
# Simulations and Simple Model agree! (PRL12, PRE 2013, EPL 2013)

**DDD and PFC:** Tsekenis, Chan, Fehm, Goldenfeld, Dantzig, Uhl, KD **MFT:** LeBlanc, Angheluta, Goldenfeld, KD;  
 Discrete Dislocation Dynamics Simulations, Phase Field Crystal Simulations (PFC code from the Goldenfeld Group)

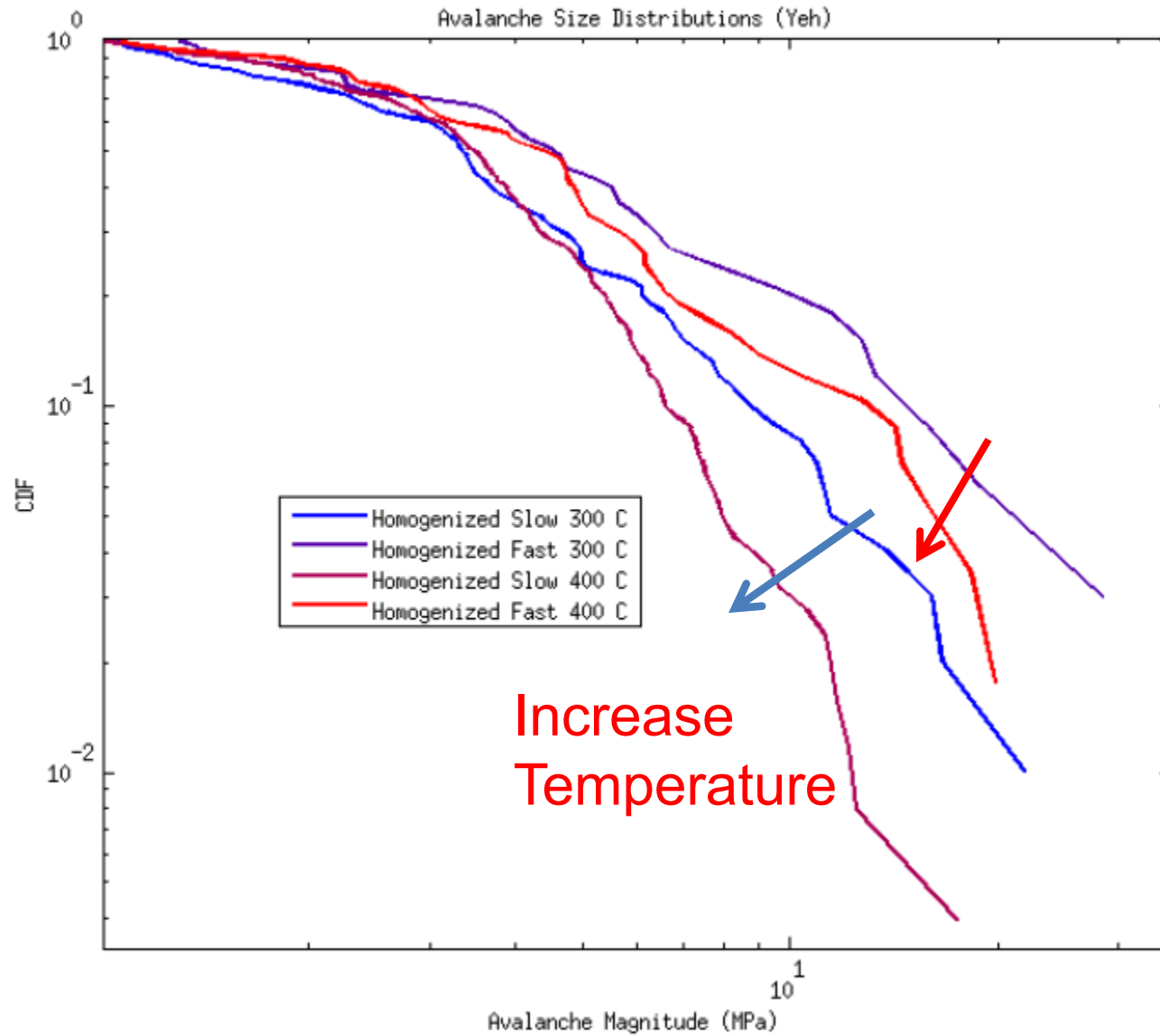
quantity	exponent	our simulations	MFT	simulations	experiments
$D_S(S, \tau)$	$\kappa$	$\sim 1.5$	$\frac{3}{2}$	1.4[1, 2]	1.5[3]
$D(V_{\max})$	–	–	2	–	$2.0 \pm 0.1$ [4], 1.5-2[5], 1.2-2.2[6]
$D_S(S, \tau)$	$\frac{1}{\sigma}$	2	2	2[1, 2]	2[1]
$D_T(T, \tau)$	$1 + \frac{\kappa-1}{\sigma\nu z}$	2.0	2		
$D_T(T, \tau)$	$\nu z$	1	1		
$D_E(E, \tau)$	$1 + \frac{\kappa-1}{2-\sigma\nu z}$	1.3	$\frac{4}{3}$		
$D(V_{\max}^2)$	–	–	3/2	$1.8 \pm 0.2$ [7]	1.6[7], $1.5 \pm 0.1$ [4]
$D_E(E, \tau)$	$\frac{2-\sigma\nu z}{\sigma}$	3	3		
$\langle S \rangle \sim T^{1/\sigma\nu z}$	$1/\sigma\nu z$	$\sim 2.0$	2		
$\langle T \rangle \sim S^{\sigma\nu z}$	$\sigma\nu z$	$\sim 0.5$	$\frac{1}{2}$		
$\langle E \rangle \sim S^{2-\sigma\nu z}$	$2 - \sigma\nu z$	$\sim 1.5$	$\frac{3}{2}$		
$V(t)_{\text{shapes}} \sim T^{\frac{1}{\sigma\nu z}-1}$	$\frac{1}{\sigma\nu z}$	$\sim 2$	2		
$PS_{\text{int}}(\omega)$	$\frac{1}{\sigma\nu z}$	$\sim 2$	2		
$\langle v \rangle \sim (1 - \frac{\tau}{\tau_c})^\beta$	$\beta$	$\sim 1.1$	1	1.8[8]	

# Simple Analytic Mean Field Theory Predictions agree also with Phase Field Crystal Simulations at Finite Temperature

(Chan, Tsekenis, Dantzig, Dahmen, Goldenfeld PRL 2010 and ongoing)



# Yeh: $\text{Al}_5\text{Cr}_{12}\text{Fe}_{35}\text{Mn}_{28}\text{Ni}_{20}$

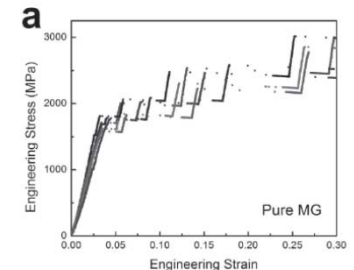


## One Tuning Parameter:

- Weakening  $\varepsilon$

## Two Experimentally Relevant Boundary Conditions:

- Slow strain-rate loading condition ( $<10^{-4}/s$ )
- Slow stress-rate loading condition



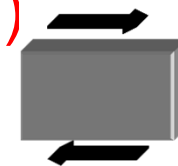
## EXACT Predictions in 3 Dimensions (no fitting)

- Histograms of slip-sizes, durations, power spectra, ...
- Brittle ( $\varepsilon > 0$ ), ductile ( $\varepsilon = 0$ ), & hardening materials ( $\varepsilon < 0$ )

Strain-rate  $v$



Stress  $F$



Applied to: Crystals, BMGs, High Entropy Alloys,...

Predictions agree with first experiments,

Many predictions for future experiments...

Useful for: materials tests, parameters, lifetime,...

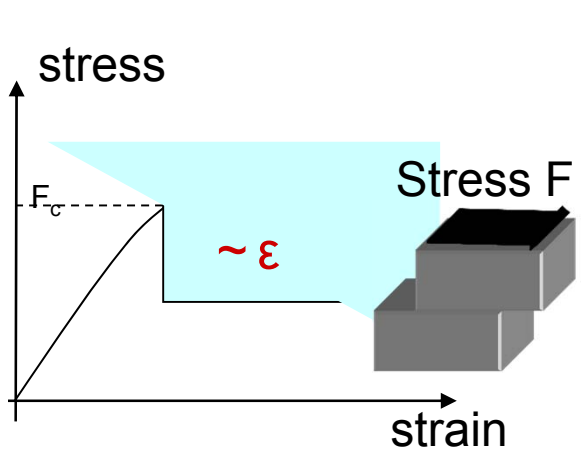
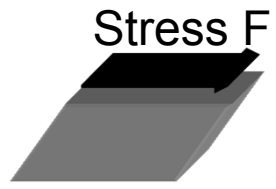
Our Simple Analytic Model of Plasticity (PRL '09, '12, Nature Physics '11, Adv. Fctl. Materials '12)

Microstructure properties of high-entropy Alloys (Zhang, Zuo, Tang, Gao, KD, Liaw, Lu) Prog. Mat. Sc. 2014

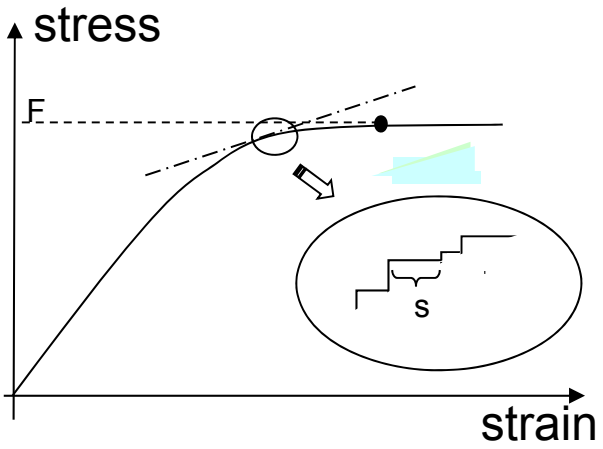
# Simple Analytic Model for deformation under shear:

## Main Results:

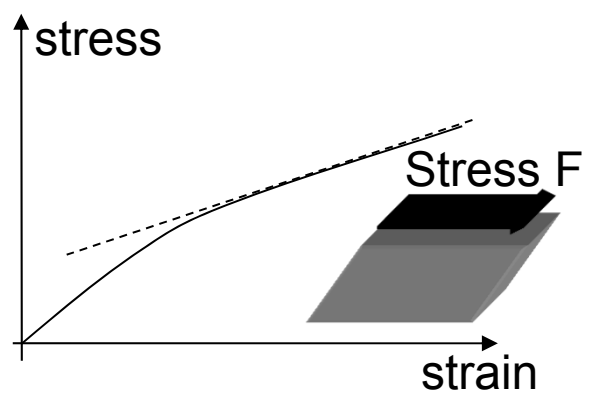
- For slowly increasing stress boundary condition:



Brittle ( $\epsilon > 0$ )

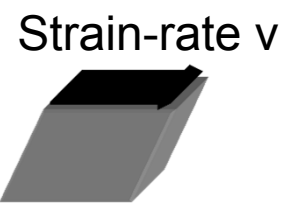


Plastic ( $\epsilon = 0$ )



Hardening ( $\epsilon < 0$ )

- Avalanche-size distributions (power laws with stress dependent cutoff)
- Power spectra, Scaling functions!
- Scaling behavior agrees with experiments!

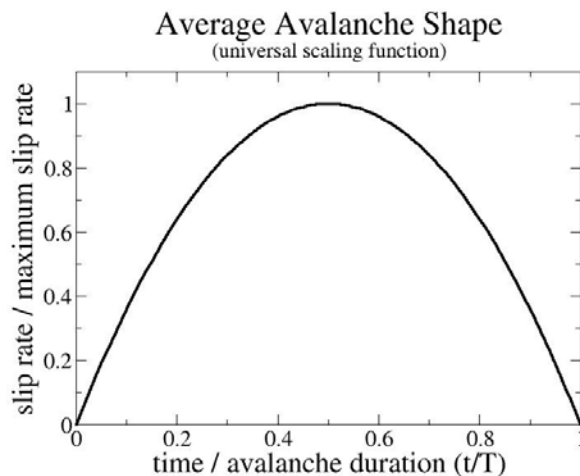


- For slow strain-rate boundary condition:

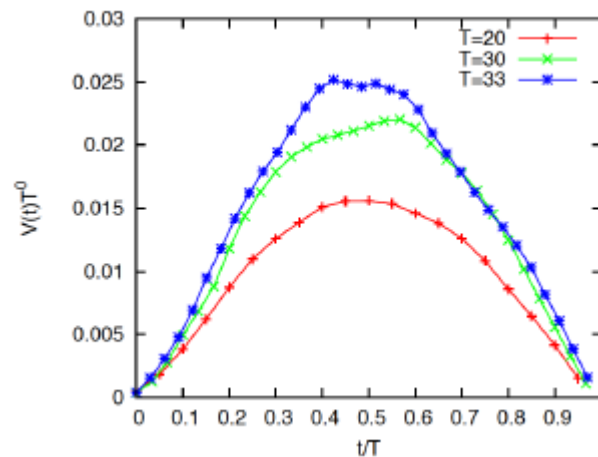
Same scaling behavior and phase diagram as single earthquake fault zone model

# Predictions of Simple Analytic Model Agree with Discrete Dislocation-Dynamics Simulations

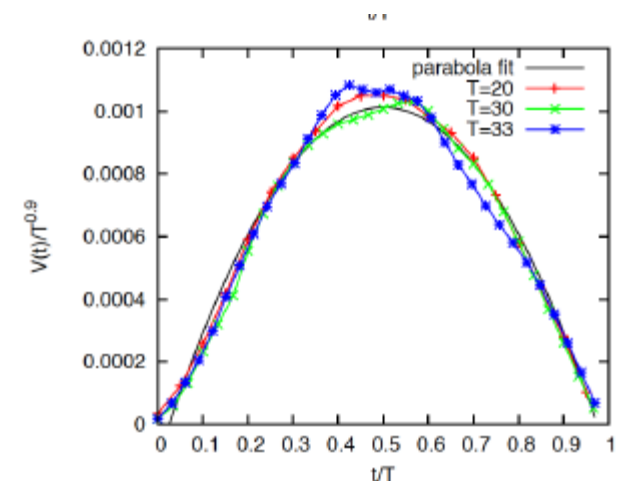
Mean Field Theory  
for  $\varepsilon = 0$



Simulations: raw data

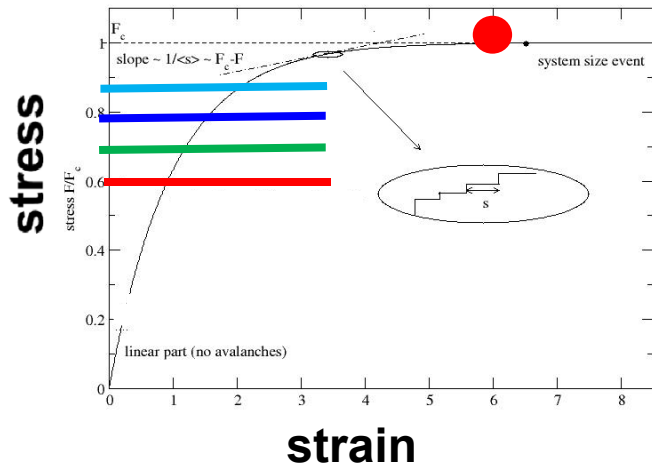


Collapse



**Georgios Tsekenis: Collapse  $V(t) \sim T^{1-1/\sigma v z} f(t/T)$**

# Binning in Stress: **Scaling Collapse** (PRL 2012)

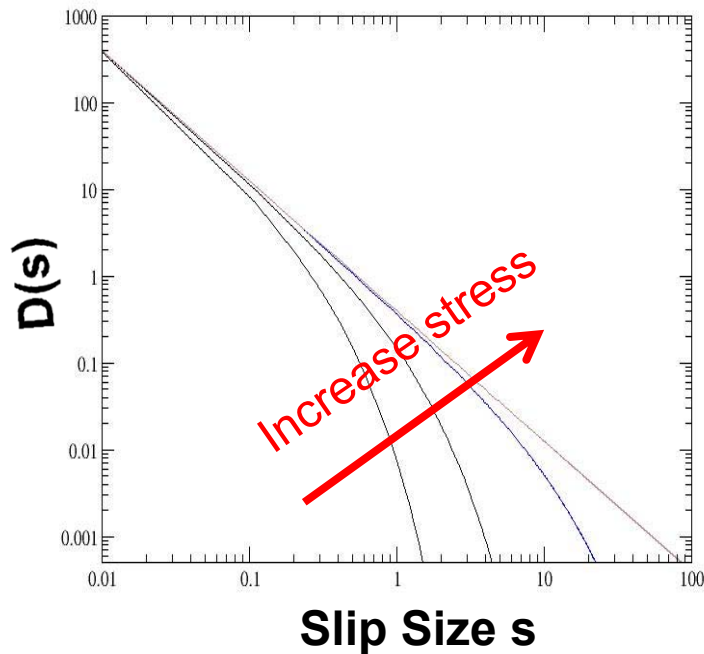


**MFT Prediction for EXPONENTS**  
**and scaling FUNCTION agree with**  
**Experiments:**

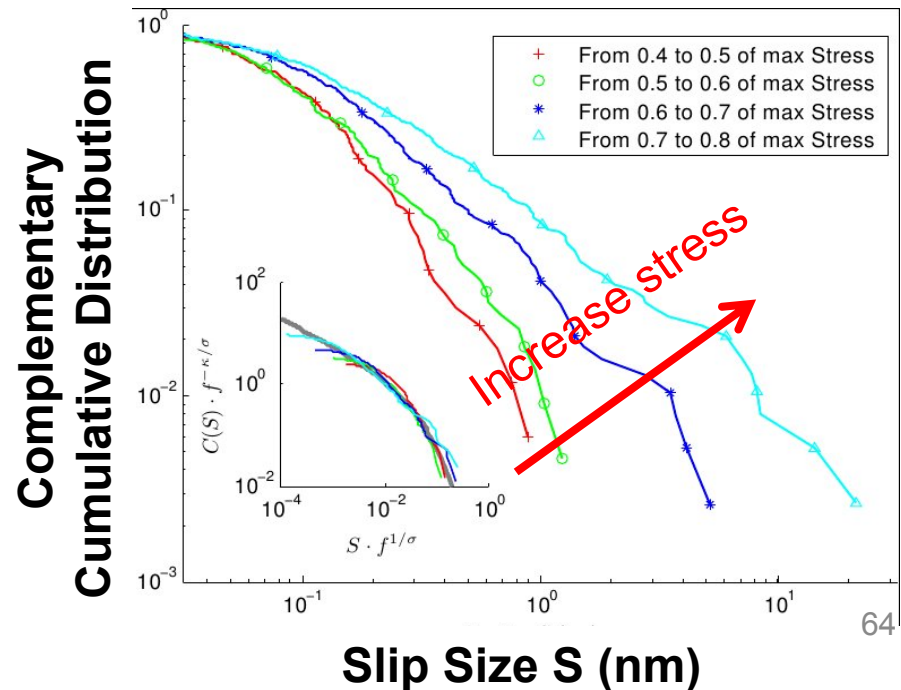
$$D(S) \sim 1/s^\kappa D(s (F-F_c)^{1/\sigma})$$

✓ with  $\kappa = 1.5$  and  $\sigma = 2$

## Mean Field Theory (MFT)



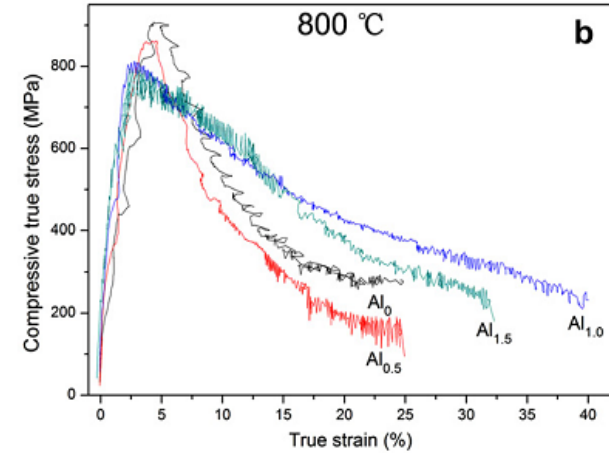
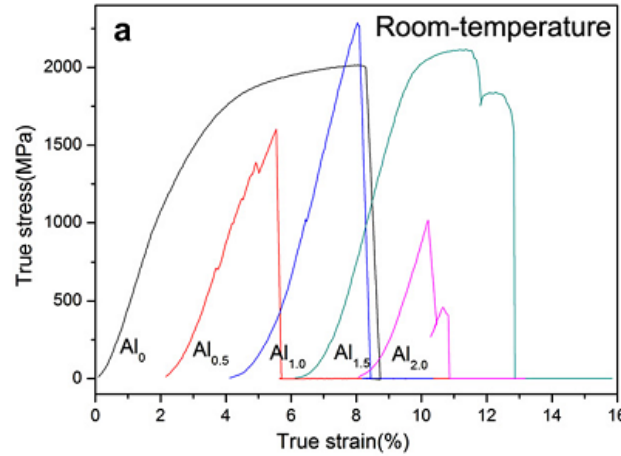
## Experiments on nanopillars



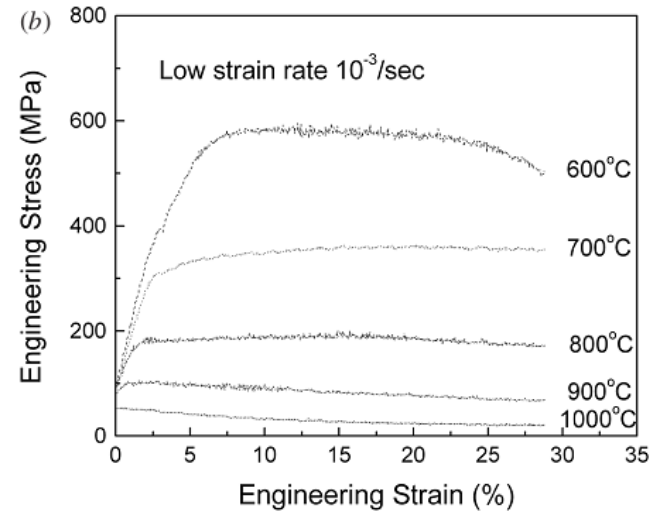
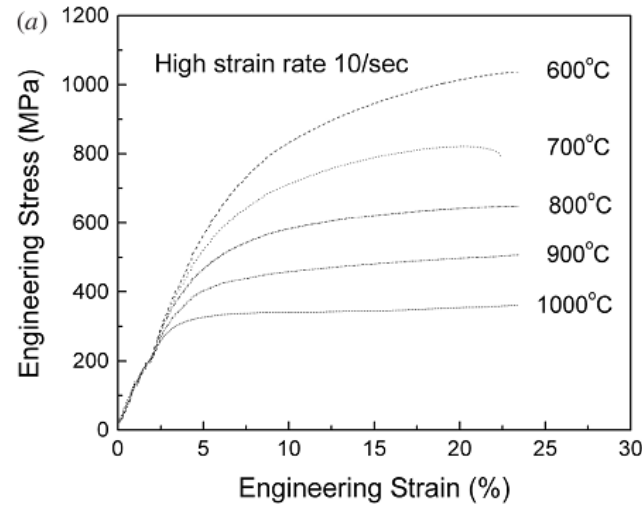


# Serration in HEAs

$Al_xCoCrFeNiTi$



$Al_{0.5}CoCrCuFeNi$



*K. Zhang and Z. Fu, Intermetallics, 2012, 28, pp. 34-39.*

*C. J. Tong, M. R. Chen, J. W. Yeh, S. J. Lin, S. K. Chen, T. T. Shun, and S. Y. Chang, Metallurgical and Materials Transactions A, 2005, 36(5), pp. 1263-1271.*

## Serration behavior of materials

**Serration behavior:** Inhomogeneous deformation in certain temperature and strain rate regimes appears in materials, e.g., Al-Li single crystal, Co<sub>3</sub>Ti alloys (L12 ordered), Al-2Mg polycrystal, Mo-27 at.% Re alloy (disordered)

### Mechanisms:

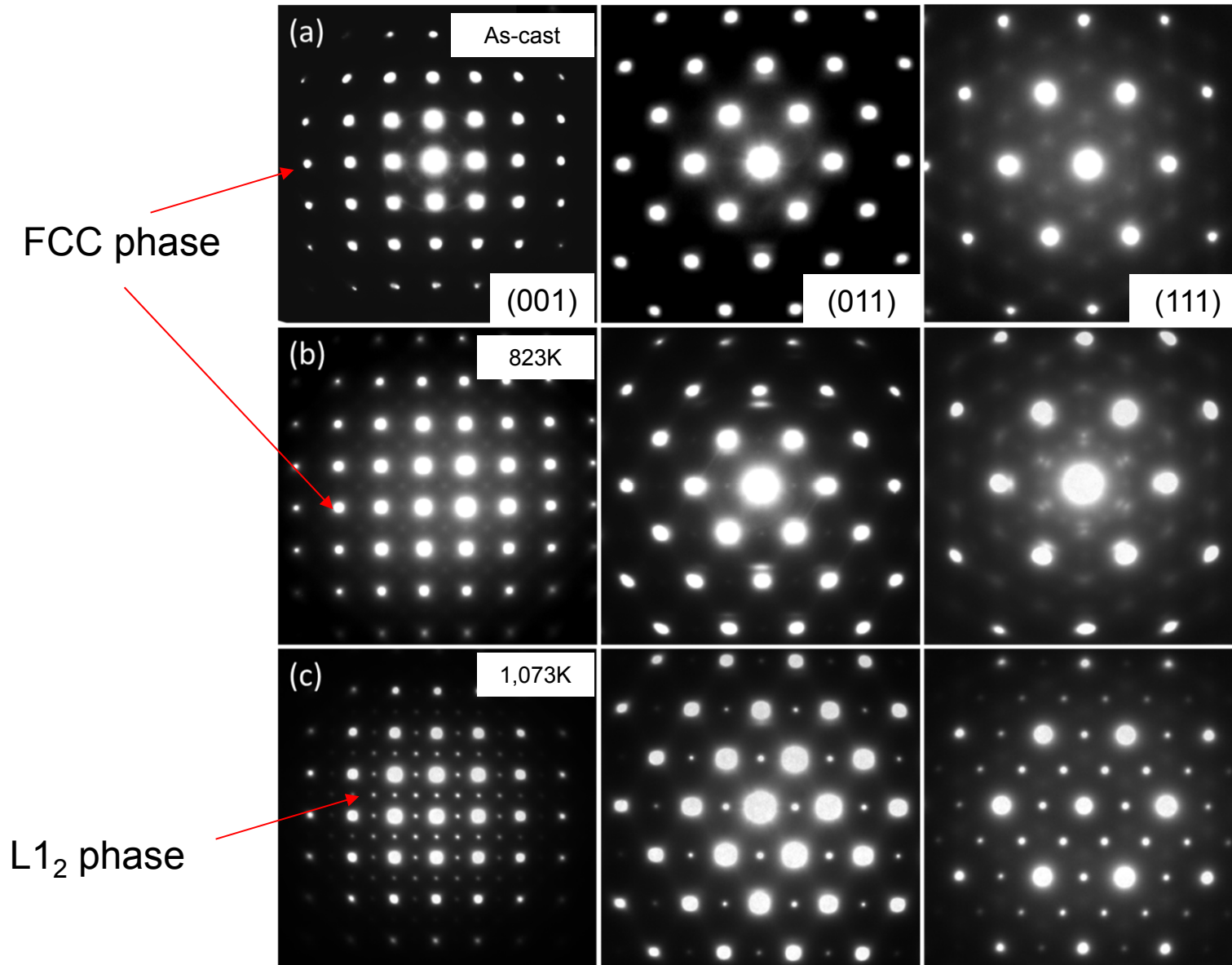
**Strain induced martensitic transformation:** MP35N alloy (multiphase cobalt alloy: 35 wt. Co, 35% wt. Ni, 20% wt. Cr, and 10% wt. Mo)

**Deformation twinning:** Mg–5Li–3Al–1.5Zn–2Re alloy

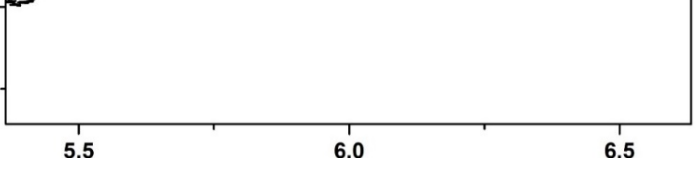
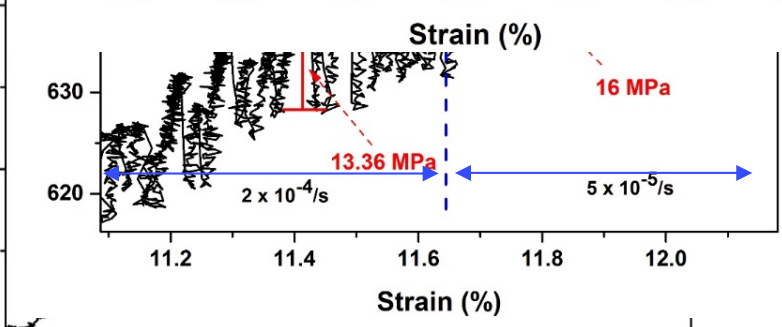
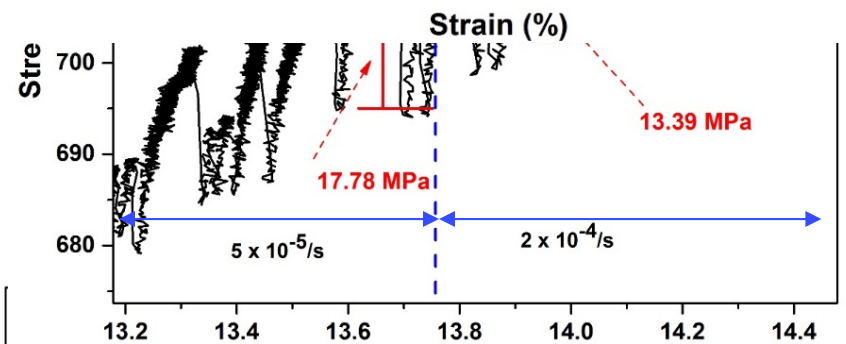
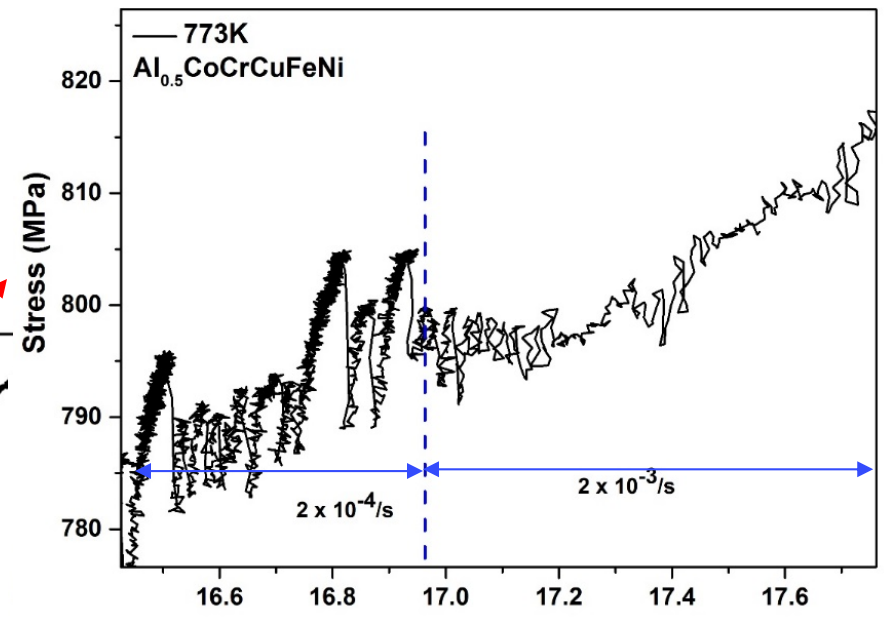
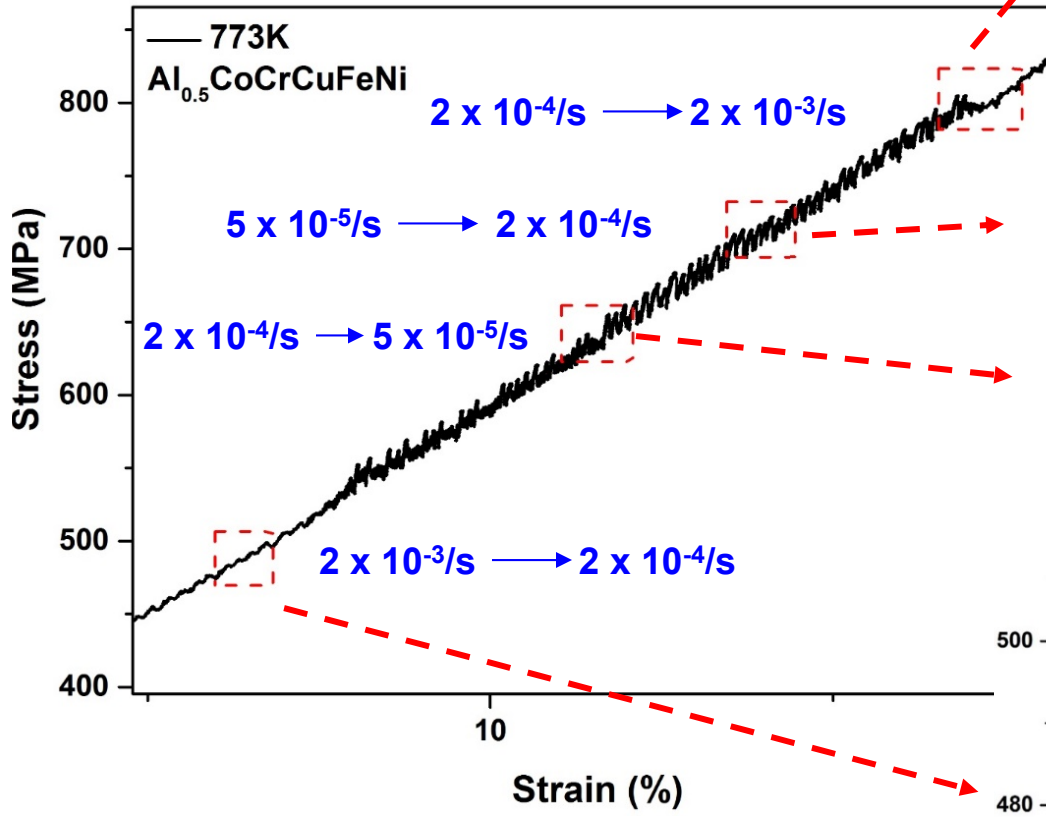
**Portevin–Le Chatelier effect (PLC) of Solute-dislocation or dislocation-dislocation interaction:** Very common in materials, like Al- and Ni-based alloys

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TEM results after compression tests at room temperature, 823K, and 1,073K with strain rate of  $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$



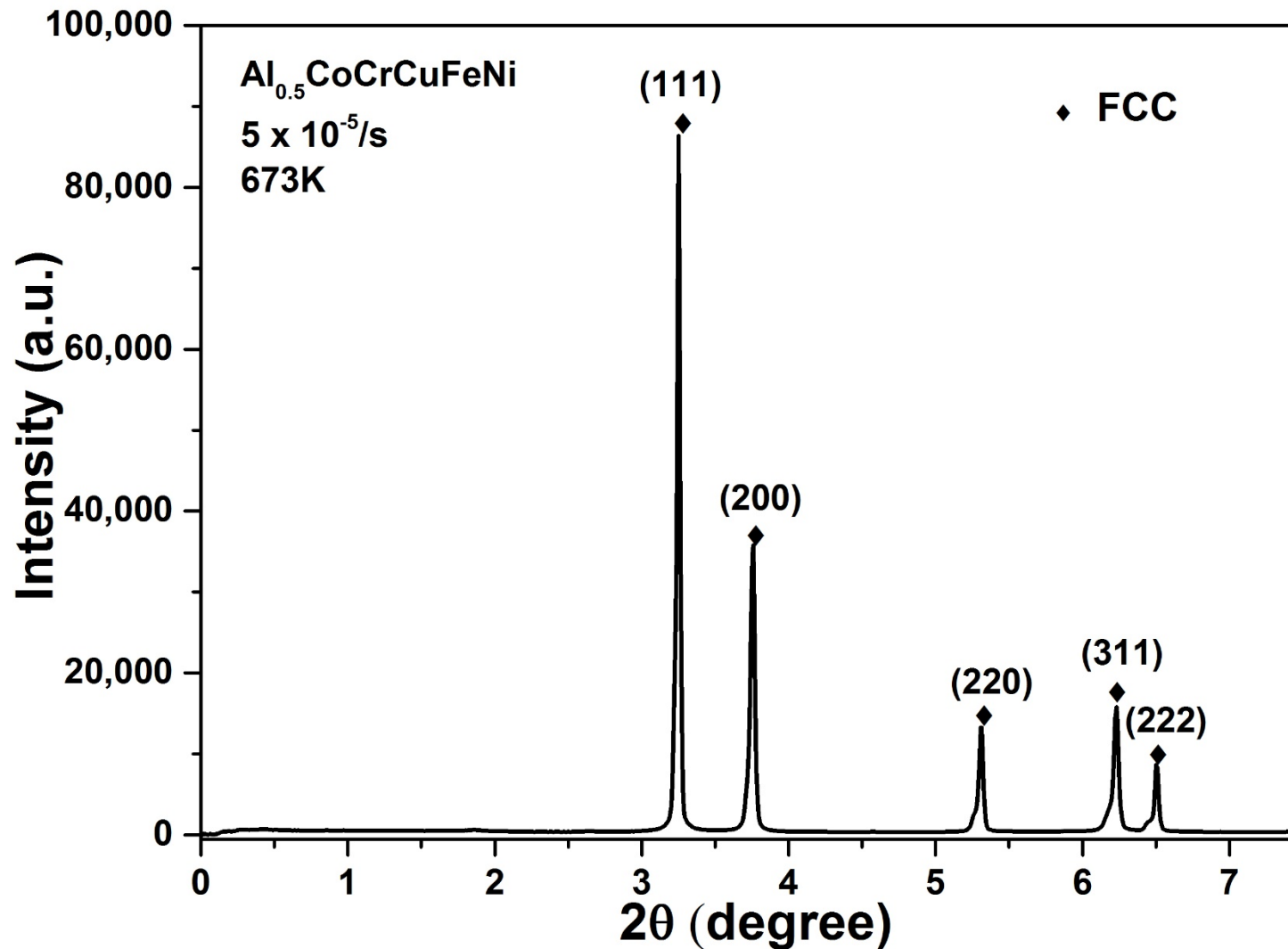
# Changing strain rates during compression tests



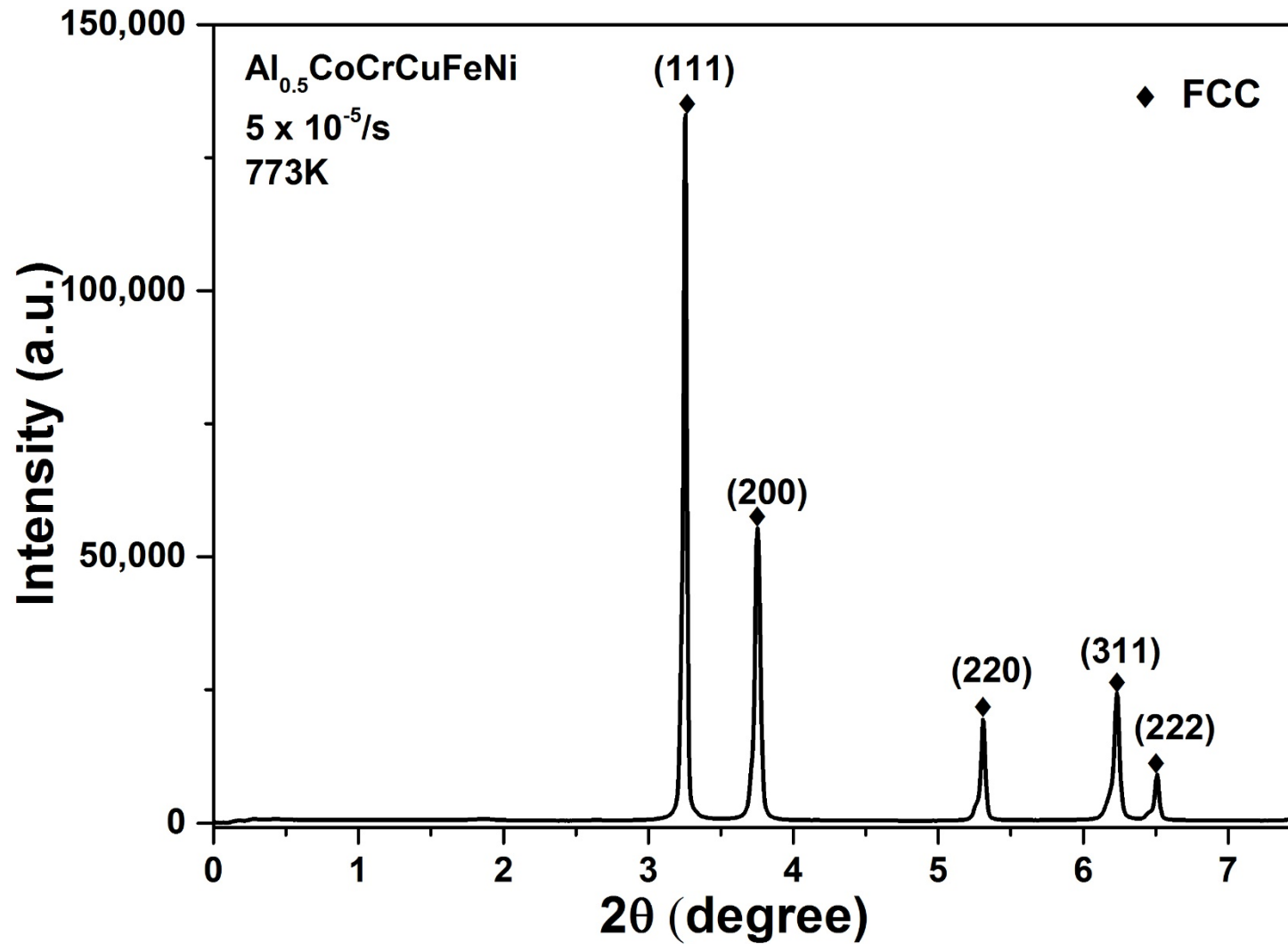
# Characterization of Phases

## Synchrotron diffraction results

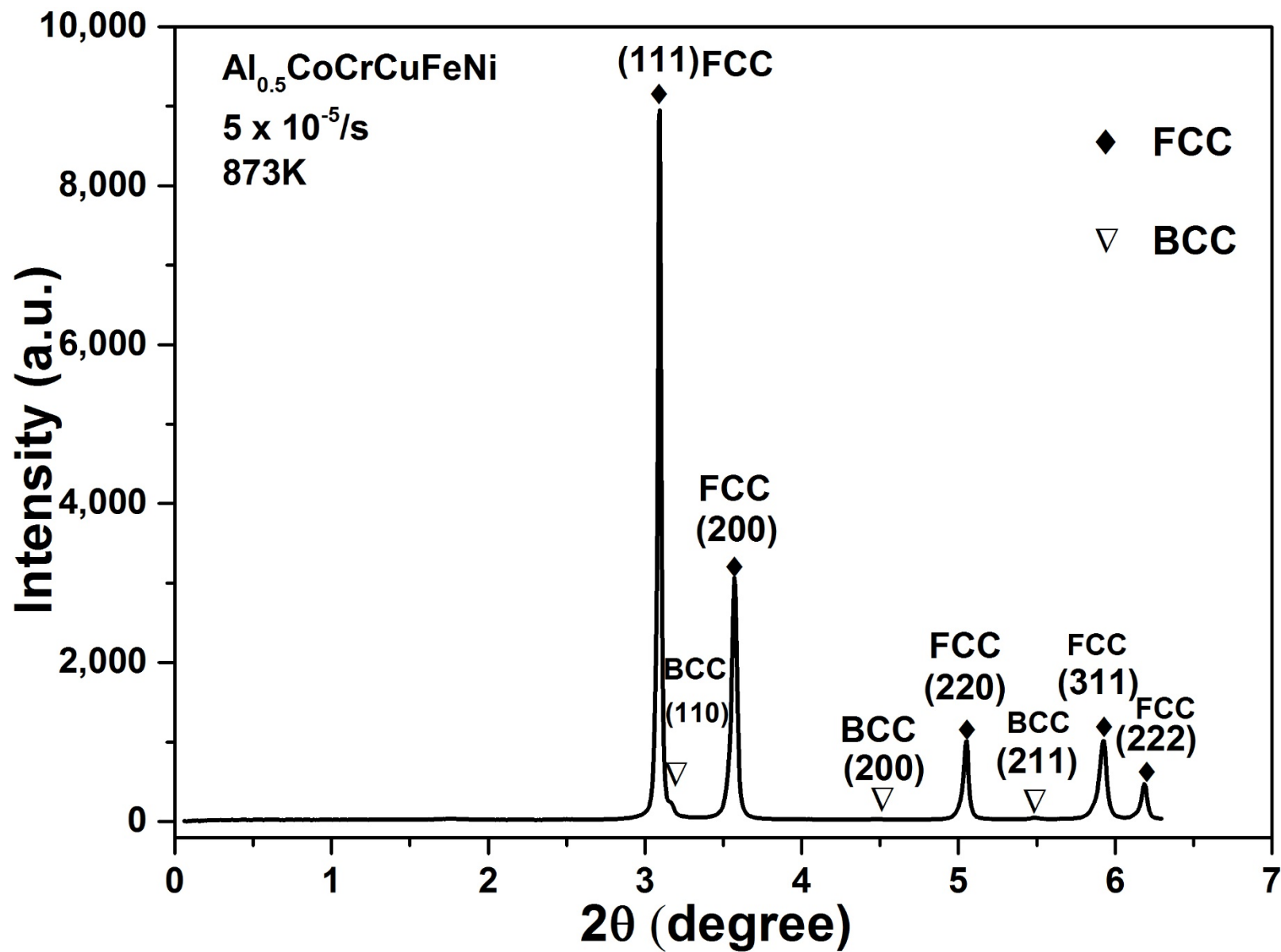
Diffraction pattern at strain rate of  $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$  with temperature of 673K



# Diffraction pattern at strain rate of $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$ with temperature of 773K

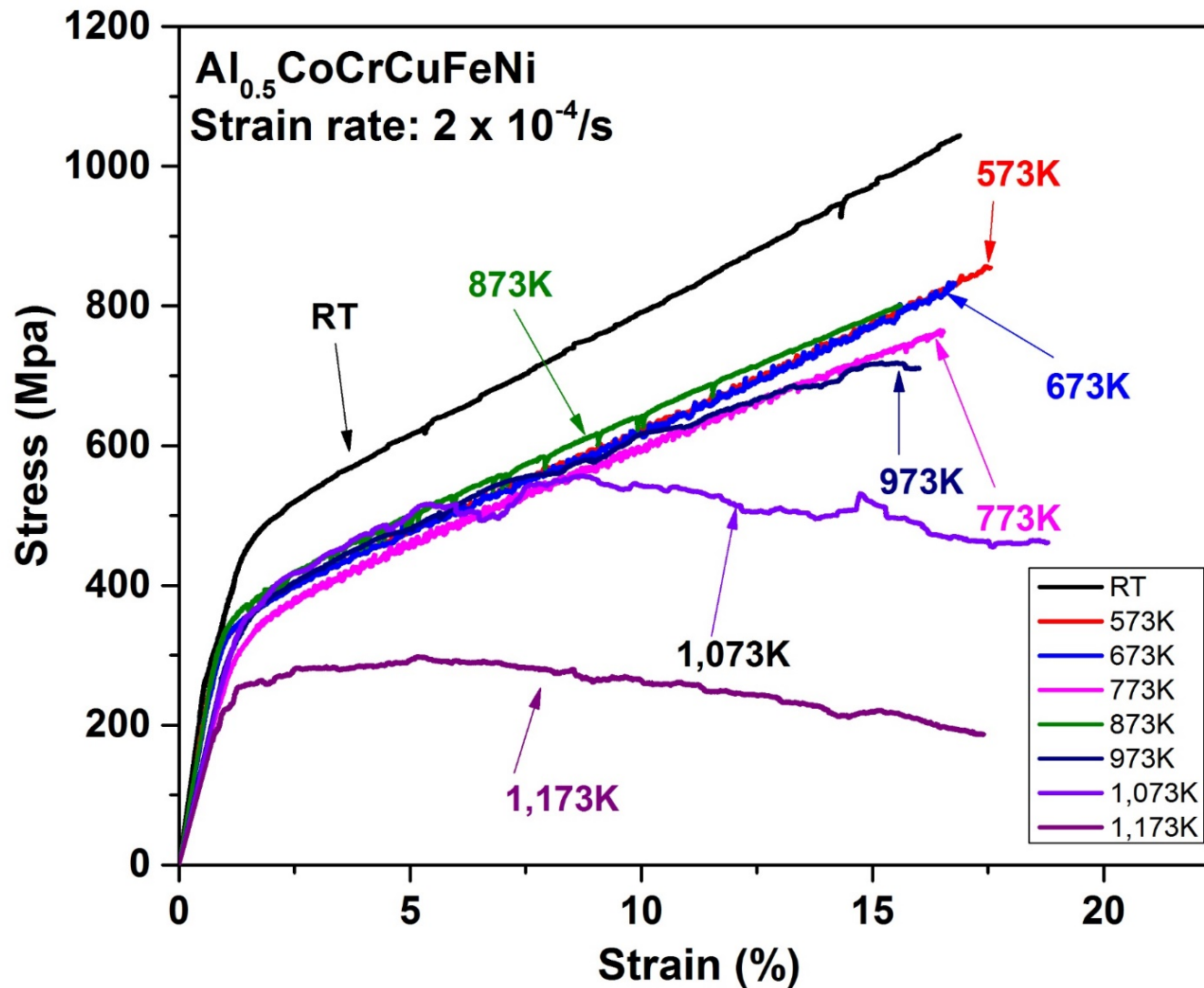


# Diffraction pattern at strain rate of $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$ with temperature of 873K



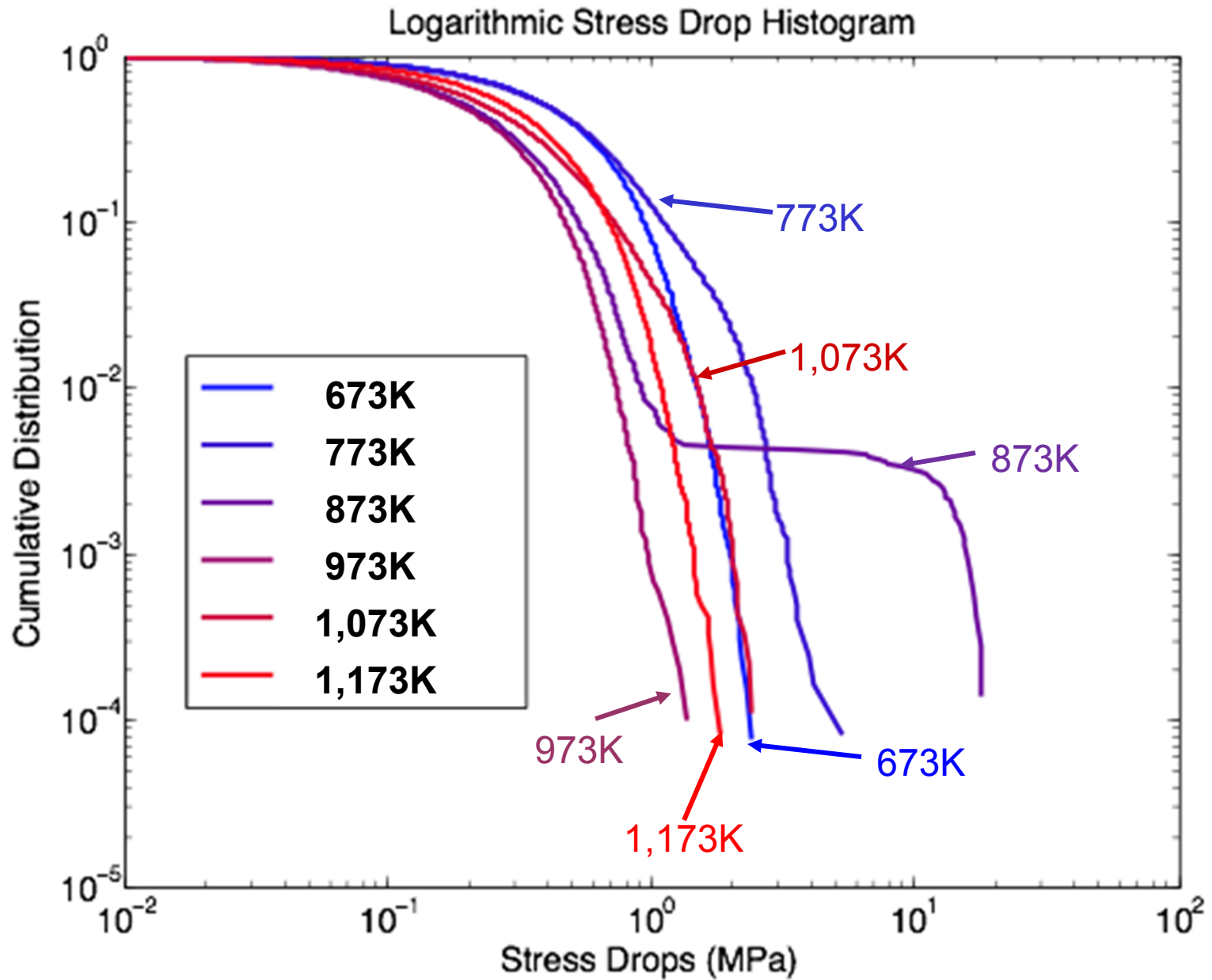
# Characterization of Serration Behavior

Stress-strain curve at strain rate of  $2 \times 10^{-4}/s$

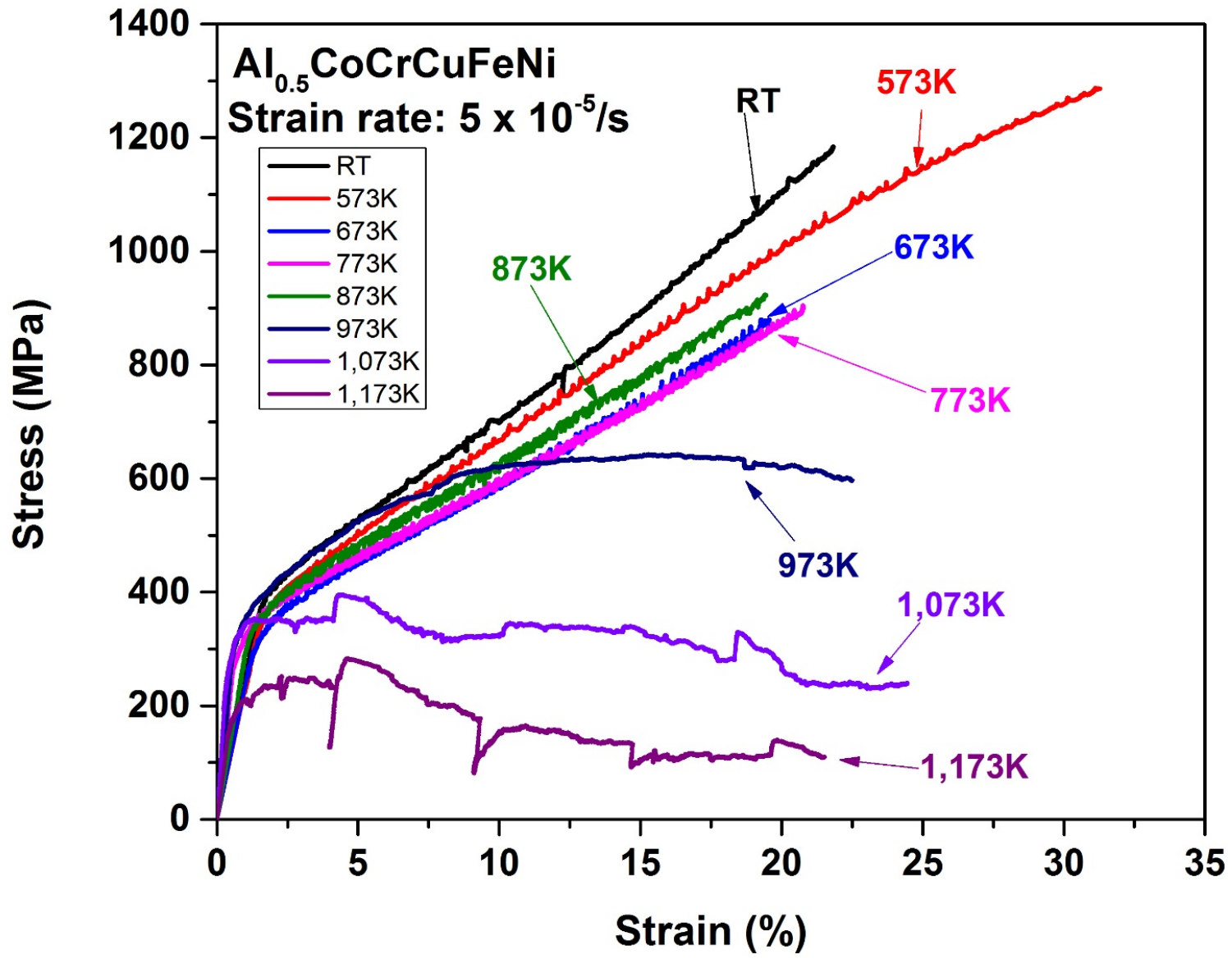




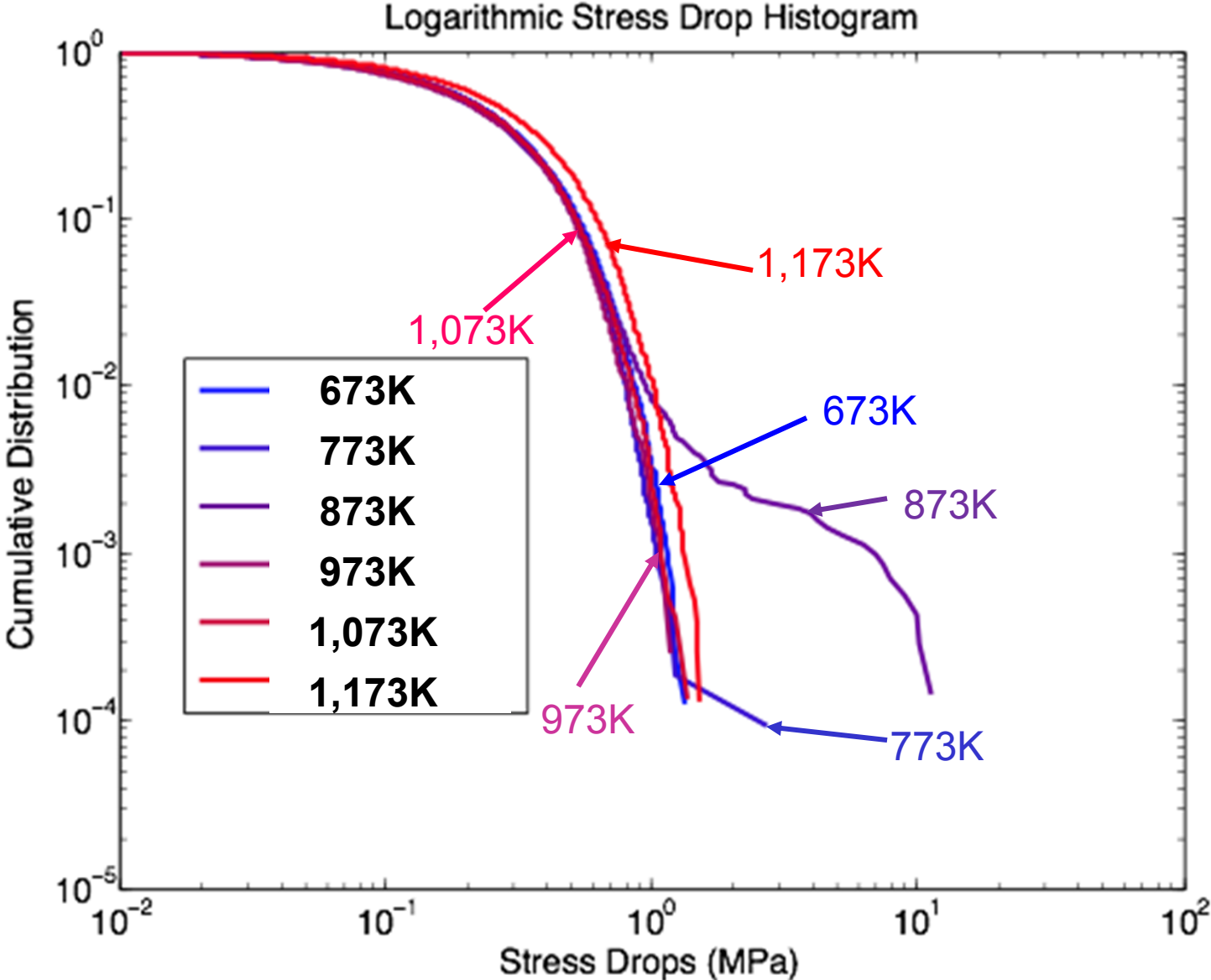
$2 \times 10^{-4}/s$



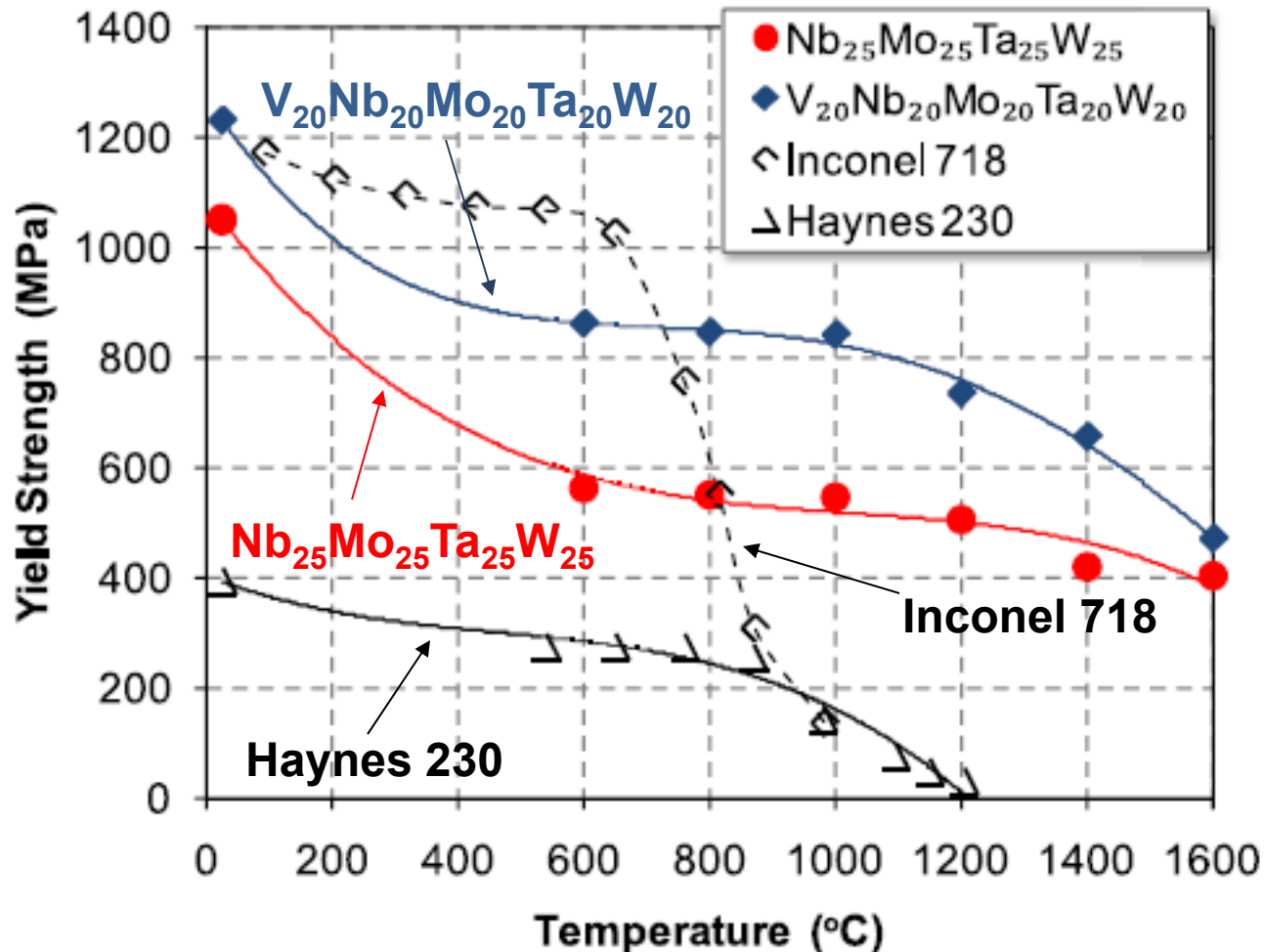
# Stress-strain curve at strain rate of $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$



$5 \times 10^{-5}/s$



## Refractory HEAs



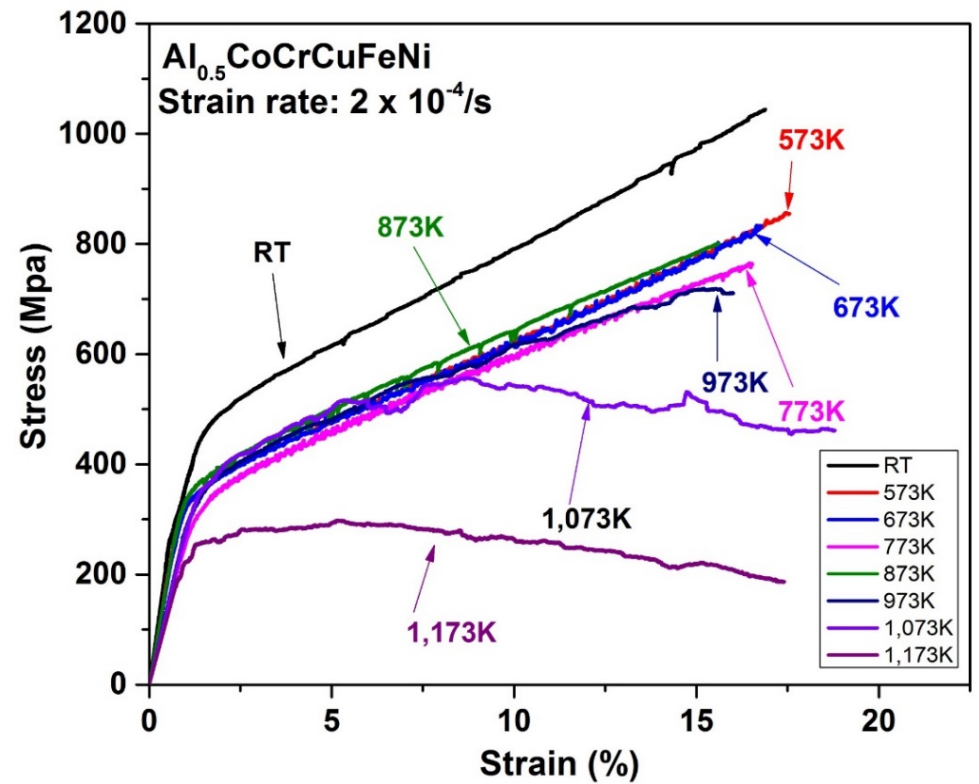
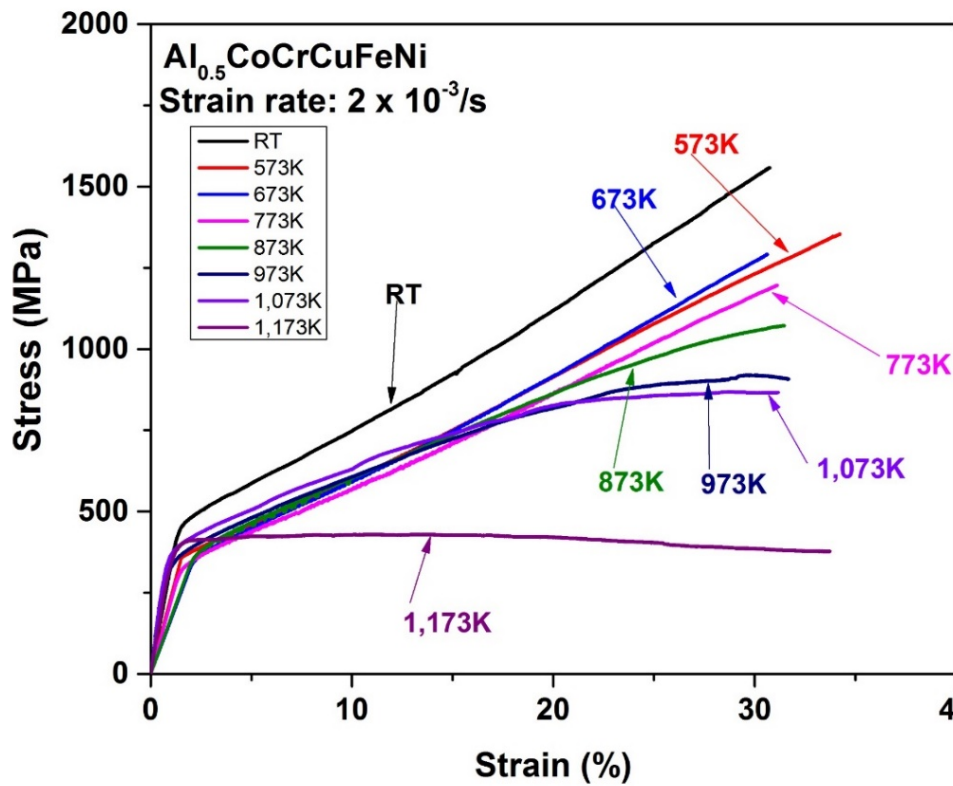
The temperature dependence of the yield stress of Nb<sub>25</sub>Mo<sub>25</sub>Ta<sub>25</sub>W<sub>25</sub> and V<sub>20</sub>Nb<sub>20</sub>Mo<sub>20</sub>Ta<sub>20</sub>W<sub>20</sub> HEAs and two superalloys, Inconel 718 and Haynes 230

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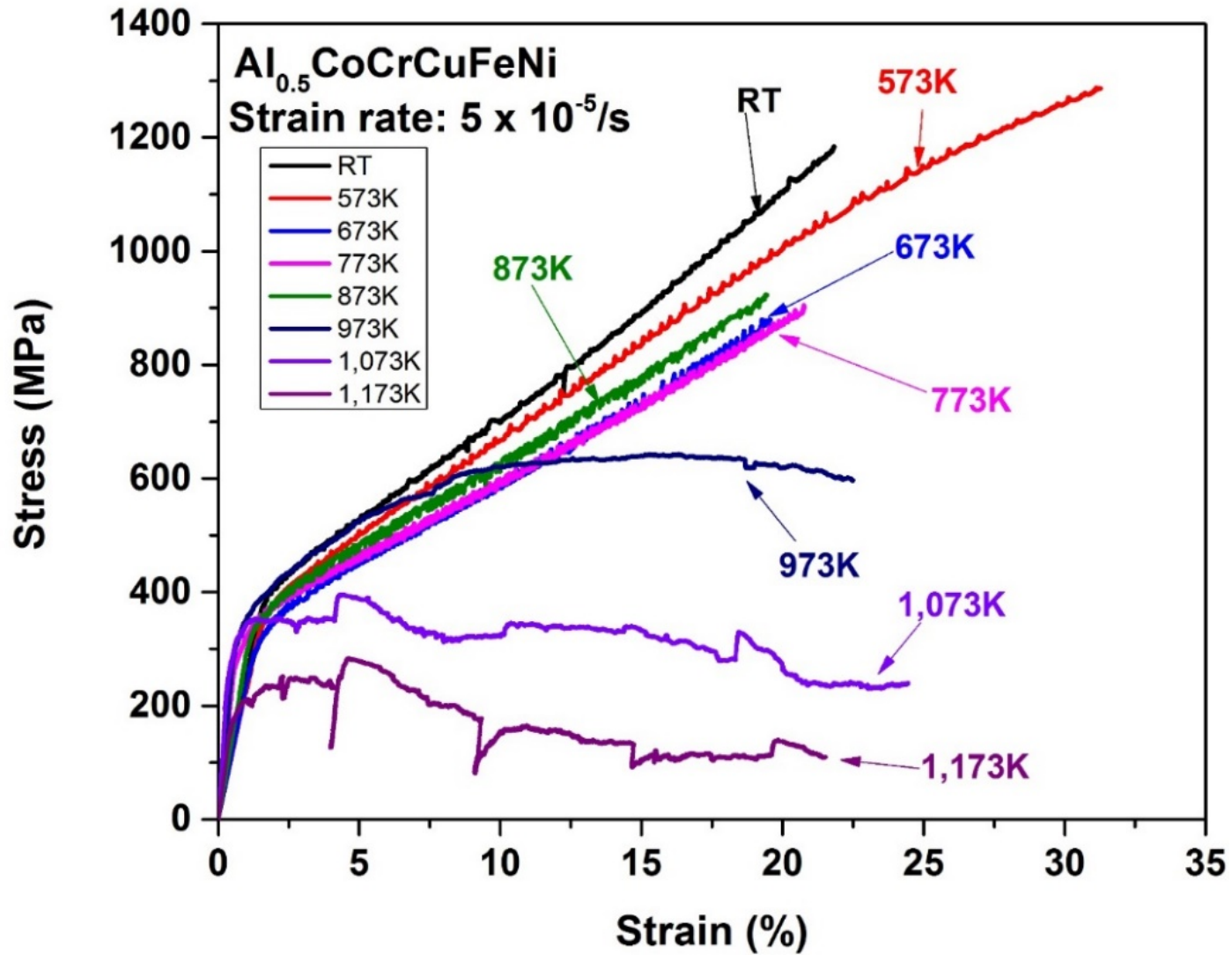
# Compression results and discussion

Strain rate:  $2 \times 10^{-3}/s$

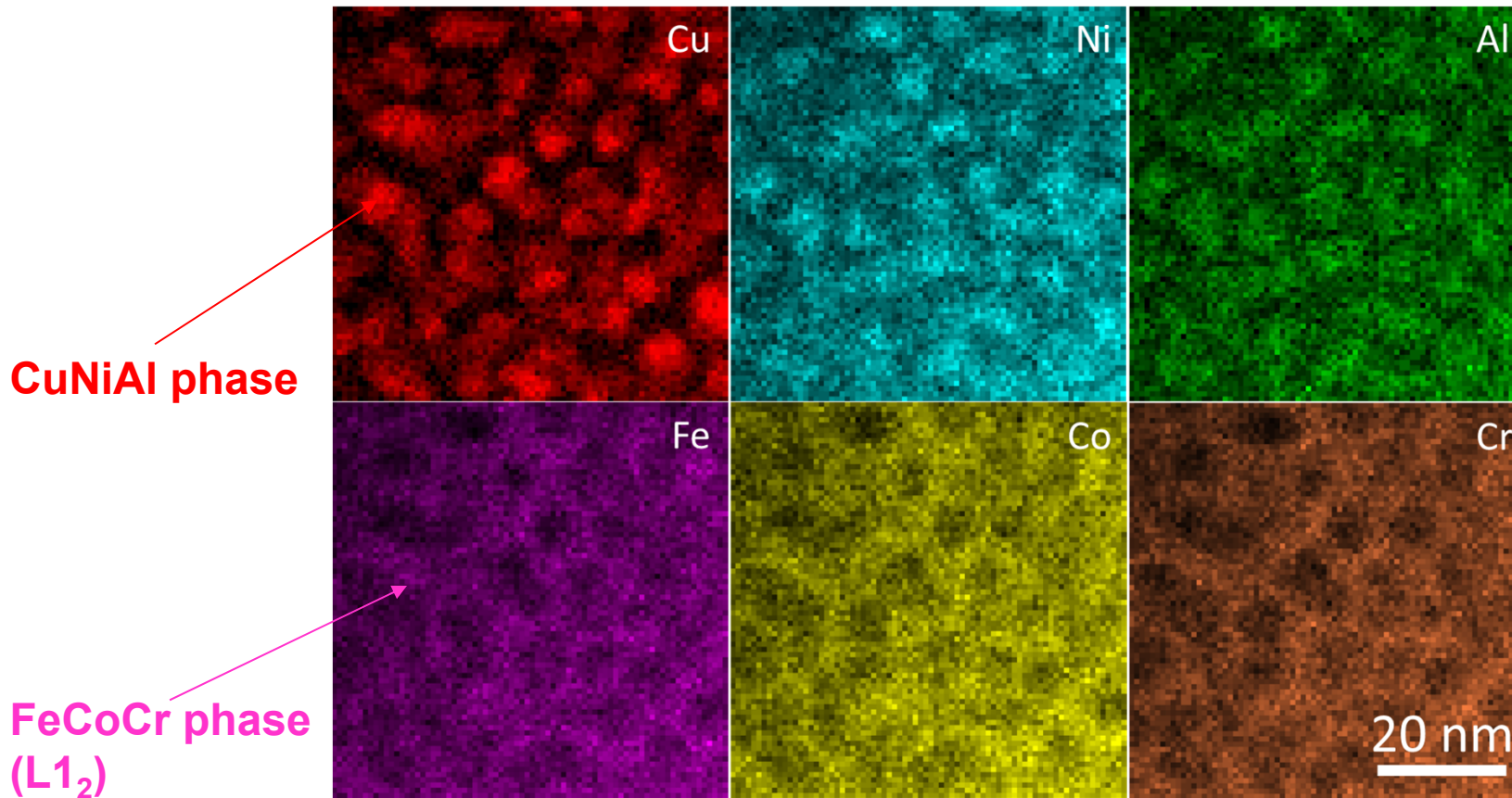
$2 \times 10^{-4}/s$



Strain rate:  $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$

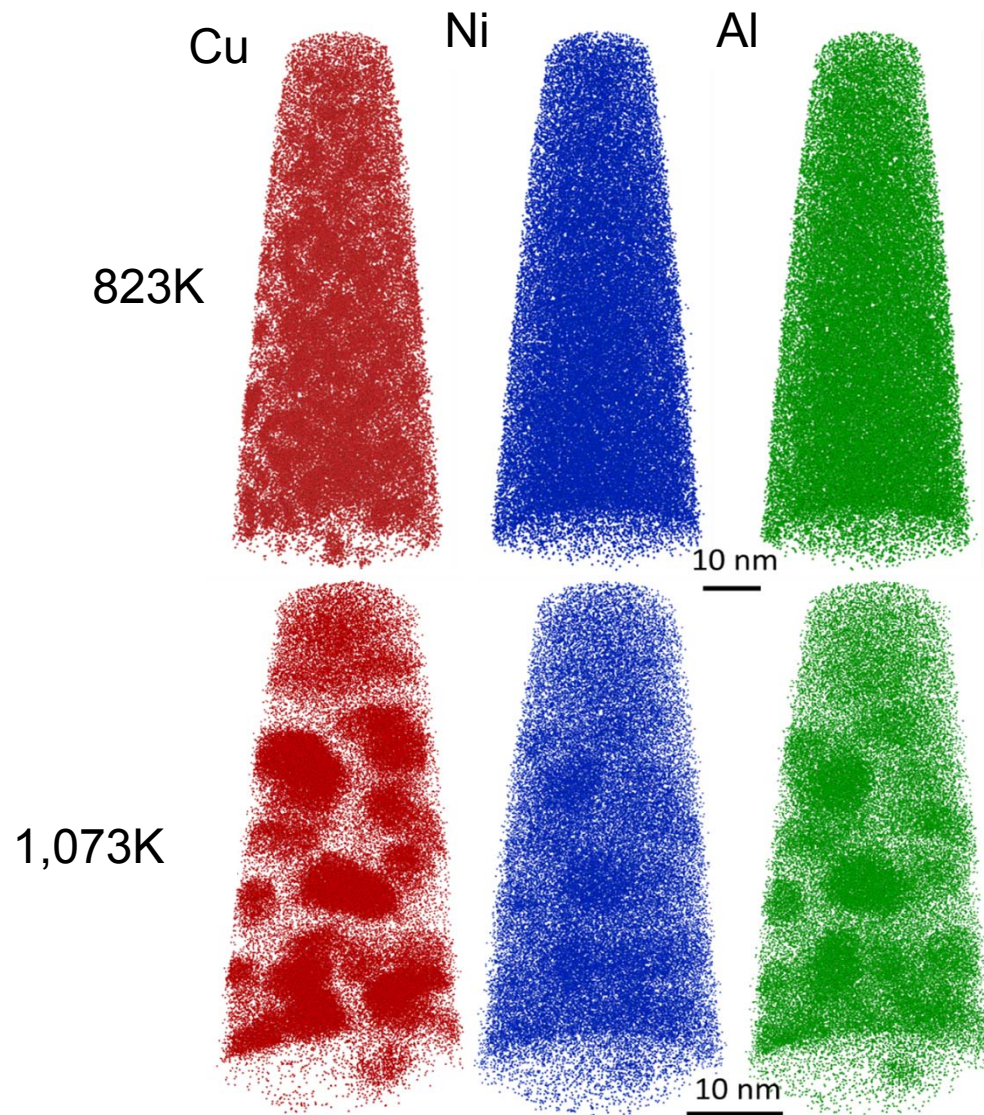


# Energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS) mapping of each element



Scanning transmission electron microscopy energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (STEM-EDS) mapping of the matrix phase in the sample compressed at 1,073K with strain rate of  $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$

Reconstructed three-dimensional (3D) atom probe tomography (APT) after compression tests at the strain rate of  $5 \times 10^{-5}/s$  with temperatures of 823K, and 1,073K



3D APT chemical mappings of the tested sample at 823K and 1,073K. The decomposition of the solid-solution phase into a NiAl phase can be seen with increasing annealing temperature.