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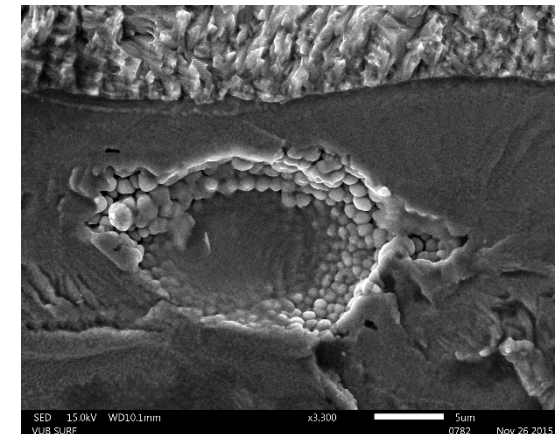
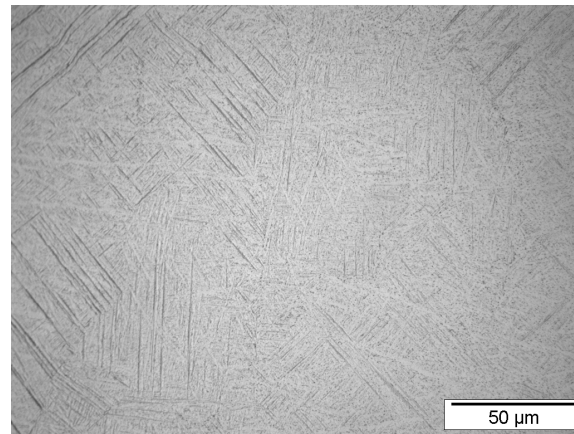
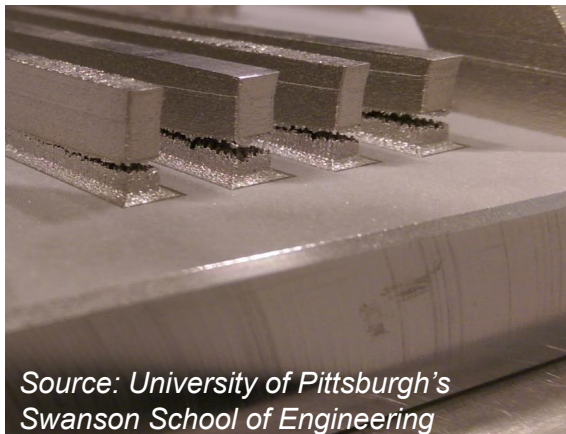
# Additive manufacturing brings new possibilities while it poses unique material processing challenges

## Challenges of the additive manufacturing process

Residual stresses

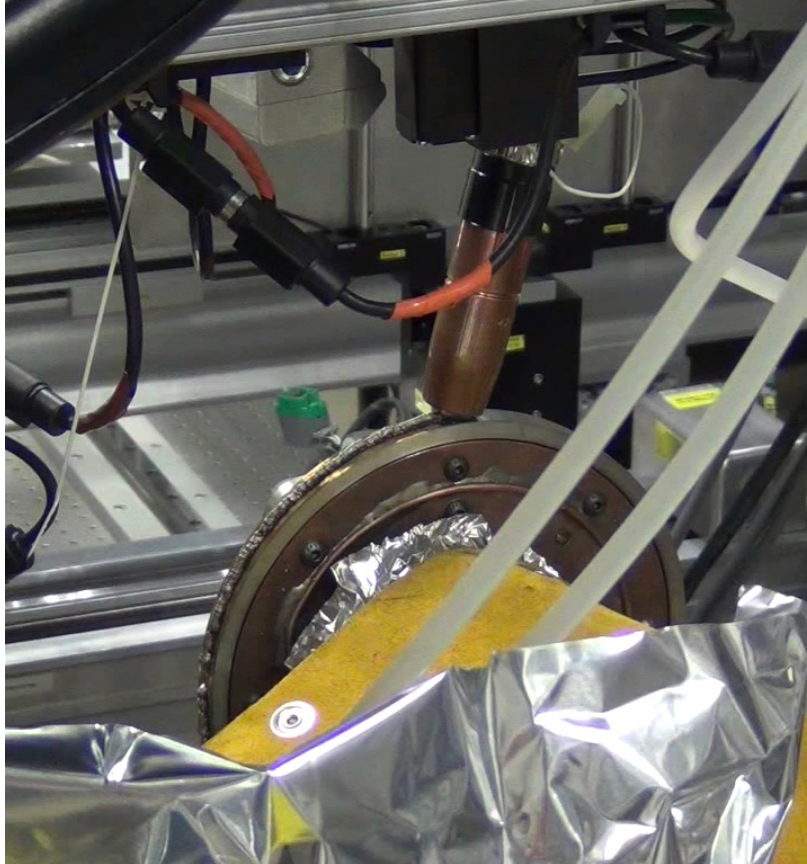
Unique microstructure

Internal defects



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# In-situ WAAM: Captured Diffraction and Contrast Imaging



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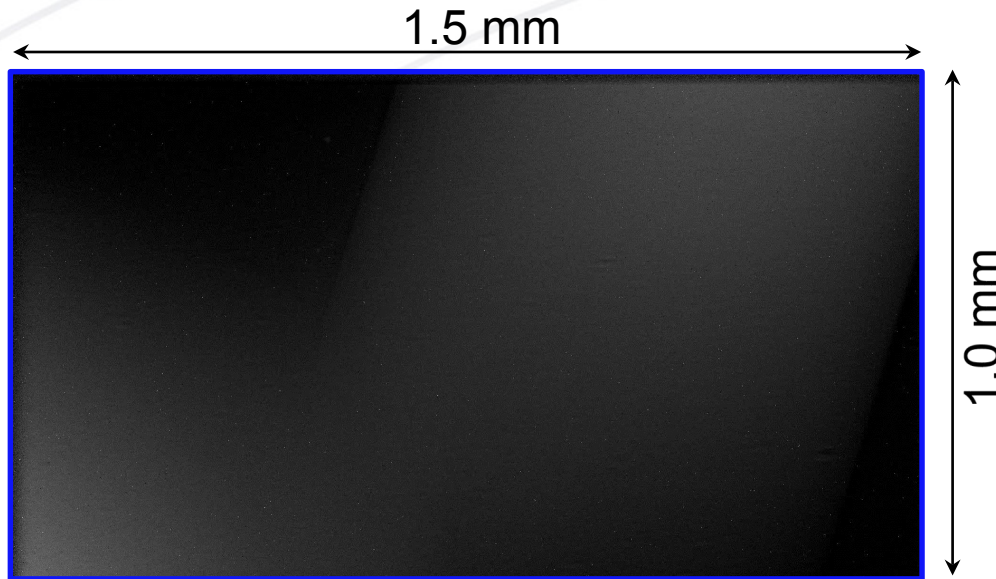
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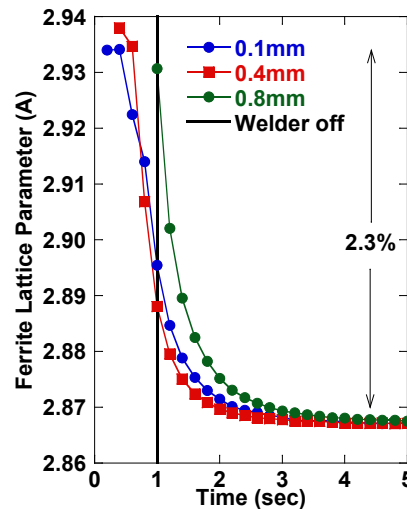
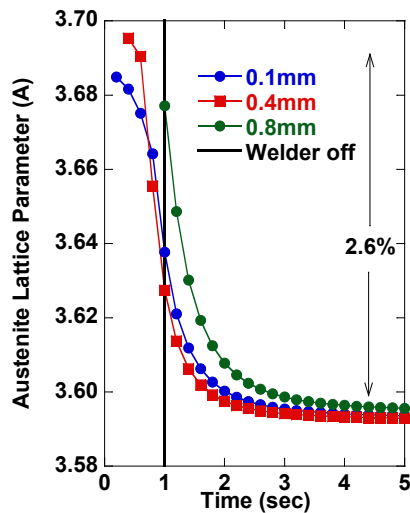
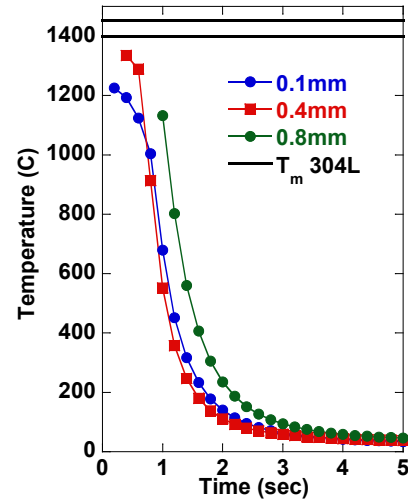
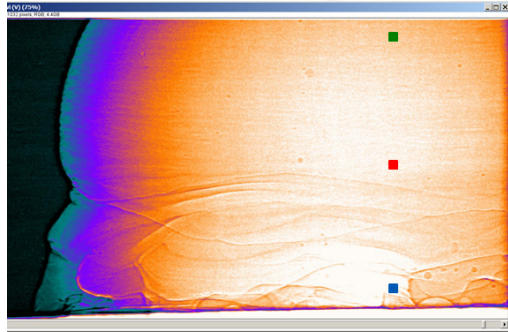


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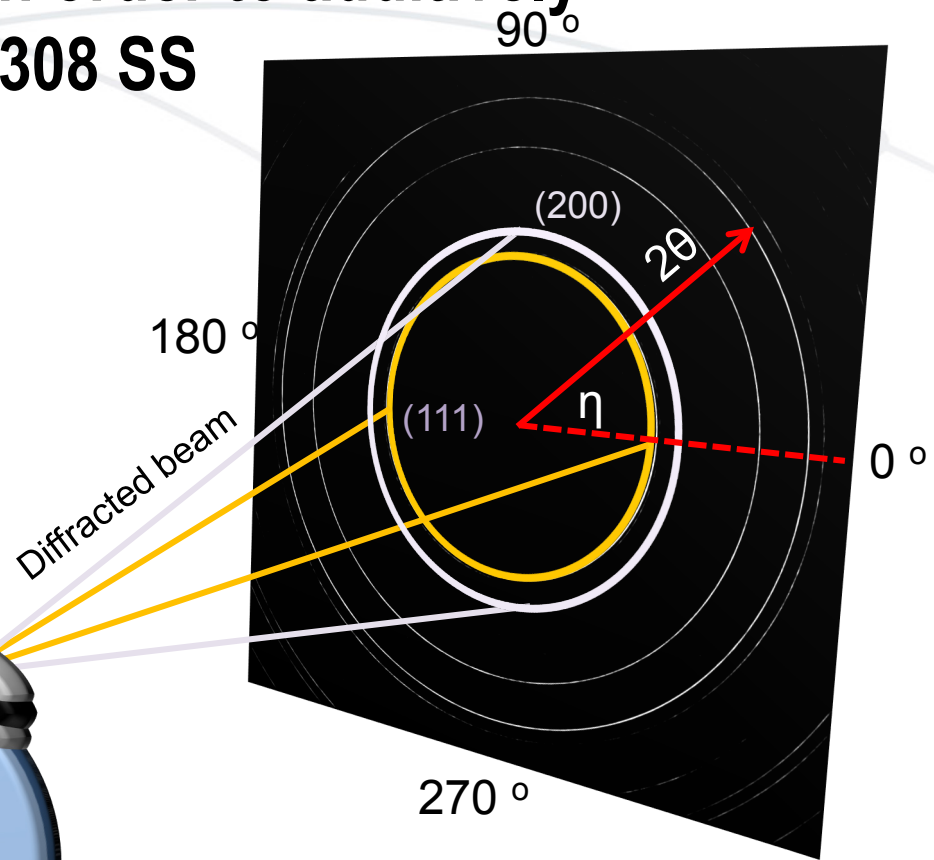
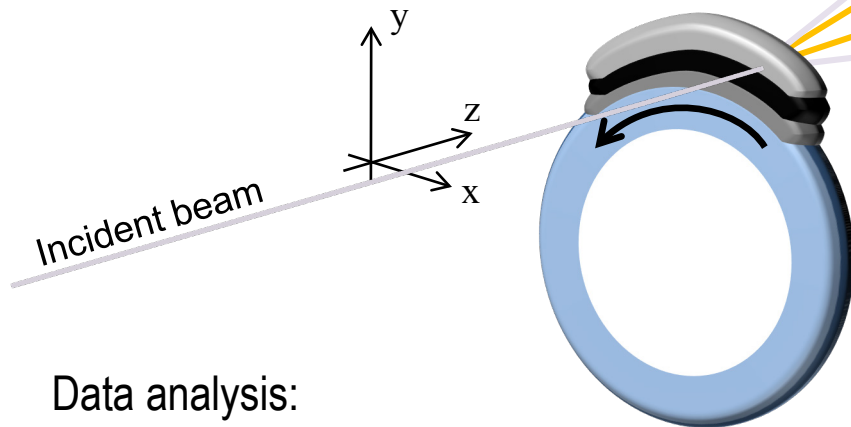
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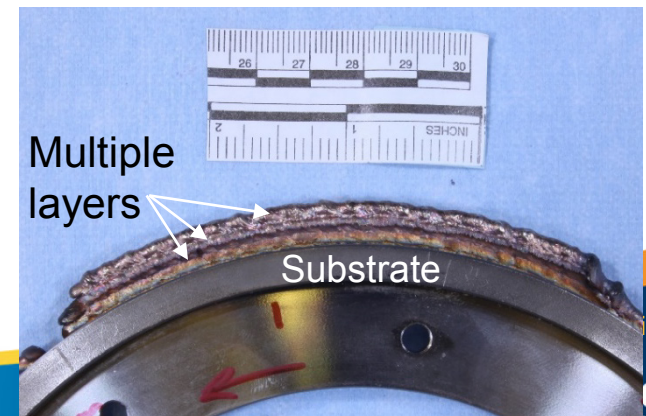
# We use cold metal transfer in order to additively manufacture thick layers of 308 SS

- Measurements conducted at 1ID, APS
  - $E=71.67\text{keV}$ ,  $\lambda = 0.171\text{\AA}$
  - Beam size  $0.2 \times 0.2\text{mm}^2$
  - Rotating wheel speed  $\sim 1\text{mm/sec}$



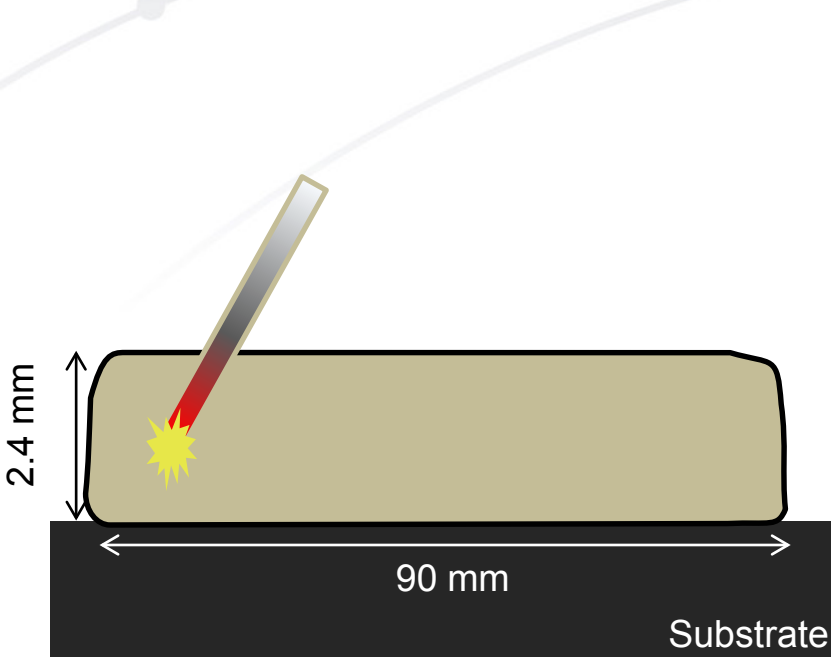
- Data analysis:
  - Data binning with GSAS-II: Cake'ing into 24 intervals ( $15^\circ$ )
  - In-plane (x-y) strains were calculated using Rietveld analysis in GSAS and Mohr's circle analysis

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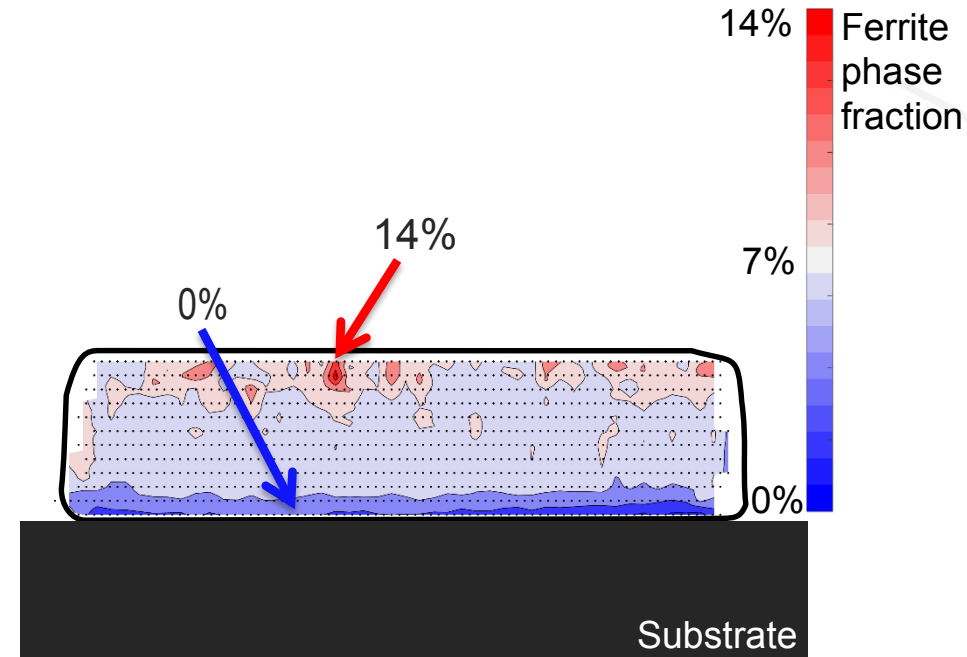




# Increased ferrite content at the top of the layer



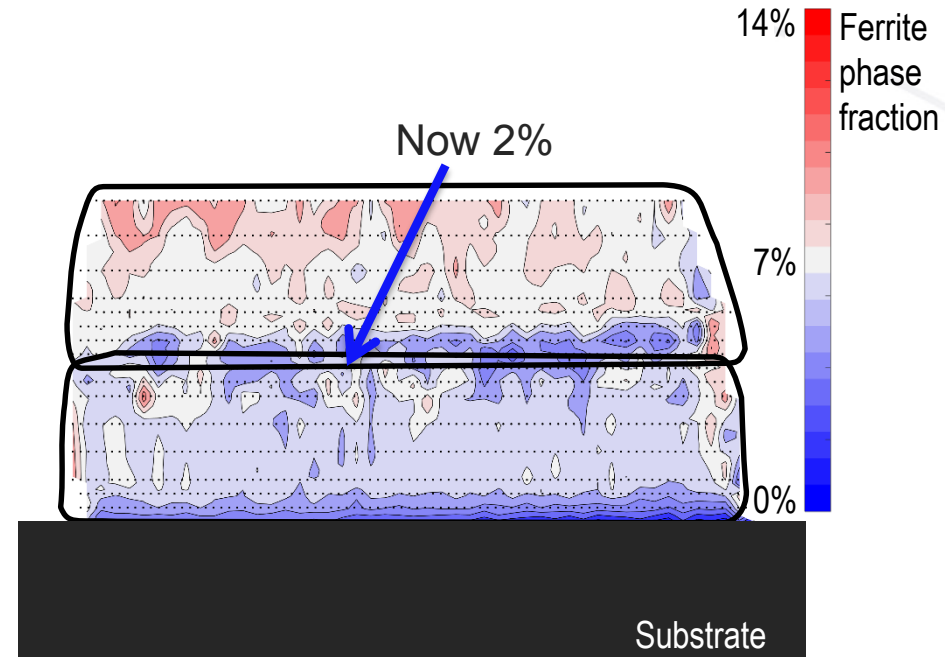
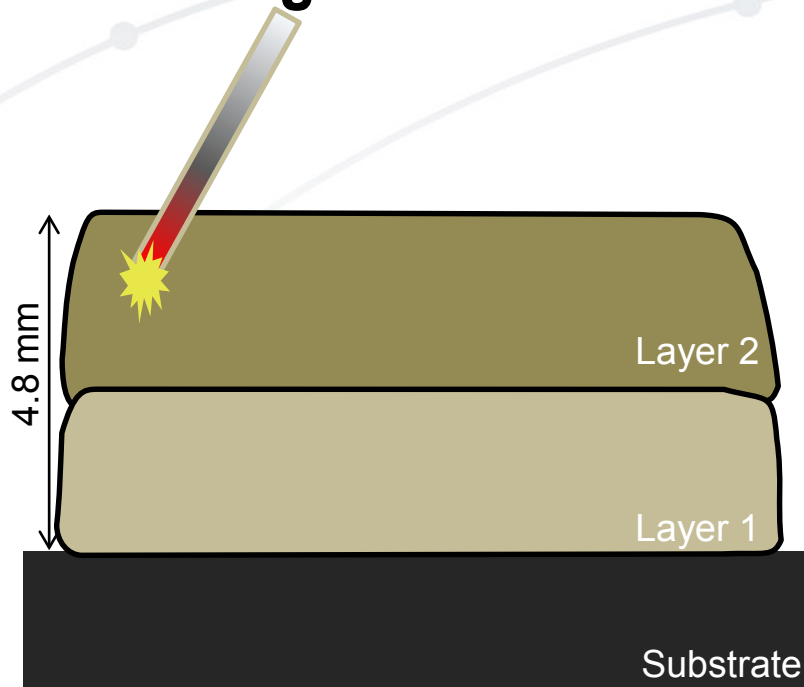
The ferrite content is minimum or zero close to the substrate



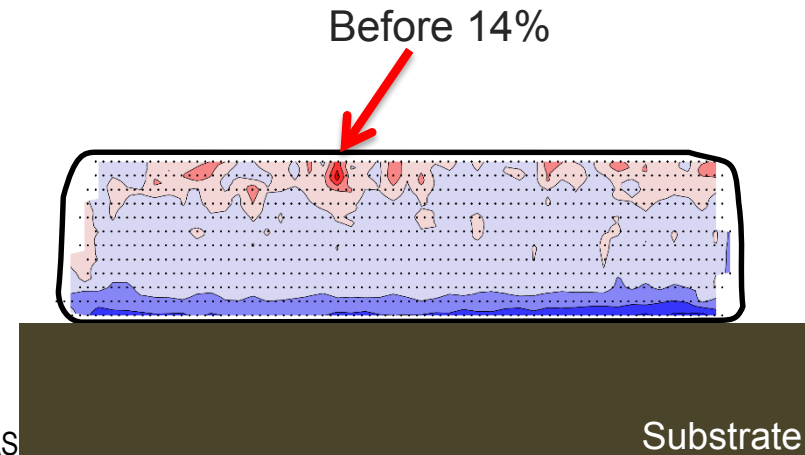
Ferrite is the minor phase in this stainless steel and can affect the mechanical properties

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# Cooling rates control the ferrite phase in stainless steel



Significant change in ferrite fraction at the interface between layers

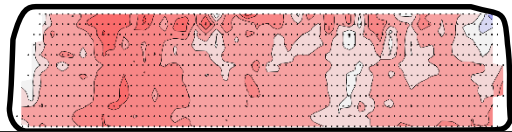
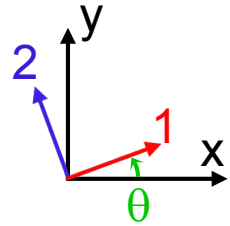


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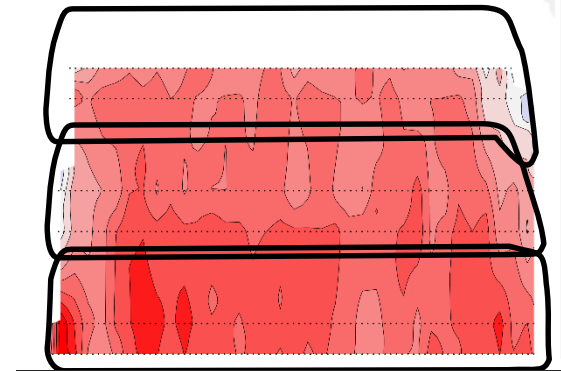
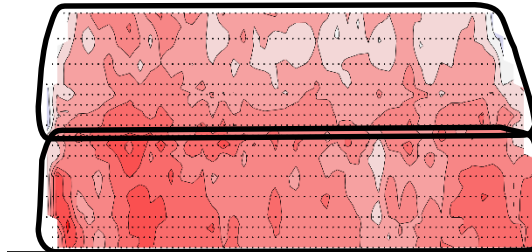
Substrate

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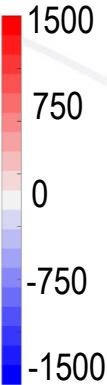
# Principal strains increase slightly with adding layers and the general trends remain the same



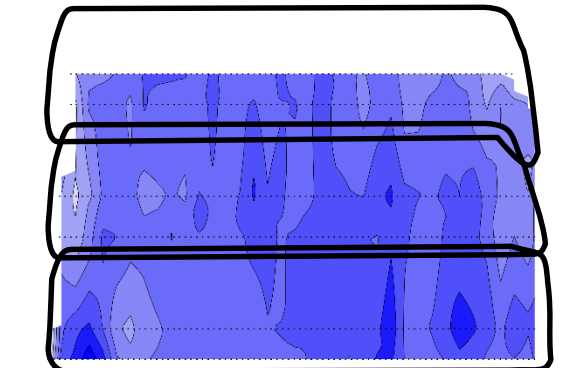
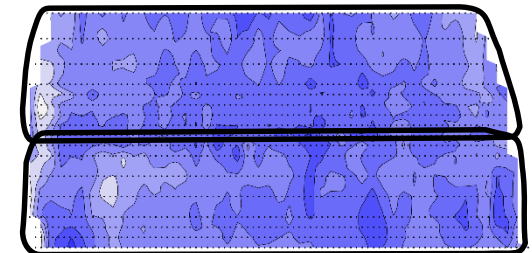
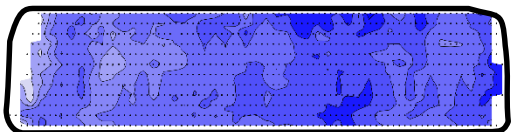
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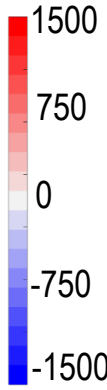
$\epsilon_1$  [ $\mu$ strain]



Welding direction



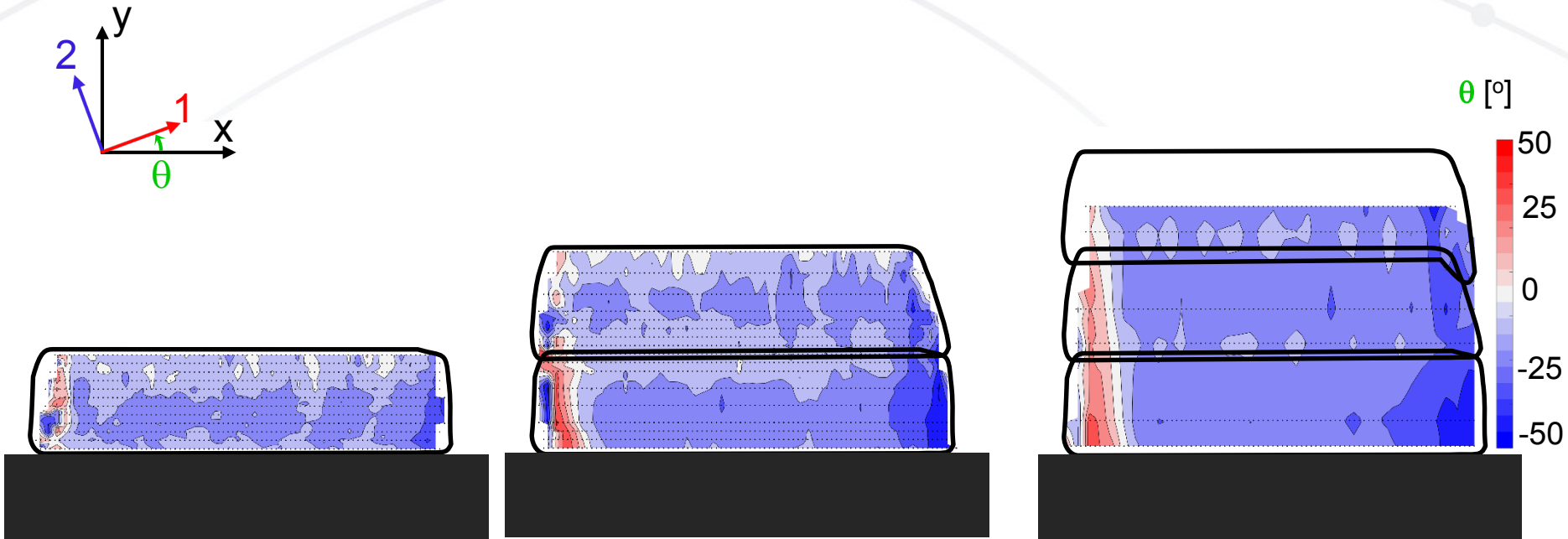
$\epsilon_2$  [ $\mu$ strain]



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The min strain component is decreasing by increasing the number of layers

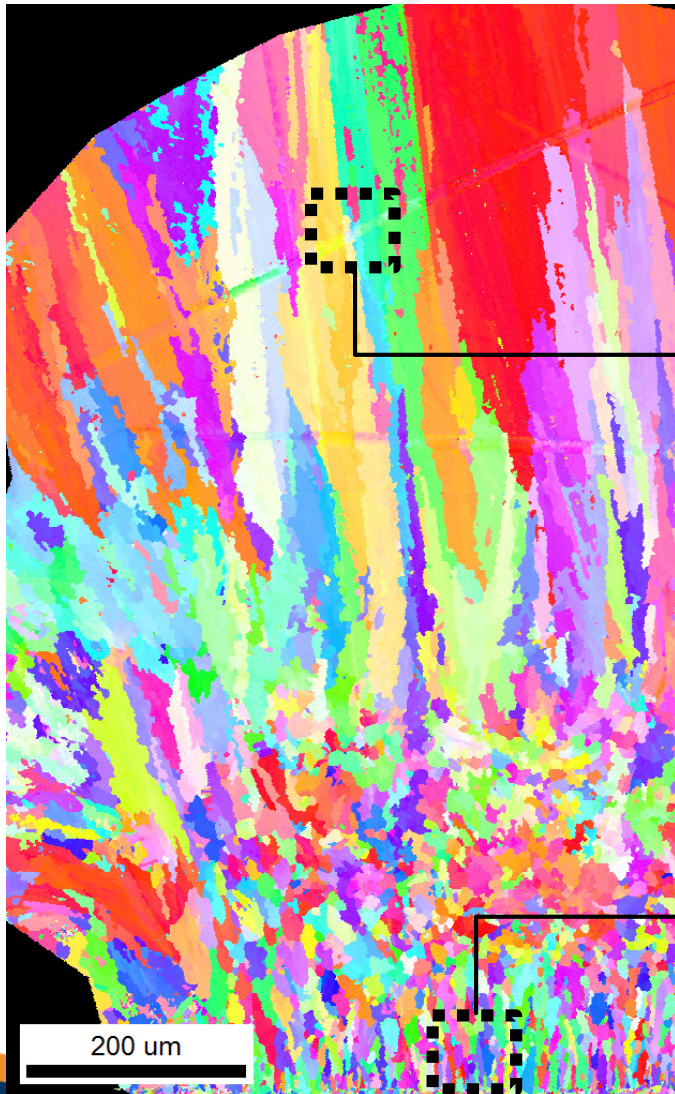
# The angle of the principals strains varies significantly at the ends of the welds, but is fairly constant in the middle



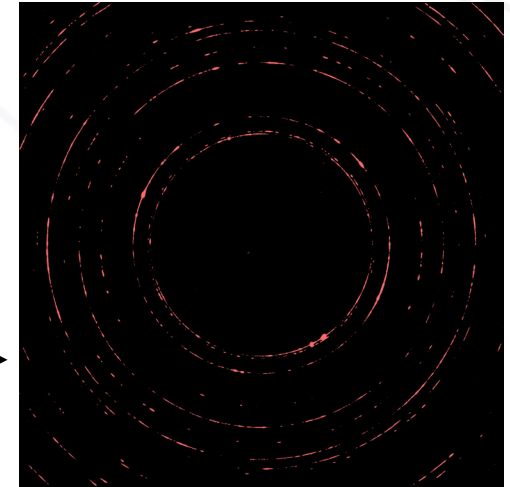
- In most of the material the rotation of the principal axes is about 10-15 degrees
  - Significant changes at the starting end and more moderate change at the finishing end

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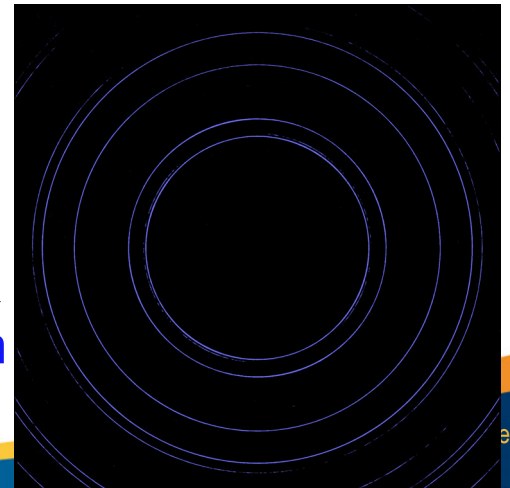
# The 2D diffraction images can provide information about the microstructure; grain size and texture



Large elongated grains  
"Spotty" pattern

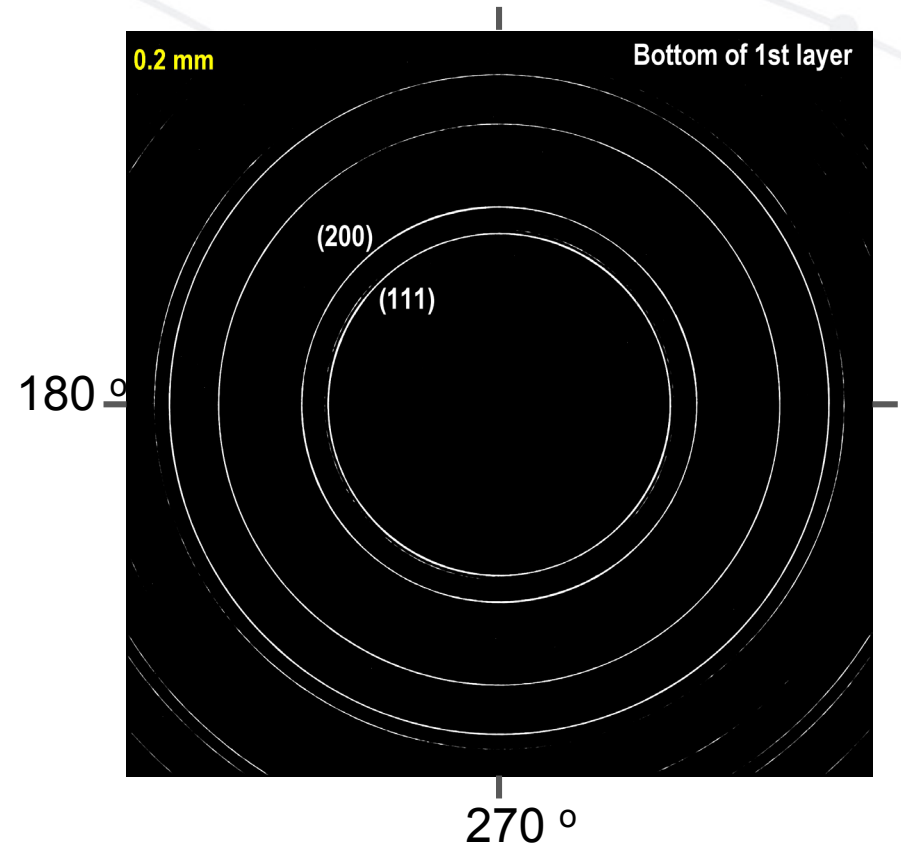
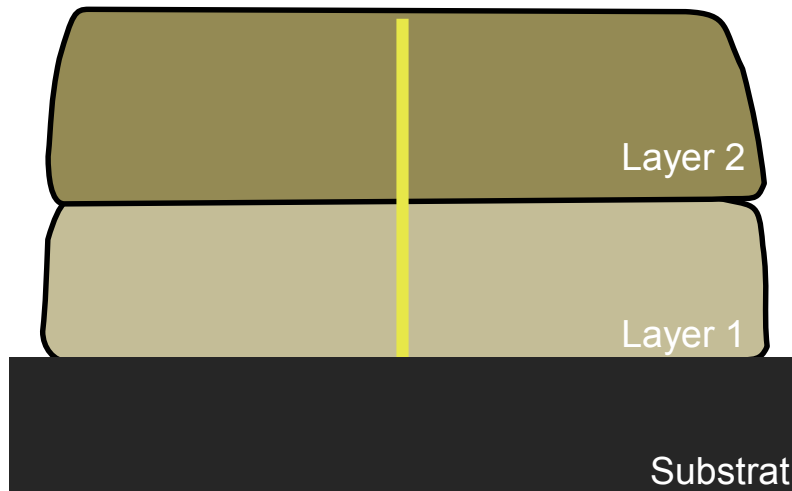


Small grains  
Continuous pattern



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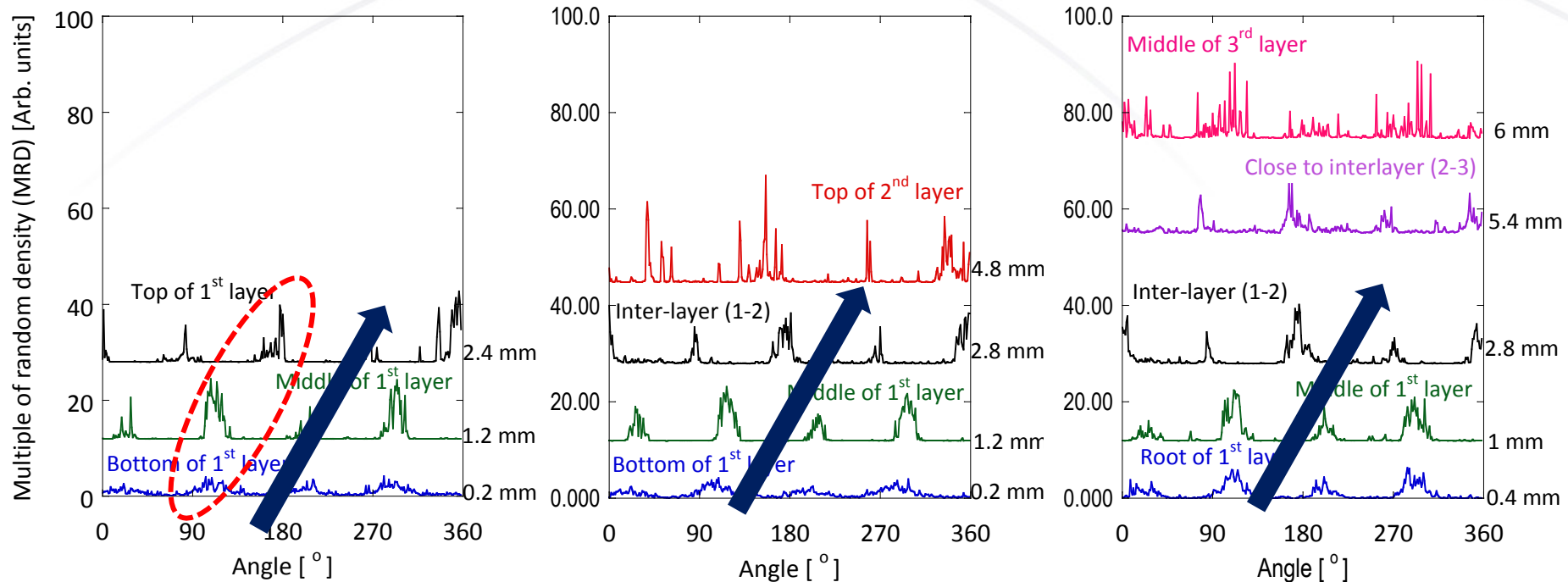
# Microstructure development: Small grains turns into bigger grains at the top of the layers



- There are small mosaic grains at the bottom of the sample and at the interlayer
- 'Rotation' of the texture of the (200) peak –epitaxial growth relationship?

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# The texture of the first layer is not affected by adding more layers on the top

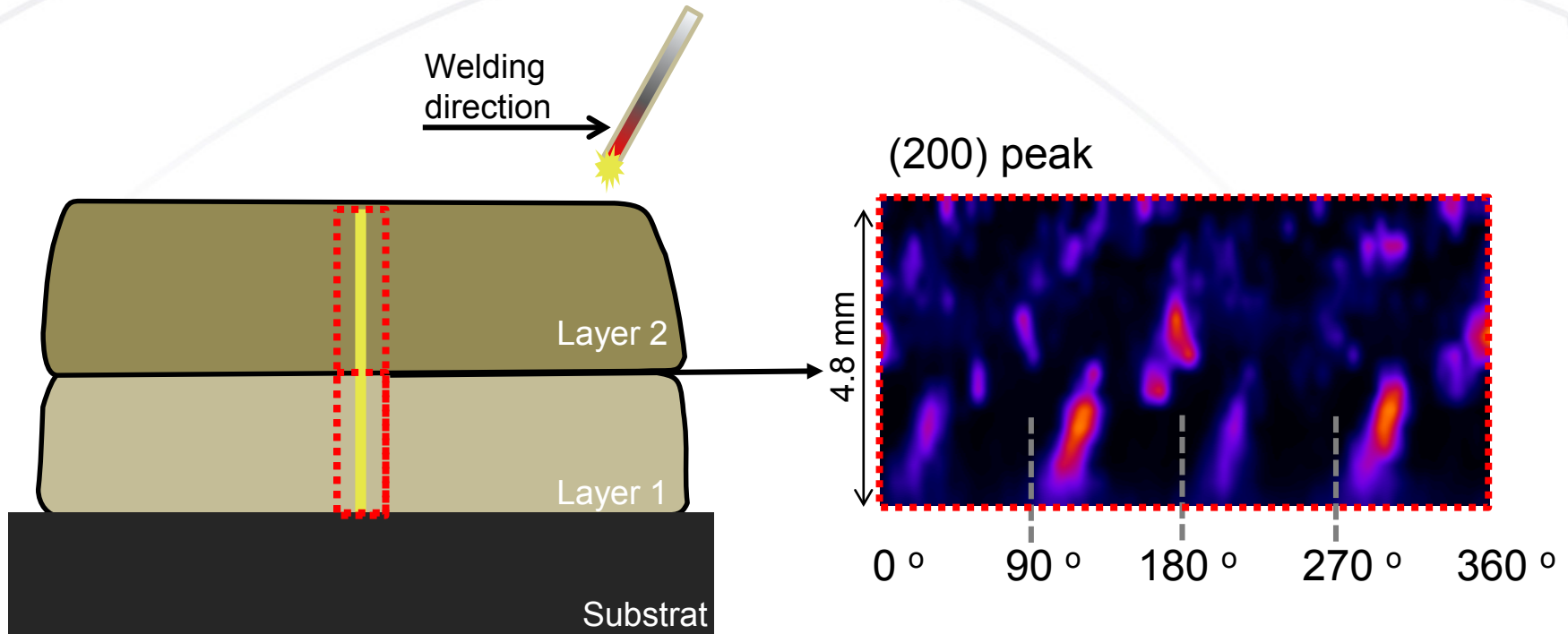


- The texture is stronger at the top of the layers
- The texture of the first layer is not affected by adding more layers on the top

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- The orientation of the texture could be associated with the grain growth direction and/or tilt of the welding torch

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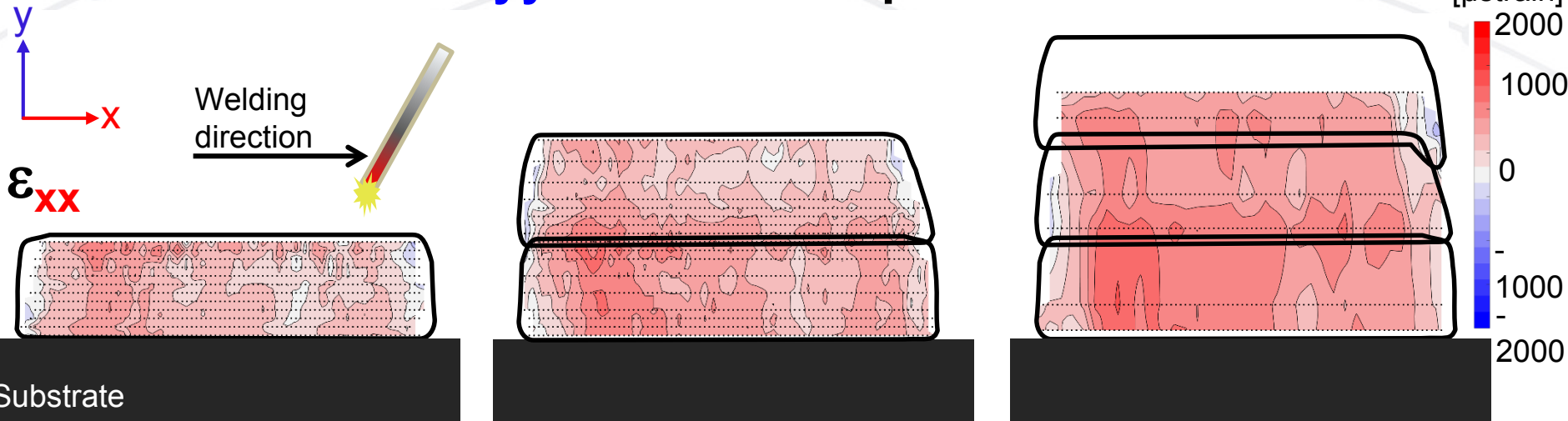
# Conclusions

- The ferrite fraction is related to the cooling rates; fast cooling rate results in lower ferrite fraction
  - At the top of a layer the ferrite fraction is increased while it is lower at the bottom and within the interlayer; Adding another layer changes the ferrite fraction at the interlayer from high to low
- The variation of the principal strains along x is not changing significantly by adding layers
- The rotation of the principal axes is strong at the start of the weld
  - Variation through the layer is washed out by adding layers on top
- A cube texture is developing within each layer.
  - Weaker texture close to the substrate and at the interlayer/re-solidified region
  - The orientation of the cube texture changes through the layers

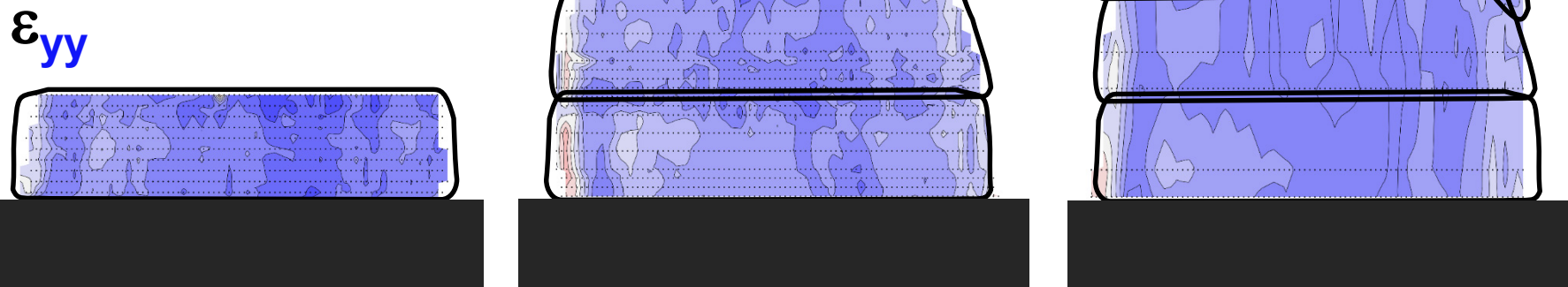
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# The Cartesian **xx** strain component (Austenite) is in tension while the **yy** is under compression

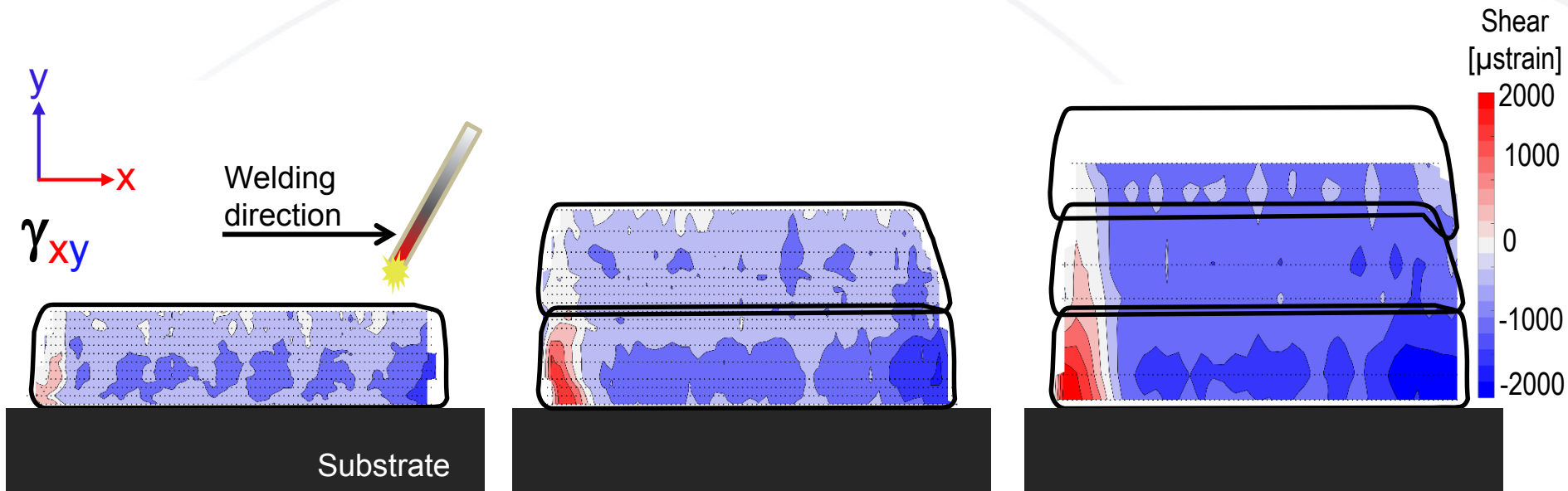


The **xx** strain component is an increasing parameter of the top layers with increasing number of layers: These points should be less constrained due to the proximity to the surface



The **yy** strain component is decreasing with increasing number of layers

# The shear strain component (Austenite) is increasing in an absolute sense with increasing number of layers



- The shear is close to zero at the top of layers not restricted by another layer
- Shear is getting more extreme by adding more layers at the top

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