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### Section: Materials Science and Advanced Characterization

- 1 Professor
- 3 Senior researchers
- 4 Researchers
- 2 Post Docs
- 3 PhD students
- 4 Technicians
- 1 Secretary
- 2 Emeritus

Very close collaboration with the section: Composite Materials and Mechanics



Materials: Light and strong metals and alloys Steels Nanostructured materials

### Processing

Rolling, extrusion, etc. Very high strain: ARB, DPD HPT Annealing

### <u>Structure</u>

Advanced electron microscopy Advanced x-ray characterization Advanced sample preparation Serial sectioning

### • Properties

Mechanical testing (KOM) Calometry Hardness Physical proporties

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Properties

Processing

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### Research

- Hard and wear resistant steel components
- Light and strong metals and alloys
- Technique development

## **Electron microscopes @ DTU Wind Energy**





### 3 SEM & 3TEM



**ZEISS SUPRA 35** 



**JEOL JMS-840** 



ZEISS EVO 60



**JEOL JEM 2100** 





JEOL JEM-3000F

JEOL JEM-2000FX



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## Mechanical test fixtures i ESEM and HR TEM

### - in-situ observations of failure mechanisms







During deformation





### 3D x-ray microscope for in-situ characterization

- μm spatial resolution
- Bulk penetration (0.1 mm 1cm)
- Non-destructive
- Fast measurements (seconds minutes)













E.M. Lauridsen and S.O. Poulsen





A. King, G. Johnson, D. Engelberg, W. Ludwig, and J. Marrow, Science (2008) **321**, 382 - 385





## Hard and strong surfaces

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## High energy shot peening

High energy shot peening was carried out in air one low carbon steel with 0.8 mm diameter high carbon steel balls (Fe-0.91 C-0.61 Si-0.6 Mn-0.021 P-0.018 S (wt.%), HRC 62). The shot velocity was 260-300 ms<sup>-1</sup>.

## Particle impact

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treatment)

### Shot-peening



## SMAT (surface mechanical attrition





	Shot-peening	SMAT
Shot size	0.05 ~ 1 mm	1 ~ 10 mm
Shot velocity	~ 100 m/s	1 ~20 m/s
Shot direction	Single direction (~ $90^{\circ}$ )	Multi-direction
		(vibration frequency: 20 ~ 50 HZ)
Temperature increase	50-100 °C	50-100 °C
Thickness of graded nanostructures	~ 20 µm	~ 40 µm

Graded nanostructures produced by sliding enable characterization of the structural scale from 10 to 10,000nm.





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Graded nanostructure in Cu produced by127mm friction deformation under 12MPa viewed in cross-section by TEM, with schematic.

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Microstructure Characterizations



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# Flow stress ( $\sigma$ ) as a function of boundary spacing ( $D_{av}$ )



# Stress distribution in a graded shot peened surface layer



□ Determined directly by micro hardness (minimum distance from surface about 25 µm)

 $\Box$  Determined indirectly based on a master curve for the relationship between  $\sigma$  and  $D_{av}$  for bulk samples



## Nanohardness







Calculated flow stress and transformed flow stress from nanohardness versus distance from the surface.

## **Applications**





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# Structure control and void formation in dual phase steels

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Higher tensile strength steels are often applied for automobiles.

## Background 1 -Mechanical properties of high strength steels





### **DP(ferrite and martensite)**



- Ferrite grains ensure uniform elongation.
- Martensite particles give strength.

**Excellent combination of** ultimate tensile strength and uniform elongation



## Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM, EVO60)



## Void formation after tempering at 500°C.





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## Void formation behavior at ferrite/martensite interface during in-situ tensile test



## **Summery of project**

- 1. In-situ observation is a powerful technique to follow the evolution of void formation in dual phase steels.
- 2. In dual phase steels, voids in martensite dominate the behaviour because of the large number density and area fraction of voids and their early formation.
- 3. Control of microstructural parameters, such as hardness and volume fraction of martensite, can be used to control the void formation.

## **REWIND project**



## Knowledge-based engineering for improved <u>re</u>liability of critical <u>wind</u> turbine components



#### Coordinator: Jesper Hattel

- **Funding:** Det Strategiske Forskningsråd (DSF) Total : 30.1 mio. DKK + medfinan. 15,5 mio. DKK MAC Wind: 3.7 mio. DKK
- Partners: DTU Mekanik, Risø DTU, AAU-BYG, HelmHoltz-Zentrum für Materialen, Indian Institute of Technology, DONG Energy A/S, Vattenfall A/S R&D, Vestas A/S og MAGMA GmbH
- Material: Steel in drivetrain
- **Periode:** 1 January 2011 31 December 2016 (MAC: 2011-14)

Failure analysis, defect classification, modelling of defects and material properties

### Cheaper and more reliable wind turbines

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## The structure of cast iron



Grey cast iron (graphite flakes)



SG iron



Size, shape and distribution of graphite nodules as input for FE models.

Main shaft
# FE simulation of crack growth in the real microstructures





#### Future research directions Characterization, modeling and optimization



- Hard, wear and friction resistant materials including processing of surfaces
- Fatigue properties and fatigue resistant materials including processing of surfaces
- Failure and damage: Non-destructive 3D characterization using x-ray tomography of structures and structural defects (components micrometer – nanometer scales)
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# Nanoindentation







# Load-displacement curve and SPM



Load-controlled nanoindentation test on single crystal (100) Al showing dislocation activity throughout the testing cycle



Four indents in copper as imaged by *in situ* SPM imaging mode

#### Scanning probe microscopy (SPM)

# **Hardness Mapping**



Figure 2: a) Optical micrograph of a grid of **TriboIndenter** indents superimposed on a twin and grain boundaries in Copper strained to 5%. (b) Corresponding hardness map indicates that the twin boundary is locally harder than the matrix material.





Hardness map showing distinct ferrite and martensite phases.



## Microhardness

The application of microhardness testing with fairly large indents did only measure the hardness up to about 25 µm from the surface, which with reference to the figure exclude the hardest part of the structure.







# Measuring wear resistance at the nanoscale



## Modulus Mapping of a Metal Oxide Film



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5μm

20µm



#### Grain growth during recrystallization in weakly rolled aluminum single crystal



Schmidt, S., Nielsen, S.F., Gundlach, G., Margulies, L., Huang, X., Juul Jensen, D., Science, 2004, 229-232.

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# **Shot-peening**

e: 60 - 30  $\mu m$  from surface



f: 30 - 0 µm from surface







Inner surface

Black line: high angle boundary (Misorientation angle > 15°)

#### Hard and wear resistant steel components



- Characterize structure to determine stress and strain gradients as input for numerical modelling of e.g. friction and wear
- Develop reliable testing techniques (e.g. microsamples) to analyse structure and properties of components damaged by impact, wear or fatigue

#### Light and strong metals and alloys

- Optimize strength and formability by thermomechanical processing – bulk samples and multilayers
- Advance analytical and numerical modelling of receivery and recrystallization through 2D and 3D characterization

#### **Technique development**

- Implement and develop techniques for characterization of damaged samples
- Develop techniques for optimizing metals including surface hardening



# Reliability

- Materials parameters into the modeling of drive train components
- Effects of local inhomogeneties



## **Grain Growth Kinetics in Titanium**

#### High fidelity 3-D synchrotron imaging techniques and robust phase field modeling allow capture of anisotropy effects

- Development of advanced non-destructive 3-D imaging tools based on phase-contrast X-ray tomography and diffraction contrast X-ray tomography.
- Acquisition of large (1000+ grains) data sets providing direct insight to the grain evolution in Ti-β-21S during grain growth.
- Developed a 3-D anisotropic phase field model for cubic materials.
- Simulated grain evolution in a Ti-β-21S sample with over 1200 grains.
- By comparing the morphologies of individual grains predicted by simulation with those measured experimentally we find that:
  - a) The morphological evolution of a grain depends only on its local ensemble of grains.
  - b) The mobilities of a grain's boundaries can vary by orders of magnitude and depend strongly on the grain boundary normal.
  - c) Even without accounting for anisotropy in the grain boundary energy the model is capable of predicting surprisingly accurate morphologies and topologies in the isotropic regions of the experimental dataset.



3-D experimental data of Ti-β-21S. Left: Initial structure used in the phase field simulation comprising more than 1200 grains. Right: Subset showing the grain structure before and after grain growth, respectively.



Comparison of an ensemble of grains in simulation with experiment

# MAC - Materials Science and Advanced

Senior researchers	4	Close collaboration	with KOM
Researchers	3		
Engineers	0		
Postdocs	2		
PhD students	4		
Technicians	3		
Secretary	1	2012	
Guest scientists	3	Journal papers	16
		Conference papers	30
		Books	1

# Externally funded projects (MAC)

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- BladeKing (KOM)
- Rewind (MEK)
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- Wear in Rails
- Materials for fusion (MEK)
- ViNaT (KOM)
- New Electron microscope

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# Danish-Chinese Center for Nanometals 2009-2015 25mil DKK (DTU)





Shenyang National Laboratory (CAS)





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Nanohardness approaching the surface of peened specimen: (a) SEM micrograph showing one line of the nanoindents and (b) nanohardness versus distance to surface. The white dashed line in (a) shows the position of the surface.

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# Cold drawn high-carbon steel wires



---- highest strength of all mass-produced steel products, > 5GPa

#### Cables for suspension bridges



Springs



#### Steel cords for automobile tires



Potential use in wind mills

BladeKing



# REWIND







Pitting, flaking, spalling and cracking

# **Butterflies and WEA**









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# **On-going major collaborations**



#### <u>Universities</u>

- Leuven, Belgium
- Ecoles de Mines, France
- Manchester, UK
- Cambridge, UK
- Leoben, Austria
- Ghent, Belgium
- NTNU, Norway
- Oak Ridge, USA
- Sandia National Laboratory, USA
- Argonne National Laboratory, USA
- Berkley, USA
- Tsinghua, China
- IMR Shenyang, China
- Chongqing, China
- Kyoto, Japan

#### Industry

- Bekaert, Belgium
- Tata Steel, India, The Netherlands, UK
- Nippon Steel and Sumitomi Group, Japan
- Baosteel, China
- Fasten Group, China

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- MEK
- FYS
- CEN
- IMM
- Nanotek

# 3D X-ray microscopes now also at APS in USA, SPring 8 in Japan and Hasylab in Germany

# ESRF in France: 3D X-ray nanoscope



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#### Technique development

- Implement and develop techniques for characterization of damaged samples (incl lab residual stress measurements)
- Develop techniques for optimizing metals including surface hardening
- Superusers of all relevant 3D/4D techniques with focus on research results



# **Initiated new collaborations**

- Delft University
- Inst. für Eissenf. Düsseldorf
- Aachen University
- LORC
- Force
- Siemens Wind Power
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### New

#### **Equipment**

- Lab x-ray tomography
- Lab x-ray residual stress
- Nanometal processing and testing
- (Atom probe microscope)

#### Staff increase

- 1-2 senior researcher
- 1-2 researchers
- 1 development engineer
- 1-2 technician
- 4-5 PhDs and PDs

## My own research areas

- Spatial and temporal variability and effects hereof on performances of materials
- Crack initiation and growth relations to microstructures (use 4D methods)
- Research output from 3D and 4D methods

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## **Butterfly cracks in bearings**



SEM image of butterfly crack starting from an inclusion and a cross section through a butterfly crack made by a FIB.



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Microstructure of the surface layer in the shot-peened specimen cut by focused ion beam with the surface protected by deposited platinum. The white dashed line shows the position of the peened surface.

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Power law relationship between boundary area per unit volume ( $S_v$ ) and von Mises strain ( $e_{vM}$ ) for the steel deformed by cold rolling and shot peening.





 $\epsilon_{\text{vM}}$  as a function of distance from surface of peened steel



## **Processing of Surfaces**

## Graded structure in Cu produced by surface plastic deformation



GNG: graded nanograins CG: coarse grains



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To perform materials science and development on a high international level with focus in particular on materials and components for wind energy applications

To advance existing techniques and to implement new characterization techniques and data analysis tools to match the needs of the scientific and engineering projects

*Covering the whole range from basic science to applications* 

Work on length scales from nanometer to meter