

# Development of Non-Equilibrium Thermodynamic Tools for Additive Manufacturing

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## **CALPHAD data: for mechanical/thermal FEA modeling**



- Data is not always available for specific heats of material
- General 'alloy' data may be available from a handbook, but this is usually a constant value
- How do you tweak your model when the chemistry of your material is different heat to heat?
- Properties like specific heat, density, enthalpy, mobilities, latent heat can be calculated as a function of chemistry and temperature - and used as inputs into other codes to determine heat transfer, stress distributions etc.
- Comparison from Smith et al. of calculated specific heat and enthalpy change vs handbook value for a 316L stainless steel – note over 500K change in peak temperature prediction, as well as 2x change in solidification time – this also has an effect on weld pool geometry



Comparison of handbook values and CALPHAD calculated values of Cp (left) and  $\Delta$ H (right) – from Smith, et al. / *Computational Mechanics* 57.4 (2016): 583-610.



## **Applications to mechanical/thermal FEA modeling**





- Keller et al. used a transient thermal model in ABAQUS to model one layer of powder deposition of laser melted Alloy 625 powder.
- Specific heat capacity and density were taken as functions of temperature from a Thermo-Calc Scheil simulation and used as inputs in the ABAQUS model.
  - This allows for the full effect of segregation during solidification, and possible eutectic phase formation (NbC, Laves) to be taken into account in the Cp and density values.
- From this the pool shape and resulting solidification speed Vs = V<sub>laser</sub>\*cos(α) can be determined along with thermal gradient G
- These two values are needed for a phase field simulation to predict the dendrite arm spacing
- Keller also simulated this, found reasonable agreement of dendrite arm spacing



Phase field simulation of cellular dendrite structure (brightness = wt% Nb)

Keller, Trevor, et al. "Application of finite element, phase-field, and CALPHADbased methods to additive manufacturing of Ni-based superalloys." *Acta materialia* 139 (2017): 244-253.

#### **Purpose**



- > Non-equilibrium conditions: property changes as function of solidification speed
  - Solute trapping effect that changes the solute partition between liquid and solid phases
  - Microstructure changes due to varying solidification speed, e.g. microsegregation, solid phase amounts, etc.
  - Consequent changes of thermal and thermophysical properties

Data curation : suitable for FEM modeling



## **Solute Trapping : Assumptions**



- Only one primary solid phase forms dendrite, NOT necessarily the first solid phase
- Solute trapping in primary solid phase only. Other solid phases have equilibrium compositions following Scheil model
- Amounts of solid phases are dependent on solute trapping and solidification speed
- Dynamic liquidus for primary solid phase is dependent on solute trapping and solidification speed
- Dynamic solidus is calculated as complete solidification

# **Dynamic Liquidus as Function of Solidification Speed**



Diffusion across the liquid/solid interface

$$(X_i^0 - X_i^S) \frac{V}{V_i^D} = X_i^S X_n^0 (1 - \psi_i^e)$$

Driving force for interface motion

$$V = V_0 \left[ 1 - \exp\left(\frac{\Delta G_{DF}}{RT}\right) \right]$$

- Obtain dynamic liquidus and initial primary solid composition
- > If dynamic liquidus below  $T_0$ : amorphous



M.J.Aziz, J. Appl. Phys, 53(2)1158(1982)

## Solute Trapping Model : Modified Aziz\* Model



Diffusion across the liquid/solid interface

$$\left(X_i^L - X_i^S\right) \frac{V}{V_i^D} = X_i^S X_n^L \left(1 - \psi_i^e\right)$$

Driving force for interface motion

$$V = V_0 \left[ 1 - \exp\left(\frac{\Delta G_{DF}}{RT}\right) \right]$$

➤ Mass conservation (lever rule)\*\*

$$\frac{X_i^0 - X_i^L}{X_i^S - X_i^L} = \frac{X_j^0 - X_j^L}{X_j^S - X_j^L}$$



\*M.J.Aziz, J. Appl. Phys, 53(2)1158(1982); M.J.Aziz and T.Kaplan, Acta Metall., 36(8)2335(1988) \*\* M. Hillert, in Phase Equilibria, Phase Diagrams and Phase Transformations

# Scheil Model\* : Modified with Solute Trapping

• No back diffusion in primary solid, complete mixing in liquid

 $C_L(1-\mathbf{k})df_S = (1-f_S)dC_L$ 

• Solute partitioning coefficient *k* comes from solute trapping calculation



Wikipedia

- Amount of other solid phases calculated based on
  - $\checkmark$  Equilibrium calculation for solute compositions
  - ✓ Reduction of energy dissipation due to withholding by solute trapping



## Solute Trapping : Al-10Si-0.6Mg





#### **Solute Partitioning**



- Multi-component
- Deviation from ideal solution
- Temperature dependence of solute partitioning

**Phase Boundaries** 



Mole Fraction of Si

# Solidification : Al10SiMg Alloy

630

620

610

600

Temperature [°C]

580

570

560

0.1

temperature



#### Microstructure of SLM Al10SiMg

N.T.Aboulkhair et al, *Progress in Materials Science*, 106(2019)100578

Thermo-Calc

 Increasing solidification speed generally decreases solidification range comparing with classic Scheil, though anomaly cases are possible due to formation of low temperature solid phases

0.5

Mole fraction of solid

Increasing solidification speed decreases liquidus

0.6

0.7

0.9

## Solidification : IN718



**Solid Phase Amounts** 



## New Database: Thermal Conductivity\*



## **Electrical Resistivity (ELRS)**

- Prefitting with semi-empirical model
- **Refitting with polynomial** Matthiessen's rule

 $\rho=\rho_0+\rho_{e-p}+\rho_m$ 

 $\rho_{e-p} = A \cdot \left(\frac{T}{\theta_R}\right)^5 \cdot J_5\left(\frac{\theta_R}{T}\right) \qquad A = \frac{3\pi\hbar q_D{}^6(G')^2}{4e^2(m^*)^2 n_c k_B \theta_D k_F{}^2 v_F{}^2}$ Bloch-Grüneisen  $J_n\left(\frac{\theta_D}{T}\right) = \int_0^{\frac{\theta_D}{T}} \frac{x^n e^x}{(e^x - 1)^2} dx$   $\rho_m = \rho_{spd} \cdot \left(1 - e^{\left(-\frac{3}{2}\left(\frac{T}{T_c}\right)^3\right)}\right)$ Our model in Thermo-Calc

# **Thermal Conductivity (THCD)**

- Fitted with polynomials
- Predictions for ке and кg



\*courtesy of Hai-Lin Chen, Thermo-Calc Software AB

## **Implementation in Thermo-Calc\***



## **Unary, Al, THDF**



- Jenkins, (1961), as in WADD-TR-61-95 →
- Schriempf, High T High P, (1972) 411  $\rightarrow$
- Lee et al, Intl. J. Thermophys., (2012) 540

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#### Available in TCAL7 !

# **Binary, Al-Cu FCC\_A1, THDF**



Zhang, et al. Thermochim. Acta 635  $\rightarrow$ (2016) 8

\*courtesy of Hai-Lin Chen, Thermo-Calc Software AB

## **Thermophysical Data**





#### **Summary**



- > Non-equilibrium thermodynamic tools
  - Solute trapping at the interface between liquid and dendric primary solid
  - Multi-component, multiphase with CALPHAD databases
  - Alloy chemistry- and solidification speed- dependent

#### > Curation of thermodynamic and thermophysical data

- Peak reduction and smoothing of heat capacity data
- Database for thermal conductivity
- Output format compatible with FEM simulations

## **Future Work**



- Validation & feasibility test
- More thermophysical data (in more databases)
  - Viscosity
  - Surface tension
  - Thermal conductivity

#### > Evaporation

- Pressure dependence of evaporation temperature
- Density and heat capacity data for FEM modeling

#### > Solid state precipitation

• Improvement of PRISMA models to deal with cyclic thermal conditions in AM





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