

AI FOR ACCELERATED MATERIALS DISCOVERY



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USE SMARTER

USE LESS

USE LONGER

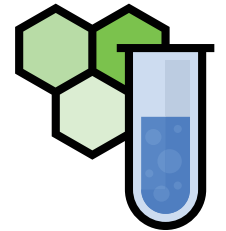
HYPOTHESIZE



TEST



ITERATE



AI-DRIVEN HYPOTHESES: FEWER EXPERIMENTAL CYCLES
OPTIMAL RESULTS



MATERIALS: A UNIQUE AI USE CASE

	Traditional AI Applications	Materials AI Applications
Datasets	Big, dense (up to $\sim 10^8$ examples)	Small, sparse ($\sim 10^2$ examples)
Prediction task	Pattern-match common cases	Predict unusual or “extreme” chemistries
Hierarchical relationships	Usually not applicable	Inherently hierarchical
Existing Domain Knowledge	No—rely on data to learn patterns	Large body of known materials physics
Outliers	Can be deleted as noise	Often the design goal
Negatives	Not inherently different from positives	Scarce and stigmatized
Data acquisition cost	Data provided by users for free	One data point can cost \$millions
Uncertainty in data and models	Usually unimportant	Always important
Interpretability	Usually unimportant	Always important

LETTER

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3D printing of high-strength aluminium alloys

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- Only a few of 5,500 available alloys can be 3D printed; most crack
- Creating new alloys: better decisions

*What would've taken years, Citrine narrowed it down to days.
-J.H. Martin, HRL Labs*

DATA

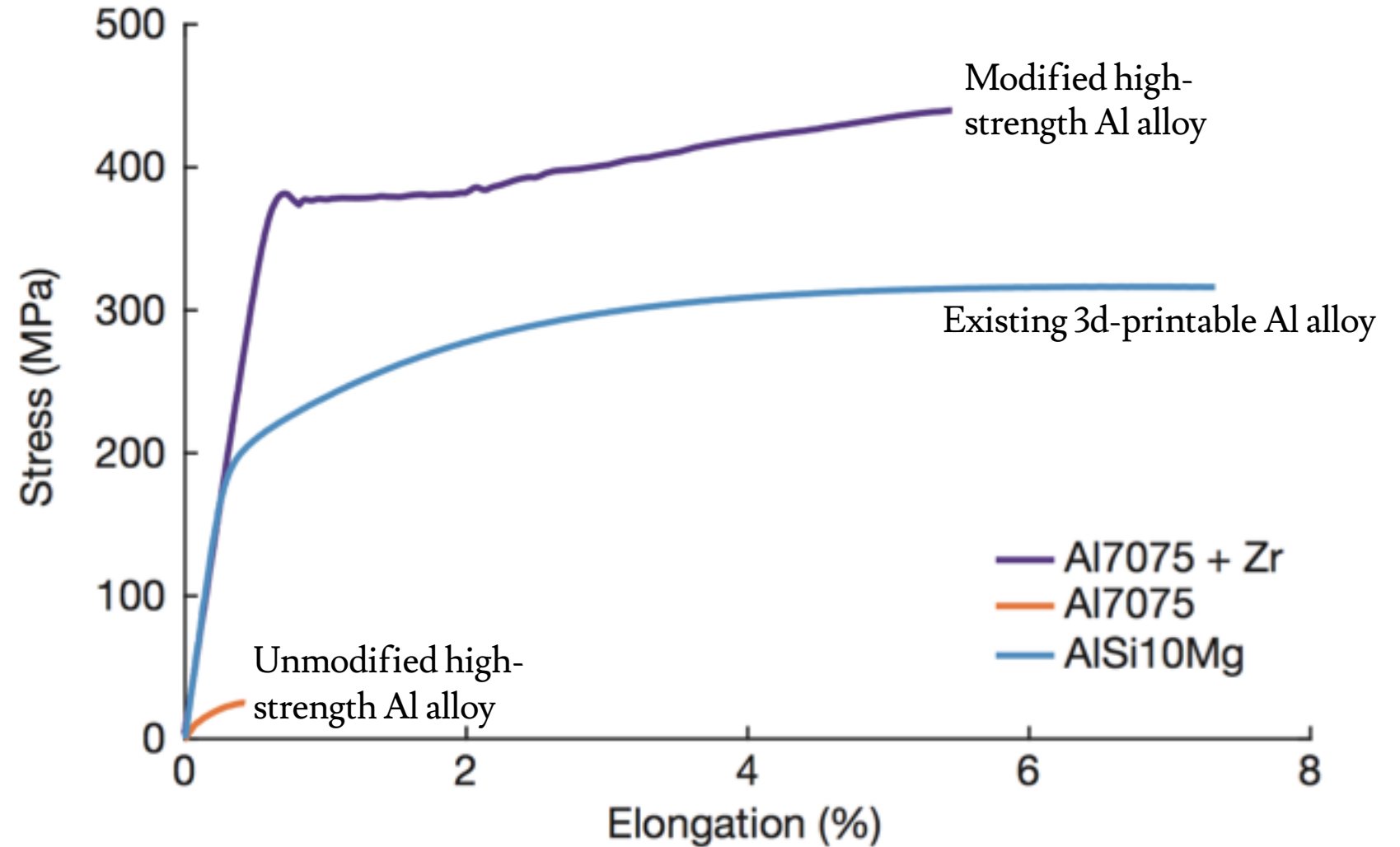
ALGORITHMS

**MATERIALS
INNOVATION**

**DOMAIN
KNOWLEDGE**

INFRASTRUCTURE

RESULTS



| USE LESS

EASIER TO RECYCLE THAN OTHER 3-D
PRINTABLE ALLOYS

BUY-TO-FLY RATIO REDUCED BY 50-80%

Saving of metal in a measure of at least 80% is benefited when considering LBW as an alternative to machining – Caiazzo, et. al. (2017)

MORE ADVANCED STRUCTURES AND LESS
CRACKING ENABLES LIGHTER WEIGHT



RECYCLING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Create new recyclable, environmentally friendly options for 3-D printed alloys.

Material	Recyclability	Earth Abundance	Elemental Toxicity	Conflict Minerals
TiAl6V4	Very Low	Medium	Low	No
Inconel 718	Medium	Low	Medium	Yes
CoCr	Low	Low	Medium	Yes
This Work { Al 6061	High	High	Low	No
Al 7075	High	High	Low	No

| AI: PROVEN IN MANY MATERIALS DOMAINS

- Batteries (anode, cathode, electrolyte)
- Catalysts
- Formulations
- Phosphors
- Structural Alloys
- Conductive Alloys
- Semiconductors
- Glasses
- Optical emitters
- Thermoelectrics
- Solid state ion conductors
- Solar absorbers
- Thermosets
- Thermoplastics
- And many more...

| AI+MATERIALS: INGREDIENTS FOR SUCCESS

- AI is really about data, not magic algorithms
- AI should be designed for materials applications
 - Focus specifically on small, sparse data
 - Respect and leverage laws of physics
- We need sophisticated infrastructure to store, inspect, and share data
- AI isn't a switch-flip; it requires culture and process changes
- Replacing experiment is a pipe dream, but greatly reducing experimental burden is here today
- AI cannot be a black box—scientists will not trust it
- Training in AI for scientists—need to be “bilingual”

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