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Introduction

Objectives

First order approximations for critical velocities of plate perforation



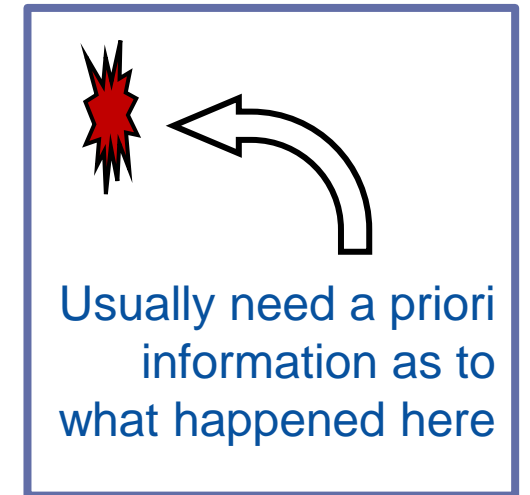
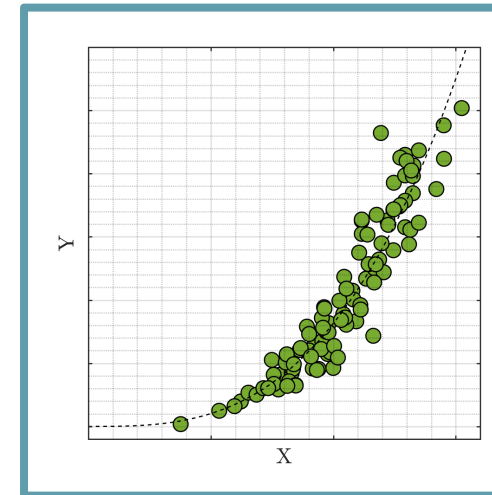
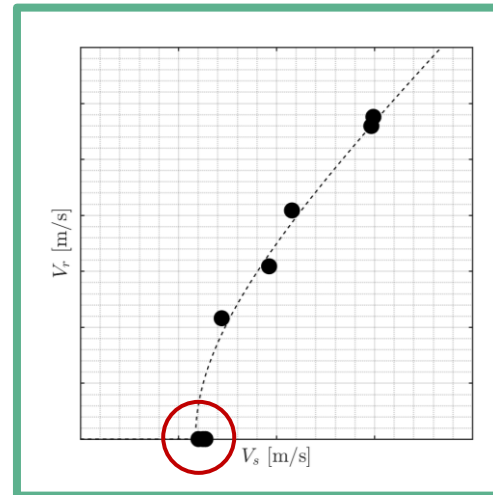
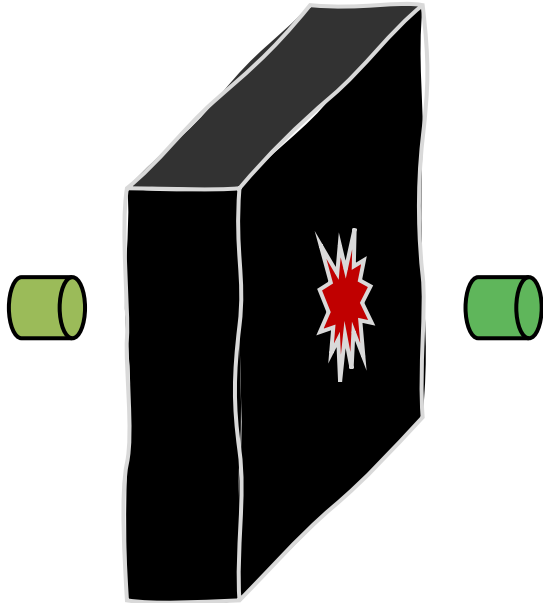
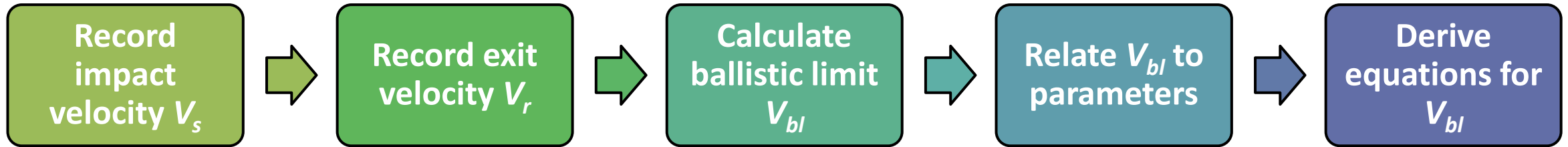
Non-dimensionalization – independent of relative length scales



Rapid deployment of target systems

Introduction

Ballistic perforation experiments

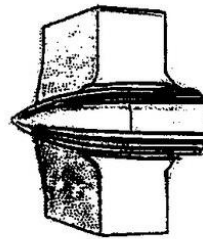


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Cylindrical cavity expansion model for AP rounds

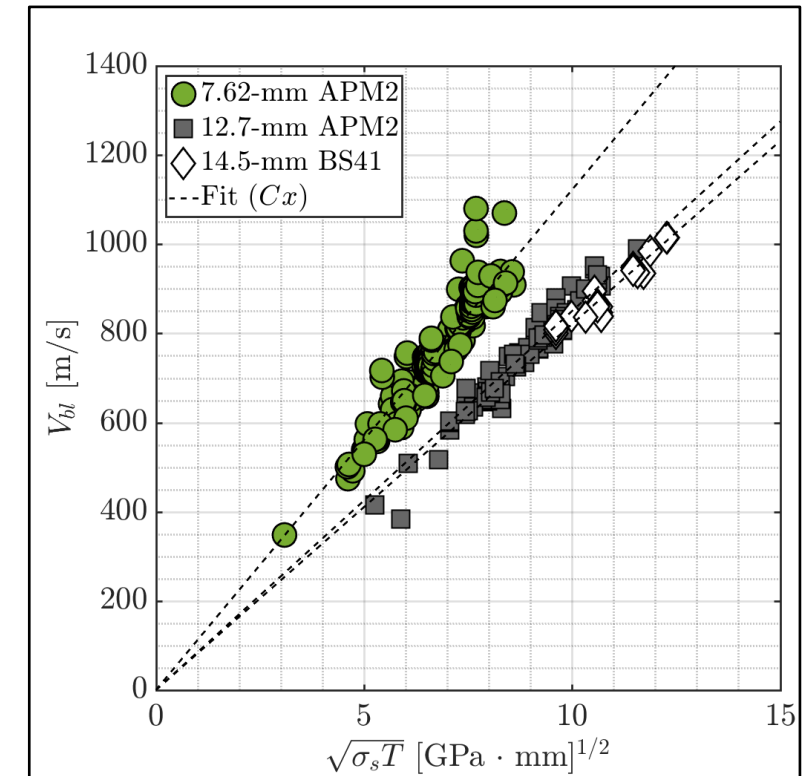
- AP perforation modeled using Forrestal cavity expansion (Ryan et al., 2018)

$$V_{bl} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\rho_p(L + k_1 L_n)}} \cdot \sqrt{\sigma_s T} = K \sqrt{\sigma_s T}$$



Ductile Hole Growth

V_{bl}	target ballistic limit
ρ_p	projectile density
L	projectile shank length
L_n	projectile nose length
k_1	projectile nose shape factor
T	target thickness
σ_s	cavity expansion strength



★ Requires coefficient **K** for each caliber

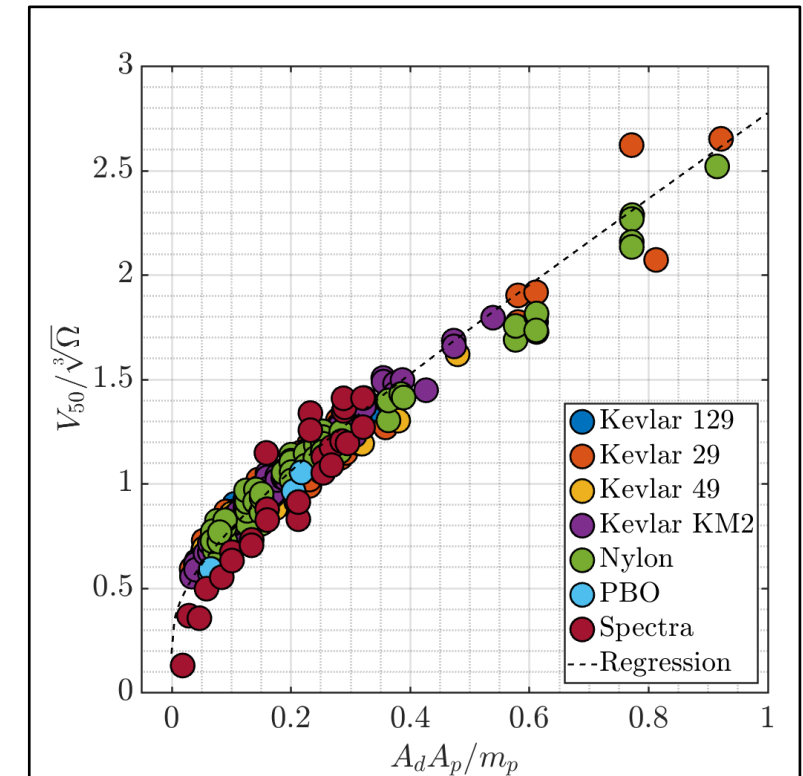
Introduction

Cunniff parameter for soft armor targets

- Woven textiles, composites impacted by various projectile geometries and masses

$$\frac{V_{bl}}{\sqrt[3]{\Omega}} = f\left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p}\right), \quad \Omega = \frac{\sigma_f \varepsilon_f}{2\rho} \cdot c_0$$

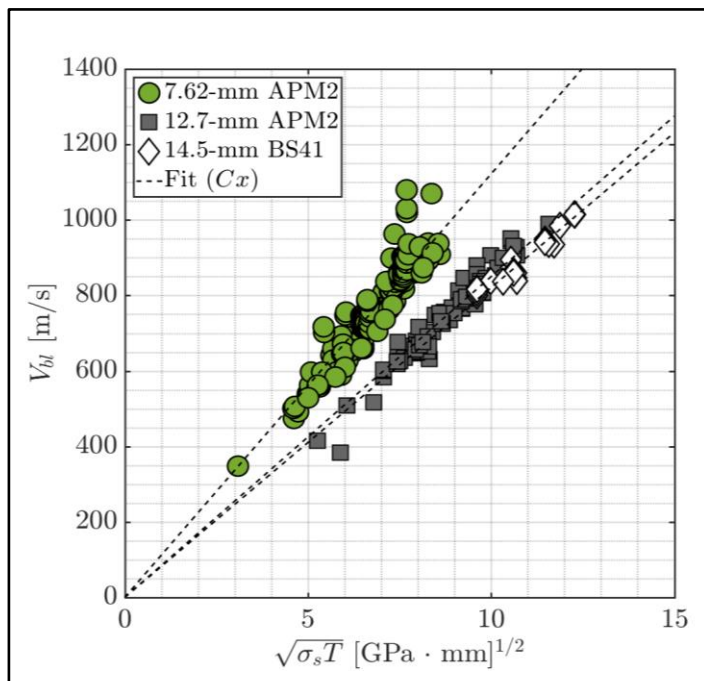
A_d	target areal density
A_p	projectile presented area
σ_f, ε_f	fiber failure stress, strain
c_0	fiber axial wavespeed
$\sqrt[3]{\Omega}$	Cunniff parameter



- ★ Predictive capability for several polymer fibers that fail in tension

Introduction

Deriving dimensionless parameters for AP rounds



Empirical coefficient K for each caliber

- Derivation already includes non-dimensional params. (Guo, 2021)

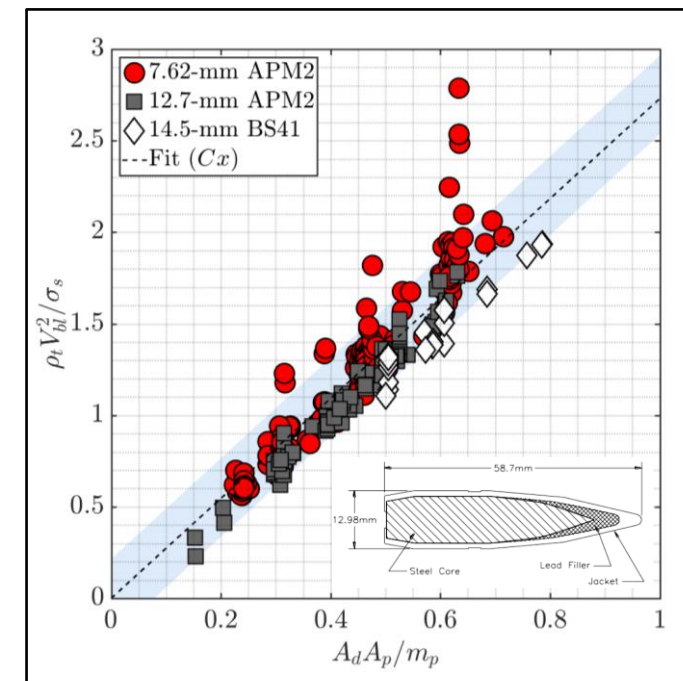
$$V_{bl} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\rho_p(L + k_1 L_n)}} \cdot \sqrt{\sigma_s T}$$

$$\frac{m_p}{A_p} = \rho_p(L + k_1 l), \quad \rho_t \cdot T = \frac{m_t}{A_t} = A_d$$

$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_s} = f\left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p}\right)$$

(Inertia effects in full CCE model can be non-dimensionalized too)

$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_s} = 2 \frac{A_d A_p}{m_p} \left[1 + \left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p} B_0 N \right) + \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p} B_0 N \right)^2 \right]$$



Data collapses along a linear curve independent of caliber

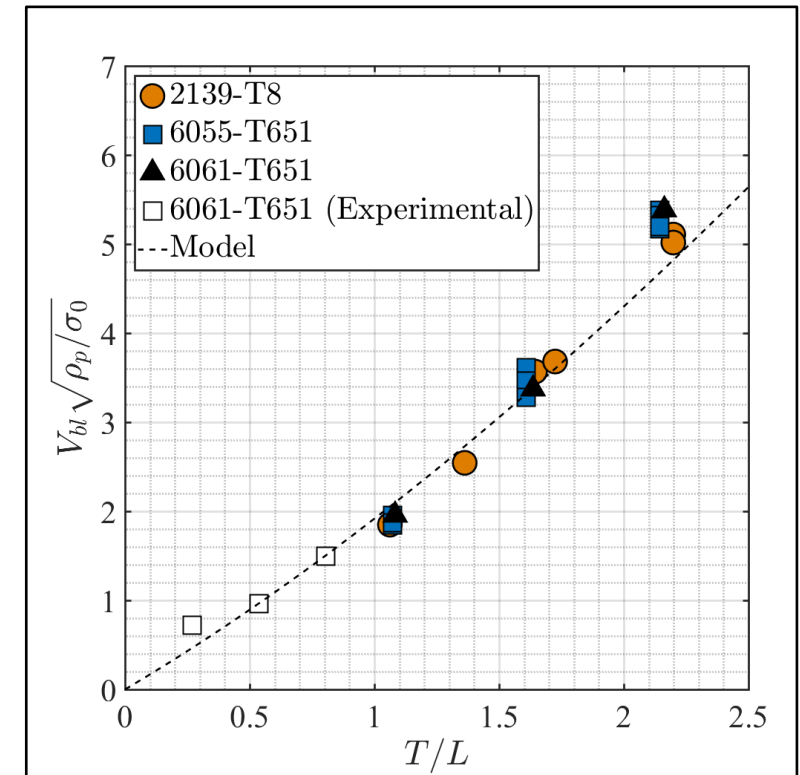
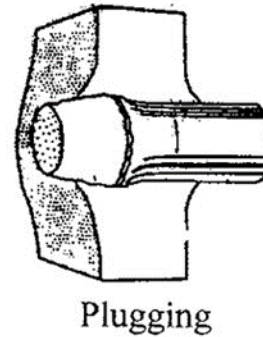
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Shear-plugging model for FSP rounds

- Modified Recht-Ipson shear plugging model (Guo & Forrestal, 2019)

$$\frac{V_{bl}}{\sqrt{\sigma_0/\rho_p}} = \left\{ \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{L}{D} \right) \left(\frac{T}{L} \right)^2 \left[1 + \left(\frac{T}{L} \right) \left(\frac{\rho_t}{\rho_p} \right) \right] \right\}^{1/2}$$

V_{bl}	target ballistic limit
ρ_p	projectile density
ρ_t	target density
L	projectile length
T	target thickness
σ_0	target compressive strength



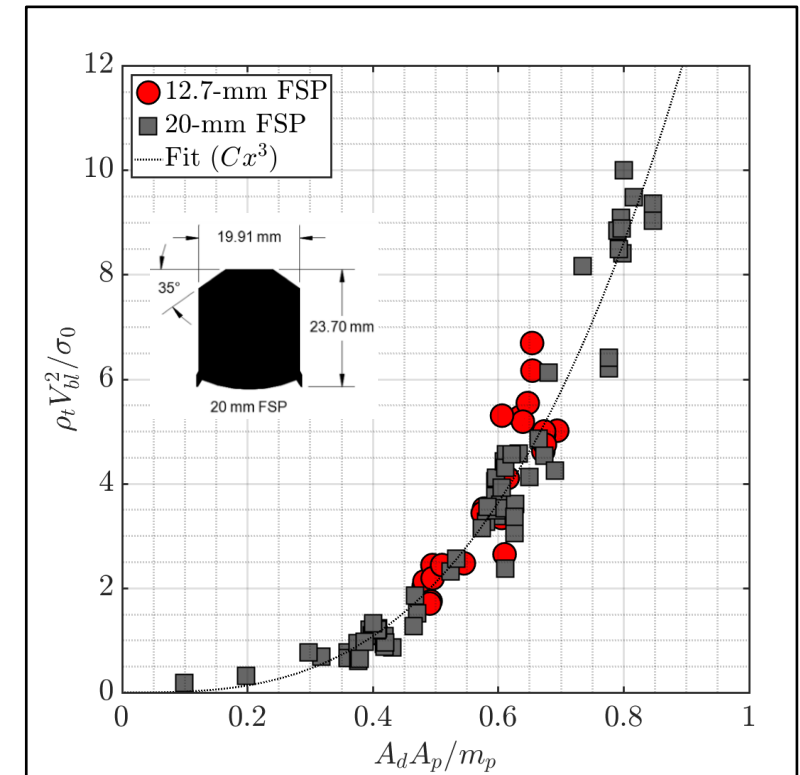
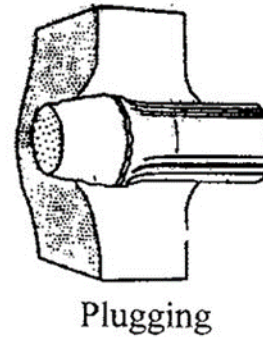
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Deriving dimensionless parameters for FSPs

- Can express in the similar functional form as cavity expansion equation (compressive strength σ_0 in LHS term)

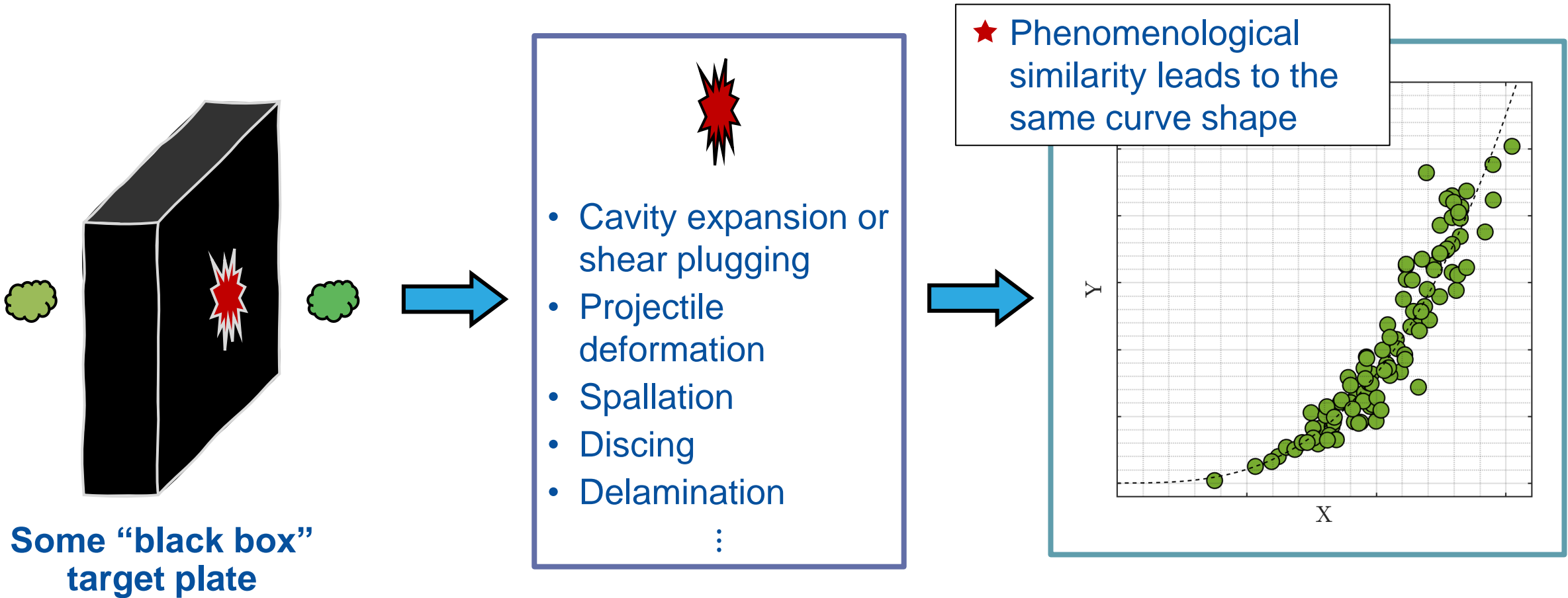
$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_0} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{L}{D} \right) \left(\frac{\rho_p}{\rho_t} \right) \left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p} \right)^2 \left[1 + \frac{A_d A_p}{m_p} \right]$$

$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_0} = f \left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p} \right)$$



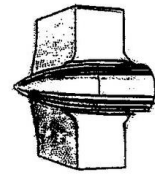
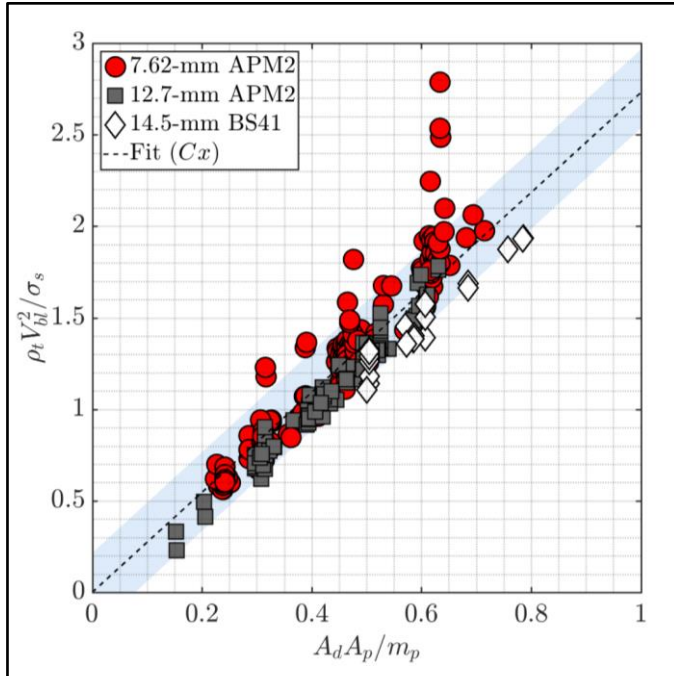
Homologous scaling

Ballistic perforation of a “black box” target



Homologous scaling

Characteristic target strength



Ductile Hole Growth

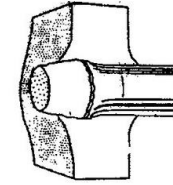
For each failure phenomenon, there is some associated characteristic strength

$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_c} = f\left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p}\right)$$

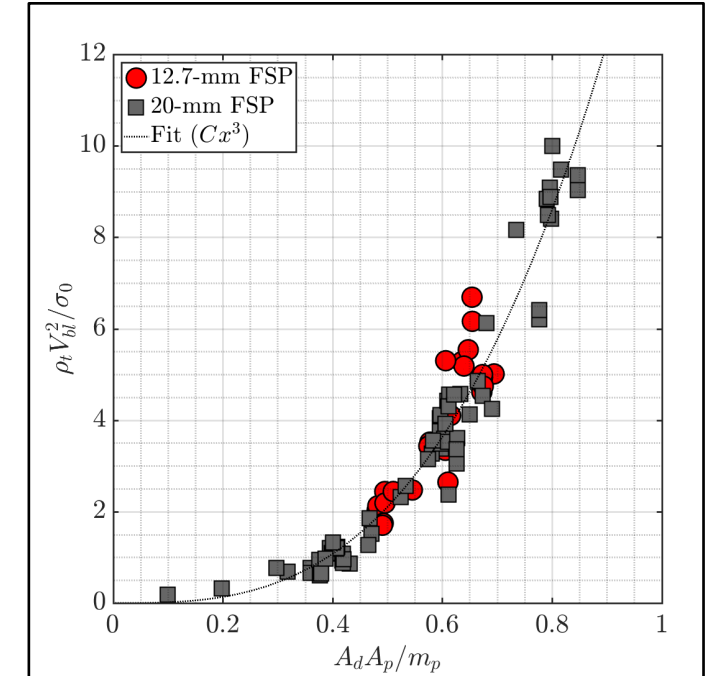
σ_c

characteristic failure strength

$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_s} = f\left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p}\right)$$



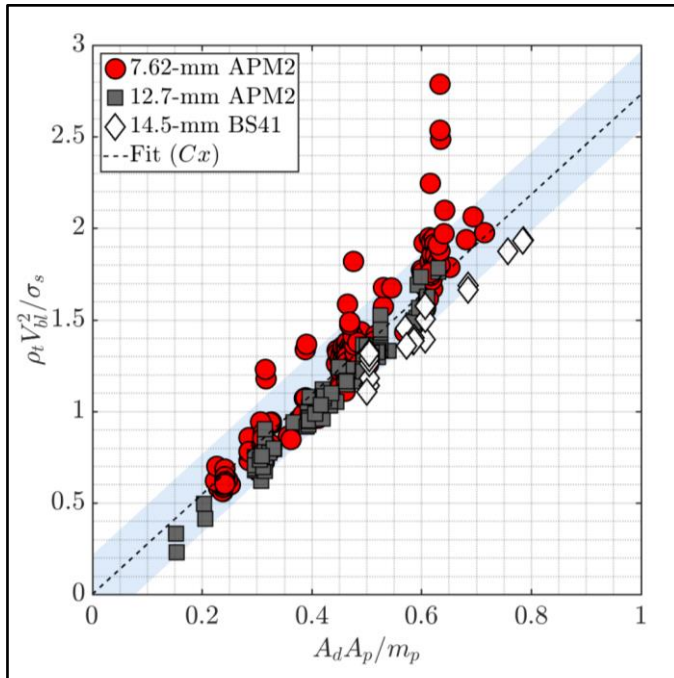
Plugging



$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_0} = f\left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p}\right)$$

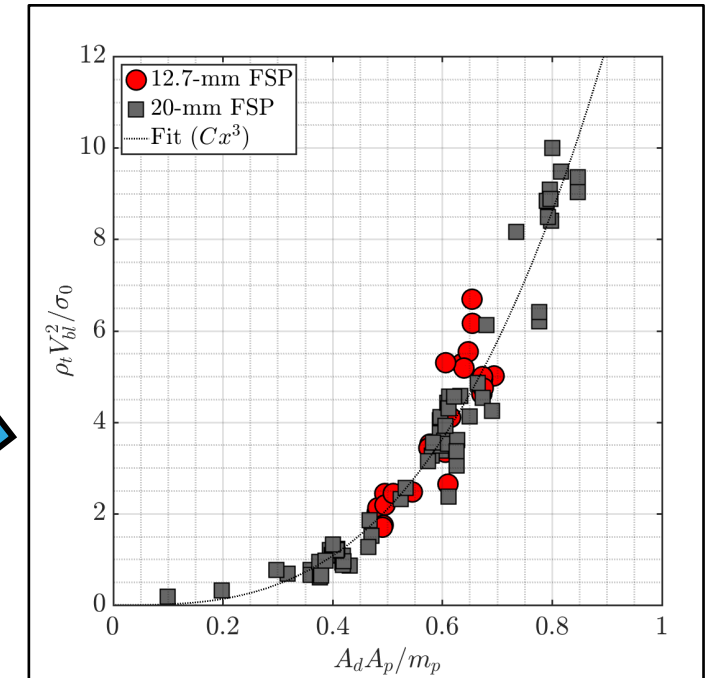
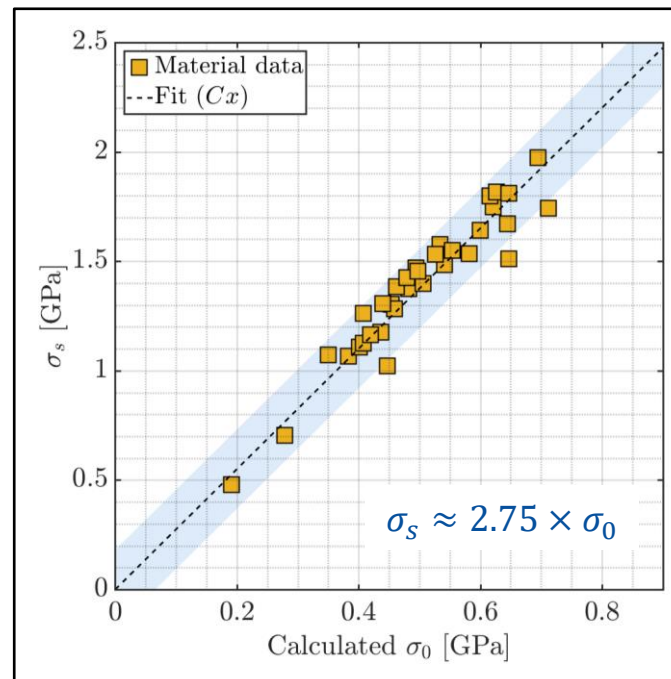
Homologous scaling

Relationship between strength parameters



$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_s} = f\left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p}\right)$$

Cavity expansion strength and compressive strength strongly correlated (Guo, 2021)

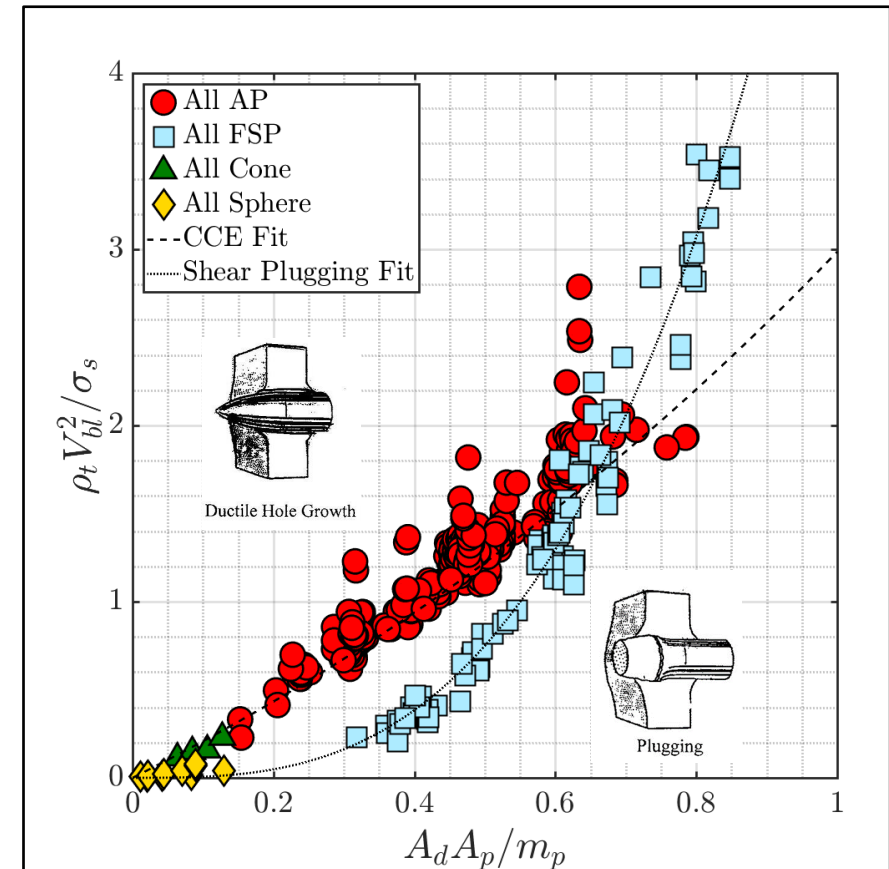


$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_0} = f\left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p}\right)$$

Homologous scaling

Collapsed data for aluminum plates

- Loci construction for both failure modes
- Cones/conical-nosed rods impacting stacked Al alloy plates (Borvik et al.)
- Small spheres impacting thin Al plates

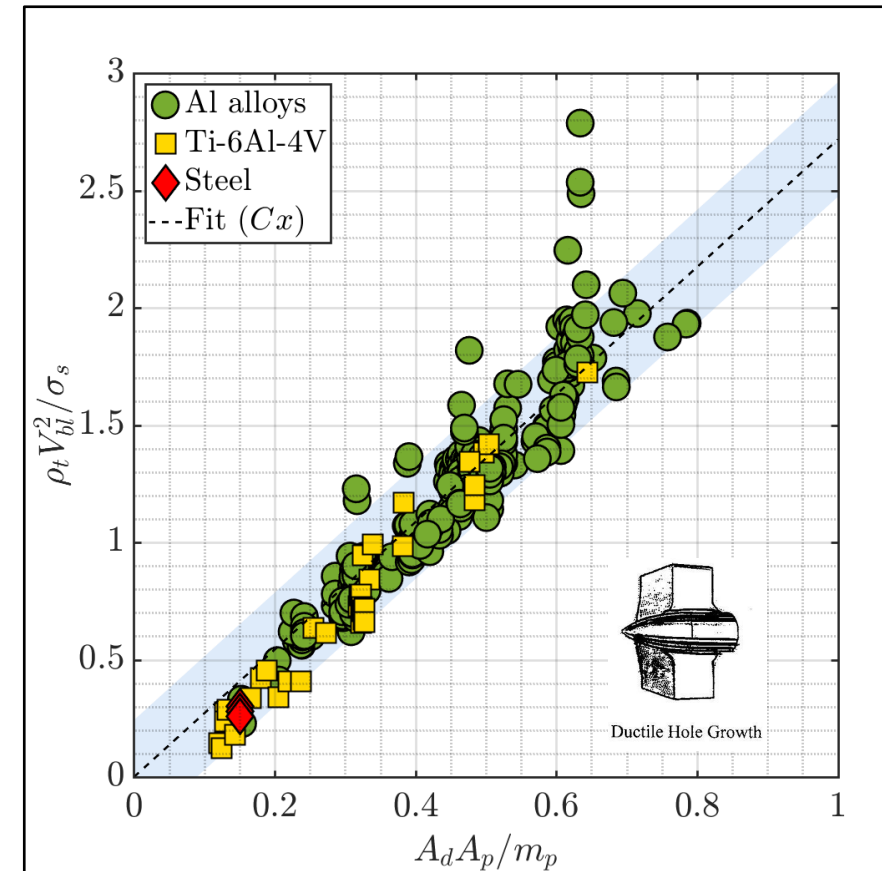


Homologous scaling

Collapsed data for ductile metal plates

- Weldox steel data for conical rods
- Wrought, cast, vacuum arc remelted (VAR) Ti-6Al-4V
- Failure modes for APM2 impact similar for α - β and β -processed plates (Gooch, 2009)

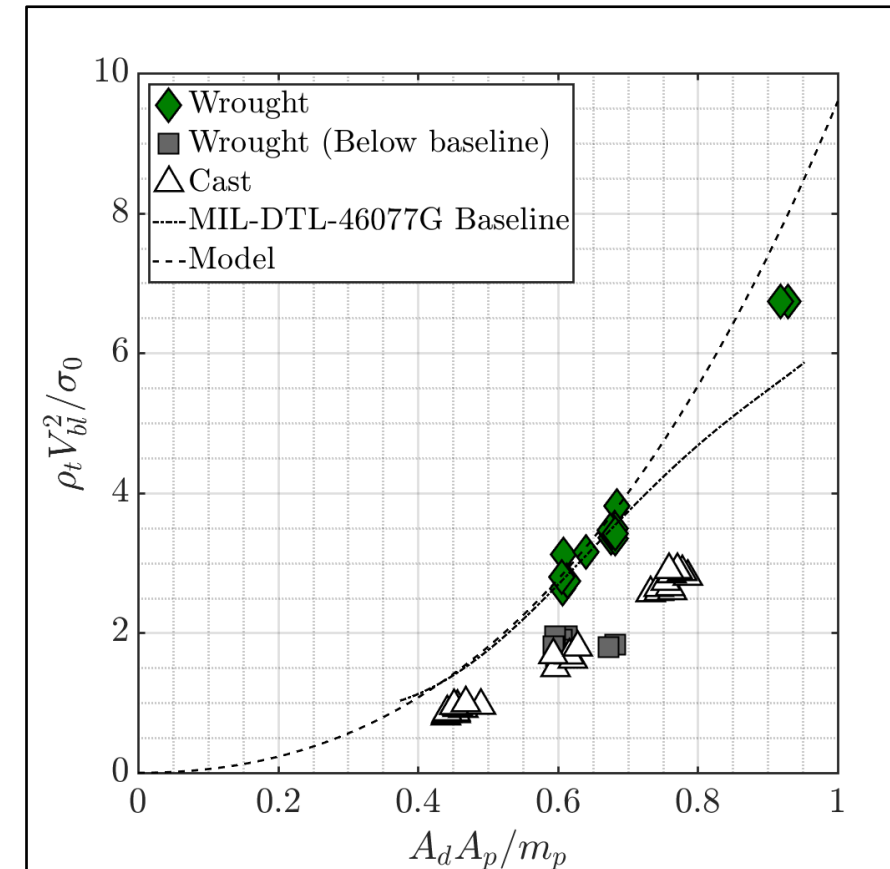
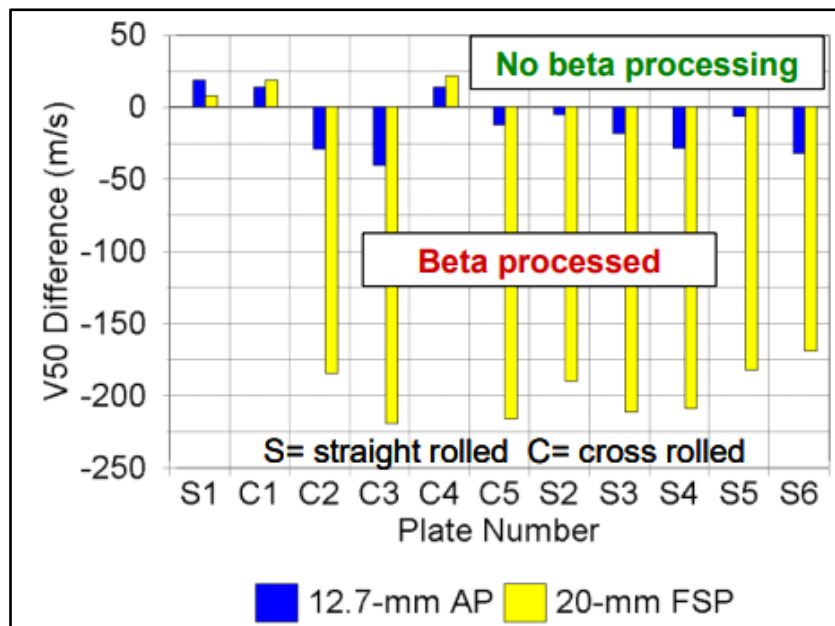
Problems arise when we apply same scaling to FSP impact of Ti-64 plate



Homologous scaling

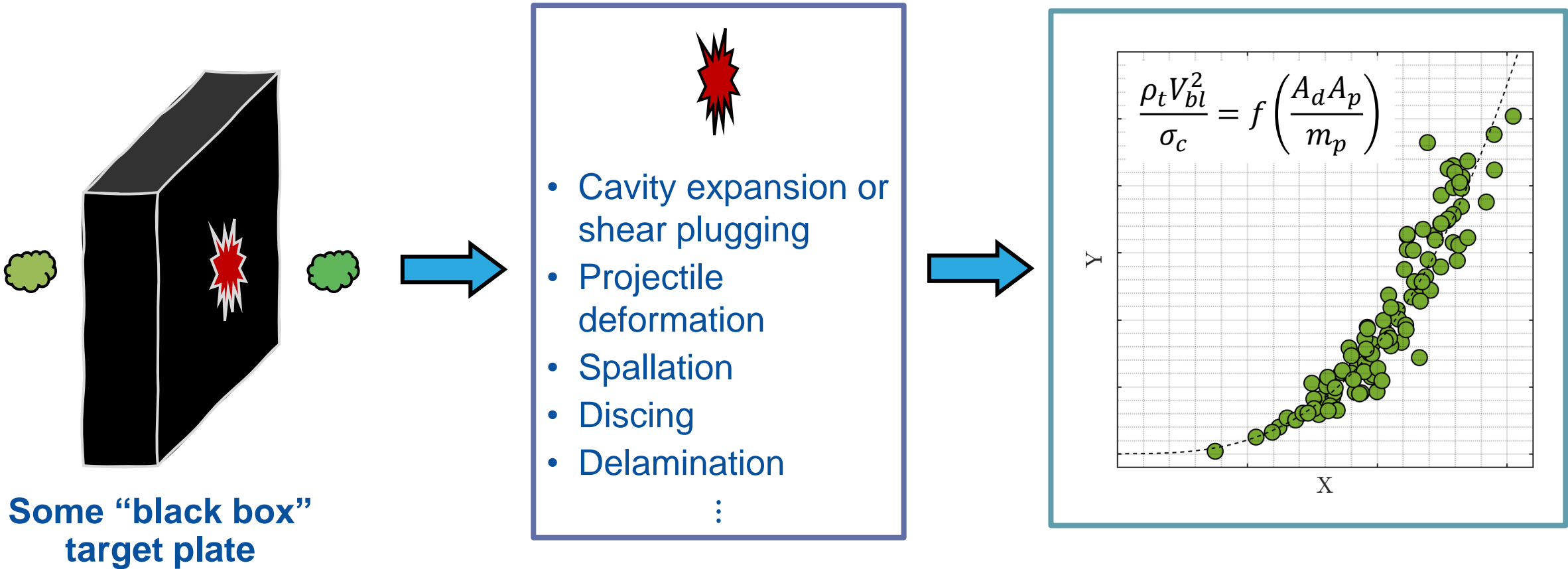
FSP ballistic performance on processed Ti-64 plates

- Failure mode highly influenced by processing (Gooch, 2009)
 - β -processed: adiabatic shear banding
 - α - β processed: shearing, spalling, delamination etc. (multi-mode, multi-axial)



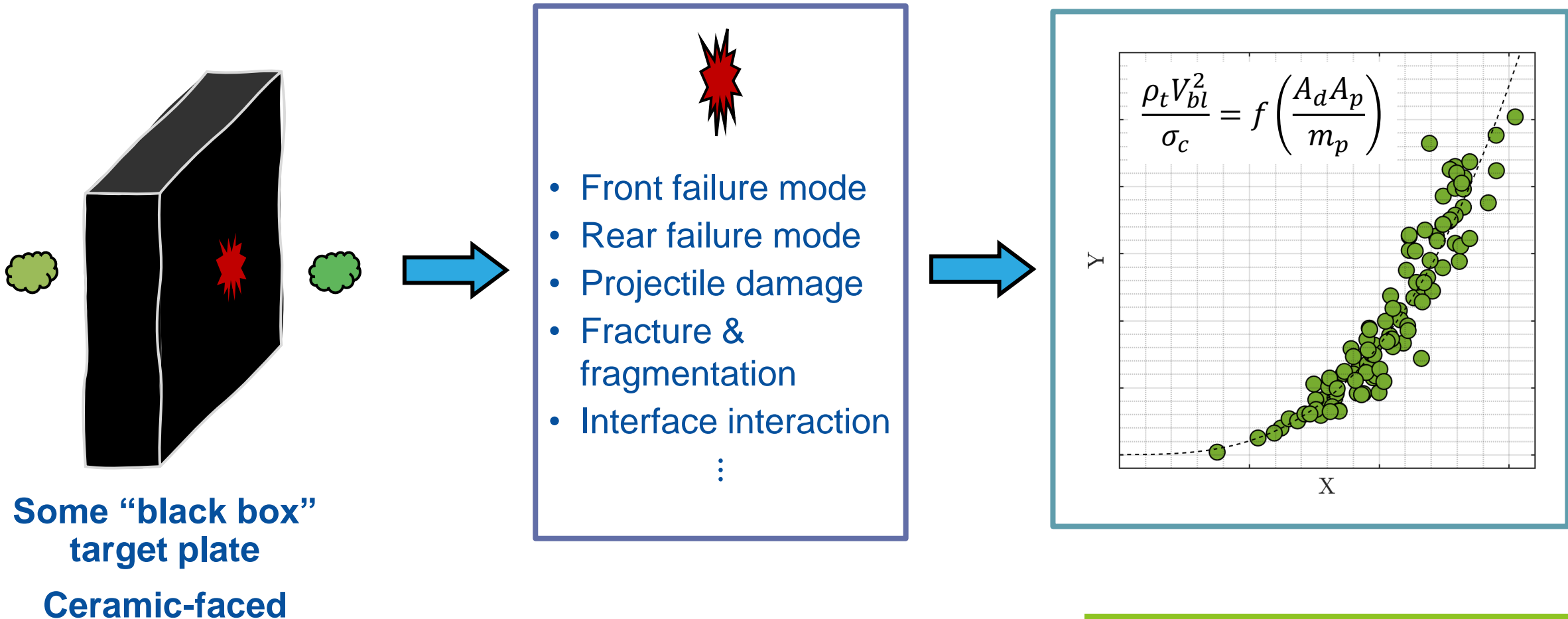
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Phenomenological similarity



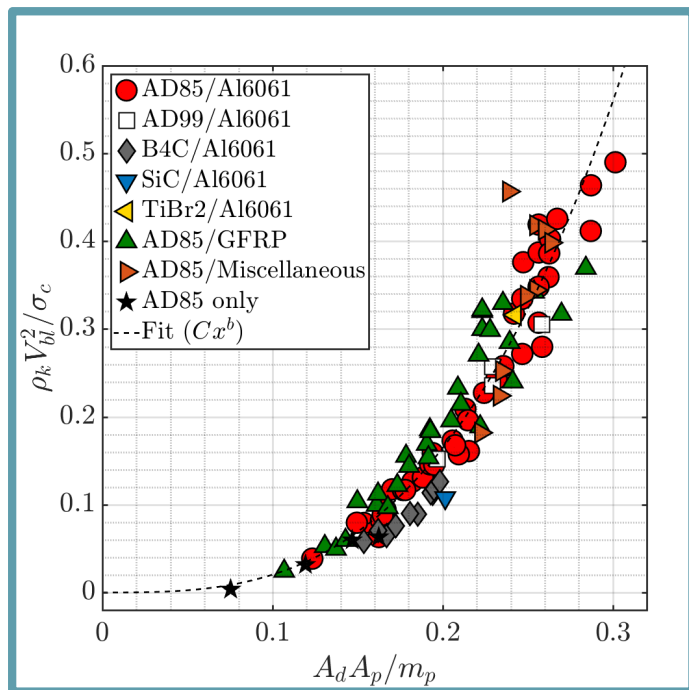
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Known projectile, “black box” target response



Homologous scaling

Bicomponent systems

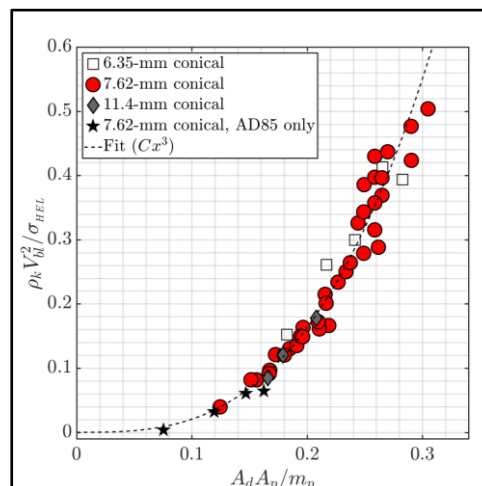


$$\frac{\rho_k V_{bl}^2}{\sigma_c} = f\left(\frac{A_{d,0} A_p}{m_p}\right)$$

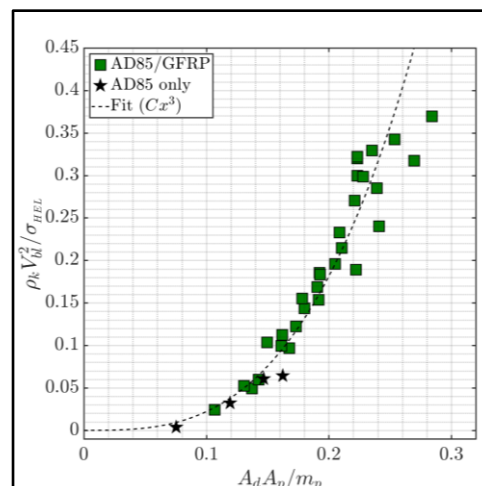
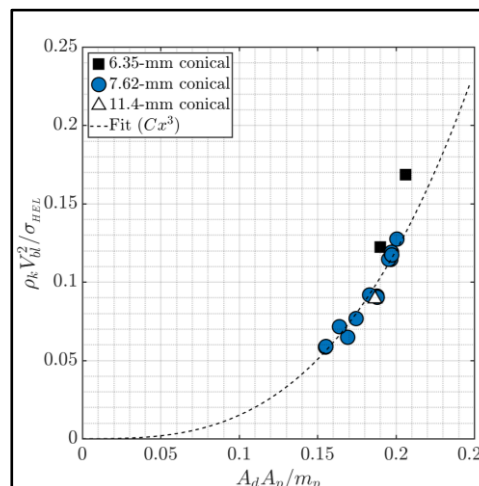
$$\sigma_c = \sigma_{HEL}$$

$$\rho_k(h_1 + h_2) = \rho_1 h_1 + \rho_2 h_2$$

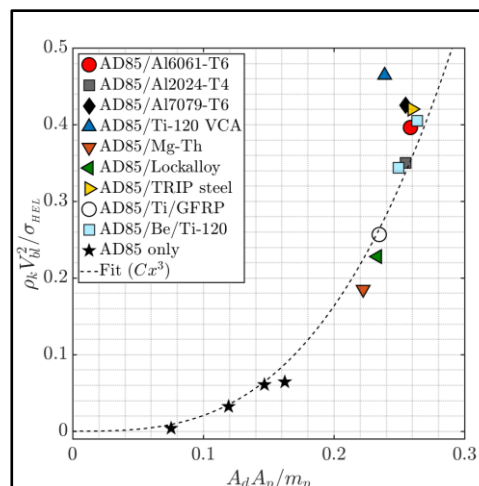
AD85/Al6061



Boron carbide/Al6061



AD85/Fiberglass



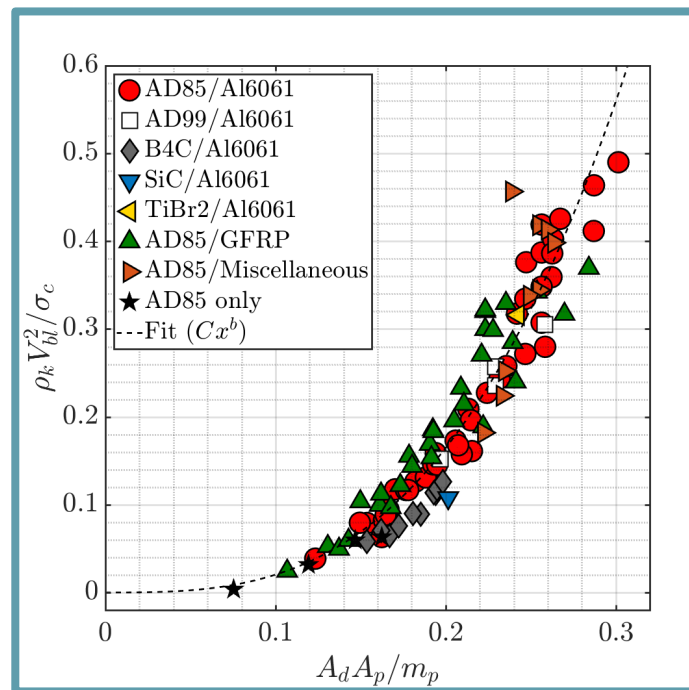
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Data from Wilkins

- 4 different calibers
- 5 frontal ceramics
- 10 backing materials
- Various fractions
- Monolithic ceramic

Homologous scaling

Bicomponent systems

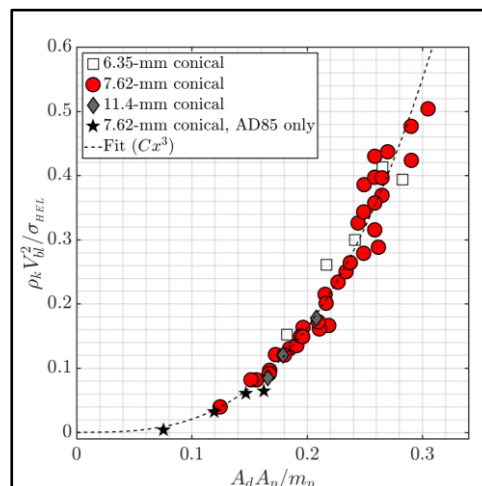


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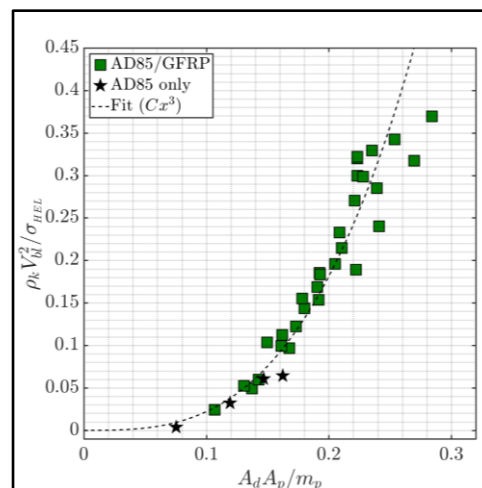
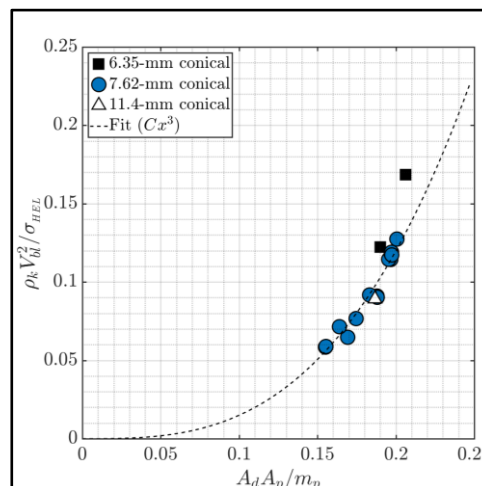
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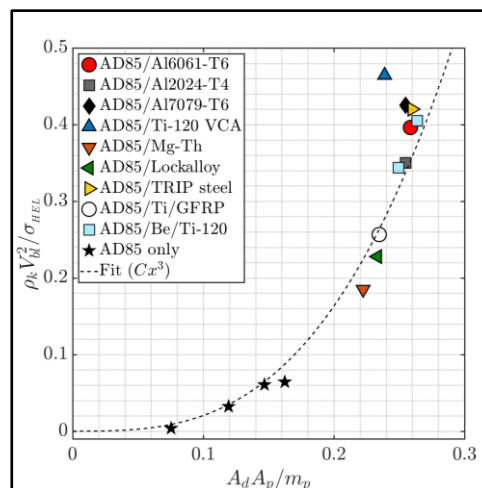
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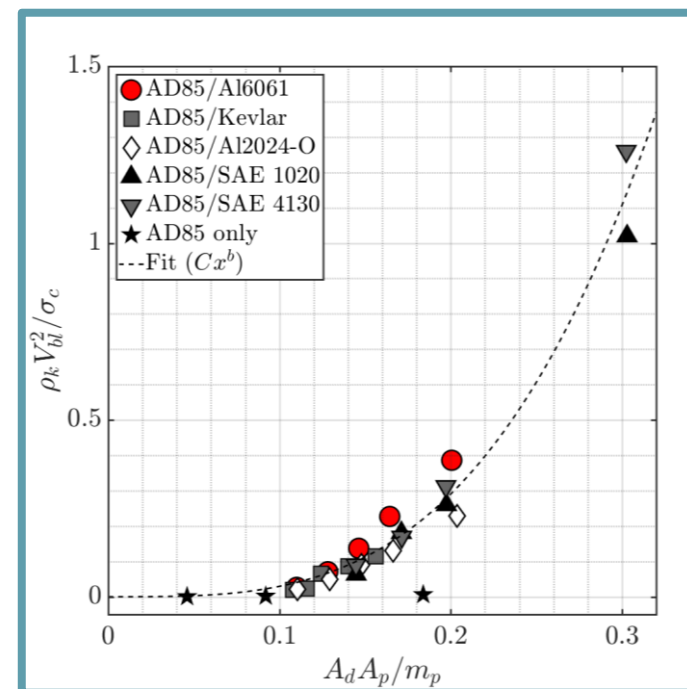
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Data from Mayseless (1987)

Different boundary conditions

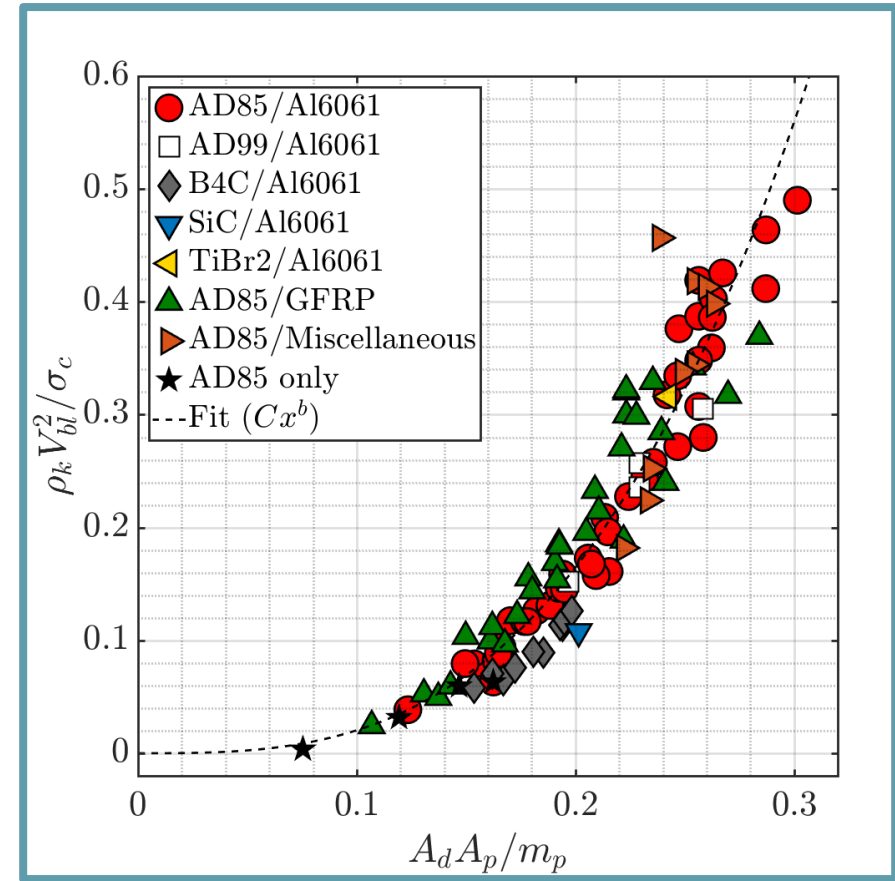


Further discussion

Analytical models

Why not use existing analytical models?

- Many material/mechanical properties
 - Not always available
 - Not always easily measured
- Order of magnitude of effects don't always scale with the effort to experimentally determine them

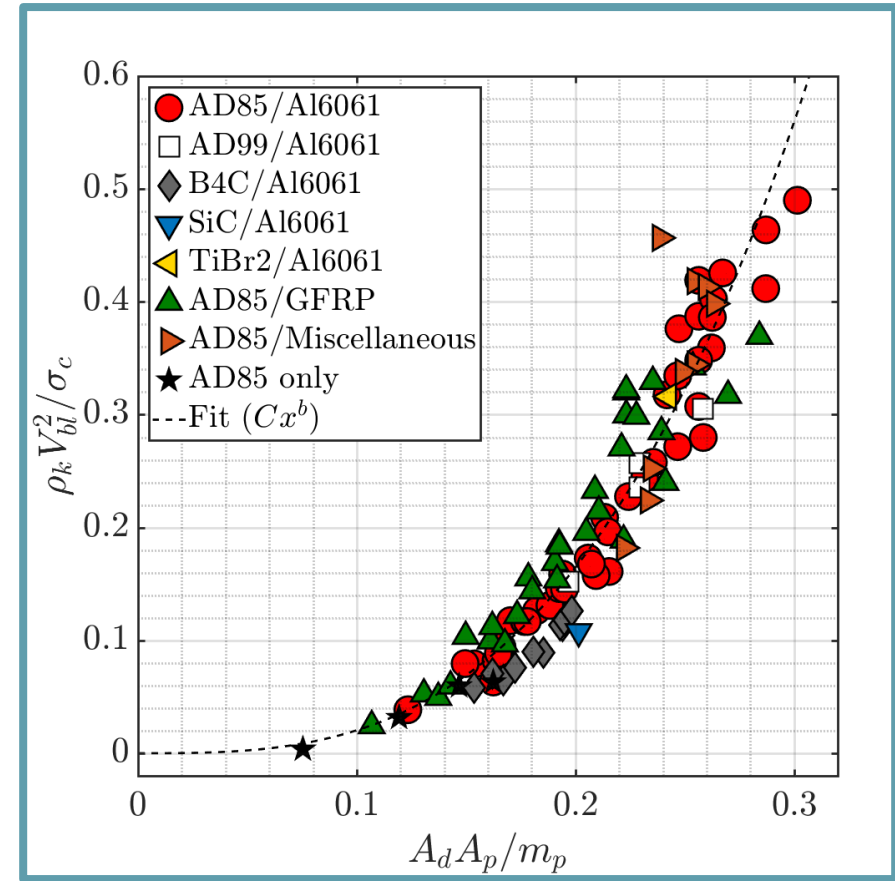


Further discussion

Machine learning methods

Why not machine learning?

- “Brute force” algorithms can perform well sometimes
- Buckingham Pi/sparse regression algos.
 - E.g. SLAW, PyDimension, BuckiNet require strictly independent parameters
- Need a priori knowledge of relations
 - Problematic for strength terms



Final words

Contributions & Future work

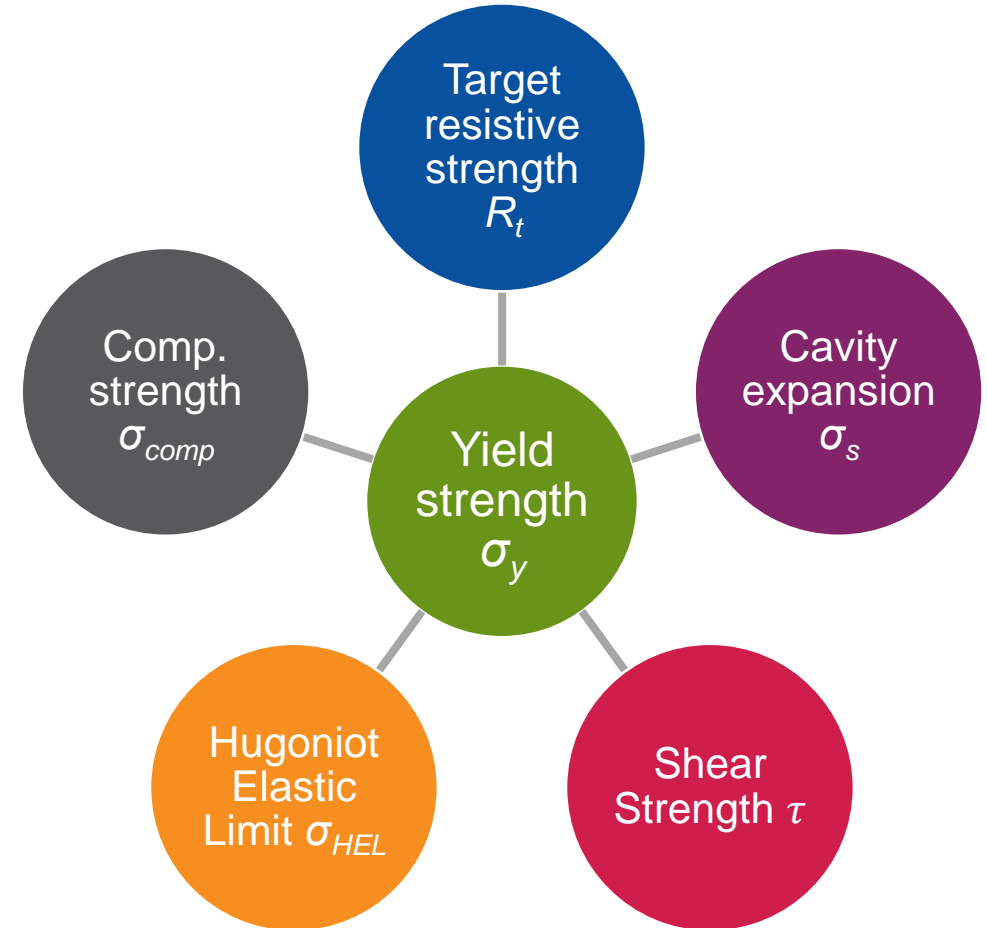
$$\frac{\rho_t V_{bl}^2}{\sigma} = f\left(\frac{A_d A_p}{m_p}\right)$$

★ Rapid systems deployment via first-order predictions

- Few parameters
- Reduce high-dimensional data

• Future directions

- Other failure modes
- Possible link to microstructural models



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