

Ultra-Stable ALLVAR Alloy Development for Space Telescopes

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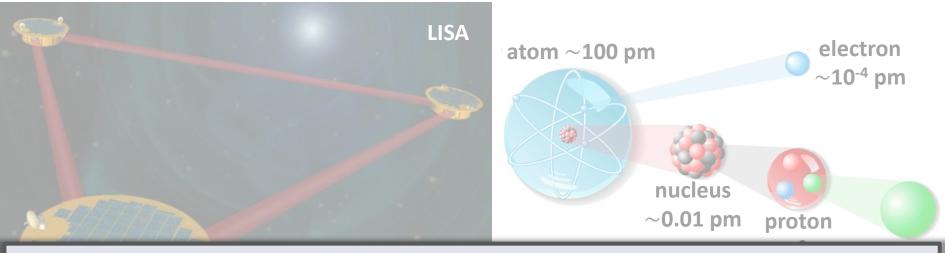
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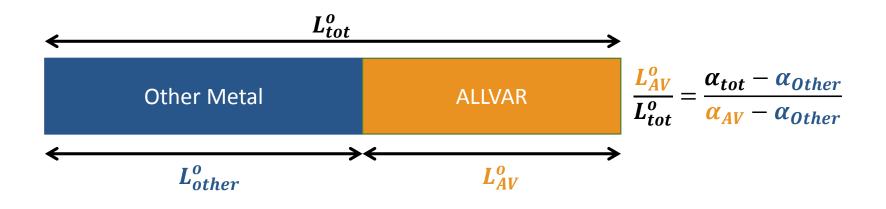
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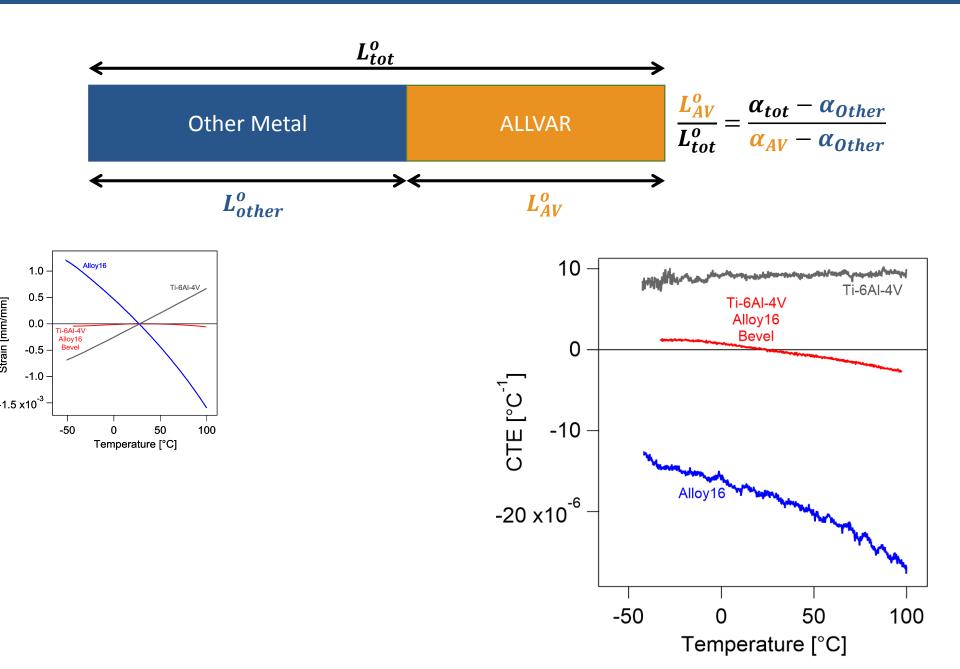
Motivation – Ultra Stability

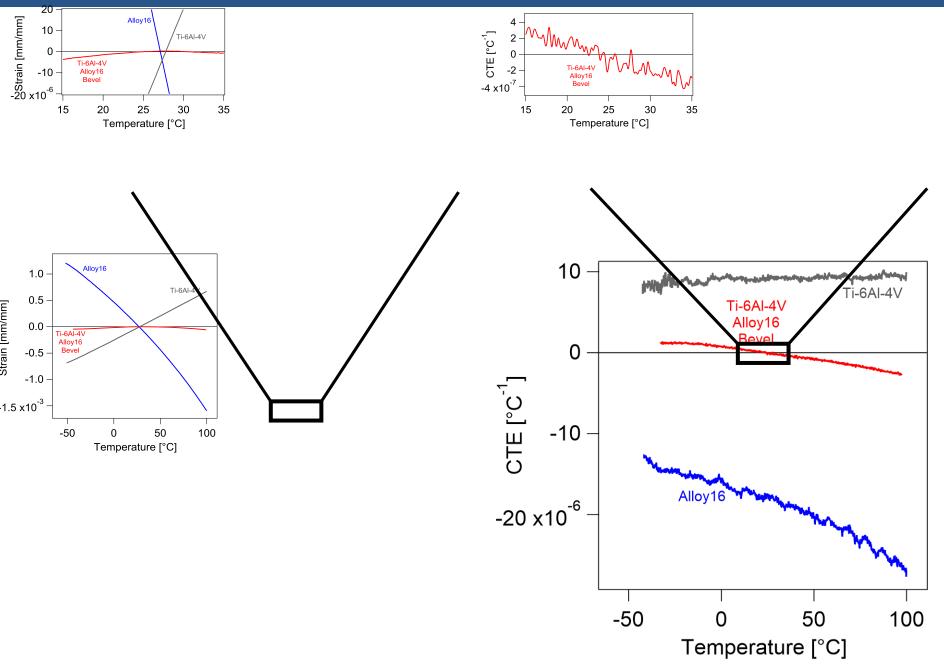


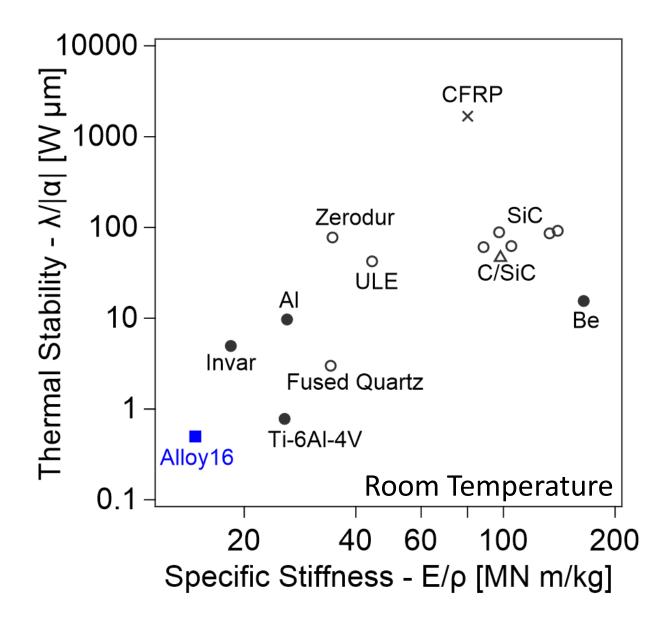
- 1) Can the CTE be tuned for high thermal stability?
- 2) What is the micro-yield stress?
- 3) Can we use ultra-stable bonding techniques to attach mirrors?
- 4) What is the material's long term dimensional stability?

1000 seconds: <10 pm RMS Lifetime: <10 με (1 μm per 500 mm)

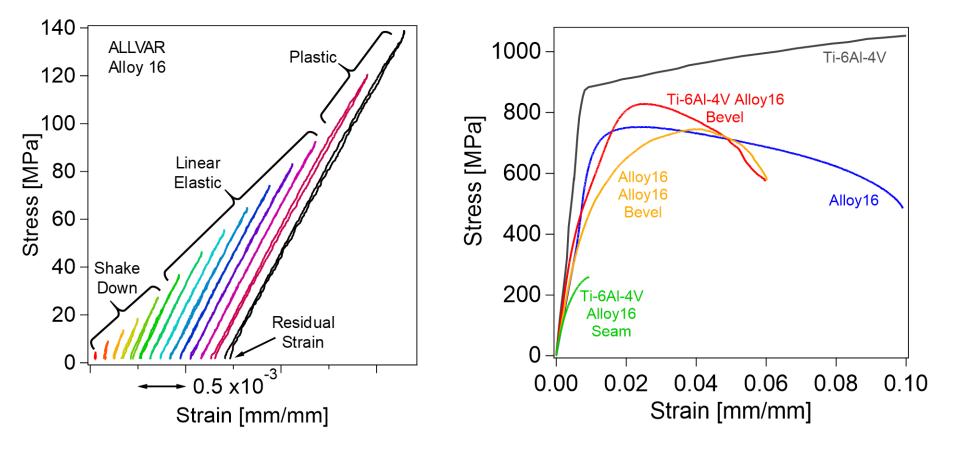




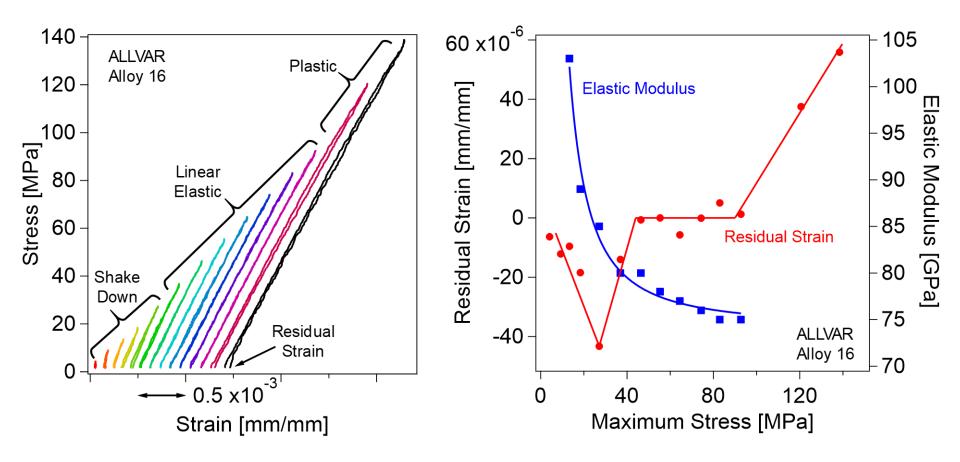




Micro-Yield

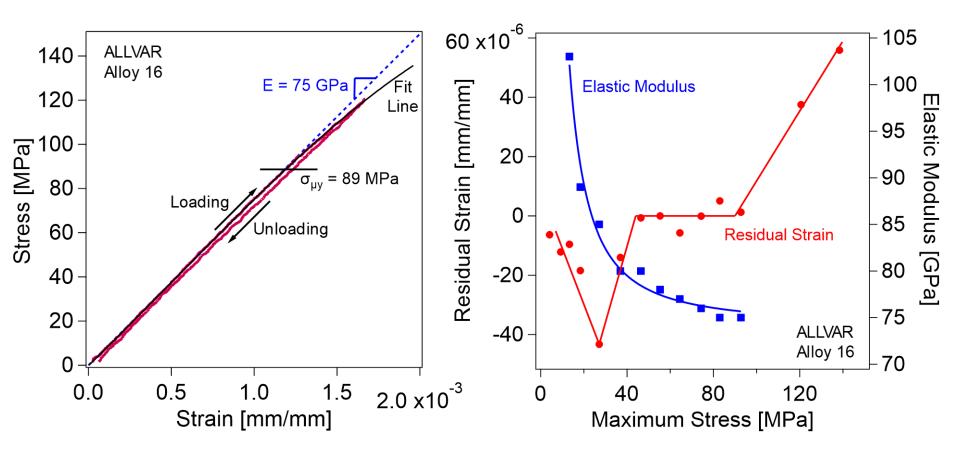


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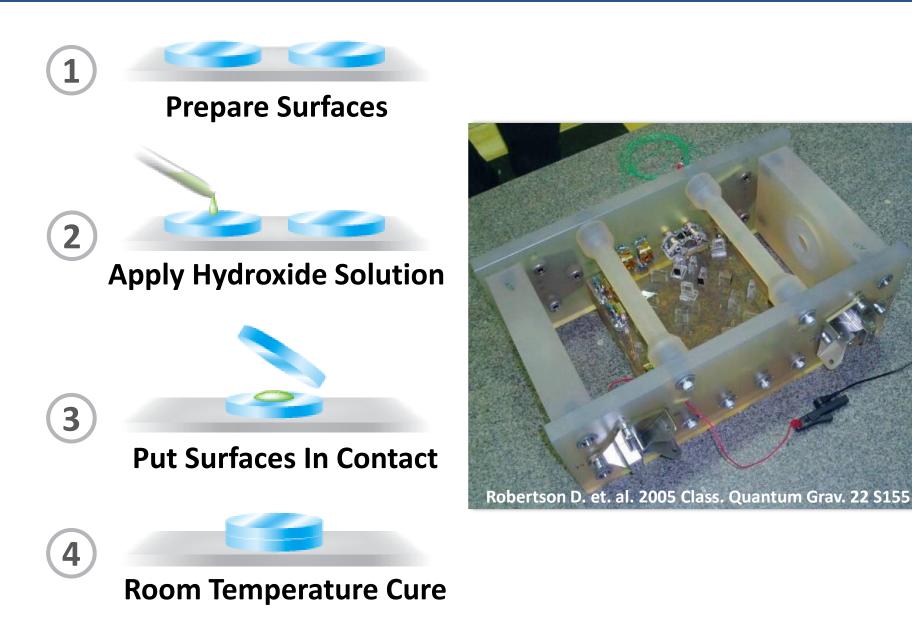


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Micro-Yield

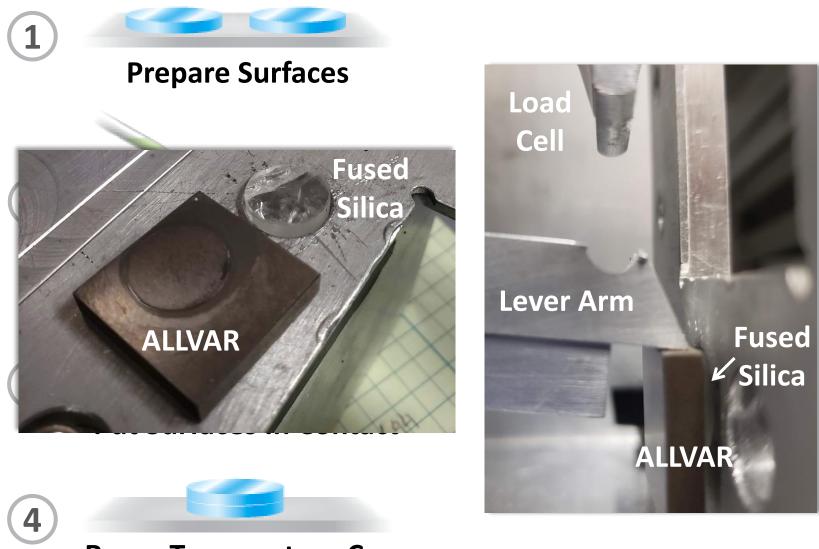


Mirror Bonding



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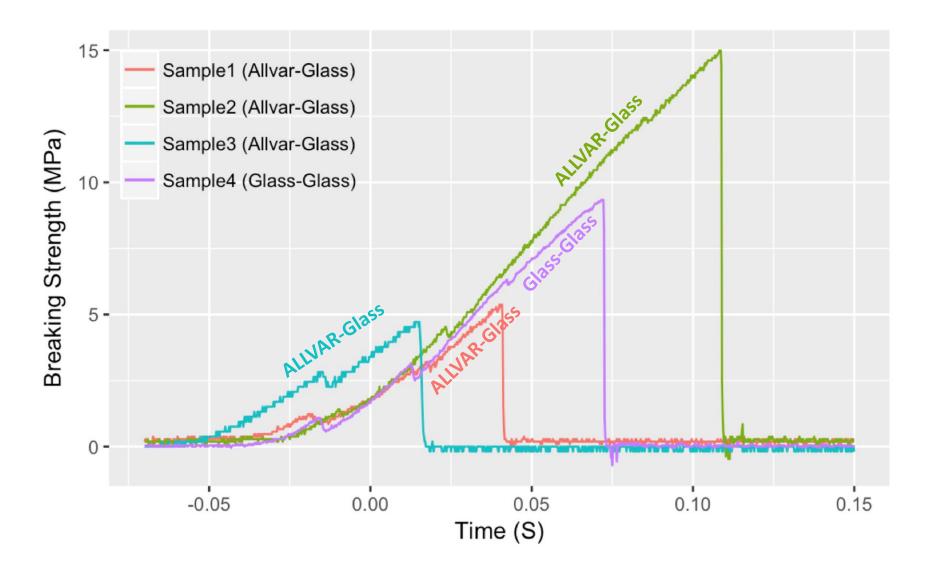
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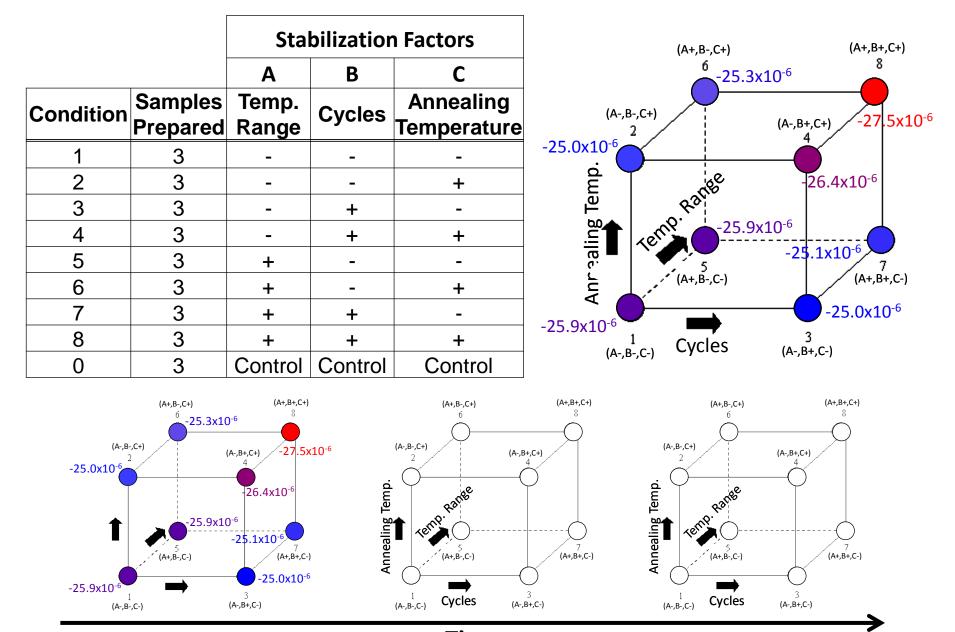
Room Temperature Cure

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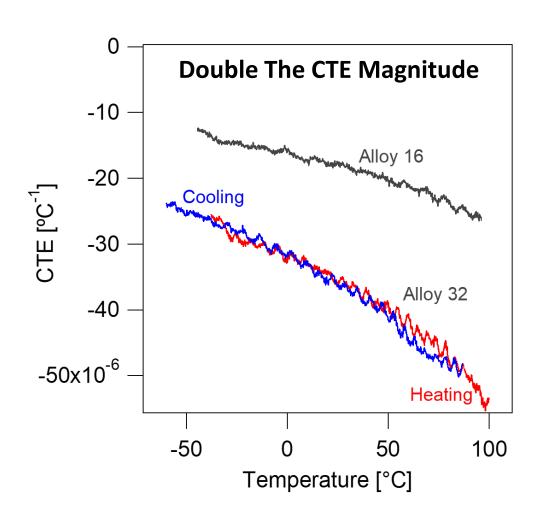


Temporal Stability



Time

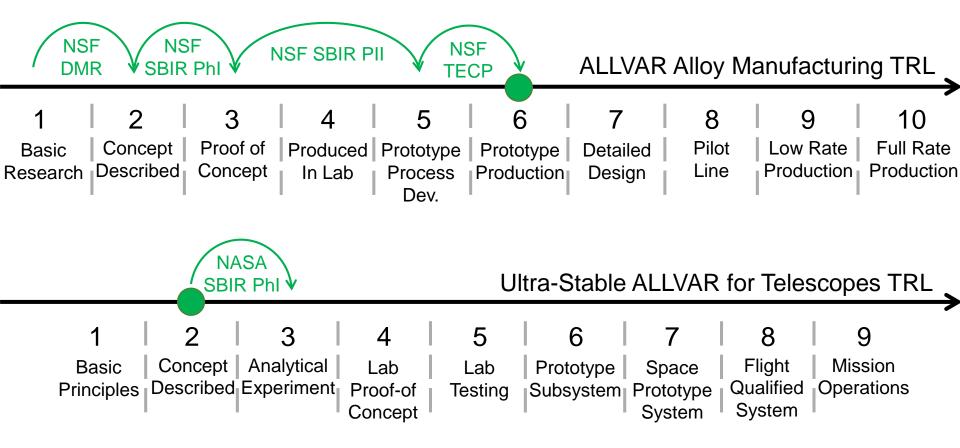
New Capabilities







Past, Present, and Future



Outstanding Questions

- 1) What is the long term dimensional stability of ALLVAR Alloys?
- 2) What is the achievable CTE tolerance using hydroxide bonding?
- 3) How does radiation affect dimensional stability?
- 4) Other Questions...



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