

# Alloys by design

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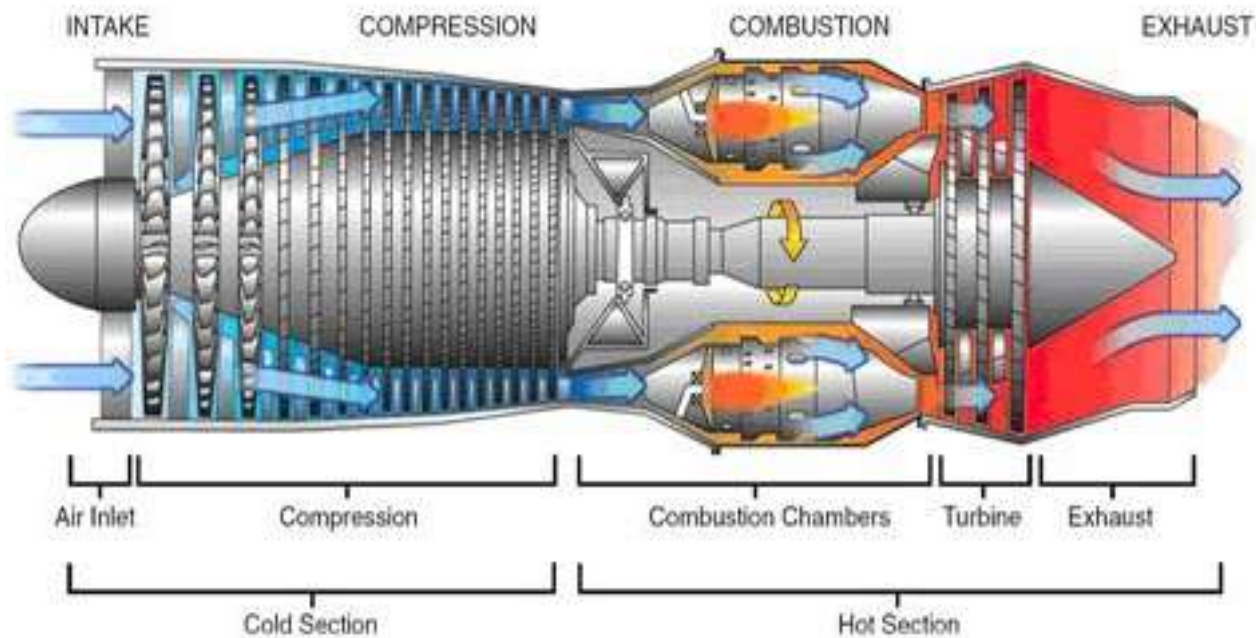




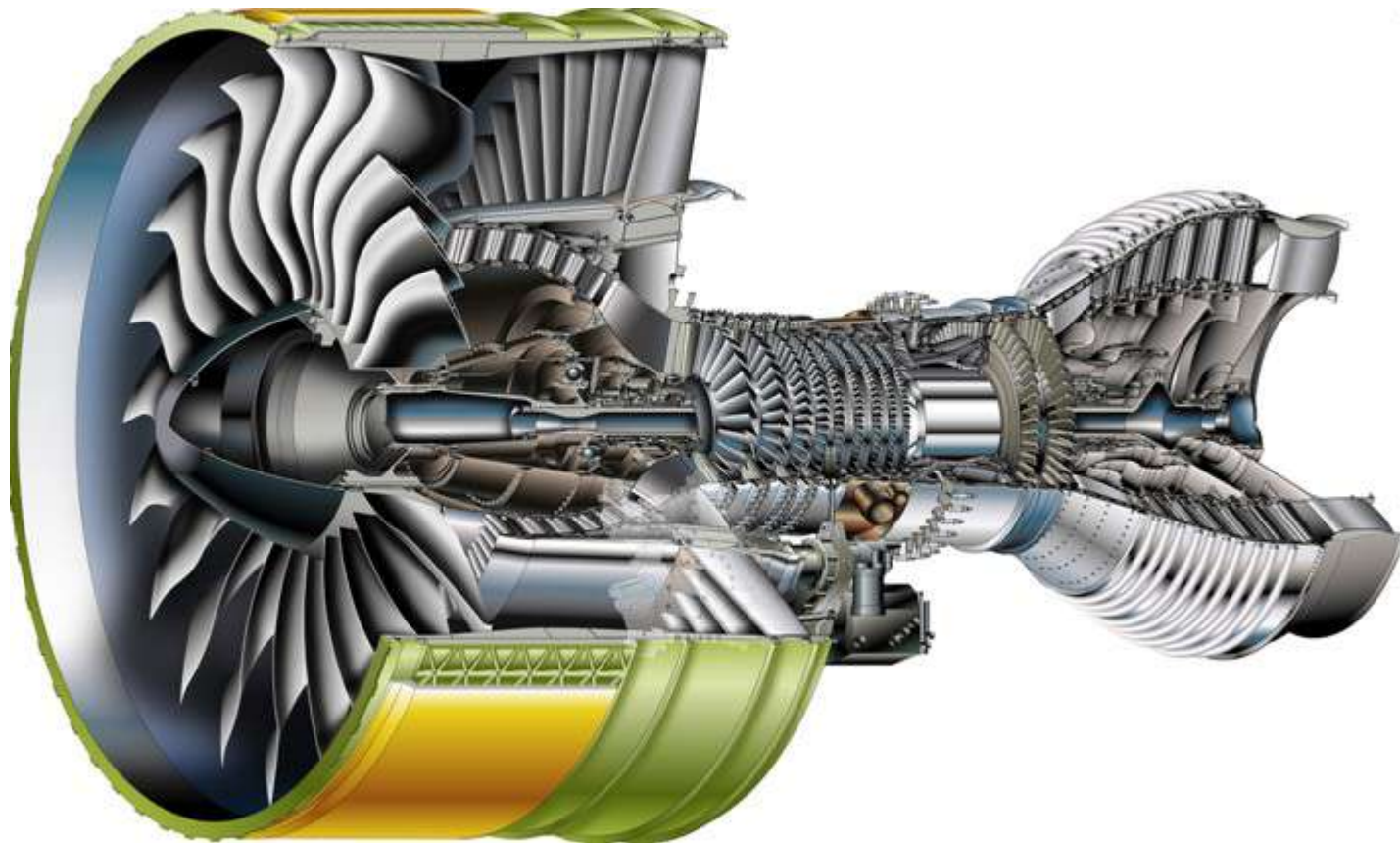
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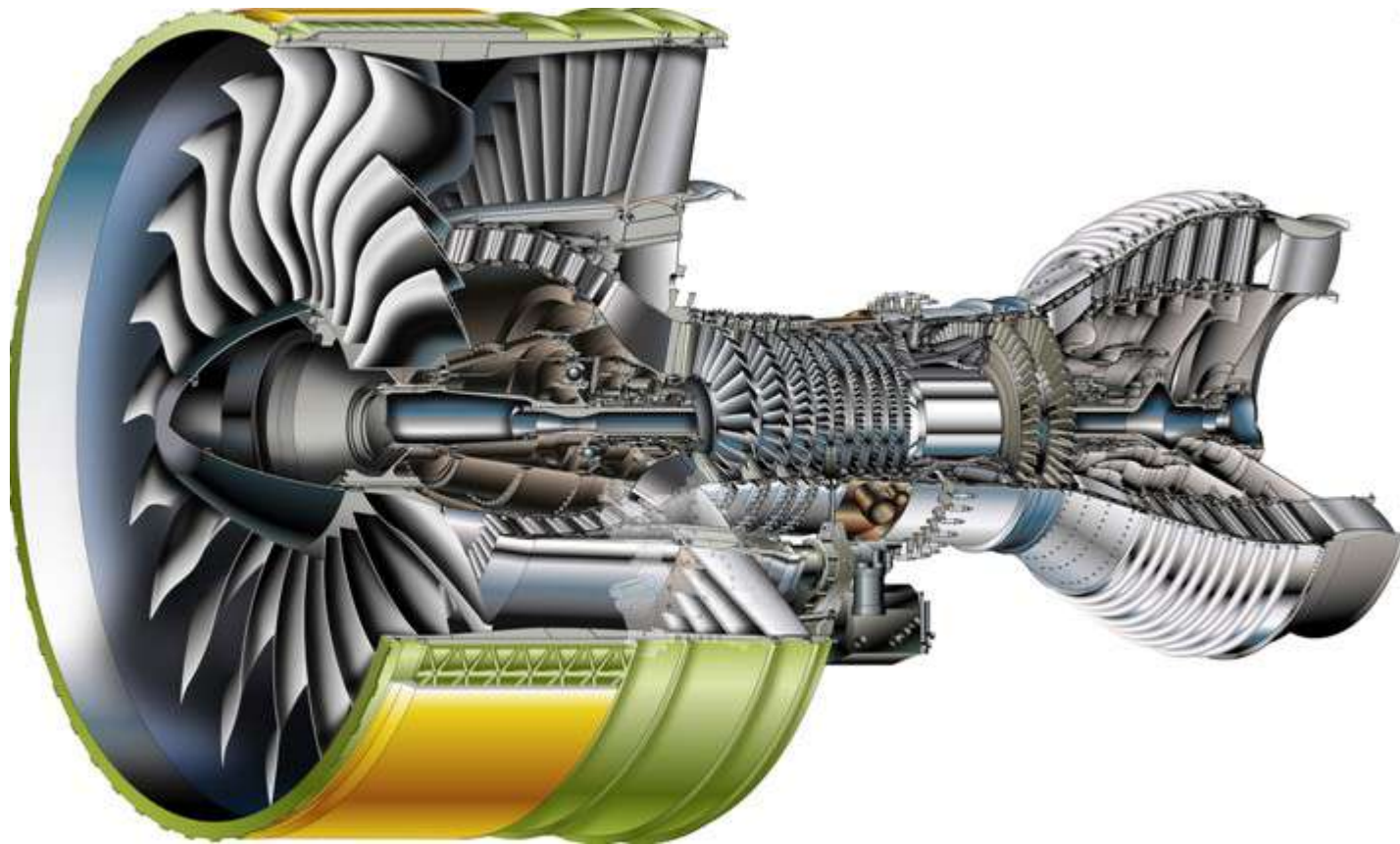


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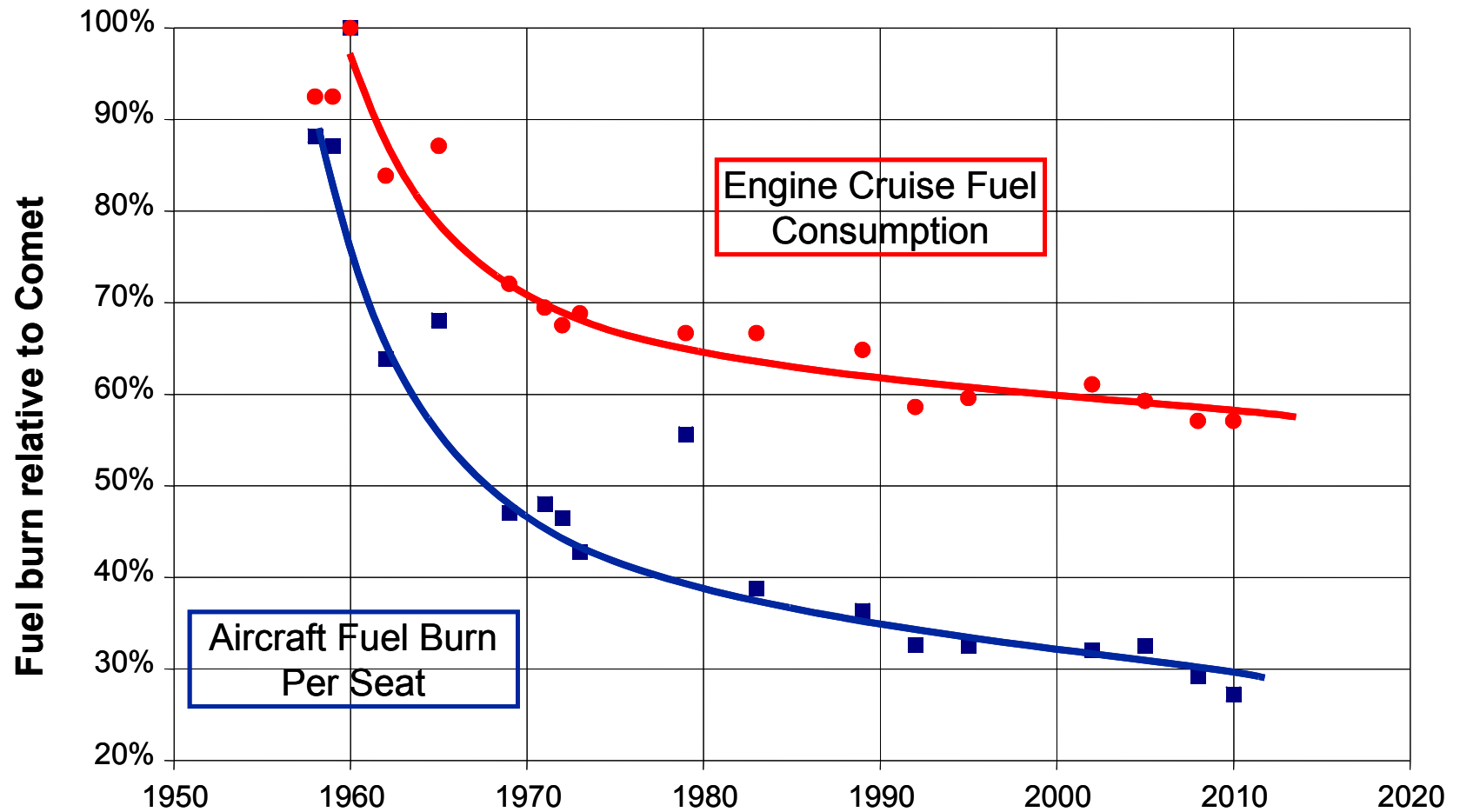


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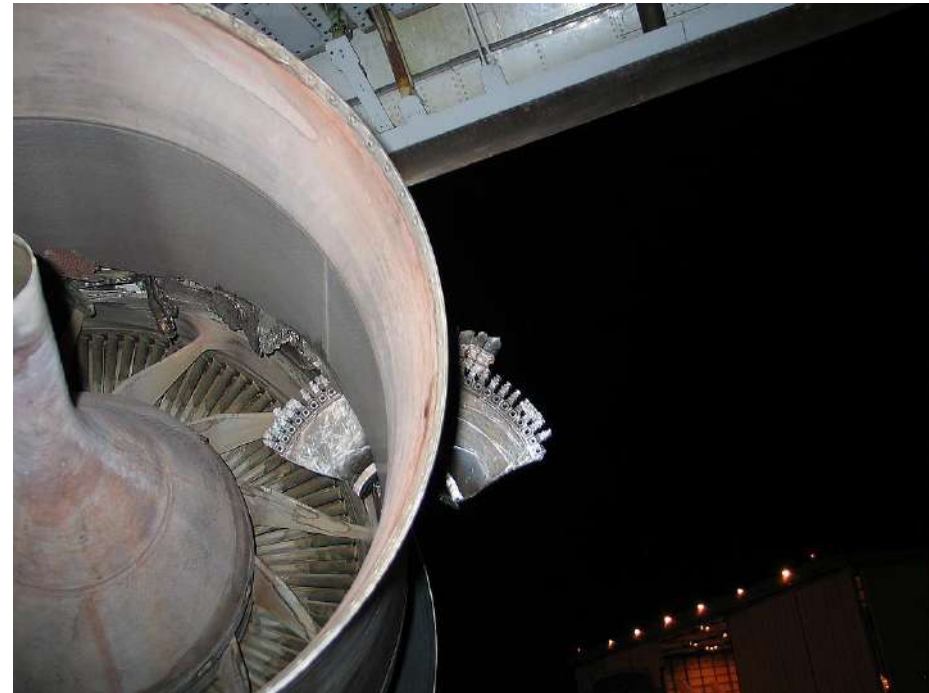
$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{p^2}{2m}$$



# Aircraft fuel efficiency over the past 50 years

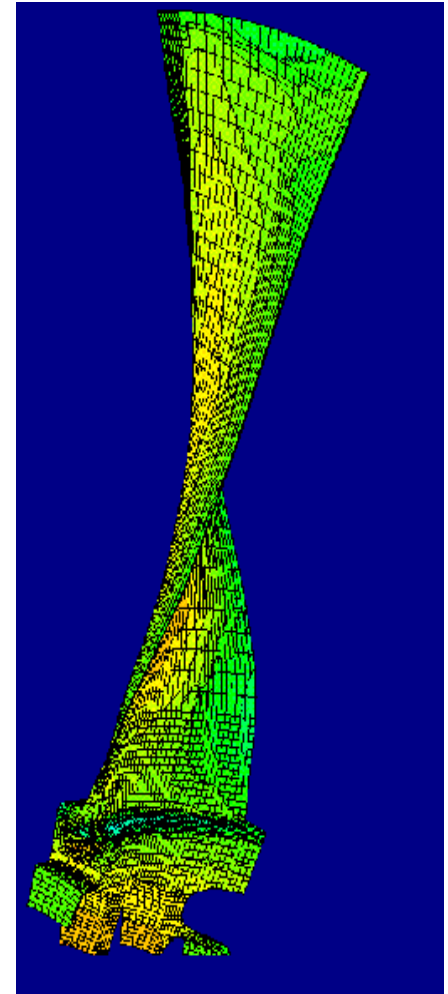


# Jet engine: turbine discs

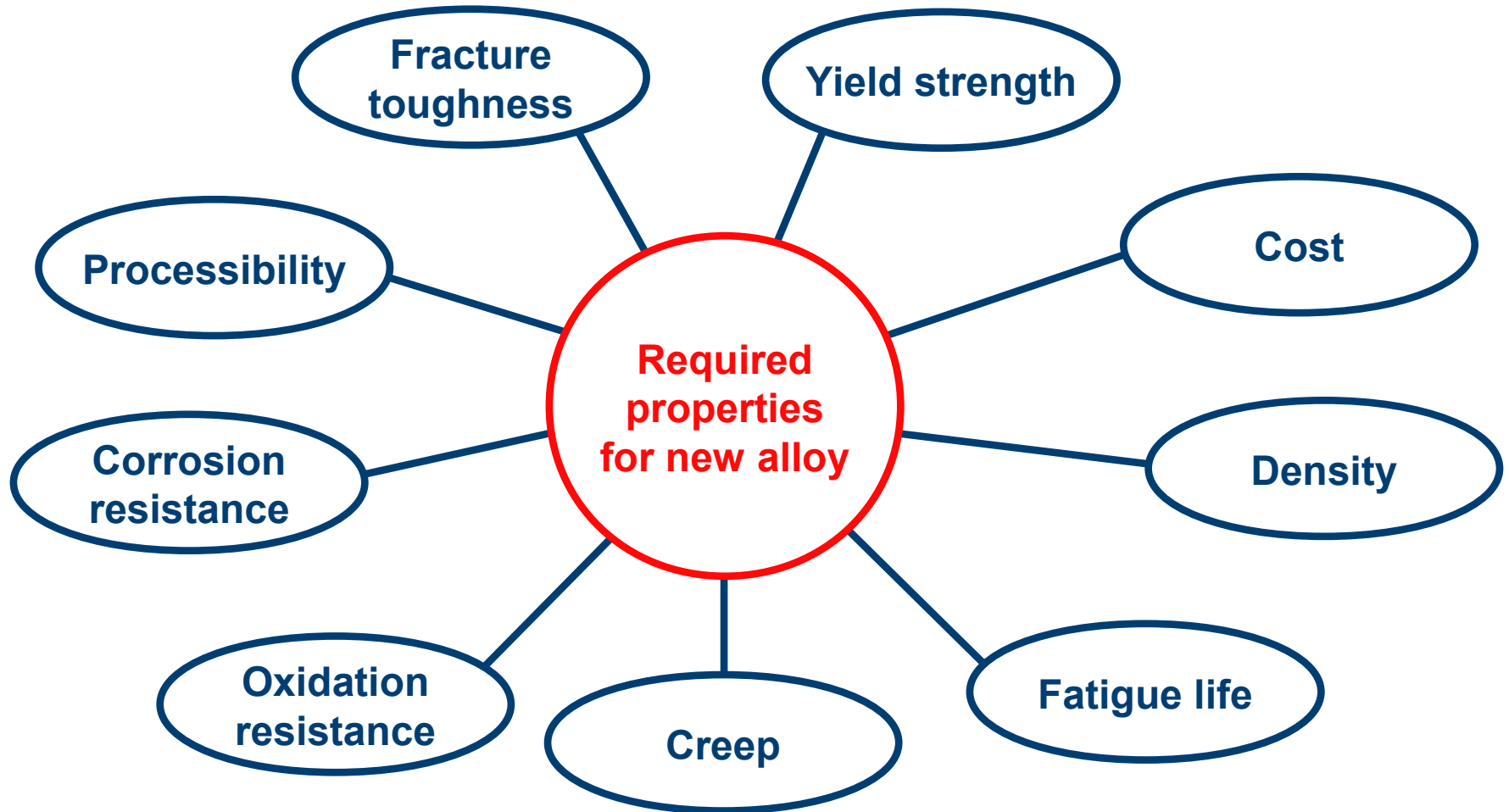


# Certification – fan blades & birds!

- Small bird: Number based on area of front of engine, maximum 16, mass 55 - 110g (e.g. starlings)
- Medium bird: Number based on area of front of engine, maximum 10, mass 0.7 kg (e.g. seagull)
- Large bird: 1 bird, mass at least 1.8 kg at speeds up to  $2500\text{ms}^{-1}$



# Designing a new alloy – what is required ?





# Types of property models

- **For efficient development, predictions must take seconds or less**
  - × Experimental data (weeks/months)
  - ✓ Neural networks (nano/micro seconds)
- **Combine estimates of individual properties to give overall probability of success**

# Multidimensional design space

**Cr**



**Co**



**Mo**



**W**



**Ta**



**Nb**



**Al**



**Ti**



**Fe**



**Mn**



**Si**



**C**



**B**



**Zr**



**Cu**



**N**



**P**



**V**



**Hf**



**Mg**



**Ni**

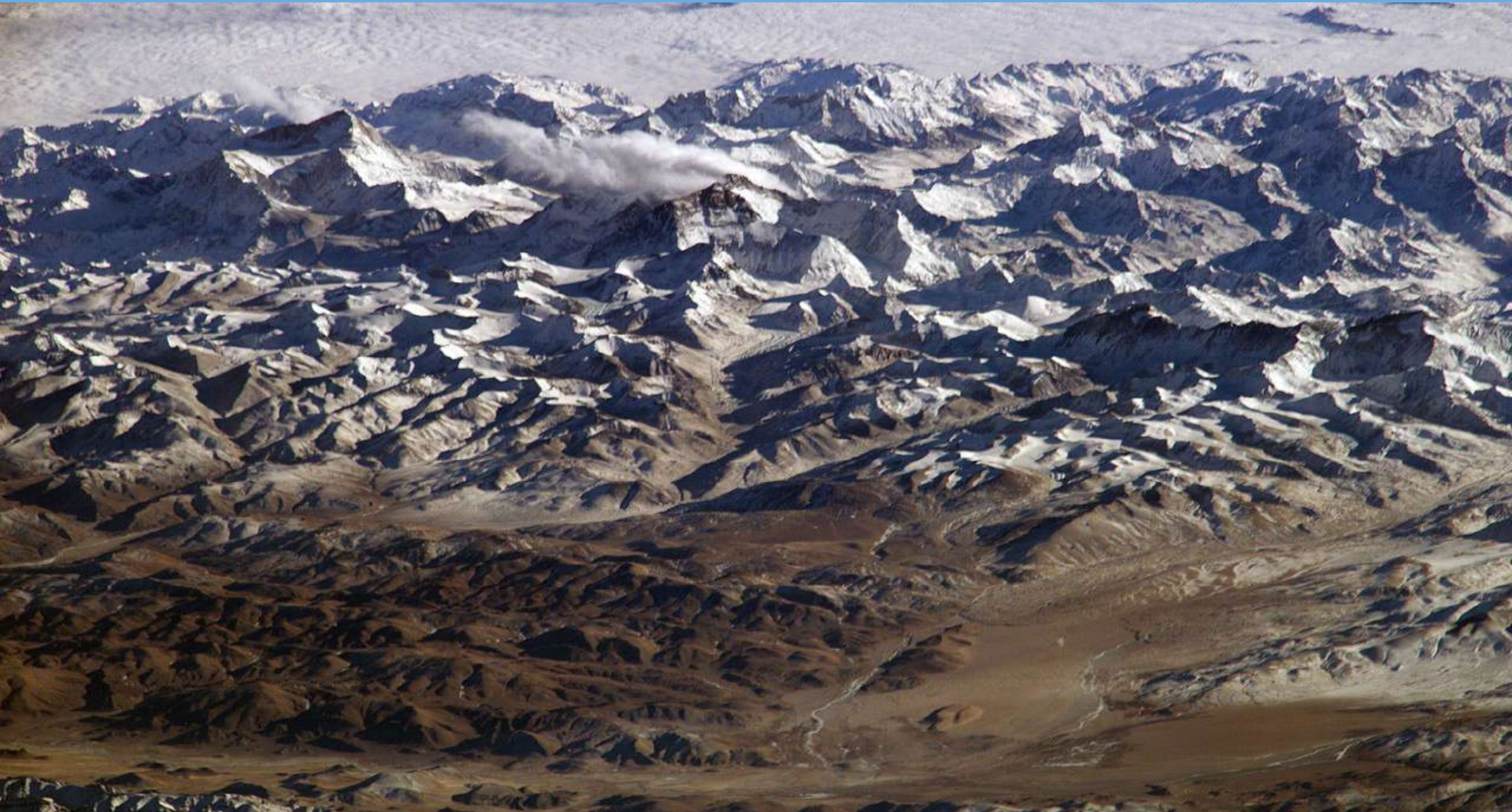


and 4 different manufacturing processes

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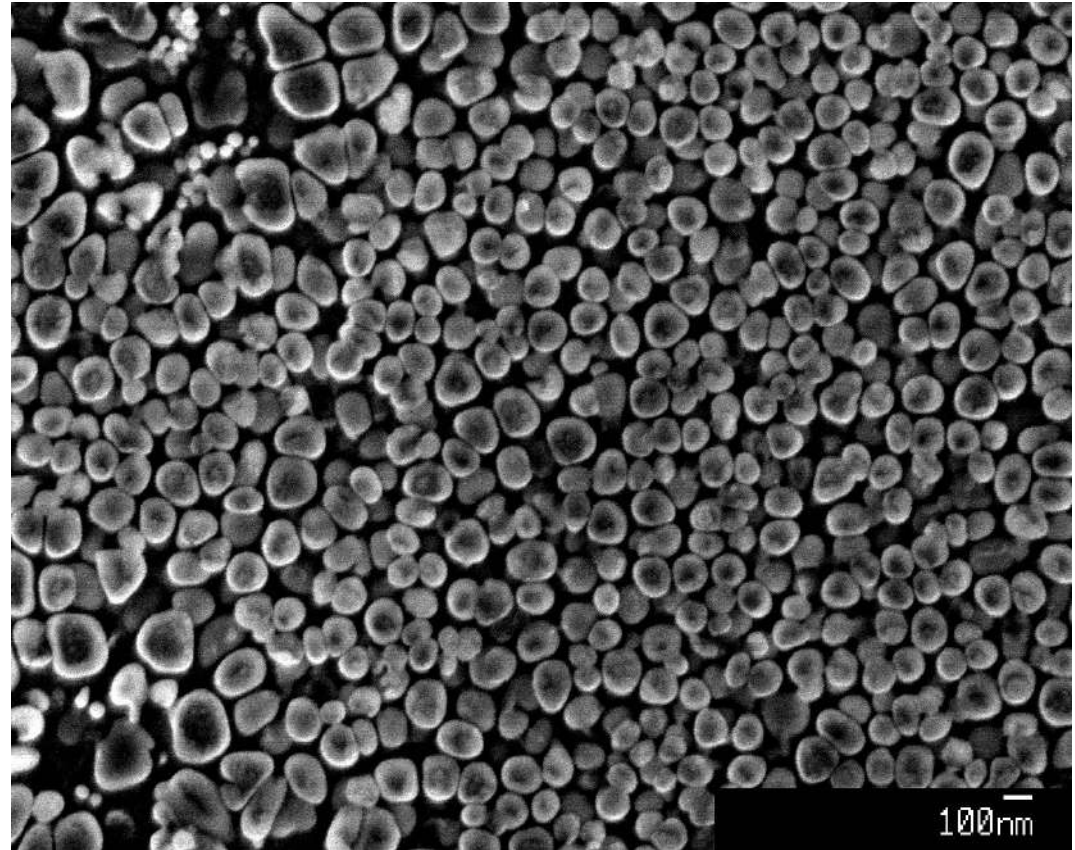


# Automated sampling - parallel optimization



# Predicted material

- Processed according to model predictions
- Property assessment underway



# Conclusions: scientific

- Developed new algorithms to optimize a material's properties
- Manufactured proposed alloy with testing underway

# Conclusions: why work in material sciences?

- Union of different sciences that encourages analysis with a variety of techniques – analytical, numerics, and experiments
- Close connection to real-world problems
- Strong academic funding and well-paid industrial jobs