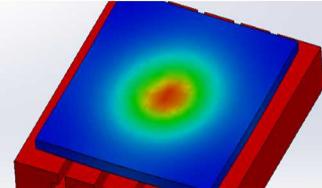
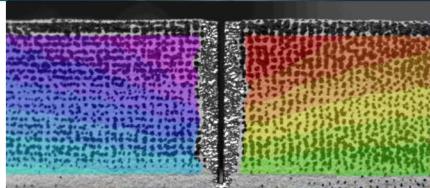


# Overview of and Design for Additive Manufacturing



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# Outline

- Overview of Additive Manufacturing Technologies
- Other Additive Manufacturing Techniques
- Design Considerations
- Go Over Example Part Design

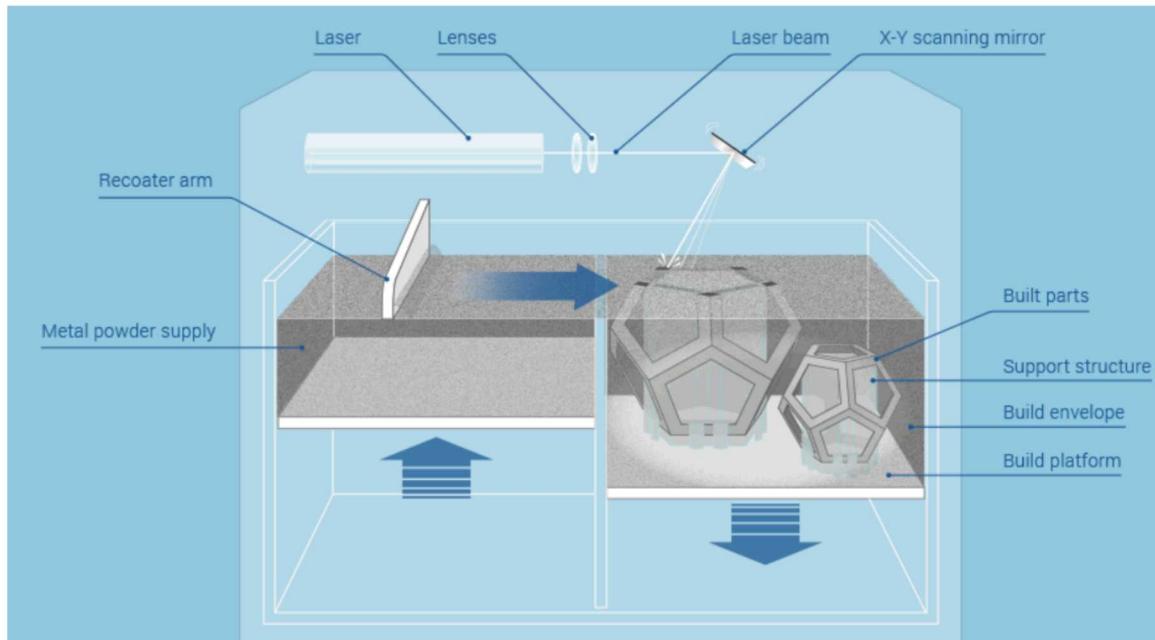


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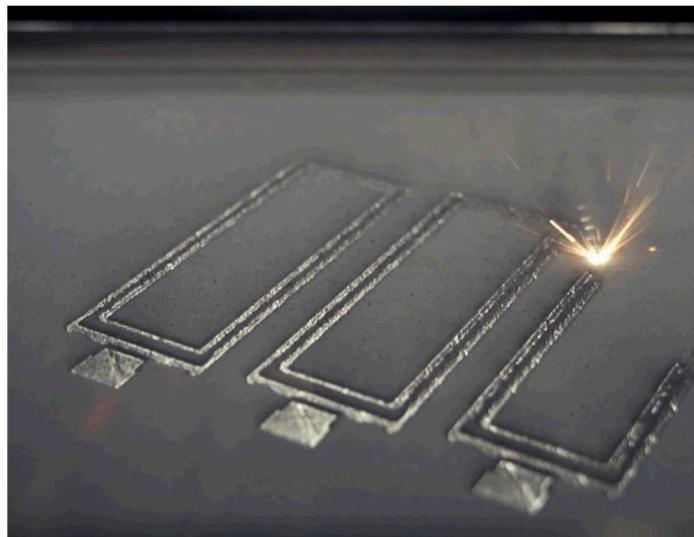


# Powder Bed

- Uses laser or electron beam to selectively melt particles
- Parts can be applied to engineering applications
- High residual stress in Selective Laser Sintering (SLS) but not so much in Electron Beam Powder Bed (EBPB).
- Can be used to print most materials that are in powder form
- Most common use is for metals
- Excellent feature resolution and surface finish



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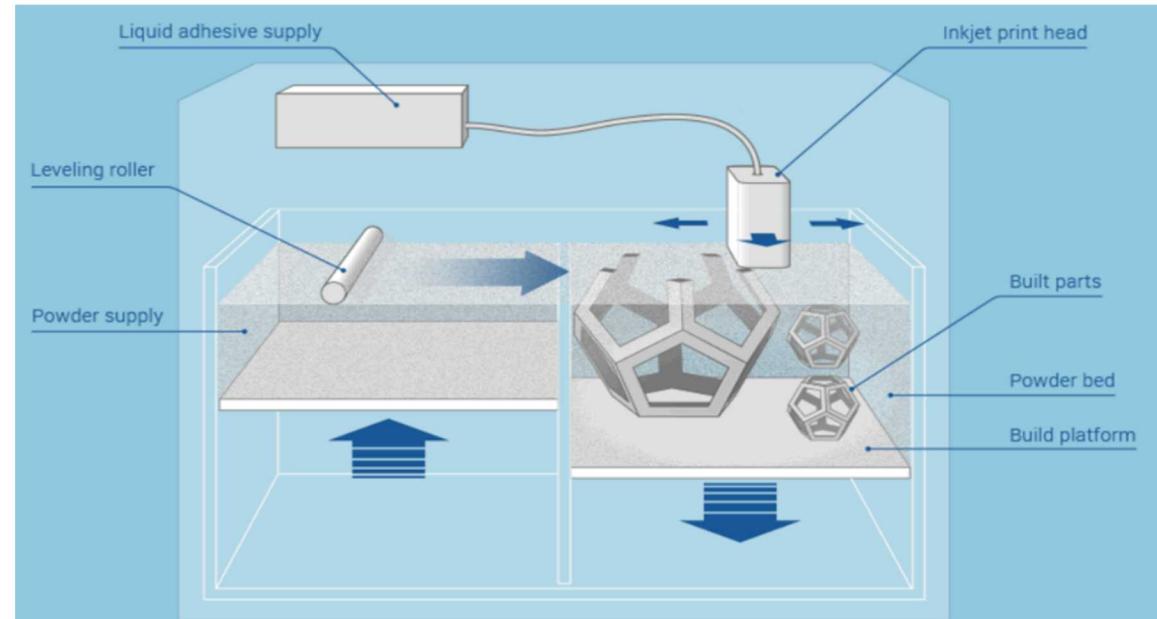


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Image of 3D systems Pro-X 200

# Binder Jet

- Uses binder adhesive to hold powder particles together
- Binder is then burnt out and particles are sintered
- Low densities require post processing (post processing required for engineering applications)
- Low residual stress
- Relatively inexpensive
- Can do large overhangs and bridges without support



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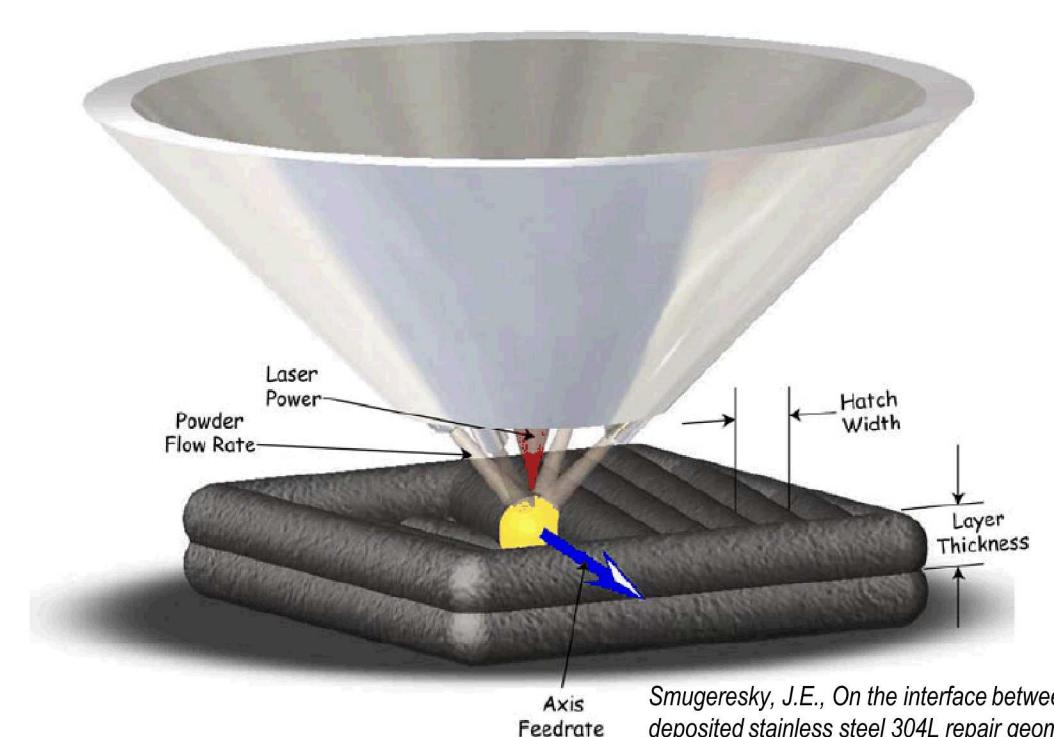
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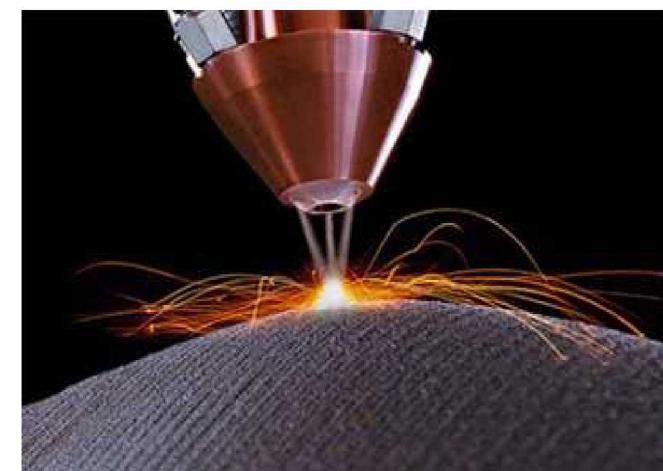
Digital Metal Binder Jet <http://www.metal-am.com/digital-metal-begins-commercial-production-binder-jet-metal-systems/>

# LENS (Laser Engineered Net Shaping)

- Invented at Sandia National Labs
- Powder injection moves with laser and nozzle
- Can be used in Multi Material and Functionally Graded applications
- Can be used in hybrid additive subtractive applications
- High density of parts
- Poor surface finish
- Does not handle overhangs and bridges well

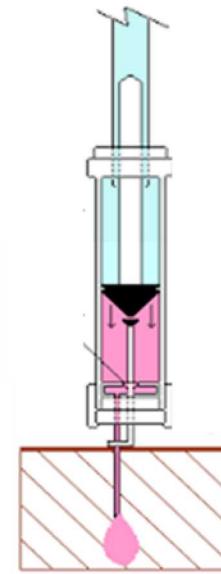


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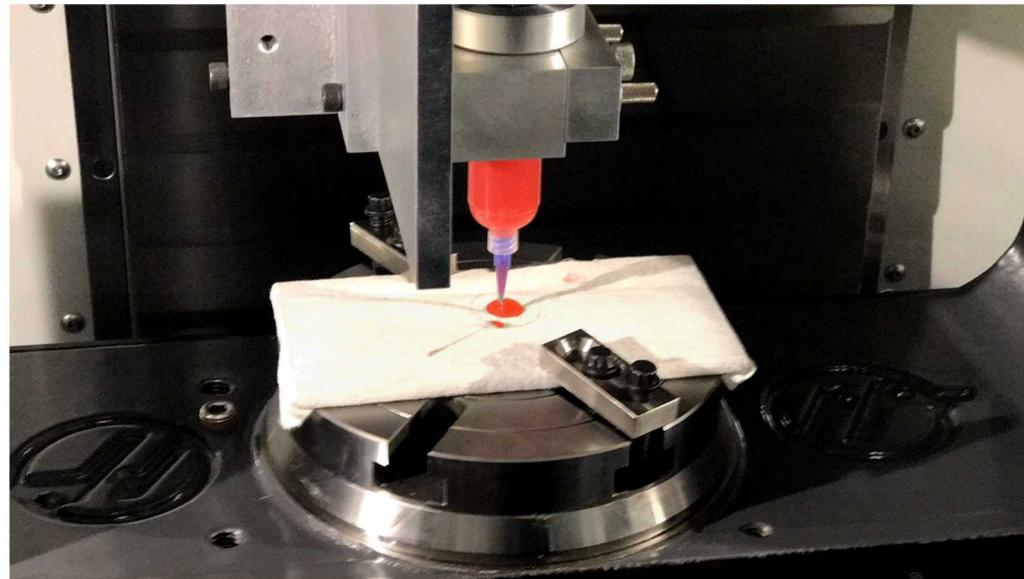


# Extrusion Printing

- Material loaded in syringes
- Syringe pump dispenses material through a nozzle
- Small overhangs, but in general bridges cannot be achieved
- Commonly used to dispense materials that are loaded with ceramics or metals
- High deposition rates are commonly achieved
- Is often difficult to “shutter” the deposition making starts and stops messy

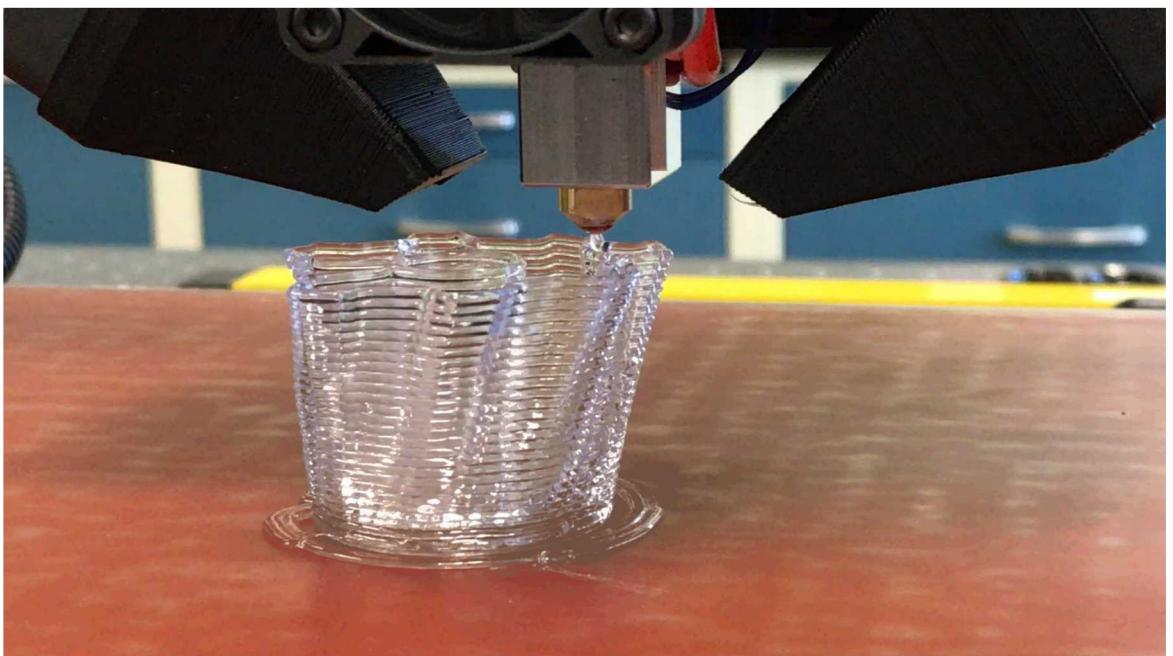
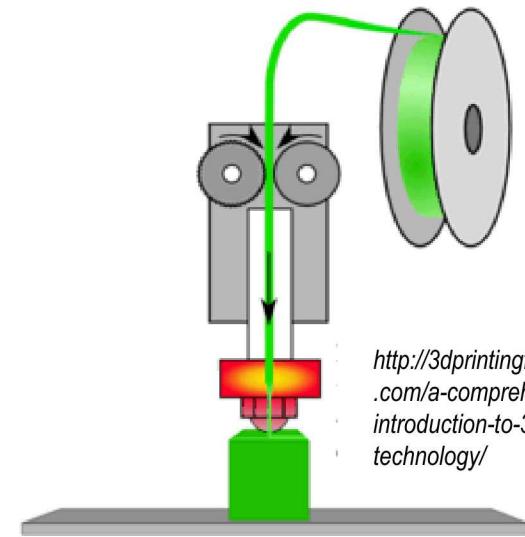
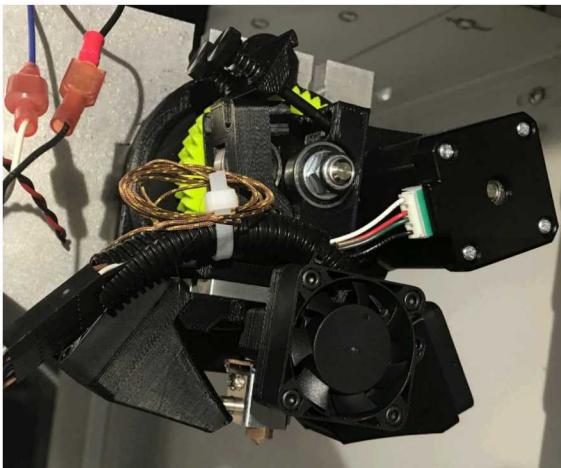


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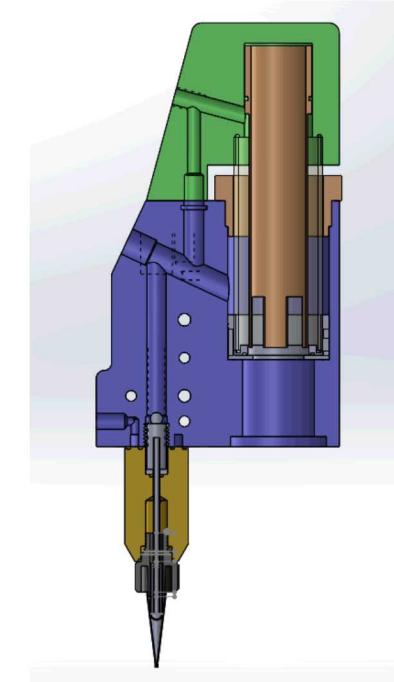
# FDM (Fused Deposition Modeling)

- Most common type of 3D printing especially for the hobbyist
- Filament is fed into hot tip and extruded as a bead of material
- Overhangs more than  $\approx 40^\circ$  and most bridges need support material
- Working temperature  $90^\circ\text{C}$ -  $290^\circ\text{C}$
- Bed temperature  $25^\circ\text{C}$ -  $110^\circ\text{C}$
- Most commonly used for polymers that can be extruded into wire form
- Some experimental work has been done on filaments loaded with metals and ceramics



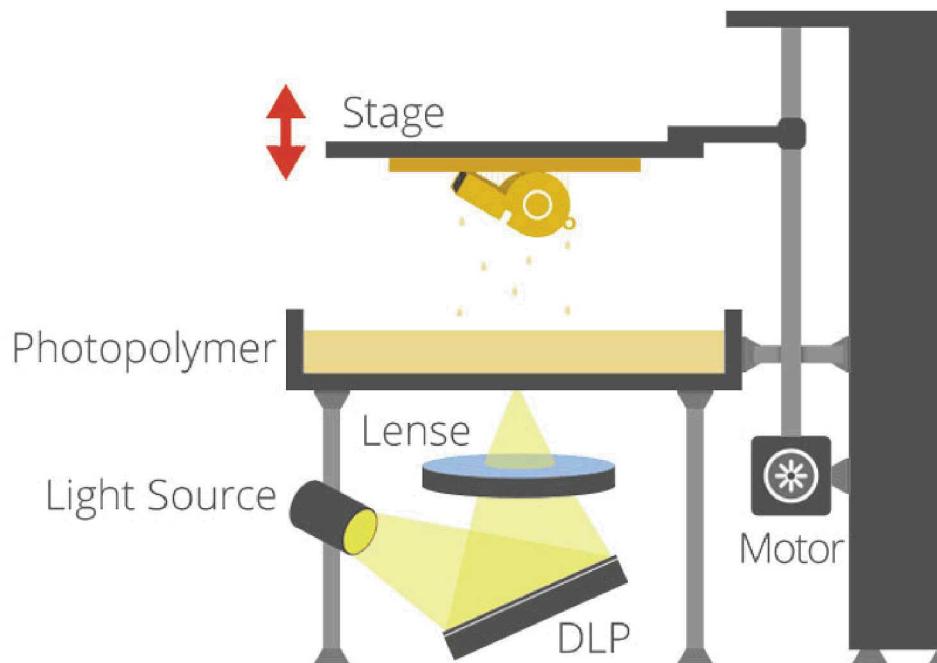
# NanoJet

- Invented at Sandia National Labs
- Atomized cartridge of ink
- Carrier gas transports ink particles to the substrate
- Aerodynamic focusing of particles controls deposition width
- Layer heights 0.5-5 micron
- Deposition widths 0.05 – 0.15mm
- Generally prints 2D/ coatings because layer thickness is so small
- Loaded inks generally have the particles in Nano sizes

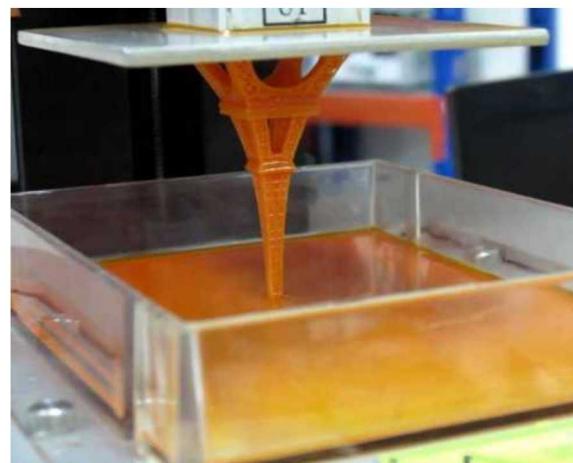


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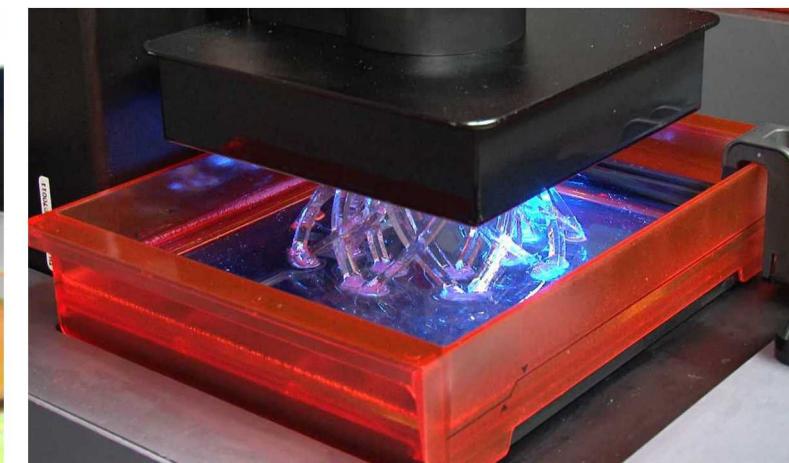
- Uses UV curable resins and inks
- Extremely high resolution
- Can have excellent surface finish
- Some printers can print base ball sized parts in 10-20 minutes
- Great for intricate features and large amounts of detail
- Resins can be loaded with metals and inks (but this is still very experimental)
- Many systems are available at affordable prices for high end hobby uses



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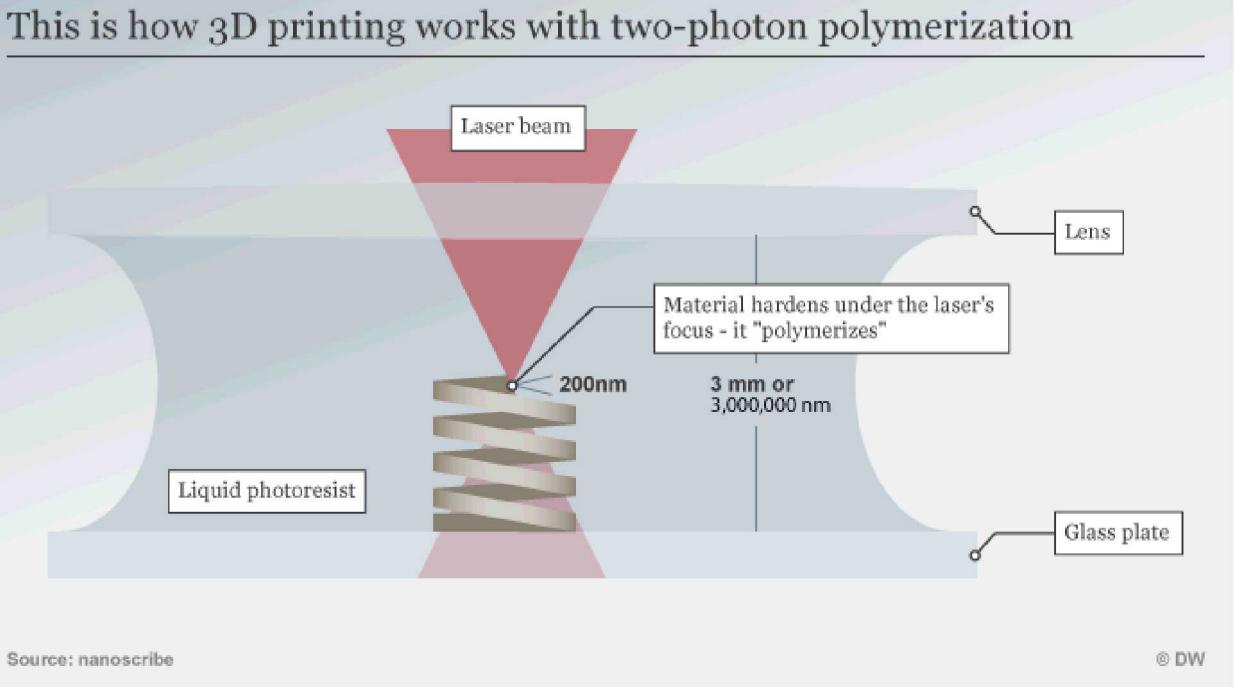
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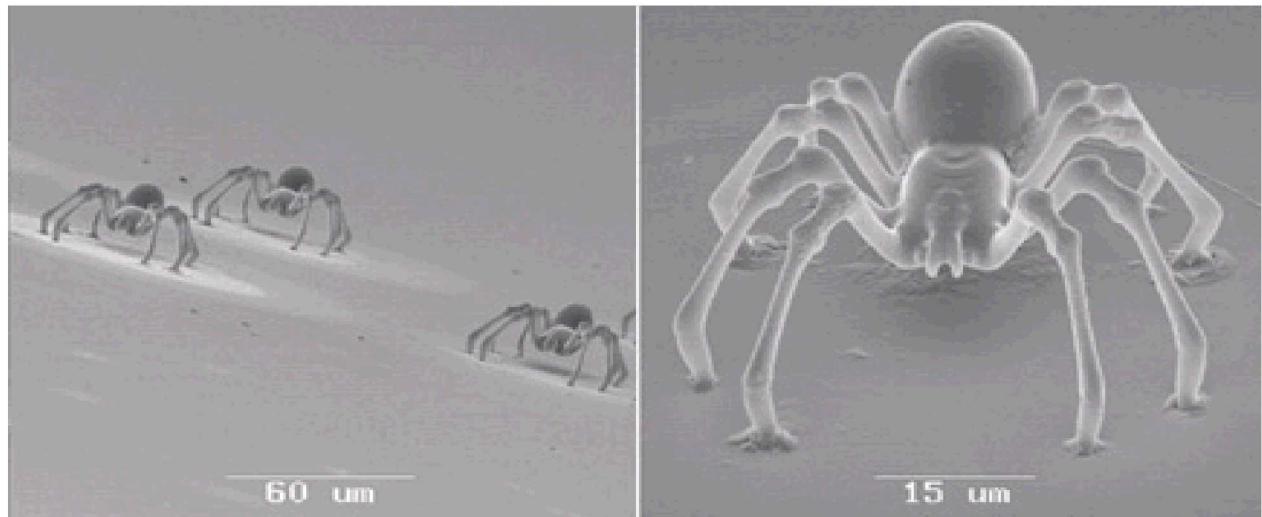
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## 2 Photon Nano

- Uses near infrared laser to cure UV curable photoresists
- Resolution on the micron and sub-micron level can be achieved
- Cannot generally print parts more than a few millimeters
- Applications in microelectronics, biological, batteries and others



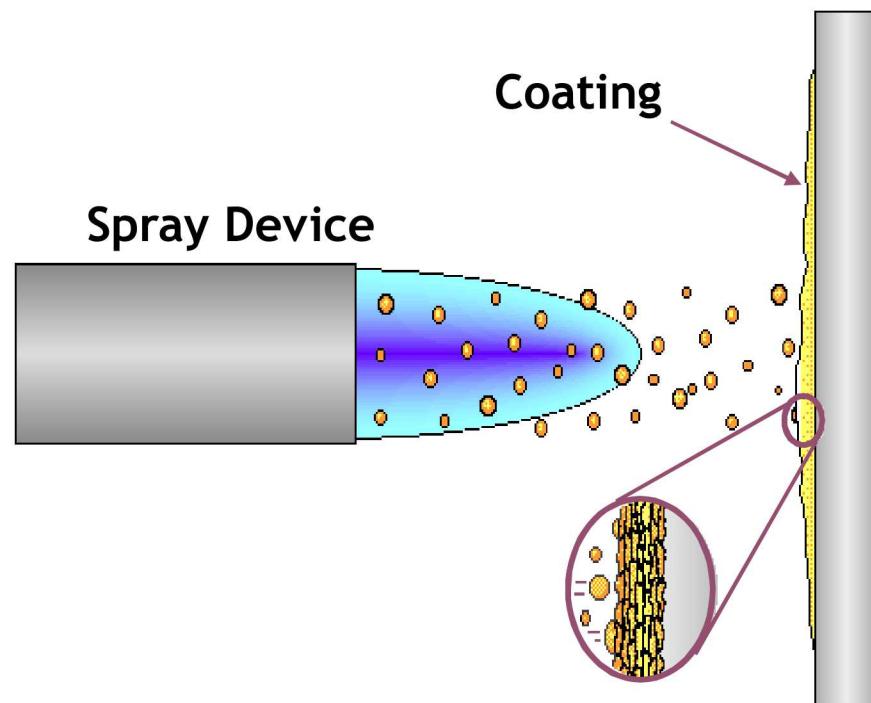
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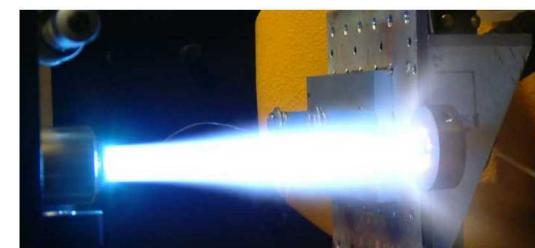
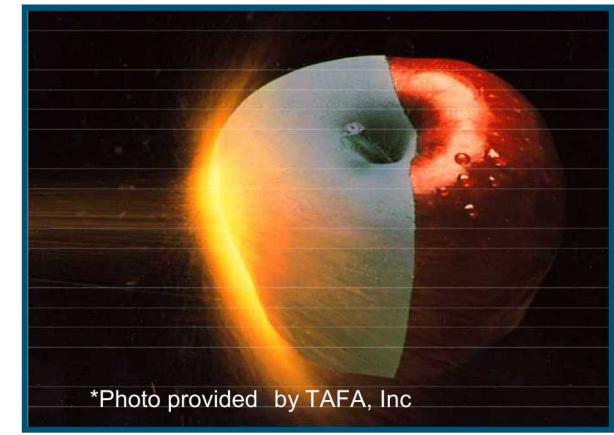
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# Thermal Spray

- Thermal spraying = coating processes in which heated/melted materials are deposited onto a surface.
- High deposition rate over large area. \*mostly constrained by line-of-sight.
- Thickness range ~ 20 um to several mms, depending on process/feedstock.
- Quality assessed by measuring porosity, oxide content (in metallic coatings), hardness, bond strength and surface roughness. Generally, the coating quality increases with increasing particle velocities.



Particle Temperature & Velocity at impact  
determine coating microstructure and properties.



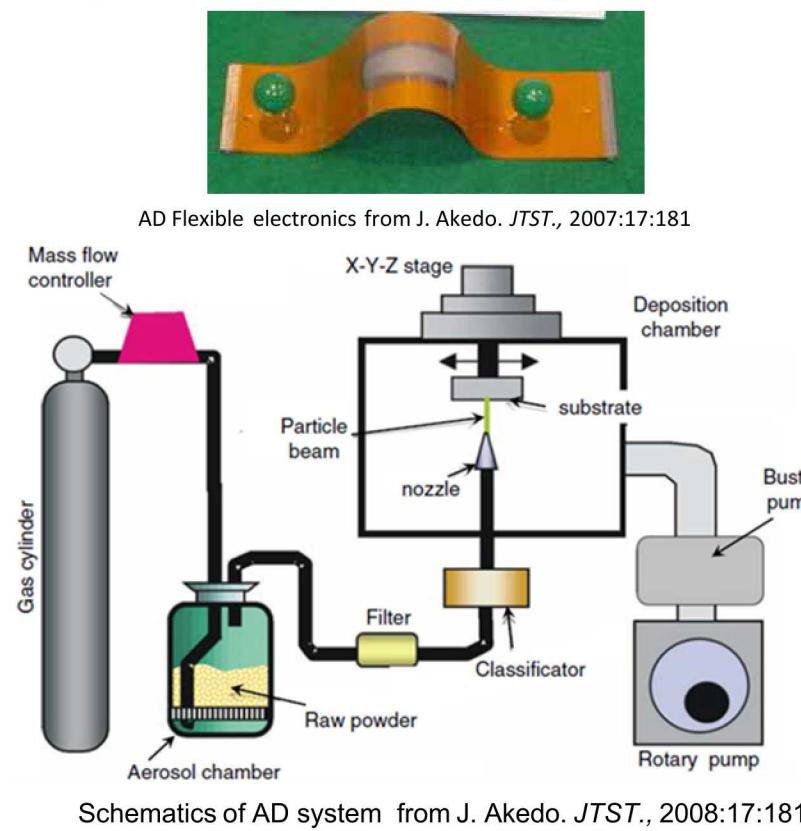
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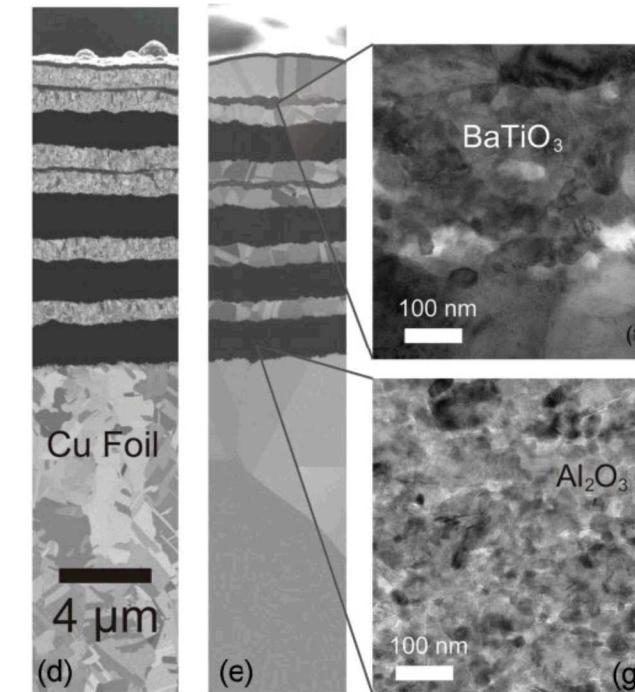
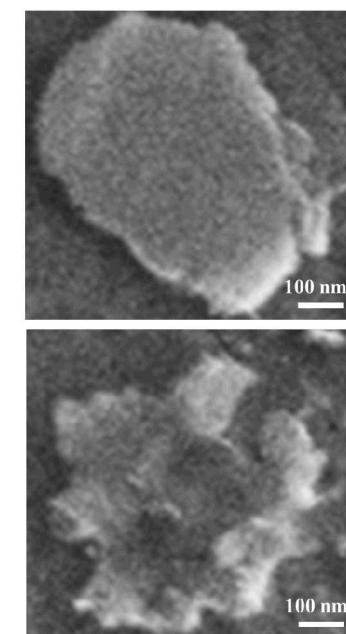
# Aerosol Deposition

- Solid Sub-micrometer Particle Deposition
- High density, nanocrystalline coatings, upto  $100\text{ }\mu\text{m}$  thick possible
- Metallic, Ceramic, Polymer, Composites
- Compressive Residual Stress

Ceramics are conventionally processed at  $> 700^\circ\text{C}$ . A room temperature (RT) process eliminates high processing temperature, enabling materials integration.



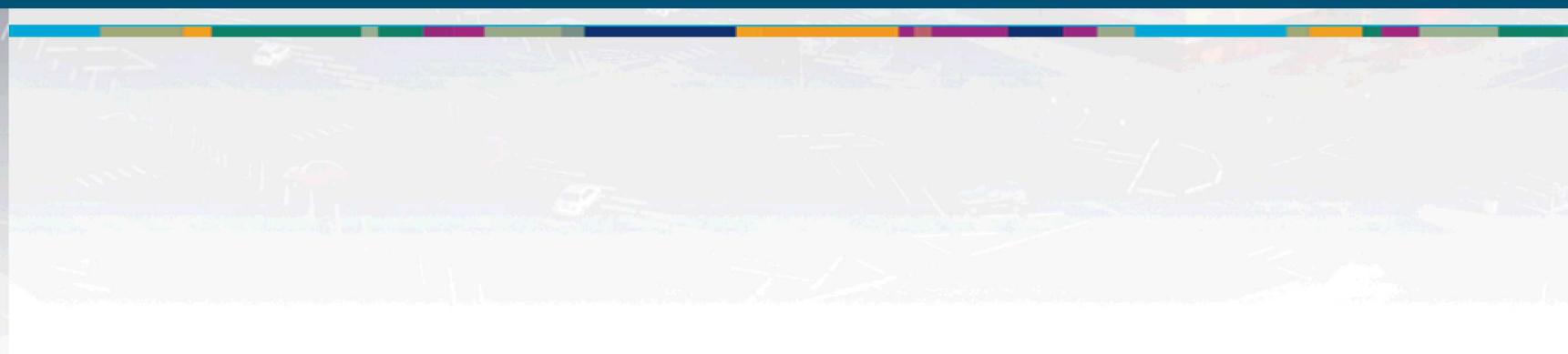
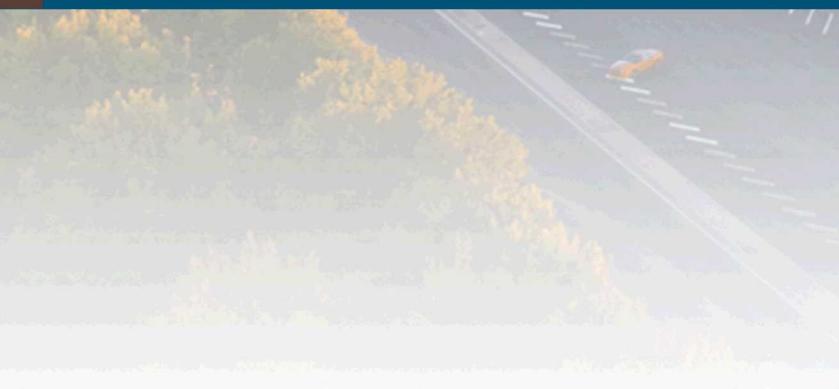
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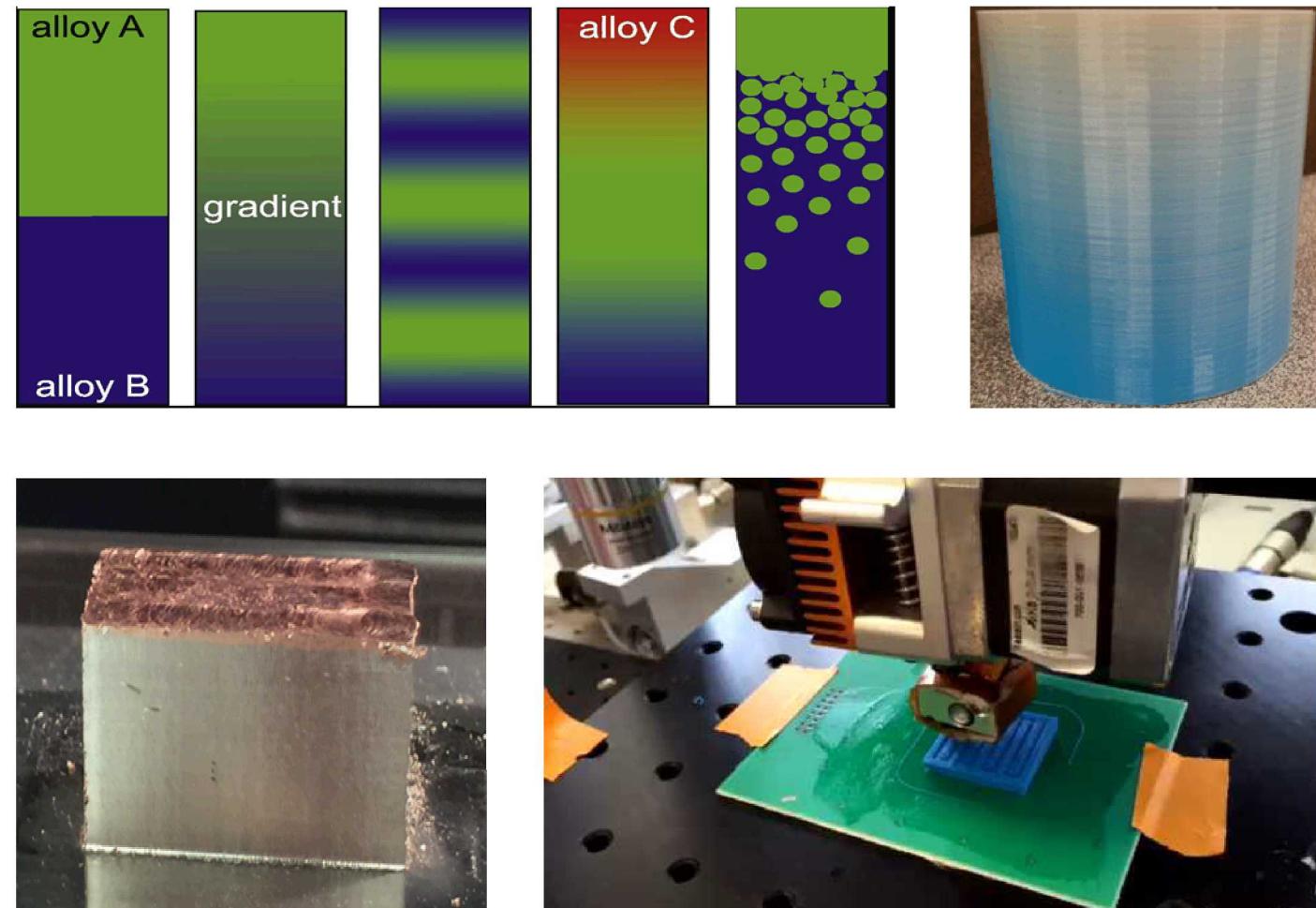


# Other Additive Manufacturing Techniques



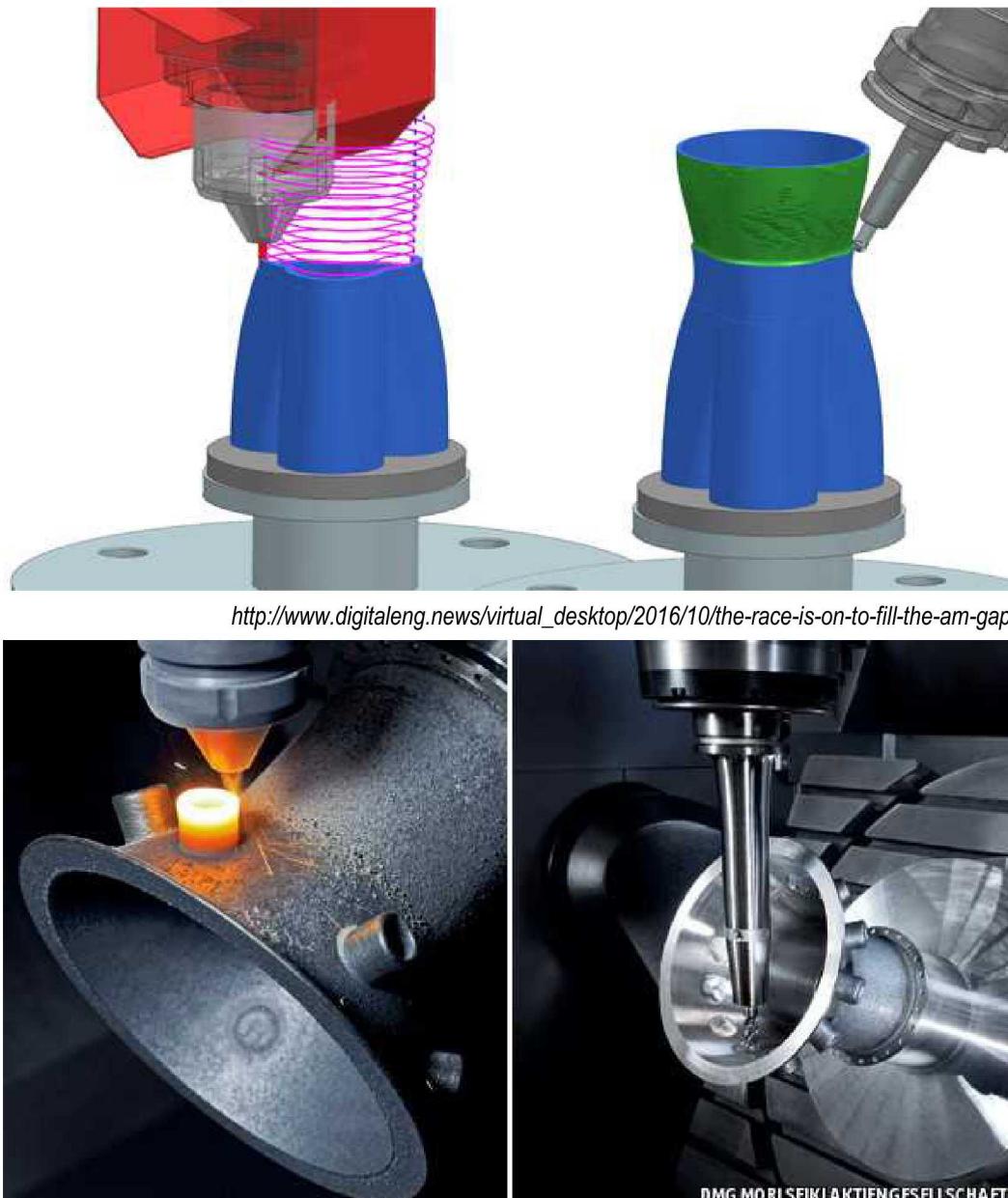
# Functional Grading and Multi-Material Printing

- Applications where different properties are desired in different areas of a part
- Can be used for embedded sensors or circuitry
- Can make printing of two or more incompatible materials possible
- Must make sure that desired materials can be cured/post processed in the same environment



## Hybrid Additive Subtractive

- Print desired net shape and then use a machining tool on the same piece of equipment to machine high tolerances into the part
- Increases surface finish to those achievable by machining
- Reduces waste, time and money
- Toolpath generation is currently very difficult especially on 4+ axis machines



# Additive Repair

- Utilizes Hybrid Additive Subtractive capabilities for repair of broken parts.
- Material is build up in desired area and then machined into tolerance.
- Repair procedures have been certified for expensive parts by companies such as Rolls Royce and the U.S. Air Force
- Saves money when used on expensive and hard to machine parts

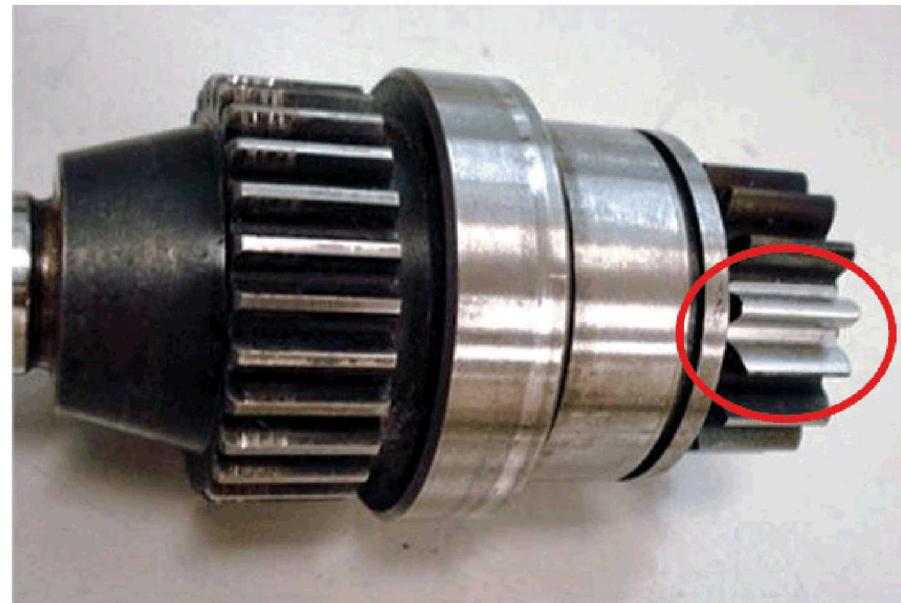


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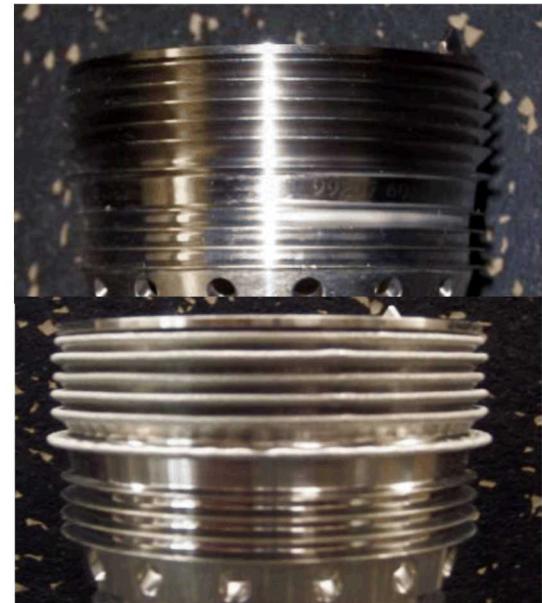


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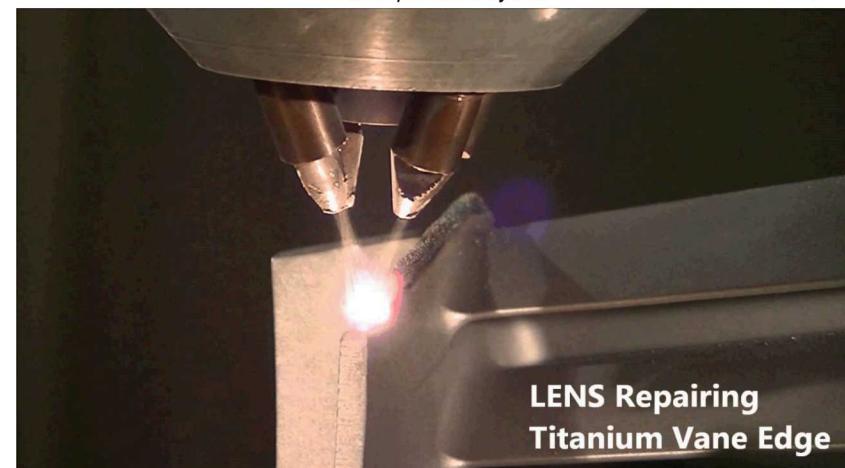


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# Design Considerations



This section covers considerations that a designer should have when choosing a print technology

# Feature Resolution

- Every print technology can achieve different feature resolution. Designers must be familiar with the tool they plan to use so they are aware of limitations
- Feature resolution can vary from material to material on the same print technology
- Feature resolution can be different in the z-direction than in the x-y-directions.

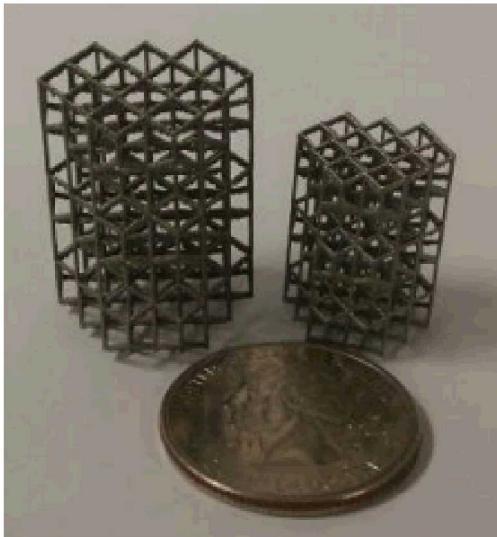


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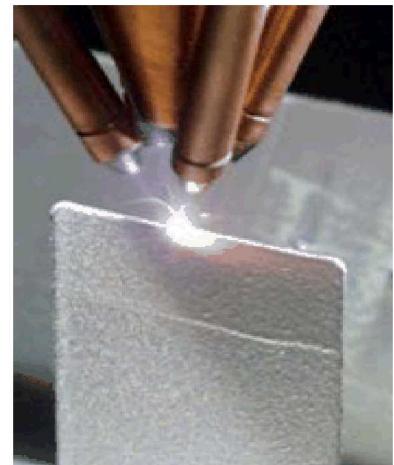


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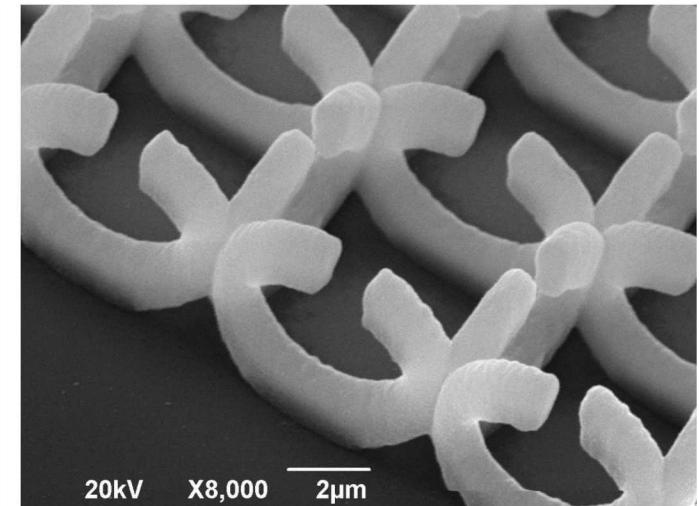


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# Surface Roughness

- Some print technologies can achieve very smooth finish while others may require post processing for desired applications
- Surface roughness can vary across the part depending on conditions in local area (overhangs and bridges can change surface finish)
- Surface finish can be modified by mechanical or chemical methods



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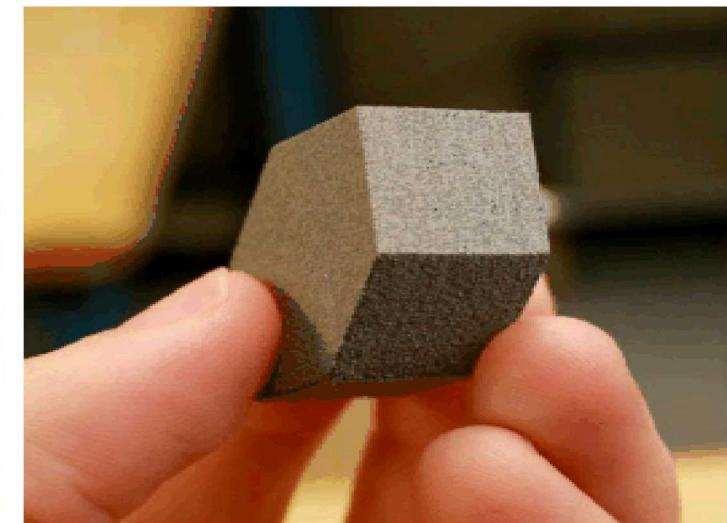
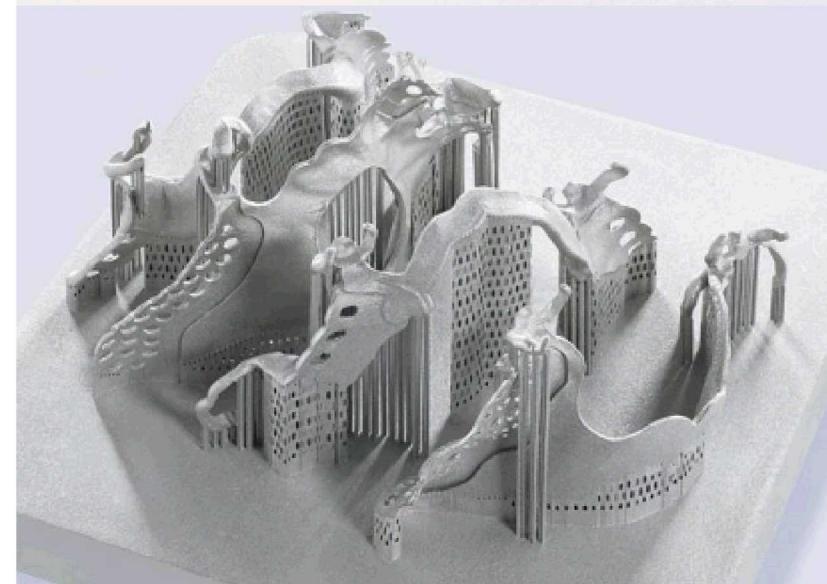


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# Support Requirements

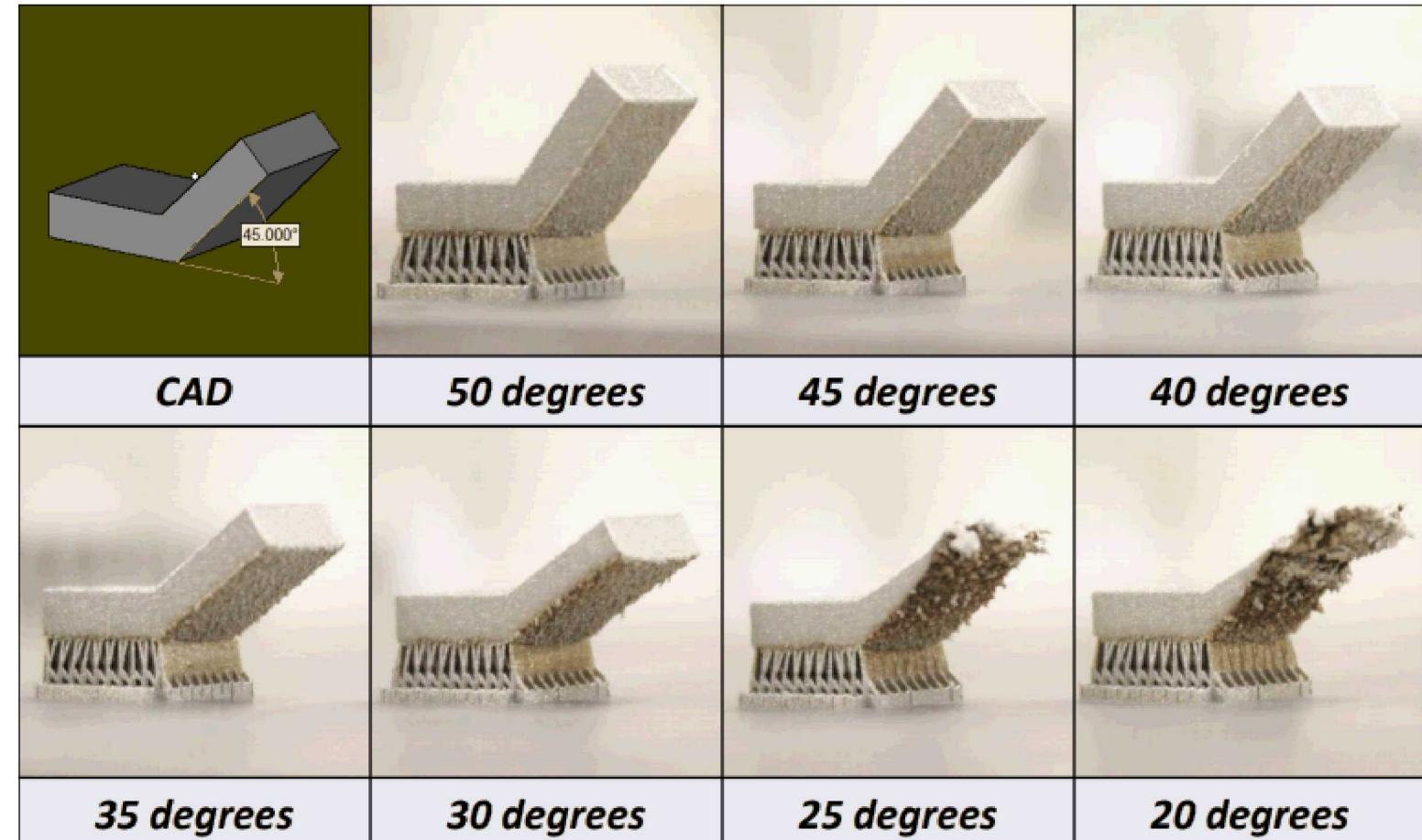
- Most print technologies require support for large overhangs and bridges
- Two main types of supports
  - Use same material as printed part (this is harder to remove, and creates a rough surface finish)
  - Use a different material than the printed part (usually a material is selected that can easily be removed)
- Usually support material is not printed solid, making it weaker and easier to remove



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# Self-Supporting Angles

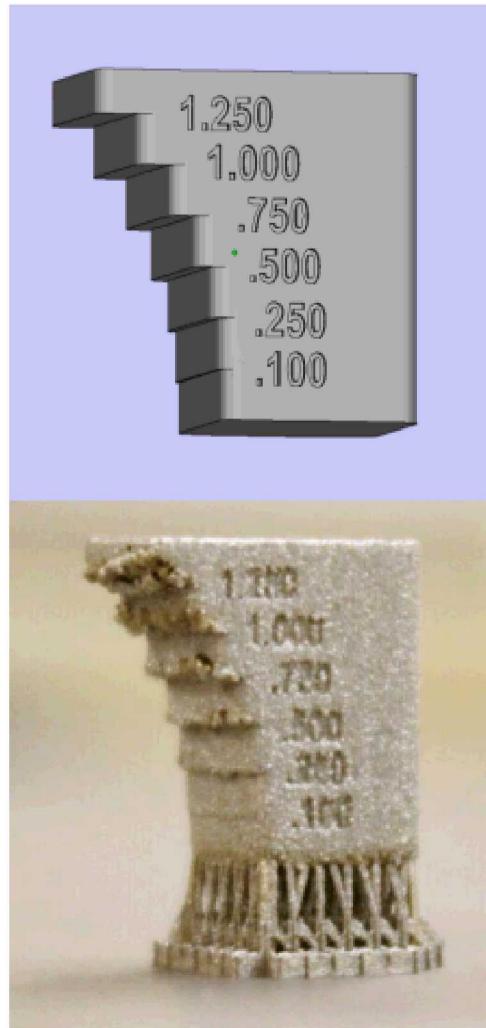
- Most printers can only handle a certain level of overhang without supports
- Surface roughness often gets worse as limits are reached
- Once limits are reached support material must be used to create desired geometry



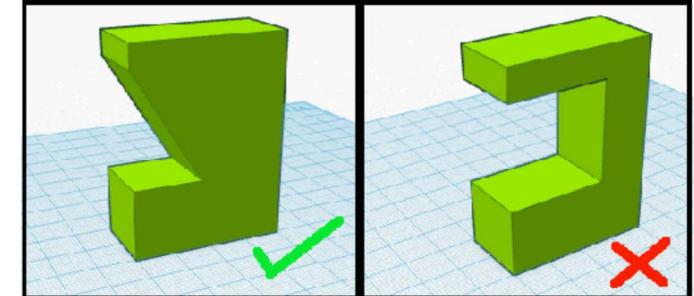
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# Overhangs

- Most printing technologies cannot provide overhangs of substantial length
- Once limits are met, support material must be used to provide necessary support
- Designs that provide a self supporting angle instead of a flat overhang are superior
- Overhangs have an impact on surface roughness especially on the lower side of the overhang



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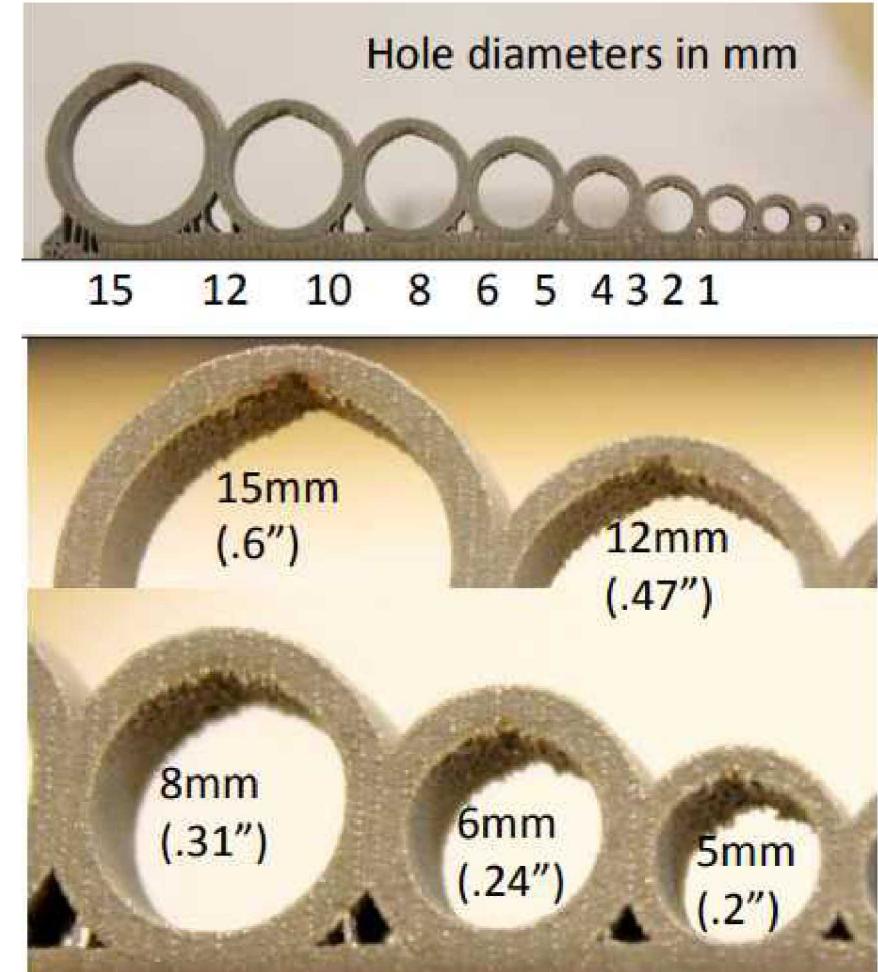
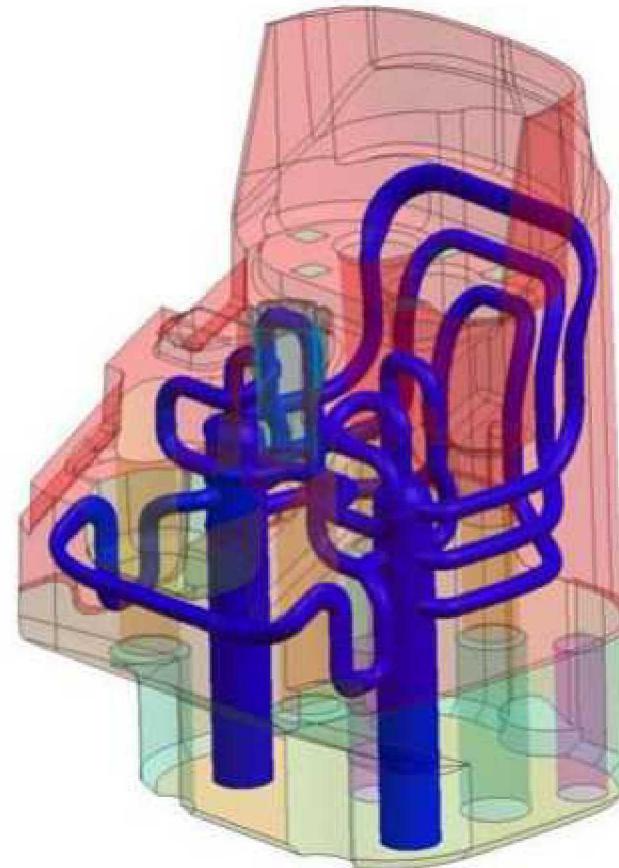
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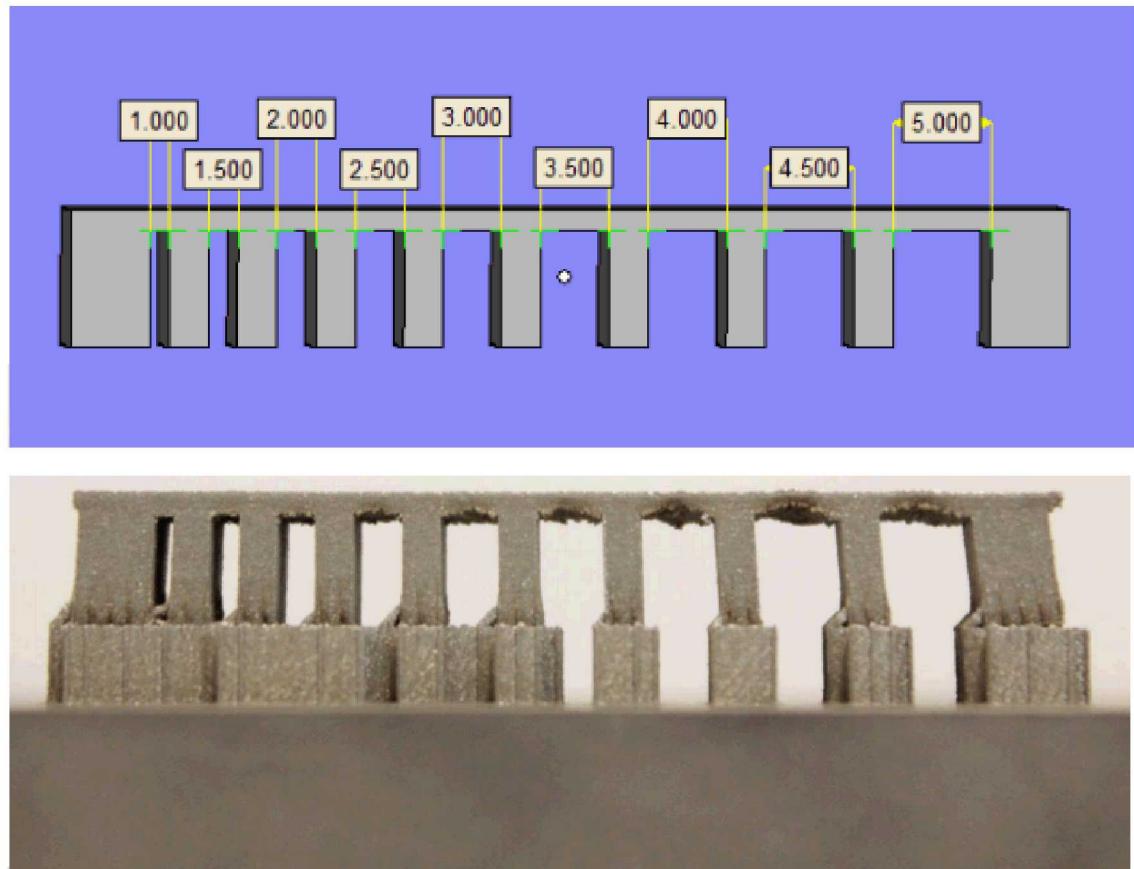
- Many print technologies cannot provide channels and holes
- If channels and holes can be printed, there is generally a limiting feature size that can be maintained
- Orientation of the hole matters
  - For example vertical holes are generally easy to produce while horizontal holes may be impossible to create
- For some print technologies paths to the surface must be maintained to enable removal of excess material/powder



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# Bridges

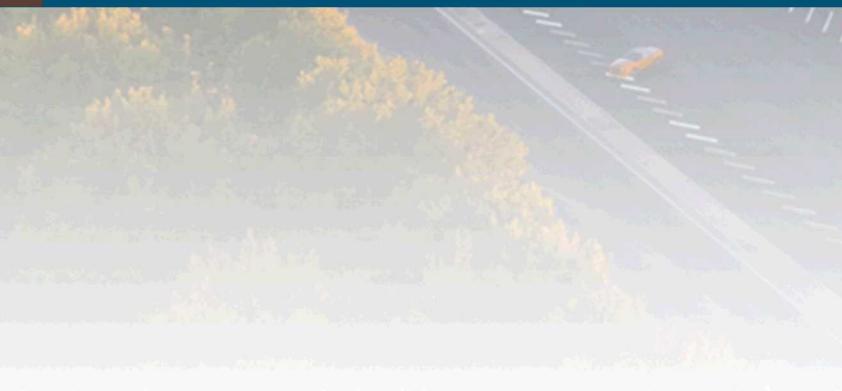
- Most print technologies can handle the creation of small bridges
- Once limits are met support material must be used to support the gap
- Bridges have an impact on surface roughness especially on the lower side of the bridge
- Designing the bridge pillars as self supporting angles instead of vertical walls can be helpful



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# Design of Example Part





What makes this part hard to print?

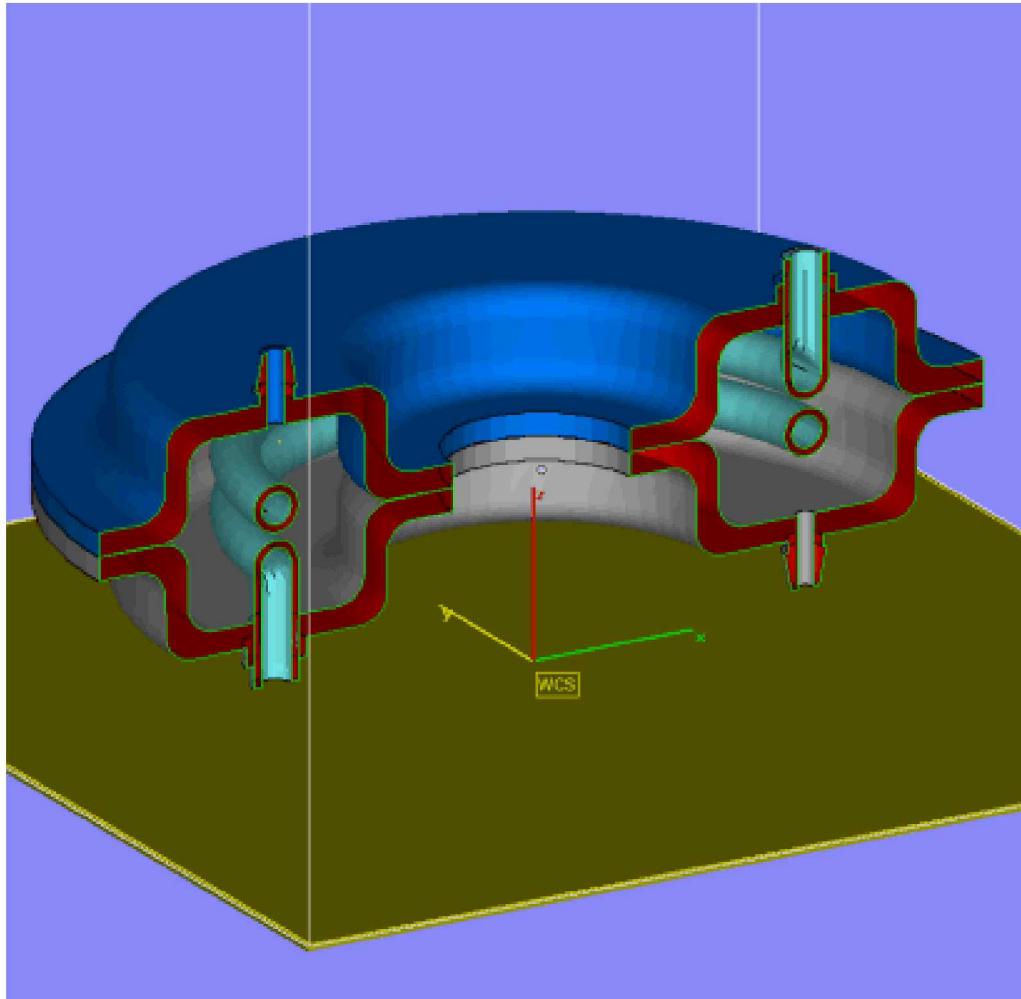


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- Not designed for additive manufacturing
- 3 component design
- All three components have overhangs or holes that cannot be printed without support
- Expensive (\$\$\$) to remove support material from internal holes and channels
- Poor surface finish
  - From support
  - From overhangs
- Not likely to hold high tolerances

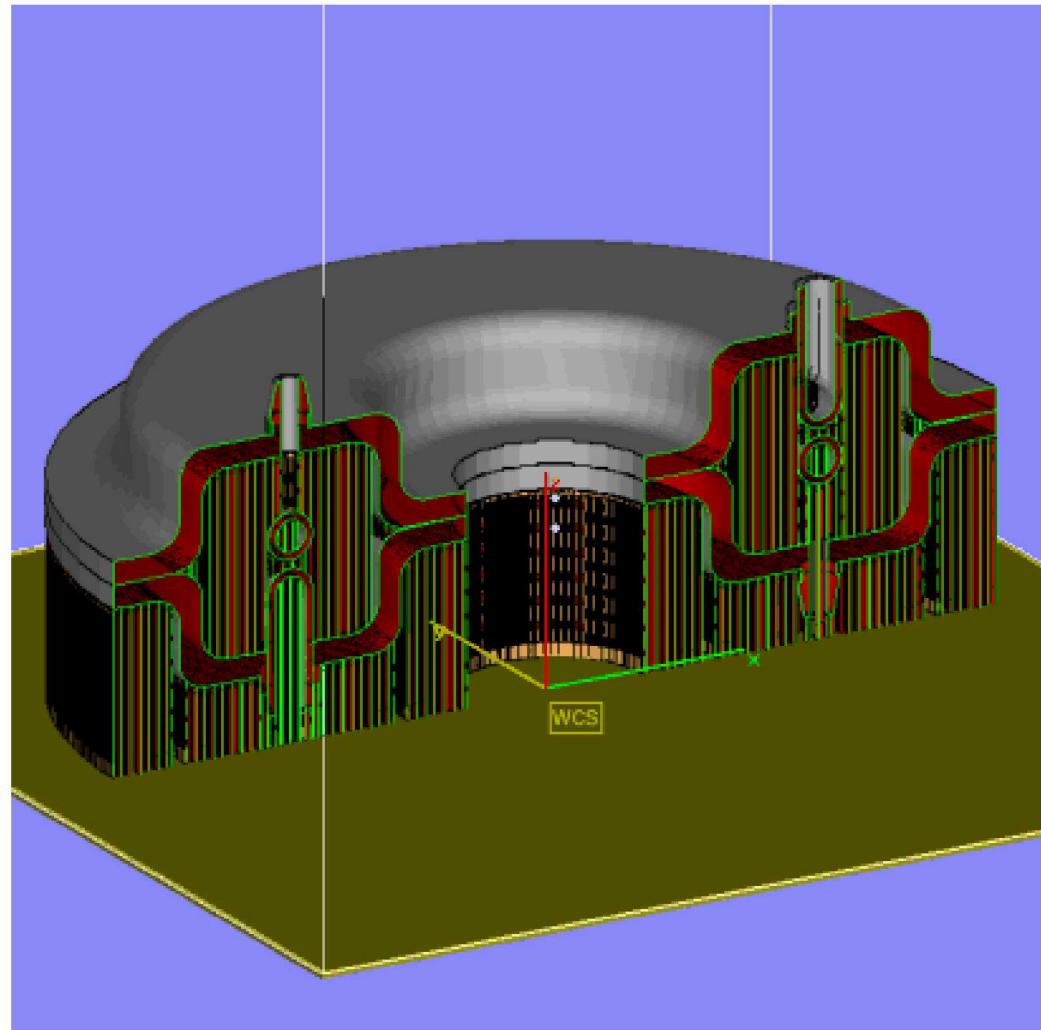


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## Improving the Design

Additive manufacturing can be used to reduce the number of components....

**What if it is not necessary to have 3 separate components?**

What is better  
about this design?

What makes this  
hard to print?

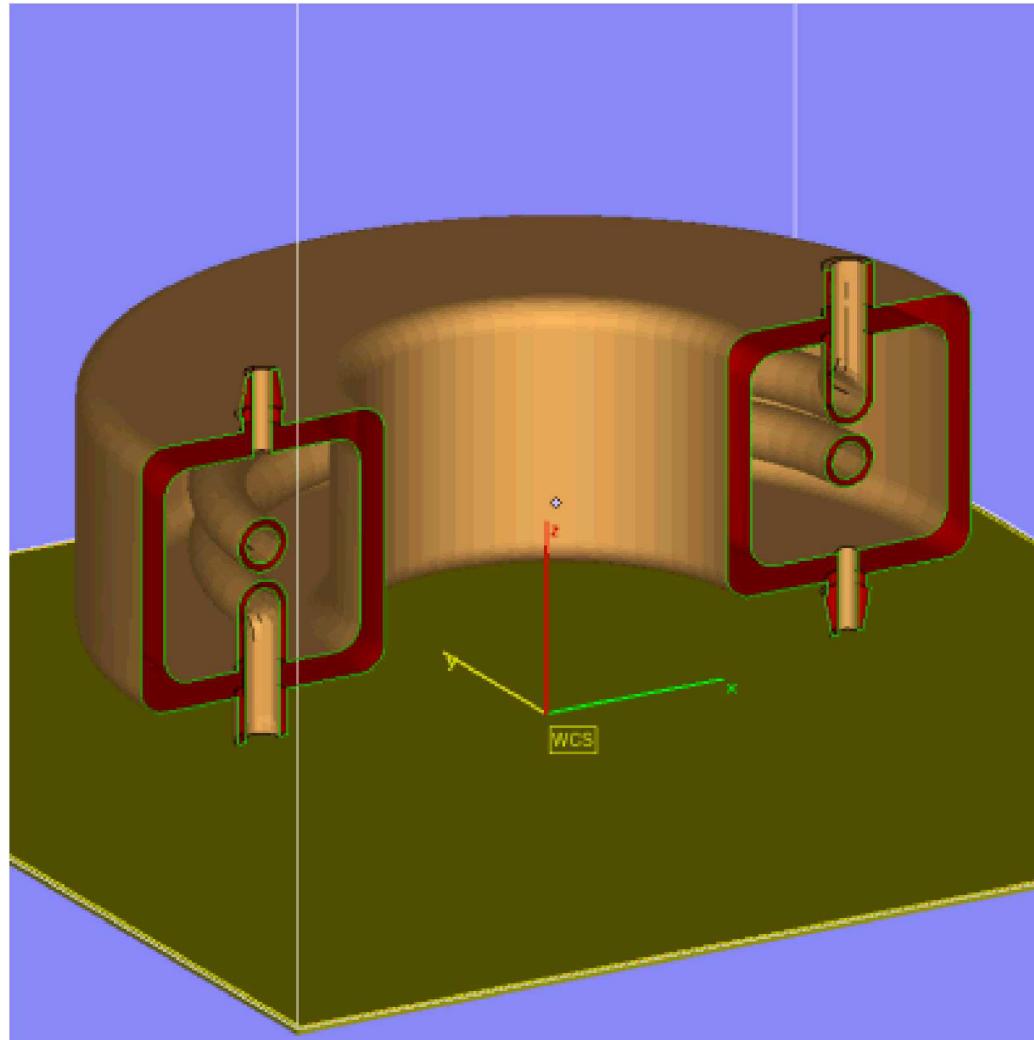


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- Improvements
  - Reduction of components
  - Reduction of print time
  - Reduction of weight
- Challenges
  - Not designed for additive manufacturing
  - All holes and channels have overhangs that cannot be printed without support
  - Expensive (\$\$\$) to remove support material from internal holes and channels
  - Poor surface finish
    - From supports
    - From overhangs
  - Not likely to hold high tolerances

Design is improved and cheaper to manufacture, but still has all the same challenges

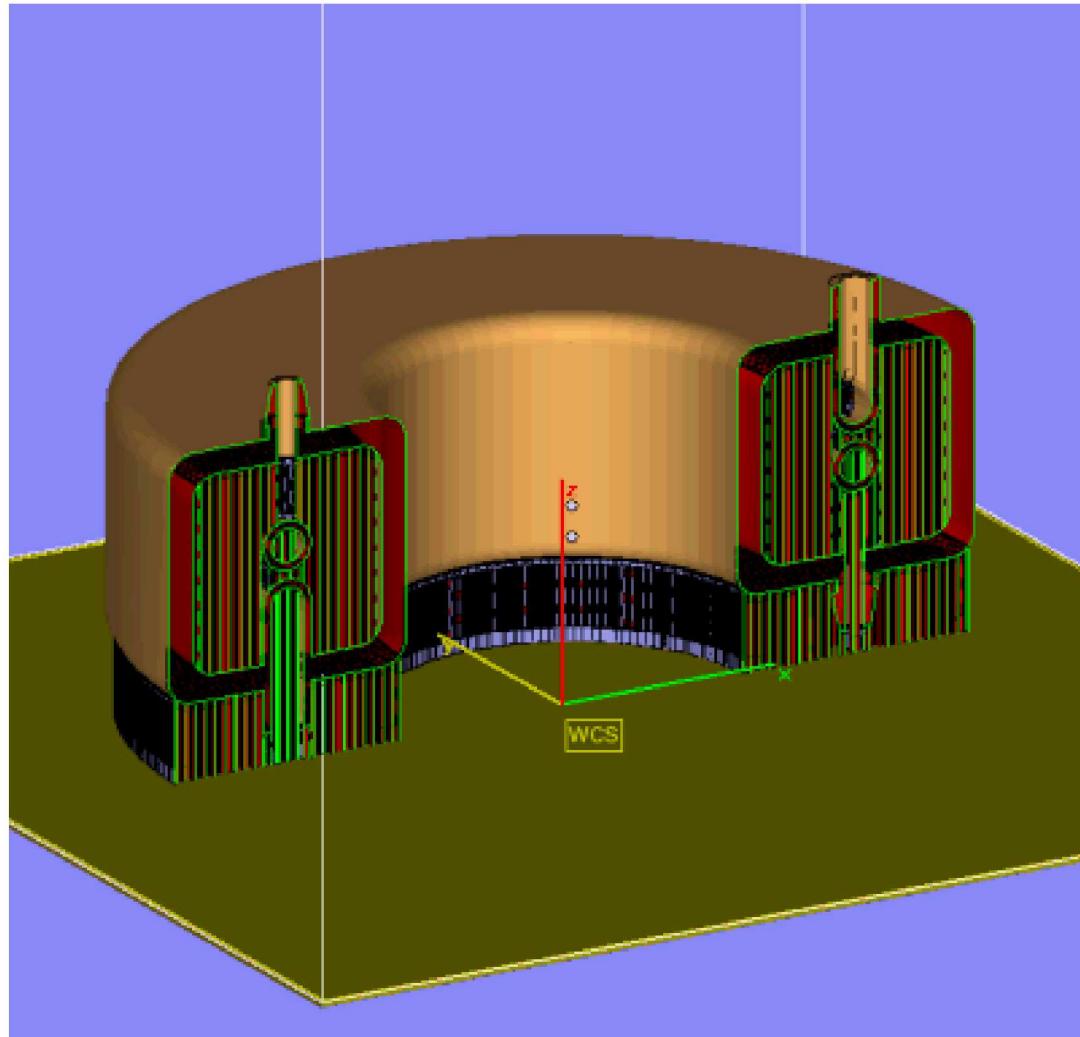


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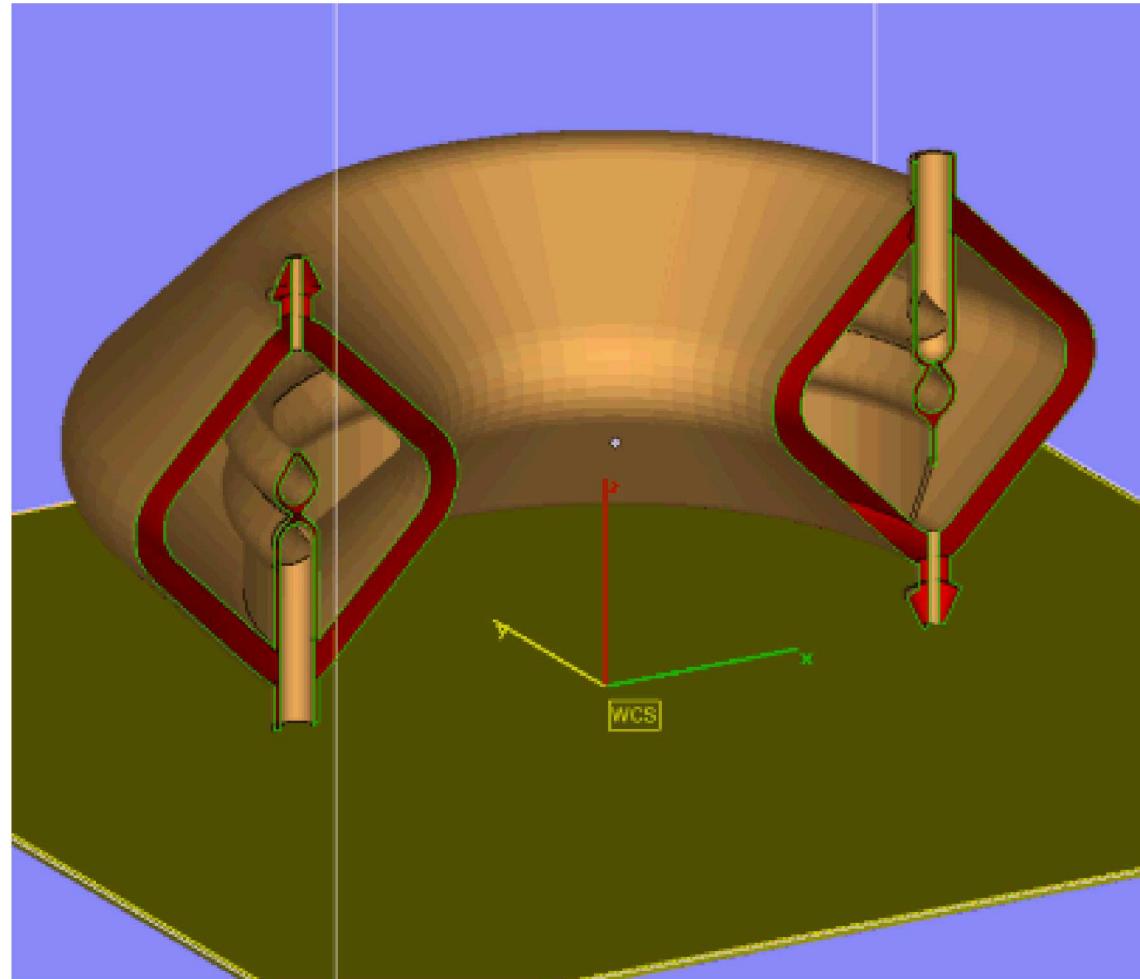


Additive manufacturing can be used to make shapes that cannot typically be easily manufactured....

**What if the case doesn't have to be square?**

**What if the tubes don't have to be round?**

What is better  
about this design?



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- Improvements
  - Self-supporting features eliminate need for most supports
  - Supports that are needed are a low cost (\$) to remove
  - Best surface finish of proposed designs
  - Likely to hold better tolerances

What could still be improved?

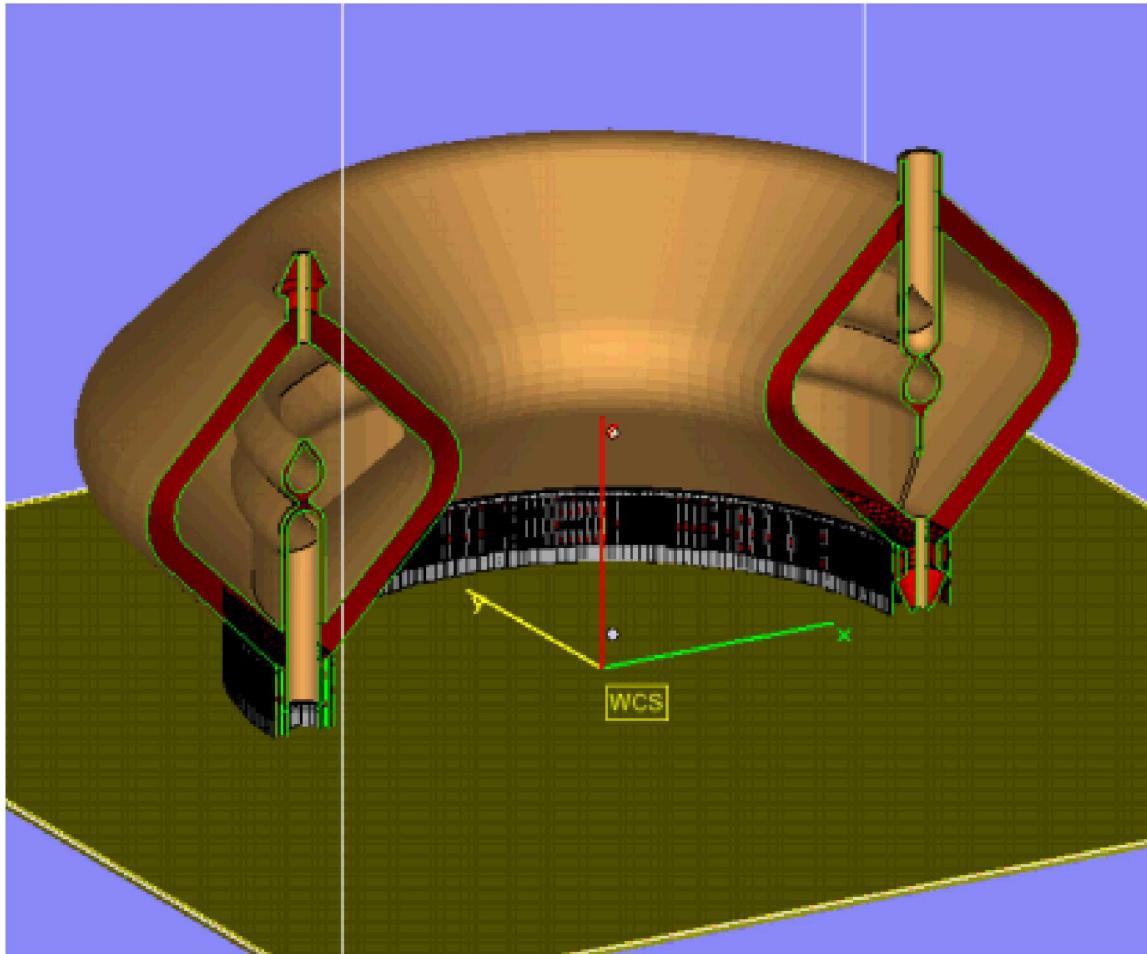


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## Conclusions

- Numerous printing technologies available for production
- Multi-Material, functional grading, hybrid additive-subtractive, and additive repair offer capability of expanding AM capabilities
- Knowledge of print capabilities offers designer opportunities to reduce time, reduce cost, and increase performance of parts

Questions?