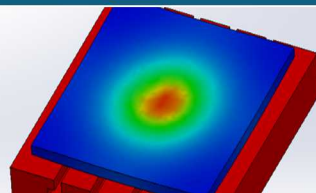
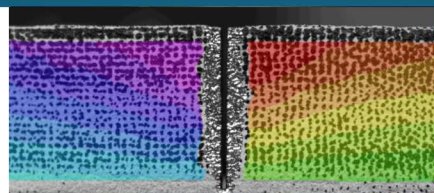


# Applications of Additive Manufacturing



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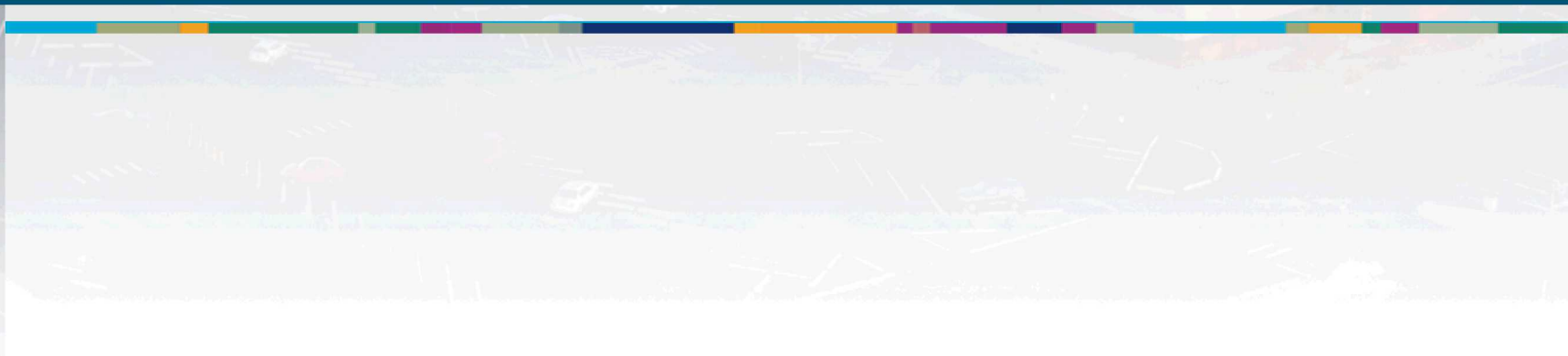
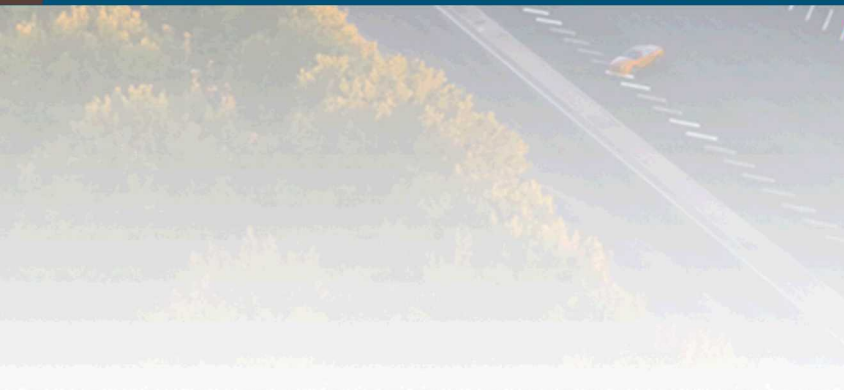


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# Additive Manufacturing at Sandia (More Than Just 3D Printing)



- There is much more to additive manufacturing than just printing parts
- What does the video show is involved in additive manufacturing research?
- What challenges are there?



Sandia Labs Additive Manufacturing Program

[https://youtu.be/YCEr3FzSr\\_M](https://youtu.be/YCEr3FzSr_M)



- Rapid heating and cooling during print causes residual stress buildup
- Stress buildup causes distortion, warping, and even cracking of printed part
- Problematic when higher tolerances or repair jobs are desired
- Stress often manifests itself in substrate deformation

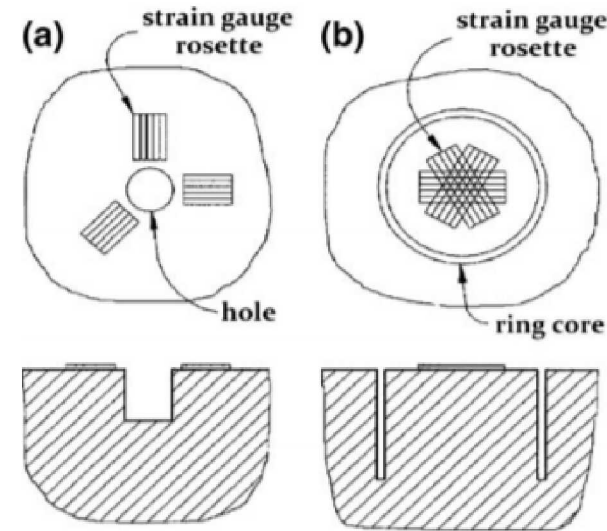


## Non destructive

- Neutron Diffraction and X-ray Diffraction
- Sensitive to different materials and geometry

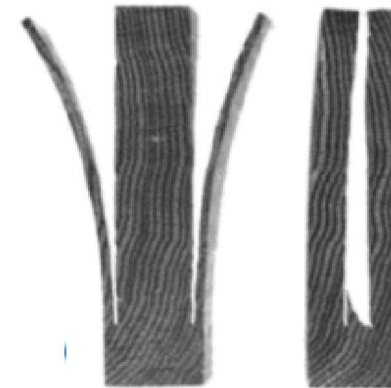
## Destructive/Relaxation

- Use fundamental quantities such as displacements or strain
- Calculations can be made to solve for residual stress
- Remove a section of specimen, then measure displacement



(a) Hole drilling method [1]

(b) Ring core method [1]

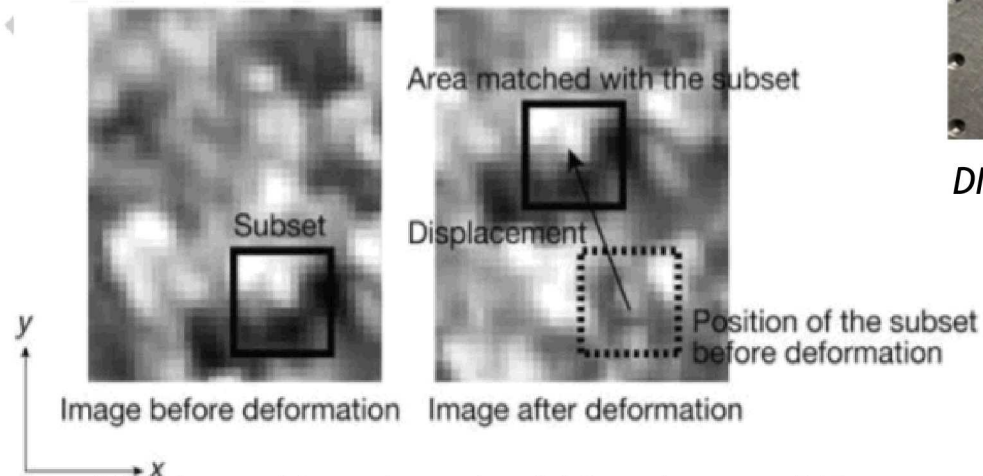


Slitting Method [1]

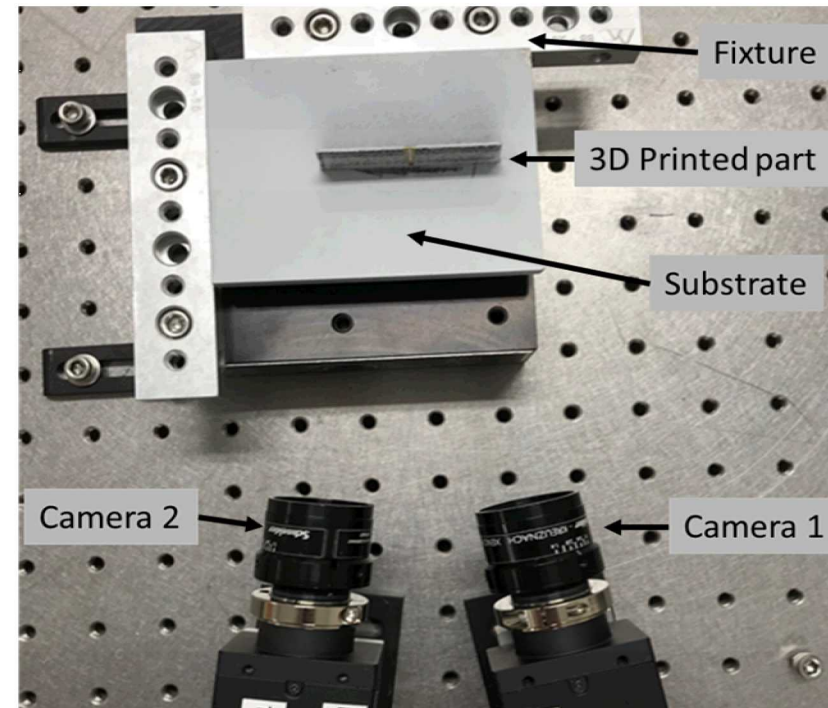
[1] Schajer,  
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Relaxation  
Methods for  
Measuring  
Residual  
Stresses:  
Techniques and  
Opportunities

## Digital Image Correlation (DIC)

- Uses photos of part from before and after material removal to measure distortion
- Non contact measurement
- Macro or micro scale



*Pixel tracking done by DIC software [1]*

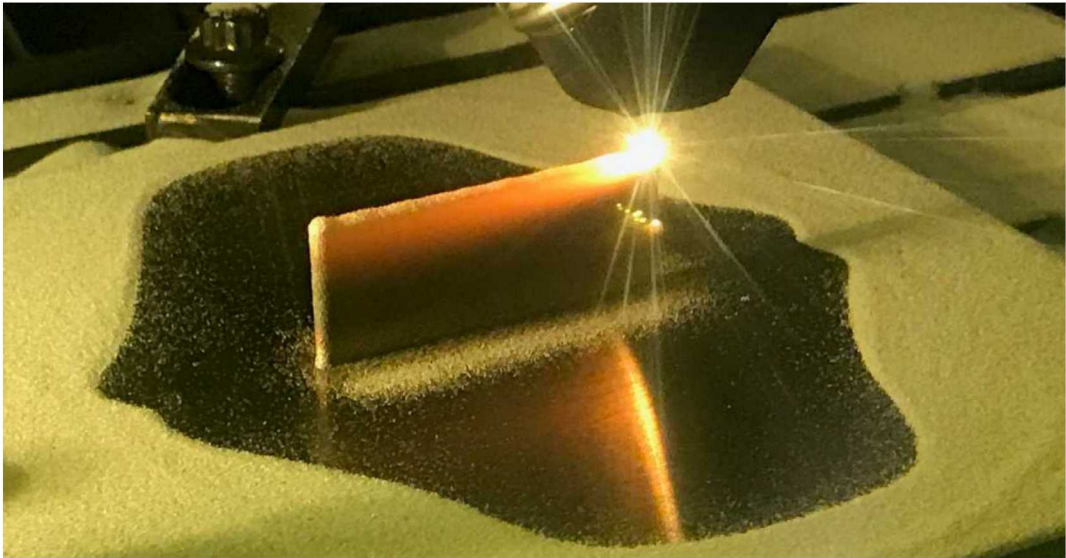


*DIC setup for measuring stress relaxation*

Cameras- 12MP Point Grey Grasshoppers.  
Lenses- Schneider 17mm.



- 4 substrate clamps, one in each corner of the substrate
- 3 samples printed at each bed temperature of 50°C, 150°C, 250°C, 350°C, and 450°C
- Printed a 2.0'' x 0.04'' x 1.0'' thin wall
- Should have generalized stress methods results

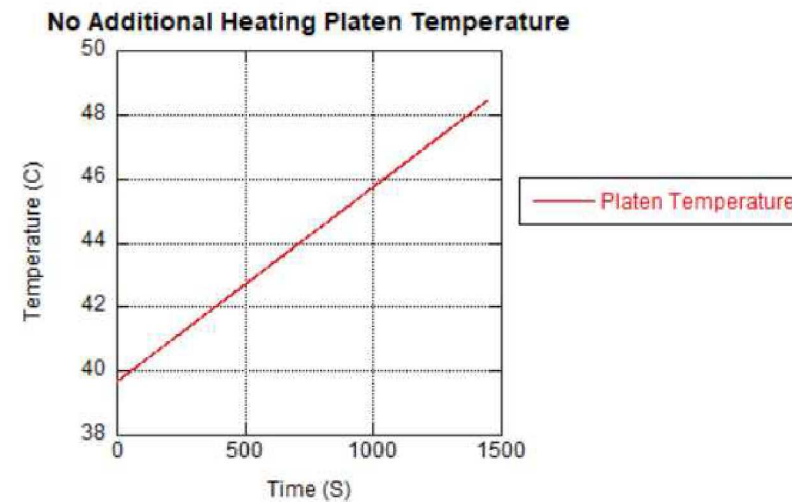
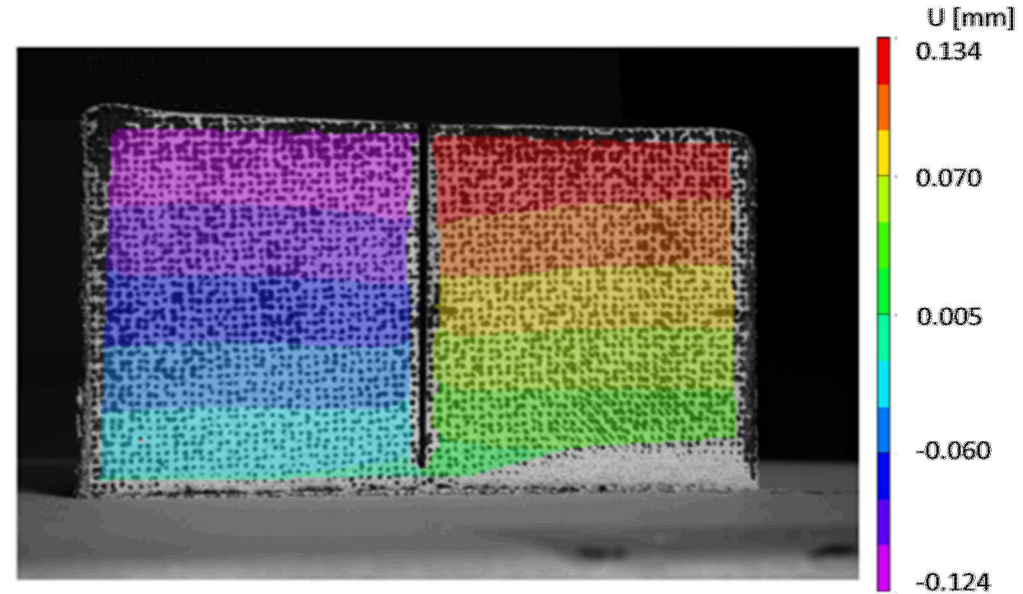


Process Parameters

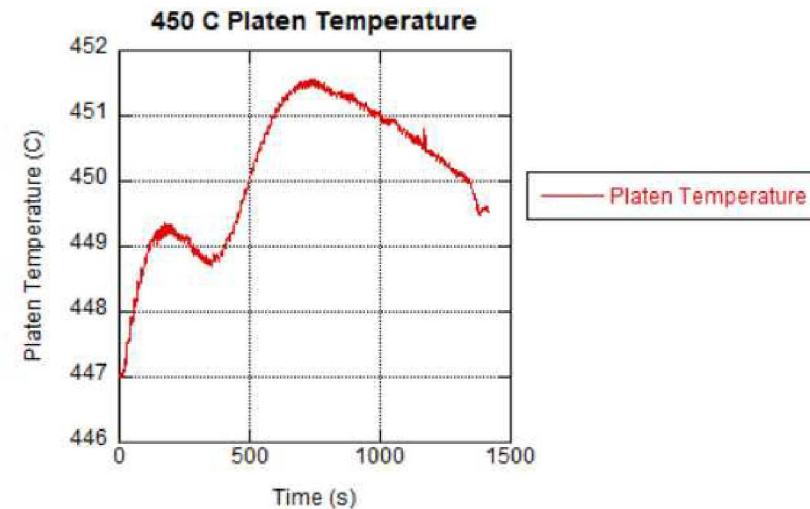
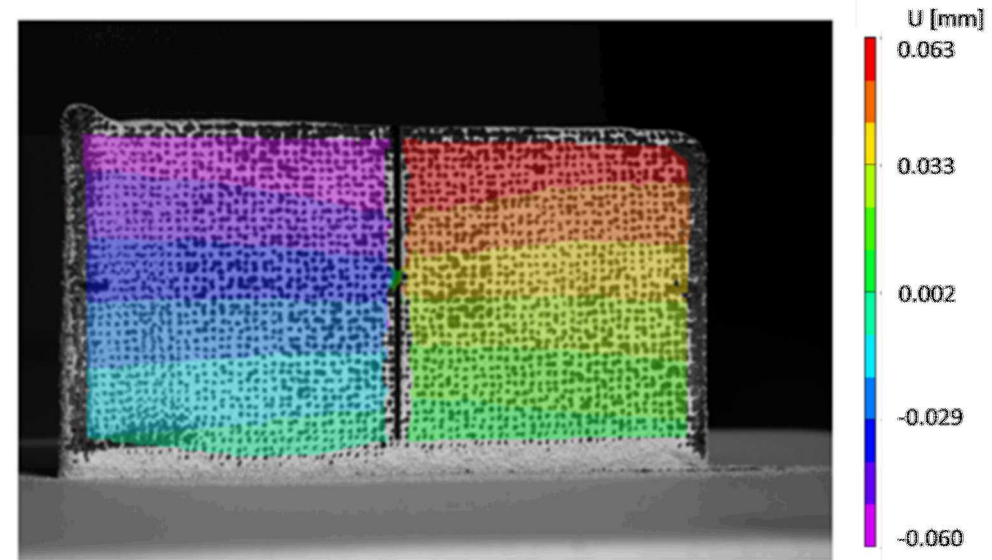
Laser Power	400[W]
Powder Feedrate	6.5 [g/min]
Layer Thickness	0.25 [mm]
Hatch Spacing	N/A
Parameter Deposition Speed	400 [mm/min]
Infill Deposition Speed	N/A



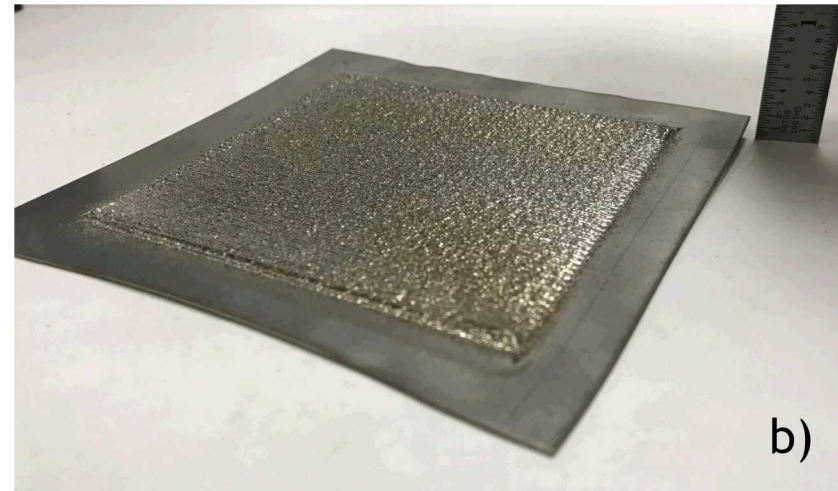
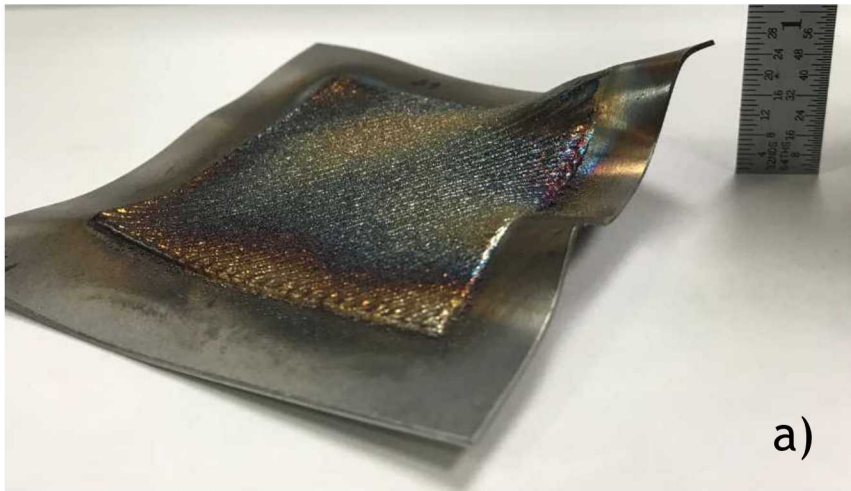
- Platen temperature of  $>50^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Maximum deformation of 0.134 mm
- Deformation is in expected direction
- Increasing substrate temperature due to laser source



- Platen temperature of 450°C
- Maximum deformation of 0.063 mm (Less than half of no heat added sample)
- Deformation is in expected direction
- $0.063 \text{ mm} < 0.134 \text{ mm}$  which suggests significant stress reduction



- Heating the platen reduces stress by minimizing thermal gradient and reducing cooling rate of melt pool
- Improved results shown by printing pad on 0.030" shim stock



*Printing of 3 layer pad on 0.030" shim stock a) No added platen heat. b) Platen temperature of 450°C.*





# Modeling of Additive Manufacturing

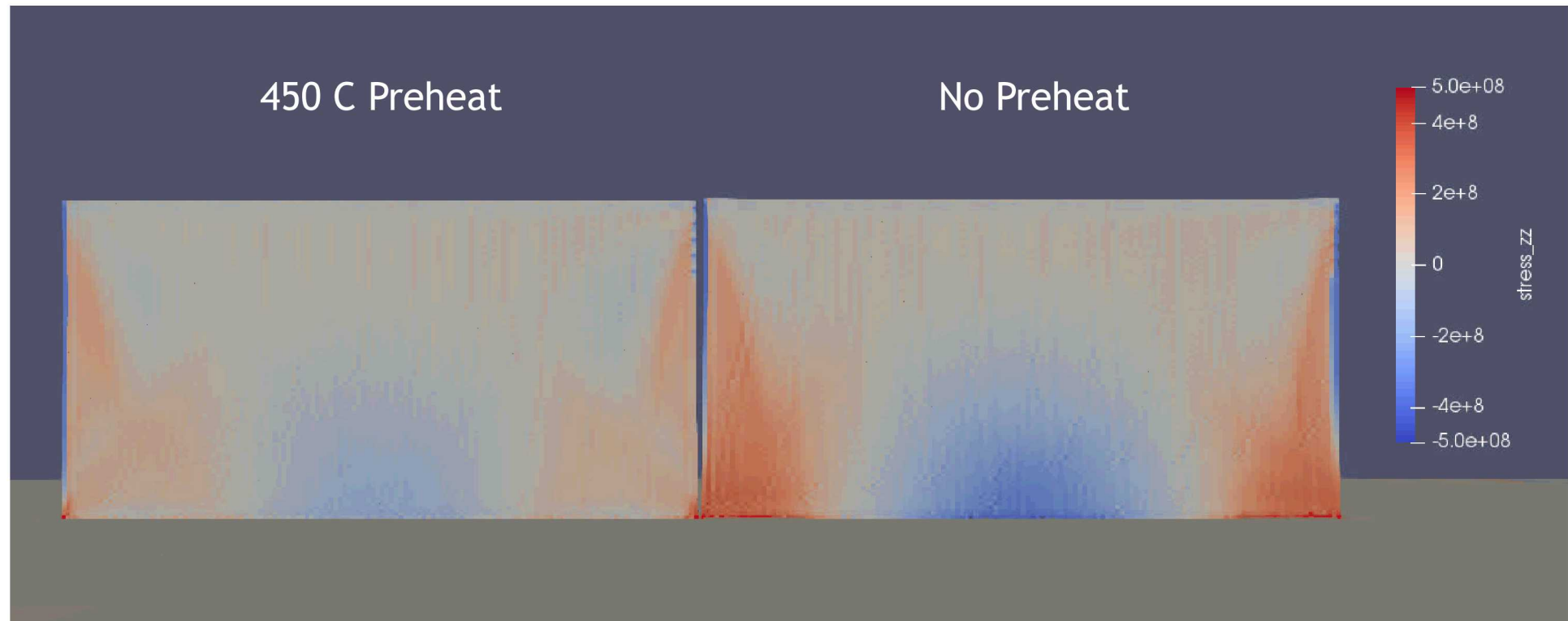


## Ongoing Work – Baseplate Preheat Studies

- Models part being printed
- Shows how stress is developed in the part
- Shows clamps being released in the printer
- Future work still needs to show the slit being cut into the part

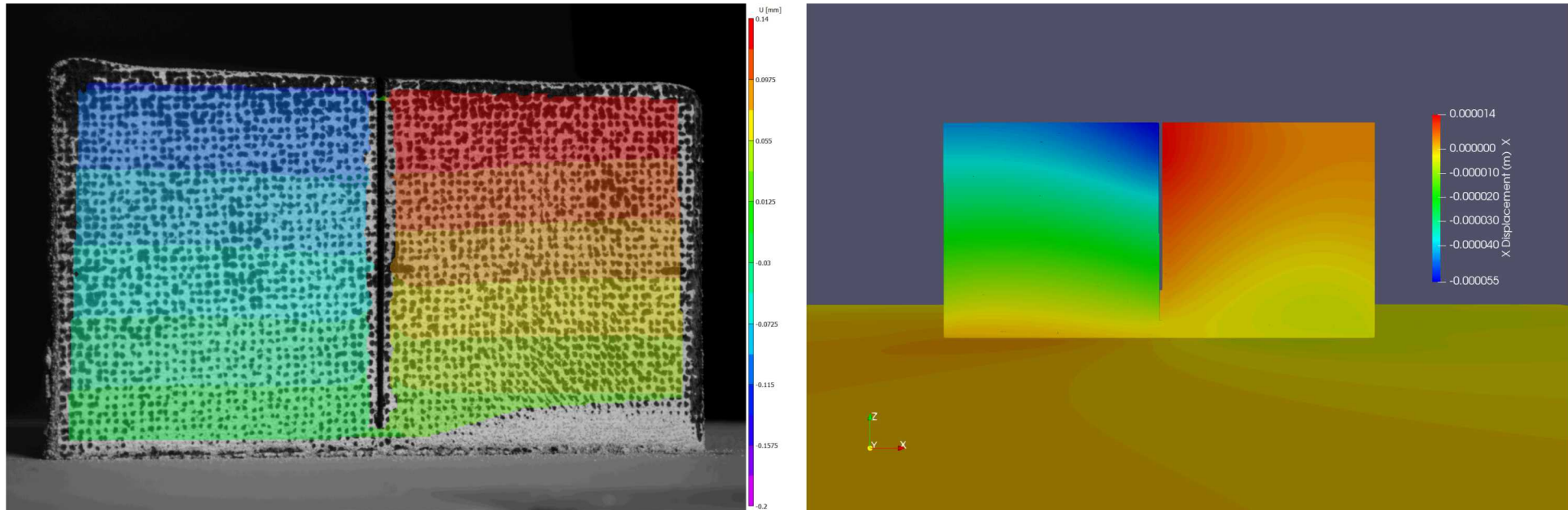


Temperature of print bed and residual stress accumulation

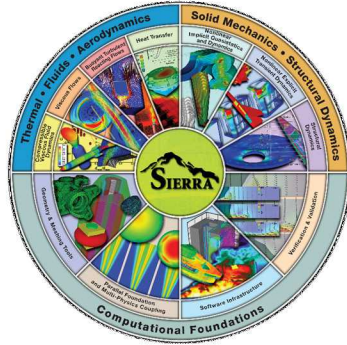




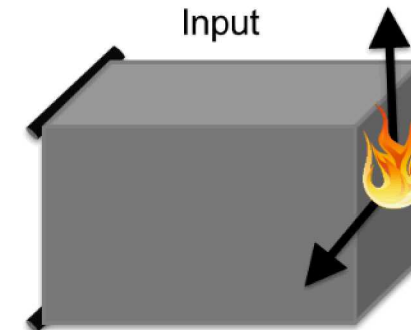
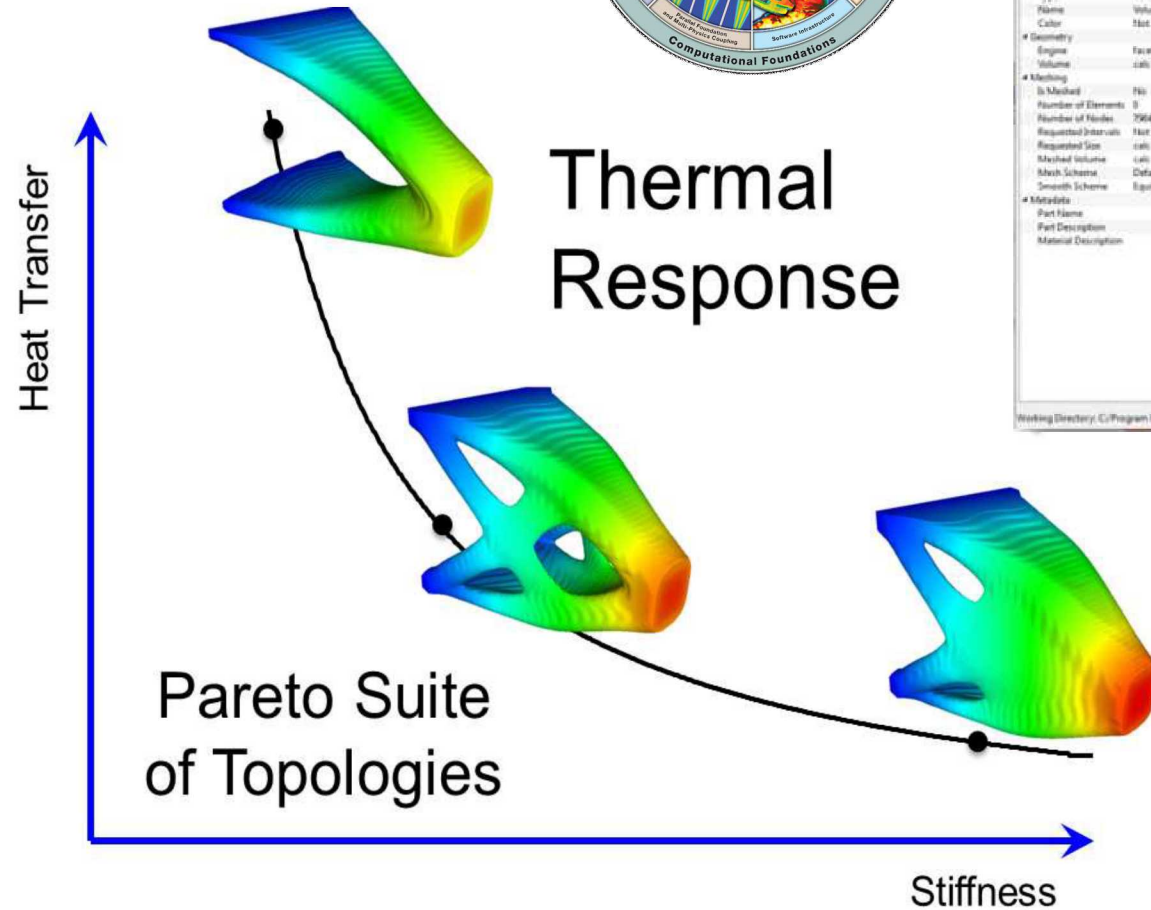
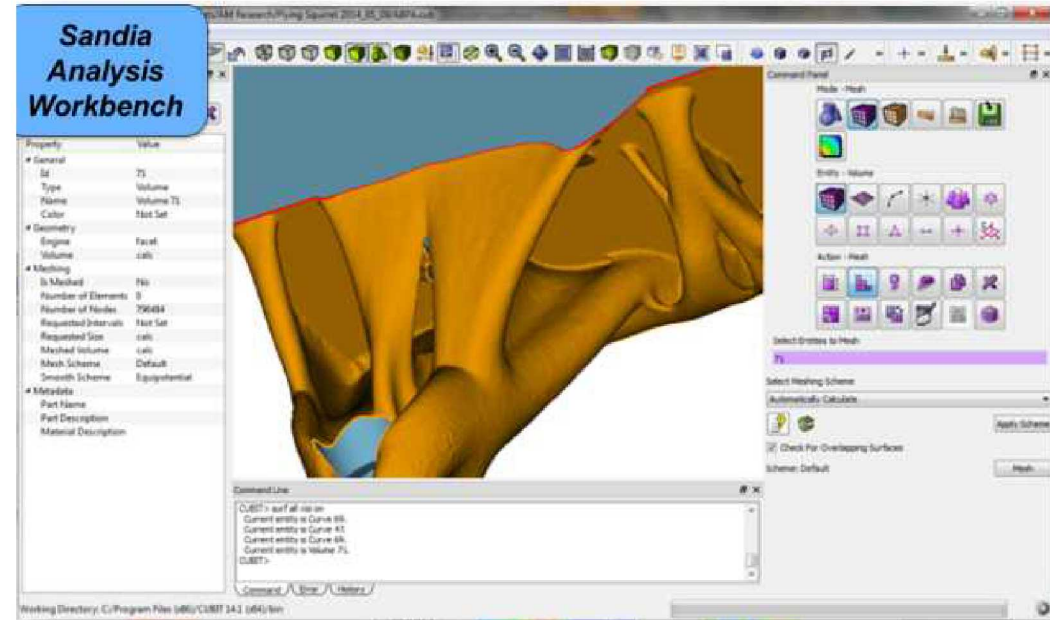
Model and experimental result are similar



\*Cut path needs to be adjusted

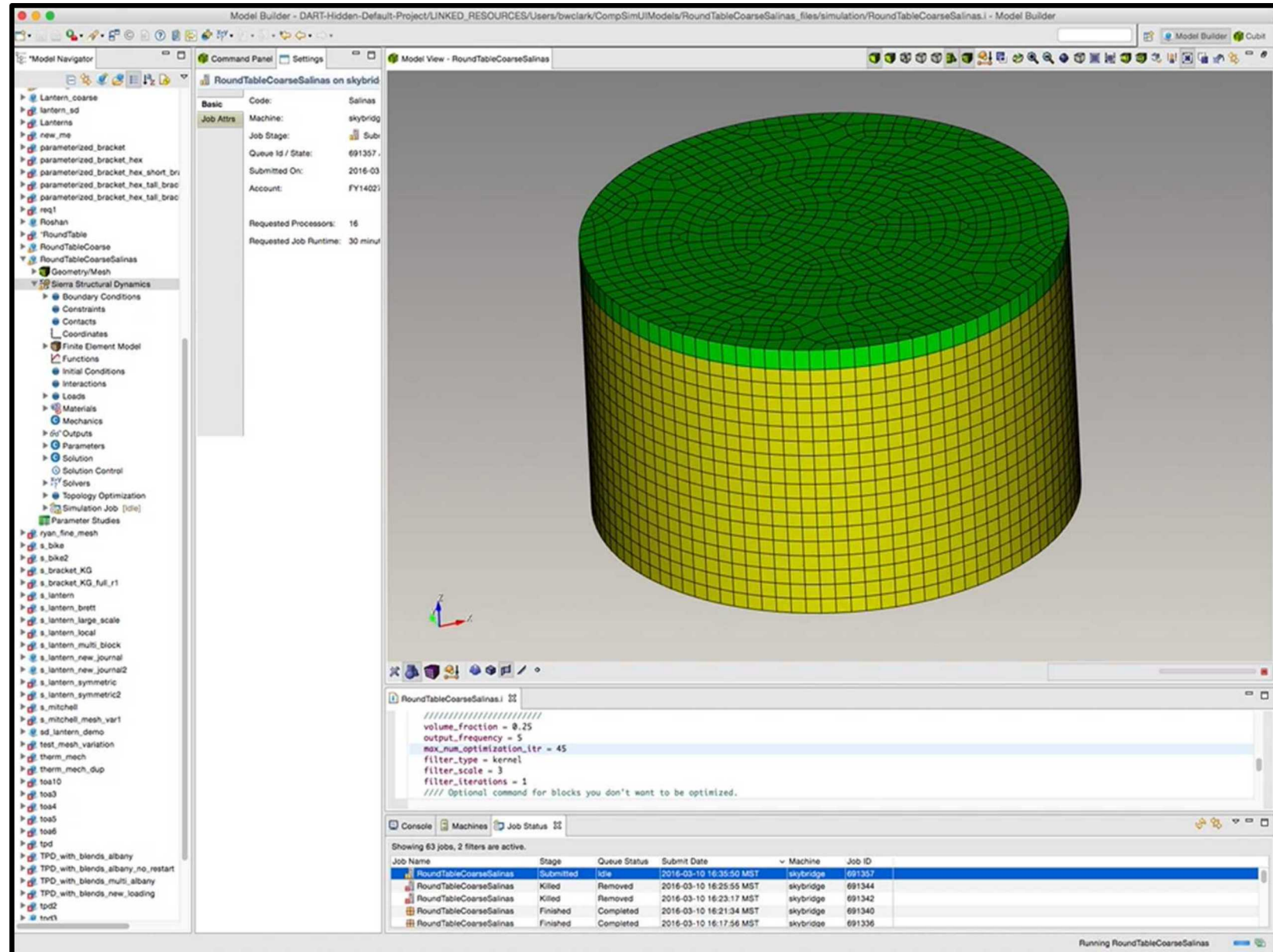


## User Friendly Interface



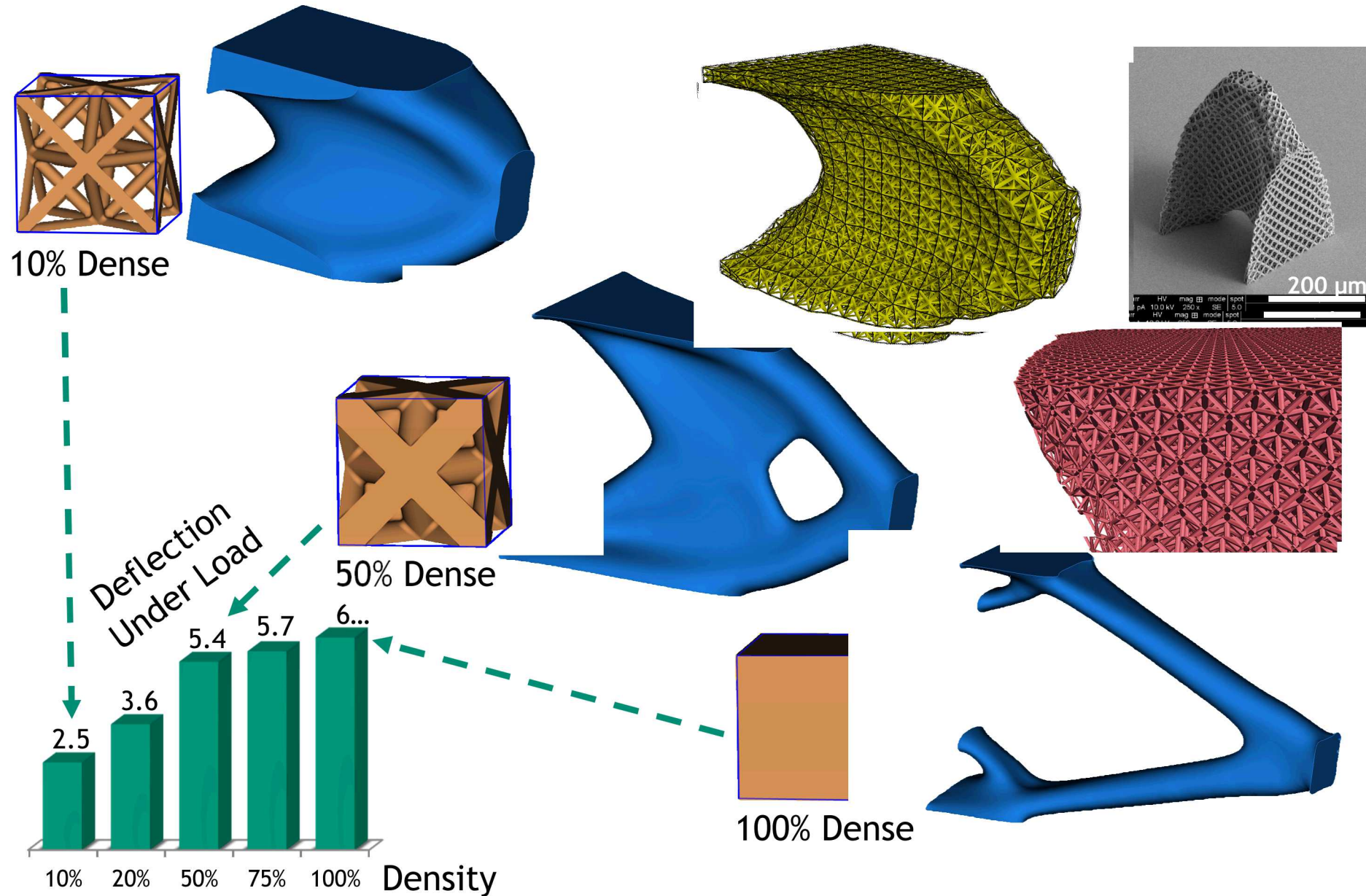
# 17 Topology Optimization

- Start off entering volume and shape constraints
- Enter thermal or mechanical loads
- Run optimizer to find optimal shape for a given application
- Parts can be optimized for thermal, mechanical, stiffness, etc.



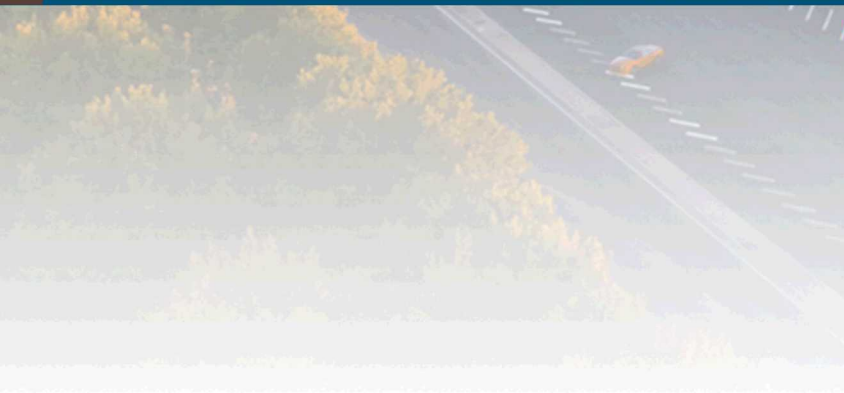


# Optimizing Stiffness at a Fixed Mass

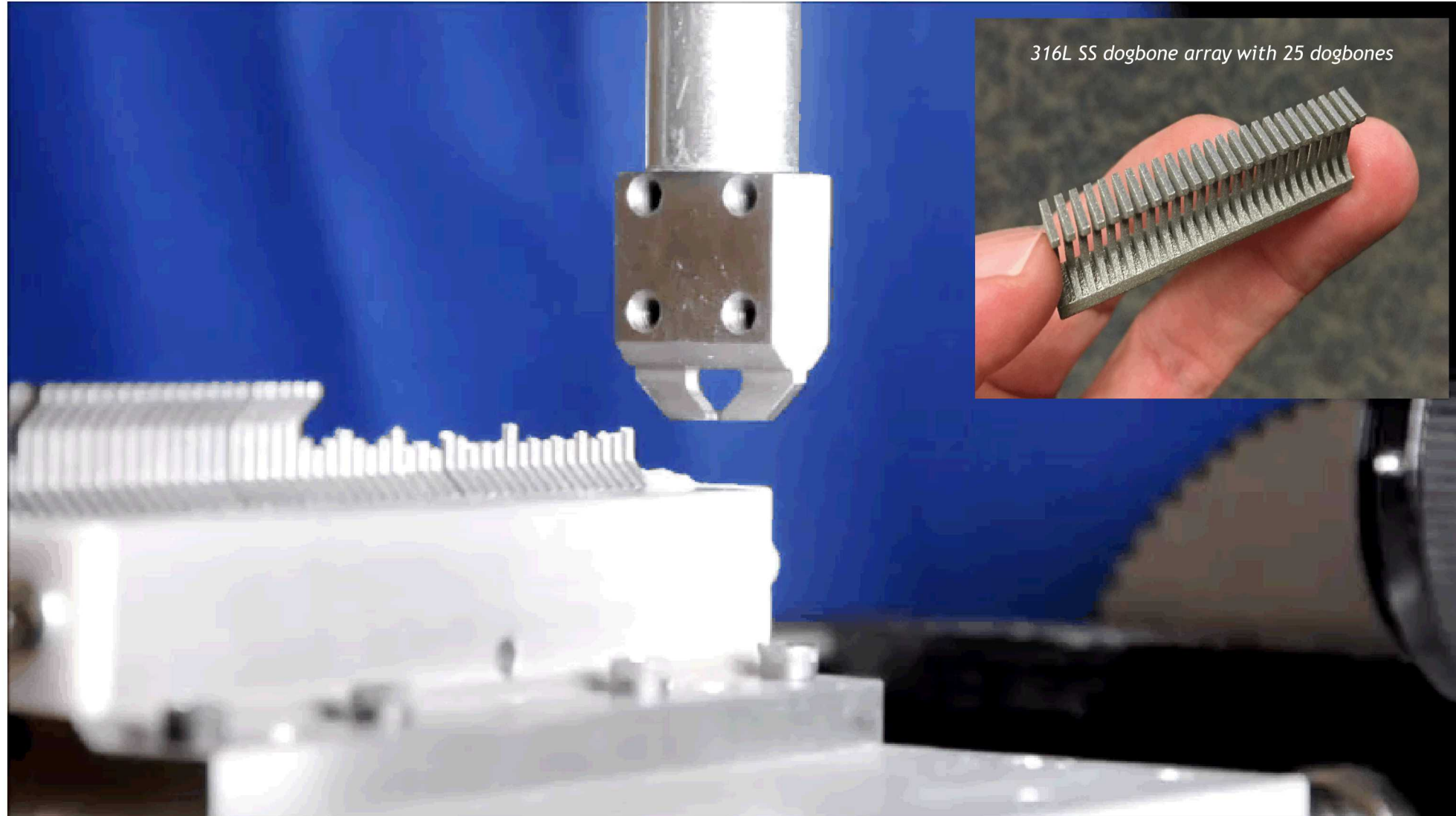




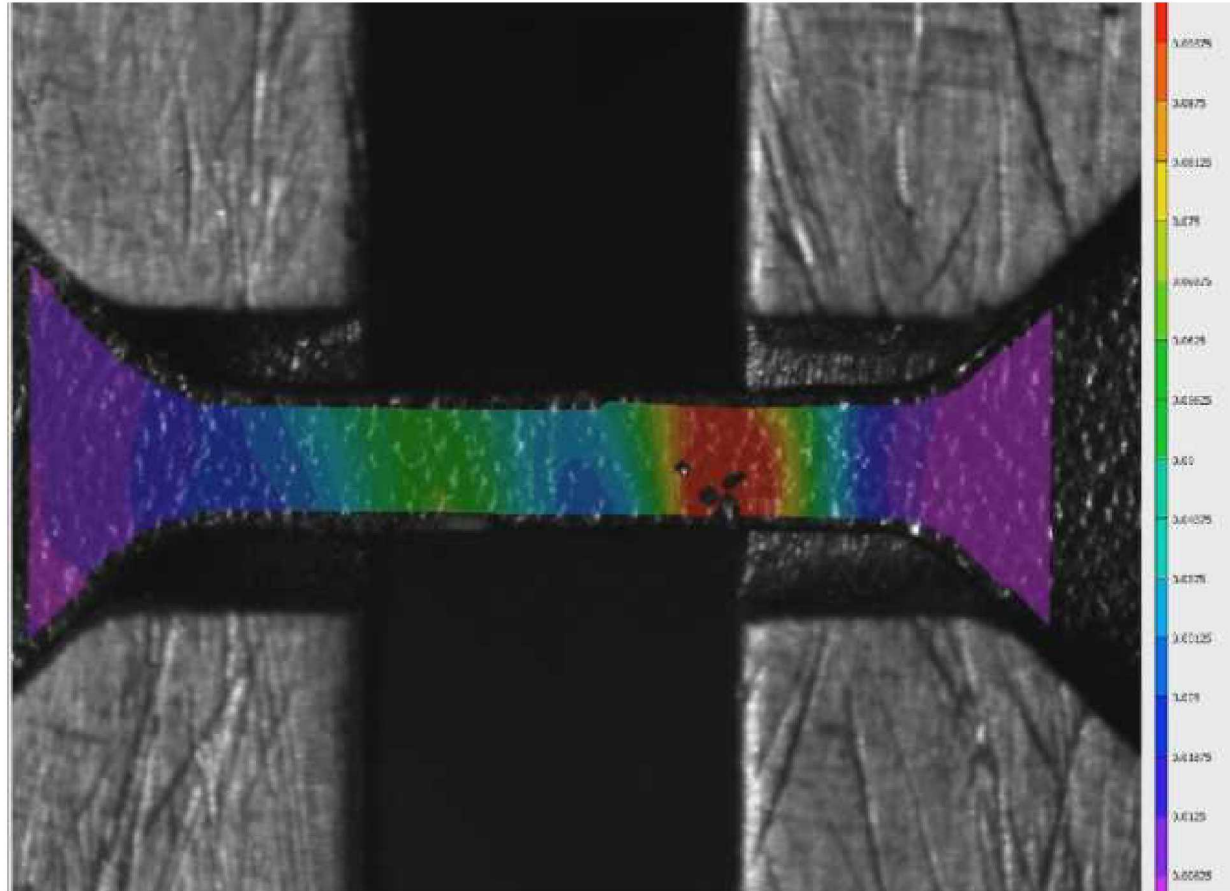
# Characterization of AM Parts



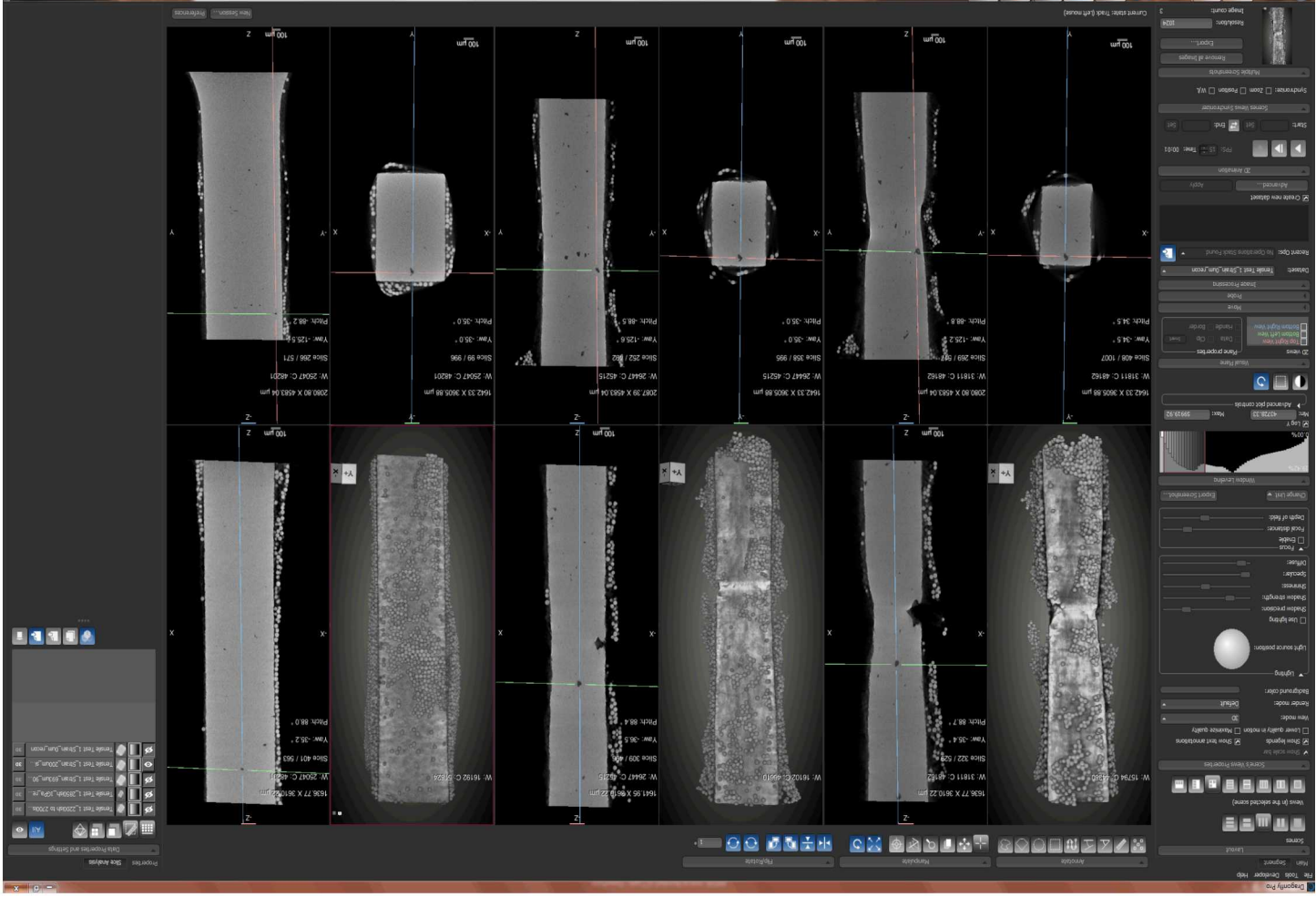
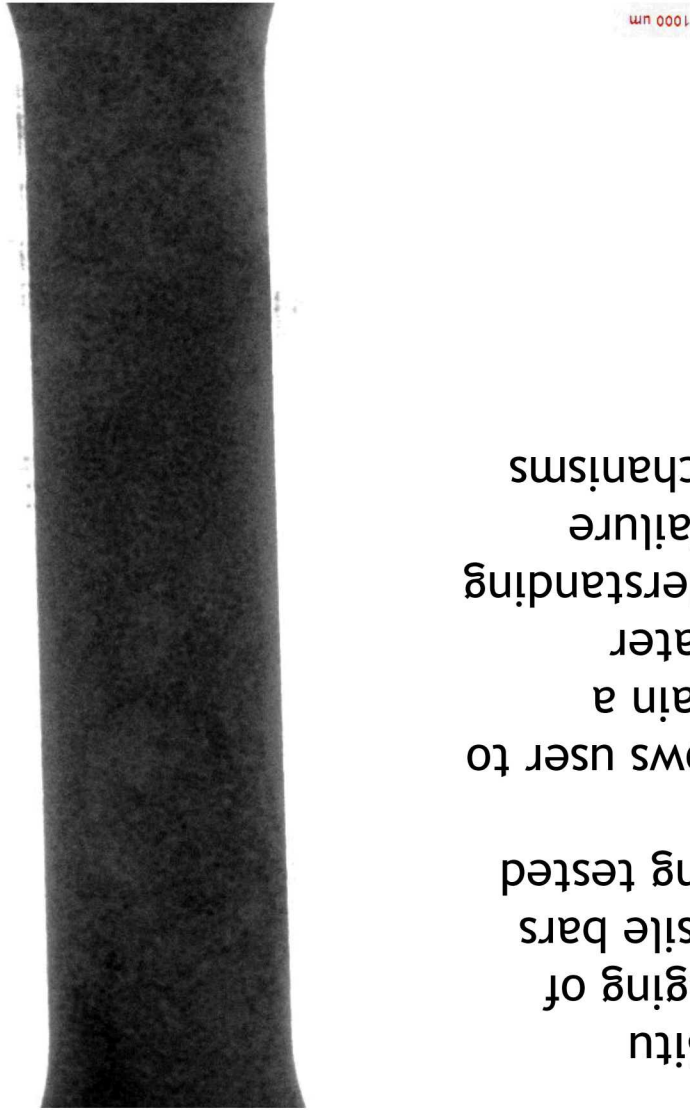




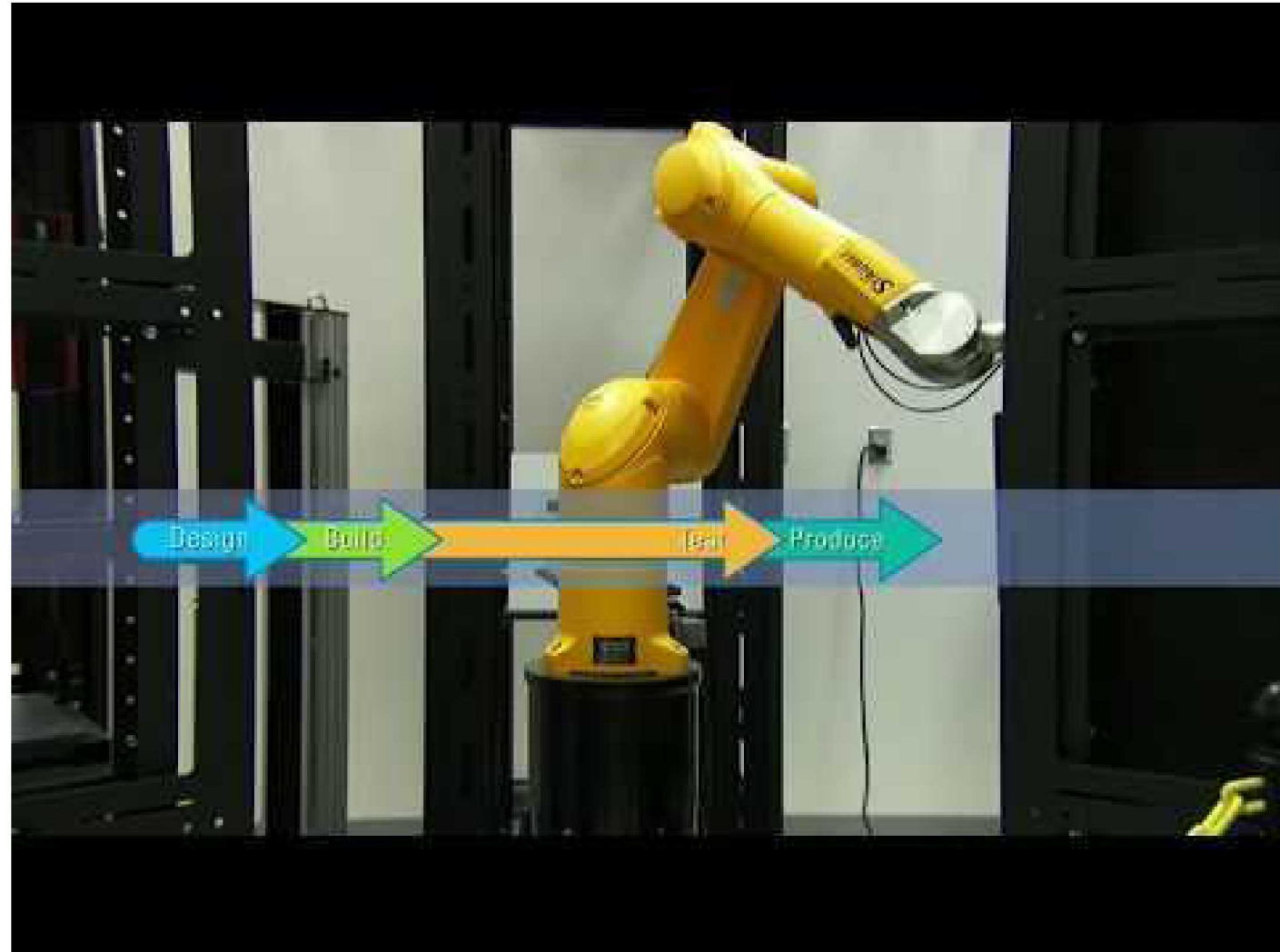




- In-Situ imaging of tensile bars being tested
- Allows user to obtain a greater understanding of failure mechanisms



- Automated testing
- Can be expanded or adapted for various applications and manufacturing needs
- Takes expertise or legacy knowledge out of the testing equation



Alinstantiate: A Robotic Workcell for High Throughput Automation

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# Unique applications of Additive Manufacturing







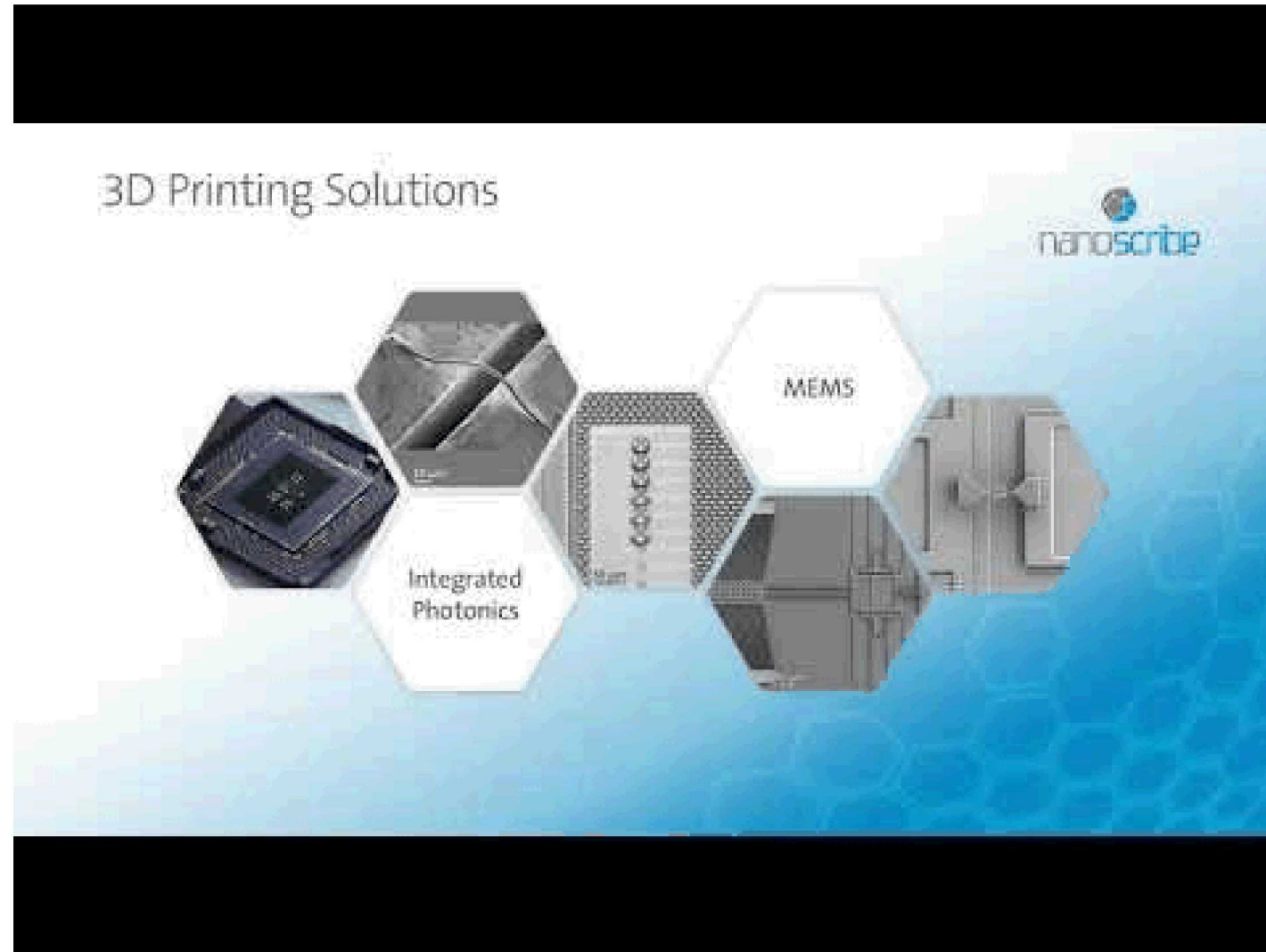
BAAM (Big Area Additive Manufacturing) Overview

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Submicron Additive Manufacturing: Integrated Systems

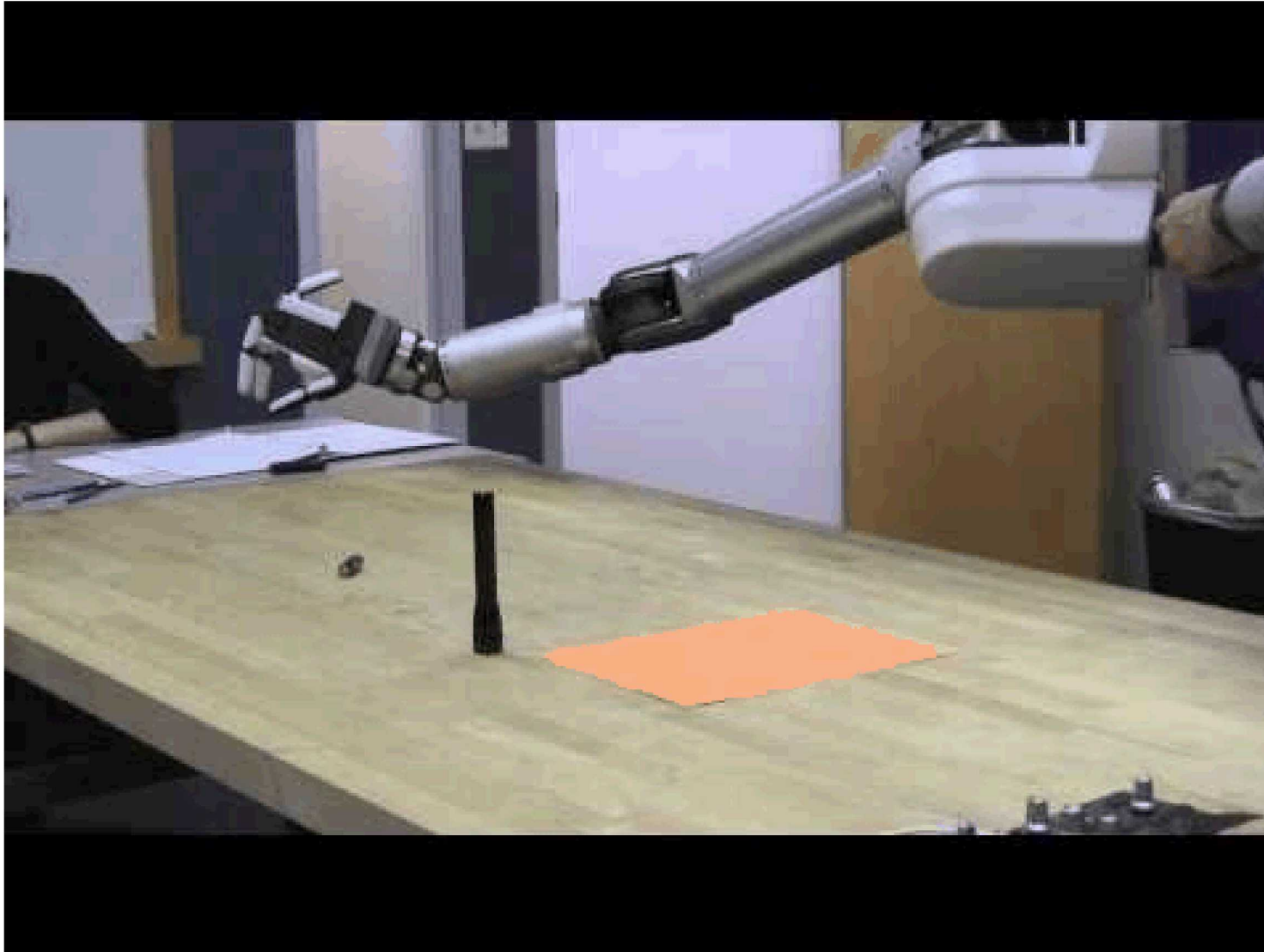
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