

Thinking Beyond Today: Comprehending the Potential of Additive Manufacturing Processes, Materials and Properties

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Lead: Metal AM

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We are focusing ORNL resources to support manufacturing initiative

- **Manufacturing and materials R&D to:**
 - Reduce the energy intensity of U.S. industry
 - Support development of new products
 - Strengthen our nation's competitiveness and economic vitality
- **Leveraging ORNL's distinctive core capabilities**
 - Advanced materials
 - Advanced characterization
 - Neutron scattering
 - High-performance computing



Manufacturing Demonstration Facility (MDF): a multidisciplinary DOE-funded facility dedicated to enabling demonstration of next-generation materials and manufacturing technologies for advancing the US industrial economy

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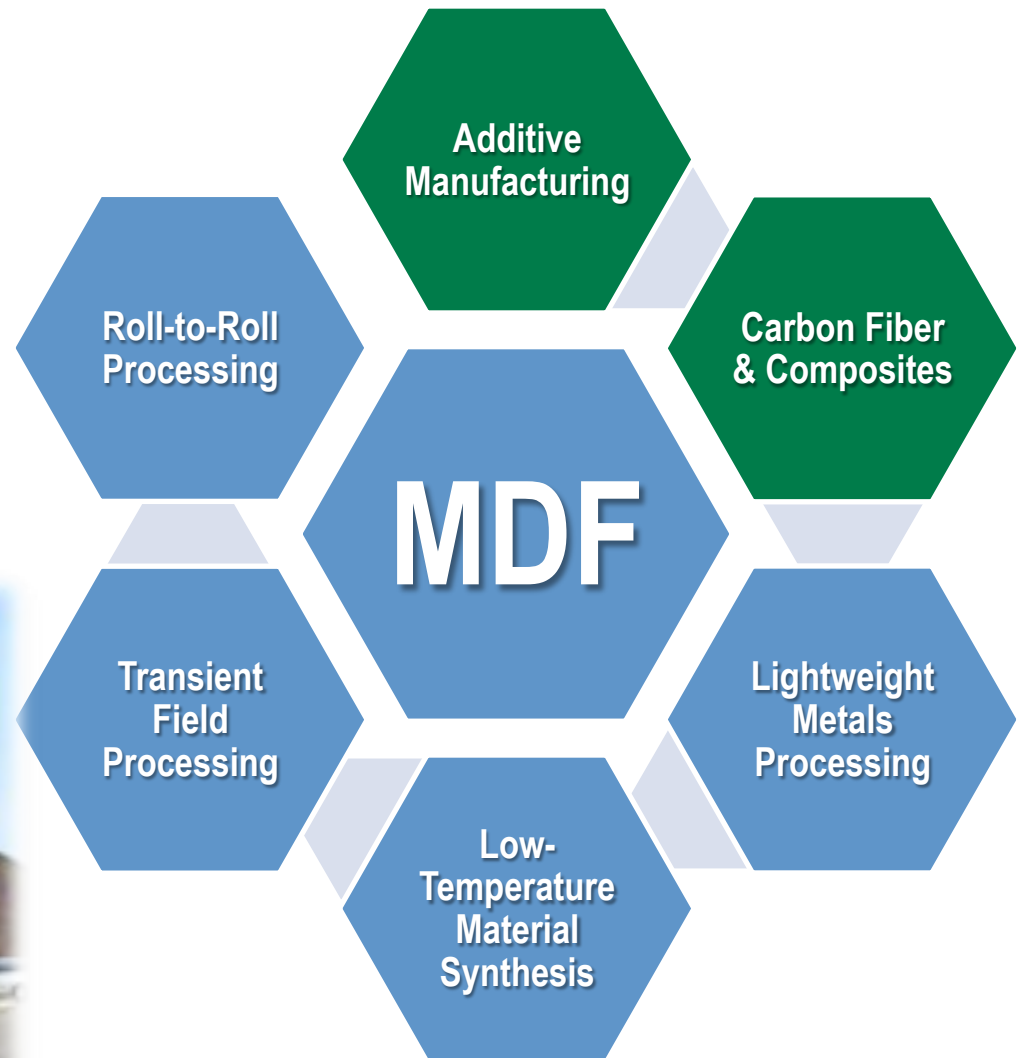
ORNL's MDF is primarily focused in two key areas— *additive manufacturing and carbon fiber & composites*

Several ancillary technical areas have been incorporated in the MDF as appropriate to the overall mission of the program



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MDF Focus Efforts in AM:



Leveraging key resources at ORNL to accelerate technology implementation

- **Developing advanced materials**
 - Titanium alloys, Ni superalloys, stainless and ultra high-strength steels
 - High-strength, carbon-reinforced polymers
- **Implementing advanced controls**
 - In-situ feedback and control for rapid certification and quality control
- **Exploring next-generation systems to overcome technology barriers for manufacturing**
 - Bigger, Faster, Cheaper
 - Integrating materials, equipment and component suppliers with end users to develop and evolve the supply chain

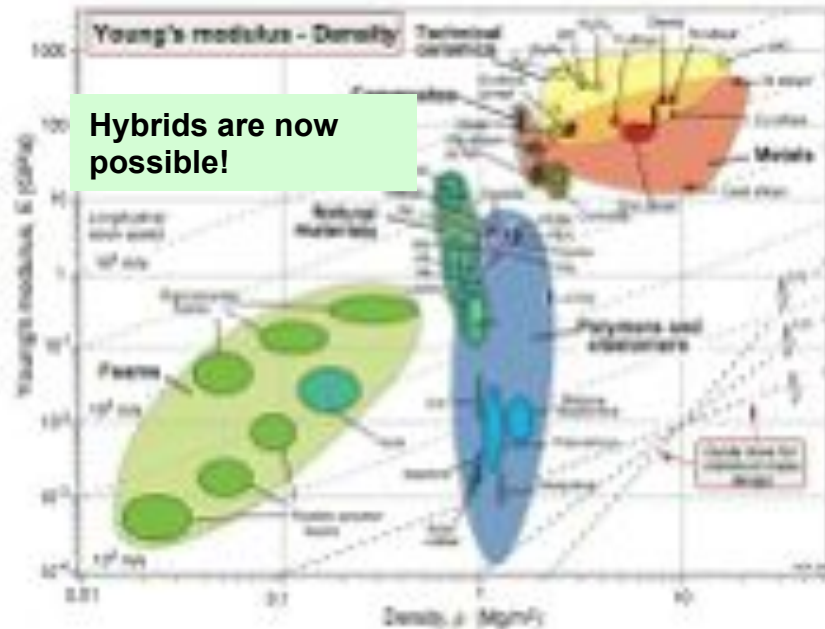
Additive Manufacturing Processes

Process	Applications		
	Polymers	Metals	Other
Binder Jetting	✓	✓	✓ *
Directed Energy Deposition		✓	
Material Extrusion	✓		
Materials Jetting	✓		
Powder Bed Fusion	✓	✓	
Sheet Lamination	✓	✓	
Vat Photopolymerization	✓		

** ceramics, sand for metal casting*



Additive Manufacturing Offers New Frontier for Research



- *Airbus A380 Nacelle Hinge Bracket*
- *Weight Reduction by 64%*
 - 918 grams to 326 grams

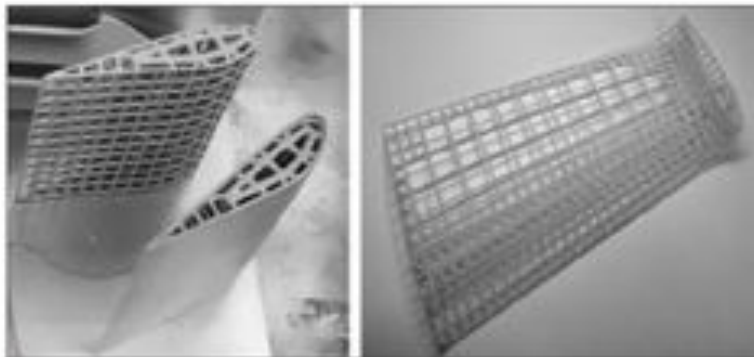


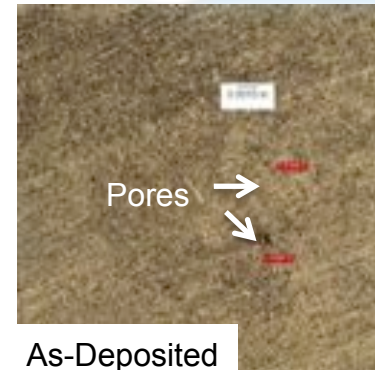
FIGURE 8 Two complex lattice suggest the difficulty of predictive analysis.

Application

Aerospace: Direct Parts

Titanium Brackets

- **Bleed Air Leak Detect (BALD) Brackets**
 - Buy to Fly Ratio of 33:1
- **Fabricated BALD Brackets Using Arcam EBM, followed by HIP, and finished machined**
 - Met ASTM standards for Tensile Properties
 - Decrease Buy to Fly Ratio Down to ~ 1.5:1
 - Decreased Cost by Over 50% with Additive Manufacturing



Property	Minimum Value		Maximum Value	
Ultimate Tensile Strength, (ksi, MPa)	132	910	152	1,048
Elongation, %	12		22	
Over 60 Tensile Specimens Tested Within a Matrix of Processing Conditions				

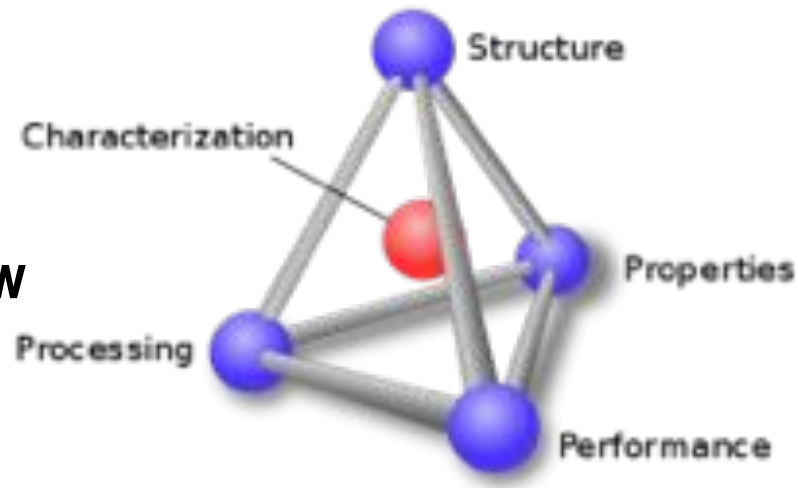
*Consistent with
data from
ARCAM*



Changing the Paradigm on Advanced Manufacturing

Interview with Leo Christodoulou

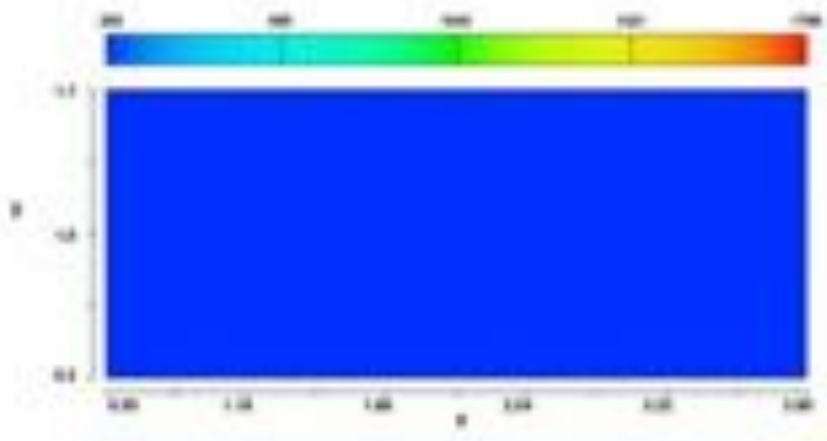
- **Information Content**: Principle value of a component is not in the design or the material its made from, but what you know about it, the information content.
- Information content is key for putting a part in service due to risk and regulation.
 - Conventional processes have established information contents which drives utilization
- Not economically viable to certify advanced processes using conventional methods. Need advanced modeling.



What Scientific Challenges:

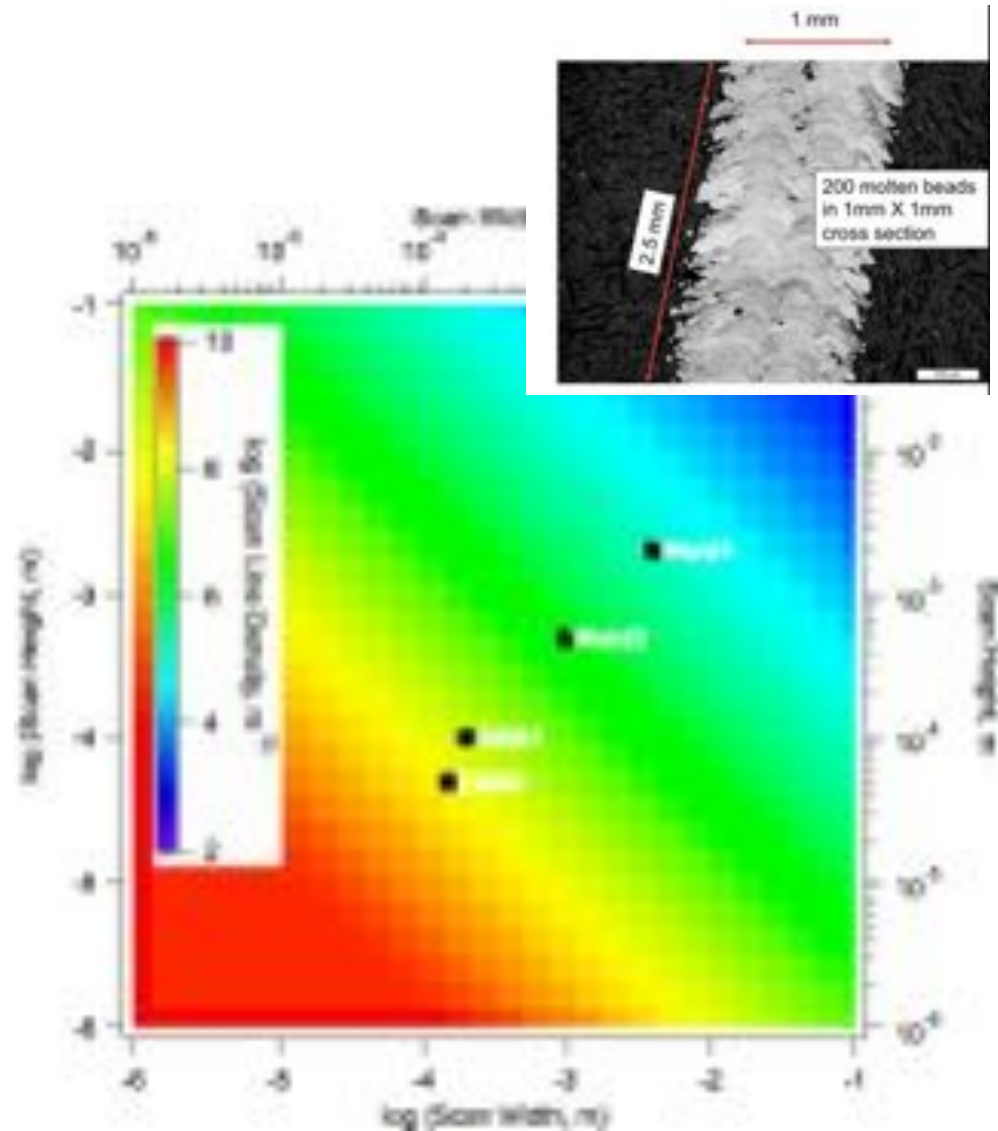
- Thermal Conditions
 - Coupling of Energy Source with Feed Stock
 - Wide Range of $\delta T/\delta x$ & $\delta T/\delta t$ → Microstructural & Residual Stress Gradients
- Microstructural Heterogeneity
 - Solidification – Crystal Orientation → Anisotropy
 - Solid-State Phase Transformations → Heterogeneous Microstructure
- Mechanical Heterogeneity
 - Due to different precipitation kinetics → Residual Stress
 - Locked in Residual Stresses → Pre-existing Cracks
 - Fatigue Properties → Inferior to Traditional Manufacturing
 - Unreliable mechanical properties → Need for Secondary Process
- ***All of these are process, material, AND part specific!***

Modeling of AM is Challenging and Computationally Intensive: But Needed!

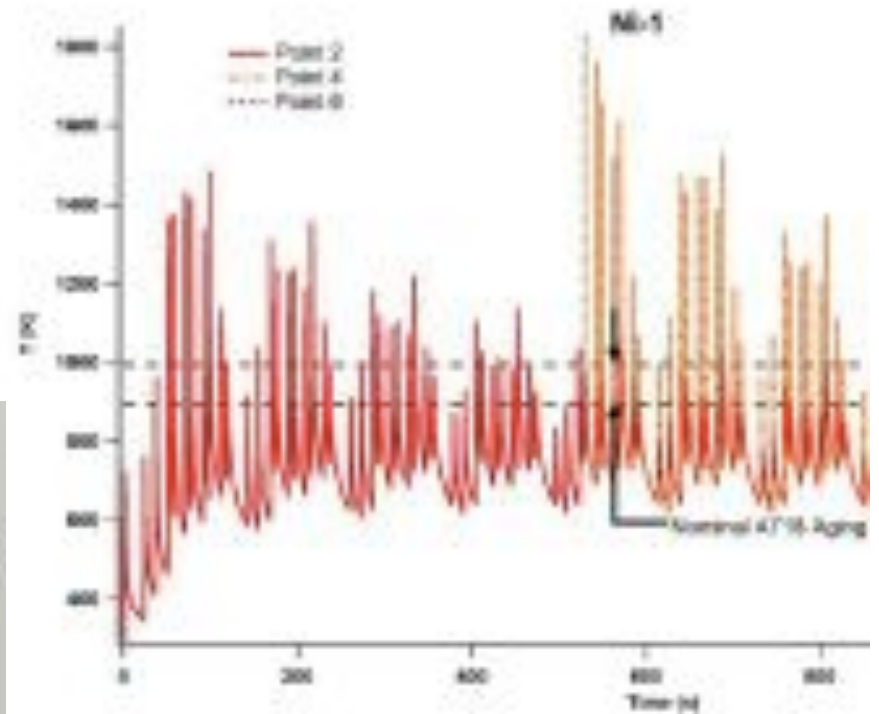
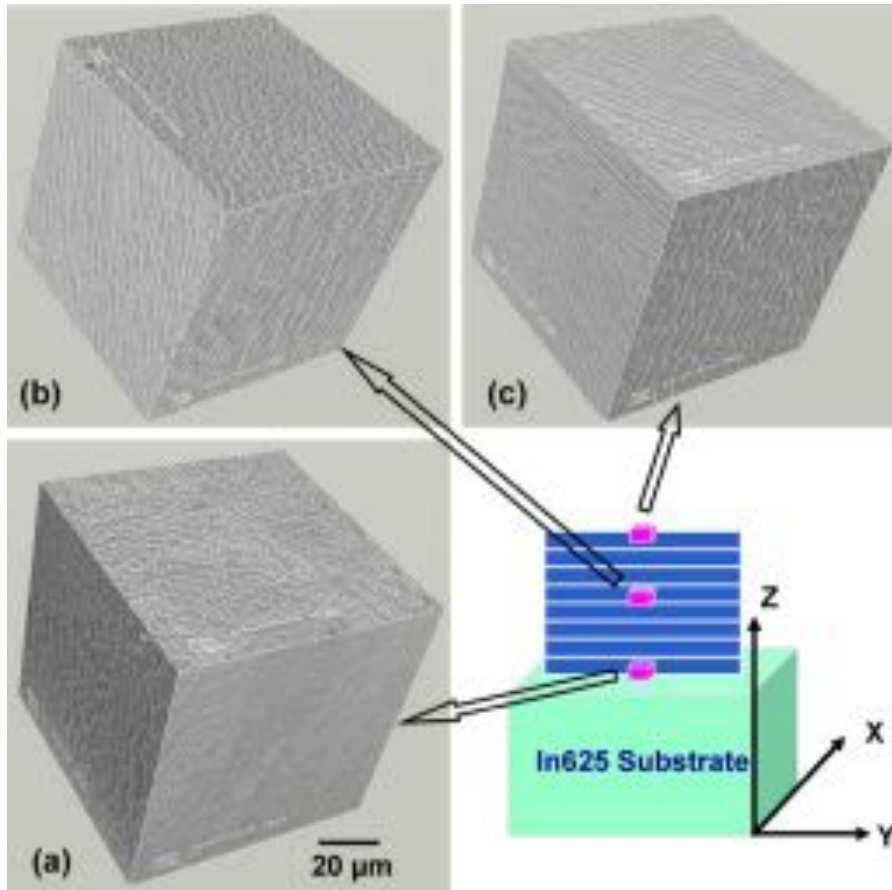


3-mm weld pool motion simulation takes more than 48 hours in a high-end computer using a commercial fluid dynamics software!

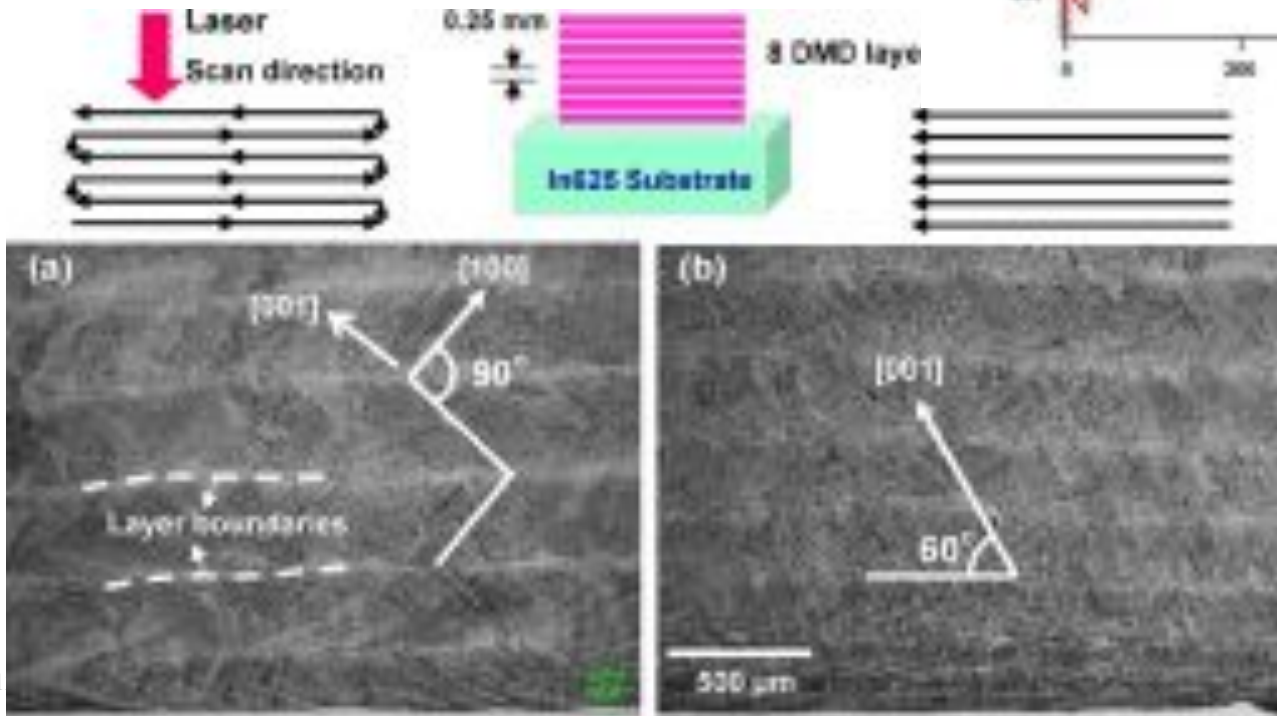
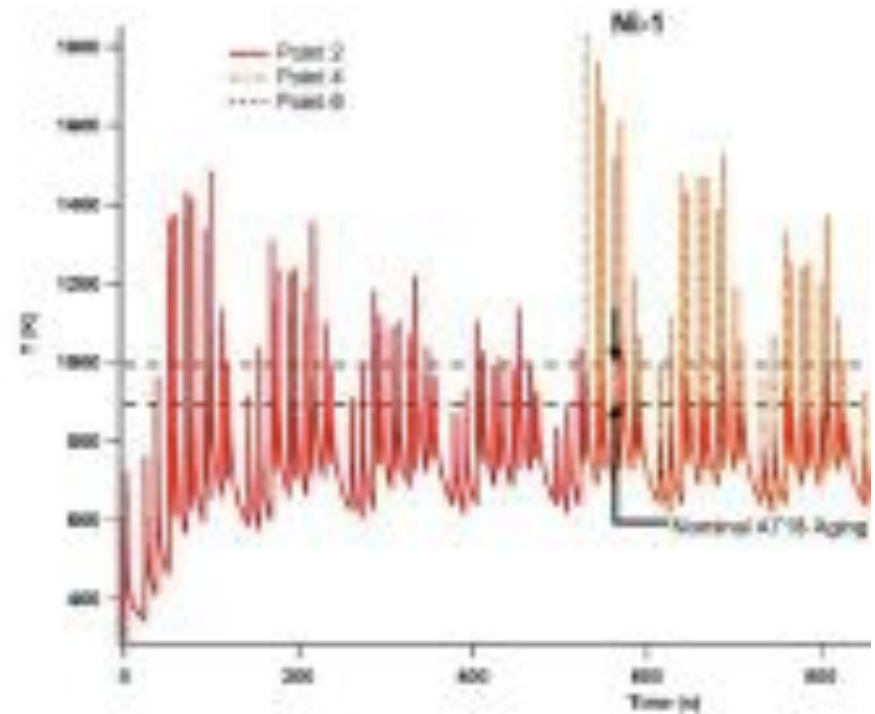
Pervasive AM modeling efforts will Rapidly increase process knowledge



Resulting Microstructure of Directed Energy Deposition Correlates to Process Parameters, Scan Strategy and location

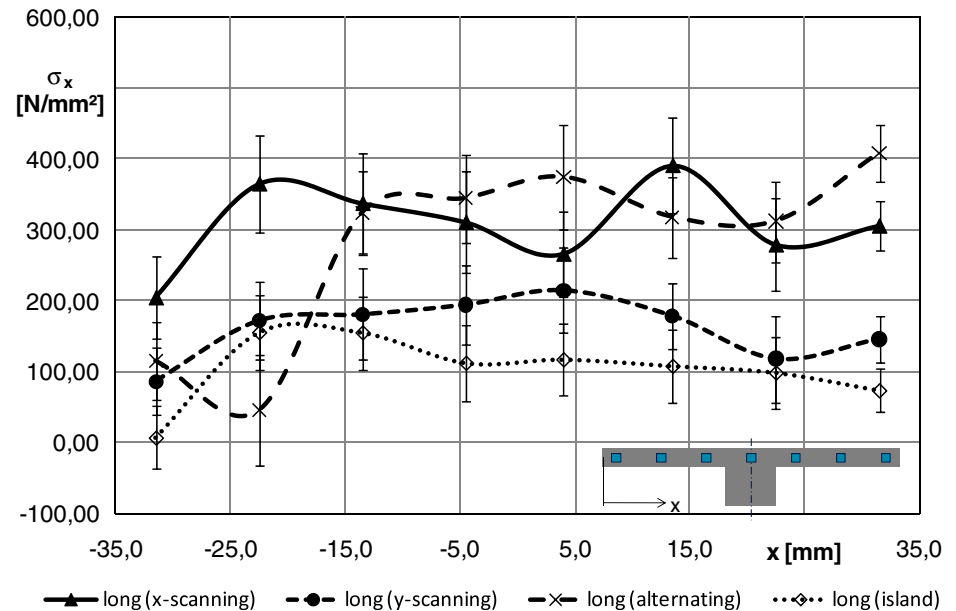
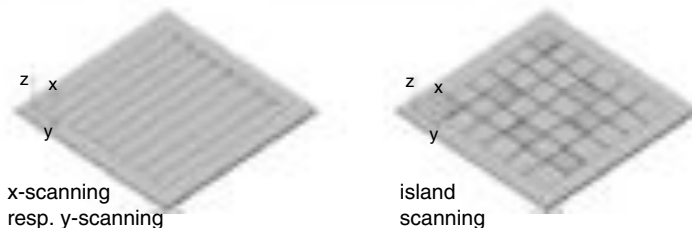
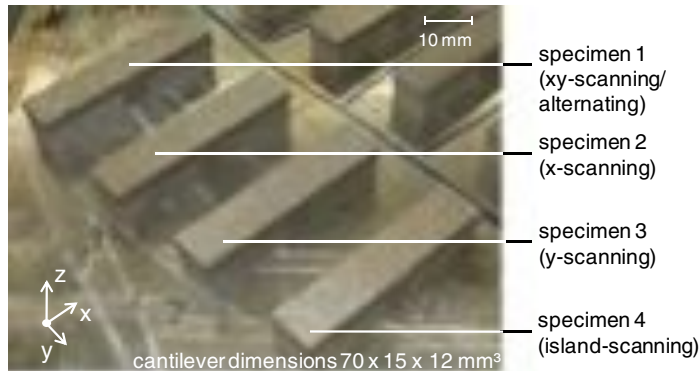
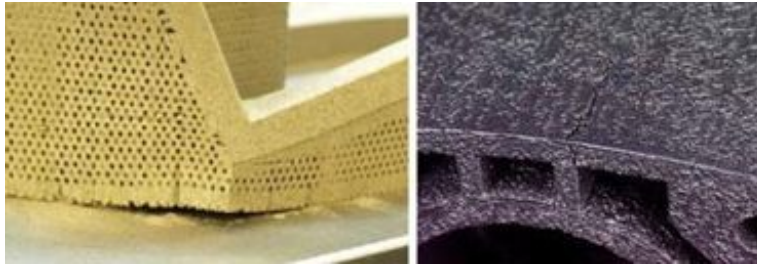


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Residual Stress is a Significant Challenge in AM:

- Dependent on Composition, Process, Energy Source, Energy intensity, Scan strategy



Longitudinal Stresses in Horizontal Direction

Zaeh and Branner, 2009

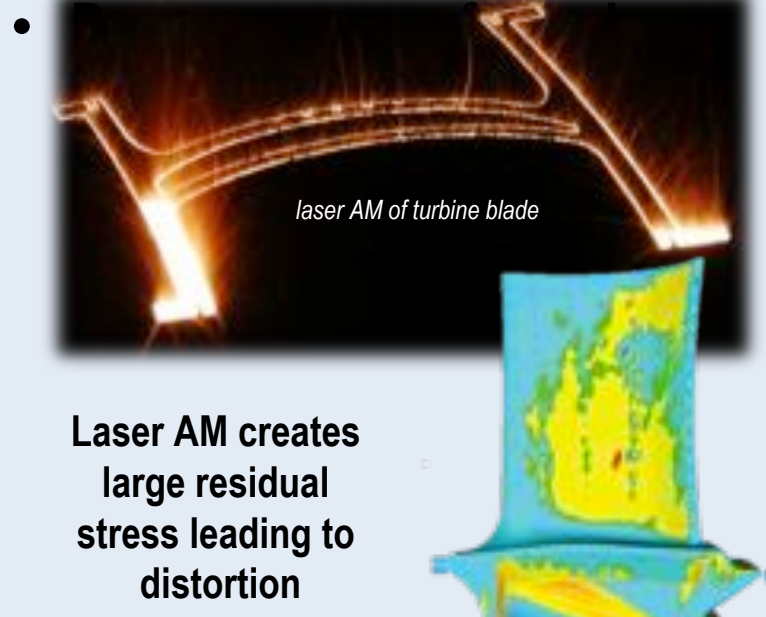
Enabling Additive Manufacturing (AM) of Turbine Blades

- Optimized internal cooling structures are desired for maximum efficiency
- AM can produce geometries not possible with conventional processes



Headquartered in Cincinnati, OH

- ~20 DLMS Machines
- 18-yr experience in laser deposition
- Recently acquired by General Electric



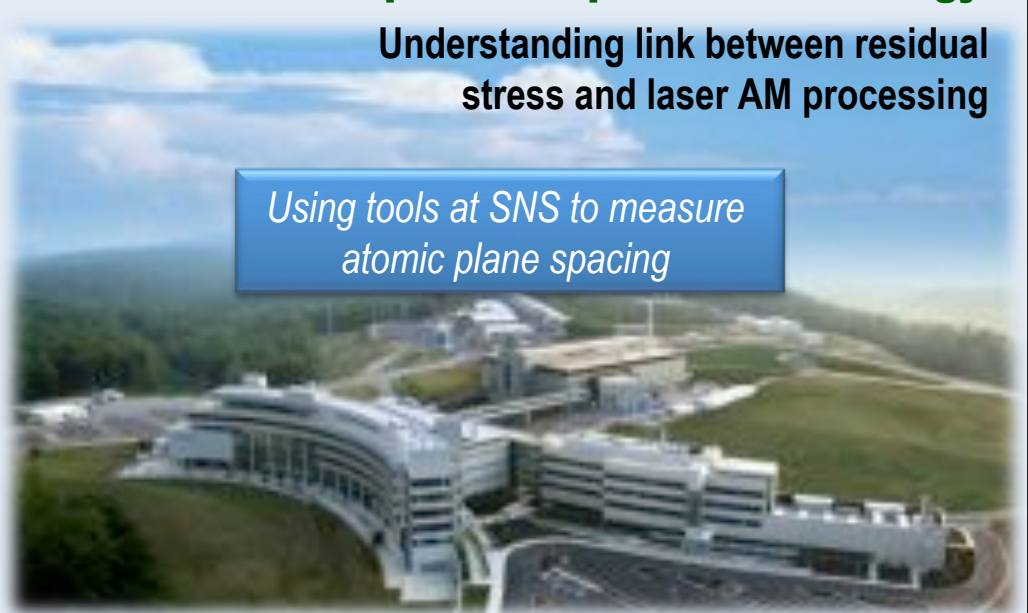
Laser AM creates large residual stress leading to distortion

Profilometry map illustrating distortion

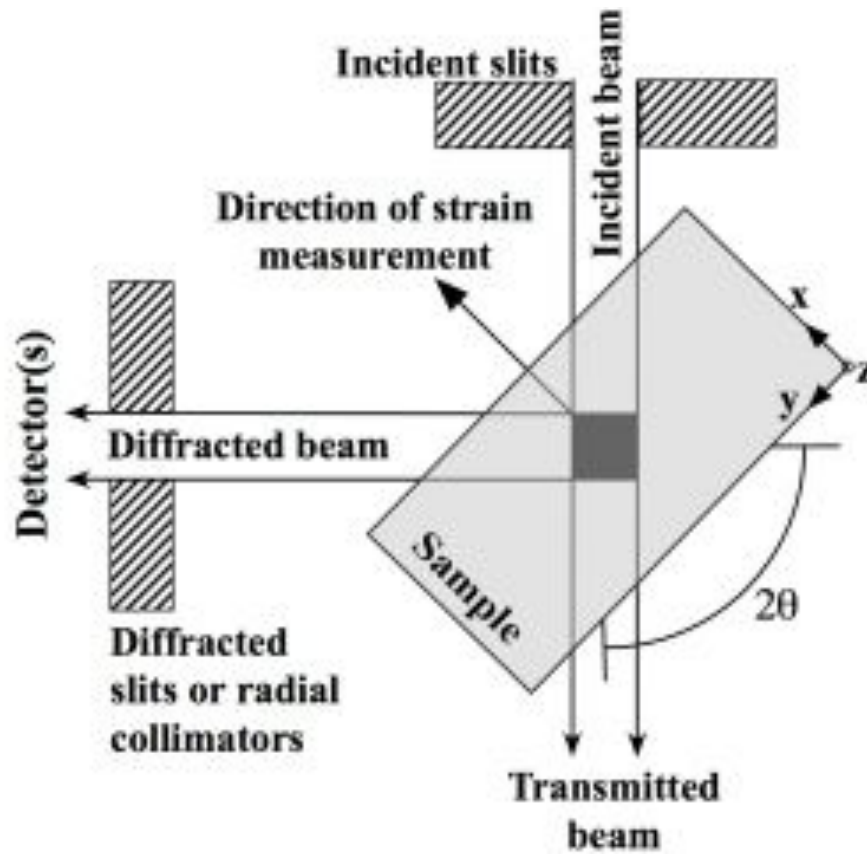
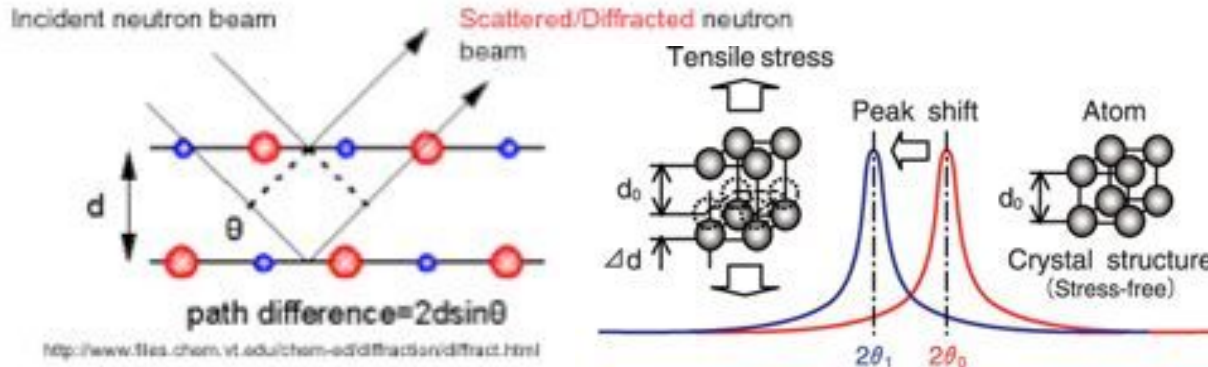
Critical to widespread adoption of technology

Understanding link between residual stress and laser AM processing

Using tools at SNS to measure atomic plane spacing



Neutron Diffraction for Residual Stress of DLMS Turbine Blade:

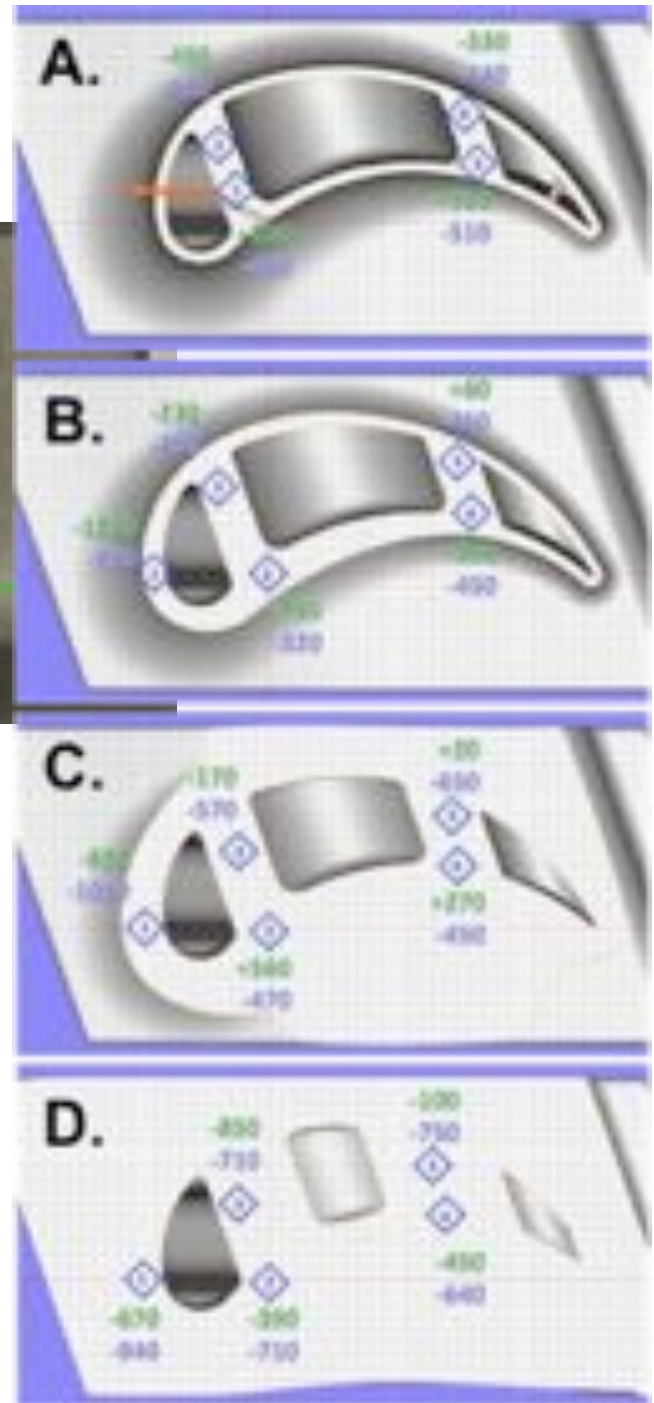


Measurement of Lattice Spacing in Turbine Blade

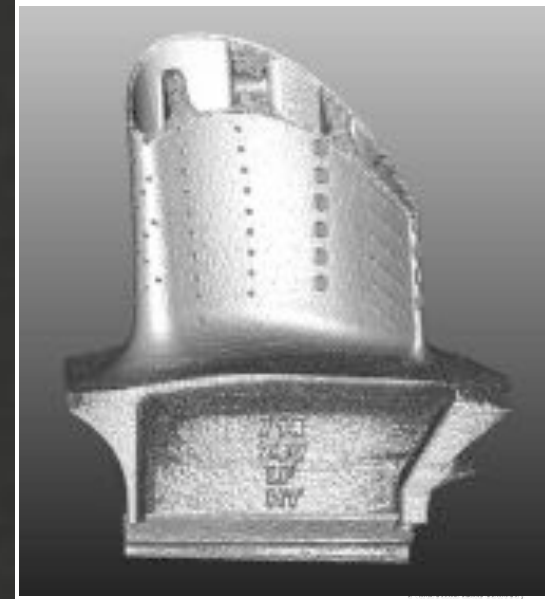
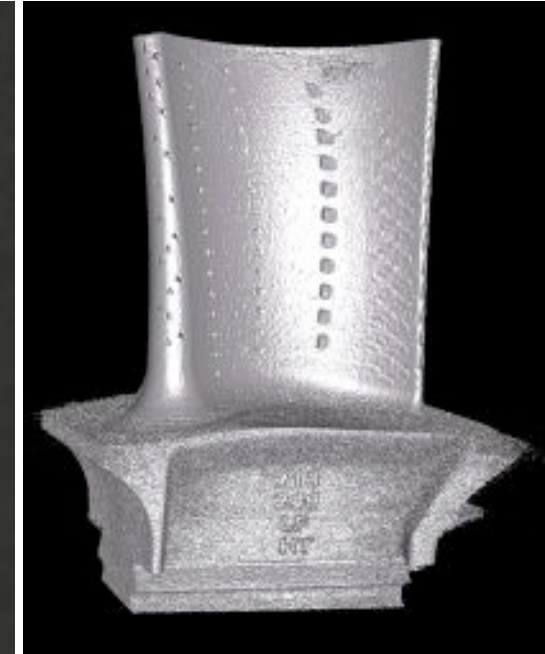
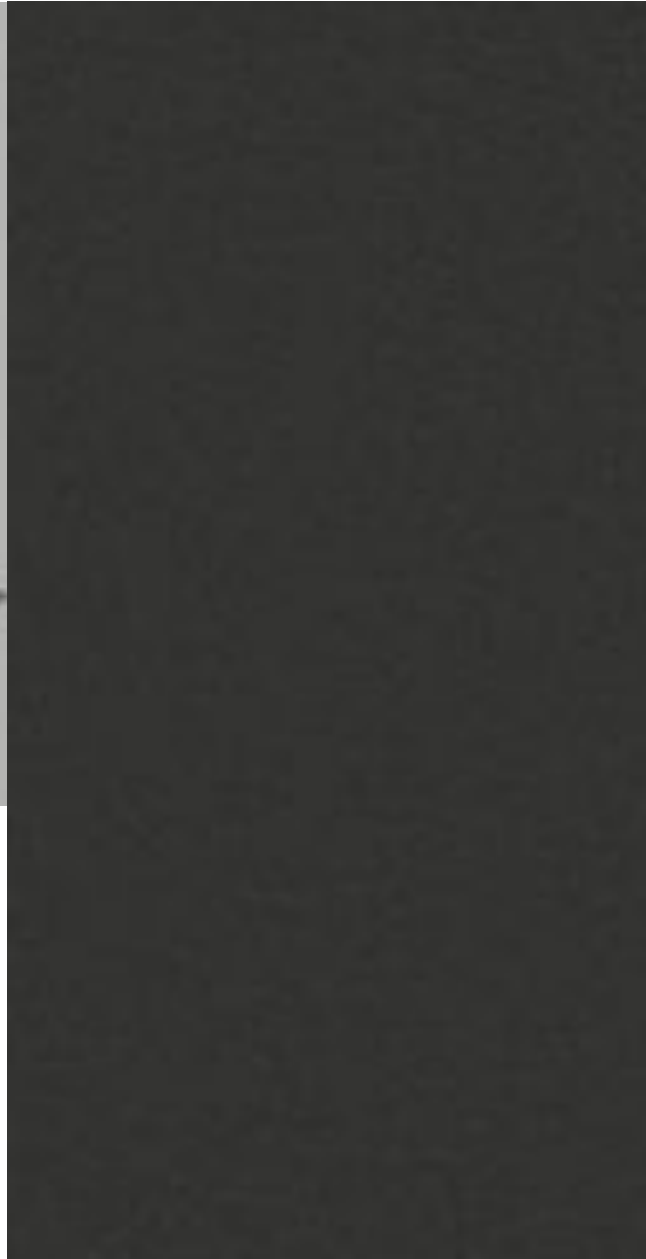
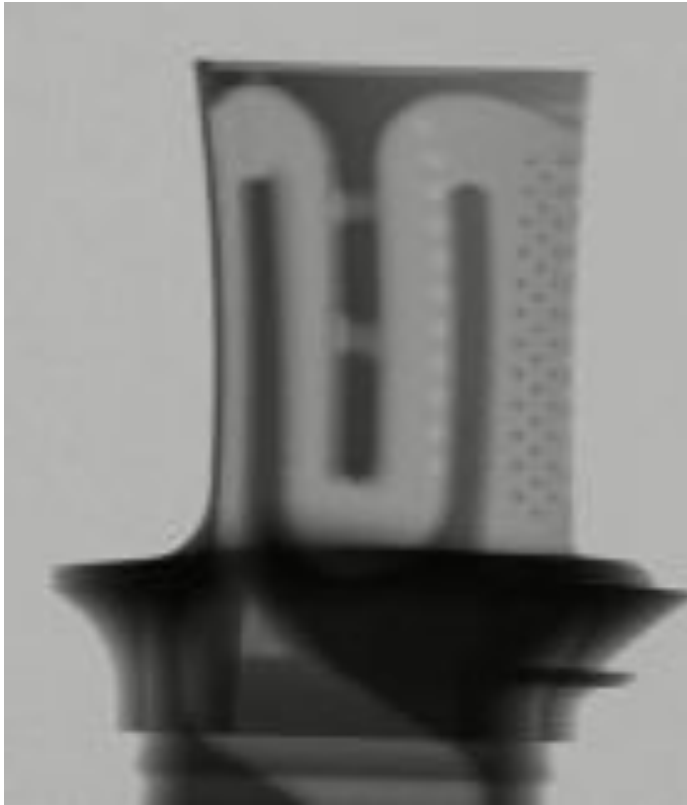
Laser Power	Machine	Condition
400	280	As-Built
400	280	Heat Treated
400	280	Stress Relieved
200	270	Heat Treated
200	270	Stress Relieved
200	270	As-Built



- Different geometry features result in different residual stress states (tensile vs. compressive)
- Stress relief unifies residual stress (compressive), but results in geometric distortion
- Understanding stresses induced by laser deposition is critical for improving part accuracy and performance during service



Neutron Imaging of DLMS Turbine Blade:

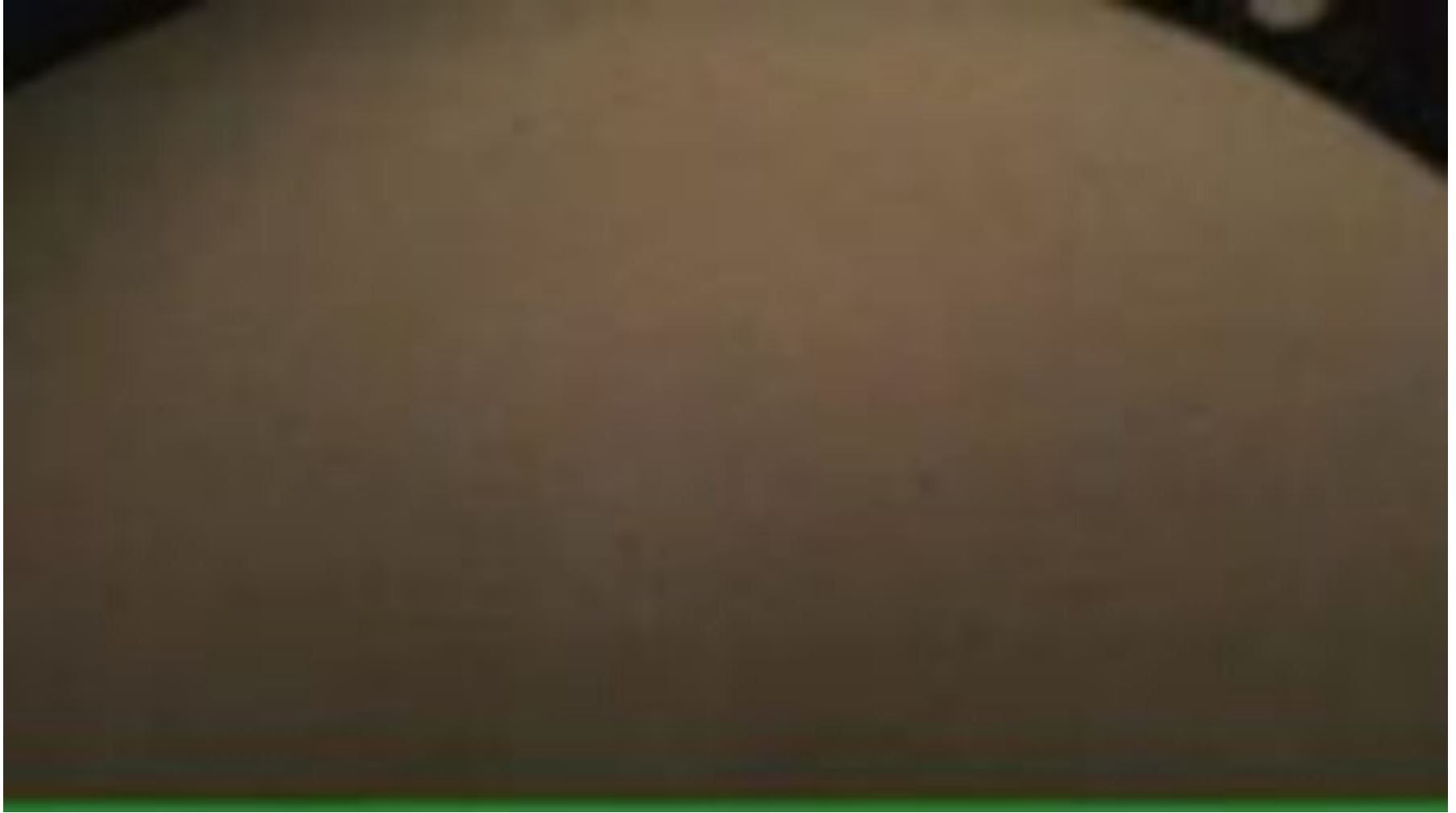


- 210 Images around 180 degree rotational axis
- Currently $\sim 75 \mu\text{m}$ resolution at HFIR, VENUS is targeting $10 \mu\text{m}$
- Developing methodology to perform stress mapping with tomography

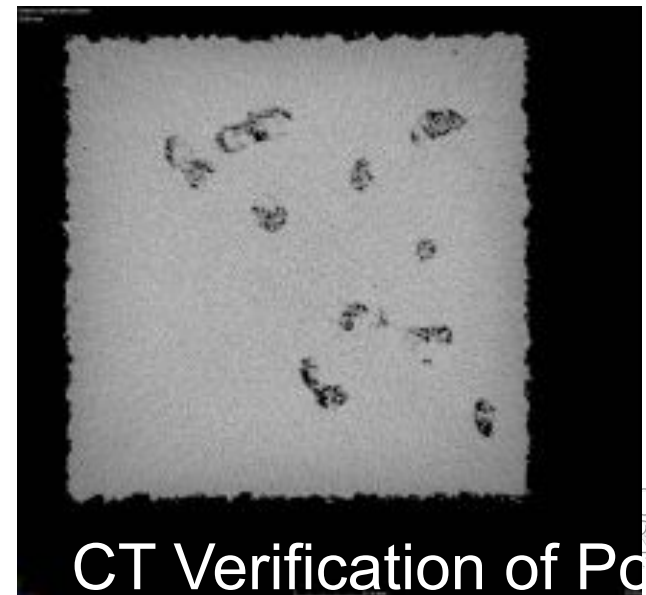
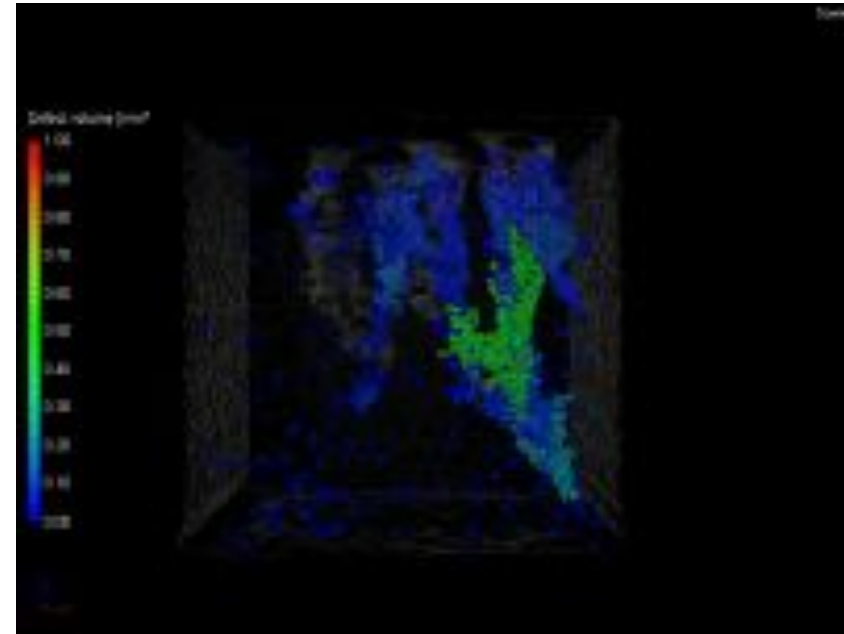
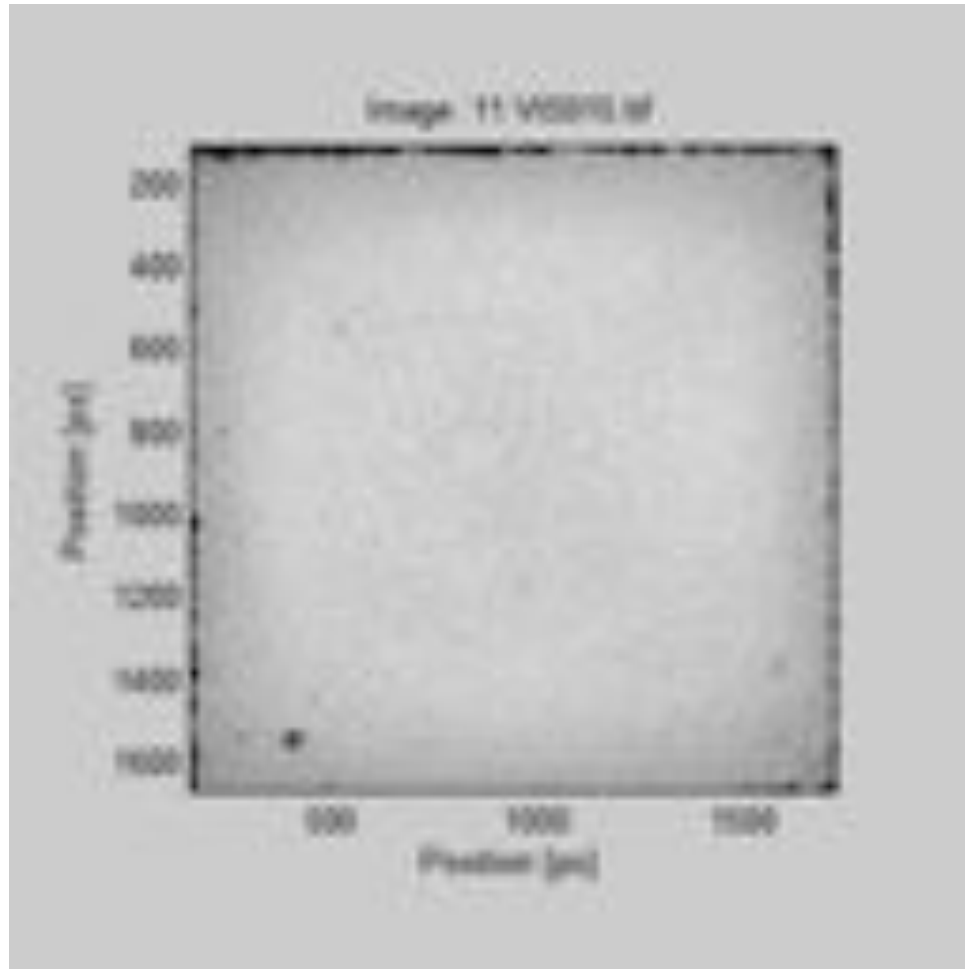
Powder Bed Fusion: Arcam EBM



Single Layer Deposition:

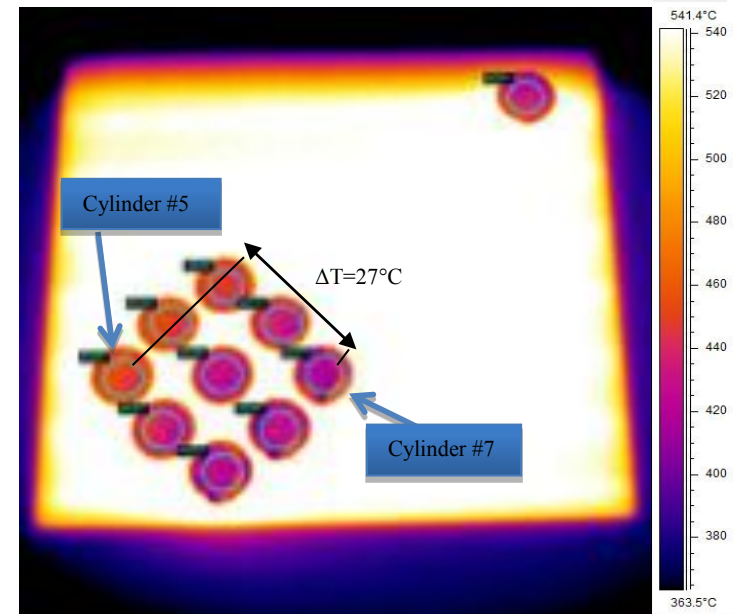
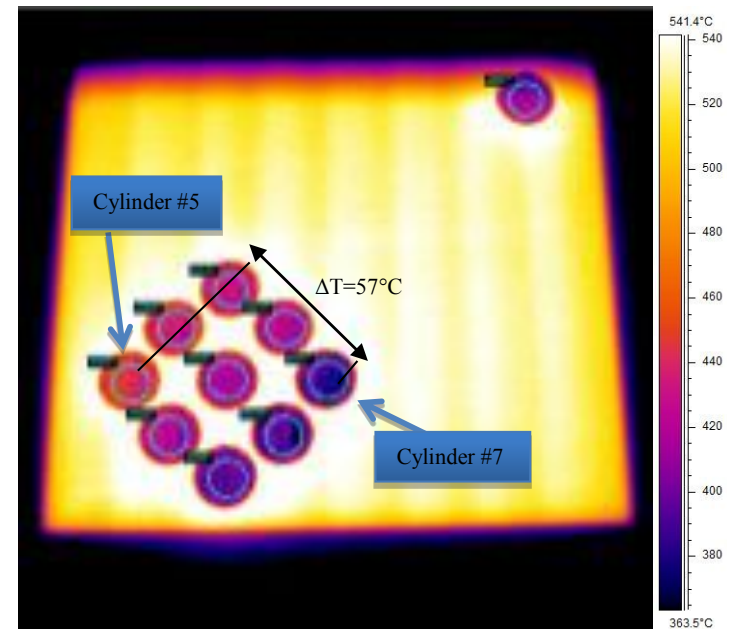
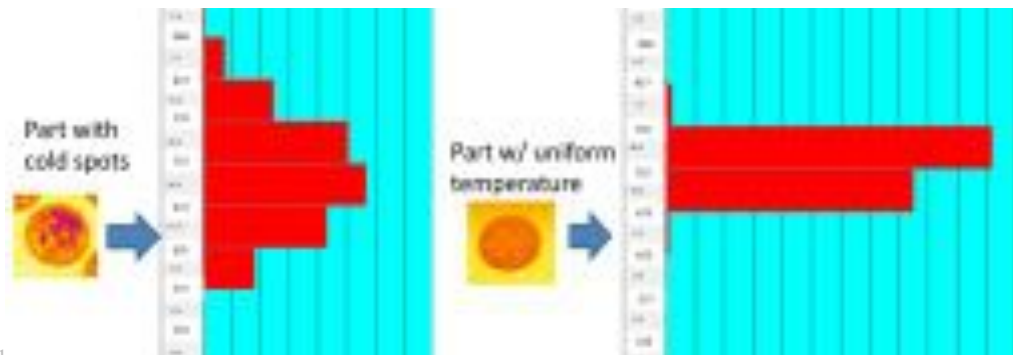
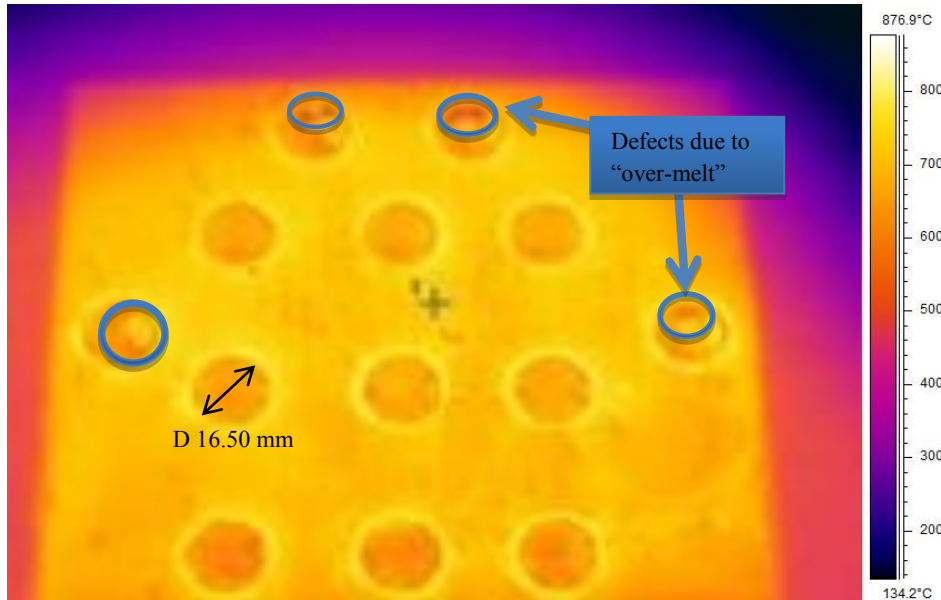


Verification of Porosity In a 10 mm cube



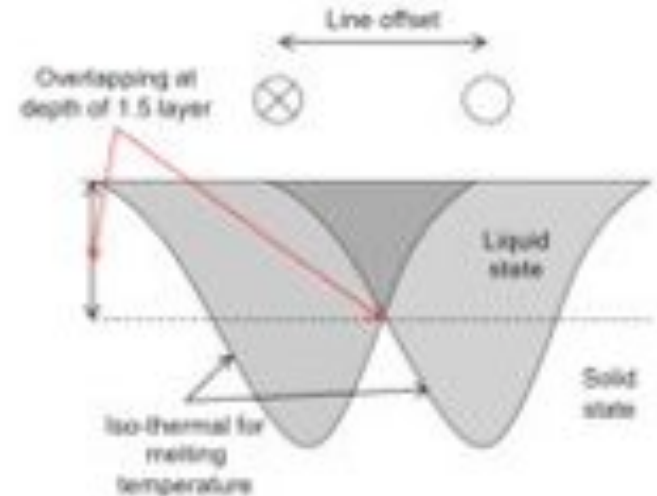
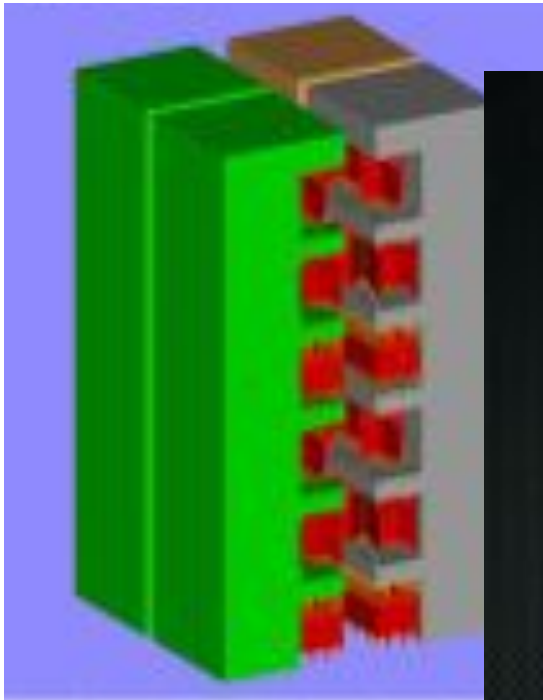
Energy verification by Infrared Thermography:

- FLIR SC645 IR Camera, $\sim 350 \mu\text{m}/\text{pixel}$



High Speed Infrared Thermography During Melting Process:

- Examination of specific properties on melting process and quality
 - Focus Value, Support Structure, Current, Speed, etc.



Layer I
Overhang Study

Next-Generation ARCAM EBM A2XX

Machine Specifications:

- Expand Build Envelope from 200mm x 200mm to Ø350mm x 380mm tall
- Build Rate for Ti-6Al-4V is ~80cm³ per hour

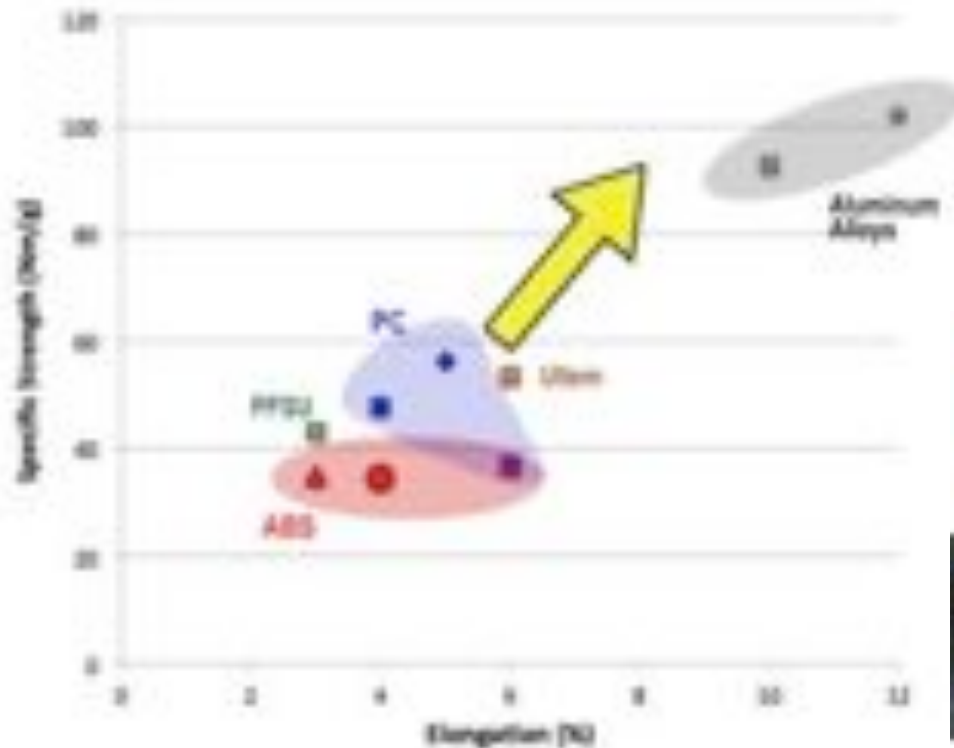
Challenges:

- Similar Electron Column and Control Hardware
- Limited to specific geometries due to limited beam current



Fused Deposition Modeling:

- Extrusion Thermoplastic Materials
- Known as a Rapid Prototyping Tool
 - Modeling
 - Visualization
 - Multi-Materials

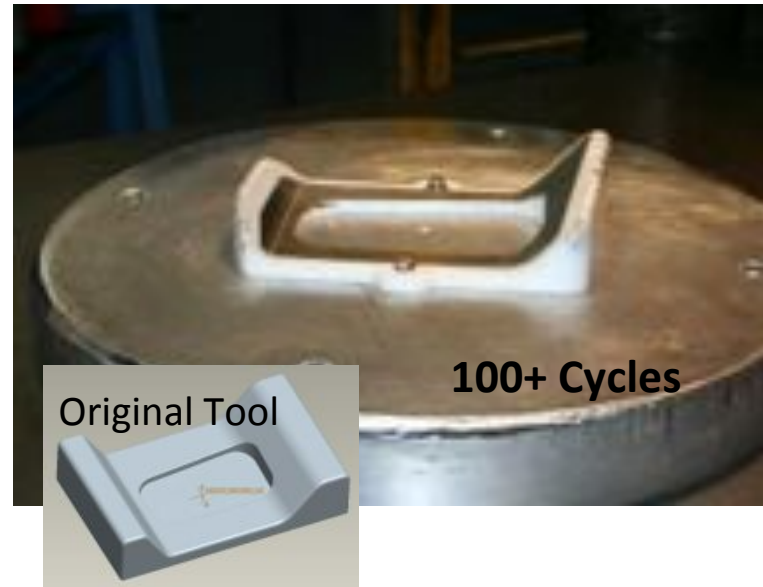


Example: Sheet Metal Tooling

Demonstrated Application of AM in Tool and Die

Optimized Tool

- Large Tools
 - 2.3m Long Hydro Form Tool
 - PC Material
 - Methods to join parts proven



Optimized Tools

Match FDM material to forming pressure

ABS max 20.7 MPa

PC max 55.2 MPa

ULTEM max 68.9 MPa

Rubber Pad Tool optimized for cost and build time

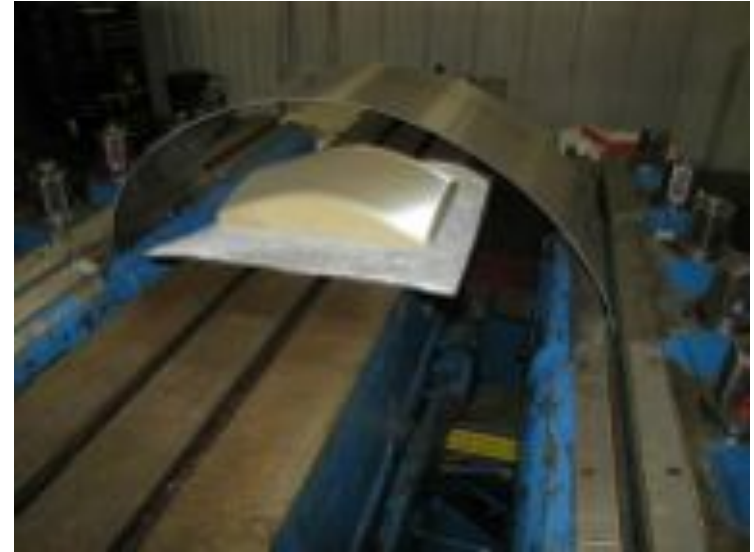
~ \$200US in material

~ 8 hour build time

Example: Stretch Form Tooling

Emerging

- Tool Details
 - Size 10" x 13" x 2.5"
 - 2" crown w/ multiple contours
 - Tool Material – ULTEM 9085
- Successfully Formed
 - Alloy 2024-0
 - Thickness 0.050" up to 0.100"
- Notes
 - Surface pressures are minimal
 - Tool can be optimized to minimize build times and cost
 - PC is a viable alternate material depending on alloy, thickness and tool build styles

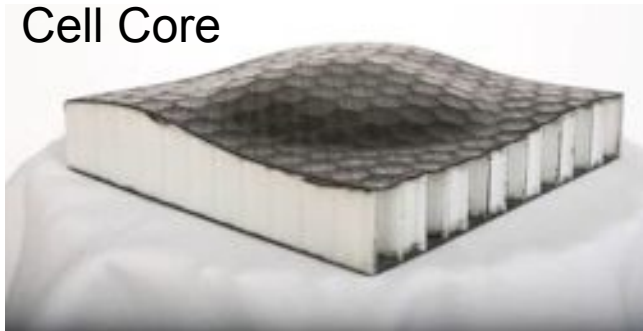


Example: Laminated Net Shaped Core

Demonstrated Application



FDM Polycarbonate Hex Cell Core



3 plies of bi-directional weave epoxy matrix facing skins wet lay-up over core. Note dimple pattern.

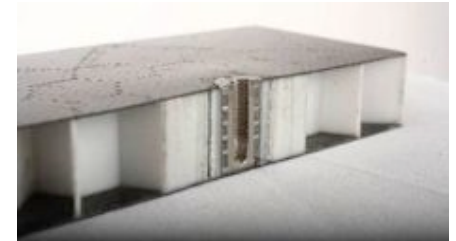


Same construction using proprietary lay-up/curing method. Note smooth outer surface.

Courtesy of Aviradyne
US Patent No. 6,630,093



Sealed part edges
Proven insert methods

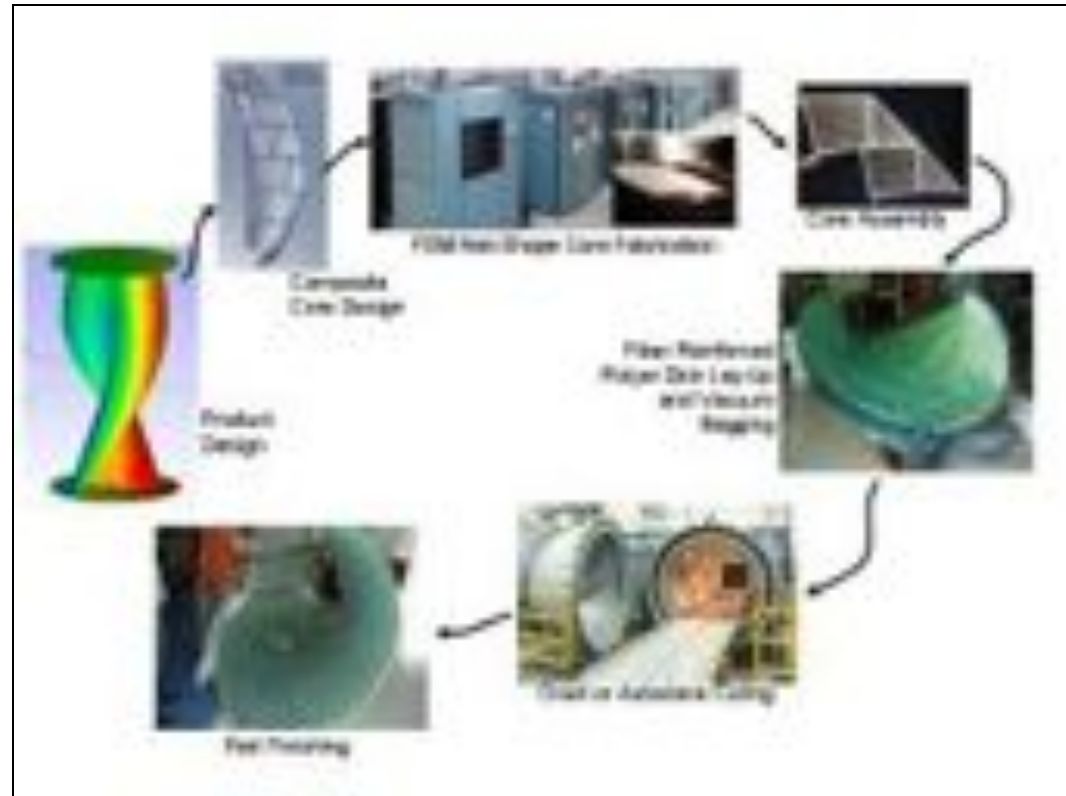


Example: Large Net shape Cores

Demonstrated Application

Direct-Digital Advanced Composites (D-DAC®)

- Employs additive fabrication technology to produce “net-shaped” self-supporting polymer cores
- High specific strength sandwich composites
- Eliminates part specific composite tools
- Compatible with most fiber reinforcements and resin systems
- Compatible with most lay-up methods (wet, pre-preg, VARTM, fiber placement, filament winding, etc.)



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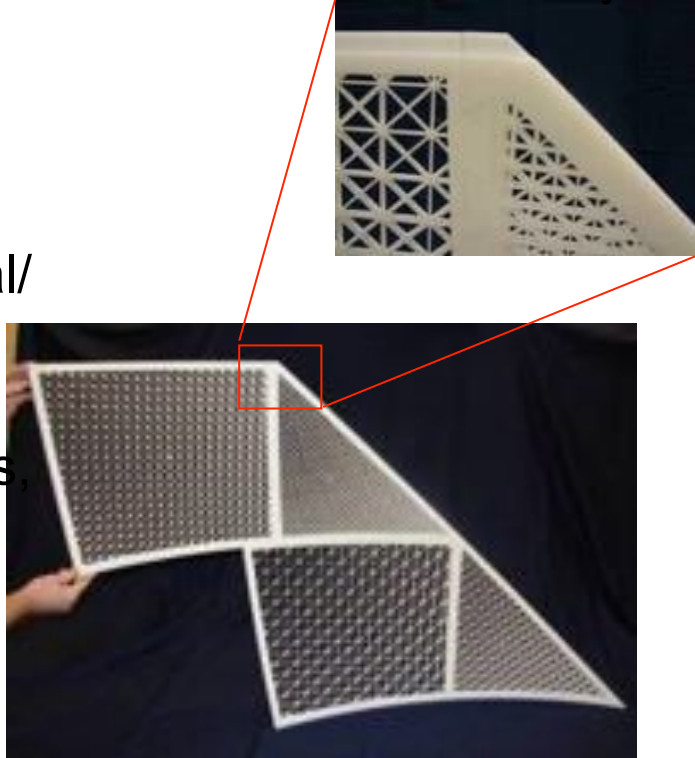
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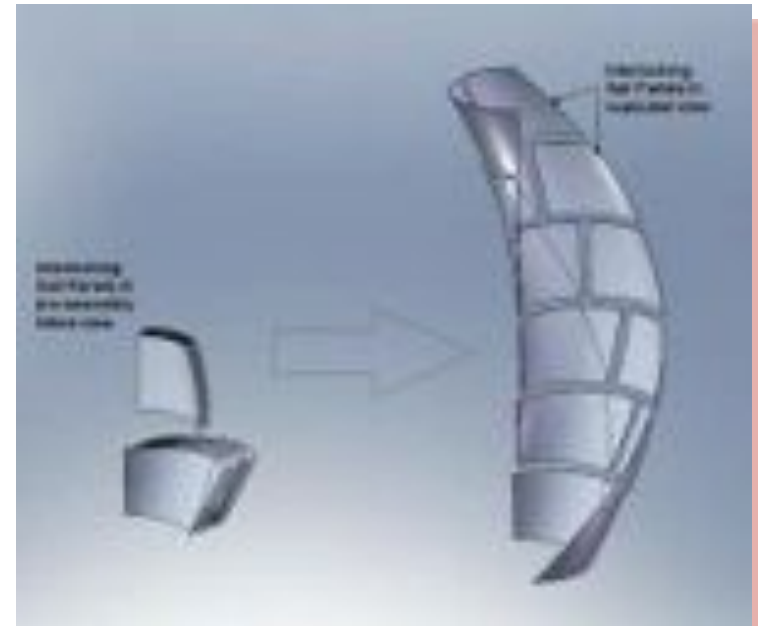
Note: AM is limited to small parts and very low deposition rates

D-DAC® Core Assembly

Joining
Techniques:
Adhesive
Bonding, Metal/
Polymer
Fasteners,
Snap-Fit Joints,
Traditional
Mechanical
Joining
Methods, etc.



Composite Panel Assembly



*Proprietary Modular Savonius Wind Sail Assembly
Design Using D-DAC® Interlocking Composite
Sandwich Panels*

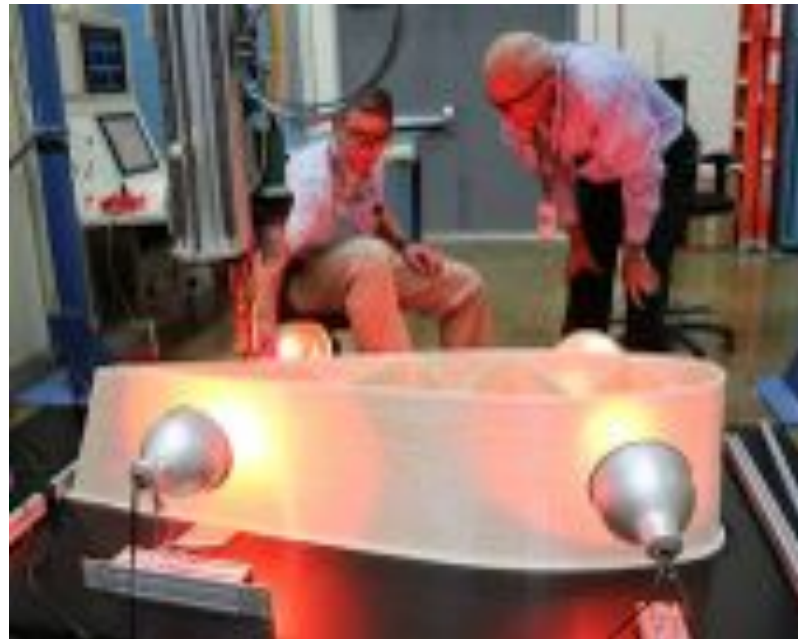
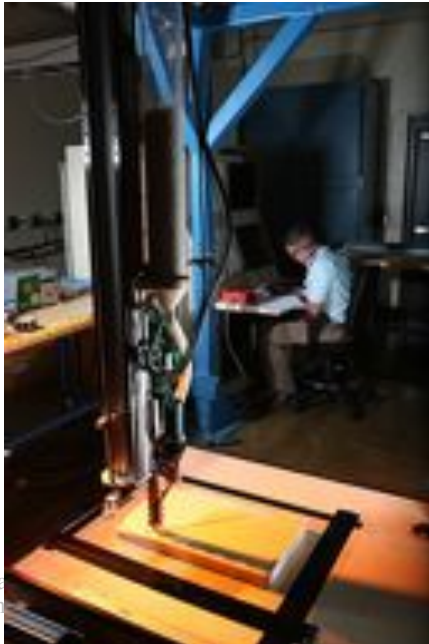
Large Scale Additive Manufacturing

- ***All of the previous examples demonstrated***
 - Feasibility of using additive components for tool and die
 - The present limitation in part size
 - To make large tools requires joining many small parts together
- ***Just making a larger additive manufacturing system isn't the solution***
 - Deposition rate of present technology is 1 to 5 ci/hr. A 6' X 3' X 2' tool would take 518 days to manufacture
- ***Need new materials and deposition methodologies that can enable quantum jump in deposition rate and size***

Vision: Large Scale, High Deposition Rate Additive/Subtractive Machining Centers

Leveraging existing infrastructure

- Lockheed Martin recently located their large scale AM system at ORNL MDF
 - Powder feed and mix, extrusion system and robotic deployment
 - Interest is to have ORNL jump start materials/process development
- Objective is to get “out of the oven” to enable:
 - *Unbounded part size*
 - *Integration of subtractive processes for part finish*
 - *Integration of robotic pick and place for system integration on parts*



Goals and Challenges

- Goals

- Unbounded part size

- Present technology limited to 3' x 2' x 3' parts
 - *Many tools and dies are many meters long*

- >100 X increase in build rate

- A solid 3' x 2' x 3' part with 0.010" layer thickness (*1 ci/hr would take over a year to manufacture!*)
 - *A 5 ci/minute build rate would make the same part in under 5 days*

- Challenges

- Material properties & performance

- Investigate impact filled materials (glass and carbon fiber) have on mechanical properties, residual stress, geometric stability
 - Strength, ductility, toughness, geometric accuracy, etc.

- Deposition in open environment

- Layer to layer processing for cross-linking, z-strength
 - Alternative processes (induction melting) for finer flow control

- Coordination of processing of materials (extrusion), processing of layers (accelerate cross-linking) and finishing (subtractive processes)

- Coordinate flow control with motion control
 - Layer to layer processing
 - Integrated post processing for surface finish

Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM)

The future of additive manufacturing: high school robotics teams

FIRST Robotics Competition

- Founded by Dean Kamen (Segway inventor): For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology
 - Goal: Inspiring youth to be science and technology leaders
- ORNL mentor: Lonnie Love
 - 8 area high schools
 - 2012 Smoky Mountains Regional Competition
 - **Hardin Valley Academy**
Engineering Excellence Award
 - **Oak Ridge High School**
Top Rookie All Star Award & Nationals Contender
 - **Webb High School**
Woodie Flowers Finalist Award
 - **Knoxville Catholic High School** and **Seymour High School**
Ranked in the Top 5



Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) ORNL helps kick off 2013 FIRST



“ORNL’s MDF hosts 550+ students from
26 schools to kickoff 2013 FIRST robotics
season in East Tennessee ”

January 5, 2013



Questions

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