

Molecules to Manufacturing: Expanding the Polymeric Materials Toolbox

In-Situ Processing Measurements

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Design, Research, and Education for
Additive Manufacturing Systems

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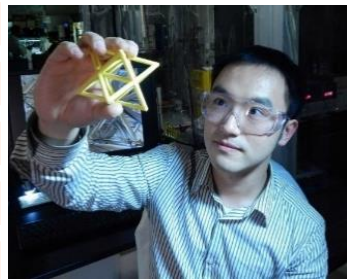


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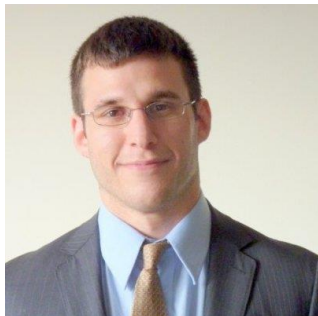
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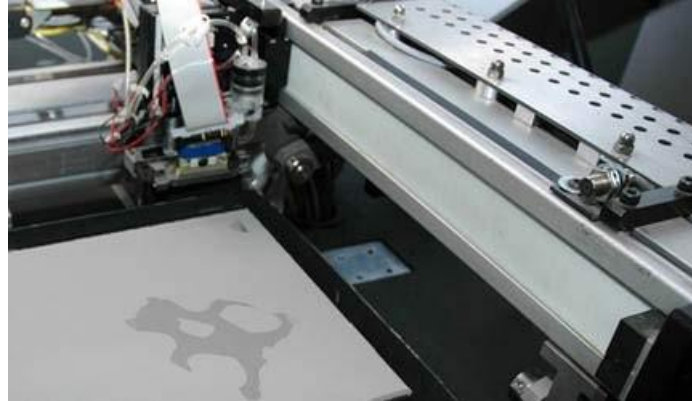
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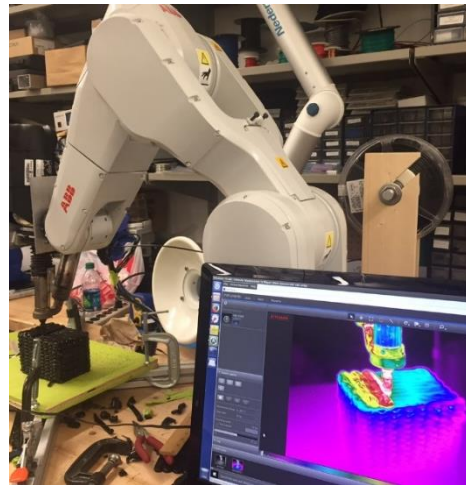
Metal/Ceramic/Sand Binder Jetting



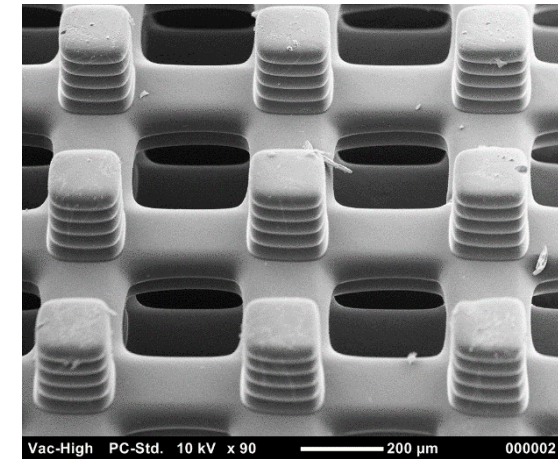
Multi-Material Jetting



Polymer Powder Bed Fusion



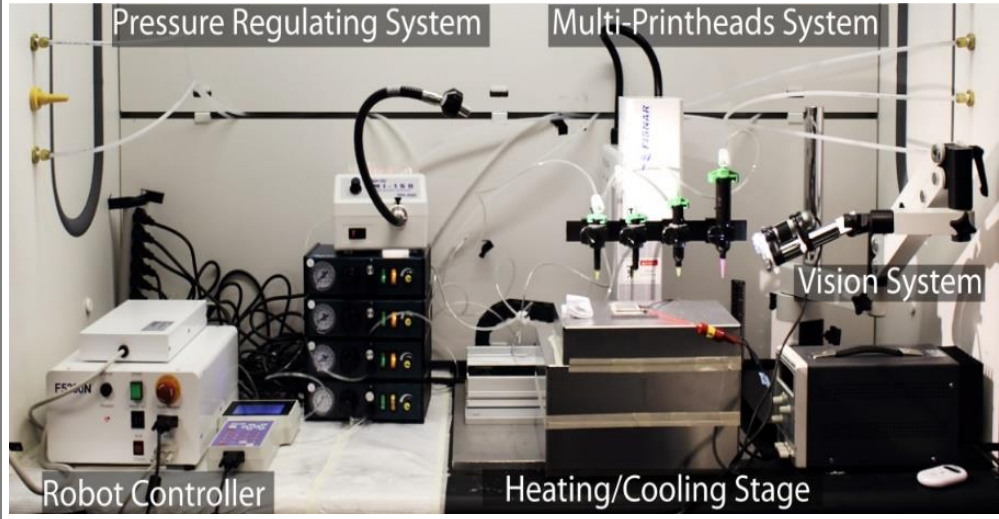
6 DoF Extrusion



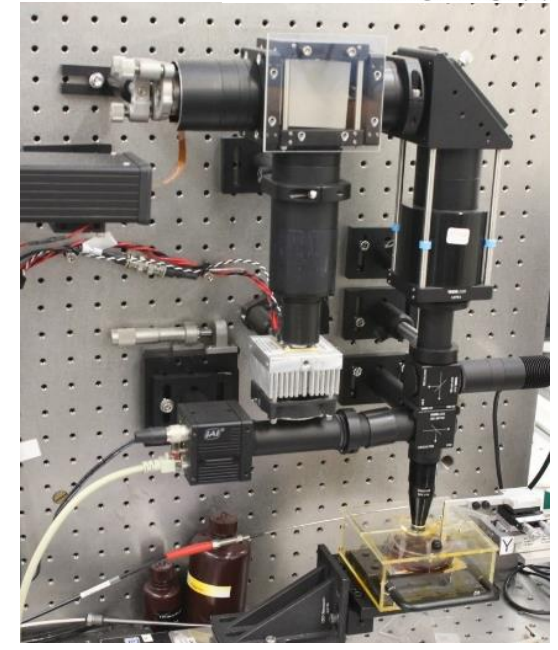
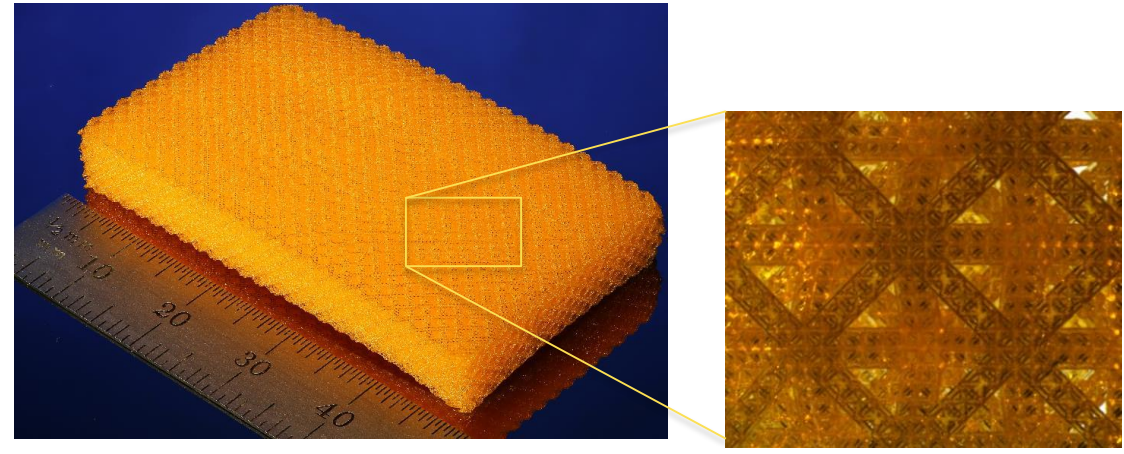
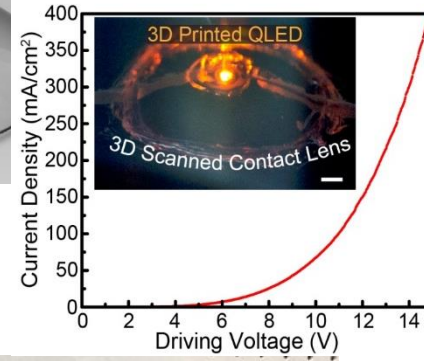
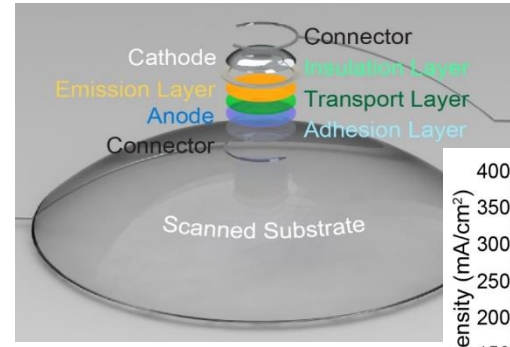
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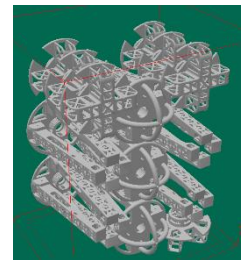
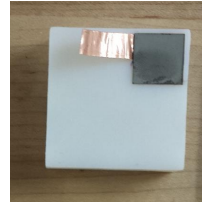
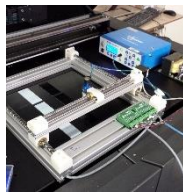
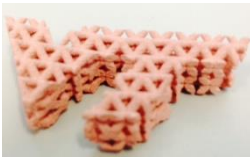
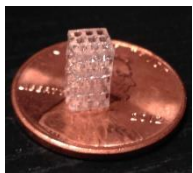


Multi-Material Precision Extrusion (B. Johnson)



**Mask Projection Vat
Photopolymerization (R. Zheng)**

Research Across the AM Process



Advanced Materials for AM

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Quality Assurance

Application



Design for AM

In-Situ Monitoring

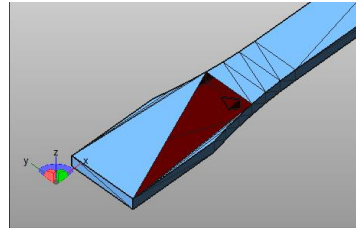
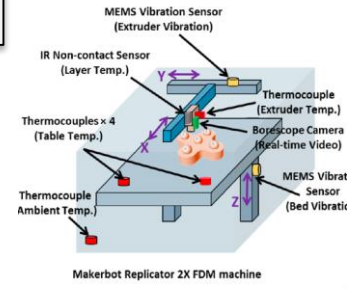
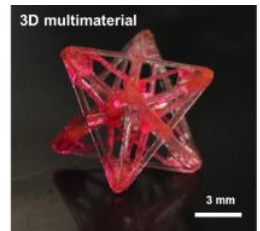
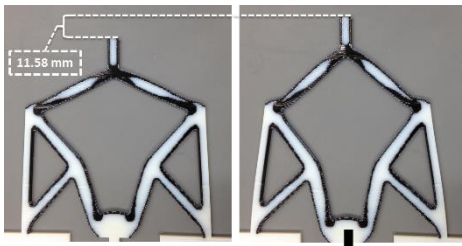
Cyber-Physical Security

Workforce Development

Decision Support

Design Optimization

Metamaterial Design



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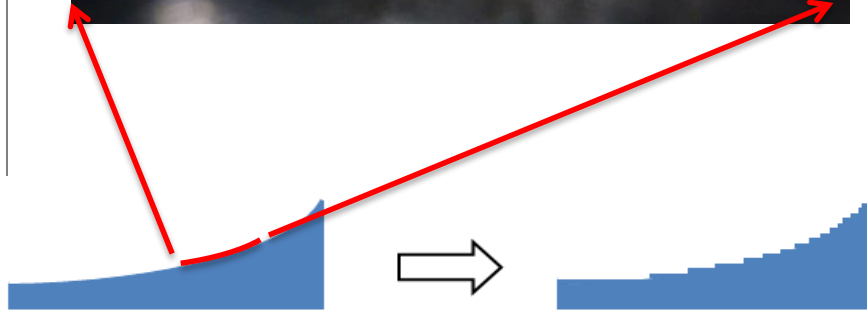
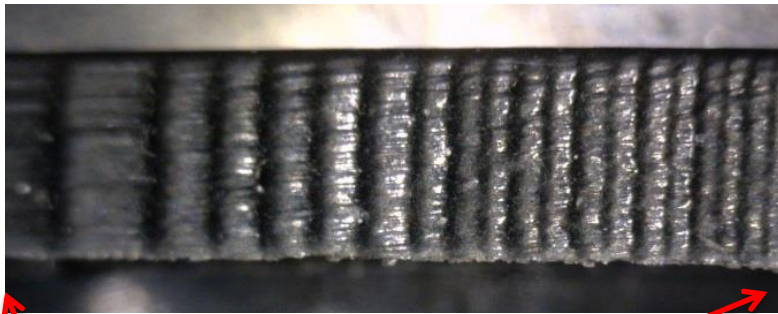


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Moore & Williams, *Rapid Prototyping Journal*, 2014

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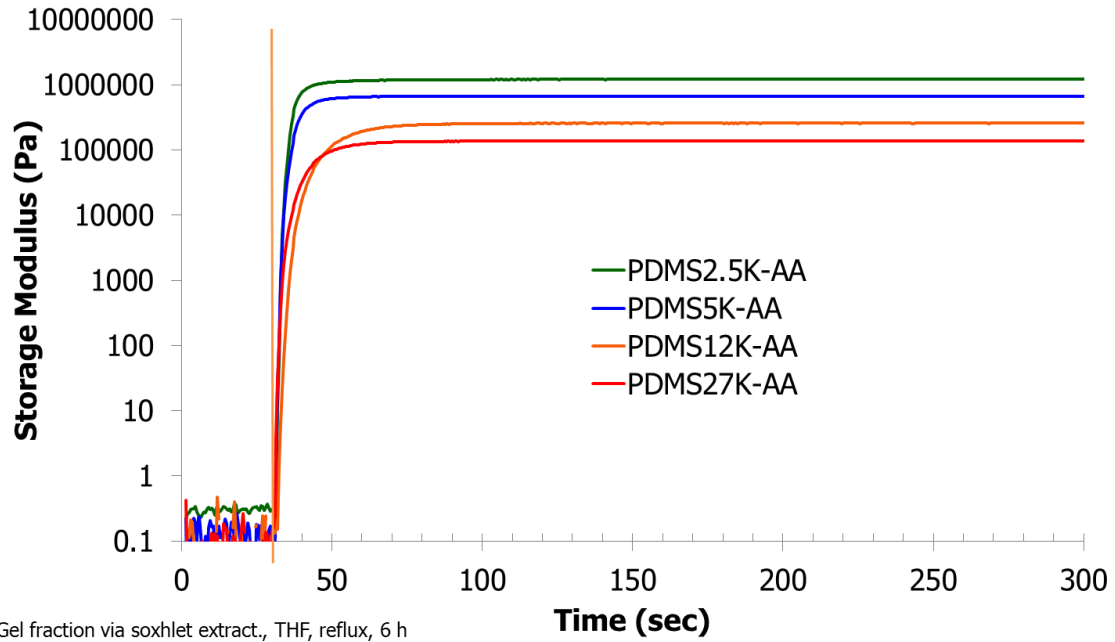


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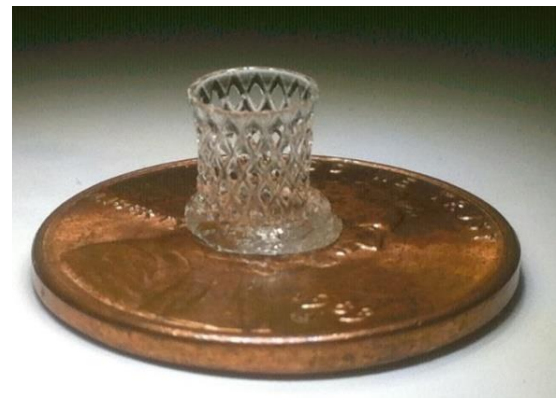
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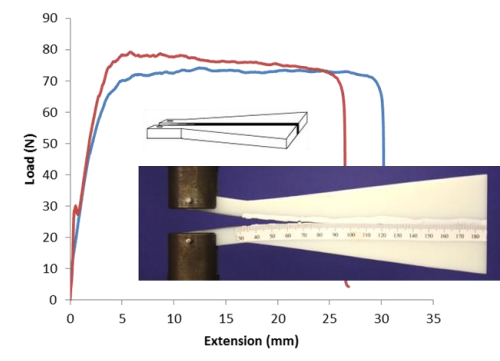
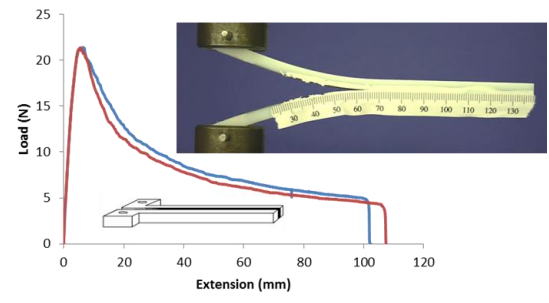
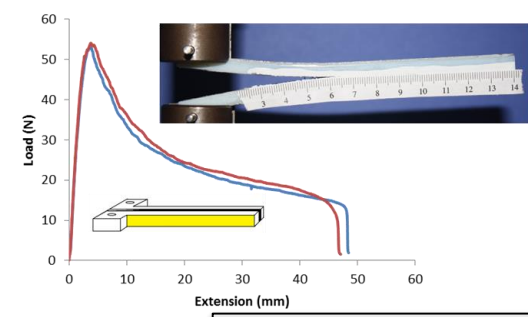
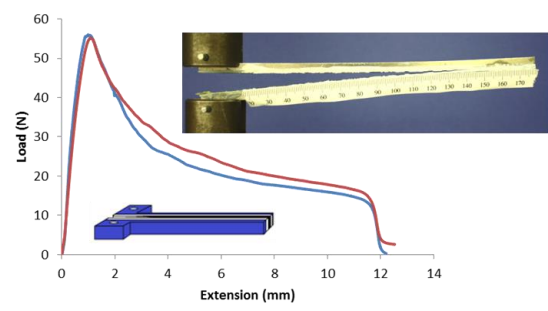
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Determination of the mode I adhesive fracture energy, GIC, of structural adhesives using the double cantilever beam (DCB) and tapered double cantilever beam (TDCB) specimens, in BS 7991:2001. 2001.

Crosshead rate: 1 mm/min



Vu, Bass, Meisel, Orler, Williams & Dillard, *SFF*, 2014

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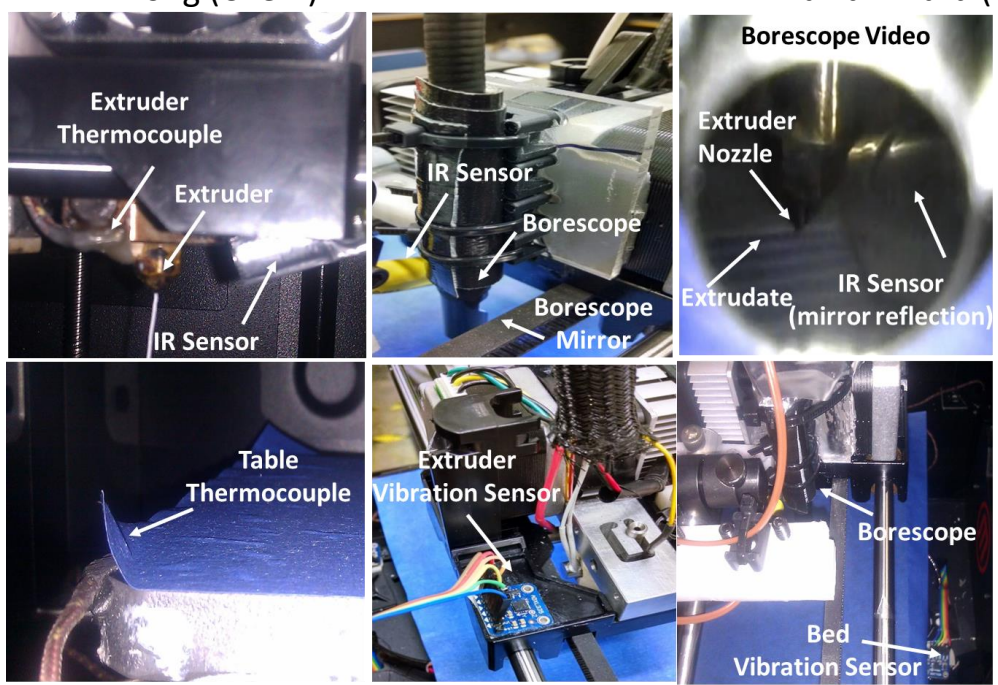


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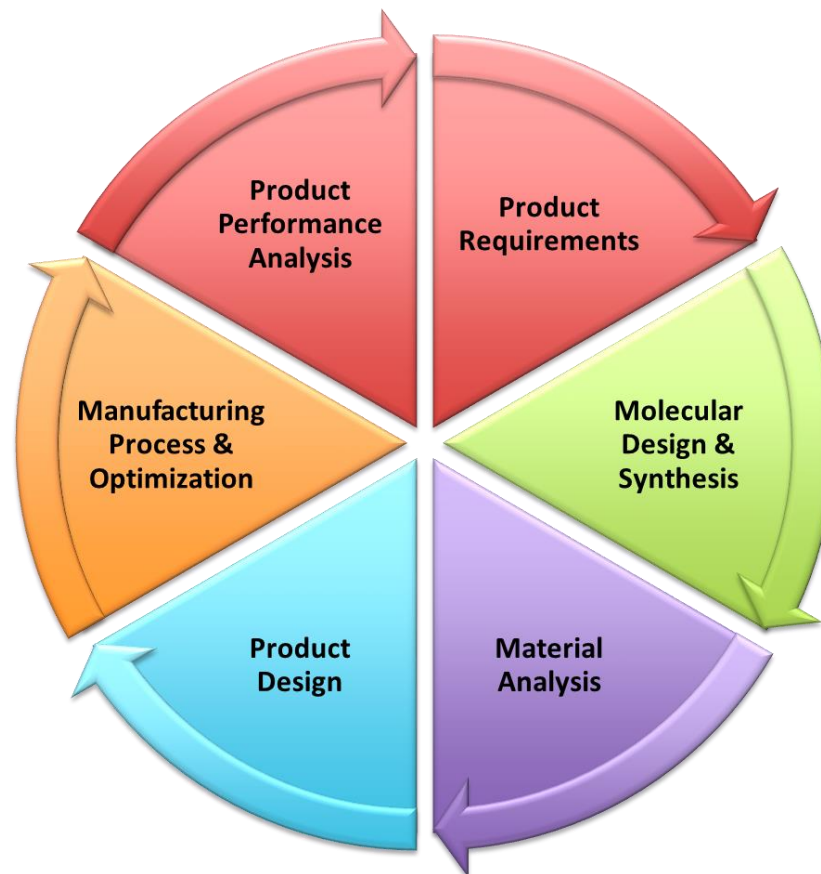


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Rao, Liu, Roberson, Kong & Williams, *ASME Trans Journal of Manufacturing Science and Engineering* , 2015

From Molecules to Manufacturing



Opportunity to realize breakthrough products via **concurrent design** of **polymer chemistry**, **part geometry**, and **manufacturing process**.



To achieve this goal, we need ...

➤ **Pre-process measurements**

- Materials screening methodologies
- What makes a material printable?
- Map characterization of raw material to process parameters

➤ **In-situ process measurements**

- Process-structure-property relationships
- How do process parameters affect the printed material?
- What is the quality of the printing part's shape & composition?

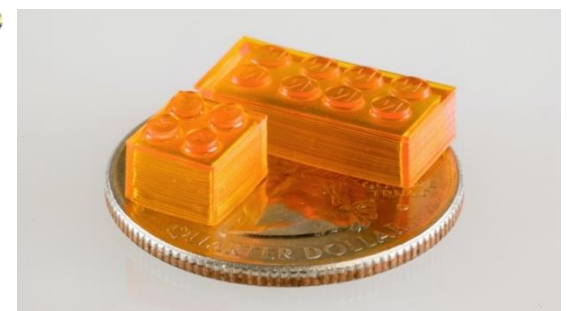
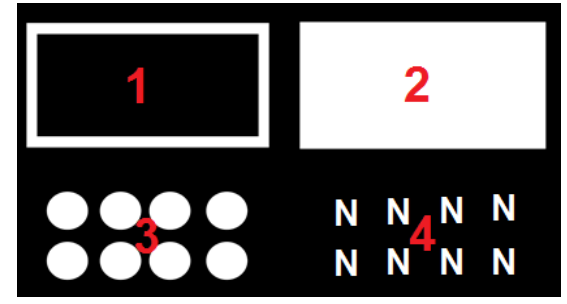
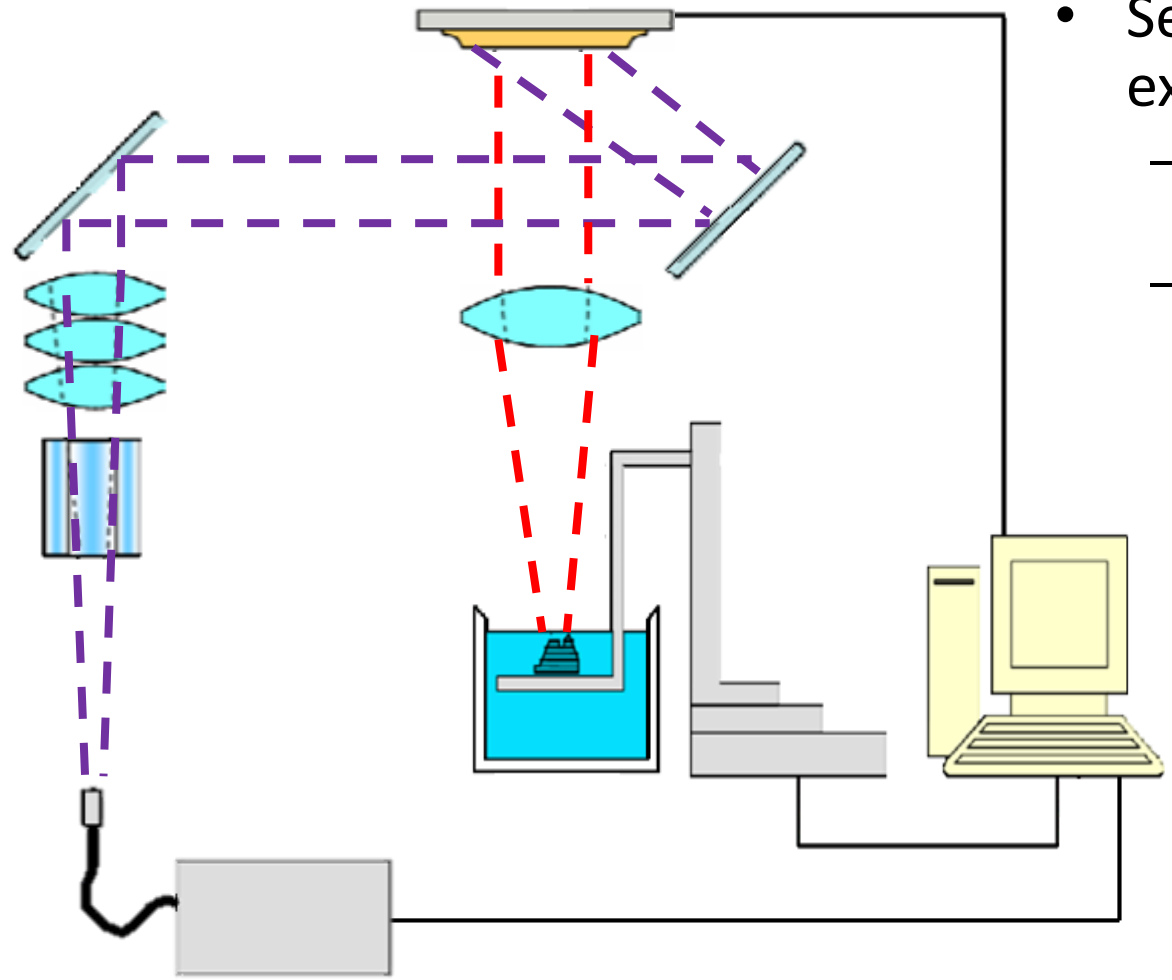
➤ **Post-process measurements**

- Validate quality of final part shape and material
- What are the properties of the printed part?

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Projection Stereolithography

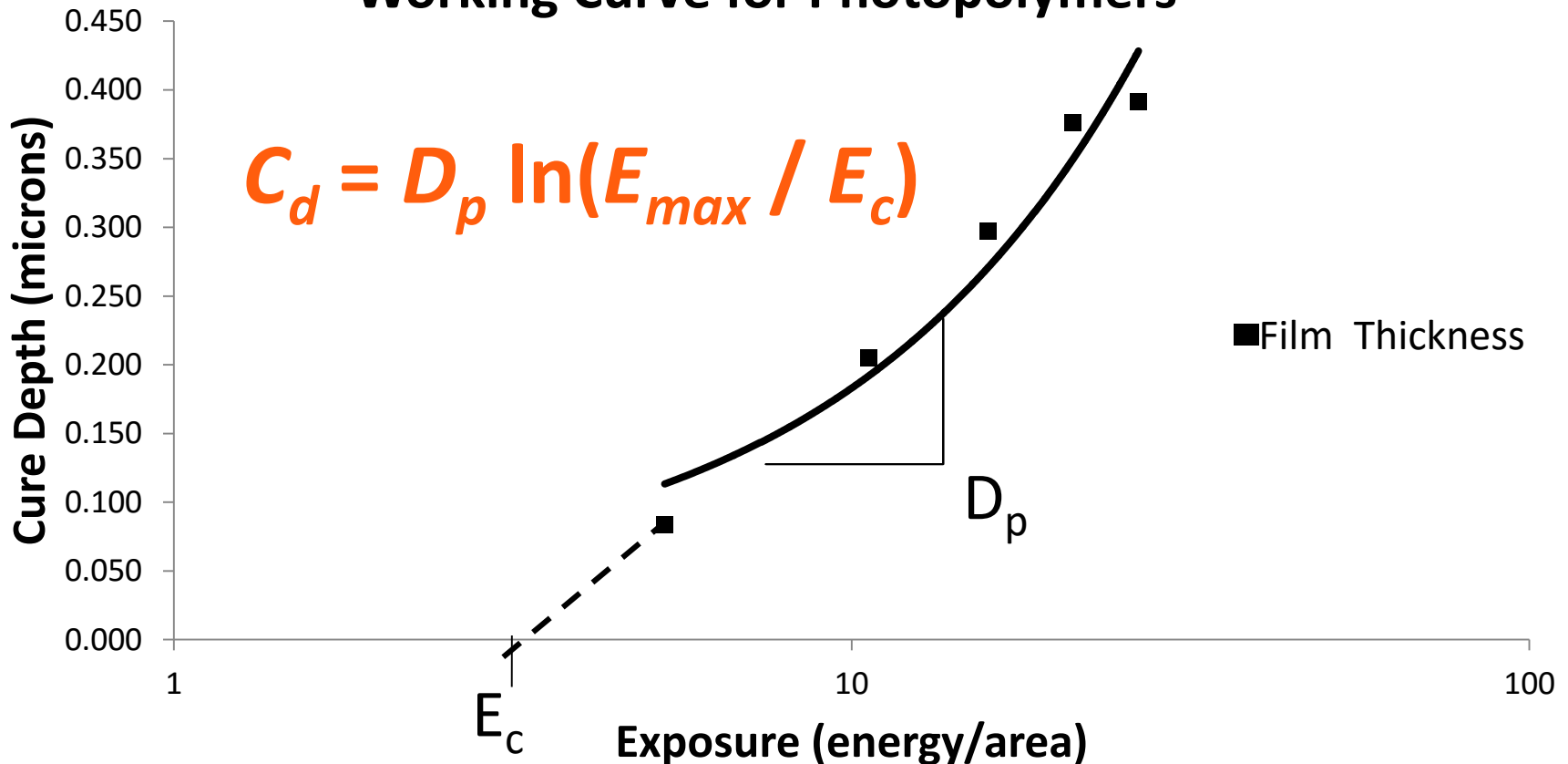
- Selective UV light exposure via DMD
 - White areas are exposed to UV light and cured
 - Black areas remain uncured liquid resin



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Relating Material Properties to Process Parameters

Working Curve for Photopolymers

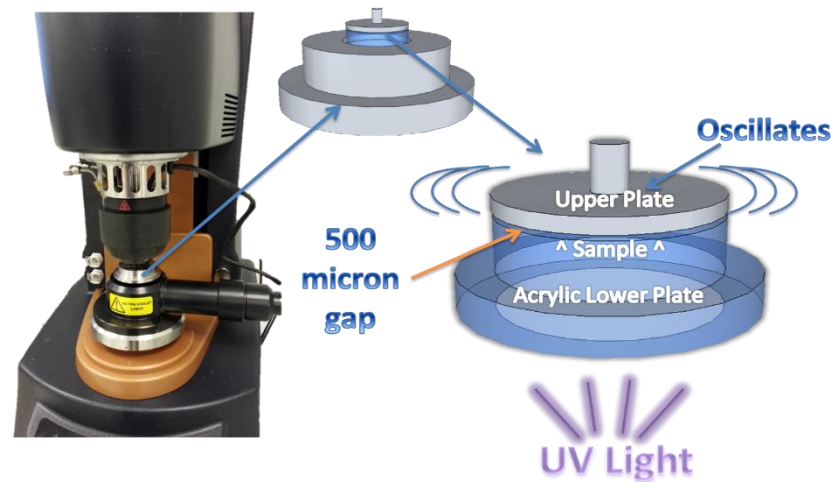


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A photocuring accessory offers rheological characterization of UV-curable polymers

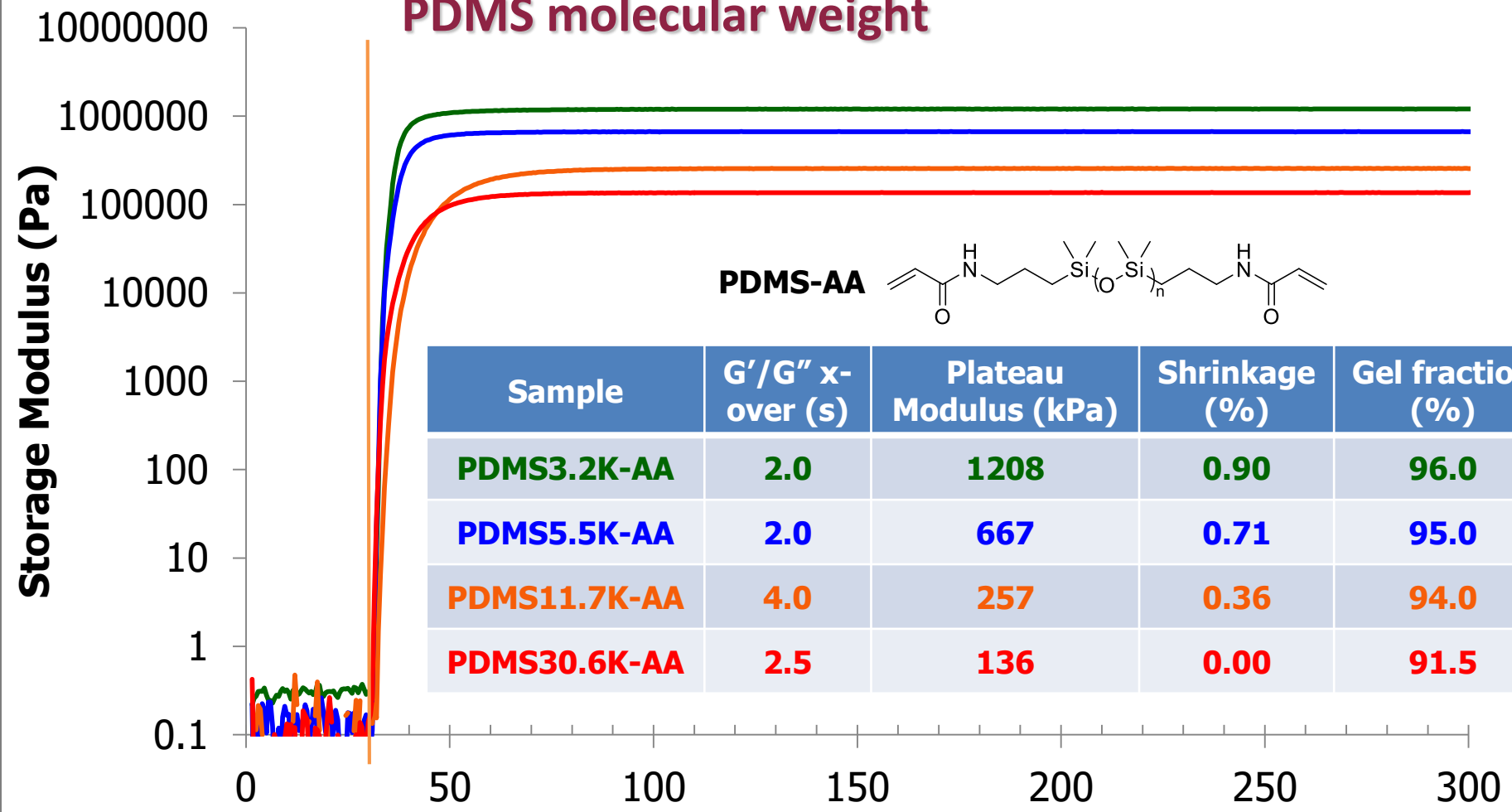
UV Curing Accessory

- ❖ High-pressure mercury light source for UV radiation
- ❖ UV wavelengths in the range of 320 to 500 nm
- ❖ UV-curing accessory with light guide, reflecting mirror assembly, and collimator



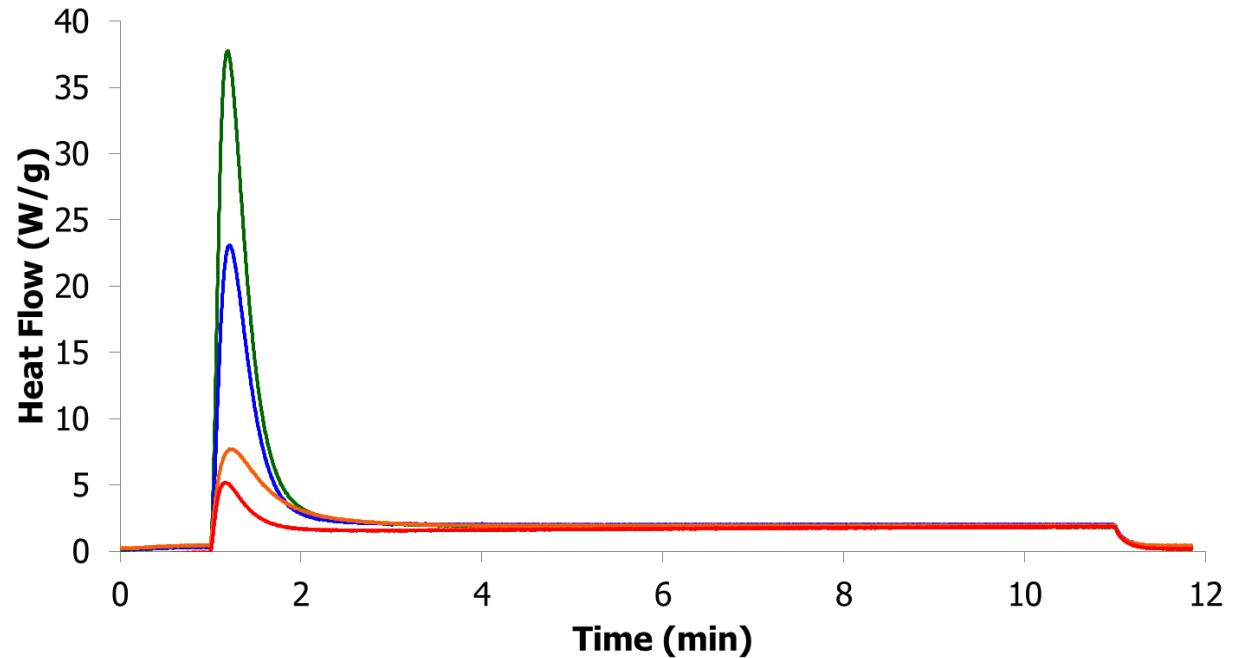
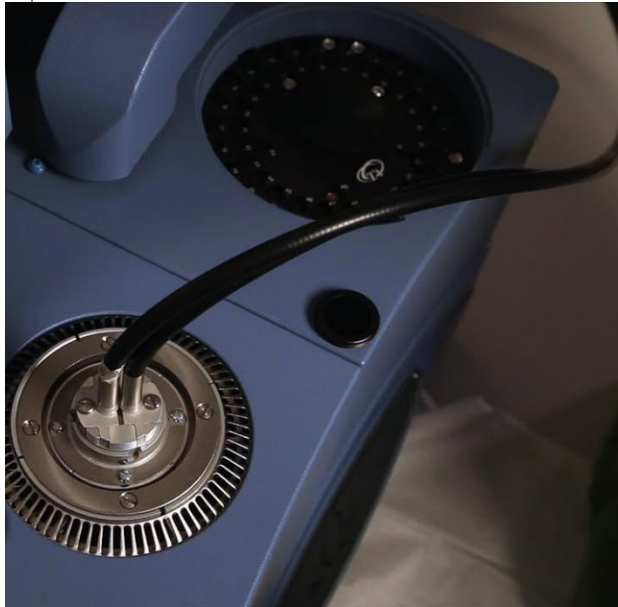
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Photorheology demonstrates decreasing photocured plateau modulus with increasing PDMS molecular weight



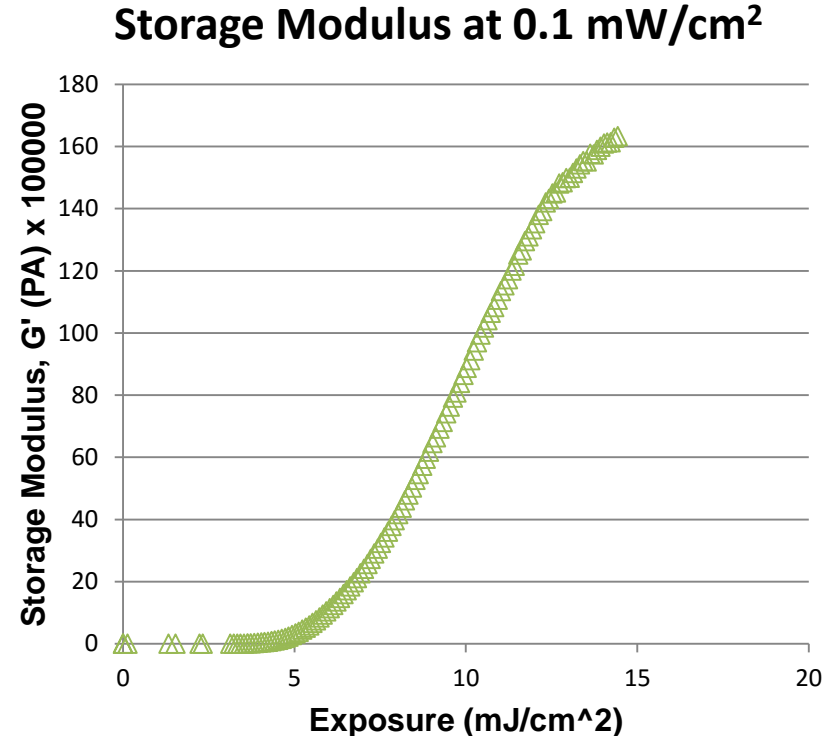
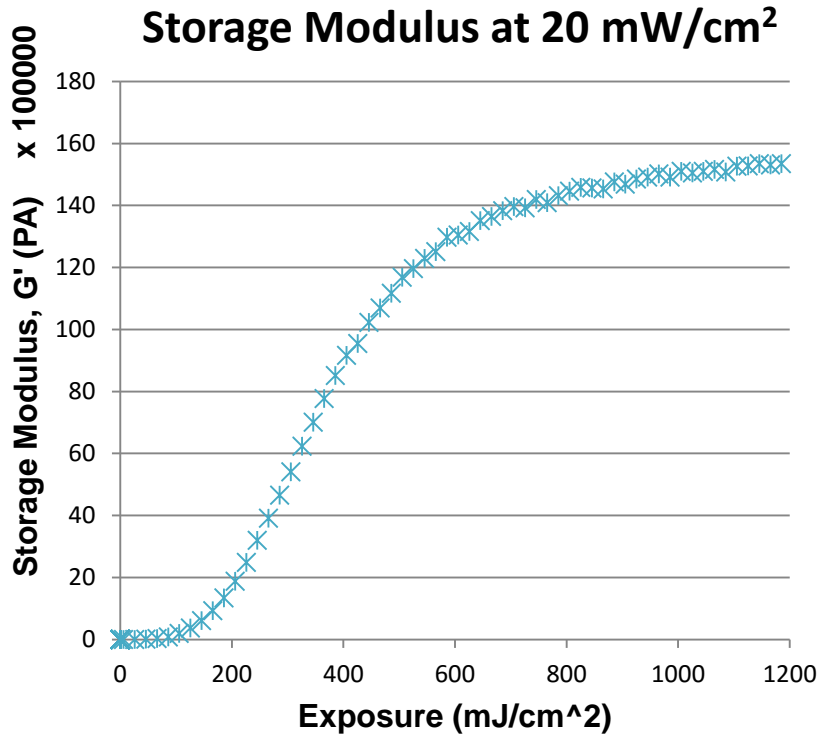
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A photocuring accessory offers calorimetric characterization of UV-curable polymers



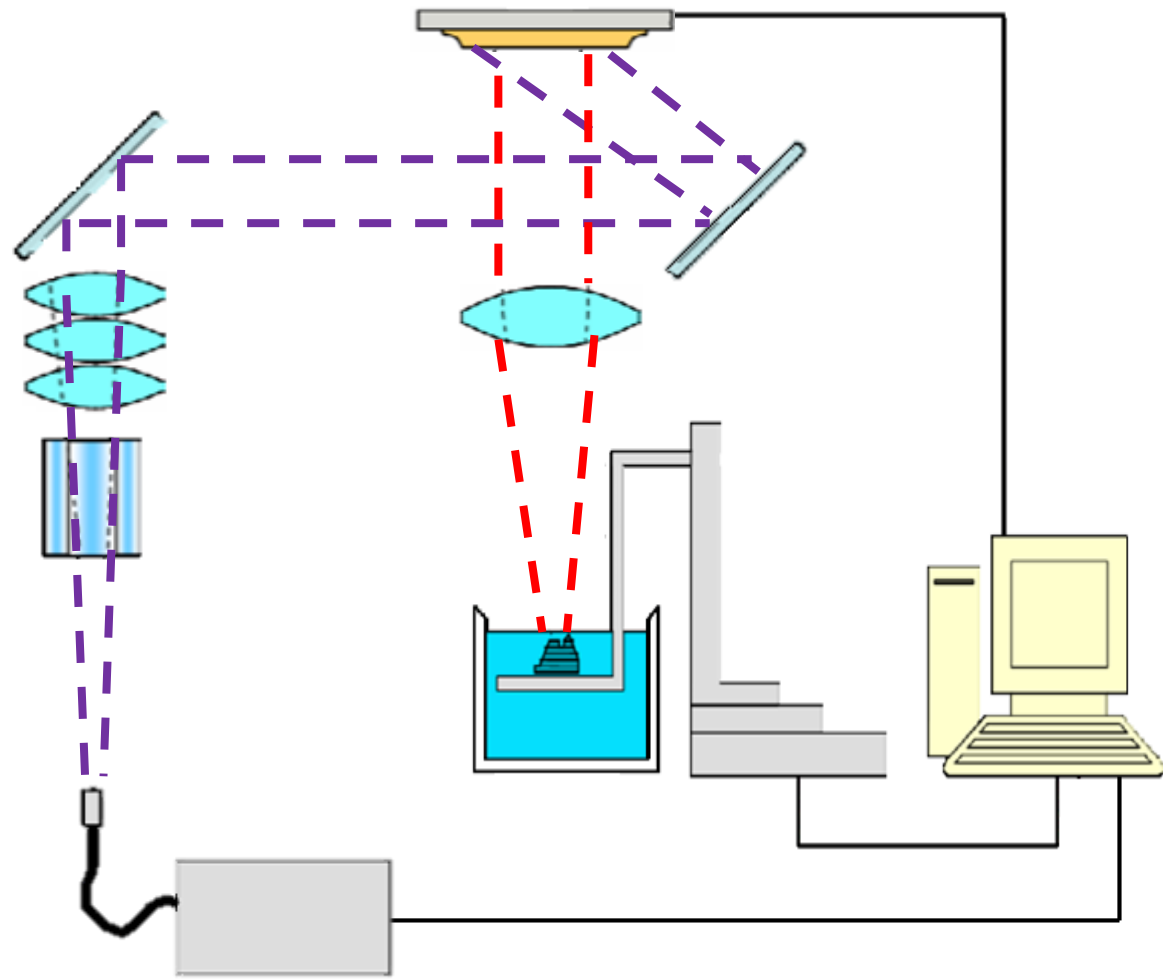
Q_A for acrylate homopolymerization = 86.0 kJ/mol
TA Q2000 DSC with photocuring accessory, 25 °C, N_2 , $n = 3$
2 wt % DMPA, 5.0 mW/cm², light on at 1 min, off at 11 min

Critical Exposure & Intensity



- Photorheometry was used to compare critical exposures of polymer (with 2wt% QDs) cured at different intensities.
- Less total energy is needed for lower intensities

Relevant Process Variables

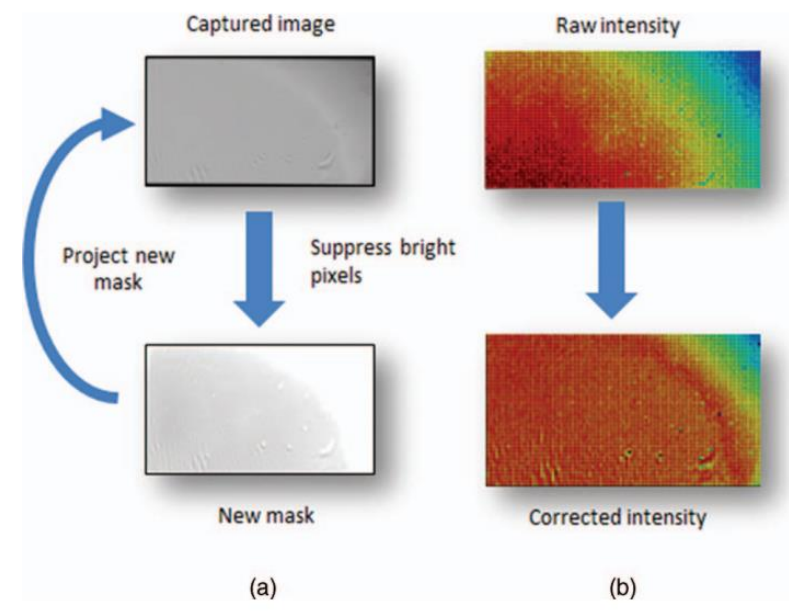
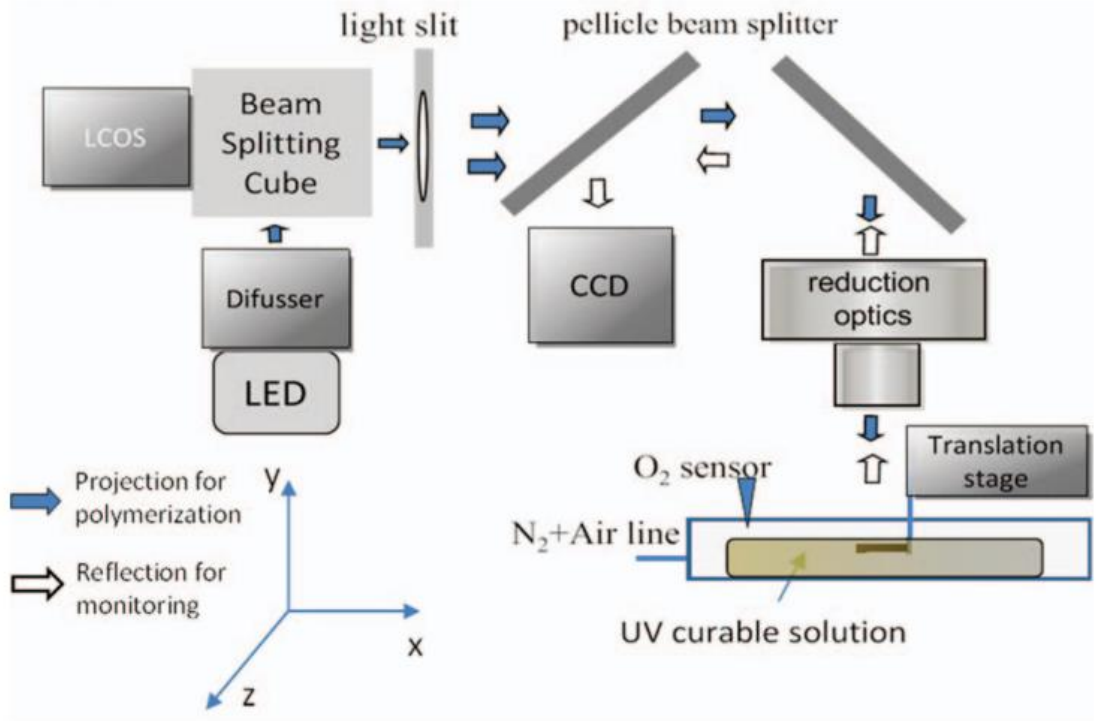


- Exposure
- Wavelength
- Intensity
- Oxygen
- Temperature
- Humidity
- Material composition
 - Photo initiator
 - Photo absorber
 - Fillers
 - Age

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In-situ Measurements for Photopolymerization

UV Intensity Correction via CCD

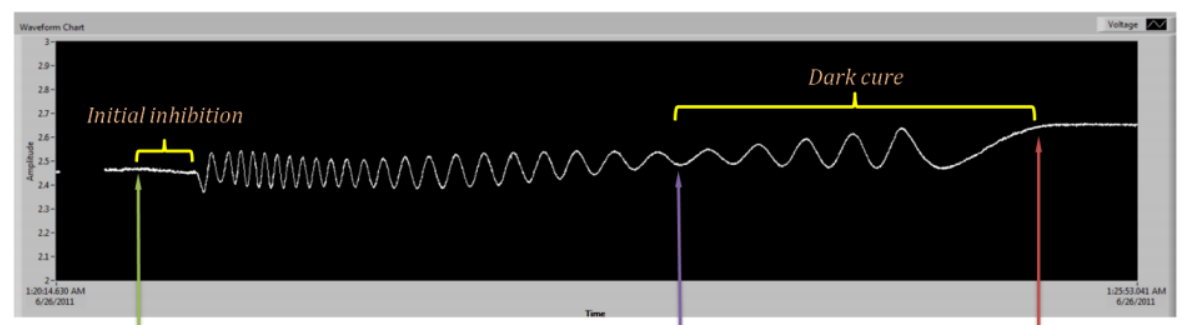
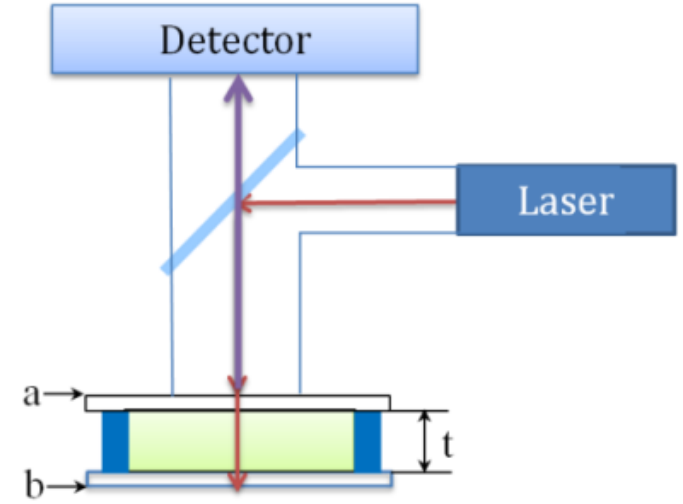
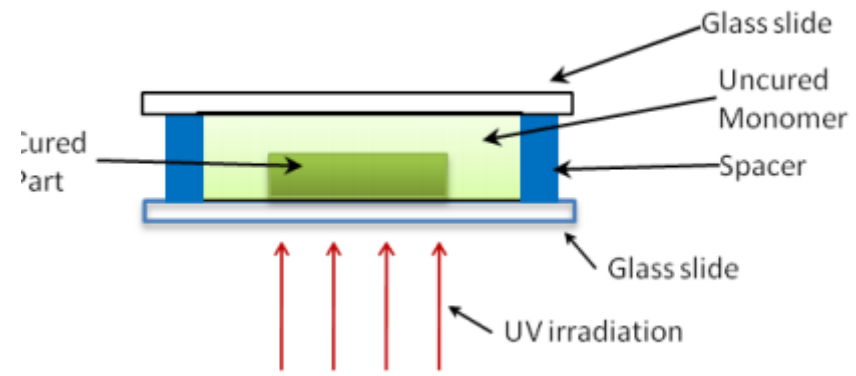


Zheng et al., *Review of Scientific Instrument*, 2012

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In-situ Measurements for Photopolymerization

In-situ Interferometry



Start of Irradiation

End of Irradiation

End of Dark Cure

Jarawala, Schwerzel, Rosen, *SFF*, 2011
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In-situ Measurements for Photopolymerization

In-situ Interferometry + Closed Loop Control

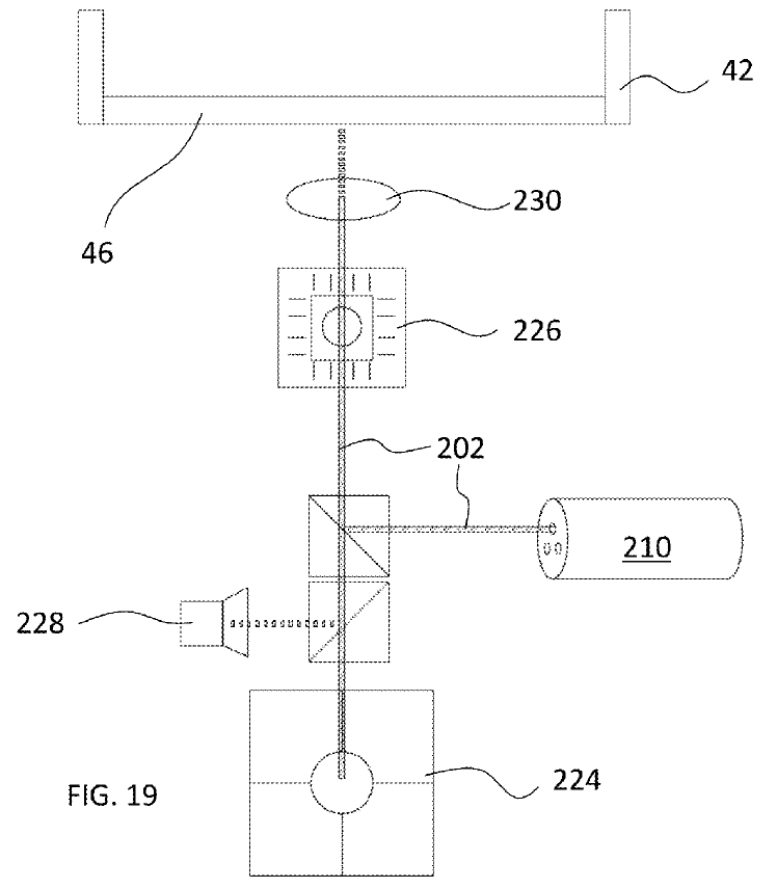
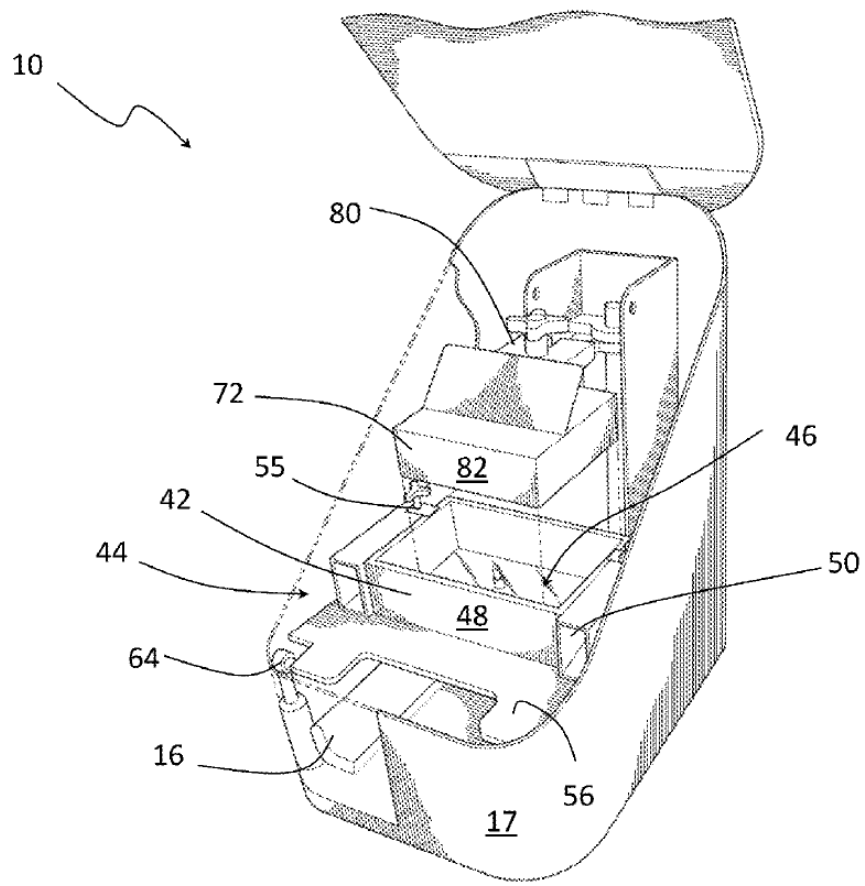
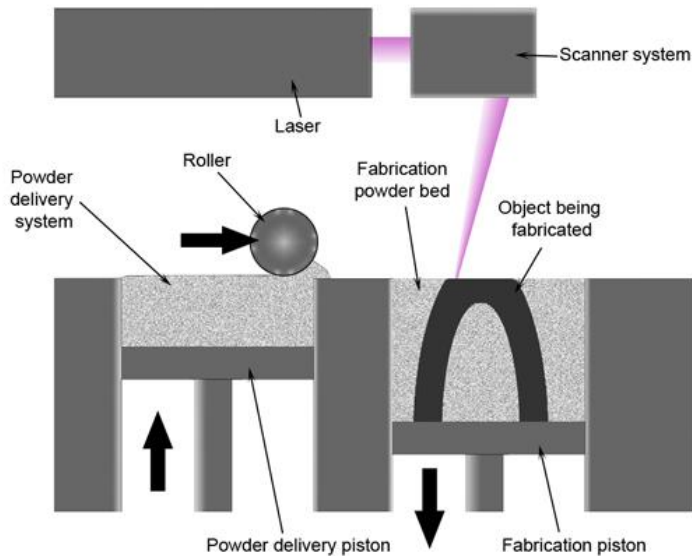
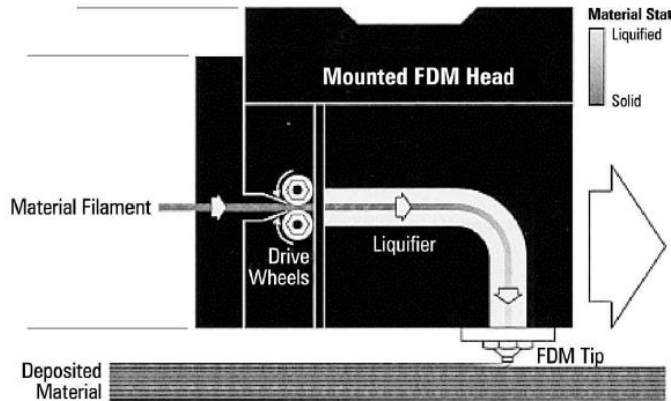


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Complexity of Polymer AM

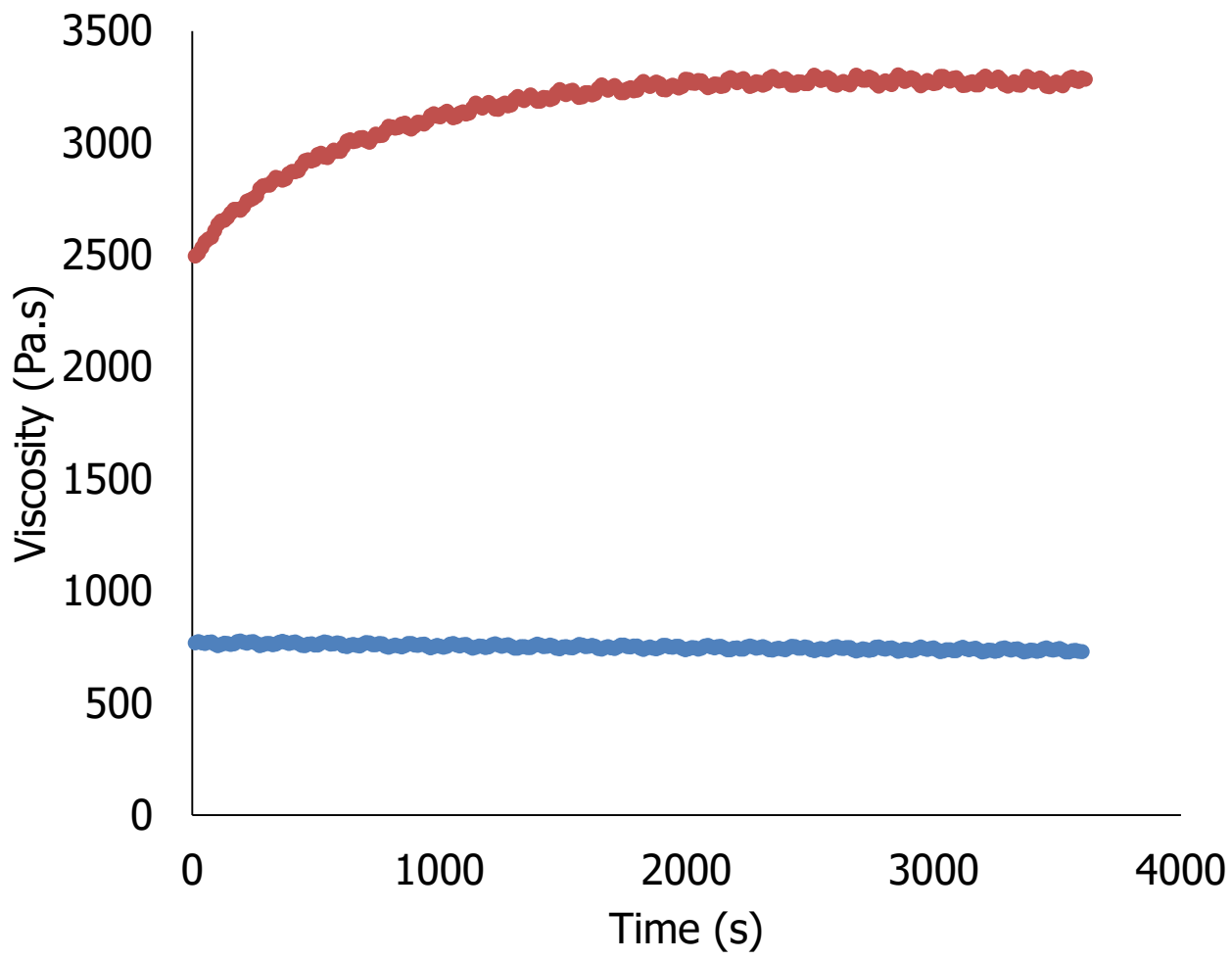
Figure 1 Fused deposition modeling process



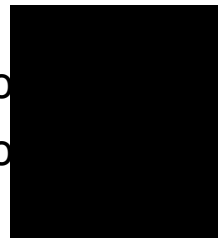
- **Material**
 - Rheology (shear & temp)
 - Stiffness
 - Degradation (recycling)
- **Environment**
 - Temperature
 - Humidity
 - Heat transfer
- **Print**
 - Melt temperature
 - Shear
 - Toolpath
- **Part**
 - Heat transfer from shape & toolpath
 - Location

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Rheology can be affected by thermal history, humidity, time



- poly(PEG8k-co-...)
- poly(PEG8k-co-...)

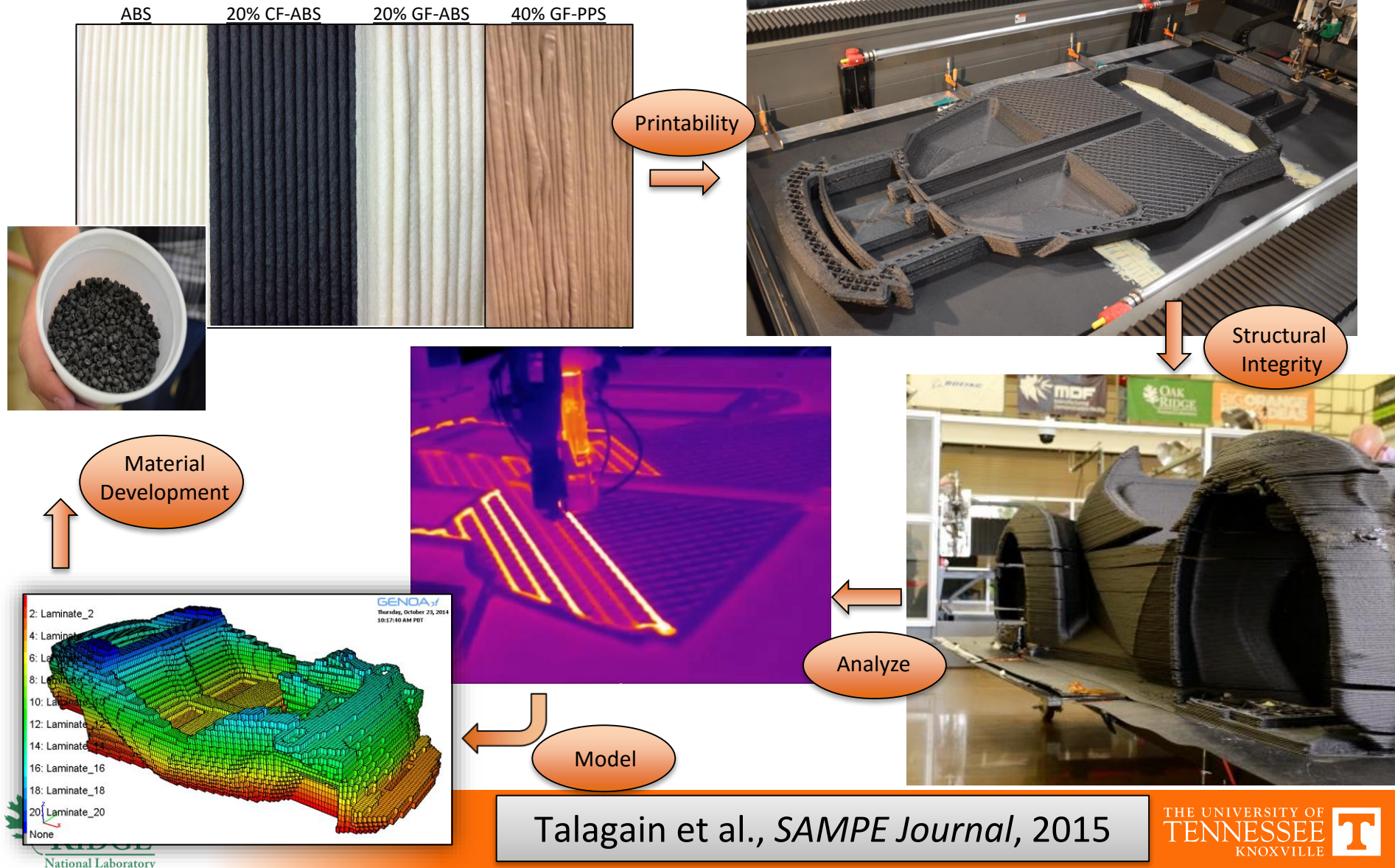


Ares G2 rheometer, 1 % strain, 1 rad/s, Na: 77 °C, Ca: 120 °C

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Process & Materials

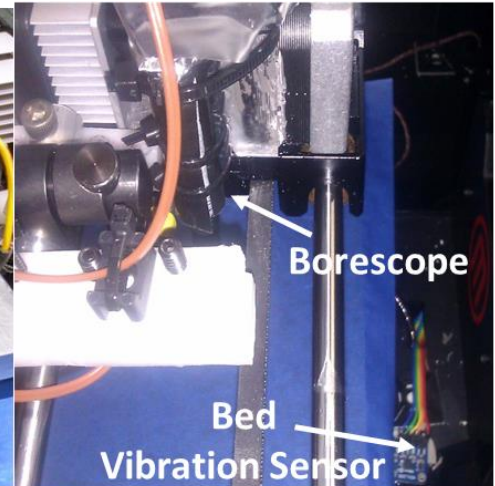
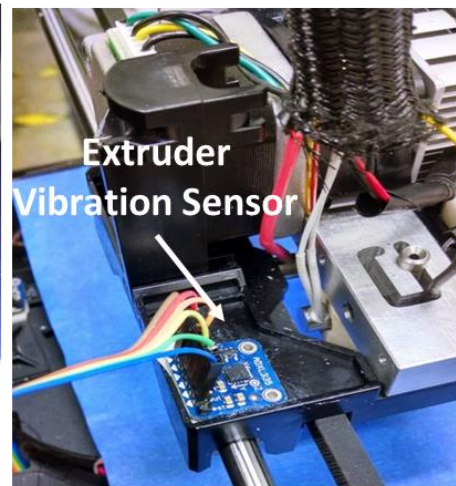
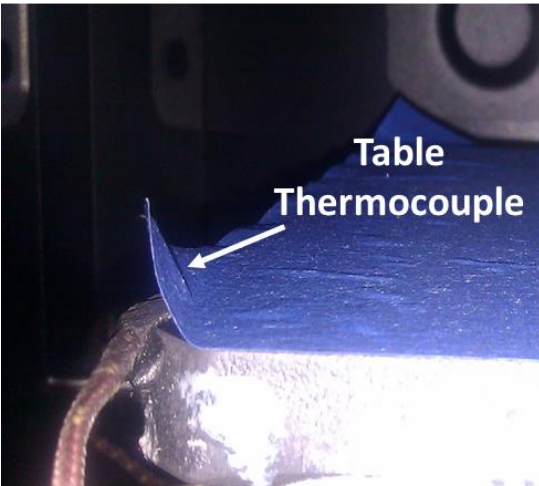
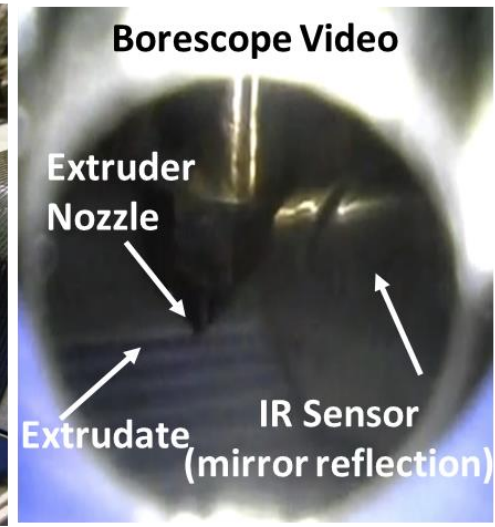
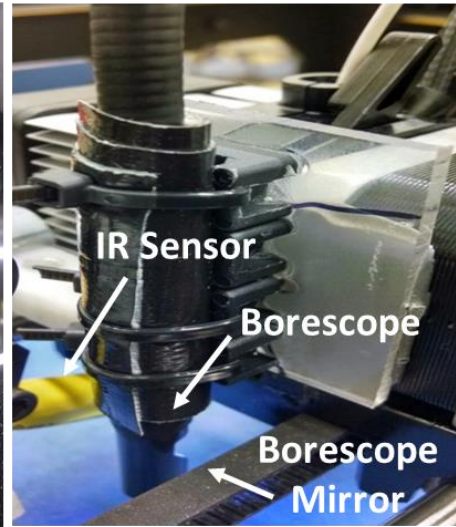
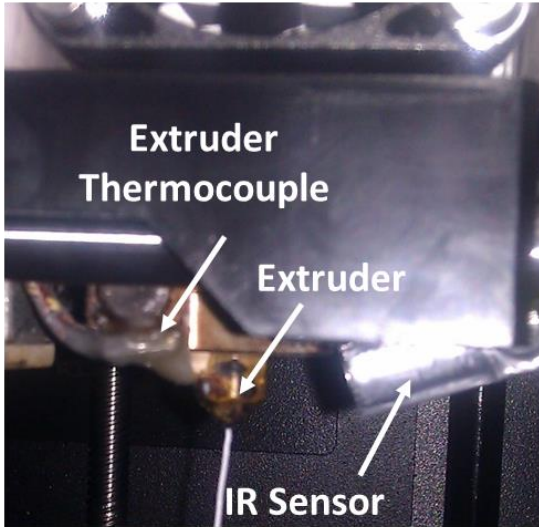
Big Area Additive Manufacturing



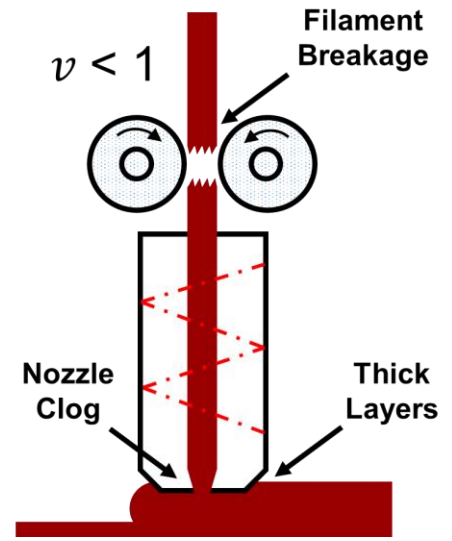
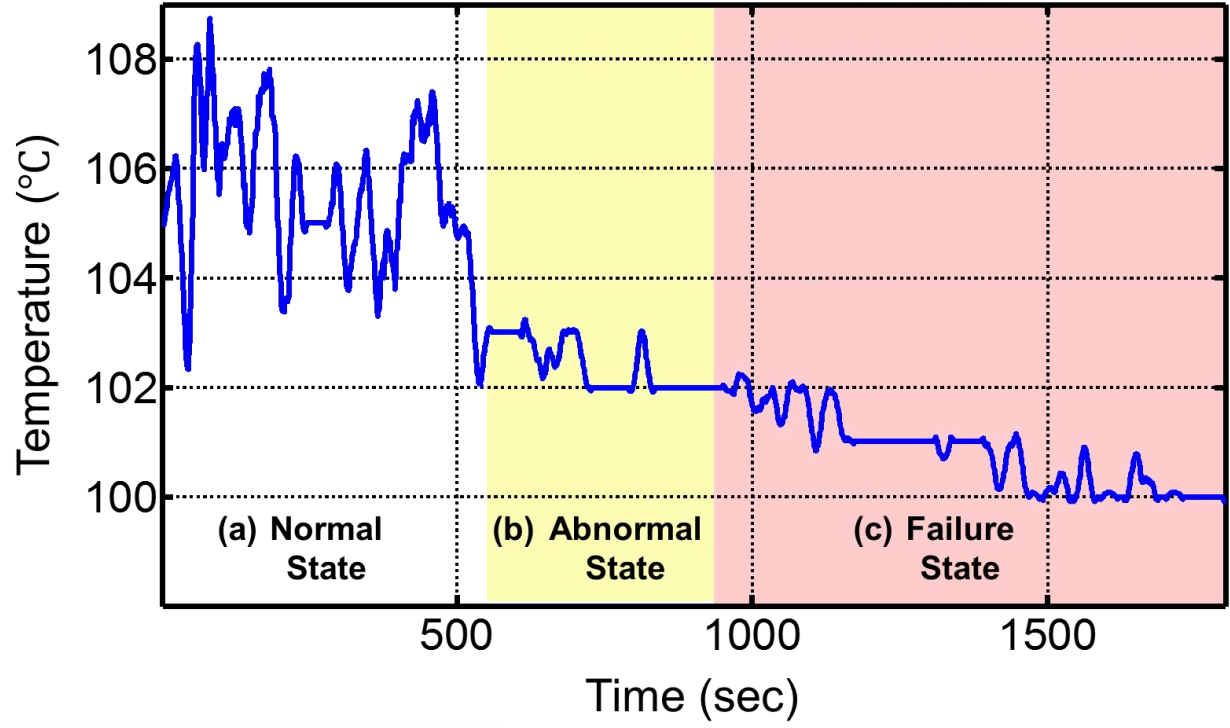
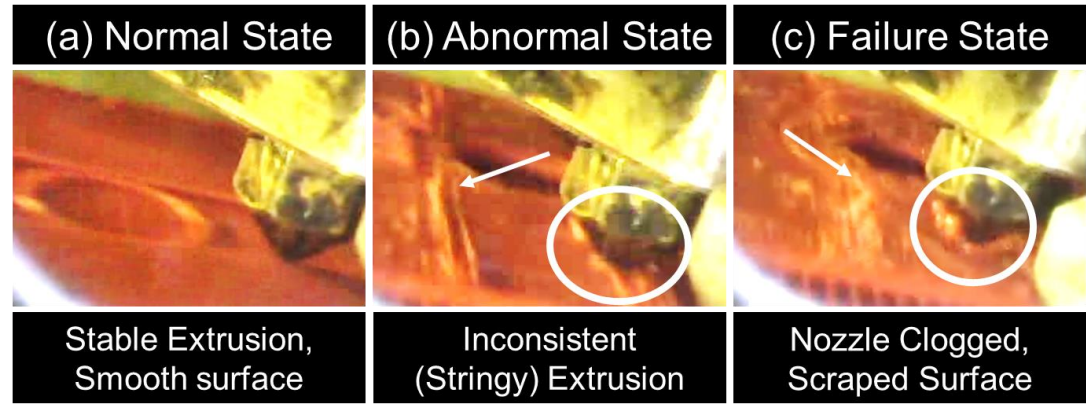
Heterogeneous Sensing + Data Fusion

13 sensors are installed on the machine.

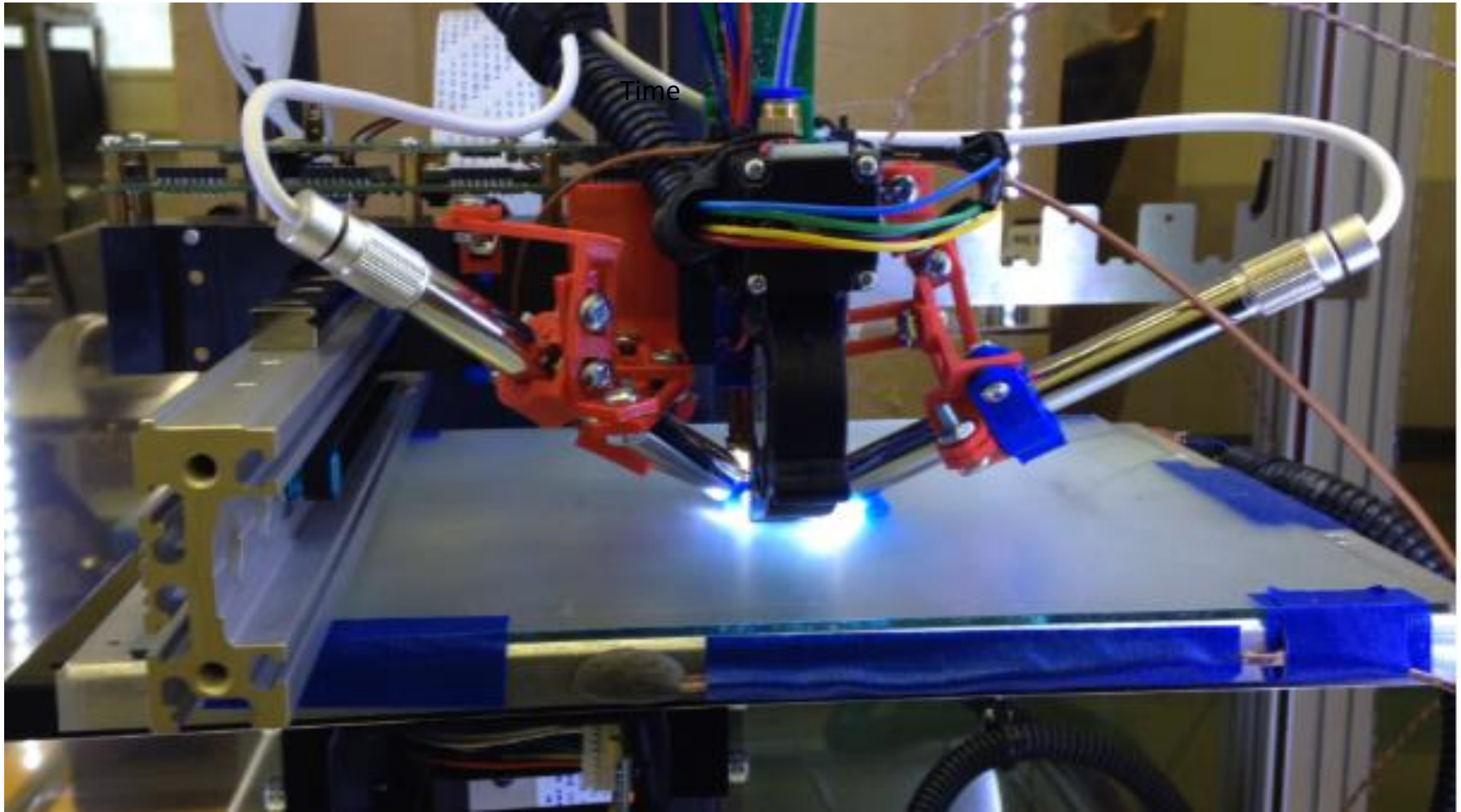
Which are useful? Can we use all of them? Or should we use a few of them?



Monitoring Extruder Temperature

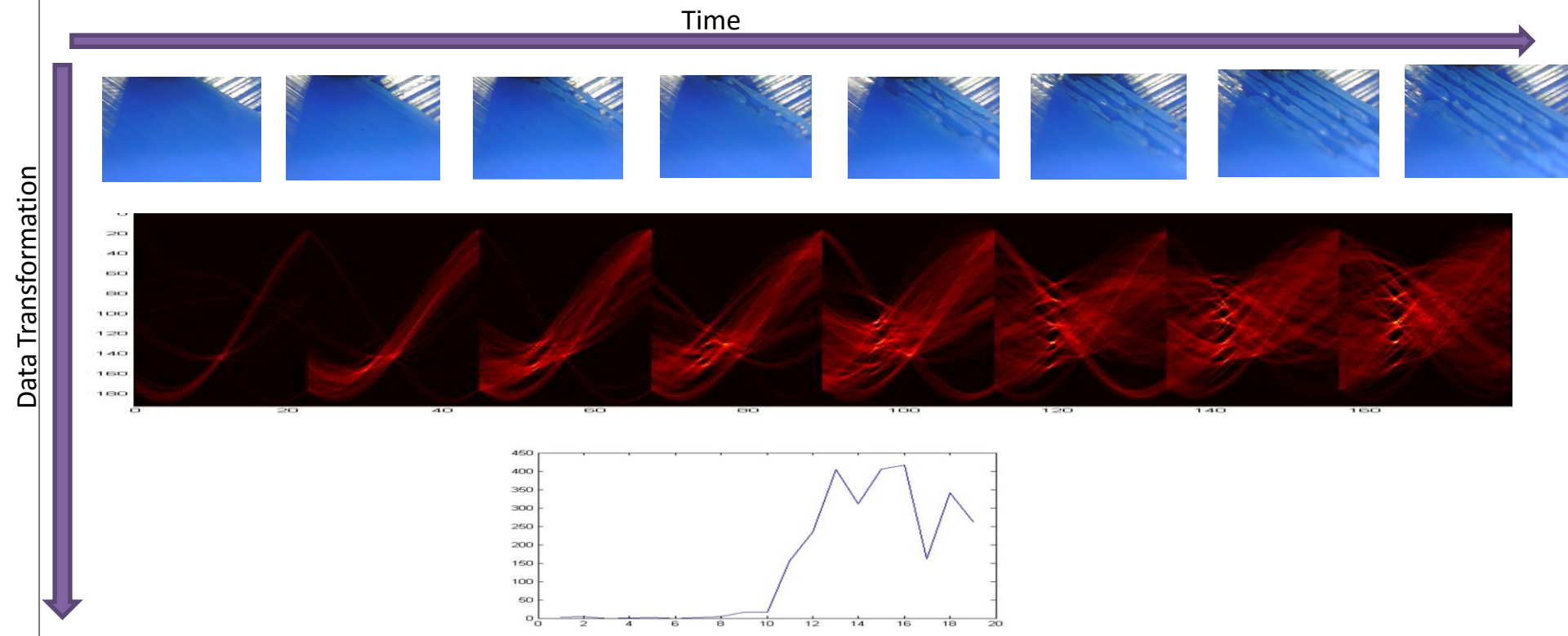


Monitoring Video



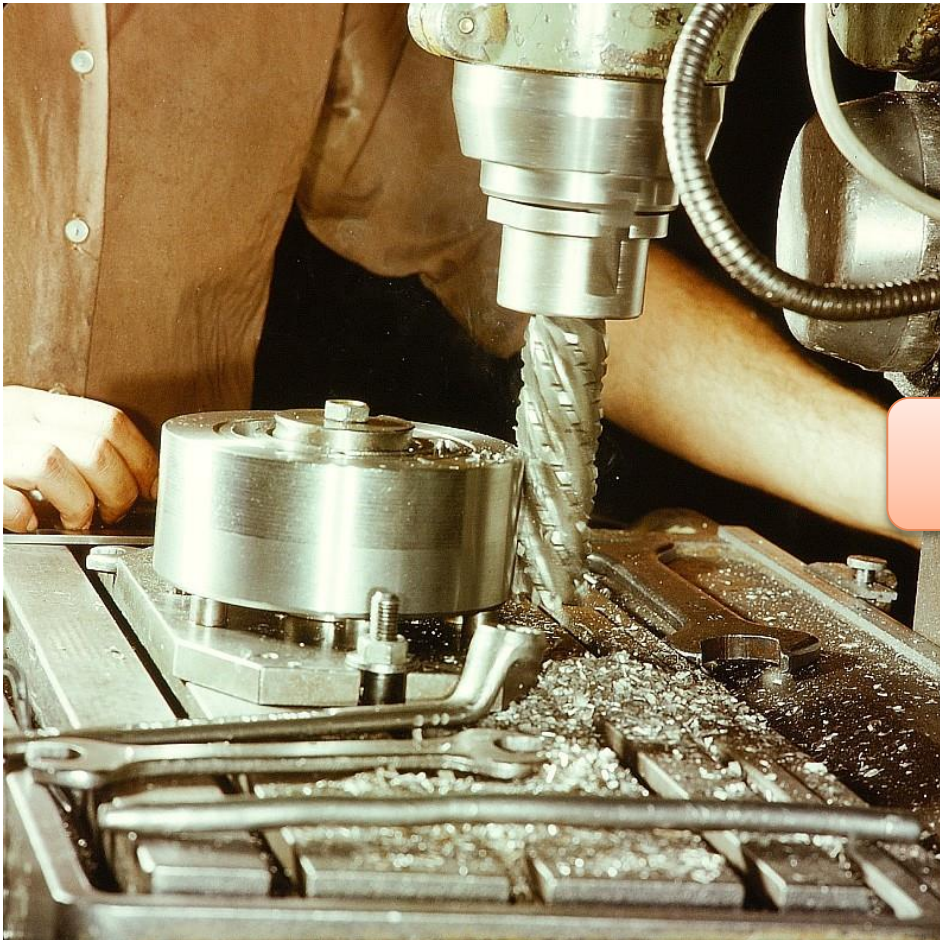
Digital Microscope based Machine Vision System

Monitoring Video

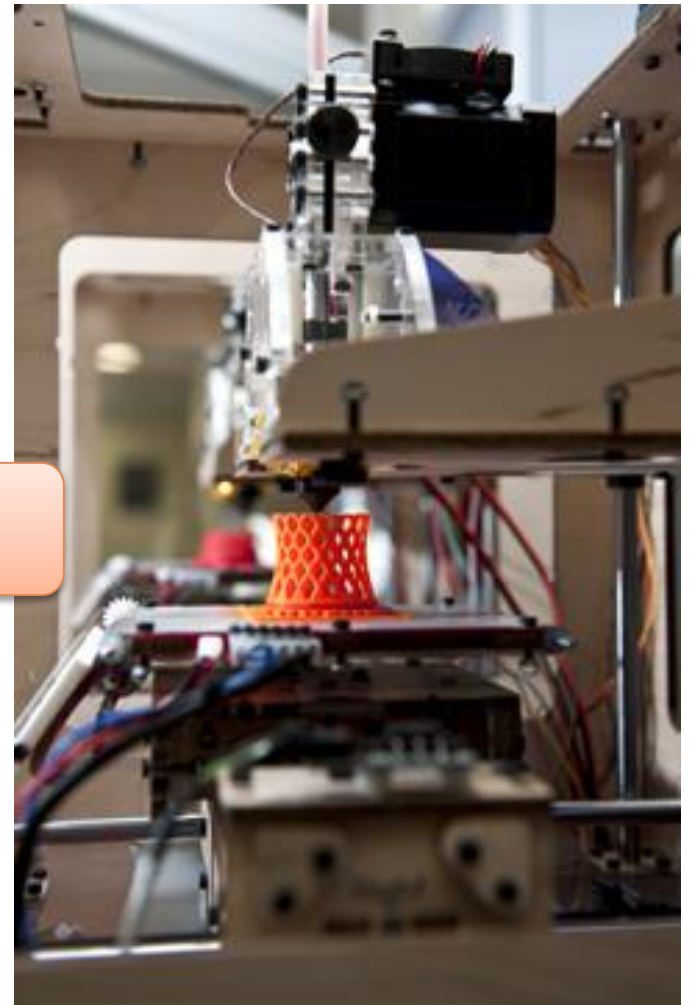


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Looking ahead...



vs.



AM enables a designer to specify material location and material properties on a voxel-by-voxel basis.

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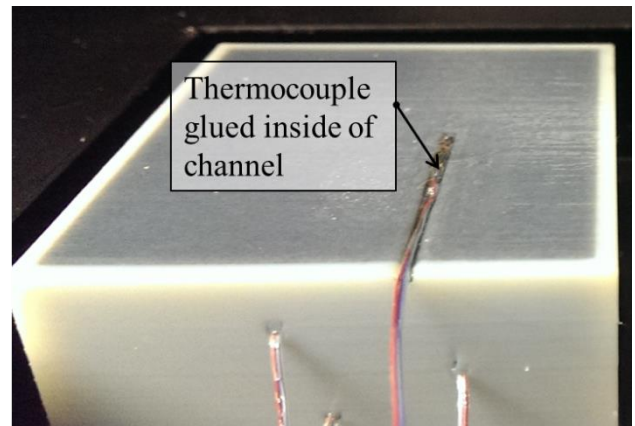
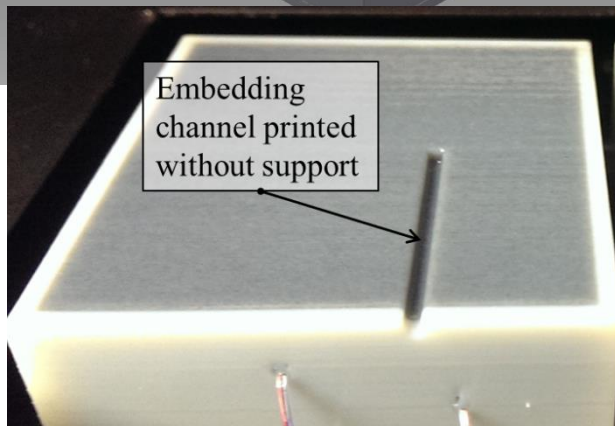
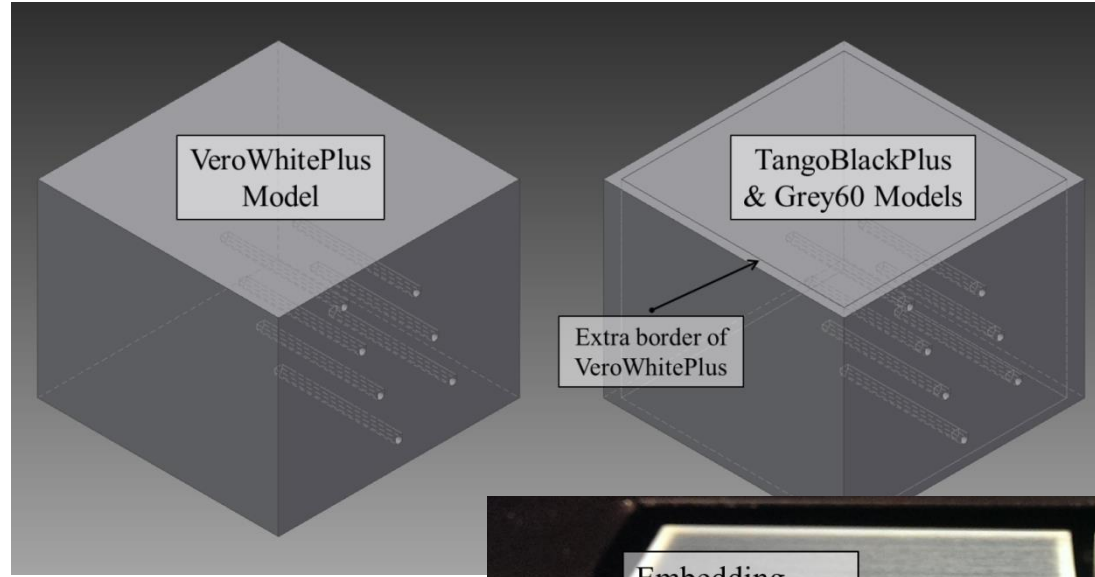
General AM Embedding Process

1. Design channels
2. Pause build (& remove support)
3. Embed component
4. Anchor component
5. Resume build



Embedded Thermocouples

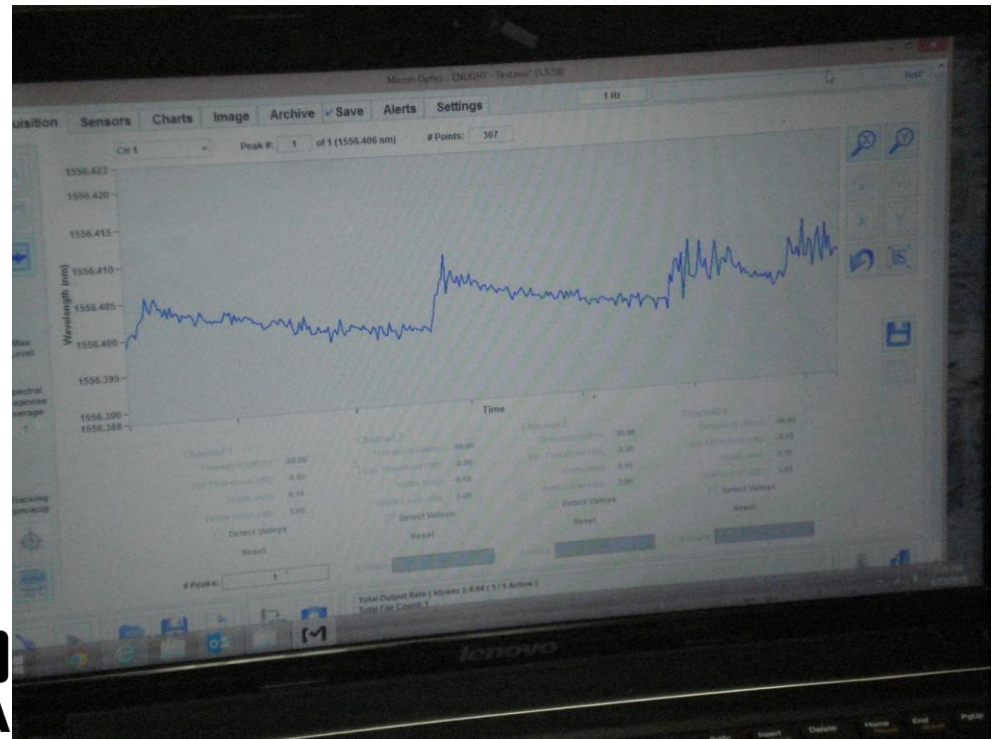
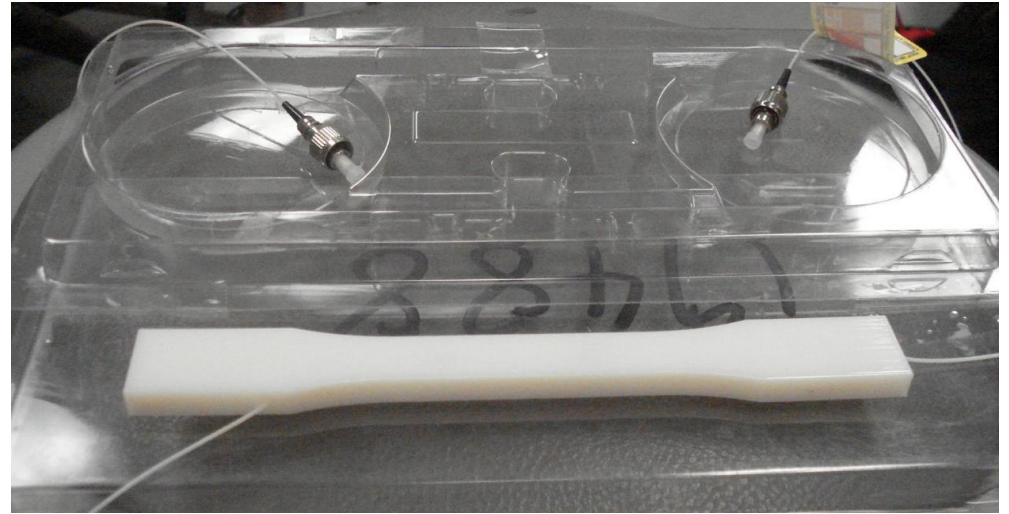
CAD models - channels for thermocouples



Thermocouples embedded during build process


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Embedded Fiber Sensor



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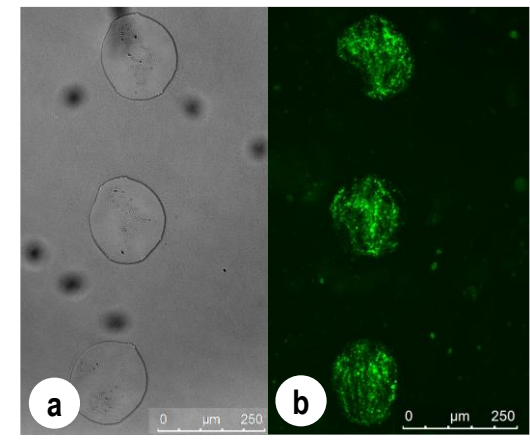
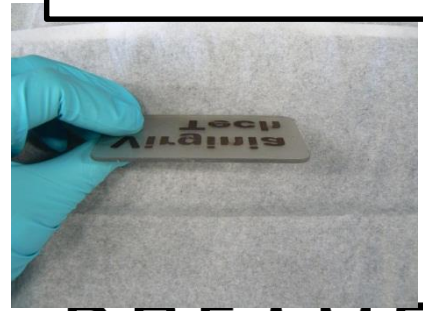
Material as a Sensor: Jettable Quantum Dot Photopolymer



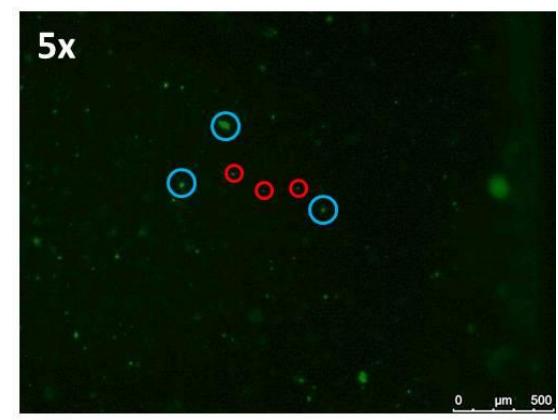
Visible Light

365nm ultraviolet (UV) Light

Each polymer card is 5.0cm x 9.0cm x 1.8mm

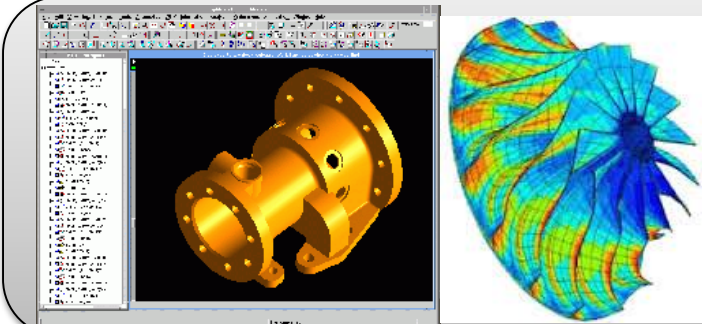


Images of jetted QD Nanoink in (a) visible and (b) UV light



Fluorescent microscope images of QD nanoparticles in 3D Printed part.

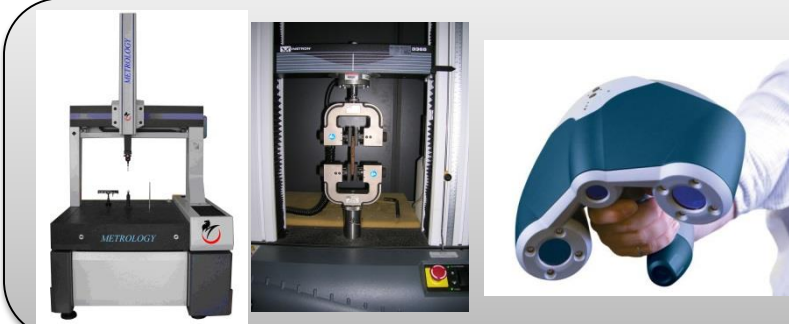
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**Design & PLM**

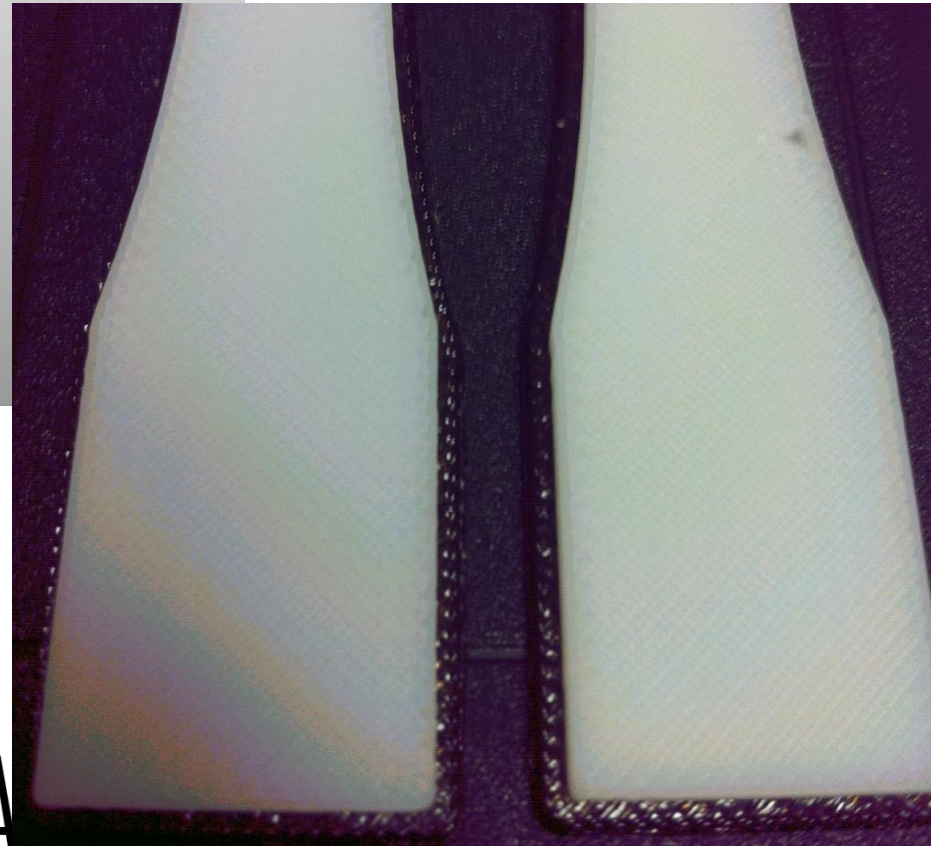
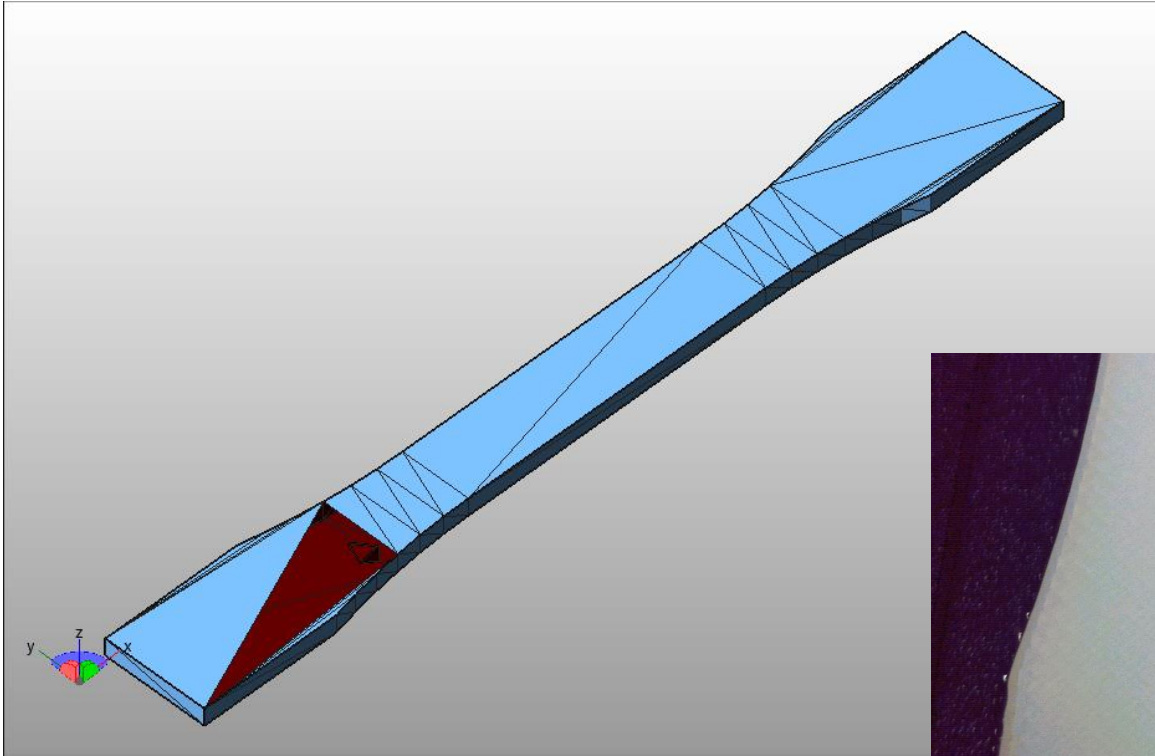


**File Transfer**

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**Quality Control**

STL as an Attack Vector

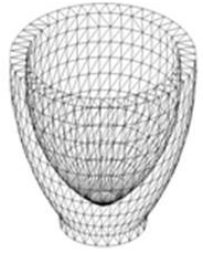


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Security of Quality Control



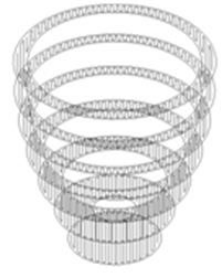
3D Cad Model



.STL File



Slicing Software



Layer Slices & Tool Path



3D Printer



3D Object



Quality Control

- **Replace / modify firmware**
- **Machine tampering / modification**
- **Alter recorded data sets**

(Wells & Camelio)

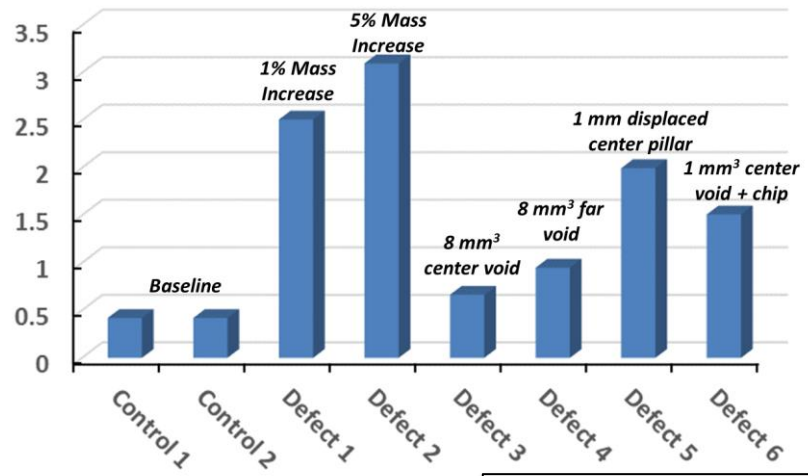
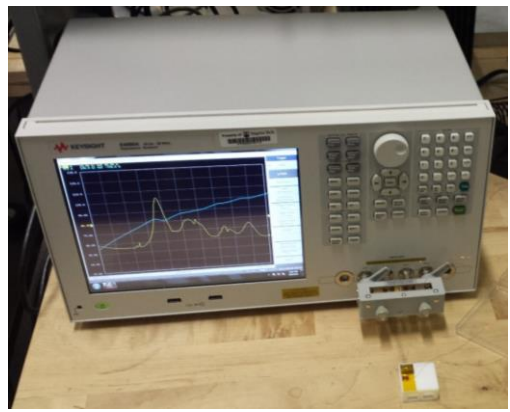
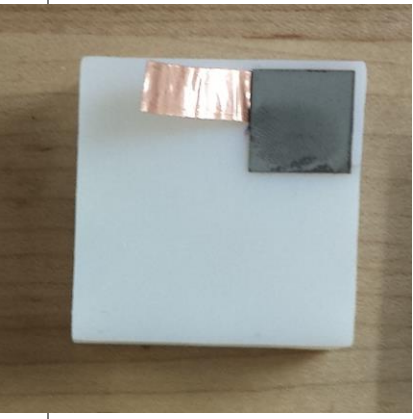
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We must consider the cyber security of our in-situ measurements.

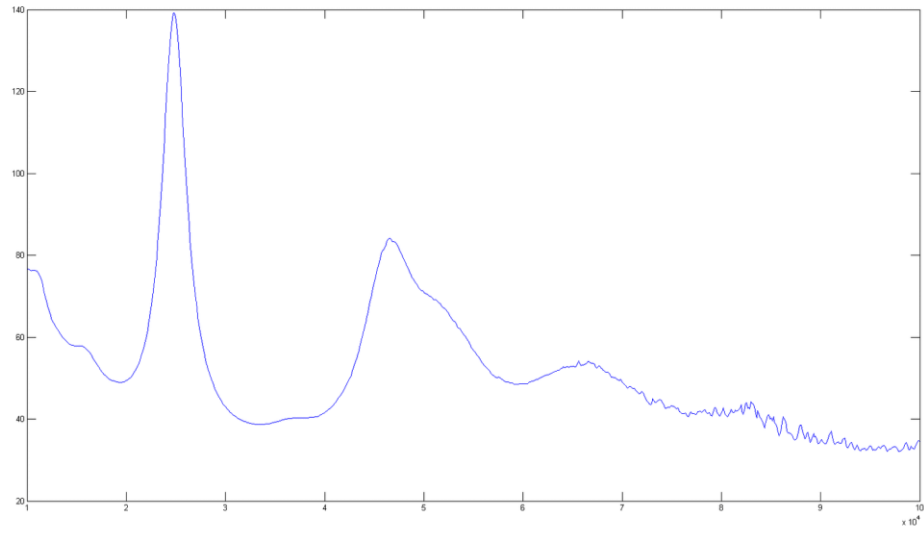
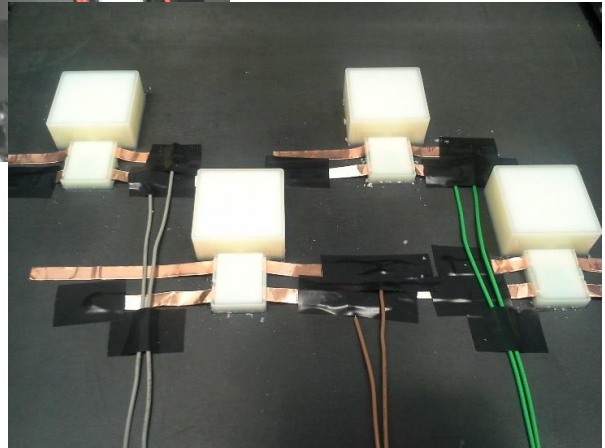
Side channel measurements are as important as closed-loop control.

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In-Situ Impedance-based Monitoring

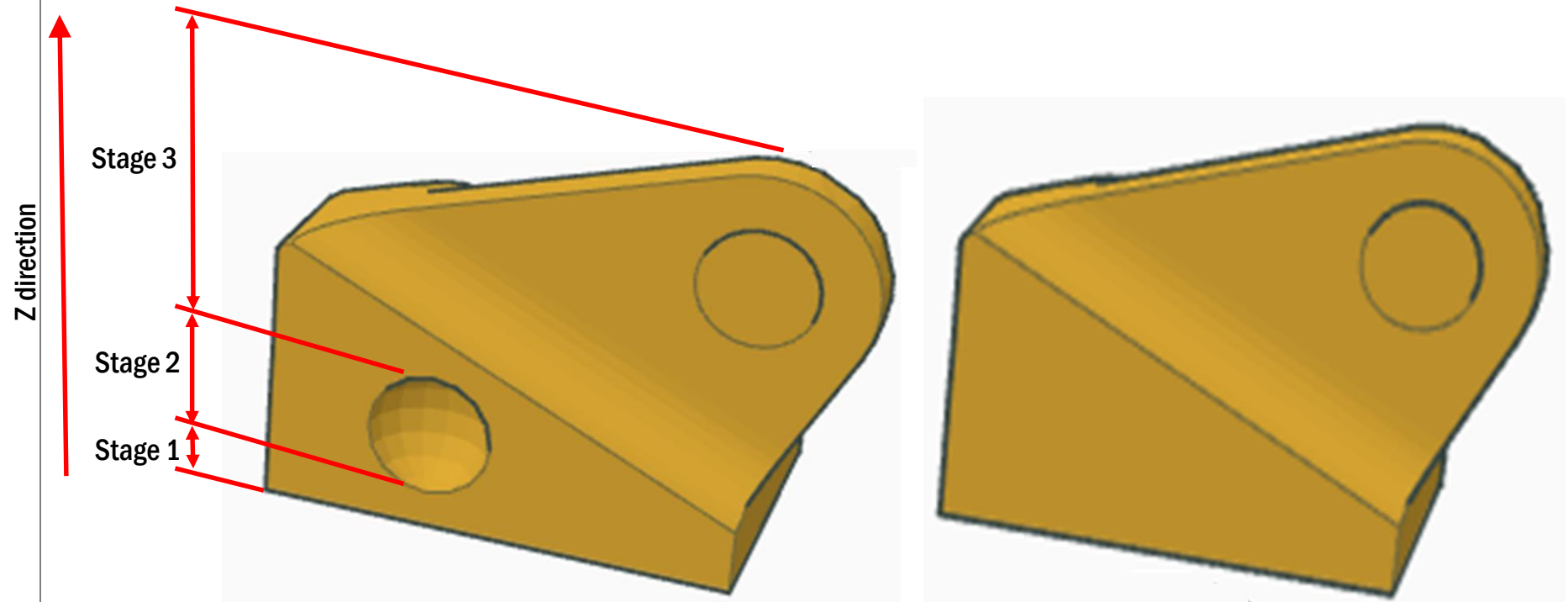


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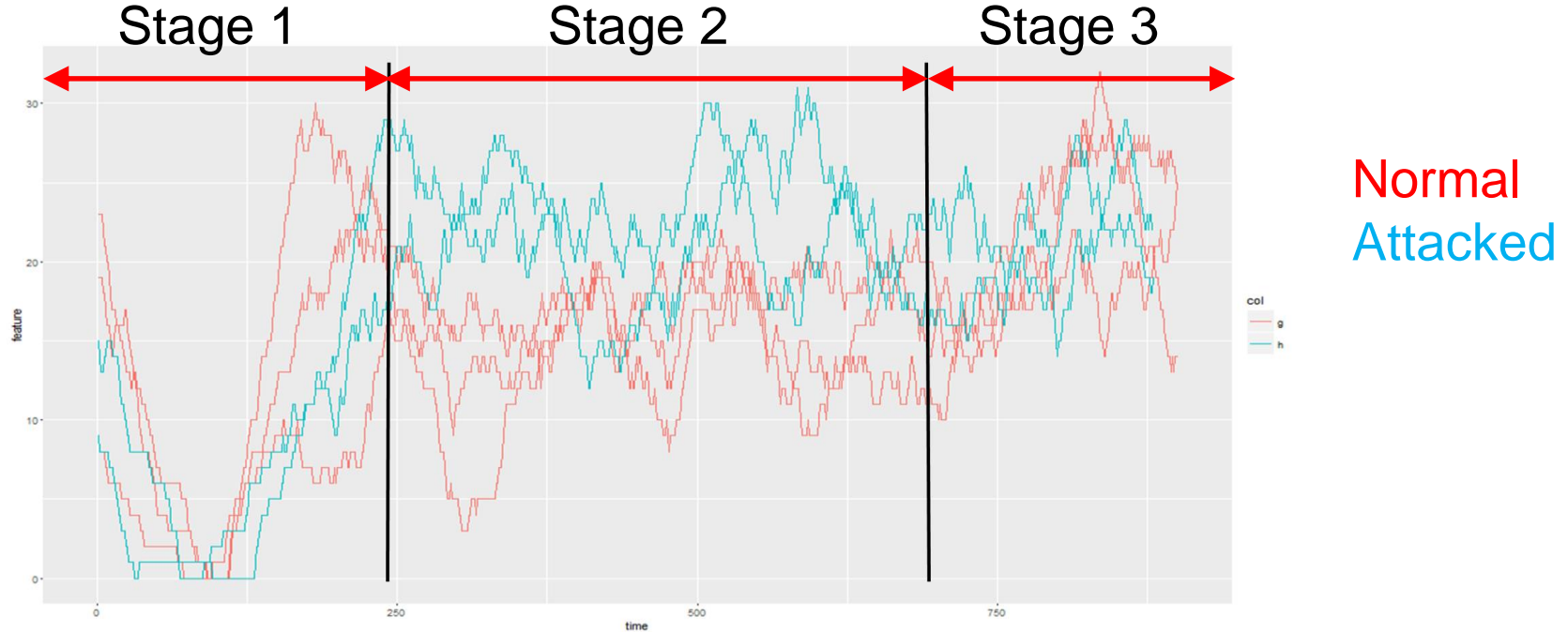
Online Side Channel Measurements



Attached part (L) and normal part (R)

G codes are different in stage 2; but the same in stages (1) & (3)

Online Side Channel Measurements



- Accelerometer (XYZ) mounted close to extruder
- Spectral graph theory based sensor fusion
- Significant overlap of signal features between **normal** and **attacked** parts in stages (1) and (3), not separable
- Separable signal features between **normal** and **attacked** parts in stage (2)

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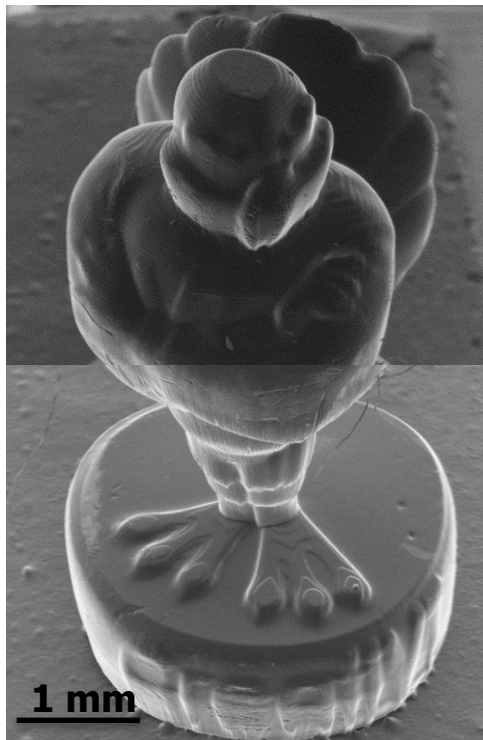
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