AM in MBE: Is It Really That Unique?

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Overview

- Advanced Manufacturing in MBE
- Disruptive Technology- AM in the Supply Chain
- Cautionary Tales- Variability in AM Processes
- Establishing Provenance with a Digital Thread
- Leveraging AM- Standards
- Understanding which Data Requirements Fit Your Needs
- AM at NIST

Advanced Manufacturing in the Model-Based Enterprise

- Desire to create any part from any process
 - Product-oriented
 - Create a robust supply chain
- Customer-
 - Provide the geometry and performance specifications
- Supplier-
 - Demonstrate requirements are met
- Desire to avoid process-specific requirements
 - Castings/forgings
 - Composites
 - Additive Manufacturing?



Additive Manufacturing is Maturing

The process of joining materials, usually layer upon layer, to make objects from 3D model data.





- AM provides rapid art-to-part capability of fabricating complex, high-value, highlycustomized parts – significant revolutionary potential for U.S. manufacturing
- Worldwide AM products and services \$5.1 B (Wohler's report 2018)
 - 5 fold growth in the past 6 years!
- U.S. market for AM is currently about \$ 2 B
- Metal-based AM is being used for applications in aerospace, biomedical, dental, and automotive industries
- Much momentum and rapid changes the AM industry is poised for growth, innovations, and new products

Production is Here

- Drivers in commercial use remain cost savings
- Mission-oriented drivers may be performance-based
- AM creates new opportunities not available by other manufacturing processes
 - Lightweighting
 - Reduced supply chain
 - Reduced part count
 - Improved performance



Unmanned undersea vehicle housing



Baltic

Mercedes Benz thermostat cover Orthoservice implant







Safran combustor swirler and fuel injector nozzle

Airbus hydraulic manifold



VW water connectors

GE Advanced turbo prop (ATP) -35 percent additive content and a huge parts-count reduction—from 855 subtractive-manufactured parts to just 12 additivemanufactured parts.

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The AM Part Lifecycle

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provenance is critical to AM

Plug and Play into Supply Chain?

What makes the AM process unique?

-Layer by layer

-Material properties formed during the processing

How is this different from composites? -Provide the geometry -Identify the material -Specify the requirements



Additive Manufacturing (AM) ISO F42 ASTM TC261 Definition *n*—process of joining materials to make **parts** from 3D model data, usually **layer** upon layer, **as opposed to subtractive** manufacturing and **formative** manufacturing methodologies.

Are these the same part?

 Photographs of test artifacts built by two service providers built in Ti6Al4V





More Uncertainty in Additive Manufacturing?



Design

Material

Process

Part



New Variability in Material









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New Variability in Process





Laser power = 450 Watt Speed = 500 mm/s fps = 50 k Distance per frame = 10 um Time per frame = 20 us 'Cooling down distance' = 80 um



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New Variability in Part



α = 60°, *v* = 700 mm/s, *P* = 40 W

 $\alpha = 60^{\circ}, v = 700 \text{ mm/s}, P = 195 \text{ W}$



New Variability in Part Microstructure







New Concerns in Part Qualification



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- Product definition
- Direct slicing
- Schema
- Design rules
- Design allowables
- Predictive modeling

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- Powder size distribution
- Powder condition and recyclability
- Powder size and morphology
- Chemical composition
- Porosity
- Rheology

- Melt pool temperature
- Melt pool profiles
- Melt pool volatility
- Emissivity
- Powder bed density
- In situ and ex situ melt pool characterization
- Cooling patterns
- Phase Changes
- Scan strategies

- Microstructure
- Surface profiles
- Grain size
- Grain orientation
- Void characterization
- Internal feature
 measurements
- Stress/Strain tensors
- Residual stress
- Distortion
- Effects of post processing
- Failure propagation

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Digital Thread ... plus...

 Measurement Science, through metrics, models, data, verification, and validation methods, can be used to reduce uncertainties in direct part manufacturing. Integrated through a digital thread, we can facilitate and achieve rapid part qualification leading to widespread adoption of trusted AM technologies

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Decomposing the AM Lifecyle by Information Requirements



- During an AM process, several different activities are necessary
- These activities become "transitions" between different phases
- Eight phases to outline the AM digital spectrum
- Each phase is defined by the transformation of its digital footprint

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Inspection Results/Validate Performance Requirements

- Capture as much data as possible to establish provenance (pre, during, and post process)

Establishing a Digital Thread

- Identify key information elements is critical to establishing a digital thread (including schema and data packages) for reproducibility, verification, and conformance.
- Driven by lifecycle approach, input data (part and process), basic testing data

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Establishing Provenance with the Right Data

- Many AM-Specific Standards Development Efforts
- Standards will provide AM parts with
 - Extended geometry control
 - Better material control
 - Better process control
 - Better quality control
- Communication is key to realizing better control

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Various AM Material Database Efforts



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Design Allowables in AM: Establishing Material-Process-Structure Relationships

- Look to establish repeatable correlations between processed material and:
 - surface finish
 - microstructure
 - tensile strength
 - etc.

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NIST Additive Manufacturing Material Database - AMMD

Goal: To develop an open database system set for:

—deep understanding of AM geometry-material-process-property relationships

—better AM process control and optimization

Features:

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- Lifecycle and value chain data
- Openly accessible
- Community effort of data curation
- Consensus/ co-developed schema
- Integration support for data analytics



Product Definition and Geometric Dimensioning & Tolerancing (GD&T)

Incorporated into ASME Y14.46

 Language for communicating geometric tolerance specification and design intent between

> Designers – Manufacturers Designers – Inspectors

 Previously there were no formal mechanisms to communicate many AM-enabled concepts



Functionally-graded material







Product Definition and Geometric Dimensioning & Tolerancing (GD&T)

Y14.46 provides AM-driven definitions and representations for:

- Communicating process-specifics •
- Tolerancing free-form complex • surfaces
- Topology optimized shapes
- Graded materials
- Lattice/ Fill patterns
- Internal features
- Post processing ۲
- Data packages ۲

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Incorporated into **ASME Y14.46**

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VR5-MAT3

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AM Challenges Include Process Planning

Many AM process planning decisions will impact the final part, such as

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• Build direction

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• Support structures



Many Standards Bodies are Involved in Additive Manufacturing

- ASTM Committee F42 on Additive Manufacturing Technologies
- ISO Technical Committee 261 on Additive Manufacturing
- ASME Y14.46 Committee on Geometric Dimensioning & Tolerancing (GD&T) Requirements for Additive Manufacturing
- SAE Aerospace Material Specifications for Additive Manufacturing (AMS-AM) Committee
- AWS D20 Committee on Additive Manufacturing
- ISO TC184 / SC1, SC4, STEP-based data representation for AM
- ASME B46 Project Team 53, Surface Finish for AM
- ASME BPVC
- <others the list is growing>

NIST Contributes to All of These Efforts

Some Challenges: high risk of duplication of efforts and overlapping content; potential for inconsistencies or even contradictions; conflicting standards create ambiguity and confusion; increased requirements for communication and coordination; need for liaisons; limited resources

Additive Manufacturing Standards Structure



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General Top-Level AM Standards

- General concepts
- · Common requirements
- Generally applicable

Category AM Standards

Specific to material category or process category

Specialized AM Standards

Specific to material, process, or application





Examples of AM-specific Standard Development

- Terminology
- Standard test artifacts
- Requirements for purchased AM parts
- Design guidelines
- Specification for extrusion-based AM of plastic materials
- Practice for metal powder bed fusion to meet rigid quality requirements
- Specific design guidelines for powder bed fusion
- Qualification, quality assurance, and post processing of powder bed fusion metallic parts
- Product Definition
- Surface Characterization
- Boiler and Pressure Vessel Codes

- Nondestructive testing for AM parts
- Intentional seeding of flaws in AM parts
- Anisotropy effects in mechanical properties of AM parts
- Conducting round robin studies
- Additive manufacturing format support for solid modeling
- AM of stainless steel alloy with powder bed fusion
- Specification of metal powders
- Design of functionally-graded AM parts
- Material and Process Specifications
- Material Data Specifications



Process-specific Aerospace Requirements



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Joint ISO/TC 261-ASTM F 42 Group JG 73

ISO/ASTM PWI 52923 - "Additive manufacturing - Data packages for AM parts"

- Recently established standard effort to help capture AM data package requirements
- Will cover data related to all phases of the AM lifecycle
 - From design to qualification
- Will leverage AM-specific standards to maximize established provenance
- First Draft Fall of 2019

Product	DataSet I-1 DataSet I-2 DataSet II DataSet III DataSet III 3DModel_Info Material_Type PointCoordinates Surface_Resolution Face_Type PlanIndependent_ID OrientedAngle SupportStructure_Info DataSet III DataSet IV Build_ID Building_Capacity Accuracy Manufacturability Building_Capacity Operator_Info Software_Info Operator_Info Software_Info Operator_Info Equipment_Info Material_Char Operator_Info	DataSet VDataSet VIPostProcess_IDTest_IDPostProcess_MethodTest_MethodPostProcess_PlanTest_PlanEquipments_InfoEquipment_InfoOperator_InfoSoftware_InfoCoupon_InfoCoupon_Info
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Are these the same part?

Photographs of test artifacts built by different service providers



What am I designing for, what am I qualifying for?

- AM Information can be classified into
 - Design/Geometry
 - Material
 - Process
 - Part



Support structure



Lattice structure



<Design/Geometry>

Powder composition ratio



Powder geometry



Powder type



<Material>





Powder feed system







<Process>



A qualified part is one that falls within the range of all *critical* design tolerances, has the specified surface attributes, and maintains part integrity and *stability during any functional tests*, *as determined by the customer*.

<Part/Qualification>

http://www.moldmakingtechnology.com/articles/ a-modern-moldmaking-trend

When is a part deemed to be satisfactory?

- What is qualification?
 - What is necessary to qualify against the *customers' (functional) needs*
 - What part/process characteristics are most likely to lead to failure?
 - What are the failure modes that will determine how the performance of the part is measured?
 - What data is necessary to "establish provenance"?
 - What data is available to create an established/quality dataset?
 - What type of requirements were placed on the part?
 - What type of relationship has been established with the manufacturer?
 - Does this have to be done for all parts? Only different geometries? Only different maintenance cycles? Only different machines?

What can we do to push the line further?



Level of Criticality

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Takeaways

- AM is a unique process, but parts do not always have unique requirements
- It is important to understand how variability in a process may affect your part
- As processes mature, AM production capabilities will continue to grow
- AM standards provide a source for articulating AM-specific requirements
- Qualification is in the "eye of the beholder" and subject to the criticality of the part and risk of functional failure

Additive Manufacturing at NIST

- Multiple Lab effort
 - Engineering Lab
 - Materials Measurement Lab
 - Physical Measurement Lab
 - Information Technology Lab
 - NIST Center for Neutron Research
- Multiple Technologies
 - Metals
 - Polymers
 - Concrete



- Activities Include
 - Workshops
 - Roadmaps
 - Standards Development
 - Measurement Technology Development









Facilities

- Commercial AM platforms
 - EOS M270, EOS M290
 - Optomec LENS MR7,
 - ExOne Mlab
- AMMT/TEMPS Laboratory
- Powder characterization laboratory
 - Dynamic imaging for PSD
 - Laser flash for thermal properties
 - Rheometer and powder spreading test platform
- Post-processing and testing facilities
 - High temperature heat treatment furnace, EDM
 - XCT, White light interferometry, mechanical testing, SEM, XRD
- Additive Manufacturing Research Center (AMRC)





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