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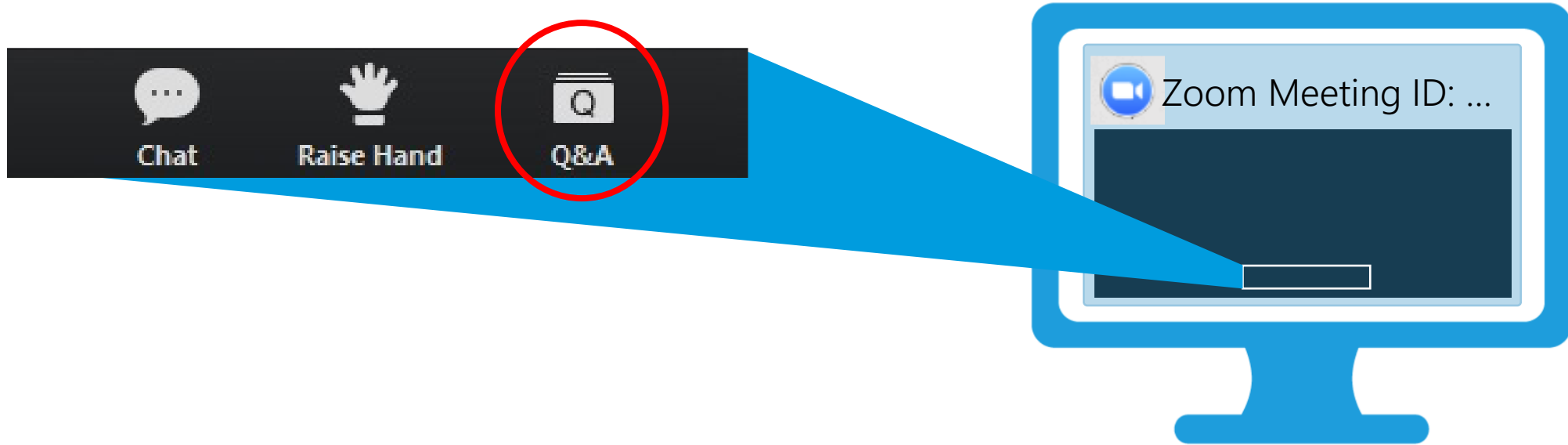


We are starting now...

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Recording will be available tomorrow.

ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING IN X-RAY COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY

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You will learn

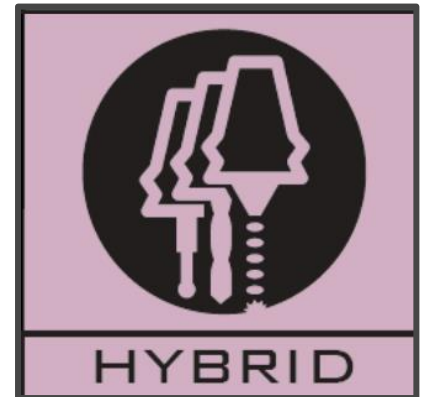
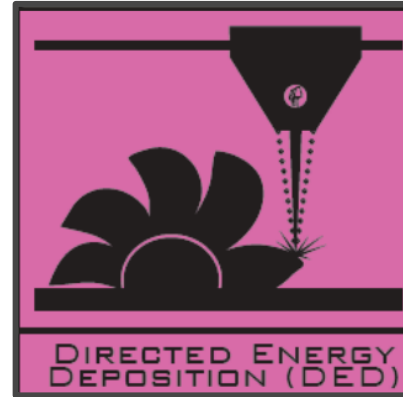
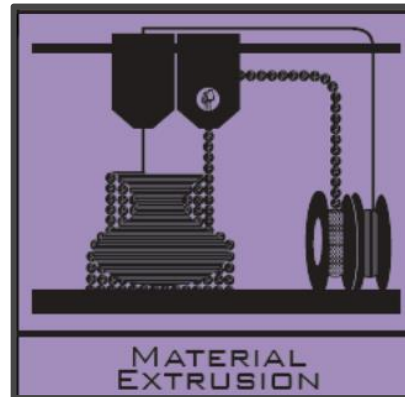
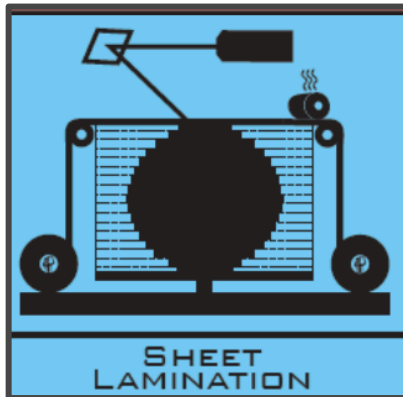
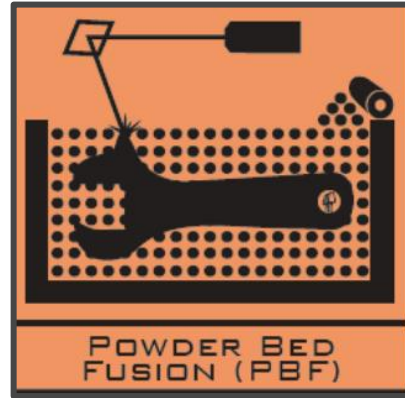
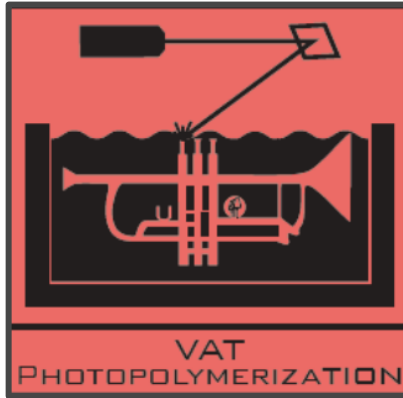
- What is additive manufacturing (AM)
- Why structure analysis is vital to AM
- What is x-ray CT
- How x-ray CT helps you throughout AM

What is additive manufacturing?

A **product** model generated using CAD to be fabricated directly without **excessive** process planning.

— *Additive Manufacturing Technologies:
3D Printing, Rapid Prototyping, and Direct Digital Manufacturing*
by Ian Gibson, David Rosen, Brent Stucker

Types of additive manufacturing



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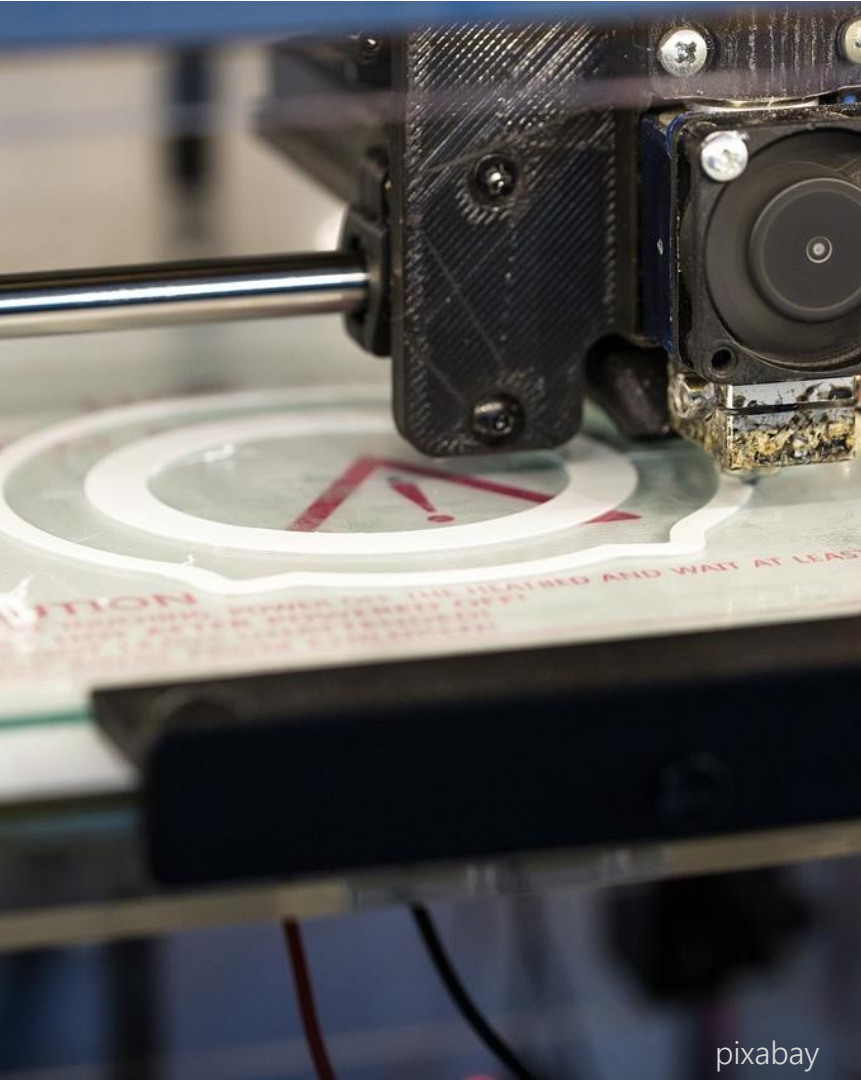
Why use additive manufacturing ?

- Fast
 - Design to product time
 - Iteration cycle
- Form
 - Shapes conventionally impractical
 - Vast amount of material choice

Polling Question #1

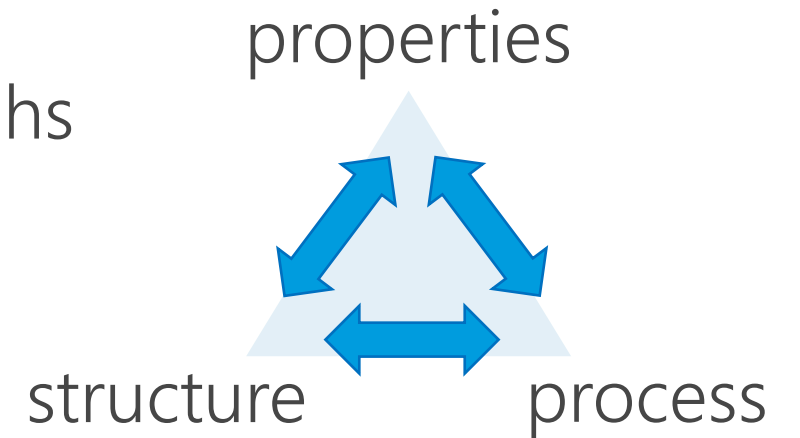


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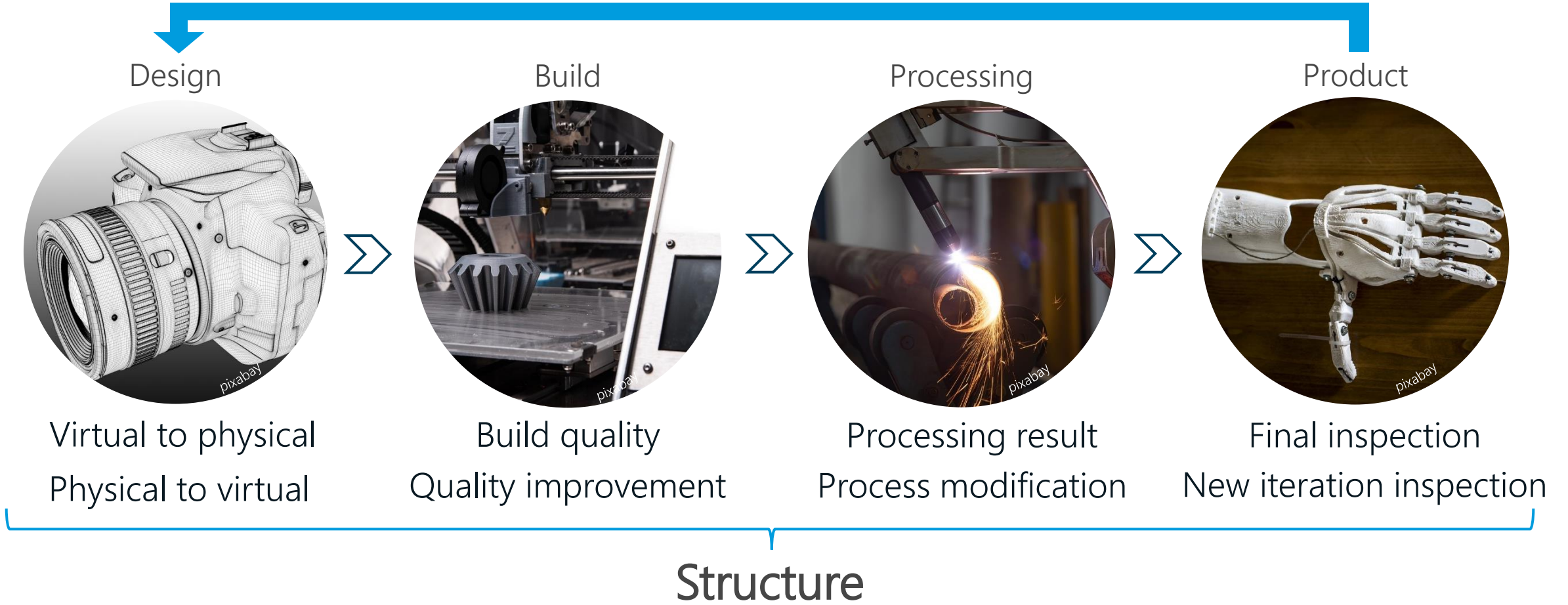


Motivation for AM studies

- Improve overall **properties**
- Improve **structure** reliability
- Improve **process** precision
- Achieve breakthroughs

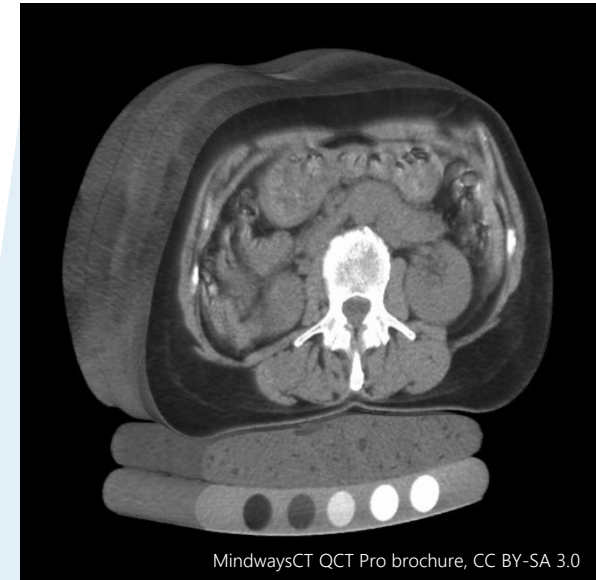


Process of additive manufacturing

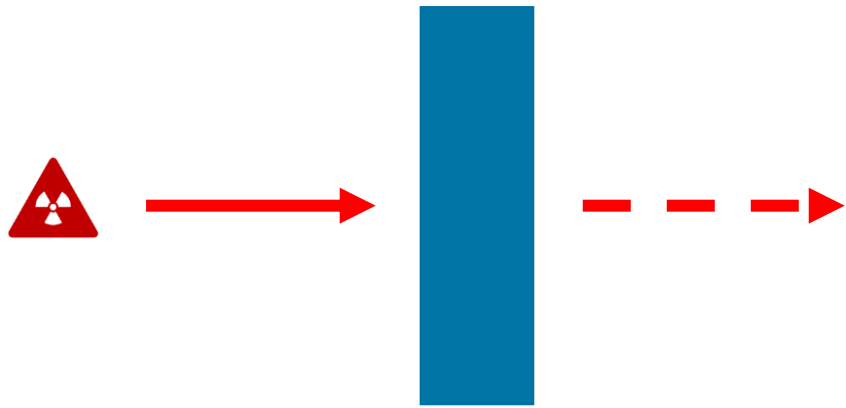


What is x-ray CT?

What is CT (Computed Tomography)



How do x-rays generate contrast?



Things absorb x-rays.

$$I_{measured} = I_{incident} e^{-\mu t}$$

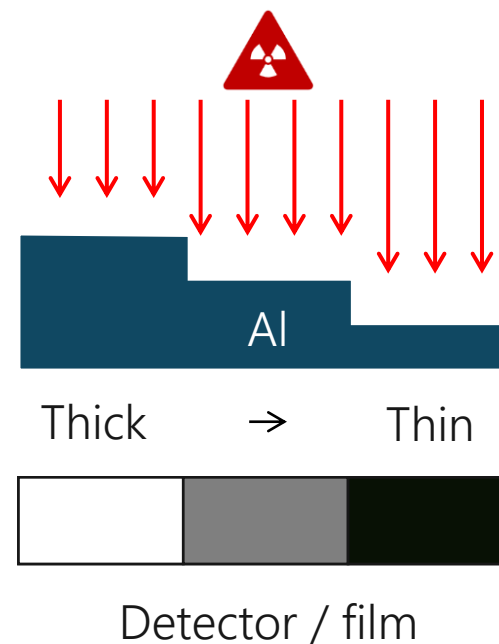
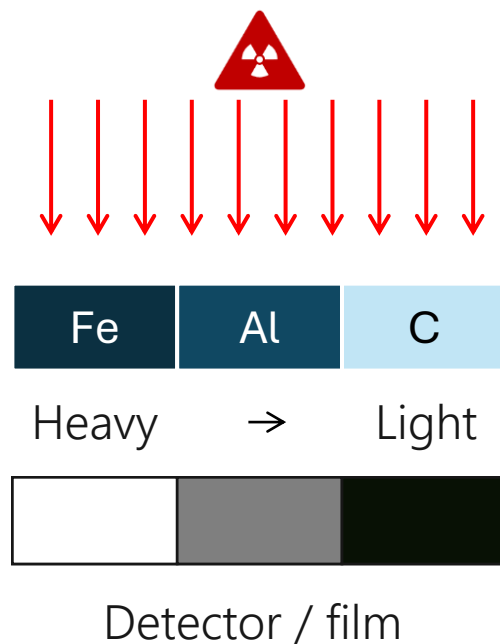
Object thickness t

Attenuation coefficient

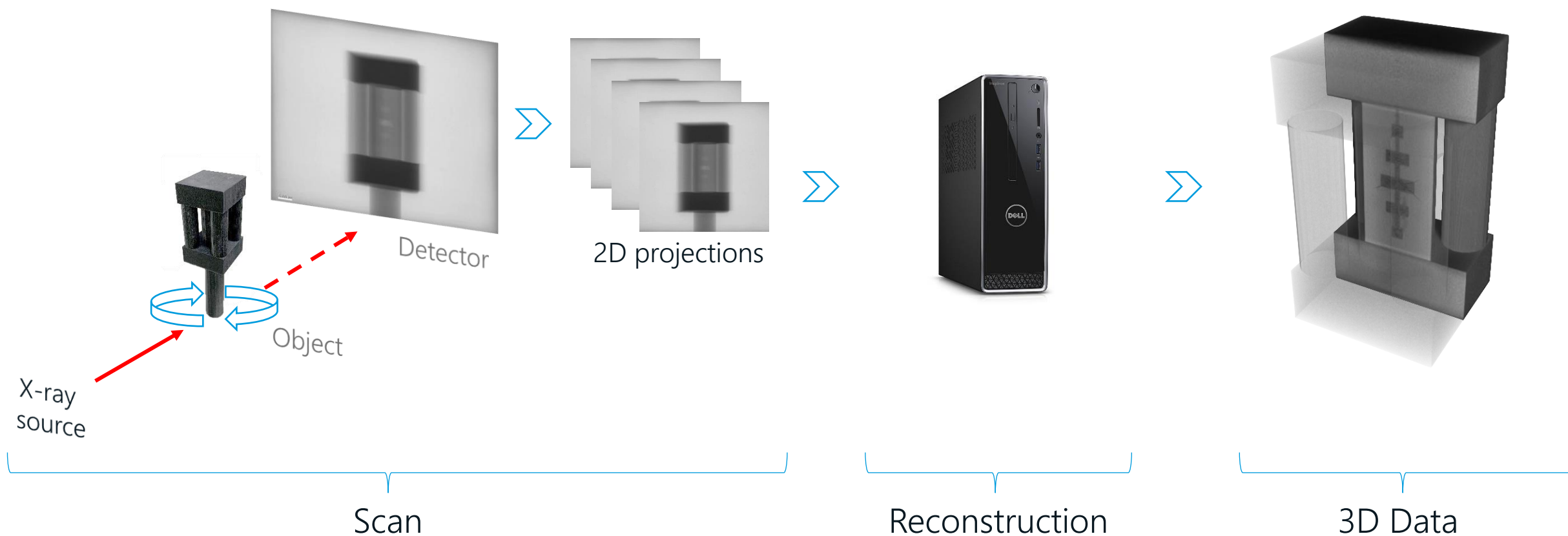
$$\mu \propto \frac{\rho A Z^4}{E^3}$$

- \propto Density (ρ)
- \propto Atomic number (Z)
- \propto Atomic mass (A)
- $\propto \frac{1}{\text{X-ray energy } (E)}$

How do x-rays generate contrast?



How does X-ray CT acquire 3D structural data?



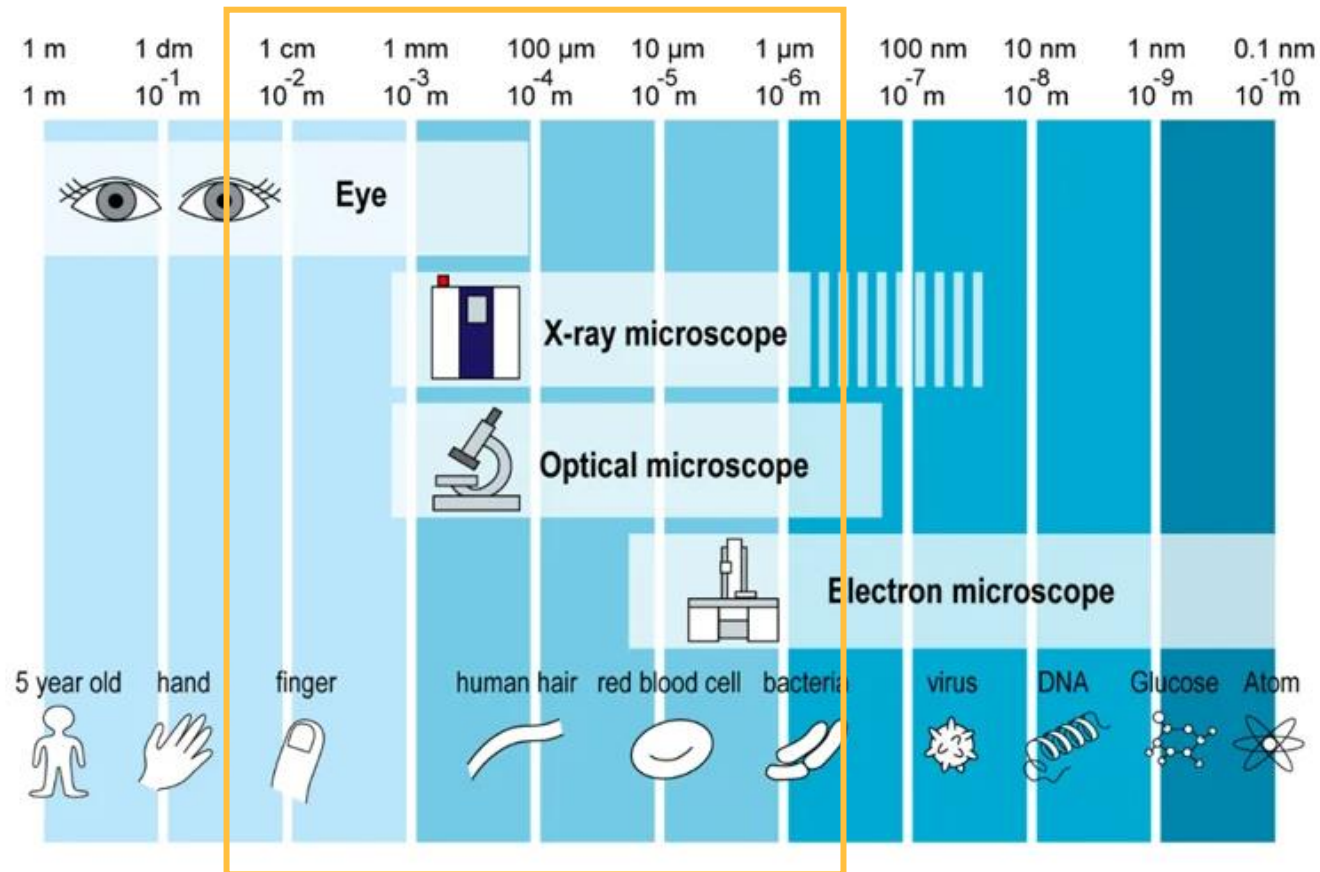
Common structure analysis methods



Common structure analysis methods

- Specific feature analysis
 - Archimedes density testing
 - Ultrasonic detection
 - Coordinate measuring machine (CMM)
- Image based inspection
 - Microscopy (optical, SEM)
 - X-ray radiography
 - X-ray CT

Structural features scale

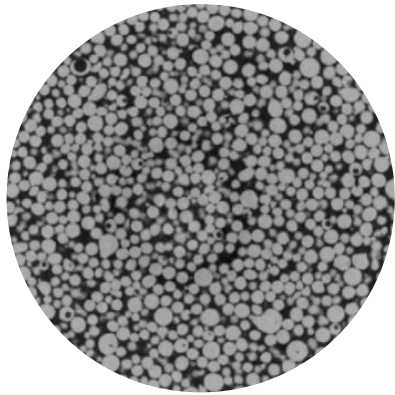


Size range of common AM features of interest

What are structural features of interest ?

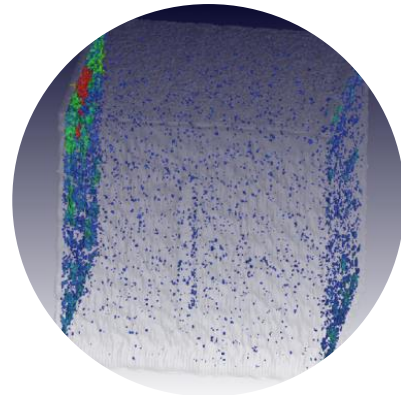
Key structural features of interest for AM

Powder analysis

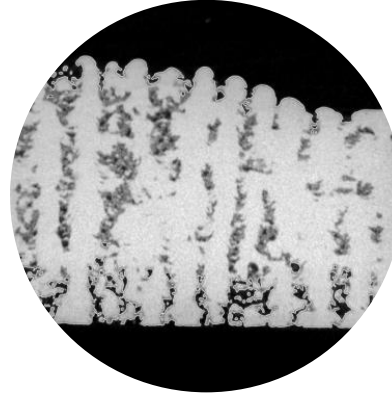


Morphology
Size distribution

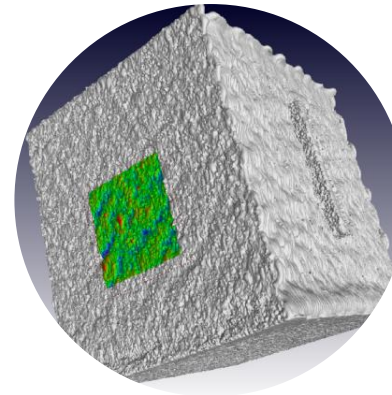
Porosity



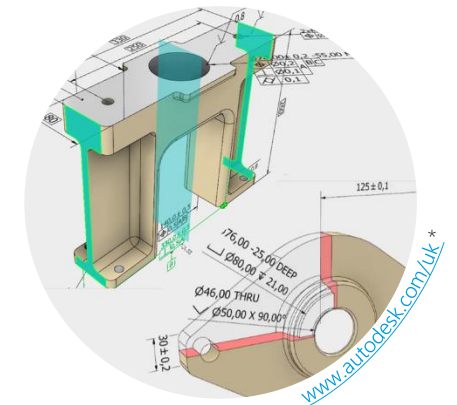
Density



Surface roughness



Dimensioning



Tolerance variation
Actual to nominal

Du Plessis, Anton, et al. "Standard method for microCT-based additive manufacturing quality control 1-4" MethodsX 5 (2018)

[Powder analysis article link](#)

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Why choose x-ray CT?

Build	Processing	Product	Re-Design
X-ray CT			
X-ray radiography			
SEM			
Optical			Optical

Objective advantages:

- Internal structure
- Non-destructive
- Spatial 3D data

Polling Question #2



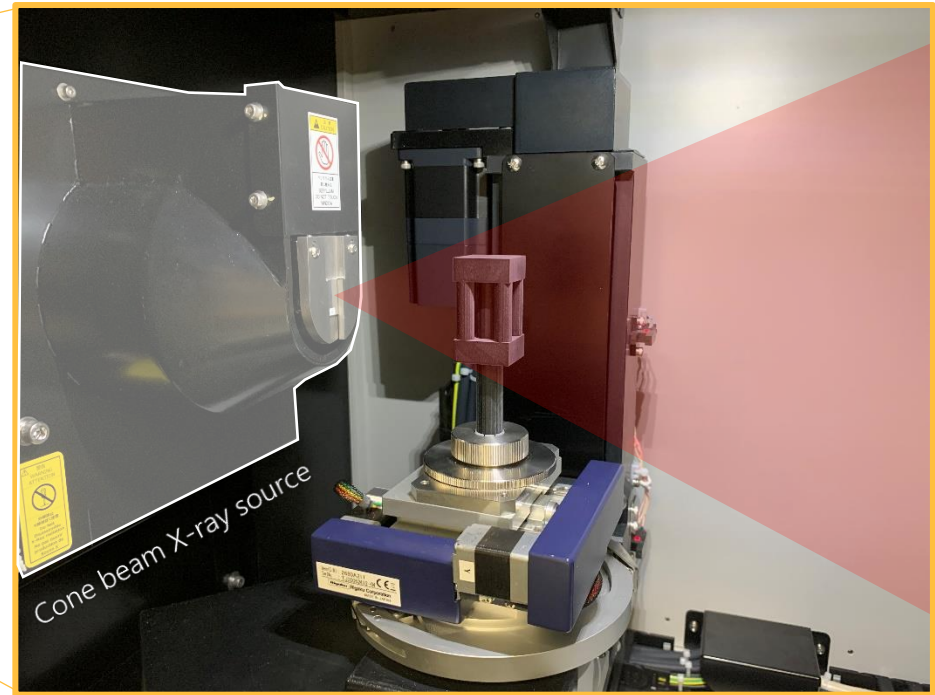
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Structure analysis **x-ray CT** examples

Photopolymer

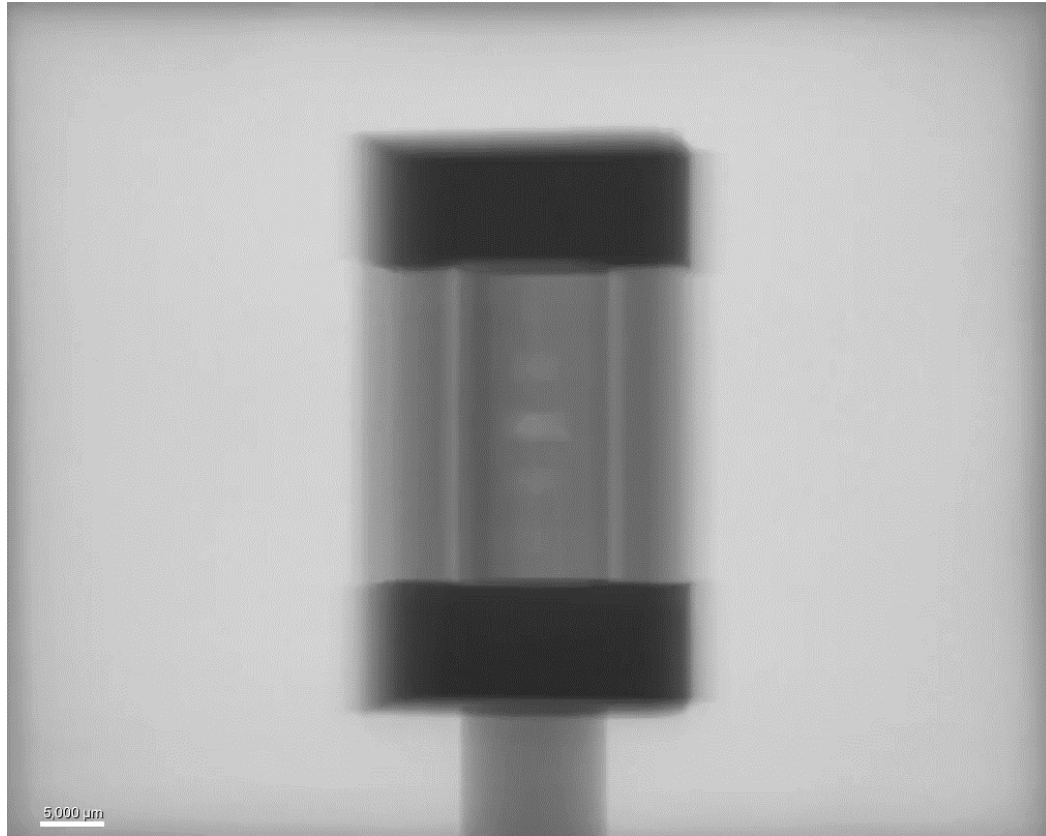
(Vat polymerization)

Photopolymer- CT scan process

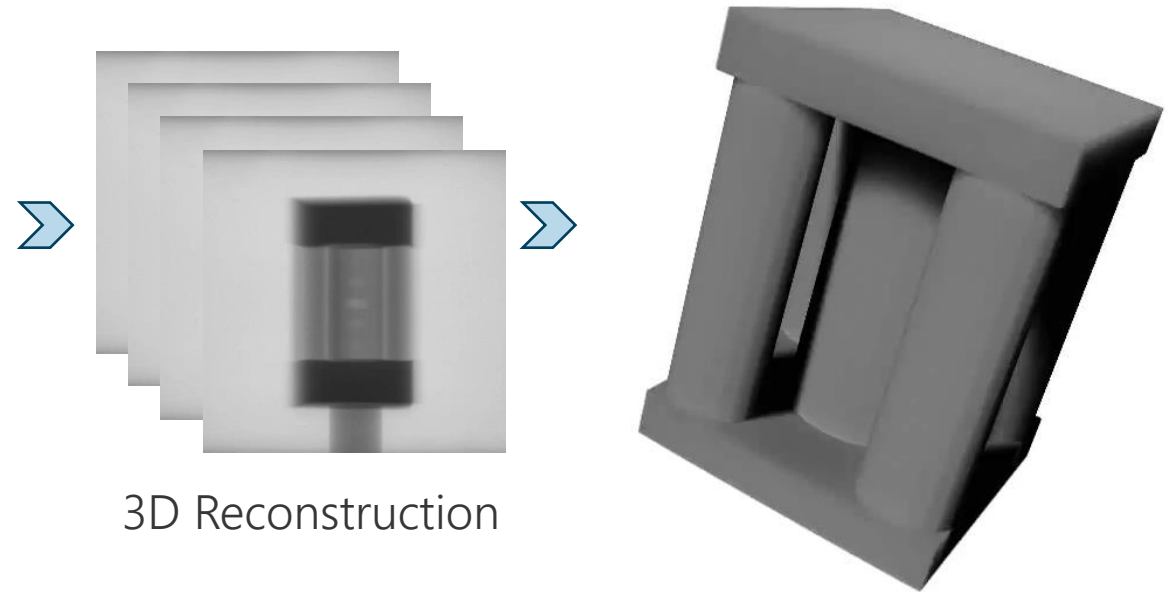


Finest voxel resolution 2.1 μm

Photopolymer- CT scan process

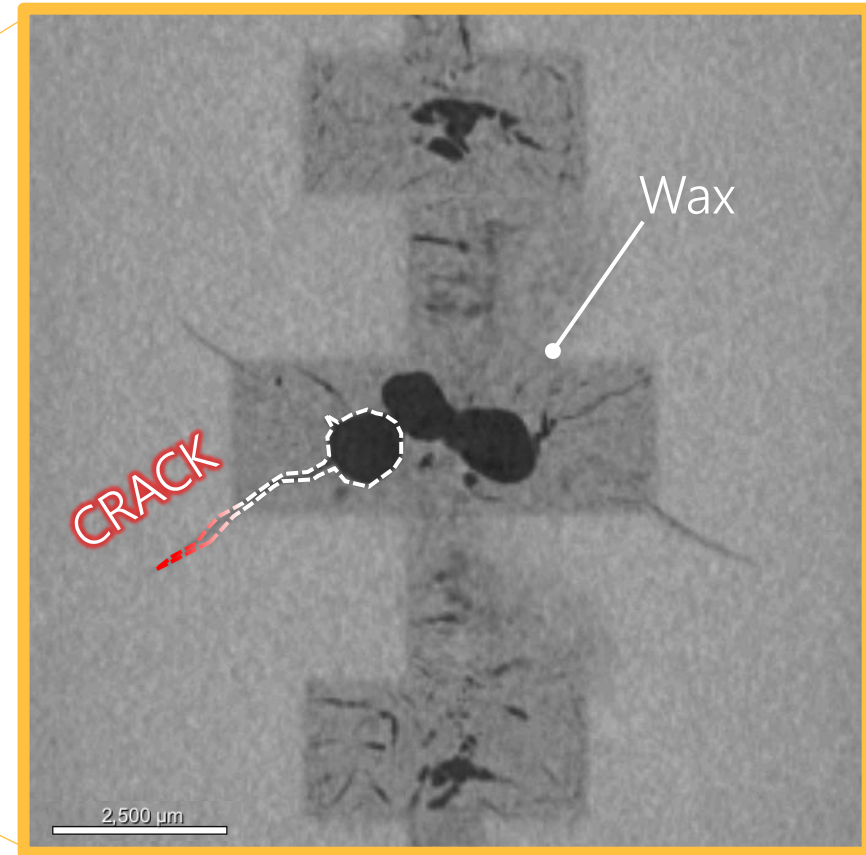
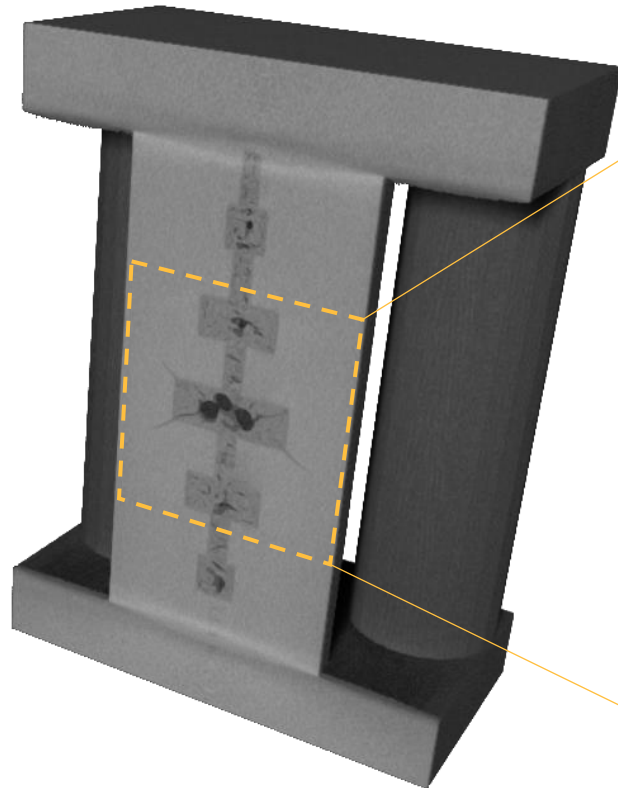


2D Radiograph



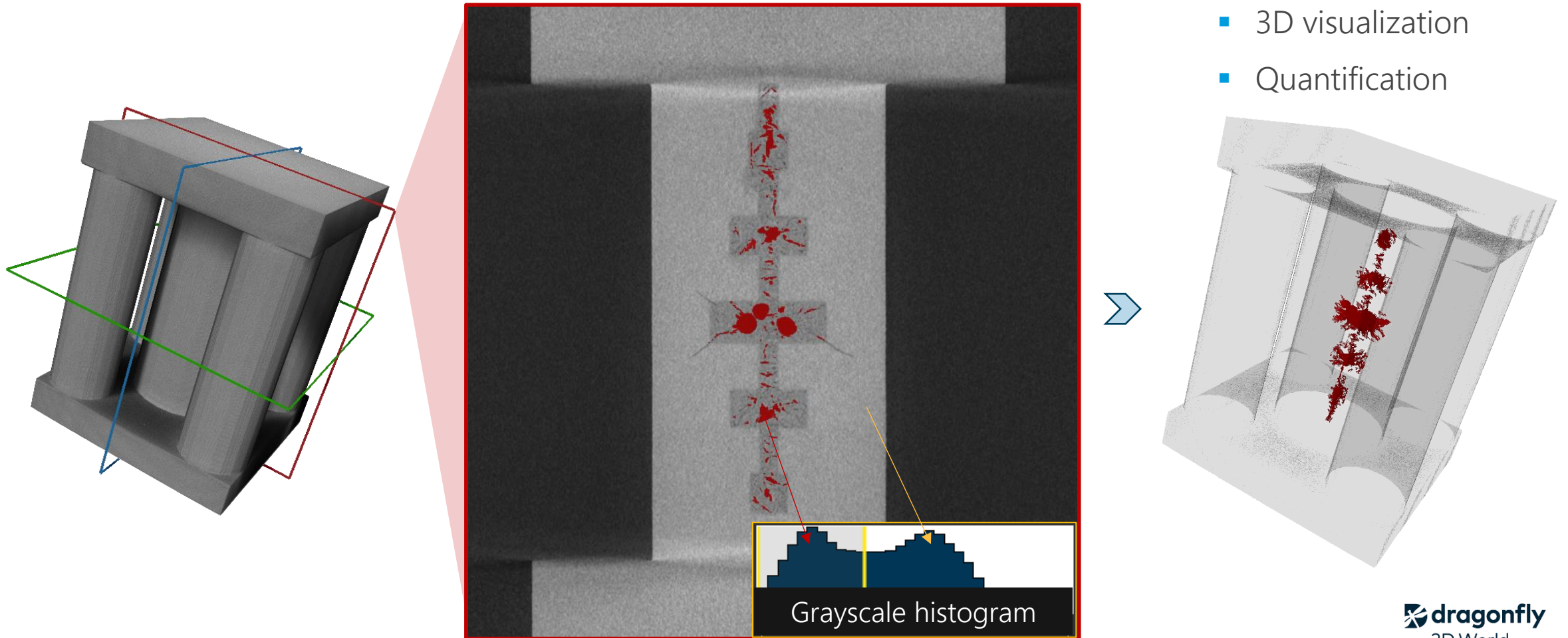
3D Reconstruction

Photopolymer- 2D inspection

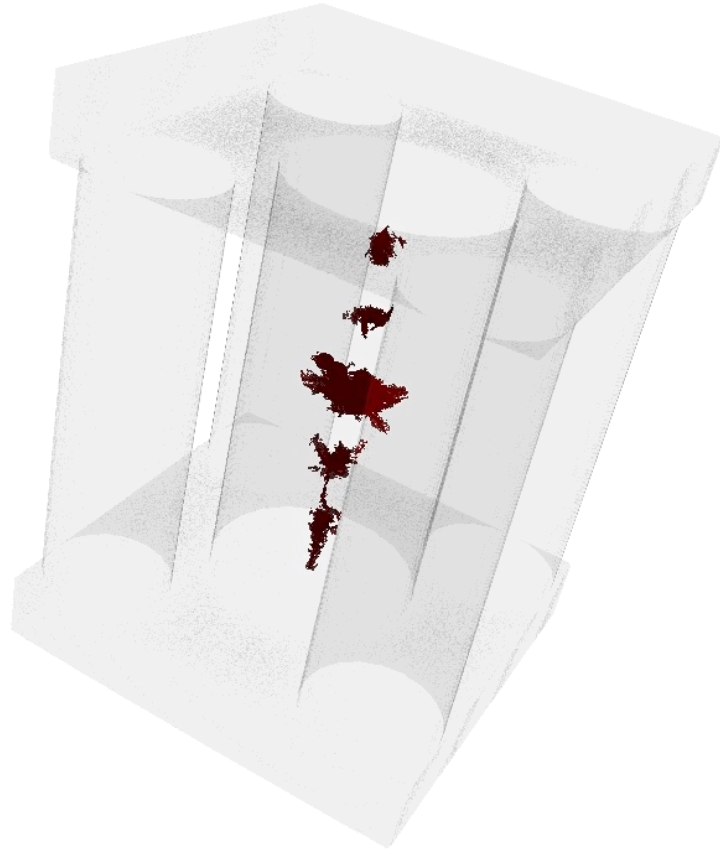


Crack grew into printed material

Photopolymer- 3D inspection



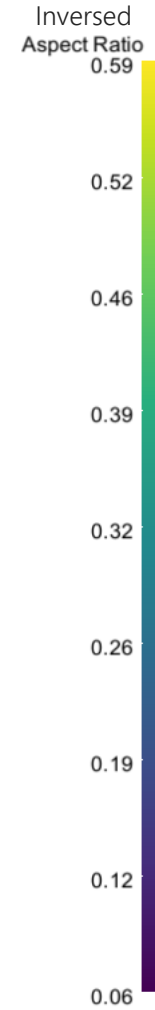
Photopolymer- Void analysis



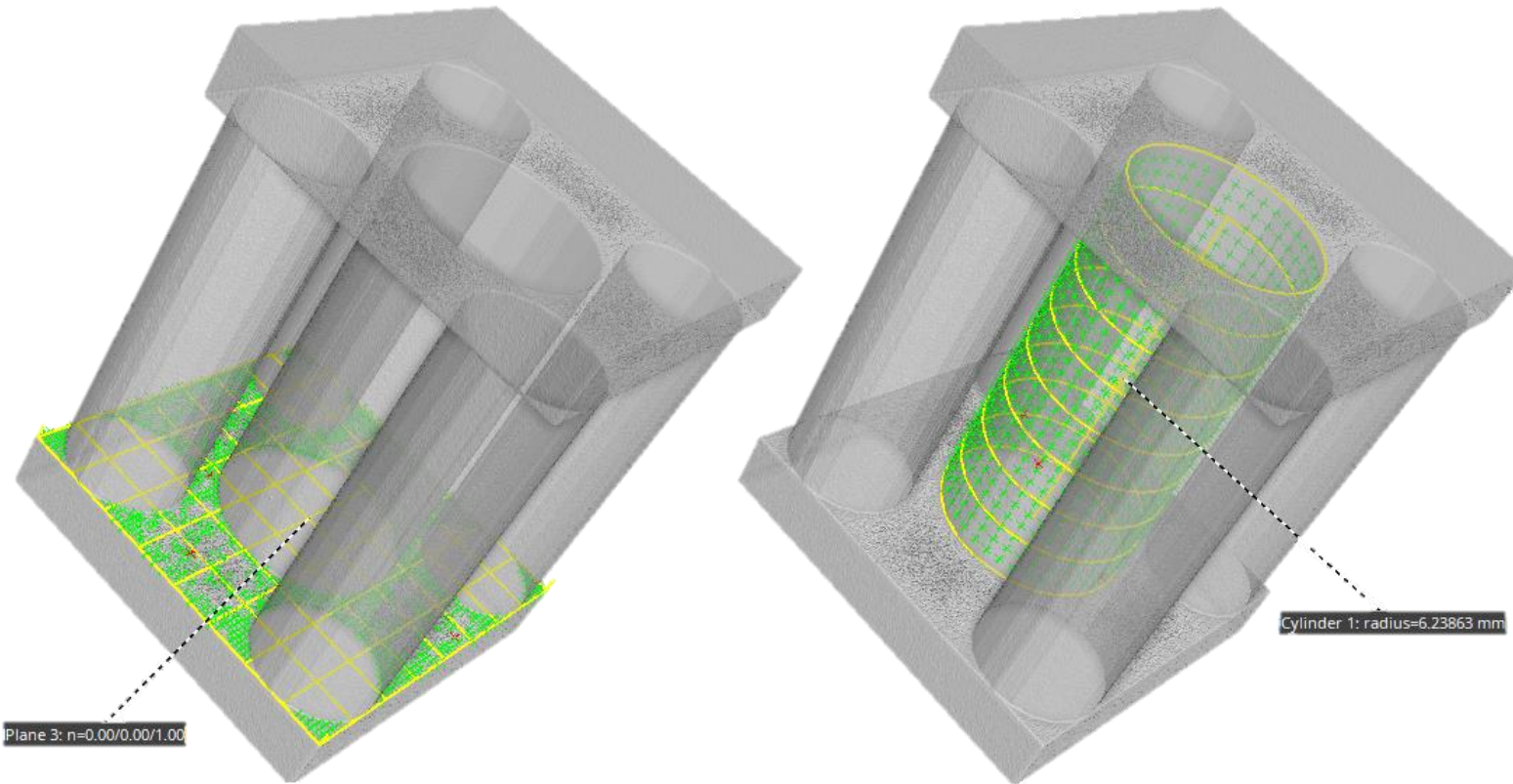
Larger voids



Small pores

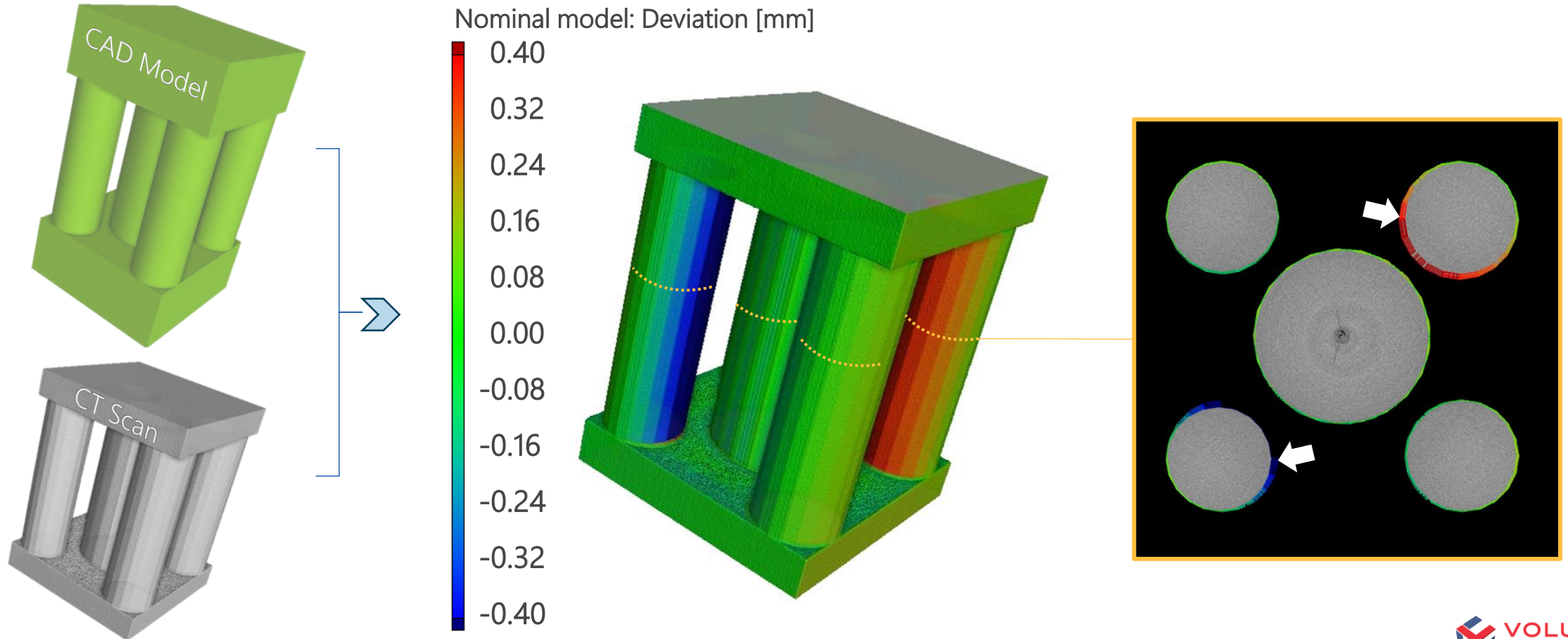


Photopolymer- 3D dimensioning



- Volume visualization
- Nominal to actual

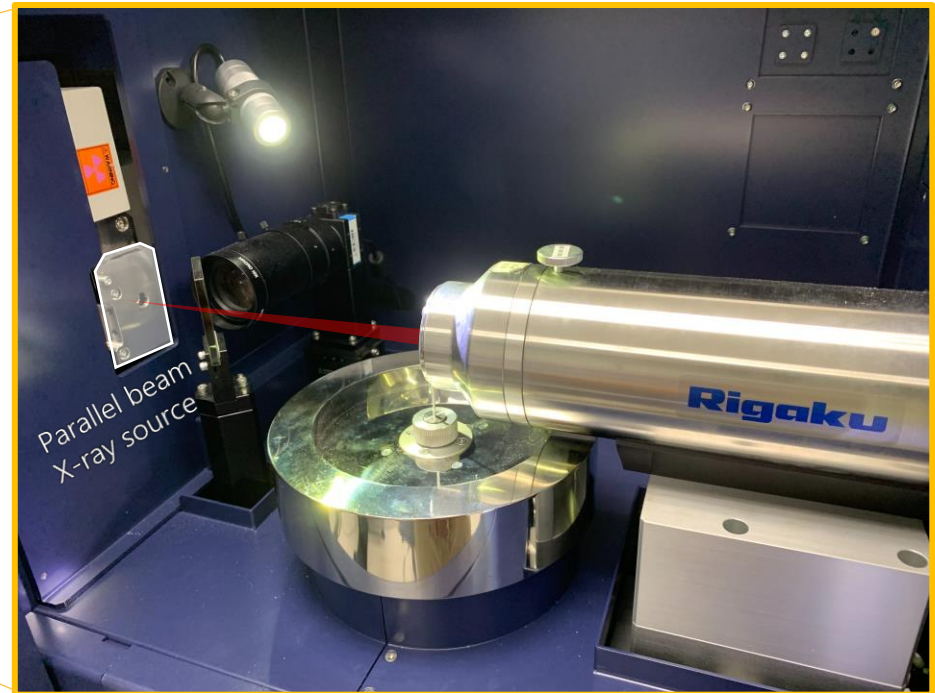
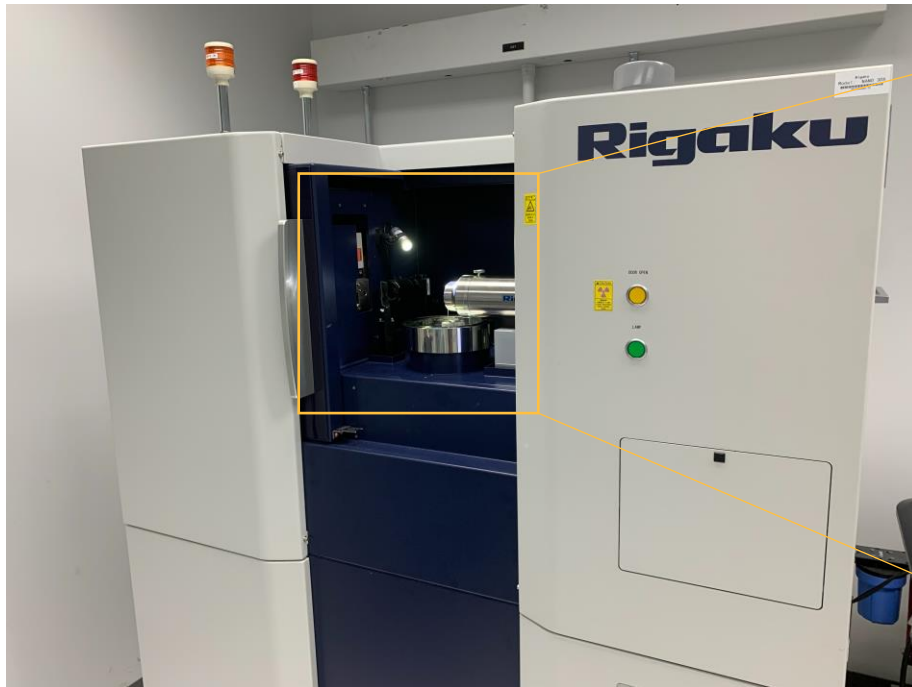
Photopolymer- Nominal to actual comparison



Metal powder

(For PBF & DED)

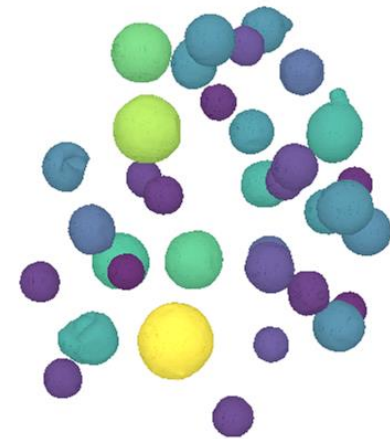
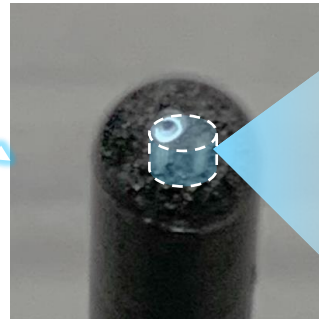
Metal powder- CT scan process



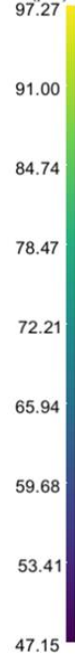
Finest voxel resolution 325 nm

Metal powder- Morphology analysis

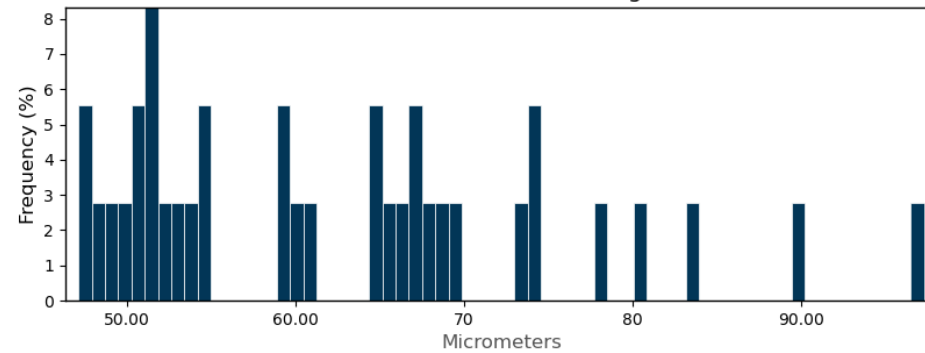
Titanium alloy powder



Powder - Mean Feret Diameter (μm)



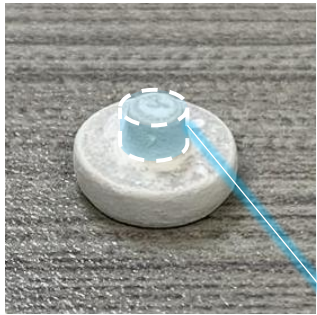
Mean Feret Diameter Histogram



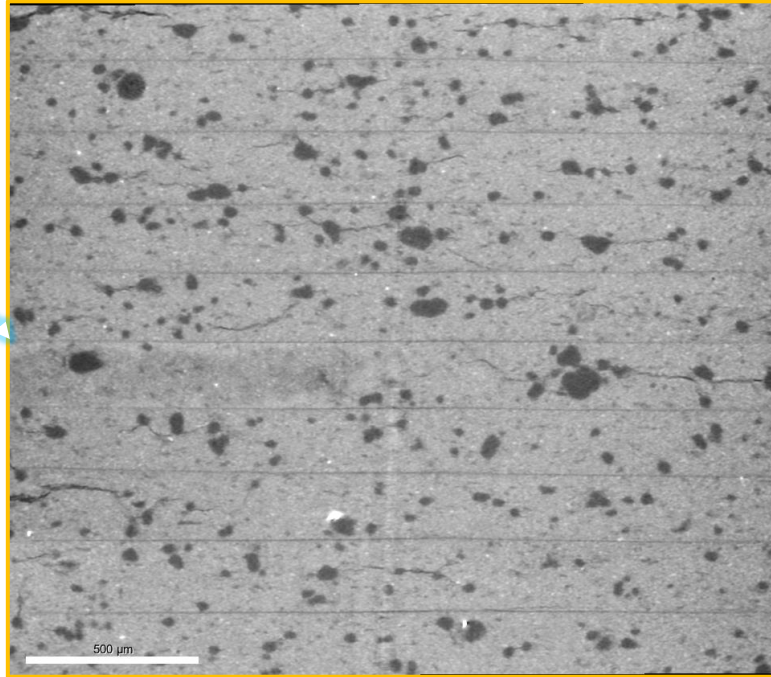
Ceramic

(Sheet lamination)

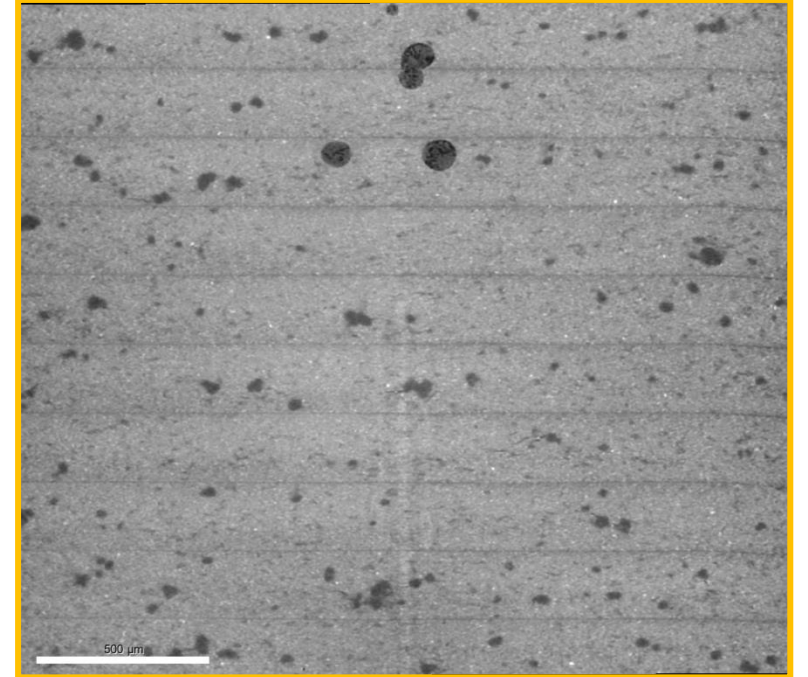
Ceramic- 2D inspection



Green body
Sample A

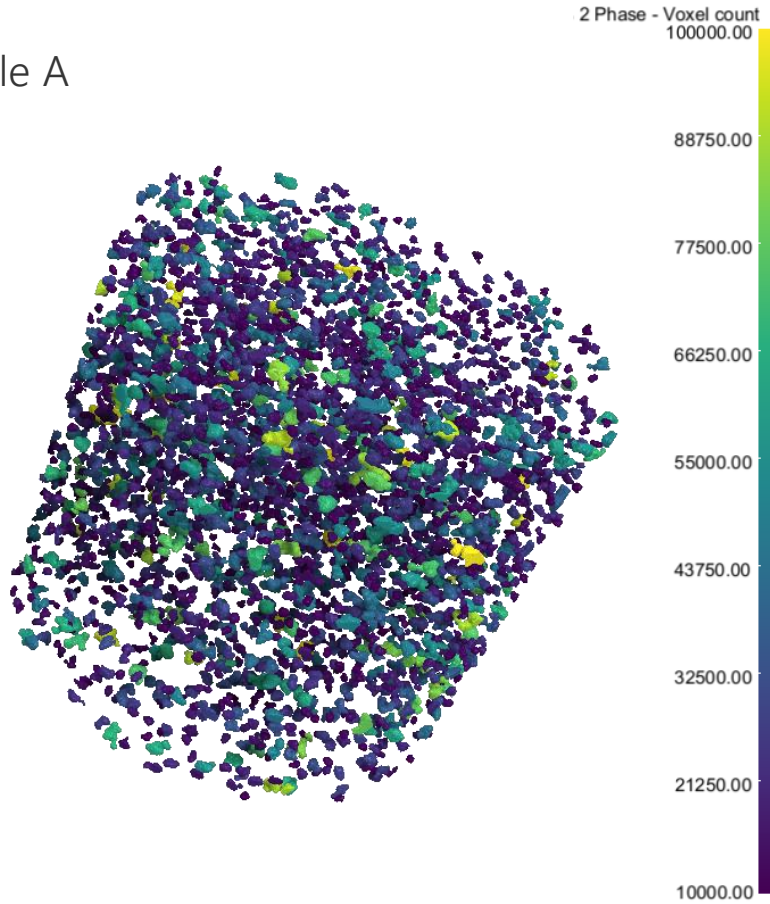


Green body
Sample B

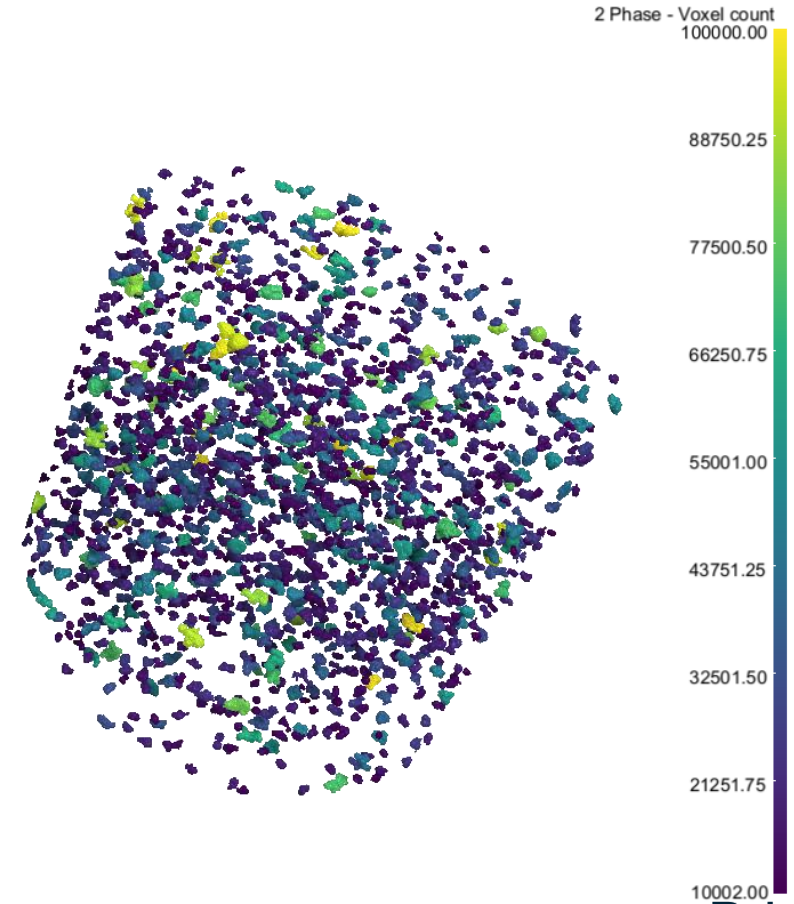


Ceramic- 3D inspection

Sample A



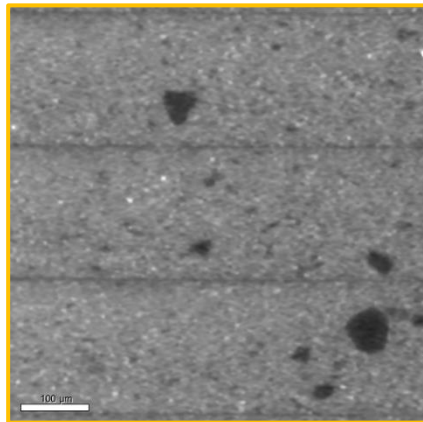
Sample B



Ceramic- 2D inspection



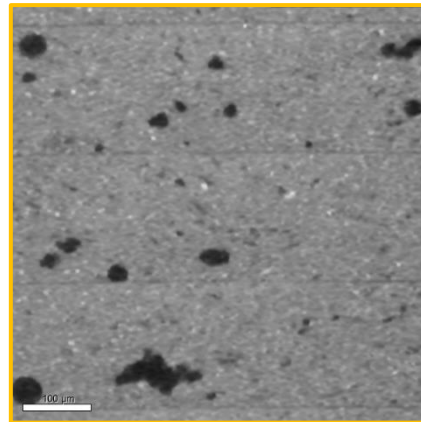
Green body



Pre-baking
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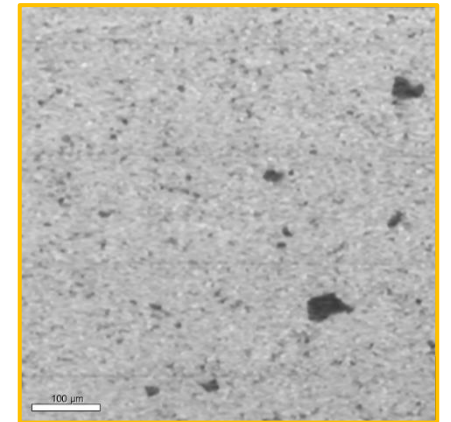
Brown body



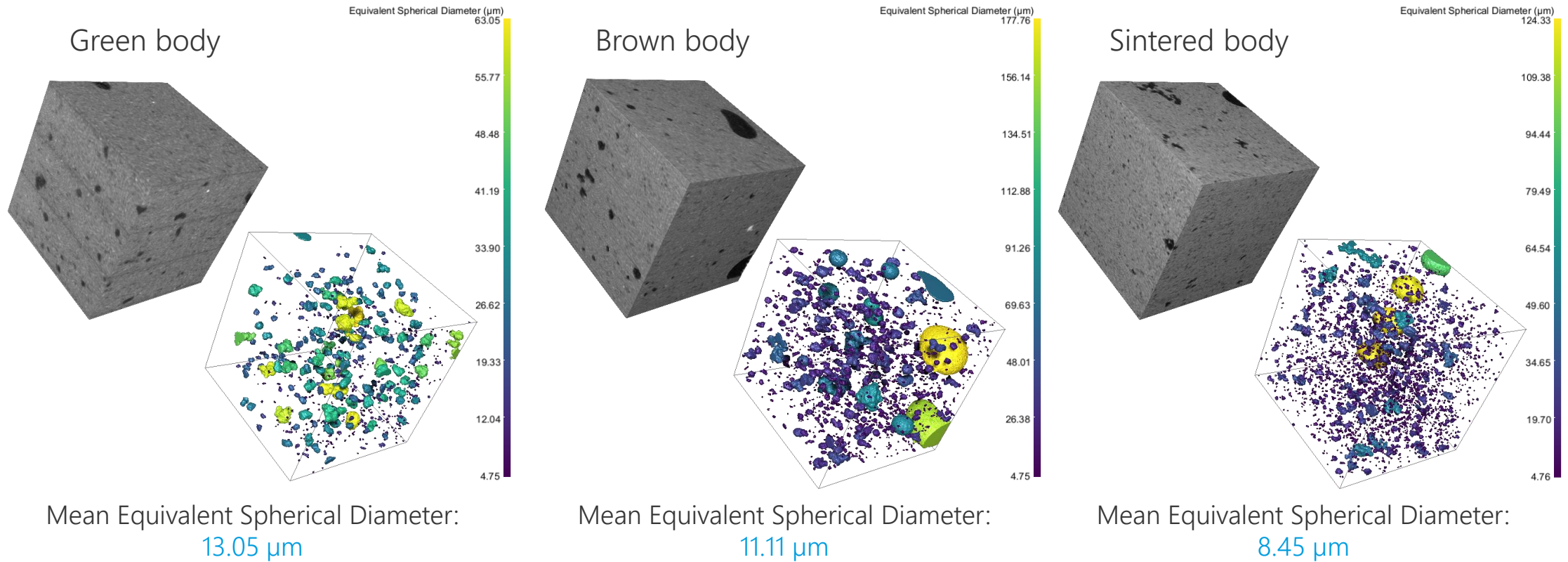
Major Sintering
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Sintered body



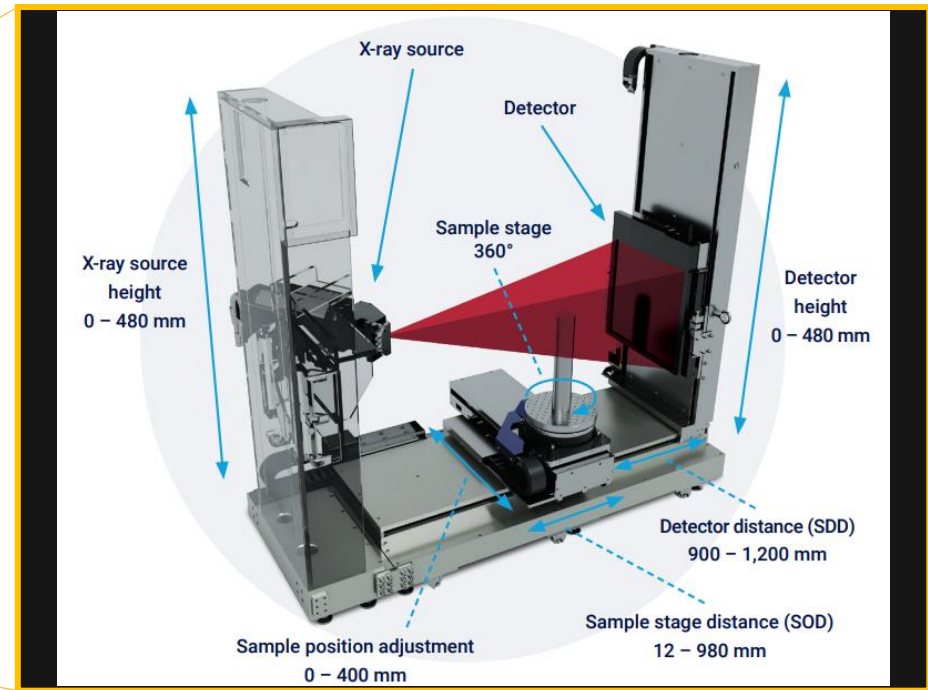
Ceramic- Potential time resolved analysis



Titanium alloy rods

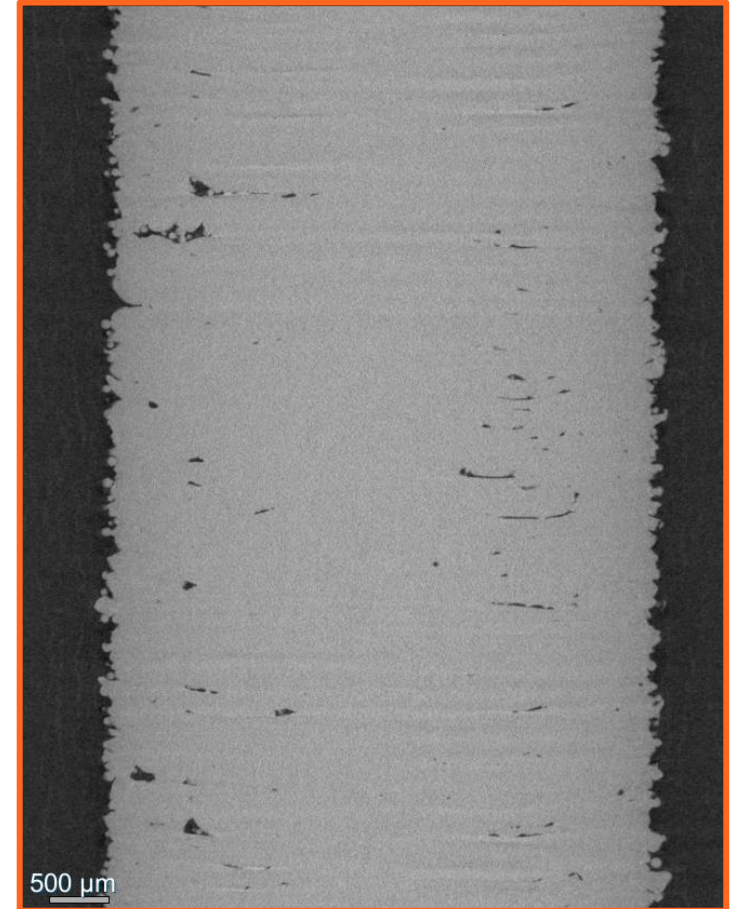
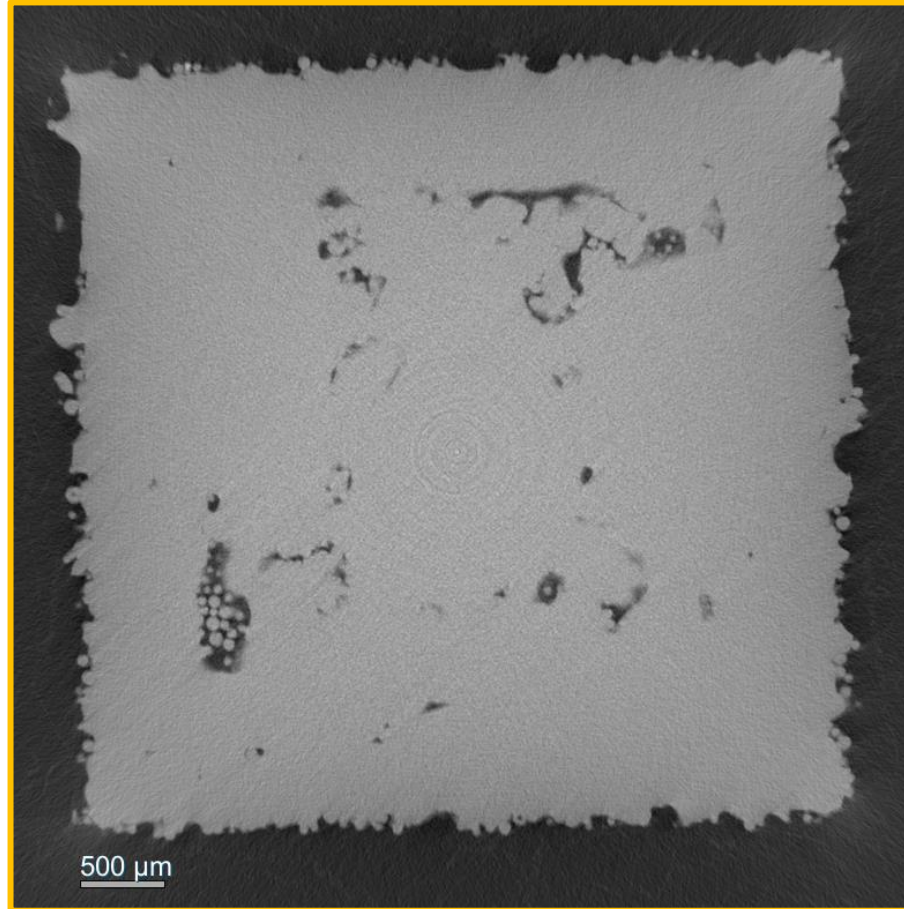
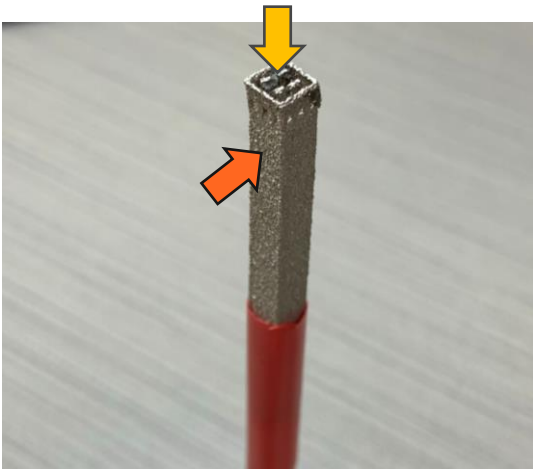
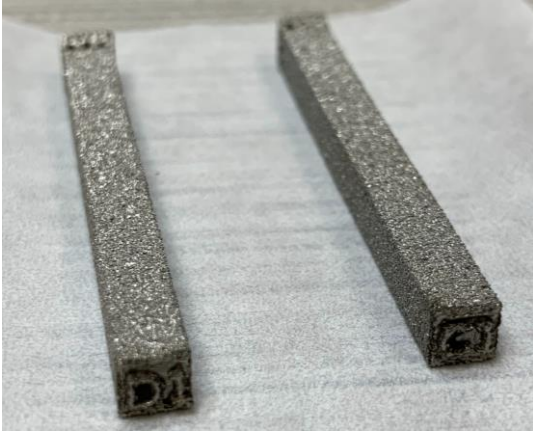
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Titanium alloy rods- CT scan process



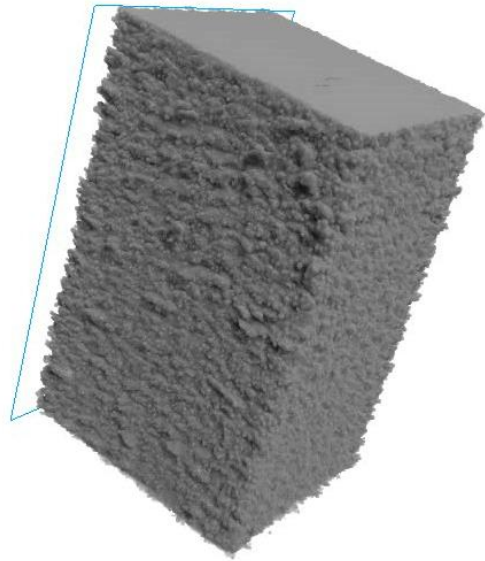
Finest voxel resolution 1.5 μm

Titanium alloy rods- 2D inspection



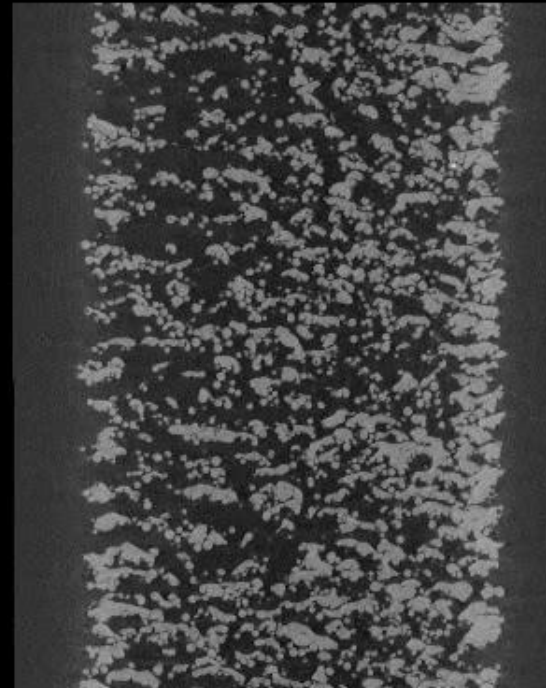
Titanium alloy rods- 2D inspection

Sample D1



3D slice location

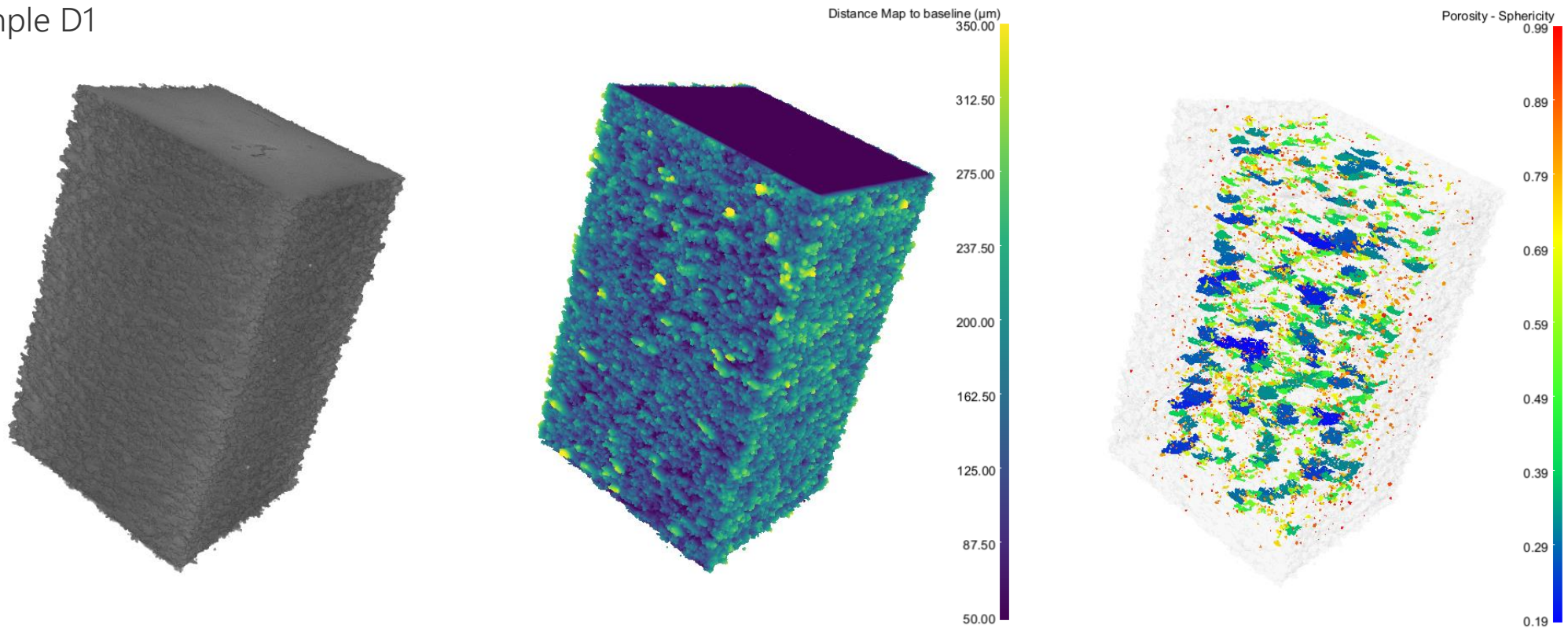
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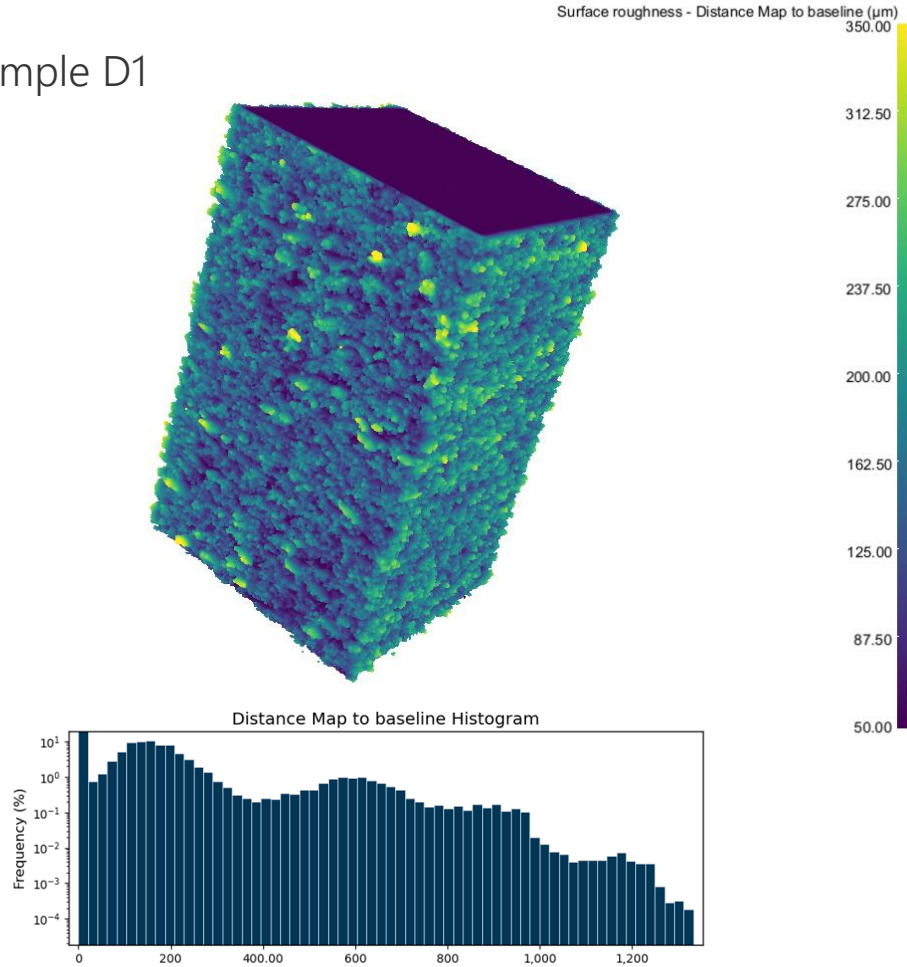
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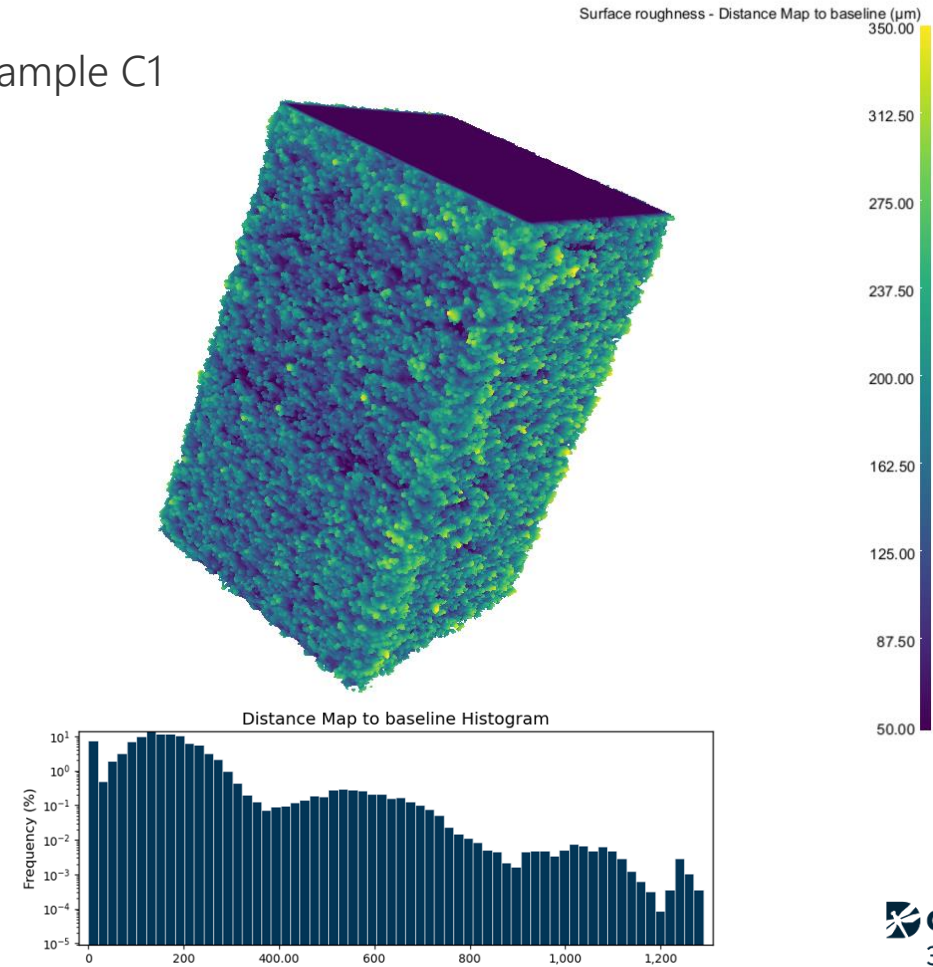


Titanium alloy rods- Surface roughness

Sample D1

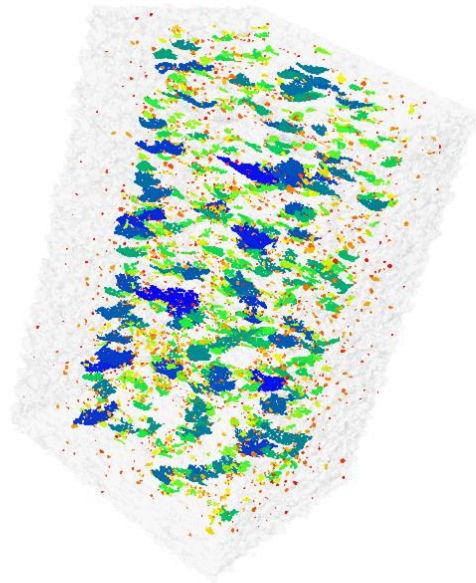


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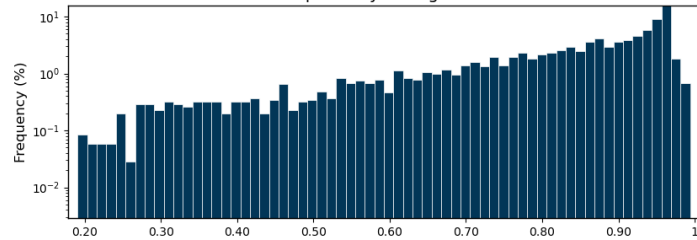


Titanium alloy rods- Void analysis

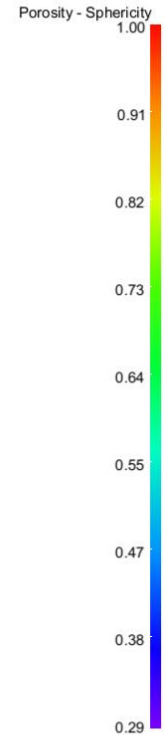
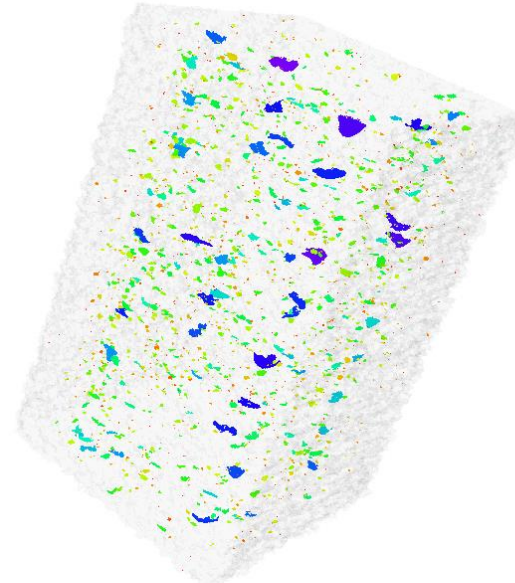
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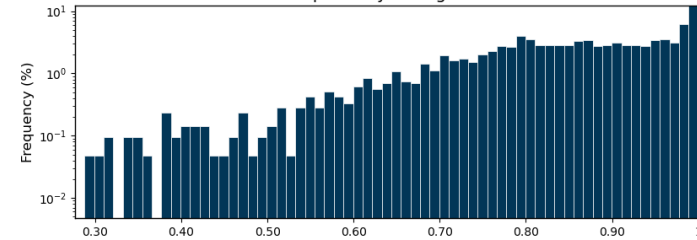
Sphericity Histogram



Sample C1



Sphericity Histogram



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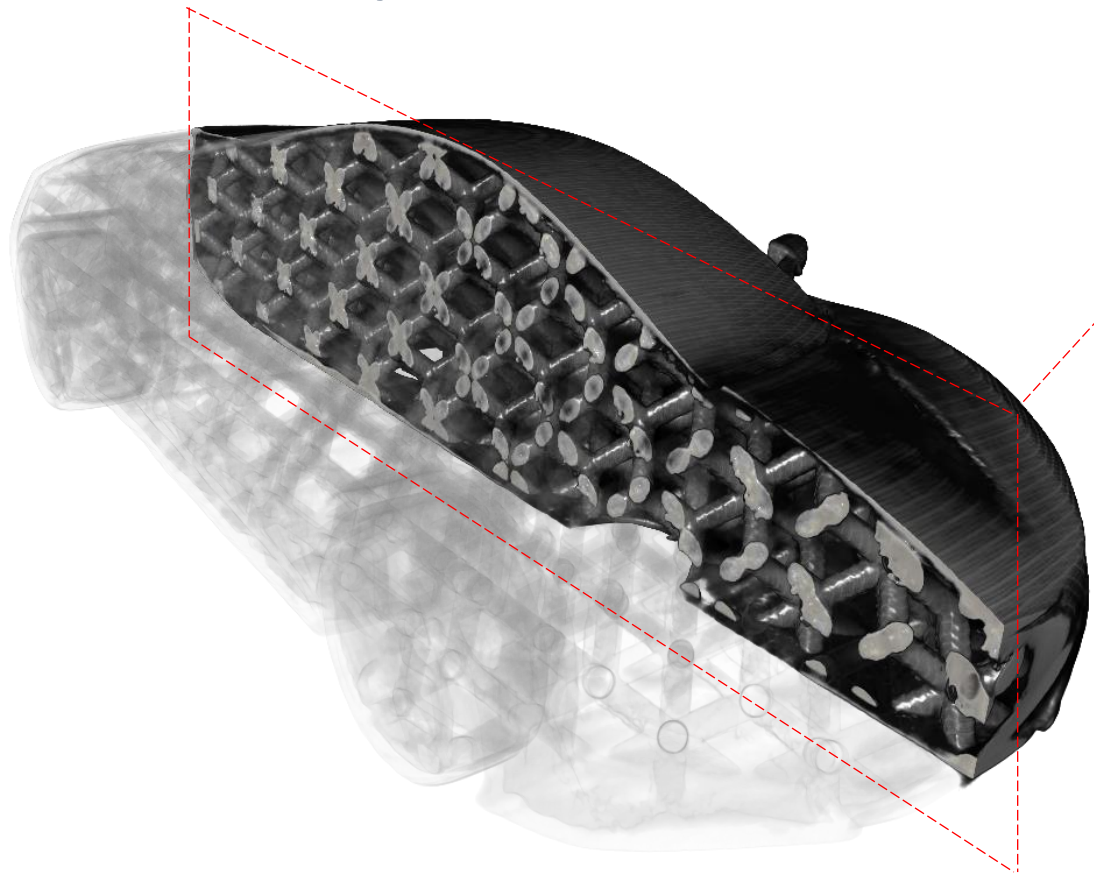
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Superalloy (Inconel[®])- CT scan process

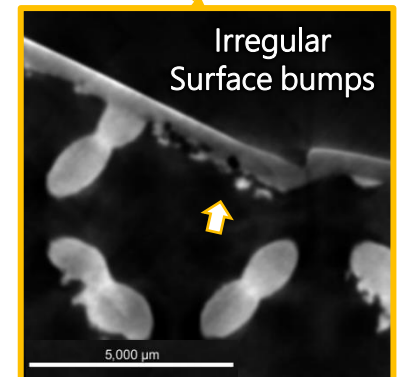
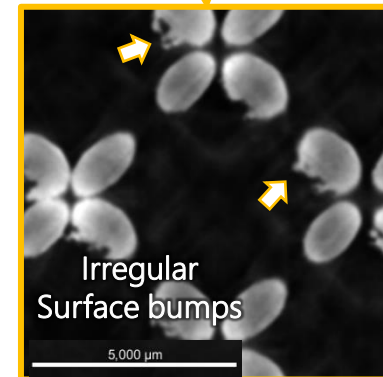
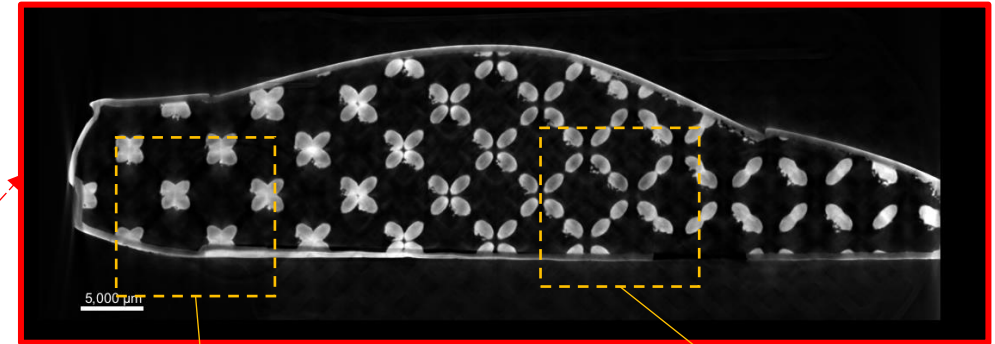


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Superalloy (Inconel®)- 3D visualization

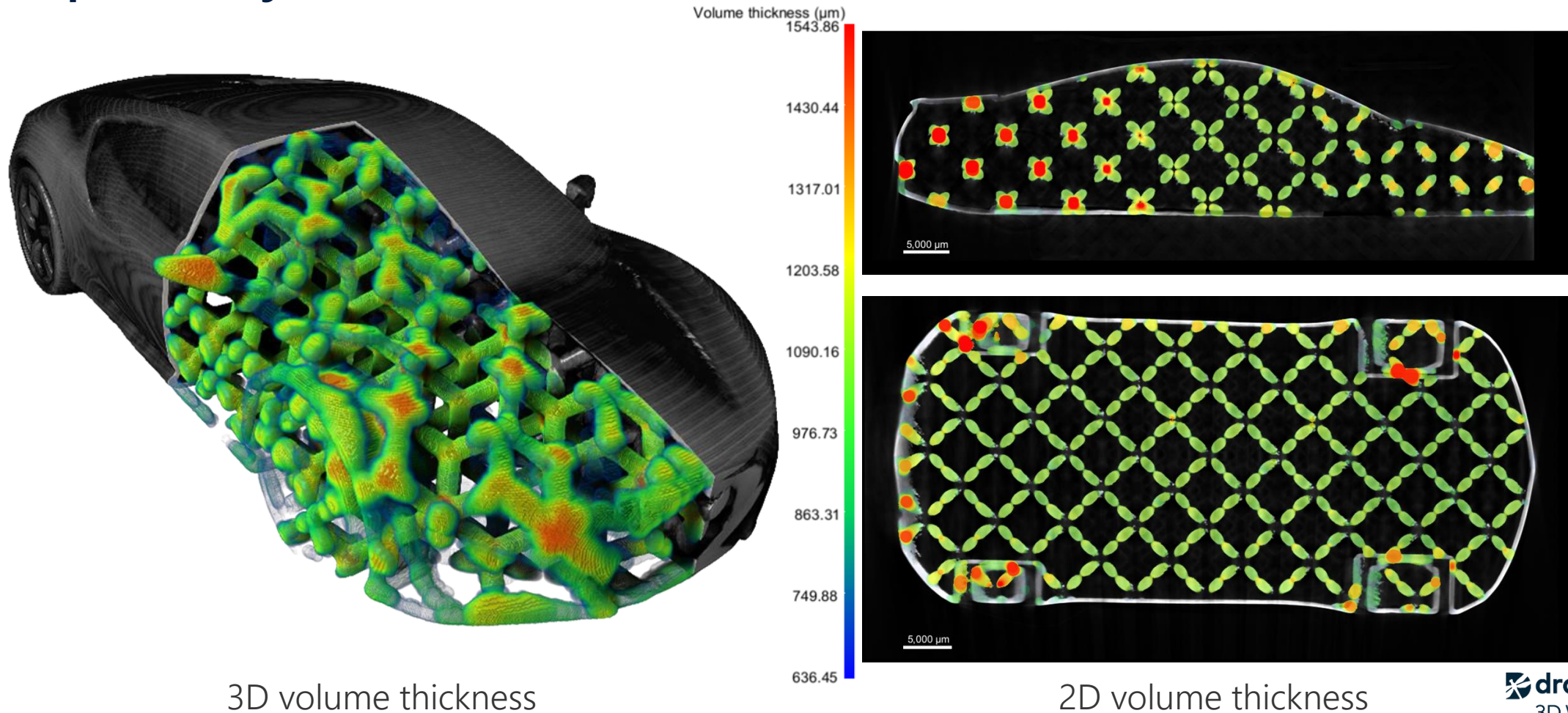


3D render



2D views

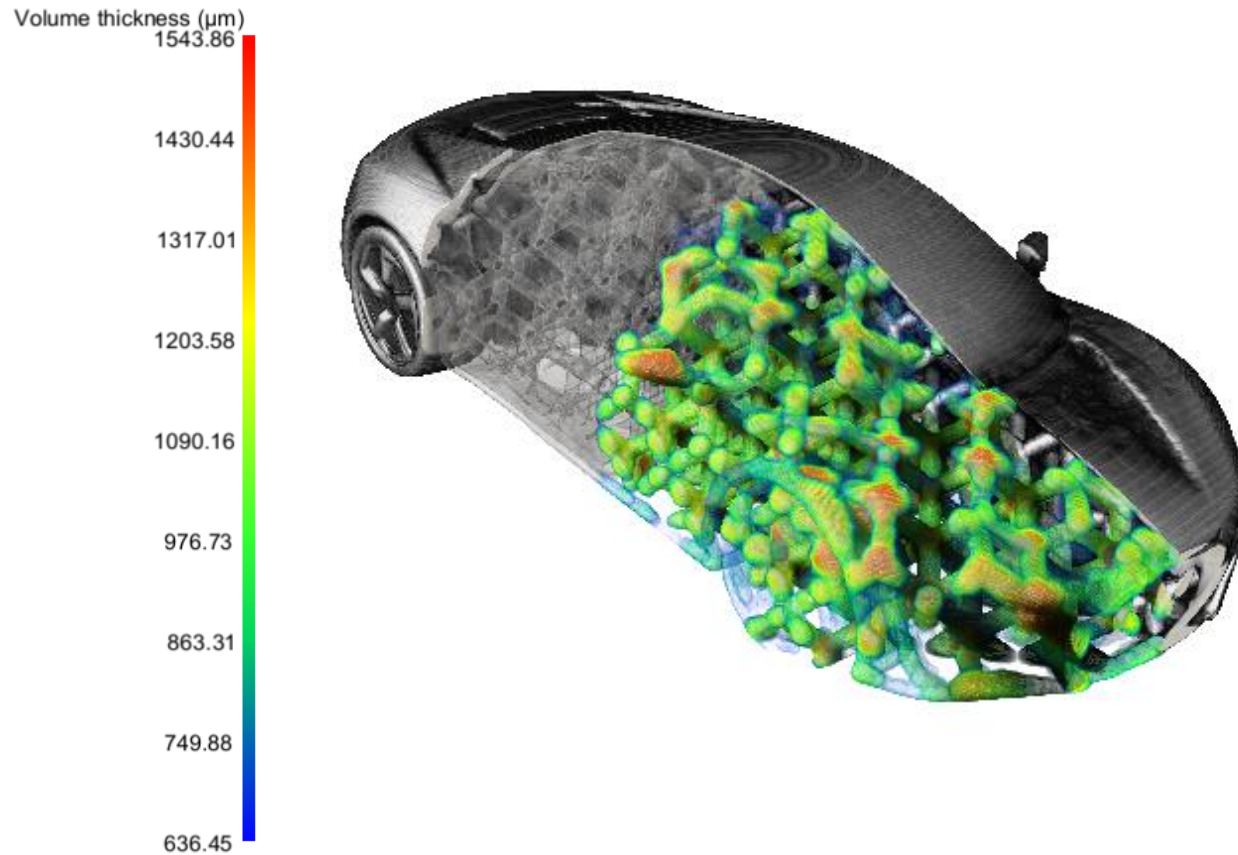
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3D volume thickness

2D volume thickness

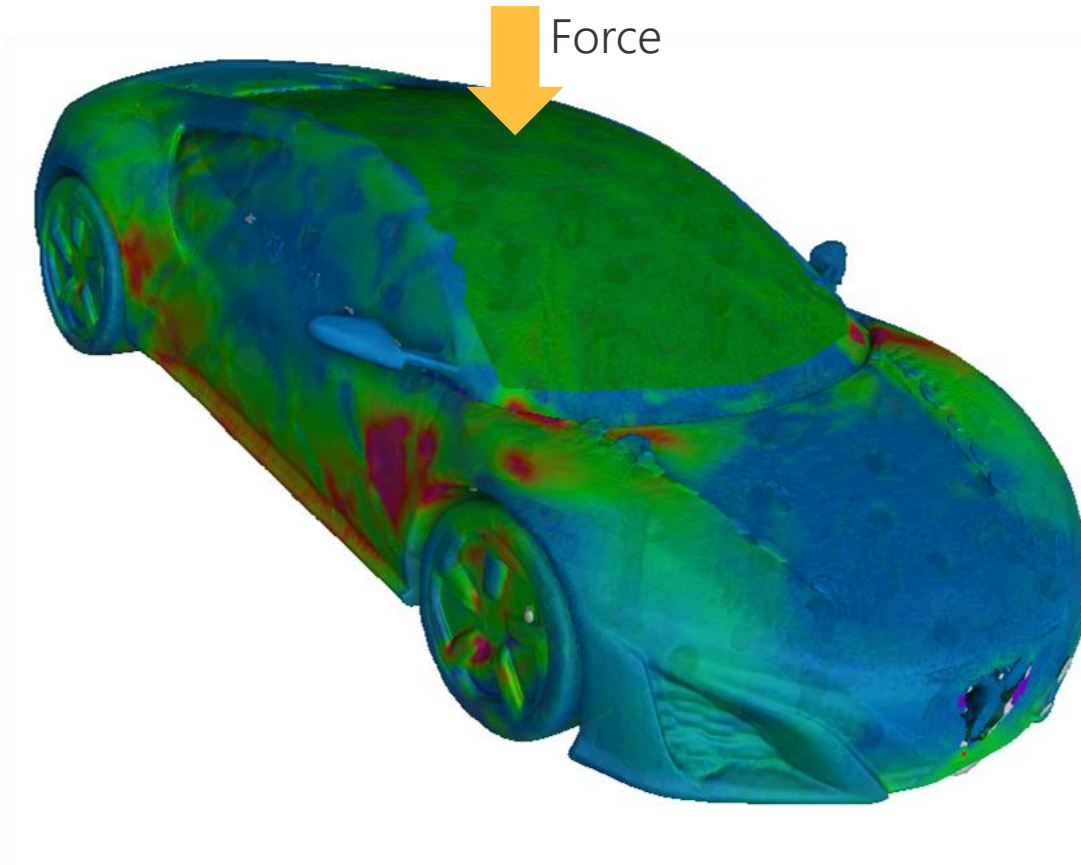
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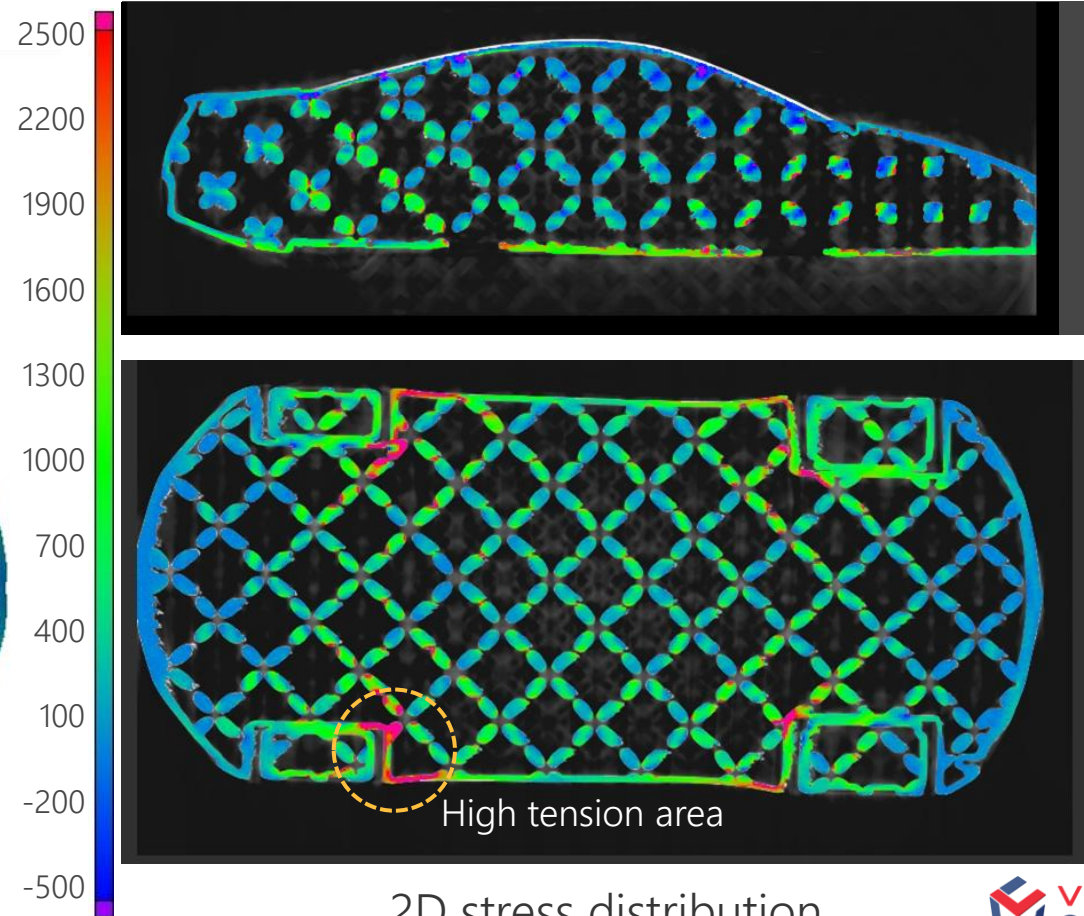
- Simulation
- Load distribution

Superalloy (Inconel[®])- Load simulation

Max. principal stress [MPa]



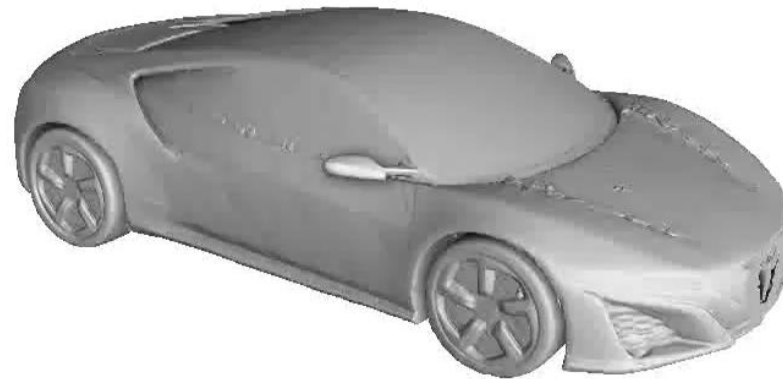
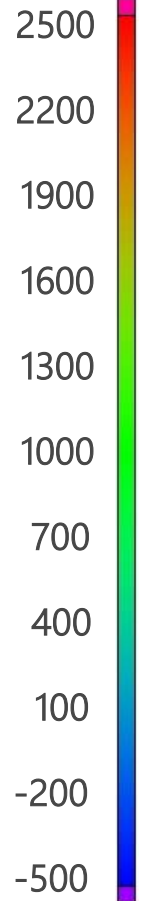
3D stress distribution



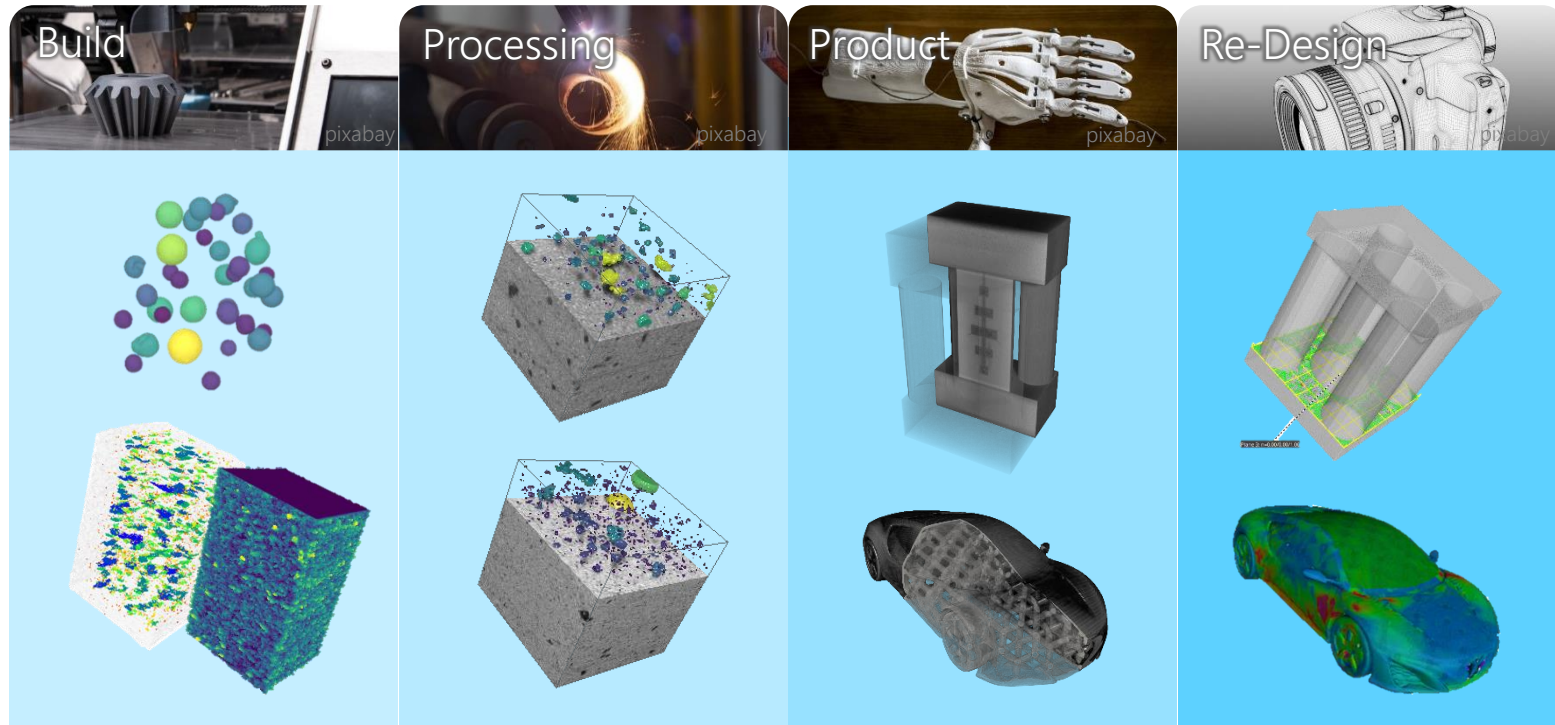
2D stress distribution

Superalloy (Inconel[®])- Load simulation

Max. principal stress [MPa]



Examples summary





You have learned

- What is additive manufacturing (AM)
- Why structure analysis is vital to AM
- What is x-ray CT
- How x-ray CT helps you throughout AM

Q & A Session



Year End Survey

[Link to survey](#)