

# Impact of Design for Additive Manufacturing (DfAM)



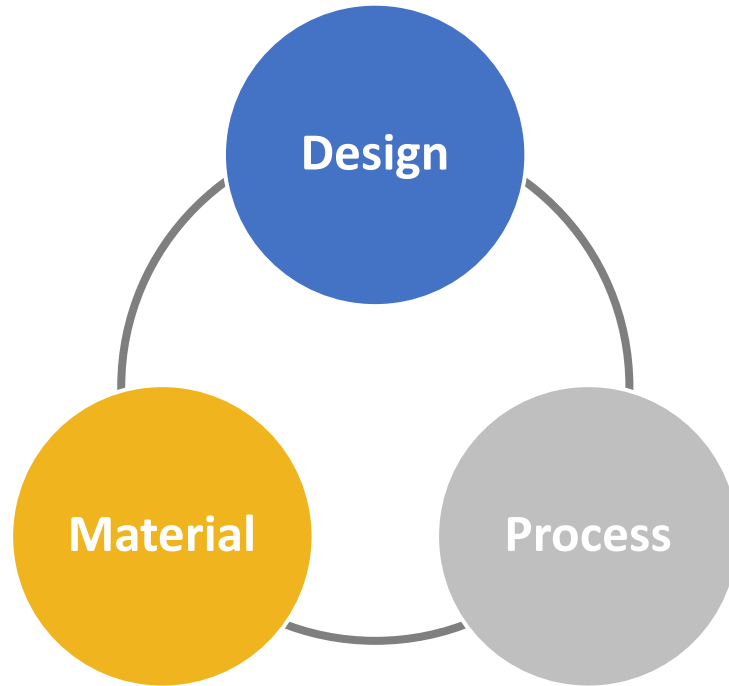
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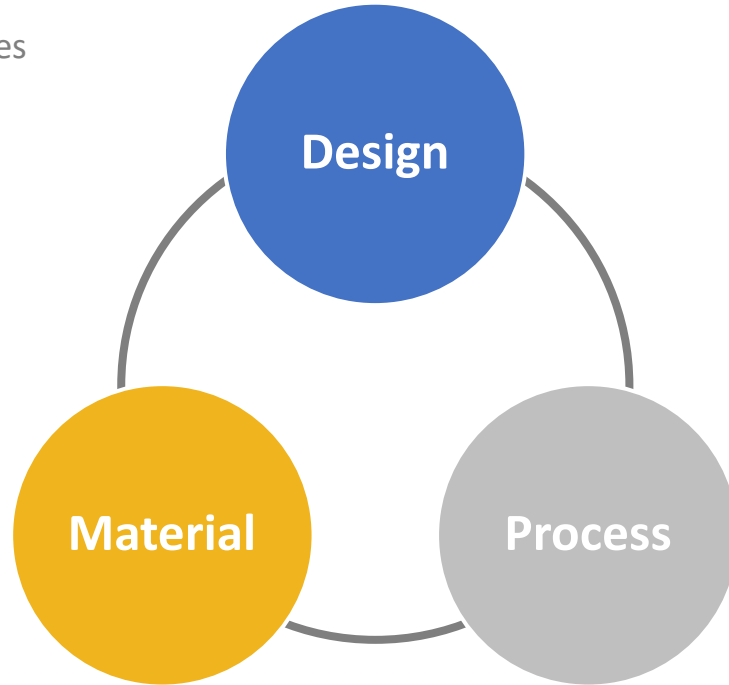


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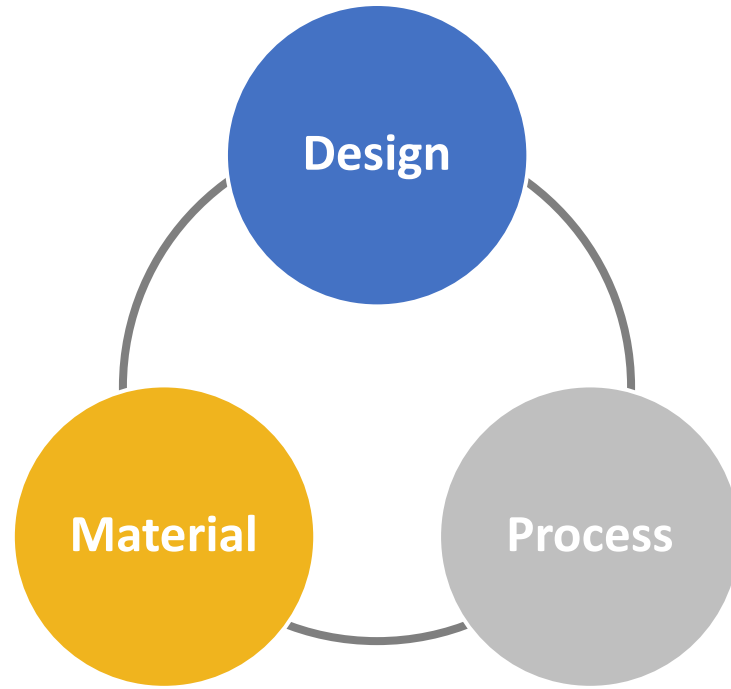
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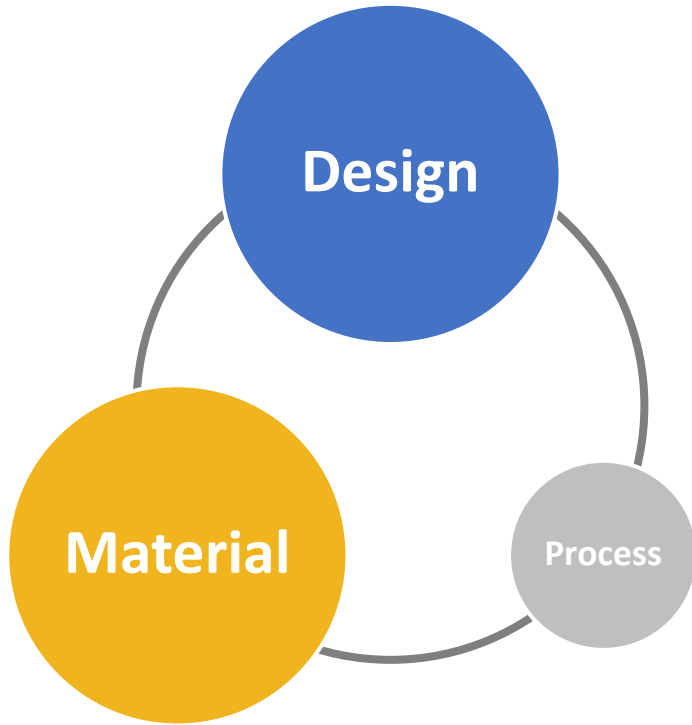


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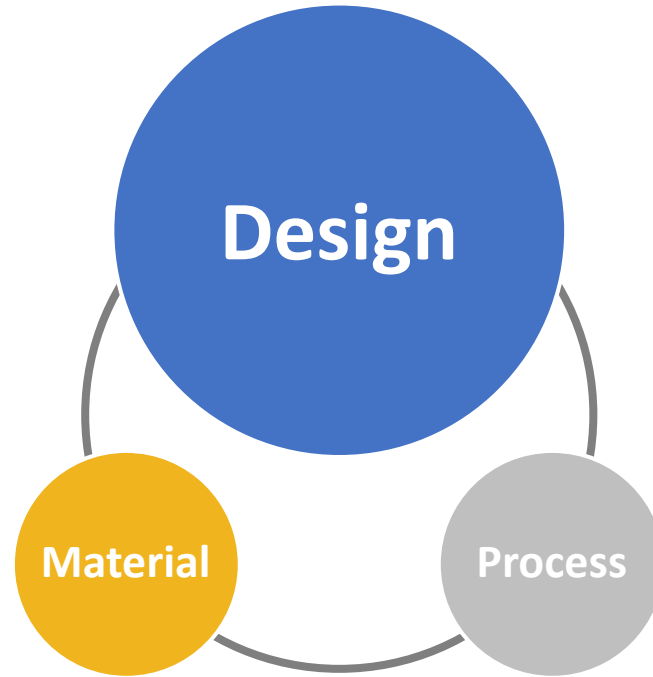


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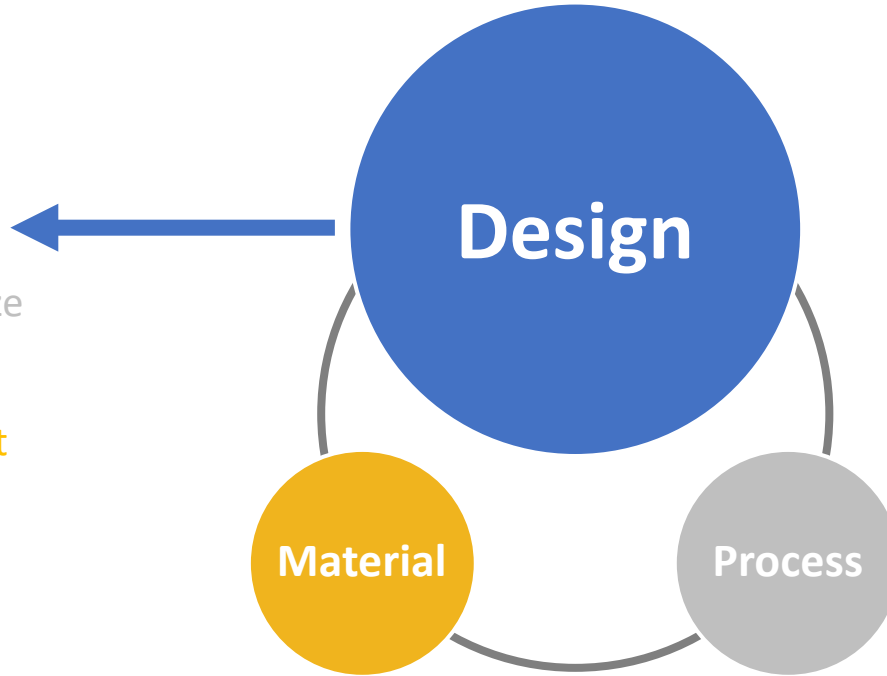
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## What determines performance?

### What is the impact of design?

1. Design for printability and optimize production
2. Design for improvements and part performance





Impact of Design

# Design for printability and optimize for production



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# Optimize for Production

## LS Laser Sintering

PA, PA-GF, PA-Alu filled, TPU



## SLA Stereo Lithography Apparatus

PA, PA-GF



## MJF Multi Jet Fusion

PA, PA-GF



## FDM Fused Deposition Modeling

ABS, PC/ABS, PC, Ultem



## SLM Selective Laser Melting

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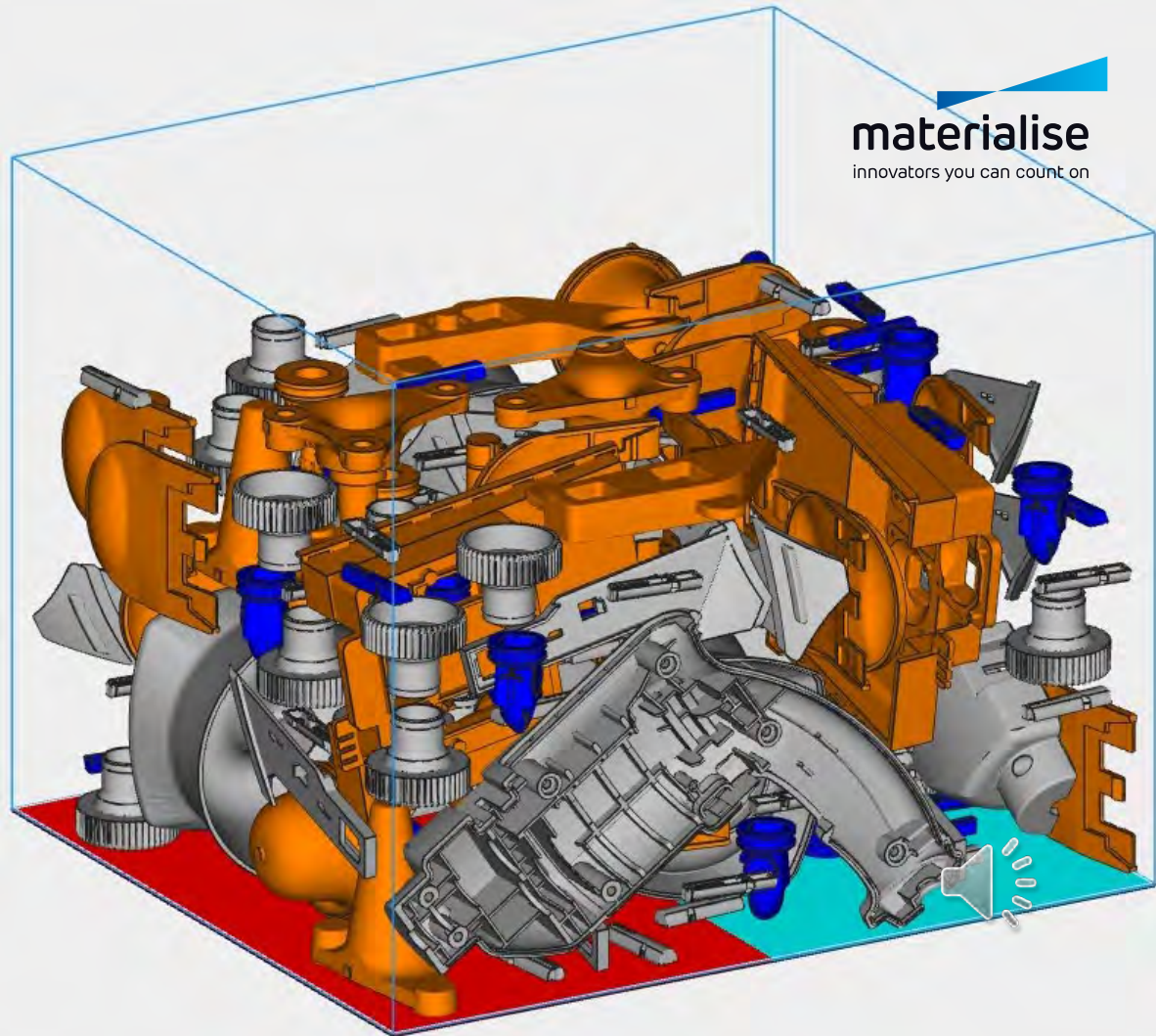


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## Optimize for Production

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- **Hollowing**
- **Minimizing build volume**
- **Depowdering holes**

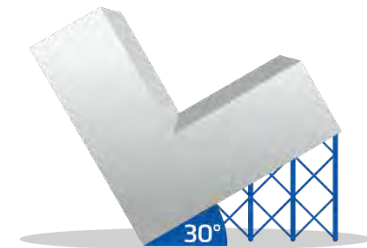




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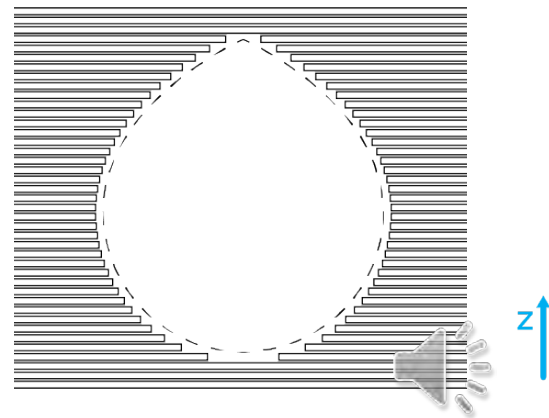


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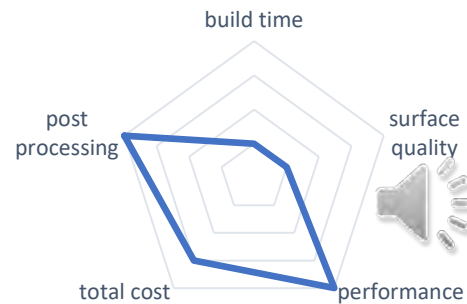
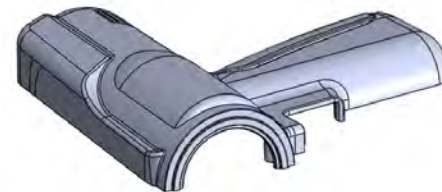
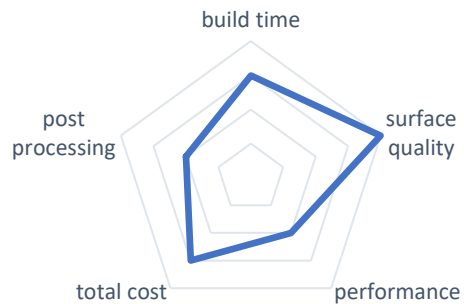
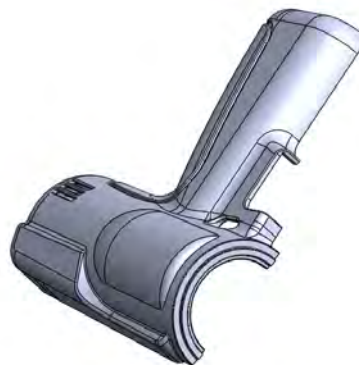
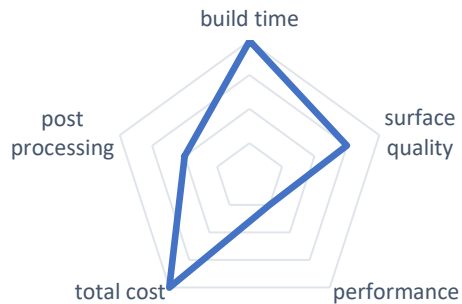
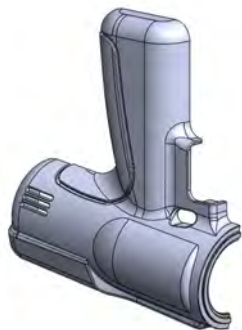
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# Optimize for Production

## Impact of Build Orientation





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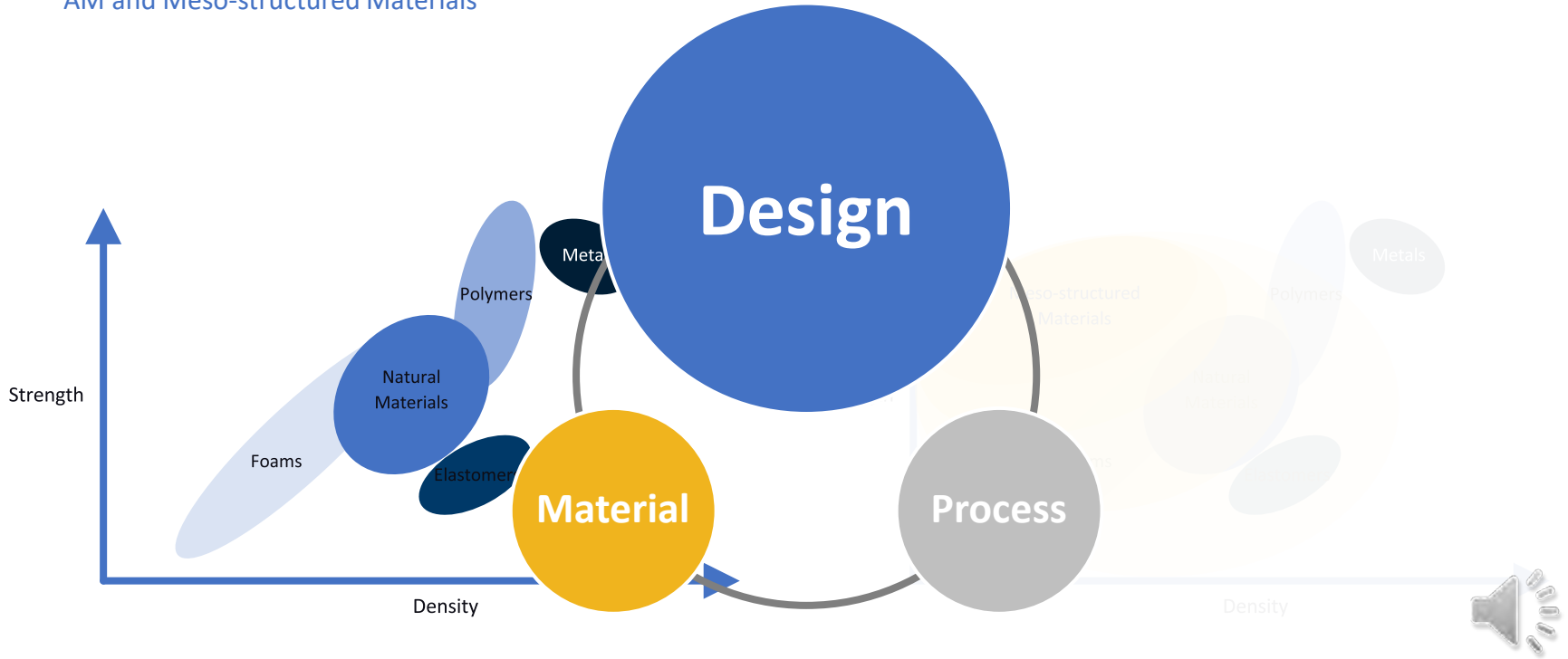
# Design for improvements and part performance



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# Improving Part Performance

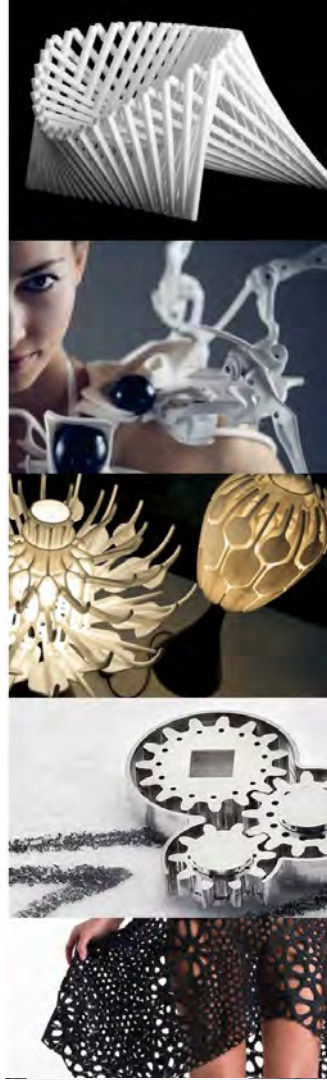
## AM and Meso-structured Materials





## Improving Part Performance

- Maximize Strength/Weight ratio
- Enhance Part Performance
- Function Integration



## Improving Part Performance

- **Maximize Strength/Weight ratio**
  - **Topology optimization**



## Improving Part Performance

### Topology optimization



- **Topology Optimization:**

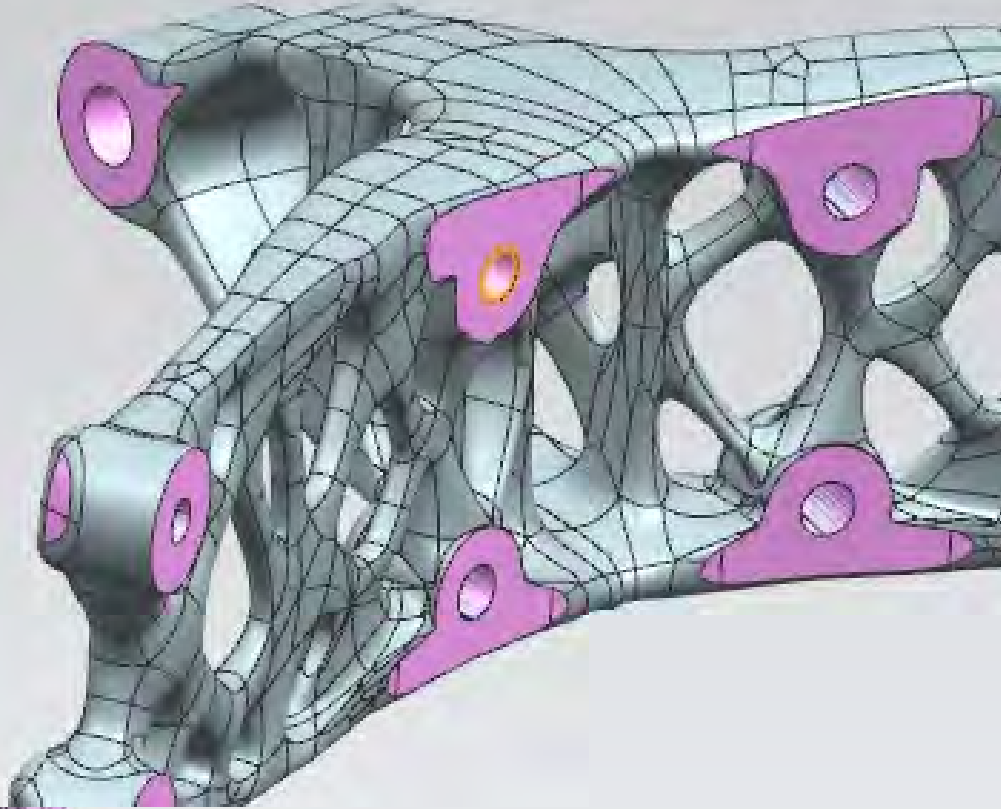
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# Improving Part Performance

## Topology optimization



- **Topology Optimization:**

Additive design approach to redesign a part using the design freedom that AM provides.

- Identify take over points/ boundary conditions
- Define design space
- Define load scenarios
- Run topology optimization
- Redesign part according to the topology optimized result.
- Validate the design with an FEA study



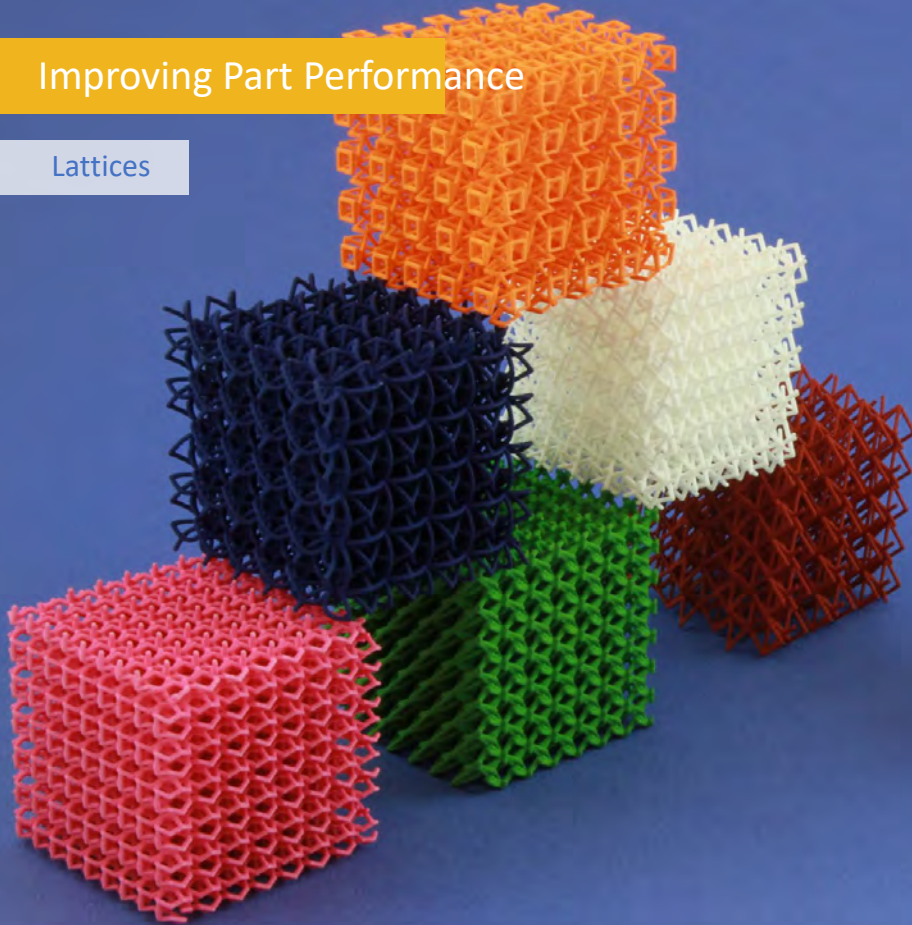
## Improving Part Performance

- **Maximize Strength/Weight ratio**
  - **Topology optimization**
  - **Lattices**



## Improving Part Performance

### Lattices



Design feature only possible in AM

- Decrease weight
- Flexibility
- Impact absorption
- Heat
- Esthetic design feature
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  - Flexibility
  - Isotropic stiffness (gyroid)
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## Improving Part Performance

### Lattices



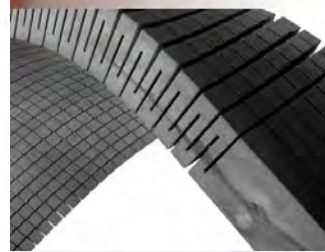
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### Textures

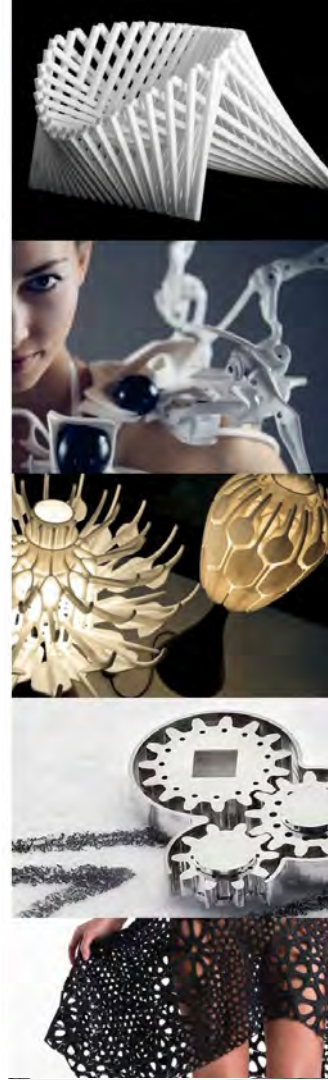


- Added functionalities using surface texturing:
  - Acoustic dampening
  - Hide of build imperfections (staircase effect,...)
  - Add functionality without post-processing
  - **Surface roughness**



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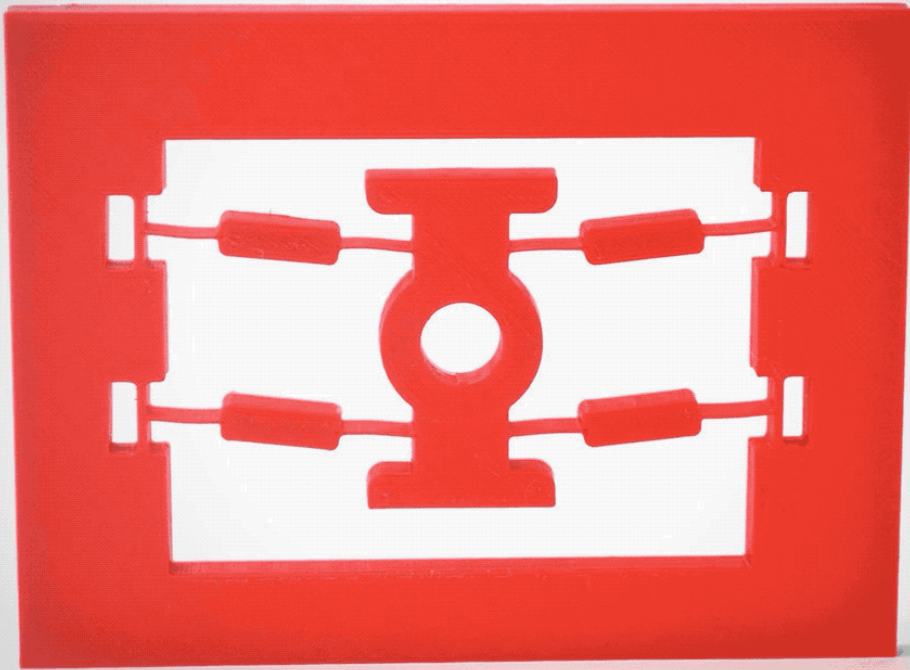
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  - Compliant mechanisms





## Improving Part Performance

### Compliant mechanisms

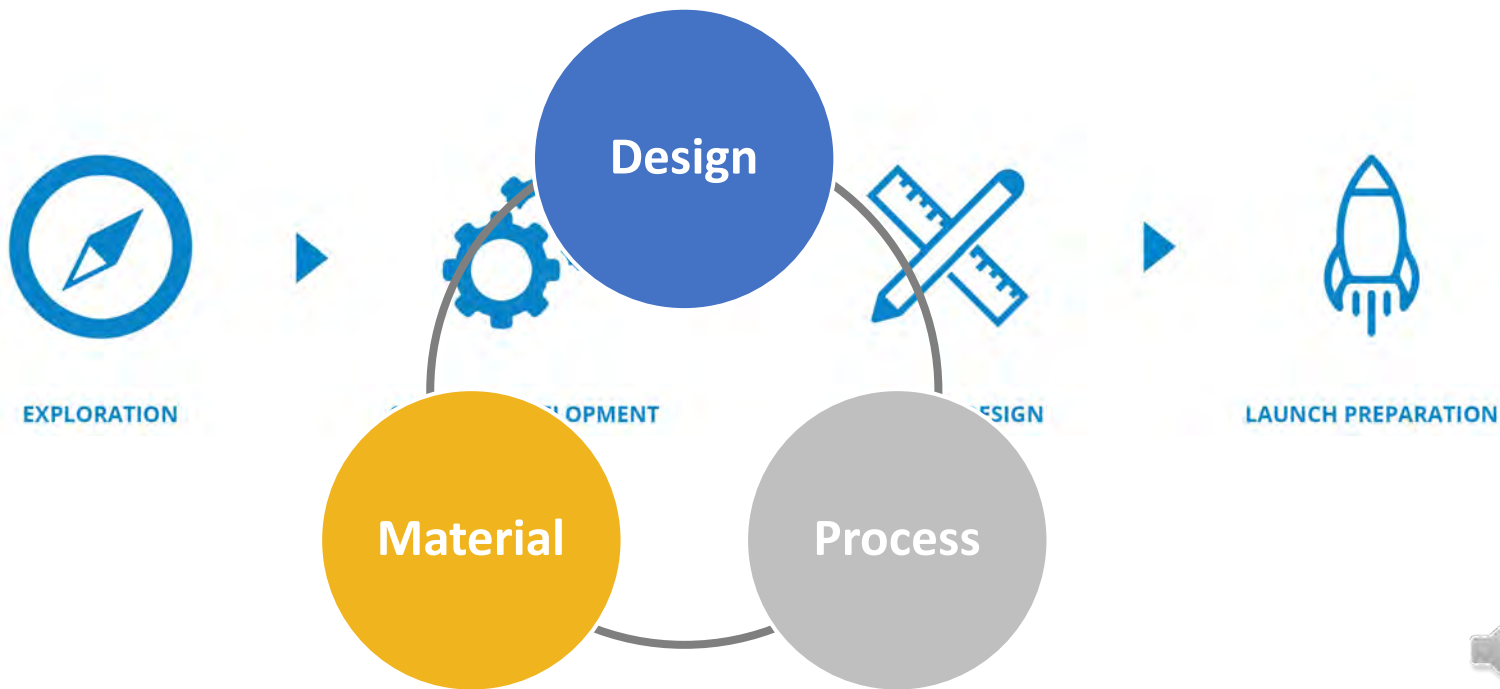


- Use flexibility as a mechanism
- Parts consolidation
- Reduce assembly cost





# What determines performance?



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