

# Additive Manufacturing Application in Aviation – Potential and Challenge

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# Outline

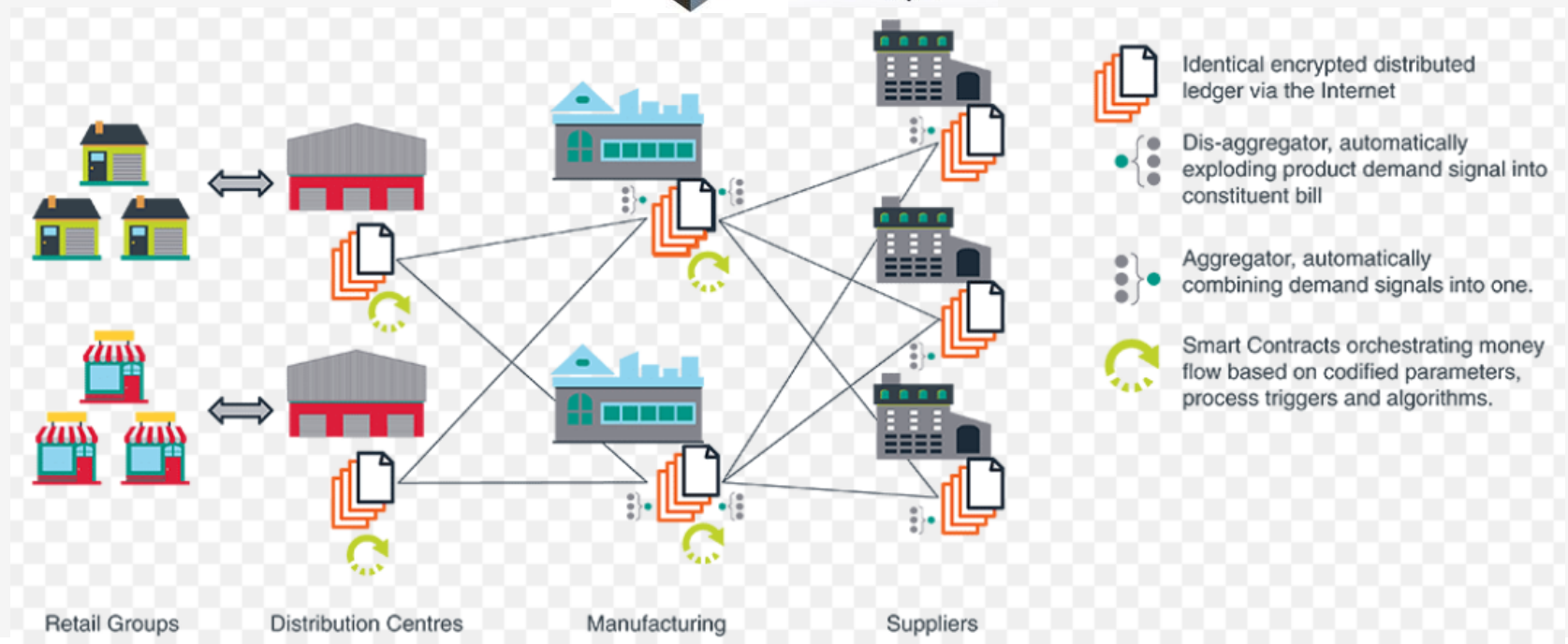
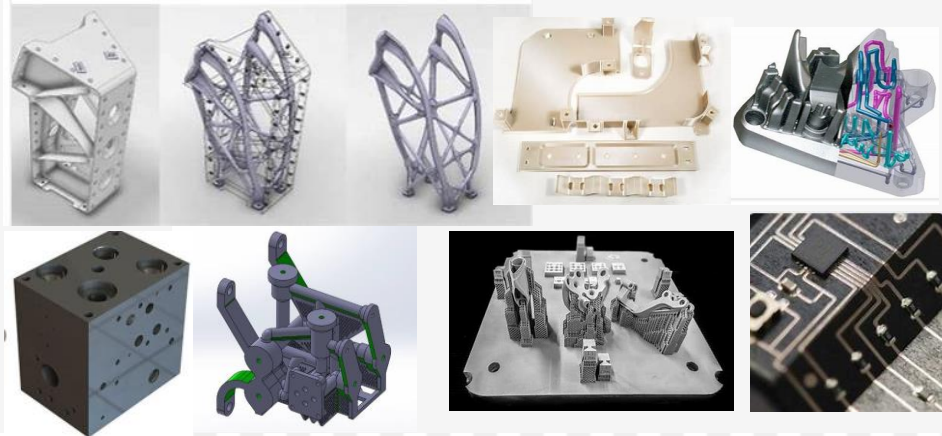
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- Review of AM and its application in flight operation
- Guidelines and Standards
- Challenges & trend
- AM In ST Engineering Aerospace

# Attraction of AM

## – Expectation

- Disruptive technologies
- Huge potential
- Environmental effect



# AM Parts in Flight Operation

– Published examples for new products

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GE additively manufactured single part fuel nozzles, which were formerly composed of 20 different parts. Used in GE's LEAP engines, these nozzles are five times more durable than those produced with conventional methods. It is also the first FAA approved 3D printed component in jet engine.

2015, GE Additive certified fuel nozzle



2017, Boeing uses first FAA –approved 3D-printed parts



# AM Parts in Flight Operation

– Published examples for MRO sector

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First Airbus retrofitted part (Apr 2018)



*The panel has been finished to meet Airbus aesthetic requirements and, as such, will look like any other component to Finnair passengers. (Image courtesy of Materialise.)*

End User : Airlines

Aviation certification lead : Airbus

AM manufacturer : Materialise

First components for Etihad passenger planes (Nov 2018)



A look inside the cabin: The interior of an Etihad Boeing 777-300.

End User : Etihad

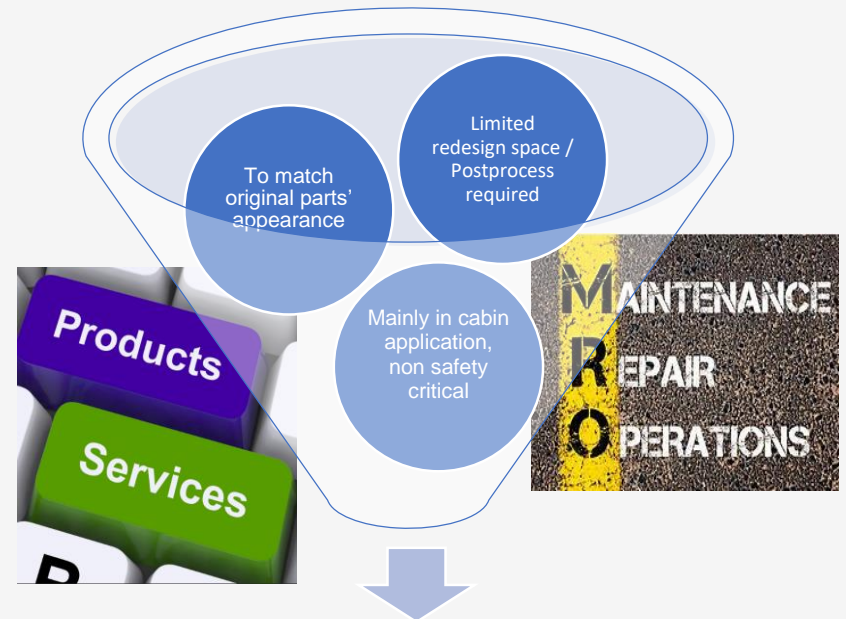
Aviation certification lead : Strata

AM manufacturer : Siemens

# Observation



**to realize AM benefit -  
performance/cost & weight**



**to realize parts availability - on  
time operation support**



# Guide from FAA, EASA

## Jan 2016, FAA Issue Paper on Method of Compliance: -

- Basic Materials Requirements: (§25.603)
- Basic Process Requirements: (§ 25.605)
- Inspection Methods
- Development of Strength and Design Values: (§25.613)
- Application of Special Factors: (§ 25.619)

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PROJECT:	[applicat] [model]	ITEM:	
REG. REF.:	[project number] §§ 25.603, 25.605, 25.613	STAGE:	2
NATIONAL POLICY REF:		DATE:	
SUBJECT:	Additive-manufacturing Material Alternables Test Program	ISSUE STATUS:	Open
		BRANCH ACTION:	ANM-113, ANM-115
		COMPLIANCE TARGET:	Pre-TC
<i>Method of Compliance</i>			
<b>STATEMENT OF ISSUE:</b> Structural elements manufactured using additive-manufacturing (AM) methods must be in full compliance with §§ 25.603, 25.605 and 25.613. The unique feature of AM materials is that their final mechanical properties are not attained until the actual fabrication of the near-final part. As such, the data used to design AM structure must account for not only the variability of the as-purchased material, but also the variability seen in the manufacturing process. The applicant should take extra care to ensure that design values they derive for any part fabricated using AM materials account for the various sources of variation of the AM methods used. Another			



Job Aid for  
Evaluating  
Additive  
Manufacturing  
Facilities and  
Processes



## Aug 2016, FAA “Job Aid for Evaluating Additive Manufacturing Facilities and Processes”: -

“a tool that aviation safety inspectors (ASI) can use to evaluate additive manufacturing of certificated aeronautical products.”



## April 2017, EASA “Certification Memorandum, Additive Manufacturing”: -

- CS X.603 Materials
- CS X.571 Fatigue & Damage Tolerance
- CS X.605 Fabrication Methods
- CS X.613 Material Strength Properties and Material design Values
- CS X.853 Compartment Interiors

# Standards / Other Guidelines

- **ISO/ASTM52900**, Standard Terminology for Additive Manufacturing – General Principles – Terminology
- **ISO/ASTM52901**, Standard Guide for Additive Manufacturing – General Principles – Requirements for Purchased AM Parts
- **ISO/ASTM52910**, Standard Guidelines for Design for Additive Manufacturing
- **ISO/ASTM52915**, Standard Specification for Additive Manufacturing File Format (AMF) Version 1.2
- **ISO/ASTM52921**, Standard Terminology for Additive Manufacturing-Coordinate Systems and Test Methodologies

The four SAE aerospace additive manufacturing technical standards are:

- **AMS7000**: Laser-Powder Bed Fusion (L-PBF) Produced Parts, Nickel Alloy, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant, 62Ni - 21.5Cr - 9.0Mo - 3.65Nb Stress Relieved, Hot Isostatic Pressed and Solution Annealed
- **AMS7001**: Nickel Alloy, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant, Powder for Additive Manufacturing, 62Ni - 21.5Cr - 9.0Mo - 3.65Nb
- **AMS7002**: Process Requirements for Production of Metal Powder Feedstock for Use in Additive Manufacturing of Aerospace Parts
- **AMS7003**: Laser Powder Bed Fusion Process

1. ASTM F3055-14a Standard Specification for Additive Manufacturing Nickel Alloy (UNS N07718) with Powder Bed Fusion
2. ASTM F3056-14e1 Standard Specification for Additive Manufacturing Nickel Alloy (UNS N06625) with Powder Bed Fusion
3. ASTM F3049-14 Standard Guide for Characterizing Properties of Metal Powders Used for Additive Manufacturing Processes
4. ASTM F2924-14 Standard Specification for Additive Manufacturing Titanium-6 Aluminum-4 Vanadium with Powder Bed Fusion
5. ASTM F3184-16 Standard Specification for Additive Manufacturing Stainless Steel Alloy (UNS S31603) with Powder Bed Fusion
6. ASTM F3122-14 Standard Guide for Evaluating Mechanical Properties of Metal Materials Made via Additive Manufacturing Processes
7. ASTM F3001-14 Standard Specification for Additive Manufacturing Titanium-6 Aluminum-4 Vanadium ELI (Extra Low Interstitial) with Powder Bed Fusion
8. ASTM F3302-18 Standard for Additive Manufacturing — Finished Part Properties — Standard Specification for Titanium Alloys via Powder Bed Fusion
9. ASTM F3318-18 Standard for Additive Manufacturing — Finished Part Properties — Specification for AlSi10Mg with Powder Bed Fusion — Laser Beam
10. ASTM F3213-17 Standard for Additive Manufacturing — Finished Part Properties — Standard Specification for Cobalt-28 Chromium-6 Molybdenum via Powder Bed Fusion
11. ASTM F3303-18 Standard for Additive Manufacturing — Process Characteristics and Performance: Practice for Metal Powder Bed Fusion Process to Meet Critical Applications
12. ASTM F3301-18a Standard for Additive Manufacturing — Post Processing Methods — Standard Specification for Thermal Post-Processing Metal Parts Made Via Powder Bed Fusion 1, 2
13. ASTM F2971-13 Standard Practice for Reporting Data for Test Specimens Prepared by Additive Manufacturing



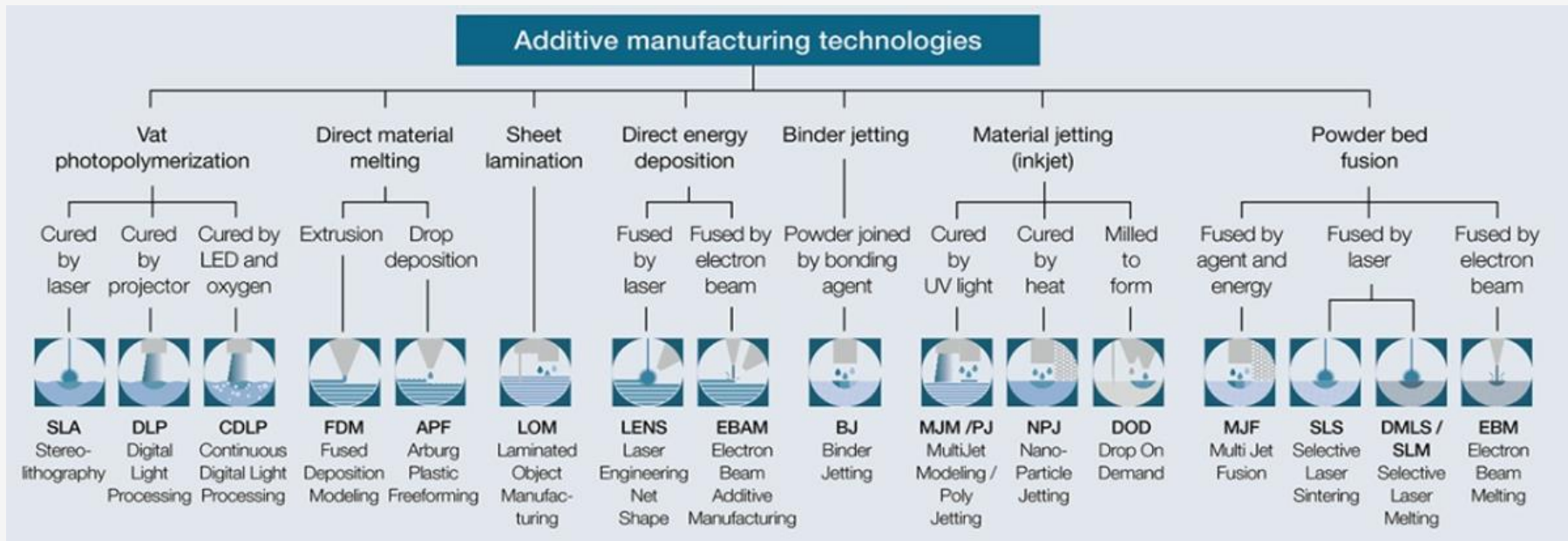
- Projection of AM adoption



# Challenges

“Job Aid for Evaluating Additive Manufacturing Facilities and Processes” states: -

*The term Additive Manufacturing itself does not describe **one manufacturing method**, but a wide range of methods, each with its own set of concerns and requirements.*



# Challenges



Process qualification and parts certification

- Complexity and verity
- Different level of maturity
- Pre-process and post-process

long lead time



End user acceptance

- Limited applications to over perform conventional manufacturing methods in cost
- Yet to be established for entire product cycle
- Lack of in service experience/data

low demand



Adoption issues

- High cost
- Limitations
- Violation of copyrights - counterfeit products

high investment, limitations and risks

# Trend

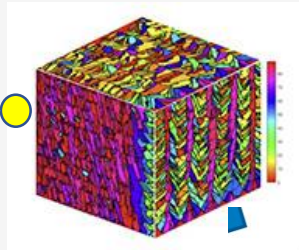
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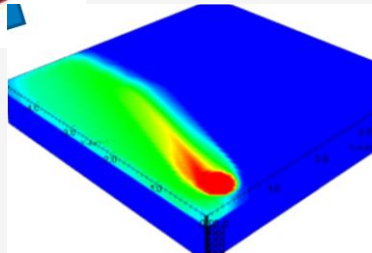
Collaboration



*can achieve 10 times more productivity and up to 50% less cost per part*



Prediction by analysts



Promise of performance progression

# Smart MRO

## SMART MRO

### SMART DIGITISATION



PAPERLESS  
SHOPFLOOR  
SYSTEMS



MANAGEMENT  
SYSTEMS:  
QUALITY,  
CONTINUOUS  
IMPROVEMENT



### SMART ROBOTICS



MOBILITY  
LOGISTICS



REPAIR  
INSPECTION



### SMART (ADDITIVE) MANUFACTURING



COMPLEX  
SHAPES



AIRCRAFT  
PARTS



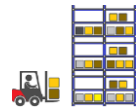
TOOLINGS



CERTIFICATION



### SMART ANALYTICS



INVENTORY



PREDICTIVE  
PREVENTIVE  
MAINTENANCE



VIDEO &  
VISUALS



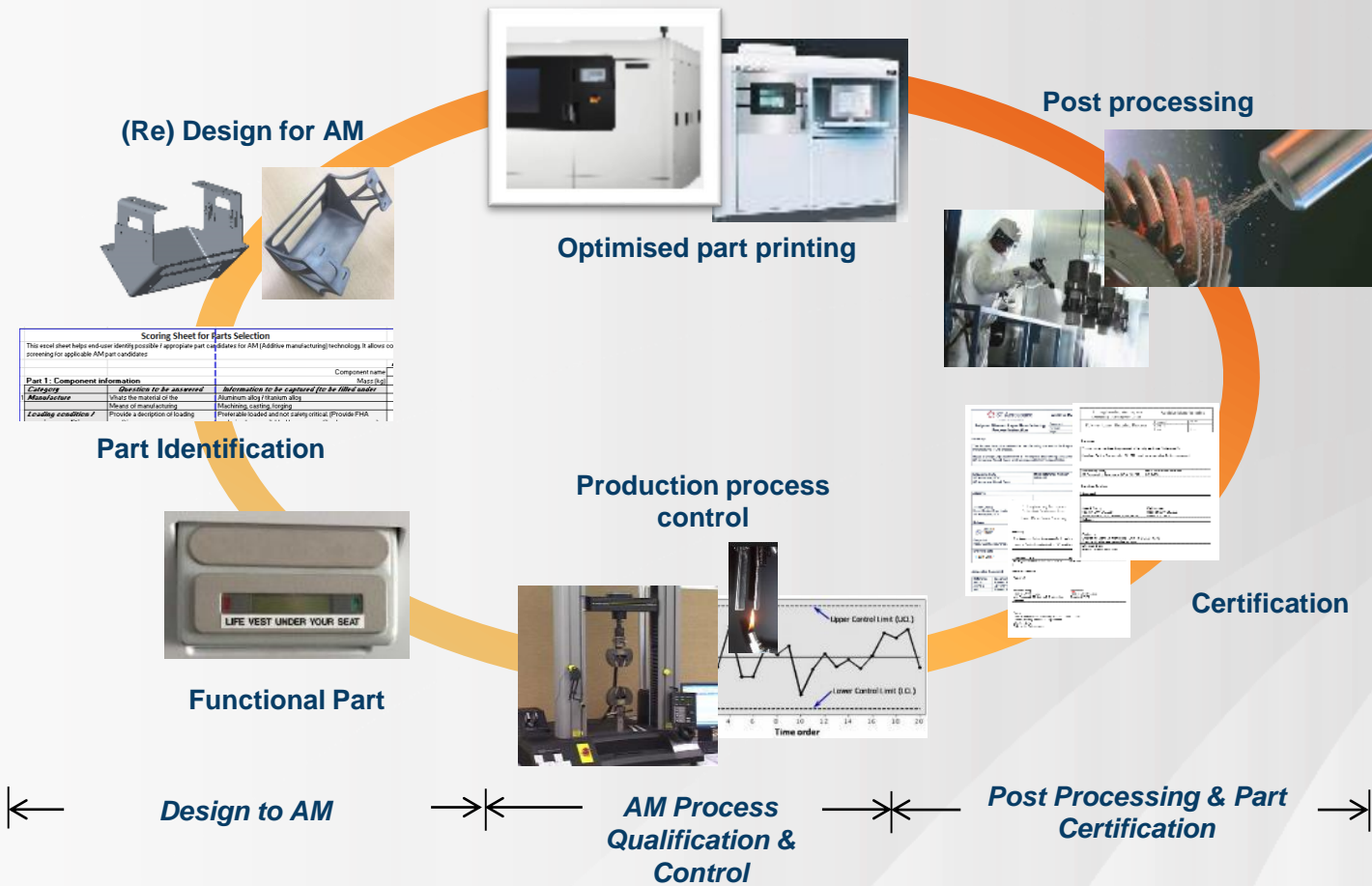
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# A Progressive Approach








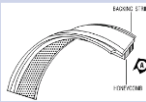


# Build AM Value Chain - Collaboration



# Continued Innovation & Embrace the Future

- Professional activities
  - SAE /ASTM /ISO
  - EASA /CAAS
  - Research/Industrial updates
  - CTP (Capability Transfer Program) - training
- SC3DP – Industrial Postgraduate Program
- HLIs collaborations - A\*Star, Nanyang Polytechnic, National University of Singapore
- Printing System OEMs – EOS, Stratasys, etc
- Post process development
  - Coating systems
  - Surface treatment processes
  - Supply chain development tap into JIP (Jointed Industry Program)

R&D collaboration	
 <p>Lattice structure wings</p>	Design and print UAV wings with optimised design
   	Optimised design and printing processes, new material and new
	New system using wire direct deposition technology

# Thank You