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M3DP – WHEN 3D COMPONENTS GROW BEYOND THE POWDER BED!





ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING WITH HIGH EFFICIENCY

credit: Syrovatka *courtesy RHP*



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AM-SOLUTIONS @ SBI











AM – A SHORT OVERVIEW



Classification of AM-processes according to ASTM F-42



ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING BY PMD®

- The plasma torch is moved by a CNC gantry system along an arbitrary path and creates a weld pool on a substrate plate.
- By adding wire into the weld pool material deposition is achieved. Putting one deposition over the previous a desired part can be generated.
- **PMD** is a "**near net shape**" process and means that post processing like lathing and milling are almost always necessary.
- The process works with all fusion weldable metals like steel, nickle-base alloys, titanium, aluminium,...
- The **M3DP** is a pure AM-system and therefore has no subtractive function





PMD COMPARED WITH OTHER AM TECHNOLOGIES





PMD[®] – PLASMA METAL DEPOSITION





M3DP - MODULAR BUILD CHAMBER



Buildvolume 2000 x 600mm x 600mm 5-Axis-System for 2.5D build-up



Buildvolume Ø1000mm x 800mm 8-Axis-System for 3D build-up



GEOMETRIES

• Cylindric

- tubes
- pipes



• 2.5D & 3D parts

- Structural parts
- consoles
- Print2Forge



Spherical

- Domes
- Tanks





• Hybrid

- turbines
- bliscs
- repair
- Forge2Print





GEOMETRIES

High complexity

- Lattice structures
- Cooling channels



 Topological optimized structures



- High resolution / Net-shape
 - Screws





- Consolidated
 parts
 - Chainmail





M3DP OUR AM SYSTEM

Antiox - Active GAS Shield Technology*





M3DP-SL SCIENTIFIC LINE

Antiox - Active Gas Shield Technology*





Fully functional M3DP System with smaller footprint and many options for R&D





SBI ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING SOFTWARE





M3DP & M3DP-SL ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS

| | M3DP | M3DP-SL | | |
|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Dimensions | 5000 x 2400 x 4200 mm (X-Y-Z) | 1700 x 1400 x 2600 mm (X-Y-Z) | | |
| Buildvolume | 2000mm x 600mm x 600mm | Ø400 mm x 500 mm | | |
| Mass | 7.000kg | 3.000kg | | |
| max. payload | 650kg | 250kg | | |
| Airtight system | Yes - optional | Yes - optional | | |
| Feedstock | Metal wire & powder | Metal wire & powder | | |
| Energy source | Plasma arc | Plasma arc | | |
| Deposition rate | max. 10 kg/h for nickel-base-alloys 4,5 kg/h for titanium | max. 10 kg/h for nickel-base-alloys 4,5 kg/h for titanium | | |





PMD ROBOTIC









QUALITY MANAGEMENT

The AM process is supervised and controlled throughout the whole build up:

✓ SBI Camera system

process recording and visual supervision by operator

✓ SBI Datalogger (for all process paramters) coordinates, process parameters, errors,... which are connected to the video by timestamp

✓ 3D scanner implementation

3D scan of the deposited material after each layer and matching of the deposited structure with a should-be 3D model; adaptive Z-offset control

$\checkmark\,$ Pyrometer implementation

For checking interlayer temperature and temperature in general







APPLICATION STUDIES

- **o** Gearfork Bracket
- \circ 17-4 PH powder





• Space Telescope part

 \circ Ti Alloy powder + wire







STUDY: GEARFORK BRACKET

SUPREME

- ✓ Batch process
- ✓ Economic production
- ✓ Reduced post processing
- ✓ Reduced resources

- \circ 2.5 D production
- Use of base plate
- Water jet cutting + machining of holes / functional surfaces
- Argon box to save Argon (and keep fumes, residual powder)





STUDY: ATHENA SPACE TELESCOPE PART





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| 1 Segment | PMD [®] -ALM | Machining | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|------------|--|--|
| Raw Material need | 290 kg | 1.600 kg | | |
| Final Part weight | ca. 160 kg | ca. 160 kg | | |
| Buy to Fly (BTF) | ca. 1,8: 1 | ~ 10: 1! | | |
| Material Waste | 130 kg | 1.440 kg ! | | |



| Demonstrator | PMD [®] -ALM | Machining |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Raw Material need | 45 kg | 205 kg |
| Final Part weight | ca.25 kg | ca. 25 kg |
| Buy to Fly (BTF) | ca. 1,8:1 | ~ 8,4: 1! |
| Material Waste | ca. 20 kg | 180 kg ! |

6 Segments -> 8,6 tons of waste vs. 800kg of waste





EXAMPLE TITANIUM ALLOY

Material properties

| | Material | Origin | Mechanical properties | | |
|-----------|-----------|--------|-----------------------|-----------|--------|
| Standard | | | UTS MPa | YS MPa | A % |
| ASTM B348 | Grade 5 | Billet | 895- 1000 | 828-910 | 10-18 |
| ASTM B367 | Grade 5-C | Casted | 895 | 825 | 5 |
| RHP | Ti-6Al-4V | PMD | 895-930 | 825-865 | 10-13 |
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ADVANCED MANUFACTURING FOR USE IN SPACE

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