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Development of a digital twin to achieve enhanced processing efficiency and sustainability

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Circular Economy The Digital Economy The Digital Transformation of Business

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Why digitalization is critical to creating a global circular economy



Application of digital tools for enhancing processing efficiency, sustainability and circularity

- Process design optimisation
- Processing defect identification

Additive Manufacturing (3D Printing)





Medical Devices – Printed hip and spinal device

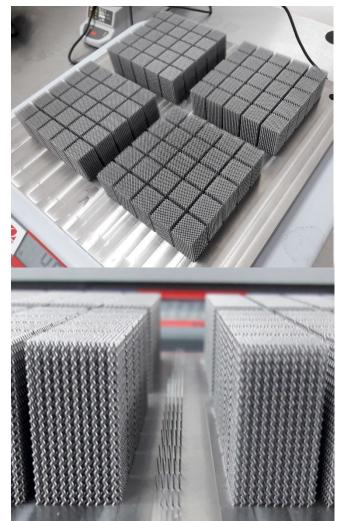


Aeronautics - Printed fuel injection nozzle

Additive Manufacturing - Printing system

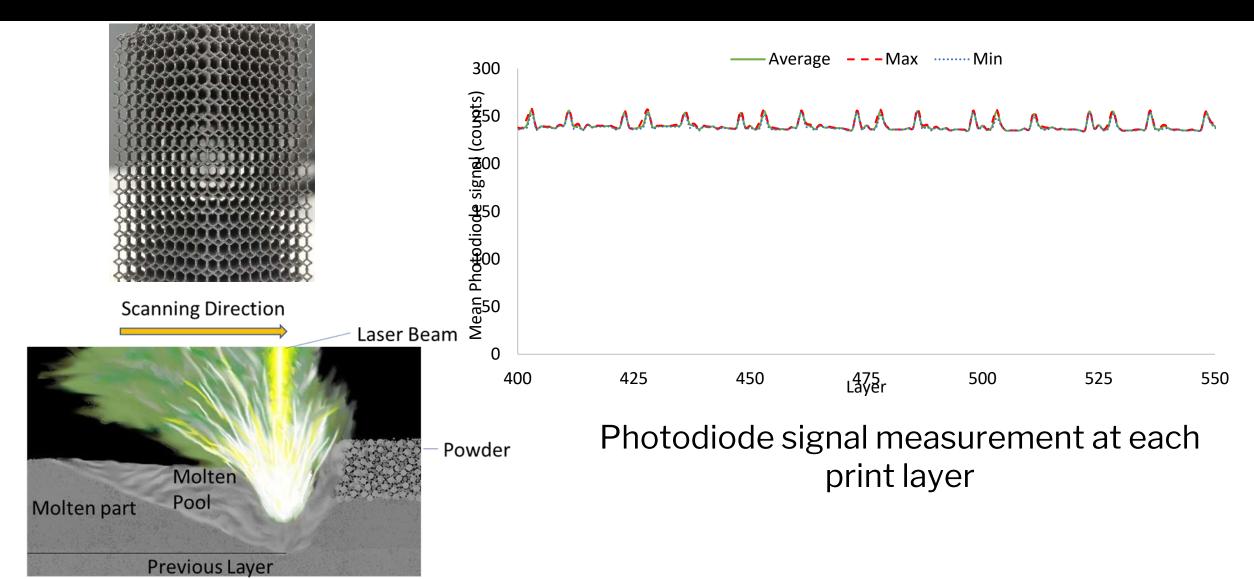






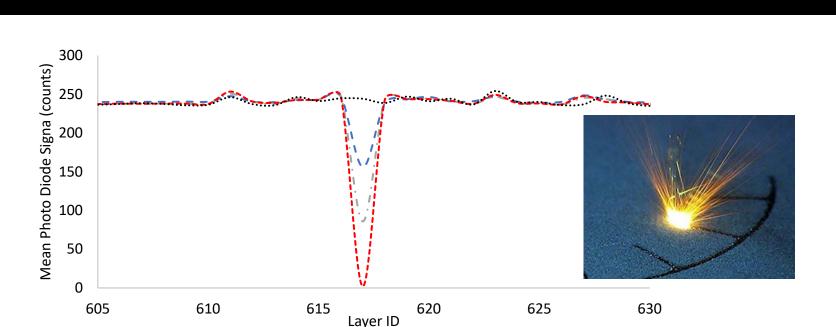
In-process monitoring during part printing



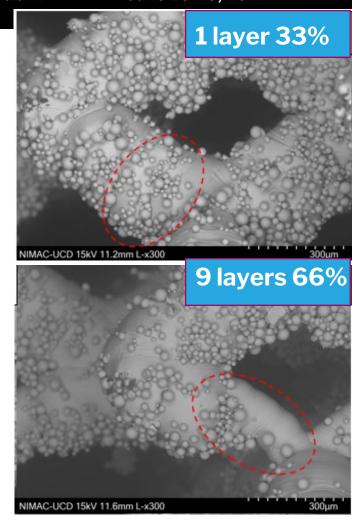


Influence of laser energy on build parts





Decrease in intensity of photodiode signal with a 33%, 66% and 100% reduction in laser energy at layer 617 (multiple lattice test samples)

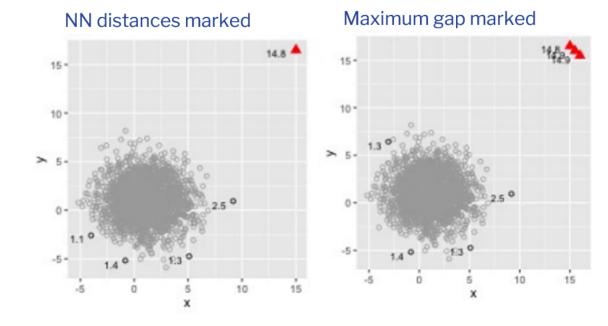


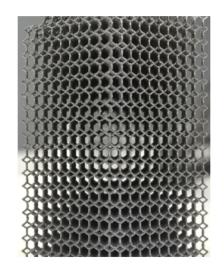
Reduction in the thickness of the lattice struts with decreased laser power (expressed as a %)

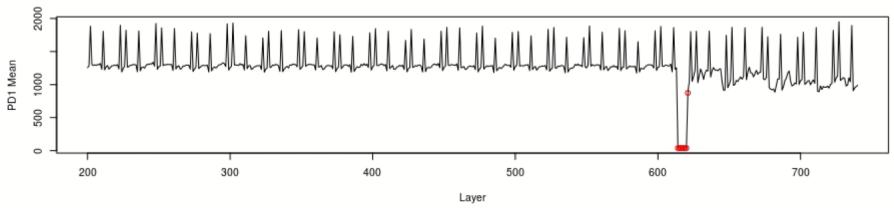
The STRAY algorithm – application to Additive Manufacturing



- The Search and TRace AnomalY (STRAY) algorithm calculates outlier scores for every point in the dataset
- The algorithm uses extreme value theory to calculate an anomalous threshold for these scores



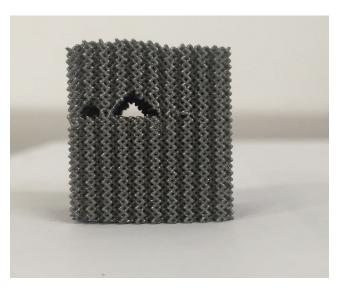




In-process sensor data obtained during the additive manufacturing process

Data Analytics - anomaly detection approaches

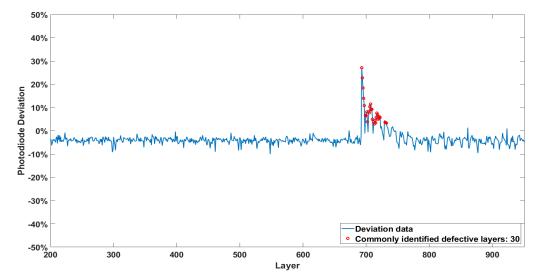




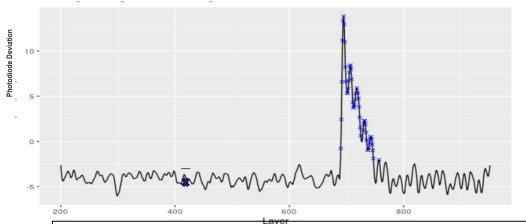
2 mm defect in a printed alloy lattice structure







Generalized
Extreme
Studentized
Deviate (GESD)
approach – 31
layers defective

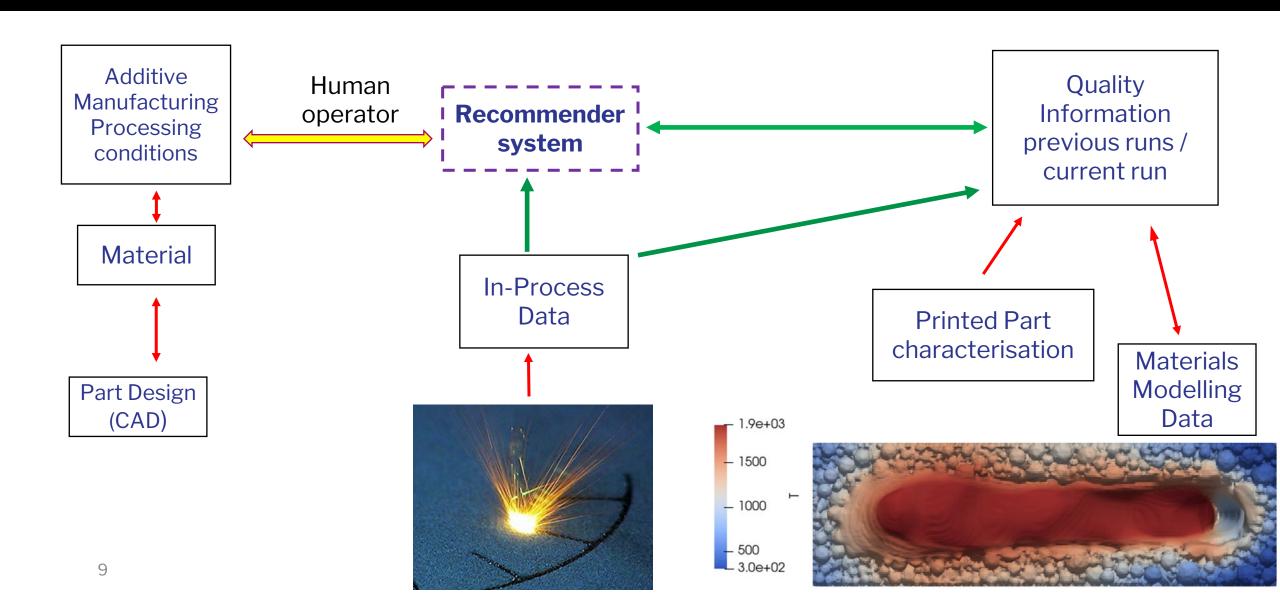


STReam AnomalY (STRAY) algorithm- 51 layers defective

Photodiode signal with print layer

Recommender System





Recommender System -process digital twin



- Strong correlation between in-process data and final part performance
- Rapid feedback to operator (<20 Sec.)
- Selection of data analysis approach
- Incorporation of data from previous studies also modelling data
- System continually updated (digital twin)

