

3D printing & poroelastic media

Features, artifacts and the bigger picture

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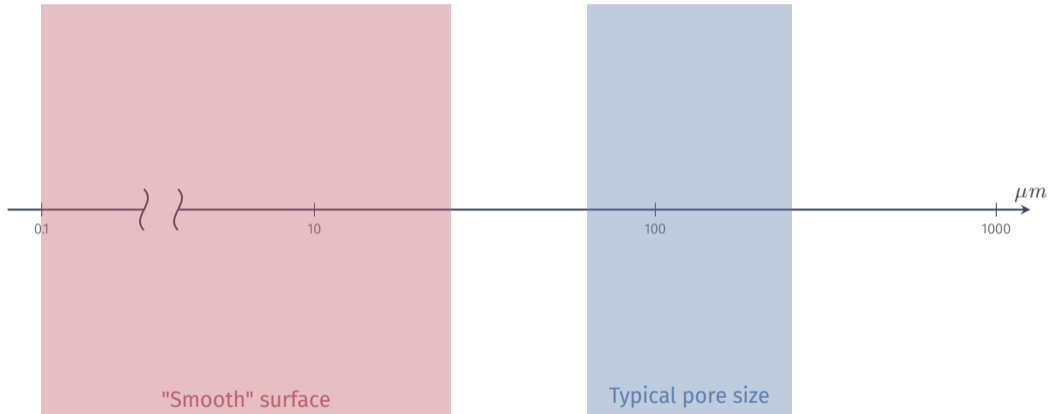
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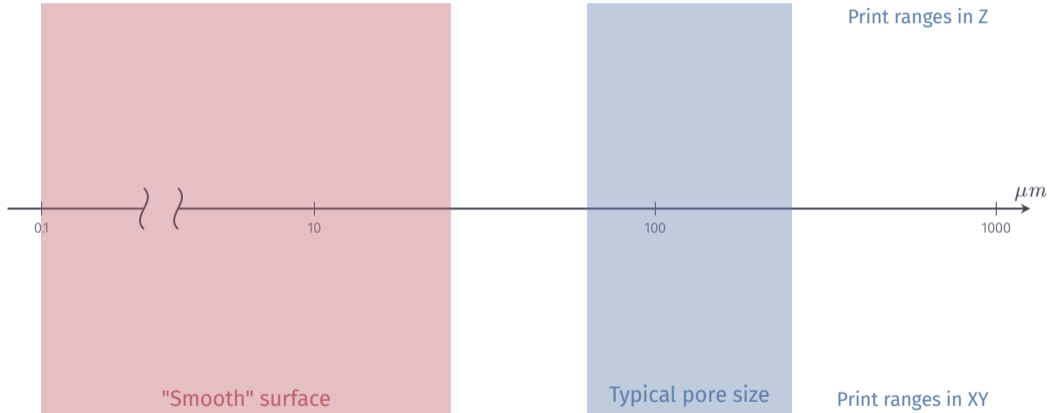
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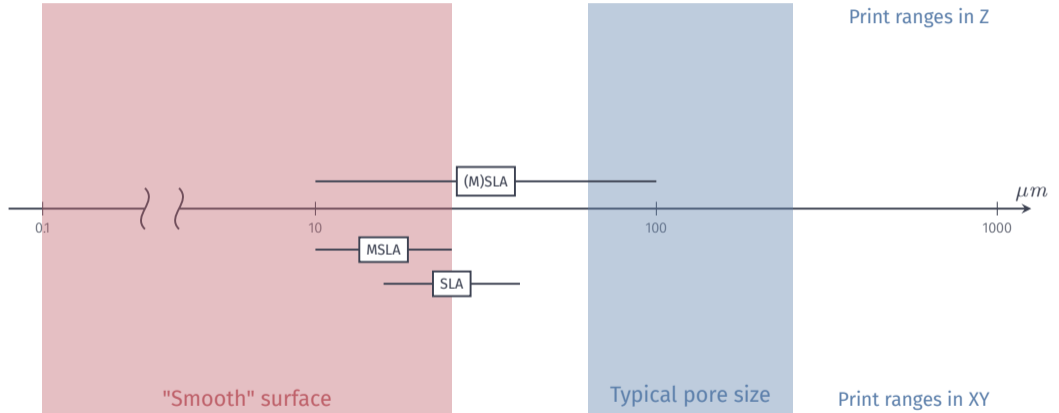
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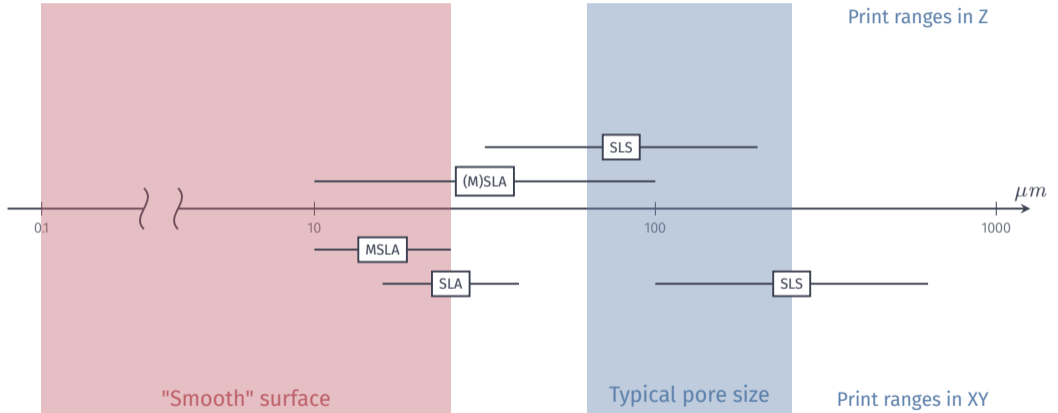
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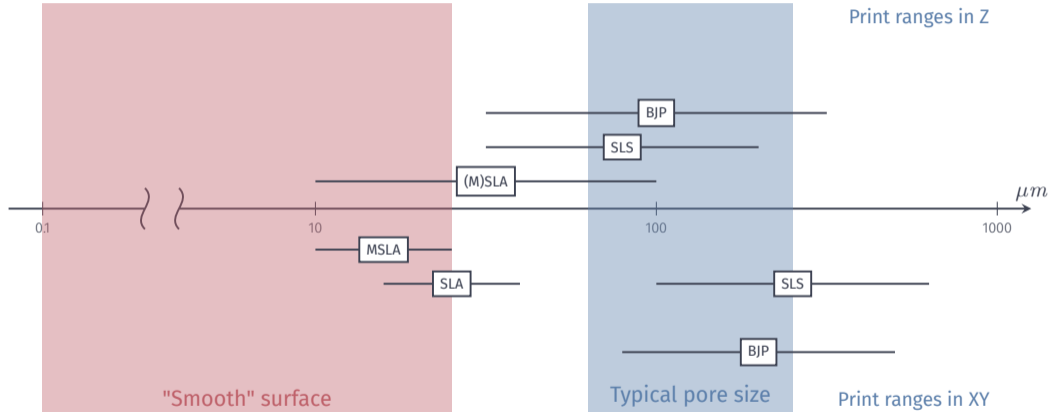
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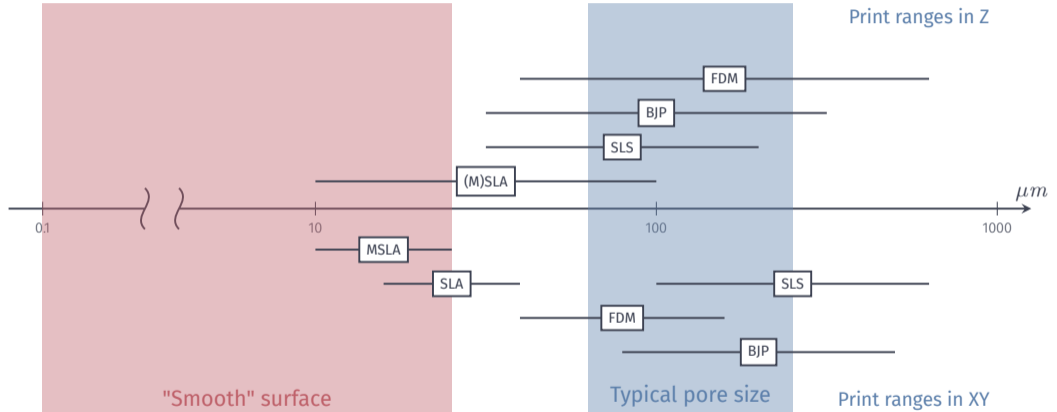
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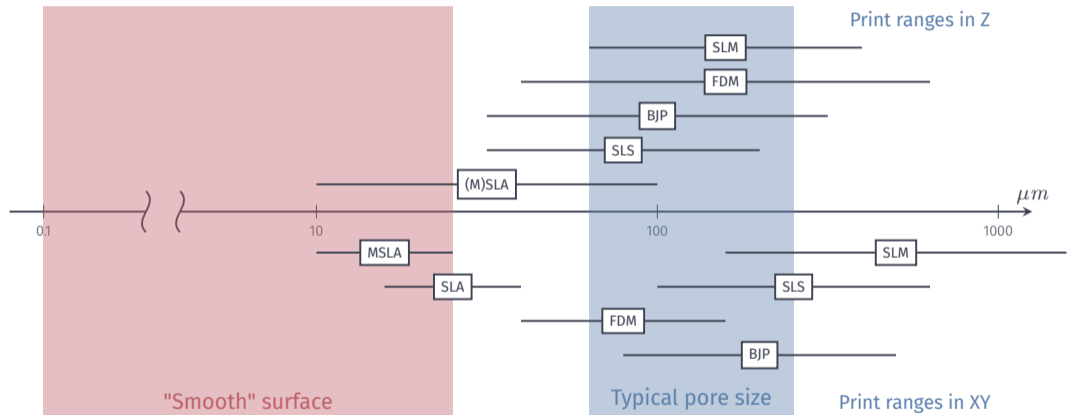
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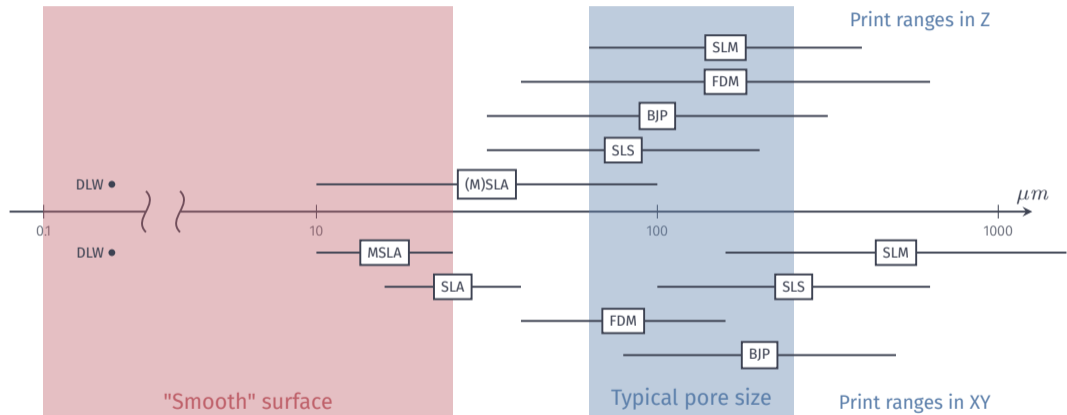
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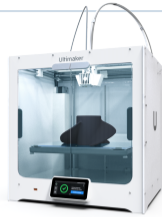


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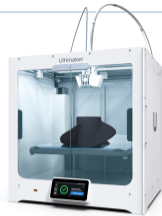
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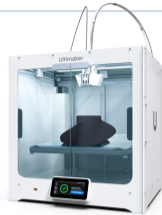
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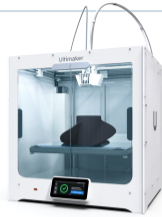
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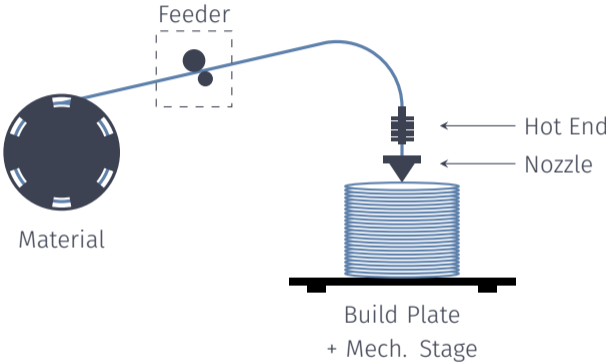
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- Expensive, lost powder
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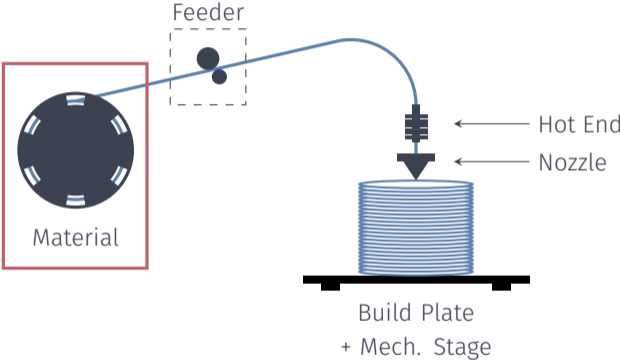
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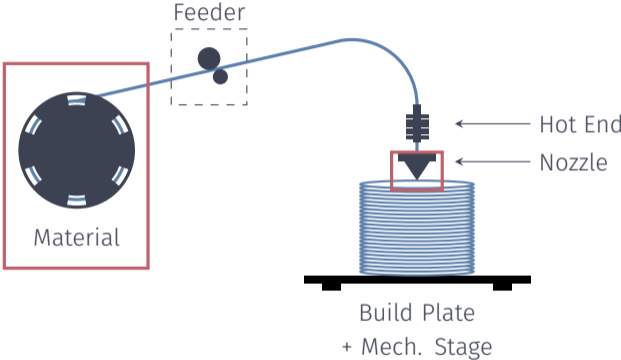
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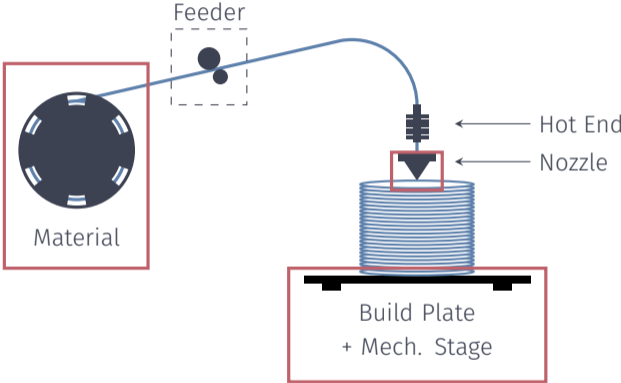
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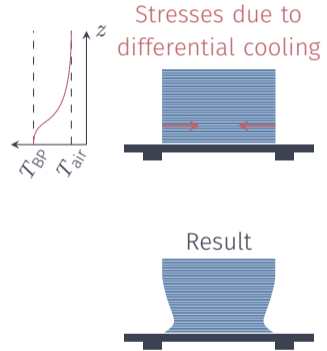


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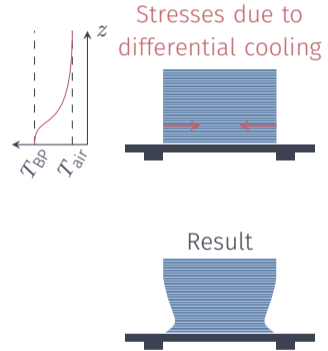


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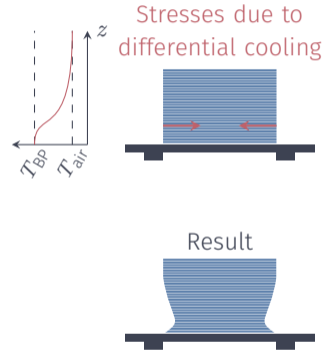


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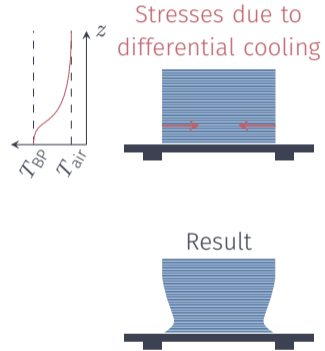


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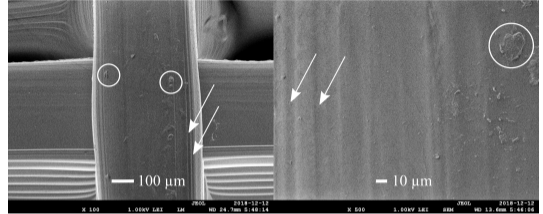
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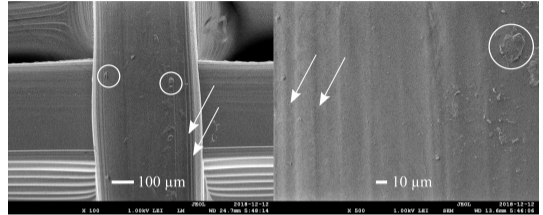


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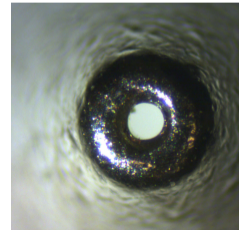
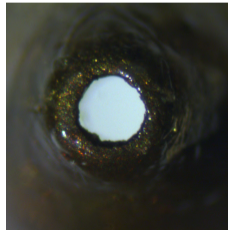
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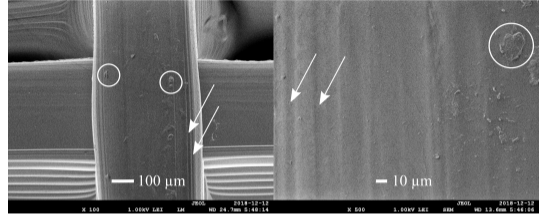
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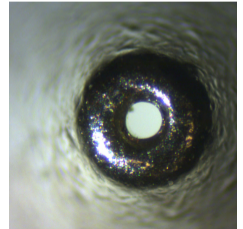
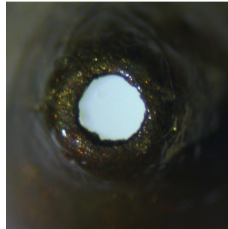
Options

- Custom nozzles
 - Electro-erosion
 - Micro watercut patterns
- Option from the free hardware community (directional, etc.)

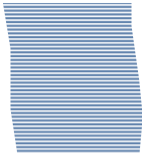
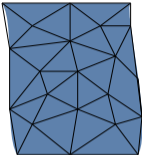


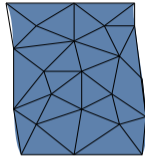
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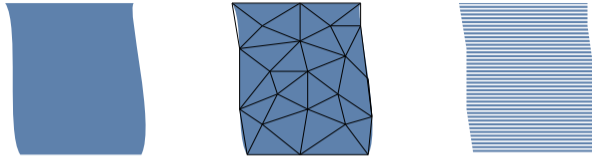
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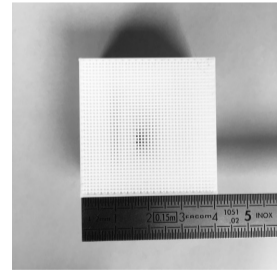
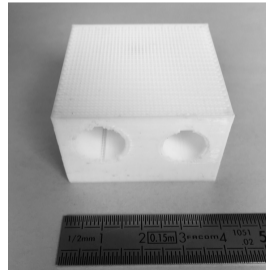
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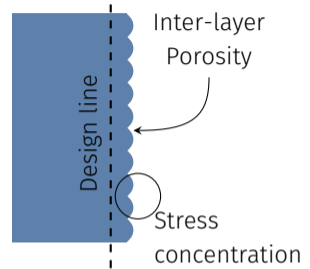


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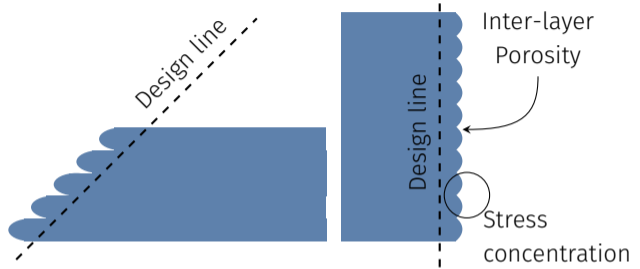
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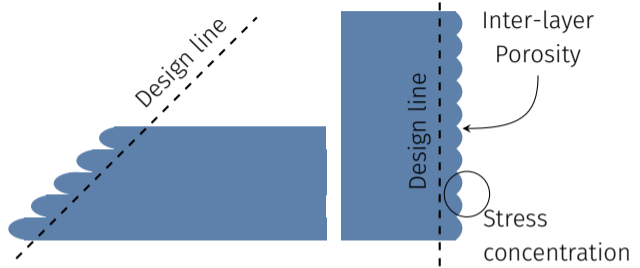
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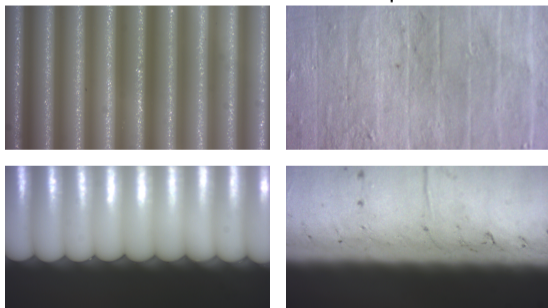
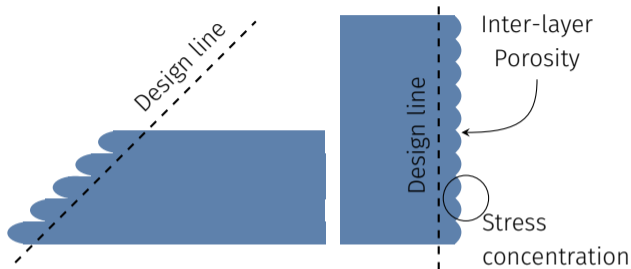
Post-processing solutions

- Coating (boring though...)
- Polishing (tumbling, convex shapes only)
- Chemical surface treatments

ASA print @ 200 μ m layer height. \rightarrow

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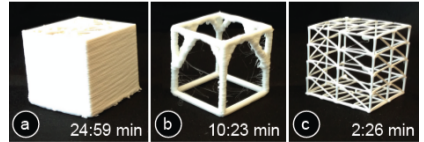
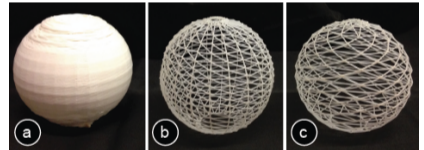
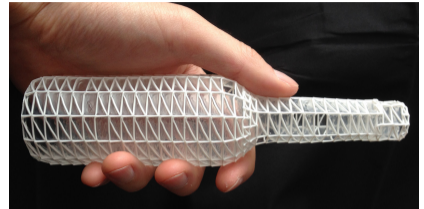
Right: After 1'30" in Acetone.



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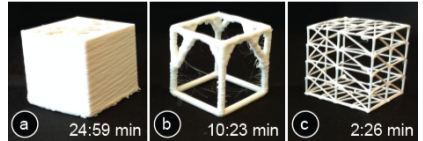
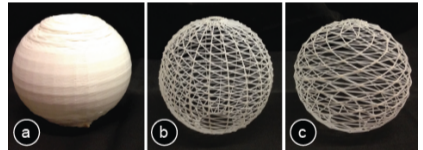
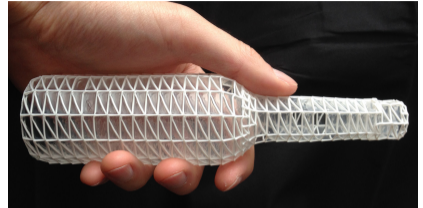
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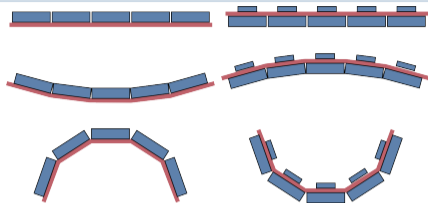
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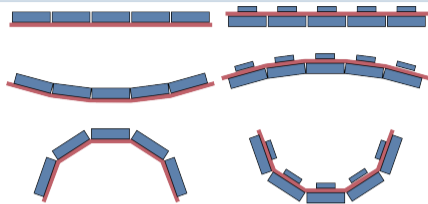
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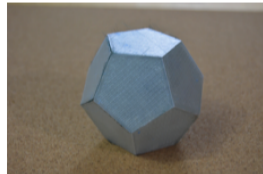
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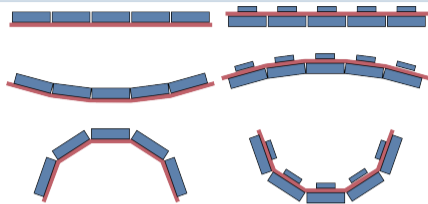
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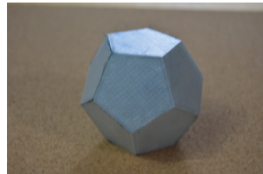


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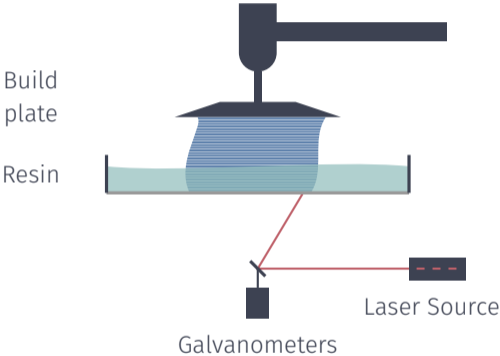
An example with steel beads

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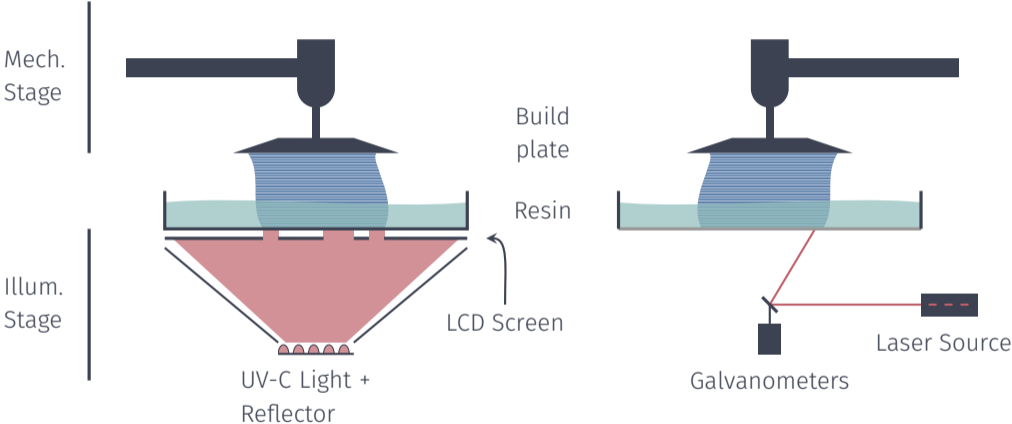


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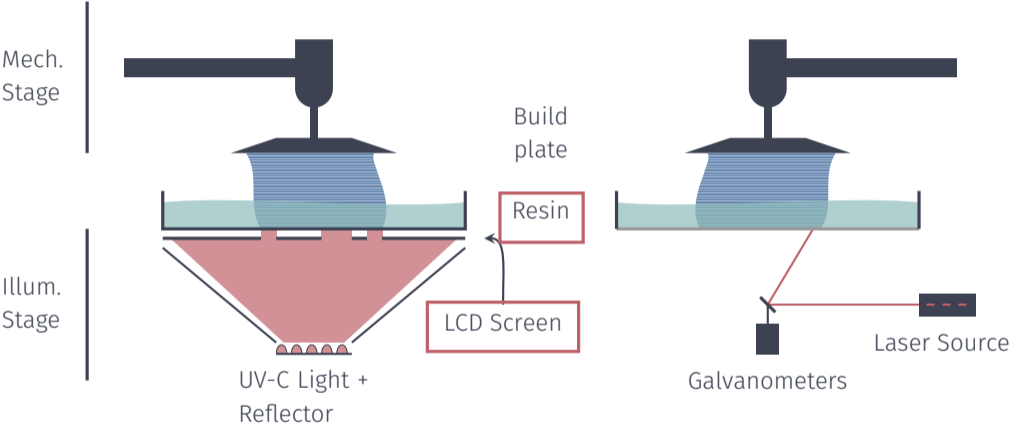
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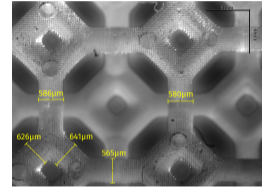
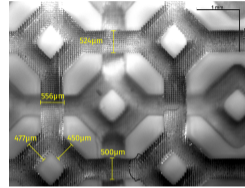
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- Specific wavelength (SLA) or wideband (MSLA, UV)
- Compromise:
 - Too much: fast but not enough long polymers
 - Too little: slow/too incomplete polymerisation
- Makes resin unstable once out

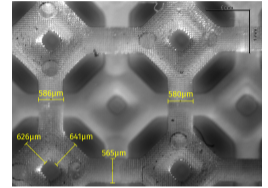
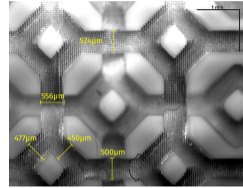
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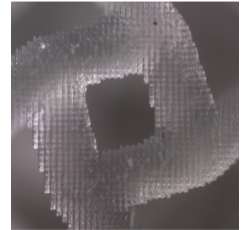
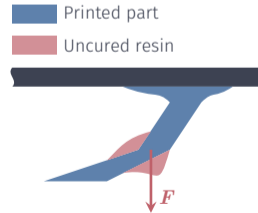
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- Better flow and easier clean up
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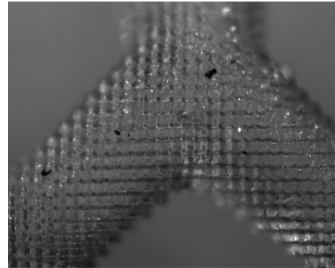
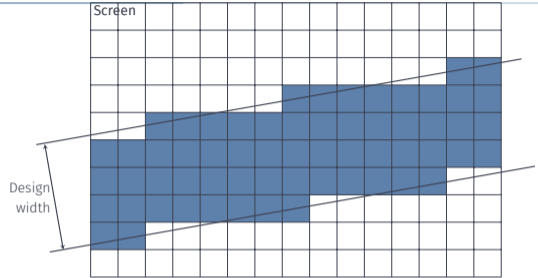
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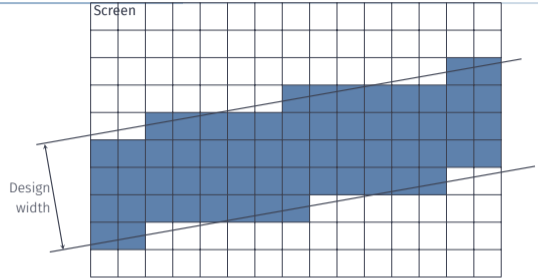
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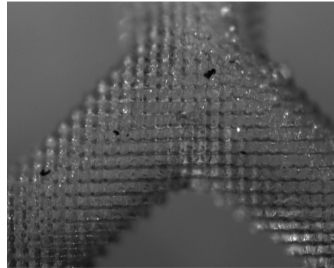
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- Edges are more transparent
→ more polymerized
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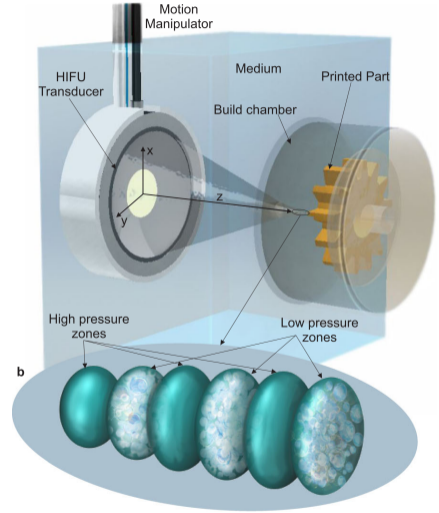
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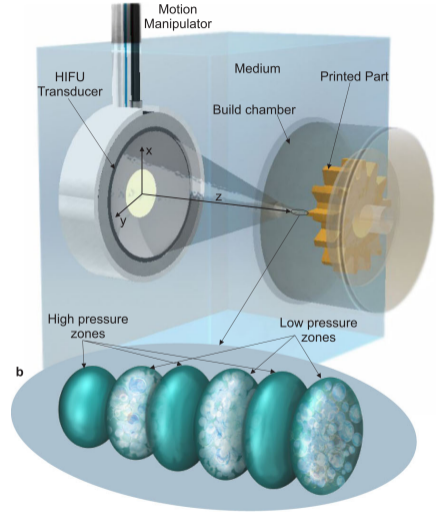
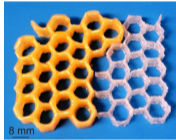
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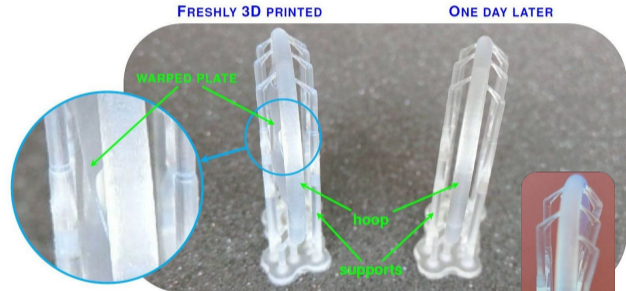
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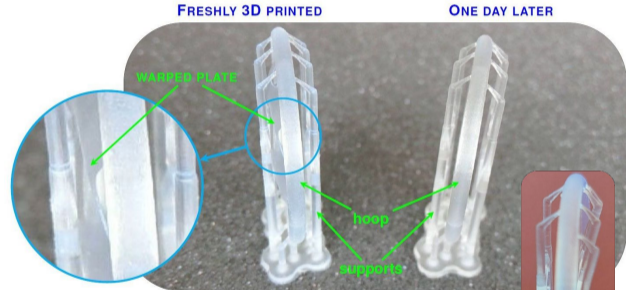
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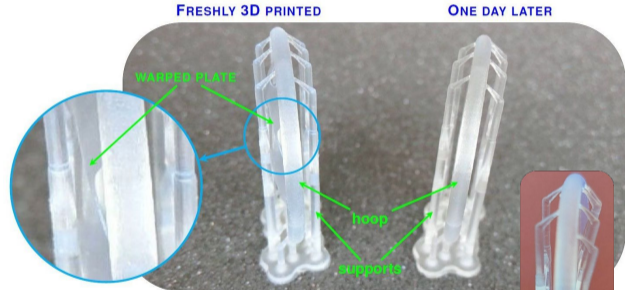
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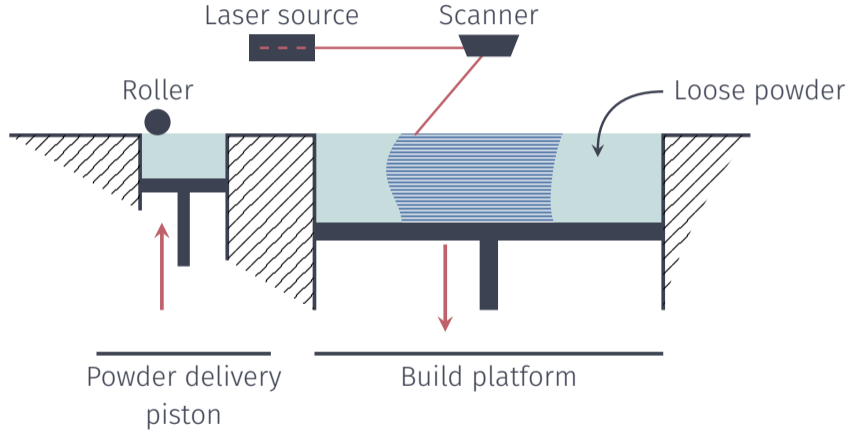
- Annealing (relieves stresses)
@ 60-70°C for 5-10min
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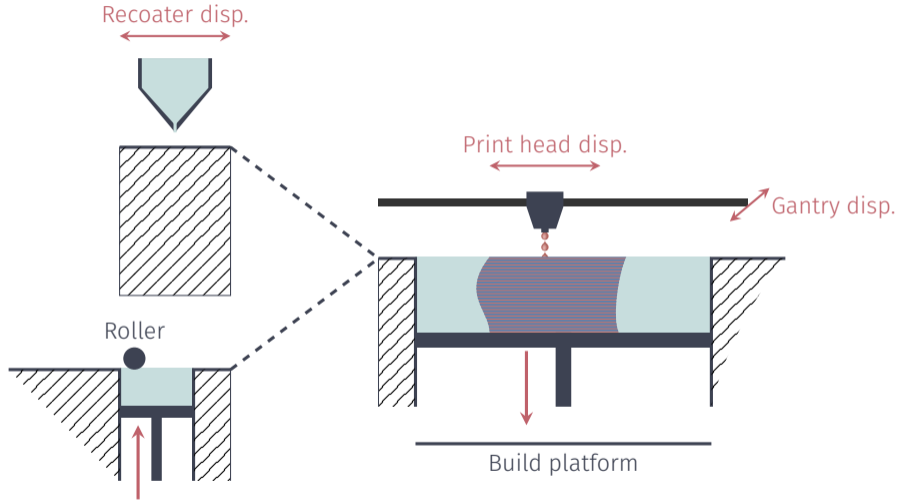
Power bed fabrication

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Binder jetting

Possible recoating strategies



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- Monomer
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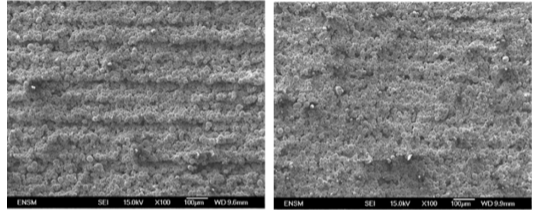
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Impregnation/coating

BJP parts are inherently porous



Thinly coat the surface with an impervious layer

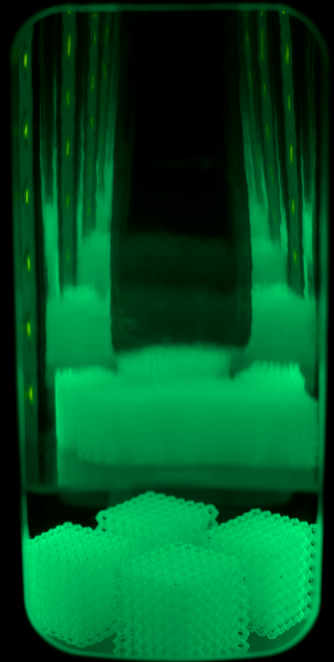
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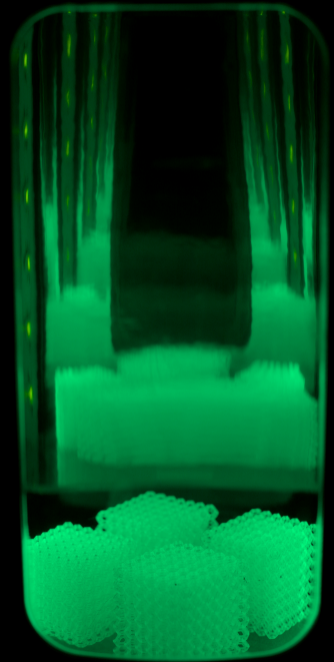
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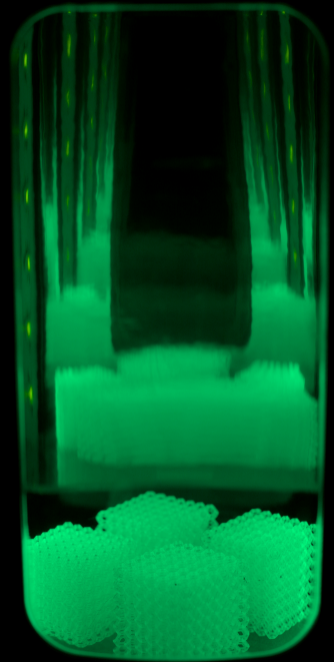
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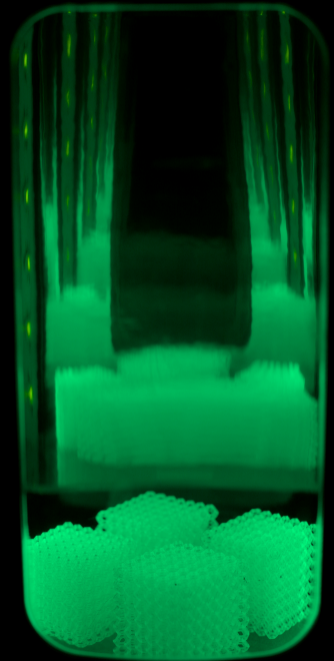
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Brands

- Speed: Bambulab, Zortrax
- Tweaks: Ultimaker, Eleegoo, Creality

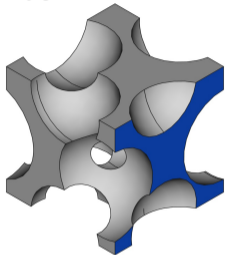


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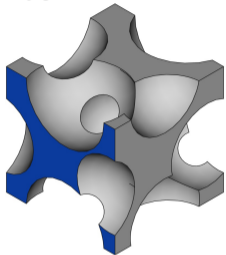
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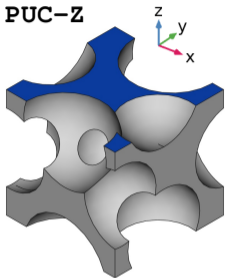
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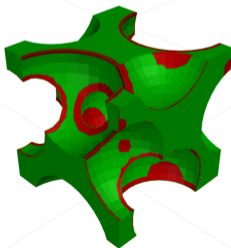
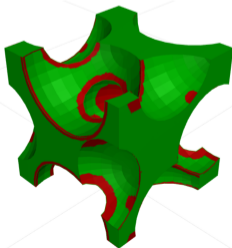
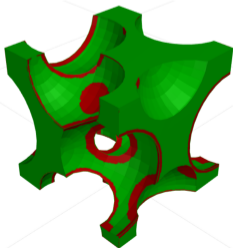
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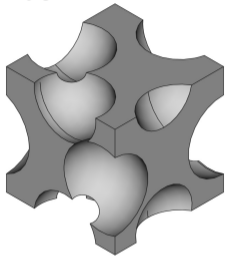
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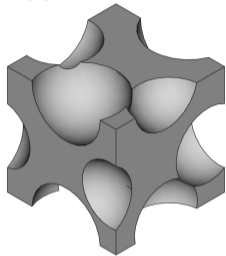
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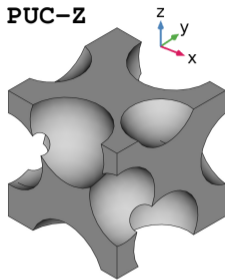
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Periodic Unit Cell (PUC)

- a cube with a periodic arrangement of four spherical pores of different sizes
- cell size (edge length): 5 mm
- three orientations: X, Y, Z
- **pore diameters reduced by 10%**

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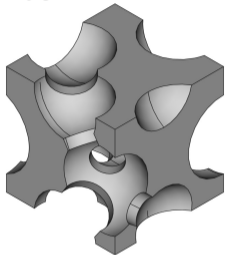
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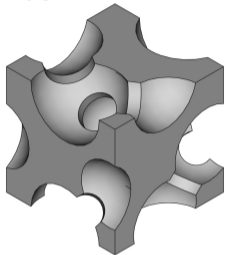
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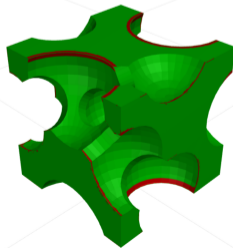
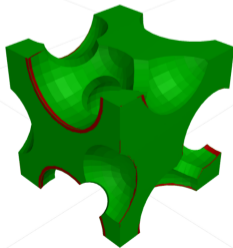
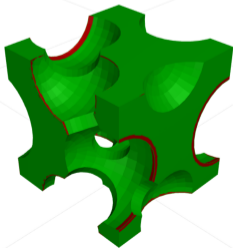
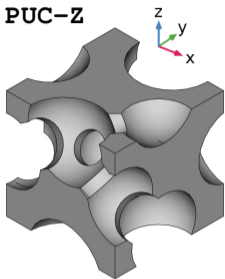
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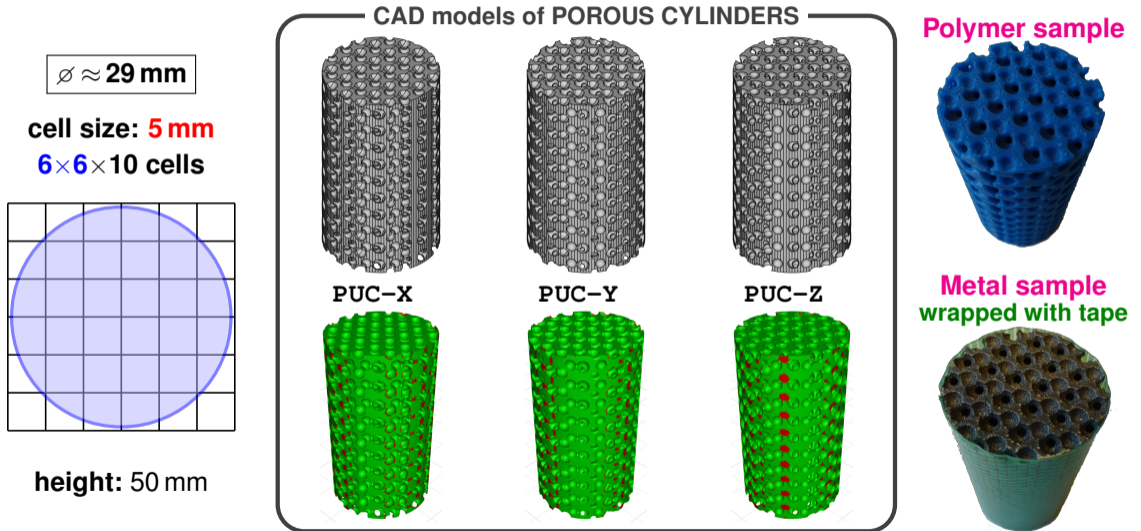
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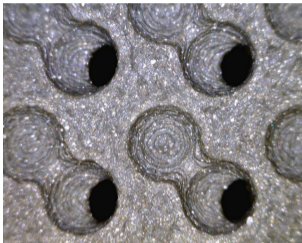
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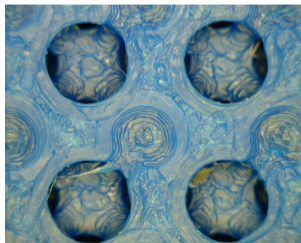
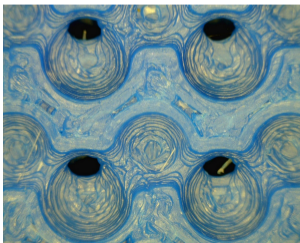
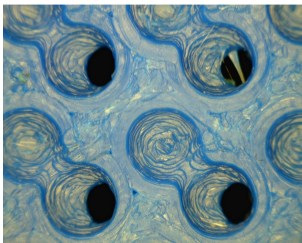
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Flashforge Creaptor PRO



Zortrax M200



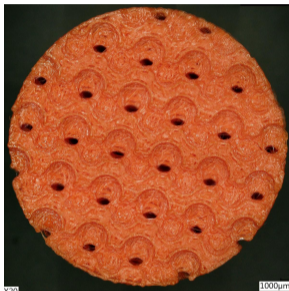
- **Technology:**
FDM / FFF
- **Material:**
ABS polymer filaments
- **Quality:**
good / decent
- **Characteristics:**
staircase-type roughness due to the layer height

Reproducibility of 3D printed acoustic materials (FDM samples)

PUC-X



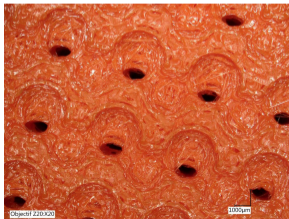
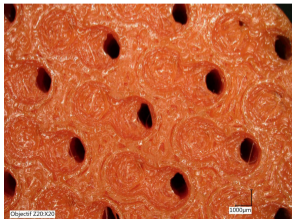
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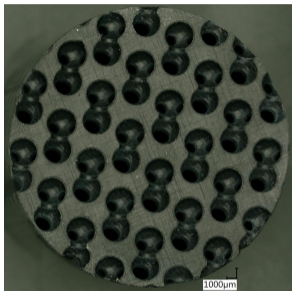
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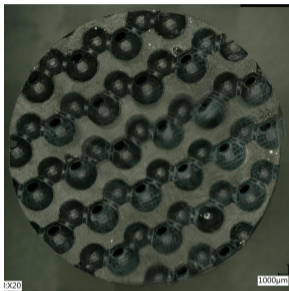
- **Technology:** FDM / FFF
- **Material:** PLA polymer filament
- **Quality:** very bad
- **Characteristics:** fibres in the pores caused by filament stringing; surface roughness

Reproducibility of 3D printed acoustic materials (SLA samples)

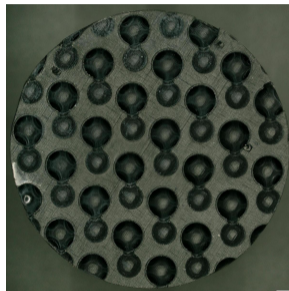
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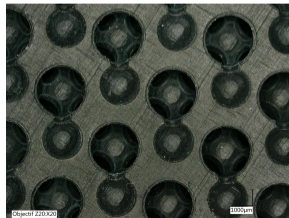
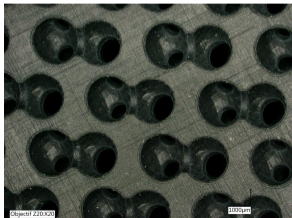


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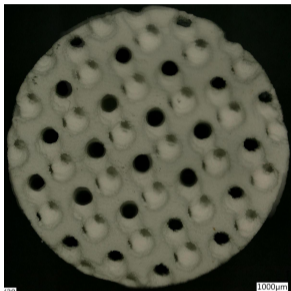
- **Technology:** SLA (vat photopolymerisation)
- **Material:** photopolymer resin
- **Quality:** excellent
- **Characteristics:** correct shapes; smooth surfaces

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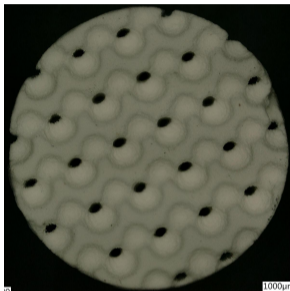


Reproducibility of 3D printed acoustic materials (BJP samples)

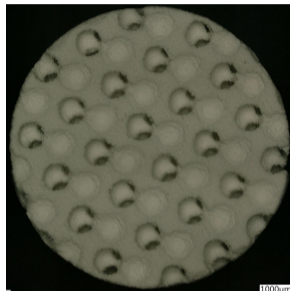
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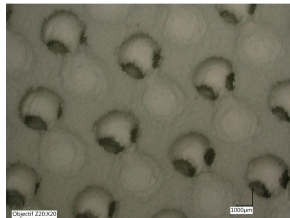
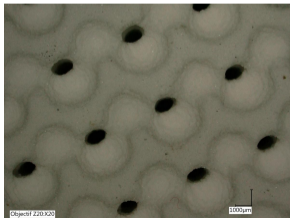
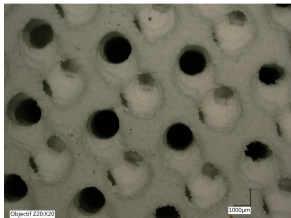
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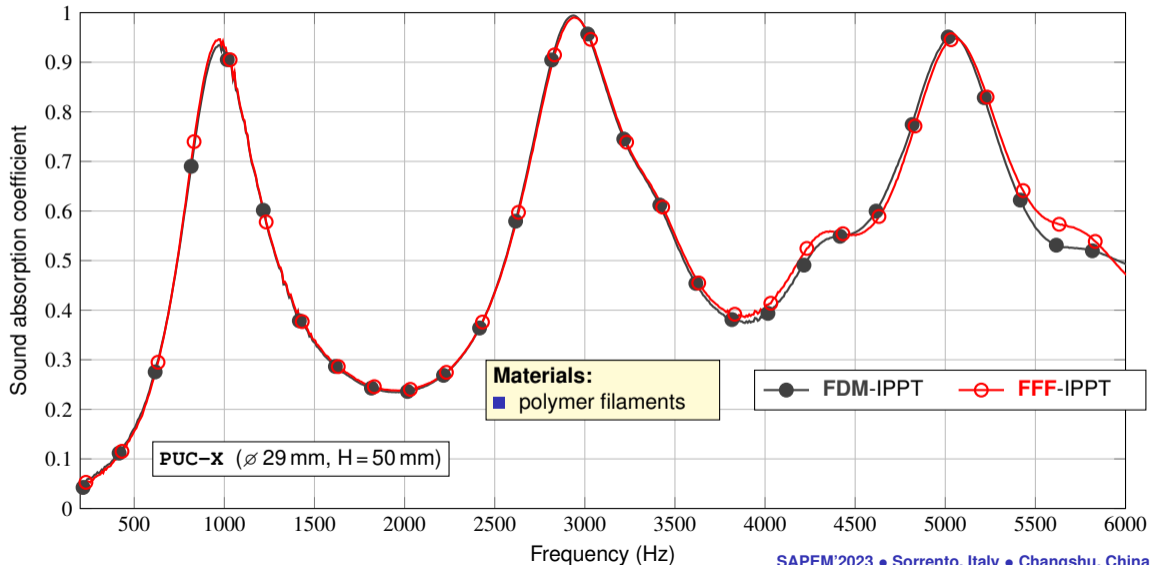


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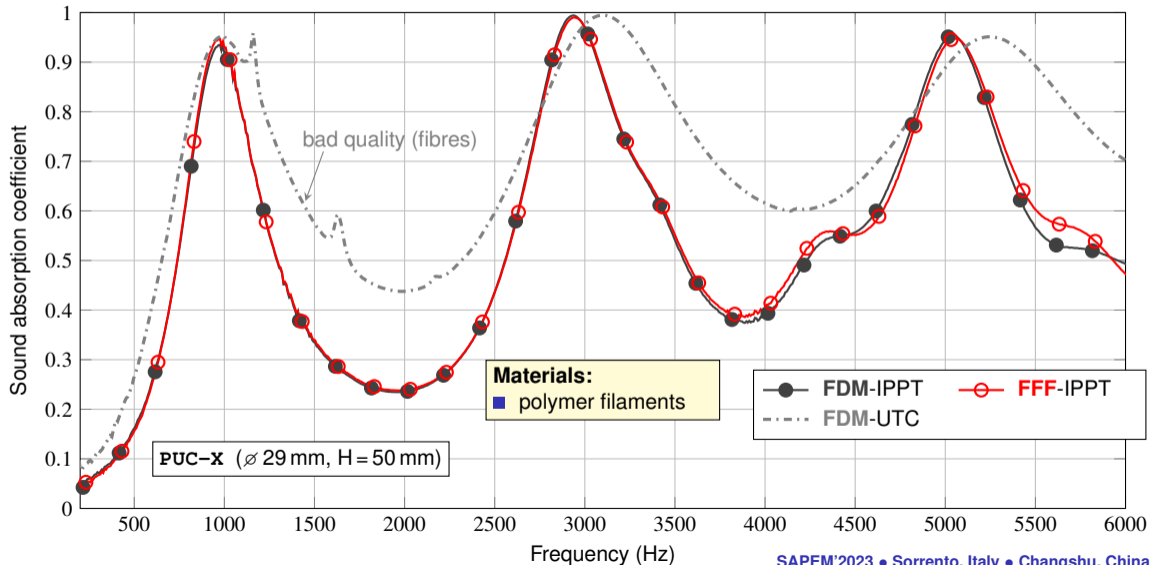


- **Technology:**
BJP (powder-bed technique)
- **Material:**
gypsum powder + binder
- **Quality:**
good (esp. after impregnation)
- **Characteristics:**
roughness due to powder grains;
microporosity (closed by impregnation)

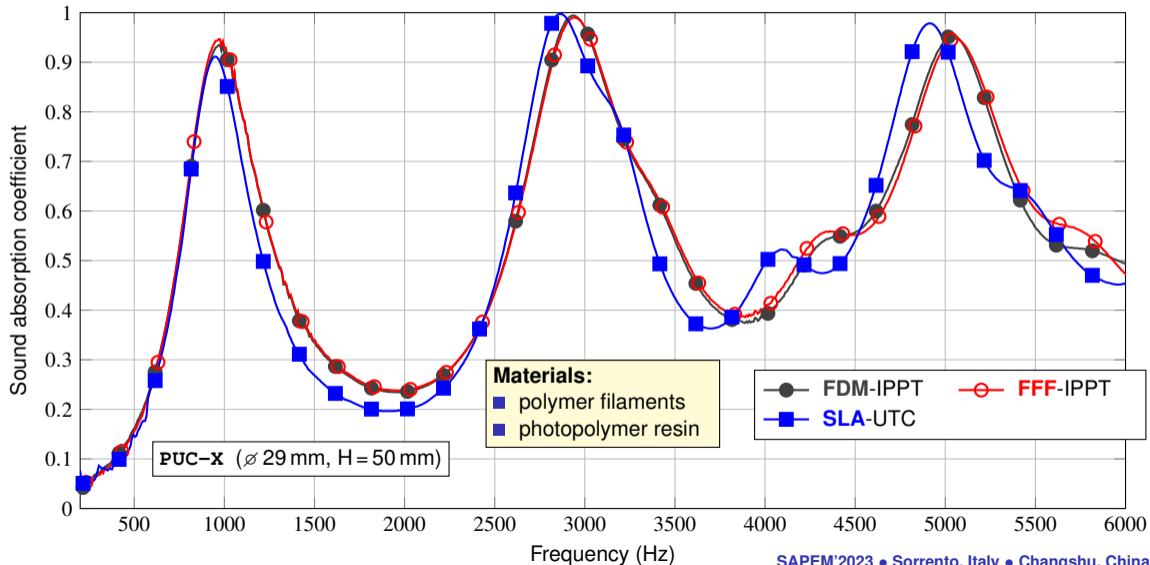
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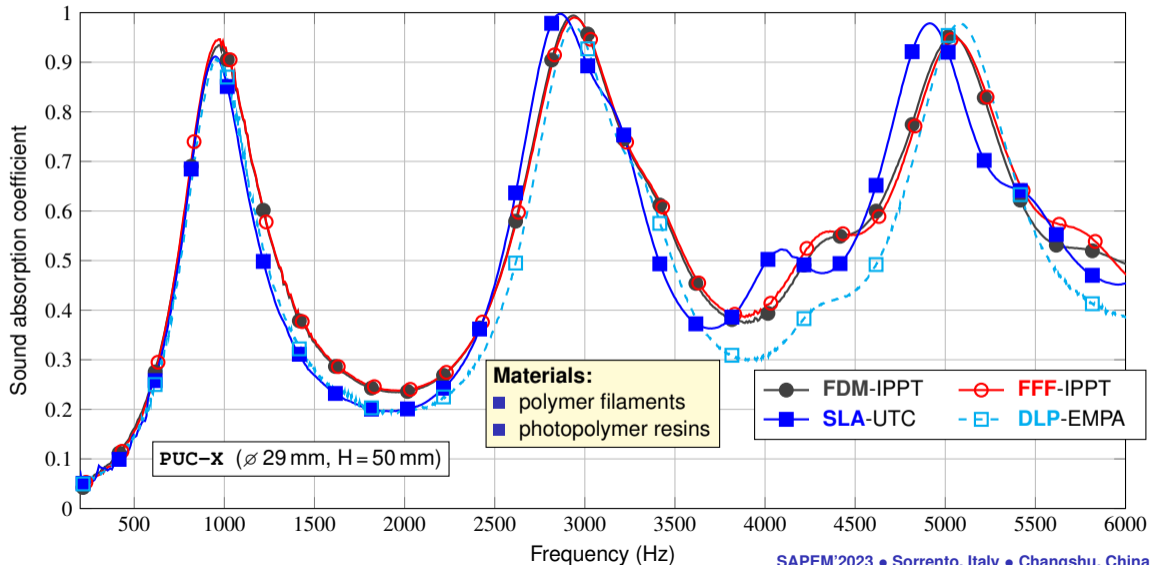
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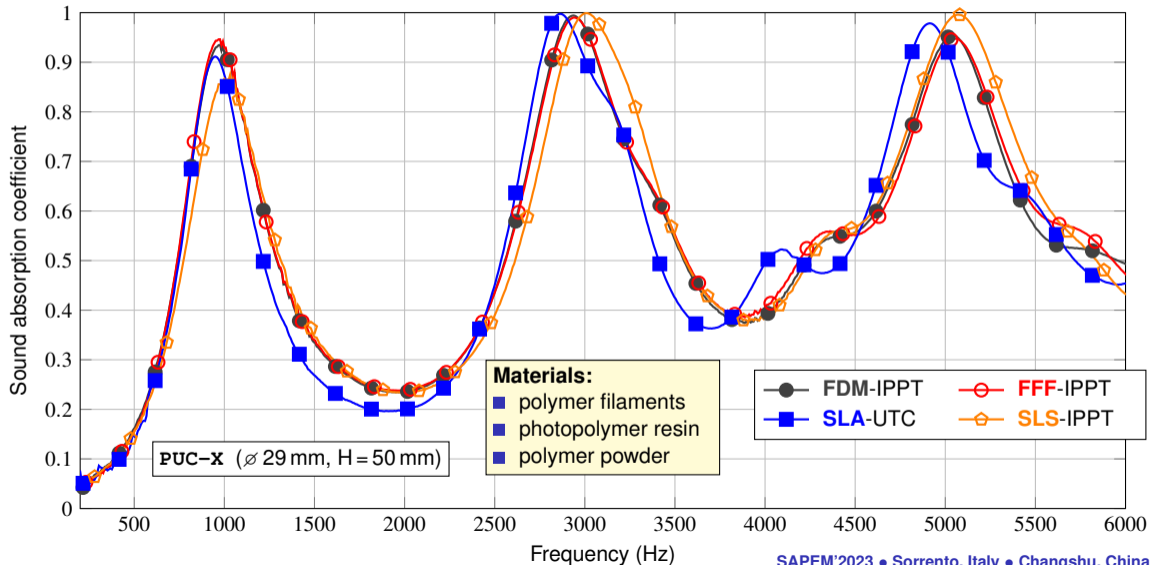
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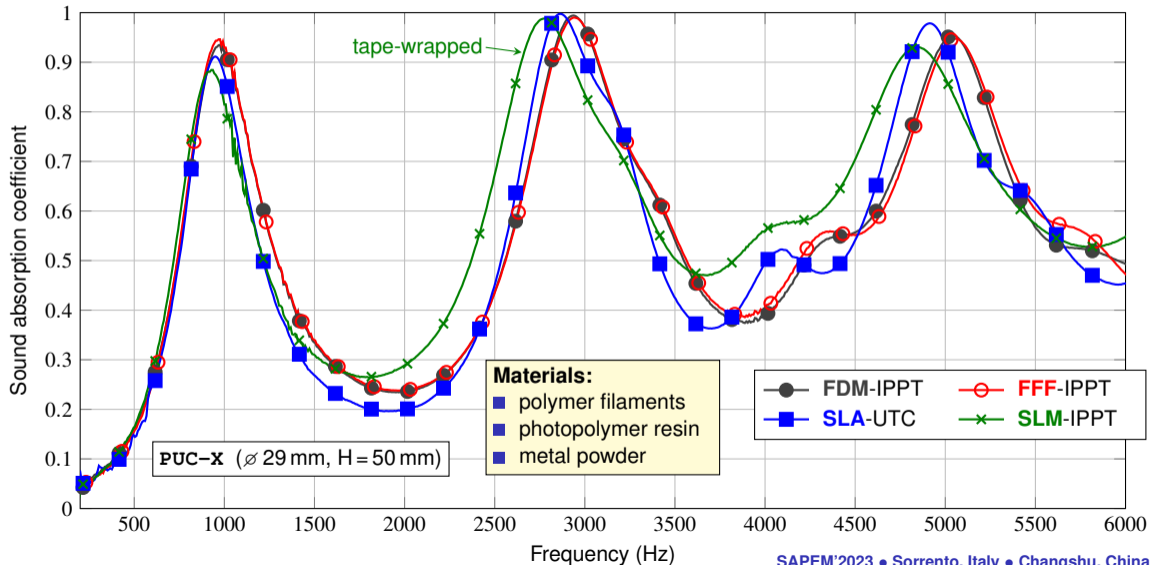
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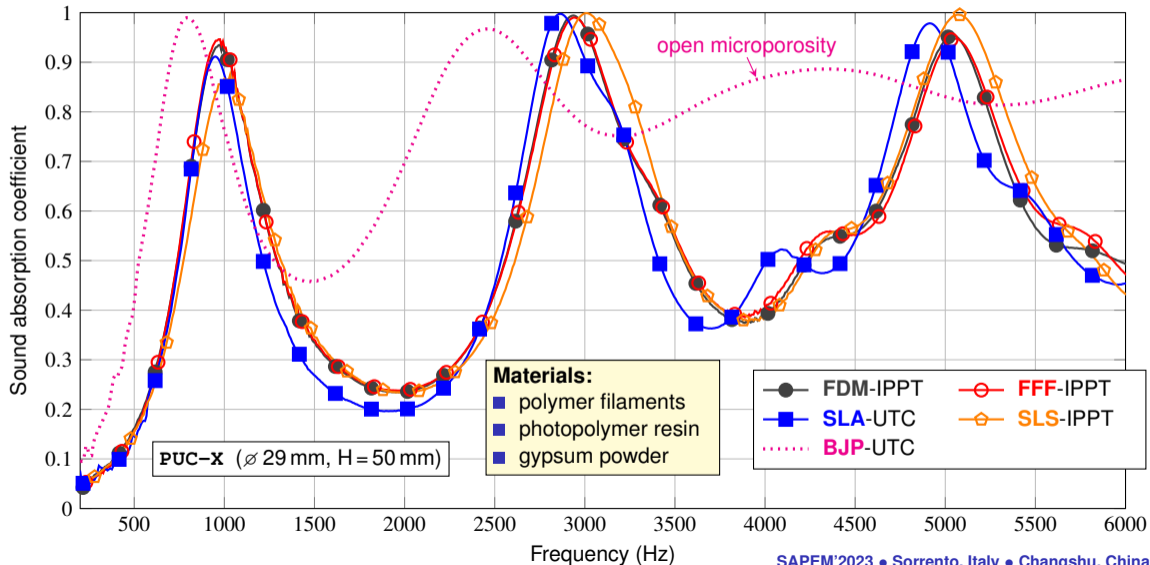
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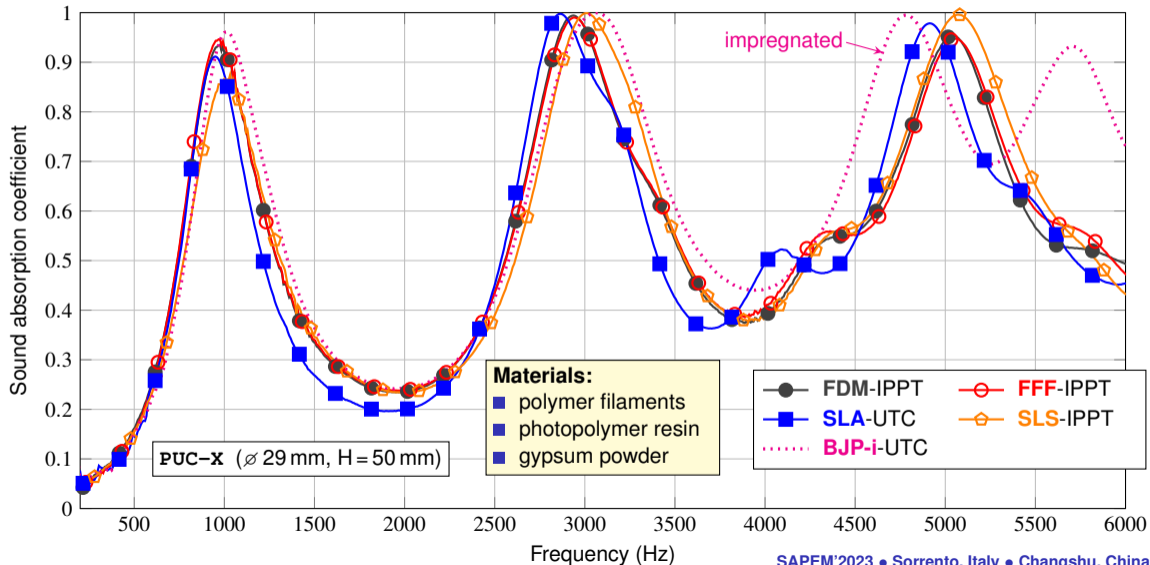
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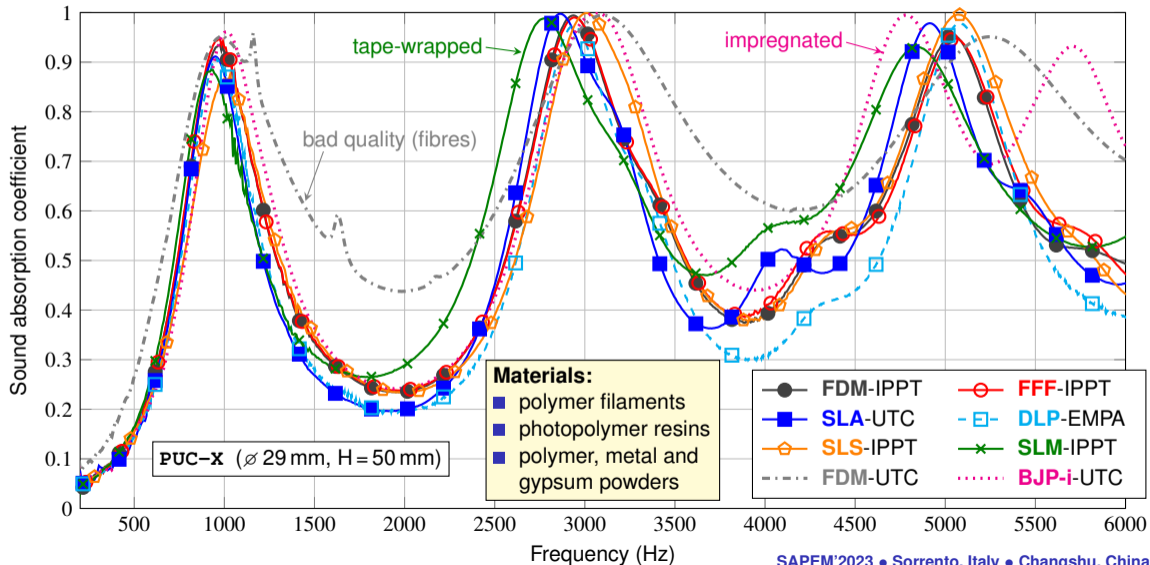
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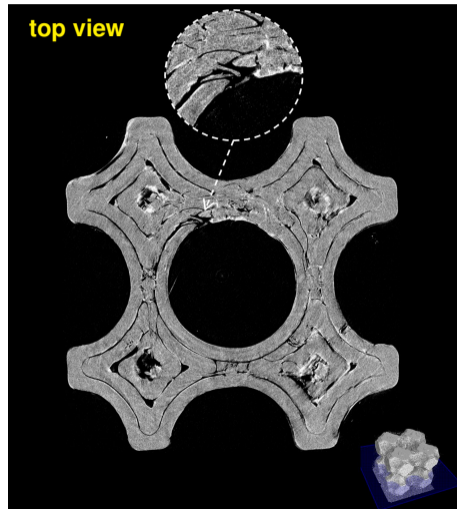
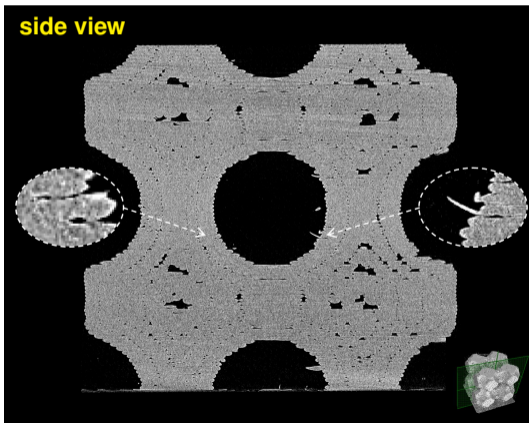
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Quality and typical imperfections of 3D printing (CT scans)

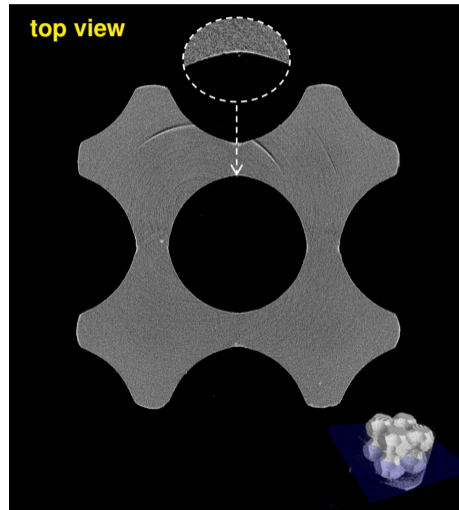
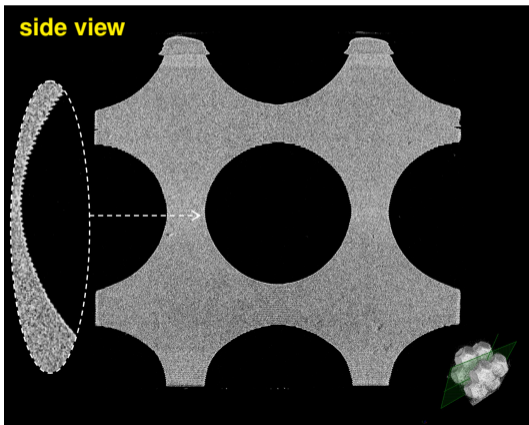
FDM

- staircase type surface roughness
- very irregular microporosity (mainly closed)
- thin fibres due to filament stringing



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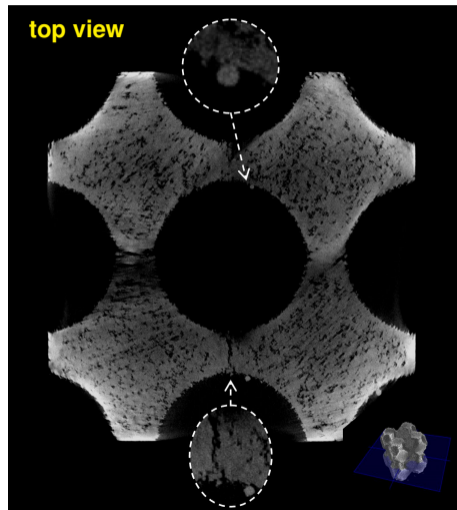
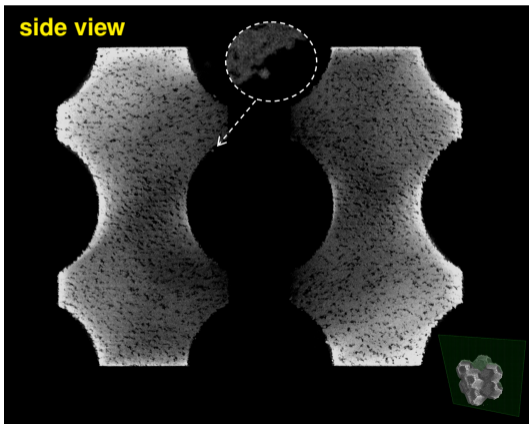
- MSLA**
- relatively **smooth surfaces**
 - virtually **no microporosity**
 - overall **high quality** (especially for SLA)



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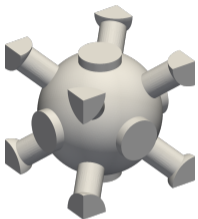
SLM

- **roughness** due to powder grains
- regular (partly) closed or open **microporosity**
- irregular imperfections (e.g. satellite particles)



Example: 3D printed adaptable sound absorber

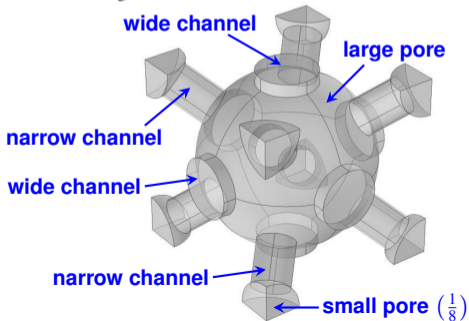
Pore network



Void diameter [mm]

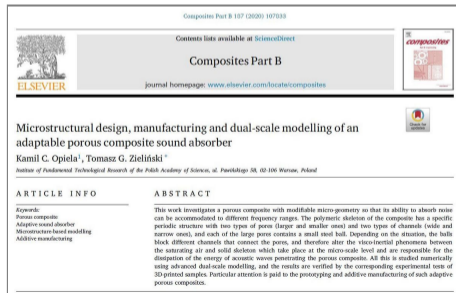
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 wide channel: 1.60
 narrow channel: 1.00

Cell size: 5.00



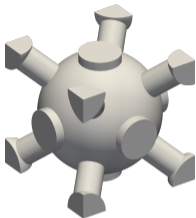
Periodic unit cell contains:

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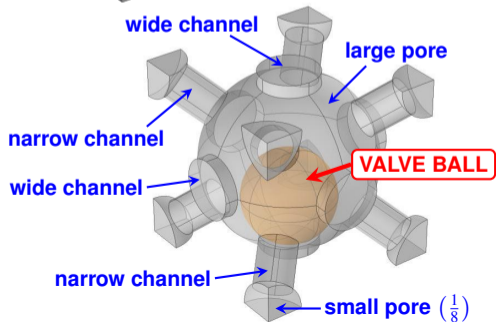
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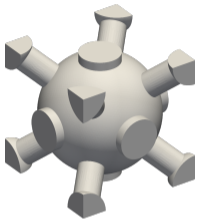
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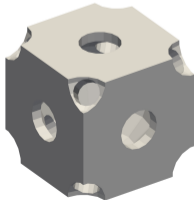
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Periodic skeleton cell
(edge length: 5 mm)

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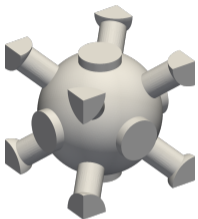
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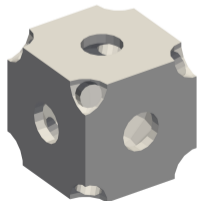
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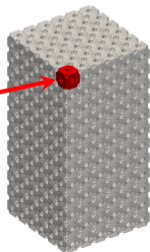
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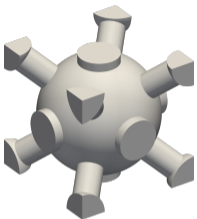
(6×6×12 cells)



CAD model

Example: 3D printed adaptable sound absorber

Pore network



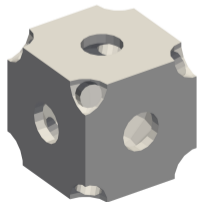
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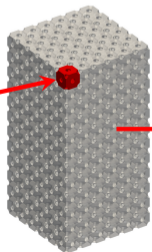
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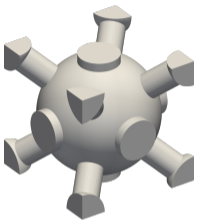
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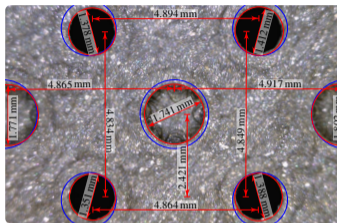


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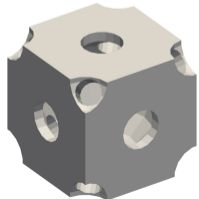
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Microscope survey

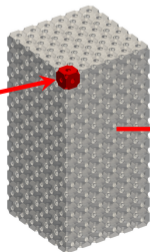


Impedance tube



Periodic skeleton cell
(edge length: 5 mm)

(6×6×12 cells)



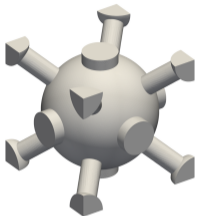
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Sample

Example: 3D printed adaptable sound absorber

Pore network



Void diameter [mm]

large pore: **4.36**

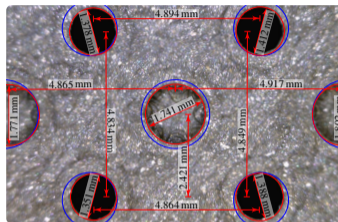
small pore: **1.76**

wide channel: **1.36**

narrow channel: **0.76**

Cell size: 5.00

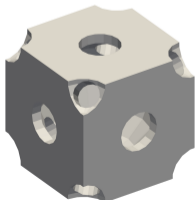
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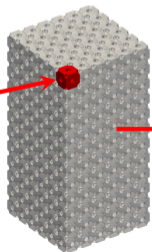


"actual" geometry
(update predictions)



Periodic skeleton cell
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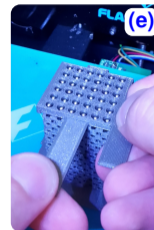
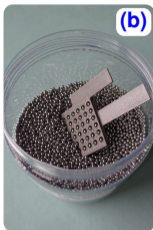
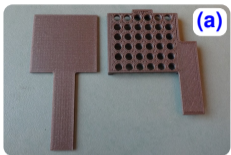


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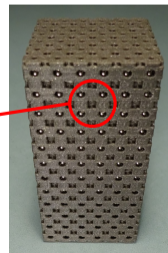
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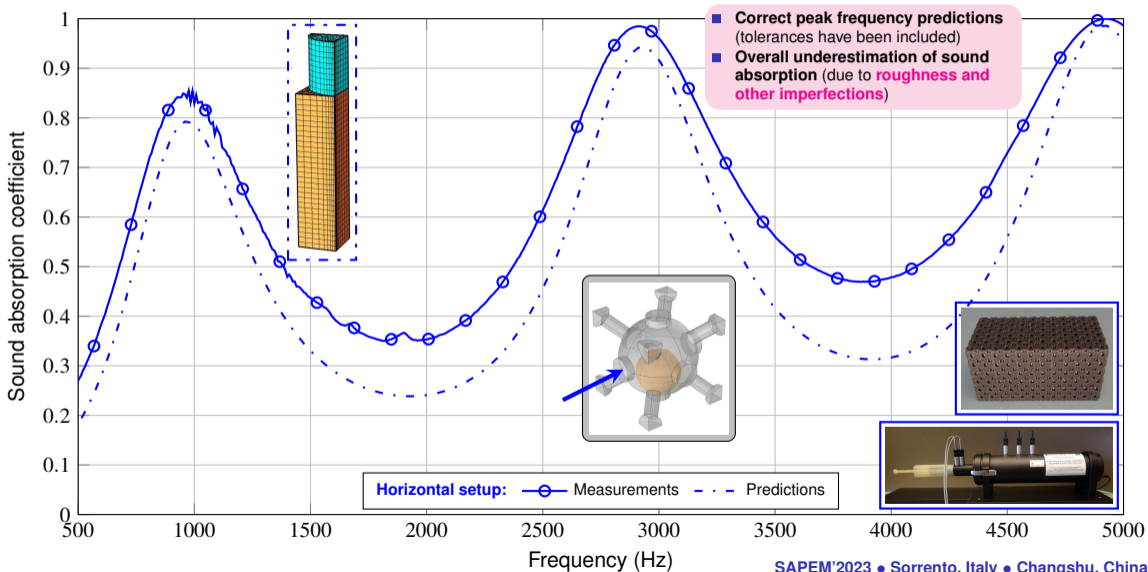
Description:

- (a) a dismantled ball-insertion tool
- (b) scooping 36 balls from a container
- (c) inserting 36 balls into 36 pores
- (d) 36 balls set in their places inside pores
- (e) insertion during the 3D-printing process

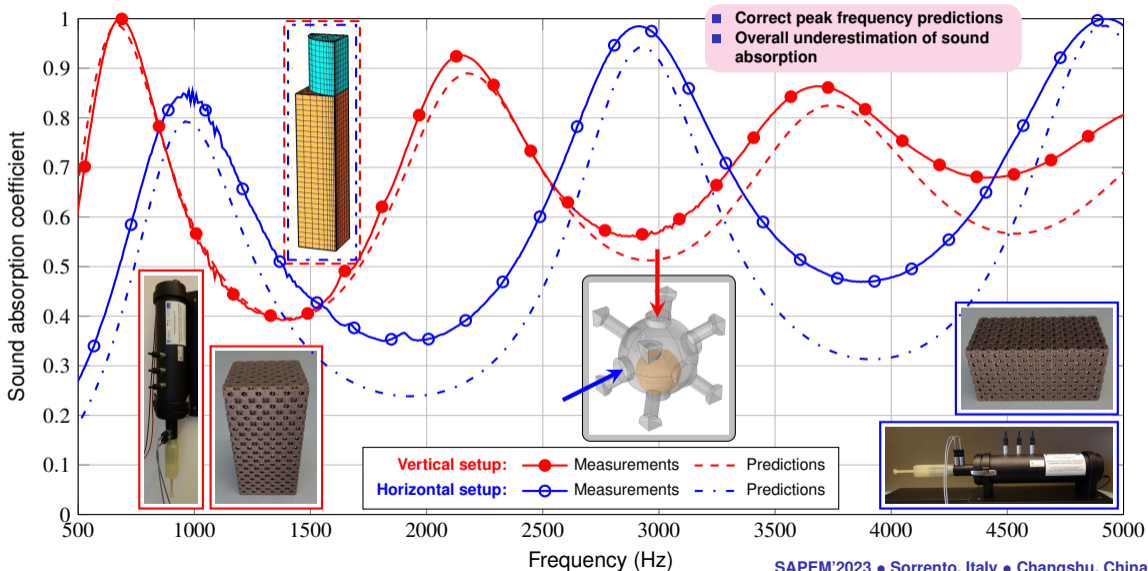
Sample with valve balls



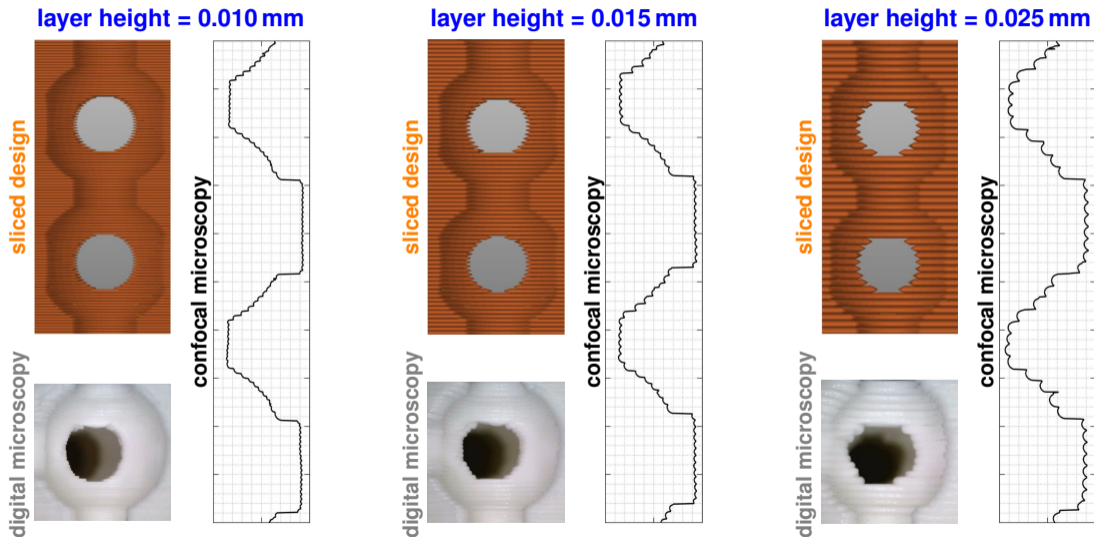
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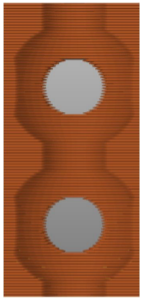
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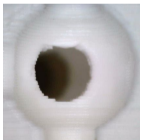
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layer height = 0.010 mm

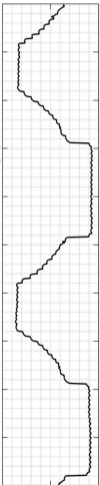
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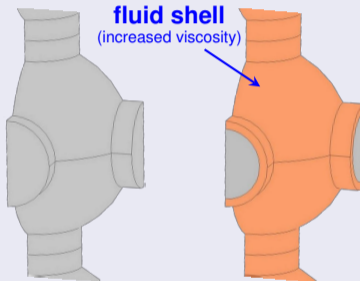
digital microscopy



confocal microscopy



Versatile “fluid shell” approach
to model surface roughness



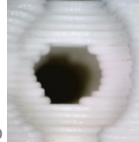
- surface roughness increases the viscous effects
- this can be modelled by increasing the viscosity in the fluid shell

layer height = 0.025 mm

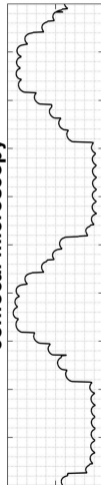
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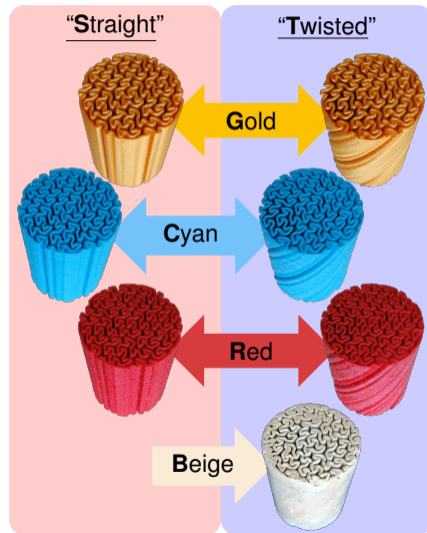
confocal microscopy



Example: 3D printed materials based on the Gosper curve

Sample	Weight (g)	Comments
S-Gold	17.79	FDM (PLA)
T-Gold	17.81	FDM (PLA)
S-Cyan	10.18	FDM (ABS)
T-Cyan	12.03	FDM (ABS)
S-Red	11.70	FDM (ABS)
T-Red	13.87	FDM (ABS)
T-Beige	30.83	Geopolymer (plastered)

S = "Straight" T = "Twisted"



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Procedure:

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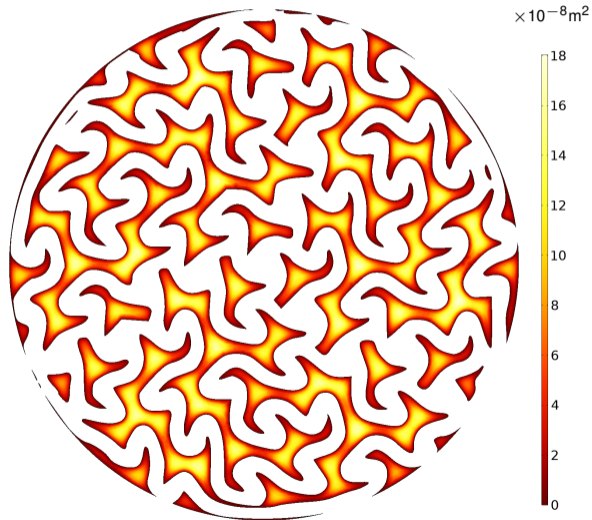
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- mesh the fluid domain
- determine ϕ (the porosity) and Λ_t (the thermal characteristic length)



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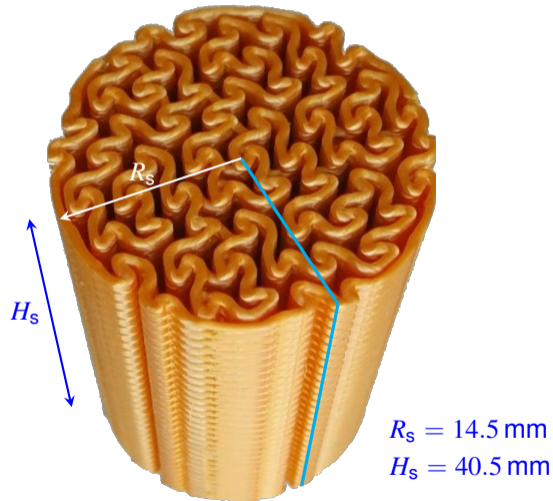
- scan the face of the sample
- extract the fluid domain for the sample inside the circular tube
- mesh the fluid domain
- determine ϕ (the porosity) and Λ_t (the thermal characteristic length)
- solve Poisson's problem for thermal diffusion
- determine Θ_0 (the static thermal permeability) and α_{0t} (the static thermal tortuosity)



Example: 3D printed materials based on the Gosper curve

“Straight” pore network

- $\phi = 39.3\%$
(sample weight = 17.79 g)
- $\Lambda_v \approx \Lambda_t = 0.623 \text{ mm}$
- $\alpha_\infty = 1.08$
- $\alpha_{0t} = 1.52$
 $\alpha_{0v} \approx \alpha_\infty \alpha_{0t} = 1.64$
- $\Theta_0 = 2.40 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$
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Example: 3D printed materials based on the Gosper curve

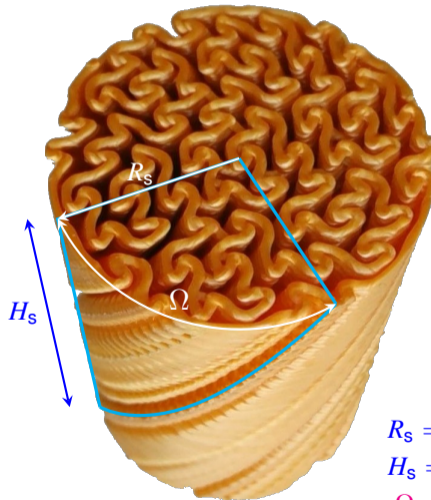
“Twisted” pore network ($\Omega = 90^\circ$)

- $\phi \approx 39.3\%$
(sample weight = 17.81 g)
- $\Lambda_v \approx \Lambda_t = 0.623$ mm
- $\alpha_\infty = 1.25$
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“Twisted” network tortuosity

$$\alpha_\infty / (1 + c_\alpha) = 1 + (2\pi R_h / H_h)^2$$

where $R_h = R_s / \sqrt{2}$, $H_h = 2\pi H_s / \Omega$

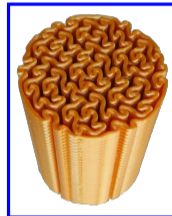
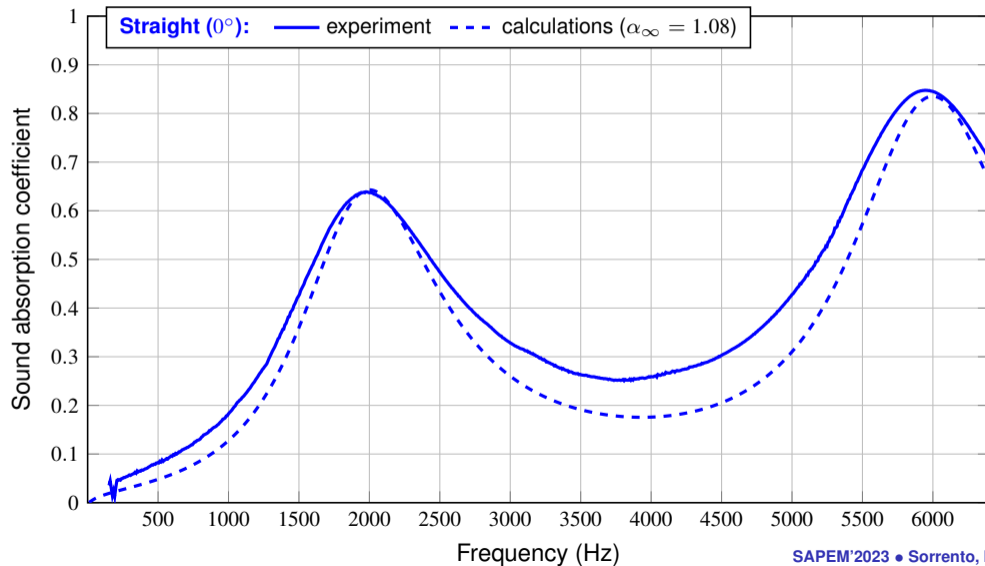


$$R_s = 14.5 \text{ mm}$$

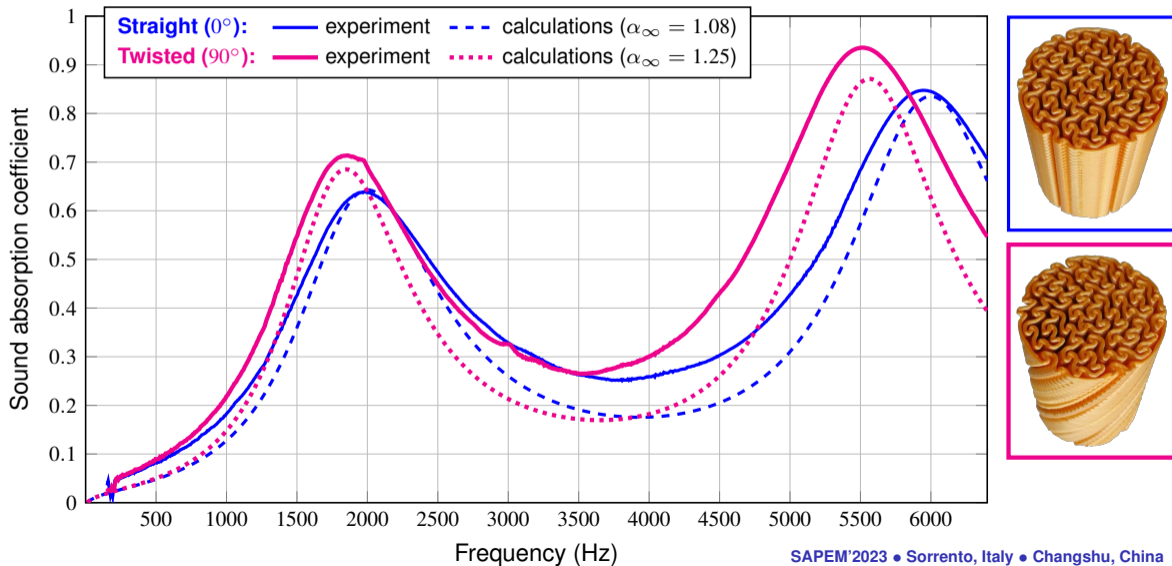
$$H_s = 40.5 \text{ mm}$$

$$\Omega = 90^\circ$$

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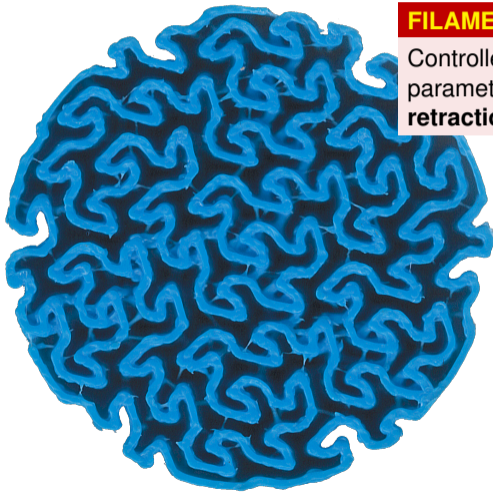


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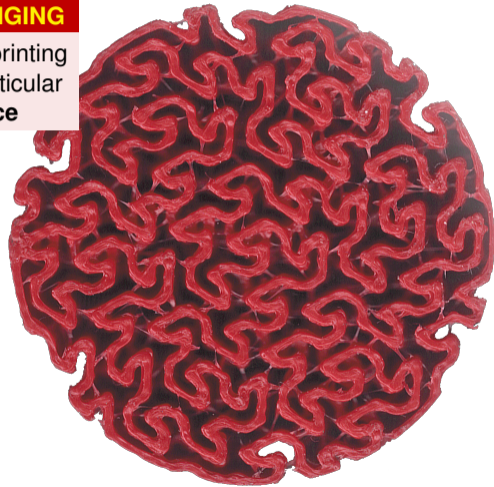
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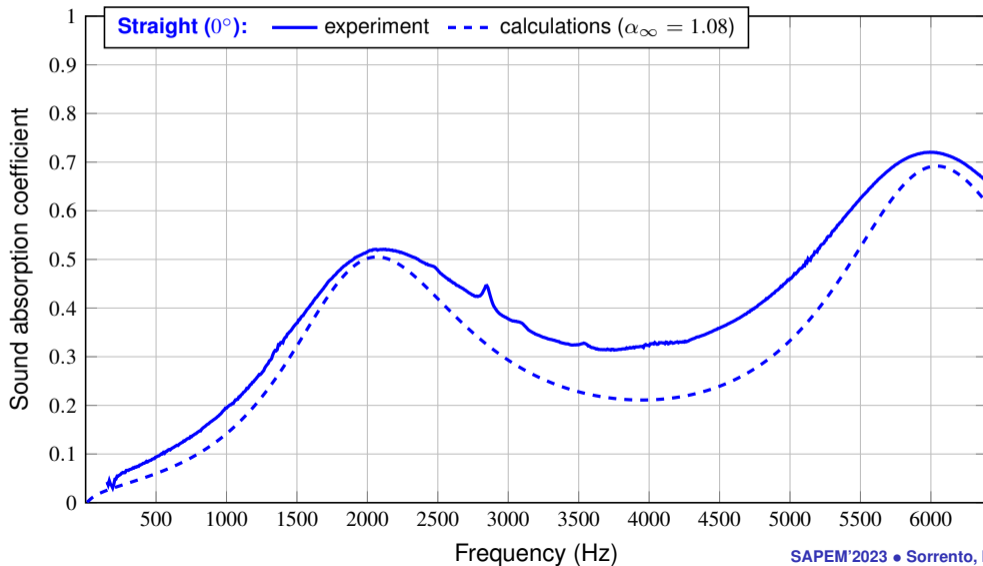
FILAMENT STRINGING

Controlled by 3D printing parameters, in particular retraction distance

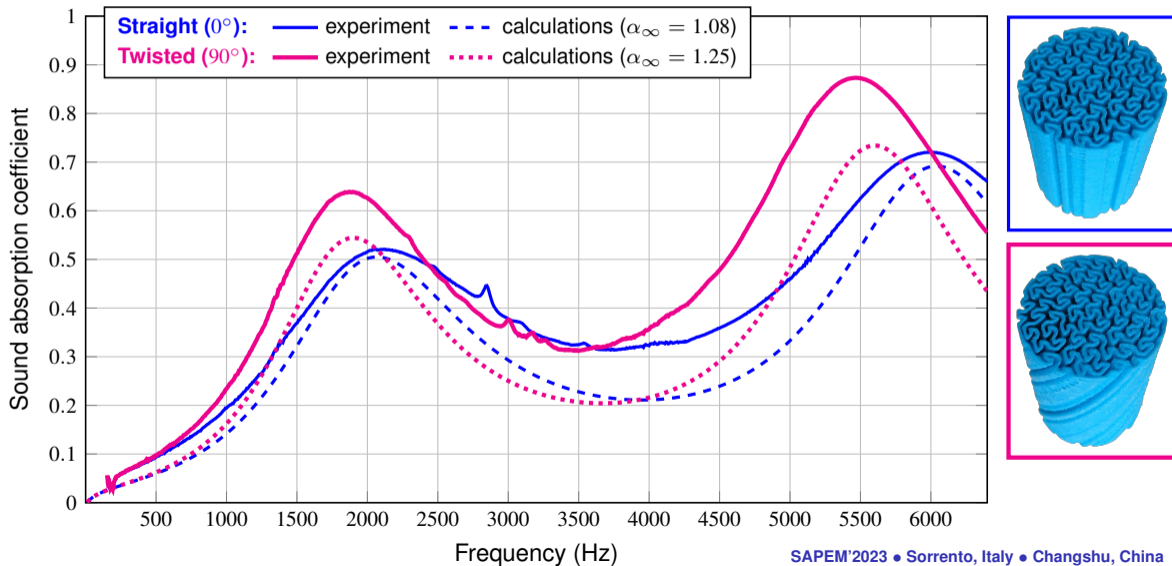
MORE FIBRES in the slits!



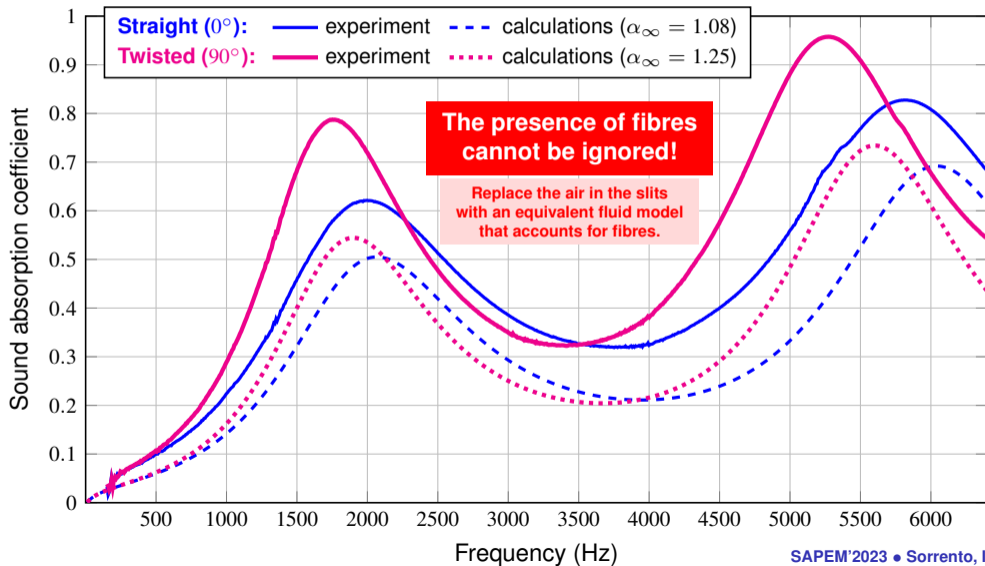
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BJP gypsum-based material with open microporosity

Microporous material

- **microporosity:**

$$\phi_m = 42.6\%$$

- **permeability:**

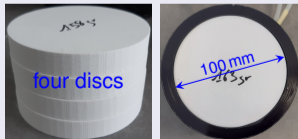
for a disc 3D printed in a **horizontal** position

$$\mathcal{K}_{0m} = 0.57 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ m}^2$$

for a disc 3D printed in a **vertical** position

$$\mathcal{K}_{0m} = 1.64 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ m}^2$$

Anisotropy!

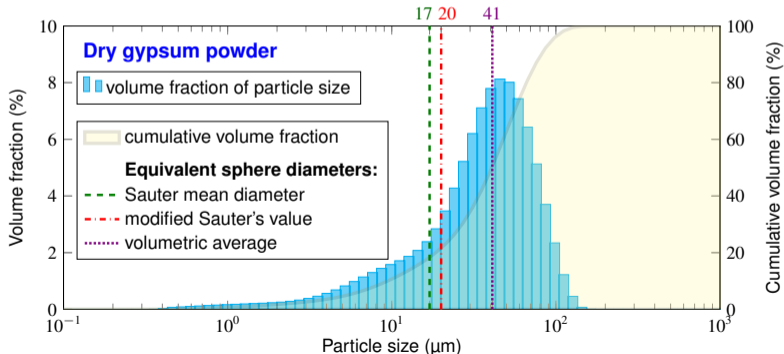


The analytical **estimation of the permeability**

$$\mathcal{K}_{0m}(d_g, \phi_m) \approx \text{measured value}$$

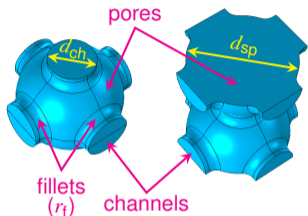
for the **equivalent grain diameter** $d_g = 20 \mu\text{m}$.

This is a slightly enlarged value (due to binder and grain agglomeration) of the **Sauter mean diameter** ($17 \mu\text{m}$) determined for dry gypsum powder.



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Pore network Ω_{pf}



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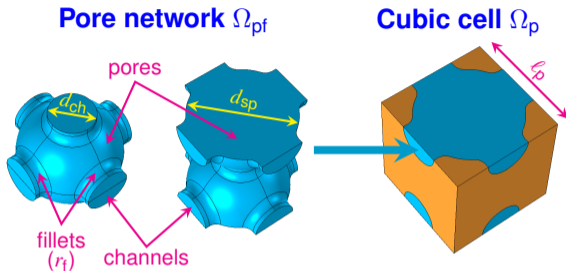
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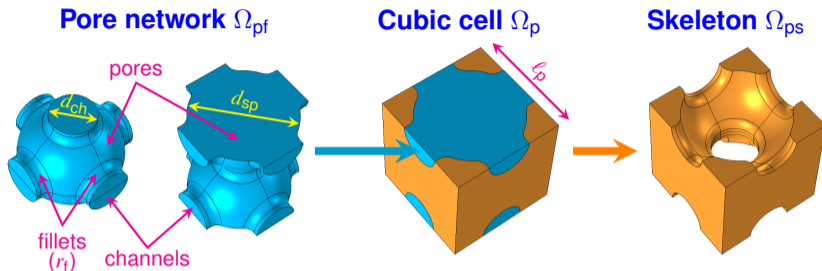
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Advice

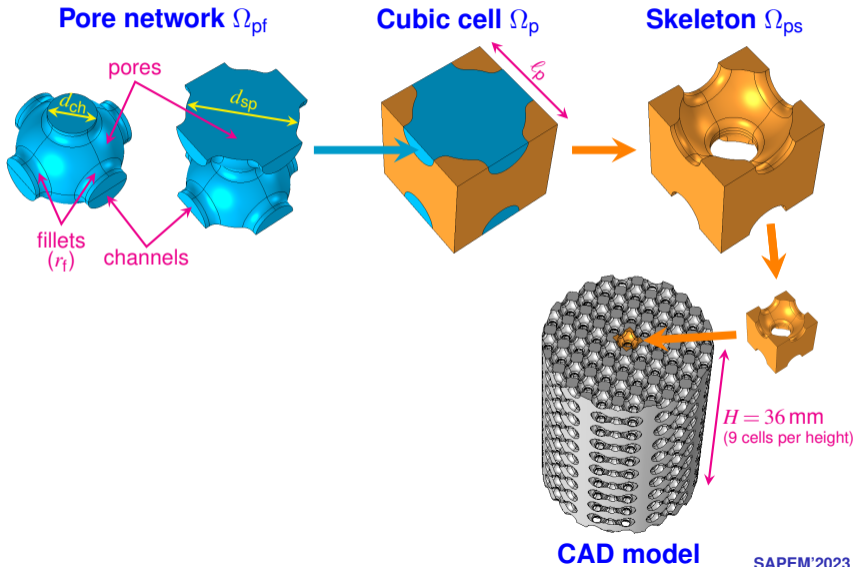
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 $\phi_d = 1 - \phi_p = 55.9\%$ (**skeleton**)

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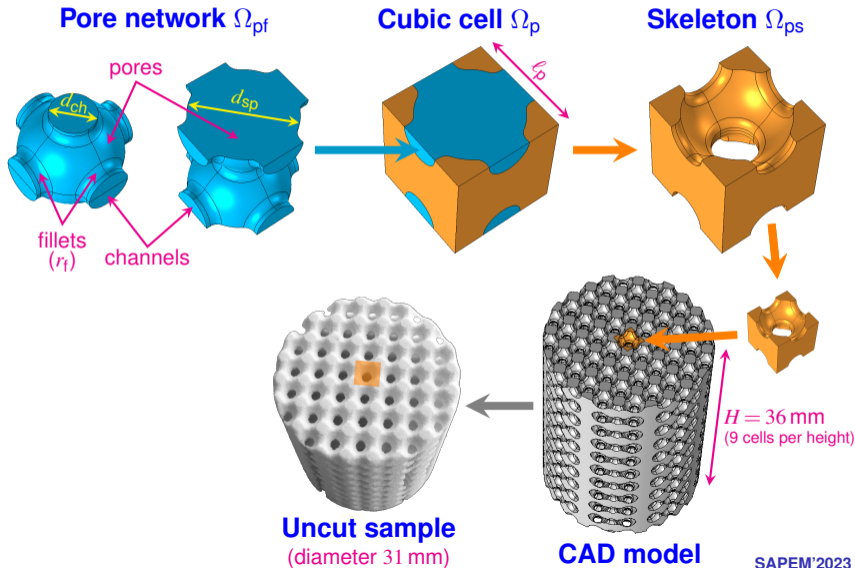


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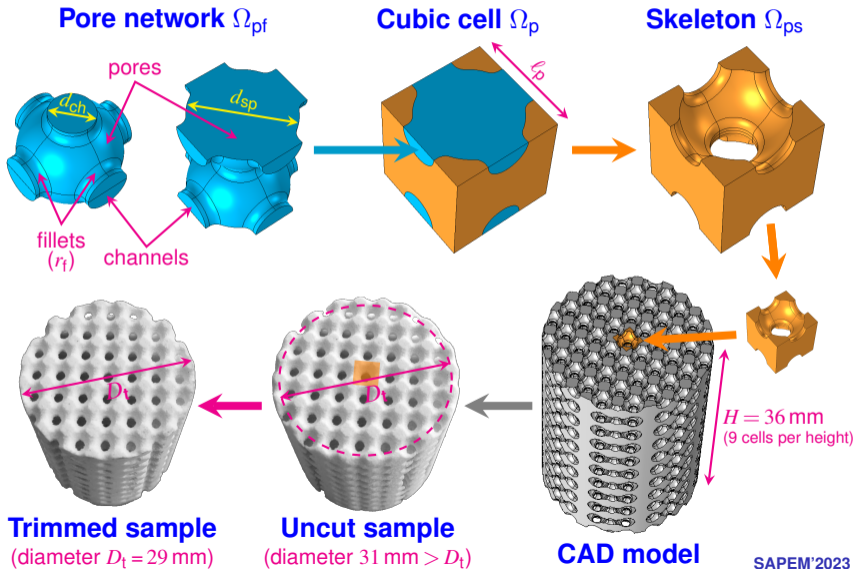
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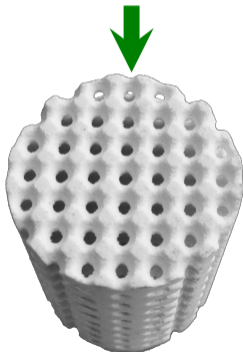
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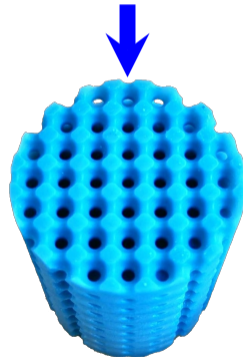
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gypsum sample

SLA – Stereolithography

- *Formlabs Form 3B*
- **photopolymer resin**
(of low viscosity)

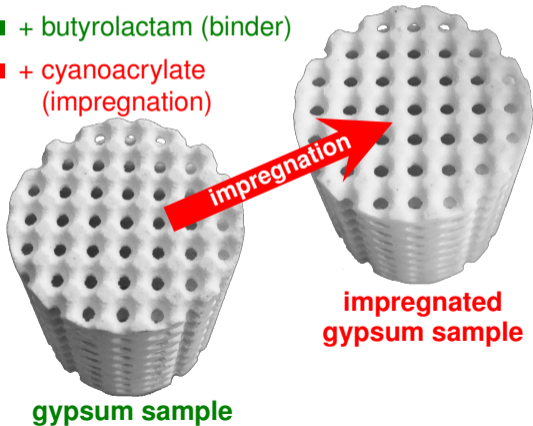


resin sample

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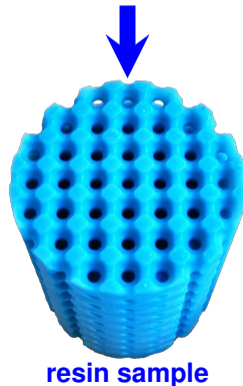
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- + cyanoacrylate (impregnation)



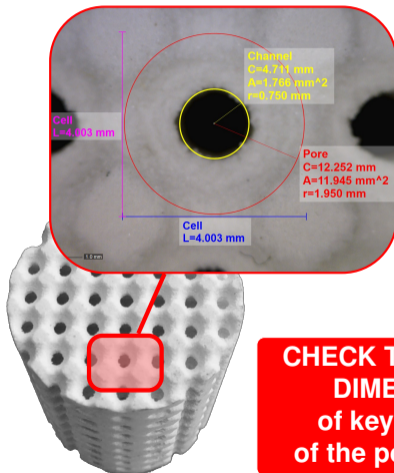
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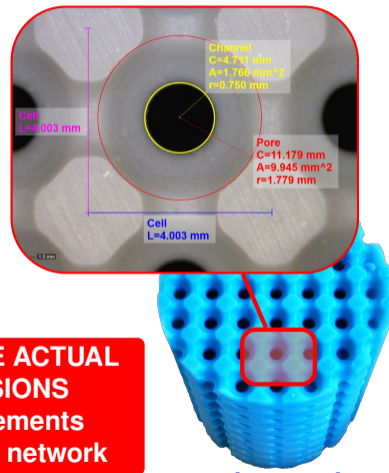
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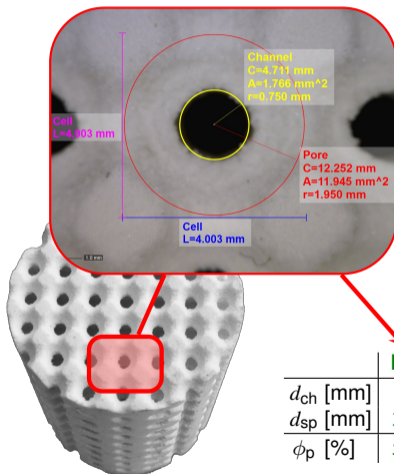


resin sample

**CHECK THE ACTUAL
DIMENSIONS
of key elements
of the pore network**

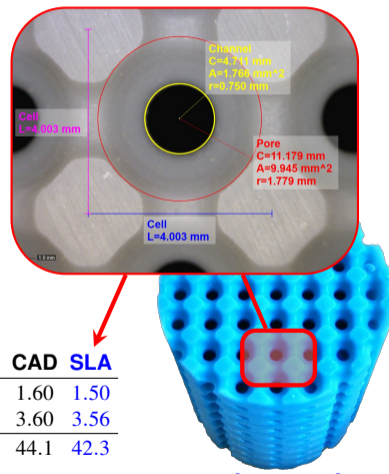
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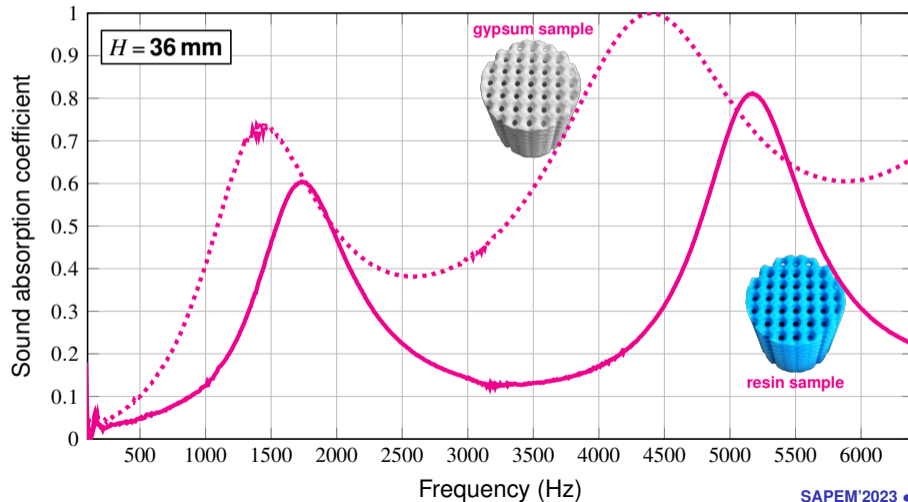


resin sample

	BJP	CAD	SLA
d_{ch} [mm]	1.50	1.60	1.50
d_{sp} [mm]	3.90	3.60	3.56
ϕ_p [%]	50.7	44.1	42.3

Example: 3D printed acoustic materials with double porosity

Experiment: — resin sample gypsum sample



Measurements

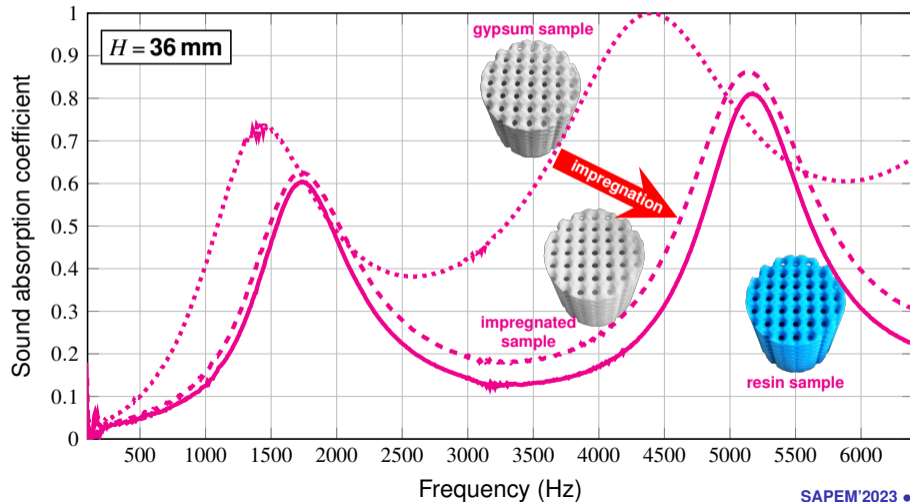
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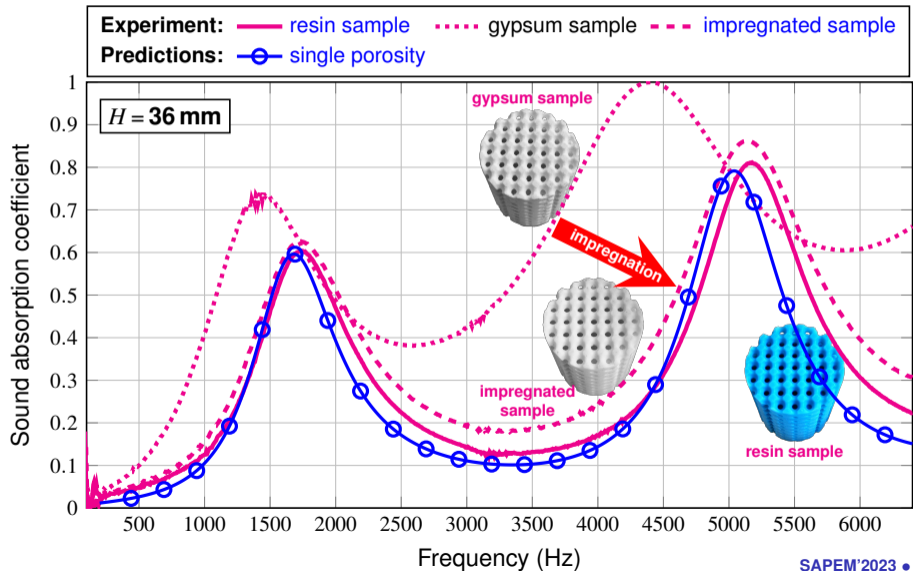
Experiment: — resin sample gypsum sample - - - impregnated sample

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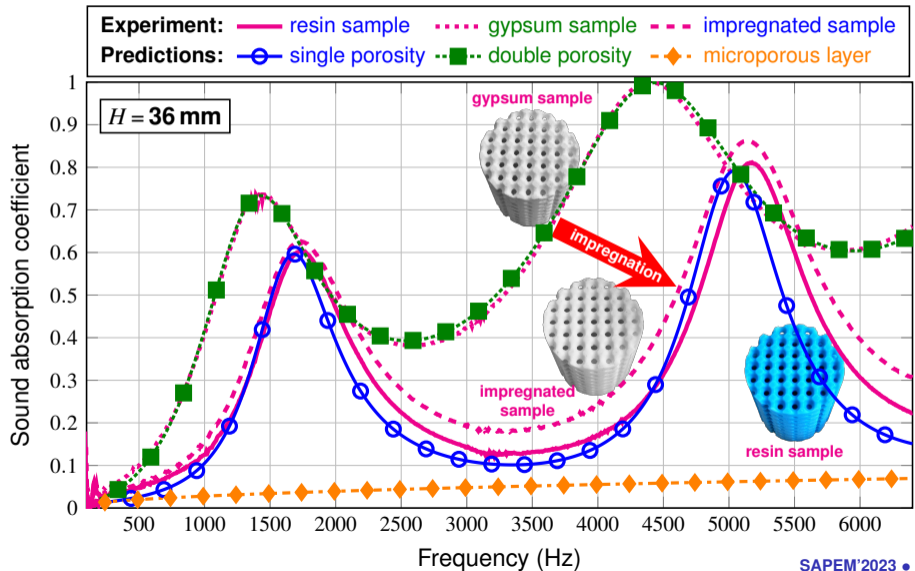
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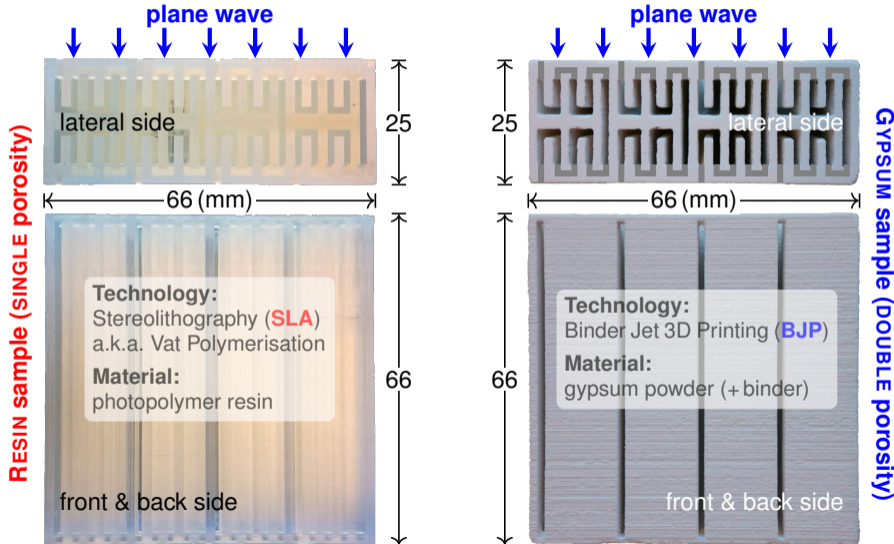
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- An additional dissipation mechanism in the **double-porosity** material is **pressure diffusion** in the micropores

Example: 3D printed panels with extremely tortuous slits



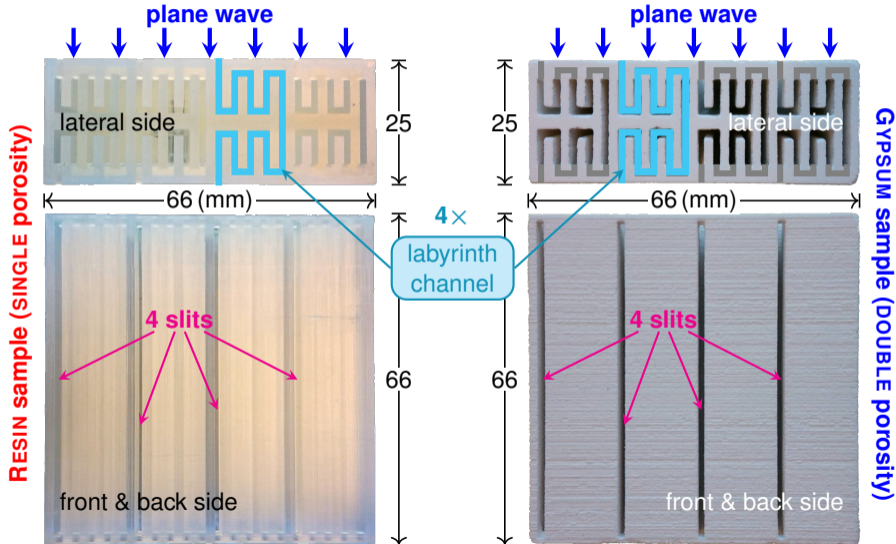
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resin sample:

- high quality
- transparent
- low-viscosity resin is easily removed from the slit channels

BJP (3D Systems ProJet 160)
gypsum sample:

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- surface and geometric imperfections
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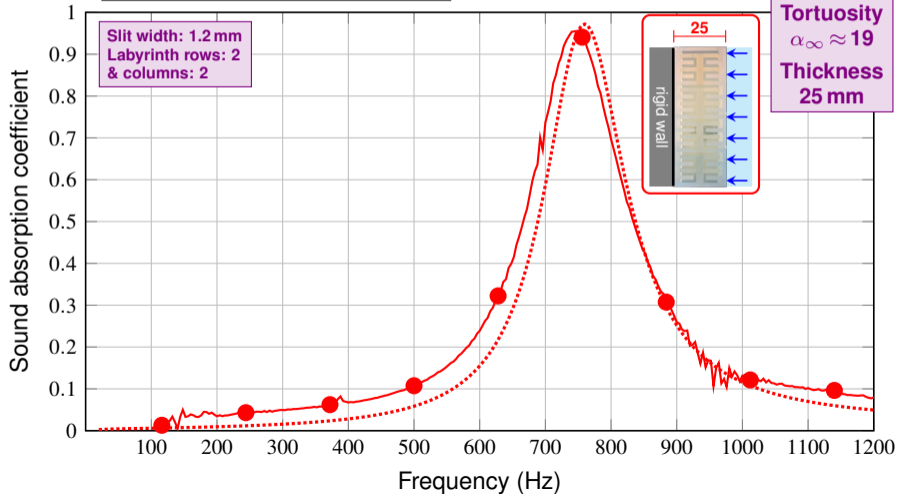
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Experiment: ● Resin sample
 Predictions: Single porosity

Slit width: 1.2 mm
 Labyrinth rows: 2
 & columns: 2



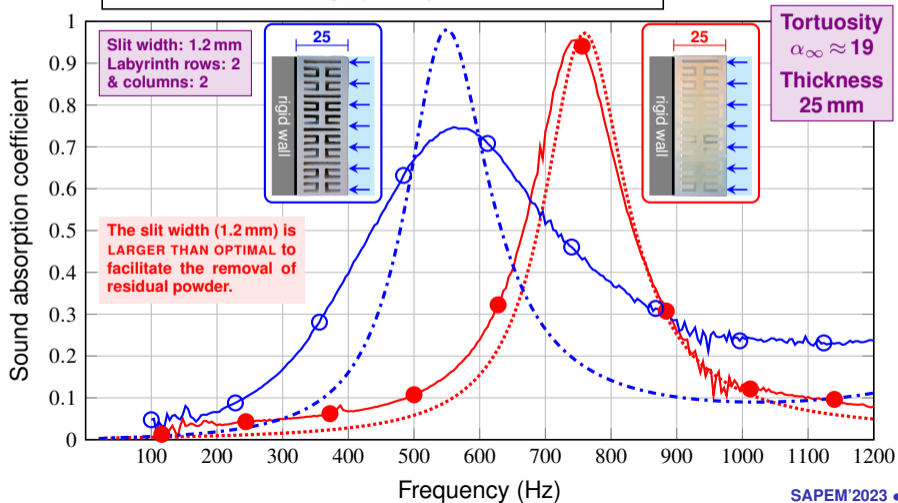
Tortuosity
 $\alpha_{\infty} \approx 19$
 Thickness
 25 mm

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 resin sample:

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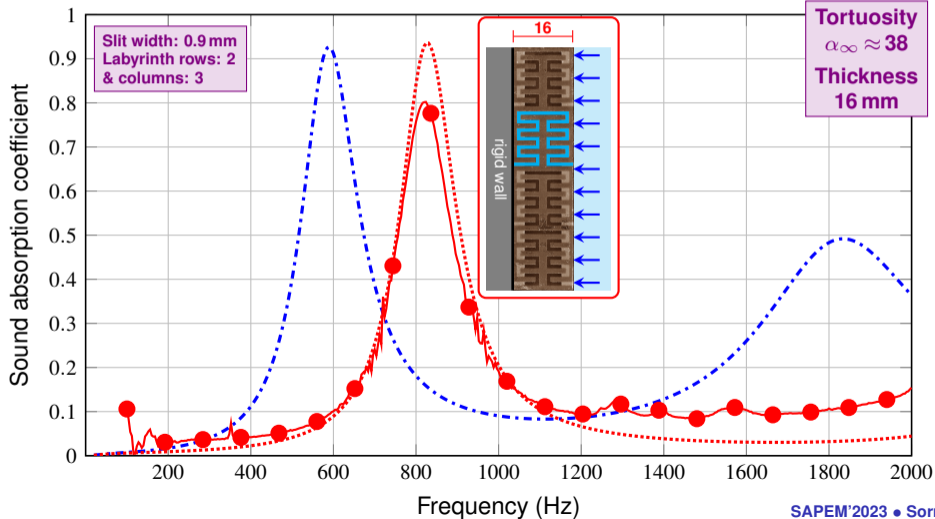
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BJP (3D Systems ProJet 160)
gypsum sample:

- **pressure diffusion** caused by **double porosity** is confirmed by experiment
- **large discrepancies** between predictions and measurements due to: **sound leaks**, **geometric imperfections**, **surface roughness**, **microporous anisotropy**

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Predictions: - - - Double porosity ····· Single porosity Experiment: —●— Resin sample

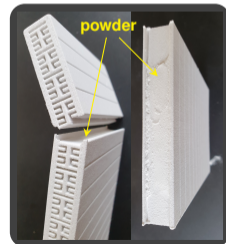


Original design

Thinner panel:

- thickness: 16 mm
- slit width: 0.9 mm
- tortuosity: 38

Problems removing powder residues!



Conclusions

3D printing imperfections

- Typical 3D printing **imperfections**, such as roughness, microporosity, and fibres, usually **increase** effects responsible for the **dissipation** of sound wave energy.
- **Minor** imperfections **can often be ignored** in the modelling and design, and simply explain small (acceptable) discrepancies between the predictions and measurements.
- Major imperfections cannot be ignored, however, **irregular and random** imperfections are **difficult to model**.
- **Imperfections can be controlled and should therefore be included in the modelling to design and optimise more efficient acoustic materials.**

Basic but important recommendations

- **Modelling:** Include 3D printing tolerances in the modelling for final predictions.
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