



Additive Manufacturing for Tooling and Composite Parts

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- **AGENDA**
- Stratasys Solutions
- First composite material: Nylon 12CF
- Composite tooling applications
 - Lay up tools
 - Sacrificial tools

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The Stratasys Ecosystem



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3D printers and
production 3D
printers

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Stratasys Direct
Manufacturing

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Industry expertise
and specialized
applications

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Stratasys Strategic
Consulting

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Professional
Services and
Customer Support

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Extensive range
of materials

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Design and
engineering
communities

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Strategic
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Stratasys Core Additive Manufacturing Technologies



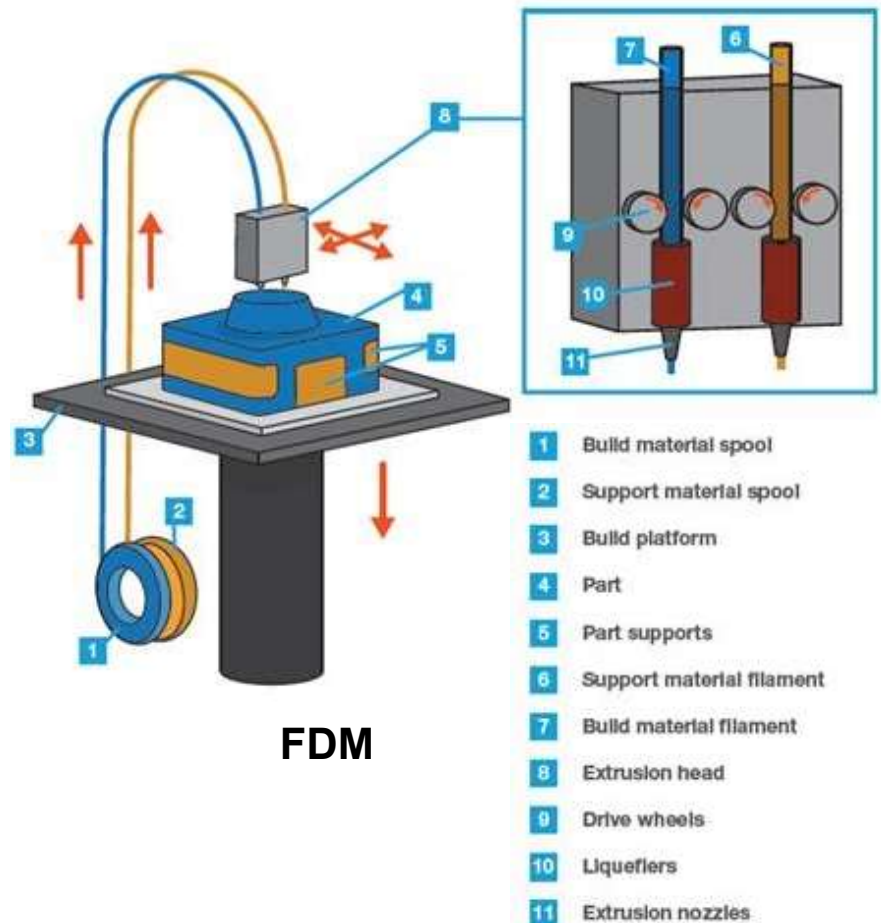
Fused Deposition Modeling

Thermoplastic filament is heated to a semi-liquid state and extruded across computer-controlled tool paths to build parts layer-upon-layer



Material Jetting

Deposits droplets of UV-cured resins in multiple colors and textures for fine-detailed prototypes



FDM NYLON 12CF™

FDM NYLON 12CF (Carbon fiber-filled) CHARACTERISTICS



STIFFNESS & STRENGTH

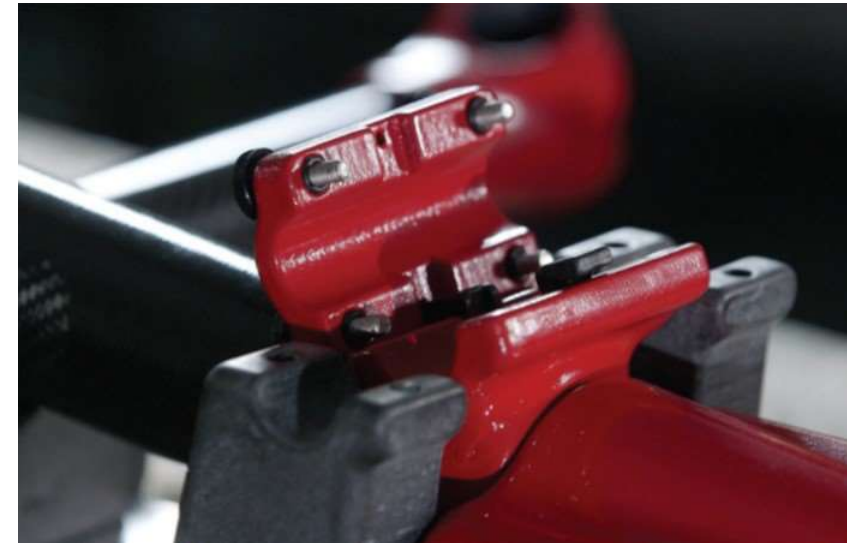
HIGHEST STRENGTH-TO-WEIGHT RATIO

FDM Nylon 12CF, a **carbon fiber-filled thermoplastic** delivering the **highest strength and stiffness to weight ratio** of any Stratasys FDM material.

Layer resolution: 0.010 inch (0.254 mm)

Unique stiffness and strength allows it to:

- Build prototypes that withstand functional testing
- Replace metal components in
 - Prototyping
 - Jigs & fixtures
 - Select end-use parts



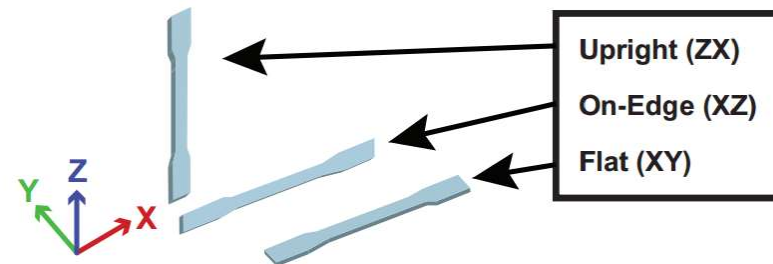
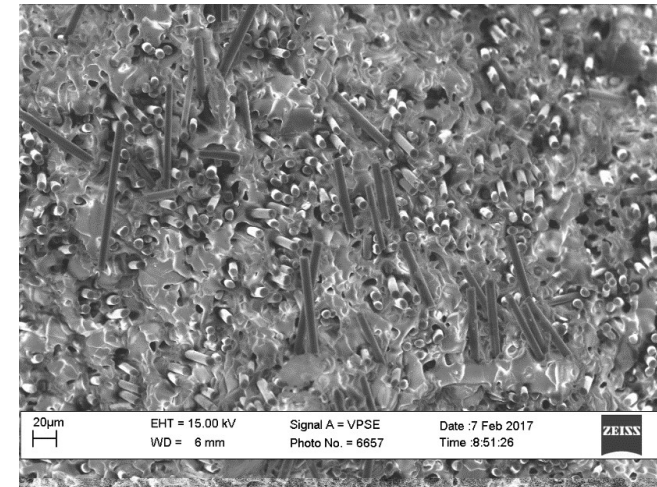
Highest strength and stiffness to weight ratio

For use on: 450mc

STRATASYS FDM NYLON 12CF

Mechanical Properties (Metric Units)

Product Features	Nylon 12CF XZ	Nylon 12CF ZX
Yield Strength	63 MPa	32 MPa
Ultimate Tensile Strength	76 MPa	34 MPa
Tensile Modulus	7,529 MPa	2,299 MPa
Elongation at break	1.9%	1.23%
Flexural Strength	142 MPa	58 MPa
Izod Impact (unnotched)	310 J/m	85 J/m



All Specimens Conditioned = 20°C and 50% RH for 72 hours
 ASTM Test Method – reference available on specification sheet

FDM NYLON 12CF

TOP USE CASES & INDUSTRIES

USE CASES

- Functional prototyping, simulates final product
- Manufacturing tooling
- Production parts
- ESD components
- Structural components

INDUSTRIES:

- Automotive
- Sporting goods
- Aerospace



NYLON 12CF LIGHTENS THE LOAD IN WEIGHT AND COSTS

Converting metal to plastic

Nylon 12CF is strong enough to replace metal parts, in order to **lighten the weight** and **reduce part costs**.

Metal parts produced in Nylon 12CF

- Brake levers
- Caliper cover
- Chain guard
- Engine cover
- Stand
- Foot pegs

Benefits:

- Reduce part costs
- Lighten motorcycle, increase performance



MANUFACTURING GRADE MATERIALS THAT CAN MEET THE STRICTEST REQUIREMENTS



Orbital ATK Webinar Manufacturing Applications for FDM Composite Materials

Orbital-ATK leverages the versatility of the first FDM composite material for tooling and flight hardware

<http://www.stratasys.com/campaign/webinar/orbital-atk>





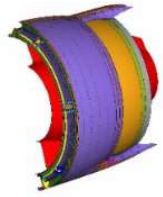
Composite Tooling

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Composite Tooling Today

Metal Tooling - ~75% of market

Model



Mold
\$300-600K
6-12 months



Machining
Fixture
\$100-200K
3-4 months



Part
Fabrication



FRP Tooling - ~25% of market

Model



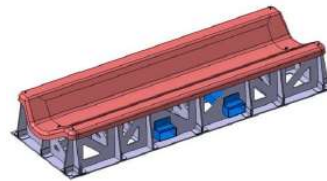
Master
\$40-60K
7-8 weeks



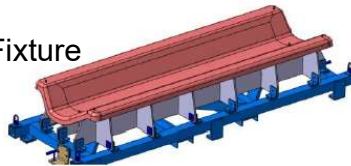
Hand Lay-Up +
Machining



Mold
\$40-60K
9-11 weeks



Machining Fixture
\$40-60K
9-11 weeks



Current Pain Points

- High costs and long lead times
- High levels of touch labor.
- Costly design changes
- Large, heavy tools – difficult to move and store

Benefits of FDM

- Disruptive time & cost savings
- Reduced lead times enable iteration, change, optimization
- Respond quickly to demand fluctuation
- Tailor the tool to the application vs. one-size-fits-all
- High temperature-capable materials
- Handle tools with people, not cranes and forklifts

FDM Applications in Composite Tooling

Lay-Up Tooling



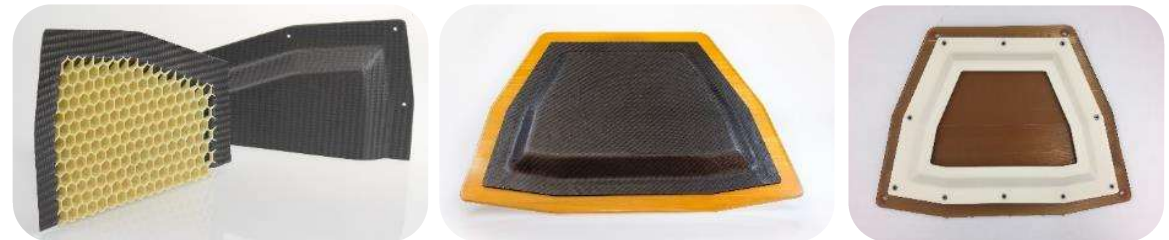
Sacrificial (Wash-Out) Tooling



Large Lay-Up Tooling

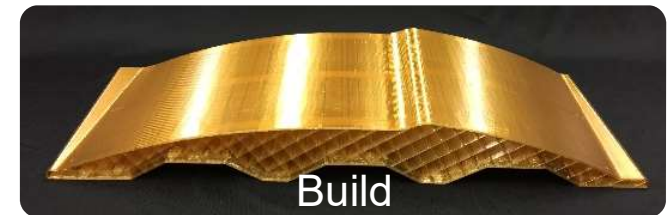
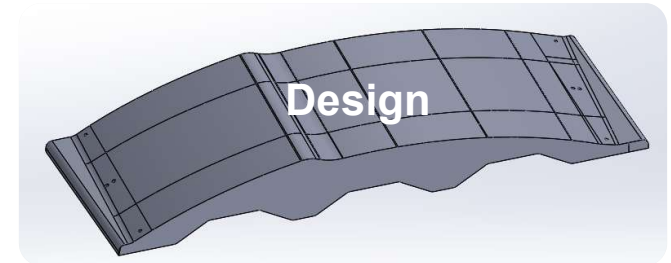
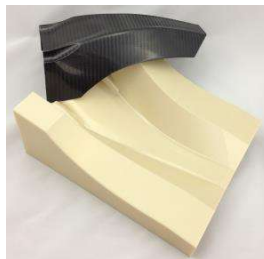
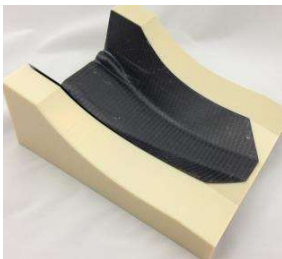


Coordinated Tool Family



Lay-Up Tooling

- Capable, cost effective lay-up tooling
- Lay-Up Tools, High temp, Autoclave compatible
 - $>177^{\circ}\text{C}$ (350°F), 7 Bar (100 psig)
- Eliminates the need for masters, machining, and assembly
- Iterate, change and modify designs with relative ease



Lay-Up Tooling Considerations

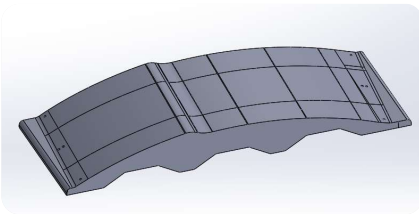
Key Considerations

- Cure temperature (and pressure)
- Coefficient of thermal expansion
- Accuracy / tolerances, design features
- Build orientation / design for additive manufacturing (AM)
- Vacuum bagging, structural integrity
- Surface preparation (tool sealing)



Design Guide

Design



Build



FDM Sacrificial Tooling Overview

Easy-to-produce, cost-effective wash-out tooling for complex, trapped geometries

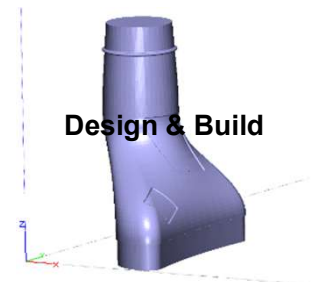
- Wash-out solutions capable up to 121 °C
- Break-away solutions capable of >177 °C

Eliminates complexity of traditional trapped tooling methods

- No casting, molding, machining...no mess
- No material phase changes (e.g., eutectic salts)
- No complex, multi-piece, collapsible tools or inflatable bladders
- No steep learning curves or extensive prior expertise required

Tools available in hours, not weeks or months

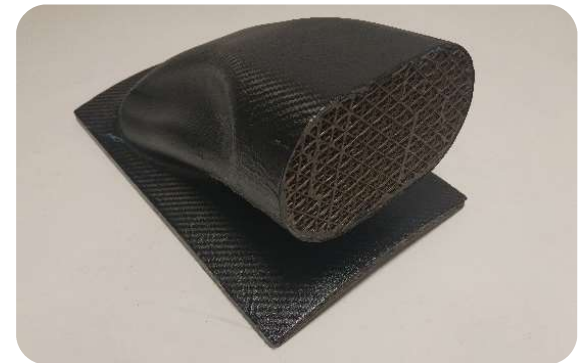
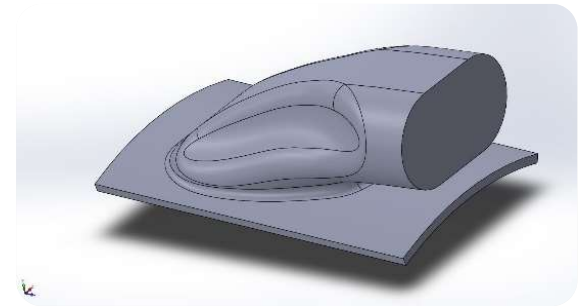
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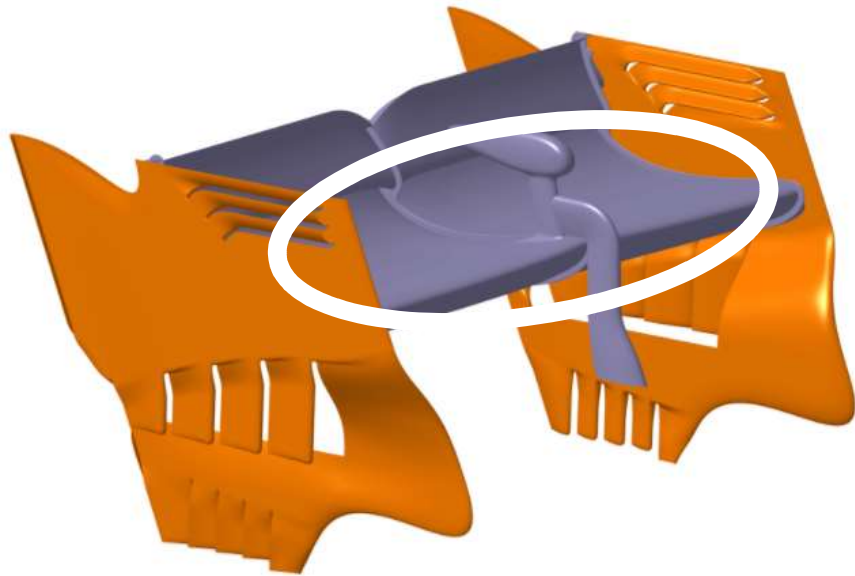
Customer Success Story – Sacrificial Tooling

Enabling an advanced product development team through complex part fabrication

- Aero inlet duct with a complex, trapped-tool geometry
- Wash-out tooling material (ST-130) used in place of multi-piece bonded assembly and traditional wash-out tooling materials
- From concept design to composite part in < 1 week
 - FDM build time is < 24 hours
 - Default porous triangle fill pattern – optimized for autoclave curing and tool dissolution
 - Low temperature (<93°C), 90 psi cure cycle



McLaren Racing - Rear Wing Main plane



7 DAYS



WOKING, UK

DESIGN STUDIO

TUESDAY 29th MARCH

SHANGHAI INTERNATIONAL CIRCUIT,
CHINA

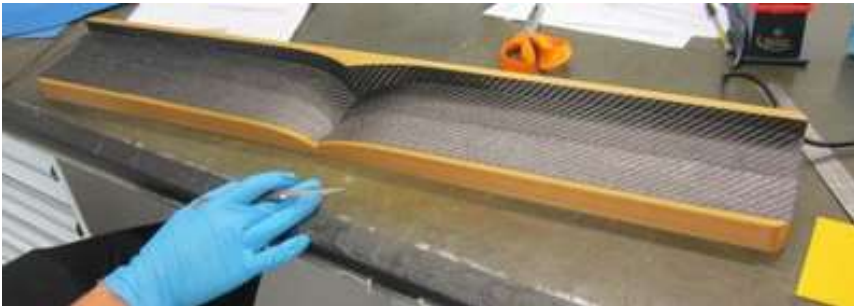
TRACKSIDE FOR PRACTICE SESSION 1

WEDNESDAY 5th APRIL

McLaren Racing – DRS Wing Flap



3 DAYS



TEAM PENSKE – INDYCAR | GETTING AN EDGE IN RACING

Composite Tooling

“ Racing engineers are always trying to get another tenth of a second. With 3D printing, it improves the cycle of part development ”

Team Penske, an American racing team, one of the most successful INDYCAR racing

CHALLENGE

Current fueling probe used during pit stops was heavy and not ergonomic, slowing down

SOLUTION

Stratasys FDM ULTEM 1010 resin composite tooling and ST130 sacrificial tooling

BENEFITS

- Tooling **lead time reduction** from 4-6 weeks to less than 1 week compared to epoxy tooling board and soluble ceramic tooling
- **Reduced weight** of refueling probe housing
- Able to refuel cars with **greater speed and ease**



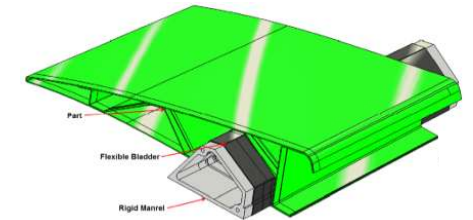
**TEAM
PENSKE®**



Customer Success Story – Lay-Up Mandrels

Enabling innovation for a leading business-jet OEM

- High-temperature, cost-effective lay-up tooling for an innovative “single shot” composite aileron (patent pending)
- Guided material selection (ULTEM 1010 resin) and optimization of the design and build parameters
- Leveraged experience to use a typical drawback (high thermal expansion) as a significant advantage – improved compaction and hassle-free mandrel extraction
- Cut tooling lead time from months to under 10 days





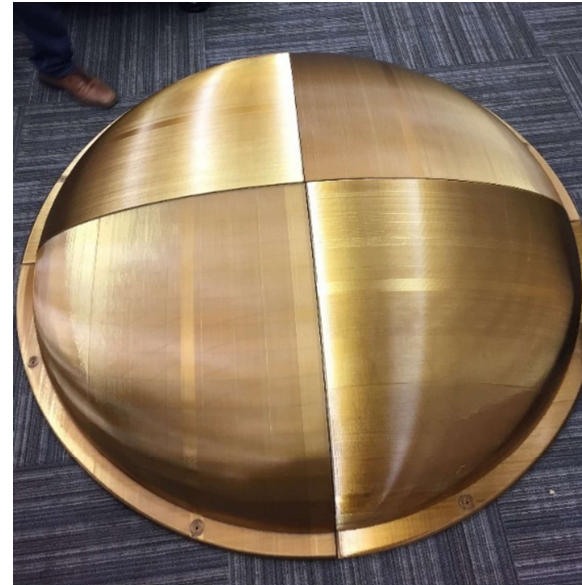
AFS addressed a critical customer need for a 3 meter composite “belly pod” fairing tool

Reduced lead time from 2-3 months to 2 weeks

Featured in June 2015 *Composites World* article



LARGE TOOLING PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT



WHAT COMES NEXT FOR COMPOSITES

Today



Tomorrow



THANK YOU

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