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Engine parts, GE



Cake, 3DSystems/Culinary



Sculpture, Bathsheba Grossman



Prosthetics, Bespoke Innovations



**Prosthetics, Open Bionics** 

### 3D Print Almost Anything... Almost <u>Anywhere</u>...



Longhorn Maker Studio at UT Austin

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Medical devices, Not Impossible Labs (Sudan)

### 3D Printing: The Next Industrial Revolution?



Cranial implants, Custom IMD

### Why are we so fascinated by 3D printing?

# How does 3D printing work?

### How does 3D printing work?





### How does 3D printing work? Material Extrusion Process



### How does it work? Laser Sintering Process



Other kinds of manufacturing:

Molding



Xcentricmold.com

Other kinds of manufacturing:

Subtractive



Caldergr.com



Wegst, et al., Nature

# What are the origins of additive manufacturing?

## The Origins of Additive Manufacturing Nature



Beginning of time: Nature

**Fimeline** 

### The Origins of Additive Manufacturing 3D Photosculptures (1860s)

1860s-1870s: Photoscupitures

imeline

Beginning of time: Nature



Admiral Farragut sits for photosculpture, late 1860's

### The Origins of Additive Manufacturing Topography Techniques (1892)



1890s: Topography

imeline

1860s-1870s: Photoscupltures

Beginning of time: Nature

### The Origins of 3D Printing



#### 1981: IBM PC

1890s-1980s: Topography

1860s-1870s: PhotoscupItures



IBM 5150 PC

Beginning of time: Nature

### The Origins of 3D Printing Laser Sintering, Stereolithography, FDM





1890s-1980s: Topography

1860s-1870s: Photoscupltures

Beginning of time: Nature





Early Laser Sintering at UT Austin

Carl Deckard Joe Beaman

### Present Day: New Industrial Revolution?

1989: Fused Deposition Modeling

1986:

Laser Sintering

1984: Stereolithography

**Timeline** 

1890s-1980s: Topography

1860s-1870s: PhotoscupItures



Beginning of time: Nature

# Is 3D printing the next industrial revolution?

### Is 3D Printing the next industrial revolution?



Oxford Museum of the History of Science absoc.org

Ely, Kashdan, Kuhr, Swantner, Vaughan UT Austin

# So, what are we 3D printing now?

### **One-of-a-kind fabrication**





Olaf Diegel Wohlers Report 2012

www.3DSystems.com Harvest Technologies

### Personal Customization





Crawford, Neptune, et al. UT Austin

Invisalign

### Functional complexity



GE/EADS via Ponoko.com



Lopes, MacDonald, Wicker, 2012, RPJ

### A Snapshot of One of My Research Projects

#### **Collaborators:**

Mike Haberman, Preston Wilson, Desi Kovar, Dixon Correa, Tim Klatt, Sergio Cortes, Ken Bostwick, Mark Kershisnik, Jared Allison, Zahra Ahmed

### Negative Stiffness Honeycombs with Superior Impact Protection

#### **Conventional Honeycomb**

Plastic buckling has a short, one-compression lifespan







#### New NS Honeycomb

Elastic buckling is resilient, allowing for multiple compressions



(Correa et al., 2014, 2015); Graphic courtesy of Cockrell School of Engineering

### Negative Stiffness Honeycombs with Superior Impact Protection

Demonstration of a **Negative Stiffness (NS) Honeycomb** showing elastic buckling

### **Compressive Behavior of NS Honeycomb**





#### Impact Performance of NS Honeycombs





High speed video of a negative stiffness honeycomb under impact [5].

[5] K. S. Bostwick, "Impact Loading Effects on Negative Stiffness Honeycomb Structures", Master's Thesis, The University of Texas at Austin, 2015.

### Impact Behavior of NS Honeycomb



### **Personal Protection Applications**



Prototype impact captured by high speed camera.

### How does it feel to wear this device?





## Where do we go from here?

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Mansoor et al., 2013, Princeton (Extremetech.com) Attala, Wake Forest University

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Cornucopia: Digital Gastronomy

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The Sugar Lab

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**Cornell Creative Machines Lab** 

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Barron, Gallagher, Cook, Pradhan, Wang, UT Austin Autodesk 123D

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LAMPS, Courtesy of Beaman, Fish, and colleagues

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## What will you make?

### **Team Acknowledgements**

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### Dr. Carolyn Seepersad

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Dr. Carolyn Seepersad's research focuses on developing methods and computational tools for engineering design. She led the creation of The Innovation Station, the first of its kind 3D printing vending machine, accessible to all students on the campus of UT Austin.

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