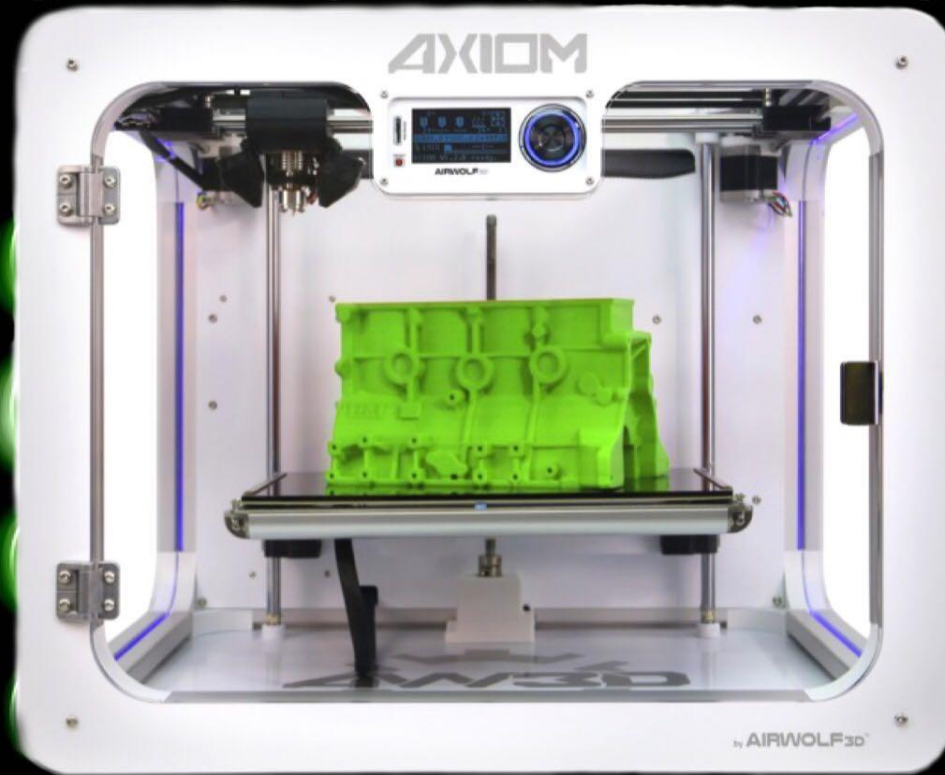
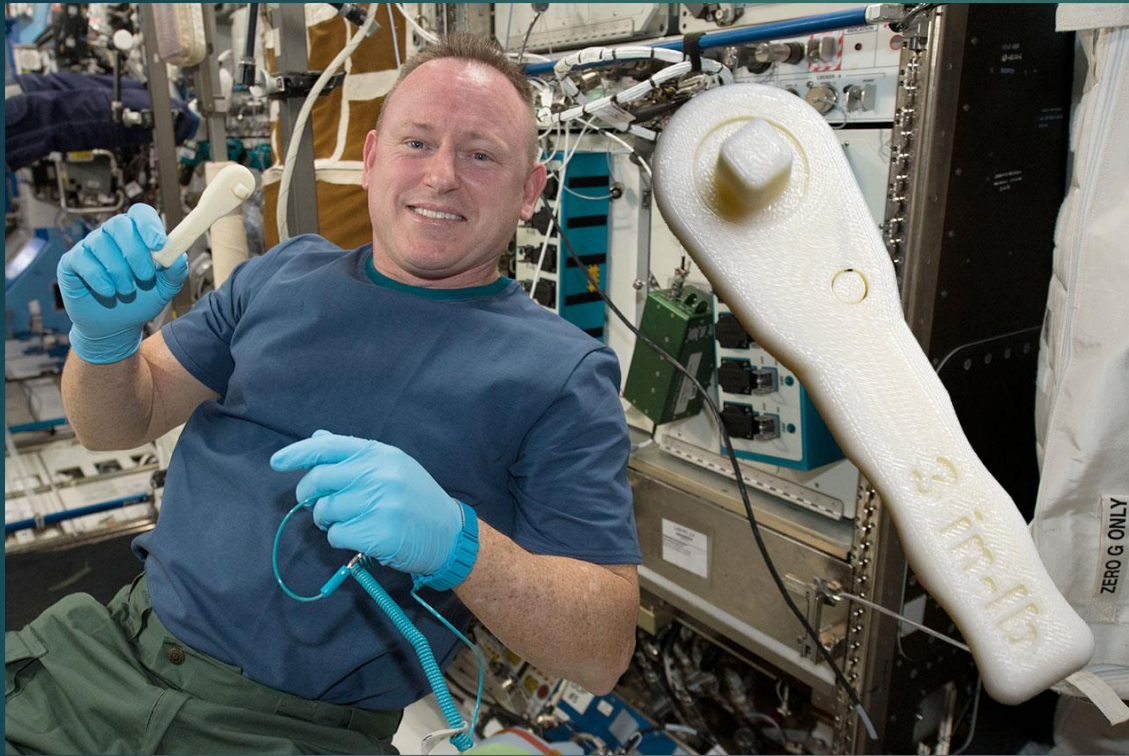


# THE DESKTOP 3D PRINTING REVOLUTION AND THE SOFTWARE BEHIND IT



Orange County Professional Chapter  
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# FAR-REACHING IMPLICATIONS



Space Station's  
3D Printer  
Makes Wrench  
From 'Beamed  
Up' Design

# FROM THE HEADLINES



Credit: [www.telegraph.co.uk](http://www.telegraph.co.uk)

Cody Wilson,  
3D Printed a  
Gun and  
Posted  
Instructions  
Online

# STRATEGIC ADVANTAGE FOR FEETZ

## Affordable Manufacturing of Custom Parts

*Smart phone + 3D printer = Personalized Shoes*



I.D.E.A.

COBBLING TOGETHER A NEW WAY OF MAKING SHOES

CNN

4:59 PM PT

ERIN BURNETT

# APPLICATIONS: MEDICAL

Custom fitted orthopedic devices can cost over \$500, but new AM printed casts can cost approximately ~\$200



3DMedScan creates AmphibianSkin, a new medical device that is designed to be lightweight and breathable while also providing structural strength

# APPLICATIONS: AEROSPACE

3D printing airplane engines...



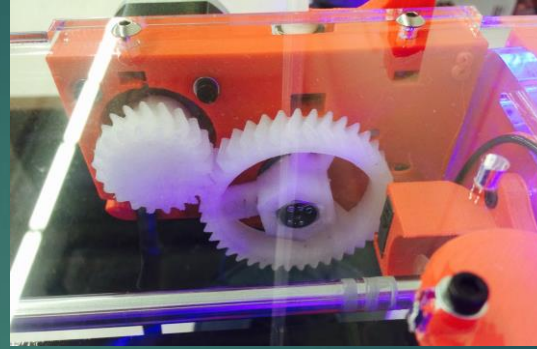
Each Leap engine will contain 19 metal 3D-printed fuel nozzles. The part is lighter and more durable than traditional parts



# STRATEGIC ADVANTAGE FOR AIRWOLF 3D

## Faster Product Development Cycle

“Since we 3D print many plastic components on the Airwolf 3D printers we can quickly make modifications and improvements then implement changes the very next day.”



# APPLICATIONS: FASHION



Entirely 3D printed dress, accessories and shoes

ABS, Wolfbend TPU, and TPE

Designed to be a perfect fit for Sandy's body.

Total Material Cost = \$78

# APPLICATIONS: EDUCATION

Huntington Beach High School teacher Kevin Crossett helps his students apply mathematics and science to real-life projects

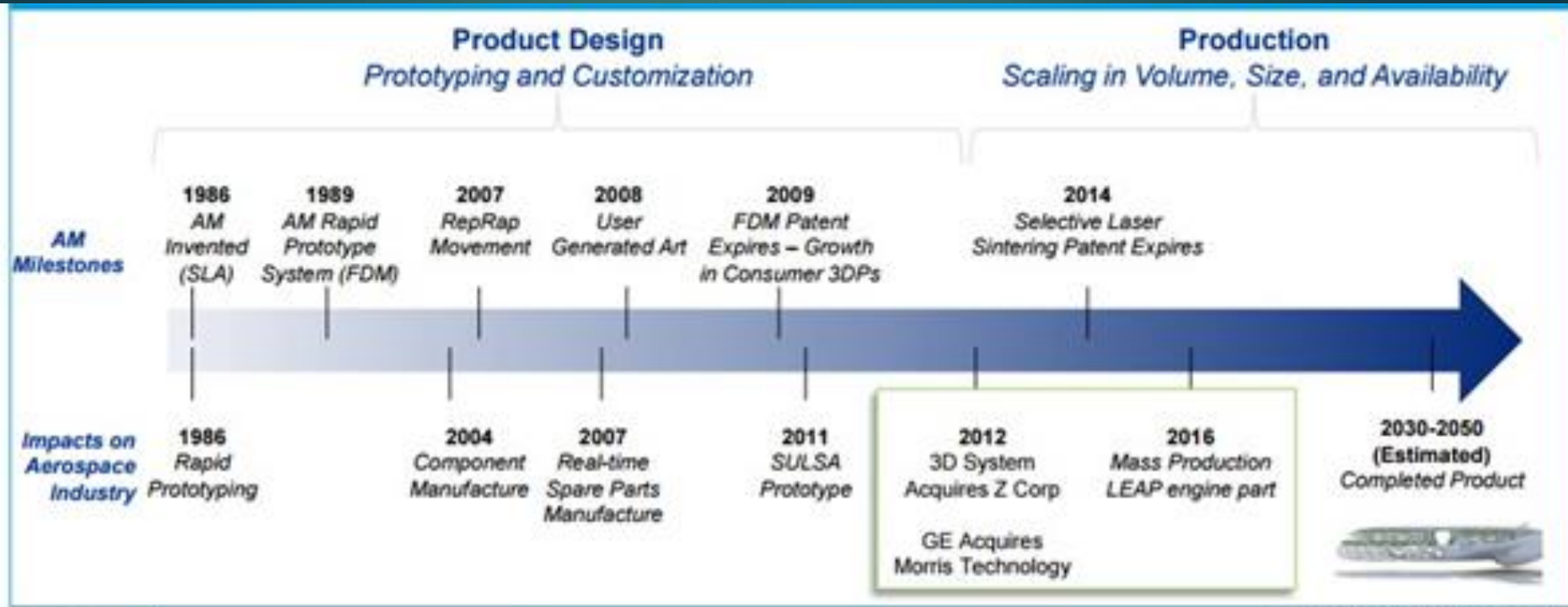


Creating remote control cars, designing houses and researching methods to improve on designs.

Students 3D print parts for projects.

# THE INDUSTRY IS A FAST-MOVING SPACE

## How did we get here?



# THE REPRAP MOVEMENT

Founded in 2005 by Dr. Adrian Bowyer, a Senior Lecturer in mechanical engineering at the University of Bath

British initiative to develop a 3D printer that can print most of its own components and be a low-cost 3D printer

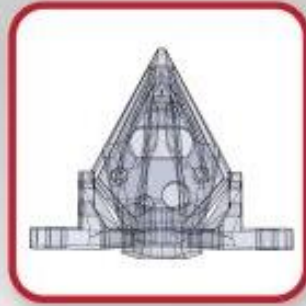


All of the designs produced by the project are released under a free software license, the GNU General Public License.

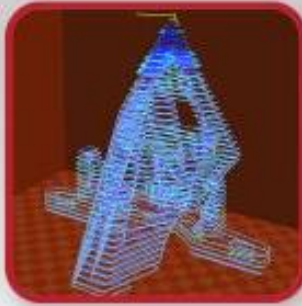
# Additive Manufacturing Process Flow



1 CAD-Based 3D Model



2 .STL File



3 Sliced Layers



4 AM System



5 End-Part Finishing

**Final  
Product**



# CAD

Examples of Computer Aided Drafting Software:



# TinkerCad



Website: [tinkercad.com](http://tinkercad.com)

Cost: free

Ease of Use: easiest

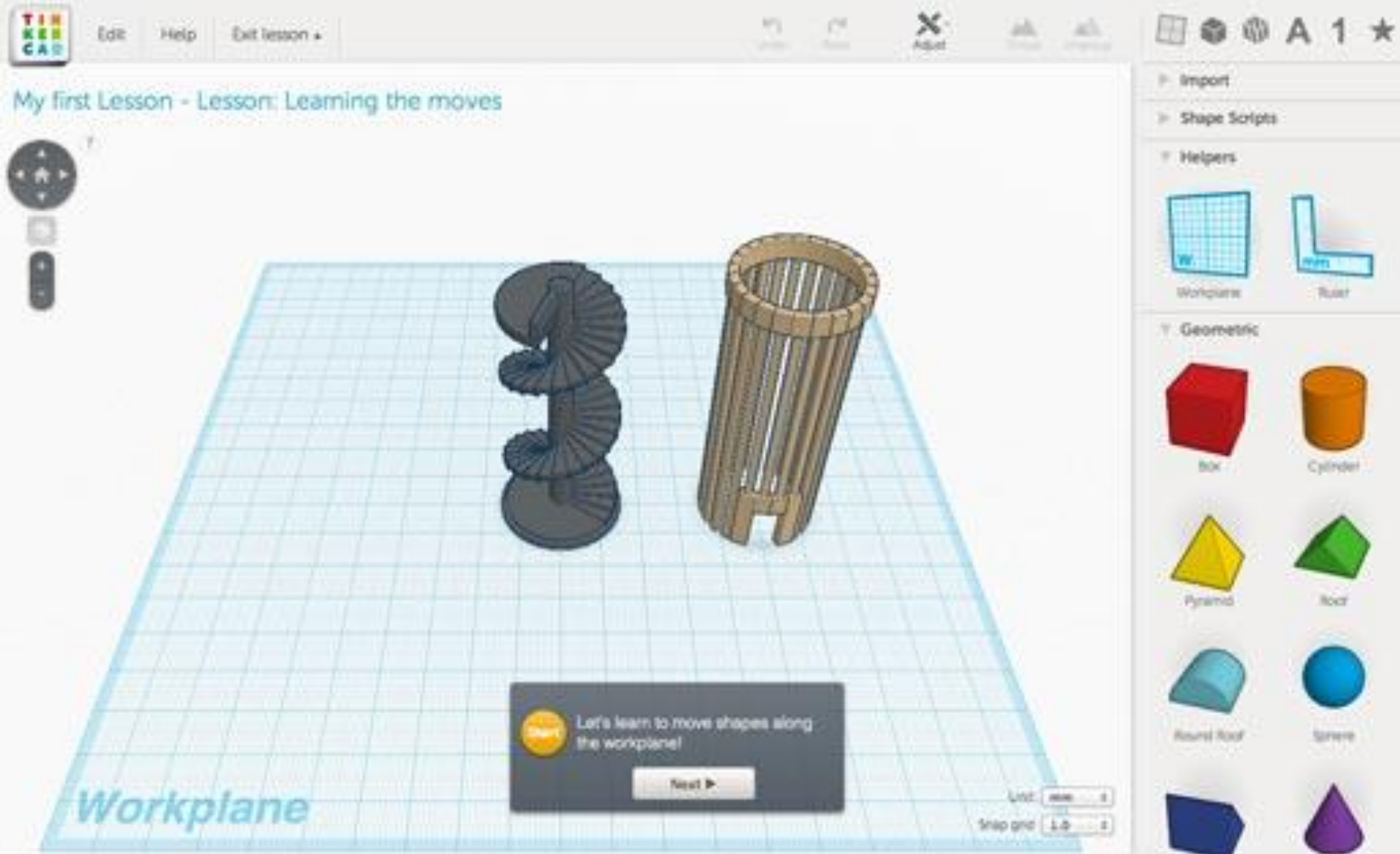
Description: On the **cloud**

Great for **beginners**

Develop **spatial reasoning**

OC Maker Challenge

# TinkerCad



# SketchUp



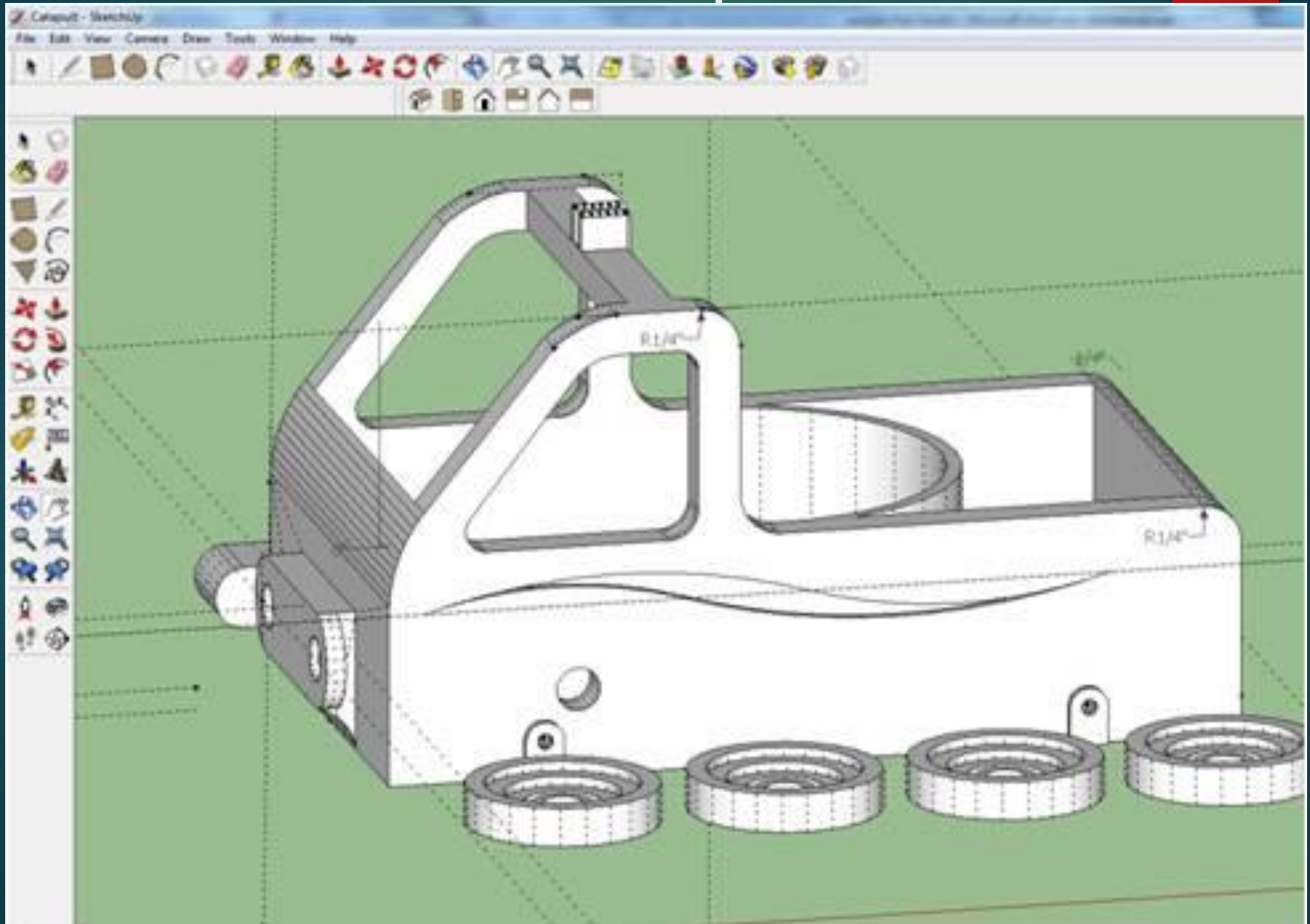
Website: [sketchup.com](http://sketchup.com)

Cost: Free for students, enthusiasts, hobbyists (or \$695 for Pro version)

Ease of Use: moderate

Description: Start by drawing lines and shapes. Push and pull surfaces to turn them into 3D forms. Stretch, copy, rotate and paint to make anything you like. Good for high school students and professionals.

# SketchUp



# Fusion 360



Website: [autodesk.com/products/fusion-360](https://autodesk.com/products/fusion-360)

Cost: Free for students, enthusiasts, hobbyists, and startups (or \$25/month)

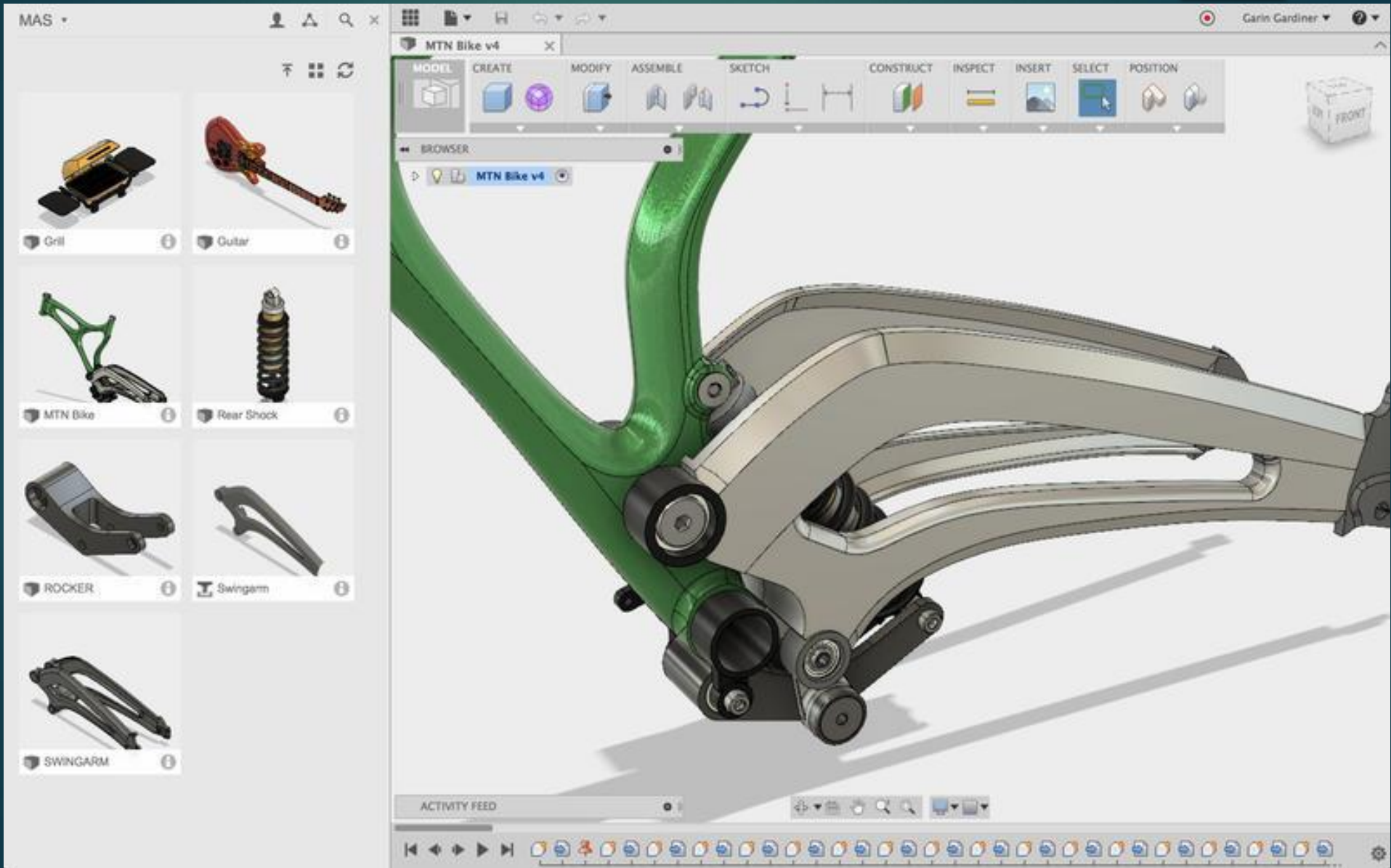
Ease of Use: fairly easy to learn

Description: 3D CAD, CAM, and CAE tool.

Connects the entire product development process in a single cloud-based platform.

Good for high school students and professionals.

# Fusion 360



# SolidWorks



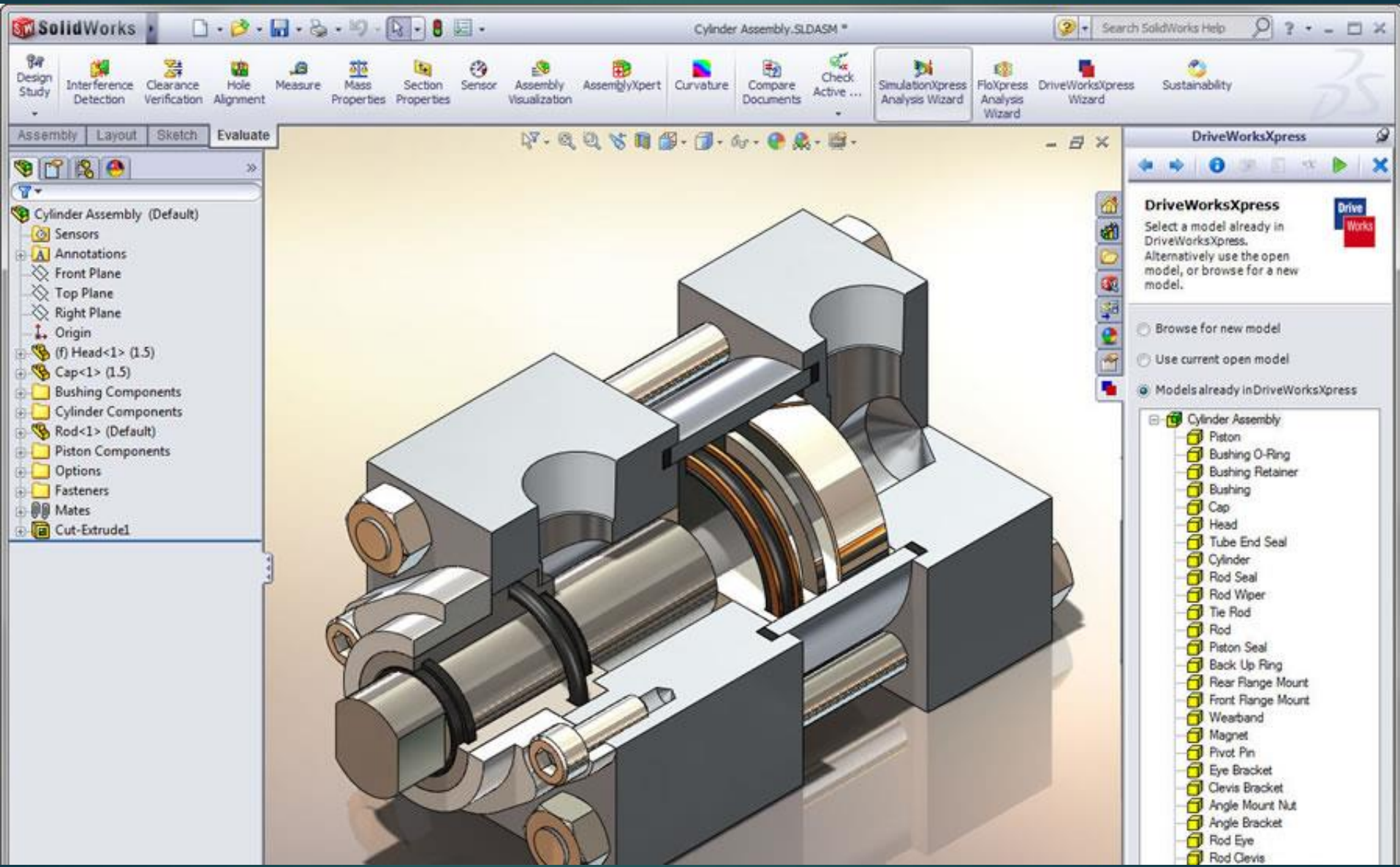
Website: [solidworks.com](http://solidworks.com)

Cost: \$4,000 to \$10,00 per seat (est.)

Ease of Use: difficult

Description: 3D design solutions that offer powerful simulation and design validation, as well as ECAD/MCAD collaboration, reverse engineering, and advanced wire and pipe routing functionality. Good for professional engineers.

# SolidWorks



# STL File

All of these export your model as an “**STL**” file



STL (STereoLithography) is a file format native to the stereolithography CAD software created by 3D Systems

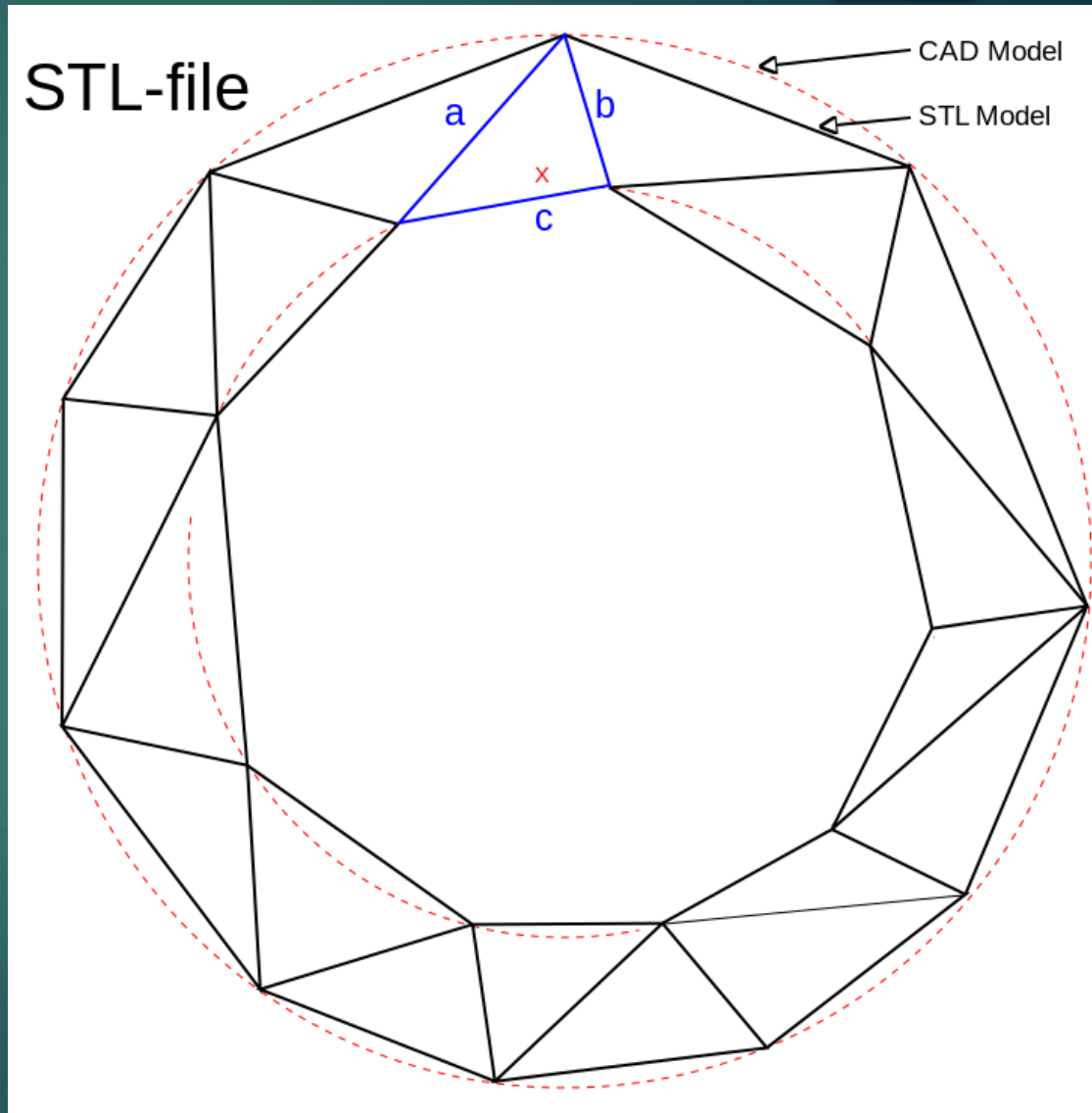
# STL File



- ▶ Describes only the surface geometry of a three-dimensional object
- ▶ Without any representation of color, texture or other common CAD model attributes.
- ▶ The STL format specifies both ASCII and binary representations. Binary more common, since they are more compact.

# STL File

Two concentric circles, representing a CAD model of a doughnut shape, and a series of triangles approximating the doughnut, representing how STL modeling works.



# Slicers

The STL is “sliced into layers”

STL

## Slicing Engines



Cura

gCode

# Open Source Slicing - Piece 1

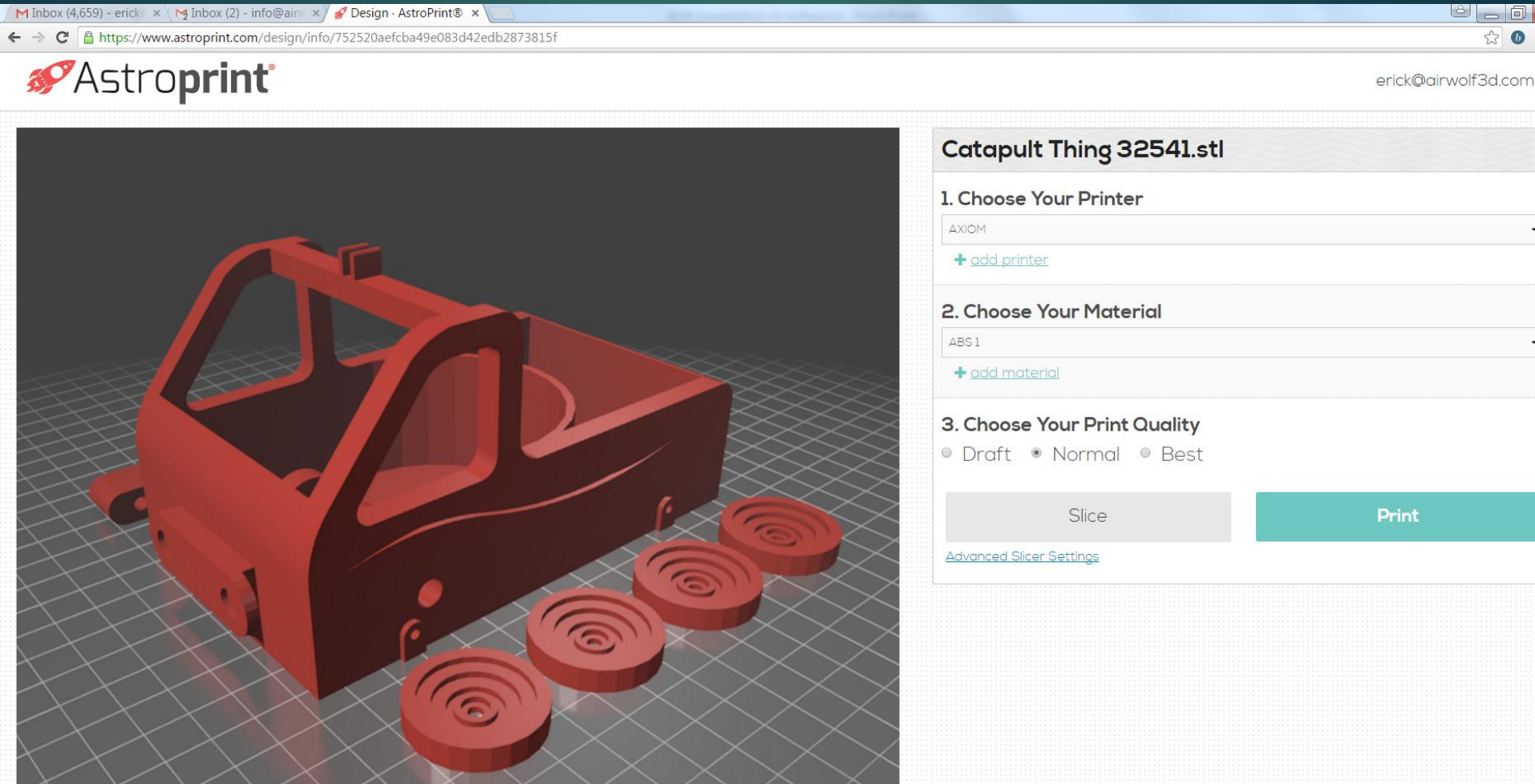
- ▶ ReplicatorG
  - ▶ Created in 2010 by Makerbot co-founders and open source community
  - ▶ Used for MakerBot Replicator, Thing-O-Matic, CupCake CNC, RepRap machine
- ▶ Slic3r
  - ▶ Created in 2011 by Alessandro Ranellucci
  - ▶ First widely adopted Slicer for RepRaps
  - ▶ Compatible with all open source 3D printers – exports as “gcode”
- ▶ Cura
  - ▶ Created in 2011 by Ultimaker in the Netherlands
  - ▶ Optimized for Ultimaker printers and others using Bowden tubes
  - ▶ Incorporated in Astroprint

# What is a slicer?



- Converts a digital 3D model into printing instructions for the 3D printer.
- Cuts the model into horizontal slices (layers)
- Sets temperatures for head and bed and speeds for extrusion
- Generates toolpaths to fill layers and calculates the amount of material to be extruded.

# Slicers - example



The screenshot displays the Astroprint web interface. On the left, a 3D model of a red catapult is shown on a grid, with several circular slices representing the object's cross-sections. On the right, a control panel titled "Catapult Thing 32541.stl" allows users to configure printing parameters. The panel includes three main sections: "1. Choose Your Printer" with a dropdown menu set to "AXIOM" and a "+ add printer" link; "2. Choose Your Material" with a dropdown menu set to "ABS1" and a "+ add material" link; and "3. Choose Your Print Quality" with radio buttons for "Draft", "Normal" (selected), and "Best". At the bottom of the panel are "Slice" and "Print" buttons, and a link for "Advanced Slicer Settings". The top of the browser window shows the Astroprint logo and the user's email address, erick@airwolf3d.com.

**Catapult Thing 32541.stl**

**1. Choose Your Printer**

AXIOM

[+ add printer](#)

**2. Choose Your Material**

ABS1

[+ add material](#)

**3. Choose Your Print Quality**

Draft  Normal  Best

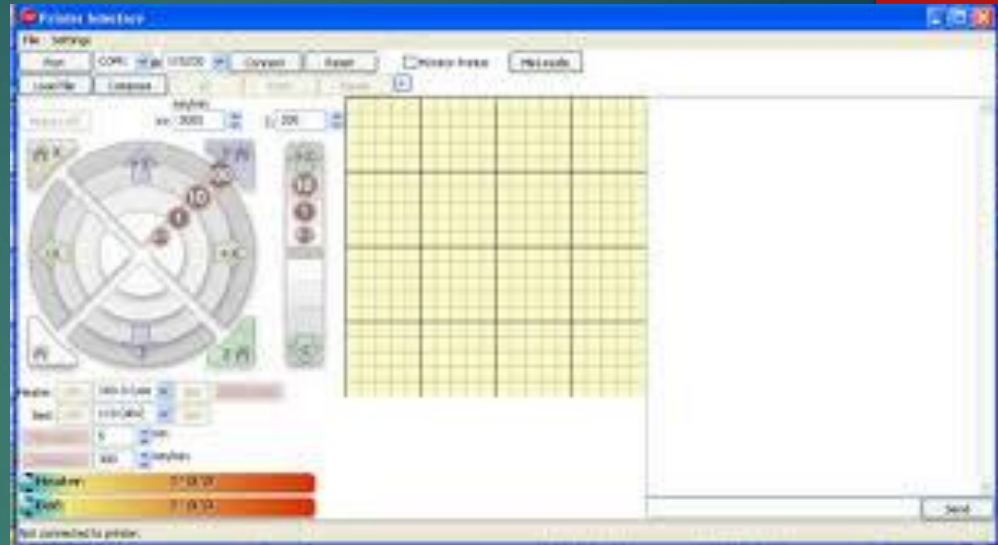
Slice

Print

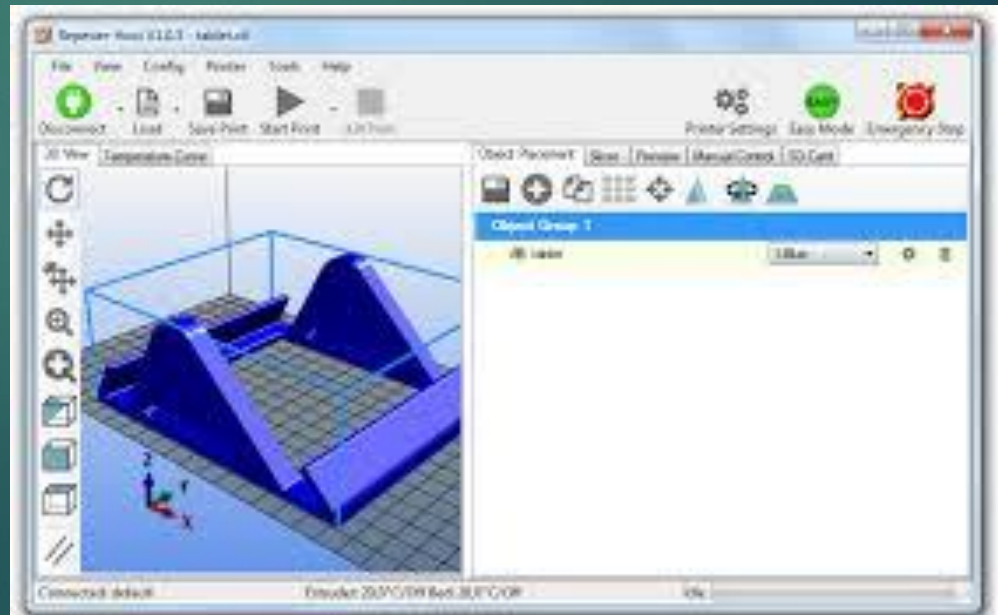
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# Open source Printer Control – Piece 2

▶ Pronterface - 2011



▶ Repetier Host - 2011



# Gcode



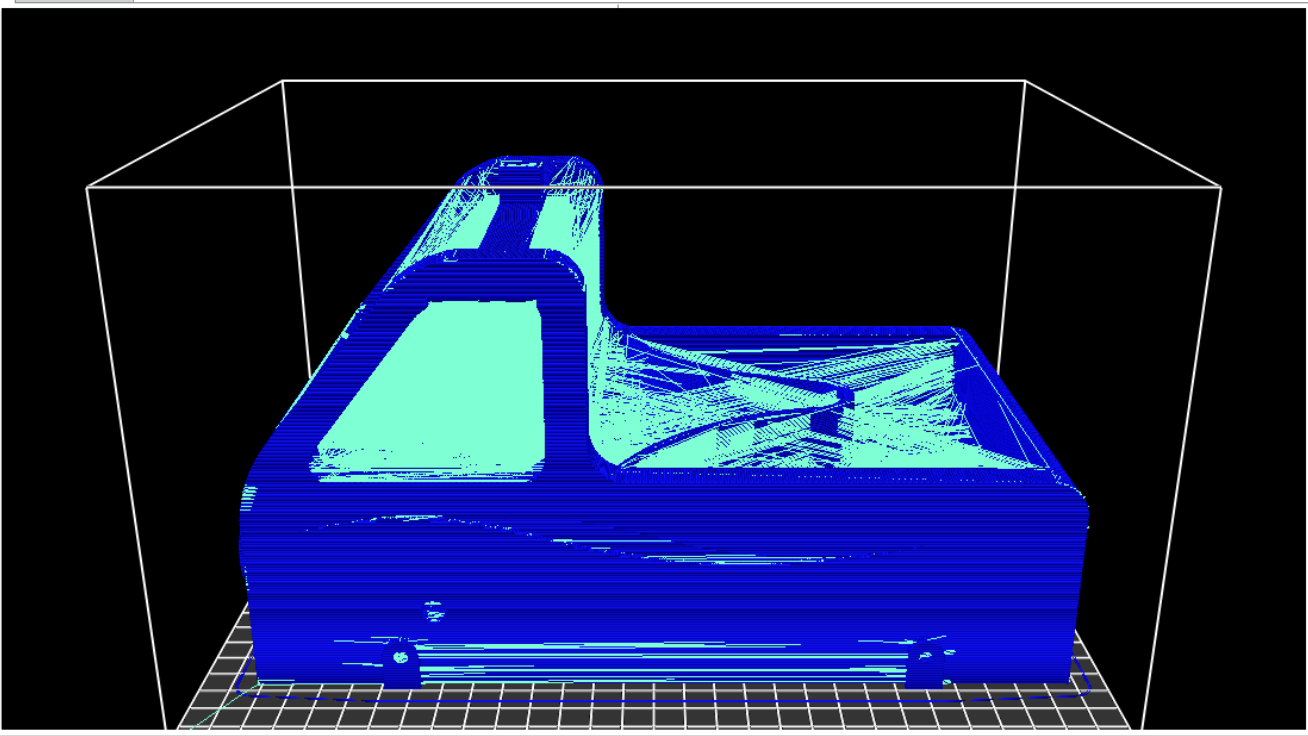
Repetier-Host V0.85 - Catapult XL9.7 Catapult .3mm layer height .2 fill .5mm nozzle.gcode

File Config Temperature Printer Help

Connect Load Save Job Run Job Kill Job SD Card Toggle Log Show Filament Show Travel

Printer Settings Emergency Stop

3D View Temperature Curve



Object Placement Slicer G-Code Editor Manual Control

G-Code

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28889 G1 X181.075 Y89.666 E33.17052
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28906 G1 X233.410 Y33.626 E42.86958
28907 G1 X233.410 Y30.579 E42.96404
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28910 G1 X235.128 Y43.389 E43.54653
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Visualization Help

Show complete Code  Show Single Layer  Show Layer Range

First Layer: 0

Last Layer: 0 528

R1 C1 Insert Layer0 Extruder 0 Printing Time:9h:21m:31s

Show in Log:  Commands  Infos  Warnings  Errors  ACK  Auto Scroll  Clear Log  Copy

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21:43:01.163 Using fast VBOs for rendering is possible
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# Open source Firmware – piece 3

## Makerbot

Replicator and prior firmware – open source until Gen5 (2014)

## Marlin

Developed in 2012

Derived from Sprinter (2011)

Powers most modern reprop and compatible machines

## Smoothieware

32 bit, machines move “smooth”

Smaller number of developers

Needs further revisions to compete with features of Marlin

# Additive Manufacturing

- Each layer of plastic is deposited on top of the previous layer
- The warm plastic bonds to the prior layer
- With each layer, an object slowly materializes



# PUTTING IT IN PERSPECTIVE

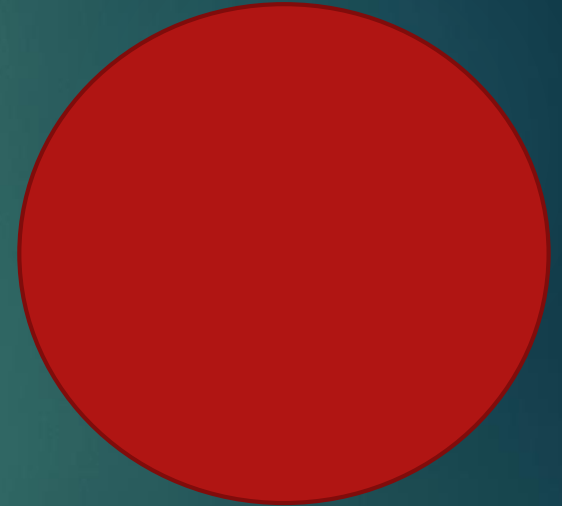
Still a very small industry



3D Systems Revenue = \$.66B

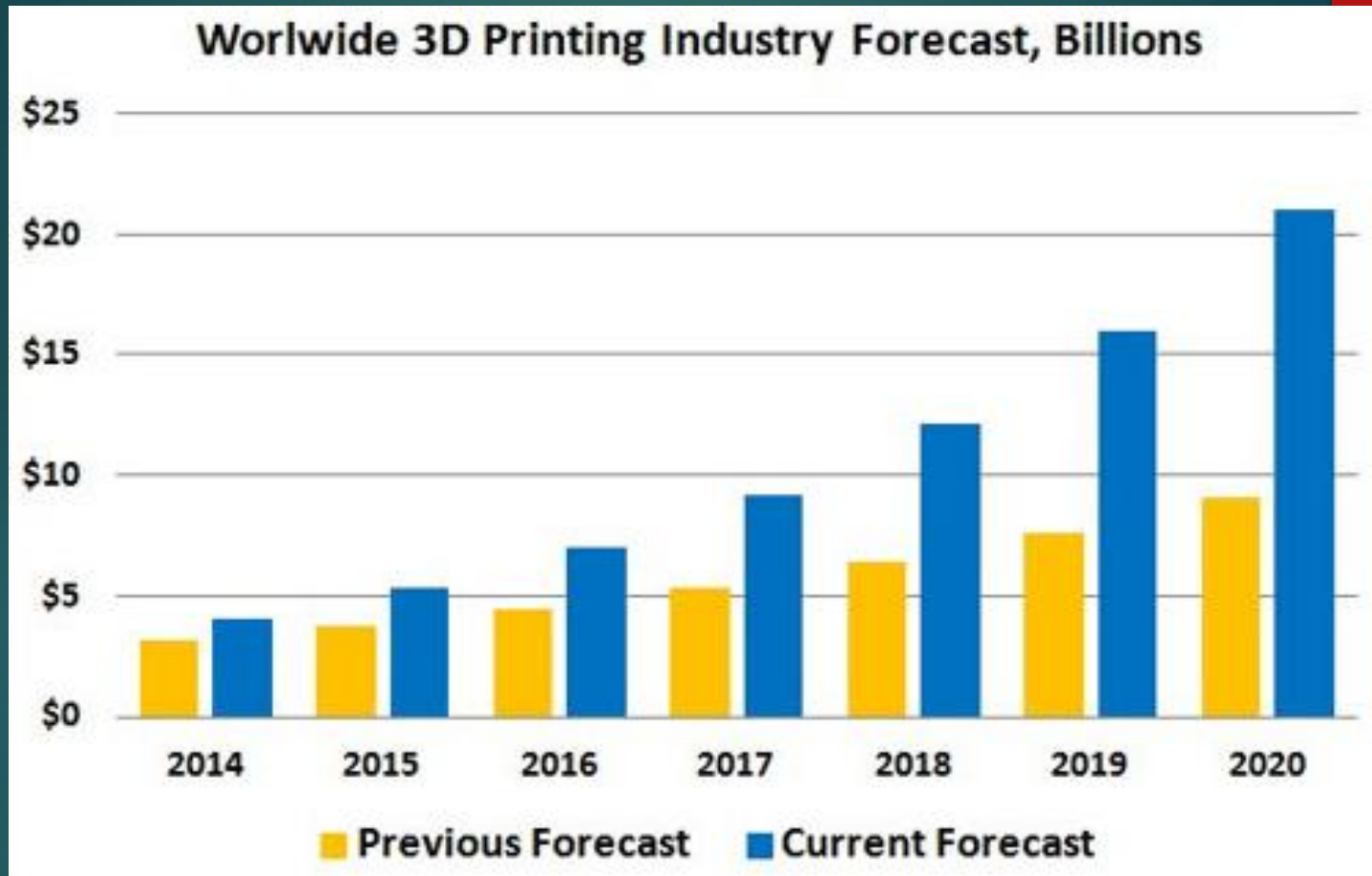


Strataysys Revenue = \$.70B



HP Revenue (combined)  
= \$127B

# FASTER THAN THE EXPERTS PREDICTED

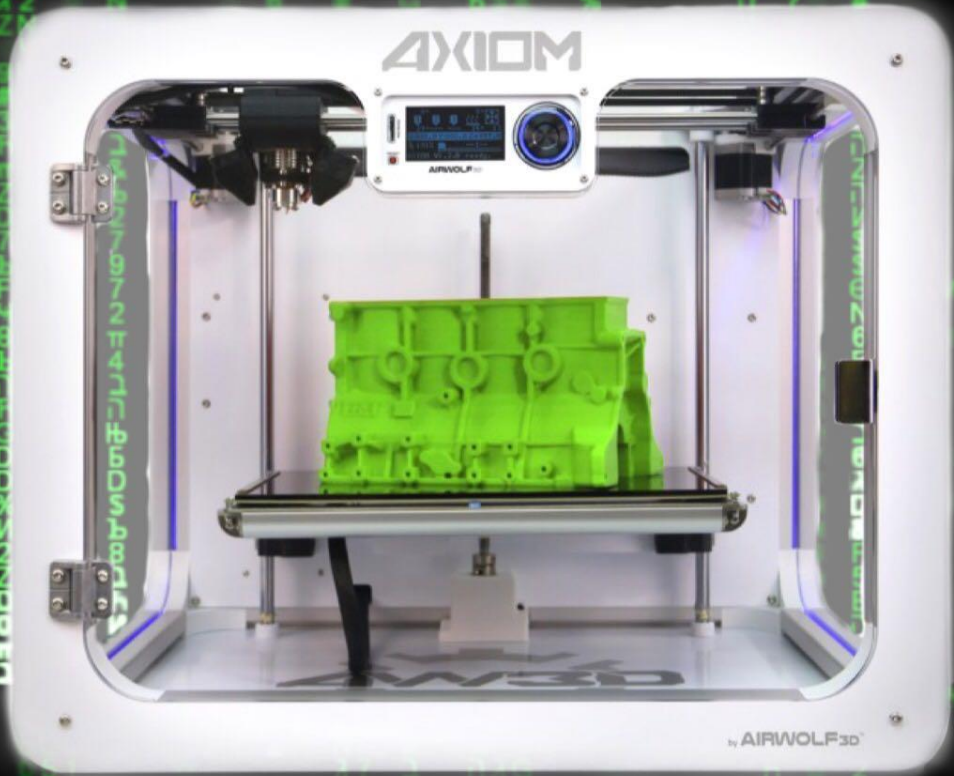


According to Wohlers Report 2014, the worldwide 3D printing industry is now expected to grow from \$3.07B in revenue in 2013 to \$12.8B by 2018, and exceed \$21B in worldwide revenue by 2020. Wohlers Report 2013 had forecast the industry would grow to become a \$10.8B industry by 2021.

# Which Companies Use 3D Printers?



A Sampling of Airwolf 3D Customers



Where to now?



AIRWOLF3D

Questions?

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