

Producing Customer-Ready Parts:

Navigating the Leap from Prototyping to Production

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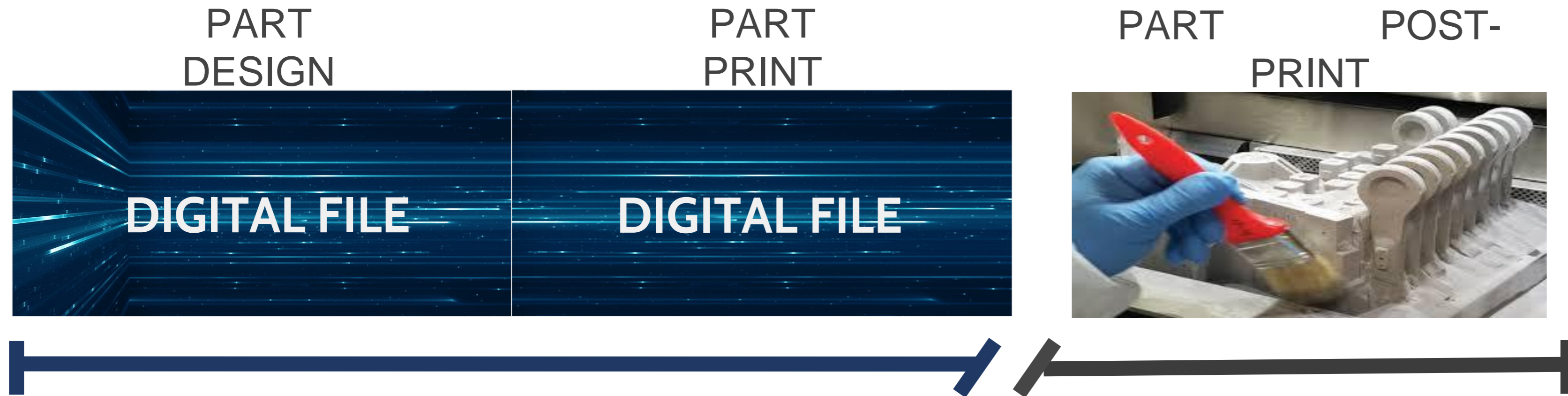


Today's Agenda

- Today's Additive Manufacturing Workflow
- The Leap from Prototyping to Production: Driving Cost & Efficiency Improvements
- Additive's Future: The Digital Thread
- Real life Example: Production Cell

Today's Additive Workflow

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Post-printing is often an afterthought; design optimization is usually focused on printing.

A Major Opportunity For Improvement Awaits



Service providers attribute **26%** of part cost to post-printing*

*SOURCE: 2021 Wohlers Report, Averaged

Today's Workflow Scale-up Problem

Manual Labor And Traditional Manufacturing Systems Are In Use.

MANUAL LABOR:
PICKS, SANDING

TRADITIONAL MFG:
SPRAYS, TUMBLERS



This Approach
Cannot Scale
To Maximize
Your 3D Printing
Investment

TIME CONSUMING

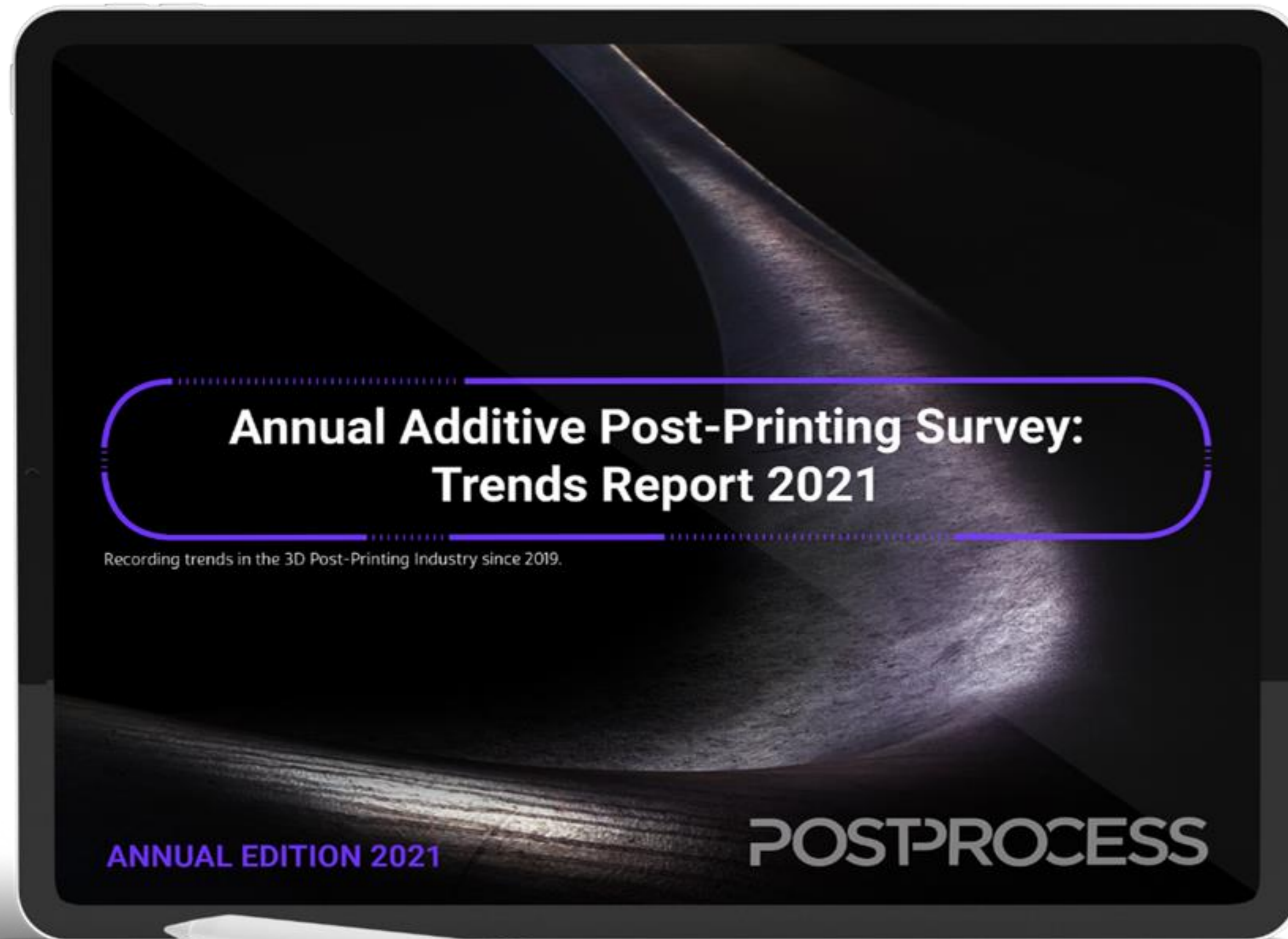
INCONSISTENT RESULTS

HIGH BREAKAGE RATES

EXPENSIVE

HSE ISSUES

The 3rd Annual AM Industry Post-Printing Survey

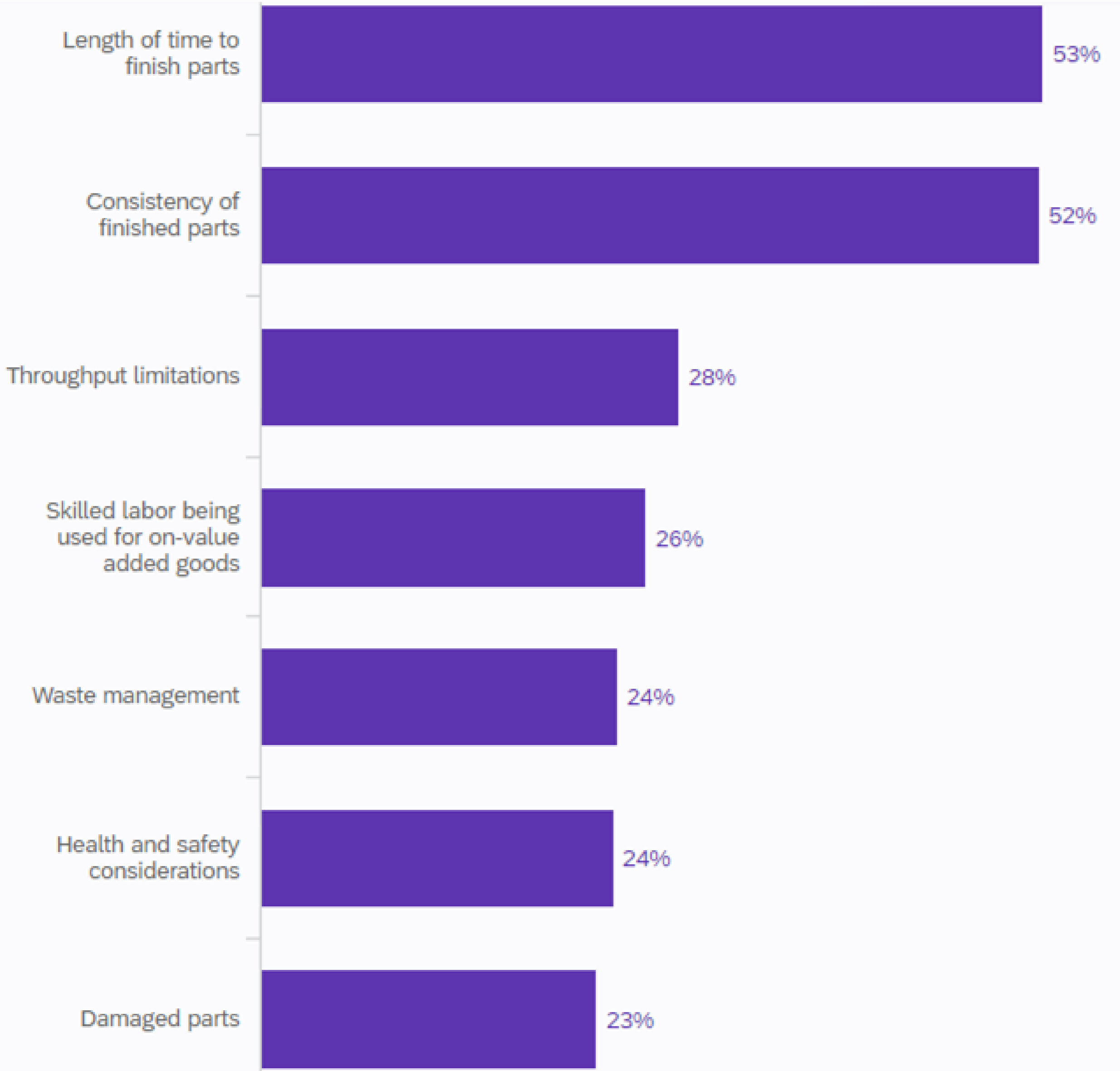


Survey results are currently being tabulated and will be released via a report and webinar on Thursday November 4th.

The following slides contain a preview of key points of the data analysis.

Inhibitors To Workflow Maximization

Annual Additive Post-Printing Trends Survey 2021



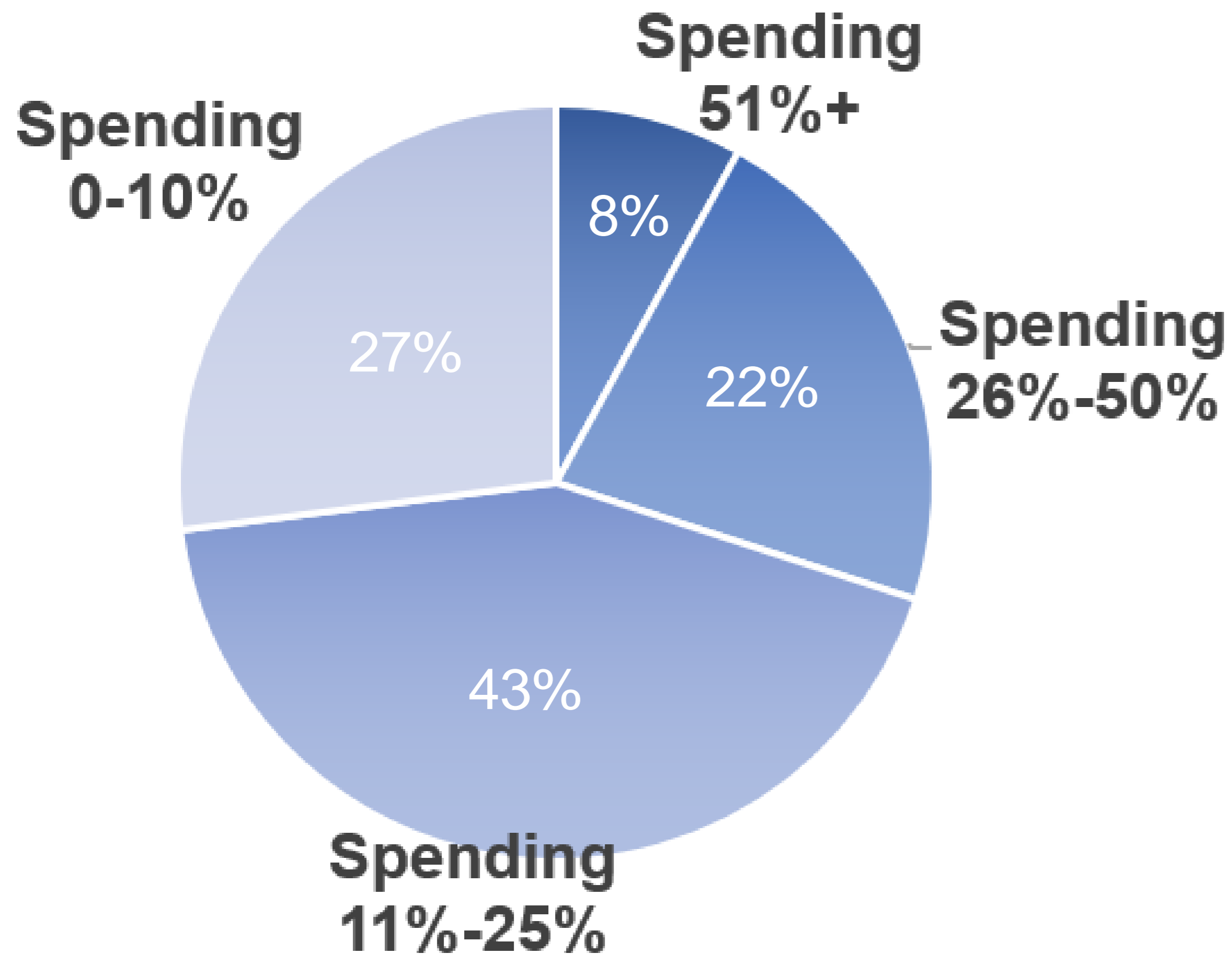
Download the full report at postprocess.com/trends-report

***Participants were able to pick multiple choices.*

What does post-printing really cost?

Annual Additive Post-Printing Trends Survey 2021

What percentage of your additive operation expenditure is allocated to post-printing?



- Close to 20% of respondents don't know what they spend
- Respondents indicated this year a higher amount of their spend is on post-printing vs. last year.
- Directed Energy Deposition (DED) users are spending the most on post-printing as a percent of their overall AM budget vs. any other print technology. Material Extrusion (FDM) are spending the least.

The Leap from Prototyping to Production: Driving Cost, Safety & Efficiency Improvements

Historic Challenges When Making the "Leap"

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Printer Speeds



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Material Costs & Properties



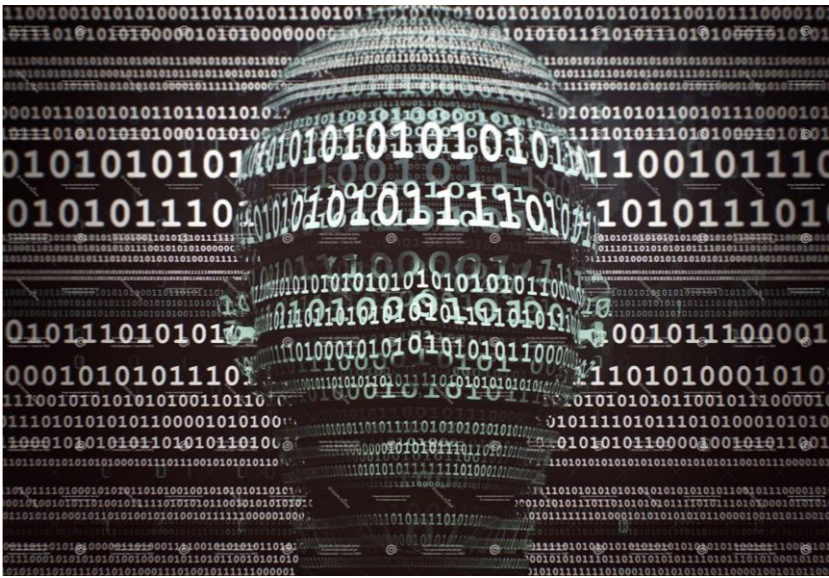
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Post-printing Bottleneck



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End-to-End Connectivity



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C-Level Support



5 Often Overlooked Production Post-Printing Costs

1. Health, safety and environmental impact
2. Reprints due to lack of post-print planning
3. Floor space, storage and material handling
4. Resources to train & maintain multiple processes & platforms
5. Opportunity cost of using manual labor




CASE STUDY



“ Our PostProcess software-based platform reduces labor time by 50%... freeing up 20 valuable labor hours per week. ”

- A typical day of support removal for 90 PolyJet parts would require about 8 hours of manual labor plus 4 hours of soaking
- In one week, that's 40 hours of labor required to finish parts one by one

Without Automation

 **90** parts per day

 **40** hours manual labor per week

 **12** hour per part total cycle time

With Automation

 **90** parts per day

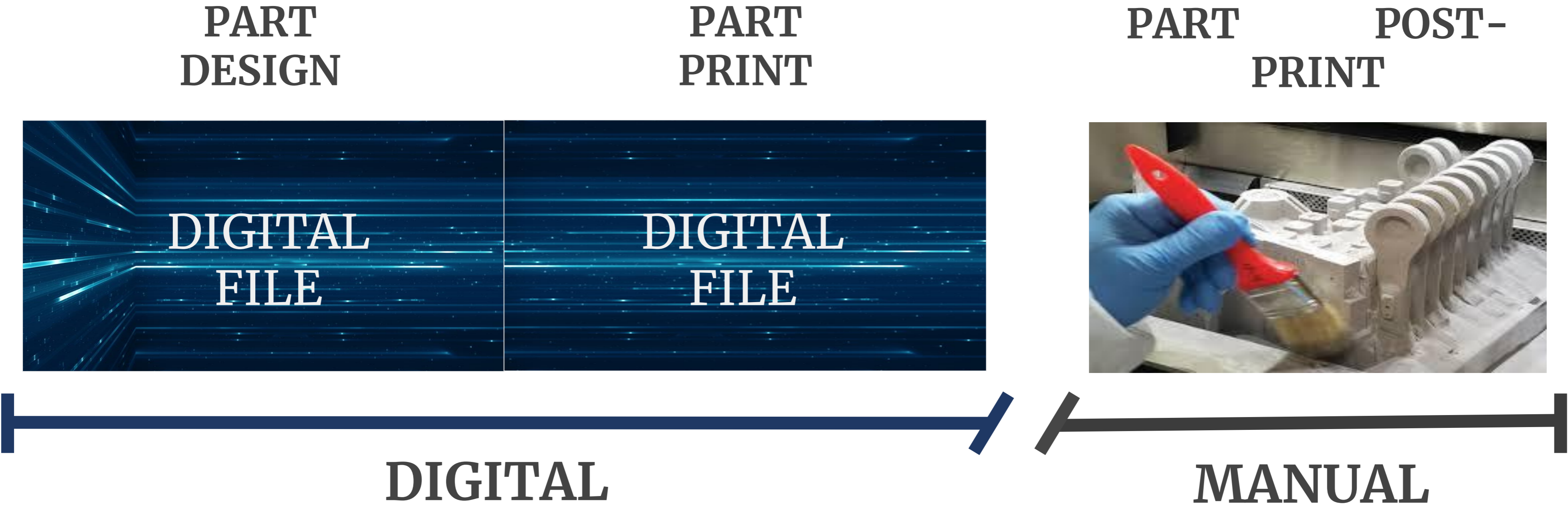
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 20 hours of labor per week can be redirected to value-added activities

ADDITIVE'S FUTURE: THE DIGITAL THREAD

Production Problem For Industry 4.0



Breaking The Digital Thread Limits Or Prevents

- Scalability
- Traceability
- Digital Inventory
- Sustainability

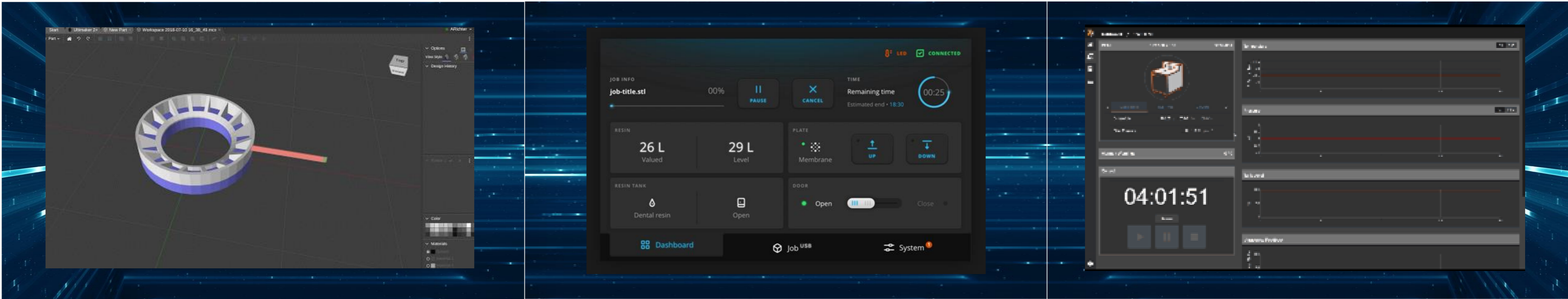
Production Solution For Industry 4.0

Connecting Data Across Smart Systems Will Be Transformative For Additive Manufacturing

**PART
DESIGN**

**PART
PRINT**

**PART
POST-PRINT**



End-to-End Automation

Closed-Loop Intelligence

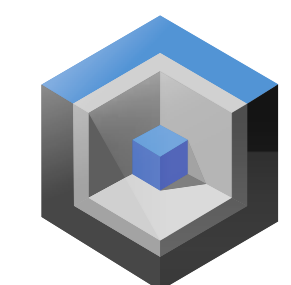
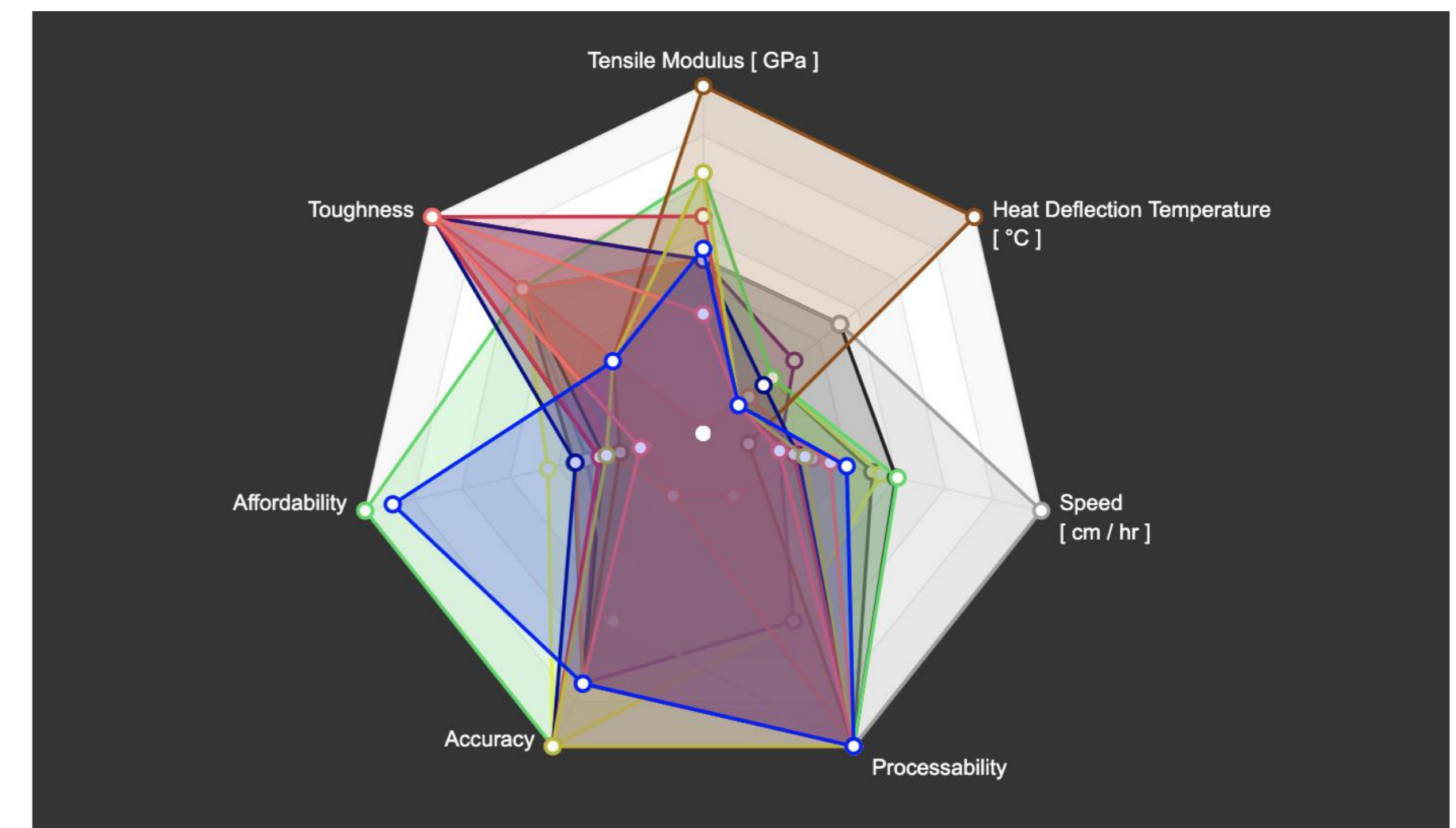
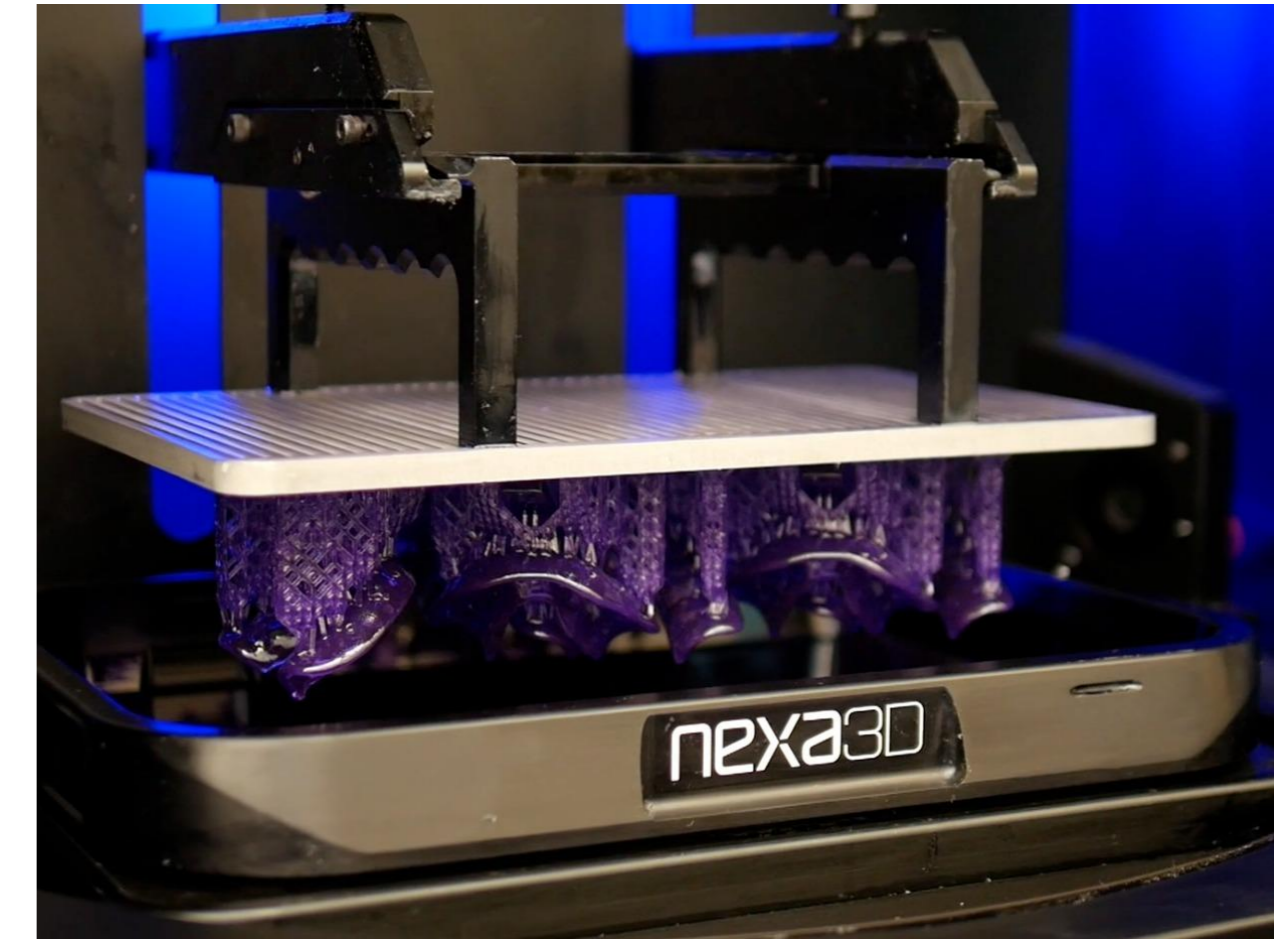
ADDITIVE AUTOMATION APPLICATION: PRODUCTION TO GO

Additive Automation

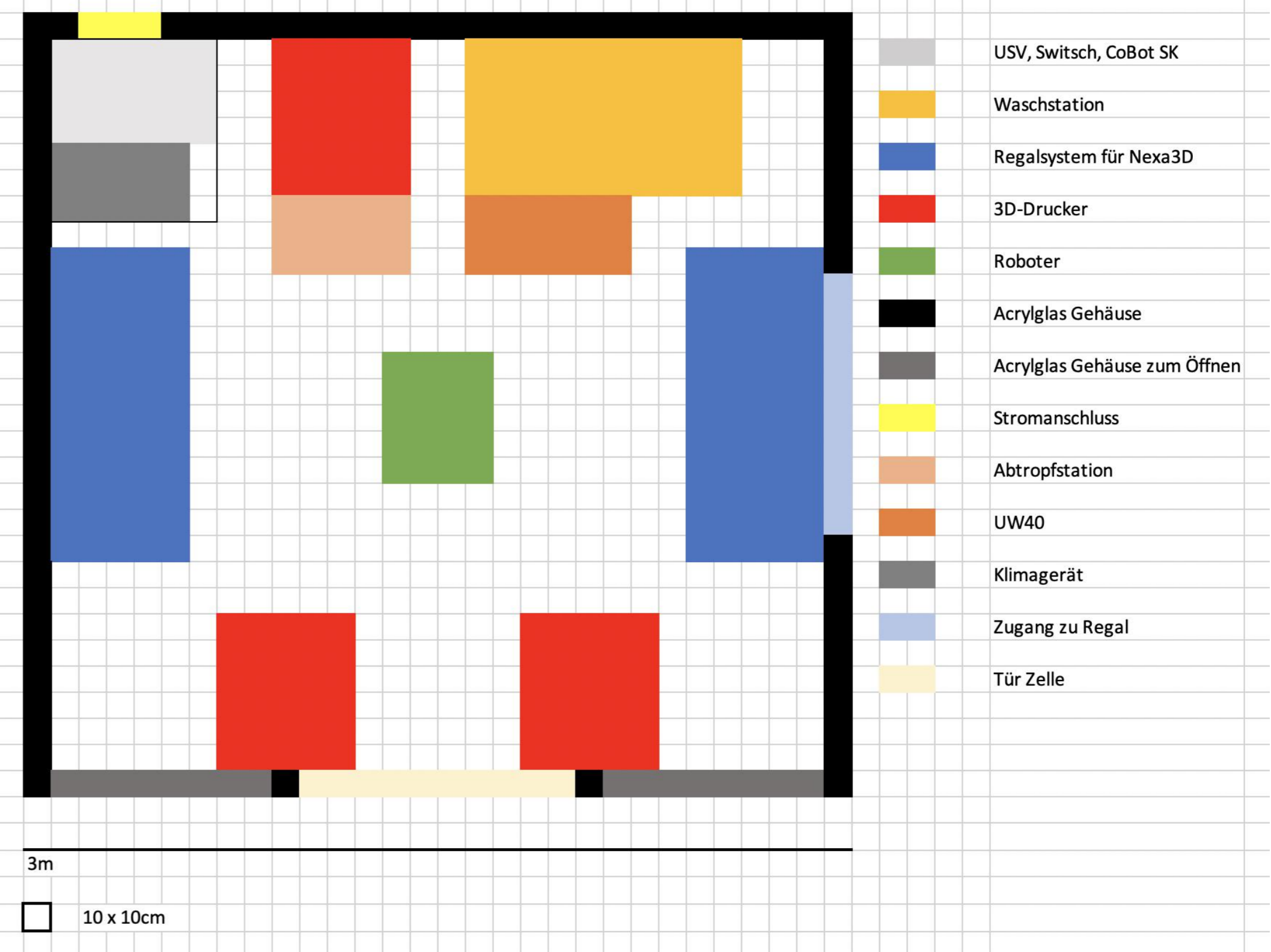


When to automate?

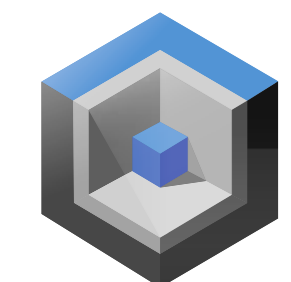
- High Number of Parts
- Complex Parts
- Small Parts
- Parts with Little Support
- Different Variants / Custom Parts
- Health & Safety Requirements
- Automatic Serialnumbering
- Parts from Different Buildmaterials



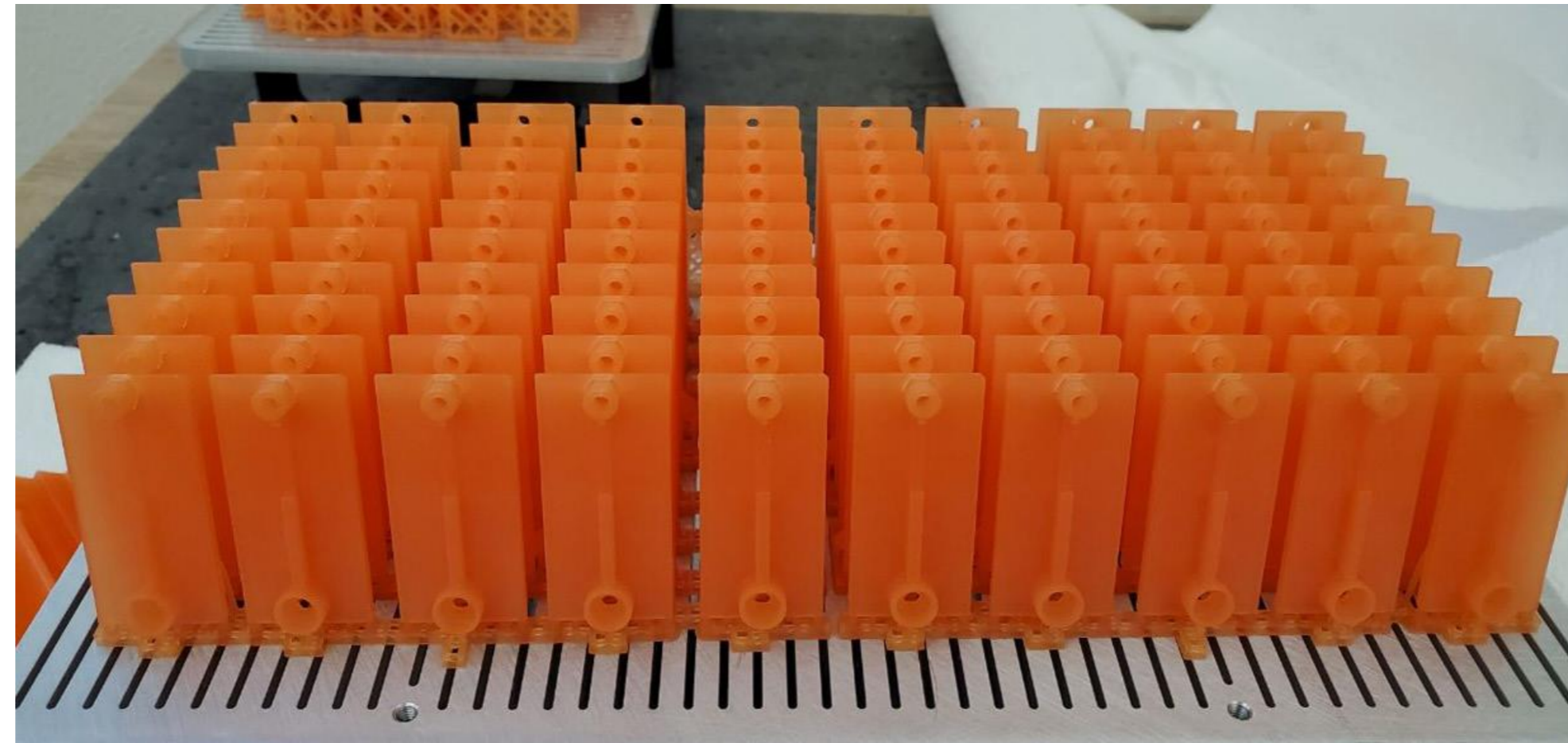
Production Cell



- Automation as a Service
- Flexible Layout
- Individual Configuration
- Any 3D-Printer
- Customizable
- Safe and Repeatable
- More Parts with Less Effort

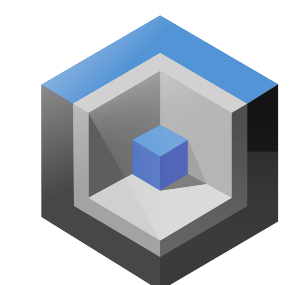


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100 Parts in 22 Minutes

- Theoretical number of parts per year: 1.200.000
- Printjobs per year: 12.000
- Demi400 Cleaning Cycles per year: 24.000 at 2 x cleaning



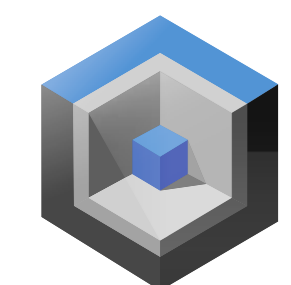
Production to go

Example Application Dental



10 Parts in 12 Minutes

- Theoretical number of parts per year: 192.000
- Printjobs per year: 19.200
- Demi400 Cleaning Cycles per year: 19.200



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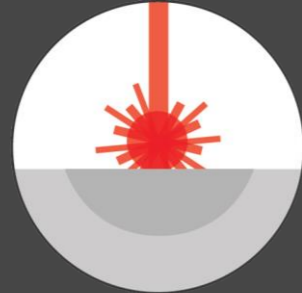
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FDM



POLYJET



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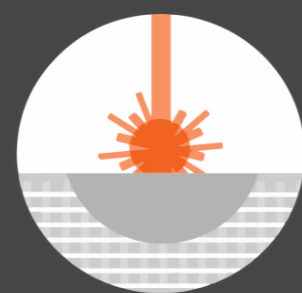
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