

Residual Stresses in Panels Manufactured Using EBF3 Process

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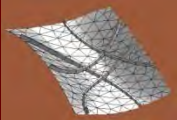
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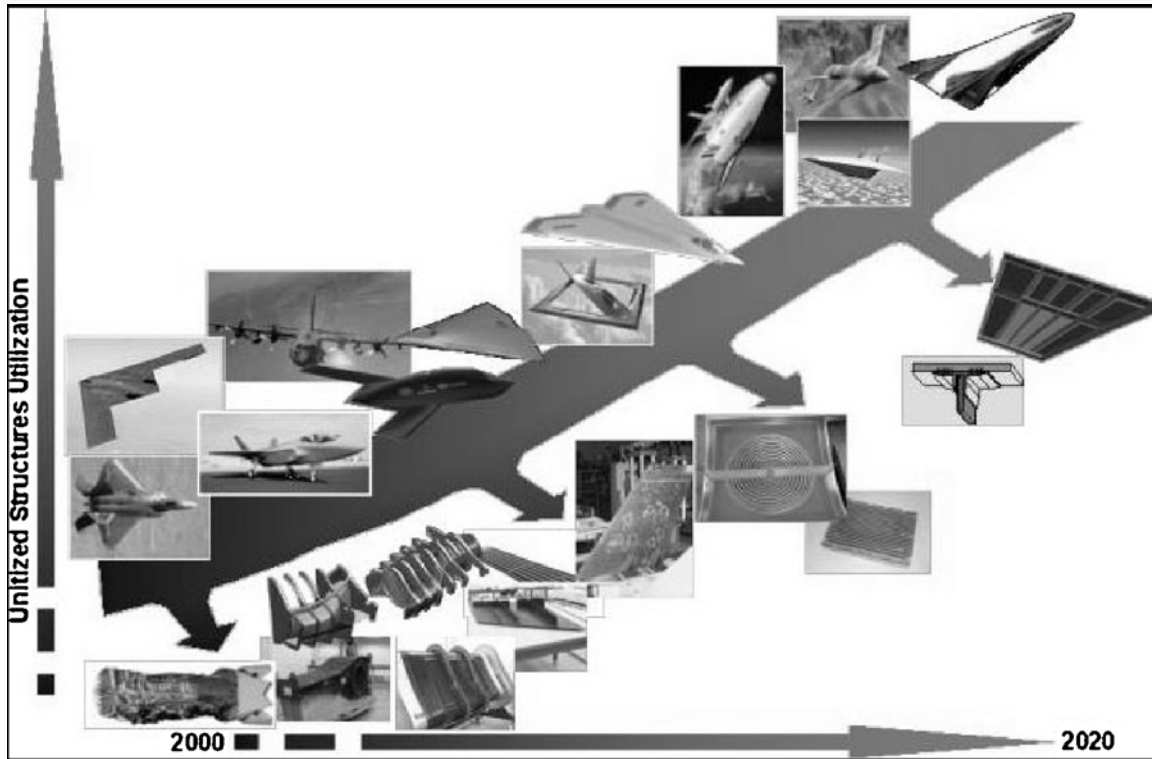
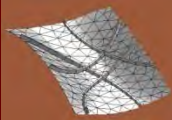
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 - Boundary Conditions
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Renton et al. 2004

➤ **Design Impact on Aeronautics and Space Exploration**

- Improve Buckling Performance
- Modal Control
- Sound Power Reduction and Higher Transmission Loss

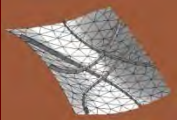
➤ **Impact on NASA Goals**

- Reduce Fuel Burn Rate
- Reduce Field Length
- Reduce NOX
- Reduce Cabin Noise

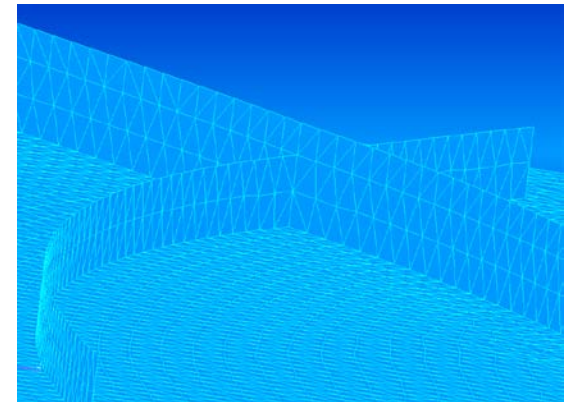
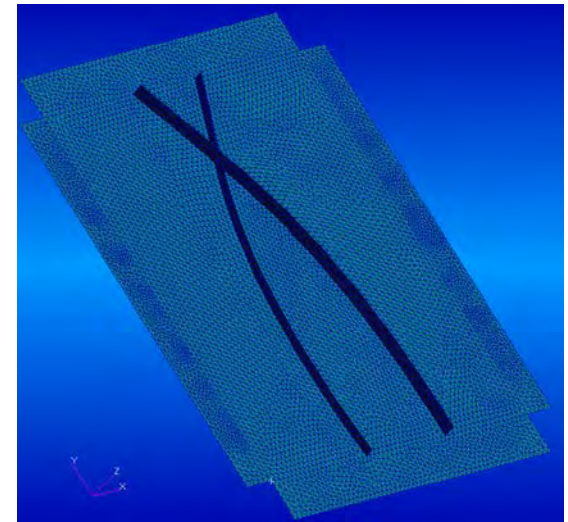
➤ **Industrial Benefits of Unitized Structures**

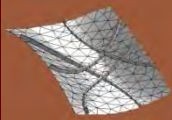
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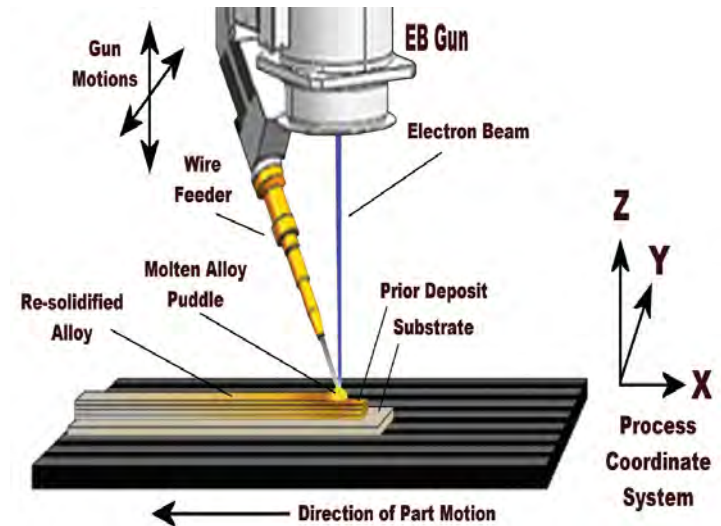


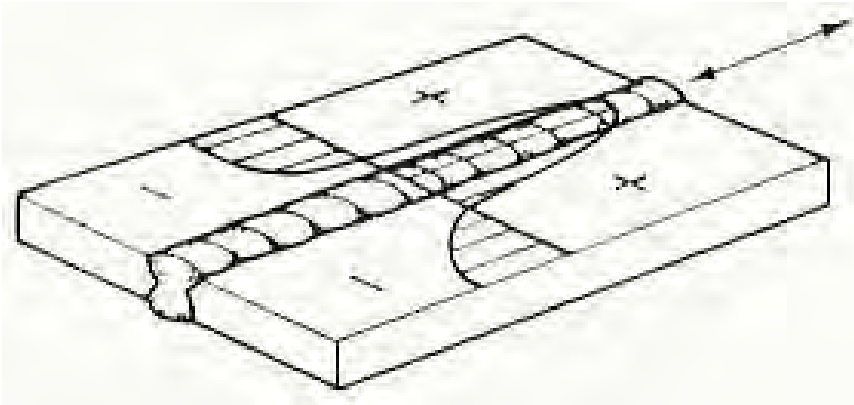
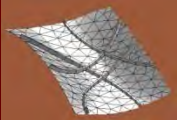
- Electron Beam Free Form Fabrication (EBF3) allow to easily manufacture complex shape structural parts.
- In aerospace designs, EBF3 can be used to fabricate panels with curvilinear stiffeners.
- Stiffeners with curvature, variable thickness and variable section shape can be manufactured using this technology.
- Multiobjective optimization can be achieved for mass reduction, buckling factor, vibration modes, acoustic sound-power and damage tolerance constraints.
- Lighter, stiffer and safer structures can be designed and fabricated.





- A focused electron beam creates a molten pool on the metallic substrate.
- A metal wire is continuously fed into the molten pool in layer-addictive fashion, while the beam is translated.
- The electron beam can be controlled and deflected very precisely.
- EBF3 can be used in low gravity environment.
- Deposition is in vaccum.





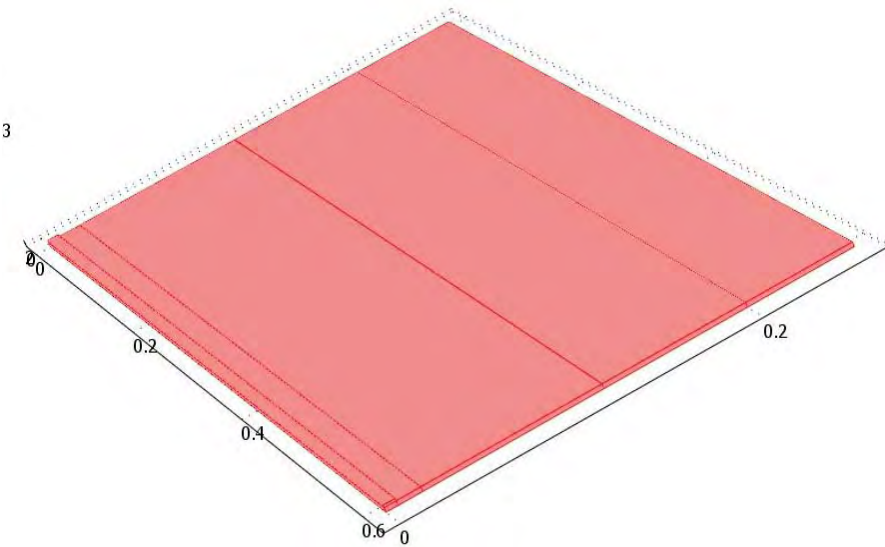
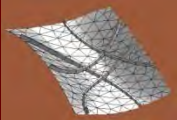
Theoretical longitudinal residual stresses in welded stiffened plates.

➤ Residual Stresses

- ❑ Stresses which remain when all External Loads are null : Residual Stress.
- ❑ Stresses due to the Moving Heat Source.
- ❑ The differences of Temperature cause a Contraction of the Metal and constrain the panel.
- ❑ Residual stresses can compromise the Integrity of a Structure.
- ❑ COMSOL model to analyze the residual stresses of the first layer of deposition on a panel in Aluminum 2219.

➤ Objective of the analysis

- ❑ Estimate the residual stresses resulting from the melting of the metallic substrate and the deposition of the new layer of material in the molten pool.
- ❑ Estimate eventual permanent deformations occurring in the plate and their dependence from the boundary conditions.
- ❑ Investigate the dependence of the maximum residual stress value from the deposition rate and the coefficient of convection value.

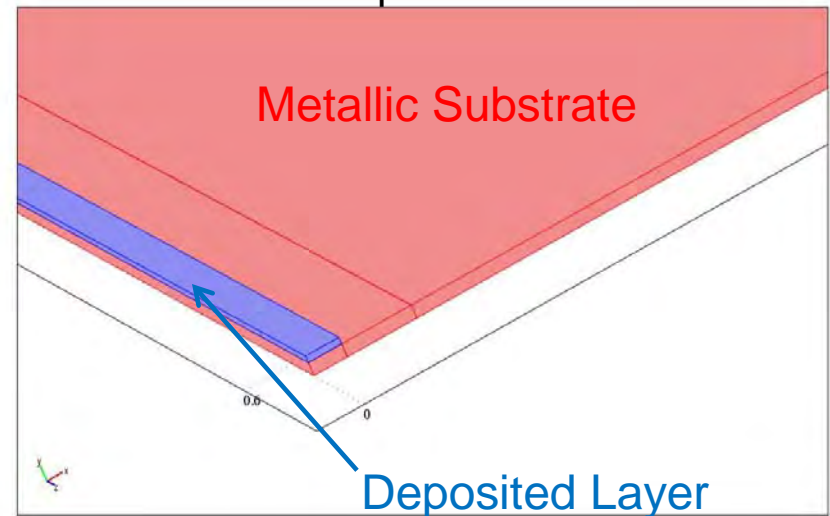


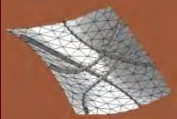
Panel Dimensions:
 610x510x2.54 mm

Layer Dimensions:
 610x13x1.27 mm

➤ Residual Stresses

- ❑ Aluminum 2219 panel with a straight stiffener in the middle.
- ❑ COMSOL: Coupling of Heat Transfer and Structural analyses using Elastic-Plastic Stress-Strain behavior.
- ❑ Use of a Moving Heat Source to simulate the deposition
- ❑ No convection since EBF3 process occurs in vacuum chamber. A steel table is modeled as heat sink at the bottom of the plate.





Conduction Equation

$$\rho C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (-k \nabla T) = Q$$

Convection Boundary Condition

$$-\vec{n} \cdot \vec{q} = q_0 + h(T - T_0)$$

Elastic-Plastic Stress-Strain relationship

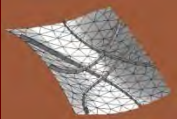
$$\sigma = D \varepsilon_{el} + \sigma_0 = D (\varepsilon - \varepsilon_p - \varepsilon_{th} - \varepsilon_0) + \sigma_0$$

$$\varepsilon_{th} = \alpha (T - T_{ref})$$

Goldak Semi Ellipsoidal moving heat source

$$Q(x, y, z, t \leq t_{dep}) = \frac{6\sqrt{3}q_0}{abc\pi\sqrt{\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{3x^2}{a^2} - \frac{3y^2}{b^2} - \frac{3(z-vt)^2}{c^2}\right)$$

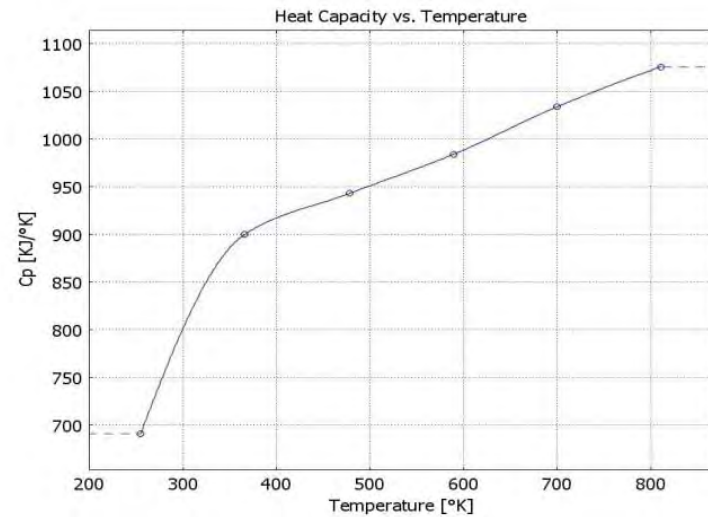
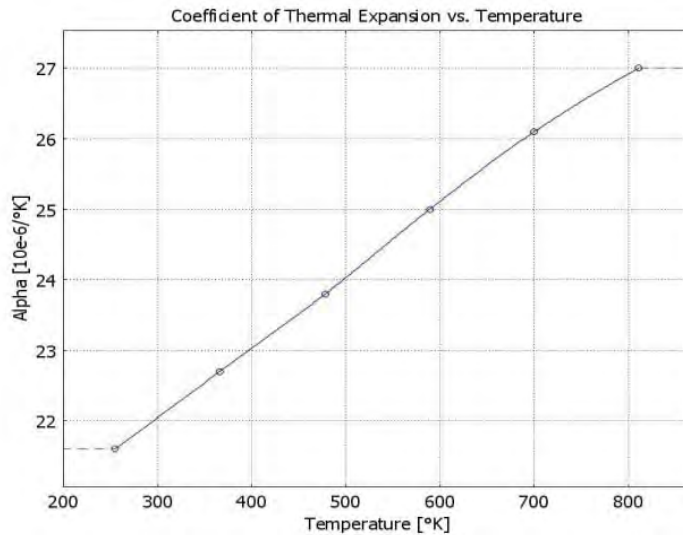
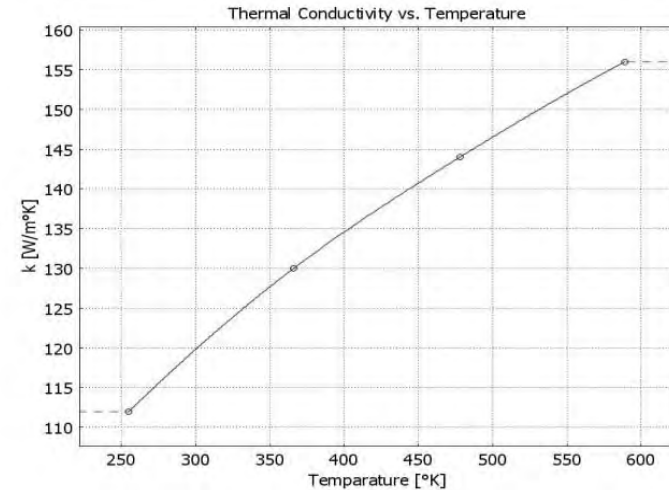
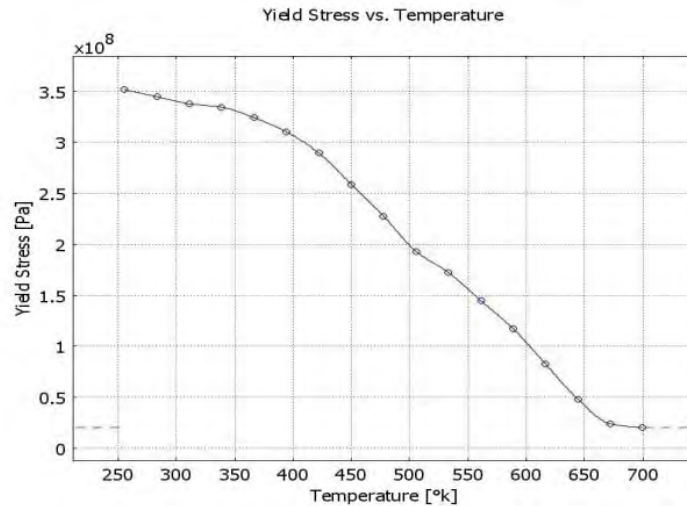
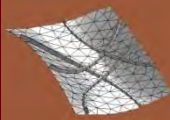
$$Q(x, y, z, t \geq t_{dep}) = 0$$



Aluminum 2219:

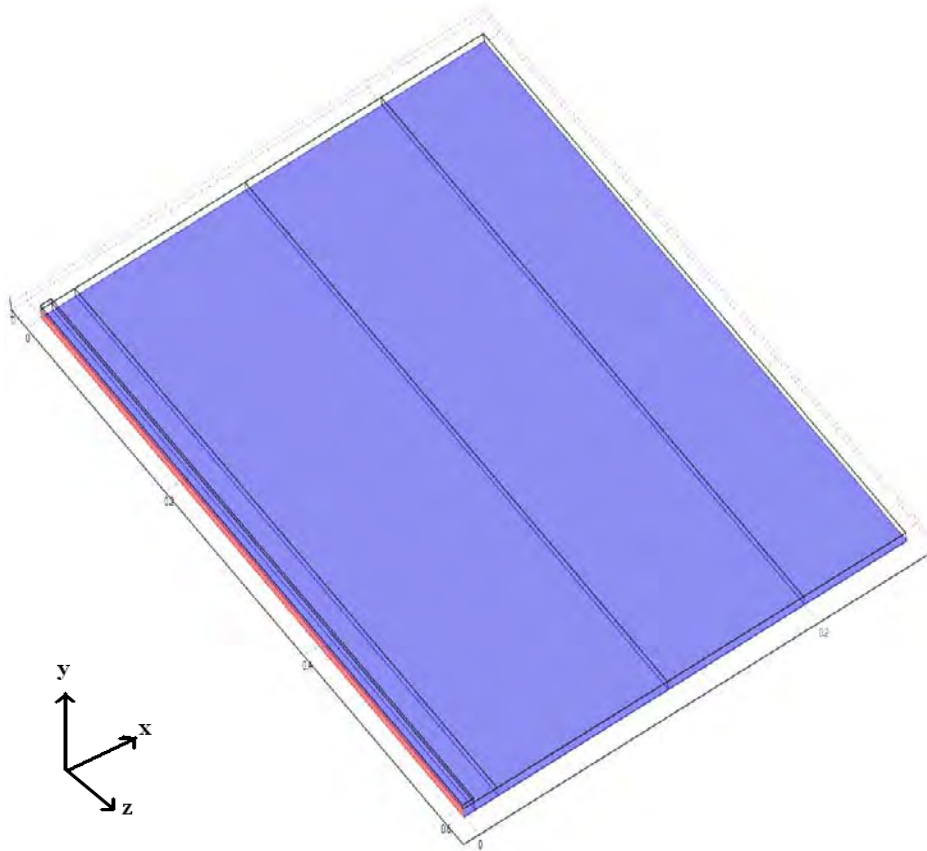
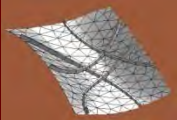
Relevant physical properties at room temperature

Density	ρ	2831 kg.m ⁻³
Young Modulus	E	72.4 GPa
Poisson's Ratio	ν	0.33
Melting Temperature	T_f	816-917 °K
Convection Coefficient	h	500 W.m ⁻² .°K ⁻¹
Reference Temperature	T_{ref}	293.15 °K
Yield Stress	σ_{yield}	375 MPa

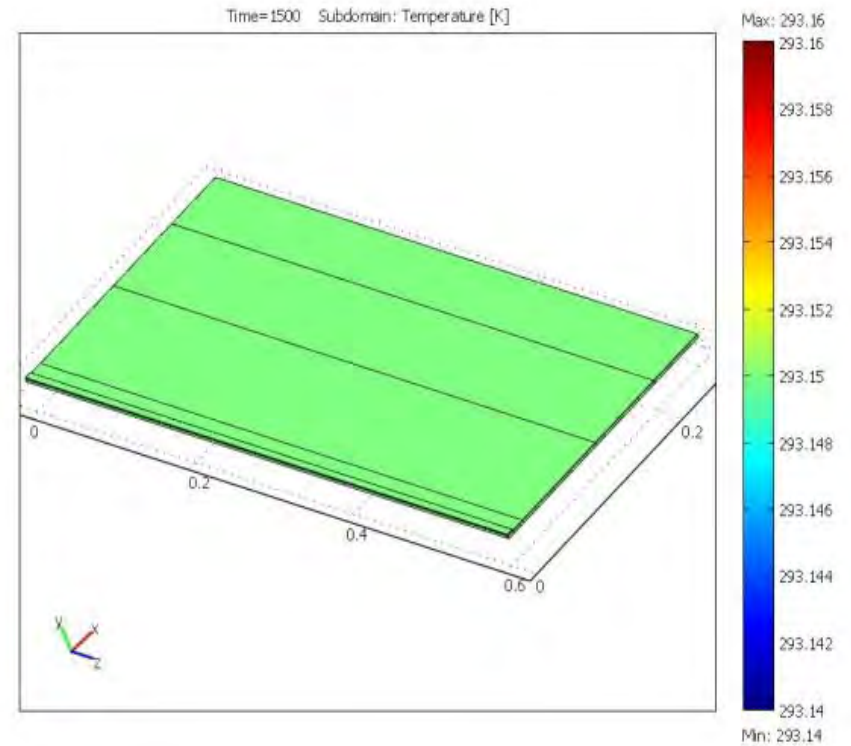
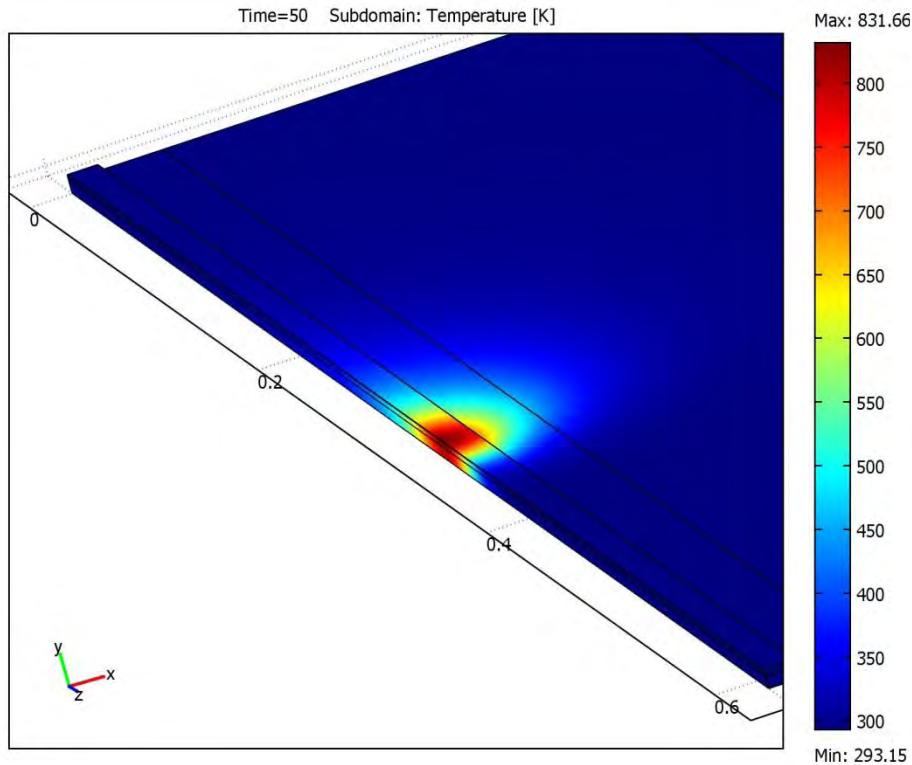
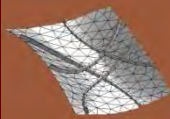


Data point are taken from Ref. 4 and than interpolated using the picewise cubic method embedded in COMSOL Multiphysics.

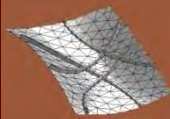




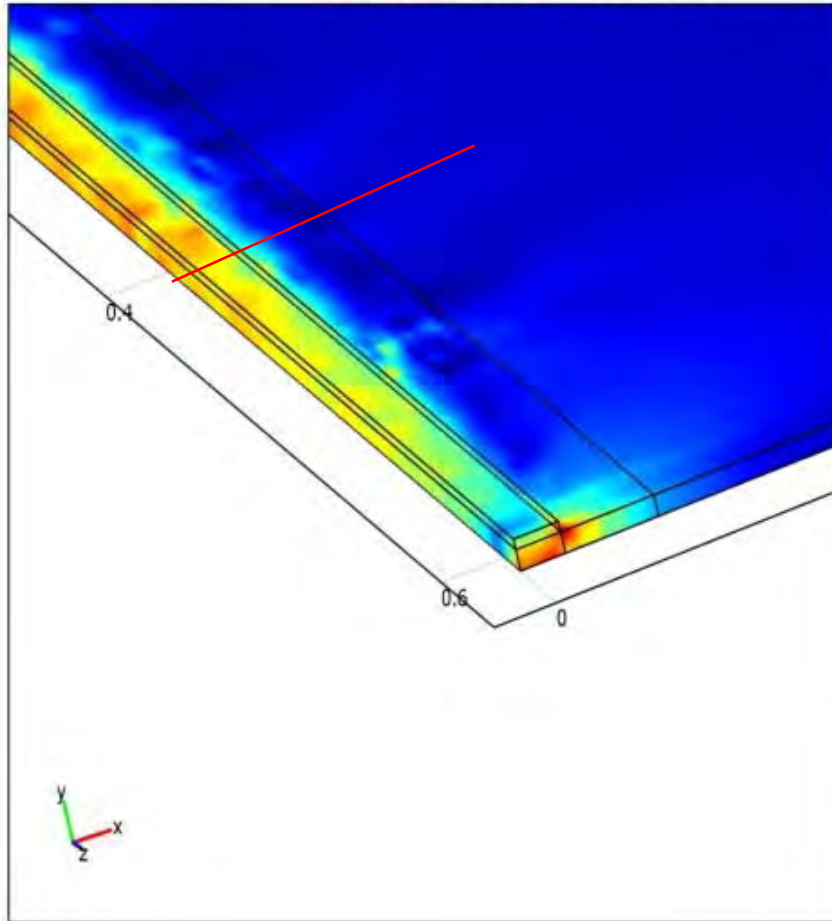
- Two kind of BC
- Heat transfer: vacuum chamber (convection on the bottom to simulate the conduction with the steel table
- Elastic-Plastic Stress-strain:
- Avoid the Rigid Body motion



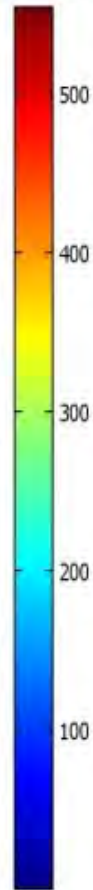
Results for the speed of 6.7 mm/s



Time=1500 Subdomain: von Mises stress Gauss point eval. [MPa]

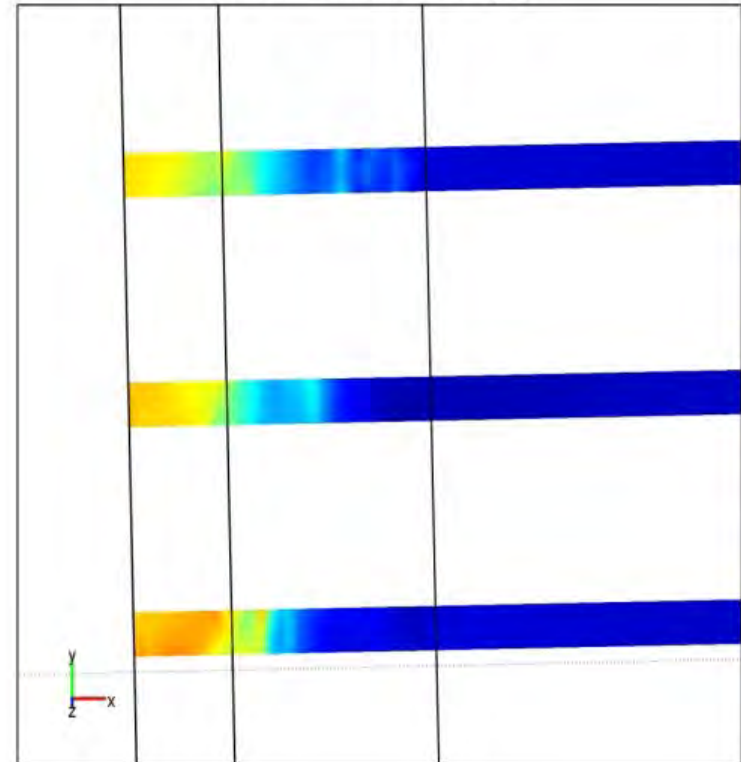


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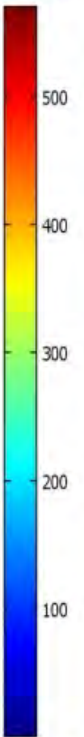


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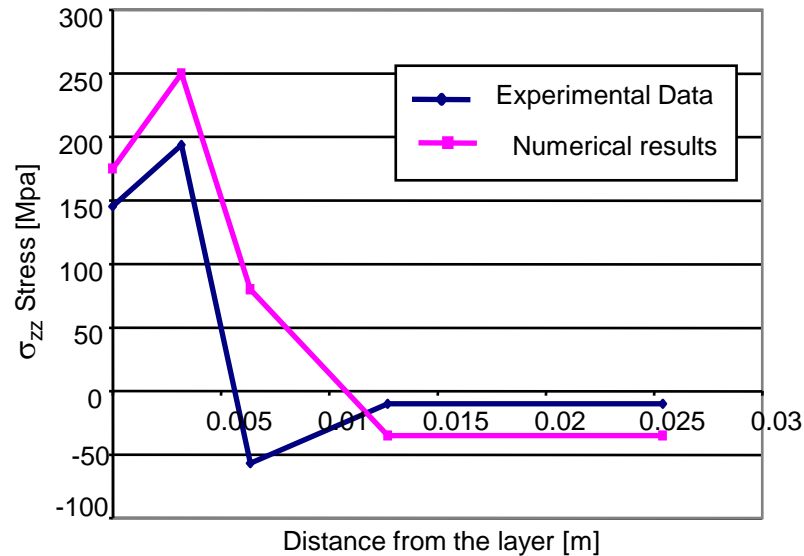
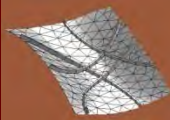
Time=1500 Slice: von Mises stress [MPa]



Max: 570



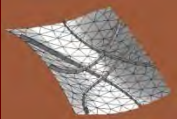
Min: 0.266



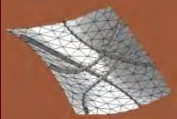
Comparison of Experimental Data (NASA) and Numerical COMSOL Results

Speed in mm/sec	VM max in MPa
6.7	310
10	350
13.4	325

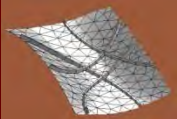
h in W.m ⁻² .s ⁻¹	VM max in MPa
500	360
1000	350
1500	325
2000	305



- Single Layer Deposition Residual Stresses Calculation Successful.
 - Good Agreement with Welding Process Results.
 - Residual Stresses depends on the Speed of Deposition and Convective Coefficient between Steel Table and Bottom of the Plate
 - High Residual Stresses but always under the yield strength of Aluminum 2219
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- Estimation of Convective Coefficient, h for Steel Table
 - Account the Changes in the Microstructure
 - Analyze 10 layers of deposition (a full stiffener)
 - Other Mechanical boundary conditions
 - Optimization of Deposition Speed and Residual Stresses



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