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INTEGRATED ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING OF MULTI-REOUIREMENT PRODUCTS USING MULTIPLE MATERIALS

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Problem Statement

The present patent addresses two main problems:

- Traditional 3D printing struggles to create objects that meet multiple requirements, like making lightweight yet strong components for electric vehicles.
- · The current solution of blending different materials together in 3D printing has limitations because it can mix up their properties and doesn't give precise control.

The present patent proposes a system and method to solve these problems by allowing **3D printing** with multiple materials to create objects that meet various requirements and perform well.

Technology Category/ Market

Categories: Applied Mechanics & Mechanical **Engineering, Electronics & Circuits**

Industry: Manufacturing and Engineering; Cars and Transportation; Aerospace & Space; Medical & Health; Energy & Green Energy; Art & Design; Building & Architecture; Military; Electronics Manufacturing.

Applications: Customization, Material Optimization, Improved Performance, Efficient Manufacturing.

Market: The global additive manufacturing & material market size reached US\$26.8B in 2022. It is set to reach US\$183B by 2032, growing at 21.2% CAGR.

Technology

The present patent invention discloses an Integrated Additive Manufacturing of Multirequirement Products using Multiple Materials. It is a method to fabricate objects with different materials by adding material layer by layer.

Key Features / Value Proposition

* User Perspective:

- Users can customized items tailored to their needs.
- Enhanced & Personalized Performance
- **Sustainability**: Reduces material and energy consumption for eco-friendliness.
- Artistic Freedom: Artists craft intricate designs.
- * Industrial Perspective:
- Advanced Manufacturing
- Cost Efficiency
- Material & Application Versatility
- Intelligent Design & Additive Manufacturing
- Emphasizes specific properties in material selection.

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The method is all about customizing objects to have the exact properties needed, using multiple materials and precise planning. The method disclosed is:

•Users provide Input about what they want the object to do, like its specific qualities or functions.

•Different materials are identified to make the object meet desired qualities.

- •Material Pairing: Two materials are chosen: one for main part of the object & another for a smaller part.
- •Location Planning to find where to put the second material within first material to make it work well.

• First material is deposited in **lavers**, second material is added in planned locations within first material.

•Layer by layer, the two materials are combined to create the final object with desired qualities.

Fig. 1 shows a block diagram of an additive manufacturing system



Figs. 2 shows 3D models of a brake pad required to be developed through additive manufacturing



Intellectual Property

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TRL (Technology Readiness Level)

TRL - 4, Experimentally validated in lab.

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