

# 3D PROTOTYPING



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# OVERVIEW

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Additive Methods

Subtractive Methods

- CNC
- Laser

Additive Versus Subtractive

3D Prototyping Research



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# ADDITIVE METHODS

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Fused deposition modeling (FDM)

Stereolithography (SLA)

Selective laser sintering (SLS) – Direct metal laser sintering (DMLS)

Plaster-based 3D printing (PP)

Thermal Phase Change Inkjets

Laminated object manufacturing (LOM)

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# HOW TO CHOOSE THE MOST APPROPRIATE ADDITIVE METHOD

Technology	Additive Manufacturing Process	Advantages	Disadvantages	Plastic based material	Metal or Brass	Resin	Multicolour
<b>Fused Deposition Modelling</b>	Material Extrusion	Strong Parts Easy to print yourself	Poorer surface finish and slower Requires support structures	Yes			
<b>Selective Laser Sintering</b>	Powder Bed Fusion	No support required High Heat and Chemical Resistant High speed	Precision limited to powder particle size Rough surface finish	Yes			
<b>Direct Metal Laser Sintering</b>	Powder Bed Fusion	High-density components Intricateness	Finishing step is a mandatory		Yes		
<b>Electron Beam Melting</b>	Powder Bed Fusion	Good printing speed Less distortion	Needs finishing Caution required when dealing with X-Ray		Yes		
<b>Stereolithography</b>	Photopolymerisation	Complex Geometries Detailed parts Smooth Finish	Post-finishing required Requires Support structures			Yes	
<b>Digital Light Processing</b>	Photopolymerisation	Concurrent production Complex shapes and sizes High precision	Thickness limitation Limited range of materials			Yes	
<b>Continuous Liquid Interface Production</b>	Photopolymerisation	Concurrent production Complex shapes and sizes High precision	Thickness limitation Large choice of resins simulating different properties			Yes	
<b>Multijet et Polyjet</b>	Material Jetting	Good precision Good surface finish Use of multiple materials and colours No removal of support material	Slow Build Process			Yes	Yes
<b>Binder Jetting</b>	Jetting	Lower Price Enables colour printing High speed	Limited choice of materials Fragile parts				Yes
<b>Selective Deposition Lamination</b>	Sheet Lamination	Lower Price No toxic materials Quick to make large parts	Less accurate Non-Homogenous parts				Yes

From Sculpteo

# SUBTRACTIVE METHODS

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Subtractive manufacturing: 3D objects are constructed by successively cutting material away from a solid block of material.

- CNC
- Laser cutter



# CNC

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CNC machines are electro-mechanical devices that manipulate machine shop tools using computer programming inputs.

CNC: Computer Numerical Control

Materials: aluminum, brass, copper, steel, and titanium, as well as wood, foam, fiberglass, and plastics such as polypropylene.





<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Fikcxmnn8Q>



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# CNC TECHNOLOGIES

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Drills: Drills work by spinning a drill bit and moving the bit into contact with a stationary block of material.

Lathes: Lathes spin the block of material against the drill bit.

Milling Machines: the most common CNC machine in use today. They involve the use of rotary cutting tools to remove material from the block.





<https://youtu.be/Qj0A7FFyP8U?t=181>

# CNC VS. FDM

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CNC: huge variety of materials

- metal alloys (e.g. aluminum, steel alloys, brass, copper)
- softwoods and hardwoods
- thermoplastics, acrylic, modeling foams
- machining wax

FDM: thermoplastics (PLA, ABS, sometimes nylon)

- Thermoplastics can be mixed with other materials such as ceramics, wood, metal, but the workpieces produced on a 3D printer will not be as robust as workpieces cut from a block of metal or wood.



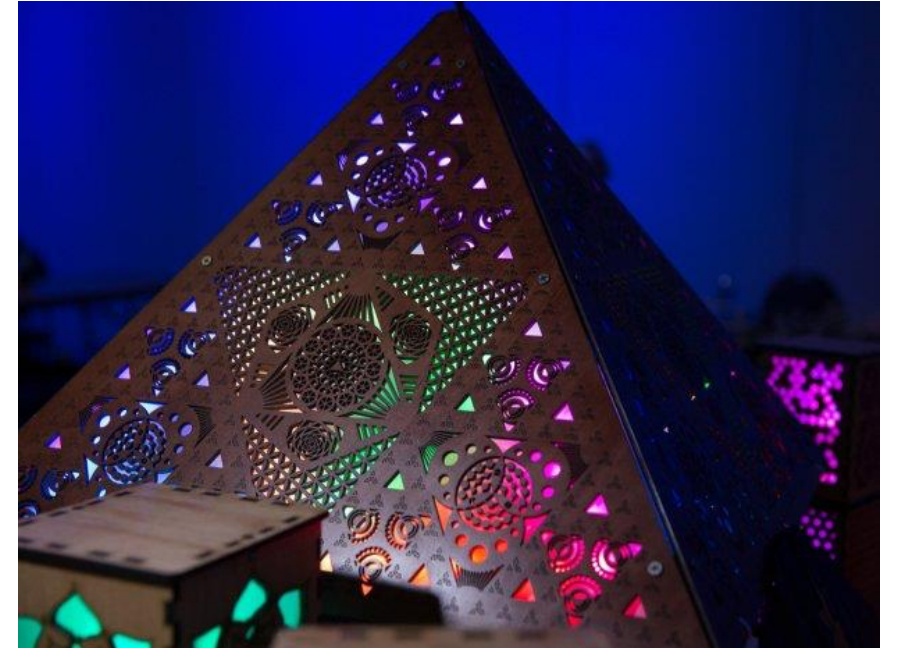
# LASER CUTTER

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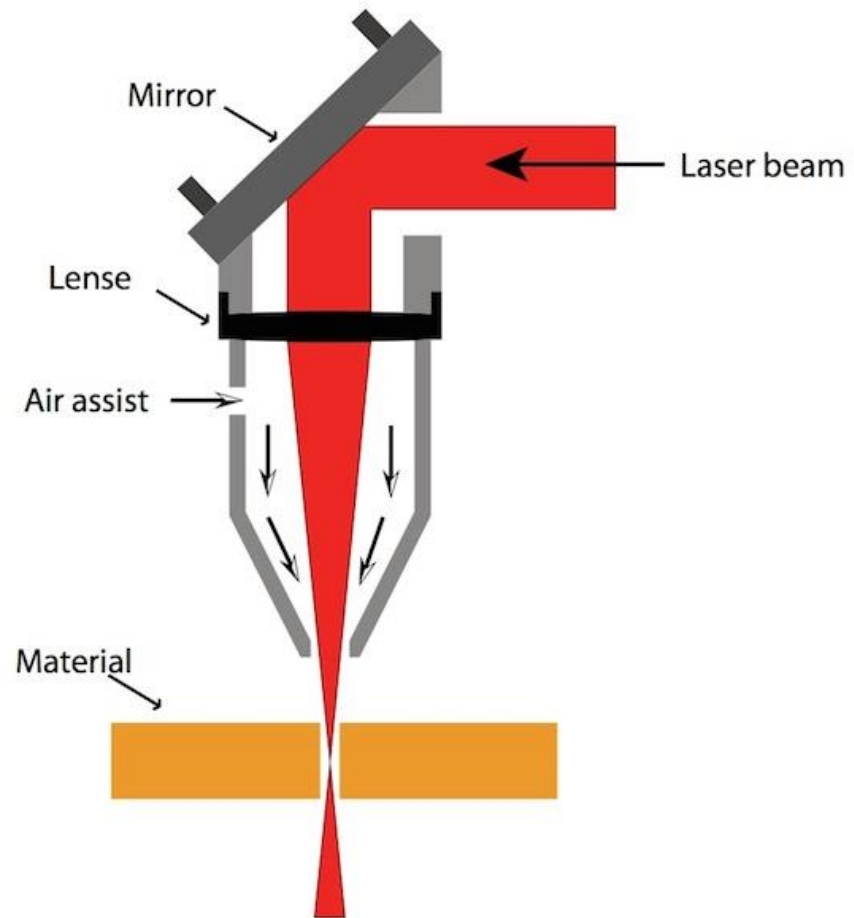
Uses a laser to cut through materials

Cut through a wide range of materials with high precision.

- CNC has a hard time creating ultra-sharp details
- A laser's beam is so narrow that it can give you that precise detail.



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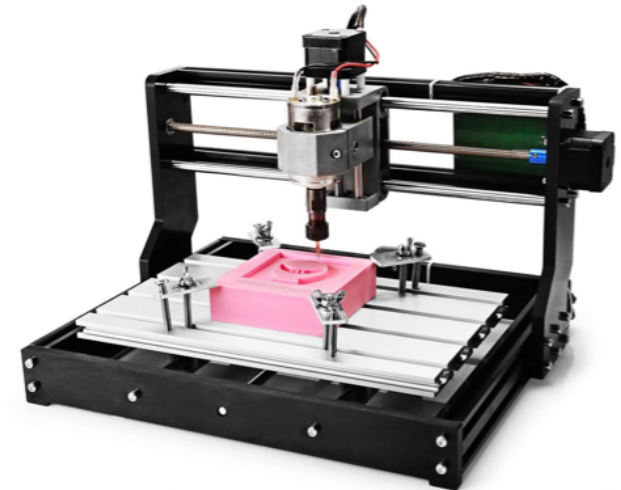
# ADDITIVE OR SUBTRACTIVE?



Additive Manufacturing	Subtractive Manufacturing
3D printing as example	CNC (Computer Numerical Control) milling as example
Adding layer by layer	Taking away layer by layer
Material base = often plastic	Material base = often metals/wood
Often used for fast initial prototyping	Often used for sturdy construction



Combo =  
Hybrid Process



1. What type of features does your product have?

- small organic and intricate features → **additive methods**
- large or sharp features, drilled and tapped holes or other fastening features → **subtractive methods**

2. What type of material do you want to work with?

- thermoplastics and resins → **additive methods**
- materials like metals, wood, or foam → **subtractive methods**

3. How many units do you want to produce?

- low-volume production or iterative prototyping → **additive methods**
- large-volume production runs → **subtractive methods**

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# 3D PROTOTYPING RESEARCH

# RESEARCH AREAS

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Helping users build 3D models

Helping users optimize 3D models

Enabling rapid prototyping with 3D printers

Adding interactivity to digital fabrications

Tools to support computational fabrication

Inventing new types of fabrication

Studying/inventing new types of applications

Performing formative studies

# 4D PRINTING

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## Thermorph

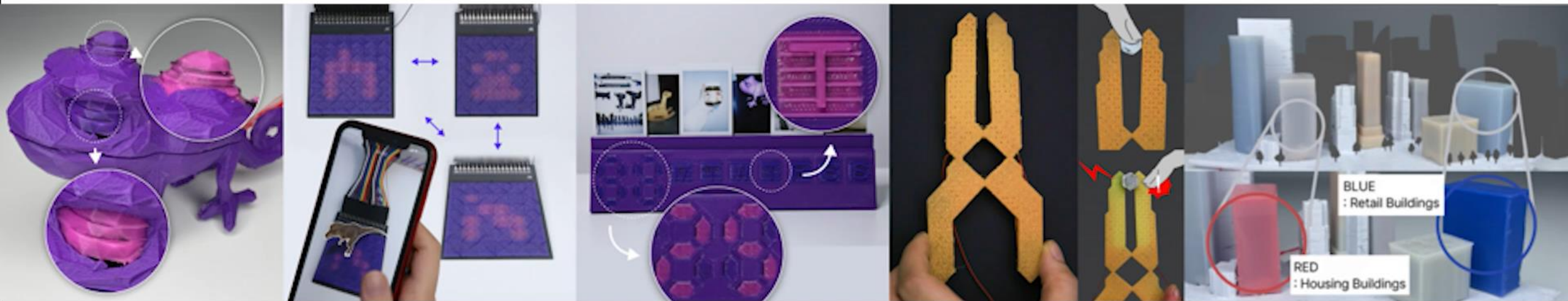
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# 3D Printing Locally Activated Visual-Displays Embedded in 3D Objects via Electrically Conductive and Thermochromic Materials

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# PRINTED OPTICS: 3D PRINTING OF EMBEDDED OPTICAL ELEMENTS FOR INTERACTIVE DEVICES

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# 3D PRINTED INTERACTIVE SPEAKERS

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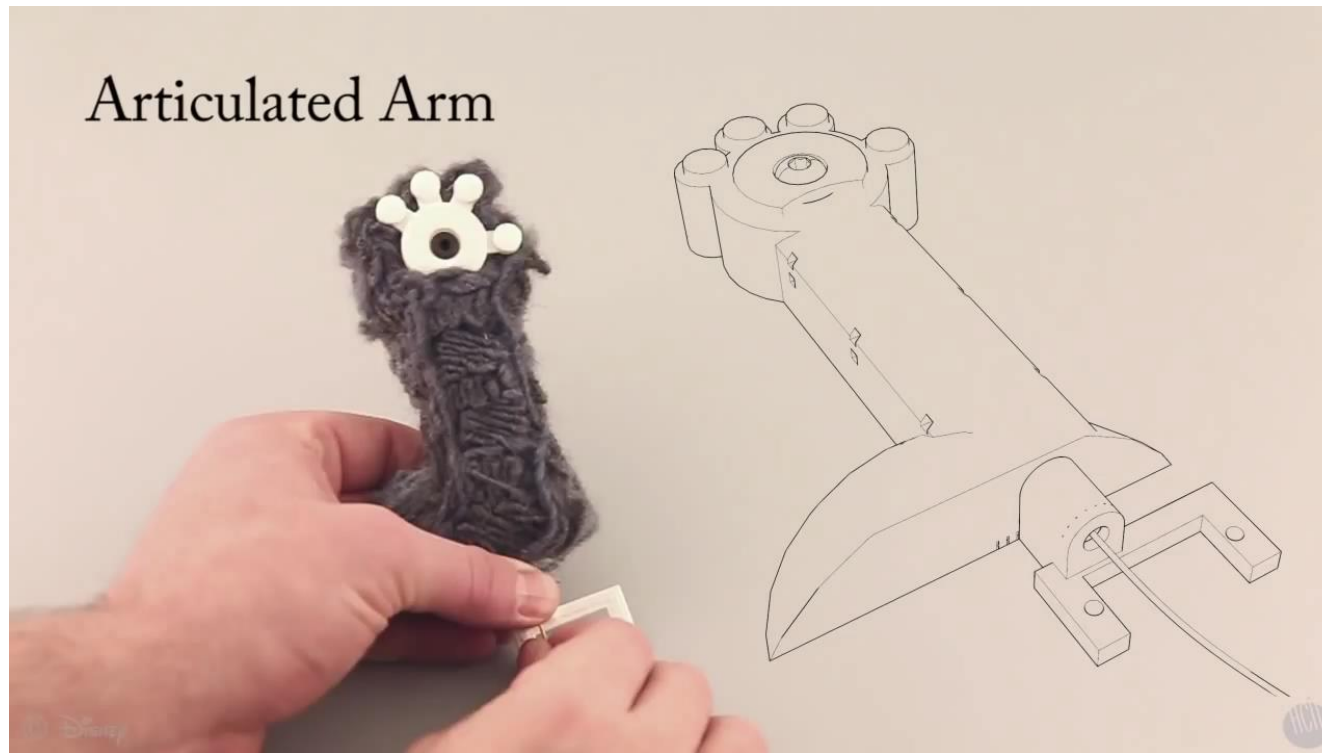
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# PRINTING TEDDY BEARS: A TECHNIQUE FOR 3D PRINTING OF SOFT INTERACTIVE OBJECTS

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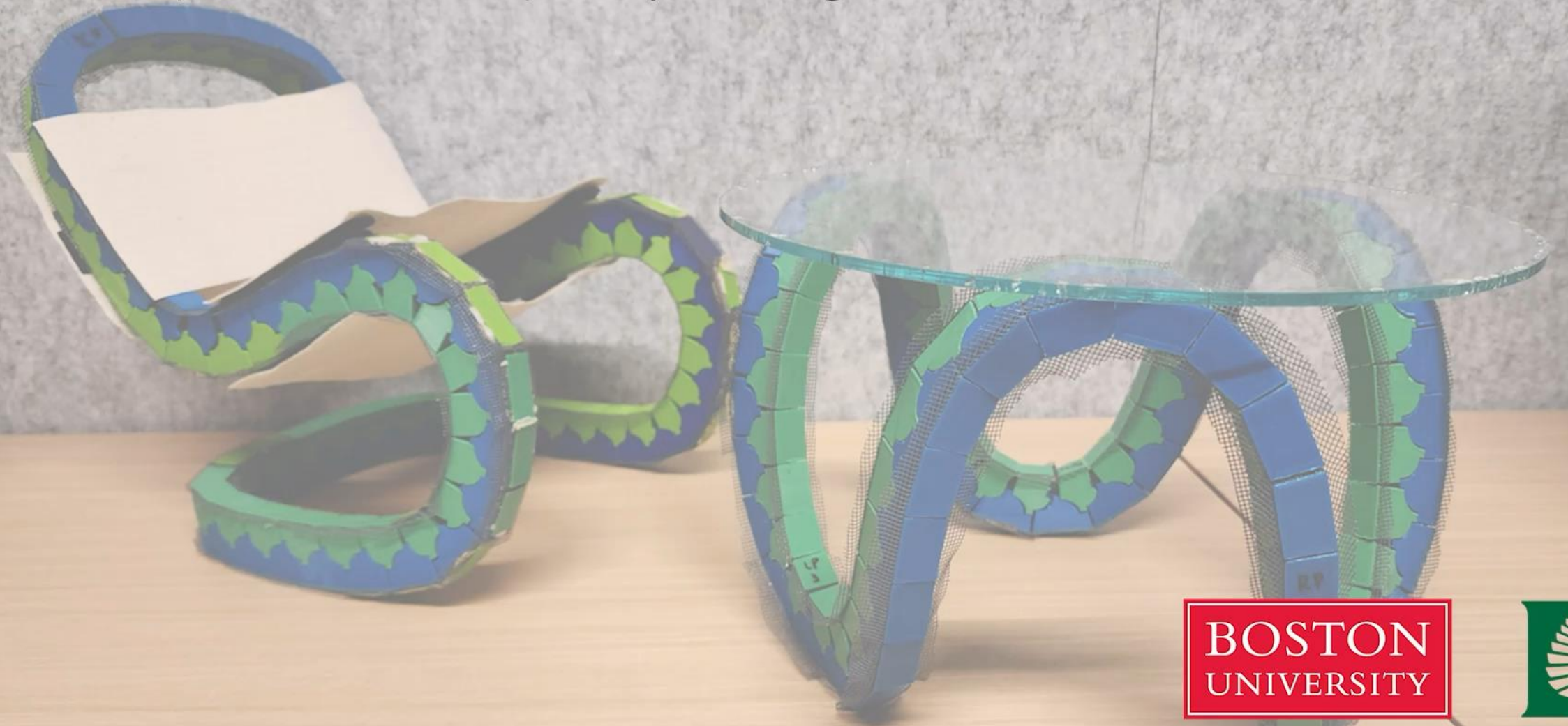
# 3D PRINTED TACTILE PICTURE BOOKS FOR CHILDREN WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS: A DESIGN PROBE

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# StructCurves: Interlocking Block-Based Line Structures

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# X-Hair

3D Printing Hair-like Structures with  
multi-form, multi-property and multi-function



A close-up photograph of a 3D printer's extruder head, which is white and has a yellow warning triangle on its side. The nozzle is positioned over a rectangular wooden block, from which a white, ribbed, cylindrical structure is being printed. The background is dark and out of focus.

# Speed-Modulated Ironing

## High-Resolution Shade and Texture Gradients in Single-Material 3D Printing

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