





Grid-Fin



Ti-6Al-4V build plate



Image courtesy of Ankit Aerospace and Sciaky Inc.

Build plate dimensions = 2.65m x 1.7m



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An FEA mesh is generated directly from the toolpath





Grid-Fin simulation results

Simulation stats:

- 4.1M nodes
- Runtime = 2.4 hours (48 core CPU)
- Peak memory = 71 GB





Grid-Fin simulation results half symmetry model

Simulation stats:

2M nodes

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- Runtime = 34 mins (8 core laptop)
- Peak memory = 22GB





Grid-Fin simulation results video



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Grid-Fin – distortion trends are visibly captured



Experiment

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Simulation

Grid-Fin – Simulated distortion magnitudes are in very close agreement with experiment



(crack locations circled in yellow)

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