# Experiences with 3D Printing

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### Rostock Max V2 printer

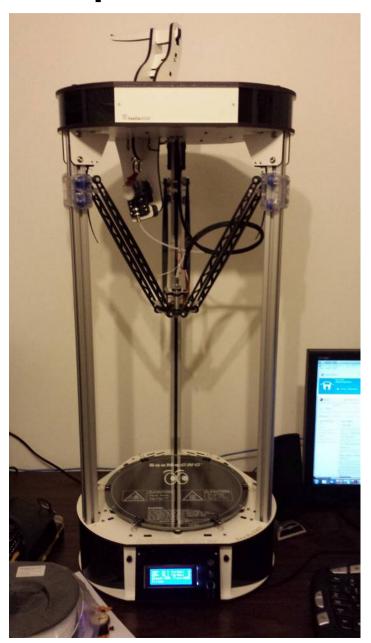
SeeMeCNC.com

Delta configuration

\$900 kit

25-hour assembly time

Large cylindrical build area: 11"diameter, 14" height



#### Filament

ABS plastic

~\$40/kg spool

1.75mm dia

Many other materials available: PLA, nylon, PET, elastomer, metal fill, carbon fiber fill, conductive, glow



#### Extruder

Feeds / retracts filament

Stepper motor

Gear drive

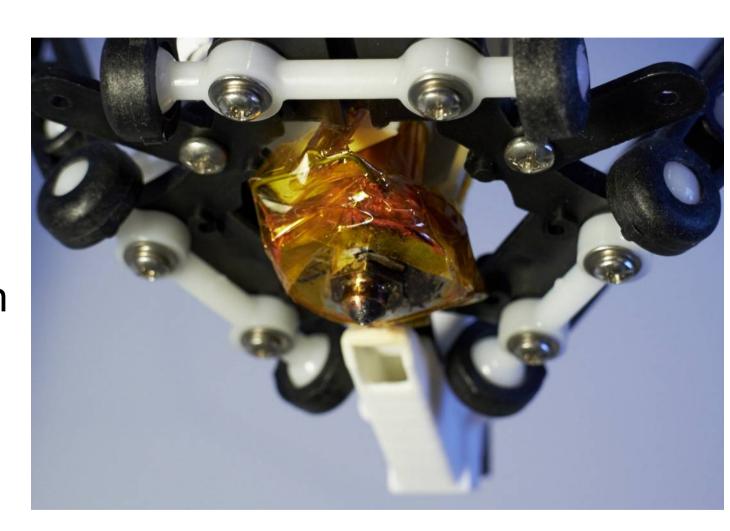
Bowden tube



#### Hot End / Nozzle

Heats ABS filament to 240C / 464F

0.5mmextrusion widthCooling fan



#### Delta Arms

Stepper motors

Timing belts

Carriages



#### **Build Plate**

Flat borosilicate glass

Heated to 95C / 203F for ABS

Kapton tape for adhesion



#### Controller / Panel

Open-source RAMBo

card and firmware (Arduino)

Stepper drivers

G-Code interpreter

LCD + input dial

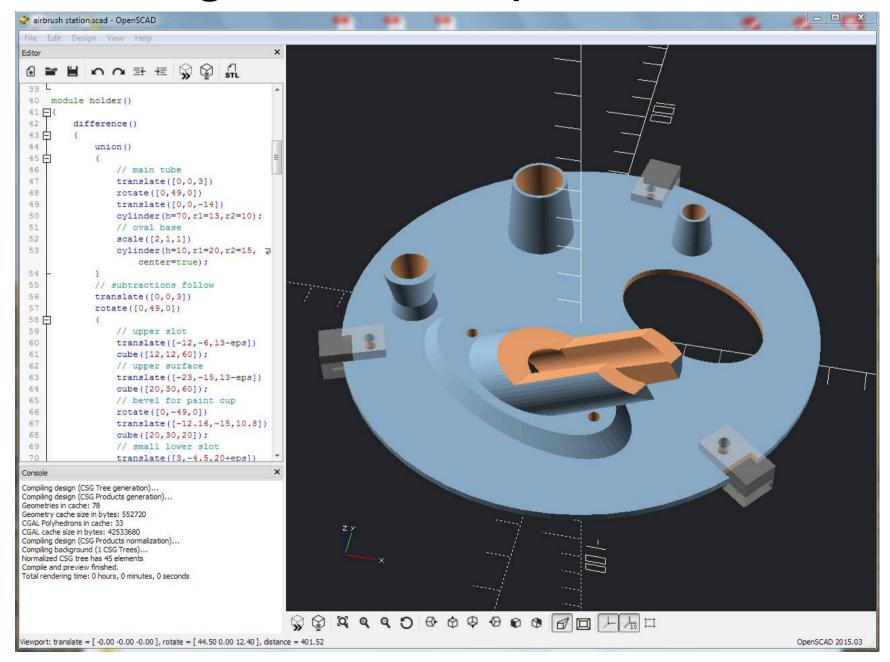
SD card reader

Standalone printing

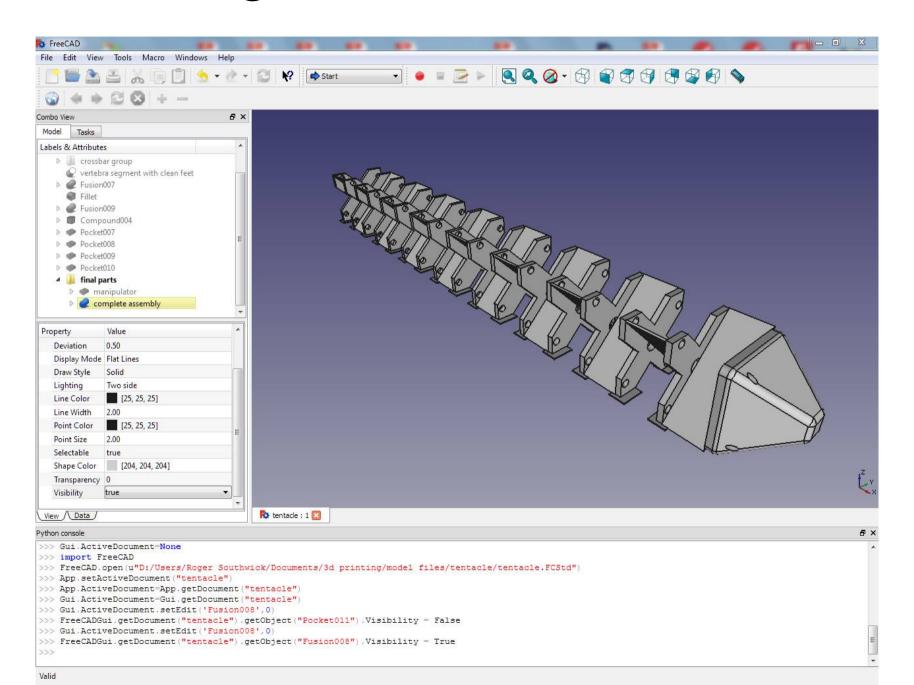
**USB** control



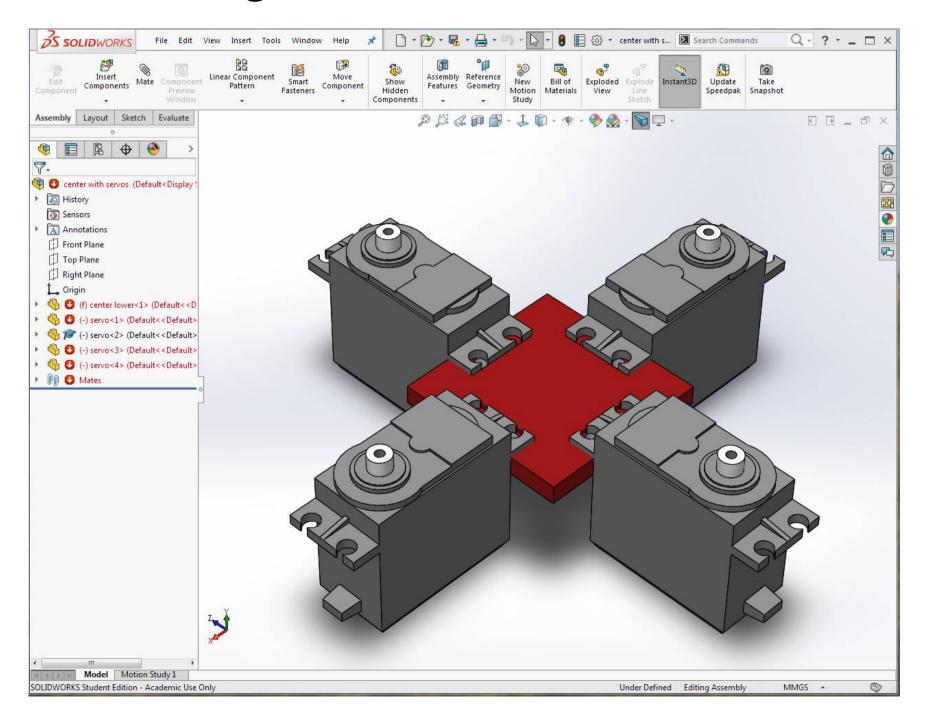
## Design Tools - OpenSCAD



## Design Tools - FreeCAD



### Design Tools - SolidWorks

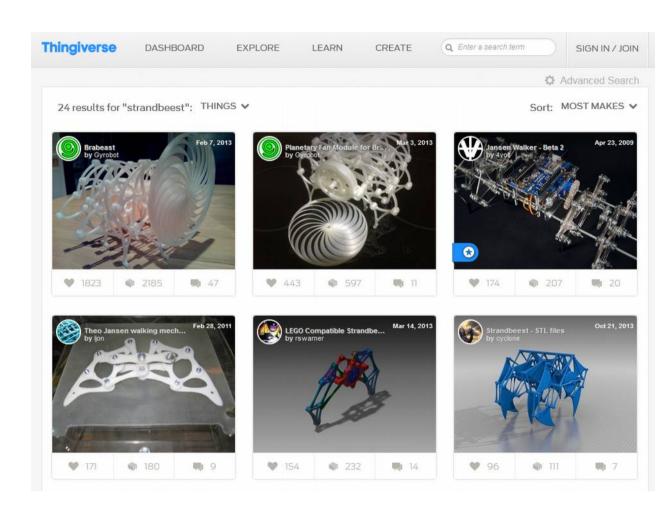


## Online Design Repositories

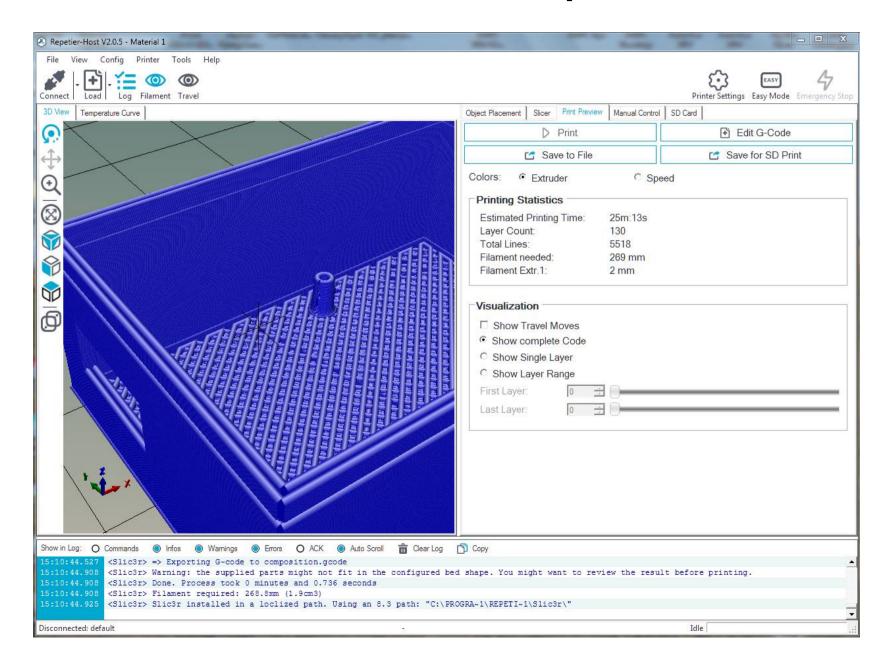
Thingiverse.com

YouMagine.com

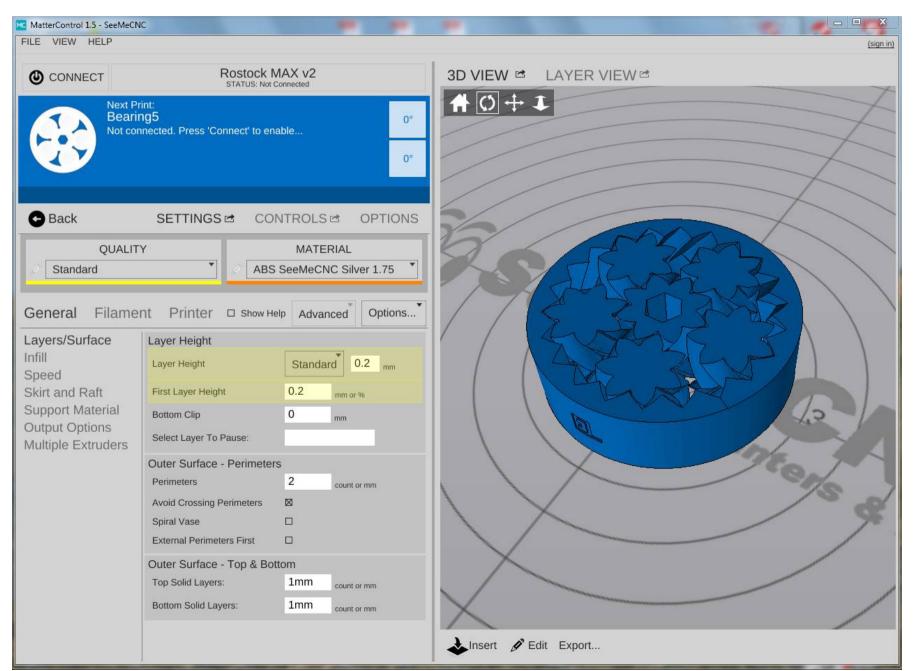
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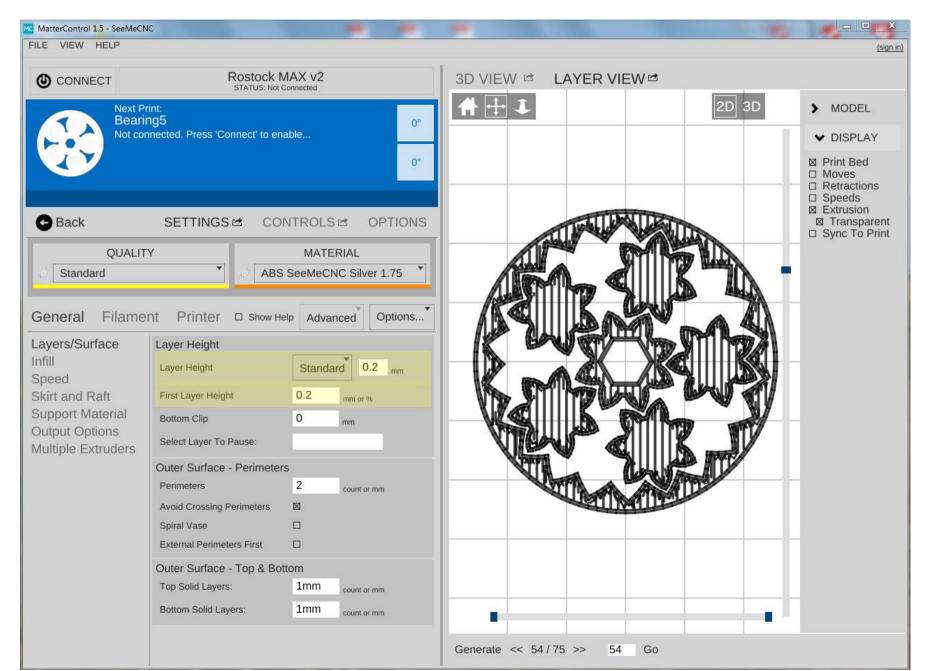
## Printer Control – Repetier Host



#### Printer Control - MatterControl



#### **MatterControl**



### Challenges

Firmware configuration

Printing parameters, trade-offs

Build plate adhesion, ABS contraction

Filament variation

Environment: humidity, drafts, fingerprints

Designing for printability

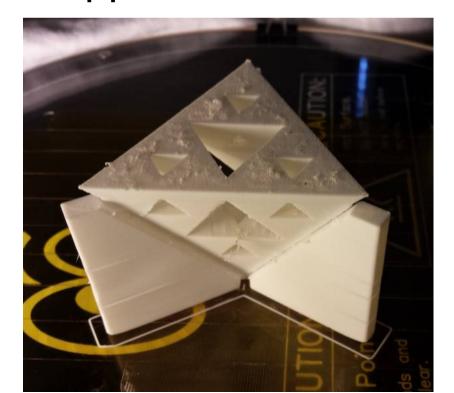
Online designs created for other printers

LOTS of experimentation / fine-tuning

Overhangs



Support

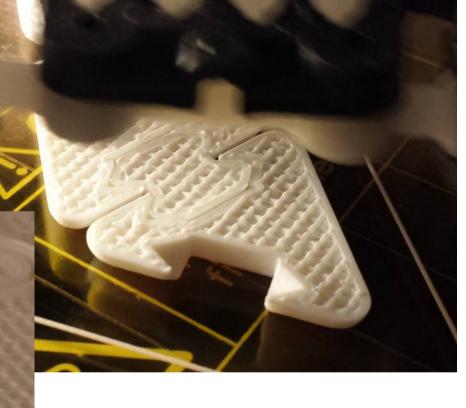




Bridging



Captured internal parts



Hinge

Ratchet gear

Print-in-place movable joints

