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Cyber-physical steganography with STL Data

- **Goal**: uniquely identify a 3D printed component by hiding metadata in an image of the CAD model that can be physically observed in the printed part
 - A consumer of the component can then identify a printed part by extracting this information from e.g. a picture of the part

• Open questions:

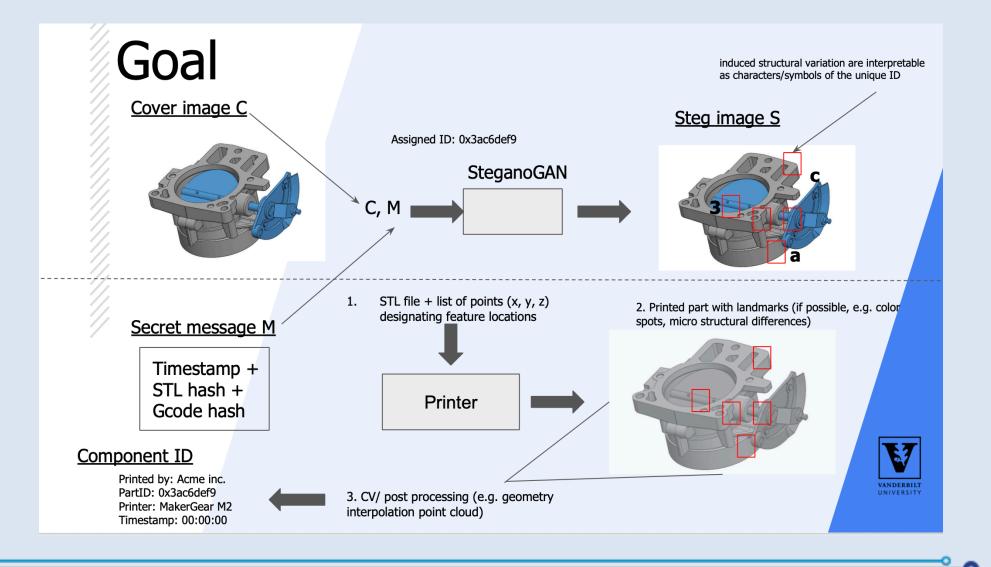
- How can the hidden information be physically embedded/ recovered from the printed part? Directly/indirectly or via image/CT scan/etc?
- Are there/what are the information-theoretic limits to hiding data in CAD image space?
 What aspects of a CAD image allow for more/less data to be hidden?
- **Code**: Steganogan has dependency issue, requires torch 1.0.0 which is unavailable
 - WIP: reimplementation, code: <u>https://github.com/sandbornm/isteg</u>
- **Data**: from Dimelab FabWave: 3D part repository for manufacturing research
 - Contains over 100,000 CAD models and the corresponding object's JPG, STL, STEP files
- Paper: paper with concept overview and experiment design

SCPS 2021 due July 31 (notification late August)

2nd paper next semester that builds on/implements this idea



System overview



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Dataset



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Takeaways

- Lessons learned:
 - How to develop, mold a research question
 - Coding experience
- Challenges faced:
 - Lack of time during June
- What went well:
 - Made new connections, met new people!
 - Getting my first paper (hopefully) accepted

