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## NDE & SHM COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS FOR ENHANCED DIAGNOSTICS AND RELIABILITY ASSESSMENT

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# NDE @ CEA LIST

## NDE Department

- 110 staff members (20 PhD)
- Located in Paris-Saclay

# RESEARCH AREAS

Development of innovation in NDE-SHM

- $\rightarrow$  Modelling Simulation Data
- → Instrumentation Methods Technological transfers to the industry

## **COLLABORATIONS**

- Industrial partnership : Energy, transportation, manufacturing, ...
- International academic partnership









Numerical tools Tailored & Efficient



Complex geometries and advanced materials



Artificial intelligence for diagnostics



NDE Reliability assessment



Robotized, adaptive and reconfigurable NDT



Array imaging & smart sensors



**Structural Health Monitoring (SHM)** 





A glimpse on current *computational* activity at CEA LIST.

- Challenges and recent advances on numerical modelling: Illustration on CFRP simulation
- Computational tools for Reliability assessment:
  MAPOD and Meta-models
- Computational tools for enhanced diagnostics: Illustration on advanced array imaging
- A focus on a growing field: SHM
  Simulation & analytics for GW-SHM

A choice: To limit the talk to UT/GW applications.



# Numerical simulation New approaches and potentialities

# **GOALS FOR NDT SIMULATION TODAY**

- Need to handle always more complex cases
  - Materials: assemblies, multi-layer, AM
  - Defects : scale, shape, location,...

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- Complex geometries, accessibility, surroundings
- Inspection systems : phased array, multi-probe, SHM

### New uses implying intensive computations

- Statistical analysis & reliability assessment
- Diagnostics & inversion: flaw characterization
- Needs for "on line" computational tools
  - Implementation in inspection systems
  - Automatic diagnostic, process monitoring
  - Optimization of robotized trajectories



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# List NEW CHALLENGES FOR SIMULATION

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One way to address complexity : Hybrid codes coupling numerical-semianalytical models + dedicated application oriented meshing strategies

- Combines the advantages of different models and optimize the computational efficiency.
- Requirement/challenge: Fast (executable on personal computer)
- Requirement/challenge: Easy of use ("automatic" meshing, transparency)



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# HYBRID 2D SOLUTIONS FOR UT-GW SIMULATION

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Coupling between Ray-based/modal models with numerical codes





# FULL 3D SOLUTIONS IN PROGRESS Strong Requirement: FAST and EASY TO USE !

Based on the use of 3D SEM (Spectral Element Method) + Domain decomposition



#### **Decomposition in sub-domains**

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- Macromesh strategy: Macro-elements with predefined mesh
- Macro-elements carry geometrical + physics information
- Automatic meshing (no intervention of the operator)
- Possibly : different models in the ≠ subdomains

A. Imperiale, Set al., *UT simulation using a hybrid model based upon Spectral Finite Element and domain decomposition methods*, WCNDT 2016, Munich

#### **SEM: High order Finite Element**

Requires less degrees of freedom for the same accuracy than conventional FEM

# First introduction in CIVA to model crack scattering by hybridization with ray model



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## **List EXAMPLE: SIMULATION OF CFRP INSPECTIONS**

- Modelling the UT of curved carbon fiber reinforced composite structures
  - Stratified anisotropic structure
  - Continuously variable orientations





Targeted configuration

- From a computational point of view it requires:
  - To associate the local orientation to every node of the mesh
  - To ensure a discretization fine enough fine to account for the stack in the curvature



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# Application of the macro-mesh strategy

- Macro-elements contain the information on fibers orientation
- Deformation of macroelement to account for curvature
- Minimal storage of data :3D computations become feasible on a PC !



Makes possible fully transparent construction of the numerical scene

#### Illustration: UT 2 MHz, 55-layers + Waviness



Incident field from ray-model Fluid-solid coupling: PML + mortar elts



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Simulation of Ascan



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Computation time : 10 mn on standard PC



Snapshots of the wave propagating in the part



**Illustration: 16-layers + Waviness** 

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#### **3D** Computations



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**Metamodel:** "Smart interpolator" of a numerical data base substituted to a physical model

"Off line" phase: Possibly time consuming



"On line" phase: Possibly almost real-time





# COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS FOR NDE RELIABILITY ASSESSMENT:

MAPOD, Simulation assisted POD



- NDE reliability assessement : A key challenge
- More and more request for higher level of performance demonstration
- Deterministic (worst case) vs probabilistic approaches (POD).
- Probabilistic approach: Estimation of POD



Probability of detection





Statistical analysis framework in reference documents: MIL-HDBK-1823A, ENIQ-R41, ...

Based on a statistical analysis of laboratory trials: Needs samples & resources





# **MODEL ASSISTED POD**

- Emergence in the early 2000s of the MAPOD concept
- First idea: To replace expensive and sometimes uneasy to implement experimental trials by numerical simulation
- Active R&D on this topic during the last decade :
  - MAPOD Group driven by USAF at CNDE (2003-2011) MAPOD WG
  - European Project PICASSO (2009-2013)
    + French national projects projets
  - In 2010 First POD module in CIVA





In 2016 publication of a **IIW** Recommanded practice



PICASSO



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The methodology:

**Key idea**: To introduce variations in the input parameters of the model and to analyze the variability induced on the output of the simulation.

• The example: from REDUCE European project





- Context: RI-ISI quantification of risk reduction
- POD inputted in Structural Reliability models
- Manual UT of pipes
- 6 cases of study (≠ géométries)
- Breaking fatigue crack detected by corner echo TTT



# METHODOLOGY ILLUSTRATED ON ONE EXAMPLE



- **1.** Nominal configuration
- Manual UT of pipes, 2.25 MHz
- Breaking fatigue crack
- Corner echo TTT
- 6 cases of study (≠ géométries)





#### 2. Variability inputted in the estimation

#### Aleatory parameters

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- Frequency, Uniform
- Angle of refraction, Uniform
- Tilt,  $N(0,\sigma_{tilt})$
- Skew,  $N(0,\sigma_{skew})$
- Probe offset,  $N(0,\sigma_{skew})$



# METHODOLOGY ILLUSTRATED ON ONE EXAMPLE

## 3. Sampling of distributions (MC) + Run the simulations

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- Generation of a set of scenarii
- Use of Ultrasonic semi-analytical models of the CIVA software
- Automatic extraction of the
  Signals amplitude (after calibration)





## 4. Calculation of POD curves

Application of statistical analysis on the simulated amplitudes

#### One **REDUCE** case: « BWR Large »





# THE USE OF METAMODELS FOR PODS

## **Creation of the meta-model CIVA**

- Construction of a Numerical data base
  - 2500 points
  - Takes 10 h on a 30 nodes cluster
- Meta-model

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- Input: The "aleatory" parameters
- Output: The amplitude of the signal
- Radial basis functions





- **Exploitation in the CIVA POD module**
- Computation of **100 000 values (!)** for the calculation of one POD



#### Takes around 4s on a PC





# THE USE OF METAMODELS FOR PODS

New estimation of the confidence bound on POD curve

- Fast simulation of large data-sets makes possible the calculation Calculation of *Beams of POD curves* [1].
- Every POD curve corresponding to one set of statistical distributions.
- Evaluation of the sensitivity to the inputted statistical distributions



[1] Dominguez, N. and al, A new approach of confidence in POD determination using simulation, Rev. of prog in QNDE, VOL 32B, 1749-1756 (2013)





# THE USE OF METAMODELS FOR PODS

To go beyond the « standard » statistical analysis

- Possibility to overcome the hypothesis of standard analysis: Direct evaluation of Hit/miss ratio (« non parametric » POD).
- be used to assess and if necessary to replace a POD estimated according to the « standard » analysis.



In case 1 the standard Hit-miss analysis is valid. Not in case 2!





# **METAMODELS: SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS**

- Simulation of large data-sets makes possible multiple and versatile sensitivity analysis.
- Quantification of the relative influence of the parameters (Sobol indexes).
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Illustration on the *REDUCE* case study:

Indices de sensibilité totaux 100 90 / Tilt 75 60 Height 45 Skew 30 15 Skew 0 Flaw, Height Trad. Freq Flaw, Tilt Trad. Refr Trad. Bigle Flaw, Skew

Sobol index for cracks (0 < H < 10 mm)

Strong influence of tilt and skew.

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- Pioneers works at BAM, (M. Bertovic, and coll.) and in UK (PANI projects)
- Growing interest over the world.



From European-American workshop on NDE reliability and BAM works



From A. D'AGOSTINO, NRC, 2017



From G. Selby, EPRI, ICNDE 2016

In France, National funded project launched in 2017









# HUMAN FACTORS, SIMULATION AND NDE RELIABILITY

Modelling of HF influence on NDE performance



Cognitive Reliability and Error Analysis Method (Hollnagel, 1998)



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Monitoring the inspection to capture gesture variability (UT).



+ Virtual mock-up & real time simulation



#### **Operational simulator**







# **PROOF OF CONCEPT**

#### Damien Rodat's PhD Saclay, Dec 6<sup>th</sup>







# COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS FOR ENHANCED DIAGNOSTICS:

Advanced ultrasonic array imaging



Tremendous development of PAUT techniques

Principle: Application of **electronic delays** to an array in order to steer the beam





Faster acquisitions / Higher performances / Limited Access Compensation

But ... The full potential of arrays is not exploited !



Advanced array imaging: FMC-TFM methods





- **FMC**: Acquisition of the signals for all the pairs of T-R elements
- **TFM**: Processing based on the computation of TOF for all the pixels in the image



**Advantages of FMC-TFM:** 

- Direct imaging of one large area in one probe position
- Optimized focusing and spatial resolution everywhere
- Relative insensitivity to the orientation of the defect
- Intuitive imaging : Easy interpretation
- Enhanced imaging of crack-like defect by corner effect
- Possibility of 3D imaging with 2D arrays.



### Direct imaging of crack-like defects by corner effect







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# **COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS FOR FMC-TFM**

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Modelling embedded in tools assisting the TFM inspection :

- A priori selecting the most relevant images
- Correcting of possible artifacts
- Providing « enhanced diagnostics »: Size of the decfect + accuracy/uncertainty



One key idea: Sensitivity maps (operator « SEE ») defined for one orientation of the defect [1]

SEE: Estimation of the weighed number of T-R pairs in condition of specular reflexion





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# **COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS FOR FMC-TFM**

Sensitivity to « uncertain » parameters (geometry/material)



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> Development of adaptive algorithms based on a real time measurements (example of ATFM)



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Sensitivity to « uncertain » parameters (geometry/material)



Optimization of the imaging : iterative process using metamodels



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### **Principle of the optimization**:









## First results on experimental data (cladded component) :



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### **Performance demonstration:**

- **Reliability**: The ability of the technique to detect defects under realistic conditions
- Accuracy: the effectiveness of the technique to size the defect

- Simulation has been proven to be helpful for reliability assessment (MAPOD)
- Can we imagine similar *simulation-based accuracy assessment* (accounting for « uncertainty/variability » of influent parameters ) ?



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Proof of concept on one example [1] : TFM inspection of the V Bevel of weld



FMC - TFM Images



Array 64 elts 7 MHz Steel welded pipe 21 mm, lack of fusion

**Objective:** To estimate the accuracy of the 6dB sizing procedure on the TFM image

[1] : S. Leberre et al, to be published in QNDE 2018 Proc.





## Methodology:

- Simulation/automatization of the sizing procedure
- Definition of a metric for the accuracy:
  Probability of accuracy(x) = p[||X<sub>Meas</sub> X<sub>True</sub>|| ≤ x]
- Use of metamodels + uncertainty propagation

# SIMULATION- BASED ACCURACY ASSESSMENT

## Identification of uncertain parameters: Here: tilt and on the velocity













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Forwards and Inverse models



Solving the inverse problem for helped/enhanced/automatic diagnostics



# A FOCUS ON SHM New challenges & new opportunities

# STRUCTURAL HEALTH MONITORING

**Structural Health Monitoring** = "The process of acquiring and analyzing data from on-board sensors to evaluate the health of a structure"





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- Damage monitoring replaces periodic inspections
- Instrumentation of the structure
- Network of sensors of possibly different natures
- Decision making systems
- Evaluation of the remaining life

# New challenges, new opportunities An even more central role for numerical tools













- Guided waves are good candidate for SHM of large structures ۲
- Use of PZT sensors to emit and receive GW



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# SIMULATION OF GW-SHM: DESIGN + POD

One big challenge: SHM & POD

It is already recognized that:

- The Standard POD methodology (MIL1823) based on trials is not directly applicable
- Simulation will be an unavoidable element of a methodology which is to be established
- Development at CEA of a CIVA-SHM module

Based on the SEM code previously described : High order FEM + Macromesh



#### Recent NASA benchmark (2018)

Acting WG on this topic at







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# SIMULATION OF GW-SHM

## **Recent results (2018)**

Wave propagation (out of plane velocity, only A0)



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 Experimental validation (signals + images) Al plate, 3 mm



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Comparison of signals in pristine



Simulation of imaging algorithms



O. Mesnil et al, Proc. Of QNDE conf. 2018

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# **GUIDED WAVES IMAGING**

- Imaging/detection relies on comparison to pristine (reference) signals
- Imaging algorithms embedding more or less sophisticated model



**RAPID** (Reconstruction Algorithm for Probabilistic Inspection of Damages)

Correlation between pristine and unknown state. **No model** 







#### Excitelet

Correlation between residual signals and theoretical signals at every pixel





Beyond imaging: Automatic characterization of the defect

Method investigated: Machine learning based inversion

Offline phase: learning the « inverse model »



Numerical database (350 images) Various defect size and position

- Data: Guided wave images (DAS, Excitelet) of holes
- One required step: Dimensionality reduction (here PCA)
- Construction of the « metamodel inverse »: Regression (SVM, KRR...) or classification



Offline phase: learning the « inverse model »







#### **Results**

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#### **Proof of concept:**

- Application to numerical data base (test base, 150 images)
- Average absolute error of 0,3mm in sizing •

#### First results on experimental data:

Excellent prediction (except outliers)

# MACHINE LEARNING BASED INVERSION

Beyond imaging: Automatic characterization of the defect (size)

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Guided wave image Unknown defect

6 8 True

Predicted size VS true size

Blue: Numerical data Red: Experimental data







# **CONCLUSIVE REMARKS**



- A central role of simulation for fulfilling the challenges NDE and SHM are facing.
- Advances in numerical modelling coupled to NDE-oriented implementation allow to address always more complex situations. Example of composites
- In parallel the use of meta-modelling makes possible intensive computations.
- Simulation is for NDE reliability (POD, sensitivity analysis...). It will be even more true for SHM
- Model-based array imaging and inversion/optimization methods can improve diagnostics
- SHM and GW-SHM open new challenges and perspectives: Estimation of remaining life, reliability assessment, use of machine learning algorithms



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