



Realistic modeling of austenitic welds ultrasonic inspection

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フランス語ビレネー

1992 - now : Associate Professor @ Institut National des **Sciences** Appliquées de Lyon **INSA-Lyon** (National Institute of Applied Science)

Teaching activities :

- General Physics at sophomore level (Electromagnetism, waves, optics)
- **NDE** for 4th year engineering students in Material Science and master degree students.
- **NDI** for professionals (preparation to COFREND* certifications Level 2 and Level 3)
*COFREND is the equivalent of **JSDNI** in France.

International responsibilities :

- Deputy of the EURINSA - European First Cycle Program (1999 - 2003)
- Head of the European First Cycle Program (2003 – 2005)
- In charge of the recruitment of spanish students for Eurinsa (2000-2010)

Administrative responsibilities :

- Member of the administration council of INSA since 2006

Research Laboratories :

1992-2012 : MATEIS INSA Lyon (Materials Engineering and Science)

2012-present : **LVA** INSA Lyon (Laboratoire Vibrations Acoustique)

Research topics (mainly ultrasound) :

- Materials ultrasonic characterization
- Non Destructive Evaluation
- Structural Health Monitoring

Industrial cooperations :

EDF (Electrical production), CEA (French Atomic Agency), RTE (electricity distribution), ...

My relationship with Japan

- 2000 - 3rd Japan France Seminar on Intelligent Materials and Structures – 3rd JFSIMS
Tokai University – 08/28-30
- 2002 – Chairman of the 4th JFSIMS
INSA Lyon FRANCE – 07/8-9
- 2004 – 1st INABIO
Sendai 02/24-25 (1st time in Sendai)
- 2004 – Chairman of the 5th JFSIMS
Presqu'île de Giens FRANCE october
- 2005 - International Joint Conference of 'the JFSIMS' and 'the International Symposium on Smart
Materials for Engineering and Biomedical Applications'
Tokyo & Hakone 10/29-31
- 2016 - Visiting professor, **EMAT NDT** , Institute of Fluid Science, Sendai 08/30-10/08
- 2018 – 1st **PYRAMID** joint meeting 01/22-24
- 2018 - Visiting professor, PYRAMID project , Institute of Fluid Science, Sendai 08/24-10/05

Laboratoire Vibrations Acoustique



<http://lva.insa-lyon.fr>



- Staff : (a medium size lab)
 - 16 professors and associate professors
 - 2 research engineers
 - 1 technical assistant
 - 3 post-doctoral researchers
 - 23 Ph.D. students



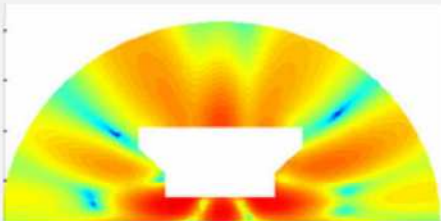
- A+ ranking from the national research agency (ANR)
- Member of LabEx **CeLyA** (Lyon Acoustics Center)
- Member of **Carnot Institute Ingénierie at Lyon**

The Carnot institutes network combines scientific excellence with professionalism and is committed to develop research for companies innovation.

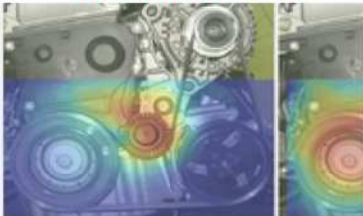


Research fields


Vibro-acoustics

A semi-circular heatmap showing a color gradient from blue (low intensity) to red (high intensity), representing vibration or acoustic energy distribution.


Sources identification

A collage of images showing mechanical components and heatmaps, illustrating the process of identifying vibration sources.

Sound and vibration perception

A photograph of a mannequin head and torso in a laboratory setting, used for studying human perception of sound and vibration.

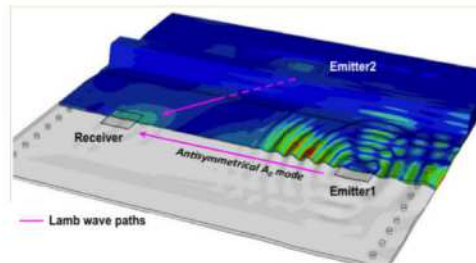
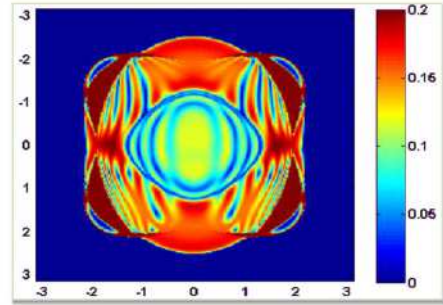
Monitoring – Diagnosis - NDT

A photograph of a piece of industrial equipment, likely used for non-destructive testing (NDT) and monitoring.



Monitoring – Diagnosis - NDT

- Materials and structures characterization
- Condition monitoring from vibration or rotational speed measurements
- Flaws detection, sizing and identification, in structures (ultrasound, SHM, X-rays)



Equipments for X-Rays

Xrays Tomography



Multimodal Xrays bench (diffraction, scattering, fluorescence)

Experimental equipments : for ultrasonics

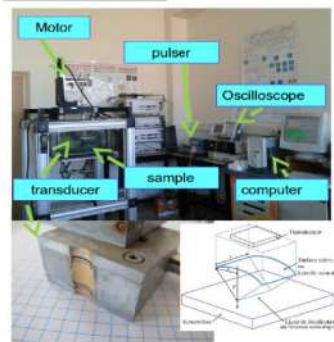
Anisotropic materials
ultrasonic characterization bench



Laser probe 2.5 MHz bandwidth



Prisma phased array/UT device



Imaging and
Acoustic microscopy



PowerBoxH for EMAT

Major on-going projects for Monitoring – Diagnosis – NDT topic

- 2016-2019 : **MUSCAD** [web site](#)

Méthodes UltraSonores pour la Caractérisation de matériaux de composants nucléaires pour l'Amélioration du Diagnostic

Ultrasound methods for the characterization of nuclear component materials for diagnostic improvement



- 2017-2020 : **PYRAMID** [web site](#)

配管減肉のモニタリングと予測に基づく配管システムのリスク管理

Piping sYstem, Risk management based on wAll thinning MonItoring and preDiction

ANR/JST project



- 2017- 2021 : **SCCoDRa** [web site](#)

Suivi et Contrôle de la Corrosion des composants métalliques pour le stockage des Déchets Radioactifs

Monitoring and Corrosion Control of Metal Components for Radioactive Waste Storage



- 2016-2019 : **CARAPACE** [web site](#)

ColdsprAy pour Revêtements polymères hAutes PerformAnCEs

Coldspray for High Performances Polymer Coatings

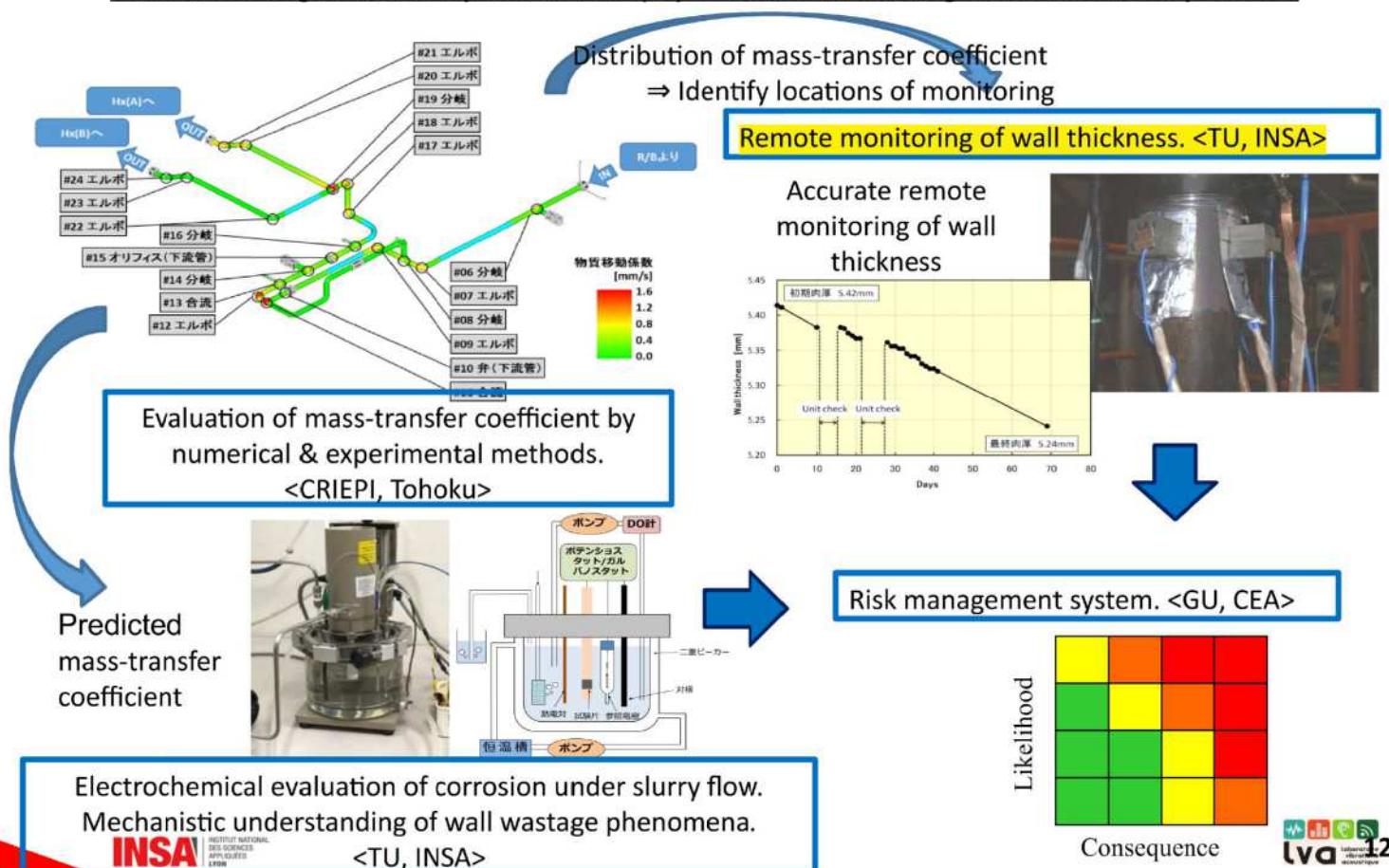


“Piping sYstem, Risk management based on wAll thinning MonItoring and prediction”

Coordinators of PYRAMID Project Toshiyuki TAKAGI
Philippe GUY



Risk management system for pipe wall thinning due to slurry flow





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The presented research has been realized by all these people

MUSCAD		MOSAICS		
Leymarie Nicolas	CEA LIST	Chassignole Bertrand	EDF R&D	
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Chatillon Sylvain		Espinasse Gilles		
Mascaro Benoît	INSA Lyon - LVA	Fouquet Thierry		
Blachier Patrick		Rose Christian		
Chatard Julien		Lathuilliere Bruno		
Gueudré Cécile	LMA	Carpreau Jean-Michel		
Corneloup Gilles		Recolin Patrick		DCNS
Mailhé Jean		Mahaut Steve		CEA LIST
Ploix Marie-Aude	EDF R&D	Leymarie Nicolas		
Schumm Andreas		Baronian Vahan		
Lhuillier Pierre-Emile		Corneloup Gilles		LMA
Ferré Antoine		Moysan Joseph		
		Gueudré Cécile		
		Monnier Thomas	INSA Lyon	
		Alaoui-Ismaili Naima	LVA	
		Foucher Fabrice	EXTENDE	

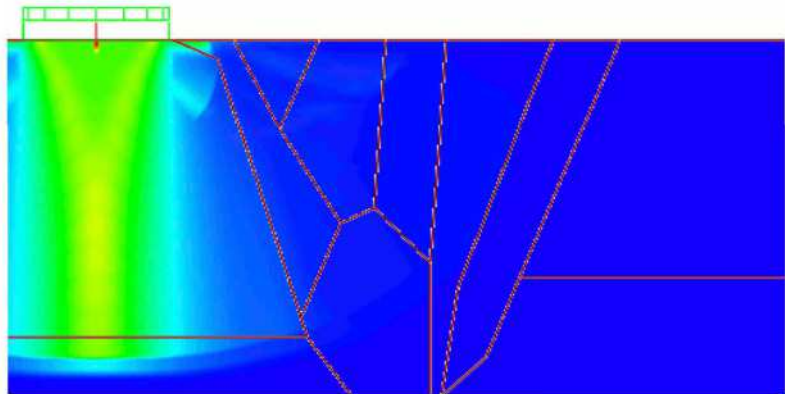
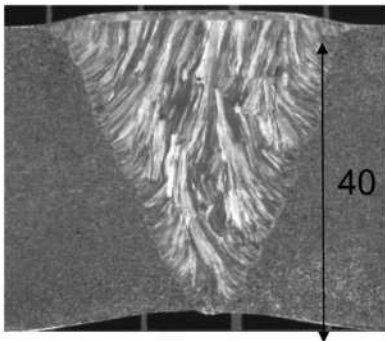
With the support of



Context

- ▶ Pippings of primary circuit of EDF PWR plants and Naval Group structures are subject to thermal and mechanical stresses:
 - In-service flaws
- ▶ Regulatory requirements:
 - In-depth inspection of components ⇒ UT techniques: flaw detection and sizing
 - Qualification of UT process
- ▶ But UT inspection of austenitic welds is limited by:
 - Anisotropic, heterogenous and coarse grain structures highly disturbing UT propagation:

Beam deviation, division and attenuation



ATHENA2D simulation



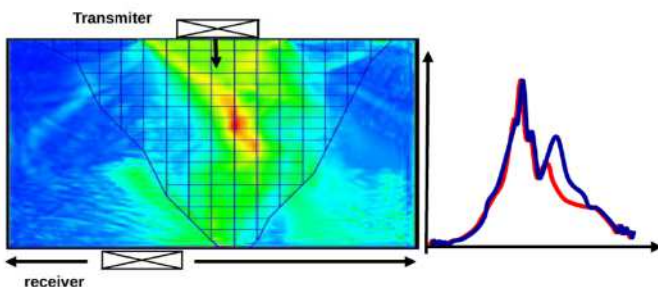
Ultrasonic NDT

The interaction of ultrasonic waves with this welds is very complicated

A simulation code is needed to get a physical understanding of ultrasound propagation in austenitic steel

diagnosis help

Tool for the inspection process design



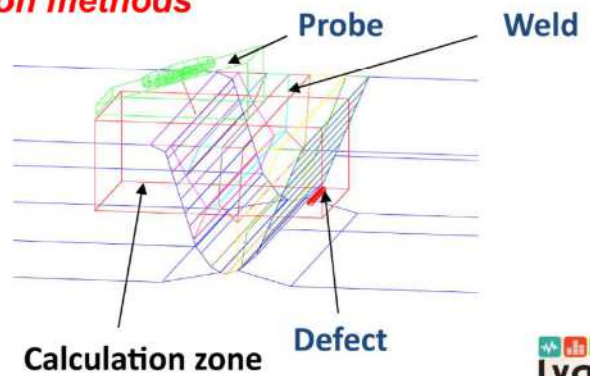
Simulation of propagation: ATHENA code (EDF)

- Input data :**
- Sitffness tensor
 - Global attenuation of the beam
 - Complex stiffness tensor

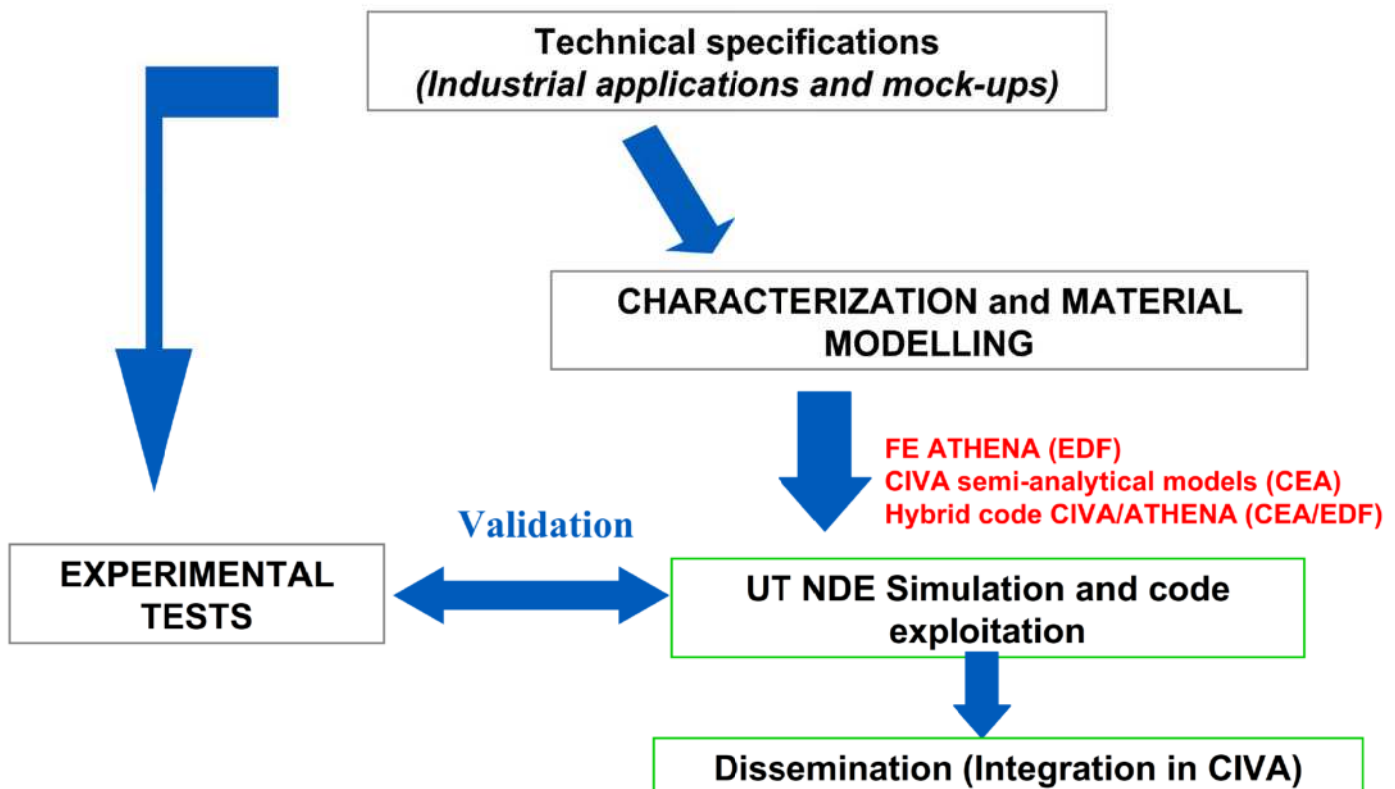
MOSAICS followed by MUSCAD projects (supported by French National Research Agency)



- ▶ **UT simulation: process development and qualification:**
 - Parametrical studies for performance demonstration
- ▶ **BUT current code had limitations:**
 - Semi-analytical models (CIVA) : not adapted to highly heterogeneous structures (current ray theory not valid)
 - Finite element code (ATHENA) : only in 2D version
- ▶ **Development and validation of numerical tools used for ultrasonic testing of austenitic welds in 3D configurations**
- ▶ **Improvement of the ultrasonic characterization methods**
- ▶ **Cross validation : simulation/experiments**



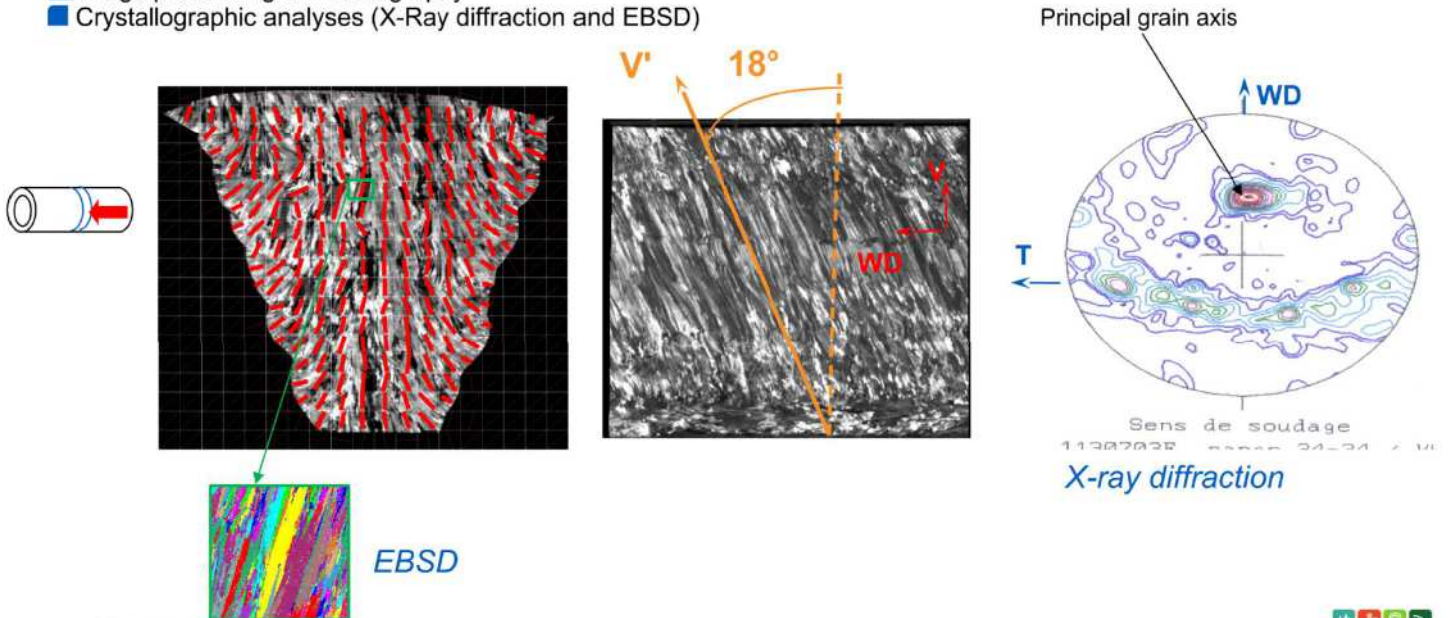
process development



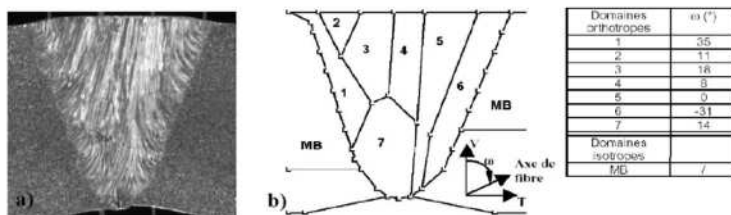
Metallurgical weld characterization

- ▶ Up-vertical position: 3D modelling
- ▶ Weld description (grain orientation mapping) compatible with modelling codes:

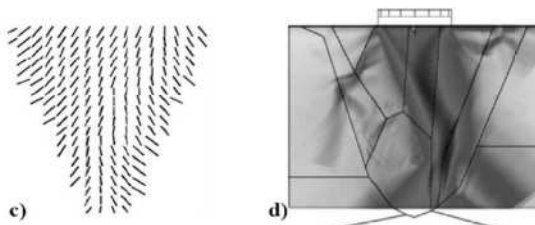
- Image processing on macrography
- Crystallographic analyses (X-Ray diffraction and EBSD)



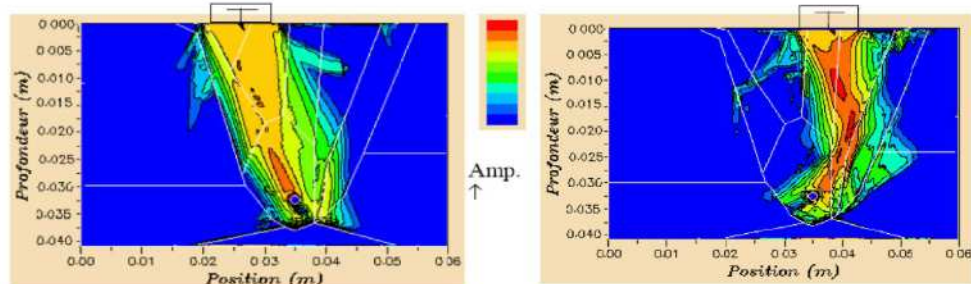
Grains orientations determination



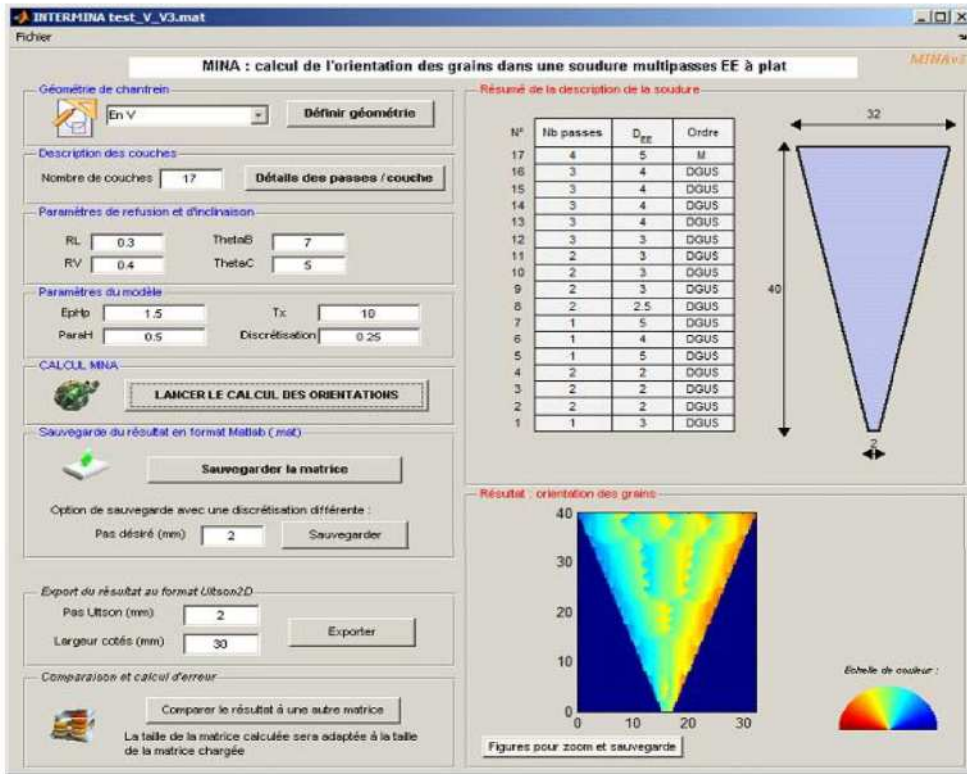
Sub-domains with variable orientation



Simulation code : *ATHENA* developed by EDF and INRIA

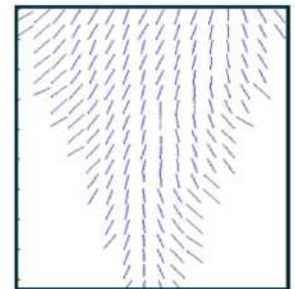


MINA Model (inputs from the welding report)



2D configurations SMAW

Adaptation to GTAW in progress



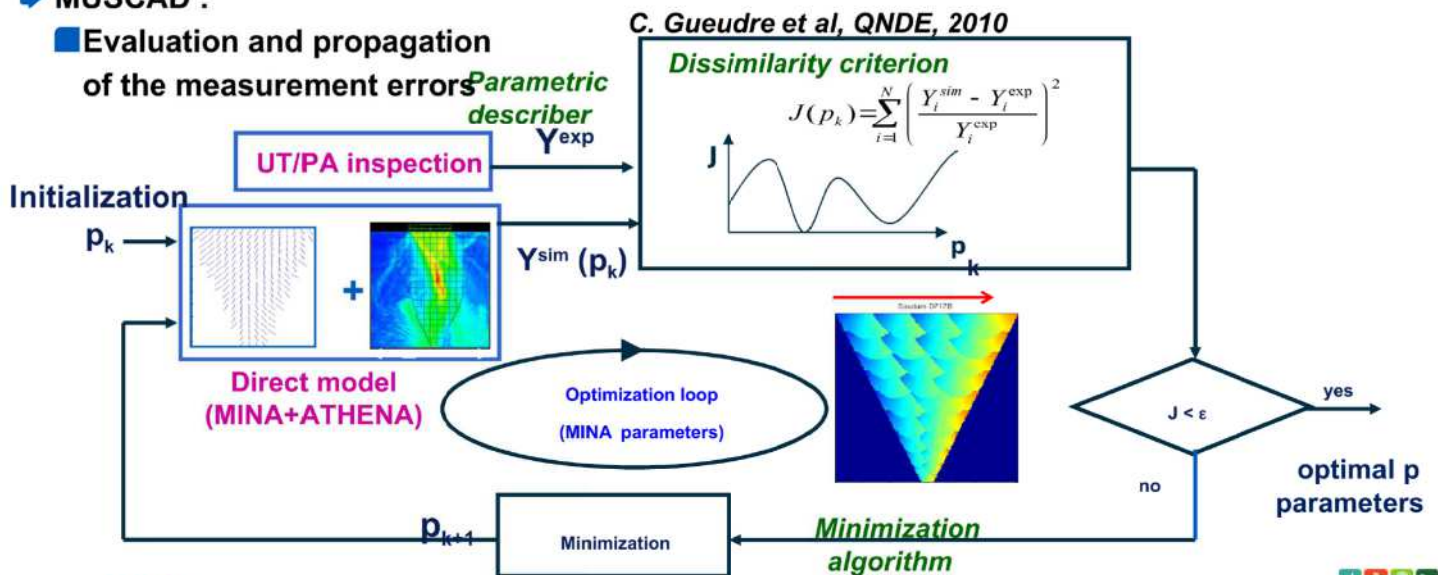
Meshing 2x2 mm²

J. Moysan et al, IJVPV, 2003
A. Apfel et al, Ultrasonics, 2005



Inversion process for weld characterization

- Objective: weld characterization of unknown structure (number and order of passes, velocity...)
- Previous work: process validation on numerical results in transmission mode
- MOSAICS :
 - Experimental data in tandem mode
 - Inversion on passes order
- MUSCAD :
 - Evaluation and propagation of the measurement errors

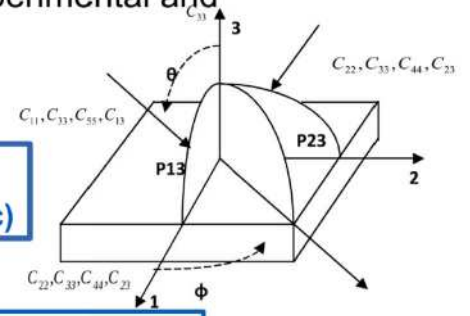
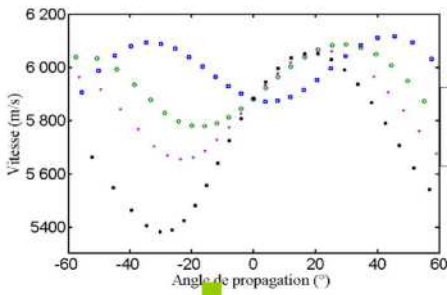


C. Gueudre et al, QNDE, 2010



Elastic properties measurement: strategy

- ▶ Inverse problem resolution based on comparison between experimental and theoretical velocities for a large set of transmitted waveforms



Initialization $\Rightarrow C_{ij}$
(assumption : orthotropic)

Calculation of theoretical velocities

Experimental velocities

Global optimization algorithm
Calculation of velocity difference
Difference < threshold ?

New C_{ij}

- 12 unknowns (orthotropic):
- 9 C_{ij}
 - 3 Euler angles

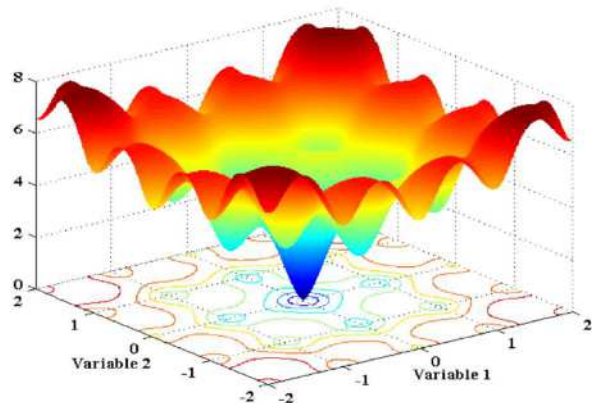
Yes
Estimated values of C_{ij}

No

Optimization Algorithms : choice

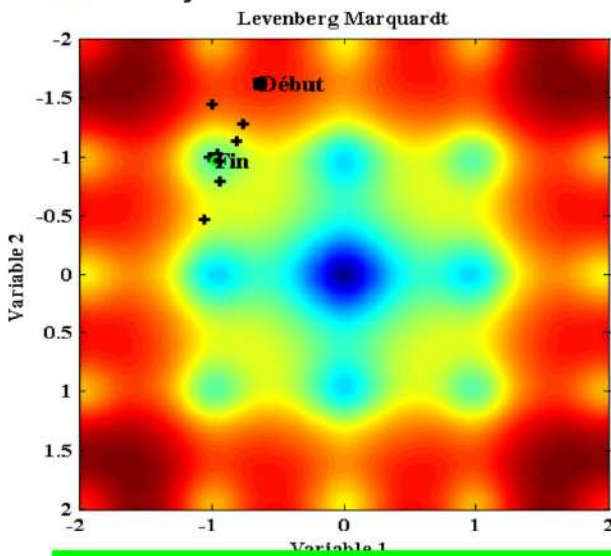
- ▶ Two kinds of methods.
 - ✓ **local**, steepest descent type, (conjugated gradients, Newton...), **Levenberg Marquardt (LM)**;
 - ✓ **global**, Simulated annealing (**SA**), neural networks, genetic algorithms .

- ▶ Fonction de Ackley (test function)

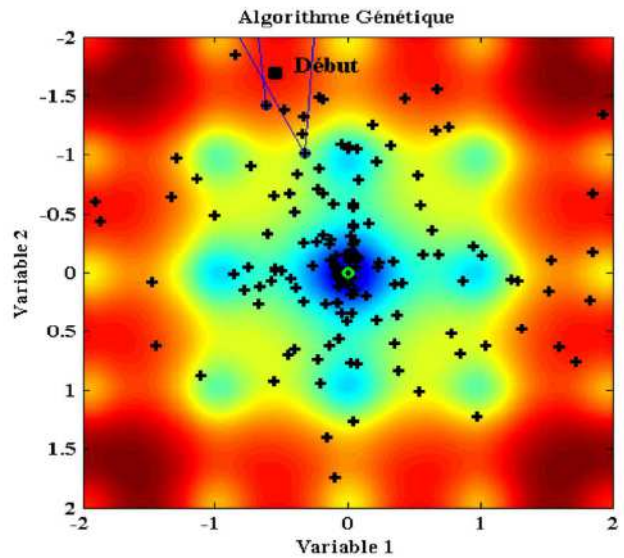


Comparison of performances

Ackley function



Calculation time almost insensitive to optimization conditions (variable number)

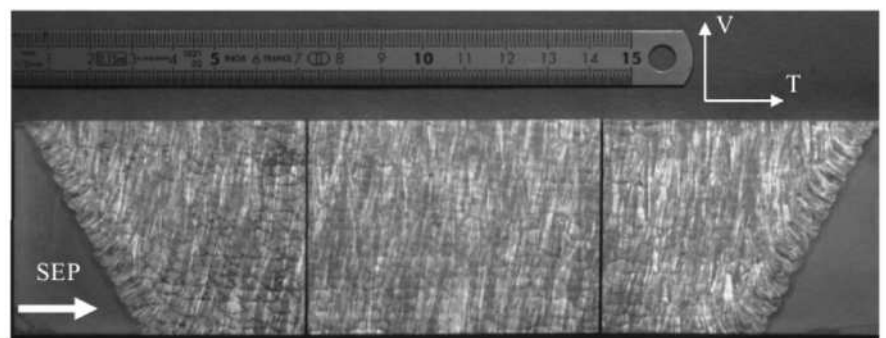
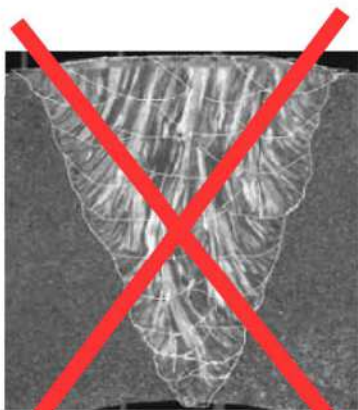


Calculation time grows with large optimization condition

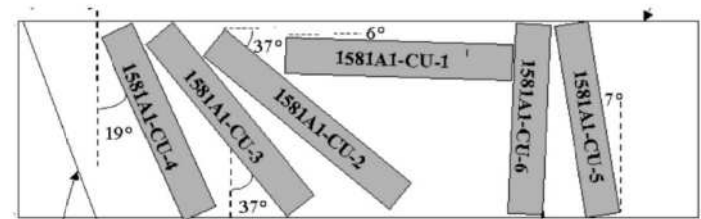
We finally opted for a hybrid algorithm : Simulated annealing + gradient based method

Ultrasonic characterization of weld properties: samples

Inconel 182



Vertical texture



9 Cij

+ 3 angles d'Euler

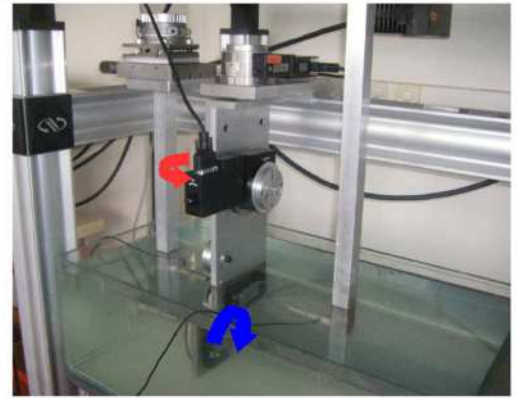
Parameters in the 'crystal' coordinate system

Crystal orientation in the sample coordinate system

Ultrasonic characterization of weld properties

Original 6 automated DOF ultrasonic device in transmission mode:

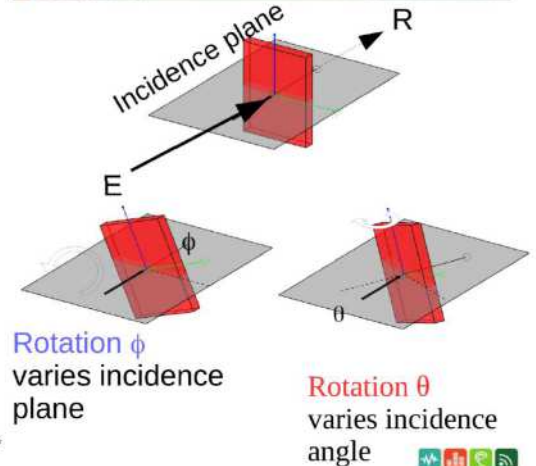
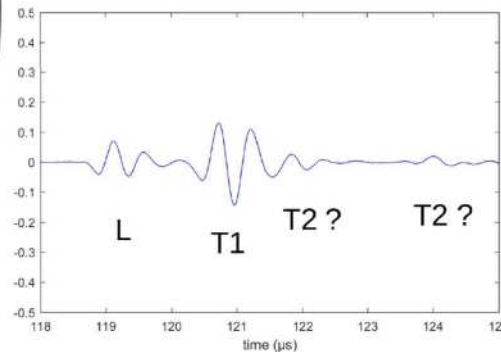
- Phase velocity measurements in various planes and directions of propagation
⇒ elastic properties and Euler angles
- Measurement of attenuation of shear and compression waves



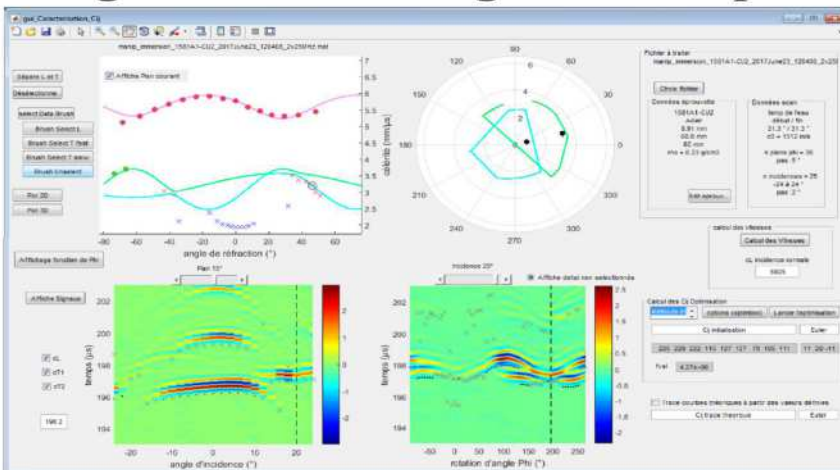
Velocity measurement from the received waveforms (L or T₁ or T₂)

$$\theta_1 = \arctan \left(\frac{e \sin \theta_0}{c_0 \left(dt + e \left[\frac{1}{c_{1Lp}} + \frac{\cos \theta_0 - 1}{c_0} \right] \right)} \right)$$

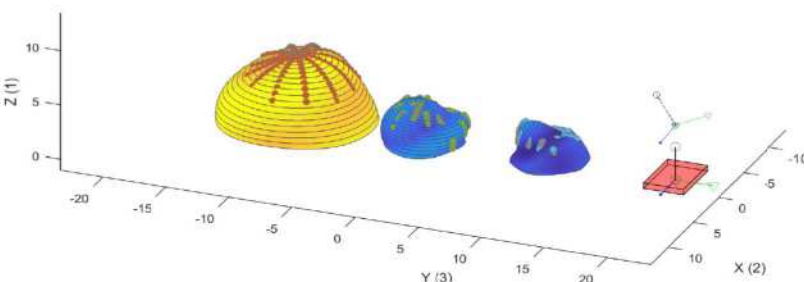
$$c_1 = \frac{e \cos \theta_1}{dt + e \left[\frac{1}{c_{1Lp}} + \frac{\cos \theta_0 - 1}{c_0} \right]}$$



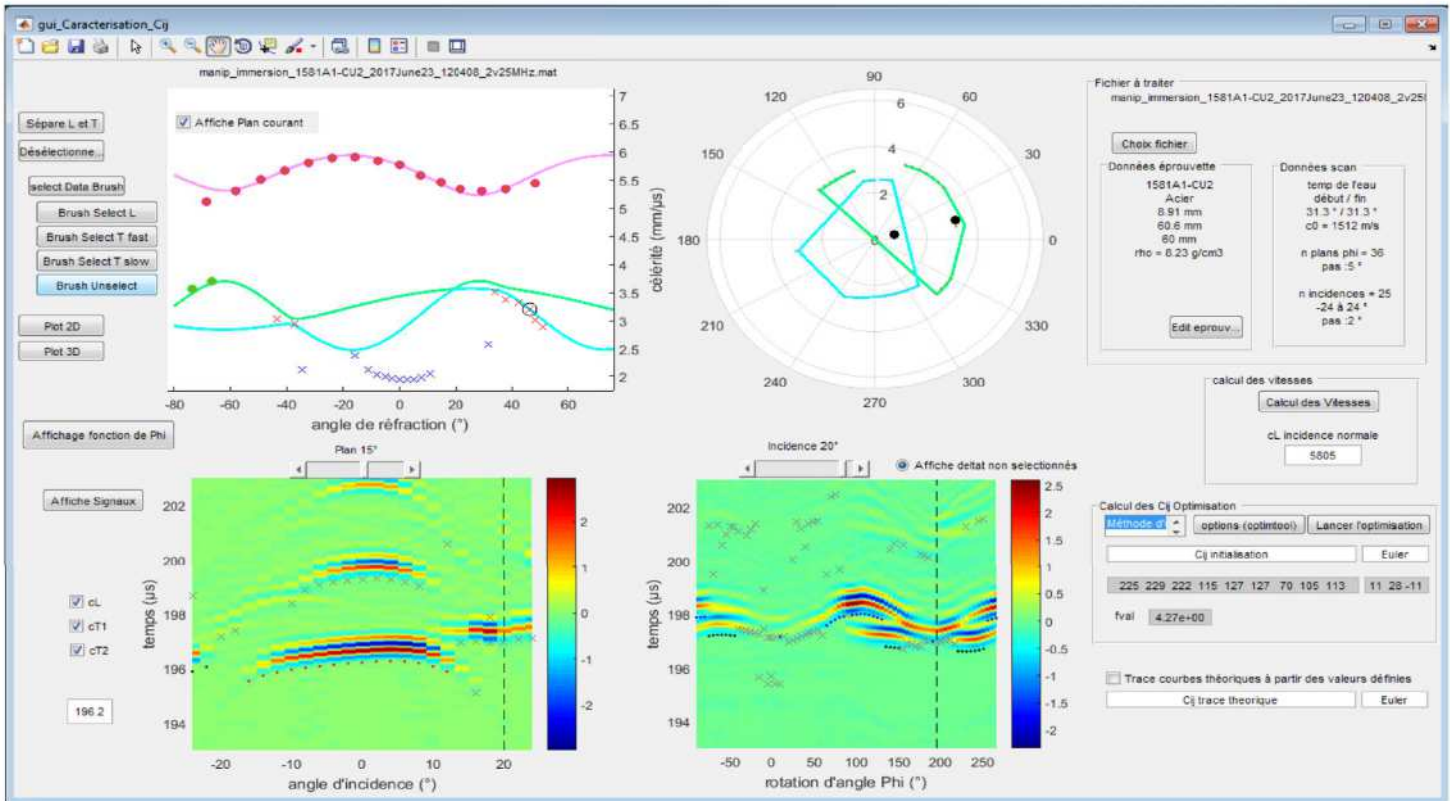
Signal conditioning and data processing



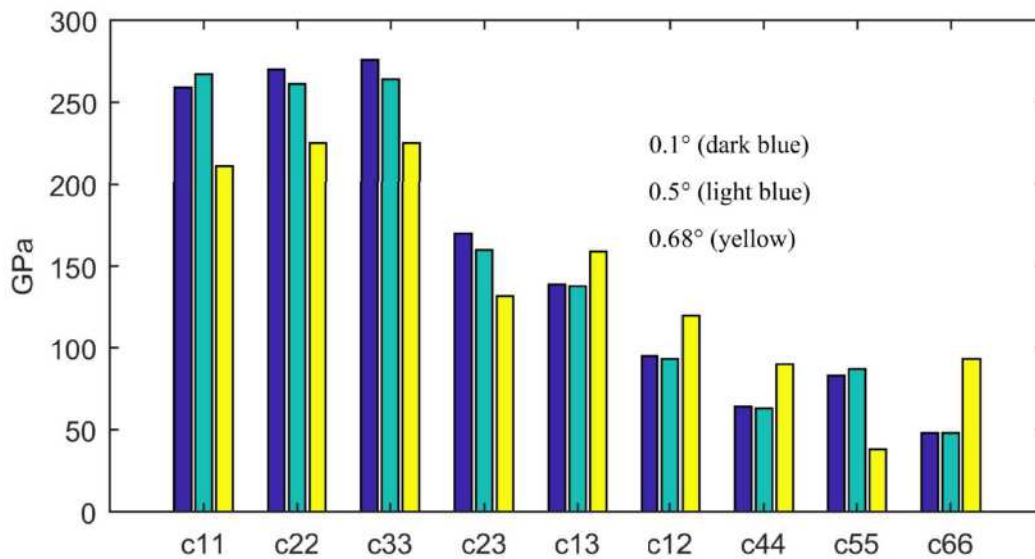
- 5 different display of data
- Mode labélisation directly on the graphs L T₁ T₂
- Data display plane by plane or all
- Enhancement of the selected data
- 3D Plots 3D of the selected data
- Run the optimization with the selected data.
- Comparison of the of the experimental values and optimized ones



Signal conditioning and data processing



Influence of the incidence angle misalignment



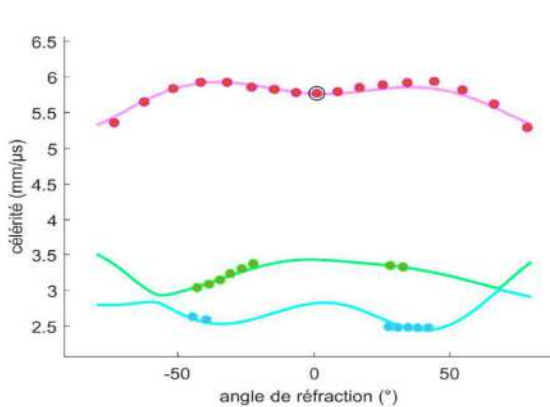
The optimization results are very sensitive to the exact value of the incidence angles



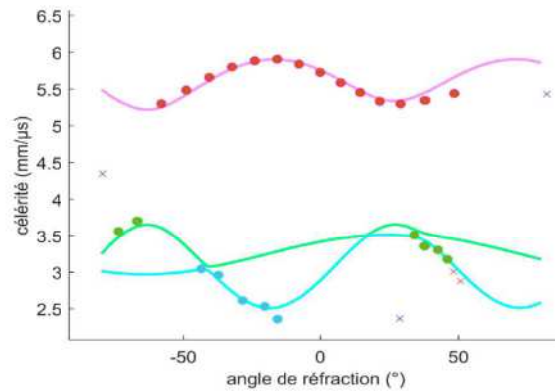
- => definition of a new experimental process
- => automatic alignment of the normal with the ultrasonic axes.
- => automatic correction of the screwness of the sample during rotation

Influence of signals selection

Selection of shear waves



A) Rapid and slow shear waves are separated

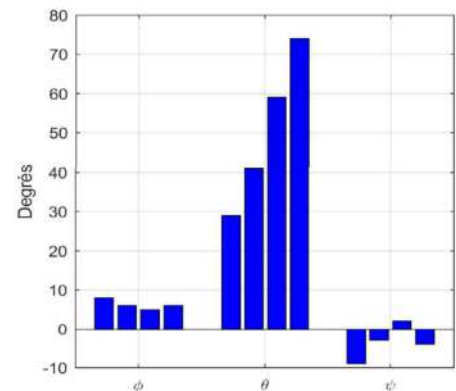
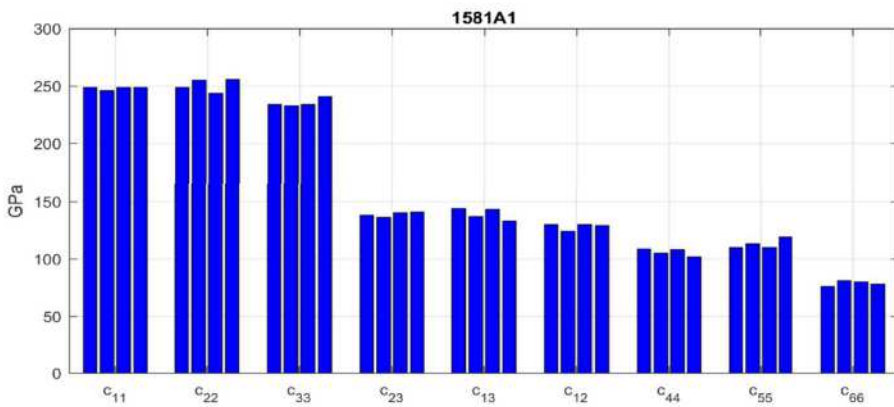


B) Rapid and slow shear waves on a continuous branch



The optimization results are very sensitive to the shear waves identification
=> remove all the experimental data can't be clearly identified

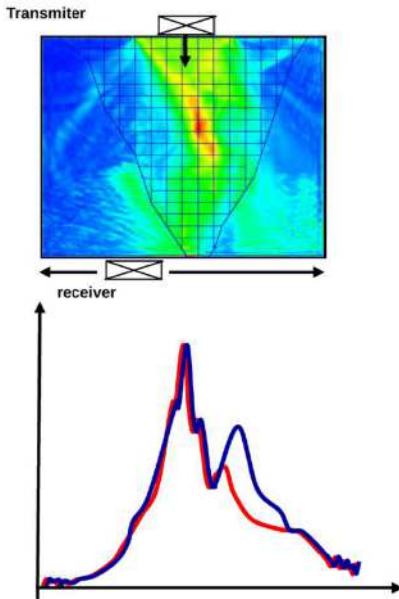
Optimized stiffness tensor and crystal orientation : Inconel 182



	C_{11}	C_{22}	C_{33}	C_{23}	C_{13}	C_{12}	C_{44}	C_{55}	C_{66}	
C_{ij} average	248	251	236	139	139	128	106	113	79	(GPa)
Std. dev.	1,5	5,6	3,7	2,2	5,2	2,9	3,2	4,2	2,2	(GPa)

	θ optimized	θ cut
sample 1	29°	37°
sample 2	41°	53°
sample 3	59°	71°
sample 4	74°	83°

Simulation results (ATHENA2D by EDF R&D)



**The position of the peaks are OK
BUT
Their amplitudes are NOT**

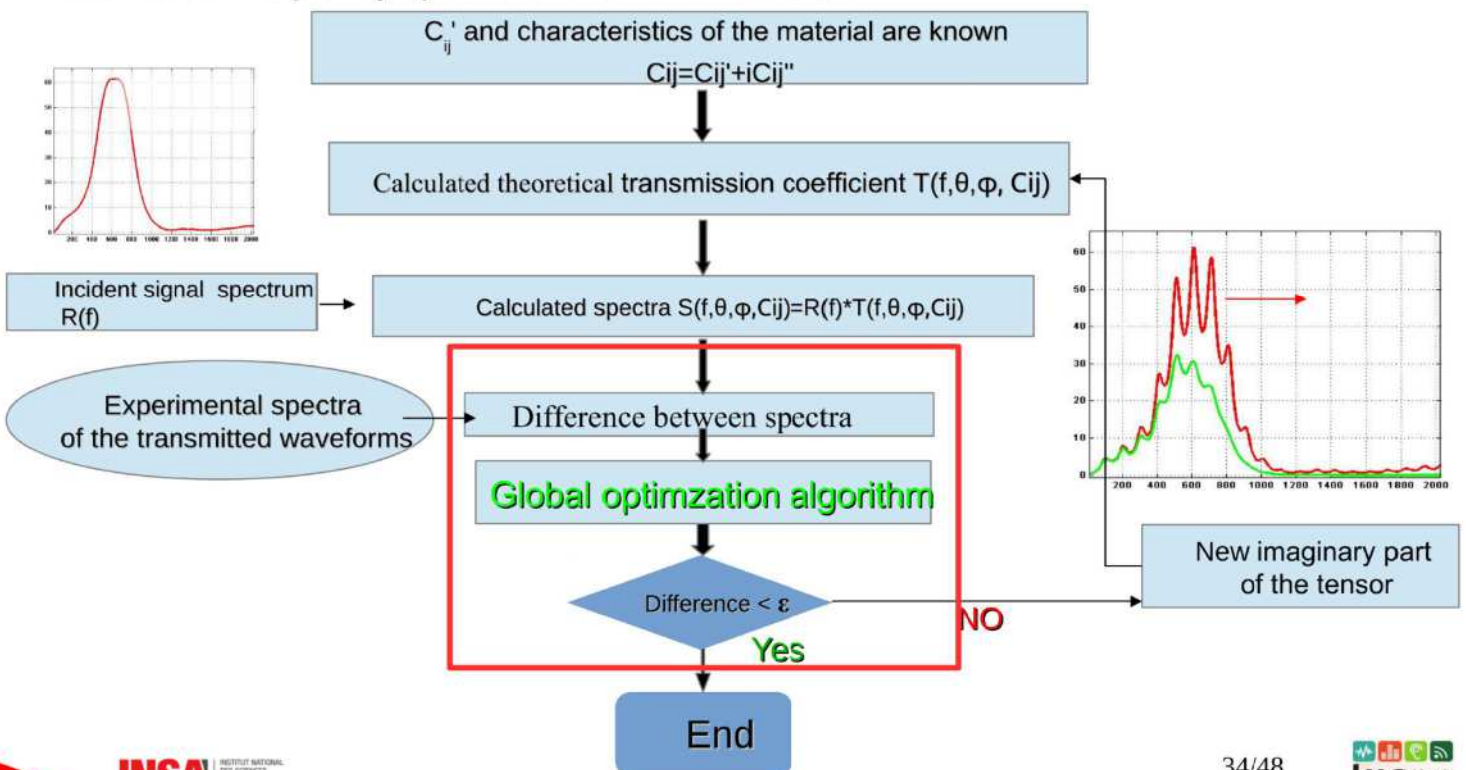
Regarding the inputs :

- Elastic moduli and orientations are not enough
- Ultrasonic Attenuation is also needed

echo dynamic
normalized amplitude

Attenuation measurement strategy

- Inverse problem resolution based on comparison between experimental and theoretical frequency spectra of the transmitted beam



Validation of the optimization algorithm on simulated data

Carbon epoxy composite **orthotropic** plate

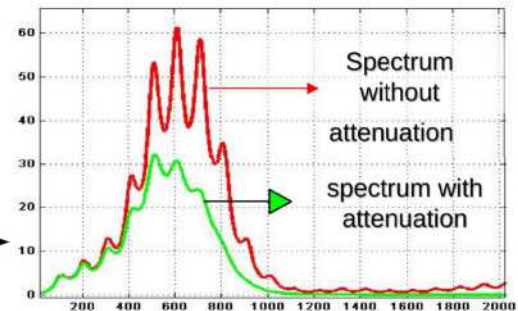
	C_{11}	C_{22}	C_{33}	C_{12}	C_{13}	C_{23}	C_{44}	C_{55}	C_{66}
C' (GPa)	12,1	12,3	132	5,5	5,9	6,9	6,15	98	77
η (GPa μ s)	0,043	0,037	0,400	0,021	0,016	0,001	0,02	0,015	0,009

Experimental condition :

- Density = 1500 (Kg/m³)
- Thickness = 3,434 mm
- Frequency = 2,242 MHz
- $C_{ij} = C'_{ij} + \eta_{ij} * 2 * \pi * f$

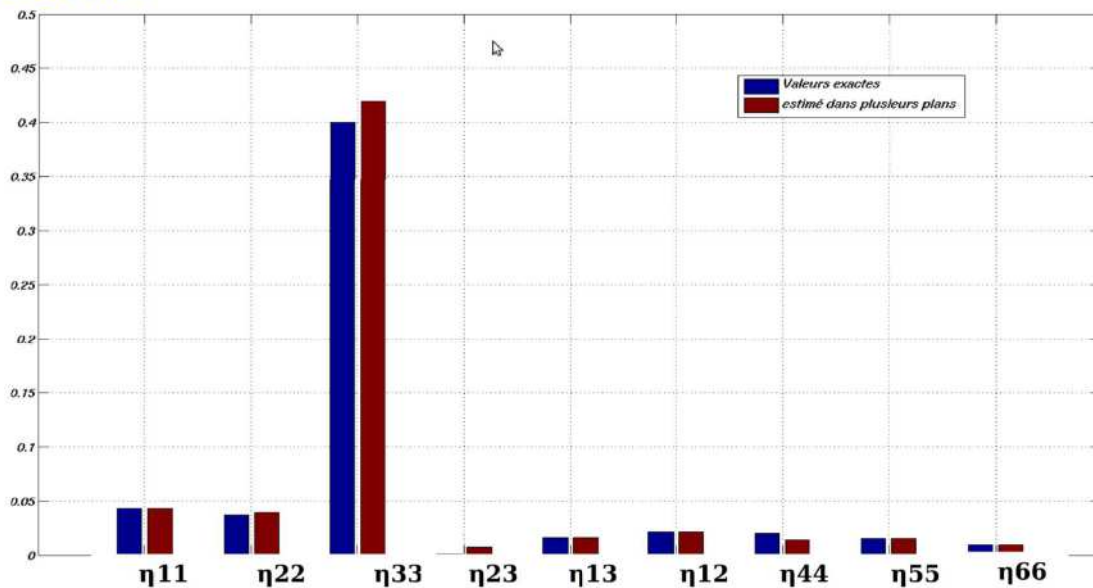
We simulate transmitted spectra in many incidence plane and angles

Plane : 30°, incidence 5°



Data from : Marc Deschamps and Bernard Hosten « The effects of viscoelasticity on the reflexion and transmission of ultrasonic waves by an orthotropic plate», Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 91(4, April 1992)

Simulation results using data from many planes and angles of incidence



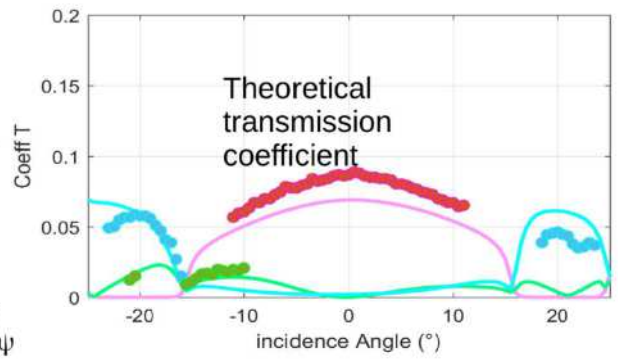
The parameters are obtained with a maximum error of 1% of the exact values

Complex C_{ij} estimation: Results @ 2.25 MHz

Imaginary parts

$$C_{ij} = C' + i C''$$

$$\begin{matrix}
 C_{11} & C_{12} & C_{13} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 C_{12} & C_{22} & C_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 C_{13} & C_{23} & C_{33} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & C_{44} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C_{55} & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C_{66}
 \end{matrix}
 + i
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 C_{12} & C_{22} & C_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
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 0 & 0 & 0 & C_{44} & 0 & 0 \\
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 \end{matrix}
 + \text{Rotations } \varphi, \theta, \psi$$



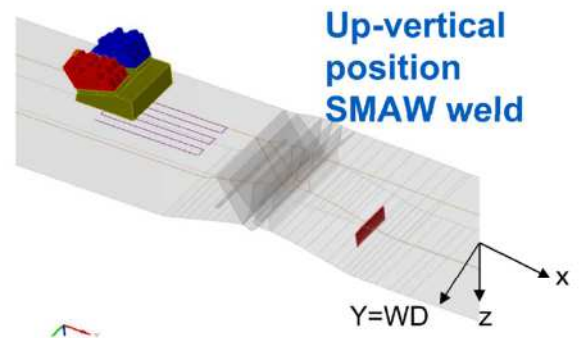
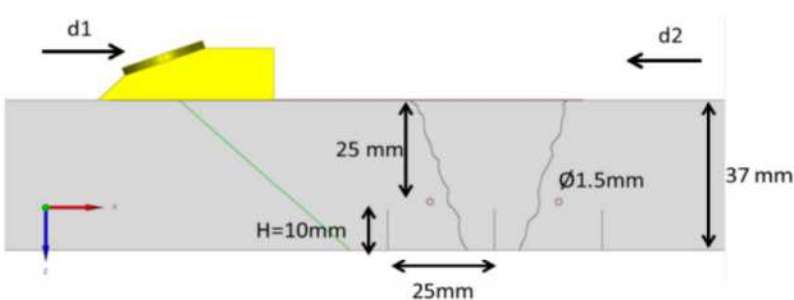
Average values for the 4 samples

	C_{11}	C_{22}	C_{33}	C_{23}	C_{13}	C_{12}	C_{44}	C_{55}	C_{66}	
C'	254	240	232	137	144	123	107	106	78	(GPa)
C''	7,3	11,4	14,8	4,2	7,7	1,4	1,8	0,7	0,1	(GPa)

Results to be validated

UT experiment

Calibrated flaws (Side drilled holes, notches) machined in welded mock-ups

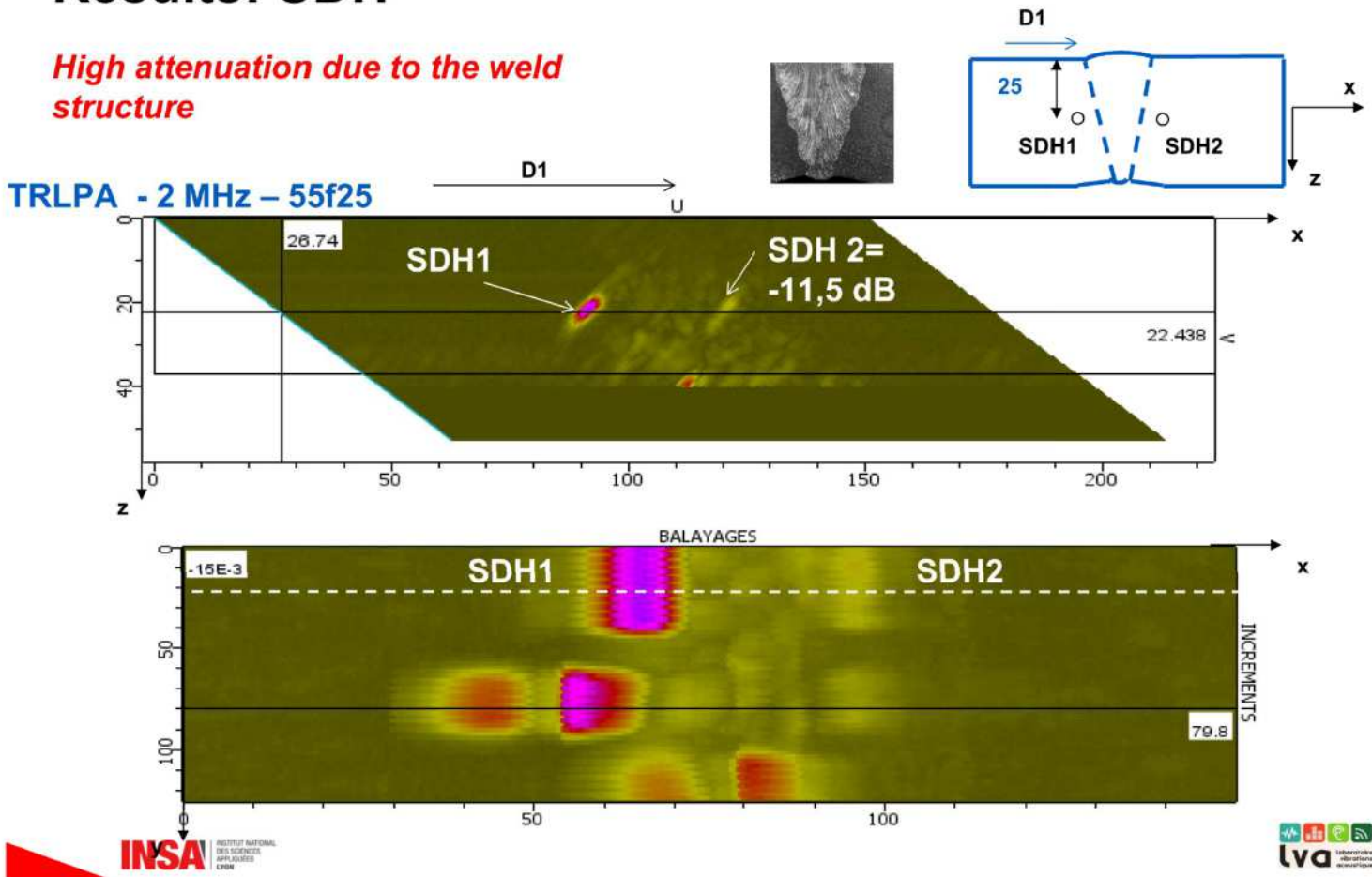


Inspections in automatic mode:

- Standard single-element probes and TRL phased arrays
- Longitudinal waves
- Two directions of inspection
- Influential parameters:
 - **Beam angle**
 - **Beam focusing**
 - **Frequency**

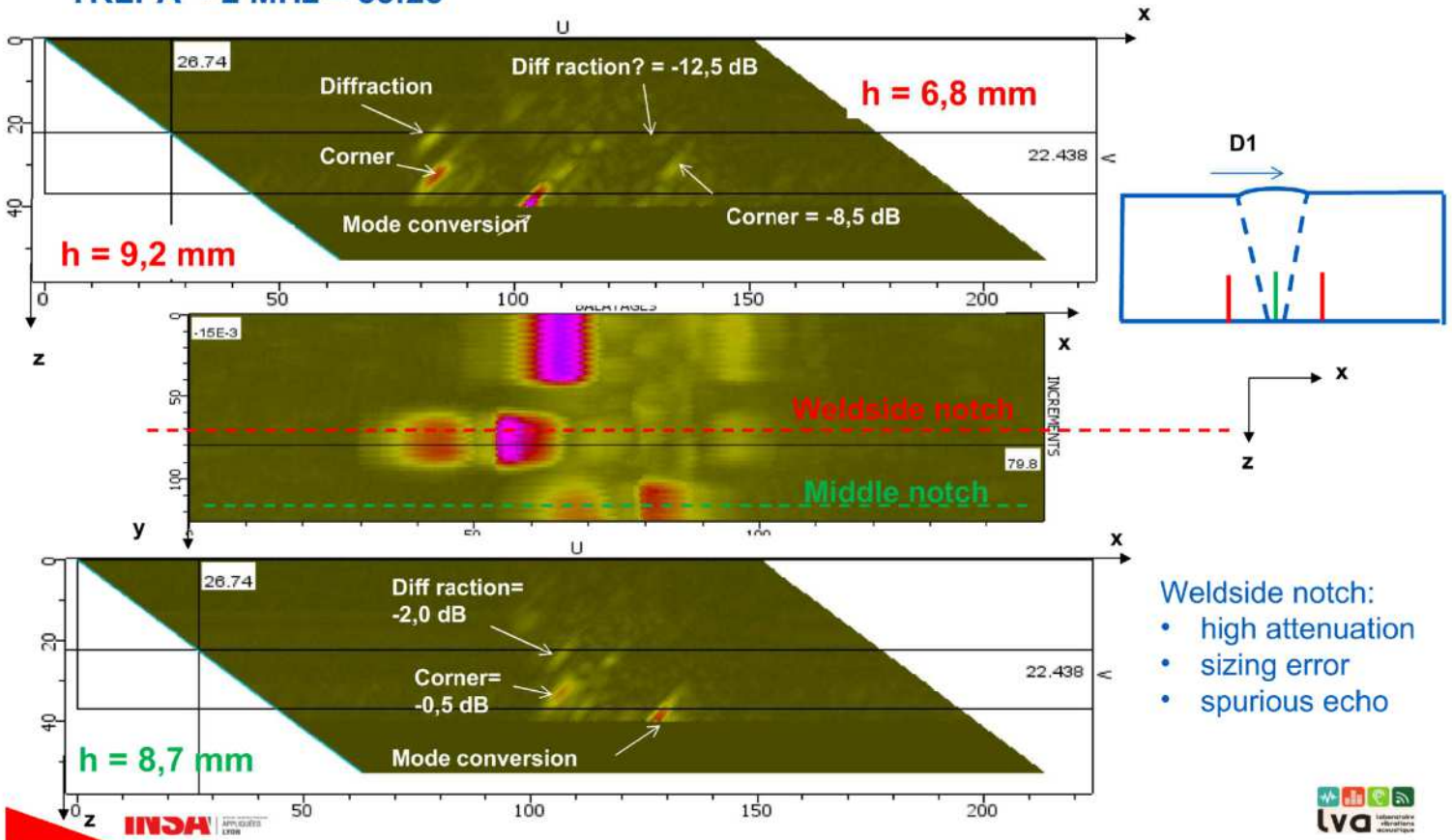
Results: SDH

High attenuation due to the weld structure



Results: notches

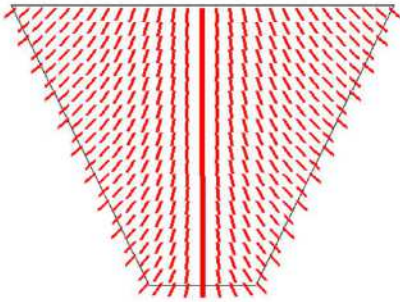
TRLPA - 2 MHz - 55f25



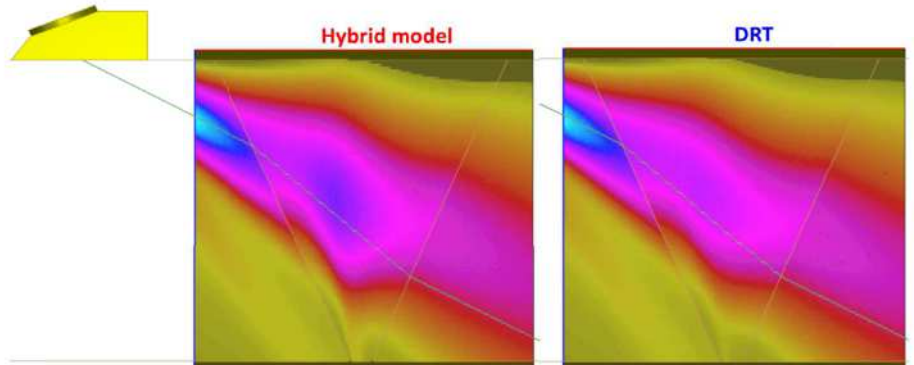
- Weldside notch:
- high attenuation
 - sizing error
 - spurious echo

UT modelling: CIVA

- ◆ **Current model : limitation when $\lambda \approx$ anisotropic domain size**
- ◆ **Solution: smoothly inhomogeneous weld description**
 - From macrography, analytical model or MINA model
- ◆ **Dynamic (paraxial) Ray Tracing model (DRT) :**
 - Implementation of paraxial quantities in semi-analytical models (pencil method)



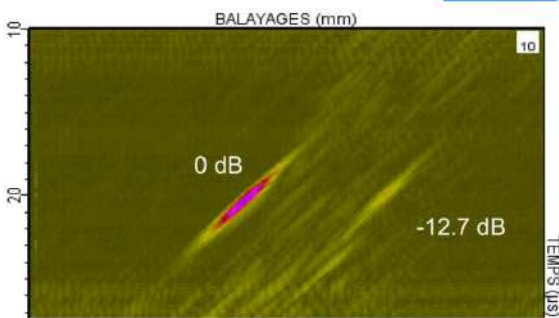
Smoothly inhomogeneous weld description



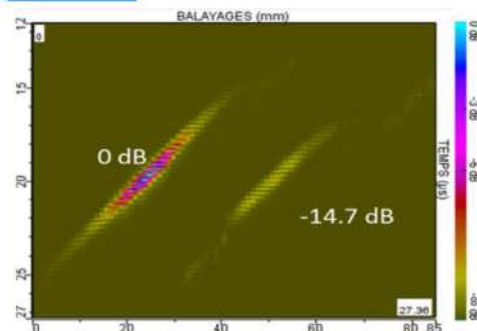
N. Leymarie et al, BINDT, 2013

Austenitic welds: modelling results

- ◆ **CIVA DRT Results**
 - 2D attenuation model



Experiment

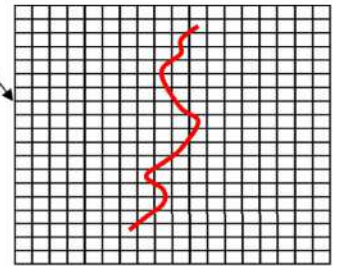
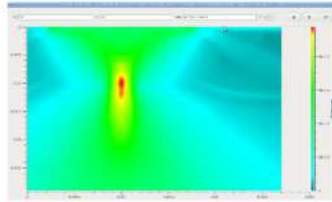
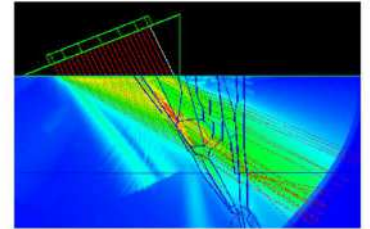


CIVA DRT (2D attenuation model)

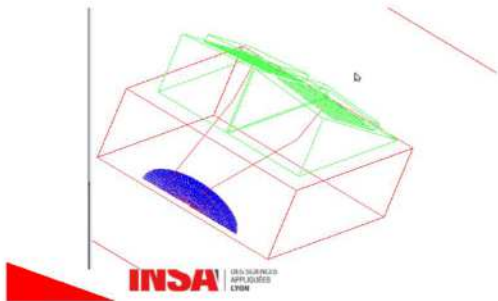
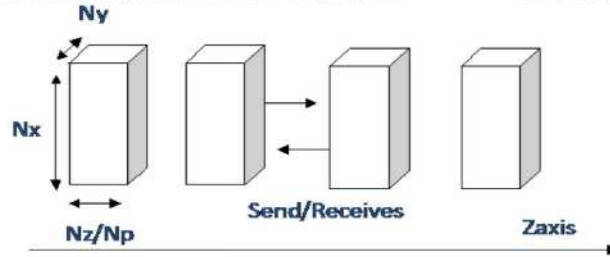
- ◆ Good estimation of weld attenuation for each direction and each flaw (SDH, notch): discrepancy < 3 dB
- ◆ Empirical adjustment of parameters for weld structure smoothing: influence to be analyzed

UT Modelling: FE code ATHENA

- ◆ Quasi-explicit scheme and regular mesh : **good numerical performances**
- ◆ Beam propagation in anisotropic and heterogeneous media
- ◆ Beam to flaw interaction (fictitious domain method)
- ◆ 2D version
 - Various probe types (TOFD, phased arrays,...)
 - Coupled with CIVAv11 (2012)
 - Attenuation model
 - GUI
- ◆ 3D needs :
 - 3D probe (TRL PA)
 - 3D flaw (elliptical)
 - 3D anisotropy

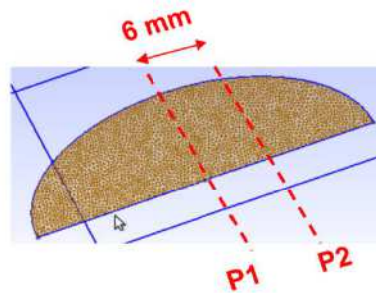
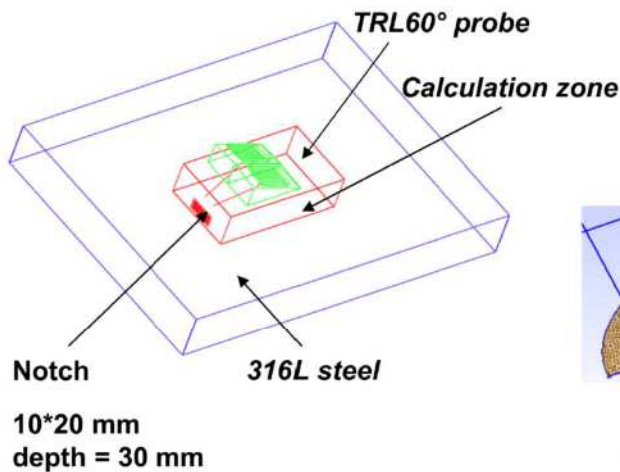


Parallelization of 3D version

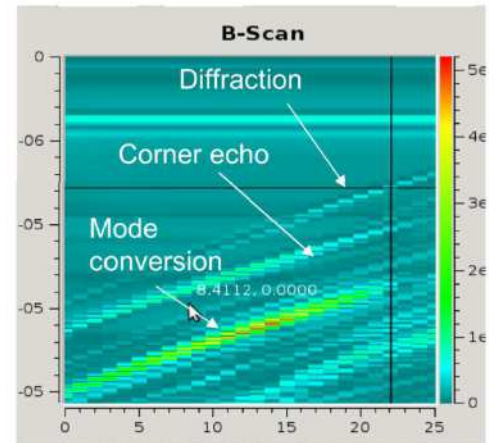


ATHENA 3D: results in isotropic and homogeneous medium

C. Rose et al, 10th AFPAC



Flaw meshing (GMSH)

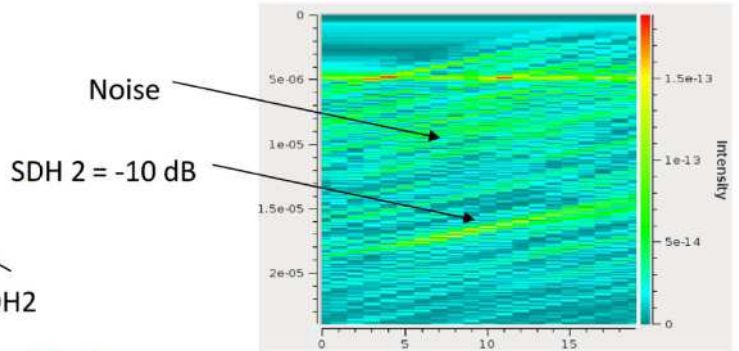
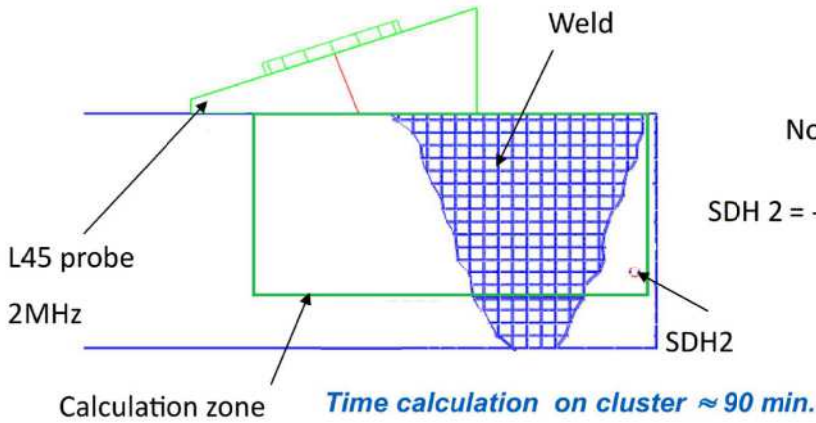


Reference = SDH 1 mm-radius

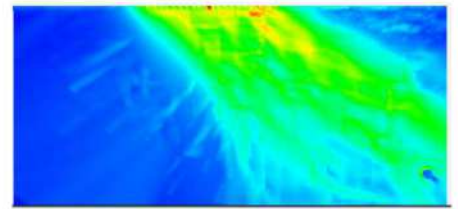
	Diffraction (dB)		
	Rectangular	½ elliptical – P1	½ elliptical – P2
ATHENA 3D	-9.0	-12.0	-17.5
Experiment	-8.0	-12.0	-16.5

ATHENA3D: austenitic welds

Example : vertical-up SMAW



- ▶ Prediction of beam division and distortion
- ▶ Prediction of scattering at each domain interface but underestimation of attenuation and overestimation of noise:
 - ▶ New calculations with 3D attenuation model using INSA characterization work to be performed
 - ▶ Influence of weld description and uncertainties on input data to be analyzed: **sensitivity analysis**



Hybrid CIVA/ATHENA : 3D version

- ▶ Previous work (MOHYCAN project) : 2D version (CIVA11)
- ▶ MOSAICS :
 - 3D version with optimized model (reduction of FE box)
 - Calculation on HPC clusters
 - Validation on isotropic medium (ongoing)

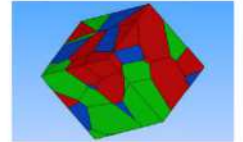


$\varnothing_{SDH} = 1.5\text{mm}$
 Depth = 10 and 20mm
 Focused immersion probe (2MHz)
 EF box: $5.6 \times 12 \times 5.6\text{mm}^3$

	$\Delta A - L0$	$\Delta A - L55$
ATHENA 3D	+15.0 dB	-4.0 dB
CIVA 3D	+15.5 dB	-2.5 dB
HYBRID 3D	+14.5 dB	-3.0 dB

Conclusion and prospects

- ▶ Metallurgical characterization realized on various welded mock-ups
- ▶ **Inversion process for unknown structure to be developed and validated**
- ▶ Experimental database for code validation
- ▶ Simulation:
 - Specific developments on CIVA and ATHENA codes to take into account complex 3D configurations (material, probe, geometry, flaw)
 - **First validation for « 2.5 » extruded weld : to be continued**
 - **Code adaptation for real 3D anisotropic and heterogeneous structures**



- **Implementation of a 3D attenuation model based on ultrasonic characterization**

$$\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial t} + D\sigma = C\varepsilon(v) \quad \rightarrow \quad \bar{C} = i\omega(i\omega + D)^{-1}C$$

- **3D Hybrid model : validation on isotropic media and adaptation to weld configuration**

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