

# Examples of the use of ultra high speed cameras for full-field strain measurements in high strain rate testing

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- **High speed imaging**
  - **Single CMOS sensor**
  - **Frame rate < 10 kHz for 1 Mpixel**
  - **Good quality images, affordable**
  
- **Ultra high speed imaging**
  - **1 MHz range for 1 Mpixel**
  - **Limitation on speed: data transfer**
  - **Two strategies**
    - ◆ **Multi-sensors**
    - ◆ **On-chip memory**
  - **Expensive**
  - **Metrological issues**

- **Present three case studies with three different cameras**
  - IMACON 200 (multisensor), DRS (similar cameras at showcase, eg Specialized Imaging)
  - CORDIN 550-62 (multi-sensor)
  - SHIMADZU HPV-1
  
- **Evaluate metrological performances**
  
- **Show examples of quantitative full-field measurement**
  - Digital image correlation
  - Grid method

## CASE STUDY 1

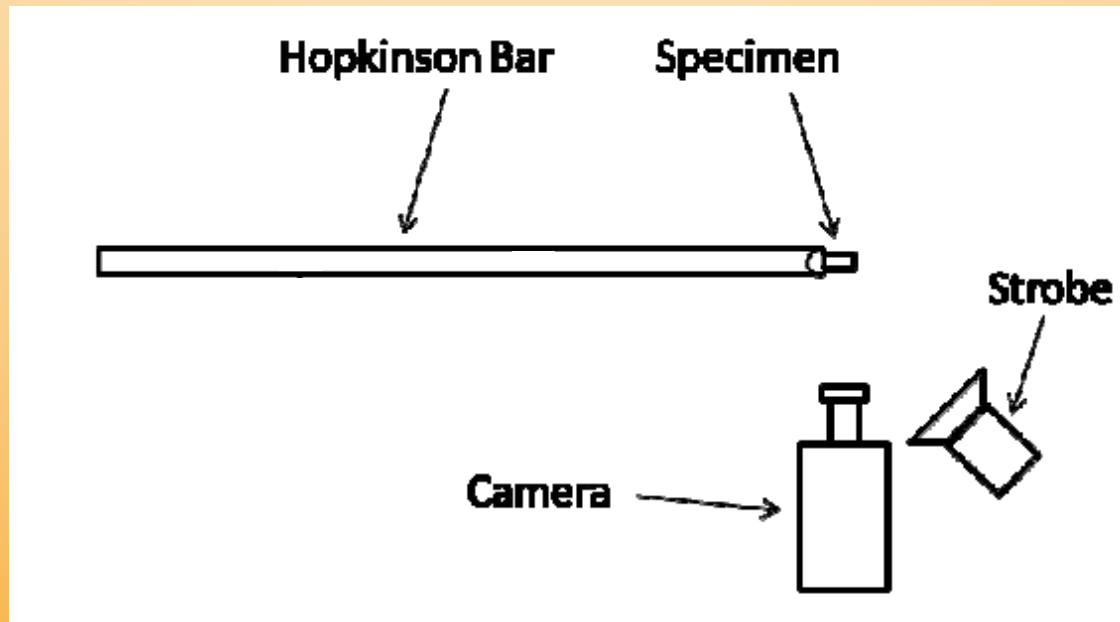
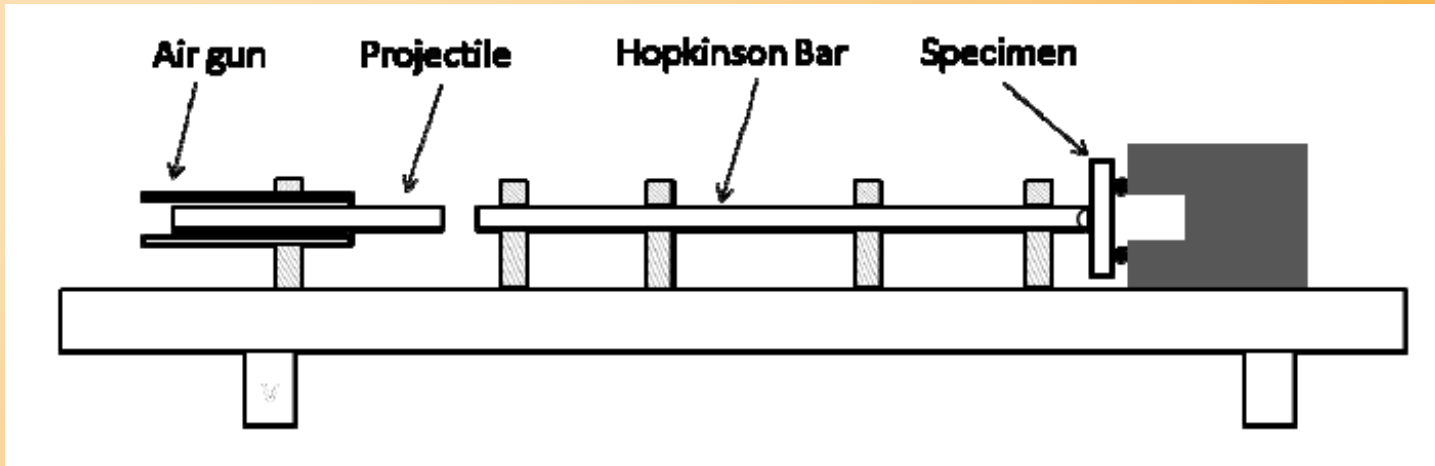
### Three-point bending on an aluminium bar

### IMACON 200 camera

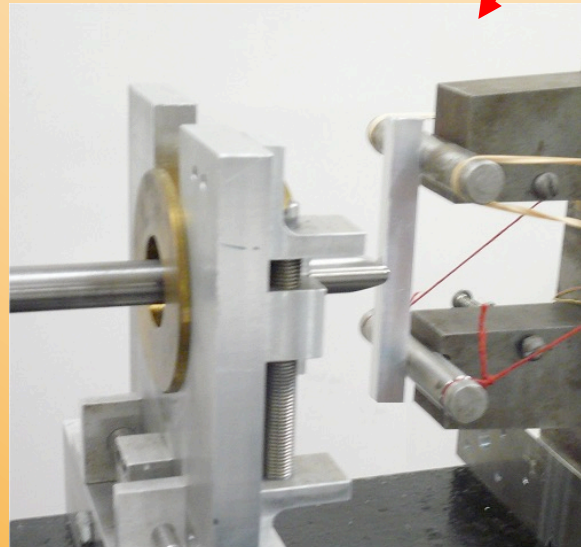
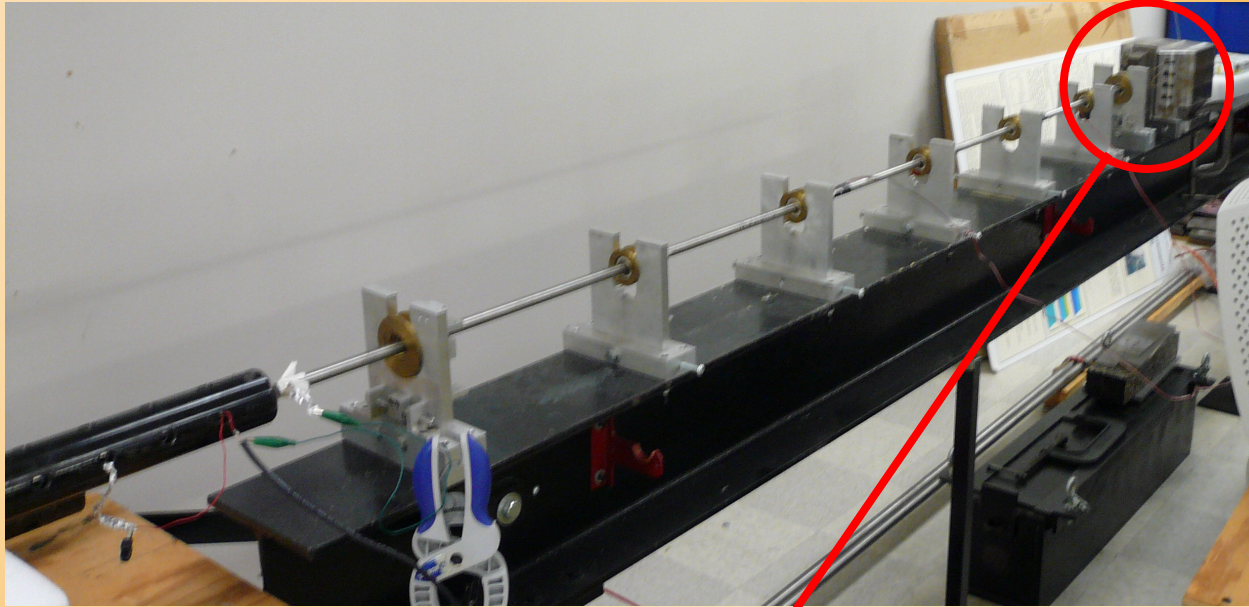
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**Dr Vikrant TIWARI**



# Test set-up

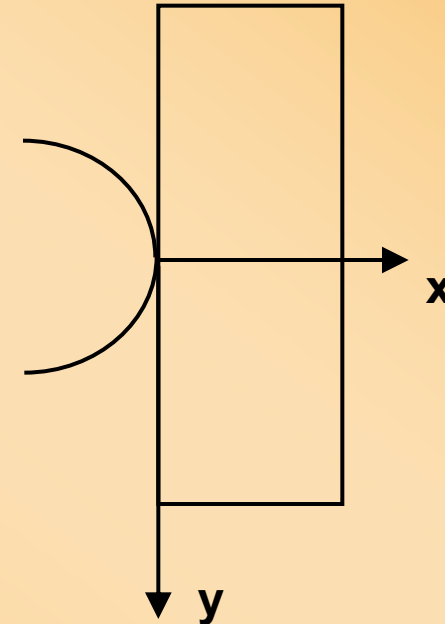
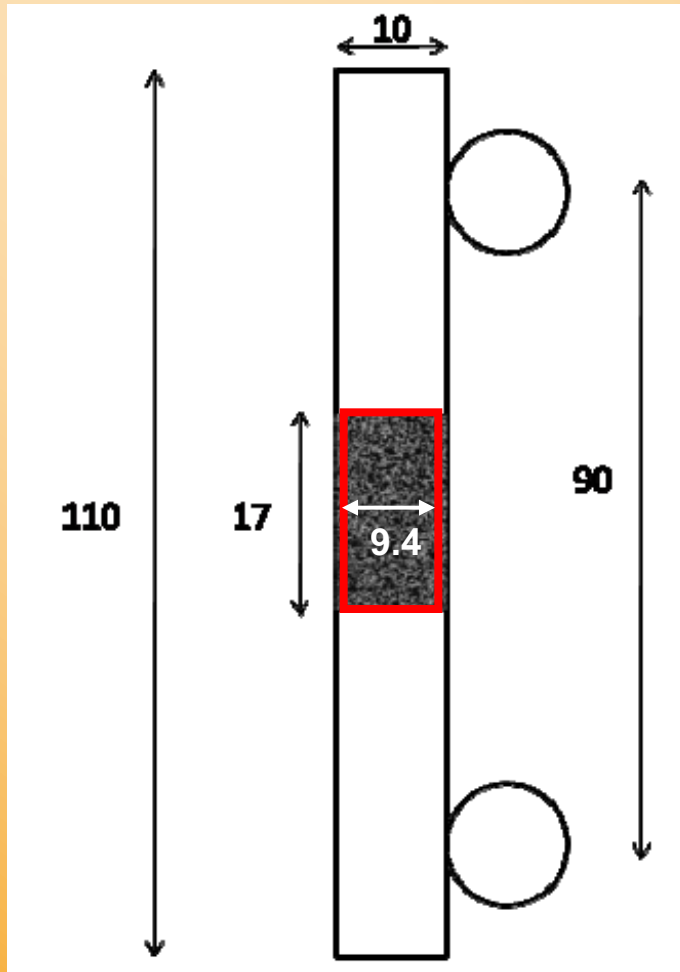


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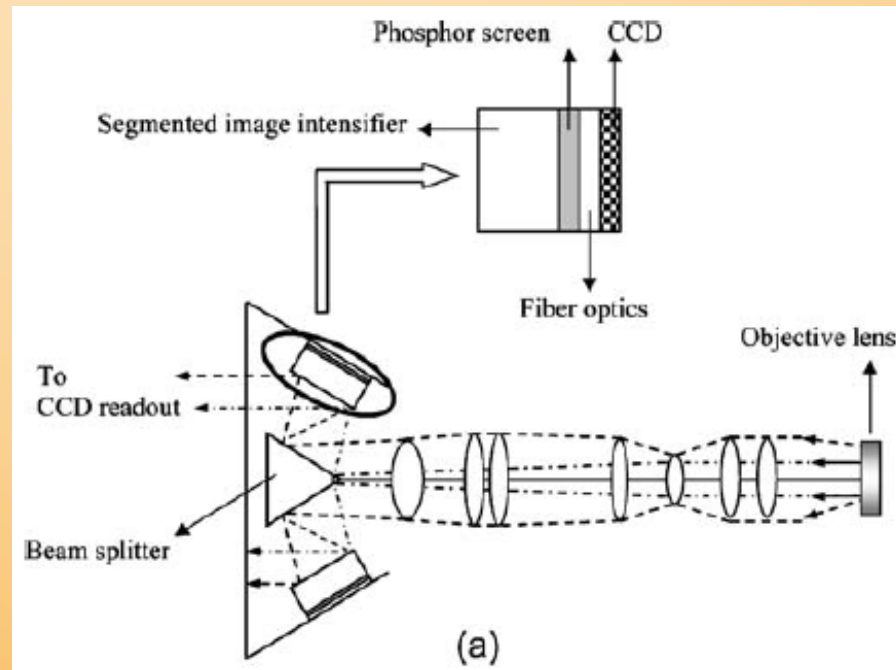
F. Pierron - BSSM high speed imaging showcase 2010

- Test specimen: aluminium (dimensions in mm)



## ● Camera technology

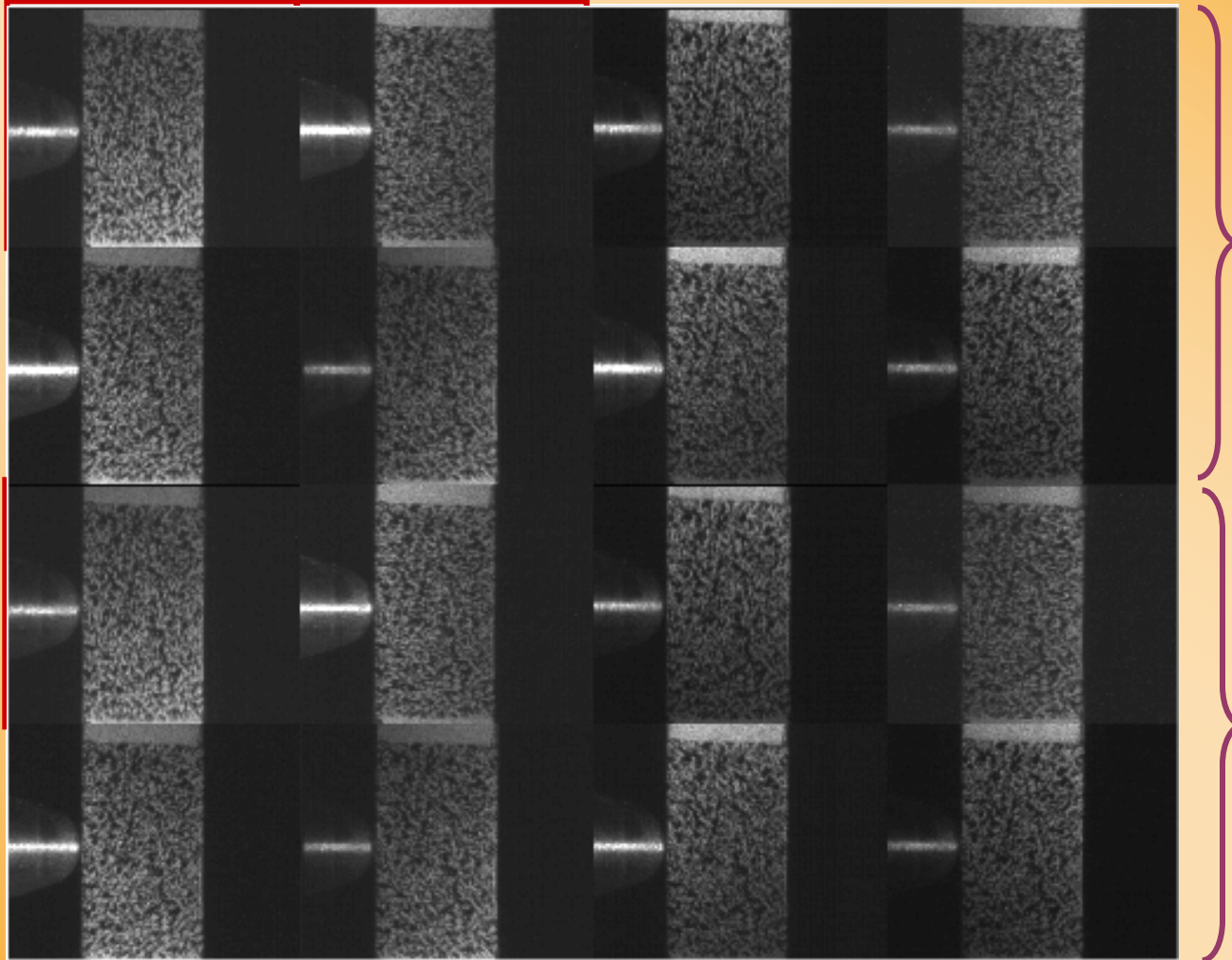
- 8 CCD sensors, static beam splitting
- Light amplifiers (phosphor screens)
- Frame rate: up to 200 MHz, 1k x 1k pixels, 16 images



Tiwari V, Sutton MA, McNeill SR (2007) Assessment of high speed imaging systems for 2D and 3D deformation measurements: methodology development and validation. *Exp Mech.* 47(4):561–579



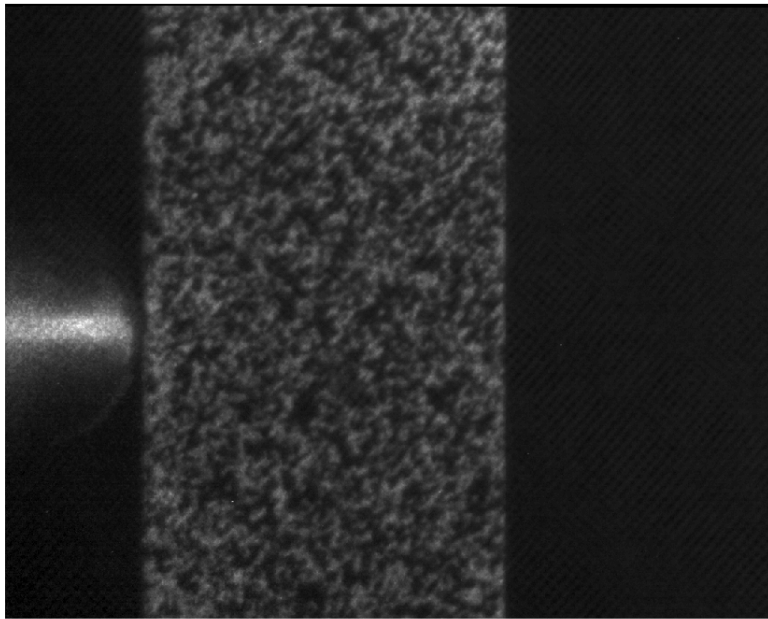
## ● Still images



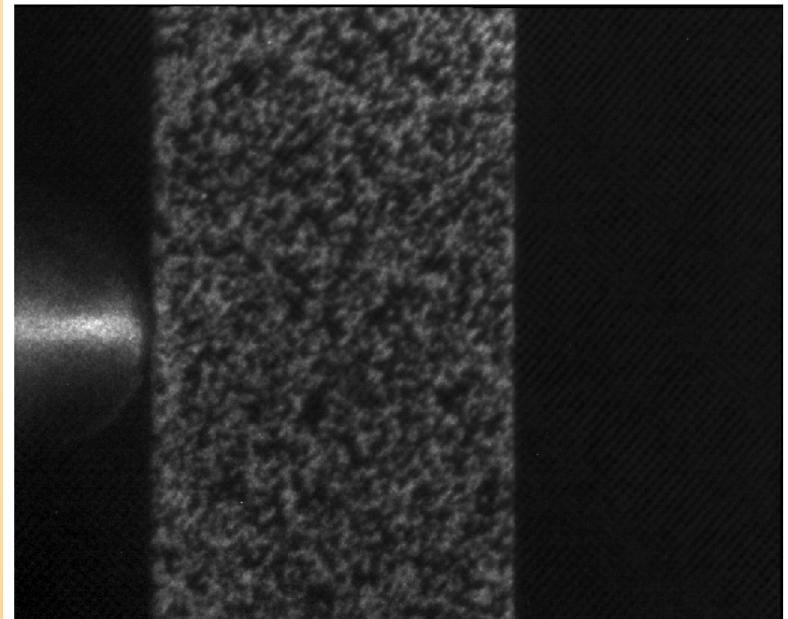
- **Still images**

- Flat field correction
- Correlate images from a set of still images (reference)

Still image number 8



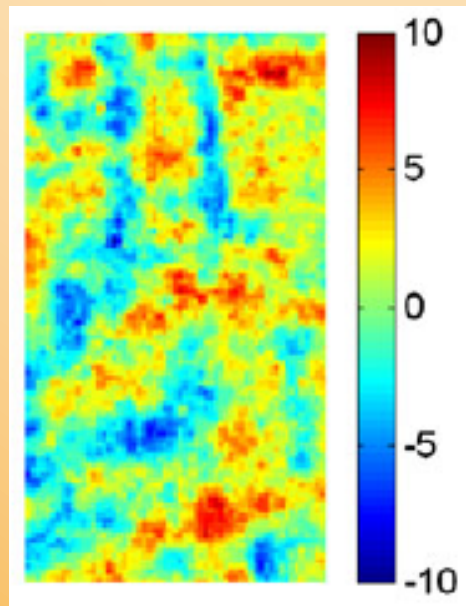
Still image number 16



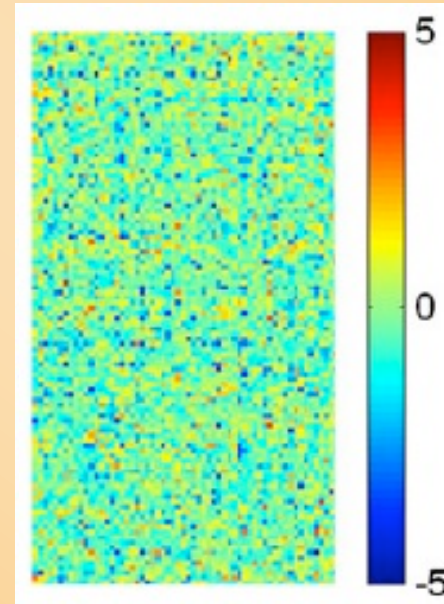
- **Resolution in displacement**
  - 2 sets of still images at 100000 fps
  - 31 pixels subset, shift of 5
  - Resolution (standard deviation of obtained displacements)
    - ◆ Without smoothing: ~ 0.18 pixels
    - ◆ Diffuse approximation, radius of 24 pts : ~ 0.1 pixels (<0.01 pixel for standard cameras)
- **Resolution in strain**
  - Without smoothing: ~ 1.2%
  - With smoothing: ~ 0.1%

## ● Noise

- Two still images, grey level difference (% of dynamic range)
- Same number of pixels
- Spatially correlated noise: light amplifiers



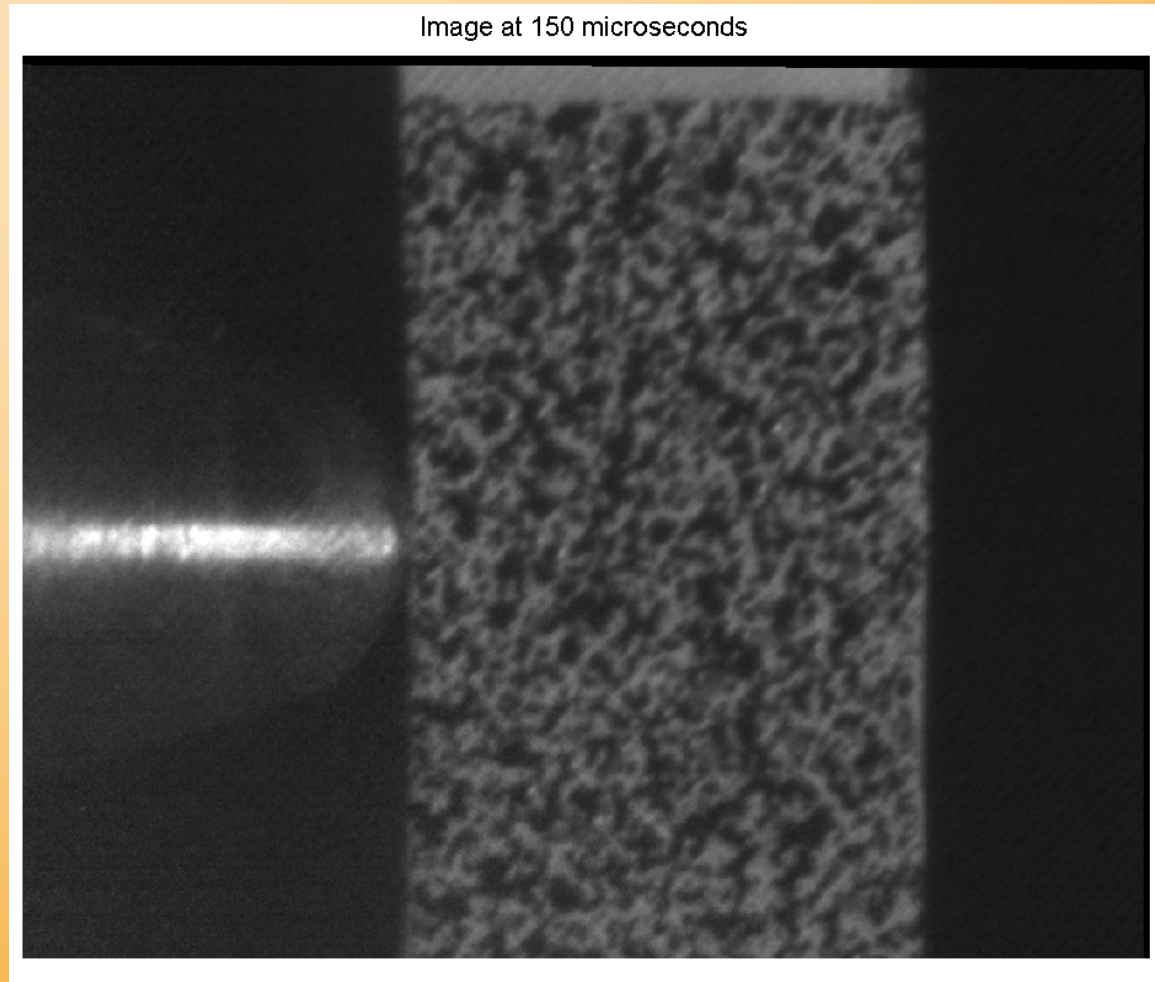
**IMACON 200**



**Photron SA5**

**Zoom in**

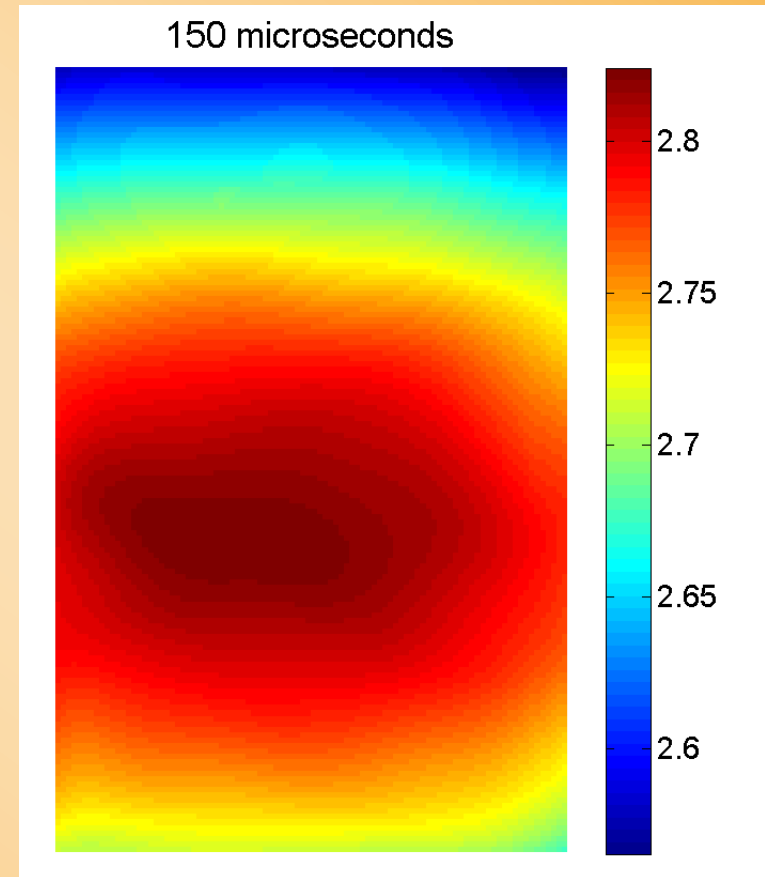
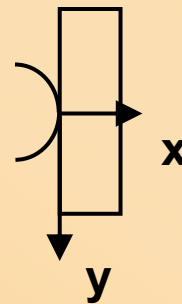
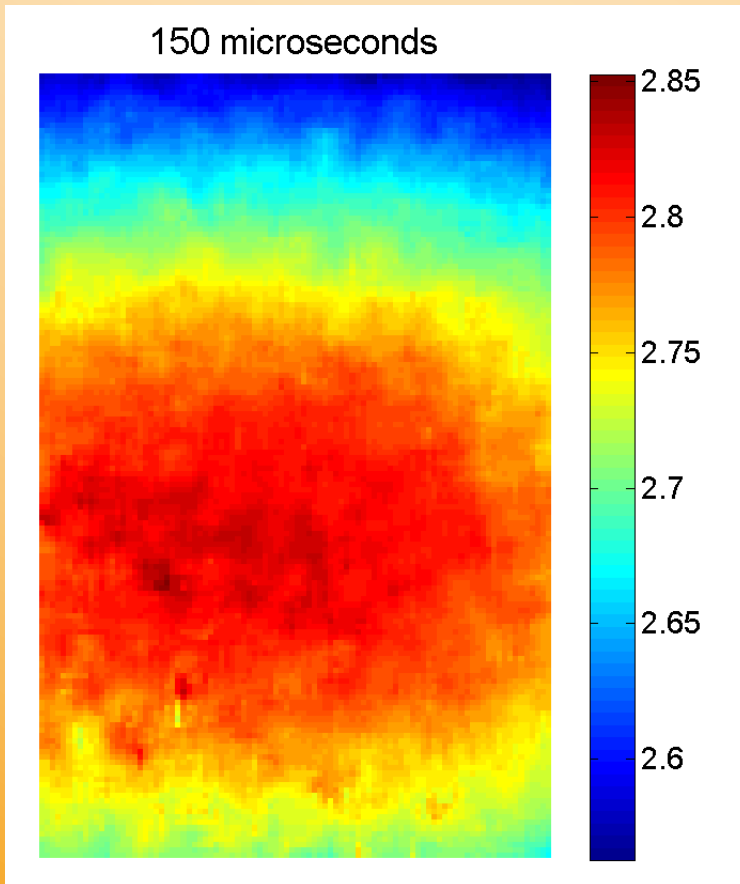
## ● Grey level images



## ● Displacement map: $u_x$ in mm

Raw

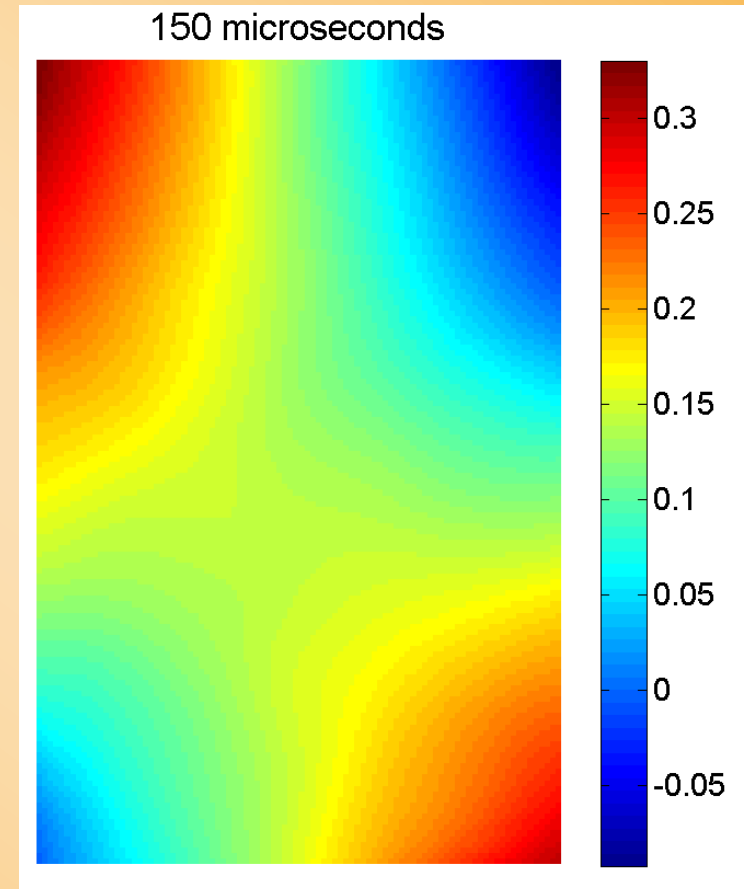
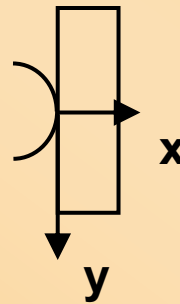
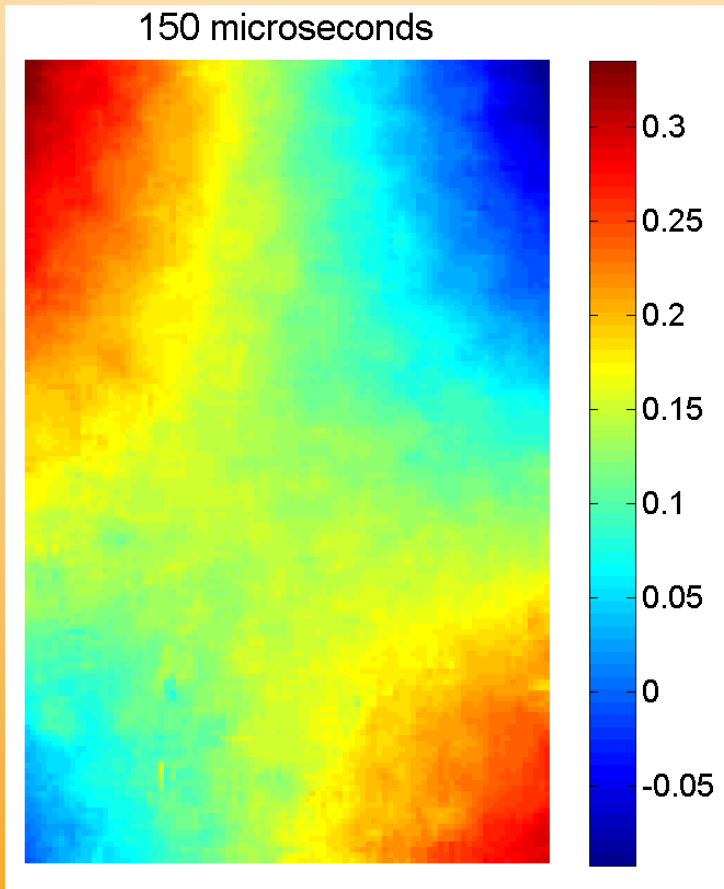
DA Smoothed (R=24)



● Displacement map:  $u_y$  in mm

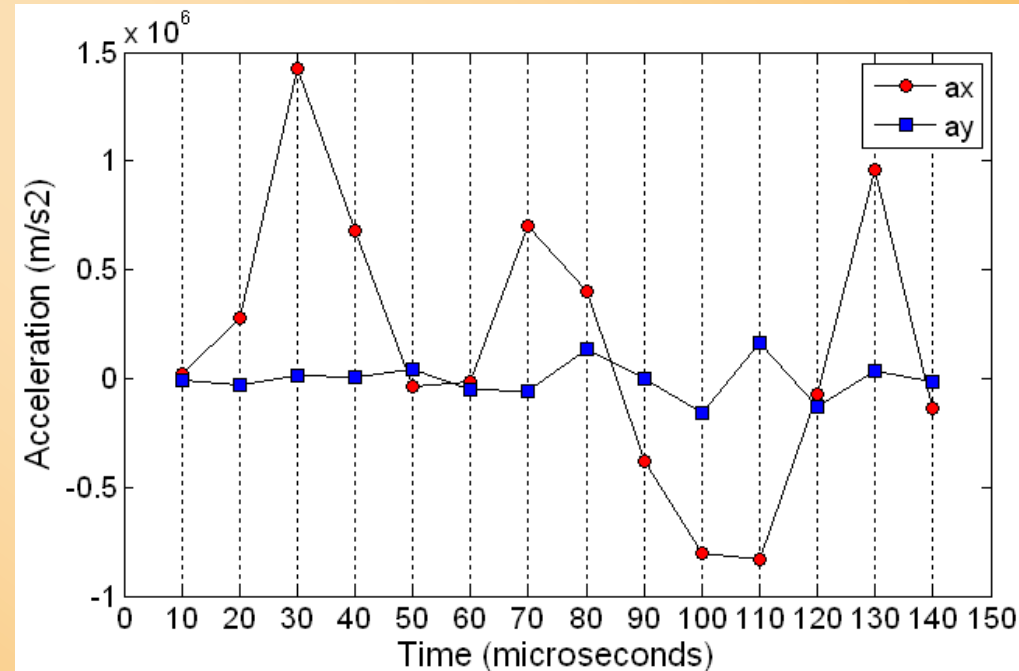
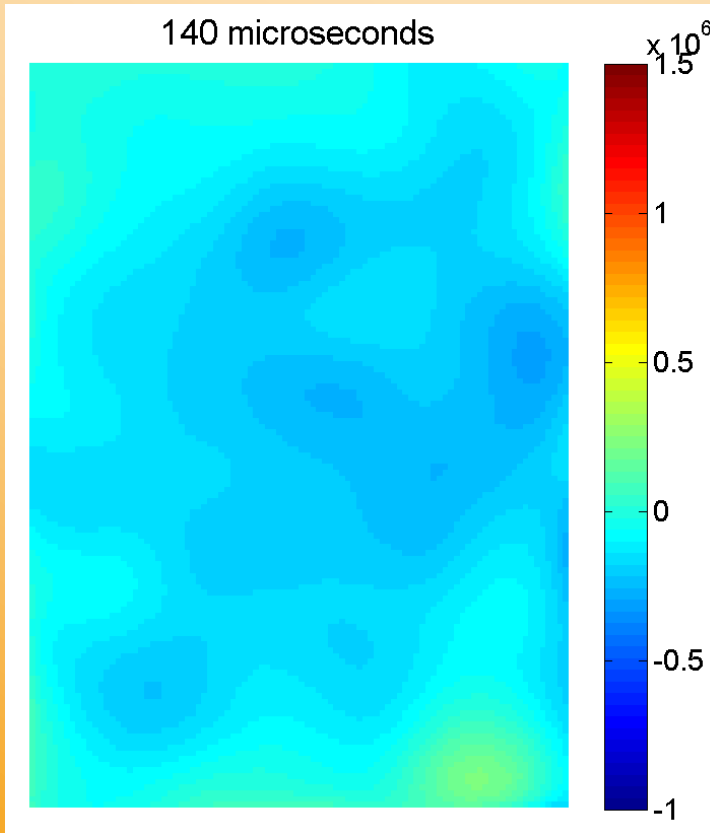
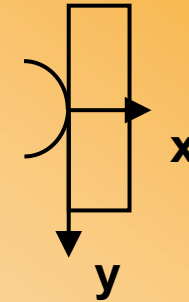
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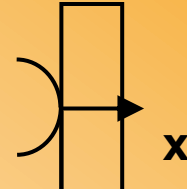
● Acceleration map:  $a_x$  in  $m.s^{-2}$

$$a_{\alpha}(t) = \frac{u_{\alpha}(t + \Delta t) + u_{\alpha}(t - \Delta t) - 2u_{\alpha}(t)}{\Delta t^2}$$

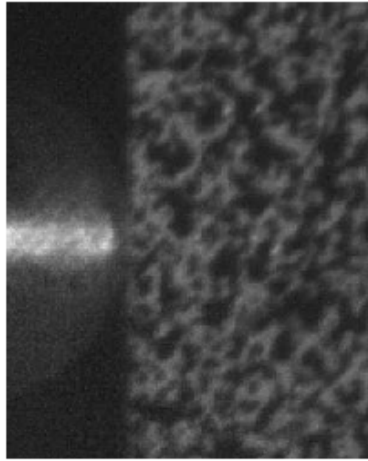


Average acceleration

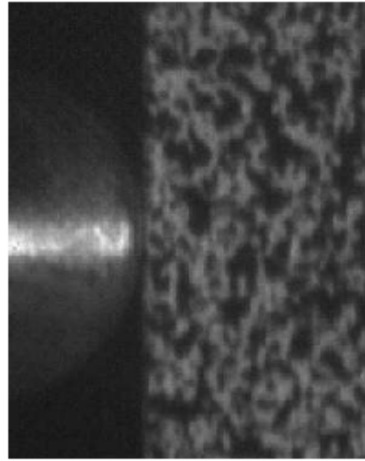




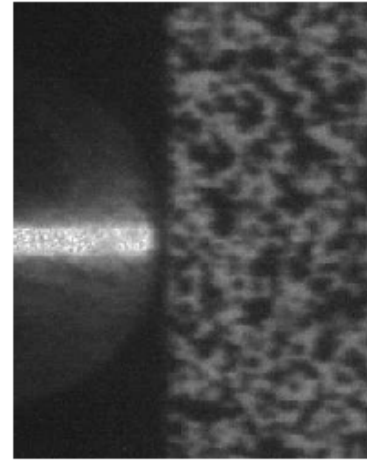
## ● Acceleration and speed



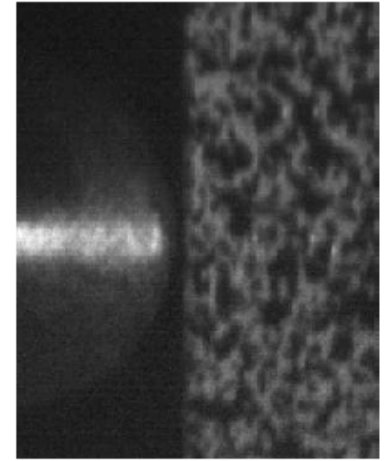
(A) 70  $\mu$ s



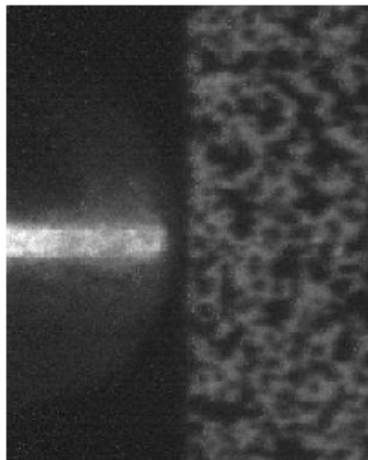
(B) 80  $\mu$ s



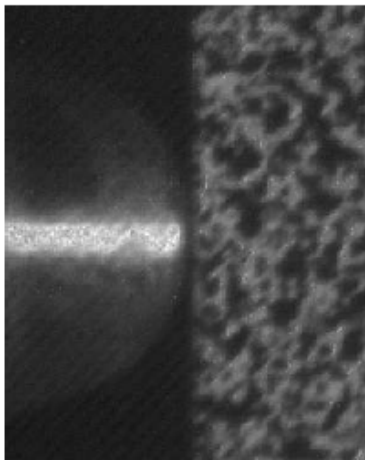
(C) 90  $\mu$ s



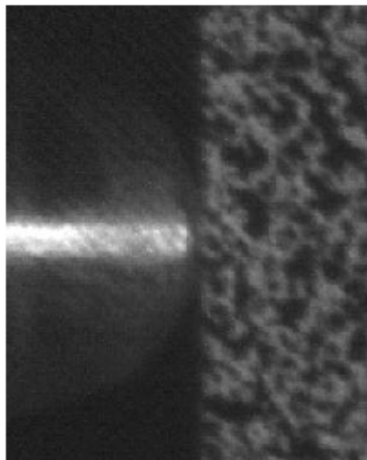
(D) 100  $\mu$ s



(E) 110  $\mu$ s



(F) 120  $\mu$ s



(G) 130  $\mu$ s

## ● Complete analysis and results

- Reconstruction of impact force from shear strains
- Calculation of inertial force
- Consistent with deformation

Pierron F., Sutton M., Tiwari V.,  
Ultra high speed DIC and Virtual Fields Method analysis of a three  
point bending impact test on an aluminium bar,  
***Experimental Mechanics*, 2010. Available online.**

## CASE STUDY 2

### Tensile test on a composite specimen

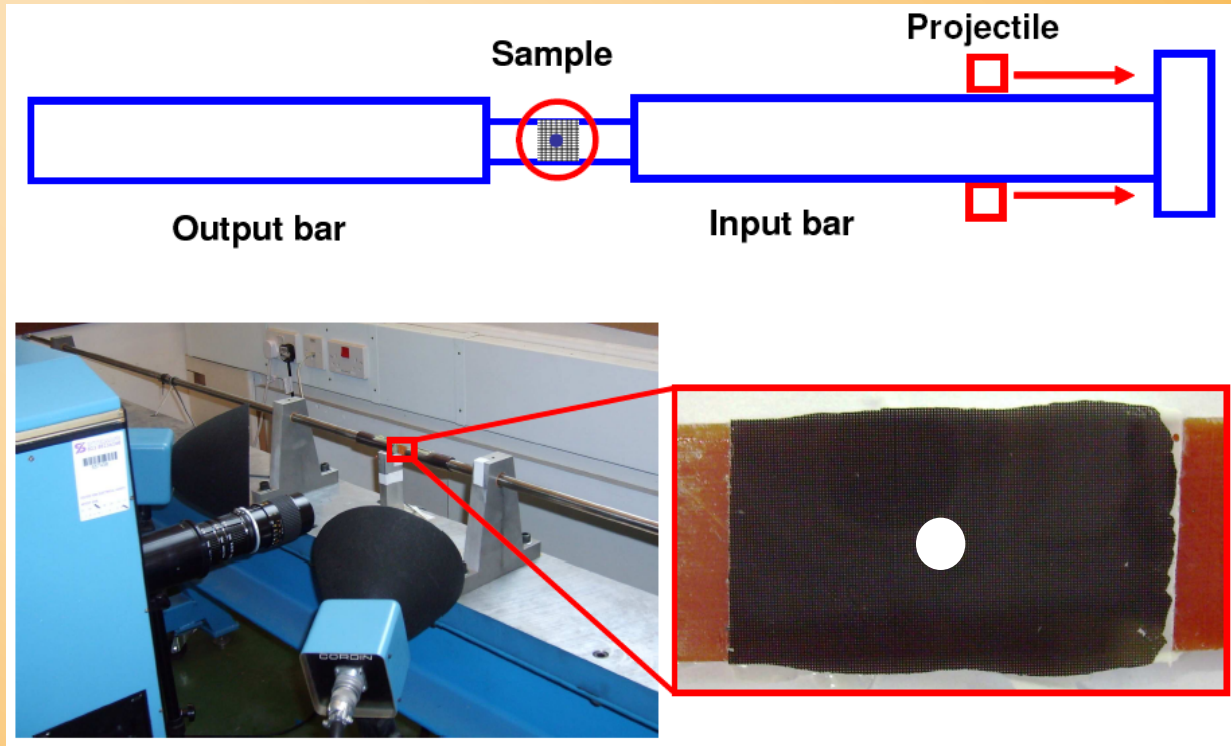
### Cordin 550-62 camera

**Dr Raphaël MOULART**

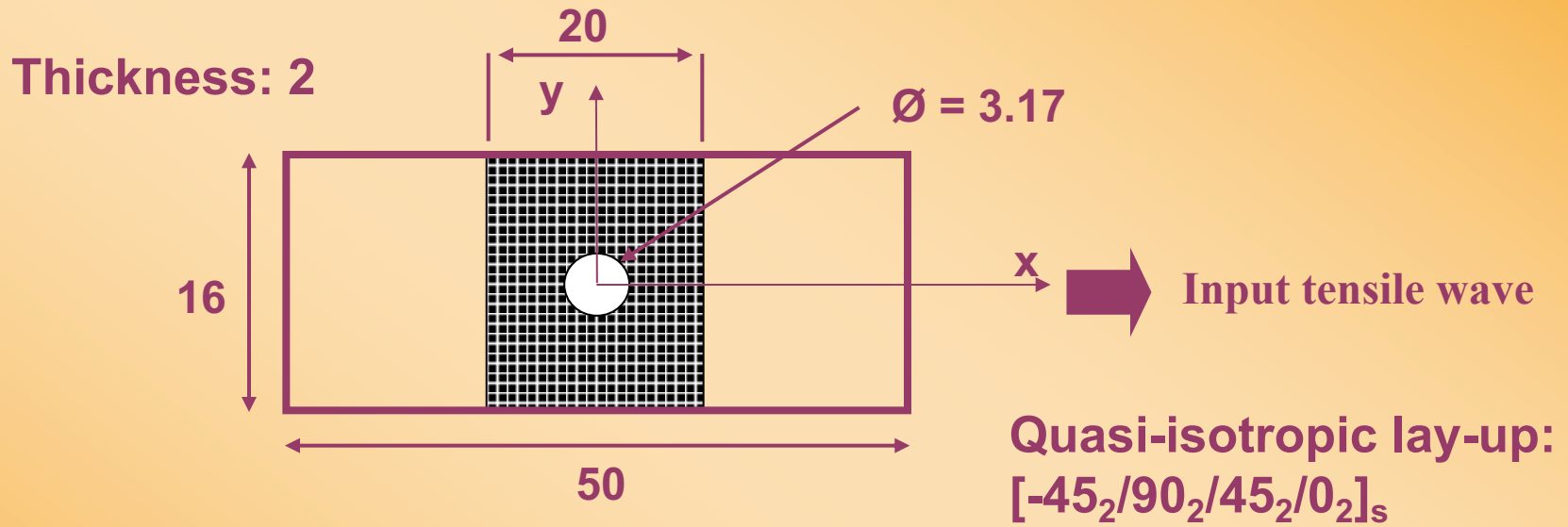


**Prof. Michael R. WISNOM**  
**Dr Stephen R. Hallett**



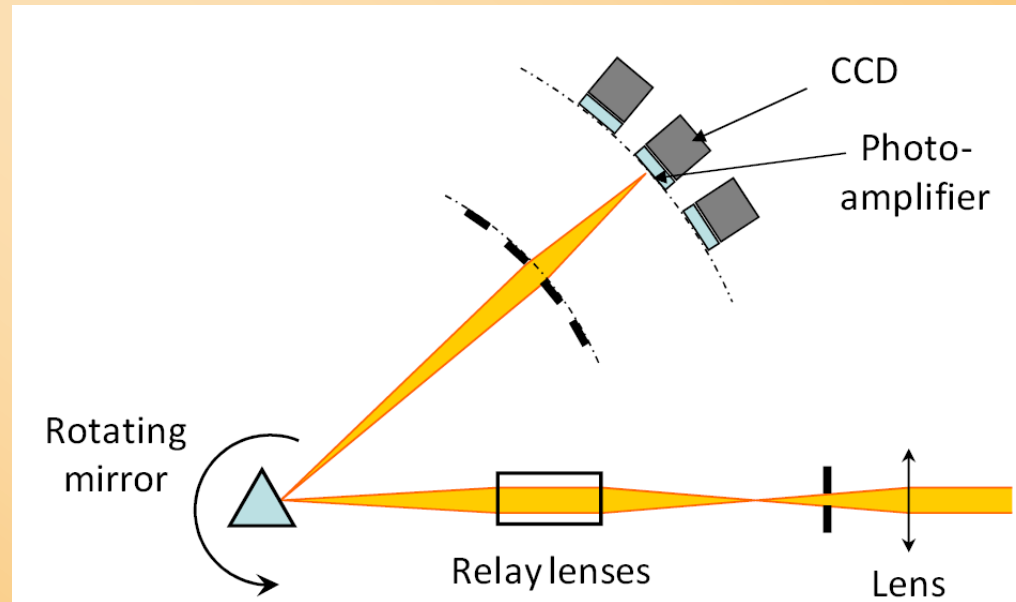


- Test specimen: glass-epoxy composite, with and without hole



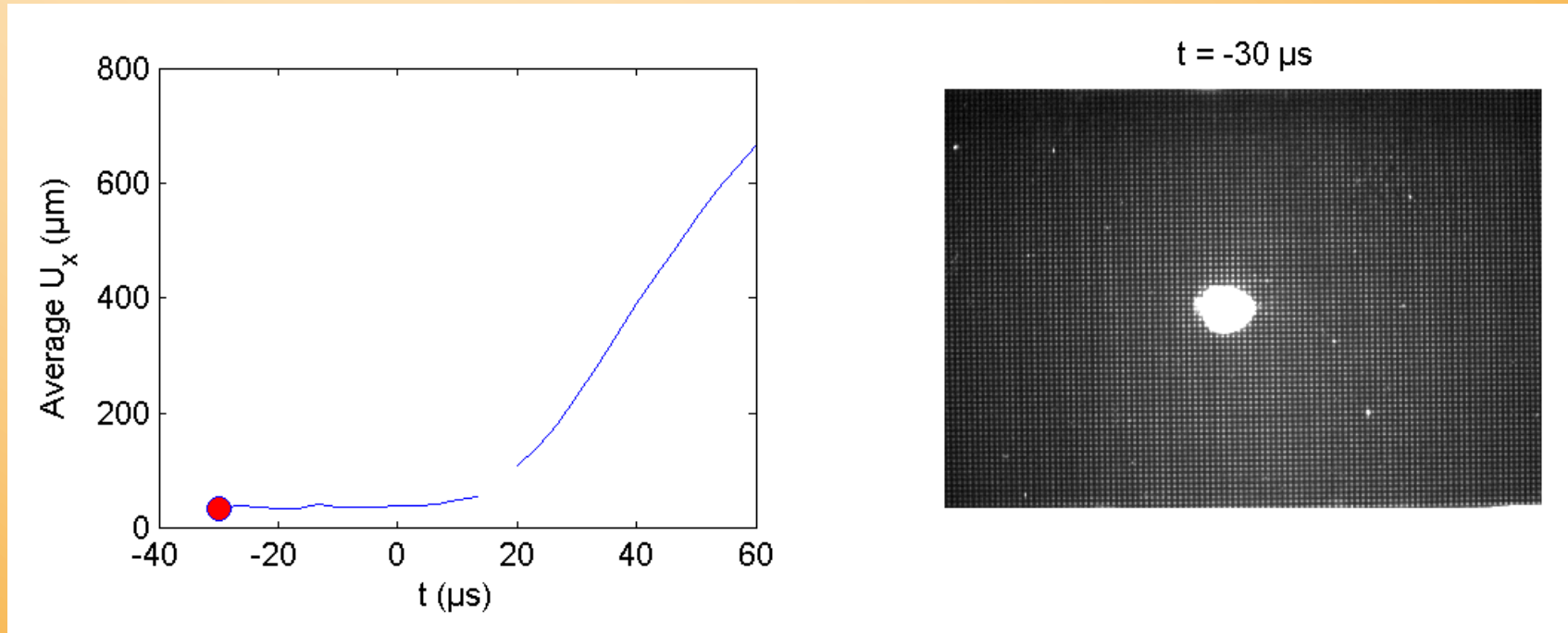
- Cross-line grid: 200  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch
  - Transferred onto specimen
  - Displacements obtained by spatial phase shifting
  - 9 pixels per period

- **Ultra high speed camera: Cordin 550-62**

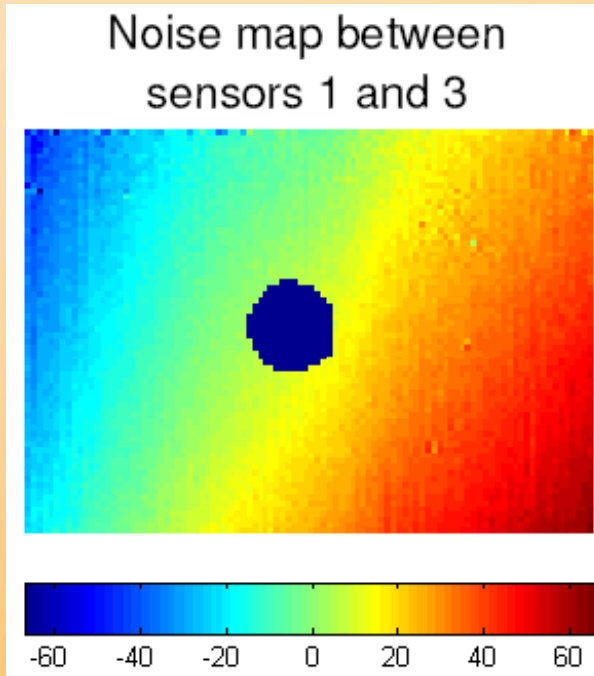


- **Time resolution: 3.3  $\mu$ s (300.000 fps) – light issues**
  - **Maximum frame rate: 4 Mfps!**
- **Spatial resolution: 1 Mpixel**

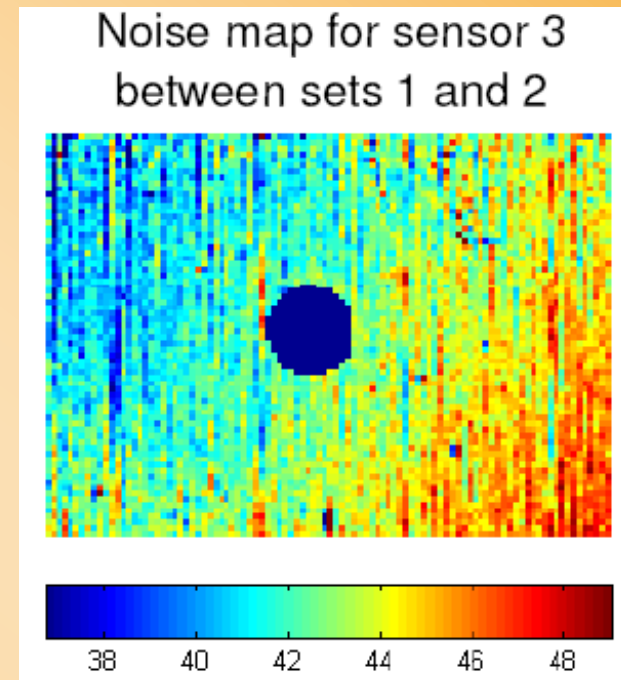
## ● Grey level images



- Problem of bias caused by sensor positions



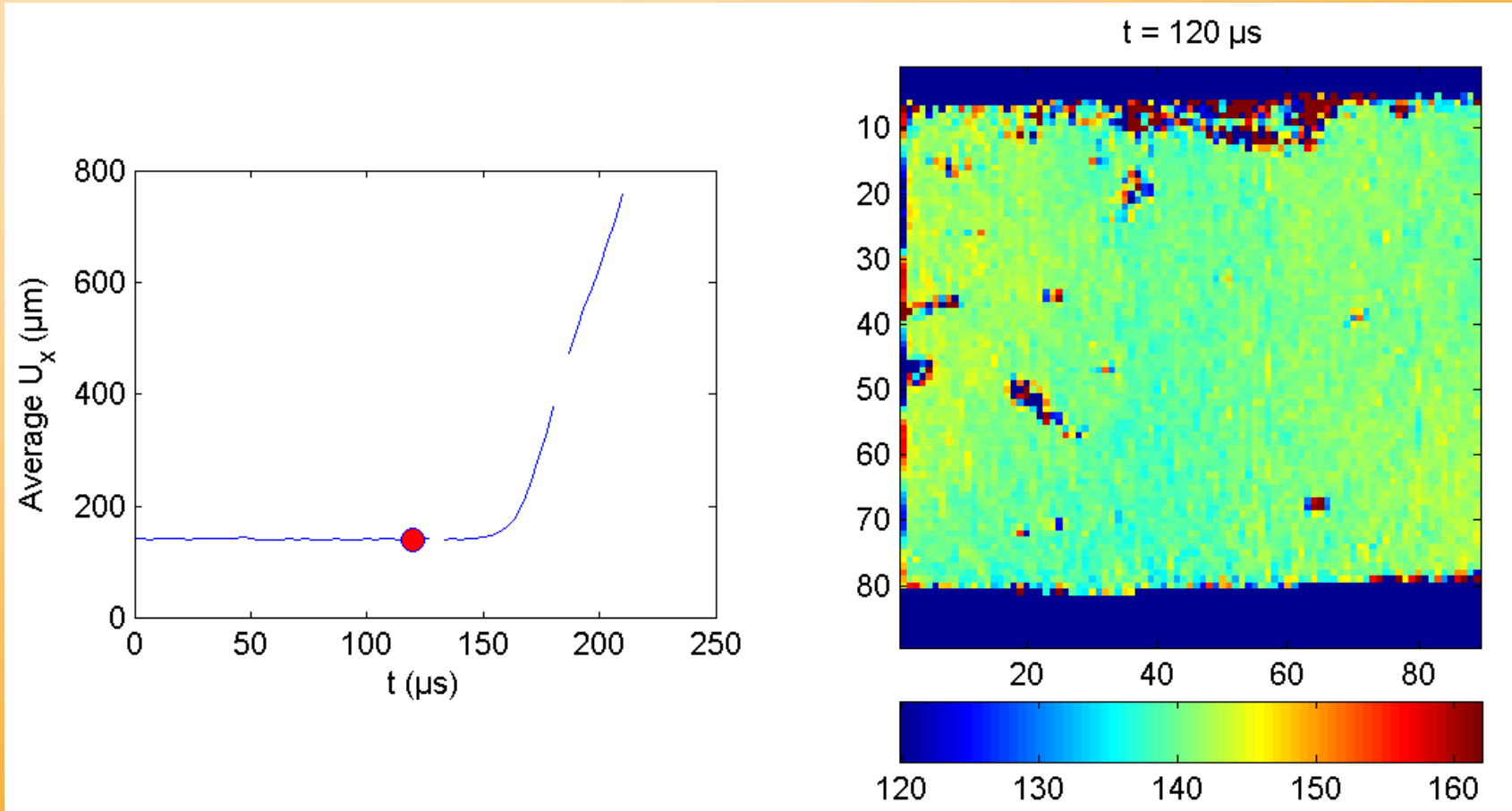
$U_x$  in  $\mu\text{m}$



- Need for a first set of 62 still images
- Phase maps obtained sensor by sensor
- Final resolution:  $5 \mu\text{m}$  (2.5% of grid pitch)
- Standard CCD camera: 0.5% of the grid pitch

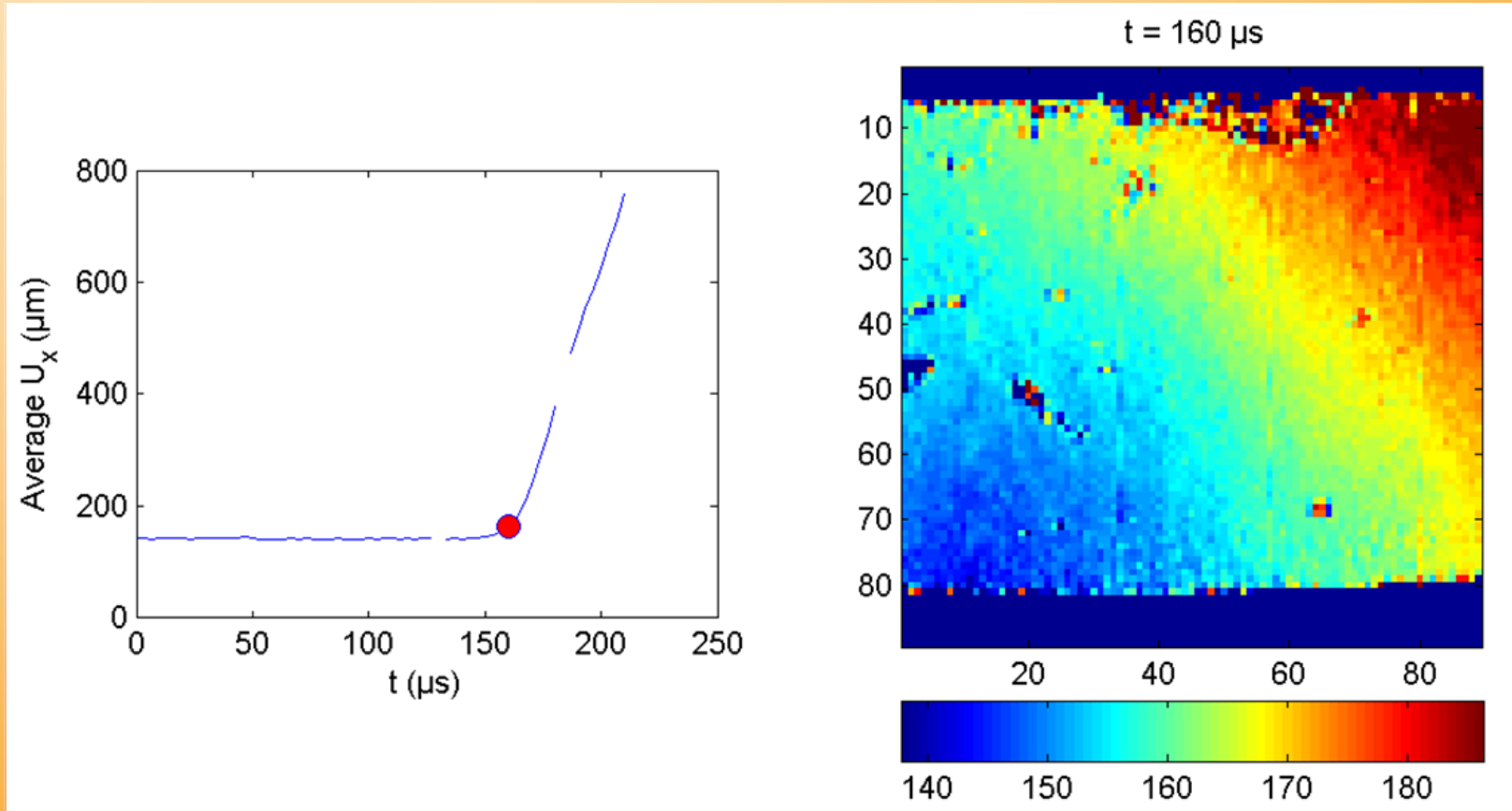


● Problem of image acquisition



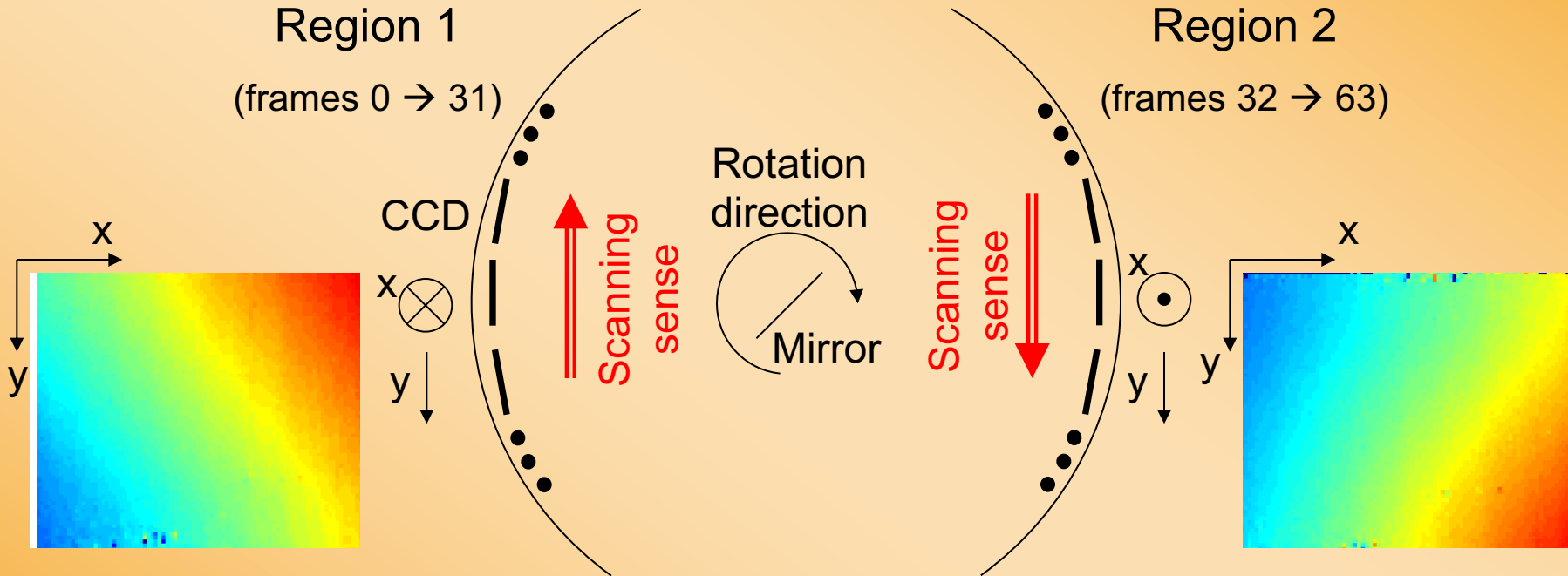
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● Problem of image acquisition

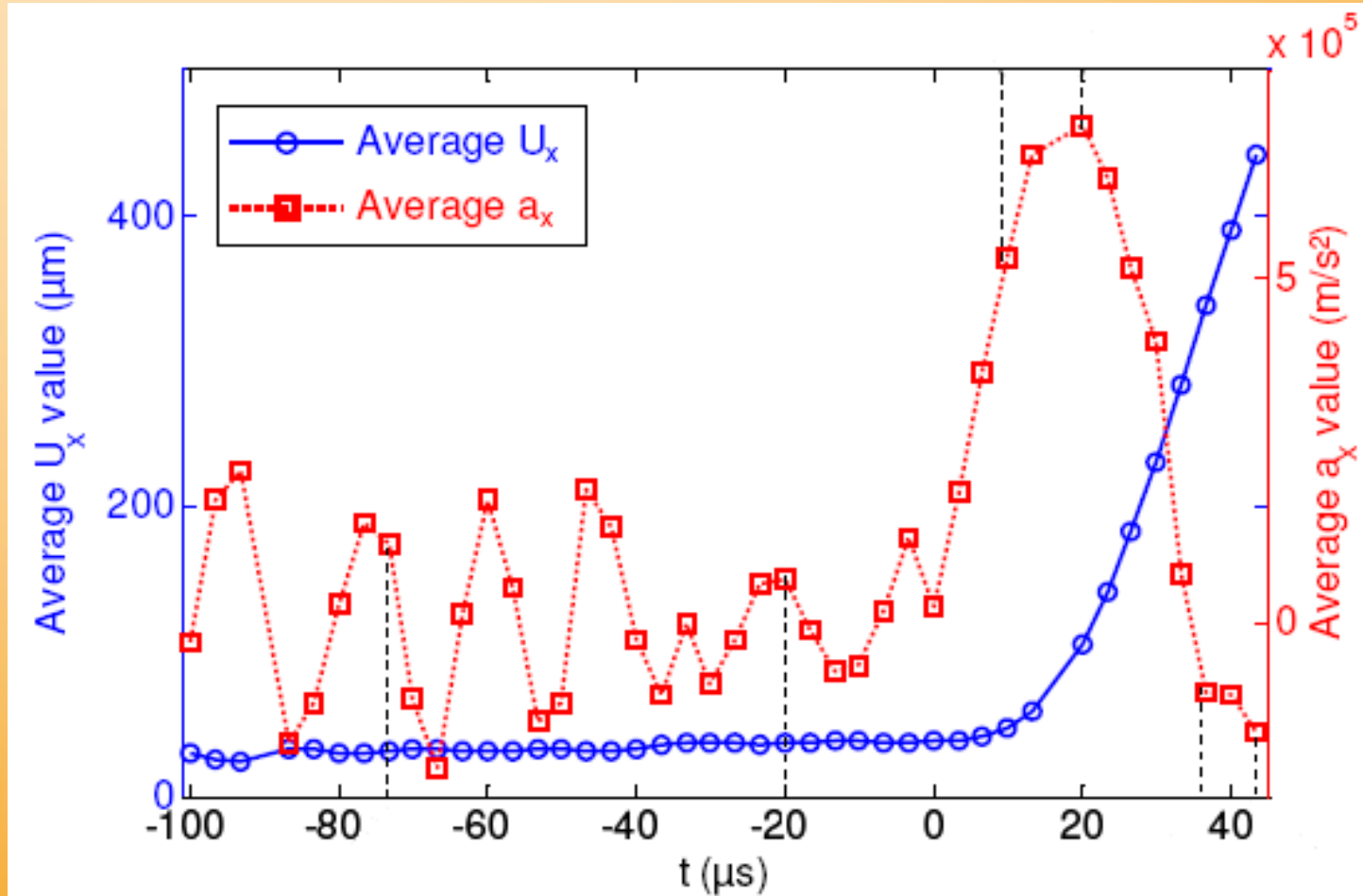


$U_x$  in  $\mu\text{m}$

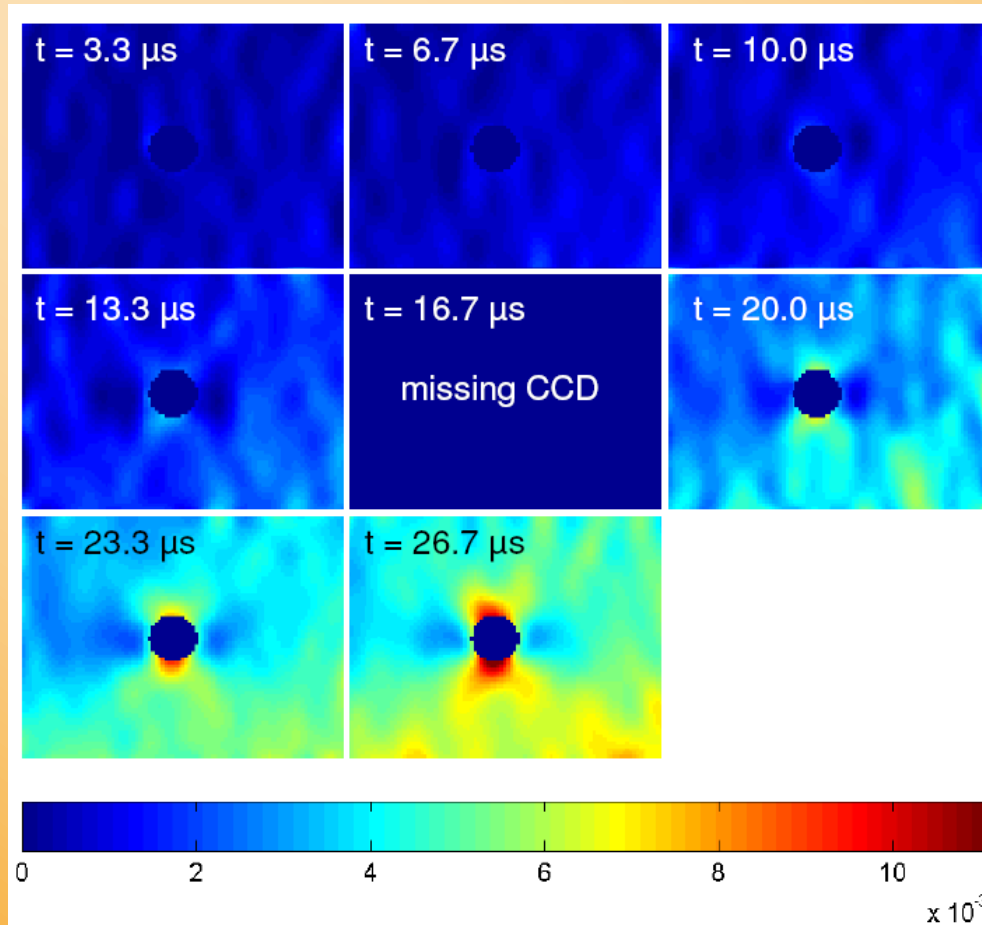
● Problem of image acquisition



● Vibration from the rotating mirror?



- **Strain maps: spatial differentiation**
  - Local smoothing (diffuse approximation)
  - Resolution:  $10^{-3}$



● Stiffness identification

➤ Virtual Fields Method ([www.camfit.fr](http://www.camfit.fr))

$$-\int_V \sigma : \epsilon^* dV + \int_{\partial V} T \cdot u^* dS = \int_V \rho a \cdot u^* dV$$

Stiffness (to be identified)  
Strains (measured)

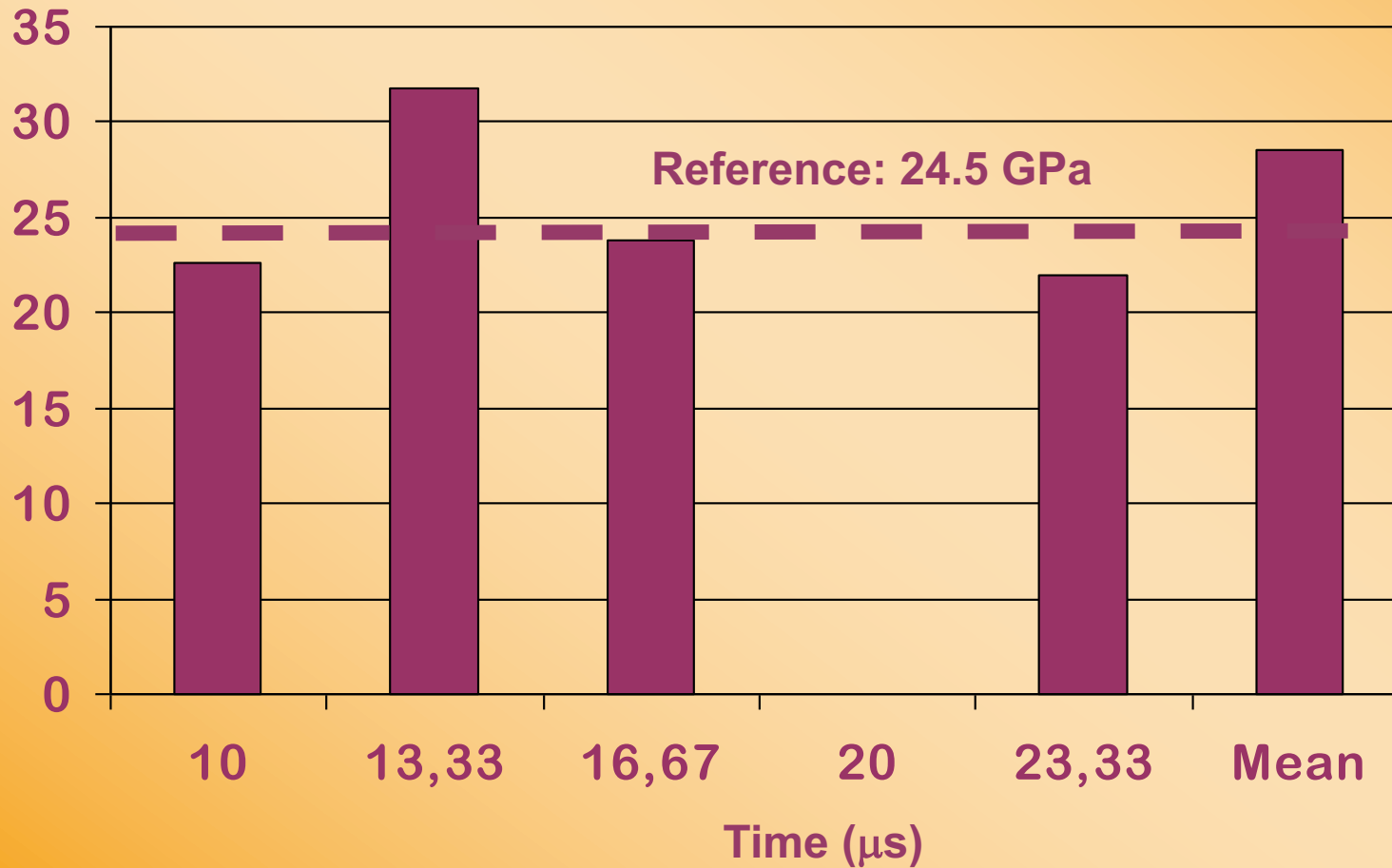
Acceleration (measured)

Possible to identify stiffness without load measurement  
Inertia effects: distributed volume load cell

Moulart R., Pierron F., Hallett S., Wisnom M.R.

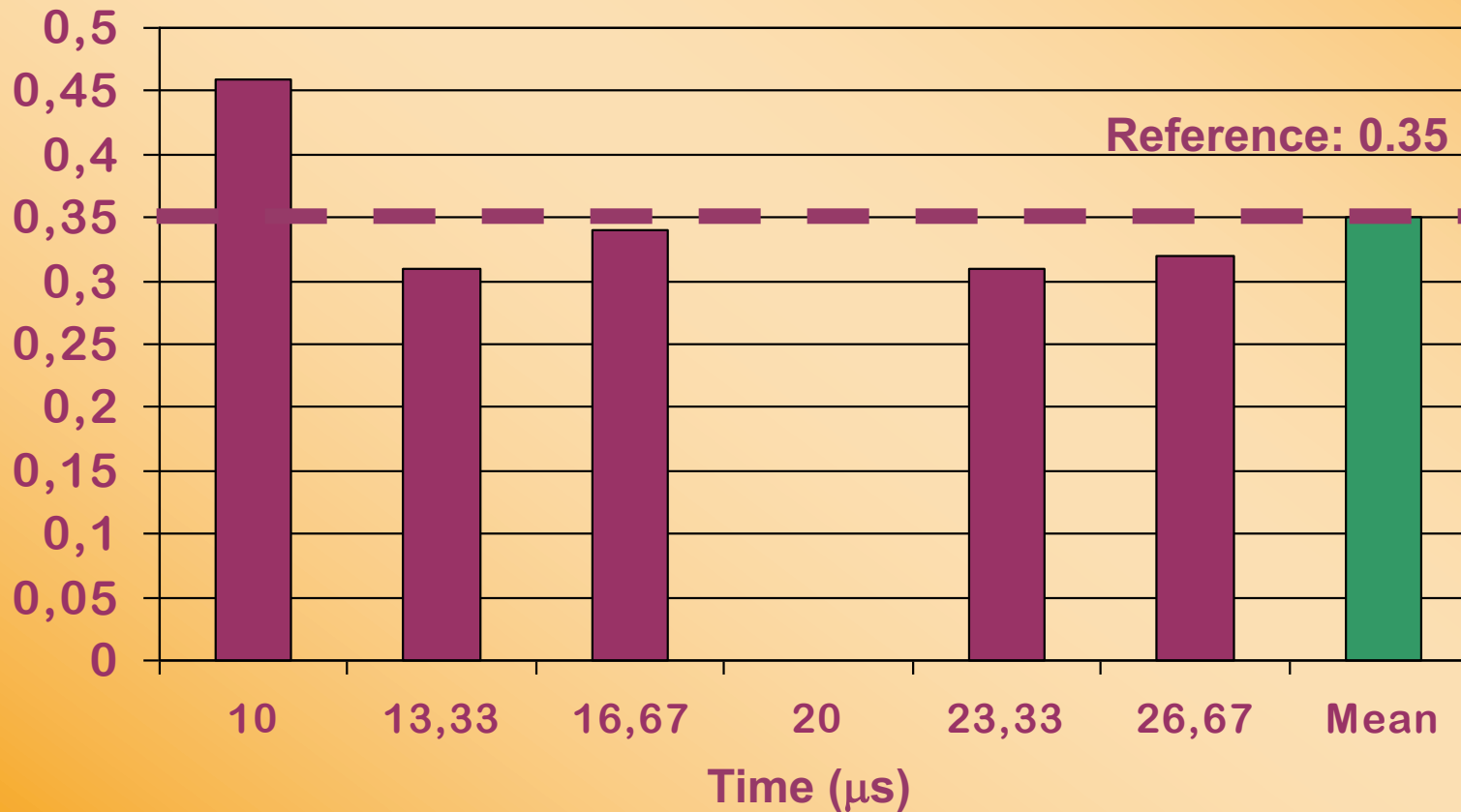
Full-field strain measurement and identification of mechanical properties at high strain rate  
*Experimental Mechanics*, accepted, 2010.

## ● Specimen without a hole Young's modulus (GPa)



## ● Specimen without a hole

### Poisson's ratio





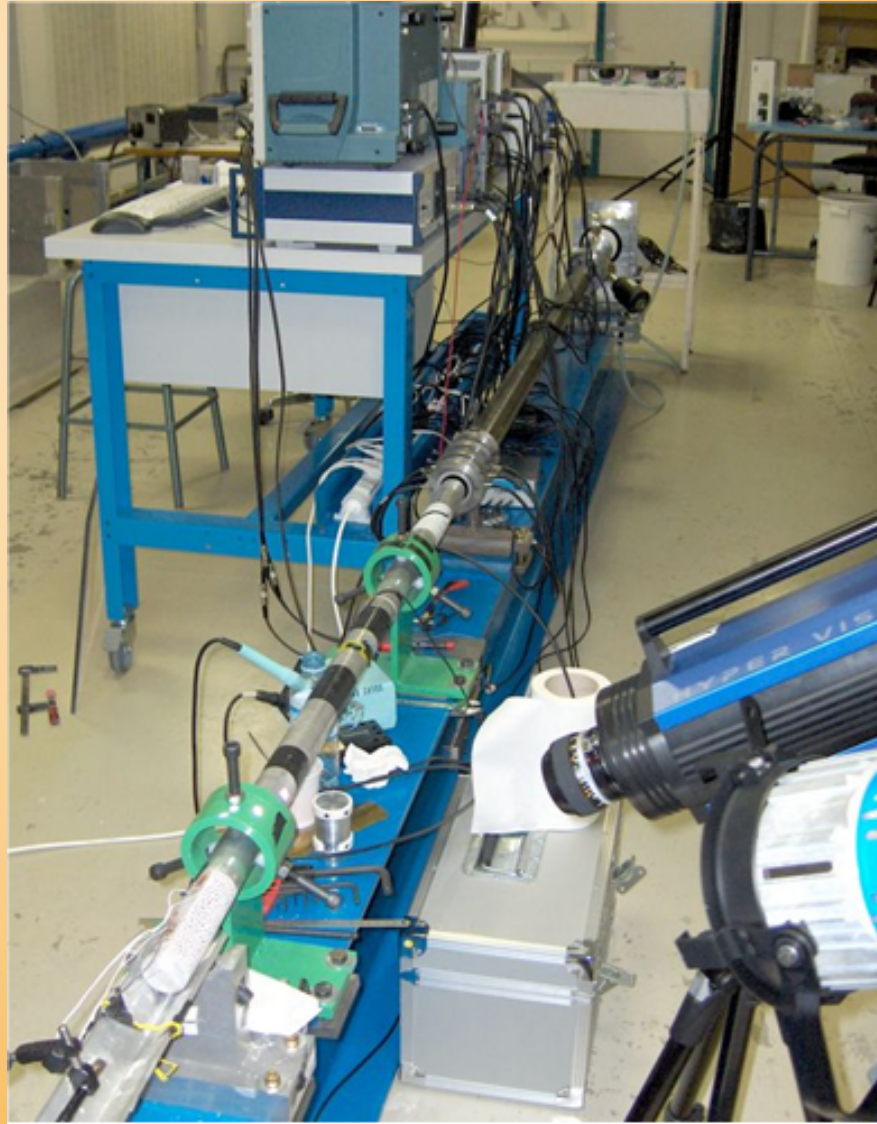
## CASE STUDY 3

**Spalling test on concrete**

**SHIMADZU HPV-1 camera**

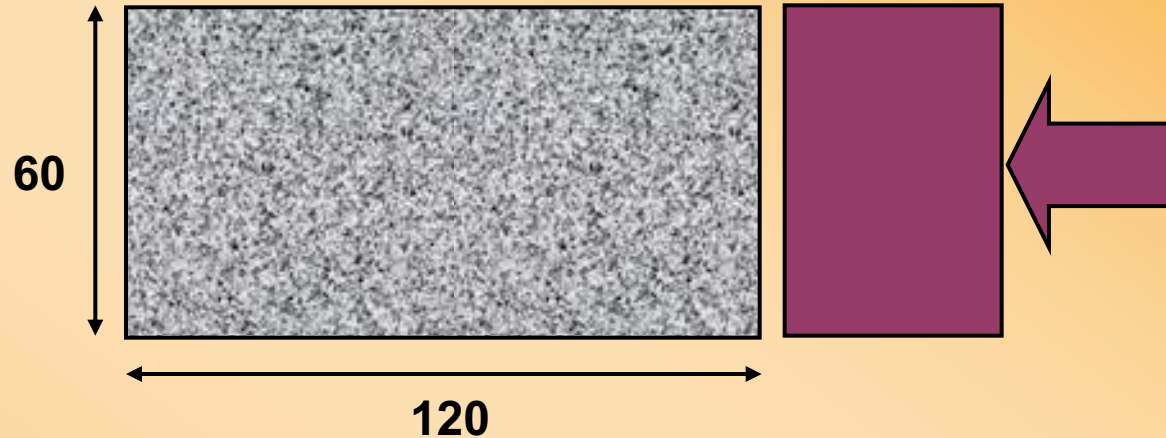
**Dr Pascal FORQUIN**





## ● Test specimen: concrete (dimensions in mm)

**Thickness: 20**



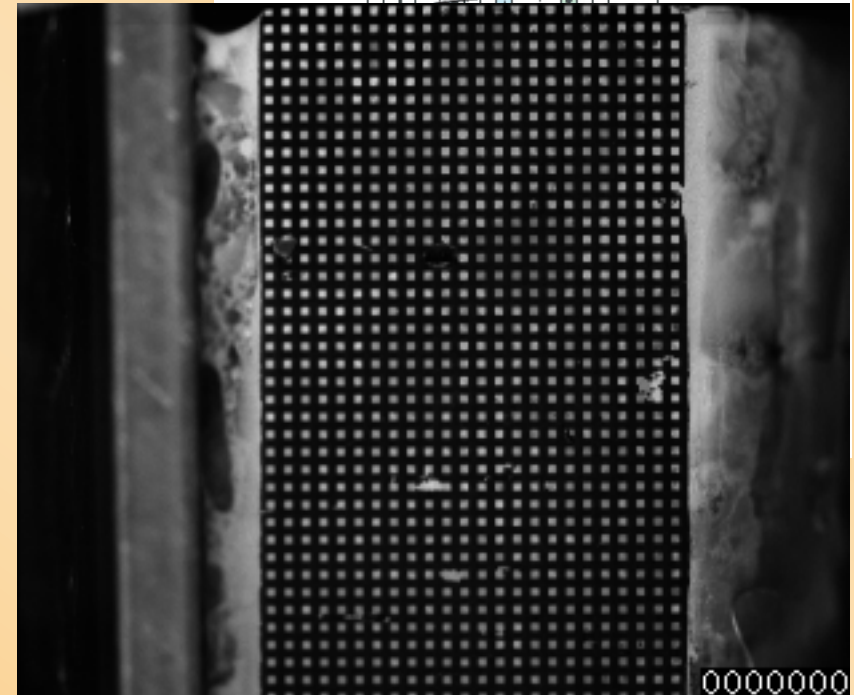
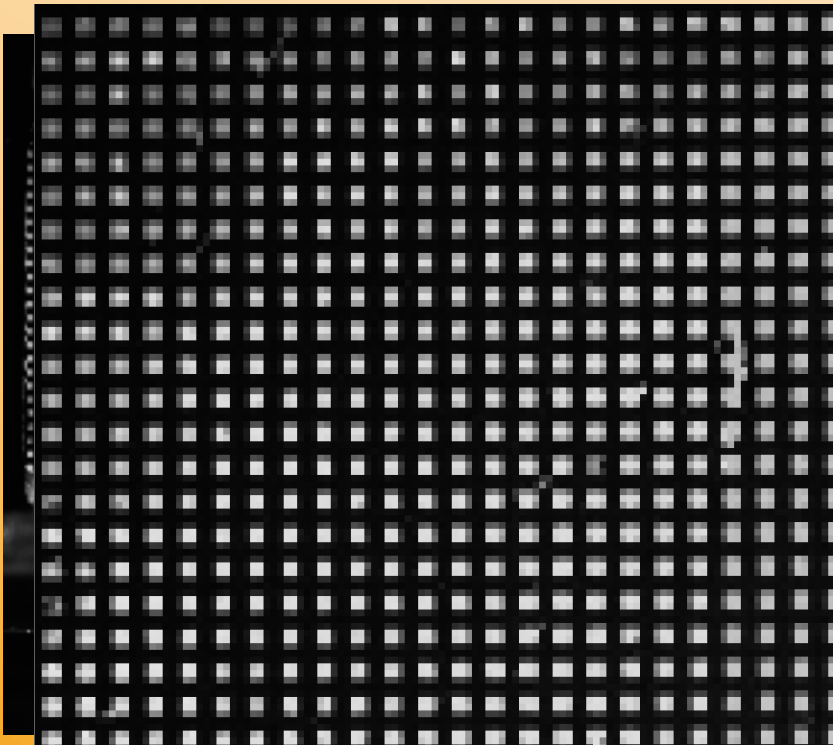
## ● Shimadzu HPV-1 camera

- Single sensor with on-board memory
  - ◆ 312 x 260 pixels
  - ◆ 102 images
  - ◆ Up to 1 MHz

## ● Measurements

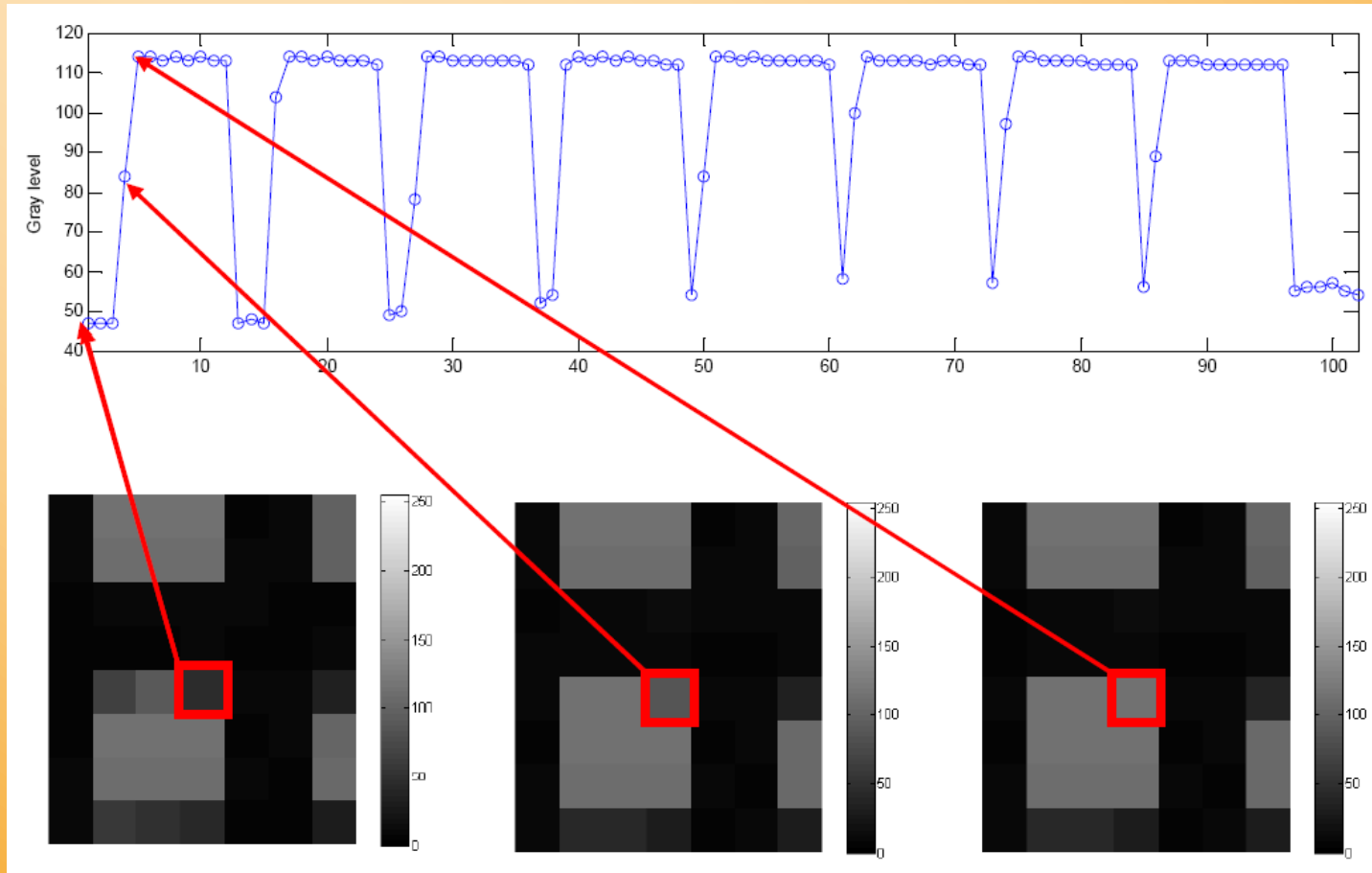
### ➤ Problem of fill factor

- ◆ 14% in the 312 pixels direction
- ◆ 76% in the 260 pixels direction



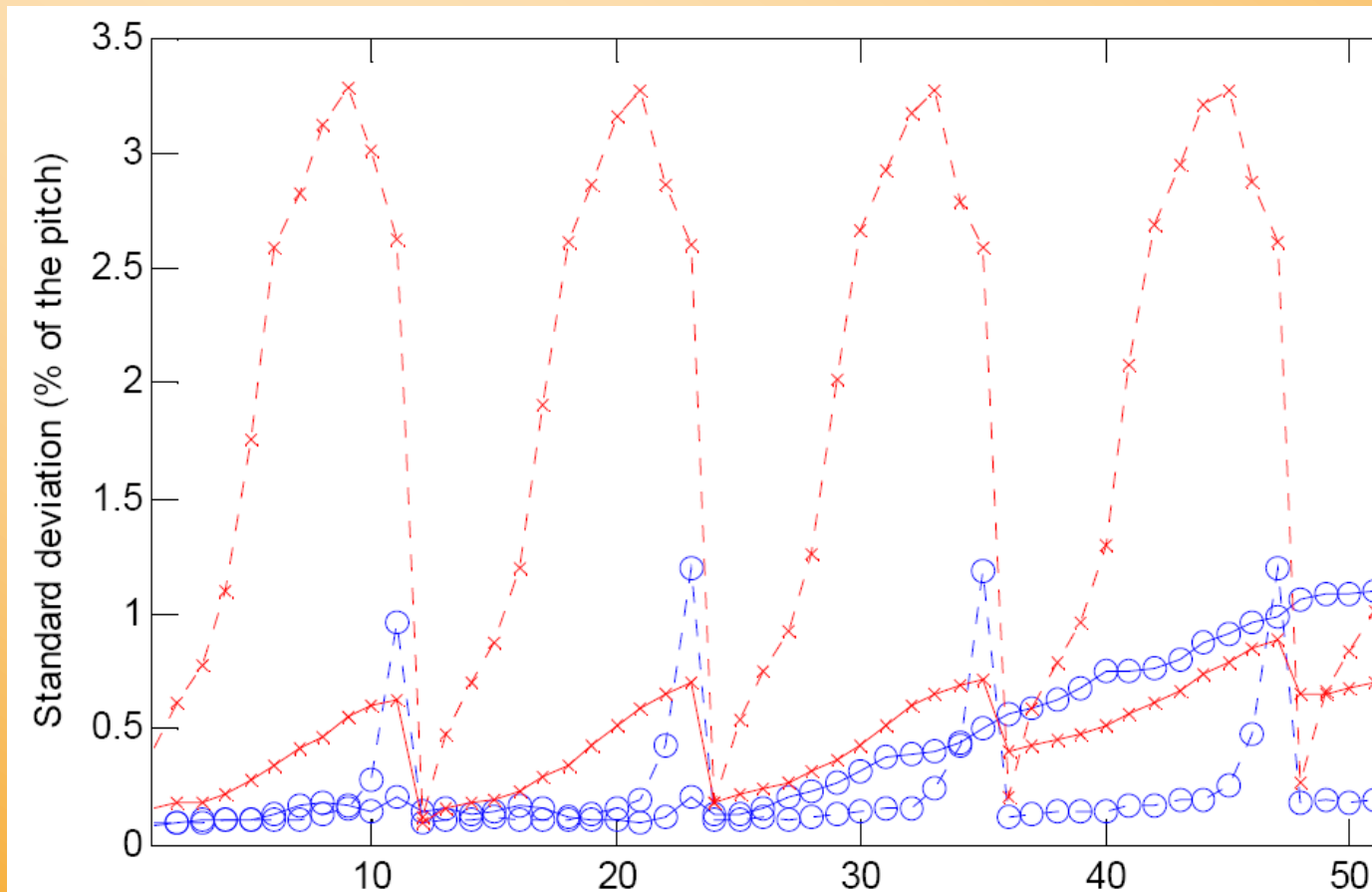
## ● Measurements

### ➤ Problem of pixel intensity variation



## ● Resolution

- Two static grids: 2mm pitch (4 pixels, blue) et 3mm (5 pixels, red): performance similar to Cordin camera



## ● VIC 2D correlation software

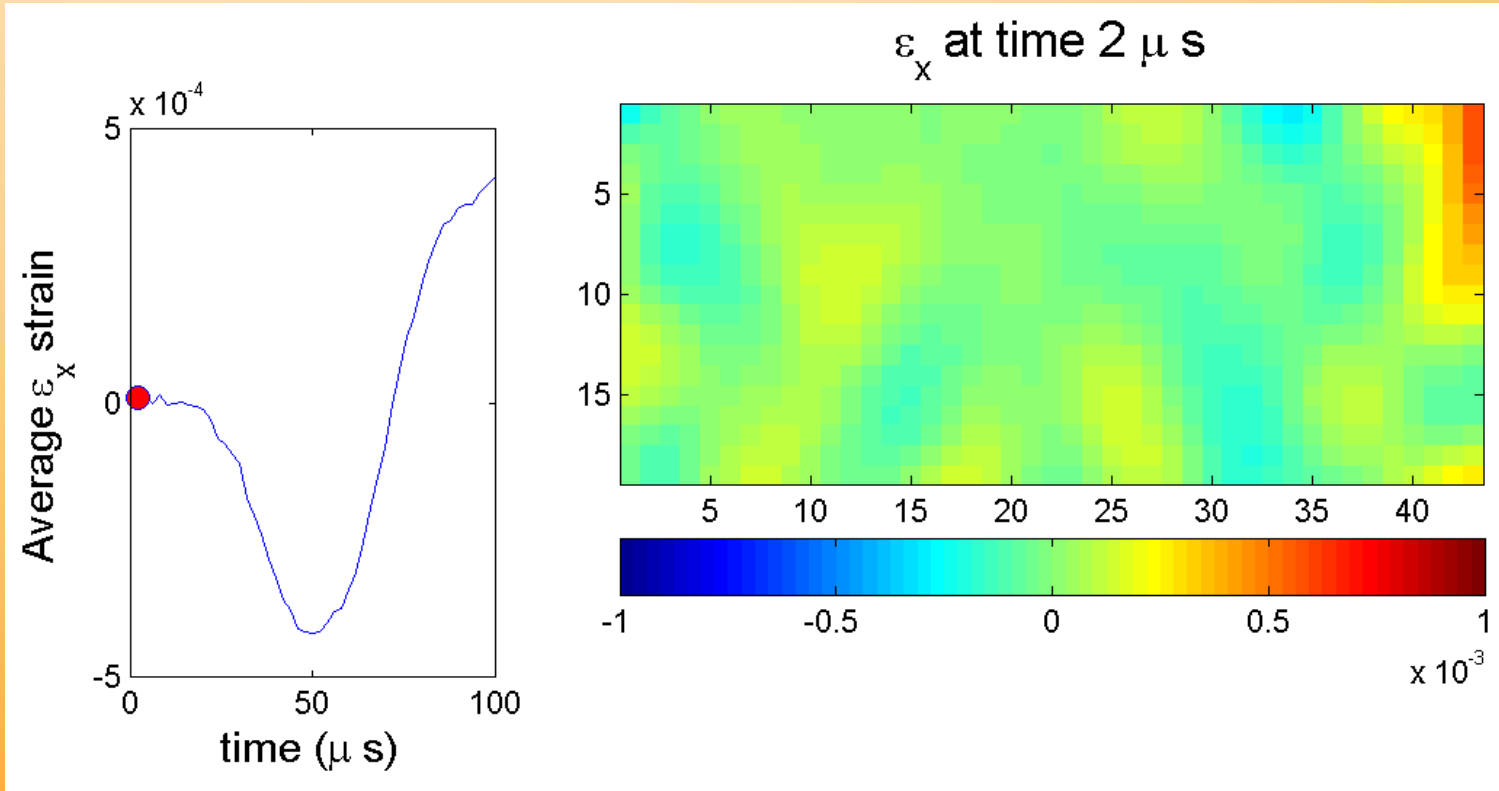
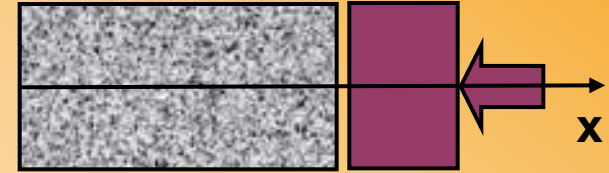
- Active area: 228 x 115
- Correlation subset: 21 x 21, step: 5
- Final data set size: 43 x 19 pixels (110 mm x 48 mm)

Interframe time: 2 ms  
until image 84, then 8 ms



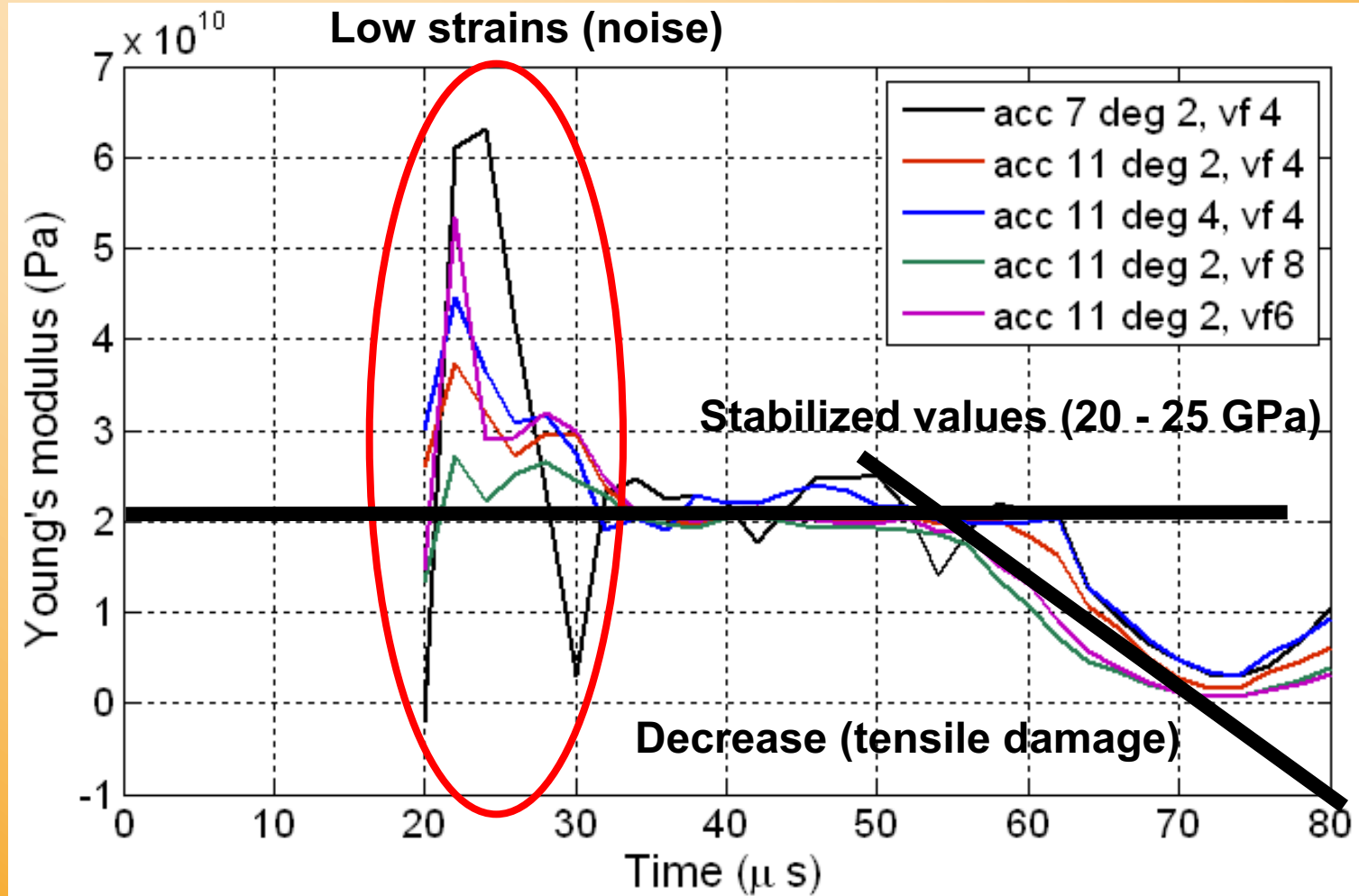
● Eps x Strain

➤ Up to crack initiation only





● Young's modulus identification



- **UHS cameras**
  - Great pieces of kit
  
- **Full-field measurements in HSR testing**
  - Great potential
  - Use of inertial forces for identification (VFM)
  - Design of novel tests
  
- **Key issue: quality of UHS cameras**
  - Requires improvement
  - Technology adapted to measurements (not just images)
  - Need for collaborations with camera manufacturers