



Uncertainty Quantification in Digital Image Correlation

An industrial perspective

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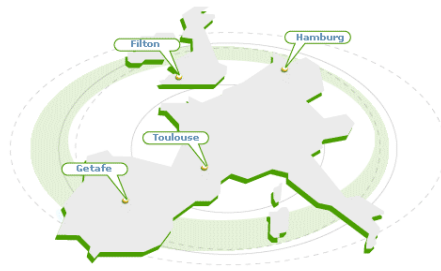
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Introduction to Structures Test, Airbus

Structures Test, Airbus



The structural integrity and safety of the airframe is typically established by analysis supported by structures tests.

Certification

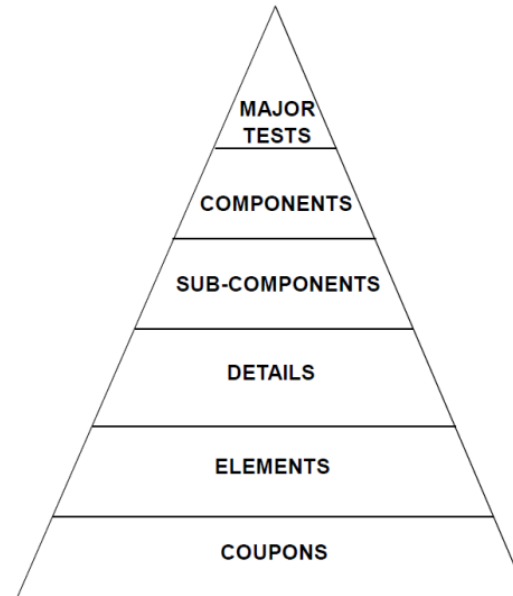
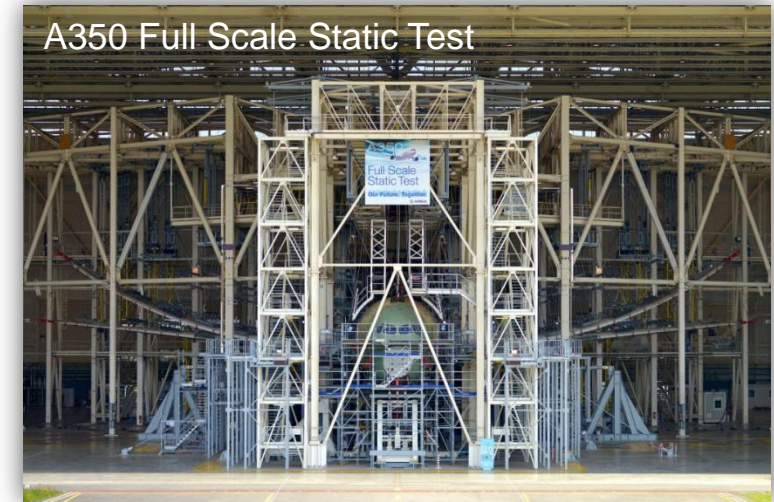
Analysis and test evidence is presented to the Airworthiness Authorities so that compliance with EASA and other certifying authority's rules, can be demonstrated, in order to achieve Type Certification. (EASA – European Aviation Safety Agency)

Development / Research

- Qualification of new materials and fastening systems
- Validation of new design and manufacturing methods
- Demonstration of durability and safety
- Concession support
- In-Service support and Repair scheme validation
- FTI Calibrations
- Research
- Analysis method and FEM model validation
- Validation of Virtual Testing models

We test metallic, composite and hybrid structures

We perform Static, Fatigue, pressure and impact tests

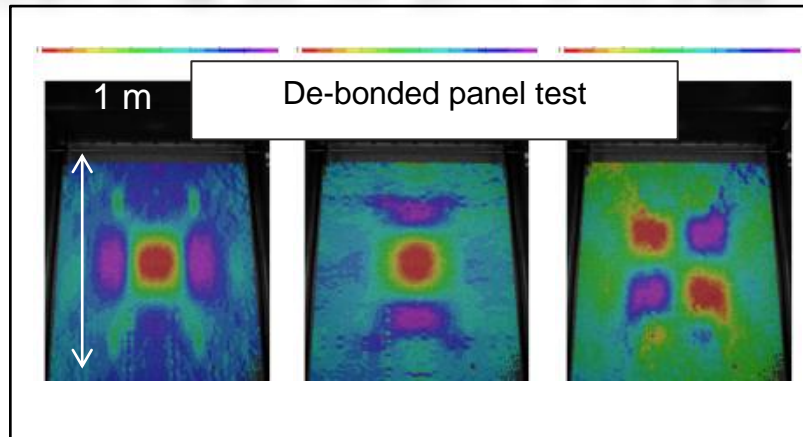
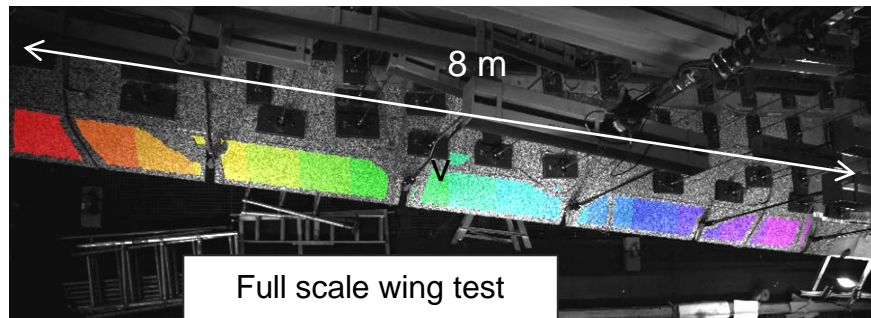


Master Pyramid of Structures Tests



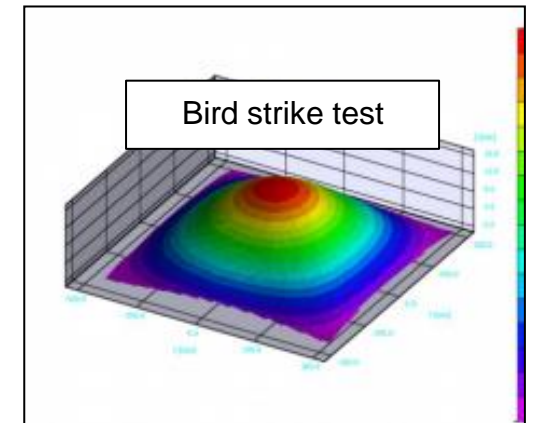
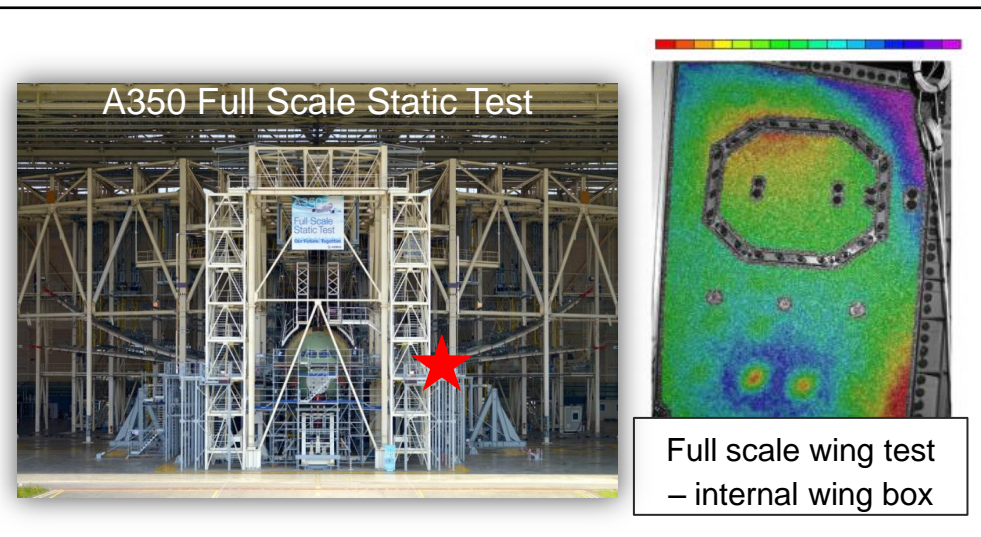
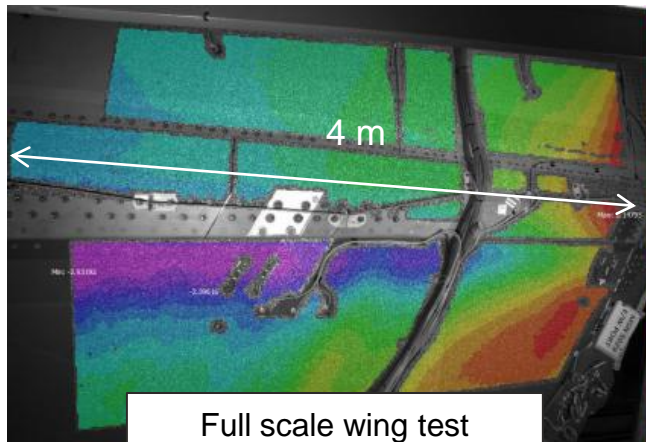
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Applications:

- Large scale static tests
- Dynamic tests
- Pressure tests (static)
- Trouble shooting
- Wind tunnel support
- Etc.

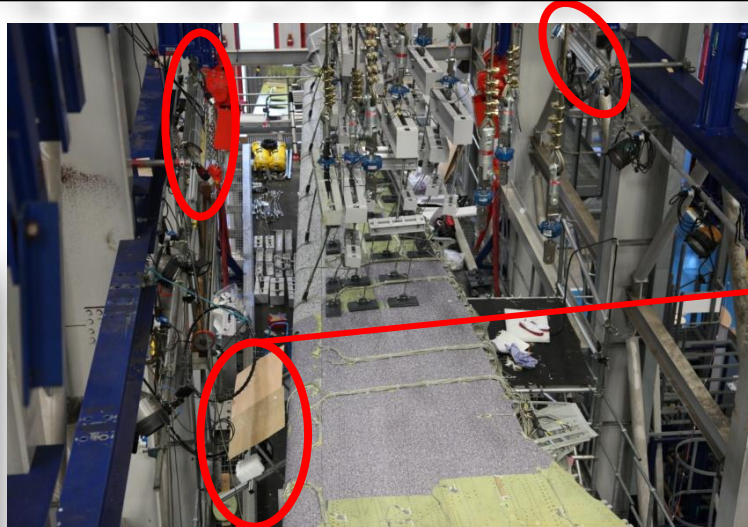
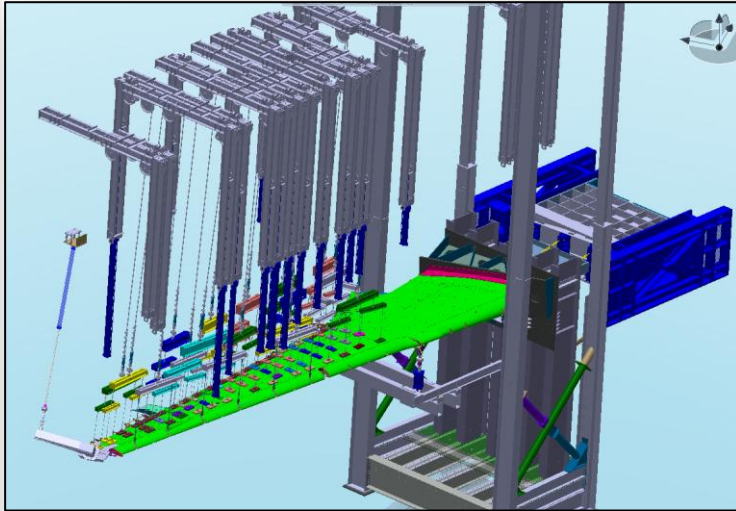


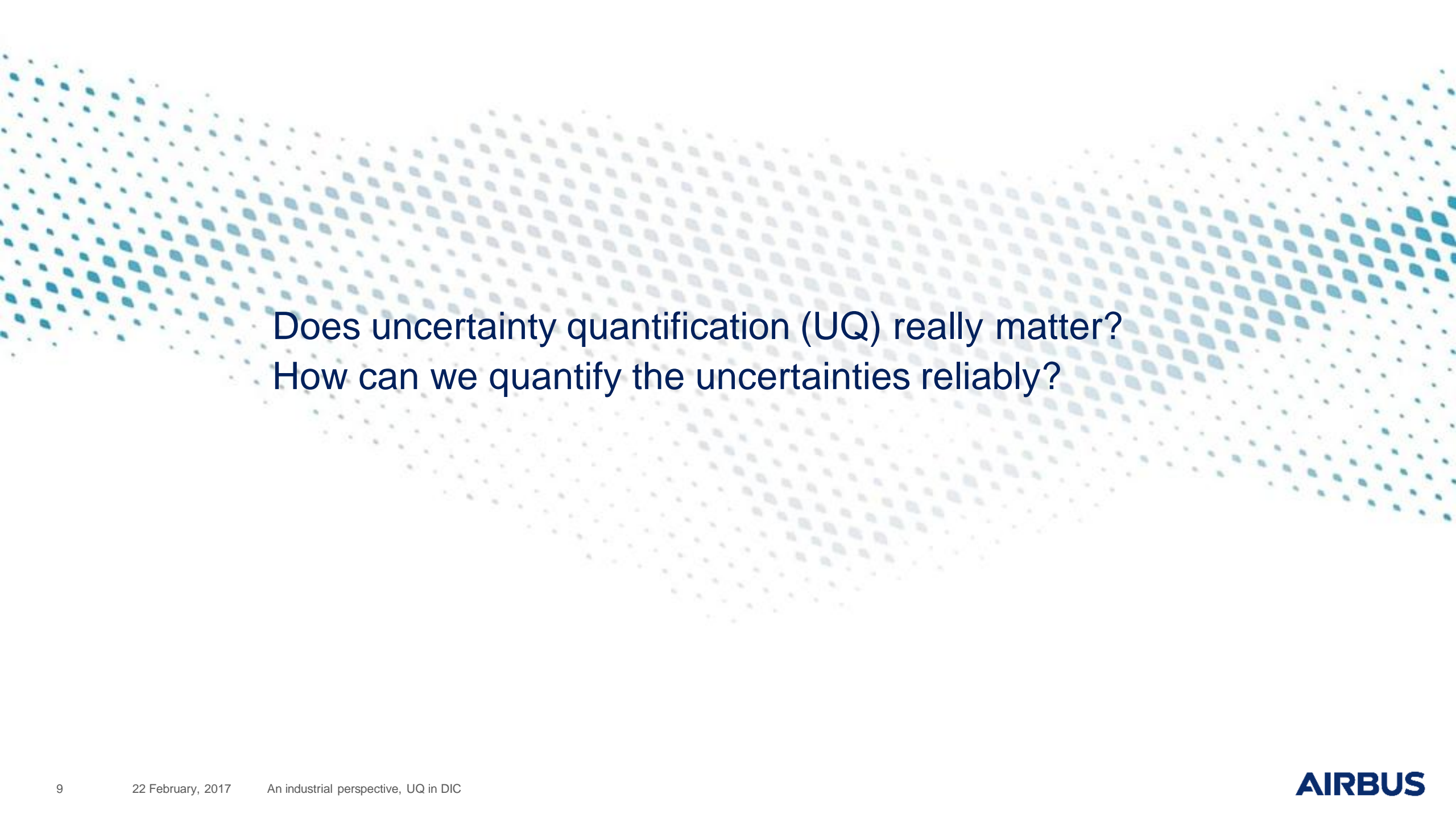


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Experimental Setup
Lens distortion
Camera motion
Sample motion
Air turbulence
Image blur
Location in image
Lens focal length
Camera standoff
Stereo angle
System resolution
Calibration Parameters
Calibration target error
Calibration drift
Image quality
Image Acquisition
Noise
Contrast
Speckle size
Aliasing
Image Correlation
Interpolant
Minimization
Shape function
Subset size
Processing decisions
Filtering
Strain calculations

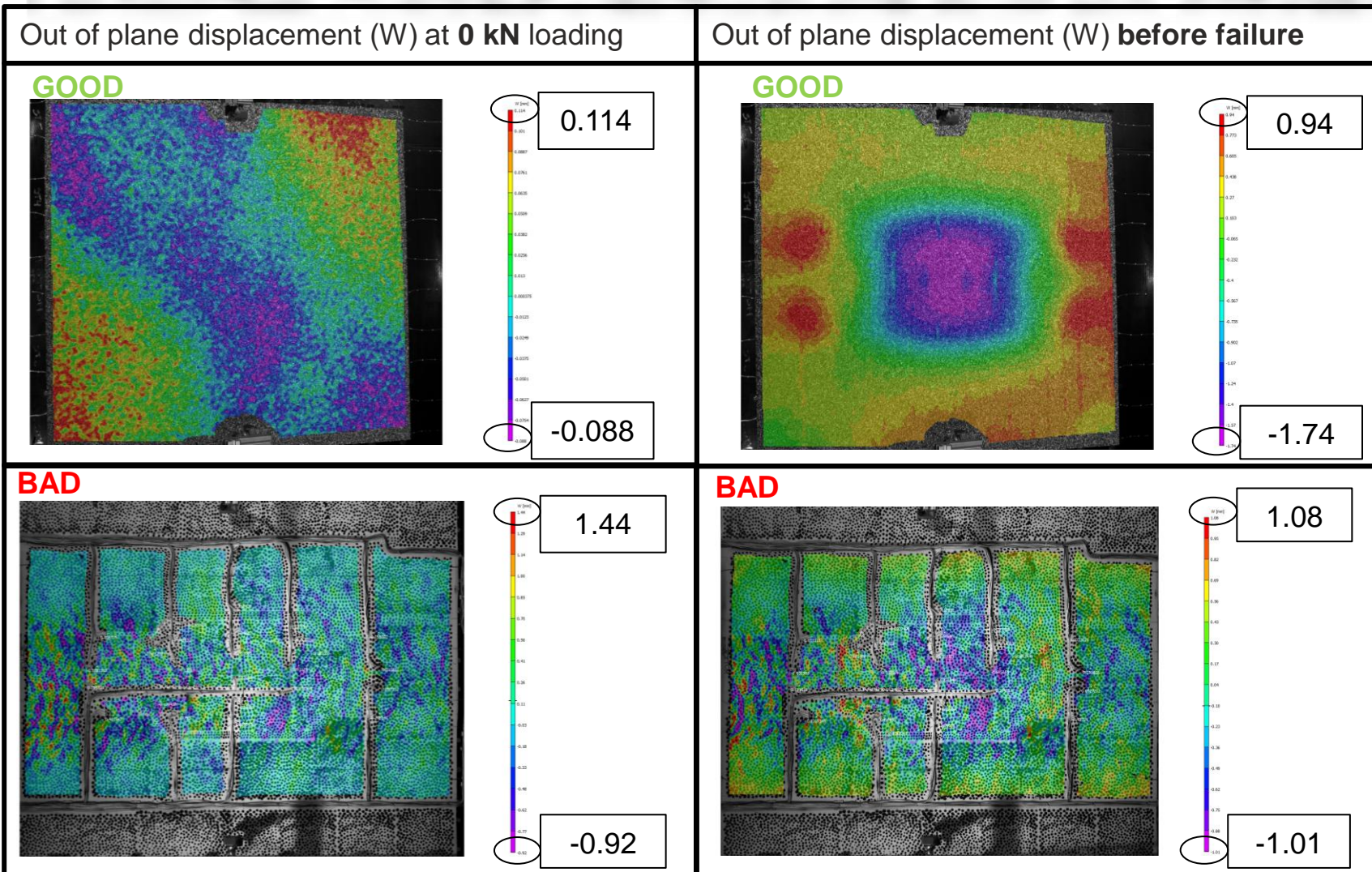




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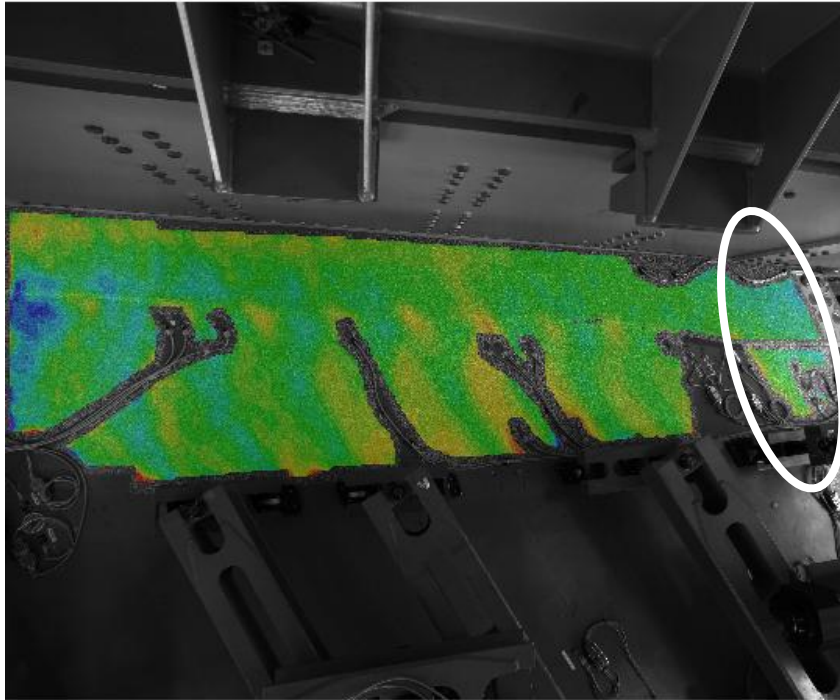
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- Type A simple noise floor evaluation by capturing multiple static images and analyzing displacements
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Strain maps of (different) specimens at the same area

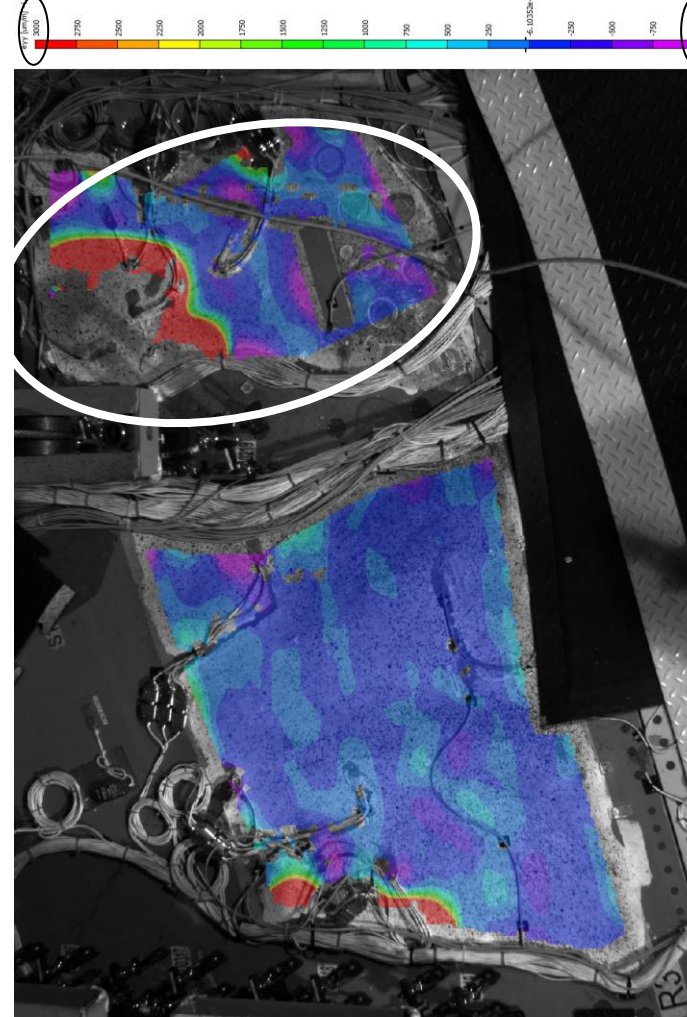
GOOD



3000

BAD

-1000



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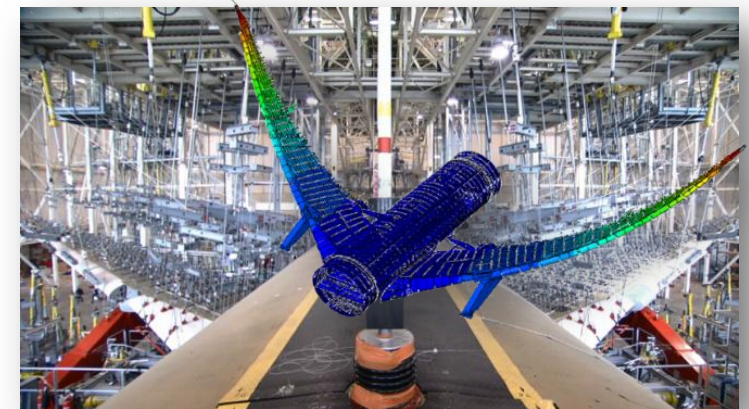
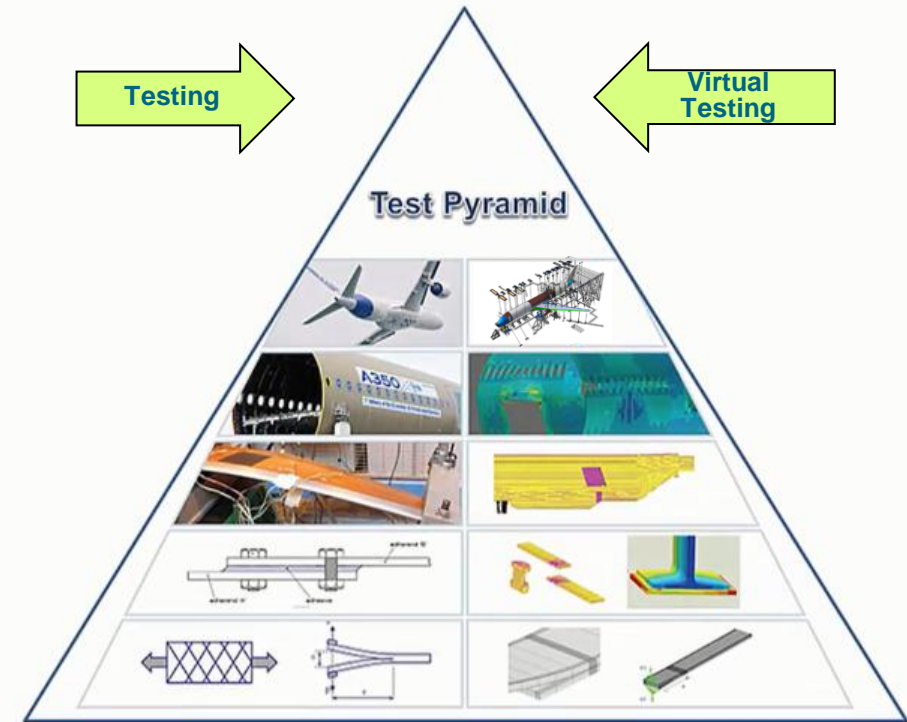
Validation of simulations

Why to use advanced measurements?

- ✈ To support the Predictive Virtual Testing philosophy
- ✈ To allow earlier use of simulation in design, in particular as a means of compliance for certification
- ✈ Validation of next generation numerical capabilities
- ✈ To enable smarter decision makings

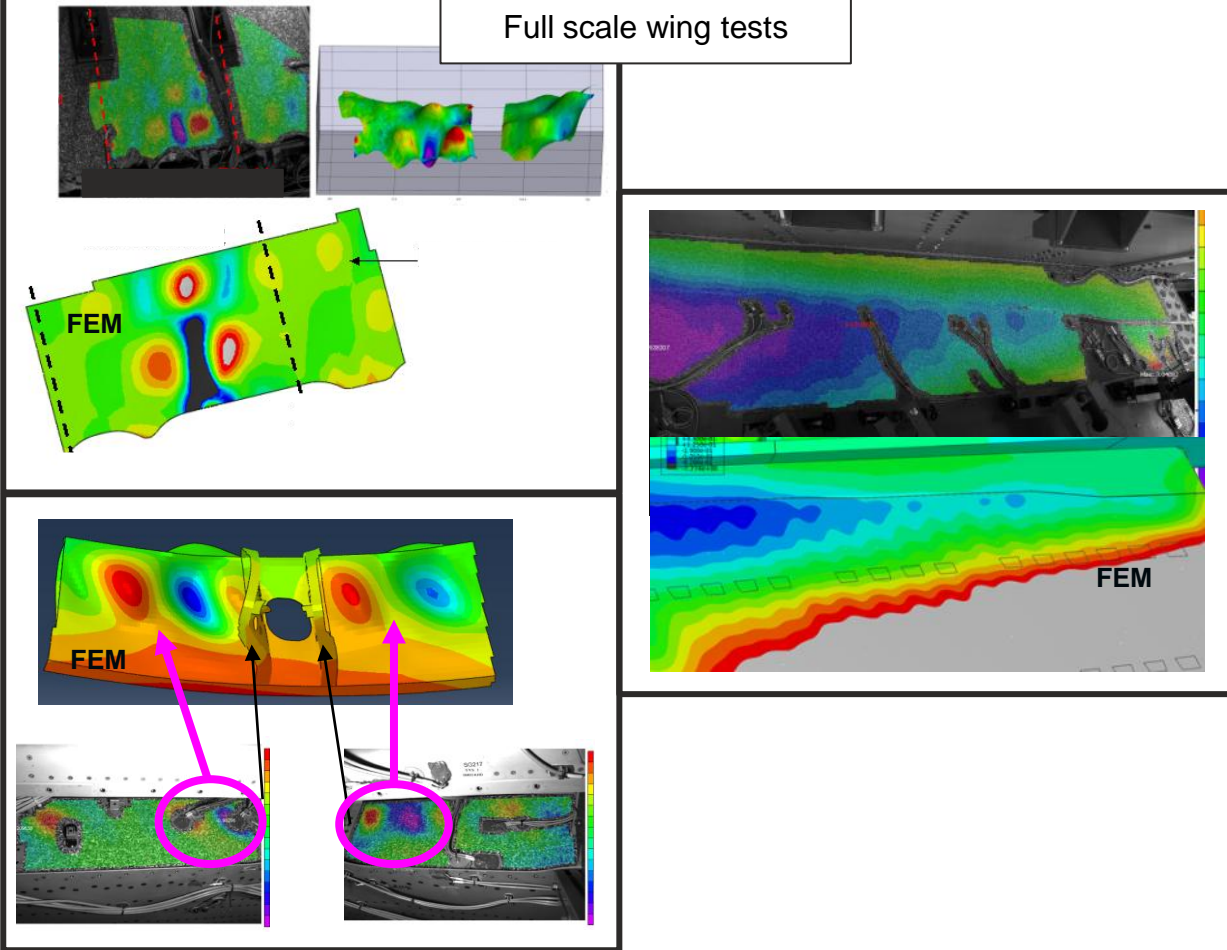
Benefits

- ✈ Robust quantitative validation with reduced lead times in the analysis.
- ✈ Increased confidence in simulations which will result in fewer unexpected events, reduced risks and defined uncertainties
- ✈ Reduced number of test specimens
- ✈ Reduced inspection time
- ✈ Reduced lead time
- ✈ Faster and cheaper testing



Validation of simulation using DIC **QUALITATIVE!**

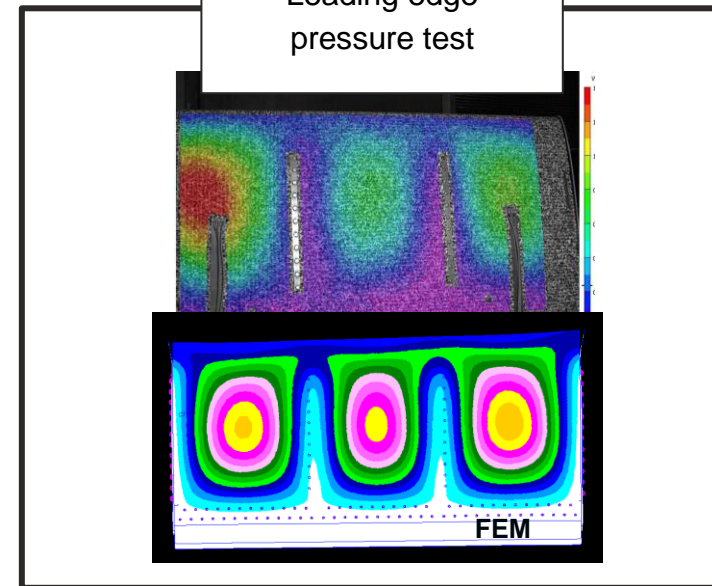
Full scale wing tests



Validation parameters:

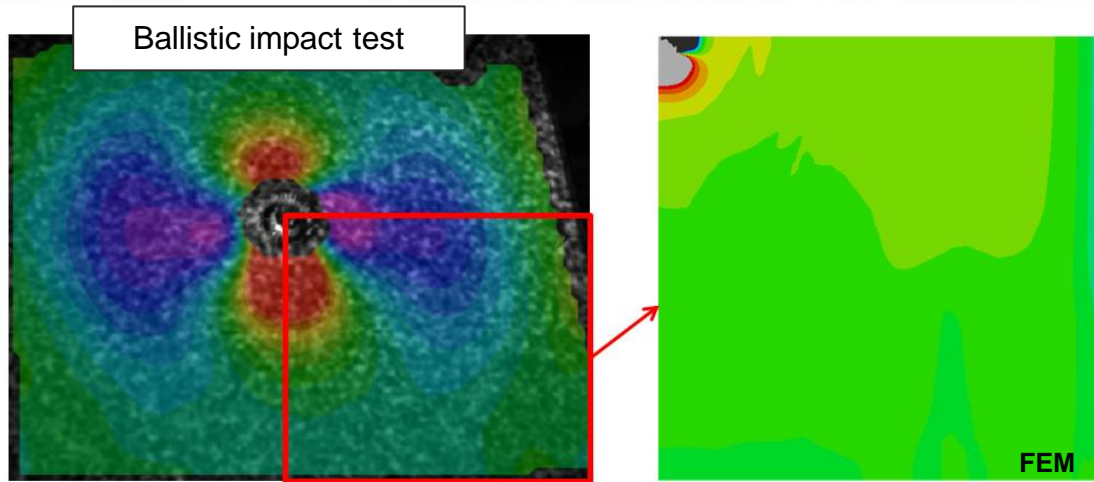
- Global displacements (behaviour) and strain distribution
- Buckling behaviour
- Onset of buckling (non-linear behaviour)
- Onset of failure
- Out of plane displacement

Leading edge pressure test



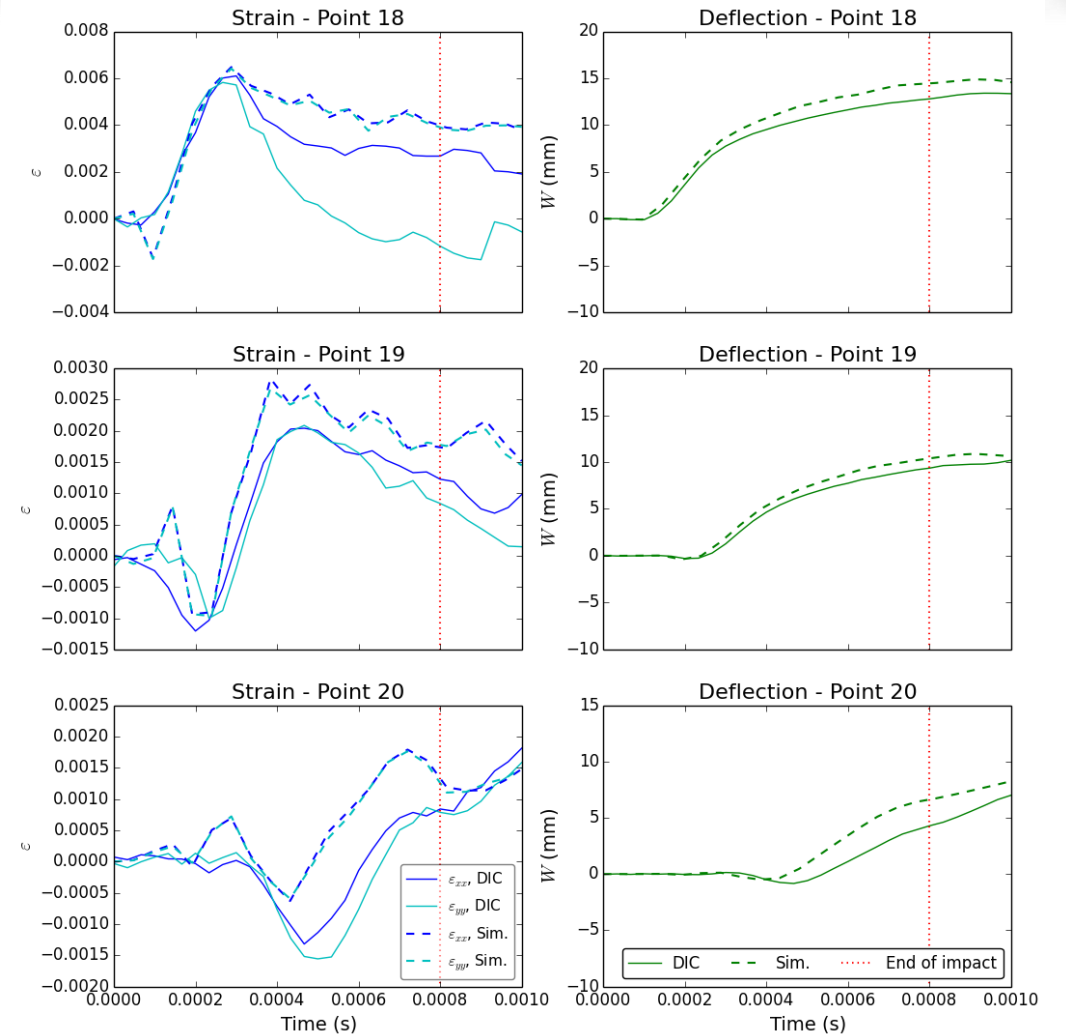
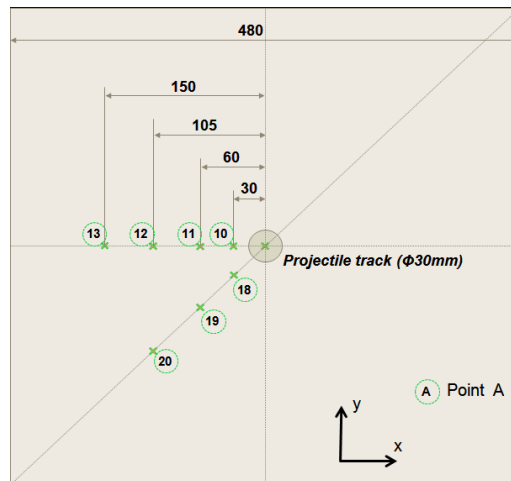
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- Out of plane displacement
- Strain values





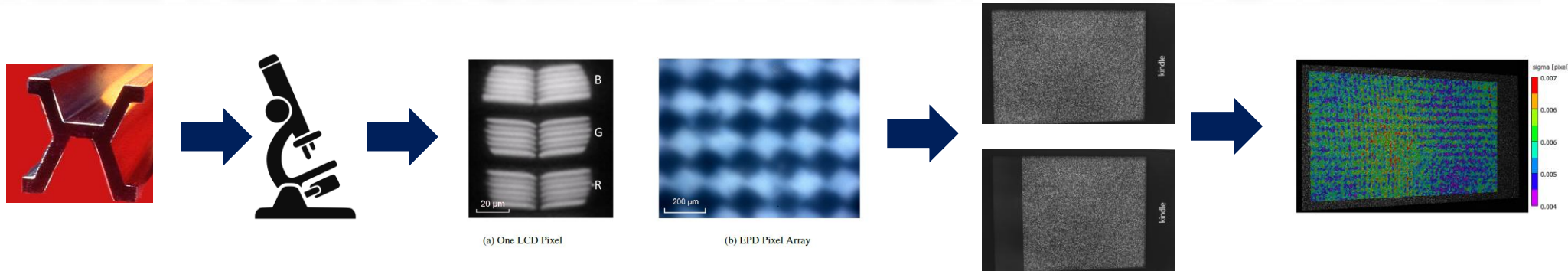
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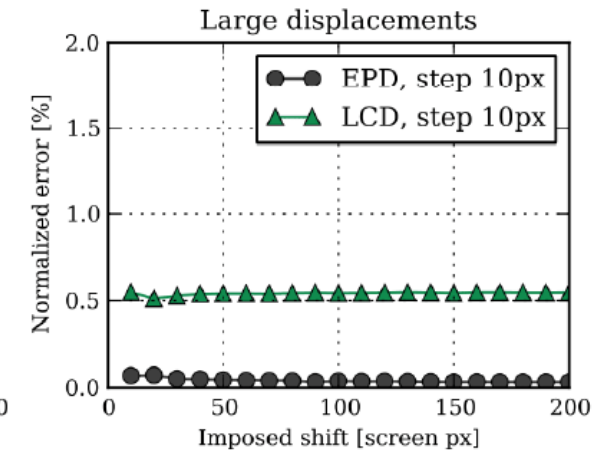
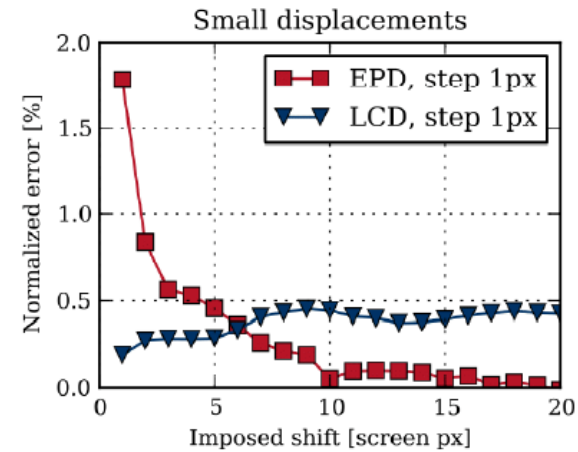
Novel validation methodology for DIC

Novel validation

- Features
 - Traceable
 - Full-field
 - In-situ
 - In-plane
 - Scalable



- European patent EP3026632AP - Improvements in or Relating to Digital Image Correlation Systems
- A Traceable Technique for an In-Situ Full Field In-Plane Measurement Validation of Digital Image Correlation
Eszter Szigeti, et al. – Optical Engineering



The FUTURE

- Standardized and traceable DIC with defined uncertainties
- Smart data comparison (Test vs. Simulation) methodologies
- Automated decision making

Thank you