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NEW TRENDS AND APPLICATIONS OF SIMULATION SOFTWARE FOR NDT

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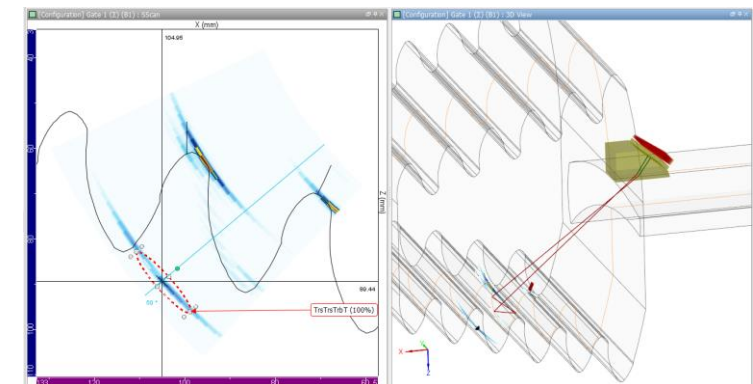
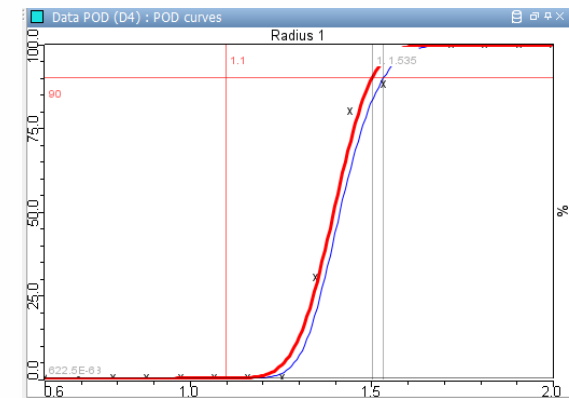
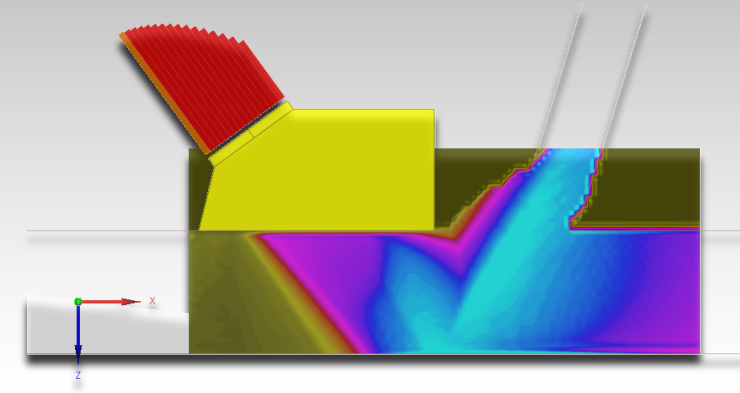
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Context : Simulation for NDE

Why using simulation in NDT ?

- Evaluate **feasibility, design** and **optimize** inspections
Better understanding, less iterations before physical tests on mock-ups
- Support **performance demonstrations**:
Capacity to run large parametric studies to provide data for technical justifications /reliability/POD studies
- **Expertise**:
To explain complex situations and confirm or disprove a diagnosis
- **Convince and train** :
Illustrate inspections set-up to support technical discussions



Context: CIVA Modeling Platform

About CIVA software :

- Developed by CEA LIST and distributed worldwide by EXTENDE

- Multi-technique:



- Ultrasound Testing



Guided Waves Testing and SHM by guided waves



- Radiography (X & Gamma) – Tomography



- Eddy Current Testing



- Thermographic Testing

- Parametric studies, Sensitivity and POD analysis

- UT Analysis (Real acquisition data)



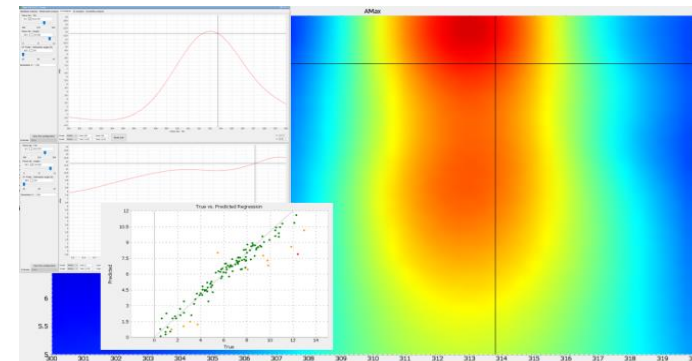
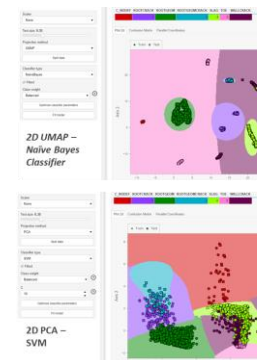
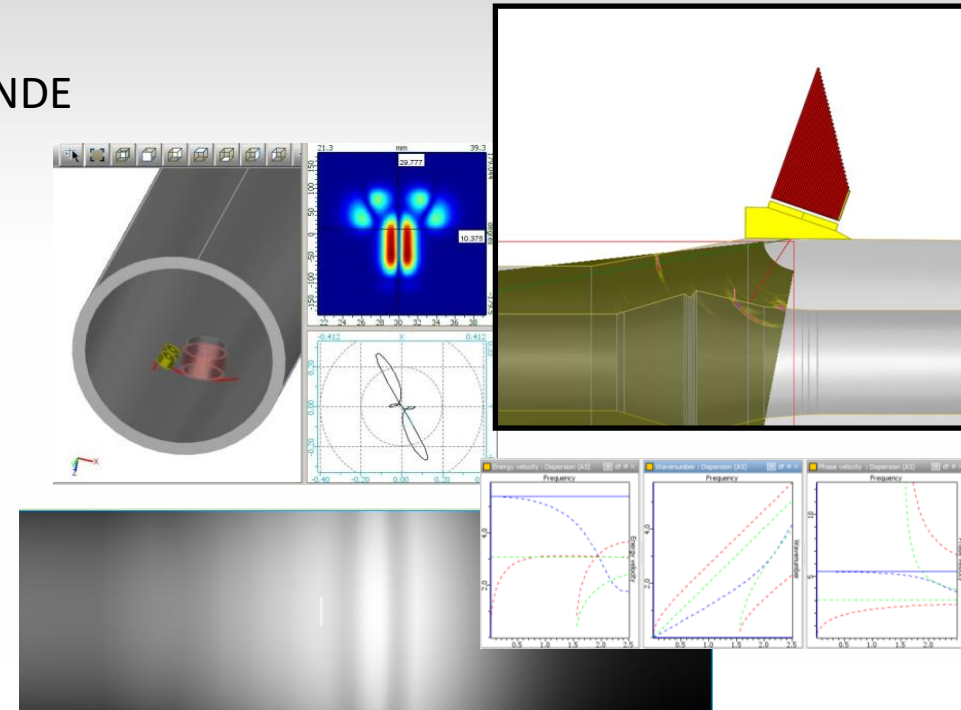
- Data Science



(to develop machine-learning based detection and classification tools)



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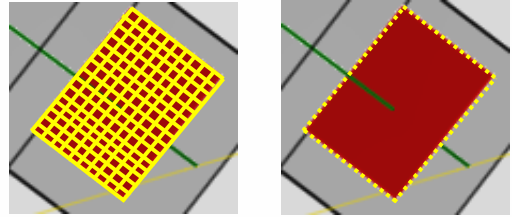
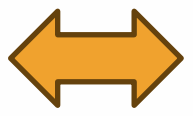
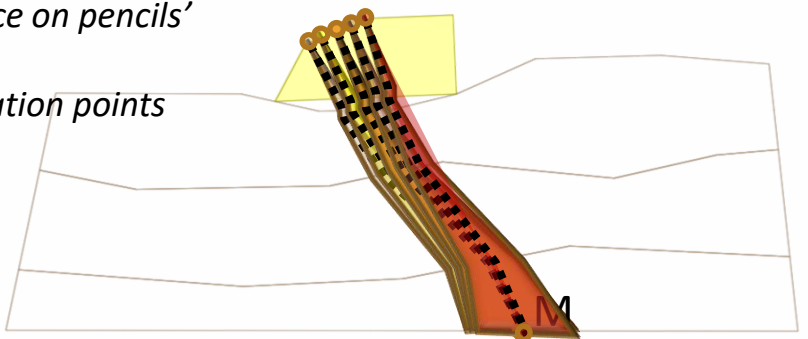


Context

| CIVA mainly based on semi-analytical models. For instance, in **CIVA UT**:

- Has been historically based on “Ray-based” methods:
 - Pencil models for beam propagation
 - Kirchhoff & GTD beam/flaw interaction models (among others)

Integration over probe surface on pencils' contributions to compute field at observation points



Integration on flaw surfaces and edges of beam/flaw reflection and diffraction coefficients

ADVANTAGES:

- “**Very Fast**” simulations compared to fully numerical approaches,
- A lot of industrial “use cases” can be covered efficiently

DRAWBACKS:

Some limitations in capacities and validity domain

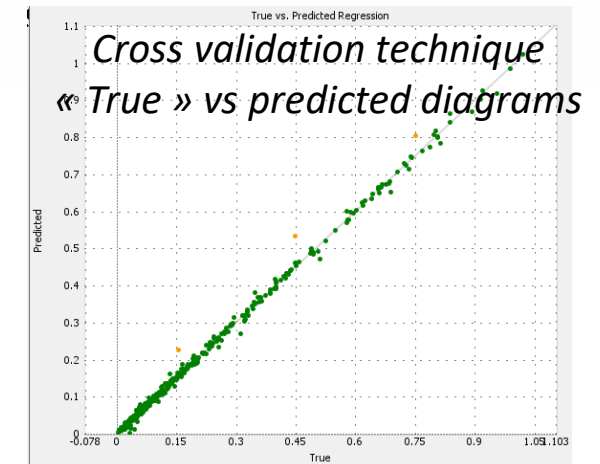
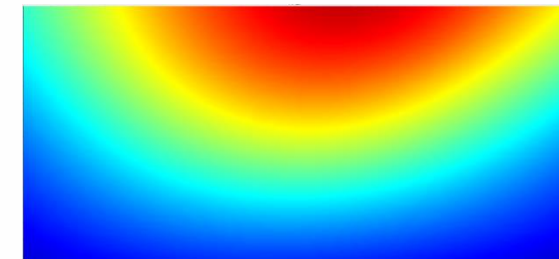
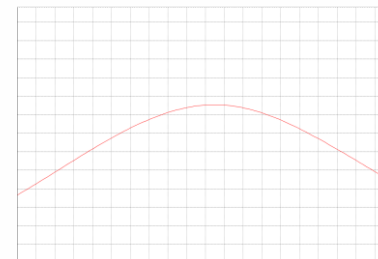
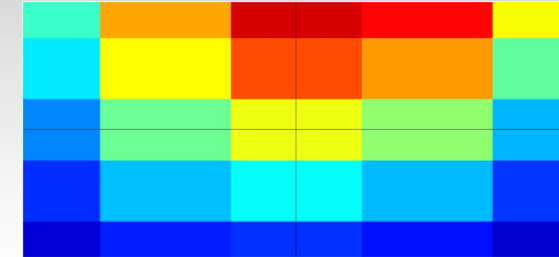
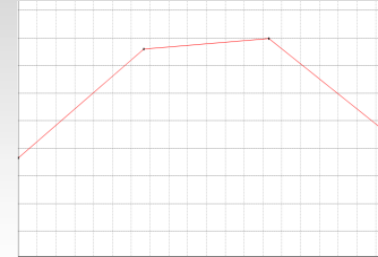
NEEDS:

- Overcome limitations and increase accuracy for wider acceptance and more applications
- Needs for “even more” data generation (IA - Machine Learning, Optimization, Reliability)

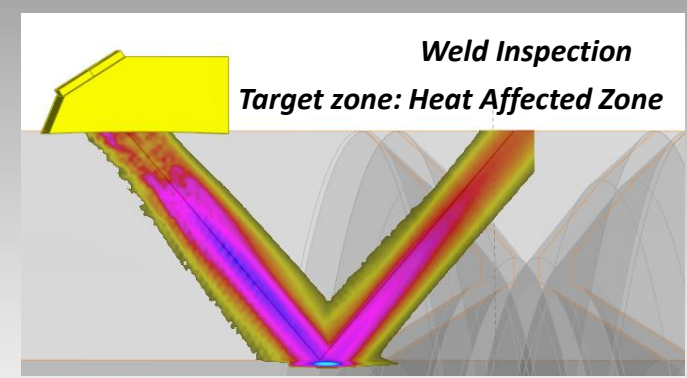
Metamodels

CIVA includes metamodeling capabilities:

- Based on an initial set of computed cases with variable parameters:
The “database” (discrete grids)
- Application of smart interpolation algorithms to build a **surrogate model** which provides a **continuum** of results for **all parameters combination**
- Once available, you can explore multiple scenarios in the defined range → **“Real time” simulations, massive data production**
- Metamodels needs a simulation database based on physical models with enough samples.
- Metamodel “error” shall be assessed prior to use



Metamodels: Applications



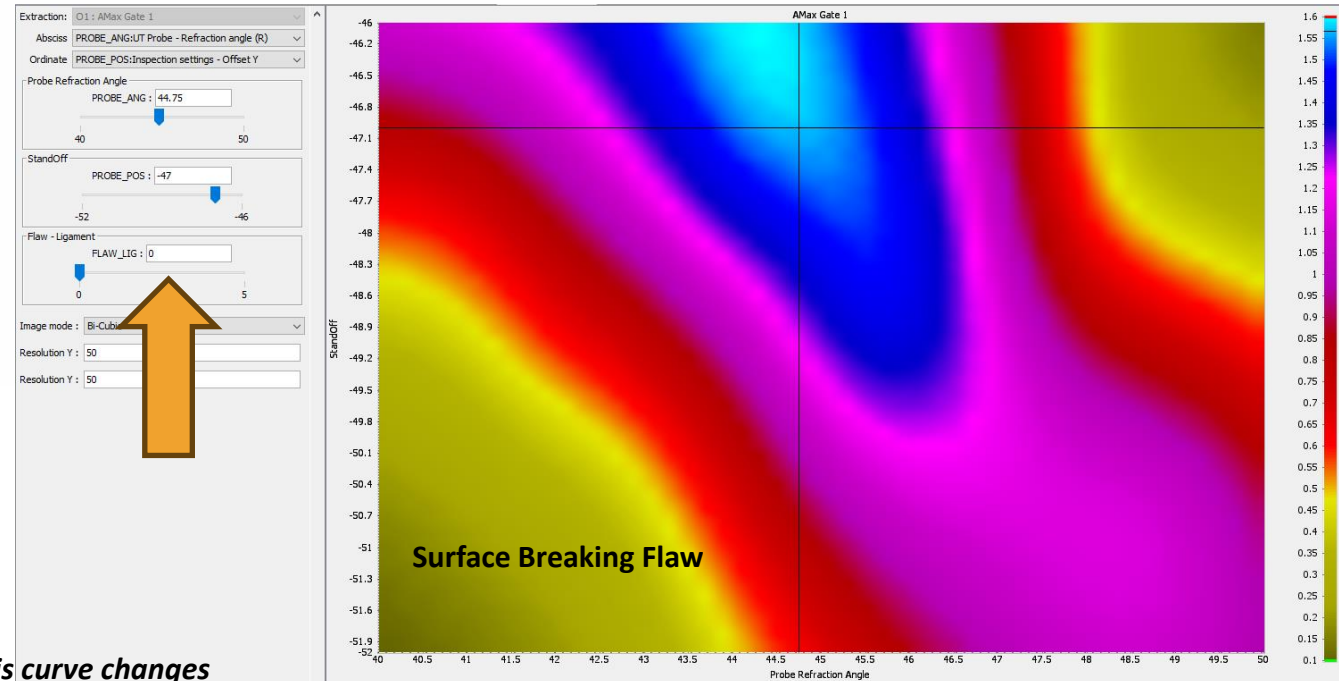
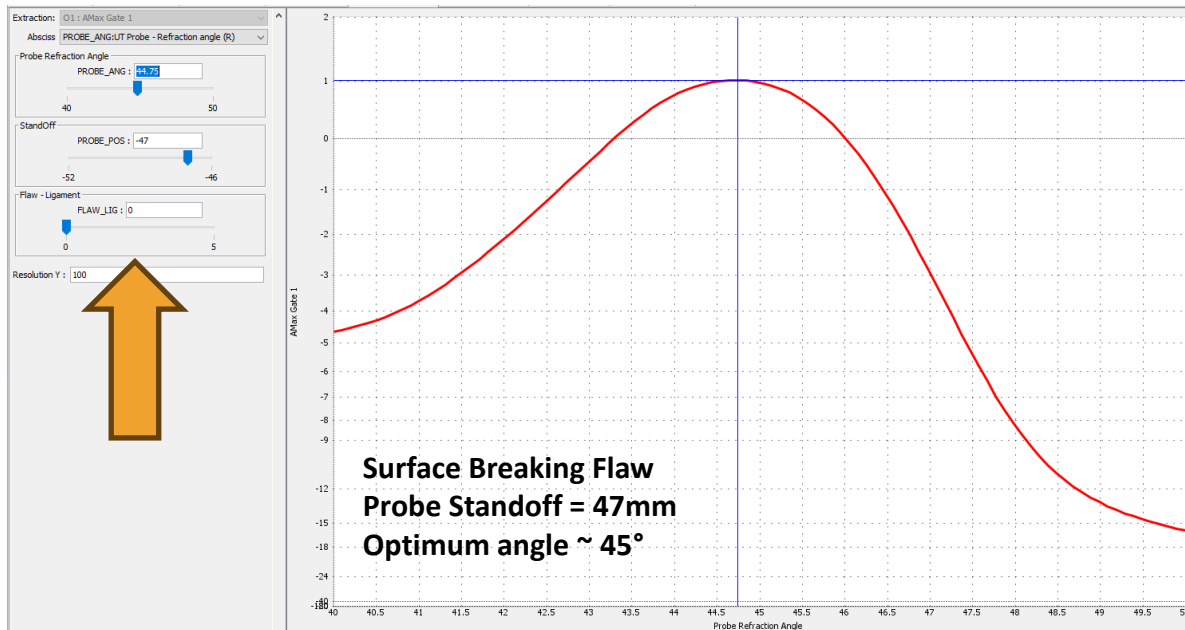
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Explore any combination of parameters' values, i.e., any inspections scenarios

- Variable parameters: Refraction angles, Flaw location, probe location (standoff)
- Impact of 1 parameter on signal amplitude:
 - 2D Viewer: See the "optimum" at a glance

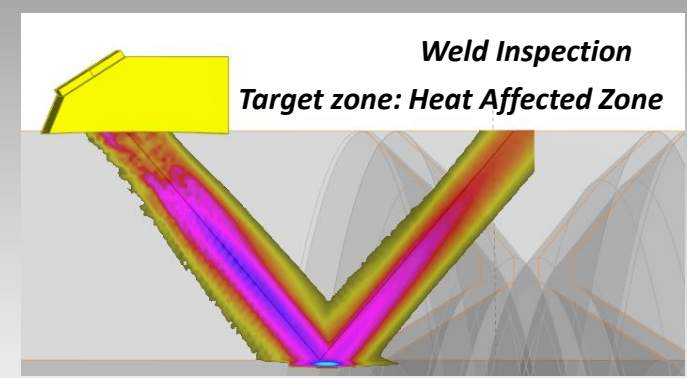
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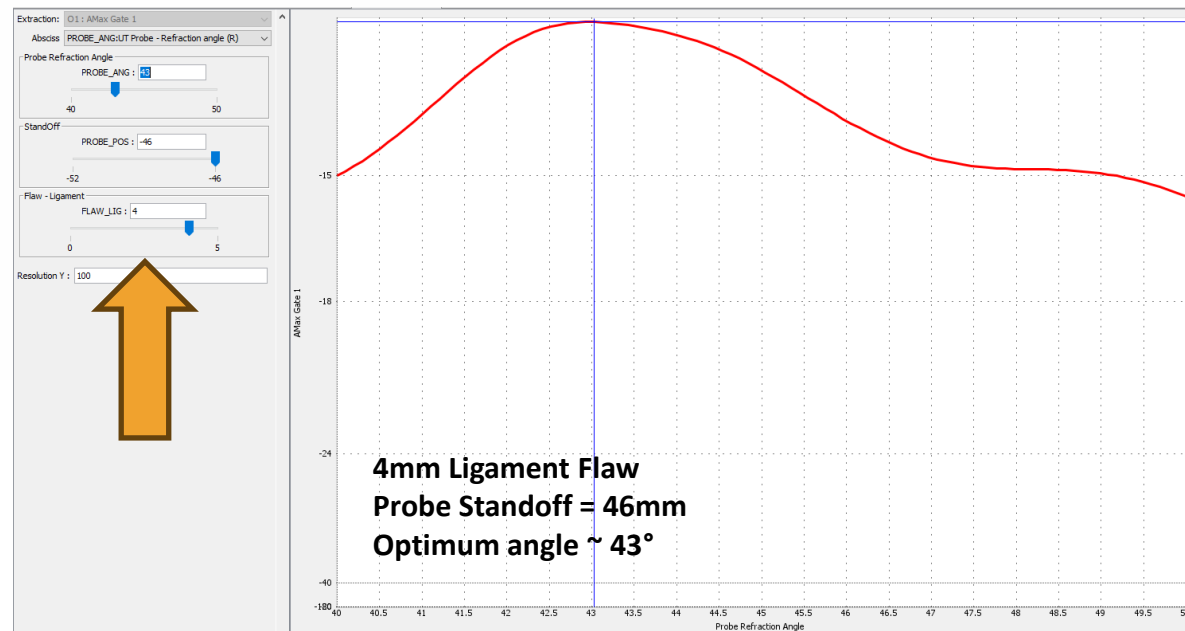


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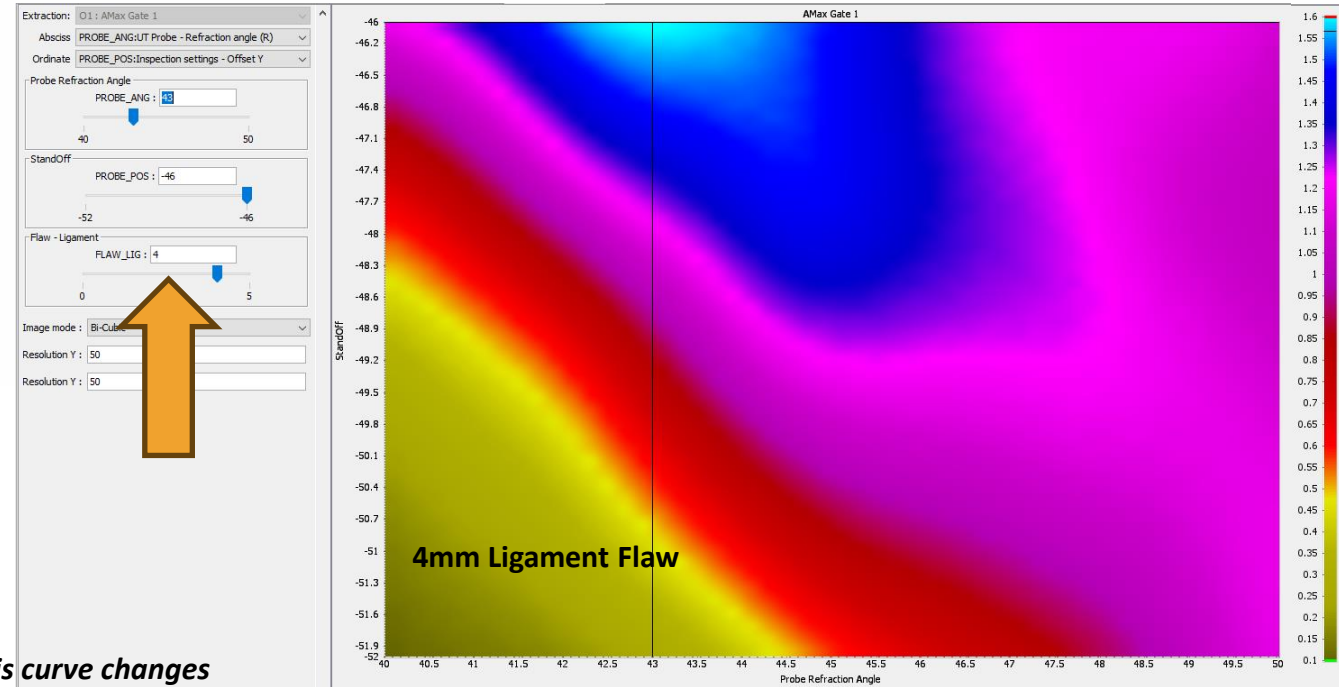
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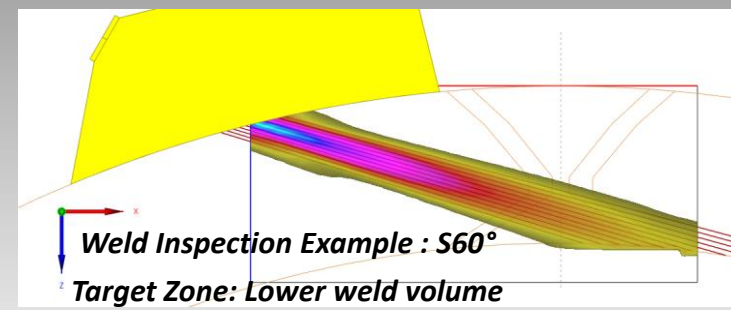
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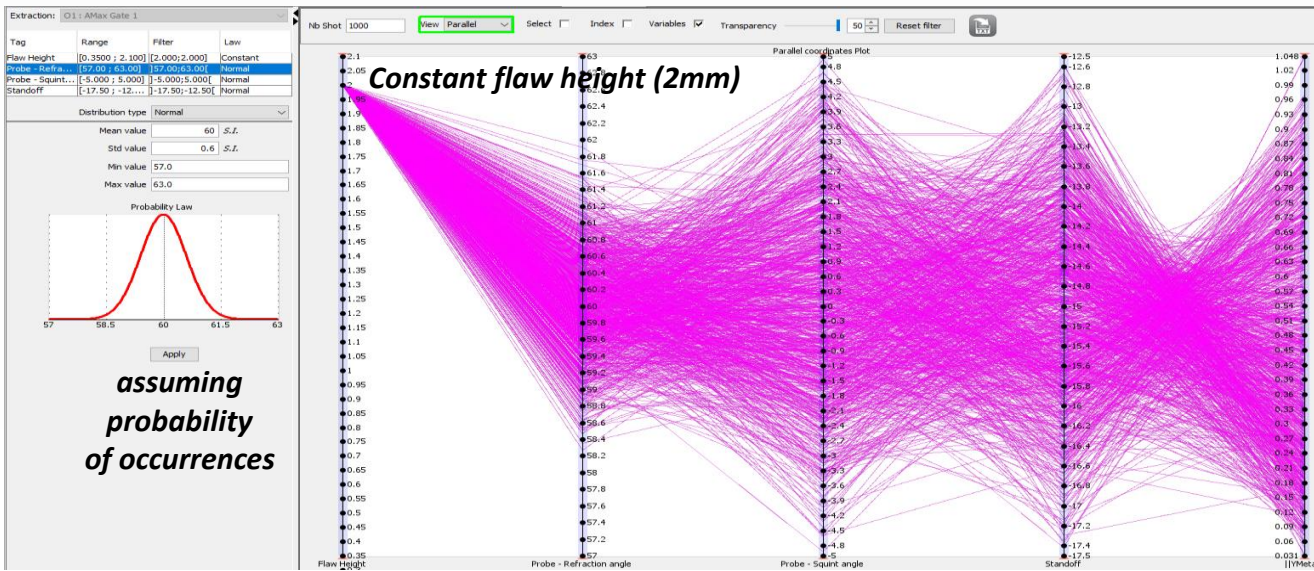


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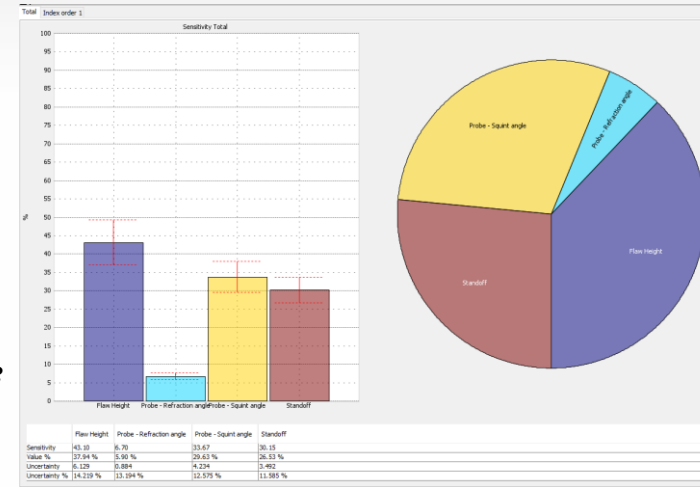
- Multidimensional analysis with parallel plots

Impact of 4 parameters on signal amplitude for N trials (here 1000)



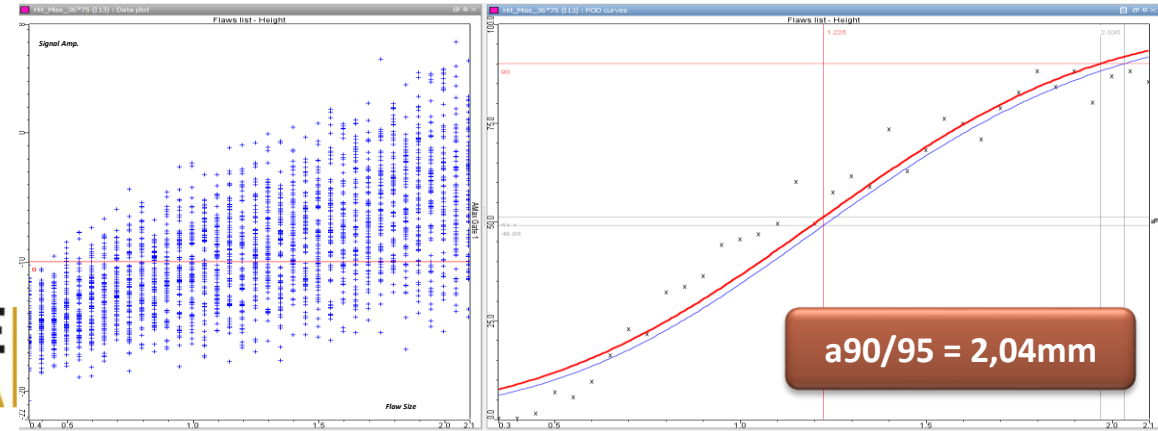
assuming probability of occurrences

- Influential parameters' "ranking" : Sobol Indices:



Outcome values

- POD Curves: You can try different hypotheses for parameters



Hybrid Models in UT : SA - FEM

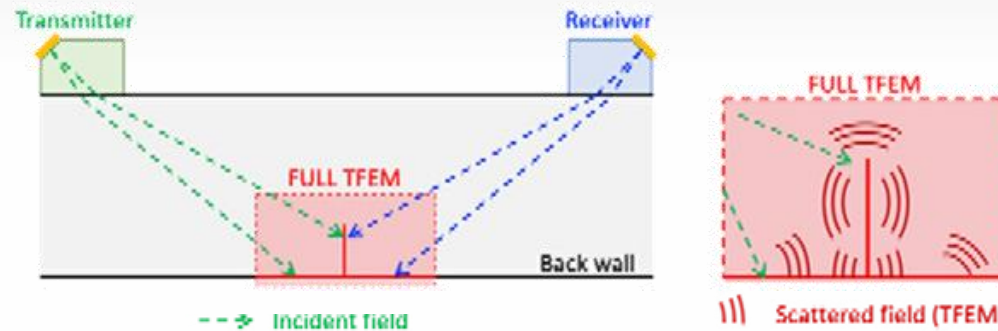
Hybrid models in CIVA UT « FE GRID » :

ALREADY IMPLEMENTED IN CIVA PLATFORM

- Objective: Overcome limitations of semi analytical models for beam/flaw interactions
- Principle : Sound propagation still modelled by pencil models + « local FE » box around discontinuities

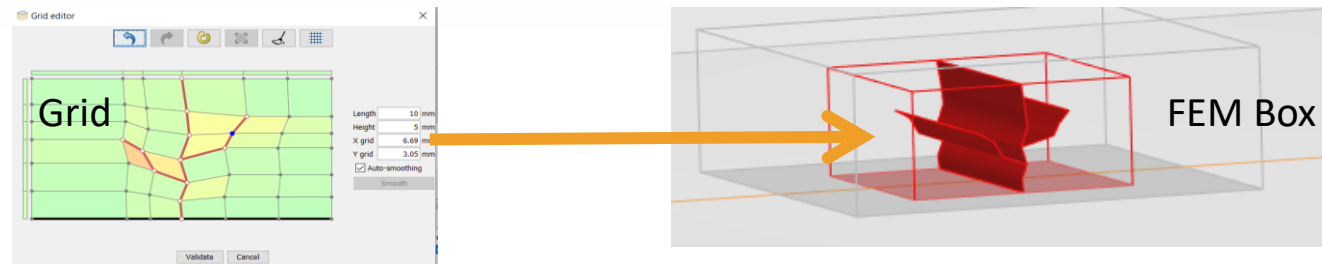
ADVANTAGES:

Still quite fast. More accuracy to simulate flaws smaller than wavelength, specific waves phenomena around critical angles, interactions between flaws, etc.



PML boundary conditions at box edges (i.e., no reflections)

- Finite Element mesh automatically generated from flaw geometry and surrounding grid

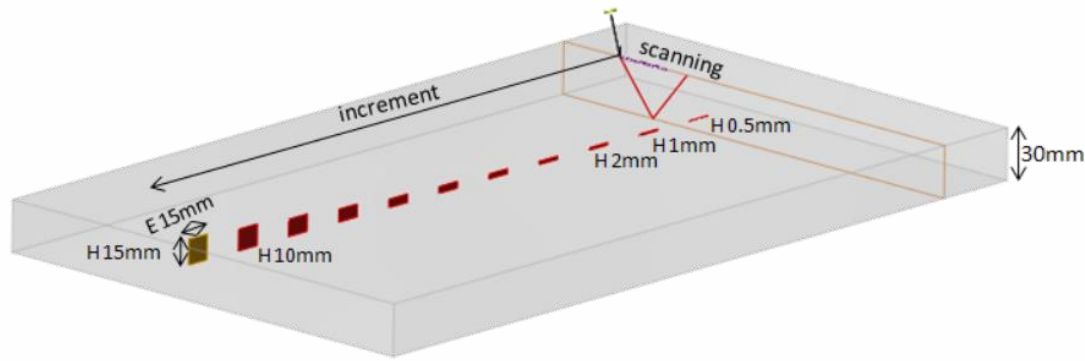


- FEM computations can be made in 2D or 3D

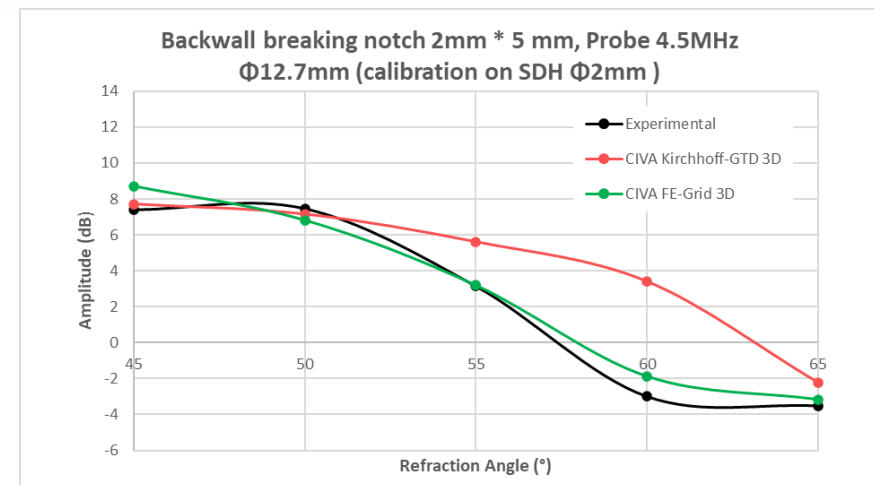
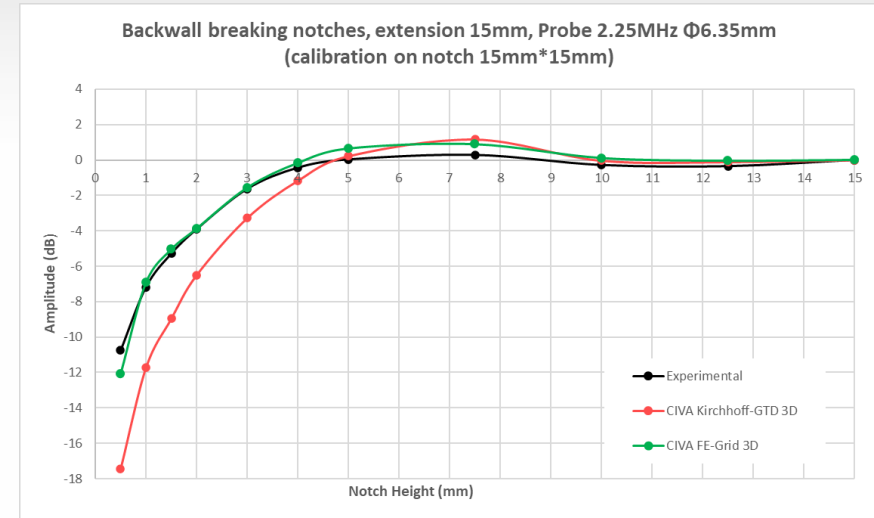
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Hybrid models in CIVA UT:

- Increased accuracy with Hybrid TFEM CIVA model compared to Kirchoff-GTD one*
 - For small notches with respect to wavelength :



- For complex waves phenomena around critical angles

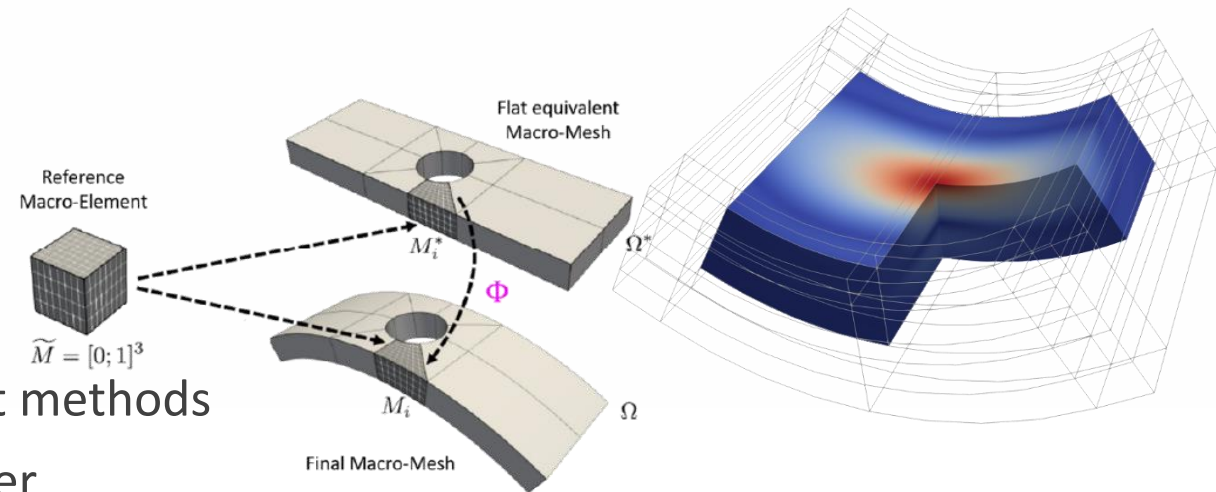


*for more info, refer to CIVAUT
Validation pages on www.extend.com

Finite Element Models in UT

2D/3D Custom Finite Elements for Ultrasonic Inspection models in CIVA:

- Which cases ? When the whole sound beam propagation benefits from a Finite Element model
 - Complex propagation media (very heterogeneous structure)
 - Specific configurations (Transmission, creeping waves at entry surfaces, etc.)
- Which purpose:
 - Qualify “standard” CIVA models
 - Supplement them in critical cases
- Based on High Order Spectral Finite Element methods
- Still no need to manage the mesh for the user
- Compatible with a standard PC, competitive performances for a full FEM solution

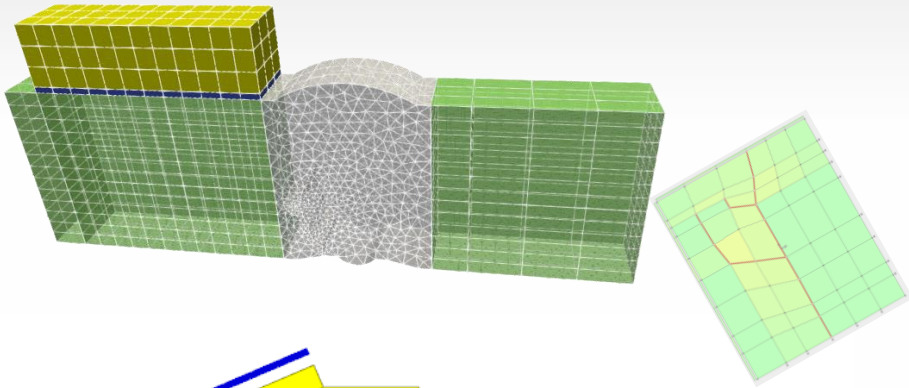


1st version of CIVA UT FEM available in the upcoming release (end of 2024)

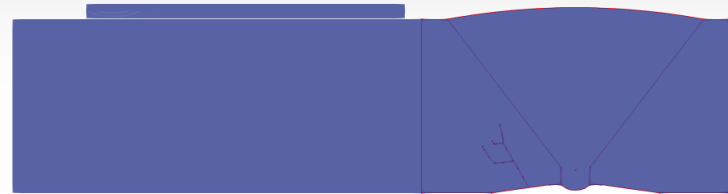
Already implemented for CIVA SHM

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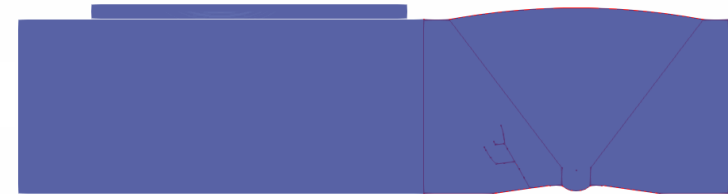
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 - Applications: Austenitic Weld Inspection accounting for weld anisotropy and heterogeneities



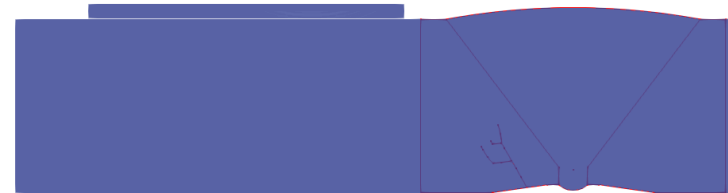
Shot 1



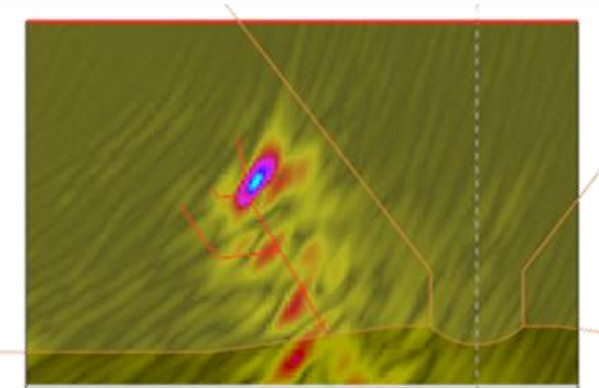
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Shot 64



FMC Simulation

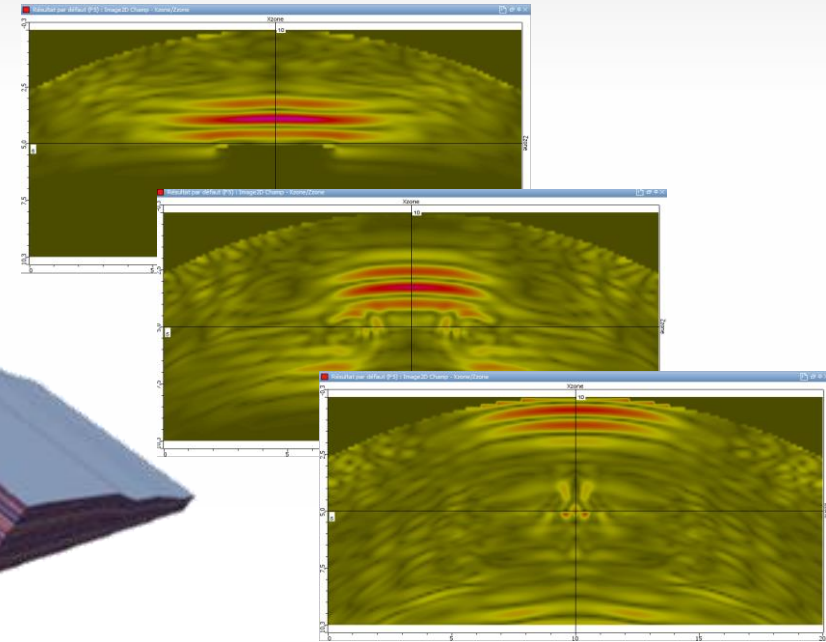
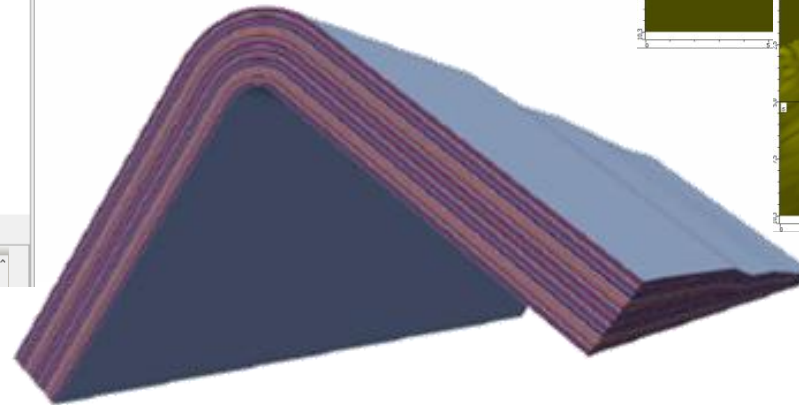
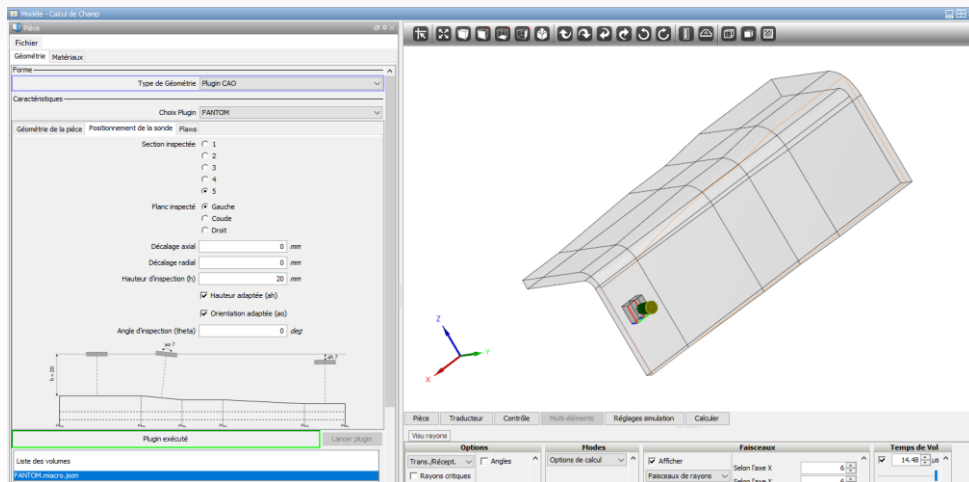


T-Scan (TFM image)
T-wave mode (2MHz)



Finite Element Models in UT

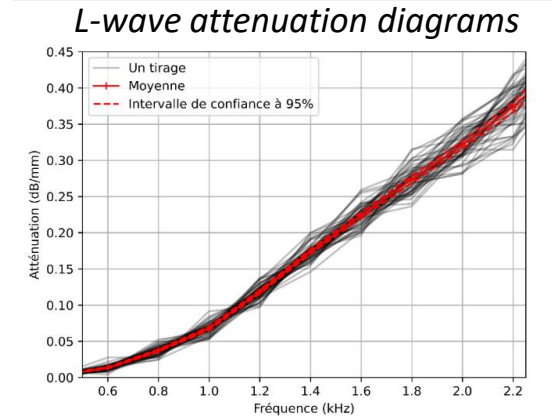
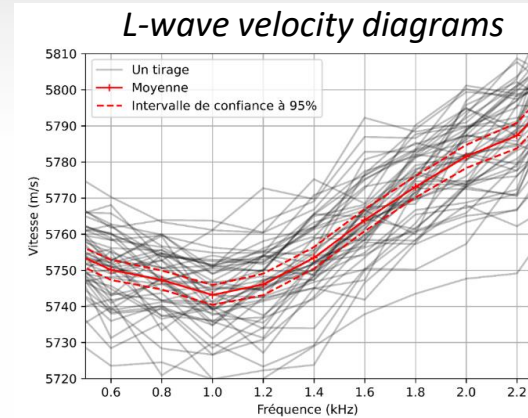
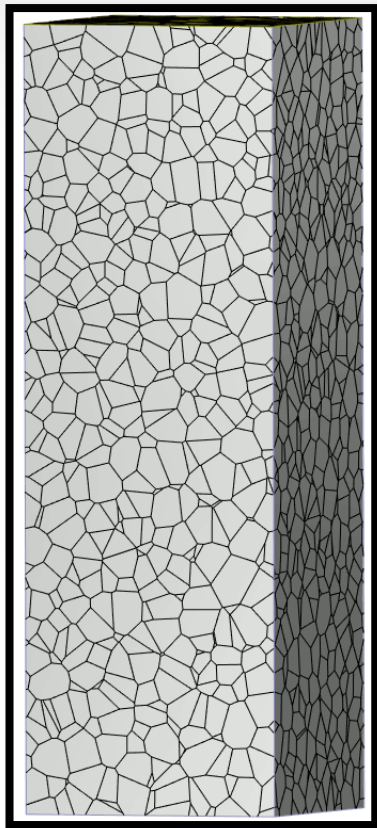
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 - Applications: LO inspection of curved, stratified composites
 - Field and signal simulation in presence of a delamination



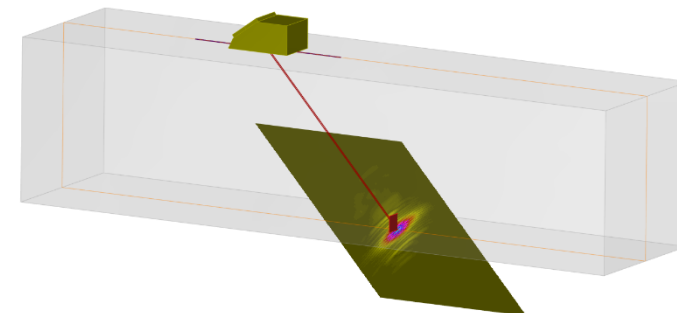
Stratified simulated sample & ultrasonic field snapshots in presence of a delamination

Finite Element Models in UT

- | 2D/3D Custom Finite Elements for Ultrasonic Inspection models in CIVA:
 - Applications: Modelling the heterogeneous micro-structure of a concrete block



Automatic post-processing for characterization



Random generation of parametric microstructures

FEM simulation of planar wave propagation



Import of equivalent material properties for fast simulation with SA models

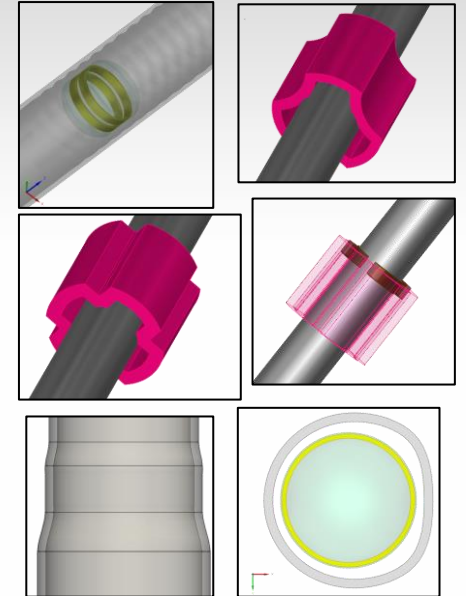
Finite Element Models...and out of CIVA UT ?

In other CIVA modules, fully numerical models are also available:

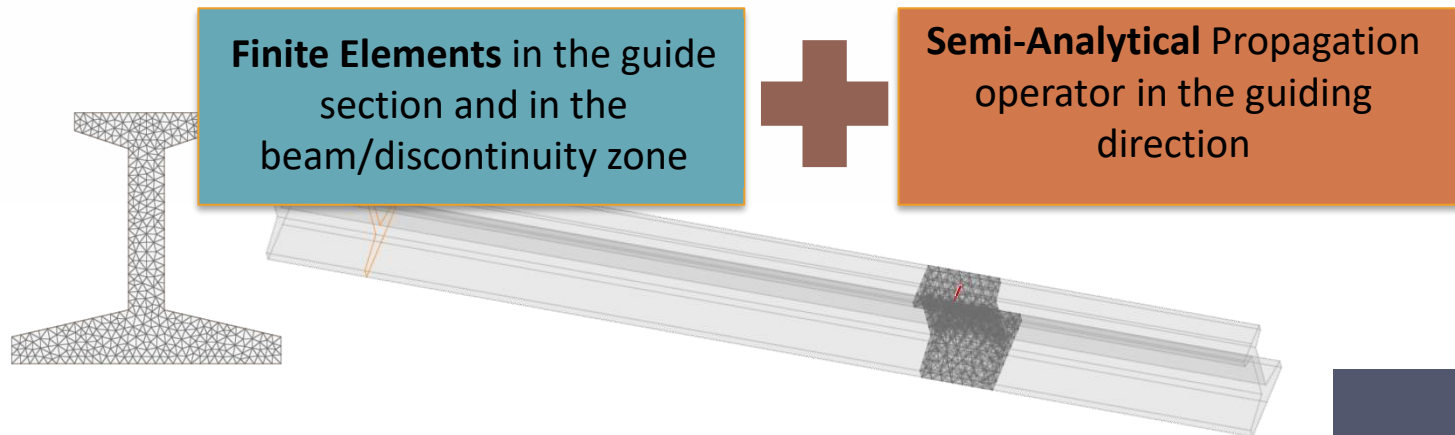


Within CIVA ET :

- **SG Tube module** is based on 3D Boundary Element Method :
Dedicated to Steam Generator Tubes Inspection
(complex) use cases (*see. Pres. Edouard Demaldent Thursday Session*)

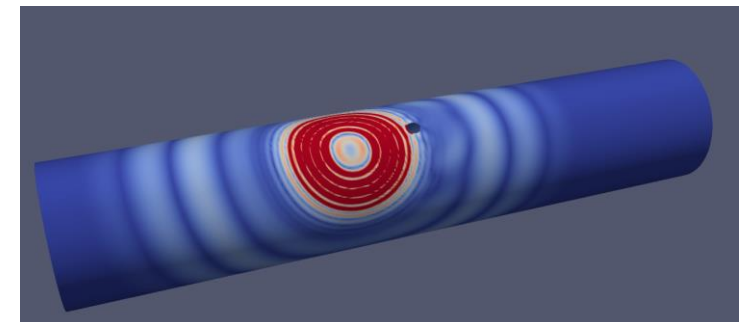


CIVA **GWT**: « SA-FE » hybrid approach



CIVA **SHM**: Full 3D Spectral Finite Elements method

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Conclusion

| CIVA :

- Well established solution for NDT simulation,
- Recognized for its ability to **simulate efficiently a large scope of NDT applications**,
- Result of a strategy that prioritized semi-analytical models and continuous research efforts that pushes these models to its limits.

| To overcome potential limitations and provide reference results, CIVA now includes more and more tools based on fully numerical models such as **Finite Elements** or **hybrid approaches**

| CIVA also involves **metamodeling** capabilities:
Physical models are then used to build surrogate models which provide real time simulation capabilities.

A key feature when massive data are necessary → **Data Science** and IA applications

