

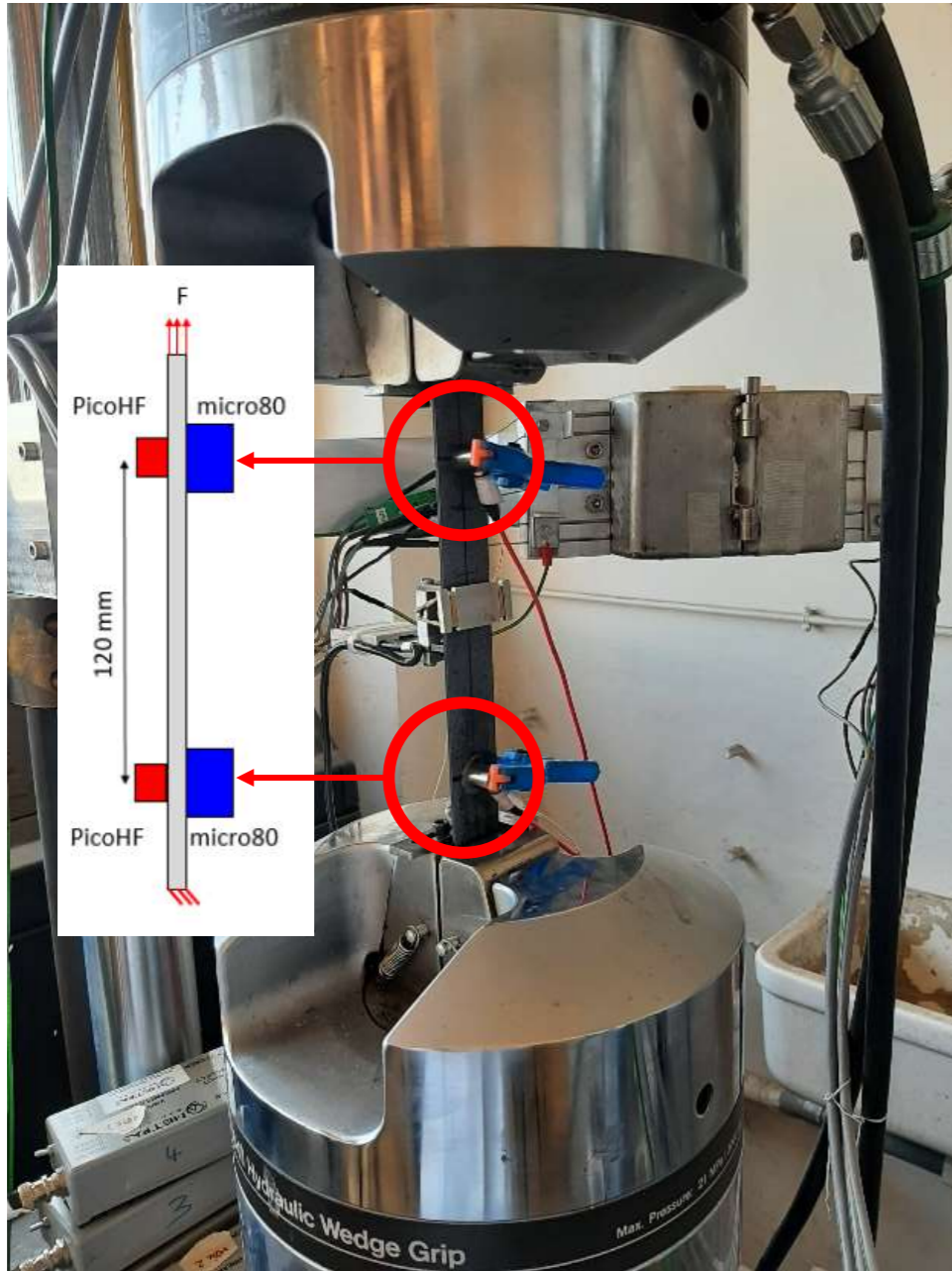
Simulation of damage induced acoustic emission in laminates

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Acoustic emission testing



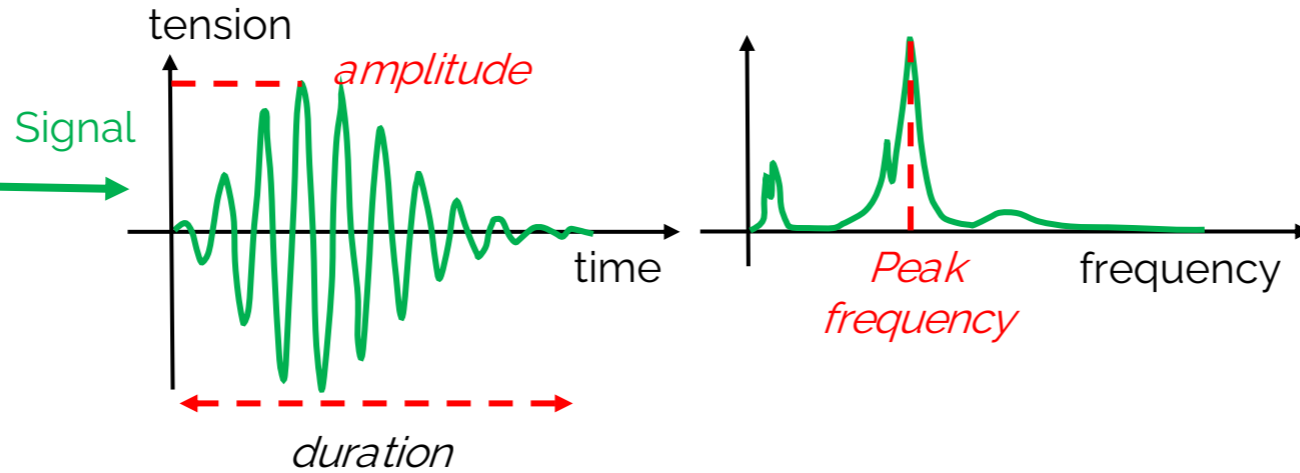
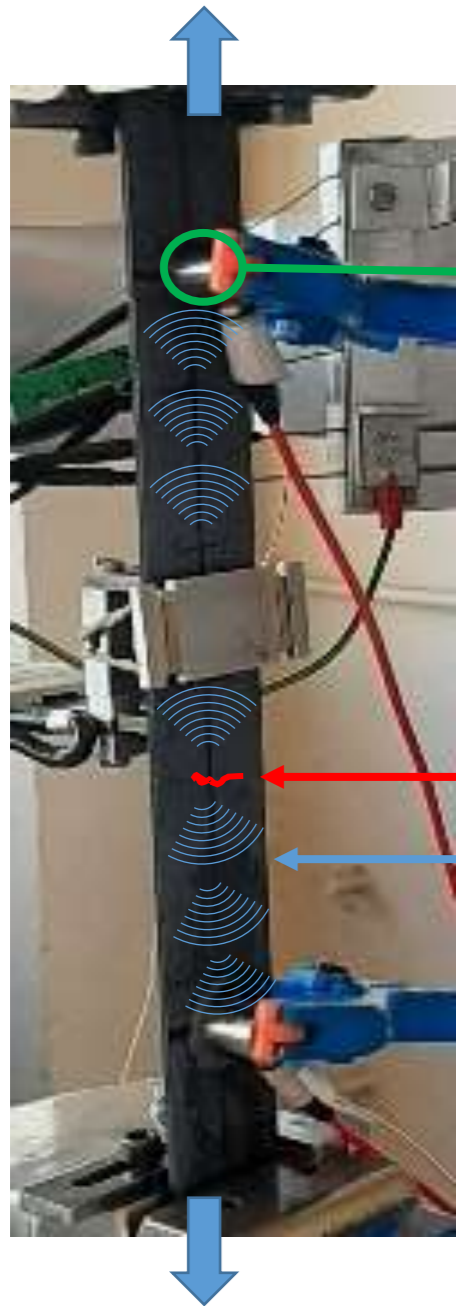
Material

- ❑ $[0_n/90_n/0_n]$ laminates
- ❑ 0.3 mm thick Hexply[®] 8552 plies
- ❑ Epoxy resin/AS4 carbon fiber (60% v_f)

Instrumentation

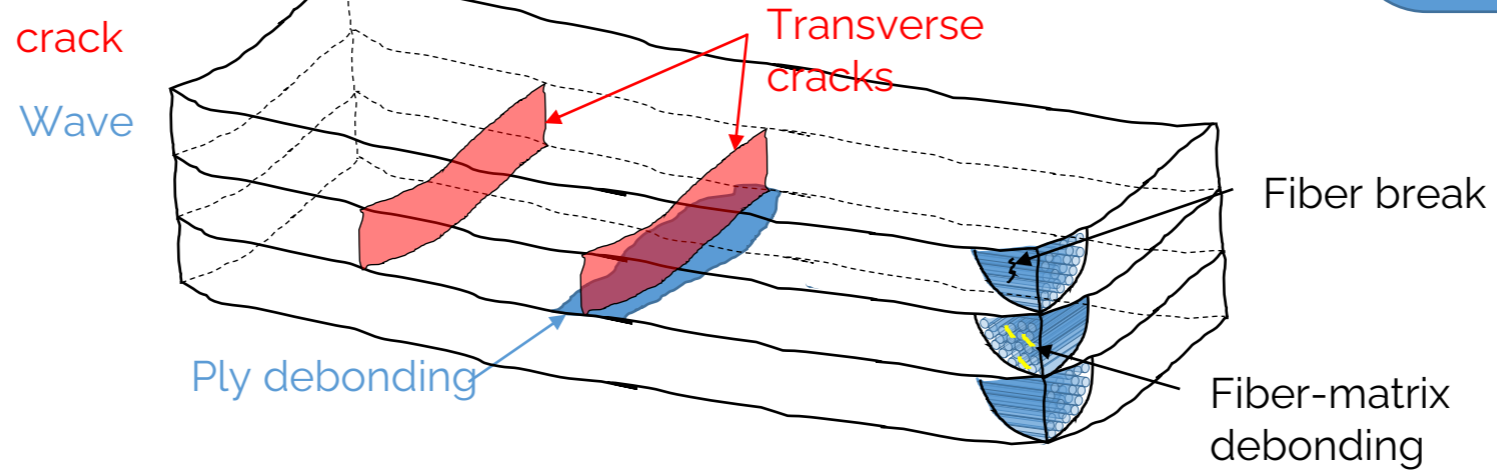
- ❑ 2 micro80 sensors (Mistras Group, Princeton, NJ, USA)
- ❑ 2 picoHF sensors (Mistras Group, Princeton, NJ, USA).

Acoustic emission (AE)

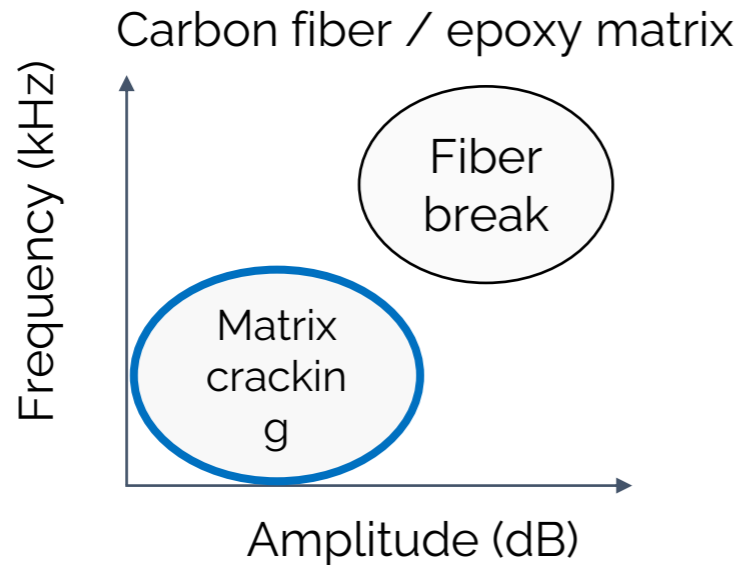


Can we establish a link between one damage mechanism and the corresponding AE signal ?

☐ Several damage mechanisms in laminates



AE – damage mechanisms classification



❖ Acoustic signal **classification approaches**

Anastassopoulos *et al.*,
Non Des. Test., **1996**

❖ Limits:
⇒ Lot of experiments needed

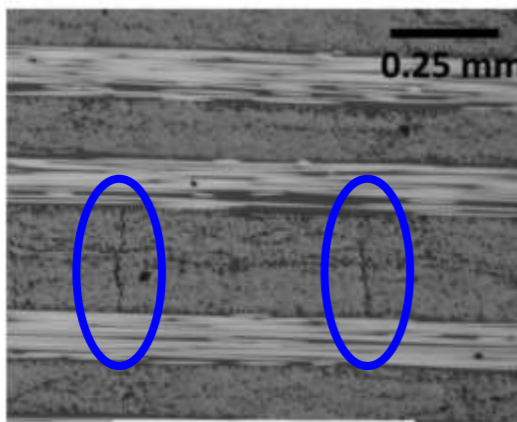
Morizet *et al.*,
Mech. Sys. Sig. Proc., **2016**

⇒ **Material/equipment dependence**

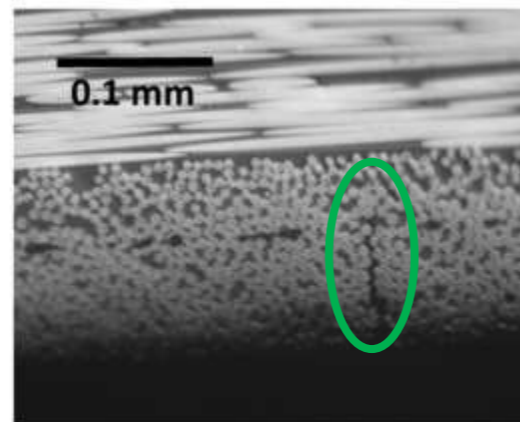
Godin *et al.*,
App. Sci., **2018**

⇒ Validation of quantitative links
between damage mechanisms and signals?

Baker *et al.*,
CST, **2015**



(c) Panel 3 double 90°
Interior Cracks



(d) Panel 4 Surface 90° Crack

Baker *et al.*, *CST*, **2015**

(1) Surface 90 ply cracking

→ low PF and low FC

(2) Inner 90 ply cracking

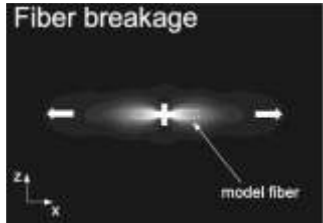
→ higher frequency content

→ Numerical simulation to gain
confidence in experimental
approaches

PF ... Peak Frequency
FC ... Frequency centroid

Acoustic Emission simulation

Media + source

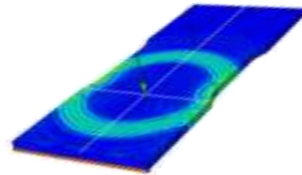


Sause et al.,
JNDE, 2010



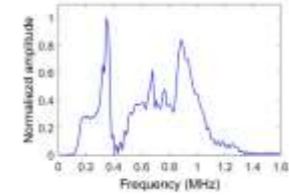
Zelenyak et al.,
Ultrasonics, 2018

Wave propagation
Acoustic signals

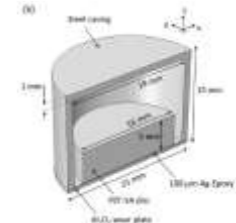


Le Gall et al.,
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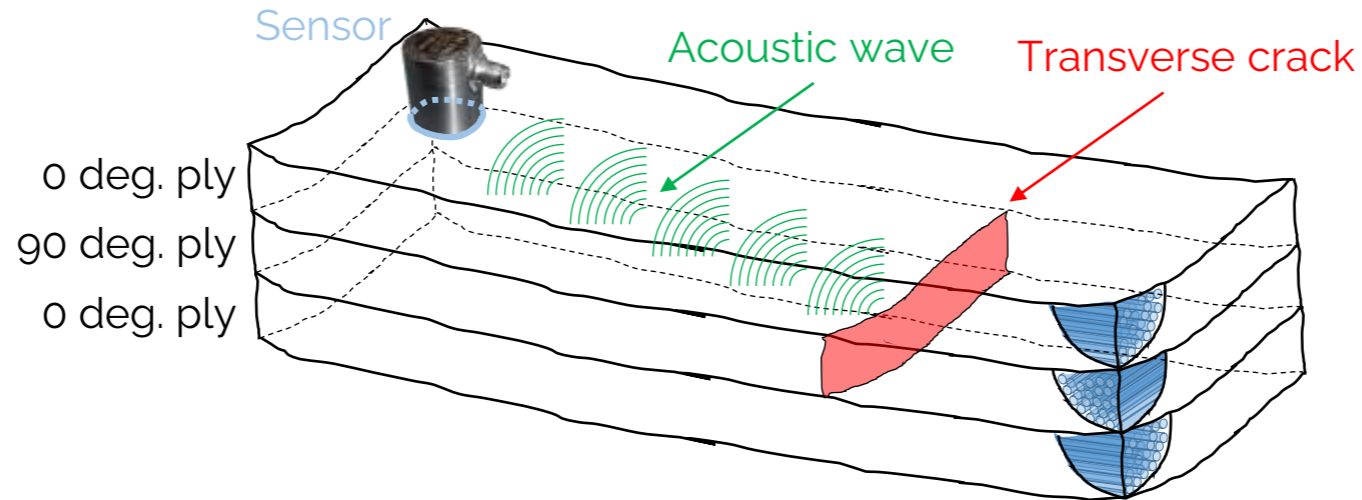
Sensor + acquisition chain



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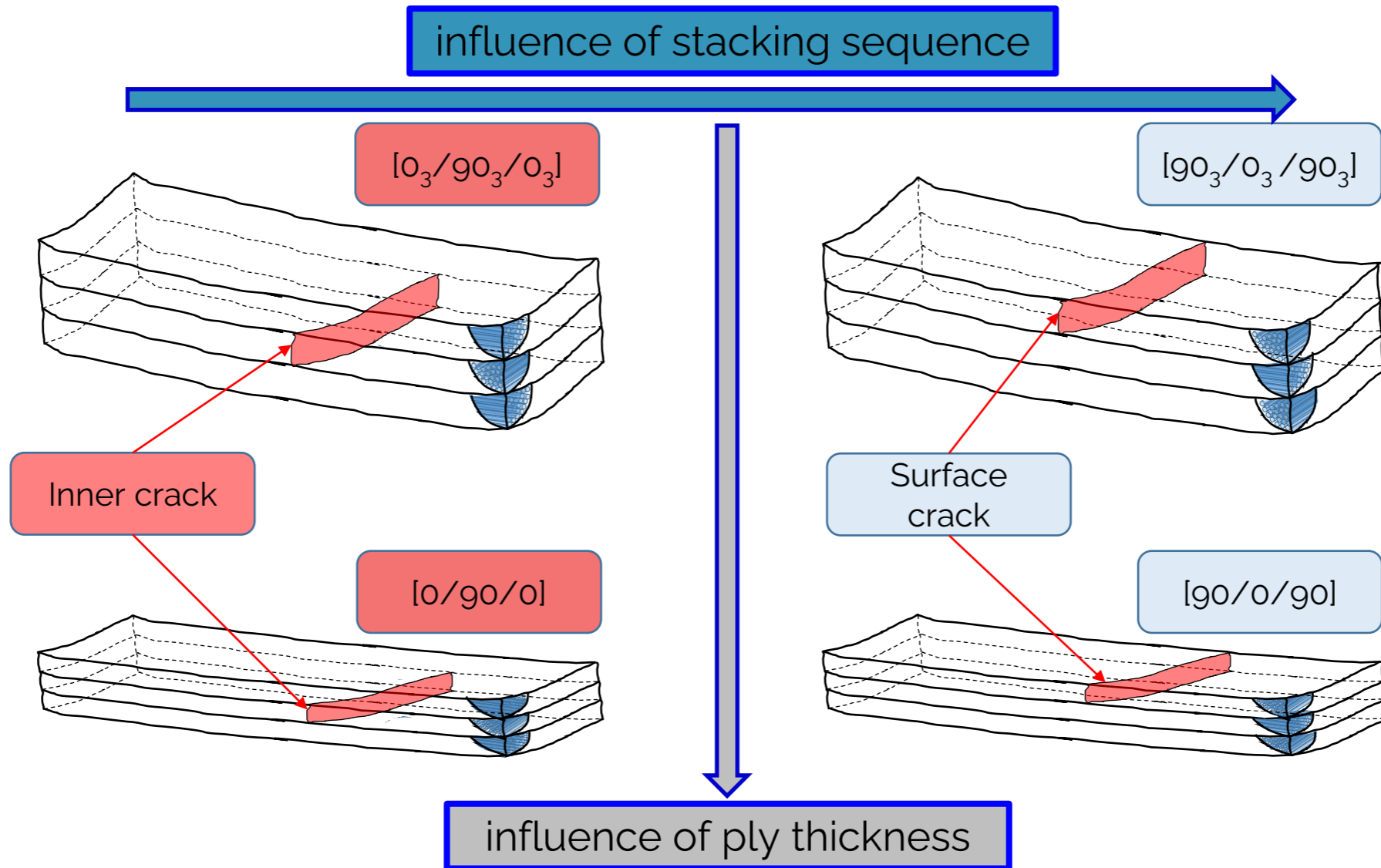


Sause et al.,
S&A, 2018



Objective

- Identify the acoustic signature of transverse crack in $[0_n/90_n/0_n]$ or $[90_n/0_n/90_n]$ ($n=1$ or 3)

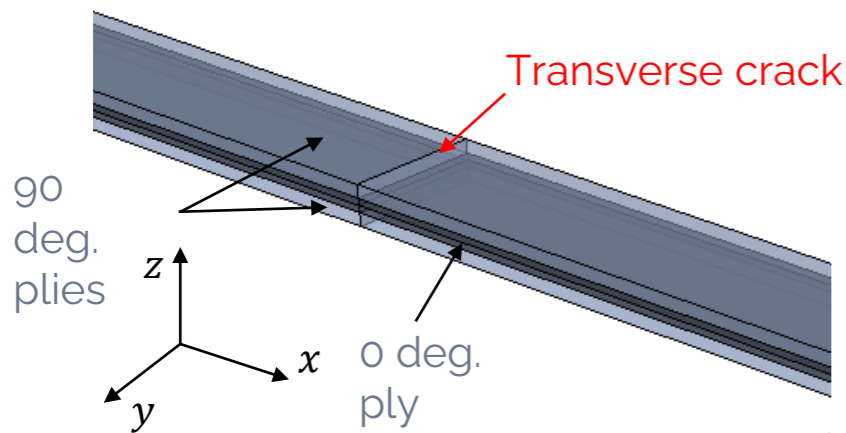


Media and source simulation

Media + source

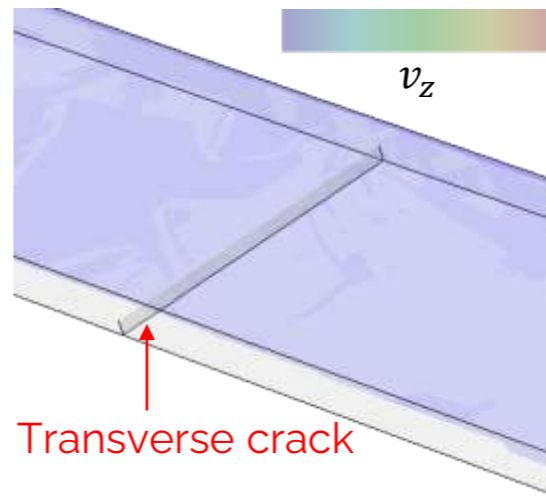
- $[0_n/90_n/0_n]$ or $[90_n/0_n/90_n]$
n=1 or 3
- Transverse crack initiation
- Coupled criterion to determine the transverse crack initiation loading

Leguillon,
EJMAS, 2002



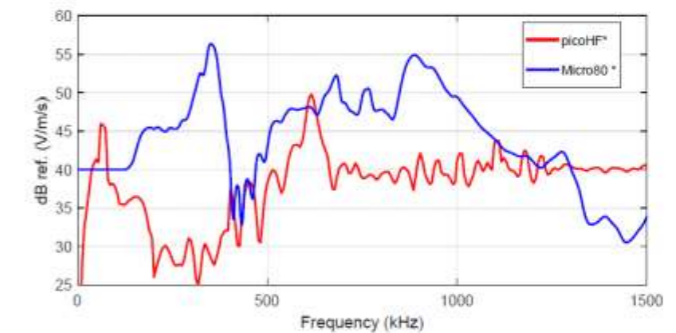
Wave propagation Acoustic signals

- Static loading step
- Node release to open the crack
- Implicit dynamic wave propagation step



Sensor + acquisition chain

- Perfect point sensor
- Sensor influence through frequency response curve + sensitivity function



Influence of the ply thickness (theory)

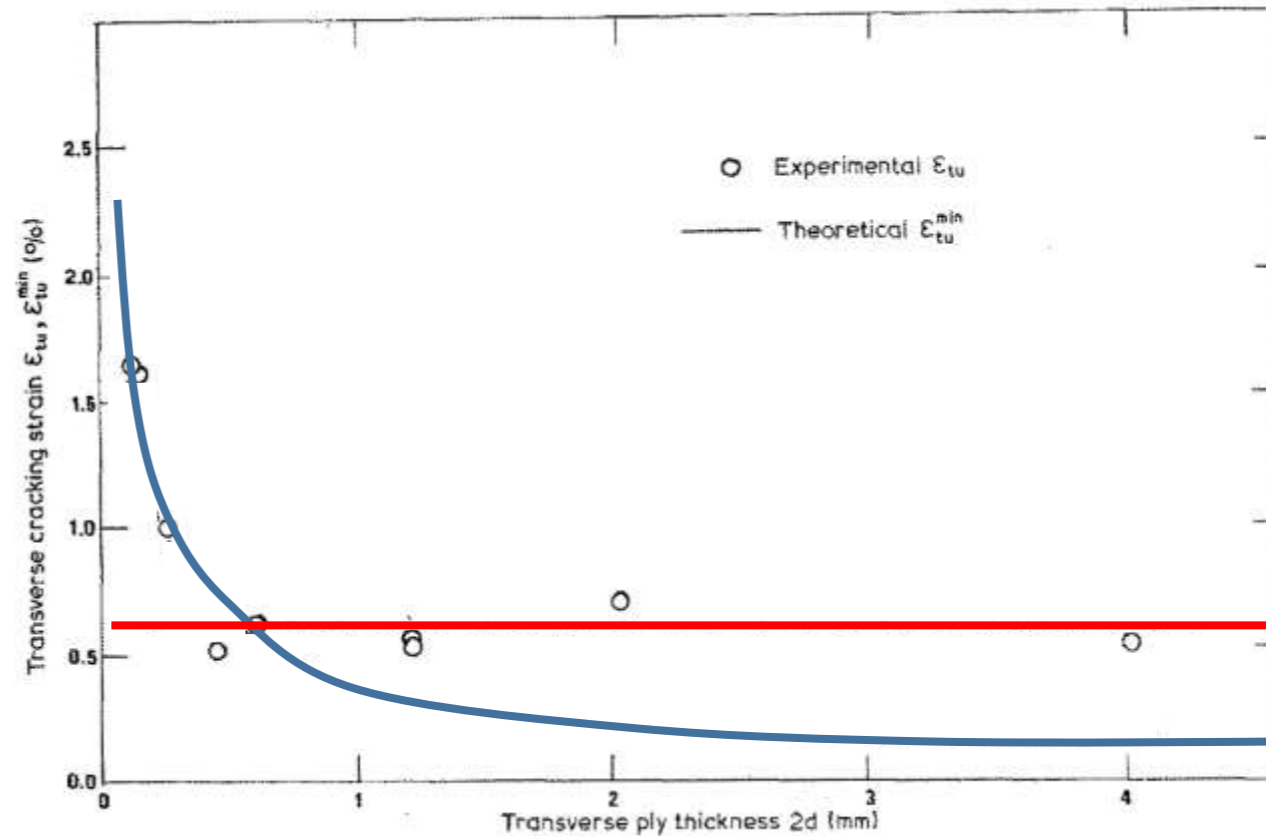
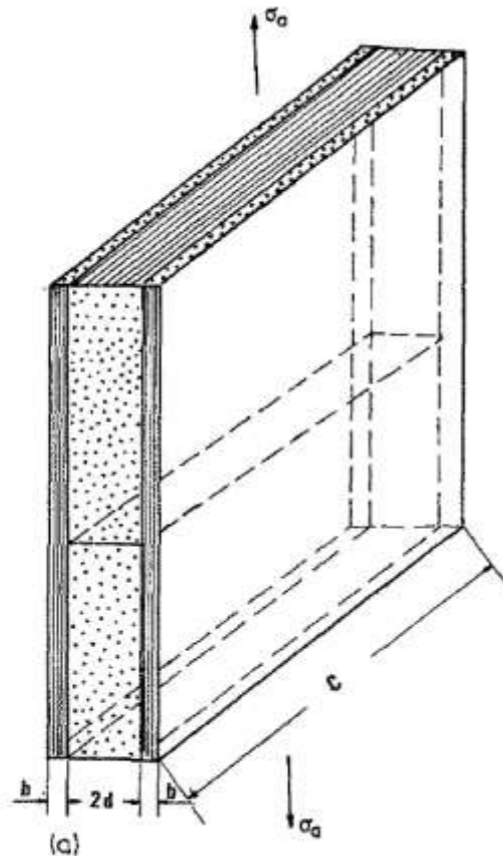
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Nairn, *IJF*, 2000

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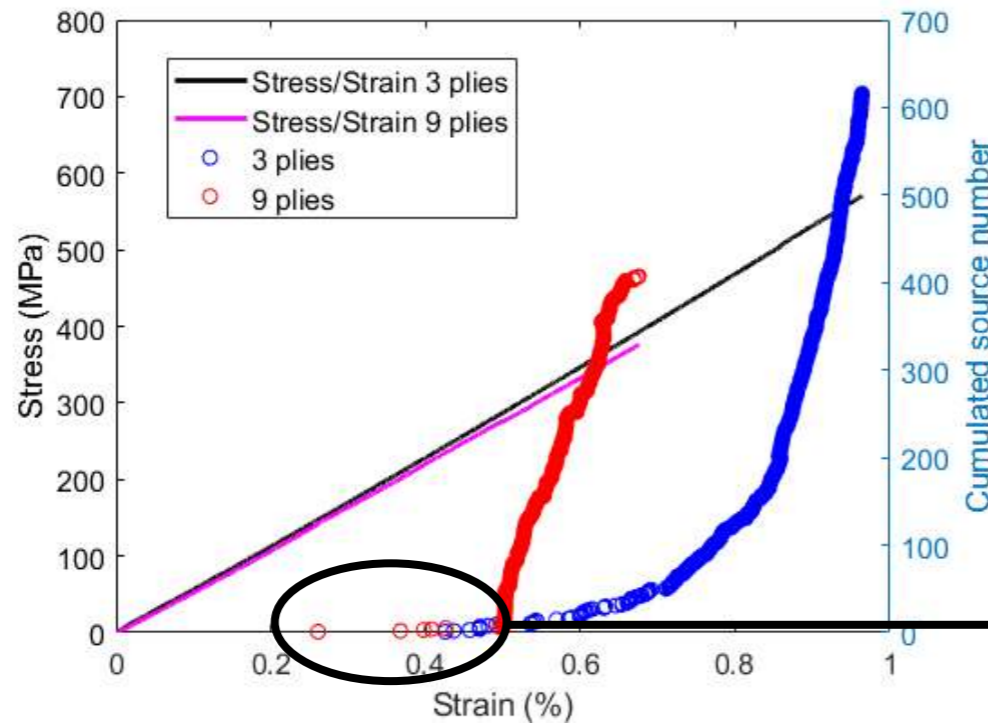
Parvizi, *JMS*, 1978



Influence of the ply thickness (experiments)

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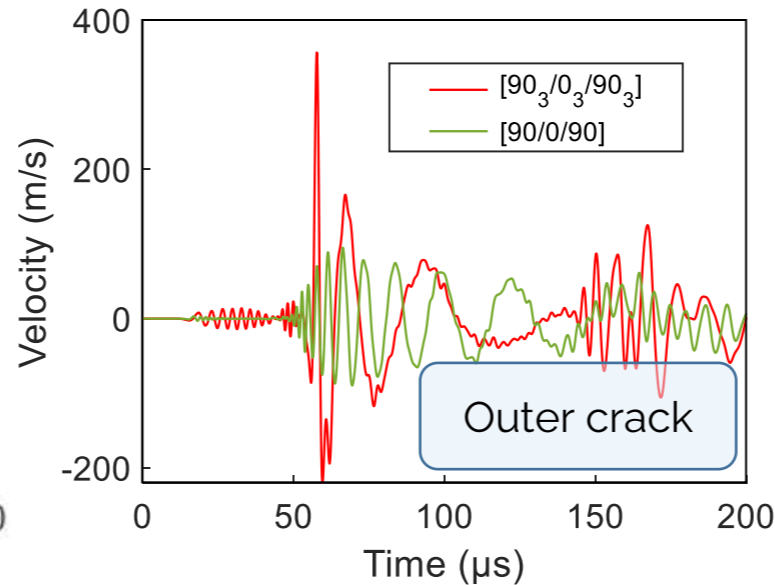
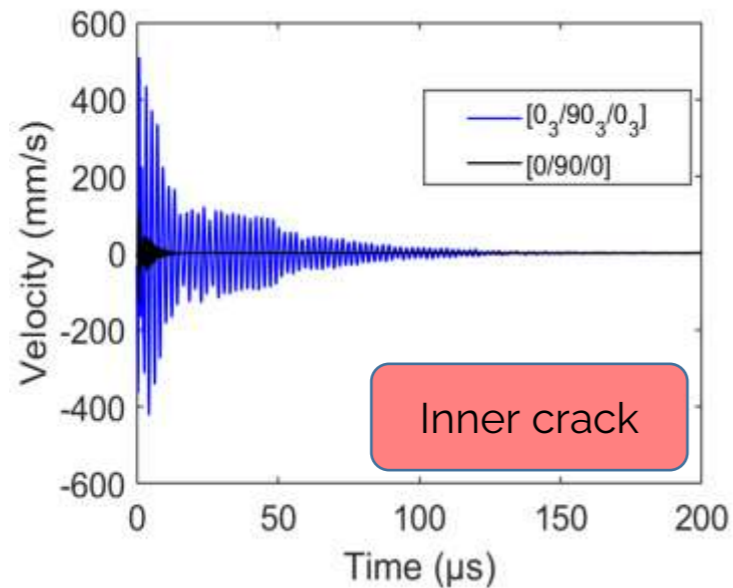
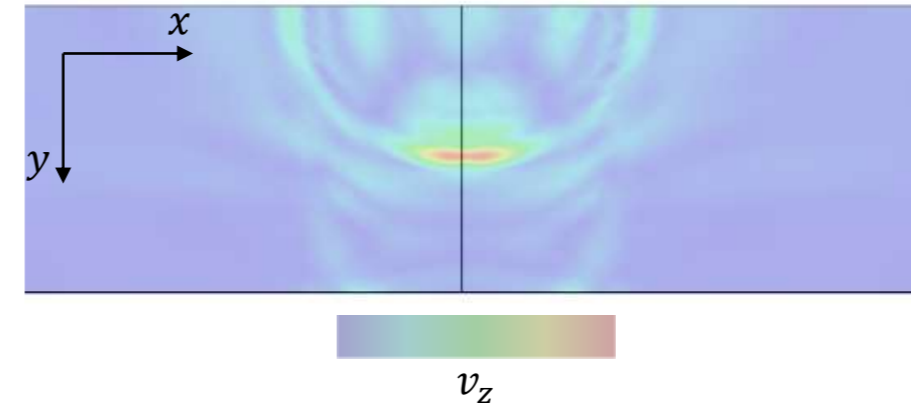
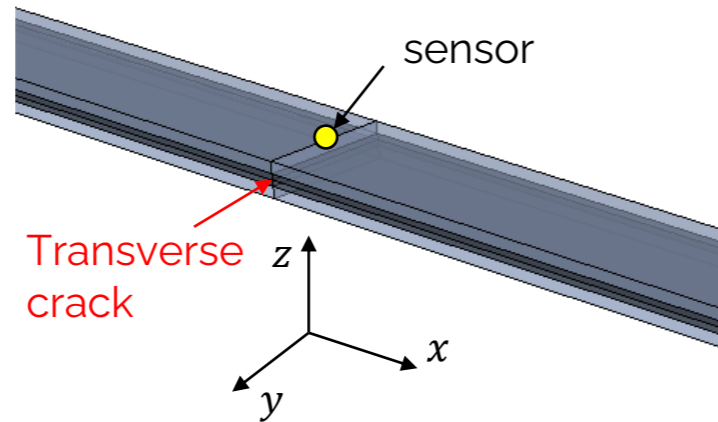


Configuration	Total thickness	Strain at first transverse crack
[0/90/0]	0.9 mm	0.007
[0 ₃ /90 ₃ /0 ₃]	2.7 mm	0.0025
[90/0/90]	0.9 mm	0.004
[90 ₃ /0 ₃ /90 ₃]	2.7 mm	0.0025

Higher loading at first acoustic event for thinner ply

Influence of the ply thickness (simulation)

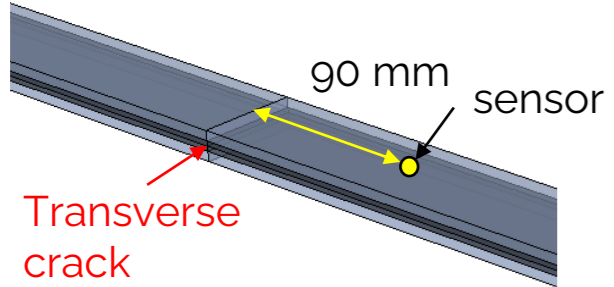
□ Perfect sensor located at crack epicenter



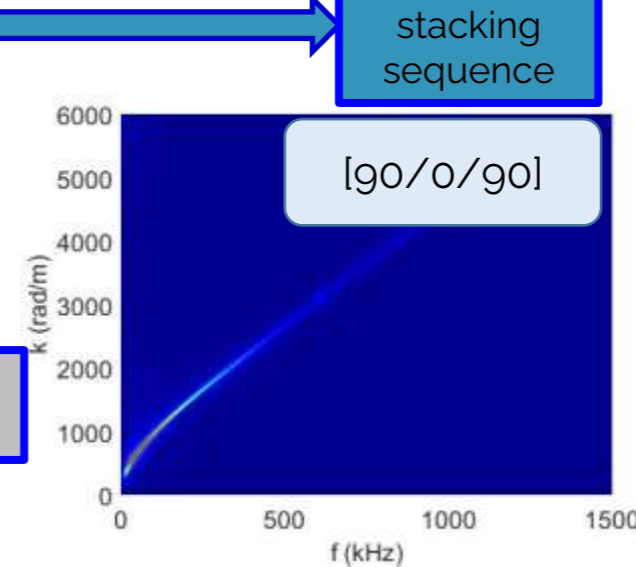
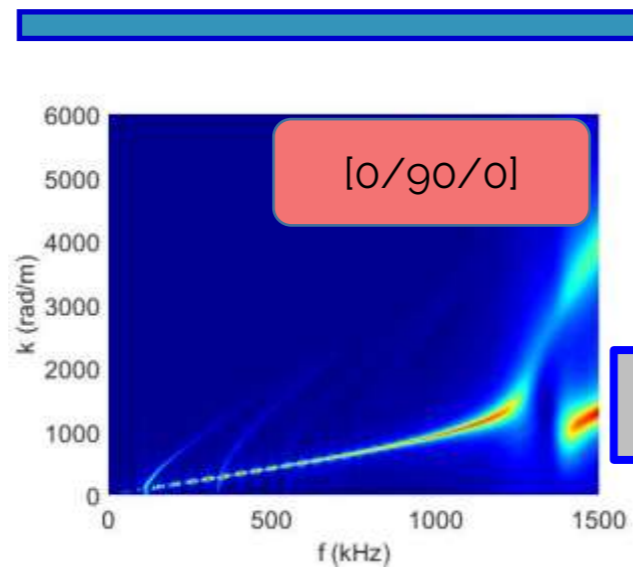
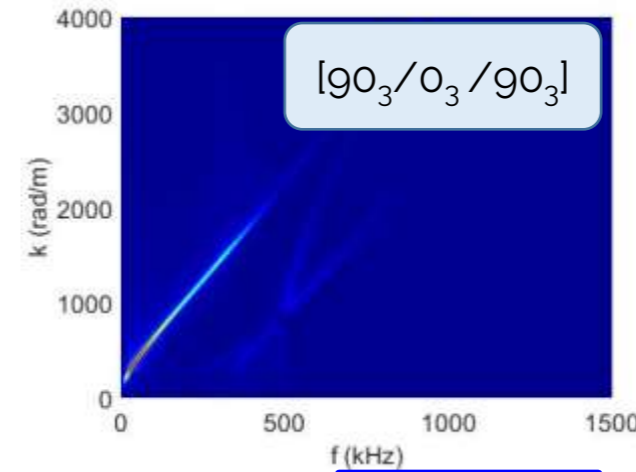
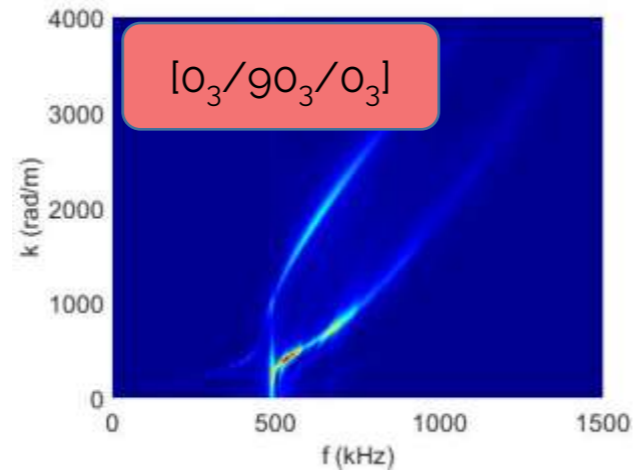
□ Signals qualitatively quite different (closer) for inner (surface) crack

✓ Larger cracked area → higher amplitude

Ply thickness/Stacking sequence



2D FFT → excited modes



influence of stacking sequence

influence of ply thickness

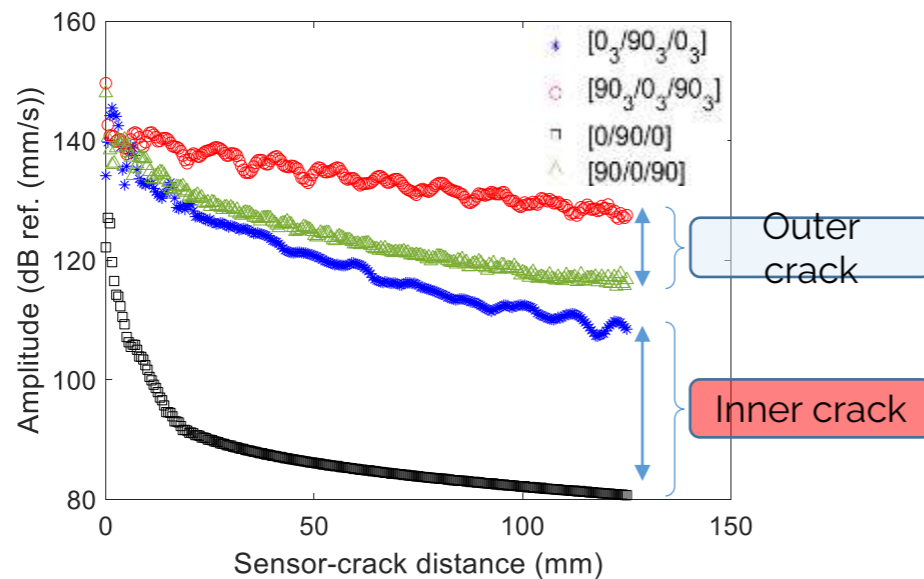
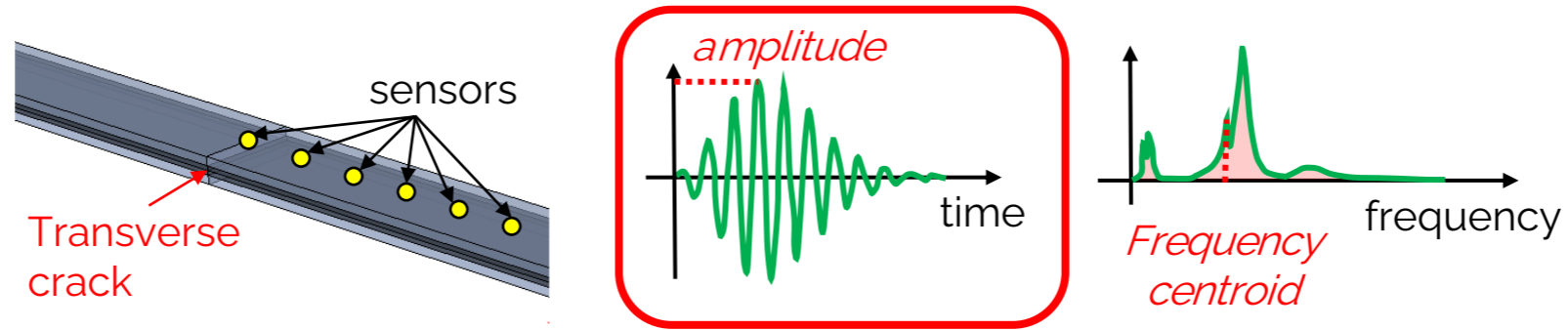
- High frequency, symmetric modes for inner cracks, frequency content depending on the ply thickness

- Low-frequency, antisymmetric modes for outer cracks, similar frequency content

- Symmetric mode also excited for outer crack depending on the thickness

Influence of the source-sensor distance

- Perfect sensor located at several distances from the source



- Amplitude decrease with wave propagation (damping)

influence of stacking sequence

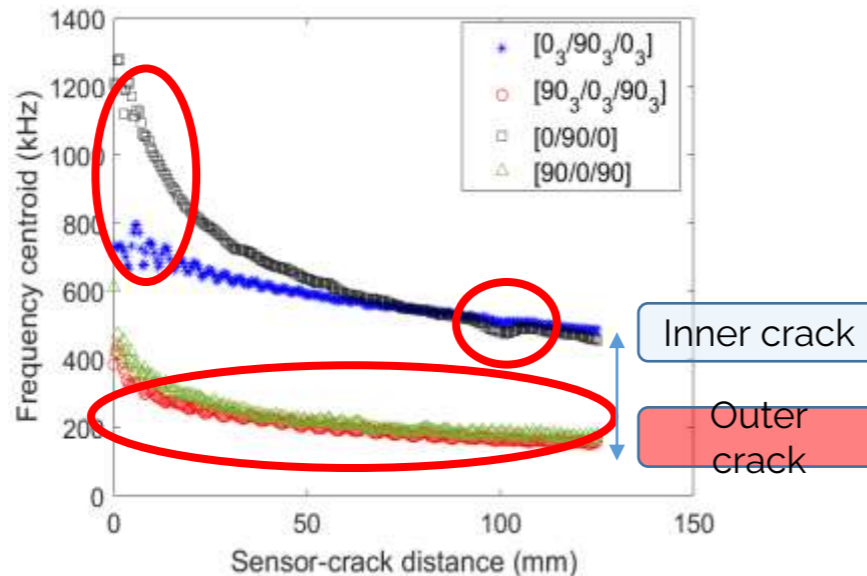
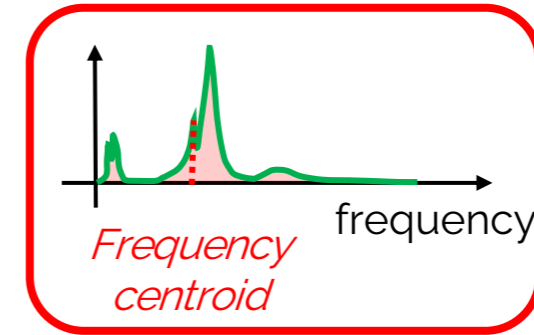
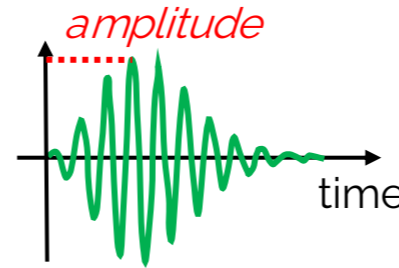
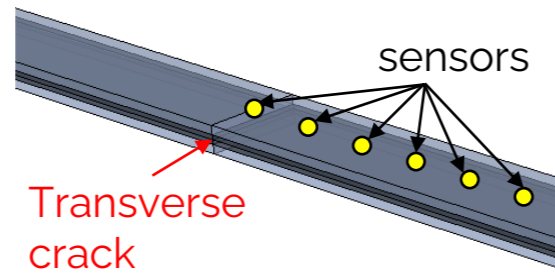
- Higher amplitude for outer cracks

influence of ply thickness

- Thickness \rightarrow Amplitude difference whatever the distance

Influence of the source-sensor distance

- Perfect sensor located at several distances from the source



- Frequency decrease with wave propagation (damping)

influence of stacking

- sequence
- Frequency content difference between outer and inner cracks

influence of ply

- thickness
- Outer crack → Same frequency content whatever the thickness
- Inner crack → frequency content different close to the source, similar far from it

Summary/conclusions

- ❑ **No univocal link** between transverse cracking and the acquired AE signal
- ❑ Transverse cracking AE signals strongly depend on the **stacking sequence/ crack position** within the thickness
- ❑ Outer ply thickness has a limited influence on transverse cracking EA signals
- ❑ **Inner ply thickness** has a strong influence on signals only if the sensor is close to the source
- ❑ Inner and outer ply cracking could be considered **as two different damage mechanisms** in classification approaches

Any Questions?

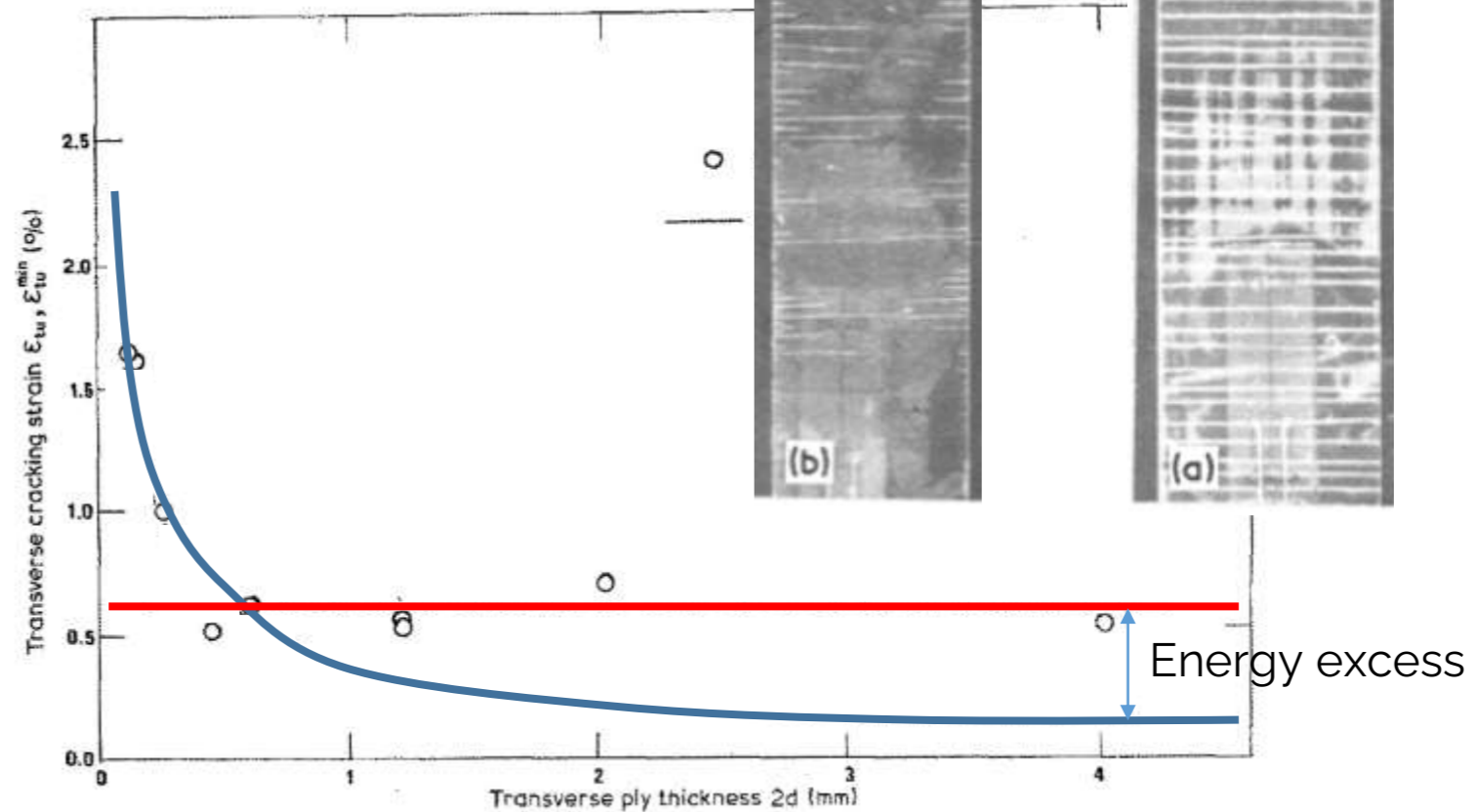
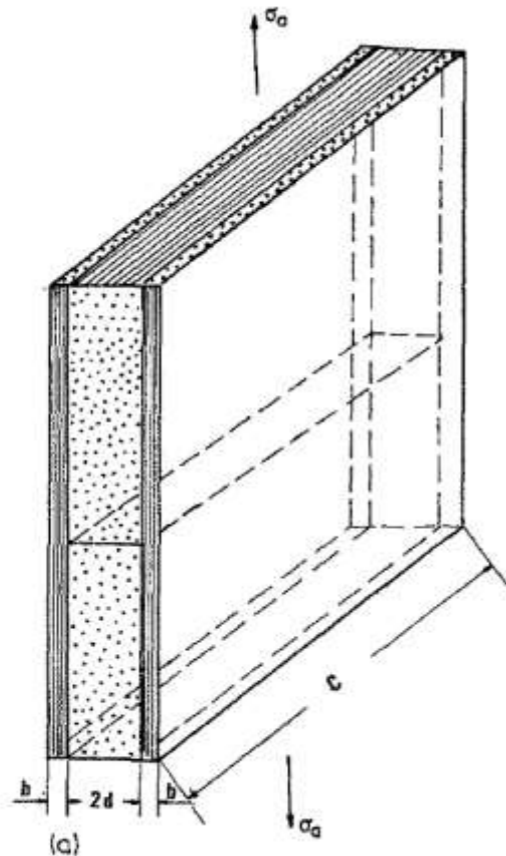
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- ❖ Large plies: energy excess => multiple cracks



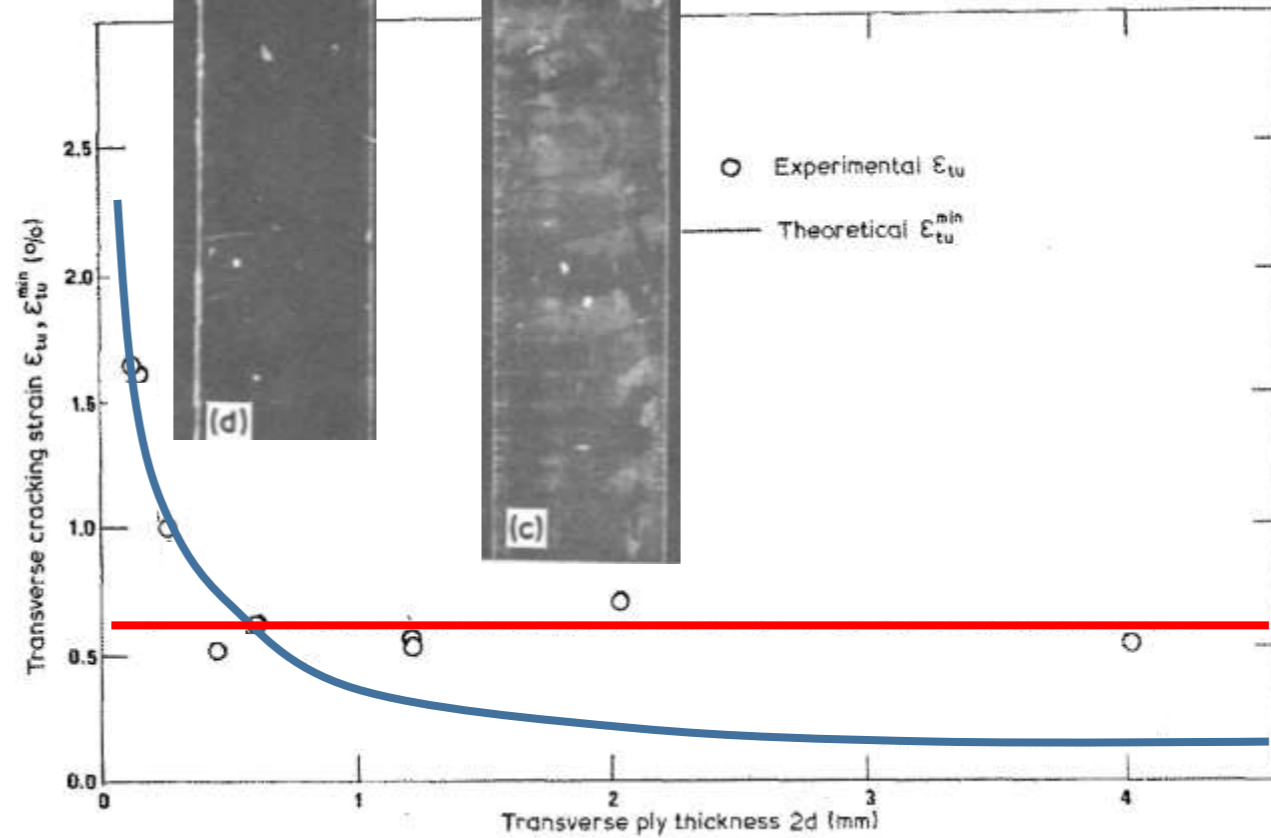
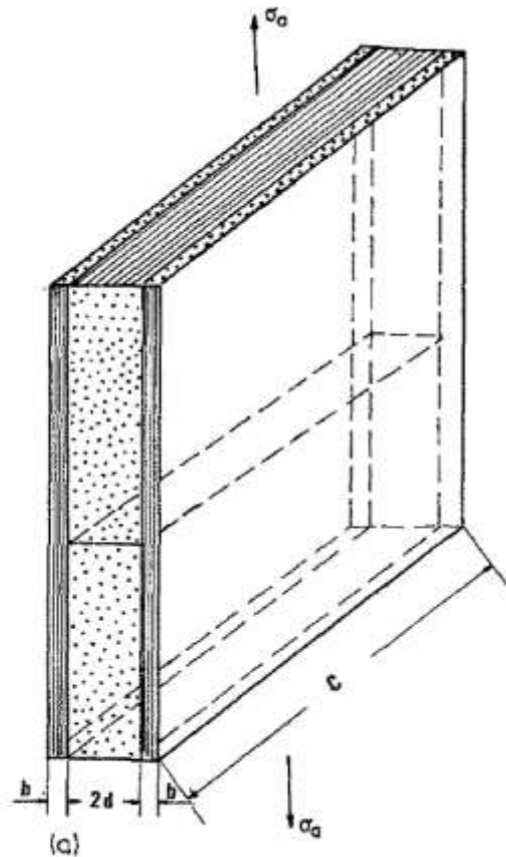
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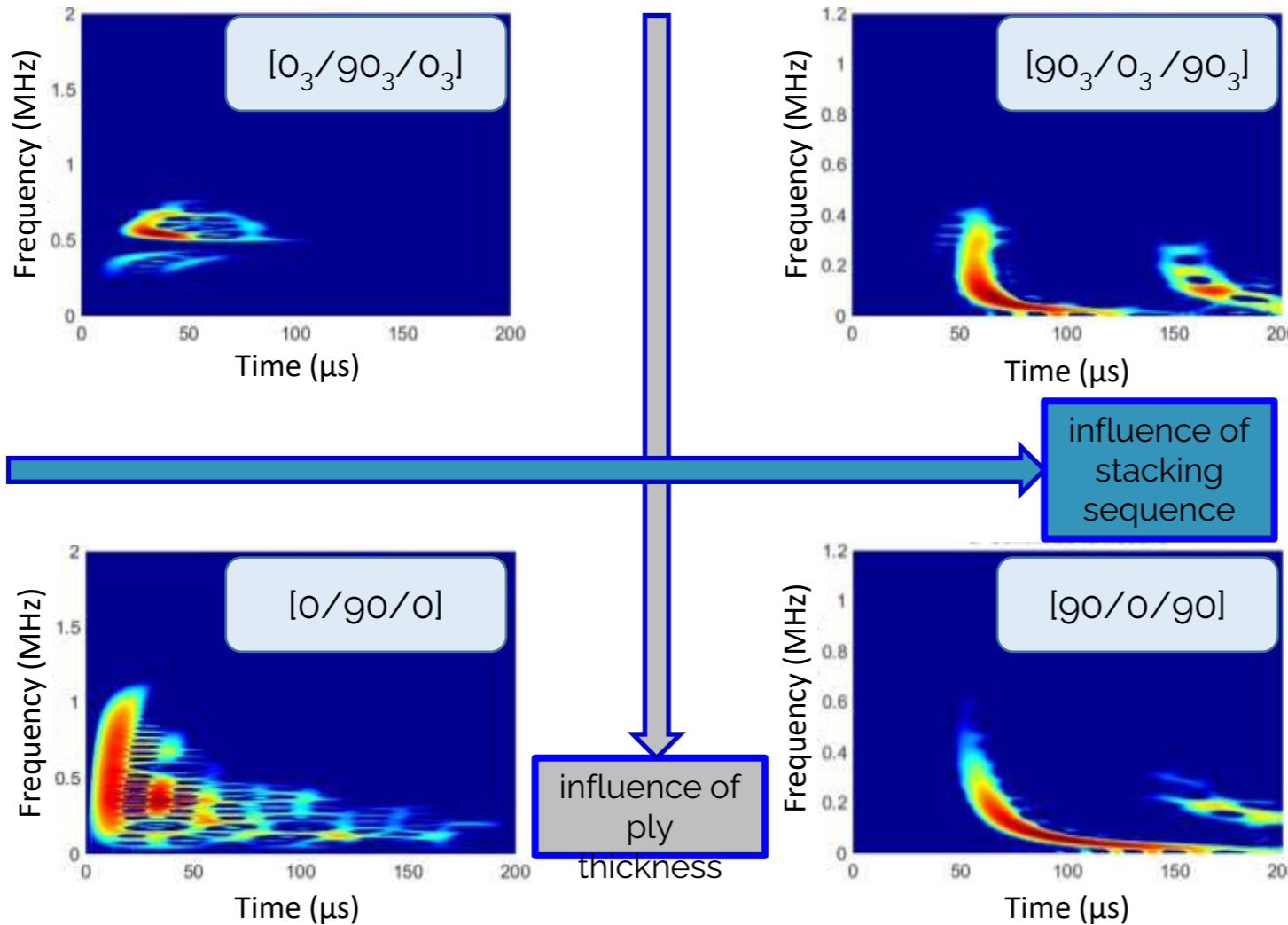
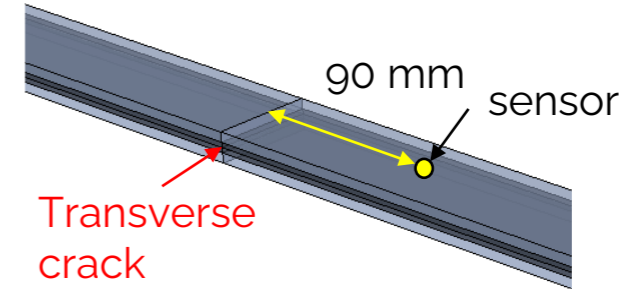
Guildford



- ❖ Thin plies: All the energy is consumed in crack initiation

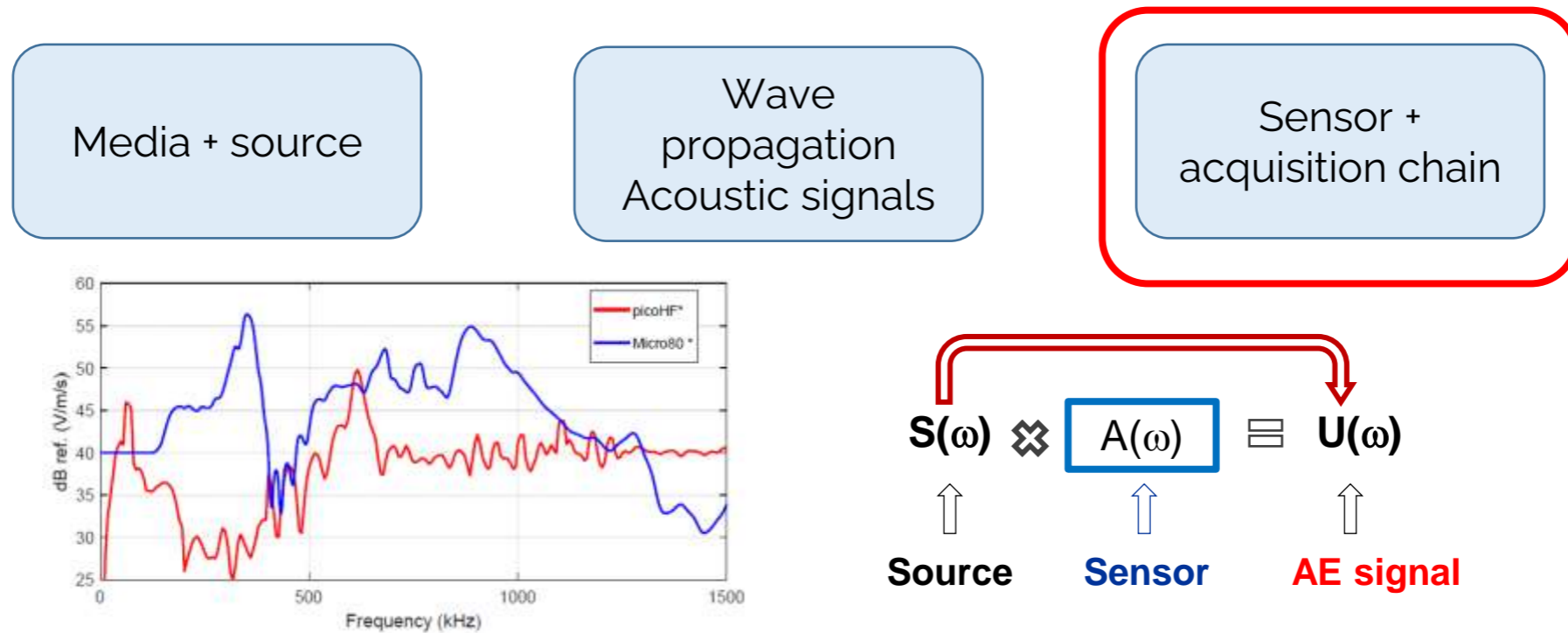
Ply thickness/Stacking sequence

- Time-frequency analysis



- Inner cracks: Higher frequency content for thinner plies
- Frequency content decrease with propagation time
- Relatively similar frequency content for outer cracks whatever the ply thickness

Preliminary comparison with experiments



Quantitative comparison between simulation and experiments not trivial

- Relation between out-of-plane velocity and the sensor tension
- Consider all acquisition chain elements
- Modeling uncertainty (source/homogeneous ply assumption, etc)
- Experimentally, isolated damage mechanism?

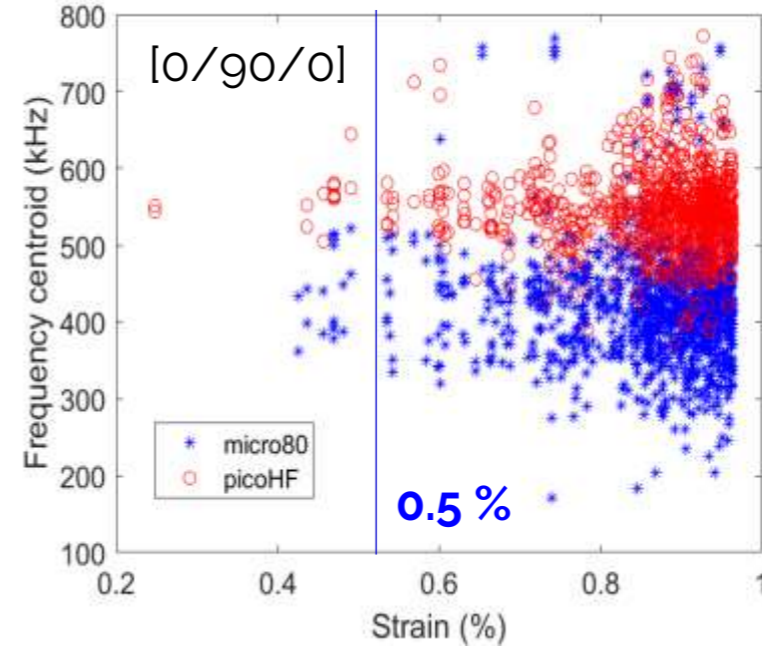
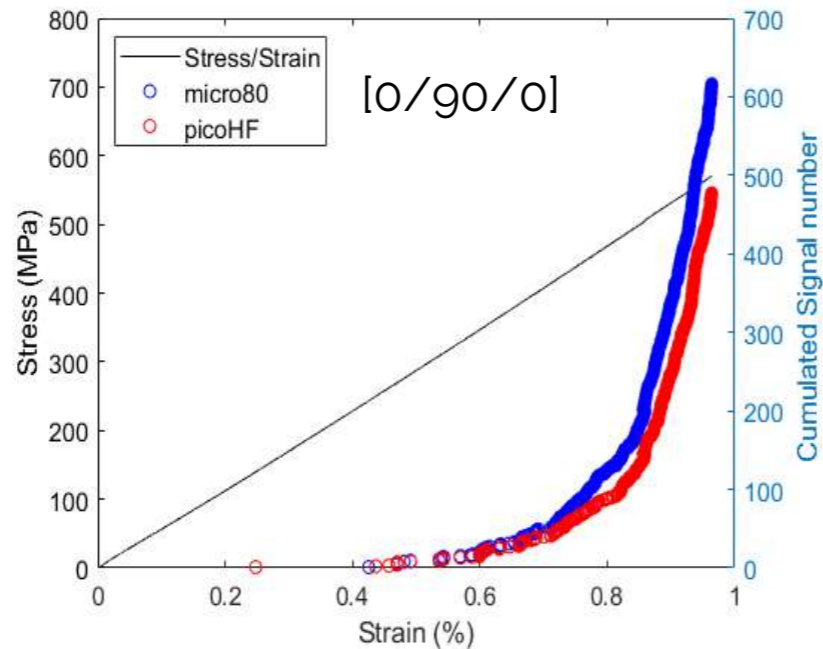
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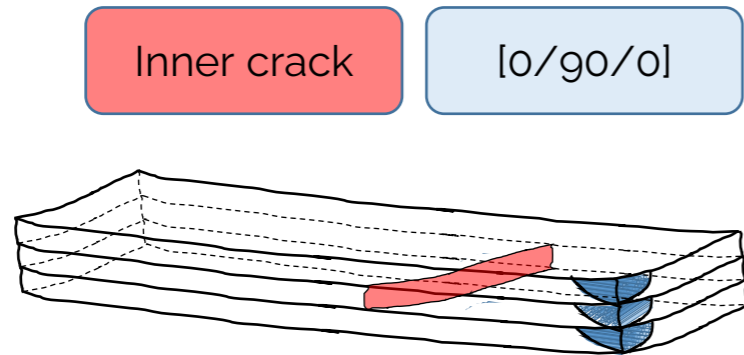
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Sensor +
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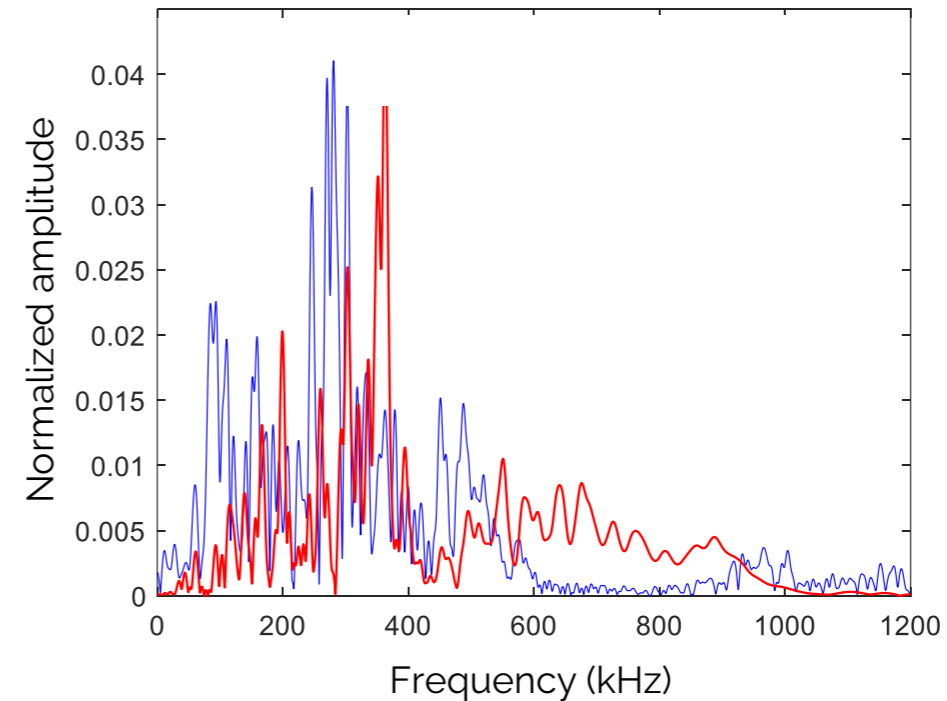
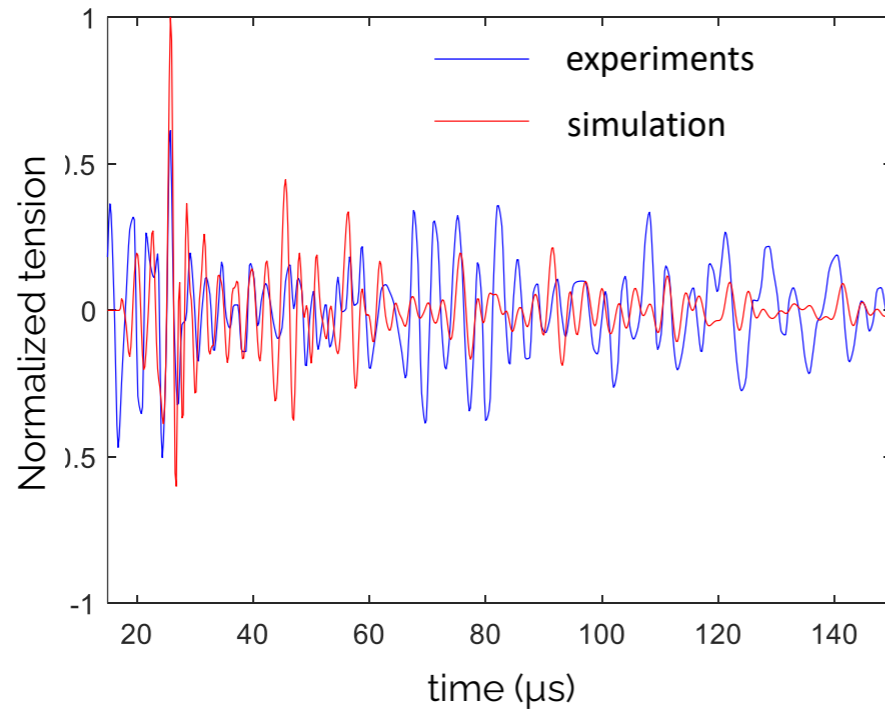
Transverse matrix
cracking



Preliminary comparison with experiments



- Micro80 sensor
- Isolated damage mechanisms experimentally?
- Uncertainties from numerical modeling: e.g. source, acquisition chain



Example of modeling uncertainty: the AE source

□ Similar qualitative trend

□ Quantitative differences

